





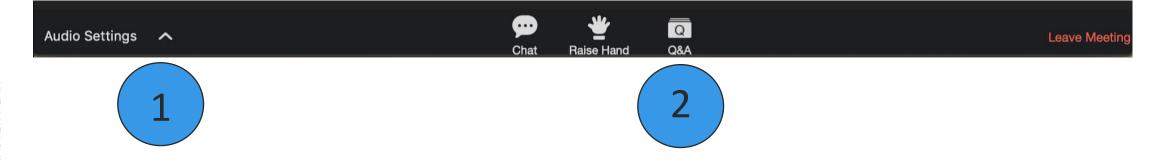
# Transportation Master Plan District of Invermere

Public Information Session

March 2, 2022



## How to Participate in Zoom







## What is a Transportation Master Plan?

- A long-term plan for the municipality's transportation network
- Considers all transportation modes (walking, bicycling, driving)
- Gives an idea of what improvements will be required and when
- Considers population and employment growth
- Considers new and emerging technologies, trends and policies





## Why are we updating the 2006 Transportation Study?



To reflect changes in expected growth patterns which have resulted in changing needs for road network improvements



To improve safety for walking, rolling, bicycling and driving, through innovation and new industry standards



To develop a strategy for prioritizing new transportation improvement projects and policy changes



To ensure that there's a continued effort to integrate transportation improvements with the Joint Active Transportation Plan recommendations



### **Project Progress**

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#### PHASE 1

Project Launch and Data Collection

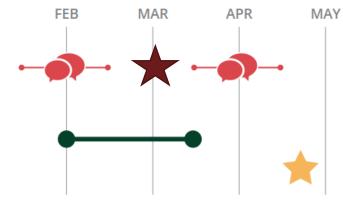
#### PHASE 2

Evaluating Existing and Future Conditions

#### PHASE 3

Exploring
Opportunities and
Defining Direction

#### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**



#### PHASE 4

Refining Options and Draft Plan Development

#### PHASE 5

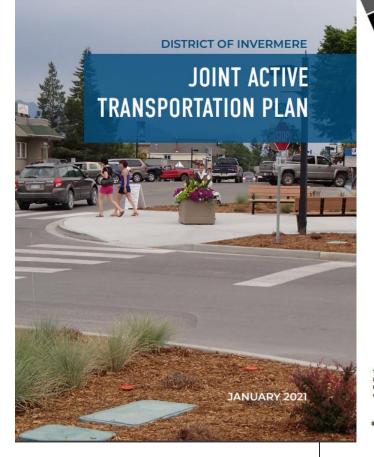
Finalize Invermere Transportation Master Plan







## Phase 1 – Project Launch & Data Collection



#### DISTRICT OF INVERMERE

#### **UPDATED TRANSPORTATION STUDY**

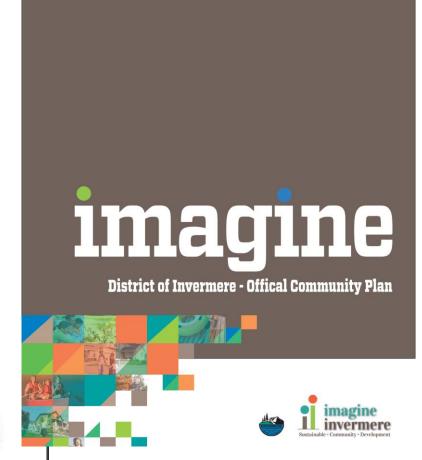


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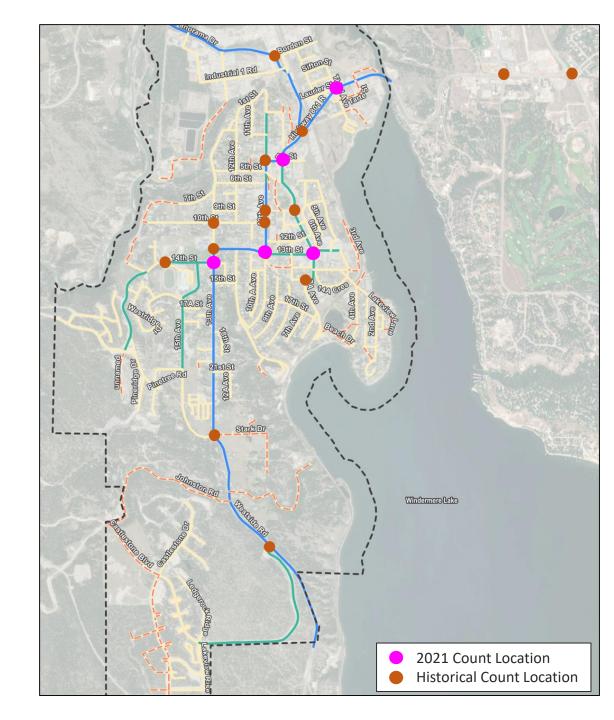






## Phase 1 – Project Launch & Data Collection

- Traffic counts
- Historical traffic counts
- Road and trail network inventory
- Review of census data



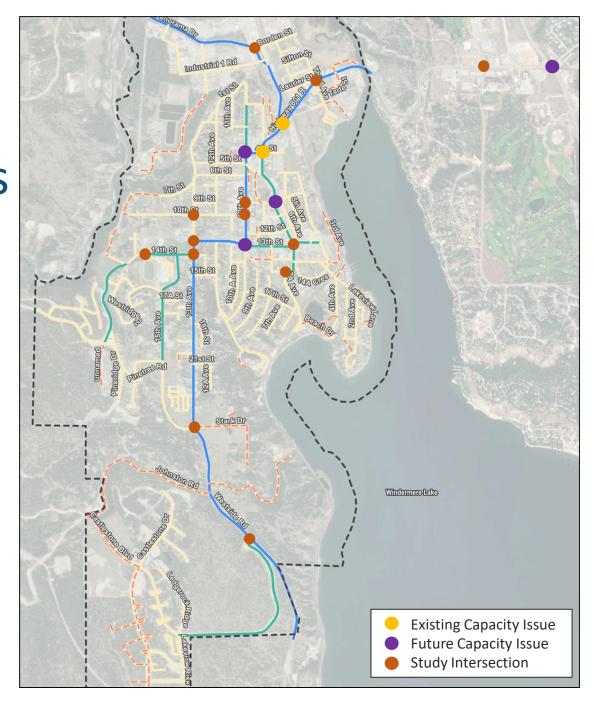




# Phase 2 – Evaluating Existing & Future Conditions

- Existing traffic capacity issues at
  - Panorama Drive and Third Street
  - 7 Ave and 4 St
- Future traffic capacity issues at
  - Highway 95 & Athalmer
  - Panorama Drive and Third Street
  - 7 Ave and 4 St
  - 10 Ave and 4 St
  - 7 Ave and 9 St
  - 10 Ave and 13 St







## Phase 3 – Exploring Opportunities and Defining Direction



## Transportation Plan Vision Statement

Invermere's transportation network is safe, accessible, connected, and **sustainable**. It provides **healthy** and **economical** mobility options where residents and visitors alike can travel accessibly by their mode of choice, experiencing the small-town character in a **beautiful mountain setting**.







## Phase 3 – Exploring Opportunities & Defining Direction - Goals



Safe

Improve the safety and accessibility for all road users, prioritizing vulnerable road users.

Connected

Provide both direct and enjoyable route options to destinations within the community.

**Ecologically Sustainable** 

Commit to sustainably growing and improving its transportation network to ensure the well-being of the current and future community.

**Economically Sustainable** 

Ensure cost-effective and reliable infrastructure improvements by coordinating improvements with other asset renewals.

Innovative

Explore emerging and innovative methods for managing present and future transportation demands and technologies.





# Phase 3 – Exploring Opportunities & Defining Direction

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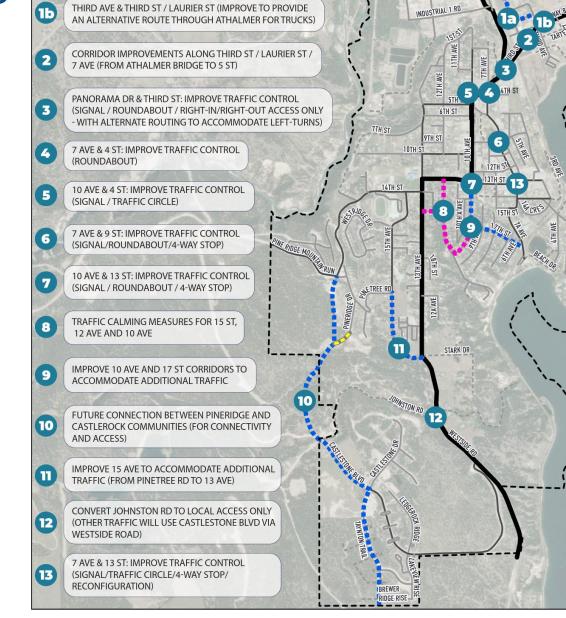
\_\_\_\_ District of Invermere Boundary

#### **Potential Improvement Projects**

- ■■■ Traffic calmed route
- Newly Proposed or Upgraded
  Collector Roadway
- Newly Proposed or Upgraded Local Road

#### **Road Class**

- Arterial
- Collector
- ---- Local
- ---- Local Dirt/Gravel



UPGRADE CORRIDORS THROUGH ATHALMER TO

ACCOMMODATE TRUCKS





### **Community Engagement Process**

- Completed
  - Online Survey
    - January 17<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022
    - 366 responses
    - What We Heard Report (online)
- Ongoing
  - Webpage:
    - https://invermere.net/invermeres-transportation-master-plan/
- Upcoming
  - Follow up online survey (March 3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022)
  - Virtual Public Information Session #2 Draft Plan (mid April)





Important Links

We're updating the Transportation Master Plan (TMP) to shape the future of all modes of transportation in Invermere and respond to ongoing growth and development. A previous comprehensive Transportation Study was completed in 2006 and can be accessed here. The update will include a more wholistic transportation approach, considering recommendations outlined in the Joint Active Transportation Plan (JATP) which was developed in partnership with the Shuswap Band in 2021. The JATP can be accessed here.

Transportation is an essential part of everyday life, affecting our community's health, environment, and economy. An efficient transportation network allows people and goods to safely move in and around Invermere.

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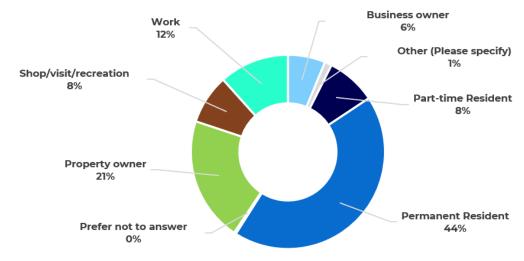




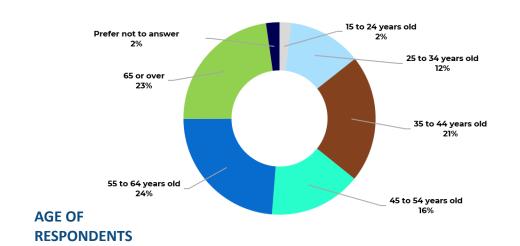


(from Online Survey #1)

- Diverse set of respondents
- Visitors, property owners, permanent residents
- Range of ages
- Fairly split between male and female respondents
- Single family homes (74%)
- Household of two people (50%)



#### ABOUT THE RESPONDENTS







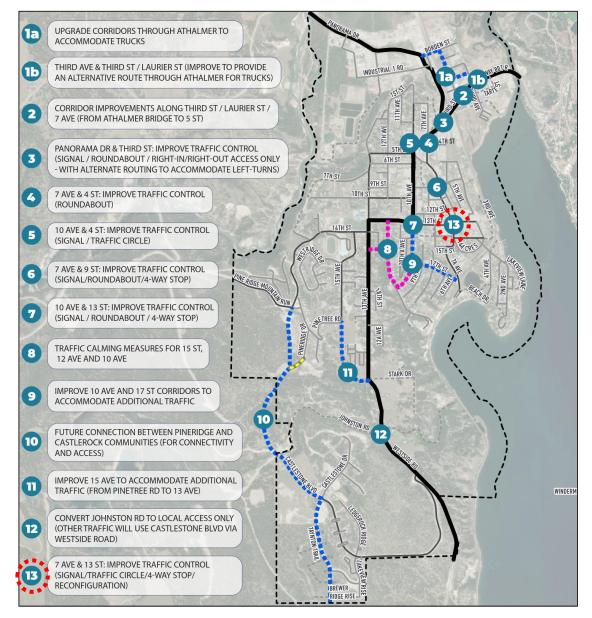
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#### Responses supportive of:

- Vision (approximately 60%)
- o Goals (over 90%)
- Objectives (over 80%)

#### Proposed Network

- O Top three ranked priorities are:
  - Improvement Project 3
  - Improvement Project 1a & b
  - Improvement Project 2
- Next three were projects 4, 5 and 10
- Projects 6, 8 and 9 received the lowest rankings
- Addition of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 13<sup>th</sup> Street







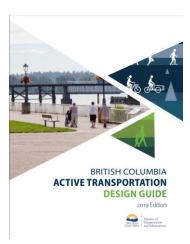
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#### **SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIES**

#### **A Safe Community**

#### **Most important:**

 Review sidewalk requirements on roadways and update to reflect best practices



## A Connected Community Most Important:

 Connect new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to existing infrastructure







(from Online Survey #1)

#### **SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIES**

An environmentally sustainable community

#### **Most important:**

 Develop support programs and initiatives that encourage people to walk and bicycle. Include wayfinding improvements, walking clubs, and the Safe Routes to School Program









#### **SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIES**

An economically sustainable community

#### **Most important:**

 Implement a road and active transportation network improvements in conjunction with each other and/or other infrastructure projects

### An Innovative community.

#### **Most Important:**

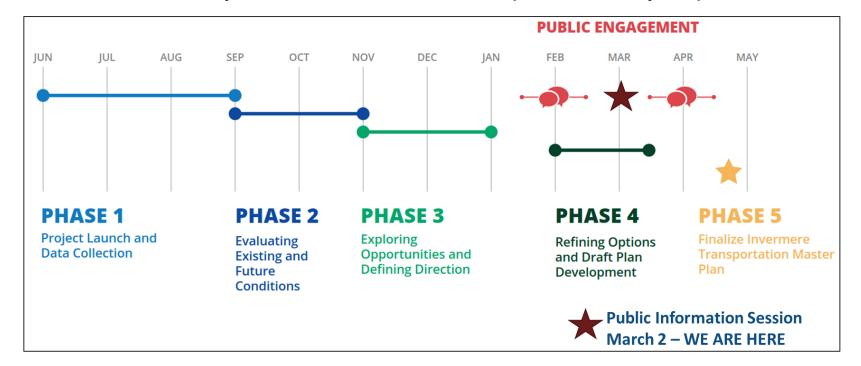
 Provide unique infrastructure to facilitate the use of e-bicycles and e-scooters (ex. E-bike share or escooter share, charging stations)







- Online Survey #2 Follow up survey (March 3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>)
- Phase 4 Refining Options and Draft Plan Development
  - Present Draft Plan to Council and public mid April
- Finalize Plan, present to Council (end of April)











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Thank you

