

Background Information:

- ♦ Adopted Complete Streets Policy in 2022 and approved Complete Streets Prioritization Plan in 2023.
- Road Safety Task Force.
- Traffic Safety Committee.

Crash Stats (2018-2023)



1.848

total crashes

- pedestrian crashes
- **3** bicyclist crashes
- **33** motorcyclist crashes



5

fatal crashes

- pedestrian crash
- motorcyclist crash



28

serious injuries

- **3** pedestrian crashes
- 2 motorcyclist crashes

Fatal/Serious Injuries

33% of the fatal/serious injuries occurred during dark conditions (lighted roadway/not lighted)

27% of the fatal/serious injuries occurred under the jurisdiction of MassDOT

42% occurred along Minor Arterial Roadways and 24% occurred along Principal Arterial – Other Roadways

45% of the crashes are single-vehicle crashes

85% of the crashes contributing factors were either reckless/speeding/distracted/impaired

5 crashes were collision with utility pole, 6 crashes were collision with tree

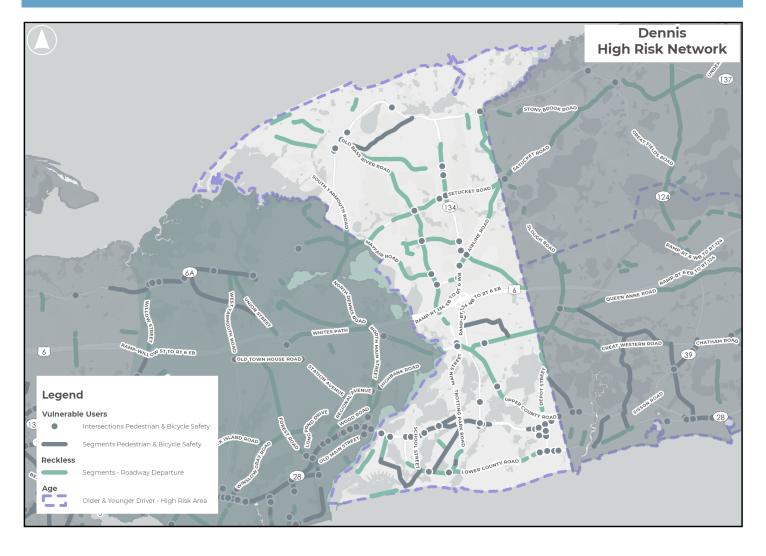
Public Comments

- Increased infrastructure for bike/pedestrian safety and accessibility (especially in dense neighborhoods around beaches).
- More sidewalks.
- Connectivity of bike infrastructure that already exists.
- Need improvements to crosswalks, make more visible, bettering signage.
- Description Lowering of speed limits especially in residential/dense neighborhoods.
- Corporation Road Missing stop sign at intersection of Whig and Elm Streets.
- Route 134 Missing crosswalks: there is a multiuse pathway across street from entrance to Hemlock Lane and only way to

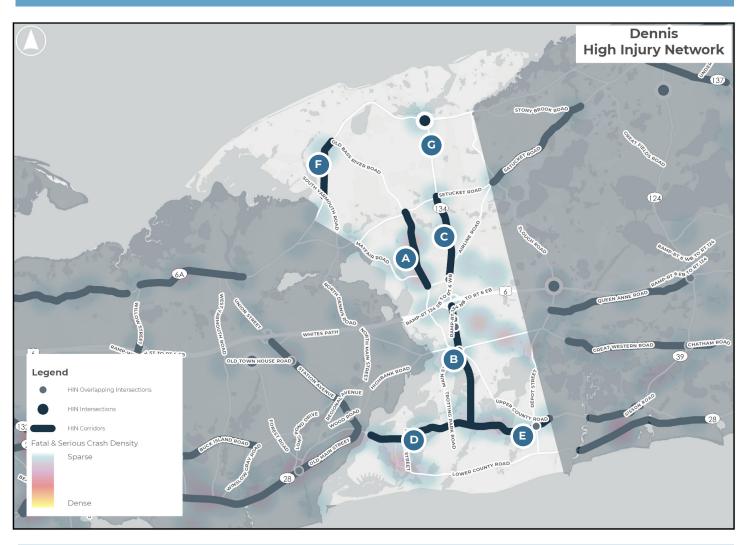
- access it is to cross Route 134 at location with no crosswalk. Overpass lacks pedestrian and bike connectivity from Bob Crowell Road to Market Place/Patriot Square. Route 6 & Route 134 off ramps; Intersection: East-West Dennis Road, Hemlock Lane, Bob Crowell Road: difficult left hand turns and conflicting traffic movements, unsafe for pedestrians because driver failure to stop at stop signs, high crash and near miss site.
- Provided Route 6A Speed should be reduced, especially in higher pedestrian village areas. Intersection: New Boston Road, Nobscussett Road, Old Post Road (In front of Dennis Public Market). Intersection where 6A turns into Old King's Highway, Sesuit Neck Road, Dr Lord's Road South.

High Risk Corridors					
Airline Road	Old Bass River Road				
Depot Street	Old Chatham Road				
Great Western Road	Setucket Road				
Hokum Rock Road	South Gages Way				
Loring Avenue	Swan River Road				
Lower County Road	Theophilus F Smith Road				
Mayfair Road	Upper County Road				

High Risk Network



High Injury Network



A	Old Bass River Road from Bob Crowell Road to Setucket Road	E	Main Street Route 28 from East West Dennis Road Route 134 to Harwich Townline
В	East West Dennis Road (Route 134) from Main Street (Route 28) to Route 6	F	Old County Road from Old King's Highway Route 6A to Chase Road
C	East West Dennis Road Route 134 from Bob Crowell Road to Setucket Road	G	Old King's Highway (Route 6A) from Main Street to Tupper Road
D	Main Street Route 28 from Yarmouth Townline to East West Dennis Road Route 134	H	Old King's Highway (Route 6A) at East West Dennis Road (Route 134)

HIN – Corridor/ Intersection	Jurisdiction	Length (miles)	Characteristics	Contributing Factors	Studied/ Previous Planning	Potential Countermeasures
Old Bass River Road from Bob Crowell Road to Setucket Road	Local	1.34	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes white edge lines and a double yellow center line. Shared-use path on east side of roadway. Posted Speed limit: 30-35 mph 47 crashes (1 fatal, 2 serious injuries, 1 bicycle crash) 	 Inattention; Followed too closely; Distracted; Failed to yield right of way; Operating defective equipment; Failed to yield right of way; Visibility obstructed; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road Fatigued/asleep; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent or aggressive manner; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings 		 Short-Term Add a left turn lane at the Old Bass River Road and Mayfair Road intersection Install raised intersections at the following intersections: Old Bass River Road / Bob Crowell Road Old Bass River Road / Old Chatham Road Install crosswalks across Old Bass River Road (at approx. 0.25 mile distances) to help people get to shared-use path. Add curb bump outs at crosswalks. Clear roadside vegetation to improve sight distance at the intersection of Old Bass River Road and Bob Crowell Road.
East West Dennis Road (Route 134) from Main Street (Route 28) to Route 6	Local / MassDOT (Route 28)	2.09	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes white edge lines and a double yellow center line. Posted Speed limit: 35-40-45 mph 322 crashes (1 fatal, 1 serious injury, 6 bicycle crashes) 	 No improper driving; Inattention; Followed too closely Distracted; Failed to yield right of way; Operating defective equipment; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent or aggressive manner; Physical impairment; Visibility obstructed; Overcorrecting/over-steering; Fatigued/asleep; Made an improper turn; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road; Other improper action; Exceeded authorized speed limit; Driving too fast for conditions 	Complete Streets Project (Construct a new shared use path and upgrade pedestrian facilities)	 East West Dennis Road and Market Place Intersection – eliminate right-turn slip lanes. Install Speed Feedback Signs instead of Speed Limit Signs before critical intersections Add dotted guide lines through the intersection of East-West Dennis Road / Upper County Road, through intersection. Upgrade traffic signal backplates with retroreflective border Improve roadway geometry to reduce intersection skew at the intersection of East-West Dennis Road / Center Street. Install Yield Signs before the ramps entering Route 134. Add curb bump outs at crosswalks. Perform RSA for Route 6 Ramps per Cape Cod Commission Interchange Ramp Study Incorporate RSA recommendations for Route 134 High Crash Locations (2020)
						Long-Term Install two-lane roundabout at East West Dennis Road and Market Place Intersection.
East West Dennis Road Route 134 from Bob Crowell Road to Setucket Road	Local / MassDOT (at Bob Crowell Road intersection)	1.47	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes white edge lines and a double yellow center line. Shared-use path on west side of roadway Posted Speed limit: 35-40 mph. 115 crashes (2 serious injuries, 3 bicycle crashes, 2 	No improper driving; Inattention; Followed too closely; Fatigued / asleep; Failed to yield right of way; Distracted; Other improper action; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent or aggressive manner; Driving too fast for conditions; Operating defective equipment; History heart/epilepsy/fainting; Made an improper turn; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road; Wrong side or wrong way; Swerving or avoiding due to wind, slippery surface, vehicle, object, vulnerable user in roadway; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings; Glare; Physical impairment		Short-Term Add Pedestrian Crossing at Old Chatham Road connecting the shared use path Add Pedestrian Crossings in front of Baskin's ACE Hardware, 134 Market Place, Pier 134 Commons, 900 Town Plaza. Add crosswalks at Bob Crowell Intersection Add curb bump outs at crosswalks. Long-Term Install single-lane roundabout to replace traffic signal at Bob Crowell Intersection. Geometric improvement of Airline Road and Route 134 intersection
			pedestrian crashes)			Possible roundabout at Old Chatham and 134, especially if a portion of Airline Road is changed to one-way NB
Main Street Route 28 from Yarmouth Townline to East West Dennis Road Route 134	MassDOT	1.86	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes white edge lines and a double yellow center line. Sidewalk on south side of roadway. Posted Speed limit: 40 mph 126 crashes (2 fatal, 1 serious injury, 3 bicycle crashes, 1 pedestrian crash) 	 Failed to yield right of way; No improper driving; Inattention; Distracted; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings; Other improper action; Physical impairment; Operating defective equipment; Driving too fast for conditions; Followed too closely; Swerving or avoiding due to wind, slippery surface, vehicle, object, vulnerable user in roadway; Glare; Visibility obstructed 		Install RRFB at Main Street and School Street Add curb bump outs at crosswalks. Long-Term Make geometric improvements at the intersection of Main Street at Old Main Street to eliminate high-speed turns Corridor and streetscape improvements on Main Street (Route 28) from Uncle Barneys Roa to Old Main Street (TIP 608196)
Main Street Route 28 from East West Dennis Road Route 134 to Harwich Townline	MassDOT	1.34	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes on-street bike lanes and a double yellow center line. Sidewalk on both sides of roadway. Posted Speed limit: 25-35 mph 160 crashes (3 serious injuries, 2 bicycle crashes, 1 pedestrian crash) 	No improper driving; Inattention; Distracted; Swerving or avoiding due to wind, slippery surface, vehicle, object, vulnerable user in roadway; Other improper action; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road; Followed too closely; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent, or aggressive manner; Glare; Visibility obstructed; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings; Physical impairment; Driving too fast for conditions; Wrong side or wrong way; Exceeded authorized speed limit; Made an improper turn		Short-Term Add guideline/pavement markings for turns at the intersection of Main Street and Route 13. Add curb bump outs at crosswalks RSA at Route 28 at Depot Street Reconstruction and related work on Main Street (Route 28) from Upper County Road to the Herring River Bridge (TIP 608742) Long-Term Make geometric improvement at – Main Street and Upper County Road intersection

Town Profile

DENNIS - MID CAPE

HIN – Corridor/ Intersection	Jurisdiction	Length (miles)	Characteristics	Contributing Factors	Studied/ Previous Planning	Potential Countermeasures
Old County Road from Old King's Highway Route 6A to Chase Road	MassDOT	0.97	 2-lanes undivided roadway includes on-street bike lanes and a double yellow center line. Sidewalk on both sides of roadway. Posted Speed limit: 35-45 mph 67 crashes (1 serious injury) 	No improper driving; Failed to yield right of way; Failure to keep in proper lane or running off road; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent, or aggressive manner; Fatigued / asleep; Exceeded authorized speed limit; Visibility obstructed; Inattention; Emotional; Followed too closely		Reduce speed limit to 35 MPH from South Yarmouth Road Evaluate signal warrants at Old Bass River Road / Hope Lane intersection Add curb bump outs at crosswalks Long-Term Install roundabout at Old King's Highway, New Boston Road, Nobscussett Road Make geometric improvements at Old King's Highway / South Yarmouth Road, tree trimming to improve sight distance
Old King's Highway (Route 6A) at East West Dennis Road (Route 134)	MassDOT		 Four-Legged Signalized intersection Ssidewalks on both sides of Route 6A. Posted Speed limit: 35-45 mph 31 crashes (1 bicycle crash) 	No improper driving; Inattention; Disregarded traffic signs, signals, road markings; Failed to yield right of way; Glare; Distracted; Made an improper turn; Operating vehicle in erratic, reckless, careless, negligent or aggressive manner		 Replace traffic signal equipment with overhead traffic signals. Add protected left turns to the traffic signals Close the Service Road west of Bridge Street Reduce number of access driveways (and eliminate angle parking directly from Bridge Street) at shopping plaza on northeast corner. Add curb bump outs at crosswalks Reduce corner radii at intersection, particularly on southeast corner