

Crosstown Pinch Points

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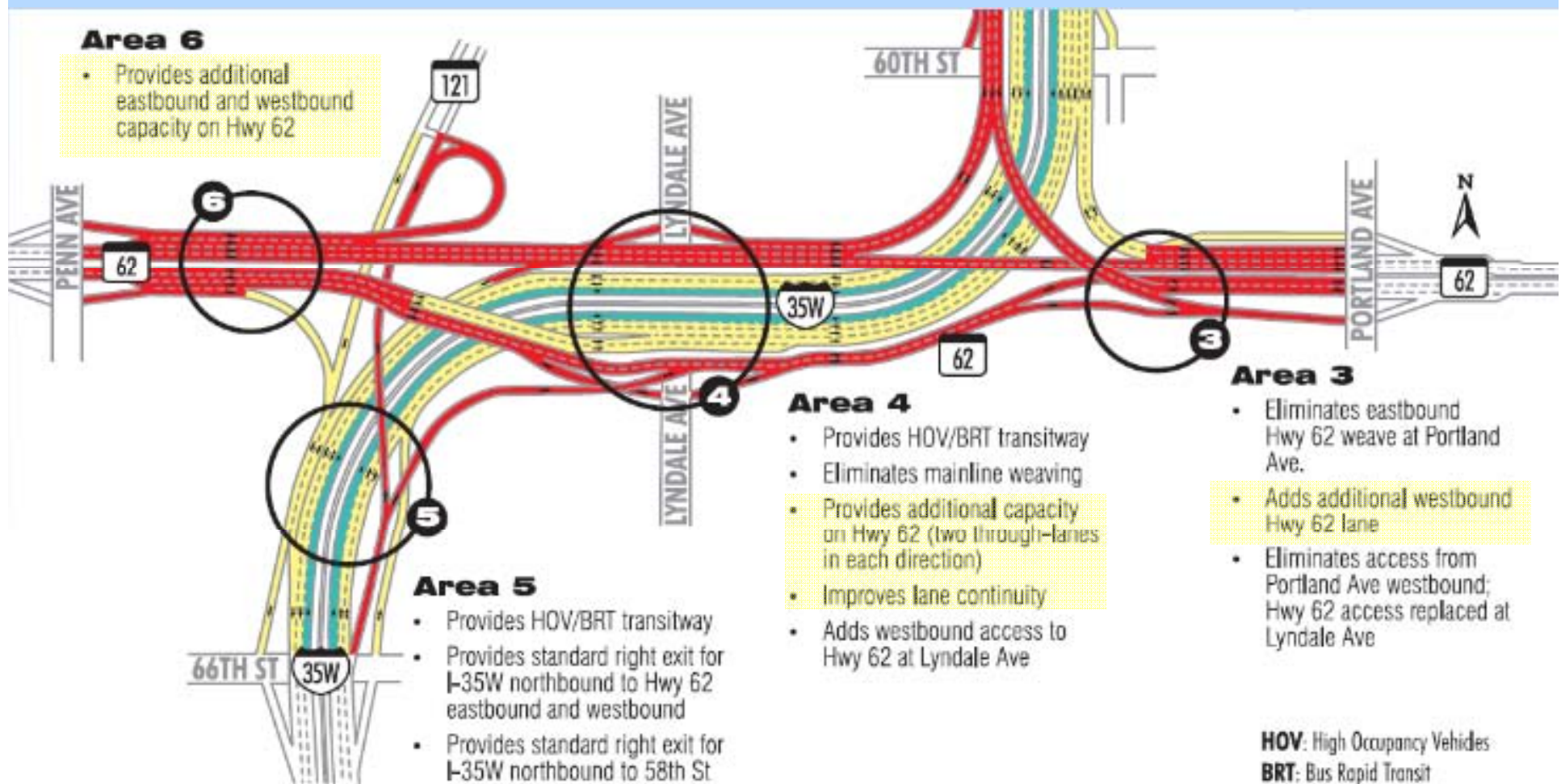
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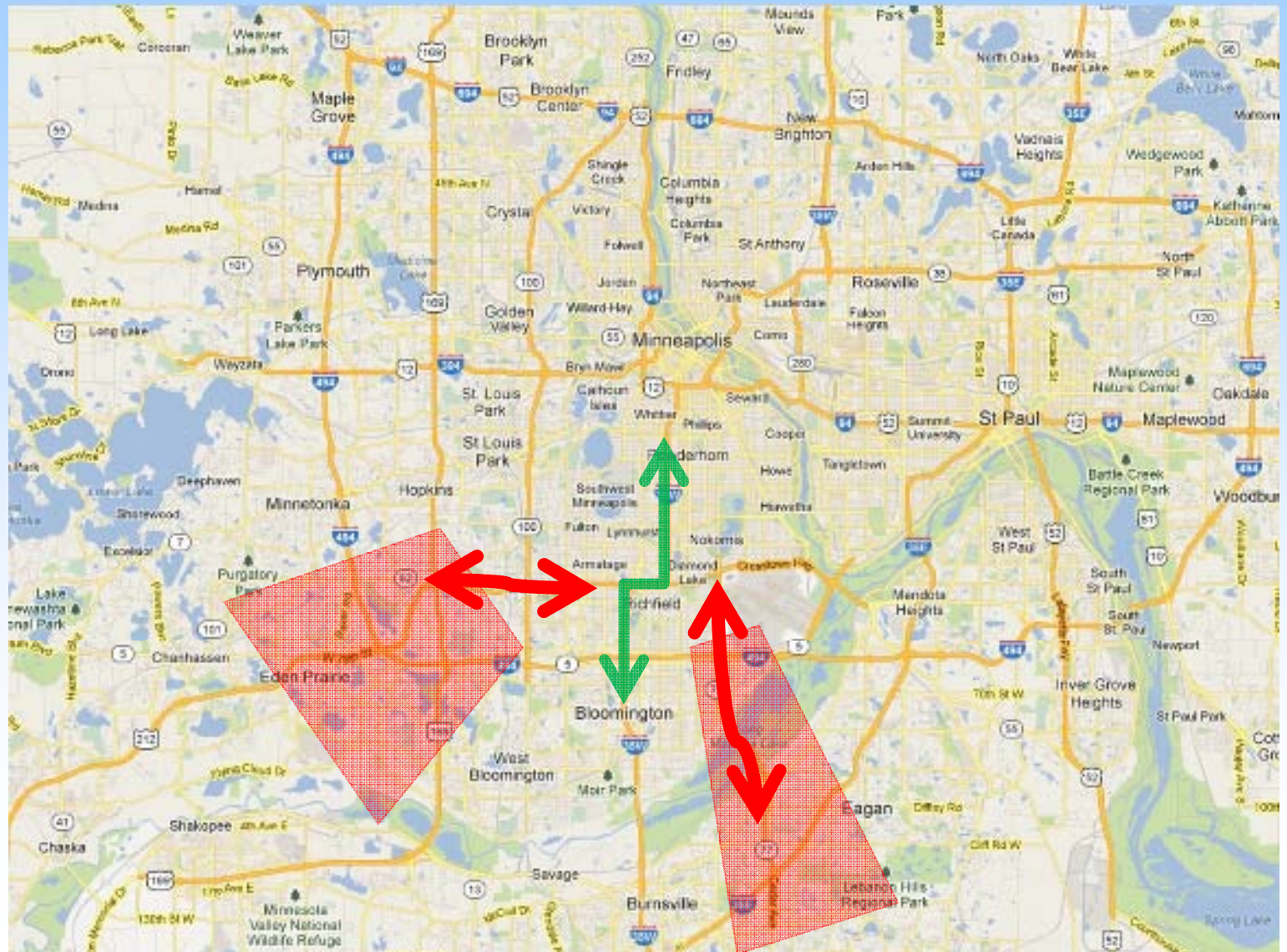


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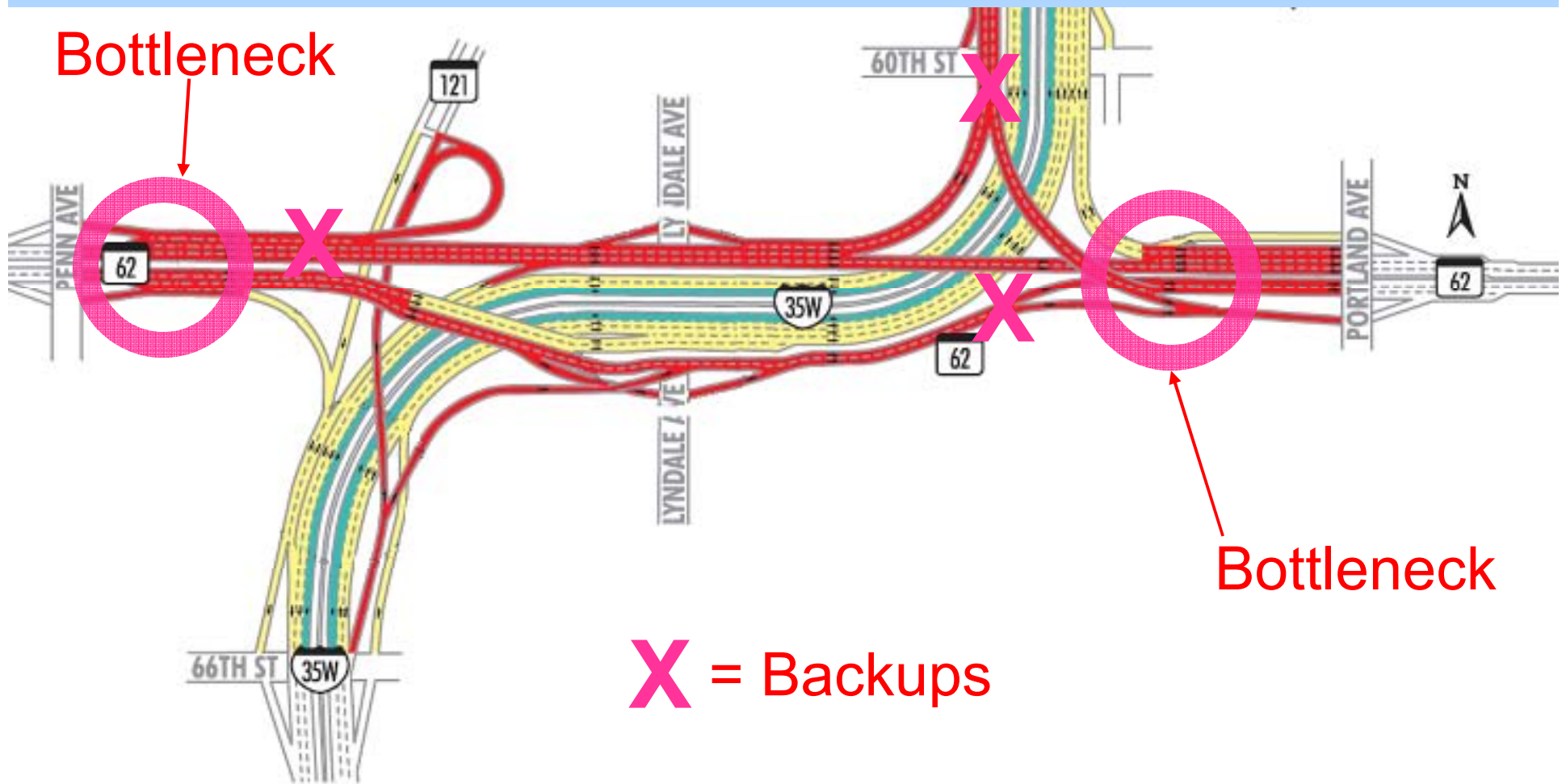


Reconstruction Successes





Crosstown Issues



Regional Overflow

- “Cut Through” and “Early Exit” traffic
- Additional 3600+ ADT on 66th Street
- Learned Behavior – Drivers routinely avoid Highway 62 no matter the conditions based on past experiences
- Peak hour traffic percentages confirm experience

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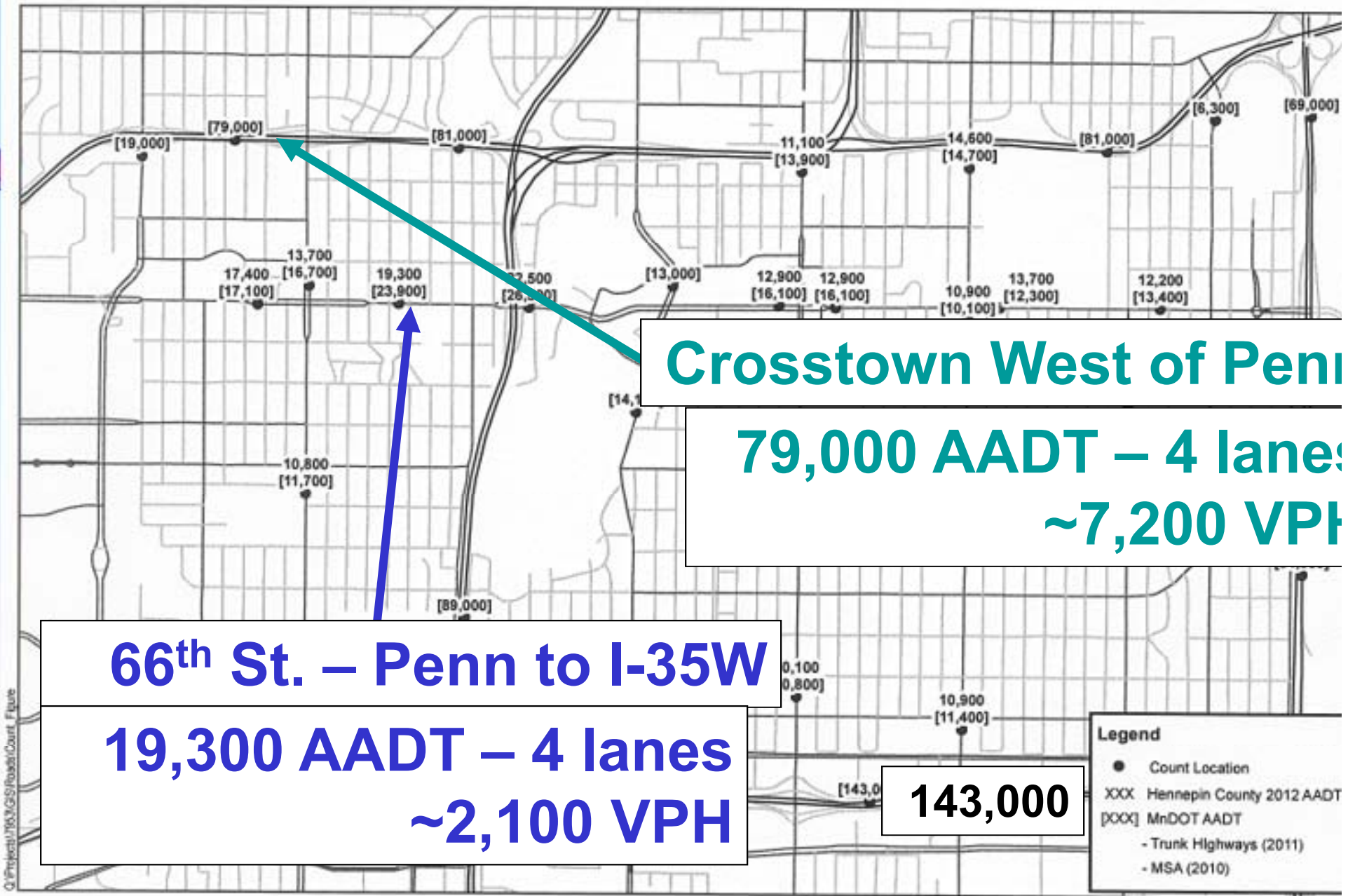


Local Impact

- 66th Street (CSAH 53) Reconstruction 2016-17
 - \$18 Million Investment
- Recently Completed 66th Street Visioning Process
 - Multimodal Function
 - Public Realm
 - Community Character
- Emphasis to “Right-size” the Road
 - Different sections, different looks
 - Traffic Growth Impacts

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Crosstown Congestion Relief

- Low-Cost, High-Benefit Projects
 - Auxiliary Lanes, Dynamic Shoulders
- West 3 Sub-Sections
 - Penn Ave To Xerxes Ave
 - Xerxes Ave to TH 100
 - TH 100 to TH 169
- East
 - Portland Ave to TH 77
- Feeds Previously Added Capacity in “Commons”

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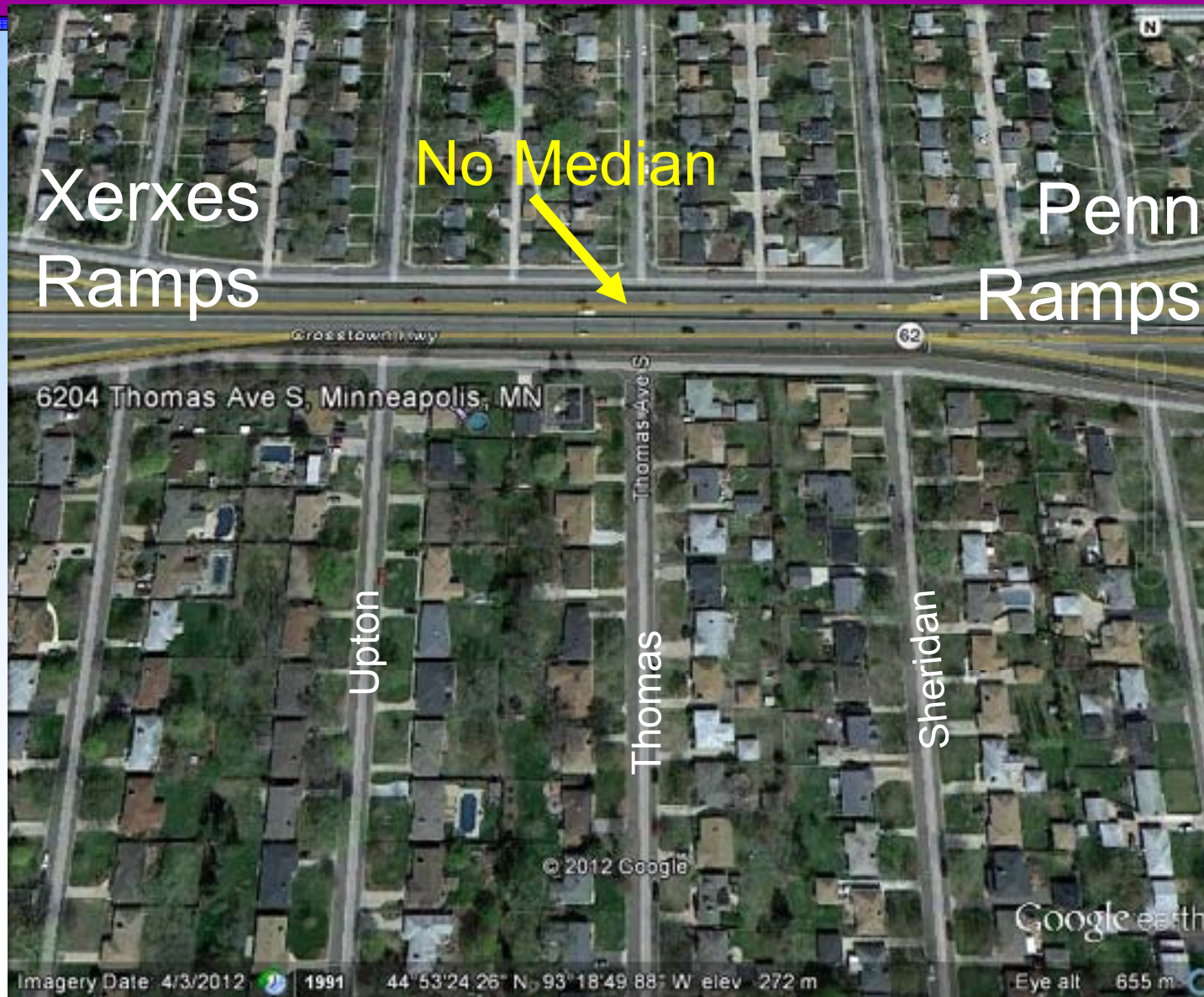


Xerxes Ave to TH 100+

- Center Median and/or Additional Shoulder Capacity



Crosstown “Pinch Point”



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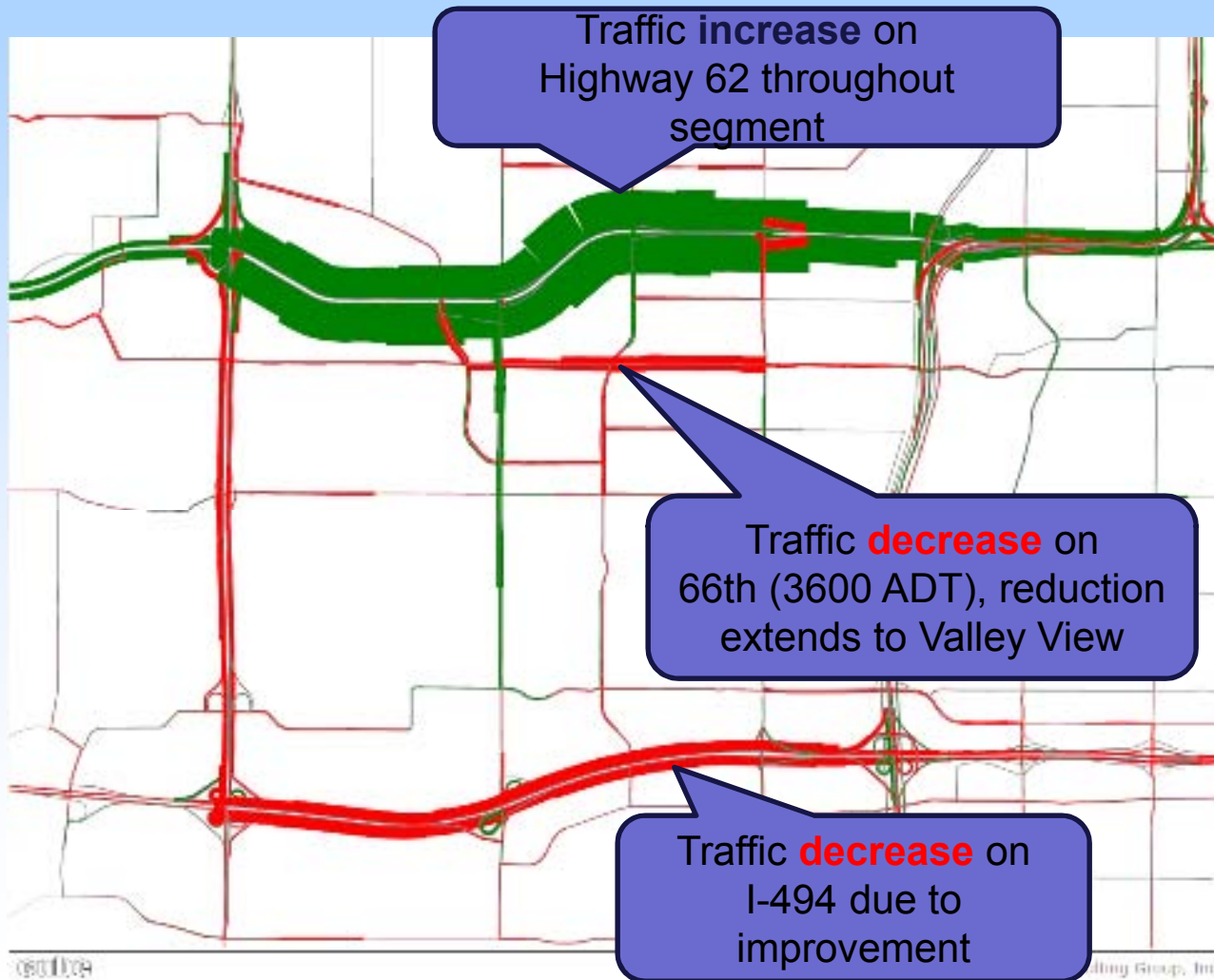
Additional Capacity Achievable



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Regional and Local Benefit - Assumed Improvement Highway 62 Add Capacity (Penn Avenue to Highway 100)



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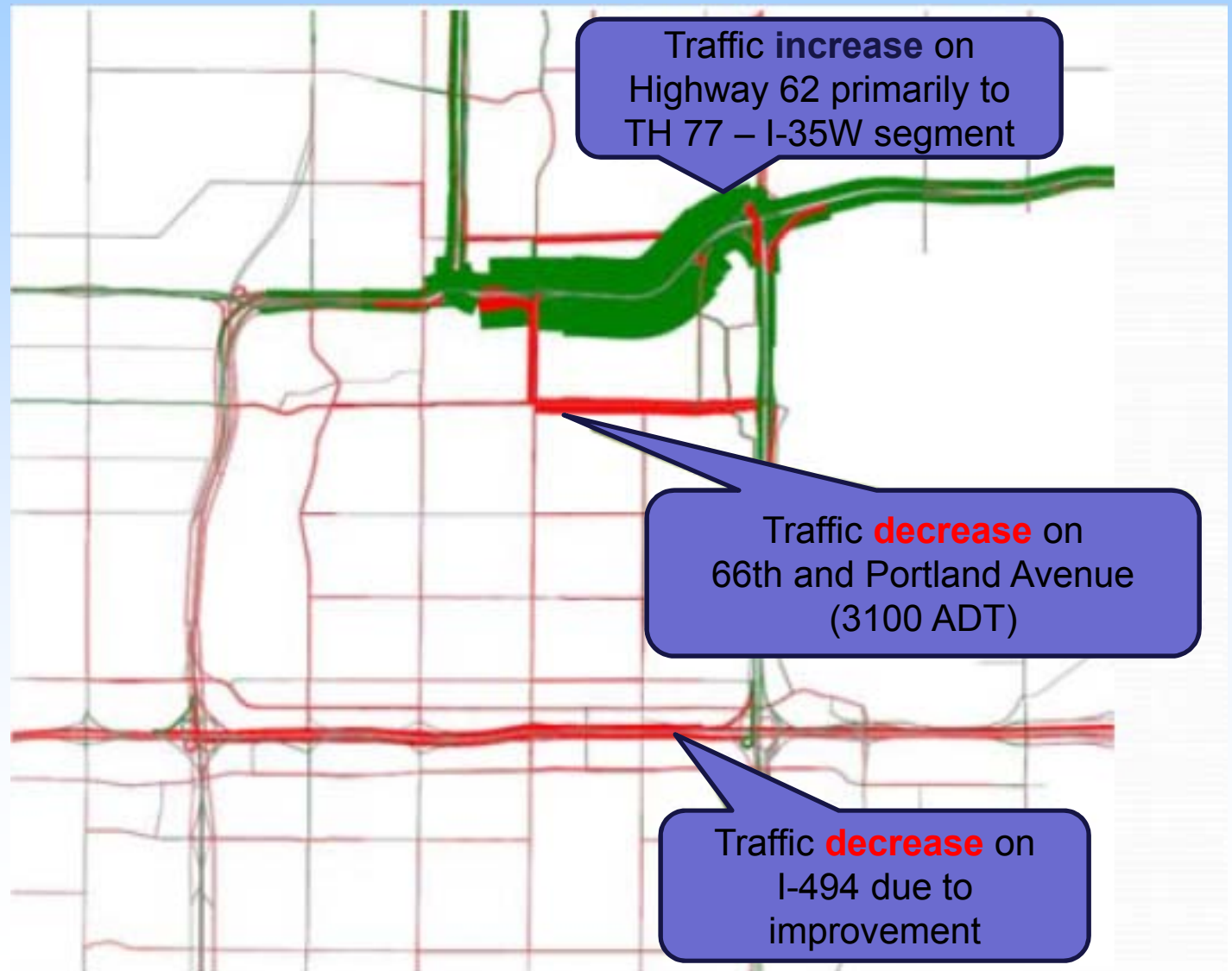
Crosstown Portland to Hwy 77



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MN/DOT TH 62 SCOPING

- Both Sections Feasible
 - No Major Issues
 - Interagency Coordination Needed
- Penn Ave to TH 169
 - ~ \$48 Million
- Portland to TH 77
 - ~ \$22 Million

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Crosstown Congestion Priority

- Utilize Existing Investments
- “Low-Cost, High-Benefit” Project Possible
- Inter-Agency Approach
 - Regional Partners
 - I-35W Solutions Alliance
 - I-494 Corridor Commission
 - MN/DOT
 - Hennepin County
 - Cities of Minneapolis & Edina

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