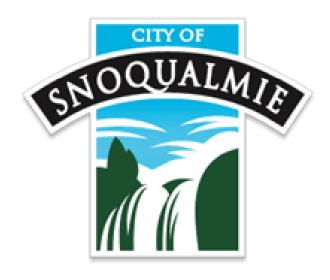
# Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for the Public Right-of-Way



Snoqualmie, WA
Draft July 2023

# Appendix F Public Engagement Strategy and Findings

**Prepared by** 



Virtual Open House Presentation (June 2023)

**ArcGIS Survey123® Public Survey – Summary (Redacted, June 2023)** 

ArcGIS Survey123® Public Survey – Individual Responses (Redacted, June 2023)







# **Public Workshop**

Americans with
Disabilities Act (ADA)
Public Right-of-Way
Transition Plan

**City of Snoqualmie** 

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 6:00 – 7:00 pm









#### **City Staff**

Patrick Fry, Project Engineer City of Snoqualmie Public Works Department

#### **Consultant Staff**

Jennifer Salemann, Planner Transportation Solutions, Inc.





# Virtual Public Workshop

#### **Online Platform**

 We plan to address questions or comments when you see the following message:

Raise Hand or Respond in Q&A Box

- You may enter questions into the Q&A Box at any time.
- There will be more Q&A time at end.





# **Agenda**

6:00 - 6:10: PART 1 - INTRO

Highlight Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan purpose

6:10 – 6:50: PART 2 – PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FACILITIES

- Share findings of existing ADA accessibility barriers
- Listen to your experiences with ADA barriers
- Listen to your preferences for prioritizing ADA barriers for removal

6:50 - 7:00: PART 3 - MAKING A PLAN





### WHAT BROUGHT YOU HERE TODAY?

Raise Hand or Respond in Q&A Box





# PART 1

# **ADA TRANSITION PLANS 101**





# What should an ADA Transition Plan do?

- Identify accessibility barriers
- Describe methods used to remove accessibility barriers
- Provide a barrier removal schedule (timeline and \$)
- Identify public official responsible to implement plan





# Types of Barriers under Title II (Local & State Governments)

### **Physical Barriers**

- PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN
- City buildings
- City parks
- City paved shared-use trails

### **Programmatic Barriers**

 Public services, programs, and activities – POLICIES AND PROCEDURES INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN





### PART 2

# **PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY (PROW) FACILITIES**





### **PROW Facilities**

#### Facilities Addressed in this ADA Transition Plan

- Curb ramps
- Accessible Pedestrian Signals
  - Pushbuttons at signalized intersections
  - Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at mid-block crossings
  - HAWK pedestrian-actuated crossings

#### Facilities to be Addressed at a Future Plan Update

- Sidewalks (including paved shared-use trails)
- Driveway interface with sidewalks
- Accessible Parking





# **ADA Compliant PROW Physical Features**

# **Curb Ramps**



### **Blended Transitions**





# Accessible Pedestrian Signals









# **Existing Public Right-of-Way Barriers** in Snoqualmie



# **Non-Compliant Curb Ramps**



Fair or Better - Green



Poor - Yellow







# Non-Compliant Curb Ramps cont'd

Very Poor - Orange



Missing - Red







# Missing/Outdated Detectable Warning Surfaces

**Compliant Truncated Domes** 



**Outdated Diamond Aggregate** 



No Detectable Warning Surface





# Pushbutton with No Accessible Features









### **LISTENING SESSION #1**

# What public right-of-way barriers do you experience?

# Please Raise Hand or Respond in Q&A Box

- Curb ramps
- Sidewalks
- Pedestrian crossings
- Pedestrian pushbuttons
- Parking
- Other?





# Citywide Public Right-of-Way Inventory Maps

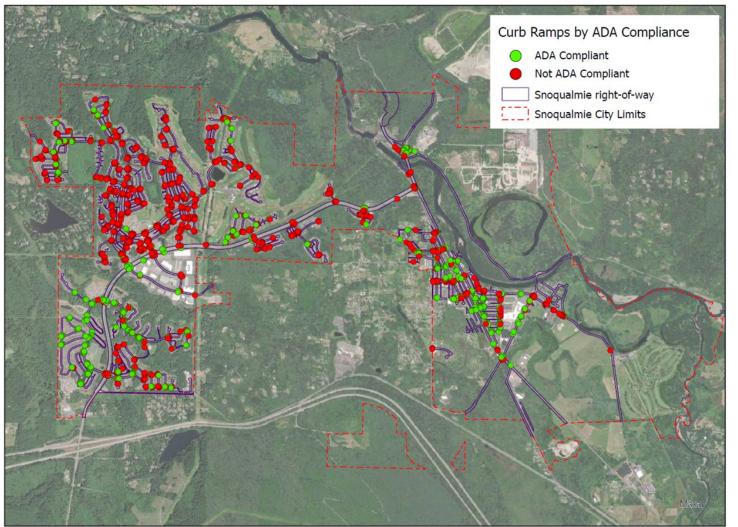


# **Curb Ramp ADA Compliance Map**



### **Total Inventory**

- 1,343 ramps
- 36% ADA-compliant
- 64% non-compliant



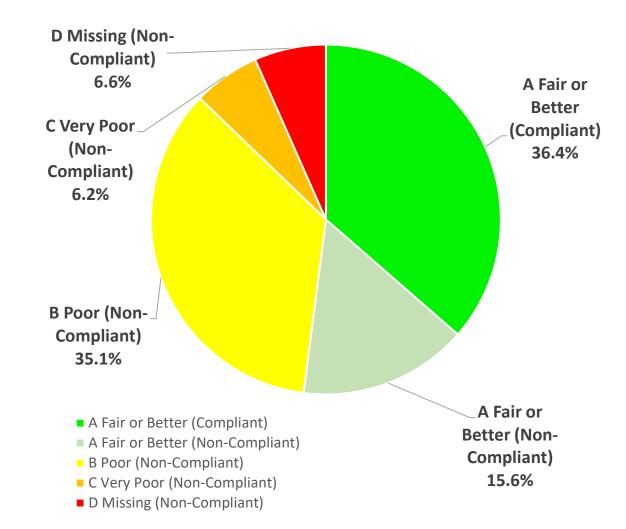




# **Curb Ramp Condition Pie Chart**

# **Grading System for Functionality**

- Fair or Better
- Poor
- Very Poor
- Missing





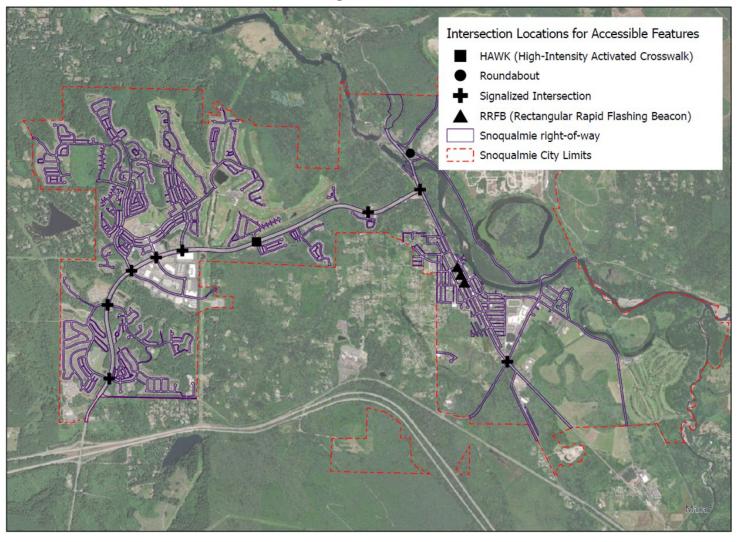
# Accessible Pedestrian Signal Locations Map



### **Total Inventory**

#### 12 intersections evaluated:

- 8 Signalized Intersections
- 3 RRFB mid-block crossings (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon)
- 1 HAWK (High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk Beacon)
- Roundabout has no APS



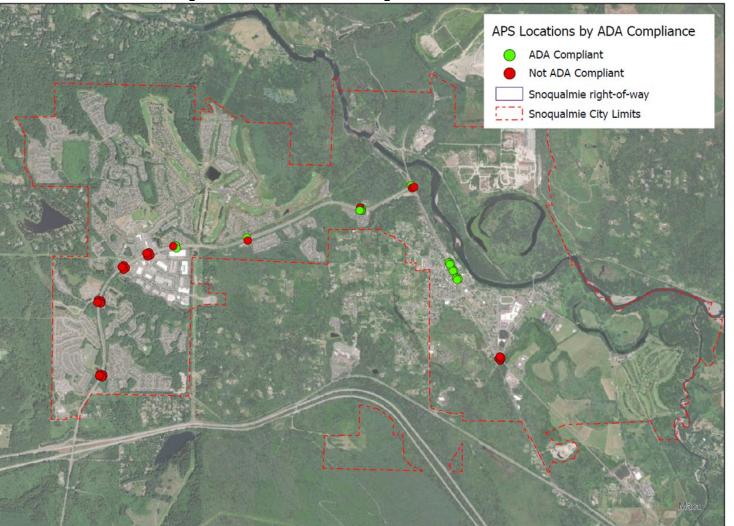


# Accessible Pedestrian Signal ADA Compliance Map



### **ADA-Compliance**

- 19 pushbutton locations have all ADA-compliant features
- 49 pushbutton locations have 1+ non-compliant feature



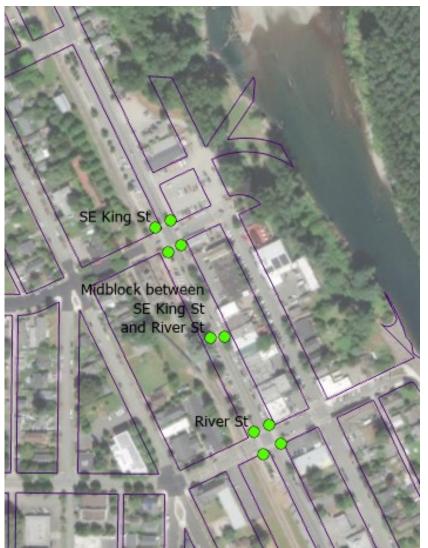






#### **ADA Features at RRFBs**

- Directional arrow
- Pole and pushbutton location
- Audible message/tone







### **LISTENING SESSION #2**

# Which public right-of-way barriers are most important for the City to remove first?

#### Please Raise Hand or Respond in Q&A Box

- Missing curb ramps
- Missing pedestrian crossings
- Missing accessible pedestrian signals (APS)
- Missing sidewalks

- Sidewalk cracks/bumps
- Fixed objects in path of travel
- Overgrown vegetation
- Other?





# **LISTENING SESSION #3**

# Where is it most important for the City to remove public right-of-way barriers?

### Please Raise Hand or Respond in Q&A Box

- Transit Centers
- Grocery and Retail Stores
- Schools and Libraries
- My Residence
- Senior Center/Care Facilities

- City Buildings and Post Office
- Medical Clinics
- Parks and Trails
- Other?





# PART 3 MAKING A PLAN





# Personnel/Policies/Procedures

#### **Personnel:**

- ADA/504 Coordinator
- Official Responsible to Implement Plan

### **Policies/Procedures:**

- Public ADA Notice
- Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) Policy
- ADA Grievance Procedure





# How will the City implement the presented information into the PROW ADA Transition Plan?

#### The Plan will:

- Include public feedback findings in prioritization criteria
- Develop a schedule for barrier removal
- Develop a financial plan to fund barrier removal
- Develop a monitoring tool to track barrier removal:
  - Annual progress reports
  - Schedule for future ADA Transition Plan updates





# How will the City prioritize physical barrier removal?

- Proximity to/Part of Planned City Projects
- Accessible Pedestrian Signal Policy
- Proximity to Likely ADA Destinations:
  - Transit Centers, Routes, & Stops
  - Grocery and Retail Stores
  - Schools and Libraries
  - Senior Center/Care Facilities
  - City Buildings and Post Office
  - Medical Clinics/Pharmacies
  - Parks and Trails

- ADA Compliance and Condition
  - Non-compliant and Missing
  - Poorest Condition (B,C,D) before Fair/Better Condition (A)
- Public Feedback
  - Online surveys
  - ADA Public Workshop





# Will I have a chance to read and comment on the Draft Plan?

#### YES!

The Draft ADA Transition Plan will be made available for public comment in summer 2023

https://www.snoqualmiewa.gov/1024/Public-Right-of-Way-ADA-Transition-Plan





Thank you for participating!

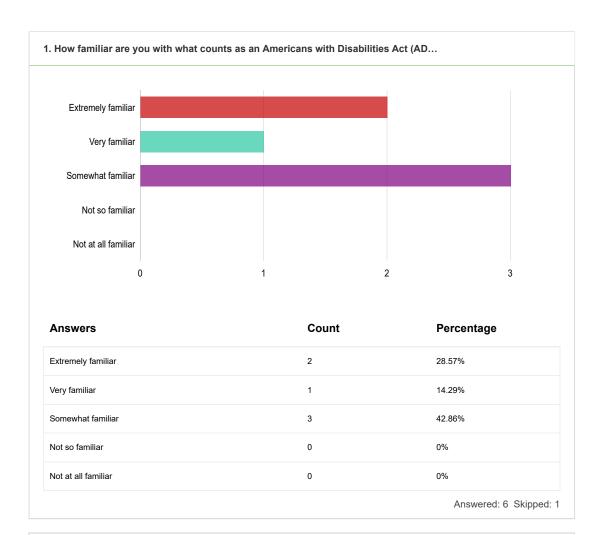
Our online survey is still open:



Q&A

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Answered: 5 Skipped: 2

## 4. Barrier Photo(s)



Missing accessible pedestrian signals

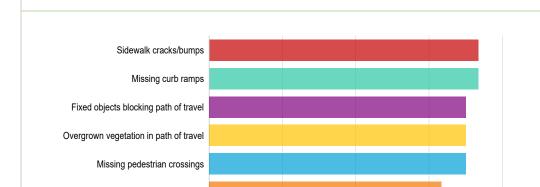


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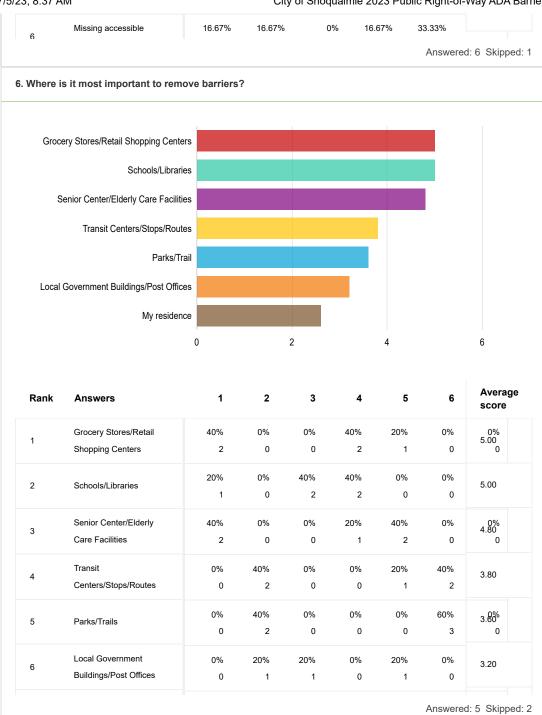




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Rank	Answers	1	2	3	4	5	Average score
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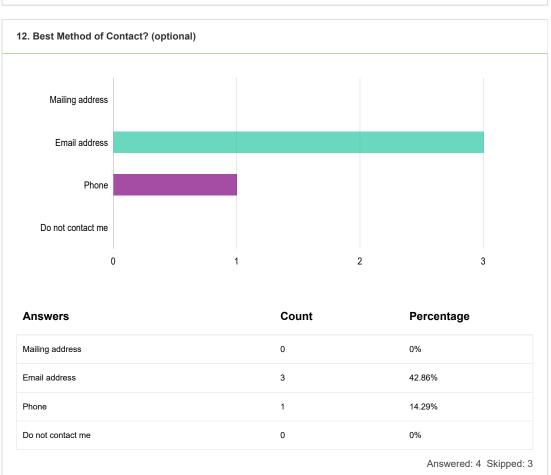
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Answered: 3 Skipped: 4

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Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 28, 2023, 2:43:24 PM

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Lat: 47.529759 Lon: -121.846577



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12. Best Method of Contact? (optional)

• Email address

Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 21, 2023, 11:15:33 PM

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Extremely familiar

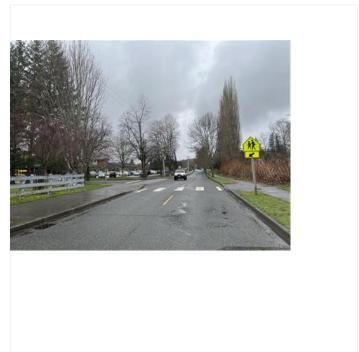
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4. Barrier Photo(s)



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11. Mailing Address (optional)

## [REDACTED]

- 12. Best Method of Contact? (optional)
- Phone

Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 20, 2023, 8:38:43 PM

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#### Somewhat familiar

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Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 7, 2023, 5:18:33 AM

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Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 6, 2023, 5:37:33 PM

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#### **Extremely familiar**

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Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 5, 2023, 8:27:03 PM

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- 8. First and Last Name (optional)

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- Email address

Submitted by: Anonymous user

Submitted time: Jun 5, 2023, 8:19:45 PM

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3. Public Right-of-Way Barrier Location Map

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### 4. Barrier Photo(s)



Snoqualmie Valley Trail Access at Reinig Road.jpg

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