

# Welcome!

County State Aid Highway  
(CSAH) 1 (CSAH 47 to CSAH 16)  
Reconstruction Project  
Open House

*Please sign in here.*



# About the Project

Reconstruction and Realignment of about 3 miles of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 from CSAH 16 in Simpson to the roundabout at CSAH 47.

The two primary project goals include:

- 1) Address poor pavement condition.
- 2) Address three substandard horizontal curves to reduce crash risk, improve driver comfort, and reduce unnecessary traffic delays.

Additional project aspects include:

- Right Turn Lanes at all public roads
- Left Turn Lanes at County Rd (CR) 111 (55th St SE) and CSAH 16
- Upgrading substandard shoulders
- Drainage infrastructure improvements

## PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS



*Shoulder and turn lane improvements*



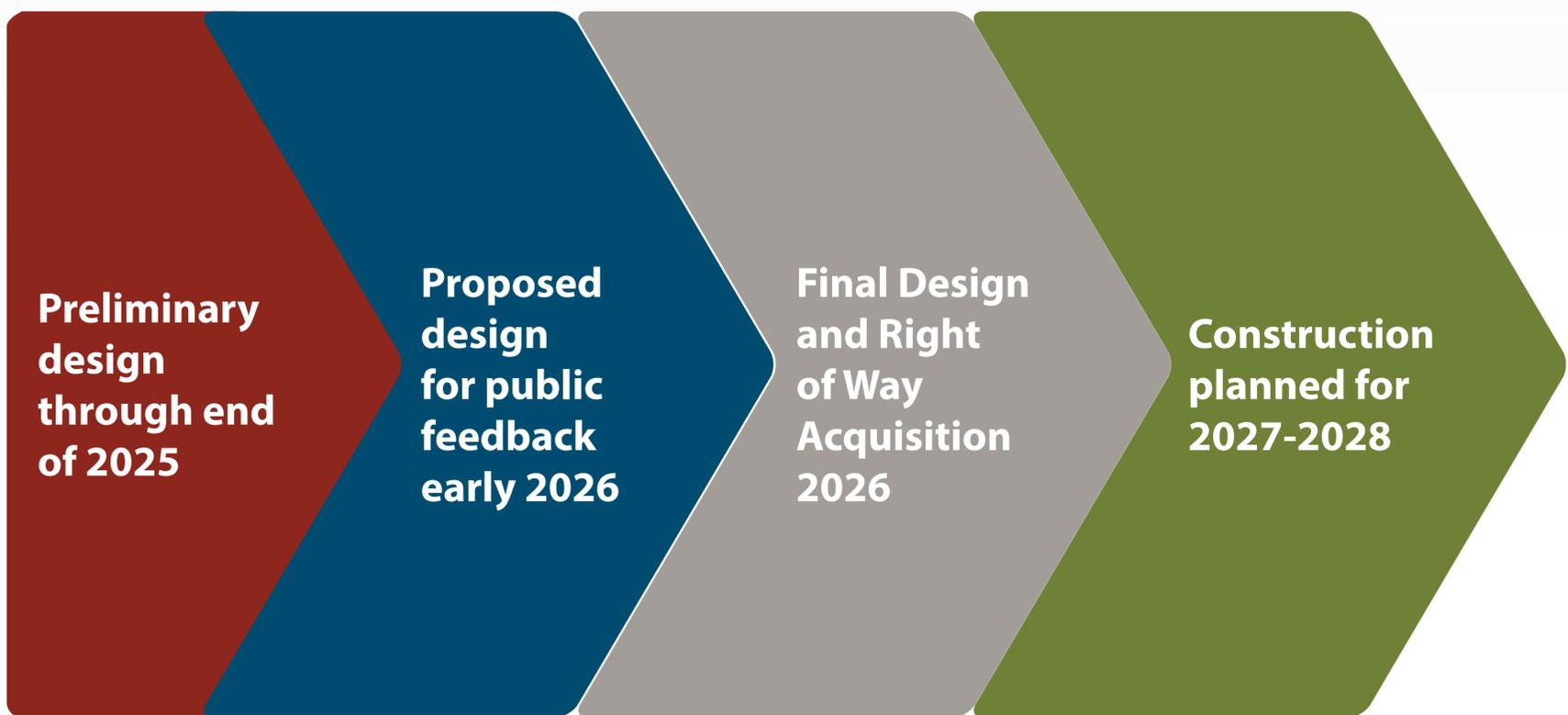
*Drainage infrastructure improvements*



*Curve safety improvements*

## SCHEDULE

Construction is expected to begin in 2027, which presents an immediate need for a preliminary engineering and public outreach effort to build consensus around a future vision for the corridor and ensure compatibility with other planned resources.



# Open House 1 Public Engagement Summary

## ENGAGEMENT STATS

### In Person Open House

July 16, 2025



39 attendees



1 comment card

### Online Comment Period

July 16- 30, 2025 (2 Weeks)



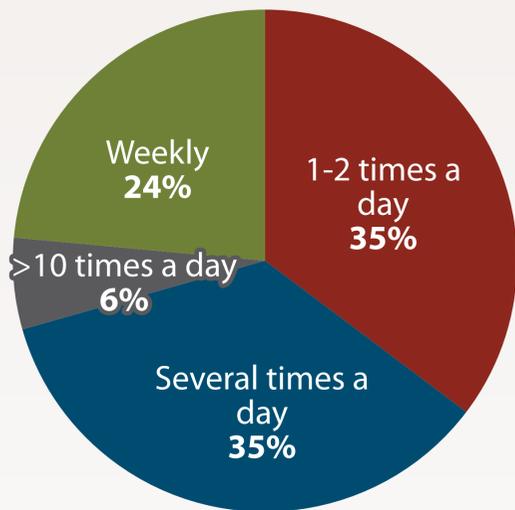
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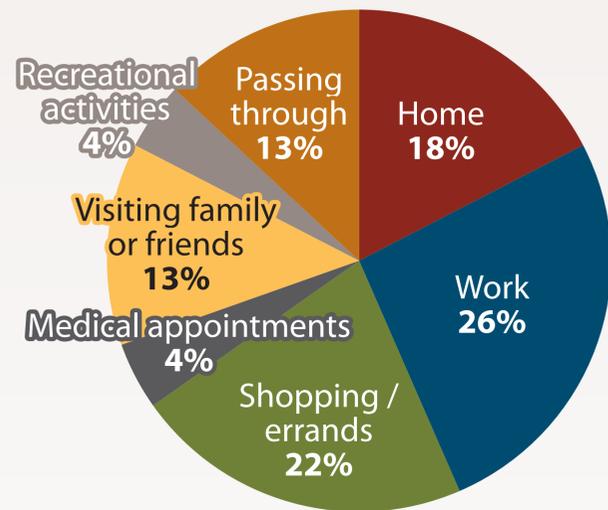
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## Public Feedback

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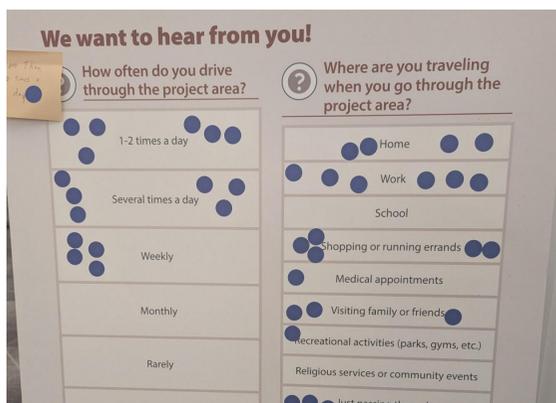


Where are you traveling when you go through the project area?



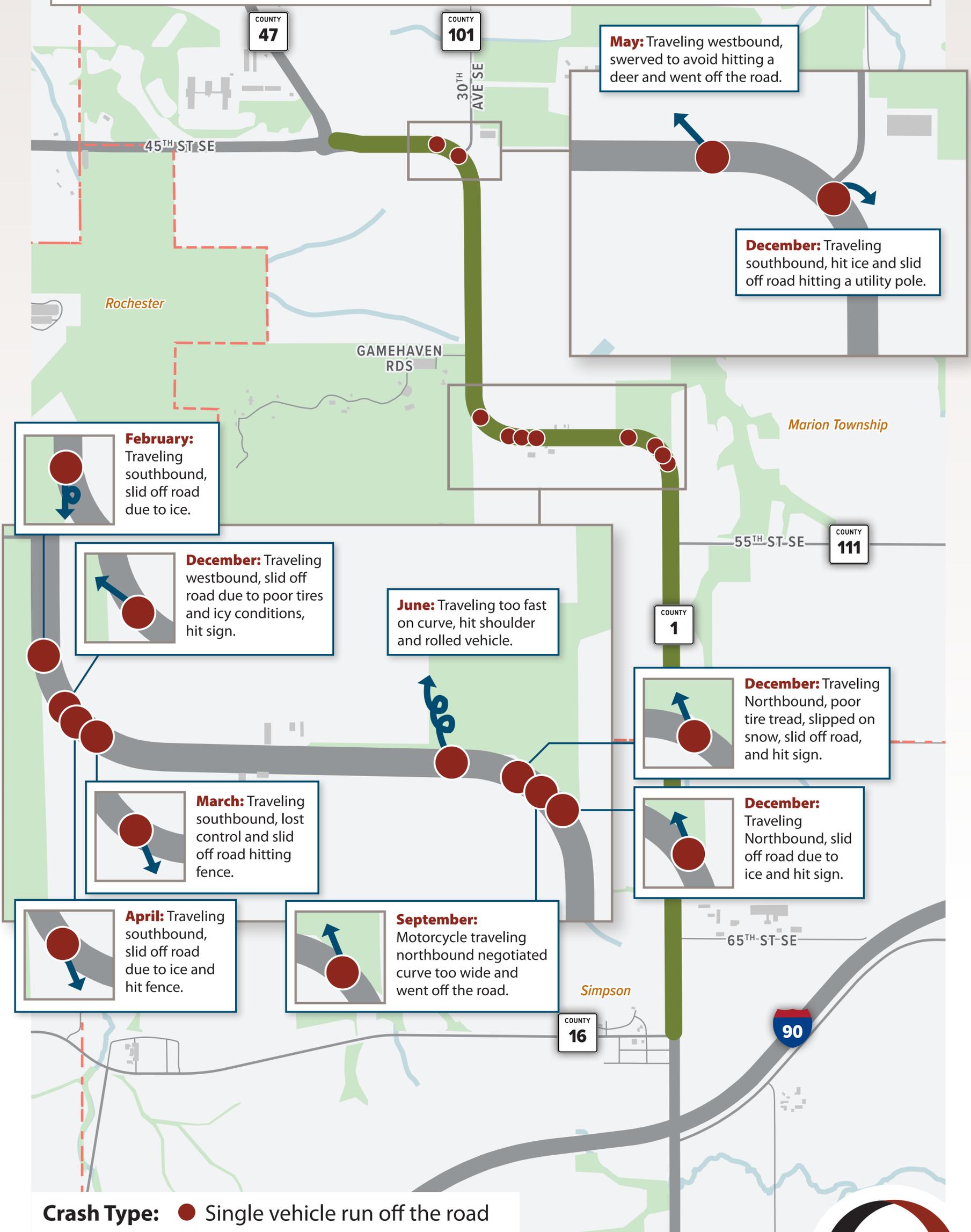
## Q&A

Question/Comment	Answer
<b>What is the purpose of this project?</b>	The pavement is in poor condition and while this is being addressed, safety needs are being evaluated as well. The curves do not meet current design standards.
<b>Do you have a plan for detours yet?</b>	The project is not far enough along for us to have those at this time, we will communicate the detour routes as soon as we are able.
<b>When will construction take place?</b>	Grading of the new roadway will occur the summer of 2027. The aggregate base will be left over the winter with pavement placed the following summer in 2028.
<b>Is one option cheaper than the other?</b>	We are very early in preliminary design and have not developed cost estimates, however, the costs between the two alternatives should be similar.



# Crash Data Summary

From 2020 through present (5-years) there have been a total of 10 reported crashes along project area. All ten crashes were single vehicle run off road - one type A serious injury crash, one type C possible injury and eight property damage only crashes. All crashes are located in proximity to sub-standard horizontal curves. These statistics do not account for instances where vehicles ran off the road and continued without reporting their incident.

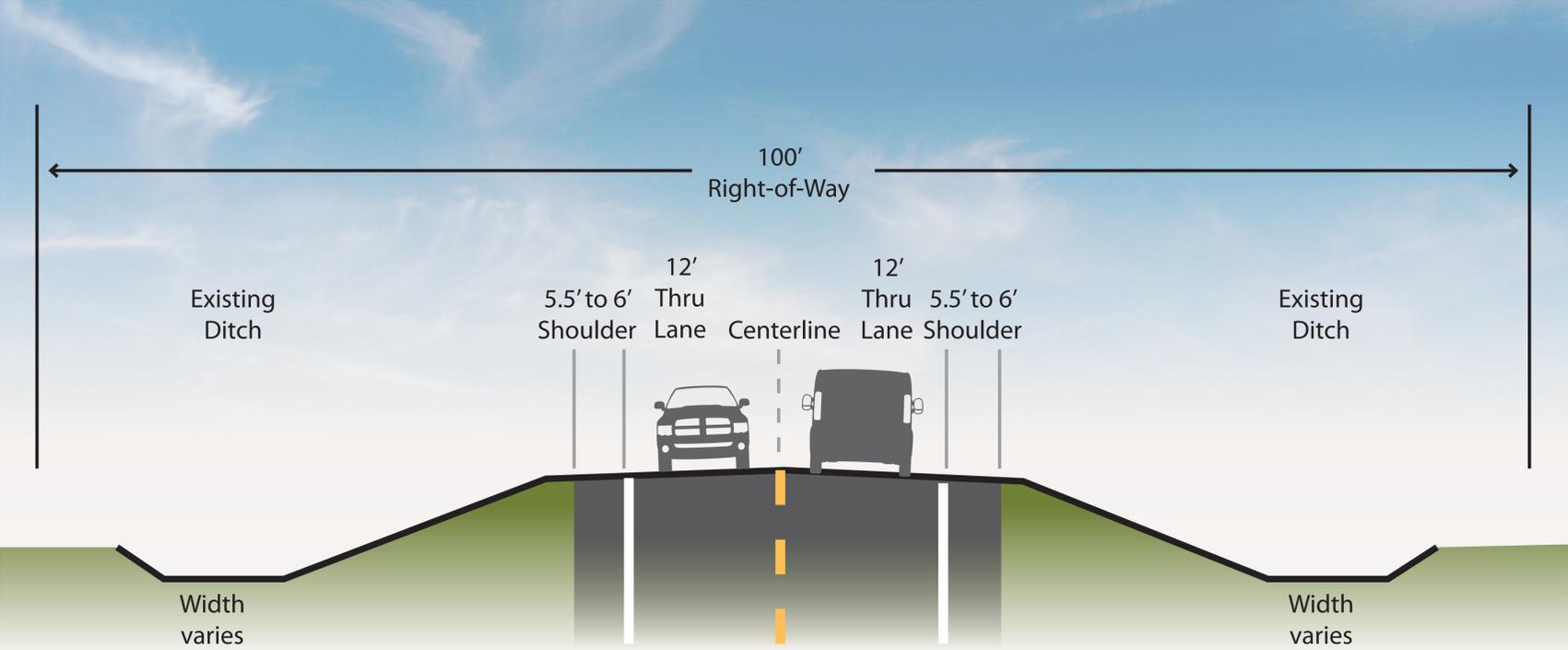


**Crash Type:** ● Single vehicle run off the road

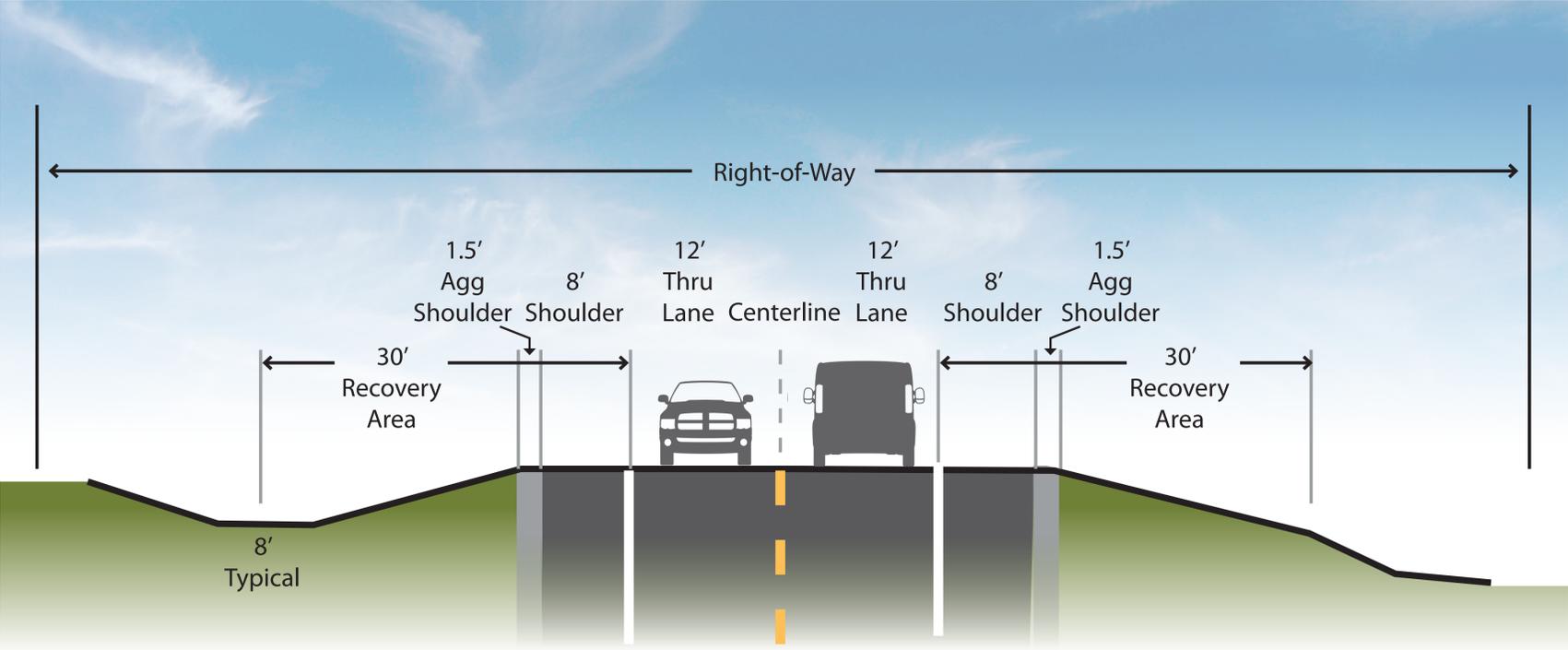


# Existing/ Proposed Conditions

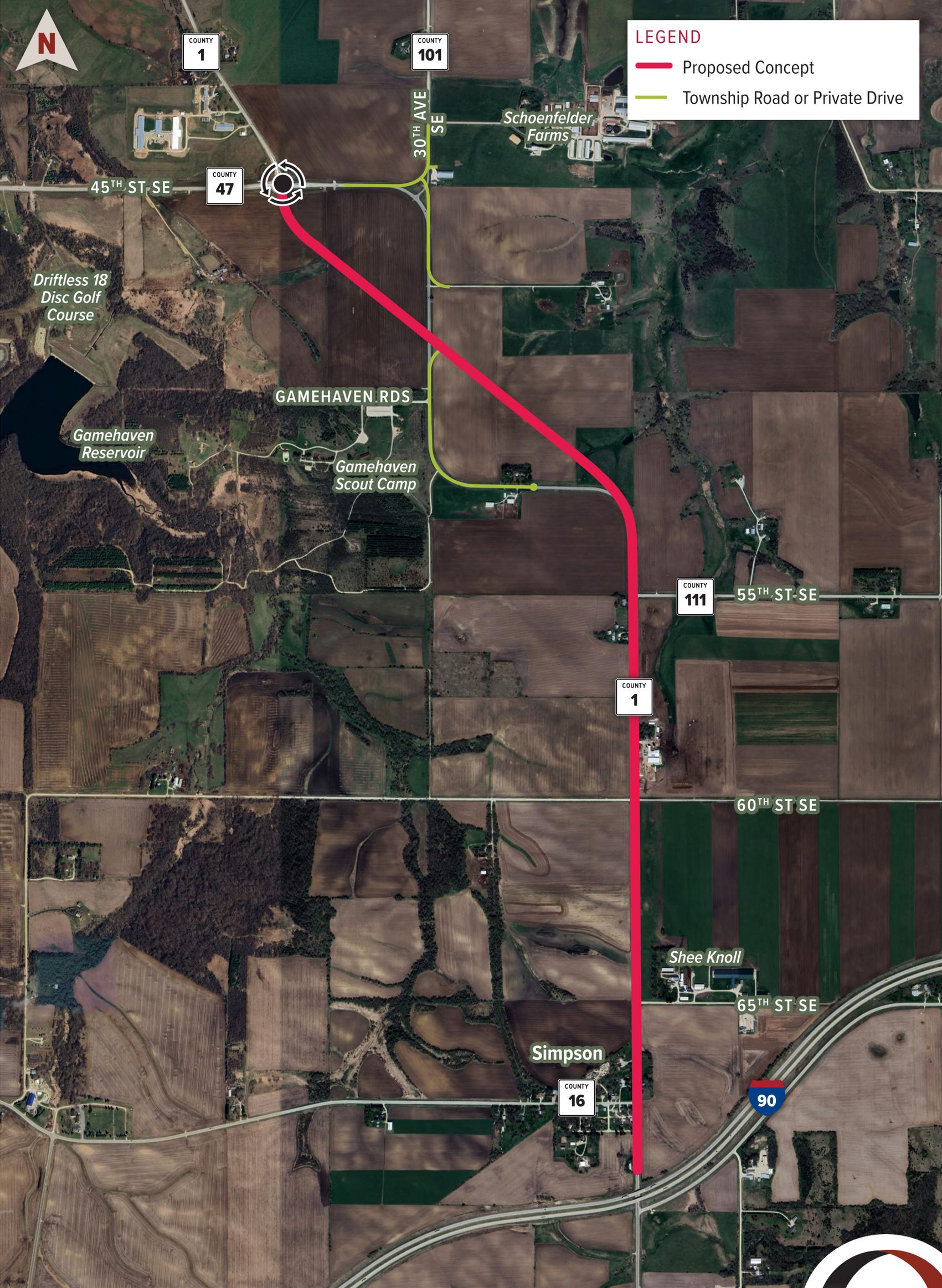
## EXISTING CONDITIONS – TYPICAL



## PROPOSED CONDITIONS



# Proposed Concept



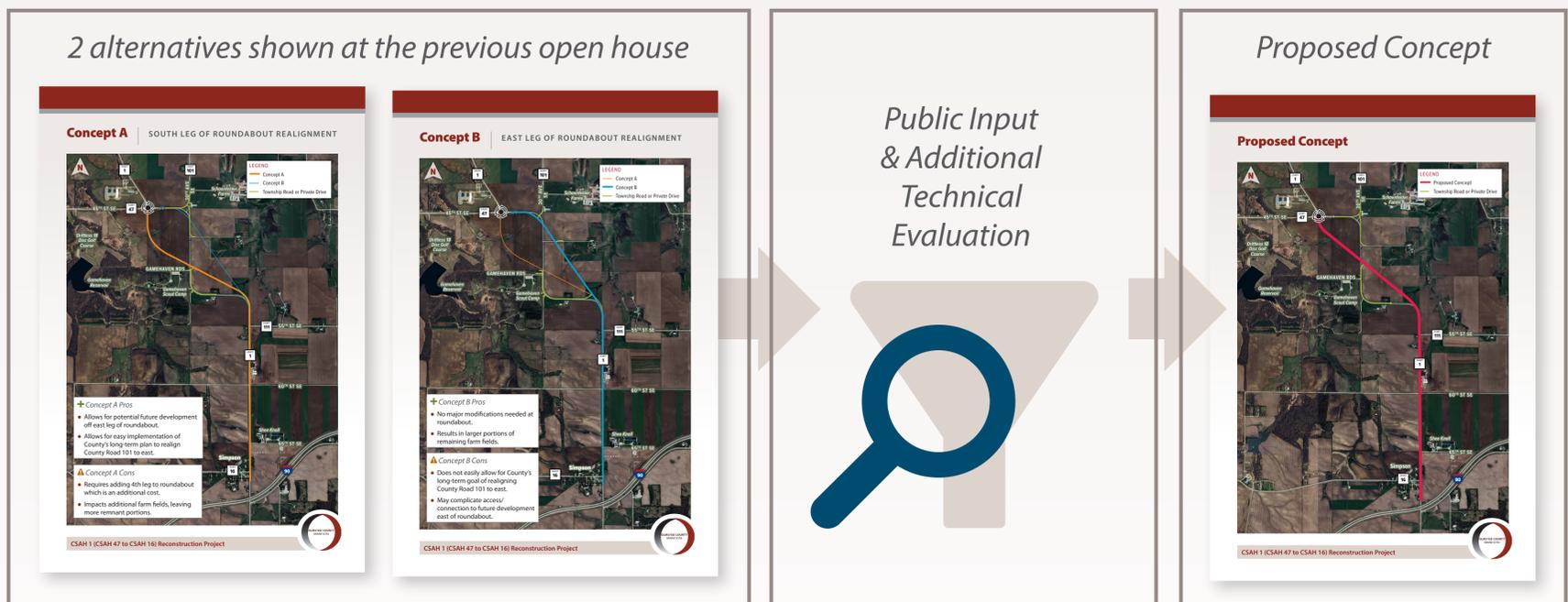
# How We Got Here

## WHY CAN'T WE KEEP THE EXISTING ALIGNMENT?



The curves along County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 do not meet today's standards, and the pavement is due for repair. Safety is also a concern with the current curves – all crashes in the last 5 years have been a single vehicle run off road at or near the curves. In order to use Minnesota State Aid funding to pay for the pavement repairs, the curves must be realigned to improve safety and meet standards for the roadway speed.

## PROCESS AND CONCEPTS CONSIDERED



## BENEFITS OF THE SELECTED ALTERNATIVE (improved version of Concept A)



Concept A maintains the east leg connection to the roundabout, allowing for a potential new roadway connection to the east in the future



This improved version of Concept A minimizes impacts to farm fields compared to the previous version

