

Town of Windham



NH 111 Corridor & Wall St Connector Feasibility Study

**Project Advisory
Committee Meeting
January 6, 2011**



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Agenda

- Welcome/Introductions
- PAC Meeting 13 Summary
- Review Problem and Vision Statements
- Consensus Review
- Local Officials Meeting
- Short term/Long Term Recommendations
- Other Business
- Next Meeting
- Adjourn





Problem Statement

The Town of Windham, NH, lacks a vibrant town center. While zoning has been put in place to create a town center with a variety of civic, commercial and residential uses, as well as community gathering spaces, the high volume of traffic on local roads and on the state highway that bisects the town center have impeded its development. Improvements to Interstate 93 will further increase this traffic and prevent the desired development. Additional obstacles to success include a lack of connectivity between existing commercial uses, the lack of public **water and sewer**, natural resource constraints, **lack of public transportation**, the high volume of truck traffic, and the trend towards vehicle dependency.



Alternate Problem Statement

The Town of Windham, NH, lacks a vibrant town center. While the Town's master plan and zoning have established the goal of developing a town or village center with a variety of community gathering spaces as well as commercial and residential uses, the high volume of traffic on local roads and on the state highway that bisects the existing center have impeded its development. Improvements to Interstate 93 will further increase this traffic and prevent the desired development. Additional obstacles to the this outcome include (1) poor connectivity between existing commercial uses that would encourage pedestrian access; (2) the lack of public water and sewer services that would support compact "village" type development; (3) natural resources that surround the town center; (4) the lack public transportation services and pedestrian and bicycle facilities as alternatives to automobile use; and (5) the high volume of trucks in the town center.



Vision Statement

The historic town center of Windham, NH will become a vibrant village center with an improved **NH 111 corridor** that serves **multiple modes of travel** more safely and efficiently **in an aesthetically pleasing form**. Community gathering spaces, new retail and civic destinations, and a range of housing options *will be served by multiple modes of transportation*, will enhance the quality of life and sense of community for residents and will attract visitors from around the region. Planning and development will be sensitive to the environment, to adjacent historic districts, and to residential neighborhoods while improving connectivity between existing and new development.



Alternate Vision Statement

The historic town center of Windham, NH will become a vibrant village center with an improved NH 111 corridor that serves the transportation needs of a growing community, provides safe and efficient facilities to automobile, public transit, bicycle, and pedestrian users, and is aesthetically attractive to the community. Community gathering spaces, new retail and civic destinations, and a range of housing options will combine to enhance the quality of life and sense of community in the village center area. Highway improvements and adjacent development in the NH 111 corridor will be designed to complement the village center, improve connectivity between existing and new development, protect adjacent historic and natural resources and existing residential neighborhoods, yet provide an efficient transportation corridor that accommodates anticipated future growth.



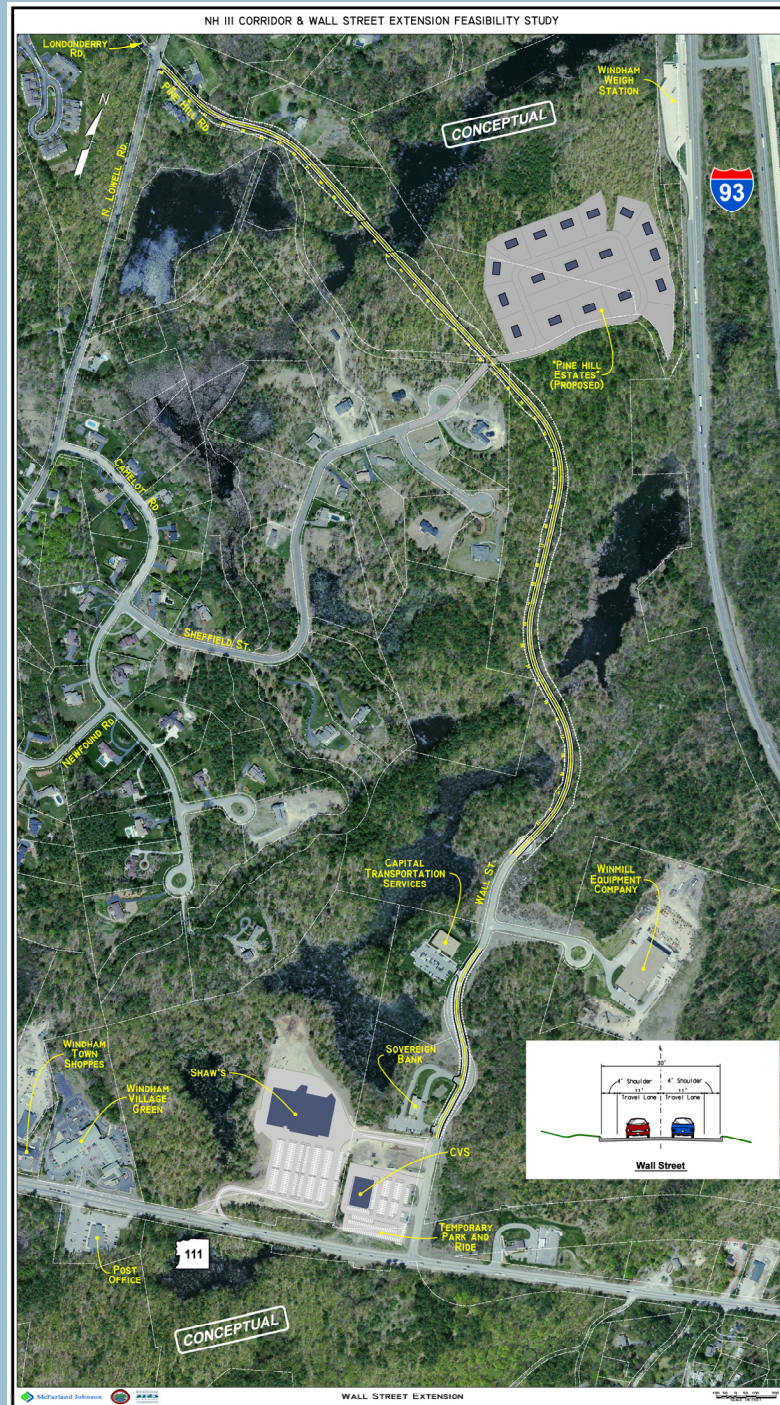


Alternatives Development

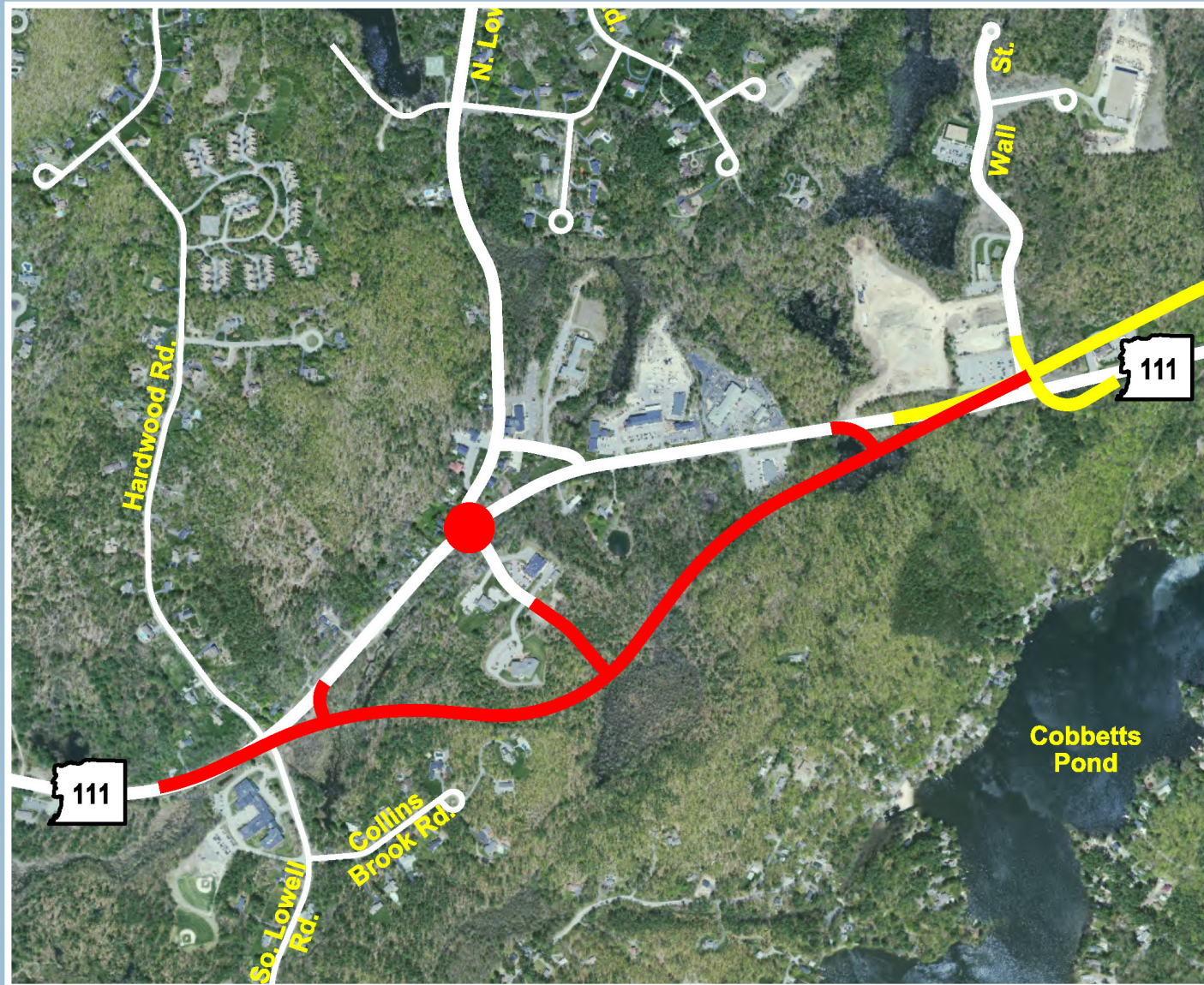
- No Build
- Wall Street Extension
- NH 111 Bypass
- NH 111 In-Corridor Improvements
 - Reduced Speed
 - 4-Lane Configuration
 - Upgraded Signal at S. Lowell Road / Hardwood Road
 - 2-Lane Roundabouts at Wall Street, USPS, & N. Lowell Road



Wall Street Extension



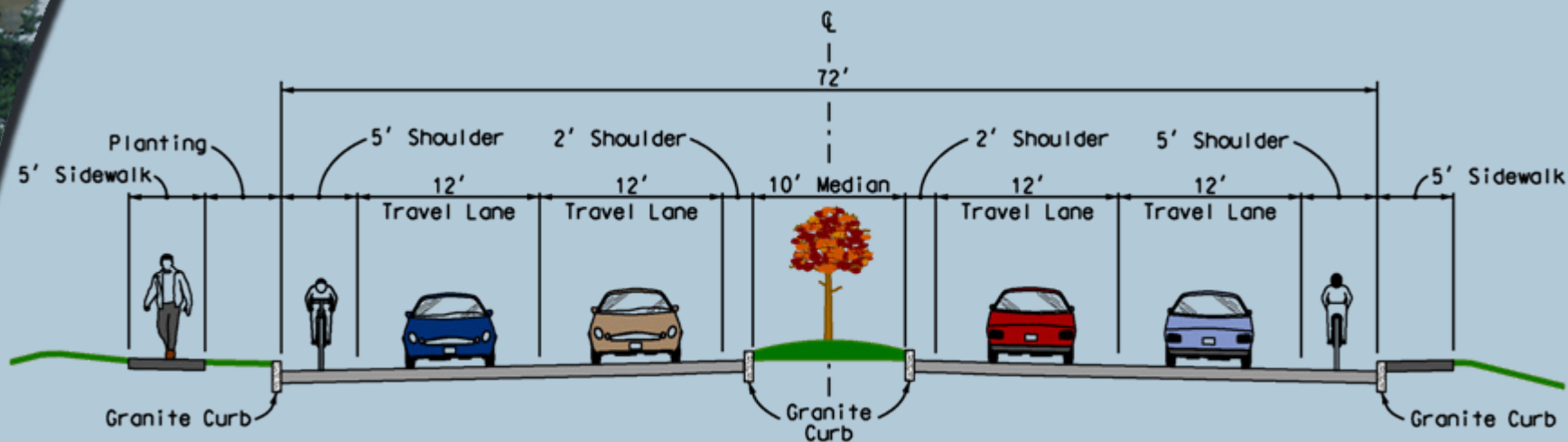
NH 111 Bypass



Two - Lane Roundabout

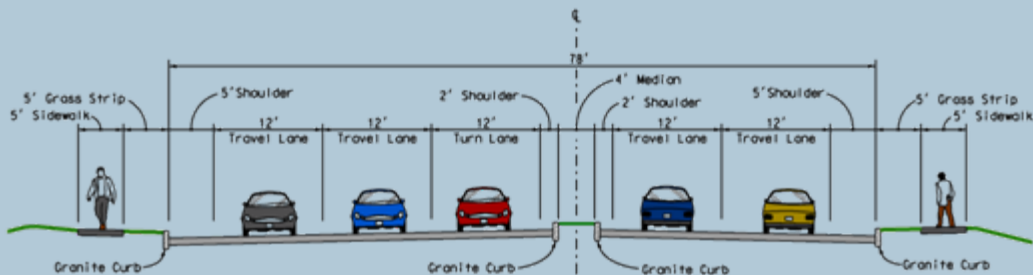


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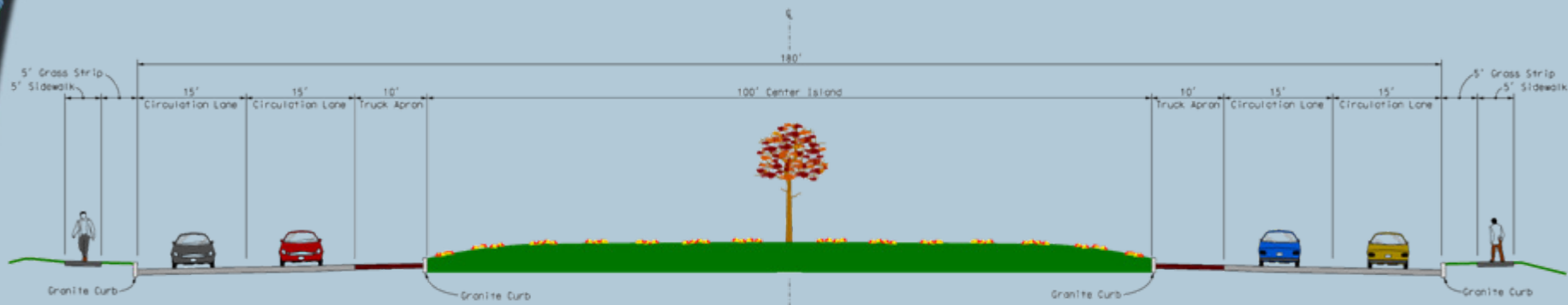


4 Lane Divided Section





Section at Signalized Intersection



Section at Two-Lane Roundabout



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Short-Term Recommendations

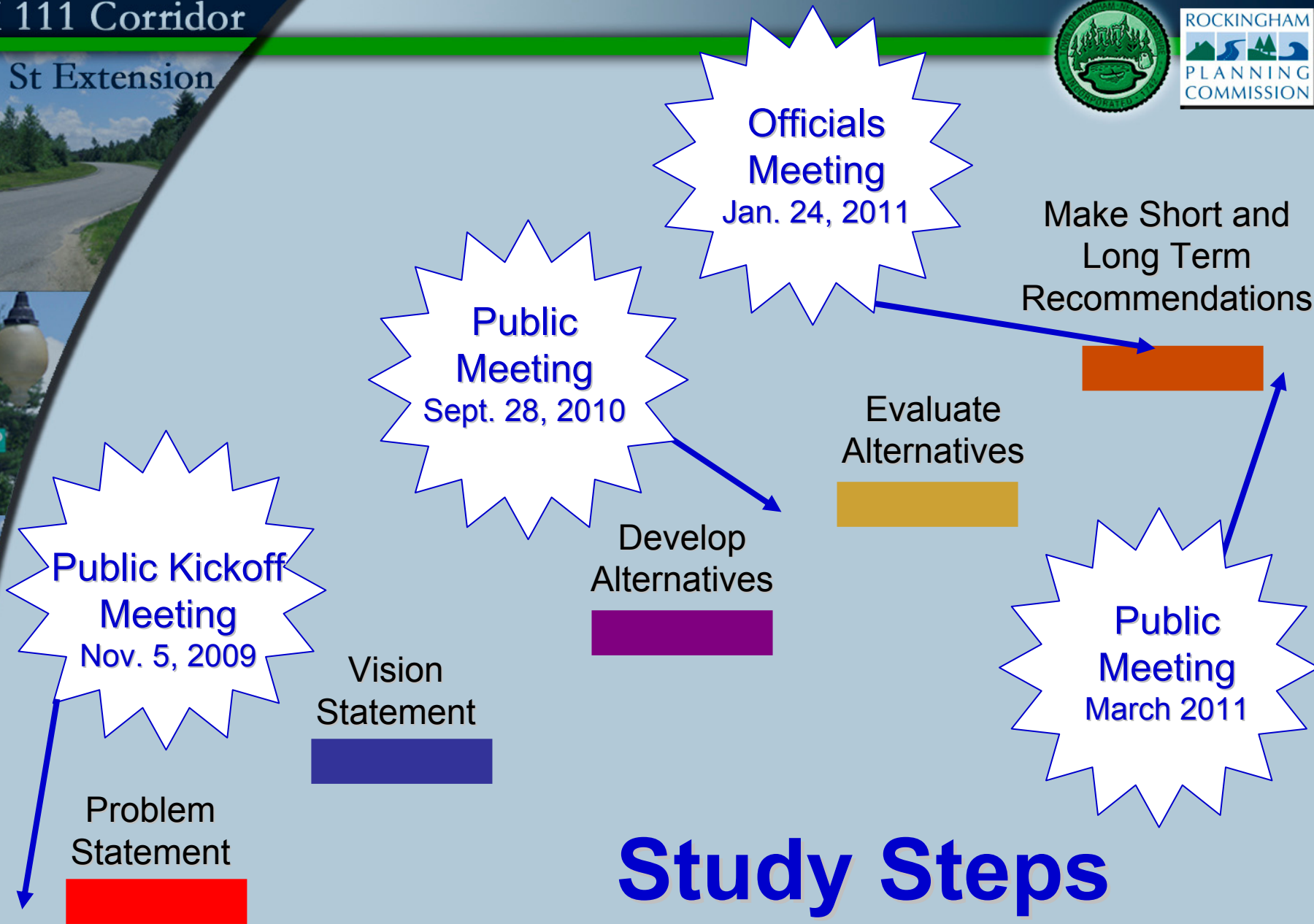
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- Roadway Improvements
- Access Management
- Land Use and Zoning (*Town*)





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Study Steps





Questions / Comments