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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Supplemental to the SEPA Process for the proposed Marshall Creek Estates development within the City of Spokane, the following Traffic Impact Analysis applies:

- 1. The City of Spokane and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) have established Level of Service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and Level of Service E for unsignalized intersections.
- 2. The project proposes to develop 425 single family residential lots on approximately 83.0 acres \pm of a 116.31 acres \pm parcel.
- 3. The project site is currently undeveloped is covered with trees, field grass and weeds. The project proposes to realign Cedar Road as a collector road through the project with no lot frontages and only local access road connections. The proposed development will be accessed via five (5) proposed local access road connections to a realigned Cedar Road within the development. The development is configured into 3 areas. One to the south of the proposed Cedar Road alignment, one to the north of proposed Cedar Road alignment, and one to the far east of the proposed Cedar Road alignment. The project proposes to include local access public streets with curb, gutter, and sidewalks where appropriate, city water, sewer and stormwater, facilities are also anticipated to be included with the project.
- 4. The project site is currently listed on the City land use map and zoned as Residential Single Family (RSF). The subject property is located on a portion of the SE ½ of Section 1, T 24 N., R 42 E., W.M within the City of Spokane, Washington. The parcel numbers for the project are 24051.0040 and 24051.0041. The surrounding area is residential and rural land uses.
- 5. The project study area intersections were identified through conversations with the City of Spokane and WSDOT. The study also includes the level of service analysis of the AM and PM peak hours of the following intersections:
 - SR 195 & 16th Avenue
 - SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue
 - SR 195 & Inland Empire Way
 - Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps
 - Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps
 - Cheney-Spokane Road & Qualchan Drive
 - SR 195 & Qualchan Drive
 - Cheney-Spokane Road & Cedar Road (Proposed Realignment Roundabout)
 - Cedar Road & Trout Road (Proposed)
 - Cedar Road & Gardenside Road (Proposed)
 - Cedar Road & Hook Road (Proposed)
 - Cedar Road & Topwater Court (Proposed)
 - Cedar Road & Rainbow Road (Proposed)

- SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive
- SR 195 & Hatch Road
- 6. The proposed land use is anticipated to generate 307 trips in the AM peak hour with 77 trips entering the site and 230 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour, the proposed development is anticipated to generate 407 trips with 256 new trips entering the site and 151 exiting the site. The proposed land use is anticipated to generate 3,936 average daily trips to/from the project site.

7. Conclusions

This Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) has reviewed and analyzed the study area per the scope established by the City of Spokane and WSDOT. Based upon the analysis, field observations, assumptions, methodologies and results which are provided in the body of this report, it is concluded that the development of the proposed project will generate new trips on the existing transportation system and that those trips will have an impact on the transportation system. This conclusion was reached and has been documented within the body of this report.

- Under the **existing** conditions, all intersections are currently operating at an acceptable level of service.
- For the **year 2026 with background growth rate** scenario, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service except the intersections of SR 195 & 16th Avenue and SR 195 & Hatch Road. With the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project at SR 195 & 16th Avenue (Right Out only on eastbound approach) and the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only with the proposed J-turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service.
- For the year 2026 with background growth rate plus background projects and without this project scenario, with the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project (Right Out only on eastbound approach) at SR 195 & 16th Avenue, the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only at SR 195 & Hatch Road, and a new access on Eagle Ridge Boulevard with a ½ J turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service.
- For the year 2026 with background growth rate plus background projects and with this project scenario, with the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project (Right Out only on eastbound approach) at SR 195 & 16th Avenue, the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only at SR 195 & Hatch Road, and a new access on Eagle Ridge Boulevard with a ½ J turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service. (Please see Wheatland Estates Proposed Traffic/Transportation Conditions of Approval letter in Background Project section of Appendix).

- 8. As shown in the additional analysis section SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects, it was concluded that with the EB Turn Restrictions at 16th Avenue, Flashing Beacon and Sign at Thorpe Road Exit, and Connection to Inland Empire Way at Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp projects (by other projects, yet to be approved but in the pipeline) that a significant number of trips would be redirected away the NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp, and that the net result would be no additional trips to the I-90 Ramps.
- 9. As shown in the additional analysis Highway Segment LOS and Queue Analysis section, based upon the analysis provided it is concluded that the addition of the 72 AM and the 33 PM project trips will have an impact upon the SR 195 & 1-90 Interchange, by adding 25 vehicles with a calculated 646 ft addition at queue for AM and 1 vehicle with a calculated 26 ft addition at queue for PM with SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects.
- 10. As shown in the additional analysis, based upon the LOS Analysis on the intersection of 23rd Avenue & Inland Empire Way, it is concluded that the addition of the project trips will have a minimal impact upon the intersection of 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road) & Inland Empire Way, by increasing 0.2 seconds in delay for AM and 0.1 seconds in delay for PM.
- 11. As shown in the additional analysis, based upon the Queue Analysis on the intersection of 16th Avenue & SR 195, it is concluded that the diverted trips will have a minimal impact upon the northbound left-turn lane at the intersection of 16th Avenue and SR 195, by adding 1 vehicle (2 ft) in queue for AM and 1 vehicle (15 ft) in queue for PM.

12. Recommendations

It is recommended that the project be conditioned to participate in the Corridor Improvement projects as described within this document. The proposed conditions are as follows.

- A. Vehicular traffic from this project is expected to add 72 AM trips and 33 PM trips to the NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp. WSDOT has commented that no additional peak hour trips may be added to the ramp due to safety concerns. Marshall Creek is therefore required to contribute funds to complete an improvement to the US 195 corridor that will reduce the impact of its traffic on NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp ("Mitigation Project"). Marshall Creek may final plat lots after a financial commitment is in place (secured by a letter of credit or bond), which has been approved by the City, providing for the funding of the design and the construction for the Mitigation Project(s), which shall be under contract for construction within one year from the recording of the final plat. The details of the mitigation project(s) will be agreed upon by the developers, City and WSDOT. The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the mitigation project(s) will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070
- B. Marshall Creek may final plat lots once a financial commitment is in place (secured by a letter of credit or bond), which has been approved by the City, providing for Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement. This

commitment may be defined as an agreement between several developers to fund and construct the Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp – Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement projects within a specified time frame, not to exceed six years, as agreed upon by city staff and WSDOT. The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the Improvement projects will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070.

- *i.* The Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement project participation is estimated at \$1,910.64/PM peak hour trip and will consist of the proportionate share of the following:
 - Extend the northbound ramp to Inland Empire Way,
 - One -way connection to Inland Empire Way, for Phase 1
 - Two-way connection to Inland Empire Way, for Phase 2. It should be noted that while this two-way connection is a desirous connection for connectivity options for the City and WSDOT, the inbound lane, would require a lane shift of approximately 2,000 LF of SR-195 and is beyond the expectation for mitigation related to the diminishment of trips NB through the SR-195 and I-90 interchange. This project will prepare as apart of the Intersection Plan for Approval process with the WSDOT and City of Spokane the design necessary to accommodate two-way travel between Cheney Spokane Road and Inland Empire Way but will only construct the NB one-way phase as a part of these projects.
 - Install ramp with acceleration lane.
 - Install ramp meter signal.
 - *Relocate existing sign bridge.*
- *ii.* Marshall Creek Financial Commitment
 - The financial commitment for Marshall Creek development based upon the rate of participation is as follows for the Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp improvement with 407 PM peak hour trips at \$1,910.64 per PM peak hour trip. The participation percentage is anticipated to total \$776,630.48(407 trips * \$1,910.64). In summary the total financial commitment due is \$776,630.48 or \$1,827.37 per unit (\$776,630.48/425units) or greater depending upon final cost.
- *iii.* The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the Improvement projects will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070.
- iv. It should be noted that the Latah Glen Community commitment to this improvement has been set tentatively at \$76,602.24 this commitment along with the previously noted \$776,630.48 would result in a beginning commitment of \$853,232.72. It is understood that this is an approximated commitment may increase due to actual construction costs for the improvements proposed.
- 13. Based upon the conclusions within this study, the proposed project is recommended to complete all required conditions of approval and should be allowed to move forward without further traffic analysis, or offsite mitigation.

Introduction, Purpose of Report and Study Area

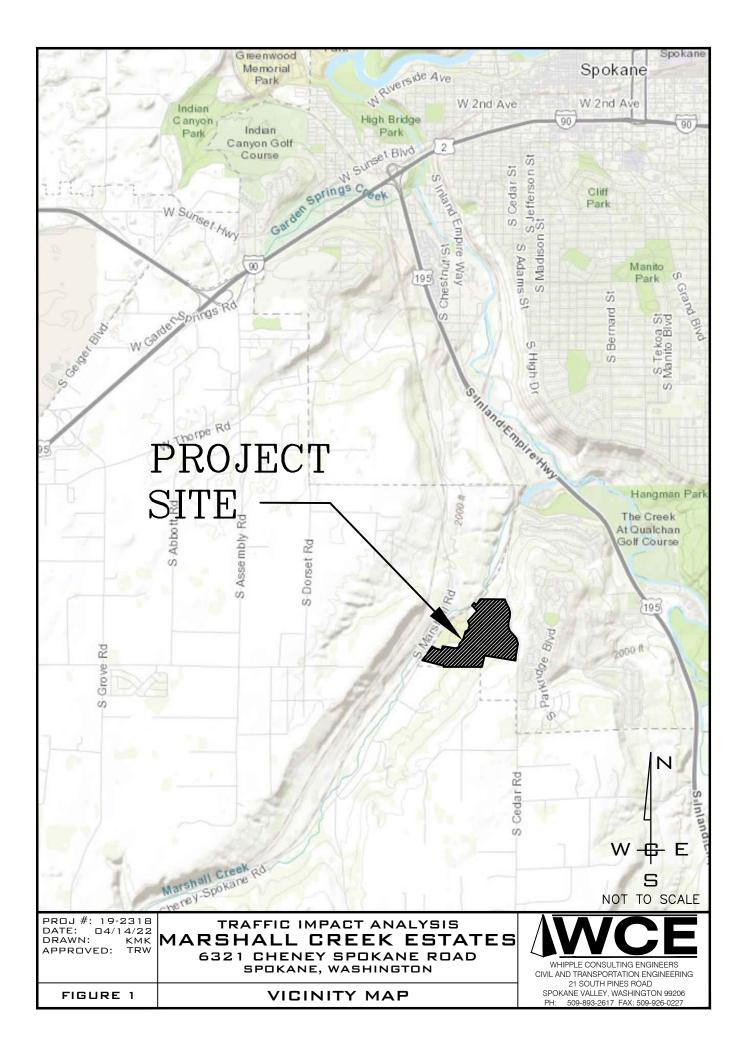
This traffic impact analysis is required by the City of Spokane as part of the SEPA process for the proposed Marshall Creek Estates. The project proposes to develop 425 single family residential lots on approximately 83.0 acres \pm . Please see Figure 1 Vicinity Map and Figure 2 Preliminary Site Plan.

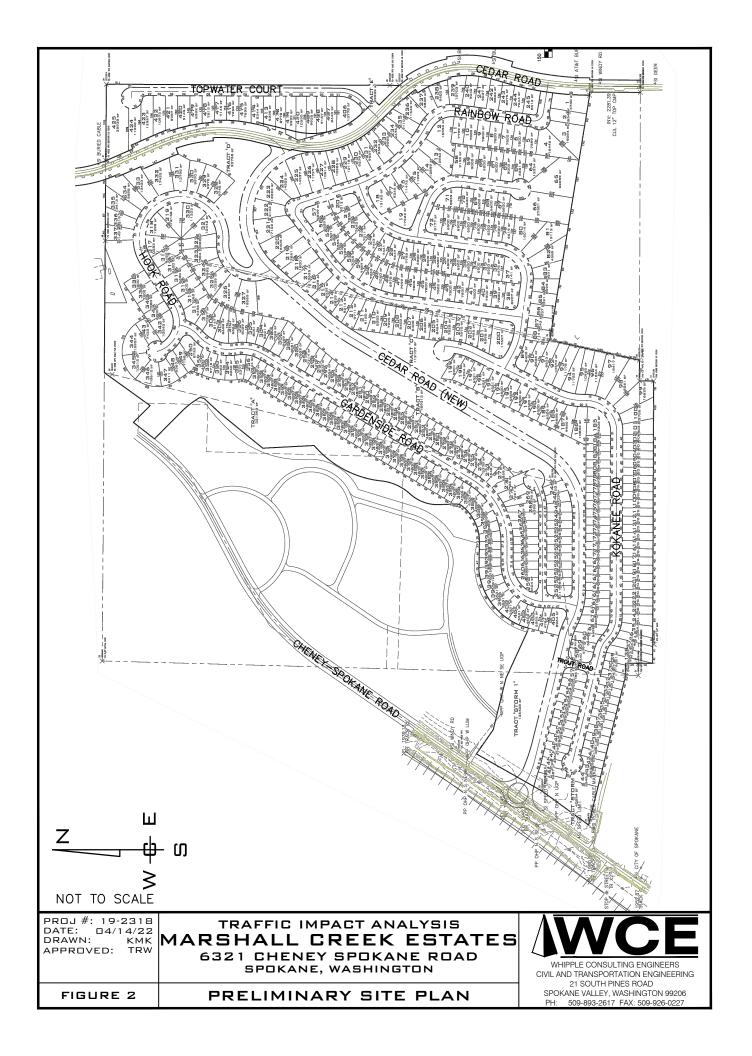
The purpose of this analysis is to review, assess, and identify the potential traffic related impacts that the proposed project may have on the transportation network and where possible minimize and/or mitigate any impact. This TIA will be completed in accordance with the current traffic guidelines from the City of Spokane and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (A Recommended Practice – Traffic Access and Impact Studies for Site Development, 2010) as well as their respective requirements.

Site Location and Development Description

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EXISTING AND PROPOSED CONDITIONS

Existing and Proposed Conditions within the Study Area

Land Use & Zoning

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Existing Roadways

The overall transportation network in this area consists of a State Route, arterial, collector and local access roads. The project is proposed to be accessed via five (5) proposed local access road connections to the realigned Cedar Road. The proposed project trips are anticipated to use the following roadways:

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road</u> is generally a two-way, 2-lane north/south minor arterial and rural major collector. Cheney-Spokane Road is a minor arterial from when it intersects with State Route 195 as it extends southward to Marshall Road. From Marshall Road toward the south, Cheney-Spokane Road serves as a rural major collector. Cheney-Spokane Road functions as a route between the City of Cheney and City of Spokane. The posted speed limits on Cheney-Spokane Road within the study area are 35 & 45 MPH.

<u>Cedar Road (Proposed Realignment)</u> is a north-south, two-way, 2-lane collector road. Cedar Road extends north from Gibbs Road within the project area and goes through Taylor Road, White Road, and Eagle Ridge Boulevard before continuing north and then intersecting with Cheney-Spokane Road. The project proposes to realign Cedar Road as a collector road through the project. Cedar Road primarily serves residential land uses. The speed limit on Cedar Road is 30 MPH.

<u>Qualchan Drive</u> is generally an east/west, two-way, local access road. Qualchan Drive extends west from State Route 195 and intersects with Cheney-Spokane Road. Qualchan Drive primarily serves residential land uses. The posted speed limit on Qualchan Drive is 25 MPH.

<u>State Route 195</u> is generally a north/south, two-way, 4-lane highway. State Route 195 extends south from Interstate 90 at Exit 279 and goes through 16th Avenue, Thorpe Road and Cities of Spangle, Freedom, Plaza, Rosalia, Thornton, Cashup, Steptoe, Colfax, Pullman, Johnson, Colton, and Uniontown before merging with State Route 95.

Study Area Intersections (TIA Scope)

The project study area intersections were identified through public traffic scoping meeting on November 24th, 2020 and finalized in conversations with the City of Spokane and WSDOT. The study encompasses the AM and PM peak hour analysis of the following intersections:

- SR 195 & 16th Avenue
- SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue

- SR 195 & Inland Empire Way
- Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps
- Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps
- Cheney-Spokane Road & Qualchan Drive
- SR 195 & Qualchan Drive
- Cheney-Spokane Road & Cedar Road (Proposed Realignment Roundabout)
- Cedar Road & Trout Road (Proposed)
- Cedar Road & Gardenside Road (Proposed)
- Cedar Road & Hook Road (Proposed)
- Cedar Road & Topwater Court (Proposed)
- Cedar Road & Rainbow Road (Proposed)
- SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive
- SR 195 & Hatch Road

The scope also included an additional analysis of highway segment and Queue length at the I-90/SR195 EB Ramp, as well as SR195 Corridor Improvement Projects.

Traffic Control and Descriptions

<u>SR 195 & 16th Avenue</u> is an unsignalized 4-leg two-way-stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the east and westbound approaches with the following lane configuration: the east and westbound approaches have one receiving lane and one left-through-right lane. The north and southbound approaches have two receiving lanes, a left turn lane, a through lane, and a through-right lane. With the separated highway there is space for 1 vehicle within the median

SR 195 & Thorpe Road (J-Turns) The J-turn design redirects left turns away from the central intersection and reduces conflicts. The central intersection is an unsignalized 4-leg two-way-stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the east and westbound approaches with the following lane configuration: the east and westbound approaches have one receiving lane and a right turn lane. The westbound right turn lane is channelized into an acceleration lane. The northbound approach has two receiving lanes, two through lanes, and a right turn pocket. The southbound approach has one acceleration lane, two receiving lanes, two through lanes, and a right turn lane.

<u>SR 195 & Inland Empire Way</u> is an unsignalized stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the eastbound approach of Inland Empire Way, with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and one right turn lane. The northbound approach has two receiving lanes and two through lanes. The southbound approach has two receiving lanes, at through lane, and a through-right lane with a right turn taper.

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps</u> is an unsignalized two-way-stopcontrolled intersection with stop control on the north and southbound approaches, with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and one left turn lane. The northbound approach has no receiving lane and one left-through lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a right turn lane. <u>Chenev-Spokane Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (1)</u> is an unsignalized -stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the southbound on/off one-way ramps with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane. The southbound approach has one left-through-right lane.

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 SB off Ramp (2)</u> is an unsignalized -stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the westbound approach with the following lane configuration: The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left turn lane that stops for the southbound lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a channelized right turn lane. The southbound approach has one through lane.

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road & Qualchan Drive</u> is an unsignalized-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the westbound approach with the following lane configuration: The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane.

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road & Cedar Road (Existing)</u> is an unsignalized-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the west & northbound approach with the following lane configuration: The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane.

<u>Cheney-Spokane Road & Cedar Road (Proposed Realignment - Roundabout)</u> is an unsignalized roundabout intersection with the following lane configuration: The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane.

<u>Cedar Road & Trout Road (Proposed)</u> is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the northbound approach with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane.

<u>Cedar Road & Gardenside Road (Proposed)</u> is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the southbound approach with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The westbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane.

<u>Cedar Road & Hook Road (Proposed)</u> is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the southbound approach with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The westbound approach

has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane.

Cedar Road & Topwater Court (Proposed) is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the westbound approach with the following lane configuration: the westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through turn lane.

Cedar Road & Rainbow Road (Proposed) is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled "T" type intersection with stop control on the eastbound approach with the following lane configuration: the eastbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-right turn lane. The northbound approach has one receiving lane and a left-through lane. The southbound approach has one receiving lane and a through-right lane.

SR 195 & Meadow Lane Road is an unsignalized two-way-stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the east and westbound approaches with the following lane configuration: the east and westbound approaches have one receiving lane and a left-through-right lane. The northbound approach has two receiving lanes, a left turn lane, a through lane, and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has two receiving lanes, a left turn lane, two through lanes and a right turn lane.

SR 195 & Hatch Road is an unsignalized one-way-stop-controlled intersection with stop control on the westbound approach with the following lane configuration: the westbound approach has one receiving lane and a left -right turn lane. The northbound approach has two receiving lanes, one through lane, and a through-right lane. The southbound approach has two receiving lanes, a left turn lane, and two through lanes.

Traffic Safety

For the intersections within the study area accident report summaries were received from the City of Spokane and WSDOT. Generally, accidents are documented by type of occurrence, such as property damage or injury. No fatalities were reported for the study intersections during the last three years.

ITE MEV Method

 $Rate per MEV = \frac{number of accidents in three years X 1 million}{PM Peak hour volume X PM Peak Factor X 365 X 3 years}$ Equation 4-2 of ITE manual of traffic engineering studies (fourth edition) (modified given the available data, for 3 years and utilizes PM peak hour volumes ~ 10% of ADT)

In this analysis accidents are measured based on frequency per million entering vehicles (MEV). This ratio is a function of the average daily traffic entering the intersection and the annual frequency of accidents. This method of analysis is also considered as an "exposure" analysis. This method of analysis is used to identify areas that need further review. A typical review threshold for accidents at an intersection is 1.00 accidents per MEV. The accident data for the intersections within the study area are shown in Table 1.

ACCIDENT DATA										
Intersection	201	7	201	8	201	9	202	20	INTX	Per
Intersection	PDO	INJ	PDO	INJ	PDO	INJ	PDO	INJ	ADT	MEV
SR 195 & 16 th Ave	4	3	2	0	2	2			23,100	0.514
SR 195 & Thorpe Ave(Before J-turn)*	7	2	3	5	0	2			24,150	0.761
SR 195 & Thorpe Ave(After J-turn)*							3	0	24,150	0.292
SR 195 & Inland Empire Way	1	1	0	0	0	1			14,190	0.193
Ch-Sp Rd & SR 195 NB Ramps	0	0	0	0	0	0			4,860	0
Ch-Sp Rd & SR 195 SB Ramps	0	1	0	0	0	0			11,430	0.080
Ch-Sp Rd & Qualchan Dr	2	0	1	1	2	0			6,990	0.783
Qualchan Dr & SR 195	4	1	0	0	0	0			10,970	0.416
Ch-Sp Rd & Cedar Rd	0	1	0	2	1	1			6,940	0.658
SR 195 & Meadowlane Rd	0 4		3	0	1	3			17,040	0.590
SR 195 & Hatch Rd	1	3	2	1	1	1			14,730	0.558

Table 1 – Accident Data for Intersections within the Study Area

*Per the WSDOT comments dated May 28, 2021, the crash analysis includes the year 2020 to reflect the recent J-turn improvement project (Before J-turn – Jan 2017 ~ Oct 2019, After J-turn – Nov 2019 ~ Dec 2020).

As shown in the table above, all intersections within the study area do not meet or exceed the threshold for further review.

WSDOT HSM Method

The existing traffic safety assessment at the scoped intersections on State Route 195 were estimated using the methods from the *Safety Analysis Guide* published by WSDOT as implemented in HSM spreadsheet tool, version 9.0 placed at <u>http://safetyperformance.org/tools/</u>.

The term crash frequency refers to the number of crashes per year. Crash frequency is used to describe:

- **Observed (Table 1)** average crash frequency: the historic average of the number of crashes per year. When the HSM predictive method is used with crash history, the expected average crash frequency replaces the observed average crash frequency as a more reliable value of actual average historic performance.
- **Predicted (Based upon; Geometry & Traffic Volume)** average crash frequency is an output from the HSM predictive analysis using only geometry and existing traffic volumes. It is the average safety performance of similar intersections in crashes per year. The predicted analysis provides a base level for the intersection.
- Expected (Based upon; Geometry, Traffic Volume & Observed Crash Data) average crash frequency using geometry, existing traffic volumes and reported crash data. This analysis is considered a more reliable metric of existing or actual average crash performance, measured in crashes per year. This analysis uses the predicted average crash frequency, and the observed crash history as input to the empirical Bayes method in the HSM predictive methods. Results from the empirical Bayes method is calculated by weighting the observed crash history against the predicted number of crashes per year. Note that the analysis result values are averages, and should not be interpreted as point values. Values are also rounded to one decimal place.
- Potential for Improvement (Difference between Predicted & Expected Crash Frequencies) average crash frequency is strictly a difference between the Predicted and

Expected crash frequencies to identify and determine what locations have the highest potential for improvement and the reduction of fatal and serious injury crashes, and return the greatest benefit for the cost of a safety project.

The results of the predictive analysis within the study area are shown in Table 2. The worksheets for the analysis are included in Appendix.

ACCIDENT ANALYSIS							
		sh Frequency (crashes/yr)					
Intersection		Predicted (Geometry/Volume)	Expected (Geometry/Volume/ Accident history)	Potential for Improvement (Difference)			
	FT & INJ	0.7	1.3	0.6			
SR 195 & 16 th Avenue	PDO	1.0	1.9	0.9			
	Total	1.8	3.3	1.5			
SD 105 & Thomas	FT & INJ	0.7	2.0	1.2			
SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue	PDO	1.0	2.8	1.8			
Avenue	Total	1.8	4.8	3.0			
SR 195 & Inland	FT & INJ	0.2	0.3	0.1			
	PDO	0.1	0.2	0.1			
Empire Way	Total	0.3	0.5	0.2			
Cheney-Spokane Road	FT & INJ	0.2	0.1	0			
& SR 195 NB on/off Ramps	PDO	0.2	0.2	0			
	Total	0.4	0.3	0			
Cheney-Spokane Road	FT & INJ	0.6	0.3	0			
& SR 195 SB on/off	PDO	1.0	0.6	0			
Ramps	Total	1.6	0.9	0			
CD 105 & Ouslahan	FT & INJ	0.3	0.4	0.1			
SR 195 & Qualchan Drive	PDO	0.4	0.5	0.1			
Diive	Total	0.7	0.9	0.2			
SR 195 & Meadowlane	FT & INJ	1.0	1.3	0.4			
Drive	PDO	1.5	2.0	0.6			
Diive	Total	2.4	3.4	0.9			
	FT & INJ	0.6	1.0	0.4			
SR 195 & Hatch Road	PDO	1.1	1.8	0.8			
	Total	1.6	2.8	1.2			

 Table 2 - Accident Analysis for Intersections on SR 195 (Existing Volumes)

FT & INJ = Fatal and Injury, PDO = Property Damage Only

As shown on Table 2, based upon the HSM analysis, it is anticipated that the intersections of State Route 195 & 16th Avenue, State Route 195 & Thorpe Avenue, State Route 195 & Meadowlane Drive, and State Route 195 & Hatch Road in the study area may experience more crashes than intersections with similar roadway characteristics and traffic volumes. It is anticipated that the intersections of State Route 195 & Inland Empire Way and Cheney-Spokane Road & State Route 195 NB on/off Ramps will have a safety performance similar to other intersections that have the same roadway characteristics and traffic volumes. It is also anticipated that the intersection of Cheney-Spokane Road & State Route 195 SB on/off Ramps will experience fewer crashes than intersections with similar roadway characteristics and traffic volumes. It is also anticipated that the intersection of Cheney-Spokane Road & State Route 195 SB on/off Ramps will experience fewer crashes than intersections with similar roadway characteristics and traffic volumes. It is also anticipated that the intersection of Cheney-Spokane Road & State Route 195 SB on/off Ramps will experience fewer crashes than intersections with similar roadway characteristics and traffic volumes.

Note: There is currently no warrant standard established, that requires that a safety project be implemented by this analysis.

Traffic Volumes and Peak Hours of Operation

Traffic counts were collected in 2018, 2019, 2020, & 2021 under the direction of Whipple Consulting Engineers (WCE) and Idax Data Solutions (IDAX)^{*}, at the following intersection:

- SR 195 & 16th Avenue (August 2019)
- SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue (November 2018)
- SR 195 & Inland Empire Way (January 2021)
- Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps (May 2019)
- Cheney-Spokane Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (May 2019)
- Cheney-Spokane Road & Qualchan Drive (October & December 2018)
- Qualchan Drive & SR 195 (January 2021)
- Cheney-Spokane Road & Cedar Road (October 2018)
- SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive (November 2018)
- SR 195 & Hatch Road (February 2020 IDAX)*

The AM & PM peak hours from these counts are shown on Figures 3 & 4. The raw data for these counts are located in the technical appendix.

Traffic Counts Adjustment Factor

For the effect of the Covid Pandemic, the study area is anticipated to have experienced a decrease in traffic volumes. This effect applies to the year 2021 counts. It is the intention of this study to apply a Covid Pandemic Factor to the collected traffic volume, as allowed, to adjust them to the volumes experienced before the effect of the Covid Pandemic, which would be a "normal" baseline year. Based upon the traffic counts before the effect of the Covid Pandemic, the adjustment factors for Covid Pandemic have been calculated. The methodology has been summarized below and the calculation and analysis are included in the Traffic Adjustment Calculation of the Appendix.

The method

- 1. The expected volume for the year 2021 is calculated by taking the approach volume from a recent pre pandemic count (2018/2109 counts) and multiplying it by the background growth rate for year 2021 (1.03/1.02).
- 2. An adjustment ratio is then calculated by dividing the expected by the actual
- 3. The adjusted volumes are then calculated by multiplying the actual volume by the adjustment ratio.

LEVEL OF SERVICE

Level of Service (LOS) is an empirical premise developed by the transportation profession to quantify driver perception for such elements as travel time, number of stops, total amount of stopped delay, and impediments caused by other vehicles afforded to drivers who utilize the transportation network. It has been defined by the Transportation Research Board in the *Highway Capacity Manual 6th Edition*. This document has quantified level of service into a range from "A" which indicates little, if any, vehicle delay, to "F" which indicates significant vehicle delay and traffic congestion that may lead to system breakdown due to volumes that may exceed capacity.

Signalized Intersections

For signalized intersections, research has determined that average stopped delay per vehicle is the best available measure of Level of Service. The following tables identify the relationships between level of service and average stopped delay per vehicle. The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted <u>level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for all signalized intersections</u>.

LOS	Delay Range (sec)	General Description
А	10	 Very low delay at intersection. All signal cycles clear. No vehicles wait through more than one signal cycle.
В	10 to 20	 Operating speeds beginning to be affected by other traffic. Short traffic delays at intersections. Higher average intersections delays resulting from more vehicles stopping.
С	20 to 35	 Operating speeds and maneuverability closely controlled by other traffic. Higher delays at intersections than for LOS B due to a significant number of vehicles stopping. Not all signal cycles clear the waiting vehicles.
D	35 to 55	 Tolerable operating speeds, but long traffic delays occur at intersections The influence of congestion is noticeable. Many vehicles stop and the proportion of vehicles not stopping declines. The number of signal cycle failures, for which vehicles must wait through more than one signal cycle are noticeable.
Е	55 to 80	 Speeds are restricted, very long traffic delays are experienced and traffic volumes are near capacity. Traffic flow is unstable, any interruption, no matter how minor, will cause queues to form and service to deteriorate. Traffic signal cycle failures are frequent occurrences.
F	80	 Extreme delays resulting in long queues which may interfere with other traffic movements Stoppages of long duration and speeds may drop to zero. Vehicle arrival rates are greater than capacity. Considered unacceptable by most drivers.

Level of Service	Criteria	and Descrip	tions - Signalized
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Unsignalized Intersections

The calculation of Level of Service (LOS) at an unsignalized one/two-way stop-controlled intersection is examined in the Transportation Research Board's *Highway Capacity Manual 6th Edition*. For unsignalized intersections, Level of Service is based on the delay experienced by each movement and approach within the intersection. The concept of delay as presented for unsignalized intersections in the Highway Capacity Manual is based on the amount of time a vehicle must spend at the intersection. Vehicles passing straight through the intersection on the major (uncontrolled) street experience no delay at the intersection. On the other hand, vehicles which are turning left from the minor street, because they must yield the right of way to all right turning vehicles, all left turning vehicles from the major street and all through vehicles on both the minor and major streets, must spend more time at the intersection. Levels of Service are assigned to individual movements within the intersection, and are based upon the delay experienced by each movement or approach.

The Transportation Research Board has determined what Levels of Service for unsignalized intersections should be, by designating Level of Service A through F, where Level of Service A represents a facility where no vehicle in any movement is delayed very long and Level of Service F which represents a facility where there is excessive delay for the average vehicle in at least one movement in the intersection. The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted <u>level of service E for all unsignalized intersections</u> within the study area.

-	Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions - Onsignalized					
LOS	Delay Range (sec)	Expected Delay to Minor Street Traffic	General Description			
А	10	Little to No Delay	Nearly all drivers find freedom of operation.Very seldom is there more than one vehicle in the queue.			
В	10 to 15	Short Traffic Delays	Some drivers begin to consider the delay an inconvenienceOccasionally there is more than one vehicle in the queue.			
С	15 to 25	Average Traffic Delays	Many times, there is more than one vehicle in the queue.Most drivers feel restricted, but not objectionably so.			
D	25 to 35	Long Traffic Delays	Often there is more than one vehicle in the queue.Drivers feel quite restricted.			
Е	35 to 50	Very Long Traffic Delays	 Represents conditions in which, demand is near or equal capacity. There is almost always more than one vehicle in the queue. Drivers find the delays approaching intolerable levels. 			
F	50	Stop-and-Go Condition Delays Generally Longer than Acceptable	 Forced flow. Represents an intersection failure condition that is caused by geometric and/or operational constraints external to the intersection 			

Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions - Unsignalized

All Level of Service analyses described in this report were performed in accordance with the procedures described above. As a final note, the Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) analysis and procedures are <u>based upon worst case conditions</u>. Therefore, most of each weekday and the weekends will experience traffic conditions <u>better than those described within this document</u>, which are only for the peak hours of operation.

Roundabout Intersections

The calculation of level of service (LOS) at an unsignalized one/two-lane Roundabout is examined in the Transportation Research Board's *Highway Capacity Manual 6th Edition*. For Roundabout intersections, level of service is based on the average delay of the intersection. The concept of delay as presented for unsignalized intersections in the Highway Capacity Manual is based on the amount of time a vehicle must spend at the intersection. Vehicles on an approach must yield to the vehicle within the roundabout and wait for a gap before entering the roundabout. This time that a vehicle yields or waits for a gap is calculated and averaged. Average delay of all the movements make up the average delay of the intersection.

The Transportation Research Board has determined what levels of service for roundabouts should be, by designating level of service A through F, where level of service A represents a facility where no vehicle in any movement is delayed very long and level of service F which represents a facility where there is excessive delay for the average vehicle in at least one movement in the intersection. The City of Spokane and WSDOT have <u>Volume/Capacity(v/c) of 0.9 or less for all roundabout intersections</u> within the study area. Per WSDOT policy Roundabout analysis is completed using the Sidra Intersection 8 Software. The WSDOT policy for Sidra 8.X sets lane widths, HCM 6 reporting with a calibration factor of 0.95.

LOS	Sidra - Delay Range (sec)	Expected Delay to Minor Street Traffic	General Description
А	10	Little to No Delay	Nearly all drivers find freedom of operation.Very seldom is there more than one vehicle in the queue.
В	10 to 20	Short Traffic Delays	 Some drivers begin to consider the delay an inconvenience Occasionally there is more than one vehicle in the queue.
С	20 to 35	Average Traffic Delays	Many times, there is more than one vehicle in the queue.Most drivers feel restricted, but not objectionably so.
D	35 to 55	Long Traffic Delays	 Often there is more than one vehicle in the queue. Multiple vehicles are in the roundabout and few gaps are available. Drivers feel quite restricted.
Е	55 to 80	Very Long Traffic Delays	 Represents conditions in which, demand is near or equal to capacity. There is almost always more than one vehicle in the queue waiting for a gap. Drivers find the delays approaching intolerable levels.
F	80	Stop-and-Go Condition Delays Generally Longer than Acceptable	 Forced flow, vehicle movements are slow to circulate, drivers wedge into the line. Represents an intersection failure condition that is caused by geometric and/or operational constraints external to the intersection

Level of Service Criteria and Descriptions - Roundabout

EXISTING LEVEL OF SERVICE AND TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

Existing Level of Service and Traffic Analysis

The existing Levels of Service at the scoped intersections were calculated using the methods from the 6^{th} Edition Highway Capacity Manual as implemented in Synchro, version 10 - Build 122. The existing Levels of Service for the intersection within the study area are summarized on the following tables. The existing traffic volumes used for this report are shown on Figures 3 & 4.

INTERSECTION	N		ık Hour	PM Peak Hour		
	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized		LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS	
SR 195 & 16 th Avenue	U	39.2	Е	42.9	Е	
SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue	U	12.5	В	19.4	С	
• SR 195 & North J-Turn Crossover [*]	U	9.1	А	16.7	С	
o (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(8.5)	(A)	(19.7)	(B)	
• SR 195 & South J-Turn Crossover**	U	20.8	С	9.9	А	
o (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(21.9)	(B)	(10.5)	(A)	
SR 195 & Inland Empire Way	U	10.7	В	15.1	С	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps	U	9.0	А	9.0	А	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (1)	U	21.5	С	13.7	В	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (2)	U	10.7	В	15.7	С	
Ch-Sp Road & Qualchan Drive	U	15.4	С	10.4	В	
SR 195 & Qualchan Drive	U	10.1	В	12.9	В	
Ch-Sp Road & Cedar Road	U	9.7	А	10.9	В	
SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive***	U	31.4	D	31.4	D	
SR 195 & Hatch Road****	U	21.0	С	46.7	Е	

 Table 3 – 2021 Existing Intersections Levels of Service (Figure 3&4)

*North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.2 veh (5 ft), PM: 1.1 veh (28 ft)

**South J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 1.7 veh (43 ft), PM: 0.4 veh (10 ft)

***Left-Turn Movement on EB Approach

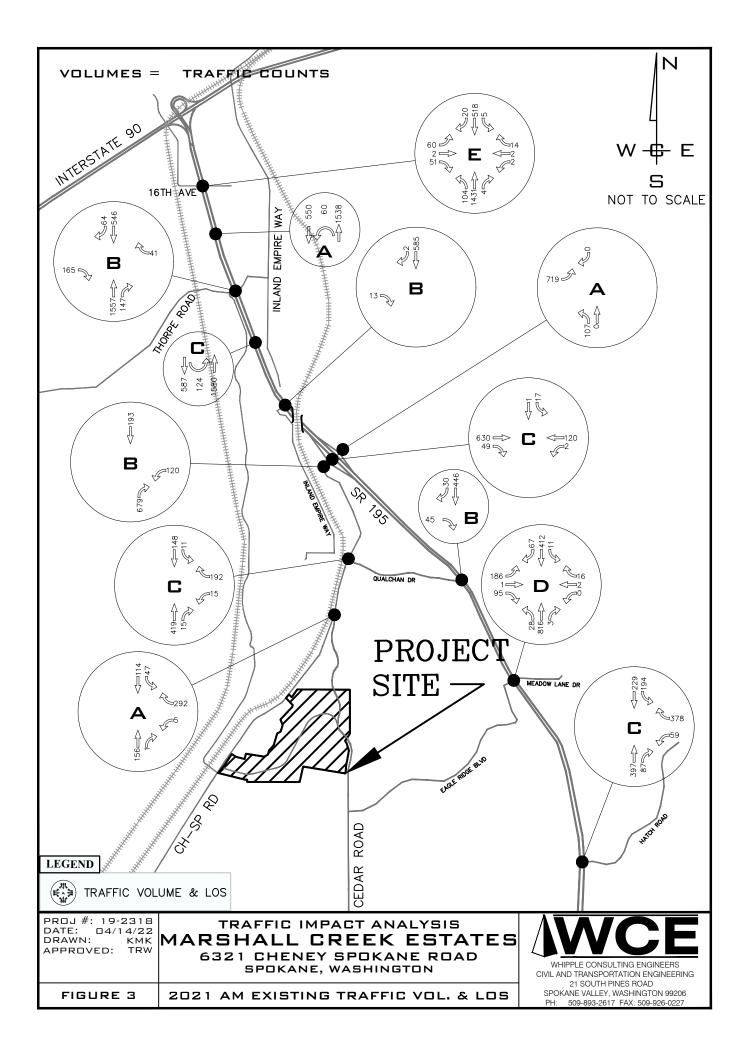
****Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB – AM: 3.6 veh (90 ft), PM: 2.7 veh (68 ft)

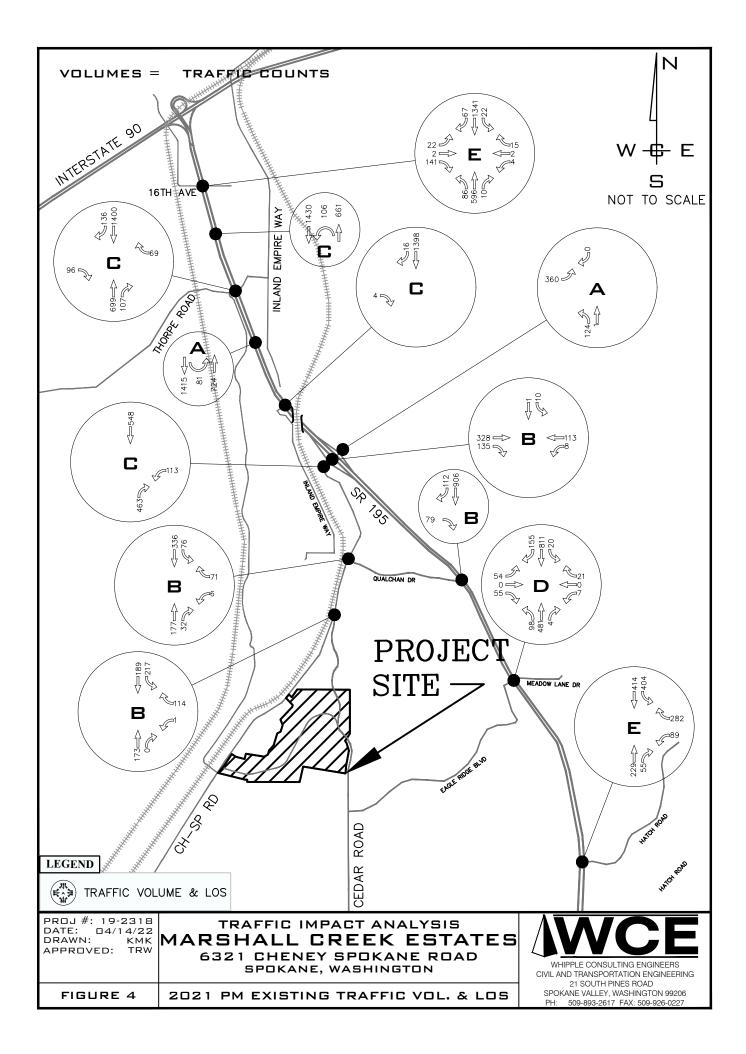
The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and level of service E as the minimum acceptable level for unsignalized intersections.

As shown in Table 3, the intersections are currently operating at an acceptable level of service.

Engineer's Note

The crossover movement of the "J-turn" has been modeled to follow the left turn movement as described within the HCM and includes a complimentary right turn movement that models the acceleration and merge of the redirected traffic. It is my professional opinion that this methodology most accurately matches the actual operation and delay experienced by drivers of the J-turn movement. For this model, the default value of 4.5 seconds of gap acceptance was used. For this study, the default value has proved sufficient. However, per the recommendation of Chapter 20 of the HCM, if local value of gap acceptance is determined, then the local data should be used. The result of a lower value would be a decrease in average delay and an improvement to the intersection level of service.





Future Year Traffic Impact Analysis

The build out year (2026) analysis are requirement, per the scope of TIA meeting. Three scenarios were examined for the build out year (2026) analysis. The first scenario assumes that the existing traffic volumes as shown on Figures 3 & 4 experience an increase above the existing volumes at the established background rate. The second scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward and analyzes the scoped intersections with the background growth rate and the background project trips as shown on Figures 7 & 8. The third scenario assumes that the development has moved forward and analyzes the scoped intersection with the background growth rate growth rate, the background projects, and the project trips as shown on Figures 11 & 12. These scenarios will allow a determination to be made as to what the future conditions may be both with/without the background project trips and with/without the project trips.

Background Traffic Growth

Background traffic growth is an anticipated increase in traffic volume from year to year. As the existing land uses that surround a transportation facility mature, an increase in traffic results and may be due to either an increase in drivers per household or a household's purchase of an additional vehicle. Many things can cause an increase in the traffic volumes of a facility. The objective of the background traffic growth rate is to anticipate what the traffic volumes may be in the future. The background traffic growth rate for an area or street is determined by means of physical counts collected by local governmental agencies. The counts are compared on a yearly basis and a rate of increase is calculated from the data.

The background growth rate was determined to be 1.0% per year. Based on a five-year build out, compounded annually, the total increase in traffic rate for the year 2026 is anticipated to be 1.051.

Public/Private Improvement Projects (Safety/Redirection)

Within the SR 195 Corridor there are multiple improvement projects proposed and conditioned within the decisions of the background projects. These improvements are anticipated to maintain acceptable level of service, promote the redirection of trips from the 1-90/SR 195 Eastbound ramp and also repair a bridge which will have the result of widening the roadway, which will allow for a separation of lanes. These improvement projects are listed here by position from the north to the south along the corridor:

SR 195 & 16th Avenue (Redirection)

As a part of the Wheatland Estates Study the intersection of SR 195 & 16th Avenue is an at grade intersection with SR 195. The improvement project proposes restricting the eastbound movement from a left-through-right lane to a channelized right turn only lane, with an acceleration lane. This project improves safety by removing competing and conflicting movements within the median, improves intersection level of service to an acceptable level and promotes the redistribution of I-90 bound trips as those trips must travel south past Thorpe Rd to the J-turn to then return to 16th Avenue and then to I-90.

SR 195 & Thorpe Rd (Redirection)

As a part of the Summit Development and the Tangle Ridge Development the intersection of SR 195 & Thorpe Road is an at grade intersection with SR 195 with north and south J-turns. The improvement project consists of a directional sign with flashing beacons. The sign provides drivers alternate routes to the downtown core and the South Hill. The flashing beacons are to be activated when the ramp meter signal at the I-90/SR 195 Eastbound Ramp is active, providing additional driver information prior to the Thorpe Exit. The project promotes the redirection of I-90 eastbound trips by offering alternative time saving routes.

SR 195 & Inland Empire Way (Redirection)

This is a temporary solution to connect just a Northbound route of Cheney-Spokane Road to Inland Empire Way. This project has not been conditioned by a project yet. This improvement projects extends the SR 195 northbound onramp at Cheney-Spokane Road further along SR 195 under the railroad bridge. The on ramp is separated from SR 195 by a barrier wall. After the railroad bridge the inland Empire way Exit would be restored, thus creating the northbound link. For SR 195 bound trips they would proceed on the ramp that would then merge onto SR 195. A secondary component would be the installation of a ramp meter just before this junction. The project promotes the redistribution of downtown and south hill destination trips to the alternative route of Inland Empire Way. The installation of the ramp meter further encourages the alternate route by increasing travel time.

SR 195 & Meadowlane (Safety)

The improvement project as describe within the traffic analysis for the Summit and Wheatland Estates Developments has been revised with a recent application for a federal grant by the City of Spokane and WSDOT. The concept improvement project would mitigate the current safety concerns of this at grade crossing, as documented within this study. As shown in Exhibit A provided by the City of Spokane, the western access with its short roadway connection and the northbound left turn lane are proposed to be closed and the pavement surface removed per WSDOT standards. Eagle Ridge Boulevard is proposed to be extended to SR 195 and creates a new at grade connection that includes a channelized southbound right turn lane with deceleration lane that sweeps away from the highway to then become part of the westbound approach of the intersection of Eagle Ridge Boulevard & Meadowlane. The eastbound approach includes a left and right turn lane. The eastbound left turn movement is proposed to enter an acceleration lane located within the median. The eastern approach of Meadowlane is to remain and rearranged. At the north end of the intersection is proposed as a J-turn crossover. The crossover of the J-turn not only provides for the original northbound left turn trips of the intersection but would also provide for the directional redirection of the Hatch Road westbound left turns. This project improves safety by removing competing and conflicting movements within the median and improves intersection level of service to an acceptable level.

SR 195 & Hatch Road (Safety)

Per the Six Year Comprehensive Street Program (2021 - 2026), the City of Spokane includes the reconstruction of the Hatch Bridge deck to perpetuate the existing functionality. The project expands the roadway width and increases the storage length of the westbound right turn lane. This improvement is anticipated to increase intersection capacity and improve intersection level of service. However, this improvement is not anticipated to alleviate the growing safety concerns

of the at grade crossing as expressed by WSDOT and the City of Spokane. With the installation of a J-turn crossover north of Meadowlane it is anticipated that the westbound approach could then be restricted to a right-out movement with the reconfiguration of the median to deny the westbound left turn movement while maintaining the southbound left turn movement. With this improvement, the westbound left turns would be redirected to travel north a mile distance before crossing over the median at the proposed J-turn of Meadowlane. These trips would then travel south back through the intersection.



Exhibit A – SR 195 & Meadowlane Road/Eagle Ridge Boulevard (Proposed by COS)

FUTURE ANALYSIS WITH BACKGROUND TRAFFIC GROWTH

Year 2026 with Background Traffic Growth

This scenario assumes that the existing traffic volumes experience an increase above the existing volumes at the established background rate. The traffic volumes for this condition include the existing traffic, as shown on Figures 3 & 4, multiplied by the background growth rate for year 2026(1.051). Please see Figures 5 & 6 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the Level of Service results is shown in the following table. This scenario creates a future year baseline that allows for a direct comparison of the with background project scenario.

Intersection		ak Hour	PM Peak Hour		
	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized		LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS
SR 195 & 16th Avenue	U	48.4	Е	58.6	F
 RO only on EB Approach 	(U)	(23.4)	(C)	(14.5)	(B)
SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue	U	13.0	В	21.0	С
• SR 195 & North J-Turn Crossover*	U	9.2	А	18.2	С
0 (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(9.0)	(A)	(20.7)	(B)
 SR 195 & South J-Turn Crossover^{**} 	U	23.5	С	10.1	В
0 (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(23.1)	(B)	(11.1)	(A)
SR 195 & Inland Empire Way	U	10.8	В	15.7	С
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps	U	9.1	А	9.1	А
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (1)	U	23.0	С	14.2	В
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (2)	U	10.9	В	16.6	С
Ch-Sp Road & Qualchan Drive	U	16.3	С	10.6	В
SR 195 & Qualchan Drive	U	10.2	В	13.3	В
Ch-Sp Road & Cedar Road	U	10.1	В	11.3	В
SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive***	U	37.5	Е	35.1	Е
 Eagle Ridge Blvd Connection w/ SR 195 					
• North J-Turn ^{****}	(U)	(9.0)	(A)	(14.5)	(B)
- (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(8.3)	(A)	(16.0)	(B)
 SR 195 & Meadowlane Road 	(U)	(14.6)	(B)	(12.0)	(B)
 SR 195 & Eagle Ridge Boulevard 	(U)	(16.8)	(C)	(21.7)	(C)
SR 195 & Hatch Road*****	U	22.7	С	58.5	F
• RO only on WB Approach******	(U)	(20.2)	(C)	(12.1)	(B)

Table 4 – Year 2026 Level of Service, with Background Traffic Growth (Figure 5&6)

*North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.2 veh (5 ft), PM: 1.3 veh (33 ft)

**South J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 2.0 veh (50 ft), PM: 0.4 veh (10 ft)

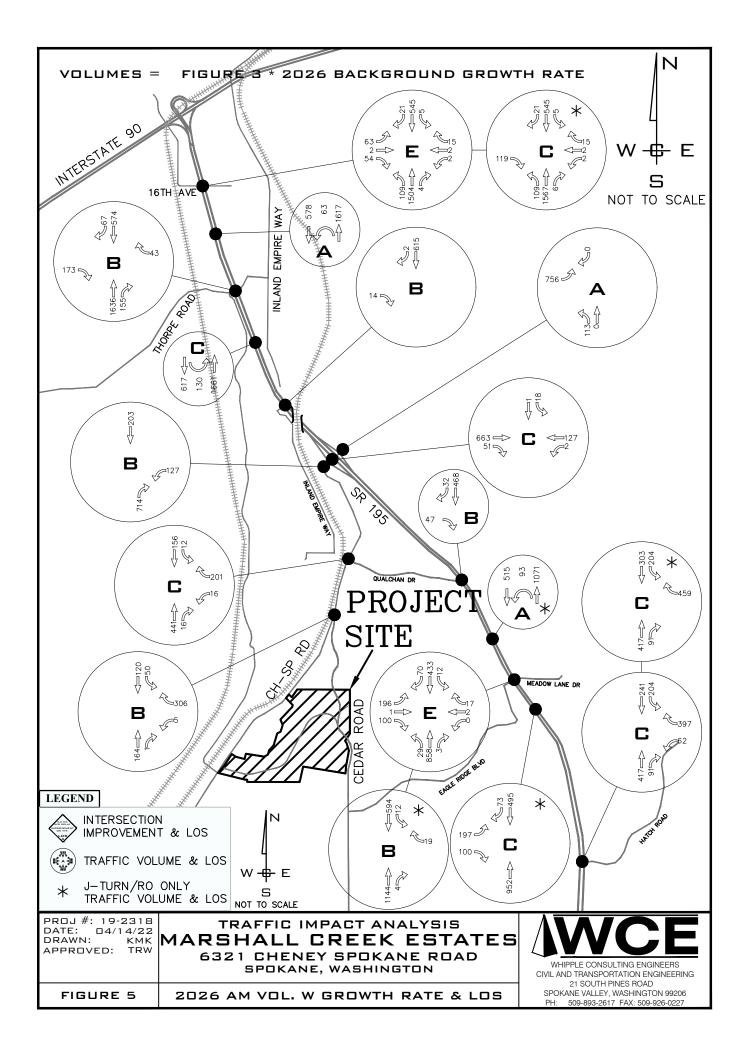
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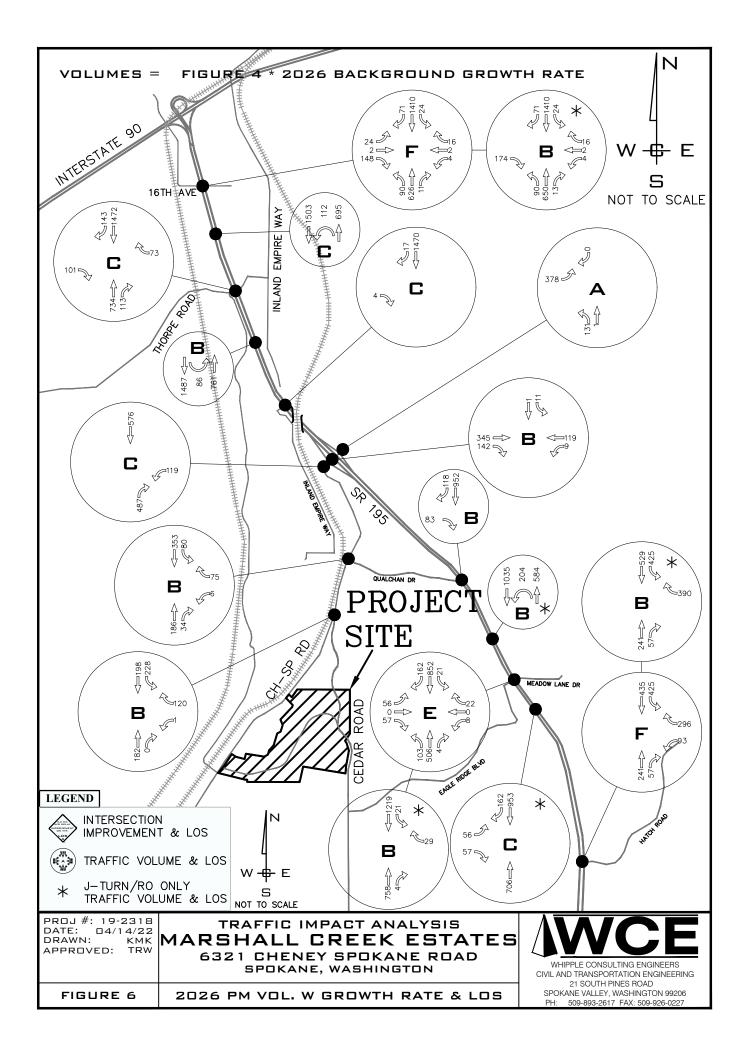
*****North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.3 veh (8 ft), PM: 1.7 veh (43 ft)

*****Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB LT-AM:4.2 veh (105ft), PM:3.3 veh (83ft) *****Right-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB RT-AM:5.9veh(148ft), PM:2.3veh(58ft)

The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and level of service E as the minimum acceptable level for unsignalized intersections.

As shown in Table 4, the intersections are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service except the intersections of SR 195 & 16th Avenue and SR 195 & Hatch Road. With the reconfiguration on eastbound approach to a right out only, the intersection of SR 195 & 16th Avenue is anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service. With the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only with the proposed J turn at Meadowlane Road, the intersection of SR 195 & Hatch Road is anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service.



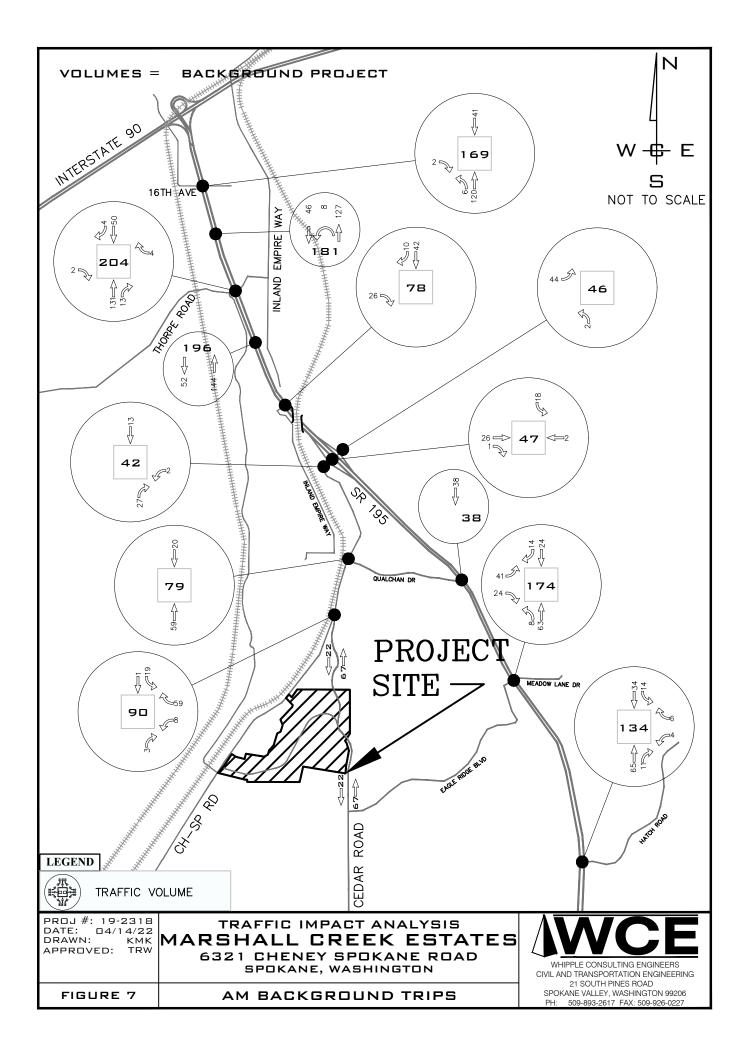


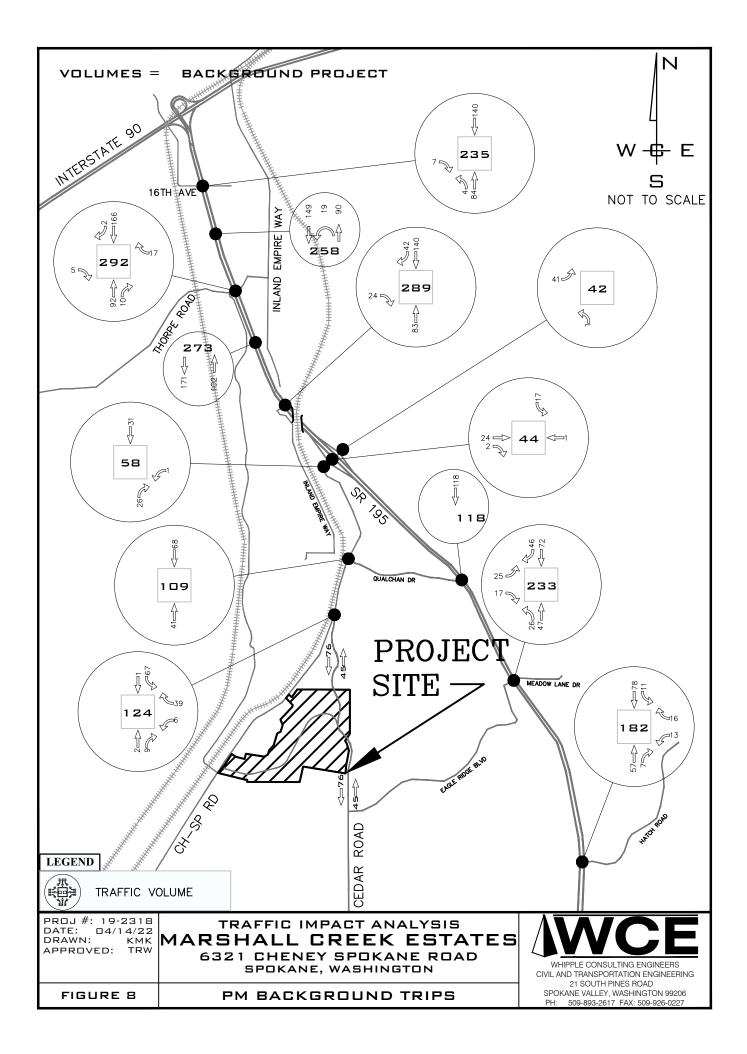
Background Project Traffic

In addition to the natural increase in background growth, background projects that have already been approved or have made application and have been vested before this project have been included. The summary of background project traffic volumes used for this report are shown on Table 5. Please see Figures 7 & 8 for a graphical representation of this distribution.

Deelygnound	Land Use (ITE LUC)		AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips		
Background Projects		Unit	Vol. / LUC	Directional Distribution		Vol. / LUC	Directional Distribution	
				In	Out	LUC	In	Out
Eagle Ridge 13 th Addition	Single-Family (210)	104	77	19	58	103	65	38
The Summit	Single-Family (210)	99	74	19	55	99	62	37
Tangle Ridge	Single-Family (210)	45	34	8	26	45	28	17
Wheatland Estates	Single-Family (210)	200	148	37	111	198	125	73
Latah Glen	Mobile Home (240)	157	36	10	26	66	42	24
	Total		369	93	276	511	322	189

 Table 5 – Summary of the Background Project Trip Generation (Figure 7&8)





Year 2026 with the Background Projects and without the Project

This scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward. The traffic volumes for this condition include the traffic volumes shown on Figures 5 & 6 and adds the traffic from the background projects as shown on Figures 7 & 8. Please see Figures 9 & 10 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the Level of Service results is shown in the following table.

INTERSECTION		AM Pea	ık Hour	PM Peak Hour		
	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized		LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS	
SR 195 & 16th Avenue	U	62.9	F	102.3	F	
 RO only on EB Approach 	(U)	(26.3)	(D)	(15.9)	(C)	
SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue	U	13.5	В	25.2	D	
 SR 195 & North J-Turn Crossover[*] 	U	9.4	А	23.0	С	
o (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(9.7)	(A)	(22.9)	(B)	
• SR 195 & South J-Turn Crossover**	U	28.8	D	10.7	В	
0 (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(24.9)	(B)	(12.4)	(B)	
SR 195 & Inland Empire Way	U	11.3	В	18.1	С	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps	U	9.1	А	9.1	А	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (1)	U	26.8	D	15.1	С	
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (2)	U	11.1	В	17.4	С	
Ch-Sp Road & Qualchan Drive	U	18.3	С	11.1	В	
SR 195 & Qualchan Drive	U	10.4	В	14.3	В	
Ch-Sp Road & Cedar Road	U	11.3	В	13.6	В	
SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive***	U	65.9	F	60.6	F	
• Eagle Ridge Blvd Connection w/ SR 195						
• North J-Turn****	(U)	(9.2)	(A)	(18.1)	(C)	
- (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(8.9)	(A)	(18.1)	(B)	
 SR 195 & Meadowlane Road 	(U)	(15.7)	(C)	(12.7)	(B)	
 SR 195 & Eagle Ridge Boulevard 	(U)	(19.7)	(C)	(28.0)	(D)	
SR 195 & Hatch Road ^{*****}	U	26.9	D	91.4	F	
• RO only on WB Approach*****	(U)	(24.1)	(C)	(13.3)	(B)	

Table 6 – Year 2026 LOS, with the Background Projects and without the Project (Fig. 9&10)

*North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.3 veh (8 ft), PM: 2.0 veh (50 ft) **South J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 2.5 veh (63 ft), PM: 0.4 veh (10 ft)

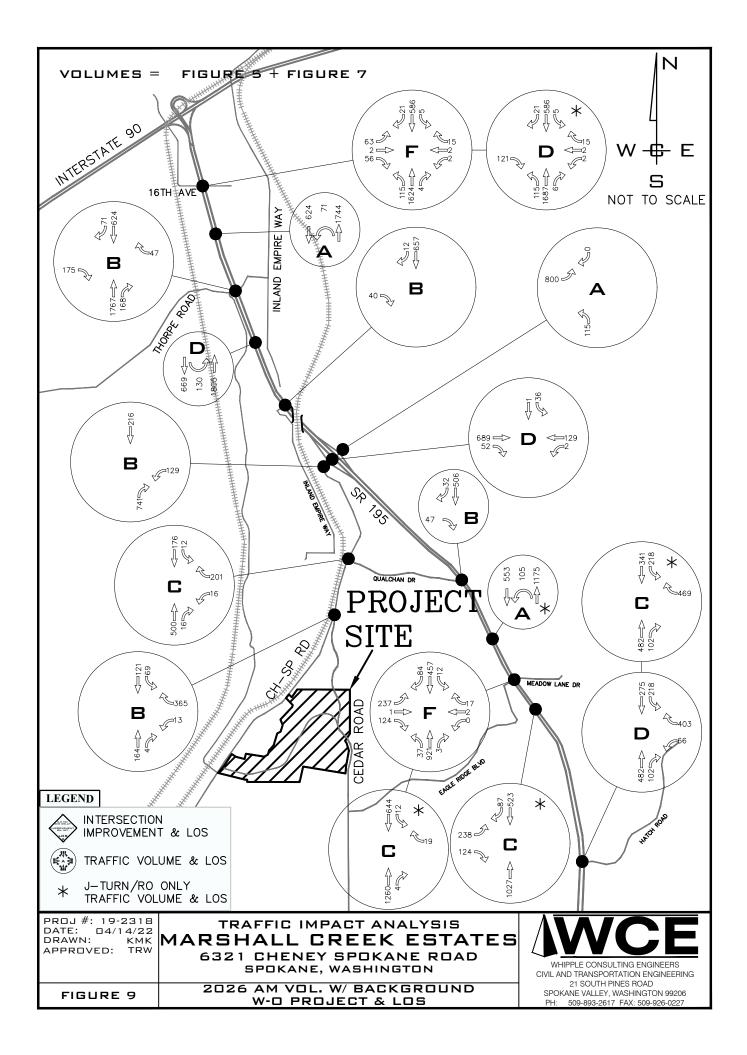
***Left-Turn Movement on EB Approach

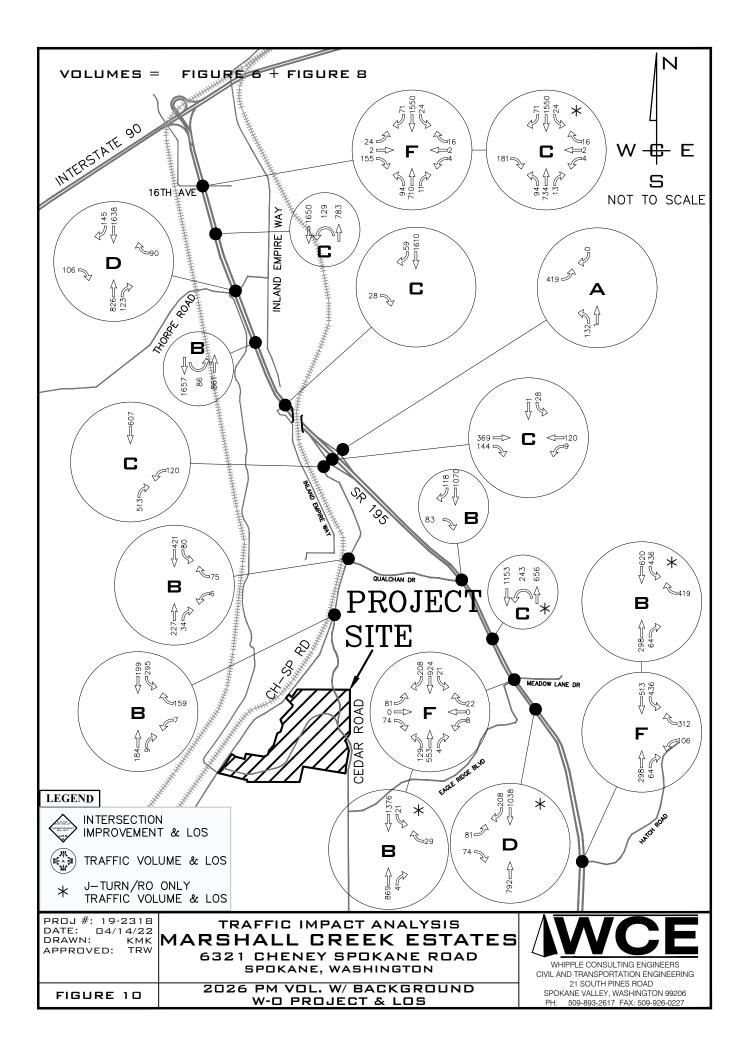
****North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.4 veh (10 ft), PM: 2.7 veh (68 ft)

*****Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB – AM: 4.8 veh(120ft), PM: 4.8 veh(120ft) ******Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB – AM: 7.1 veh(180ft), PM: 2.8 veh(70ft)

The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and level of service E as the minimum acceptable level for unsignalized intersections.

As shown in Table 6, all intersections are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service except the intersections of SR 195 & 16th Avenue, SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive, and SR 195 & Hatch Road. As discussed in the with background traffic growth scenario, with the improvements, the intersections of SR 195 & 16th Avenue, SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive, and SR 195 & 195 & Hatch Road are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service.





FUTURE ANALYSIS WITH BACKGROUND PROJECTS & THE PROJECT

Trip Generation and Distribution

As noted earlier, trip generation rates for the AM and PM peak hours are determined by the use of the *Trip Generation Manual*, 10th Edition published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). The purpose of the *Trip Generation Manual* is to compile and quantify empirical data into trip generation rates for specific land uses within the US, UK and Canada.

Proposed Land Use

For the proposed 425 units of single family residential development, Land Use Code (LUC) #210, Single Family Detached Housing was used to establish the number of potential trips generated by the proposed land use for the single family residential lots. The trip generation rates and the anticipated number of AM and PM peak hour trips for the single family residential land use are shown on Table 7.

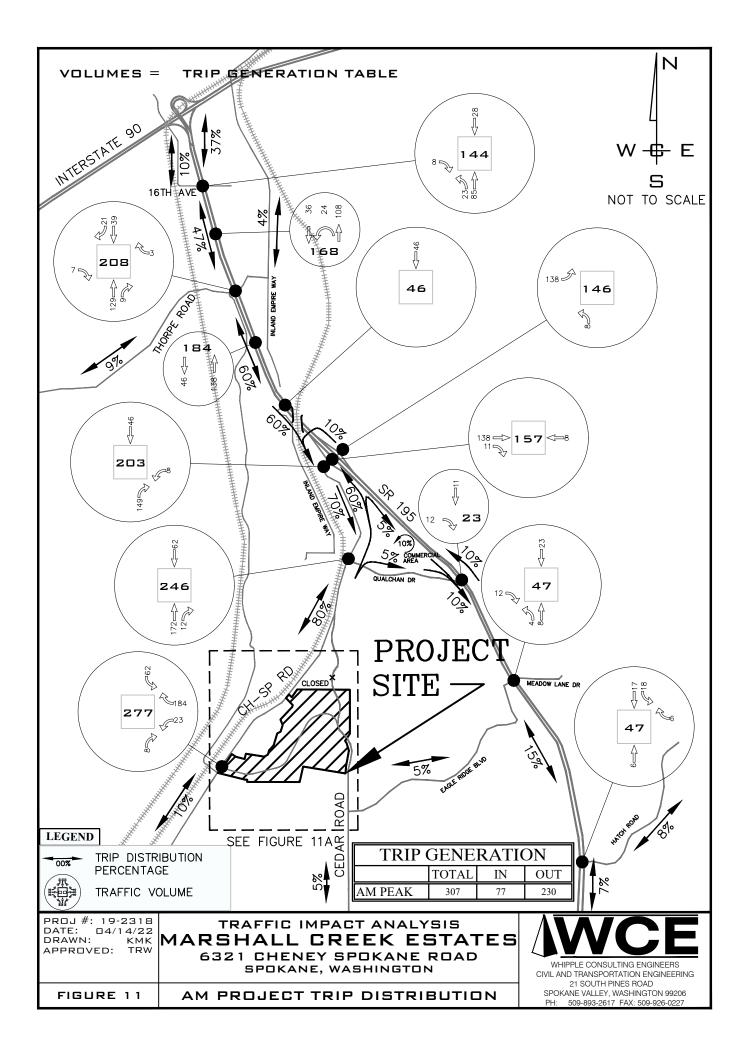
	AM Pea	k Hour Tri	ps	PM Peak Hour Trips			
Dwelling	Vol. @ Fitted	Directional		Vol. @ Fitted	Dire	ctional	
Units	Curve Equation	Distribution		Curve Equation	Distr	ibution	
	/ Unit	25% In 75% Out		/ Unit	63% In	37% Out	
425	307	77	230	407	256	151	
A	verage Daily Trip	Ends (AD	Г)	Fitted Curve Equation			
Units	Fitted Curv	ve	ADT	AM - T = 0.71(x) + 4.80 PM - L = (T) = 0.0 (L = (x) + 0.20)			
425	25		3,936	PM - Ln(T) = 0.96 Ln(x) + 0.20 ADT - Ln(T) = 0.92 Ln(x) + 2.71			
423	-		3,930	T = Trips/units, x = Dwelling Units			

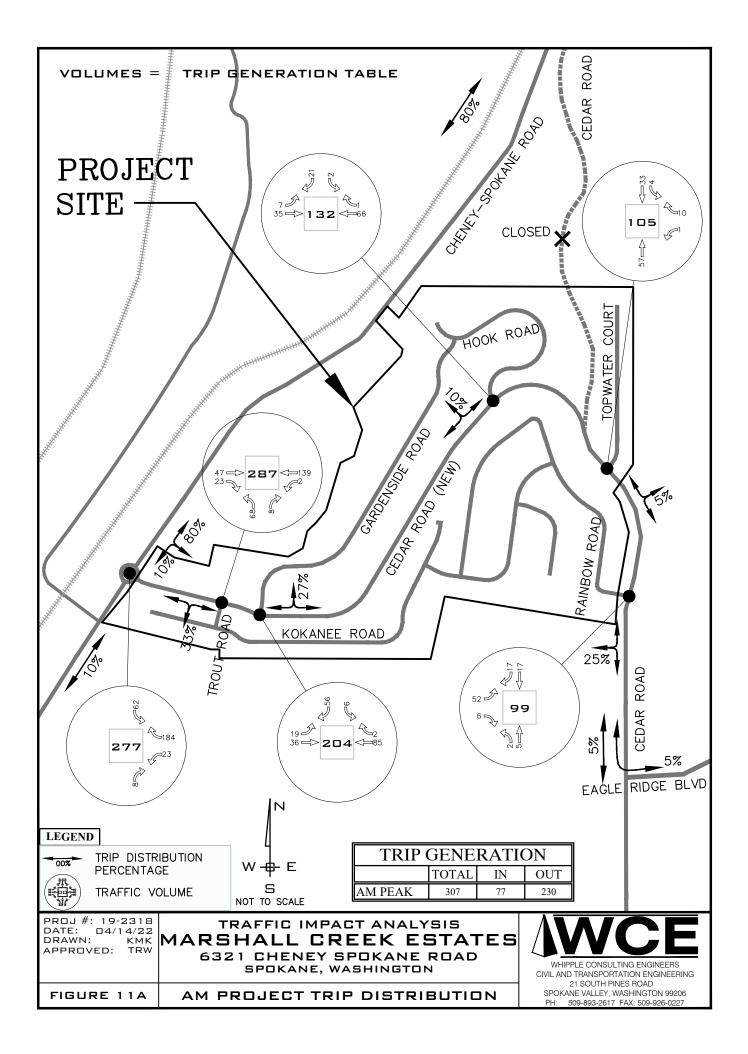
Table 7 - Trip Generation Rates for LUC # 210–Single Family Detached Housing (Fig. 11&12)

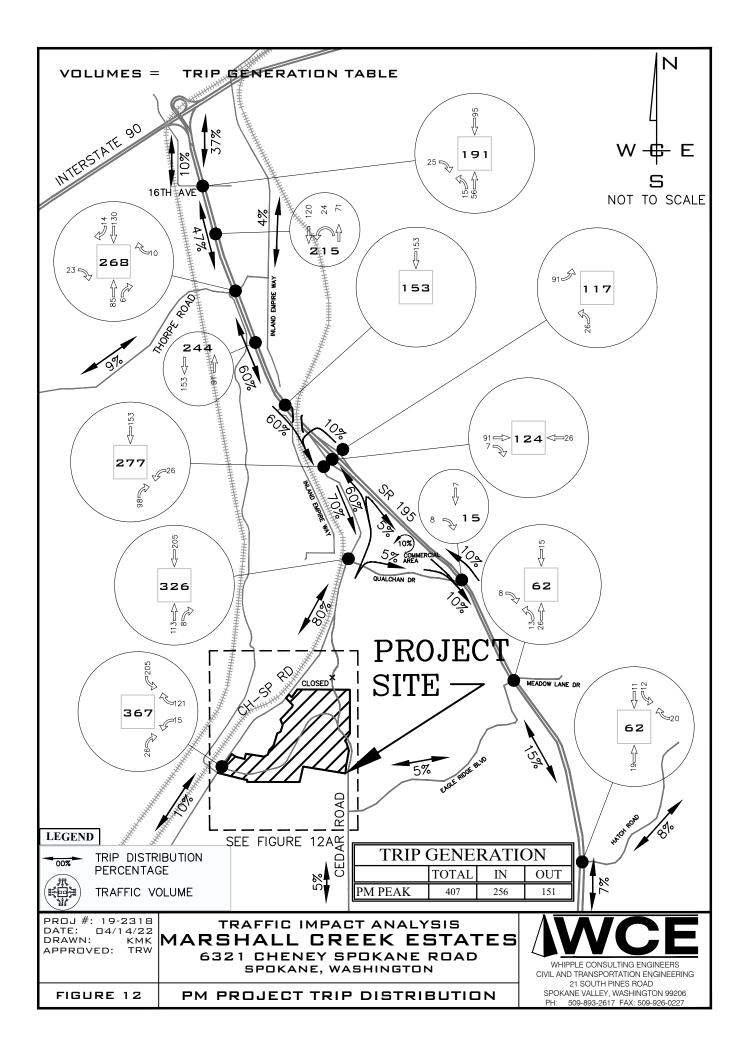
As shown in Table 7, the proposed land uses are anticipated to generate a total of 307 trips in the AM peak hour with 77 trips entering the site and 230 trips exiting the site. In the PM peak hour, the proposed land use is anticipated to generate a total of 407 trips in the PM peak hour with 256 trips entering the site and 151 trips exiting the site. The proposed land use is anticipated to generate 3,936 average daily trips to/from the project. Please see Figures 11 & 12 for Trip Distribution.

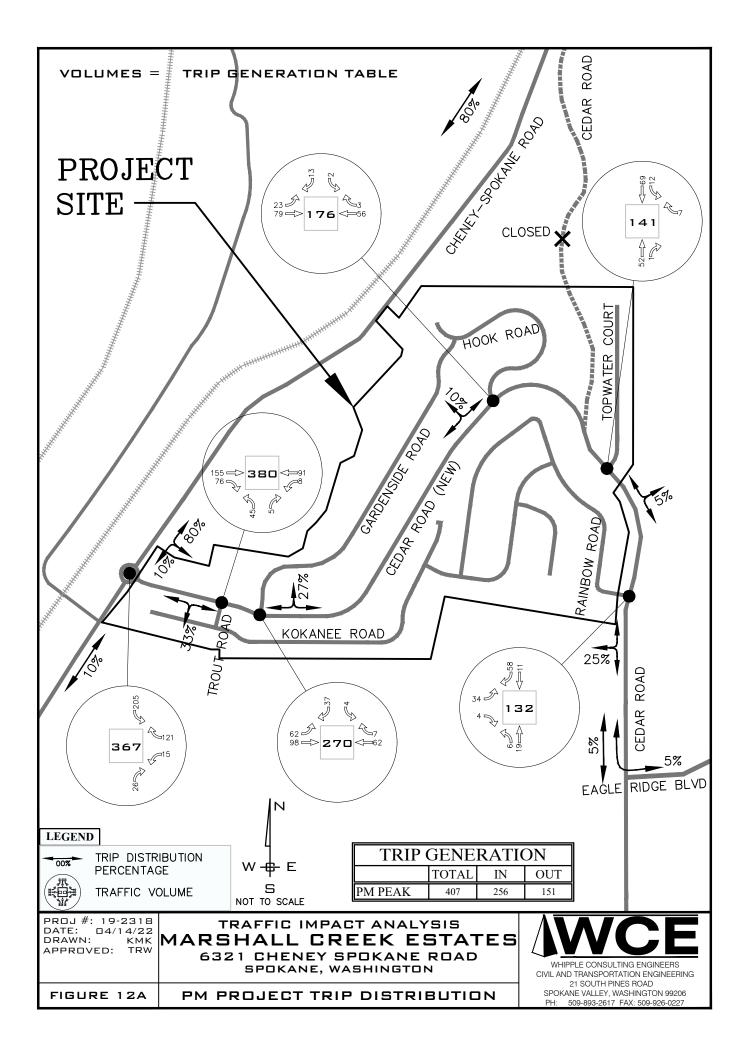
Trip Distribution Characteristics of the Proposed Project

Considering many factors such as the surrounding transportation facilities, typical commuting patterns, existing development in the area, and Average Daily Traffic counts, traffic for the proposed development is anticipated as follows: 5% of trips are anticipated to go to/from the south and east via Cedar and Eagle Ridge Boulevard, 30% of trips are anticipated to go to/from the south via Cheney-Spokane Road, and 65% of trips are anticipated to go to/from the north via Cheney-Spokane Road with 15% trips traveling south via SR 195 and 50% trips traveling north via SR 195. Of the 50% trips to/from the north on SR195, 10% trips are anticipated to go to/from the east and north via Thorpe Road & Inland Empire Way, 25% trips are anticipated to go to/from the 5% trips traveling on Eagle Ridge Boulevard will join the 15% trips traveling south via SR 195 for a total of 20% of trips traveling south on SR 195 where 10% trips will go to/from the east via Hatch Road and 10% trips will continue to go to/from the south via SR 195. Please see Figures 11 &12 for a visual representation of the project trip distribution.









Year 2026 with the Background Projects and the Project

This scenario assumes that the project has moved forward and is added to the previously established baseline. The traffic volume for this condition includes the traffic volumes shown on Figures 9 & 10 and adds the project trips as shown on Figures 11 & 12. Please see Figures 13 & 14 for the traffic volumes used for this scenario. A summary of the Level of Service results is shown in the following table.

INTERSECTION	AM Pea	ık Hour	PM Peak Hour		
(U)nsigna	(S)ignalized (U)nsignalized (R)oundabout				LOS
SR 195 & 16th Avenue	U	74.2	F	176.8	F
◦ RO only on EB Approach	(U)	(29.8)	(D)	(17.6)	(C)
SR 195 & Thorpe Avenue	U	14.2	В	33.6	D
• SR 195 & North J-Turn Crossover [*]	U	9.8	А	31.0	D
0 (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(10.5)	(A)	(24.8)	(B)
• SR 195 & South J-Turn Crossover ^{**}	U	36.1	Е	11.3	В
o (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(26.7)	(C)	(13.6)	(B)
SR 195 & Inland Empire Way	U	11.6	В	20.0	С
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 NB on/off Ramps	U	9.1	А	9.2	А
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (1)	U	36.6	Е	17.8	С
Ch-Sp Road & SR 195 SB on/off Ramps (2)	U	11.8	В	25.4	D
Ch-Sp Road & Qualchan Drive	U	28.3	D	13.1	В
SR 195 & Qualchan Drive	U	10.5	В	14.6	В
Ch-Sp Road & Cedar Road (Proposed)	R	5.2	А	5.1	А
Cedar Road & Trout Road (Proposed)	U	15.4	С	17.3	С
Cedar Road & Gardenside Road (Proposed)	U	12.4	В	10.5	В
Cedar Road & Hook Road (Proposed)	U	11.6	В	10.1	А
Cedar Road & Topwater Court (Proposed)	U	11.3	В	9.5	А
Cedar Road & Rainbow Road (Proposed)	U	12.6	В	13.1	В
SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive***	U	74.6	F	69.4	F
• Eagle Ridge Blvd Connection w/ SR 195					
• North J-Turn ^{****}	(U)	(9.3)	(A)	(19.2)	(C)
- (Merge – Average Density (pc/mi/ln))	(U)	(9.3)	(A)	(18.4)	(B)
 SR 195 & Meadowlane Road 	(U)	(15.8)	(C)	(13.0)	(B)
 SR 195 & Eagle Ridge Boulevard 	(U)	(20.7)	(C)	(28.7)	(D)
SR 195 & Hatch Road ^{*****}	U	26.6	D	91.4	F
• RO only on WB Approach*****	(U)	(25.2)	(D)	(13.9)	(B)

Table 8 – Year 2026 LOS, with the Background Projects and with the Project (Fig. 13&14)

*North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.4 veh (10 ft), PM: 3.2 veh (80 ft)

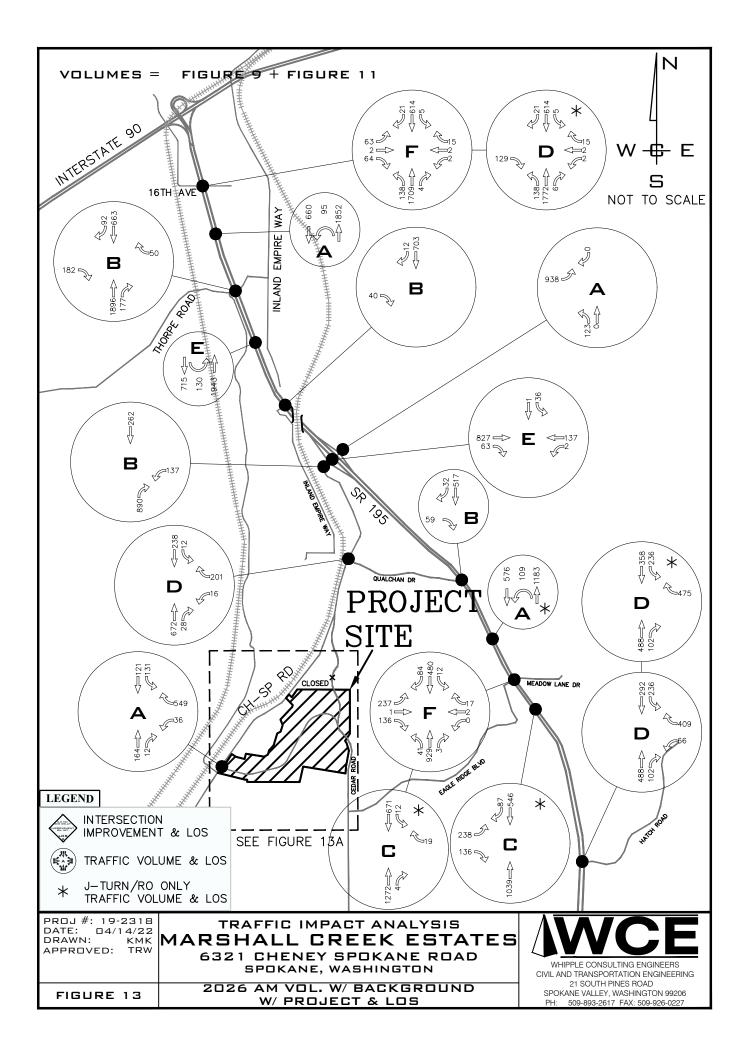
**South J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL - AM: 3.1 veh (78 ft), PM: 0.5 veh (13 ft)

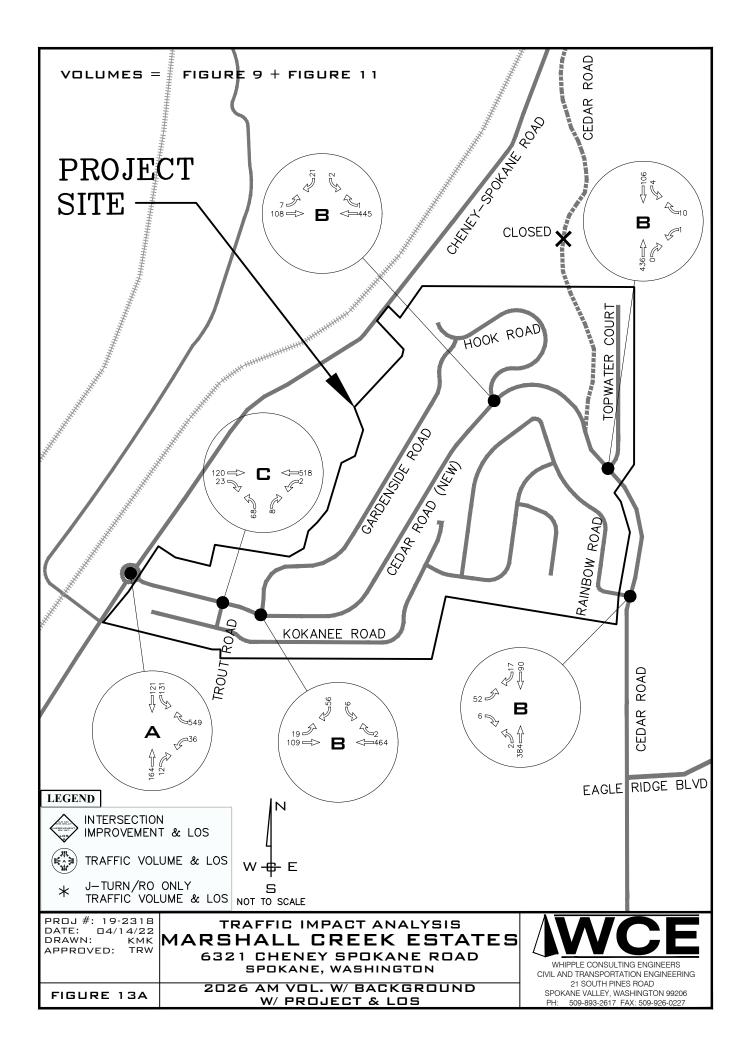
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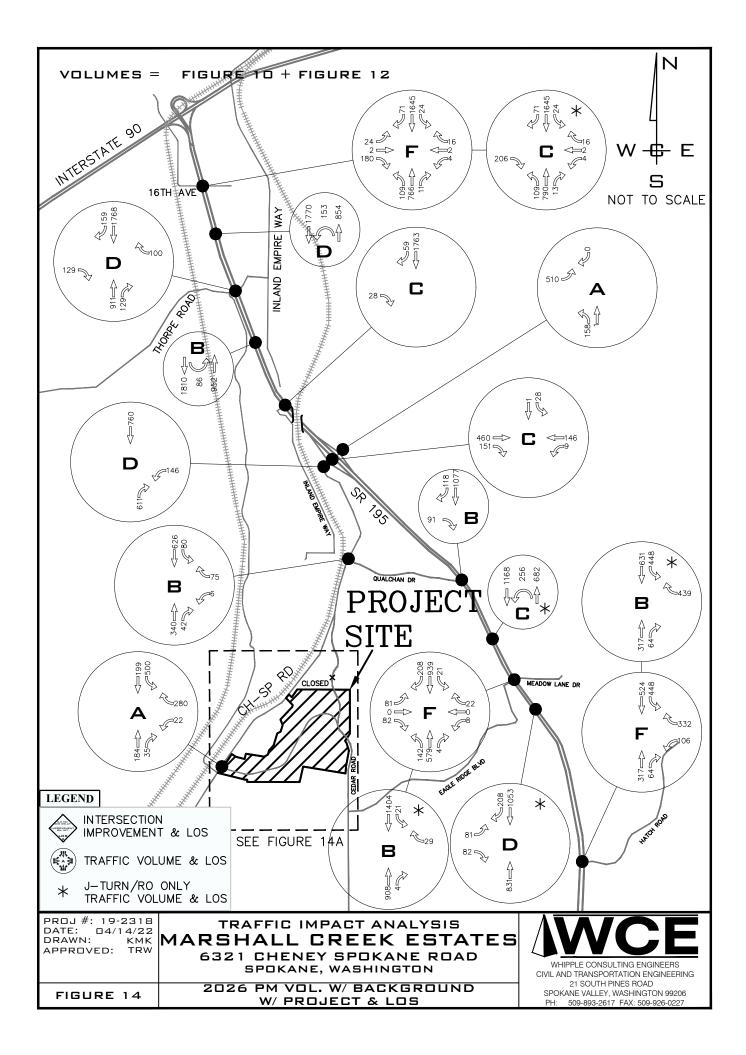
****North J-Turn: 95th %tile Q on WBL – AM: 0.4 veh (10 ft), PM: 3.1 veh (78 ft)

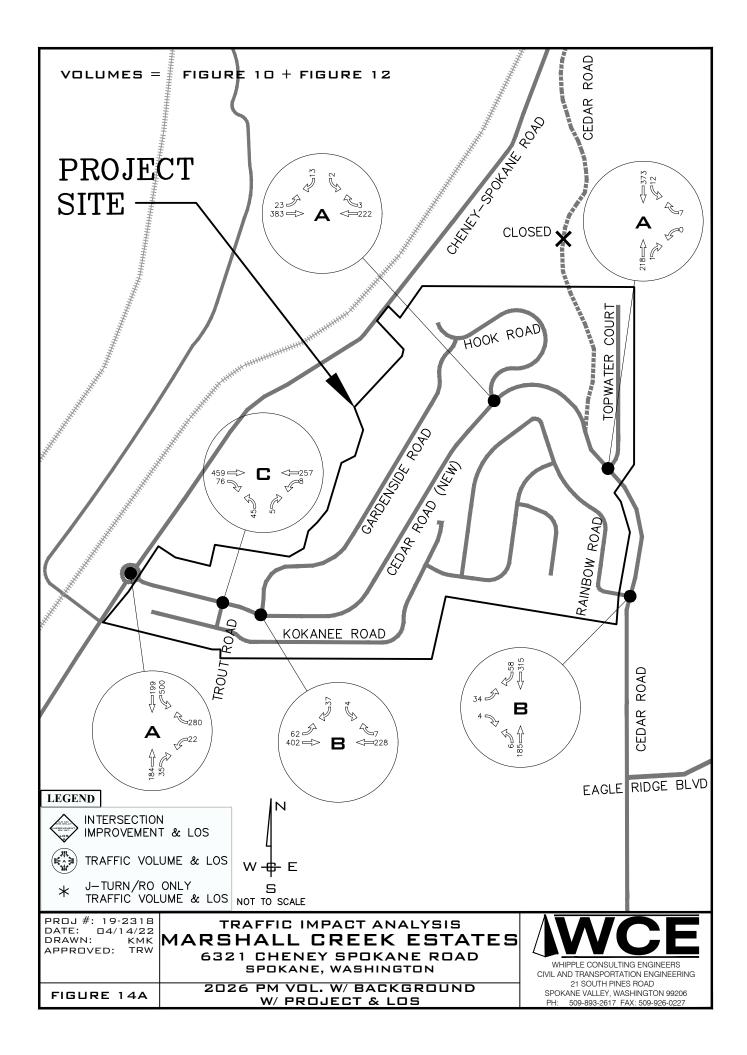
*****Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB – AM: 5.1 veh(128ft), PM: 5.1 veh(128ft) *****Left-Turn Movement on WB Approach: 95th %tile Q on WB – AM: 7.5 veh(188ft), PM: 3.2 veh(80ft) The City of Spokane and WSDOT have adopted level of service D as the minimum acceptable level for signalized intersections and level of service E as the minimum acceptable level for unsignalized intersections.

As shown in Table 8, with the improvements at SR 195 & 16th Avenue, SR 195 & Meadowlane Drive, and SR 195 & Hatch Road, all intersections are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service.









SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects.

Within the SR 195 Corridor for the past two years development projects have been conditioned by WSDOT to construct an improvement project(s) along the corridor with the goal to achieve a net zero balance in trips at the I-90/SR 195 Eastbound on ramp. The projects would essentially redirect existing and future traffic from the mainline, or as in the case of 16th Avenue redirect trips before they even get onto SR 195. This redirection of trips would reduce traffic volumes so that there would be room for the future I-90 Eastbound trips. Typically, those trips that have a destination to the east of the City of Spokane, and is truly an intra state trip.

As shown in the previous analysis section the Northbound SR 195 to Eastbound I-90 Ramp it was concluded that the project trips would have a minimal impact on the ramp as the capacity of the ramp, with the ramp meter has been reached. So, these improvement projects would have an additional improvement to the operation of the corridor as a whole. The following are descriptions of the improvement projects:

16th Avenue – EB Turn restrictions. The improvement project places a raised island, that channelizes all eastbound trips as a right turn, southbound movement onto SR 195. The project also includes an acceleration lane before a merge section. By restricting the eastbound left turn movement, a portion of the trips that originate from the intersection of Sunset Highway & Government Way and 14th Avenue & Lindke Street, would by an increase in time and effort would be redirected toward sunset highway or seek I-90 connections outside of the downtown core. This improvement project has currently been included as a condition in the Wheatland Estates project.

Thorpe Road Exit – Flashing Beacon and Sign. The improvement project placed a directional sign before the Thorpe Road Northbound Exit. The sign provides direction toward the City Center and the South Hill via Inland Empire Way. There is also a flashing beacon sign that is activated when the ramp meter signal is operating. The flashing beacon provides drivers with advance warning of additional delay. It is believed that with advance warning, drivers bound for the City Center or the South Hill would opt to exit at Thorpe Road and take this alternate route to their destination. It is anticipated that the presence and operation of this improvement would redirect **5%** of traffic volumes from the mainline volumes. This improvement project is a condition of the Summit and Tangle Ridge Projects, the project has been privately funded, with an approved WSDOT design. The improvement was completed in the spring of 2021.

Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp – Connection to Inland Empire Way. This improvement project proposes to extend the northbound ramp further north along SR 195, underneath the existing railroad bridge to the original Inland Empire Way & Sr 195 intersection. From the original intersection the northbound on ramp will begin. For the extension SR 195 and the ramp will be separated by a WSDOT approved barrier wall. At the old intersection the connection to Inland Empire Way would be reestablished, providing an alternate route for traffic. It is anticipated that the presence of the route with appropriate signage would redirect 20% of traffic volumes from the on-ramp volumes.

In addition to the connection, it is proposed that a ramp meter signal be installed at the ramp with an appropriate queue length. Like the ramp meter at I-90, the additional time delay would redirect drivers bound for the City Center or the South Hill to the alternative route of Inland Empire Way. The improvement is anticipated to create better local connections and preserve the state facilities for intra City travel (City to City) as opposed to inter City travel (travel within the City) It is anticipated that the presence and operation of the ramp meter redirect **50%** of traffic volumes from the on-ramp volumes when in operation. It is anticipated that the ramp meter would operate at similar times as the ramp meter at I-90, thus preserving the capacity of both. As the Thorpe Road Sign project establishes a virtual link for operations, the two meters could be tied together to provide drivers with additional advance warning.

There has also been discussion of utilizing the WSDOT reader board to provide additional driver information. The sign is currently north of the Cheney Spokane Road Interchange. Its relocation south of the interchange may redirect trips bound for the City Center and the South Hill to exit at Cheney Spokane Road.

The following is an Exhibit of the anticipated trips that would be redirected by these improvement projects.

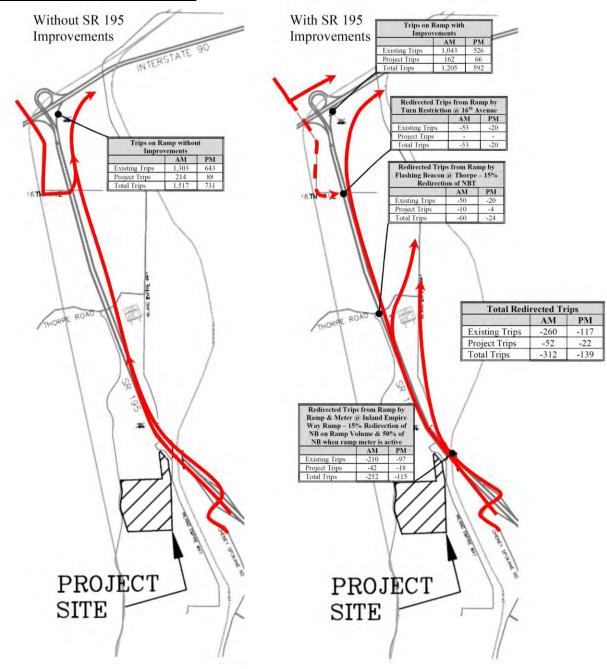


Exhibit B – Redirected Trips

As shown in the Exhibit based upon the anticipated percentages of redistribution, the three improvement projects have the potential to remove 363 existing AM peak hour and 157 PM peak hour trips from the I-90/ SR 195 Northbound to Eastbound Ramp. This redirection of trips forms the basis for no additional trips on the ramp. For convenience the anticipated trips from this project (Marshall Creek) that may be redirected is highlighted in yellow.

			R	edirecte	d Trips	d Trips from Ramp by SR 195 Projects						
	Original Trips on Ramp		I urn Flashing Empire Frips on Restriction Beacon @ Empire		Total		Trips on Ramp after Redirection					
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Existing Trips on Ramp	1,303	643	-53	-20	-50	-20	-210	-97	-313	-137	990	506
Summit	22	17	-	-	-1	-1	-4	-3	-5	-4	17	13
Wheatland	50	9	-	-	-2	0	-10	-2	-12	-2	38	7
Tangle Ridge	10	7	-	-	-1	0	-2	-1	-3	-1	7	6
Latah Glen	13	5	-	-	-1	0	-3	-1	-4	-1	9	4
Qualchan View	42	14	-	-	-2	-1	-8	-3	-10	-4	32	10
Greens @ Meadowlane	5	3	-	-	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	4	2
Marshall Creek	72	33	-	-	-3	-2	-14	-7	-17	-9	55	24
Project Total	214	88	0	0	-10	-4	-42	-18	-52	-22	162	66
Total	1,517	731	-53	-20	-60	-24	-252	-115	-365	-159	1,152	572
Difference betwee	en Redir	rected E	xisting '	Trips &	Total Pi	oject Tr	rips on R	amp aft	er Redir	rection	-151	-71

Table 9 – Corridor Project Trip Summary – With Improvement Credit

As shown in Table 9 the corridor projects after redirection from the improvement projects are anticipated to total 162 AM Trips and 66 PM peak hour trips. With the credit from the improvement projects there would no additional trips on the ramps and also still be additional capacity for future projects within the corridor.

Improvement Project Timing

In regard to the timing of each improvement project a separate report is anticipated to be completed. This report would consider the corridor projects buildout schedule by year, the anticipated credit of each improvement, and when each improvement project would need to be implemented to maintain no additional trips on the ramp.

Conclusion

It is concluded that with the improvement projects that a significant number of trips would be redirected away from the NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp, and that the net result would be no additional trips to the ramp.

Highway Segment LOS and Queue Analysis

WSDOT has requested within the scope that an analysis of the SR 195 NB Ramp and I-90 Interchange be included. For a highway interchange there is not a single level of service model like a standard intersection but the analysis of multiple elements, and then the review by a transportation professional to determine acceptance and/or impact. These elements include the ramp queue length, the ramp merge area, and the I-90 freeway segment. These elements have been analyzed for the current condition, the future year 2026 without the project with the 1.0% background growth rate and the background projects, and the future year 2026 with the project, with the 1.0% background growth rate and the background projects.

NB SR 195 Ramp Configurations

NB SR 195 Ramp has 2-lanes, each with 500 ft (20 vehicles per lane) of storage. The vehicle release method is alternating green phases. The WSDOT recommended maximum hourly rate and minimum hourly rate to avoid ramp queuing on NB SR 195 Ramp are maximum of 1200 vph (AM) & 800 vhp (PM) and minimum of 800 vph (AM) & 300 vph (PM).

Traffic Volumes Statement

With WSDOT's Open Bid to install Ramp Meters along I-90 at Hwy 2 as well as other ramps within the downtown core. These projected volumes are subject to change, to an unpredictable value. Also, with the change in volumes all analysis that utilizes these volumes will also be subject to change.

Traffic volumes for the year 2019 conditions were provided by WSDOT. Traffic volumes for the year 2021 existing conditions assumed that the 2019 traffic volumes experience an increase above the 2019 traffic volumes at the established background rate. Two scenarios were examined for the year 2026 analysis. The first scenario assumes that the development has not moved forward and analyzes the scoped intersections with the background growth rate & background projects (Amazon, The Summit, Tangle Ridge, Latah Glen, Greens at Meadowlane, Qualchan View, & Wheatland Estates). The second scenario assumes the same, but adds the project trips. These scenarios will allow a determination to be made as to what the future conditions may be both with and without the project. The redirection of traffic volumes from SR 195 EB ramp by SR 195 Corridor Improvement projects were also included for the with project and the without project scenario. The volumes used for this analysis are shown on the following Tables.

	2021 Ex	isting*	2026 W/ Ba Projec		Marshall	2026 W/ Background Projects & This Project**		
	W/O SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/ SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/O SR 195W/ SR 195CorridorCorridorIMPIMP		Creek Project	W/O SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/ SR 195 Corridor IMP	
I-90 Main	3,627	3,627	3,821	3,821	-	3,821	3,821	
SR 195 EB	1,303	990	1,511	1,147	72	1,583	1,202	

Table 11 –	PM Traffi	e Volumes	(vahicles	nor hour)
<i>Tuble</i> 11 –		c volumes	<i>(venicies</i>	per nourj

	2021 Ex	isting*	2026 W/ Ba Projec		Marshall	2026 W/ Background Projects & This Project**	
	W/O SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/ SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/O SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/ SR 195 Corridor IMP	Creek Project	W/O SR 195 Corridor IMP	W/ SR 195 Corridor IMP
I-90 Main	4,409	4,409	5,353	5,353	-	5,353	5,353
SR 195 EB	643	506	730	574	33	763	598

* Please see Table 9 for 2021 existing volumes on SR 195 EB

** 2026 traffic volumes adjusted from year 2021 to year 2026 via eastablish background growth rate(1.051)

<u>NB SR 195 Ramp Queue Length Analysis without SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects</u> Based upon the spreadsheet provided by WSDOT, the queue length analysis on NB SR 195 Ramp for the without SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects scenario has been updated. The summary of this scenario is shown in Table 12.

			Rumps-Queue tengin und	A	В	С	
		Sc	enario	2021 Existing	2026 without Project	2026 with Project	С - В
Traffic V	Volumes*		AM	1,303	1,511	1,583	72
(VI	PH)		PM	643	730	763	33
WSDO	T Ramp		AM	1,200	1,200	1,200	-
Existing Rate ({Future M	(VPH)	-	РМ	800	800 {500}	800 {500}	-
		Ma	ax. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	135	357	466	109
			Max. Queue Length (ft)	3,377	8,920	11,646	2,726
	AM	Q	ueue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
]	Excess Queue Length (ft)	2,377	7,920	10,646	2,726
		Т	ime of Day 1,000 ft Queue	7:35 AM –	6:47 AM –	6:46 AM –	
			Length is Exceeded	8:29 AM	8:59 AM	8:59 AM	-
		()	Max. Time of Exceedance)	(7:54 AM)	(8:12 AM)	(8:18 AM)	
		Μ	ax. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	12	17	19	2
Vehicles in the Oueue /	PM		Max. Queue Length (ft)	304	435	484	49
Max. Queue	(Meter	-	ueue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Length/	ing Rate:		Excess Queue Length (ft)	0	0	0	0
Queue Exceedance/ Times of Exceedance	800 VPH)		ime of Day 1,000 ft Queue Length is Exceeded Aax. Time of Exceedance))	-	-	-	-
		Ma	ax. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	-	582	675	93
	РМ		Max. Queue Length (ft)	-	14,548	16,887	2,339
	(Meter		ueue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
	ing]	Excess Queue Length (ft)	-	13,548	15,887	2,339
	Rate: 500 VPH)		ime of Day 1,000 ft Queue Length is Exceeded Max. Time of Exceedance)	-	3:15 PM – 5:59 PM (5:59 PM or After)	3:11 PM – 5:59 PM (5:59 PM or After)	-

 Table 12 - EB SR 195 Ramps-Queue length analysis without SR 195 IMP

*Traffic volumes without SR 195 IMP from Table 10 & 11

As shown in Table 12, the maximum queue length for all scenarios in AM peak are anticipated to exceed the current storage space (1,000 ft) and the durations with queue beyond the storage for all scenarios are anticipated to continue to after AM peak hour. In PM peak, maximum queue length for all scenarios are anticipated to stay within the current storage space (1,000 ft), however, with 500 vph metering rate (to improve LOS on I-90 segment), the maximum queue length for all future scenarios in PM peak are anticipated to exceed the current storage space and the durations with queue beyond the storage for all future scenarios in PM peak are anticipated to continue to after PM peak hour, as the demand volumes used for the future year are only a projection of future traffic volumes, we recommend that the volumes and the queue length be monitored over time.

NB SR 195 Ramp Queue Length Analysis with SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects

Based upon the spreadsheet provided by WSDOT, the queue length analysis on NB SR 195 Ramp for the with SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects scenario has been updated. The summary of this scenario is shown in Table 13.

		~~~~	A	В	С	
		Scenario	2021 Existing	2026 without Project	2026 with Project	С - В
Traffic V	Volumes'	AM	990	1,147	1,202	55
(VI	PH)	PM	506	574	598	24
WSDO	T Ramp	AM	1,200	1,200	1,200	-
Existing Rate ( {Future M	(VPH)	PM	800	800 {500}	800 {500}	-
		Max. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	8	55	80	25
		Max. Queue Length (ft)	196	1,364	2,010	646
	AM	Queue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
		Excess Queue Length (ft)	-	364	1,010	646
		Time of Day 1,000 ft Queue Length is Exceeded	-	7:50 AM – 7:58 AM	7:43 AM – 8:05 AM	-
		(Max. Time of Exceedance)		(7:53 AM)	(7:53 AM)	
** 1 * 1 *		Max. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	8	10	11	1
Vehicles in the Oueue /	PM	Max. Queue Length (ft)	190	261	287	26
Max. Queue	(Meter ing	Queue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Length/	Rate:	Excess Queue Length (ft)	-	-	-	-
Queue Exceedance/ Times of Exceedance	800 VPH)	Time of Day 1,000 ft Queue Length is Exceeded (Max. Time of Exceedance)	-	-	-	-
		Max. Vehicles in Queue (Veh)	-	138	206	68
	РМ	Max. Queue Length (ft)	-	3,450	5,147	1,697
	Meter	Queue Length Available (ft)	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
	ing	Excess Queue Length (ft)	-	2,450	4,147	1,697
	Rate: 500 VPH)	Time of Day 1,000 ft Queue Length is Exceeded (Max. Time of Exceedance)	-	3:47 PM – 5:59 PM (5:59 PM or After)	3:36 PM – 5:59 PM (5:59 PM or After)	-

Table 13 - EB SR 195 Ramps-Queue length analysis with SR 195 IMP

*Traffic volumes with SR 195 IMP from Table 10 & 11

As shown in Table 13, the maximum queue length for the 2026 with & without project scenarios with SR 195 Improvement Project in AM peak are anticipated to exceed the current storage space (1,000 ft) and the durations with queue beyond the storage are anticipated to be 8 minutes (7:50 AM – 7:58 AM) for the 2026 without project scenario and 22 minutes (7:43 AM – 8:05 AM) for the 2026 with project scenario. In PM peak, maximum queue length for all scenarios are anticipated to stay within the current storage space (1,000 ft), however, with 500 vph metering rate (to improve LOS on I-90 segment), the maximum queue length for all future scenarios in PM peak are anticipated to exceed the current storage space and the durations with queue beyond the storage for all future scenarios in PM peak are anticipated to continue to after PM peak hour, as the demand volumes used for the future year are only a projection of future traffic volumes, we recommend that the volumes and the queue length be monitored over time.

Based upon the analysis provided in Tables 12 and 13, it is anticipated that the SR 195 Corridor Improvement Project will improve NB SR 195 Ramp metering operation, by reducing 386 vehicles (466 vehicles-80 vehicles) in maximum queue for AM and 8 vehicles (19 vehicles – 11 vehicles) in maximum queue for PM peak.

# **I-90 Segments LOS Analysis**

The future Levels of Service at the freeway segments were calculated using the methods from the *Highway Capacity Manual 6th Edition* as implemented in *HCS7*, version 7.7. The Levels of Service for I-90 segments within the study area for both of the with and without SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects scenario are summarized on the following tables.

				2026 W/O P	-	2026 W/ Project	
I-90 SEGMENT	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	
Ramp Merge Area	AM	37.4	Е	39.8	Е	39.8	Е
(NB SR 195 to EB I-90)	PM	37.1	Е	Exceed 50.0	F	Exceed 50.0	F
• With 500 vph metering rate at PM				(47.3)	(E)	(47.3)	(E)
Basic Area	AM	34.7	D	36.8	Е	36.8	Е
(NB SR 195 to Walnut St.)	PM	34.5	D	Exceed 45.0	F	Exceed 45.0	F
• With 500 vph metering rate at PM				(44.0)	(E)	(44.0)	(E)
Ramp Diverge Area	AM	25.3	С	26.4	С	26.4	С
(EB I-90 to Walnut St.)	PM	24.3	С	29.7	С	29.8	С

Table 14- I-90 Freeway Levels of Service without SR 195 IMP (AM: 1,200 vph, PM: 800 vph)

Table 15- I-90 Freeway Levels of Service with SR 195 IMP (AM: 1,200 vph, PM: 800 vph)

	2021 Exis	sting	2026 W/O Project		2026 W/ Project		
I-90 SEGMENT	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	Density (pc/mi/ln)	LOS	
Ramp Merge Area	AM	34.9	Е	39.1	Е	39.9	Е
(NB SR 195 to EB I-90)	PM	35.6	Е	Exceed 50.0	F	Exceed 50.0	F
• With 500 vph metering rate at PM				(47.3)	(E)	(47.3)	(E)
Basic Area	AM	32.7	D	36.2	Е	36.8	Е
(NB SR 195 to Walnut St.)	PM	33.3	D	Exceed 50.0	F	Exceed 45.0	F
• With 500 vph metering rate at PM				(44.0)	(E)	(44.0)	(E)
Ramp Diverge Area	AM	24.1	С	26.1	С	26.4	С
(EB I-90 to Walnut St.)	PM	23.6	В	28.9	С	29.0	С

As shown in Table 14 & 15, the change of the density & level of Service on I-90 segments by adding new trips of the project were minimal considering. For 2026 PM peak hour at current metering rates, the level of service at Ramp Merge area and Basic area is anticipated to operate at "F". With 500 vph ramp metering rates in PM peak hour, it is anticipated to operate at level of service "E".

# **Conclusion**

Based upon the analysis provided it is concluded that the addition of the project trips will have an impact upon the SR 195 & 1-90 Interchange, by adding 25 vehicles (646 ft) in queue for AM and 1 vehicle (26 ft) in queue for PM with SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects.

### LOS Analysis on the Intersection of 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road) & Inland Empire Way

Per the WSDOT comments dated on May 28, 2021, the additional analysis at the intersection of 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road) & Inland Empire Way has been performed. Seven scenarios were considered for this analysis;

- 1. 2021 existing
- 2. 2026 with background growth rate and without SR 195 IMP projects
- 3. 2026 with background growth rate and with SR 195 IMP projects
- 4. 2026 with background projects, without this project (Qualchan View Estates), and without SR 195 IMP projects
- 5. 2026 with background projects, without this project, and with SR 195 IMP
- 6. 2026 with background projects, with this project, and without SR 195 IMP
- 7. 2026 with background projects, with this project, and with SR 195 IMP

A summary of the Level of Service results is shown in the following table.

Table 16 – LOS on the Intersection of	of 23 rd Avenue (	Thorpe Road) &	Inland Empire Wav
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Scenario	AM Pea	k Hour	PM Peak Hour			
(A)ll way stop con (T)we way stop and	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS		
(T)wo way stop co		(sec)		(sec)		
2021 Existing Condition	A	8.0	A	7.5	A	
2026 w/ Growth Rate w/o SR 195 IMP Projects	A	8.1	Α	7.5	А	
2026 w/ Growth Rate w/ SR 195 IMP Projects	Α	10.1	В	8.1	А	
• Stop Control on 23 rd Avenue (Thorpe Road)	(T)	(12.8)	(B)	(10.4)	(B)	
2026 w/o Project w/o SR 195 IMP Projects	Α	8.2	Α	7.6	А	
2026 w/o Project w/ SR 195 IMP Projects	Α	10.7	В	8.2	А	
• Stop Control on 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road)	(T)	(13.8)	(B)	(10.6)	(B)	
2026 w/ Project w/o SR 195 IMP Projects	Α	8.2	Α	7.6	А	
2026 w/ Project w/ SR 195 IMP Projects	Α	10.9	В	8.3	А	
<ul> <li>Stop Control on 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road)</li> </ul>	(T)	(14.1)	(B)	(10.8)	(B)	

*In case of the predomination of traffic volume on Inland Empire Way, the intersection has been analyzed based upon the stop control on 23rd Avenue only.

As shown Table 16, the intersection of Thorpe Road (23rd Avenue) & SR 195 is anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service with all scenarios.

#### **Conclusion**

Based upon the analysis provided, it is concluded that the addition of the project trips will have a minimal impact upon the intersection of 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road) & Inland Empire Way, by increasing 0.2 seconds in delay for AM and 0.1 seconds in delay for PM.

### Queue Analysis on the Intersection of 16th Avenue & SR 195

Per the WSDOT comments dated on May 28, 2021, the Northbound Left-Turn queue length at the intersection of 16th Avenue & SR 195 has been analyzed. The methodology for this analysis is as shown below:

- 1. Using WSDOT Ramp Queuing Analysis spreadsheet, evaluate the maximum volumes on SR 195 NB Ramp with the current storage length (2-lanes, each with 500 ft (20 vehicle per lane total of 40 vehicle)).
- 2. Calculate the overflow traffic volumes (2026 Projected traffic volumes on SR 195 NB Ramp the Maximum volumes on SR 195 NB Ramp)
- Based upon the calculated overflow traffic volumes, modify the 2026 projected traffic volumes on the intersection of 16th Avenue & SR 195 (NB Thru Traffic Volume: 2026 projected traffic volume the overflow traffic volume, NB Left-Turn Traffic Volume: 2026 projected traffic volume + the overflow traffic volume).
- 4. Evaluate the queue length (NB Left-Turn) and LOS at the intersection.

The summary of this analysis is shown below tables.

Table 17 – 2026 Diverted Traffic Volume from SR 195 NB Ramp to 16th NB LT by Queuing

Scenario	Peak Hour		Storage	A. Maximum Supportable Traffic Volume	Vol	Traffic ume hr) ^{***}	C. Overflow Traffic B-A (Veh/hr)	
	nour	(Veh/hr)	Capacity (ft)	(Veh/hr)**	WO Project	W Project	WO Project	W Project
WO SR	AM	1,200	1,000 (40 veh)	1,108	1,511	1,583	403	475
195 IMP	PM	500*	1,000 (40 veh)	521	730	763	209	242
W SR	AM	1,200	1,000 (40 veh)	1,108	1,147	1,202	39	94
195 IMP	PM	500*	1,000 (40 veh)	521	574	598	53	77

*500 vph Metering (to improve LOS on I-90 segment)

**Evaluated by WSDOT Ramp Queuing Analysis Spreadsheet

***2026 Traffic Volumes with SR 195 IMP Projects (Tables 10 & 11)

Table 18 – Queue & LOS Analysis for NB Left-turn for 2026 without Project Scenario

			20	26 withou	it Diversi	on	2026 with Diversion				
Scen ario	Pe ak	Movem ent	D. Vol. (Veh/hr)	95 th Queue (ft)	LOS - Delay (s)	Int. LOS&D elay (s)	Vol. (Veh/ hr)*	95 th Queue(ft)	LOS - Delay (s)	Int.LOS &Delay (s) **	
WO	A	NB LT	115	13 (1veh)	A-9.5	D-26.3	518	113(5veh)	C-15.0	F-54.7	
SR	М	NB TH	1,687	-	-	2 2010	1,284	-	-		
195 IMP P M	-	NB LT	94	25 (1veh)	C-17.9	C-17.9	303	198 (8veh)	E-49.4	F-58.3	
	Μ	NB TH	734	-	-		525	-	-		
	А	NB LT	115	13 (1veh)	A-9.5	D-26.3	154	18(1veh)	A-9.8	D-26.8	
W SR M	NB TH	1,687	-	-	D 20.5	1,648	-	-	000		
195 IMP P	NB LT	94	25 (1veh)	C-17.9	C-17.9	147	50(2veh)	C-21.0	C-21.0		
	М	NB TH	734	-	-		681	-	-	-	

*NB LT: D (Table 18: NB LT) + C (Table 17), NB TH: D (Table 18: NB TH) – C (Table 17) **Intersection LOS & Delay based upon Critical Movement

			20	26 withou	it Diversi	on	2026 with Diversion				
Scen ario	Pe ak	Movem ent	D. Vol. (Veh/hr)	95 th Queue (ft)	LOS - Delay (s)	Int. LOS&D elay (s)	Vol. (Veh/ hr)*	95 th Queue(ft)	LOS - Delay (s)	Int.LOS &Delay (s) **	
WO	A	NB LT	138	15 (1veh)	A-9.8	D-29.8	613	183(8veh)	C-20.2	C-20.2	
SR	М	NB TH	1,772	-	-	D 29.0	1,297	-	-	2 2012	
195 IMP P M	-	NB LT	109	35 (2veh)	C-20.5	C-20.5	318	265 (11veh)	F-76.6	F-76.6	
	Μ	NB TH	790	-	-		581	-	-		
	A	NB LT	138	15 (1veh)	A-9.8	D-29.8	177	20(1veh)	B-10.1	D-30.7	
W SR		NB TH	1,772	-	-	D 2910	1,733	-	-		
195 IMP	Р	NB LT	109	35 (2veh)	C-20.5	C-20.5	162	65(3veh)	D-25.2	D-25.2	
	М	NB TH	790	-	-		737	-	-		

Table 19 – Queue & LOS Analysis for NB Left-turn for 2026 with Project Scenario

*NB LT: D (Table 19: NB LT) + C (Table 17), NB TH: D (Table 19: NB TH) – C (Table 17) **Intersection LOS & Delay based upon Critical Movement

As shown in Table 18 & 19, with the diversion traffic volume caused by queueing on SR 195 NB Ramp, it is anticipated that the NB left-turn queue length will exceed the available storage (240 ft) for PM peak hour and the intersection will operate at an unacceptable level of service for both AM & PM peak hours. With the SR 195 Improvements projects, it is anticipated that the NB left-turn queue length will stay within the available storage and the intersection will operate at an acceptable level of service.

#### **Conclusion**

Based upon the analysis provided, it is concluded that the diverted trips will have a minimal impact upon the northbound left-turn lane at the intersection of 16th Avenue and SR 195, by adding 1 vehicle (2 ft) in queue for AM and 1 vehicle (15 ft) in queue for PM.

#### **DEVELOPMENT PARTICIPATION IN SR 195 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

Per the comments by WSDOT dated February 17, 2022, a summary of the development community participation in SR 195 improvement projects is shown in Table 20.

Development	Units	Safe	ety Projects	SR 195 Ramp Redirection Projects			
Development	Units	Hatch	Meadowlane	16 th	Thorpe	Inland Empire Way	
The Summit	98		Х		Х		
Tangle Ridge	45		Х		Х		
Wheatland Estates	189		Х	Х			
Greens at Meadowlane	36		Х			$X^*$	
Greens at Meadowlane 2	25	Х	Х			$X^*$	
Grandview Addition	89			Х			
Crystal Ridge	30			Х			
Qualchan View Estates	160	Х	Х			Х	
Latah Glen	135	Х				Х	
Marshall Creek	425	Х				Х	

 Table 20 – Development Participation in SR 195 IMP

*The Greens participation at Inland Empire Way is impact fee monies only.

#### Conclusions

This Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) has reviewed and analyzed the study area per the scope established by the City of Spokane and WSDOT. Based upon the analysis, field observations, assumptions, methodologies and results which are provided in the body of this report, it is concluded that the development of the proposed project will generate new trips on the existing transportation system and that those trips will have an impact on the transportation system. This conclusion was reached and has been documented within the body of this report.

- Under the **existing** conditions, all intersections are currently operating at an acceptable level of service.
- For the **year 2026 with background growth rate** scenario, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service except the intersections of SR 195 & 16th Avenue and SR 195 & Hatch Road. With the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project at SR 195 & 16th Avenue (Right Out only on eastbound approach) and the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only with the proposed J-turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to operate at an acceptable level of service.
- For the year 2026 with background growth rate plus background projects and without this project scenario, with the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project (Right Out only on eastbound approach) at SR 195 & 16th Avenue, the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only at SR 195 & Hatch Road, and a new access on Eagle Ridge Boulevard with a ½ J turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service.
- For the year 2026 with background growth rate plus background projects and with this project scenario, with the mitigation provided by the Spangle-Wheatland project (Right Out only on eastbound approach) at SR 195 & 16th Avenue, the reconfiguration on westbound approach to a right out only at SR 195 & Hatch Road, and a new access on Eagle Ridge Boulevard with a ½ J turn at SR 195 & Meadowlane Road, all intersections are anticipated to continue to operate at an acceptable level of service. (Please see Wheatland Estates Proposed Traffic/Transportation Conditions of Approval letter in Background Project section of Appendix).

As shown in the additional analysis section – SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects, it was concluded that with the EB Turn Restrictions at 16th Avenue, Flashing Beacon and Sign at Thorpe Road Exit, and Connection to Inland Empire Way at Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp projects (by other projects, yet to be approved but in the pipeline) that a significant number of trips would be redirected away the NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp, and that the net result would be no additional trips to the I-90 Ramps.

As shown in the additional analysis Highway Segment LOS and Queue Analysis section, based upon the analysis provided it is concluded that the addition of the 72 AM and the 33 PM project trips will have an impact upon the SR 195 & 1-90 Interchange, by adding 25 vehicles with a calculated 646 ft addition at queue for AM and 1 vehicle with a calculated 26 ft addition at queue for PM with SR 195 Corridor Improvement Projects.

As shown in the additional analysis, based upon the LOS Analysis on the intersection of 23rd Avenue & Inland Empire Way, it is concluded that the addition of the project trips will have a minimal impact upon the intersection of 23rd Avenue (Thorpe Road) & Inland Empire Way, by increasing 0.2 seconds in delay for AM and 0.1 seconds in delay for PM.

As shown in the additional analysis, based upon the Queue Analysis on the intersection of 16th Avenue & SR 195, it is concluded that the diverted trips will have a minimal impact upon the northbound left-turn lane at the intersection of 16th Avenue and SR 195, by adding 1 vehicle (2 ft) in queue for AM and 1 vehicle (15 ft) in queue for PM.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that the project be conditioned to participate in the Corridor Improvement projects as described within this document. The proposed conditions are as follows.

- A. Vehicular traffic from this project is expected to add 72 AM trips and 33 PM trips to the NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp. WSDOT has commented that no additional peak hour trips may be added to the ramp due to safety concerns. Marshall Creek is therefore required to contribute funds to complete an improvement to the US 195 corridor that will reduce the impact of its traffic on NB US 195 to EB I-90 ramp ("Mitigation Project"). Marshall Creek may final plat lots after a financial commitment is in place (secured by a letter of credit or bond), which has been approved by the City, providing for the funding of the design and the construction for the Mitigation Project(s), which shall be under contract for construction within one year from the recording of the final plat. The details of the mitigation project(s) will be agreed upon by the developers, City and WSDOT. The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the mitigation project(s) will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070
- B. Marshall Creek may final plat lots once a financial commitment is in place (secured by a letter of credit or bond), which has been approved by the City, providing for Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp – Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement. This commitment may be defined as an agreement between several developers to fund and construct the Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp – Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement projects within a specified time frame, not to exceed six years, as agreed upon by city staff and WSDOT. The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the Improvement projects will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070.

- *i.* The Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp Connection to Inland Empire Way Improvement project participation is estimated at \$1,910.64/PM peak hour trip and will consist of the proportionate share of the following:
  - Extend the northbound ramp to Inland Empire Way,
  - One -way connection to Inland Empire Way, for Phase 1
  - Two-way connection to Inland Empire Way, for Phase 2. It should be noted that while this two-way connection is a desirous connection for connectivity options for the City and WSDOT, the inbound lane, would require a lane shift of approximately 2,000 LF of SR-195 and is beyond the expectation for mitigation related to the diminishment of trips NB through the SR-195 and I-90 interchange. This project will prepare as apart of the Intersection Plan for Approval process with the WSDOT and City of Spokane the design necessary to accommodate two-way travel between Cheney Spokane Road and Inland Empire Way but will only construct the NB one-way phase as a part of these projects.
  - Install ramp with acceleration lane.
  - Install ramp meter signal.
  - *Relocate existing sign bridge.*
- Marshall Creek Financial Commitment The financial commitment for Marshall Creek development based upon the rate of participation is as follows for the Cheney-Spokane Road Ramp improvement with 407 PM peak hour trips at \$1,910.64 per PM peak hour trip. The participation percentage is anticipated to total \$776,630.48(407 trips * \$1,910.64). In summary the total financial commitment due is \$776,630.48 or \$1,827.37 per unit (\$776,630.48/425units) or greater depending upon final cost.
- *iii.* The applicant's contributions to funding the design and construction of the Improvement projects will qualify for a credit against transportation impact fees per SMC 17D.075.070.
- iv. It should be noted that the Latah Glen Community commitment to this improvement has been set tentatively at \$76,602.24 this commitment along with the previously noted \$776,630.48 would result in a beginning commitment of \$853,232.72. It is understood that this is an approximated commitment may increase due to actual construction costs for the improvements proposed.

Based upon the conclusions within this study, the proposed project is recommended to complete all required conditions of approval and should be allowed to move forward without further traffic analysis, or offsite mitigation.