



Central Business and Warehouse Districts Proposed Transportation Network Improvements

City of New Orleans

October 27, 2020



Agenda

- Welcome from Neighborhood Engagement – Talva Burnette
- Welcome from Mayor's Office of Transportation – Dan Jatres
 - What is Moving New Orleans?
- Overview of Proposed Work – Jennifer Ruley, Department of Public Works
- Question and Answer Session – Talva Burnette

What Is Moving New Orleans?

As an initiative of Mayor LaToya Cantrell, Moving New Orleans is a multi-modal strategy that is focused on improving the safety, equity, efficiency and connectivity of the City's transportation network.

- Implementation of the Moving New Orleans Transportation Action Plan
- Implementation of the City's Complete Streets Policy
- Coordination of road construction projects with mobility improvements
- Creation of whole mobility networks versus one street at a time

What Is Moving New Orleans Bikes?

Moving New Orleans Bikes (MNOB) is the first of several focused strategies to be implemented under this framework. MNOB is a joint initiative of the Mayor's Office of Transportation and Department of Public Works that is designed to accelerate the construction of a 75-mile connected low-stress bikeway network.

Moving New Orleans Bikes

Bicycle Boulevards

Low-speed, low-traffic volume streets designed to prioritize local traffic and bicycle travel



Protected Bike Lanes

Moderate- to high-speed and traffic volume streets with physically separated bike lanes



Pedestrian Safety Improvements

High-visibility crosswalks and sidewalks that complement bike facilities



Protected Bike Lanes Demo



What occurred?

- Conducted in 2018
- Effort was largely volunteer-led
- Demo launched with Walk Bike Places Conference (Project for Public Spaces)
- Duration: 3 months

What we learned?

- General support across users (bicyclists, drivers, businesses, etc)
- Engage the community early and often
- More design is needed for permanent improvements
- Impacts of ramp meters and other factors on traffic congestion needs more analysis



Moving New Orleans Bikes

- **April 2019** – Eight community meetings in all City Council Districts
- **August 2019** – Three citywide community meetings
- **December 2019** – Began construction on the Algiers network
- **August 2020** – Began construction on the East Bank network

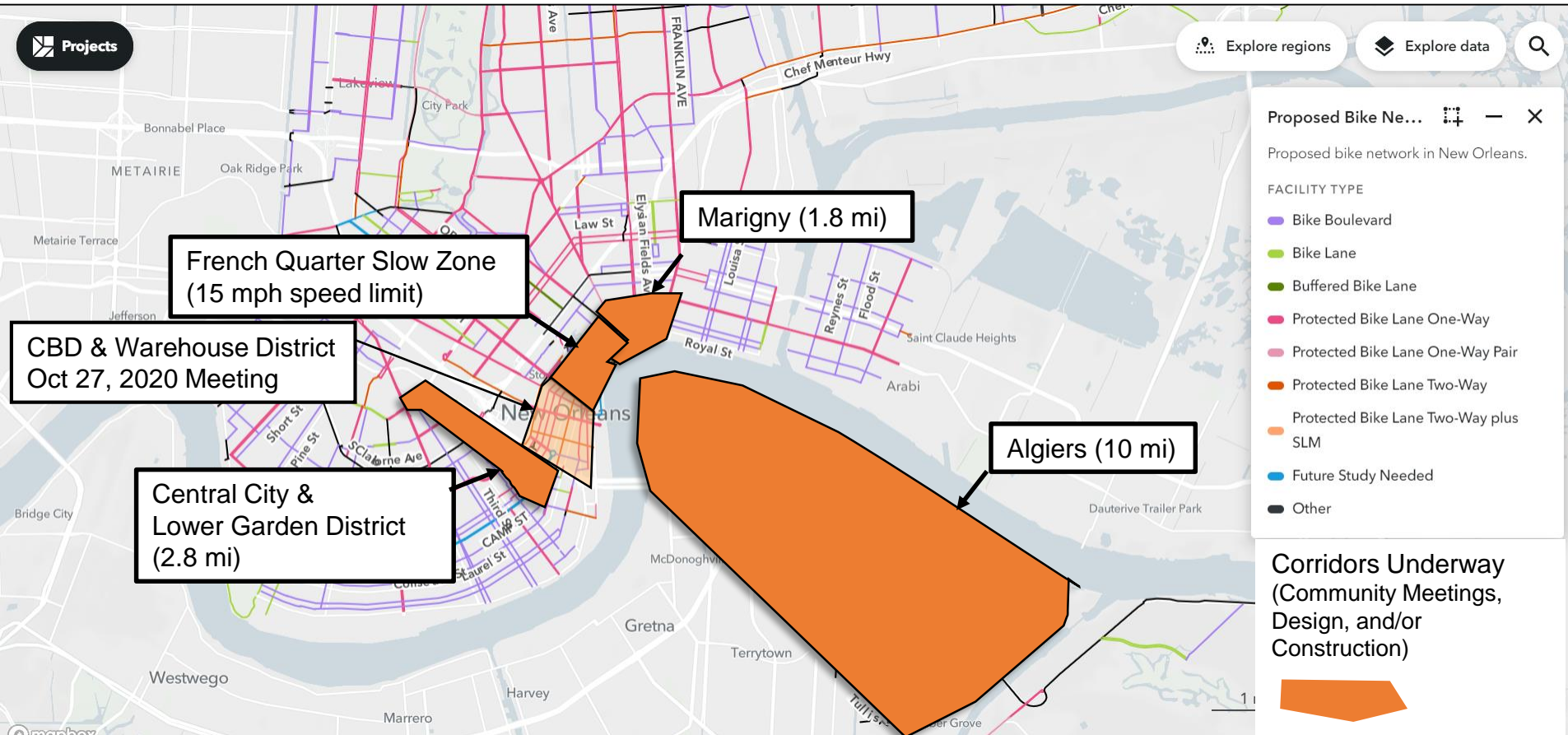
For more on those meetings, go to www.nola.gov/transportation



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Network Improvements in Progress



Recent Polling of New Orleanians

72% of voters say they would be willing to shop and dine downtown if there were more safe transportation options available for getting downtown

87% of voters say the City must provide safe alternatives for essential workers to get to their jobs and keep the economy strong

87% of voters are willing to build dedicated bike lanes to help downtown hospitality workers get around more reliably

Source: ALG Research (2020)



Guiding Questions for Feedback

Is the design adequately addressing safety, equity, efficiency, and connectivity for all users?

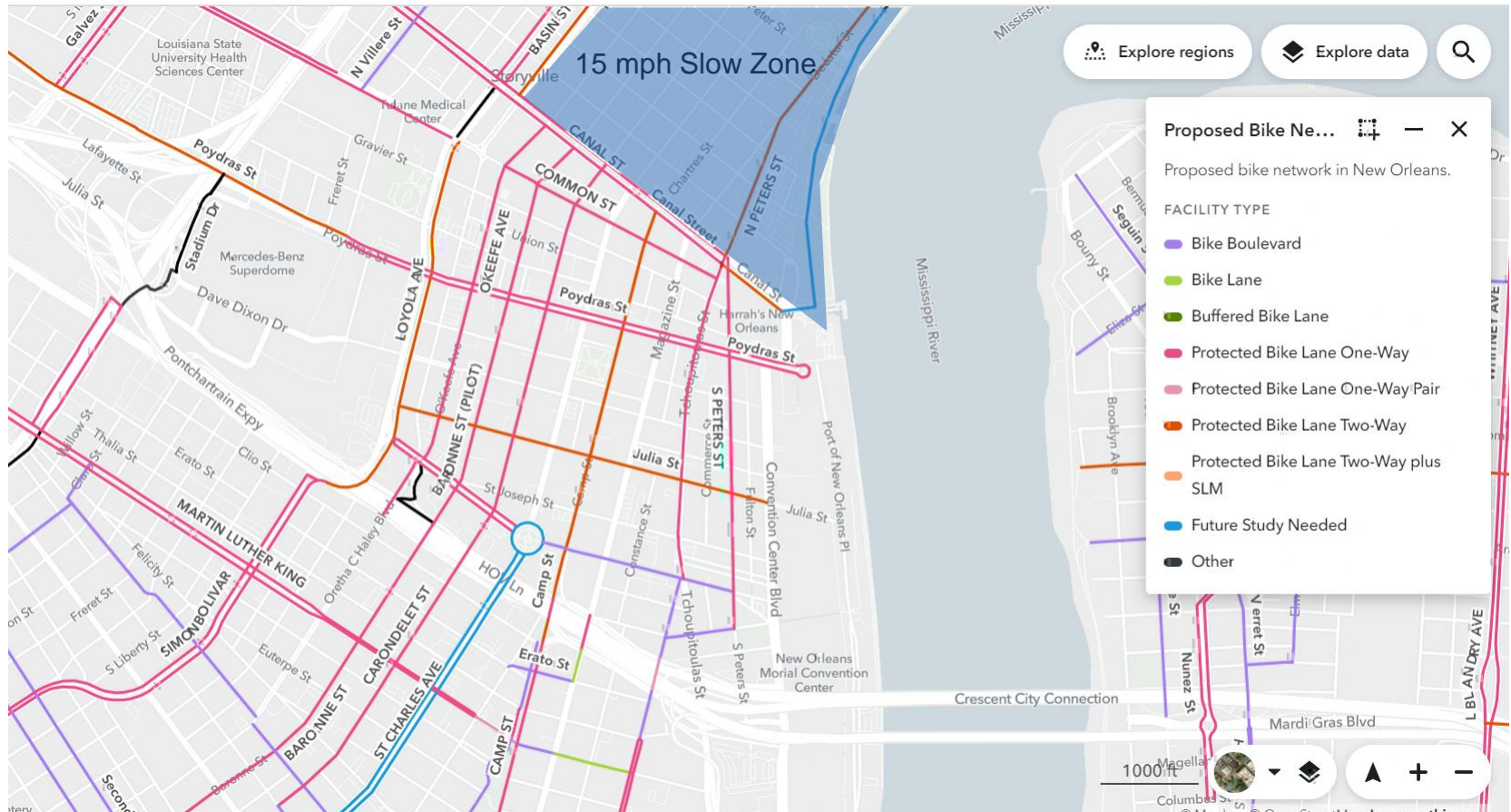


Are there specific issues at the block level we need to know?



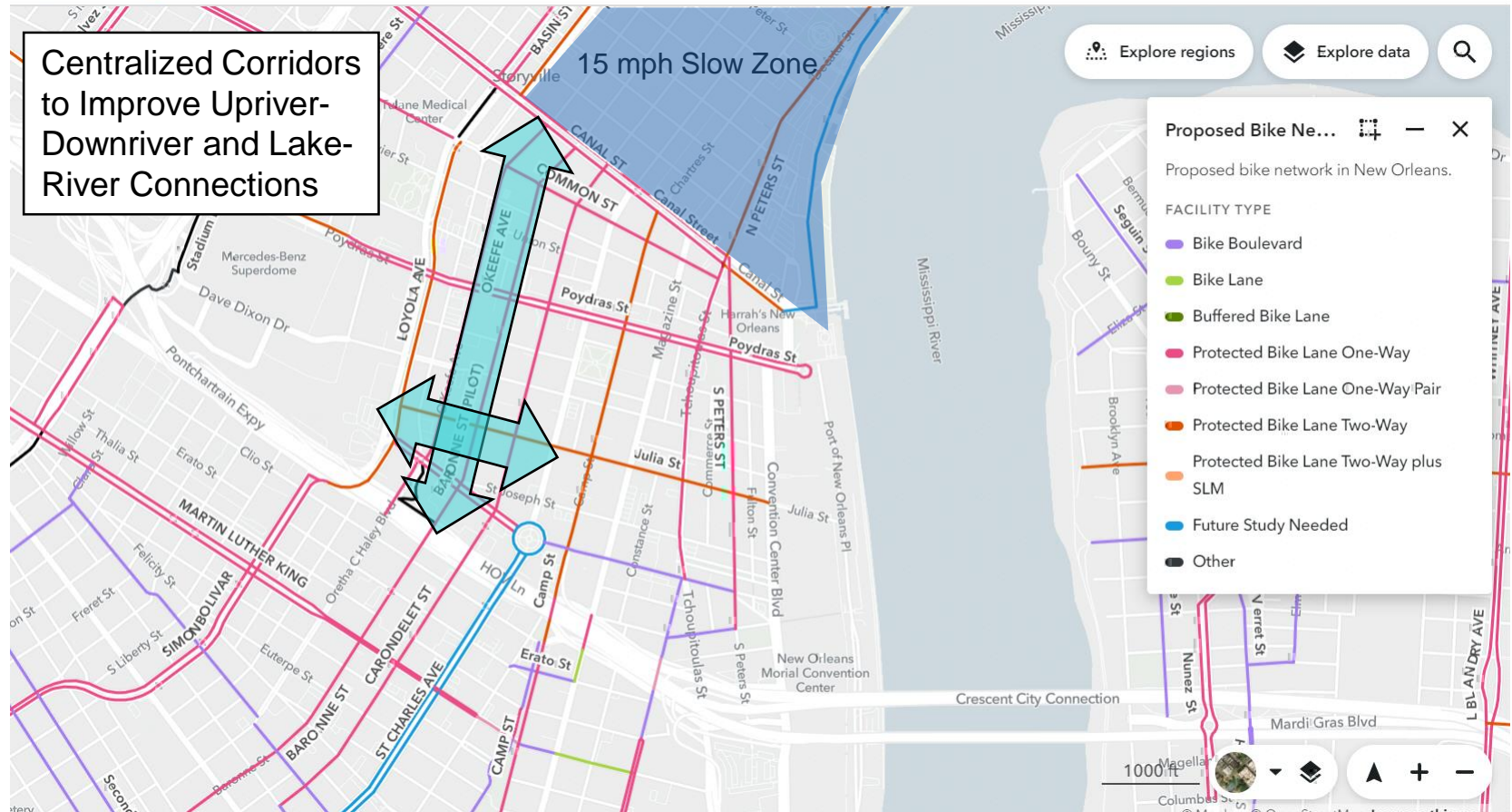
Are there design elements (e.g. crosswalks, trees, etc.) that should also be considered?

CBD & Warehouse District – Proposed Bikeways



Note: Map from Moving New Orleans Bikeway Blueprint (2020)

CBD & Warehouse District – Proposed Initial Focus Corridors (1.8 mi)



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Safety Snapshot



Crashes (2014-2018)

Street	Total Crashes	Bicycle Crashes	Walk Crashes
Baronne	425	15	20
O'Keefe	421	12	12
Howard	317	6	6
Julia	242	4	4

Note: Does not include Calliope Street intersections

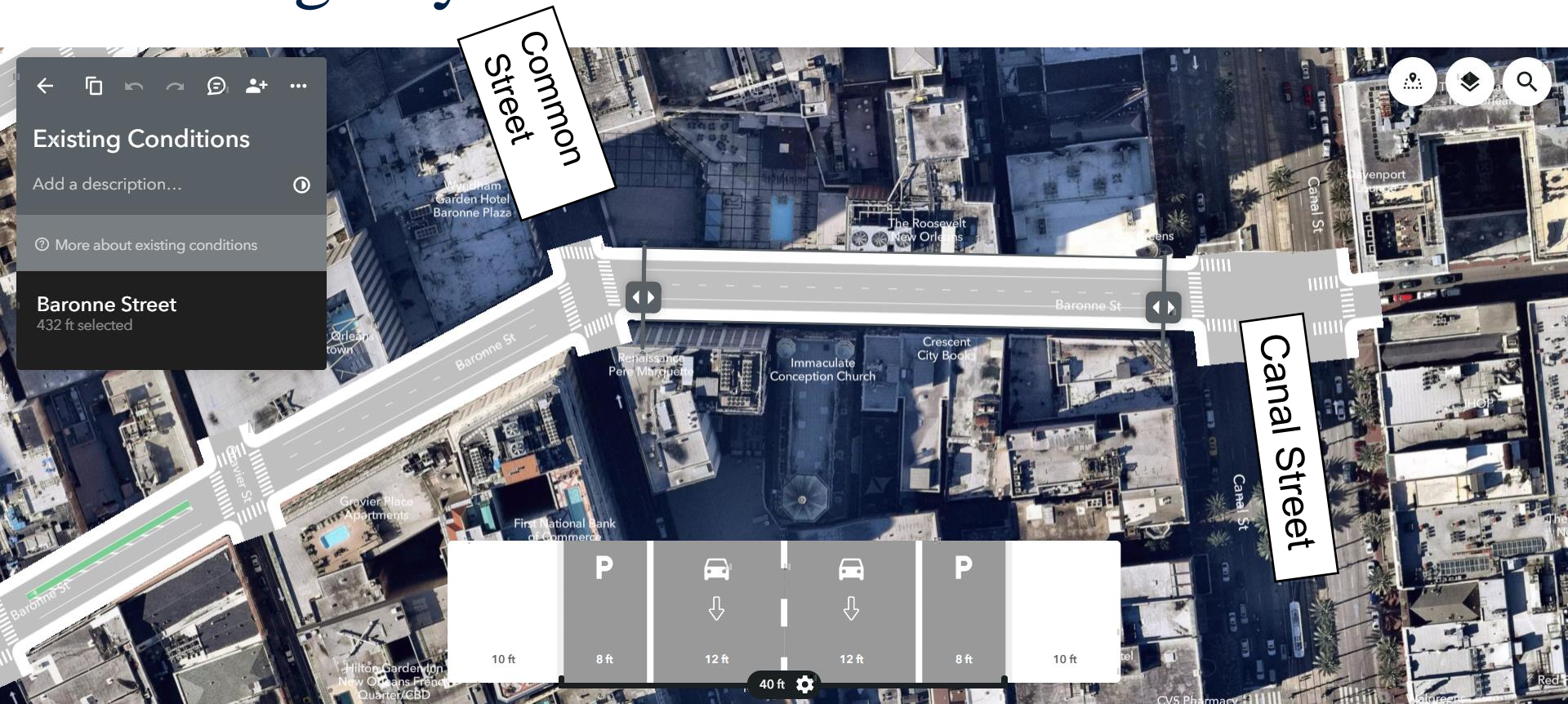
Proposed Scope



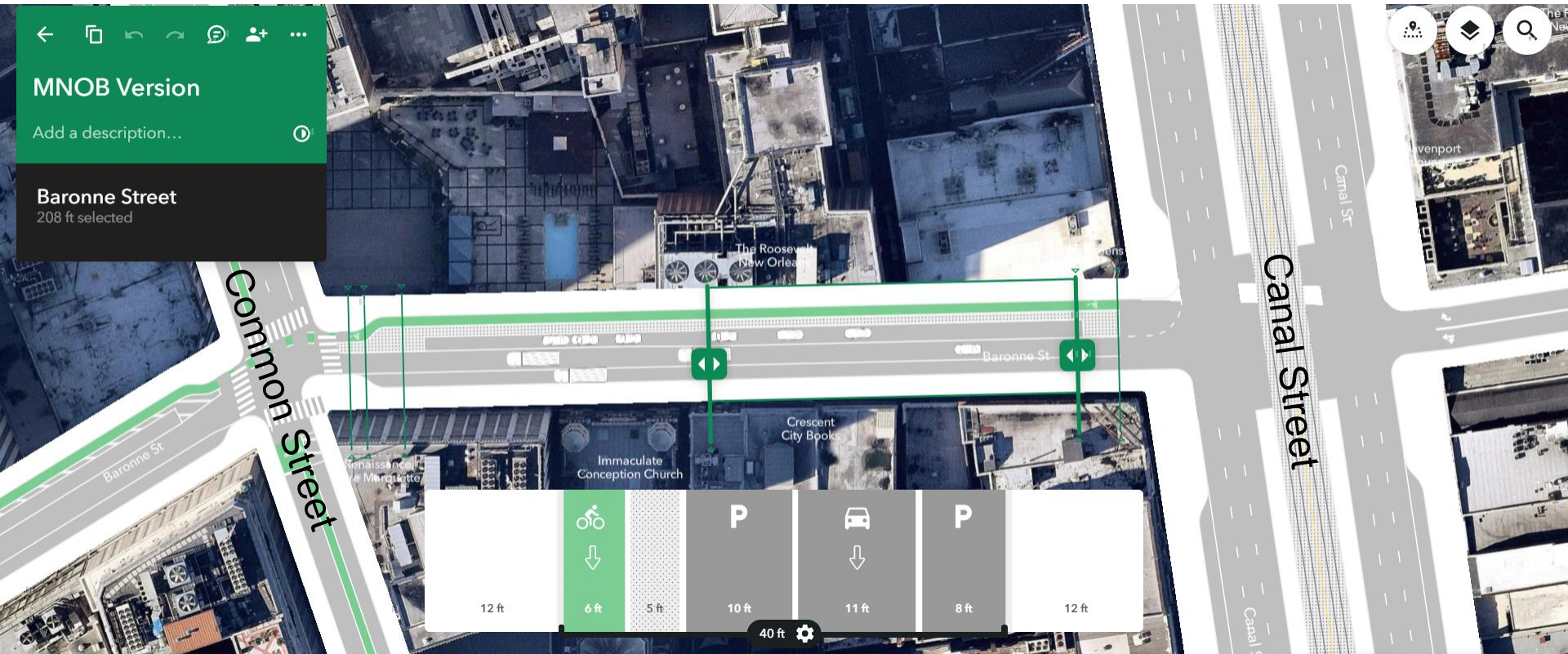
Includes

- Striping
- Signage
- Flex Posts
- Curbs in some locations
- Bus Islands
- Intersection Geometry Improvements
- Signalization Improvements
- Minor road repairs
- Strategic stormwater upgrades

Baronne Street (Canal to Common) Existing Layout



Baronne Street (Canal to Common) Proposed Layout



Striped Buffer w/ Flex Posts

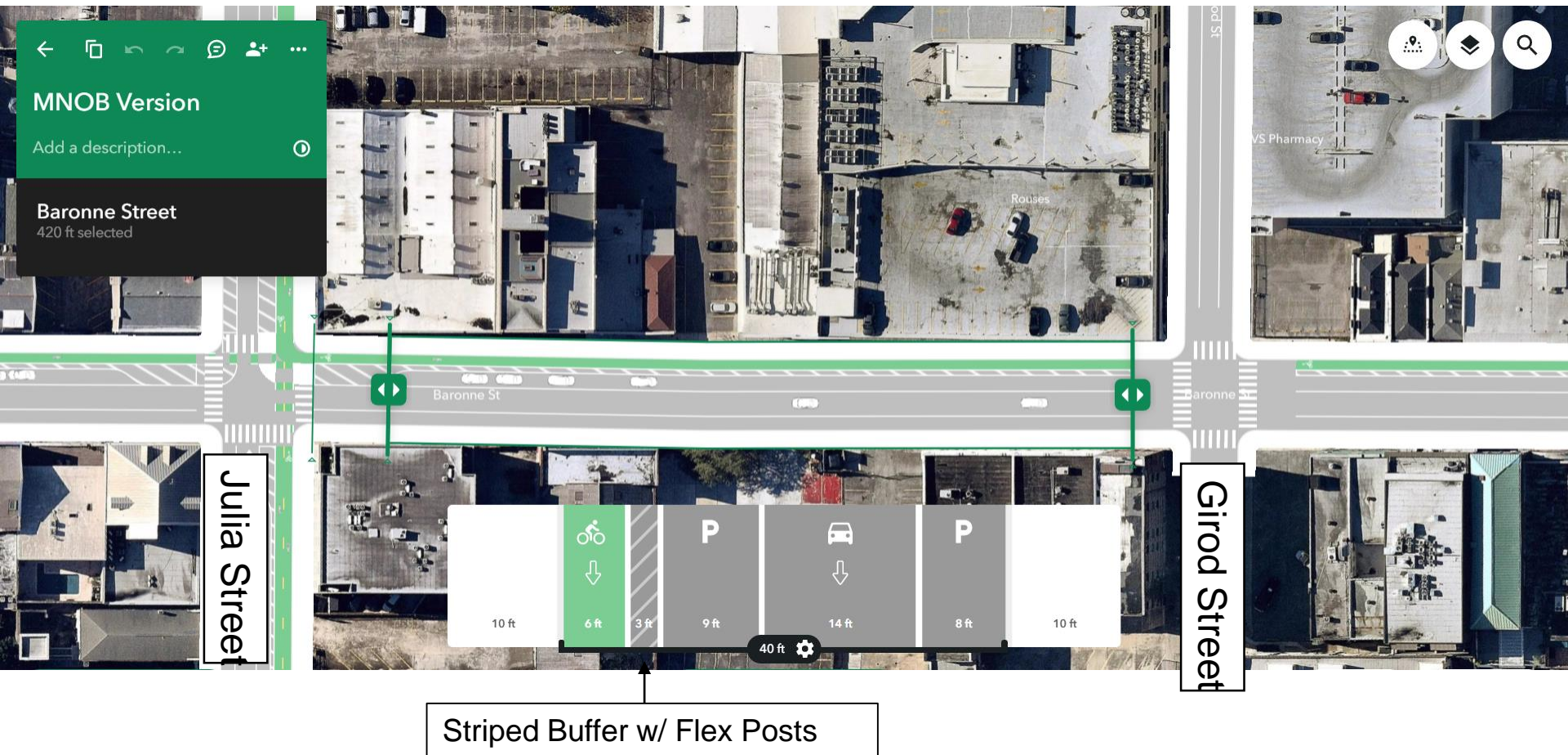
Baronne Street (Girod to Julia)

Existing Layout



Baronne Street (Girod to Julia)

Proposed Layout



O'Keefe Avenue (Julia to Girod)

Existing Layout



O'Keefe Avenue (Julia to Girod)

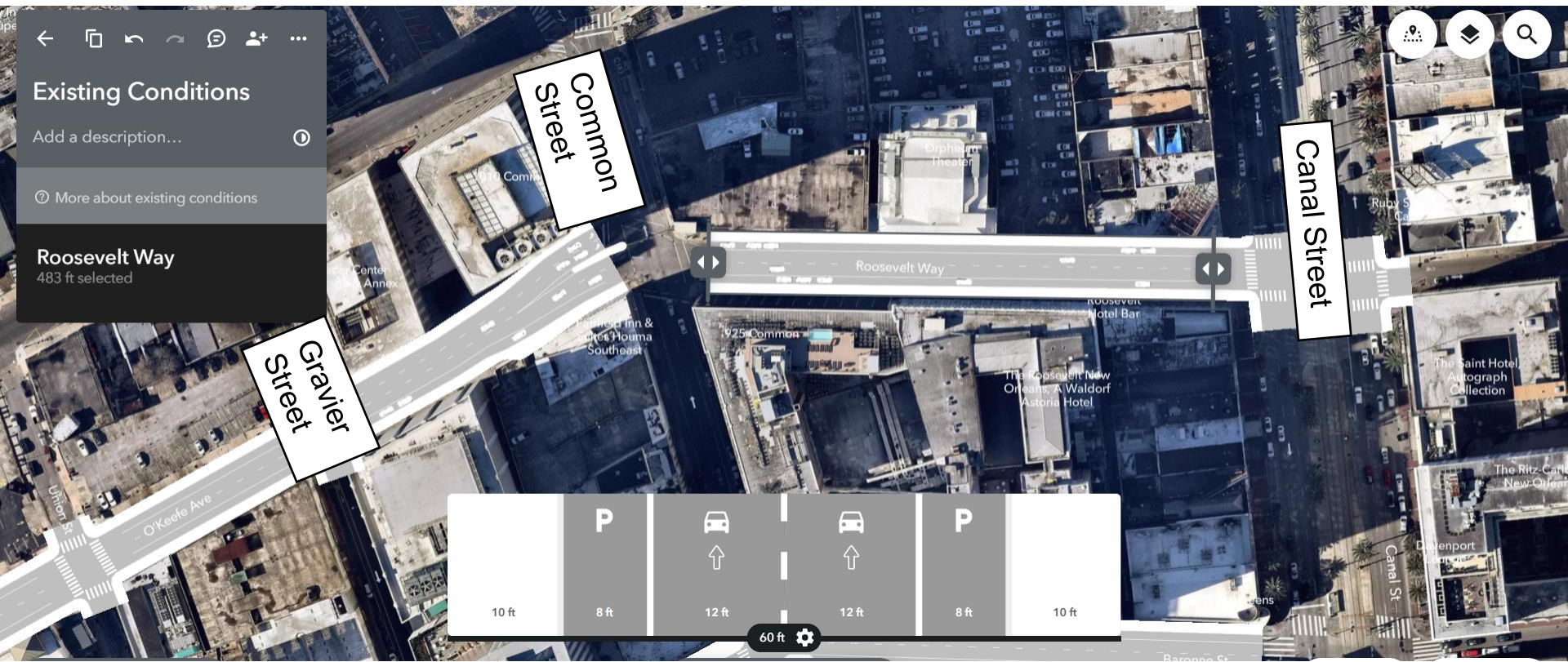
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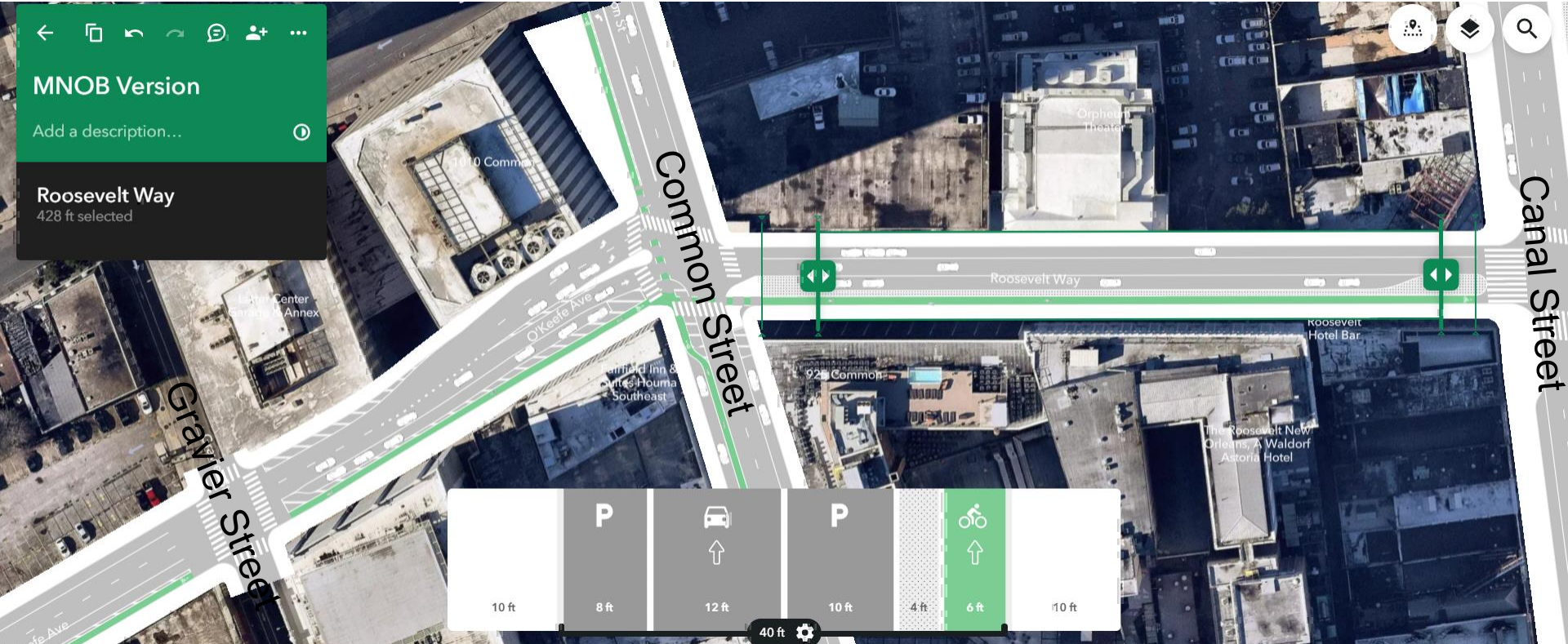
O'Keefe Avenue/Roosevelt Way (Gravier to Canal)

Existing Layout



O'Keefe Avenue/Roosevelt Way (Gravier to Canal)

Proposed Layout



Striped Buffer w/ Flex Posts

Julia Street (Baronne to O'Keefe)

Existing Layout



Julia Street (Baronne to O'Keefe)

Proposed Layout



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Howard Ave (Baronne to Carondelet)

Existing Layout



Howard Ave (Carondelet to Loyola)

Proposed Layout



Next Steps

Refine
Design
Based on
Feedback

Pre-
construction
Community
Meeting

Construction
(Winter
2020 –
Summer
2021

Reference
Roadwork
NOLA to
Track
Progress

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Questions

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