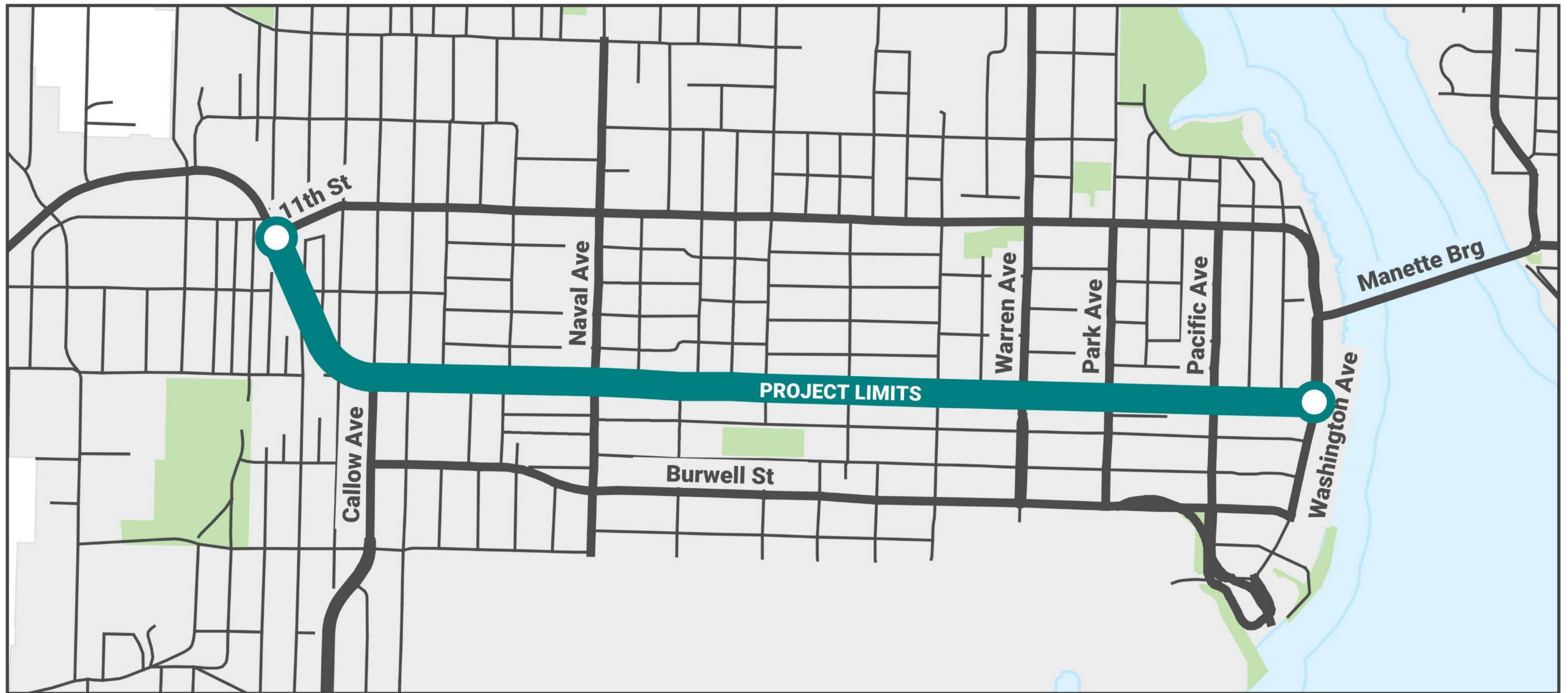


PROJECT OVERVIEW

The City of Bremerton is developing concepts to re-channelize 6th Street to provide on-street bike lanes and improve safety for all

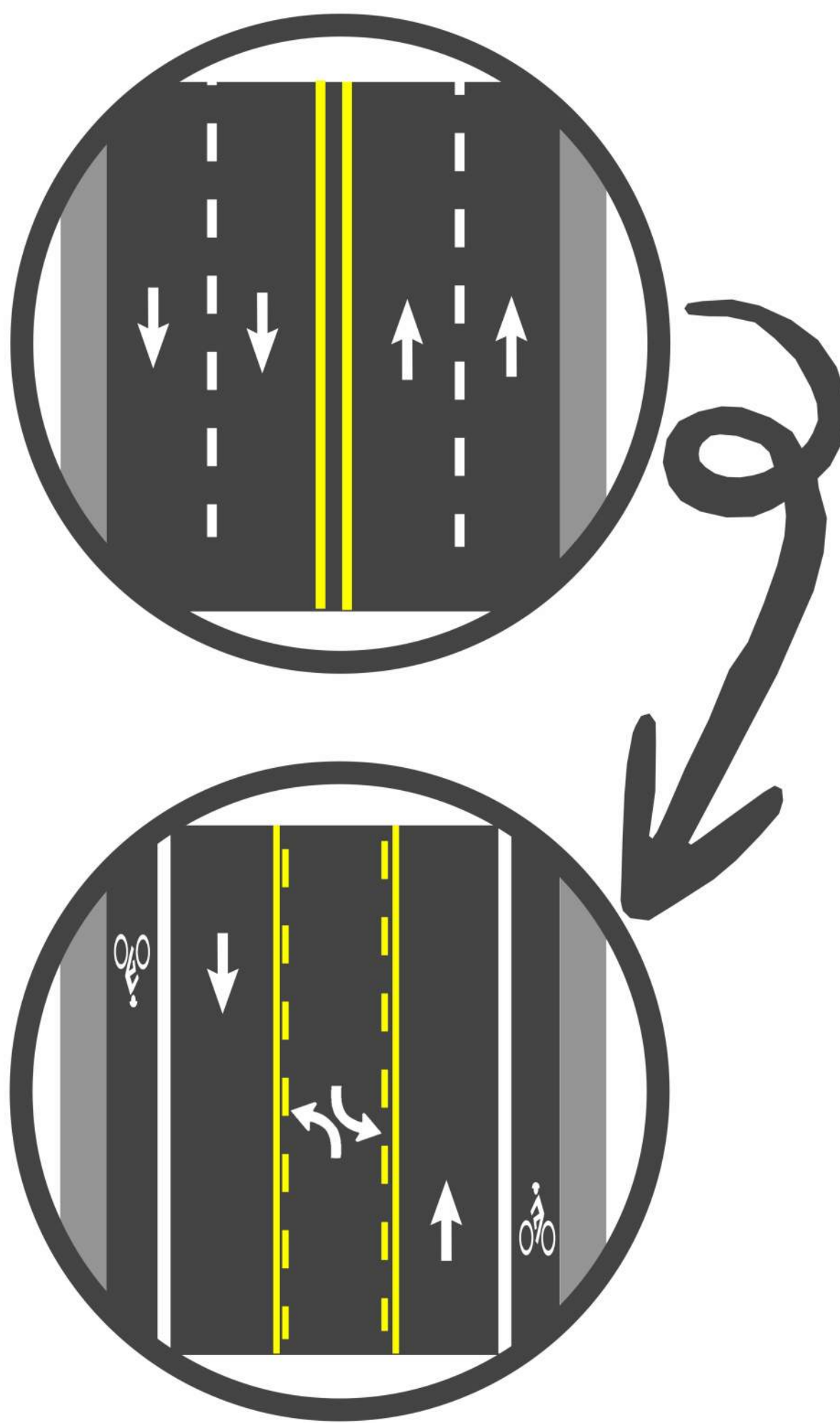
Project Location



What is a Roadway Re-Channelization?

Changes the number, width, or layout of lanes on a street to improve safety, manage traffic flow, and make room for things such as bike lanes

These changes can improve safety and help streets work better for everyone



Why 6th Street and Why Now?

The proposed changes supporting safety and active transportation improvements on 6th Street have been previously identified by the City through prior planning, studies, and community outreach

Local and grant funding have recently been secured to design and construct improvements

Additional community input is requested prior to further project development



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PROJECT TIMELINE

2007

Non-Motorized Transportation Plan

Citywide non-motorized strategy developed including bike lanes on 6th Street through a 4-to-3 lane street re-channelization



Strategic Road Safety Plan

Identified a re-channelization of 6th Street as a priority project based on high crash history

2020

2020

6th & 11th Corridor Feasibility Study

Confirmed feasibility of re-channelizing 6th Street and identified as priority corridor



Joint Compatibility Transportation Plan

Identified a re-channelization of 6th Street as a recommended short-term improvement

2023

2024

Virtual Project Meeting & Open House

Received community input prior to and after initial development of design concepts



Concept Design Refinement and Open House

Gather community input on refined design concepts to identify a preferred design

2025

The construction timeline for the project will depend on schedule, funding, and right-of-way requirements of the preferred design

we are here



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BALANCING STREET USE

Understanding the Many Roles of an Arterial Roadway

This street isn't just for cars. It's a shared public space that serves a wide variety of users, each with different needs



Vehicles

Primary mode of transportation with over 13,000 vehicles per day using 6th Street

Reducing lanes can increase congestion during busy travel times if not carefully planned



Pedestrians

People rely on sidewalks, safe crossings, and bus stops to get around every day

Past projects improved sidewalks and accessibility - This project adds safer intersections and crossings



Cyclists

Whether commuting or riding for fun, cyclists need a safe east-west route that connects people to key destinations

Bike lanes can be designed in many ways, but space is limited when balancing with other street needs



Transit

Many people depend on reliable bus service to get where they need to go

There are 19 bus stops along 6th Street - Any changes must keep buses running smoothly and on time



Street Parking

Street parking supports the needs of local businesses, neighborhoods, and visitors

To make room for bike lanes, some or all on-street parking downtown may need to be reduced



Other Street Uses

6th Street also supports essential services like deliveries, garbage collection, emergency response, and street maintenance

This project must balance all of these needs when planning changes to the street



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WHAT WE'VE HEARD SO FAR

Key themes from community feedback



Make it safer for people biking

- Desire to see protected bike lanes along the full project to keep cyclists safely separated from traffic
- Improve safety at busy intersections by reducing places where bikes and cars cross paths
- Consider a fully protected intersection design at Naval Avenue
- Some want more space for bikes, even if that means removing turn lanes for vehicles



Make it safer for people walking and rolling

- Shorten crosswalks so it's quicker and safer to get across the street
- Provide safe and convenient places to cross the street



Manage traffic flow and improve safety

- Reduce speeding and conflicts
- Some are concerned that proposed changes will cause more vehicle traffic and delays



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WHAT HAS CHANGED

Further Evaluation of Physical Bike Lane Separation



We took a closer look at adding physical separators along the entire project

- Possible in some areas, but not recommended where there isn't enough space to keep road users safe from physical separation
- Police and fire raised concerns that separators could slow emergency response by reducing clear roadway space
- Some off-the-shelf bike lane separators don't meet current federal standards

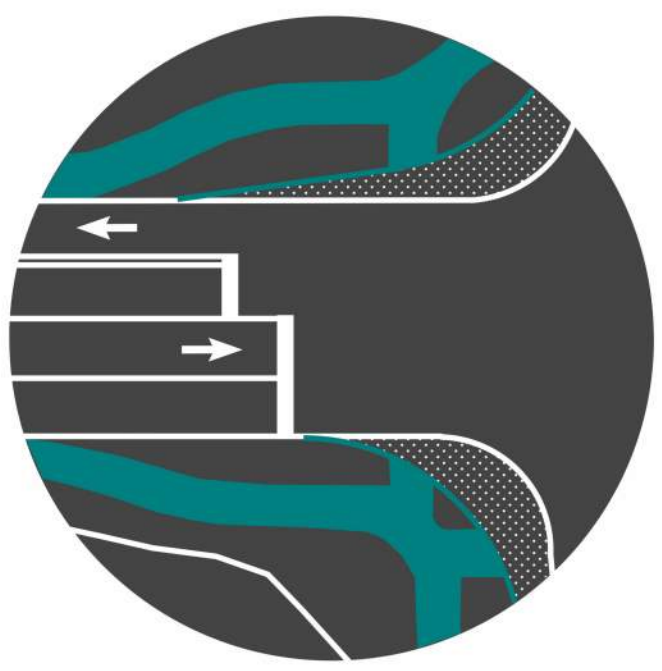
Further Evaluation of Vehicle Turn Lanes



Expanded evaluation of turn lane needs where space could otherwise enhance bike lanes

- A center turn lane between Roosevelt Ave and Pennsylvania Ave could be removed but impacts access and other design elements
- At Park Ave and Pacific Ave, removing separate left-turn lanes is possible and would allow more bike lane separation
- Right-turn lanes at Naval Avenue are helpful but not essential during peak hours - Heavy traffic from Naval base operations could still cause intermittent delays

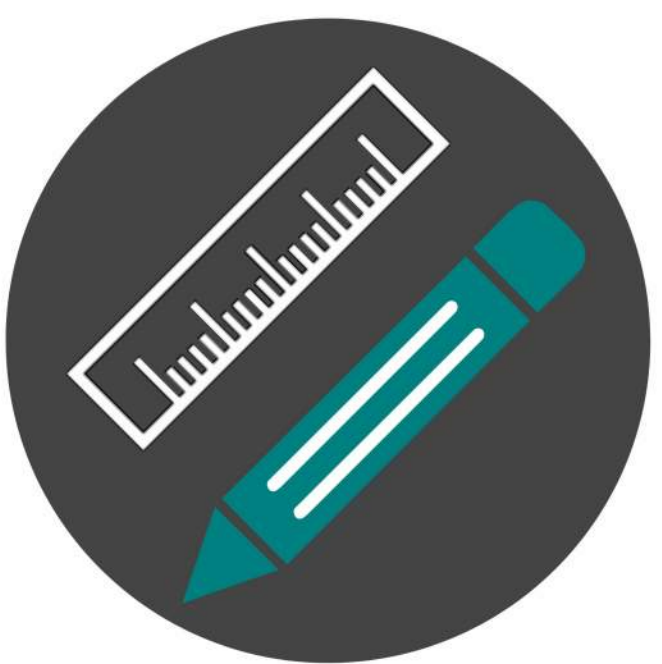
Evaluation of Naval Ave Protected Intersection



Develop concepts for enhanced bike lane protection at Naval Ave

- Fully protected intersection concepts developed but are outside the current scope and budget for this project
- New protected approach concept developed which increases bike lane separation within the project scope and budget

Review of Updated Bicycle Facility Design Guidance



Review new 2025 guidance developed for the design of street bicycle facilities

- Recommends design flexibility maximizing bike facility safety and comfort to the extent feasible when constraints or competing uses do not allow installation of recommended bike facilities



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NEXT STEPS

Take the Online Survey Through October 22, 2025

Public feedback is essential to the success of this project - Tell us what you think!



Visit the project webpage or scan this QR code to take a brief project survey

While we encourage completion of the online survey for accurate reporting of public input, email comments will also be accepted. Contact information for emailed or written comments can be found on the project webpage.

Ask More Questions and Stay Engaged

Have more questions after this meeting?

Want to stay informed of future project updates?

Let us Know!

Project staff can be contacted by phone or email.
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*Thank You for
Attending!*



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