



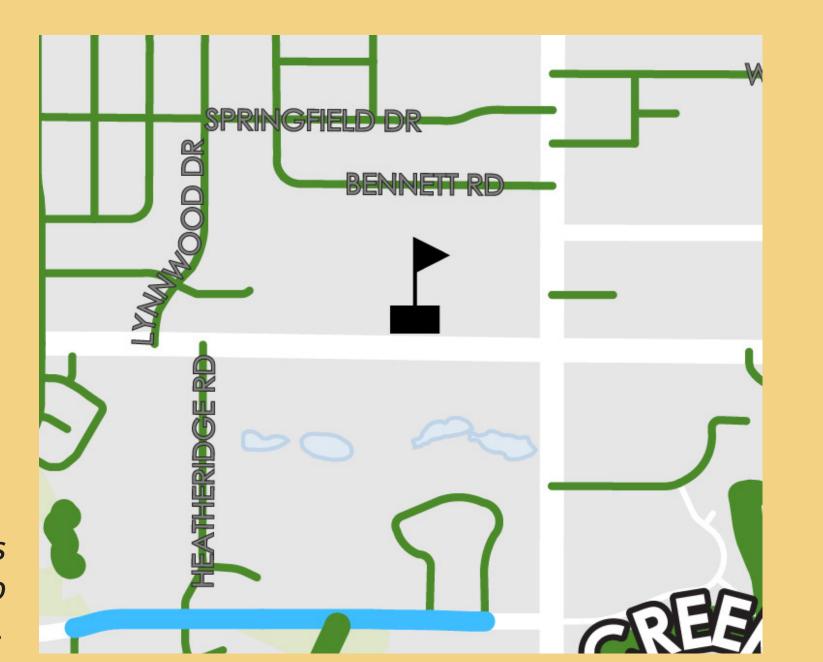
# Physical Network Approach

#### Low-stress Facilities Form Network Backbone

#### Mostly on existing LTS 1 & 2 facilities:

Paved trails Low-volume & low-speed local streets Higher speed local streets with traffic calming

> Local LTS 1 streets west of Shields Street do not connect today to form an alternative route.



Improvements decrease stress of LTS 3 & 4 facilities:

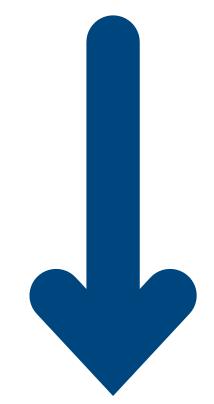
Collector streets with buffered or protected Arterial streets with protected bike lanes

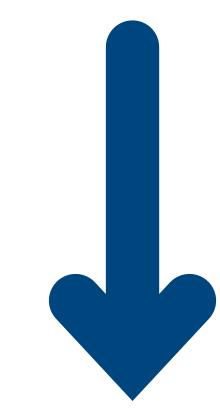
Initial improvements implemented by 2020

#### Intersection Improvements Create Critical Connections

LTS 1 & 2 streets need low-stress connections across arterials

Adding a two-way sidepath on the north side of Prospect Rd at Heatheridge allows bicycle traffic to cross at the signal in both directions.





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### Arterials Complement Low-stress System

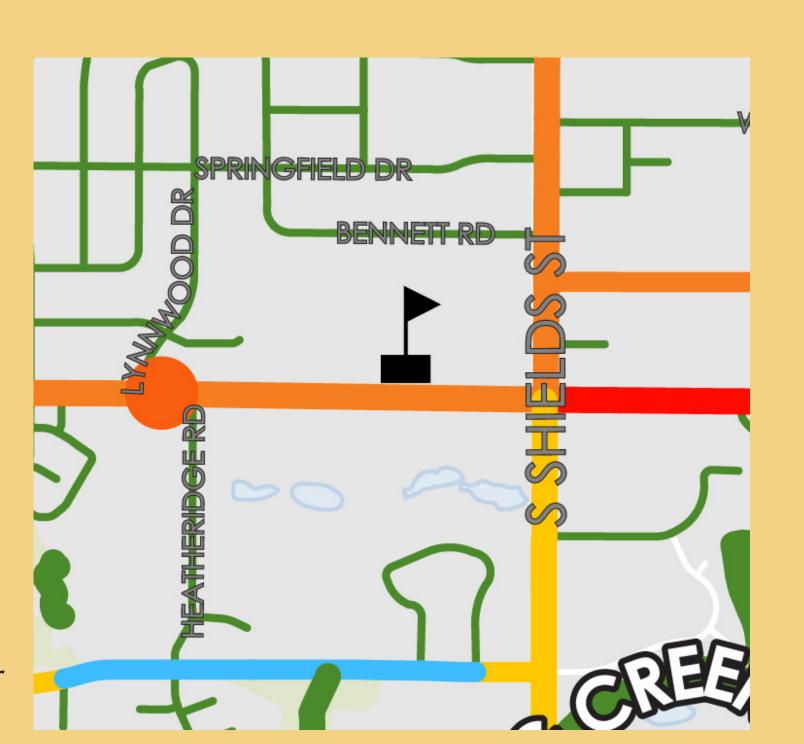
#### Prioritize retrofits to provide Complete the bike lane protected bike lanes

Higher density employment & housing To & from Colorado State University To & from bike share stations Fill gaps in trail network Fill gaps in low-stress network

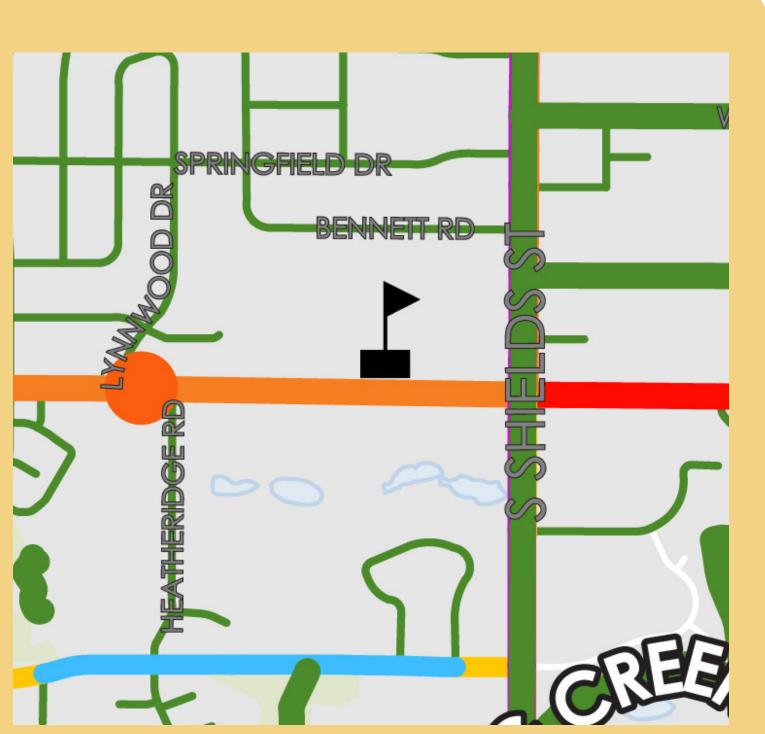
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Maximize width of bike lanes Extend bike lanes through intersections

> Shields Street today is a higher stress (LTS 3 or 4) street.



Protected bike lanes will bring the stress down to LTS 1 and help complete a low-stress network.





## DRAFT 2020 LOW-STRESS NETWORK Bicycle Plan Fort Collins innovate sustain connect The near-term network consists of existing low-stress streets (LTS 1 and 2) connected by intersection improvements and signage. Major streets (arterials) are included where necessary, and would need improvements to be considered low stress. This network is a comfortable alternative to the arterials. RICHARDS LAKE RD MOUNTAIN VISTA DR VINE DR BUCKINGHAM S **MULBERRY ST** W MULBERRY ST PROSPECT RD W DRAKE RD DRAKE RD W HORSETOOTH RD HORSETOOTH RD W COUNTY ROAD 38E HARMONY RD E HARMONY RD KETCHER RD 287 E TRILBY RD W TRILBY RD TRILBY RD CARPENTER RD **ADD SIGNAL** OTHER CROSSING LEGEND LOW-STRESS ROUTE: **IMPROVEMENT** LOCAL/COLLECTOR SIGNAL IMPROVEMENT— PLANNED BIKE SHARE HARD-SURFACE TRAIL LOW-STRESS ROUTE: ARTERIAL ADD MEDIAN STATION NEW TRAIL/STREET CONNECTION PLANNED TRAIL TWO-WAY SIDEPATH **SCHOOL** SEGMENT Miles

## Bicycle Plan Fort Collins innovate sustain connect DRAFT PROTECTED BIKE LANES VISION The Bicycle Master Plan proposes a network of low-stress facilities, including protected bike lanes on arterials. Protected bike lanes are recommended on roads that connect major destinations and higher density areas. RICHARDS LAKE RD E WILLOX ST CONIFER ST **VINE DR BUCKINGHAM ST** W MOUNTAIN A W MAGNOLIA ST **MULBERRY ST** W MULBERRY ST W PLUM ST PROSPECT RD DRAKE RD E SWALLOW RD W HORSETOOTH RD HORSETOOTH RD HARMONY RD ROCK CREEK DR KETCHER RD ESKYWAY DR 287 E TRILBY RD W TRILBY RD TRILBY RD CARPENTER RD LEGEND PLANNED BIKE SHARE STATION SCHOOL HARD-SURFACE TRAIL PLANNED TRAIL PROTECTED BIKE LANE Miles