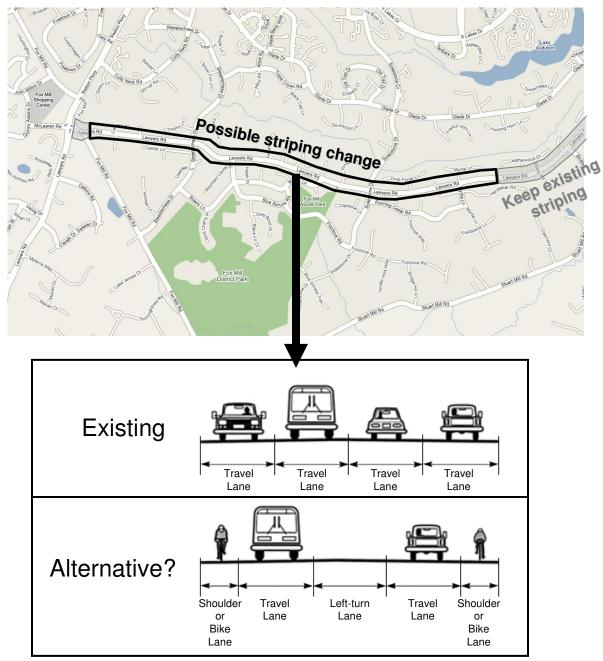
Lawyers Rd. east of Reston Parkway



• Lawyers Road is scheduled for repaying in 2009 between Reston Parkway and Hunter Mill Road (about 4 miles). The section between Fox Mill Road and Myrtle Lane (about 2 miles) is currently marked with two travel lanes in each direction, but traffic volumes do not require two lanes.

• The two traffic signals (at Steeplechase and Soapstone) would operate well with one through lane and a left-turn lane in each direction.

• Several vehicles have been rear-ended on Lawyers while stopped in the left lane waiting to turn left; through traffic may not expect to encounter stopped traffic in a through lane. • Vehicles have drifted across the centerline and struck opposing traffic. A buffer between the travel directions would help prevent this type of crash.

• High speeds and narrow right lanes make Lawyers undesirable for cyclists. Bicycle accommodations either paved shoulders or marked bike lanes—would connect with Reston's path network but provide an alternative route for high-speed cyclists.

• Shoulders would provide a margin for error for vehicles that drop off the edge of pavement.

• In all, 15 preventable crashes have occurred on this section of Lawyers in the last 3 years (2005 – 2007).