

#### Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program

# Cranbury Bicycle Network Plan July 2020





#### Agenda

- Background
- Introductions
- Complete Streets Overview
- Bicycle Network Plan Overview
- Draft Proposal Review
- Questions and Next Steps

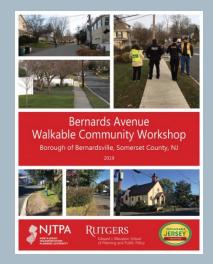


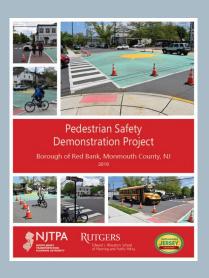


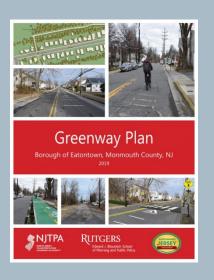


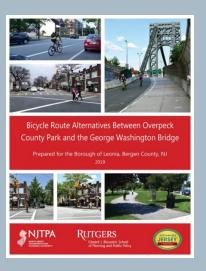
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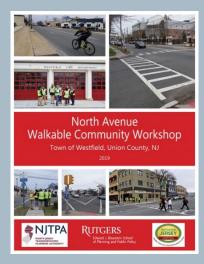
- NJTPA Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program
- 9 communities in 2019
- 8 communities in 2020















#### Introductions

- How long have you lived in Cranbury?
- How often do you bike around town?
- What barriers to bicycling do you encounter?







# Complete Streets Overview





#### What is a Complete Street?

#### Complete streets are for everyone!

- Pedestrians
- Bicyclists
- Motorists
- Freight
- Public Transit Users







# A Complete Street...

- Offers many travel choices
- Connects to a wider network
- Is fully accessible to all
- Varies according to context
- Improves safety for all









#### Benefits of Implementation

- Promote healthy lifestyles
- Provides important connections
- Create more livable communities
- Reduces traffic congestion
- Reduce reliance on fuel
- Makes fiscal sense







#### Building a Place You Want

- Design affects what we do and how we do it (and how happy we are doing it)
- Build for cars.......you get cars
- Build for people...
  .....you get people









### Building a Place You Want

 Would you bicycle with your kids here?

What about here?









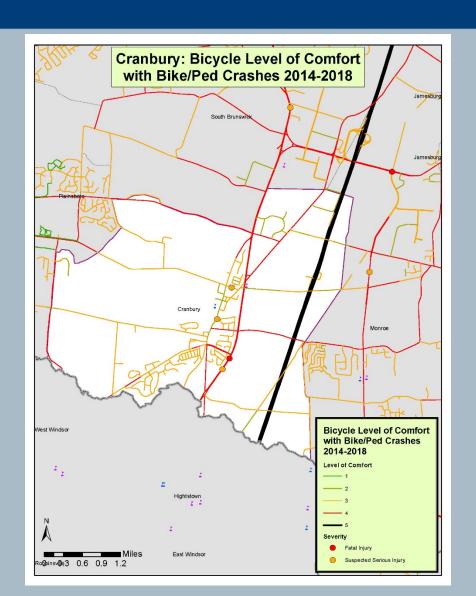
#### Who bicycles?

- 1% of population is **strong and fearless**. Will ride anywhere, regardless of conditions.
- 5% 10% are <u>enthused and confident</u>. Fairly comfortable on most roads, but prefers multi-use pathways and low traffic streets.
- 60% are <u>interested but concerned</u>. Most comfortable on multi-use pathways and quiet streets away from cars. Can become enthused and confident with improved facilities, encouragement, education, and experience.
- Approximately 30% are <u>not interested</u> in cycling regardless of the infrastructure.





#### What is a Bicycle Network Plan?







#### What is a Bicycle Network Plan?

- Bicycle network plans enables all those who want to bicycle to do so safely.
  - Especially the "interested but concerned"
- Provides connections between neighborhoods and destinations such as:
  - Work, school, transit, shops,
     recreation, health care, services

Trip distance in miles			
Mileage	Percent	Cumulative Percent	
1 mile or less	28	28	
1.1 - 2 miles	13	40	
2.1 - 3 miles	9	50	
3.1 - 4 miles	6	56	
4.1 - 5 miles	7	63	
>5 miles	37	100	





#### Components of a Bicycle Network Plan

- Shows what kind of facilities work best for each individual road segment
  - Taking into account: road width, speed limit, parking uses, and unique circumstances
- A good bicycle network is...

Convenient Comfortable

Continuous Intuitive

Connected Safe

Complete Visible



For ALL ages and abilities





# Bicycle Infrastructure Fundamentals





#### Bicycles

#### Design for bicycle should focus on:







# Shared-Lane Markings (Sharrows)









# Super Sharrow









#### Bicycle Boulevard

- For quiet residential streets
- Combined with traffic calming









#### Bicycle Lane







- 4-feet minimum by curb
- 5-feet standard
- 6-feet preferred

- 7-feet for contra-flow
- Buffer, even better!





#### Protected Bicycle Lane

- 5 feet bike lane + 3 feet buffer minimum
- Not optimal if there are many driveways or close intersections
- Need to think about loading areas, bus stops, and turning vehicles











#### Bicycle Path

- Two-way
- Minimum 8-feet, preferred 10-feet, best 12-feet+
- Best with minimal intersections and driveways





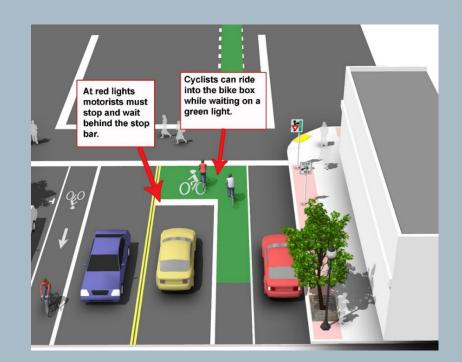






#### Other Bicycle Infrastructure

- Bicycle box at intersections
- Bike signal
- Bike parking









# Cranbury Draft Concepts

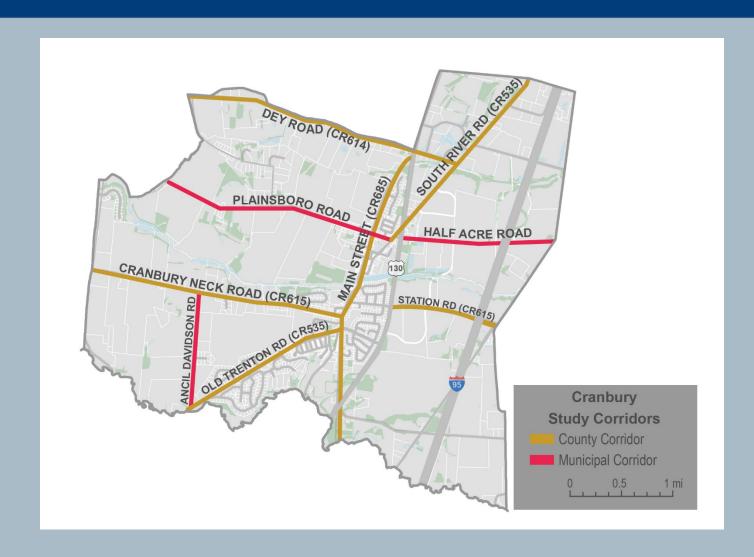




#### Study Area

- Ancil Davidson Road
- Cranbury Neck Road (CR615)
- Dey Road (CR614)
- Half Acre Road
- Main Street (CR685)
- Old Trenton Road (CR535)
- Plainsboro Road
- South River Road (CR535)
- Station Road (CR615)







- Connects Cranbury Neck Road and Old Trenton Road
- Access to farms and nursery

Speed Limit	50mph	High	
Daily Vehicles	2,900 Low		
Width	24 feet	Narrow	
Land Use	Farm and Open Space		
Owner	Cranbury		

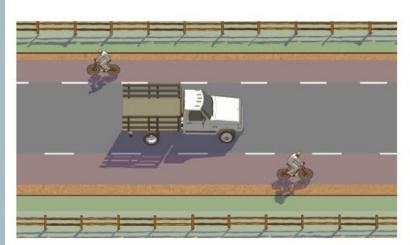




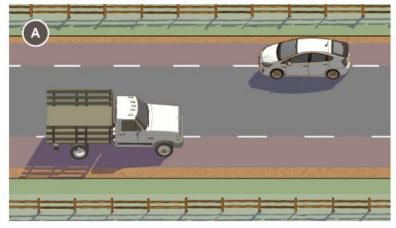




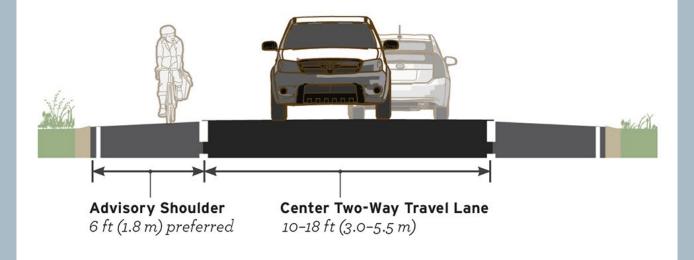




**Figure 2-10.** Motorists travel in the center two-way travel lane. When passing a bicyclist, no lane change is necessary.



**Figure 2-11.** When two motor vehicles meet, motorists may need to encroach into the advisory shoulder space.













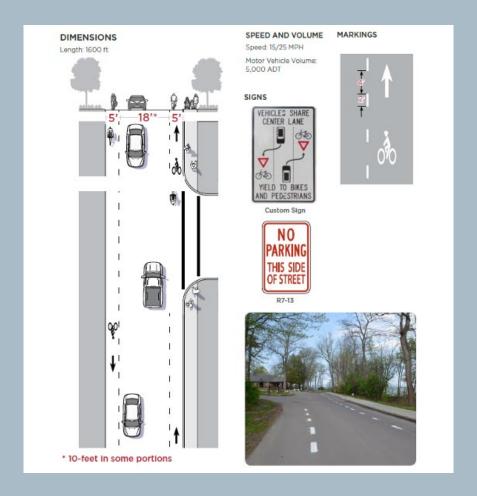
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**Proposed Design** 









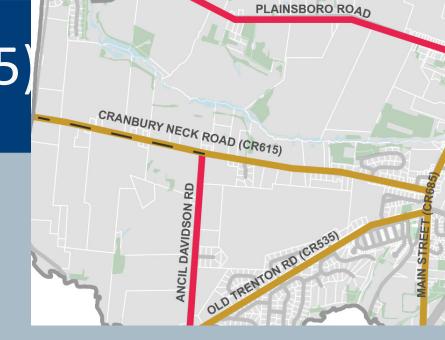






- Connects Main Street and downtown Cranbury to West Windsor
- Starts rural
- Ends residential

From John White Rd. to Ancil Davidson Rd.				
Speed Limit	50mph High			
Daily Vehicles	3,195	Low		
Width	24 feet	Narrow		
Land Use	Farm and Open Space			
Owner	County			

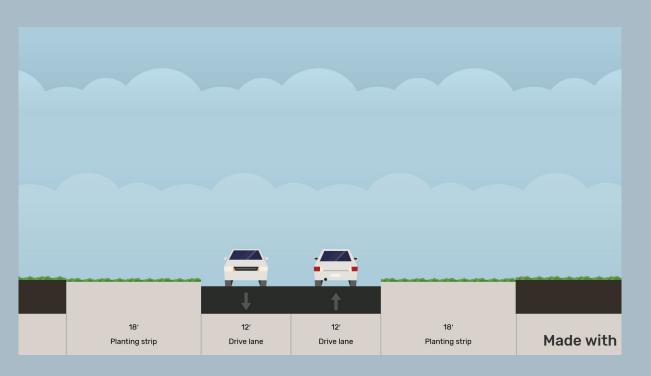














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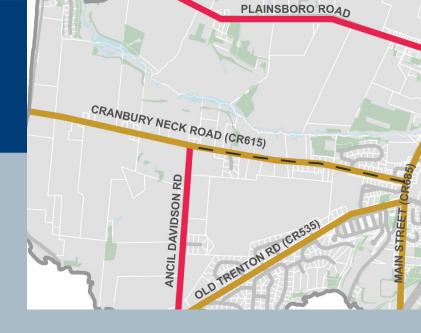


Character of the road changes to residential

From Ancil Davidson Road to Main Street				
Speed Limit	25-35mph Low			
Daily Vehicles	3,195	Low		
Width	24 feet	Narrow		
Land Use	Residential			
Owner	County			

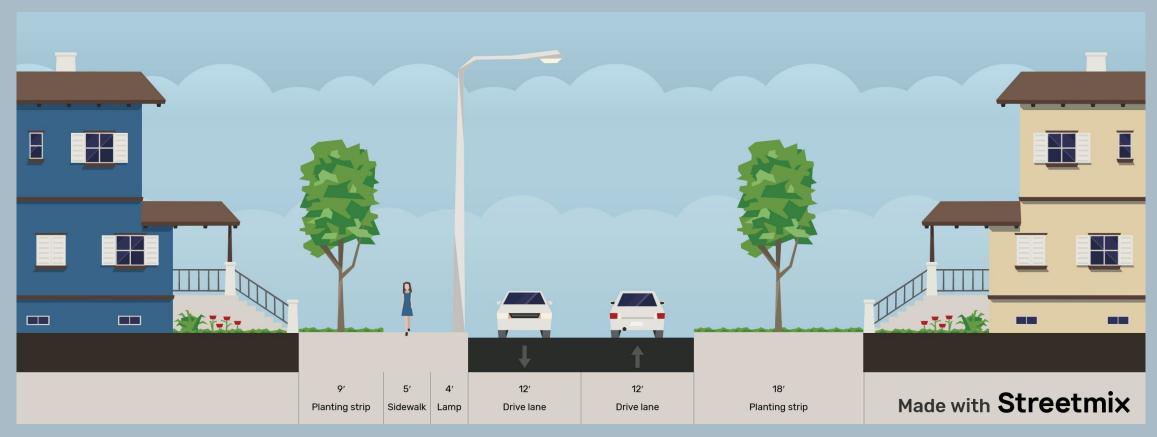














**Existing Design** 









**Proposed Design** 



#### Half Acre Road

- Key access to major distribution centers from Route 130
- Lane configuration changes frequently

Between Route 130 and Bloom Drive				
Speed Limit	Not Posted ???			
Daily Vehicles	8,028	Medium		
Width	50 feet	Wide		
Land Use	Industrial			
Owner	Cranbury			

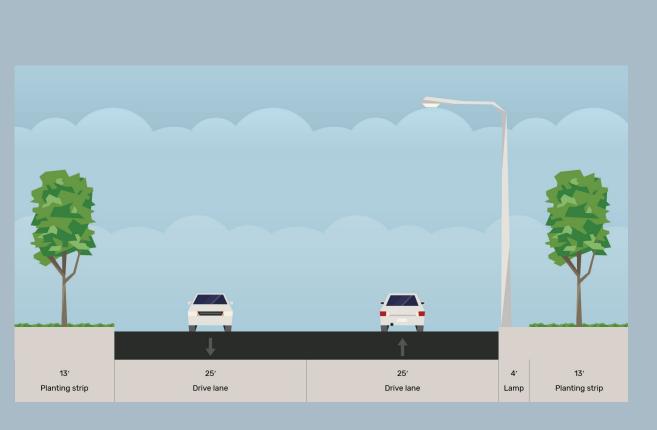
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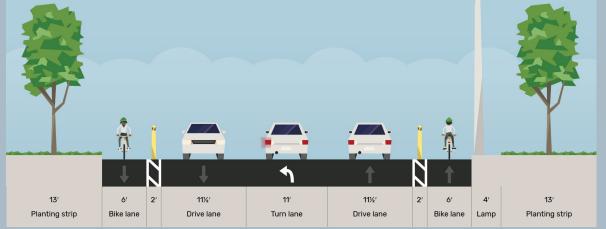








#### **Proposed Design**



**Proposed Design at Intersection** 

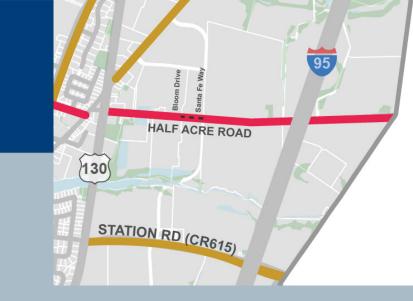


 Half Ace Road widens to 4 lanes between Bloom Drive and Santa Fe Way

Between Bloom Dr and Santa Fe Way		
Speed Limit	Not Posted	???
Daily Vehicles	8,028	Medium
Width	62 feet	Very Wide
Land Use	Industrial	
Owner	Cranbury	

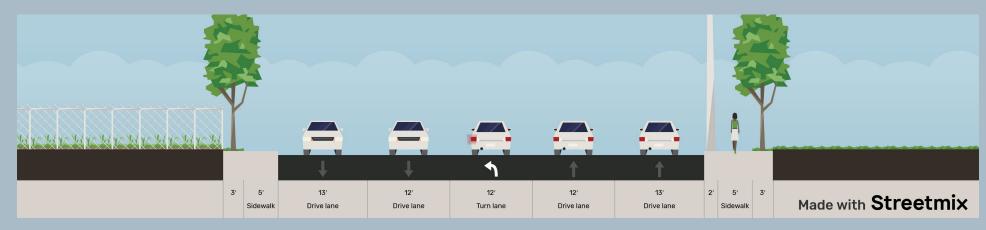




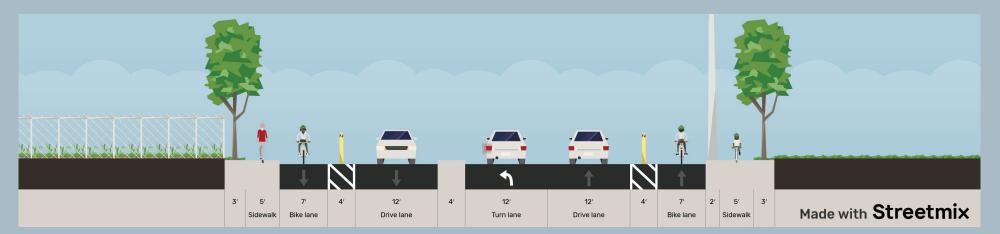








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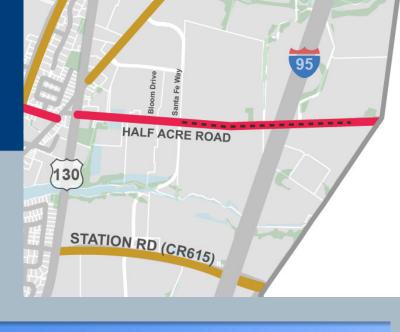






- Bridge over New Jersey Turnpike is constraint point
- Half Ace Road narrows then widens

Between Santa Fe Way and NJ Turnpike			
Speed Limit	Not Posted	???	
Daily Vehicles	8,028 Medium		
Width	36 feet Average		
Land Use	Industrial		
Owner	Turnpike Authority		













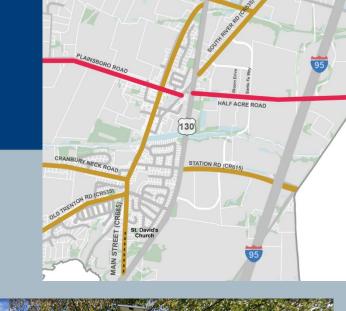






- Heart of Cranbury
- Connects into Route 130 at both ends

From Route 130 to St David's Church		
Speed Limit	40mph	High
Daily Vehicles	2,611 Low	
Width	26 feet Narrow	
Land Use	Farm and Residential	
Owner	County Route 685	

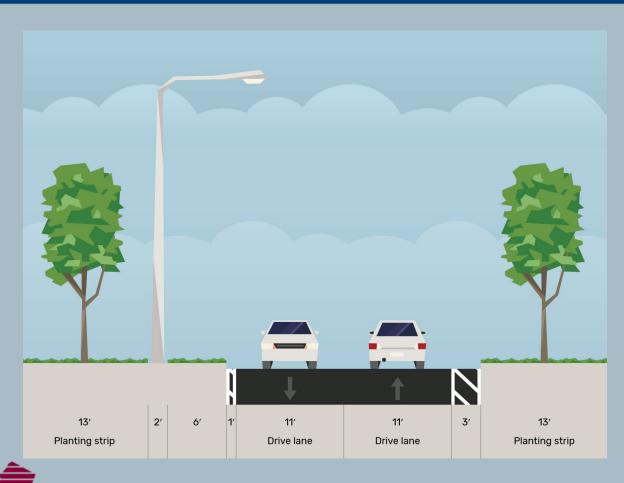




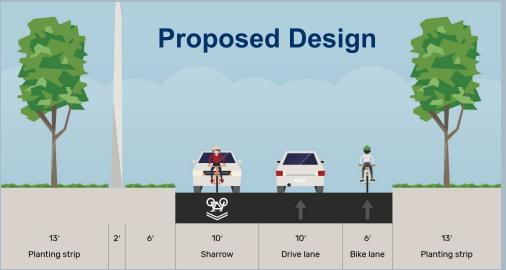














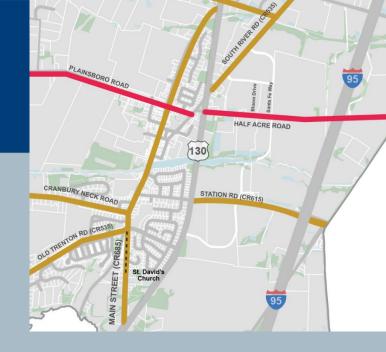


- Road widens to allow parking
- New residential development

From St. David's Church to Old Trenton Road		
Speed Limit	40mph	High
Daily Vehicles	2,611 Low	
Width	38 feet Narrow	
Land Use	Residential	
Owner	County Route 685	

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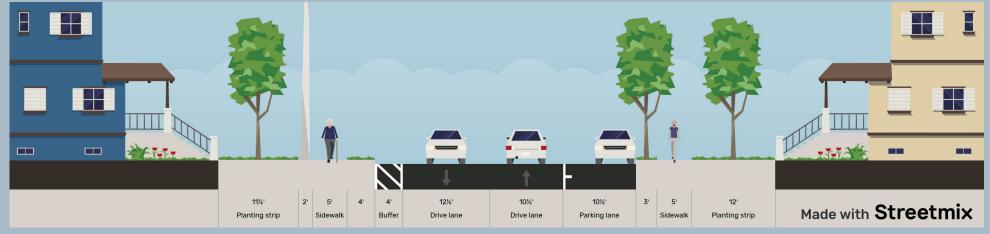












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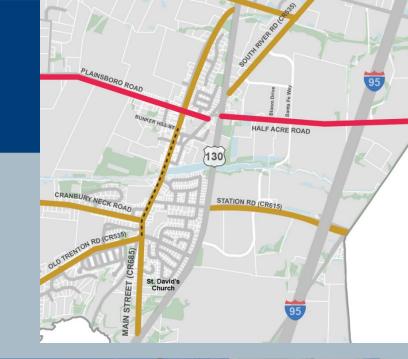


- Downtown area
- Commercial and civic services

From Old Trenton Road to Bunker Hill Street				
Speed Limit	25mph	Low		
Daily Vehicles	-			
Width	48 feet	Wide		
Land Use	Commercial			
Owner	County Route 685			

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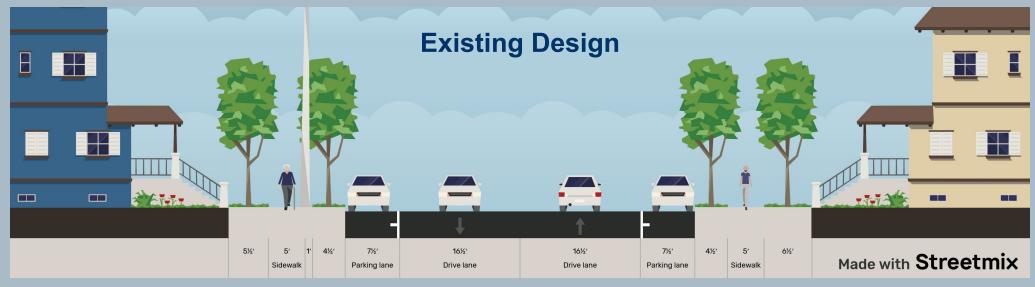


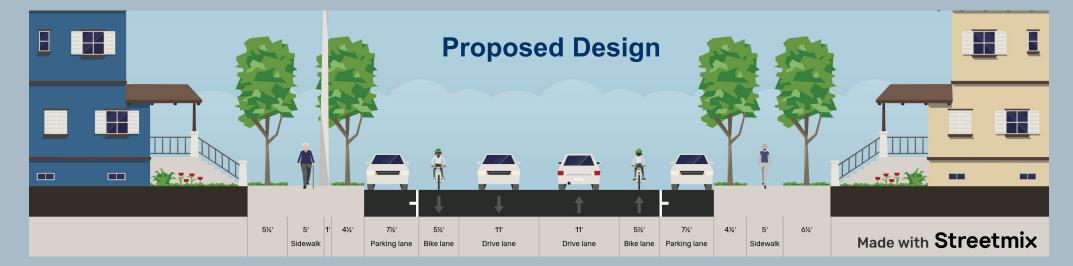














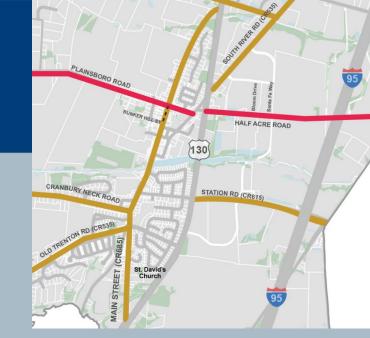


Back to residential

From Bunker Hill Street to Plainsboro Road			
Speed Limit	25mph	Low	
Daily Vehicles	-		
Width	40 feet Average		
Land Use	Residential		
Owner	County Route 685		









#### Main Street

Planting strip



Parking lane

Sidewalk

13'

Planting strip

Made with **Streetmix** 



Drive lane

Parking lane

Drive lane

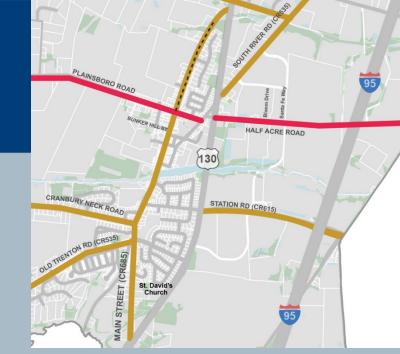


• Exiting town towards Route 130

From Plainsboro Road to Route 130		
Speed Limit	25mph – 40mph	Low
Daily Vehicles	-	
Width	28 feet	Average
Land Use	Residential	
Owner	Municipal	

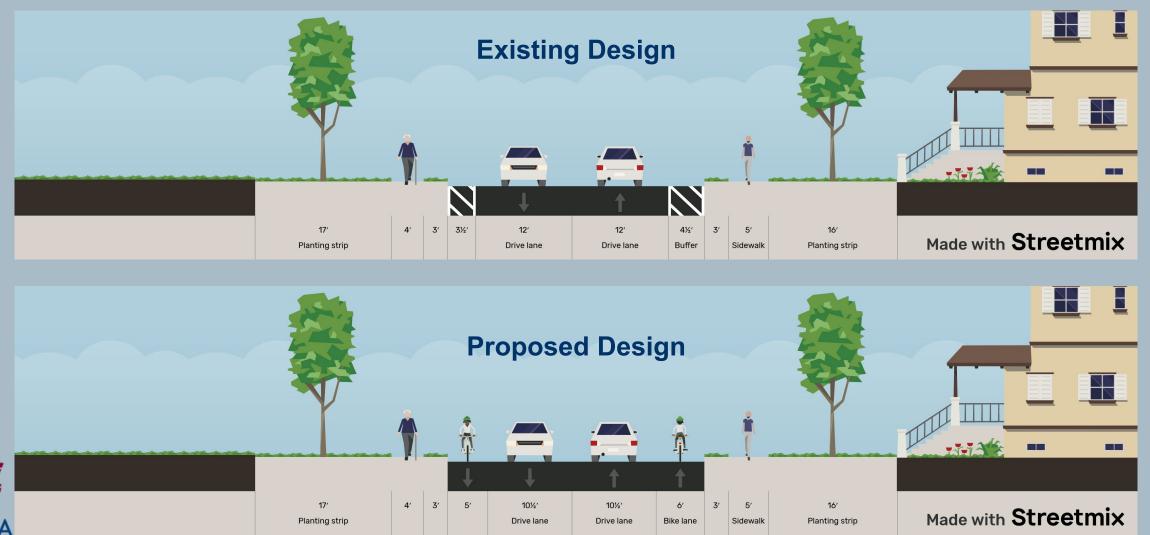














# Old Trenton Road

- Runs south through West Windsor into Trenton
- Ends at Route 130

From Ancil Davidson Road to Main Street		
Speed Limit	35mph	Medium
Daily Vehicles	6,859	Medium
Width	54 feet	Average
Land Use	Residential	
Owner	County	









### **Old Trenton Road**











- Connects Cranbury with Plainsboro Township
- Access to Route 1

From town line to Petty Road		
Speed Limit	45mph	Low
Daily Vehicles	5,531	Medium
Width	24 feet	Average
Land Use	Open Space	
Owner	Municipal	















Speed limit decreases to 40mph

From Petty Road to Wheatfield Road		
Speed Limit	40mph	Low
Daily Vehicles	5,531	Medium
Width	24 feet	Average
Land Use	Open Space	
Owner	Municipal	









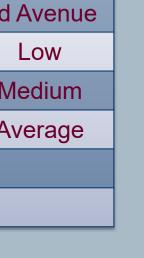






- Entering village center
- Residential character

From Wheatfield Road to Maplewood Avenue			
Speed Limit	25mph	Low	
Daily Vehicles	5,531	Medium	
Width	24 feet	Average	
Land Use	Residential		
Owner	Municipal		



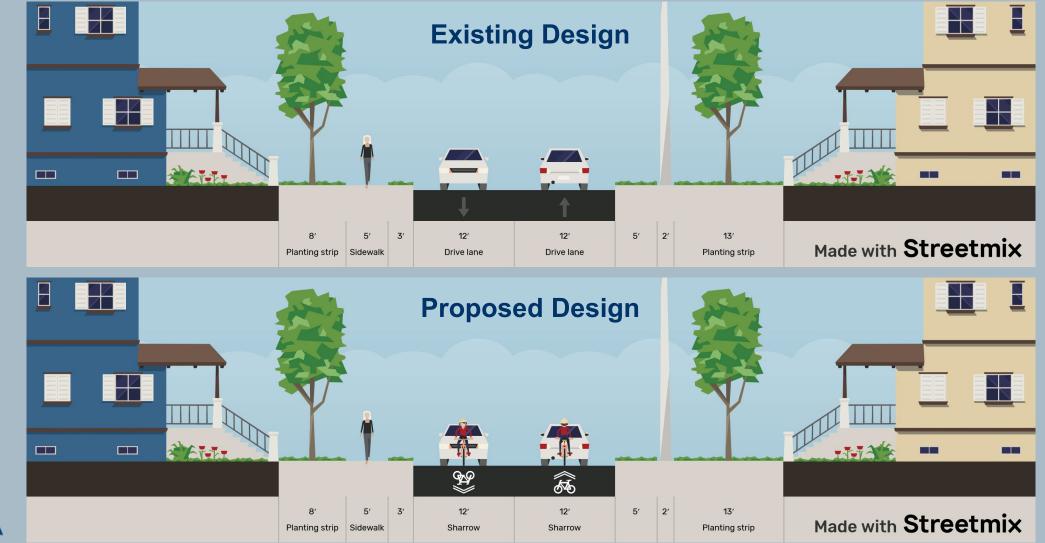
























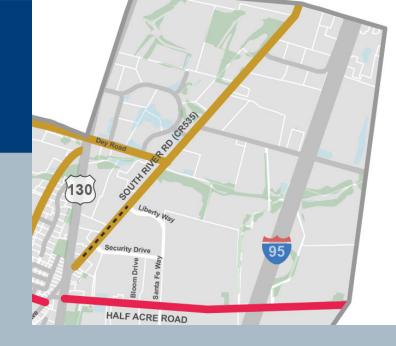


- Connects Route 130 and distribution centers to NJ Turnpike access
- High traffic volumes
- Heavy truck traffic

From Route 130 to Liberty Way			
Speed Limit	50mph	High	
Daily Vehicles	22,591	High	
Width	60 feet	Wide	
Land Use	Industrial		
Owner	County		

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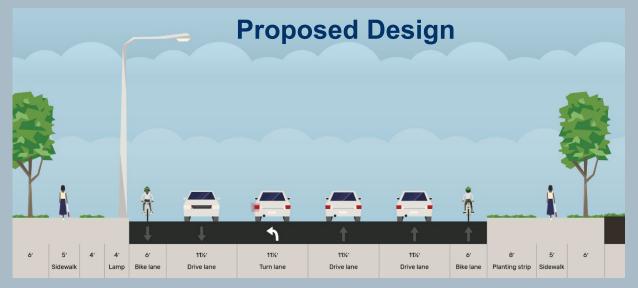
















Widens to 4 lanes and center turn lane

From Liberty Way to 1246 South River Road			
Speed Limit	50mph	High	
Daily Vehicles	22,591	High	
Width	75 feet	Very Wide	
Land Use	Industrial		
Owner	County		















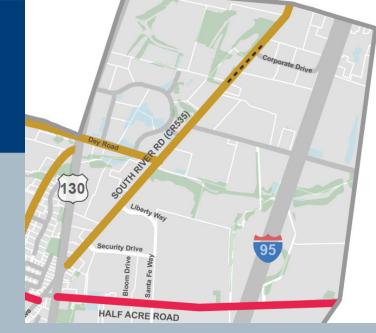


Roadway starts to narrow again

From 1246 South River Road to Corporate Dr.		
Speed Limit	50mph	High
Daily Vehicles	22,591	High
Width	56 feet	Very Wide
Land Use	Industrial	
Owner	County	

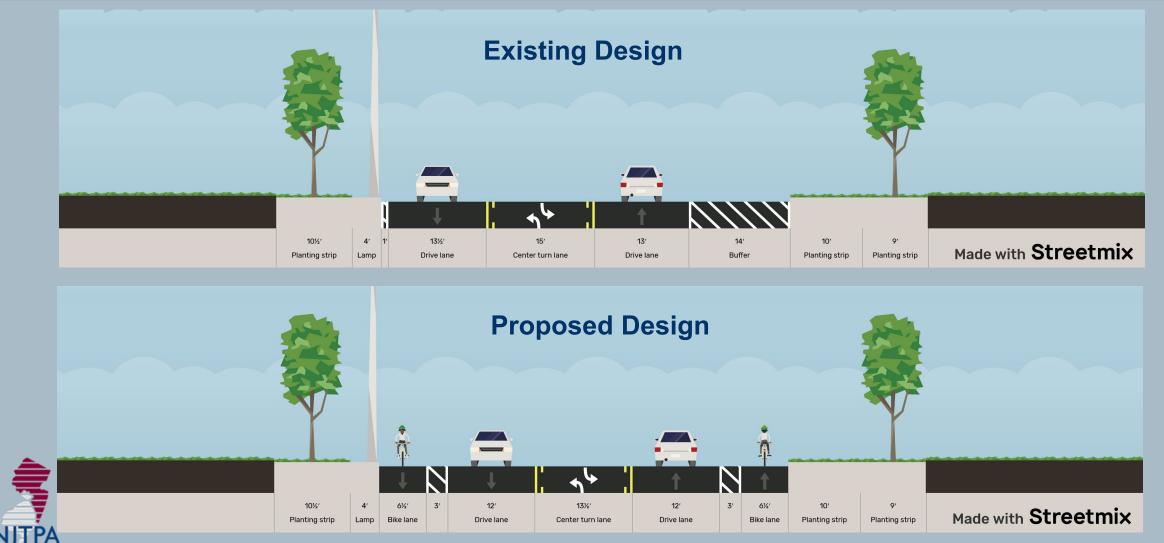














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Comments due by July 13, 2020



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