

Comparative Analysis of Arterial Characteristics to Evaluate Road Diet Lane Reduction Potential

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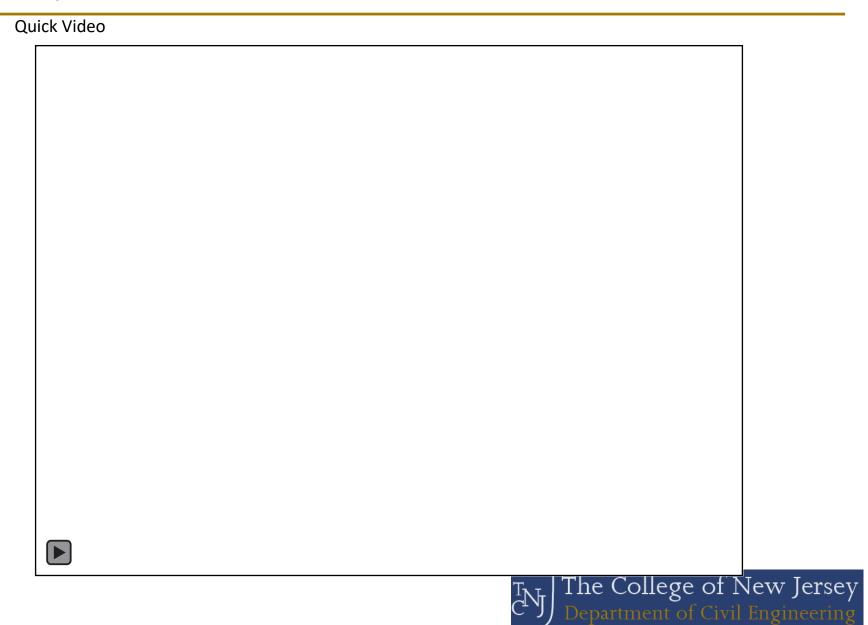
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Why Lane Reductions/Diet



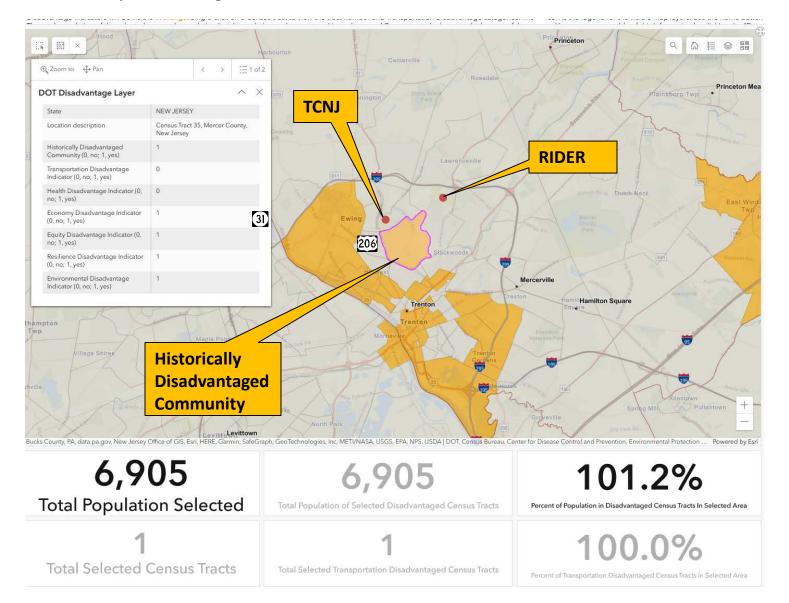
Study Site

Comparing Two Similar Roadways in the Same Region



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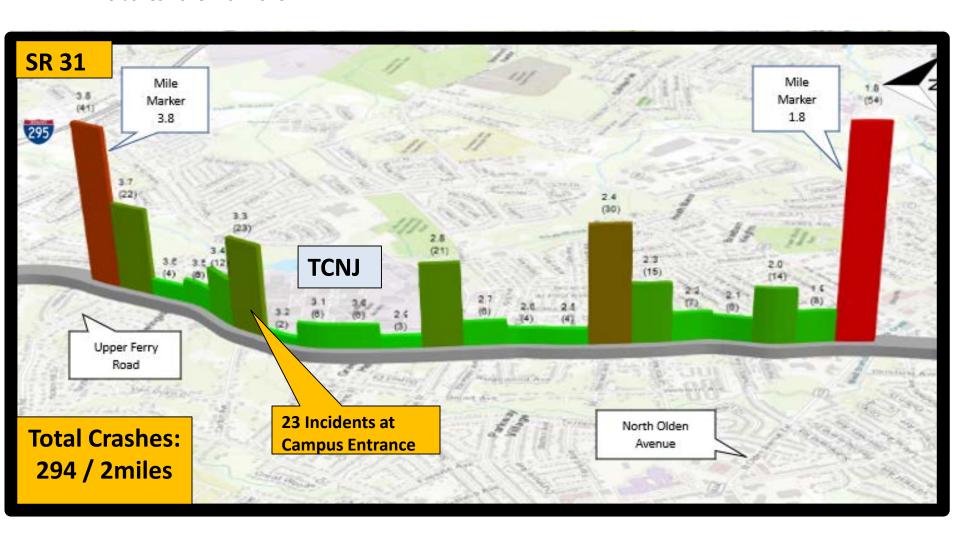
Historically Disadvantaged Areas



Study Site Crashes

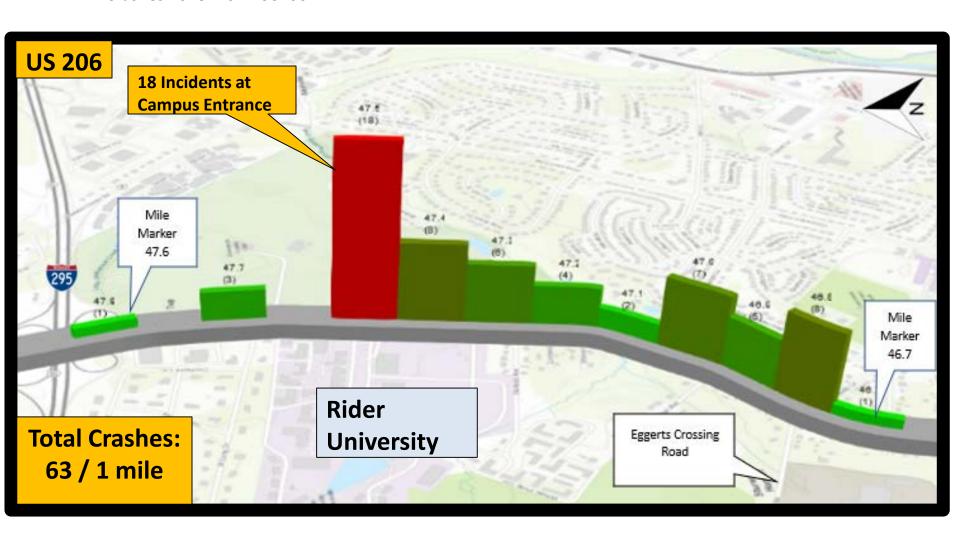
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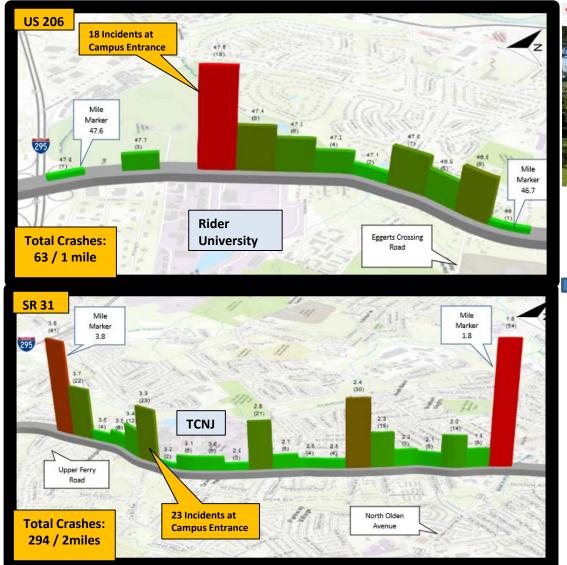
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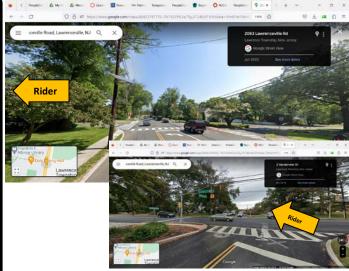


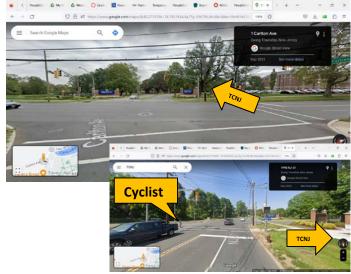
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Route 31 - Route 206

Fixed Entities Per Mile	Route 31	Route 206
Pedestrian Crossing	12.0	7.1
Intersecting Roads	14.5	12.2
Residential Driveways	49.7	34.6
Commercial Entrances	9.5	2.0
School Entrances	2.0	3.0
Church Entrances	1.5	1.0
Crashes	147.5	64.0
AADT	14179	16290
crash/AADT Lanes	0.0104	0.0039

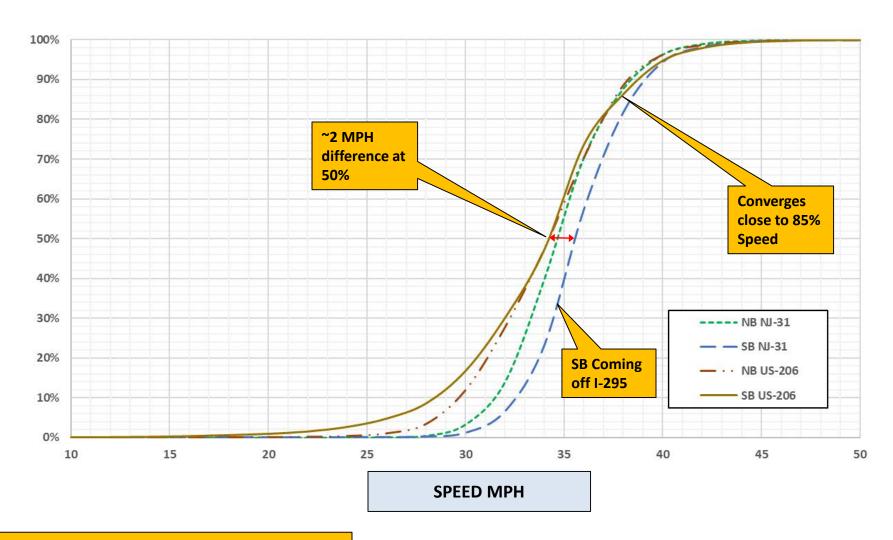
Higher Crashes
Per Mile SR31

Higher AADT at US206

Change from 40 MPH to 35 MPH Increases TT by 25 seconds over 2 miles



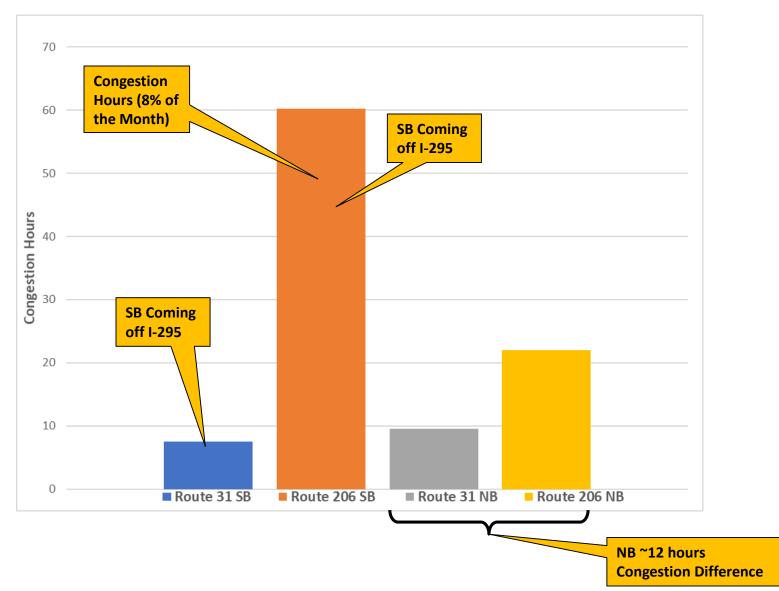
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Commercially Available Probe Vehicle Data used for assessing speeds along corridor.

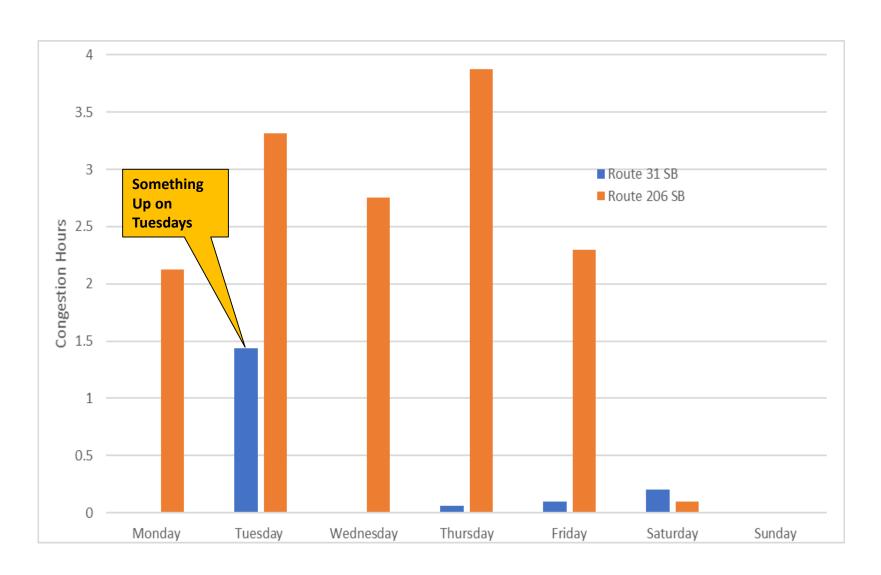


Congestion for April 2022 (Aggregated in 15-Min Increments)



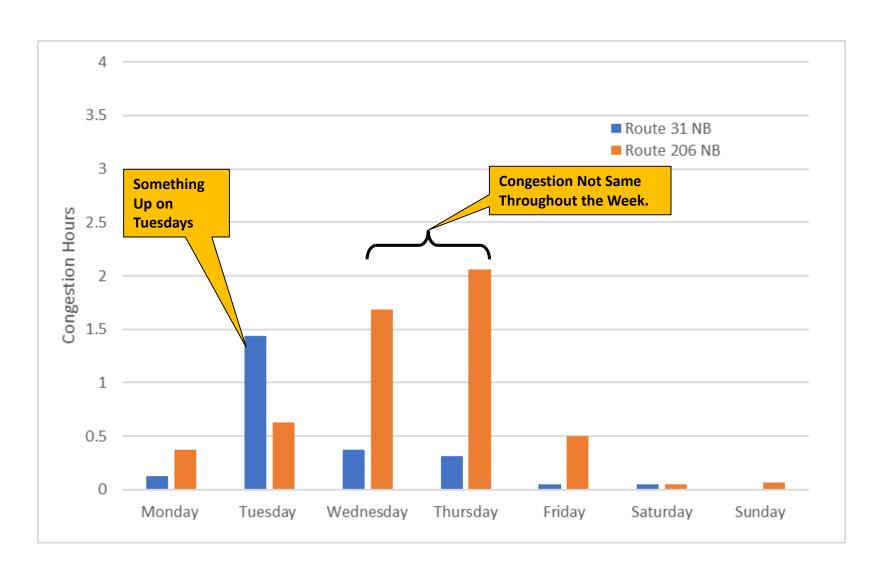


Congestion for April 2022 SB 31/206





Congestion for April 2022 NB 31/206



Conclusions

- Further Research Needed to Evaluate Lane Reduction Potential for SR 31
- US 206 had higher AADT, More Congestion, Lower Speed, and Much Lower Number of Crashes per mile.
- Determination need to be made based on presented data is further research is needed.
- The Proximity to Schools, Residential Neighborhoods, and similar site statics indicate that SR 31 should be considered for land reduction (road diet).
- Improvements to Local Infrastructure Could Benefit Historically Community in the immediate region.
- At what point are the trade offs between the number of crashes, and travel-time satisfied to justify increasing congestion for a more safe, accessible route?

