



# Stakeholder Advisory Committee

**January 2011**

# Changes since your last meeting

- Design changes
  - Redesigned bridge to maintain access to businesses and be above 100 year flood elevation
  - Changed the design that extends Pacific Avenue north to include a new four lane bridge
  - Refined the design that extends Pacific Avenue north to improve traffic performance
- Outcome
  - Designs are substantially similar
  - ODOT has proposed only studying the design that extends Pacific Avenue north in the environmental assessment

# Design 1 Replace US 101 Bridge



Reconstruct US 101 in current configuration

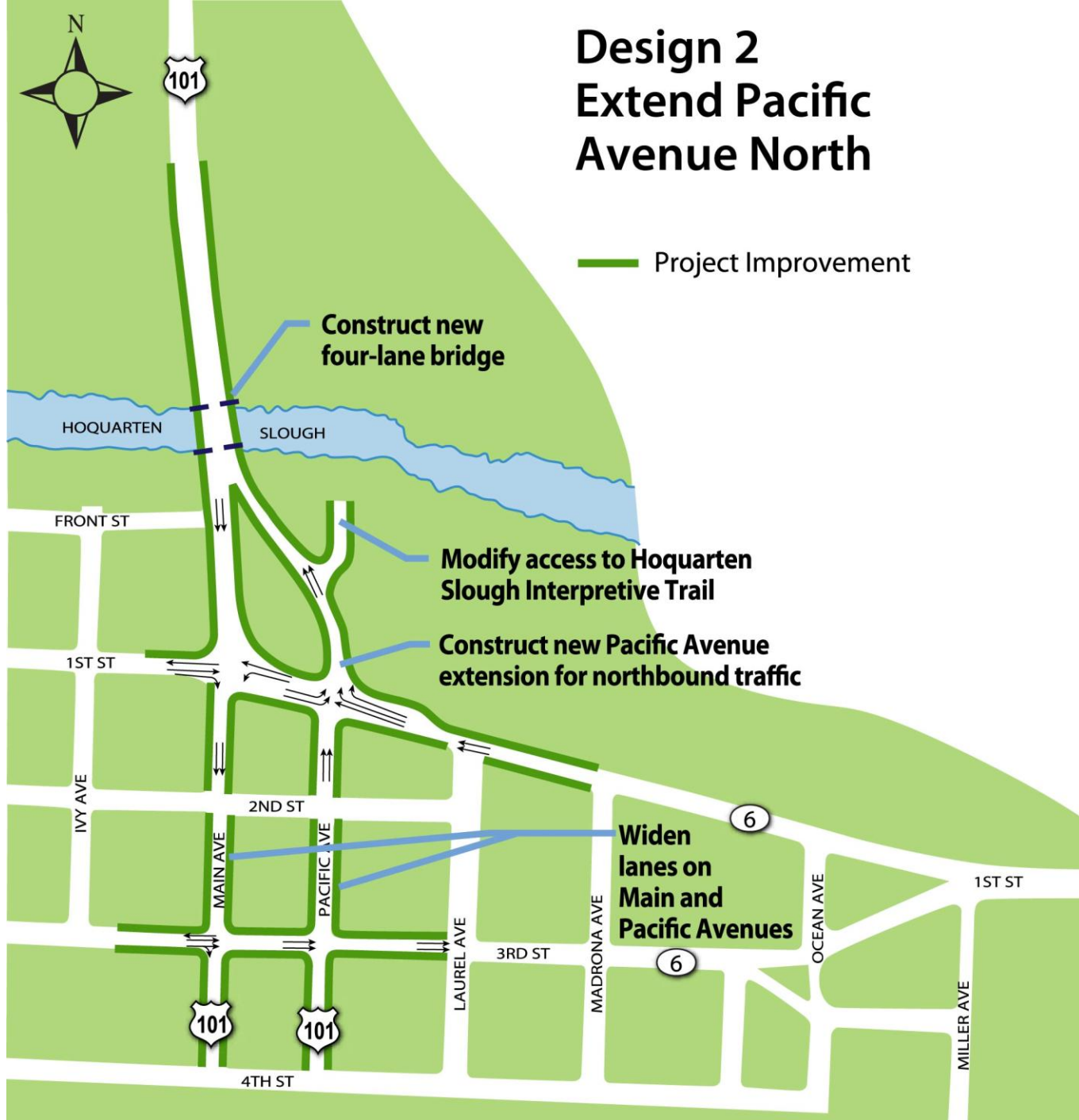
Construct new four-lane bridge

Project Improvement

Widen lanes on Main and Pacific Avenues

# Design 2 Extend Pacific Avenue North

— Project Improvement



# Tradeoffs between designs

	Ends Pacific Avenue at 1 <sup>st</sup> Street (formerly Alternative 1)	Extend Pacific Avenue North (formerly Alternative 2)
Business displacements	Displace the same number of businesses but affect slightly different businesses	
Traffic circulation	Maintains similar traffic circulation pattern for US 101 north traffic	Provides more logical traffic movement for US 101 north traffic
Pedestrian environment	Crosswalks on two sides of the Main/1 <sup>st</sup> intersection	Crosswalks on all four sides of the Main/1 <sup>st</sup> intersection
Traffic performance	Improves traffic flow. Provides better flow at the intersection of 1 <sup>st</sup> and Pacific	Improves traffic flow. Provides better flow at the intersection of 1 <sup>st</sup> and Main
Park affects	Relocates the parking lot near the existing location; does not expand the size of the park	Relocates the parking lot to an area outside of the current park boundary increasing the overall size of the park
Natural environment affects	Have similar affects on the natural environment. Neither causes a net rise in the 100-year flood elevation	
Cost	Have similar costs	

# Environmental Assessment process

- Federally-required process to compare the impacts and benefits of the build alternatives to a no-build alternative on the community and natural environment effects
  - Community topics include: noise, historic and cultural resources, parks, land use, traffic, socioeconomics among others
  - Natural environment topics include wetlands, flooding, habitat, air quality among others
- Documentation will take about a year to complete
- Publication of EA will be followed by a public comment period and a decision about a preferred alternative

# Next steps

- Complete analysis to support EA
  - EA is expected to be complete in late 2011
- Continued public and stakeholder involvement
  - SAC will continue to meet as the impact analysis is complete or as things change
  - Monthly email updates will be sent to our mailing list