

Pre-screening: Western bypass concepts

POTENTIAL IMPACTS:

PROPERTY:

- Building to interstate highway standards requires 250'-400' swath of land through established city and town neighborhoods plus land for interchanges

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

- Impacts various residential neighborhoods, schools, parks, and recreational facilities

ECONOMIC:

- Impacts various medical, office, retail, and industrial facilities

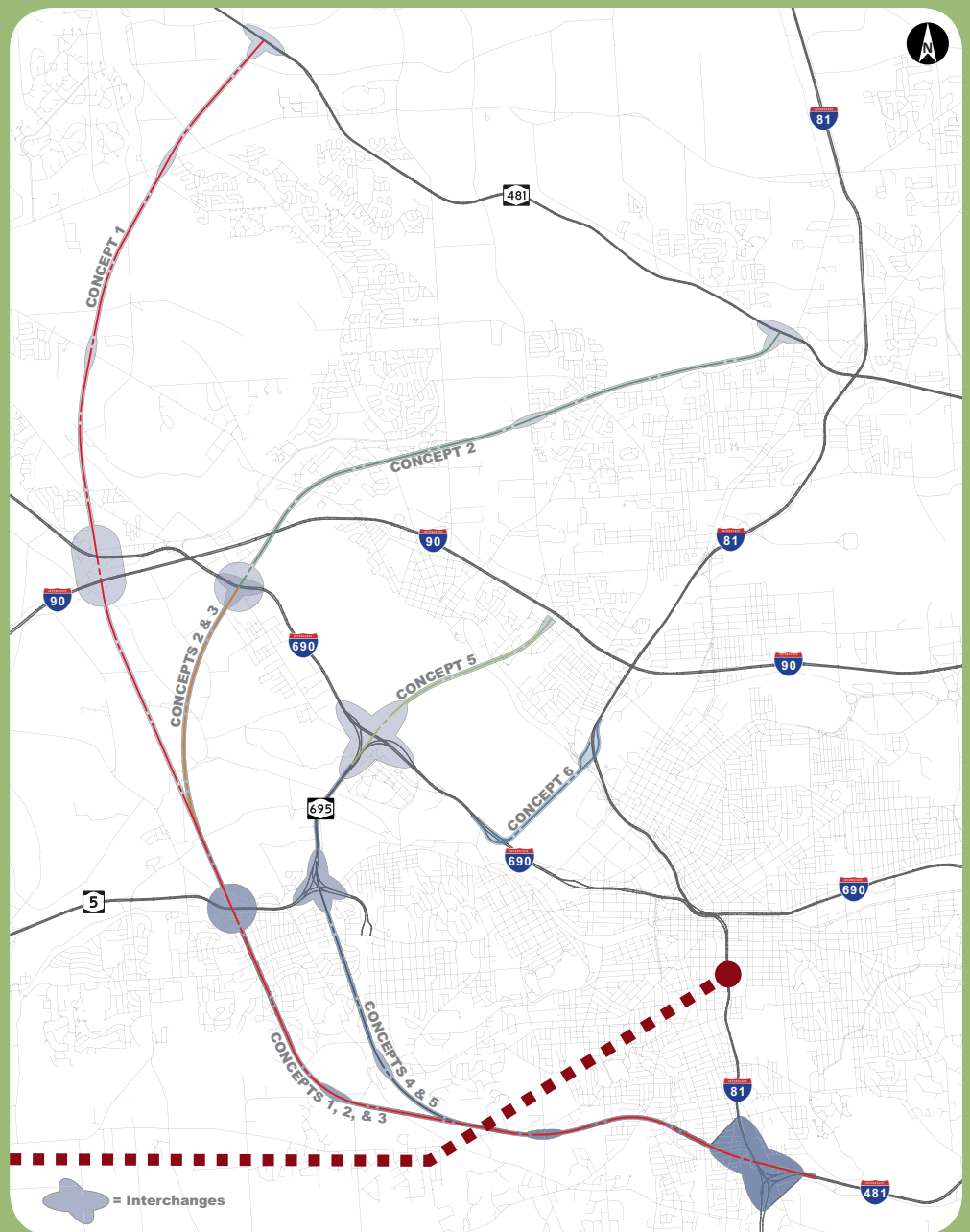
ENVIRONMENTAL:

- Varying Impacts to: Onondaga Lakefront, Tailing Pond Wetland Area/Old Erie Canal, and the Clay Marsh lands

TRAFFIC:

- Traffic volumes on any bypass concept are expected to be much too low to justify the anticipated cost to construct

The Western bypass concepts do not, by themselves, address the project needs for I-81 and the viaduct.



RECOMMENDATION:

- Consider bypass concept 4 from southern I-81/I-481 interchange (Exit 16A) to NYS Rt 5/695 in Fairmount as an optional part of a Boulevard Strategy [see more details in Station 4]
- Eliminate all other Western bypass concepts