179th Street Access Management and Circulation Planning

Development Engineering Advisory Board

February 3, 2022



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Project Purpose and Need

- Promote safety and mobility of the future principal arterial while balancing the infrastructure and utility needs of development. The current topography of 179th Street contains significant hills and valleys.
- Improving 179th Street to a 4-lane street will require "cuts" and "fills".
- Future access locations on/off 179th Street need to be considered for safety and mobility.



Comprehensive Plan Circulation Policies

- Goal: Optimize and preserve the investment in the transportation system.
 - 5.3.1 Development projects shall adhere to minimum driveway access spacing standards along arterial and collector streets to preserve the capacity of the transportation system. The county shall also work with Washington State Department of Transportation to ensure that minimum access spacing standards for state highways are maintained
 - 5.3.5 The local street system shall be interconnected to eliminate the need to use collector or arterial streets for internal local traffic.

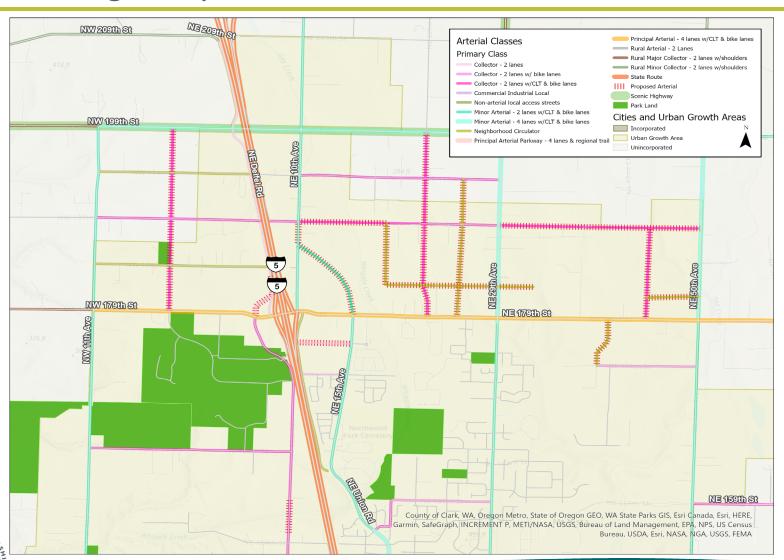


Comprehensive Plan Circulation Policies (continued)

- Goal: Ensure mobility throughout the transportation system.
 - 5.4.1 The county arterial system shall be planned in general conformance with nationally accepted arterial spacing standards.
 - 5.4.4 County roadways and intersections shall be designed when practical to achieve safety and accessibility for all modes. Arterial streets shall provide facilities for automobile, bike and pedestrian mobility as defined in the Arterial Atlas and shall include landscaping.



Planning Study Area



Useful Weblinks

- Interactive Project Webpage
- Clark County MapsOnline
- Washington Department of Transportation Interactive
 Maps



History

2007 Periodic Comprehensive Plan Update

Vancouver Urban Growth Area Expansion

2009 Mill Creek Sub-Area Plan Adoption

- Arterial Atlas Amendment
- Zoning Code Amendment
- Comprehensive Plan Amendment

2015 Connecting Washington funding package

I-5/179th Street Interchange Reconstruction receive funding

2020 Urban Holding Removal

Ordinance 2020-02-02 allows urban level development to proceed on ~2,200 acres.

2020 Pedestrian Accessway Code Adoption

 Ordinance 2020-12-02 approved requirement for providing pedestrian accessways on major streets

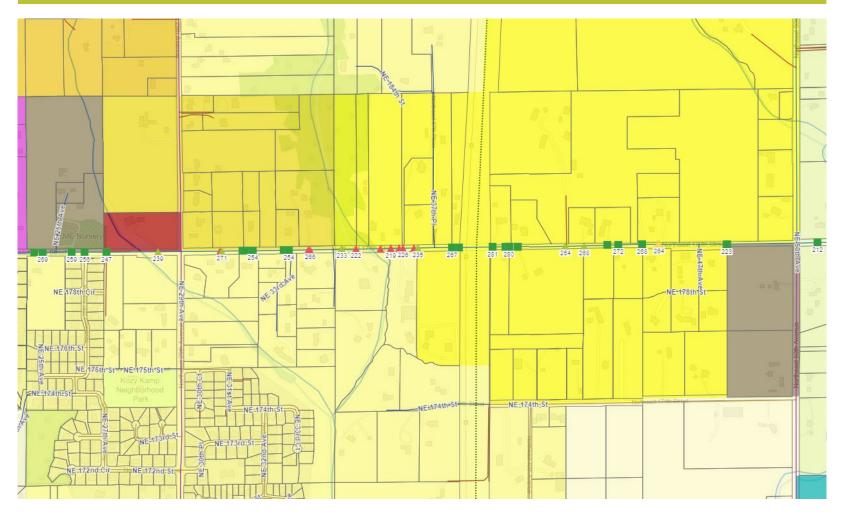


Existing Intersection Control

MAJOR STREET	MINOR STREET	INTERSECTION CONTROL TYPE	
	NW 11 th Avenue	2-way stop control (NB and SB)	
NW 179 [™] STREET	NE 10 th Avenue South	1-way stop control (NB)	
	NE 2 nd Avenue	1-way stop control (NB)	
NE 179 [™] STREET	NE Delfel Road South	Signalized	
	NE Delfel Road North	1-way stop control (SB)	
	I-5 SB On/Off Ramp	Signalized	
	I-5 NB Off Ramp and NE 10 th Avenue	Signalized	
	NE Union Road	1-way stop control (NB)	
	NE 15 th Avenue	Signalized	
	NE 26 th Avenue	1-way stop control (NB)	
	NE 29 th Avenue	all-way stop control	
	NE 50 th Avenue	all-way stop control	

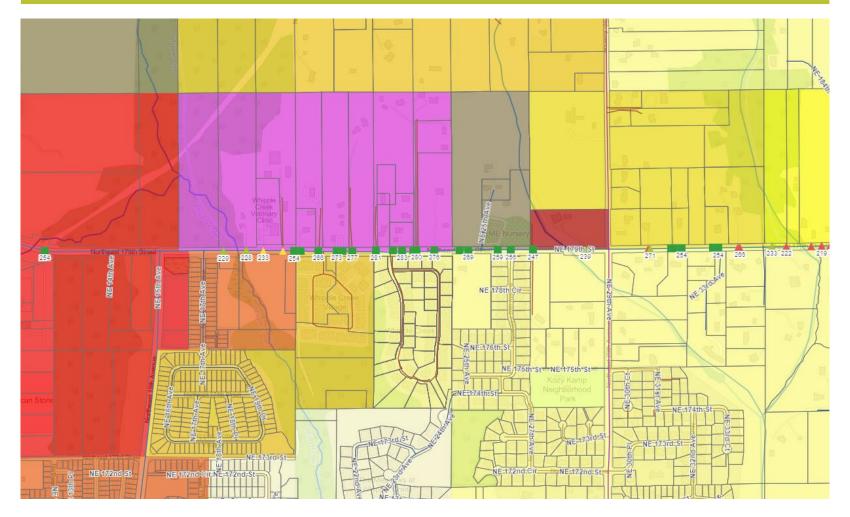


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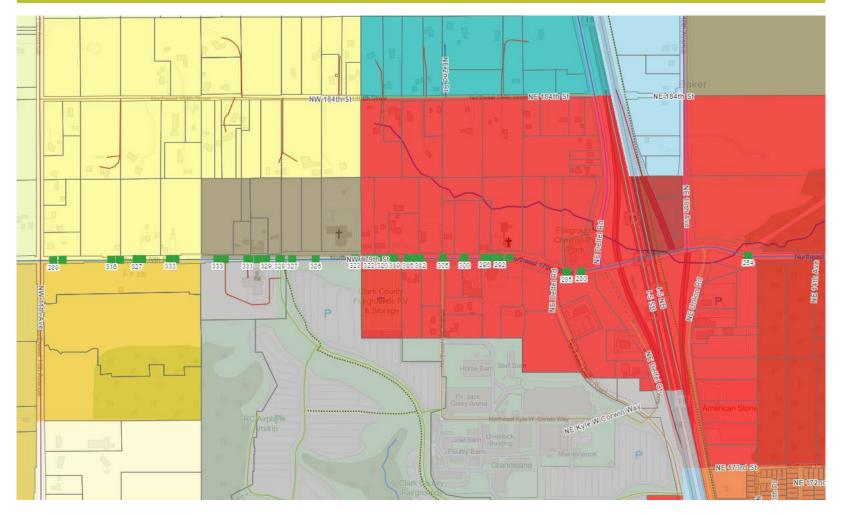


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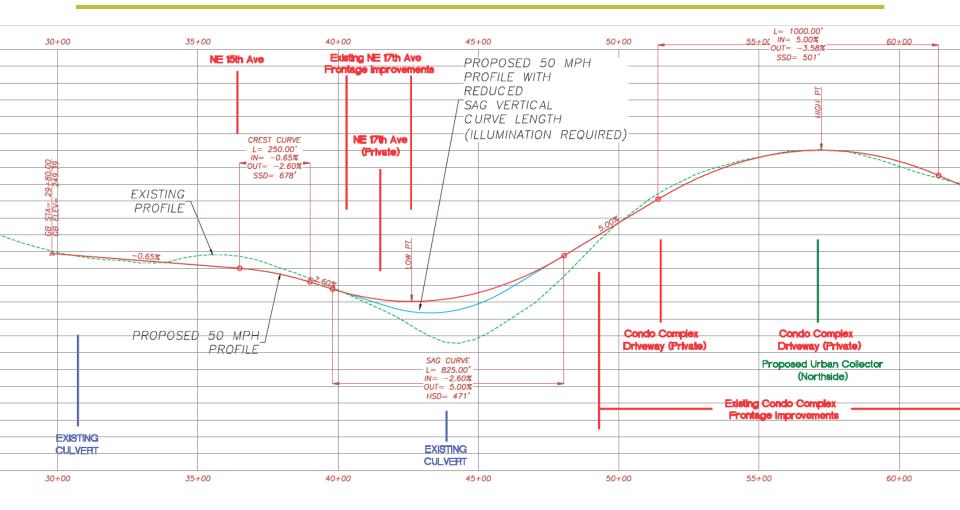


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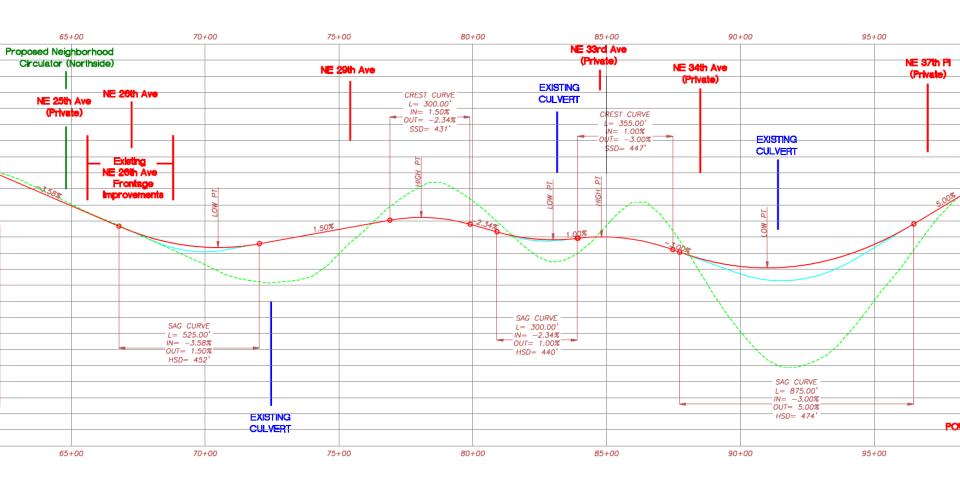


Topology – East (15th Avenue to 22nd Avenue)



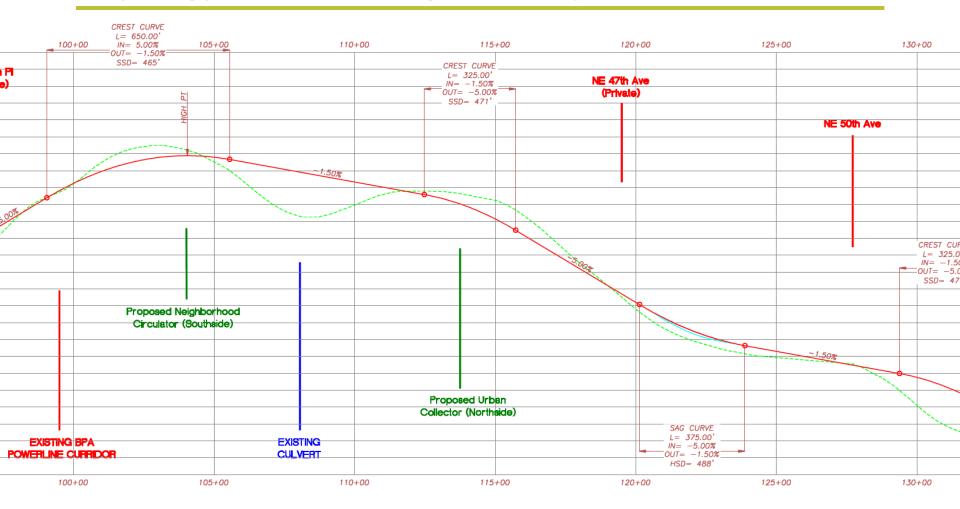


Topology – East (25th Avenue to 37th Avenue)



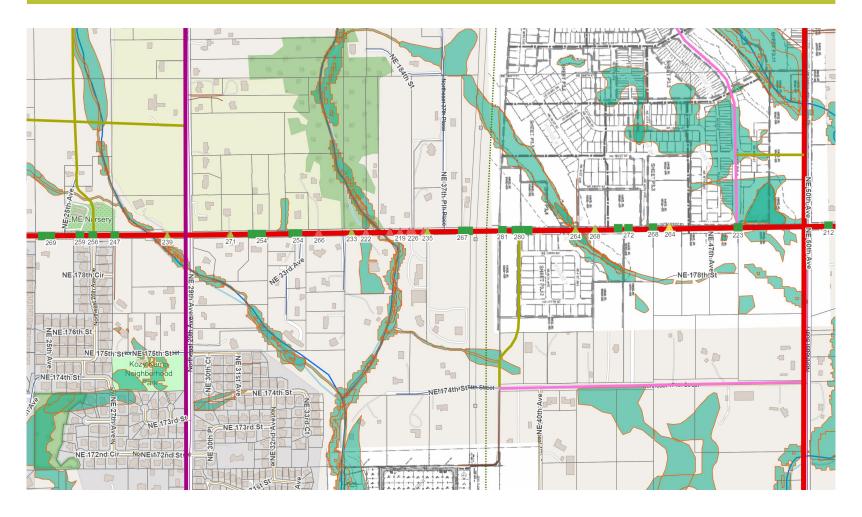


Topology – East (BPA Right-of-Way to 50th Avenue)



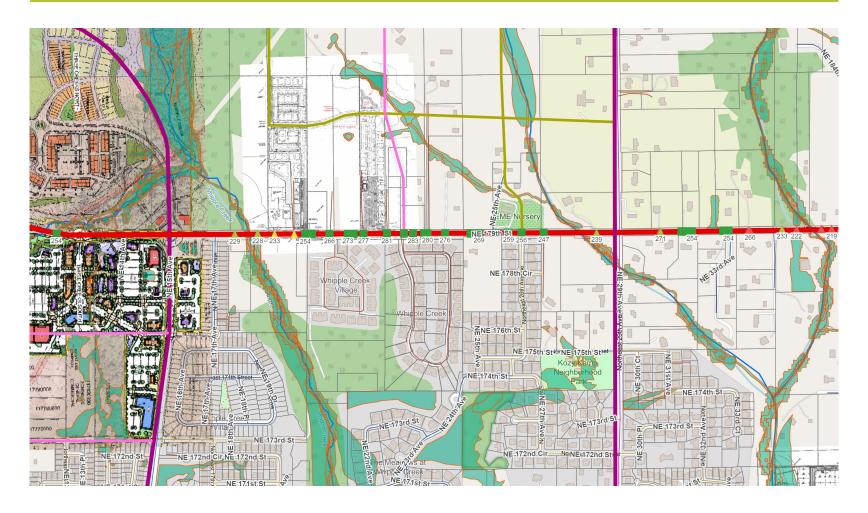


Environmental Constraints – Northeast 179th Street



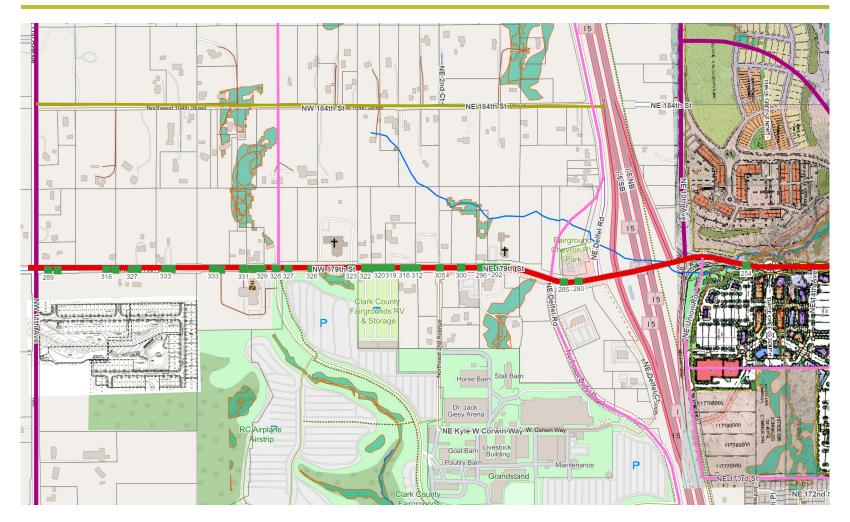


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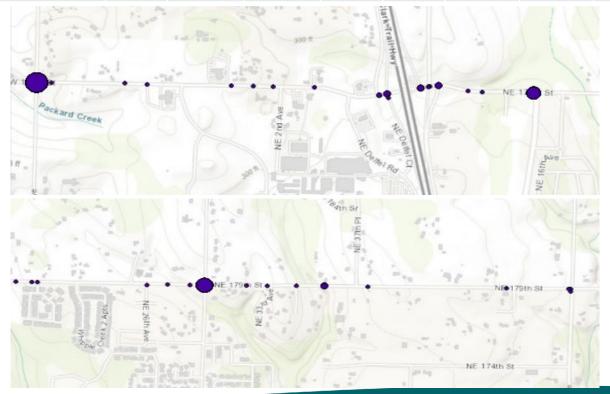
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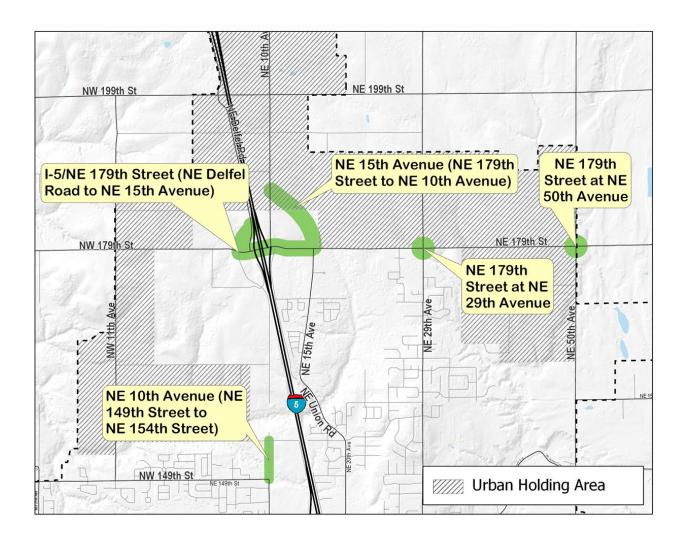
Collisions (2015-2019)

LOCATION	COLLISION TYPE				SEVERITY			
	ANGLE	REAR END	TURNING	SIDE- SWIPE	OTHER	SEVERE INJURY	OTHER INJURY	PDO
179 TH ST (NOT INCLUDING INTERSECTIONS)	1	3	3	2	10	0	7	12
179 TH ST (INCLUDING INTERSECTIONS)	26	8	10	5	15	1	35	28





Planned Improvements





Northeast 29th Avenue Roundabout



Northeast 50th Avenue Roundabout









OCTOBER 2021
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PLAN
179TH + 50TH ROUNDABOUT



Street Classifications – Major Roads

Street Classifications	Right-of-way Width	Pavement Width	Design Speed	Direct Access (yes or no)	Spacing
Principal Arterial 4 Travel Lanes Center Turn Lane Bike Lanes	100 Feet	72 Feet	50 mph	No	2-5 Miles
Minor Arterial 4 Travel Lanes Center Turn Lane Bike Lanes	100 Feet	72 Feet	40 mph	No	Less than 2 Miles
Minor Arterial 2 Travel Lanes Center Turn Lane Bike Lanes	72 Feet	48 Feet	40 mph	No	Less than 2 Miles
Collector 2 Travel Lanes Center Turn Lane Bike Lanes	70 Feet	46 Feet	35 mph	No	Less than 2 Miles
Collector 2 Travel Lanes Bike Lanes	60 Feet	34 Feet	35 mph	No	Less than 2 Miles
Collector 2 Travel Lanes	60 Feet	38 Feet	35 mph	No	Less than 2 Miles

Street Classifications – Local Roads

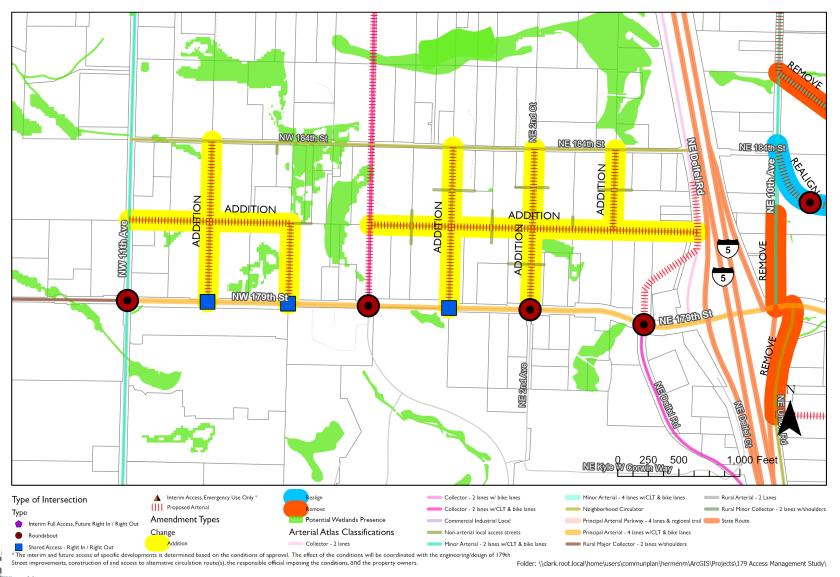
Street Classifications	Right-of-way Width	Pavement Width	Design Speed	Direct Access (yes or no)
Commercial/Industrial Road - Local	60 Feet	42 Feet	40 mph	Yes
Commercial/Industrial Road – Local with Bike Lanes	70 Feet	52 Feet	35 mph	Yes
Commercial/Industrial Road – Local with Parking	60 Feet	38 Feet	35 mph	Yes
Commercial/Industrial Road – Storefront	65 Feet	40 Feet	25 mph	Yes
Neighborhood Circulator	54 Feet	36 Feet	25 mph	Yes
Local Access Road	46 Feet	28 Feet	25 mph	Yes





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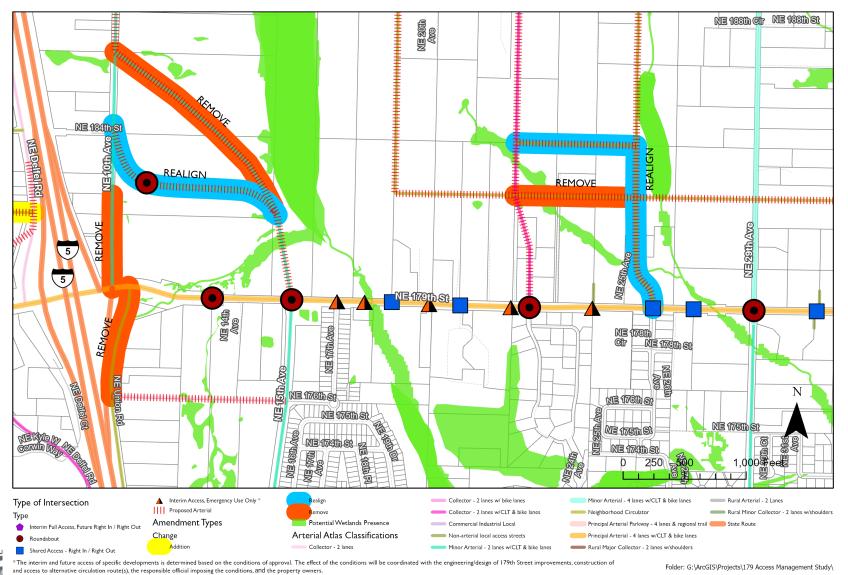
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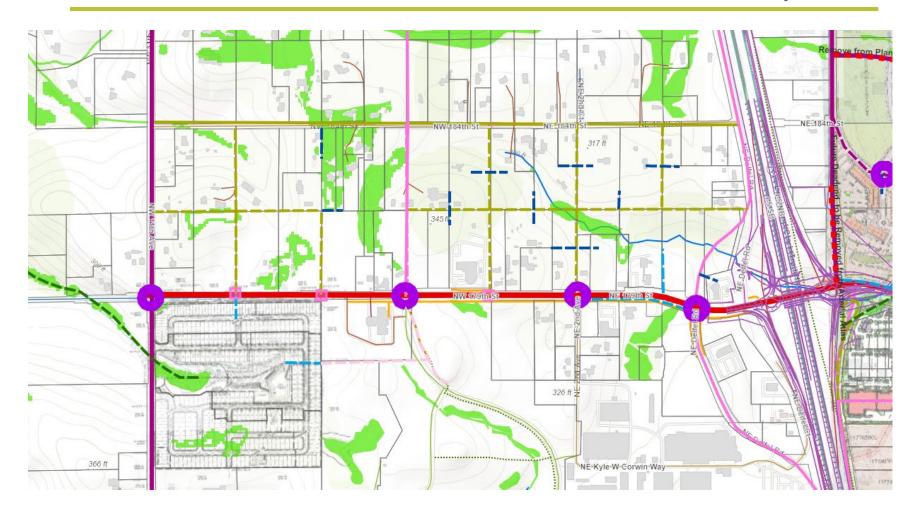
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Street improvements, construction of and access to alternative circulation route(s), the responsible official imposing the conditions, and the property owners.

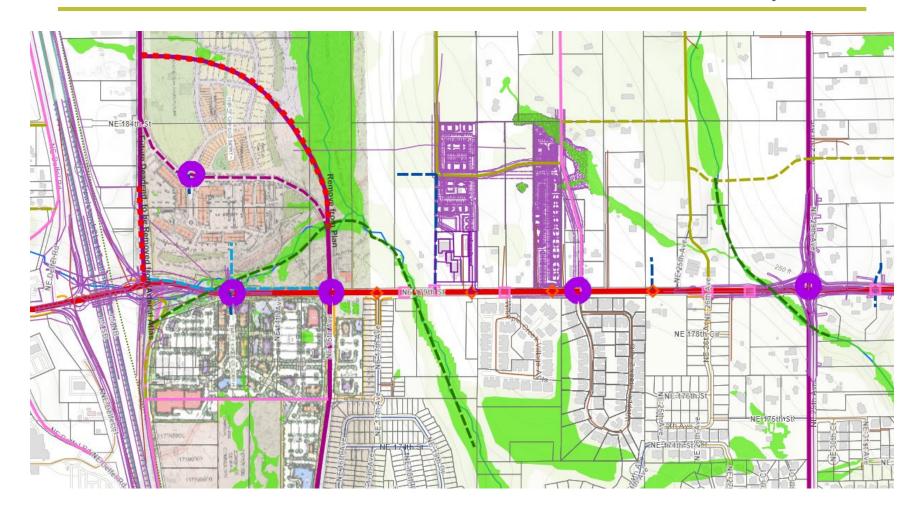
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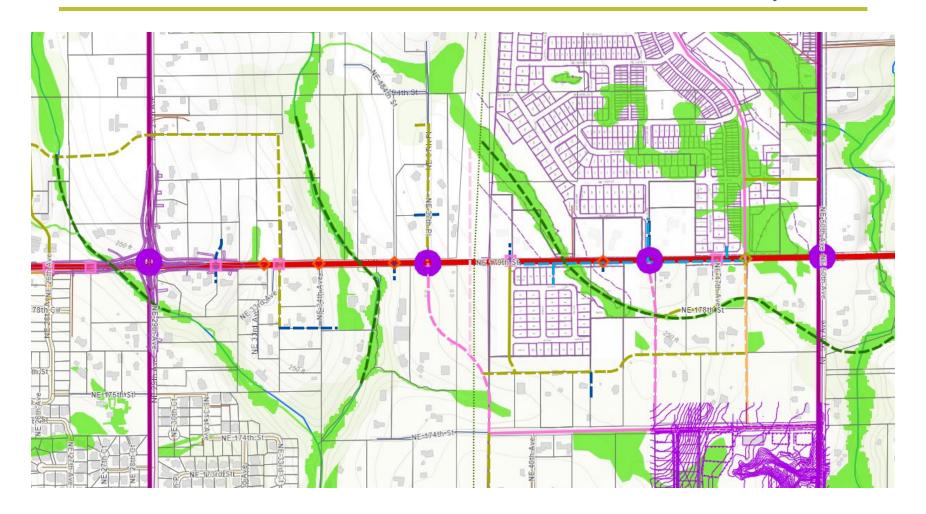
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Approval Process Steps

- Final Report Drafted January 2022
- SEPA Process January 2022
- Public Outreach and Notice January 2022
- Development Engineering Advisory Board February 3, 2022
- Planning Commission February 17, 2022
- County Council March 15, 2022



Recommendation

 Clark County Public Works is recommending approval of the Arterial Atlas amendments to implement the 179th Street Access Management and Circulation Plan.



Thank you!

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