

Presentation to Stakeholders

November 10, 2020

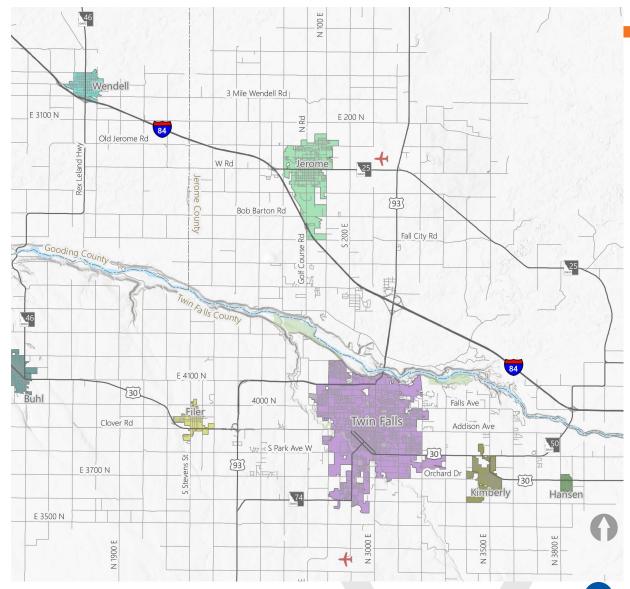
AGENDA

- Introductions
- Study Background
- Existing Conditions (Year 2020)
- Future Conditions (Year 2040)
- Origin-Destination Analysis & Findings
- River Crossing Options, Analysis & Findings
- Next Steps



STUDY PURPOSE AND STUDY AREA

- Understand trip generation and origindestination (OD) characteristics within the study area
- Identify possible river crossing locations and opportunities to expand existing crossings
- Assess the effects that a new river crossing or an expanded existing crossing would have on regional traffic and freight patterns
- Work with Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and partnering agencies to collaborate on river crossing strategies
- This study focuses on the traffic components of a new river crossing a potential next step could be an environmental study.





STUDY SCHEDULE

December 2019 - June 2020

EXISTING AND FUTURE NO-BUILD CONDITIONS

- Environmental considerations
- Freight considerations
- Traffic operations
- Origin-destination analysis

June 2020 - November 2020

RIVER CROSSING OPTIONS ANALYSIS

- Identification of river crossing options
- Analysis of effects on regional traffic



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RIVER CROSSING OPTIONS ANALYSIS REFINEMENT

- Refine analysis based on feedback from ITD
- Develop final documentation
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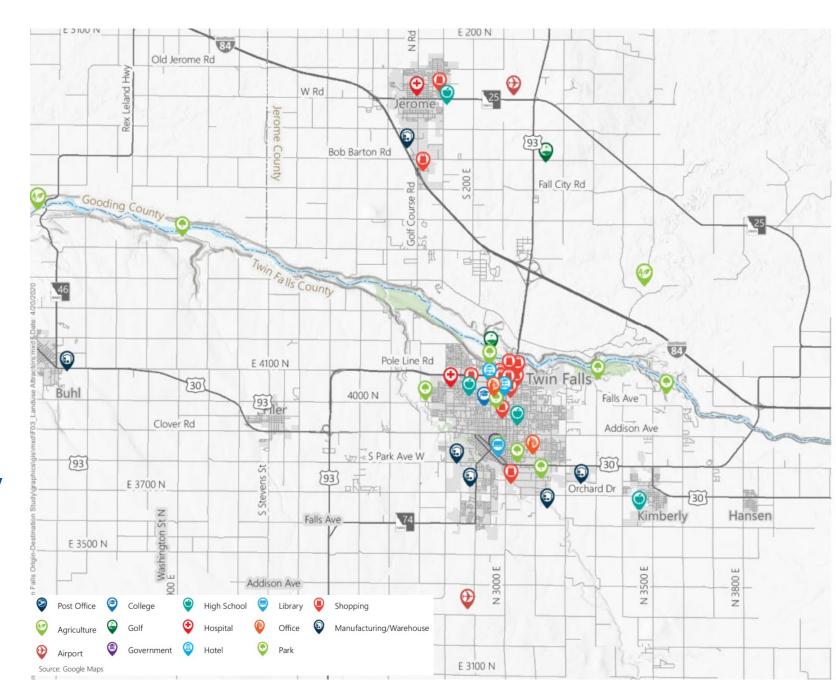


EXISTING CONDITIONS (YEAR 2020)



LAND USE

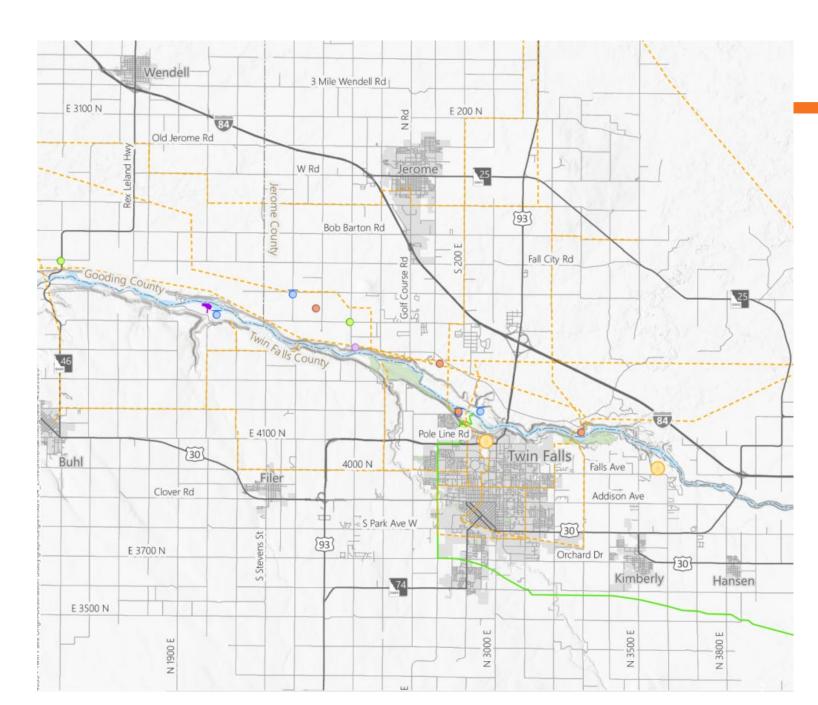
- High concentration of commercial uses
 - At Pole Line Rd/Blue Lakes Blvd intersection
 - Along Blue Lakes Blvd
- Industrial and food processing facilities on southern edge between Twin Falls and Kimberly





ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

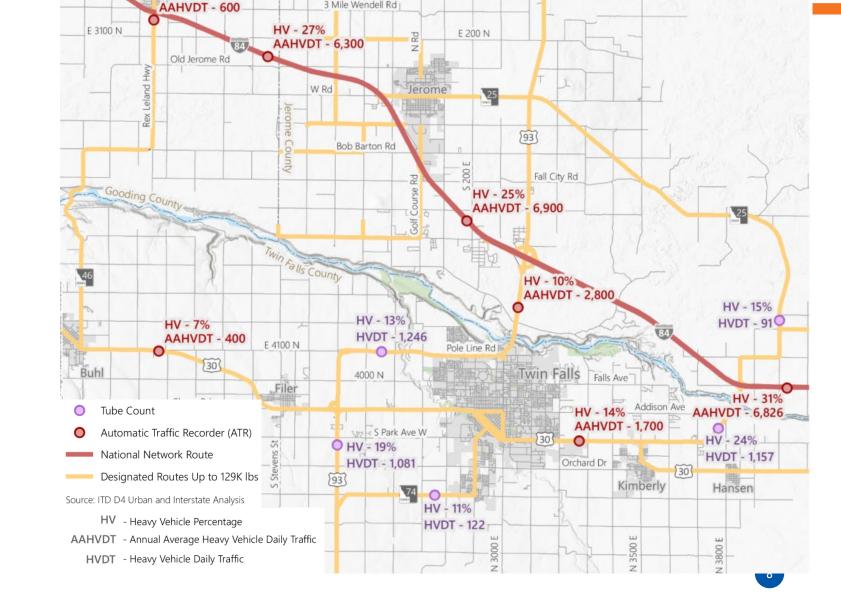
- Transmission Tower
- General Remediation
- Hazardous Site
- Solid Waste
- Underground Storage Tanks
- --- Power Line
- Gas Line
- Managed Land





FREIGHT CONSIDERATIONS

- Heavy vehicles comprise at least 10% of total traffic on most major roadways.
- River crossings have 4,600 heavy vehicle trips per day.
 - US 93 2,800 (61%)
 - SH 50 1,200 (26%)
 - SR 46 600 (13%)

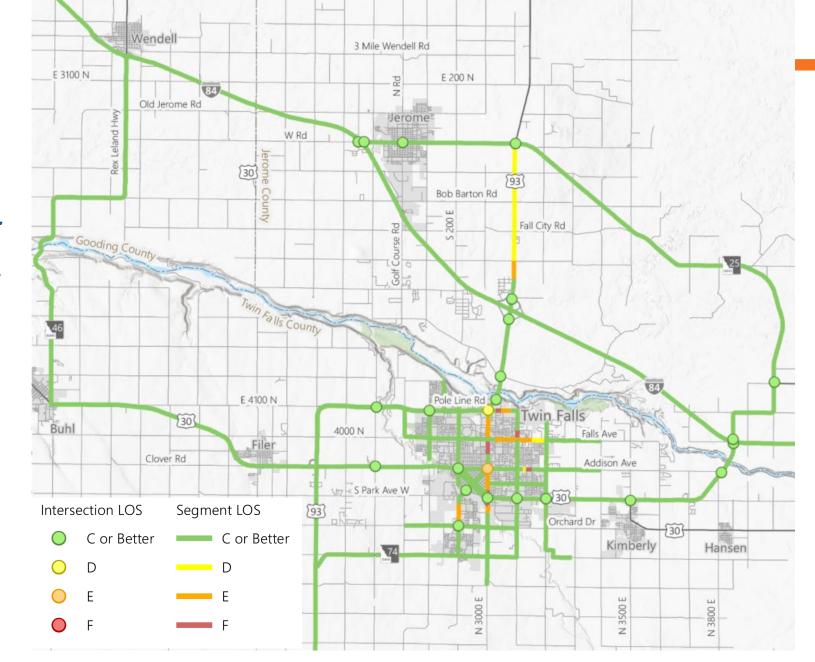


HV - 17%



EXISTING TRAFFIC OPERATIONS (2020)

- Majority of roadways and intersections operate at level-ofservice (LOS) C or better during the PM peak hour.
- Intersections that operate at LOS D or worse include:
 - Blue Lakes Blvd/Pole Line Rd
 - Blue Lakes Blvd/Addison Ave





FUTURE CONDITIONS (YEAR 2040)

YEAR 2040 GROWTH

• Future year 2040 conditions were established using growth rates ranging from 1.4% to 3.3% per year and information from the statewide travel demand model.

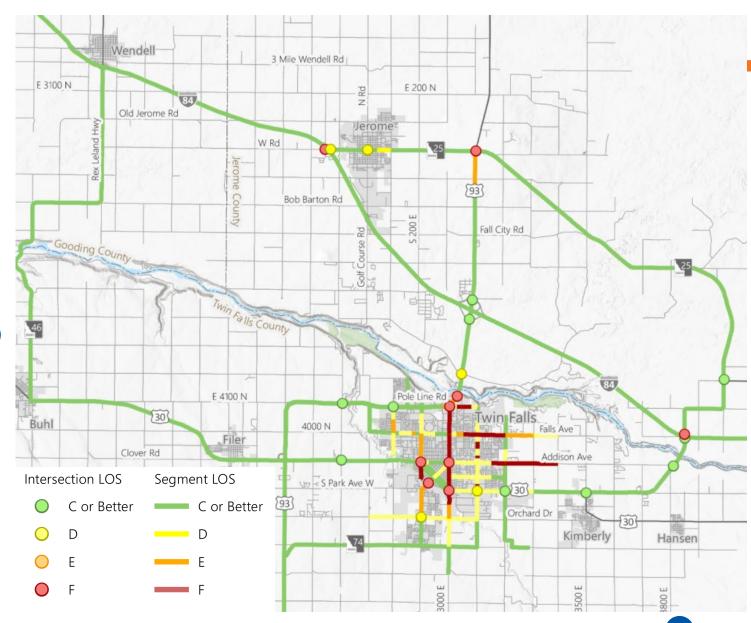
Table 2 Operations Analysis Methodology and Source List

Facility Type	How Were Year 2040 Volumes Developed?	Growth Rate	Source
Interstate Segments	Growth Rate	2.5%	ITD District 4 Interstate Operational Analysis
Highway Segments	Growth Rate	1.4% - 3.3%	ITD District 4 Urban Highways Analysis
Roadway Segments in Twin Falls (Non-Highway)	Travel Demand Model Volumes	Not Applicable	City of Twin Falls Travel Demand Model
Roadway Segments Outside of Twin Falls (Non-Highway)	Growth Rate	1.9%	ITD ATR Data



YEAR 2040 TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

- Several roadways and intersections in Twin Falls are expected to operate at LOS F during the PM peak hour in year 2040 traffic conditions.
 - Blue Lakes Blvd/Pole Line Rd
 - Blue Lakes Blvd/Addison Ave
 - Washington St/Addison Ave
 - Shoshone St/Minidoka Ave
 - Blue Lakes Blvd/Kimberly Rd
 - Blue Lakes Blvd (Snake River to Kimberly Rd)
 - Falls Ave (Blue Lakes Blvd to Hankins Rd)
 - Washington St (South of Addison Ave)
 - Addison Ave (Hankins Rd to N 3400 E
 - Pole Line Rd (East of US 93)
- Most roadway segments outside of Twin Falls are expected to operate at LOS C or better in year 2040.





RIVER CROSSING CHARACTERISTICS

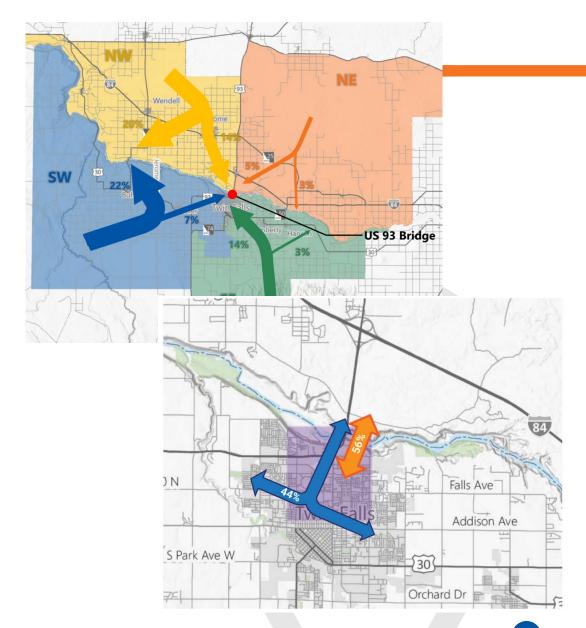
	All Crossings	SR 46 Crossing	US 93 Crossing	SH 50 Crossing		
# of Travel Lanes		2	4	2		
Posted Speed (mph)		50	50	65		
Year 2020 Daily Vehicle Trips	44,700	3,400 (8%)	32,800 (73%)	8,500 (19%)		
Year 2020 Roadway Segment LOS		LOS C or better	LOS C or better	LOS C or better		
Year 2020 Adjacent Intersection LOS (North of/South of)		C or better/C or better	C or Better/	C or better / C or better		
Year 2020 Daily Heavy Vehicle Trips	4,600	600 (13%)	2,800 (61%)	1,200 (26%)		
Year 2040 Adjacent Intersection LOS (North of/South of)		C or better / C or better	D/F	C or better / C or better		
Year 2040 Daily Vehicle Trips	61,900	4,900 (8%)	44,100 (71%)	12,900 (21%)		
Year 2040 Roadway Segment LOS		LOS C or better	LOS C or better	LOS C or better		



ORIGIN-DESTINATION ANALYSIS & FINDINGS

ORIGIN-DESTINATION ANALYSIS

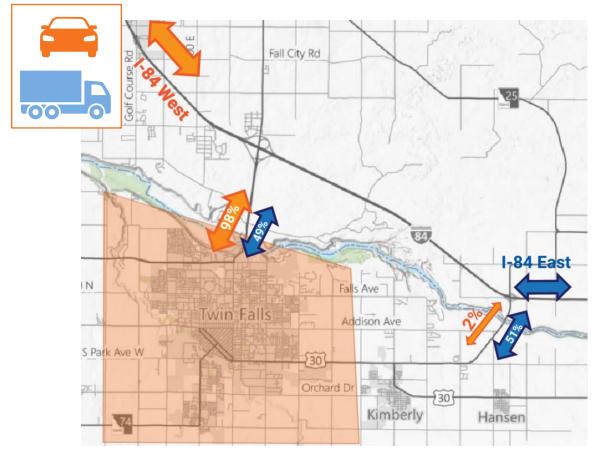
- StreetLight Data was used to understand trip characteristics and travel patterns.
- StreetLight Data sources OD data from Location-Based Services (LBS) and Global Positioning Systems (GPS)



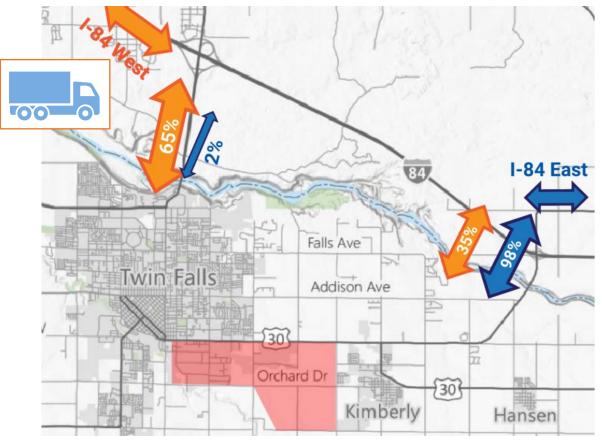


ORIGIN-DESTINATION SNAPSHOT

Which crossings are utilized by all vehicle trips between Twin Falls and I-84?



Which crossings are utilized by <u>heavy</u> <u>vehicles</u> going to/coming from industrial areas south of Twin Falls?





ORIGIN-DESTINATION SUMMARY

US 93 River Crossing

- Approximately 56% of all vehicles and 23% of heavy vehicles are trips to or from North-Central Twin Falls
 - These trips are unlikely to shift to another crossing location from US 93.
- Trips between Twin Falls and eastern Idaho are split evenly between the US 93 and SH 50 river crossings.

SH 50 River Crossing

- Primarily used by vehicle trips between the Twin Falls area (south of the river) and I-84 east
- Utilized by heavy vehicle trips between the Twin Falls Industrial Area (on US 30) and I-84 west

SR 46 River Crossing

Generally not utilized for inter-regional trips between Twin Falls and I-84

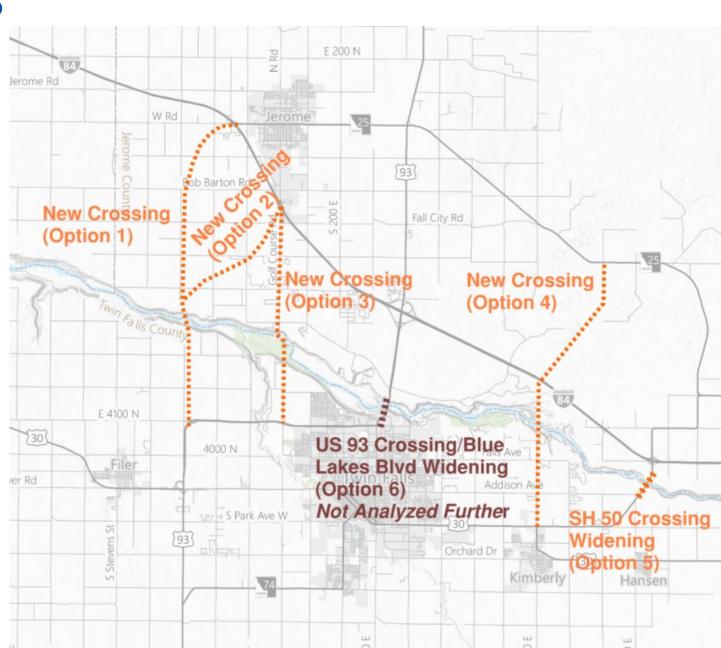


RIVER CROSSING OPTIONS, ANALYSIS & FINDINGS

RIVER CROSSING OPTIONS

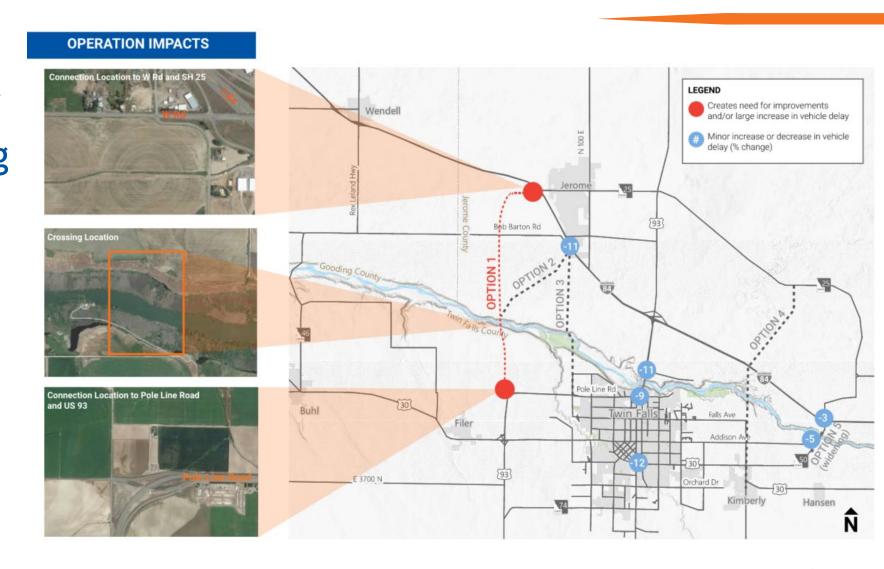
- Six options considered for further evaluation.
- Option 6 not analyzed further.
 - Expansion of US 93 constrained by ROW and adjacent businesses
 - Does not address other regional capacity deficiencies
- Options 1-5 selected for further analysis.
 - ITD's Statewide Travel Demand Model (+40K people, +25K jobs in 2040)





OPTION 1 - CONNECT W OF US 93 (CONNECT TO SH 25 IC)

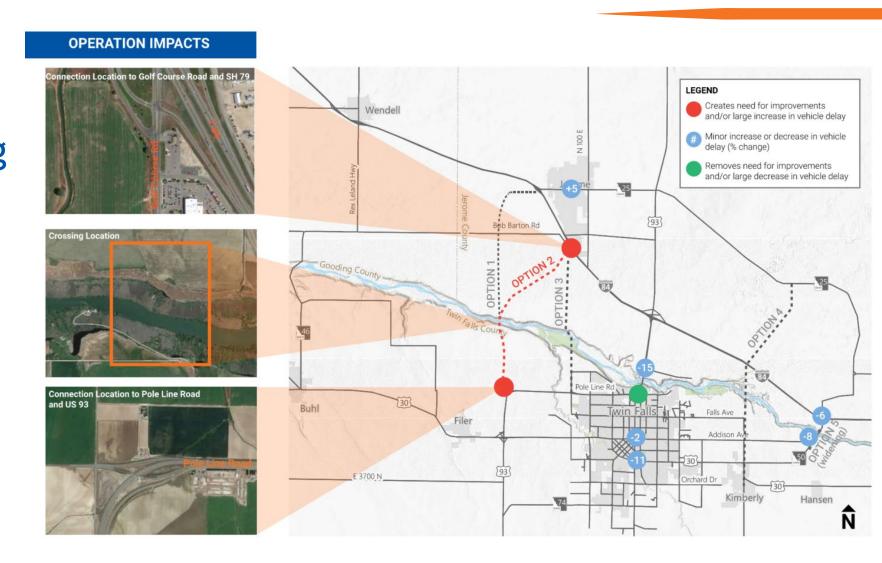
- 2-3 lane limitedaccess roadway that crosses 6 miles west of the US 93 crossing
 - 10 miles of new or modified roadway
 - 5 new or modified intersections
 - 2 new or modified interchanges
 - 1,700-2,000 feet bridge span
 - 5,300 Daily Trips





OPTION 2 - CONNECT W OF US 93 (CONNECT TO S JEROME IC)

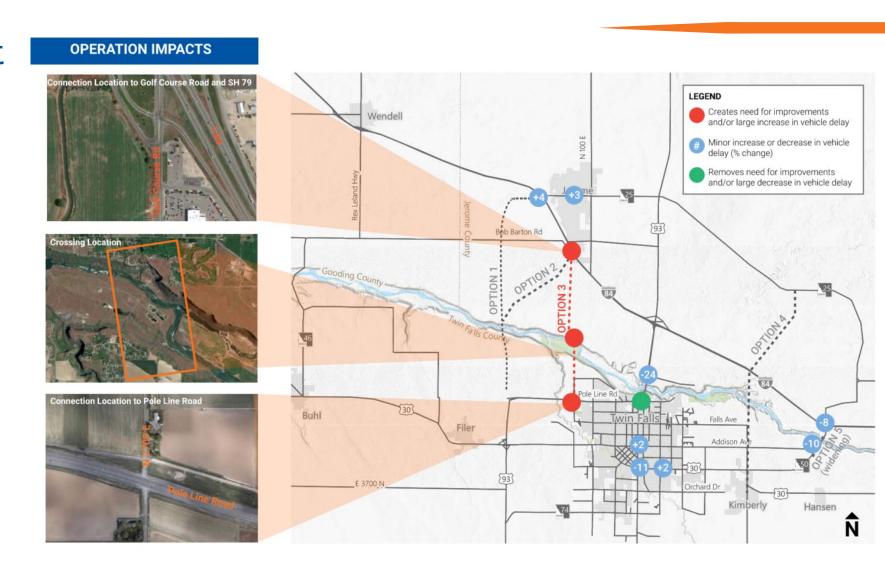
- 2-3 lane limitedaccess roadway that crosses 6 miles west of the US 93 crossing
 - 8 miles of new or modified roadway
 - 5 new or modified intersections
 - 2 new or modified interchanges
 - 1,700-2,000 feet bridge span
 - 7,300 Daily Trips





OPTION 3 - CONNECT W OF US 93 (CONNECT TO S JEROME IC)

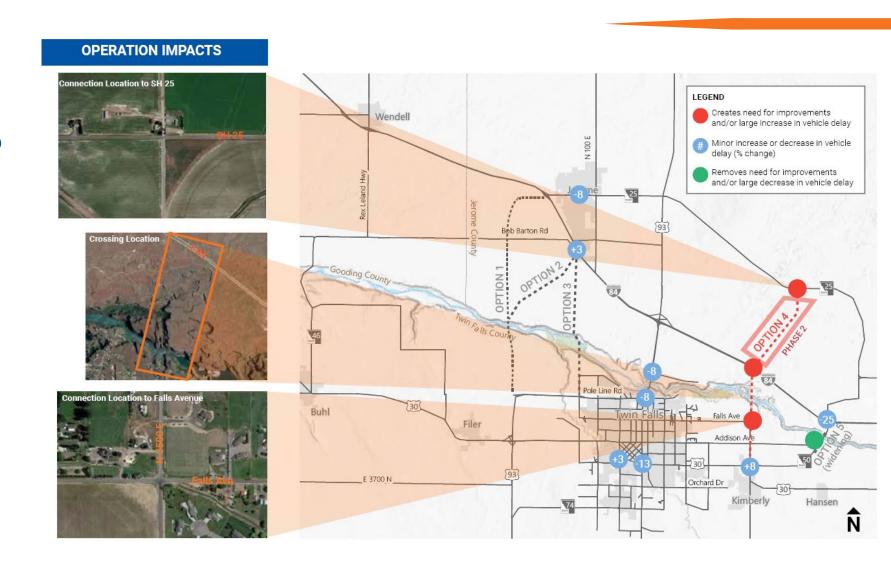
- 2-3 lane roadway that crosses 3 miles west of the US 93 crossing
 - 6 miles of new or modified roadway
 - Requires access management along Golf Course Road
 - 7 new or modified intersections
 - 1 modified interchange
 - 5,200-5,500 feet bridge span
 - Could be single-span structure or descend into Canyon
 - 12,800 Daily Trips





OPTION 4 - CONNECT E OF US 93 WITH NEW IC ON I-84

- 2-3 lane roadway that crosses 3.5 miles east of the US 93 crossing
 - 8 miles of new or modified roadway
 - 6 new or modified intersections
 - 1 new interchange
 - 3,600-3,900 feet bridge span
 - 8,300 Daily Trips



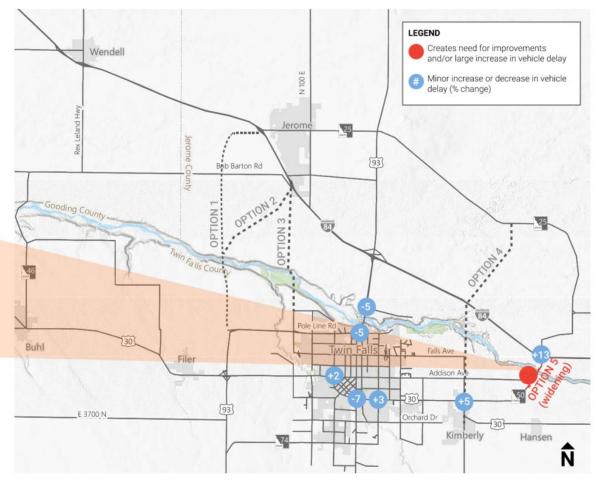


OPTION 5 - WIDEN HANSEN BRIDGE (SH 50 CROSSING)

- Widens SH 50 to 4/5 lanes from the SH 50 interchange to Addison Ave
 - 1 miles of modified roadway
 - 1 modified intersection
 - 1,200 feet bridge span
 - 18,000 Daily Trips (+2,400 from nobuild conditions)

OPERATION IMPACTS

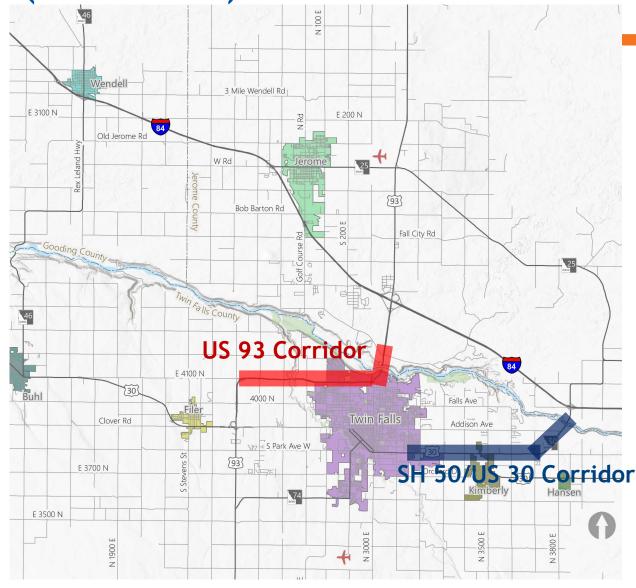






OPTIONS 1-5 SAFETY COMPARISON (YEAR 2040)

- Evaluated expected change in crashes on US 93 and SH 50/US 30 corridors
 - Small expected reduction of crashes on US 93 (Options 1-4)
 - Small expected reduction of crashes on SH 50/US 30 (Option 4)
 - Small expected increase in crashes on SH 50/US 30 (Option 5)
- Evaluated predicted crashes for the new roadway alignments.
 - All options predicted to have crashes on the new alignment.
 - Highest predicted crash rate (Option 3)





OPTIONS 1-5 COMPARISON SUMMARY (YEAR 2040) TRAFFIC VOLUMES, TRAVEL TIME, SAFETY

Option		rossing umes		rease in PM Peak Hour om Existing Crossings (% Change)		Total Decrea Hour Trav Cha	Expected Change in Crashes on	
	Daily	PM Peak Hour	SR 46	US 93	SH 50	Jerome to Twin Falls	SH 50 IC to Twin Falls	US 93 and SH 50/US 30
Option 1 (W of US 93 @ SH 25)	5,300	407	-16%	-11%	-5%	-8% (2 min)	-3% (<1 min)	<u></u>
Option 2 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	7,300	598	21%	-15%	-8%	-10% (3 min)	-4% (1 min)	<u> </u>
Option 3 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	12,800	944	17%	-24%	-10%	-13% (4 min)	-4% (1 min)	1
Option 4 (E of US 93 with new IC)	8,300	663	-6%	-8%	-28%	-5% (2 min)	-13% (2 min)	
Option 5 (SH 50 Widening)	2,400* *additional volume on SH 50	190* *additional volume on SH 50	+6%	-5%	+16%	-3% (1 min)	-17% (3 min)	Û

OPTIONS 1-5 COMPARISON SUMMARY (YEAR 2040) INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACTS AND FREIGHT BENEFITS

Length of Bridge	Length of Impacted Roadway		# of Impacted Intersections		# of Impacted Interchanges		Freight Benefits		
	Span	New	Modified	New	Modified	New	Modified	Daily Heavy Vehicles	Travel Time Savings
Option 1 (W of US 93 @ SH 25)	1,700- 2,000 ft	4 miles	6 miles	3	2	1	1	800	Minor travel time savings on US 30/SH 50 (-3%) and US 93 (-8%) corridors
Option 2 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	1,700- 2,000 ft	6 miles	2 miles	4	1	1	1	1,200	Minor travel time savings on US 30/SH 50 (-4%) and US 93 (-10%) corridors
Option 3 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	5,200- 5,500 ft	2 miles	4 miles	2	5	0	1	1,100	Minor travel time savings on US 30/SH 50 (-4%) and US 93 (-13%) corridors
Option 4 (E of US 93 with new IC)	3,600 - 3,900 ft	5 miles	3 miles	2	4	1	0	1,200	Minor travel time savings on US 30/SH 50 (-13%) and US 93 (-5%) corridors
Option 5 (SH 50 Widening) UKIGIN-DESTINATION STUDY	1,200 ft	0 miles	1 mile	0	1	0	0	600* *additional volume on SH 50	Travel time savings on US 30/SH 50 (-17%) and US 93 (-3%) corridors

OPTIONS 1-5 ESTIMATED COST COMPARISON

Assumptions

- 50' roadway cross-section
- 70' bridge cross-section
- 120' Right-of-Way width
- Roundabouts at major intersections
- 40% Contingency
- Unit costs
 - Bridge Cost = \$430/sf
 - AC = \$74/ton
 - Base/Subbase = \$35/CY

Option	Total Estimated Cost
Option 1 (W of US 93 @ SH 25)	\$245 million
Option 2 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	\$235 million
Option 3 (W of US 93 @ Jerome IC)	\$405 million
Option 4 (E of US 93 with new IC)	\$390 million
Option 5 (SH 50 Widening)	\$75 million



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QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION



OTHER SLIDES

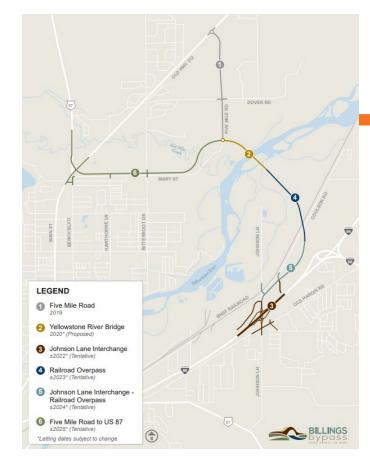


PROJECT COMPARISON - BILLINGS BYPASS

- 6 miles new/modified roadway
- Modified interchange at I-90
- New Crossing over Yellowstone River
- Cost = >\$115 million
- Total time (planning -> construction)
 - 17 years (phase 1)
 - >25 years (all phases)







PROJECT COMPARISON - IDAHO 16

- 7 miles grade-separated roadway
- New interchange at I-80
- Crossing over Boise River
- Cost
 - \$102 million (already completed)
 - \$450 million (to complete next phases)
- Total time (planning -> construction)
 - >8 years (initial phase)
 - >15 years (all phases)





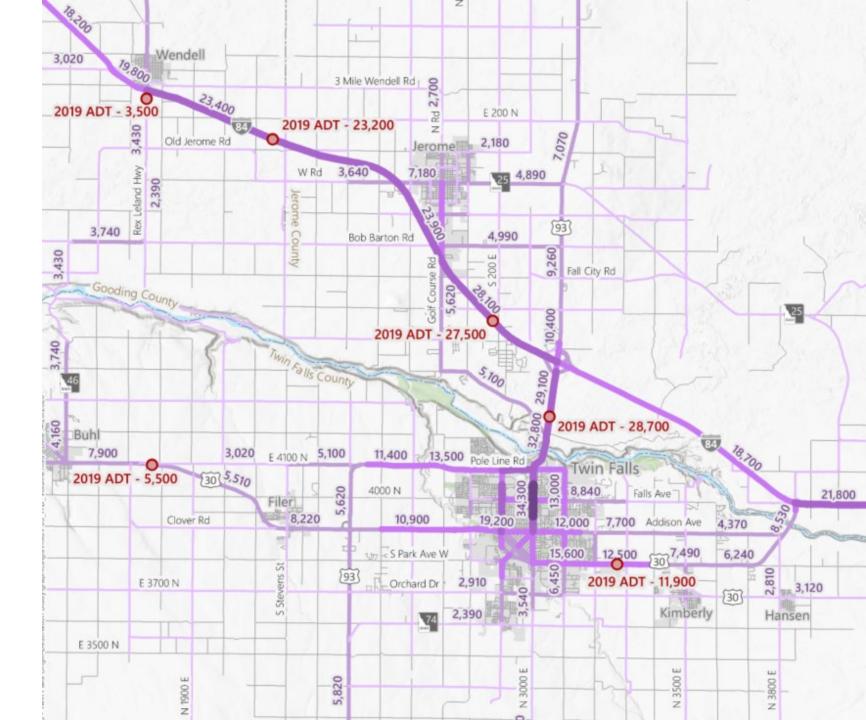


YEAR 2020 TRAFFIC VOLUMES



Source: Idaho Transportation Department



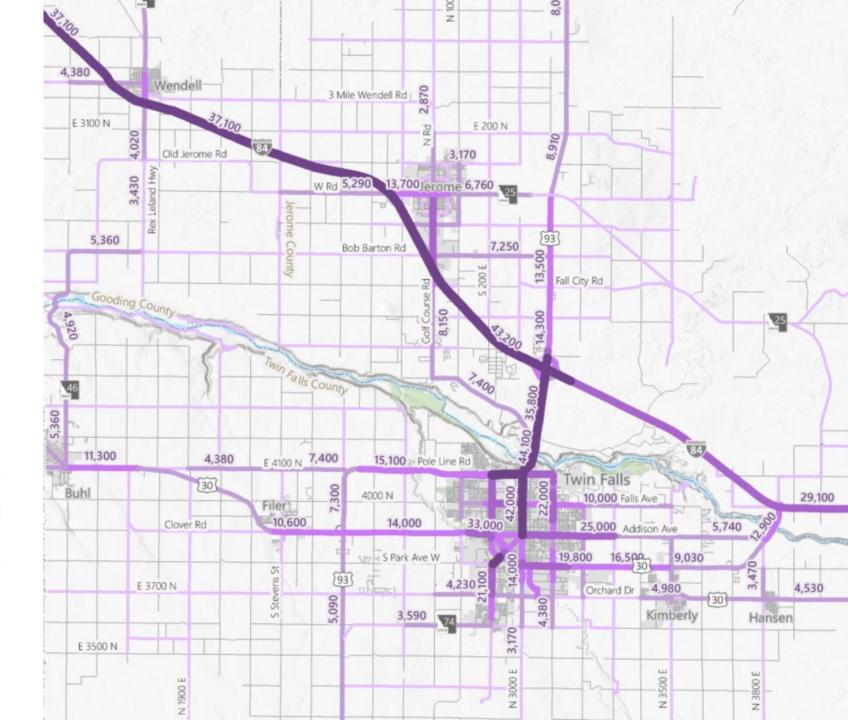


YEAR 2040 TRAFFIC VOLUMES

Future Daily Traffic Volume 10,501 - 20,000 20,001 - 33,000 33,001 - 44,060

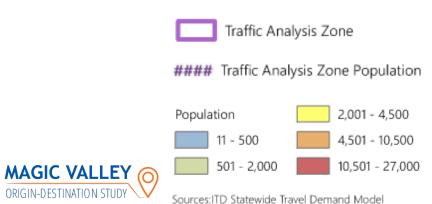
Sources: City Limits: Twin Falls Transportation Master Plan Counties: ITD D4 Urban Highways and Interstate Analysis

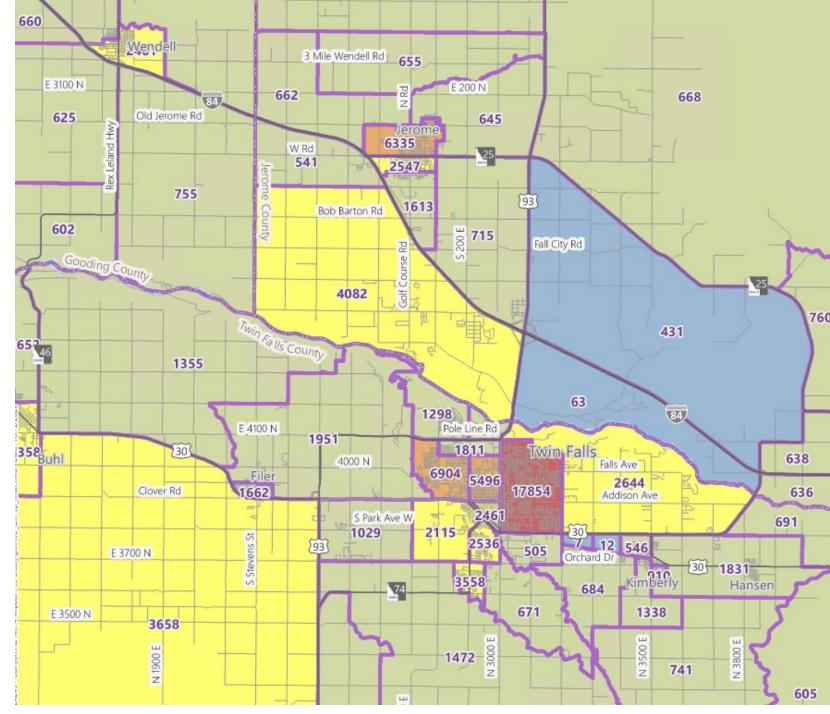




YEAR 2020 POPULATION

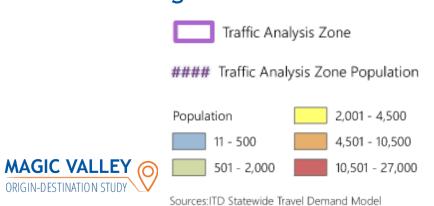
- Taken from the ITD Statewide Travel Demand Model
- Total Population = 103,000

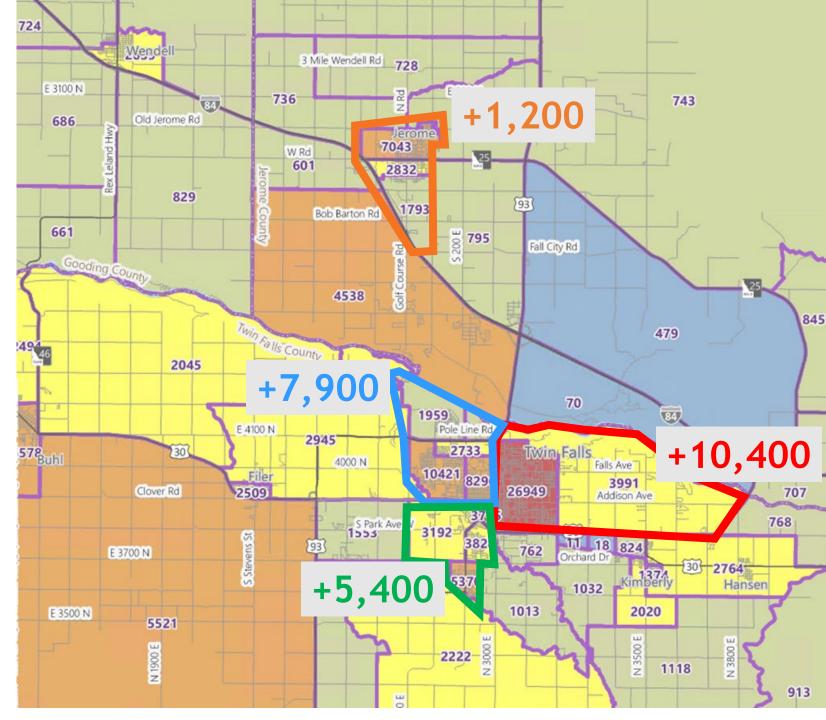




YEAR 2040 POPULATION

- Growth concentrated in Twin Falls
- Some growth in Jerome and outside urban areas
- Total Population = 144,000
 - Annual growth rate = 1.8%

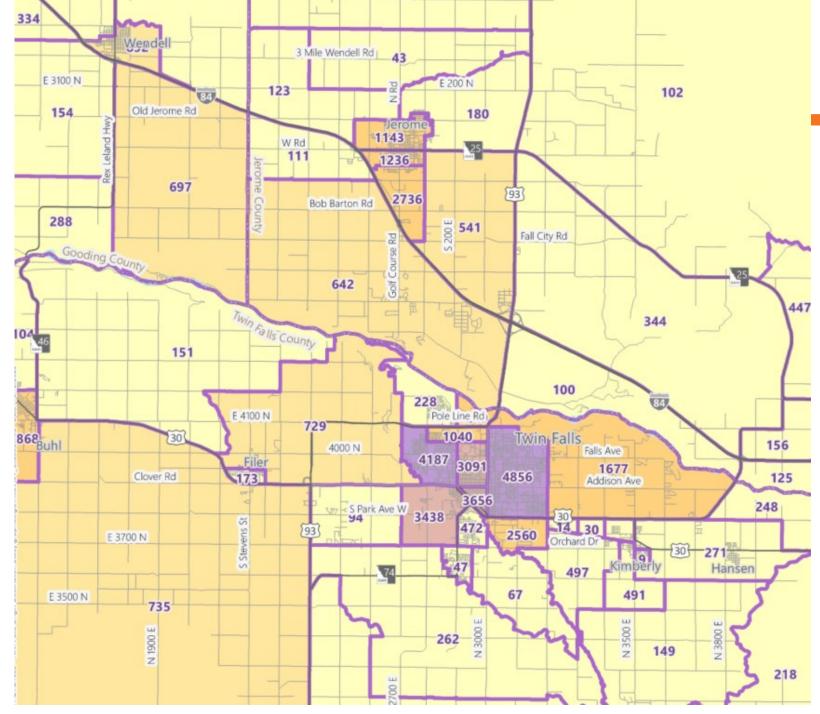




YEAR 2020 EMPLOYMENT

- Taken from the ITD Statewide Travel Demand Model
- Total # of Jobs = 44,194





YEAR 2040 EMPLOYMENT

- Similar trend to population growth
 - concentrated in Twin Falls
 - some growth in Jerome and outside urban areas
- Total # of Jobs = 68,679
 - Annual growth rate = 2.2%

