



Queens Waterfront Greenway: Route Alternatives

**Bowery Bay to Willets Point
(Astoria Heights to Downtown Flushing)**

October 28th, 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
- Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances
- 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 the safety of staff and attendees.

Agenda

- Background + Intros
(15 mins)
- Route Alternatives
(30 min presentation)
- Breakout Groups
(1 hr)
- Report Back
(15 minutes)



Flushing Meadows Corona Park

Project Team

City Team



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CORONA PARK

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Project Goal

Work with community members to **develop a comprehensive plan for a continuous, safe, and accessible path** that serves the diverse neighborhoods of Queens.



What is a Greenway?



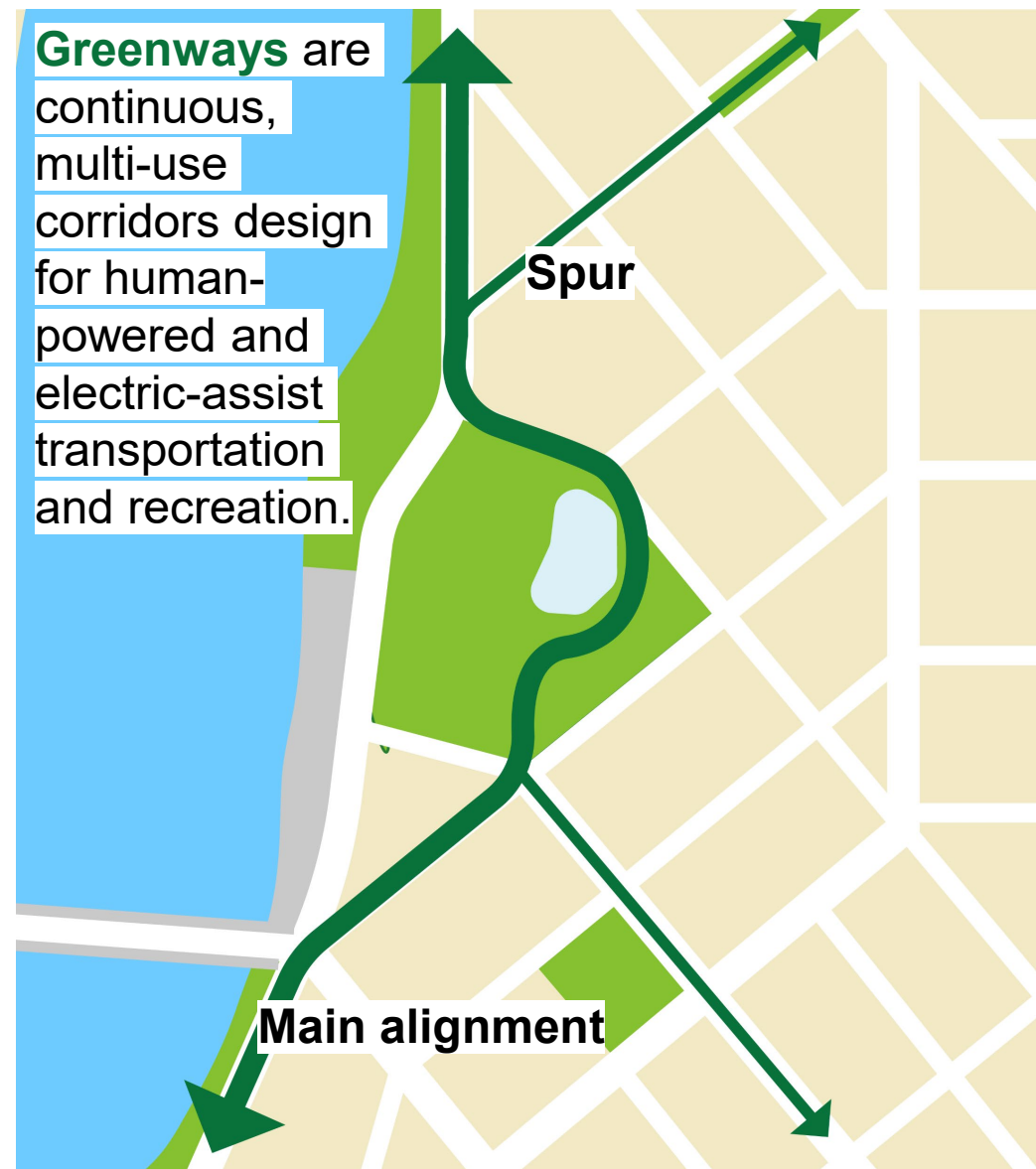
- Increase **access and mobility**
- Provide opportunities for **active transportation**
- Improve **connections to neighborhood amenities** such as parks and waterfront
- Encourage **economic development**



Astoria Park



Shore Front Pkwy.



Why Queens?

- Many neighborhoods are **disconnected from the Queens waterfront** by highways, airports, and industrial uses.
- This portion of Queens contains **22 miles of shoreline** and **20 public parks**, many which have **recently received public investment**.



20th Ave.



Malcom X. Promenade



94th St. & Ditmars Blvd.

Implementation Strategy

Street Improvement Projects (SIPs) use DOT's in-house resources such as paint and delineators to make street design changes quickly



39th Ave. DOT In-house SIP, 2021

Time ●●●● Complexity ●●●● Cost ●●●●

Capital Projects are longer-term, major street reconstruction projects that modify the geometry of the street and are often coordinated with sewer and water upgrades



Kent Ave. DOT/DDC Capital Project, 2021

Time ●●●● Complexity ●●●● Cost ●●●●

What we've been up to: collecting ideas, feedback



Vernon Blvd Summer Streets
July 27, 2024



DOT Block Party, 31st St
June 21, 2025



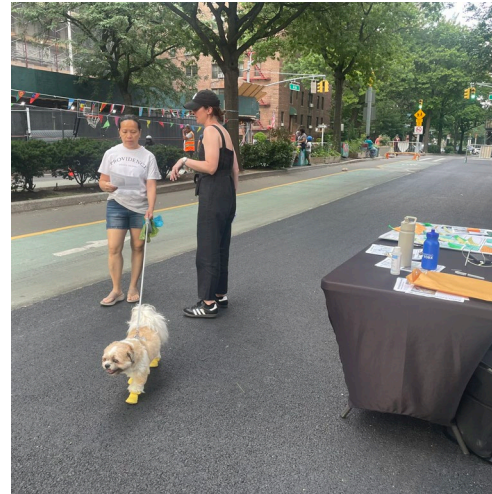
Helmet Giveaway
June 28, 2025



TransFest
July 19, 2025



Riverkeeper Sweep
May 3, 2025



34th Ave Open Streets
July 7, 2025



Queens Social Ride
August 3, 2025



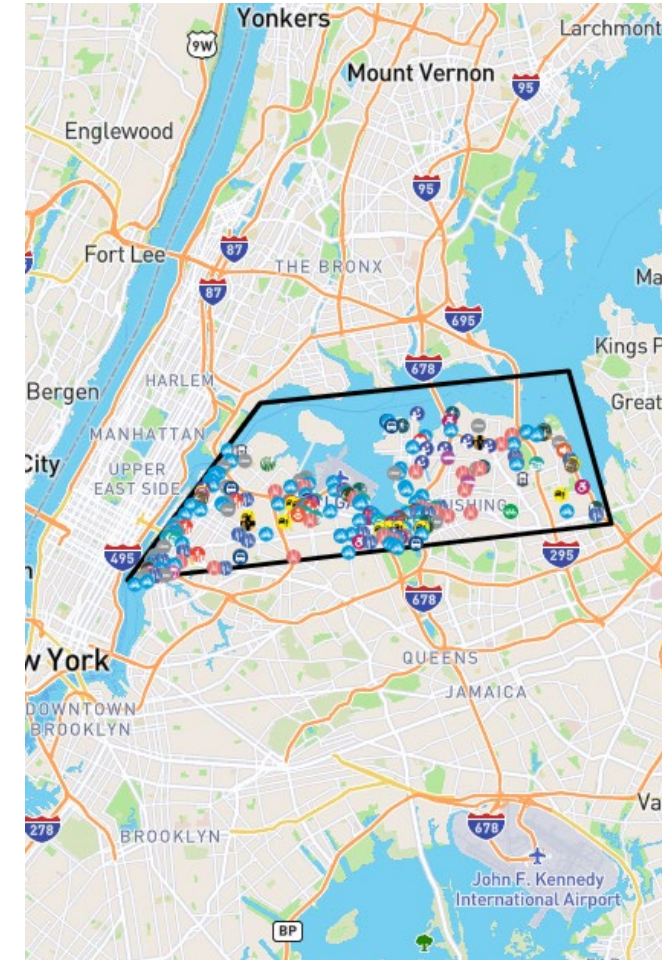
LIC Springs! 2025
June 1, 2025

What we heard: 2025 outreach themes

- Make new east/west **connections** to the waterfront, other protected bike lanes, and the citywide greenway system
- Improve **signage** and **wayfinding**
- **Physical separation** between bikes, pedestrians, and cars is critical for safety.
- Better **interborough connections** are needed, particularly to **bridges** connecting Queens to the Bronx and Manhattan
- Improve **intersections**, particularly at major roads, such as Ditmars Blvd. and Roosevelt Ave.



In-person feedback map



Online feedback map

What are we doing today?



Route Alternatives

Considerations:

- Community suggestions (from workshops, events, online feedback map)
- Waterfront access and views
- Directness and convenience
- Safety, comfort
- Connections to transit, bridges, and local destinations
- Feasibility, timeframe to implement

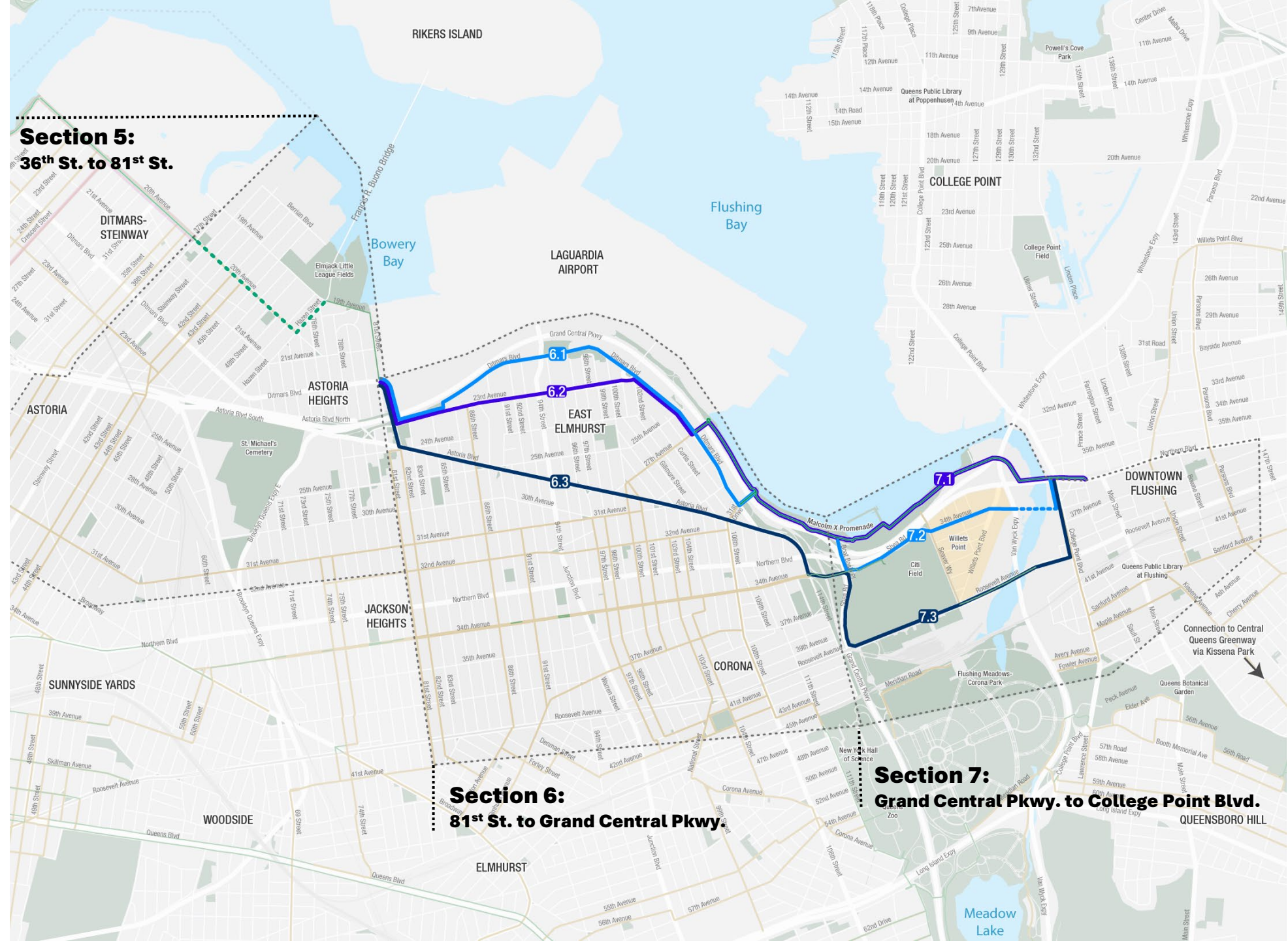
What are we doing today?

- Greenway planning here is not going to be easy:
 - Winding waterfront section
 - LGA Airport infrastructure
 - Malcom X Promenade fragmentation
- But given these challenges, how can we establish the best route possible?

Evaluating Tradeoffs



Central Queens



Section 5 Planned Greenway

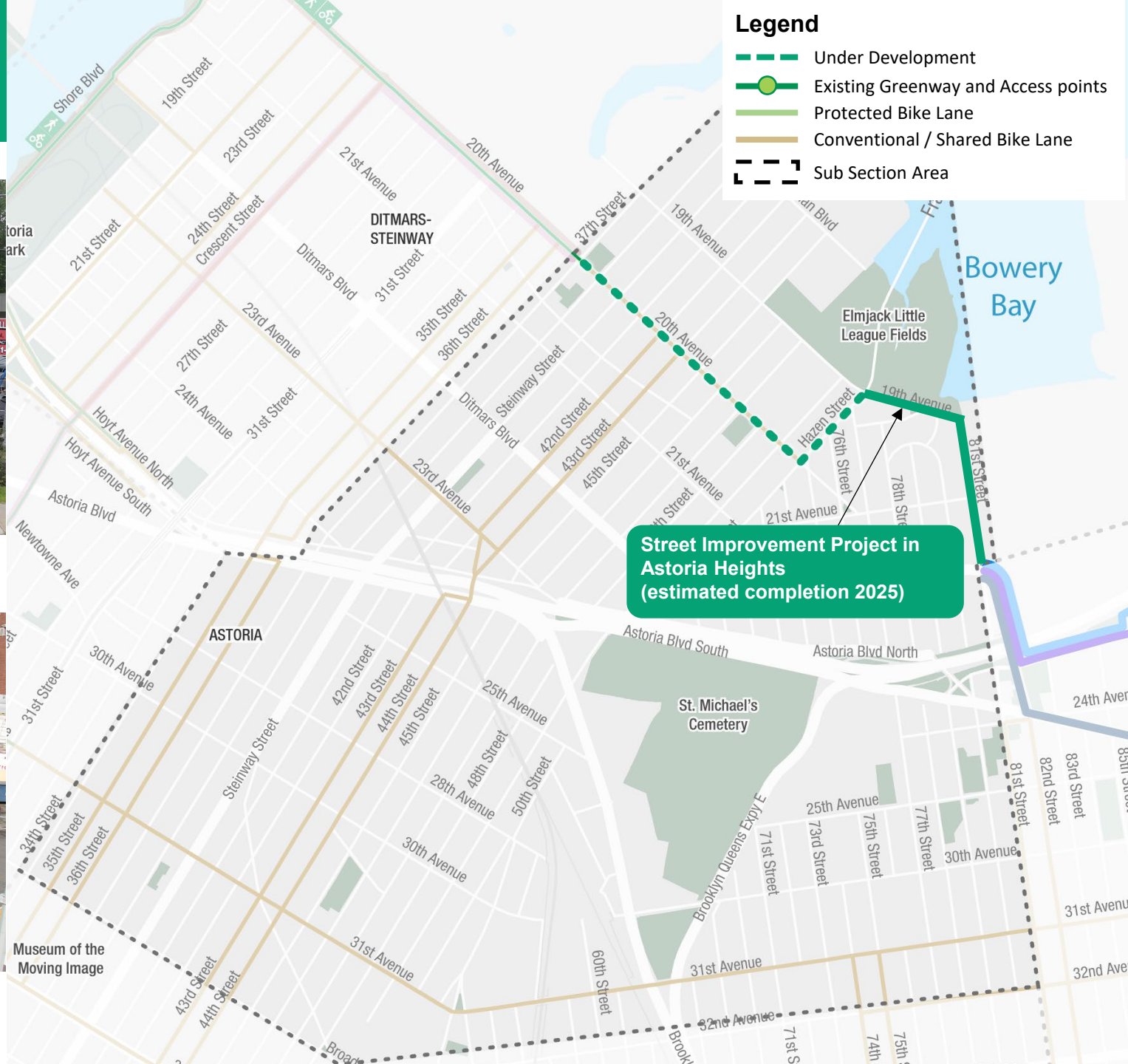
Astoria Heights Connection



Existing: view of 19th Ave., looking east (50')



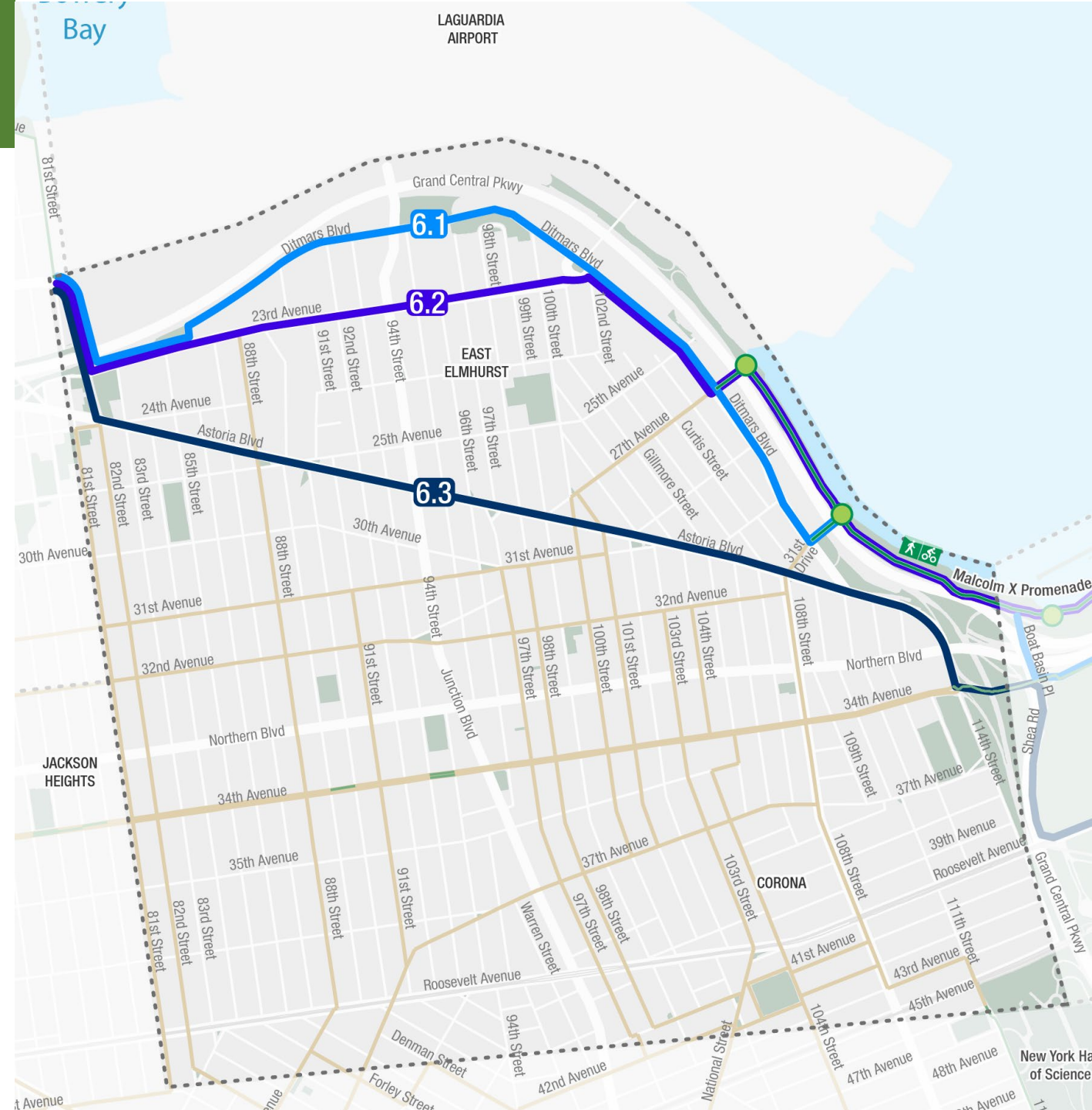
Proposed: 20th Ave., looking west (50')



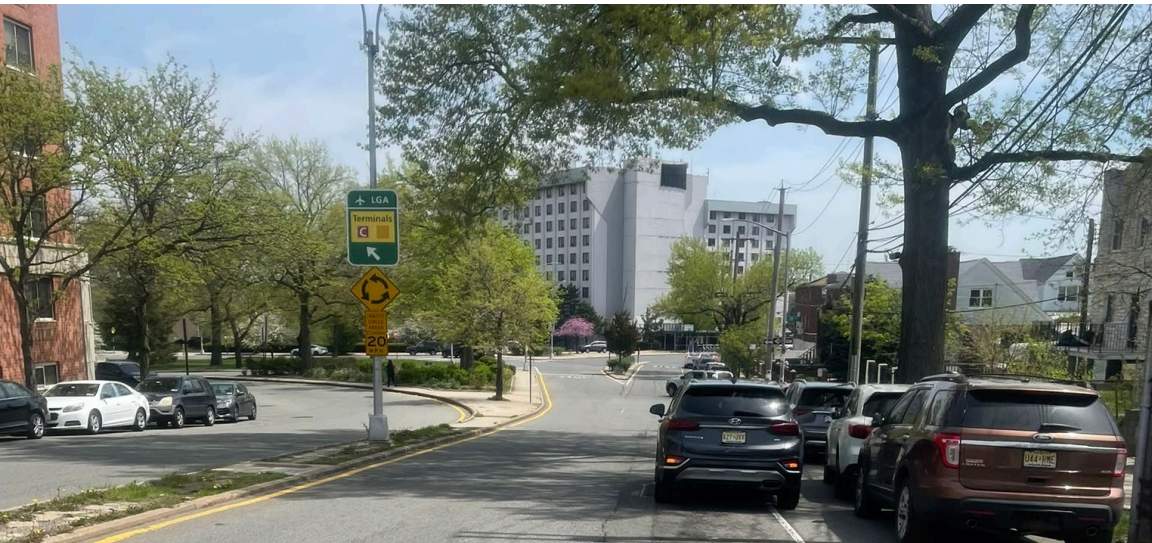
Section 6

81st St. to Malcolm X Promenade

- **6.1 Ditmars Blvd.** – Closest to waterfront; connection to LaGuardia (94th St.)
- **6.2 23rd Ave.** – Neighborhood route that provides more direct connection to Malcolm X Promenade
- **6.3 Astoria Blvd.** – Inland, direct connection to Boat Basin Pl.; connection to CitiField; runs along Q33 and M60-SBS bus lines



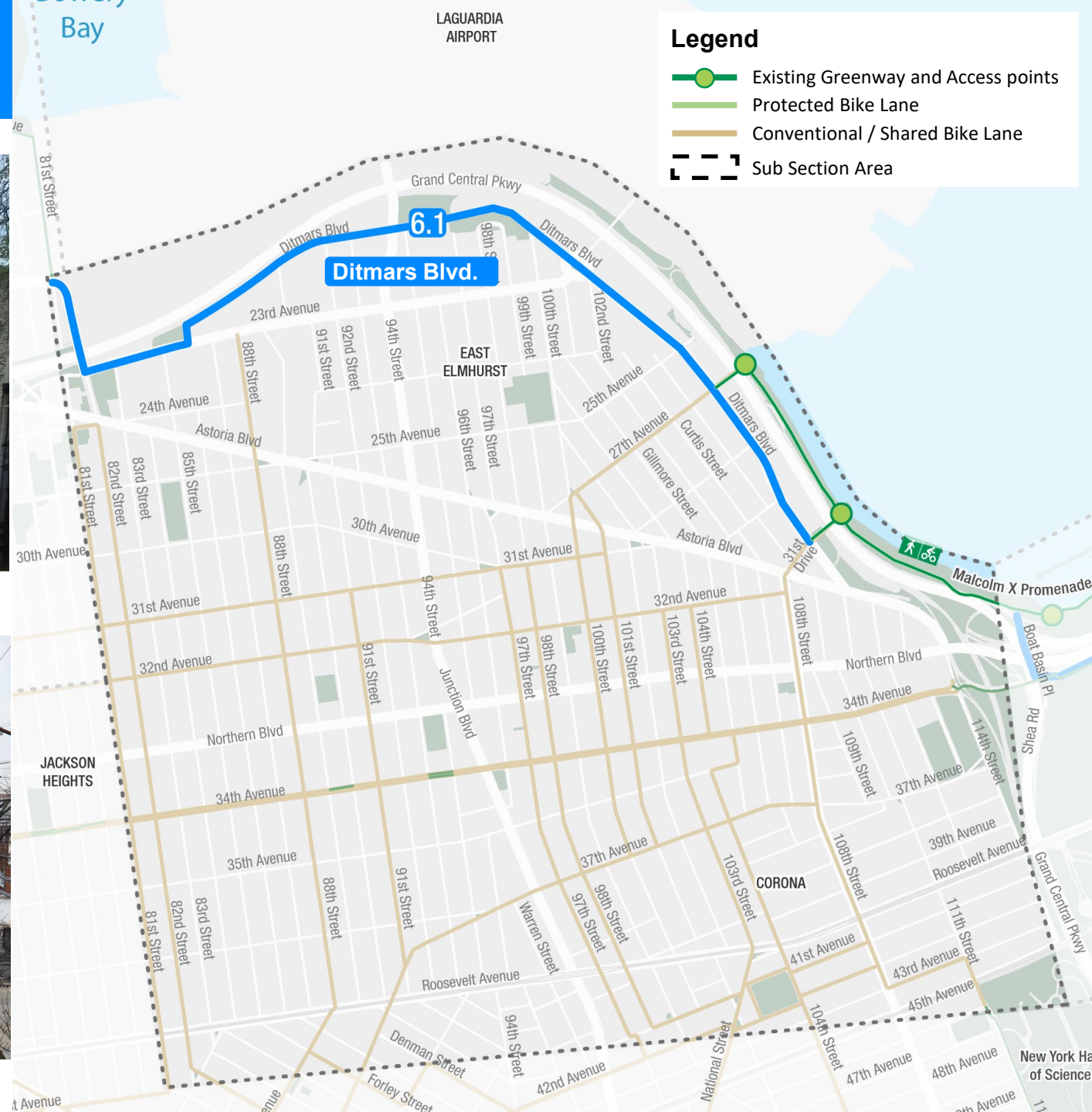
6.1 Ditmars Blvd.



Existing: Ditmars Blvd. & 81st St., looking east (70')



Proposed: Gerritsen Ave. and Bijou Ave., BK (60')



A wide-angle photograph of a city street in Manhattan, showing a green-painted bike lane with white directional arrows. A person is riding a bicycle in the lane. The street is lined with trees and buildings, including a 'MANHATTAN UNISEX' store on the left.

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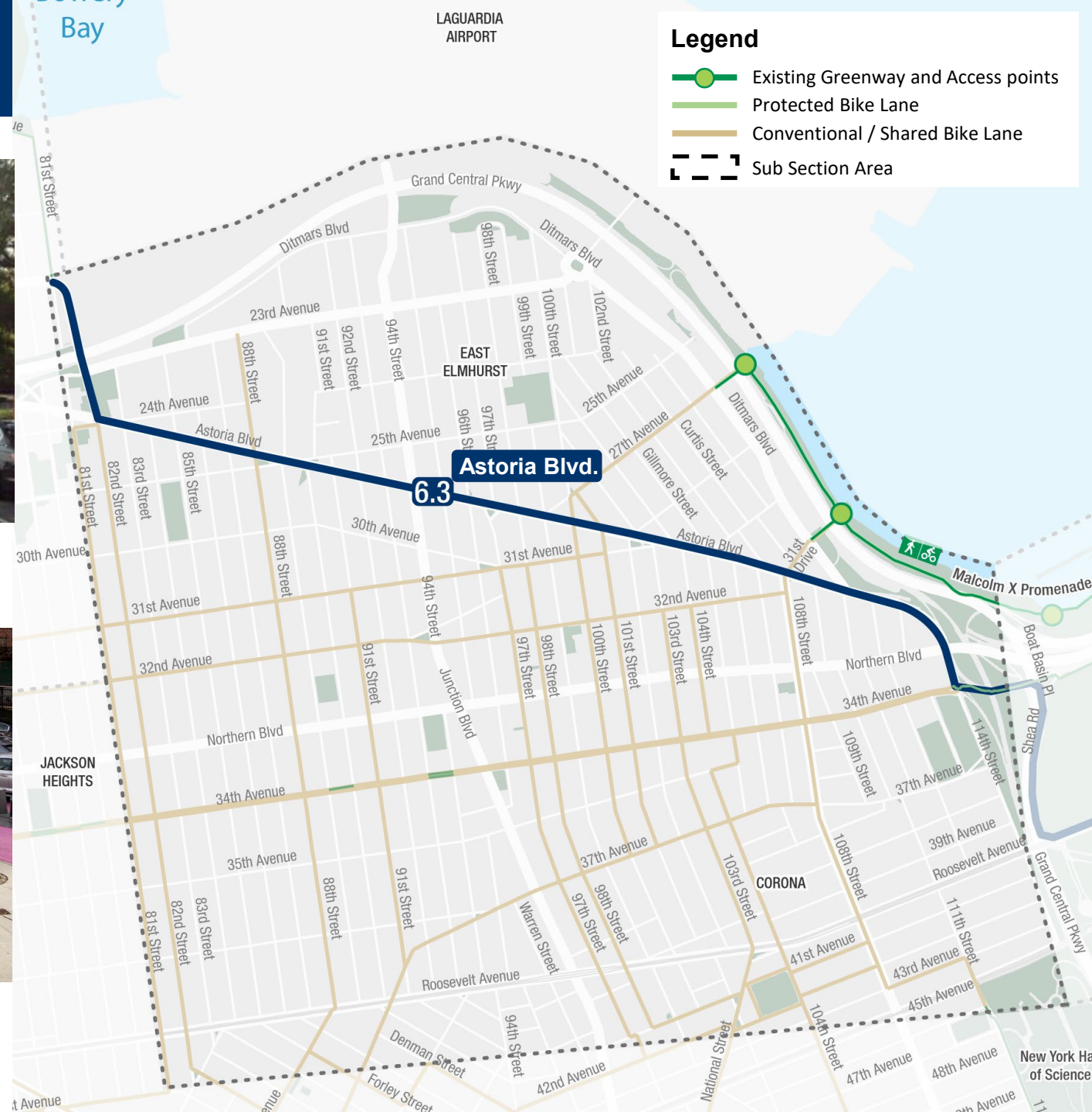
6.3 Astoria Blvd.



Existing: Astoria Blvd, looking east (90')



Proposed: University Ave. & Macombs Rd., BX (115')



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Section 6

81st St to Grand Central Pkwy.

Summary of route alternatives

6.1 Ditmars Blvd. (long-term)



6.1 Ditmars Blvd. –
Closest to the waterfront;
connections to LaGuardia

6.2 23rd Ave. (near-term)



6.2 23rd Ave. –
Inland, more direct
connection to Malcolm X
Promenade

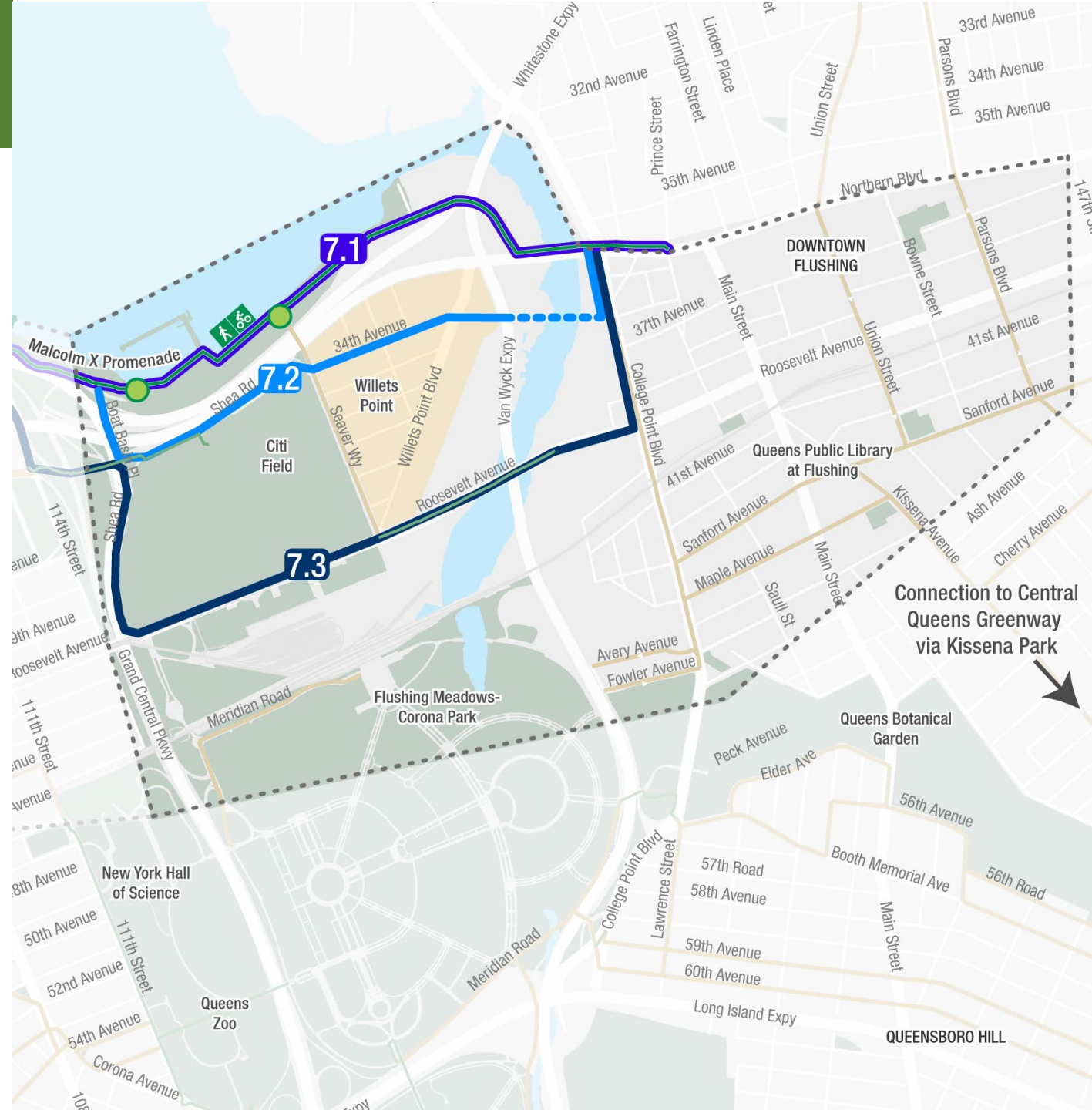
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Grand Central Pkwy to College Point Blvd

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- The map illustrates the proposed Queens Greenway routes in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park and surrounding areas. The routes are color-coded: Route 7.1 (purple), Route 7.2 (blue), and Route 7.3 (dark blue). Key landmarks and locations include Citi Field, Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, the Queens Zoo, and the New York Hall of Science. Major roads shown are Roosevelt Avenue, Van Wyck Expressway, and the Long Island Expressway. The map also highlights the connection to the Central Queens Greenway via Kissena Park, indicated by a dashed line and an arrow pointing towards the Kissena Park area.



7.1 Northern Blvd. Bridge



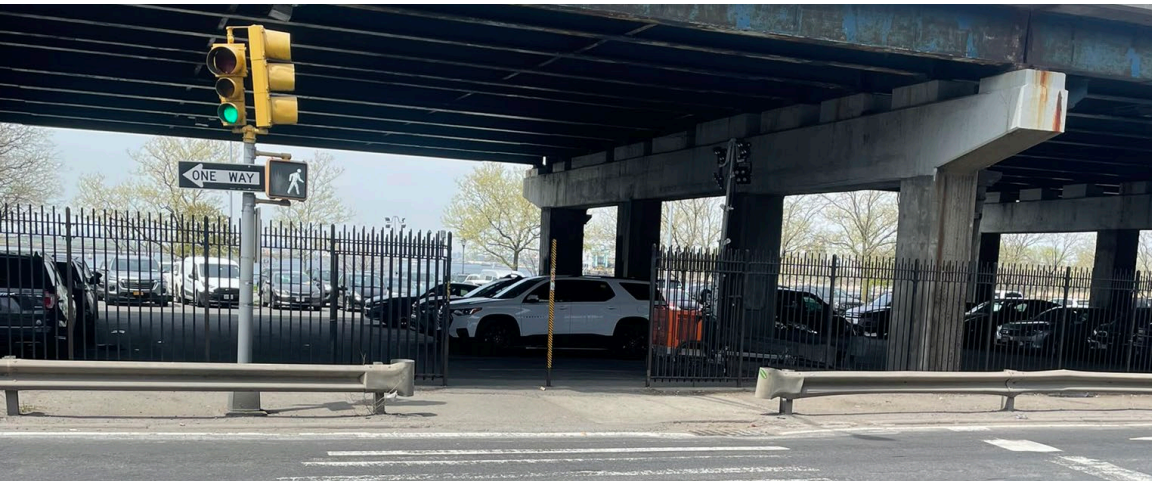
Existing: Northern Blvd. Bridge path (6')



Proposed: West Bernardo Dr. Shared-Use Path (cantilever structure), San Diego, CA



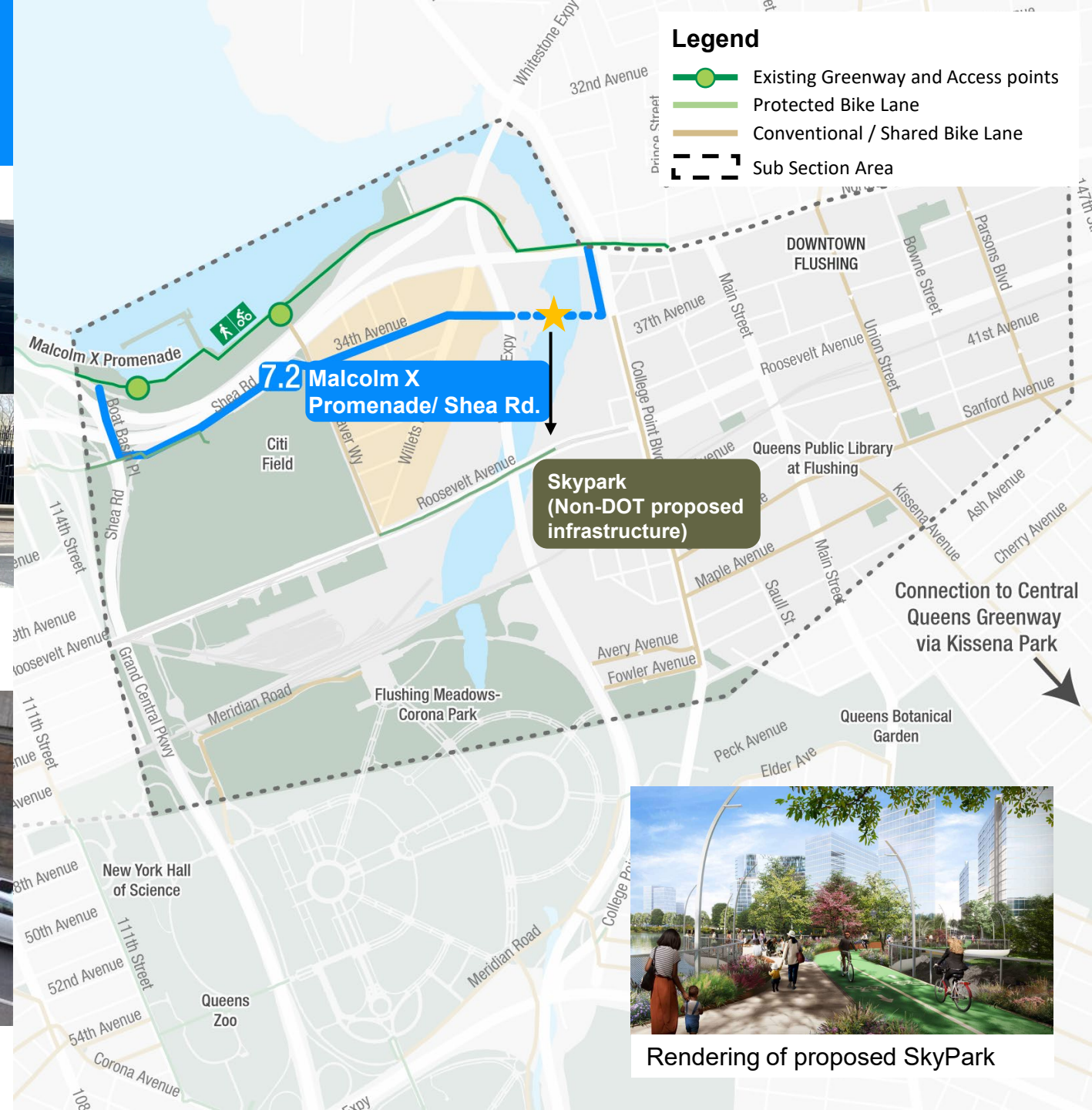
7.2 Shea Rd./34th Ave.



Existing: Marina Rd./Malcolm X Promenade, looking east



Proposed: 4th St. & Borinquen Pl., BK (31')



Rendering of proposed Skypark

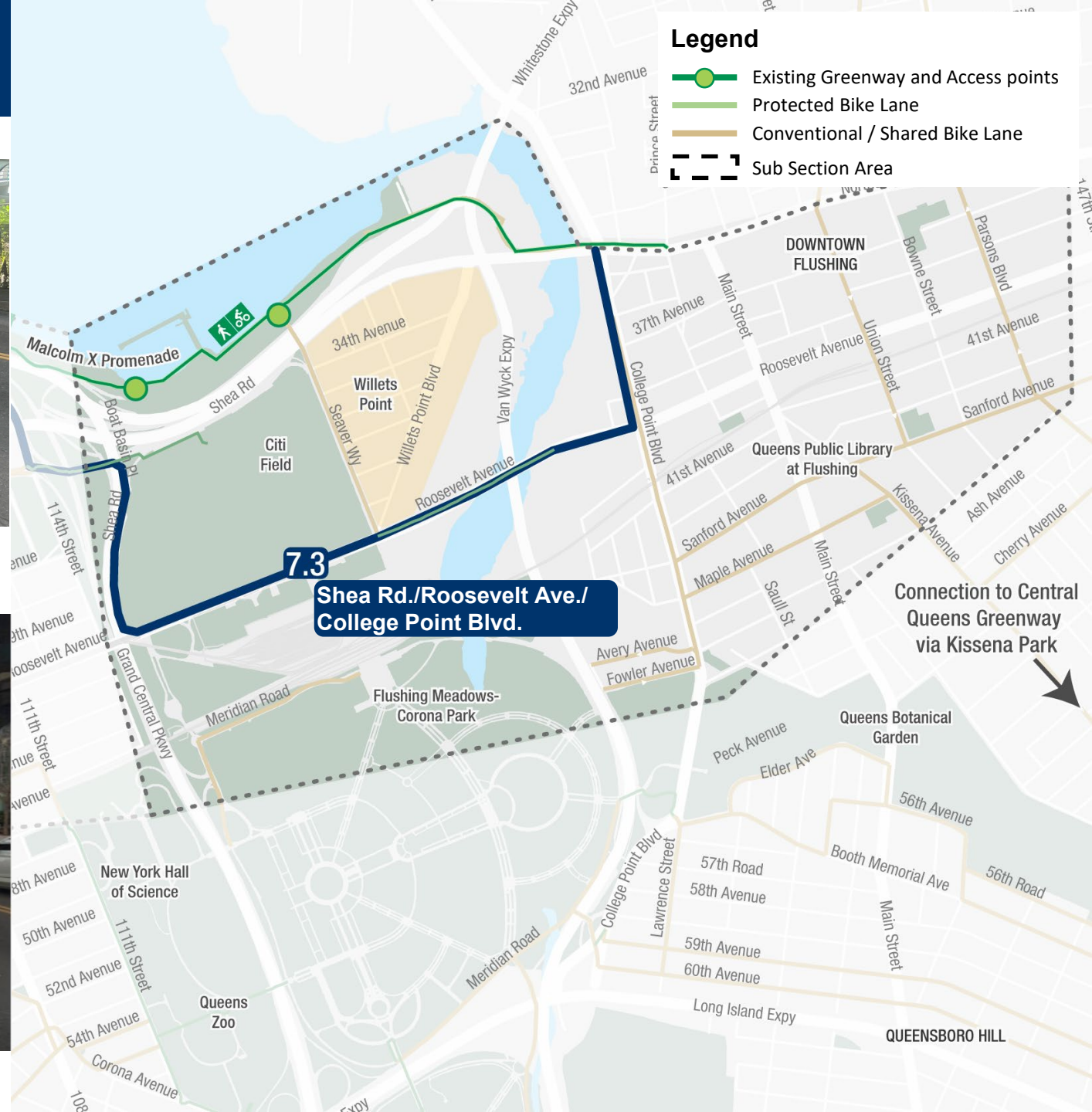
7.3 Roosevelt Ave.



Existing: Roosevelt Ave. at Stadium Plaza S., looking east (42')



Proposed: Queens Blvd. & Jackson Ave.



Section 7

Grand Central Pkwy. to College Point Blvd.

Summary of route alternatives

7.1 Malcolm X./ Northern Blvd. (long-term)



7.1 Malcolm X./Northern Blvd. –

Most waterfront route
via Malcom X Promenade
with connection to Citi
Field, Willets point and
Downtown Flushing

7.2 Shea Rd./34th Ave. (long-term)



7.2 Shea Rd./Malcolm X. –

Route closest to CitiField
via Shea Rd. with access
to the Promenade via
College Point Blvd.

7.3 Roosevelt Ave. (near-term)



7.4 Roosevelt Ave. –

East-west route with
alternative option for
crossing Flushing Creek
and direct connection to
the subway

Break-out Groups (1 hour)

Tell us what you think!

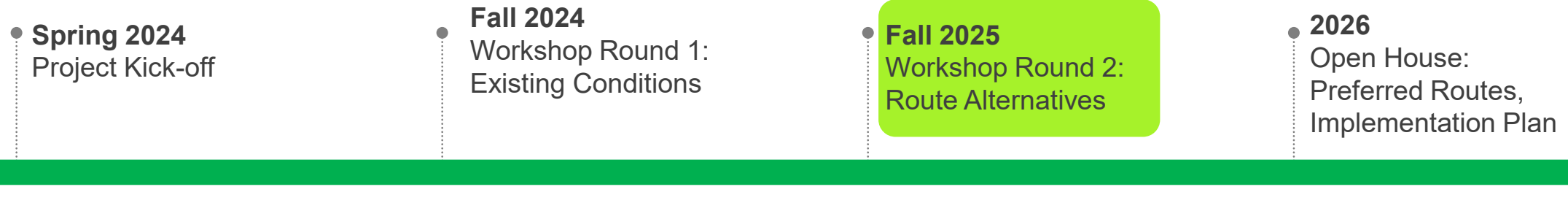


Report Back (15 mins)



Project Timeline

Milestones:



Outreach Throughout Process:

- Greenways Community Working Group meetings
- Public engagement at community events
- Elected Officials, Community Boards, stakeholders
- Data collection & analysis

Stay in touch:

- Project Website/feedback portal
- Newsletters, group e-mails
- Social Media
- Flyer Distribution

Questions? Email queenswaterfrontgreenway@publicworkspartners.com

Thank you!

Questions?

