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SUBJECT: "Typical" Highway Cross Sections

The comprehensive planning and design "typical" highway cross sections have been updated in response to the Strategic Transportation Investments Law (House Bill 817) and are also consistent with SPOTOnline (used for Project Prioritization), NCDOT's GIS-based Web Application for providing automated, near real-time prioritization scores and project costs. This guidance establishes design elements that emphasize safety, mobility, complete streets, and accessibility for multiple modes of travel. These "typical" highway cross sections should be used as guidelines for comprehensive transportation planning, project planning and project design activities. The specific and final cross section details and right of way limits for projects will be established through the preparation of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation and through final design preparation.

Please provide this information to your Unit staff, Division staff, and to others as appropriate for their information and immediate implementation. This guidance is intended for State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) projects and other applicable projects. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Roadway Design Unit Regional Managers, Glenn Mumford, PE, Roger Thomas, PE, or Doug Taylor, PE at 919-707-6200.

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MEMO ("Typical" Highway Cross Sections)

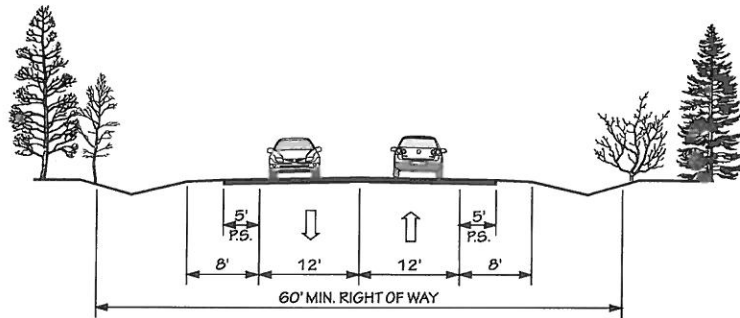
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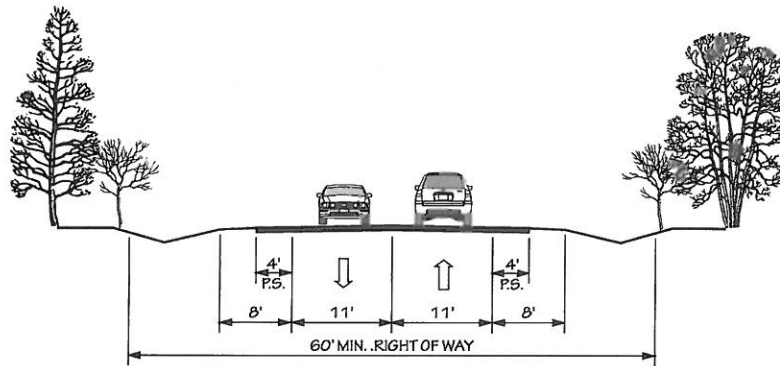
"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS

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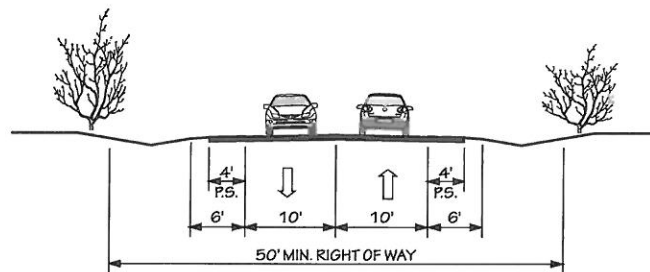
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POSTED SPEED 55 MPH

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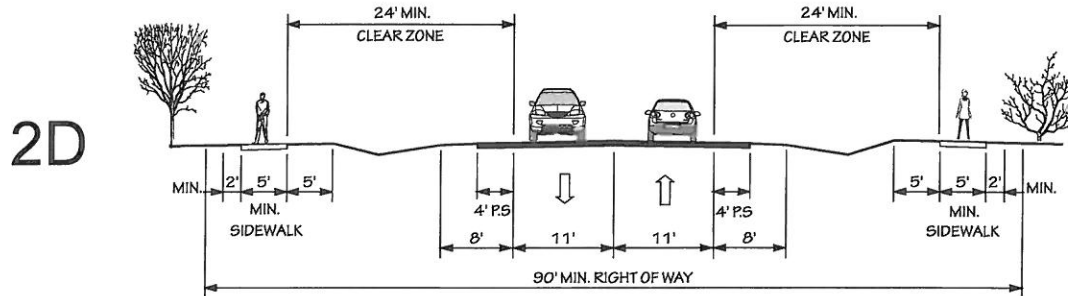
2 LANES UNDIVIDED
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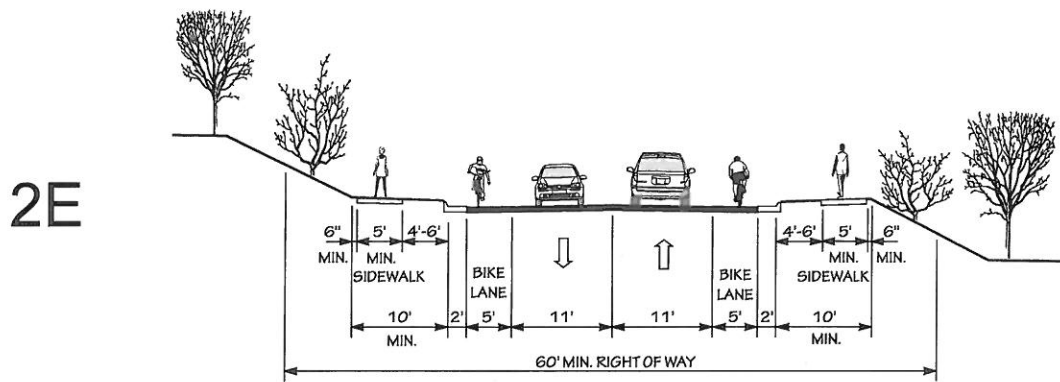


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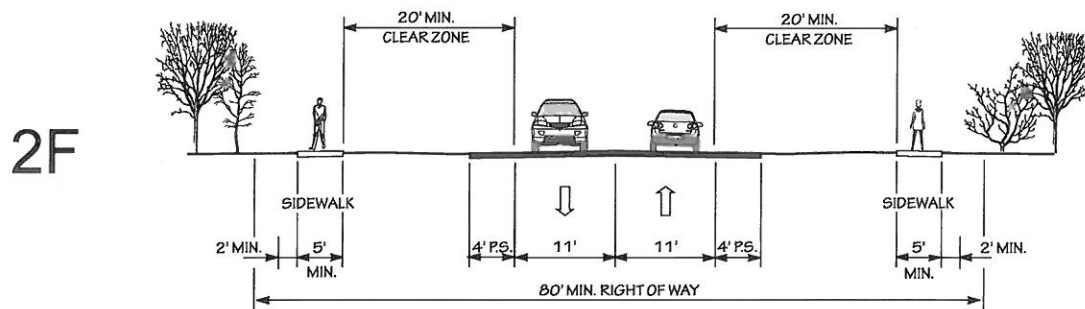
"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



**2 LANE UNDIVIDED WITH PAVED SHOULDERS AND SIDEWALKS
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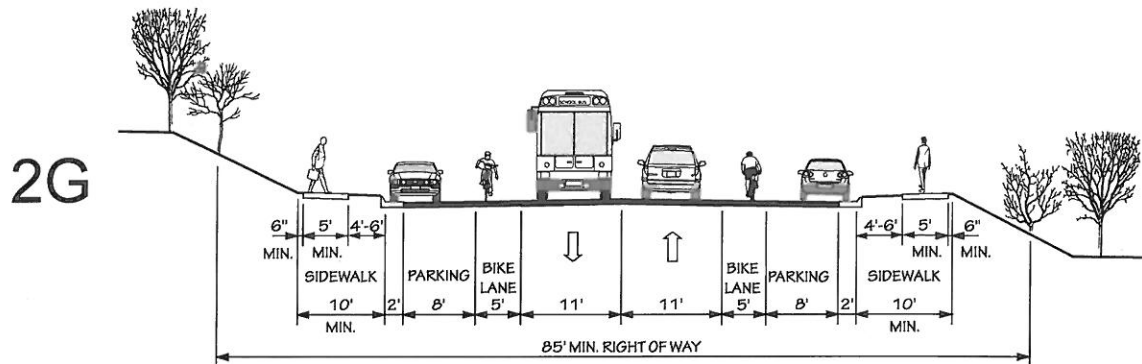


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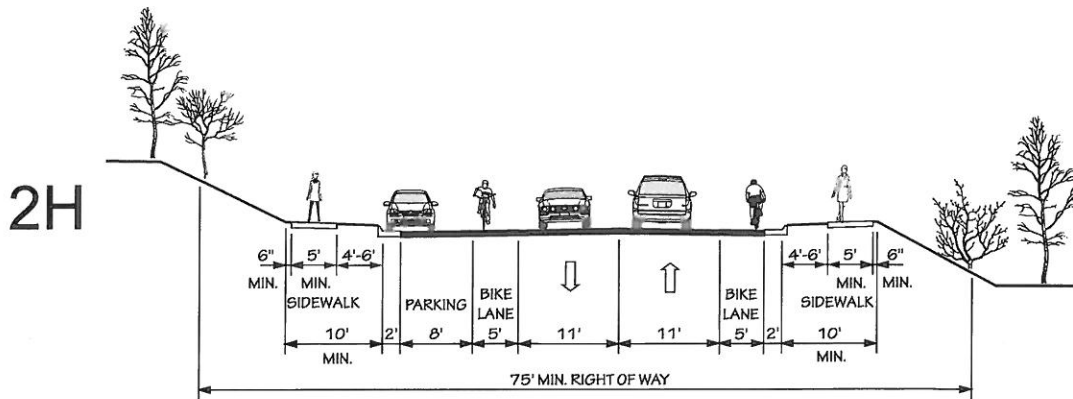


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IN CMAA COUNTIES
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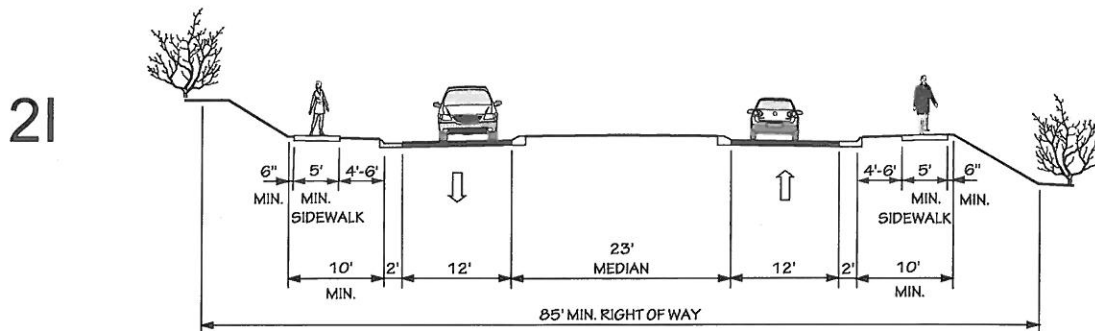
"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



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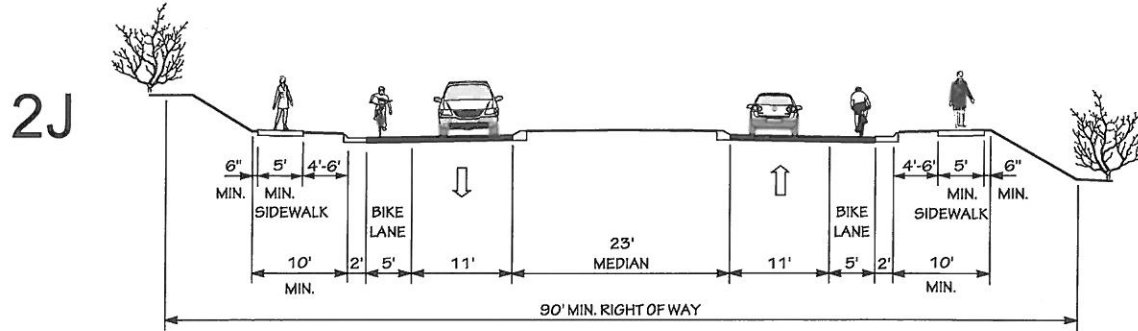


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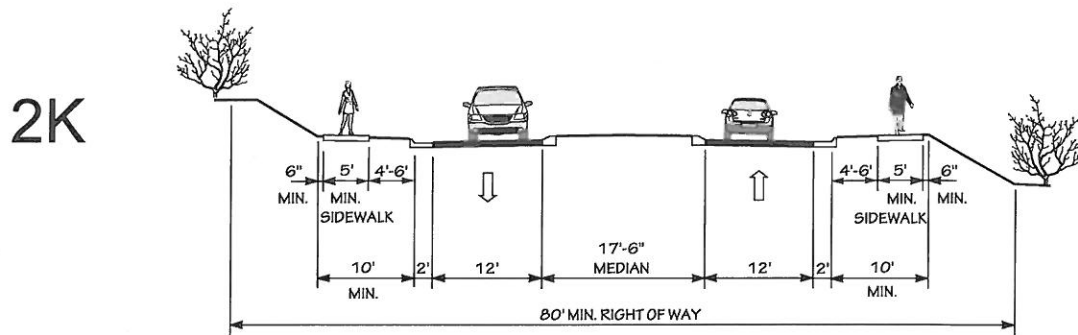


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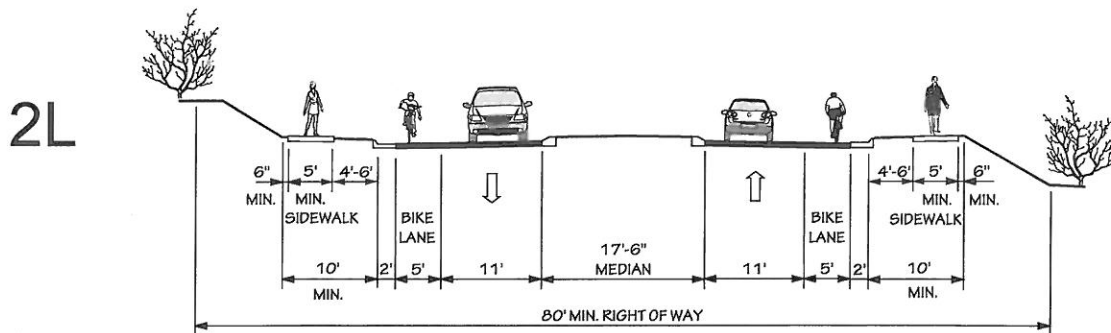
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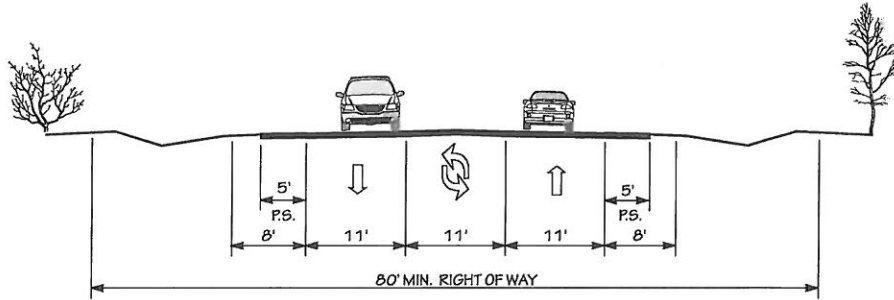
2 LANE DIVIDED (17'-6" RAISED MEDIAN) WITH CURB & GUTTER AND SIDEWALKS
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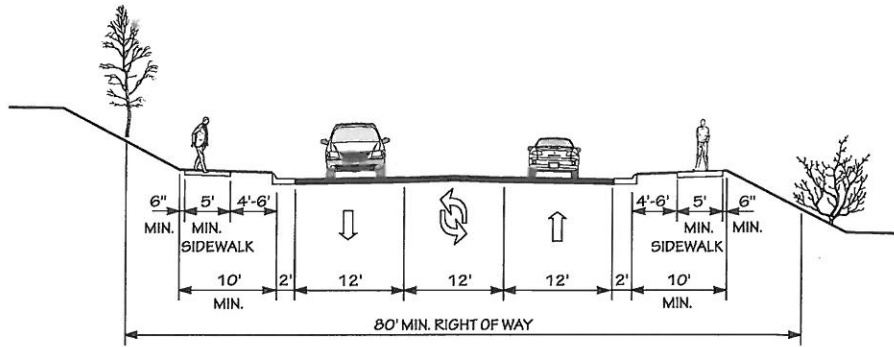
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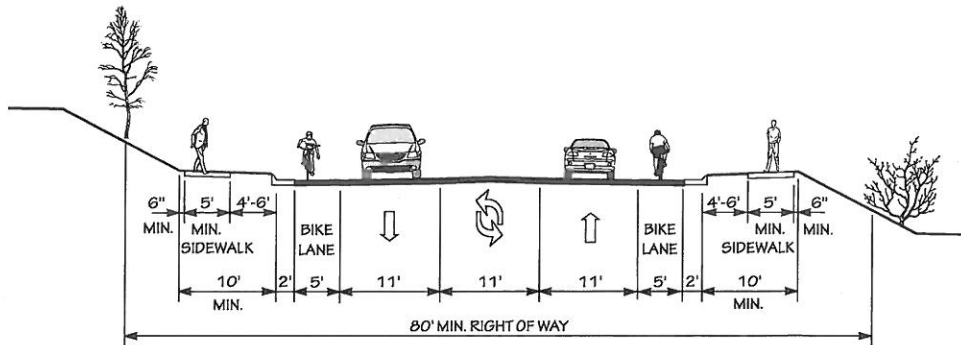
2 LANE WITH TWO WAY LEFT TURN LANE, AND PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 25-55 MPH

3B



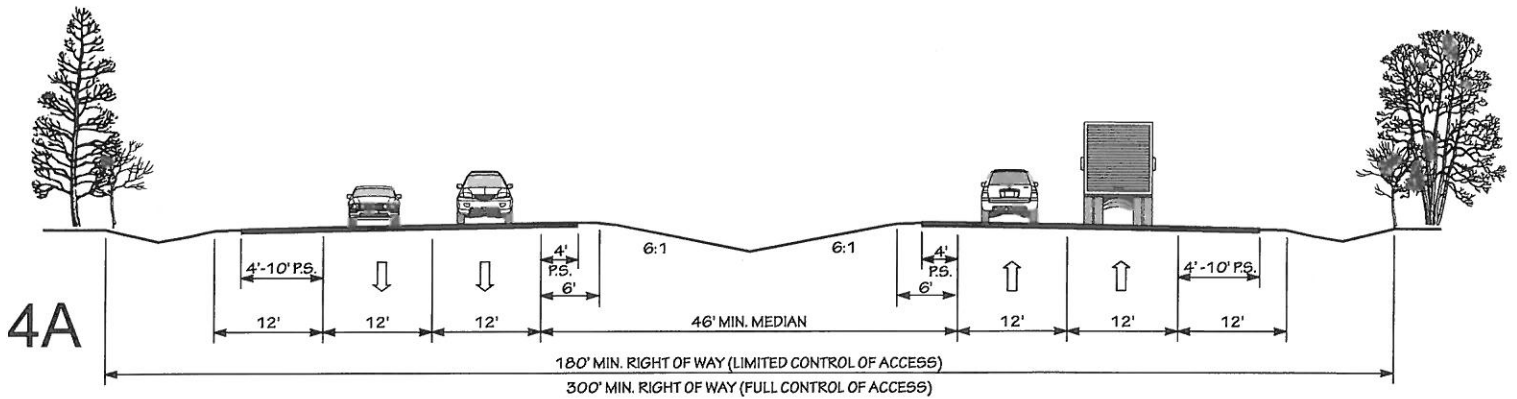
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POSTED SPEED 25-45 MPH

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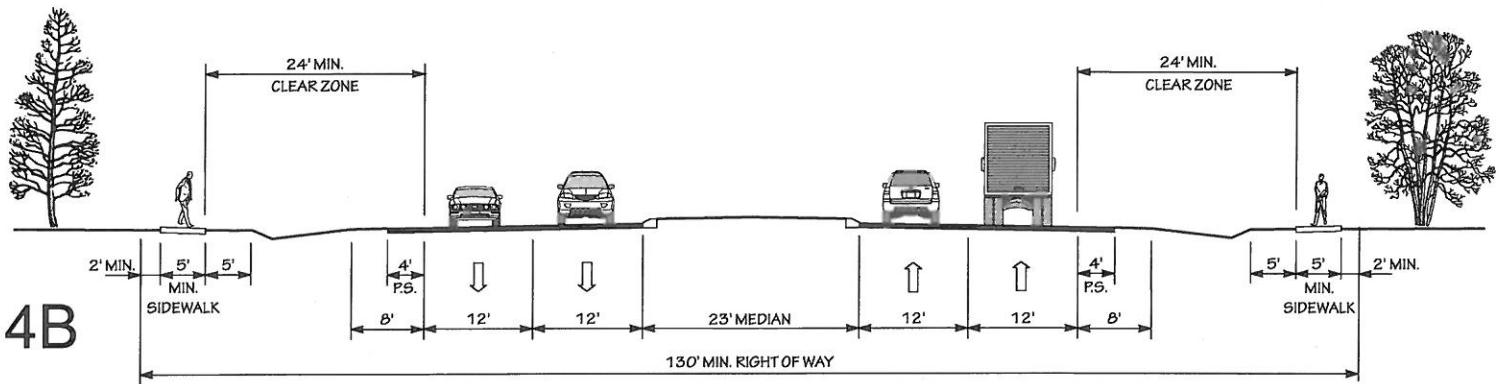


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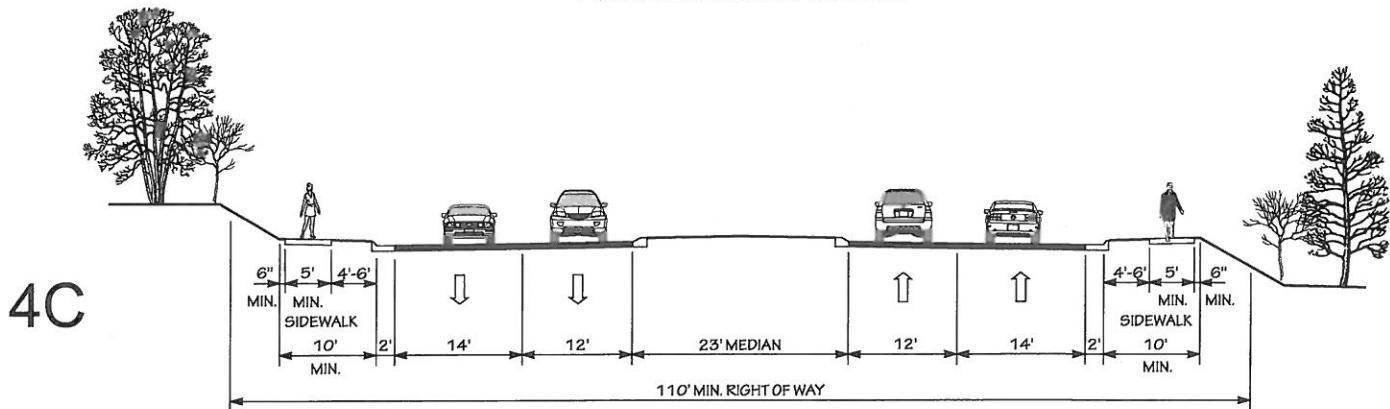
"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



4 LANE DIVIDED (46' DEPRESSED MEDIAN) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 45-70 MPH

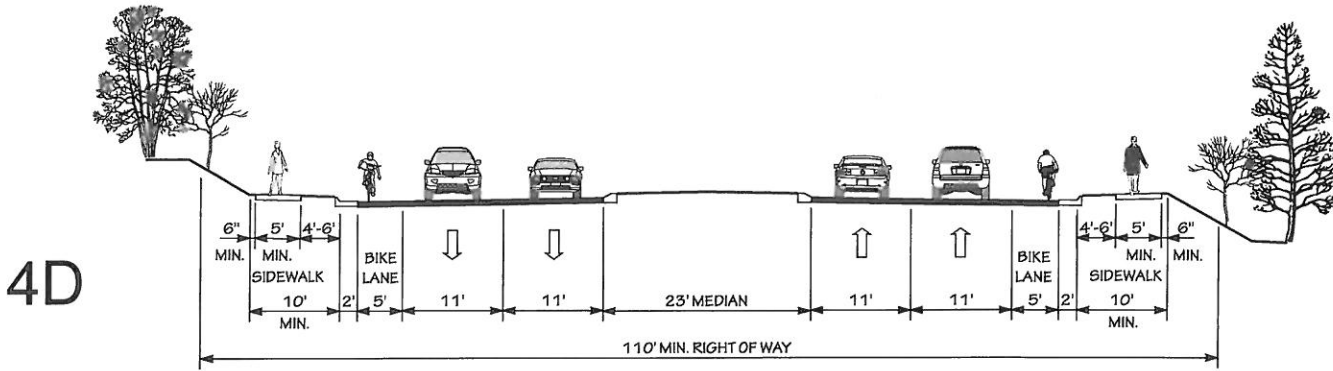


4 LANE DIVIDED (23' RAISED MEDIAN) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS AND SIDEWALKS
POSTED SPEED 35-55 MPH

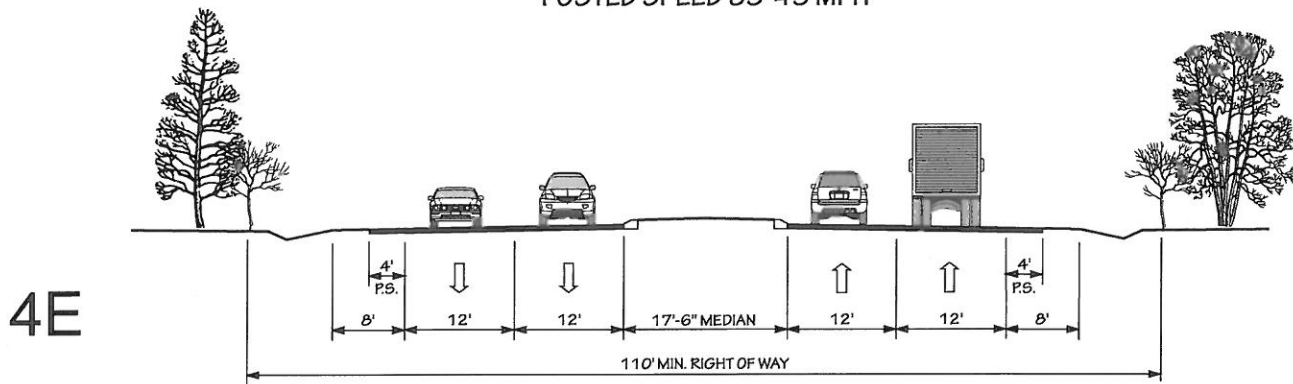


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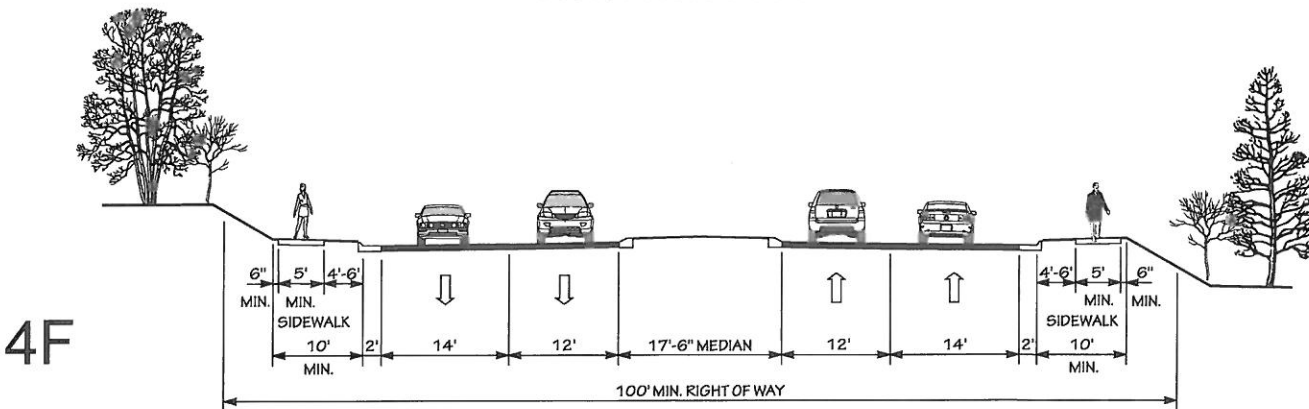
"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



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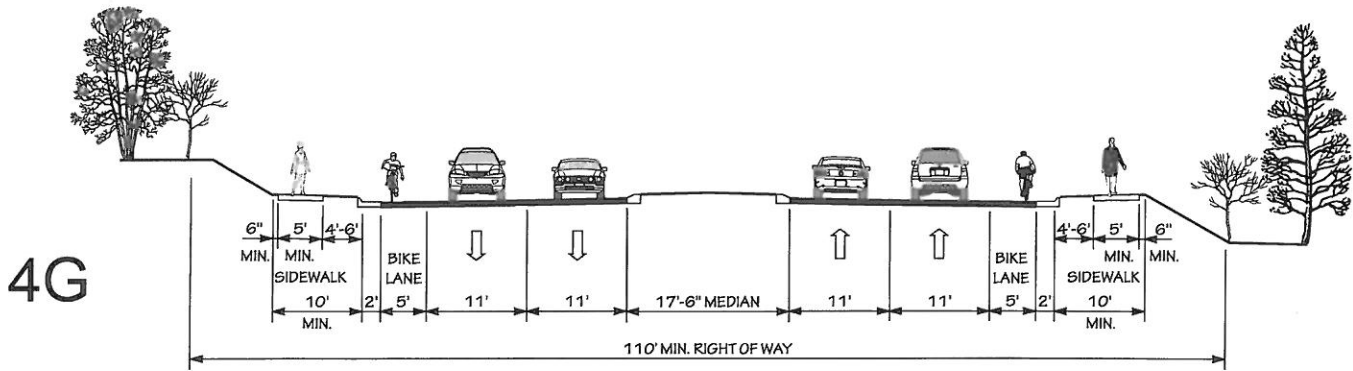


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PAVED SHOULDERS AND SIDEWALKS
POSTED SPEED 35-55 MPH



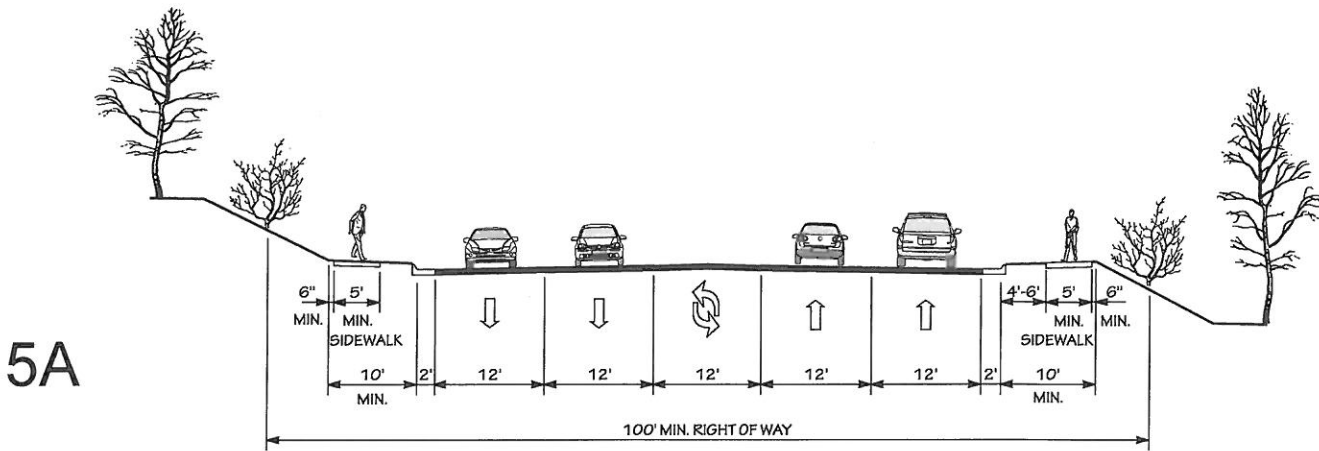
4 LANE DIVIDED (17'-6" RAISED MEDIAN) WITH CURB & GUTTER,
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"TYPICAL" HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



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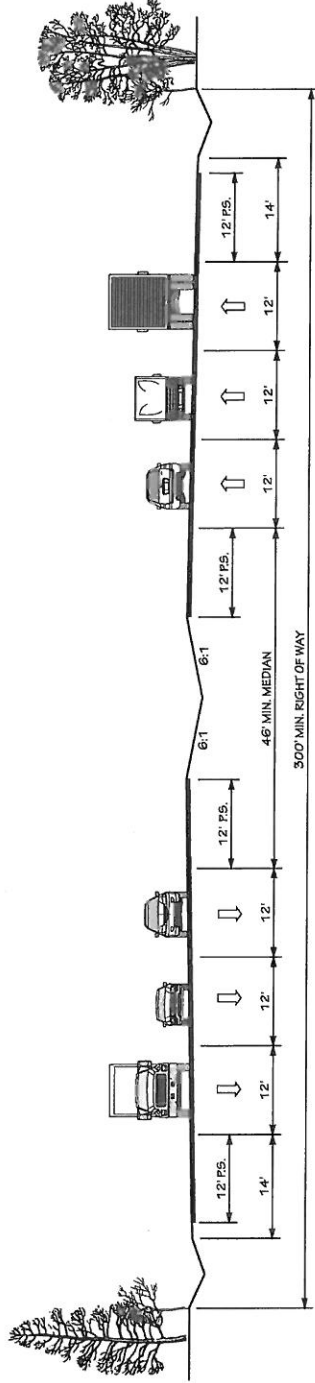
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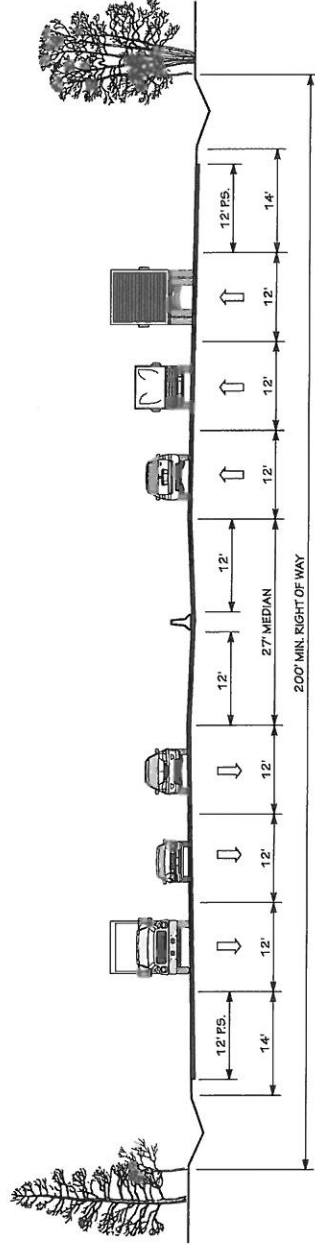
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4 LANE WITH TWO WAY LEFT TURN LANE, CURB & GUTTER,
AND SIDEWALKS
POSTED SPEED 35-45 MPH

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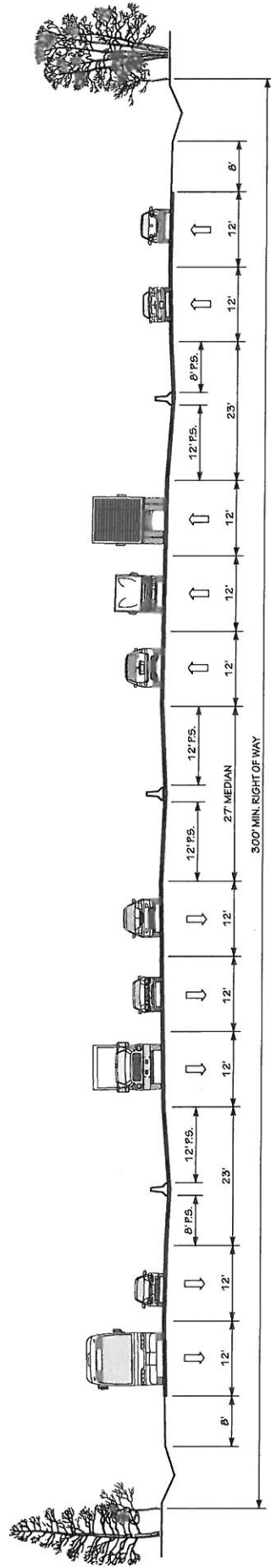


6A 6 LANE DIVIDED (46' DEPRESSED MEDIAN) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 45-70 MPH



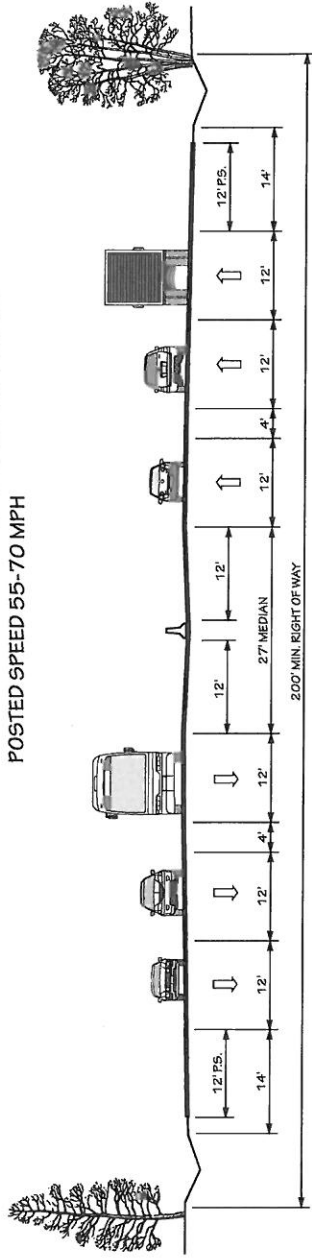
6B 6 LANE DIVIDED (27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER)
WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH

“TYPICAL” HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



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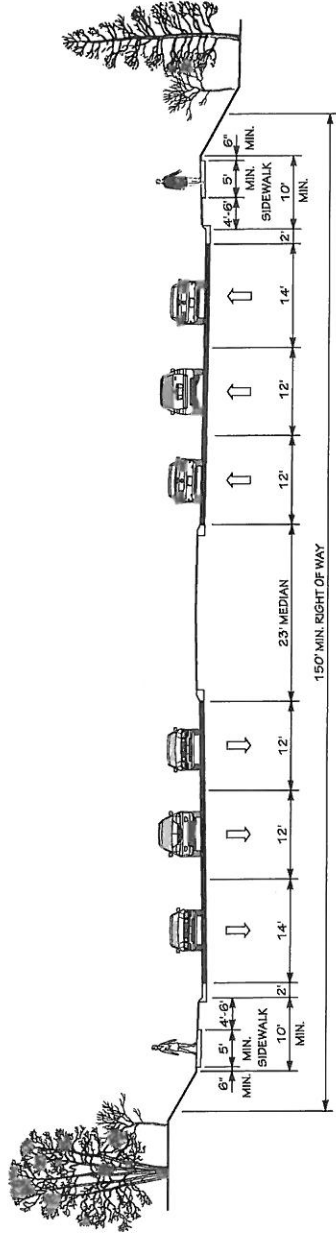
6 LANE FREEWAY (27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS AND 2 LANE ONE-WAY SERVICE ROADS EACH SIDE
 POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH



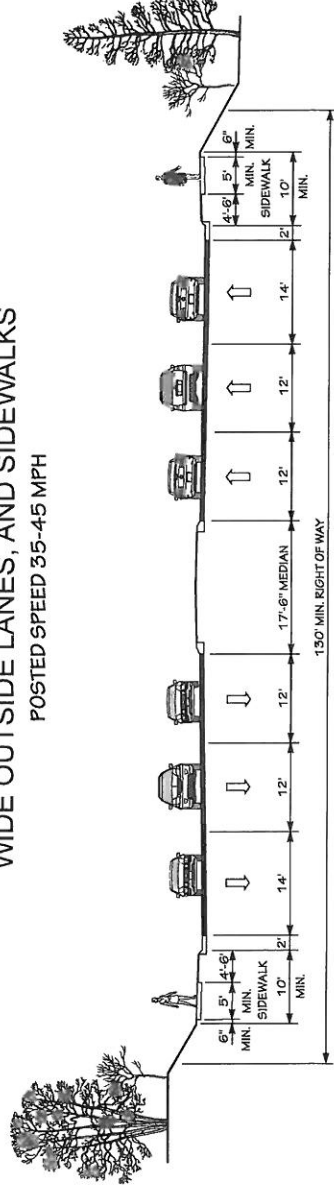
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6 LANE FREEWAY (4 GENERAL PURPOSE LANES, 2 MANAGED LANES, AND 27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
 POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH

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6E 6 LANE DIVIDED (23' RAISED MEDIAN) WITH CURB & GUTTER,
WIDE OUTSIDE LANES, AND SIDEWALKS
POSTED SPEED 35-45 MPH



6F 6 LANE DIVIDED (17'-6" RAISED MEDIAN) WITH CURB & GUTTER,
WIDE OUTSIDE LANES, AND SIDEWALKS
POSTED SPEED 35-45 MPH

CAMA COUNTIES

Beaufort

Bertie

Brunswick

Camden

Carteret

Chowan

Craven

Currituck

Dare

Gates

Hertford

Hyde

New Hanover

Onslow

Pamlico

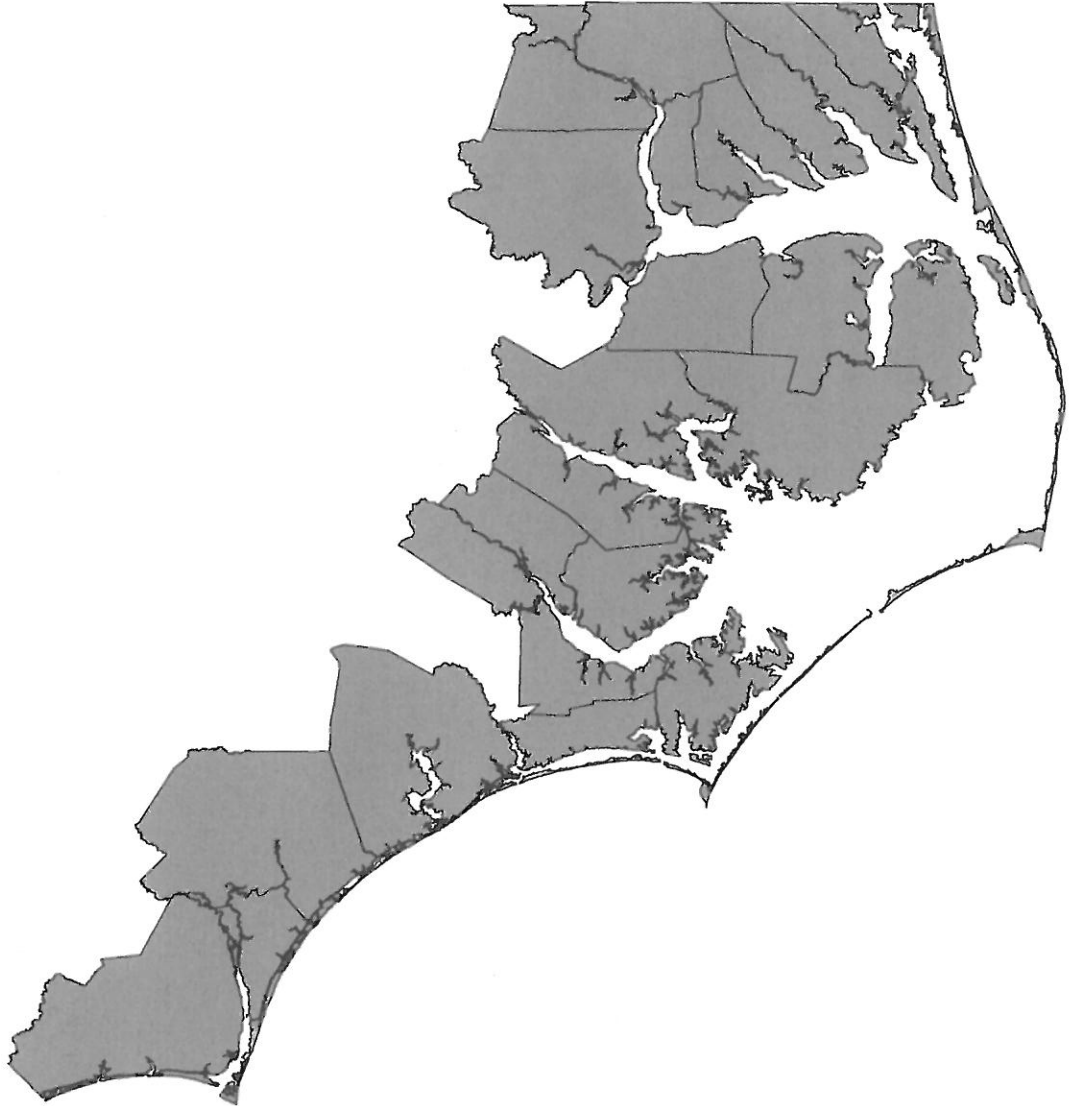
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Pender

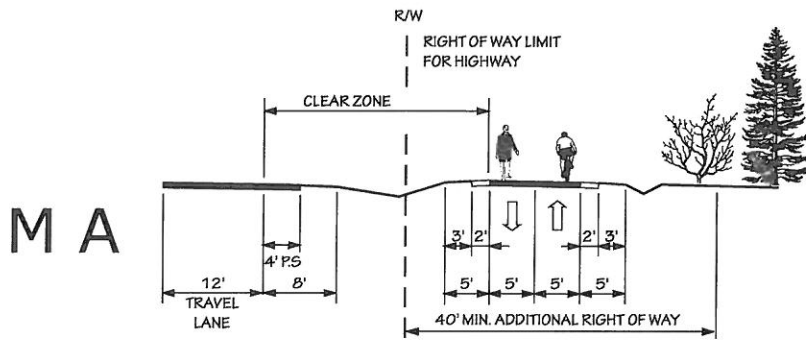
Perquimans

Tyrrell

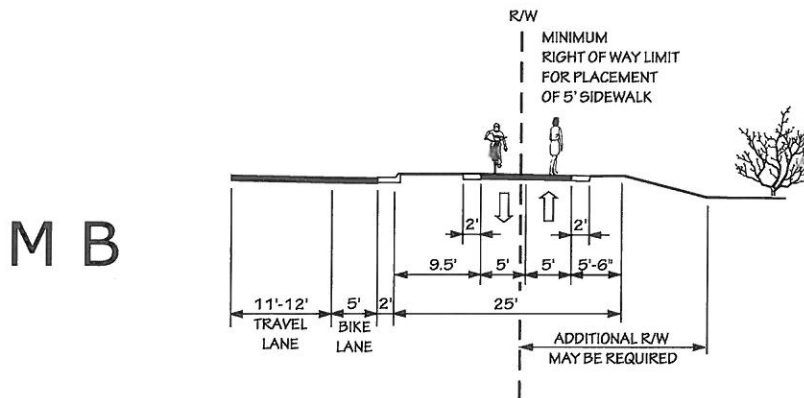
Washington



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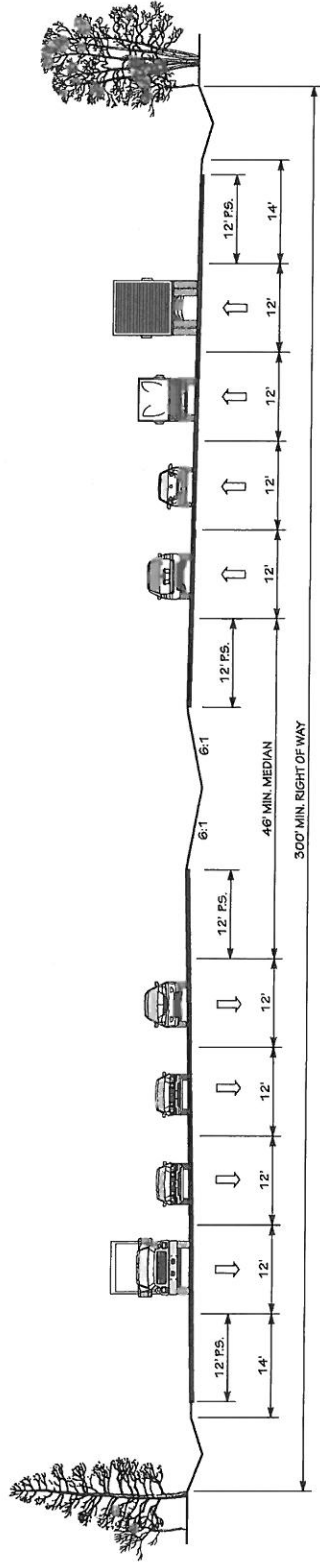


**MULTI - USE PATH
ADJACENT TO RIGHT OF WAY OR SEPARATE PATHWAY**

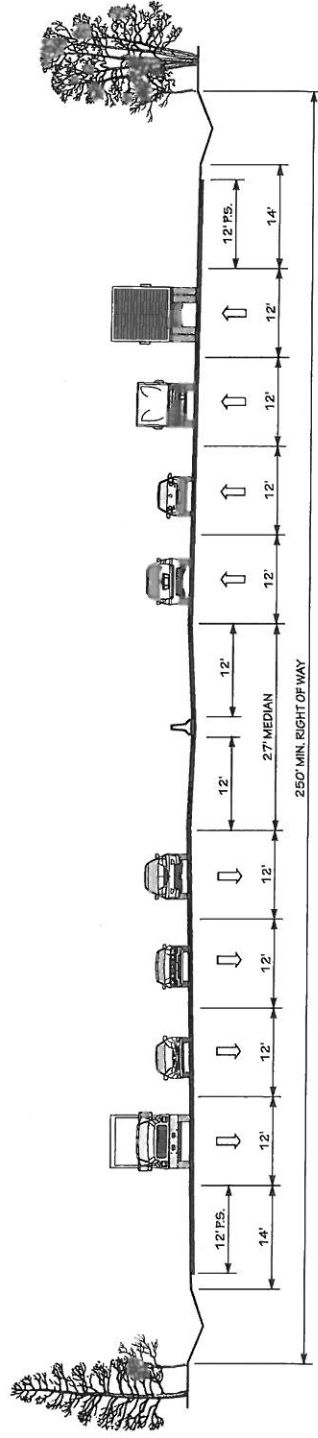


MULTI - USE PATH ADJACENT TO CURB AND GUTTER

“TYPICAL” HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS

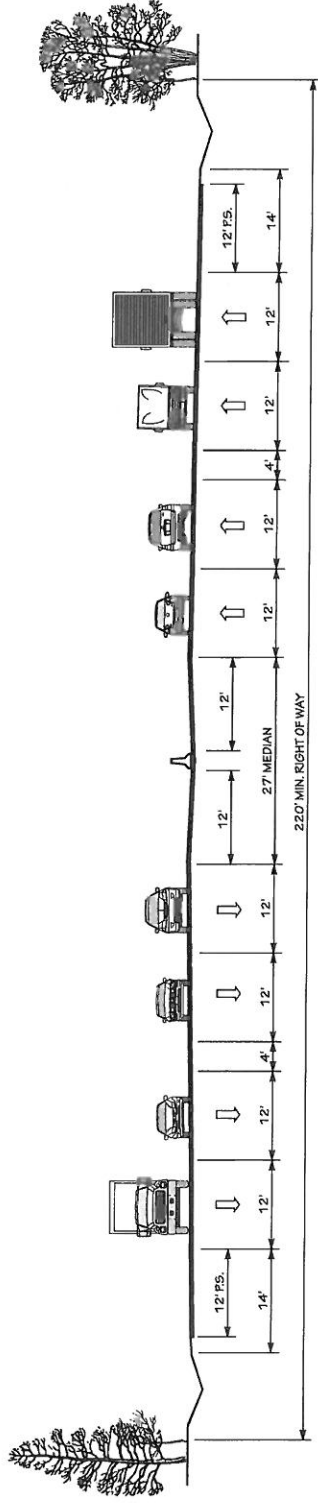


8A
8 LANE DIVIDED (46' DEPRESSED MEDIAN) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
 POSTED SPEED 45-70 MPH

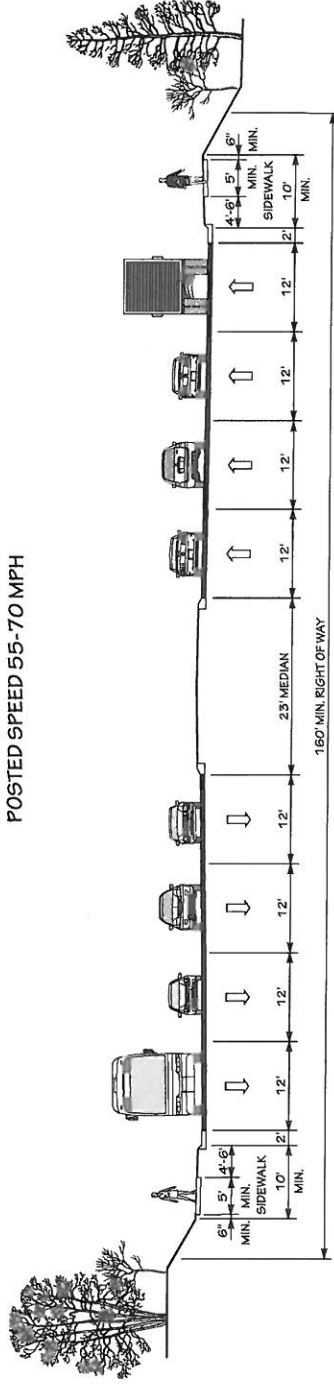


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WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
 POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH

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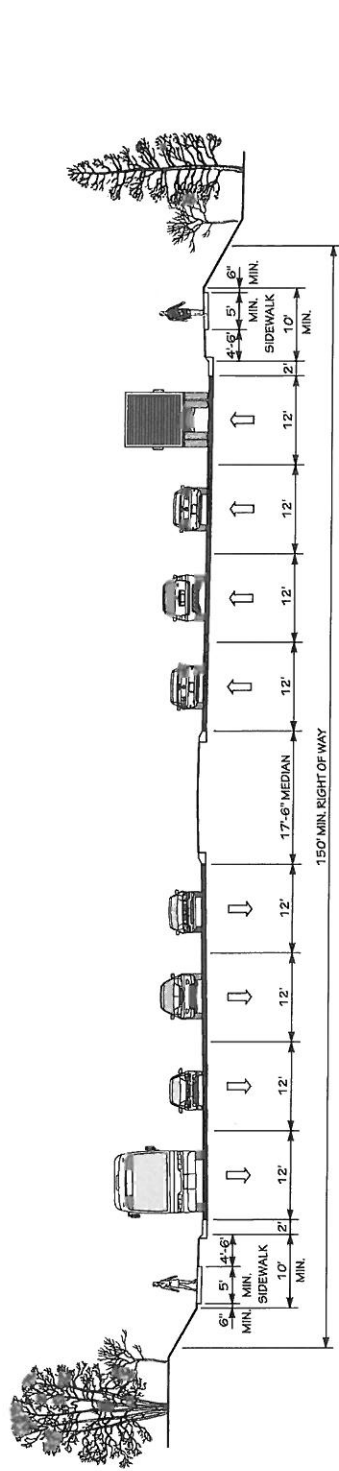


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POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH



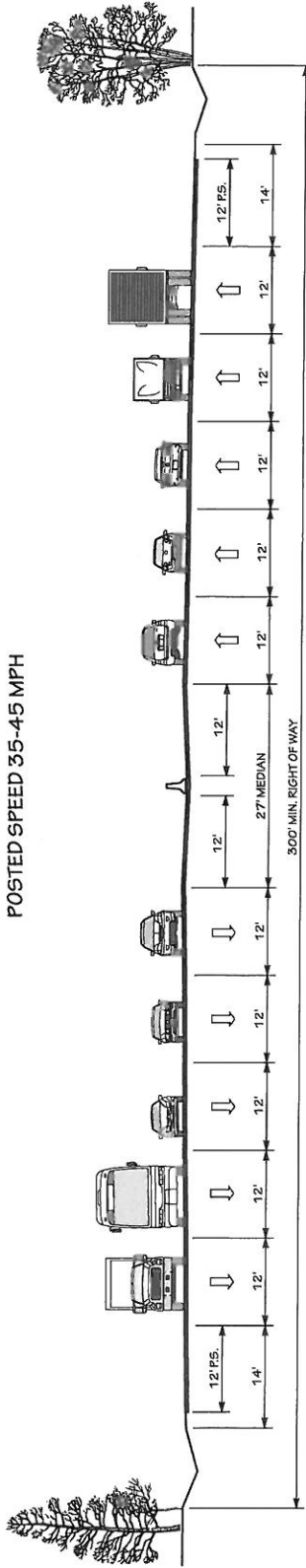
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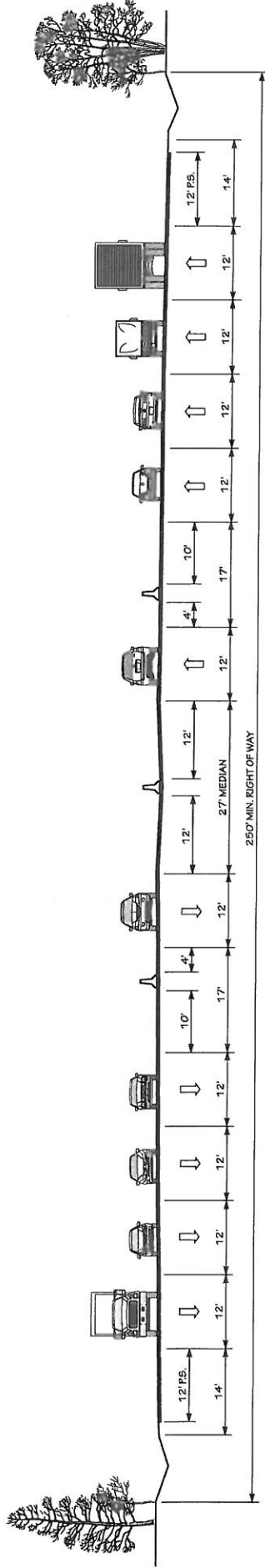
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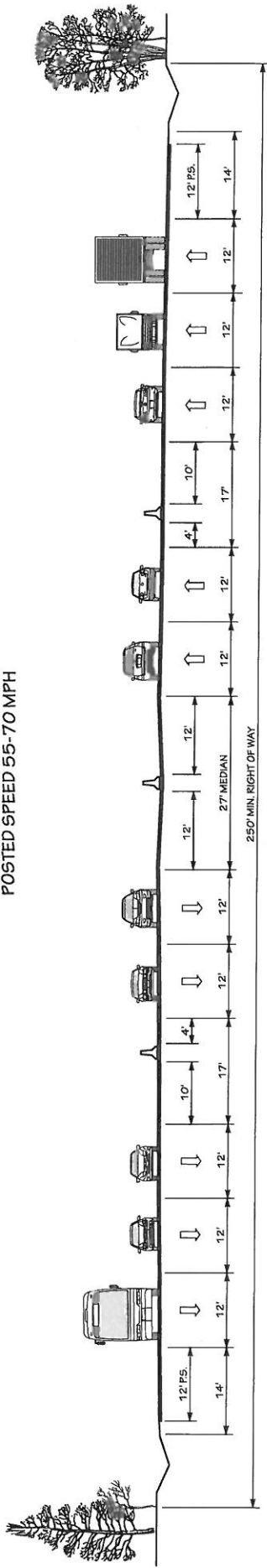
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10 LANE DIVIDED (27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
 POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH

“TYPICAL” HIGHWAY CROSS SECTIONS



10B 10 LANE FREEWAY (8 GENERAL PURPOSE LANES, 2 MANAGED LANES, AND 27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH



10C 10 LANE FREEWAY (6 GENERAL PURPOSE LANES, 4 MANAGED LANES, AND 27' MEDIAN WITH JERSEY BARRIER) WITH PAVED SHOULDERS
POSTED SPEED 55-70 MPH

