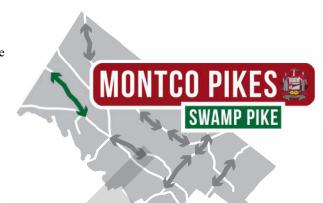
## MONTCO PIKES | A VISION PLAN FOR SIX COUNTY CORRIDORS

#### **ABOUT MONTCO PIKES**

Montgomery County owns 75 miles of roadways throughout the county. Many date to colonial times and began as private turnpikes. As part of the Montco Pikes project, the county is taking a closer look at six main corridors to ensure these roadways will support twenty-first century lifestyles. An overall vision has been established for the future of Easton Road, Butler Pike, Germantown Pike, Sumneytown Pike, Geryville Pike, and Swamp Pike.

This brochure highlights the vision and potential improvements for **Swamp Pike**.



## **SWAMP PIKE TODAY**

This study focuses on a 7.5 mile long segment of Swamp Pike from the intersection with Gilbertsville Road to the intersection with Ridge Pike; passing through the municipalities of Douglass, New Hanover and Limerick Townships. Swamp Pike functions as an east-west oriented Minor Arterial and supports regional mobility. To the east, Swamp Pike provides a connection to Limerick Township and Ridge Pike. To the west, Swamp Pike provides a connection to Gilbertsville.

<b>Functional Classification</b>	Length	Daily Traffic Volume	Posted Speed Limit	<b>Land Use Context</b>
Minor Arterial	7.5 Miles	11,600-13,800	35-45	Suburban/Commercial

#### **KEY ISSUES**

**Safety** — Safety and traffic issues due to sharp horizontal curves and lack of pedestrian crossings.

**Walking & Biking** — Much of the corridor lacks basic facilities to support biking and walking — sidewalks, trails, and/or on-road bicycle facilities.

Access Management — Lack of left turn lanes at several intersections. Large town center proposed in New Hanover Township will require roadway improvements.

**Drainage** — Poor drainage leads to water flooding on the roadway in several sections.

**Roadside Constraints** — Structures, utility poles, residential fences/decorative walls, historic structures and heavily vegetated areas close to the roadway impact the feasibility of implementing improvements that require more right-of-way.

For additional information visit: <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/montcopikes">https://www.montcopa.org/montcopikes</a>

Provide input at: <a href="https://montcopikes.mindmixer.com/">https://montcopikes.mindmixer.com/</a>



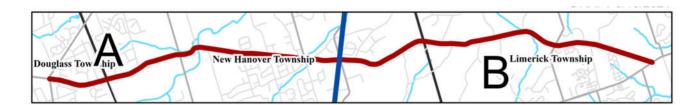
Historic Church Building and Parking Lot located close to Roadway



Narrow and Winding Roadway near Lutheran Road

# Swamp Pike | Corridor Improvements





## **Corridor-Wide Improvement Strategies**

- Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities and fill in the gaps between existing facilities
- Improve access management in commercial
- Upgrade storm water management facilities
- Add shoulders and widen existing shoulders to preferred width

## Between Lutheran Road & Leidy Road





• Improve drainage facilities to reduce roadway flooding

## **Between Leidy Road & Neiffer Road**





- Add two-way center left turn lane
- Add widened shoulders



## **Intersection with Gilbertsville Road**



• Traffic signal upgrades

## **Area west of Charlotte Street**







- Add turning lanes
- Install & upgrade traffic signals
- Upgrade pedestrian facilities

#### Legend

Swamp Pike



Traffic Signals

#### **Improvement Type**

Intersection



Pedestrian/Bicycle



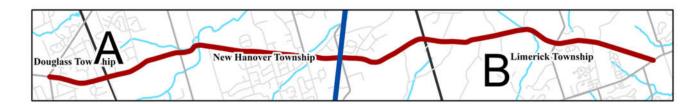
Parking



Maintenance

# Swamp Pike | Corridor Improvements





#### **Corridor-Wide Improvement Strategies**

- Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities and fill in the gaps between existing facilities
   Improve access management in commercial
- Upgrade storm water management facilities
- Add shoulders and widen existing shoulders to preferred width

## **Between Leidy Road & Neiffer Road**





- Add two-way center left turn lane
- Add widened shoulders

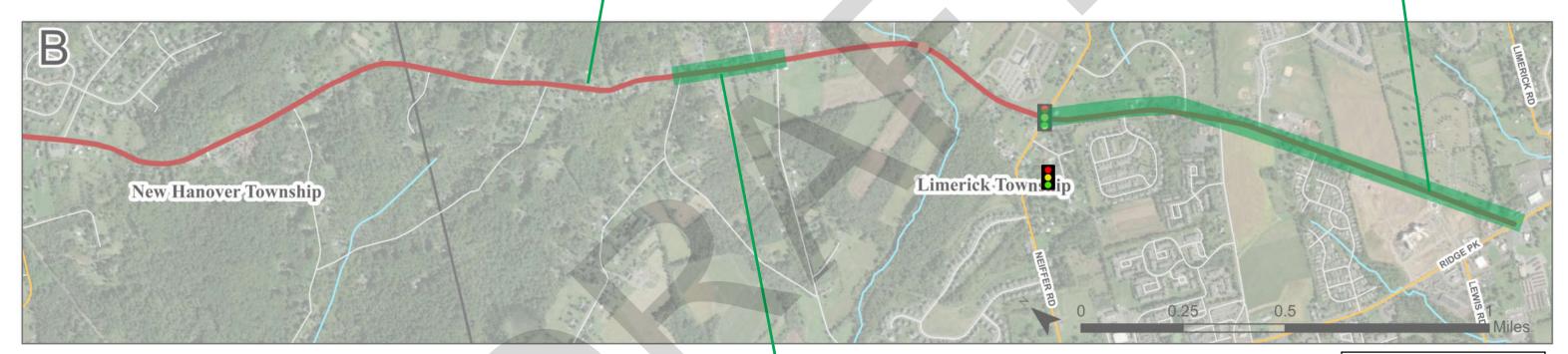
## **Neiffer Road to Ridge Pike**







- Add two-way center left turn lane
- Add bike lanes
- Add sidewalks



#### **Between Hartenstine Creek & Presidential Drive**





• Improve drainage facilities to reduce roadway flooding

## Legend

Swamp Pike

Bridges

Traffic Signals

#### **Improvement Type**

Intersection

Roadway

Pedestrian/Bicycle

Transit



Parking

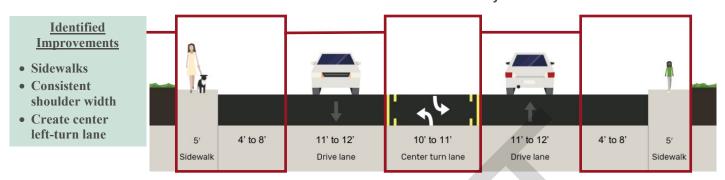


Maintenance

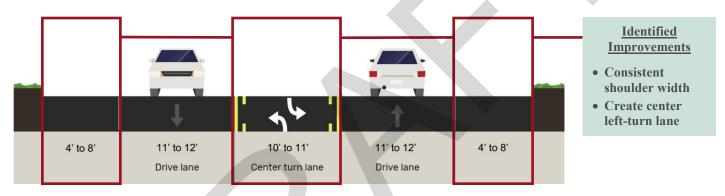
#### SWAMP PIKE POTENTIAL FUTURE CROSS SECTIONS

Future typical cross sections have been prepared that address current deficiencies and serve the future needs of Swamp Pike. The cross sections consider the Montgomery County Complete Streets Policy, existing constraints, stakeholder/public input, and recommendations from previous planning studies.

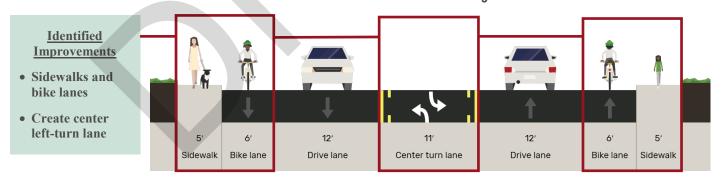
#### Gilbertsville Road to Leidy Road



#### Leidy Road to Neiffer Road



#### Neiffer Road to Ridge Pike



#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR INPUT**

For questions about the project, please contact Matthew Popek, Montgomery County Planning Commission Transportation Planning Assistant Manager, at <a href="mailto:mpopek@montcopa.org">mpopek@montcopa.org</a>.

For additional information visit: <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/montcopikes">https://www.montcopa.org/montcopikes</a>
Provide input at: <a href="https://montcopikes.mindmixer.com/">https://montcopikes.mindmixer.com/</a>