

Welcome

Thank you for your interest in the Lincoln Road projects.

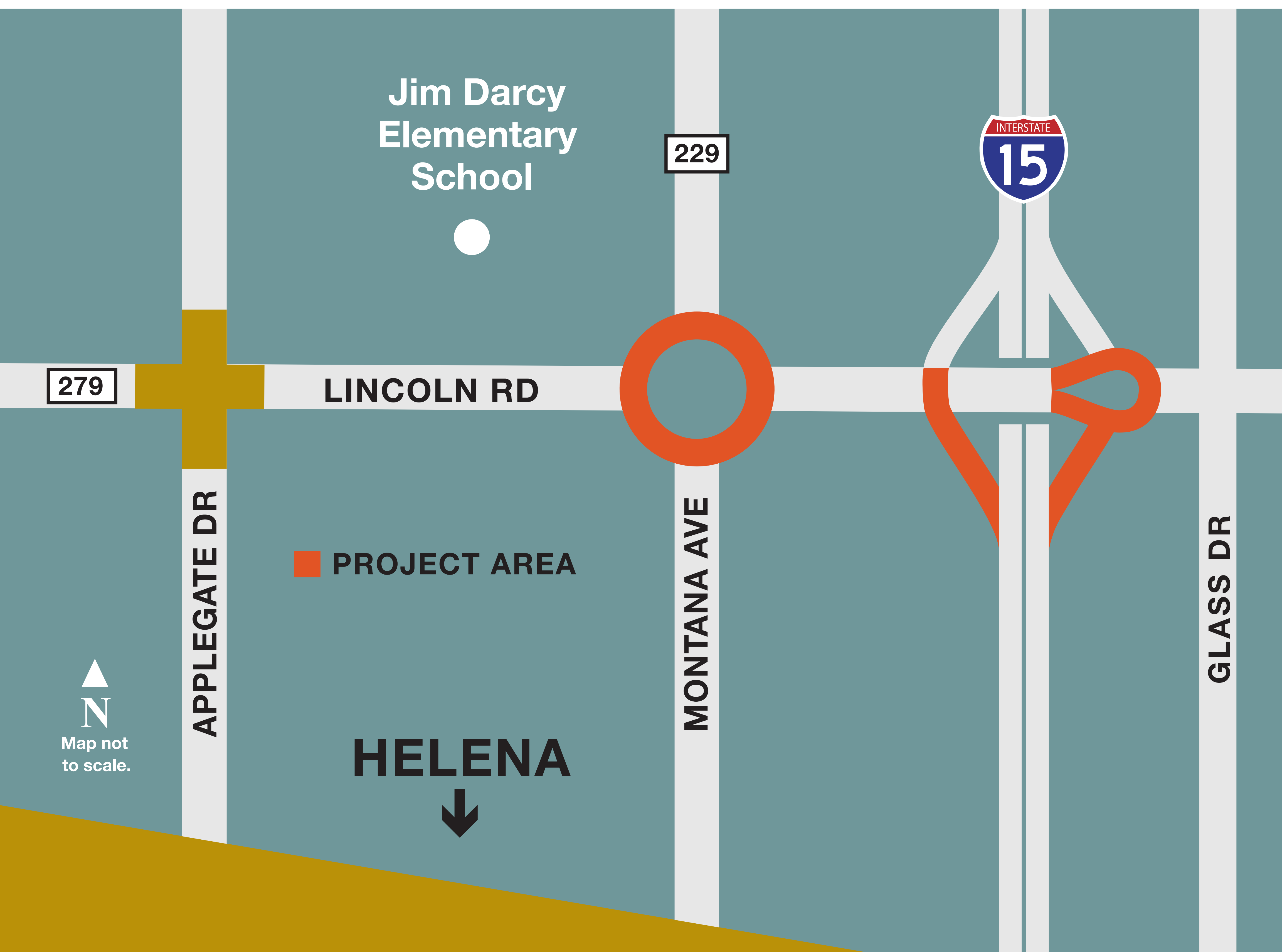
The purpose of today's meeting is to:

- Introduce the Lincoln — Applegate Intersection project
 - Discuss improvement options
 - Gather input
- Provide an update on the Lincoln Road: Montana to I-15 project

Lincoln Road: Montana to I-15

Project Purpose and Description

The Montana Department of Transportation is improving traffic operations and safety for the Lincoln Road corridor from North Montana Avenue through the Interstate 15 Lincoln Road Interchange. The project is located in Lewis and Clark County approximately six miles north of Helena.



Background

2013 – MDT began a traffic study to identify and evaluate potential traffic operation and safety improvements at the intersections on Lincoln Road at Montana Avenue and I-15. The traffic study identified and evaluated several intersection improvement options.

2014 – MDT presented traffic signal and roundabout improvement options to the public. Based on public input and additional engineering analysis, MDT identified a preferred alternative and concept design.

2017 – MDT presented the preferred alternative to the public for comment and review.

Process and Schedule

Project initiated and traffic study performed 2013 – 2014

Corridor improvement options presented to public Nov. 2014

Improvement options evaluated and alternative developed 2014 – 2017

Preferred alternative presented to public June 2017

Draft design presented to the public Dec. 2018

Design finalized and construction plans will be developed 2019 – 2021

Construction information presented to the public 2021

Construction anticipated (depending on funding) 2022

Existing and Future Conditions

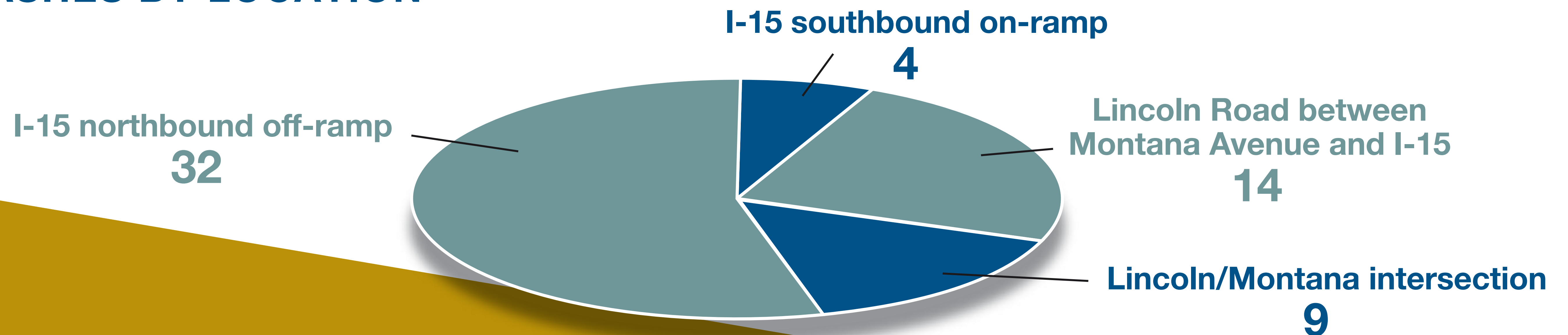
Traffic

- In 2016, 5,850 vehicles traveled daily on Lincoln Road between North Montana Avenue and the I-15 Lincoln Road Interchange.
- By 2040, the number of vehicles every day is projected to more than double to 13,050.

Safety

- From 2003 until 2013, a total of 59 crashes occurred within the project area. The majority of crashes were a rear end or right-angle collision.

CRASHES BY LOCATION



Project Area

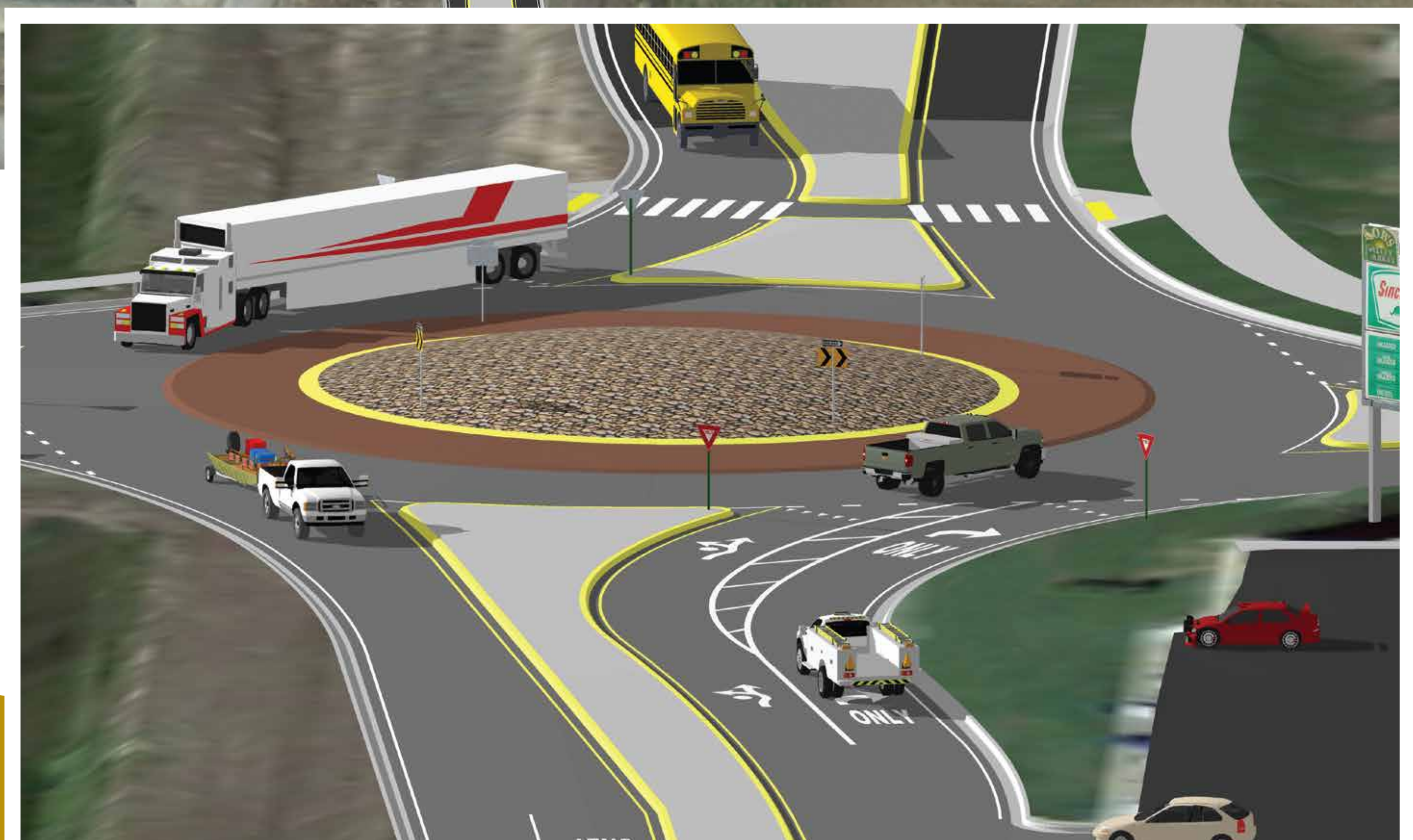
The Montana Department of Transportation is improving traffic operations and safety for the Lincoln Road corridor from North Montana Avenue through the Interstate 15 Lincoln Road Interchange.



Planned Improvements

Lincoln Road – North Montana Avenue Intersection

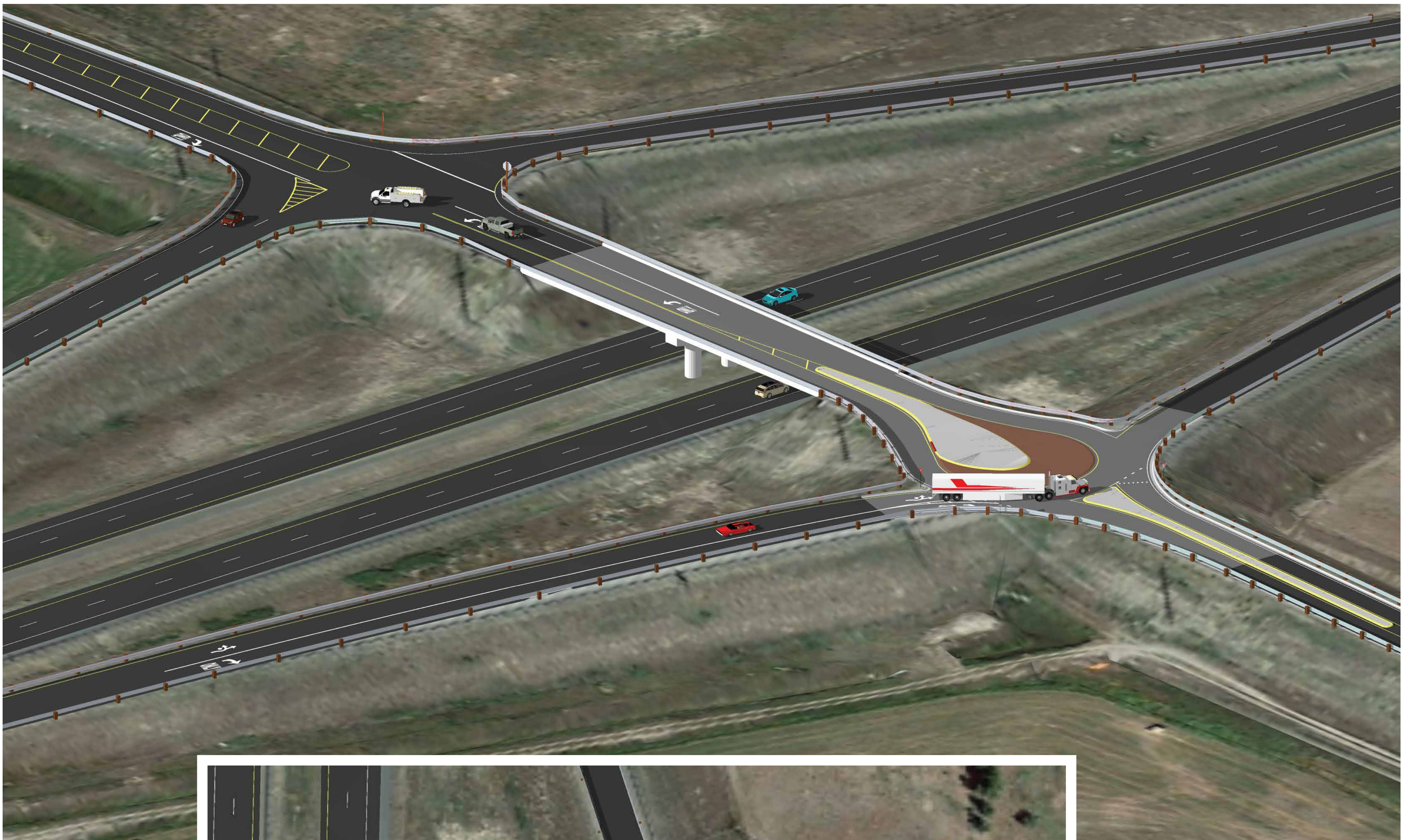
- A single-lane roundabout with a westbound right-turn bypass lane. The bypass lane will address the high amount of westbound-to-northbound right-turn movements during the evening rush hour.



Planned Improvements

Lincoln Road – I-15 Northbound Off-Ramp

- A single-lane roundabout with a right-turn bypass lane. The bypass lane will address the high amount of northbound to westbound traffic during the evening rush hour.



Planned Improvements

Lincoln Road – I-15 Southbound On-Ramp

- An additional eastbound right-turn bypass lane from Lincoln Road onto the I-15 southbound on-ramp.
- An additional lane on the southbound on-ramp.
- A westbound left-turn lane from Lincoln Road onto the I-15 southbound on-ramp.

The improvements will reduce the stacking of traffic on Lincoln Road during morning rush hour.



What's Next

MDT will:

- Finalize the design plans.
- Begin purchasing right-of-way.
- Develop construction plans.

Construction is anticipated to begin in 2022.

To stay up to date on the project, visit
www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/lincoln/





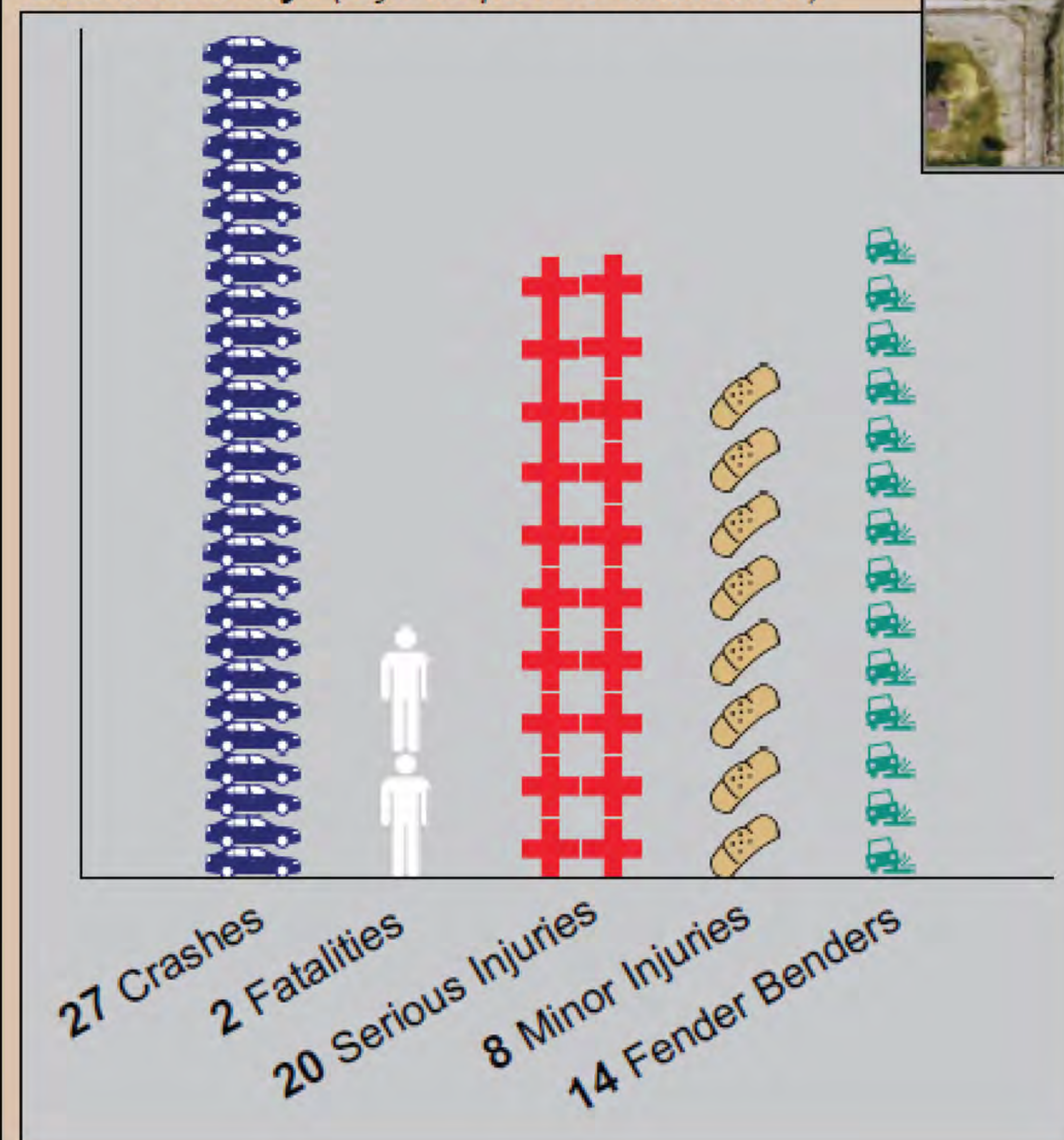
How do roundabouts improve safety in Montana

Canyon Ferry Road, Helena MT

BEFORE

2-Way Stop Controlled

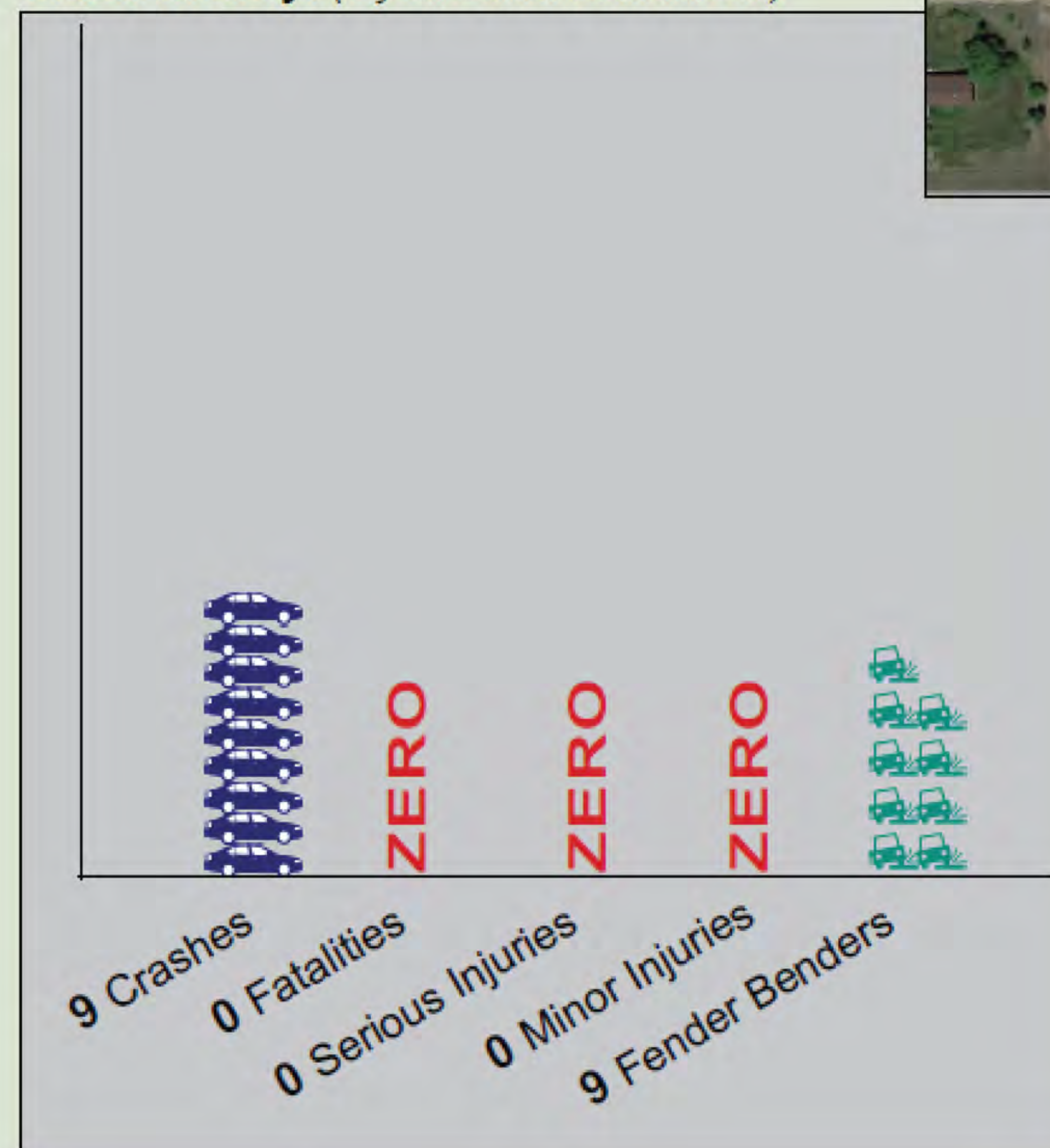
Crash History: (6 years prior to roundabout)



AFTER

Roundabout- Installed 2009

Crash History: (6 years after roundabout)



Source: Montana DOT

How to Stay Involved

Thank you for attending today's meeting. The Montana Department of Transportation appreciates your interest and feedback.

If you have additional questions or need further information, contact Brandon Coates, Public Involvement Manager.

Call: (406) 465-3350

Email: Brandon@rbcinc.net

Visit: www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/lincoln/



VISION ZERO
zero deaths · zero serious injuries
MONTANA DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION