

SEGMENT BY SEGMENT

Community Benefits: Buffalo State Segment

MOBILITY BENEFITS

- Overall Continuous bike/pedestrian connection on the south side of the creek along the Scajaquada Parkway
 - Overall Continuous roadway connection along Scajaquada Parkway between Buffalo State and Niagara Street
 - Overall Opportunities for additional Buffalo State driveways/multimodal access from the Scajaquada Parkway
 - A I-190 Interchange removal allows greatly improved bike and pedestrian experience on Niagara St
 - E New multi-modal roadway between Grant St and Tonawanda St @ Letchworth St
 - F New connections across the Scajaquada @ Elmwood Ave and Wegmans open large areas of Region Central to people walking and biking
- Iroquois Dr remains in place until the Scajaquada takes over its ROW immediately west of Elmwood Ave

PARKS, HERITAGE, AND NATURAL RESOURCES BENEFITS

- Overall Decreasing roadway width allows for stream and North Bay restoration
- Overall Keeping parkway south of creek increases creek restoration potential
- Overall Decreasing roadway width reduces runoff
- Overall Decreasing roadway width and removing roadway provides opportunities to improve waterfront access and quality of nearby recreation amenities.
- A I-190 Interchange removal allows improved views and access to the waterfront
- A, B, C Ramp removal creates opportunity for stream restoration
- A, B, C Ramp removal reduces runoff from roads/decreases impervious surfaces
- B, C, D Keeping parkway south of creek allows Jesse Kregal pathway to remain north of creek, improving continuity
- E New roadway facilitates east-west connectivity from Grant-Amherst to Shoreline Trail, which commemorates Erie Canal

INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS

- Overall Roadway improvements to Forest Avenue will provide additional secondary access to Niagara Road. This increased accessibility could spark additional market support for reusing the many old industrial buildings in this area
- A, B, C New intersections facilitate multi-modal access to major economic generators, including Buffalo State, the Richardson Olmsted Campus, and emerging business districts along Niagara, Amherst, and Chandler Streets. This reinforces Region Central as an employment hub, while also supporting existing and expanding small business clusters
- E New connection will open up the opportunity to redevelop several large vacant industrial parcels, which could support new jobs in Region Central and increase the city's tax base. Larger parcels could be especially attractive to new manufacturing facilities, life science buildings, and expansion space for local businesses looking for a location to create a bigger facility
- G Improvements to Grant Street will enhance access to grocery stores for people living south of the Scajaquada, as there is a major grocery store located just north of the at-grade intersection
- H More sites may become available for housing between the extension to Letchworth Street and Forest Avenue and west of Grant Street. Building more housing targeted to a range of incomes could help to offset some potential residential displacement in the area



- SUPPORTING ELEMENTS**
- Intersection Improvement (1)
 - Bike/Ped Crossing (1)
 - Enhanced Vehicle Accommodations
 - Multimodal Corridor
 - Bike Corridor

Dot colors correspond to associated benefit type: Mobility, Equitable Development, and Parks, Natural Resources, and Heritage.

