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I use the crossing of W Washington on the SW path frequently as a bicyclist and occasionally as a pedestrian. In the past, this intersection was always difficult to cross because of the need to cross 4 lanes of traffic. Commonly, a motor vehicle in one lane would stop, but the vehicle in the other lane would not. In some cases, when the vehicle in the lane nearest to me was a large SUV or a truck, it could be difficult to even see if there is a vehicle in the second lane. I have witnessed several close calls at this intersection.

After the temporary lane reduction was implemented, I feel much safer in the intersection because the issues above are eliminated and traffic seems to be a little more cautious.

Eliminating a lane of traffic makes pedestrian crossings safer, particularly for those who are disabled.

I support permanent lane reductions as part of whatever strategy is chosen to improve safety at this intersection.

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