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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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This Traffic Impact analysis has been prepared to supplement the SEPA process for the proposed Painted Hills planned residential development (PRD) the following traffic impact analysis has been completed and includes the following land uses: 52 Cottage Style Single Family Lots, 206 Single Family Residential Lots, 42 Estate Type Single Family Lots, 228 Apartment Units, a commercial development and a mixed use commercial/residential development.

1. The City of Spokane Valley and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) have established Level of Service (LOS) D as the minimum acceptable level of service at signalized intersections and level of service E at unsignalized intersections within the study area.
2. The project proposes to develop 99.7 acres +/- into the following: 52 Cottage Style Single Family Lots, 206 Single Family Residential Lots, 42 Estate Type Single Family Lots, 228 Apartment Units, and a commercial development complex, which is anticipated to include a total of 26,400 SF of commercial buildings with 52 apartment units located above the retail space in the mixed use.
3. The project site lies within the SE ¼ of Section 33, T25N R44E W.M., within the City of Spokane Valley, Washington. And is located north of Thorpe Road, east of Dishman-Mica Road, and west of Madison Road. A vicinity map is included as Figure 1.
4. The project site is currently listed on the comprehensive plan and zoned Residential 3. The parcels to be developed by the project are 45336.9191, 44041.9144, 45334.9135, 45334.0110, 45334.0109, 45334.0108, 45334.0114, 45334.0113, and 45334.0106. Please see Figure 2, Site Plan.
5. The project study area intersections were identified through a neighborhood traffic scoping meeting and discussions with the City of Spokane Valley, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), and Spokane County. The study encompasses twelve existing intersections and five proposed intersections.
  - 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd (AM & PM)
  - Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd (AM & PM)
  - 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd (AM & PM)
  - Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd (AM & PM)
  - Dishman-Mica Rd & Sundown Dr (AM & PM) (Proposed)
  - Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd (AM & PM)
  - 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd (AM & PM)
  - 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27 (AM & PM)
  - 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd (AM & PM)
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  - Madison Rd & 44<sup>th</sup> Ave (AM & PM) (Proposed)
  - Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd (AM & PM)

- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27 (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd (AM & PM)

6. This traffic impact analysis utilizes level of service analysis for the year 2015 (existing) to establish a baseline of performance and identify any existing concerns in the existing transportation system. Future year scenarios were completed for the buildout year (2020) both without the project and also with the project. These scenarios are used to determine traffic concurrency or to determine if the added trips of the project on the transportation system would reduce the scoped intersections level of service below the standard. And finally the horizon year (buildout year + 20 years) scenarios were completed at the request of City of Spokane Valley to provide a planning level analysis of the scoped intersections. An Additional analysis of Peak Hours and cut-through traffic per public comment were included in the public involvement section

## **7. Conclusions**

This Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) has reviewed and analyzed the study area per the scope established by the City of Spokane Valley, WSDOT, Spokane County and the Public in attendance at the public scoping meeting. The level of service analysis for the existing and future buildout scenarios found that all scoped intersections are currently functioning at an acceptable level of service and/or are anticipated to function at an acceptable level of service.

The intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road is currently operating at an acceptable level of service; however, the intersection has been the site of multiple traffic accidents, due to its closely spaced intersections. For the year 2040, it was found that the intersections of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27 are anticipated to operate at unacceptable levels of service.

Therefore, based upon the analysis, field observations, assumptions, methodologies and results which are provided in the body of this report, it is concluded that the development of the proposed project will generate trips on the existing transportation system and that those trips while affecting level of service will have no impact to the existing transportation system beyond the standards identified within this study. This conclusion was reached and has been documented within the body of this report.

## **8. Recommendations**

Based upon the conclusions within this study the proposed project is recommended to complete the frontage improvements of Dishman-Mica Road, Thorpe Road, and Madison Road per the traffic analysis. Included within this report, there was found to be no requirement for left turn lanes on Dishman-Mica Road or Madison Road based upon level of service. However, left turn lanes may be added after further discussions with the affected agencies.

For the planning level study in the year 2040, we recommend that the City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT work towards a solution at the intersections of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue with Pines Road and State Route 27.

## INTRODUCTION

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### *Introduction, Purpose of Report and Study Area*

This traffic impact analysis is required by the City of Spokane Valley as part of the traffic concurrency and SEPA process for the proposed Painted Hills planned residential development (PRD). The proposed development includes 52 Cottage Style Single Family Lots, 206 Single Family Residential Lots, 42 Estate Type Single Family Lots, 228 Apartment Units, and a commercial development and a mixed use commercial/residential development (4.26 ± ac), with a total of 99.7 acres +/- . Please see Figure 1-Vicinity Map and Figure 2-Preliminary Site Plan.

The purpose of this analysis is to review, assess, and identify the potential traffic related impacts that the proposed project may have on the transportation network and where possible minimize any impact. This TIA will be completed in accordance with the current traffic guidelines from the City of Spokane Valley, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Spokane County, and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (A Recommended Practice – Traffic Access and Impact Studies for Site Development, 2010).

### *Site Location and Development Description*

The proposed development is located on approximately 99.7 acres +/- . The site was previously a privately held golf course open to the public. The site is proposed to be separated into six (6) different land uses within the PRD. A description of each proposed land use is provided below.

#### **Cottages Style Single Family (Townhouses)**

The 52 “Cottage Style Single Family Lots” are intended to be a combination of cottage style homes and common wall buildings or townhouses within a gated community, which is located at the north end of the project site. The lots are accessed by a single gated access from Madison Road to the east that runs east/west, and also a gated emergency fire access road at the west end that leads into the Single Family Residential development.

#### **Single Family Residential**

The 206 Single Family Residential lot development lies in the middle of the site, and also makes up a majority of the site in land area, besides the open space. It has three main accesses: two from Madison Road to the east and one from Dishman-Mica Road to the west. The development has two north/south internal roads, as well as 5 east/west internal roads each with a traffic circle in the middle to provide traffic calming throughout the development.

#### **Estate Type Single Family (Large Lot Single Family Residential)**

The 42 Estate Type Single Family lots are large, single family residential lots located at the south end of the project site. There is a single gated access road from Madison Road to the east that runs east/west. The Estate Type Single Family also has an internal loop road that makes a rectangular loop off the proposed main road. There is also a gated emergency fire access road at the northwest corner that runs north into the southern traffic circle of the Single Family Residential development.



### **Multi-Family Residential**

The 228 unit apartment complex is located at the northwest end of the project site. There may be two accesses for this development: one to/from Dishman-Mica Road to the west, via a new alignment out to Wilbur Road, and one to/from an internal project road located to the south. As apartment complexes differ in design, the internal circulation, building locations, and parking will be provided under a separate submittal.

### **Commercial**

The 4.26 acre (26.4 KSF) commercial development is located along Dishman-Mica Road and at the southwest end of the project site. There may be one or more accesses from Dishman-Mica Road and/or an internal access to the proposed road and the other land uses to the north and east of the commercial development. Currently the southernmost commercial property has an existing access to Thorpe Road which will be retained.

### **Apartments (Mixed Use)**

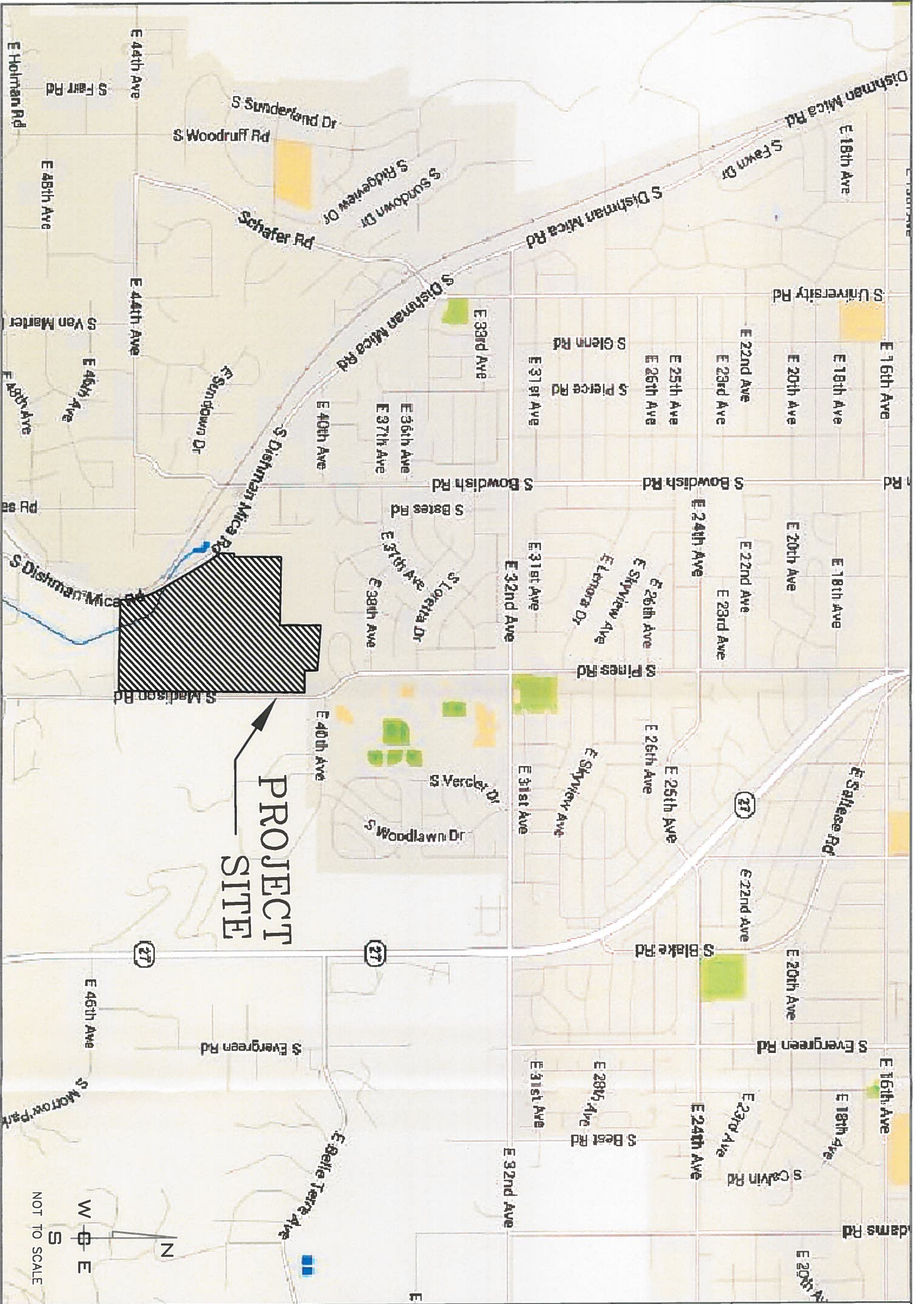
The 52 apartment units are proposed to be located over the retail space of the commercial development. There may be a single access from Dishman-Mica Road or an internal access to the proposed road as the apartments will use the commercial development access.

### **Development Open Spaces**

The proposed development incorporates flood control facilities within and under the large open space area to the south. The 10 acre open space of the development not only includes the park setting at the south but also a trail system that weaves through every corner of the development.

### **Project Access to Existing Transportation System**

The PRD is anticipated to have 3 public Accesses (1 on Dishman-Mica Road, 2 on Madison Road), 2 private roadway accesses on Madison Road, 3 commercial driveways (1 Thorpe Road, 2 Dishman-Mica Road) , and 1 apartment driveway (TBD on Dishman-Mica or Wilbur via ROW). The PRD is anticipated to have a total of 9 points of access on and off the existing transportation system.



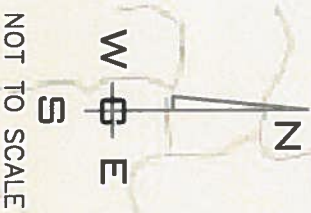
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**VICINITY MAP**

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FIGURE 1





## EXISTING CONDITIONS

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### *Existing Conditions within the Study Area*

#### *Land Use & Zoning*

The site is located north of Thorpe Road east of Dishman-Mica Road and west of Madison Road in a portion of the SE ¼ of Section 33, T25N R44E W.M., within Spokane Valley, Washington. A vicinity map is included as Figure 1. The project site is currently zoned as Residential 3, and is the previous Painted Hills General Commercial/ Golf Course Site. The parcels to be developed by the project are 45336.9191, 44041.9144, 45334.9135, 45334.0110, 45334.0109, 45334.0108, 45334.0114, 45334.0113, and 45334.0106. Please see Figure 2-Site Plan.

#### *Existing Roadways*

The overall transportation network in this area consists of a state route, urban principle arterials, collectors, and local access roads.

**Dishman-Mica Road** extends south, southeast from Sprague Avenue to State Route 27, Approximately 7.4 miles in length. Dishman-Mica Road is a northwest/southeast two-way, two-and five-lane urban principal arterial. Dishman-Mica Road is a controlled access arterial that serves the residential neighborhoods that extend from Sprague Avenue southeast to Bowdish Road. Dishman-Mica Road intersects with 8th Avenue, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, University/Schafer Road and Bowdish Road with small commercial uses located at or near the intersections of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, University Road and Bowdish Road. Dishman-Mica Road then winds through a rural area before intersecting with State Route 27. Within the study area the posted speed limit on Dishman-Mica Road is 45 MPH. At Sprague Avenue Dishman-Mica Road transitions into the Argonne-Mullan Couplet that ends just north of the Interstate 90 interchange. The route then continues north through the City of Millwood up the Argonne Hills through Bigelow Gulch road and down into Peone Prairie where the route connects to state route 206 before continuing north to Day-Mt. Spokane Road in the Greenbluff Area.

**University Road** is a two-lane, north/south arterial that serves a large residential area south of Interstate 90. It runs south from Nora Avenue, and crosses several major arterials, until it intersects with Dishman-Mica Road. University Road, between Mission Avenue and Sprague Avenue is a three-lane roadway. From Sprague Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, it changes to become a five-lane roadway. South of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Dishman-Mica Road, it reduces to a four-lane roadway and continues to Dishman-Mica Road where the roadway transitions into Schafer Road. Dishman-Mica Road is posted at 35 MPH speed limit within the study area.

**Schafer Road** is a two-lane, north/south arterial that also serves a large residential area south of Dishman-Mica Road. It runs south from Dishman-Mica Road until it intersects with 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Schafer Road, between Dishman-Mica Road and 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue is a two lane roadway with shoulders, but no walkway. It is posted at 35 MPH within the study area.

**Bowdish Road** is a two-lane, north/south arterial serving a large residential area south of Interstate 90. It runs south from Mission Avenue, and crosses several major arterials, until it intersects with 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Bowdish Road, between Mission Avenue and Dishman-Mica Road is a two-lane roadway. South of Dishman-Mica Road, it crosses the Union Pacific Railway and becomes a local access roadway. Sands Road branches off of Bowdish Road and continues the arterial to 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Bowdish Road is posted at 25 MPH on the local access portion, but is not posted on the arterial portion of the roadway and thus is 30 MPH.

**State Route 27** is a two-way, two-lane state highway. State Route 27 extends from Spokane Valley to Pullman, Washington and serves the many small farming communities of the Palouse. Within the Spokane Valley, State Route 27 follows the Pines Road alignment between Trent Avenue and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. South of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, State Route 27 goes eastward from Pines Road and serves the surrounding urban residential uses to 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue where it serves a small cluster of commercial uses at the intersection of State Route 27 & 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The posted speed limit is 45 MPH.

**16<sup>th</sup> Avenue** is a two-way, three-lane urban principle arterial that extends from Bluff Drive (west of Dishman-Mica Road). Through the City of Spokane Valley to Shamrock Street (South of Shelley Lake). 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue generally serves residential uses with the exception of commercial areas located at the intersections of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & University Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27. The posted speed limit on 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue is 35 MPH with the exception of the University Elementary, the McDonald Elementary, and the Evergreen Jr. High School zones where the posted speed limit is 20 MPH when children are present.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue** is a two-way, three-lane urban principle arterial. 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue extends east from Dishman-Mica Road to Sullivan Road and serves mostly urban residential uses, but also provides access for commercial uses and University High School. The posted speed limit is 35 MPH with the exception of University High School zone where the speed limit is 20 MPH when children are present.

**Pines Road** is a north/south two-way, two-, three-, and five-lane urban minor arterial that extends south from Trent Avenue to 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue. South of 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Pines Road is an urban collector arterial to 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Pines Road serves residential uses and a commercial land use located on the northwest corner of Pines Road & 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The speed limit on Pines Road is 35 MPH, with the exception of the South Pines Elementary school zone where the speed limit is 20 MPH when children are present.

**Evergreen Road** is a north/south, two-way urban principle arterial. Evergreen Road extends south from Indiana Avenue to 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and intersects with eight other minor and major arterials in the Spokane Valley. From Indiana Avenue to Sprague Avenue, Evergreen Road has five lanes and intersects with Mission and Broadway Avenues. From Sprague Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Evergreen Road is a five-lane road. From 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Evergreen is a two-lane road that intersects with 8<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Avenues. The area surrounding Evergreen Road is generally single family residential uses and small pockets of commercial uses located at or near the arterial intersections. The posted speed limit on Evergreen is 35 MPH.

**Sullivan Road** is a north/south two-way, two- and five-lane urban principal arterial that extends south from Wellesley Avenue to just beyond 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Sullivan Road serves East Valley High School and Central Valley High School, residential, and commercial uses. The posted speed limit is 35 MPH.

**Madison Road** is a north/south, two-way, two-lane collector road that extends south from the intersection of Pines Road & 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue, which is northeast of the site, through Thorpe Road, until eventually changing into Mohawk Drive. Madison Road is posted at 35 MPH and provides access to residential roads on its east and west side. Madison Road also makes a T-type intersection with the eastern end of Thorpe Road.

**Thorpe Road** is an east/west, two-way, two-lane asphalt road that extends east from Dishman-Mica Road to Madison Road. Thorpe Road generally serves commercial land uses. The posted speed limit on Thorpe Road is 35 MPH.

### ***Study Area Intersections***

The project study area intersections were identified through a neighborhood traffic scoping meeting and discussions with the City of Spokane Valley, Spokane County, and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). The scope of the study encompasses the AM and PM peak hours of twelve existing intersections and five proposed intersections.

- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd
- Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd
- Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd
- Dishman-Mica Rd & Sundown Dr (Proposed)
- Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd
- Madison Rd & Painted Hills Ave (Proposed)
- Madison Rd & 41<sup>st</sup> Ave (Proposed)
- Madison Rd & 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave (Proposed)
- Madison Rd & 44<sup>th</sup> Ave (Proposed)
- Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd

### ***Traffic Control and Descriptions***

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & University Road** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the east and bound approaches have a left-through lane, a through-right lane, and two receiving lanes that immediately reduces to one lane. The north and southbound approaches have a left turn lane, a through lane, a through-right lane, and two receiving lanes.

**Dishman-Mica Road & University/Schafer Road** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the Dishman-Mica Road westbound approach has a left turn lane, a through lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The Dishman-Mica

Road eastbound approach has a left turn lane, a through lane, a right turn lane, and two receiving lanes. The Schafer Road northbound approach has a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The University Road southbound approach has a left turn lane, a through lane, a right turn lane, and two receiving lanes.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Bowdish Road** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the east and westbound approaches have a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The north and bound approaches have a left-through-right lane, and a single receiving lane.

**Dishman-Mica Road & Bowdish Road** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the Dishman-Mica Road eastbound & westbound approaches have a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The Bowdish Road northbound approach has a left-through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The Bowdish Road southbound approach has a left-through lane, a right turn lane, and a single receiving lane.

**Dishman-Mica Road & Thorpe Road** is an unsignalized “T” type intersection with stop control on the Thorpe Road. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the westbound approach has a left-right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. The northbound approach has a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. The southbound approach has a left-through lane, and a single receiving lane.

**16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road** is an unsignalized intersection with stop control on Pines Road. The intersection has the following lane configuration: The eastbound approach has a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. the westbound approach has a left-through lane, and two receiving lanes. The northbound approach has a left-right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. The southbound approach has a left-through-right lane, and no receiving lanes.

**16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: The eastbound approach has a left-through lane, a right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. The westbound approach has a left-through-right lane and a single receiving lane, with an additional channelized right turn lane that yields to northbound traffic. The northbound & southbound approaches have a left turn lane, a through lane, a through-right lane, and two receiving lanes.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Pines Road** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: all approaches have a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane.

**Madison Road & Thorpe Road** is an unsignalized 4-way stop control intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has a left-through-right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. The Westbound approach is a private driveway and includes a left-through-right lane and a single receiving lane. The northbound and south bound approaches have a left-through-right lane, and a single receiving lane.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & State Route 27** is a signalized intersection. The intersection has the following lane configuration: The eastbound approach has a left turn lane, a through lane, a through-right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. the westbound approach has a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and two receiving lanes. The north and southbound approaches have a left turn lane, a through lane, a through-right lane, and two receiving lanes.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Evergreen Road** is an unsignalized intersection with stop control on Evergreen Road. The intersection has the following lane configuration: The eastbound approach has a left turn lane, a through-right lane, and a single receiving lane. the west, north and southbound approaches have a left-through-right lane, and a single receiving lane.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Sullivan Road** is an unsignalized “T” type intersection with stop control on 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The intersection has the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has a left-right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. The northbound approach has a left-through lane, and a single receiving lane. The southbound approach has a through lane, a right turn lane, and a single receiving lane. There was a westbound approach that was a driveway entrance but has been blocked off for several years.



**Traffic Safety**

For the intersections within the study area accident report summaries were received from City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT. Generally accidents are documented by type of occurrence, such as property damage or injury. No fatalities were reported for the study intersections during the last three years.

$$Rate\ per\ MEV = \frac{number\ of\ accidents\ in\ three\ years\ X\ 1\ million}{PM\ Peak\ hour\ volume\ X\ 10\ X\ 365\ X\ 3\ years}$$

Equation 4-2 of ITE manual of traffic engineering studies (fourth edition) (modified given the available data, for 3 years and utilizes PM peak hour volumes ~ 10% of ADT)

In this analysis accidents are measured based on frequency per million entering vehicles (MEV). This ratio is a function of the average daily traffic entering the intersection and the annual frequency of accidents. This method of analysis is also considered as an “exposure” analysis. This method of analysis is used to identify areas that need further review. A typical review threshold for accidents at an intersection is 1.00 accidents per MEV. The accident data for the intersections within the study area are shown in Table 1.

**Table 1 – Accident Data for Intersections within the Study Area**

ACCIDENT DATA								
Intersection	2011		2012		2013		INTX	Per MEV
	PDO	INJ	PDO	INJ	PDO	INJ	ADT	
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	1	0	1	0	0	0	9,170	0.02
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	0	0	2	0	0	2	8,980	0.04
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	3	2	2	0	0	0	10,720	0.06
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	0	1	0	0	1	1	7,220	0.04
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	1	0	0	0	0	0	4,080	0.22
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	4	0	4	2	2	1	9,470	0.12
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,420	0.00
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	1	0	2	1	2	0	10,190	0.05
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,190	0.00
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	1	0	0	0	0	0	16,150	0.01
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,680	0.00
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,120	0.00

As shown in the table above most intersections within the study area do not meet or exceed the threshold for further review.

### ***Traffic Volumes and Peak Hours of Operation***

Traffic counts were collected as required by scoping under the direction of WCE in the months of January through March 2015, at the following intersections for the peak hour (AM/PM) time listed below:

- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd (AM & PM)
- Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd (AM & PM)
- Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd (AM & PM)
- Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd (AM & PM)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd (AM & PM)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27 (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd (AM & PM)
- Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27 (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd (AM & PM)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd (AM & PM)

The peak hour from these counts are shown on Figures 3 and 4. The raw data for these counts are located in the technical appendix.

### **Public Transit and School Bus Transportation**

The Spokane Transit Authority (STA) currently provides service routes to this area. Bus stops are located at the following intersections: 16<sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Road, 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Road, 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Road, and 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Road. The STA Stop at the intersection of 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Pines Road is located approximately 3,160 feet +/- or 0.6 mi from the projects northern border on Madison Road.

The Central Valley School District currently provides student bus service to the area.

## **Public Involvement**

On March 3, 2015 a community and traffic scoping meeting was held at the Chester Elementary School located at 3525 S Pines Road, Spokane Valley, WA 99206. The following is a list of questions and concerns raised by the community at the meeting, and our responses at that time.

### **Community Meeting**

The project was presented as depicted in the preliminary site plan of the TGDL. All phases of the project were described, the proposed units of each phase were stated and the accesses were described. During the pre-amble & opening, Todd Whipple noted the following: That this is an outright permitted use, which this project will not go before city council, but will go before the hearing examiner.

- Question: Who is the developer?

**The developer is Dave Black.**

- Question: Why was this meeting scheduled on a Tuesday night when no City Council members can attend?

**We picked this night, with no intention to not allow Council members to attend.**

- Question: If this is not the right venue to discuss school overload issues, then what is?

**If one would like to present his or her concerns about overloading school issues, then he or she is more than welcome to attend the hearing that comes later after these meetings. One is also encouraged to write a letter to the school district, because they will be able to give one a more accurate answer.**

- Question: Why are there four accesses to the project to/from Madison Road and only one to/from Dishman-Mica Road?

**We tried to keep all of the commercial and apartment development on Dishman-Mica Road.**

- Question: Based on the International Fire Code, are you not allowed to place 30 lots on a single access?

**We have met with the Fire Department and we have a modified map (attached) that will allow us emergency accesses as required, we did not change the plan for this meeting as this was the plan that was advertised.**

- Question: What plan do you have to mitigate the fire safety issue around the Painted Hills area when you are proposing to introduce about 1,300 cars into the mix?

**We do not have an answer for this at this time, but the question has been noted. Following up with the agencies, a specific fire safety issue was not identified at this time. If a member of the public has a specific fire safety concern, then we recommend that he/she take that specific concern to the Commissioners of Fire Districts #1 and #8.**

- Question: With the current zoning of R3 for this Painted Hills area, don't you have to leave about 30% of the acreage for open space?

**According to Spokane Valley zoning codes, if we stay with the R3 zoning, then we are not required to leave any open space at all. However, a Planned Residential Development (PRD) is required to have 30% open space, therefore we have left 30 acres open.**

- Question: How will this area, all of a sudden, not become a flood plain?

**This area is technically only a flood plain, because it is called Compensatory Storage. Compensatory Storage means that water that comes onto your land sits there and filters through the ground. We will be working with the City and FEMA to address this issue.**

- Question: What do you do with the flood plain?

**We have to take every drop of water that comes to the site, and we will be coming up with ways to collect it and discharge it into the ground.**

- Question: Is this area an AE Zone?

**Yes, this area is an AE zone as it relates to Compensatory Storage. We can discharge the water throughout the site in many different ways.**

- Question: All of these forms of discharging are shown on the FEMA map?

**Yes they are located on the FEMA map.**

- Question: When do we all get the chance to ask the questions we want to ask?

**We will talk to the developers after this meeting. Your only chance may come at the Hearing. However, we currently do not know when the Hearing will be.**

- Question: Will there be notices sent out about these meetings?

**Yes there will be notices sent out about these meetings.**

- Question: Since the school district is not allowed to project how many new kids will be coming out of this new development, as they must give an exact amount, when will this bond go up?

We will move through the process this year. As of this moment, it is projected that the development will be built out over the next 5 to 10 years depending on market conditions, as well as other factors. (Checked with the developer buildout may be completed in 10-15 years.)

**Traffic**

- Question: Are the accesses off of Madison Road set in stone or can they be changed?

**This is our proposal as of now and it is set to be designed this way unless traffic provisions do not allow us to do so.**

- It was addressed that the school hours are outside of the AM & PM peak hours.

**Traffic counts are usually done between 6:30-9:30AM & 3:30-6:30PM. The commuter traffic is where the peak hour is located, not during school hours. Tube counts were placed around each of the three schools (Chester Elementary, Horizon Middle, and University High) with the peak hours reported as follows:**

Type of Peak Hour	High School		Middle School		Elem. School	
	Vol.	Time	Vol.	Time	Vol.	Time
AM Commuter	806	7:00AM	269	7:15AM	179	7:15AM
AM School	806	7:00AM	269	7:15AM	179	7:15AM
PM School	788	2:15PM	209	2:30PM	139	2:30PM
PM Commuter	966	5:00PM	210	5:00PM	140	5:00PM

**As the above table shows, the AM Commuter & AM School peak hours occur at the same time for the High School, Middle School, and Elementary School. The traffic volumes are shared between AM commuters and school travelers, due to the identical peak hour.**

**Unlike the AM peak hour traffic, the PM Commuter traffic is higher than the PM School traffic for the High School, Middle School, and Elementary School. The traffic volumes are not shared between PM commuters and school travelers, because the peak hours occur at different times. Therefore if we mitigate or maintain an acceptable level of service for the PM peak hour commuter, the time of greatest impact, then we also mitigate or maintain an acceptable level of service for the other peak hours.**

- Question: Who is conducting the Traffic Impact Analysis? Are there going to be turn lanes put in on Dishman-Mica & Madison Road, due to this project?

**WCE will be conducting the Traffic Impact Analysis. There will most likely be a widening of these streets for this project. Per this study, turn lanes on Dishman-Mica Road and Madison Road are not included to allow level of service to dictate the need for a turn lane.**

- Question: Will you take into account that Thorpe Road floods and closes sometimes during the spring?

**Yes we will. This will be considered and included in our flood control plans and reports. This will not be addressed in this report.**

- Question: If the study shows that center turn lanes will need to be added to Madison Road, will that be funded by the developer?

**Yes, the developer will fund that work.**

- Question: Will you be adding a 3-way stop at Madison Road & 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue? Recently, walking down on 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue, we were not able to cross the street due to the high volume of traffic.

**The concern has been submitted to the City of Spokane Valley Traffic Engineer.**

- Question: Will you be studying Woodlawn Road as well? For some reason, people are cutting through Woodlawn Road in order to get to 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

**Tube counters were placed on Woodlawn Road at 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue, per the public's request. We have reviewed the counts at both ends of the Woodlawn Road, we have considered the 15 single family residences located to the south of 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and after considering the trips from those residents a difference of entering and exiting trips can be seen. This difference during the three peak hours are trips that travel between 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and are as follows:**

**In the AM peak hour beginning at 7 AM there may possibly be 79 southbound cut-through trips and 38 northbound cut-through trips. For the 2 PM peak hour there may be 66 southbound cut-through trips and 57 northbound cut-through trips. For the 5 PM peak hour there may be 39 southbound cut-through trips and 29 northbound cut-through trips.**

**As some of these trips primarily coincide with the School Peak hours, the reasons for these trips may be from congestion on 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in front of the High School, or from parents that are picking up and dropping off students at the middle or elementary schools. However this type of tube count study is limited as trips will sometimes double back on the anticipated route. Therefore a video of each end of Woodlawn was conducted simultaneously. A member of the staff then reviewed the tapes noting vehicle type, color, and time to identify that during the AM peak hour there were 5 cut-through trips identified, and in the PM peak hour there were 7 cut-through trips identified.**

**Considering this information and given the volumes of traffic counted on Woodlawn Road there is no roadway capacity issue as a local access roadway can support the traffic volumes counted. Therefore we must conclude that the main concern is speeding on Woodlawn Road, an element that we have not measured, and is not a part of this study. From our experience not all cut-through traffic speeds through a cut-through route. But speeding can be done by even those that live within the neighborhood. Therefore we are going to leave this as an enforcement issue with the City of Spokane Valley.**

**We recommend that the neighborhood association invite a representative of the Spokane Valley Police department to attend one of their meetings in order to discuss the speeding issue. We also recommend that the neighborhood association talk to the public works director, and the traffic**

**engineer of the City of Spokane Valley to discuss how they may incorporate traffic calming measures that will not interfere with road maintenance, such as curb extensions or traffic circles.**

- Question: As a board member of Midlome East (neighborhood association) , we have tried to talk to the agencies about the high traffic volumes on Woodlawn Road for the last 10 years, and have gotten nowhere. Will this issue get addressed?

**We are aware of some of the issues with cut-through traffic. We will talk to the jurisdictions about this issue and see how they would like us to proceed.**

- Question: Why is Pines Road shown as a Minor route for a portion of the road instead of a Major route throughout?

**This issue will be addressed through the traffic counts, which will give us the necessary data to possibly consider Pines Road a major route throughout.**

- Question: Will the developer pay for the mitigations?

**The developer will pay for anything that he breaks (yes, he will mitigate to project impacts).**

- There was a comment that someone lived on Woodlawn Road and eventually moved due to the extremely high traffic volumes.

**This comment has been noted, Counts of Woodlawn do not seem excessive for a roadway utilized as a collector in the City of Spokane Valley.**

- There was a comment that the intersection of Pines Road & 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue should be included in this study due to the high amount of people who travel through this intersection.

**This comment has been noted; however, the agencies did not include this intersection into the study.**

- Question: How long does the traffic study last?

**Traffic studies are based on traffic counts. Counts are done on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays during the previously mentioned peak hours. These days have proven to be the most reliable and most accurate for showing true traffic volumes on the streets. In commercial areas, counts are performed from 10AM to 2PM. We do not count Sundays, unless there is a church problem. We can do a combination of tube counts and individual counts.**

- There was a comment made that Chester School, on Thursdays, starts at 10:10AM.

**This comment has been noted. See the previous response with regard to school peak hours.**

- There was a comment made that tomorrow at 6PM, there is a community vision meeting at Mirabeau.

**Our advice was to pay close attention to Growth Management and Growth Management meetings.**

- Question: When will the traffic study start?

**The traffic counts will begin next week.**

- Question: Is each intersection scoped only counted once?

**Yes, once in the AM and once in the PM.**

- Question: Will the congestion, due to the school traffic on Pines Road, be accounted for in the traffic counts?

**If the congestion falls within the time that the counts occur, then yes it will be counted in.**

- Question: Will you count pedestrians?

**Pedestrians were counted at the intersections as groups or as pedestrian calls to the signal controller.**

- Question: Where can we go to affect change?

**One can go to the Growth Management meeting and participate in the Growth Planning Processes, and one can also attend the Hearing and speak to the Hearing Examiner.**

- Question: How do you calculate the traffic volumes based on the number of new units to be installed?

**Prior to this meeting, WCE turned in a Trip Generation & Distribution Letter to the jurisdictions that allowed us to have this meeting. We use the ITE Trip Generation Manual 9<sup>th</sup> Edition.**

- Question: Can you describe an intersection? What is an intersection to you?

**An intersection is where two streets come together or when a driveway and a street come together.**

- Question: How many apartment projects are going in? How many people are there going to be? Who is paying the taxes on this new project to help build the new schools?



**There is only the one apartment complex that is being proposed. There is also a mixed-use apartment land use. Studies show that about 1.77 people live in each unit. Also, the owner of the apartment complex pays property taxes that go to help fund the local schools.**

- Question: If we live on 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & McDonald Street and it is already hard for us to get onto 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave, doesn't it make sense that this problem will only get worse?

**When we perform the traffic counts on certain intersections, we will calculate Level of Service for each intersection. Level of Service is based on a letter grade A-F, with F being the worst case. Todd Whipple then described the Levels of service with the delays and experiences of the driver.**

- Question: Will you be studying where there are children school crosswalks?

**A review of school crosswalks was not included, as this review would be between the school district and the City of Spokane Valley.**

- Question: If it is decided that Madison Road needs further expansion, how will the traffic flow operate during construction?

**The road will most likely not be closed if under construction, but after talks with the school districts and the City, construction will most likely be conducted throughout normal traffic hours.**

- Question: Who decides which intersections will be counted in the study?

**The agencies of the City of Spokane Valley, Spokane County, and WSDOT. You can also contact the City to see when the scoping meeting will take place in order to be a part of that.**

- Question: What is your goal for LOS when conducting a traffic study?

**It depends on the intersection and the Level of Service. If further mitigation has to be done to fix an intersection than that will occur. However, if the jurisdictions decide that, for instance, at an intersection where a Level of Service "E" is existing and will continue to be this way, there might not be any change.**

- Question: Are there any plans to run 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue over to Highway 27?

**There used to be plans or Right-of-way, but there are no such plans anymore.**

- Question: Are you planning for sidewalks & streetlights on Dishman-Mica Road & Madison Road?

**Yes, as part of the frontage improvements to the streets, sidewalks and streetlights will be added or improved.**

- Question: For the cottages, will there be one or two accesses?

**There will be two accesses.**

- Question: Are you familiar with Robie Street? Is there any chance that there could be access to the cottages using Robie Street?

**WCE is not familiar with this intersection, but this question of an additional access to the north has been noted. After finding Robie Street, it was determined that the development will not pursue an access to the north.**

- Question: If from the traffic study, it is found that the intersection of 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Road becomes highly congested, what is your solution?

**We do not have a solution at this time. Through further study, it is our responsibility to find a solution if there happens to be a high congestion problem.**

- Question: Will any changes that come from the traffic study be done before or after the construction?

**Any changes in traffic will be concurrent with construction.**

- Question: How far out, geographically, is the study responsible for?

**The City of Spokane Valley & Spokane County have standards that we follow when performing the study. They will tell us which intersections to study, and before the study is completed, further intersections could be studied based on previous observations & data.**

- Question: What would be needed to expand Dishman-Mica Road from two lanes to four lanes from University Road to Madison Road?

**It would take a large additional traffic impact in order to expand the road in these areas.**

- Question: Could you add a traffic count on the intersection of Woodlawn Road & 40<sup>th</sup> Ave?

**Please see previous response regarding the additional traffic study to Woodlawn Road.**

- Question: How much increase in traffic volume would warrant the installation of a new traffic signal?

**Once intersections move towards a LOS “F”, we move to a section called “Warrants”. If an intersection moves towards two to four warrants, then a traffic signal could be installed.**

- Question: How long is the time span for the traffic study, as the volume will grow over time as developments go up?

**We will perform the traffic study for each phase of construction, and if a certain phase requires work to be done to improve a traffic problem, then the work will be done during that phase.**

- There was a comment made that it seems like a conflict of interest for WCE to say that “we” are performing the traffic study.

**The jurisdictions make the developer hire a traffic engineer to perform the study. The traffic engineer turns the work into the City, who then reviews it and makes necessary comments. Then, the traffic engineer makes the changes and eventually the City accepts the study as their own traffic study for the developer and his or her project, all as part of the SEPA and concurrency process .**

- Question: How many cars does it take to determine a certain Level of Service?

**LOS is determined by average delay, not the numeric number of cars waiting or using an intersection.**

- Question: How many phases will there be for this project?

**At this time, WCE has not decided the number of phases for the proposed project.**

- Question: Living on Dishman-Mica Road, I’m wondering how long the left turn lanes would be off of the proposed center turn lane, because some turns are tight and short?

**Left turns lanes are usually no less than 100 feet long, and not longer than 300 feet.**

- Question: Do you consider projects that have already been approved by the County into your study?

**Yes, we do consider these background projects into our traffic study. Further analysis is performed on projects that have been approved, but not fully built out. We treat all background projects to be fully built out to account for the most conservative results. Please see the background project section of this report.**

- Question: Are you aware that there are developments along Madison Road that have been previously permitted by the County?

**Please see the background project section of this report.**

Note: WCE observed that many of the school congestion questions were from directly affected parents and seniors, that have a history of leaving and returning to their residence from 9 AM to 3 PM. WCE believes that this non-commuter perspective has skewed their perspective of the Peak hour. This being said the provided tube counts have established the peak traffic around the schools.

## LEVEL OF SERVICE

Level of service (LOS) is an empirical premise developed by the transportation profession to quantify driver perception for such elements as travel time, number of stops, total amount of stopped delay, and impediments caused by other vehicles afforded to drivers who utilize the transportation network. It has been defined by the Transportation Research Board in the *2010 Highway Capacity Manual*. This document has quantified level of service into a range from “A” which indicates little, if any, vehicle delay, to “F” which indicates significant vehicle delay and traffic congestion that may lead to system breakdown due to volumes that may exceed capacity.

### ***Signalized Intersections***

For signalized intersections, research has determined that average stopped delay per vehicle is the best available measure of level of service. The following tables identify the relationships between level of service and average stopped delay per vehicle. Spokane County and WSDOT have adopted level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for all signalized intersections.

**Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions**

LOS	Delay Range (sec)	General Description
A	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very low delay at intersection.</li> <li>• All signal cycles clear.</li> <li>• No vehicles wait through more than one signal cycle.</li> </ul>
B	10 to 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operating speeds beginning to be affected by other traffic.</li> <li>• Short traffic delays at intersections.</li> <li>• Higher average intersections delays resulting from more vehicles stopping.</li> </ul>
C	20 to 35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operating speeds and maneuverability closely controlled by other traffic.</li> <li>• Higher delays at intersections than for LOS B due to a significant number of vehicles stopping.</li> <li>• Not all signal cycles clear the waiting vehicles.</li> </ul>
D	35 to 55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tolerable operating speeds, but long traffic delays occur at intersections</li> <li>• The influence of congestion is noticeable.</li> <li>• Many vehicles stop and the proportion of vehicles not stopping declines.</li> <li>• The number of signal cycle failures, for which vehicles must wait through more than one signal cycle are noticeable.</li> </ul>
E	55 to 80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speeds are restricted, very long traffic delays are experienced and traffic volumes are near capacity.</li> <li>• Traffic flow is unstable, any interruption, no matter how minor, will cause queues to form and service to deteriorate.</li> <li>• Traffic signal cycle failures are frequent occurrences.</li> </ul>
F	80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extreme delays resulting in long queues which may interfere with other traffic movements</li> <li>• Stoppages of long duration and speeds may drop to zero.</li> <li>• Vehicle arrival rates are greater than capacity.</li> <li>• Considered unacceptable by most drivers.</li> </ul>

### ***Unsignalized Intersections***

The calculation of level of service (LOS) at an unsignalized one/two-way stop-controlled intersection is examined in the Transportation Research Board's *2010 Highway Capacity Manual*. For unsignalized intersections, level of service is based on the delay experienced by each movement and approach within the intersection. The concept of delay as presented for unsignalized intersections in the Highway Capacity Manual is based on the amount of time a vehicle must spend at the intersection. Vehicles passing straight through the intersection on the major (uncontrolled) street experience no delay at the intersection. On the other hand, vehicles which are turning left from the minor street, because they must yield the right of way to all right turning vehicles, all left turning vehicles from the major street and all through vehicles on both the minor and major streets, must spend more time at the intersection. Levels of service are assigned to individual movements within the intersection, and are based upon the delay experienced by each movement or approach.

The Transportation Research Board has determined what levels of service for unsignalized intersections should be, by designating level of service A through F, where level of service A represents a facility where no vehicle in any movement is delayed very long and level of service F which represents a facility where there is excessive delay for the average vehicle in at least one movement in the intersection. Spokane County and WSDOT have adopted level of service E for all unsignalized intersections within the study area.

**Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions**

<b>LOS</b>	<b>Delay Range (sec)</b>	<b>Expected Delay to Minor Street Traffic</b>	<b>General Description</b>
A	10	Little to No Delay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nearly all drivers find freedom of operation.</li> <li>• Very seldom is there more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> </ul>
B	10 to 15	Short Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some drivers begin to consider the delay an inconvenience</li> <li>• Occasionally there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> </ul>
C	15 to 25	Average Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Many times there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> <li>• Most drivers feel restricted, but not objectionably so.</li> </ul>
D	25 to 35	Long Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Often there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> <li>• Drivers feel quite restricted.</li> </ul>
E	35 to 50	Very Long Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Represents conditions in which, demand is near or equal capacity.</li> <li>• There is almost always more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> <li>• Drivers find the delays approaching intolerable levels.</li> </ul>
F	50	Stop-and-Go Condition Delays Generally Longer than Acceptable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forced flow.</li> <li>• Represents an intersection failure condition that is caused by geometric and/or operational constraints external to the intersection</li> </ul>

**Roundabout Intersections**

The calculation of level of service (LOS) at a one/two-lane roundabout is examined in the Transportation Research Board’s *2010 Highway Capacity Manual*. For Roundabout intersections, level of service is based on the delay experienced by each movement and approach within the intersection. The concept of delay as presented for unsignalized intersections in the Highway Capacity Manual is based on the amount of time a vehicle must spend at the intersection. Vehicles on an approach must yield to the vehicle within the roundabout and wait for a gap before entering the roundabout. The time that a vehicle yields or waits for a gap is calculated and averaged. Levels of service are assigned to individual movements within the intersection, and are based upon the average delay experienced by each movement or approach.

The Transportation Research Board has determined what levels of service for roundabouts should be, by designating level of service A through F, where level of service A represents a facility where no vehicle in any movement is delayed very long and level of service F which represents a facility where there is excessive delay for the average vehicle in at least one movement in the intersection. Spokane County and WSDOT have adopted level of service E for all roundabout intersections within the study area.

**Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions**

LOS	Delay Range (sec)	Expected Delay to Minor Street Traffic	General Description
A	15	Little to No Delay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nearly all drivers find freedom of operation.</li> <li>Very seldom is there more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> </ul>
B	15 to 25	Short Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some drivers begin to consider the delay an inconvenience</li> <li>Occasionally there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> </ul>
C	25 to 35	Average Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Many times there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> <li>Most drivers feel restricted, but not objectionably so.</li> </ul>
D	35 to 50	Long Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Often there is more than one vehicle in the queue.</li> <li>Multiple vehicles are in the roundabout and few gaps are available.</li> <li>Drivers feel quite restricted.</li> </ul>
E	50 to 75	Very Long Traffic Delays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Represents conditions in which, demand is near or equal to capacity.</li> <li>There is almost always more than one vehicle in the queue waiting for a gap.</li> <li>Drivers find the delays approaching intolerable levels.</li> </ul>
F	75	Stop-and-Go Condition Delays Generally Longer than Acceptable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forced flow, vehicle movements are slow to circulate, drivers wedge into the line.</li> <li>Represents an intersection failure condition that is caused by geometric and/or operational constraints external to the intersection</li> </ul>

All level of service analyses described in this report were performed in accordance with the procedures described above. As a final note, the Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) analysis and procedures are based upon worst case conditions. Therefore, most of each weekday and the weekends will experience traffic conditions better than those described within this document, which are only for the peak hours of operation.

## LEVEL OF SERVICE AND TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

### *Existing Level of Service and Traffic Analysis*

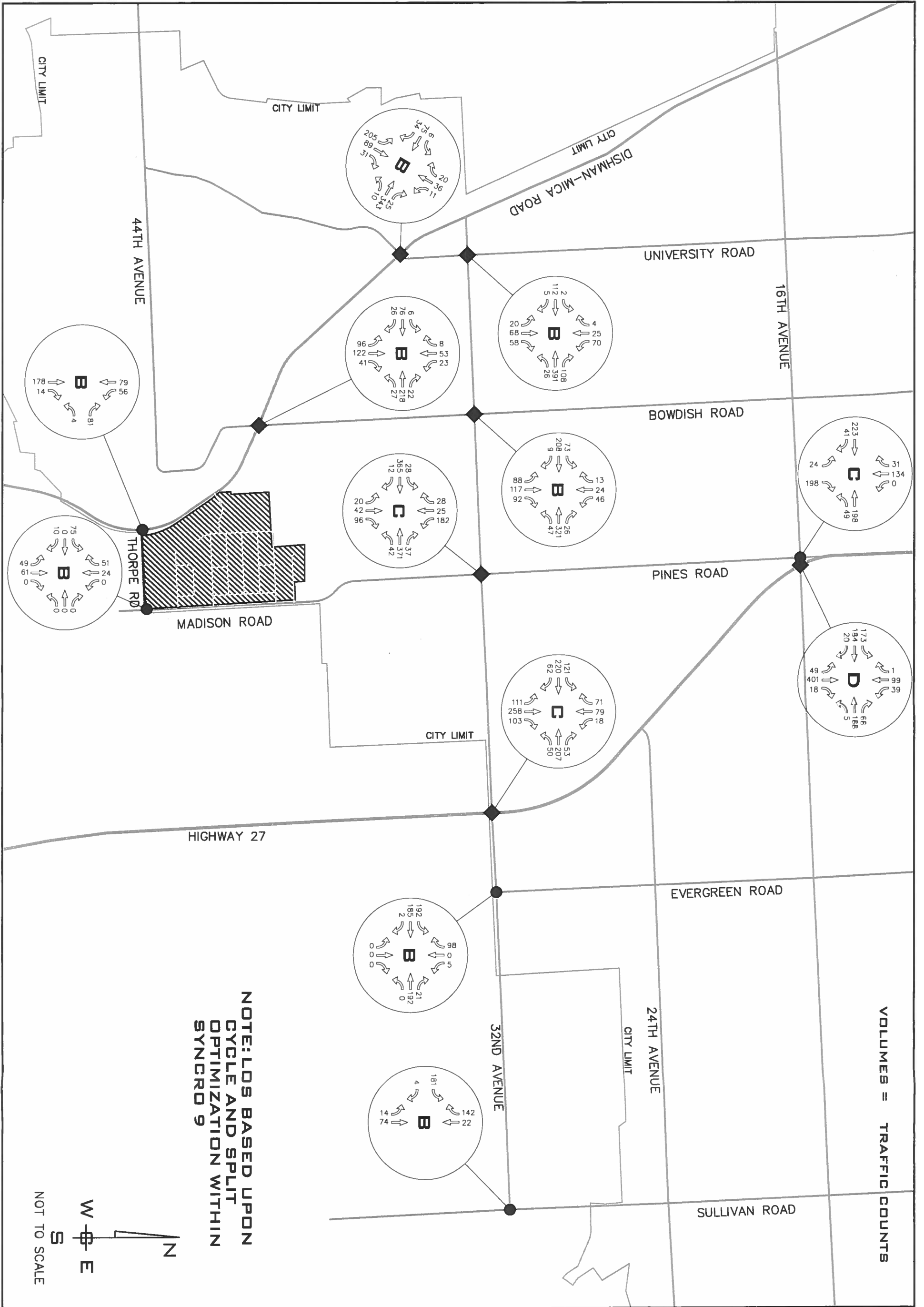
The existing levels of service at the existing intersections were calculated using the methods from the *2010 Highway Capacity Manual* as implemented in Synchro, *version 9 - Build 902*. The existing levels of service for the intersections within the study area are summarized on the following table. The existing traffic volumes used for this report are shown on Figures 3 & 4.

**Table 2 - Existing Intersections Levels of Service**

INTERSECTION	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
		Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	S	13.6	B	12.4	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	S	17.8	B	19.0	B
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	S	16.2	B	12.2	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	S	13.8	B	12.1	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	10.1	B	9.8	A
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	U	19.5	C	27.7	D
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	37.2	D	29.5	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	S	24.4	C	15.6	B
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	11.0	B	9.5	A
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	25.3	C	26.4	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	U	10.6	B	24.0	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	U	11.1	B	12.5	B

The City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT have established level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and level of service E for unsignalized intersections.

As shown above the existing intersections within the study area are currently operating within acceptable levels of service.



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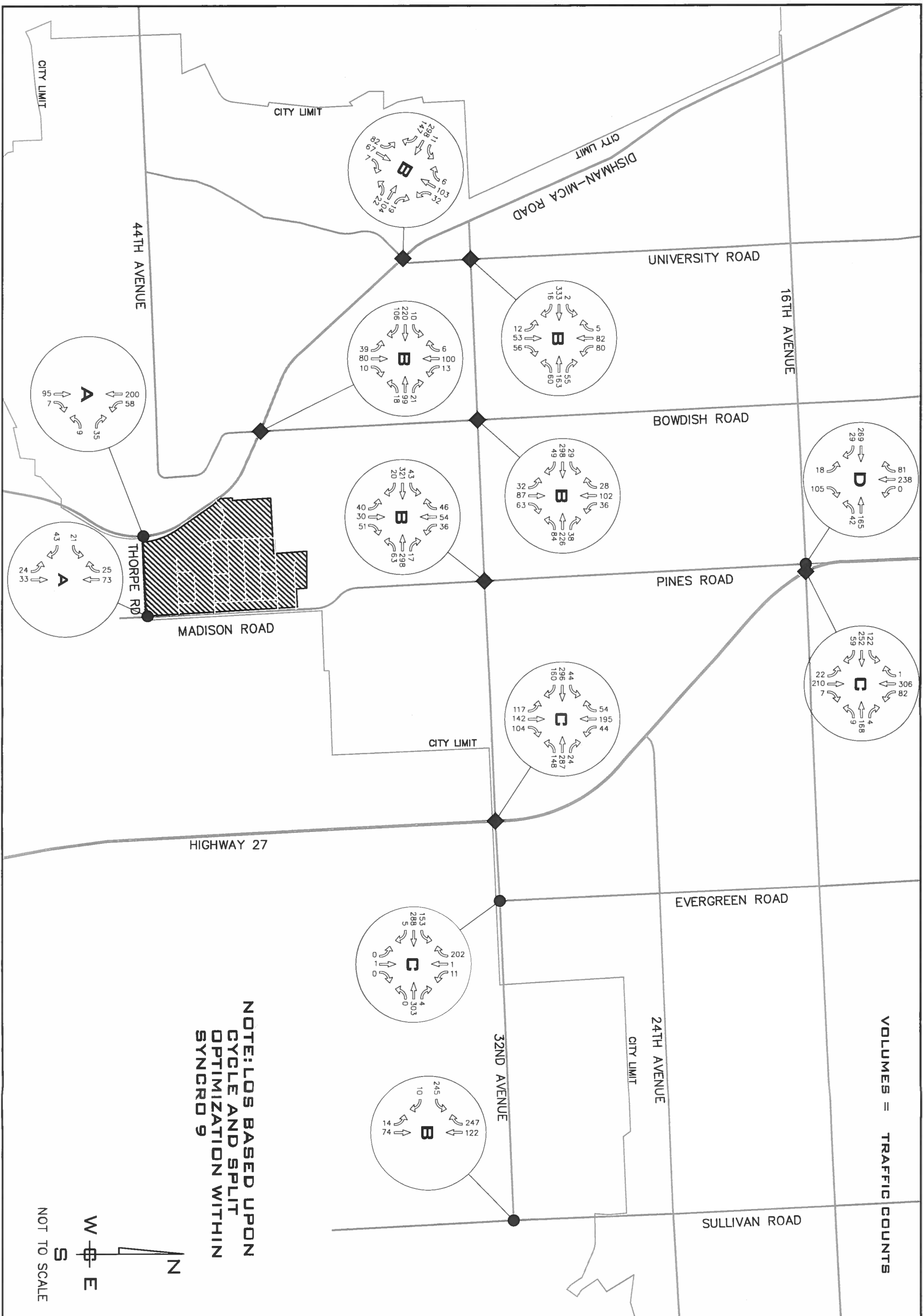
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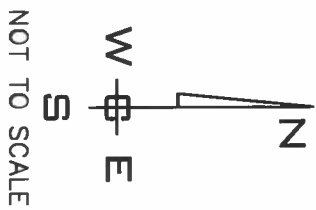
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**FIGURE 3**





NOTE: LOS BASED UPON  
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VOLUMES = TRAFFIC COUNTS

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FIGURE 4

## BACKGROUND TRAFFIC GROWTH & BACKGROUND PROJECTS

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### *Background Traffic Growth*

Background traffic growth is an anticipated increase in traffic volume from year to year. As the existing land uses that surround a transportation facility mature, an increase in traffic results may be due to either an increase in drivers per household or a household's purchase of an additional vehicle. Many things can cause an increase in the traffic volumes of a facility. The objective of the background traffic growth rate is to anticipate what the traffic volumes may be in the future. The background traffic growth rate for an area or street is determined by means of physical counts collected by local governmental agencies. The counts are compared on a yearly basis and a rate of increase is calculated from the data.

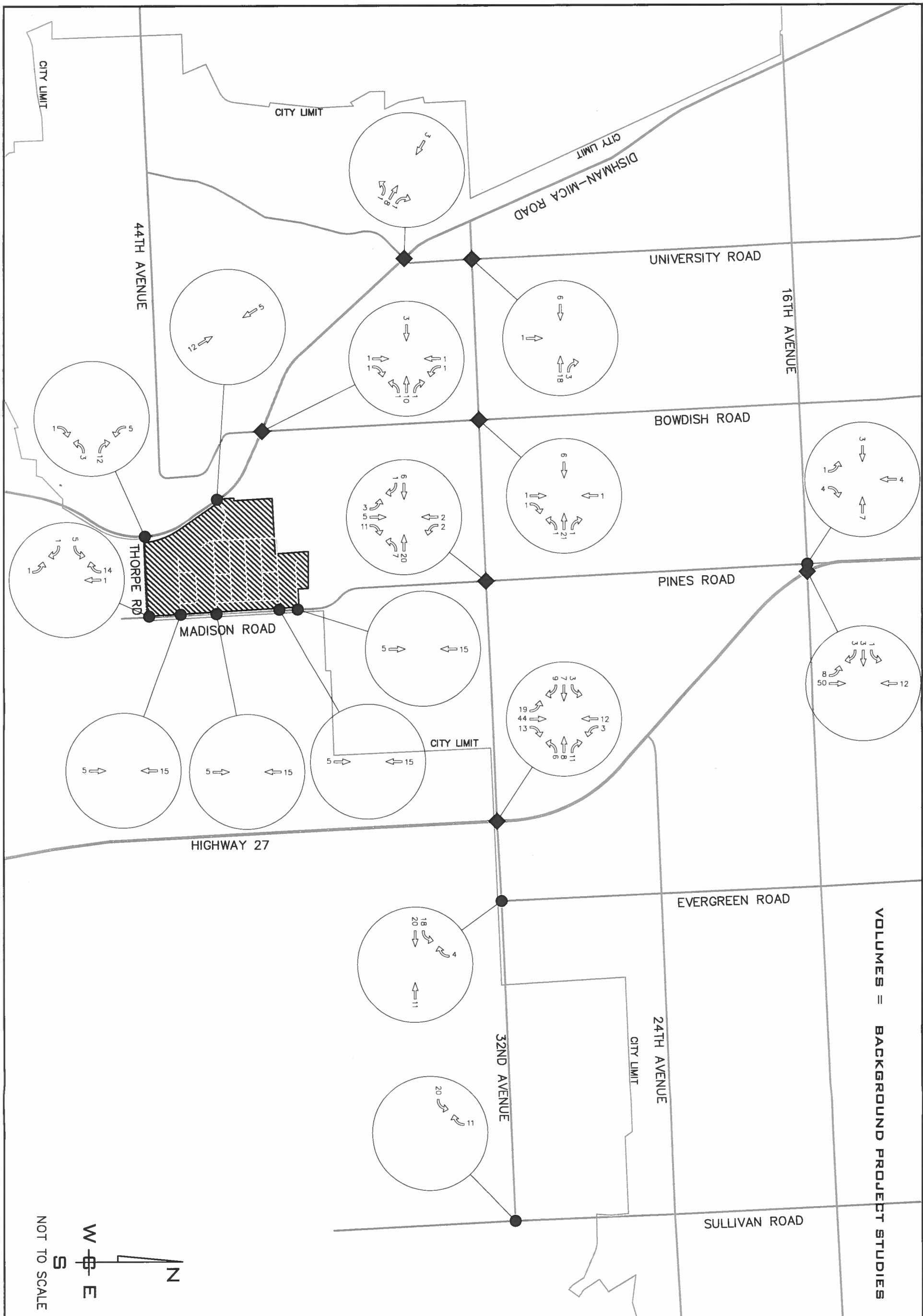
For the study area, the background growth rate was determined by the City of Spokane Valley to be 1.1% per year. Based on a five-year build out (2020), compounded annually, the total increase in traffic is anticipated to total 5.6%. For the horizon year (2040) the total increase in traffic is anticipated to total 31.5%

### *Background Project Traffic*

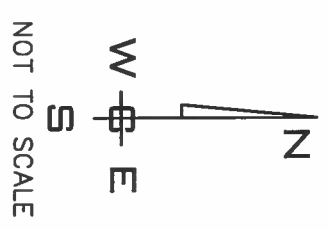
In addition to the increase in background growth, background projects that have already been approved or have made application and vested before this project have been included. The following projects have been scoped by the City of Spokane Valley, Spokane County, and WSDOT.

- Paxton Addition
- The Creek at Chester
- Pine Ridge Apartments
- Elk Ridge Heights

Since the traffic from these background projects are not currently included in the existing traffic counts/volumes, the AM & PM trips anticipated from these developments are added to the future projected traffic volumes. Please see the anticipated increase of traffic due to the build out of these background projects per intersection on Figures 5 & 6.



VOLUMES = BACKGROUND PROJECT STUDIES



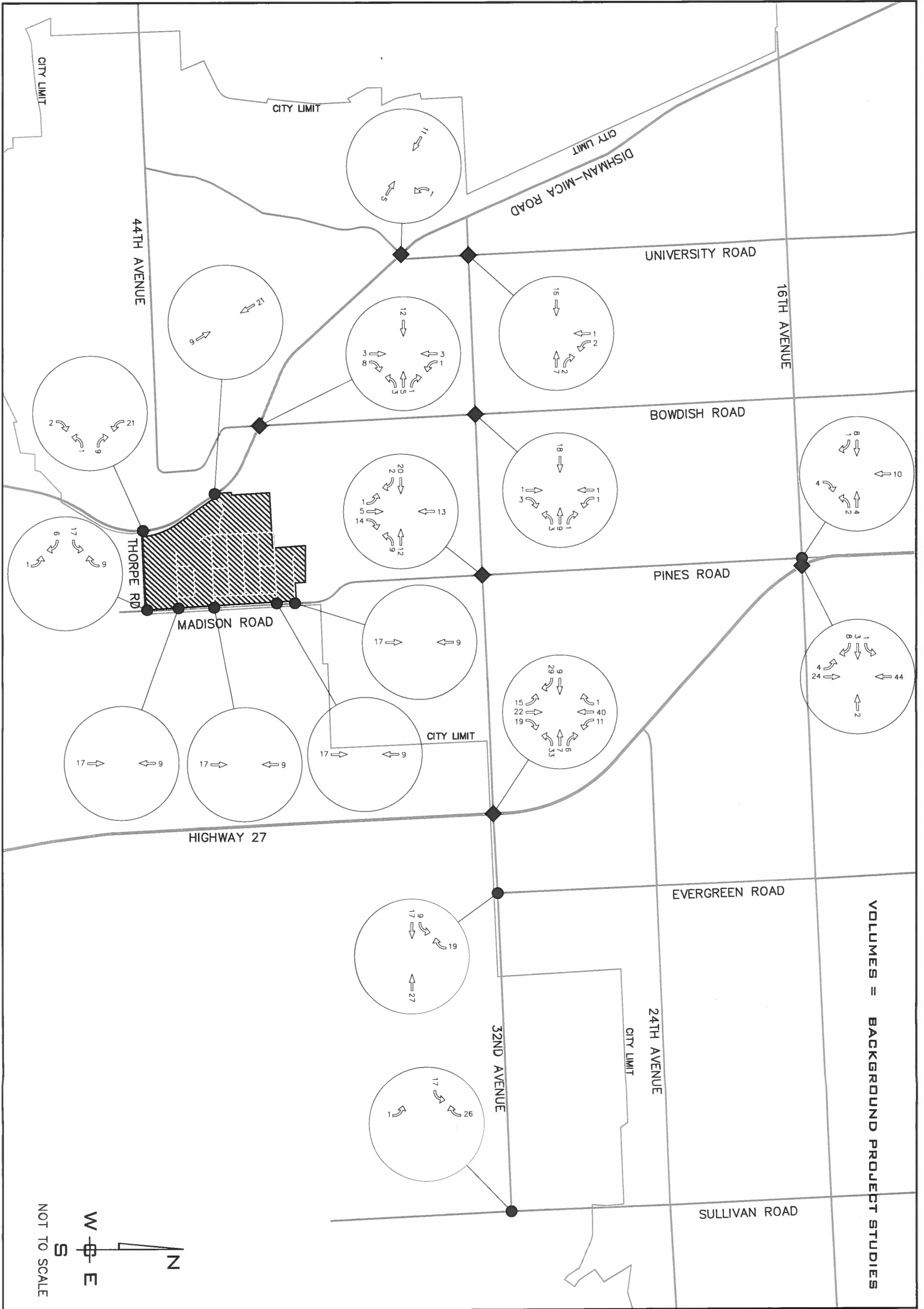
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## TRIP GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION

Trip generation rates for the AM and PM peak hours are determined by the use of the *Trip Generation Manual, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition* published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). The purpose of the *Trip Generation Manual* is to compile and quantify empirical data into trip generation rates for specific land uses within the US, UK and Canada.

For the proposed development that includes 52 Cottage Style Single Family Lots, 206 Single Family Residential Lots, 42 Estate Type Single Family Lots, 228 Apartment Units, and a commercial development (4.26 ± ac), with a total square footage of 26,400 sf (26.4 KSF) and also 52 mixed use apartment units. The ITE Trip Generation Land Use Code (LUC) for each land use is listed below in Table 3.

**Table 3 – Description of Land Use Code**

Description	Number of Units / KSF	Land Use Code (LUC)
Cottage Style Single Family Lots	52 Units	Residential Townhouses – 230
Single Family Residential	206 Units	Single Family Residential – 210
Single Family Residential Estate Type	42 Units	Single Family Residential – 210
Apartments	228 Units	Apartments – 220
Apartments (mixed use)	52 units	Apartments – 220
Commercial Development	26.4 KSF	Shopping Center – 820

### Cottage Style Single Family Lots

For the 52 Cottage Style Single Family lots, Land Use Code #230, Residential Condominium/Townhouses was used to determine the trips generated by the proposed land use. The trips generated by the cottage Style Single Family land use are shown in Table 4.

**Table 4 - Trip Generation Rates for Cottage Style Single Family Lots LUC #230 Residential Townhouses**

Number of Lots	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.44 trips/ Unit	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 0.52 trips/ Unit	Directional Distribution	
		17% In	83% Out		67% In	33% Out
52	23	4	19	28	19	9
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Lots</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
52	5.81	303				

As shown in Table 4, in the AM peak hour the Cottage lots are anticipated to generate 23 driveway trips, with 4 trips entering the site, and 19 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 28 driveway trips; with 19 trips entering the site, and 9 trips exiting the site. The Cottage Lots are anticipated to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 303 trips to/from the site per day.

**Single Family Residential**

For the 206 single family units, Land Use Code #210, Single Family Residential, was used to determine the trips generated by the proposed land use. The trips generated by the single family residential land use are shown in Table 5.

**Table 5 - Trip Generation Rates for Single Family Lots LUC #210 Single Family Residential**

Number of Lots	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.75 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 1.0 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution	
		25% In	75% Out		63% In	37% Out
206	155	39	116	206	130	76
Internal	2	1	1	10	6	4
Driveway	153	38	115	196	124	72
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Lots</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
206	9.52	1,962				

As shown in Table 5, in the AM peak hour the Single Family Residential lots are anticipated to generate 153 driveway trips, with 38 driveway trips entering the site, and 115 driveway trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 196 driveway trips; with 124 driveway trips entering the site, and 72 driveway trips exiting the site. The Single Family Residential Lots are anticipated to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 1,962 trips to/from the site per day.

**Estate Type Single Family Lots – Single Family Residential**

For the 42 Estate Type Single Family lots, Land Use Code #210, Single Family Residential, was used to determine the trips generated by the proposed land use. The trips generated by the Estate type lots land use are shown in Table 6.

**Table 6 - Trip Generation Rates for Estate Type Single Family Lots LUC #210 Single Family Residential**

Number of Units	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.75 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 1.0 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution	
		25% In	75% Out		63% In	37% Out
42	32	8	24	42	26	16
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Units</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
42	9.52	400				

As shown in Table 6, in the AM peak hour the Estate Type Single Family lots are anticipated to generate 32 driveway trips, with 8 trips entering the site, and 24 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 42 driveway trips; with 26 trips entering the site, and 16 trips exiting the site. The Estate Type Single Family Lots are anticipated to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 400 trips to/from the site per day.

**Apartments – Multi-Family Residential**

For the 228 unit Multi-Family Apartment Complex, Land Use Code #220, Apartment was used to determine the trips generated by the proposed land use. The trips generated by the apartment land use are shown in Table 7.

**Table 7 - Trip Generation Rates for Apartment Units LUC #220 Apartment**

Number of Units	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.51 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 0.62 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution	
		20% In	80% Out		65% In	35% Out
228	117	23	94	142	92	50
Internal	1	0	1	10	6	4
Driveway	116	23	93	132	86	46
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Units</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
228	6.65	1,517				

As shown in Table 7, in the AM peak hour the Apartment Complex is anticipated to generate 116 driveway trips, with 23 driveway trips entering the site, and 93 driveway trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 132 driveway trips; with 86 driveway trips entering the site, and 46 driveway trips exiting the site. The Apartment Complex is expected to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 1,517 trips to/from the site per day.

**52 Apartments (Mixed Use) – Multi-Family Residential**

For the Multi-Family Apartment Units (Mixed Use) located above the commercial development, Land Use Code #220, Apartment was used to determine the trips generated for the proposed land use. The trips generated by the Apartment (Mixed Use) land use are shown in Table 8.

**Table 8 - Trip Generation Rates for LUC #220 Apartment (Mixed Use)**

Number of Units	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.51 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 0.62 Trips/Unit	Directional Distribution	
		20% In	80% Out		65% In	35% Out
52	27	5	22	33	21	12
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Units</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
52	6.65	346				

As shown in Table 8, in the AM peak hour the Multi-Family Apartment Units, above the commercial development, are anticipated to generate 27 driveway trips, with 5 trips entering the site, and 22 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 33 driveway trips; with 21 trips entering the site, and 12 trips exiting the site. These Apartment Units are expected to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 346 trips to/from the site per day.

**Commercial**

For the 26,400 sf (26.4 KSF) commercial development Land Use Code #820, Shopping Center was used to determine the trips generated by the proposed land use. The trips generated by the commercial development land use are shown in Table 9.

**Table 9 - Trip Generation Rates for LUC #820 Shopping Center**

Thousand Square Feet KSF (Max)	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. @ 0.96 Trips/KSF	Directional Distribution		Vol. @ 3.71 Trips/KSF	Directional Distribution	
		62% In	38% Out		48% In	52% Out
26.4	26	16	10	98	47	51
Internal	3	2	1	20	9	11
Pass By	8	5	3	27	13	14
New	15	9	6	51	25	26
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>				Pass-by 34% per ITE Trip handbook Table 5.6		
<b>KSF</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
26.4	42.7	1,128				

As shown in Table 9, in the AM peak hour the Shopping Center is anticipated to generate 15 new trips, with 9 new trips entering the site, and 6 new trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 51 new trips; with 25 new trips entering the site, and 26 new trips exiting the site. The Commercial Development is anticipated to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 1,128 trips to/from the site per day.

**Driveway Trips**

The proposed development driveway trips generated on the transportation system are shown in the table below.

**Table 10 – Driveway Trips Generation Summary**

Land Use Code (LUC)	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution		Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution	
		In	Out		In	Out
LUC #230 Townhouses (Cottage Style)	23	4	19	28	19	9
LUC #210 Single Family Residential	153	38	115	196	124	72
LUC #210 Single Family Residential (Estate Lots)	32	8	24	42	26	16
LUC #220 Apartment	116	23	93	132	86	46
LUC #220 Apartment (mixed use)	27	5	22	33	21	12
LUC #820 Shopping Center	15	9	6	51	25	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>181</b>
<b>Average Daily Trip Ends (ADT)</b>						
<b>Land Use Code (LUC)</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>ADT</b>				
LUC #230 Townhouses	-	303				
LUC #210 Single Family Residential	-	1,962				
LUC #210 Single Family Residential (Estate Lots)	-	400				
LUC #220 Apartment	-	1,516				
LUC #220 Apartment (mixed use)	-	346				
LUC #820 Shopping Center	-	1,128				
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,655</b>				



As shown in Table 10, in the AM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 366 driveway trips, with 87 trips entering the site, and 279 trips exiting the site via the 9 access opportunities previously noted. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 482 driveway trips; with 301 trips entering the site, and 181 trips exiting the site via the 9 access opportunities previously noted. The site is anticipated to have an Average Daily Trips (ADT) of 5,655 trips to/from the site per day, via the 9 access opportunities previously noted.

### Pass-by Trips

The pass-by trip, as shown on Table 11, is a trip that is currently on the adjacent roadway and turns into the land use as a matter of convenience on the way to their final destination (work/home). The internal trip is a trip that is generated within the proposed land uses when a vehicle/consumer will stop at more than one place on the site. The proposed development pass-by trips generated on the transportation system are shown in the table below. Please see the map of pass-by trips on Figure 9.

**Table 11 – Pass-by Trips Generation Summary**

Land Use Code (LUC)	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution		Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution	
		In	Out		In	Out
LUC #820 Shopping Center	8	5	3	27	13	14

As shown in Table 11, in the AM peak hour the commercial development is anticipated to generate 8 pass-by trips, with 5 trips entering the site, and 3 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the commercial development is anticipated to generate 27 pass-by trips; with 13 trips entering the site, and 14 trips exiting the site.

### Internal Trips

The internal trip generation was established using the methodology set forth in ITE Trip Generation Handbook Chapter 7. The proposed development internal trips generation on the internal road network between the Single Family Residential, Apartments, and Commercial land uses are summarized in the table below.

**Table 12 – Internal Trips Generation Summary**

Land Use Code (LUC)	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
	Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution		Vol. per LUC	Directional Distribution	
		In	Out		In	Out
LUC #210 Single Family Residential	2	1	1	10	6	4
LUC #220 Apartment	1	0	1	10	6	4
LUC #820 Shopping Center	3	2	1	20	8	12
Total	6	3	3	40	20	20

As shown in Table 12, in the AM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 6 internal trips, with 3 trips entering the site, and 3 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour the project is anticipated to generate 40 internal trips; with 20 trips entering the site, and 20 trips exiting the site.

### ***Trip Distribution Characteristics for the Proposed Project***

Considering many factors such as the development surrounding the proposed project, the general commuter traffic in the area, the geography in the vicinity of the site, and the existing transportation facilities in the surrounding area, the following distribution from the proposed project applies:

#### **Cottages Style Single Family (Townhouses)**

It is anticipated that 100% of the trips will go to/from the north via Madison Road towards 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. At 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, traffic will follow the existing traffic patterns of the intersection, In the AM peak hour from the intersection of 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Pines Road 57% of the trips will be traveling to/from the east, 29% of the trips will be traveling to/from the north, and 14% of the trips will be traveling to/from the west. Please see Figure 7A in the appendix. In the PM peak hour from the intersection of 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Pines Road 44% of the trips will be traveling to/from the east, 32% of the trips will be traveling to/from the north, and 24% of the trips will be traveling to/from the west. Please see Figure 8A in the appendix.

#### **Estate Type Single Family**

It is anticipated that 50% of the trips will go to/from the north on Madison Road towards 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, and 50% of the trips will go to/from the south on Madison Road towards Thorpe Road, then towards Dishman-Mica Road, where 45% of trips go to/from the north, and 5% of trips go to/from the south. Please see Figures 7B and 8B in the appendix.

At the intersection of Dishman-Mica Road & Bowdish Road In the AM peak hour 5% will go to/from the north 31% will go to/from the west and 9% will go to/from the south. In the PM peak hour 5% will go to/from the north 38% will go to/from the west and 2% will go to/from the south.

At the intersection of 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue & Pines Road In the AM peak hour 9% will go to/from the west, 16% will go to/from the north and 25% will go to/from the east. In the PM peak hour 12% will go to/from the west, 16% will go to/from the north and 22% will go to/from the east.

#### **Single Family Residential**

It is anticipated that the trips will be split 50/50 with half of the trips going to Madison Road, and half of the trips going to Dishman-Mica Road where 45% go to/from the north and 5% go to/from the south. Please see Figures 7C and 8C in the appendix.

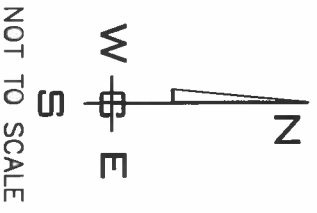
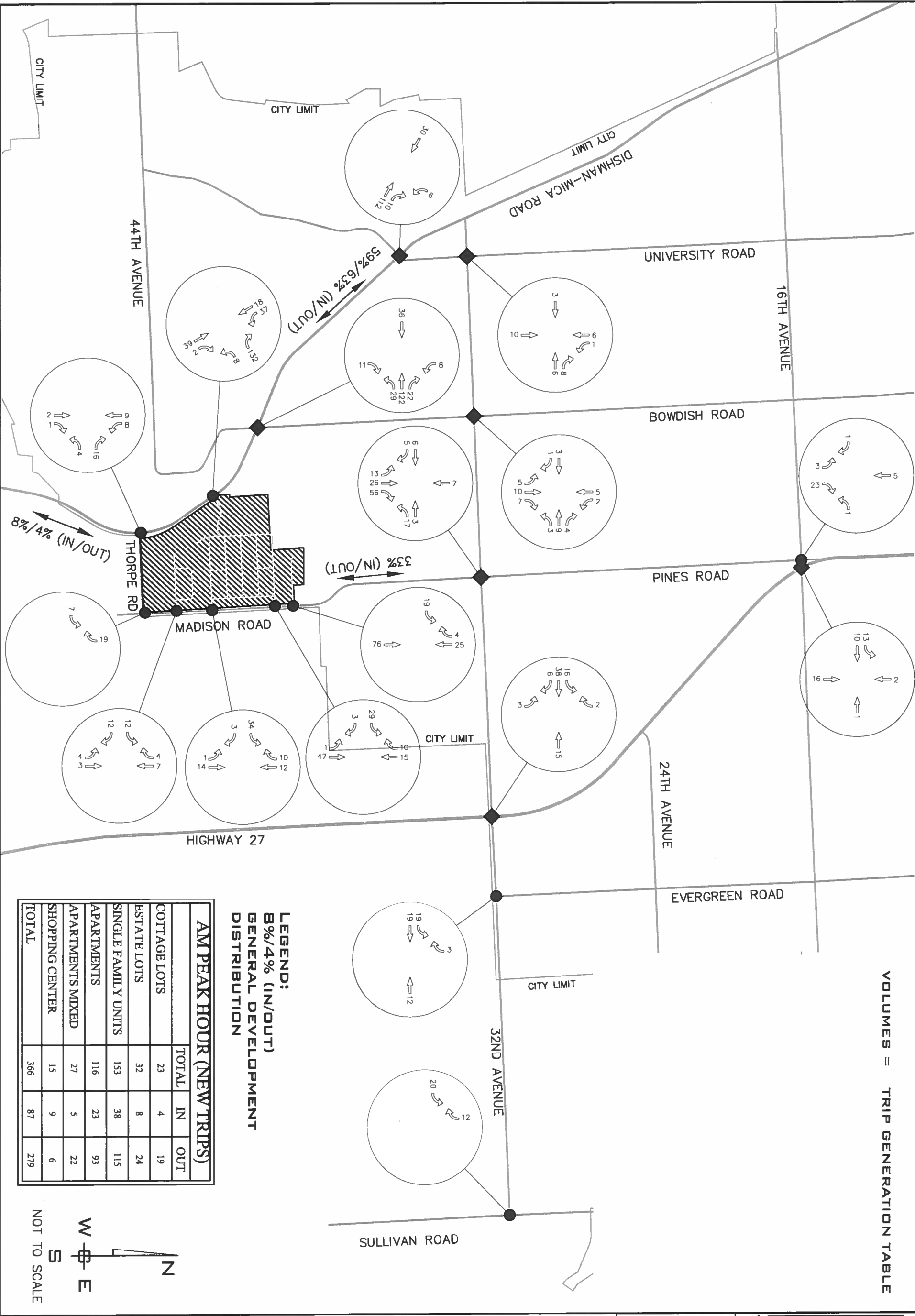
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**Apartments - Apartments (Mixed Use) –Land uses Commercial**

It is anticipated that 100% of the trips will go to/from Dishman-Mica Road, where 5% of trips go to/from the south, and 5% of trips will go east around to Madison Road and 90% of trips go to/from the north, where in the AM peak hour 11% will go to/from the north 61% will go to/from the west and 18% will go to/from the south. In the PM peak hour 10% will go to/from the north 76% will go to/from the west and 4% will go to/from the south. Beyond this distribution trips will follow existing traffic patterns. For Apartments Please see Figures 7D and 8D in the appendix. For Apartments (Mixed Use) please see Figures 7E and 8E in the appendix. For Commercial Please see Figures 7F and 8F in the appendix.



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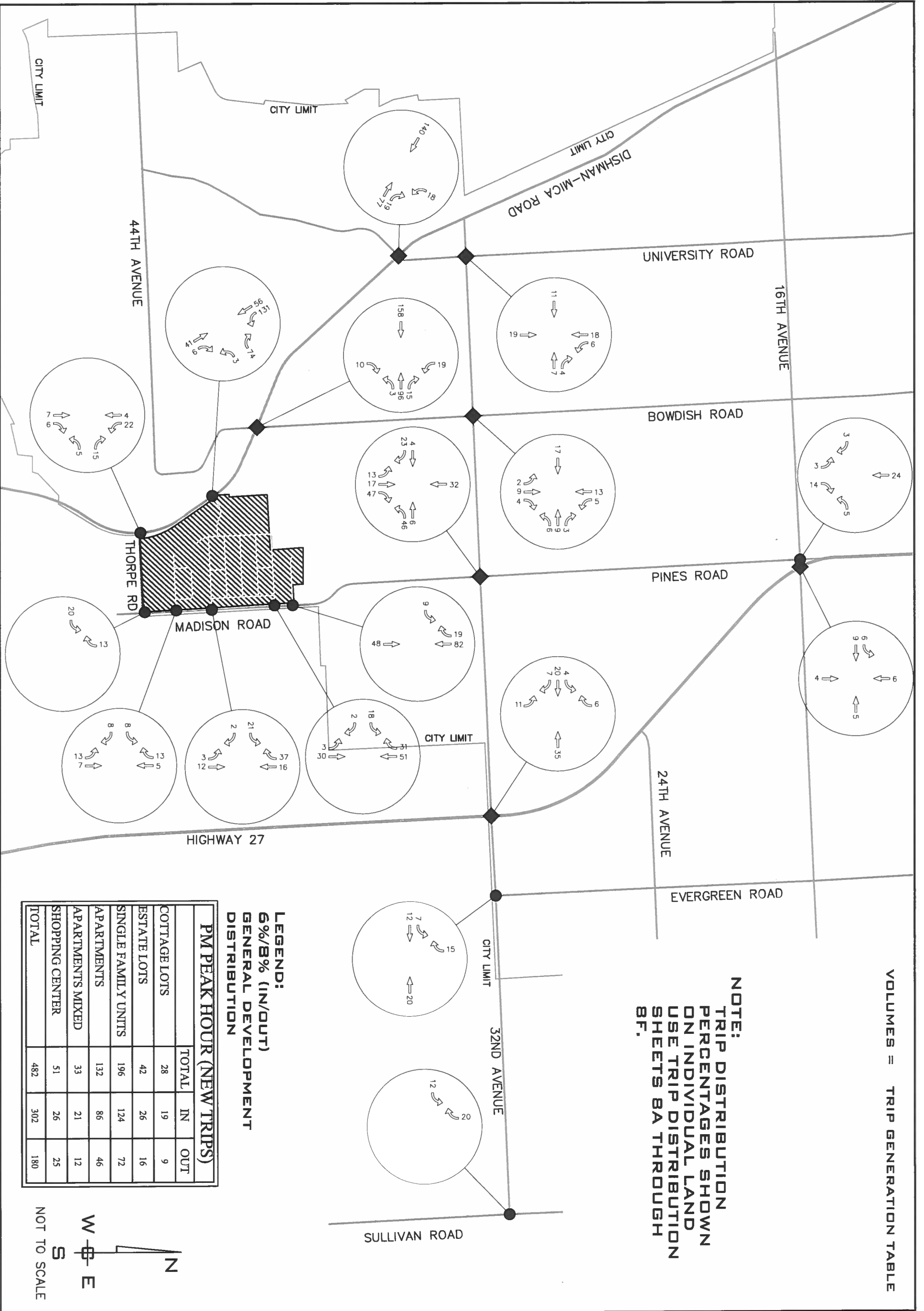
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FIGURE 7

VOLUMES = TRIP GENERATION TABLE

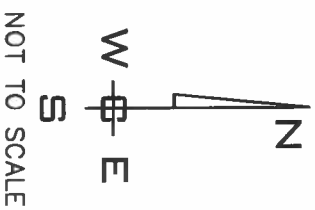
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TRIP DISTRIBUTION  
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**LEGEND:**  
6%/8% (IN/OUT)  
GENERAL DEVELOPMENT  
DISTRIBUTION

**PM PEAK HOUR (NEW TRIPS)**

	TOTAL	IN	OUT
COTTAGE LOTS	28	19	9
ESTATE LOTS	42	26	16
SINGLE FAMILY UNITS	196	124	72
APARTMENTS	132	86	46
APARTMENTS MIXED	33	21	12
SHOPPING CENTER	51	26	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>180</b>



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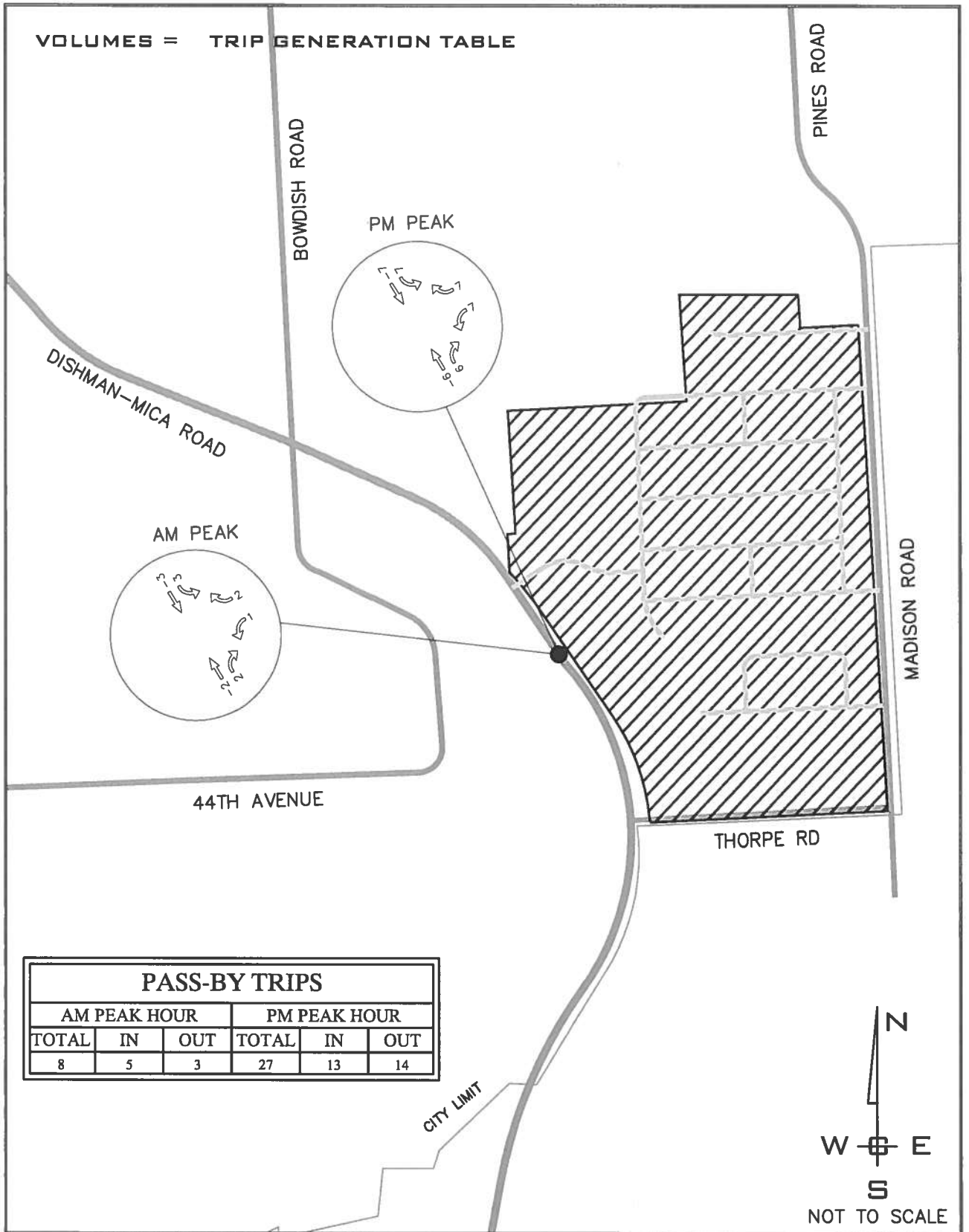
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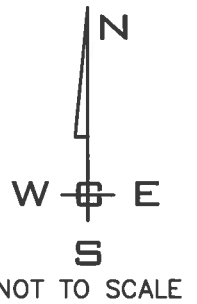
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FIGURE 8

VOLUMES = TRIP GENERATION TABLE



PASS-BY TRIPS					
AM PEAK HOUR			PM PEAK HOUR		
TOTAL	IN	OUT	TOTAL	IN	OUT
8	5	3	27	13	14



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**FIGURE 9**

**AM & PM PASS-BY TRIPS**

## FUTURE YEAR TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

### *Future Year Traffic Impact Analysis*

Level of service calculations for the Year 2020 & 2040 conditions assumed that the existing traffic volumes as shown on Figures 3 & 4 experience an increase above the 2015 volumes at the established background rate. Two scenarios were examined for the year 2020 (buildout) analysis, as well as the horizon year 2040 (planning level study). The first scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward and analyzes the scoped intersections with the background growth rate and the background project trips. The second scenario assumes that the development has moved forward to completion and is builtout. The scenario analyzes the scoped intersections with the background growth rate, the background projects, and the project trips. These scenarios will allow a determination to be made of what the future conditions may be with and without the project.

### **Year 2020 without the Project, with the Background Projects**

This scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward and the background projects have been completed. The traffic volumes for this condition include the existing traffic, as shown on Figures 3 & 4 multiplied by the background growth rate, plus the traffic from the original background projects as shown on Figures 5 & 6. Please see Figures 10 & 11 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the level of service results are shown in the following table.

For this analysis there were no left turns

**Table 13 - Year 2020 Levels of Service, without the Project, with the Background Projects**

INTERSECTION	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
		Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	S	14.7	B	12.5	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	S	18.0	B	19.2	B
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	S	16.8	B	13.4	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	S	14.3	B	12.4	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	10.3	B	9.9	A
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	U	20.7	C	32.6	D
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	39.0	D	30.4	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	S	25.8	C	17.4	B
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	11.3	B	9.8	A
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	27.1	C	29.0	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	U	10.8	B	27.0	D
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	U	11.4	B	12.9	B

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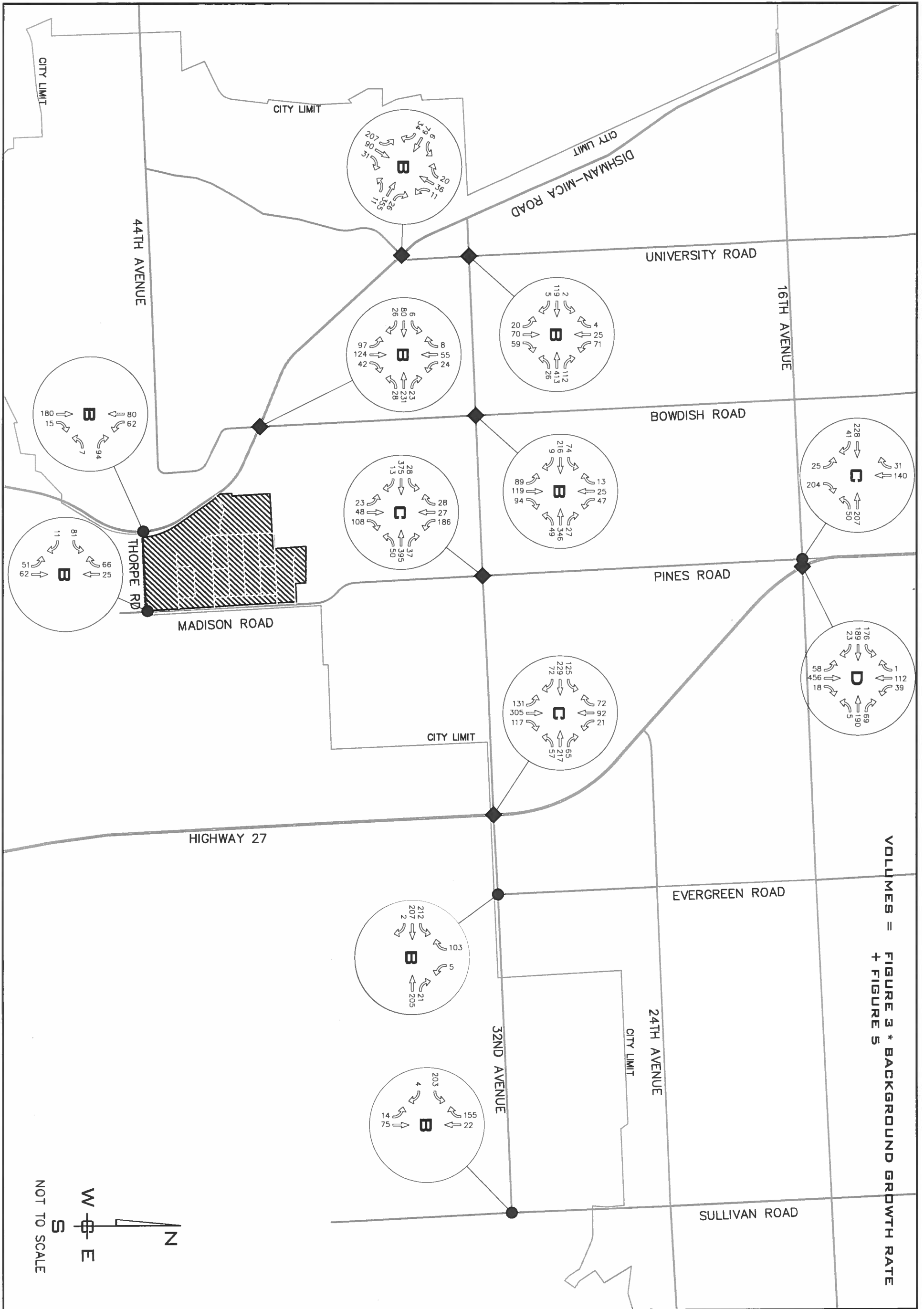


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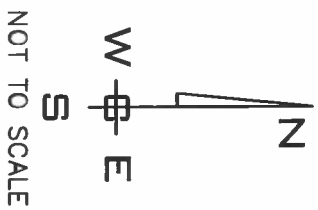
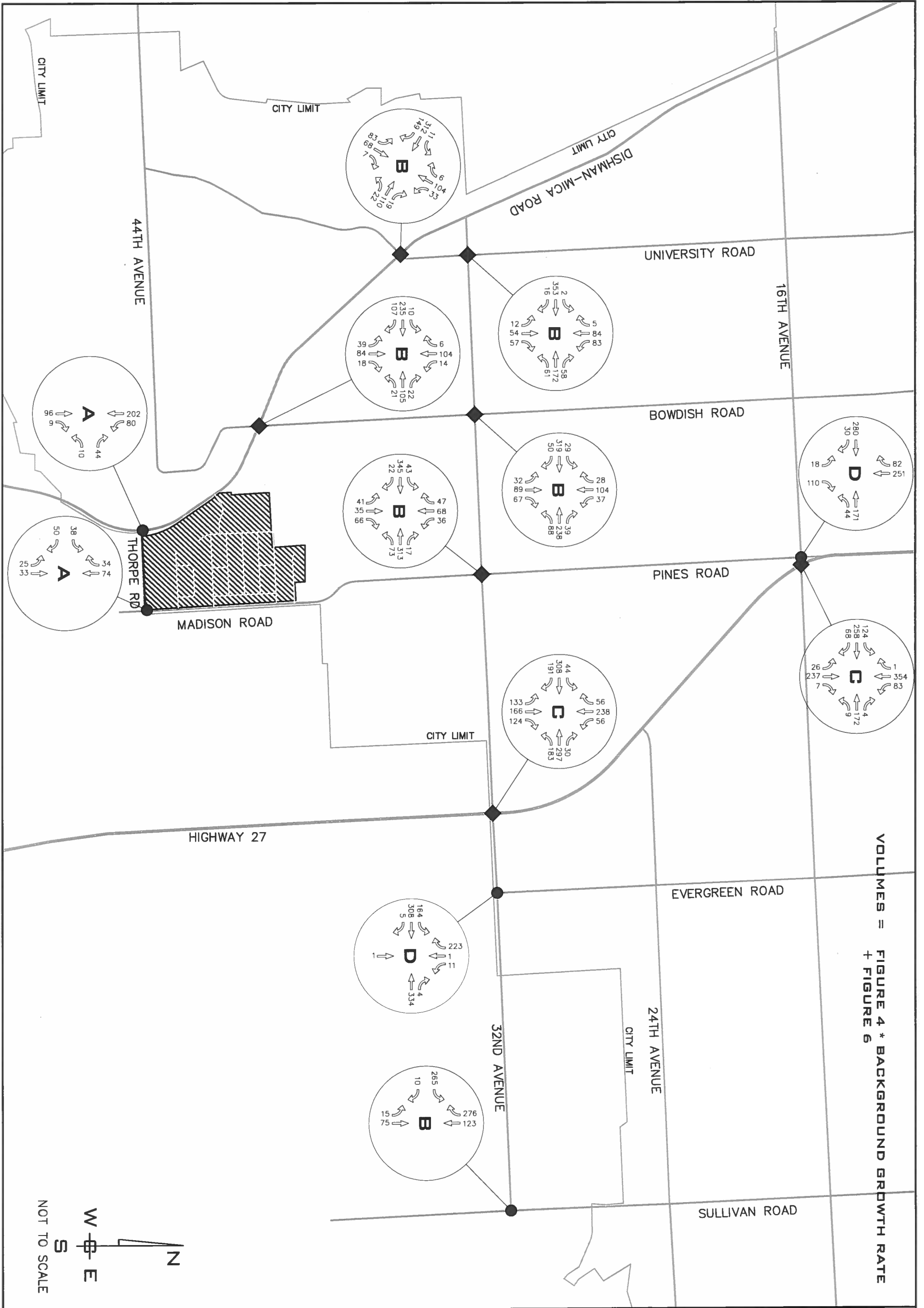
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FIGURE 11

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## Year 2020 with the Project, with the Background Projects

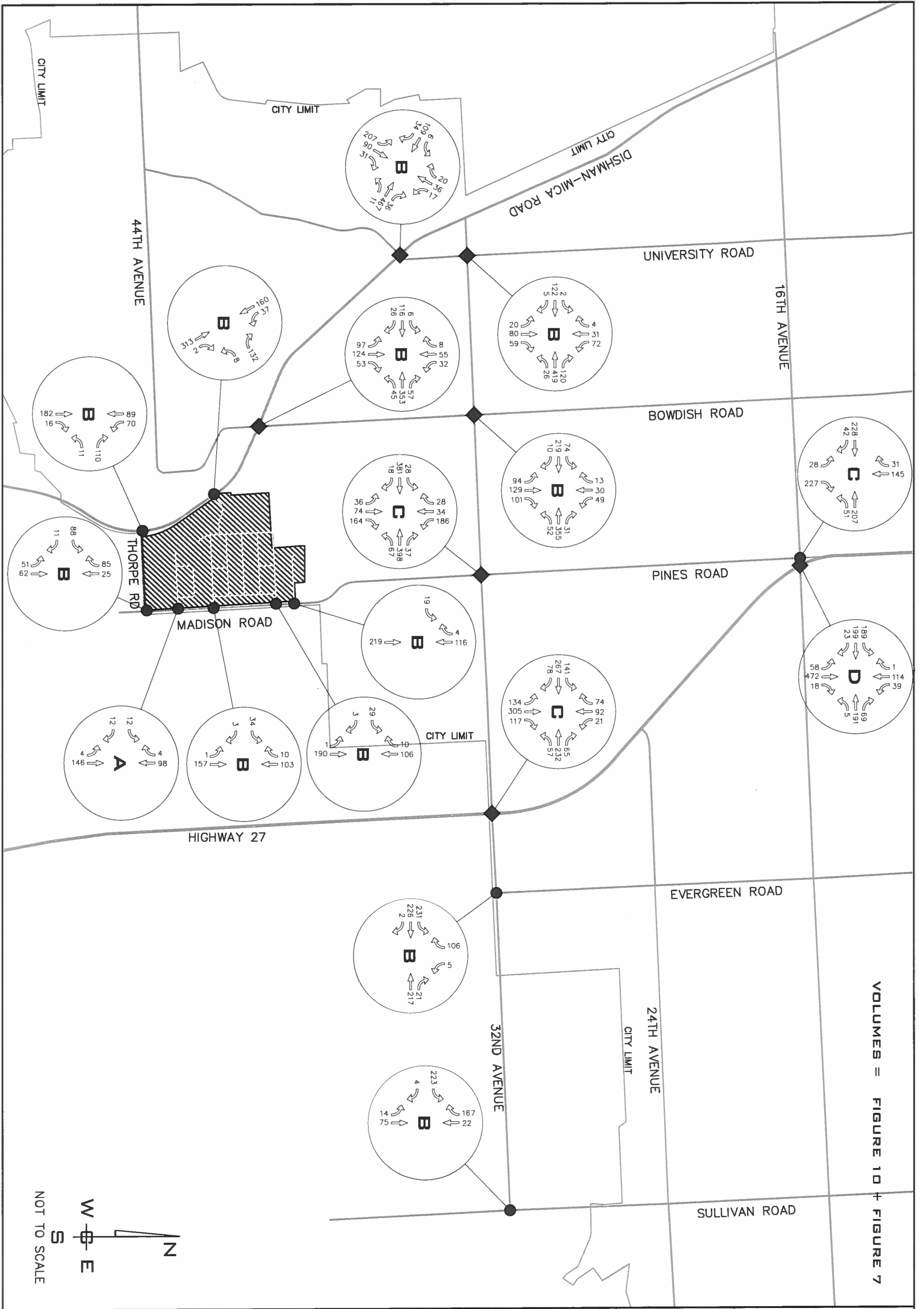
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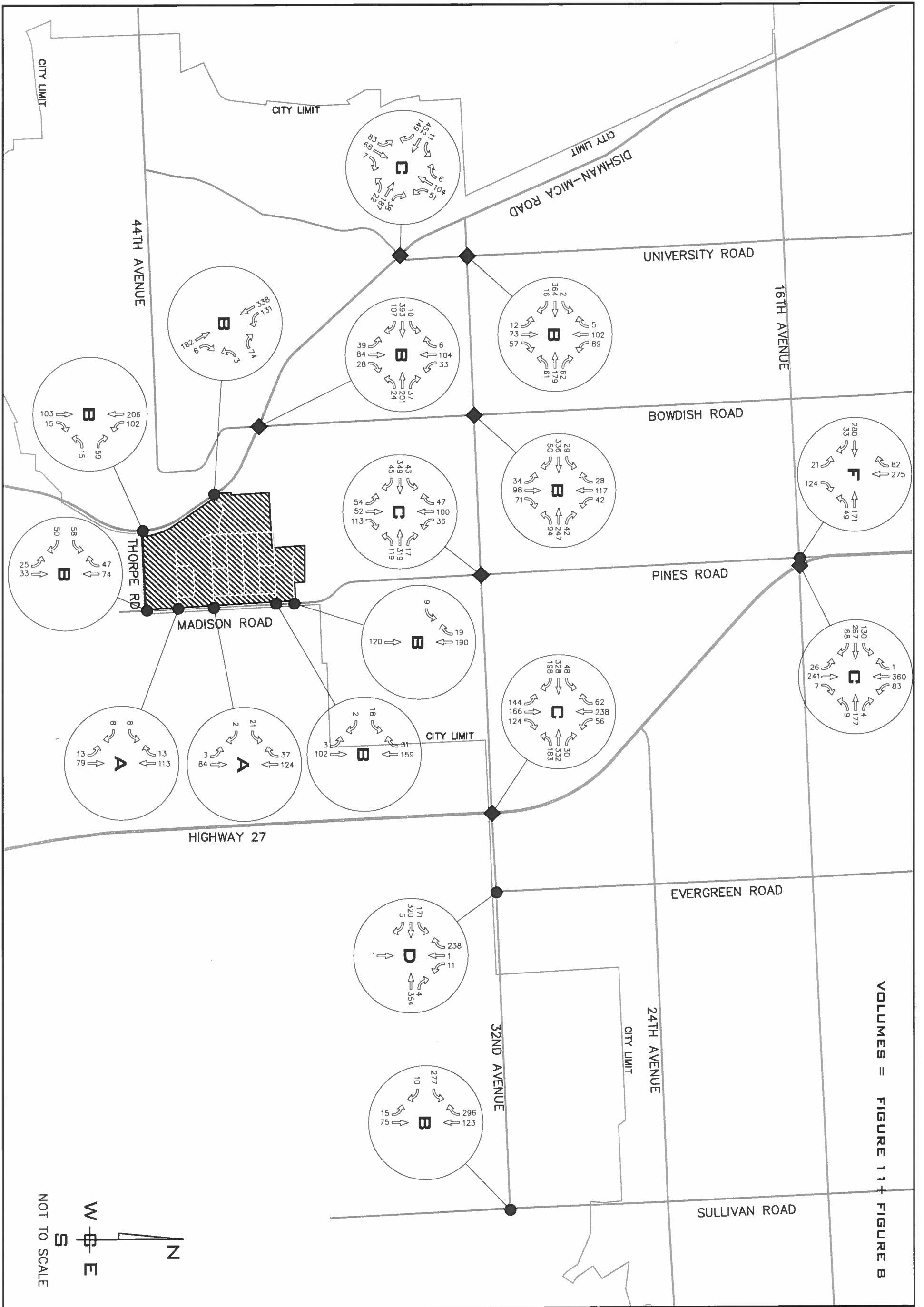
**Table 14 - Year 2020 Levels of Service, with the Project, with the Background Projects**

INTERSECTION	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
		Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	S	14.8	B	13.7	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	S	19.1	B	20.4	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	S	17.7	B	13.8	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	S	16.3	B	13.7	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Sundown Dr (Proposed)	U	11.8	B	10.1	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	10.7	B	10.5	B
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	U	21.4	C	41.7	E
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	40.8	D	31.1	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	S	30.9	C	21.0	C
Madison Rd & Painted Hills Ave (Proposed)	U	10.9	B	10.6	B
Madison Rd & 41 <sup>st</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	10.6	B	10.3	B
Madison Rd & 43 <sup>rd</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	10.3	B	10.0	A
Madison Rd & 44 <sup>th</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	9.6	A	9.5	A
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	11.5	B	10.2	B
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	28.1	C	30.3	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	U	11.1	B	29.4	D
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	U	11.7	B	13.1	B

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For the year 2020 with the project the study area intersections as shown in Table 14 are anticipated to perform at an acceptable level of service



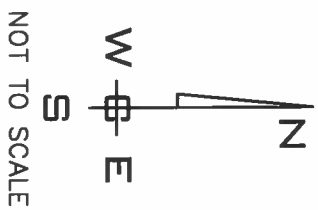


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**FIGURE 13**

## Horizon Year 2040 without the Project, with the Background Projects (Planning Level)

This scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward and the background projects have been completed. The traffic volumes for this condition include the existing traffic, as shown on Figures 3 & 4 multiplied by the background growth rate, plus the traffic from the original background projects as shown on Figures 5 & 6. Please see Figures 14 & 15 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the level of service results are shown in the following table.

**Table 15 - Year 2040 Levels of Service, without the Project, with the Background Projects**

INTERSECTION	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
		Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	S	15.4	B	14.4	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	S	22.6	C	23.4	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	S	23.7	C	16.0	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	S	16.9	B	14.7	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	11.3	B	10.7	B
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd • IMP : Remove SB Approach	U	<b>60.0</b> (24.4)	<b>F</b> (D)	<b>ERR</b> (35.8)	<b>F</b> (E)
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27 • Redirected Volumes	S	<b>57.2</b> (45.4)	<b>E</b> (D)	41.4 (51.4)	D (D)
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	S	36.5	D	22.0	C
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	12.8	B	10.5	B
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	35.1	D	38.3	D
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	U	12.4	B	48.4	E
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	U	13.3	B	16.9	C

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For the year 2040 without the project, most of the study area intersections as shown in Table 15 are anticipated to perform at an acceptable level of service. 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road has delays that are beyond the agency standard, giving it a level of service F in the AM & PM peak hours. Also, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27 has delays that are beyond the agency standard, giving it a level of service E during the AM peak hour.

The intersections levels of service for 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27, can be improved, as well as resolve some of the safety concerns, for the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road. The intersection may be returned to an acceptable level of service by removing the southbound lane and redirecting those trips to the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27. However, this improvement is borderline, and may result further congestion, and may be easily be tipped back to an unacceptable level of service. We recommend that the City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT work on a permanent solution to these intersections.

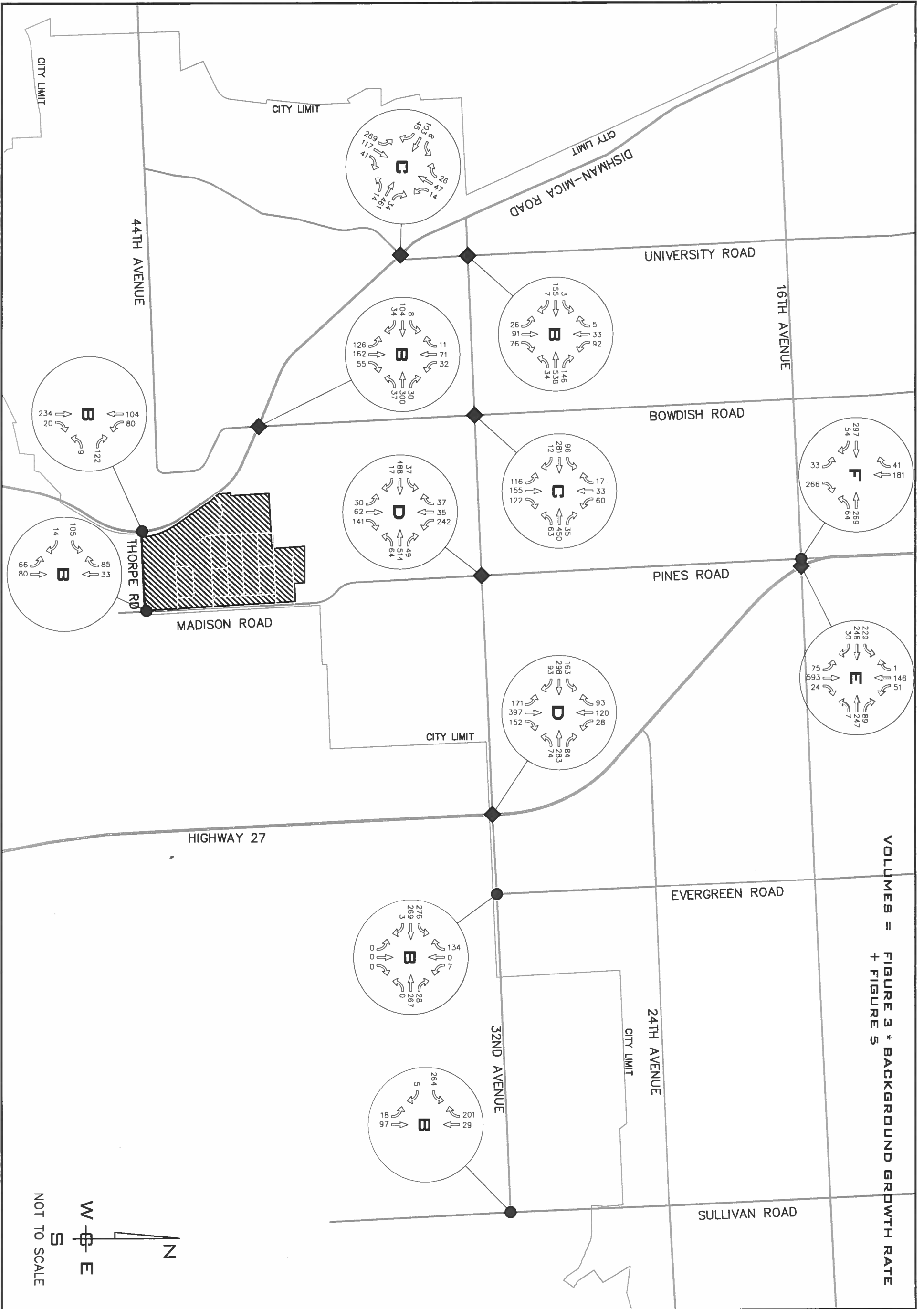


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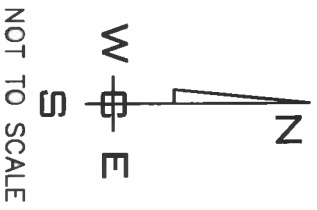
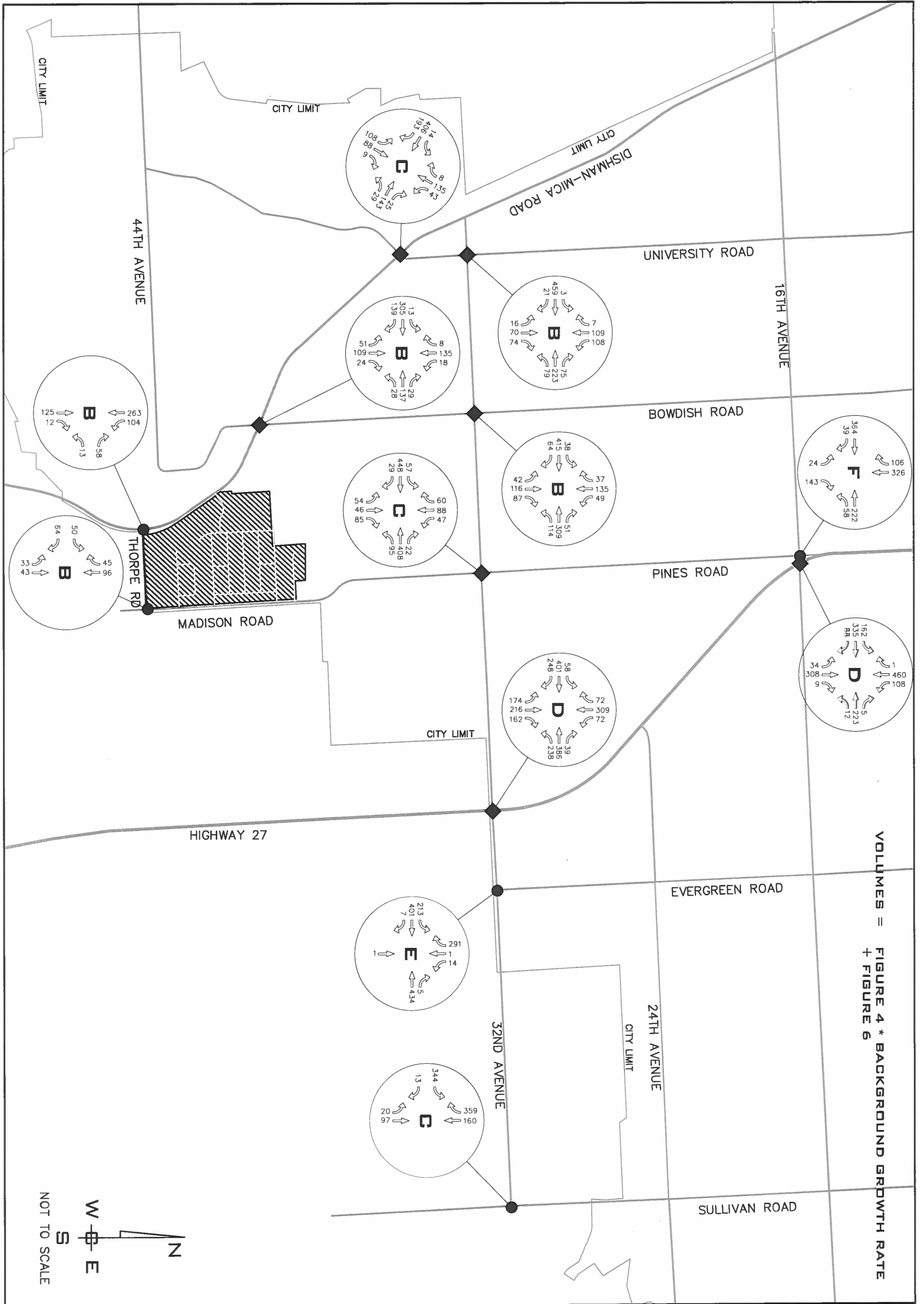


FIGURE 15

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**Horizon Year 2040 with the Project, with the Background Projects**

This scenario assumes that the development has moved forward to completion and the background projects have been completed. The traffic volumes for this condition include the future traffic, as shown on Figures 14 & 15, plus the project trips as shown on Figures 7 & 8. Please see Figures 16 & 17 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the level of service results are shown in the following table.

**Table 16 - Year 2040 Levels of Service, with the Project, with the Background Projects**

INTERSECTION	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized (R)oundabout	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
		Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & University Rd	S	15.6	B	14.7	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & University/Schafer Rd	S	23.3	C	29.1	C
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Bowdish Rd	S	26.0	C	17.0	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Bowdish Rd	S	21.6	C	17.3	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Sundown Dr (Proposed)	U	13.0	B	10.6	B
Dishman-Mica Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	11.8	B	11.5	B
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	U	<b>90.1</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>ERR</b>	<b>F</b>
• IMP : Remove SB Approach	(U)	(28.1)	(D)	<b>(52.6)</b>	<b>(F)</b>
• ALT IMP : Traffic Circle	(R)	(10.1)	(B)	(14.6)	(B)
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	<b>61.7</b>	<b>E</b>	42.5	D
• Redirected Volumes	(S)	(47.2)	(D)	<b>(57.5)</b>	<b>(E)</b>
• ALT IMP : Roundabout	(R)	(12.5)	(B)	(14.2)	(B)
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Pines Rd	S	47.3	D	25.8	C
Madison Rd & Painted Hills Ave (Proposed)	U	11.5	B	11.1	B
Madison Rd & 41 <sup>st</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	11.1	B	10.8	B
Madison Rd & 43 <sup>rd</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	10.9	B	10.4	B
Madison Rd & 44 <sup>th</sup> Ave (Proposed)	U	9.9	A	9.8	A
Madison Rd & Thorpe Rd	U	13.2	B	10.9	B
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & SR 27	S	36.4	D	39.9	D
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Evergreen Rd	U	12.8	B	46.4	E
32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave & Sullivan Rd	U	13.8	B	17.5	C

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For the horizon year 2040 with the project, most of the study area intersections as shown in Table 16 are anticipated to perform at an acceptable level of service. Except, for the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road which has exceeded the agency standard at level of service F in the AM & PM peak hours. Also, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27 has exceeded the agency standard at level of service E during the AM peak hour. The removal of the southbound approach previously suggested only goes so far in reducing traffic safety conflicts and improving the intersection level of service. A solution that was proposed nearly 10 years ago was the installation of a two-lane roundabout at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27, with a traffic circle at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road. This configuration provides the best solution to resolving the Pines Road safety and level of service concerns.



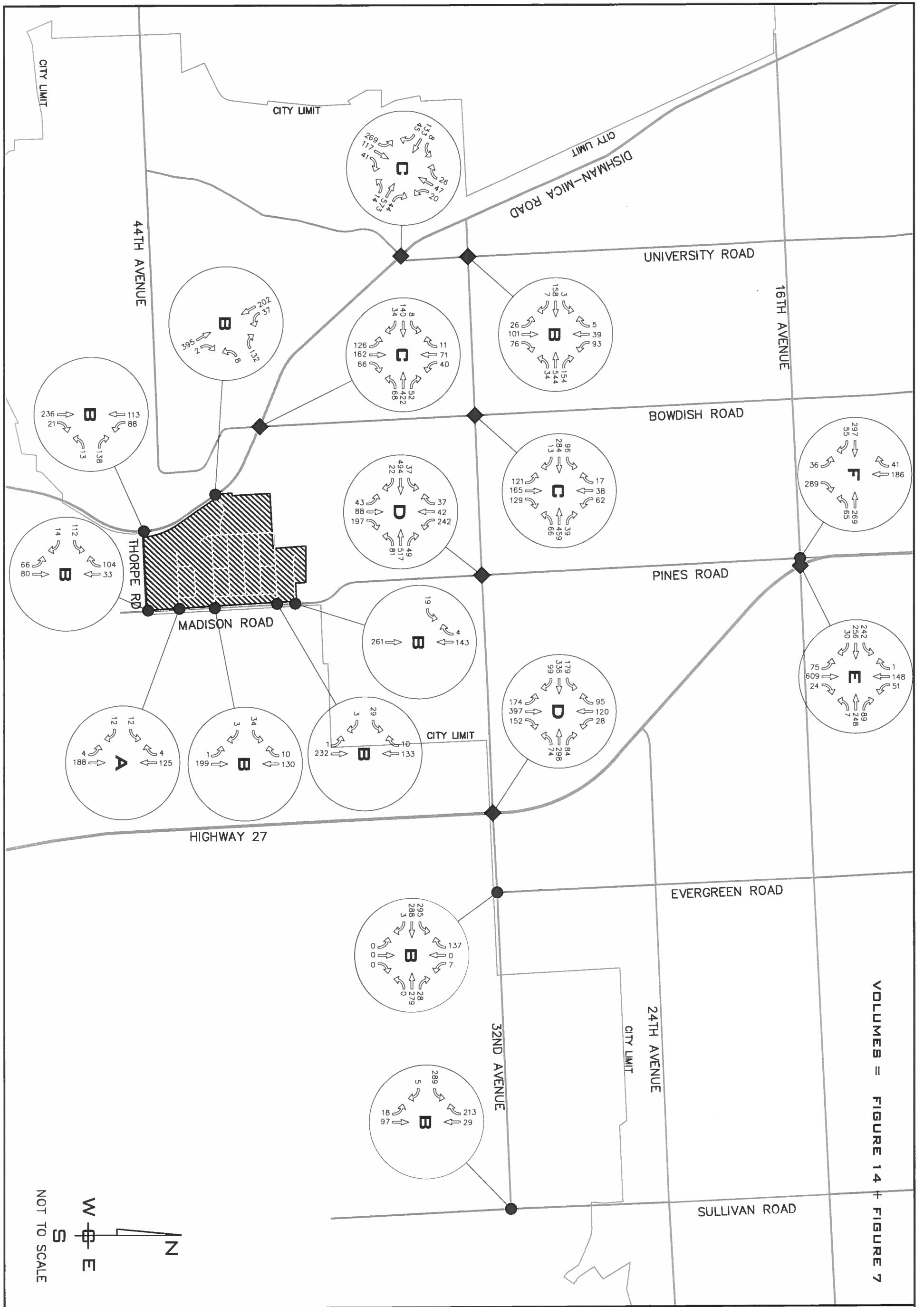


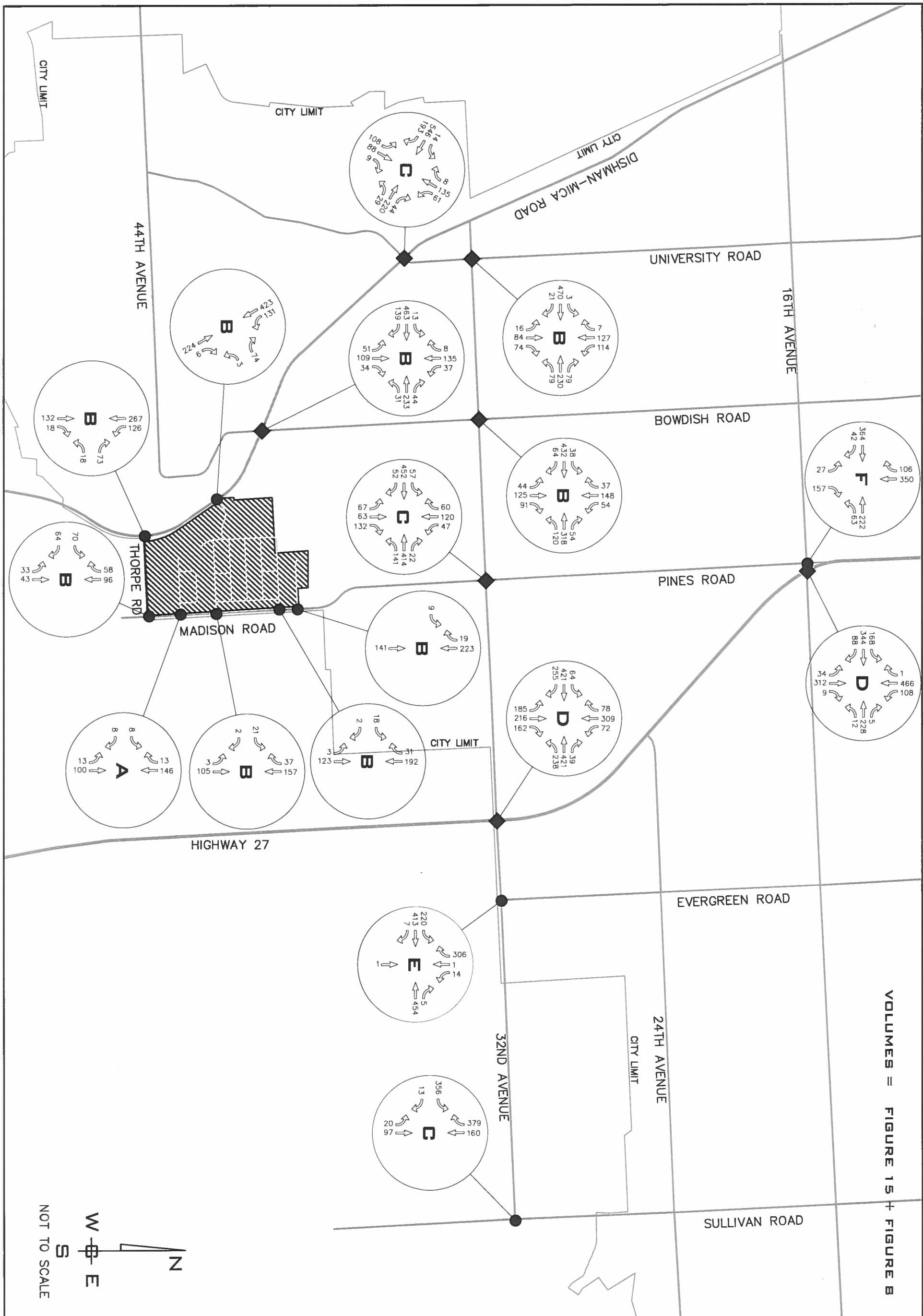
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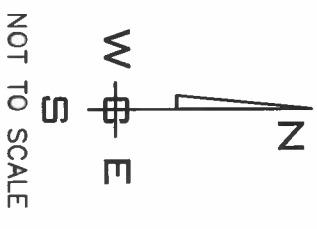


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## CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

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### Conclusions

Based upon the analysis, field observations, assumptions, methodologies and results which are provided in the body of this report, it is concluded that the development of the proposed project will generate trips on the existing transportation system and that those trips while affecting level of service will have no mitigatable impact to the existing transportation system beyond the standards identified within this study. This conclusion was reached and has been documented within the body of this report.

### *Existing Conditions*

- All intersections are currently functioning within acceptable levels of service.

### *Buildout Year 2020, without project, with background projects*

- All intersections are anticipated to function at an acceptable level of service.

### *Buildout Year 2020, with project, with background projects*

- All intersections are anticipated to function at an acceptable level of service.

### *Horizon Year 2040, without project, with background projects*

- Most of the study area intersections are anticipated to perform at an acceptable level of service. However, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road has delays that are operating at an unacceptable level of service, giving it a level of service F in both the AM & PM peak hours. Also, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27 has delays that are operating at an unacceptable level of service, giving it a level of service E during the AM peak hour.
- The intersection levels of service for 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27, can be improved. The intersection may be returned to an acceptable level of service by removing the southbound lane and redirecting those trips to the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27. However, this improvement is borderline, and may result in further congestion, and may easily be tipped back to an unacceptable level of service. We recommend that the City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT work on a permanent solution to these intersections.

### *Horizon Year 2040, with project, with background projects*

- For the horizon year 2040 with the project, most of the study area intersections as shown in Table 16 are anticipated to perform at an acceptable level of service. Except, for the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road which has exceeded the agency standard at level of service F in the AM & PM peak hours. Also, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27 has exceeded the agency standard at level of service E during the AM peak hour. The

removal of the southbound approach previously suggested only goes so far in reducing traffic safety conflicts and improving the intersection level of service. A solution that was proposed nearly 10 years ago was the installation of a two-lane roundabout at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & State Route 27, with a traffic circle at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pines Road. This configuration provides the best solution to resolving the Pines Road safety and level of service concerns.

### **Recommendations**

Based upon the conclusions within this study the proposed project is recommended to complete the frontage improvements of Dishman-Mica Road, Thorpe Road, and Madison Road per the traffic analysis. Included within this report, there was found to be no requirement for left turn lanes on Dishman-Mica Road or Madison Road based upon level of service. However, left turn lanes may be added after further discussions with the affected agencies.

For the planning level study in the year 2040, we recommend that the City of Spokane Valley and WSDOT work towards a solution at the intersections of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue with Pines Road and State Route 27.