

North Beacon Safety Connections

Open House

November 6, 2013



Tonight's Presentation

- Background and project goals
- Traffic Data
- Proposals
- Schedule
- Your questions and input

Seattle's Approach to Safety

- Safety for all road users is SDOT's number one priority
- Focus on the most vulnerable first
- Long-term goal is zero fatalities
- Safer streets are efficient streets

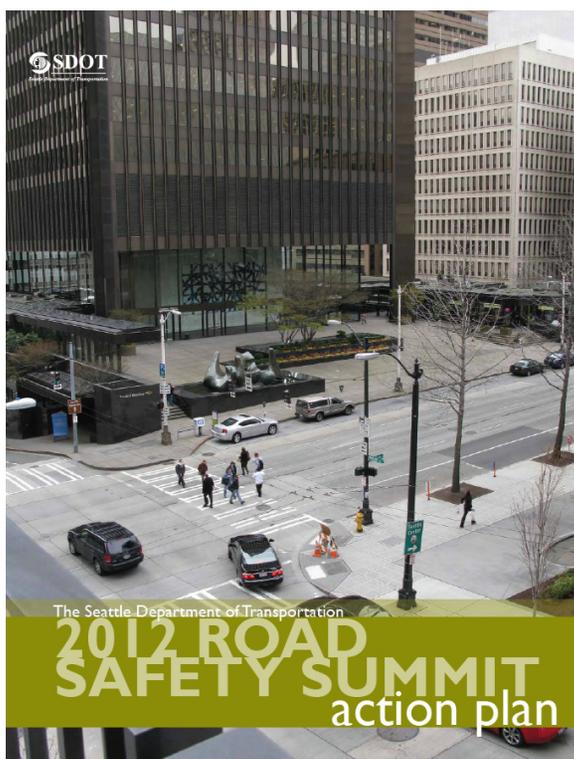


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Safety

Seattle has a goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries by 2030.

Our approach: Focus on education, environment, enforcement, evaluation, and empathy



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Building our Transportation System

- Serves the widest range of ages and abilities
- Provides options for all travel modes



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Project Goals

Improve safety for everyone

Safer walking and biking routes to school

Continuous sidewalk between Beacon Hill and SoDo

Accessibility for people walking and biking

Better connection to the Mountains to Sound Trail

Reduce neighborhood cut-through traffic

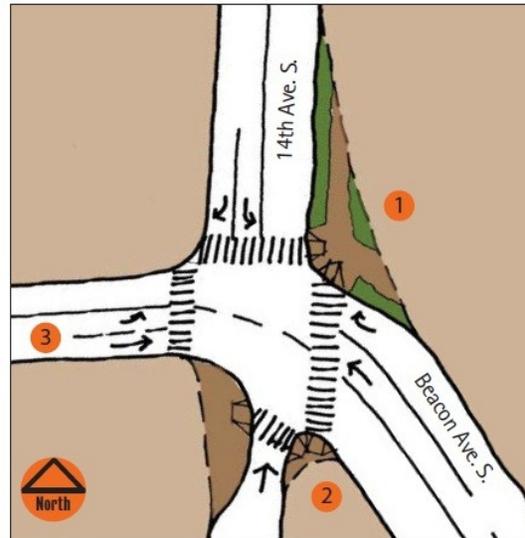
Expand options for how to get around

We Heard You!

- 2008 Southeast Transportation Study (SETS)
- 2010 Beacon BIKES Circulation Plan
- 2011 Neighborhood Plan Update: “Enhance pedestrian safety along key streets within the Urban Village”
- 2013 Neighborhood Park and Street Fund application



Existing



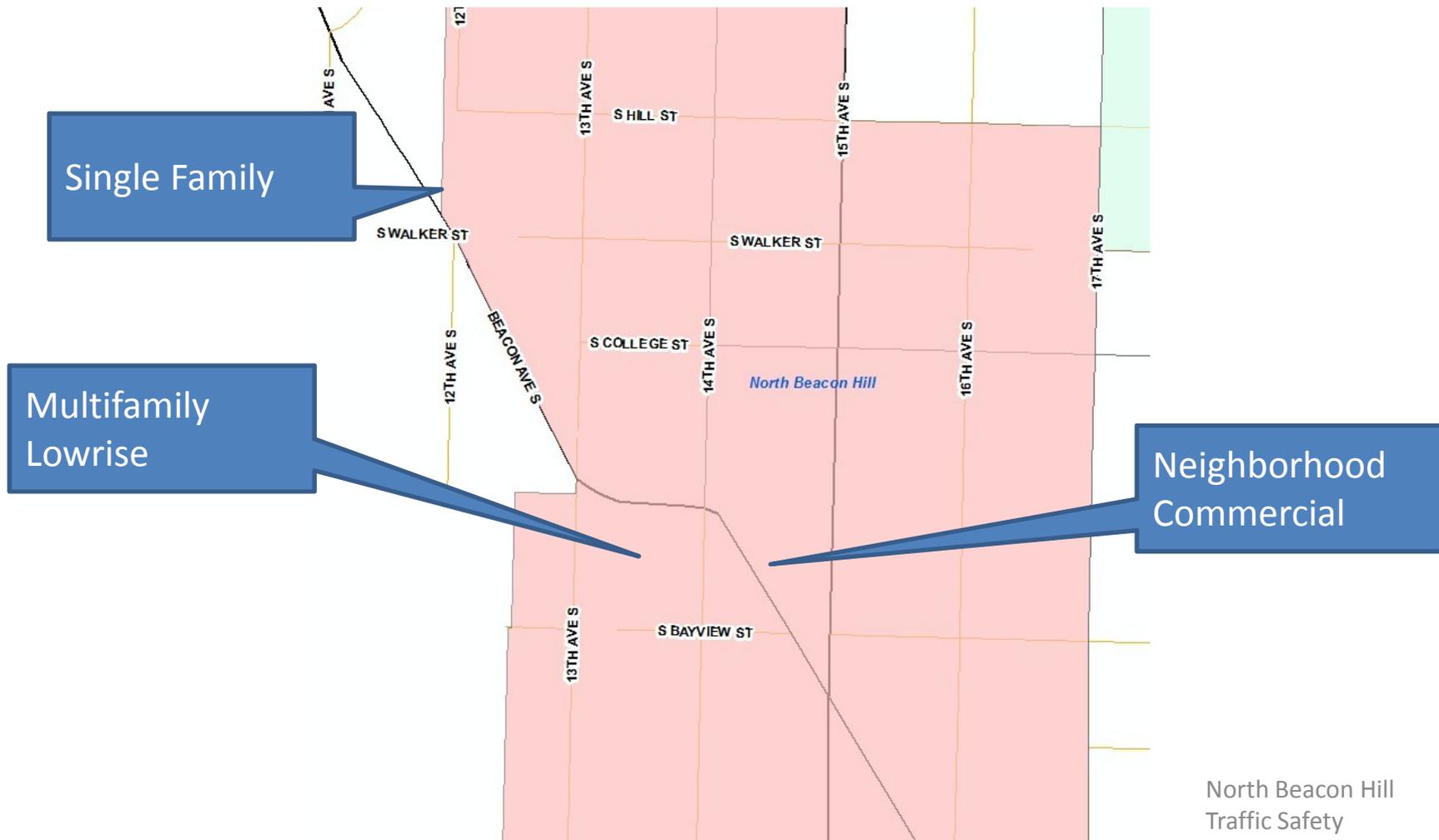
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2008 SETS plan for Beacon Ave S and 14th Ave S

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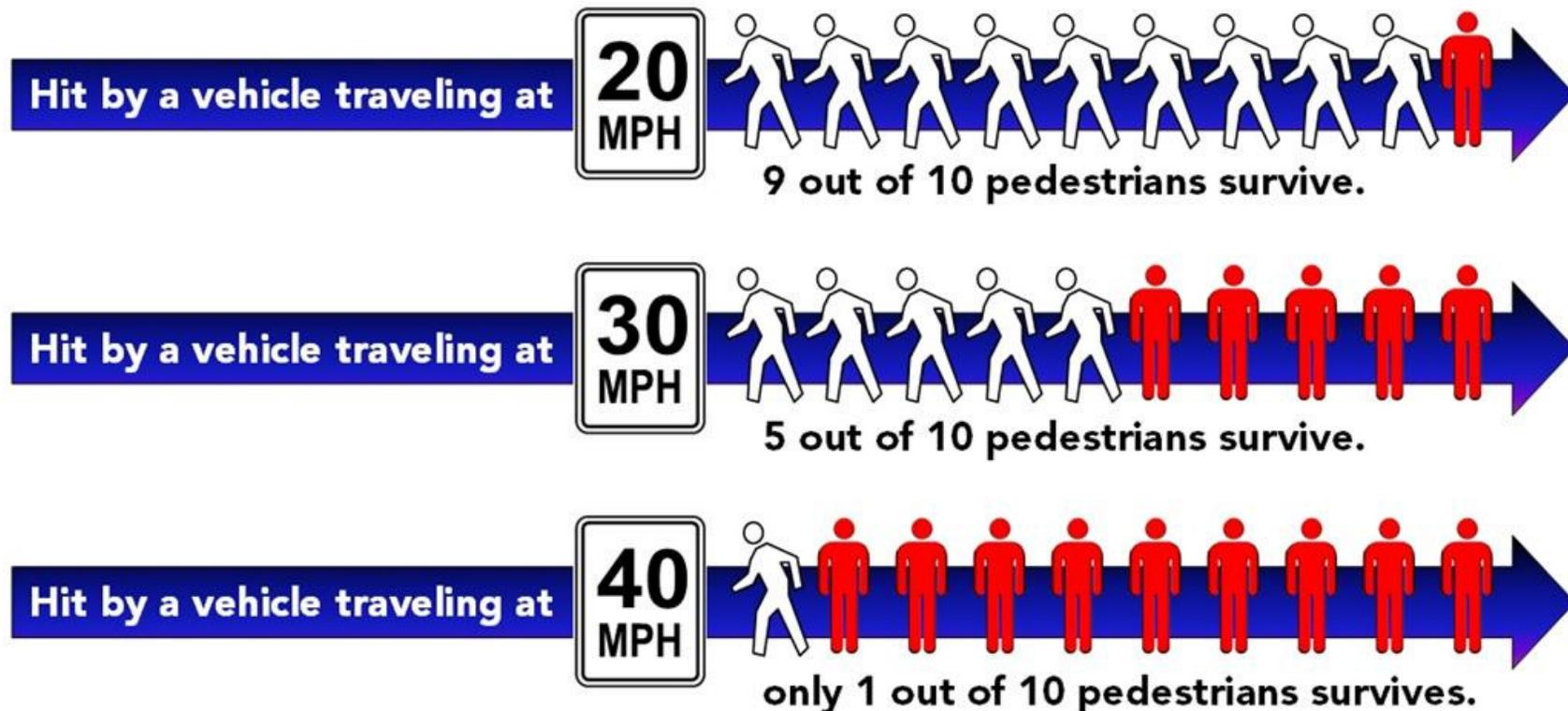
Current and Future Land Use

North Beacon Hill Urban Village



Effect of Speed on Collision Outcomes

A small reduction in vehicle speed has a large impact on traffic safety.



Proposals and Vicinity Map

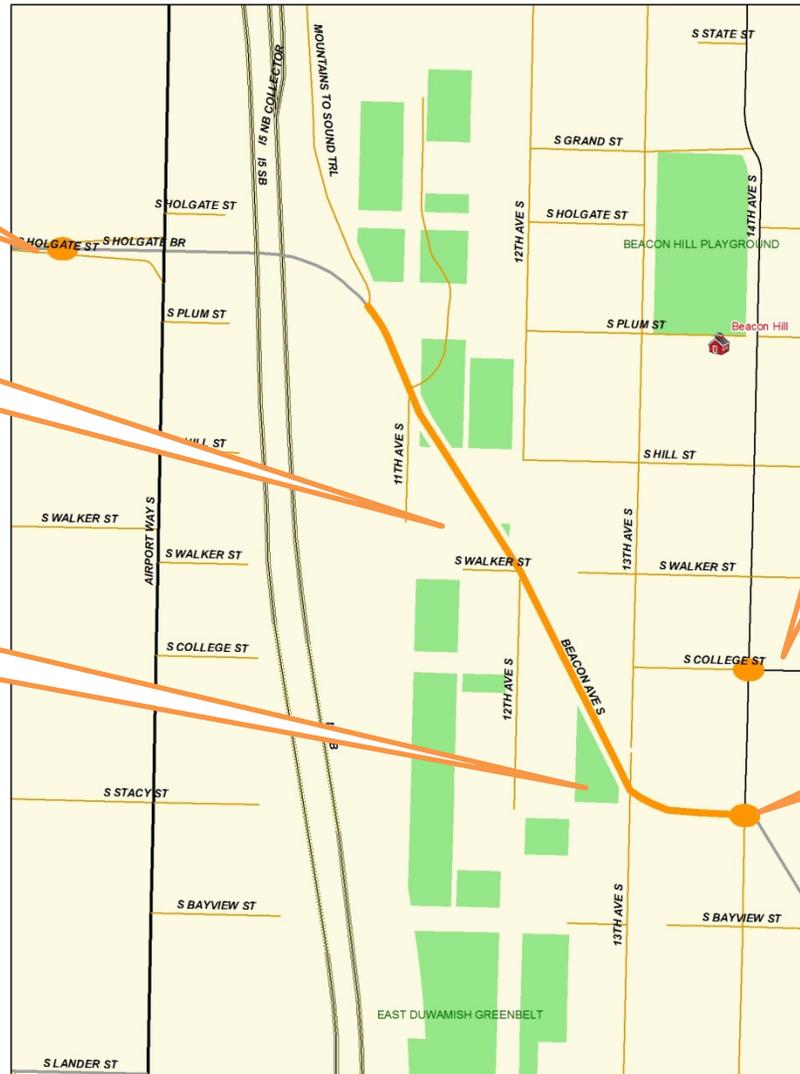
S Holgate St: Convert stairs to ramp

Beacon Ave S: New sidewalk / bicycle lane

13th Ave S & Beacon:
Permanent street closure

14th Ave S & S College:
ADA ramps and bulbs

14th Ave S & Beacon:
Realign intersection



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Current Conditions



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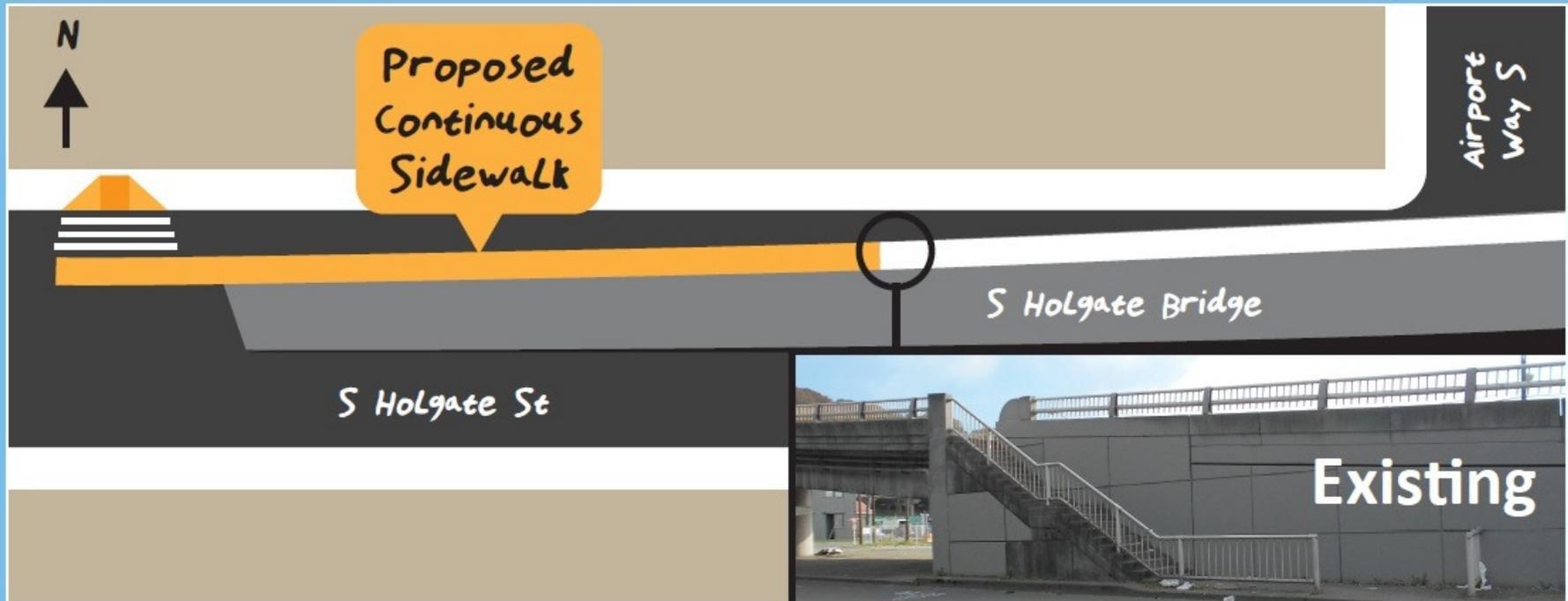
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Proposal – S Holgate St

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Proposal – Beacon Ave S Sidewalk

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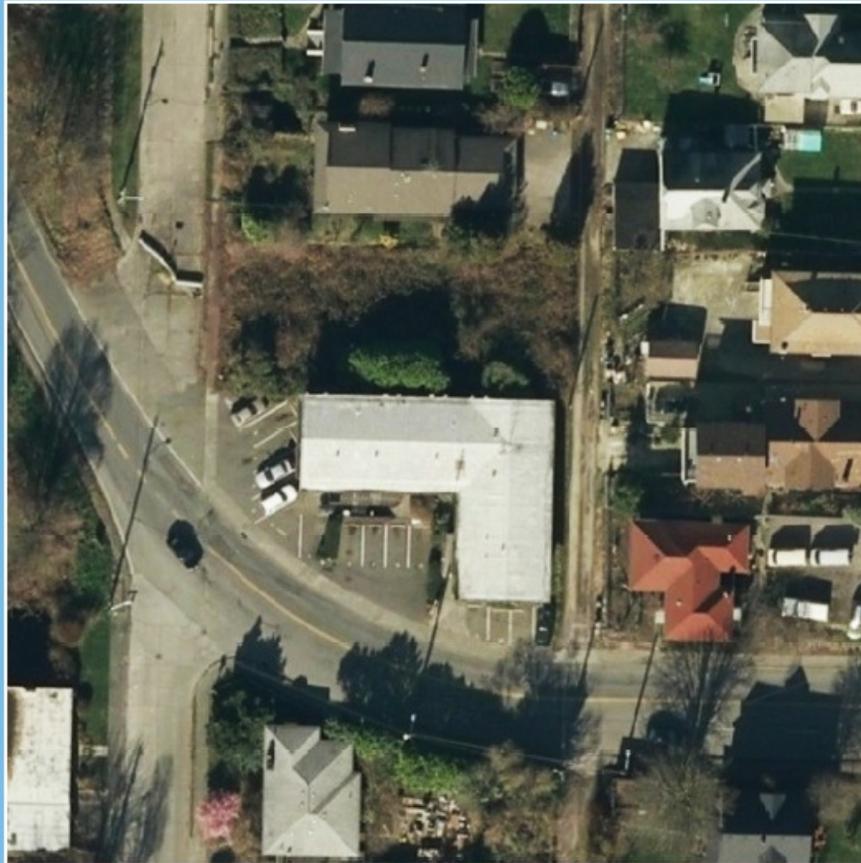
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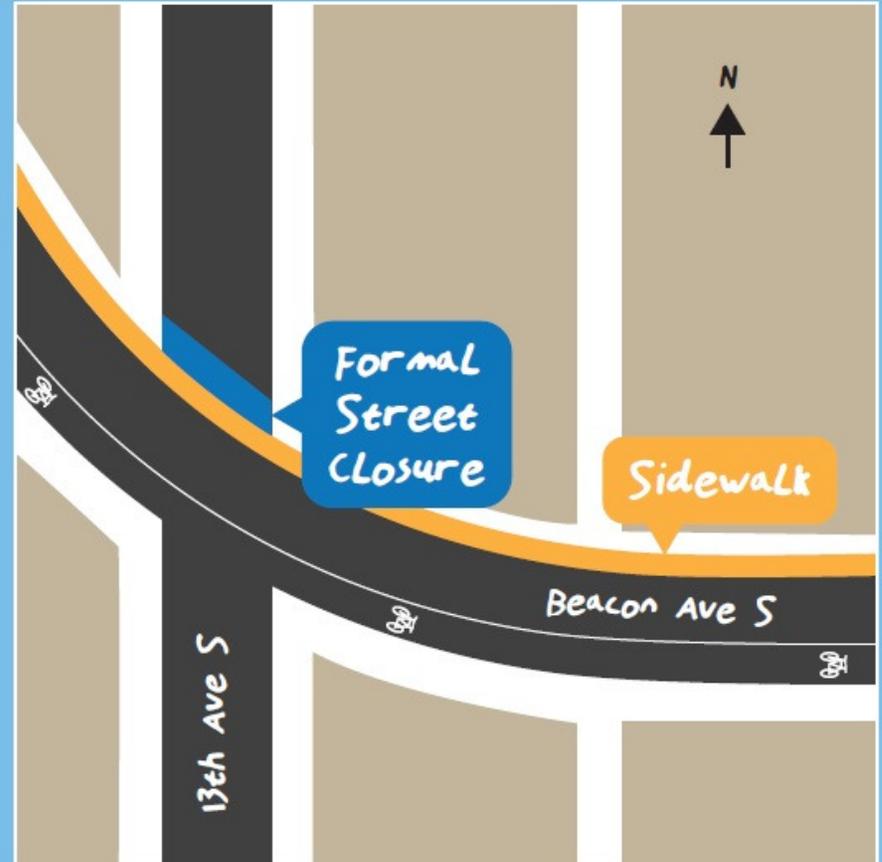
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Proposal – 13th Ave S & Beacon Ave S

Existing



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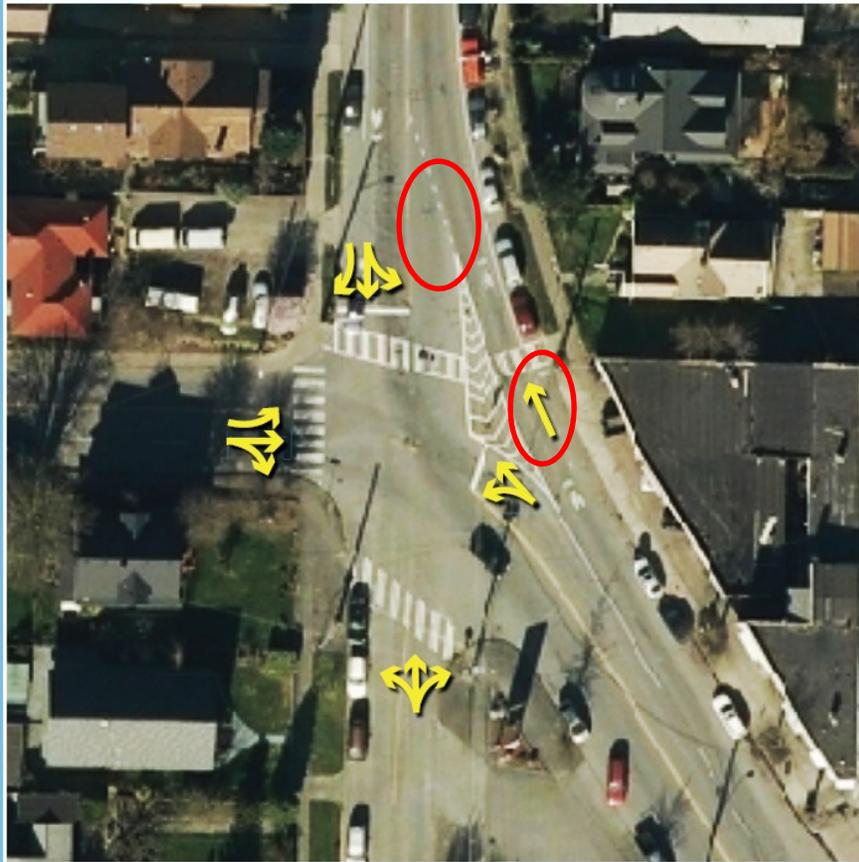
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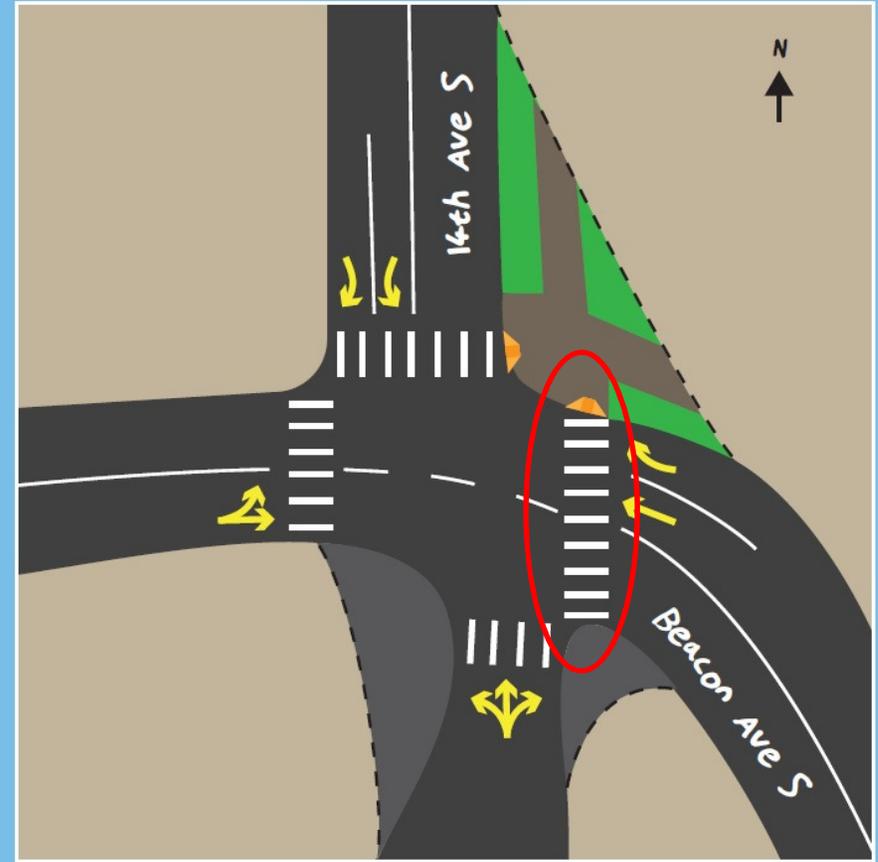
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Proposal – 14th Ave S & Beacon Ave S

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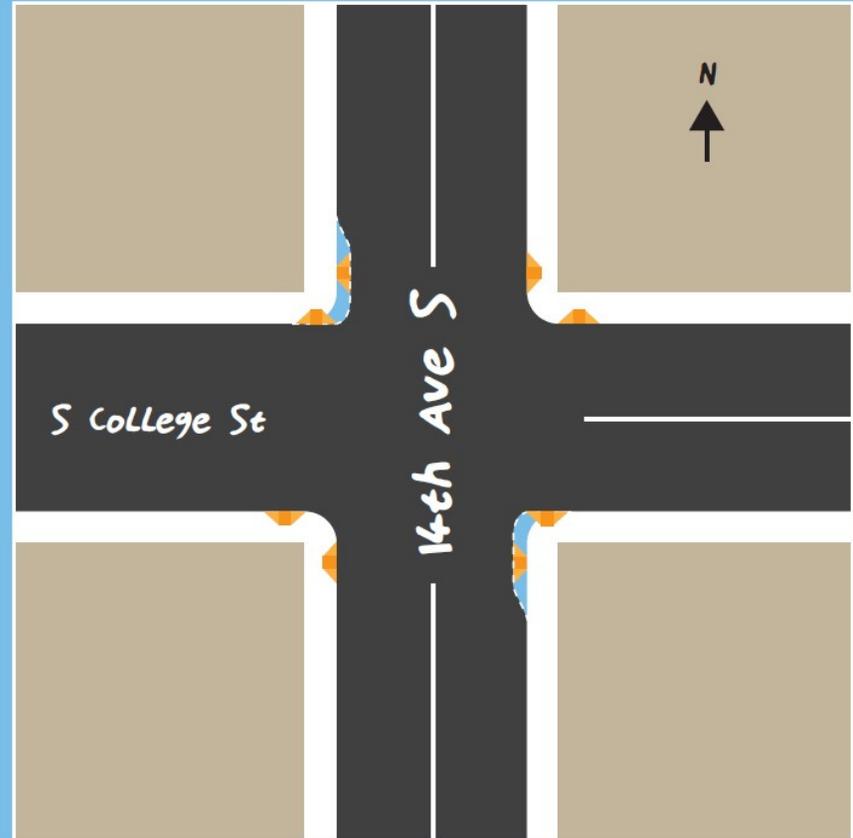


Proposal – 14th Ave S & S College St

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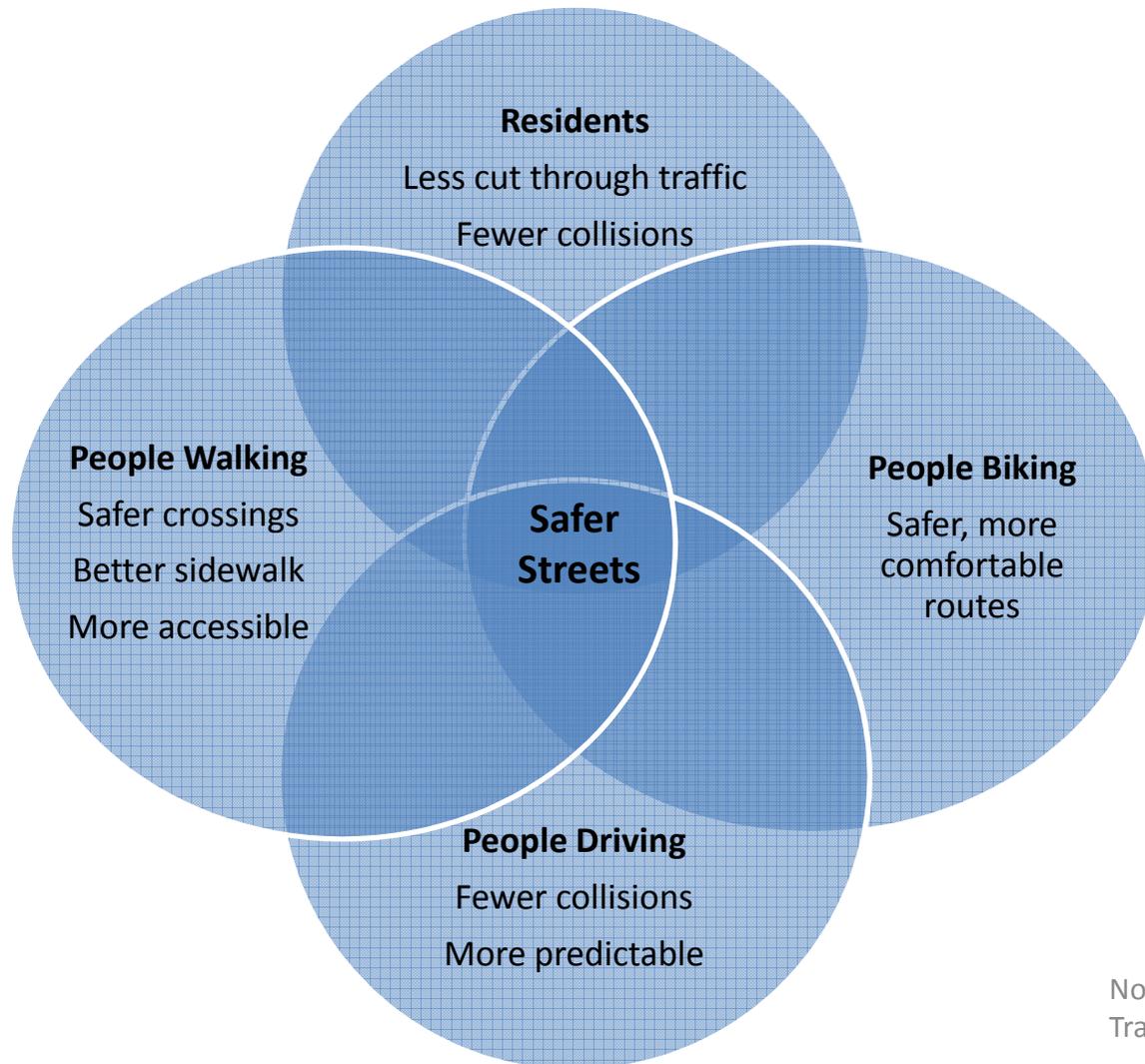
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Summary of Benefits

- Improved access to school, trail
- Ped crossings safer at Beacon and College / Beacon & 14th
- Community space and possible gateway at Beacon & 13th
- Continuous ped connection between Beacon Hill & SoDo
- Slower moving uphill bicycles do not delay vehicle traffic

Who Benefits



What's Next?

Schedule

- **November 2013: Open House**
- Winter 2013: Additional meetings (District Council, Neighborhood Council, adjacent residents and businesses)
- Spring, 2014: Final design
- Summer / Fall, 2014: Construction

Funding

- Safe Routes to School
- Sidewalk Development
- Bicycle Plan Implementation
- TIB Grant

Let's hear from you

1. How do you use these streets now?
2. What's not working well today on these streets?
3. What would you like to see in the future?
4. Do you walk or bike on the Mountains to Sound Trail?
5. What changes would make North Beacon Hill safer for everyone?