



Jericho BF 0209(10)
Alternatives Presentation Meeting
Town Highway 4/Browns Trace – Bridge 15 over Mill Brook

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Introductions

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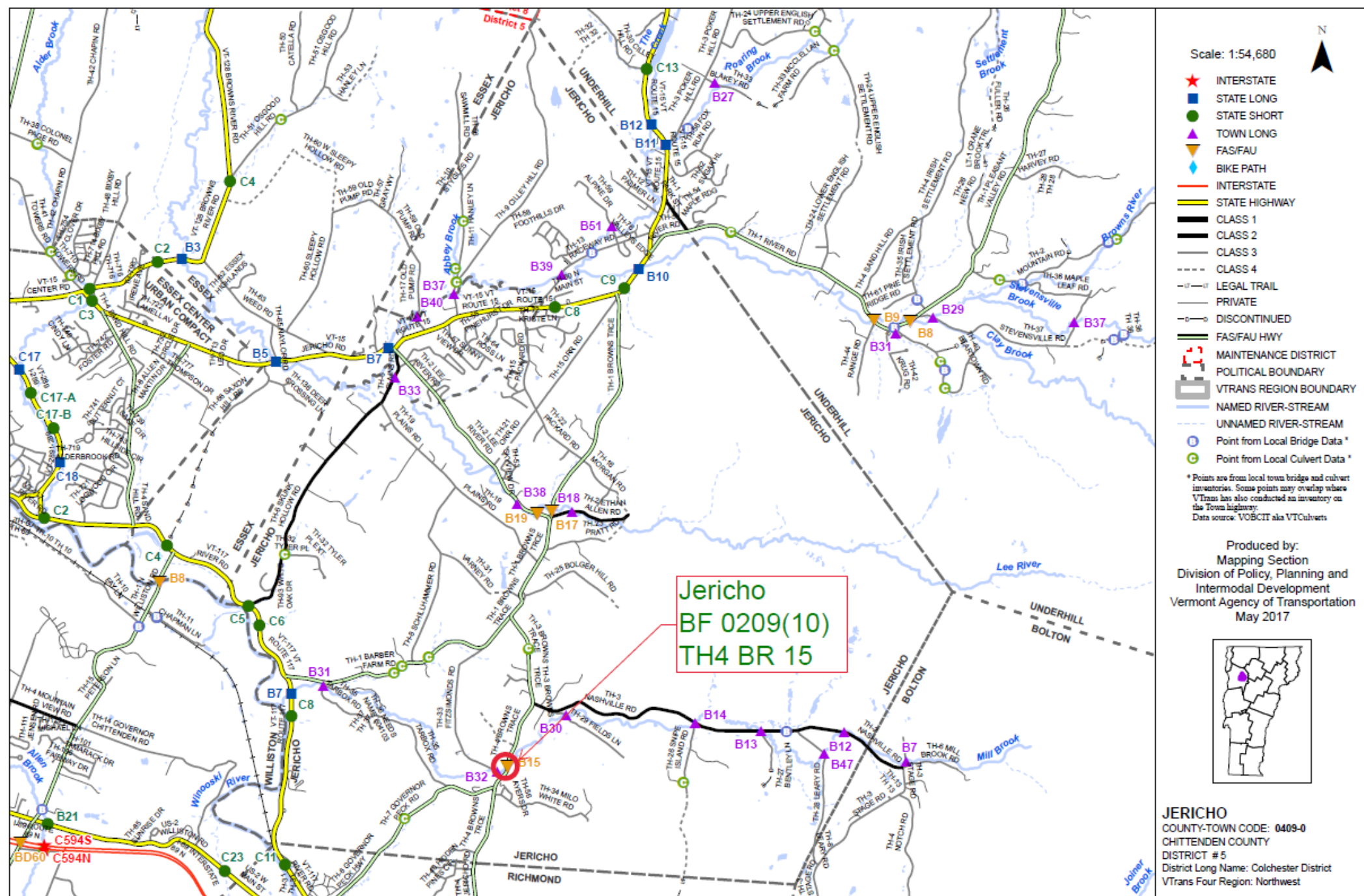
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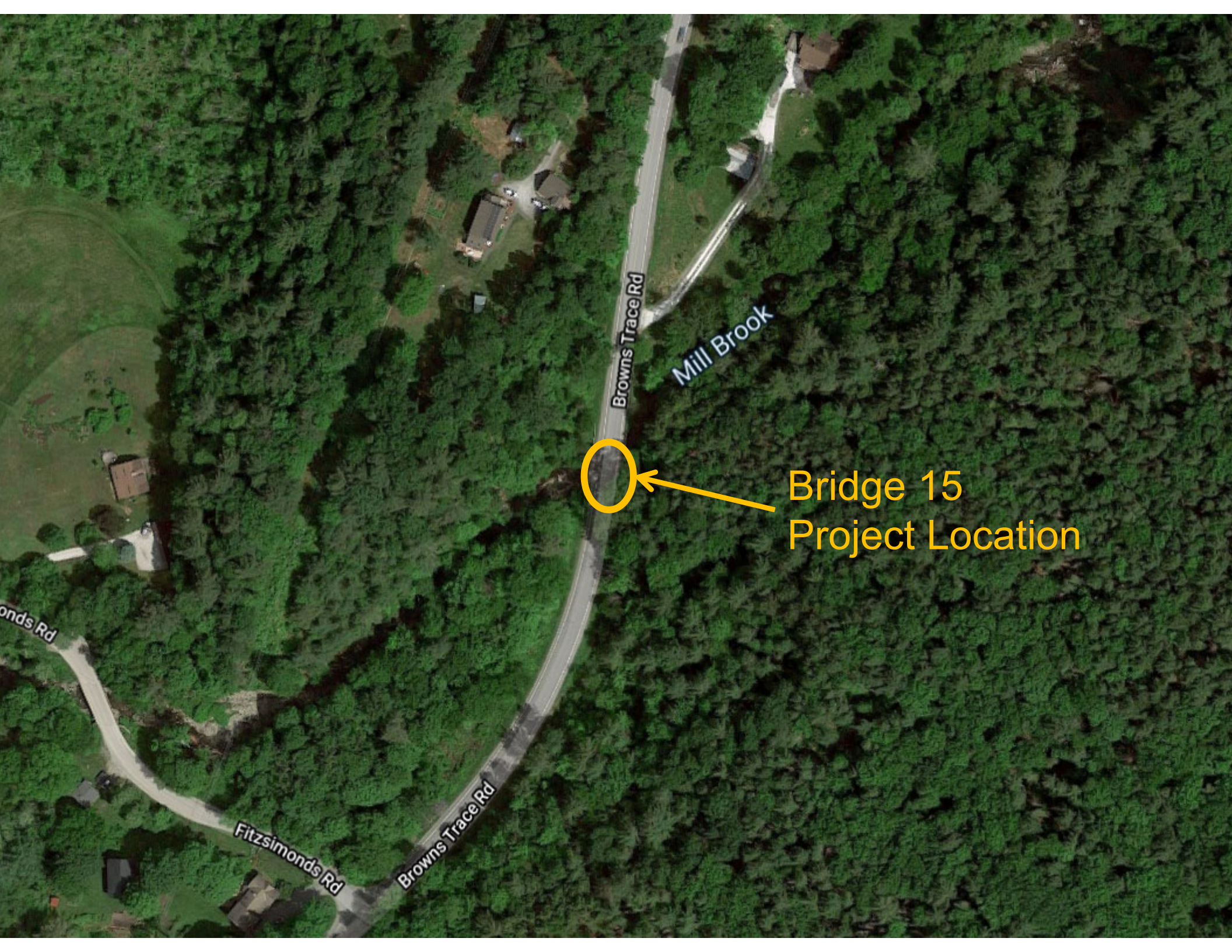
Purpose of Meeting

- Provide an understanding of our approach to the project
- Provide an overview of project constraints
- Discuss alternatives that were considered
- Discuss our recommended alternative
- Provide an opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns



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Location Map



Browns Trace Rd

Mill Brook

Bridge 15
Project Location

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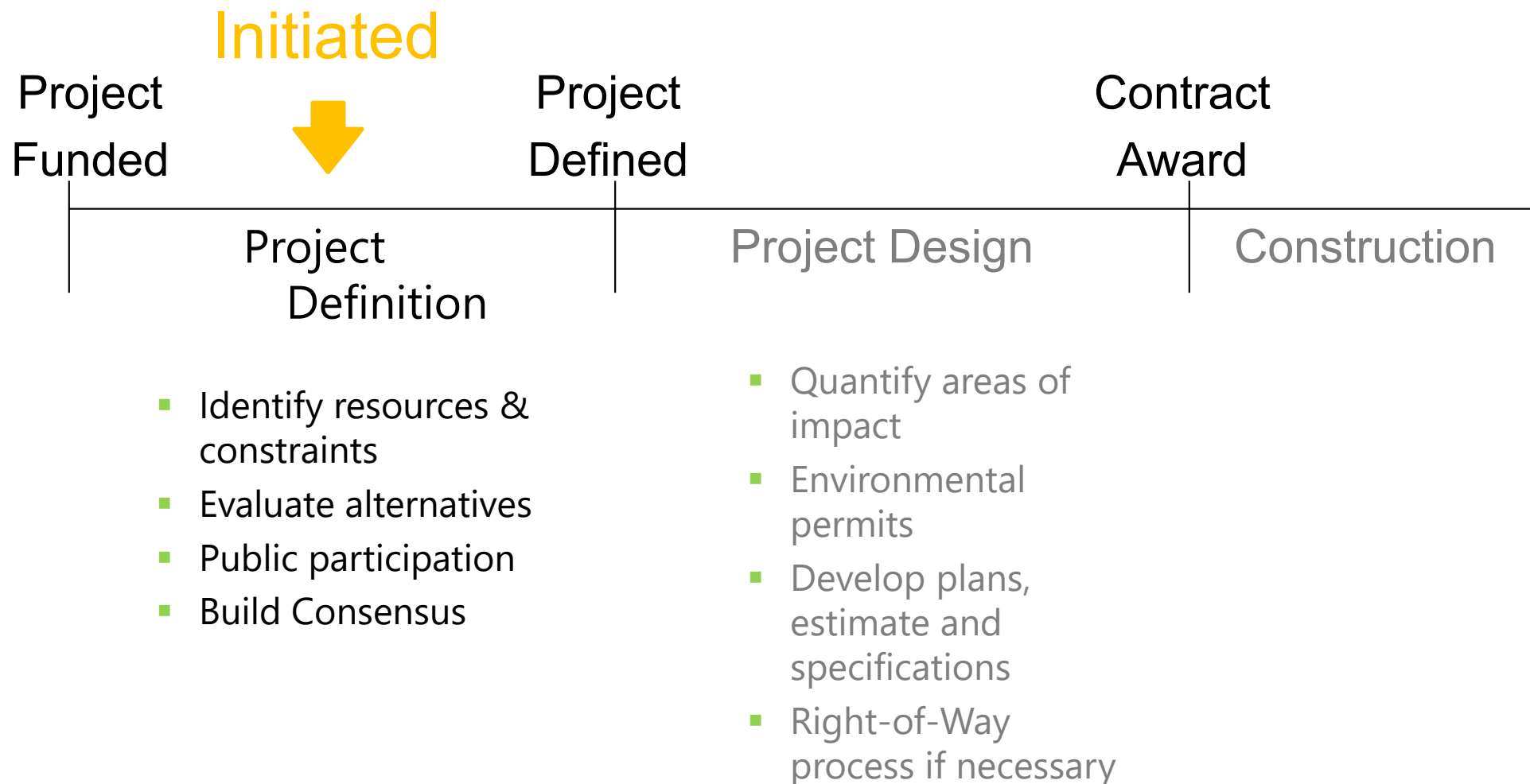
Fitzsimonds Rd

Browns Trace Rd

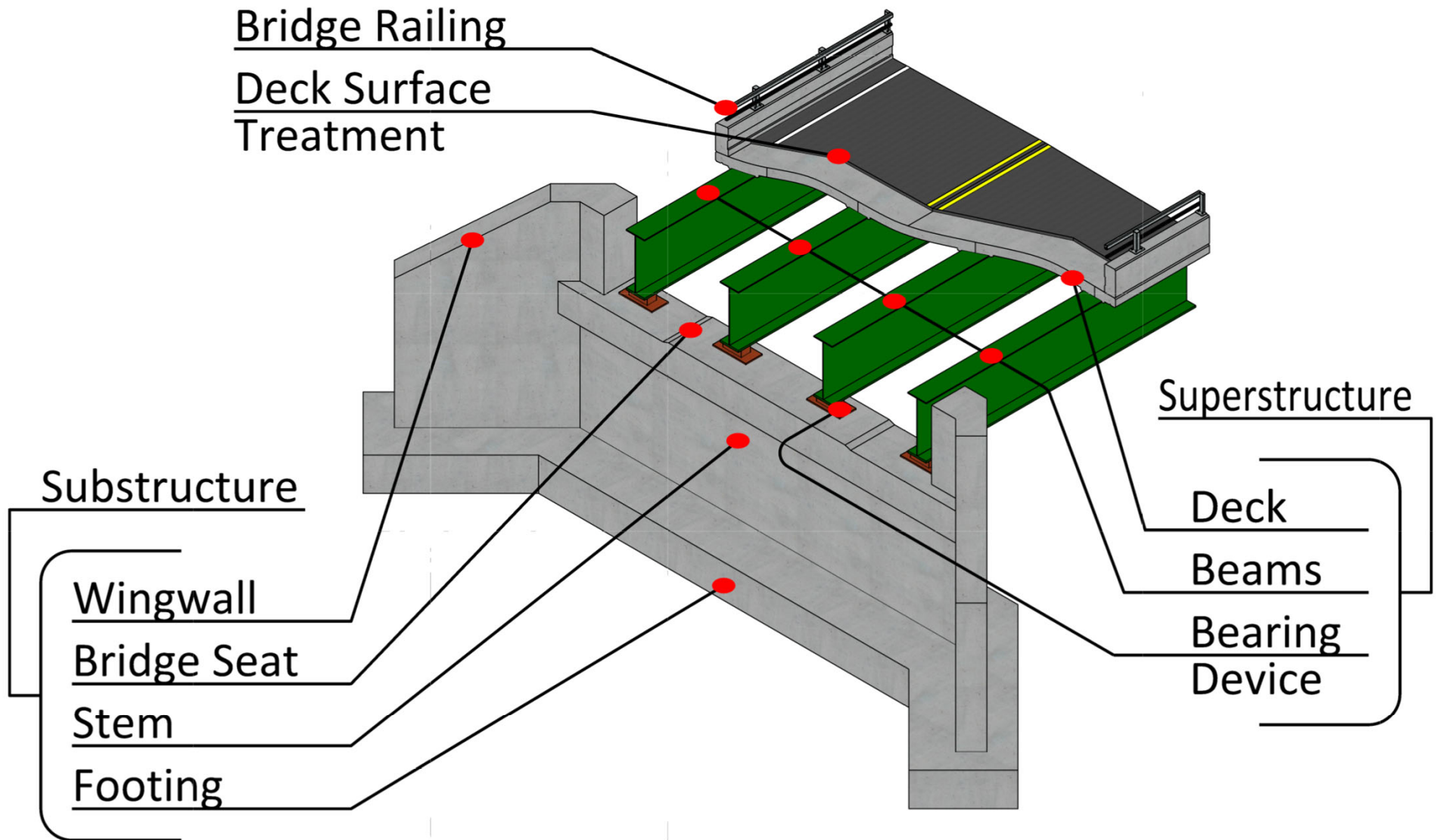
Meeting Overview

- VTrans Project Development Process
- Project Overview
 - Existing Conditions
 - Alternatives Considered
 - Recommended Alternative
- Maintenance of Traffic
- Schedule
- Summary
- Next Steps
- Questions

VTrans Project Development Process



Description of Terms Used



ACT 153 of the 2012 Legislative Session

	Local Share	
	Road Closed During Construction	Road Open During Construction
Rehabilitation	2.5%	5%
Replacement	5%	10%

- Per Act 153, the local share is reduced by 50% for rehabilitating versus replacement
- Per Act 153, the local share is reduced by 50% for closing the road to traffic during construction

Looking South over Bridge 15



Existing Conditions – Bridge #15

- Roadway Classification – Minor Arterial
- Bridge Type – 38' Span Concrete T-Beam
- Ownership – Town of Jericho
- Constructed in 1927, reconstructed in 1962

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Looking North over Bridge 15



Existing Conditions – Bridge #15

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- Utilities (aerial and underground)

Existing Site Conditions – Bridge #15

- The T-beams are in fair condition. The middle sistered-up beams have heavy spalling, and the stirrups are rusted through.
- The substructures have poorly rated wingwalls and footings. The southern abutment has severe spalling and scaling along the downstream portion of the abutment stem wall. The footing has deep voids forming in the lower portions of the abutment.
- The sag vertical curve and stopping site distance through the project area are substandard.
- The bridge does not meet the minimum bank full width requirements.

Bridge Inspection Report Ratings



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

- Deck Rating 6 (Satisfactory)
- Superstructure Rating 5 (Fair)
- Substructure Rating 5 (Fair)

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Southern Abutment



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Northern Abutment



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Upstream Fascia



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Downstream Fascia



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Sistered Up Concrete T-Beam



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Spalling at Southwest Wingwall



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Voids at Southern Abutment Footing



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

View Looking Upstream



Existing Conditions - Bridge #15

Resources - View Looking Downstream

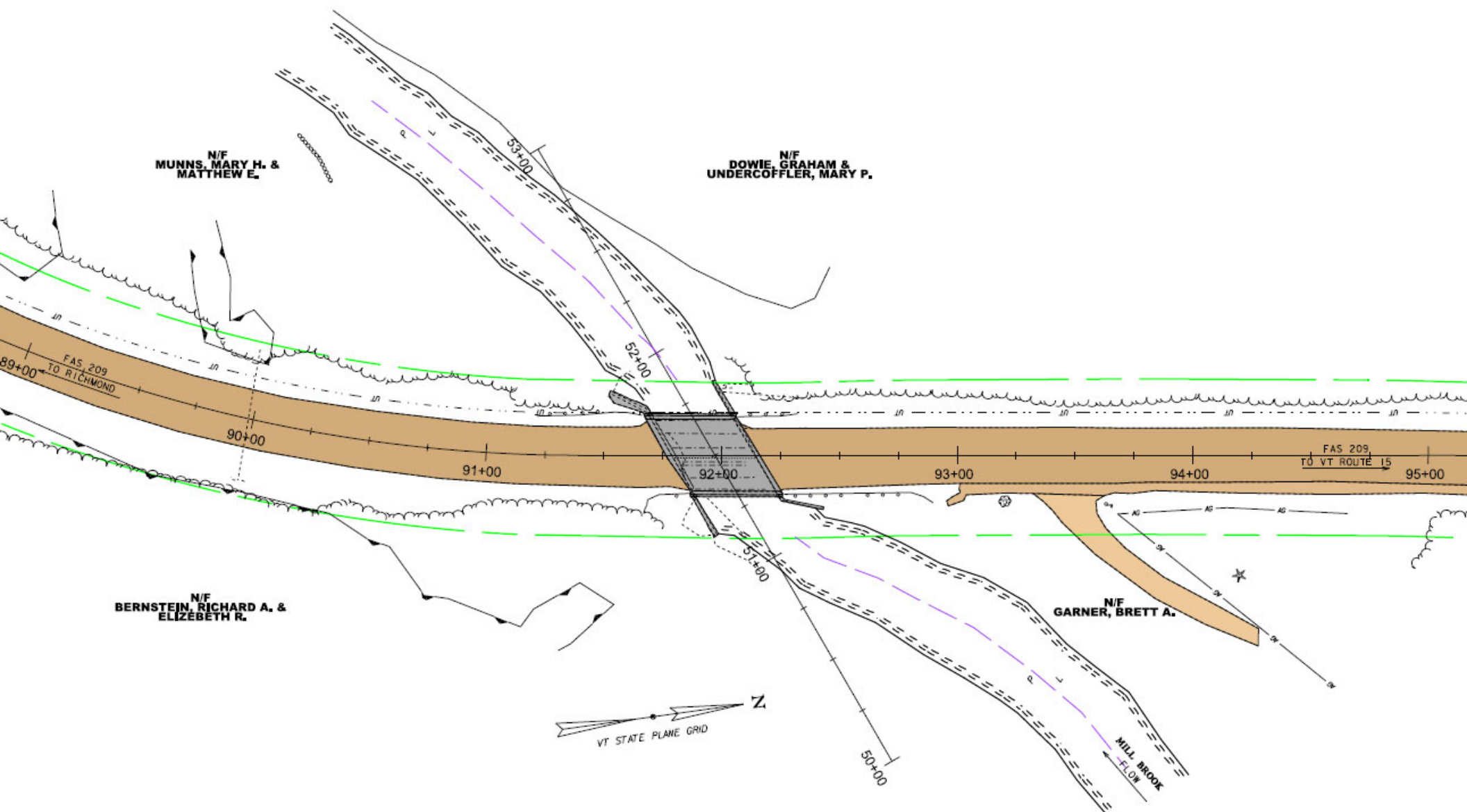


Resources – Bridge #15

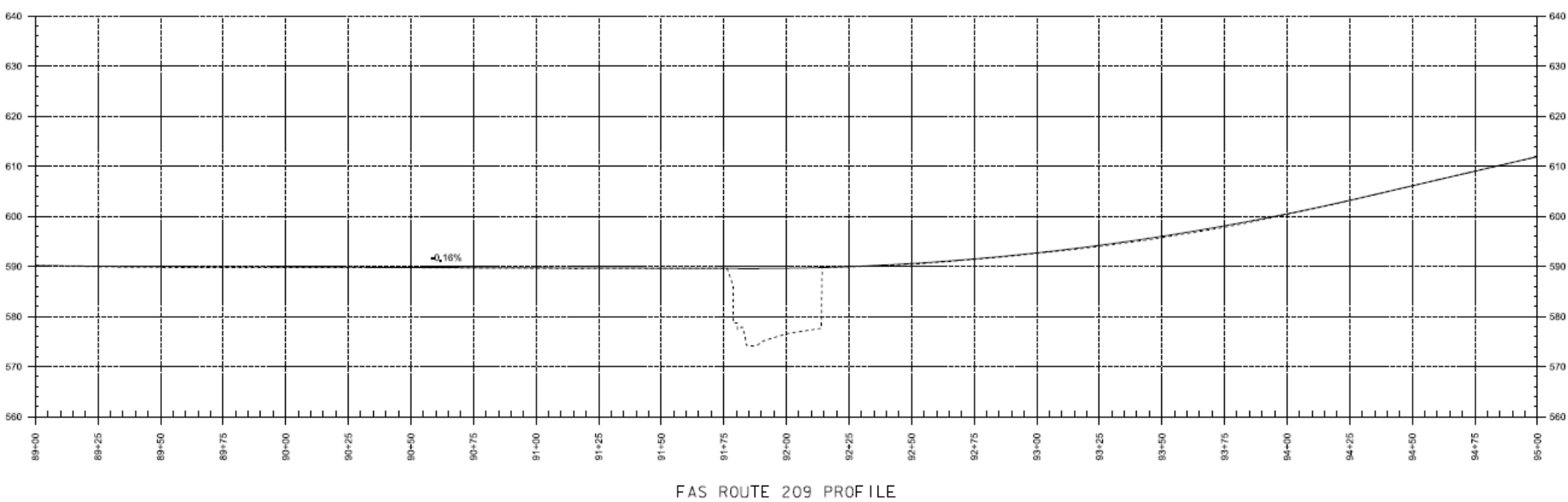
- Wetlands
- Wildlife Habitat - within "highest priority" habitat blocks
- Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species (R/T/E)
 - Smooth Green Snake & Wood Turtle
 - Potentially Northern Long-eared Bats
- Prime Agricultural Soils.

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Existing Conditions



Existing Conditions



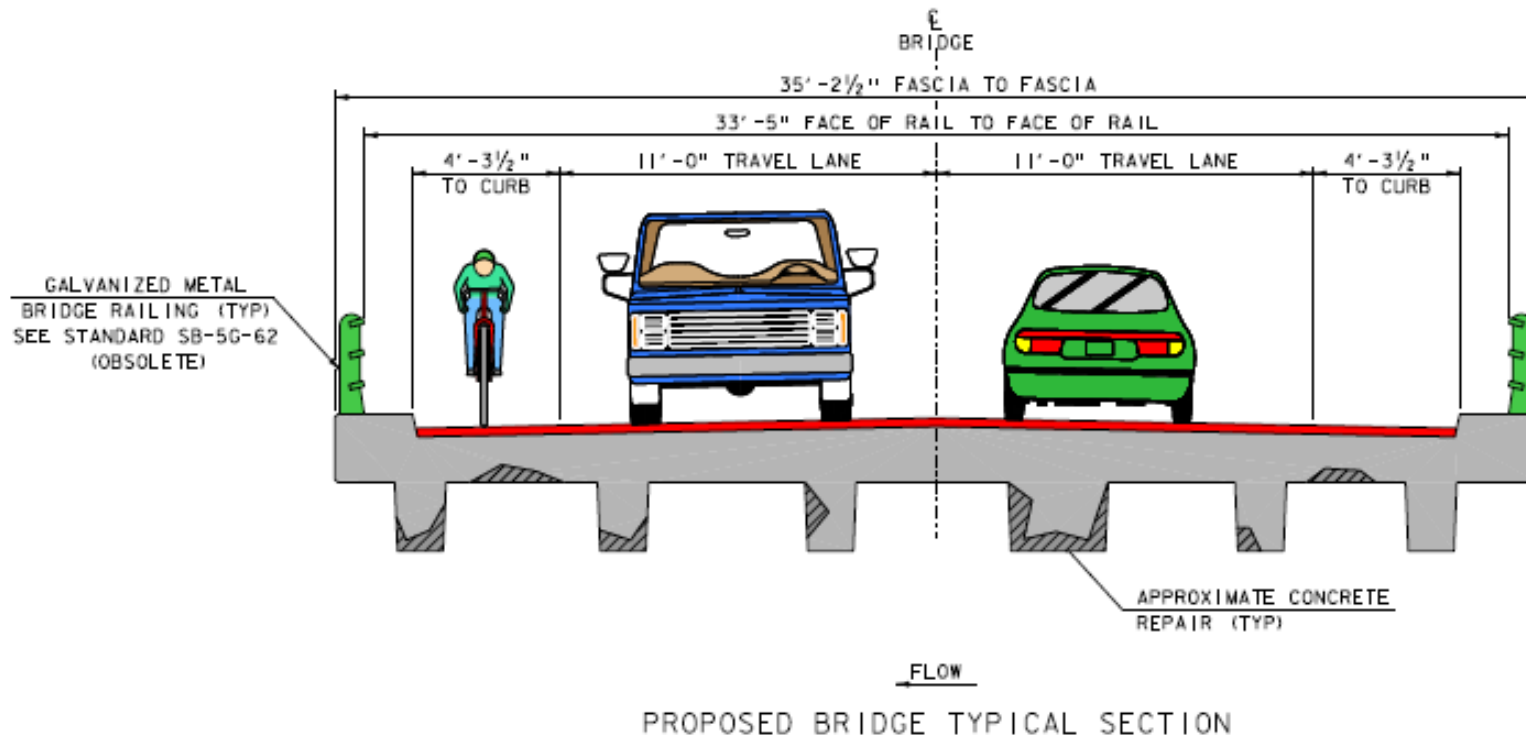
Design Criteria and Considerations

- Average Daily Traffic
 - 3,500 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
 - 520 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
 - 8.3%

Alternatives Considered – Bridge #15

- No Action
 - No imminent danger, but will eventually need to be posted for lower traffic loads
- Minor Rehabilitation
 - Deterioration addressed, but not bank full width, or substandard bridge railing
 - Bridge seat and substructure repairs
 - 20-year design life
- Superstructure Replacement
 - New deck, railings, and superstructure
 - Maintains minimum standard bridge width (5'-11'-11'-5')
 - 30-year design life
- Full Bridge Replacement (On Alignment)
 - 50' – 65' span for improved hydraulics & stream equilibrium
 - Maintains minimum standard bridge width (5'-11'-11'-5')
 - 75-year design life

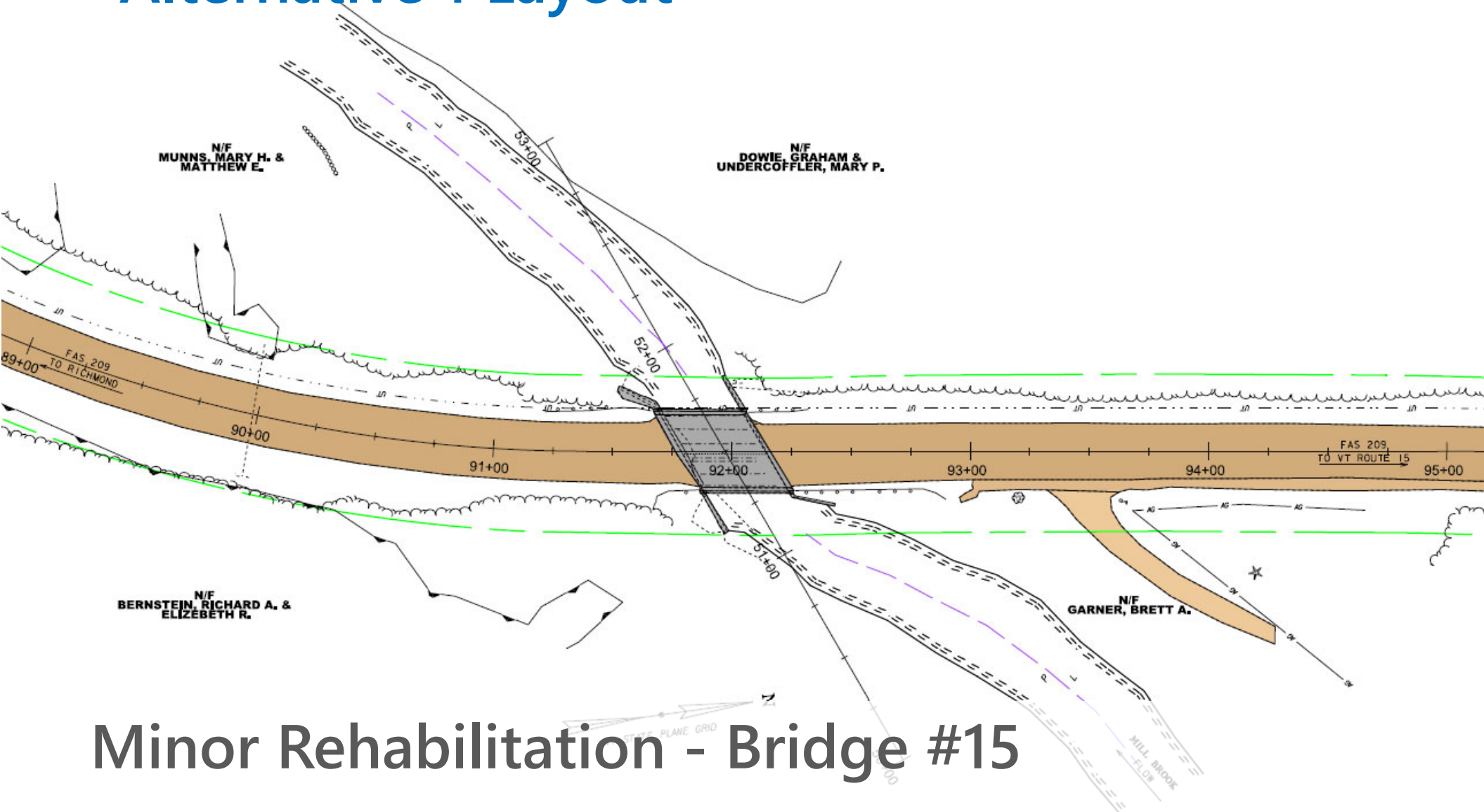
Alternative 1 Typical Section



Minor Rehabilitation - Bridge #15

- Deterioration issues addressed
- Substandard bridge railing not addressed

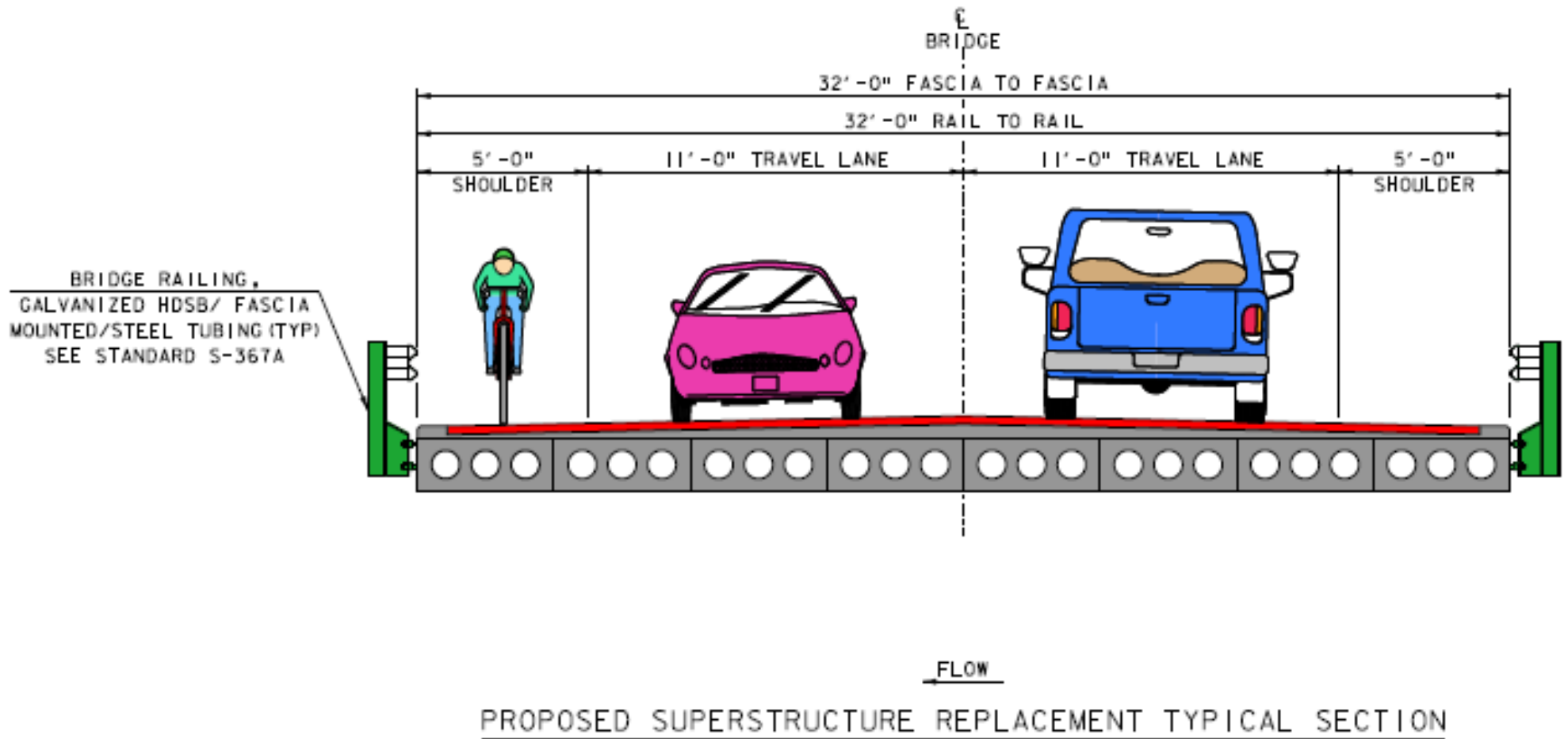
Alternative 1 Layout



Minor Rehabilitation - Bridge #15

- Substandard bank full width not addressed
- Bridge seat and substructure repairs included
- 20-year design life

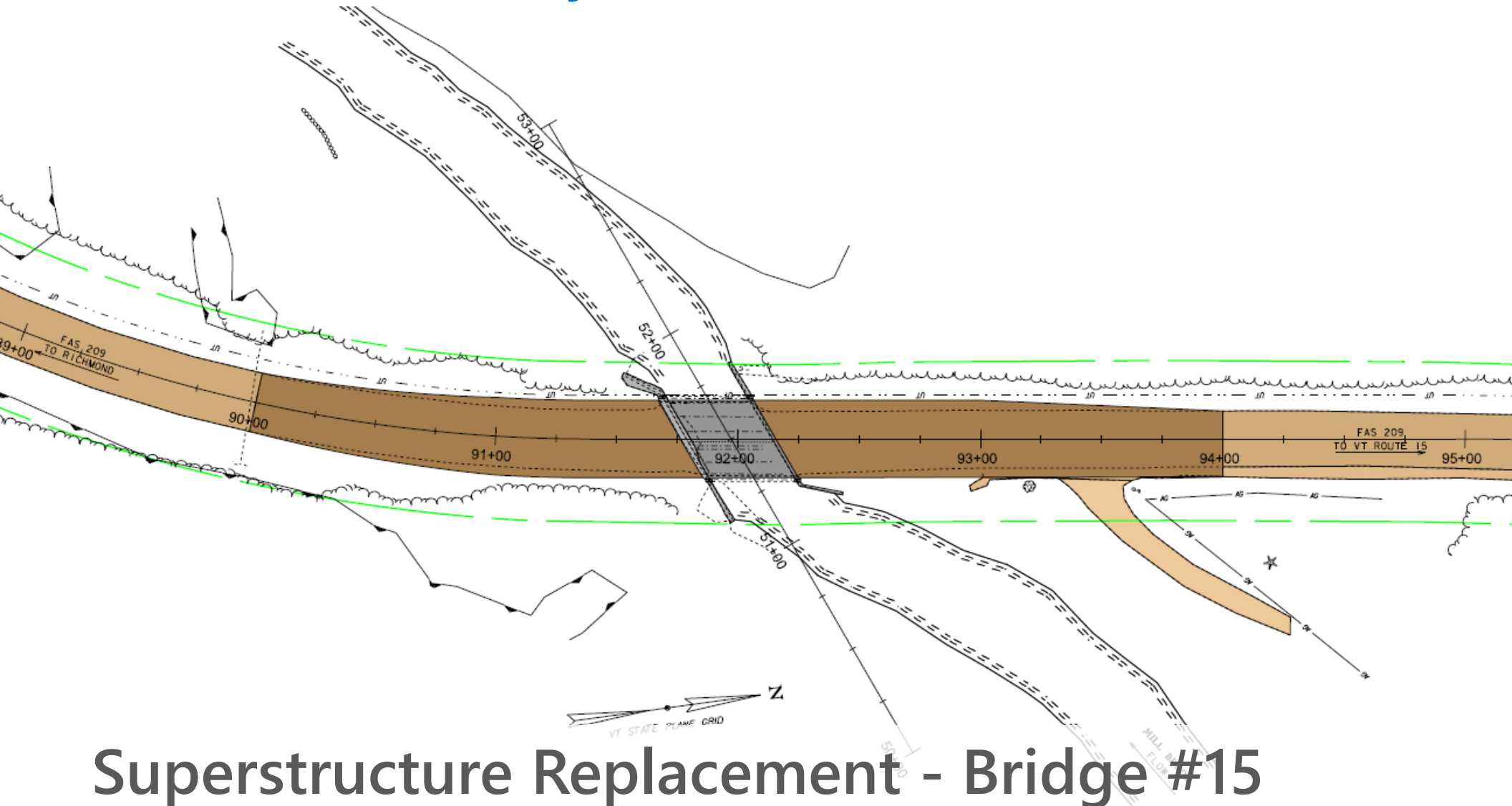
Alternative 2 Typical Section



Superstructure Replacement - Bridge #15

- New deck, railings, and superstructure
- Maintains minimum standard bridge width (5'-11'-11'-5')

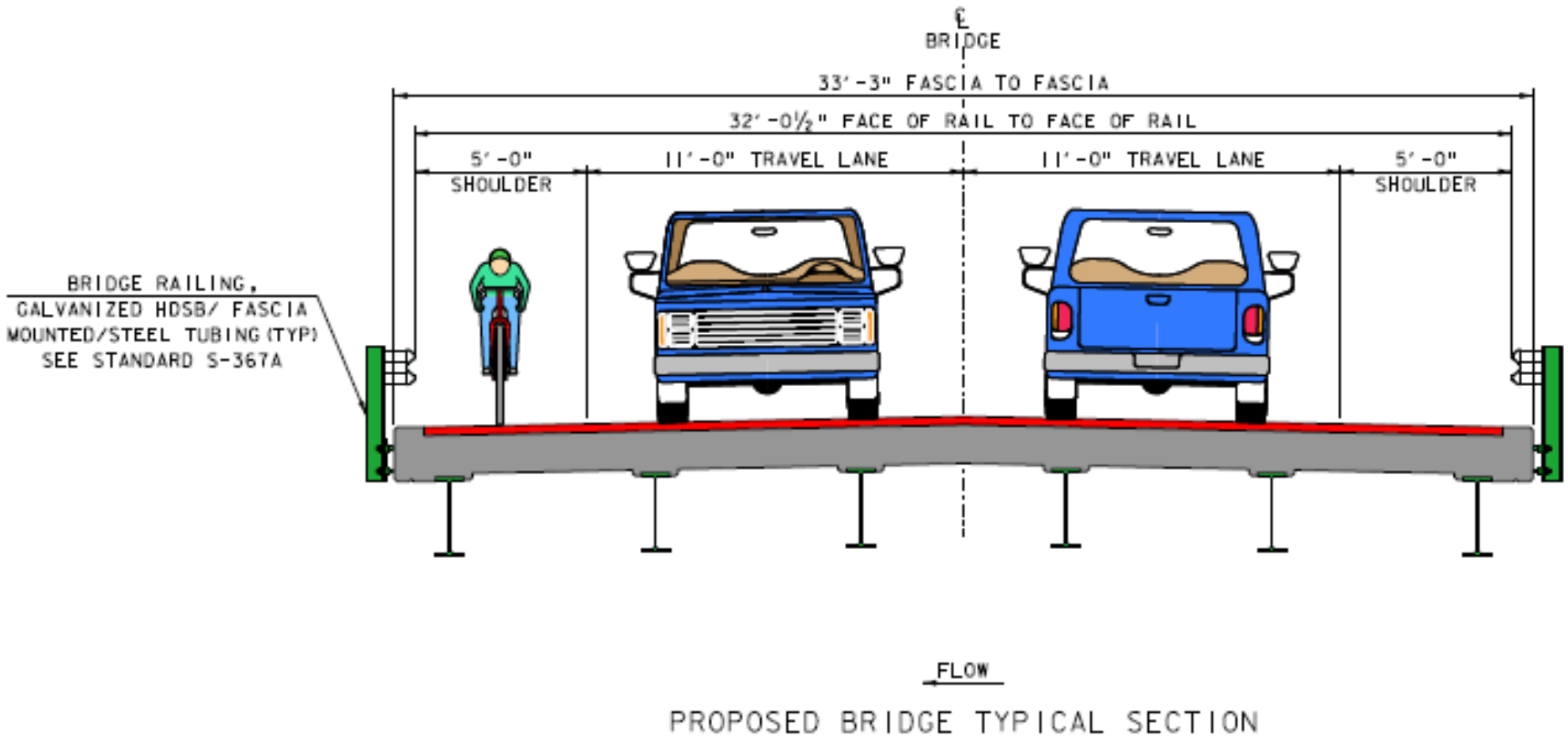
Alternative 2 Layout



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- Substandard bank full width not addressed
- Bridge seat and substructure repairs included
- 30-year design life

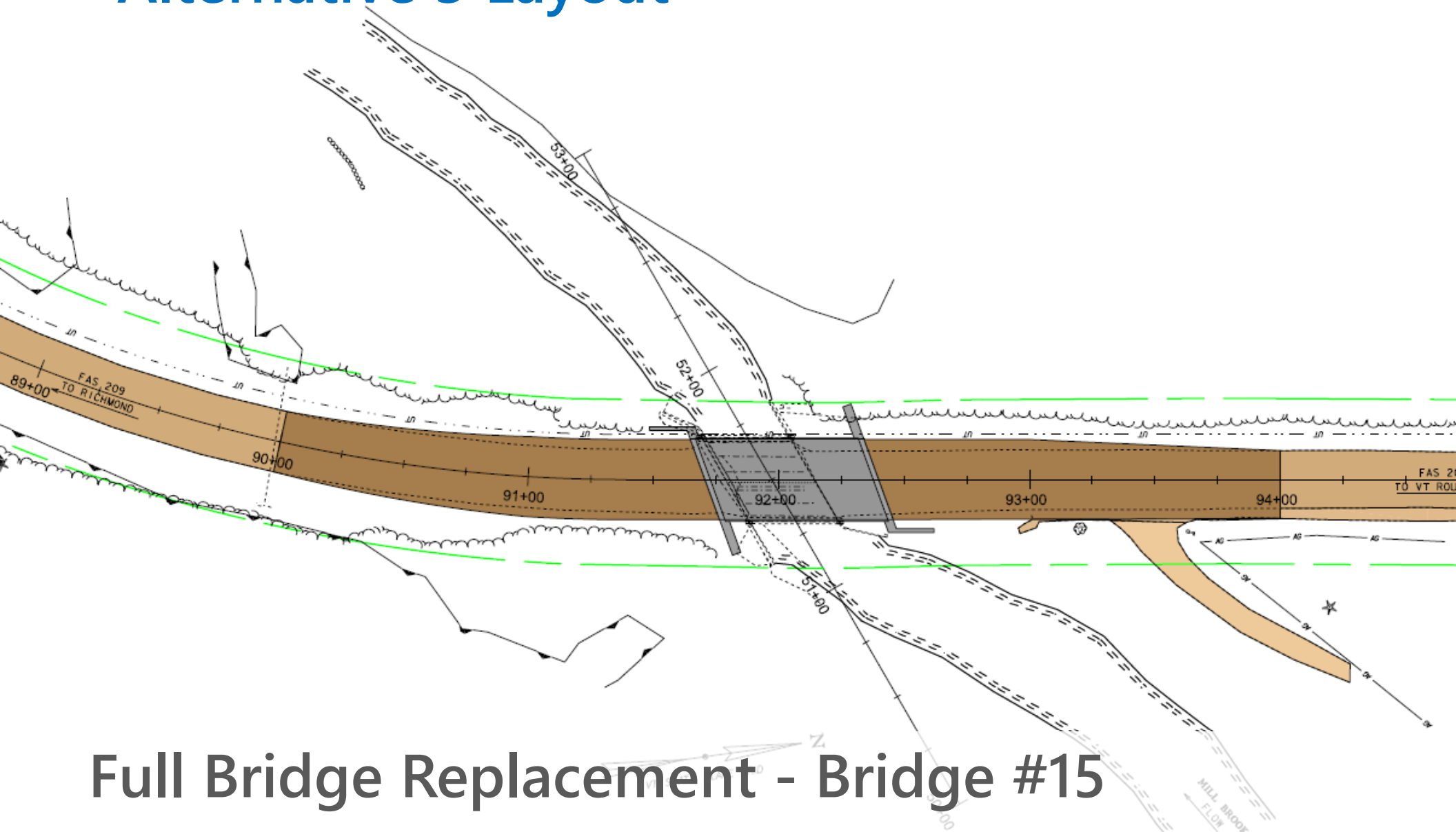
Alternative 3 Typical Section



Full Bridge Replacement - Bridge #15

- New deck, railings, superstructure, and substructures
- Maintains minimum standard bridge width (5'-11'-11'-5')

Alternative 3 Layout



Full Bridge Replacement - Bridge #15

- 50' – 65' span for improved hydraulics & stream equilibrium
- 75-year design life

Recommended Alternative - Bridge #15

- Full bridge replacement
 - Existing bridge has exceeded its expected design life
 - Lengthen to 50-65-foot span, and decrease skew to 20-30 degrees to meet minimum hydraulic requirements, and stream equilibrium standards
 - Due to significant rehabilitation or replacement of the southern abutment, the full bridge replacement option is more cost effective
 - 75-year design life

Maintenance of Traffic Options Considered

- Offsite Detour
- Temporary Bridge
- Phased Construction

A photograph of a road closure. In the center, a white rectangular sign with a black border and the words "ROAD CLOSED" in large, bold, black capital letters is mounted on a white post. The sign is flanked by two horizontal white barriers with red diagonal stripes. In the background, there is a concrete wall, a chain-link fence, and green trees under a clear blue sky.

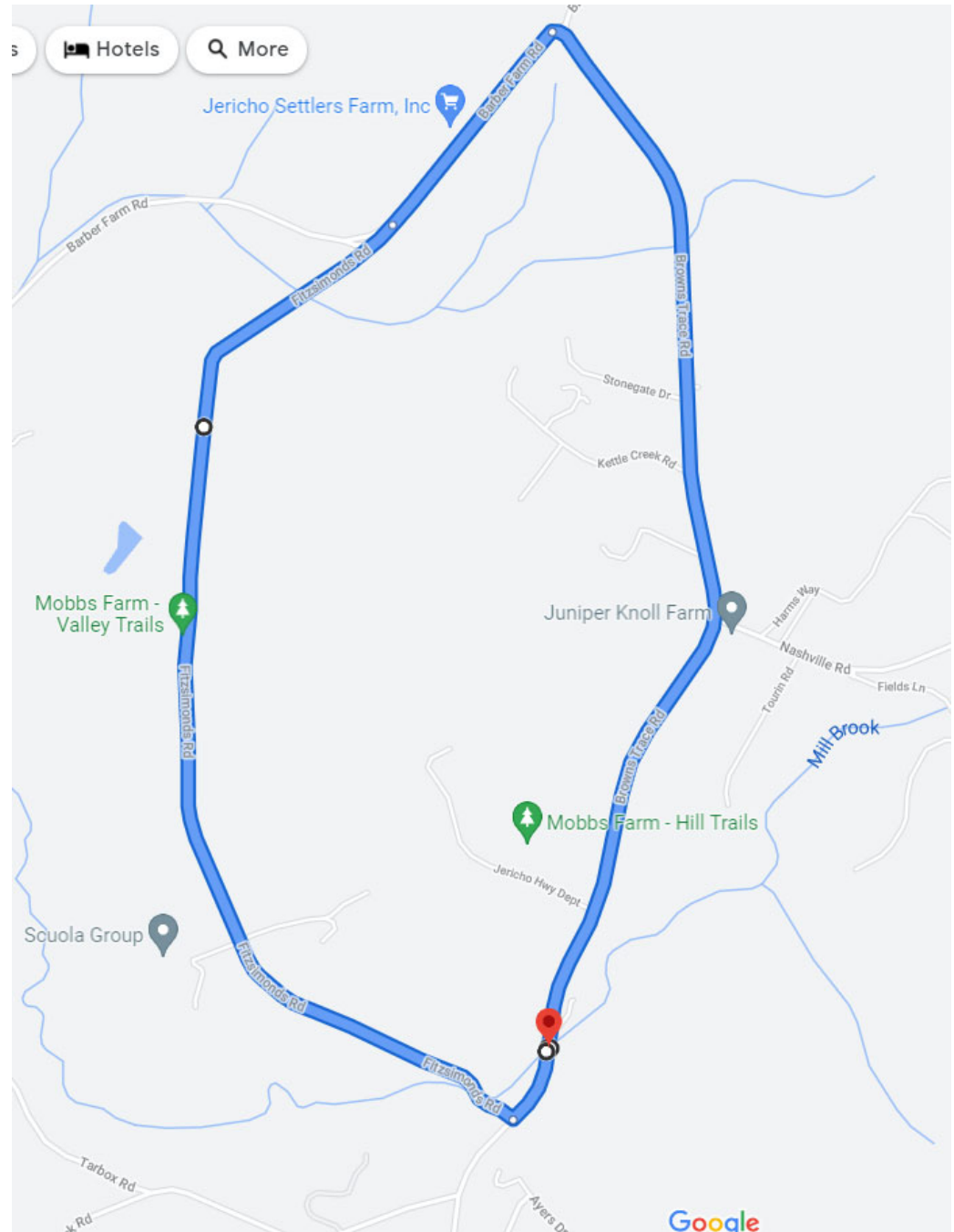
ROAD
CLOSED

Road Closure

- Detour chosen and signed by Town
- 45-day duration
- Shortest Detour Route is 3.7 miles end-to-end

Traffic Control – Detour

- **Detour Route:** Browns Trace Road (FAS 209/TH 4), to Fitzsimonds Road and Barber Farm Road, back to Browns Trace Road
- Detour Distance: 2.0 miles
- Thru Route: 1.7 miles
- End-to-End Distance: 3.7 miles
- Added Distance: 0.3 miles

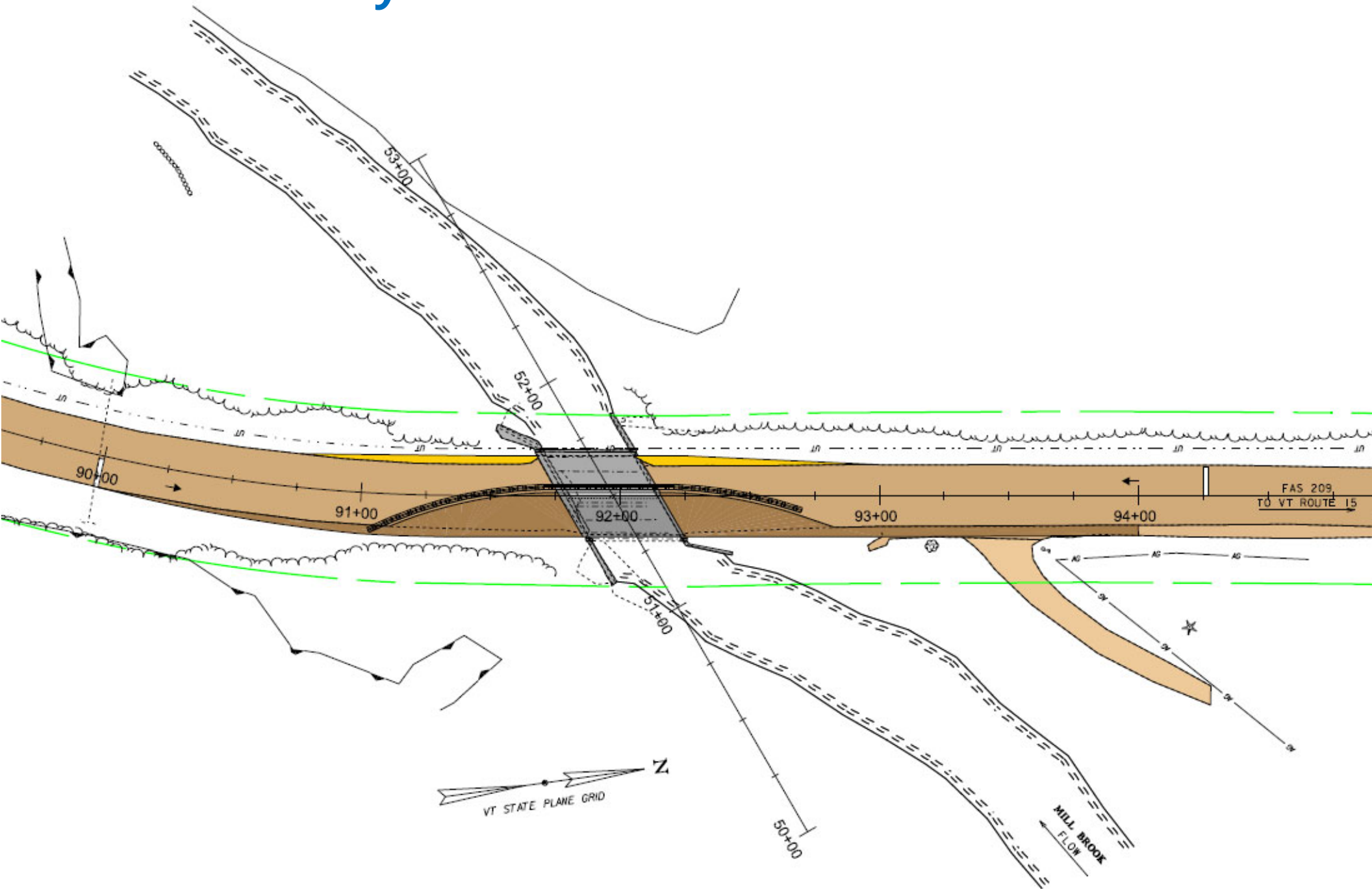




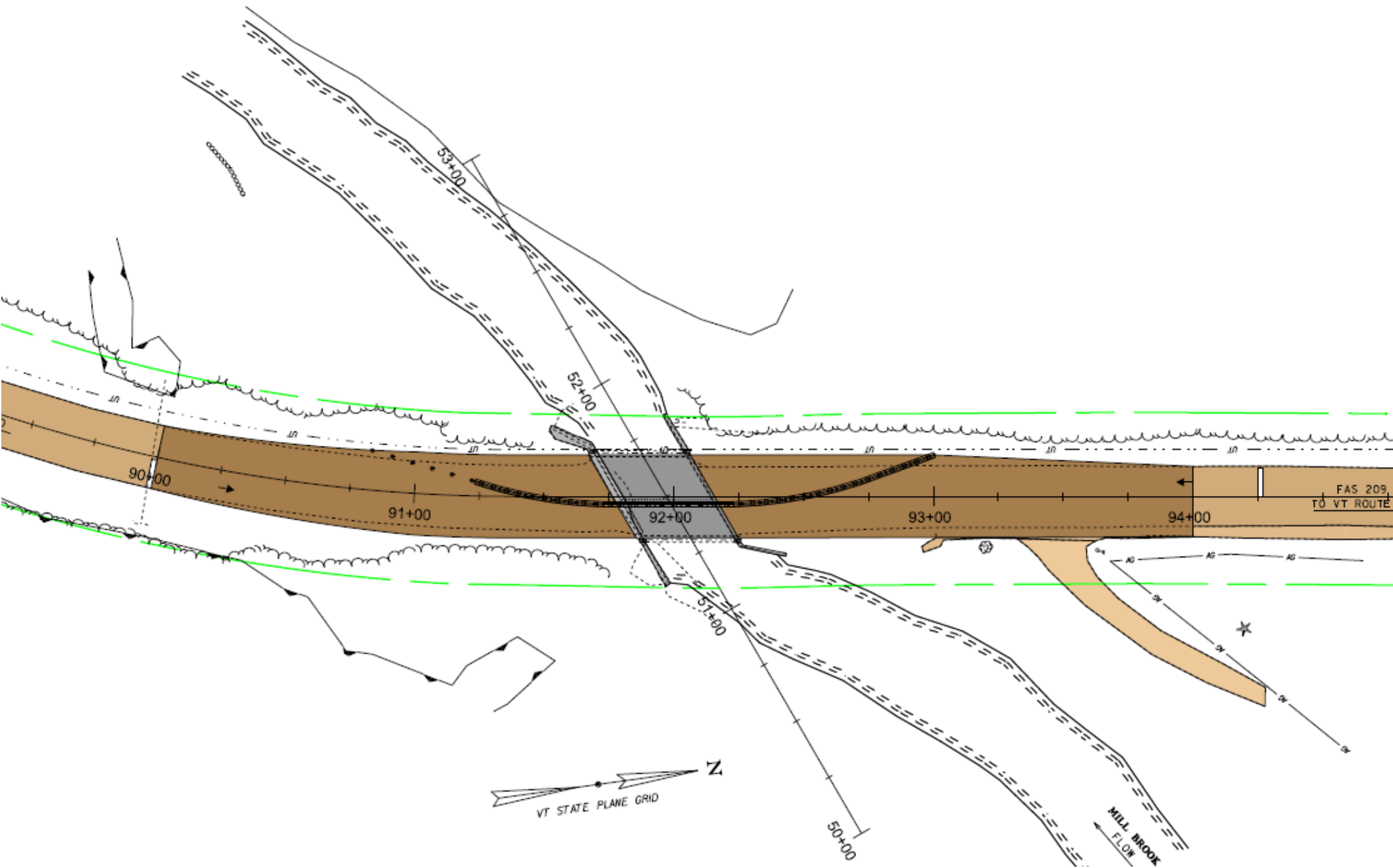
Phased Construction

- 2 Phases with one-lane alternating traffic with Traffic Signal

Phase 1 Layout



Phase 2 Layout

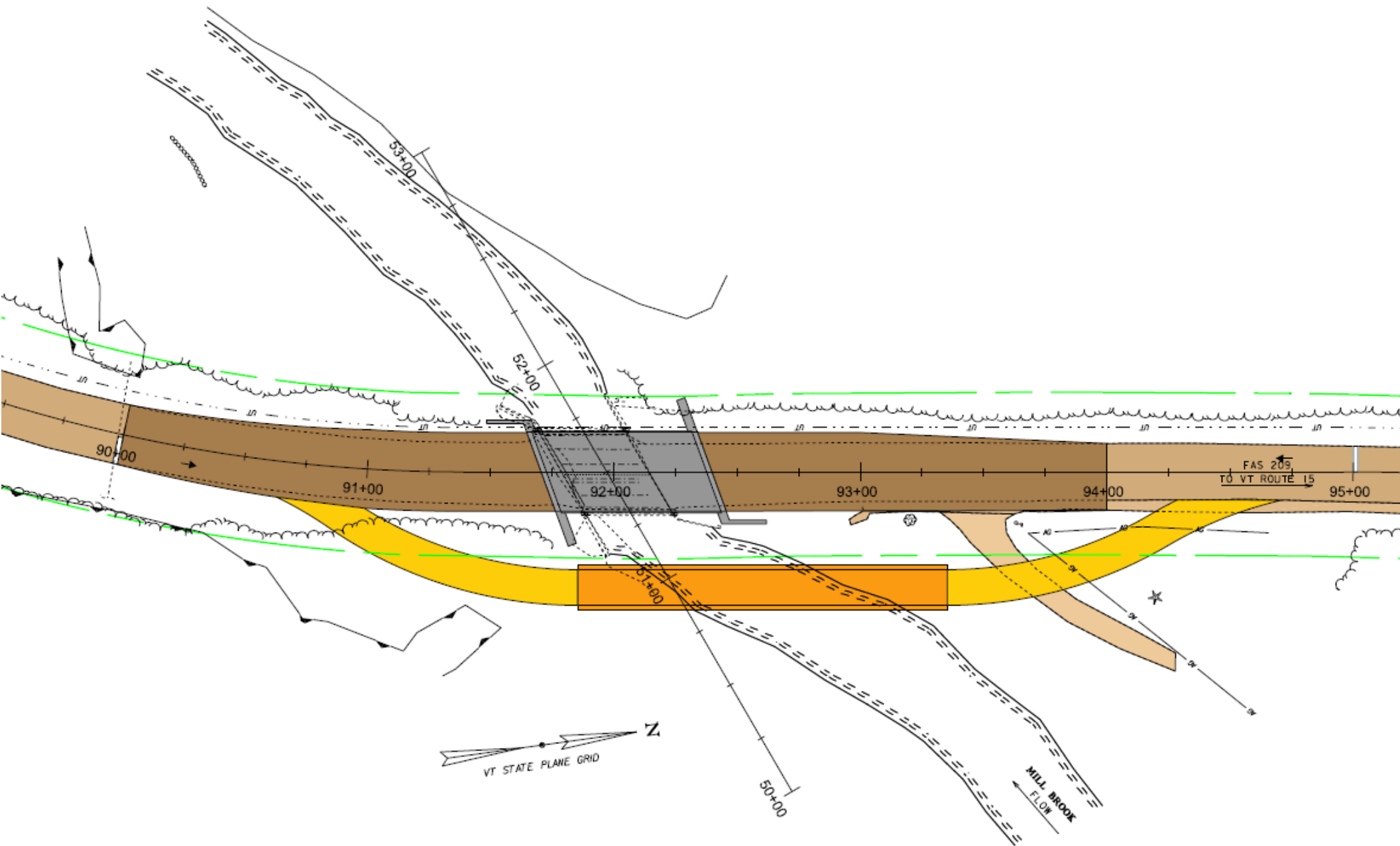




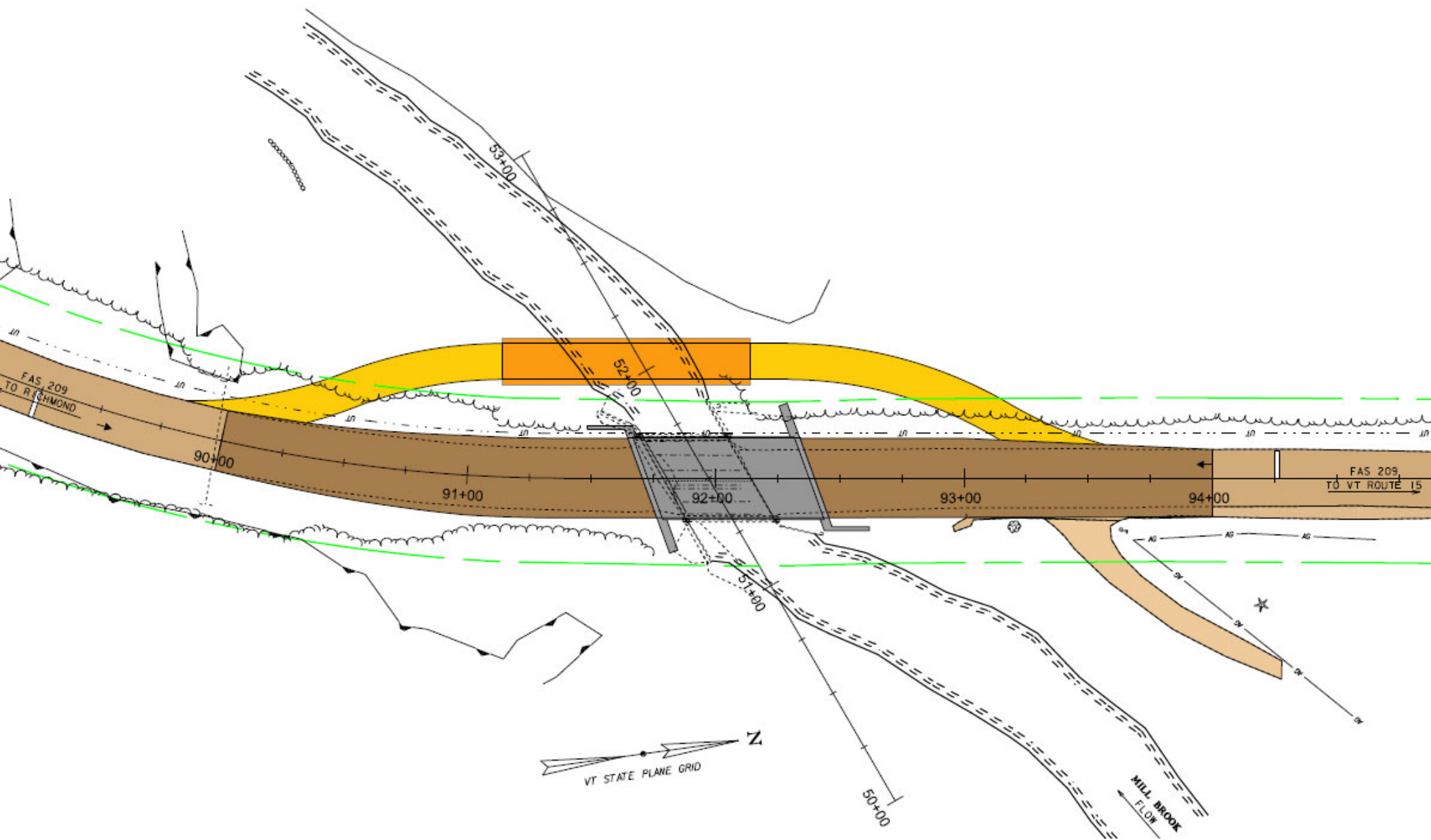
Temporary Bridge

- One Lane Temporary Bridge constructed either Upstream or Downstream side of Browns Trace Road

Upstream Temporary Bridge Layout



Downstream Temporary Bridge Layout



Recommendations - Bridge #15

- Full bridge replacement while maintaining traffic on an offsite detour
 - 45-day Bridge Closure
 - Existing bridge has exceeded its expected design life
 - Lengthened to 50' - 65' span, and skewed to 20 – 30 degrees to meet minimum hydraulic requirements, and stream equilibrium standards
 - Due to significant rehabilitation or replacement of the southern abutment, full bridge replacement option is more cost effective
- Additional Right-of-Way needed
- Construction year: 2025
- 75-year design life

Alternatives Matrix

Jericho BF 0209(10)	Do Nothing	Alt 1a	Alt 2a	Alt 2b	Alt 2c	Alt 3a	Alt 3b	Alt 3c
		Minor Rehabilitation	Superstructure Replacement			Full Bridge Replacement On-Alignment		
		Temporary Lane Closures	a. Offsite Detour	b. Phased Construction	c. Temporary Bridge	a. Offsite Detour	b. Phased Construction	c. Temporary Bridge
Total Project Costs	\$0	1,053,704	1,374,386	1,738,528	1,536,649	2,145,200	3,184,000	2,623,603
Annualized Costs	\$0	52,685	45,813	57,951	51,222	28,603	42,453	34,981
TOWN SHARE		52,685	34,360	86,926	76,832	107,260	318,400	262,360
TOWN %		5%	2.5%	5%	5%	5%	10%	10%
Project Development Duration	NA	4 Years	4 Years	4 years	4 Years	4 years	4 years	4 years
Construction Duration	NA	3 months	4 months	9 months	18 months	6 months	9 months	18 months
Closure Duration (If Applicable)	NA	NA	45 days	NA	NA	45 days	NA	NA
Typical Section - Roadway (feet)	27	27	32	32	32	32	32	32
Typical Section - Bridge (feet)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)	11/5 (32)
Geometric Design Criteria	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment	Substandard vertical alignment
Traffic Safety	No Change	Improved	Improved	Improved	Improved	Improved	Improved	Improved
Alignment Change	No Change	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Bicycle Access	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change
Pedestrian Access	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change
Hydraulics	Substandard BFW	Substandard BFW	Substandard BFW	Substandard BFW	Substandard BFW	Meets minimum standards	Meets minimum standards	Meets minimum standards
Utilities	NA	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change
ROW Acquisition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Road Closure	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No
Design Life	10	20	30	30	30	75	75	75

Preliminary Project Schedule

- Construction Start – 2025
 - Total Cost Estimate: \$2,145,200
 - Town Share: \$107,260 (5% share)

Next Steps – Bridge #15

This is a list of a few important activities expected in the near future and is not a complete list of activities.

➡ Wait for Town response to recommendation on proposed project

- Develop Conceptual plans and distribute for comment
- Process local agreements
- Right-of-Way process
- Updates on project plans and estimates at each submittal

For more information:

- <https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/12J634>



Jericho BF 0209(10) Questions and Comments

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