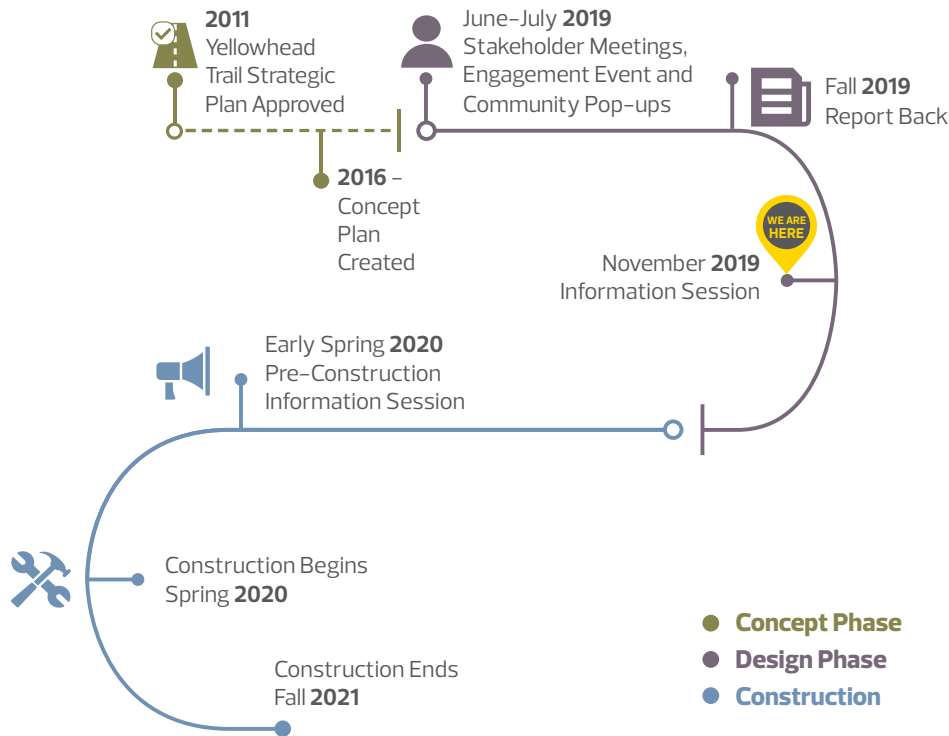


Yellowhead Trail Freeway Conversion

50 Street to North Saskatchewan River: **Yellowhead Trail East Widening**

Project Timeline



Public and stakeholder engagement

How we asked

- 📍 **2 community pop-ups:** over 60 participants
- 👥 **1 public engagement event:** over 70 participants
- 🗣️ **8 stakeholder meetings:** over 15 participants

What we asked

We asked the public and stakeholders to **ADVISE** the project team on the following areas for consideration during project design and communications:

- Current user experience along the Yellowhead Trail between 50 Street and the North Saskatchewan River
- Current user experience with the shared use path along Victoria Trail
- Communications preferences






When we asked

Between June and August 2019






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What we heard and what we did

Yellowhead Trail: 50 Street to the North Saskatchewan River

What We Heard	What We Did
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Drivers expressed that the current lane configuration and pavement markings at interchanges do not clearly guide people into the correct lane when turning on and off Yellowhead Trail.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Pavement markings will be improved to better guide traffic along the route.+ Signage will be reviewed to help improve intersection navigation.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ The public suggested that the length and spacing between northbound to eastbound and southbound to eastbound ramps at Victoria Trail are not adequate for safe merging.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ The northbound to eastbound ramp will be removed and combined with the southbound to eastbound loop ramp.+ The ramp merge will be lengthened to allow traffic adequate distance to increase speed to merge onto Yellowhead Trail.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ People who drive in the project area noted that their sightlines are impacted by larger vehicles turning across intersections in the area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Sightline issues are being reviewed. Where changes are needed, they will be included with the final design.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ The public was concerned with the amount of traffic, in the project area, particularly during peak times.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Improvements along the Yellowhead Trail will help to improve traffic flow and will significantly improve safety at several high collision locations.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Members of the public suggested that the current noise wall does not adequately block traffic noise near St. Maria Goretti School.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Noise modelling was conducted at locations that the public identified as concerns.+ Modelling showed that noise levels in the area ranged from 54.12 to 62.6 dBA, which is below the City of Edmonton's threshold of 65 dBA for the installation of noise mitigation.

Shared Use Path

What We Heard	What We Did
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ People shared that they enjoy using the path for both recreational and commuting purposes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ To improve the area for recreation and commuting opportunities for additional landscaping are being explored.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ People shared concerns about some activity that occurs along the shared-use path, particularly in the underpass which is hidden from public sight.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Improvements to lighting on the shared-use path are being designed. These improvements will help to deter unsafe activity.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ People who walk and bike shared that the lack of lighting along the shared use path along Victoria Trail and the underpass is a safety concern, particularly at night and early in the morning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Lighting improvements along the shared-use path are being designed. This will help to improve safety in the area.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ People who use the shared-use path voiced that sightlines are a concern in some locations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ The shared-use path follows the natural features and contours of the area, including going through an underpass at Victoria Trail to avoid conflicts with cars. Landscaping and lighting will be reviewed to mitigate sightline issues.
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ The public expressed concern about litter, debris, and unsafe items that are discarded along the shared-use path.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Users of the shared-use path can alert maintenance crews to any issues related to litter, debris and unsafe items by calling 311 or using the 311 app.

