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## Improved safety tops list of goals for Shoreline's Aurora Corridor Project

Improving safety for both motorists and pedestrians is one of the main goals of the Aurora Corridor Project. And for good reason: according to Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Shoreline's stretch of Aurora is one of the most dangerous pieces of state highway in Washington. So far this year, the Shoreline Police Department has responded to 256 accidents on Aurora. Thankfully, none have been fatal despite the fact that Shoreline's three miles of Aurora averages one fatality a year.

Shoreline's plans for the Aurora Corridor Project seek to reduce those statistics substantially. One way the design concept addresses this is through "access management."

"Access management" includes

roadway features such as designated driveways, sidewalks, curbs, medians and controlled left-turn pockets, features that much of Aurora is lacking. These features reduce conflict between vehicles and between vehicles and pedestrians. By eliminating the potential for certain types of accidents, the accident rate in turn is reduced. Because of safety concerns, state regulations now require that improvements to a street such as Aurora must include these access management features.

Two other elements of the design concept aimed at improving safety are consistent street lighting and a buffer zone between the street and sidewalk. The buffer zone will be partially landscaped and include room for amenities such as bus stop access, street lights and fire hydrants.

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