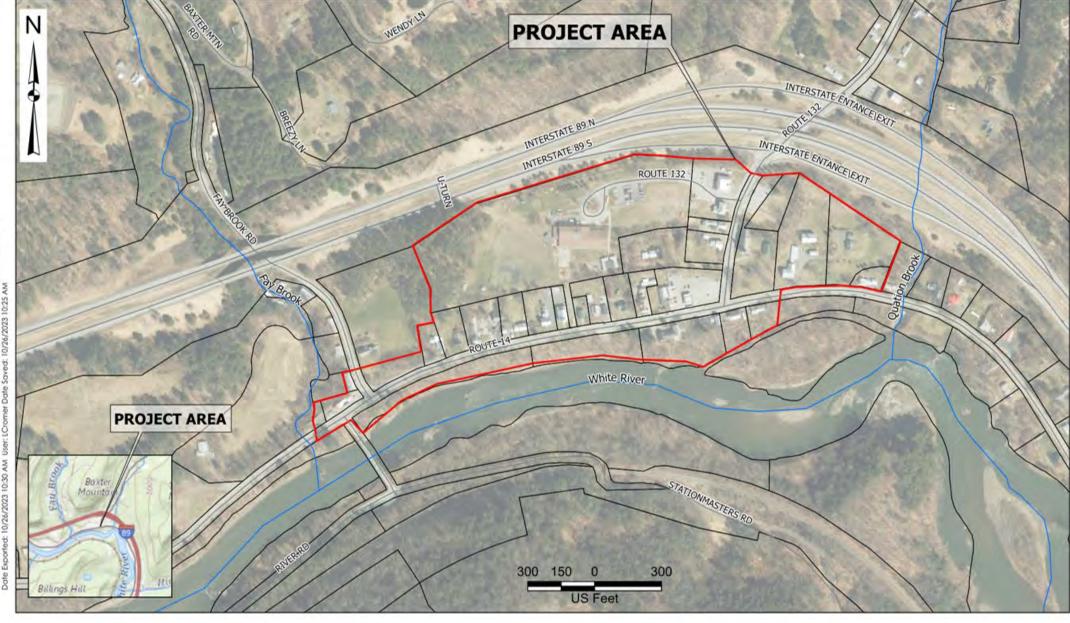
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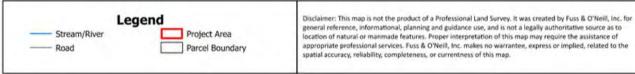


**Sharon, VT Project Definition** Sharon TAP TA23(8) **Alternatives Presentation Meeting** 

Presented by: Nicole Fox, PE October 21, 2024







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PROJECT BASE MAP Sharon Village Sidewalk Scoping Study

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PROJ. No. 20230005.S01 DATE: OCTOBER 2023 FIGURE 1

## Background

- Town of Sharon initiated the project in collaboration with Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) and Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans)
- Town hired Fuss & O'Neill to conduct a scoping study for the Village to improve pedestrian and bicycle mobility and safety

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Study is following VTrans' Project Development
Process for Project Definition

# **Project Team**

- Rita Seto, AICP TRORC, Municipal Project Manager
- Nicola Shipman Town of Sharon
- Derek Kenison VTrans Project Manager
- Nicole Fox, PE Fuss & O'Neill Project Manger
- Jacob Fowler, EIT Fuss & O'Neill Project Engineer



## **Alternatives Presentation Meeting Overview**

- - Review project development process
  - Discuss alternatives developed for pedestrian accessibility
  - Gather feedback on alternatives
  - Solicit endorsement of Preferred Alternative



# **Project Development Process**

- 1. Project Definition
- 2. Project Design
- 3. Construction



# **Project Definition**

- 1. Data Collection
- 2. Local Concerns Meeting
- 3. Purpose and Need Statement
- 4. Alternatives Development
- 5. Alternatives Presentation Meeting and Acceptance
- 6. Scoping Report and Concept Designs

# **Project Schedule**

- Kickoff Meeting October 2023
- Local Concerns Meeting November 2023
- Alternatives Presentation Meeting October 2024
- Draft Scoping Report November 2024
- Final Scoping Report January 2025



# **Purpose and Need Statement**

### **Purpose**

To develop, design, and implement improvements to increase the safety and mobility of pedestrians and bicyclists, and increase areas to be safely accessed by these users.

### Need

- Defined and ADA compliant sidewalks and crosswalks
- Reduce vehicle speeds to make walking and biking safer



### **Alternatives**

### Alternative 1 – No Build

### Alternative 2 – Sidewalk, Bike Shoulders, 3-way Stop

Alternative 3 – Sidewalk, Truck Aprons









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SCALE IN FEET

SHEET 2 OF 6

#### ALTERNATIVE 2 SHARON TAP TA23(8) PEDESTRIAN ACCESSIBILITY SCOPING STUDY





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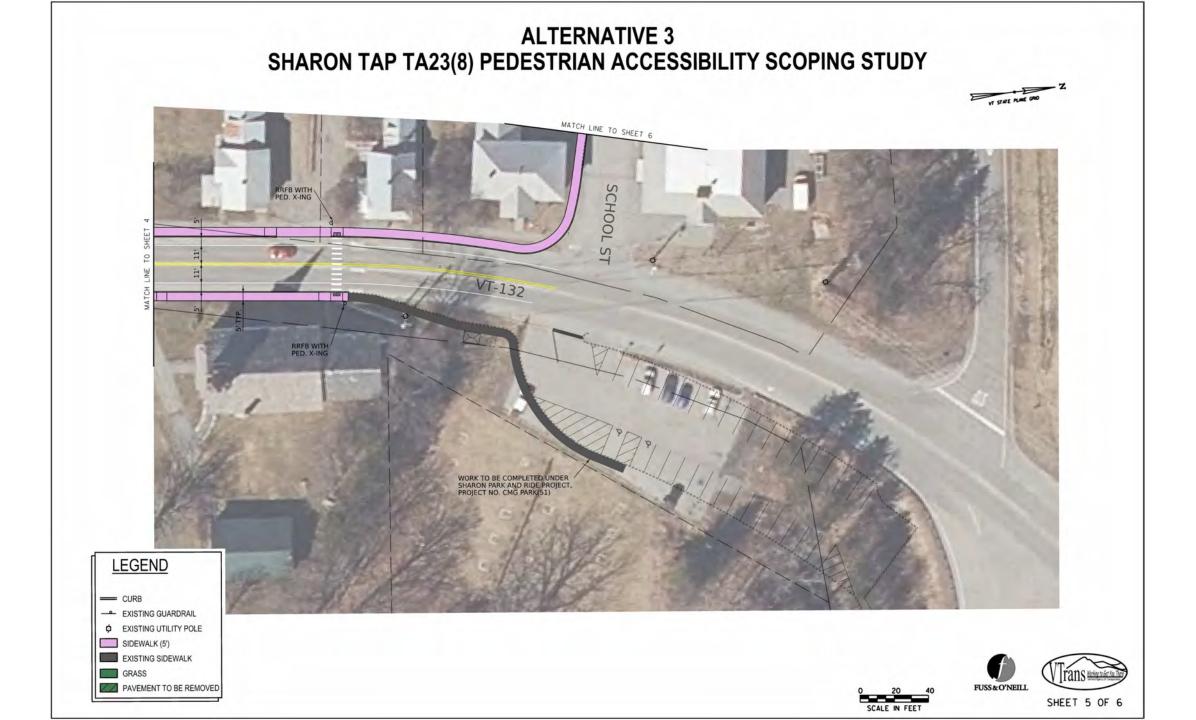




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# Flashing Beacons and Signs

### Flashing Beacon (RRFB) Cost

- Approximately \$20,000 per crosswalk
- Alternative: rebounding sign



# **Sidewalk Materials**

### Concrete

- Durable, stable
- More expensive than asphalt
- Can be colored and/or stamped
- Lasts up to 50 years
- Recommended material

### Asphalt

- Costs less than concrete
- Can be stamped and coated
- Easier to repair
- Lasts up to 20 years







#### Evaluation Matrix - Sharon Village Sidewalk Scoping Study

	Alternative 1 No Build	Alternative 2 Asphalt Sidewalk	Alternative 2 Concrete Sidewalk	Alternative 3 Asphalt Sidewalk	Alternative 3 Concrete Sidewalk
Estimated Costs	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$1,900,000	\$1,400,000	\$2,000,000
Cost: Right-of-Way	None	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Pedestrian Safety/Accessibility	No Change	Significant Improvement	Significant Improvement	Significant Improvement	Significant Improvement
Bike Safety/Accessibility	No Change	No Change	No Change	Moderate Improvement	Moderate Improvement
Impacts: Historic Properties	None	Minimal	Minimal	Minimal	Minimal
Impacts: Archeological	None	Potential	Potential	Potential	Potential
Impacts: Wetlands	None	None	None	None	None
Impacts: Utilities	None	Yes - Pole Relocation	Yes - Pole Relocation	Yes - Pole Relocation	Yes - Pole Relocation
Impacts: Parking	None	Moderate Reduction	Moderate Reduction	Moderate Reduction	Moderate Reduction



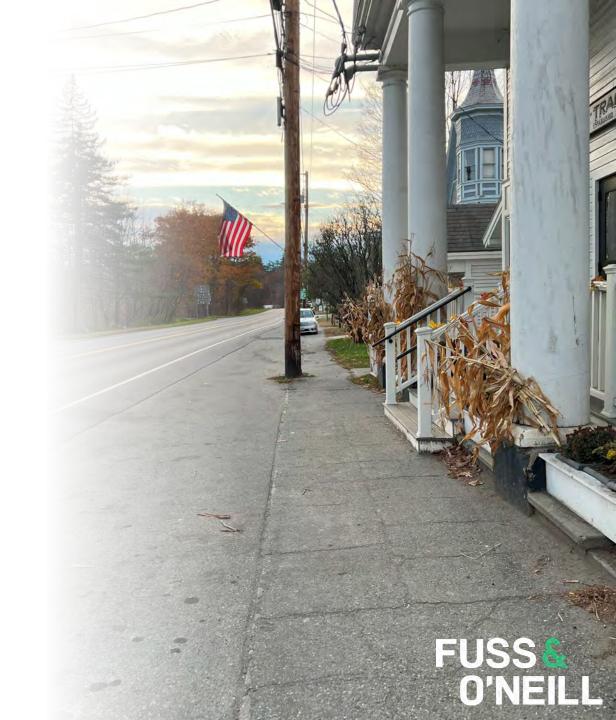
# **Next Steps**

### **Project Definition**

- Draft Scoping Report
- Select Preferred Alternative
  - Does not require Town to move forward beyond scoping process
- Final Scoping Report

**Project Design & Construction** 

• Apply for design/construction grant for implementation



# Questions and Comments



# Thank You

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