



2018 Neighborhood Safety Program Application

Application Deadline: February 15, 2018

(Note: One project location per application)

Contact Information

Neighborhood Association: Finn Hill NA

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General Project Information

Location: NE 131st Way

Nearest Cross Street(s): 94th Ave NE

☒ Project Priority 1 (or only project) ☐ Priority 2

Project Type:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Flashing Beacon | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Improvement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crosswalk Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Walkway Improvement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intersection Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Street Lighting | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radar Speed Sign | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Calming | |

Describe the Project Scope:

Please include all aspects of the project (e.g., ADA ramps, street lights, thermoplastic, hand rails, asphalt vs. gravel).

The proposed project would increase the safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers traveling along NE 131st Way and 132nd St, by encouraging motorists to slow down through a radar speed sign alerting them of their speed and the reduced limit from 35 to 25 mph here (and 20mph during school zone times). (Please see Exhibit 1A for project location.)

City Cost Estimate: \$ 57,000

1. Neighborhood Benefit/Support (0–60 points)

Please explain how the project will address a recognized safety need (especially with school kids or other vulnerable populations) and result in a positive and lasting neighborhood benefit (e.g., creates an important neighborhood pedestrian or bicycle connection):

The speed limit coming down 90th Ave/NE 131st Way changes from 35 to 25 mph shortly before Juanita Elementary School (See Exhibit 1B), but the signage is small and drivers often speed on this section of road (See Exhibits 1C and 1D). Installing a radar speed sign would alert drivers when they are speeding and encourage them to slow down before they approach the elementary school, thus making the area surrounding the school safer for school kids and their families walking to and from school, and for other pedestrians, other drivers, and many bicyclists who use this stretch of road.

Were adjacent neighbors who will be impacted by the project contacted (e.g., street lights)? Yes ____ No ____

Is there support for the project within the neighborhood (e.g., businesses, schools, and PTsAs)? Yes ☒ No ____

Note: Please attach letters, emails, or a petition of support for your project.

2. Community Benefit/Support (0–30 points)

Please explain how the project benefits people outside of the neighborhood (e.g., creates a community-wide connection):

This road is heavily traveled by those going up and down Finn Hill, and connects the Finn Hill and Juanita neighborhoods. It is used by many students of Juanita Elementary School and customers and employees of the commercial area with a pharmacy, thrift store, and other local businesses as well (and likely also a new fire station in the future). (See Exhibit 1E for letter of community support).

Is there broad community support for the project outside the neighborhood (e.g., businesses, schools, and PTsAs, and community groups)? Yes ☒ No ____

Note: Please attach letters, emails, or a petition of support for your project.

3. Neighborhood/Community Project Partnership (0–10 points)

Will there be financial contributions and/or volunteer hours for this project (e.g., trail construction or maintenance)?

If so, please provide details of the contributions. (**Note:** Volunteer value is \$23.56.)

N/A

Please submit application to:

City of Kirkland

Kari Page, Senior Neighborhood Services Outreach Coordinator

123 5th Avenue, Kirkland, WA 98033

For any questions or further information, please contact Kari Page at kpage@kirklandwa.gov or (425) 587-3875.

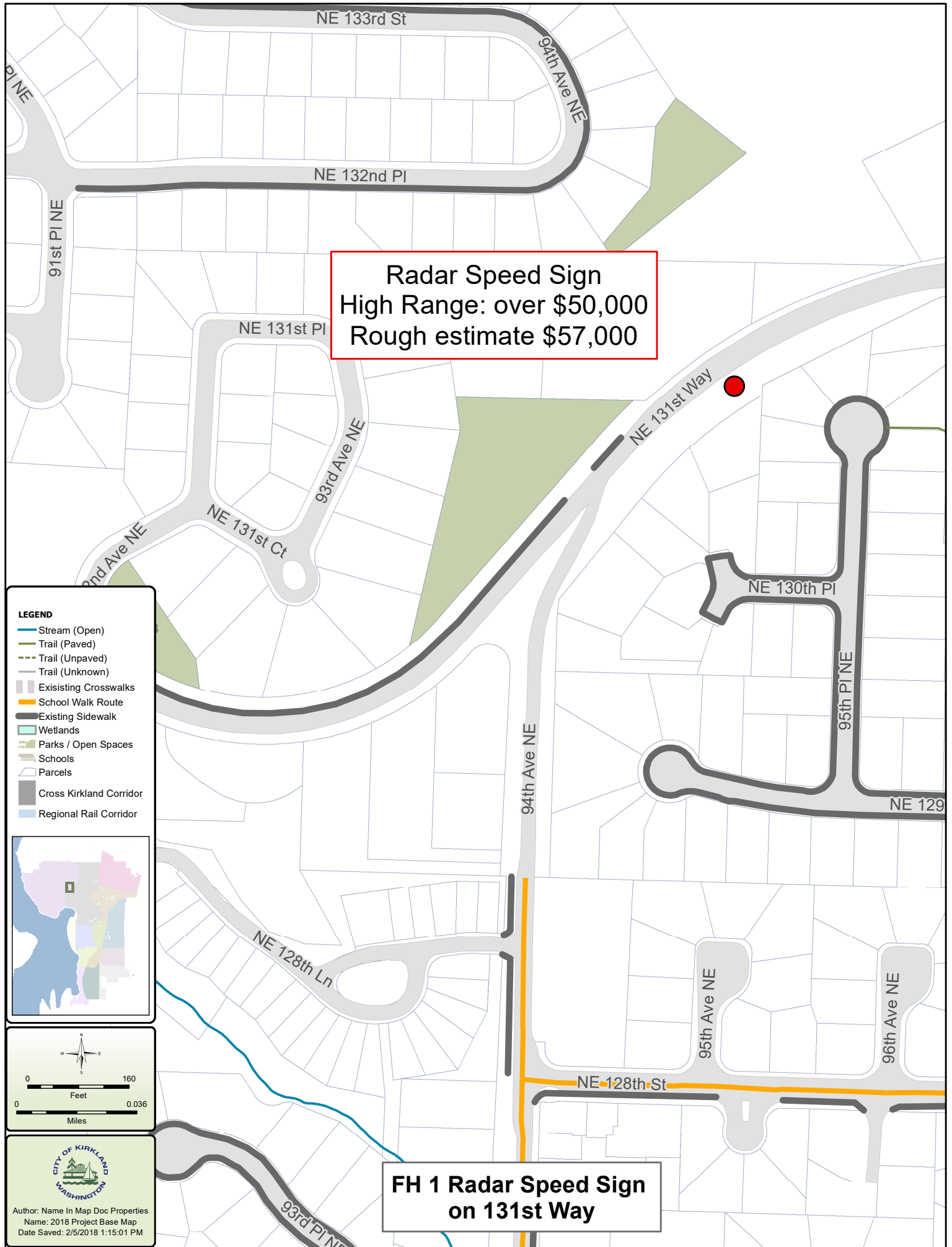


Exhibit 1B: Juanita Elementary School Walk Route Map

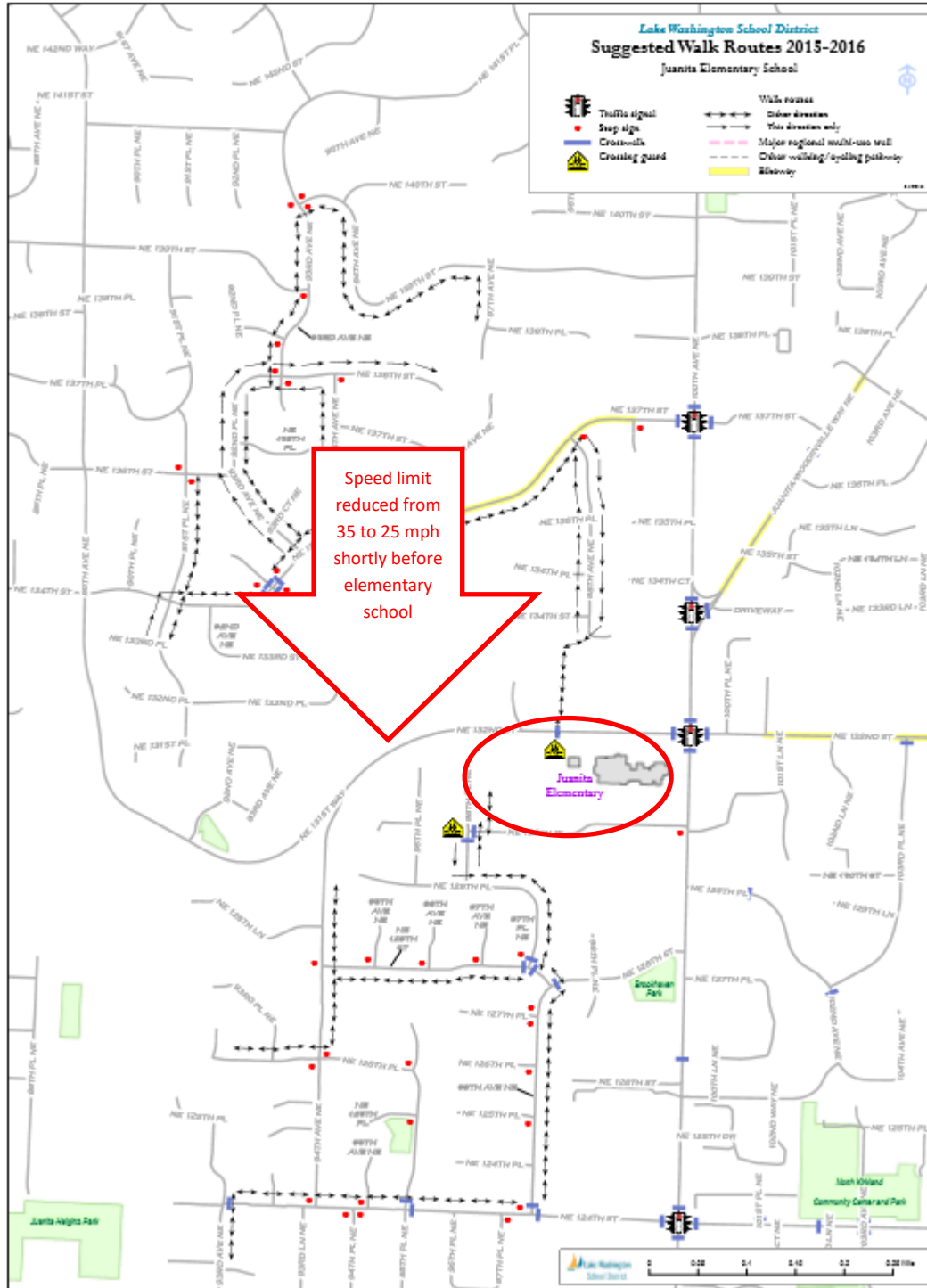


Exhibit 1C: Street-level View of Reduced Speet Limit Location



Exhibit 1D: Street-level View of Reduced Speet Limit Location



Exhibit 1E: Community Letter of Support



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Support for Finn Hill NSP Project

To: NSP Panel Reviewers and City NSP Reviewers

As the Neighborhood Safety Program Representative for the neighborhood of Juanita, I would like to extend my support to the Finn Hill neighborhood's project to install a radar speed sign on the eastbound approach to Juanita Elementary school along 90th Ave NE / NE 131st Way / NE 132nd St. In the past, the Juanita neighborhood has discussed entering a similar NSP project along the Juanita portion of NE 132nd. However, this was not considered to be a viable project for Juanita given the pending changes along this street for the future fire station, planned improvements along NE 132nd Street for the 100th Avenue NE project, and how it would be more effective for cars to reduce speed prior to the Juanita neighborhood limits.

The intended outcome of reducing speeds of vehicles coming downhill in this direction and entering this reduced speed zone (25 mph) along Juanita Elementary is an outcome that can provide clear benefits and may improve safety for residents in both Finn Hill and Juanita.

Based on past discussions with members of the Juanita neighborhood and the JNA Board on how a project like this can provide a clear benefit to the community, I believe this project meets several objectives of the Neighborhood Safety Program. It should also score highly in both the Community Benefit portion of the Neighborhood Panel scoring and within the Improving Safety portion of the City's Technical scoring sheets.

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Brian Magee
Juanita Neighborhood Associations
NSP Representative