

CITY SAFETY PLAN

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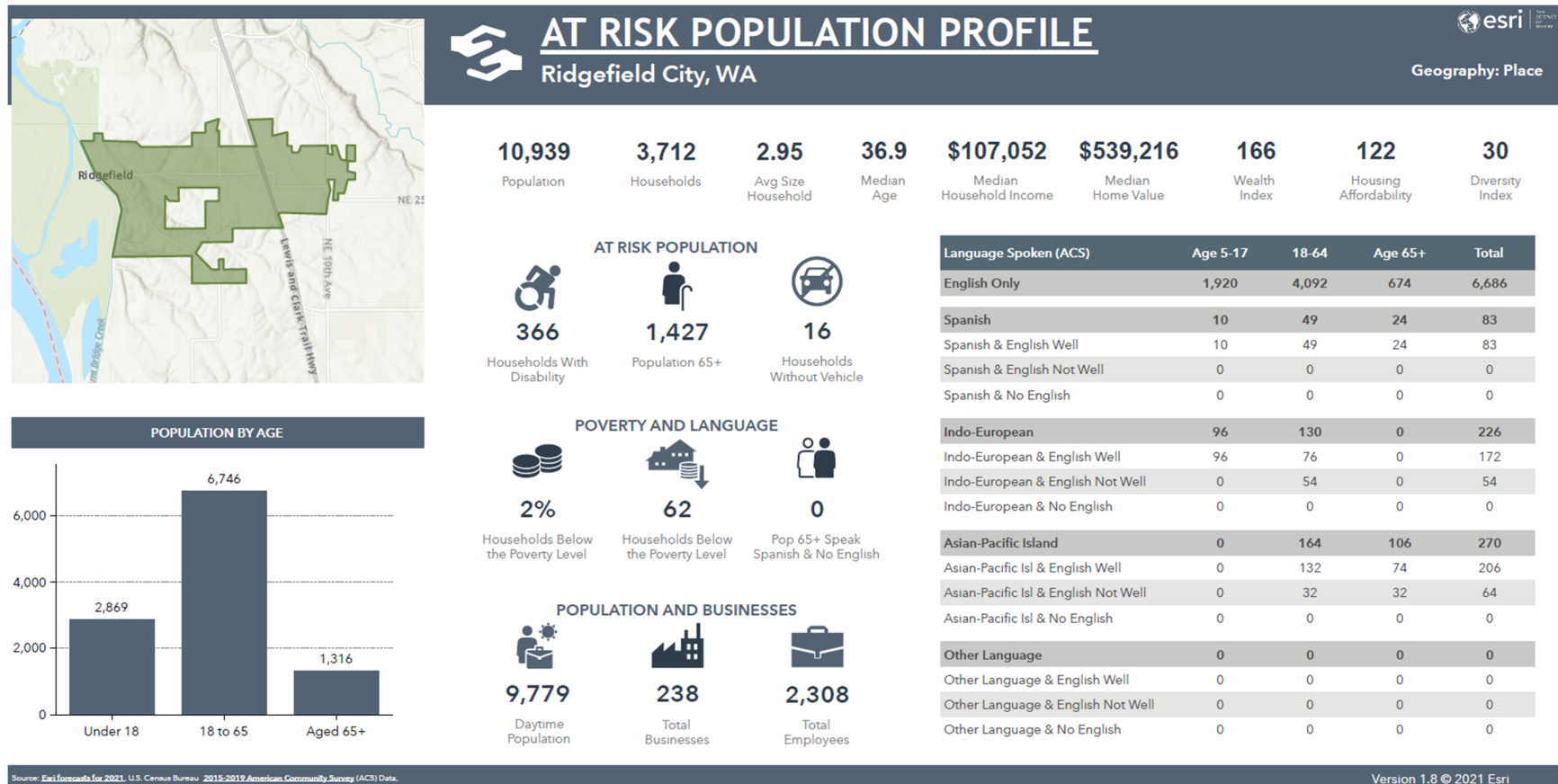
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INTRODUCTION

The City of Ridgefield is located in the northeastern portion of Clark County and east of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. Ridgefield is home to approximately 11,000 residents with more than 230 businesses within the city limits. The following 'At Risk Population Profile' provides key population and equity statistics based on 2021 data.¹



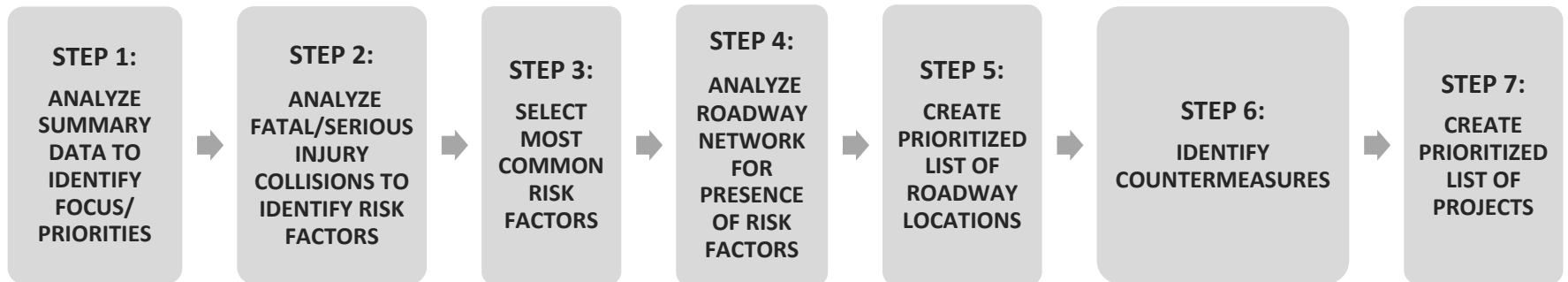
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CITY SAFETY PLAN PROCESS

The purpose of the City Road Safety Plan is to analyze crash data from within the city in order to effectively identify trends, contributing factors, associated risk factors and deficiencies present in the City's road network. Following this approach allows for the effective identification of appropriate, low-cost countermeasures to be implemented for the purpose of crash reduction. The correlation of crash trends to the associated contributing factors, risk factors, and roadway deficiencies supports efficiency in identifying the need for crash reduction strategies as well as the implementation of specific infrastructure-based countermeasures for the purpose of reducing the risk of crashes resulting in serious injuries or fatalities.

The following plan includes a summary of existing safety conditions in Ridgefield, identification of safety needs, and recommended treatments to address high-priority collision types and locations.

The sections below describe the process of collecting and analyzing available data and identifying safety needs from that analysis.



The data used and process followed are consistent with WSDOT’s guidelines from the 2022 City Safety Program. The recommended safety countermeasures are limited to infrastructure-based treatments eligible for one or more of the following grant programs:²

- WSDOT grant programs: City Safety, Safe Routes to School, Bicycle-Pedestrian, and Railway-Highway Grade Crossings
- Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grants, including Complete Streets
- Several RTC grants

Appendix A, Safety Countermeasure Toolbox, includes a description of each treatment, when it should be used, estimated costs, and crash modification factor.

The sections below describe the process of collecting and analyzing available data and identifying safety needs from that analysis.

STEP 1: ANALYZE SUMMARY DATA TO IDENTIFY FOCUS/PRIORITIES

The study team worked with the City of Ridgefield, Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council (RTC), and WSDOT Transportation Data to acquire the following data sets.

- WSDOT database of all collisions on City of Ridgefield streets, Jan 2016 - Dec 2020 (provided by WSDOT Transportation Data)
- City of Ridgefield Citizen Feedback (provided by Brenda Howell, City of Ridgefield)

The study team reviewed the quality and accuracy of the data sets, communicated with WSDOT on discrepancies, and solicited and received the desired data from the State.

² Additional details regarding available grant programs are available in Appendix B, Grant Programs.

DATA ANALYSIS OVERVIEW

As illustrated in Figure 1, over the past five years, there were a total of four fatal or serious injury collisions on City-owned roads. During the five-year study period, there was one fatal collision that occurred in 2020. It involved the driver departing the roadway at the intersection of S Timm Road and S 11th Street.

The number of all reported collisions (regardless of severity) has ranged between 20 and 30, as shown in Figure 2. In the most recent year of data available, 2020, the city experienced 28 reported crashes. The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic response and associated travel patterns likely had a significant influence on crash frequency and severity in 2020.

Figure 3 shows the heat map of fatal and serious injury collisions over the five-year study period. Figure 4 provides a heat map of all reported collisions that occurred on City-owned streets in Ridgefield during the study period.

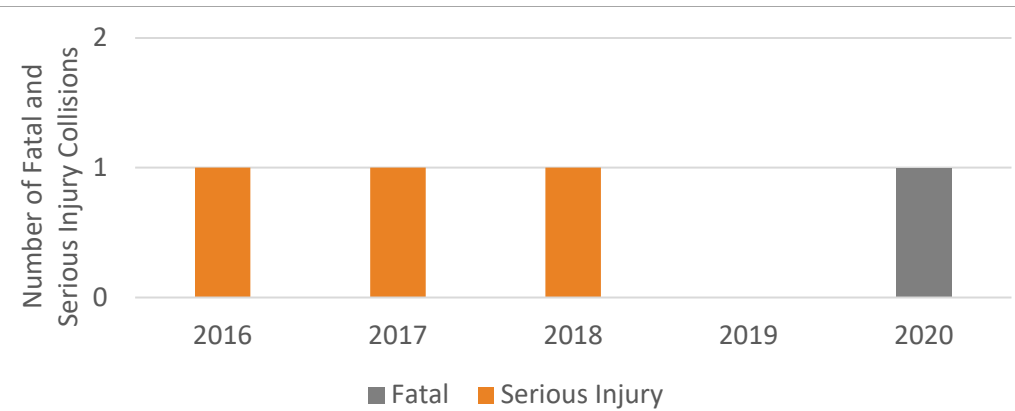


Figure 1. Fatal and Serious Injury Collisions in Ridgefield, 2016-2020.

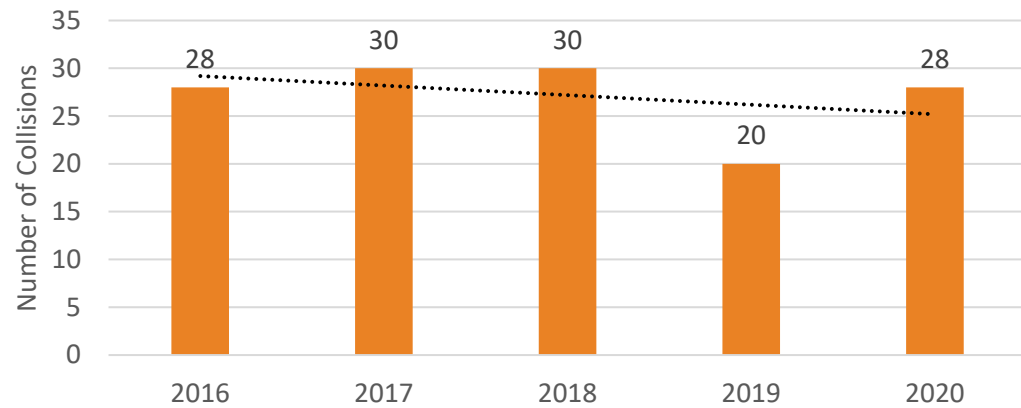


Figure 2. All Reported Collisions in Ridgefield, 2016-2020.

CITIZEN FEEDBACK

Citizens of the city are an important source for traffic safety concerns. They have a vested interest in keeping travel safe for themselves and their families, and they bring their first-hand experience. In particular, citizens sometimes identify issues occurring at night and on weekends that agency staff may not identify during typical daytime reviews.

The City of Ridgefield provided a history of transportation safety-related citizen requests made over the past few years. Survey responses related to safety concerns were mapped out on the Ridgefield Roundtable city website, as shown in Figure 5.³

Of the 42 survey responses reviewed, most focused on the following topics:



Pedestrian Safety

- Students walking to and from school, including safety on roads adjacent to the schools during drop-off and pick-up.
- Request for sidewalk infill along roads that currently do not have pedestrian facilities.
- Request for new bike lanes on roads that currently do not have them and to fill gaps to connect existing bike routes.
- Request for enhanced pedestrian crossings.
- Request for improved pedestrian and bicycle facilities near schools, neighborhoods, and connections to downtown Ridgefield.



High Vehicle Speeds

- Request for change to posted speed limit, road design, and speed limit enforcement to encourage slower speeds.

The following locations in the city were most commonly noted in citizen feedback:

Intersections:

- S Hillhurst Road & S 6th Way
- S Hillhurst Road & S Oak Road

Corridors:

- Pioneer Street
- S Hillhurst Road
- Royle Road
- N Pioneer Canyon Drive
- S 5th Street NE

³ <https://ridgefieldroundtable.org/transportation-safety-plan/maps/map-safety-concerns?reporting=true#>



Sight Distance

- Visual restrictions due to on-premise vegetation near intersections and at specific locations.
- Request for improvements at intersections with limited sight distance.



Roundabouts

- Request for roundabouts to be implemented at intersections.
- Cut through traffic avoiding the roundabout.



Geometry

- Request for road widening on narrow roads, especially those that do not have pedestrian facilities.
- Request to repair roads that are in disrepair and repaint fading pavement markings.

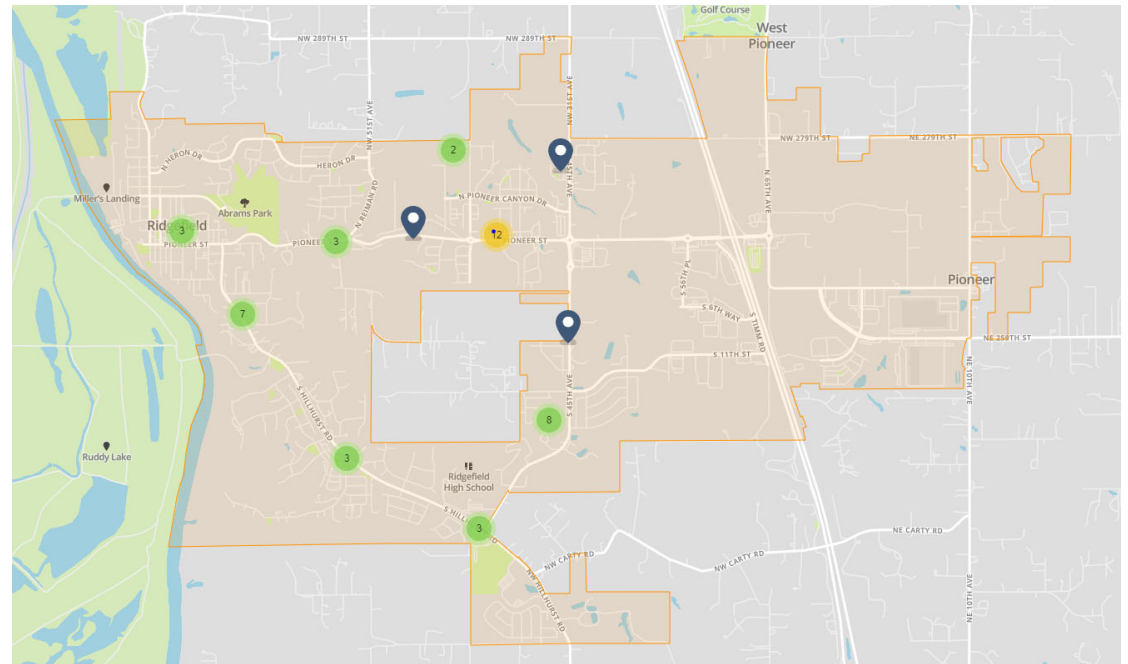


Figure 5. Ridgefield Roundtable Safety Concerns Map.

STEP 2: ANALYZE FATAL/SERIOUS INJURY COLLISIONS TO IDENTIFY RISK FACTORS (COLLISION ATTRIBUTES)

The City studied each risk factor (collision attribute) to determine which would be most useful for future steps. Table 1 shows some of the most common attributes present in collisions that occur on City-owned streets in Ridgefield.

TABLE 1. MOST COMMON COLLISION ATTRIBUTES, RIDGEFIELD, 2016-2020

Data Element	Collision Attribute	Total Collisions	Fatal Collisions (F)	Serious Injury Collisions (SI)	Percent of all Ridgefield Collisions with this Attribute ⁽¹⁾	Percent of F&SI Ridgefield Collisions with this Attribute ⁽²⁾
<i>Citywide</i>	<i>Any</i>	136	1	3		
Collision Type	Roadway Departure	57	1	2	42%	75%
	Head-On	0	0	0	0%	0%
	Entering at Angle	29	0	0	21%	0%
Contributing Circumstance (For at least one vehicle)	Exceeding Reasonable Safe Speed or Exceeding Stated Speed Limit	19	0	0	14%	0%
	Alcohol-Impaired ⁽³⁾	16	1	2	12%	75%
	Drug-Impaired ⁽³⁾	0	0	0	0%	0%
	Inattention / Distraction	24	0	0	18%	0%
Motor Type Involved	Motorcycle	1	0	0	1%	0%
	Heavy Vehicle	26	0	0	19%	0%

Data Element	Collision Attribute	Total Collisions	Fatal Collisions (F)	Serious Injury Collisions (SI)	Percent of all Ridgefield Collisions with this Attribute ⁽¹⁾	Percent of F&SI Ridgefield Collisions with this Attribute ⁽²⁾
Lighting Condition	Dark/Dusk/Dawn	10	0	1	7%	25%
Intersection	At Intersection or Intersection Related	55	1	1	40%	50%
	Signalized Intersection	1	0	0	1%	0%
	Unsignalized Intersection	54	1	0	40%	25%
Road User	Pedestrian Involved	5	0	1	4%	25%
	Cyclist Involved	1	0	0	1%	0%
Roadway Surface	Wet	46	0	2	34%	50%
	Ice	2	0	0	1%	0%
Age	Driver Age 16 to 25 Involved	42	1	1	31%	50%
	Driver Over Age 65 Involved	18	0	0	13%	0%
Restraint (Seat Belt) Usage	No Restraints Used	3	1	0	2%	25%

(1) For example, in Ridgefield 42% of all collisions involved roadway departure.

(2) For example, in Ridgefield 75% of all fatal and serious injury collisions involved roadway departure.

(3) As of this writing, WSDOT has identified an issue with 2020 impaired driving data and is looking into the details.

The study team identified the following notable trends from this analysis:

- Intersections are the most common type of location for collisions (all severities) to occur (55 of 136; 40%).
- Roadway departure collisions are the most common fatal and serious injury collision type, resulting in 3 of the 4 fatal and serious injury outcomes (75%).
- More than one-third of all collisions (34%) and half of fatal and serious injury collisions occurred on wet roads.
- Young drivers (age 16 to 25) were involved in nearly one third of all collisions.

STEP 3: SELECT MOST COMMON RISK FACTORS (COLLISION ATTRIBUTES)

Based on the findings of Step 1 and Step 2, the study team identified the following collision attributes correlated with the highest frequency or severity of collisions. These collision attributes are the focus of the network analysis in Step 4:

1. Roadway Departure
2. At Intersection or Intersection Related
3. Dusk/Dark/Dawn Lighting Conditions
4. Wet Road Surface Conditions
5. Vulnerable Users (Pedestrian/Bike Involved)

STEP 4: ANALYZE ROADWAY NETWORK FOR PRESENCE OF RISK FACTORS

Following WSDOT's recommended procedure,⁴ the City applied the most common risk factors in fatal/serious injury crashes to the entire network using frequency of collisions based on the most common risk factors / collision attributes.

The City mapped crash frequency based on the seven most common risk factors in fatal and serious injury crashes. The maps in **Appendix C** illustrate the locations of crashes with these attributes.

⁴ WSDOT Local Road Safety Plans Guidance, https://www.wsdot.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2014/02/27/LP_Local-Road-Safety-Plans.pdf

STEP 5: CREATE PRIORITIZED LIST OF ROADWAY LOCATIONS

The tables below show intersections and corridors ranked by the number of risk factors / collision attributes identified. A location received a “point” for a risk factor if it experienced a relatively high frequency of crashes with that attribute compared to the rest of the city roadway network. An additional point was added if that location was identified as a citizen concern.

TABLE 2. PRIORITIZED INTERSECTION SAFETY NEEDS BY NUMBER OF RISK FACTORS

Intersection	Roadway Departure	Dusk/Dark/ Dawn Lighting	Wet Road Surface	Bike/Ped	At Least 1 Fatal or Serious Injury Crash	Citizen Request	Total
S Royle Rd and S Hillhurst Rd ⁵	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	4
S 65 th Ave/ S 5 th St and S Dolan Rd	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	4
S 11 th St and S Timm Rd	✓	✓	-	-	✓	-	3
S 5 th St and S Union Ridge Pkwy	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	3
S 15 th Cir and S Hillhurst Rd	-	✓	✓	-	-	✓	3
S 85 th Ave/NE 10 th Ave and S Union Ridge Pkwy/NE 259 th St	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	3
Division St and S 5 th Ave	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	3

⁵ A signal was installed at this intersection in 2018.

TABLE 3. PRIORITIZED CORRIDOR SAFETY NEEDS BY NUMBER OF RISK FACTORS

Segment	Roadway Departure	Dusk/Dark/ Dawn Lighting	Wet Road Surface	Ped /Bike	At Least 1 Fatal or Serious Injury Crash	Citizen Request	Total
S 85th Avenue from N 10th Street to Union Ridge Parkway	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
S Hillhurst Rd from NW 229 th St to S 19 th Way	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	4
N Reiman Rd/NW 51 st Ave from NW 289 th St to Pioneer St (SR 501)	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	4

STEPS 6 & 7: IDENTIFY COUNTERMEASURES TO ADDRESS PRIORITIZED LOCATIONS AND DEVELOP A PRIORITIZED LIST OF PROJECTS

The City compared the list of prioritized intersections and corridors identified in Step 5 to recent and already-funded projects to identify the most pressing safety current needs, and then analyzed collision data and existing conditions at the following locations:

TABLE 4. PRIORITIZED SAFETY STUDY LOCATIONS

Location	Roadway Departure	Dusk/Dark/ Dawn Lighting	Wet Road Surface	Bike/Ped	At Least 1 Fatal or Serious Injury Crash	Citizen Request
1. Intersection: S 11th St and S Timm Rd	✓	✓	-	-	✓	-
2. Segment: NW Hillhurst Rd from NW 229th St to S 19th Way	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓
3. Segment: N Reiman Rd/NW 51st Ave from NW 289th St to Pioneer St (SR 501)	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-

Upon completion of that analysis and identification of potential countermeasures, the City selected the priority safety projects shown below in Table 5.

TABLE 5. SAFETY PROJECTS TO PURSUE

Prioritized Location or Systemic Collision Type	Safety Project	Next Step
1. Systemic Roadway Departure: Curves	Citywide Horizontal Curve Signing	Apply for 2022 WSDOT City Safety Program grant funding
2. Systemic Roadway Departure: Corridors	Low-cost Roadway Departure Treatments on select corridors	Apply for 2022 WSDOT City Safety Program grant funding
3. Intersection: S 11 th St and S Timm Rd	Sign upgrades, Intersection lighting	Apply for 2022 WSDOT City Safety Program grant funding
4. Systemic Stop-controlled Intersections	Signing and pavement marking improvements. Lighting upgrades at select locations	Apply for 2022 WSDOT City Safety Program grant funding

The following sections detail existing conditions, countermeasures, and estimated project costs, monetary value of estimated safety benefits, and the estimated benefit/cost ratio of each recommended safety project. The projects are organized by City priority, with the highest-priority projects first.

PRIORITY 1: SYSTEMIC ROADWAY DEPARTURE | CITYWIDE HORIZONTAL CURVE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Roadway Departure collisions were the most common type to result in fatalities and serious injuries in Ridgefield, with 72% of fatal or serious injury collisions during the study period including a vehicle departing its lane. Additionally, 42% of all collisions (regardless of severity) involved roadway departure. Figure 6 illustrates the frequency and density of roadway departure collisions.

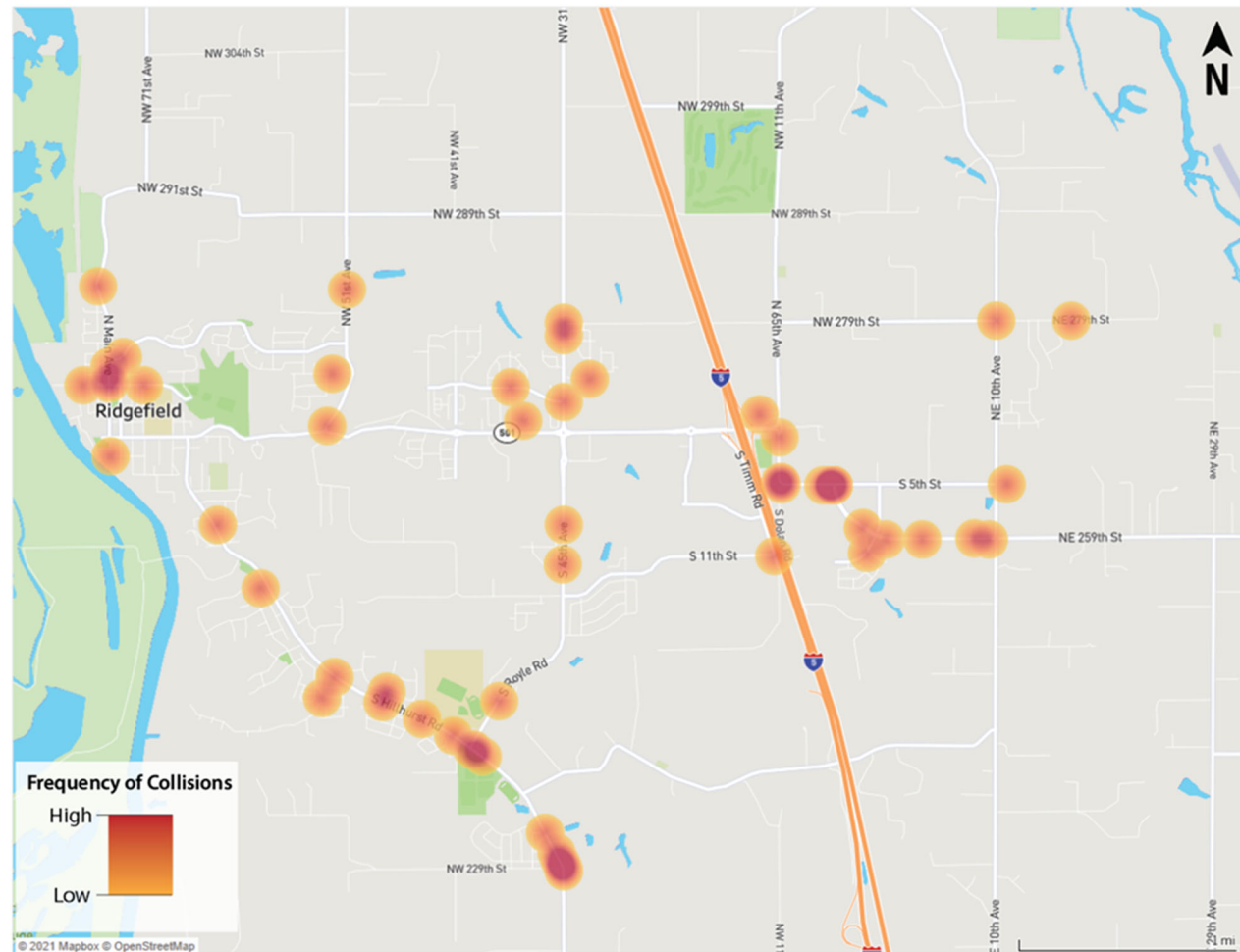







Figure 6. Heat Map of Roadway Departure Collision Frequency, Ridgefield, 2016-2020.

The City proposes horizontal curve safety improvements for two important reasons. First, motorists are more than three times as likely to be involved in a collision on a curve than a tangent section. Second, the most recent MUTCD (2009) included a legal requirement for every publicly-owned road with 1,000+ vehicles per day to meet horizontal curve requirements by December 31, 2019.

This safety project will provide current MUTCD standard curve warning signs at all horizontal curves on arterials and major collectors in the city limits (approximately 40 curves).

- Conduct a horizontal curve inventory study to assess existing conditions
 - Collect advisory speed data for each curve and turn
 - Calculate the difference between advisory speed and posted speed limit (per MUTCD)
- Design signing treatments
 - Determine the required (shall) and recommended (should) sign package for each curve per MUTCD Table 2C-5 (e.g., advanced warning sign, advisory speed plaque, chevrons, and/or one direction large arrow).
 - Confirm sign placement feasibility via field review
 - Produce plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E) for curve signing
- Install horizontal curve warning signs

Ridgefield: Citywide Horizontal Curve Safety Improvements

	<u>Project Description</u> Provide current MUTCD standard curve warning signs or enhanced warning treatments at all horizontal curves and turns on arterials and major collectors	 <u>Cost Estimate</u> \$360,000	 <u>Crash Reduction</u> ⁶ 15% Injury 7% Property Damage Only
		 <u>Benefit / Cost Ratio</u> 3.92	History: 21 curve crashes observed from 2016-2020. Expected Benefit: 0.39 fewer crashes per year
		 <u>Time Frame</u> Medium-term	

⁶ WSDOT Crash Modification Factor

PRIORITY 2: SYSTEMIC ROADWAY DEPARTURE | COMBINED ROADWAY DEPARTURE TREATMENTS ALONG SELECT CORRIDORS

Low-cost roadway departure treatments focus primarily on keeping vehicles on the road and in their lane, and since motorists can depart the roadway at an infinite number of locations (versus the finite number of intersections in a jurisdiction), blanketing an entire corridor with roadway departure treatments can prevent future collisions, even at locations that have not experienced one in the past. The following treatments should be considered along select corridors.

- **Enhanced Curve Safety Package.** On top of the minimum requirements, horizontal curve signing will be enhanced to provide additional warning for motorists: doubled-up signs, oversized signs fluorescent yellow sheeting, chevrons alignment signs, flexible delineators, flashers, speed feedback warning, and pavement marking. Additionally, High Friction Surface Treatment may be appropriate at select curves.
- **Profiled Pavement Marking.** Provide visual, tactile, and auditory feedback to drivers - similar to rumble strips but more appropriate for urban settings.
- **Nighttime Delineation.** Provide delineation via vertical delineators or products added to current appurtenances (e.g., guardrail) to improve visibility of roadway alignment in dark conditions.
- **Fixed Object Treatments.** For each fixed object within the right-of-way (with priority for those objects in the clear zone), address each using the following hierarchy per FHWA:
 - a. Remove the obstacle.
 - b. Redesign the obstacle so it can be safely traversed.
 - c. Relocate the obstacle to a point where it is less likely to be struck.
 - d. Reduce impact severity by using an appropriate breakaway device.
 - e. Shield the obstacle with a longitudinal traffic barrier designed for redirection or use a crash cushion.
 - f. Delineate the obstacle if the previous alternatives are not appropriate.

The City has identified these priority segments for systemic roadway departure treatments and described their safety needs below.

- NW Hillhurst Road from NW 229th Street to S 19th Way
- N Reiman Road/NW 51st Avenue from NW 289th Street to Pioneer Street (SR 501)

- Pioneer Street from Reiman Road to Mayors Meadow Trail
- Royle Road from NW Hillhurst Road to Pioneer Street

The following sections describe the identified safety needs along these corridors.

NW Hillhurst Road from NW 229th Street to S 19th Way. This segment of NW Hillhurst Road has been reconstructed during the past few years with changes to the surrounding land use, including the construction of Sunset Ridge Intermediate School and View Ridge Middle School. Speed limits could need updating based on this new land use, and some existing signing (e.g., END 35 SPEED LIMIT) may be confusing for some drivers – especially those not familiar with the area. At the city limit, a recent lighting project ends just before a horizontal curve, causing drivers to enter that county road curve in the dark after the lighted tangent adjacent to the school.

Common collision attributes include speeding, roadway departure, and rear end. Collisions often occurred when the driver was asleep/fatigued, distracted, or impaired.



NW Hillhurst Rd south of School Entrance

N Reiman Road/NW 51st Avenue from NW 289th Street to Pioneer Street (SR 501). This segment of N Reiman Road/NW 51st Avenue is a narrow, 2-lane, hilly, tree-lined roadway through the woods that connects residential properties in north Ridgefield to Pioneer Street (SR 501). Collision history includes two roadway departure collisions, with one involving a driver being seriously injured. Other common collision attributes include dark conditions, wet pavement, deer collision, and guardrail damage. Some portions of this roadway also have pavement condition concerns.



Approaching Horizontal Curve on N Reiman Rd/NW 51st Ave

Pioneer Street from Reiman Road to Mayors Meadow Trail. Pioneer Street experiences heavy pedestrian activity (along the road and crossing) but a lack of proper pedestrian facilities. There is poor visibility, no roadway shoulder, and a posted speed limit of 40 mph. Pioneer Rd speed limit is 40 mph. The City is applying for traffic calming measures along this segment to support pedestrian crossings to the Mayors Meadow Trail, which is current in design.⁷

Royle Road from NW Hillhurst Road to Pioneer Street. Royle Road along this segment has the look and feel of a rural facility, but it has the operating elements (e.g., neighborhood intersections, pedestrian activity) of an urban roadway. This results in high operating speeds and vulnerable users.

⁷ The City is applying for Community Develop Block Grant (CDBG) funding for improvements on this corridor.

Ridgefield: Systemic Roadway Departure Countermeasures along Select Corridors



Project Description

Install enhanced safety treatments, profiled pavement markings, nighttime delineation, and/or fixed object treatments along these corridors.



Cost Estimate

\$674,000



Benefit / Cost Ratio

7.58



Time Frame

Medium-term



Crash Reduction

~40%

Combined reduction for the treatments described.

History: 16 roadway departure collisions along the select corridors from 2016-2020.

Expected Benefit: 1.3 fewer crashes per year

PRIORITY 3. S 11TH STREET AND S TIMM ROAD INTERSECTION

Identified Safety Needs. Located in an industrial area of Ridgefield, S 11th Street and S Timm Road has unsignalized traffic control. S 11th Street is a narrow road with trucks frequently entering the intersection. The crosswalk at this intersection is long, lacks illumination, and does not have ADA ramps placed optimally. A fatal collision occurred at this location during the study period, when an eastbound driver drove through the stop sign and entered the Interstate, striking another vehicle. This event resulted in two fatalities, the driver and passenger.

While outside the study period, collisions have occurred in 2021, including another eastbound driver running through the STOP sign.



S 11th St Eastbound Approach at S Timm Rd

Intersection Safety Project. To address the identified needs at this intersection, the City will provide the following safety countermeasures.

- **Sign Upgrades.** Double arrow warning sign at the top of the T, stop ahead warning sign, oversized and doubled-up stop sign, and retro-reflective post sleeves can make the stop condition more conspicuous for approaching motorists.
- **Improved Intersection Lighting.** With crashes in dark conditions prominent and lack of overhead lighting at the intersection, adding illumination will support safety in dark conditions.

Ridgefield: S 11th Street and S Timm Road Intersection Safety Project



Project Description

Install upgraded signing and pavement marking. Improve intersection lighting.



Cost Estimate

\$380,000



Benefit / Cost Ratio

7.88



Time Frame

Medium-term



Crash Reduction

~38%

Combined reduction for the treatments described.

History: 1 fatal roadway departure collision at this intersection from 2016 to 2020.

Expected Benefit: 0.08 fewer crashes per year

PRIORITY 4. SYSTEMIC STOP-CONTROLLED INTERSECTIONS

Identified Safety Needs. In Ridgefield, intersection and intersection-related collisions are the most common types to occur for all crash severities. 50% of fatal and serious injury collisions occurred at intersections or were intersection-related, and 40% of all collisions occurred at intersections or were intersection-related.

Potential Safety Treatments

- ***Signing and Striping Improvements.*** Low-cost systemic safety countermeasures at unsignalized intersections consists primarily of signing and pavement marking. Treatments include doubled-up signs, additional pavement marking, fluorescent yellow sign sheeting, advance warning signs, oversized signs, and a between-lanes curb on the side street.
- ***Improved Intersection Lighting.*** With crashes in dark conditions prominent and lack of overhead lighting at the intersection, adding illumination will support safety in dark conditions.

To address the safety risks at intersections and the low cost of the recommended treatments, the City will consider a combination of these treatments at the following intersections:

- N Reiman Rd and Pioneer St
- Williams Rd/NW 229th St and NW Hillhurst Rd/NW 31st Ave
- S 65th Ave/ S 5th St and S Dolan Rd
- S 5th St and S Union Ridge Pkwy
- S 15th Cir and S Hillhurst Rd
- S 85th Ave/NE 10th Ave and S Union Ridge Pkwy/NE 259th St
- Division St and S 5th Ave

For lighting, the City will conduct a full assessment of current lighting conditions and identify 3 of the 7 locations for illumination improvements.

Ridgefield: Systemic Stop-Controlled Intersection Safety Countermeasures



Project Description

Install upgraded signing and pavement marking at 7 intersections.

Improve intersection lighting at 3 locations.



Cost Estimate

\$1,162,000



Benefit / Cost Ratio

3.51



Time Frame

Medium-term



Crash Reduction

~30%

Combined reduction for the treatments described.

History: 17 intersection collisions at the selected intersections from 2016-2020.

Expected Benefit: 1.02 fewer crashes per year

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Safety Countermeasures Toolbox

Appendix B: Grant Programs

Appendix C: Collision Heat Maps

Appendix A Countermeasures Toolbox

Signalized Intersections

S1. Improve Intersection Lighting

A permanent source of artificial light applied to signalized intersections that have a disproportionate number of night-time crashes and do not currently provide sufficient lighting at the intersection or at its approaches.

Benefit-Cost

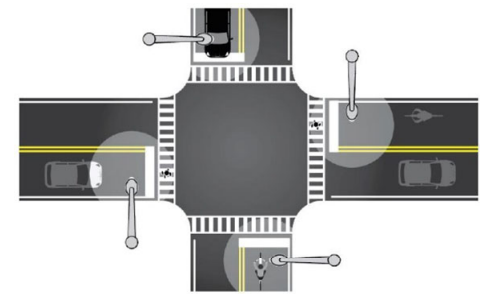
- » Implementation of this treatment reduces nighttime injury crashes by 38% and nighttime pedestrian crashes by 42%. (WSDOT)
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$75,000
- » The provision of lighting involves both a fixed cost for lighting installation and an ongoing maintenance and power cost which results in a moderate to high cost.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual, FHWA, WSDOT

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S2. Improve Signal Hardware (lenses, back-plates, mounting, size, number of heads)

Applicable at signalized intersections with a high frequency of right-angle and rear-end crashes because drivers are unable to see traffic signals sufficiently in advance to safely negotiate the intersection being approached. Examples include increasing the size of indications from 8 in. to 12 in. and adding supplemental heads (e.g., side-mount, near-side mount).

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment can reduce crashes by 3-7% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$40,000 per intersection
- » Cost varies based on size/number of signal heads.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S3. Improve Signal Timing (coordination, phasing, clearance intervals)

Effective at locations that have a crash history at multiple signalized intersections. Signalization improvements may include adding phases, lengthening clearance intervals, eliminating or restricting higher-risk movements, and coordinating signals at multiple locations. This treatment addresses all types of crashes that occur on the approaches / influence area of the new signal timing. For projects coordination signals along a corridor, the crashes related to side-street movements should not be applied.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces all crashes by 16%, and particularly angle crashes by 32% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$1,000 per intersection
- » Cost variation based on number of signal heads and number of movements.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S4. Install Left-turn Lane and Add Turn Phase

Installed at signalized intersections that have a significant crash problem and the only alternative is to change the nature of the intersection itself. This treatment addresses all type of crashes and the measure can be very effective at intersection with complex geometry and intersection with frequent left-turn movements. A properly timed protected left-turn phase can also help reduce rear-end, broadside, and sideswipe crashes between left-turning vehicles and the through vehicles as well as vehicles behind them. This countermeasure only applies to crashes occurring on the approaches / influence area of the new left turn phases.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces all crashes by 35% and head on crashes by 69% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$12,000 per intersection
- » If the existing traffic signal only requires a minor modification to allow for a protected left-turn phase, then the cost would also be low (installation is short because no actual construction). In-house signal maintainers can perform this operation once the proper signal phasing is determined so the cost is low.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S5. Pavement Marking and RPMs through Intersection

Raised Pavement Markers (RPMs) and pavement marking installed in intersections where the lane designations are not clearly visible to approaching motorists. Can also be applied at intersections noted as being complex and experiencing crashes that could be attributed to a driver's unsuccessful attempt to navigate the intersection.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces run off road, opposite direction and night crashes by 21% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$2,000 per installation

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S6. Improve Pavement Friction (High Friction Surface Treatment)

Improvement for signalized Intersections noted as having crashes on wet pavements or under dry conditions when the pavement friction available is significantly less than needed for roadway approach speeds. This treatment is intended to target locations where skidding and failure to stop is determined to be a problem in wet or dry conditions and the target vehicle is unable to stop due to insufficient skid resistance. In addition, treatment also addresses night crashes all other crashes. This treatment does not apply to standard chip-seal or open-graded maintenance projects for long segments of corridors or structure repaving projects intended to fix failed pavement.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 40% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$5,000 per intersection for materials and equipment
- » Cost variation based on size of intersection and material (Estimated \$30/sq.yd.).

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S7. Add Median Openings to Allow or Restrict Left-turns and U-turns

Install medians to reduce crashes related to turning maneuvers include angle, rear-end, pedestrian, and sideswipe (involving opposing left turns) type crashes. This treatment only applies to crashes occurring in the intersection/influence area of the new directional openings.

Benefit-Cost

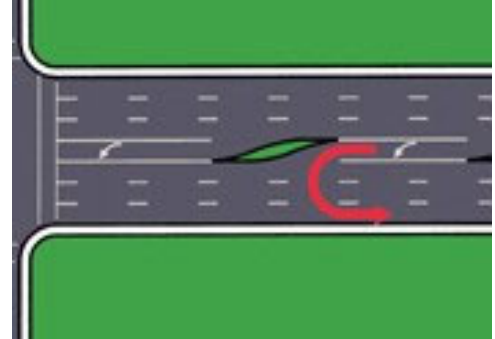
- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 51% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$75,000 per installation
- » The cost of this strategy will depend on the treatment.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S8. Install Right-turn Lane

Setting up right-turn lane may be appropriate in situations where there are an unusually high number of rear-end collisions on a single major road approach. The need for right turn lanes should be assessed on an individual approach basis. It is also important to ensure that the right-turn lanes are of sufficient length to allow vehicles to decelerate and “queue up” before turning, ideally without affecting the flow of through traffic. This treatment addresses rear-end crashes. When considering new right-turn lanes, potential impacts to non-motorized user should be considered and mitigated as appropriate.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by up to 8% for all crashes and 17% for fatal/injury crashes (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$300,000 per right turn lane
- » Installing right turn lanes require substantial time for development and construction that can vary the cost.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S9. Install Pedestrian Countdown Signal Heads

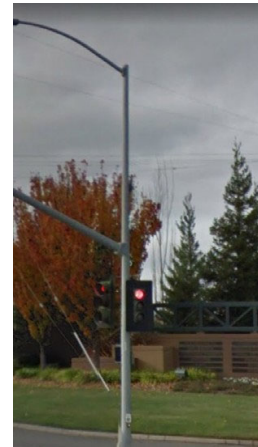
Install at signals that have signalized pedestrian crossing with WALK / DON'T WALK indications and where there have been pedestrian-vehicle crashes. The countermeasure addresses both pedestrian and bicycle collisions. This countermeasure only applies to "Ped & Bike" crashes occurring in the intersection/crossing with the new countdown heads.

Benefit-Cost

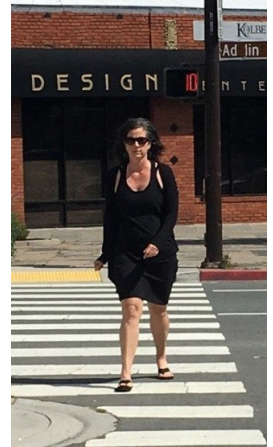
- » Implementation of this treatment reduces pedestrian crashes by 70% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$1,500 per signal head (does not include push button or pole cost)
- » Costs and time of installation will vary based on the number of intersections included in this strategy and if it requires new signal controllers capable of accommodating the enhancement. This countermeasure can be effectively and efficiently implemented using a systematic approach with numerous locations, resulting in moderate cost projects that are more appropriate to seek state or federal funding.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



S10. Flashing Yellow Arrow Left Turn Signal

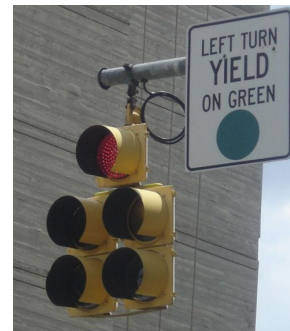
Flashing yellow arrow (FYA) traffic signals feature a flashing yellow arrow in addition to the standard red, yellow, and green arrows. When illuminated, the flashing yellow arrow allows waiting motorists to make a left-hand turn after yielding to oncoming traffic.

A national study demonstrated that drivers found flashing yellow left-turn arrows more understandable than traditional yield-on-green indications (green ball). Flashing yellow arrow treatment at signalized intersections can reduce the likelihood of left-turn crashes during permissive left-turn phasing. They can be used in either permissive-only or protected-permissive left-turn phasing schemes.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces left turn crashes by 19% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$200,000 per intersection (assuming 4 new installations)
- » Depending on the existing signal heads, signal controller, and signal cabinet, this treatment may require a controller replacement, which would increase the cost of installation.

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



Sources: FHWA, NACTO, Minnesota DOT

S11. Leading Pedestrian Interval

A leading pedestrian interval (LPI) gives pedestrians the opportunity to enter the crosswalk at an intersection 3-7 seconds before vehicles are given a green indication. Using this “head start,” pedestrians can better establish their presence in the crosswalk before vehicles have priority to turn right or left.

LPIs provide increased visibility of crossing pedestrians and increased likelihood of motorists yielding to pedestrians. This results in reduced conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians, improving intersection safety. LPI is particularly useful at signalized intersections with a high volume of turning movements.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces pedestrian-vehicle crashes by 13-48% (FHWA, WSDOT, City of Seattle).
- » 10-20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$200-10,000 (based on whether existing controller can accommodate the change)

Sources: FHWA, City of Seattle, WSDOT

IMPLEMENTATION



Countermeasures for Non-Signalized Intersections

NS1. Add Intersection Lighting

Effective at unsignalized intersections that have a disproportionate number of nighttime crashes and do not currently have lighting. This treatment improves the safety of the intersection during nighttime by making drivers more aware of the surroundings at the intersection, enhancing driver's available sight distances and improving the visibility of non-motorists. This countermeasure only applies to nightcrashes (all types) occurring within limits of the proposed roadway lighting 'engineered' area.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces nighttime injury crashes by 38% and nighttime pedestrian crashes by 42% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$8,000 per intersection
- » Cost variation based on cost for lighting installation and an ongoing maintenance and power cost.

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

NS2. Convert to All-way Stop Control

Applicable at unsignalized intersection locations (currently with two-way stop control or two-way yield control) with a crash history and have no controls on the major roadway approaches. The all-way stop control is suitable only at intersections with moderate and relatively balanced volume levels on the intersection approaches. This treatment addresses to all type of crashes and only applies to crashes occurring in the intersection and /or influence area of the new control. All-way stop warrant should be considered.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 18-75% (ODOT).
- » 10 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$5,000 per intersection.
- » Cost variation based on numbers of locations.

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

NS3. Install Roundabout

Effective at intersections that have a high frequency of right-angle and left-turn type crashes, primarily at unsignalized intersections with moderate-volumes. This countermeasure only applies to crashes occurring in the intersection and/or influence area of the new control and is not eligible for use at existing all-way stop intersections.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment at 2-way stop controlled intersection reduces crashes by 25% and fatal/injury crashes by 35% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$750,000 per intersection.
- » Cost variation based on the environmental process, right-of-way acquisition and implementation under an agency's long-term capital improvement program.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



NS4. Implement Unsignalized Intersection Signing and Marking Improvements

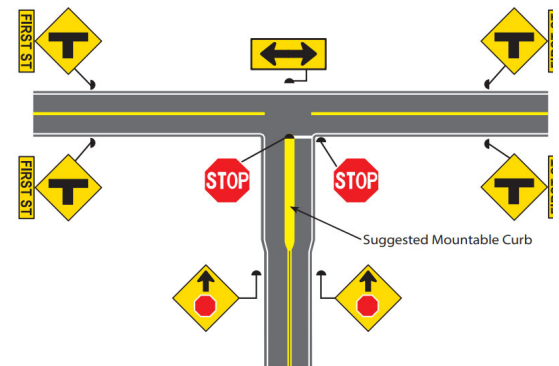
Target unsignalized intersections with patterns of rear-end, right-angle, or turning collisions related to lack of driver awareness of the presence of the intersection. The set of low-cost countermeasures is designed to increase drivers' alertness to the presence of the intersection and reduce potential conflicts with other entering vehicles. These treatments can include advanced intersection warning signs, oversized signs, doubled-up signs, stop ahead signs or painted on side street to supplement STOP sign.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 25% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$700 per intersection.
- » Cost variation based on the number of signs.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



NS5. Install Transverse Rumble Strips

Transverse rumble strips are installed in the travel lane for providing an auditory and tactile sensation for each motorist approaching the intersection. They can be used at any stop or yield approach intersection, often in combination with advance signing to warn of the intersection ahead. This countermeasure applies to all crashes occurring on the approach / influence area of the new rumble strips.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces all crashes by up to 6% and fatal/injury crashes by 7% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$5,000 per intersection.
- » Cost variation based on the length of the rumble strips.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



NS6. Install Raised Median

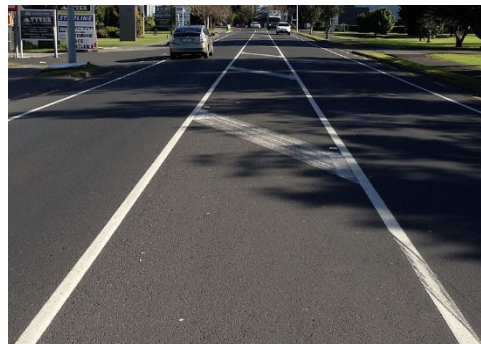
Used at Intersections noted as having turning movement crashes near the intersection as a result of insufficient access control. Application of this countermeasure should be based on current crash data and a clearly defined need to restrict or accommodate the movement. Angle crashes are addressed through this countermeasure. When agencies opt to install landscaping in conjunction with new raised medians, these locations must be excluded from their federally funded HSIP application scope. This countermeasure only applies to crashes occurring on the approaches / influence area of the new raised median.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces all crashes by up to 39% and fatal/injury crashes by 44% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$200,000+ (depends on length, right-of-way, and surface treatment).
- » Cost variation based on the size of the new median.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



NS7. Install Right-turn Lane

Applicable when many collisions at unsignalized intersections are related to right-turn maneuvers. This countermeasure provides exclusive right-turn lanes, particularly on high-volume and high-speed major-road approaches to minimizing the collisions and applies to crashes occurring on the approaches / influence area of the new right-turn lanes.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces all crashes by up to 8% and fatal/injury crashes by 17% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$200,000 per intersection.
- » Cost variation based on how wide the new right turn lane.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



NS8. Install Enhanced Pedestrian Crossing with

Advanced Features

Applicable at non-signalized intersections without a marked crossing, where pedestrians are known to cross, that involve significant vehicular traffic. They are important at school crossings and intersections with right and/or left turns pockets. Rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs), overhead flashing beacons, curb extensions, advanced stop or yield lines and other safety features should be added to complement the standard crossing elements. This countermeasure reduced pedestrian crashes occurring in the crossing (influence area) with the new enhanced safety features.

Benefit-Cost:

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces pedestrian crashes by 40% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$ 50,000 per intersection
- » Cost variation based on the length of the pedestrian crossing and the amount of safety signs.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



NS9. Install Pedestrian Crossing (signs and markings only)

Applicable when many collisions at unsignalized intersections are related to left-turn maneuvers. This countermeasure provides exclusive left-turn lanes, particularly on high-volume and high-speed major-road approaches to minimizing the collisions. This countermeasure applies to crashes occurring on the approaches /influence area of the new left- turn lanes, but is not eligible for use at existing all-way stop intersections.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces pedestrian crashes by 40% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$200,000 per intersection
- » Cost variation based on how wide the new left lane.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



Countermeasures for Roadway Segments

R1. Add Segment Lighting

Applied to night-time crashes. In particular, patterns of rear-end, right-angle, turning or roadway departure collisions on the roadways may indicate that night-time drivers can be unaware of the roadway characteristics. This treatment addresses only to all night type crashes.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces injury crashes by 28% (HSM).
- » 20 years of estimated life
- » Estimated \$8,000 per installation
- » Cost variation depending if lighting connected to signal box.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual, Highway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



R2. Remove or Relocate Fixed Objects

Applicable to known locations or roadway segments prone to collisions with fixed objects such as utility poles, drainage structures, trees, and other fixed objects, such as the outside of a curve, end of lane drops, and in traffic islands. This treatment addresses fixed object crashes that occur within the current clear zone.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces run off road crashes by 38% (WSDOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Varies. Up to estimated \$50,000 per deployment
- » Costs will generally be low, assuming that in most cases the objects to be removed are within the right-of-way.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



R3. Install Guardrail

Guardrail is installed to reduce the severity of lane departure crashes. This treatment addresses fixed object and run-off road crashes. Its value in reducing collisions should only be applied to locations where past crash data or engineering judgement suggests the guardrail may result in a few or less severe crashes because the guardrail itself is a fixed object.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces run off road crashes by 7-34% (ODOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$50,000 per installation

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



R4. Install Roadside Impact Attenuators

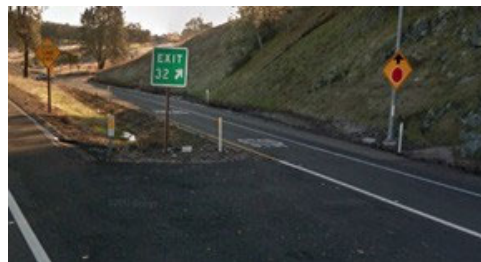
Impact attenuators are typically used to shield rigid roadside objects such as concrete barrier ends, steel guardrail ends and bridge pillars from oncoming automobiles. This treatment addresses fixed object and run-off road that occur with the limits of the new attenuators. This countermeasure and corresponding collision reduction benefits should only be applied to locations where past crash data or engineering judgement applied to existing conditions suggests the upgraded attenuators may result in a few or less severe crashes.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 25%.
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$5,000 for steel railing, \$2,500 for traffic barrels
- » Costs depending on the scope of the project, type(s) used, and associated ongoing maintenance costs.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



R5. Add 2 ft Paved Shoulder

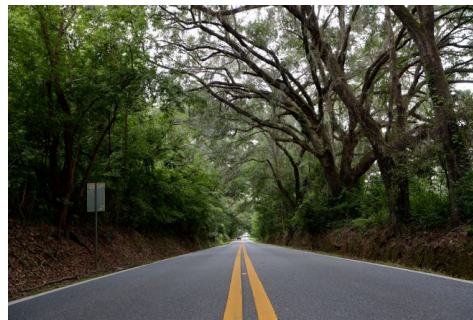
Installed in roadways that have a frequent incidence of vehicles leaving the travel lane resulting in an unsuccessful attempt to reenter the roadway. The probability of a safe recovery is increased if an errant vehicle is provided with an increased paved area in which to initiate such a recovery. This type of countermeasure addresses Fixed object, Run-off Road, and Sideswipe collisions.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces crashes by 5-13% (ODOT).
- » 20 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$150,000 (cost depends on need for right-of-way or if roadside modification is needed).
- » Shoulder widening costs would depend on whether new right-of-way is required and whether extensive roadside modification is needed. Since shoulder widening can be a relatively expensive treatment, one of the keys to creating a cost-effective project with at least a medium B/C ratio is targeting higher-hazard roadways.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

EXISTING CONDITION



IMPLEMENTATION



R6. Add Unpaved Shoulder

Appropriate to roadways with a frequent incidence of vehicles leaving the travel lane resulting in an unsuccessful attempt to reenter the roadway. This countermeasure addressed all types of crashes. Unless shoulder widening requires additional right-of-way and environmental impacts, these treatments can be implemented in a relatively short timeframe. This countermeasure only applies to crashes occurring within the limits of the new shoulder.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces crashes by 3-6% (ODOT).
- » 20 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$50,000 (varies)
- » The cost of adding a navigable non-paved shoulder would depend whether extensive roadside modification and shoulder stabilization are required.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



R7. Install Chevron Signs on Horizontal Curves

Set up on roadways that have an unacceptable level of crashes on relatively sharp curves during periods of light and darkness. Ideally this type of safety countermeasure would be combined with other sign evaluations and upgrades (install warning signs, delineators, markers, beacons, and relocation of existing signs per MUTCD standards). This treatment can address all types of crashes; but, specifically, run-offroad crashes occurring near curves. This treatment only applies to crashes occurring within the influence area of the new signs (i.e. only through the curve).

Benefit-Cost:

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 64% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life.
- » Estimated \$1,000 per curve
- » Costs for implementing this strategy are nominal and depend on the number of signs. When considered at a single location, these low-cost improvements are usually funded through local funding by local maintenance crews. However, this treatment can be effectively and efficiently implemented using a systematic approach with numerous locations, resulting in moderate cost projects that are more appropriate to seek state or federal funding.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



R8. Add Speed Feedback Signs

This type of treatment addresses all crashes caused by motorist traveling too fast, including horizontal curves. Before choosing this treatment, the agency needs to confirm the ability to provide power to the site (solar may be an option).

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces crashes by 46% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$20,000-100,000
- » Cost varies by type of implementation.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



R9. Install Edge Line and Centerline Pavement Marking

Applicable on any road with a history of run-off-road right, head-on, opposite-direction-sideswipe, or run-off-road-left crashes is a candidate for this treatment. This treatment addresses all types, specifically impacts head-on and run-off road crashes. It only applies to crashes occurring within the limits of the new centerlines and/or edge lines. The treatment is not intended to be used for general maintenance activities (i.e. the replacement of existing striping) and must include upgraded safety features over the existing striping. For two lane roadways allowing passing, a striping audit must be done to ensure the passing limits meeting the MUTCD standards. Both the centerline and edge lines are expected to be upgraded.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation on this treatment reduces run off road, opposite direction and nighttime crashes by 21% (WSDOT).
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$4,000 (depends on number and length of segment, as well as striping material)
- » Costs for implementing this strategy are nominal and depend on the number and length of segment as well as the striping material (paint, thermoplastic, etc.). This countermeasure can be effectively implemented using a systemic approach with numerous and long locations.

Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

IMPLEMENTATION



R10. Install No Passing Zone

Installed on roadways that have a high percentage of head-on crashes suggesting that many head-on crashes may relate to failed passing maneuvers. No Passing Zones should be installed where drivers' "passing sight distance" is not available due to horizontal or vertical obstructions. This treatment addresses all types of crashes that occur when drivers cannot differentiate the centerline markings between passing and no-passing area. This treatment only applies to crashes occurring within the limits of the new or extended no-passing zones.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 45%.
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$2,000 (varies)
- » When considered at a single location, these low cost improvements are usually funded through local funding by local maintenance crews. However, This treatment can be effectively and efficiently implemented using a systematic approach with numerous and long locations, resulting in low to moderate cost projects that are more appropriate to seek state or federal funding.

IMPLEMENTATION



R11. Install Centerline Rumble Strips/Stripes

Center Line rumble strips/stripes should be used on segments with a history of head-on crashes. This treatment addresses head-on and opposite-direction side-swipe crashes by alerting drivers who travel into the oncoming travel lane.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces crashes by 20%.
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$3,000 per mile
- » Costs for implementing this strategy are nominal and depend on the number and length of locations.

IMPLEMENTATION



Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

R12. Install Edge Line Rumble Strips/Stripes

Shoulder and edge line milled rumble strips/stripes should be used on roads with a history of roadway departure crashes. This treatment addresses run-off road crashes by providing an auditory and tactile warning when driven on, alerting drivers drifting outside their travel lanes.

Benefit-Cost

- » Implementation of this treatment reduces opposite direction crashes by 40% and fatal/injury crashes by 8%.
- » 10 years of expected life
- » Estimated \$3,000 per mile
- » Costs for implementing this strategy are nominal and depend on the number and length of locations.

IMPLEMENTATION



Sources: CA-Local Roadway Safety Manual

R13. Rail Crossing Treatments

Four Quadrant Gates extend across all roadway lanes on both the approach and the departure side of the crossing. Unlike two-quadrant gate systems, four-quadrant gates provide additional visual constraints and inhibit most traffic movements over the crossing after the gates have been lowered. Safe guards are put in place to ensure vehicles are not trapped on the tracks.

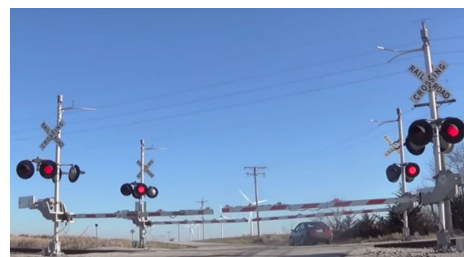
Wayside Horns can be used as an adjunct to train-activated crossing warning systems to provide audible warning of an approaching train for traffic on each approach to the highway-rail crossing. A wayside horn system consists of a horn or series of horns located at a public highway-rail crossing and directed at oncoming motorists. The wayside horn system simulates a train horn and sounds at a minimum of 15 seconds prior to the train's arrival at the highway-rail crossing, until the lead locomotive has traversed the crossing. It is typically used at locations where the train horn is not sounded.

Benefit-Cost

- » Quantified benefits unknown.
- » 10 Years of expected life
- » Estimated \$700,000 for four quadrant gate system
- » Estimated \$500,000 for wayside horn system

Sources: FHWA, FRA

IMPLEMENTATION



Four Quadrant Gate



Wayside Horn

R14. No Passing Zone Signs

A No Passing Zone, indicated by a solid yellow line on the left side of the driver's direction of travel, indicates a zone through which sight distance is restricted or where other conditions make overtaking and passing inappropriate. No Passing Zones are regulatory and legally enforceable.

In situations where head-on collision history is observed, a NO PASSING ZONE pennant can provide additional information to drivers at the beginning of the No Passing Zone, discouraging passing maneuvers. The NO PASSING ZONE sign is installed on the left side of the roadway.

Additionally, DO NOT PASS signs can be added as a supplement to No Passing Zone pavement markings to emphasize the restriction on passing. It can be installed at the beginning of, and at intervals within, the No Passing Zone.

Benefit-Cost

- » Quantified benefits unknown.
- » 10 Years of expected life
- » Estimated \$200 per sign

Sources: FHWA

IMPLEMENTATION



Figure Links

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NS8b <https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/provencountermeasures/crosswalk-visibility.cfm>
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NS9b <https://nacto.org/publication/urban-bikeway-design-guide/bicycle-boulevards/major-street-crossing/>

R1a <https://www.shutterstock.com/nb/video/clip-9830723-4k-driving-car-on-highway-roadway-night>
R1b <https://www.wsdot.wa.gov/research/reports/fullreports/847.1.pdf>
R2a Google Streetview
R2b Google Streetview
R3a Google Streetview
R3b https://www.reddit.com/r/funny/comments/4zcplq/a_local_plumbers_truck_decal/
R4a Unknown
R4b <http://sllee.com/attenuators/Impact-Attenuators>
R5a Unknown
R5b https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/fhwasa11018/
R6b <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/safety/15030/009.cfm>

R7b https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/provencountermeasures/enhanced_delineation.cfm
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R13a https://cms.cityoftacoma.org/PublicWorks/RR_Crossing/Dome_OldTown/Option4_S_C_St_Poster_1of2.pdf
R13b https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsip/xings/com_roaduser/fhwasa18040/
R14a https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/older_users/fhwasa15088/ch4.cfm
R14b <https://driving-tests.org/road-signs/do-not-pass-sign/>

Appendix B Grant Programs

Based on the projects included in the City Safety Plan, the City may be eligible to submit projects to the following grant programs.

WSDOT City Safety Program

WSDOT Local Programs sends out a call for projects each even-numbered year. This program's funding is for projects enhancing safety on city streets by reducing the severity of crashes and utilizing transportation engineering improvements and countermeasures.

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/LocalPrograms/Traffic/CitySafetyProgram>

WSDOT Pedestrian and Bicycle Program

WSDOT Active Transportation Program sends out a call for projects each even-numbered year. The Pedestrian and Bicycle Program objective is to improve the transportation system to enhance safety and mobility for people who choose to walk or bike.

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/LocalPrograms/ATP/funding.htm>

WSDOT Safe Routes to School Program

WSDOT sends out calls early in even numbered years for project awards in the following biennium. The purpose of the Safe Routes to Schools program is to improve safety and mobility for children by enabling and encouraging them to walk and bicycle to school. Funding from this program is for projects within two-miles of primary, middle and high schools (K-12).

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/LocalPrograms/SafeRoutes/funding.htm>

WSDOT Railway-Highway Crossings Program

Open call for projects depends on future federal funding and Washington State priorities. This program's funding is for projects enhancing safety at public grade crossings by reducing the severity of crashes and installing or upgrading protective mechanisms at railroad crossings.

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/localprograms/traffic/railway-crossings-program>

Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Complete Streets

The Complete Streets Award is a funding opportunity for local governments that have an adopted complete streets ordinance. Board approved nominators may nominate an agency for showing practice of planning and building streets to accommodate all users, including pedestrians, access to transit, cyclists, and motorists of all ages and abilities.

<http://www.tib.wa.gov/grants/grants.cfm?inav=3#other2>

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) - Urban

STBG – Urban is for jurisdictions above 5,000 population. The grant is approximately \$6 million per year, with grant applications due in July and grant awards in September. Previous funded projects include bringing urban roads and intersections up to urban standards. Projects need to have a balance of capacity, safety, and economic development to get funding.

<https://www.rtc.wa.gov/programs/tip/docs/tipcrit21.pdf>

STBG - Rural

STBG – Rural is for smaller jurisdictions and rural areas awards approximately \$1 million every other year (even-numbered years). Selection occurs with applications due in July and grant awards in September. Criteria are less stringent than urban, but support capacity, safety, and economic development. It has funded downtown improvements in smaller cities and for arterial preservation/safety on county road arterials that access cities.

<https://www.rtc.wa.gov/programs/tip/call/>

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program

This is available for projects that improve air quality. Available funding is approximately \$3 million per year, with applications due in July and September grant awards. CAQ has the same criteria as STBG-Urban, but air quality points are tripled. Mostly funded projects are signalized intersections and transit-related projects.

<https://www.rtc.wa.gov/programs/tip/call/>

Transportation Alternatives (TA)

Approximately \$1.3 million available every odd year (2023, 2025, etc.). Grant application due in April with grant awards in July. Criteria and process is outlined in

<https://www.rtc.wa.gov/programs/tap/docs/taGuidebook.pdf>. Has funded pedestrian/bicycle improvements.

Figure C2 shows some hot spots of at-intersection or intersection-related collisions at the following locations:

- N 65th and S 5th St
- S 5th St and NE 259th St
- S 5th St and NE 10th Ave
- NE 259th St and NE 10th Ave

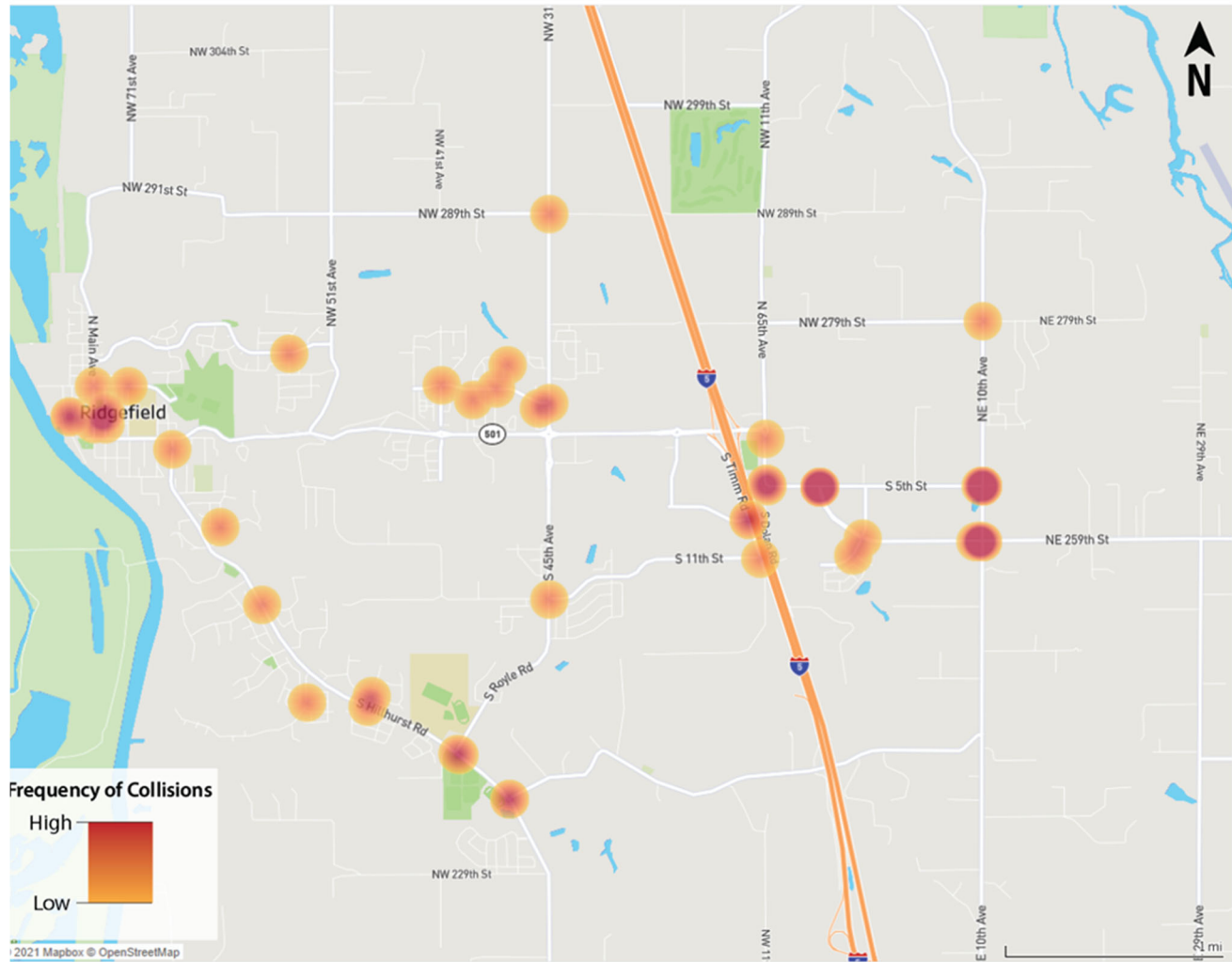


Figure C2. At Intersection or Intersection Related Collisions, Ridgefield, 2016-2020.

Figure C3 shows Dust/Dark/Dawn collisions in Ridgefield. Examples include:

- S Hillhurst Rd and NW 229th St
- NE 10th Ave and NE 259th St

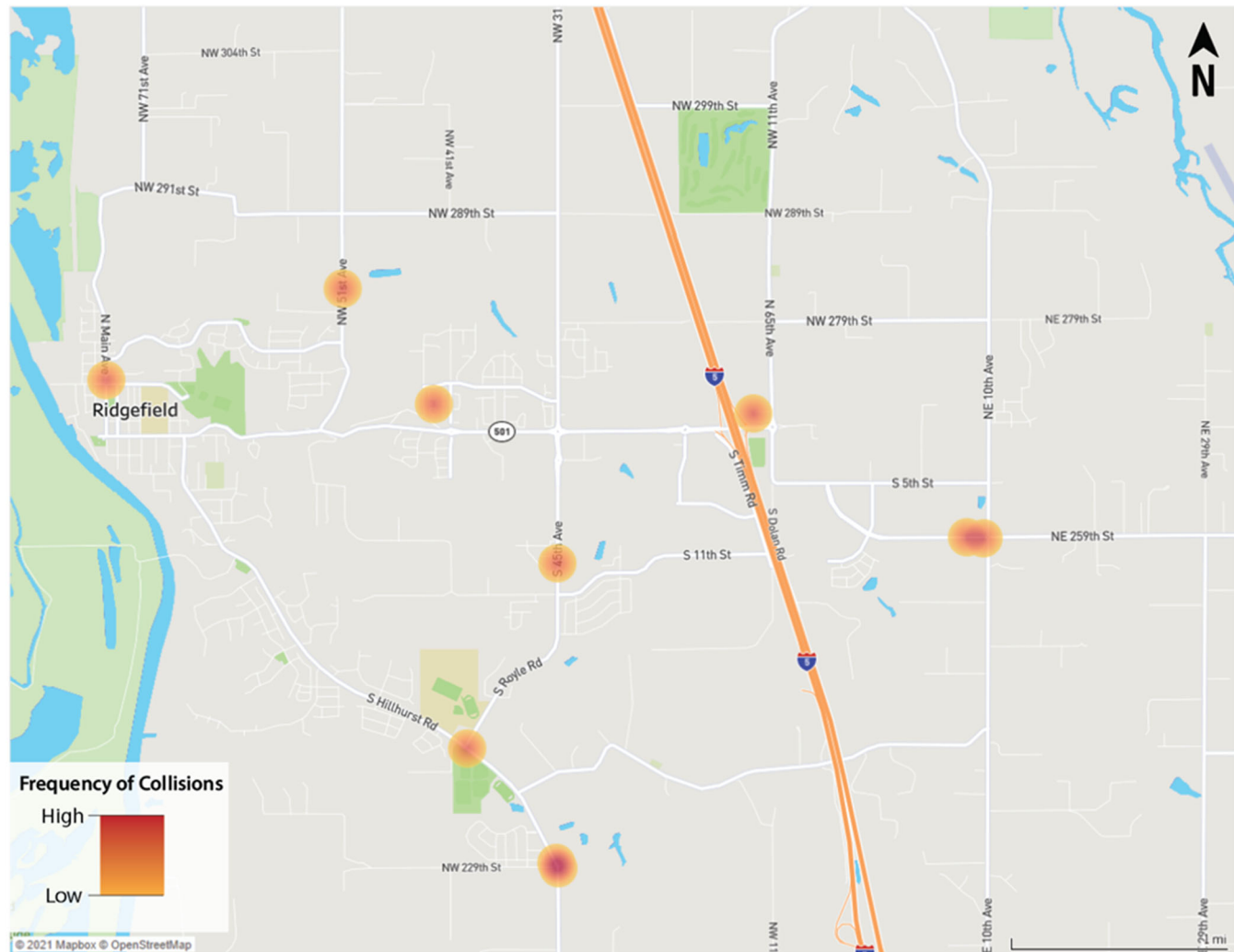


Figure C3. Dusk/Dark/Dawn Collisions, Ridgefield, 2016-2020.

Figure C4 presents the heat map of all the collisions occurring on wet roads.

Several locations show clusters of wet-road collisions.

- S Hillhurst Rd
- Intersections along S 5th St
- NE 10th Ave and NE 259th St
- Downtown Ridgefield

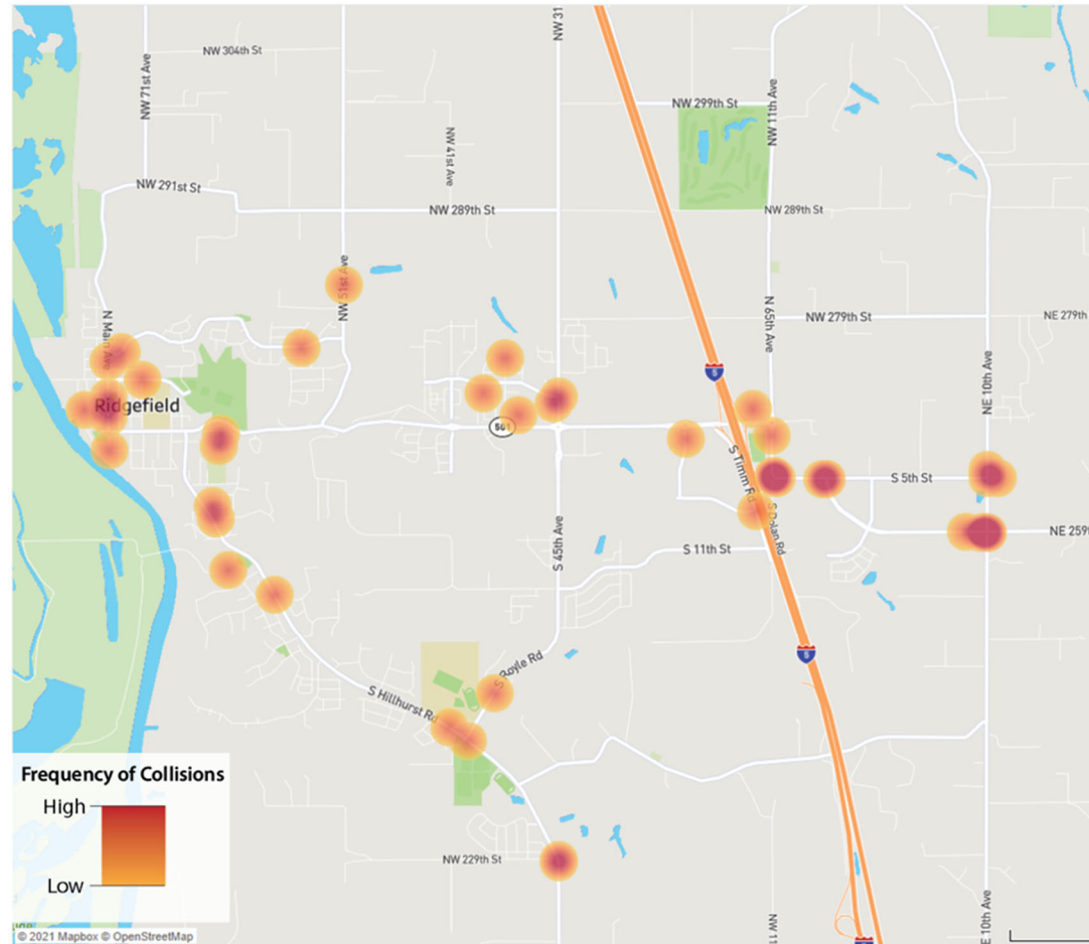


Figure C4. Collisions on Wet Roads, Ridgefield, 2016-2020

