

County Road 44 and Hwy 14 Intersection Project



Project Overview

Olmsted County, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), is planning improvements at County Road (CR) 44 and Highway (Hwy) 14. The project is studying long-term solutions that improve safety and mobility while accommodating future regional growth.

Project Goals

- Improve safety for drivers and pedestrians
- Improve mobility for regional commuters and freight haulers
- Improve access for existing commercial and residential properties
- Enhance future growth and economic development

Project Background

The Rochester region is one of the fastest growing areas in Minnesota, and Hwy 14 is an important east-west corridor. In 2008, Olmsted County and other key stakeholders began working to address safety and mobility issues and proactively plan for growth along the western edge of Rochester.

Recommendations and improvements have been made along Hwy 14, but safety issues are still a concern at CR 44 and Hwy 14 intersection. MnDOT is planning interim safety improvements at the intersection and the CR 44 and Hwy 14 Intersection Project is studying potential long-term solutions to improve safety and mobility while accommodating future regional growth.



Project Website



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Please visit the project page on the County website to view meeting materials and sign-up for email updates at bit.ly/3zuf7Kp

Hwy 14 Intersection Safety Improvements

Byron to Rochester



MnDOT, Olmsted County, and local townships are working together to make Hwy 14 safer. For over a year MnDOT met with business owners, community members, and partners. The goal was to find options that could be installed quickly and reduce the most severe and fatal crashes.

MnDOT has evaluated the options and selected these changes:

Hwy 14 and 7th St. NW

Permanently close the median. Vehicles will still be able to exit and enter, or right-in right-out, however not cross Hwy 14. This change significantly reduces right-angle high-speed crashes, also known as t-bone crashes, which often result in serious injuries or death.

Hwy 14 and Co. Rd. 44

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Hwy 14 and Co. Rd. 3

Construct a reduced conflict intersection (RCI) in 2023. Other interim safety changes, like the installation of flashing warning signs to alert drivers at the intersection, will be installed this summer to help draw driver's attention to the dangerous crossing.

Hwy 14 and Country Club Rd.


Close Country Club Rd. in 2023 when the RCI at Olmsted Co. Rd. 3 is constructed.


High-tension cable median barrier

In 2023, high-tension cable median barriers will be installed along the Hwy 14 ditch. This change will not affect safety at intersections, but significantly reduce head-on cross-over crashes which are often result in serious injuries or death.

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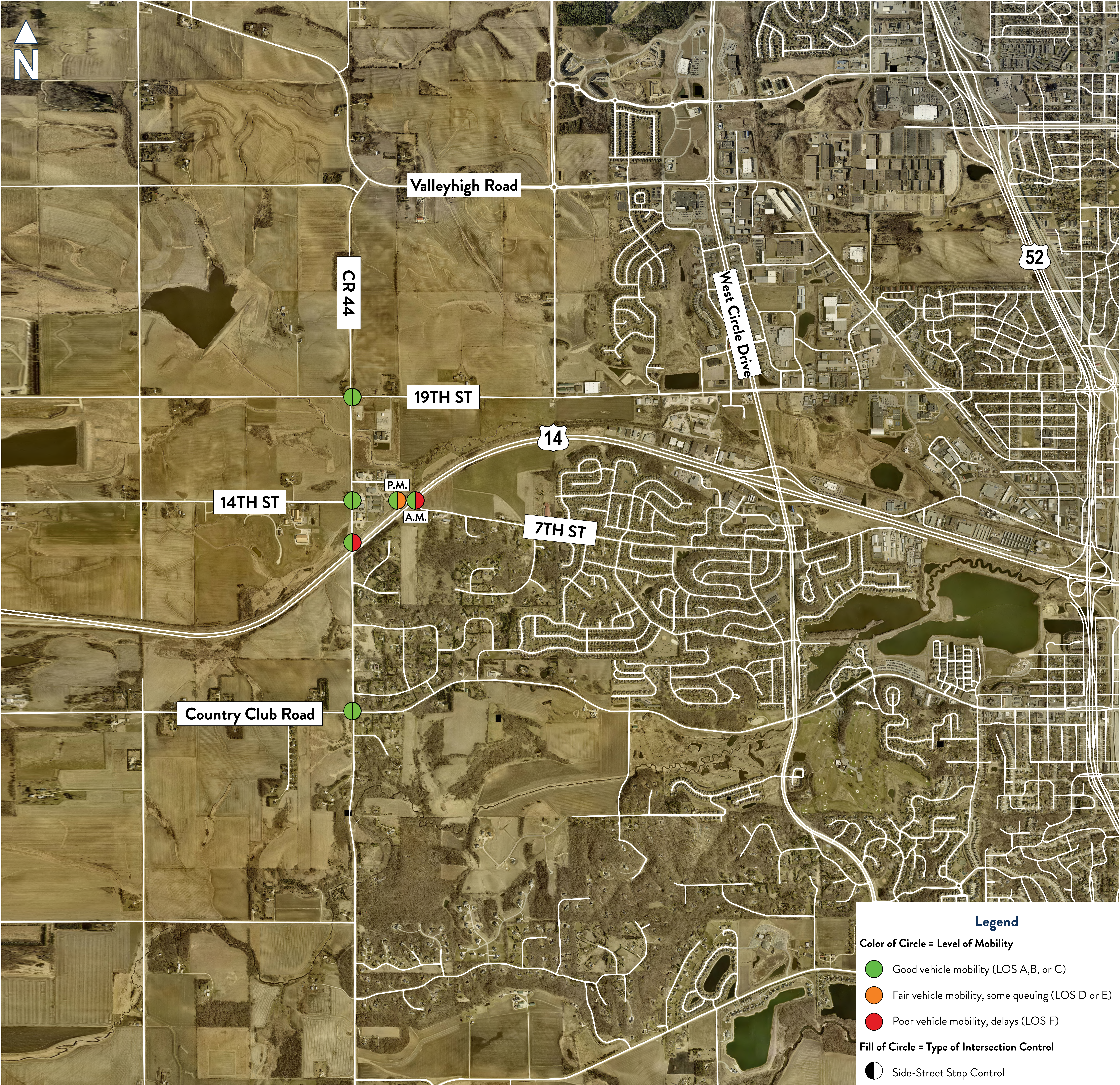
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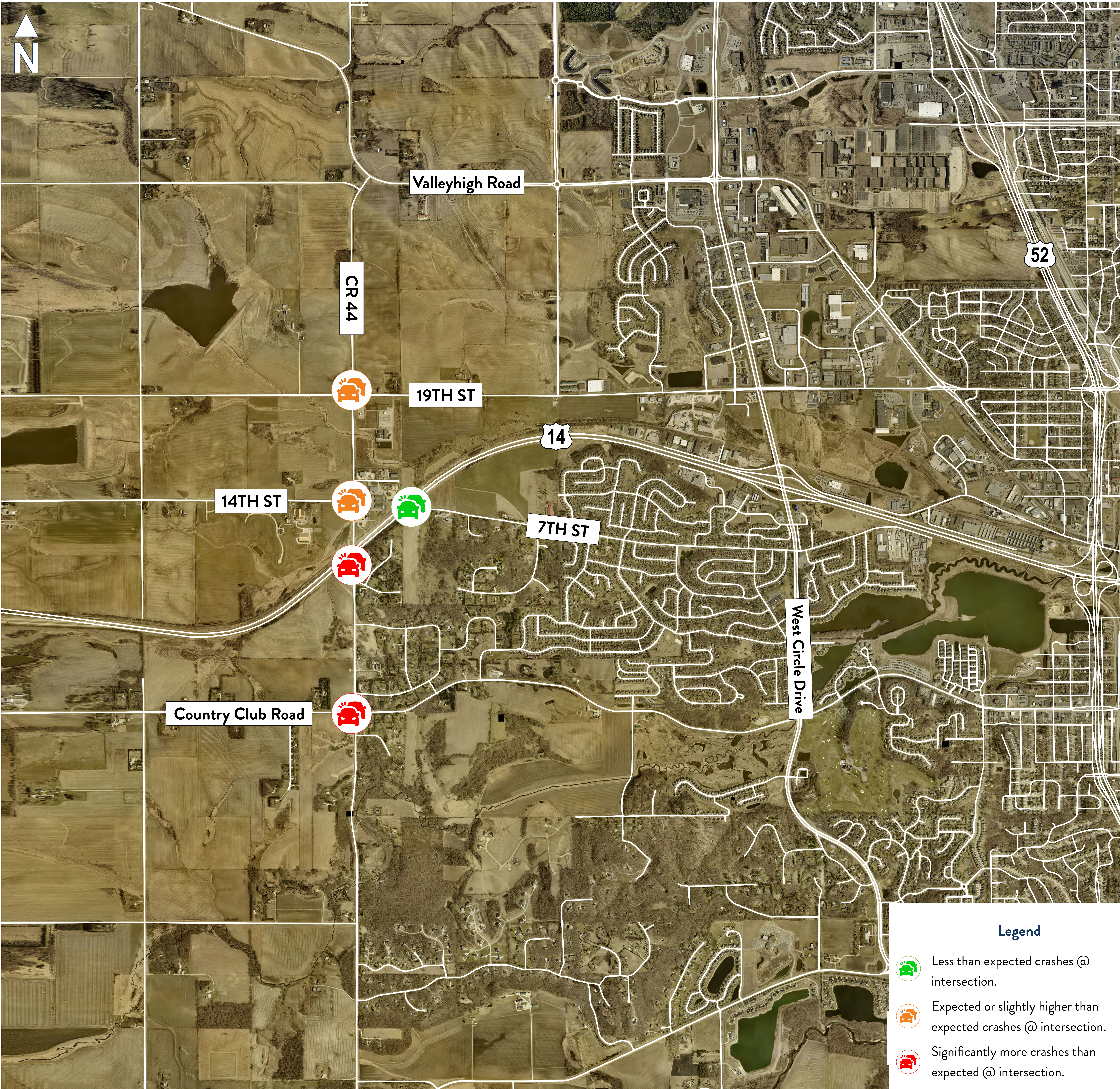
Project Information:

mndot.gov/d6/projects/hwy14-intersection



Legend

- Color of Circle = Level of Mobility**
- Good vehicle mobility (LOS A,B, or C)
 - Fair vehicle mobility, some queuing (LOS D or E)
 - Poor vehicle mobility, delays (LOS F)
- Fill of Circle = Type of Intersection Control**
- Side-Street Stop Control





Valleyhigh Road

CR 44

19TH ST

Rochester

52

14

7TH ST

West Circle Drive

14TH ST

Country Club Road

City of Byron

