

Lower Village Bicycle and Pedestrian Scoping Study

Local Concerns Meeting
July 29, 2014

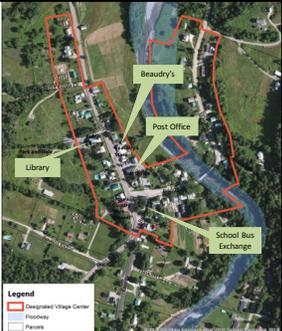


Background

- Town applied for a grant from VTrans to study bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- Lower Village Designation Area is defined as the study area.



Project Area



Tonight's Meeting

- Review Background and Goals
- Process and Schedule
- Review and Discuss:
 - Existing Conditions
 - Goals and Concerns
 - Past/Ongoing Projects
 - Concepts from Other Communities

Project Goals

- **"To prepare a scoping report that identifies potential bicycle and pedestrian improvement strategies in Huntington's Lower Village.** Selected strategies will not only **improve transportation options** in this, the primary settlement area of Town, but lead to **public safety benefits** as well. The combination of **increased vehicle traffic** with local **pedestrian and bicycle** activity means the potential for **dangerous conflicts** is growing. Implementation of this scoping report's recommendations should alleviate these conditions."

Existing Conditions

- Traffic Volume
- Speeds
- Crashes
- Pedestrians
- Bicycles
- Right-of-way
- Environmental Resources

Project Team

- Barbara Elliot, Huntington Town Administrator
- Peter Keating, Senior Transportation Planner, CCRPC
- DuBois & King, Project Consultants
 - Lucy Gibson, P.E., Project Manager
- Project Committee:

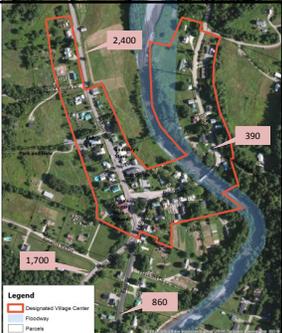
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• Roman Livak	• Knox Cummin
• Nancy Stoddard	• Mark Smith
• Deborah Worthley	• Aaron Worthely

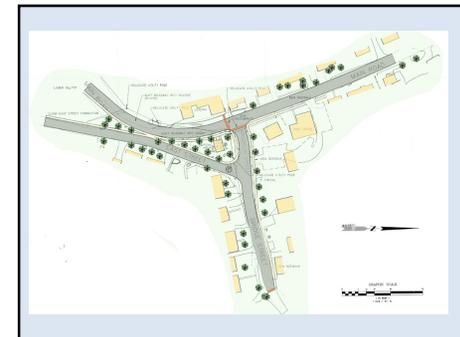
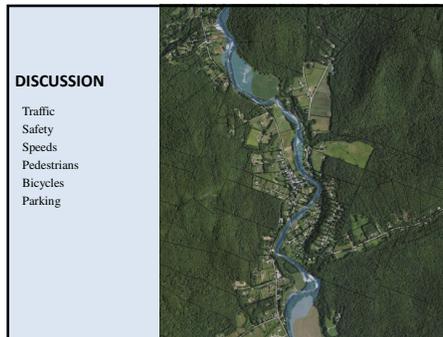
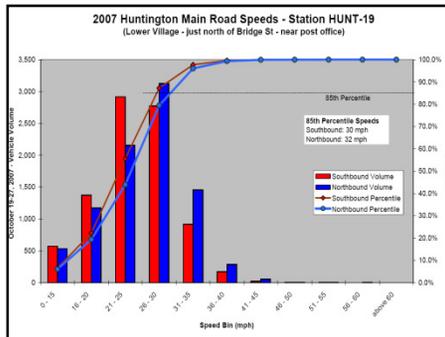
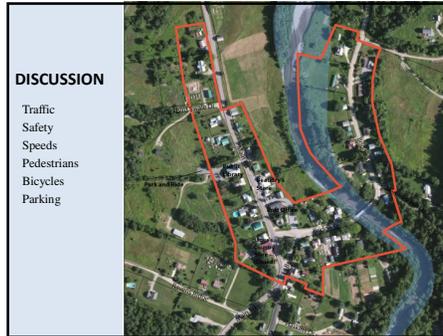
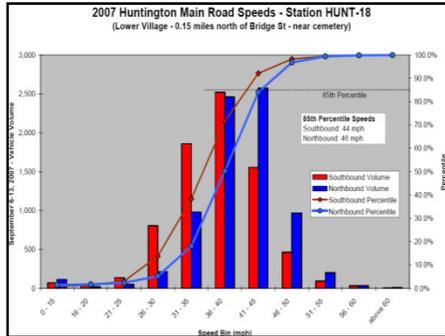
Village Goals

- "... To provide residential opportunities and community services **efficiently**, ... Promote safe and efficient pedestrian and other transportation capability, and encourage the social and cultural aspects of neighborhood community life. **Pedestrian and bicycle uses are prioritized without sacrificing automobile accessibility.**

Volumes

- Average Daily Traffic Volumes from CCRPC and VTrans
- Recent Trends show flat growth



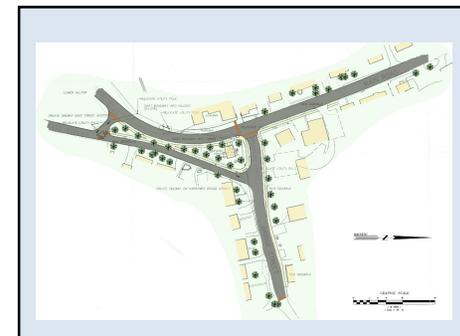


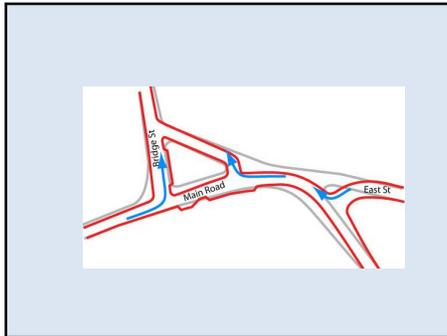
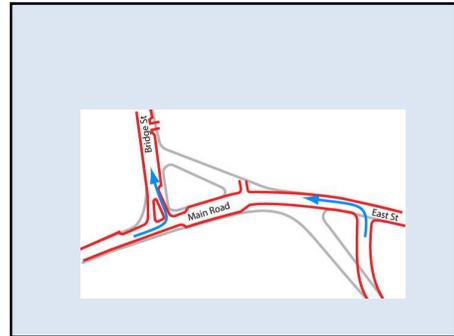
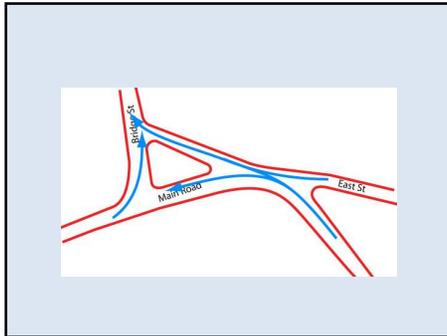
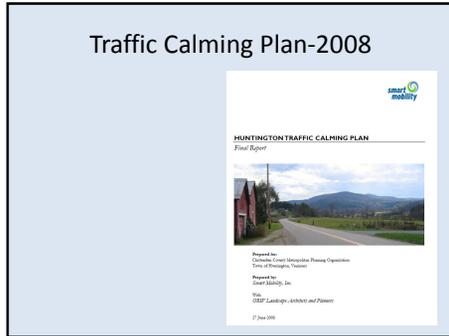
Crashes

- One minor crash reported in past 5 years in study area, related to parking at Beaudry's.
- East Street intersection has been of concern.
- Local observations?

Build on past and ongoing work

- Intersection Reconfiguration Options (2000)
- Traffic Calming Study (2008)
- Village Code (2011)
- Pavement Study (2012)





Main Road Pavement Evaluation

- Recommended full depth reconstruction and providing stormwater drainage infrastructure in Lower Village.
- Opportunity to establish curb line; integrate streetscape and natural stormwater management.

Wiltshire, UK Before/After




- Research found lower speeds, fewer crashes with this treatment.

THANK YOU!



Discussion

- Streetscape (Jericho, Danville)
- Diversions and Public Art
- Shared Space/Civil Street Design (Dorset, UK)
- Suggestion Lanes (UK, Netherlands)
- Others?

Next Steps

	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
Public Meeting								
Develop Alternatives								
Public Workshop								
Refine Alternatives								
Cost and Feasibility								
Final Meeting and Report								