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Allen County Traffic Crash Summary Report







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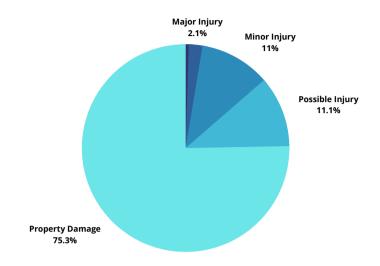
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Introduction

Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission (LACRPC) is pleased to present the 2022 Traffic Crash Summary Report for Allen County, Ohio. This report reflects motor vehicle crashes for the calendar year 2022 and intends to provide the reader with a clear summary of the year's activity. In addition, it will attempt to draw some parallels between the county's crashes and statewide trends to provide our members with sufficient information to make informed decisions regarding traffic improvements. The contents of this report represent the work of the LACRPC. The report does not represent a standard or policy of FHWA, ODOT, ODPS, or the NHTSA. Please forward any questions or concerns to the LACRPC at 130 W. North Street, Lima, Ohio 45801 (www.LACRPC.com). This report presents data across various topics, but if additional data is needed, please do not hesitate to contact LACRPC's office directly at (419) 228-1836.

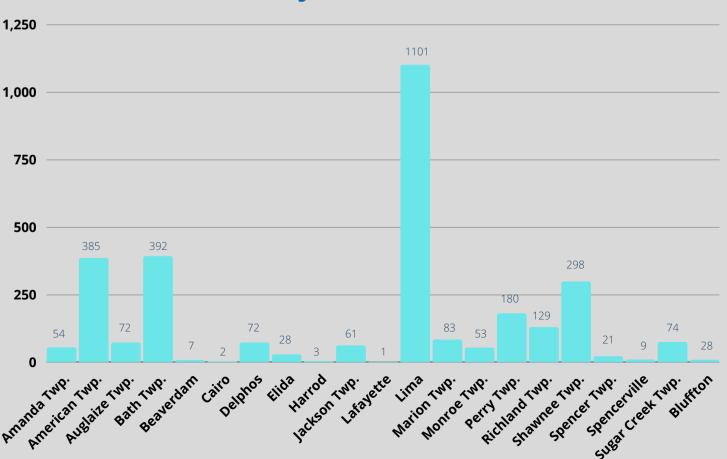


2022 Crash Severity



*Unlabeled wedge represents fatal crashes at 0.49% or 15 crashes

Crashes by Political Subdivision



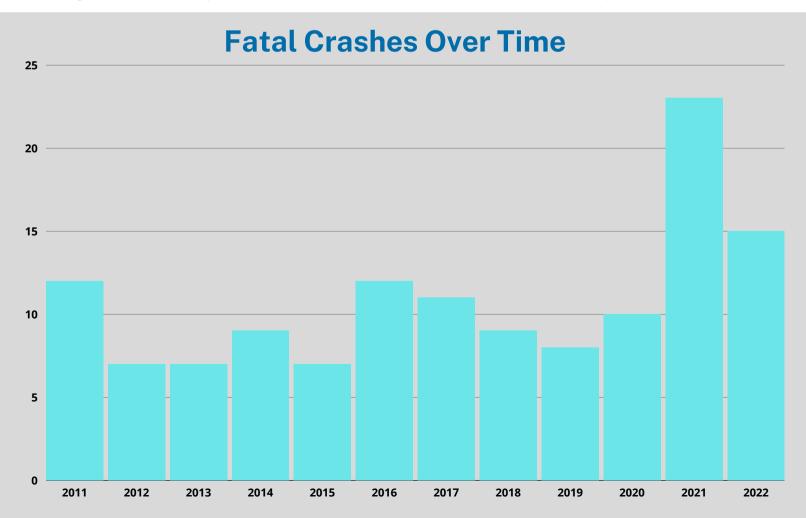


2022 Traffic Crash Overview

A total of 3,053 crashes occurred within LACRPC's planning area in 2022. All crashes provided within the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) GIS Crash Analysis Tool (GCATS) system were included in this report. There were 15 fatal crashes, 739 involving injuries of varying degrees, and 2,299 involving only property damage (see attached statistical sheets). Regarding personal costs, 15 individuals were killed and 1,071 injured in crashes in 2022.

Regarding the total number of traffic crashes, 2022 aligned very closely with the 5 year rolling average (3,053 vs. 3,069). LACRPC's planning area also saw a dramatic decline in fatal crashes as compared to 2021 (15 vs. 23), 34.8%. While from a historical perspective 15 is far more in line with the long term average of 11, the fatal crashes are still showing a rising trend aver the past few years. Allen County has historically enjoyed a relatively low fatal crash rate, and while this year shows a significant correction from the spike in 2021, the consistent rising fatal crashes will need to be studied further.

Allen County also continues to battle impaired driving. In 2022, 4.6% of all crashes involved drugs or alcohol, while 4.7% were attributed to distracted driving. Additionally, there were 36 crashes involving pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized vehicles, two of which proved fatal.



Number Occurred Performance Measure Goal Total Fatalities - 12 15 **Total Serious Injuries - 82** 83 Fatal Rate - 0.92/100 MVM 1.15/100 MVM 3 Serious Injury Rate -6.36/100 MVM 4 6.29/100 MVM Ped/Non-Motorized

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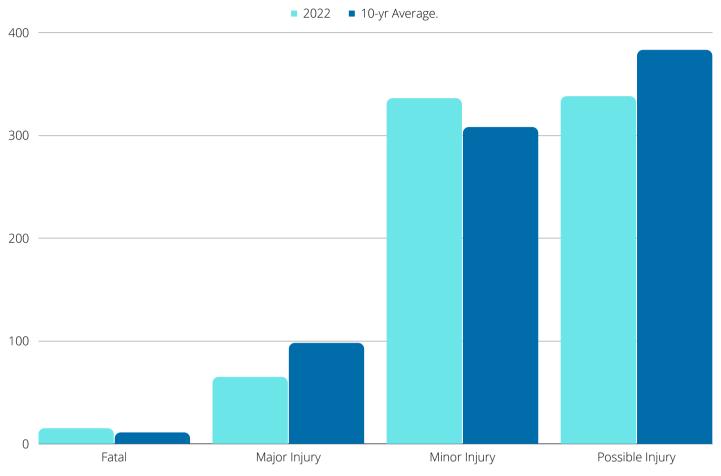
The goal of this report is to improve roadway safety in Allen County. A set of quantitative measurements must be established as a baseline comparison for past and future data to achieve these goals. The FAST Act, established under the Obama Administration, establishes these goals as performance measures. Per the FAST Act standards and concurrence of statewide goals set by ODOT, this MPO committed to a goal of a 2% reduction in CY 2022, using a 5-year rolling average (2017-2021) as a baseline in all five (5) safety metrics. These metrics include the total number of fatalities, the fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles (MVM), the total number of serious injuries, serious injuries per 100 MVM, and non-motorized Fatalities and/or serious injuries. The MPO uses these performance measures to prioritize future improvements and make recommendations to governmental bodies. Please note that other performance measures were established by the FAST Act but are not applicable under the scope of this report.

Fatal/Serious Injuries - 9

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2022 Crash Severity Vs. 10-Yr. Average





*Not Pictured is Property Damage Only Crashes. 2022 total is 2299 crashes while the 10-yr rolling average is 2357 crashes.

Historical Crash Comparison

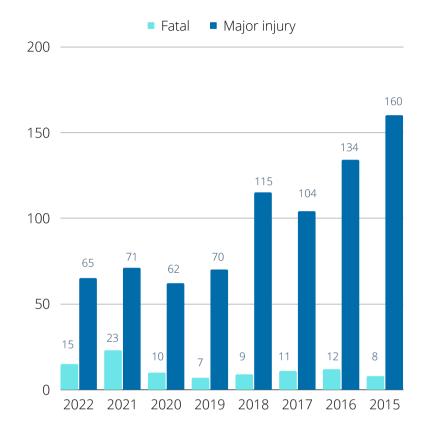
The City of Lima had the highest crash total with 1,101 crashes in 2022, followed by American Township with 385 crashes. However, the individual entity totals decreased from there. As is the case most years, the overwhelming majority of crashes occur during the day (60.43%) on dry roads (64.46%) between the hours of 2:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. The same applies to the crash month, the highest being November (10.4%). The lowest being August and April (7.1%).

While the single-year crash totals were lower than in 2021, the data becomes much more average when comparing the 2022 totals to the 10-year rolling average. When using the broader lens of time, the 2022 totals are either lower or compairable to the 10-year rolling averages.

Historical Crash Comparison

This demonstrates that while it is to possible see year-to-year fluctuations, long-term change is only visible through running averages and historical Using this metric. comparisons. 2022 was essentially a success in regards to traffic safetv improvements, total accidents are below the 10-year average (3,158 and 3,053, respectively). This trend remains consistent relative to the Equivalent Property Damage Only Index (EDPO), a metric measuring the severity of traffic crashes (2.95 vs. 3.22). Considering those facts, we can confidently say that 2022 had fewer traffic crashes and fewer severe incidents than usual.





- Crashes up 2.1% from 2021
- 2022 total actually lower than the 10 year rolling average (3053 vs. 3158)
- Fatal crashes down 34.8% from 2021

To reiterate, while it can be observed that a significant drop in fatalities has occurred within the last calendar year, the fatal crashes are still trending upwards as compared to the long term rolling average. These stats hold true of Ohio as a whole as well. While this agency cannot offer a concrete explanation as to why fatal crashes are experiencing an increase it can be observed that Allen county is on track for less fatal incidences this year, as of the writing of this report (August 2023). This agency is hopeful this marks a return to the long term falling trend line that had become the norm for so many years. Lastly, there is some continuing internal debate on what constitutes a traffic fatality. This agency defers to ODOT for the sake of consistency.

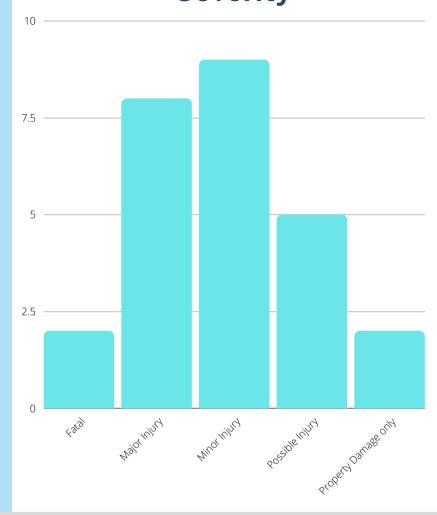
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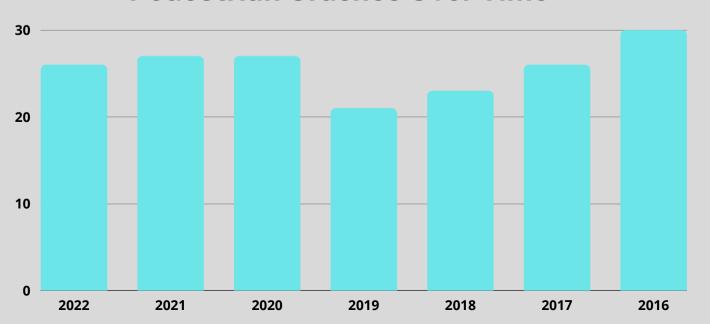
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- Ft. Amanda and Shawnee
- Cable and Elida
- Jameson and Market
- Metcalf and North
- **"5 Points"
- Eastown and Elida
- Cable and Latham
- Jameson and Wayne
- Main and Market
- Jameson and North
- Allentown and Eastown
- Eastown and Elm

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2022 Pedestrian Crash Severity



Pedestrian Crashes Over Time



^{*}Based on a last 3 years of data.

^{**&}quot;5 points" refers to the area where Leonard Ave., Harding highway, Bellefontaine Ave., Kibby St., and I-75 meet.

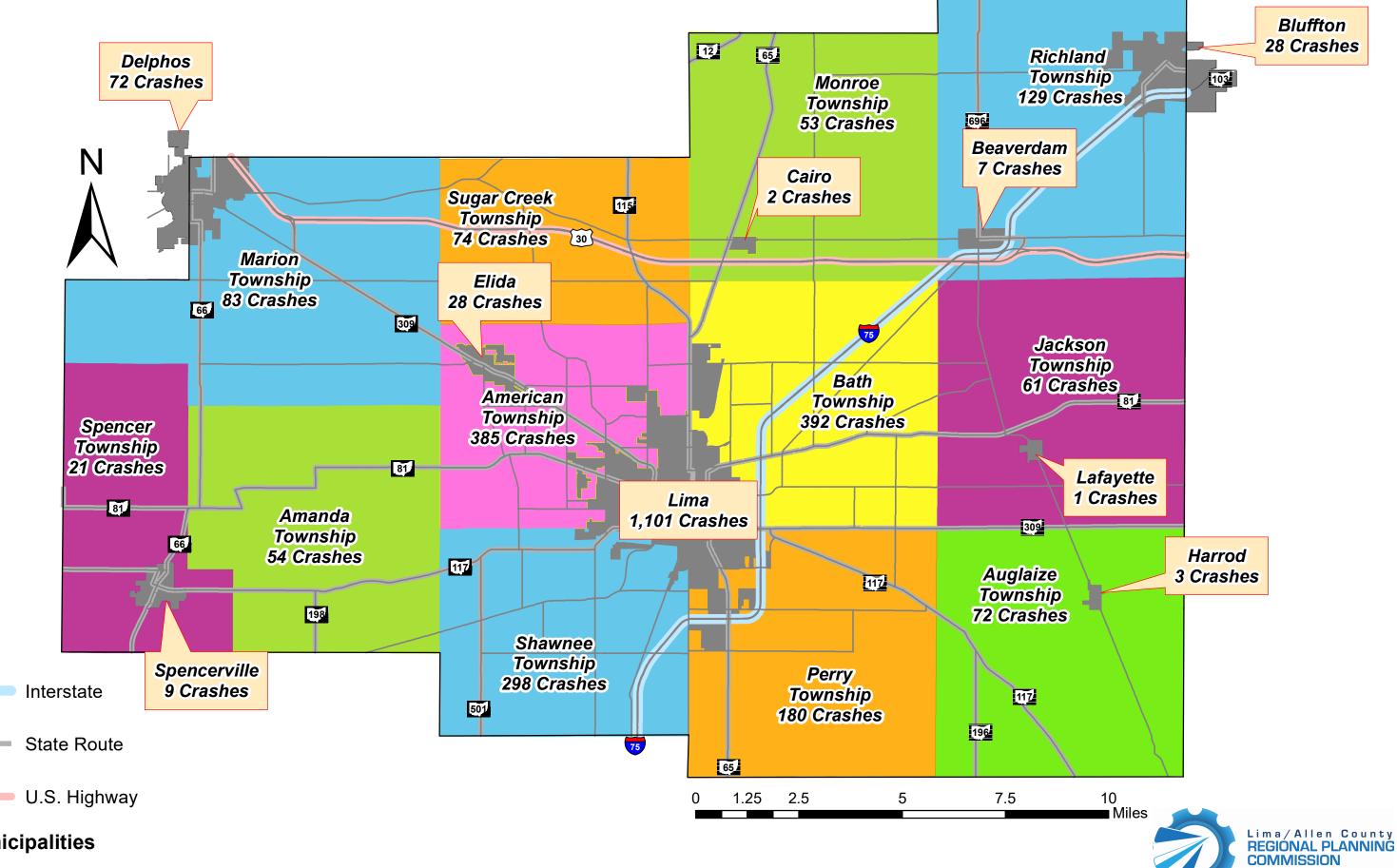


2022 Crash Maps

2022 Crashes by Political Subdivision				
2020-2022 High Crash Intersections	Ш			
Amanda Township Crashes	Ш			
American Township Crashes	IV			
Auglaize Township Crashes	V			
Bath Township Crashes	VI			
Bath Township Crashes Beaverdam Crashes	VII			
Bluffton Crashes	VIII			
Cairo Crashes	IX			
Bluffton Crashes Cairo Crashes Delphos Crashes	Χ			
Elida Crashes	ΧI			
Harrod Crashes	XII			
Jackson Township Crashes	XIII			
Lafayette Crashes Lima Crashes	XIV			
Lima Crashes	XV			
Marion Township Crashes	XVI			
Monroe Township Crashes	XVII			
Monroe Township Crashes Perry Township Crashes	XVIII			
Richland Township Crashes	XIX			
Shawnee Township Crashes	XX			
Spencer Township Crashes	XXI			
Spencerville Crashes	XXII			
Sugar Creek Township Crashes	XXIII			



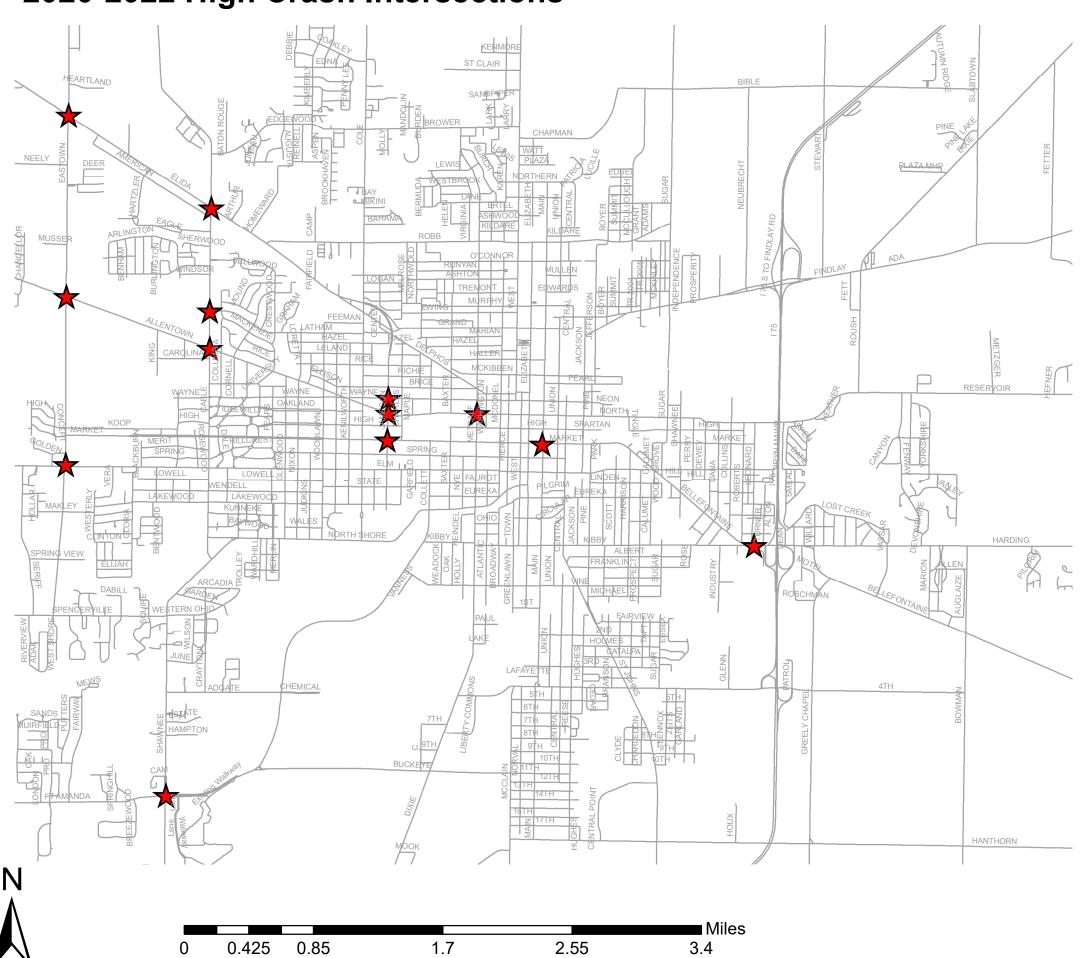
2022 Crashes by Political Subdivision



Municipalities

2020-2022 High Crash Intersections



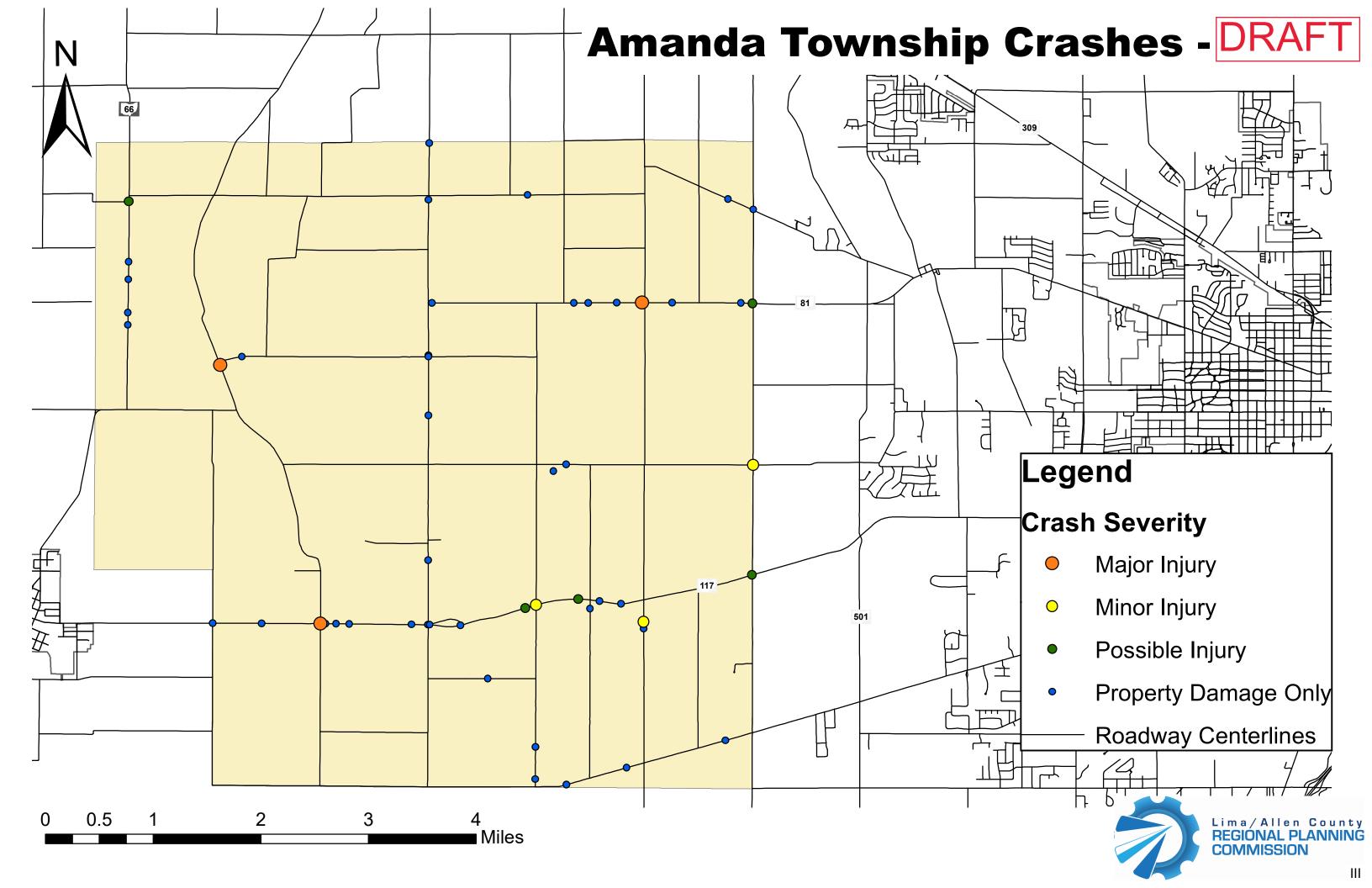


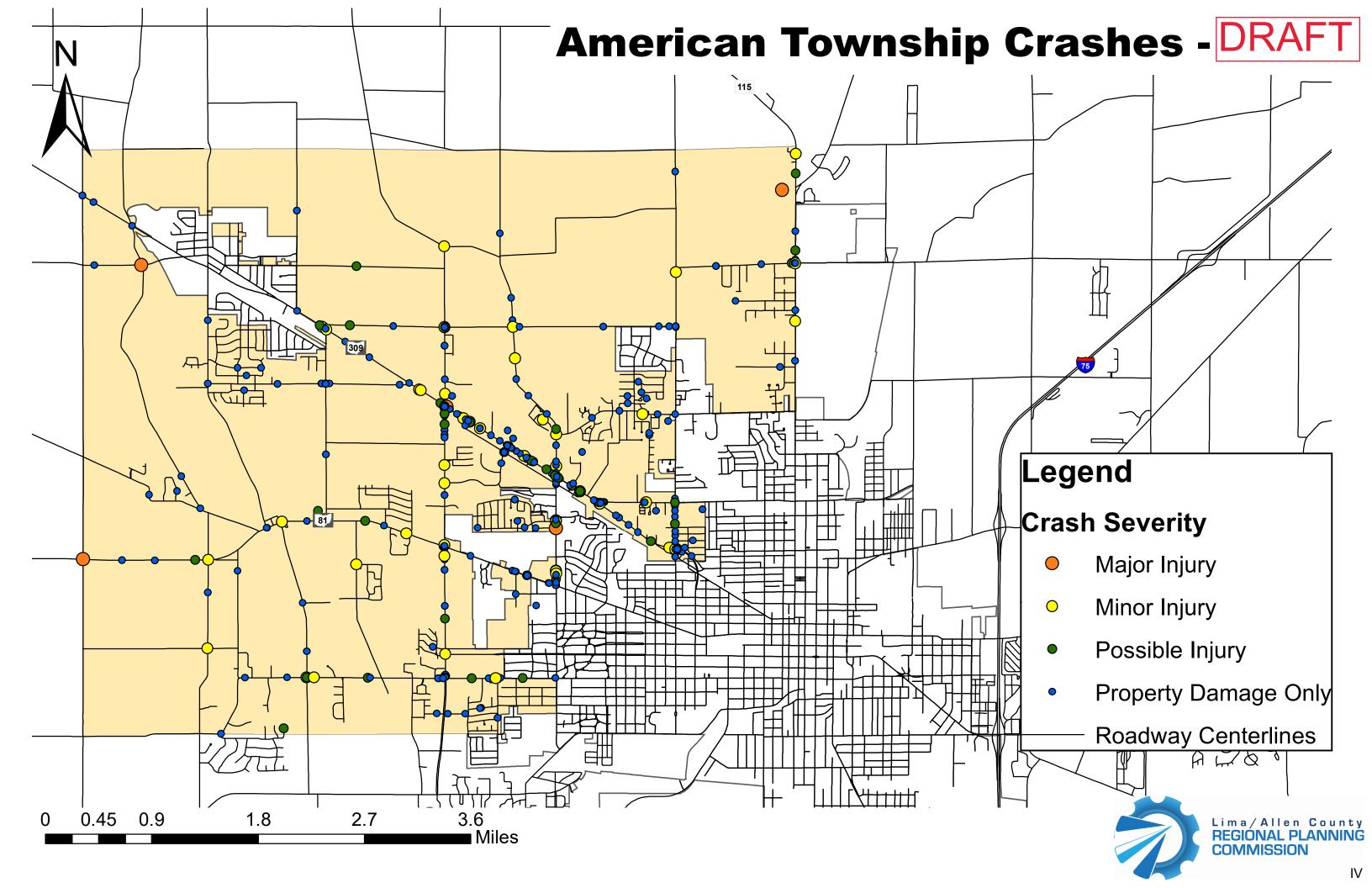


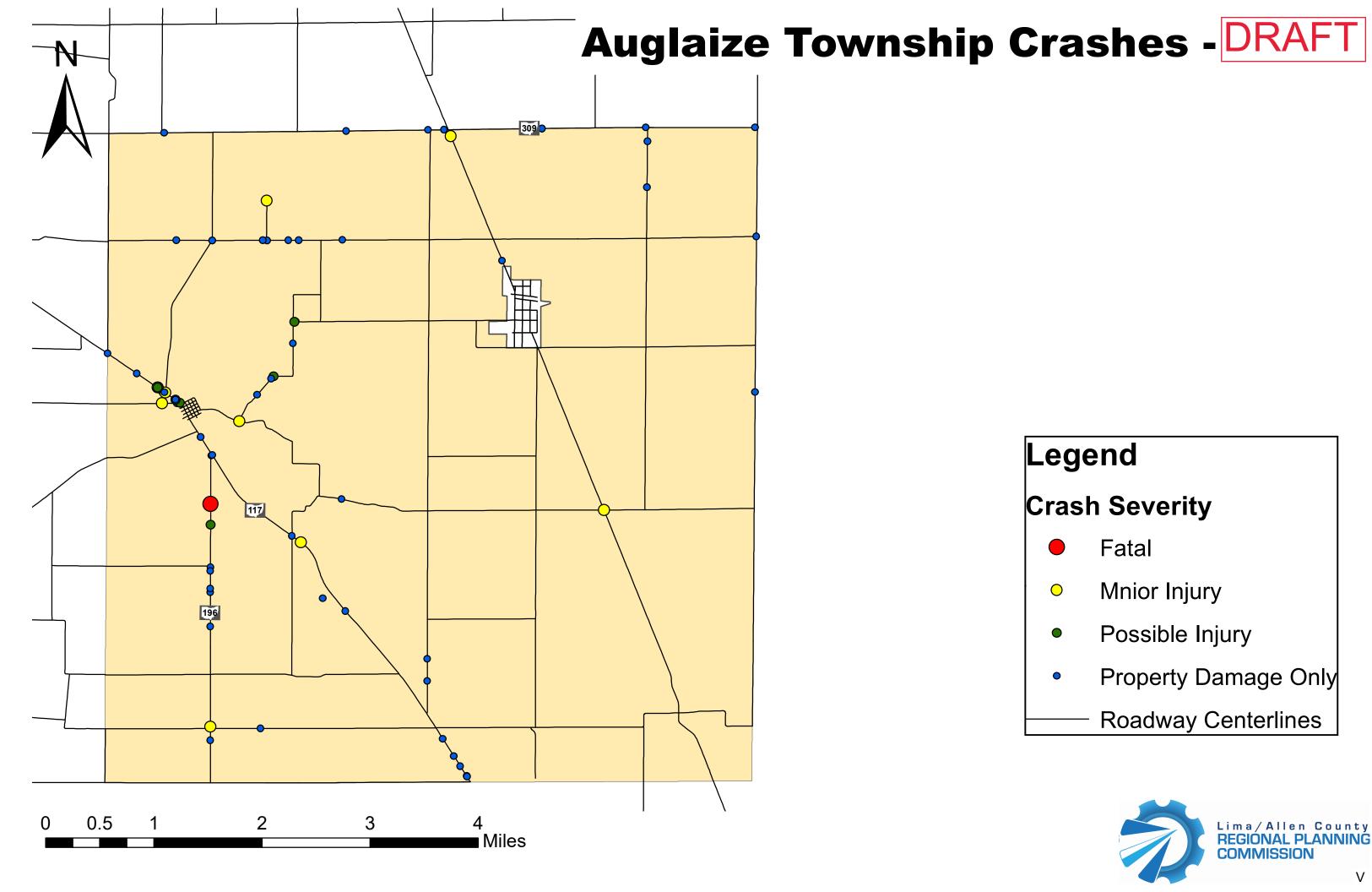
High Crash Intersections 2020-2022

Rank	Intersection	Crash Count
1	Allentown and Cable	78
2	Ft. Amanda and Shawnee	51
3	Cable and Elida	50
4	Jameson and Market	45
5	Metcalf and North	41
6/7	"Five Points"	39
6/7	Eastown and Elida	39
8	Cable and Latham	37
9/10	Jameson and Wayne	36
9/10	Main and Market	36
11	Jameson and North	31
12	Eastown and Allentown	24
13	Eastown and Elm	23









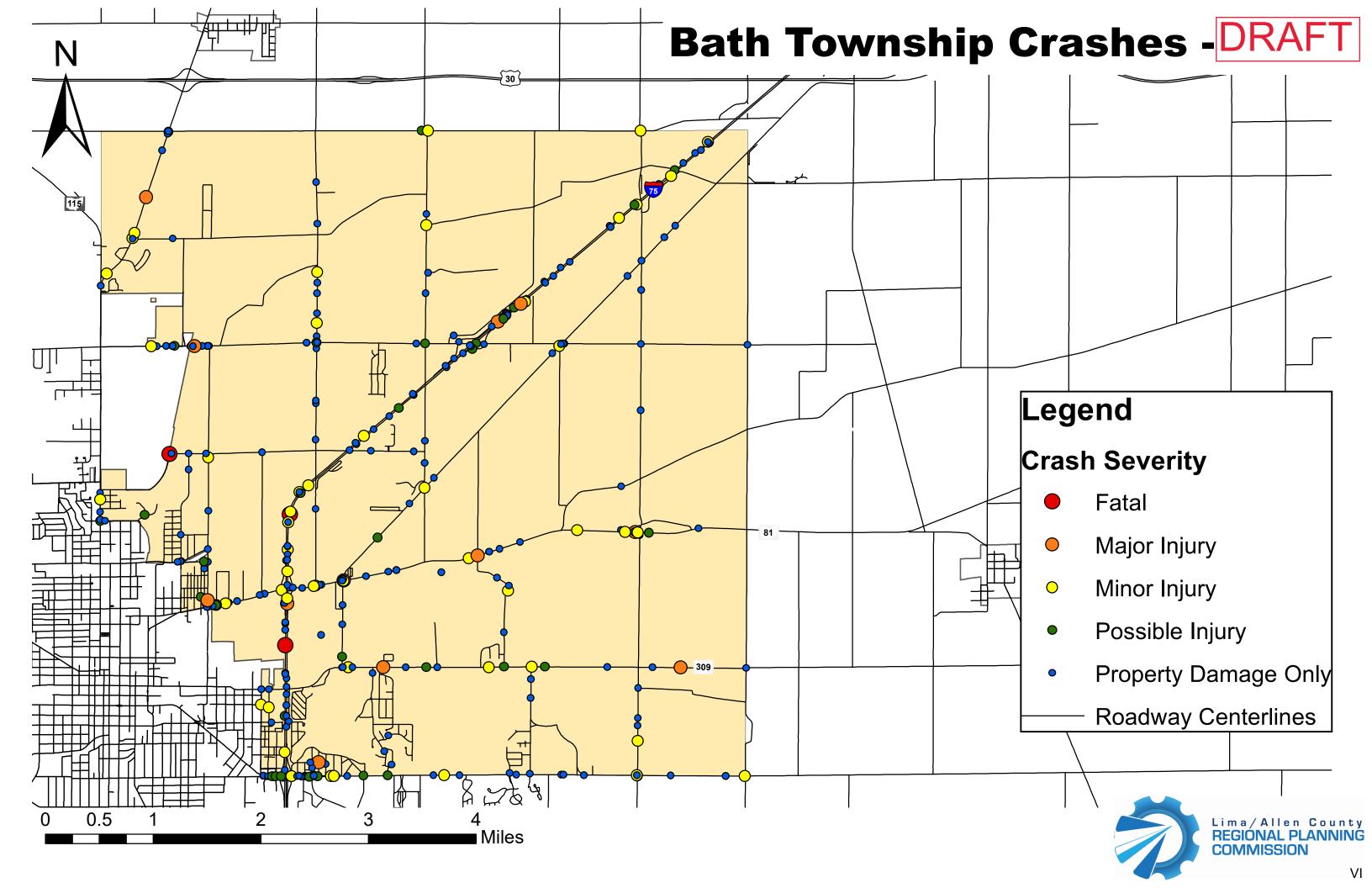
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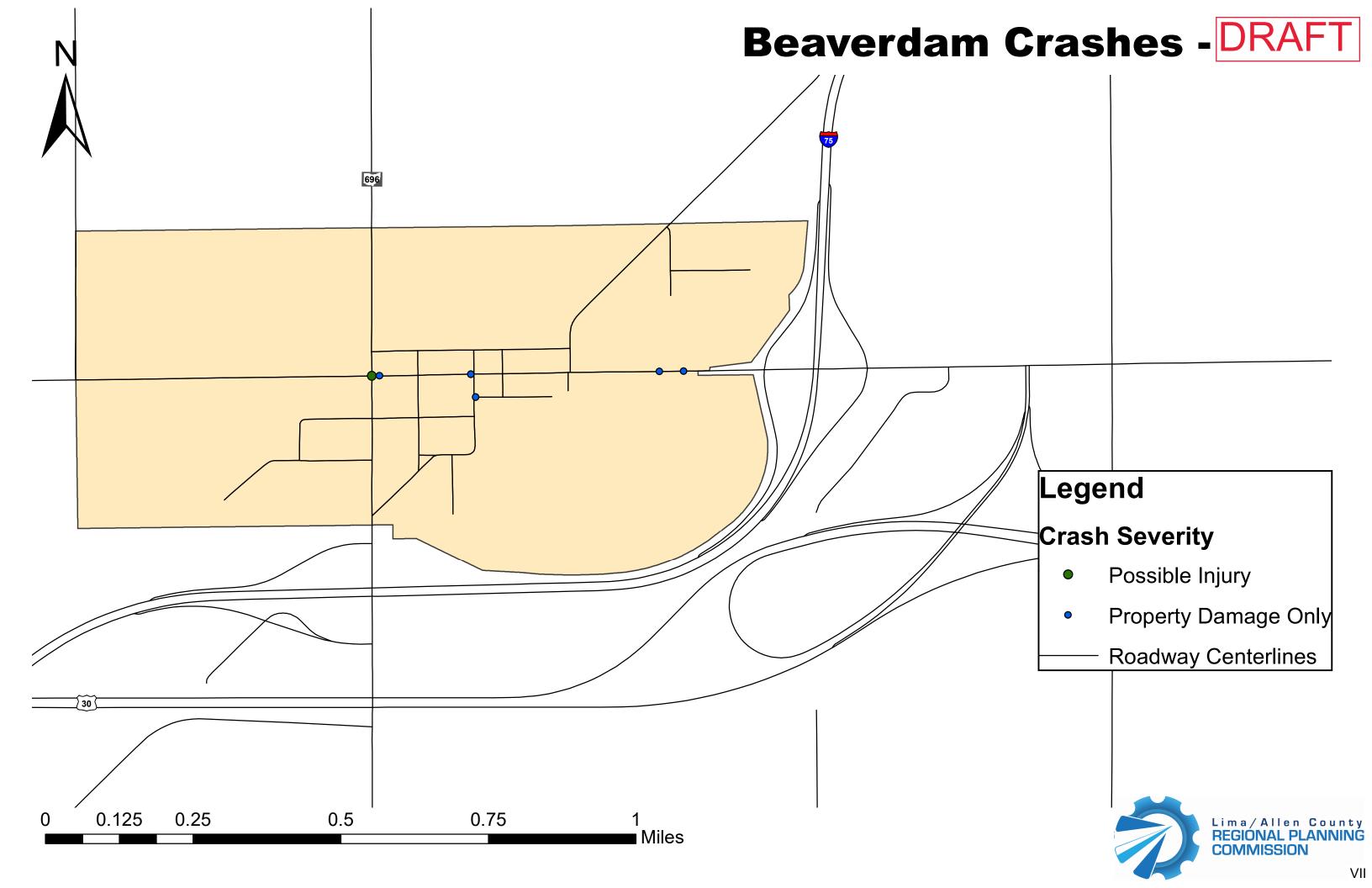
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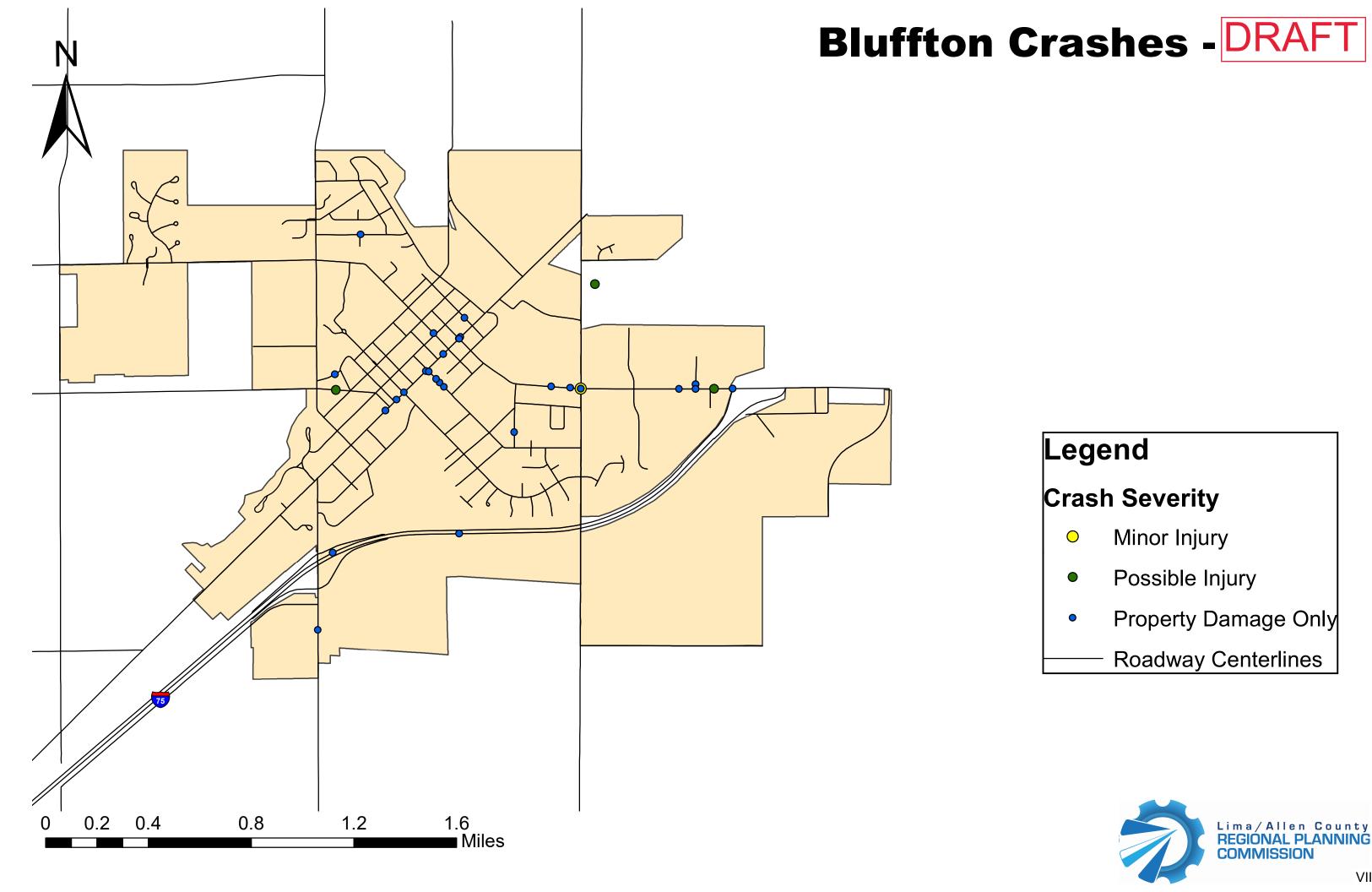
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- **Mnior Injury**
- Possible Injury
- **Property Damage Only**

Roadway Centerlines







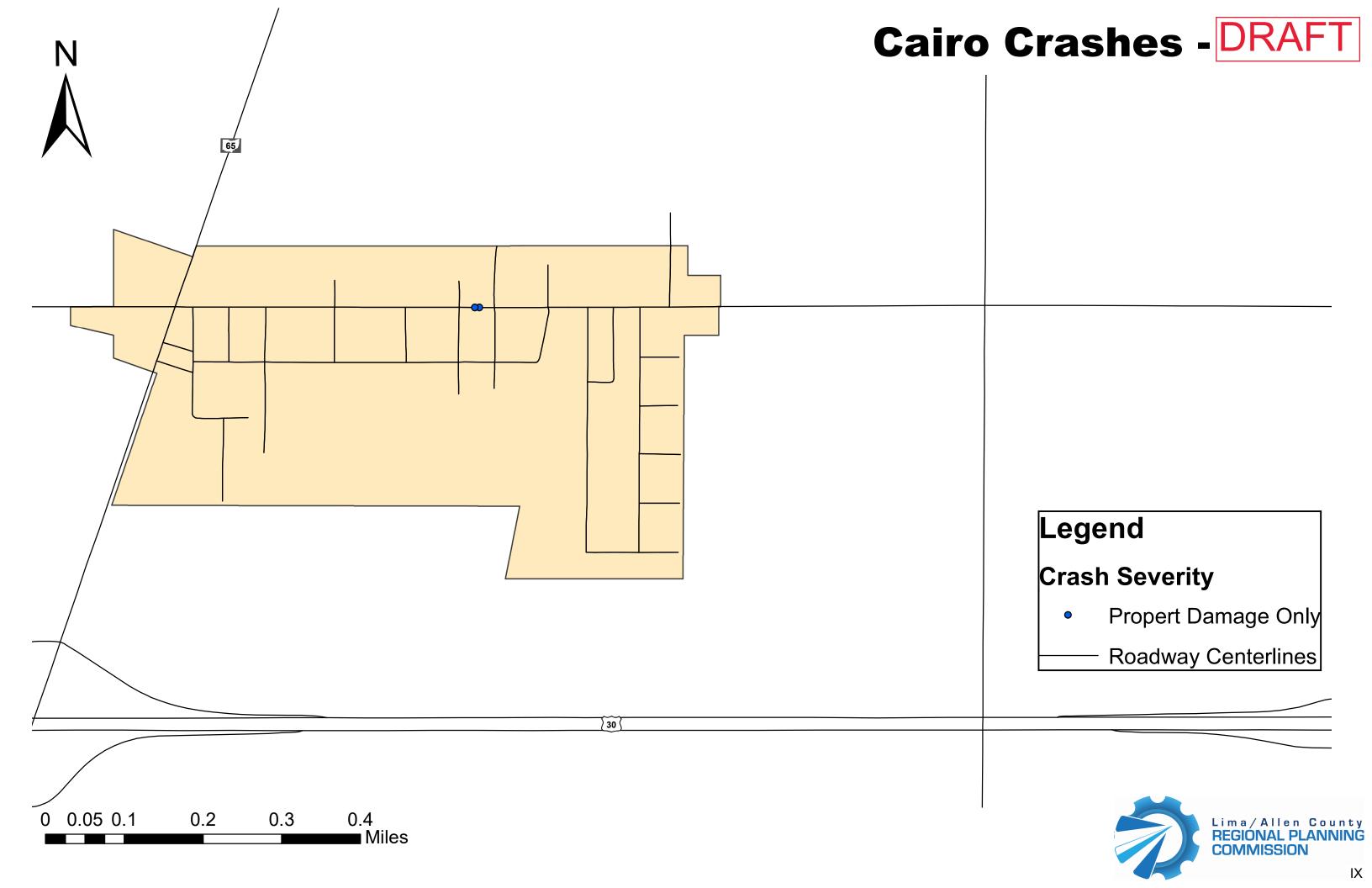


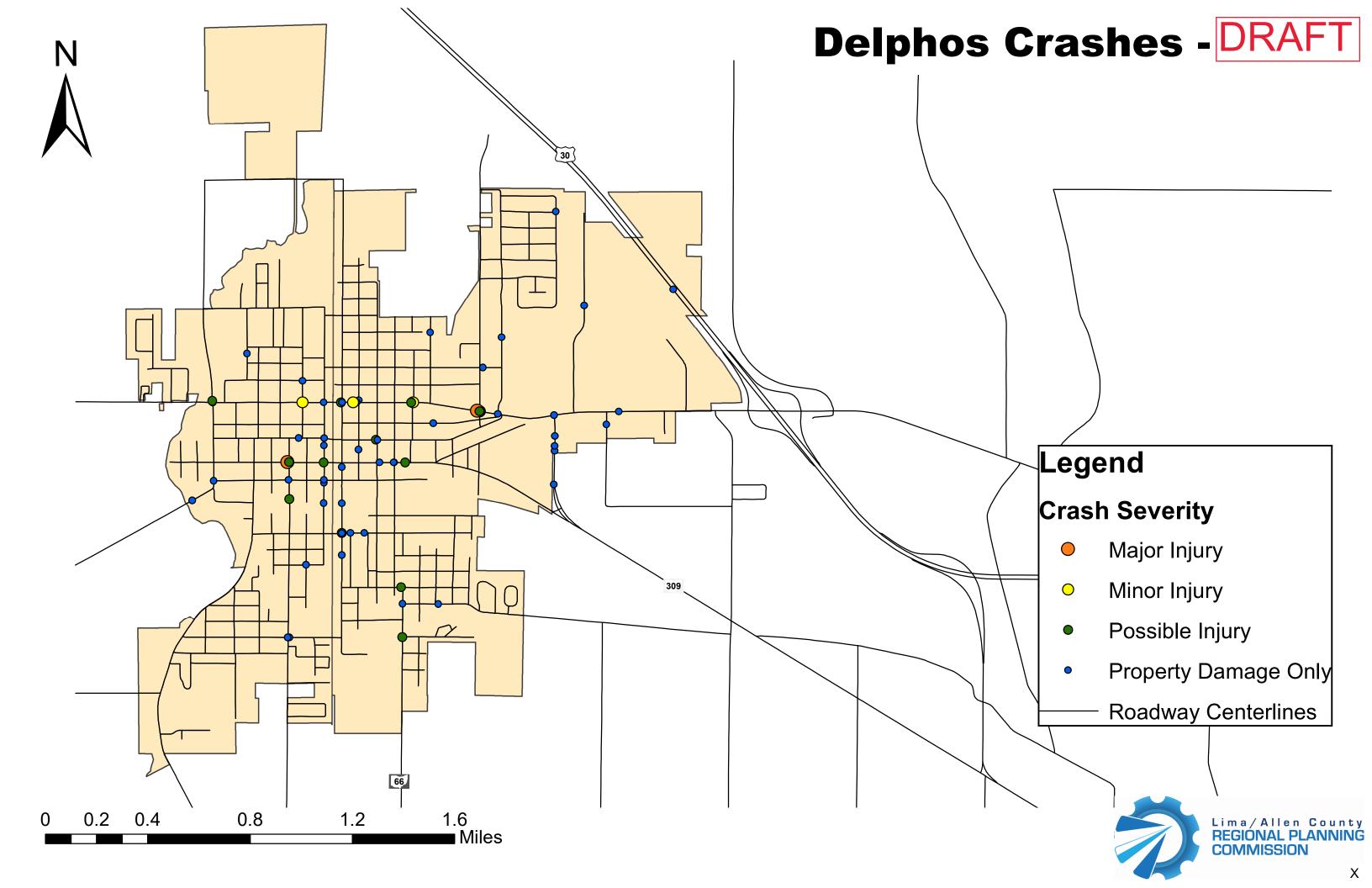
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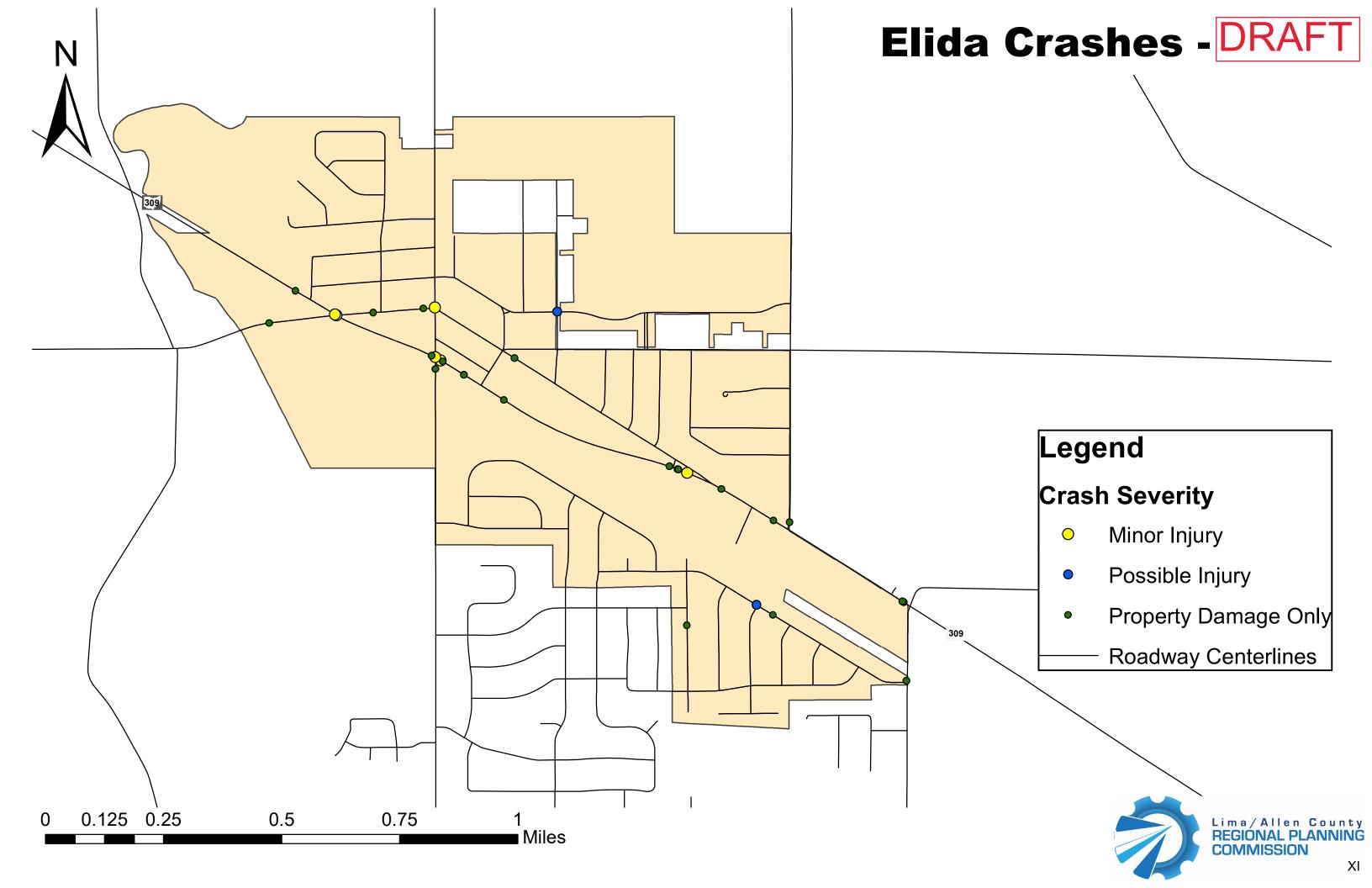
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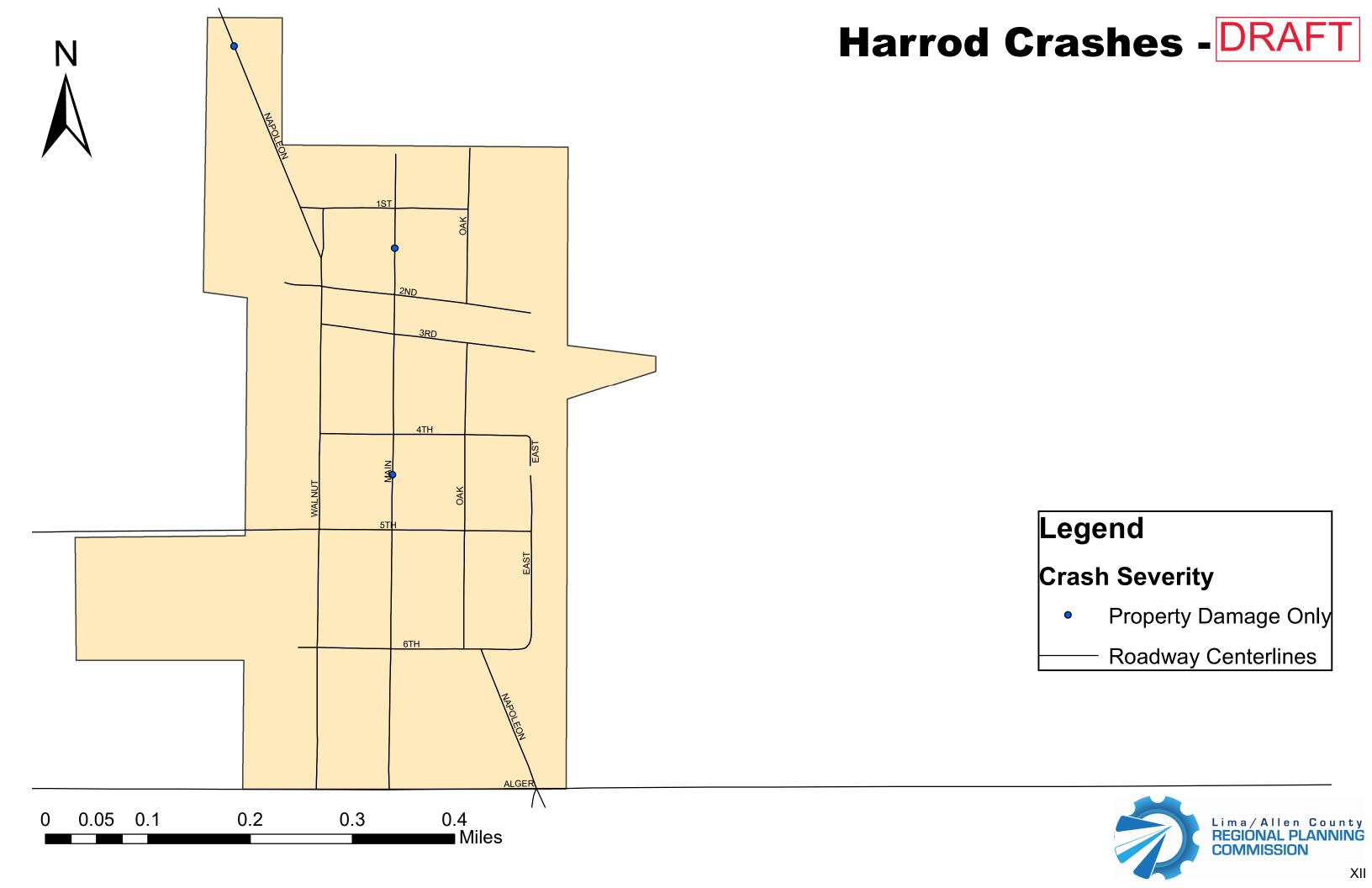
- Minor Injury
- Possible Injury
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 - Roadway Centerlines

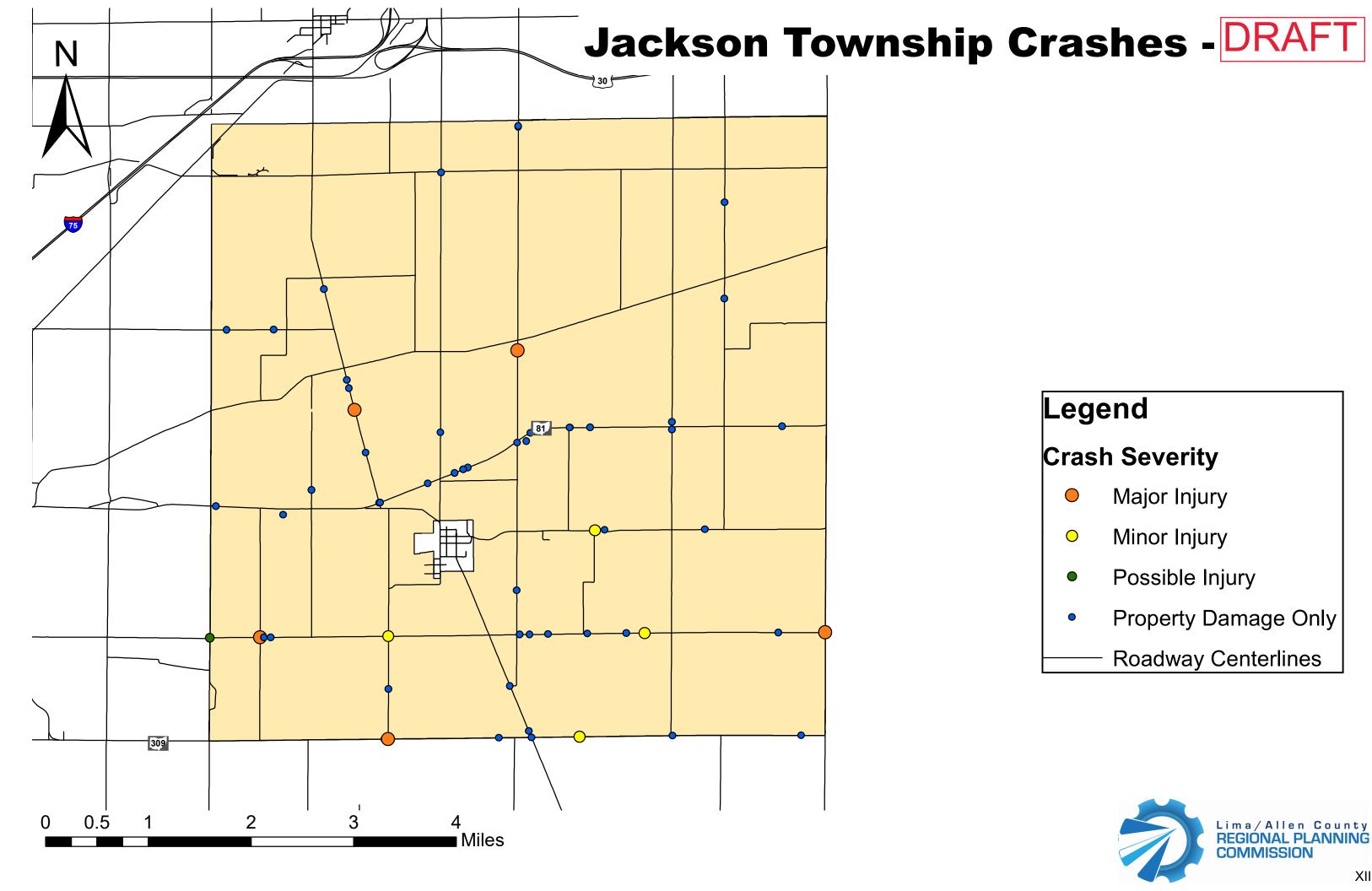












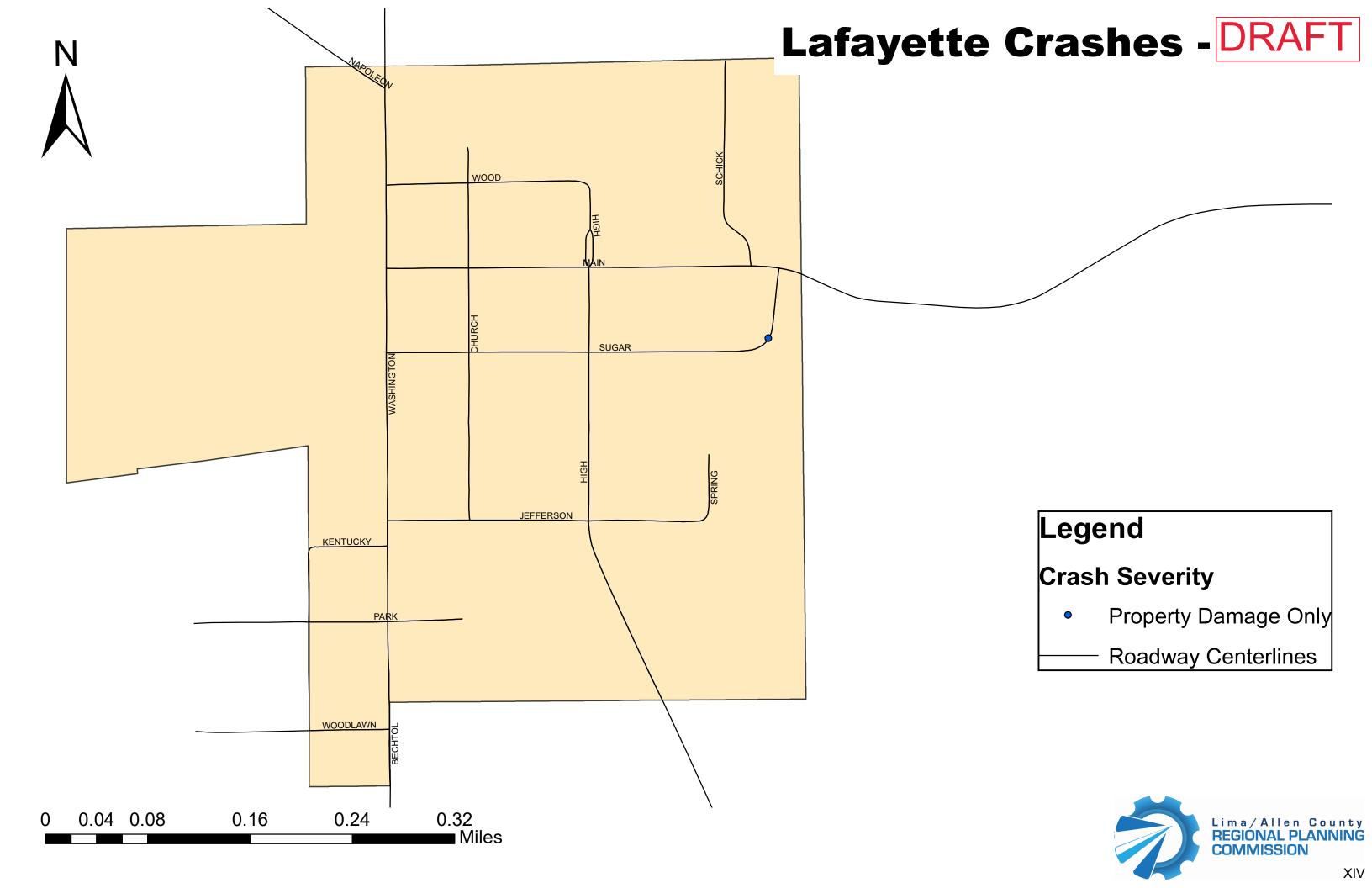
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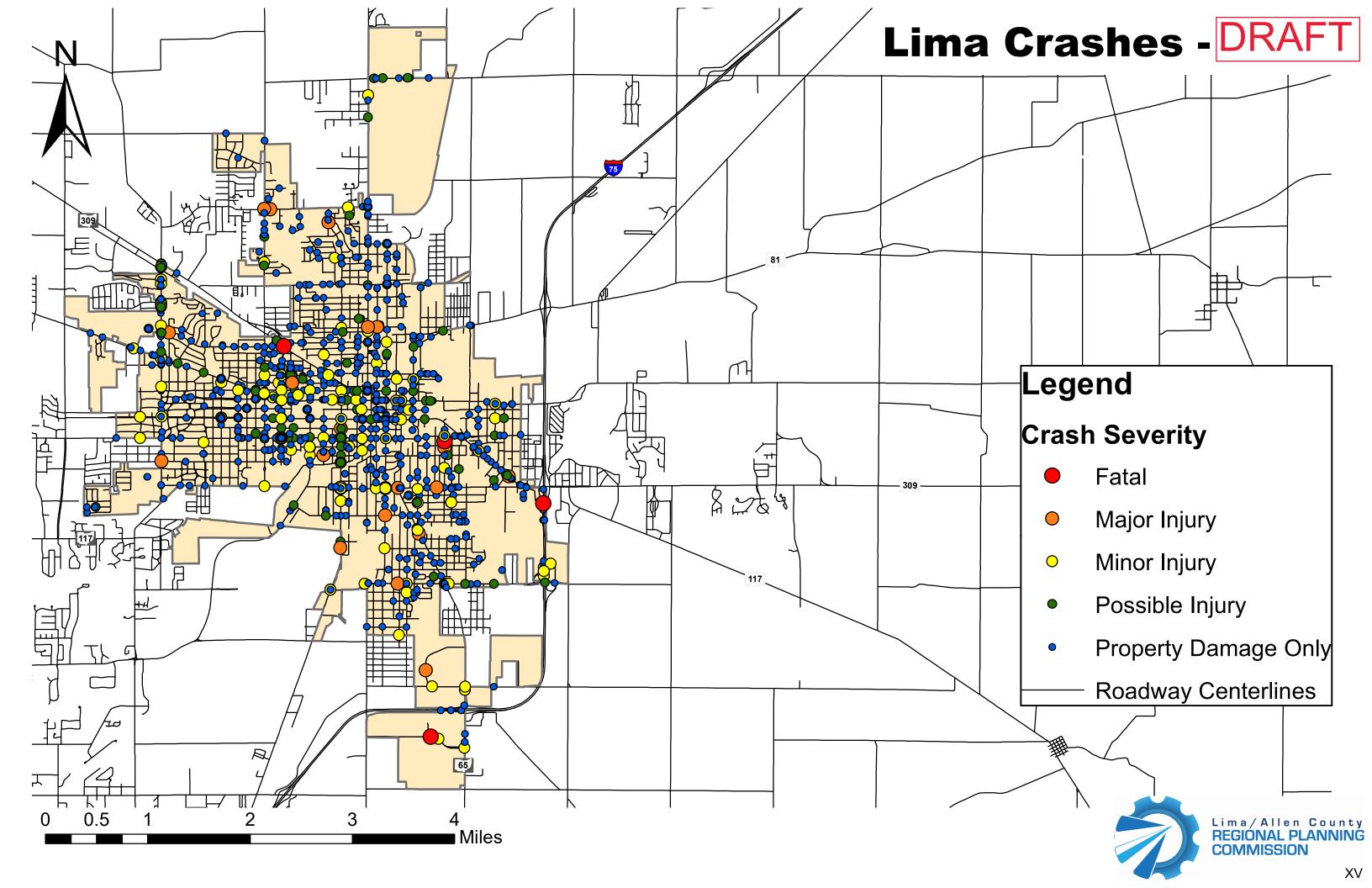
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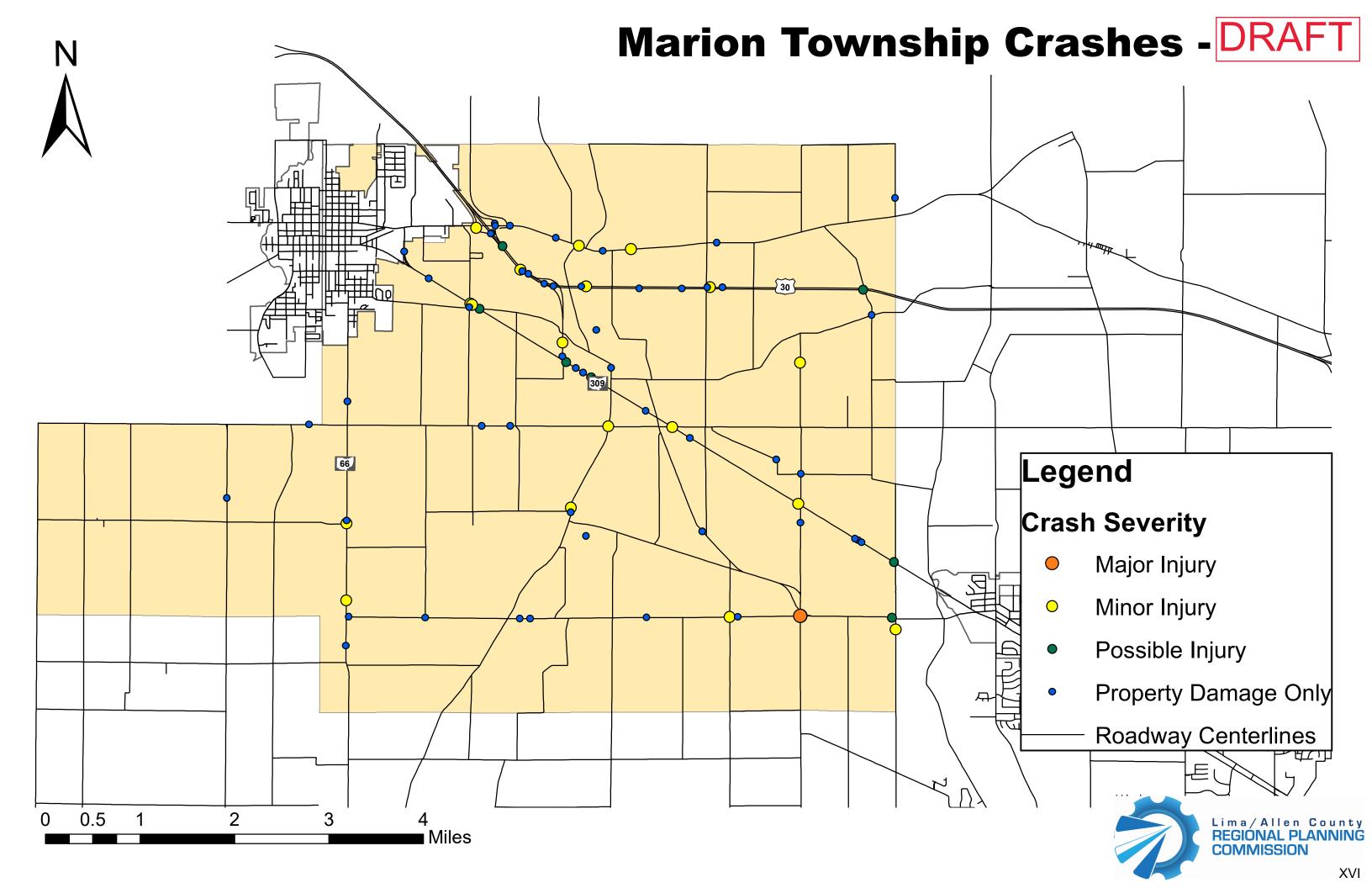
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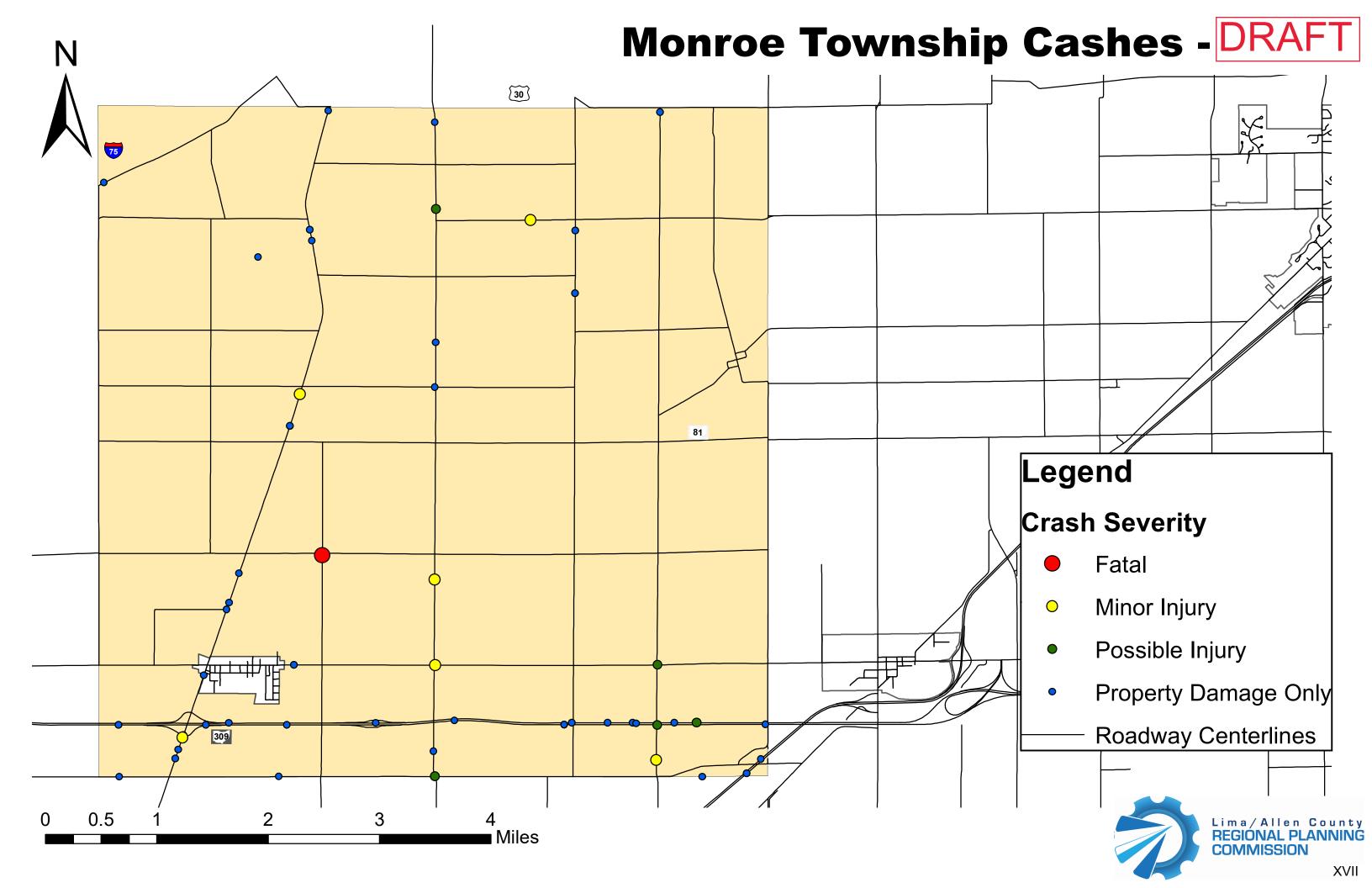
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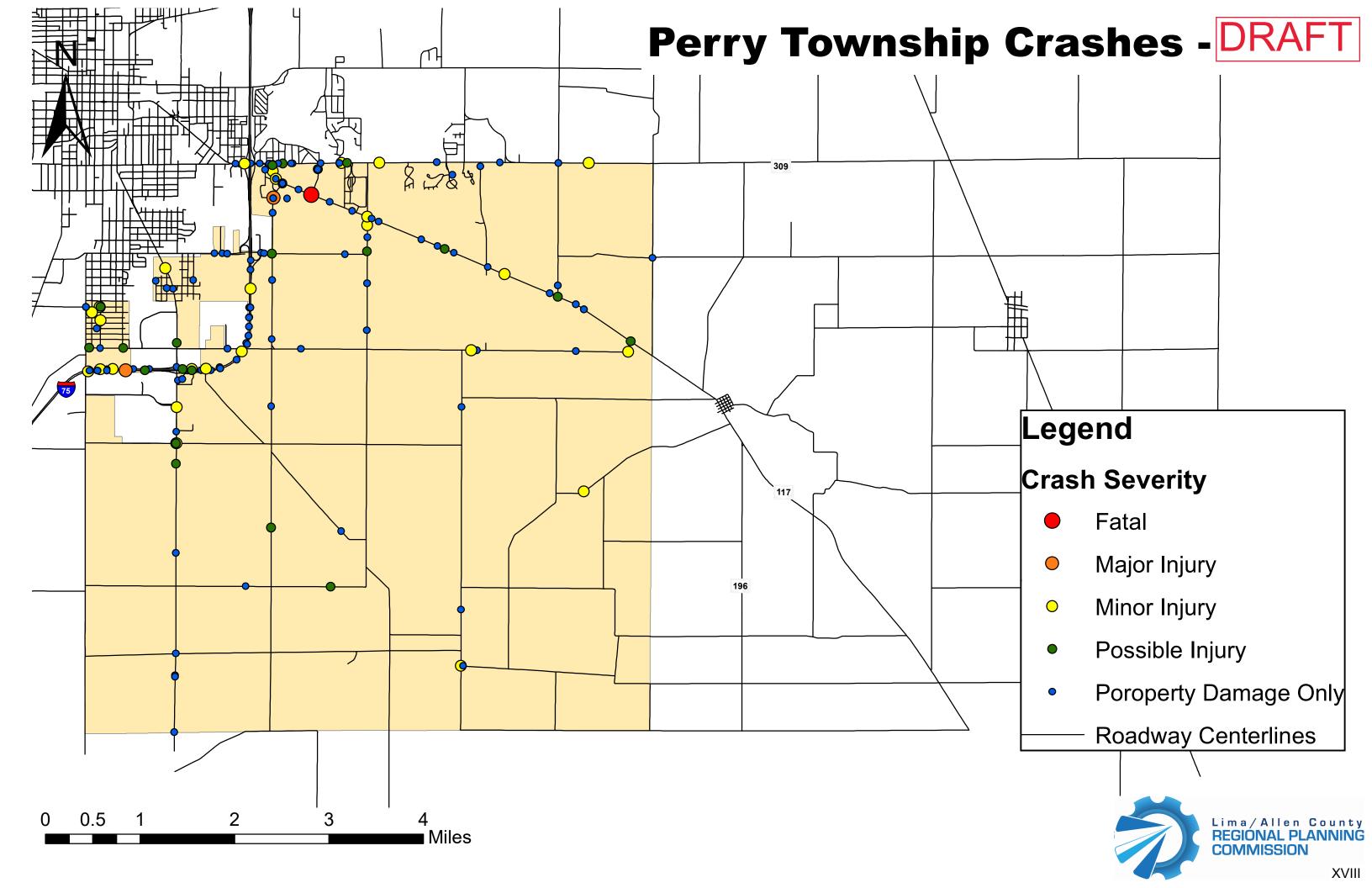






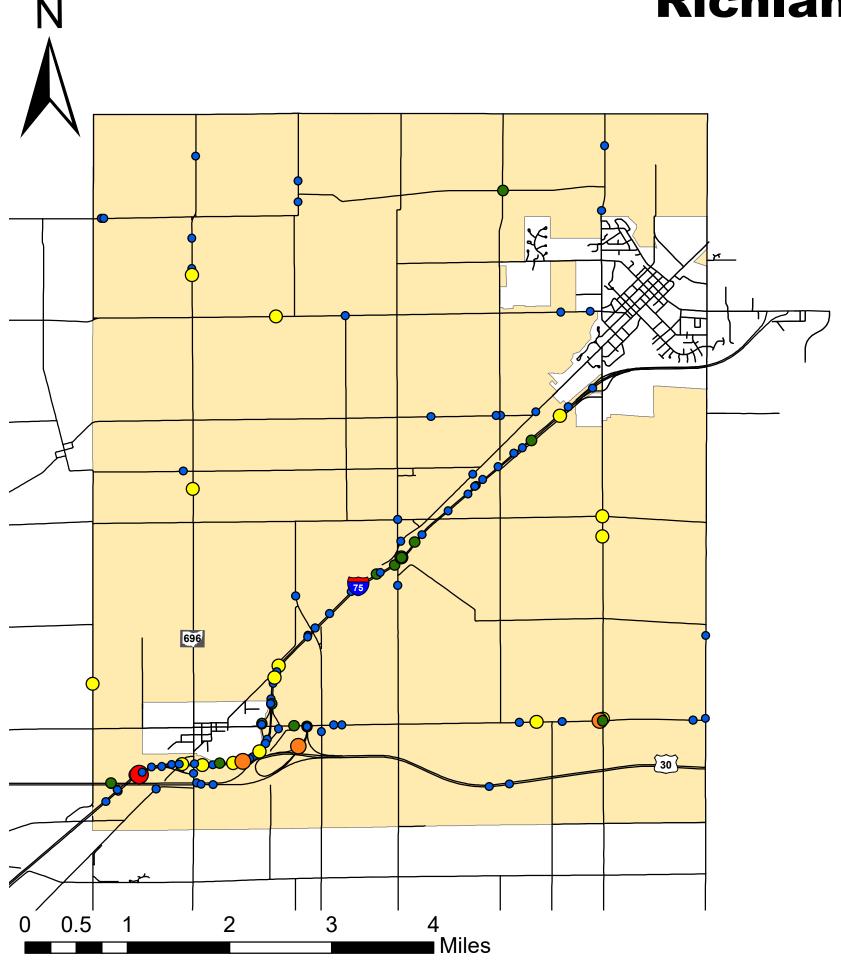






Richland Township Crashes - DRAFT





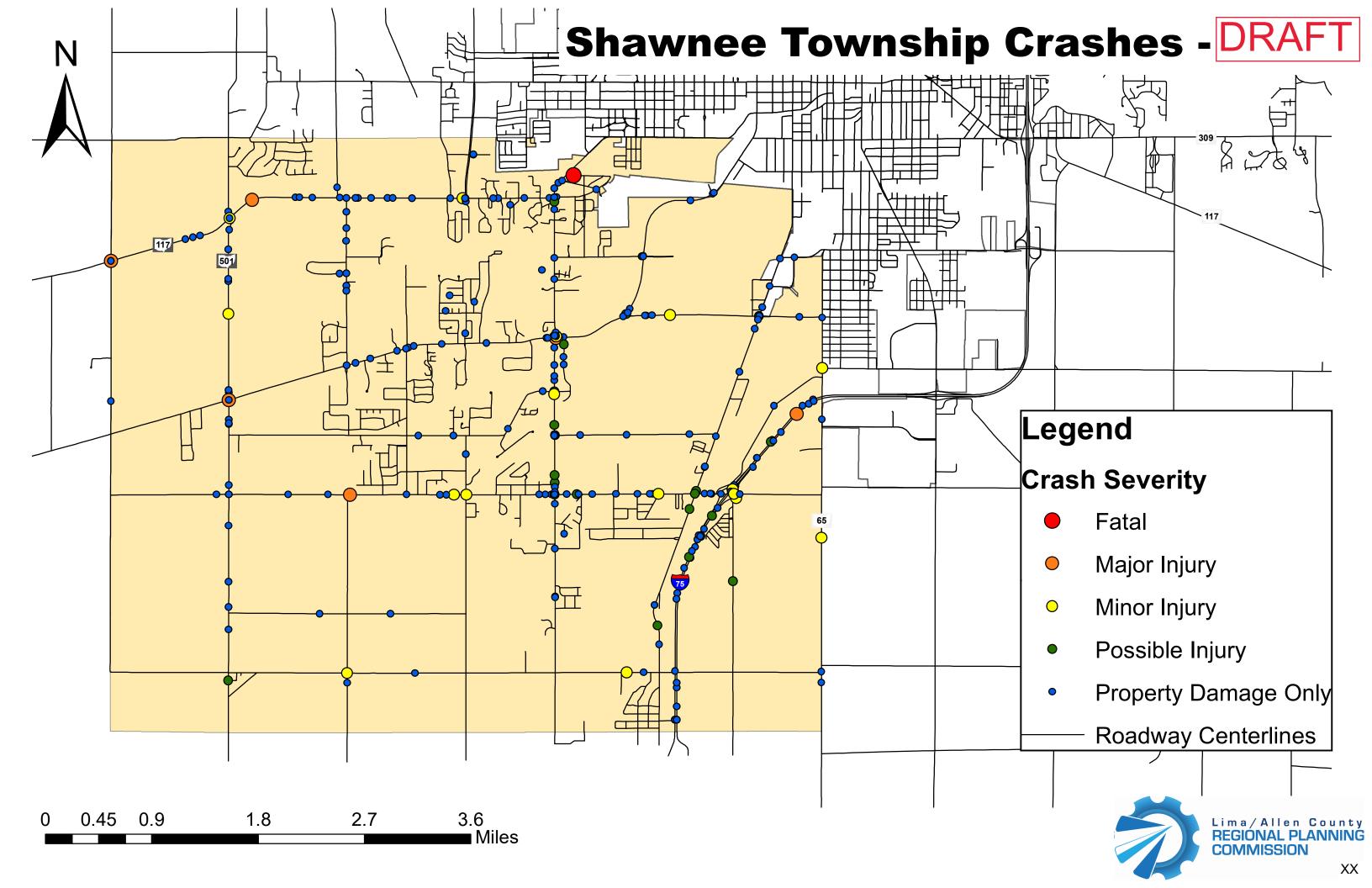
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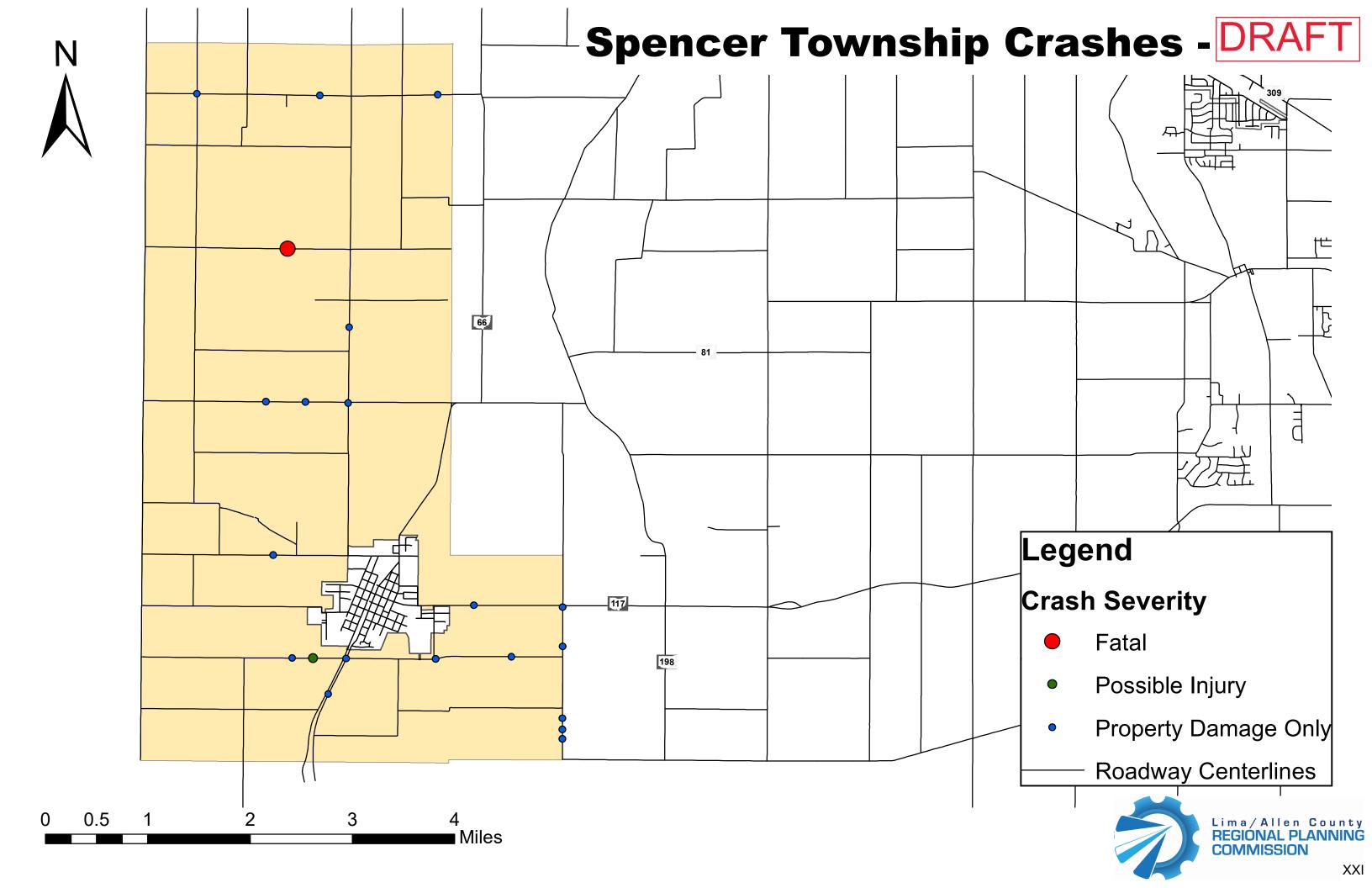
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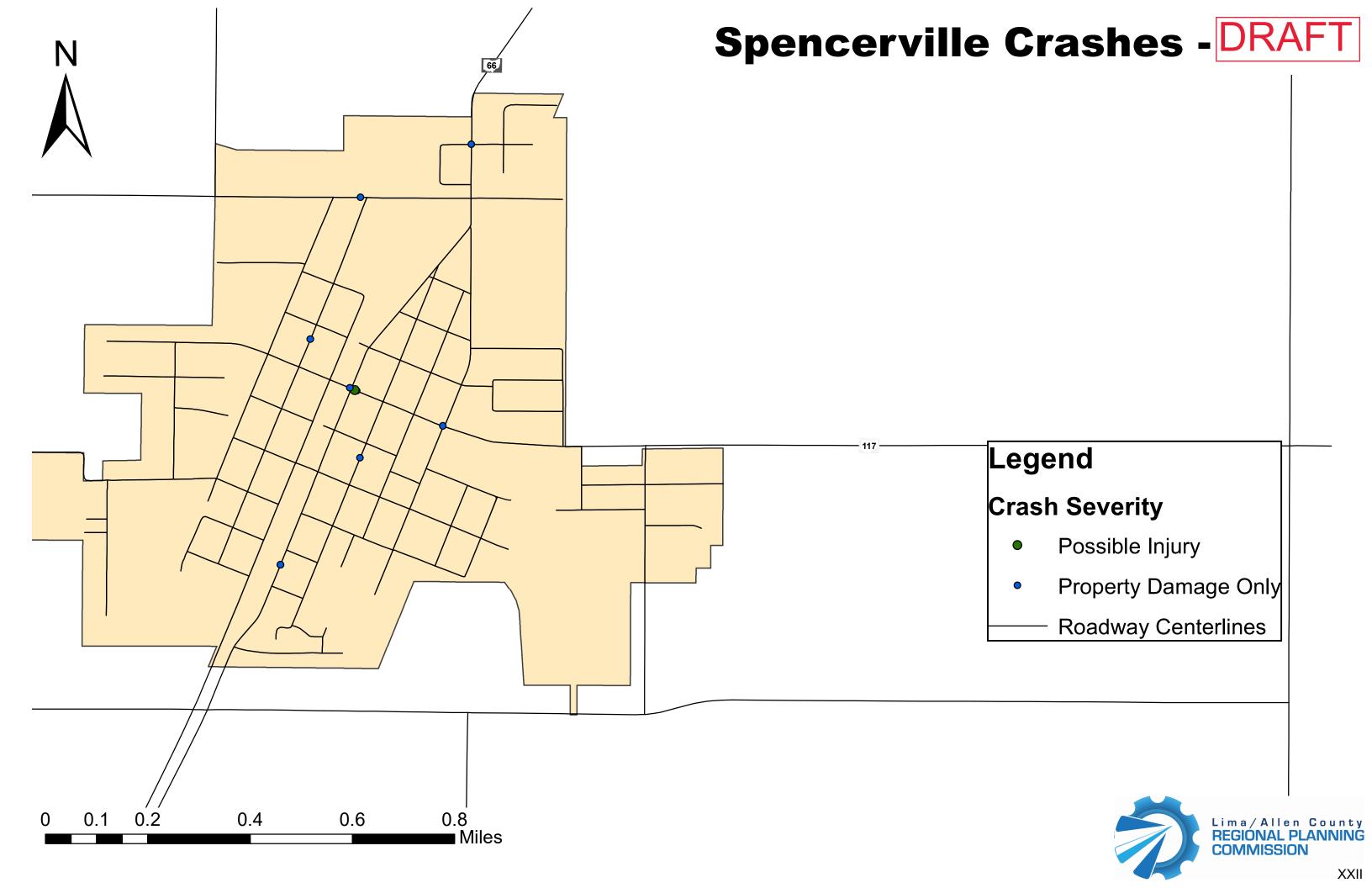
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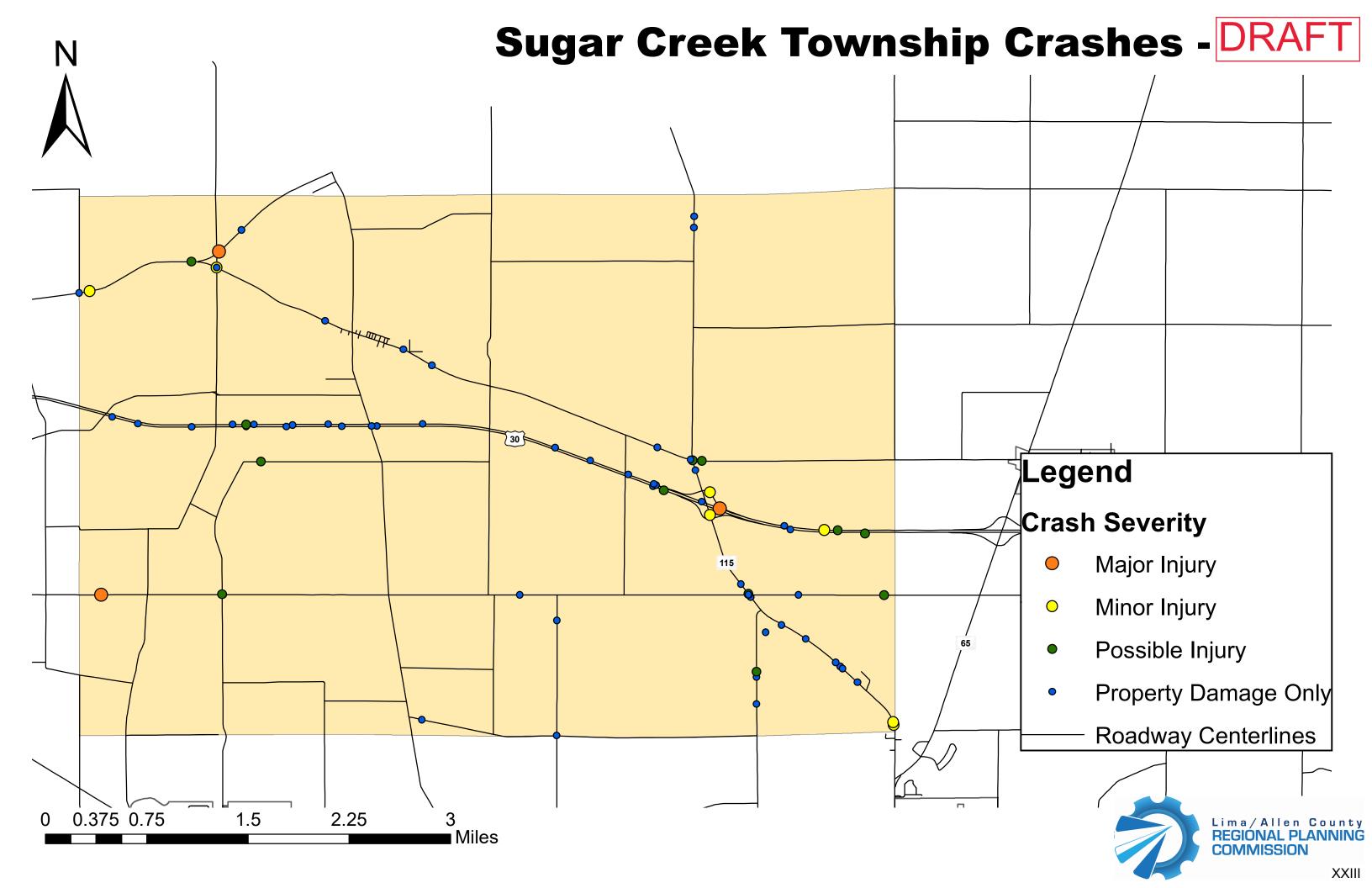
Roadway Centerlines













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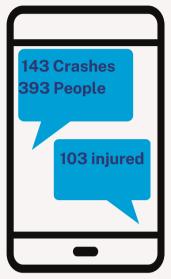
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Allen County, Ohio

Distracted Driving



2022 Totals:

6,840 People 3,053 Crashes 15 Fatalities

Impaired Driving

- 139 Crashes Involve Alcohol/Drugs
- 4 Fatal Crashes and 60 Injury Crashes



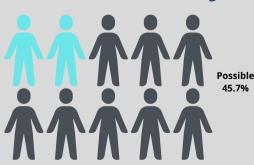
Bike and Pedestrian Crashes

- 36 Crashes Involved Bikes, Pedestrians, or other nonmotorized person
- 2 Fatal Crashes and 30 Injury Crashes

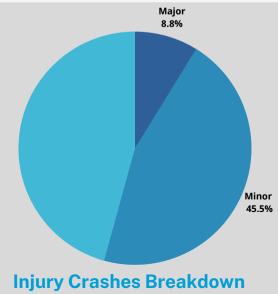


24.2% of all Crashes
Involve Injury

Crash Severity



15.7% People Involved in Crashes were injured

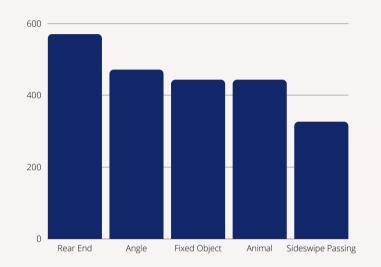


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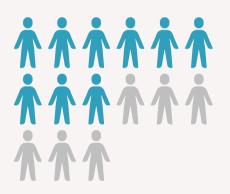
Top 5 Crash Type



Highest Crash Categories

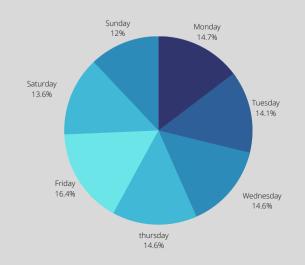
- Crash Month November (10.4%)
- Hour of Day 3:00P.M. (8.39%)
- Light Conditions Day Light (60.43%)
- Weather Conditions Clear (64.46%)

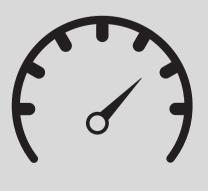
Safety Equipment



9 of 15 Fatalities in 2022 did not Utilize Safety Equipment

Crashes by Day in Week





364 Speed Related Crashes