

# Market Street / SR 20 & 45 Complete Street Project

November 16, 2010  
City of Colusa Study Session

## Study Area Corridor



## Project Purpose

- Starting point to assess the feasibility of Complete Streets improvements along Market Street
- Assess community interest and feedback in pursuing improvements concepts developed as part of this project

*This project is not a confirmation of any element's feasibility, or prioritization, or a funding commitment. Project will need to address challenges of funding for further planning, environmental studies, design, construction, and ongoing maintenance.*

## Project Goals

- Create a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly environment along the corridor
- Enhance connectivity along the corridor for all modes of travel
- Preserve and enhance Colusa's small town character and identity

# Planning Process

## Corridor Planning Process

### Guiding Plans and Documents

- City of Colusa General Plan, 2007
  - a) Land Use
  - b) Community Character and Design
  - c) Circulation
- City of Colusa Streets and Roadways Master Plan, 2009

### Current Efforts

- Traffic Signal at Market and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets





## Current Planning Process July Workshop

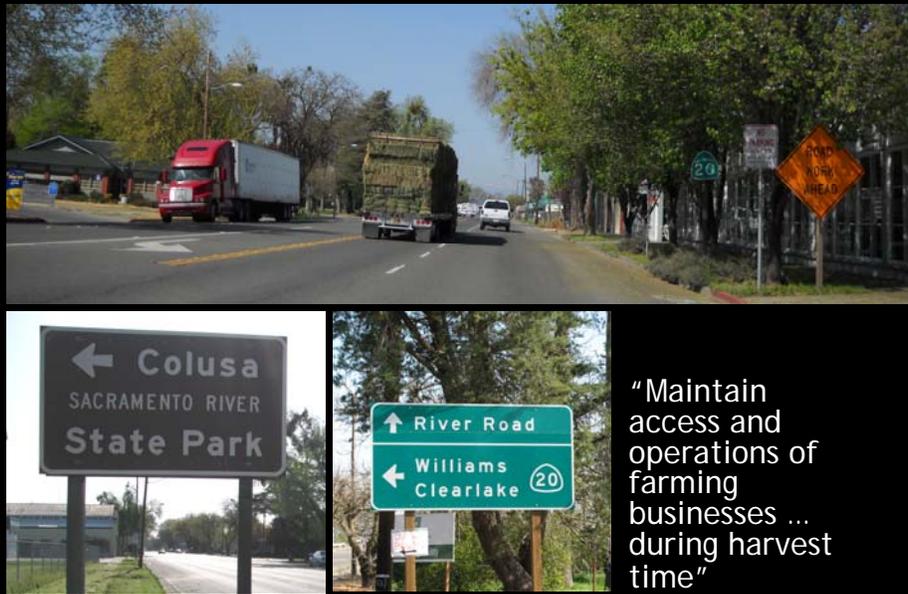


## Existing Conditions Analysis *Assets*

## Diverse Mix of Uses



## Key Transportation Corridor



## Character - Historic



"Great small town feel with a strong cultural identity.."

## Character - Natural Context



"... impressive canopy of trees."

# Existing Conditions Analysis

*Issues and Opportunities*

## Improving Safety & Connectivity



"... bicycle unfriendly..."



"...a difficult street to cross."

## Improving Pedestrian Environment



"noisy street..."



"...uneven sidewalks..."

## Improving Pedestrian Environment



"...with fast cars and big trucks..."

"...unfriendly wheelchair access..."



## Building on Community Needs & Values



"Make it safe and friendly for businesses and shoppers."

"Increase and enhance on-street parking opportunities"



## Maintaining Special Farm Equipment Needs

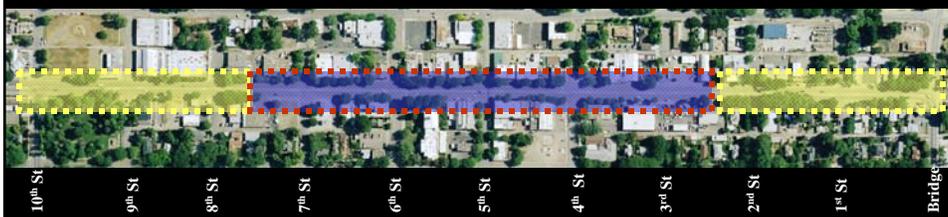


"Accommodate mobility of farm equipment"

## Respecting the Ecological Context



## Responding to the Changing Character



# Overarching Community Vision

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- A **safe and calm street** for families and children
- **Adequate and accessible parking** that supports neighboring businesses
- An **inviting gateway** to Downtown



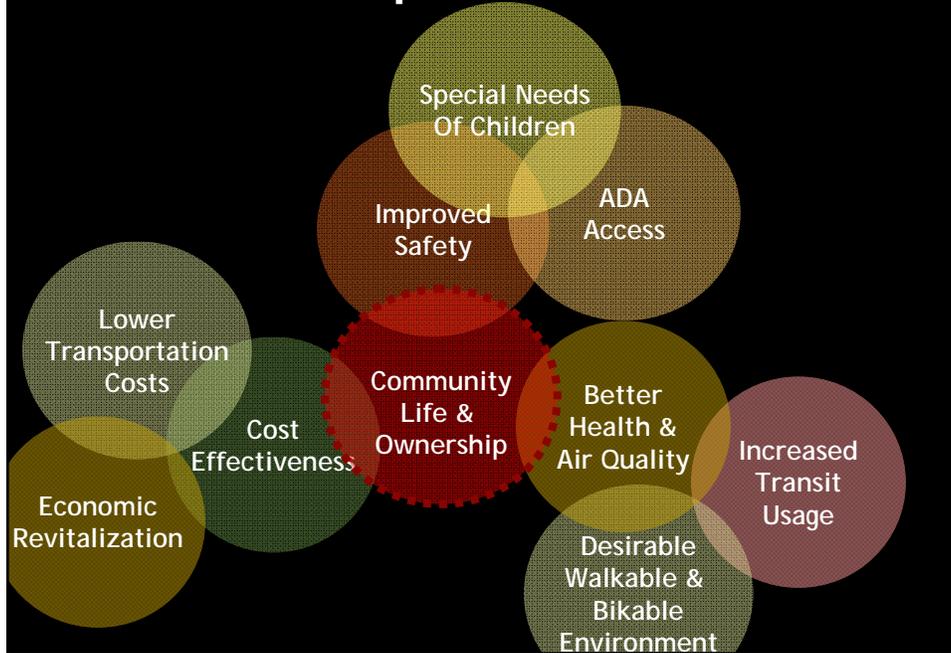
## Overarching Community Vision

- An **aesthetically pleasing** street with trees and shaded gathering places
- An attractive corridor that respects the historic character and **reflects the rural/ agricultural character** of the area
- A **complete street** that supports all modes of travel



**Complete  
Streets**

## A Successful Complete Street Combines...



## Desirable Design Characteristics

- Functional
  - Address needs of different street users
  - Safe & Calm
  - Iterative Change
- Human Scale
- Context Sensitive
  - Shade and protection from the elements
  - Respectful of historic, cultural & ecological context
- Memorable

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COAST HIGHWAY 101, ENCINITAS, CA

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STATE ROUTE 123, EMERYVILLE, CA

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Functional: Safe and Calm



SR 16, CAPAY VALLEY, CA

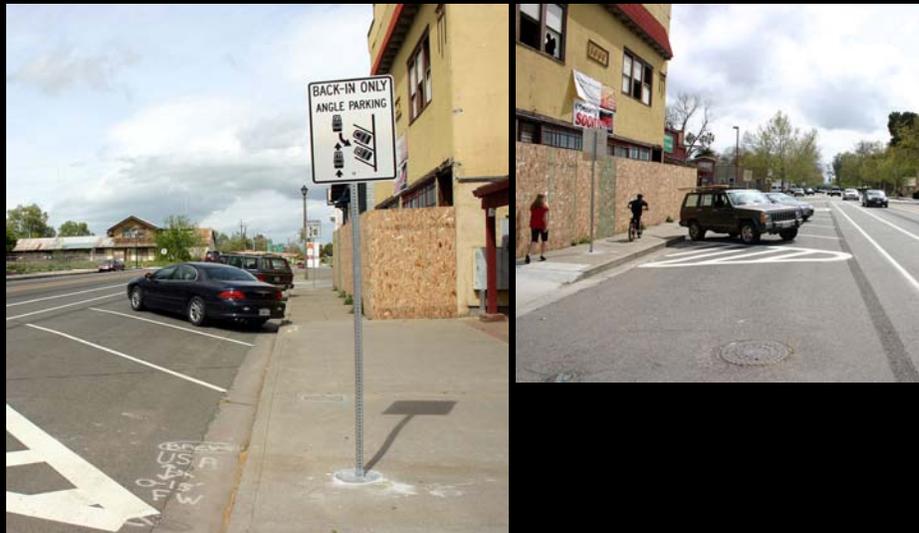
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Functional: Safe and Calm



## Desirable Design Characteristics

Functional- Iterative



ESPARTO, CA

## Desirable Design Characteristics

### Human Scale



STATE ROUTE 185, OAKLAND, CA

## Desirable Design Characteristics

Context Sensitive: Shade, Protection from the Elements



STATE ROUTE 123, BERKELEY, CA

## Desirable Design Characteristics

Context Sensitive: Ecological



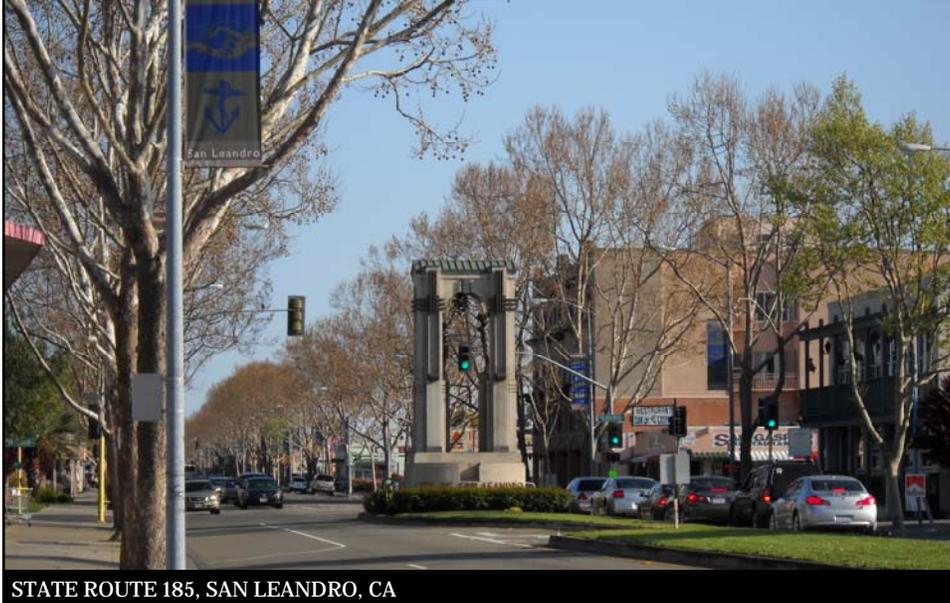
## Desirable Design Characteristics

Context Sensitive: Historic & Cultural



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## Desirable Design Characteristics Memorable



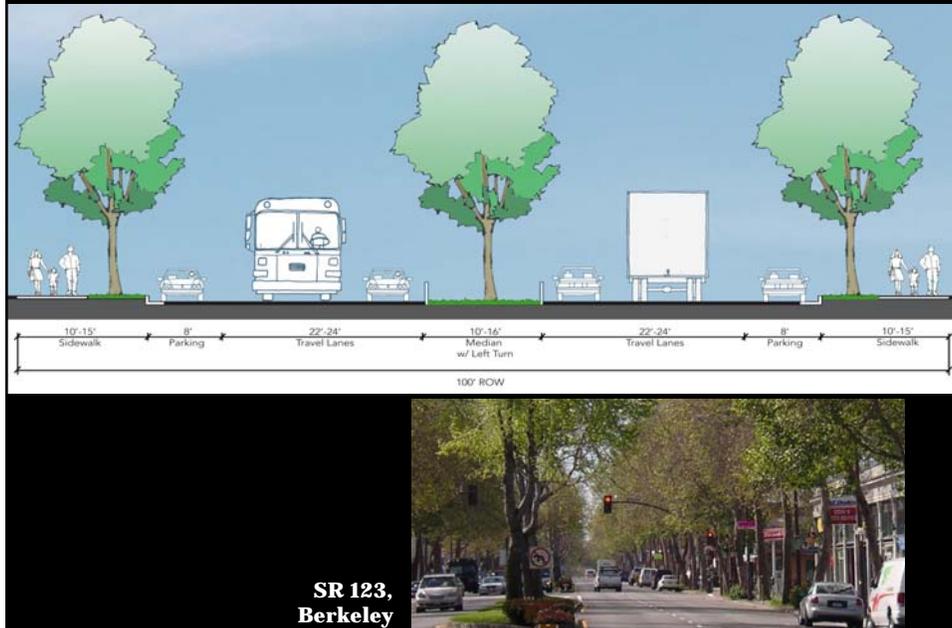
STATE ROUTE 185, SAN LEANDRO, CA

## Preliminary Market Street Alternatives (Presented at July Workshop)

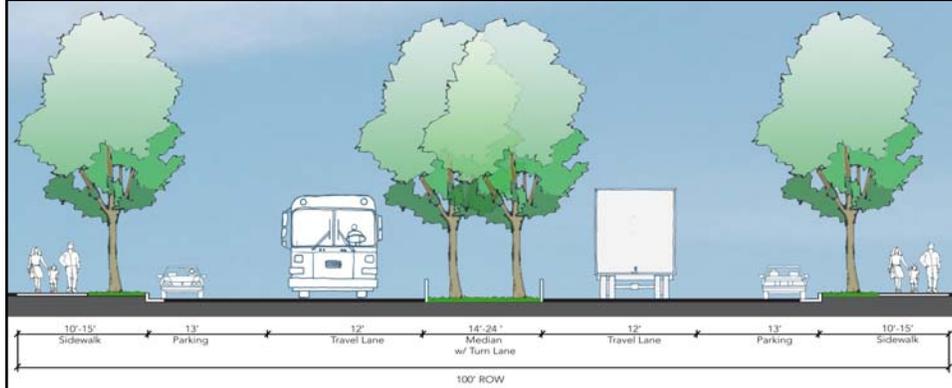
## Existing Conditions



## Alternative A



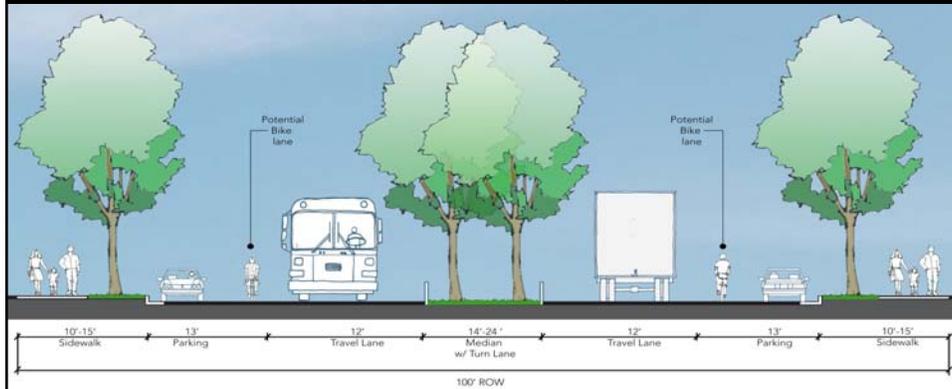
## Alternative B1a (End Blocks)



**SR 185,  
San Leandro**



## Alternative B1b (End Blocks)



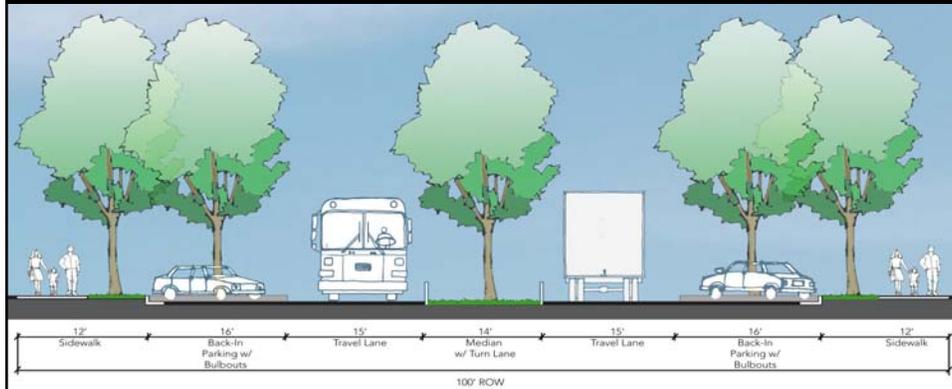
**La Jolla Blvd,  
San Diego**



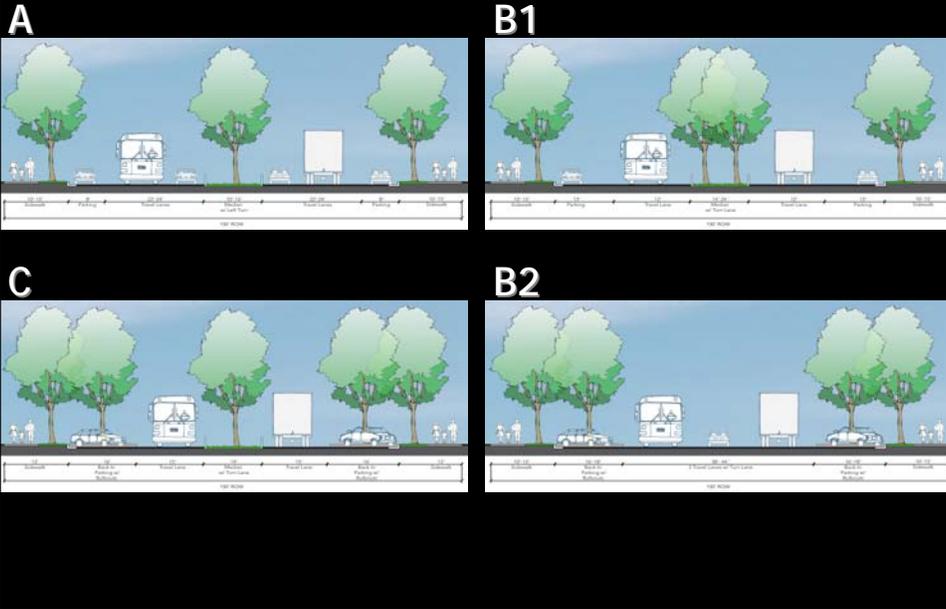
## Alternative B2 (Middle Blocks)



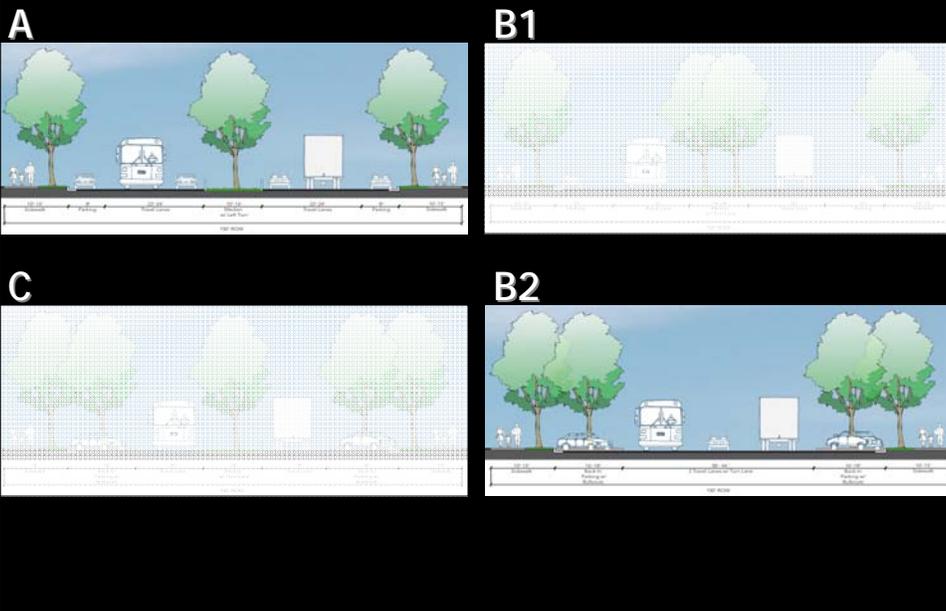
## Alternative C



## Preferred Preliminary Alternatives



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## Preferred Alternatives Should....

- Calm traffic by **reducing vehicular travel speeds**
- Improve pedestrian connectivity throughout the corridor by creating **convenient and well defined crossings for pedestrians**
- Maximize **on-street parking**
- Maintain **access for farm equipment**

## Farm Equipment Site Visit: August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010

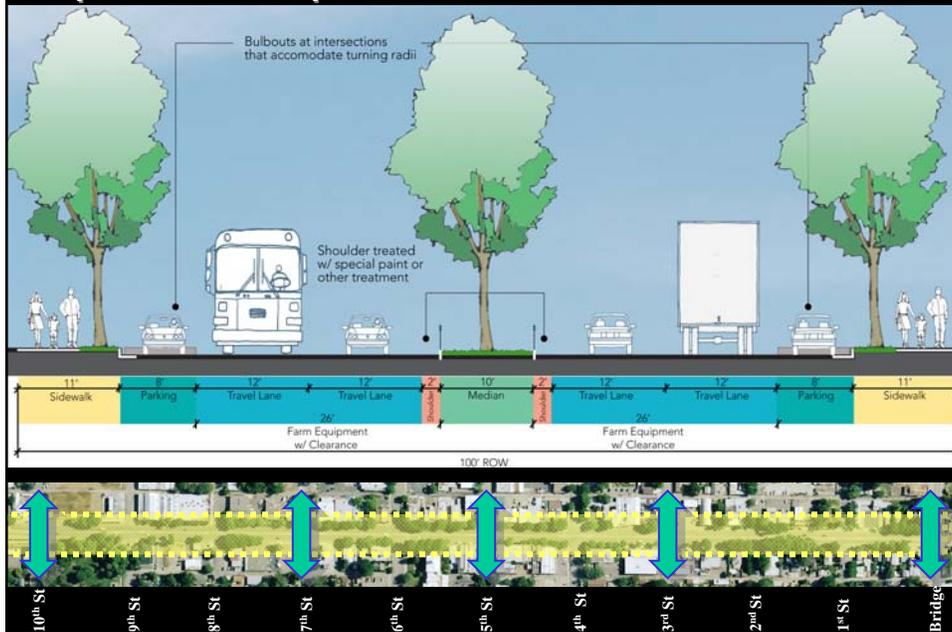


# Preferred Conceptual Market Street Concepts

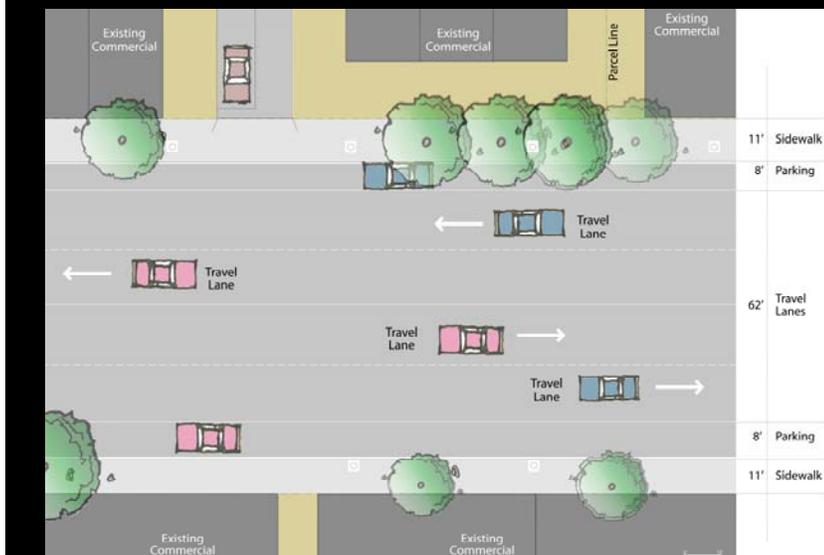
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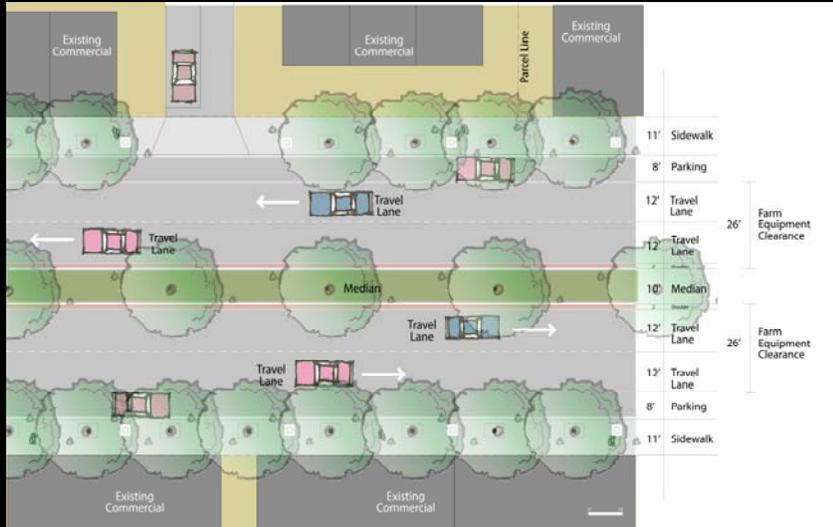
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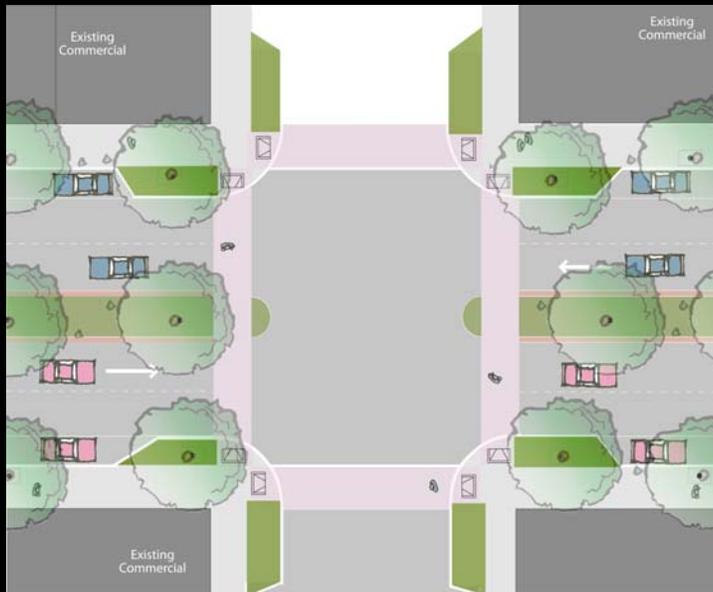
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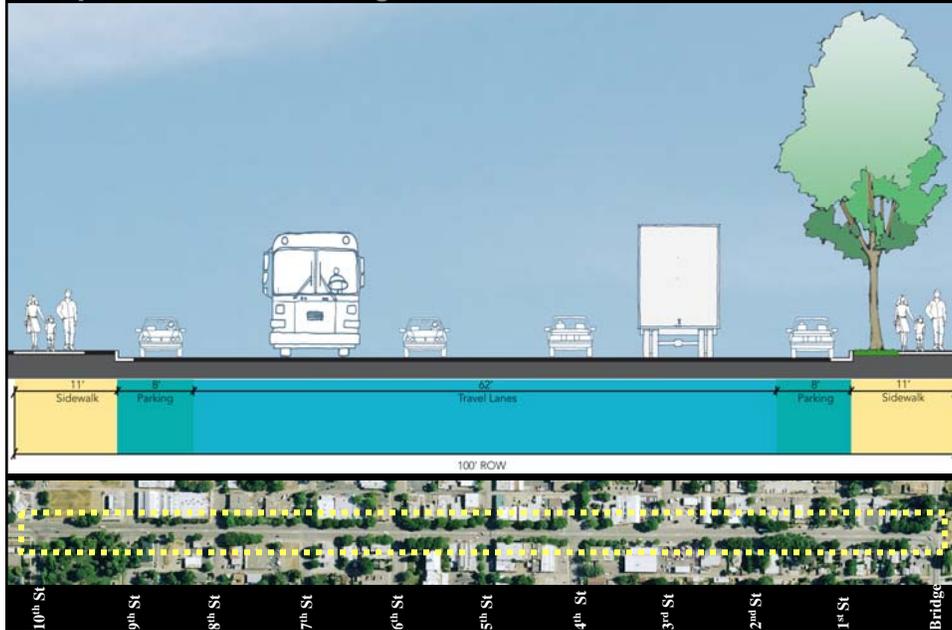
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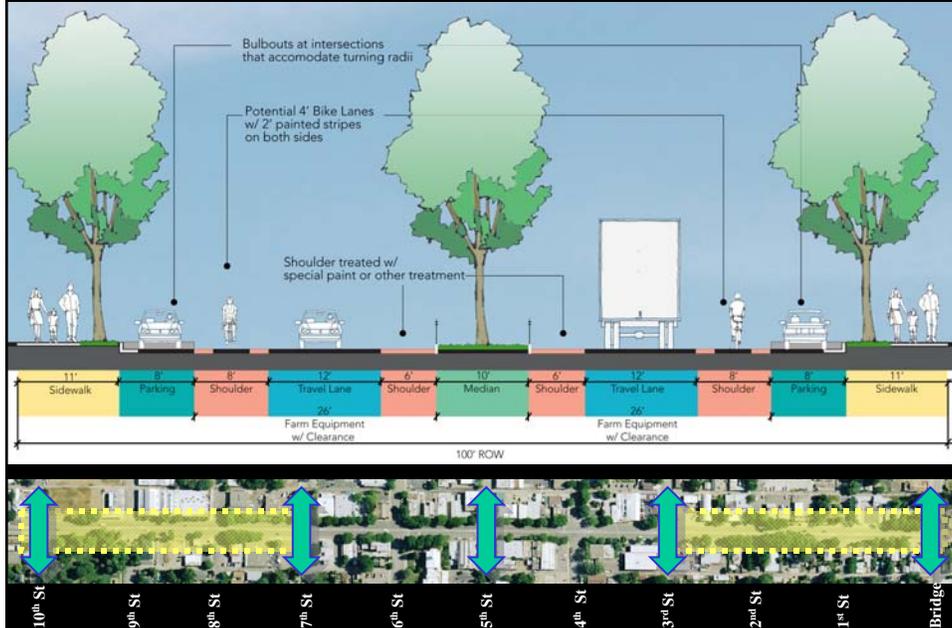
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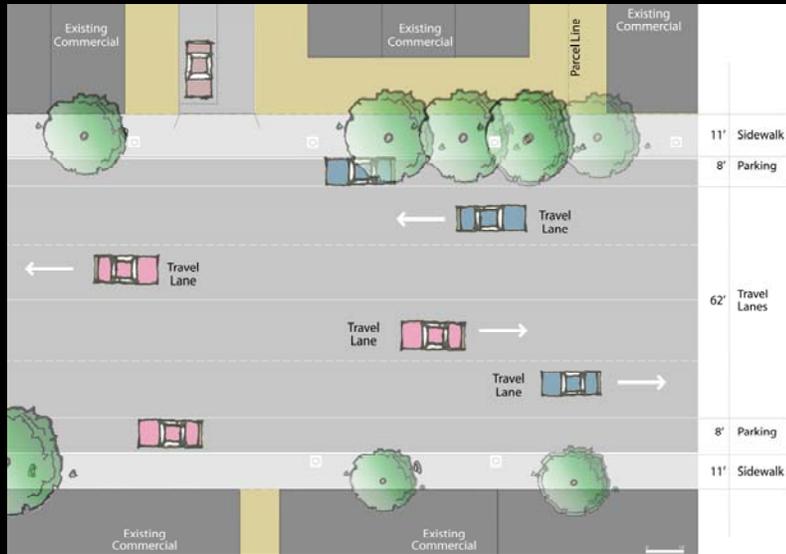
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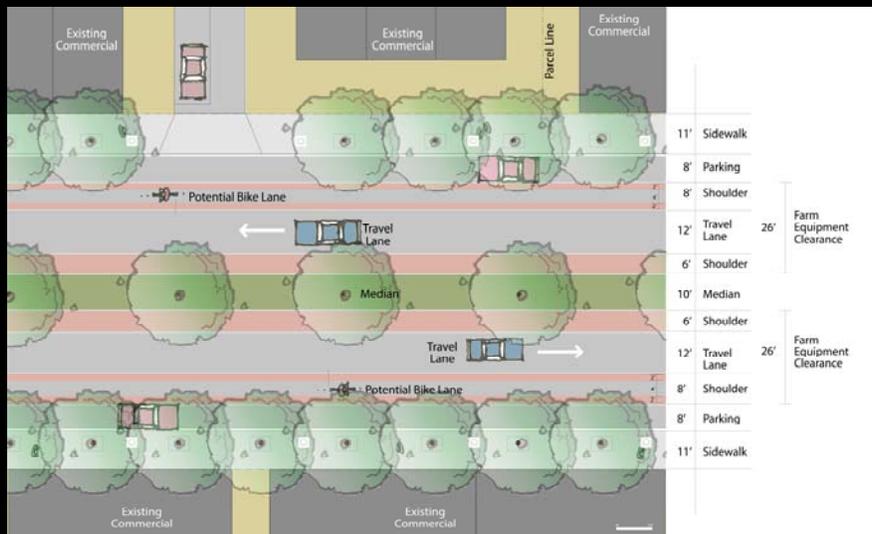
## Option B - Proposed at End Blocks



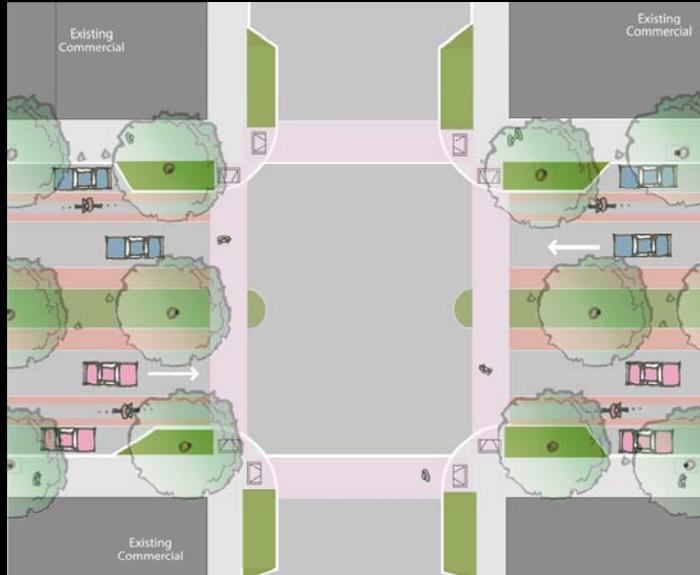
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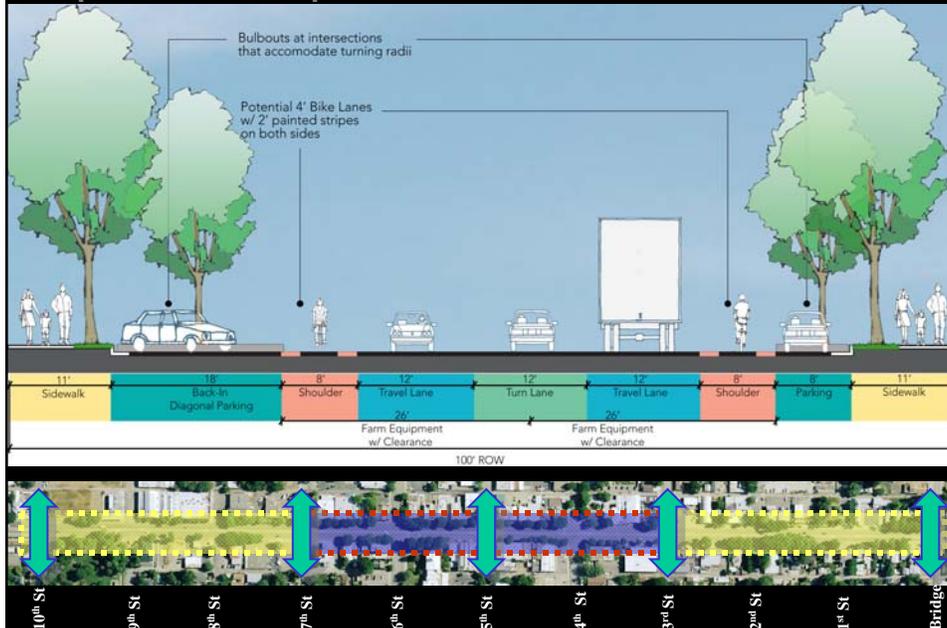
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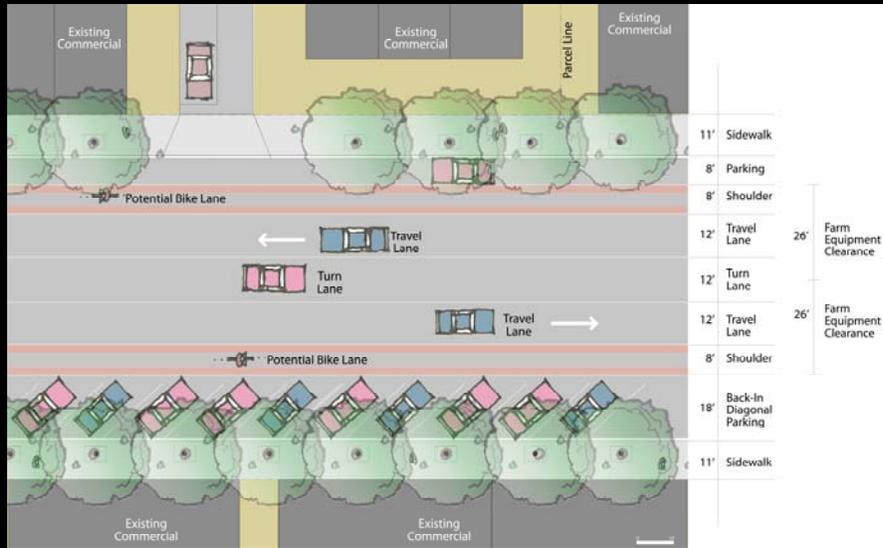
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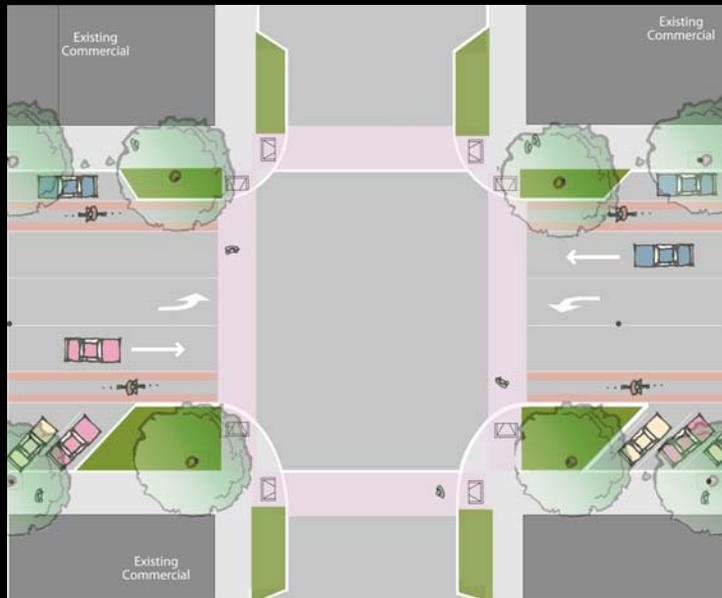
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## Progress Thus Far



## Next Steps

- MIG will produce Final Report - December, 2010
- City of Colusa will initiate the following:
  - ✓ Identify projects/phases
  - ✓ Secures project funding
  - ✓ Produce Environmental Document for improvements
  - ✓ City (or engineering consultant) to prepare Project Report for Caltrans review and approval
  - ✓ City (or engineering consultant) to prepare construction plans for Caltrans review and approval

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