

Executive Summary

FUTURE CONDITIONS

A future conditions assessment was conducted that outlined population and land use assumptions along the corridor study area to inform the identification and evaluation of improvement opportunities. These findings were coupled with a recognition that there remain many unknowns on the future of vehicle traffic trends and impacts, including the continued ripple effects of COVID-era work from home policies, the future of the Northern Lights Express Rail Corridor, and Connected and Automated Vehicles, among many others.

Three travel mode scenarios were developed, offering a spectrum of potential outcomes to inform future traffic volume forecasts. Notably, minimal differences were seen across the three scenarios, likely stemming from the comparatively low growth in population and traffic demands anticipated along the corridor.

Anticipated future traffic conditions were contrasted with the existing infrastructure, which found that operations are estimated to continue being widely acceptable (LOS C or better), for nearly all adjacent intersections and the majority of corridor segments.

Additional details on the future conditions analysis can be found in the Future Conditions Chapter of the I-35 Corridor Plan Final Report.