

## Quiet Zone:

Quiet Zones are segments of railroad lines where train crews are exempt from sounding the horn at grade crossings. It should be noted that train crews are still permitted to sound the horn within a Quiet Zone for railroad-related reasons or for safety reasons. A quiet zone is defined as  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile on either side of the intersection crossing being identified in a particular zone. A zone can consist of 1 or more crossings.

For more information, refer to the FRA's Quiet Zone website at [www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1318](http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1318)

## Safety Zone:

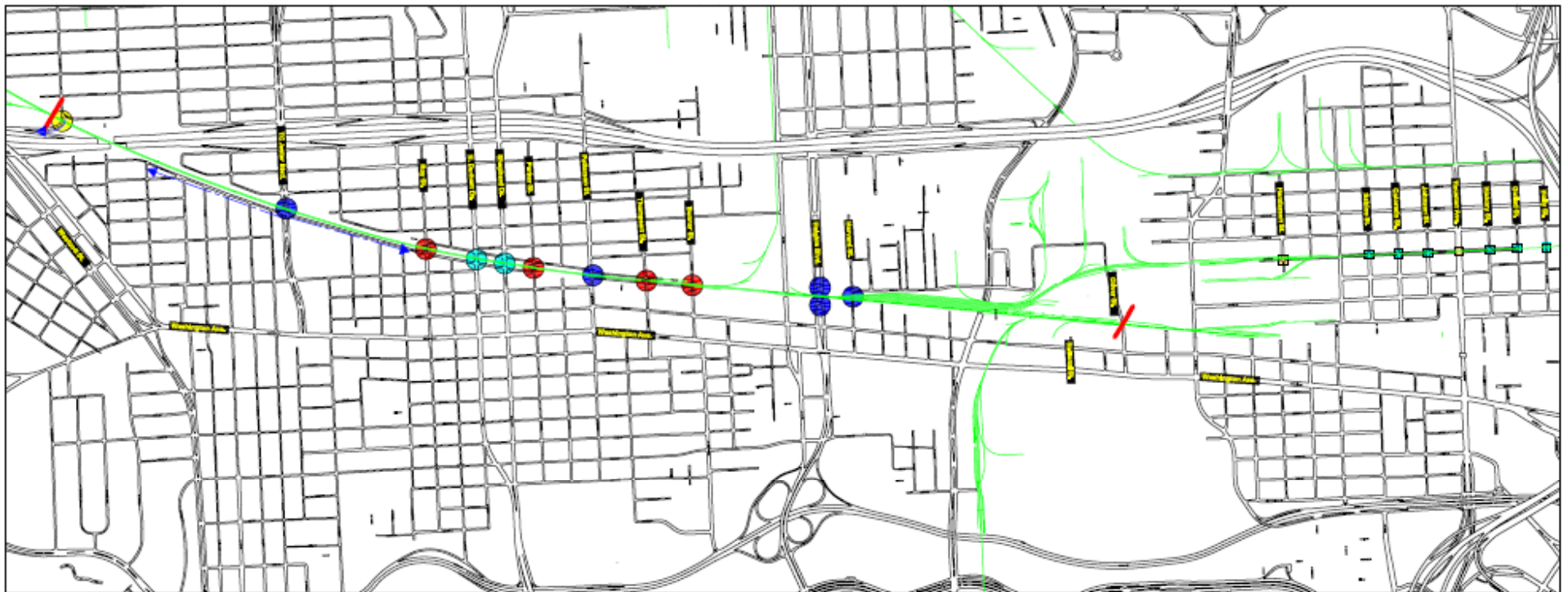
Example First Ward Safety Zone. Corridor is apart of TXDOT's Federal Signal Plan. Money from this plan will pay for work along the corridor.

**Note:** Federal Signal monies cannot be used for Quiet Zone upgrades. Therefore application for the Quiet Zone *cannot* be addressed until after the Federal Signal Program work is completed.

# Project Overview: Washington Ave. RR Crossing Corridor and First Ward Safety Zone

## Legend:

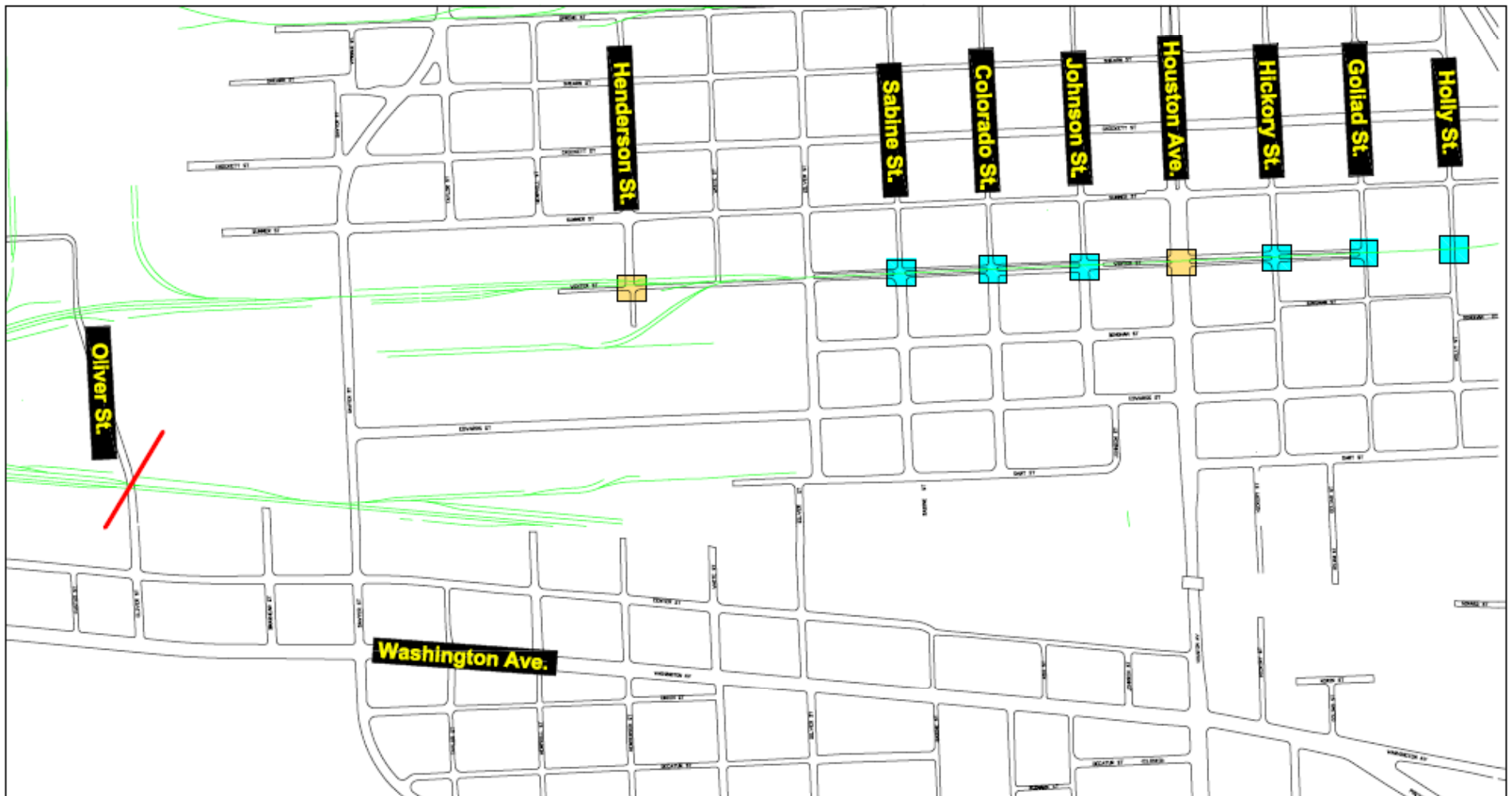
- |   |  |
|---|--|
|  Railroads             |  One-Way Traffic                                |
|  Median Work           |  Quiet Zone Extents                             |
|  Closures              |  Existing Closures w/type III Barricades        |
|  One Way St. (w/gates) |  Intersections with Grade Crossing Improvements |
|  Convert to One-Way    |  |



# First Ward Safety Zone

## Legend:

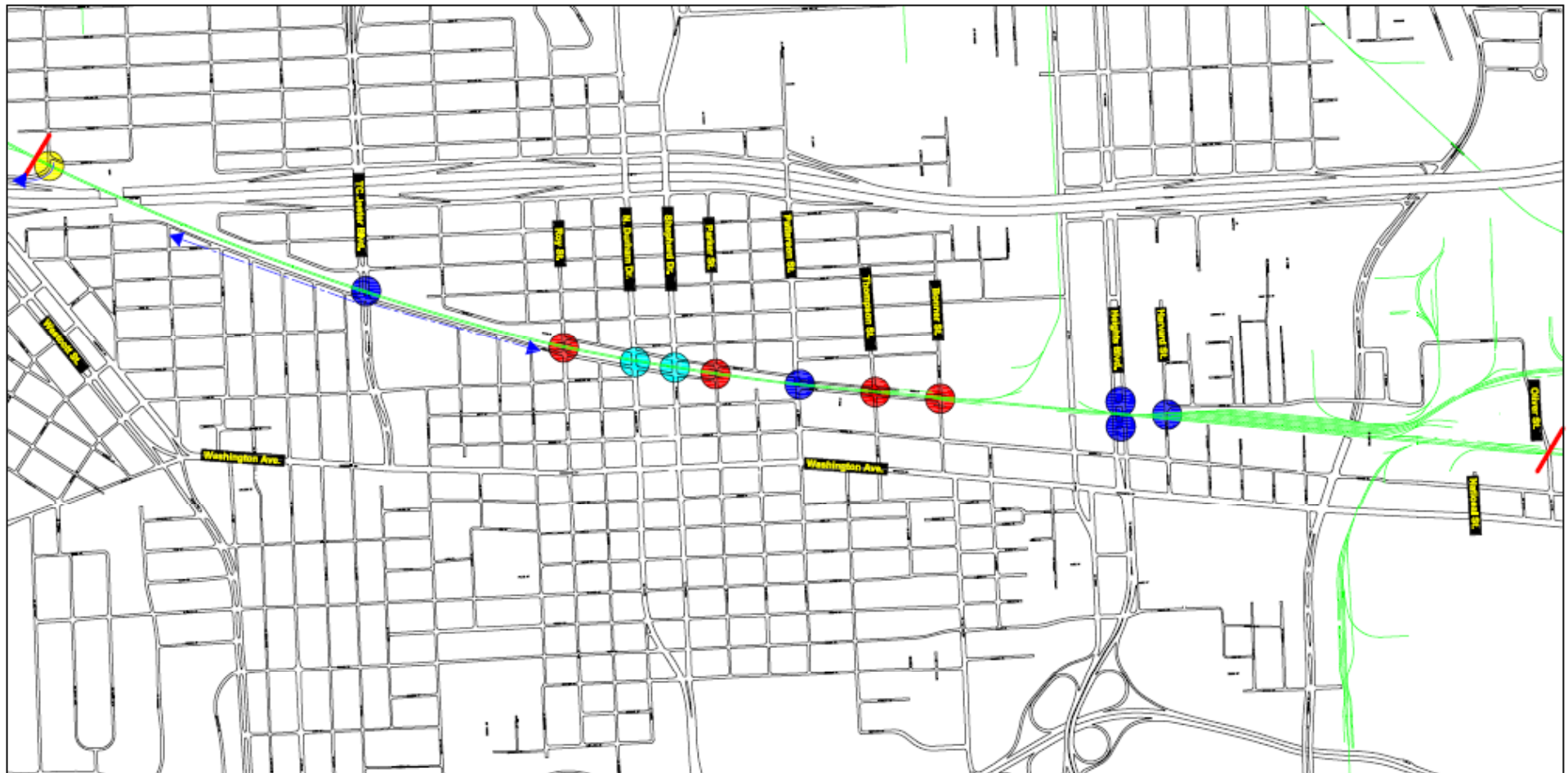
- Existing Closures w/type III Barricades
- Intersections with Grade Crossing Improvements
- Railroads



# Washington Ave. RR Crossing Corridor

## Legend:

- |                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| ● Median Work           | ↑ One-Way Traffic      |
| ● Closures              | /// Quiet Zone Extents |
| ● One Way St. (w/gates) | — Railroads            |
| ● Convert to One-Way    |                        |

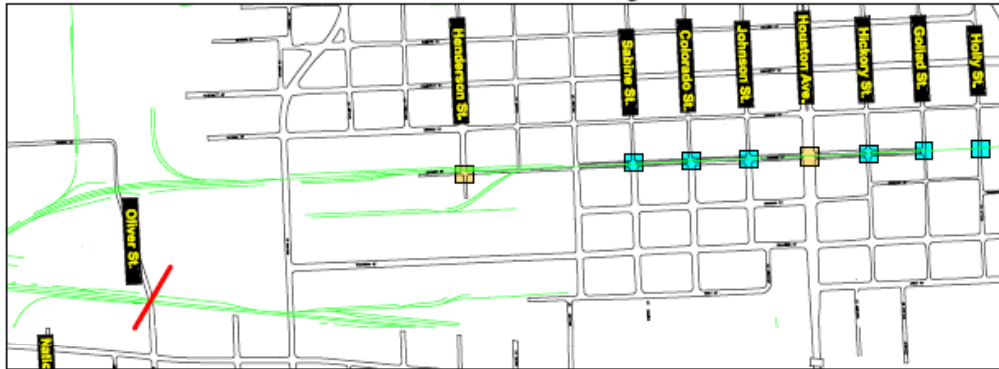




# Project Overview



## First Ward Safety Zone



### Legend:

- Railroads
- Median Work
- Closures
- One Way St. (w/gates)
- Convert to One-Way
- ↑ One-Way Traffic
- // Quiet Zone Extents
- Existing Closures w/type III Barricades
- Intersections with Grade Crossing Improvements

## Washington Ave. Corridor: Railroad Crossings

