DIVISION OF DESIGN SERVICES

BUREAU OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

OFFICE OF ACCESS DESIGN

Access Design Training

*** AGENDA ***

Introduction to Access Management - Arthur Eisdorfer, Manager, Bur Civil Engineering

Process Activities - John Jones, Project Manager, Office of Access Design

Definitions of Revocations, Modifications, Adjustments and Changes Specifics of Revocations - Lorinda Lasus, DAG

Alternative Access Signing - Arthur Eisdorfer

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Common Problems - Arthur Eisdorfer

Access Cutouts - John Jones

Sufficiency of Access - Arthur Eisdorfer

Questions and Answers

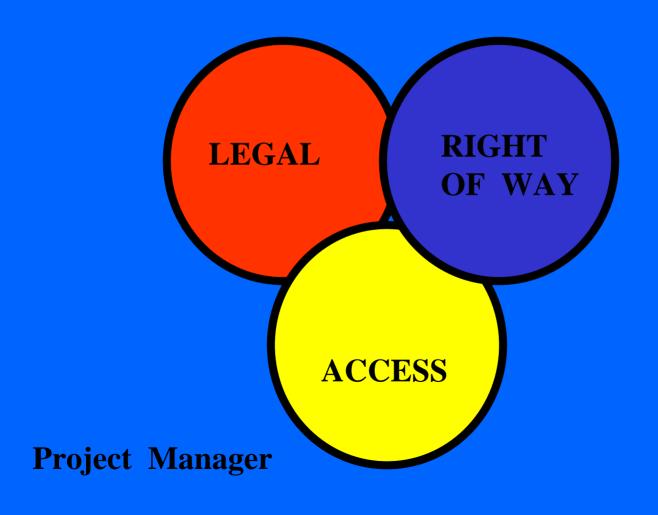
INTRODUCTION TO ACCESS MANAGEMENT

Arthur Eisdorfer

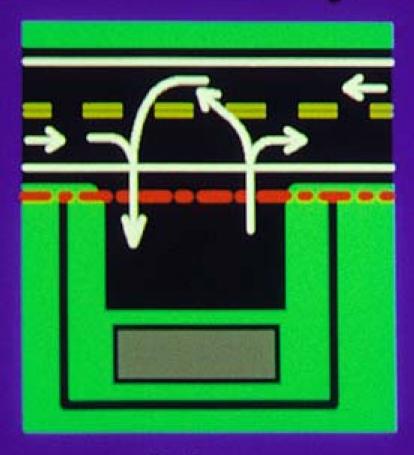
IMPACTS ON PROPERTY

- PROJECT
- ACCESS
- RIGHT OF WAY

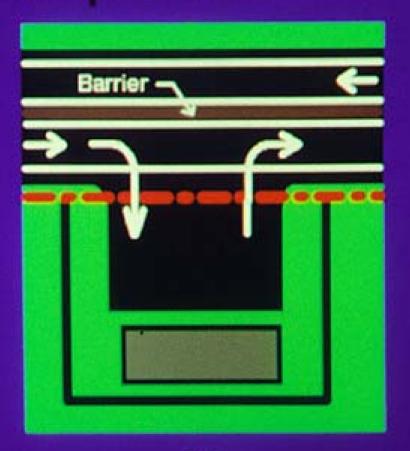
PROJECT DECISIONS



Project Impact

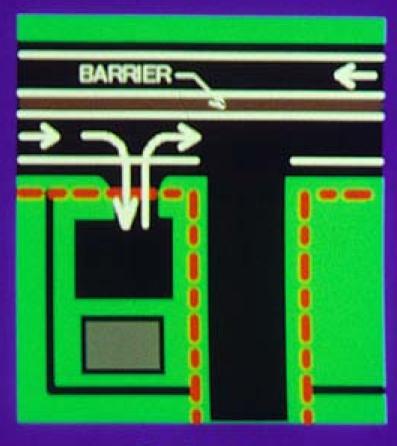


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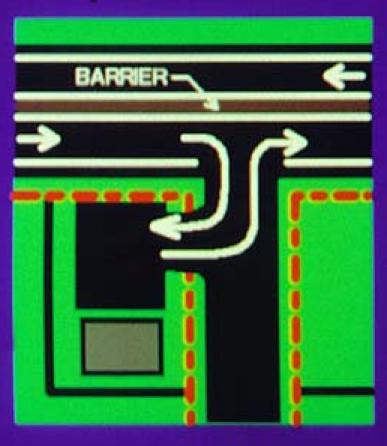


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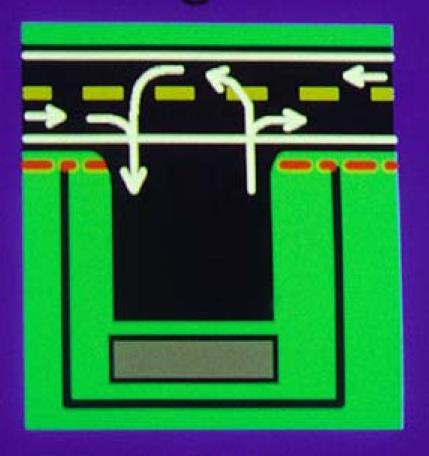


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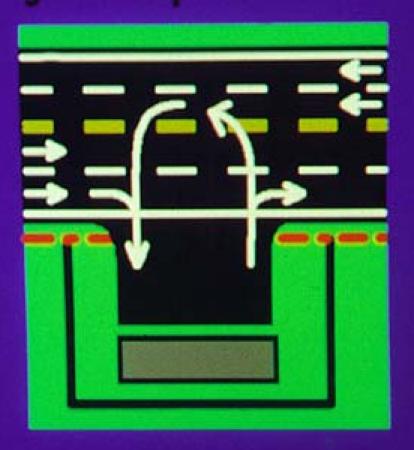


After

Right of Way Impact



Before



After

WHAT IS ACCESS MANAGEMENT?



The Control and Regulation of the Spacing and Design of:



DRIVEWAYS



MEDIANS



MEDIAN OPENINGS





TRAFFIC SIGNALS



FREEWAY INTERCHANGES

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF





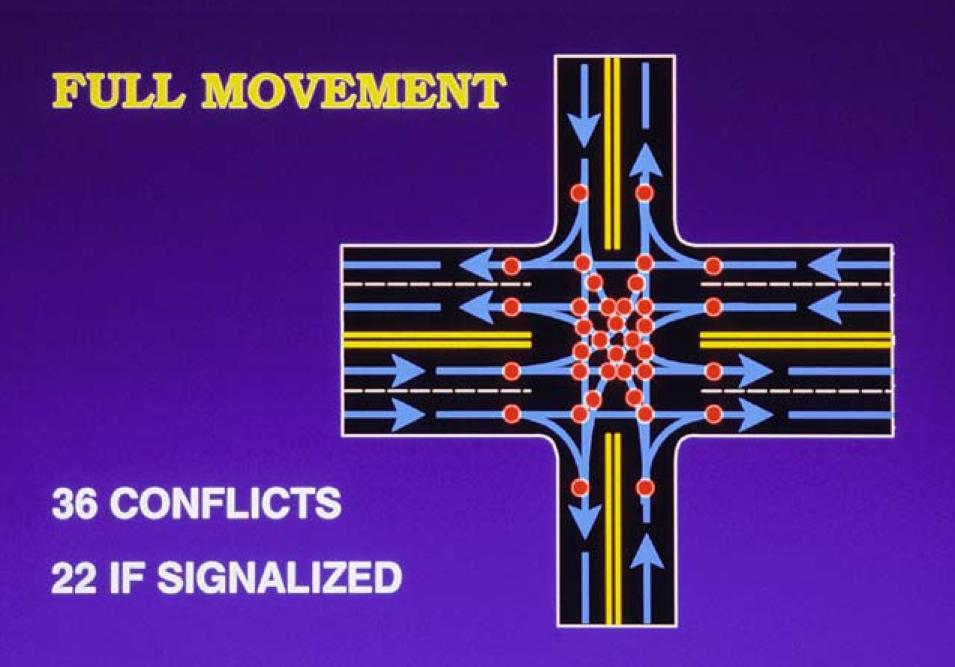
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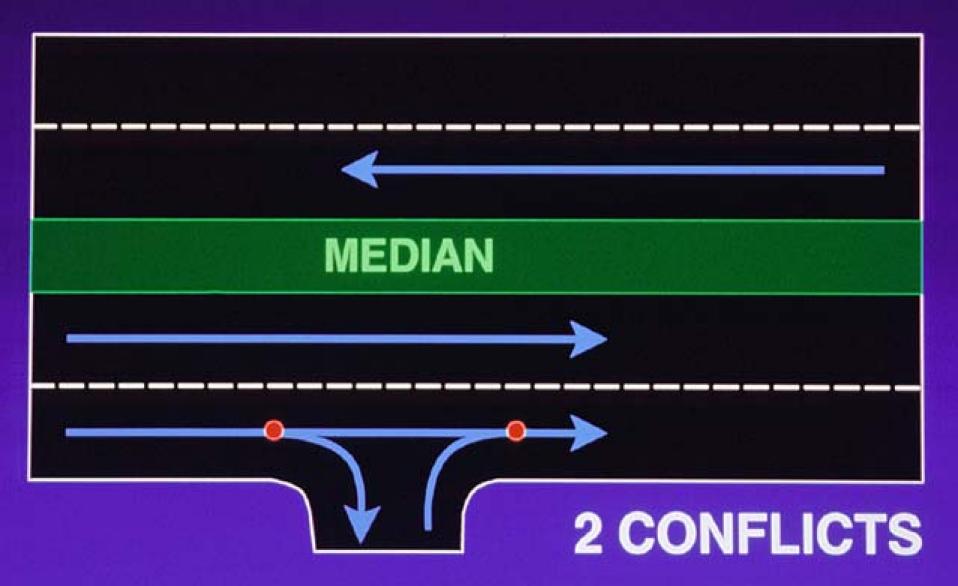
Separate the conflict points



Remove turning volumes and queues from through movements

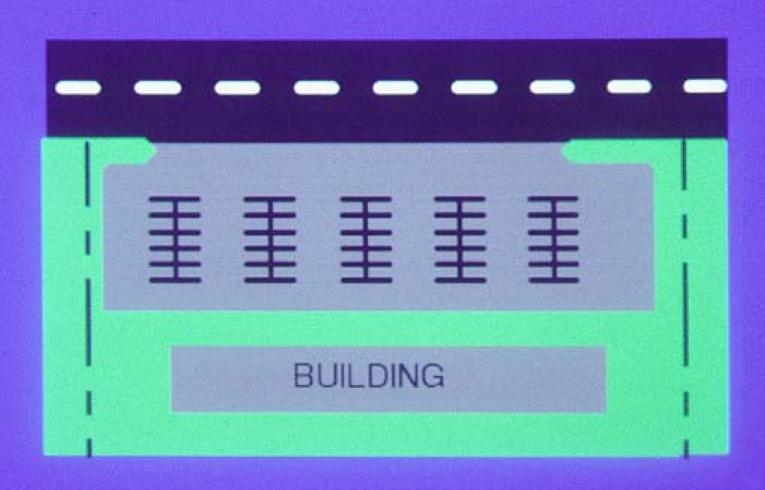


RIGHT-IN/RIGHT-OUT



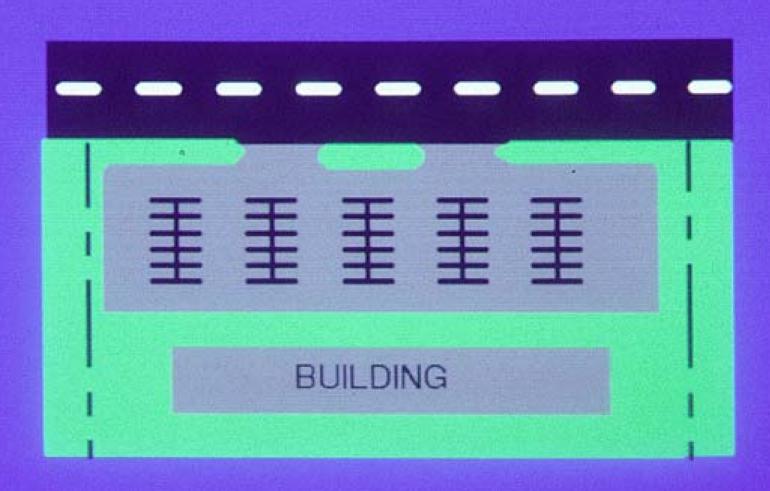
MINIMIZE NUMBER OF ACCESS POINTS





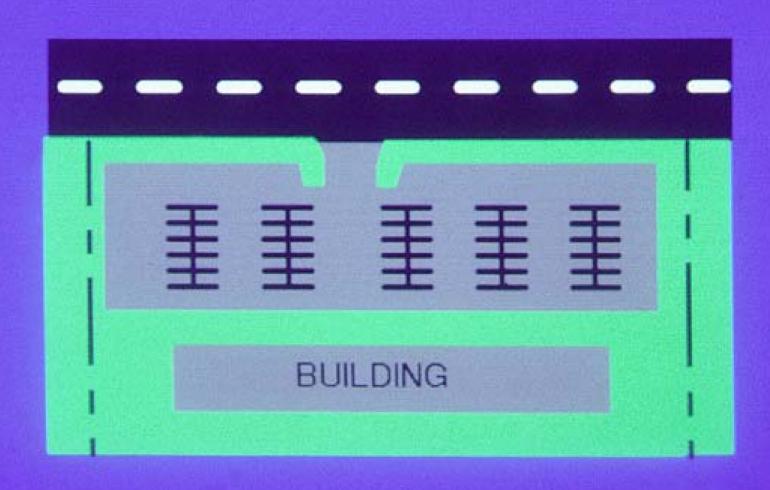
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WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF Access Management



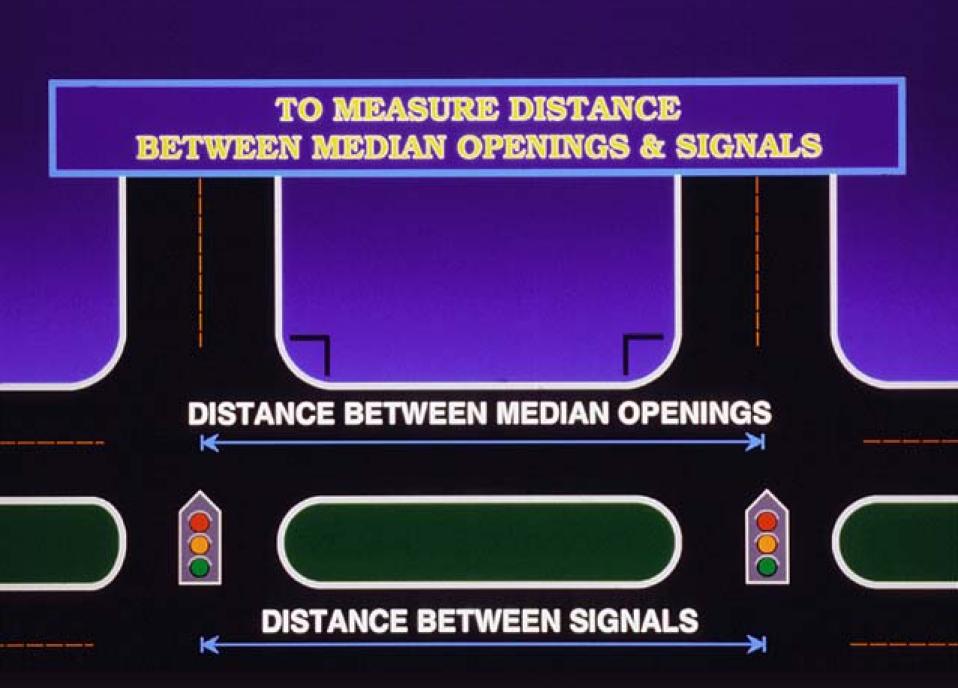
Limit the number of conflict points



Separate the conflict points



Remove turning volumes and queues from through-movements



TO MEASURE DISTANCE BETWEEN DRIVEWAY CONNECTIONS AND CORNER CLEARANCE

CORNER CLEARANCE DISTANCE DRIVEWAY A

DISTANCE BETWEEN DRIVEWAY CONNECTIONS DRIVEWAY B

STREE

TECHNIQUES TO SEPARATE CONFLICT POINTS



Driveway Separation Standards



Corner Clearance Standards



Median Opening Standards



Signal Spacing Standards



Florida has addressed all of these standards in regulations (Rule 14-97)

WHY SEPARATE CONFLICTS?

PRINCIPLE # 1



A driver can only "handle" one conflict at a time

PRINCIPLE # 2



Provide enough time and space to react to the unexpected

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF Access Canagement?



Limit the number of conflict points

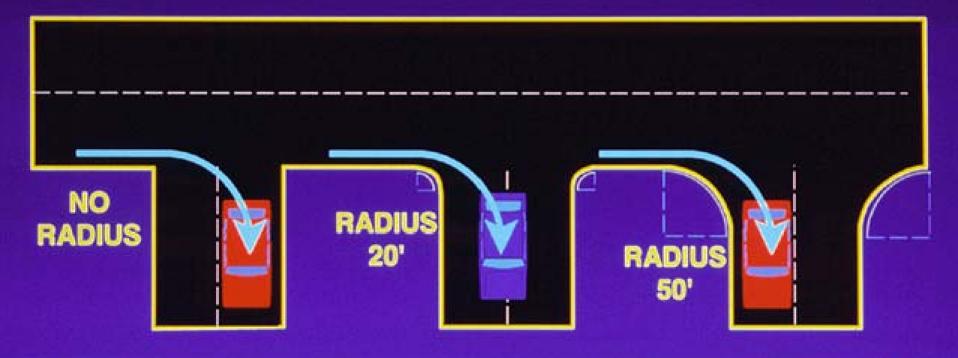


Separate the conflict points



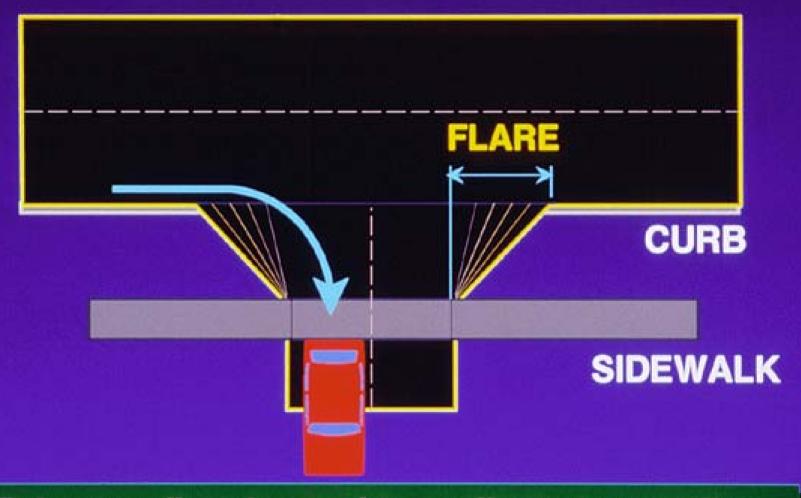
Remove turning volumes and queues from through-movements

TURN RADII



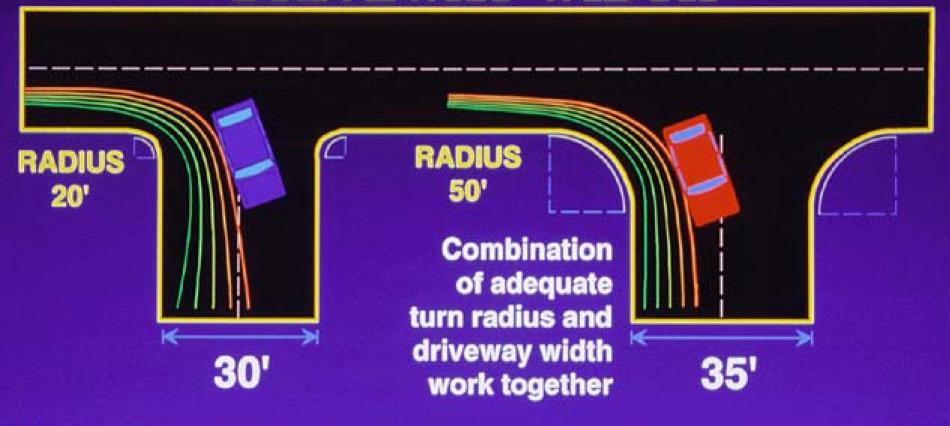
The bigger the radius, the faster the turning vehicle can get off the road and the less through-movement vehicles need to slow down

DRIVEWAY FLARE

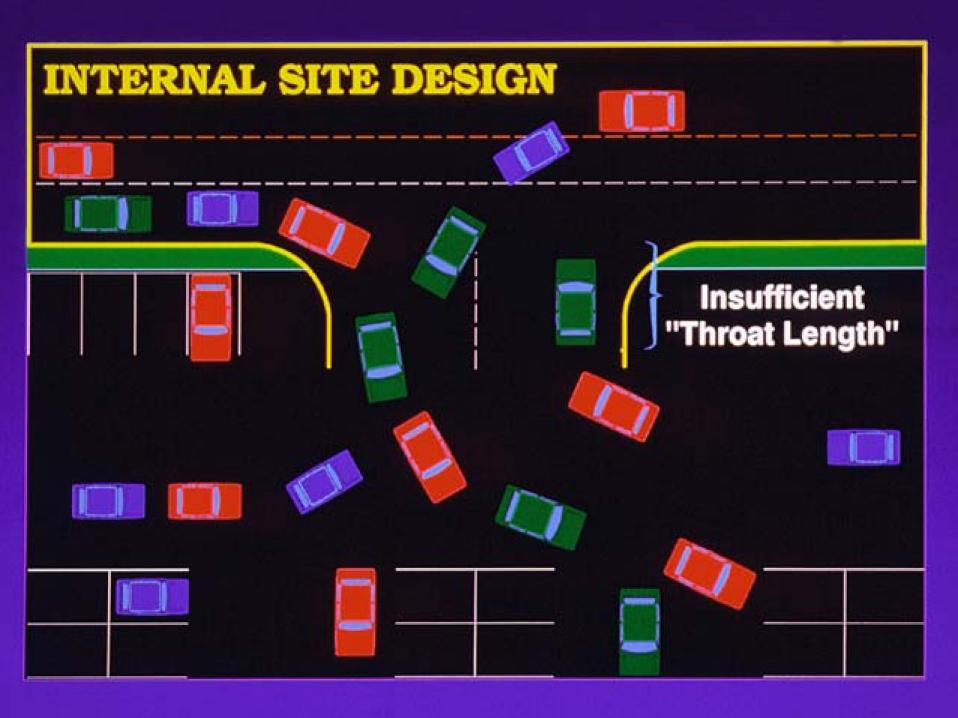


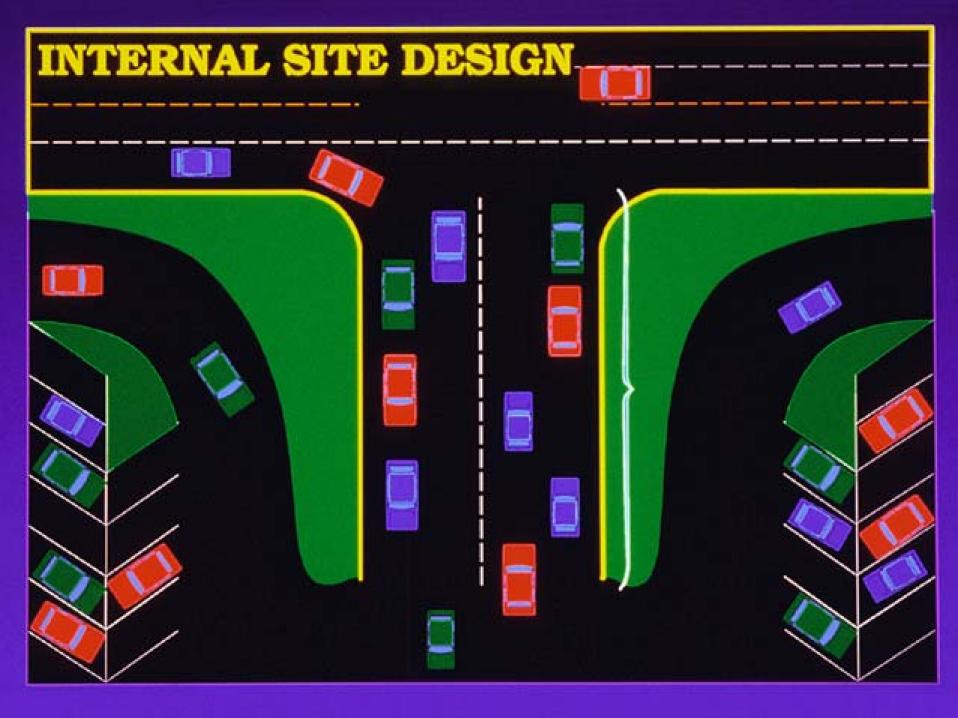
Driveway flare is used to replicate turn radius in areas with curb and gutter construction

DRIVEWAY WIDTH

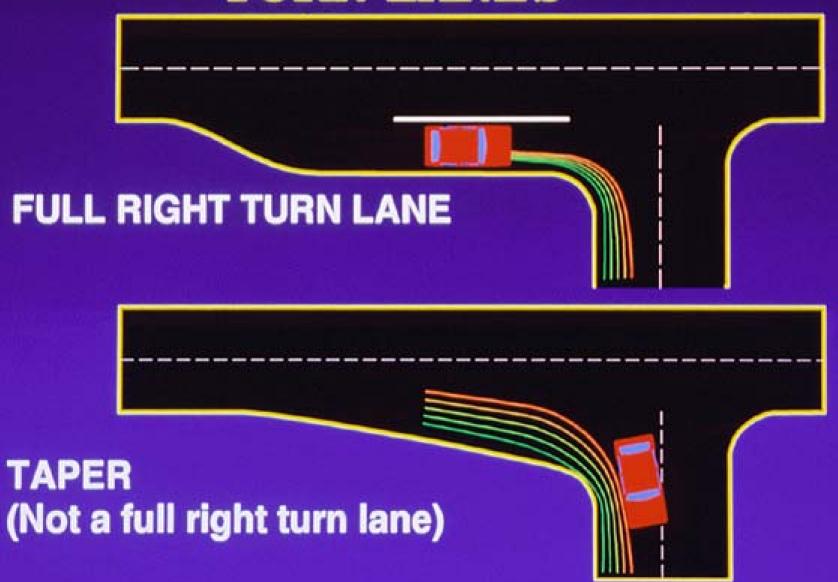


Adequate Driveway Width can also help to get turning vehicles off the road at greater speed and with less encroachment into the oncoming driveway traffic

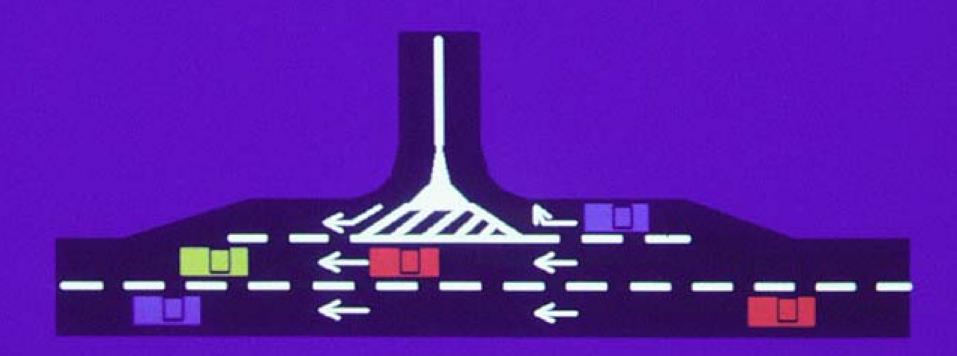




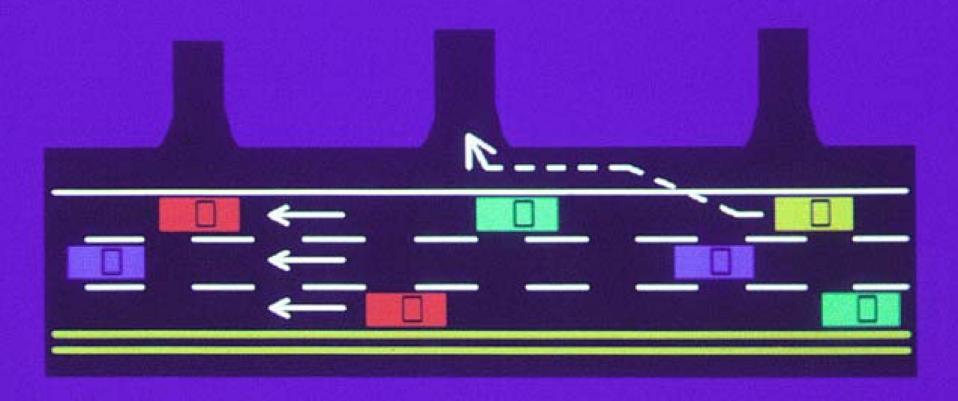
TURN LANES



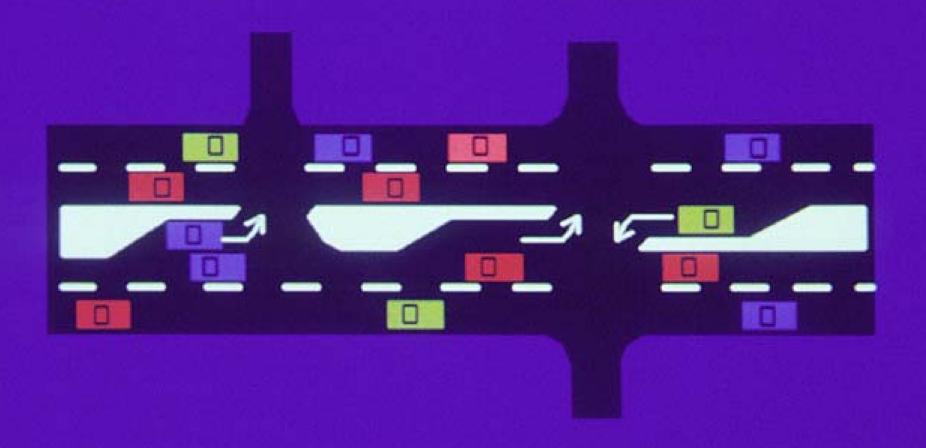
ACCELERATION AND DECELERATION LANES



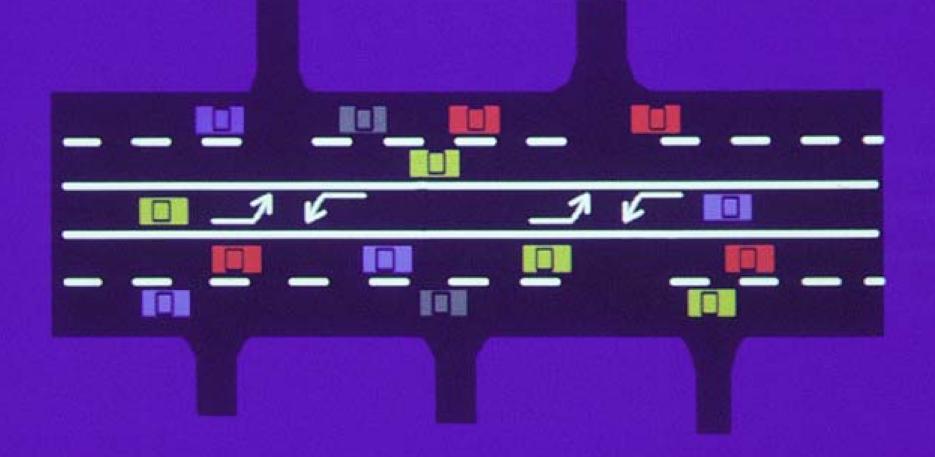
SHOULDERS



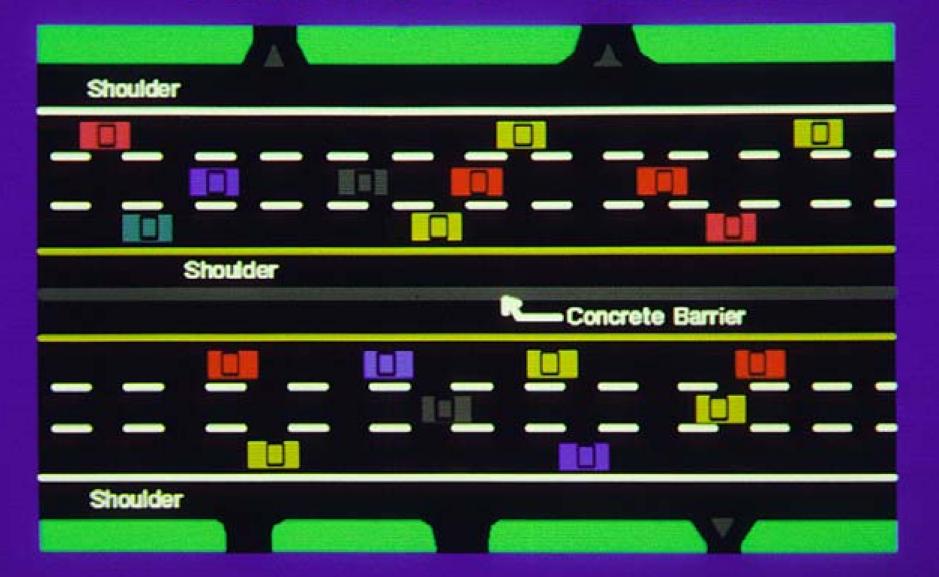
LEFT-TURN LANES



TWO-WAY LEFT-TURN LANES



Concrete Median



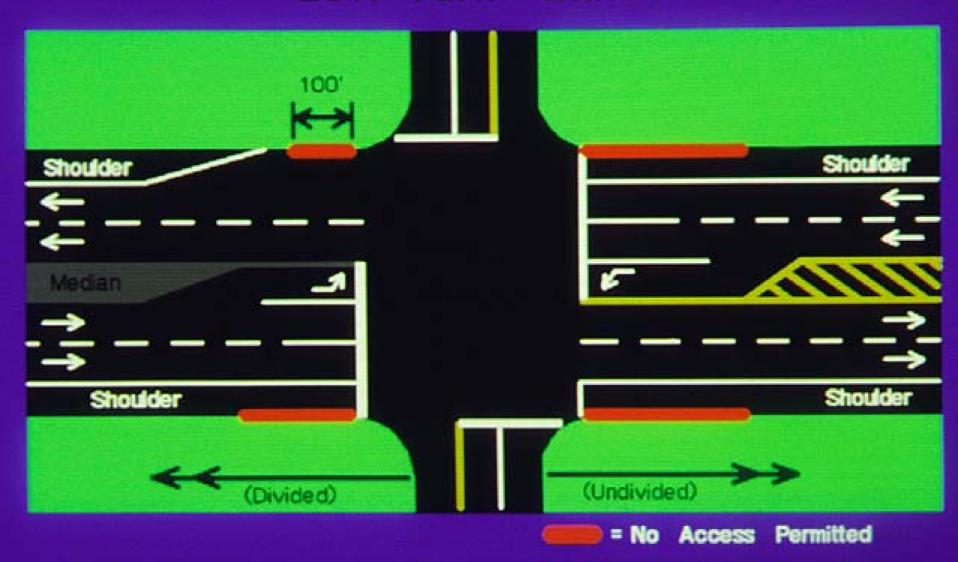
HOW CAN WE INSTITUTE ACCESS MANAGEMENT?

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

- **WIDENINGS**
- **INTERSECTION UPGRADES**
- **INSTALLING NEW RESTRICTIVE MEDIANS**
- NEW ROADS



Access Restrictions at Left-Turn Lanes



Access Restrictions at Forward Jughandles **ROW NOTE** = No Access

ROW NOTE for Jughandle

"HOWEVER, FUTURE ACCESS SHALL BE PERMITTED CONSISTENT WITH THE DESIGN OF A TYPE 'A' JUGHANDLE (ILLUSTRATED IN FIGURE 6-U FROM THE NJDOT DESIGN MANUAL)."

National Cooperative Highway Research Program

NCHRP Report 420

Impacts of Access Management Techniques

Transportation Research Board

National Research Council

TABLE 4 Accident rate indexes

Total Access Points Per Mile (Both Directions)	Accident Rate Index	
10	1.0	
20	1.4	
30	1.8	
40	2.1	
50	2.5	
60	3.0	
70	3.5	

Process Activities

John Jones

Activities

• 1150 - Initiate Access Impacts

The initial review of access for every property within the project limits, conducted during scoping

• 2080 - Prepare Access Cut-outs

Using "input" criteria, Consultant or OAD staff develops the detailed access cutouts for property owner notification

• 2090 - Review Access Cut-outs

Review proposed access for each property for conformance with the Access Code

• 2100 - Administer Access Revocations and Modification

(also includes Adjustments & Changes)

OAD notifies owners and establishes the access for each property

2100: Administer Access Revocations and Modifications

ACTIVITIES:

- Prepare property owner notification letter, attach cutouts and send by certified mail
- If property owner appeals, schedule informal meeting (Manager Civil Engineering, Office of Access Design Case Manager, DAG, Owner and Owner Representatives)
- Hold informal meeting and address owner concerns
- Prepare response to owner based on informal meeting
- Address any subsequent appeal

Timeframes Modification Appeal Process

		STEP DAYS
•	Owner requests informal meeting with Manager Civil Eng'g	30
•	Informal meeting scheduled	5
•	Informal meeting held	30
•	Manager Civil Engineering responds to owner	30
•	Owner accepts or appeals decision to Director Design Service	s 40
•	Director schedules hearing	5
•	Director holds hearing	30
•	Director makes Final Agency Determination	30
	<u>Total</u>	200

Timeframes Revocation Appeal Process

		<u>STEP</u>
		DAYS
•	Owner requests informal meeting with Manager Civil Eng'g	30
•	Informal meeting scheduled	5
•	Informal meeting held	30
•	Manager Civil Engineering responds to owner	30
•	Owner accepts or appeals decision to OAL	40
•	Manager Civil Engineering requests OAL hearing	15
•	OAL holds hearing	120
•	OAL Judge makes recommendation to Commissioner	75
•	Commissioner makes Final Agency Determination	45
A	ug 3, 1999 Office of Access Design Total	<i>390</i> ₃

Definitions of

Revocations

Modifications

Adjustments

Changes

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N.J.A.C. 16:47-4.33 (d)

Modification of Access

N.J.A.C. 16:47-4.33 (c)

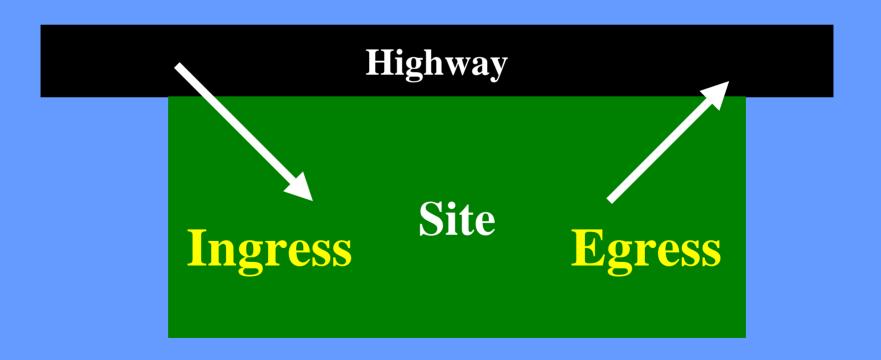
Adjustment of Access

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Change of Access

(Not in Regulations)

Access = Ingress + Egress

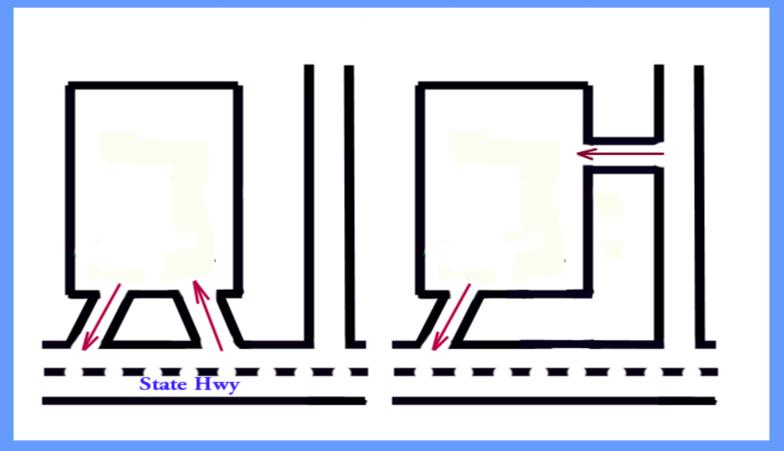


- 1. Eliminating **DIRECT INGRESS**
- 2. Eliminating **DIRECT EGRESS**
- 3. Eliminating DIRECT INGRESS and EGRESS

AND

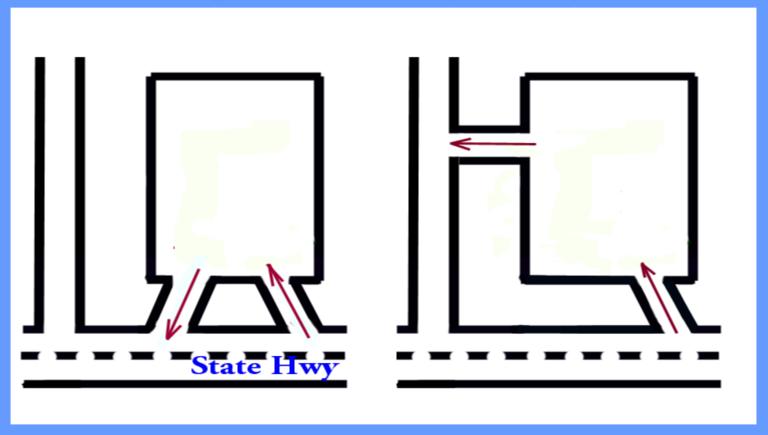
Providing alternative access to a street, highway, easement, service road or common driveway <u>other</u> than the subject State highway

Example 1: Eliminating direct ingress



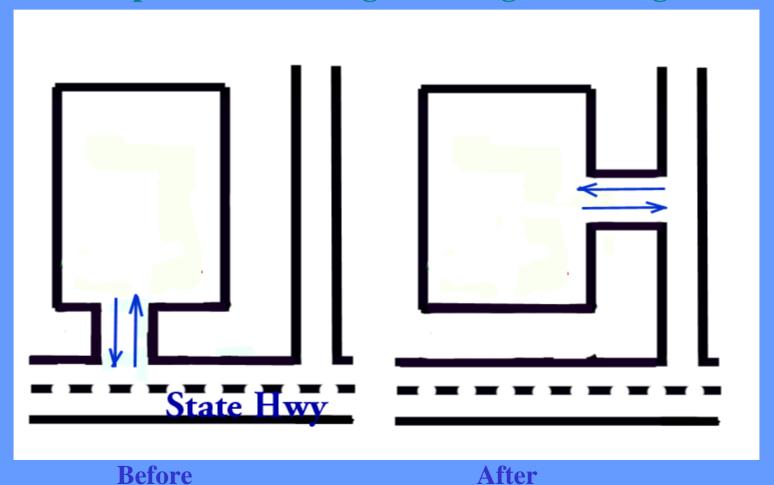
Before After

Example 2: Eliminating direct egress



Before After

Example 3: Eliminating direct ingress and egress



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REVOCATION OF ACCESS

What is Reasonable Alternative Access?

Reasonable Alternative Access

• Commercial Property

Access onto any parallel or perpendicular roadway* which is of sufficient design to support commercial traffic and is convenient, direct and well marked

• Industrial Property

Access onto any improved roadway* which is of sufficient design to support necessary truck/employee access as required by the industry

• Residential/Agricultural Property

Access onto any improved public street or highway

* street-highway-easement-service road-common driveway

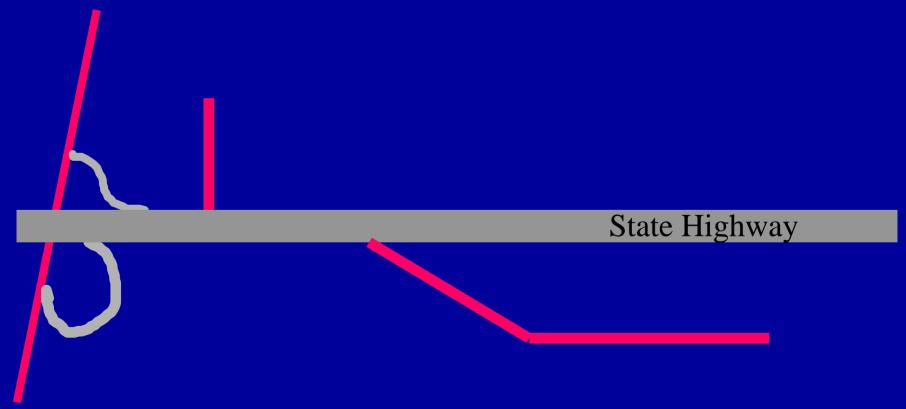
Revocation of Commercial Access

Reasonable Alternative Access Five Tests

- 1. Alternative access is provided via a <u>parallel or</u> <u>perpendicular</u> street, highway, easement, service road or common driveway
- 2. Of <u>sufficient design</u> to support commercial traffic to and from the business or use
- 3. Convenient
- 4. <u>Direct</u>
- 5. Well-marked means of reaching the site and returning to the State highway

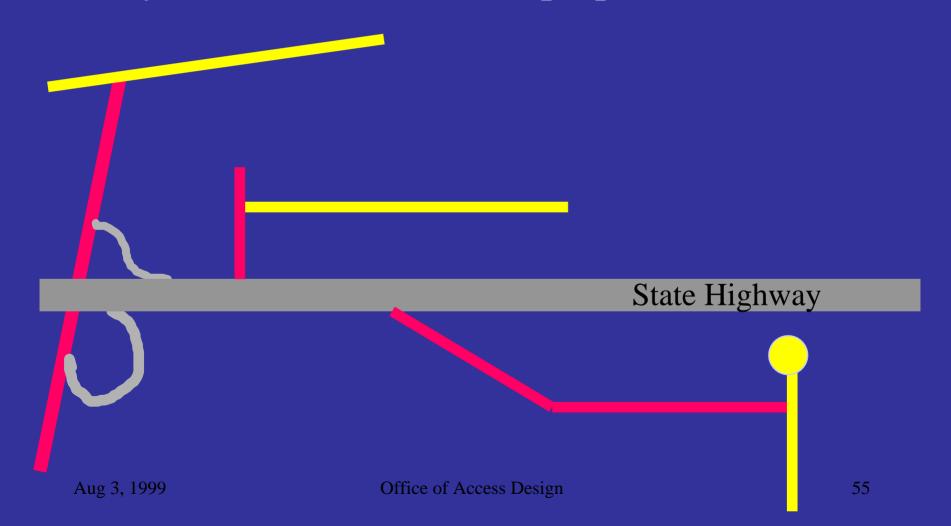
Revocation of Commercial Access Test 1A Perpendicular Streets

(Any street that intersects a highway)



Revocation of Commercial Access Test 1B Parallel Streets

(Any street that intersects a perpendicular street)



Revocation of Commercial Access Test 2 Sufficiency of Design

- The path can carry the size and type of traffic for the commercial use
- Capacity to handle the anticipated volume of traffic, as of the date of the notice to the owner
- Pavement strength to handle the weight of the anticipated traffic
- Driveways must handle anticipated volume, size and type of vehicles

Revocation of Commercial Access Test 3Convenient

Do the alternative ingress and egress:

- Fit with the site?
- Line up with traffic circulation aisles?
- Serve loading areas, drive-up windows, etc.?

Revocation of Commercial Access Test 4 Direct

- Relatively straight
- There are limited choices along the path

Revocation of Commercial Access Test 5Well-marked

- Signs are provided to direct motorists from the existing ingress to the alternative ingress and from the existing egress back to the highway
- A sign will be provided at each place where a motorist will have to make a decision
- Signs:
 - 8 square feet
 - White message on blue or green background
 - Maintained for at least one year

Alternative Access Signing

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Revocation of Commercial Access

Recommended Sign Placements

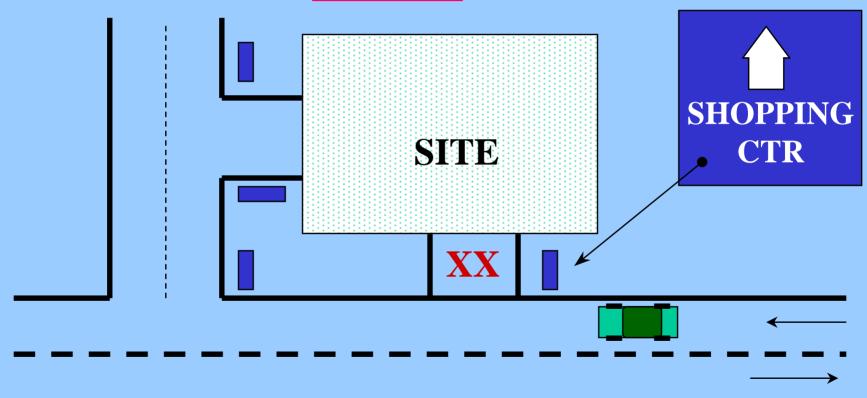
- Site is <u>upstream or downstream</u> of Alternative Access
- Highway is <u>undivided</u> or <u>divided</u>

Revocation of Commercial Access

Recommended Sign Placements

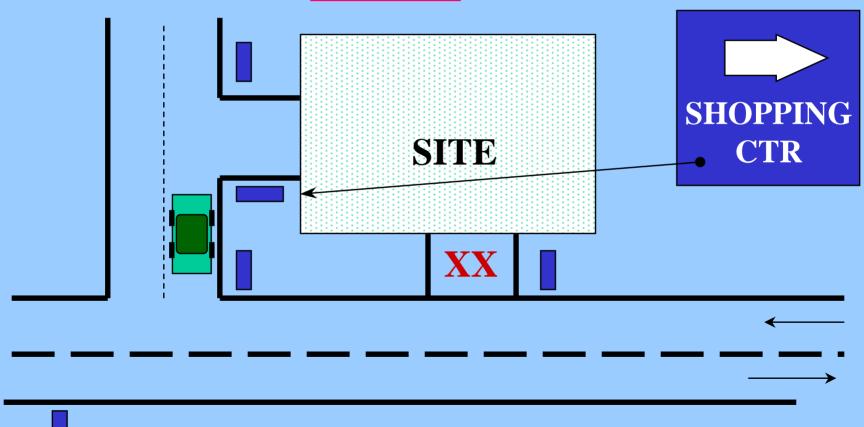
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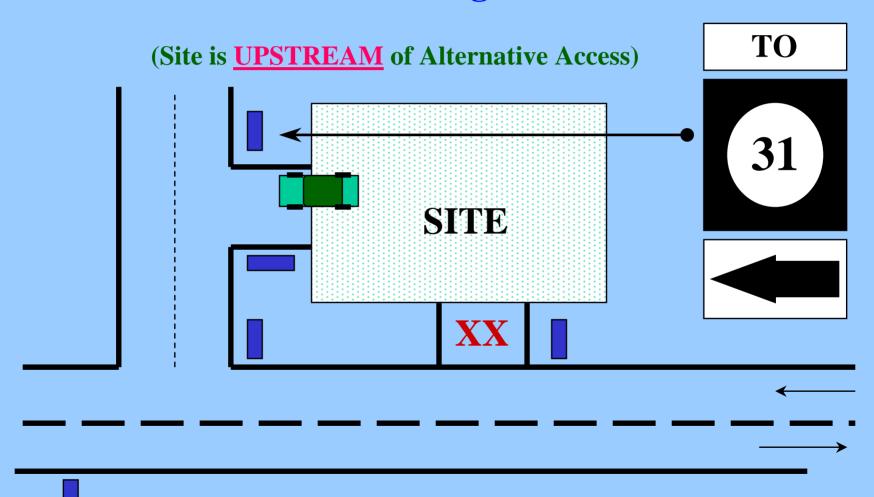
(Site is **UPSTREAM** of Alternative Access)



(Site is **UPSTREAM** of Alternative Access) **SHOPPING** SITE **CTR** XX

(Site is **UPSTREAM** of Alternative Access)





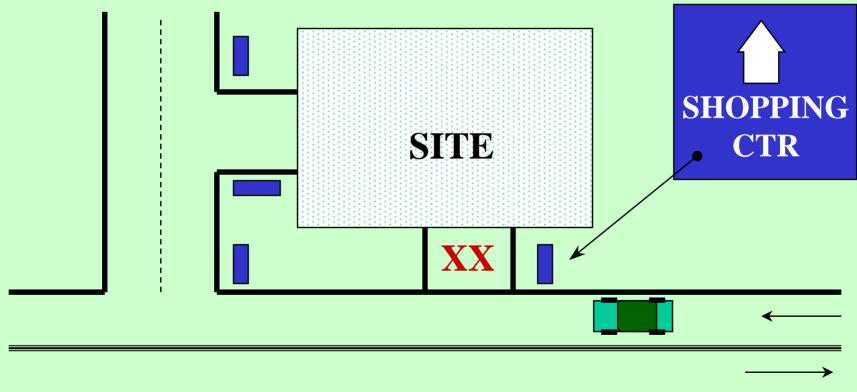
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Revocation of Commercial Access

Recommended Sign Placements

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- Highway is <u>divided</u>

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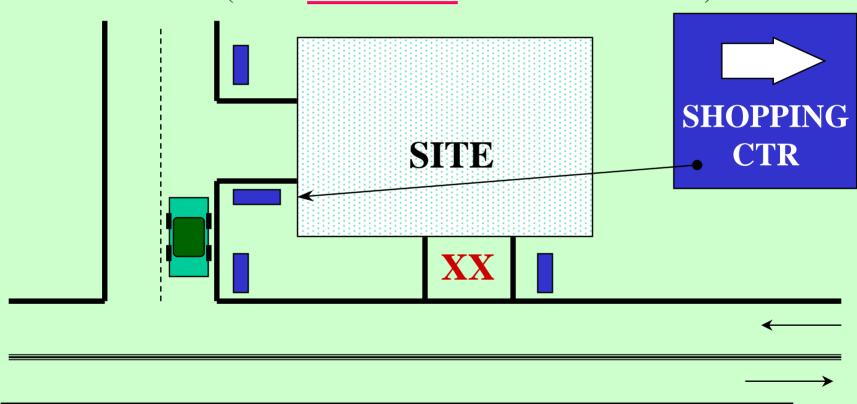


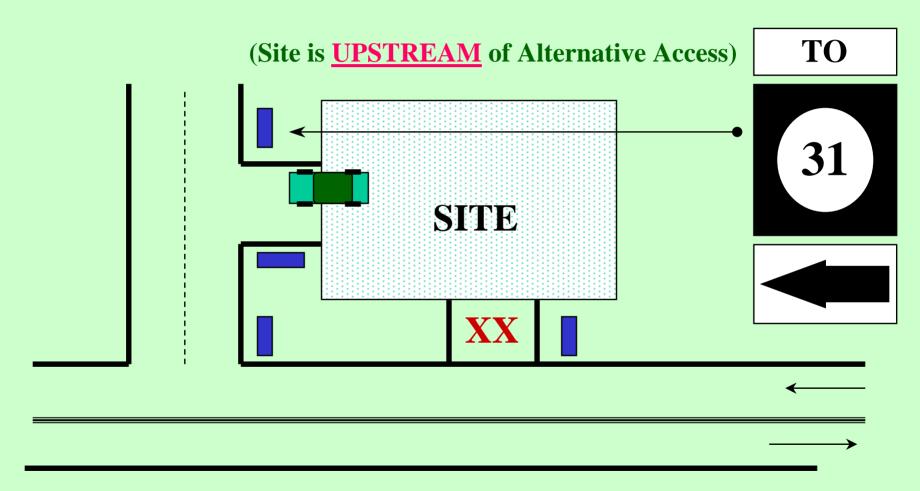
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CTR



(Site is **UPSTREAM** of Alternative Access)



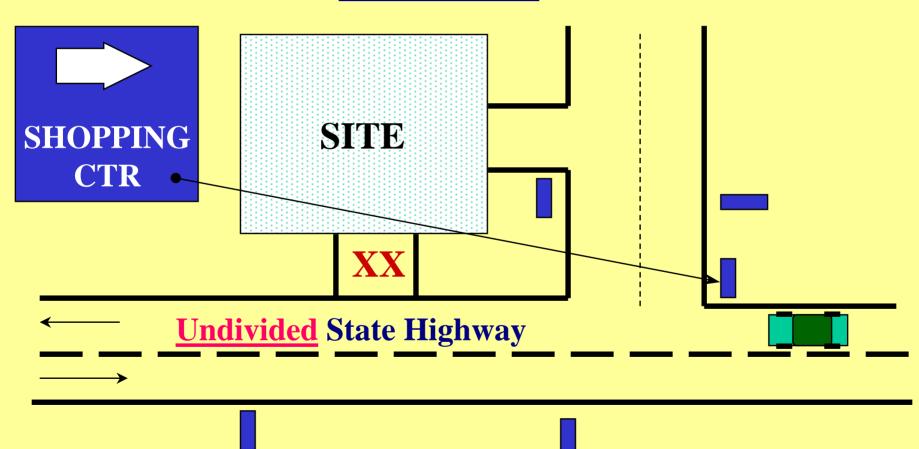


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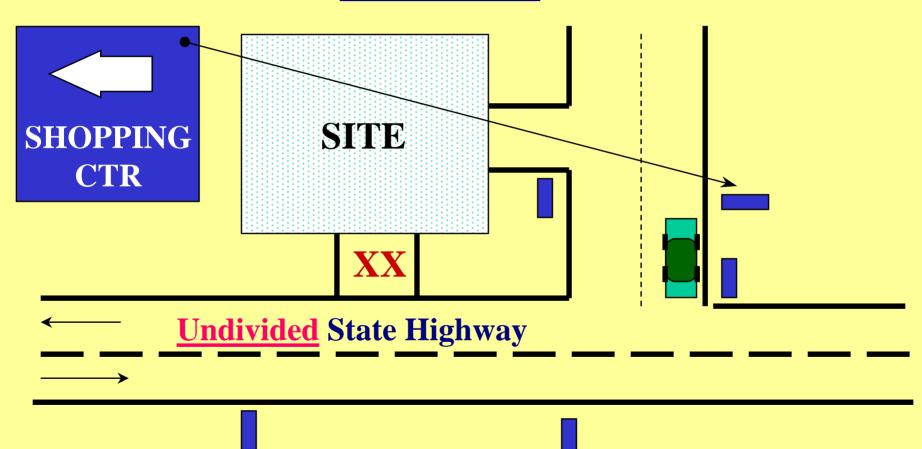
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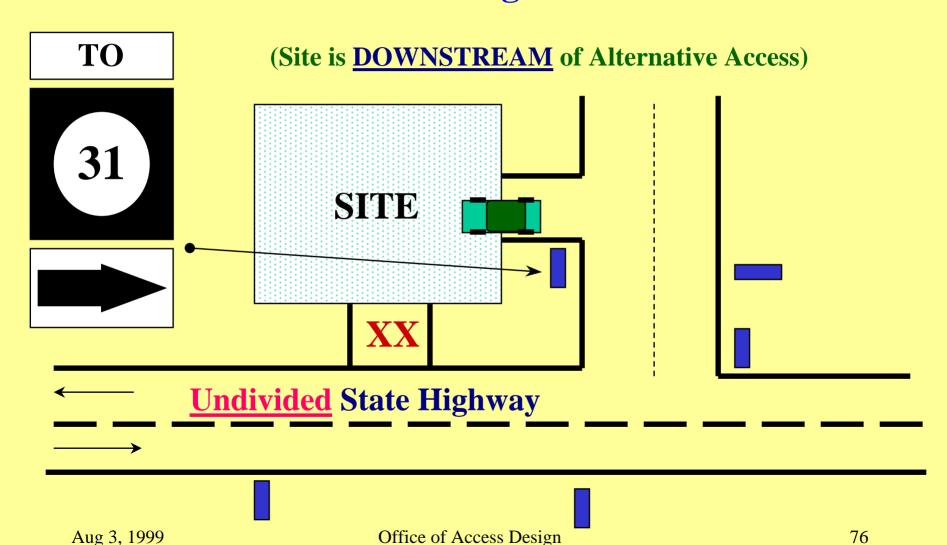
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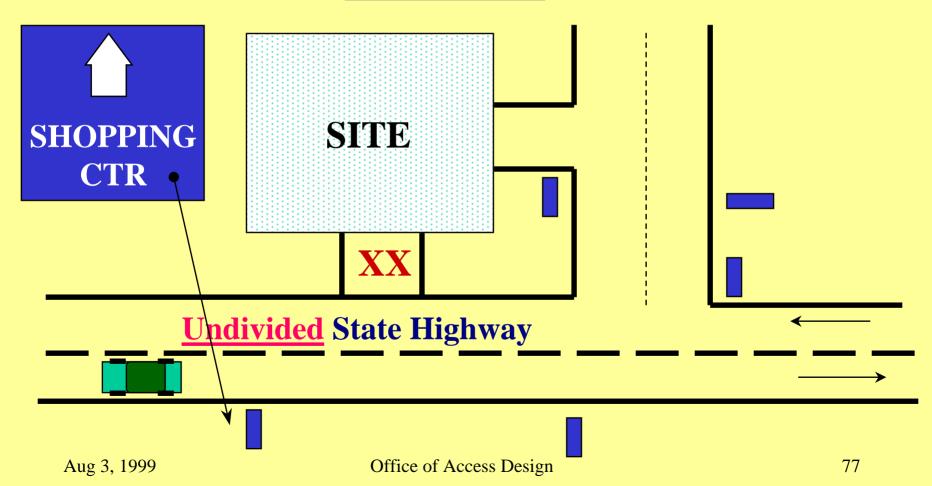


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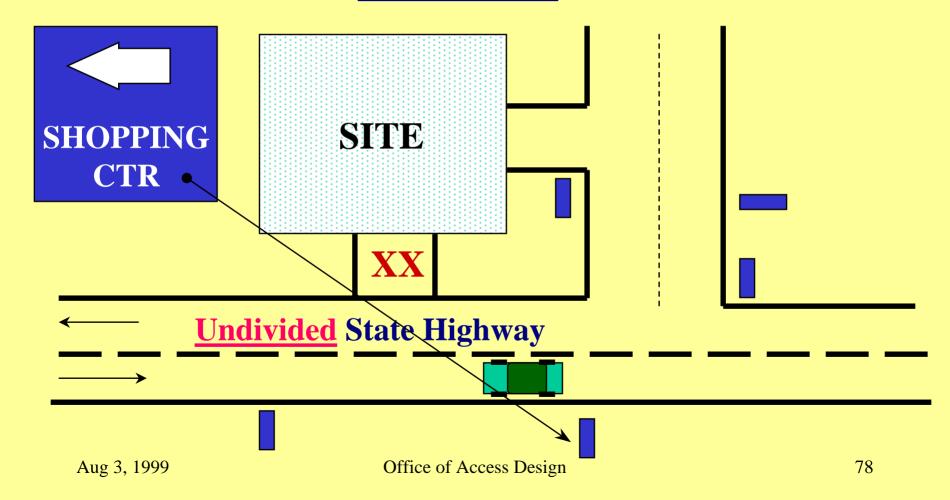




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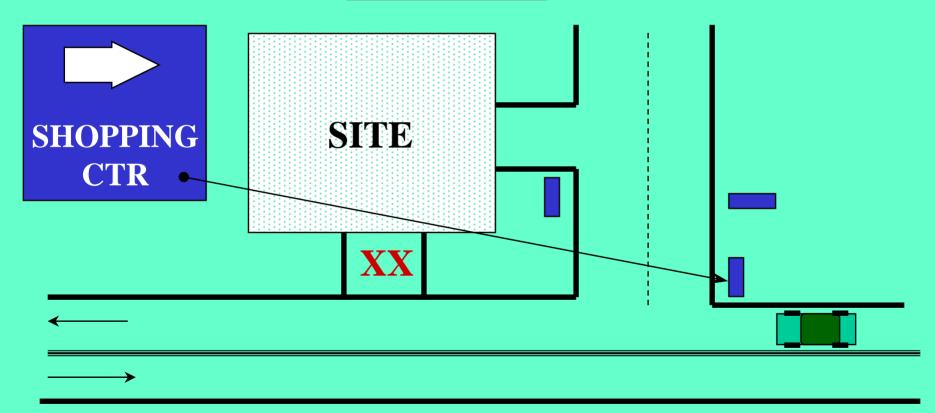


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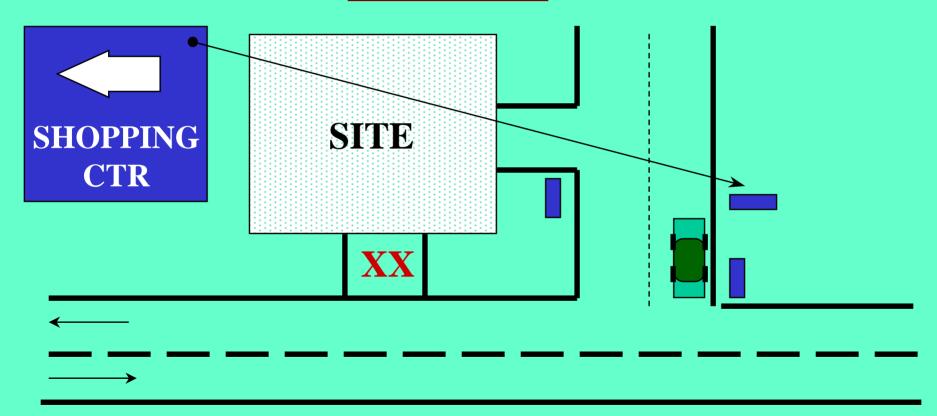
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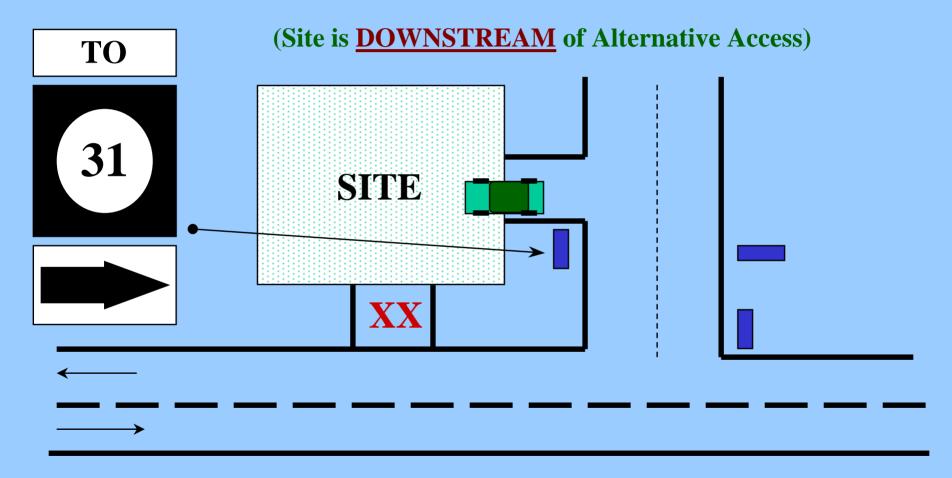
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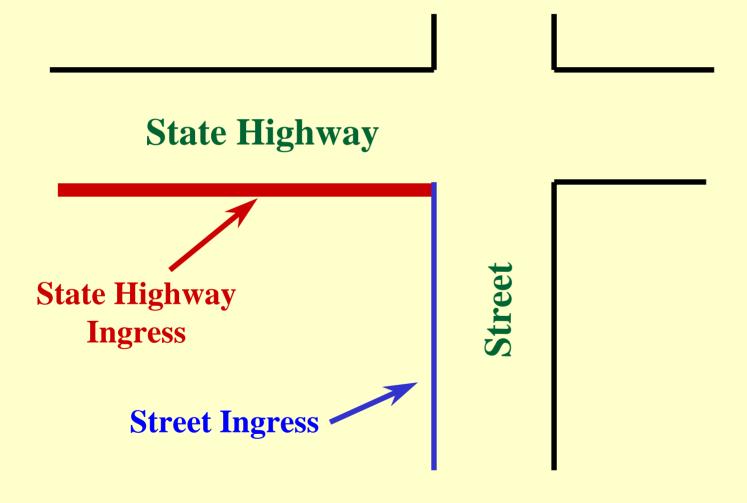




Where is Existing Access?

- Access
 - Ingress
 - Egress
- Road
 - State highway
 - Non-State highway
- Intersection
 - Street
 - Jughandle (Forward and Reverse)
 - Interchange

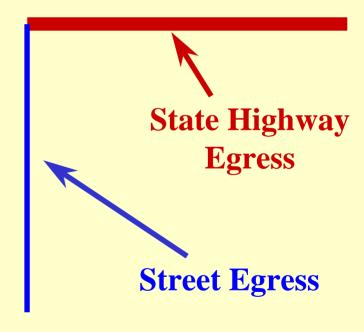
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Street Intersection Egress

State Highway



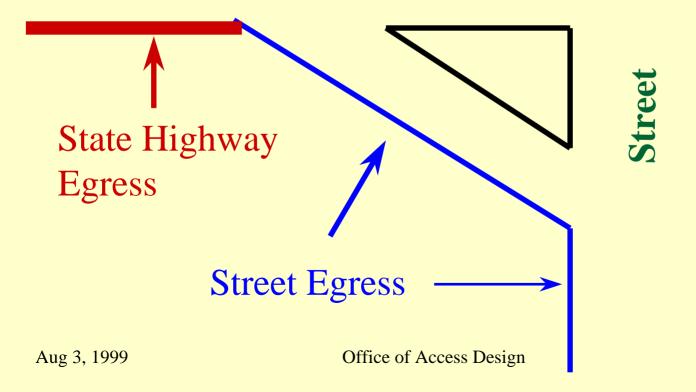


Forward Jughandle Ingress

State Highway Street State Highway **Ingress Street Ingress** Office of Access Design 86 Aug 3, 1999

Forward Jughandle Egress

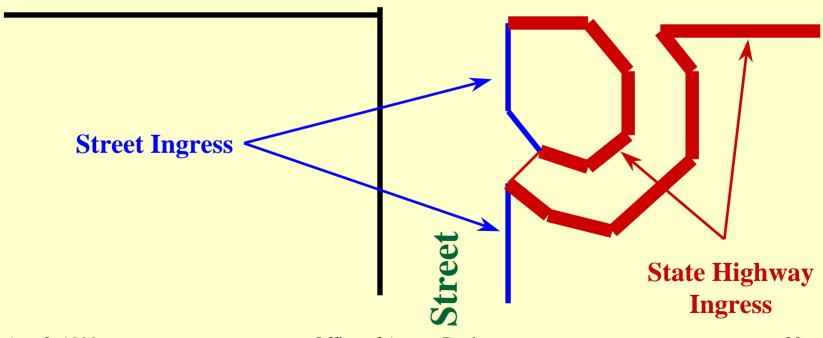
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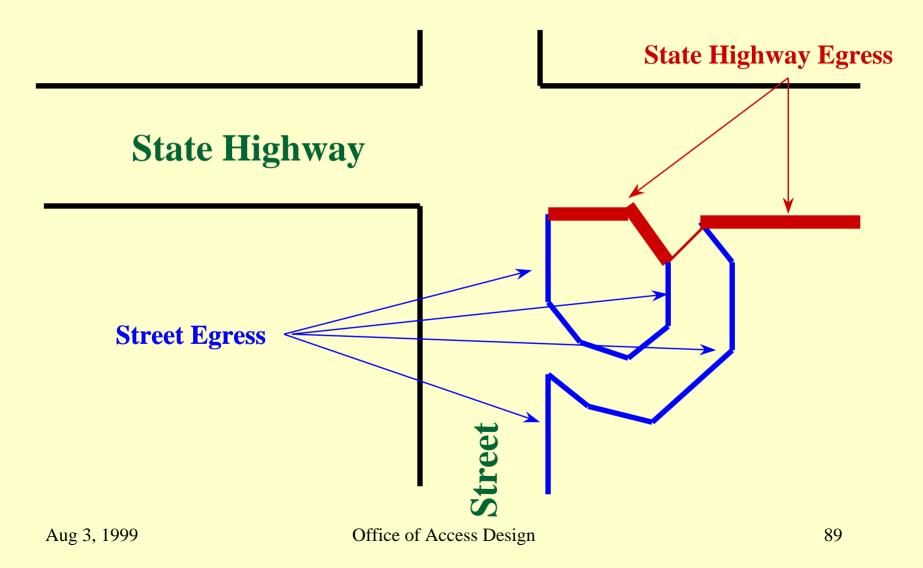
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Reverse Jughandle Ingress

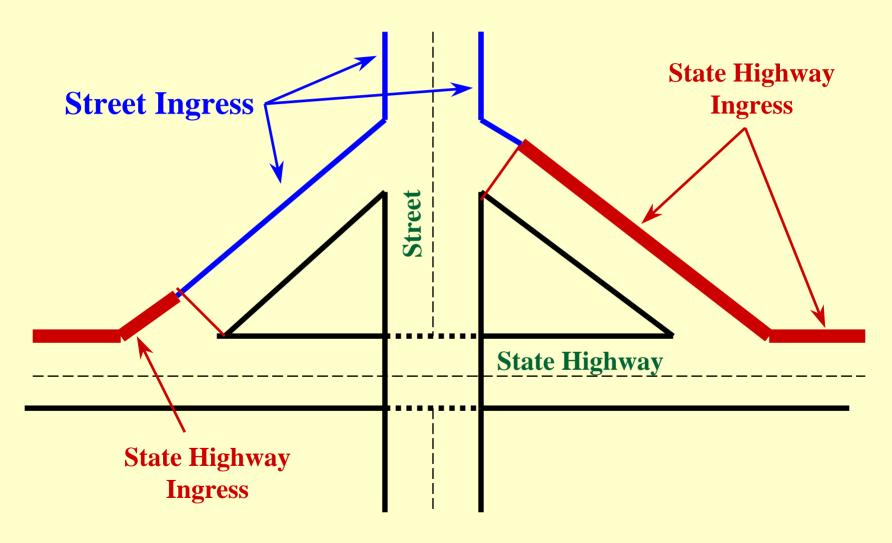
State Highway



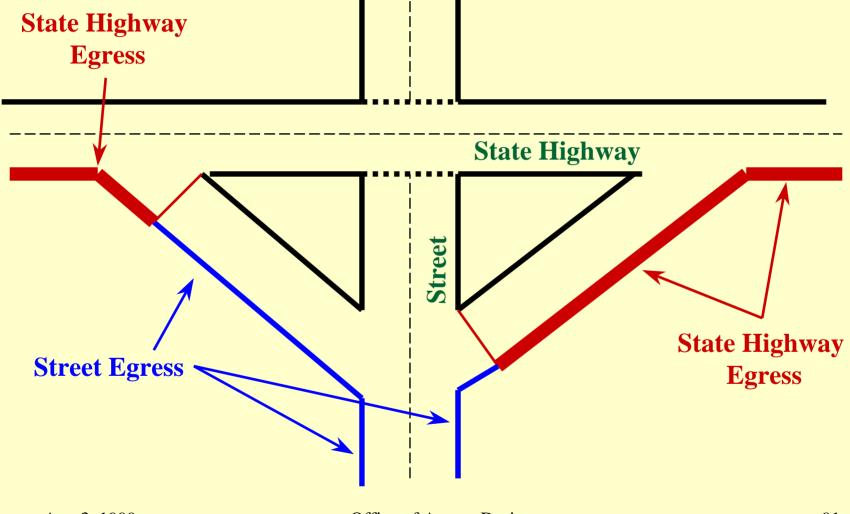
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Interchange Ingress



Interchange Egress



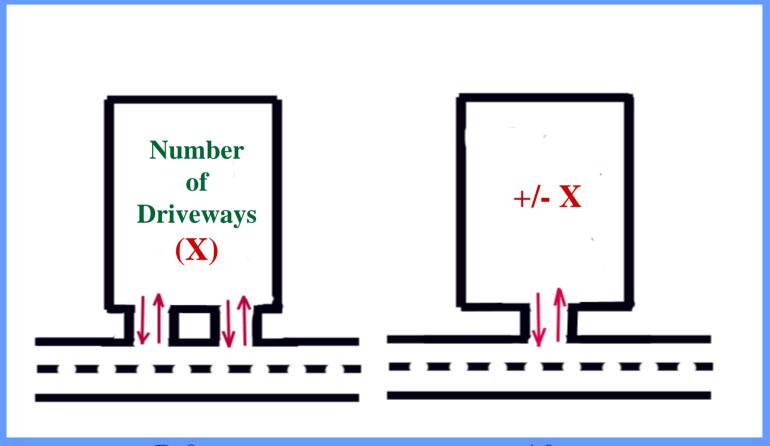
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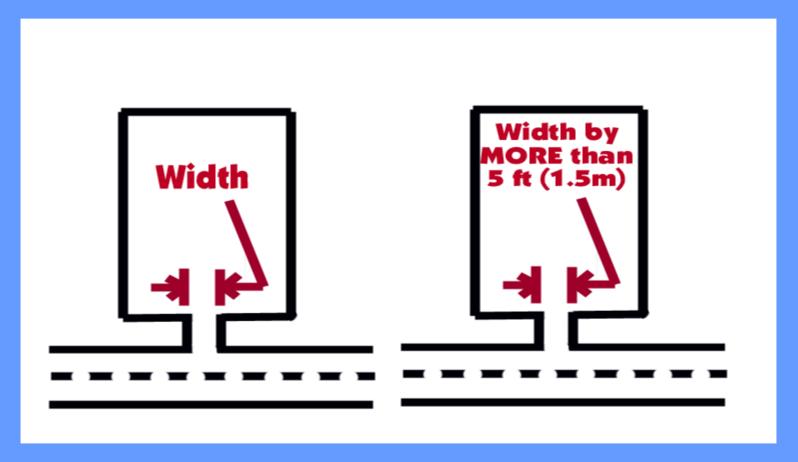
- 1. Changing the **NUMBER** of access points
- 2. Changing the WIDTH of an access point by MORE than 5 feet (1.5 meters)

3. Changing the <u>LOCATION</u> of an access point by <u>MORE than 10 feet (3 meters)</u>

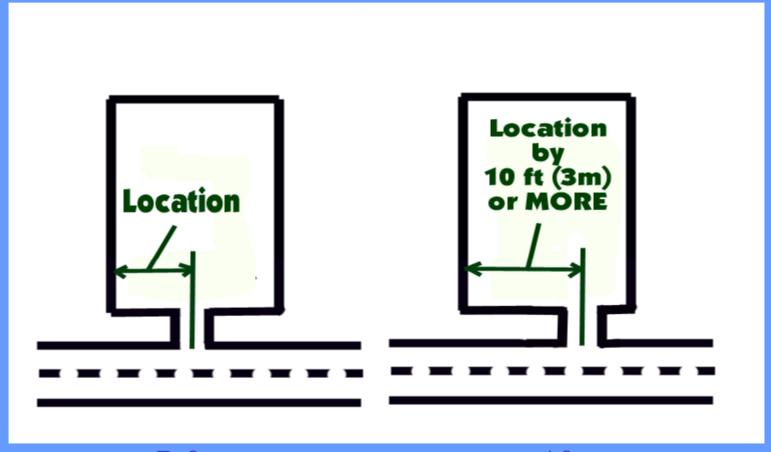
Example 1: Changing number of driveways



Example 2: Changing width by more than 5 feet



Example 3: Changing location by more than 10 feet



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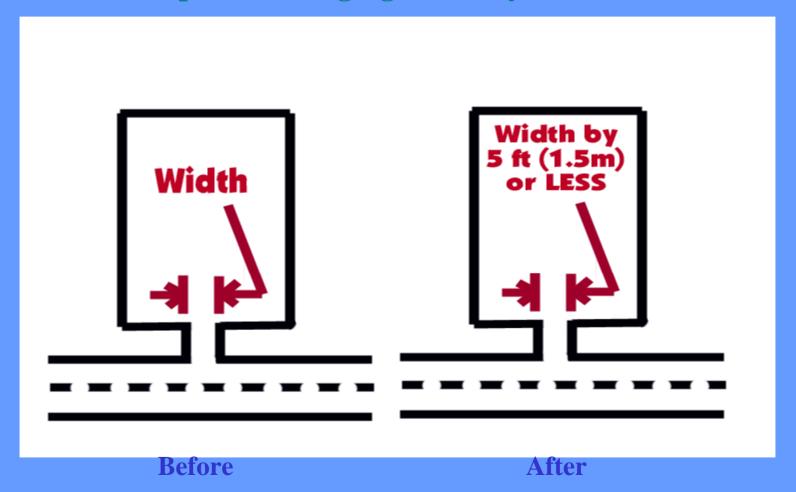
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1. Changing <u>WIDTH</u> of an access point by <u>5 feet</u> (1.5 meters) or <u>LESS</u>

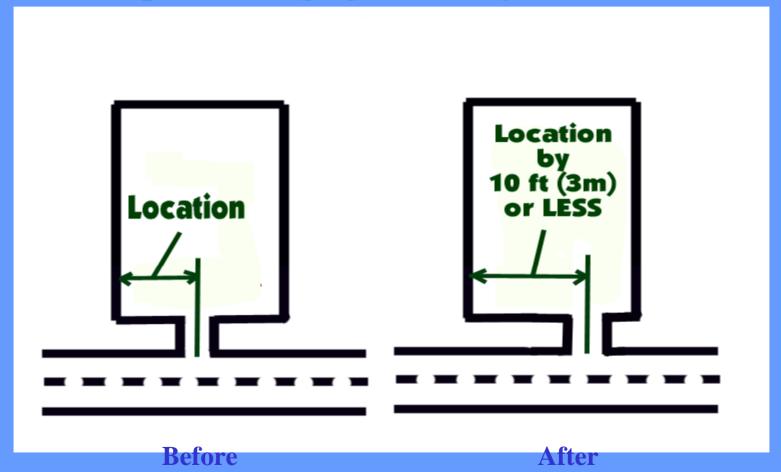
2. Changing the <u>LOCATION</u> of an access point by <u>10 feet (3 meters) or LESS</u>

3. Moving an access point <u>away from the</u> <u>centerline</u> of the highway

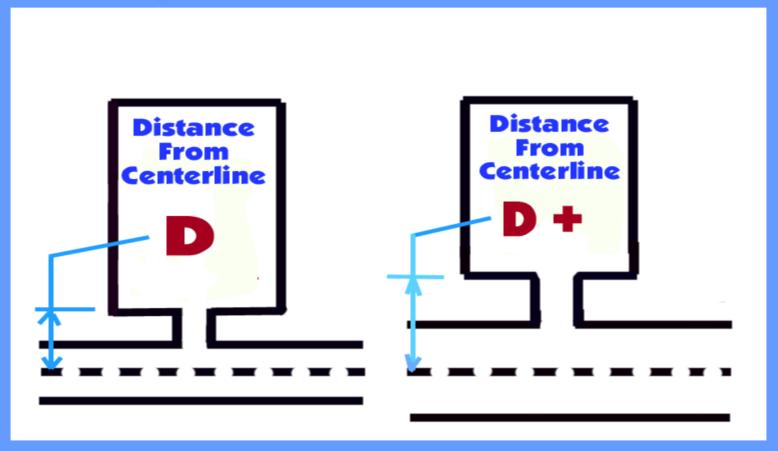
Example 1: Changing width by 5 feet or Less



Example 2: Changing location by 10 feet or Less



Example 3: Moving away from the Centerline



Definitions of Revocations

Modifications

Adjustments

Changes

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Change of Access

 Change of Access is the Non-State highway equivalent of a State highway Access Revocation, Modification or Adjustment

- Notifications are like those for Modifications or Adjustments
- Any appeals are administered like those for Modifications of Access

COMMON DRIVEWAY PROBLEMS

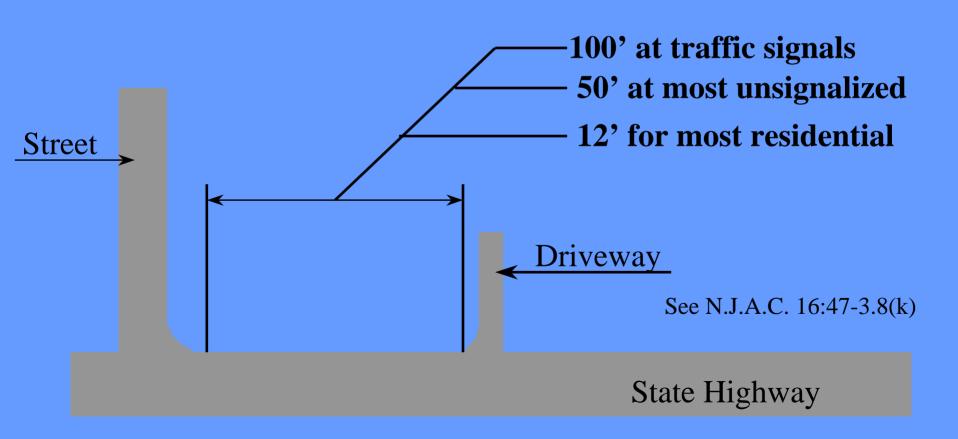
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- Too many existing driveways
- Driveways too close to intersections
- Owner has invaded the right of way
- Owner wants betterments

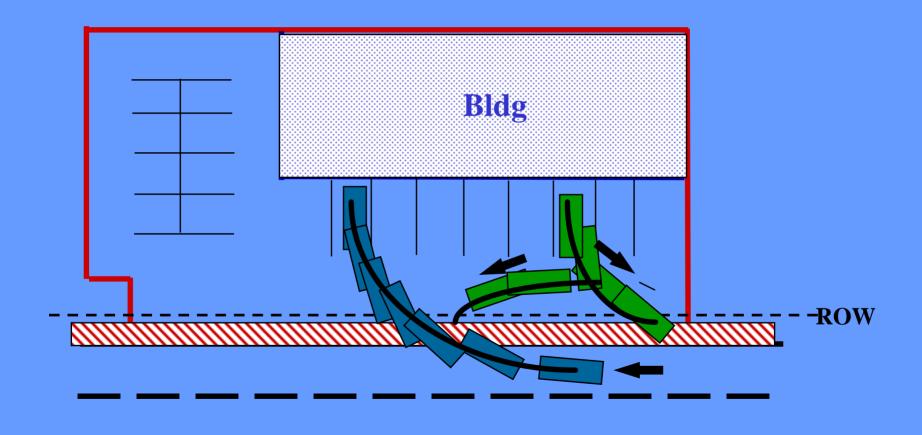
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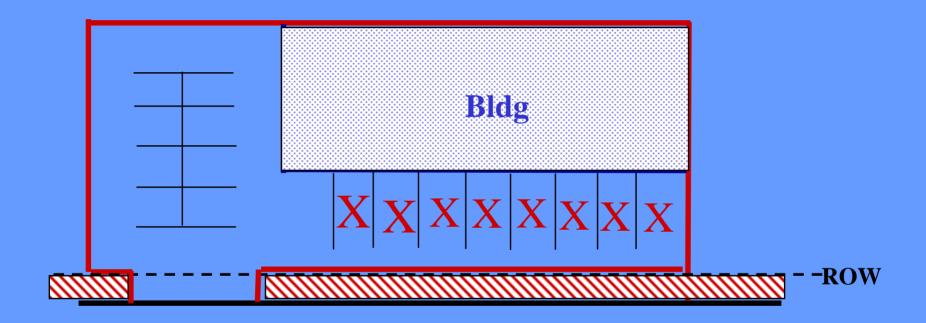
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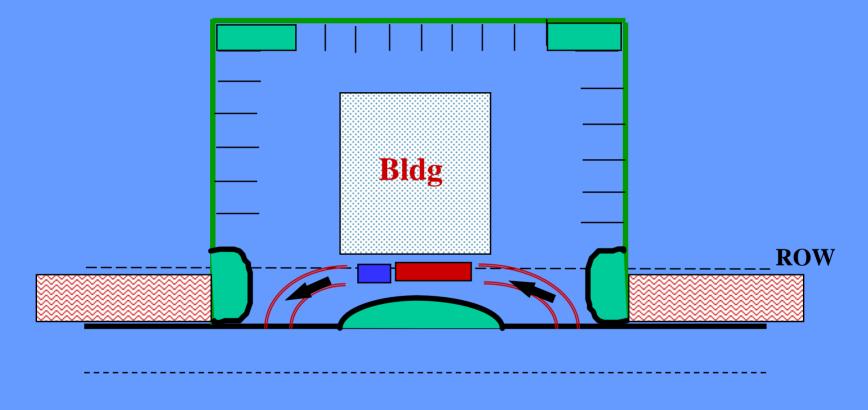
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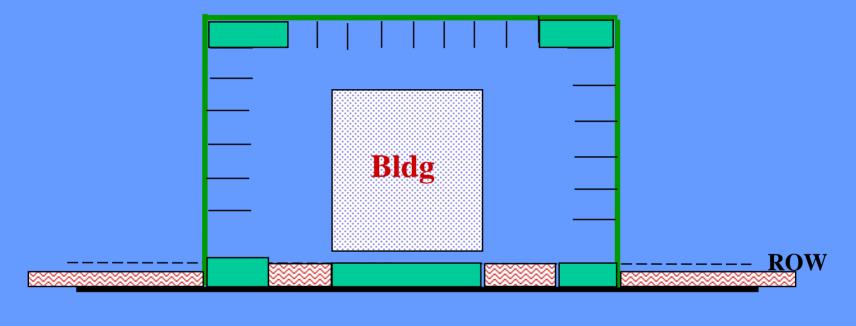
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Before



What are the most common problems?

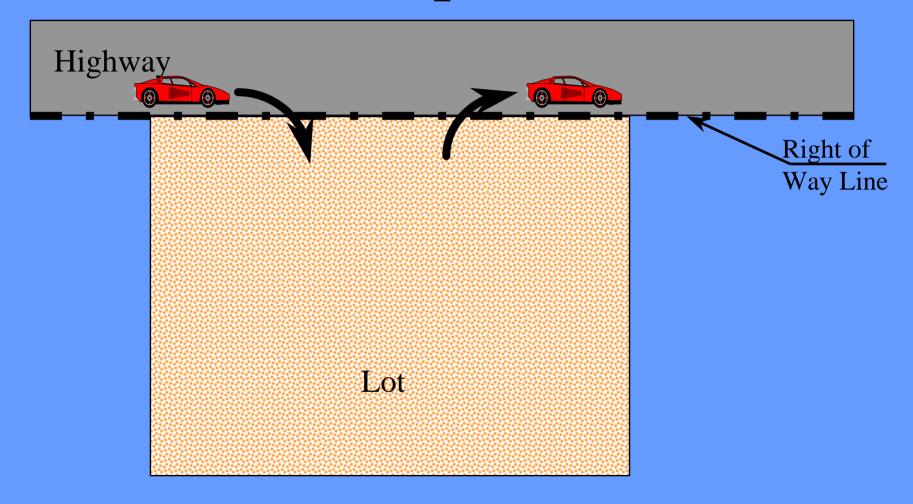
Owner wants betterments

- One driveway before Two driveways after
- Ingress only before Ingress and egress after

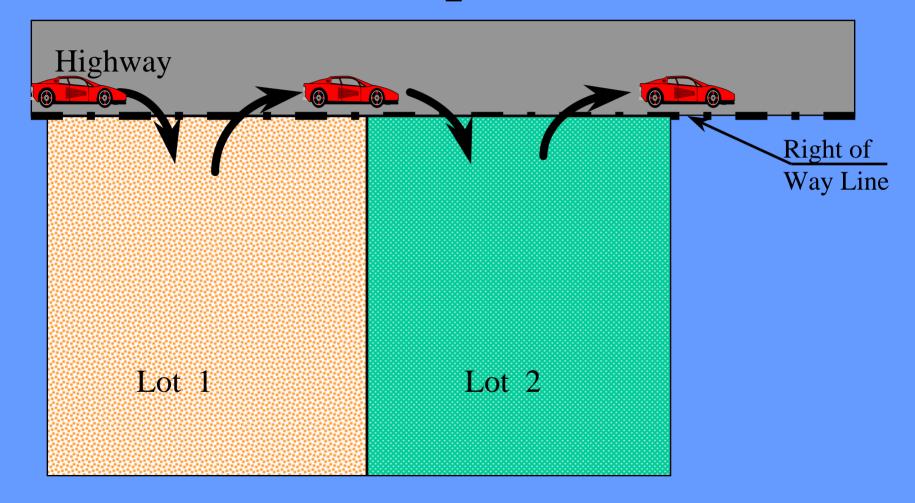
Access - Dependent Parcels

(Lots that share access)

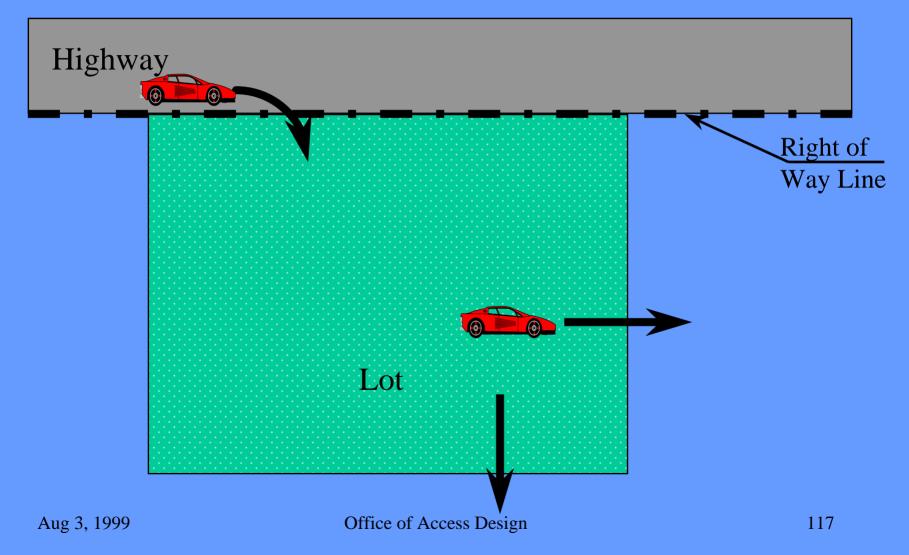
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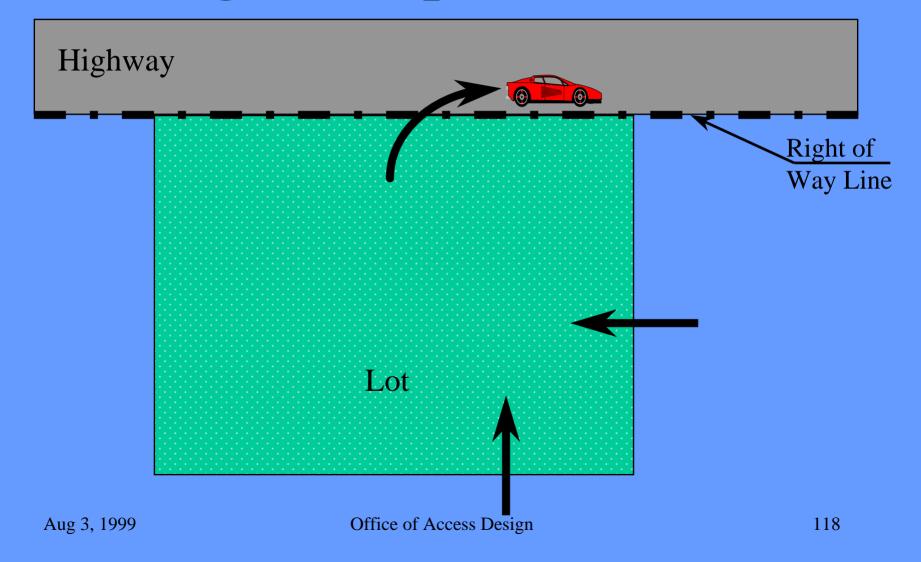
2 Access Independent Lots



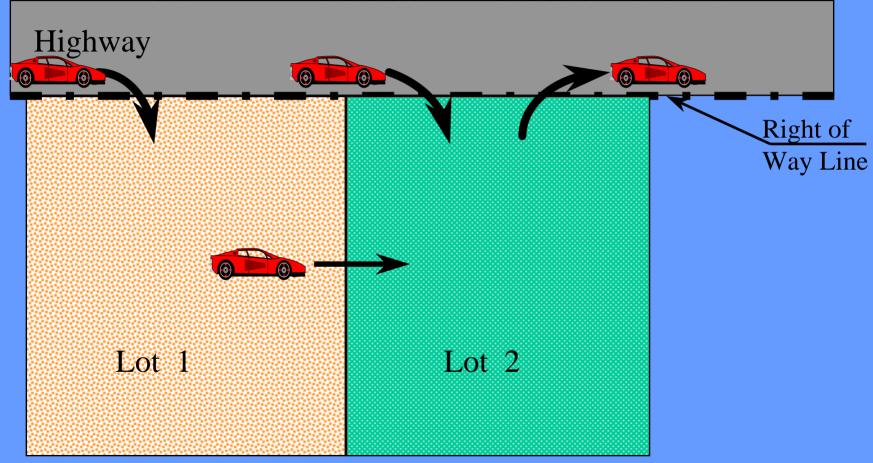
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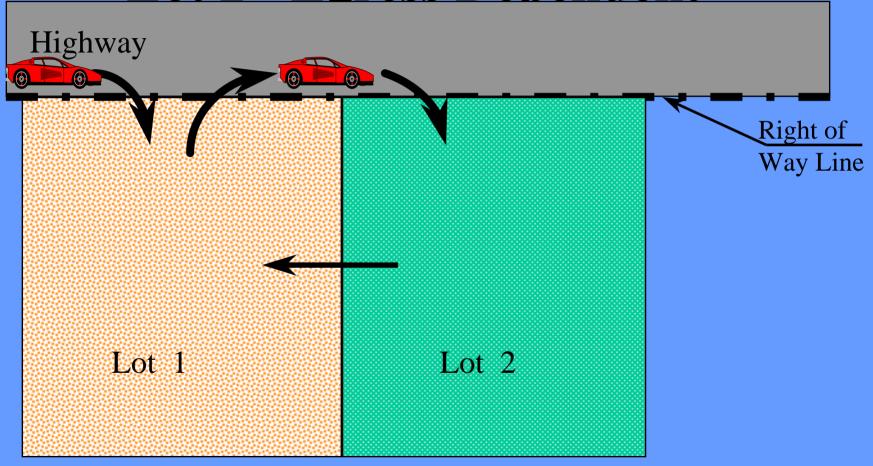
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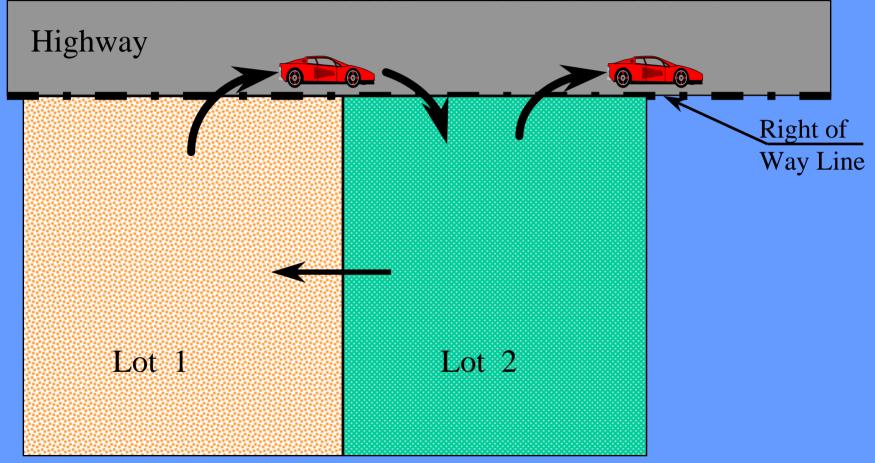
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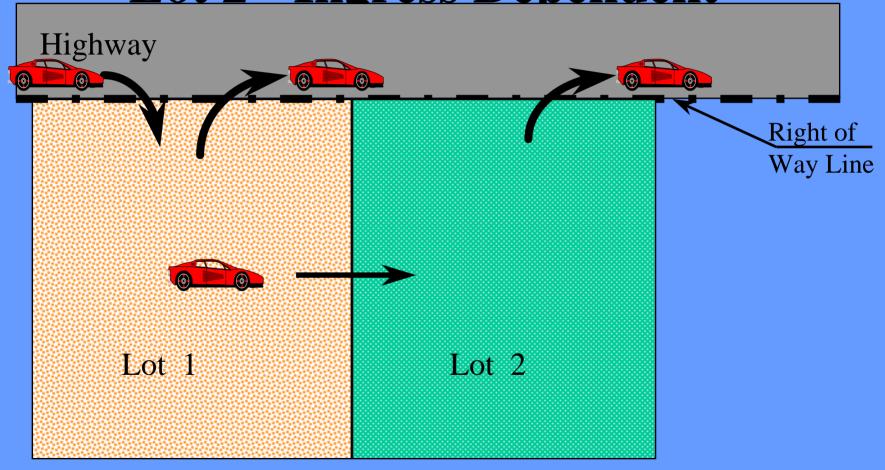
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Lot 1 - Ingress Dependent Lot 2 - Access Independent



Lot 1 - Access Independent Lot 2 - Ingress Dependent



Access Cutouts

John Jones

Preparation of Access Cutouts

Following the establishment of the project's geometry the designer will prepare detailed access cutouts that will be used for property owner notification, based on:

- ROW Lines (Existing & Proposed)
- Property Lines (Existing & Proposed)
- Slope Lines (Existing & Proposed)
- Denial of Access Lines (Existing & Proposed)
- Traffic Striping (Existing & Proposed)
- Driveways(Existing & Proposed with limits of paving)
- Drainage & Sign Structures (Existing & Proposed)
- Guiderail (Existing & Proposed)
- Block #, Lot #, Zoning & Existing Land Use
- Existing Topography
- Existing On-Site Parking, circulation & Loading Areas

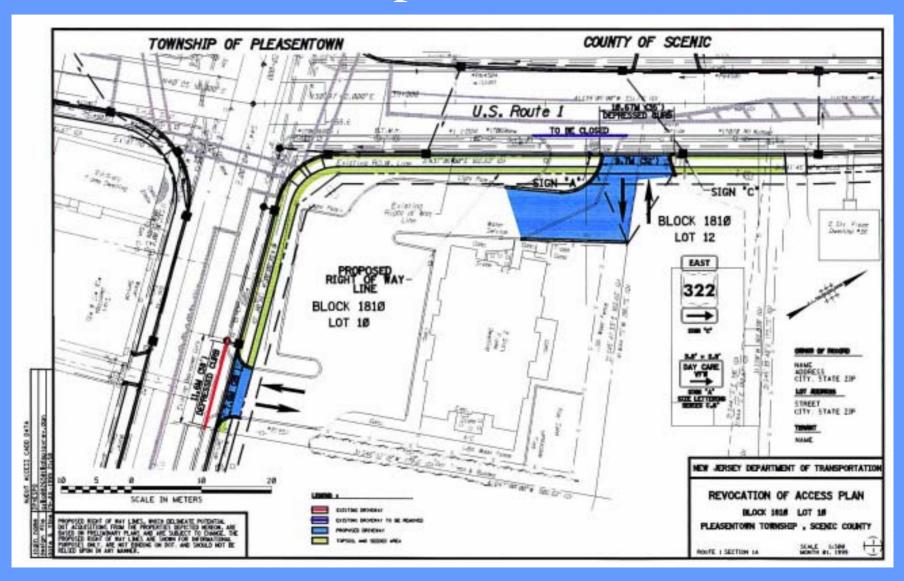
Cutout Content Requirements

- Size (sufficient to show entire property)
- Owner's Name & Address
- Legend:

- Scale of Plan
- Title Block

- Proposed ROW Line Block
- No Abbreviations
- Alternative access route & signing plan (revs only)
- Existing Driveway (**RED**)
- Existing Driveway To Be Removed (Purple)
- Proposed Driveway (Blue)
- Topsoil and Seeded Area (Green)
- Date of Plan (mm/dd/yy)
- 12 Copies (minimum)

Sample Cutout



Preparation of Access Cutouts

Consultant

- Prepare markups on the base plan
- Submit markups to OAD for review
- Prepare individual cutouts
 (Revocations, Modifications,
 Adjustments, Changes showing entire property
- Revs require a plan showing alternative access route and signing plan

- Office of Access Design
- Review submitted markups
- Arrange meeting with Project
 Manager and Consultant to
 discuss alternatives for lots with
 unique or difficult access
- Review submitted cutouts for conformity with Access Code and content requirements

Sufficiency of Access

Arthur Eisdorfer

Design Vehicles

- Passenger cars
- Single unit trucks (UPS, Fedex, etc.)
- Fuel delivery vehicles WB 15 (Gas Stations)
- Tractor trailers
 - -WB 15
 - -WB 19

Things to Consider

- Identify the vehicles that use the site
- Establish the before travel paths
 - Getting to an from the site
 - Circulating on the site
- Establish the after travel paths
 - Analyze getting to and from the site
 - Analyze circulating on the site

Sufficiency of Driveway Design

Date of road traffic volumes = Date of initial access notice

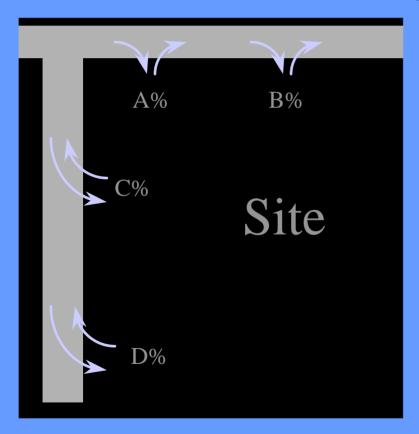
Site trip generation = ITE rates for size and type of land use

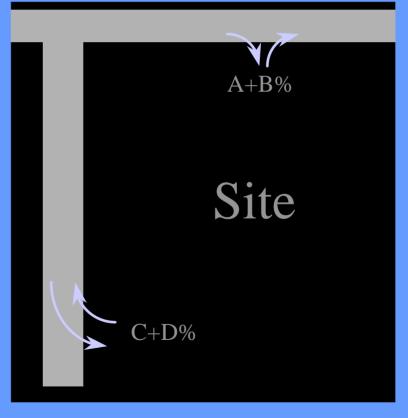
Site trip distribution = Based on traffic counts or assumptions

Hours to analyze = PM and Saturday for shopping, AM and PM for most other land uses

Driveway LOS standard = A-E>> 45 seconds Urban, 30 seconds Rural

F>>no worse than no-build





Before After

Sufficiency of Design Traffic Engineering Issues (Revocations)

- Ability of alternative access roadways to handle traffic
- Ability of alternative access driveways to handle traffic

Sufficiency of Design

Analysis Before Submitting Revocation Plan

- Project traffic conditions to date of revocation notice
- Traffic for existing roads
 - DOT may have counts
 - Designer may have counts
- Site traffic
 - Use ITE trip generation rates; or
 - Use trip generation from Appendix E1

Sufficiency of Design Analysis Before Submitting Revocation Plan

- Traffic counts may be needed to establish distribution for sites with multiple driveways
- Use Highway Capacity Manual analyses for
 - Signalized and unsignalized intersections
 - Merges and diverges, etc.
- Present results in tables

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS