



PROJECT SUMMARY: St. Bernard Avenue

The City of New Orleans is moving forward on safety and complete streets improvements along St. Bernard Avenue between N. Rampart Street and Gentilly Boulevard. Funding for this project is available from the 2016 bond program as part of the Moving New Orleans initiative.



The St. Bernard Avenue project is approximately 1.6 miles long and is a lakebound-riverbound street in the 7th Ward. The land use along the majority of St. Bernard Avenue is commercial and residential. St. Bernard Avenue is also a route for the No. 51 St. Bernard-St. Anthony and 52 Paris buses.

St. Bernard Avenue Traffic Safety Snapshot (2014 – 2018)

A total of 896 crashes were recorded on St. Bernard Avenue over the five-year period (2014-2018), resulting in two fatalities and the injury of 579 people. Most crashes occurred at N. Claiborne Avenue (139) followed by N. Broad Street (138) and Gentilly Blvd (73). There were 23 crashes involving pedestrians and 24 crashes involving bicyclists.

Proposed Improvements

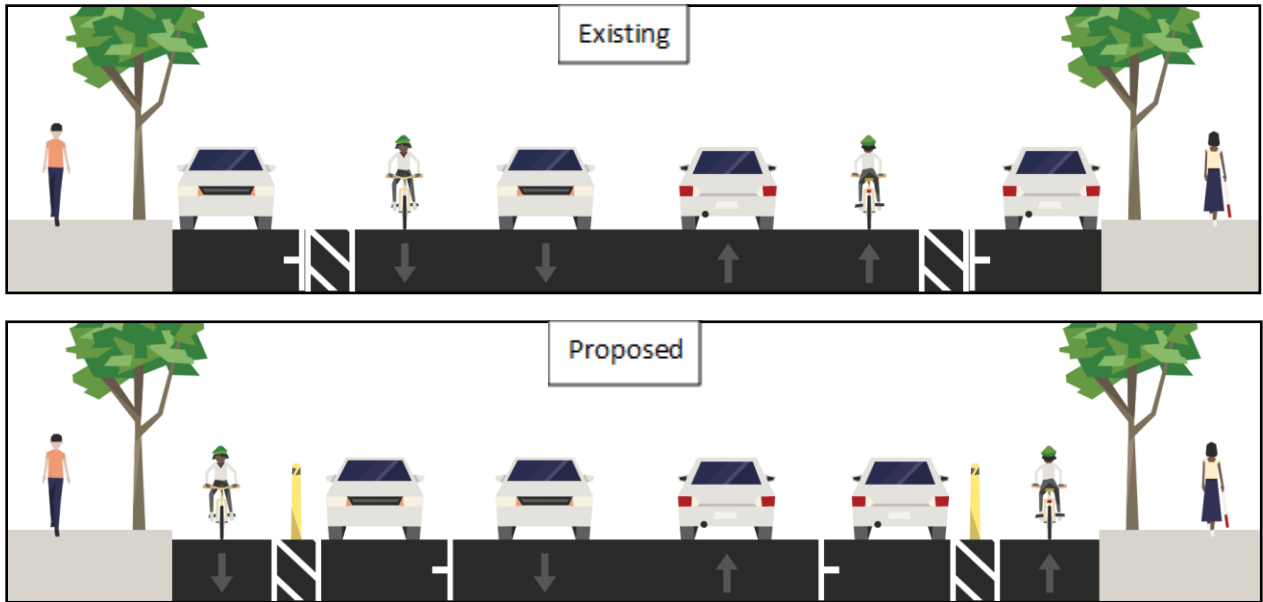
This project seeks to balance the needs of all roadway users, consistent with the City's Complete Streets Policy. Improvements include adding protected bike lanes, installing marked crosswalks, improving intersection geometry and sight distances at driveways. Between N. Rampart Street and N. Claiborne Avenue, the roadway will be reconfigured protected bike lane, parking lane and general travel lane in each direction. Between N. Claiborne Avenue and Gentilly Blvd, the roadway will be reconfigured as a protected bike lane, parking lane, and general travel lane on both sides of the neutral ground. The proposed improvements are designed to address pavement quality issues, improve overall safety, connect to existing bikeways, and make St. Bernard Avenue a more comfortable place to walk, bike, drive and use transit.

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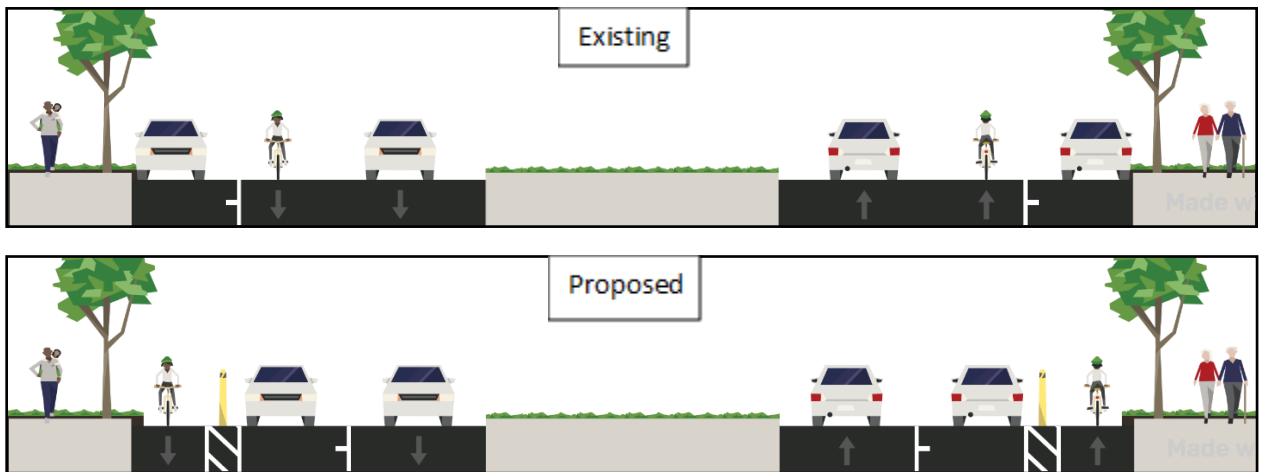


N. Rampart Street to N. Claiborne Avenue



Existing and proposed typical roadway cross sections for St. Bernard Avenue (N. Rampart Street to N. Claiborne Avenue)

N. Claiborne Avenue to Gentilly Blvd



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Public Outreach

- April 2019 - Eight meetings were held to gather public input for a citywide bicycle network in each of the five City Council Districts (340 attendees).
- July – August 2019 – Three meetings were organized to present a draft of the network plan.
- November 2020 – 7th Ward Area community meeting to discuss upcoming proposed roadway projects including bikeway implementation.

In addition to public meetings, input was received online between April and June 2019 through an online interactive bike network planning map. A total of 2,288 people commented and made recommendations.

What is Moving New Orleans?

As an initiative of Mayor LaToya Cantrell, **Moving New Orleans** is a multi-modal strategy that is focused on improving the safety, equity, efficiency and connectivity of the City's transportation network. **Moving New Orleans Bikes (MNOB)** is the first of several focused strategies to be implemented under this framework. MNOB is a joint initiative of the Mayor's Office of Transportation and Department of Public Works that is designed to accelerate the construction of a 75-mile connected low-stress bikeway network.

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