

## **Technical Memo**

**To** City of Spokane

From: Ryan Shea, PTP, Senior Transportation Planner

**Date:** August 1, 2022

**Project:** Iron Bridge Apartments

**Subject:** Trip Generation and Distribution

### Introduction:

Spectrum Development Solutions is proposing construction of the Iron Bridge Apartments project, a multifamily and off-campus student housing development at 811 N Iron Bridge Way in Spokane, Washington. The proposed project includes 262 residential units build over two construction phases. This Trip Generation and Distribution memo estimates the trip generation, distribution, and assignment for full build out of the proposed development. **Figure 1** illustrates the site vicinity and the transportation network serving the project area.

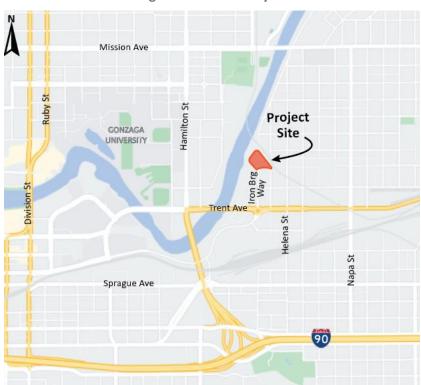


Figure 1. Site Vicinity



# **Proposed Development**

The proposed project would construct three residential buildings providing a total of 262 units ranging from studio apartments to 3-bedroom units. It is expected that approximately one third of the residents will be students attending Gonzaga University, located just west of the project site. It is estimated that 87 units (94 bedrooms) will be utilized for off-campus student living and 175 units for multifamily rental housing. Access to the project is proposed to be from Iron Bridge Way. The proposed development will be constructed over 2 phases. Full build out of the proposed project is anticipated to be complete in 2024.

The preliminary site plan is attached.

# **Project Traffic Characteristics**

The two project-related characteristics having the most effect on area traffic conditions are peak hour trip generation and the directional distribution of traffic volumes on the surrounding roadway network.

### **Site-Generated Traffic Volumes**

Vehicle trip generation was calculated using the trip generation rates contained in the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the <u>Trip Generation Manual</u> by the *Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)*. Multi-family Housing (Mid-Rise) Not Close to Rail Transit (land use code 221) and Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise) (land use code 226) land use categories match the proposed development and have been used to calculate the trip generation.

For this analysis, the "fitted-curve" equation was used when available to estimate trips in preference to using the average trip rate as this approach was recommended by ITE.

The trip generation rates used for the AM peak hour are shown in **Table 1** and the PM peak hour trip are shown in **Table 2**.

Table 1. AM Peak Hour Trip Generation Rates

| Land Use Category  | Land Use<br>Code (LUC) | Unit              | Trip<br>Rate | Enter % | Exit % |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|--------------|---------|--------|
| Multi-family Housing (Mid-Rise)<br>Not Close to Rail Transit | 221                    | Dwelling<br>Units | 0.37*        | 23%     | 77%    |
| Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise)                      | 226                    | Bedrooms          | 0.07         | 46%     | 54%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Fitted curve equation rate

**Table 2. PM Peak Hour Trip Generation Rates** 

| Land Use Category  | Land Use<br>Code (LUC) | Unit              | Trip<br>Rate | Enter % | Exit % |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|--------------|---------|--------|
| Multi-family Housing (Mid-Rise)<br>Not Close to Rail Transit | 221                    | Dwelling<br>Units | 0.39*        | 61%     | 39%    |
| Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise)                      | 226                    | Bedrooms          | 0.21         | 47%     | 53%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Fitted curve equation rate



The total trip generation expected from this project is calculated by applying the unit measure for each land use category to the appropriate trip generation rate. The AM peak hour trip generation calculations are shown in **Table 3** and the PM peak hour trip generation calculations are shown in **Table 4**. All of the trip generation calculations, including daily traffic, are attached.

Table 3. AM Peak Hour Project Trip Generation

| Land Use                   | Size          | Total Trips | Enter | Exit |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|------|
| Multifamily Rental Housing | 175 (units)   | 65          | 15    | 50   |
| Off Campus Student Housing | 94 (bedrooms) | 7           | 3     | 4    |
| Total Project Trips        | -             | 72          | 18    | 54   |

Table 4. PM Peak Hour Project Trip Generation

| Land Use                   | Size          | Total Trips | Enter | Exit |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|------|
| Multifamily Rental Housing | 175 (units)   | 69          | 42    | 27   |
| Off Campus Student Housing | 94 (bedrooms) | 20          | 9     | 11   |
| Total Project Trips        | -             | 89          | 51    | 38   |

# Site Traffic Distribution and Assignment

For this study, the regional distribution of traffic to and from the proposed project was estimated based on locations and densities of commercial and employment areas. The regional traffic distribution percentages and site traffic assignment for the proposed development for the PM peak hour are shown on **Figure 2.** 

We have presented this information for the City's use in determining if additional analysis will be required and if so, the specific analysis parameters for a Traffic Impact Analysis. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 360.352.1465.

Respectfully, SCJ Alliance

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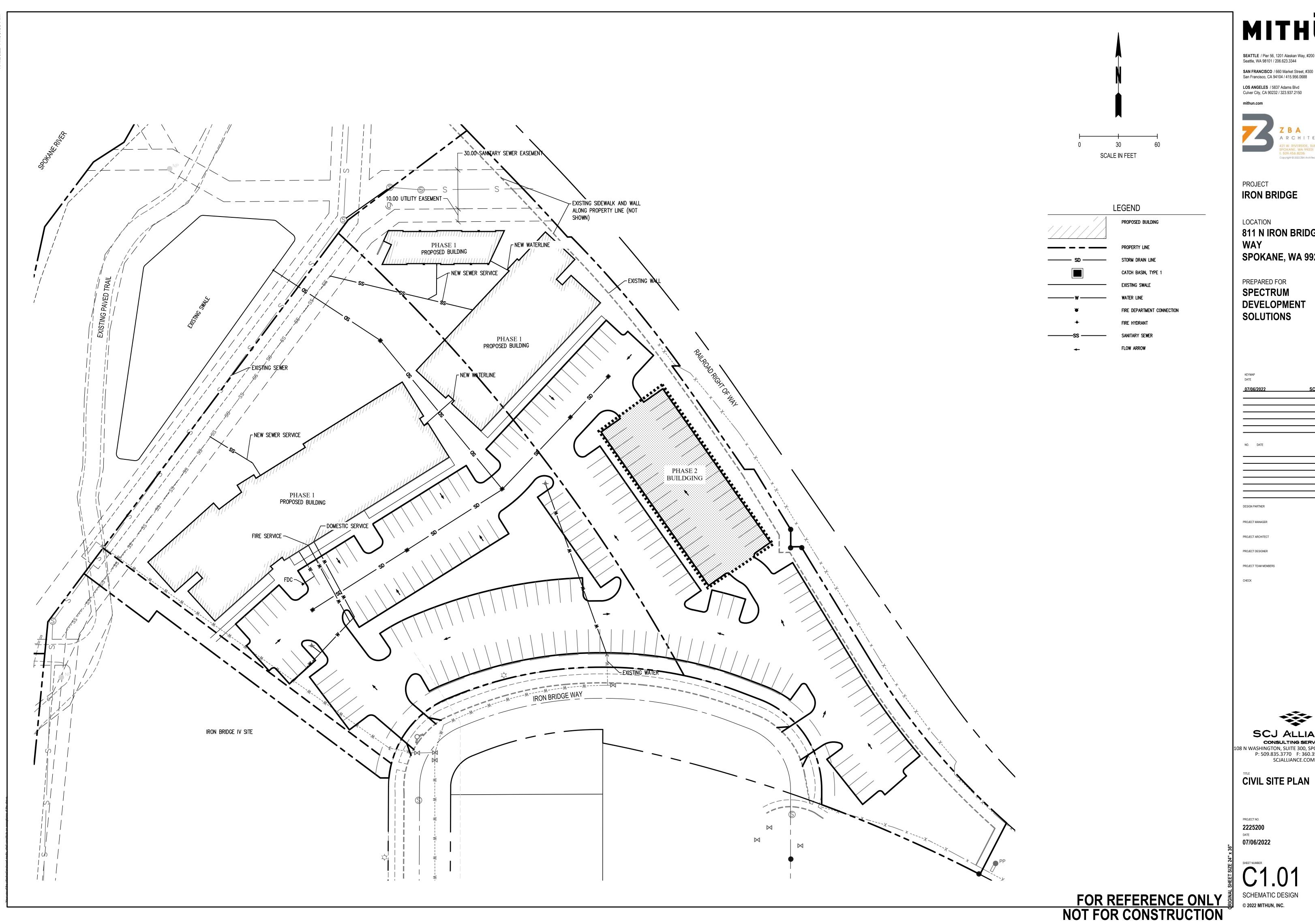
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**Trip Generation Calculations** 

Figure 2

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### **Project Trip Generation**

| PM Peak Hour Trip Generation |     |  |                |       |           |         |        |             |     |       |
|------------------------------|-----|--|----------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------|-------------|-----|-------|
| Site Plan Description        | LUC | ITE Description  | Variable       | Value | Trip Rate | Distrib | bution | Total Trips |     |       |
|                              | LUC | The Description  | variable       | value | IIIp Kate | In      | Out    | ln          | Out | Total |
| Multifamily Rental Housing   | 221 | Multifamily Housing (Mid-Rise) Not Close to Rail Transit | Dwelling Units | 175.0 | 0.39      | 61%     | 39%    | 42          | 27  | 69    |
| Off-Campus Student Housing   | 226 | Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise)                  | Bedrooms       | 94.0  | 0.21      | 47%     | 53%    | 9           | 11  | 20    |
| Total                        |     |  |                |       |           |         |        | 51          | 38  | 89    |

221 Fitted Curve Equation 0.39

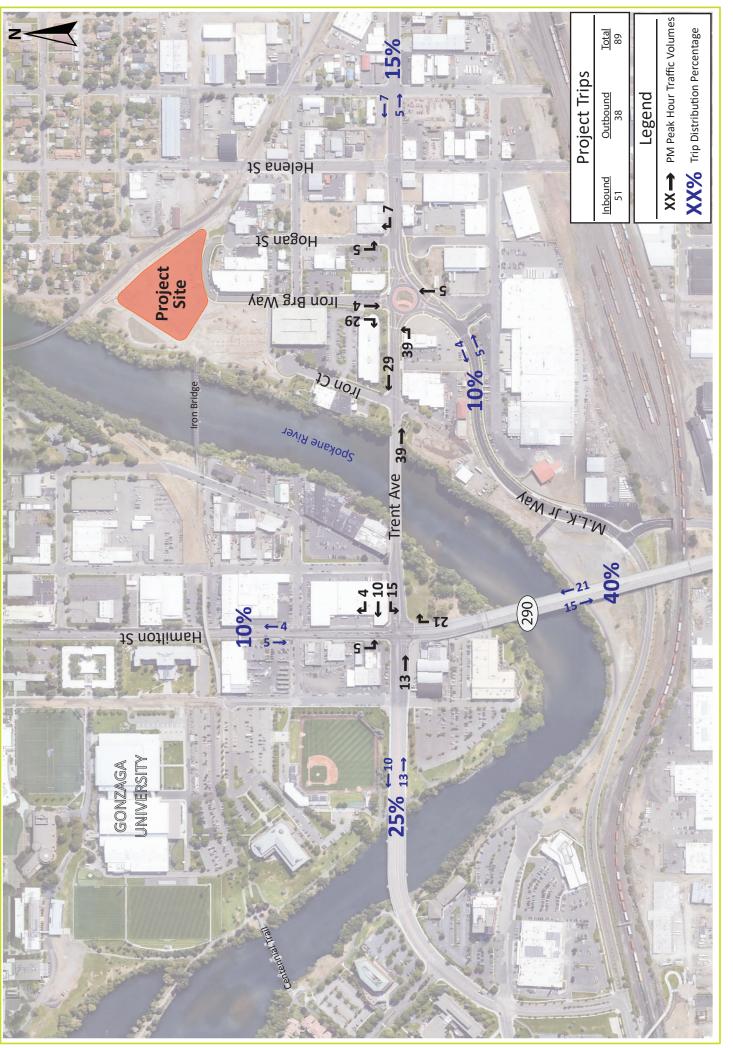
| AM Peak Hour Trip Generation |     |  |                |       |           |         |        |    |             |       |  |
|------------------------------|-----|--|----------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------|----|-------------|-------|--|
| Site Plan Description        | LUC | ITE Description  | Variable       | Value | Trip Rate | Distril | oution |    | Total Trips |       |  |
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| Multifamily Rental Housing   | 221 | Multifamily Housing (Mid-Rise) Not Close to Rail Transit | Dwelling Units | 175.0 | 0.37      | 23%     | 77%    | 15 | 50          | 65    |  |
| Off-Campus Student Housing   | 226 | Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise)                  | Bedrooms       | 94.0  | 0.07      | 46%     | 54%    | 3  | 4           | 7     |  |
| Total                        |     |  |                |       |           |         |        | 18 | 54          | 72    |  |

221 Fitted Curve Equation 0.37

| Daily Trip Generation      |     |  |                |       |           |              |     |             |     |       |
|----------------------------|-----|--|----------------|-------|-----------|--------------|-----|-------------|-----|-------|
| Site Plan Description      | LUC | ITE Description  | Variable       | Value | Trip Rate | Distribution |     | Total Trips |     |       |
|                            | 100 | TTE Description  |                |       |           | ln           | Out | In          | Out | Total |
| Multifamily Rental Housing | 221 | Multifamily Housing (Mid-Rise) Not Close to Rail Transit | Dwelling Units | 175.0 | 4.54      | 50%          | 50% | 397         | 398 | 795   |
| Off-Campus Student Housing | 226 | Off-Campus Student Apartment (Mid-Rise)                  | Bedrooms       | 94.0  | 2.57      | 50%          | 50% | 121         | 121 | 242   |
| Total                      |     |  |                |       |           |              |     | 518         | 519 | 1,037 |

221 Fitted Curve Equation

4.50



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Figure 2 Site-Generated Traffic Volumes PM Peak Hour