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Honorable Mayor, City Council Members

The State plans to diamond grind Hwy 3 from 9th Ave SE to 9th Street NE on Hwy 150 in the spring of 2024. The project will necessitate the replacement of up to eight sanitary sewer manholes that would be the city's responsibility.

The question was raised during a pre-construction meeting as to whether or not the city would be interested in converting North Fredrick from four lanes to three.

The 4-3 lane road diet is widely recognized as a traffic calming measure that not only reduces crashes but makes pedestrian crossing safer. It also allows for things such as designated bike lanes and snow storage during winter months.

A 4-3 lane conversion is one of the Federal Highway Administrations (FHWA's) 20 proven safety countermeasures.

This would be an opportune time to make the transition as all of the lines will need to be painted after the grinding takes place.

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