

Chapter Four – Formulating a Fit

The improvements developed for the US-56 Corridor Management Plan are shown on the following exhibits. Given the varying nature of the corridor, US-56 has been divided into the *highway* segments, reflecting the rural nature of the corridor, and *arterial* segments, coinciding to the changes in and around the cities.

In the rural *highway segments*, the proposed improvements to US-56 include changes to access, improvements to the cross-sections of the roadway (including shoulders and additional turning lanes in key locations) as well as proposed vertical alignment changes. Given there are numerous unknowns in how construction may occur and the final grading limits of design, potential right-of-way envelopes were identified to reflect an area in which there may be impact. Further alignment studies and preliminary engineering will be required to identify the future right-of-way in greater detail.

In the *arterial segments*, proposed improvements are also indicated; however, vertical alignment changes have not been identified. With the lower speeds and urbanized nature of US-56 in the cities, there is not anticipated to be any significant grade changes. Given the limited changes in vertical alignment combined with the use of an enclosed storm sewer system, a greater certainty can be placed on identifying future right-of-way. In the arterial segments, the potential future right-of-way is shown with a greater confidence. For cross-streets, the potential future city right-of-way is also shown.

Several pieces of information have been provided on these exhibits, including the spacing of driveway and public streets (adjacent and to opposite sides of the highway), parcel boundaries adjacent to US-56, as well as driveways and/or intersections anticipated to be removed or relocated.

In general, the plans shown indicate a concept of "No New Access", except at public streets. New development, or redevelopment, will be looked at to provide access to US-56 through an existing public street, adjacent to the development, or through the planning and development of a local street network in areas with limited existing options. The subdividing of parcels, each with its own access onto US-56, will generally not be permitted.









