

# Manning Boulevard Street Improvement Project



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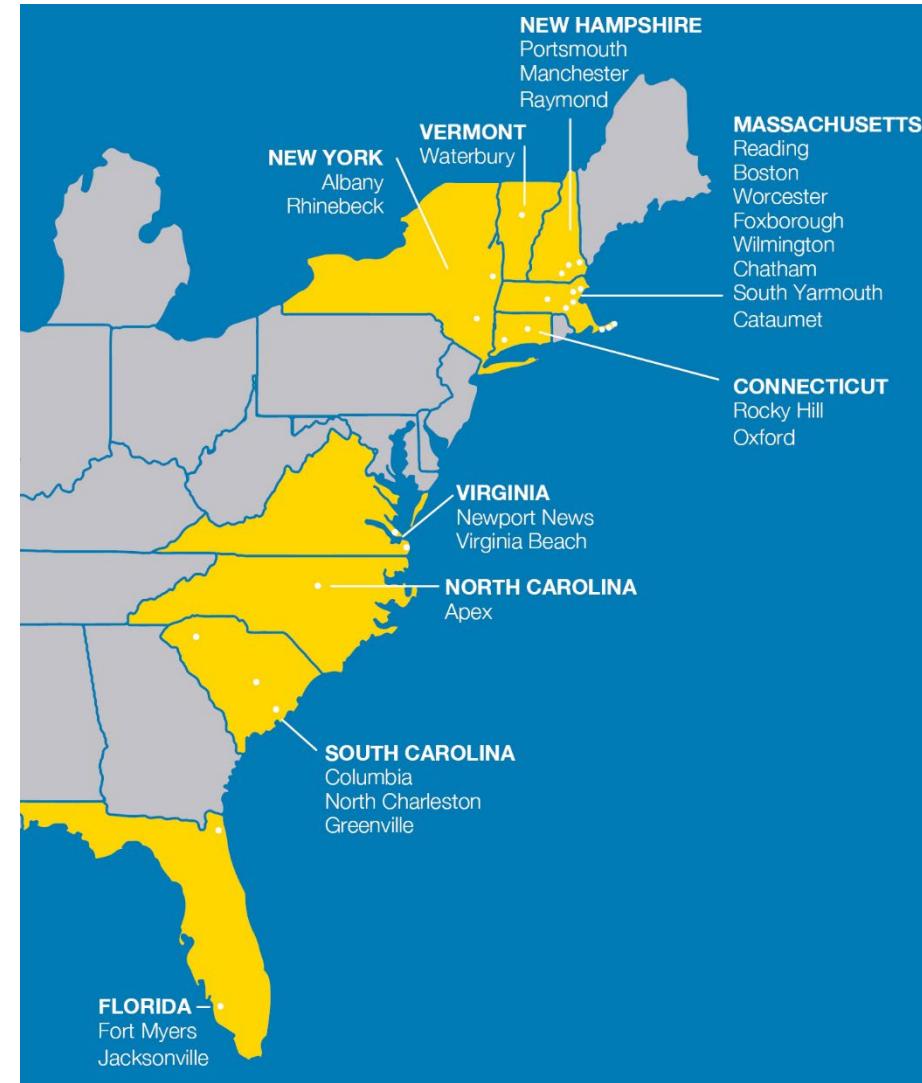
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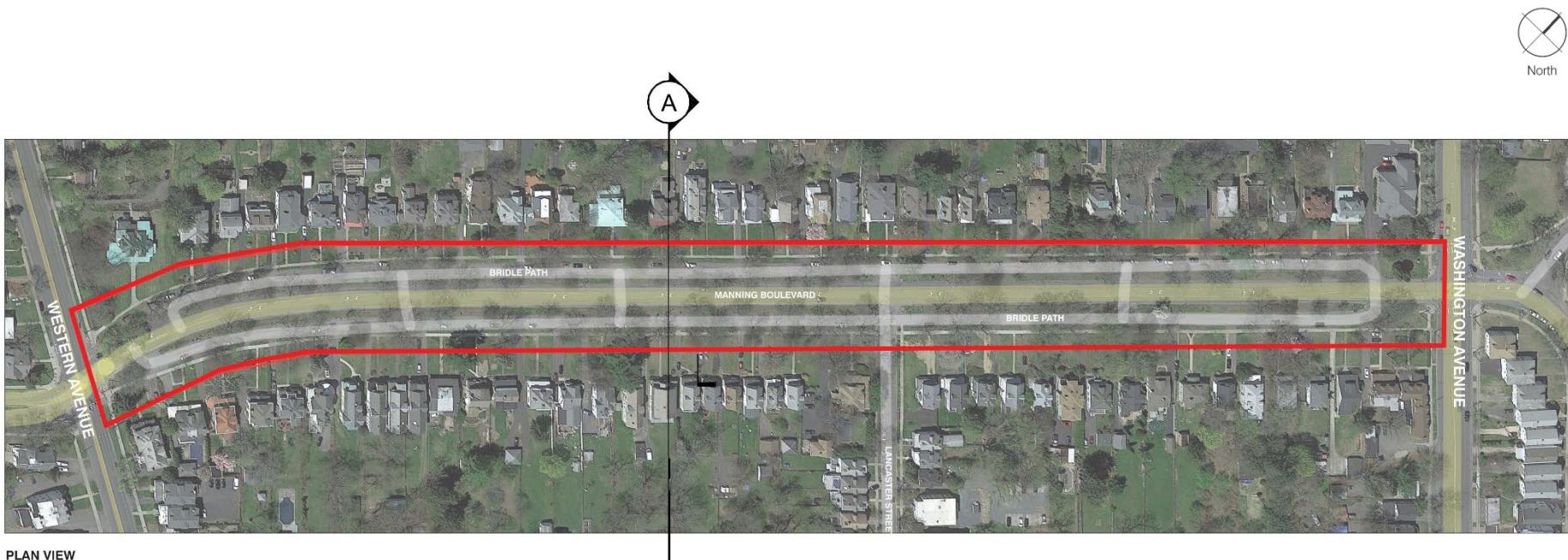
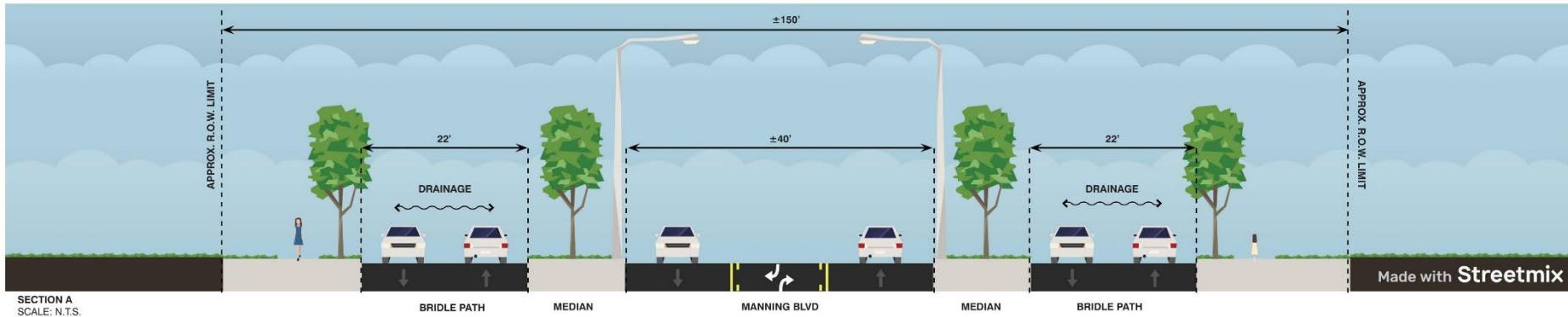
# Project Goal & Objectives

- Project Goal: Improve drainage and pedestrian infrastructure along the Manning Boulevard corridor.
- Project Objectives:
  - Regrade & introduce stormwater drainage systems and green infrastructure to the corridor to mitigate flooding of adjacent properties.
  - Provide pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and safety improvements throughout the corridor, including ADA compliant crosswalks, curb ramps, sidewalks, road crossings, and shared lane markings / bicycle route signage.
  - Provide streetscape improvements including tree plantings, vegetated buffers, new curbing, signage, etc.

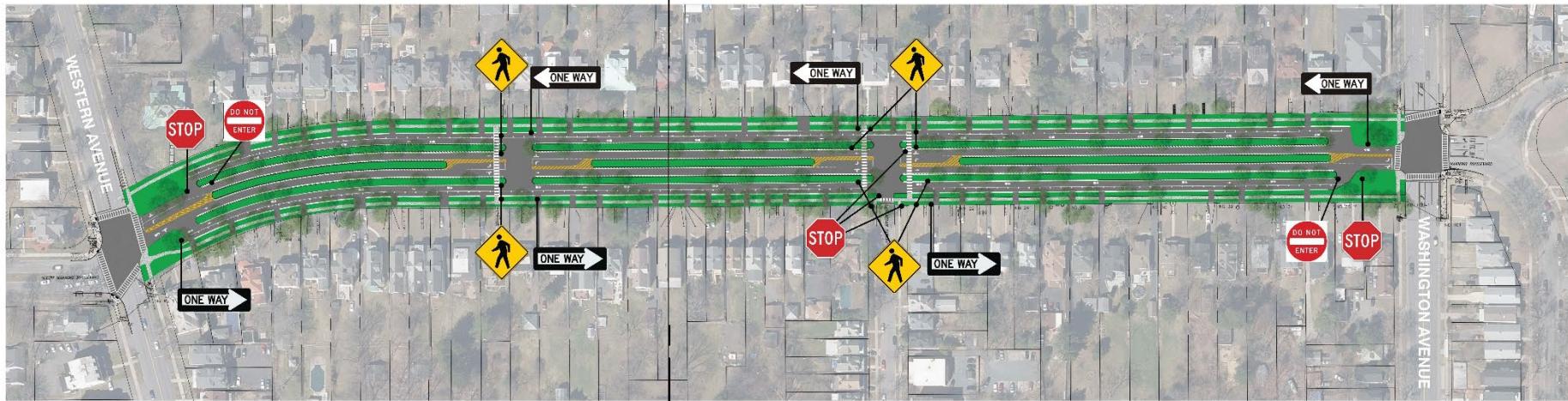
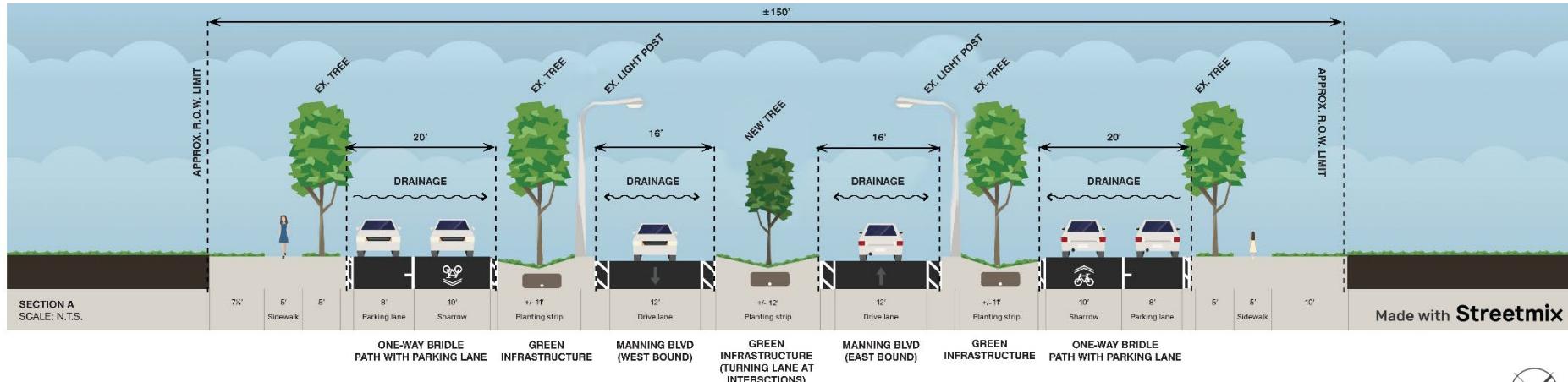
# Existing Conditions

- Right-of-Way (R.O.W.) is approximately 150' wide.
- Main roadway consists of bi-directional traffic lanes with center turn lane throughout the entire corridor.
- Bridle Paths are located on either side of the main road, are approximately 22' wide, are not striped, and are used for residential parking & access.
- Water currently drains towards residential properties and creates ponding, icing, etc.
- Limited stormwater infrastructure (catch basins, swales, etc.) currently exist within the project corridor.
- Curb exists along some sections of the corridor but is inconsistent in height.
- The main roadway generally drains towards the low point at the intersection of Manning and Lancaster.
- Bridle Paths are crowned and partially drain towards residential properties.
- Mature trees are located within center green medians along with street lighting and fire hydrants. Utility poles are located near the R.O.W. limits on both sides of the road.
- Underground sanitary sewer and water services, overhead electric lines are located throughout the project corridor.

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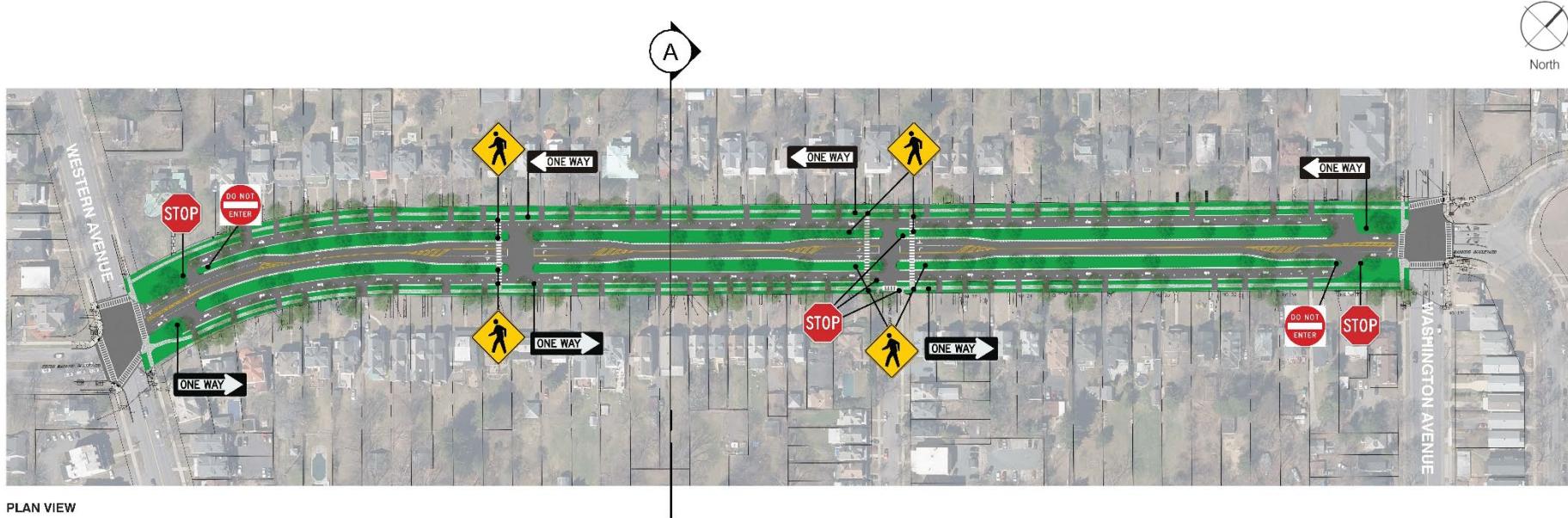
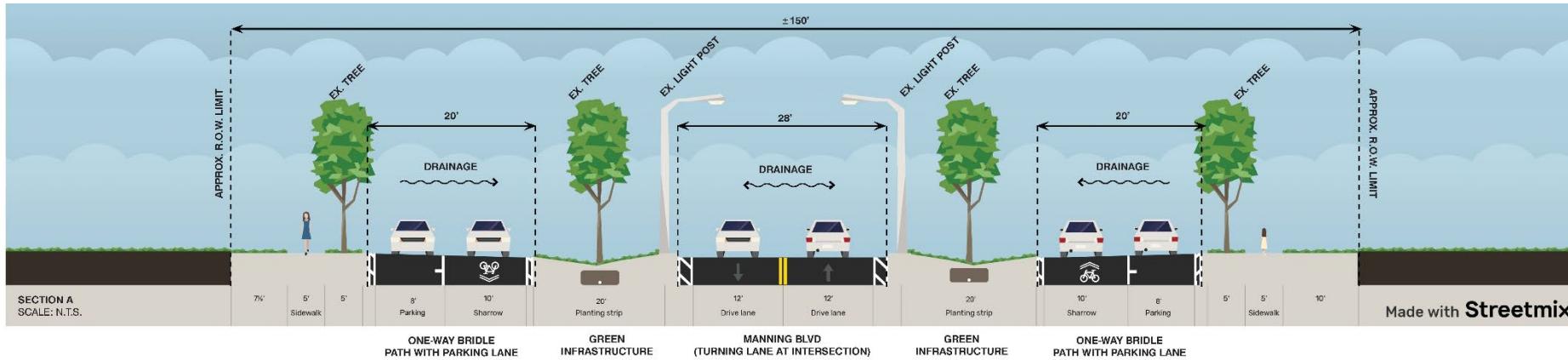
# Concept 'A'



### PLAN VIEW



# Concept 'B'



# Concept Plans

## Shared Elements

- Remove (2) Bridle Path access points to increase green space & provide signed mid-block crossings.
- Convert Bridle Paths to one-way with dedicated parking area & sharrows / bike route signage.
- Regrade Bridle Paths to drain away from adjacent properties.
- Reconstruct curb ramps, cross walks, and portions of sidewalk.

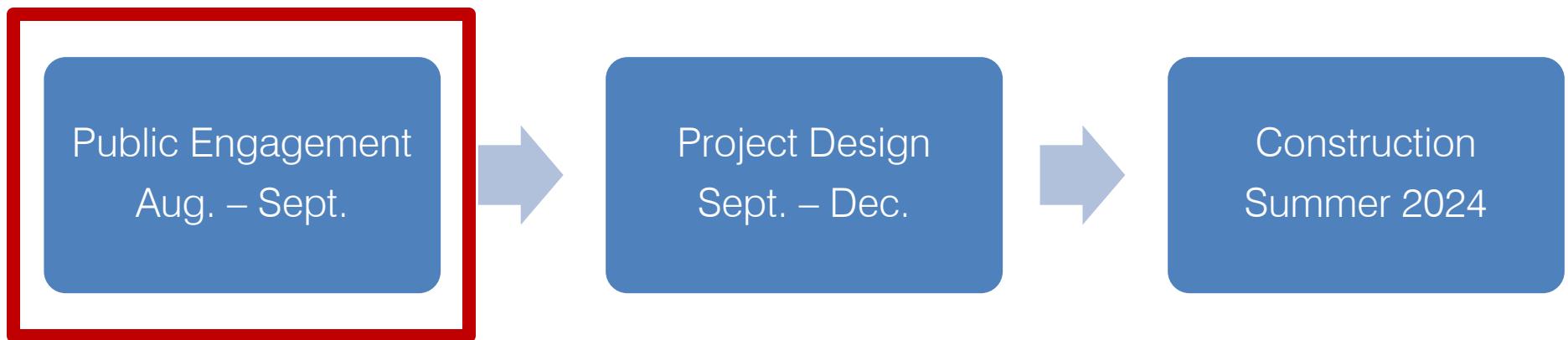
## Concept 'A'

- Convert existing grass medians to swales & green infrastructure.
- Center grass median w/ trees & green infrastructure to divide drive lanes with turn lane only at intersections.

## Concept 'B'

- Widen & convert existing grass medians to swales & green infrastructure.
- Narrowed drive lanes with turn lane only at intersections.

# Project Schedule



We want to hear from you!

Please take a moment to review the project page on the City of Albany website and participate in the online survey to share your thoughts and help shape the development of this important project:

Project Page

<https://www.albanyny.gov/2201/Manning-Boulevard-Improvement-Project>



Online Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DB9TGSP>



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Thank you for joining us!

Questions? Comments?

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