



*North Carolina Highway Safety
Improvement Program (HSIP)*

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NC HSIP

The Purpose of the NC Highway Safety Improvement Program

- **Implement Effective Safety Projects**
 - **Reduce Fatalities and Injuries**
 - **Maximize Value (lower cost with high returns)**



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2016 NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



TRAFFIC SAFETY SYSTEMS SECTION

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



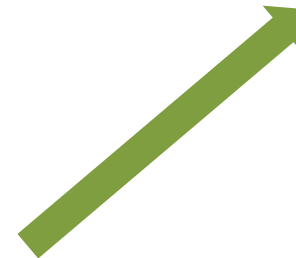
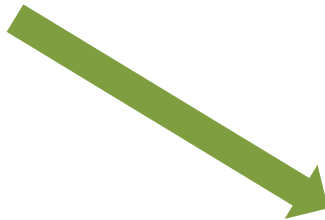
2014 North Carolina Strategic Highway Safety Plan

Released March 2015

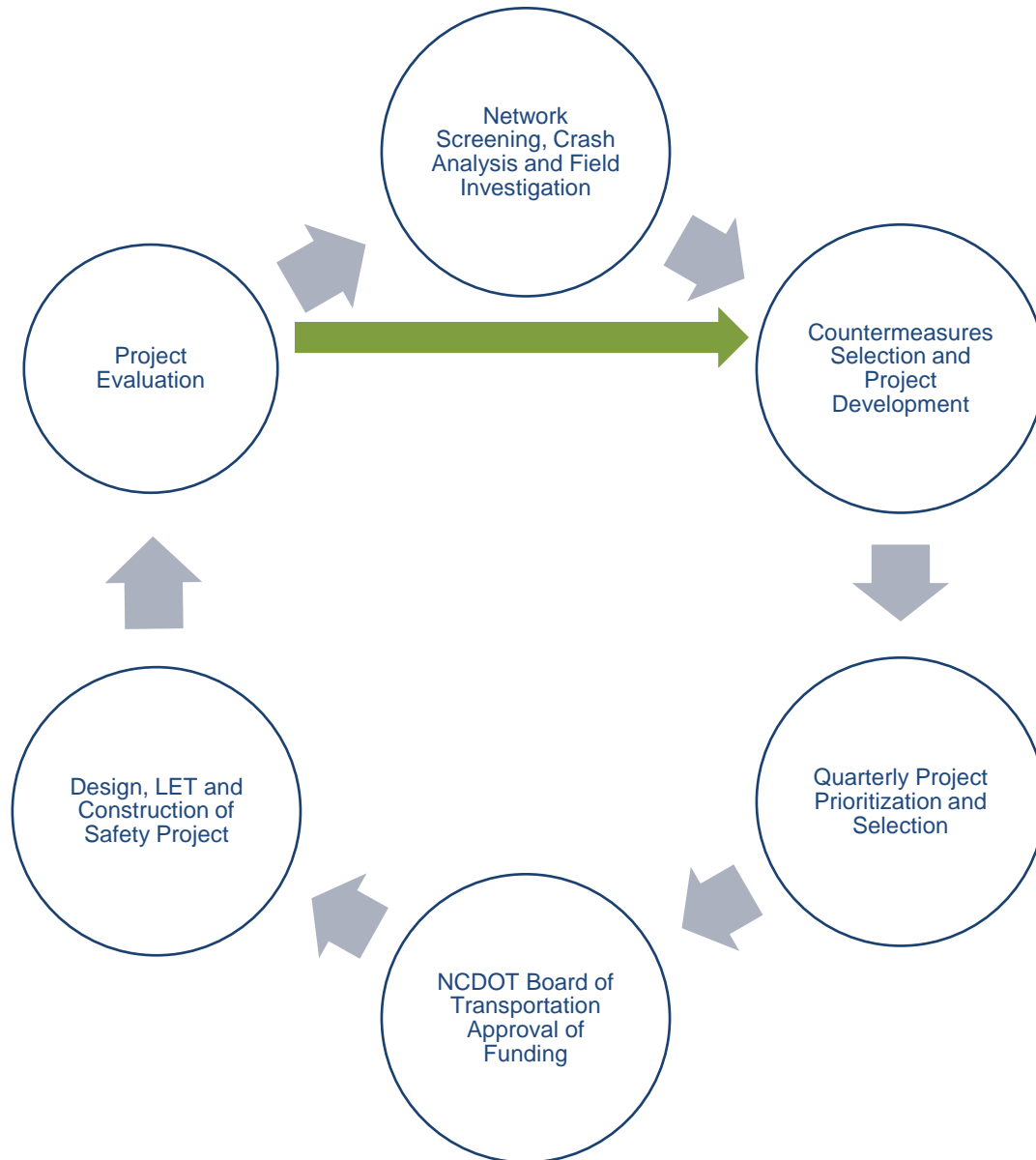


Emphasis Areas

- Lane Departure
- Keeping Drivers Alert
- Speed
- Intersection Safety
- Occupant Protection
- Demographic Considerations
- Pedestrians & Bicyclists
- Impaired Driving
- Emerging Issues & Data



Safety Project Cycle



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- Most safety projects originate from using crash data to identify patterns or from fatal crash investigations
- Projects also come from citizens reporting concerns...
- And Safety Partners participating in the process



NC Highway Mileage

- The Safety Program is focused on all public roads
- 80,000 miles of state-maintained roads
- 26,000 miles of non-state maintained roads mostly maintained by municipalities



Typical Safety Projects

- Intersection Improvements
 - Traffic Signals (new & upgrades)
 - Roundabouts
 - Turn Lanes
 - Channelization
 - Pedestrian Refuge Islands
- Corridor Improvements
 - Median Modifications / Left-Overs / Super Street Configurations
 - Shoulder and Lane widening
 - Guardrail and roadside hardware
 - Rumble strips
- Systemic Features
 - Median Barrier, Curve Warnings, Flashing Yellow Arrows



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Available Sources of Safety Funds:

- Spot Safety Program
 - Traditional Max of \$400,000 per project
 - State Funded - 87 Projects funded in 2015 worth \$9.6 million
 - Reviewed by Safety Oversight Committee (SOC) and approved by the Board of Transportation (BOT)

- Hazard Elimination Program
 - Traditional Max of \$1,000,000 per project
 - 90/10% Federal and State funds
 - Selected 123 Projects in 2015 to be funded at a total estimated cost of \$70.3 million
 - Reviewed by SOC and approved by the BOT

- Division Maintenance/Construction
 - Recommendations submitted to Highway Division Staff



Safety Project Evaluation

Example Intersection – All Way Stop

- Location Map



- Naïve Before and After Data Summary (4.33 years of data)

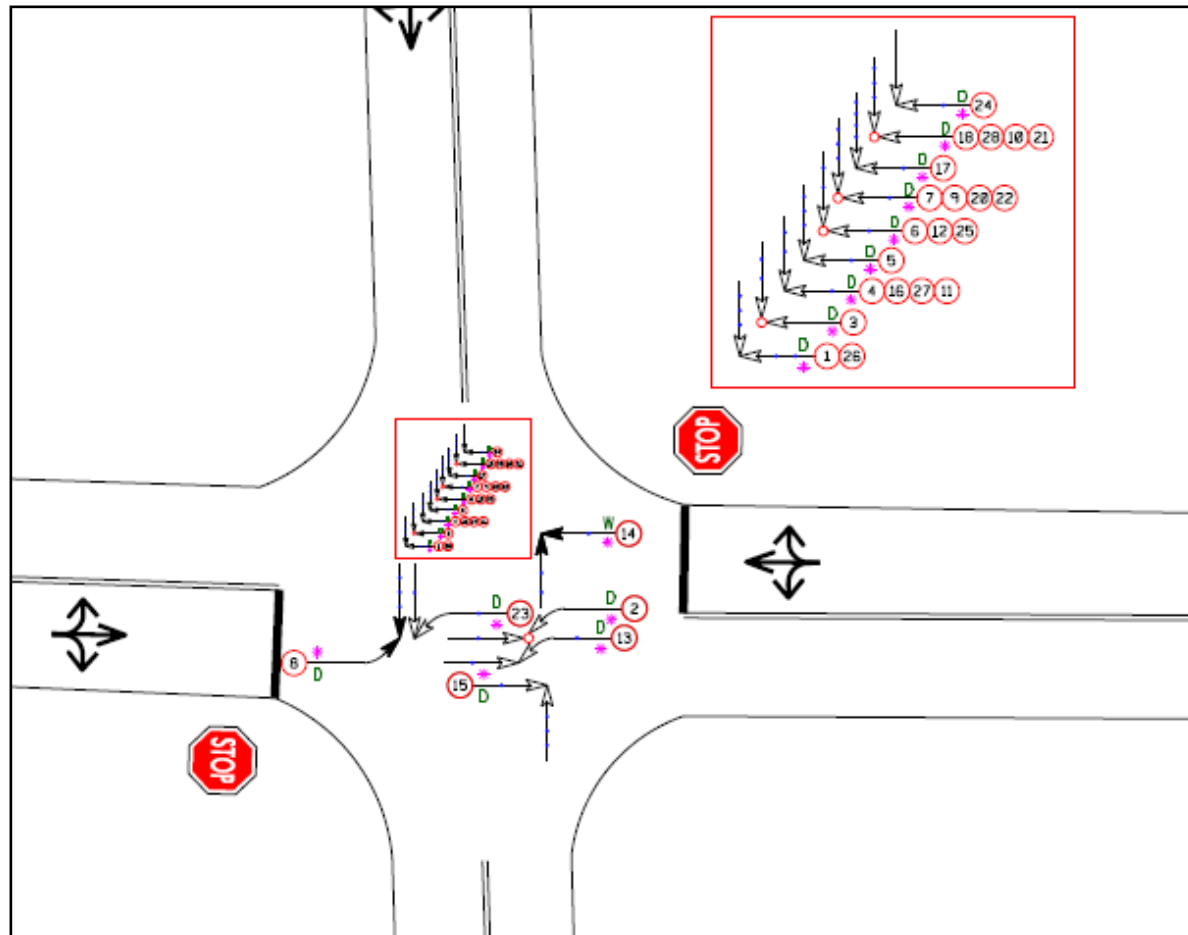
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|------------------------------|--------|-------|---|
| Total Crashes | 28 | 3 | - 89.3 % |
| Total Severity Index | 4.17 | 5.93 | + 42.2 % |
| Target Crashes | 27 | 2 | - 92.6 % |
| Target Crash Severity Index | 4.29 | 8.40 | + 95.8 % |
| Volume (2007, 2011) | 6,700 | 6,000 | - 10.4 % |



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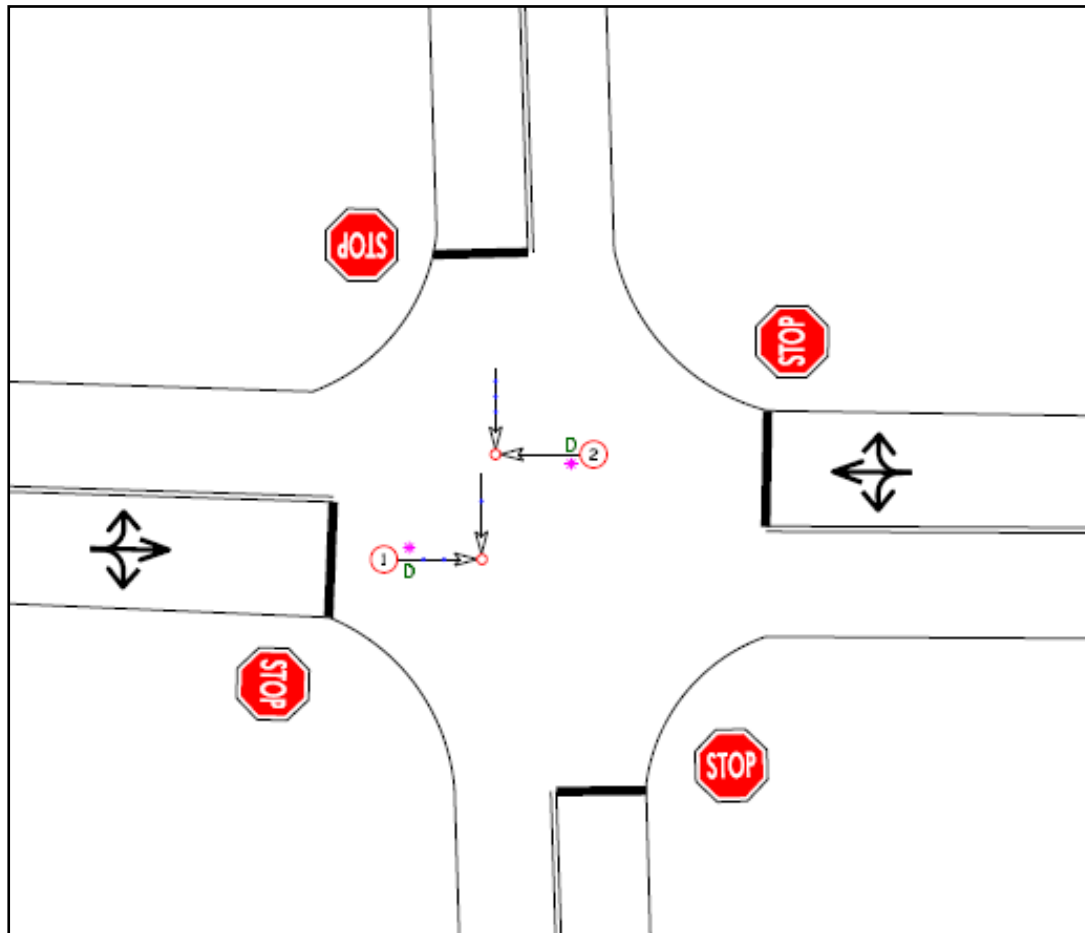
- Before Period Collision Diagram



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Example Intersection – All Way Stop

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Example Intersection – Reverse Directional Crossover

- Location Map



- Naïve Before and After Data Summary (3.92 years of data)

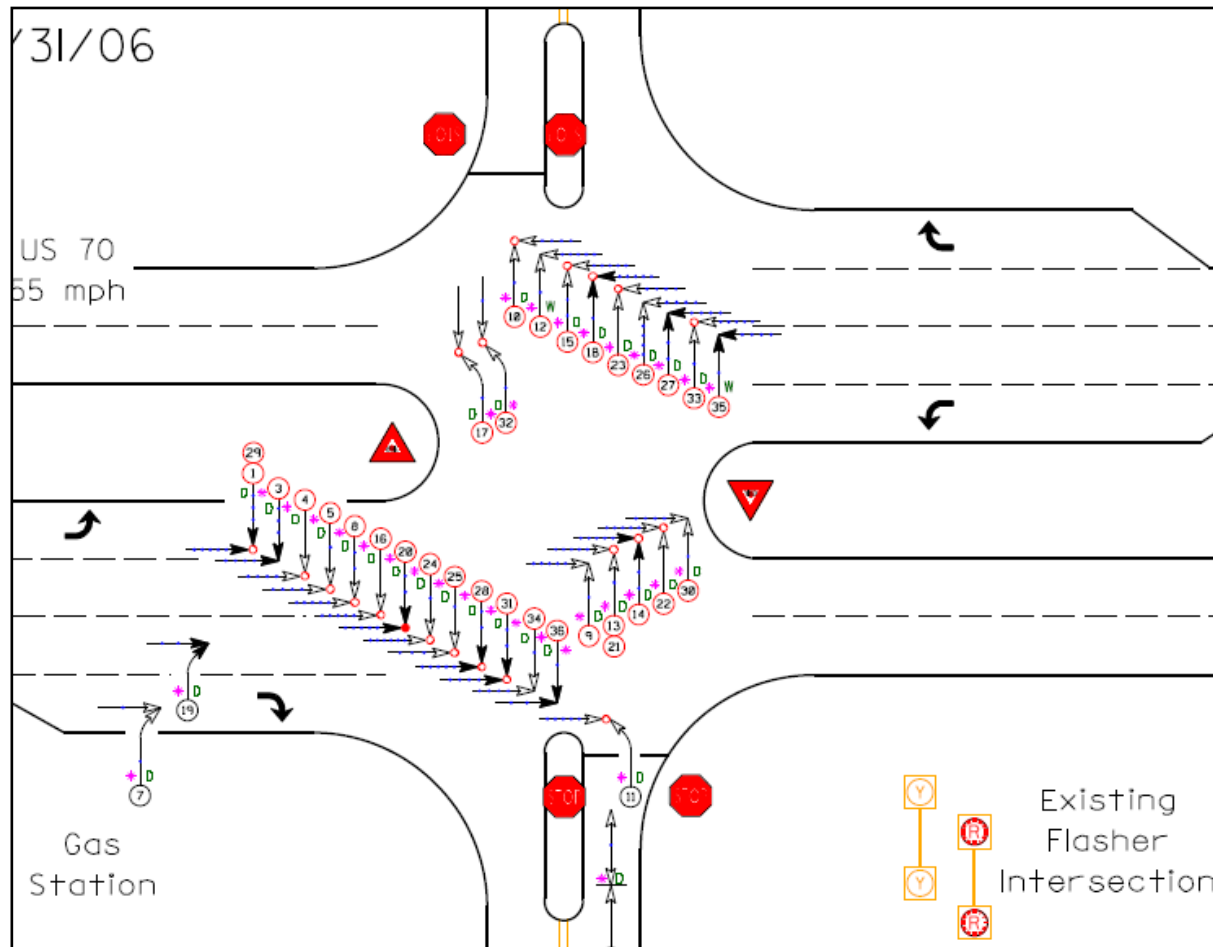
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| Total Crashes | 36 | 10 | - 72.2 % |
| Total Severity Index | 11.43 | 3.22 | - 71.8 % |
| | | | |
| Target Crashes | 31 | 0 | - 100.0 % |
| Target Crash Severity Index | 12.87 | 0.00 | - 100.0 % |
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| Volume (2005, 2009) | 20,450 | 17,800 | - 13.0 % |



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Example Intersection – Reverse Directional Crossover

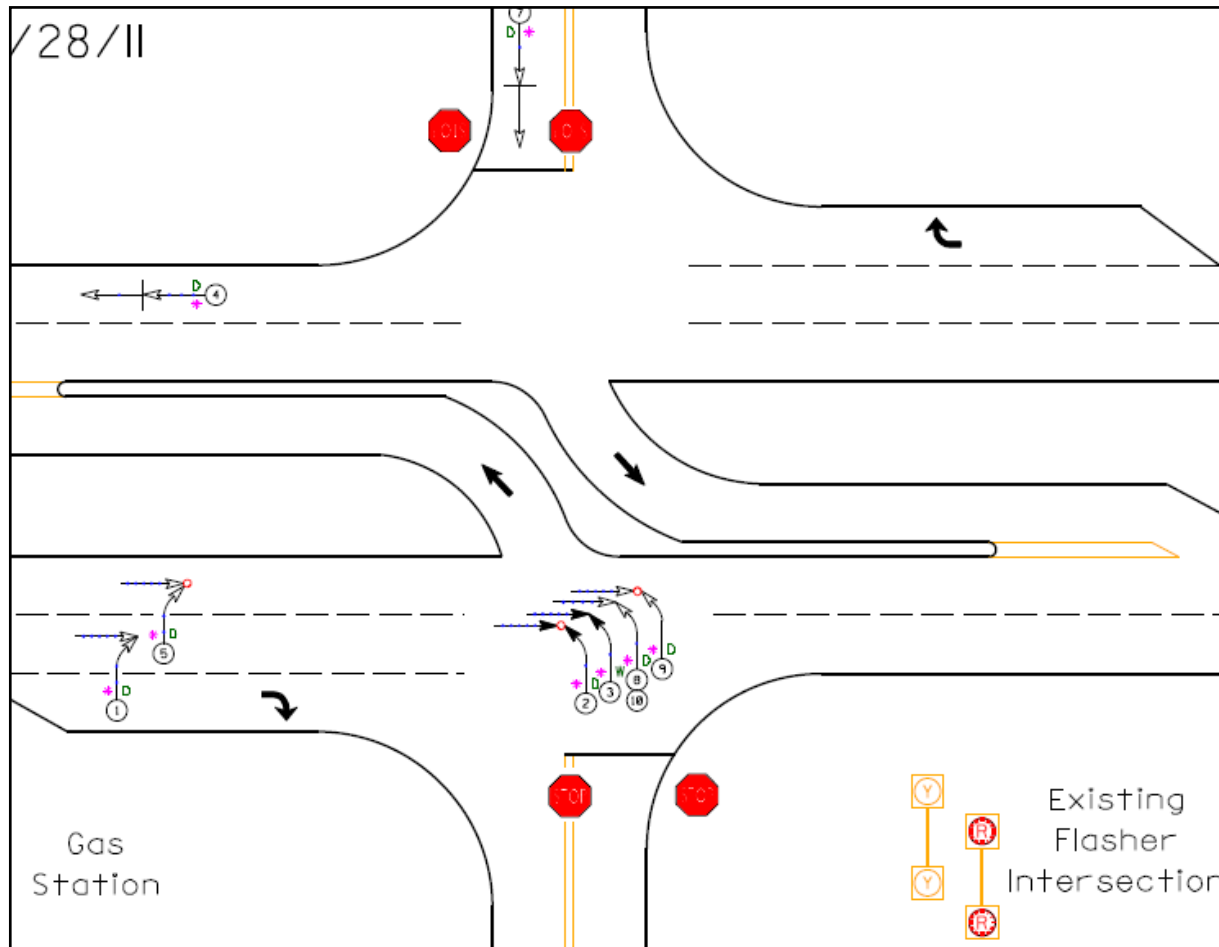
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Example Intersection – Reverse Directional Crossover

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Example Section – Superelevation and Overlay in Curve

- Location Map



- Naïve Before and After Data Summary (4.42 years of data)

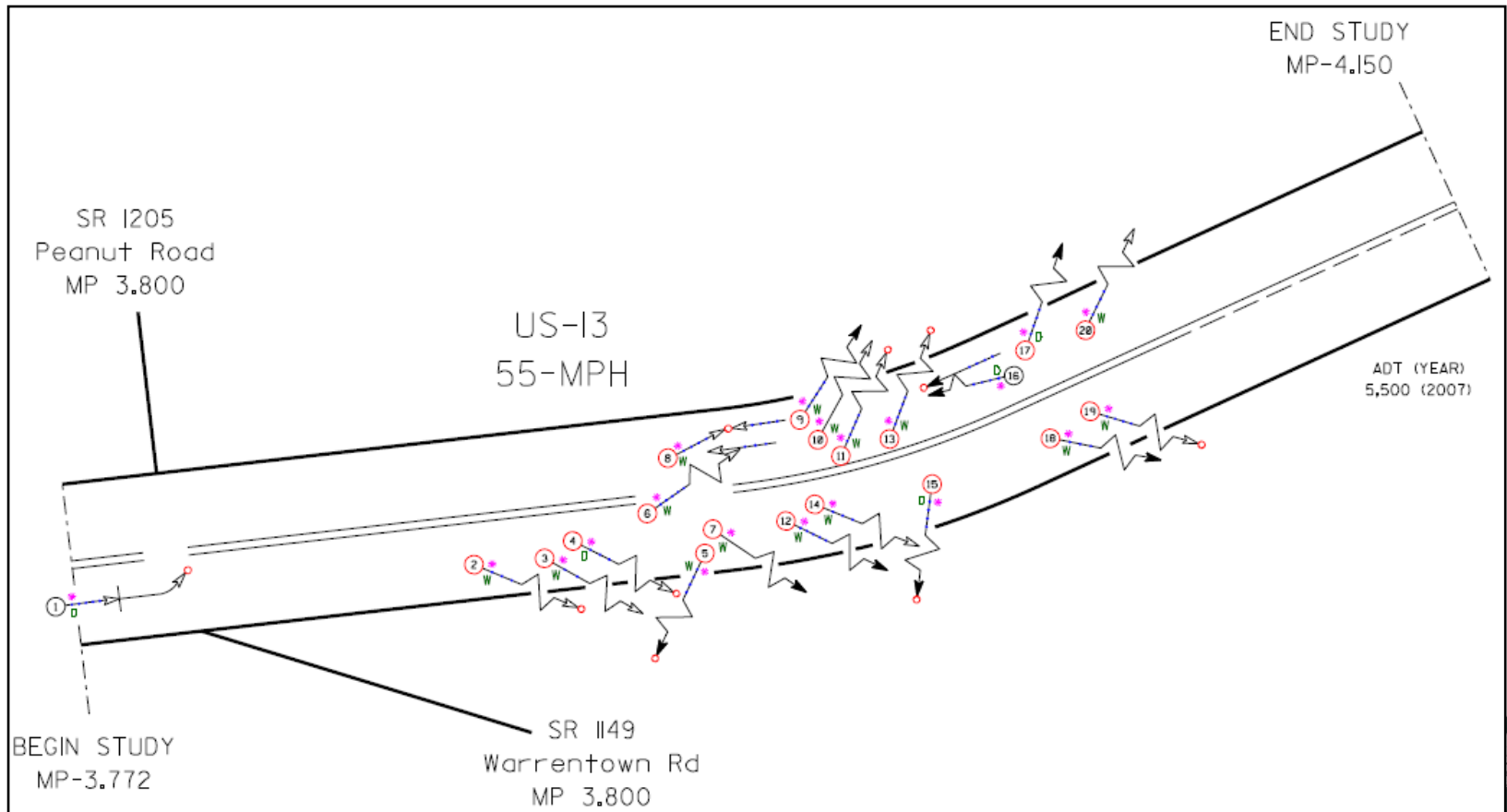
| <u>Treatment Information</u> | Before | After | Percent Reduction (-) Percent Increase (+) |
|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| Total Crashes | 20 | 2 | - 90.0 % |
| Total Severity Index | 8.12 | 4.70 | - 42.1 % |
| Target Crashes – Lane Departure | 18 | 1 | - 94.4 % |
| Target (LD) Crash Severity Index | 8.09 | 8.40 | 3.8 % |
| Volume (2007, 2012) | 5,500 | 4,700 | - 14.5 % |



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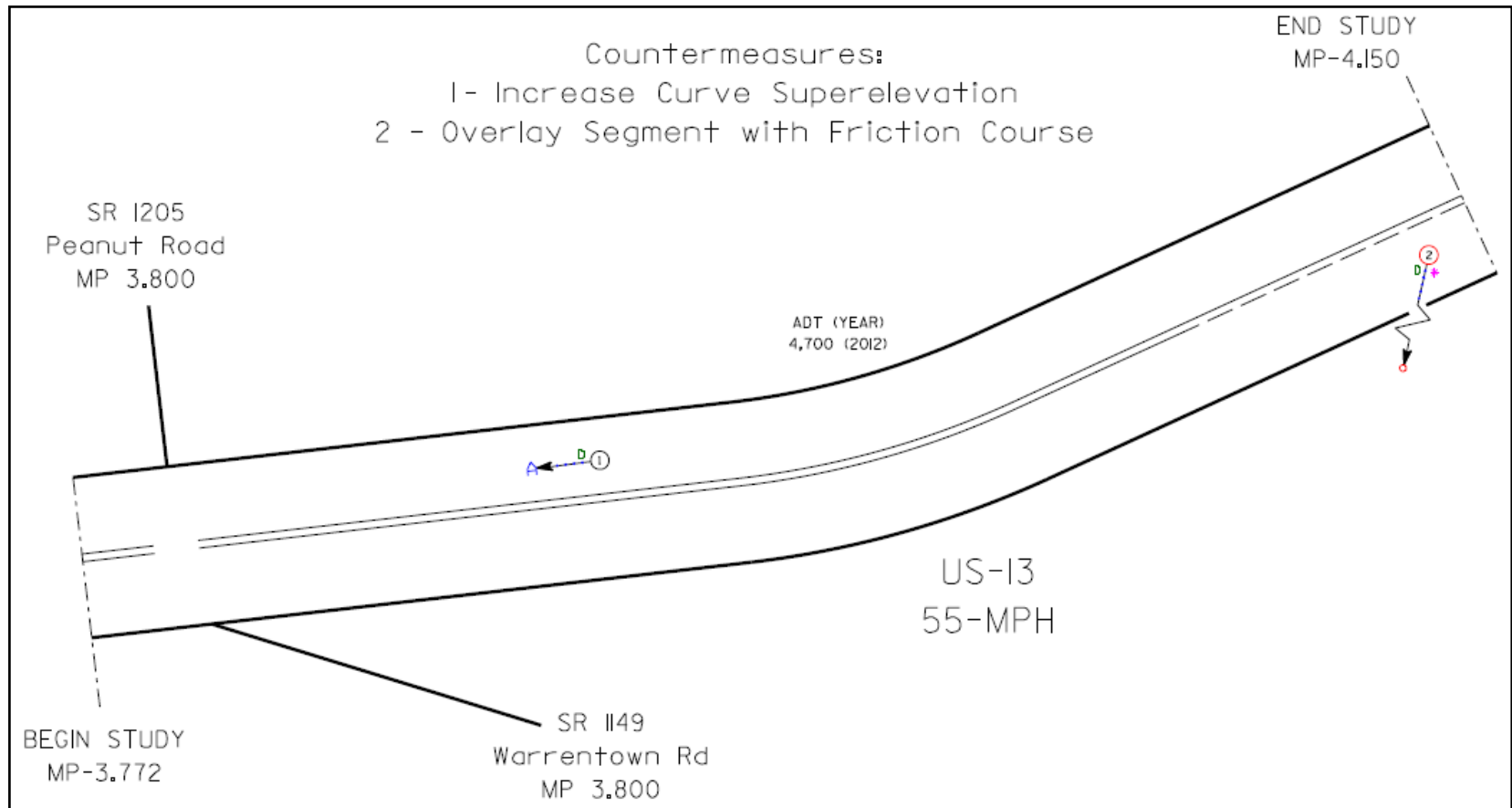
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QUESTIONS?



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