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Topic: **Road Safety Star Ratings – Application of AusRAP**

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## *Speakers*



**Gabby O'Neill**, Assistant Secretary, Head of Federal Office of Road Safety



**Mark Ellis**, Director, Road Safety Strategy Implementation & Programs,  
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**Joseph Le**, Senior Manager Safer Roads, Transport for NSW



**Kenn Beer**, Principal Engineer, Safe System Solutions Pty Ltd

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*The use of star ratings in national road safety investment*

**Presented by Gabby O'Neill and Mark Ellis  
Office of Road Safety**





# National Road Safety Strategy 2021-30 and Action Plan 2021-25



## National Road Safety Strategy 2021-30

Consultation Draft  
February 2021



By the end of 2025, minimum 3-star or equivalent safety standard on all national highways and high-speed, high-volume regional roads covering 80 per cent of travel across the network, with a long-term aim for 4 or 5 stars on high-volume roads



### Infrastructure

#### Commonwealth

Fund investment through the National Partnership Agreement for land transport infrastructure projects

#### States & Territories

Implement Safe System improvements across road networks and provide data to report on the status of national road safety

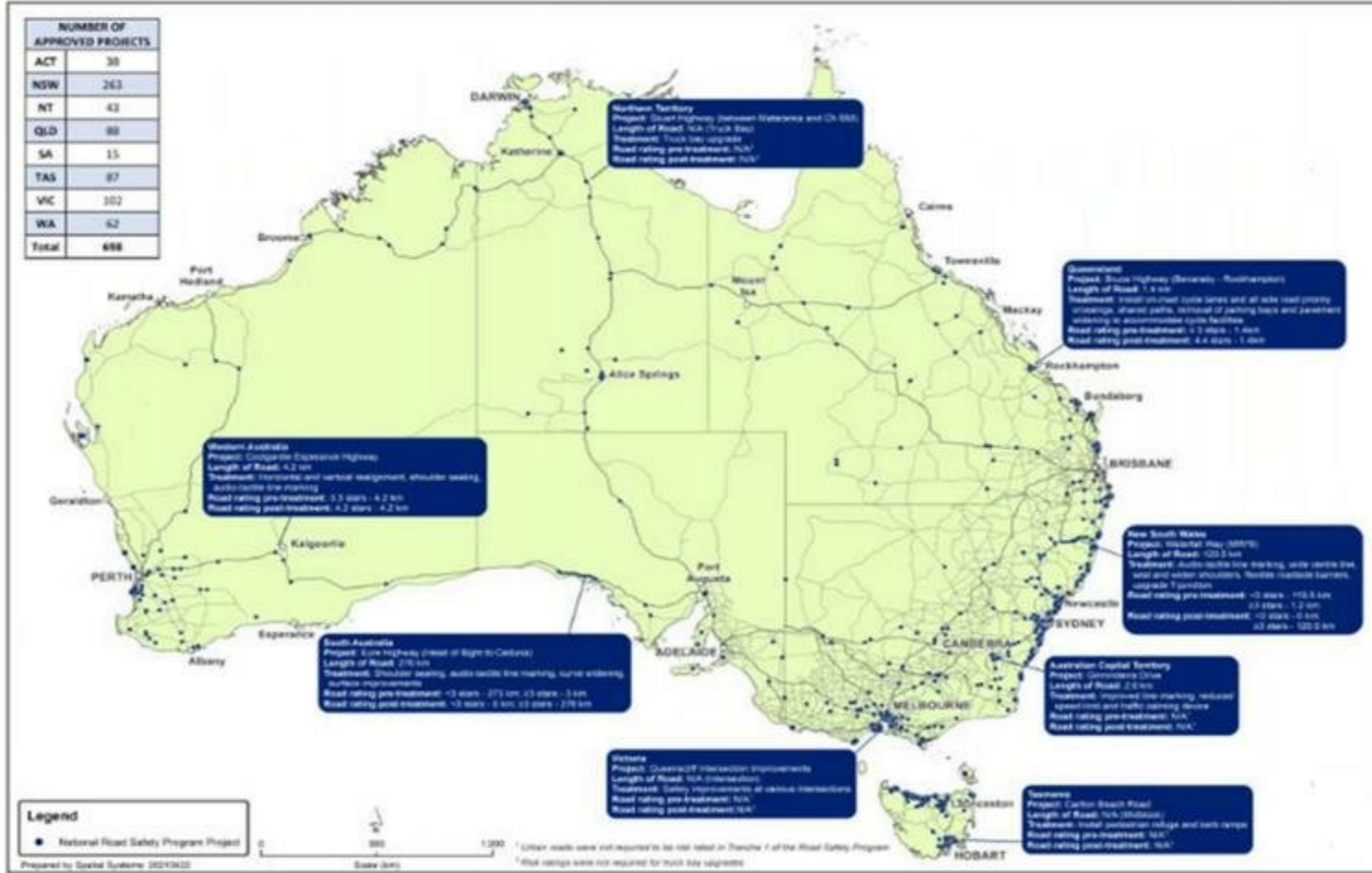
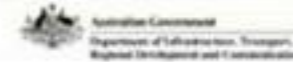


# National Road Safety Data Hub

*Delivering nationally consistent, credible and consumable data and information to support the prevention of fatal and serious injuries on Australian roads*



# LOCATION OF PROJECTS FUNDED UNDER THE NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM - TRANCHE 1



# Tranche 1: 698 project locations



**Before**



**After**



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# AusRAP Case Study

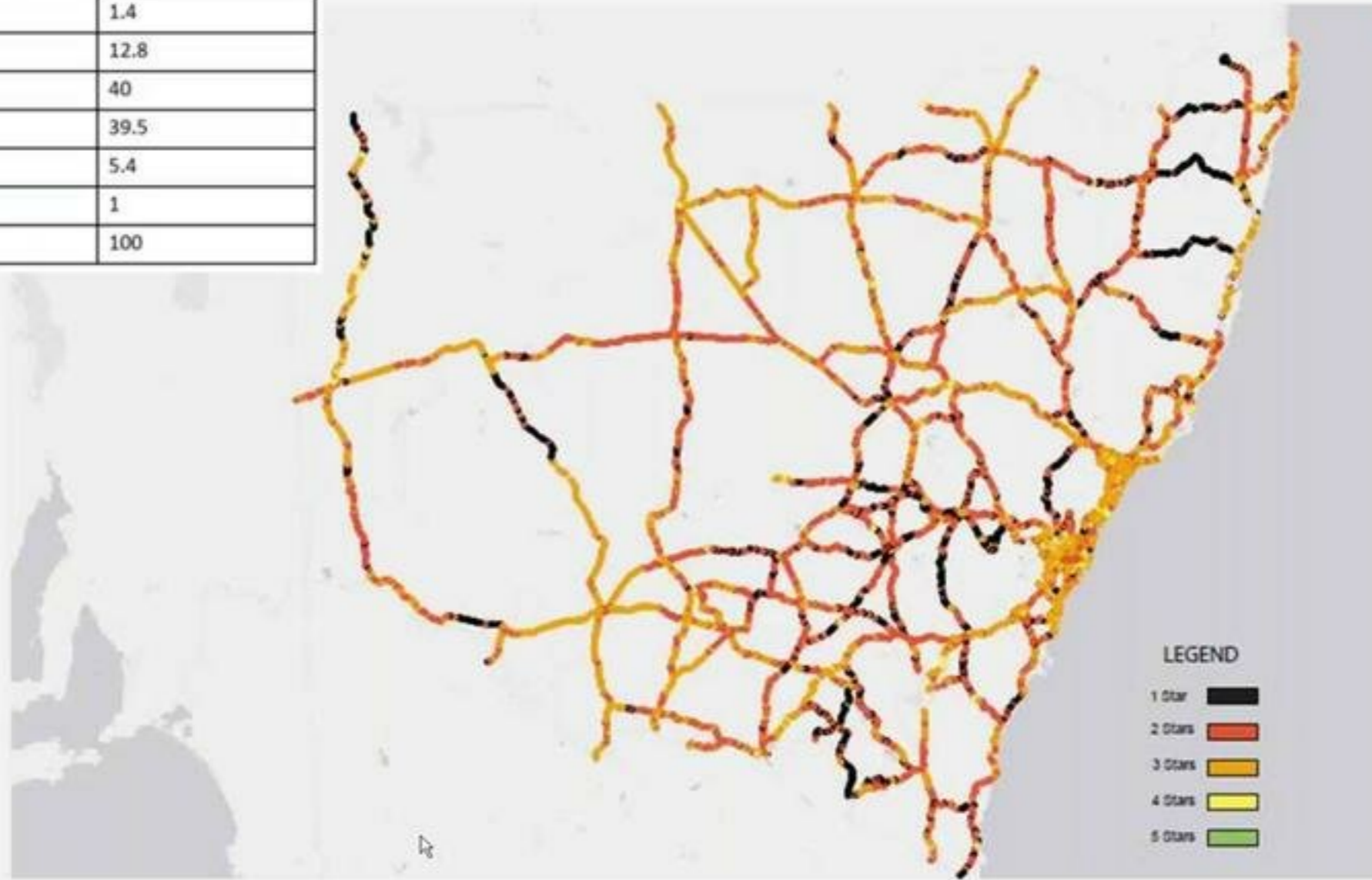
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# NSW Star Rating



STAR Ratings	Length (kms)	% of Network
Null	238.8	1.4
1	2245.8	12.8
2	7029.4	40
3	6943.4	39.5
4	951.6	5.4
5	172.8	1
Grand Total	17,581.72	100



### LEGEND

- 1 Star
- 2 Stars
- 3 Stars
- 4 Stars
- 5 Stars





# Princes Highway Corridor Upgrade

- First Safe System Assessments completed on a major project planning and design
- Major safety benefits in the scope of works

Star ratings	BEFORE (current)		AFTER (proposed)	
	km	%	km	%
5 Stars	4.2	0.9	59.4	12.4
4 Stars	79.7	16.6	280.7	58.5
3 Stars	217.5	45.	137.9	28.7
2 Stars	168.8	35.2	2.1	0.4
1 Star	9.9	2.1	0.0	0.0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>480.1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>480.1</b>	<b>100</b>



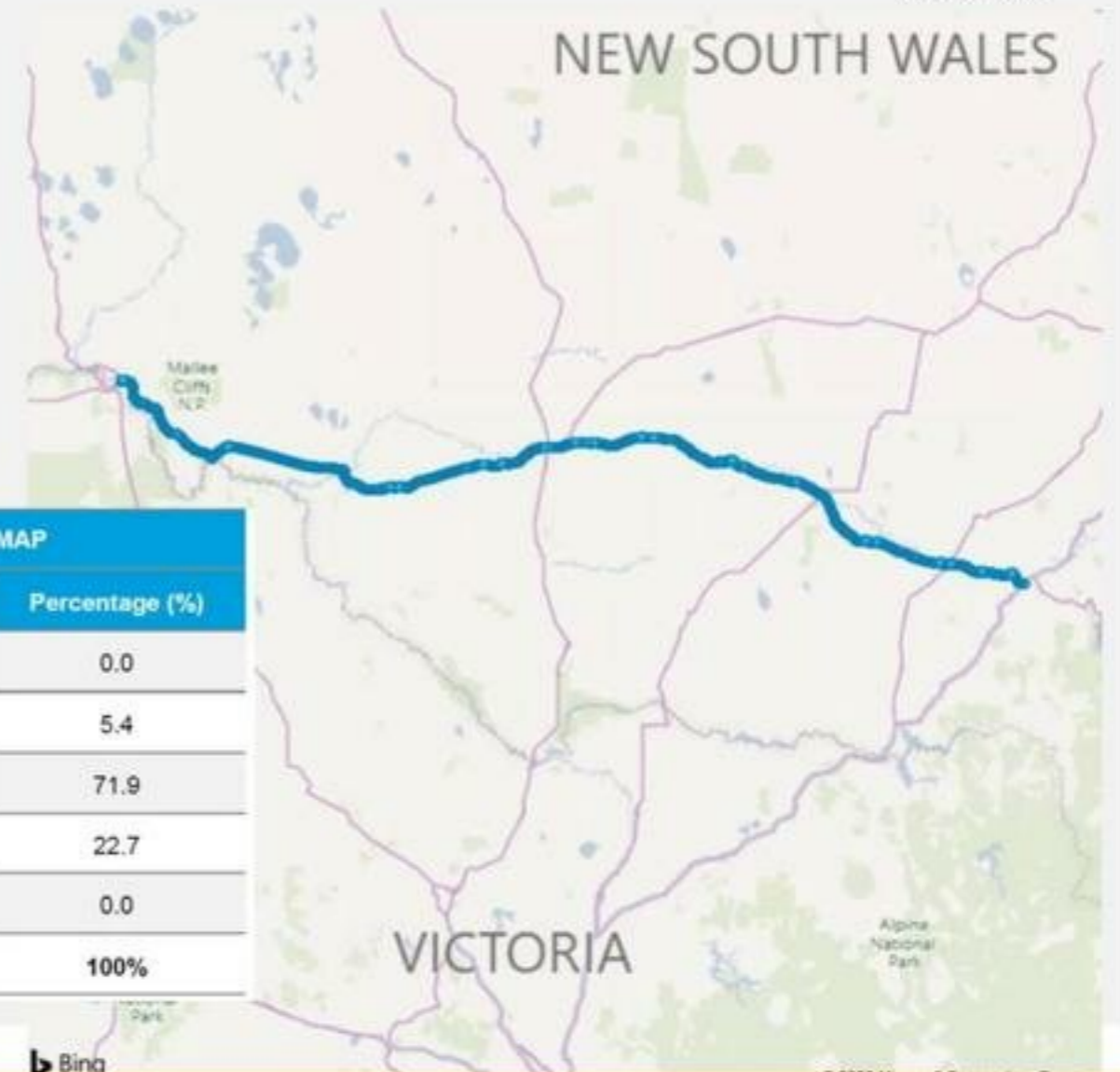
# Burrendong Way from Mitchell Highway to Calula Creek



60km length project

Key road safety treatments:

- Roadside flexible safety barrier
- Audio-tactile line marking for the whole length
- Shoulder widening
- Intersection upgrades
- Signage and delineation
- Clear zone improvements
- Transverse line marking



Star Ratings	Before MAP		After MAP	
	Length (km)	Percentage (%)	Length (km)	Percentage (%)
5 Stars	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4 Stars	5.2	0.9	32.2	5.4
3 Stars	330.8	55.0	432.4	71.9
2 Stars	189.7	31.6	136.5	22.7
1 Star	75.4	12.5	0.0	0.0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>601.1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>601.1</b>	<b>100%</b>



# Safe System Planning and Design Principle

Figure 1 – Desirable Cross-Section for “Jervis Bay Road to Batemans Bay” section (>12,000 Annual Average Daily Traffic AADT)

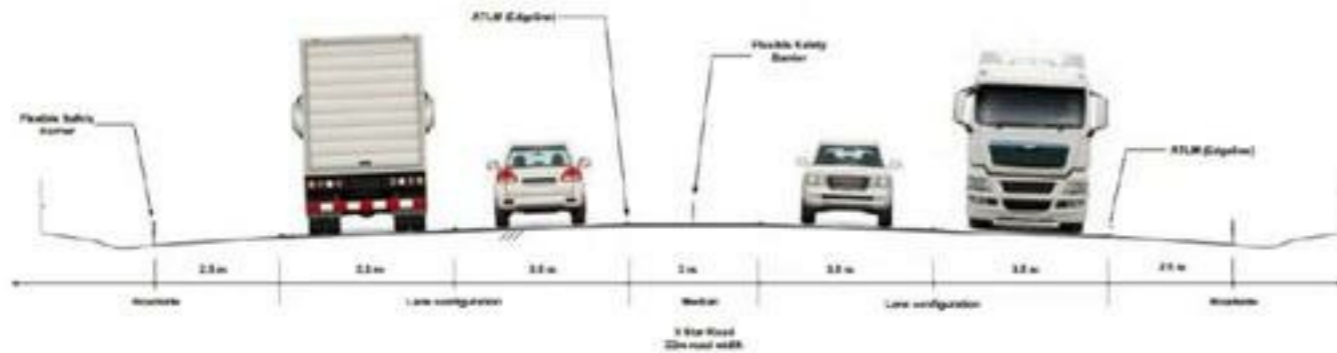
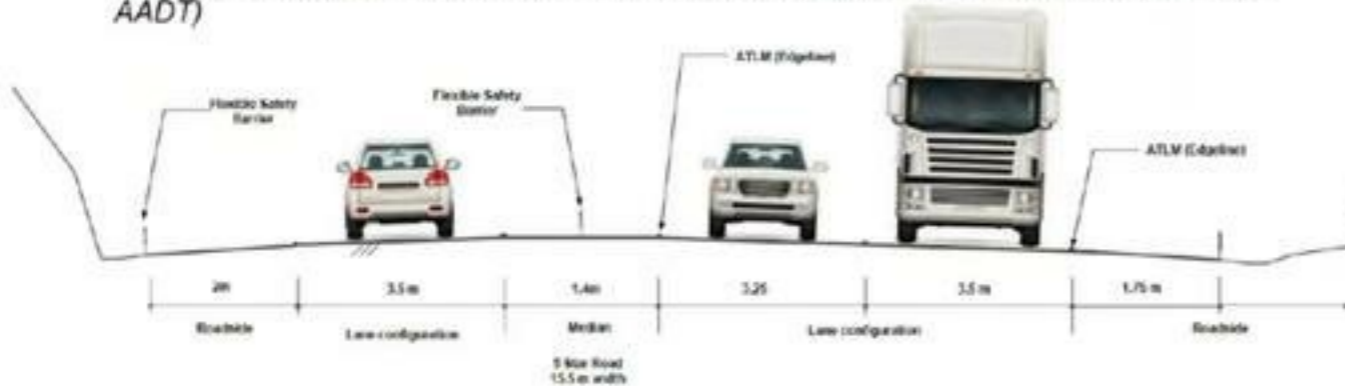


Figure 2 – Desirable Cross-Section for “Batemans Bay to Eden” section (6,000-12,000 AADT)



**AusRAP star rating analysis** enables prioritisation of infrastructure upgrades at highest-risk locations along the Princes Highway

**Safe System Planning and Design Principles** maximises the road safety benefit throughout the asset lifecycle once completed





## Acknowledgements



*From the Princes Highway Upgrade perspective, the involvement of the Centre For Road Safety has been key – offering guidance and expert advice on safe systems approaches to road safety across the development of the Strategic Program Business Case, engagement in the program governance and direct input in project and options workshops. This has ensured that the Program keeps road safety front and centre of our decisions.*

- *Princes Highway Program Director*

*The level of proactive collaboration, engagement and contribution from CfRS teams members enabled them to be effectively embedded in the PHU team to support and inform the direction of the PHU program to achieve the objectives and desired outcomes for each project.*

*– Princes Highway Lead Project Developer*



## Additional Projects – Rating of Regional Roads

**~19,000kms**

Star Rating assessment of the regional road network has commenced

Star Rating

**18,000kms**

complementing the star rating assessment already completed on the state controlled road network.

### AiRAP

- New project which leverages readily available commercial and open-source data (e.g. LiDAR, video and satellite data) and automated data analytic techniques (machine learning).
- Proof-of-concept intended to deliver data specifications, compliance and quality assurance processes, to prove the methodologies and provide the framework and confidence levels for AiRAP data generated in NSW
- Final report scheduled for mid-2022



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# AusRAP Case Study

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# Introduction to Star Rating for Road Safety Audit

## Seminar Presentation



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# WHY?

## Experience + Data = Optimal outcome

	Road Safety Audit	iRAP Assessment
Strengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expert experience</li><li>• Relatively easy process, can be low cost</li><li>• All safety concerns</li><li>• Any level of detail</li><li>• All road users, their capabilities and limitations</li><li>• All stages of design</li><li>• All types of roads</li><li>• Day and night</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Global standard, highly repeatable</li><li>• Vehicle occupants, motorcyclists, pedestrians and bicyclists</li><li>• Can be 100 metre or an entire network</li><li>• Objective metrics enables targets and economic analysis</li><li>• All existing roads and designs</li><li>• Results in a central web platform</li><li>• Global training and accreditation</li></ul>
Limitations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No global standard</li><li>• Very dependent on expertise of auditor</li><li>• Subjectivity</li><li>• Challenging on long lengths</li><li>• Tend towards low-cost but low-impact treatments</li><li>• No financial or quantified impact analysis</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fixed list of attributes</li><li>• Segment lengths fixed at 100 metres</li><li>• performed in daylight and does not consider weather</li><li>• The quality of results depend on the quality of input data</li><li>• Results can be misinterpreted</li><li>• Data requirements for a full assessment</li></ul>





# SR4RSA



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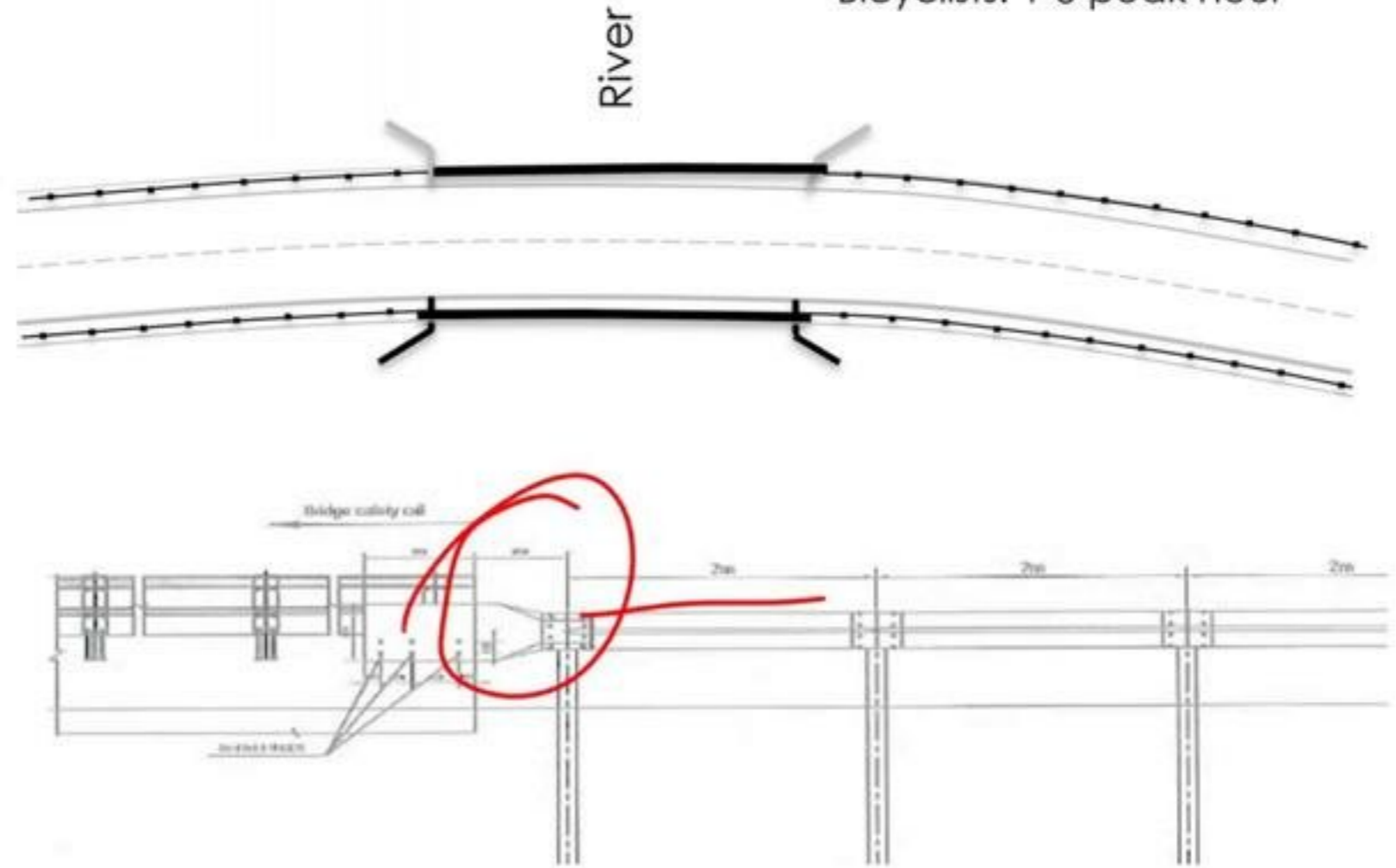






# Review the design and visit the site

Speed Limit: 100km/h  
85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed: 100km/h  
AADT: 7,000  
Pedestrians: 1-5 peak hour  
Bicyclists: 1-5 peak hour



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# The Safety Concern

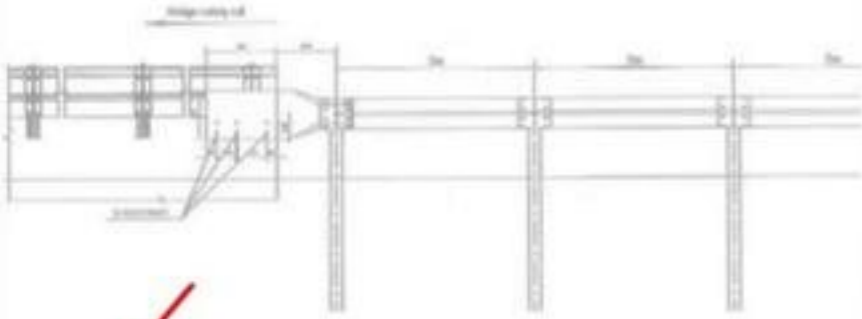


Risk		Frequency of Possible Crash			
		Frequent	Probable	Occasional	Improbable
Severity of Possible Crash	Catastrophic	Intolerable	Intolerable	Intolerable	High
	Serious	Intolerable	Intolerable	High	Medium
	Minor	Intolerable	High	Medium	Low
	Limited	High	Medium	Low	Low







Ref	Safety Concern	Risk
3.1	<p>The transition between guardrail and bridge barrier is not adequate. In the last part of the guardrail there is no stiffening necessary for the transition to the bridge barrier. In the event of a collision, the guardrail would be more deformed than the bridge barrier, which would create a pocketing scenario which would effectively be a rigid obstacle or a spearing hazard.</p> 	<p>Medium</p> <p>Safe System Energy</p> <p>Above tolerable</p>



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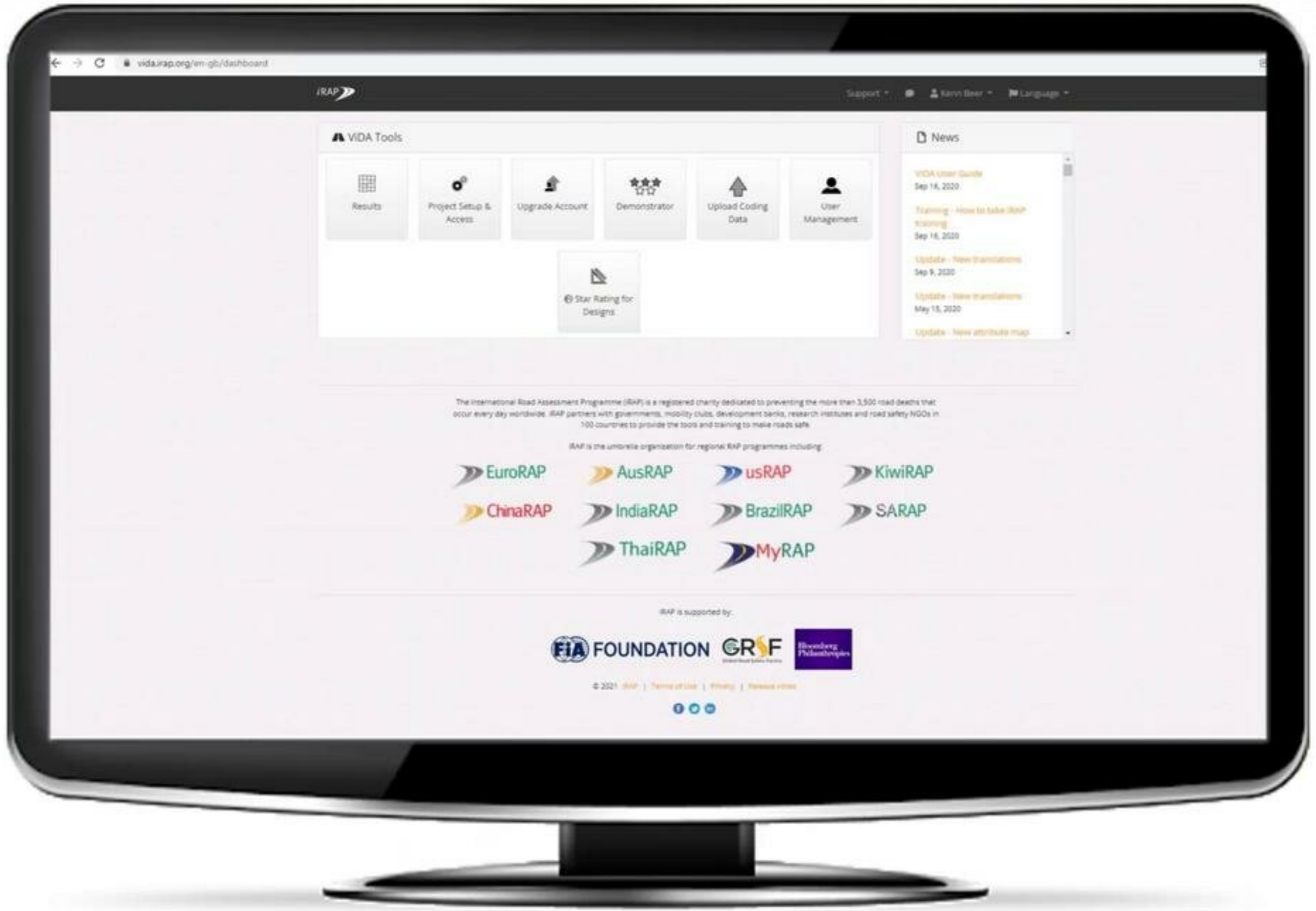
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### Star Rating Demonstrator



Star Ratings Chart

Load / Save Roadside Mid-block Intersections Flow VLU facilities and land use Speeds

#### Standard cross sections

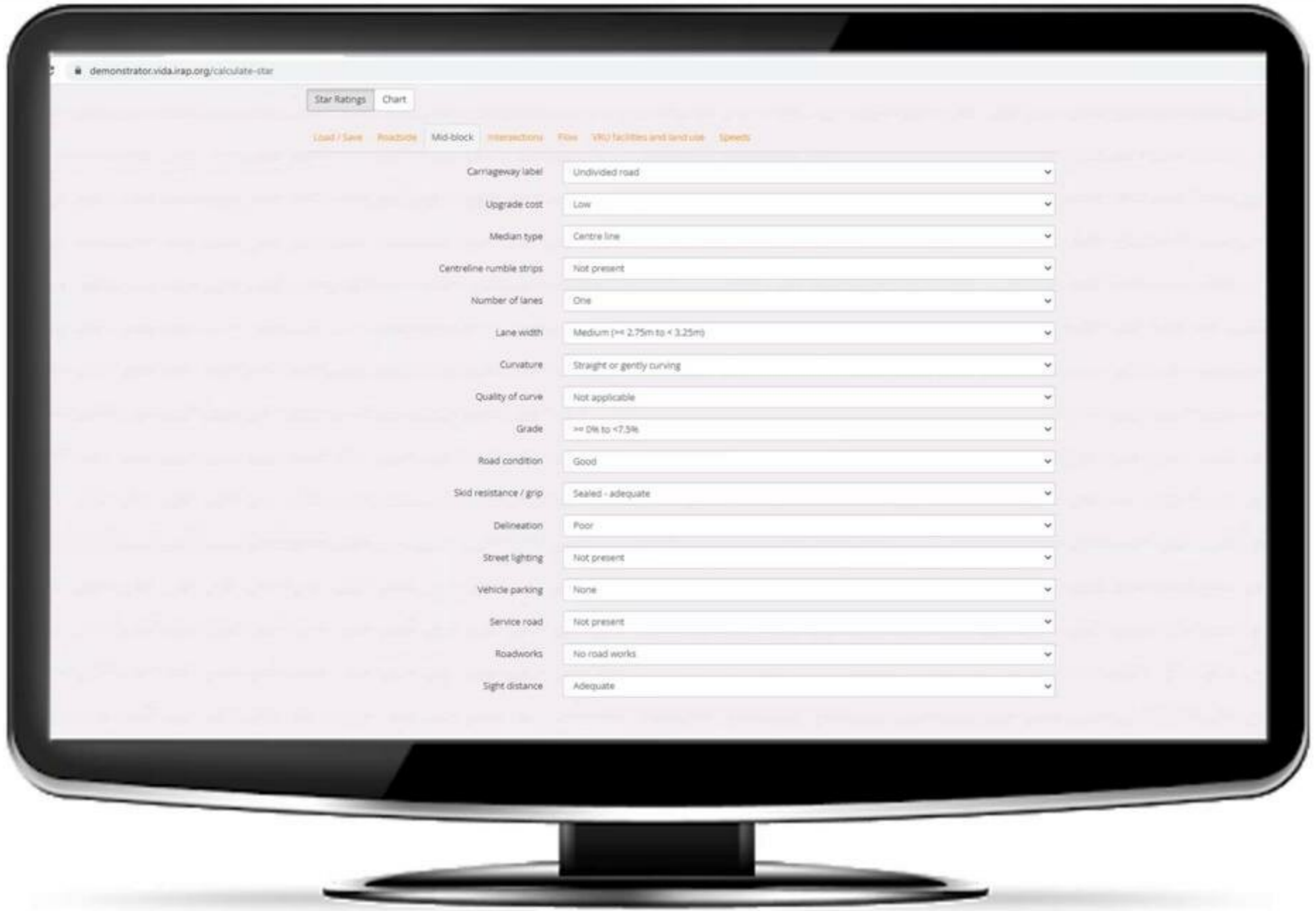
High-standard urban	High-standard rural	High-standard motorway
Low-standard urban	Low-standard rural	Low-standard motorway

#### Saved road sections

100-200	
200-300	
300-400	
400-500	
500-600	
600-700	
700-800	







# Star rating







# Recommendation



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# INITIAL DESIGN



17.49



20.45



123.28



59.72



# WITH RECOMMENDATION



6.93



13.85



123.28



59.71



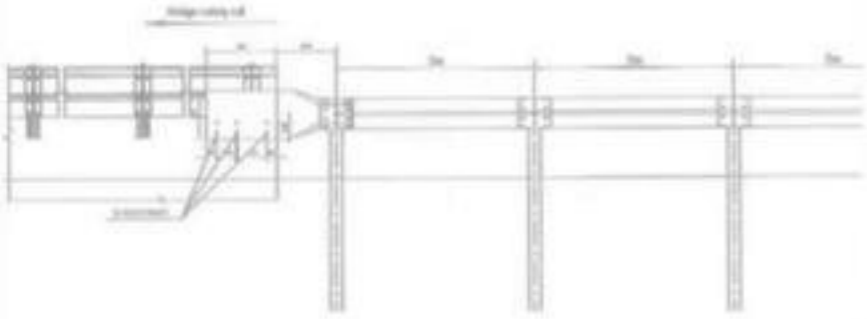

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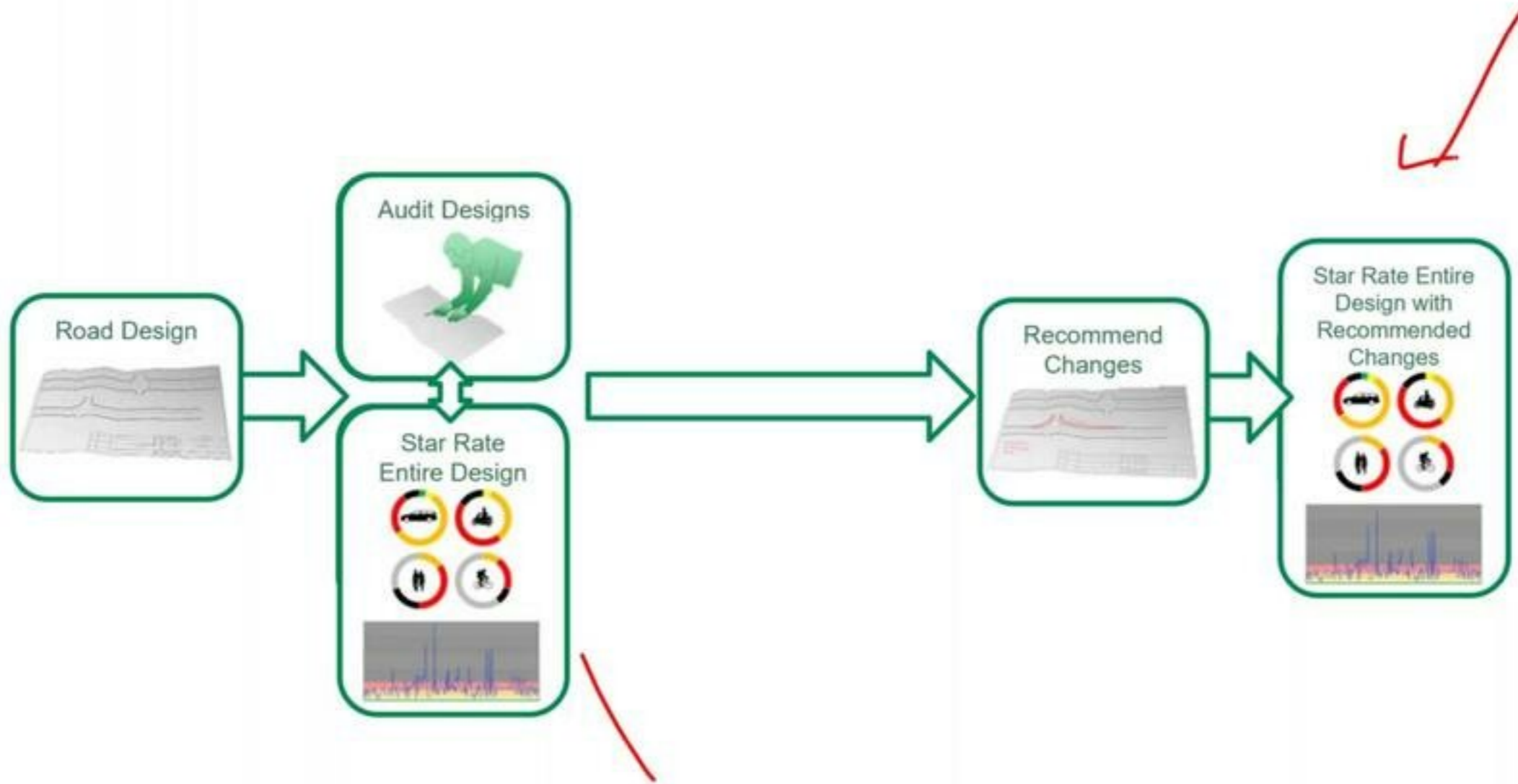


Ref	Safety Concern	Risk	Star Rating (Initial Design)	Recommendation	Star Rating (with recommendations)	Client Response
3.1	<p>The transition between guardrail and bridge barrier is not adequate. In the last part of the guardrail there is no stiffening necessary for the transition to the bridge barrier. In the event of a collision, the guardrail would be more deformed than the bridge barrier, which would create a pocketing scenario which would effectively be a rigid obstacle or a spearing hazard.</p> 	<p>Medium</p> <p>Safe System Energy</p> <p>Above tolerable</p>	<p>Car: 3 stars</p> <p>Motorcycle: 3 stars</p> <p>Pedestrian: 1 star</p> <p>Bicyclist: 3 stars</p>	<p>Ensure an appropriate and approved transition between the two types of barriers to avoid performance changes (P). This can be achieved by progressive stiffening of the guardrail, for example by reducing the spacing of the posts.</p> 	<p>Car: 5 stars</p> <p>Motorcycle: 3 stars</p> <p>Pedestrian: 1 star</p> <p>Bicyclist: 3 stars</p>	





# Level 2



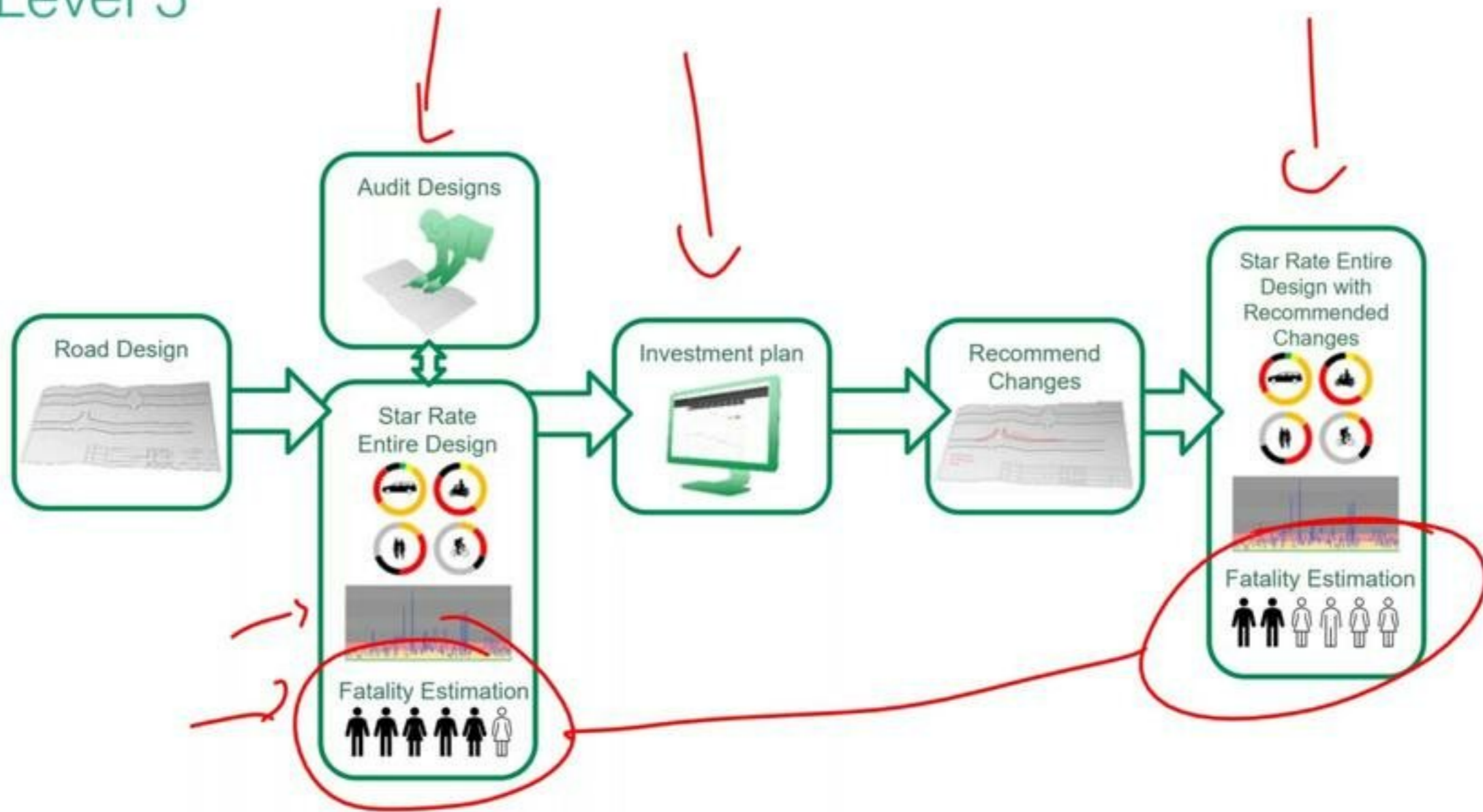




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# Level 3







# Star Rating results







## estimated reduction in Fatal and serious injuries

### Initial Highway Upgrade Design (Before SR4RSA)



Predicted Fatality and Serious Injuries:

Vehicle Occupants: 3.6    Motorcyclists: 22.8    Pedestrians: 2.7    Bicyclists: 6.2

**TOTAL: 35.3**

### Altered Highway Upgrade Design (After SR4RSA)



Predicted Fatality and Serious Injuries:

Vehicle Occupants: 1.6    Motorcyclists: 9.8    Pedestrians: 1.4    Bicyclists: 2.2

**TOTAL: 15.0**

**(58% reduction in Fatal and Serious Injuries)**



Target:  
% FSI  
reduction



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SOLUTION**   
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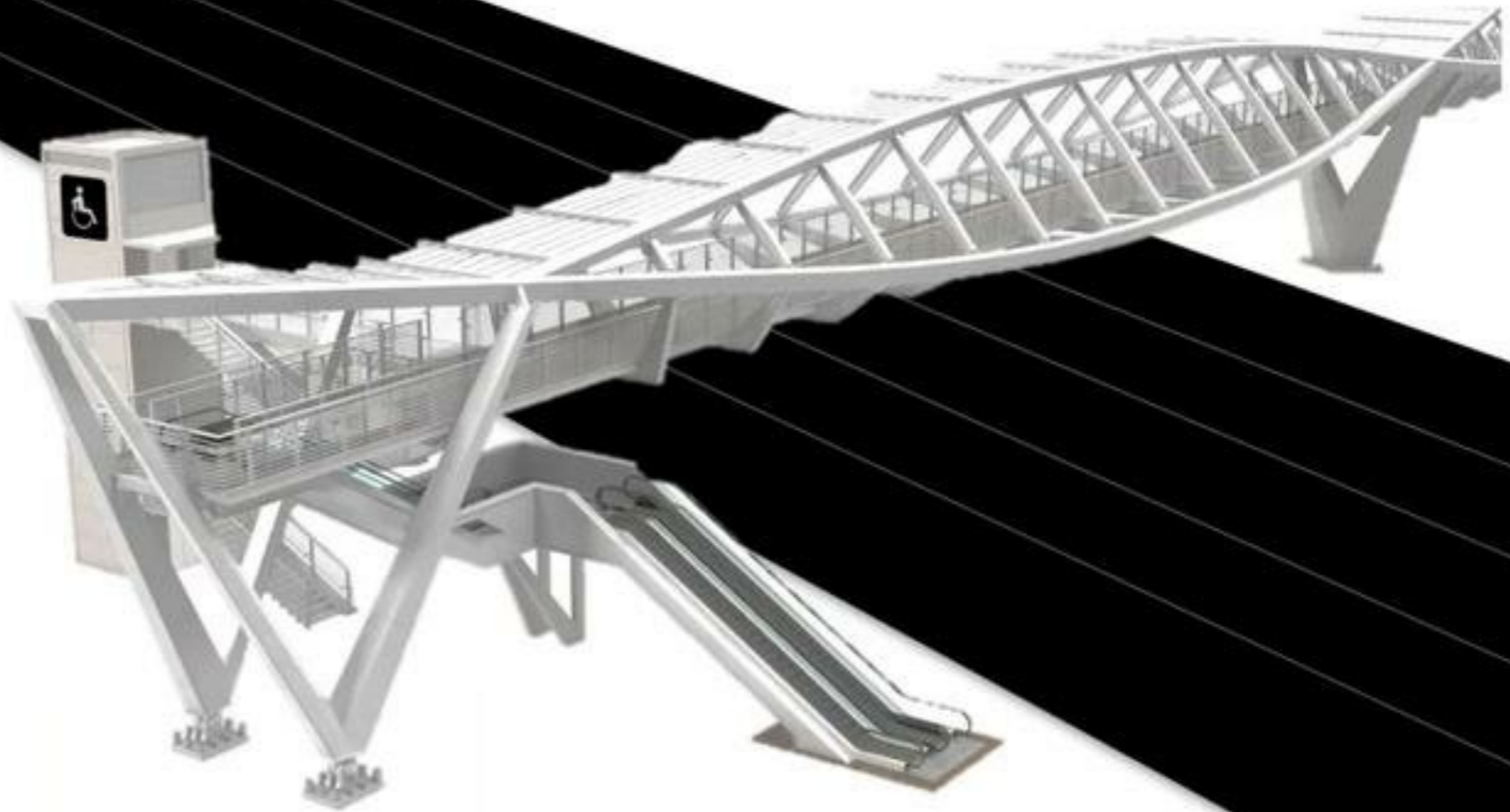
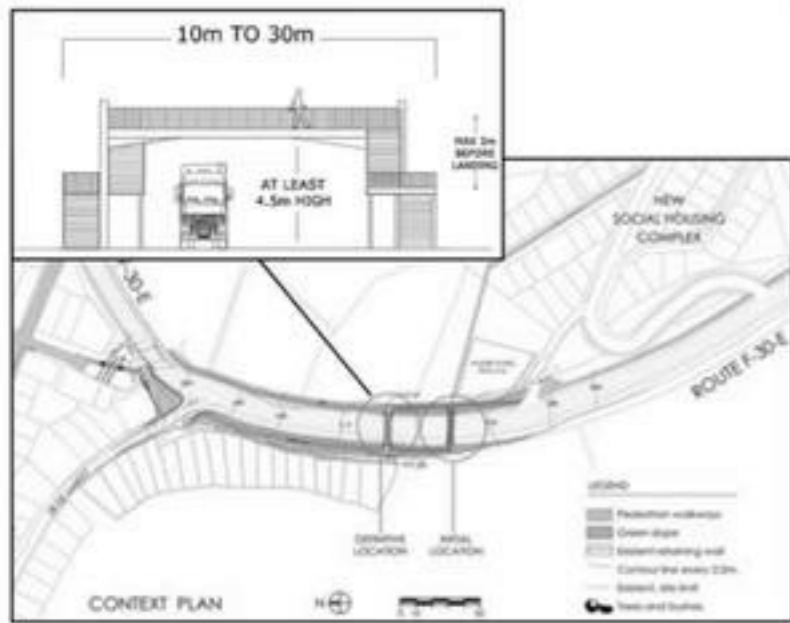
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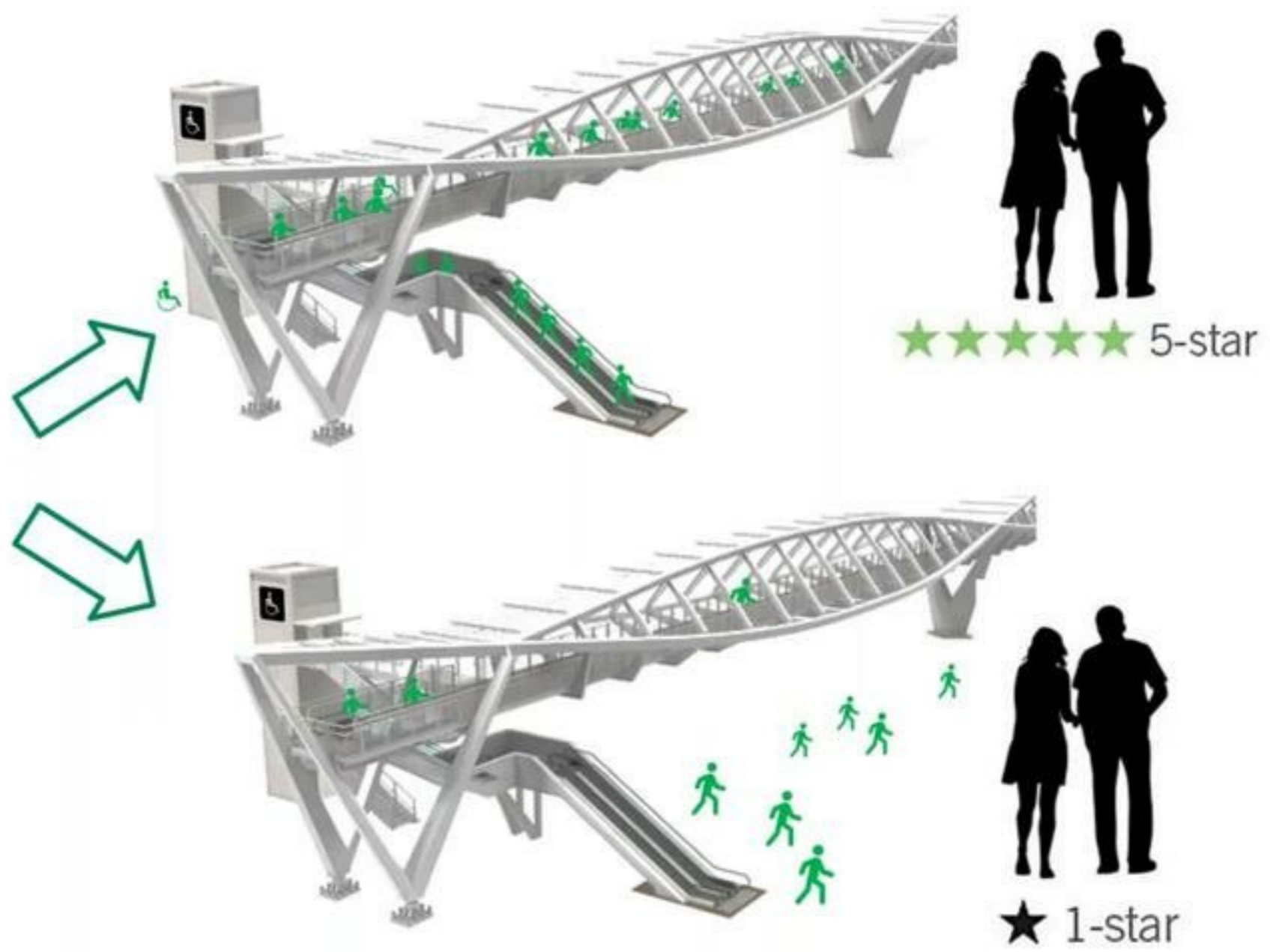
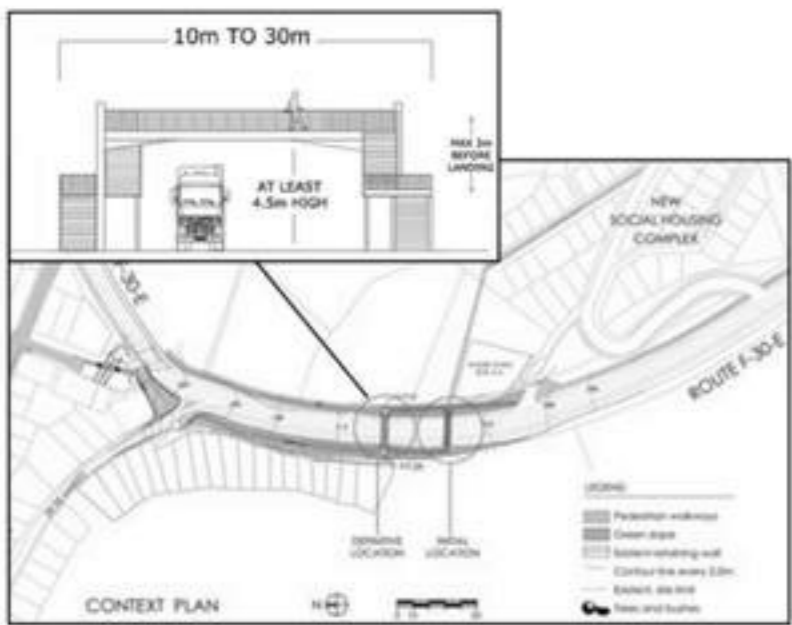
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# Situational scrutiny



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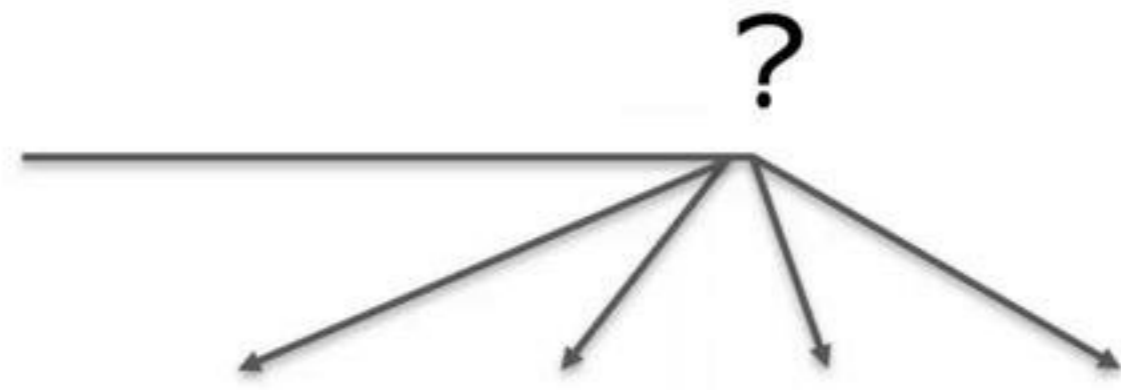












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 <p><b>END</b> Code: 15</p> <p>Unprotected safety barrier end</p> <p>Aggressive ends to safety barriers.</p> <p>Examples are ramped ends, unprotected ends, sharp ends or fish-tail terminals.</p> <p>This category should also be used to record damaged sections of safety barrier.</p> 	 <p><b>METAL</b> Code: 1</p> <p>Safety barrier – metal</p> <p>Metal safety barrier sufficient to restrain most cars and small vehicles (not wire rope safety barrier).</p> <p>Should be a continuous length of unbroken, undamaged safety barrier.</p> 	 <p><b>CONCRETE</b> Code: 2</p> <p>Safety barrier – concrete</p> <p>Concrete safety barrier sufficient to restrain most cars and small vehicles.</p> <p>Should be a continuous length of unbroken, undamaged safety barrier.</p> 	 <p><b>WIRE ROPE</b> Code: 4</p> <p>Safety barrier – wire rope</p> <p>Wire rope safety barrier sufficient to restrain most cars and small vehicles.</p> <p>Should be a continuous length of unbroken, undamaged safety barrier.</p> 
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Situational scrutiny





# Situational scrutiny



## iRAP Coding Options



Poor  
Code: 2



**LINES**  
Signing of hazards, or centre and edge markings are generally absent or in poor condition.



Adequate  
Code: 1



**LINES**  
Signs warning of severe hazards, and centre and edge markings are generally present and visible.



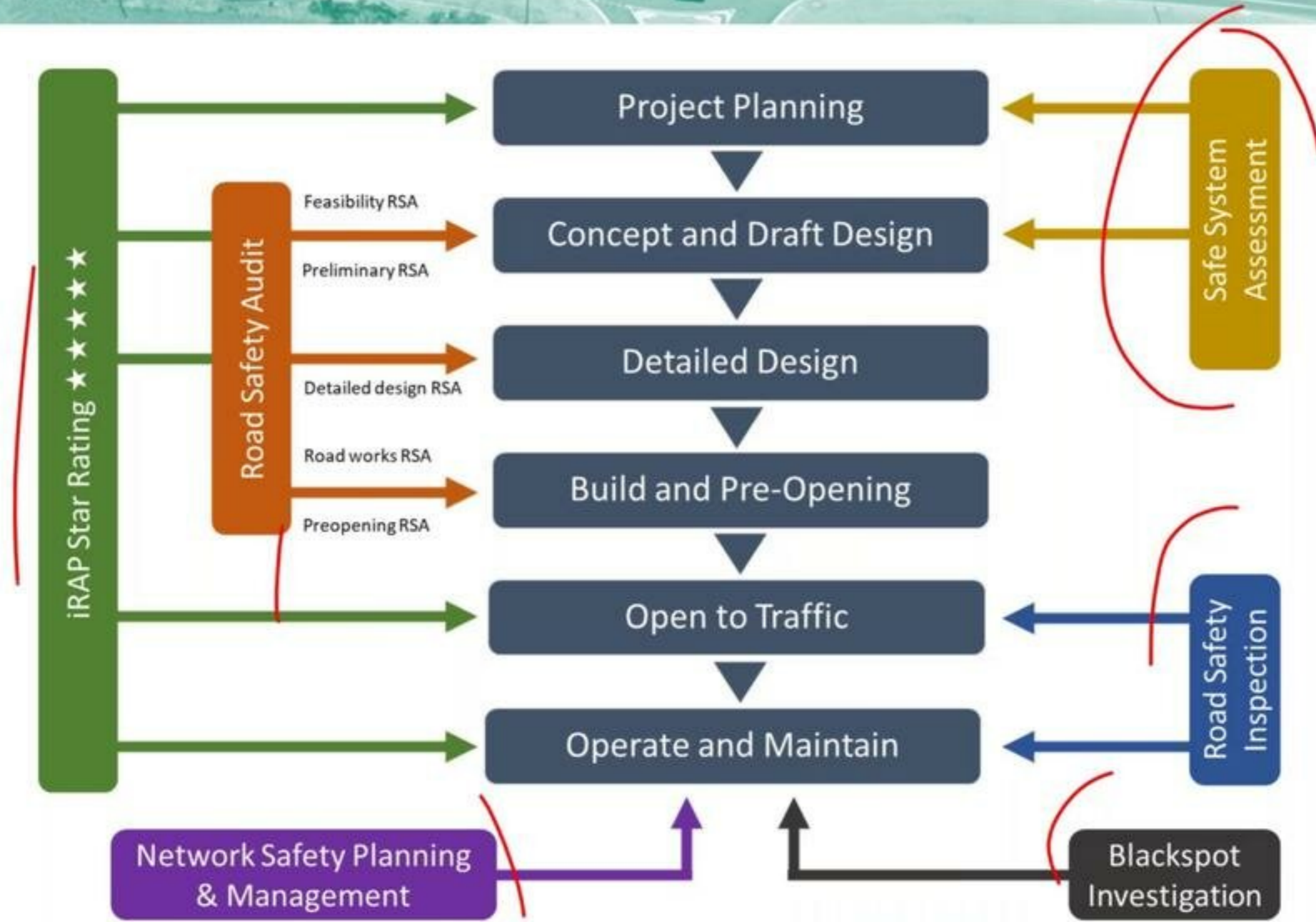
Line marking directs (or misleads) drivers into a hazardous situation



Road Safety Auditor input









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## Question and Answer Session

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