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South Portland and GPCOG Pilot Traffic Calming Treatments in Cash Corner

On August 6, 2021, South Portland started installing a number of traffic calming treatments in Cash Corner. These installations will be in place for a trial period of two months, with removal anticipated for early October.

Based on a survey that yielded over 160 responses and traffic data collected in the spring, the biggest traffic issues were considered to be: large truck traffic on neighborhood streets, speeding, cut-thru traffic and limited bike/ped accommodations. To address these issues, a number of treatments were proposed. Among the popular treatments were enhanced signage directing truck traffic away from neighborhood streets and adding stop signs at strategic locations.

Those in Cash Corner can expect to see the following installations (attached map):

1. Curb extensions to deter truck traffic and create safer bike/ped conditions at 3 locations (Pleasant/Cash, Pleasant/Rosedale, Strout/Broadway)
2. New stop signs, creating a 4-way stop (Pleasant/Hemco/Cash)
3. Enhanced truck routing signage (Main/RR tracks, Main/Dairy Queen, Peary/Broadway, Strout/Broadway, Pleasant/Broadway)
4. Diagonal road closure to deter truck traffic on neighborhood streets (Kingston/Thadeus)
5. Bike route signage and sharrow road markings (Strout St, Skillings St, SE Rd, Orlando St, Lubec St)

A post-intervention survey will be conducted in September in the same manner as the pre-intervention survey - delivered to each mailbox in Cash Corner and online at https://www.southportland.org/departments/planning-and-development/current-initiatives/. Post-intervention data collection will also take place in September.

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