

## WORKSHOP TABLE EXERCISE

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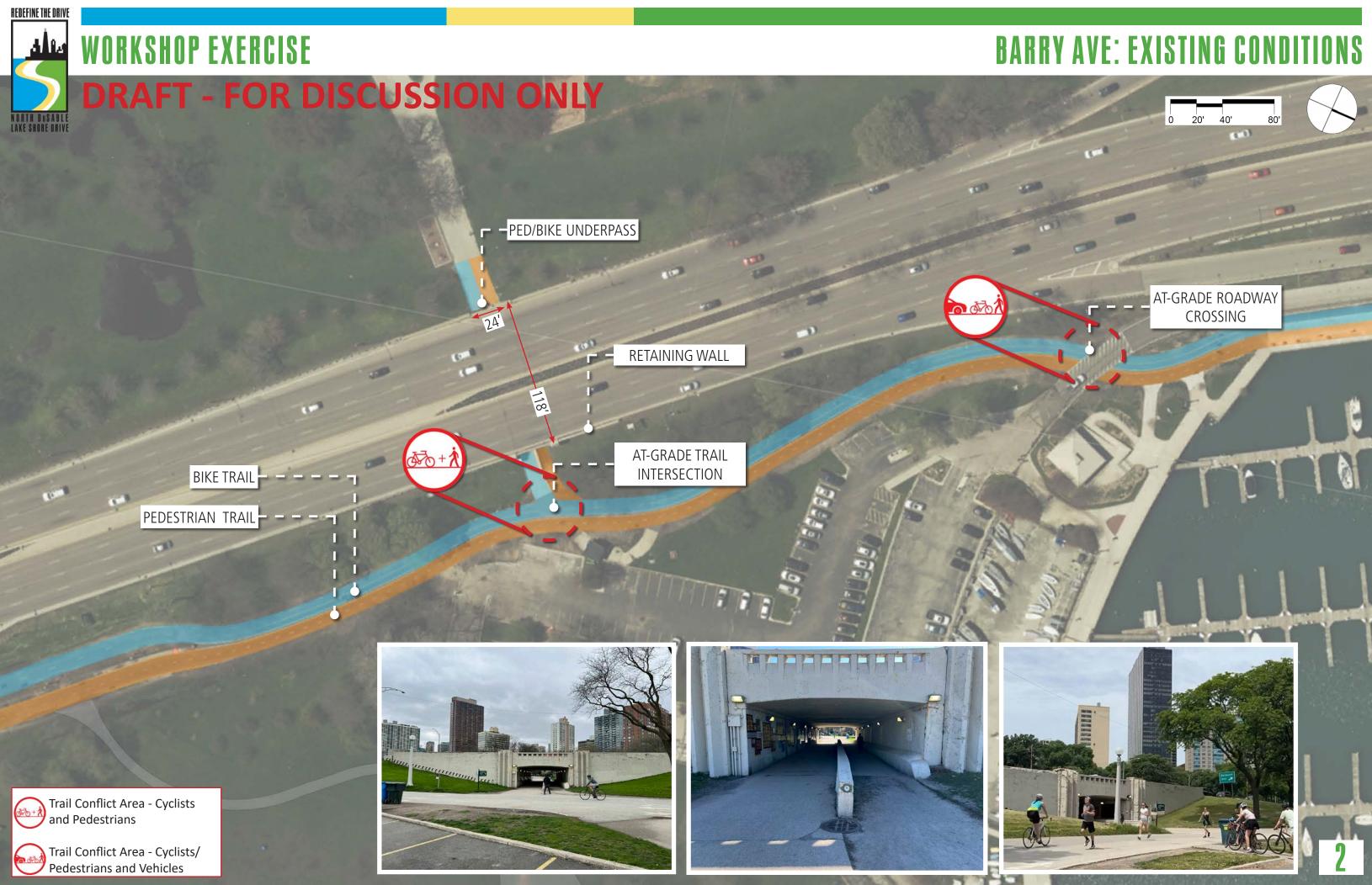
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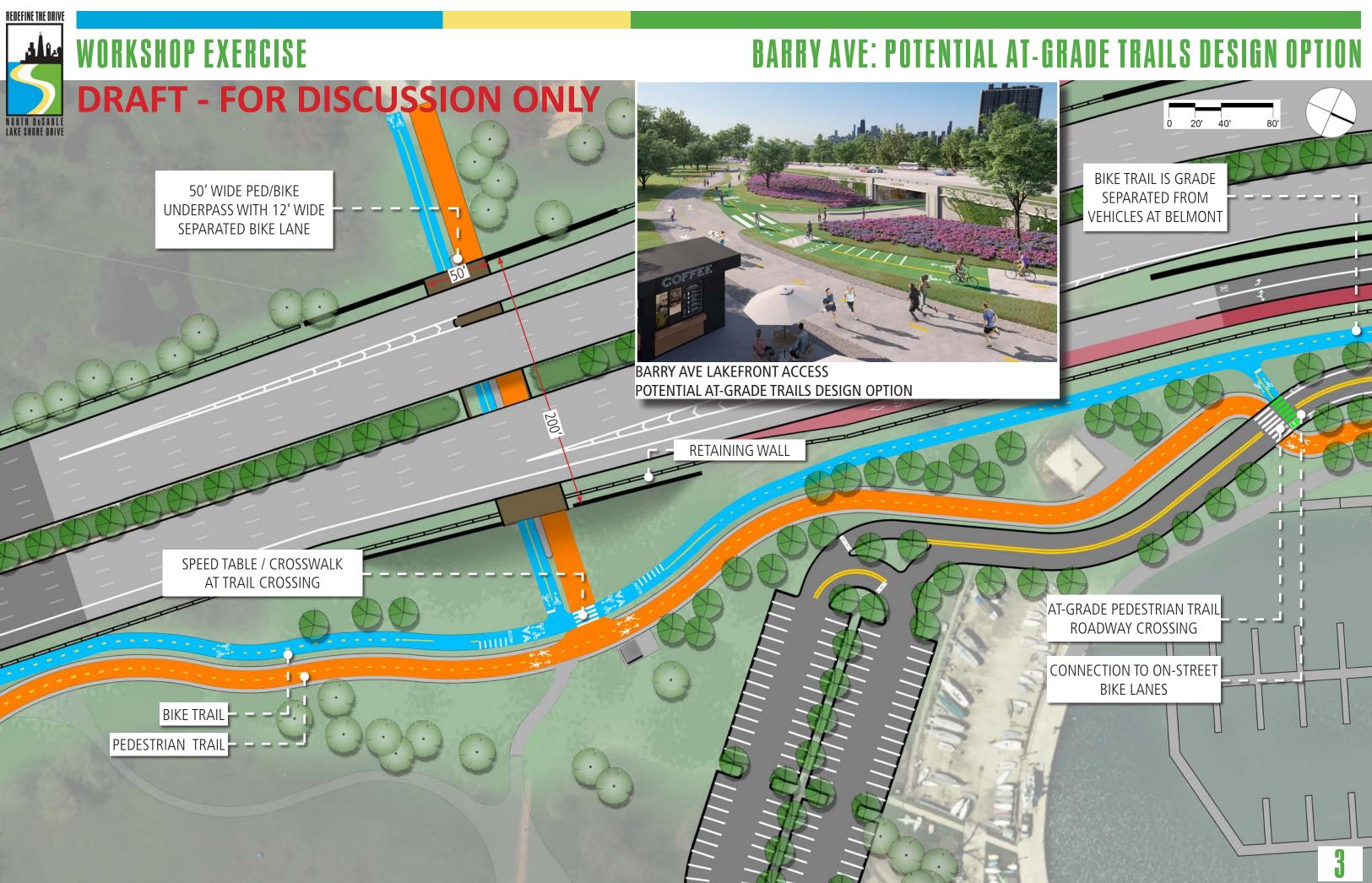
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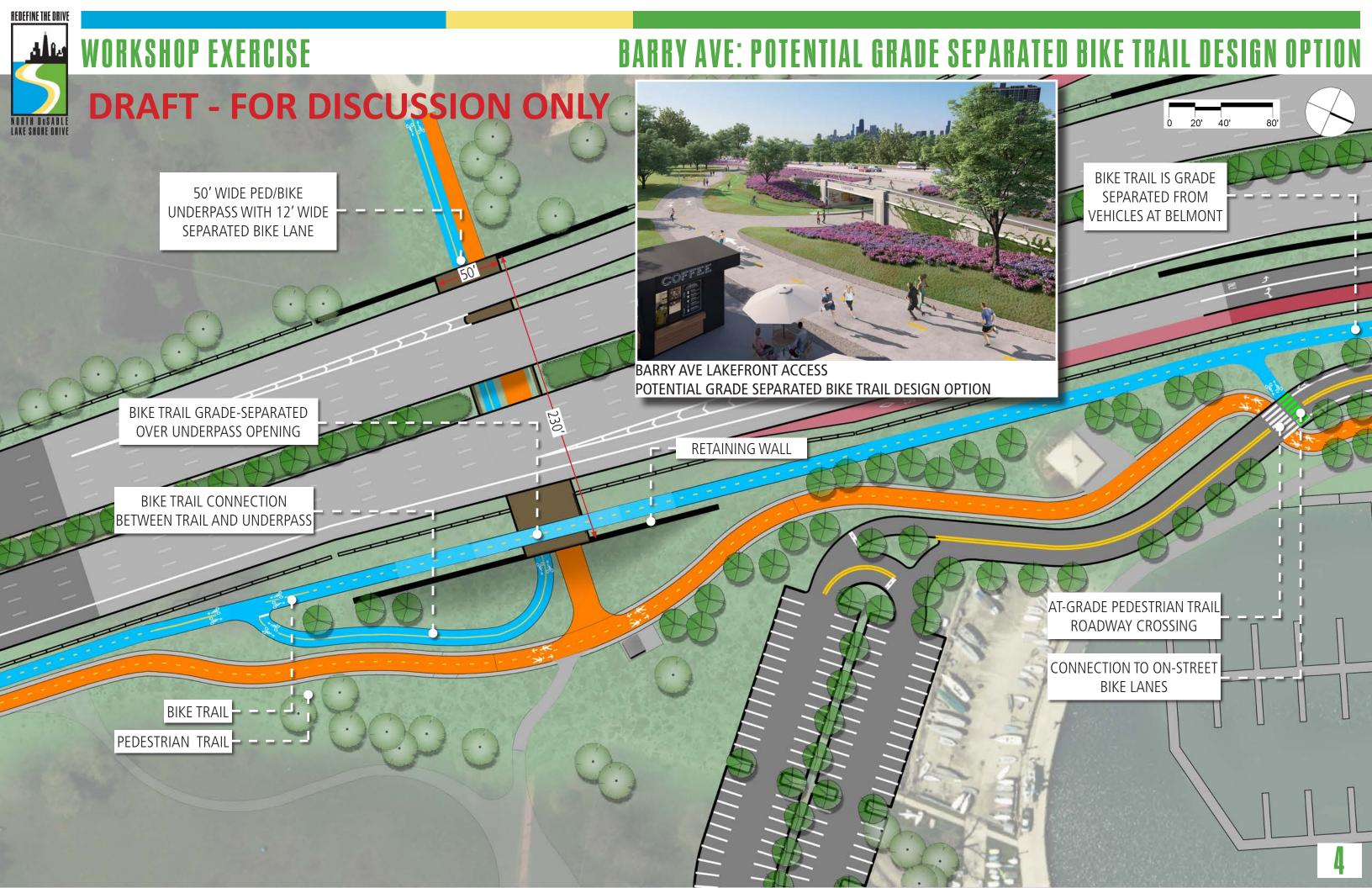
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### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- Heavy trail and lakefront access usage results in conflicts • between users at access points
- Narrow underpass limits visibility and sight-lines for users entering and exiting
- Variety of user speeds and crossing movements result in conflicts
- Documented safety concerns from Task Force and Public Meeting atendees at this and similar trail junctions



### POTENTIAL AT-GRADE TRAILS

- At-grade design will allow for simplified trail access and eliminates grade changes for cyclists
- Wider underpasses will allow better visibility and improved sight lines for users entering and exiting
- Additional pavement markings, material changes and raised design can be utilized to slow down and alert users that this is a crossing area.
- Keeping the bike trail at-grade will reduce the length of the underpass by around 30ft.



### POTENTIAL GRADE SEPARATED BIKE TRAIL

## BARRY AVE: SUMMARY

Grade separation of bike trail will eliminate most conflicts as users enter the lakefront park

Wider underpasses will allow better visibility and improved sight lines for users entering and exiting

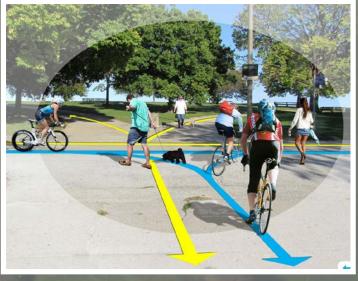
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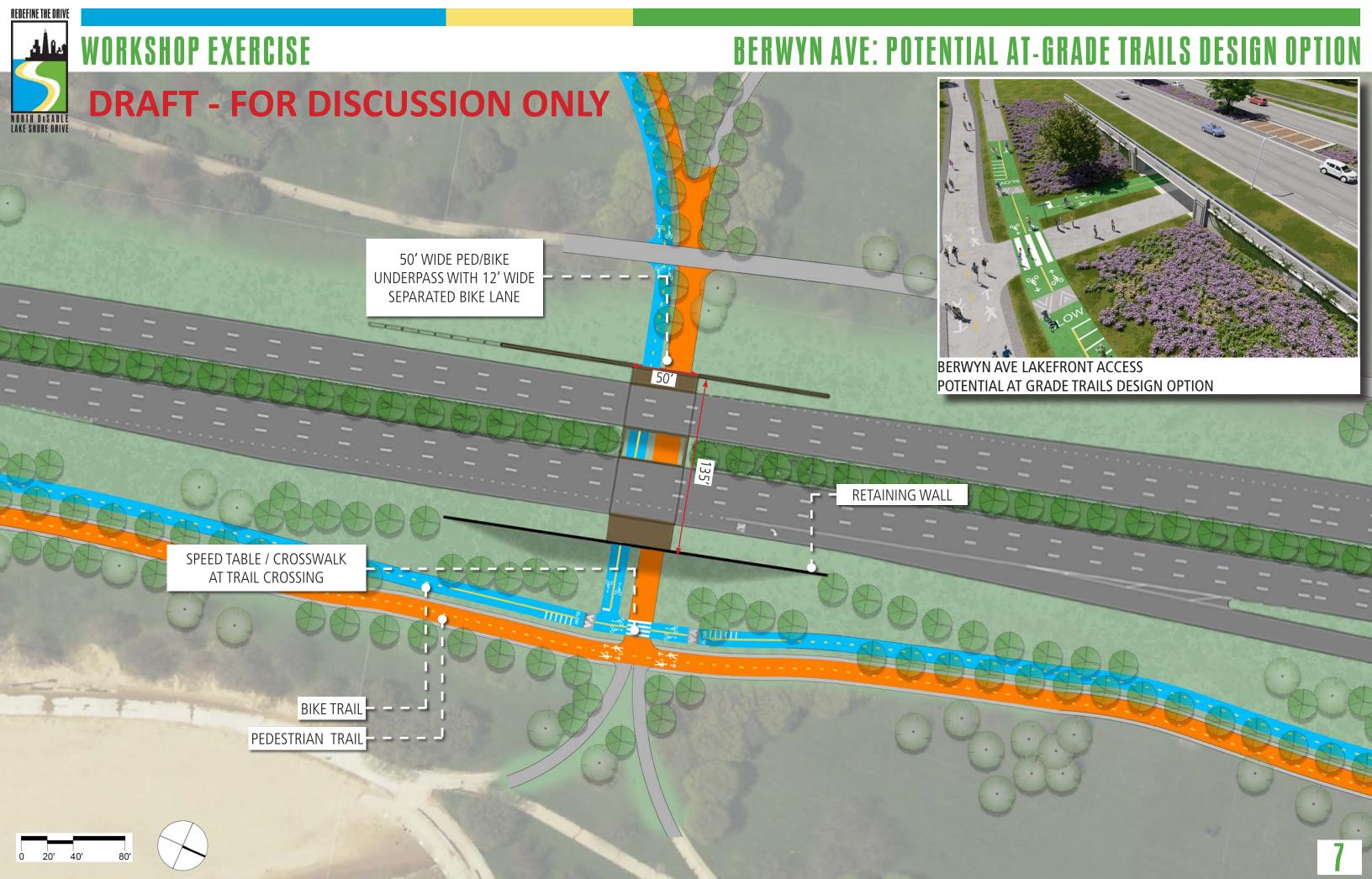


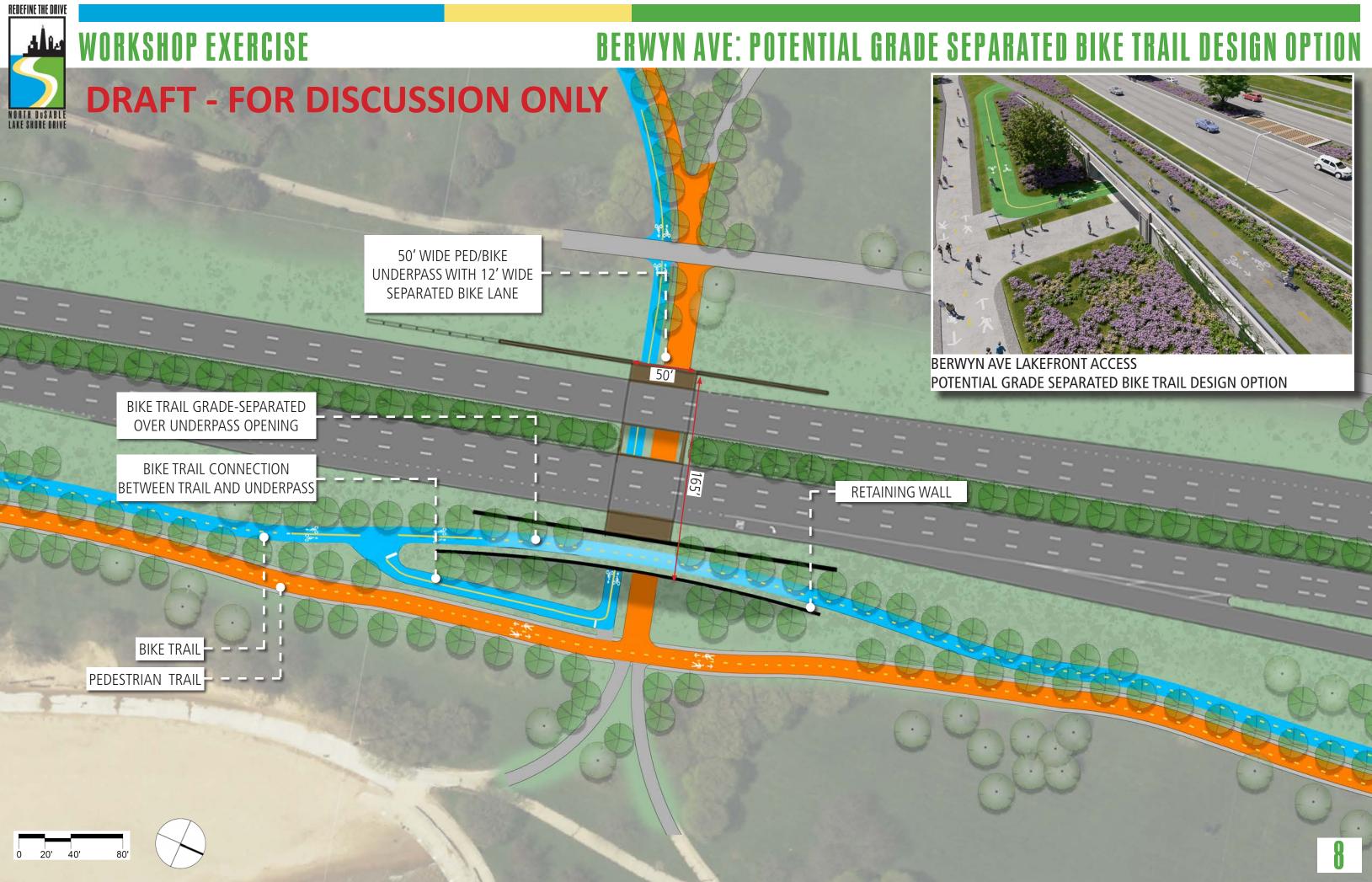
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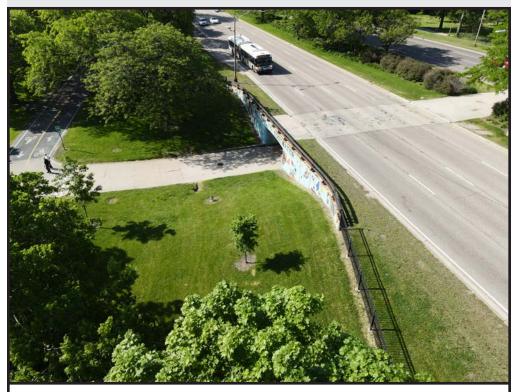












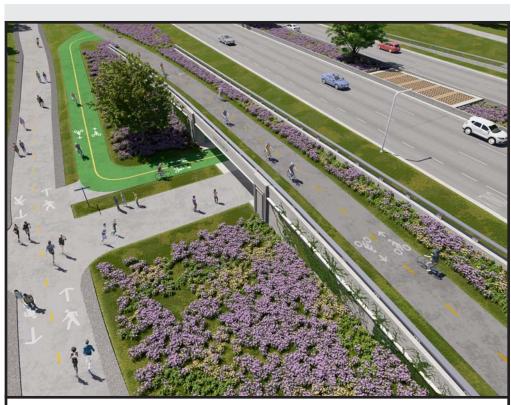
### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- Trail volumes at Berwyn are lower than areas further south, but conflicts at this access point still exist
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- Variety of user speeds and crossing movements result in conflicts
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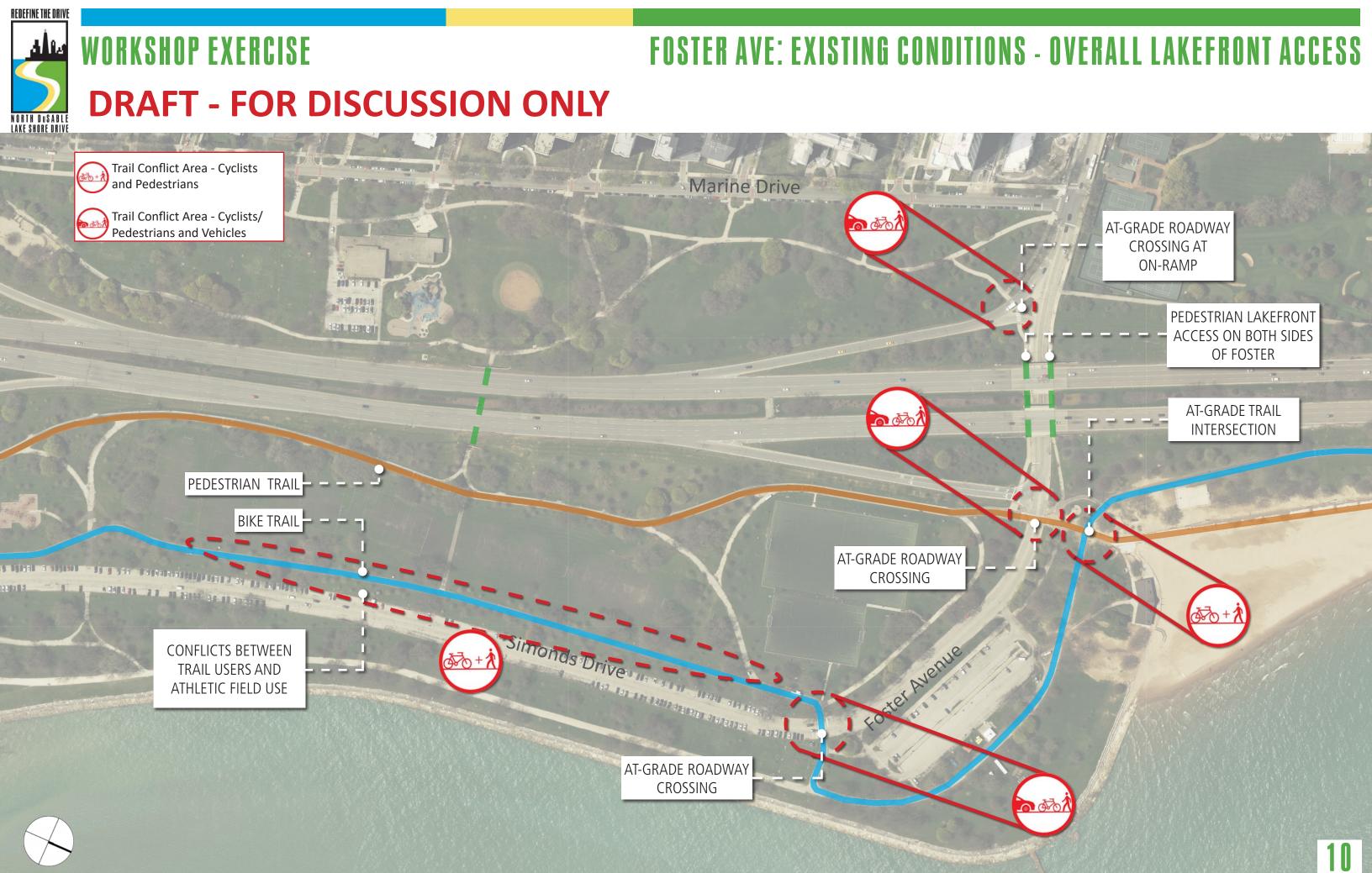
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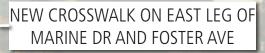
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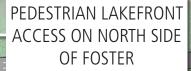
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### GRADE SEPARATION ALTERNATIVES: SEE PAGES 12-15



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and Pedestrians



Trail Conflict Area - Cyclists/ Pedestrians and Vehicles

> PEDESTRIAN LAKEFRONT ACCESS ON BOTH SIDES OF FOSTER

AT-GRADE ROADWAY TRAIL CROSSING

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AT-GRADE TRAIL INTERSECTION

PEDESTRIAN TRAIL



**BIKE TRAIL** 

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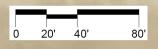
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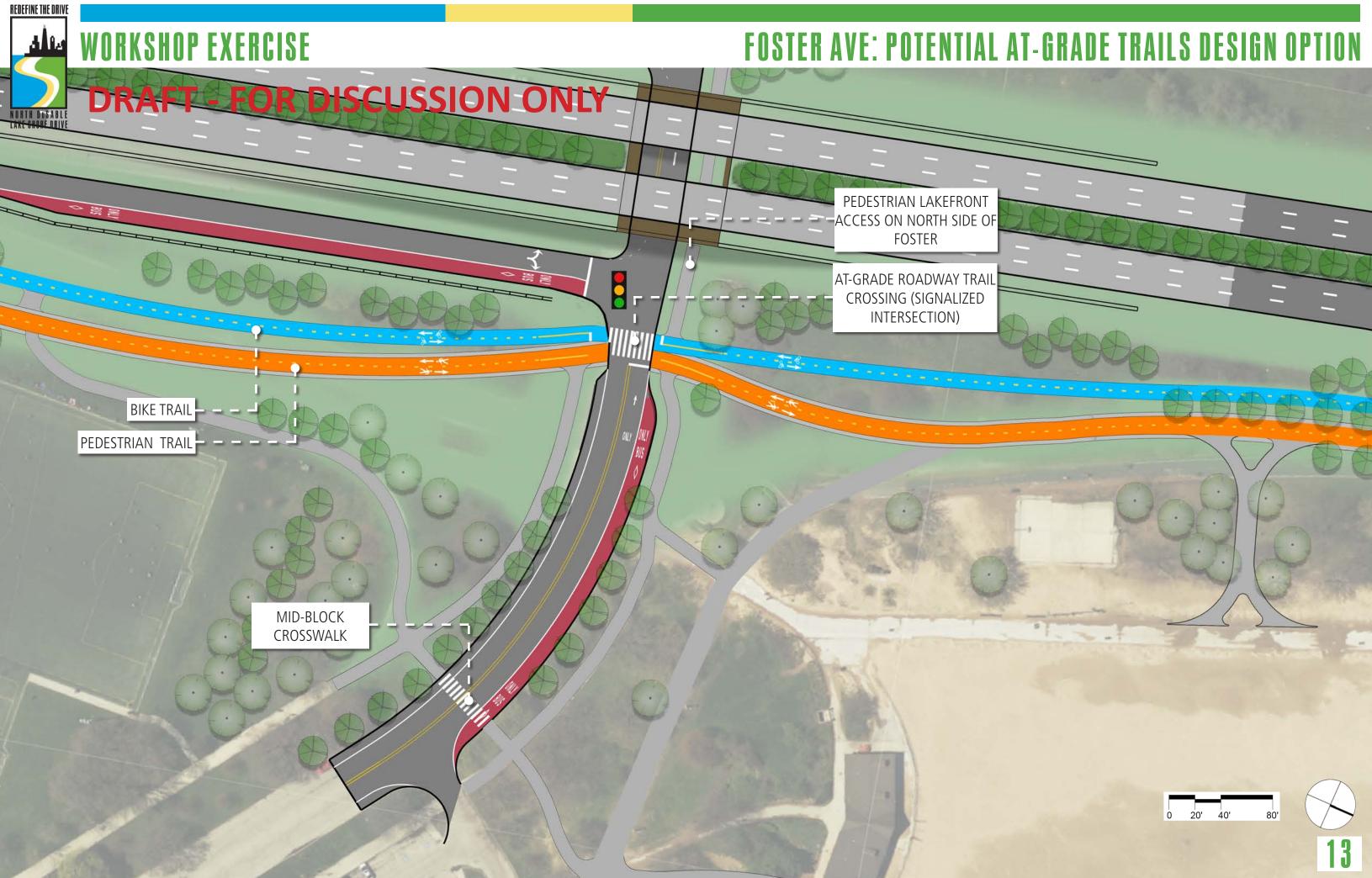
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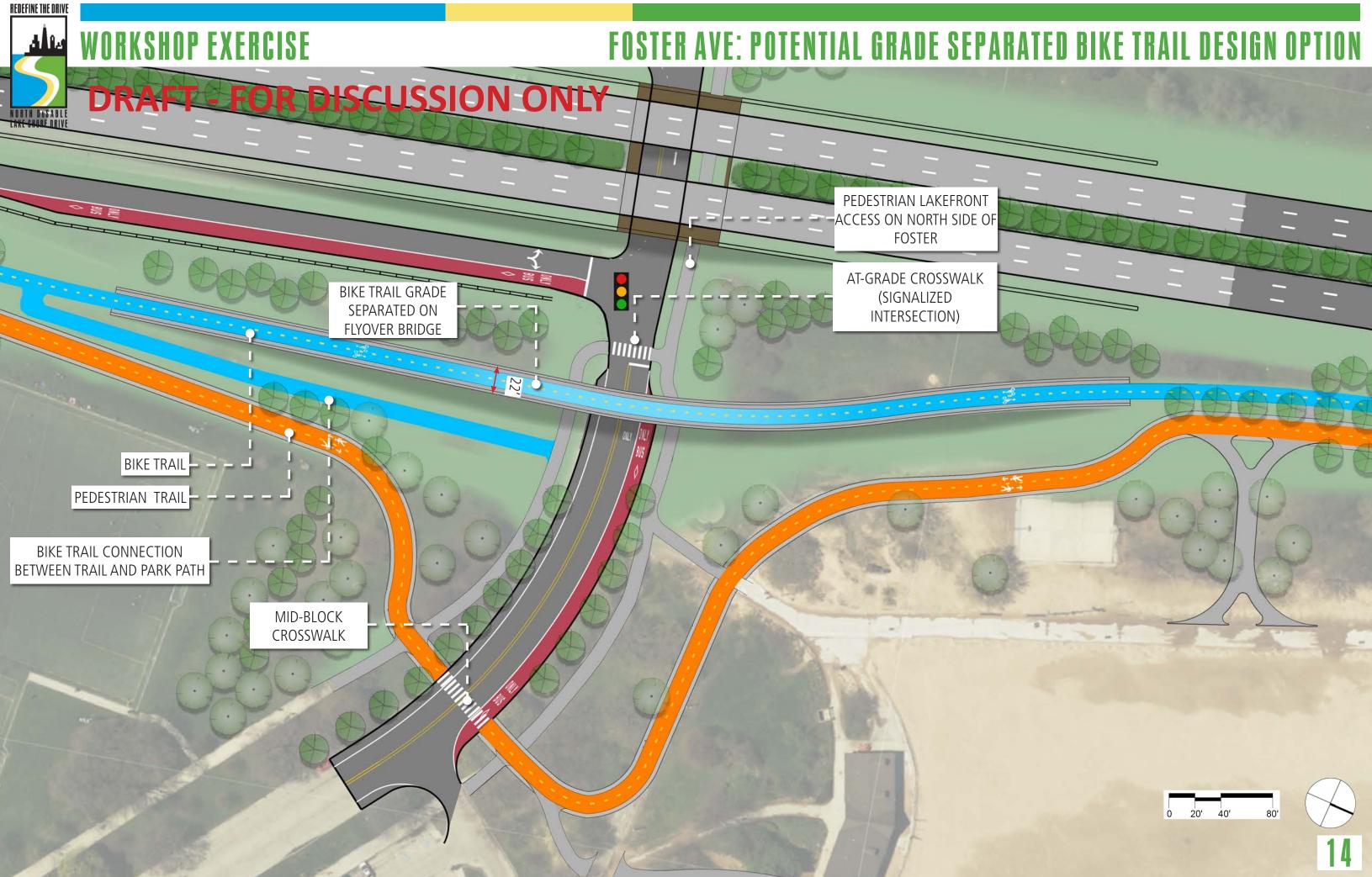


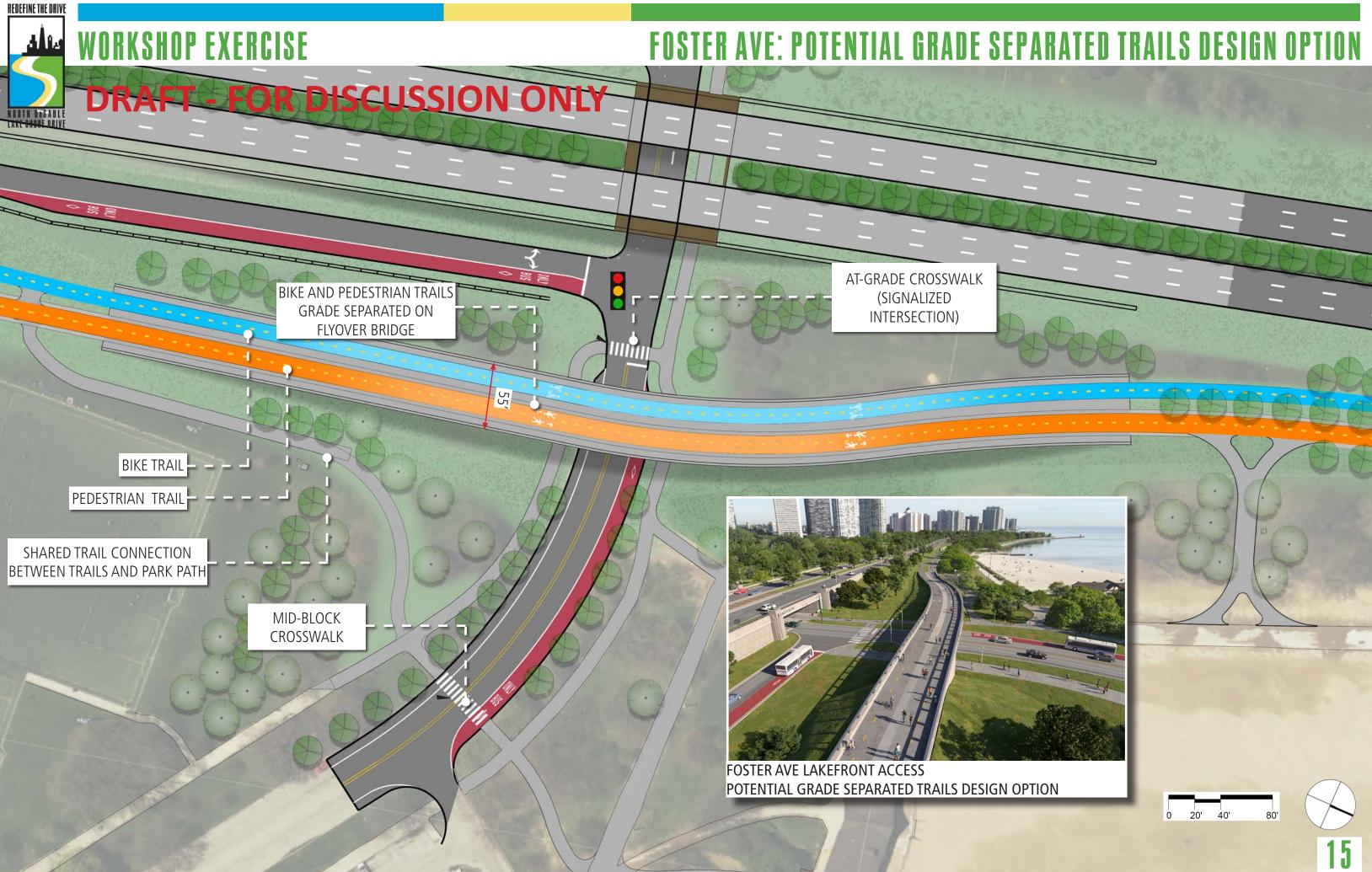














## WORKSHOP EXERCISE

## **DRAFT - FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- Trail volumes at Foster are lower than areas further south
- Intersecting trails with blind curves create a major conflict point
- Sand frequently blows onto the trails in this location, making it challenging for rolling users
- High number of cyclists on pedestrian trail, and pedestrians on bike trail in this area
- At grade trail roadway crossings with curved approaches make it difficult for motorists to see oncoming trail traffic
- Unsignalized roadway crossings create confusion for drivers when some trail users stop and others don't
- Documented safety concerns from Task Force and Public Meeting atendees at this and similar trail junctions

### POTENTIAL DESIGN: AT-GRADE TRAILS

- Design will consolidate trails crossing Foster at one signalized crosswalk
- Bike trail alignment will be revised to run more directly North/South, between the roadway and pedestrian trail - providing better routing and eliminating conflicts with athletic field use
- Ped/Bike trail intersection will be eliminated, reducing conflicts between bikes and peds
- Trail layout will be more intuitive for users to determine which trail they should be on
- New mid-block crossing will allow more direct beach access from park

### POTENTIAL DESIGN: GRADE SEPARATED BIKE TRAIL

- Higher speed users on bike trail will be grade-separated from the vehicle crossing at Foster to eliminate conflicts with vehicles
- Flyover bridge design would be 22ft wide and introduce an incline that cyclists would need to navigate
- A separate connecting path will be needed to allow cyclists to access the bike trail
- In order to encourage cycists to use the flyover bridge, the pedestrian trail is routed further west in this option crossing Foster at the mid-block crossing
- Pedestrian trail routing will add extra steps to continue North and South beyond Foster Ave.

## FOSTER AVE: SUMMARY

### POTENTIAL DESIGN: GRADE SEPARATED BIKE AND PED TRAILS

- All trail users would have a fully grade separated connection that eliminates conflicts with vehicles
- Flyover bridge would be 55ft wide, carrying both trails, and introduce an incline that walking, rolling and biking would need to navigate
- Pedestrian and Bike trail users would share an access path to the trails through the park
- The Foster intersection will be signalized with a standard at-grade crosswalk for non-trail users
- The North/South routing of both trails provides a direct route through the space, but access to both trails would require users to enter the park first





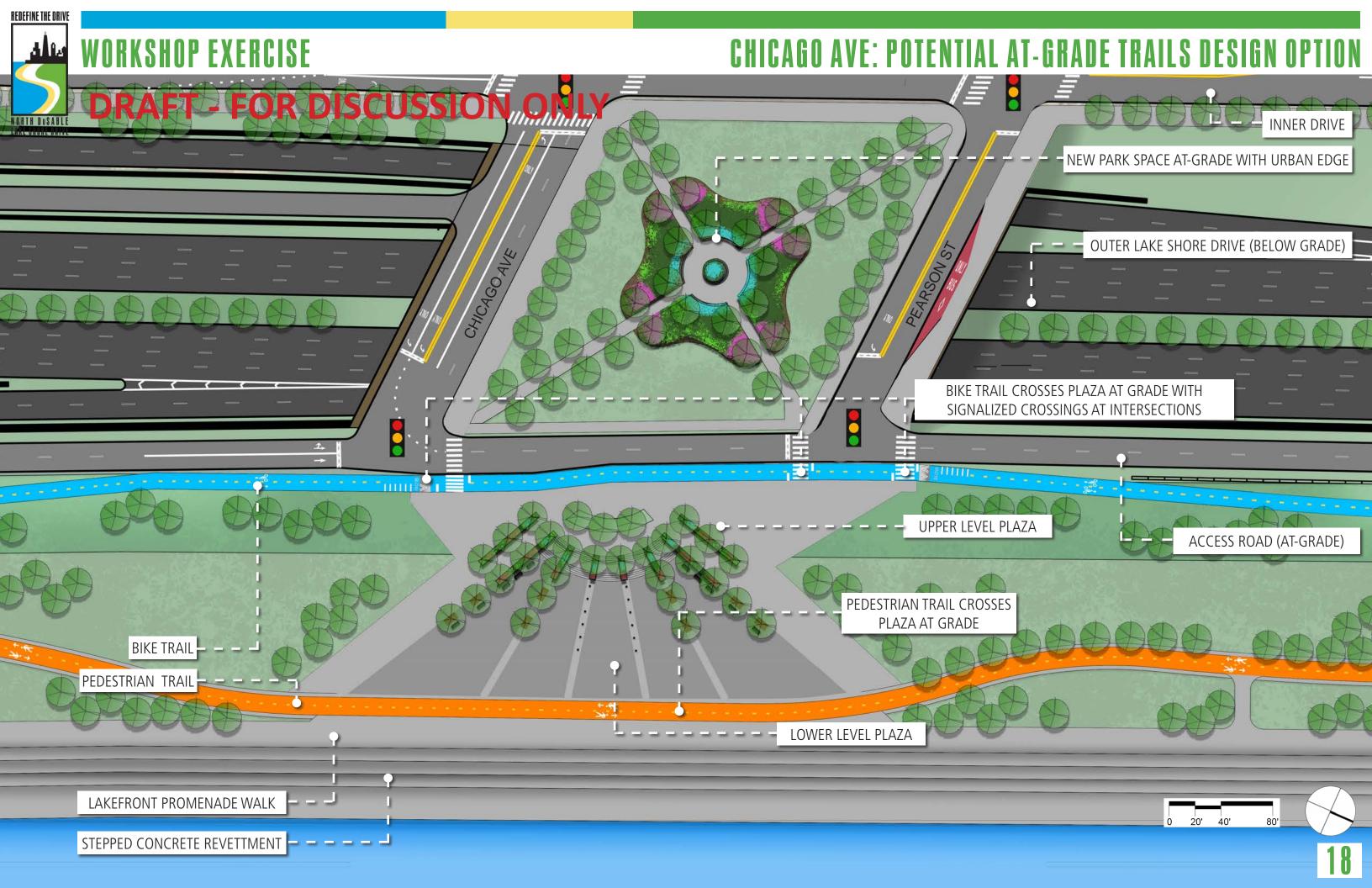


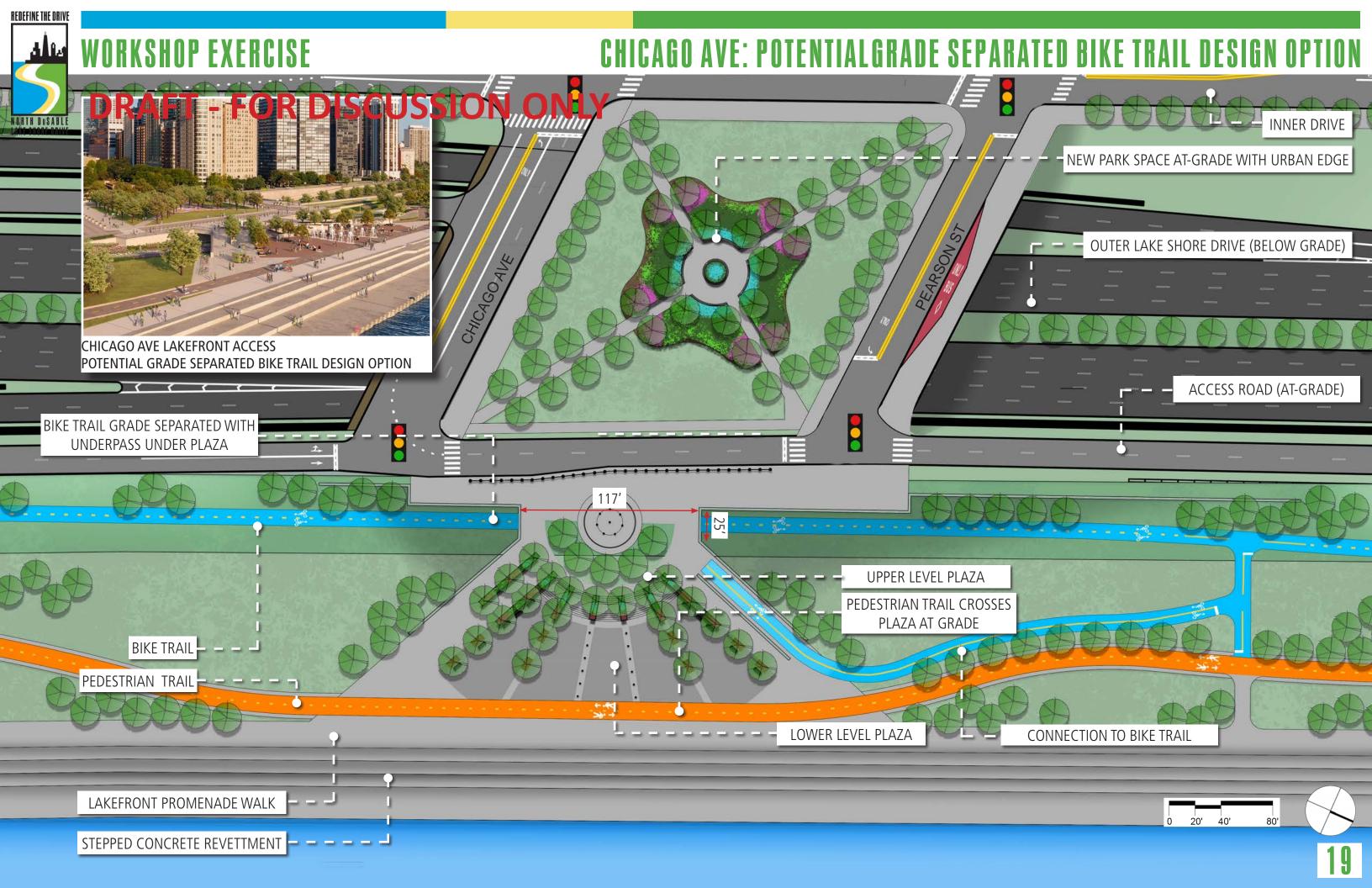


## CHICAGO AVE: EXISTING CONDITIONS

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## **WORKSHOP EXERCISE**

## **DRAFT - FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- Heavy trail and lakefront access volumes results in conflicts between users at access points
- Narrow underpass with stairs and circuitous exit is difficult to find and use, and is incaccessible for many users
- Worn trail markings make delination of spaces for separated trails unclear and confusing for users
- Variety of user speeds and crossing movements result in conflicts
- Documented safety concerns from Task Force and Public Meeting atendees at this and similar trail junctions

### POTENTIAL AT-GRADE BIKE TRAIL

- At-grade design will allow for simplified and more intuitive trail access and eliminates grade changes for cyclists
- Updated roadway design allows for multiple signalized crossing points to the lakefront, without the need for an underpass
- Additional pavement markings, material changes and speed cushions can be utilized to slow down and alert cyclists that they are approaching a trail crossing
- The at-grade bike trail will reduce available space within the plaza for other uses

- space

### CHICAGO AVE: SUN

### POTENTIAL GRADE SEPARATED BIKE TRAIL

Grade separation of bike trail will reduce higher speed conflicts as users enter the lakefront park

Grade separated design will introduce additional elevation that cyclists will need to navigate

Grade separation requires additional infrastructure including retaining walls on the perimeter of the plaza

Underpass design will require a separate connection trail to allow cyclists accessing the lakefront at Chicago Ave to connect to the trail, and requires Southbound cyclists to ride to the North first to get on the trail