

2024 REGIONAL FUNDING COMPETITION

EAST VALLEY HIGHWAY WIDENING PROJECT

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REGIONAL PROJECT EVALUATION COMMITTEE (RPEC)

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Public Works Department

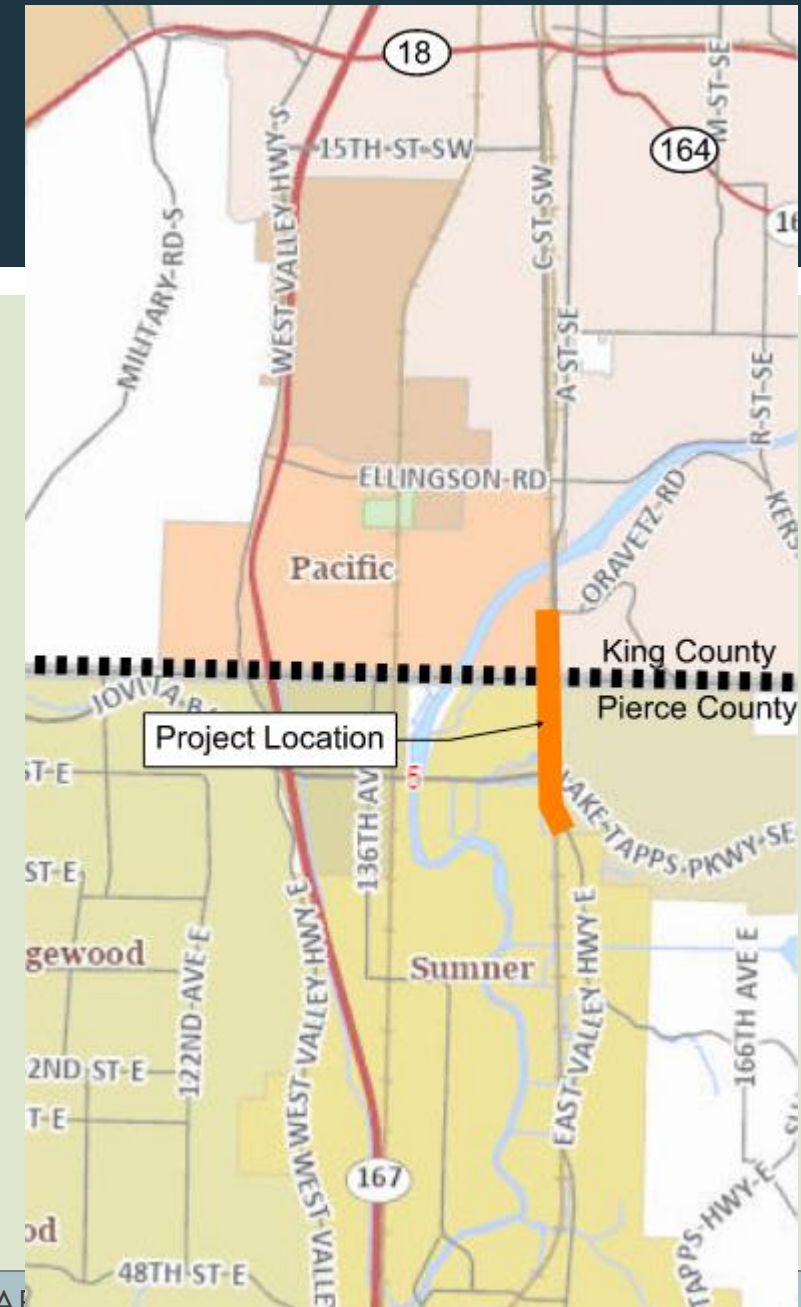
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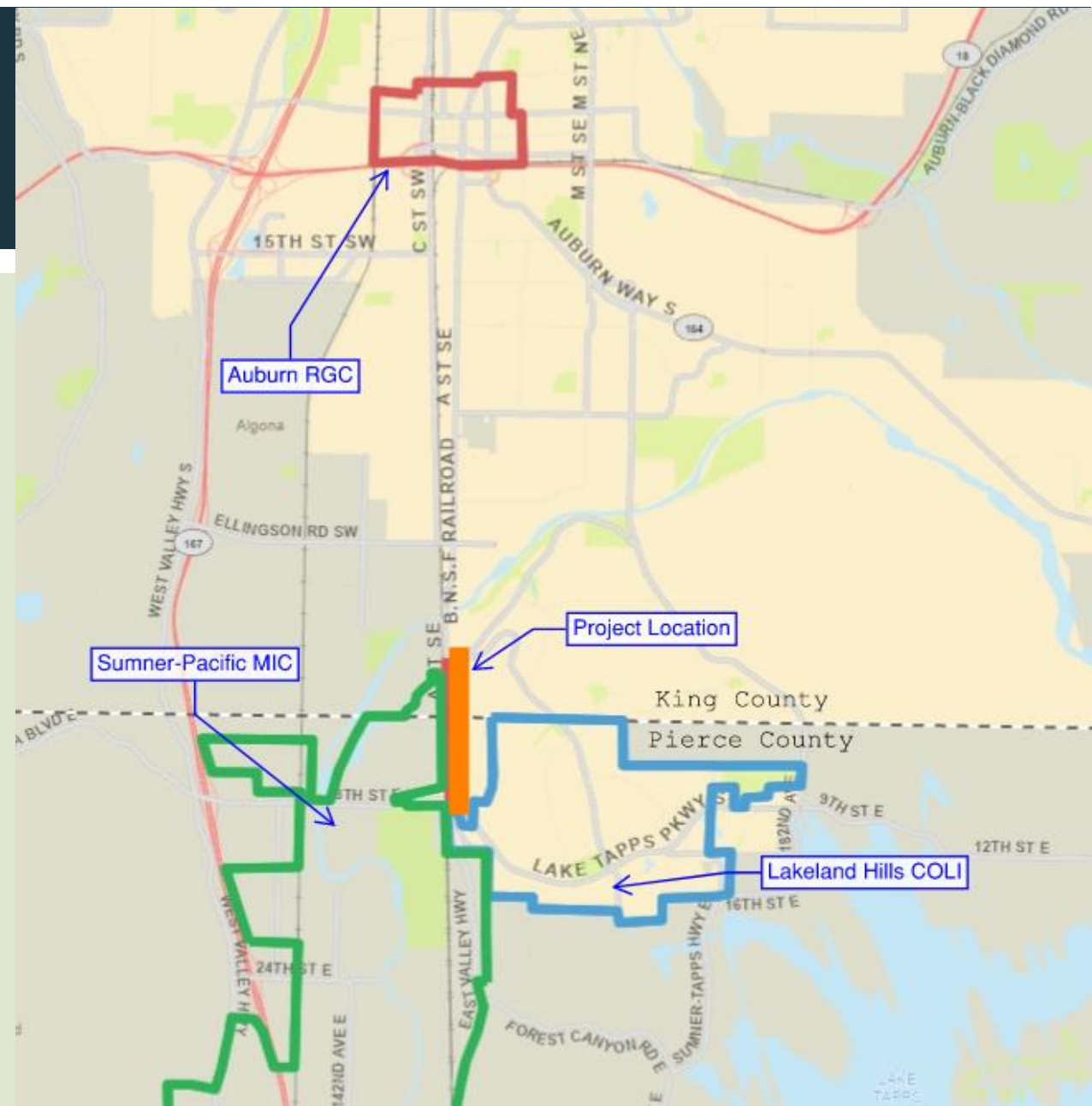
PROJECT LOCATION

- **East Valley Highway from Lakeland Hills Way to City Limits w/Sumner**
 - Approx. 1-mile length (1,700 feet in King County, 4,000 feet in Pierce County)
 - Three signalized intersections (Lakeland Hills Way, Terrace Drive, East Valley Access Road)



PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

- **Corridor Serves Centers**
 - Auburn Regional Growth Center
 - Sumner-Pacific MIC
 - Lakeland Hills COLI
- **General Areas Served**
 - Adjacent Corridor
 - Areas South of Corridor



EQUITY FOCUS AREAS SERVED BY PROJECT

	People of Color	People w/low incomes	People w/ disabilities	Older Population	Youth	Limited English	Opportunity Index
Auburn RGC							Very Low/Low
Sumner MIC							Low
Areas Along Project Corridor							Very Low/Low
Areas Served by Project South of Corridor							Low

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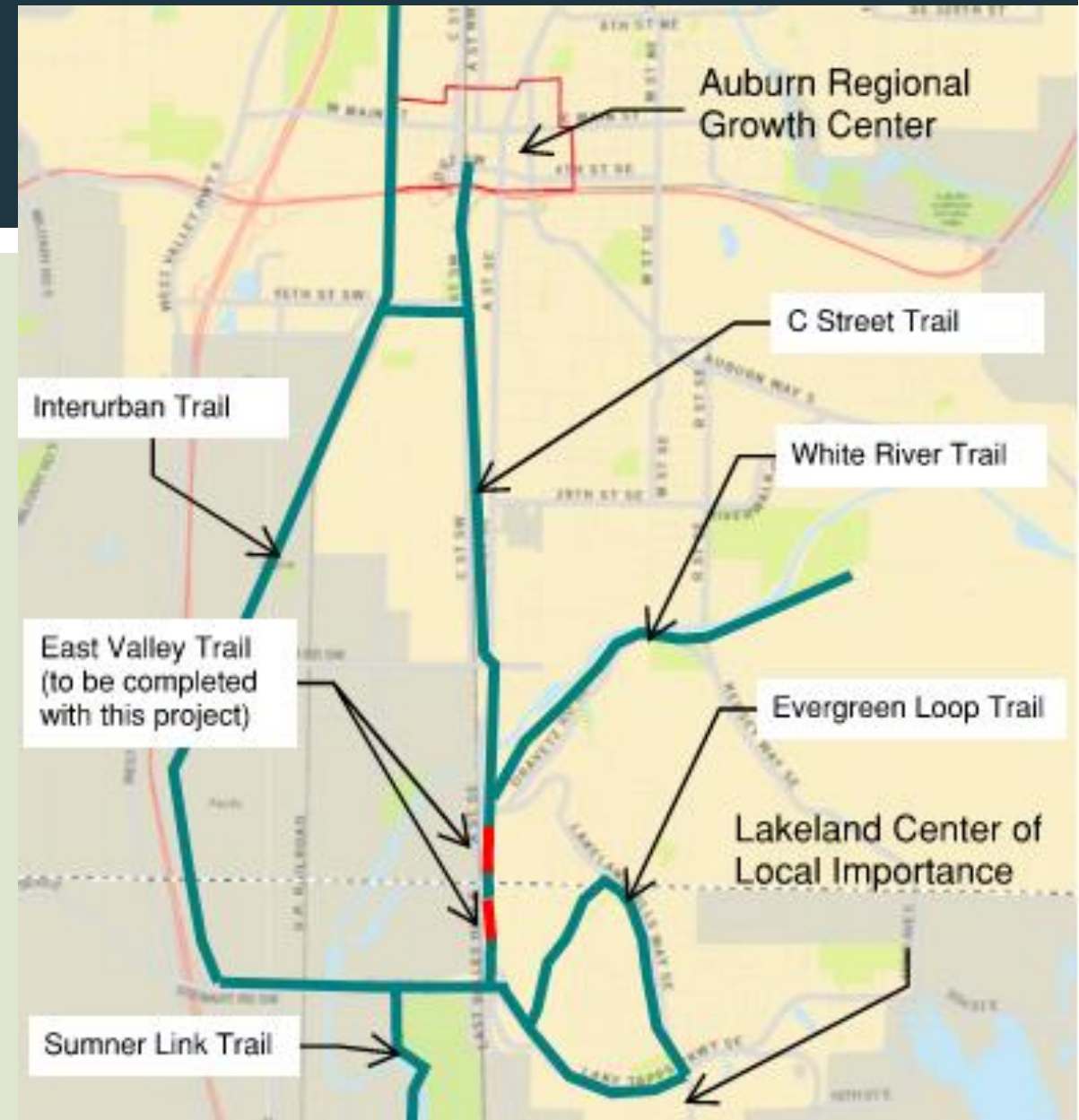
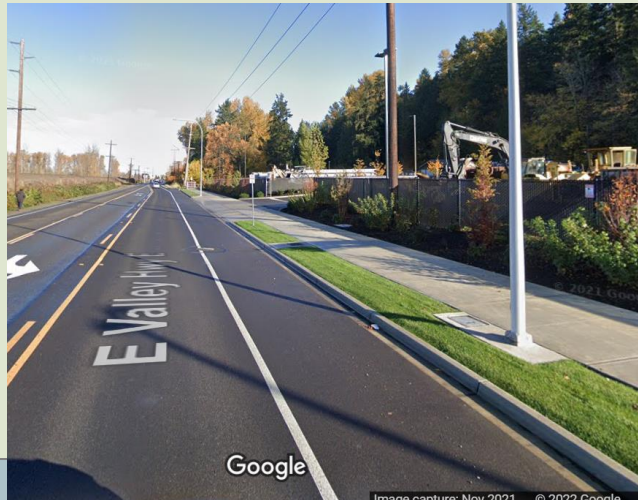
- Reduces vehicular congestion
- Completes gaps in active transportation network
- Improves safety for all modes
- Improves access to transit



- Existing roadway is at capacity
- Long delays
- Extensive queuing
- Diverts traffic through neighborhoods
- Added Resiliency

PROVIDES ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

- White River Trail
- C St Trail
- Sumner Link
- Interurban Trail
- Connects the Sumner-Pacific MIC, Auburn RGC and Lakeland Hills COLI



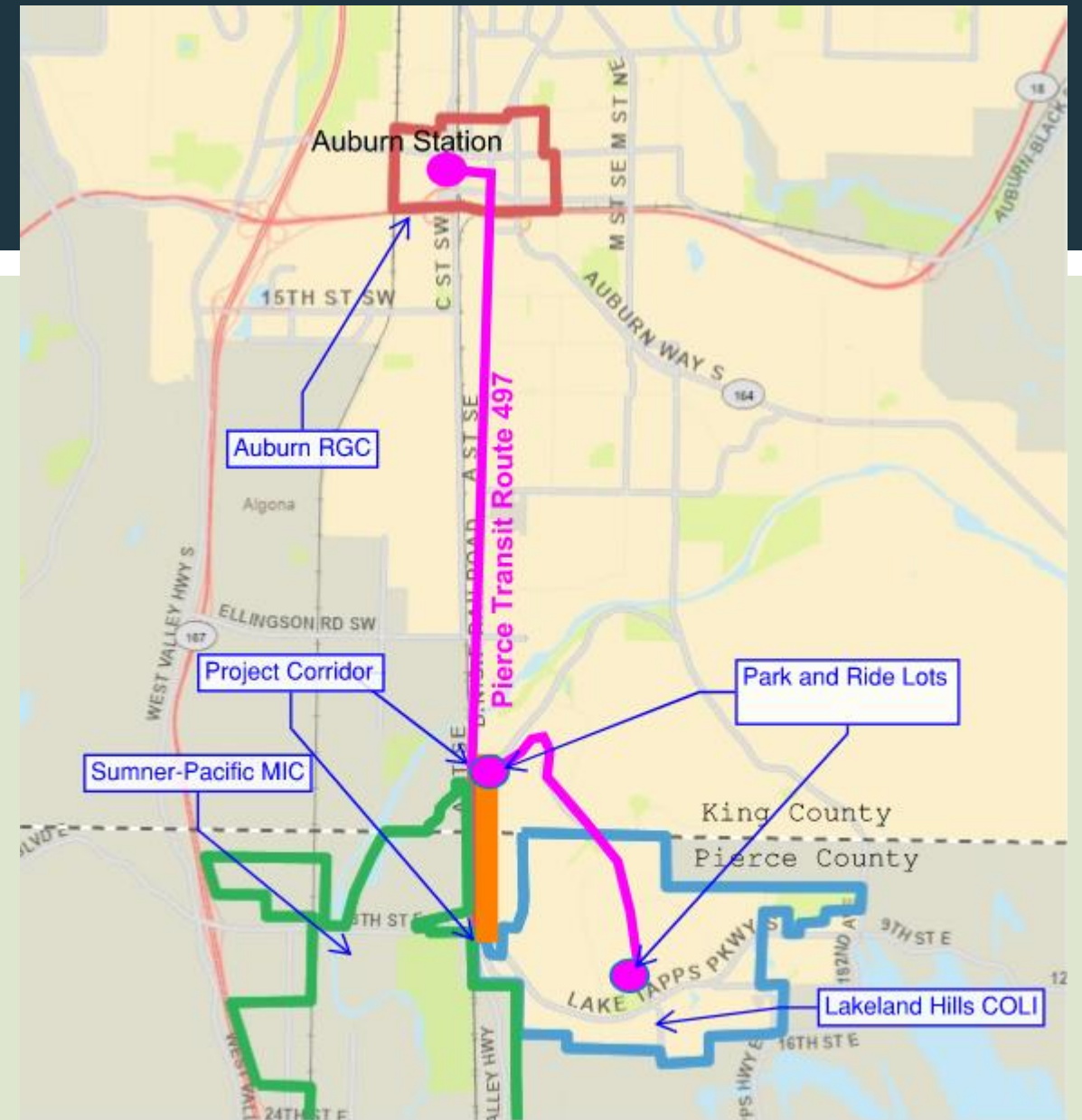
SAFETY AND SECURITY

- Street lighting
- Separated trail for peds and bikes
- Leading ped intervals for trail crossings
- Curb and gutter
- Relocate or remove roadside hazards
- U-turn at Lakeland Hills Way (access management)
- Access Management at 60th St SE
- Reduced Speed Limit (40 to 35)



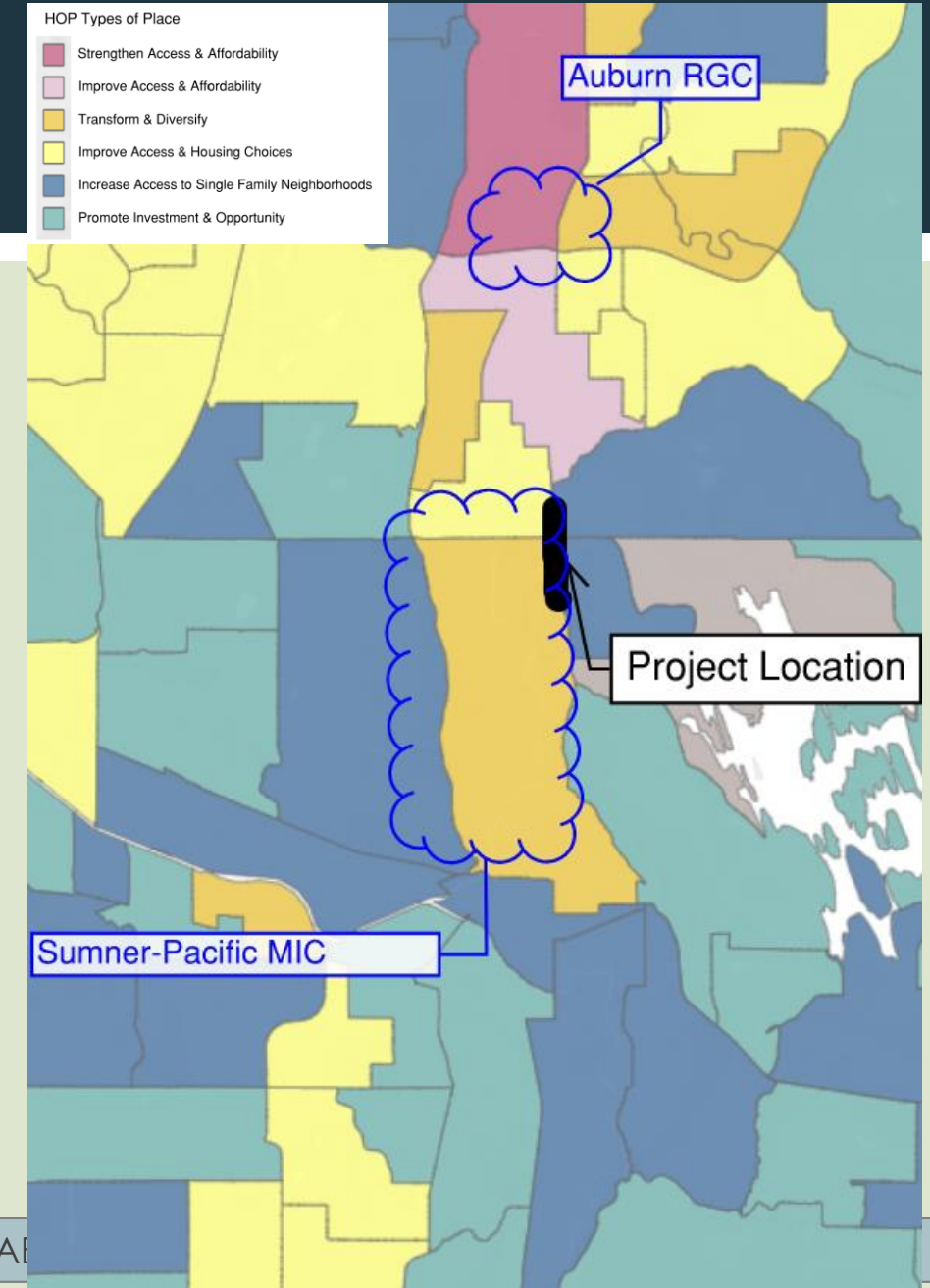
IMPROVES ACCESS TO TRANSIT

- Improves vehicular and non-motorized access to Pierce Transit Route 497 Stops and Park and Ride
- Improved speed and reliability of Route 497
- Improves access to Auburn Station in the Auburn RGC



OUTREACH AND DISPLACEMENT

- Areas along the project corridor have a low displacement risk.
- Project improves access to neighborhoods to the north and south of the project, and will encourage investment/development
- Engagement and Outreach
 - Transportation Advisory Board
 - TIP and CTP
 - PE phase includes public outreach
 - Will follow the Regional Equity Strategy



PROJECT STATUS & SCHEDULE

- **Federal PE funds obligated 5/2023**
 - Consultant selection, negotiation
 - Preliminary design underway
 - PE Completion 12/2027
- **ROW in advance of NEPA clearance (City funds)**
 - 3/2025 – 3/2027
 - ROW includes 5 to 6 frontage strip acquisitions, no relocations
- **NEPA (scoping is underway)**
 - Endangered Species Act Consultation (12/2024 – 12/2026)
 - NEPA Clearance 12/2026
- **Construction Obligation/Bids: 2/2028**
- **Construction Completion: 10/2029**

STP FUNDING REQUEST: REGIONAL FHWA CORRIDORS SERVING CENTERS

	Phase	Start Date	End Date	Federal Funding	Local Funding	Total Cost
2022 Regional Award →	PE	3/2024	12/2027	\$1,211,000	\$350,000	\$1,561,000
Locally Funded →	ROW	3/2025	3/2027	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000
This Request →	Construction	2/2028	12/2029	\$5,465,000	\$1,935,000	\$7,400,000
					Total	\$9,461,000

This request is for STP funding in 2028