

**ZOO DRIVE**  
IMPROVEMENTS

# OPEN HOUSE

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3**

**5 P.M. TO 7 P.M.**

Come learn about the Montana Department of Transportation's plans to improve the Zoo Drive corridor in 2025.





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## Project Overview



The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) plans to enhance roadway safety features and traffic flow on the Zoo Drive corridor, between Shiloh Road and South Frontage Road, through the *Zoo Drive Improvements* project.

### Planned Improvements Include:

- Widening and reconfiguring Zoo Drive to a five-lane roadway with two lanes in each direction and a center turn-lane.
- Widening and reconfiguring a section of Gabel Road between the Holiday gas station and Zoo Drive to a five-lane layout with four southbound lanes. This will include a second left-turn lane from Gabel Road onto Zoo Drive, toward Interstate 90 (I-90).
- Intersection and traffic signal improvements.
- Pavement marking modifications.
- Median modifications.
- Additional connectivity for pedestrians.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) upgrades.
- Widening a segment of the eastbound I-90 ramps.





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## Project Map



 Road Widening and Reconfiguration

 New Sidewalk

 Road Widening

 Intersection Modifications

 ADA Upgrades

 Median Modifications



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## Project Benefits

The primary goal of the *Zoo Drive Improvements* project is to enhance safety on the Zoo Drive corridor by:



**Improving  
Traffic Flow**



**Enhancing  
Safety Features**



**Adding Designated  
Pedestrian Facilities**



**Upgrading  
ADA Facilities**





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## Proposed Intersection Modifications\*



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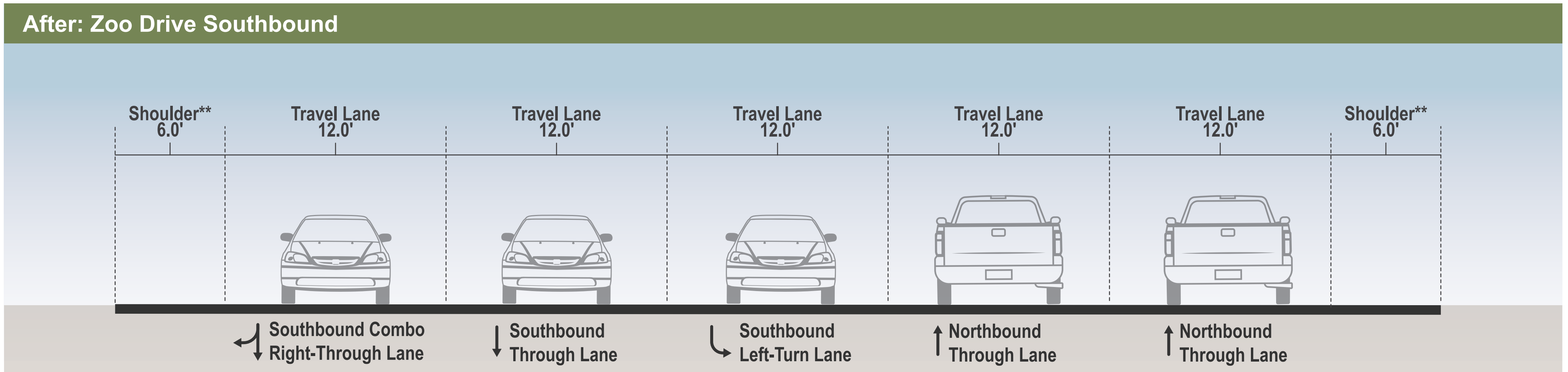
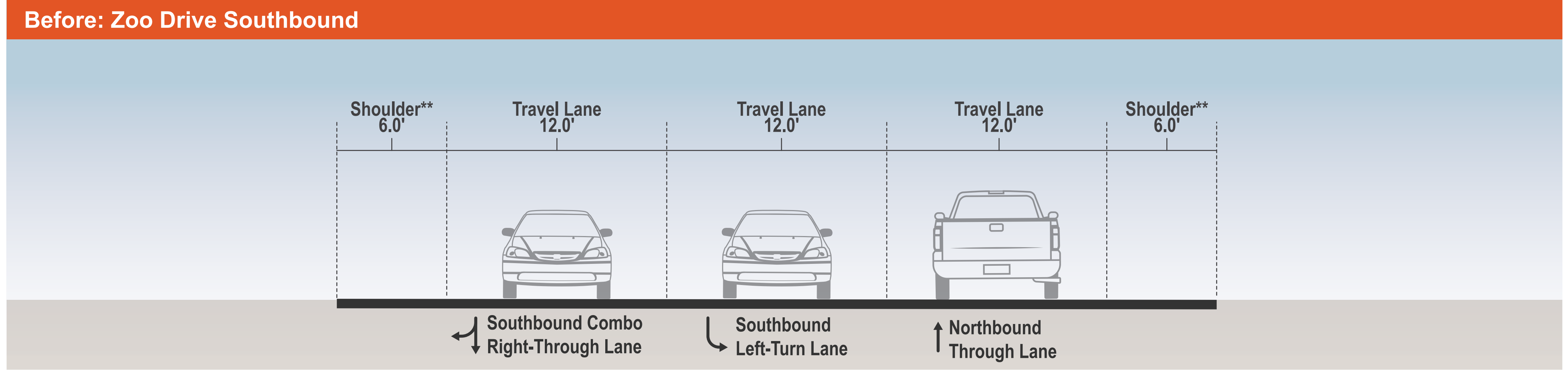


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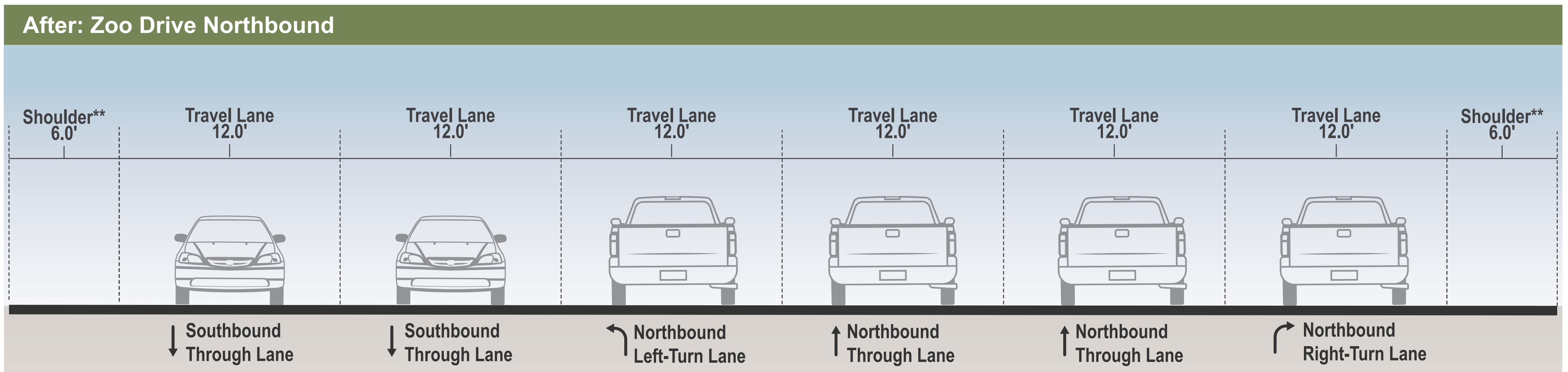
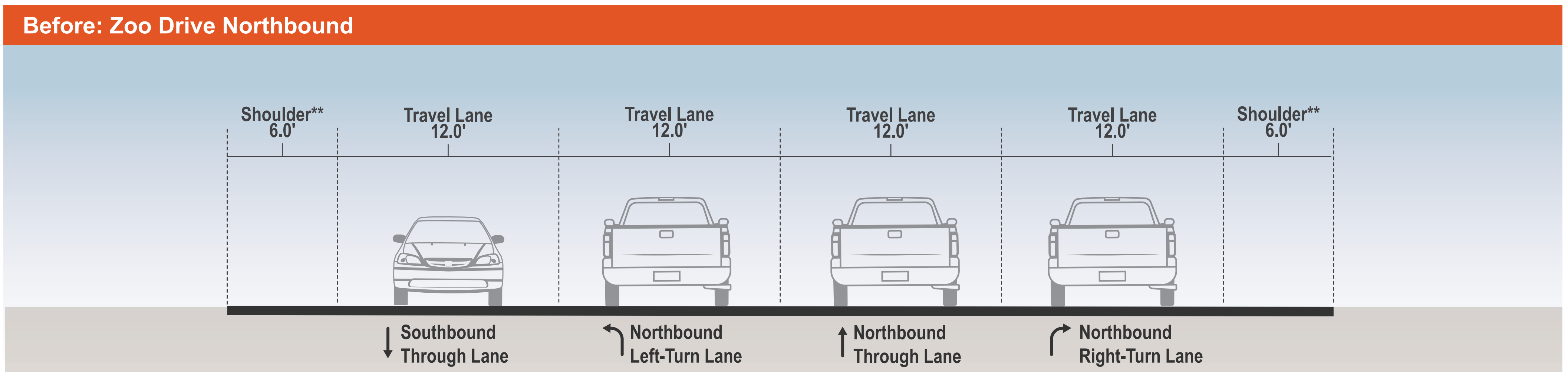
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### Zoo Drive\*

#### Proposed Lane Reconfigurations for Zoo Drive Southbound



#### Proposed Lane Reconfigurations for Zoo Drive Northbound



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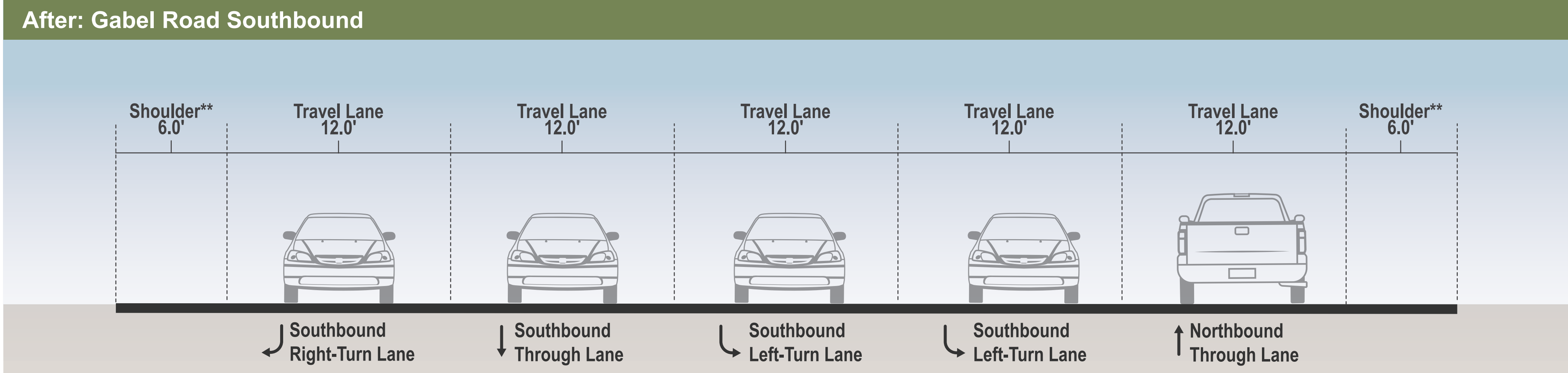
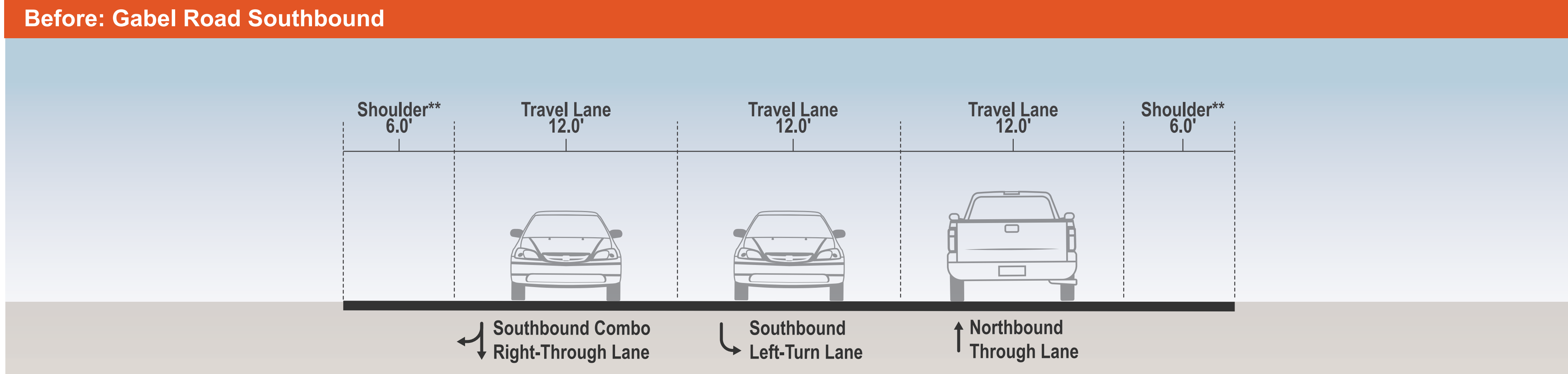


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## Gabel Road\*

### Proposed Lane Reconfigurations for Gabel Road Southbound



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## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### How is this project being funded?

Most of this project is being funded with National Highway System (NHS) funds. A smaller portion of the project is being funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), a federal aid program intended to help reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads.

### Is Costco contributing to the overall cost of this project?

Costco is not contributing to the cost of the *Zoo Drive Improvements* project. However, Costco was required to complete a Traffic Impact Study (TIS) to identify potential impacts to traffic on the Zoo Drive corridor prior to relocating. As a result, Costco was responsible for adding a traffic signal and a new turn lane for eastbound traffic at the intersection of Zoo Drive with Canyon Creek Road. Costco also added a green arrow to the traffic signals at the eastbound, I-90 on-ramp to help ease congestion when drivers leave Costco and get back on the interstate.

### How will this project impact traffic and businesses in the area?

This project may require temporary lane closures, reduced speeds, and other traffic control although access to the Zoo Drive corridor and area businesses will be maintained throughout construction. The project team is carefully considering other potential impacts to businesses and will coordinate with them as needed to minimize those impacts.

### Will this project include improvements on Shiloh Road as well?

Project plans include minor improvements to the intersection of Zoo Drive with Shiloh Road to transition traffic between the newly configured Zoo Drive and the Shiloh Road roundabout.

### Additional questions or comments?

Feel free to ask someone from the project team (wearing a *Zoo Drive Improvements* name badge), fill out a comment card, or see the “What’s Next” display board for information on signing up for project updates or getting in touch.





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## What's Next?

The *Zoo Drive Improvements* project is currently in the planning and design phase. Construction is expected to begin in **2025**.

**You can stay up to date by scanning the QR code for the project website below:**



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