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Why is MDT conducting access management?

Access management along the 57th Street and US 87/89 corridors in Great Falls is a **high priority** given activities at Malmstrom Air Force Base and other development planned in the area. MDT is addressing this as a first task in the study.

What is access management?

Access management helps preserve the function and character of highways by facilitating efficient traffic flow, improving safety, and consistently managing both existing and future access points to maintain mobility.





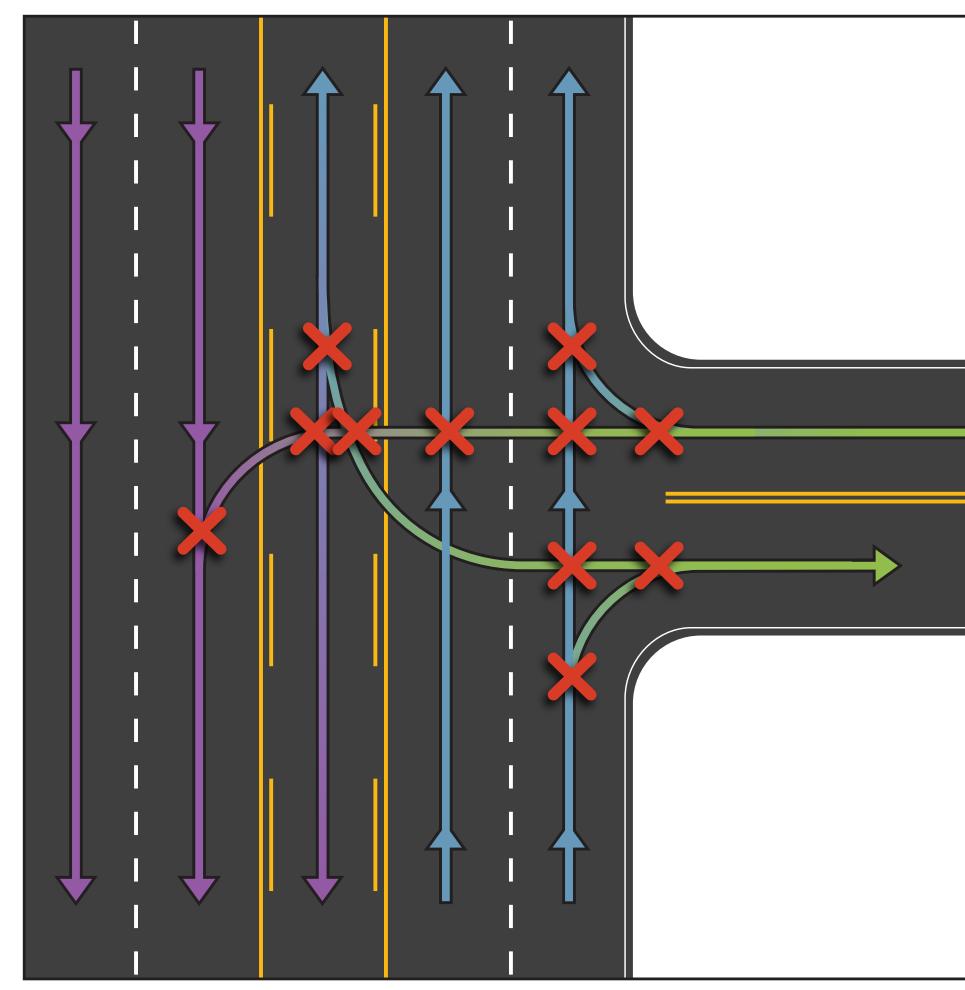


An Access Management Plan provides guidance as development, redevelopment, and new highway construction projects occur.

Access Management Principles

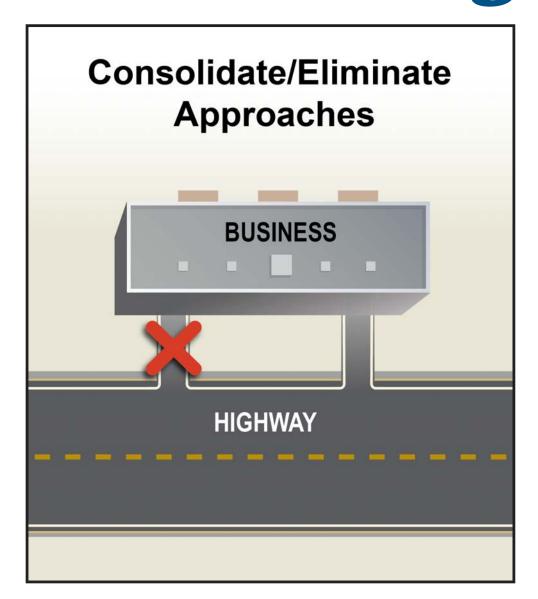
- ✓ Limit the number of conflict points
- ✓ Separate conflict points
- ✓ Improve roadway operations
- ✓ Improve driveway operations

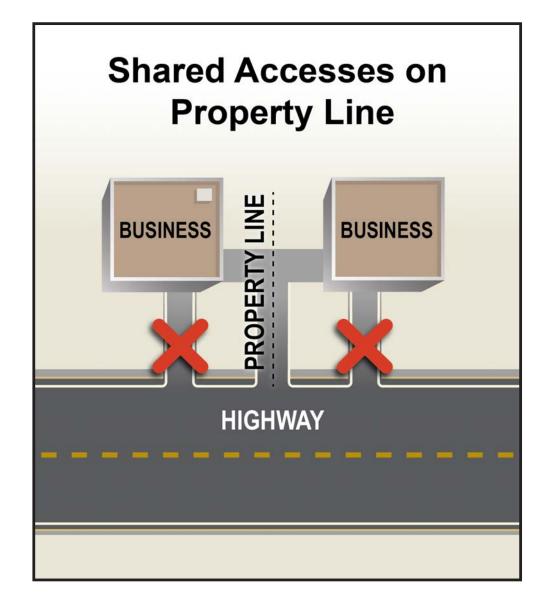
Conflict Points at T-Intersection on Example 5-Lane Roadway

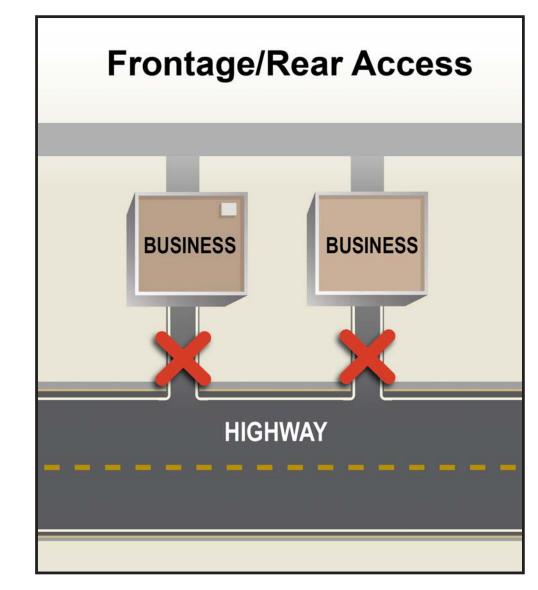


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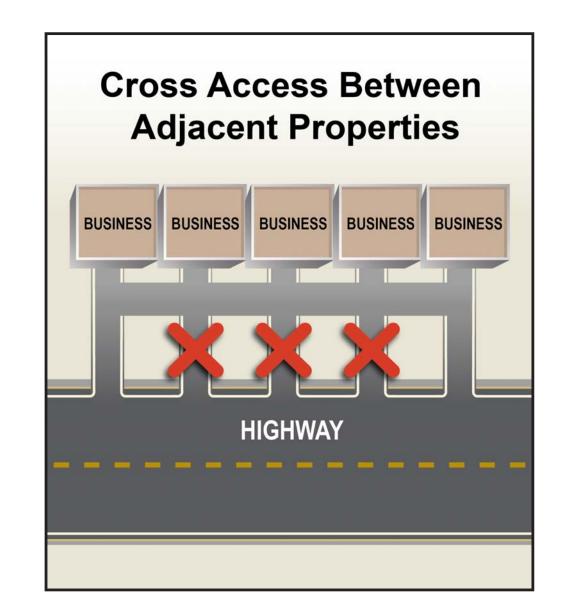
Access Management Methods













Access Management Recommendations

MDT has prepared an *Access Management Plan* for the 57th Street and US 87/89 corridors in Great Falls as a supplemental component to the *Central Montana Transportation Study*.



To review specific recommendations for these corridors and download the *Access Management Plan* visit:

www.mdt.mt.gov/pubinvolve/centralmt/

Access Management Implementation

Implementation of the *Access Management Plan* will occur over time based on:

- ✓ New development
- ✓ Changes in property status as owners redevelop or expand their current developments
- ✓ Local initiatives and partnerships with businesses, communities, and local governments
- ✓ Available funding

Currently there are **no planned state or federal construction projects or identified funding** with the sole purpose of implementing access management in the 57th Street and US 87/89 corridors in Great Falls.