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# Spackenkill Rd Sidewalk Feasibility Study

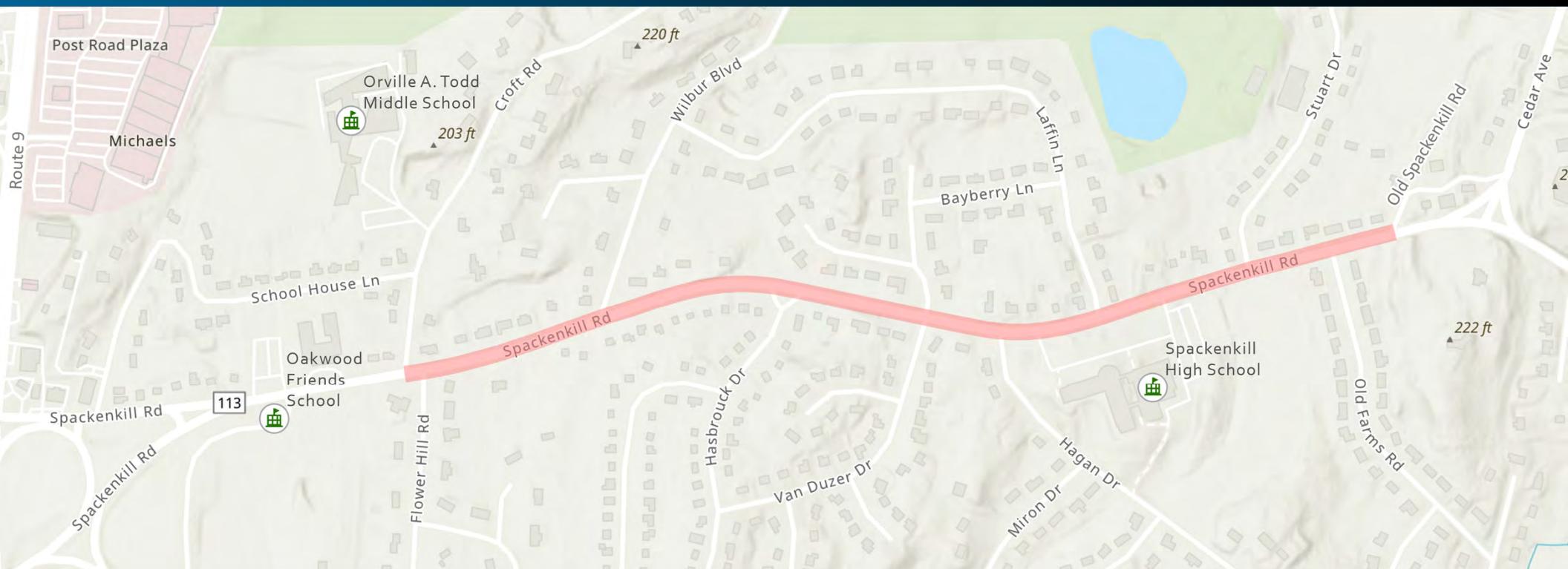
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Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee  
July 27, 2023





# Study Area





## How did we get here?

Long-standing idea



Town of Poughkeepsie Comp Plan



DCTC Planning Program



## Key Questions



Is it possible to add sidewalks?



What other improvements should be considered?



What are the priorities and concerns of the community?



How would a project move forward?



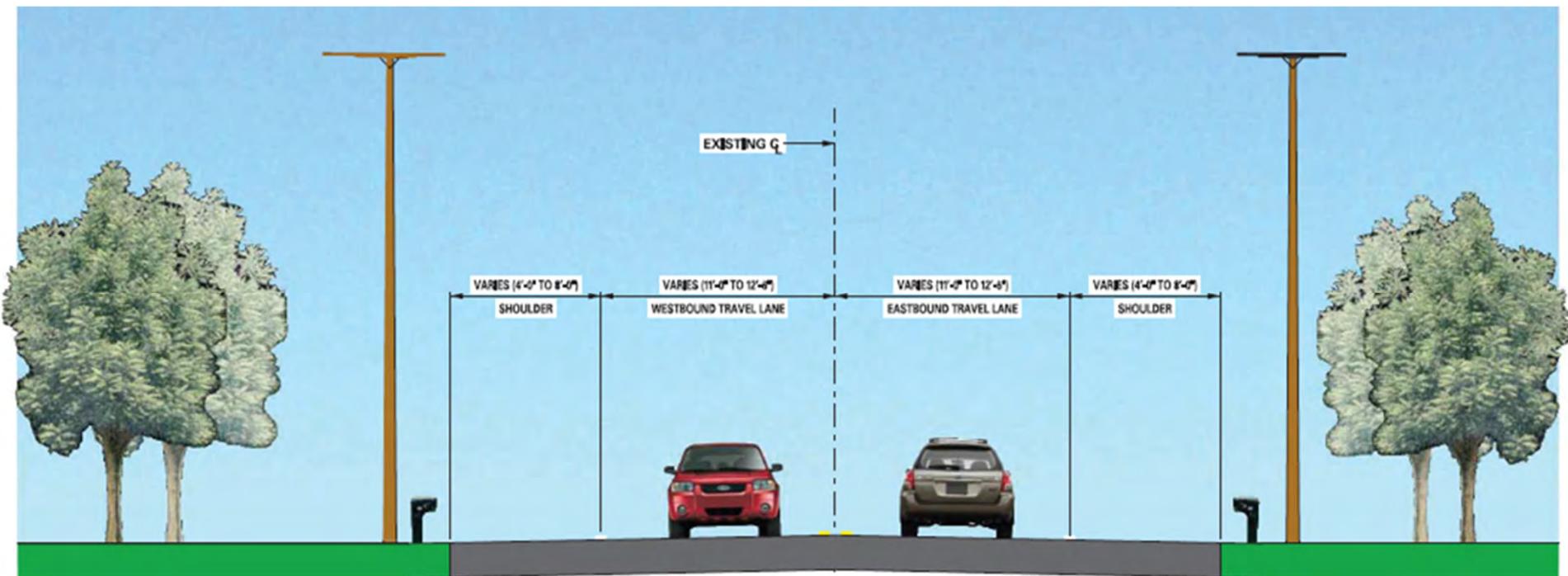
## Is it possible to add sidewalks?

- Existing travel lanes vary from 11-12 ft, with wide shoulders
- Preferred design: 5 ft sidewalk with buffer; 11 ft lanes; 5 ft shoulders
  - Buffer would vary based on available space & topography
- Some utility and other relocations
- Some encroachment on properties



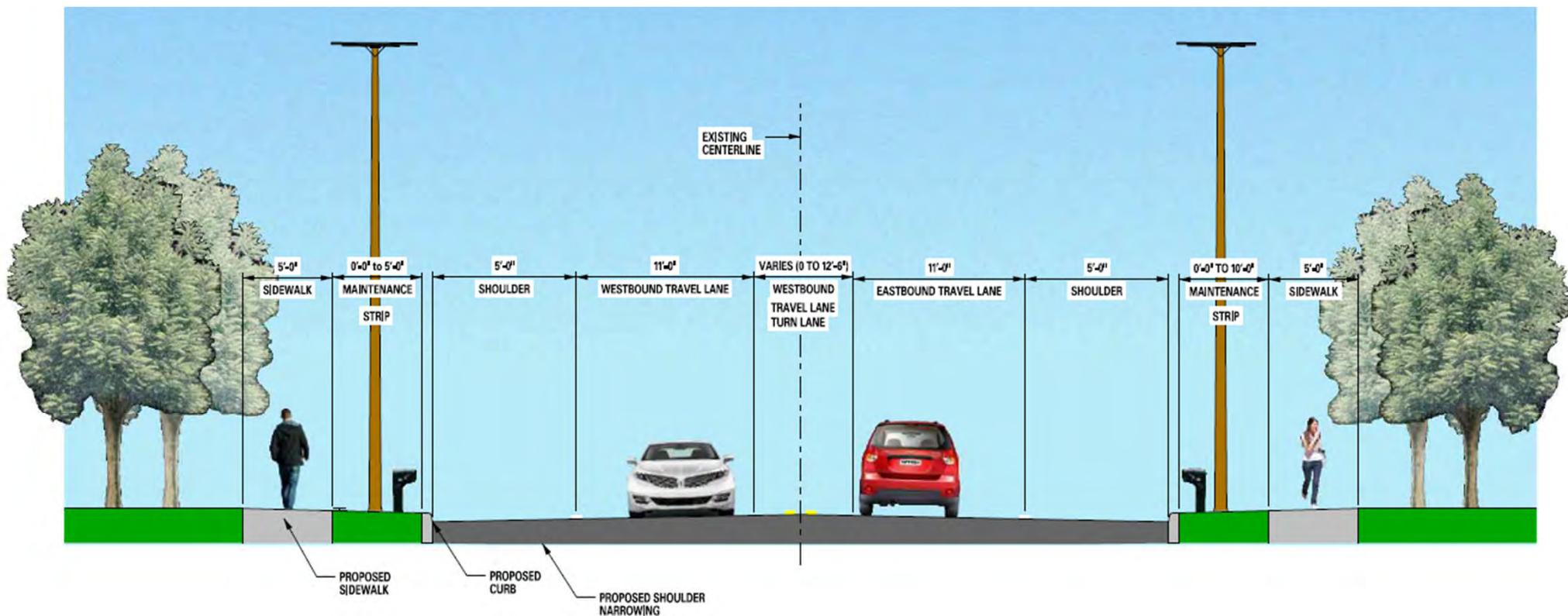


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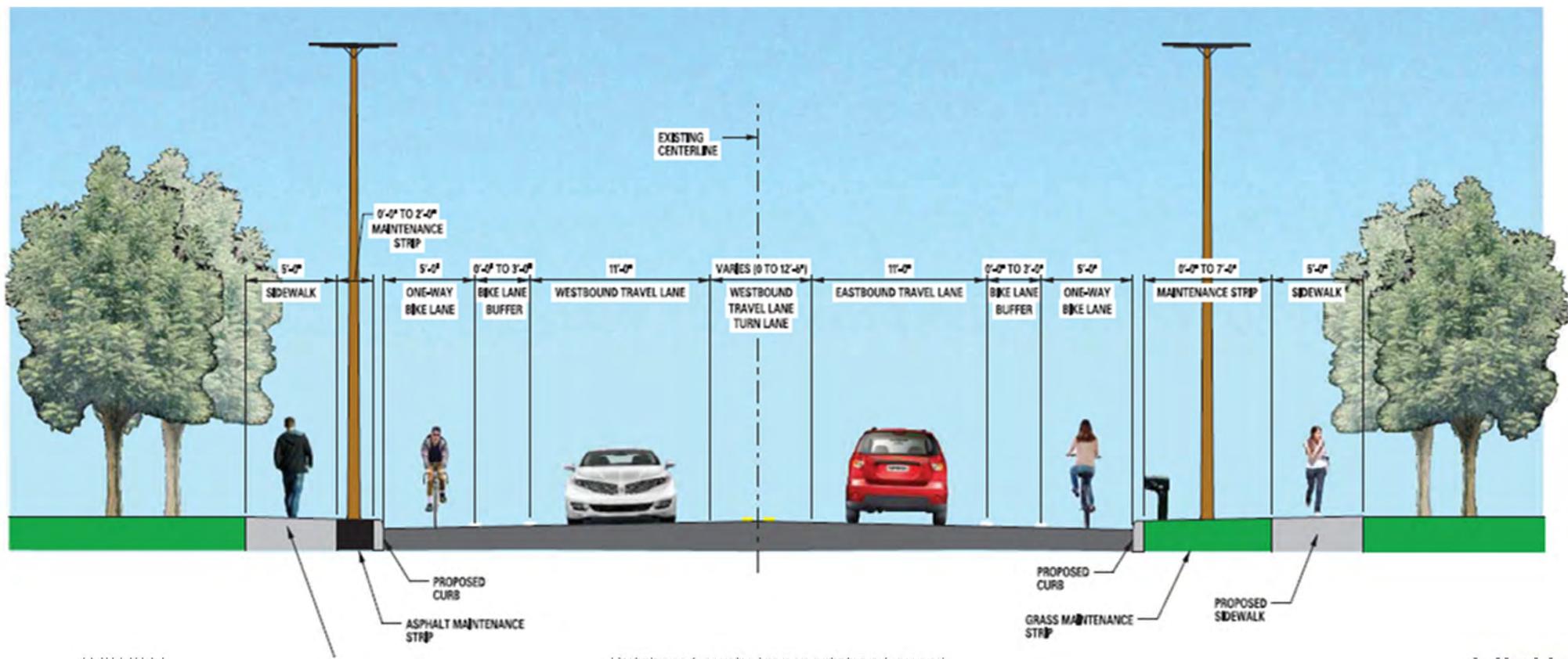
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# Is it possible to add bike lanes?



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# 🚶 What other improvements should be considered?

Croft Rd



Wilbur Blvd

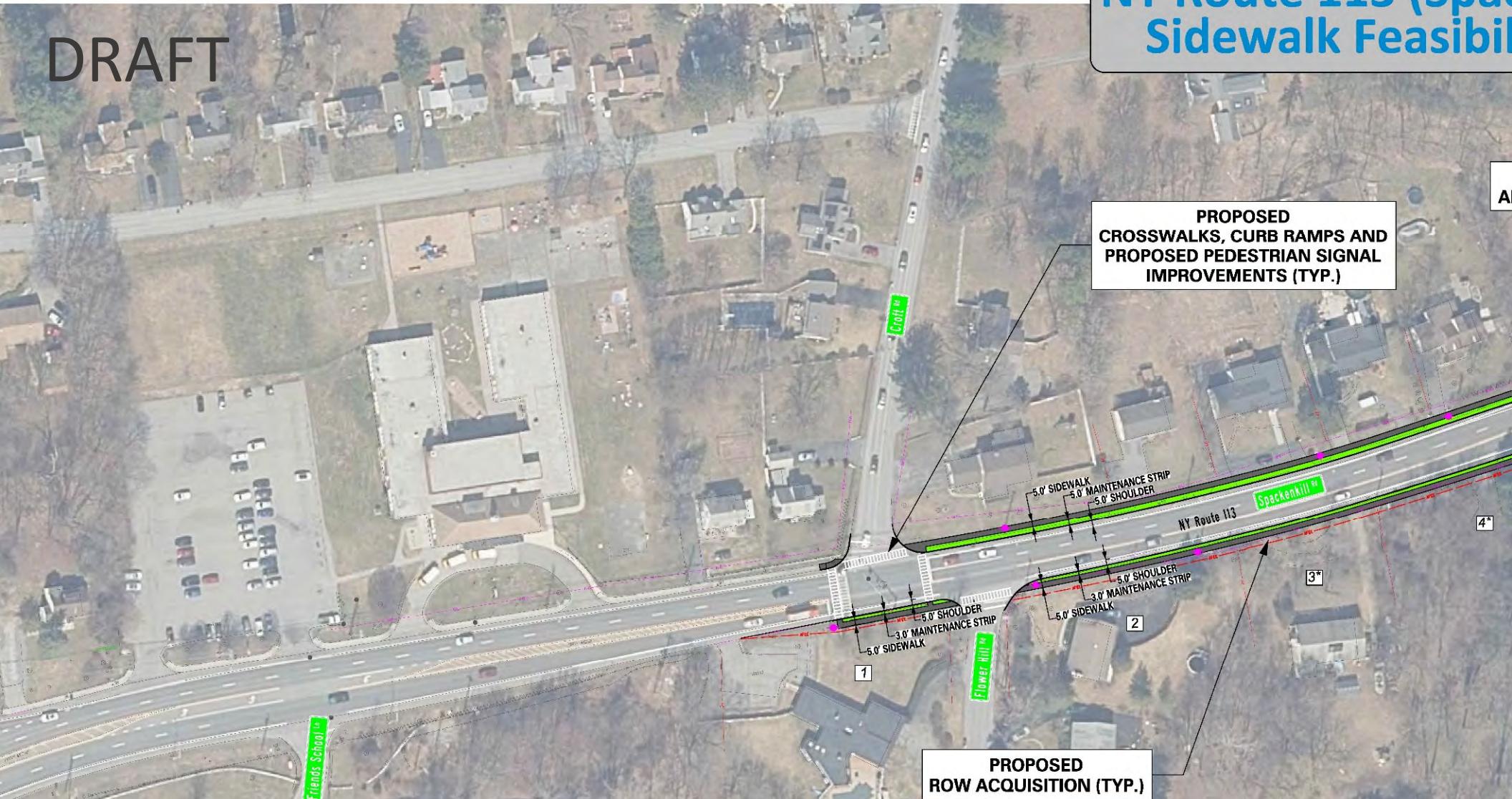


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## NY Route 113 (Spackenkill Rd) Sidewalk Feasibility





# What are the priorities & concerns of the community?



## Safety

Reduce speeds  
Protect students



## Community

Beautification  
Connections



## What else?

## Online Survey

### Spackenkill Road Sidewalk Feasibility Study

The Dutchess County Transportation Council is working on a Sidewalk Feasibility Study of Route 113-Spackenkill Rd at the request of the Town of Poughkeepsie.

The study will determine the potential for adding sidewalks and associated improvements on Spackenkill Rd from Croft Rd to Cedar Ave.

The final report will summarize existing conditions and feedback from stakeholders, and propose a draft concept and recommendations for improvements.

We Want to Hear from You!  
**Take the Survey:**



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SpackenkillSidewalkStudy](http://www.dutchessny.gov/SpackenkillSidewalkStudy)

Share your feedback and  
sign up for email updates.



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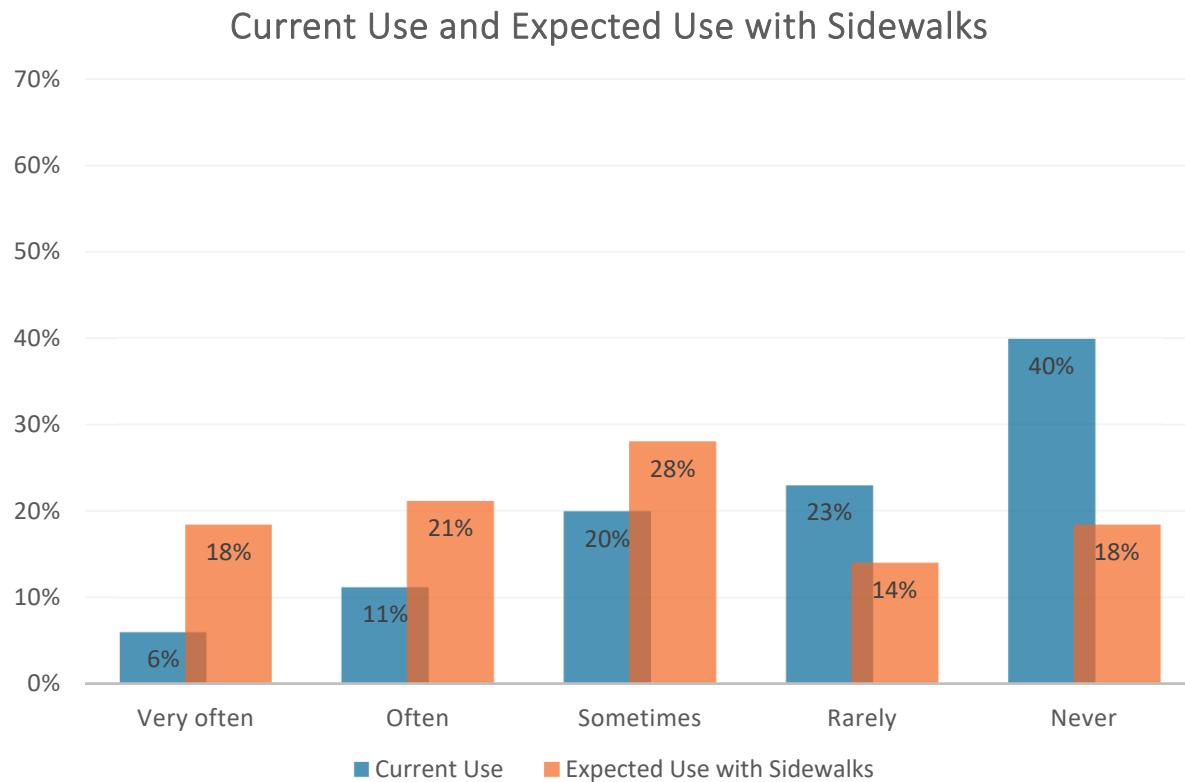
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### High School Students

It would be much safer to walk or bike along Spackenkill Rd, and it would make people feel safer. Cars will be driving slower, so there is a less chance of having an accident.

Community members who own property might not want to have sidewalks, and maintaining the sidewalks would also be required.

## Online Survey

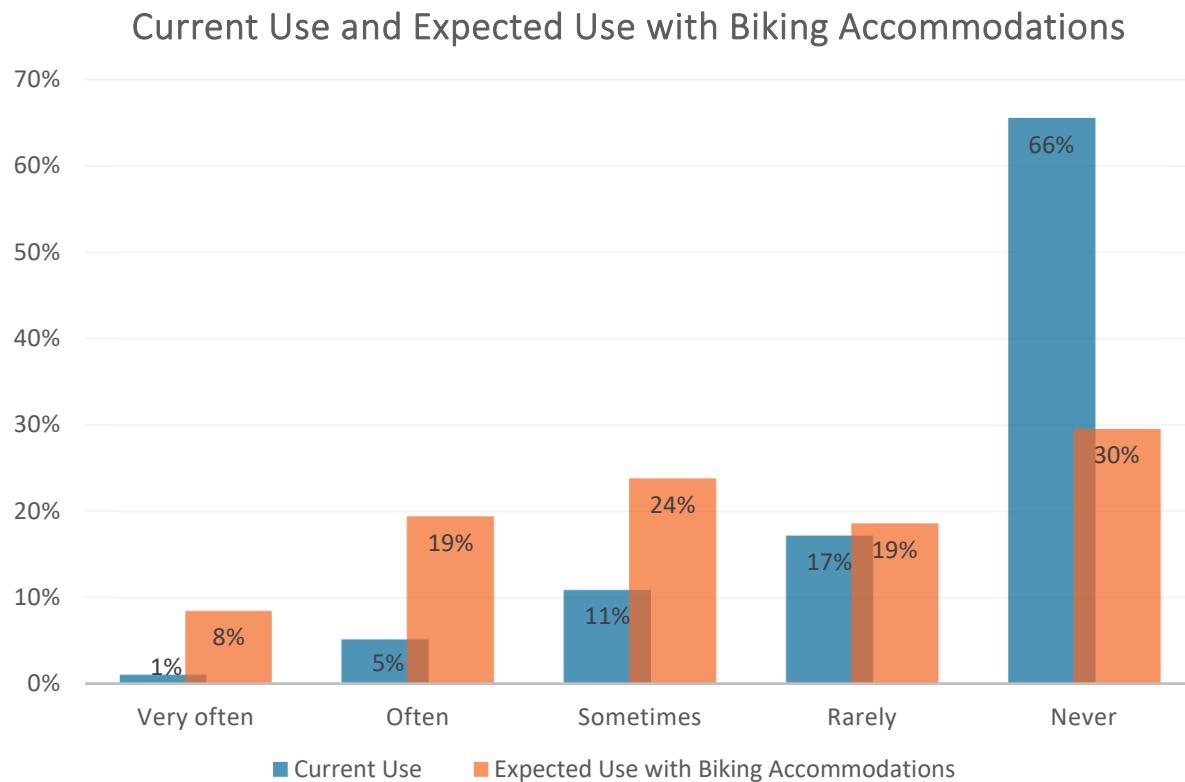


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- 68% would walk sometimes, often or very often if there were sidewalks
- 32% still rarely or never

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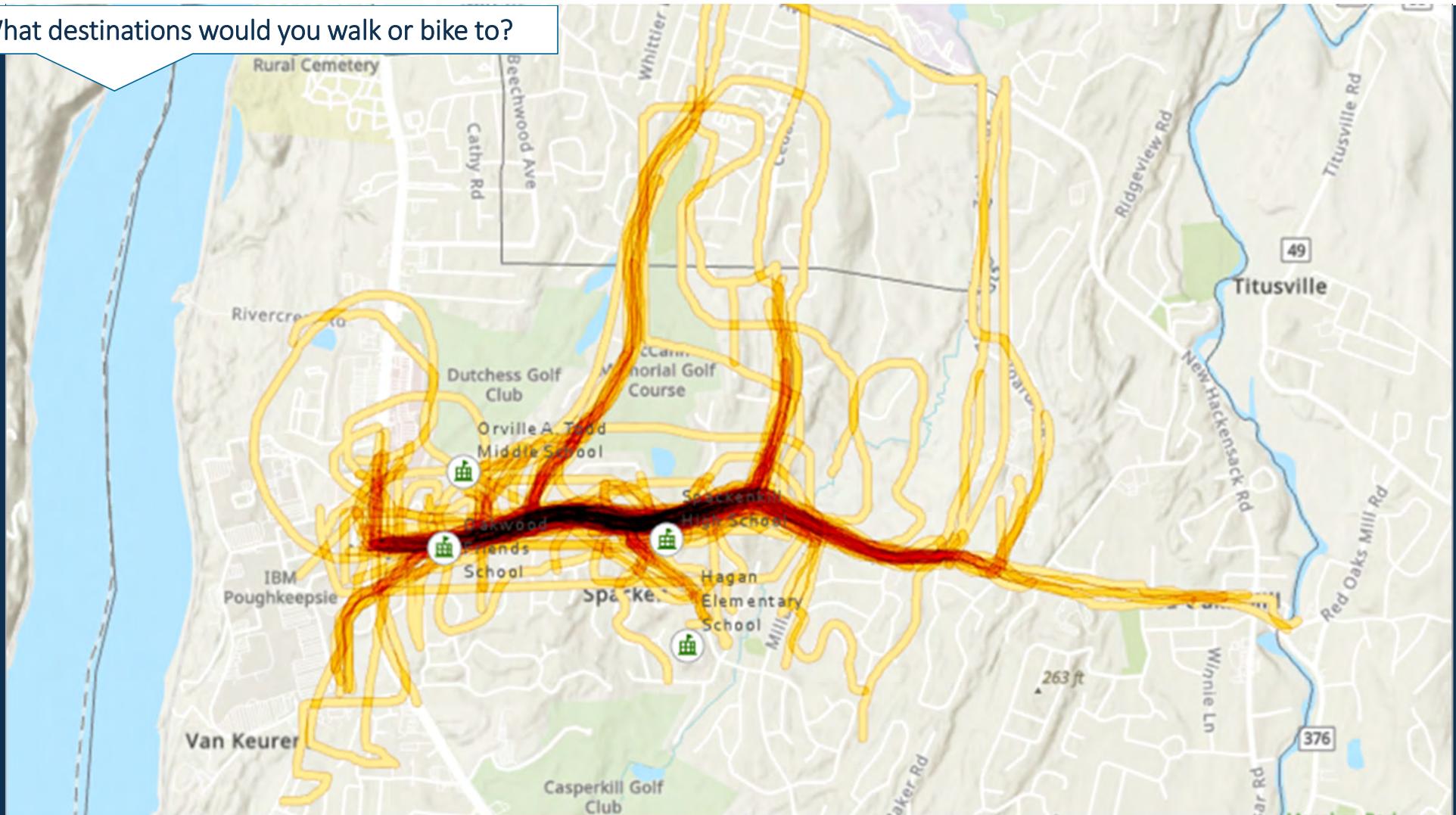


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- 51% would bike sometimes, often, or very often if there were bike accommodations
- 49% still rarely or never

What destinations would you walk or bike to?

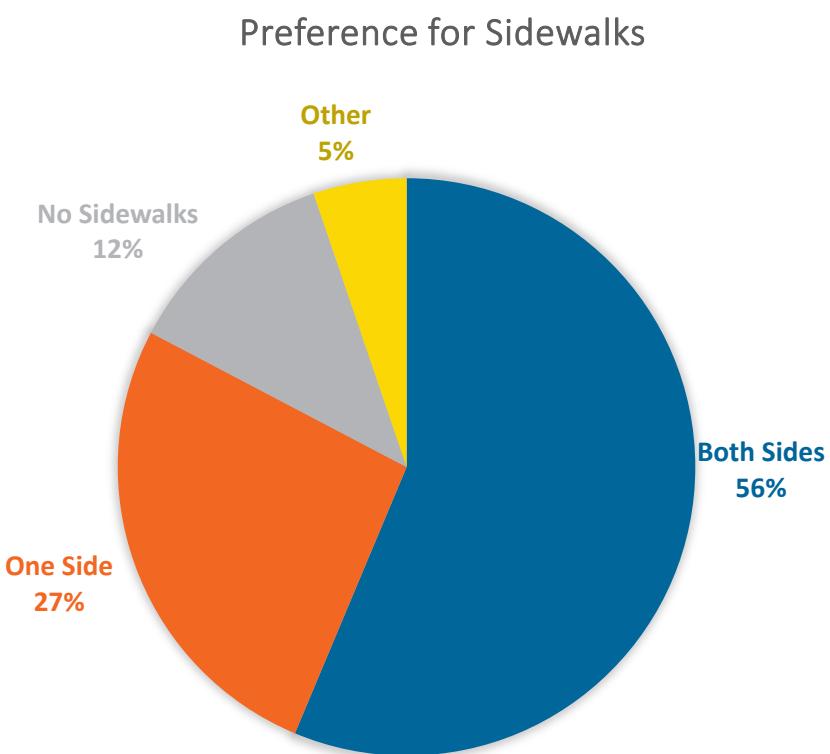


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- Broad support for both sides or at least one side
- Cost savings
- Connectivity
- Walking patterns
- Safety

# Support:

- Enhance Pedestrian Safety
- Safe Routes for Students
- Improve Connectivity
- Boost Property Values
- Promote Active Lifestyles
- Environmental Benefits

# Concerns:

- Maintenance Responsibilities
- Impact on Private Property
- Cost
- Traffic Operations
- Perceived Low Use

## »» Sidewalk Buffers

- Benefits
  - Improved walking comfort and safety
  - Snow storage
  - Community feel
- Considerations
  - More ROW needs
  - Increased cost
  - Maintenance of buffer (if grass)

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Rhinebeck, New York

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← 3171 NY-22

Dover Plains, New York

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# »» Bike infrastructure

- Benefits
  - Improved biking comfort and safety
  - Could spur future connections
- Considerations
  - No existing network connections
  - Is a consistent 5ft shoulder sufficient?
  - Maintenance of bike lanes (paint and plowing)
  - Increased ROW needs
  - Increased cost

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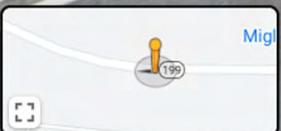
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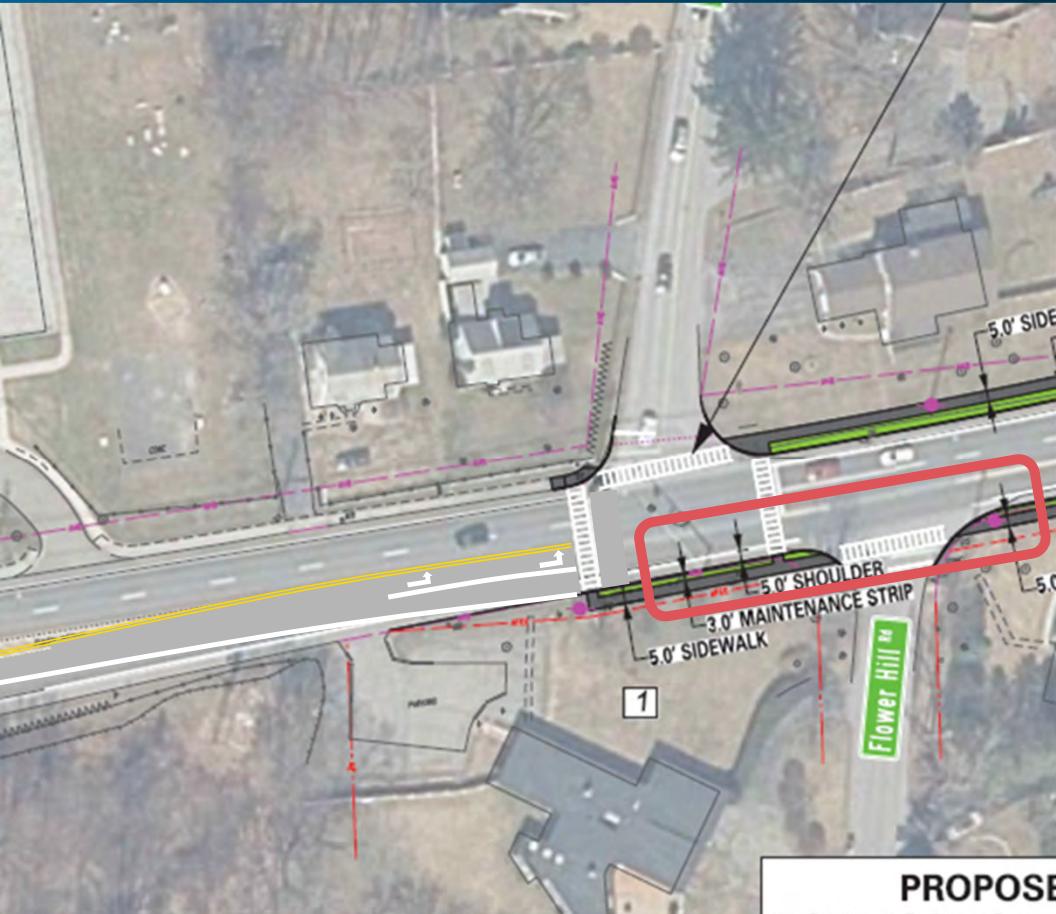


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## »» Croft Rd: left turn pocket



- Improve walking and driving safety
- Increased ROW needs
- Increased cost
- Different funding source

## »» Wilbur Blvd: remove slip lane



- Improved walking and driving safety
- Potential for traffic delays (to be further analyzed)

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»» How would a project move forward?



COORDINATION



FUNDING



TIME

# »» Coordination

NYSDOT

- Road owner

Town of Poughkeepsie

- Potential project sponsor

DCTC/Dutchess County

- Technical Advisor

SUFSD

- Stakeholder; property owner

Residents

- Stakeholder; property owner; user

# Questions or Comments?

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