Killington Road, which stretches from US Route 4 up to the Killington Ski Resort has been known for its poor sight lines, lack of bicycle facilities, numerous uncontrolled access points, speeding traffic, history of rear-end type crashes, absence of turn lanes, and “lack of a unified vision.” The Killington community, including local business owners, property owners, the Selectboard and Planning Commission, and representatives of the resort expressed their concerns, which resulted in the Town identifying a need for improvements. The Project Team developed a Master Planning Study to identify a comprehensive and cohesive plan for the bustling road, highlighting key focus areas including traffic capacity, bicycle and pedestrian safety, pavement structure, improved grades and sight lines, lighting, turning lanes, and traffic signal needs. The Project Team ultimately developed a set of plans and recommendations along with cost estimates that put forth a new vision of the corridor.

Meeting & Exceeding the Client’s Needs

The Town of Killington asked the Project Team to reimagine the roadway corridor to provide a clean slate design that would best serve the collective interest of the community. The Team worked to provide a plan consisting of changes, including new bus stops and pull-off shelters, sidewalks for pedestrian traffic, a shared use path to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians, new lane configurations that include a single lane for both uphill and downhill motorists, the addition of a designated center turn lane to prevent rear-end accidents, and dedicated left and right turn lanes where warranted. The current roadway did not provide a safe environment for bicyclists or pedestrians, and the lack of turning lanes resulted in motor vehicle accidents. The Town will use the Project Team’s proposed plan to guide the continued development along the corridor, and to seek grant funding to transform the roadway into a modern, multimodal facility.