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Boardman Main Street Interchange Area Management Plan

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Chapter 1. Executive Summary

The Main Street interchange with Interstate 84 in the City of Boardman is a vital link for regional travel and it provides a connection between the two sides of the community. The Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) was initiated to develop a shared plan between the City and the State to make sure that all travelers can use the interchange safely and efficiently as the city continues to grow. The elements of the IAMP lay out the tools needed to make this happen. The City portion of the plan includes specific circulation plans and roadway standards to guide development review and approval and the ODOT portion of the plan includes a list of improvement projects to be done at the interchange. No changes to the current circulation patterns or street conditions will be done until traffic growth reaches specific thresholds identified in the plan.

Goals and Objectives

The main goal of the IAMP is to provide for safe and efficient travel around the interchange. The IAMP report describes the overall study process, identifies expected safety and traffic congestion issues associated with growth, and lays out the responsibilities for the City and ODOT to maintain good traffic operations, while providing for the needs of the property owners who rely on the interchange for local access.

The IAMP objectives include:

- A thorough analysis of the issues for the interchange.
- Identification of the opportunities to improve access and circulation for all modes of transportation.
- Utilization of public involvement and technical methods to develop and refine improvement options.
- Prioritization of improvement projects.

The IAMP was developed in partnership with affected property owners in the interchange area, the City of Boardman, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and other stakeholders, including interchange users. The public-at-large and any interested local business operations within the study area were notified of public meetings related to this project, and they were provided opportunities to participate outside of the formal project committee process.

Relevant Plans and Standards

Any roadway improvements on or near state facilities must comply with statewide standards and plans to be funded for construction. Projects that fall short of these standards typically are not advanced to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, because they represent higher safety risks and provide less carrying capacity than other standard designs.

One of the fundamental standards measures how congested traffic is during the busiest hours of the day, within the design life of the project. For most cases, new improvements are planned for at least 20 years of useful operation to maximize the investment in the facility. More congestion creates more delays, which can impact freight mobility and general traffic safety. For ODOT facilities, the standard is 85

percent of capacity at the Main Street / I-84 interchange. The city has its own standard, which allows slightly less congestion (80 percent), and it is referred to as Level of Service "C".

Access spacing is the other important standard to be considered, in terms of how it affects traffic safety and mobility. Greater distance between successive cross-streets or driveways allows more reaction time for drivers, reduces conflicts between trucks, cars, pedestrians and bicycles, and gives more vehicle stacking space for turns off of the main roadway. In general, a good access management plan provides a safer and more efficient circulation system. ODOT has specific access standards near interchanges. These standards cannot always be met in communities, and they are balanced against the existing access patterns to identify available options for local access that are closer to preferred standards.

A summary of the background plan review is included in the Appendix.

Existing Land Use and Transportation Issues

Geographic Boundaries

The IAMP study area is divided into two parts: the first is the influence area, which is the land area that generally will affect travel patterns related to the interchange, and the second is the management area, which are the land uses and circulation systems immediately adjacent to interchange. Figure 1.1 shows the study area boundaries.

For the Main Street IAMP, the influence area includes the entire city of Boardman as future development within the city will be considered in assessing the long-range needs and solutions within the interchange. The management area is more narrowly focused on the land uses that have more immediate impacts on roadway access, operations and safety of the interchange.

The management area limits generally extend one-quarter mile north and one-quarter mile south of I-84 along Main Street. North of I-84, most of the property is fully developed along the Main Street frontage area. In this developed portion of the city, the management area was limited to just one block either side of Main Street. This roadway was recently reconstructed (2005) through a Transportation Enhancement Grant, and it is not expected that any changes to existing access patterns would be made along North Main Street. There are several large parcels south of Boardman Avenue and east of Main Street that have commercial zoning and are vacant today. The management area includes those vacant lands.

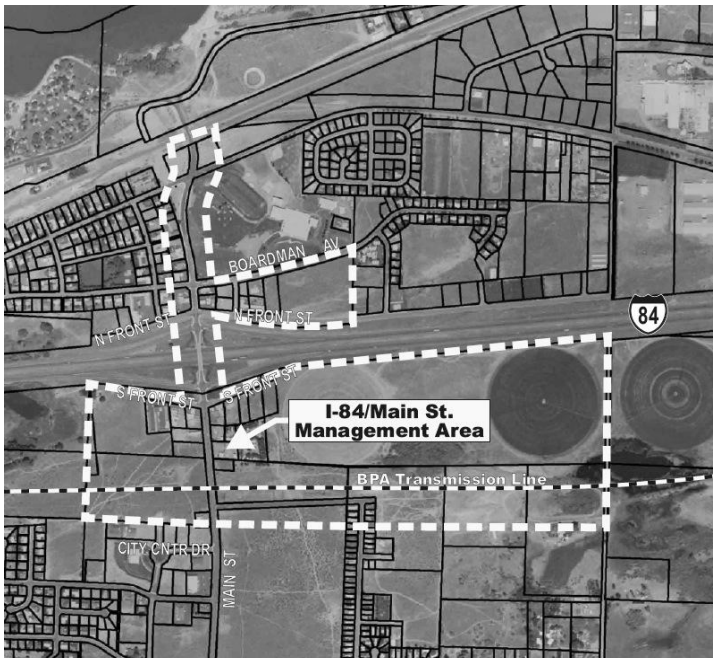

Figure 1.1: Management Area

South of I-84 there is much more opportunity for development of vacant lands or re-development of underutilized commercial land. The boundary of the management area includes all the developable area, extending just south of Oregon Trail Boulevard.

Local Access and Circulation

A total of 28 approaches to Main Street were identified within the management area (see Figure 3.4). Eleven of those are on South Main Street, from Front Street to just past Oregon Trail Boulevard. According to a strict interpretation of the standard, 4 would be allowed on South Main Street within the management area. It is not expected that full compliance can be achieved, given the built environment and prevailing development pattern, which limits alternative circulation options for these properties. Changes to access will only be initiated if the property develops (or re-develops) and there is a reasonable alternate access available. Refer to Figure 3.4 for more details.

A key element of the IAMP is to the long-range preservation of operational efficiency and safety of the interchange is the management of access to Main Street. Because access points introduce a number of potential vehicular conflicts on a roadway and are frequently the causes of slowing or stopping vehicles, they can significantly degrade the flow of traffic and reduce the efficiency of the transportation system. However, reducing the overall number of access points and providing greater separation between them can minimize the impacts of these conflicts.

An access management plan should be implemented to help work towards better compliance for accesses onto Main Street and to provide a basis for decision-making during the development review. Implementation of the access management plan is intended to occur over a long period of time because some affected properties maintain infrastructure (e.g. buildings and internal roadways) that was established based on prior approvals of access locations to the subject roadways and some elements of the plan depend on the presence of new public streets that can not be constructed until funds are made available. Therefore, the improvements in this plan have been prioritized and categorized into short-range, medium-range, and long-range actions, and a set of performance measures have been identified as 'triggers' for implementing changes to existing circulation and access patterns.

Refer to Chapter 4, for more details about the constraints, issues and challenges in addressing each of these areas. Other issues identified through the IAMP included proper roadway design guidelines for truck traffic, enhancement of non-motorized vehicle connections, and notations about existing right-of-way constraints.

Existing Safety and Operations

Reported vehicle crashes over the last five years showed no locations with significant trends relating to accident location or type. The two most prevalent types of reported crashes were angle crashes and rear end crashes. The crash rate at all of the intersections examined did not exceed 0.26 crashes per million entering vehicles. It does not appear that the roadways within the study area are experiencing an above average rate of crashes, and no countermeasures for crash reduction are needed.

Traffic data for 2006 were evaluated to determine how well the existing road intersections and segments perform compared to state and local standards. All of the state and city intersections within the study area operate within the acceptable performance range. The highest traffic volumes and longest delays were observed at the Main Street interchange. Refer to Table 3.2 for more details.

Future Forecasts and Needs Analysis

City growth projections for 2026 were based on the current land use zoning (from the existing Comprehensive Plan), expected residential construction rates, and input from the city staff and short-term developments. By 2026, the city population is estimated to grow by at least 1,800 persons, to just over 5,000 population. Non-residential growth in the retail and industrial sectors was assumed to be significantly higher than recent construction trends, to develop a conservatively high estimate for planning purposes. The change in auto and truck traffic associated with the forecasted growth was

determined to be nearly 11,700 additional daily trips throughout the city. The future traffic volumes on all study area roadways were identified.

Traffic volumes at the Main Street interchange are expected to more than double the level observed today. The peak hour traffic volumes will grow from about 600 vehicles per hour to about 1,300 vehicles per hour by 2026. This is a very substantial change. North of I-84, where the city is largely developed, the growth is much lower, about 50% above today's volumes. The expected volumes and percent change over current conditions is summarized in Table 1.1 below.

Table 1.1: Traffic Volume Growth at Main Street Interchanges (PM Peak Hour Two-Way Total)

Location	2006	2026	Percent Growth
Main Street north of I-84	635	975	54%
Main Street south of I-84	640	1395	118%

By 2026, one intersection is expected to exceed the performance standards during peak hours:

- Main Street at I-84 Westbound Ramp

Side street approaches at four other Main Street intersections showed heavy delays during peak hours at:

- Main Street at Boardman Avenue;
- Main Street at Front Street (North);
- Main Street at I-84 Eastbound Ramps;
- Main Street at Front Street (South).

A series of different solutions were evaluated, and discussed by staff and stakeholders. The final solution was incorporated into the IAMP, and other alternatives that were set aside for various reasons are summarized in the appendix to this report.

Development that is not consistent with the current zoning (and generates over 10% more PM peak hour traffic than the current zoning) will need to complete a traffic study and amend this IAMP.

Interchange Area Management Plan

The full IAMP plan is presented in Chapter 5 of this report. A summary follows.

Local Connectivity Plan

Incremental improvements can be made to the local street connections near the freeway, as additional land is developed, with the long-term goal of improved street connectivity, improved bicycle/pedestrian network and limited direct access to Main Street.

The future deficiencies analysis in Chapter 4 highlighted several areas where local connectivity was in need of improvement, including:

- Improving east-west connectivity;
- Improving north-south connectivity;
- Filling gaps in pedestrian and bicycle system;
- Providing access to lands surrounding the Main Street interchanges; and
- Reducing access points to Main Street to the north and south of the interchange.

In response to these needs, a local connectivity plan and access management plan were developed that builds on existing and planned streets in IAMP area. These plans not only improve overall connectivity throughout the City, but also provide the ability to consolidate approaches to Main Street, while maintaining accessibility to individual properties in the corridors. Refer to Figure 1.2 and Figure 5.1 for details.

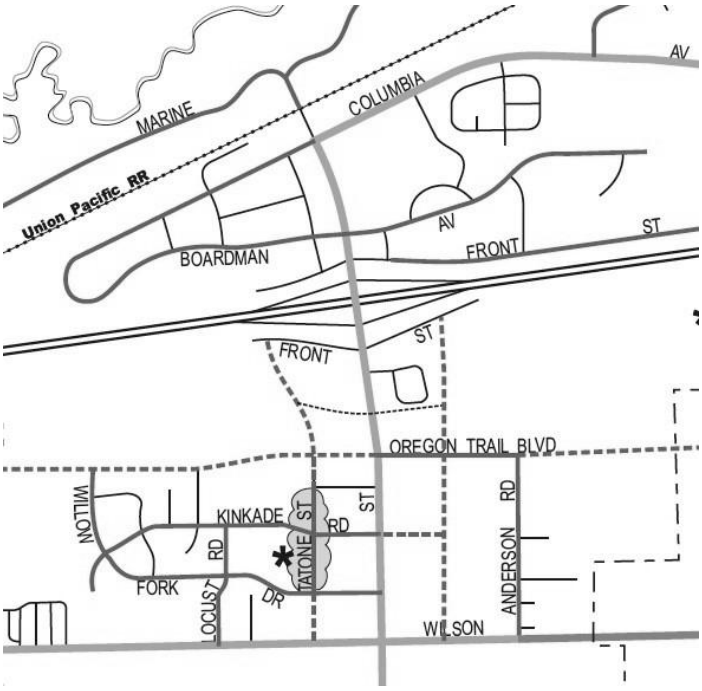

Figure 1.2: Main Street Area Plan

Access Management Plan

A key element of the IAMP related to the long-range preservation of operational efficiency and safety of the interchange is the management of access to the interchange crossroads. Because access points introduce a number of potential vehicular conflicts on a roadway and are frequently the causes of slowing or stopping vehicles, they can significantly degrade the flow of traffic and reduce the efficiency of the transportation system. However, reducing the overall number of access points and providing greater separation between them can minimize the impacts of these conflicts.

Implementation of the access management plan is intended to occur over a long period of time because some affected properties maintain infrastructure (e.g. buildings and internal roadways) that was established based on prior approvals of access locations to the subject roadways and some elements of the plan depend on the presence of new public streets that cannot be constructed until funds are made available. Therefore, the improvements in this plan have been prioritized and categorized into short-range, medium-range, and long-range actions, where the short-range actions are to be executed at this time and the medium and long-range actions are to be executed as needed funds become available or as opportunities arise during property redevelopment.

The goals of this access management plan are listed below:

1. Restrict all access from abutting properties to the interchange and interchange ramps.
2. Improve access spacing and safety factors within the interchange
3. In attempting to meet access management spacing standards, exceptions may be allowed to take advantage of existing property boundaries and existing or planned public streets, and to accommodate environmental constraints (i.e. BPA Easement).
4. Replace private approaches with public streets, where feasible, to provide consolidated access to multiple properties.
5. Ensure all properties impacted by the project are provided reasonable access to the transportation system.
6. Develop cross access easement agreements as properties (re)develop.
7. Align approaches on opposite sides of roadways where feasible to reduce turning conflicts.

8. Short-range actions shall accommodate existing development needs.

Using the goals, an action plan for each approach to Main Street was developed, as shown in Table 5.1 and Figure 5.2 in Chapter 5.

Interchange Improvements

The preferred Main Street Interchange improvements expand the existing diamond interchange. The project phasing would follow these steps:

- The freeway off-ramps would be widened to provide for separate turning lanes on the approaches to Main Street,
- Traffic signals would be installed at the off-ramp intersections with Main Street once traffic volumes grew enough to meet ODOT standards for traffic signal controls,
- The Main Street overpass would be expanded to accommodate a center left turn lane, bike lanes and wider sidewalks.

Improvement Cost Estimates

The improvement alternatives have been prioritized into short, medium, and long-range actions, as shown in Table 1.2, to provide guidance for future implementation and funding. The timing for implementing these actions assumes average growth over the next 20 years.

It should be recognized that the prioritization of projects is not intended to imply that short range projects must be implemented before the long range projects. Should opportunities arise, through private land development or other means, to construct specific projects earlier than the estimated time frame provided by this list, those resources should be utilized.

Planning-level cost estimates for all improvement alternatives were calculated to aid in the identification of needed funding. Cost estimates, shown in Table 1.2, included the fundamental elements of roadway construction projects, such as the roadway structure, bridge structures, curb and sidewalk, earthwork, retaining walls, pavement removal, and traffic signals. Right of Way costs are not included in the cost estimates. All costs are in 2007 dollars and do not reflect the added cost of inflation.

One way to provide funding for future projects (i.e. local street network and South Main Street), is for the City to establish a System Development Charge (SDC) or Local Improvement District (LID) program. These types of programs are set up to collect funds from developments and/or land owners and are based on the amount of traffic generated.

Table 1.2: IAMP Improvements

Short-Range Improvements (0 to 5 years)	Triggers	Estimated Cost	Potential Funding Source
• No specific short-range actions identified. Mid-range actions triggered earlier than 5 years.	- Increase in crashes - Property (re)development	NA	• City • Property owners
Medium-Range Improvements (5 to 10 years)			
• Reconstruct South Main Street.	- Money becomes available - Property (re)development	$3 Million	• ODOT • City
• Medium-range actions from access management plan.	- Increase in crashes	NA	• City

Short-Range Improvements (0 to 5 years)	Triggers	Estimated Cost	Potential Funding Source
	- Recurring public complaint - Property (re)development		• Property owners
• Construct additional approach lane on I-84 ramp terminals	- Increase in crashes - LOS drops below standards - Turn lanes warranted	$150,000	• FHWA • ODOT • City
Long-Range Improvements (10 to 20 years)			
• Construct new public streets according to adopted Local Connectivity Plan.	- Property (re)development	$10 to 12 million	• City • Property owners
• Install traffic signal at Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp	- Traffic signal warrants met	$300,000	• ODOT • City
• Reconstruct Main Street Bridge over I-84 – including wider sidewalk, bike lanes and turn lanes.	- Turn lanes warranted - Money becomes available - ODOT Bridge program – structural deficiency - Increase in bike/ped crashes	$10 to 15 million	• FHWA • ODOT • City
• Long-range actions from access management plan.	- Increase in crashes - Recurring public complaints - Property (re)development	NA	• City • Property Owners
Note: Medium and long-range improvements could be constructed sooner than anticipated as opportunities arise through private property development or other means.			

Table 1.3 shows the general size of development that is projected to happen in the next 20 years, assuming a constant growth rate. The magnitude of development (and associated trips) shown in the table is meant to serve as a guide as to when the short, medium and long range improvements may be needed. If growth rates are substantially faster or slower than anticipated, the implementation of the actions should be reevaluated, as appropriate.

Table 1.3: Basis for Project Priorities

Description of Land Development within South Main Street Corridor	Short Range 0 to 5 Years	Medium Range 5 to 10 Years	Long Range 10 to 20 Years	Total
Residential Units	85	85	170	340 residential units
Non-Residential Gross Building Area in Square Feet	65,000	65,000	130,000	260,000 square feet gross building area
Peak Hour trips net new peak hour trips above 2006 traffic counts	250	250	500	1000 new peak hour trip ends

Chapter 2. Plan Goals, Objectives, and Evaluation Criteria

This chapter describes and presents the goals and objectives for the plan, as well as evaluation criteria to measure the effectiveness of strategies. A policy framework was identified based on reviews and summary of the applicable state and local plans, policies, regulations, and design standards (see Appendix for details). This policy framework was used to develop the project goals, objectives and evaluation criteria that are presented in the following sections.

Goals & Objectives

Project Goal

The primary goal of this project is to develop an IAMP for the interchange of I-84 at Main Street (Exit 164), to keep it operating safely and efficiently as the community grows. The IAMP describes the overall study process, identifies potential safety and traffic congestion issues and alternative solutions, and lays out the implementation steps.

The IAMP will be developed in partnership with affected property owners in the interchange area, the City of Boardman and the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and other stakeholders, including interchange users.

Objectives and Evaluation Criteria

The Project Goals have been met if the following objectives are achieved. A bulleted list of evaluation criteria follows each objective.

1. The IAMP shall include a thorough analysis of the issues for the interchange.
    - Identify and address existing and foreseeable issues related to land use, mobility, accessibility, and safety within the analysis area of the planned interchange.
    - Meet the minimum level of service / mobility standards and other requirements identified in state transportation plans, such as the Oregon Transportation Plan, 1999 Oregon Highway Plan (OHP), and Oregon Freight Plan.
    - Include an inventory map summarizing the existing conditions within the Interchange Study Area.
2. The IAMP shall identify and assess the needs and opportunities to improve access and circulation for all modes of transportation.
    - Describe the roadway network, right-of-way, access control and land parcels in the Interchange Study Area. It also evaluates local street access, circulation, connectivity, and the potential effect of local land use designations on the interchange.
    - Identify development patterns which reduce the reliance on the interchanges while increasing efficiency of the use of land within the urban growth boundary.

- Implement the OHP's Policy 3C criteria, which requires the planning and management of grade-separated interchange areas to ensure safe and efficient operation between connecting roadways.
- Include policies and implementing measures that preserve the functionality of the interchange areas.

3. The preparation of the IAMP shall utilize public involvement and technical methods to develop and refine improvement options.
    - Involve affect property owners in the interchange area, the City of Boardman, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and other stakeholders, including interchange users.
    - Incorporate input and guidance from the Project Management Team (PMT).
    - Reflect, to the extent possible, the input of local property owners, interchange users, and other stakeholders, as gathered through public comments.
4. The IAMP shall prioritize improvement projects.
    - Identify and prioritize the transportation improvements, land use, and access management plans needed to maintain acceptable traffic operations in the Interchange Study Area.
    - Include short, medium and long-range actions to improve and maintain roadway operations and safety in the Interchange Study Area. These actions may include local street network improvements, driveways consolidations, shared roadways, access management, traffic control devices, and / or local land use actions.
    - Include a Transportation Improvements Map showing the opportunities to improve operations and safety within the City of Boardman and specifically in the Interchange Study Area.
5. The IAMP shall be forwarded through the adoption process.
    - A draft version shall be reviewed by the Boardman planning Commission, as well as the Boardman City Council. A final draft of the IAMP shall be adopted by the City Council.
    - Identify likely funding sources and requirements for the construction of the infrastructure and facility improvements as new development is approved.
    - Identify partnerships for the cooperative management of future projects and establishes a process for coordinated review of land use decisions affecting transportation facilities.

Chapter 3. Existing Land Use and Transportation Conditions

This chapter provides an inventory and evaluation of transportation facilities within the IAMP study area, which can be used to identify areas needing improvement and can act as a baseline for assessment of future conditions. This includes identification and description of existing land uses, area streets, traffic controls, pedestrian facilities, freight routes and property access, as well as an analysis of the crash history, access management deficiencies, and intersection capacity.

Study Area Land Uses

Interstate 84 runs east and west through the City of Boardman and divides the town into roughly one third to the north and two-thirds to the south. The two roadways that cross Interstate 84 (I-84) and connect the north and south parts of town are Main Street and Laurel Avenue. The main east-west roads in Boardman are Marine Drive, Columbia Avenue and Wilson Road. Currently, the predominant employment centers are located north of I-84 and the residential is generally south of I-84, which creates the need for regular trips across the freeway.

The IAMP focuses on the land uses and circulation patterns that affect operations and safety at the Main Street interchange. The IAMP study area is divided into two parts: the first is the *influence area*, which considers the current and planned land development patterns that will affect travel patterns related to the interchange, and the second is the *management area*, which are the adjoining land uses and circulation systems within the immediate area of the interchange. The influence area includes the entire city of Boardman as future development within the City will be considered in assessing the long-range needs and solutions at the interchange. The management area is more focused on the land uses in close proximity, as defined by ODOT standards and guidelines. The selected geographic boundaries for the IAMP study area is discussed below and shown in Figure 3.1.

Management area limits generally extend one-quarter mile north and one-quarter mile south of I-84 along Main Street. North of I-84, most of the property is fully developed along the Main Street frontage area. In this developed portion of the city, the management area was limited to just one block either side of Main Street. This roadway was recently reconstructed (2005) through a Transportation Enhancement Grant, and it is not expected that any changes to existing access patterns would be made along North Main Street.

There are several large parcels south of Boardman Avenue and east of Main Street that have commercial zoning and are vacant today. The management area includes those vacant lands.

South of I-84 there is much more opportunity for development of vacant lands or re-development of underutilized commercial land. The boundary of the management area includes all the developable area, extending just south of Oregon Trail Boulevard.

Study Area Street Network

The roadways within the study area have designated functional classifications, which identify how they are to be used, and the appropriate standards for operations and design. These roadways are listed below in Tables 3.1. The I-84 mainline and freeway ramps are federally owned and operated by ODOT, while the rest of the roadways are owned and operated by the City of Boardman.

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Figure 3.1

STUDY AREA

Table 3.1: Study Area Roadways for Main Street IAMP

ODOT Jurisdiction		
Roadway	**Limits**	**Functional Classification**
I-84	Main Street Interchange	Interstate highway on National Highway System and Freight Route
City of Boardman Jurisdiction		
Roadway	**Limits**	**Functional Classification**
Main Street	Wilson Road – Marine Drive	Arterial
Boardman Avenue	W 1st Street – E 1st Street	Minor collector
NW Front Street	W 1st Street – E 1st Street	Minor collector
SW Front Street	Entire length	Local street

With these roadways identified as the primary means of circulation through the area, key intersections along these routes were selected for capacity analysis. Through a field inventory, the existing lane configurations and traffic controls at each intersection were documented and are displayed in Figure 3.2. There are no signalized intersections within the study area. Main Street has a three lane cross-section, including a continuous left turn lane, from I-84 to Columbia Avenue. All other roadways are currently two lanes.

Operational Analysis

Traffic Volumes

Traffic data was collected at five intersections within the City on September 19, 2006.

16-hour intersection turn movement counts were collected at the two interstate ramp intersections:

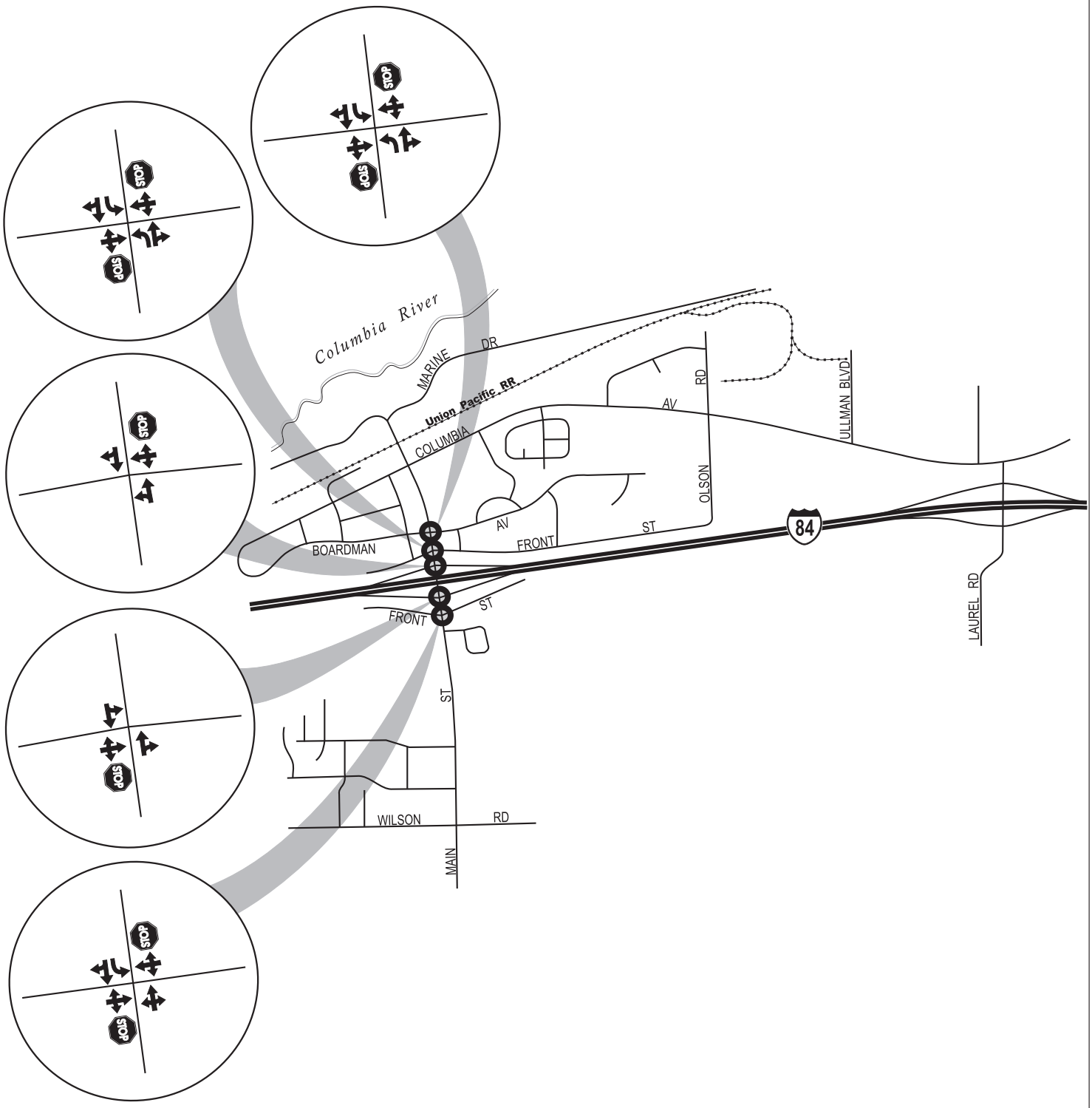
- I-84 EB Ramp at Main Street
- I-84 WB Ramp at Main Street

PM Peak Hour turning movement counts were collected at three additional intersections within the City:

- Main Street at Boardman Avenue
- Main Street at Front Street (north)
- Main Street at Front Street (south)

The PM Peak traffic counts were collected from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Based on an evaluation of the count data, the evening peak hour for the operational analysis was determined to be from 4:05 to 5:05 PM for study intersections along Main Street.

The existing peak hour volumes were adjusted using the ODOT seasonal trend table. There are no automatic traffic recorders with similar characteristics nearby, therefore the seasonal trend method was used to develop design hour volumes. The Interstate trend was used to determine the seasonal factor. The adjusted PM Peak hour volume data is shown in Figure 3.3.



LEGEND

- Study Intersection
- Lane Configuration
- Stop Sign

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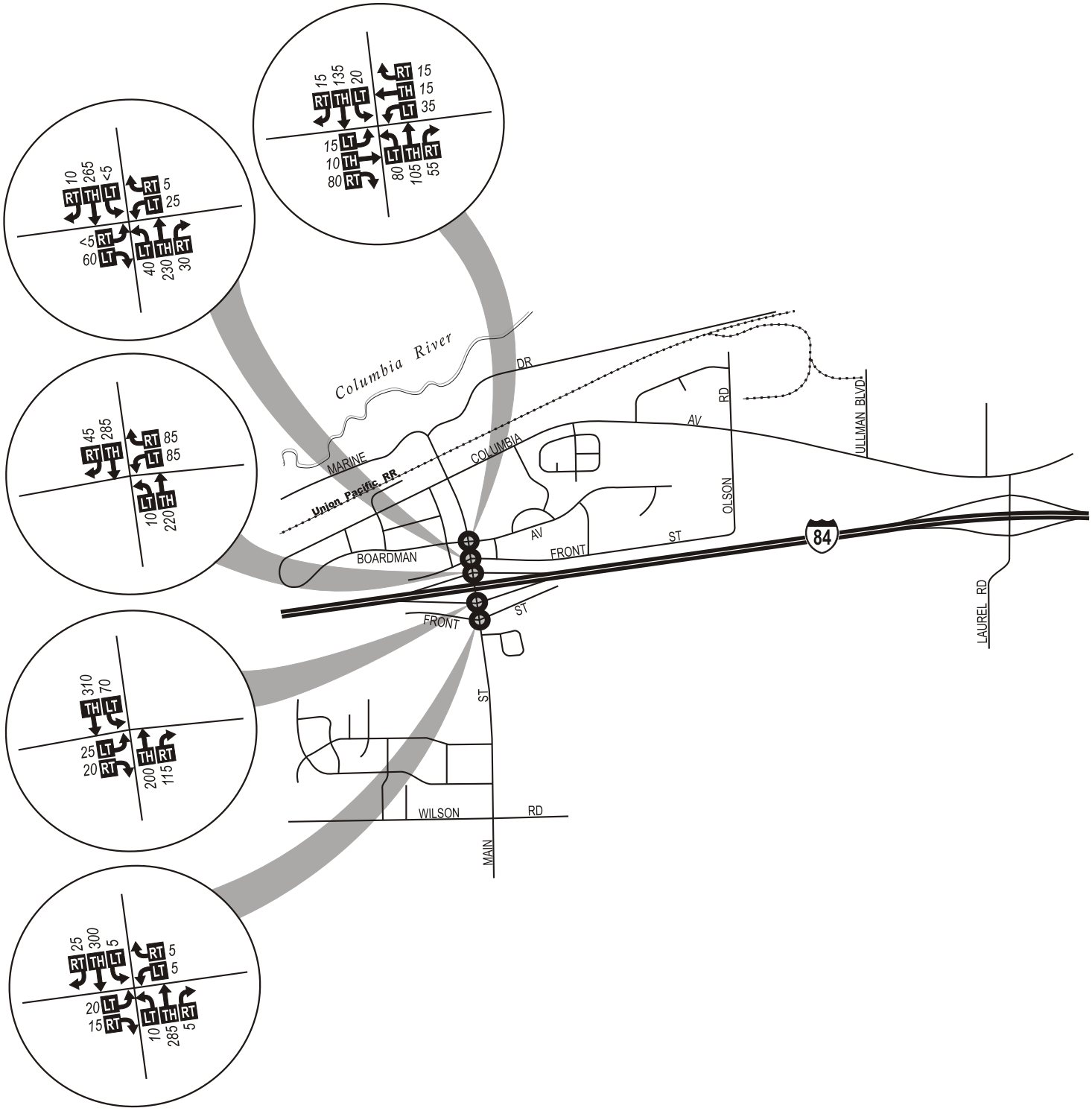
Figure 3.2

EXISTING LANE CONFIGURATIONS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES



LEGEND

- Study Intersection
- *PM* - Peak Hour Traffic Volumes
  - *PM Peak* - 4:05-5:05 pm
- LT TH RT - Volume Turn Movement (Left•Thru•Right)

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Figure 3.3

2006 EXISTING WEEKDAY PM PEAK HOURS TRAFFIC VOLUMES

Study Area Roadway Performance

Study intersections within the IAMP area were analyzed using *Highway Capacity Manual*[1] methodologies for unsignalized intersections for comparison with the applicable jurisdiction's adopted performance standards. I-84 is designated as an Interstate highway, while Main Street is classified as an arterial and is under the jurisdiction of the city of Boardman. Performance standards for the freeway interchange ramp terminals have been adopted by ODOT in the *1999 Oregon Highway Plan*[2] (*OHP*). The maximum volume to capacity (V/C) ratio of ramp terminals of interchange ramps shall be 0.85.

All non-state roadways within the study area are under the jurisdiction of the City of Boardman. The City has adopted standards for performance of City streets requiring operation of LOS "C" or better during the peak hour of the average weekday.

Level of Service (LOS) categories are similar to report card ratings for traffic performance. Intersections are typically the controlling bottlenecks of traffic flow and the ability of a roadway system to carry traffic efficiently is generally diminished in their vicinities. LOS A, B and C indicate conditions where traffic moves without significant delays over periods of peak travel demand. LOS D and E are progressively worse peak hour operating conditions and F conditions represent where demand exceeds the capacity of an intersection. Most urban communities set LOS D as the minimum acceptable level of service for peak hour operation and plan for LOS C or better for all other times of the day. The *Highway Capacity Manual* provides LOS calculation methodology for both intersections and arterials.

The traffic volume data shown in Figure 3.3 was used in the analysis. The percentage of heavy vehicles at each intersection was obtained from the traffic counts and used in the analysis. From this analysis, intersection LOS and volume to capacity ratios were obtained.

Table 3.2 shows the existing operational analysis for the unsignalized intersections within the Main Street IAMP study area. The results shown represent the critical movement at each intersection (usually a stop-controlled movement, such as a side-street left turn or crossing movement), along with the average intersection delay and LOS. As can be seen from this table, none of the intersections fail to operate within acceptable standards.

Table 3.2: Weekday PM Peak Hour Intersection Level of Service Main Street IAMP Area

Intersection	Critical Movement			Average Intersection		Performance Standard	Met ?
	Direction	LOS	Volume / Capacity	Delay (sec)	LOS		
I-84 EB Ramp / Main Street	EB	B	0.07	1.7	A	V/C < 0.85	Yes
I-84 WB Ramp / Main Street	WB	B	0.18	3.3	A	V/C < 0.85	Yes
Main Street / Boardman Avenue	WB	B	0.10	5.0	A	LOS > C	Yes
Main Street / Front Street (North)	WB	C	0.09	2.4	A	LOS > C	Yes
Main Street / Front Street (South)	EB	B	0.06	1.1	A	LOS > C	Yes

Heavy Vehicles

The percentage of heavy truck vehicles observed at local intersections was a little higher than average. For the purposes of this analysis, a heavy truck is defined as having more than 3 axles. The heavy vehicle traffic is due to the proximity of the industrial land north of I-84 to the interchange, and access to commercial services along an interstate freight route. The actual number of heavy vehicles entering the

[1] *Highway Capacity Manual*, Transportation Research Board, Washington, D.C., 2000.
[2] *1999 Oregon Highway Plan*, Oregon Department of Transportation, 1999.

intersections was not above average, but since the total number of entering vehicles at these intersections is relatively low, it is understandable why the percentage of heavy vehicles is higher than average.

Table 3.3 shows the PM Peak hour heavy vehicle percentages at the Main Street IAMP study area intersections.

Table 3.3: Weekday PM Peak Hour Volumes Within Main Street IAMP Study Area

Intersection	Total Vehicles	Heavy Vehicle	Heavy Vehicle %
I-84 EB Ramp/Main Street			
Northbound	286	16	5.6%
Southbound	351	16	4.6%
Eastbound	45	13	28.9%
I-84 WB Ramp/Main Street			
Northbound	213	14	6.6%
Southbound	299	24	8.0%
Westbound	159	24	15.1%
Main Street/Boardman Ave			
North/Southbound	379	29	7.6%
East/Westbound	162	7	4.3%
Main Street/Front Street (north)			
North/Southbound	540	36	6.6%
East/Westbound	87	15	17.2%
Main Street/Front Street (south)			
North/Southbound	579	36	6.2%
East/Westbound	38	1	2.6%

It is noted that the heavy vehicle percentages were considered in the operational analysis for each of the study area intersections. Due to the length and weight of heavy vehicles, the start up time is much slower that passenger cars. This slow start up time, in addition to the length of the vehicle can create long queues. The heavy vehicles must also wait for a larger gap in the traffic before pulling out, which can add to the delay at the intersection.

The effect of large trucks was included in the foregoing capacity analysis. It was found that all of the study intersections currently operate within acceptable standards even taking into account the high percentage of heavy vehicles.

Heavy vehicles have much larger turning radii than passenger cars and the intersection geometrics along the freight routes must take this into account.

Crash Analysis

The last five years (2001 – 2005) of available crash data for the entire City of Boardman was obtained from the ODOT Crash Analysis and Reporting Unit. The crashes within the Main Street interchange study area were analyzed and are listed in Table 3.4.

Table 3.4: Study Intersection Collision Data by Type

Intersection	Backing	Pedestrian/ Bicycle	Angle	Rear-End	Turning Movement	Fixed Object	Total		Fatality	Injury	Property Damage	Accident Rate*
I-84 EB Ramp/Main Street	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	0.0
I-84 WB Ramp/Main Street	-	-	1	1	1	-	**3**		-	-	3	0.24
Main Street/Boardman Ave	-	-	1	-	-	1	**2**		-	2	-	0.20
Main Street/Front Street (north)	-	1	-	-	-	1	**2**		-	1	1	0.17
Main Street/Front Street (south)	1	-	2	-	-	-	**3**		-	1	2	0.26
Main Street/Columbia Avenue	-	-	1	2	-	-	**3**		-	-	3	0.53
Total Collisions	**1**	**1**	**5**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**13**		**0**	**4**	**9**	

Source: ODOT – Transportation Data Section – Crash Analysis and Reporting Unit, Continuous System Crash Listing, City of Boardman, 2000-2004.

*Accident Rate is measured in Accidents per Million Vehicles Entering intersection per year.

Through an examination of individual crashes over the last five years, it was noted that there were not any significant trends relating to accident location or type. The two most prevalent types of reported crashes were angle crashes and rear end crashes.

Normally, the crash analysis is supplemented by reviewing ODOT's Safety Priority Index System (SPIS) listing for locations in the study areas ranked among the state's top 10% of hazardous locations. The SPIS is a method developed by ODOT for identifying hazardous locations on state highways. None of the intersections within the study area are identified on the ODOT SPIS list

Based on this information, it does not appear that the roadways within the study areas are experiencing an above average rate of crashes. Therefore, no countermeasures for crash reduction are needed.

Local Access and Circulation

An inventory of the existing access points along Main Street was compiled for the management area. Access to Main Street is in the form of private driveways, public easements, and public roadways.

Oregon's Access Management Rule is used to control the issuing of permits for access to state highways, state highway rights of way and other properties under the State's jurisdiction. Access within the influence area of existing or proposed state highway interchanges is regulated by standards in OAR 734-051. These standards do not retroactively apply to interchanges existing prior to adoption of the 1999 Oregon Highway Plan, except or until any redevelopment, change of use, or highway construction, reconstruction or modernization project affecting these existing interchanges occurs.

Figure 3.4 shows the location of the access points in the Main Street IAMP management study area. Main Street north of I-84 was recently reconstructed, which consolidated some access, but there are still a number of driveways and three public roadways that are within the interchange management area. Main Street south of I-84 has very little access control. There are three properties that have no clear curb cuts, which allow vehicles to access the property all along the frontage. This leads to conflicts between entering and exiting vehicles and is dangerous for pedestrians. The close spacing of North Front Street and South Front Street to the I-84 Ramp intersections creates conflict points between vehicles on the ramps and vehicles wanting to access local businesses. The BPA power line crosses South Main Street

just north of Oregon Trail. Access to the power line must be maintained for operational and maintenance purposes.

Issues to be Addressed

- Reduce number of conflict points on Main Street. The close spacing of North Front Street and South Front Street create conflict points between turning vehicles and pedestrians. Alternate access should be investigated.
- The access to the properties directly south of I-84 along Main Street needs to be demarcated and evaluated.
- Ensure the adequacy of the roadway network in terms of function, capacity, level of service and safety.
- Serve the existing, proposed and future land uses with an efficient and safe transportation network.
- Design and construct the transportation system to enhance safety and mobility for all modes.

Some of these issues can be addressed through small incremental projects prior to major reconstruction.

Pedestrians/Bicycles

To assess the adequacy of pedestrian and bicycle facilities in Boardman, an inventory of sidewalks, designated bike lanes, shoulder bikeways, identified shared roadways and off- street trails along the city streets was conducted. The location of existing activity centers such as parks, schools, City Hall and the city library were identified to determine possible pedestrian/bicycle trip generators. The high school is located north of I-84 while the elementary school, library and City Hall are all located south of I-84. The existing pedestrian network includes sidewalks along many of the local roads and a multi-use path along Wilson Road. However, there are very limited locations to cross I-84.

The City has applied for Transportation Enhancement Funding in the past to provide pedestrian and bicycle facilities on South Main Street. This section of Main Street currently has a multi-use path for pedestrians and bicycles. The previously proposed project would have provided sidewalk and bike lanes to improve the north-south connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists. The City may continue to pursue state funding in the future to help rebuild this section of roadway.

Figure 3.5 shows existing pedestrian facility inventory within the study area as well as the location of major activity centers. Sidewalk connectivity is adequate in the residential areas and near most schools. It is desirable to provide at least one continuous sidewalk connection between activity centers and arterial and collector roadways to provide safe and attractive non-motorized travel options. There are locations where sidewalk coverage could be more complete and provide greater connectivity throughout the city.

There is a multi-use path for bicycles along the north side of Wilson Road and bike lanes along North Main Street. Along the other roadways, bicyclists must share the travel lane with motor vehicles or use the shoulder if available. In many cases, this is not a desirable option for bicyclists due to narrow widths or uneven pavement conditions. Adequate bicycle facility connections should be provided to allow for safe travel between neighborhoods and activity centers.

The identified pedestrian and bicycle issues are summarized below.

LEGEND

0 - Access Location & Number

- No Access Control

000 - Tax Lot ID#

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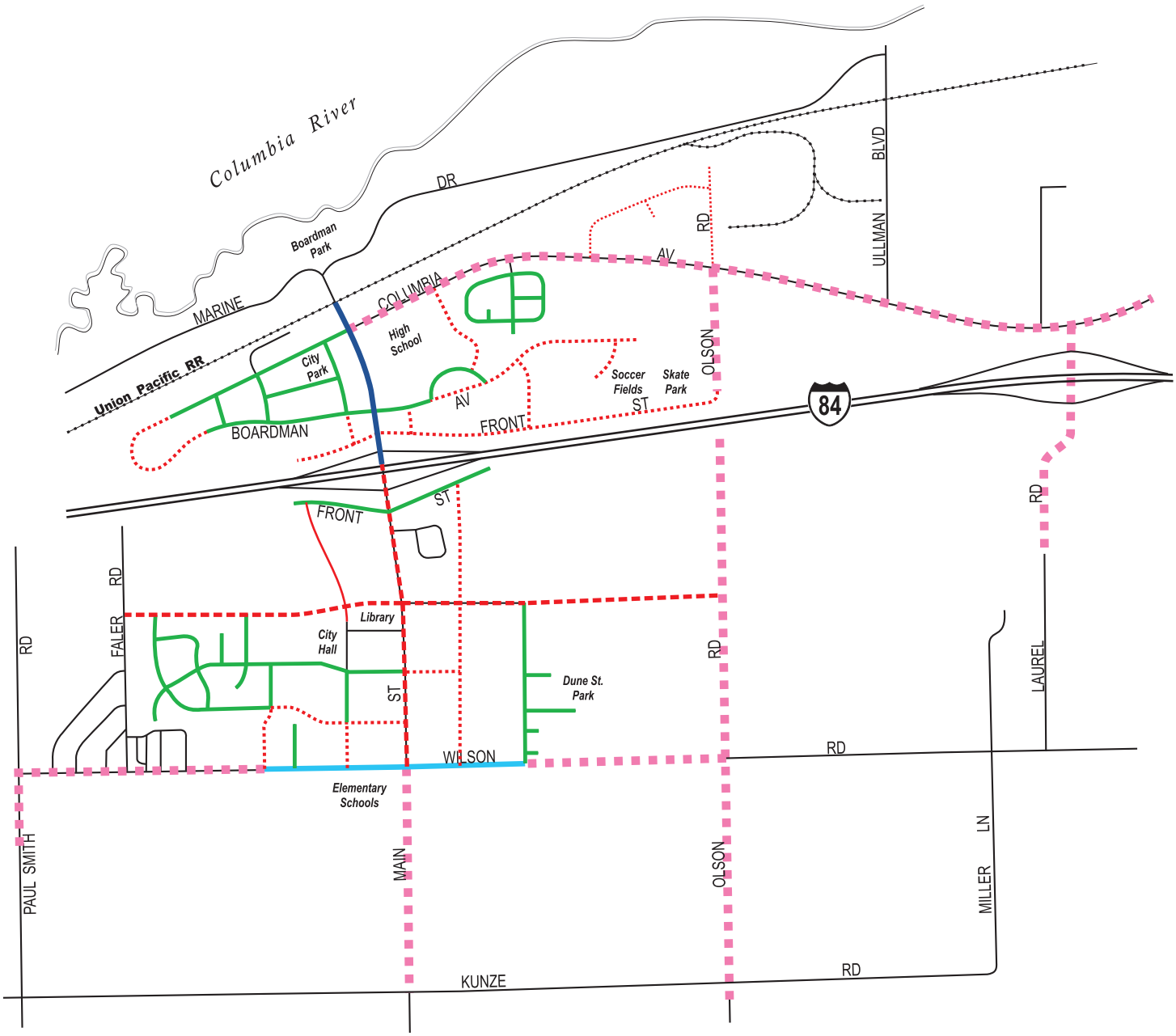
Figure 3.4

MAIN STREET IAMP
EXISTING ACCESS POINTS



LEGEND

- Existing Sidewalk
- Existing Sidewalks & Bike Lanes
- Existing Multi-Use Path
- Future Sidewalk
- Future Sidewalks & Bike Lanes
- Future Multi-Use Path

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Figure 3.5

EXISTING PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE NETWORK

Issues to be Addressed

Deficiencies in the existing pedestrian facility network include:

- Sidewalks throughout the City should be ADA compliant and meet ODOT grant requirements.
- Continuity and quality of sidewalks on Main Street on the bridge over I-84. The narrow sidewalk width creates an uncomfortable pedestrian environment, particularly with the heavy vehicles that travel along the roadway.
- Several potential enhancements that should be considered are additional street lighting, curb extensions to reduce crossing distance and median treatments to provide pedestrians a "safe haven" at a mid-block crossing.
- There is no connection between Olson Road on the north and south sides of I-84. Pedestrians cannot cross I-84 at this location.

Deficiencies in the existing bicycle facility network include:

- There are no bike lanes on the Main Street overpass. This creates a potentially unsafe environment, particularly with the heavy vehicles within the interchange area.
- There is no connection between Olson Road on the north and south sides of I-84. Bicyclists cannot cross I-84 at this location.

Freight

A large portion of the land north of I-84 in Boardman is zoned for Industrial. The freight transport serving this area consists of truck, rail and barge. These modes all converge in the Port of Morrow which is located north of I-84 near the Laurel Lane Interchange. Local truck traffic uses the Main Street interchange.

The Port of Morrow has six terminals on the Columbia River and is a large generator of freight in the area in addition to being a large employer. Other freight generators in the area include the food processing facilities located in the industrial area. Freight routes in the area include: Laurel Lane (at I-84), Columbia Avenue (aka Boardman-Irrigon Road), and Ullman Boulevard. Main Street is not a state-designated as a freight route.

Based on the traffic volumes collected, the percentage of heavy vehicles are higher than average. The actual number of heavy vehicles entering the intersections was not above average, but since the total number of entering vehicles at these intersections is relatively low, it is understandable why the percentage of heavy vehicles is higher than average. The volume of heavy vehicles at each study intersection during the peak hours are shown in Table 3.3.

Issues to be Addressed

- Any road/intersection designs within the influence area shall take into account the heavy volume of trucks.

Chapter 4. Future Travel Forecasts and Needs Analysis

This chapter provides an evaluation of how the City of Boardman may grow as vacant lands are developed, and assesses how transportation facilities will perform as that growth occurs. Future year traffic conditions were evaluated to determine where access, capacity and multi-modal improvements would be needed to best serve existing and future residents and businesses in the city. In some cases, a range of solutions is possible for a given problem.

Land Inventory and Analysis

Land use forecasting and the associated travel activity that occurs with growth is a key factor in developing a functional transportation system. The amount of land that is planned to be developed, the type of land uses and how the land uses are mixed together has a direct relationship to the expected demands on the transportation system. Understanding the amount and type of land use is critical to taking actions to maintain or enhance the operation of the transportation system. Projected land uses were developed within the City's Urban Growth Boundary for the forecast year (2026). The following sections summarize the forecasted growth that will influence travel within Boardman. A detailed description of the land use forecasting is included in the Appendix.

Population and Employment Forecasts

Based on the Morrow County Transportation System Plan[3], the population in the City of Boardman is projected to grow at a rate of 2.5% per year. The Office of Economic Analysis (OEA) determined the historical growth rate for the 2000-2025 period. The current population of the City of Boardman is 3,175. Based on the projected growth, the City of Boardman can expect a population of 5,031 in the year 2026.

Table 4.1: Boardman Population Projections

Year	City of Boardman Population
2006	3,175
2026	5,031

The 1997 Land Needs and Supply report[4] states that Boardman had ample land within the Urban Growth Boundary to meet the commercial and housing needs for the next 20 years and beyond, given the population projections for the study. Most of the future employment growth is expected to occur at the Port of Morrow, which is in the northeast corner of the city and extends beyond into unincorporated portions of the county. Additional employment growth will occur along the South Main corridor due to available lands for commercial and office development. Most of the future residential growth is expected to occur south of I-84.

[3] Morrow County 2005 Transportation System Plan, July 23, 2005
[4] Land Needs and Supply – Boardman Urban Growth Boundary, Draft Report, July 17, 1997

The following section summarizes the forecasted growth that will influence future travel within the Main Street IAMP study area. Future development was based on the current land use zoning, expected growth by the forecast year and is consistent with the City's current Comprehensive Plan. Input from the City of Boardman staff to include local expertise and knowledge of known developments was also taken into account. Future development that is not consistent with the current land use zoning (and creates more than 10% more PM peak hour traffic than the current zoning) will need to conduct a traffic study and amend this IAMP.

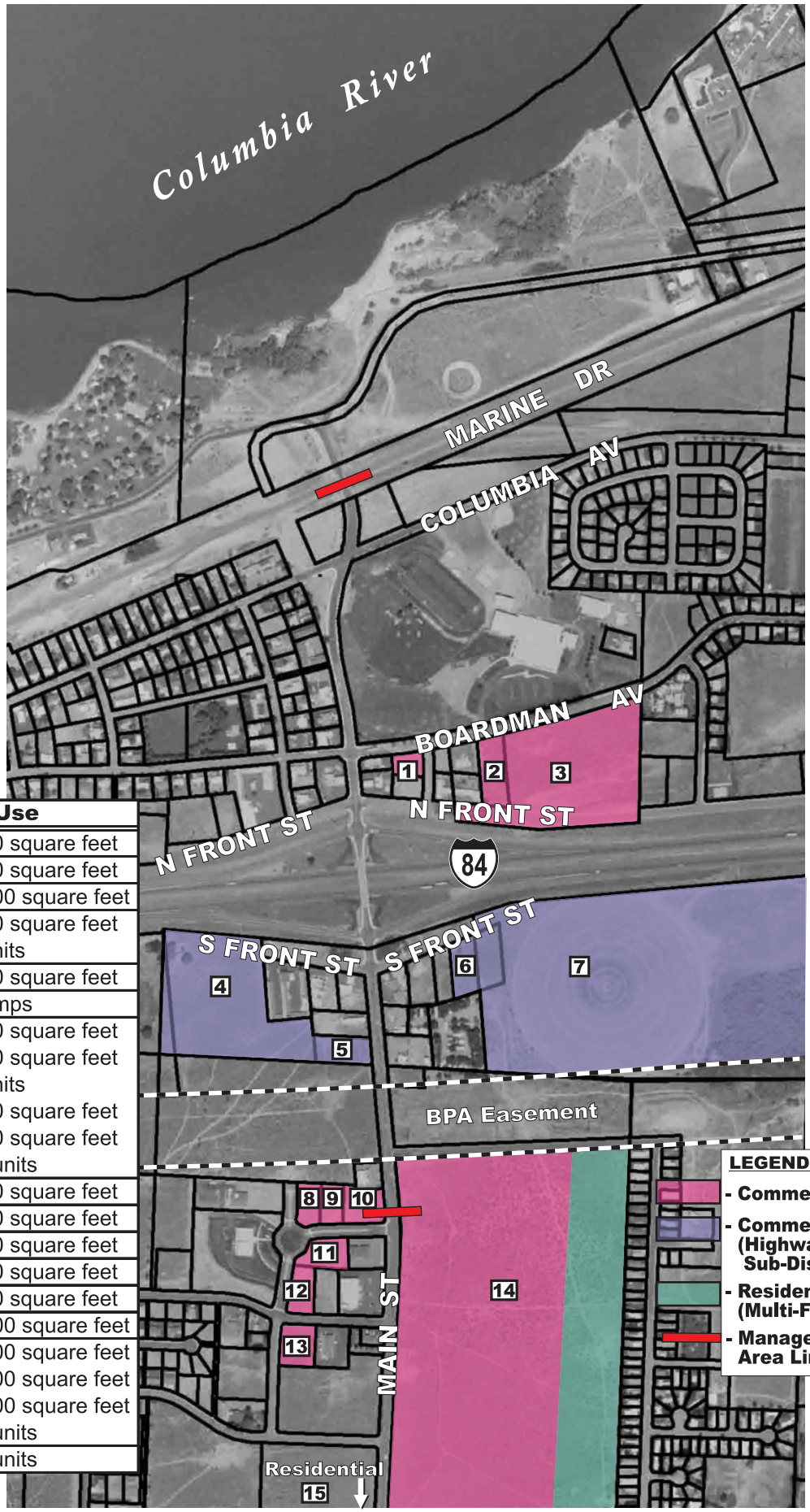
Future Year Forecasts

An analysis was performed of 2026 future travel demand, deficiencies and needs for the transportation system within the Main Street IAMP. The analysis is based upon the transportation system inventory, analysis of existing conditions and forecasts of future demand based on land use projections for 2026. The project scope specifies that a Level 2 Cumulative Analysis be used for traffic volume forecasting. The cumulative analysis was used to forecast the future volumes in the Main Street study area interchange. The cumulative traffic volumes were calculated by adding the trips generated by the assumed development to the existing traffic counts, which were collected in September, 2006 (and factored for seasonal fluctuation).

The trip generation process translates land use quantities (number of households, building square footage or employees) into vehicle trip ends (number of vehicles entering or leaving a particular development area) using established trip generation rates based on the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual[5]. Table 4.2 provides a listing of the weekday PM peak hour trip rates used in this analysis. The resulting traffic volume projections form the basis for identifying potential roadway deficiencies and for evaluating alternative circulation improvements.

The following section summarizes the forecasted growth that will influence future travel within the Main Street IAMP study area. Figures 4.1 shows the parcels that are expected to develop by the year 2026 in the Main Street IAMP study area. Future development was based on the current land use zoning, expected growth by the forecast year and is consistent with the City's current Comprehensive Plan.

[5] *Trip Generation Manual*, 7th Edition, Institute of Transportation Engineers, 2003.



Main Street

Parcel#	Assumed Land Use	
1	Convenience Store	2,000 square feet
2	Fast Food Restaurant	3,000 square feet
3	Specialty Retail	20,000 square feet
4	Restaurant Motel	6,000 square feet 65 units
5	Fast Food Restaurant	4,000 square feet
6	Gas Station with Mart	8 pumps
7	Fast Food Restaurant Restaurant Motel Car Wash Car Service Shop Housing	4,000 square feet 6,000 square feet 65 units 1,000 square feet 2,000 square feet 120 units
8	Office	5,000 square feet
9	Office	5,000 square feet
10	Bank	4,000 square feet
11	Office	5,000 square feet
12	Office	5,000 square feet
13	Medical/Dental	10,000 square feet
14	Specialty Retail Drug Store Hardware/Paint Store Housing	10,000 square feet 20,000 square feet 10,000 square feet 120 units
15	Housing	100 units

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Figure 4.1

MAIN STREET 20-YEAR FORECASTED DEVELOPMENT

Table 4.2: PM Peak Hour Trip Generation Rates

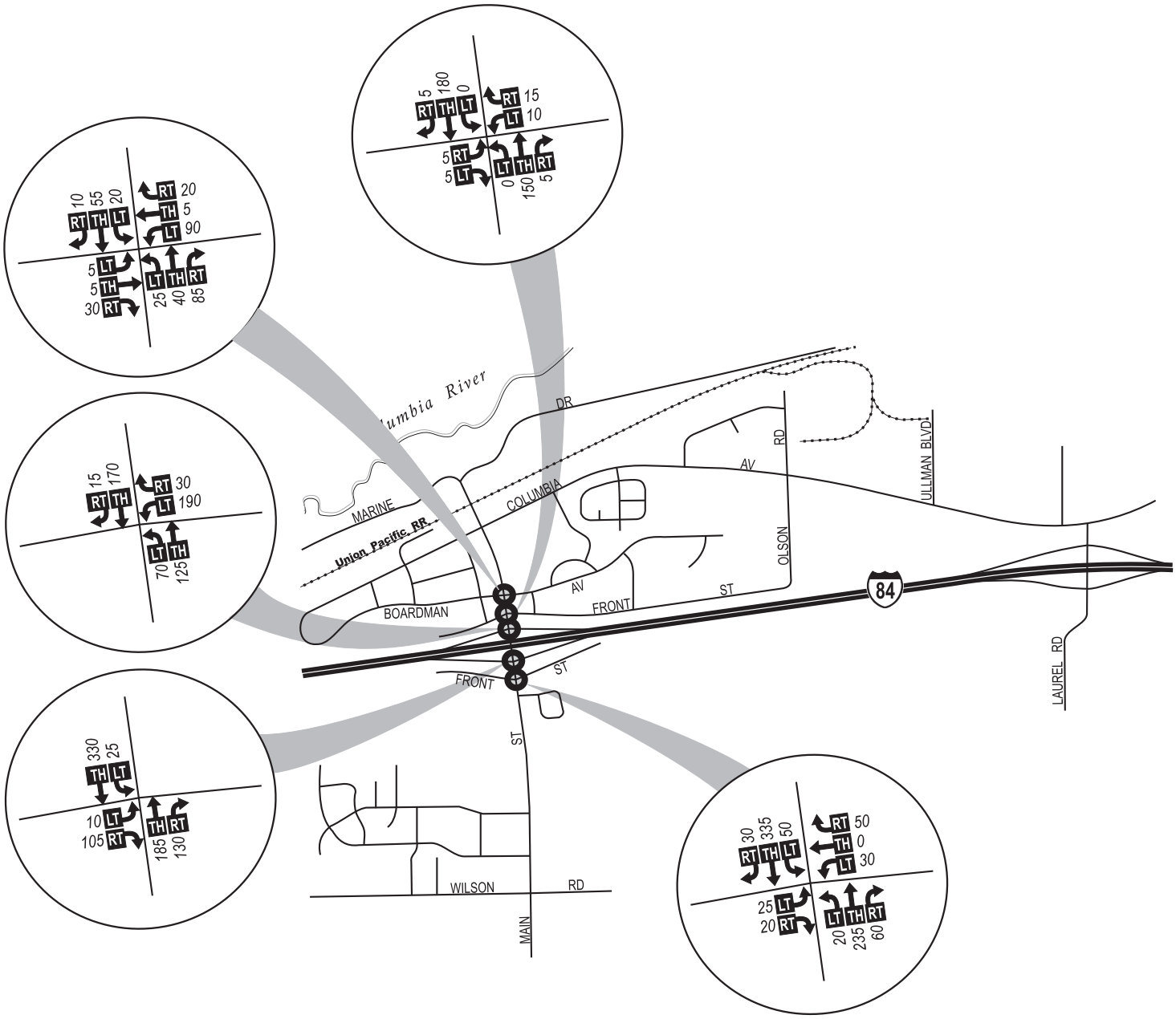
Land Use Description	ITE Code	Land Use Unit	Vehicle Trips Per Land Use Unit	Assumed Size of Land Use
Single Family Detached Housing	210	Dwelling Unit	1.01	220
Housing - Condos	230	Dwelling Unit	0.52	120
Motel	320	Room	0.58	130
Single Tenant Office	715	1,000 s.f. building area	1.73	20
Medical/Dental Office	720	1,000 s.f. building area	5.18	10
Specialty Retail (Lumber store)	812	1,000 s.f. building area	4.49	10
Free Standing Discount Store	815	1,000 s.f. building area	5.06	20
Hardware/Paint Store	816	1,000 s.f. building area	4.84	10
Convenience Mart	851	1,000 s.f. building area	52.41	2
Drug Store	881	1,000 s.f. building area	8.62	20
Bank Drive In	912	1,000 s.f. building area	45.74	4
Sit-Down High Turn Over Restaurant	932	1,000 s.f. building area	10.92	12
Fast Food with Drive In	934	1,000 s.f. building area	34.64	11
Auto Care Center	942	1,000 s.f. building area	3.38	2
Gas Station with Mart	945	Fuel Service Position	13.38	8
Self Service Car Wash	947	1,000 s.f. building area	5.54	3

Based on the assumed land uses for the 20-year forecasted development scenario, it is estimated that there will be an additional 11,700 new trips per day added to the system. During the PM peak hour, it is estimated that there will be an additional 1,100 trips generated by the future development, while an additional 1,000 new trips will be generated in the AM Peak hour. Tables A1 and A1a in the Appendix list each of the land uses and the estimated trips generated by them.

Many of the new trips generated by the future development will be shared by different land uses, so a reduction factor was applied to take this into account. Based on data in the ITE Trip Generation Manual, 5th Edition, a reduction rate of: 60% was applied to the Convenience Store land use, 43% was applied to the Fast Food land use, 35% was applied to the Retail land use and 27% was applied to the Gas Station land use.

Trips from the new development were assigned to specific travel routes in the network, and resulting trip volumes were accumulated on links of the network until all trips are assigned. The trips related to the commercial and industrial development near the interchanges were distributed toward the freeway ramps, using similar turning movement percentages as the current counts. The residential, office, and commercial development on South Main Street has more of the trips distributed locally. It is expected that as more retail and other services are built along South Main Street, that a larger share of shopping trips will be made locally, rather than traveling to nearby cities for services and goods. This dynamic will work towards reducing the use of the Main Street interchange. The projected PM peak hour traffic volumes due to the 20-year forecasted development scenario are shown in Figure 4.2. The cumulative PM Peak hour volume data for the Main Street IAMP study area is shown in Figure 4.3.

A detailed description of the land use forecasting, including key distribution assumptions is included in the Appendix.



LEGEND

- Study Intersection
- 00 - PM Peak Hour Traffic Volume
- LT TH RT - Volume Turn Movement (Left•Thru•Right)

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Figure 4.2

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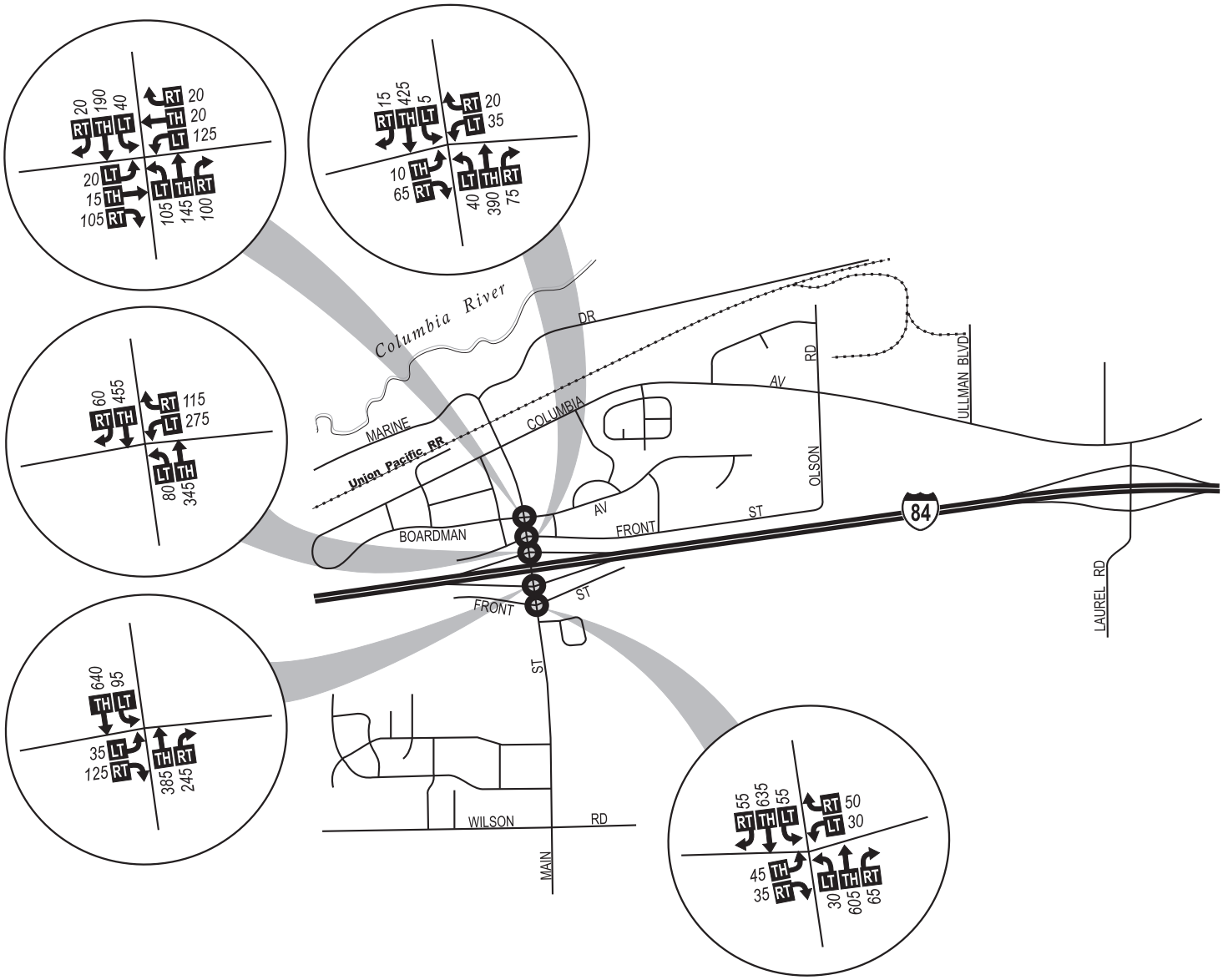
PM PEAK TRIPS GENERATED BY 20-YEAR FORECASTED DEVELOPMENT



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- Study Intersection
- *00* - PM Peak Hour Traffic Volume
- LT TH RT - Volume Turn Movement (Left•Thru•Right)

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Figure 4.3

2026 PM PEAK HOUR TRAFFIC VOLUMES

Boardman Speedway

One future land use that was not included in the trip generation was the Boardman Speedway, since as of this writing; a decision has not been made regarding this development. The main access for the speedway is planned to be off of Tower Road, which is about five miles to the west of the Main Street interchange in Boardman. Construction of a speedway will have an impact on the way the City develops and the rate at which it does. If the speedway development were to be built, further studies would need to be prepared by others to quantify all the potential impacts (transportation, environmental, economic, etc.).

Volume Comparisons to Past Studies

The Transportation System Plan[6] documents the 20 year forecasted traffic volumes in Boardman. The TSP volumes were forecasted for the year 2020 and were developed by applying a 2.9 percent annual growth rate to existing volumes. The IAMP forecasts are based on trip generation and distribution from actual land use zoning. In order to compare plans, the 2020 TSP volumes were factored up to arrive at 2026 volumes. Table 4.3 shows the comparison between the volumes forecasted by the TSP[5] and this IAMP.

Table 4.3: PM Peak Hour Volume Comparison between TSP and IAMP (2026)

Location	Two-way PM Peak Hour Volume		Volume Difference
	TSP	IAMP	
Main Street North of I-84	1070	975	-95
Main Street on I-84 Overpass	1070	1100	30
Main Street South of I-84	1140	1400	260

The biggest difference is on Main Street south of I-84. This is reasonable, since most of the development is assumed to take place on Main Street between I-84 and Wilson Road. The TSP assumed a growth rate that is applied to all movements equally, whereas the IAMP used the actual land use type and location in the analysis.

The Main Street Development Plan[7] documents the year 2020 forecasted traffic volumes in the City of Boardman under two scenarios. The first scenario uses a 1.0 percent growth rate per year and also adds in volumes that are expected to be generated by three residential developments. The second scenario uses a 1.0 percent growth rate and adds in the residential development from Scenario 1 plus the new traffic that would be expected from the New Downtown Plan, which includes retail, office and more residential development. Table 4.4 shows the comparison between the volumes forecasted by the Downtown Plan[7] and this IAMP.

Table 4.4: PM Peak Hour Volume Comparison between Downtown Plan and IAMP

Location	Two-way PM Peak Hour Volume		Volume Difference
	Downtown Plan	IAMP	
Main Street North of I-84	1080	975	-105
Main Street on I-84 Overpass	1420	1100	-320
Main Street South of I-84	1830	1400	-430

[6] Transportation System Plan, City of Boardman, Oregon 1999
[7] City of Boardman Main Street "Downtown" Development Plan, 2000-2001

The forecasted volumes for the Downtown Plan were about 30% higher than the IAMP forecasted volumes. The Downtown Plan assumed a growth rate in addition to actual development when forecasting the volumes, whereas the IAMP used only the land use type and location in the analysis and assumed that the growth rate would be included in the trip generation rates.

South Main Street Development Alternative

One of the concurrent planning issues that affects the South Main portion of the study area is a pending rezone for approximately 30 acres at the east end of South Front Street. It is understood that the proposed rezone would change the background residential zoning to allow for more commercial uses. Based on input from the City, it was assumed that approximately half of the 30 acres would be developed as residential (120 residents) with the remaining land developed as commercial. It is estimated that the net change in traffic generation associated with the rezone would be minimal, approximately 400 trips per day or 20 trips in the peak hour. Therefore, we have included this rezone action in the assumptions for future growth, which will be conservatively high, compared to existing zoning provisions.

Future 2026 Operations

Study intersections were analyzed using *Highway Capacity Manual*[8] methodologies for unsignalized intersections for comparison with the applicable jurisdiction's adopted performance standards. Analysis of traffic volumes is useful in understanding the general nature of traffic in an area, but by itself indicates neither the ability of the street network to carry additional traffic nor the quality of service afforded by the street facilities. For this, the concept of *level of service* (LOS) has been developed to subjectively describe traffic performance. LOS can be measured at intersections and along key roadway segments.

Intersection Operations

The traffic volume data shown in Figure 4.3 was used in the analysis, using *Highway Capacity Manual*[8] methodologies for unsignalized intersections for comparison with the applicable jurisdiction's adopted performance standards.

I-84 is designated as an Interstate highway, while Main Street is classified as an arterial and is under the jurisdiction of the city of Boardman. Performance standards for the freeway interchange ramp terminals have been adopted by ODOT in the *1999 Oregon Highway Plan*[9] (*OHP*). The maximum volume to capacity (V/C) ratio of ramp terminals of interchange ramps shall be 0.85. All non-state roadways within the study area are under the jurisdiction of the City of Boardman. The City has adopted standards for performance of City streets requiring operation of LOS "C" or better during the peak hour of the average weekday.

Table 4.5 shows the cumulative (year 2026) operational analysis for the unsignalized intersections within the Main Street IAMP study area (with substandard in bold). The results shown represent the critical movement at each intersection (usually a stop-controlled movement, such as a side-street left turn or crossing movement), along with the average intersection delay and LOS.

[8] *Highway Capacity Manual*, Transportation Research Board, Washington, D.C., 2000.
[9] *1999 Oregon Highway Plan*, Oregon Department of Transportation, 1999.

Table 4.5: Cumulative (2026) Weekday PM Peak Hour Intersection Level of Service

Intersection	Critical Movement			Average Intersection		Performance Standard	Met?
	Direction	LOS	Volume / Capacity	Delay (sec)	LOS		
I-84 EB Ramp / Main Street	EB	E	0.32	4.6	A	V/C < 0.85	Yes
I-84 WB Ramp / Main Street	WB	F	**1.17**	**65.9**	**F**	**V/C < 0.85**	**No**
Main Street / Boardman Avenue	WB	F	0.66	14.0	B	LOS > C	Yes
Main Street / Front Street (North)	WB	D	0.27	3.1	A	LOS > C	Yes
Main Street / Front Street (South)	EB	F	0.77	10.5	B	LOS > C	Yes

Assuming 20 year forecasted development of the assumed land uses, the following intersection is expected to exceed the performance standard of V/C < 0.85 in the PM peak hour:

- Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp

There following three intersections have side street movements that will operate with LOS E or F:

- Main Street & Boardman Avenue
- Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp
- Main Street & Front Street (South)

The intersections will continue to operate within the City of Boardman LOS performance standards for average intersection LOS, but may have increased delay for the side street approaches.

Future 2026 Deficiencies

System deficiencies and/or safety issues that were identified from the Future Conditions Analysis are listed below:

- Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp is expected to exceed the City standard LOS in the PM peak hour.

The following three intersections have side street movements that will operate with LOS E or F:

- Main Street & Boardman Avenue
- Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp
- Main Street & Front Street (South)

Access/Intersection Spacing

The long term goal is to reduce or minimize the number of access points along South Main Street. As vacant land is developed and street connectivity is completed, the access points should be evaluated. Reasonable alternate access must be in place before any access is removed. North Main Street was recently reconstructed, and all of the land is developed that fronts this roadway. If any of the properties redevelops, the access points onto North Main Street should be re-evaluated.

The number of access points should be reduced and/or combined on South Main Street. By reducing and combining access points, the number of conflict points is reduced, which improves the safety and operation of the roadway. This should be done as property develops and will be based on mutually agreed upon access changes and/or the addition of alternate access.

Left turn lanes should be provided on Main Street at the major access points to provide safe left turning access.

Pedestrian/Bicycle Network

The pedestrian network should be addressed in parallel to the street network improvements. In general, curb and sidewalk similar to North Main Street will improve the safety of pedestrians along South Main Street. Pedestrian access across Main Street is also important. Pedestrian crossings should be accommodated at the major access points (I-84 ramps, Oregon Trail Boulevard, City Center Boulevard, Kinkade Road and Wilson Road). This would include sidewalk with ADA pedestrian ramps on the corners and possibly supplemental signing and/or painted crosswalks. A "mid-block" pedestrian crossing could be accommodated on the north side of the BPA easement. The mid-block crossing could incorporate a center pedestrian refuge island, once South Main Street is reconstructed to the arterial standard. A wider sidewalk and separate bike lanes on the Main Street bridge across I-84 will provide a safer facility for the pedestrians and bicyclists.

Sensitivity Analysis

The future distribution patterns have an impact on the forecasted turning movement volumes at study area intersections. If more traffic than forecasted uses the I-84 interchange ramps to go east or west on I-84 (instead of local trips), the intersection operations at the ramp intersections will degrade before the forecast year. If ten percent more of the forecasted traffic were to go through the I-84 ramp intersections, the intersection of Main Street & I-84 Eastbound ramp would not meet the City LOS standards.

In the forecast year, the minor street volumes at the intersection of Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp are expected to be approximately 90% of the volumes needed to meet the Peak Hour traffic signal warrant. If more traffic than forecasted uses this intersection or if more traffic turns left from the Eastbound ramp onto Main Street, the Peak Hour warrant will be met at this intersection.

Major Constraints

The following section identifies transportation, environmental, socio-economic, multi-modal and right of way constraints and/or issues associated with the transportation deficiencies for the Main Street IAMP area.

- The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has a major electrical transmission line that cuts across the city. The BPA easement is 395 feet wide and is about one quarter mile south and parallel to I-84. Any new roadways within the BPA easement would need to comply with regulations set forth by BPA.
- Interstate 84 runs east and west through the City and divides the town into roughly one third to the north and two-thirds to the south. The two roadways that cross I-84 and connect the north and south parts of town are Main Street and Laurel Avenue. Additional roadways that would connect the north and south parts of town would need to cross (over or under) I-84.
- There are identified wetland areas within the City of Boardman. Most of the wetland areas are located where new roadways are not anticipated in the future. However, there are two areas in the vicinity of future roadways and will need to be mitigated if new roadway construction impacts them. One area is approximately 30 acres and located south of I-84 and about a quarter mile west of Main Street. A second area is approximately 10 acres and is south of I-84 and about a third mile east of Main Street.
- A mobile home park is currently located on the west side of South Main Street between South Front Street and the BPA easement. A new roadway that would provide east-west connectivity and access to businesses along Front Street would have an impact on the south part of this

property. The impact may result in the relocation of some of the mobile homes or a redesign of the layout of the mobile home park.

- New roadways that strengthen north-south and east-west connectivity would provide access to businesses and homes, thus having a positive socio-economic impact.
- New roadway connections or road widening projects will require the purchase of right of way.
- There are no identified sources of funding for any of the transportation improvements.

Chapter 5. Interchange Area Management Plan

Alternatives for providing adequate operation of the interchange and the surrounding transportation system were developed and evaluated. This chapter summarizes the alternatives considered, including cost estimates, and provides prioritization for the implementation of these alternatives through short, medium, and long-range actions.

Transportation Alternatives

In Chapter 4, a future deficiencies analysis identified one study area intersection that was projected to fail to meet adopted mobility standards, which for the interchange ramp intersections is a v/c ratio of 0.85. The mobility standard for the City of Boardman intersections is a Level of Service "C".

Assuming 20 year forecasted development of the assumed land uses, the following intersection is expected to exceed the performance standard of V/C < 0.85 in the PM peak hour:

- Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp

The following three intersections have side street movements that will operate with LOS E or F:

- Main Street & Boardman Avenue
- Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp
- Main Street & Front Street (South)

The three intersections listed above will continue to operate within the City of Boardman LOS performance standards for average intersection delay and LOS, but may have increased delay for the side street approaches.

Transportation alternatives are aimed at improving capacity and safety through measures such as traffic controls, turn lanes, enhanced street connectivity, and system management techniques.

The planned Main Street improvements are shown in the two graphics below. Most of the improvements will be developed over time as the land develops. Incremental improvements can be made as land is developed with the long-term goal of improved street connectivity, improved bicycle/pedestrian network and limited direct access to Main Street. The project phasing would follow these steps:

1) Develop the local street network east and west of Main Street.
2) Limit access at Main Street/North Front Street and Main Street/South Front Street,
3) Widen the freeway off-ramps to provide for separate turning lanes on the approaches to Main Street,
4) Install a traffic signal at Main Street and I-84 WB Ramp once traffic volumes grew enough to meet ODOT standards for traffic signal controls,
5) Reconstruct and expand the Main Street overpass to accommodate a center left turn lane, bicycle lanes and wider sidewalks.

As traffic volumes on Main Street double over current levels (by year 2026), incremental steps will be required to ensure that the existing interchange configuration performs adequately for autos and trucks, and provides safe facilities for bicycles and pedestrians. The short/mid-term solution is to limit access at the intersections of Main Street with North Front Street and South Front Street to right turn only. The ultimate improvement alternative would expand the current freeway interchange by widening the two off-

ramps and the bridge, and constructing a traffic signal at the ramp westbound terminal. Figure 5.1a shows the short/mid range improvements at the interchange and Figure 5.1b shows the long range improvements at the intersection.

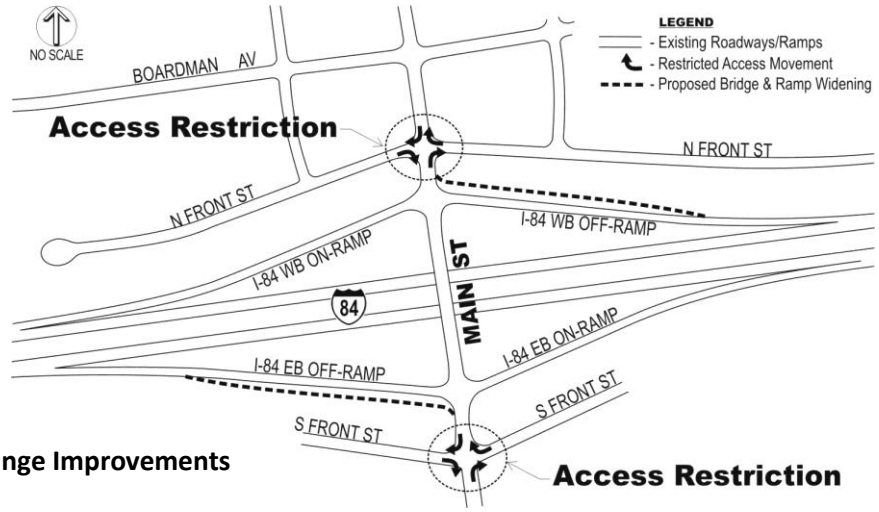


Figure 5.1a
Short/Mid-Range Improvements

The introduction of a traffic signal and the traffic growth on Main Street will substantially increase conflicts at the existing Main Street intersection with North Front Street, which is about 150 feet away from the ramp terminal. For example, it will be much more common during peak hours for queues of vehicles on Main Street to temporarily block the North Front Street intersection and nearby driveways from businesses. By 2026, the vehicle queues on Main Street approaching the off-ramp traffic signal will be 10 to 13 vehicles, and will frequently block the North Front Street intersections. Typically, one vehicle accounts for 25 feet of queue space, so the queues would extend up to 250 to 325 feet during the busy hours of the day. Queues will be longer if commercial trucks are included. Boardman Avenue is approximately 400 feet north of the freeway, and it would not typically be affected by these queues, except under unusual peak conditions.

The intersection at South Front Street will not be affected by queues created by the traffic signal at the westbound ramp, but the close proximity to the eastbound ramp will continue to create conflicts and confusion between all the turning vehicles.

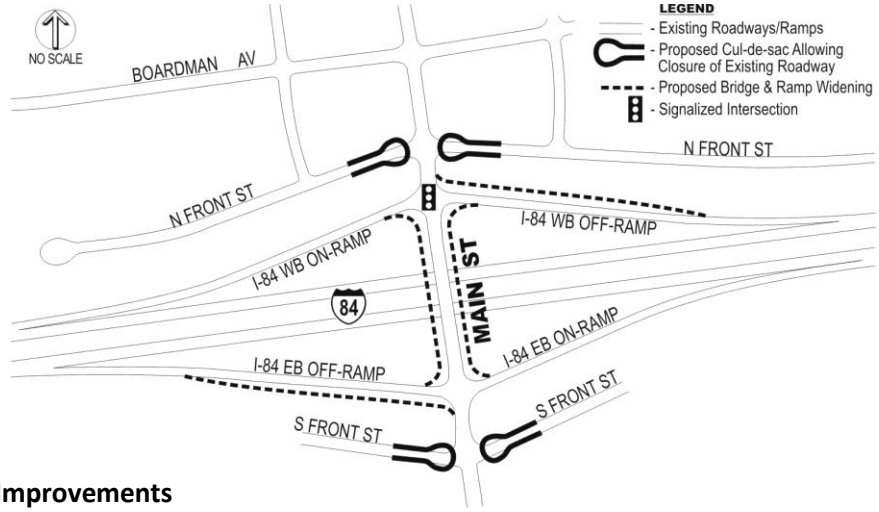


Figure 5.1b
Long-Range Improvements

To reduce the conflicts and potential safety concerns, the full-access intersections at North and South Front Street will gradually need to be more restricted, which may include limiting to right-turn movements only or full closure. North Front Street businesses currently have alternative access onto Boardman Avenue, however businesses along South Front Street do not have access to Main Street other than via South Front Street. The local street network must be in place to provide alternate access to businesses that rely on North and South Front Streets. As development occurs, portions of the network should be constructed or right of way should be set aside for future construction. It is expected that with the low turning volumes at Front Street on either side of the highway, that right-turn access could be retained for the foreseeable future.

The long term component of this alternative would be the widening of the existing bridge to match up to current standards for sidewalks and bike lanes, and provide a center left turn lane area for left-turning vehicles. The widening of the bridge would eliminate the existing sight distance issue for vehicles on the off-ramps looking across the bridge.

Timing of Improvements

It is important to establish thresholds for limiting the North and South Front Street access at Main Street so that decisions can be made through the land use review process, and as various traffic issues arise or the community reports significant conflicts. These thresholds can be tied to traffic volume levels, reported crashes, or recurring conflicts that are observed at these intersections. It is assumed that growth will happen at a constant rate over the next 20 years. If growth happens at a faster rate, then the improvements may need to be completed sooner than estimated. Conversely, if development happens at a slower rate than assumed, the improvements will be delayed until the need arises. Proposed development that is not consistent with the current land use zoning (and creates more than 10% more PM peak hour traffic) will need to amend the IAMP.

Below is a description of when the improvements would be expected to be needed.

Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp

Because projected minor street volumes are relatively low, the timing of the need for this signal is uncertain and will depend on the actual pattern of development in the area of the interchange. As development occurs, the City should monitor the traffic volumes at the I-84 Ramp intersection to determine if the volumes would warrant a traffic signal.

Assuming a constant rate of development over the next 20 years, the operation of the intersection, with stop control for the side street, is expected to fall below the performance standards in approximately 15 years. Reconstructing the intersection to include a separate left turn and right turn lane for the westbound approach will improve the operation of the intersection and reduce the westbound queuing. Preliminary traffic signal warrants for the PM peak hour may be met in approximately 10 years. This does not automatically mean a traffic signal should be installed, but the intersection operation should be monitored by the City.

Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp

This intersection does not currently meet the preliminary traffic signal warrants in the forecast year, but a small amount of development beyond what was forecasted would likely increase the volume sufficiently to warrant a signal. In the forecast year, the minor street volumes at the intersection of Main Street & I-84 Eastbound Ramp are expected to be approximately 90% of the volumes needed to meet the Peak Hour traffic signal warrant.

Reconstructing the intersection to include a separate left turn and right turn lane for the eastbound approach will improve the operation of the intersection and reduce the eastbound queuing.

Main Street & Front Avenue (North and South)

The traffic volumes at the intersections of Main Street & Front Avenue North and Main Street & Front Avenue South should be monitored as development occurs to determine if certain turning movements should be prohibited. Access restrictions can include limiting the turning movements to right turns only or eliminating all turning movements. Access restrictions can only be implemented if alternate access is provides to properties along North and South Front Street. If access restrictions were implemented at North Front Street, Boardman Avenue can be used as alternate access to the properties along Front Street North. There is currently no alternate access for the properties along Front Street South, therefore additional access must be in place before restricting access to Front Street South from Main Street. As development occurs along Main Street south of I-84, portions of the local network should be constructed or right of way set aside for future construction.

Triggers for access changes at Front Street North and Front Street South include:

- Side street level of service drops below LOS E (15-20 years from now)
- Traffic signal installed at the I-84 westbound ramp (10-15 years from now)
- Increase in crashes
- Bridge improvement project constructed (15-20 years from now)
- Recurring public complaints about conflicts and safety at these locations

Main Street & Boardman Avenue

In the forecast year, the side-street LOS at the intersection of Main Street & Boardman Avenue is expected to exceed the City standard. The minor street volumes at this intersection are expected to be approximately 85% of the volumes needed to meet the Peak Hour traffic signal warrant. During the school dismissal, this intersection also experiences a brief period of high delay on the side street. One near term mitigation measure would be to direct some of the high school traffic onto Columbia Avenue, so as to spread out the dismissal traffic. This would reduce the number of vehicles turning left from Boardman Avenue onto Main Street.

Main Street Overpass Bridge

From a capacity standpoint, the bridge is able to accommodate the forecasted vehicular traffic. However, the overpass bridge is currently too narrow to incorporate northbound and southbound left turn lanes at the ramp intersections, the sidewalks are very narrow and there are no bike lanes on the bridge. In order to accommodate the turn lanes, bike lanes and wider sidewalks, the bridge should be widened (which would in turn improve the sight distance for drivers on the exit ramp approaches).

Local Connectivity Plan

The future deficiencies analysis in Chapter 4 highlighted several areas where local connectivity was in need of improvement, including:

- East-west connectivity;
- North-south connectivity;
- Access to lands surrounding the Main Street interchange; and
- Access points to Main Street to the north and south of the interchange.

In response to these needs, a local connectivity plan was developed that builds on existing and planned streets in the IAMP area. This plan not only improves overall connectivity throughout the City, but

provides the ability to consolidate approaches to Main Street, while maintaining accessibility to individual properties in the corridors. Figure 5.2 displays the planned local connectivity plan, with key elements described below. The lines shown in the figures represent planned connections and the general location for the placement of the connection. In each case, the specific alignments and design will be better determined as part of development review.

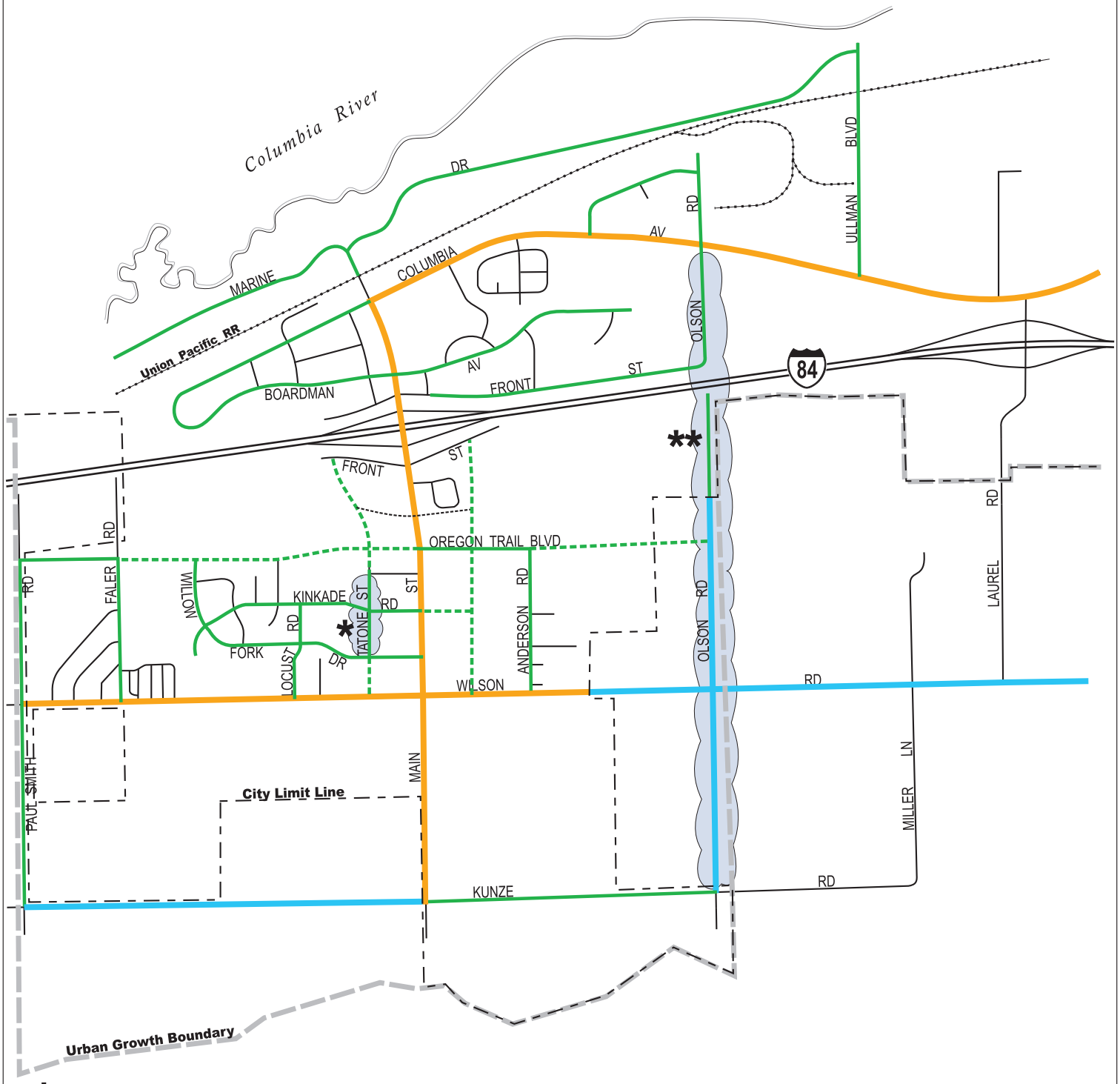
There are several potential opportunities to improve the north-south and east-west connectivity within the City, which will make drivers less dependent on Main Street for every trip around town. Currently, the north-south connectivity is limited to Main Street and Laurel Lane due mainly to the constraints of I-84, the Union Pacific Railroad right of way and the Bonneville Power Administration's right of way. The east-west connectivity is limited to Wilson Lane, I-84 and Columbia Avenue.

North-south connectivity can be strengthened by creating a network of streets that parallel Main Street which provide access to future development. These new roadways provide access for local trips and can be constructed as development occurs. Some examples of street extensions that would strengthen north-south connectivity are:

- Extend Tatone Street from City Center Boulevard to Front Street and from Willow Fork Road to Wilson Lane.
- Construct a new north-south roadway at a minimum of 600 feet east of Main Street, intersecting Oregon Trail Boulevard.

East-west connectivity can be strengthened by creating a network of streets that parallel I-84 and Wilson Lane that provide access to future development. These new roadways provide access for local trips and can be constructed as development occurs. Some examples of street extensions that would strengthen east-west connectivity are:

- Extend Kinkade Road east from Main Street when land east of Main Street develops.
- Extend Oregon Trail to the east to connect to Olson Road and west to connect to Smith Road, with intersections at Faler Road, Willow Fork Drive, Blalock Street and City Center Drive.
- Construct new connections parallel to Front Street near to or within the Bonneville Power Administration easement to better access properties in that area.
- The system improvements that enhance the north-south and east-west street connectivity will be required to be constructed by developers as vacant land is developed. The city can also choose to construct the transportation facilities prior to development as a way to encourage development in certain areas of the City. As the street connectivity is improved, drivers will be less dependent on using Main Street for local trips south of I-84.
- The city should require any future development of land east and west of South Main Street be done with the future local street network taken into account. This includes sighting of buildings on the property so that access to the future local street network will not require major reconstruction. If feasible, portions of the local street network should be constructed at time of land development. At minimum, right of way for the future local street network needs to be set aside as land is developed.
- Cross-easement access between properties should be developed in order to reduce the reliance of direct access onto Main Street. The easements will allow driveways to be consolidated or removed. They will also help to provide access to the future local street network. The cross easement access agreements should be developed as property east and west of Main Street (re)develops.



*- Tatone Street currently designated as Local. Re-designate Tatone Street as a Collector.

**- Olson Road currently designated as an Arterial. Re-designate Olson Road as a Collector inside City and as Major Collector or County segment if Olson Road overpass is not built.

LEGEND

- Existing Arterial
- Existing Collector
- Planned Collector
- Existing Local
- Planned Local
- Major Collector (County)

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Figure 5.2

ROADWAY NETWORK AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN

South Main Street

South Main Street between I-84 and Wilson Road is currently a two-lane roadway with a separated multi-use path on the west side. This section of roadway should be reconstructed to the current Arterial street standards, which would include turn lanes, bike lanes and sidewalks. Constructing turn lanes at appropriate locations along South Main Street will reduce the conflict between the left turning and through traffic. Bike lanes and sidewalks along South Main Street will increase the safety and mobility of pedestrians using Main Street. An illustration of South Main Street improvements is shown in Figure 5.3.

Olson Road

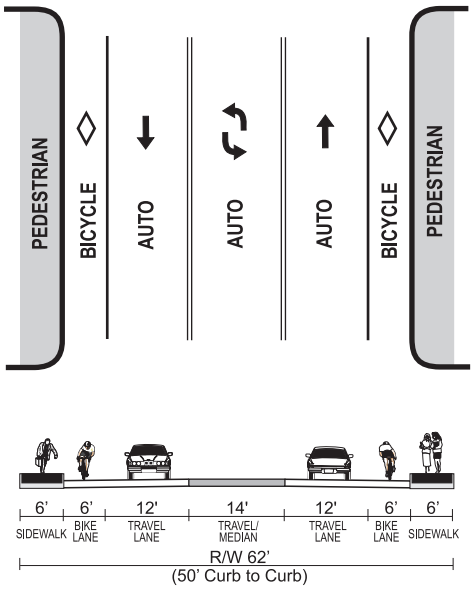
The City's 1999 Transportation System Plan envisions a new I-84 crossing at Olson Road. This new freeway overcrossing would not provide access to/from Interstate 84, but it would provide an alternate north-south circulation route between employment and school uses on the north side of the highway with residential neighborhoods on the south side. If this facility were constructed, the foregoing traffic volume estimates for Main Street would be reduced by the amount that uses the new facility. If one-third of the traffic forecasted on North Main Street chose this new route, the 2026 volumes on Main Street would be the same as they are today. Based on the length of this alternative route, and proximity of land uses nearby, it is roughly estimated that the volume that would use Olson Road to cross I-84 would range from 15% to 25% of the North Main Street forecasted volume, or about 150 to 250 vehicles during peak hours.

Ideally, both freeway overcrossings would be constructed, given adequate funding was available. However, with the limited state and local transportation resources available, it is more likely either Main Street would be widened or a new Olson Road overcrossing would be constructed. The estimated cost for these two improvements are similar, but the utility of the Main Street overpass appears to be significantly higher, since it is close to existing and planned future commercial development. The Olson Road overcrossing adjoins industrial and farmlands, and would require a very substantial upgrade of the roadway south of the highway, currently a gravel road, to be fully functional. Therefore, it appears that the preferred investment for I-84 overcrossings would be the Main Street Bridge.

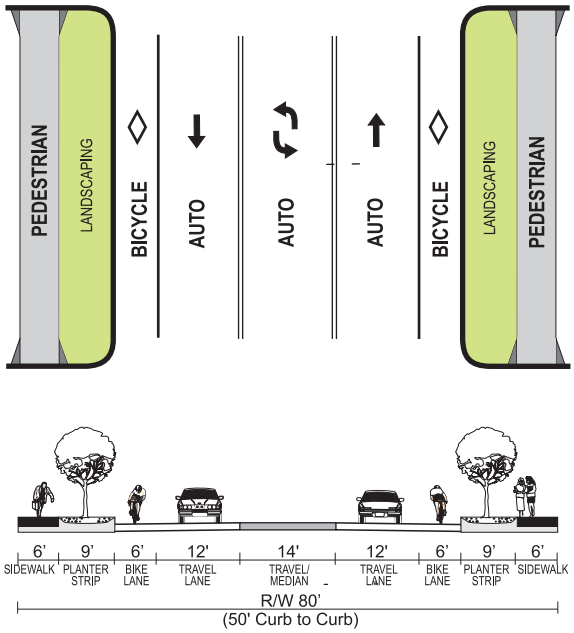
Pedestrian/Bicycle Network

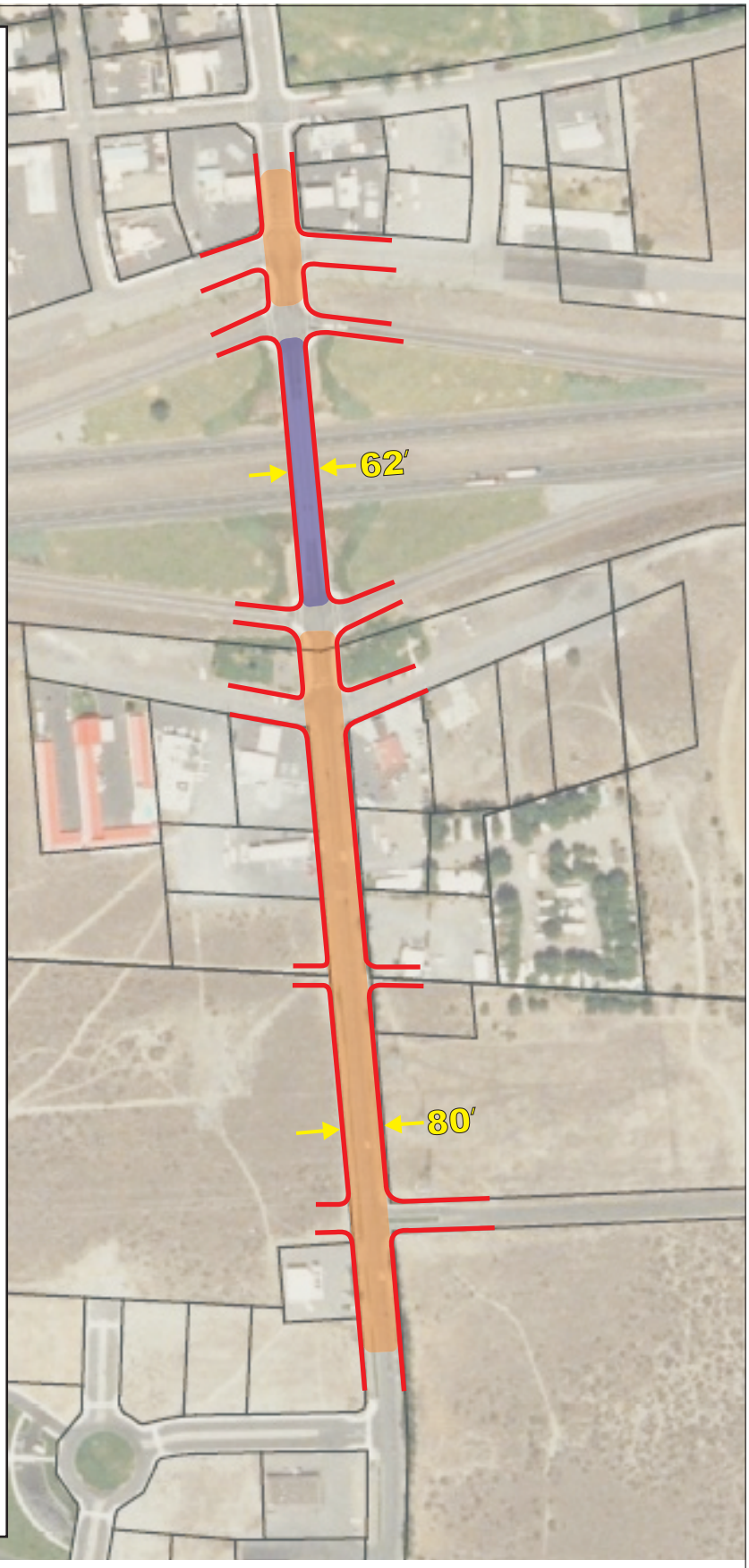
The pedestrian network should be addressed in parallel to the street network improvements. In general, curb and sidewalk similar to North Main Street will improve the safety of pedestrians along South Main Street. Pedestrian access across Main Street is also important. Pedestrian crossings shall be accommodated at the major access points (I-84 ramps, Oregon Trail Boulevard, City Center Boulevard, Kinkade Road and Wilson Road). This would include sidewalk with ADA pedestrian ramps on the corners and possibly supplemental signing and/or painted crosswalks. A "mid-block" pedestrian crossing could be accommodated on the north side of the BPA easement. The mid-block crossing could incorporate a center pedestrian refuge island, once South Main Street is reconstructed to the arterial standard.

Typical 62 foot cross-section



Typical 80 foot cross-section





LEGEND

- 80' Cross-section
- 62' Cross-section

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Figure 5.3

SOUTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

The Ped/Bike network improvements include:

- A wider sidewalk and separate bike lanes on the Main Street bridge across I-84. This would require the bridge to be widened.
- Extend the multi-use path along Wilson Road from Faler Road to Paul Smith Road.
- Provide pedestrian facilities from Wilson Road to Desert Spring Estates development.
- Provide pedestrian facilities from residential development near Faler Road to Willow Fork Drive.

Gaps in the bicycle network shall be addressed with any new roadway connectivity and new development or done as an interim measure prior to roadway connections. Bicycle lanes should be provided on all arterial roadways.

Access Management Plan

A key element of the IAMP related to the long-range preservation of operational efficiency and safety of the interchange is the management of access to the interchange crossroads (Main Street). Because access points introduce a number of potential vehicular conflicts on a roadway and are frequently the causes of slowing or stopping vehicles, they can significantly degrade the flow of traffic and reduce the efficiency of the transportation system. However, by reducing the overall number of access points and providing greater separation between them, the impacts of these conflicts can be minimized.

It should be noted that the actions were based on current property configurations and ownerships. Should property boundaries change in the future through consolidation or other land use action, the access management plan may be modified through agreement by the City of Boardman and ODOT, where such modifications would move in the direction of the adopted access management spacing standards in this plan. Modifications to the access management plan will need to be addressed in an amendment to this IAMP. Additional access points shall not be allowed where they would result from future land partitions or subdivisions. The actions listed in this plan shall not prevent the reconstruction of approaches as necessary to meet City or ODOT standard design.

Implementation of the access management plan will occur over a long time since some affected properties maintain infrastructure (e.g. buildings and internal roadways) that was established based on prior approvals of access locations to the subject roadways and some elements of the plan depend on the presence of new public streets that cannot be constructed until funds are made available. The improvements in this plan have been prioritized and categorized into short-range, medium-range, and long-range actions. The short-range actions are to be executed at this time and the medium and long-range actions are to be executed as needed funds become available or as opportunities arise during property redevelopment.

The goals of this access management plan are listed below.

1. Restrict all access from abutting properties to the interchange and interchange ramps.
2. Improve access spacing and safety factors within the interchange area.
3. In attempting to meet access management spacing standards, exceptions may be allowed to take advantage of existing property boundaries and existing or planned public streets, and to accommodate environmental constraints (i.e. BPA Easement).
4. Replace private approaches with public streets, where feasible, to provide consolidated access to multiple properties.

5. Ensure all properties impacted by the project are provided reasonable access to the transportation system.
6. Develop cross easement access agreements as properties (re)develop.
7. Align approaches on opposite sides of roadways where feasible to reduce turning conflicts.
8. Short-range actions shall accommodate existing development needs.

Using the goals, an action plan for each approach to Main Street was developed, as shown below in Table 5.1. Short-range actions shall accommodate existing development needs. There are no short-range actions identified since all of the actions are based on property (re)development to trigger changes to the access. The medium-range actions are intended to be completed within 5 to 10 years, while the long-range actions are to be implemented over the 20-year planning period as funding becomes available. Modifications to access can occur earlier if opportunities arise through property development or funding for the local street network becomes available. The medium-range action plan is illustrated in Figure 5.4, while, the long-range action plan has also been illustrated in Figures 5.4 and 5.5 to aid in the interpretation of the actions in Table 5.1. The city should require any future development of land east and west of South Main Street be done with the future local street network taken into account. This includes sighting of building on property so that access to the future local street network will not require major reconstruction. If feasible, portions of the local street network should be constructed at time of land development. At minimum, right of way for the future local street network needs to be set aside as land is developed.

Cross-easement access between properties should be developed that reduce the reliance of direct access onto Main Street. The easements will allow driveways to be consolidated or removed. They will also help to provide access to the future local street network. The cross easement access agreements should be developed as property east and west of Main Street (re)develops.

Table 5.1: Main Street Access Actions

Approach #	Medium-Range Action (5-10 years)	Long-Range Action (10-20 years)
1	(Columbia Ave) No action.	No action.
2	(Columbia Ave) No action.	No action.
3	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 4 and 5, with shared access.
4	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 5, with shared access.
5	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 4, with shared access.
6	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 7 or closed. Future access to be taken at Approach 5.
7	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 6 or 8, with shared access.
8	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be combined with Approach 7, with shared access.
9	(Boardman Ave) No action.	No action.
10	(Boardman Ave) No action.	No action.
11	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be closed. Future access to be taken from Boardman Avenue and/or Front Street.
12	No action.	Upon property redevelopment, approach to be closed. Future access to be taken from Front Street or shared with Lot 4500 to access Boardman Avenue.
13	(North Front St) Restrict turning movements to only allow	Close approach and use Boardman Ave. (and 1st St. E.) as alternate

Approach #	Medium-Range Action (5-10 years)	Long-Range Action (10-20 years)
	right turn access	access.
14	(North Front St) Restrict turning movements to only allow right turn access.	Close approach and use Boardman Ave. (and 1st St. E.) as alternate access.
15	(I-84 Westbound Ramp) No action.	No action.
16	(I-84 Westbound Ramp) No action.	No action.
17	(I-84 Eastbound Ramp) No action.	No action.
18	(I-84 Eastbound Ramp) No action.	No action.
19	(South Front St) Restrict turning movements to only allow right turn access.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). This will affect Lots 1000, 1200, 1300 – approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
20	(South Front St) Restrict turning movements to only allow right turn access	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). This will affect Lots 400, 500, 600, 700 – approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
21	Currently, there is no curb or gutter along the Main Street frontage of Lot 1300. Upon property redevelopment, the access along Lot 1300 shall be defined at a single point by constructing a driveway or using curb to define access.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements).
22	Currently, there is no curb or gutter along the Main Street frontage of Lot 700. Upon property redevelopment, the access along Lot 700 shall be defined at a single point by constructing a driveway or using curb to define access.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). Approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
23	No action.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). Approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
24	No action.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). Approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
25	No action.	Close approach at such time as reasonable access becomes available (e.g. through construction of public roads and establishment of cross-access easements). Approach will not be closed until reasonable access becomes available.
26	(Oregon Trail Blvd) No action.	No action.
27	No action.	Close approach upon property redevelopment. Future access to be taken from Approach 28 or future Oregon Trail Boulevard.
28	No action.	Approach may remain upon property redevelopment. New approach may be relocated to future Oregon Trail Boulevard.

Notes: Refer to Figure 5.2 for location of state highway approaches cited in the above table.

Policies, Rules, & Ordinances

As land develops, redevelops or changes use within the interchange area, compliance will be required with the access management and circulation plans conceived through this study. As part of the adoption of the IAMP, the City of Boardman development codes are being amended to reflect the standards and plans. In brief, the code amendments implement:

- Access spacing requirements
- Local Street connectivity
- Access Management Plan
- Cross-easement accesses

In addition, the Transportation System Plan will be amended to adopt the Local Street Network and the Access Management Plan

Cost Estimates

Planning-level cost estimates for all improvement alternatives were calculated to aid in the identification of needed funding. Cost estimates included the fundamental elements of roadway construction projects, such as the roadway structure, bridge structures, curb and sidewalk, earthwork, retaining walls, pavement removal, and traffic signals. The estimated costs are shown below in Table 5.2 and Table 5.3. All costs are in 2007 dollars and do not reflect the added cost of inflation. The potential funding sources are indicated (State, City or Private), but they do not assure the availability or approval of such improvements.

In order to provide funding for future projects (i.e. local street network and South Main Street), the City should establish a System Development Charge (SDC) or Local Improvement District (LID) program. These types of programs are set up to collect funds from developments and/or land owners and are based on the amount of traffic generated.

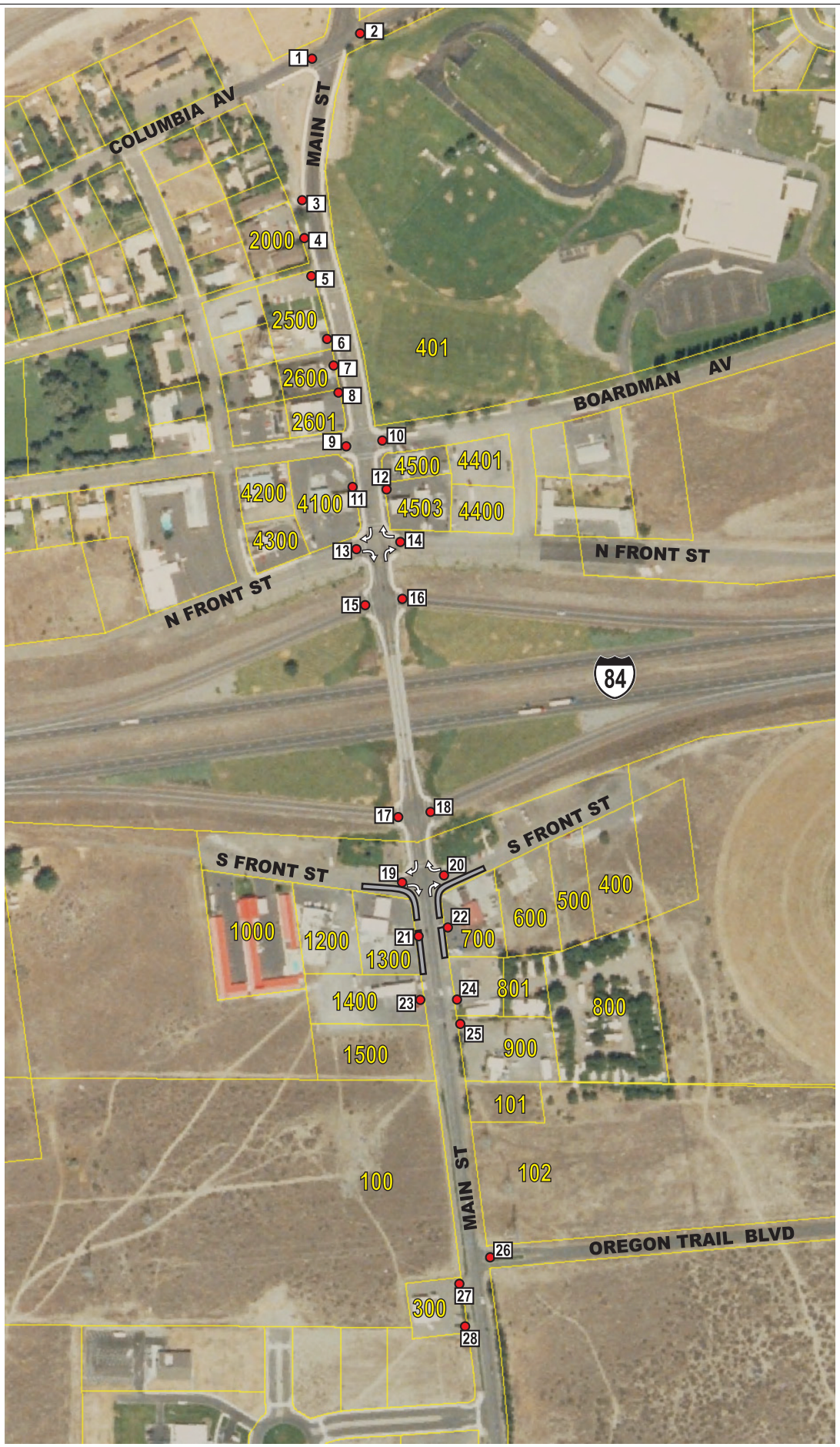
Table 5.2: Cost Estimates for Main Street IAMP Improvements

Alternative	Potential Funding Source	Estimated Cost
Main Street Bridge at I-84		
Additional approach lane on exit ramp	ODOT/ City	$150,000
Traffic Signal at I-84 Westbound Ramp	ODOT / City	$300,000
Reconstruct overpass	ODOT / City	$10-15 million
Reconstruct South Main Street*	City / ODOT	$3 million

* Does not include Right of Way acquisition.

Table 5.3: Cost Estimates for Local Street Network

Improvements (not including right-of-way)	Potential Funding Source	Estimated Cost
Oregon Trail (east)	City / Private	$2 Million
Oregon Trail (west)	City / Private	$3.3 Million
Tatone St (north)	City / Private	$1.3 Million
Tatone St (south)	City / Private	$500,000
North/South Collector (east of Main Street)	City / Private	$3 Million
Expanded Pedestrian & Bicycle Network*	City / Private	$750,000



LEGEND

0 - Access Location & Number

000 - Tax Lot ID#

- Medium Range Limited Access

- Medium Range Future Curb

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Figure 5.4

MAIN STREET IAMP MEDIUM RANGE ACCESS MANAGEMENT

LEGEND

0 - Access Location & Number

000 - Tax Lot ID#

- Long Range Future Access

- Long Range Future Curb

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Figure 5.5

MAIN STREET LONG RANGE ACCESS MANAGEMENT PLAN NORTH

LEGEND

- 0 - Access Location & Number
- 000 - Tax Lot ID#
- Long Range Future Access
- Long Range Future Curb
- Future Roadway Network

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Figure 5.6

MAIN STREET LONG RANGE ACCESS MANAGEMENT PLAN SOUTH

Alternative Evaluation and Prioritization

Alternative Evaluation

Using the objectives for the Main Street IAMP outlined in Chapter 2, alternatives were evaluated to ensure the goals established at the outset of the project were met. The objectives used included criteria related to public involvement, addressing local issues, provision of transportation improvement alternatives, conformity with statewide plans and policies, and inclusion of policies and implementing measures to preserve the functionality of the interchange.

Prioritization of Improvements

The improvement alternatives have been prioritized into short, medium, and long-range actions, as shown in Table 5.3 to provide guidance for future implementation and funding. Short-range actions represent immediate needs and should be implemented within a 5 year period. There were no short-range actions identified. If medium-range actions are triggered within 5 years, they can be considered short-range improvements. Medium-range actions represent improvements that are not required immediately, but should be given priority over improvements identified as long-range actions. Assuming all improvements are planned for construction within a 20-year period, medium-range actions should be considered for implementation within 5 to 10 years. Long-range actions typically represent improvements of lower priority or requiring higher levels of funding. These improvements should be planned for construction within 10 to 20 years.

It should be recognized that this prioritization of projects is not intended to imply that projects of higher priority must be implemented before projects of lower priority. Should opportunities arise, through private land development or other means, to construct specific projects earlier than the estimated time frame provided by this list, those resources should be utilized.

Table 5.3: Transportation Improvement Prioritization

Short-Range Improvements (0 to 5 years)	Triggers	Estimated Cost	Potential Funding Source
• No Specific short-range actions identified. Medium-range improvements if triggered earlier than 5 years.	- Increase in crashes - Property (re)development	NA	• City • Property owners
Medium-Range Improvements (5 to 10 years)			
• Reconstruct South Main Street.	- Money becomes available - Property (re)development	$3,000,000	• ODOT • City
• Medium-range actions from access management plan.	- Increase in crashes - Recurring public complaint - Property (re)development	NA	• City • Property owners
• Construct additional approach lane on I-84 ramp terminals	- Increase in crashes - LOS drops below standards - Turn lanes warranted	$150,000	• FHWY • ODOT • City
Long-Range Improvements (10 to 20 years)			

• Construct new public streets according to adopted Local Connectivity Plan.	- Property (re)development	$10 to 12 million	• City • Property owners
• Install traffic signal at Main Street & I-84 Westbound Ramp	- Traffic signal warrants met	$300,000	• ODOT • City
• Reconstruct Main Street Bridge over I-84 – including wider sidewalk, bike lanes and turn lanes.	- Turn lanes warranted - Money becomes available - ODOT Bridge program – structural deficiency - Increase in bike/ped crashes	$10 to 15 million	• FHWA • ODOT • City
• Long-range actions from access management plan.	- Increase in crashes - Recurring public complaints - Property (re)development	NA	• City • Property Owners
Note: Medium and long-range improvements could be constructed sooner than anticipated as opportunities arise through private property development or other means.			

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