

Crash Analysis Studio

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Today's Panelists

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Crash Information

- A 67-year-old woman was trying to cross from the south to the north side of Highway 20 when she was struck by a motorist in the eastbound lane, just west of Benton Avenue
- The motorist, 56-year-old Dawn Marie Johnson, was driving a 1995 Buick eastbound when she struck the pedestrian
- The collision occurred at 7:38 p.m. on February 14, 2024
 - Our local contact did not qualify as a part of interest and thus was ineligible to receive a copy of the crash report
- Weather reports tell us it was dark and rainy in Nice; there were also multiple downpours the week of the collision

Crash Information

- California Highway Patrol indicates that medics showed up to the scene of the collision and tried to revive the pedestrian
- The pedestrian succumbed to her injuries on the scene
- Media coverage makes no mention of drug or alcohol usage

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Pawsitive Vibes
pet grooming



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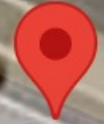
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Market in Nice CA

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Benton Ave

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Sam's Café



Nice Market



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Benton Avenue →

Pawsitive Vibes

Crash Details

- The speed limit on Highway 20 at the collision location is 40 mph, though the limit on other parts of Highway 20 sometimes climbs to 50+ mph
- Additional crash information was also not available via SWITRS (Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System) at this time

Overall Site Conditions

- **Highway 20** features 2 through traffic lanes with a center lane used for turns in both directions
 - There are extra wide lanes for stopping, parking, and accessing businesses on either side of the highway as well
- The area where the collision occurred is neither signalized nor marked with crosswalks
- The closest crosswalk appears to be north of the collision site at Howard Avenue



LAKE COUNTY
Abundant Blessings

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**ROMI'S
& BAR**
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market.
**GOOD EAP
NATURE ST**
**FOR
BIRDS**

**Crash Location
Memorial Site facing Northeast**



Crash Location
Memorial Stie facing Southeast



**Howard Avenue
Facing Northeast toward Crash Site**



Howard Avenue
Full Roadway¹²



VP
FUELS
Gasoline Cash Price
REGULAR 4.49
MID-LEVEL 4.69
PREMIUM 4.89
CASH 5.19

GRADY'S CONCRETE
CONCRETE WORK

**Pedestrian View,
Facing Northwest**



**Pedestrian View of Location
Facing Southwest**



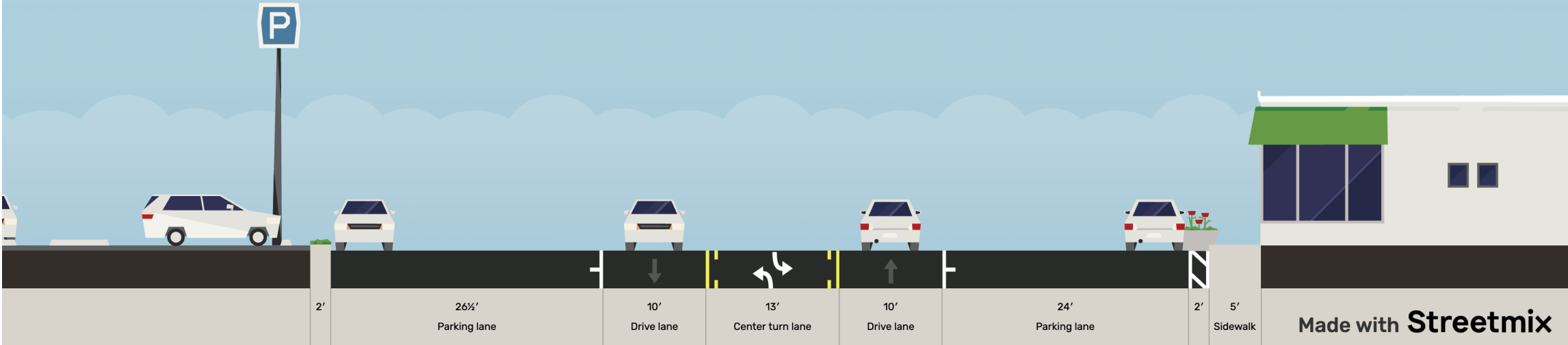
**Howard Avenue
Nearby Crosswalk**



**Aerial Shot from Howard Avenue
Facing East/Northeast from Crash Location**



California Hwy 20 (WB View)

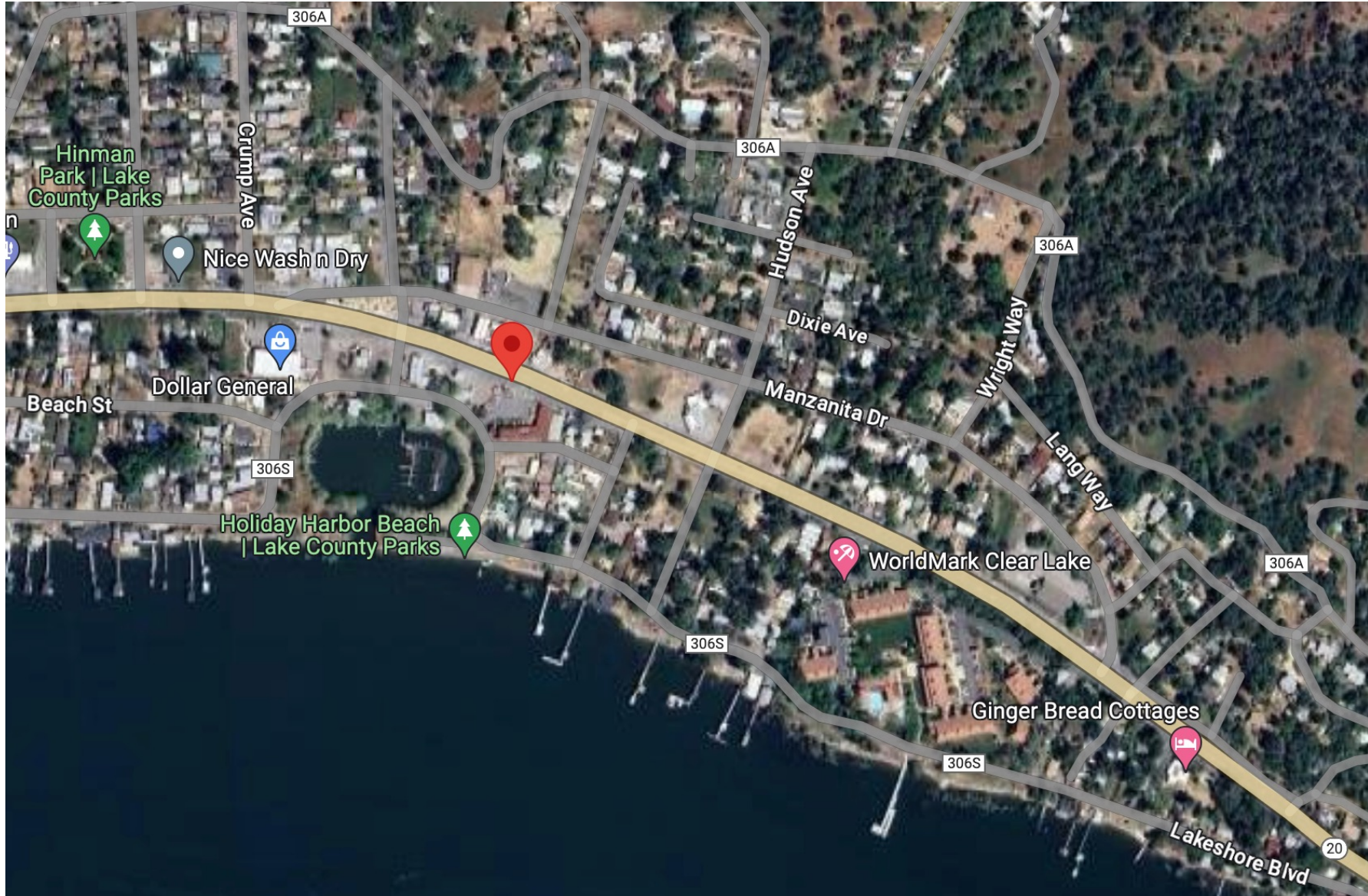


2 large unmarked shoulders/parking lanes: 26.5' & 24' wide
2 through traffic lanes: Each 10' wide
1 Center Lane: 13' wide

Total width w/o planters and sidewalk: 83.5'
Total width w/ planters and sidewalk: 92.5'

Overall Site Conditions

- Suburban Development Pattern with access to commercial and residential properties
- Highway 20 runs parallel to Lakeview Drive (306A) and Lakeshore Boulevard (306S)
- Collision location is nearby Clear Lake, situated between multiple housing communities
 - This route provides access to multiple retail establishments like New Marina Market, Romi's BBQ, and Sam's Cafe

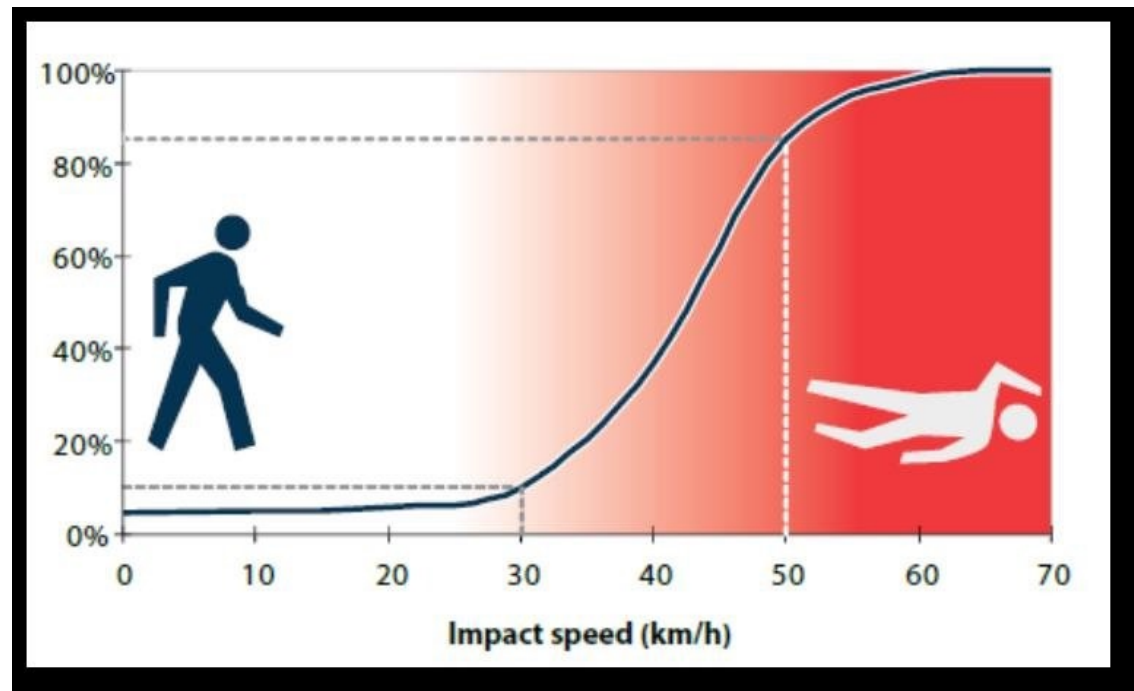


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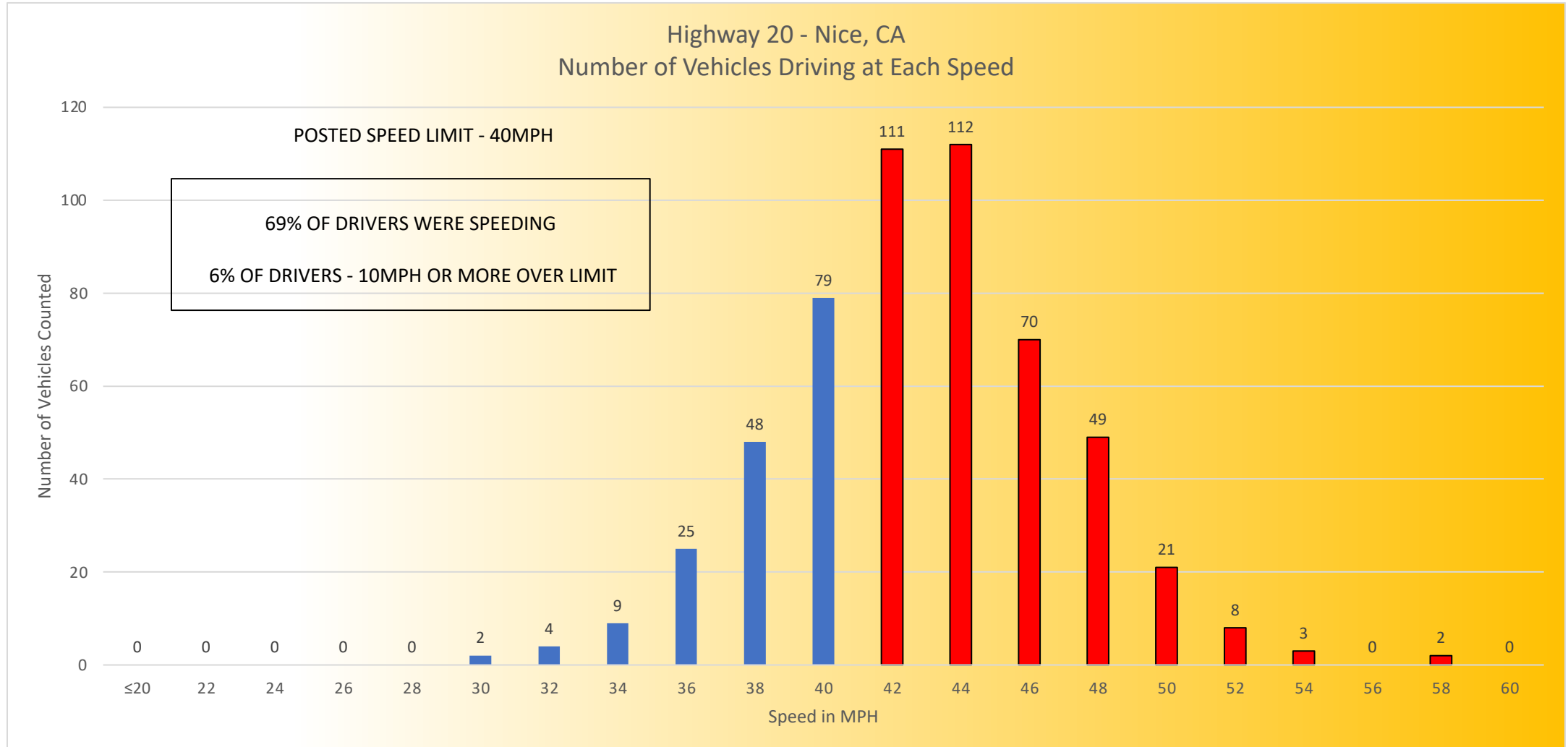
- Preliminary Speed Study indicates significant number of automobiles traveling at fatal speeds

The effects of higher speed limits on traffic fatalities in the United States, 1993–2017.

-Insurance Institute for Highway Safety



Speed Data



543 cars tracked
85th percentile speed: 48 mph

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