

## MO 94 & Route D Traffic Study

Presentation of Final Study

April 22, 2022



## Agenda

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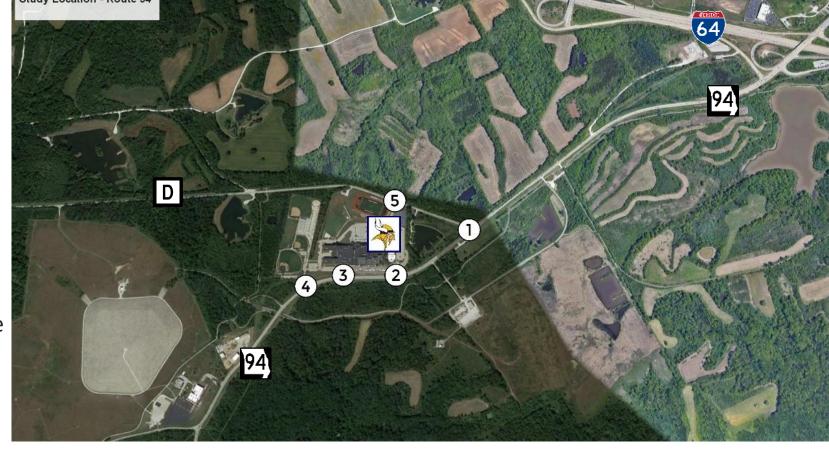


# **Study Overview**



### **Study Area Limits**

- 1. MO 94 & MO D
- 2. MO 94 & Francis Howell HS east entrance
- 3. MO 94 & Francis Howell HS central entrance
- 4. MO 94 & Francis Howell HS west entrance
- 5. MO D & Francis Howell north entrance





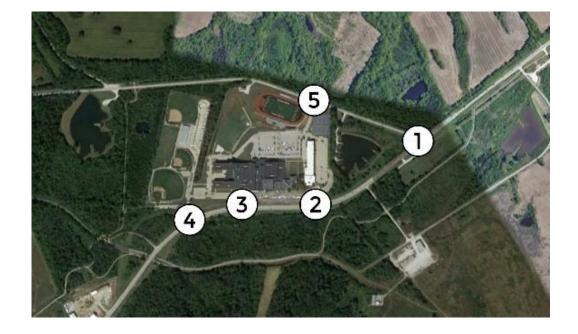
#### Study Area Issues

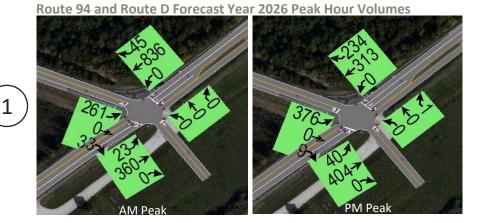
- High amount of demand in short amount of time
  - Substantial queuing and delay westbound Rt 94 in morning
  - Queuing on Rt D
- Illegal (unsafe) left turn movements at the north school entrance
- Tight radii eastbound Rt D entering north entrance
- Future regional growth west on Rt 94





#### **Existing Conditions**





2 337 2-527 381-AM Peak 30-7 416-> PM Peak

Route 94 and East Entrance Forecast Year 2026 Peak Volumes





#### Project tasks:

- Existing Conditions Analysis
- Traffic Forecasts (2026)
- Future No-Build Operational Analysis
- Developed and Analyzed 4 Alternatives
- Discussed Alternatives with MoDOT staff
- Refined Alternative 3 with an option based on staff comment
- Selected Preferred Alternative
- Refined concept for Preferred Alternative, developed Opinion of Probable Cost



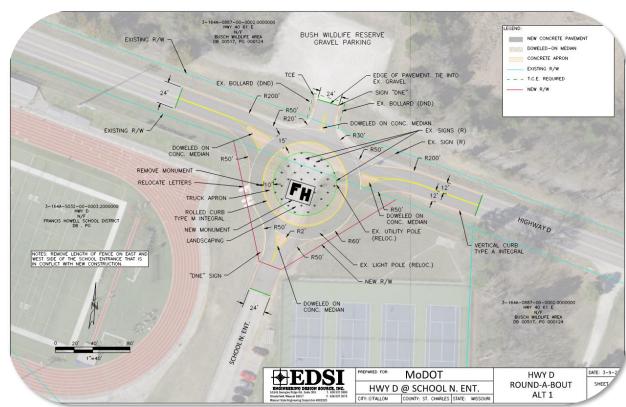
# **Concept Alternatives**



#### Alternative 1: Roundabout at Rt D/Rear Entrance



- Roundabouts are safer than signals
- Improves lane utilization on westbound 94 approaching D
- Worst-performing alternative, but still operates acceptably



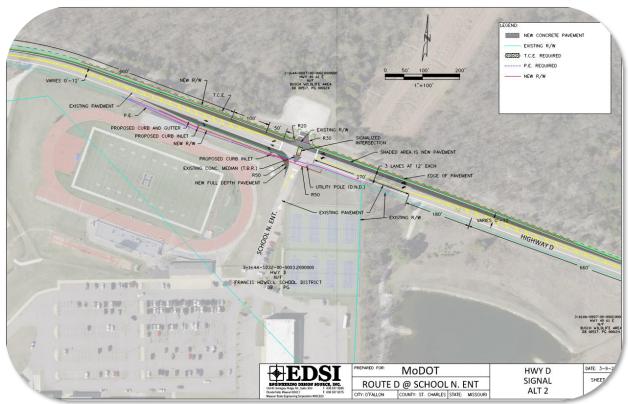
- ROW impacts to school property to avoid Busch Wildlife property/environmental impacts
- Does not achieve proper deflection on westbound approach entering roundabout
- Did not address queue on D approaching 94



## Alternative 2: Signal at Rt D/Rear, Dual lefts at 94/D



- More use of rear entrance gives better circulation options
- Improves lane utilization on westbound 94 approaching D
- Reduces delay and queuing on southbound D turning onto 94
- Operates acceptably
- Turn lanes and signal are warranted per MUTCD



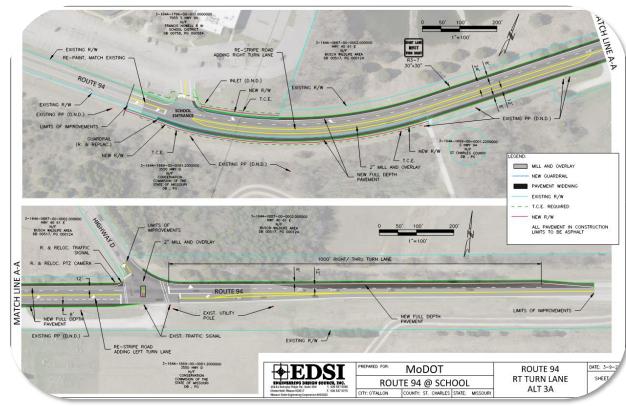
- Estimated ROW impacts to school property and Busch Wildlife property
- Right turn lane gets closer to stadium bleachers



## Alternative 3: 2<sup>nd</sup> Through on Westbound Rt 94



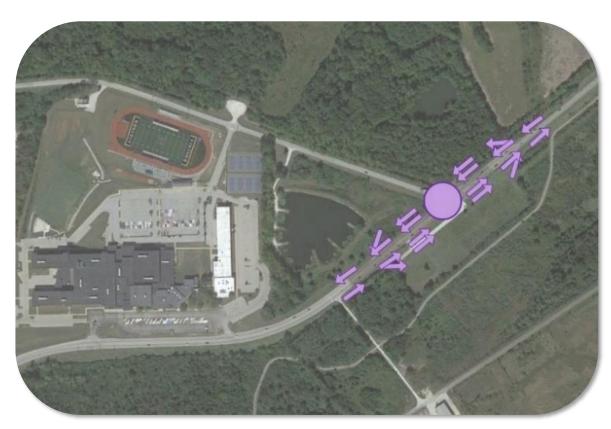
- Keeps all improvements within existing ROW
- Improves lane utilization on westbound 94 approaching D
- Operates acceptably



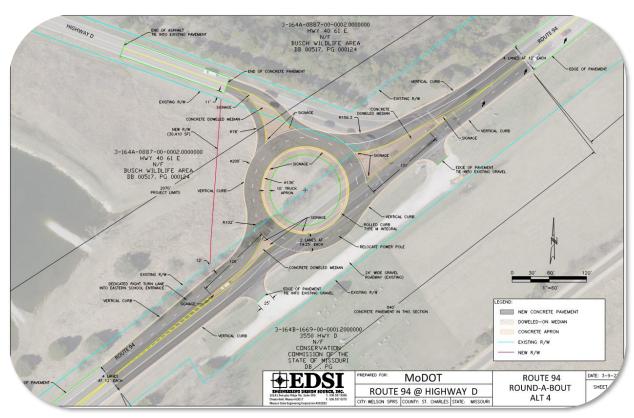
- May still get drivers making illegal left turns at north entrance
- Did not address queue on D approaching 94
- Not easily apparent to sporadic drivers of 94 that 2<sup>nd</sup> lane ends at east school entrance; may increase merging/weaving



#### Alternative 4: Roundabout at 94/D



- Improvements are limited to a single intersection
- Operates acceptably



- ROW impacts to Busch Wildlife Area
- Complexity of dual lane roundabout may prove to be less safe than signal
- Dual lane roundabout may be difficult to nagivate for novice drivers
- Difficult to achieve proper deflection on eastbound 94 due to cemetery parking lot/drive aisle



# Preferred Alternative

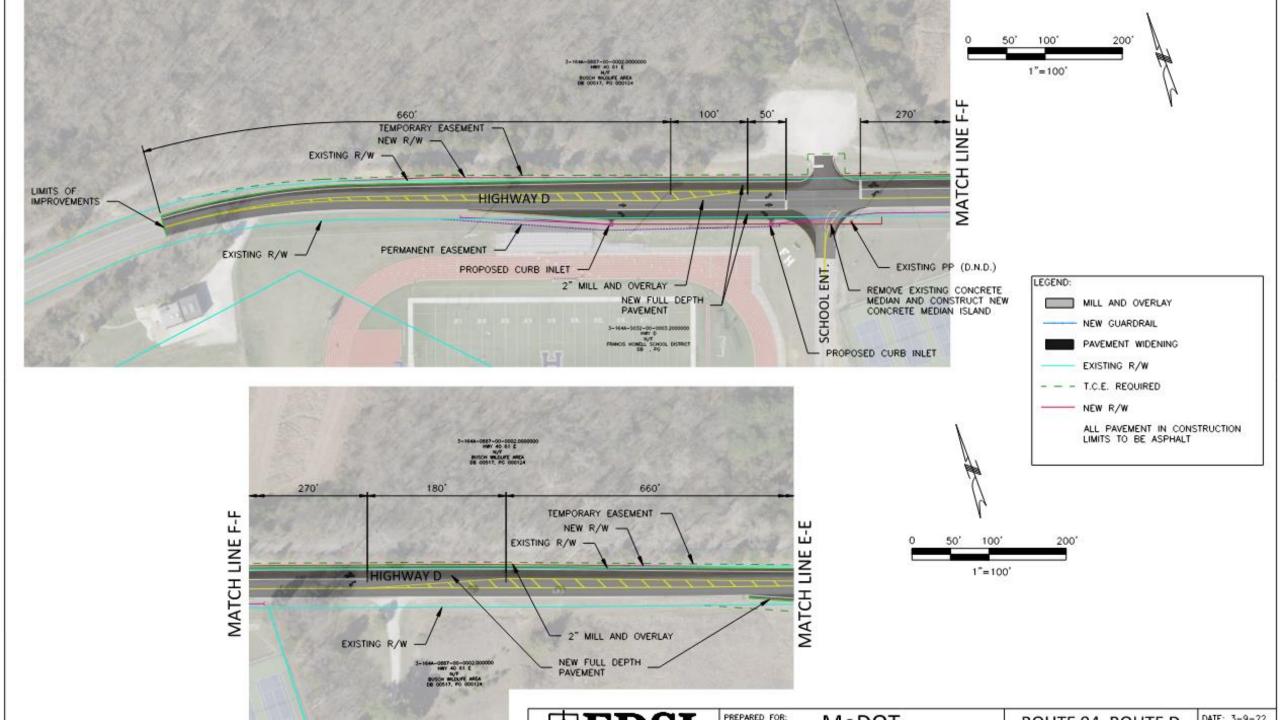


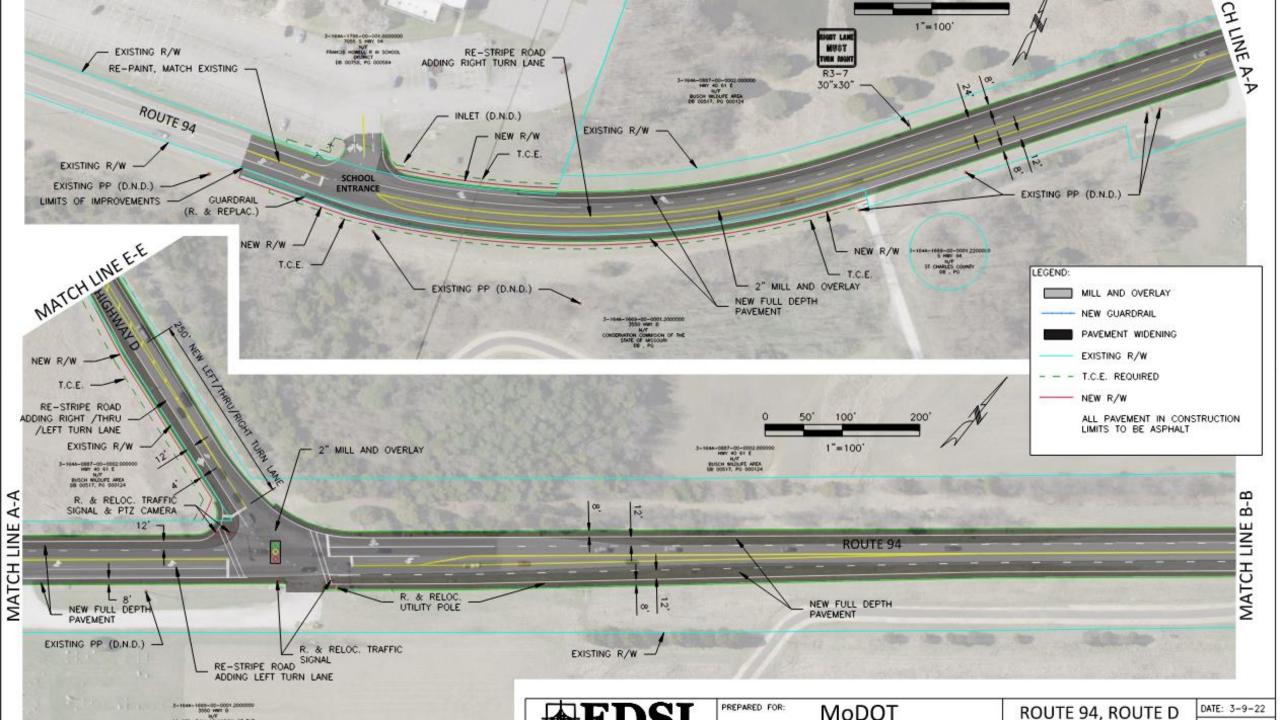
#### Alternative 3B: 2<sup>nd</sup> Through, Dual SB lefts, LI/RI/RO in Rear

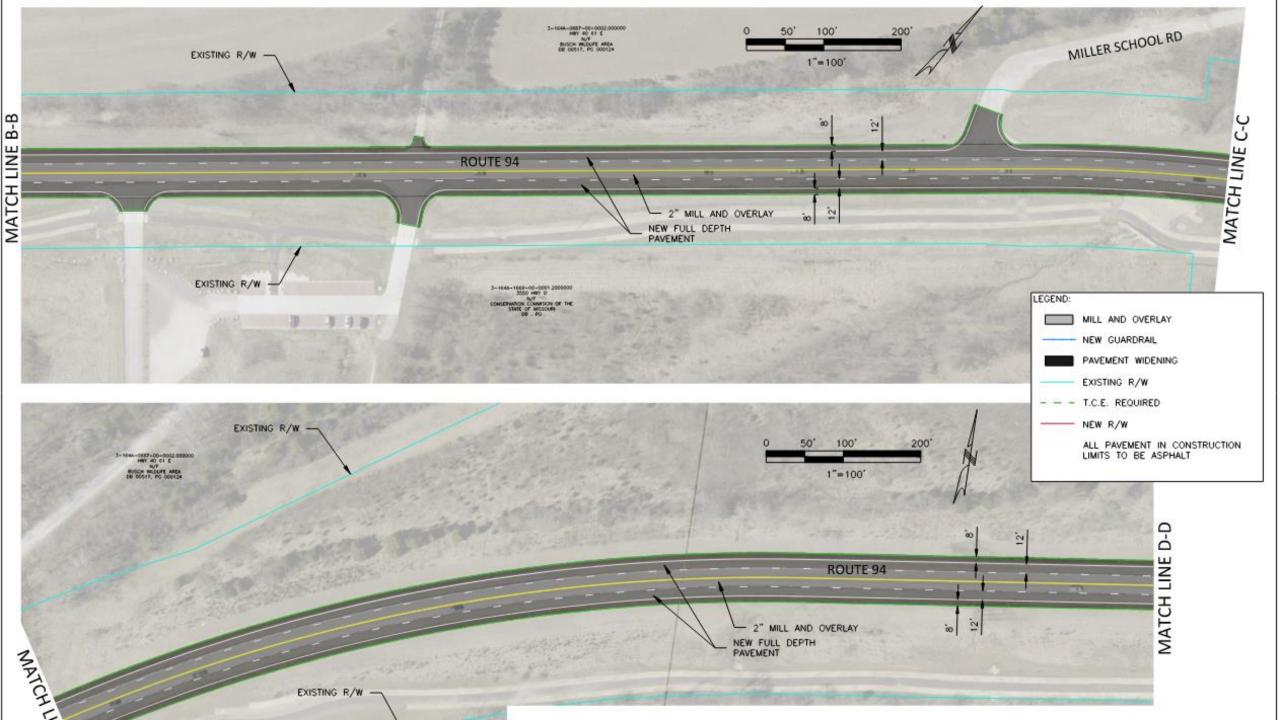


- Used Alternative 3 as a base
- Improvements:
  - Converted westbound right on 94 to shared through/right, continued to east school entrance
  - Added 2<sup>nd</sup> southbound left turn bay on Rt D at 94
  - Extended four lane section to I-64
  - Rear entrance converted to left-in/right-in/right-out and added eastbound right and westbound left turn bays
    - Improved eastbound radii entering the school









Preliminary Opinion of Probable Cost: \$5,200,000



# Discussion/ Questions

# **Next Steps**



## **Next Steps**

- MoDOT to find funding opportunities
- Get project on STIP
  - Start design at that point
  - Detailed design, ROW, surveying
- Estimated timeline depends on funding, environmental clearances



# Thank you!

