

Purpose & Need

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The purpose of this study is to develop and evaluate a range of alternatives to improve mobility and meet interstate and regional through traffic and local needs by reducing congestion, addressing safety, and improving system continuity within the study area while accommodating other modes of traffic (bike, pedestrian, horse-and-buggies, farm equipment traffic, and public transit) where appropriate, and supporting regional land use visions and goals.

Transportation Needs

- High peak hour traffic volumes cause congestion and result in unacceptable levels of service (LOS D [rural only], E, or F) on US 322, PA 45 and PA 144 roadways and intersections within the study area.
- Existing roadway configurations and traffic conditions contribute to safety concerns in the study area.
- The roadway network and configuration in the study area lacks continuity and does not meet driver expectations.