

# *Pacific Avenue/Wilma Chan Way Crossing Improvements and Nearby Neighborhood Greenways*

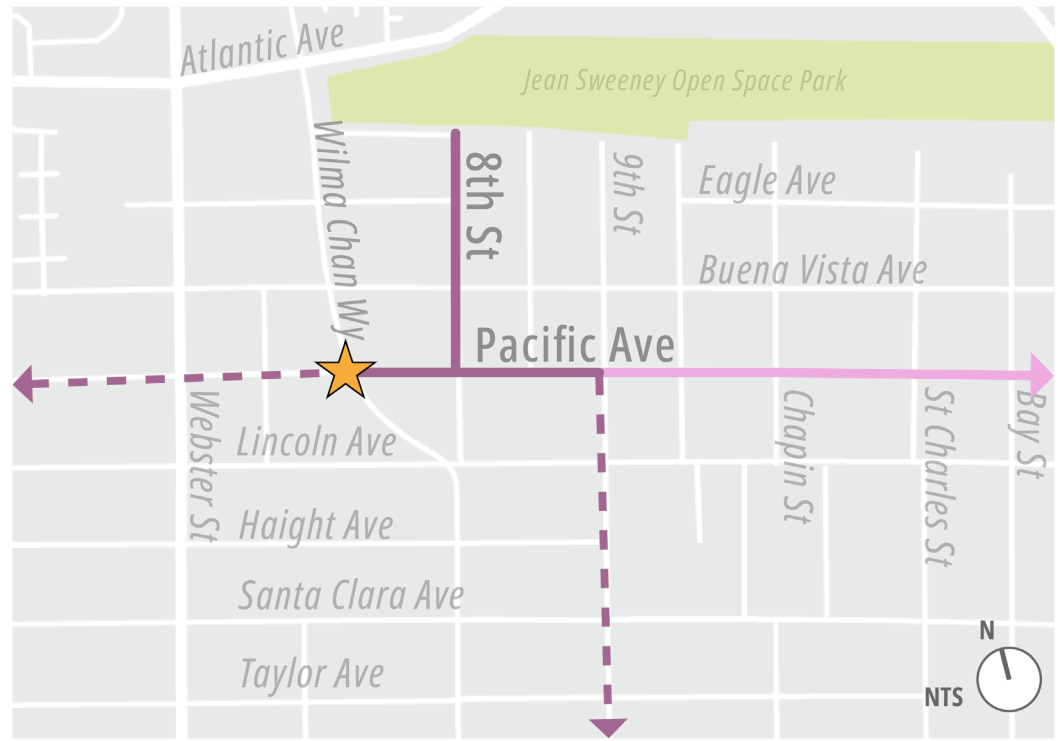
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# Project Location

- Pacific Ave Crossing at Wilma Chan Way
- Pacific Ave from Wilma Chan Way to 9th St
- 8<sup>th</sup> St from Jean Sweeney Park to Pacific Ave



## Legend

- Proposed Project (Phase 2)
- - - Future Phase 2
- Slow Streets Segment (Phase 1 - Late 2026)
- ★ Study Intersection

# What are Neighborhood Greenways?



Streets designed to give priority to people walking and biking, and improve safety of crossings



Allow bicyclists and motorists to safely share the road on low-volume, low-speed, local streets



Goals: (1) Lower vehicle speeds  
(2) Lower vehicle volumes  
(3) Improve crossings



# Active Transp. Plan sets the vision for people of all ages and abilities.

*Alameda will be a city where people of all ages, abilities, income levels and backgrounds can safely, conveniently, and comfortably walk, bike, and roll (using wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and micro mobility devices) to their destinations and to transit.*

*Adopted by City Council in 2022*



City of Alameda  
Active Transportation Plan

Adopted December 20, 2022





### 2030 Low Stress Backbone Network

Connected network of low-stress facilities (shared use paths, separated bike lanes, and neighborhood greenways) prioritized for construction by 2030. Subset of Low Stress Bikeway Vision Network.

- Amtrak Station
- BART Station
- Ferry Terminal
- Schools and Libraries
- Parks
- Parks (future)
- Shopping Centers and Business Districts
- Hospital
- Municipal and Other

#### Bicycle Facilities

##### Existing

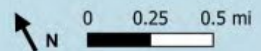
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- Neighborhood Greenway

##### Proposed

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- Low Stress Bikeway on Park or Oak – Type TBD

Webster: Phased approach to ultimate separated bike lane

All City of Alameda bikeway projects planned for construction through 2024 are marked as existing.



# Pacific Ave/Wilma Chan Crossing

## Intersection Design Goals



Improve safety for all road users

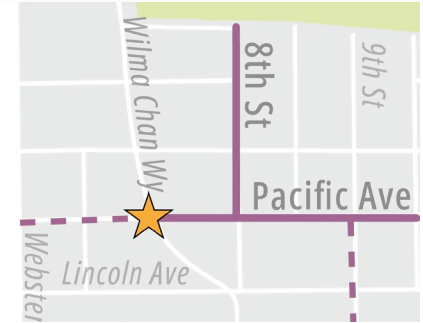


Make bicycle and pedestrian crossings of Wilma Chan Way safer and more comfortable

Maintain low traffic volumes on Pacific Avenue



Neighborhood Greenway



# Existing Conditions

- 4 lanes, 30 MPH prevailing speed on Wilma Chan Way
- Side street stop on Pacific Ave
- Poor sight distance
- Uncontrolled crosswalks with static warning signs

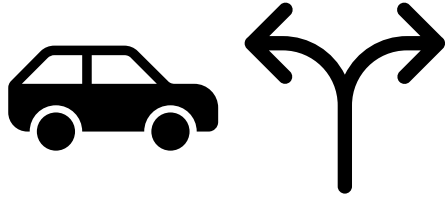


# The intersection has a history of broadside collisions.

- 9 reported injury collisions from 2014 -2025
- Most crashes were broadside collisions caused by drivers going to or from Pacific Ave
- No reported bicycle- or pedestrian-involved collisions



# Key design considerations for Pacific/Wilma Chan



**1. Vehicle Turn  
Restriction**

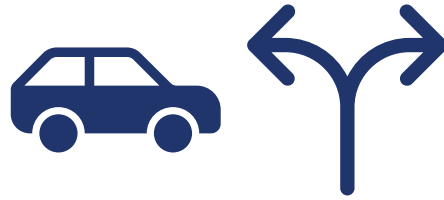


**2. Traffic  
Control**



**3. Bikeway  
Alignment**

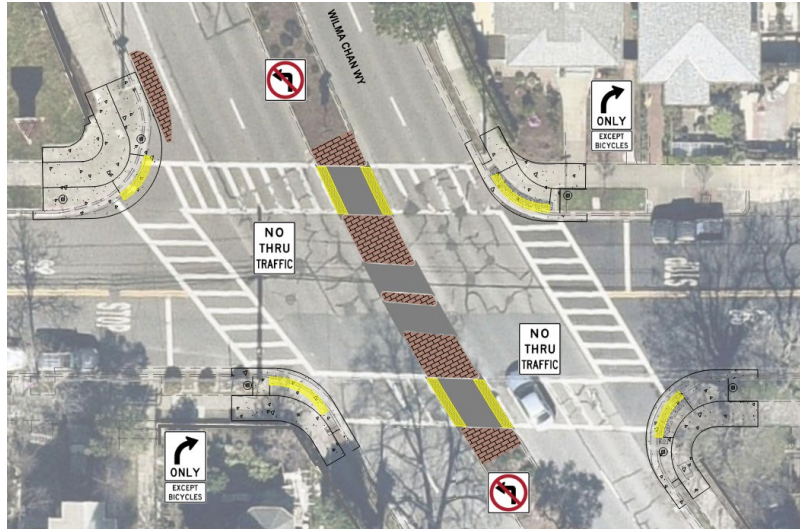




# *1. Vehicle Turn Restriction Options*



# Turn restriction options



Median vehicle diverter



No turn restriction  
(same as existing)



# Median diverter design features

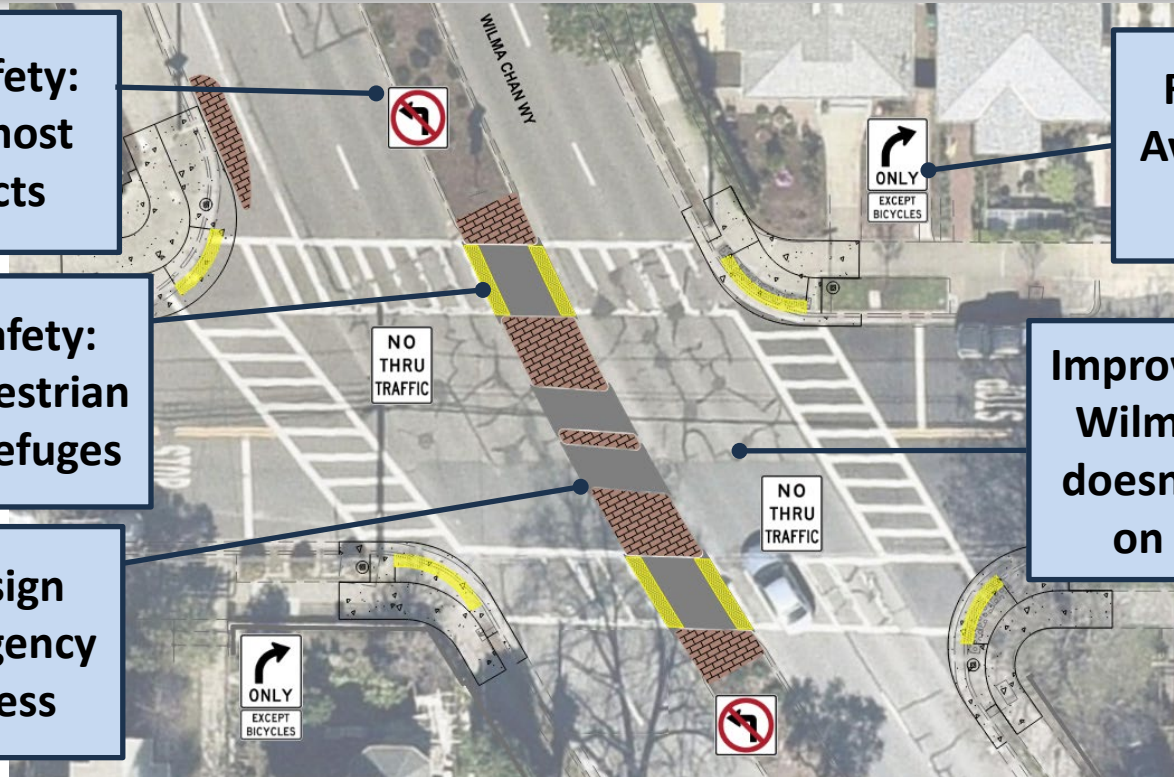
**Improves safety:  
eliminates most  
turn conflicts**

**Improves safety:  
provides pedestrian  
and bicycle refuges**

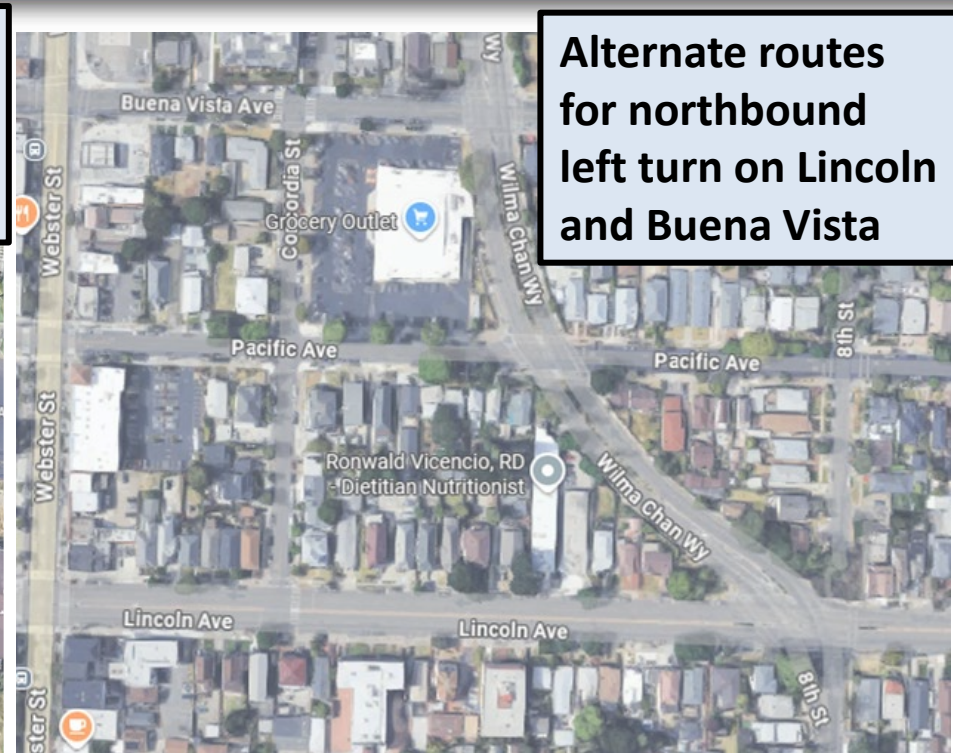
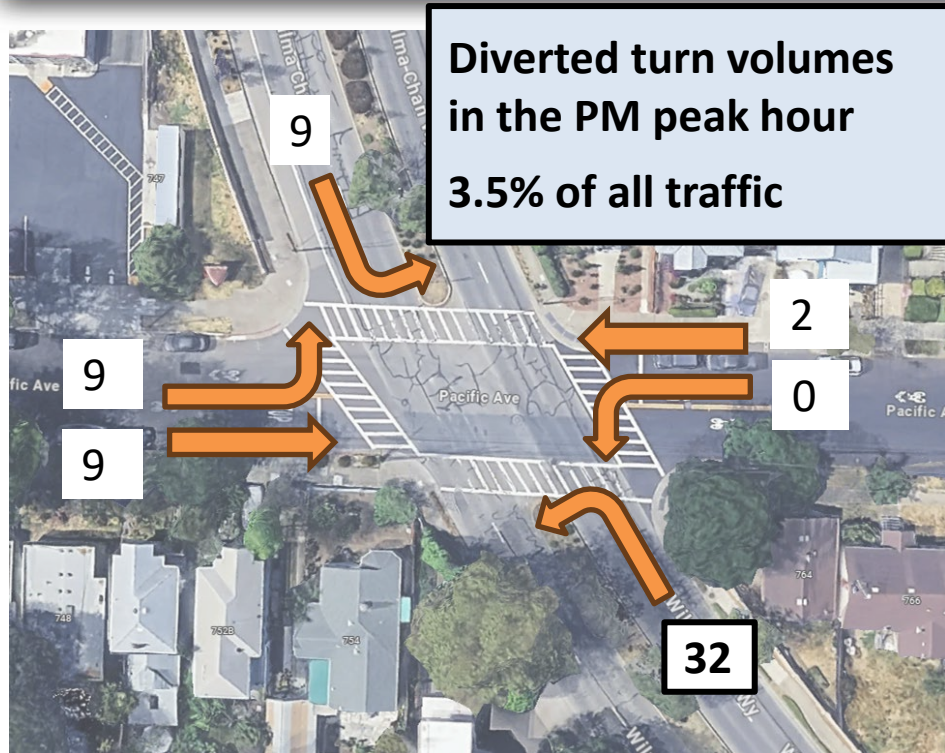
**Median design  
allows emergency  
vehicle access**

**Restricts Pacific  
Avenue to right in  
and out only**










**Improves traffic flow on  
Wilma Chan Way and  
doesn't increase traffic  
on Pacific Avenue**



# A small number of vehicles would be diverted to different routes.



# Project Goals: Median Diverter

Project Goal	With Median Diverter	Without Median Diverter (Existing)
Safety 	Eliminates Most Conflicts 	No Change 
Bike/Ped Crossing 	Provides Refuge 	No Change 
Pacific Ave Traffic Volume 	Maintains low volumes on Pacific 	No Change 

**Staff recommend the median diverter.**





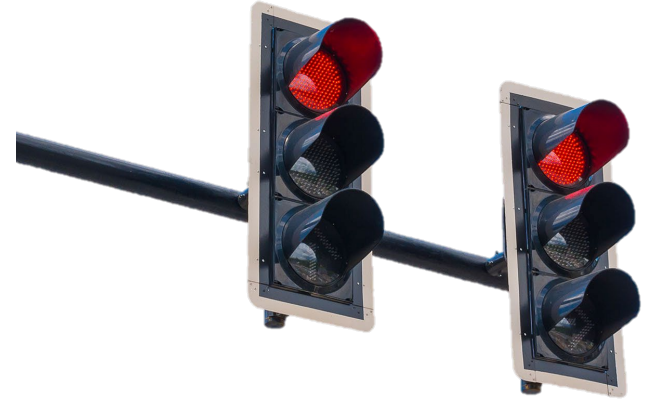
## *2. Traffic Control Options*



# Traffic Control Options



Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon



Traffic Signal



# What is a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon?

## Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons

### Crosswalk Users



**PUSH**  
the button

**STOP & WAIT**  
for the walk  
signal

**START CROSSING**  
& always watch  
for cars

**FINISH  
CROSSING**

### Roadway Users



**DRIVE**  
& look for people  
who plan to cross

**SLOW DOWN**  
someone has  
activated the push  
button










Prepare to  
**STOP**

**STOP**  
for pedestrian &  
treat this like any  
red light

**STOP FIRST**  
& proceed with  
caution if no one  
is present



# Project Goals: Traffic Control

Project Goal	Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon	Traffic Signal
Safety 	Improves bicycle pedestrian safety 	Improves safety for <u>all modes</u> 
Bike/Ped Crossing 	Stops traffic on Wilma Chan 	Stops traffic on Wilma Chan 
Pacific Ave Traffic Volume 	No Change without median 	<u>Increase</u> without median 

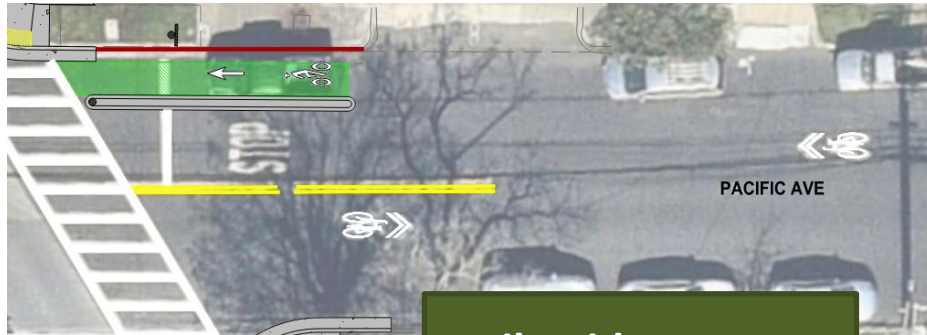




### ***3. Bikeway Alignment Options***



# Bikeway Alignment Options



**Right Side  
Bikeway**

**Bike riders move  
into right side bike  
lane at intersection**



**Left Side  
Bikeway**

**Bike riders move  
into left side bike  
lane at intersection**



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**Left Side Bikeway**

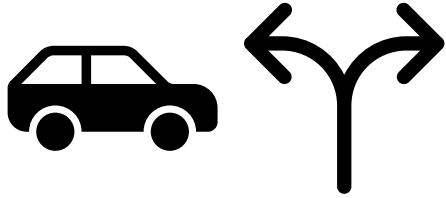


# Project Goals: Bikeway Alignment

Project Goal	Right Side Bikeway	Left Side Bikeway
Safety 	Improves Safety 	Improves Safety 
Bike/Ped Crossing 	Comfort varies by <u>user preference</u> 	Comfort varies by <u>user preference</u> 
Pacific Ave Traffic Volume 	No effect on traffic	No effect on traffic



# Design features can be mixed and matched, with limitations.



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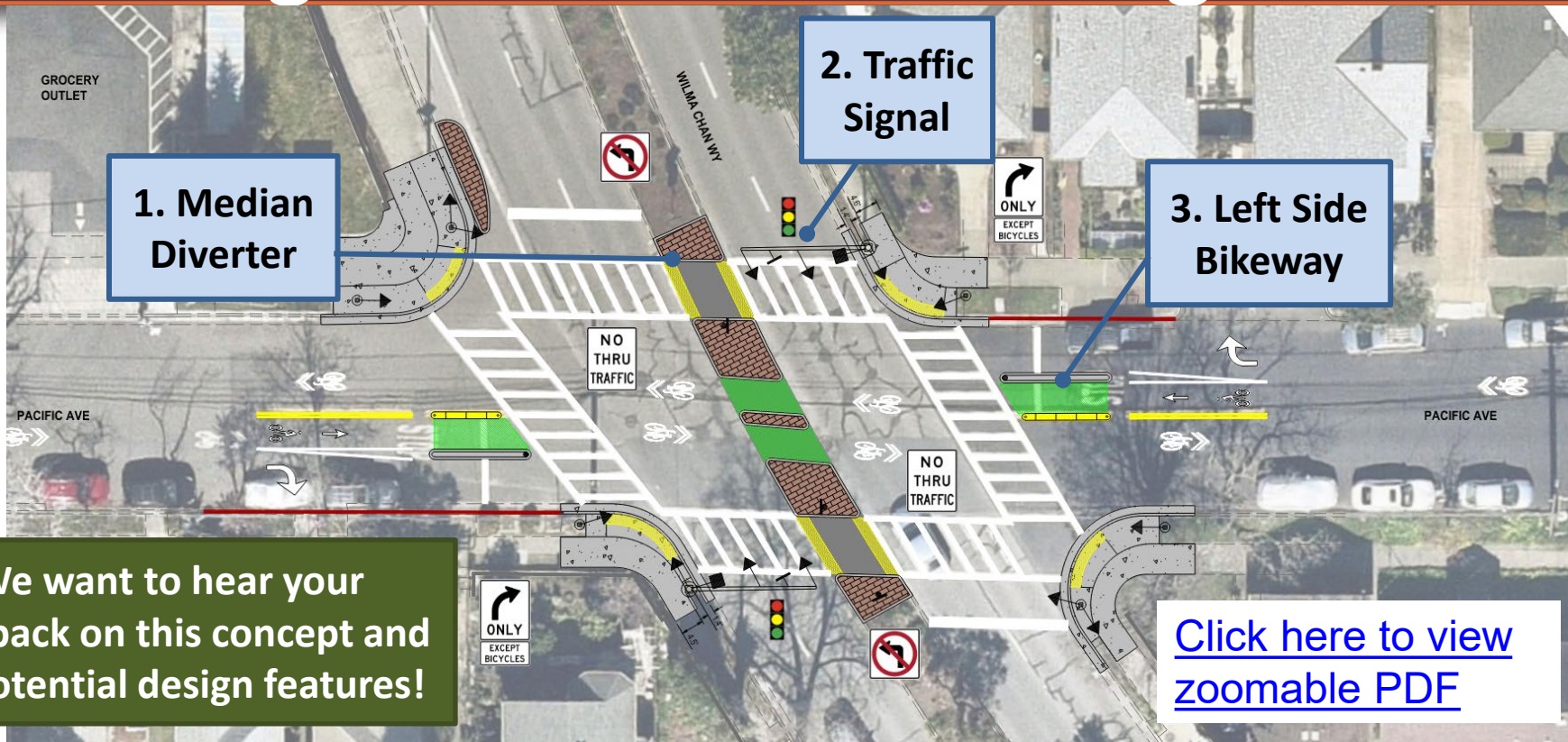
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# This concept shows one way to put it all together that achieves goals.



We want to hear your feedback on this concept and all potential design features!

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# What do you think?

1. Which design features would make you feel safer and more comfortable, and why?
2. Which design features do you have concerns about, and why?

Visit our workshop tables and complete the full survey online to share additional feedback!



# ***8<sup>th</sup> Street and Pacific Avenue Neighborhood Greenway Concepts***



# Neighborhood Greenway Traffic Calming Features



Neighborhood  
Traffic Circle

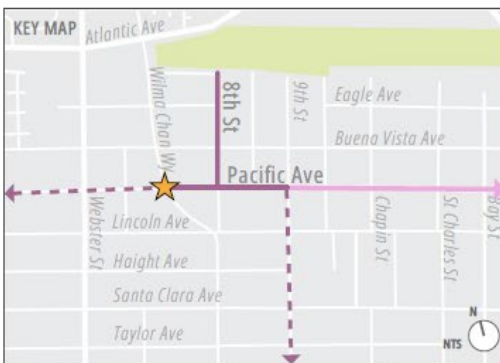


Asphalt Speed Hump



Painted Bulb-out with  
Hardened Centerline





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# What do you think?

1. What safety and comfort issues do you have biking or walking on these street segments today?
2. What traffic calming would you like to see?

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# Next steps

- **Today:** Visit our workshop tables to ask questions and share your input
- **By June 26:** Complete the full survey online to share additional feedback
- **July 22:** Transportation Commission public hearing with recommended concept

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