

Airport Parkway and Lester Road Widening Environmental Assessment Study Presentation of the Recommended Plan

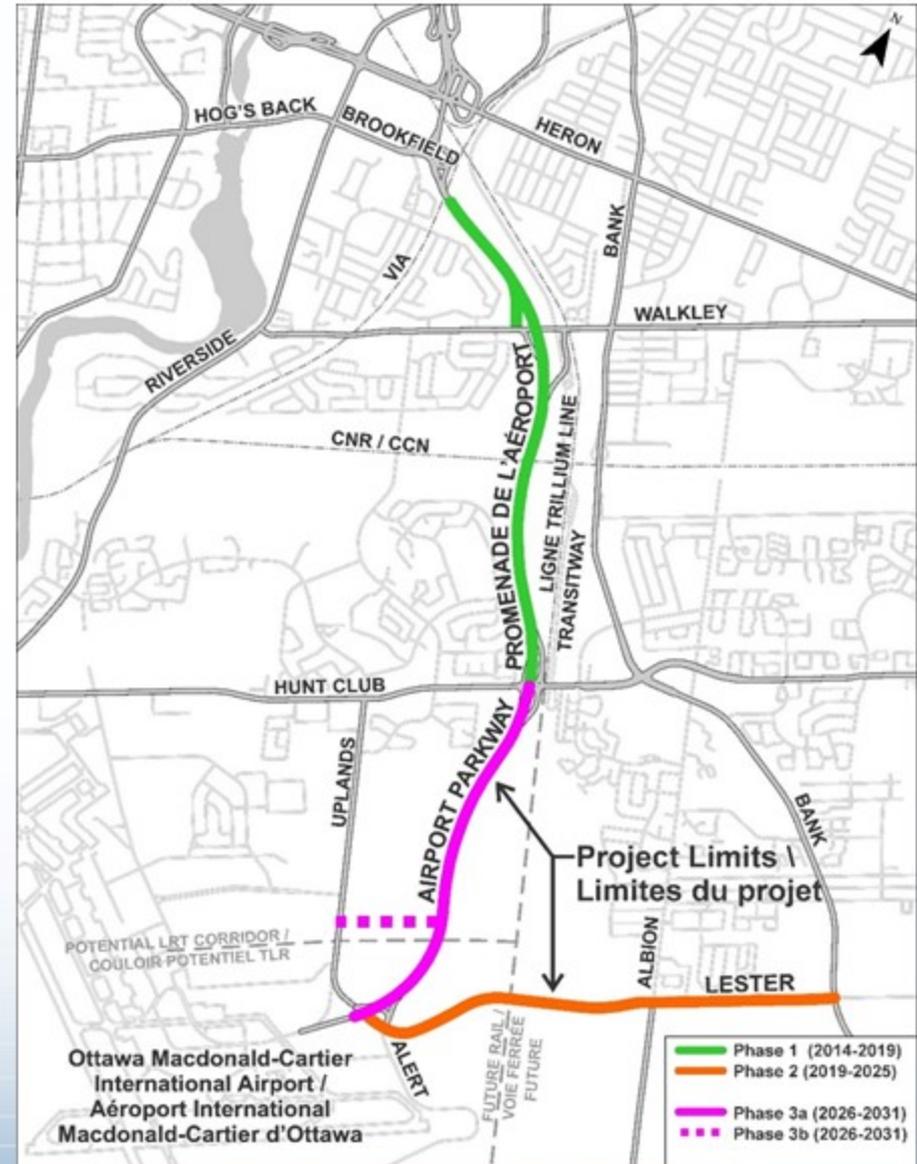
Public Open House #3
March 10, 2016

Presentation Outline

- Project Background
 - Project Need
 - Study Findings (June 2015)
- Public Feedback
- Design Refinements – Recommended Plan
- Next steps

Study Limits

- Airport Parkway from Brookfield Road to the Airport
- Lester Road from Airport Parkway to Bank Street
- New road link from Airport Parkway to Uplands Drive



Study Findings – June 2015

- Widen Airport Parkway from 2 to 4 lanes
- Include a southbound off-ramp at Walkley Road
- Add a multi-use pathway along west side of Airport Parkway
- Provide a roadway connection to Uplands Drive
- Widen Lester Road from 2 to 4 lanes
- Add a multi-use pathway along north side of Lester Road

Public Feedback - Topics

- Need for road widenings
- Need for Walkley off-ramp
- Airport Parkway alignment north of Walkley Road
- Liveability conditions along Walkley Road
- Noise Implications

Project Need

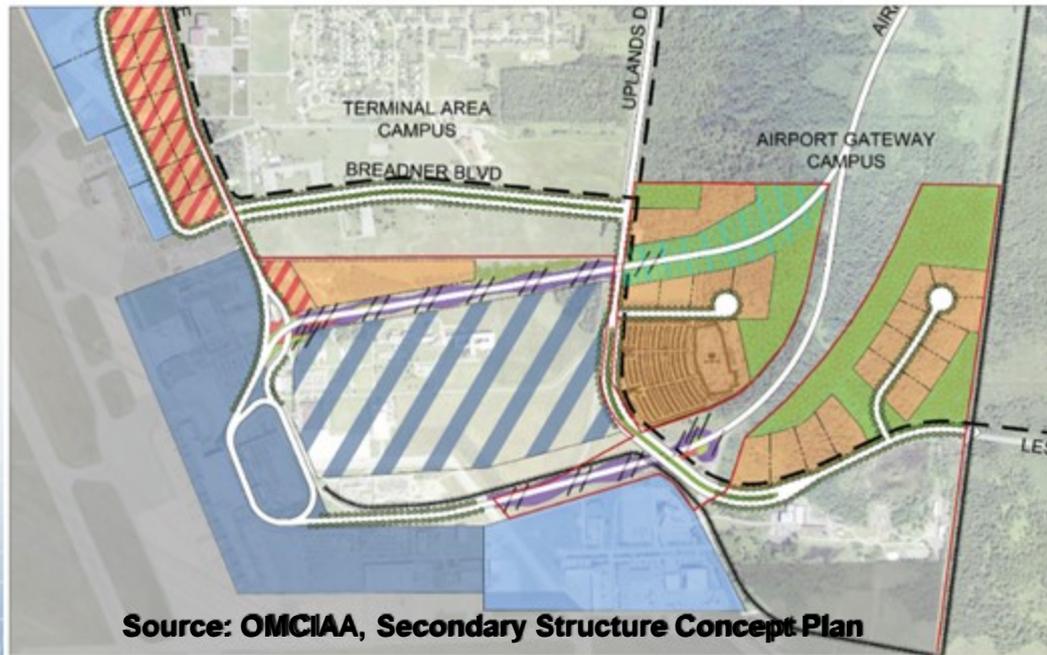
Even with planned investments in rapid transit, the need for the project has been confirmed. It will lead to:

- Reduced Congestion
- Improved Travel Time
- Increased Dependability



Project Need

- Greater Network Dependability
- Improved Safety
- Supported Development



Source: OMCIAA, Secondary Structure Concept Plan

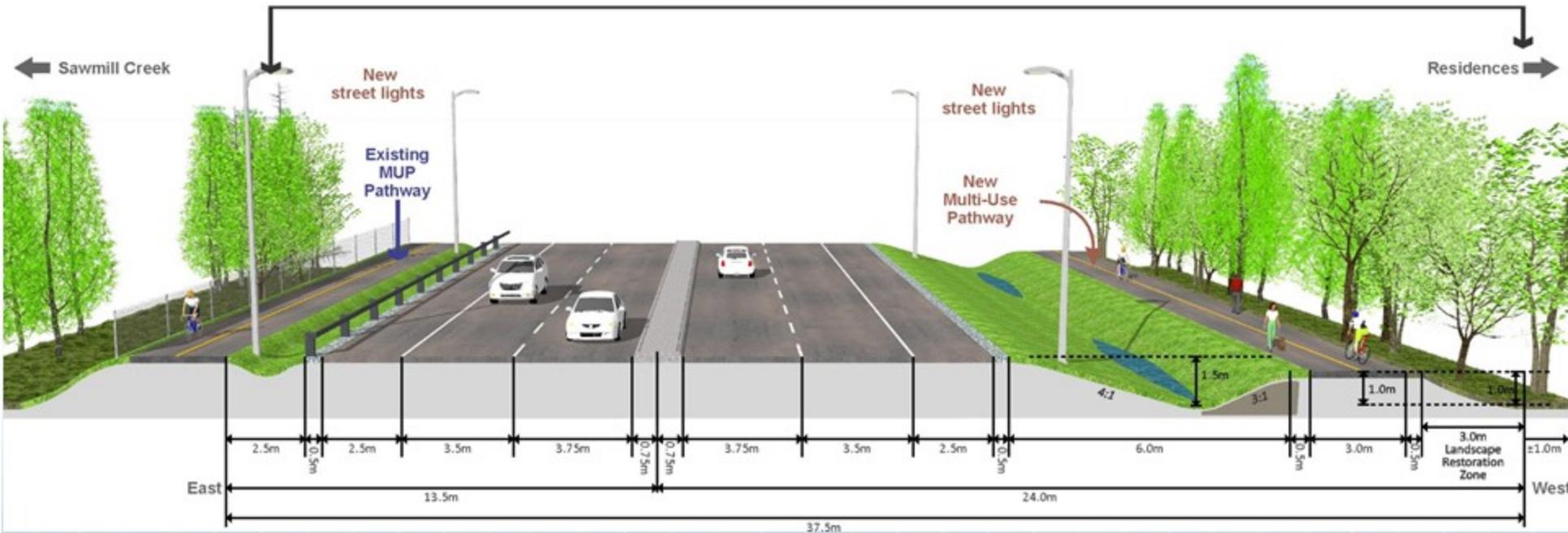
Need for Walkley Off-Ramp

- Increased community connectivity and route choice
- Reduced neighbourhood cut-through traffic
- Improved Emergency Service Vehicle access to the communities

Recommended Plan: Airport Parkway - Brookfield to Walkley

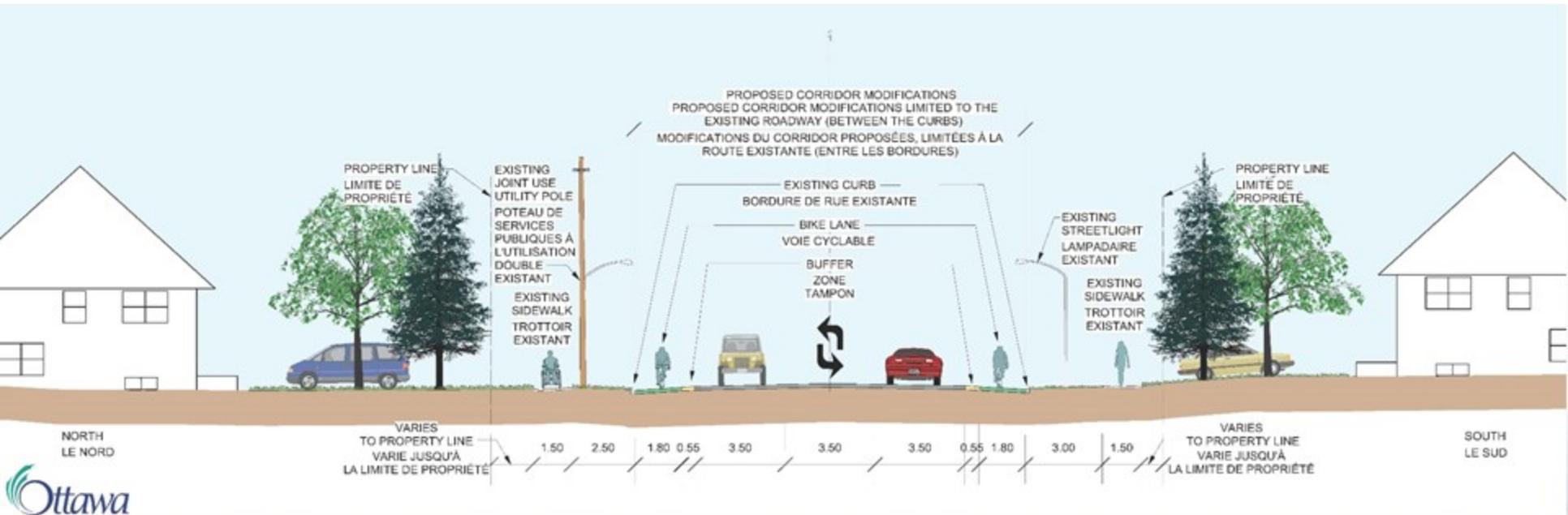
- Shift to the east

View Looking South
New Corridor Infrastructure



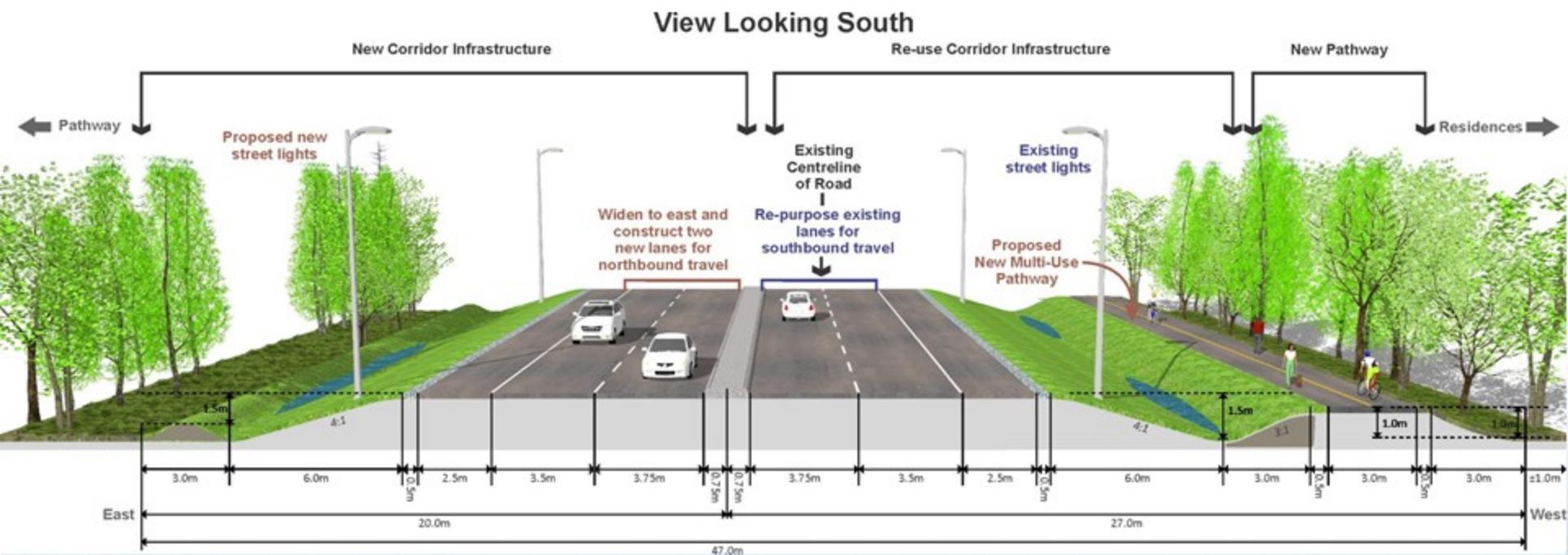
Recommended Plan: Modifications to Walkley Road

Walkley Road: Typical Cross-Section Looking East



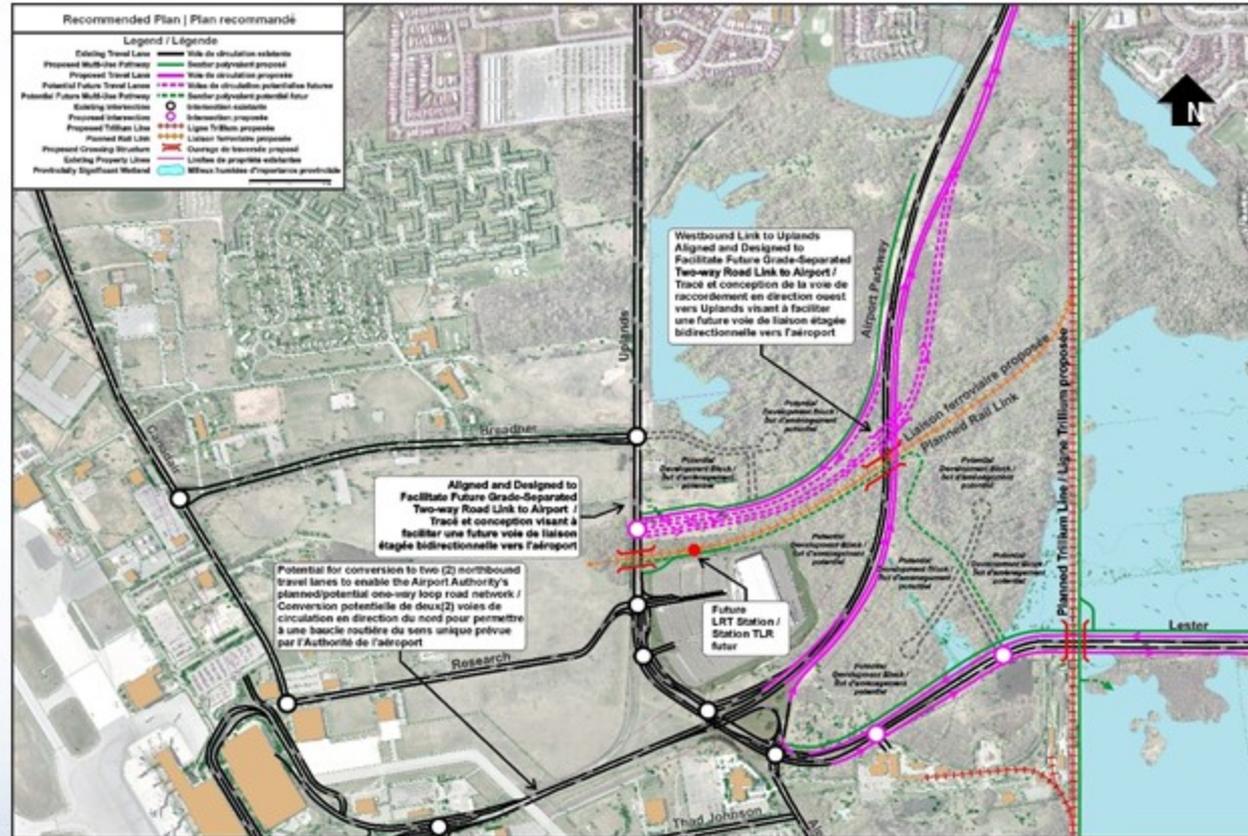
Recommended Plan: Airport Parkway - Walkley to Hunt Club

- Widen to the east



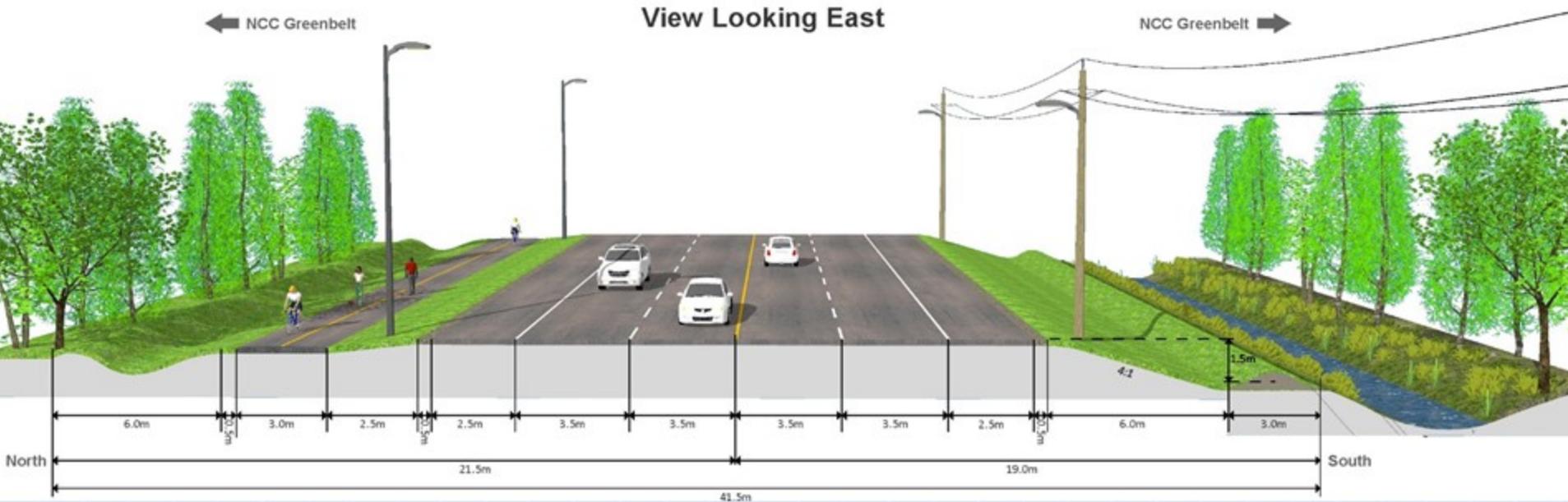
Recommended Plan: Airport Area

- Use existing interchange
- Provide new link to Uplands Drive
- Integrate with rail connection to the Airport



Recommended Plan: Lester Road - Trillium Line to Albion

- Avoid Alexander Drain



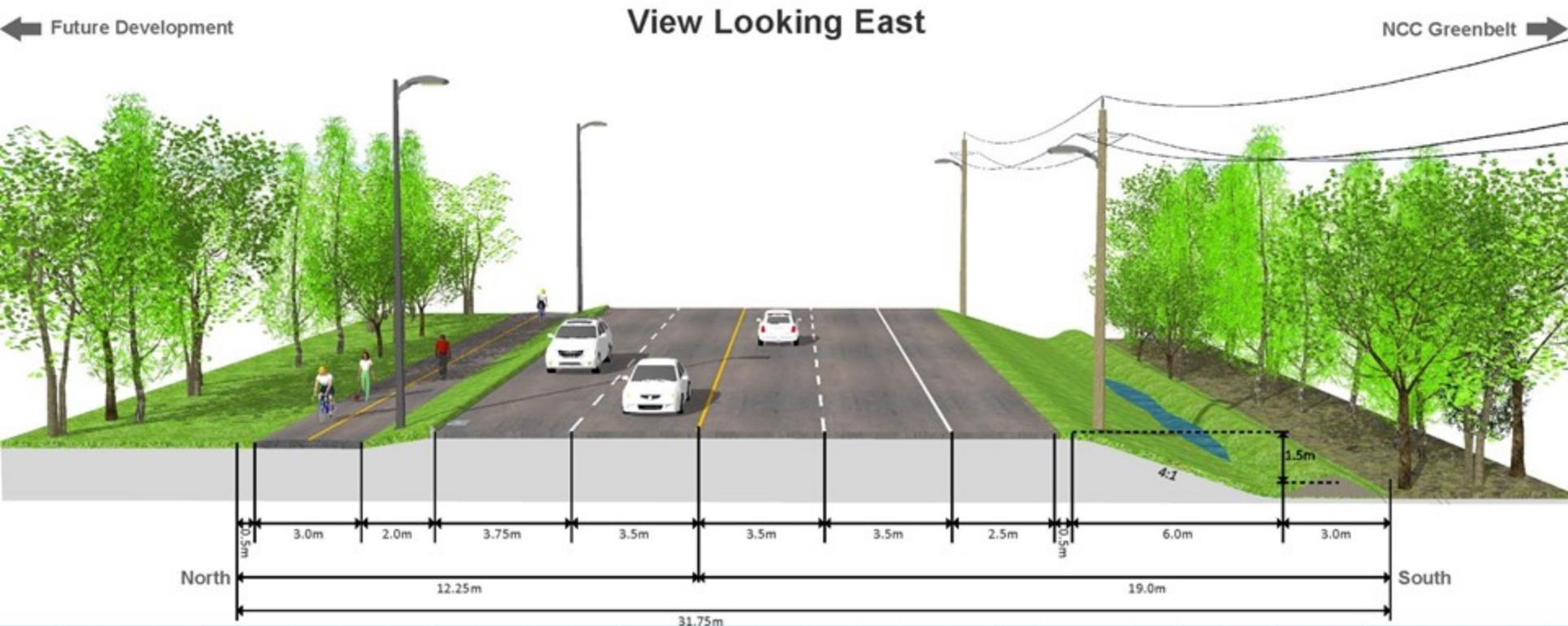
Recommended Plan: Lester Road - Albion to Meandering Brook

- Avoid Sawmill Creek



Recommended Plan: Lester Road - Meandering Brook to Bank

- Follow Right-of-Way

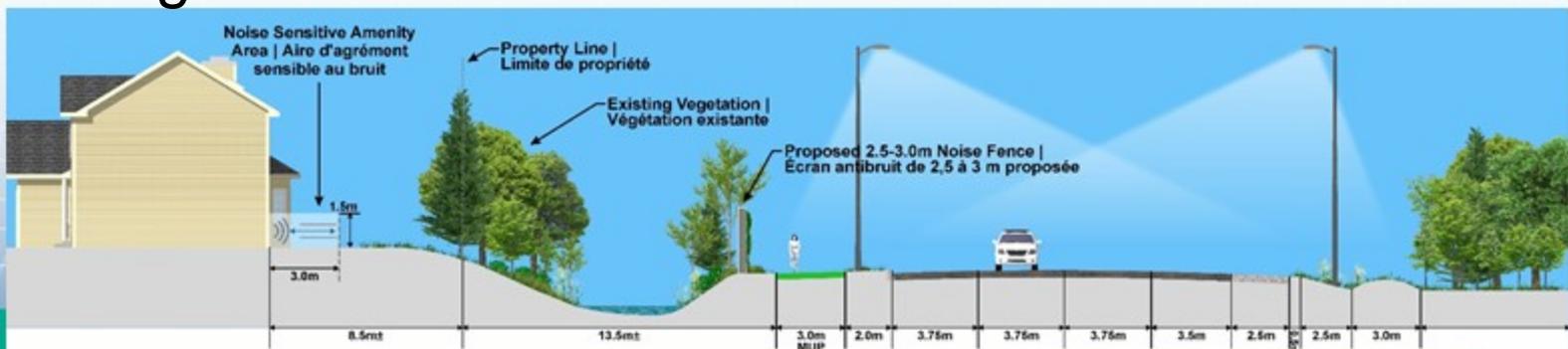


Recommended Plan: Noise Mitigation

- Where warranted, noise mitigation measures are proposed:
 - Along the Airport Parkway Corridor



- Along the Lester Road Corridor



Recommended Plan: Managing Impacts on Greenbelt and Natural Heritage

- Apply “no net loss” principle:
 - Compact footprint
 - Wildlife crossings, exclusion fencing
 - Ditch drainage with quality and quantity control
 - Landscaping enhancements
 - Species at Risk Assessment prior to construction



Next Steps

- Project Start-up: September 2014
- CGM's #1 December 2014
- Public Open House #1 (Preferred Solution) January 2015
- Consultation Group Meetings #2 June 2015
- Public Open House #2 (Pre. Preferred Design) June 17, 2015
- Consultation Group Meetings #3 March 1 & 2, 2016
- Public Open House #3 (Recommended Plan) March 10, 2016
- Transportation Committee and Council May 2016
- Environmental Study Report on Public Review June 2016

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