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**FM 973 from US 290 to SH 130
Open House**

Dec. 7, 2017

Manor Middle School



Project Purpose and Need

Purpose

- Improve north-south travel conditions in the Manor area
- Provide additional roadway capacity to meet future traffic demands due to population growth and increased traffic volumes

Need

- The existing roadway configuration does not provide a direct, continuous and efficient movement of traffic between US 290 and SH 130, resulting in reduced mobility
- Increasing population and associated residential developments have led to increased traffic on FM 973 through Manor
- The existing facility does not adequately accommodate current and projected traffic volumes



Proposed FM 973 Realignment

- Realigns FM 973 in a new location between US 290 and SH 130 near Manor
- Consists of four travel lanes (two in each direction), separated by a grassy median with center-turn lanes in various locations
- Enhances access for bicyclists and pedestrians by constructing a shared-use path and sidewalk
- Requires between 71 and 122 acres of new right of way (depending on which alternative is selected)

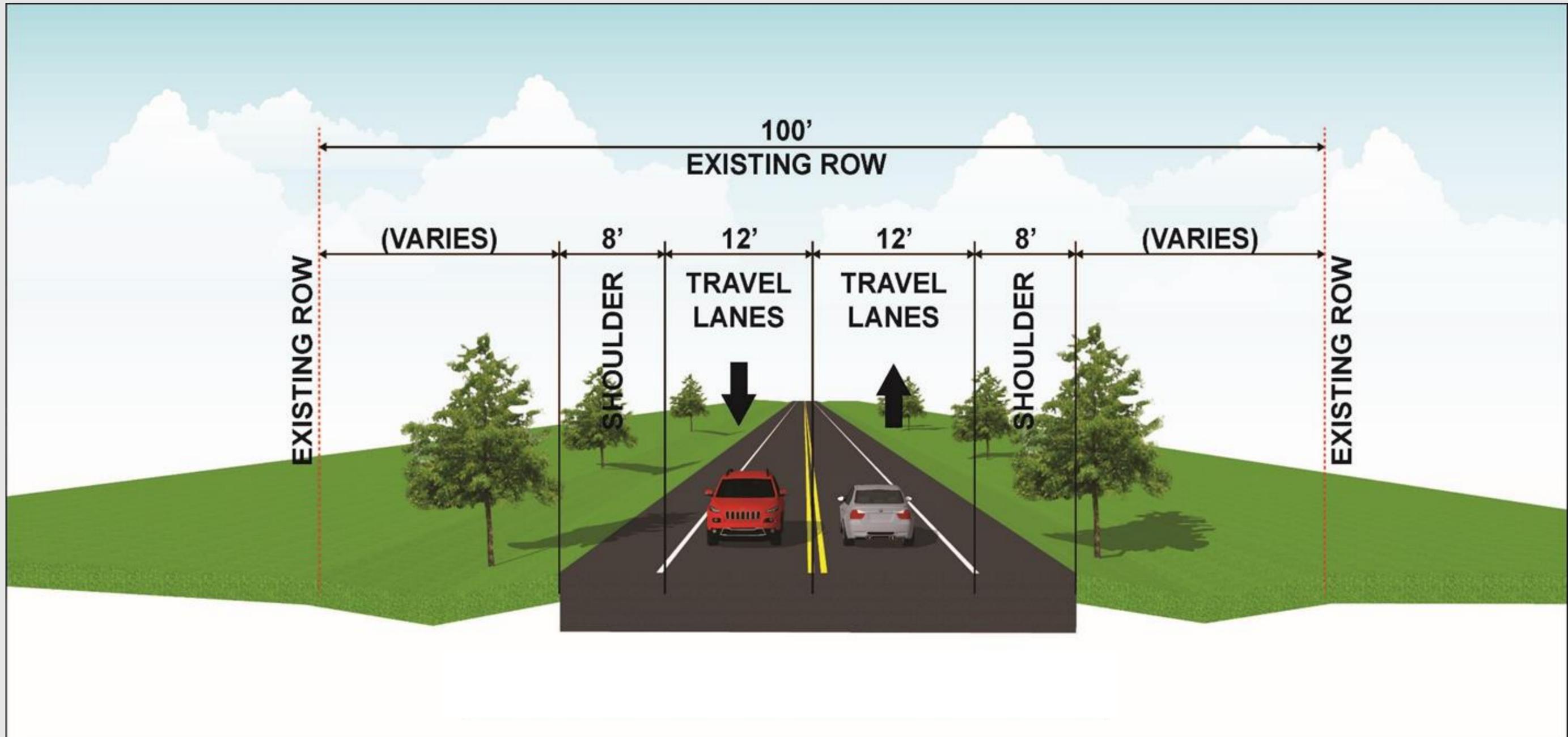


Environmental Constraints Matrix

EVALUATION CRITERIA	Unit of Measurement	Alternative A (Red)	Alternative B (Green)	Alternative C (Yellow)	Alternative D (Blue)
Meets Need and Purpose	Yes/No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Length of Facility	Miles	5.08	4.74	5.61	5.38
ROW/Easement Requirements	Acres	71	85	122	115
Estimated Construction Cost	Millions (\$)	37	35	40	38
Displacements					
Residential	Number	4	2	2	5
Commercial (Gas Station)	Number	0	0	1	0
Institutional (Church)	Number	0	0	1	0
100-year Floodplain Impacts	Acres	48	34	32	33
National Wetlands Inventory Features	Number	9	10	13	11
Potential Threatened/Endangered Species Impacts	Low/Medium/High	Low	Low	Low	Low
Probability to Encounter Archeological Resources	Low/Medium/High	High	High	High	High

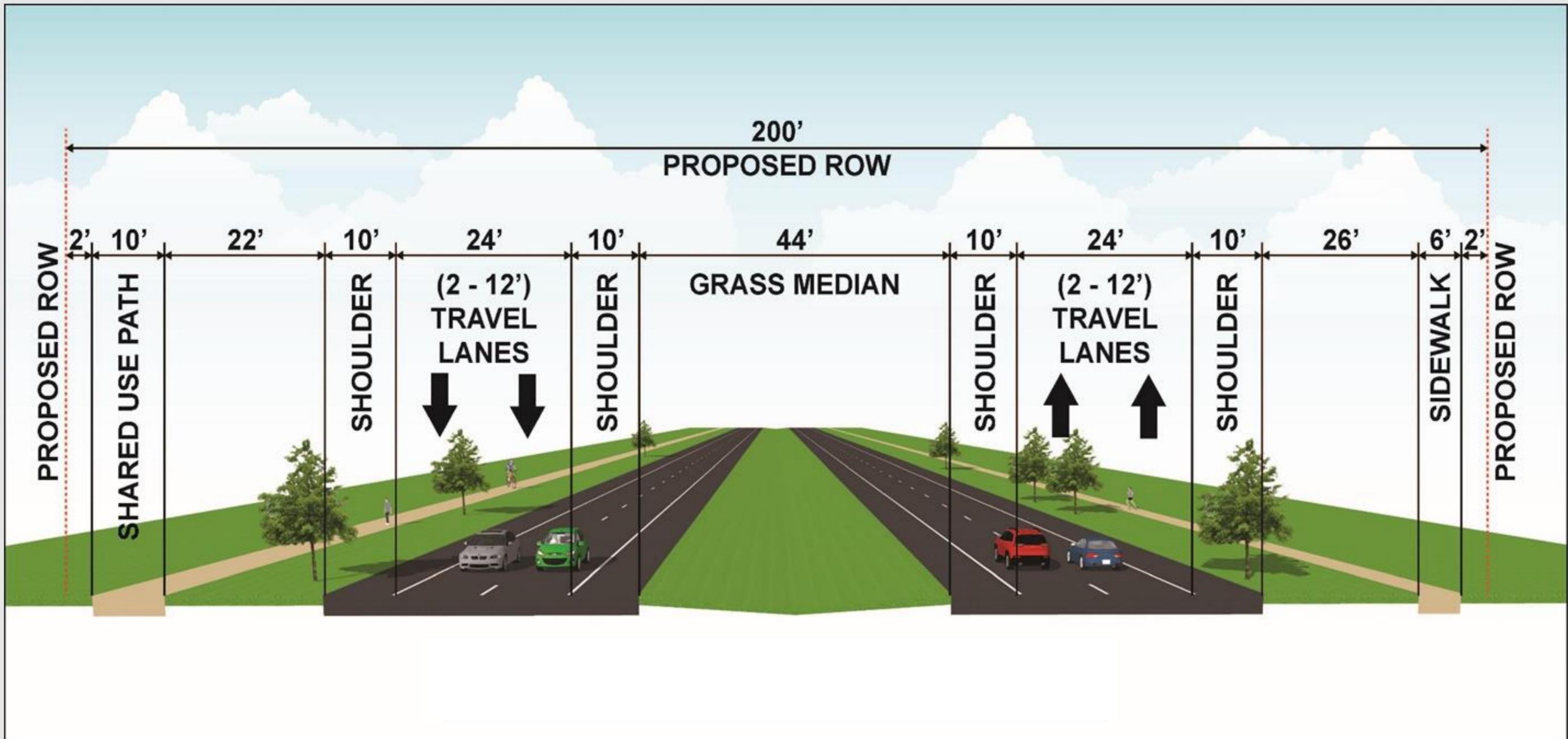


Existing FM 973 Roadway Configuration





Proposed FM 973 Roadway Configuration





We Want Your Input!

Written comment forms are available this evening. You can also mail, email, or submit comments online by **Friday, Dec. 22, 2017** to:

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