

Welcome to the I-15/US-20 Connector Open House!



The goal of the meeting is to share concept-level alternatives and gather your feedback on those alternatives.

Please view the display boards, talk with the project team, and fill out a comment form.

You can also fill out a comment on the website using this QR code or by going to <http://i15us20connector.com> and choosing the Get Involved tab.





Background

Constructed in the 1950s and 60s, the six interchanges are in need of updating to improve safety, mobility, and economic opportunity.

ITD, the City of Idaho Falls, and Bonneville County are working together on a plan for improving these existing facilities and are seeking your input to develop community-based solutions.

The safety and mobility study includes six interchanges:

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I-15, Exit 118,
Broadway St.,
Historic Downtown



2

I-15, Exit 119,
US-20,
Grandview Dr.



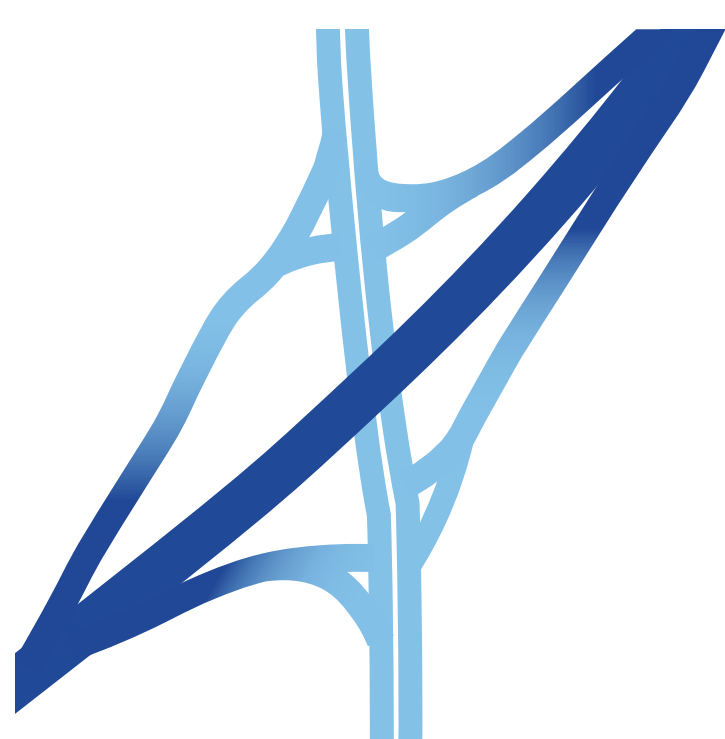
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US-20, Exit 307,
Lindsay Blvd.



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US-20, Exit 308
Riverside Dr.
/City Center



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US-20, Exit 309
Science Center Dr.



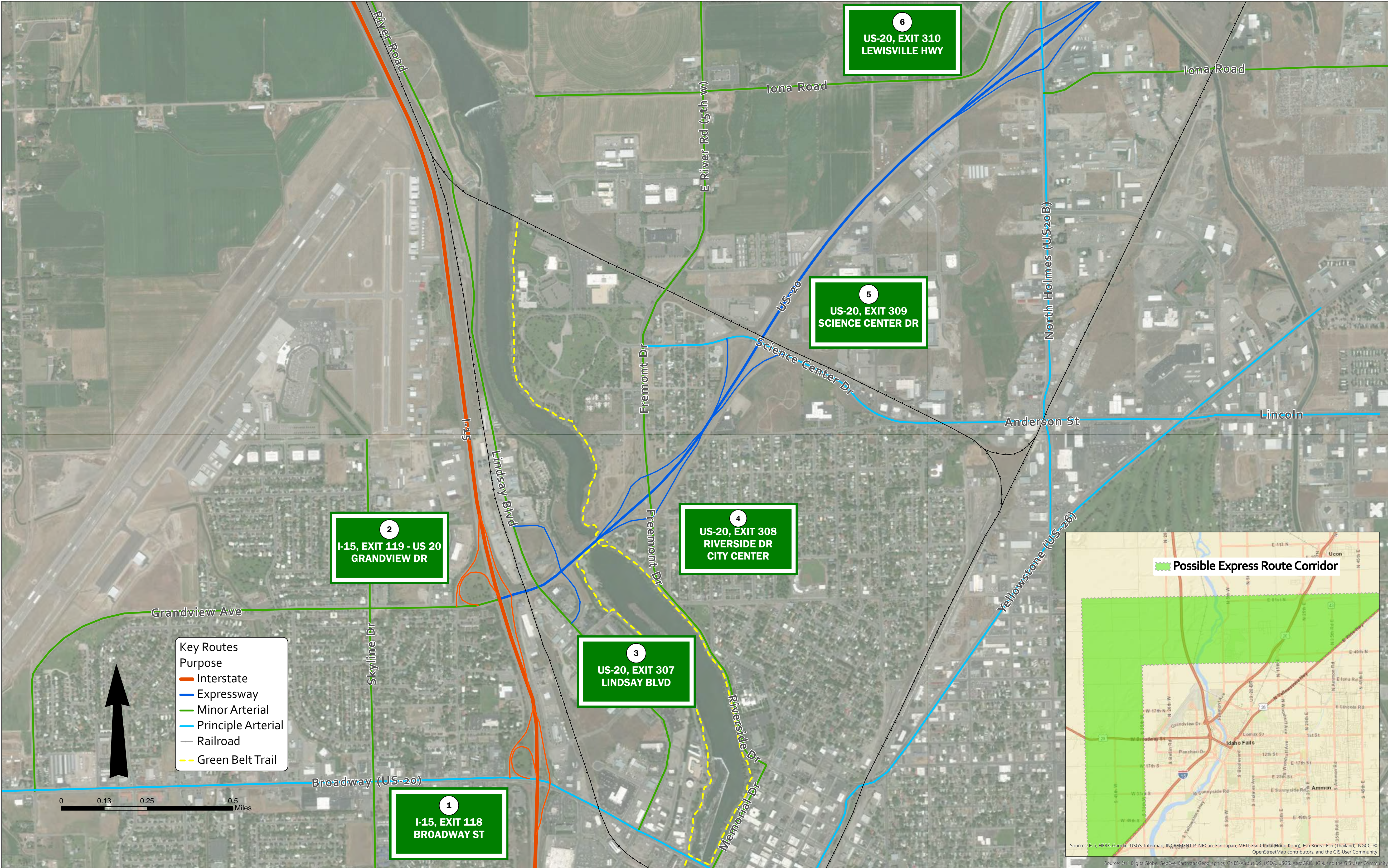
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US-20, Exit 309
Science Center Dr.





Area Map





PEL Study

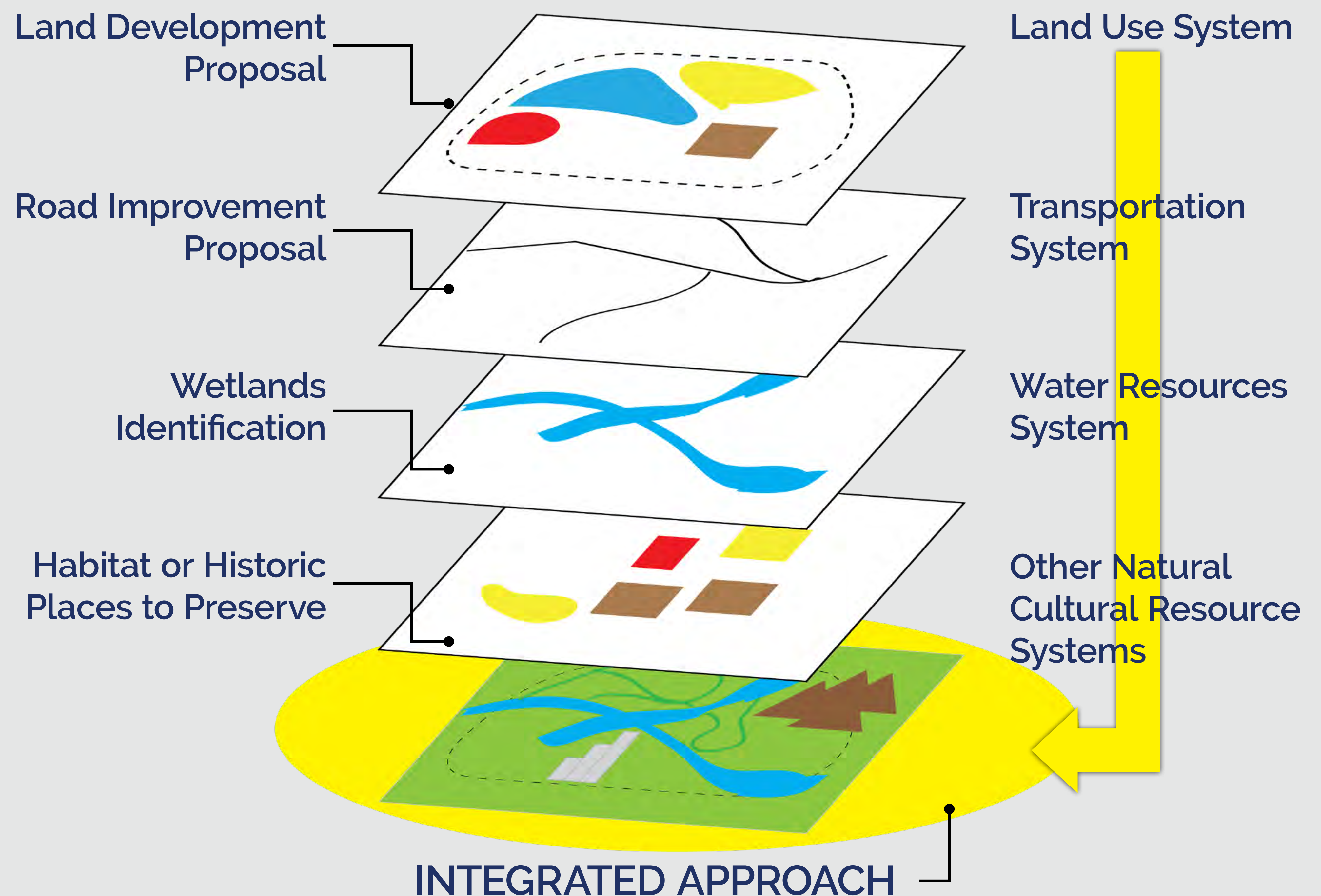
Planning and Environmental Linkage Study

What is a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study?

Transportation planning study outlined by FHWA that identifies:

- Transportation Issues and Priorities
- Environmental Resources and Concerns
- Stakeholder and Public Concerns

The PEL Study follows Federal guidelines in order to confirm that PEL analyses can be used in future NEPA clearance documentation.



Opportunities to support multiple community goals and improve quality of life.



Purpose & Need

Purpose

The purpose of the PEL study is to identify and analyze improvements to address safety, congestion, mobility and travel time reliability for efficient movement of people, goods and services on I-15 and US-20 in or near Bonneville County and Idaho Falls.

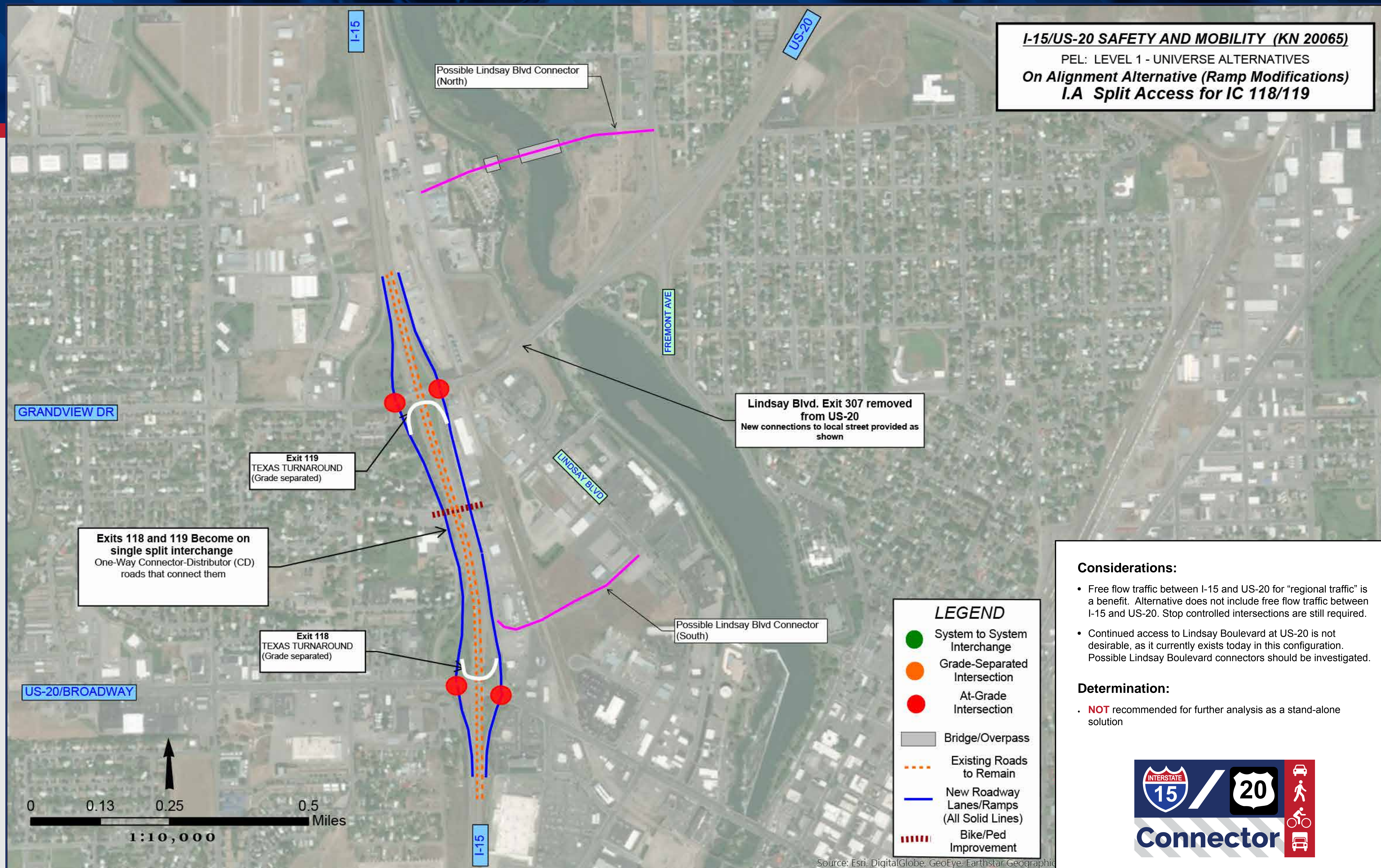
Project Needs

The PEL will study multi-modal connections and capacity improvements to I-15 and US-20 as well as potential new roadway linkages in order to:

1. Address unsafe travel conditions on I-15 and US-20
2. Reduce congestion
3. Provide pedestrian and bicycle mobility within the I-15 and US-20 corridors
4. Address future travel demand forecasts







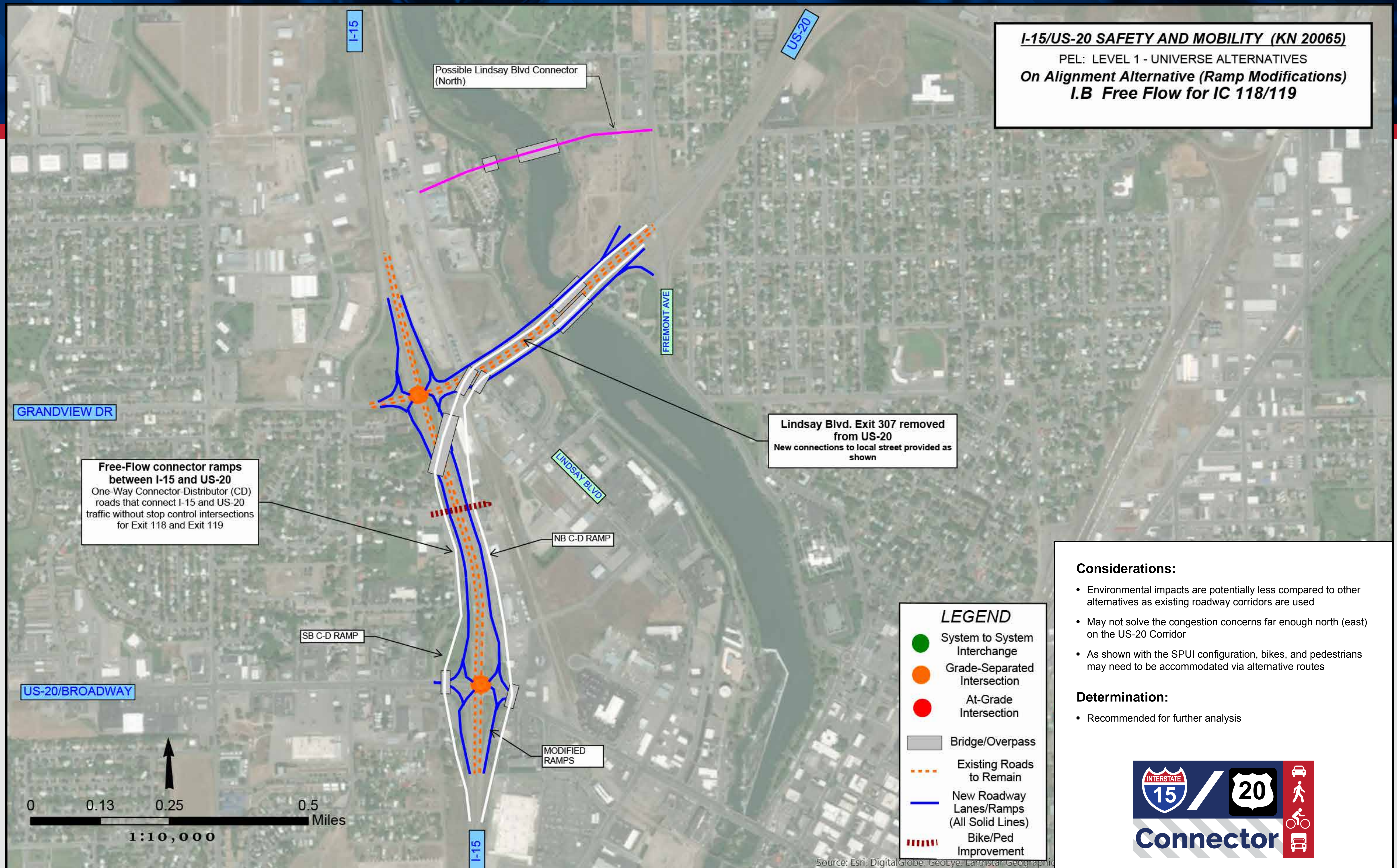
Considerations:

- Free flow traffic between I-15 and US-20 for "regional traffic" is a benefit. Alternative does not include free flow traffic between I-15 and US-20. Stop controlled intersections are still required.
- Continued access to Lindsay Boulevard at US-20 is not desirable, as it currently exists today in this configuration. Possible Lindsay Boulevard connectors should be investigated.

Determination:

- NOT** recommended for further analysis as a stand-alone solution





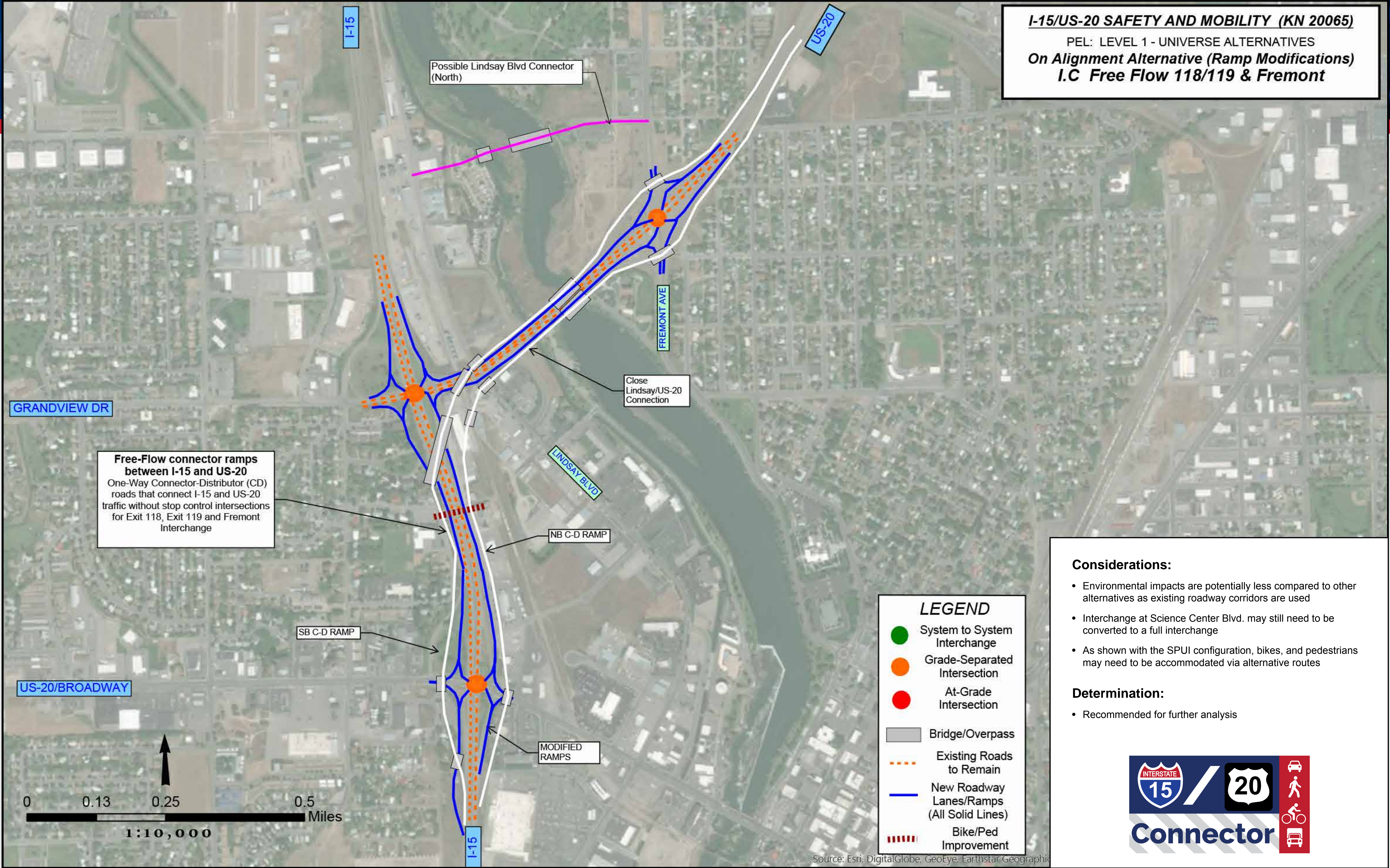
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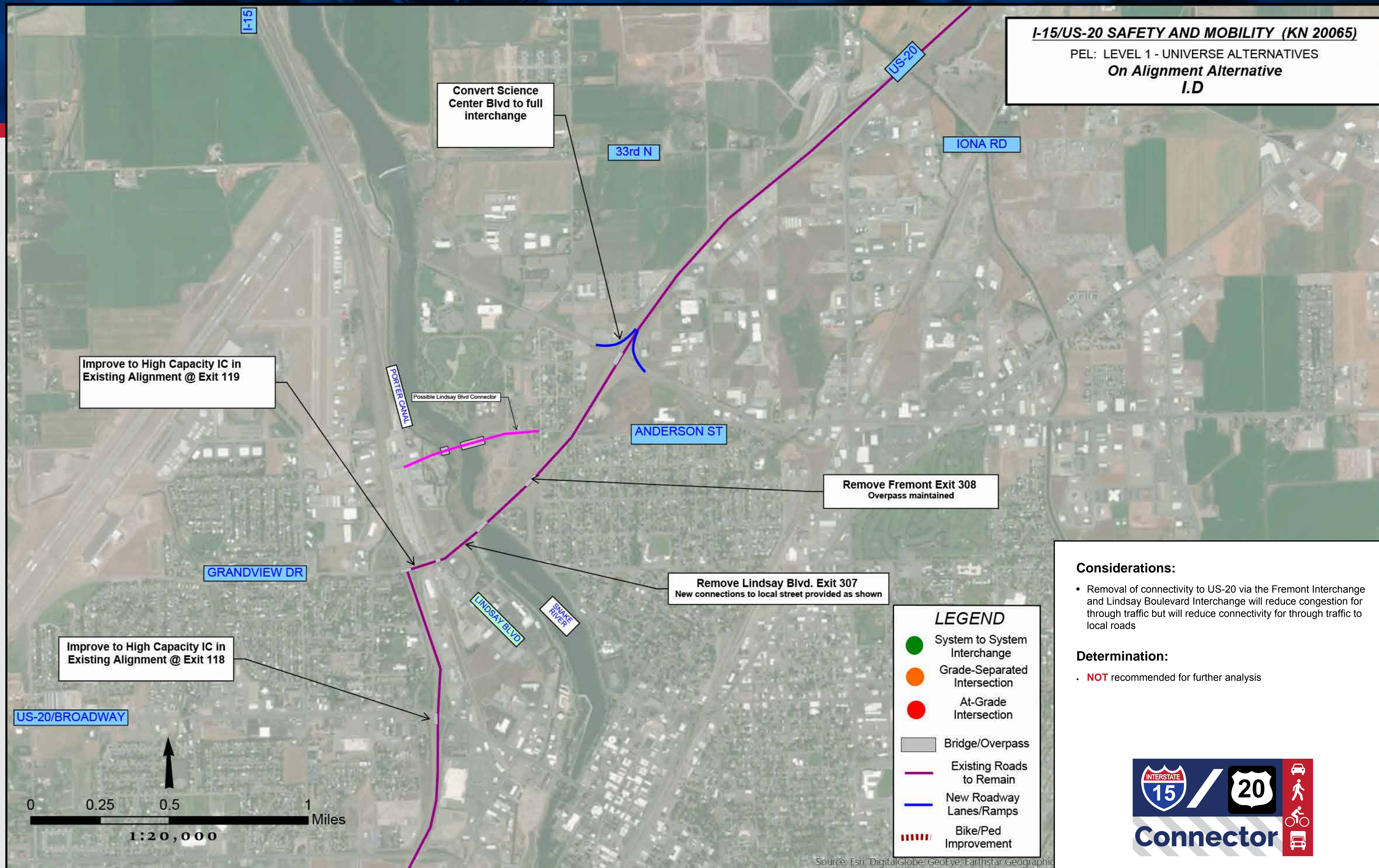
- Environmental impacts are potentially less compared to other alternatives as existing roadway corridors are used
- May not solve the congestion concerns far enough north (east) on the US-20 Corridor
- As shown with the SPUI configuration, bikes, and pedestrians may need to be accommodated via alternative routes

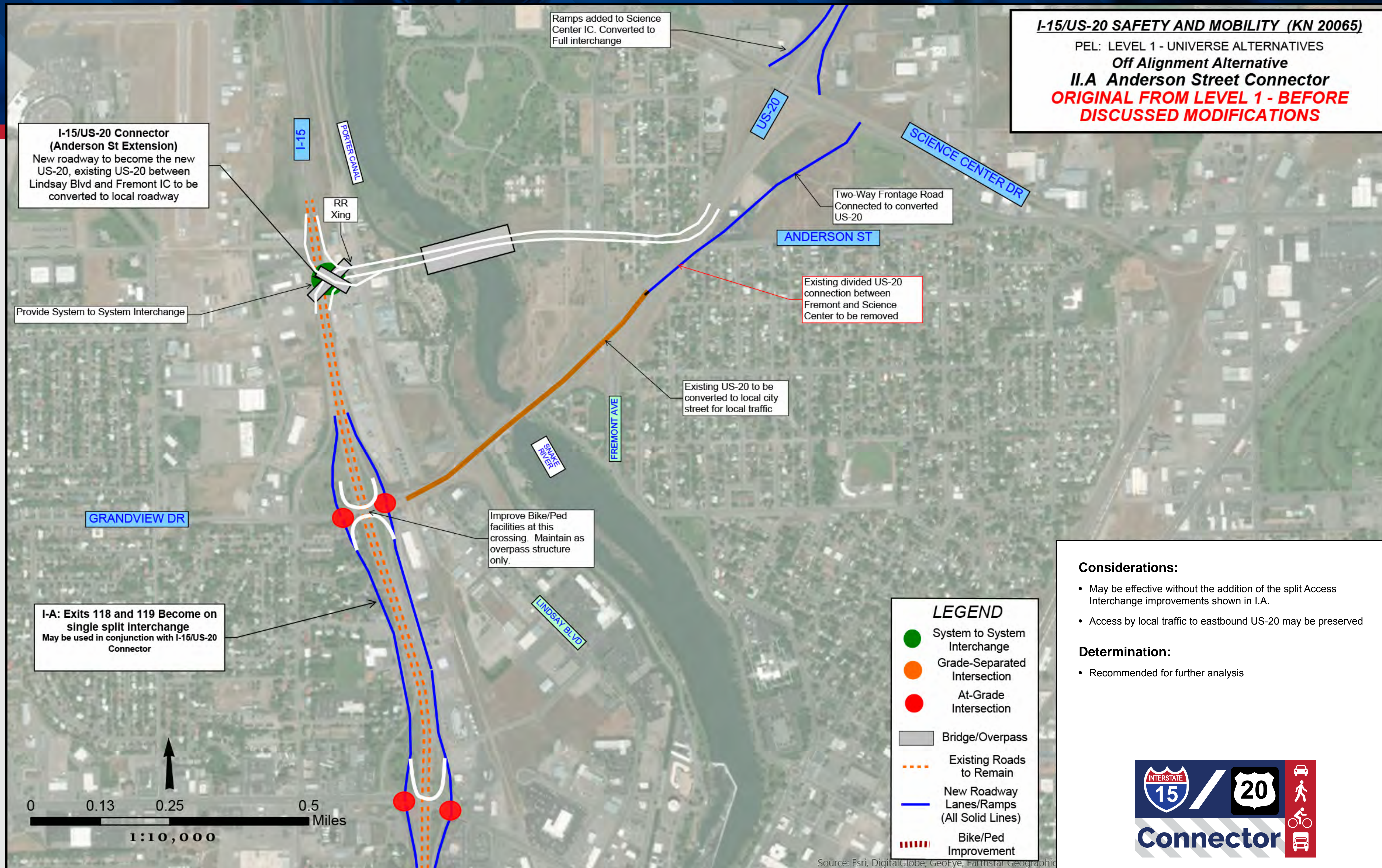
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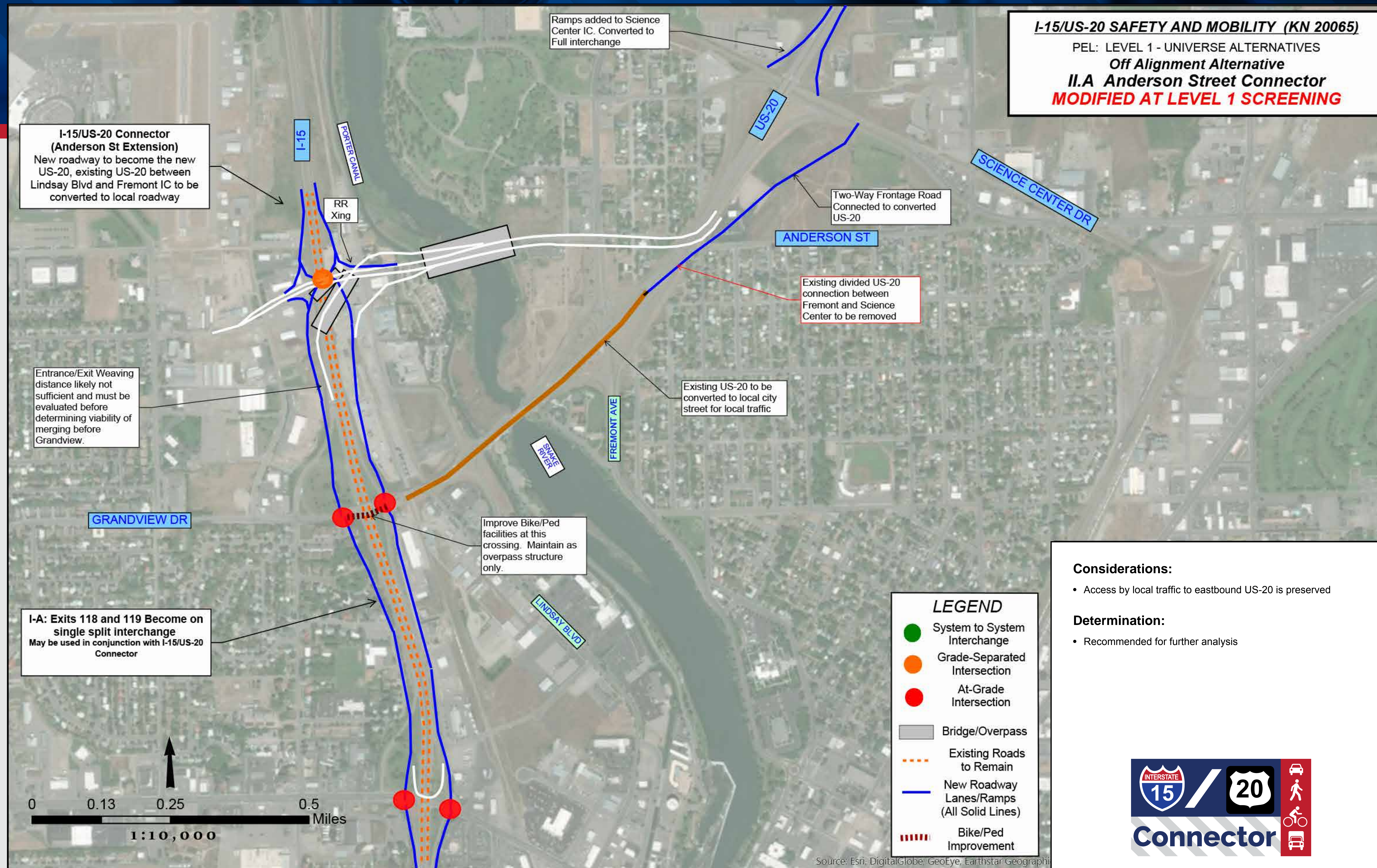
- Recommended for further analysis

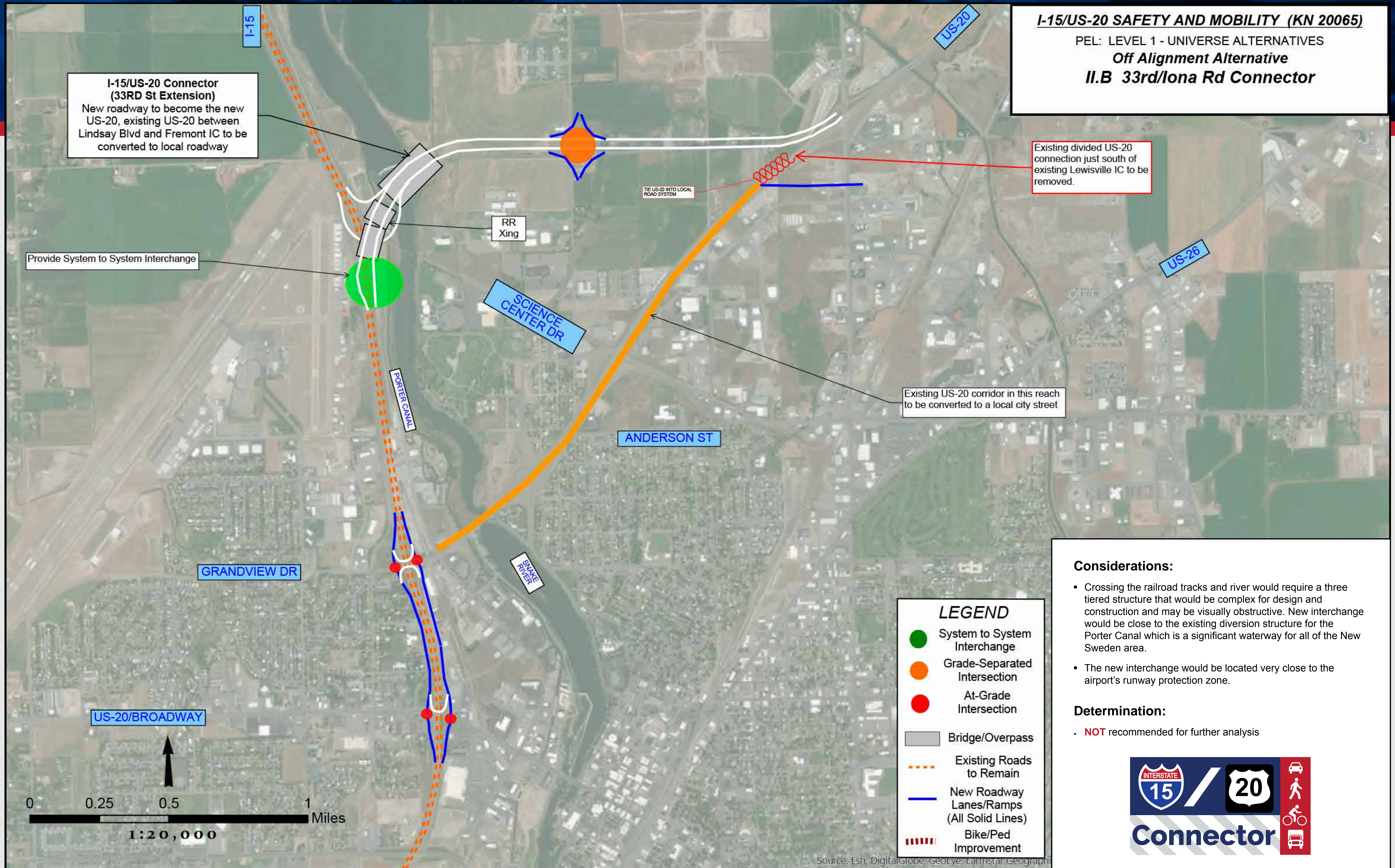


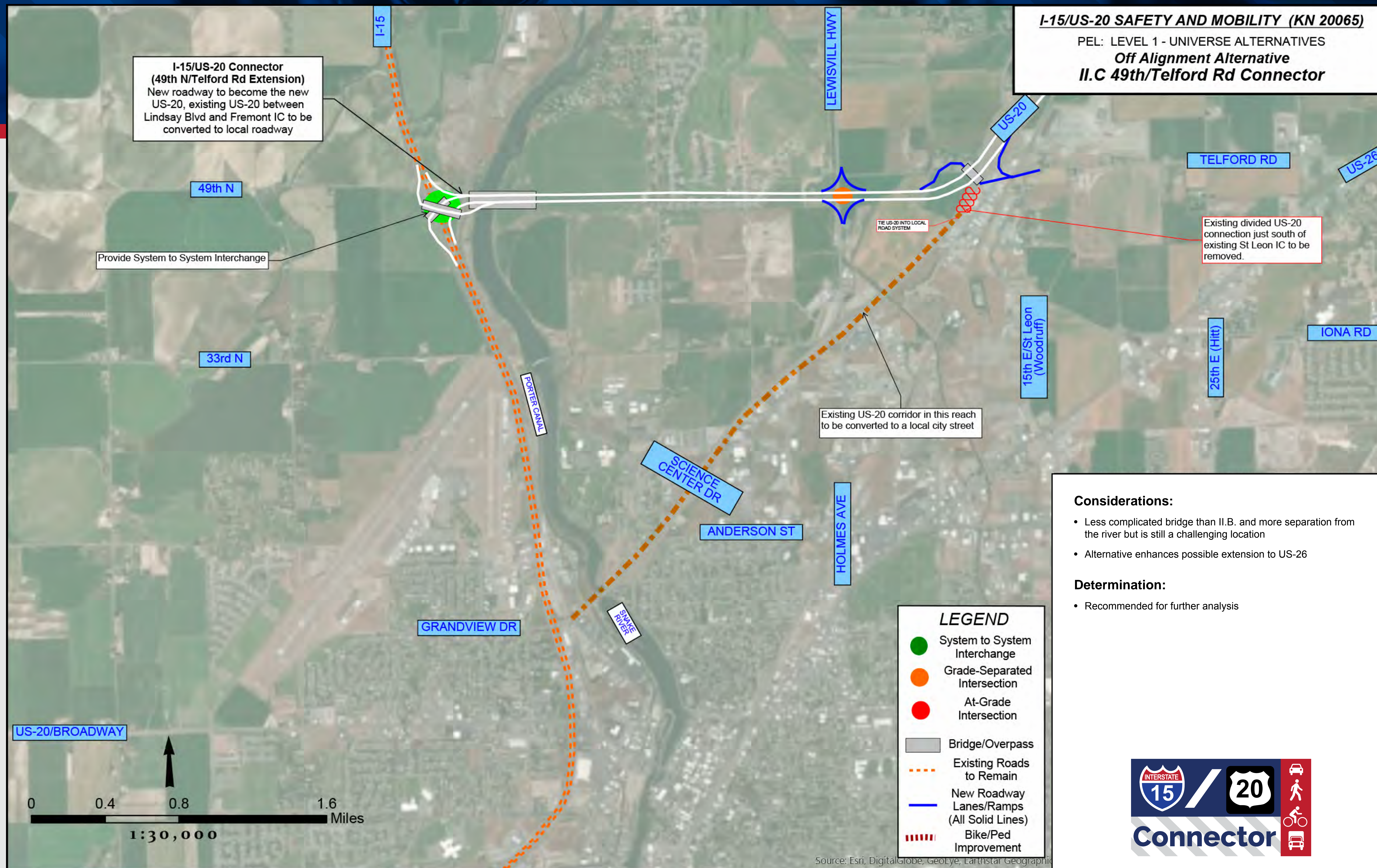


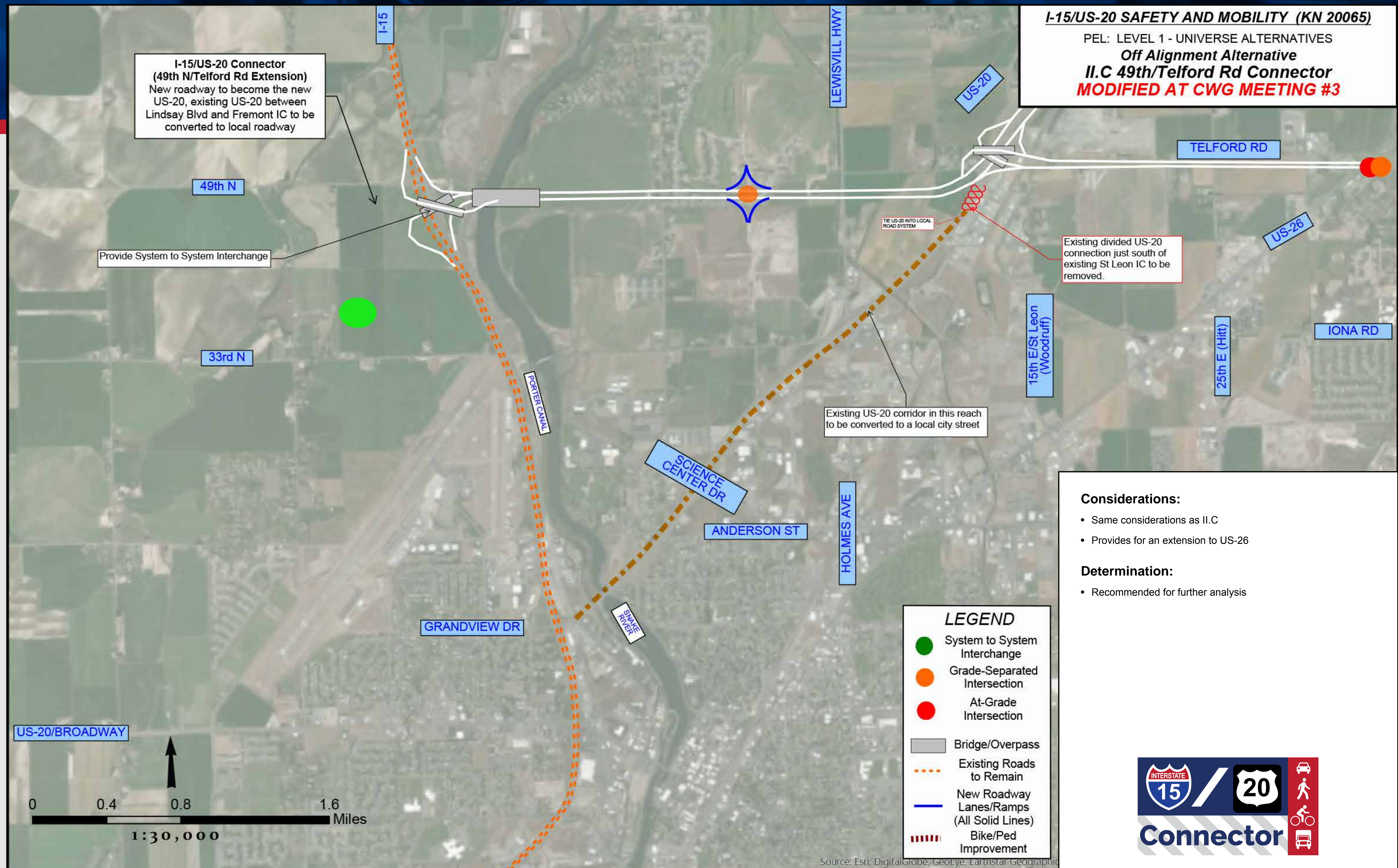


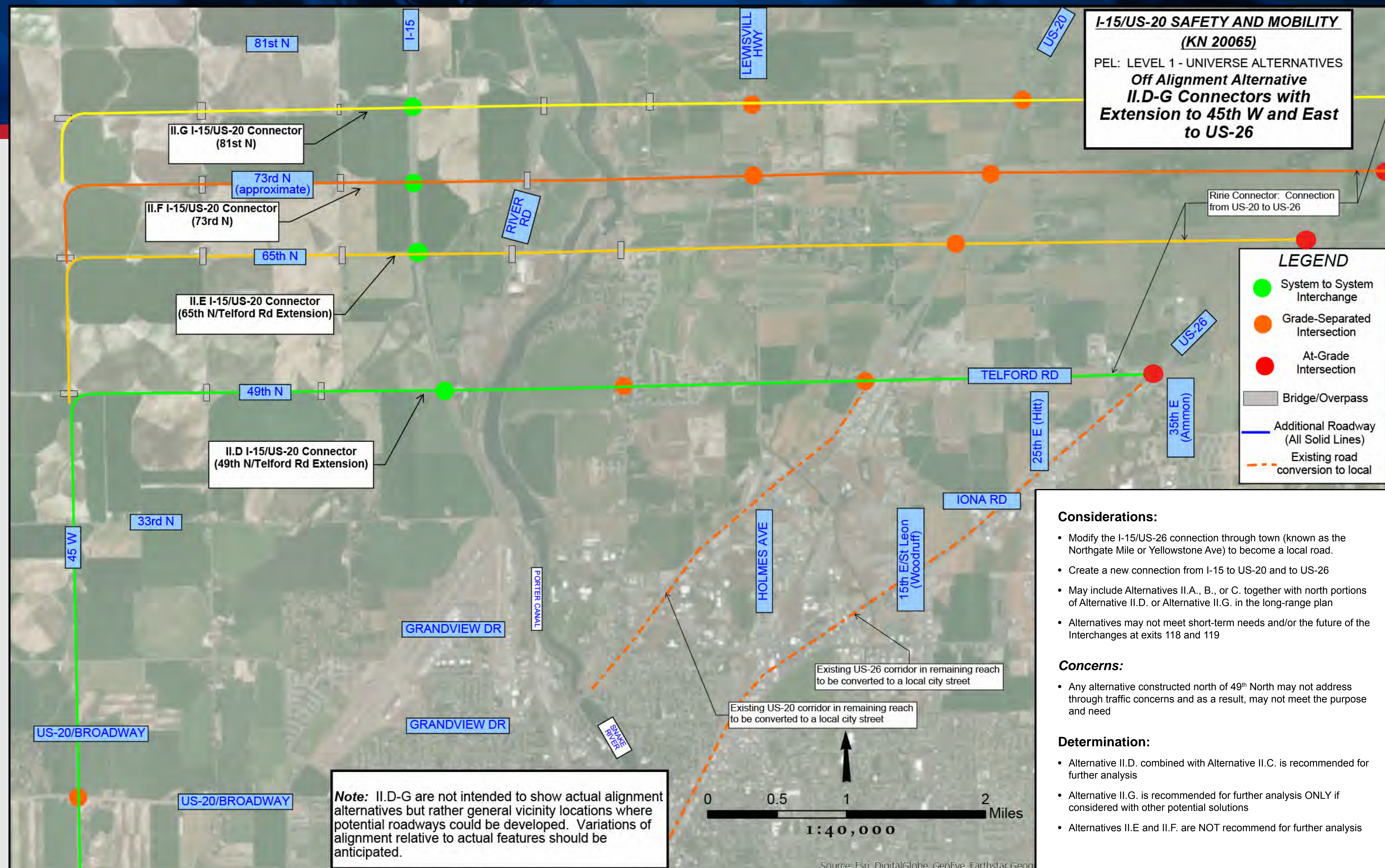








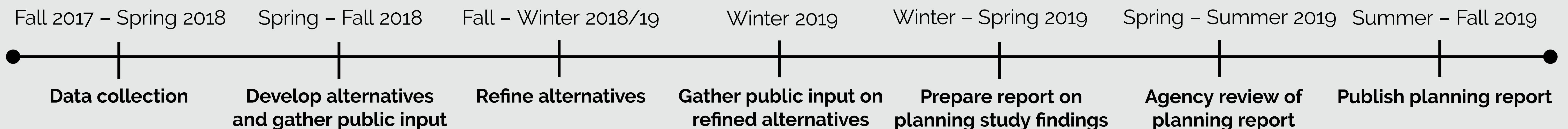






Project Schedule

The first step will be a planning and environmental study which is expected to take about 18 months. There are four major goals for this study:



★ We Are Here



Get Involved

There are several ways to get and stay involved in the I-15/US 20 Connector study:



Fill out a comment form tonight

Email us at **I-15US20Corridor@itd.idaho.gov**

Go to the project website at **i15us20connector.com** to:

- » Fill out a comment form - comments are due by September 19, 2018
- » Sign up for email updates
- » Check our event calendar for community events and future meetings

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