



Harlem River Greenway

Selected Routes + Draft Plan

March 2025



Code of Conduct

Purpose

This code of conduct is intended to facilitate respectful and productive community conversations at public events and workshops. Participants who violate the conduct will be removed from the workshop.

Community Guidelines

Listen. Listen intently and without judgment so we may learn from one another's experiences and perspectives, even if they differ from our own. Do not interrupt others when they are talking.

Share the air. Take a step back if you are dominating the conversation and share responsibility for including all voices in the discussion.

Treat others with respect and dignity. Treat people as having intrinsic value and allow them to maintain their sense of worth and well-being. Don't make assumptions about how people want to be addressed.

Show empathy. Demonstrate the ability to recognize and respect how someone feels. No hate speech, discrimination, harassment or violence of any kind will be tolerated.

Be present. Focus on the conversation at hand. Use of videography or audio recording devices—particularly during group discussions—is strongly discouraged as it can make fellow participants feel uncomfortable.

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Prohibited Behaviors

The following behaviors will not be tolerated and will result in the immediate removal of the participant from the event:

Harassment and Discrimination

- Verbal abuse, slurs, or derogatory comments
- Discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, gender, sexual orientation, or any protected status
- Intimidation or threatening behavior

Disruptive Conduct

- Preventing others from speaking or participating
- Sustained interruption of presentations or discussions
- Refusing to follow facilitator instructions
- Using amplified devices without authorization
- Deliberately exceeding allocated speaking time after warnings
- Any other conduct intended to disrupt the event

Physical Misconduct

- Any form of physical violence or threatening gestures
- Intentional physical contact without consent
- Damaging or defacing venue property or any workshop materials

Other Prohibited Actions

- Bringing weapons or dangerous materials to events
- Deliberately spreading misinformation to disrupt proceedings

New York City DOT reserves the right to determine whether any action violates the rules above. NYCDOT also reserves the right to end the meeting at any point to ensure safety of staff and attendees.

Agenda

- **Presentation:**
Introductions, background, and presentation of Draft Plan (30 mins)
- **Open House:**
Detailed review; DOT staff on hand to answer questions and take comments (1.5 hours)



Project Team

City Team



Community Partners



Consultant Support



Project Goals

7-mile continuous greenway

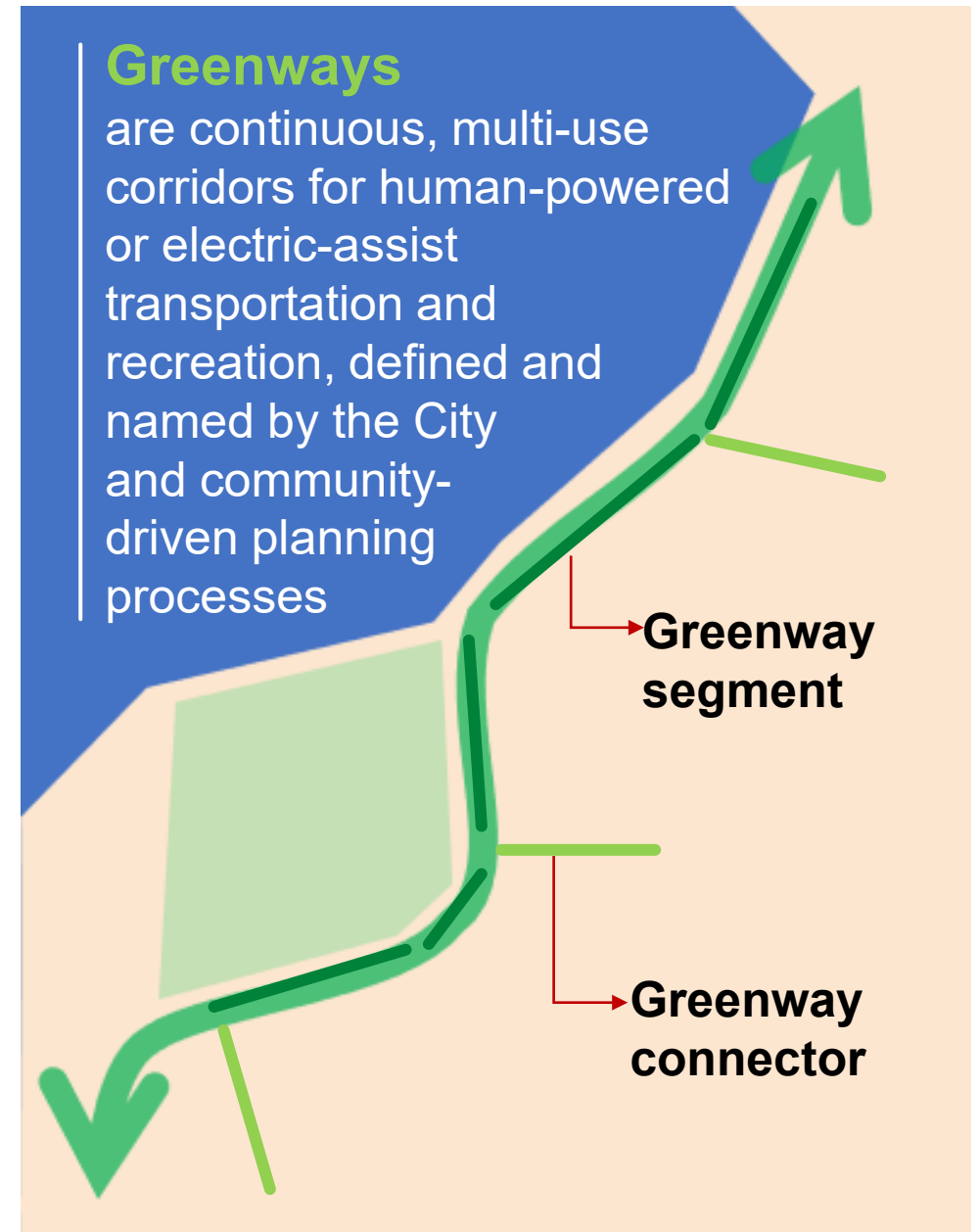
- **Create a continuous and connected path** for cyclists, pedestrians, runners, and others
- **New transportation option** both for recreation and commuting
- **Connect people to the waterfront and parks**
- **Provide convenient and safe connections** to greenway paths from the local street network.



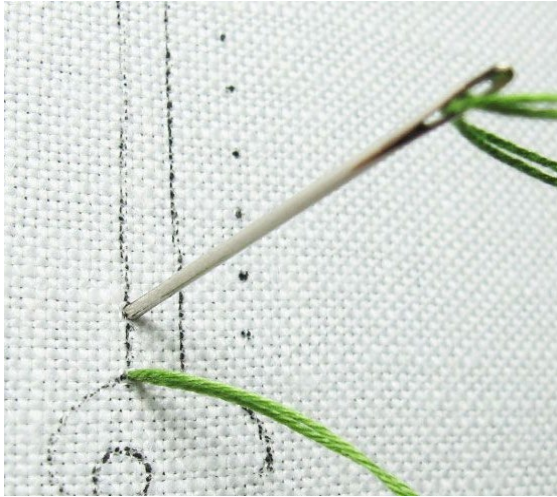
What is a Greenway?



- **Continuity** is key
- Used for both **transportation** and **recreation**
- Used by **cyclists** and **pedestrians**, among others
- Often along natural and man-made linear spaces (rail/ highway rights-of-way, rivers, waterfronts, and parks)



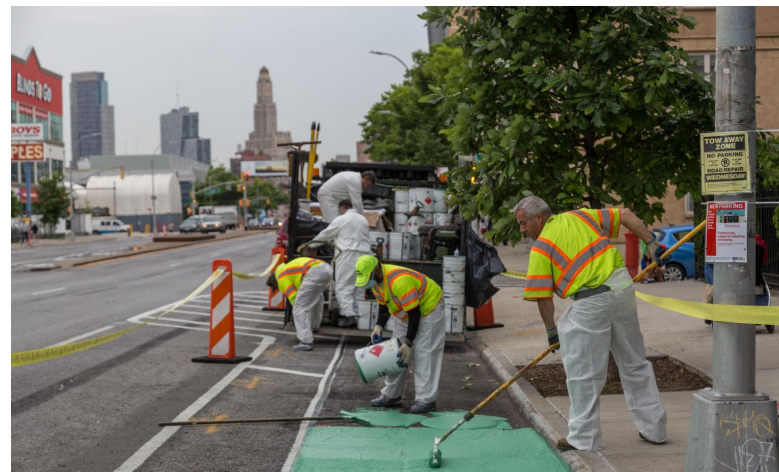
What is an Implementation Plan?



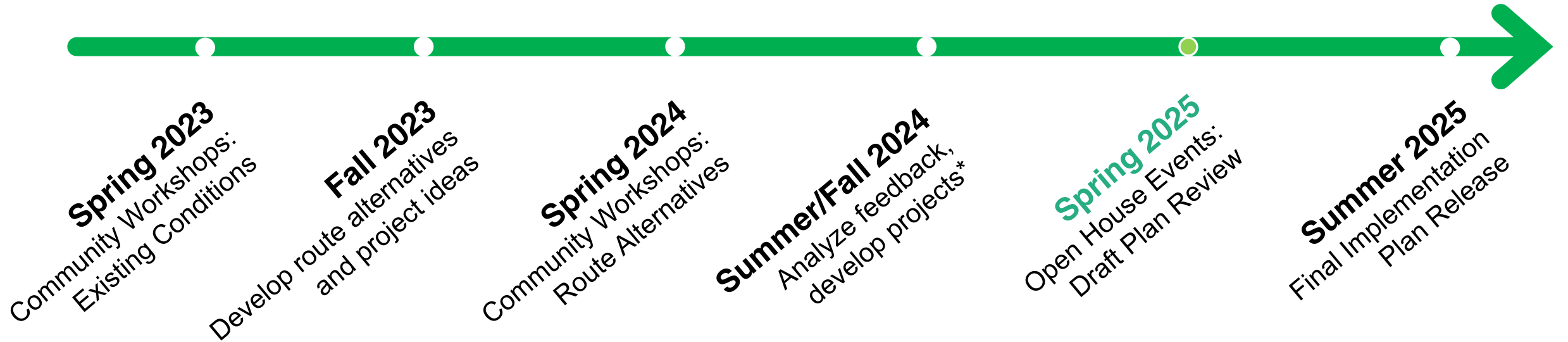
Community-driven plan:
draw continuous line on the map

Quick-build projects: use DOT in-house resources, build momentum

Long-term projects: Tackle key sections with capital projects



Project Timeline



Throughout:
Community Engagement,
Implement Near-term Projects

*Note: all future projects will be
presented to Community Boards*

Where we've been: collecting ideas, feedback

2 years of outreach at over 30 events



**Car Free Earth Day,
April 22, 2023**



**Hike the Heights,
June 3, 2023**



**Bike the Block Alexander Ave,
June 10, 2023**



**Helmet Giveaway,
July 7, 2023**



**Fish Parade,
June 18, 2023**



**We are Melrose,
July 8, 2023**



**South Bronx Unite, City of Water Day
July 15, 2023**



**Summer Streets Grand Concourse
August 26, 2023**

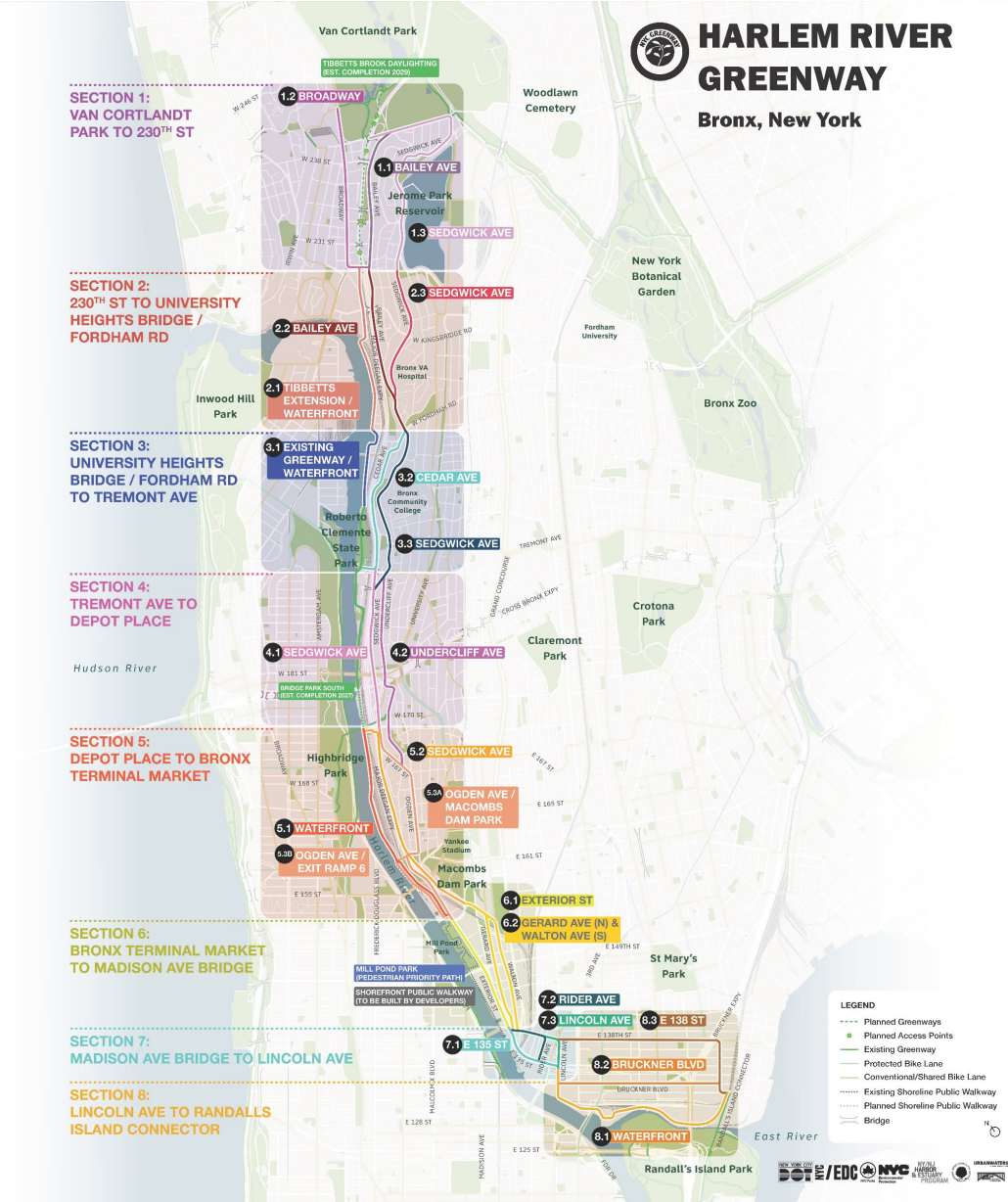
Where we've been: discussing route alternatives



3.14.2024 Workshop at Bronx Community College



3.19.2024 Workshop at Bronx Brewery



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Selected Route

Spring 2024 workshops focused largely on on-street routes and yielded clear preferences.

In almost all cases, the preference was for the closest continuous street to the water:

- Bailey Ave
- Sedgwick Ave/Depot Pl
- Exterior St/E 135th Street
- Lincoln Ave/Bruckner Blvd



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Proposed Projects

On-Street Projects (13)

- NYC DOT-owned roadways
- Includes both **near-term** and **long-term** configurations
- Complemented by **connectors** which provide access from the waterfront into the rest of the network, often perpendicular to main greenway alignment

Partnership Opportunities (7)

- Projects outside of NYC DOT's jurisdiction with longer timeline

Complementary!
Not "either / or"

Note: all future projects will be presented to Community Boards



Planning Area: Van Cortlandt Park and Kingsbridge

Van Cortlandt Park



Putnam Greenway Trail

1 VAN CORTLANDT PARK CONNECTION

A VAN CORTLANDT PARK SOUTH ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADES

B TIBBETTS BROOK DAYLIGHTING

2 BAILEY AVE NORTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

3 BAILEY AVE SOUTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

C KINGSBRIDGE WATERFRONT EXTENSION

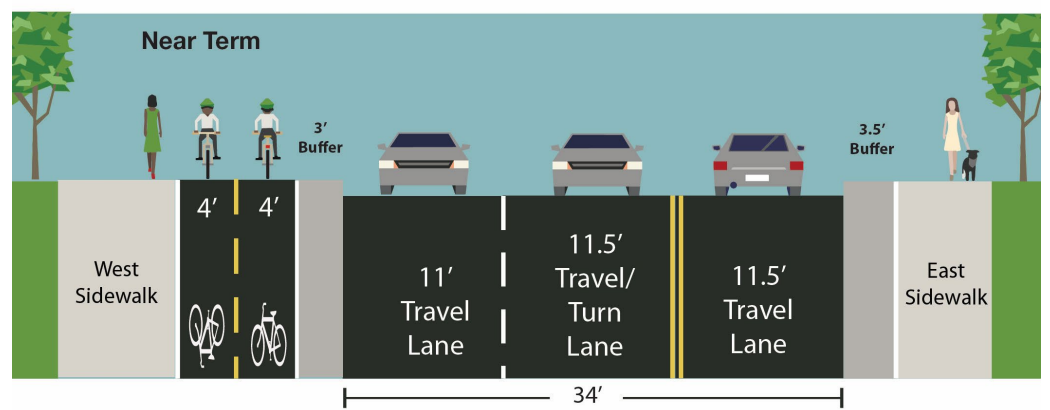
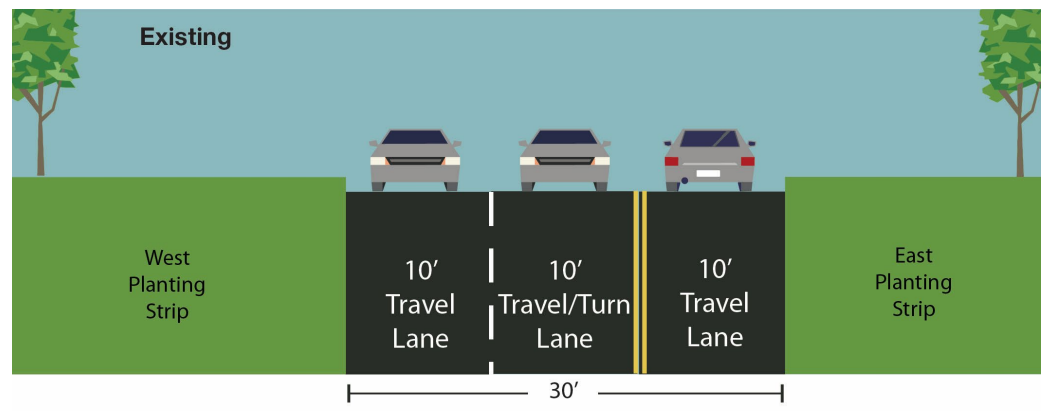
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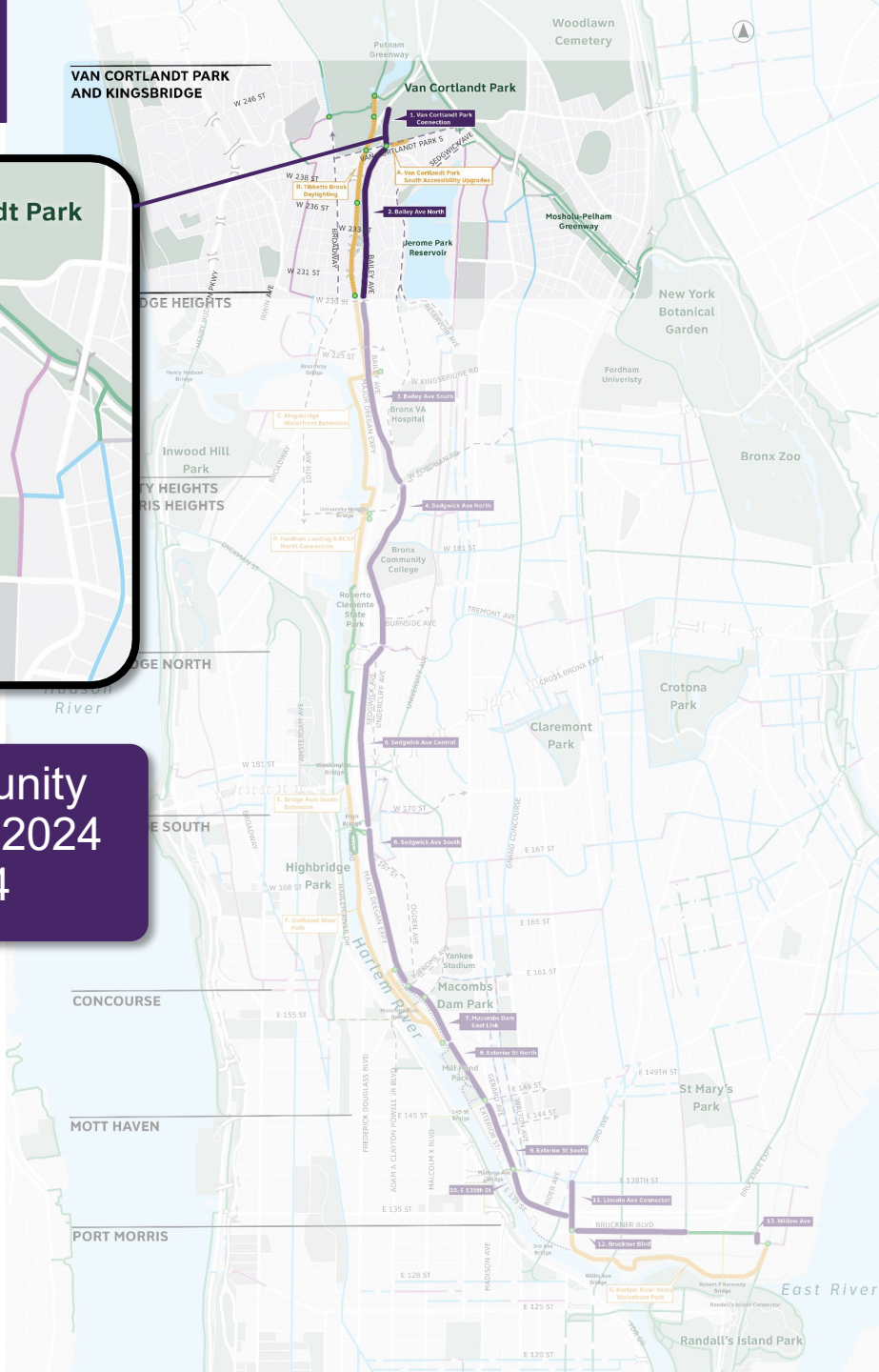


1. Van Cortlandt Park Connection

From I-87 Exit 11 Off-Ramp to Van Cortlandt Park South

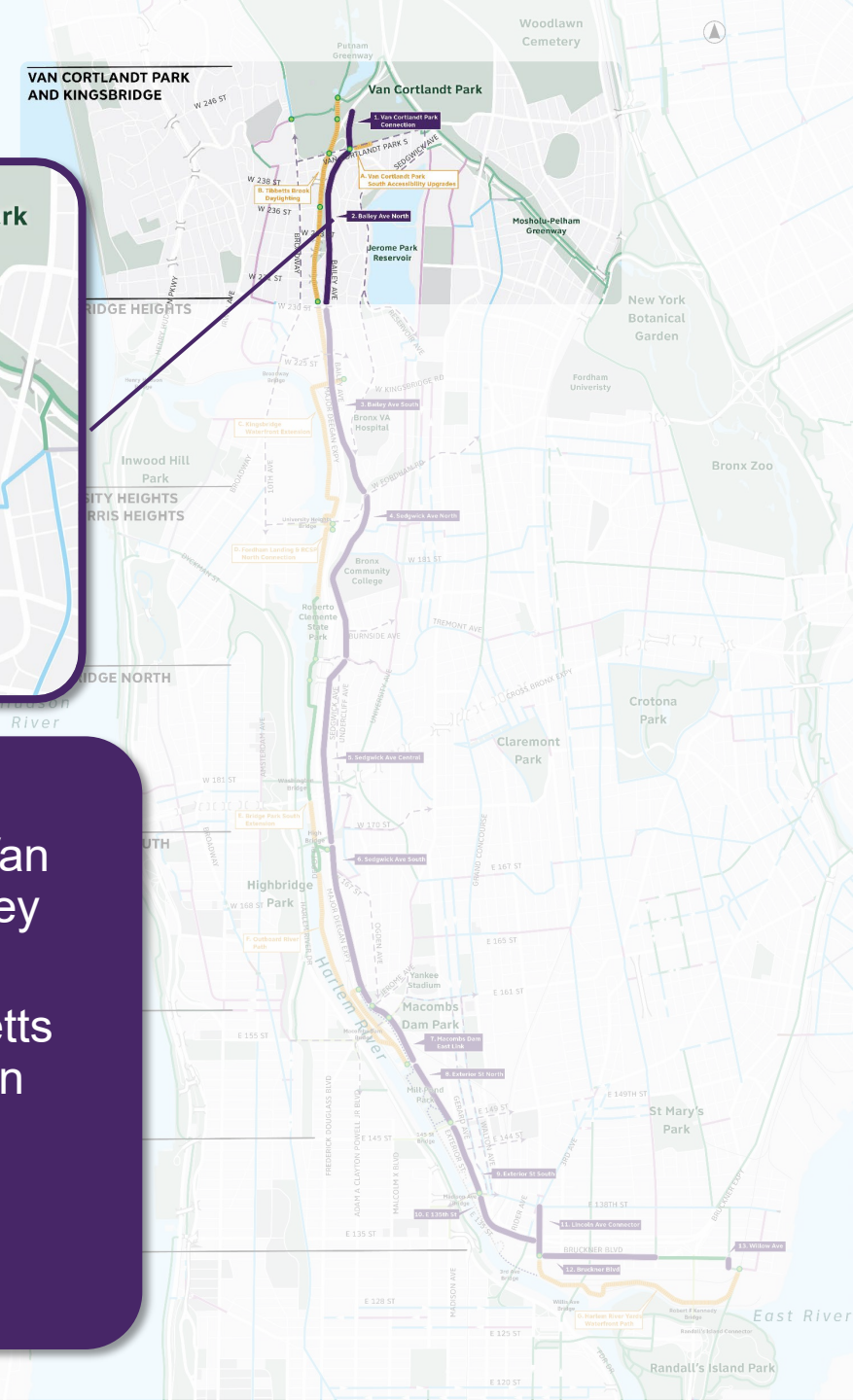
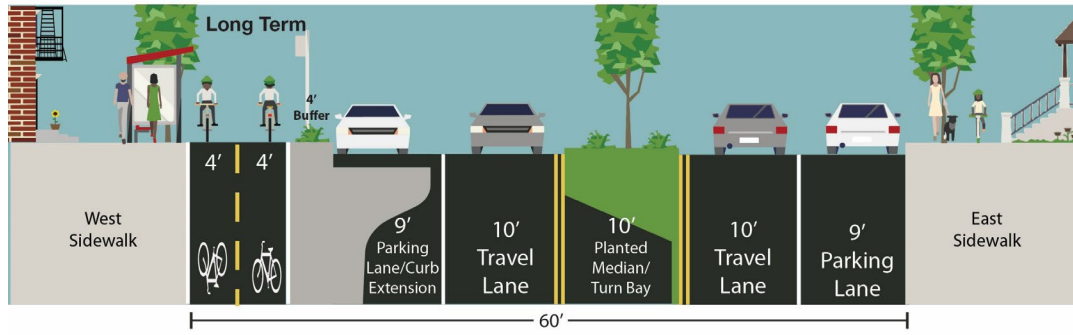
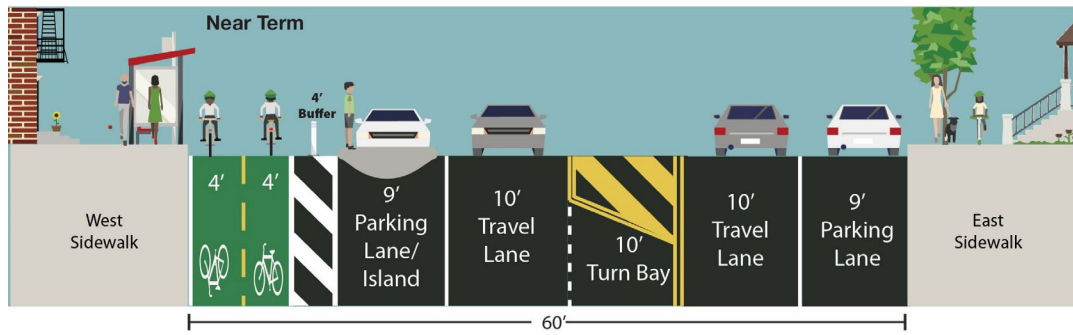
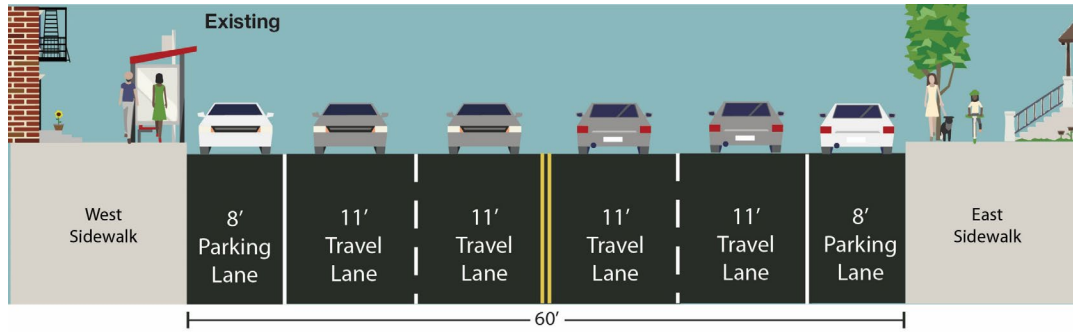


Presented to Community Board 8 in February 2024 and September 2024



2. Bailey Ave North Corridor Improvements

From Van Cortlandt Park South to 230th Street



- Selection rationale**
- Direct access into Van Cortlandt Park, Bailey Playground
 - Complements Tibbetts by providing route on east side of Major Deegan
 - Opportunity to calm speeding traffic

To be presented to BxCB8 on April 17th

A. Van Cortlandt Park South: Accessibility Upgrades



Potential partnership opportunity with **NYC Parks**



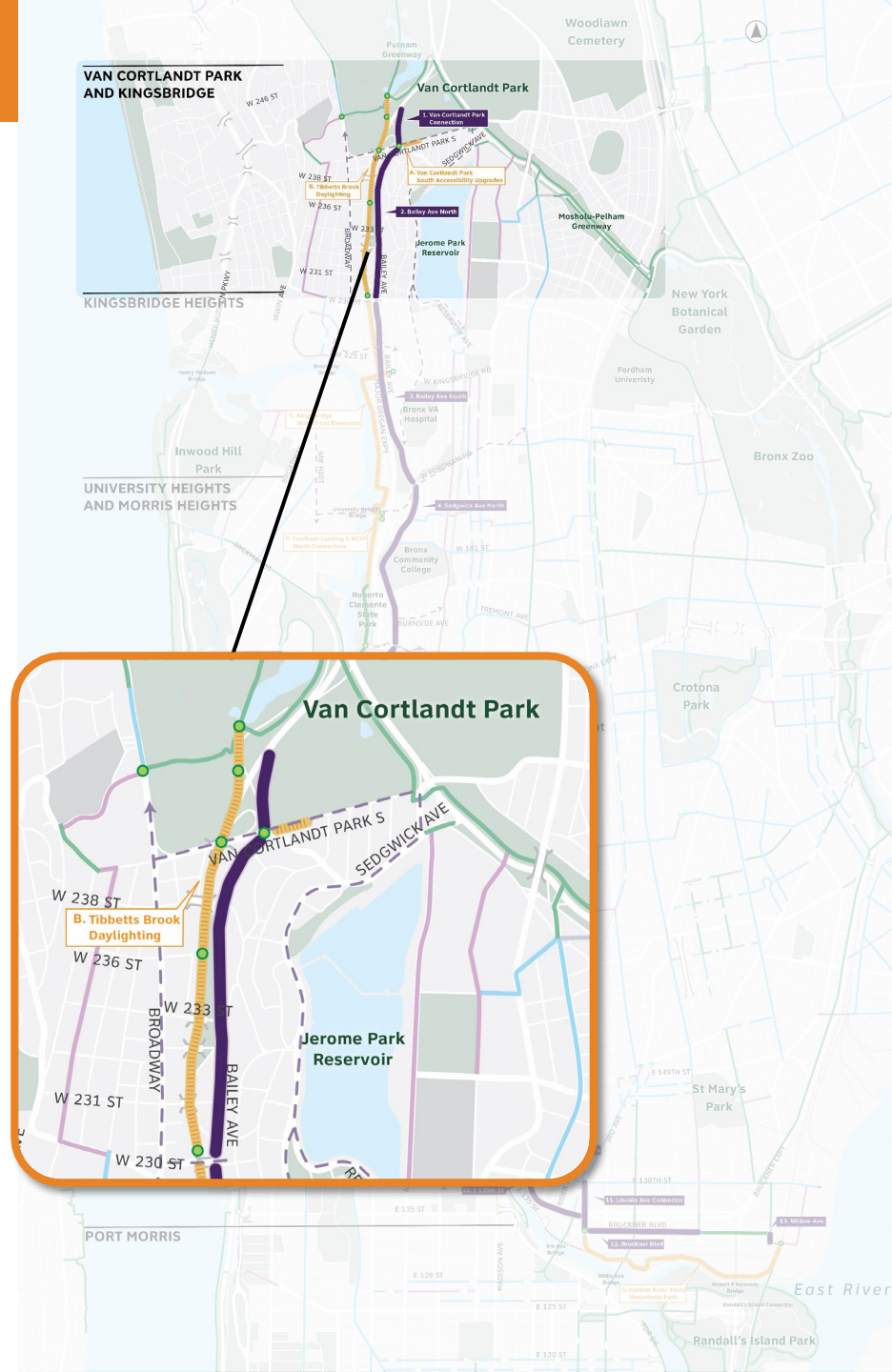
Area for future study, considering tree impacts, slope, and user safety

B. Tibbetts Brook Daylighting



Partnership with **NYC Parks** and **NYC DEP**

Anticipated opening: 2030



Planning Area: Kingsbridge Heights



New York Botanical Garden

Fordham University

Lehman College

Bronx VA Hospital

Devoe Park

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BROADWAY

BROADWAY BRIDGE

W 230TH ST

W 225TH ST

207th Street Rail Yard

HARLEM RIVER

BAILEY AVENUE

METRO-NORTH HUDSON LINE

MAJOR DEEGAN EXPRESSWAY

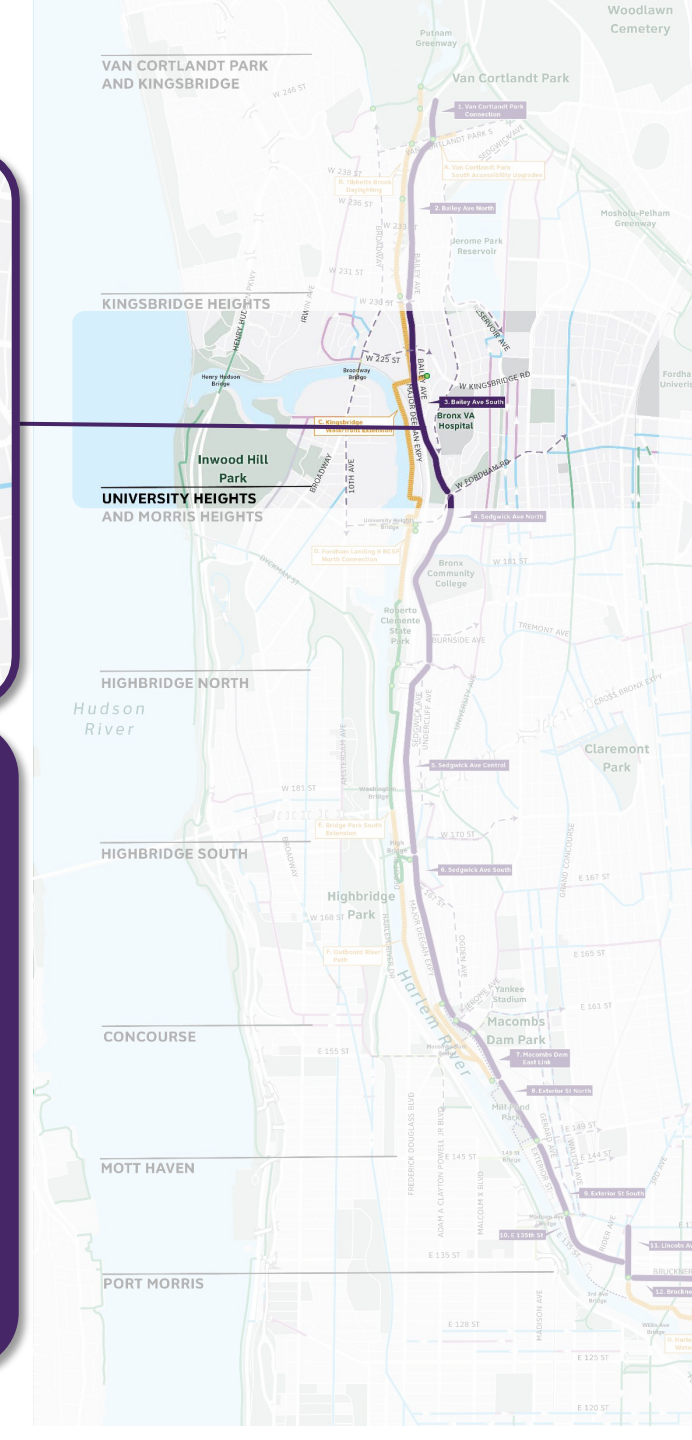
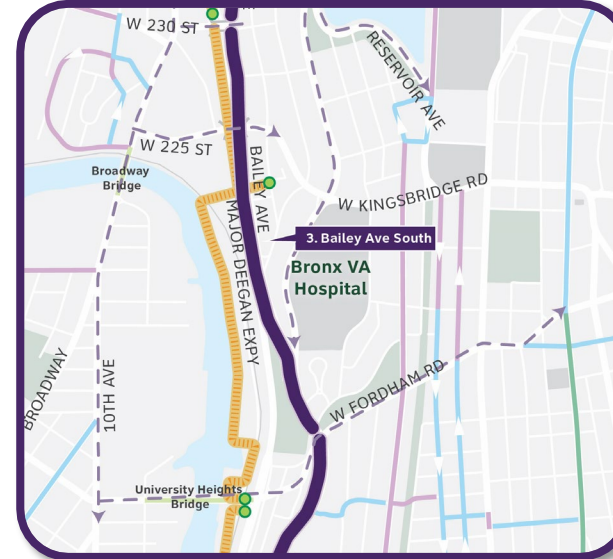
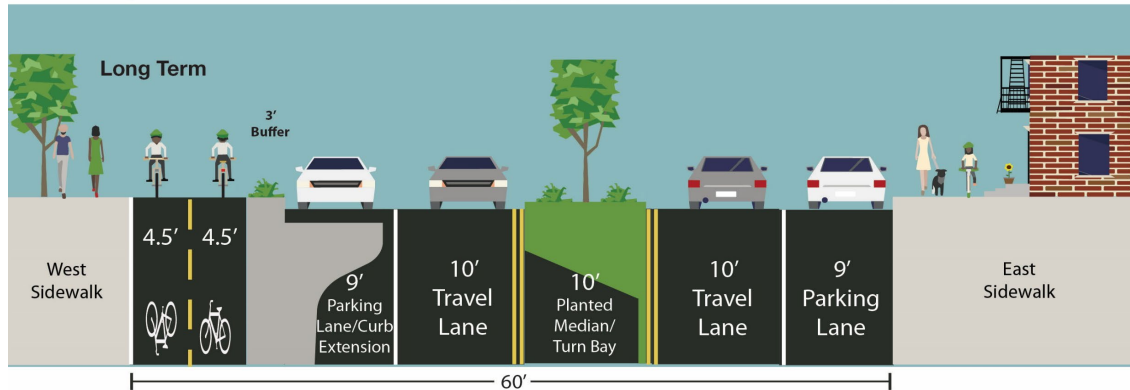
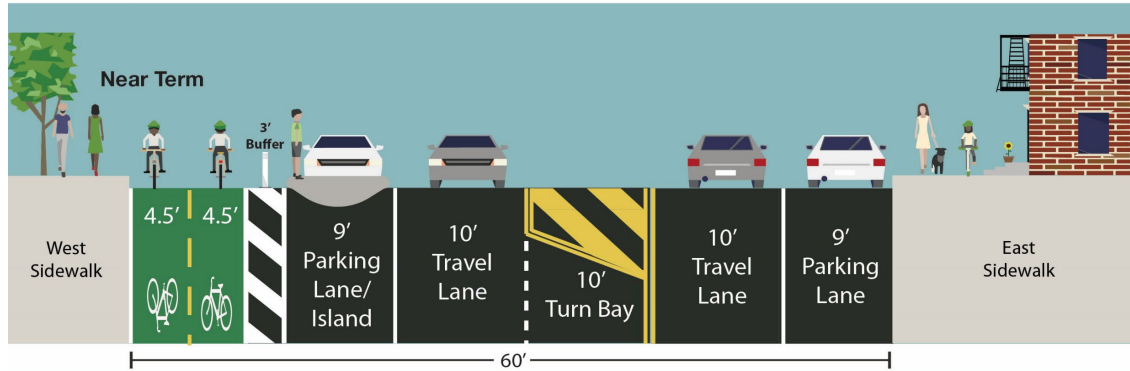
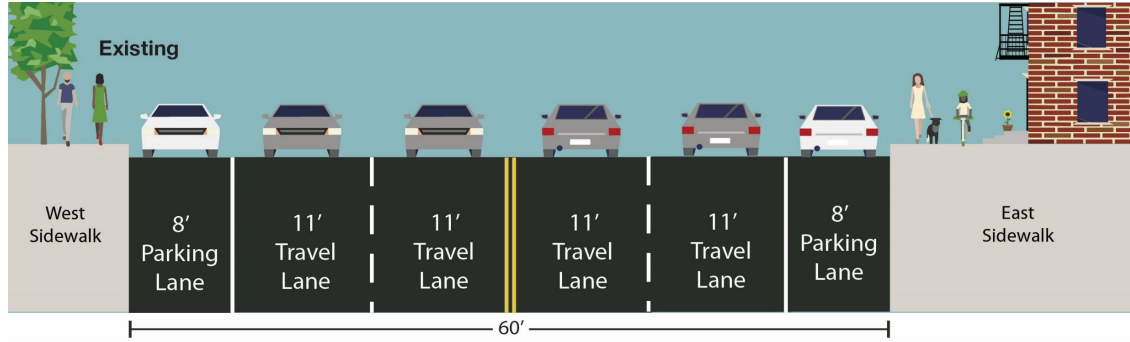
SEDGWICK AVENUE

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3. Bailey Ave South Corridor Improvements

From 230th St to W Fordham Rd

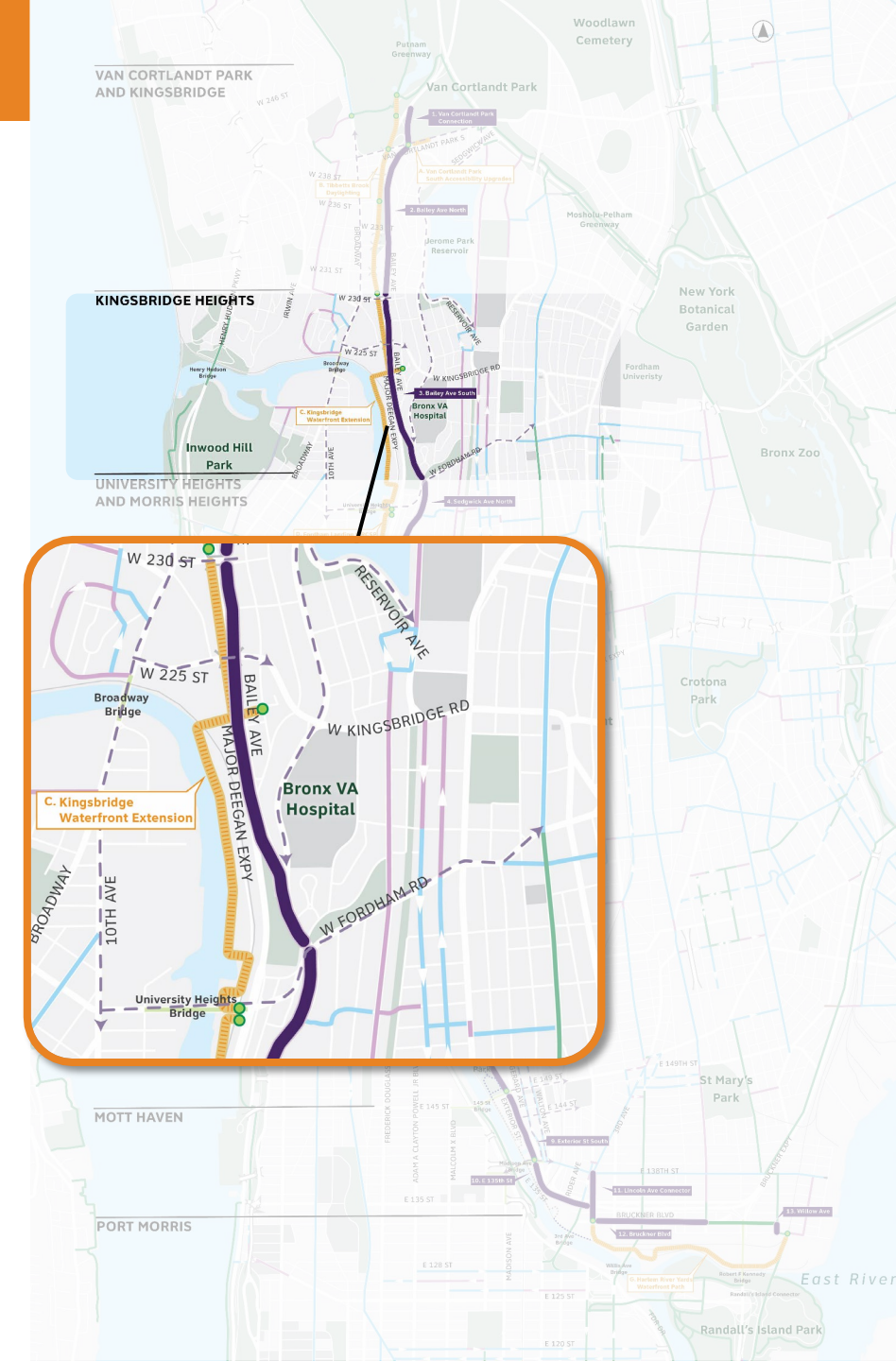


- ## Selection rationale
- Direct access into Van Cortlandt Park, Bailey Playground
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 - Connection to southern terminus of Tibbetts Brook project (at 230th St)

C. Kingsbridge Waterfront Extension



Potential partnership opportunity with landowners:
MTA Metro-North and **private developer** (Dynamic Star)



Planning Area: University Heights and Morris Heights



UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS BRIDGE

FORDHAM LANDING + RCSP NORTH CONNECTION **D**

Bronx Community College

4 SEDGWICK AVE NORTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

Roberto Clemente State Park

An aerial of the planning area from Van Cortlandt Park to Kingsbridge

Highbridge Park

HARLEM RIVER

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ROBERTO CLEMENTE STATE PARK BRIDGE

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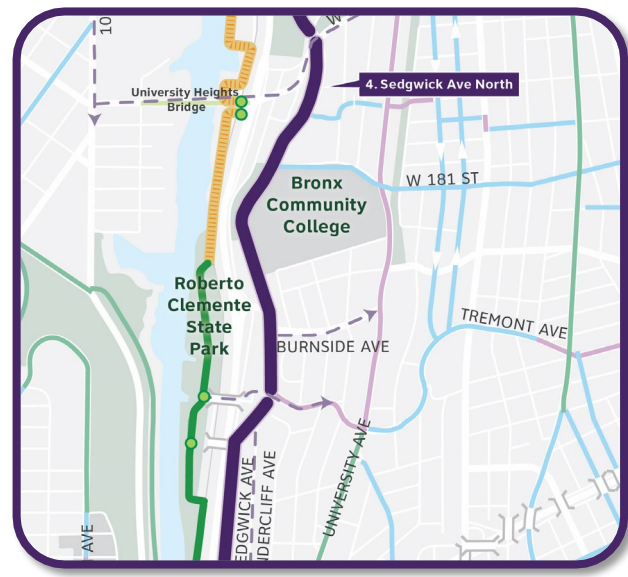
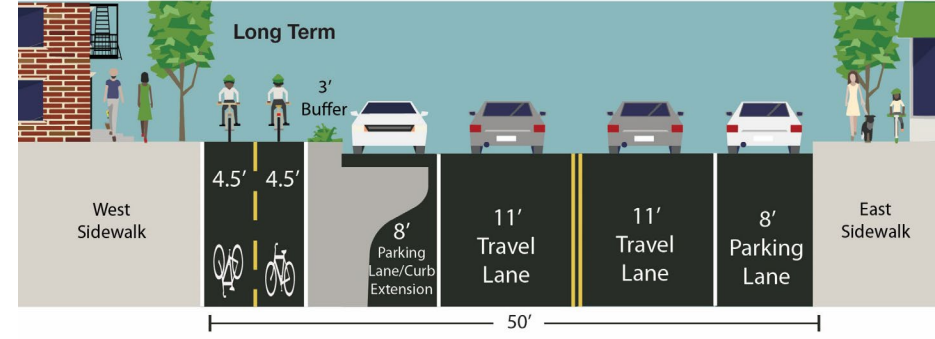
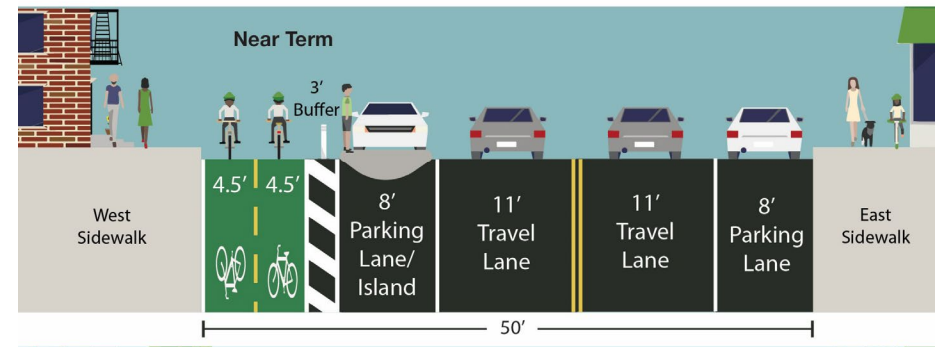
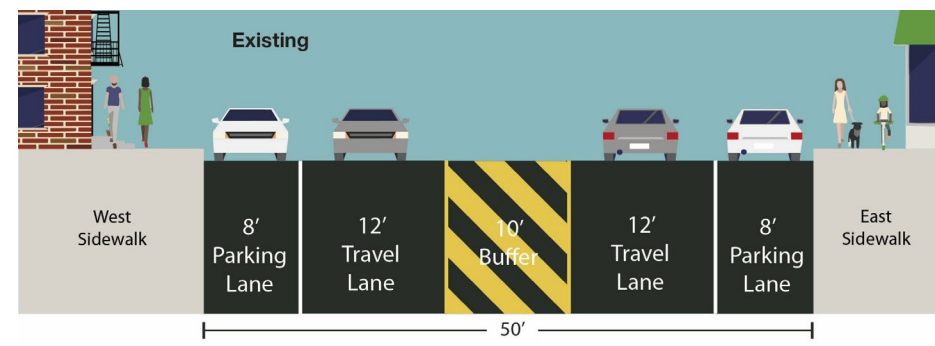
MONTGOMERY AVENUE

POPHAM AVENUE

UNDERCLIFF AVENUE

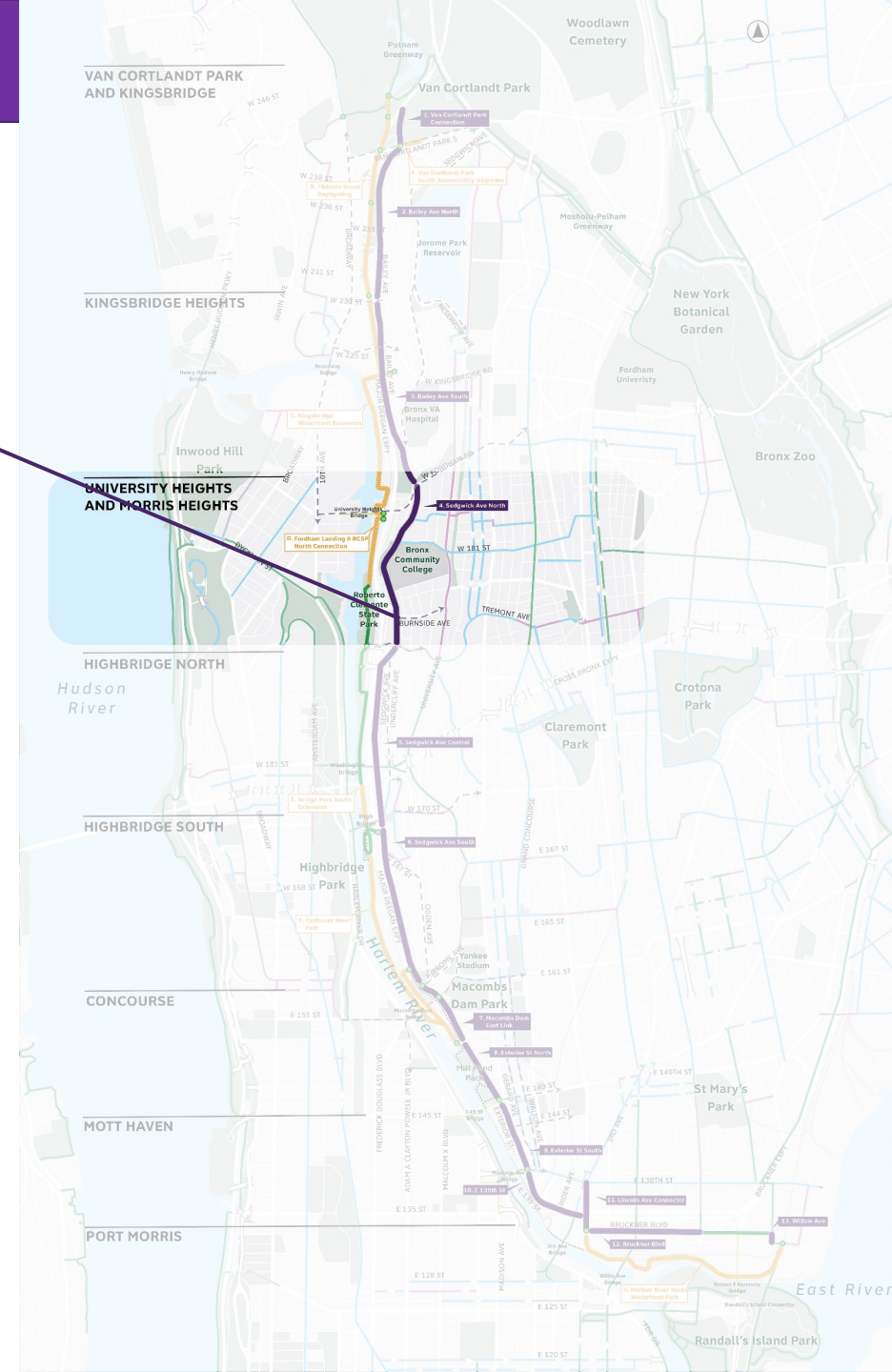
4. Sedgwick North Corridor Improvements

From Fordham Rd to Tremont Ave



Selection rationale

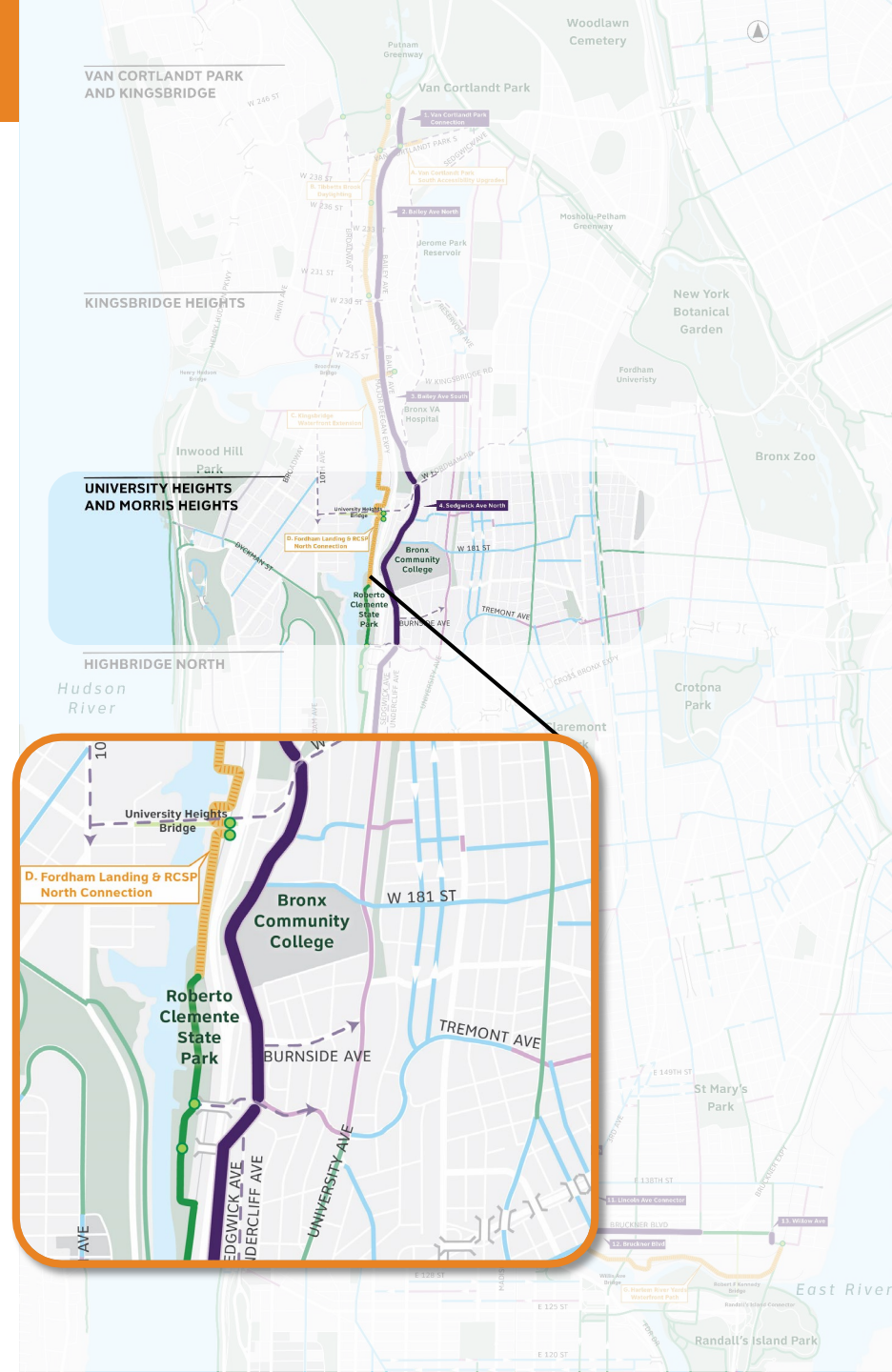
- Access to Bronx Community College
- Direct continuation of Bailey Ave
- Greenery and shady trees



D. Fordham Landing + RCSP North Access



Coordination required with **private landowner** (Dynamic Star)



Planning Area: Highbridge North



Roberto Clemente State Park

Bridge Park

WASHINGTON BRIDGE

ALEXANDER HAMILTON BRIDGE

BRIDGE PARK SOUTH EXTENSION E

THE HIGH BRIDGE

HARLEM RIVER DRIVE

HARLEM RIVER

UNDERCLIFF AVENUE

Sedgwick Playground

CROSS BRONX EXPRESSWAY

5 SEDGWICK AVE CENTRAL CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

SEDGWICK AVENUE

EDWARD L GRANT HIGHWAY

W 170TH STREET

Highbridge Park

Merriam Playground

Depot Place

MAJOR DEEGAN EXPRESSWAY

W 167TH STREET

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MTA Highbridge Yards

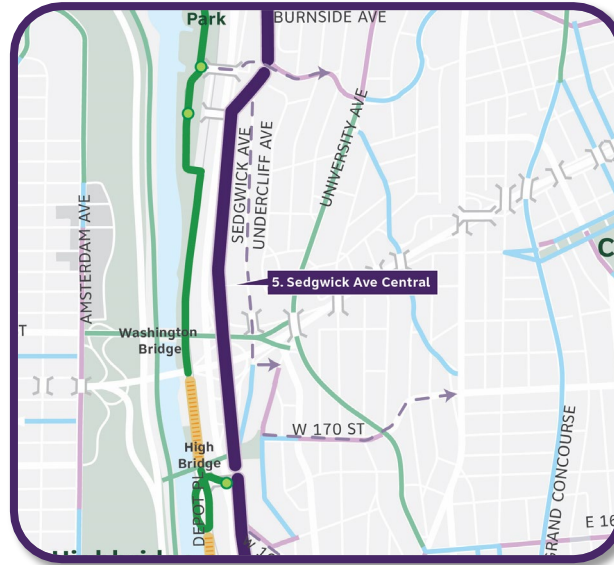
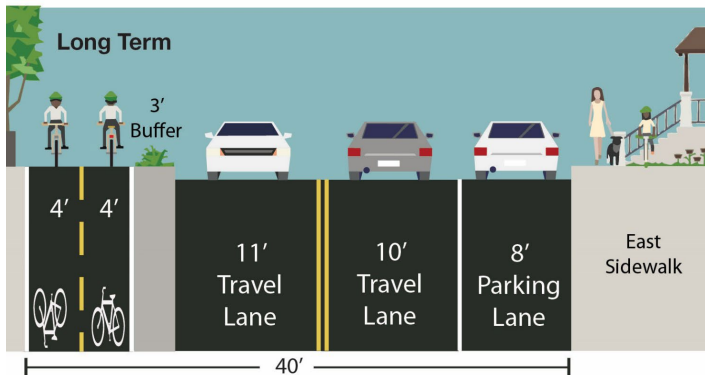
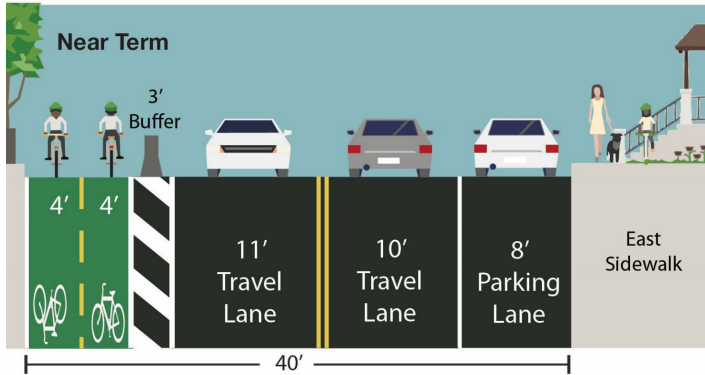
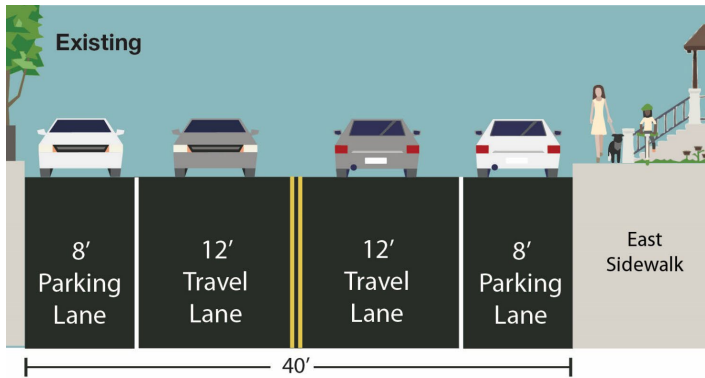
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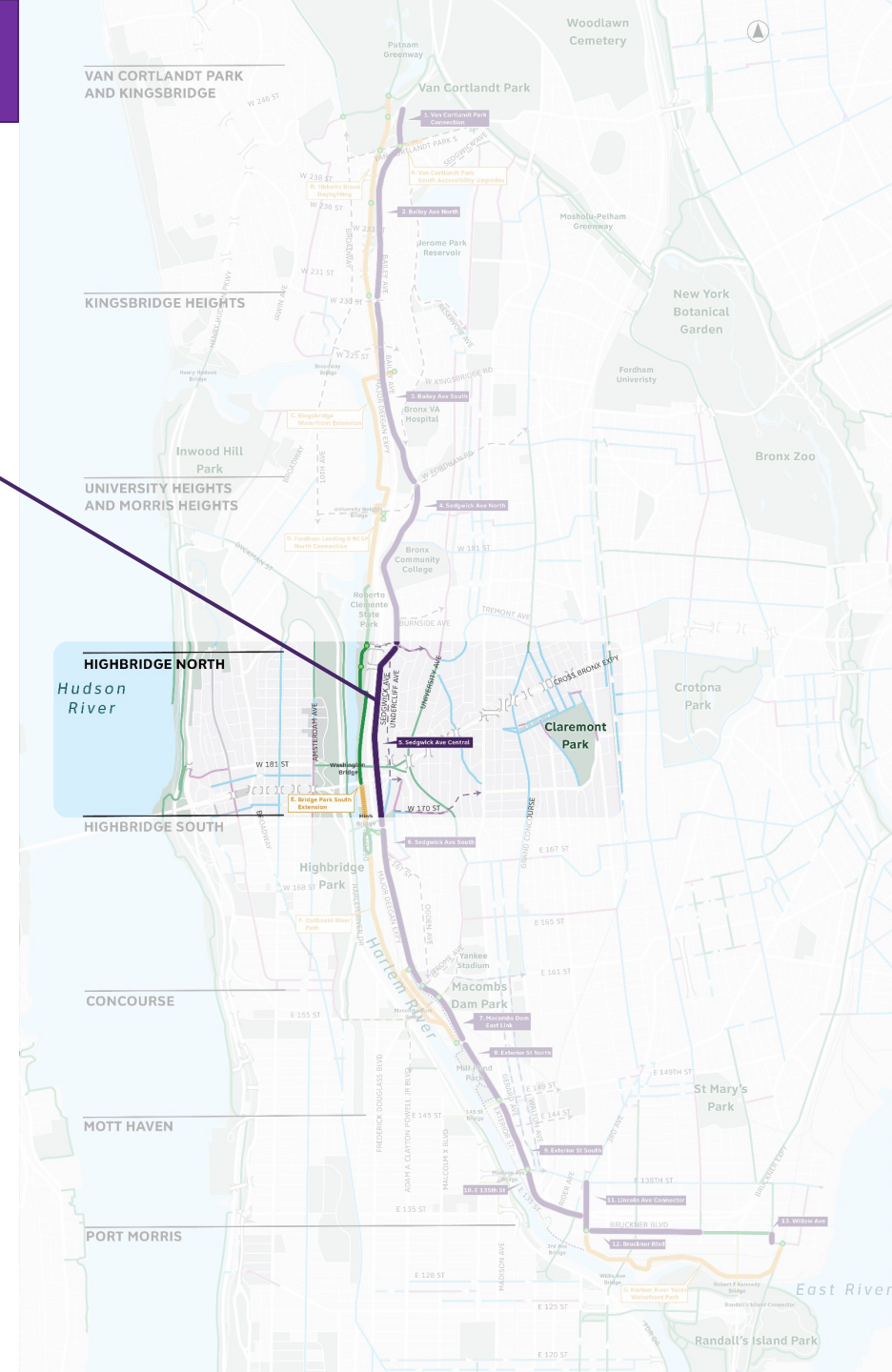
5. Sedgwick Central Corridor Improvements

From Tremont Ave to Depot Pl



Selection rationale

- Connection to Depot Place (the only waterfront access point for over a mile)
- Flatter route near waterfront
- Direct north-south transportation option in area with poor subway access

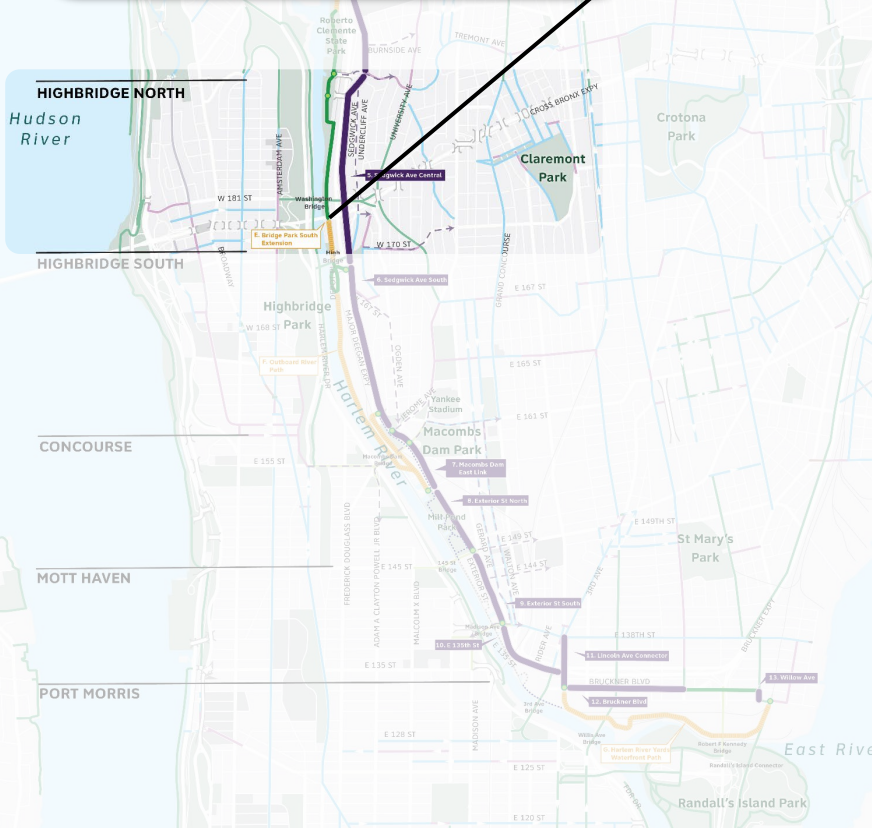
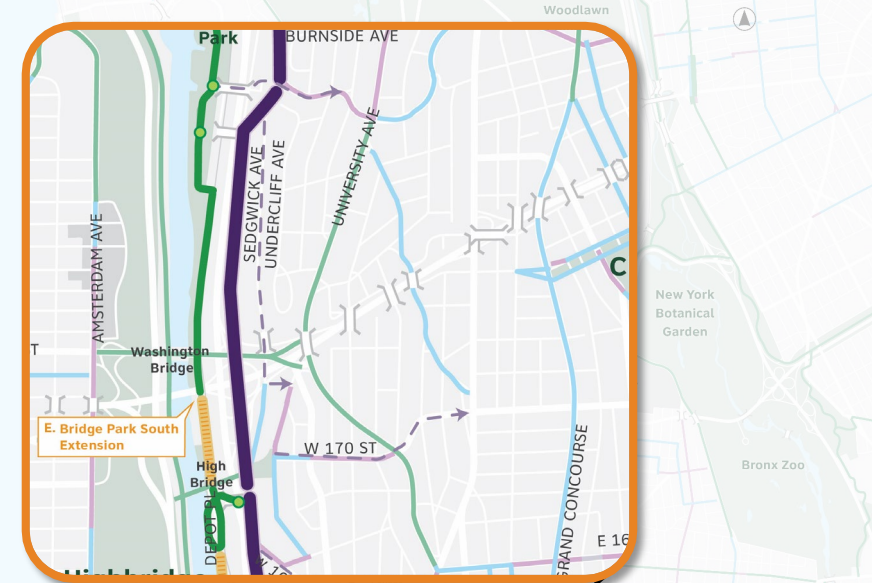


E. Bridge Park South Extension



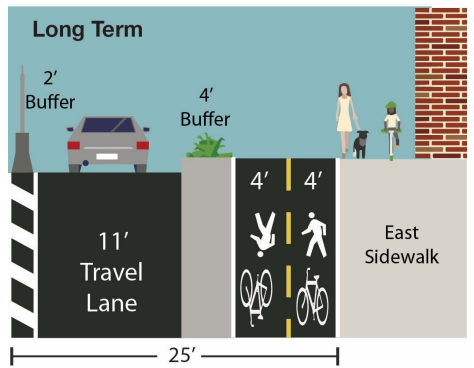
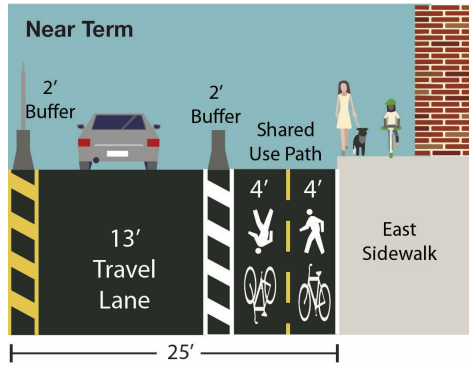
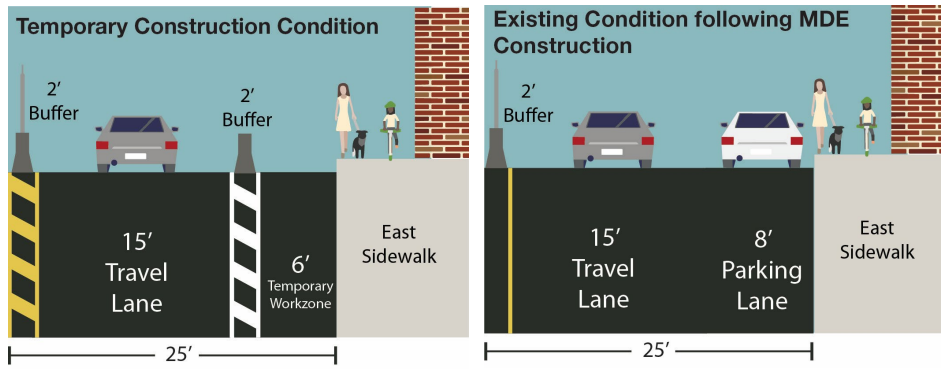
Partnership with **NYC Parks**

Anticipated opening: 2029



6. Sedgwick South Corridor Improvements

From Depot Pl to Jerome Ave



This map shows the proposed route for the Sedgwick Ave South corridor. Key landmarks include Highbridge Park, Harlem River, Macombs Dam Park, Yankee Stadium, and Jerome Ave. Street names shown include W 168 St, W 167 St, W 166 St, W 165 St, W 164 St, W 163 St, W 162 St, W 161 St, W 160 St, W 159 St, W 158 St, W 157 St, W 156 St, W 155 St, W 154 St, W 153 St, W 152 St, W 151 St, W 150 St, W 149 St, W 148 St, W 147 St, W 146 St, W 145 St, W 144 St, W 143 St, W 142 St, W 141 St, W 140 St, W 139 St, W 138 St, W 137 St, W 136 St, W 135 St, W 134 St, W 133 St, W 132 St, W 131 St, W 130 St, W 129 St, W 128 St, W 127 St, W 126 St, W 125 St, W 124 St, W 123 St, W 122 St, W 121 St, W 120 St, W 119 St, W 118 St, W 117 St, W 116 St, W 115 St, W 114 St, W 113 St, W 112 St, W 111 St, W 110 St, W 109 St, W 108 St, W 107 St, W 106 St, W 105 St, W 104 St, W 103 St, W 102 St, W 101 St, W 100 St, W 99 St, W 98 St, W 97 St, W 96 St, W 95 St, W 94 St, W 93 St, W 92 St, W 91 St, W 90 St, W 89 St, W 88 St, W 87 St, W 86 St, W 85 St, W 84 St, W 83 St, W 82 St, W 81 St, W 80 St, W 79 St, W 78 St, W 77 St, W 76 St, W 75 St, W 74 St, W 73 St, W 72 St, W 71 St, W 70 St, W 69 St, W 68 St, W 67 St, W 66 St, W 65 St, W 64 St, W 63 St, W 62 St, W 61 St, W 60 St, W 59 St, W 58 St, W 57 St, W 56 St, W 55 St, W 54 St, W 53 St, W 52 St, W 51 St, W 50 St, W 49 St, W 48 St, W 47 St, W 46 St, W 45 St, W 44 St, W 43 St, W 42 St, W 41 St, W 40 St, W 39 St, W 38 St, W 37 St, W 36 St, W 35 St, W 34 St, W 33 St, W 32 St, W 31 St, W 30 St, W 29 St, W 28 St, W 27 St, W 26 St, W 25 St, W 24 St, W 23 St, W 22 St, W 21 St, W 20 St, W 19 St, W 18 St, W 17 St, W 16 St, W 15 St, W 14 St, W 13 St, W 12 St, W 11 St, W 10 St, W 9 St, W 8 St, W 7 St, W 6 St, W 5 St, W 4 St, W 3 St, W 2 St, W 1 St, W 0 St.

- Selection rationale**
- Most direct on-street option
 - Path previously utilized by cyclists during construction
 - Connections to waterfront access at Depot Pl

This regional map shows the Bronx area with the Sedgwick Ave South corridor highlighted in purple. Key locations include Van Cortlandt Park, Kingsbridge Heights, University Heights and Morris Heights, Highbridge North, Highbridge South, Concourse, Mott Haven, Port Morris, and Randall's Island Park. The map also shows the Hudson River, Harlem River, and East River.

Planning Area: Highbridge South



OUTBOARD RIVER PATH **F**

6 **SEDGWICK AVE SOUTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS**

7 **MACOMBS DAM EAST LINK**

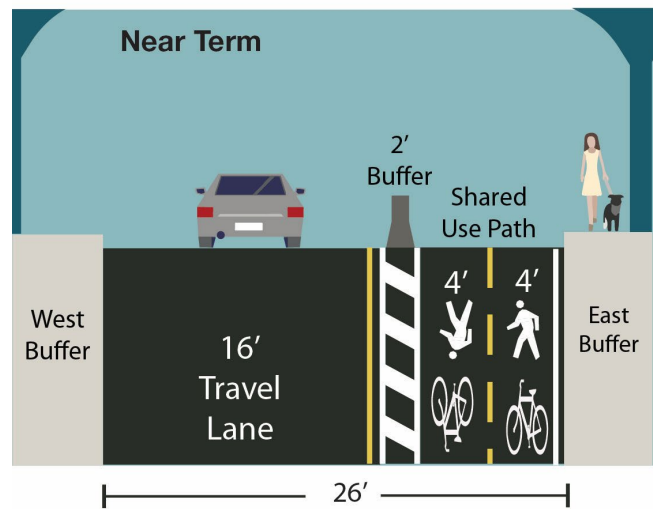
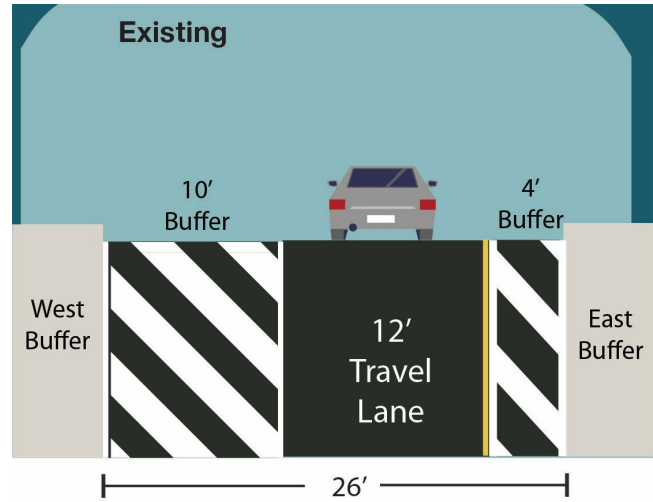
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7. Macombs Dam East Link

From Jerome Ave to Bronx Terminal Market



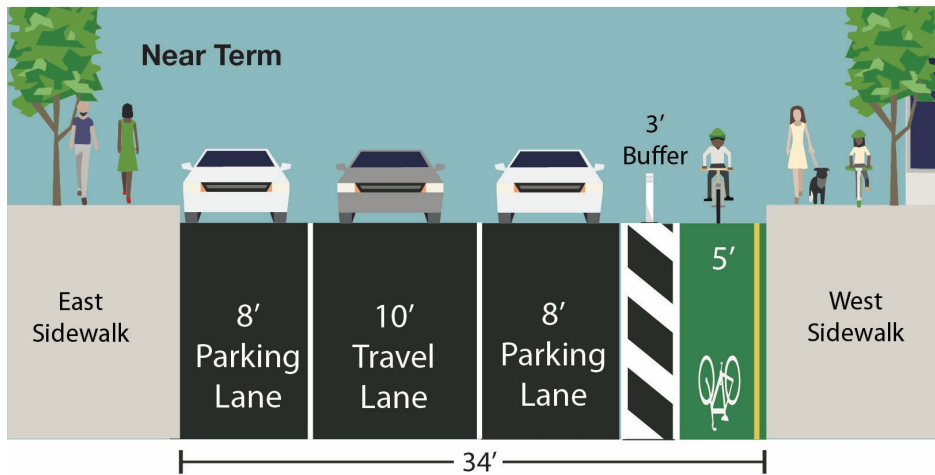
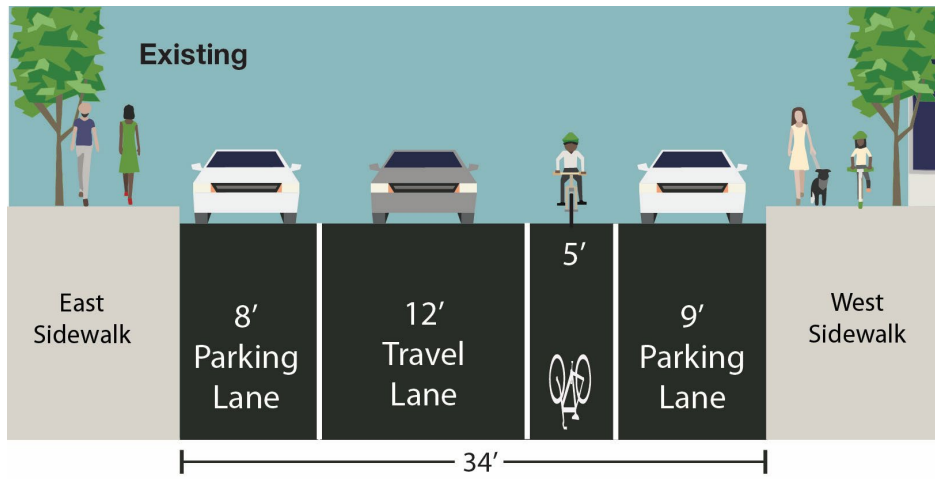
- ### Selection rationale
- Opportunity to improve difficult intersections
 - Minimal grade change
 - Access to Macombs Dam Bridge



Possible with NYCDOT in-houses resources but requires **NYSDOT** review and coordination.

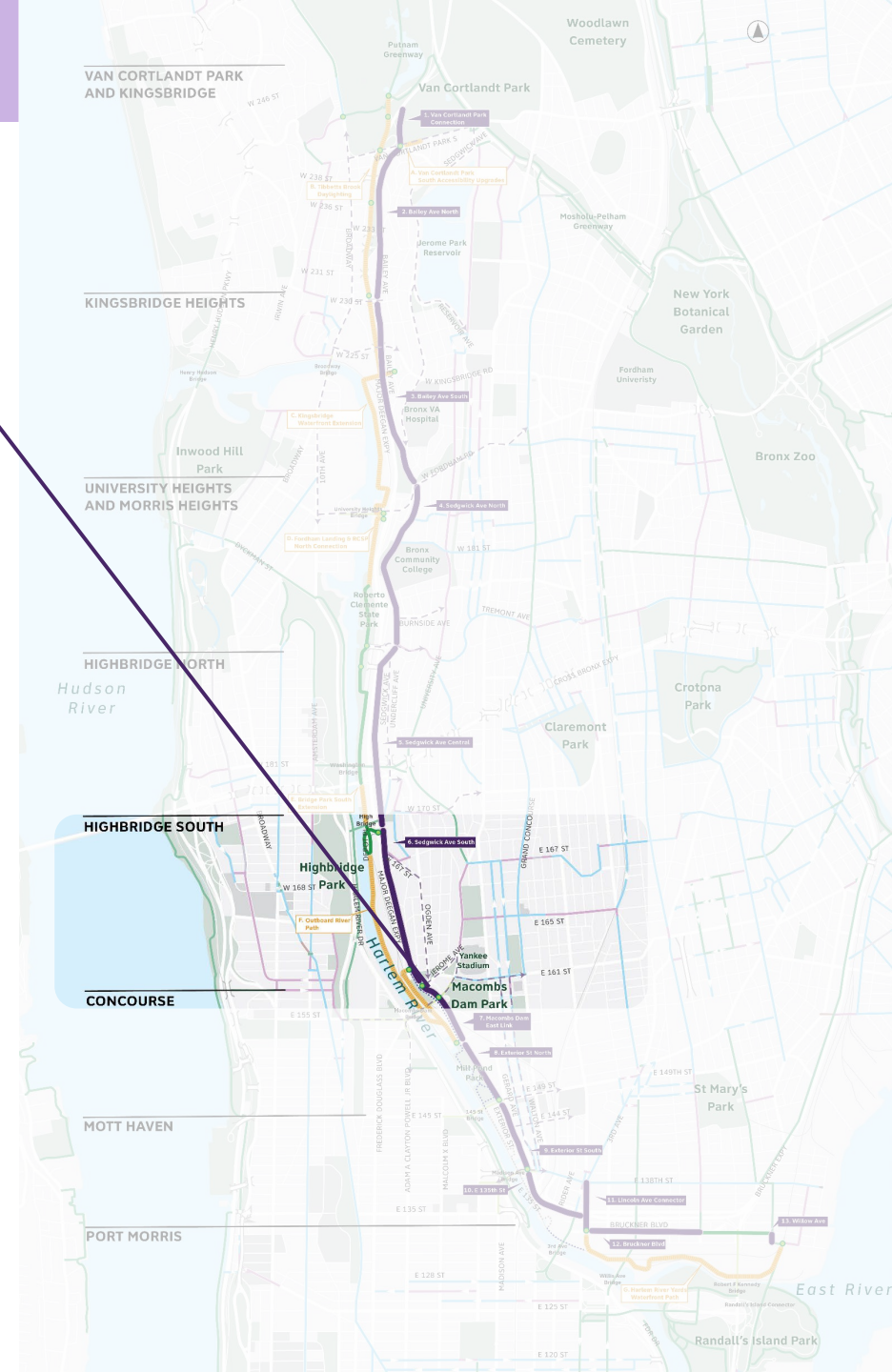
7B. Gerard and Walton Inland Bypass

From 138th St to 161st St

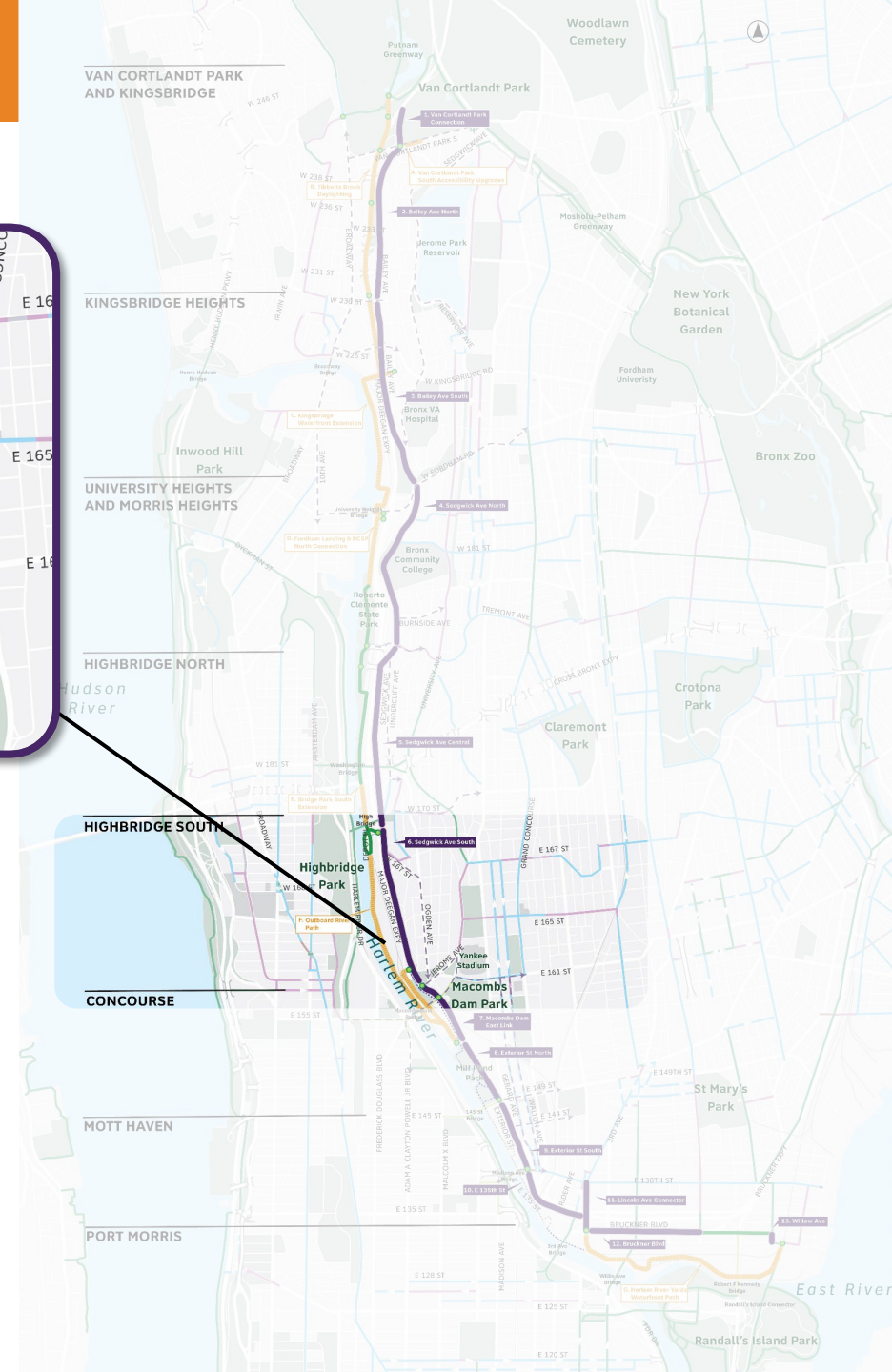


Selection rationale

- Provide complementary inland route for those traveling north-south
- Upgrade existing bike lanes to protected



F. Outboard River Path



Extensive coordination required with **MTA Metro-North**, **NYSDOT**, and **US Coast Guard**

Planning Area: Concourse



EAST LINK

Bronx Terminal Market

Mill Pond Park

145TH STREET BRIDGE

8 EXTERIOR STREET NORTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

E 149TH ST

E 144TH ST

EXTERIOR STREET

MAJOR DEEGAN EXPRESSWAY

GERARD AVENUE

9 EXTERIOR STREET SOUTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

WALTON AVENUE

GRAND CONCOURSE

HARLEM RIVER

HARLEM RIVER DRIVE

MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE

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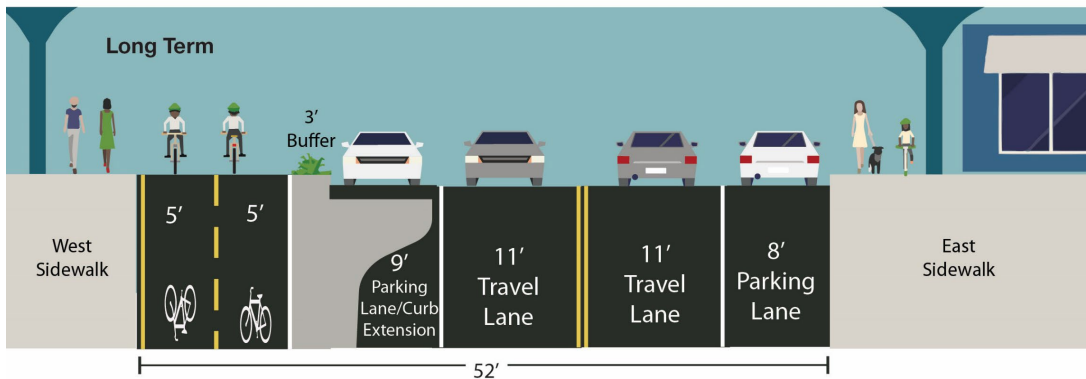
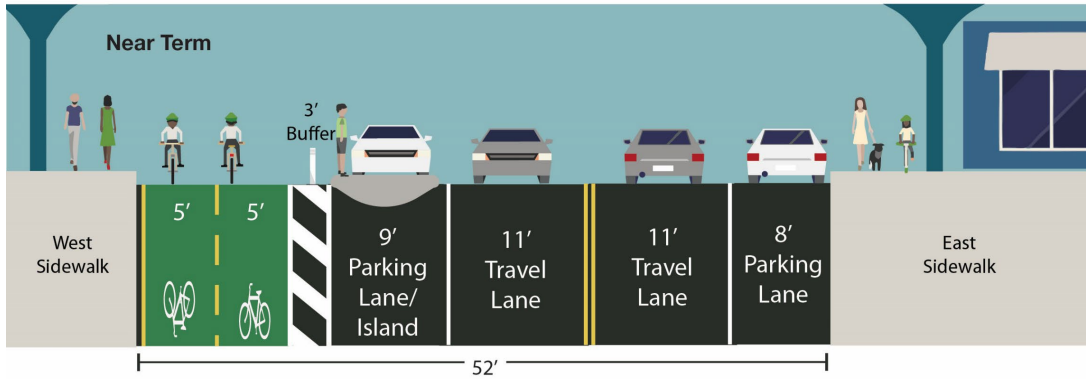
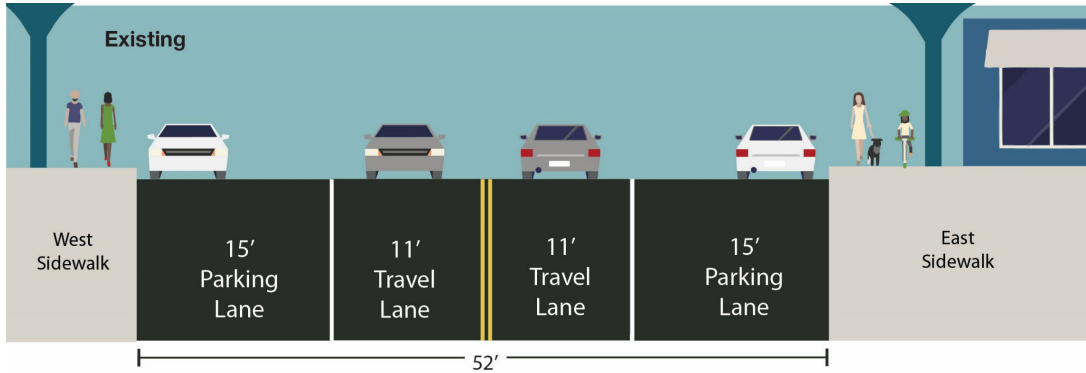
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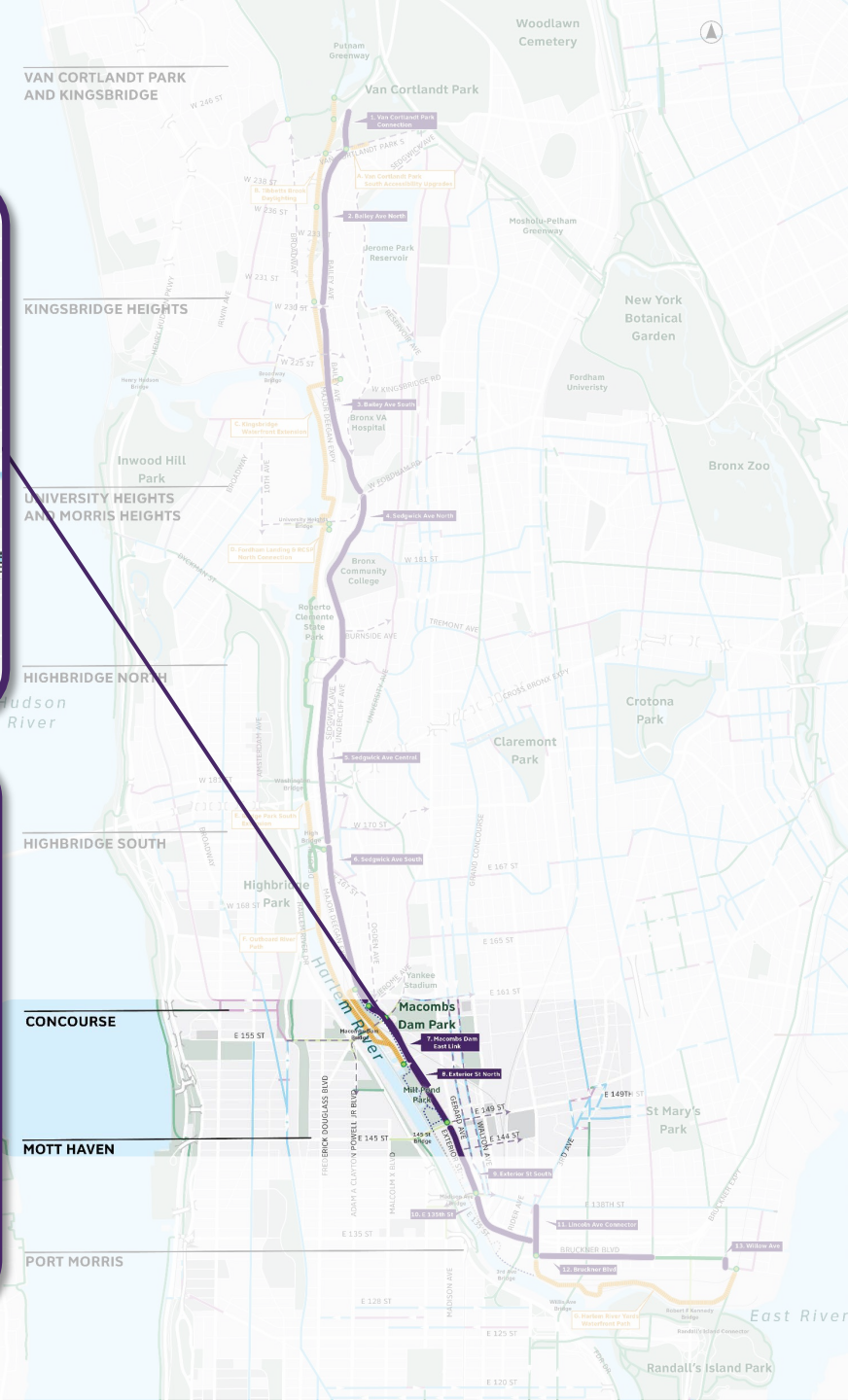
8. Exterior St North Corridor Improvements

From Bronx Terminal Market to 145th St Bridge



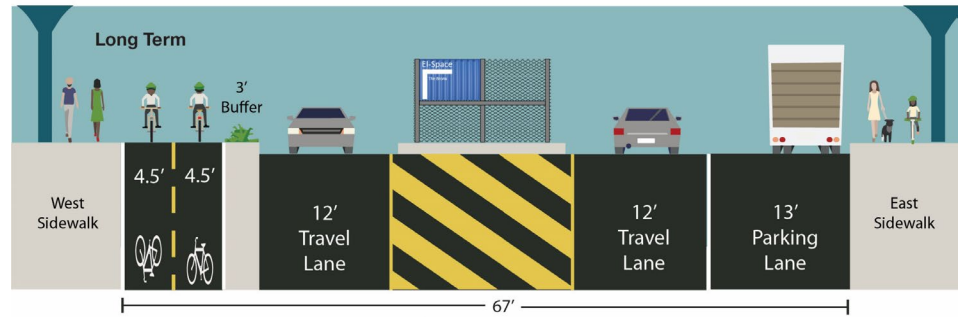
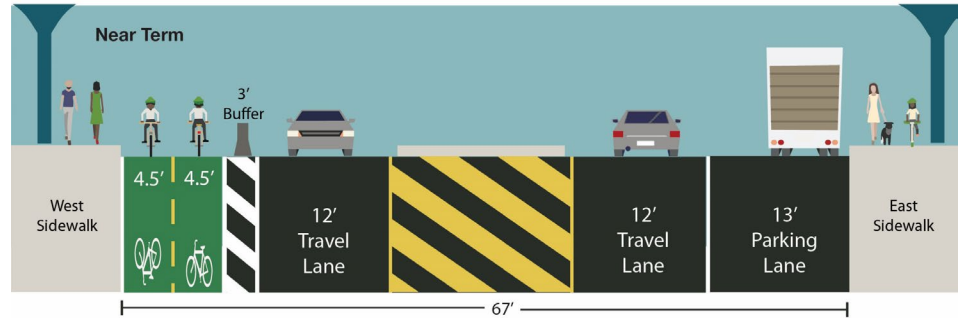
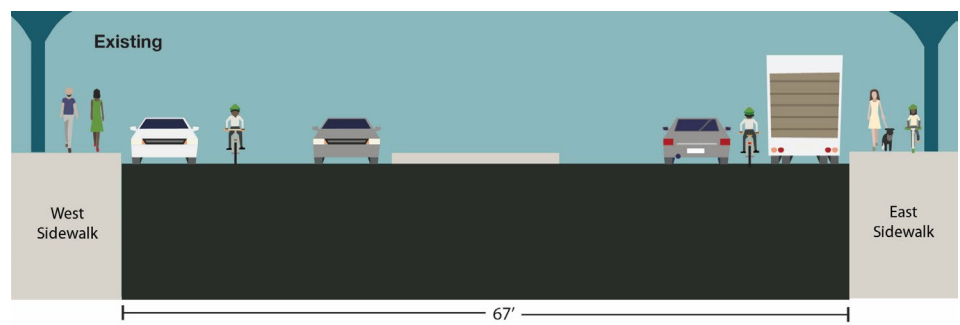
Selection rationale

- Closest continuous street to waterfront
- Calm traffic on an overwide street
- Access to Mill Pond Park, Bronx Children's Museum, Hop Hop Musuem

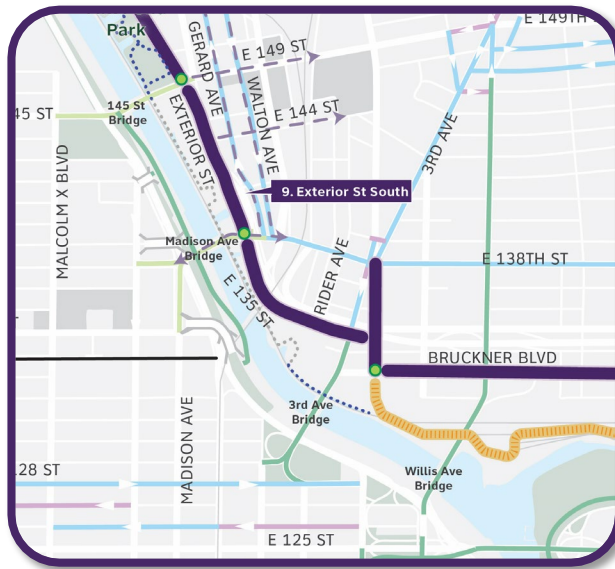


9. Exterior St South Corridor Improvements

From 145th St Bridge to Madison Ave Bridge

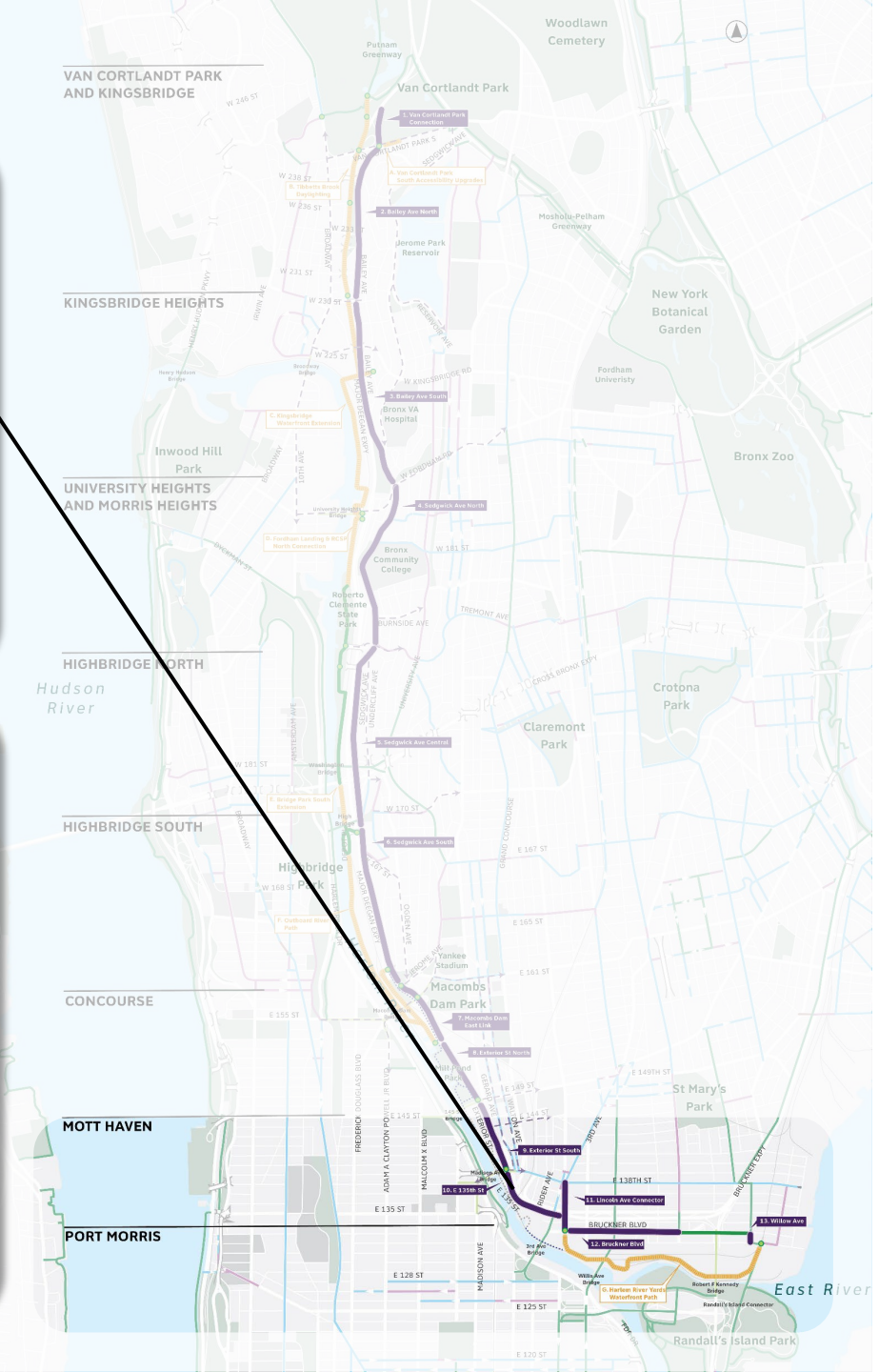


BxCB1 notified in October 2024



Selection rationale

- Closest continuous street to the water
- Opportunity to improve bridge connections (145th St and Madison Ave)
- Access to Lower Concourse Park (Opening Fall 2025)



Planning Area: Mott Haven



9 EXTERIOR STREET SOUTH CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

10 E 135TH ST CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

11 LINCOLN AVENUE CONNECTOR

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HARLEM RIVER YARDS WATERFRONT PATH

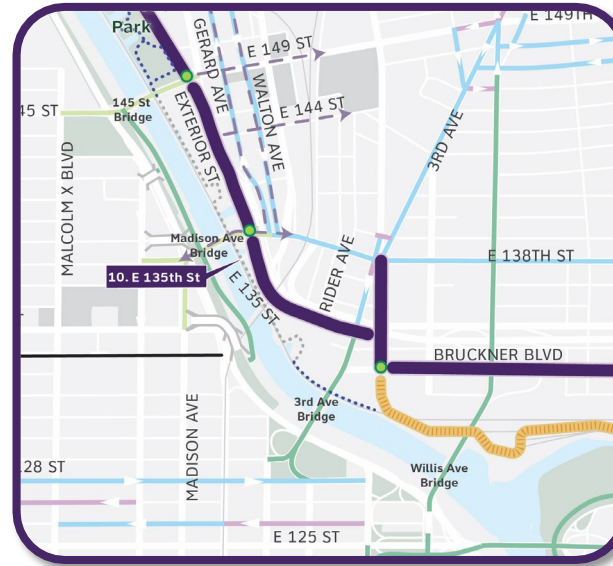
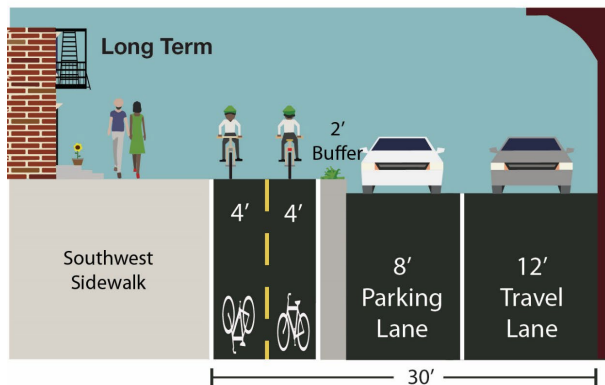
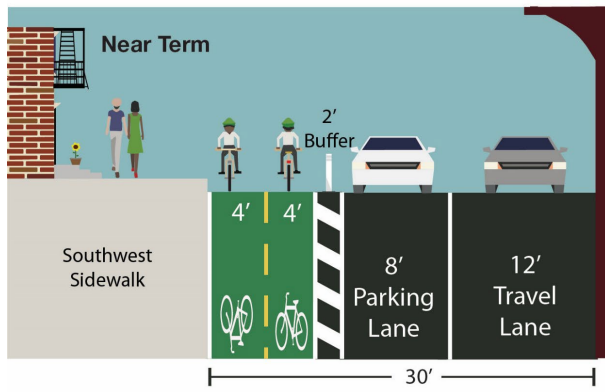
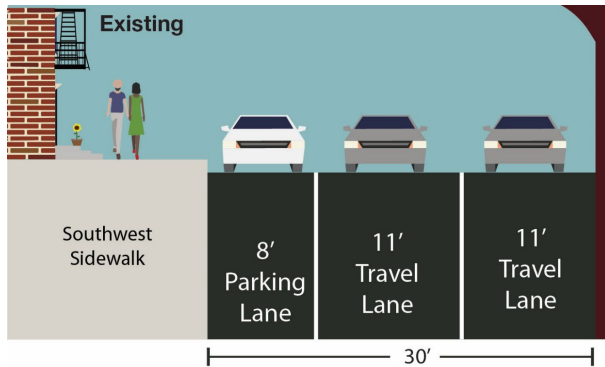
LEGEND

- On-Street Greenway Project
- - Partnership Opportunity Greenway Project
- Existing Greenway
- ... Existing Pedestrian Path
- ... Planned Pedestrian Path



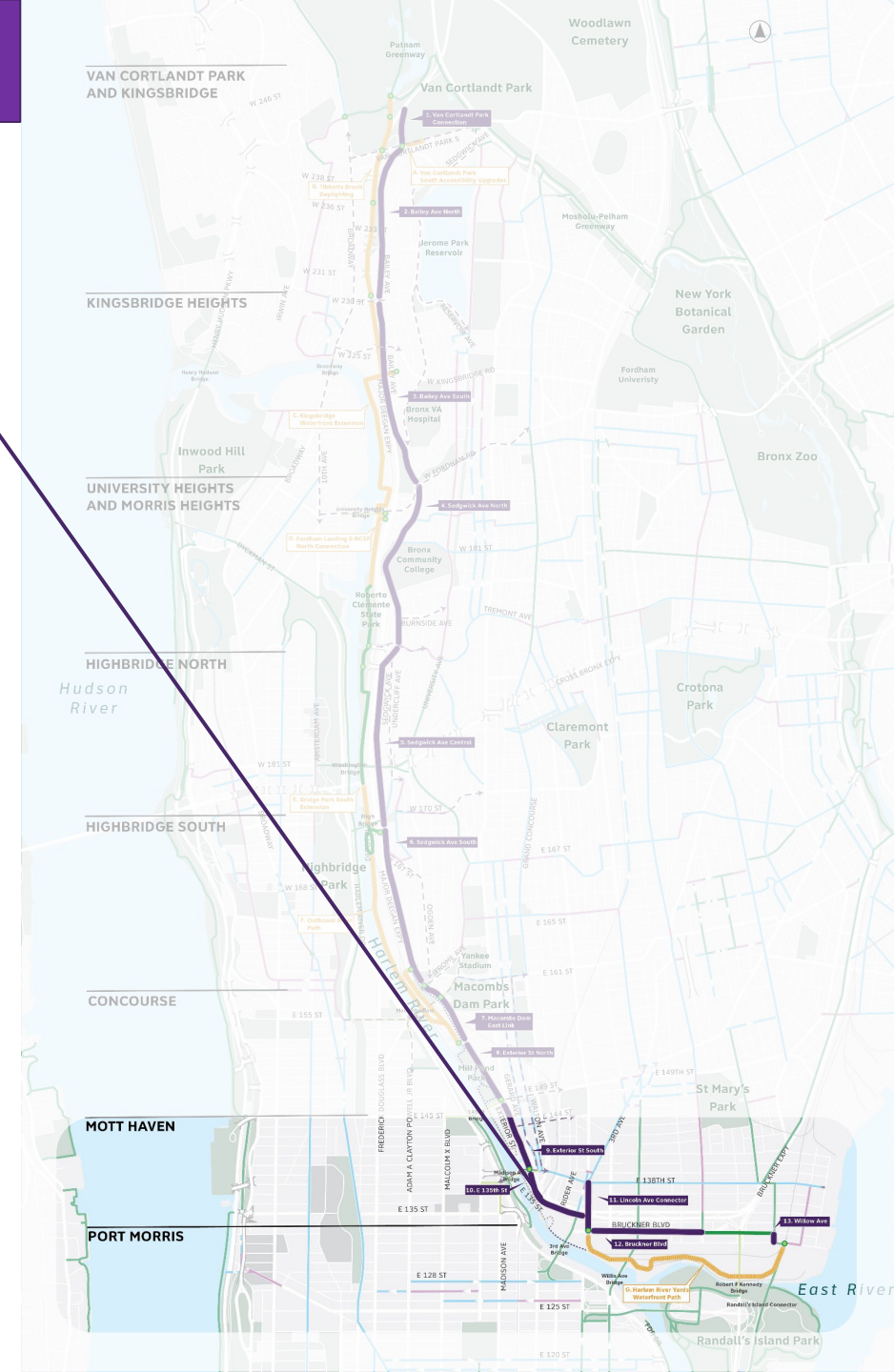
10. E 135th St Corridor Improvements

From Madison Ave Bridge to Third Avenue Bridge



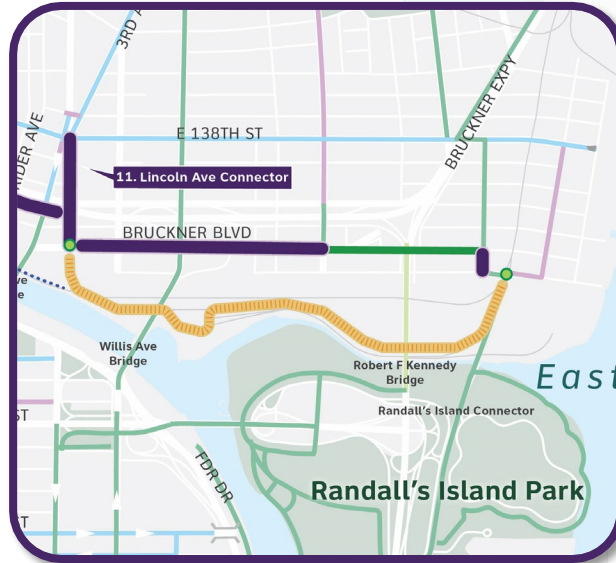
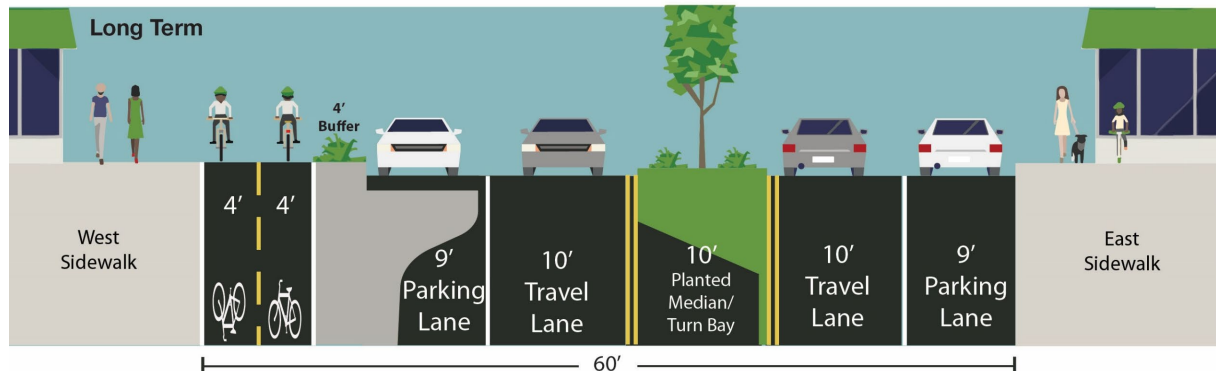
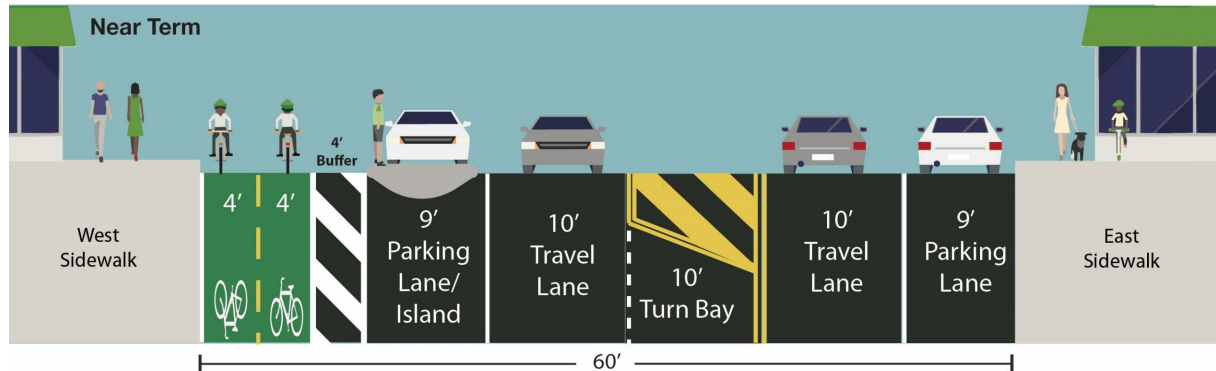
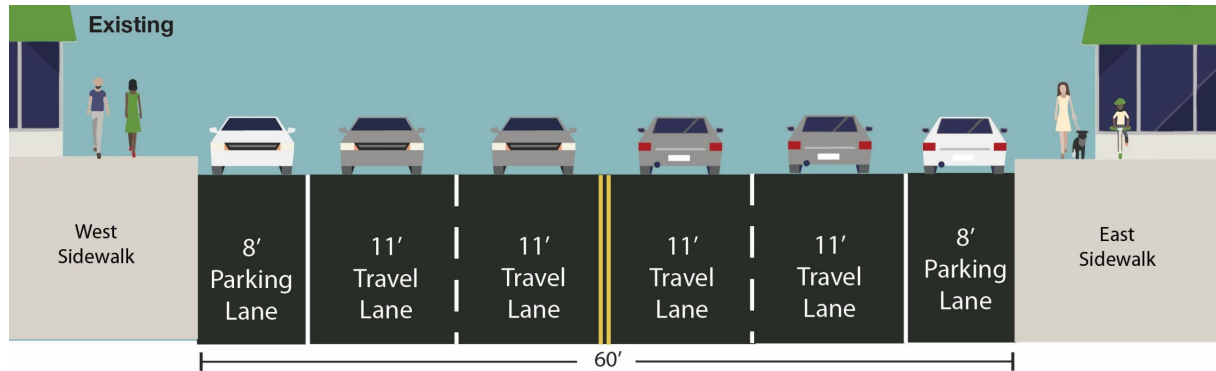
Selection rationale

- Waterfront proximity and views at various street ends
- Best continuous route south of the Deegan
- New residential development planned

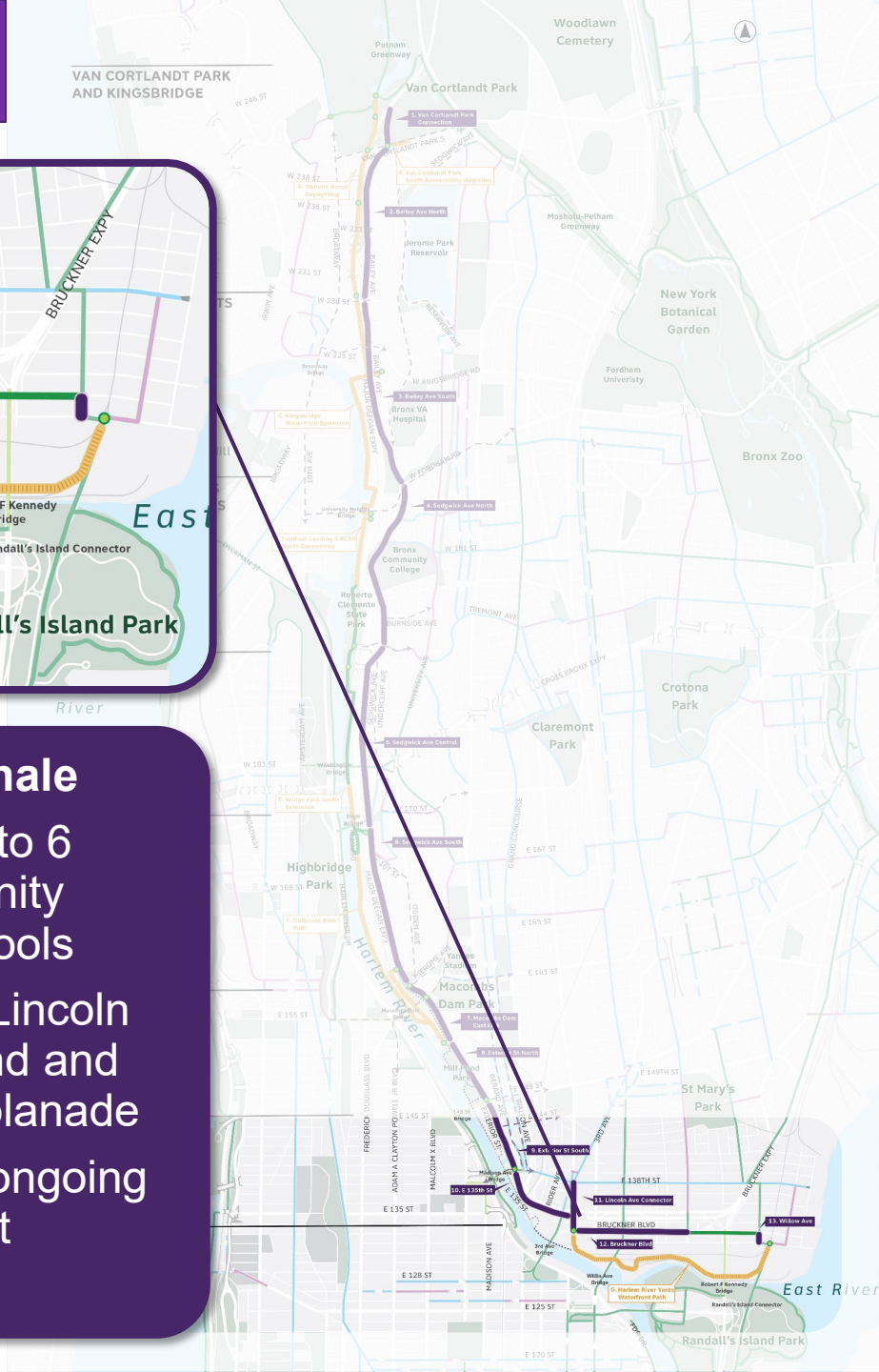


11. Lincoln Ave Connector

From Third Ave to Bruckner Blvd



- Selection rationale**
- Connections to 6 train, community gardens, schools
 - Connects to Lincoln Ave Street end and Bankside esplanade
 - Connects to ongoing capital project



Planning Area: Port Morris



Yankee Stadium

Franz Sigel Park

Lincoln Medical Center

St. Mary's Park

MORRIS AVENUE

THIRD AVENUE

WILLIS AVENUE

ST ANN AVENUE

E 138TH ST

CYPRESS AVENUE

BRUCKNER EXPY

WILLOW AVENUE

WALNUT AVENUE

EAST RIVER

E 135TH ST CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

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LINCOLN AVENUE CONNECTOR

EXISTING GREENWAY

BRUCKNER BOULEVARD

E 133RD ST

WILLOW AVENUE UPGRADES

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E 132ND ST

THIRD AVENUE BRIDGE

BRUCKNER BOULEVARD CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

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HARLEM RIVER

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RANDALL'S ISLAND CONNECTOR

ROBERT F. KENNEDY BRIDGE

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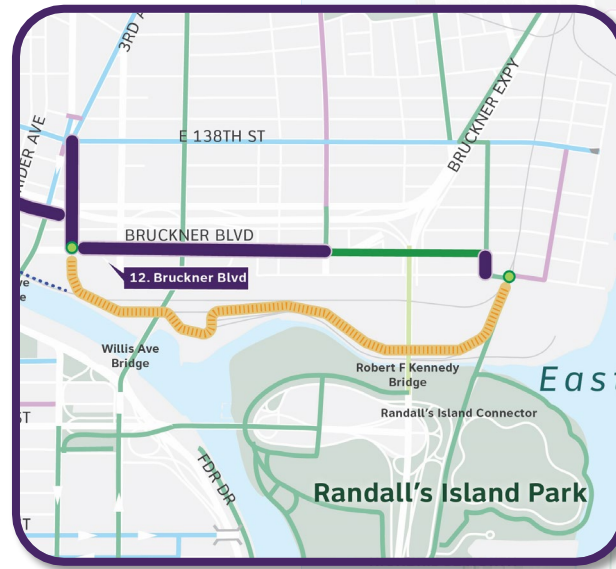
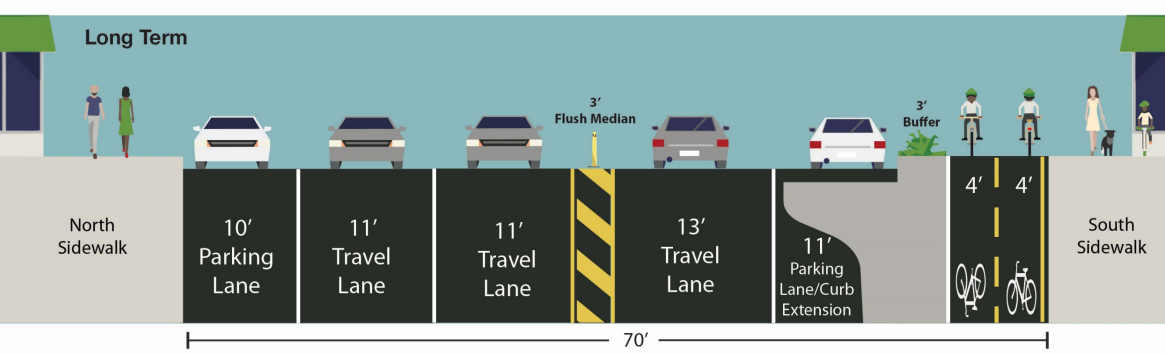
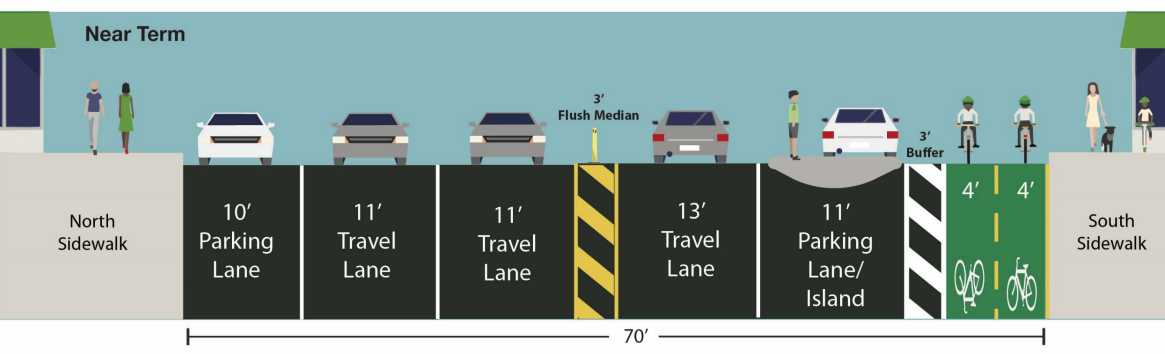
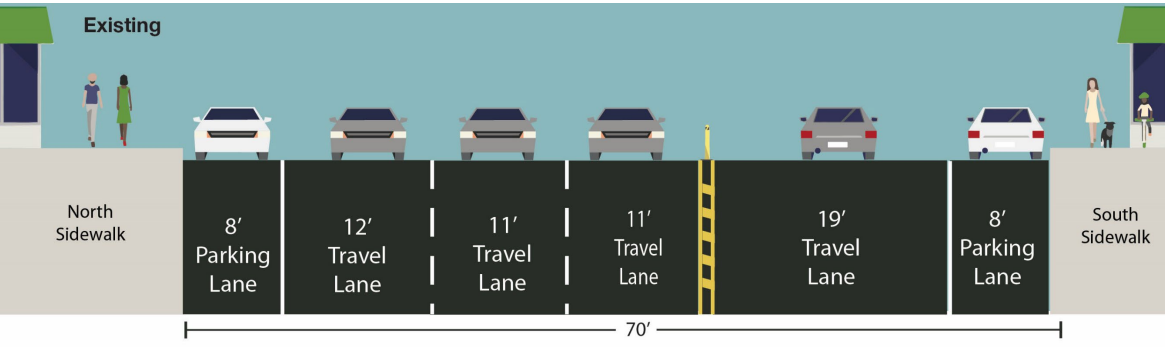
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Randall's Island Park



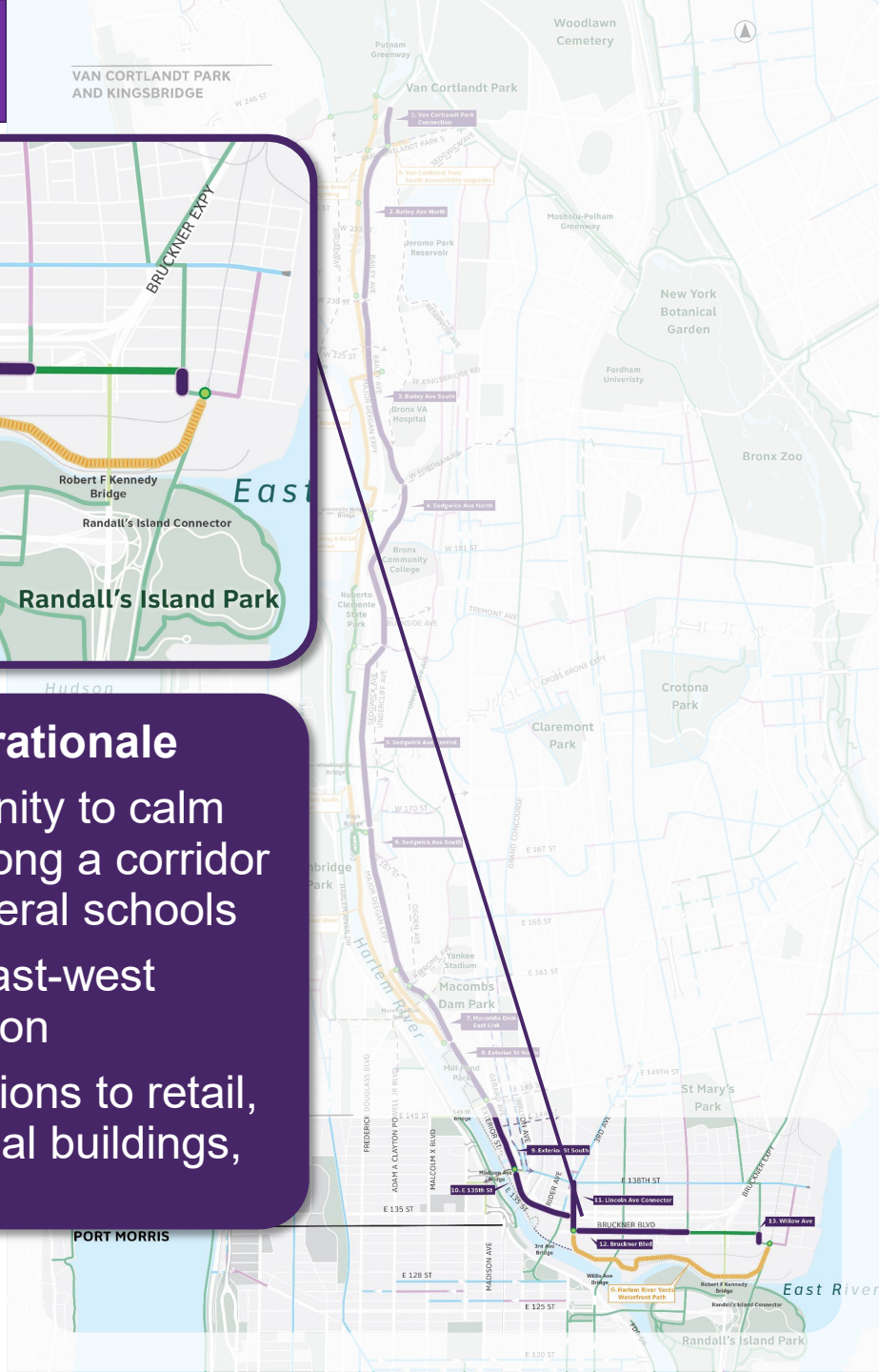
12. Bruckner Blvd Corridor Improvements

From Lincoln Ave to E 133rd St



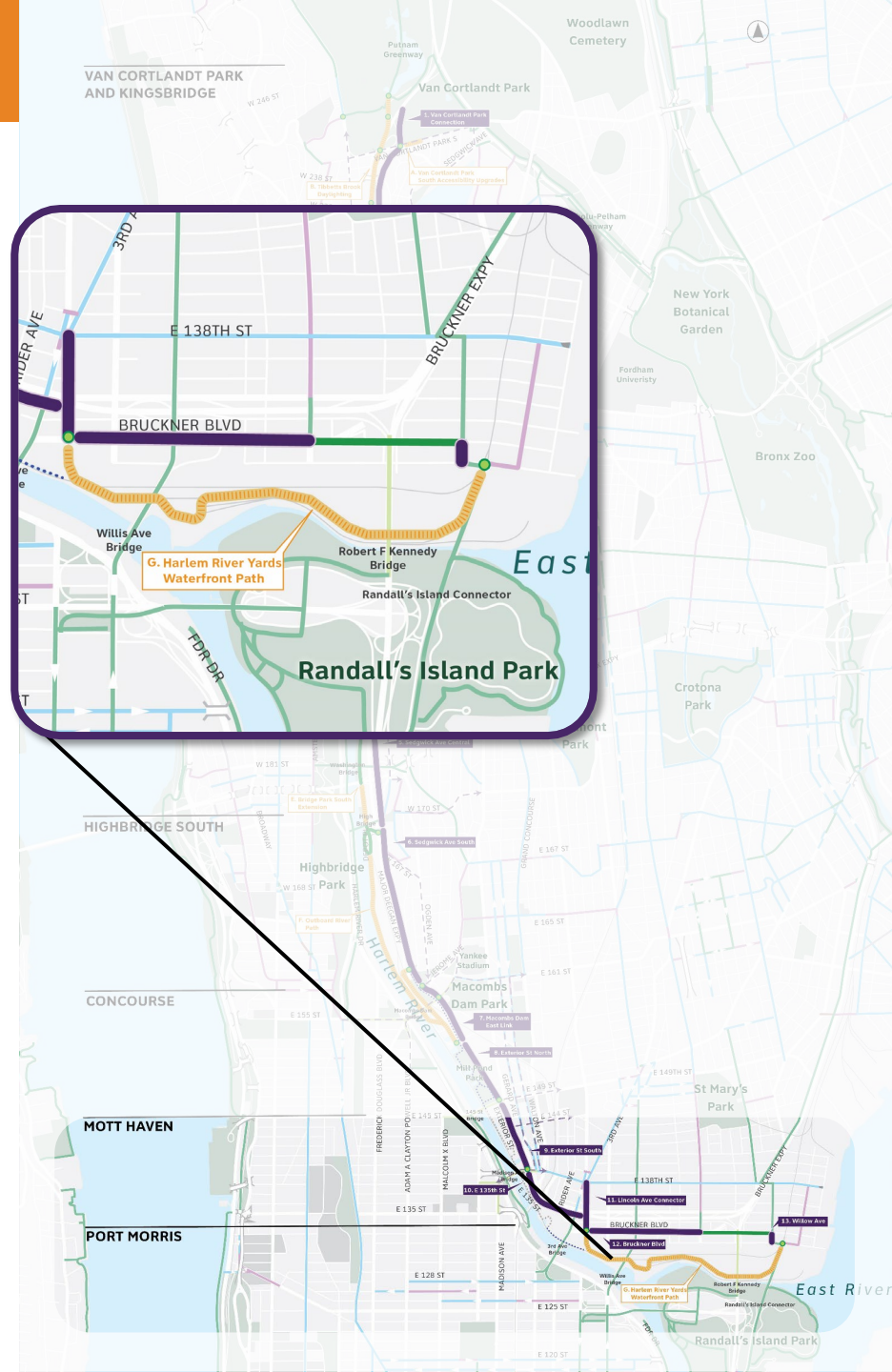
Selection rationale

- Opportunity to calm traffic along a corridor with several schools
- Direct east-west connection
- Connections to retail, residential buildings, schools



Presented to BxCB1 in June 2024

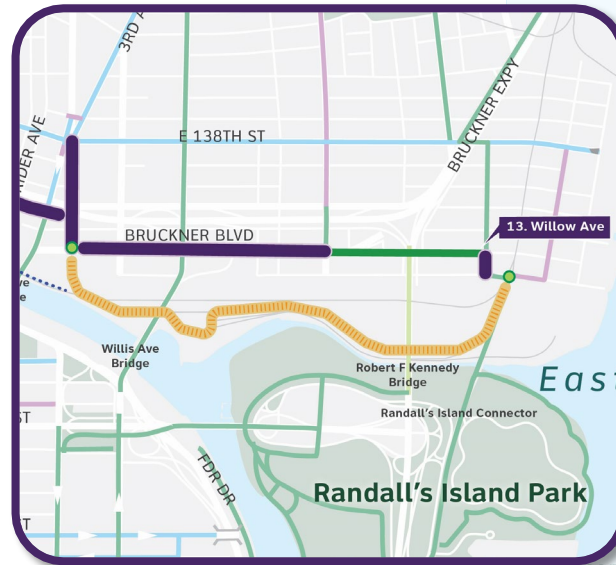
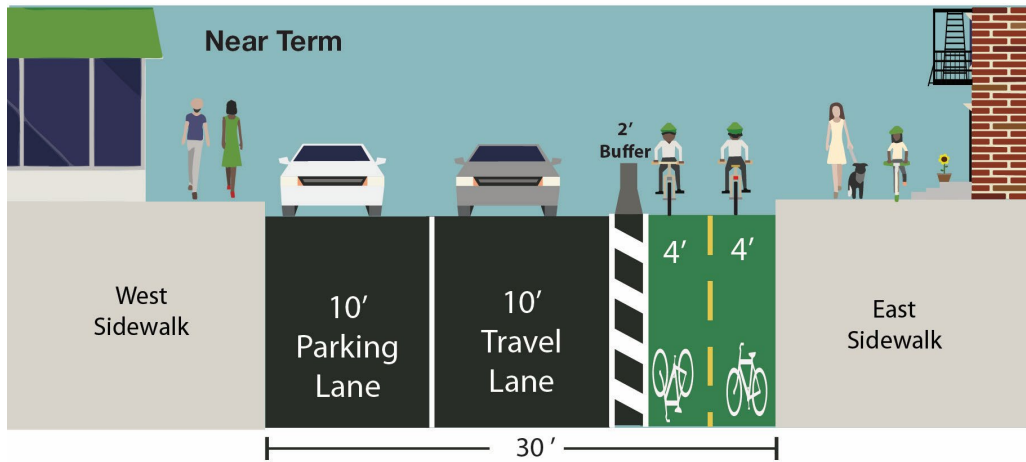
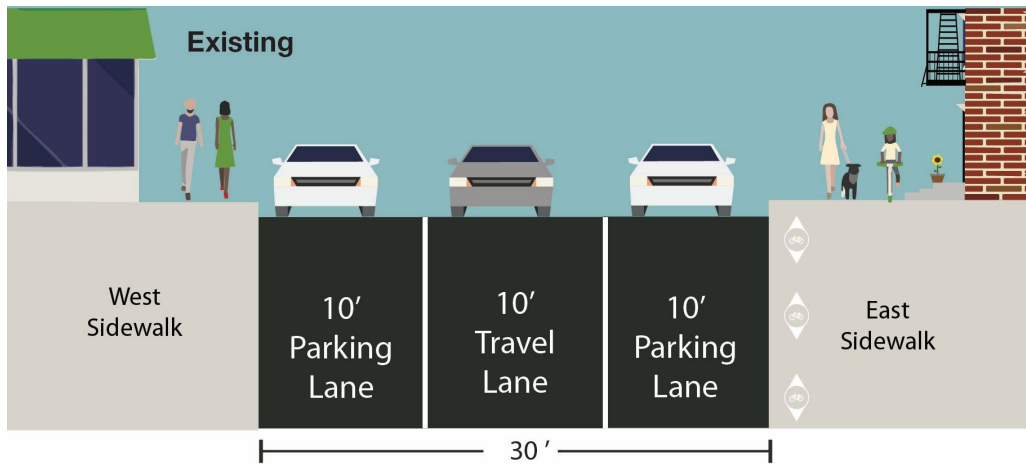
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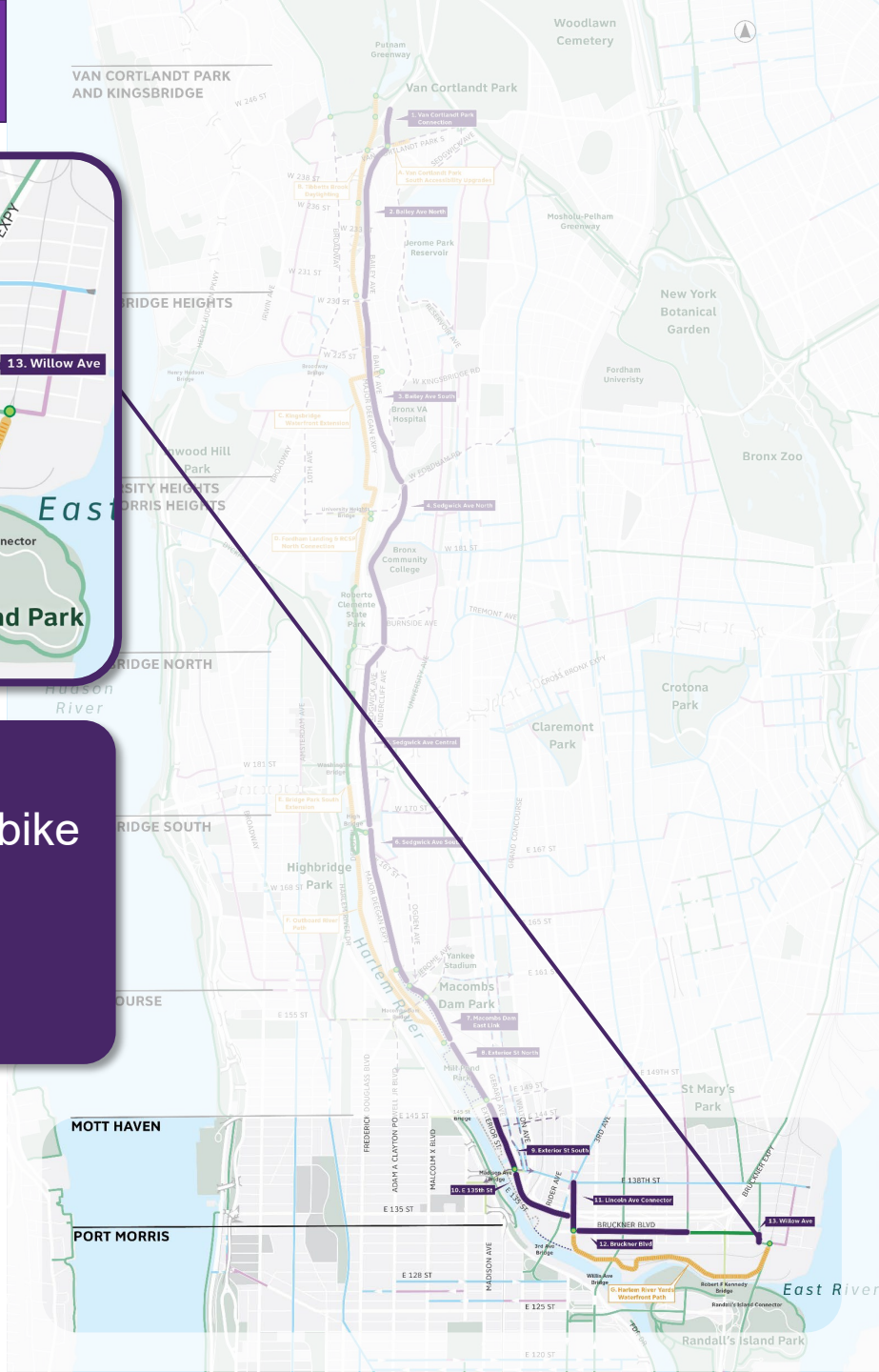
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13. Willow Ave Upgrade

From E 133rd St to E 132nd St

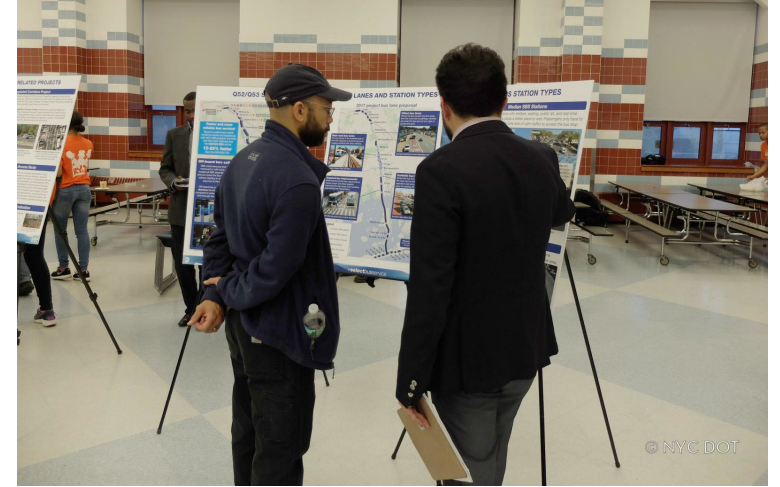


- ### Selection rationale
- Improves existing bike path
 - Connection to Randall's Island



Open House!

- Circulate throughout the space (please note there are two rooms on either side of the bar)
- Talk to staff, ask questions, provide feedback
 - **Sticky notes/flags** for general comments
 - **Stars** to indicate priority projects that you'd like to see happen first (on-street only). Everyone gets a "budget" of 5 stars.



Next Steps

- 2 additional **open house** events on 4/1 (Bronx Brewery) and 4/7 (Zoom) – tell your friends 😊
- **Final report** release in Summer 2025
- Near-term project **implementation** (some already underway!)
All projects will be shared with Community Boards in advance.

Additional thoughts, feedback?



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Thank You!

Questions?



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