



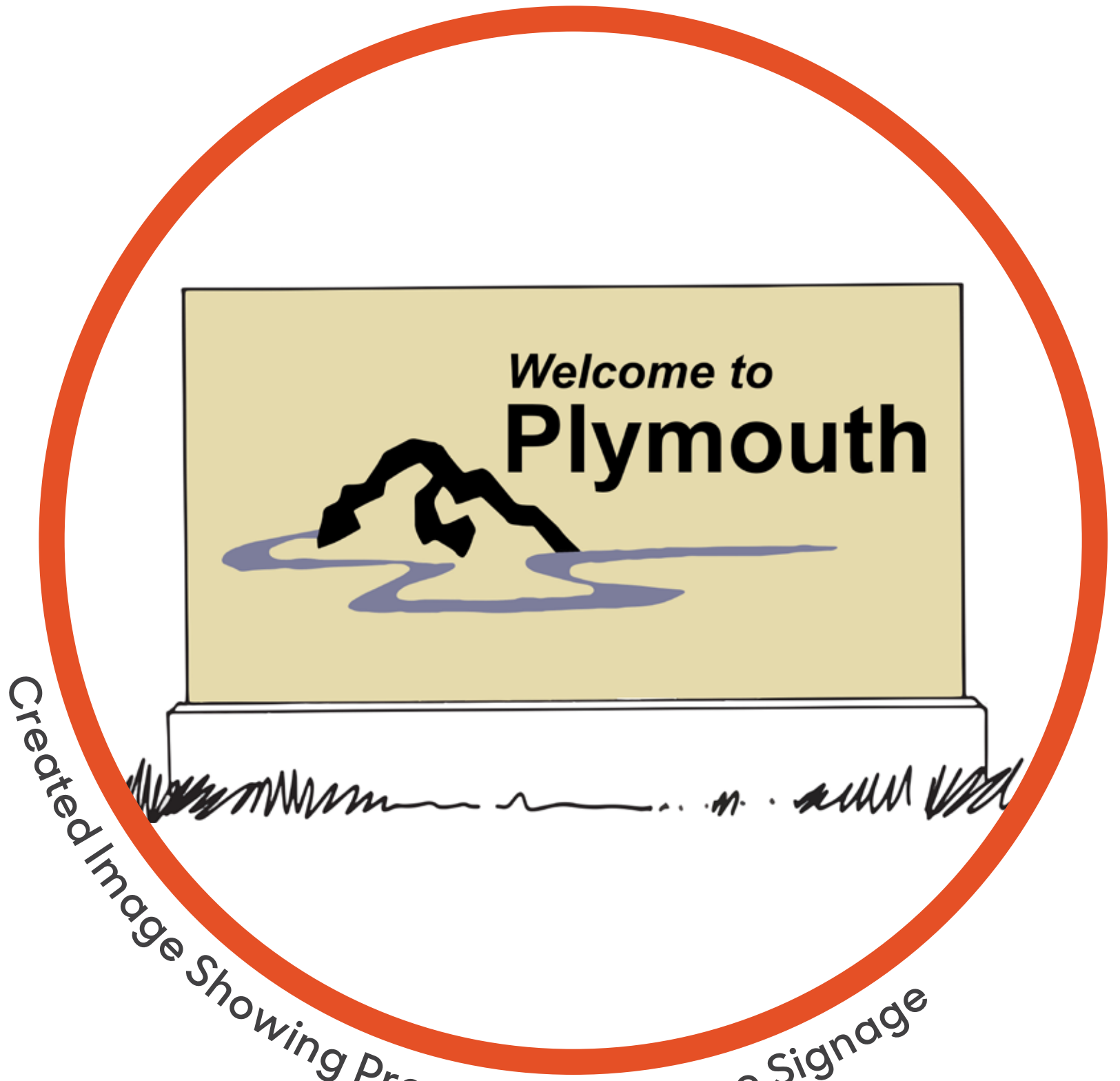
Shell Rock River



Annotated Map from the Transportation Analysis Meeting



Community Exercise Discussing Transportation Barriers



Created Image Showing Proposed Entrance Signage

## Program Overview

Plymouth is one of 10 communities selected to participate in the 2018 Iowa's Living Roadways (ILR) Community Visioning Program. The program, which selects communities through a competitive application process, provides professional planning and design assistance along transportation corridors to small Iowa communities (populations of fewer than 10,000).

The ILR Community Visioning Program assists community members with planning local transportation systems that are safe, accessible, and ecologically sensitive. Planning also takes into account local use patterns and needs of residents, and supports these goals by gathering research based information that guides transportation goal setting and design.

Each visioning community works through a planning process consisting of four phases of concept development:

- Program initiation
- Needs assessment and goal setting
- Development of a concept plan
- Implementation and sustained action

Plymouth's process is guided by a local steering committee, who mobilized other residents to take part in a series of meetings that are facilitated by field coordinators from Trees Forever. Iowa State University organized design teams of professional landscape architects, design interns, and ISU faculty and staff. The program is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

## Community Goals

The Plymouth visioning committee identified a number of goals and priority areas during the visioning process, including:

- Strand Park:** Improve river access, add picnic shelters, clear hedge to improve visibility, and create more parking
- Safety:** Improve existing sidewalks, enhance pedestrian crosswalks, and update lighting within specific areas of the community
- Recreation:** Enhance Old School Park walking trail and pedestrian bridge, create a trail master plan, connect Plymouth to Strand Park, and improve river access
- Identity & Signage:** Establish a welcome sign at the entrances into town, use a community logo on all monument signs and way-finding signs, create a theme for the community, and enhance light poles with banners

## Capturing the Plymouth Vision

Based on the needs and desires of local residents, as well as a detailed inventory of community resources, the design team developed a conceptual transportation enhancement plan. This plan, as well as the inventory information, is illustrated in the following set of presentation boards. These boards include the Program Overview, Bioregional Assessment, Transportation Assets and Barriers Assessment, Transportation Inventory and Analysis, Concept Overview, and Community Design boards.

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