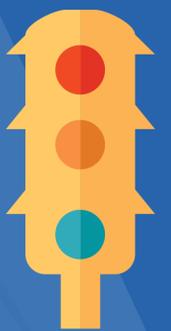
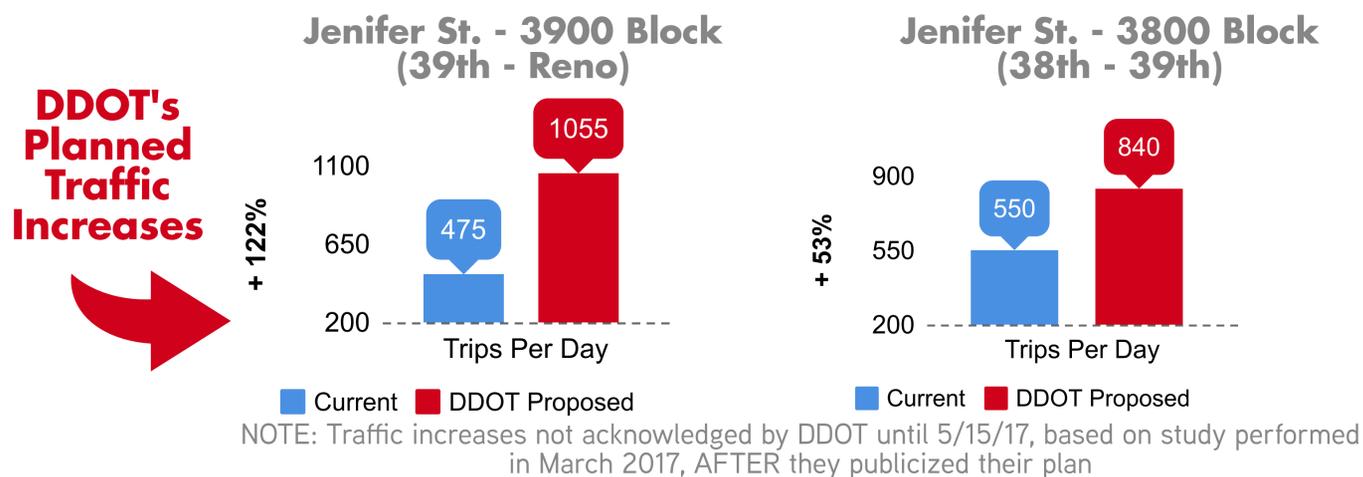


STOP DDOT's Plan to Ignore the Mayor's Vision Zero by Making Neighborhood Streets More Dangerous & Prioritizing Commuters Over Residents



Background

The District Department of Transportation has proposed significant changes for the intersection of 39th Street and Reno Road, NW. DDOT's stated goal is to increase safety of that dangerous commuter intersection, but DDOT's solution is to divert significant commuter traffic through the surrounding neighborhood's residential streets. The plan will displace vehicles to adjacent dangerous intersections while ignoring the true issue of commuter speed on Reno, thus abandoning safety improvements for pedestrians, cyclists and many motorists.



Drivers exceeding the Reno Road speed limit per DDOT's traffic study:

Ignored!!!

DDOT has asserted that speed is "not an issue" on Reno but did not include the speed analysis data in its response to resident FOIA requests. DDOT instead provided a 2013 analysis of Reno traffic south of Van Ness. Speeding was a considerable issue on that segment of Reno, with 70% of drivers traveling above the posted 25 MPH.

How DDOT's Plan Violates Mayor Bowser's Vision Zero Goals



- DDOT publicly rejected the idea of slowing Reno traffic to the posted speed at multiple ANC meetings
- For years DDOT has contributed to the unsafe conditions by ignoring resident pleas to repaint deteriorated crosswalks and clear vegetation from hidden pedestrian signs
- Residents of all ages risk their lives crossing Reno every day since cars DO NOT stop for pedestrians; DDOT's plan does little to increase pedestrian safety

- DDOT's plan rejects residents' calls to bring speed on Reno to the posted 25 MPH; DDOT has not collaborated with MPD on holistic traffic safety surrounding this intersection, despite multiple requests to do so
- DDOT has stated that it is not interested in slowing speed on this "commuter route" - mostly MD drivers speeding through District TAXPAYER neighborhoods

- Plan increases traffic > 100% on DDOT-designated Neighborhood Bikeway (Jenifer St.)
- Bikeway is the only designated cycling connector between Rock Creek and Capital Crescent trails
- Plan creates dangerous contra-flow bike lane heading south on 39th; this assumes that cyclists can safely enter or cross Reno from a complete stop where DDOT has determined it is too dangerous for drivers to do so



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Nearby Schools With Students Who Must Regularly Cross Reno Rd.

- Murch ES, Blessed Sacrament, Deal, Wilson
- 94% of the 17 accidents reported from 2012-2015 occurred between 7:30 AM - 6:30 PM



50%

Accidents That *MAY* Be Addressed By DDOT's Solution

- DDOT's proposal inexplicably only addresses 50% of the accidents at the intersection (those headed south but not north)



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Intersections To Which Most Traffic Will Be Diverted & Both Are Already Dangerous!

- Jenifer @ Reno = 2 streets, 2 driveways & 1 alley converge at this intersection slated for 122% more traffic
- 38th @ Reno = 3 streets intersect at this confusing 6-prong intersection

Residents Want This Intersection Made Safe & Have Suggested Multiple Alternatives:

- + Install a 4-way or yellow flashing signal at 39th & Reno
- + Install speed cameras
- + Install signs warning of the dangerous intersection ahead
- + Trim hedges and remove trees (if necessary) to improve sight lines
- + Better highlight crosswalks with high visibility paint
- + Install a pedestrian crossing signal
- + Install "Your Speed Is" signs to bring attention to speeding
- + Many others

To oppose DDOT's Plan and stand up for logical, comprehensive residential street safety, please email:

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