



**Ludlow Village BO 1443(52)**  
**Alternatives Presentation Meeting**  
**Town Highway 324 – Bridge #57 over Black River**

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# Introductions

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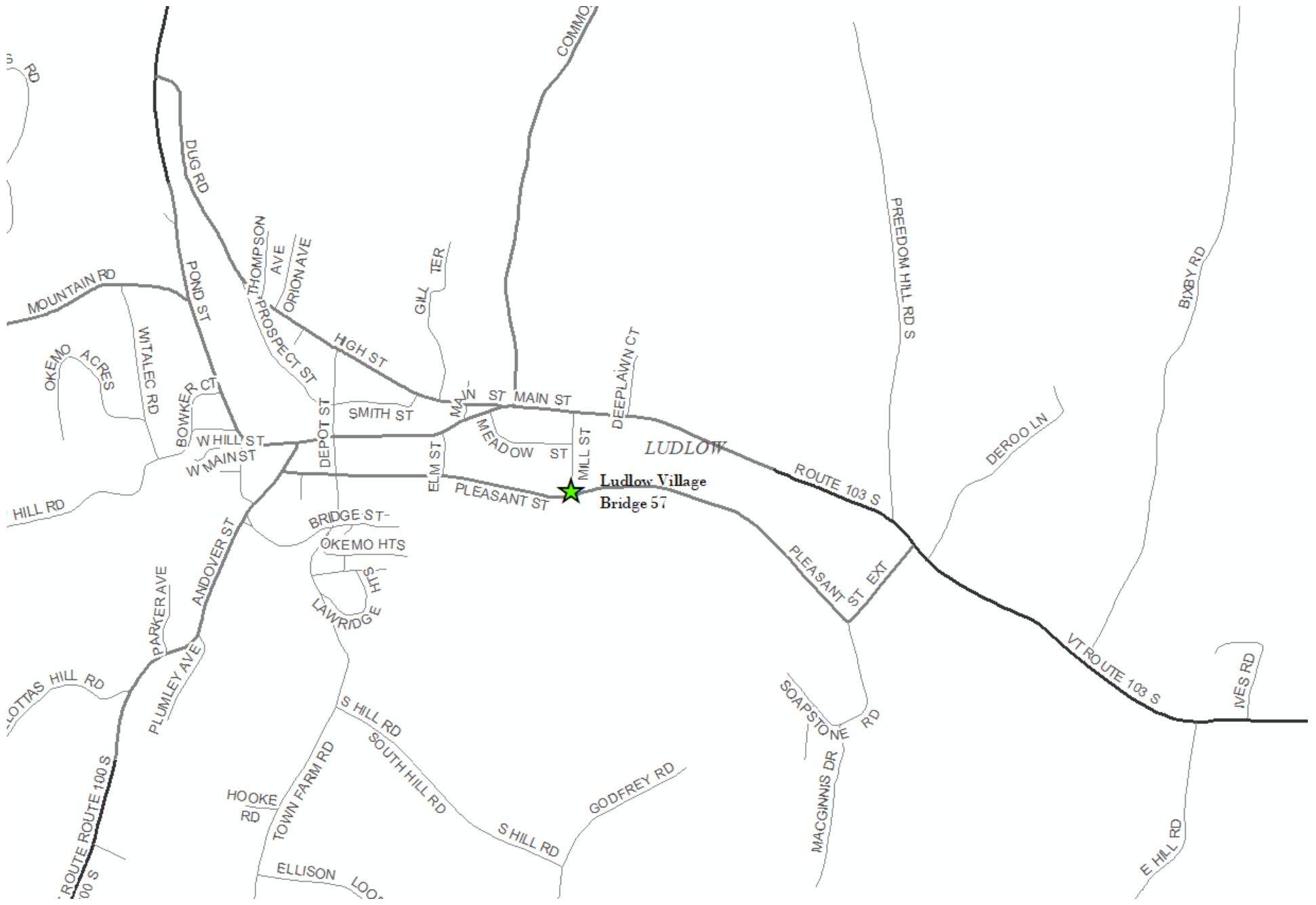
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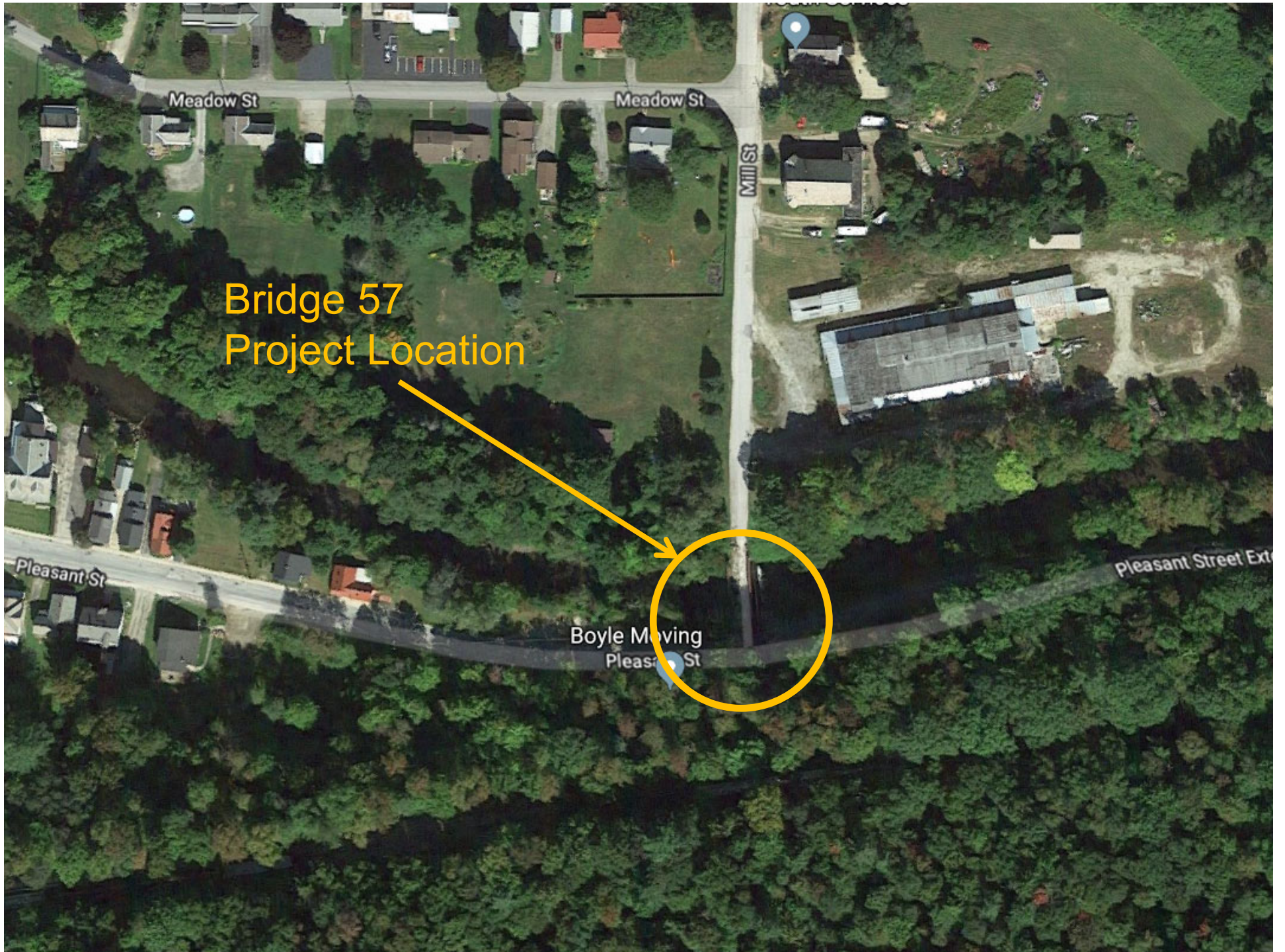
VTrans Historic Preservation Specialist

# Purpose of Meeting

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



Location Map

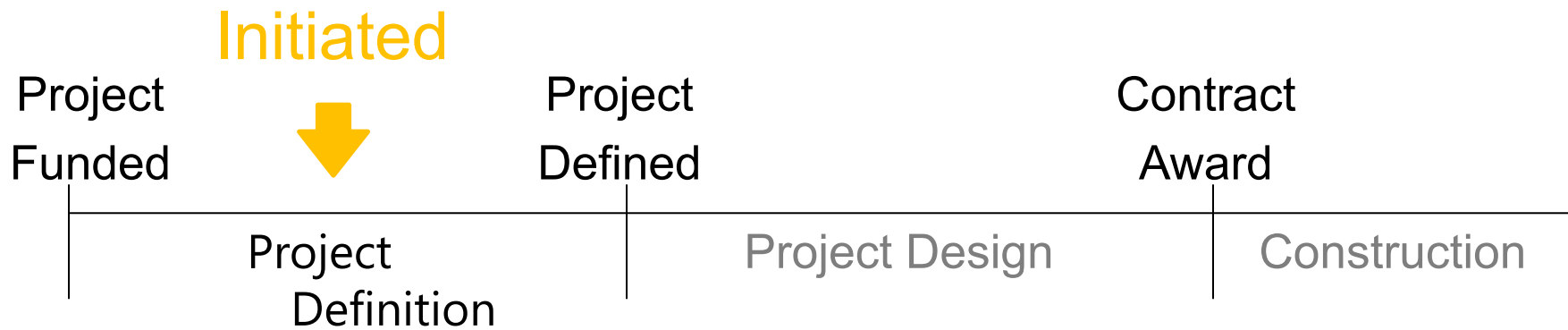


Bridge 57  
Project Location

# Meeting Overview

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

# VTrans Project Development Process

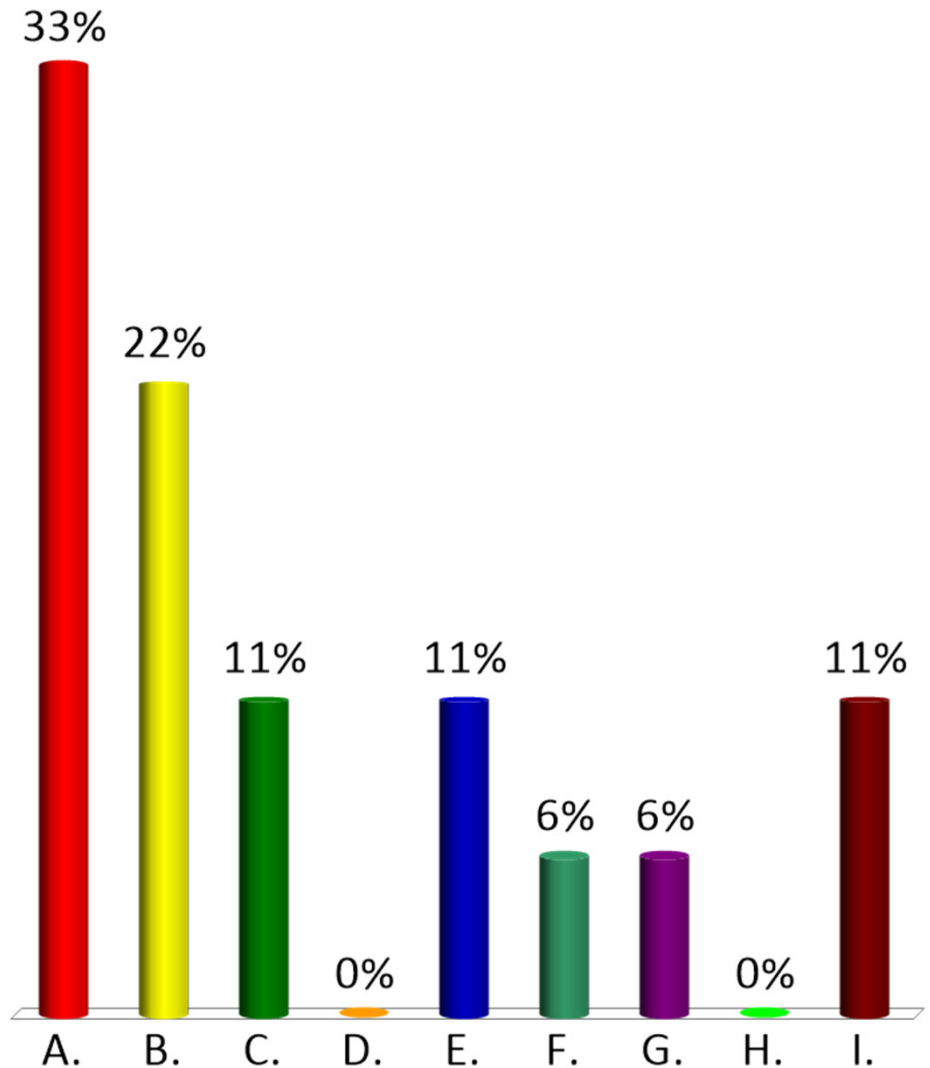


- Identify resources & constraints
- Evaluate alternatives
- Public participation
- Build Consensus

- Quantify areas of impact
- Environmental permits
- Develop plans, estimate and specifications
- Right-of-Way process if necessary

# Who are you representing?

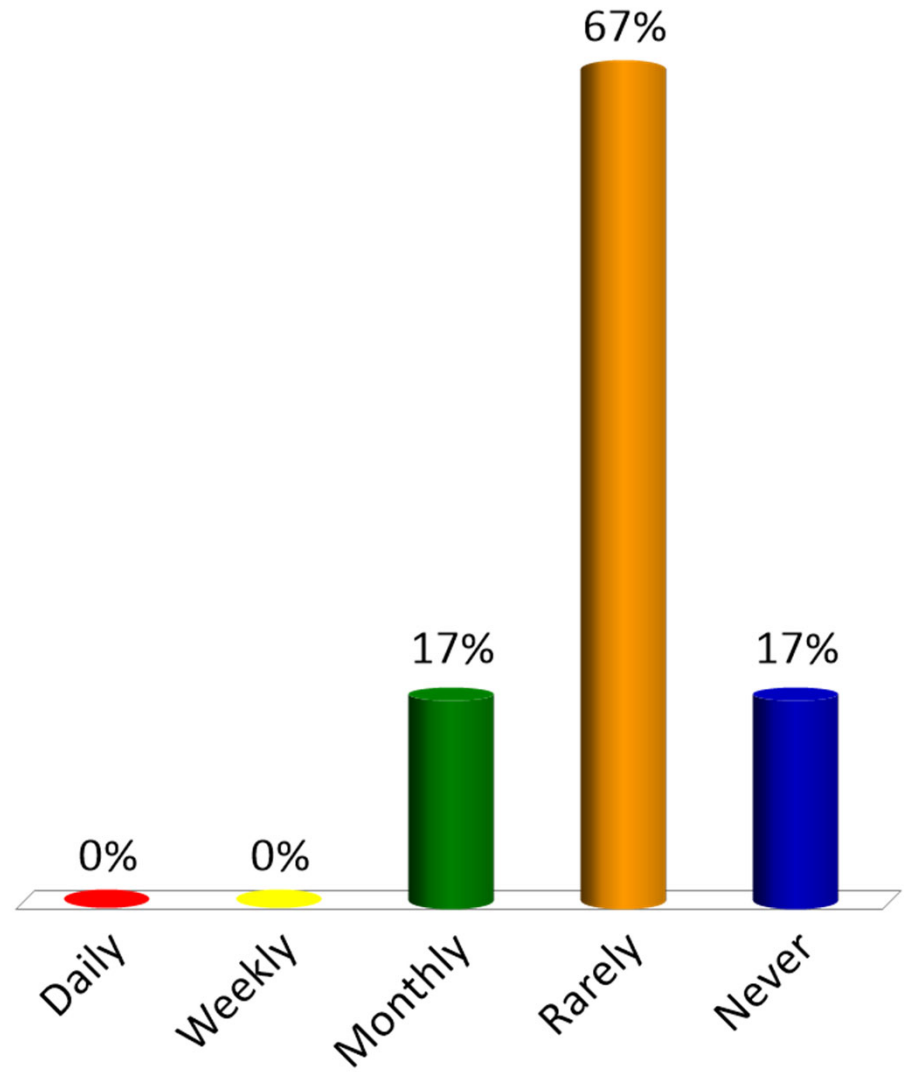
- A. Municipal Official
- B. Resident of Ludlow Village
- C. Property Owner in Immediate Vicinity
- D. School Representative
- E. Emergency Services
- F. Local Business
- G. Independent Organization
- H. Press
- I. Other





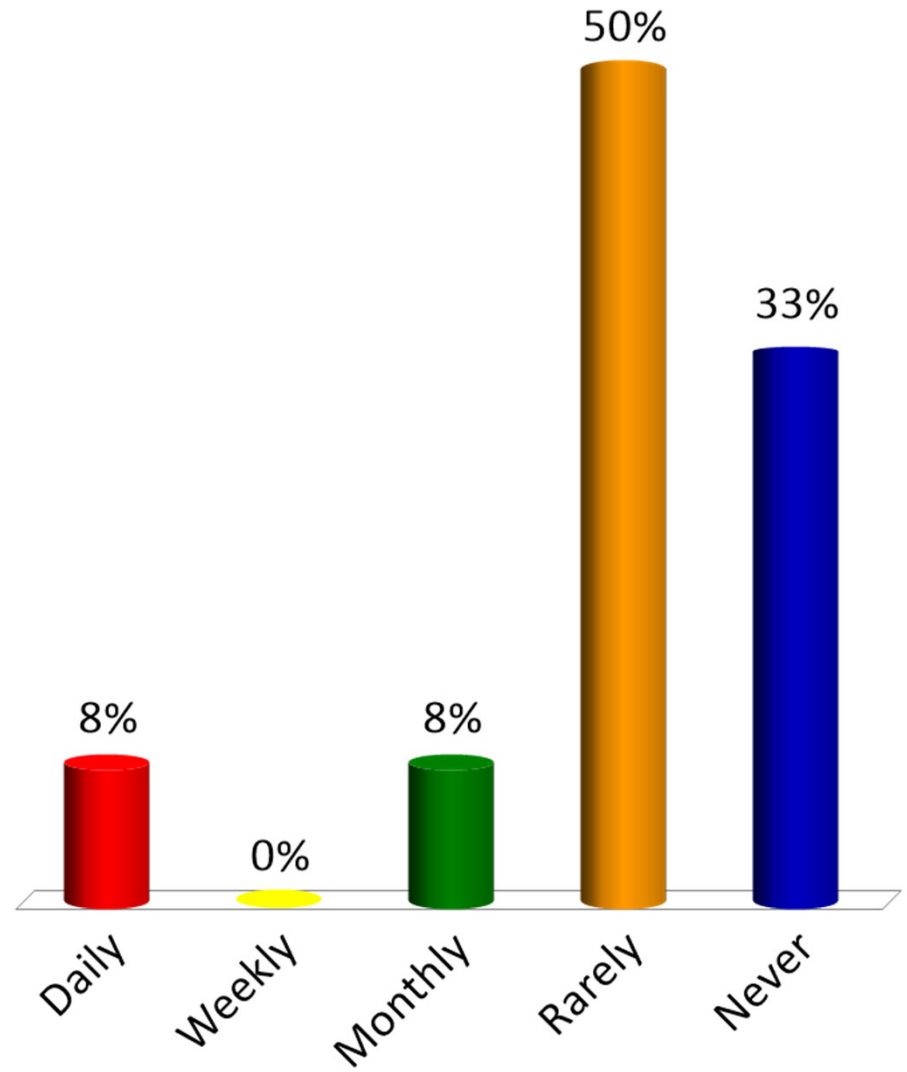
# How often do you use Mill Street?

- A. Daily
- B. Weekly
- C. Monthly
- D. Rarely
- E. Never



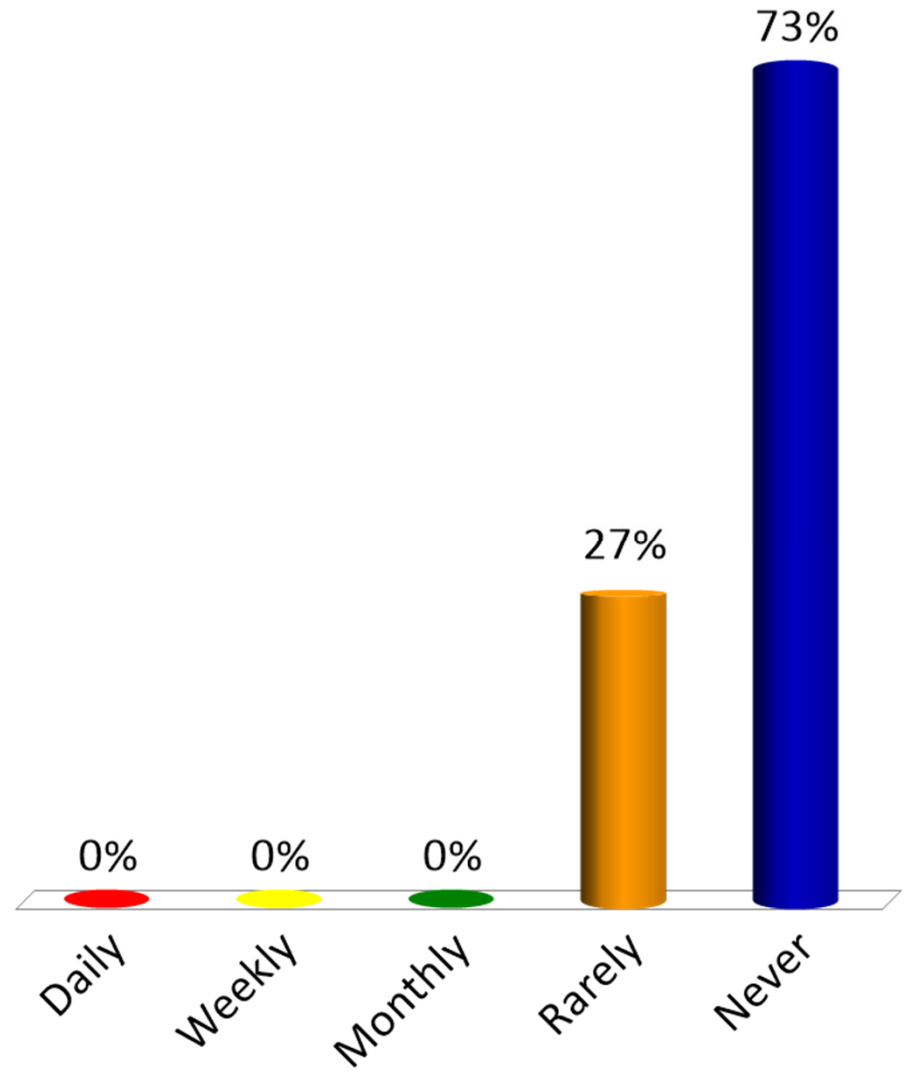
# How often do you walk over Bridge 57?

- A. Daily
- B. Weekly
- C. Monthly
- D. Rarely
- E. Never



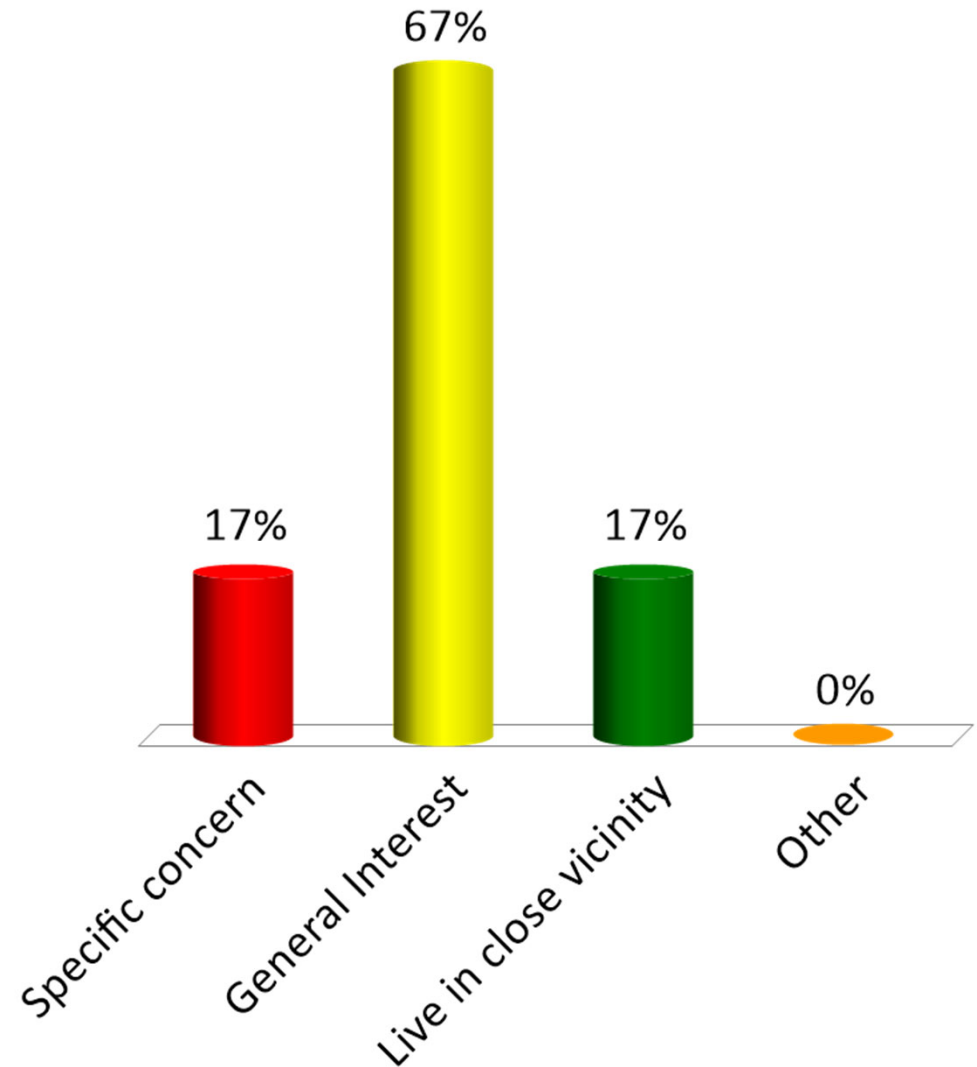
# How often do you bike over Bridge 57?

- A. Daily
- B. Weekly
- C. Monthly
- D. Rarely
- E. Never

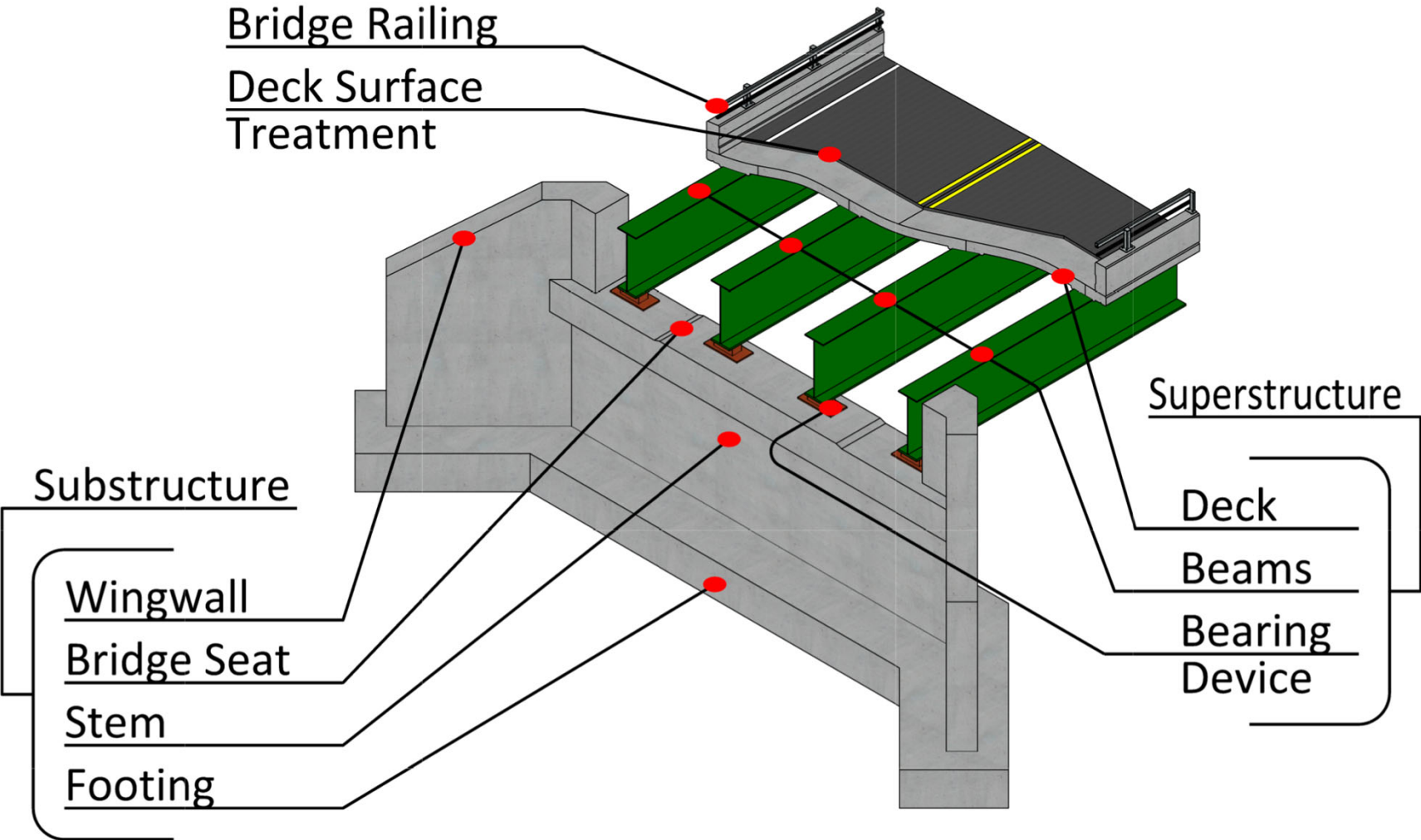


# What is your reason for attending this meeting?

- A. Specific concern
- B. General Interest
- C. Live in close vicinity
- D. Other



# 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 North over Bridge 57



### Existing Conditions – Bridge #57

- Roadway Classification – Local Road, Class 3 TH
- Bridge Type – 82' Long, Riveted Steel Warren Pony Truss
- Ownership – Town of Ludlow
- Constructed in 1929

# Existing Conditions – Bridge #57

- Bridge 57 is Structurally Deficient
  - Closed to vehicular traffic on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007 due to the amount of section loss in the gusset plate connections and floorbeams.
- The deck is in serious condition with large sections of spalling with exposed reinforcing steel on both the top and underside of the deck.
- The substructures are in poor condition. The abutment stems have cracks with leakage throughout as well as some areas of deep spalling.
- The existing bridge does not meet the minimum standard for width.
- The existing bridge railing is substandard.
- The bridge does not meet the minimum hydraulic standards.



## Condition Ratings



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

- Deck Rating 3 (Serious) 9/2013
- Superstructure Rating 2 (Critical)
- Substructure Rating 4 (Poor)

Northern Abutment



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Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

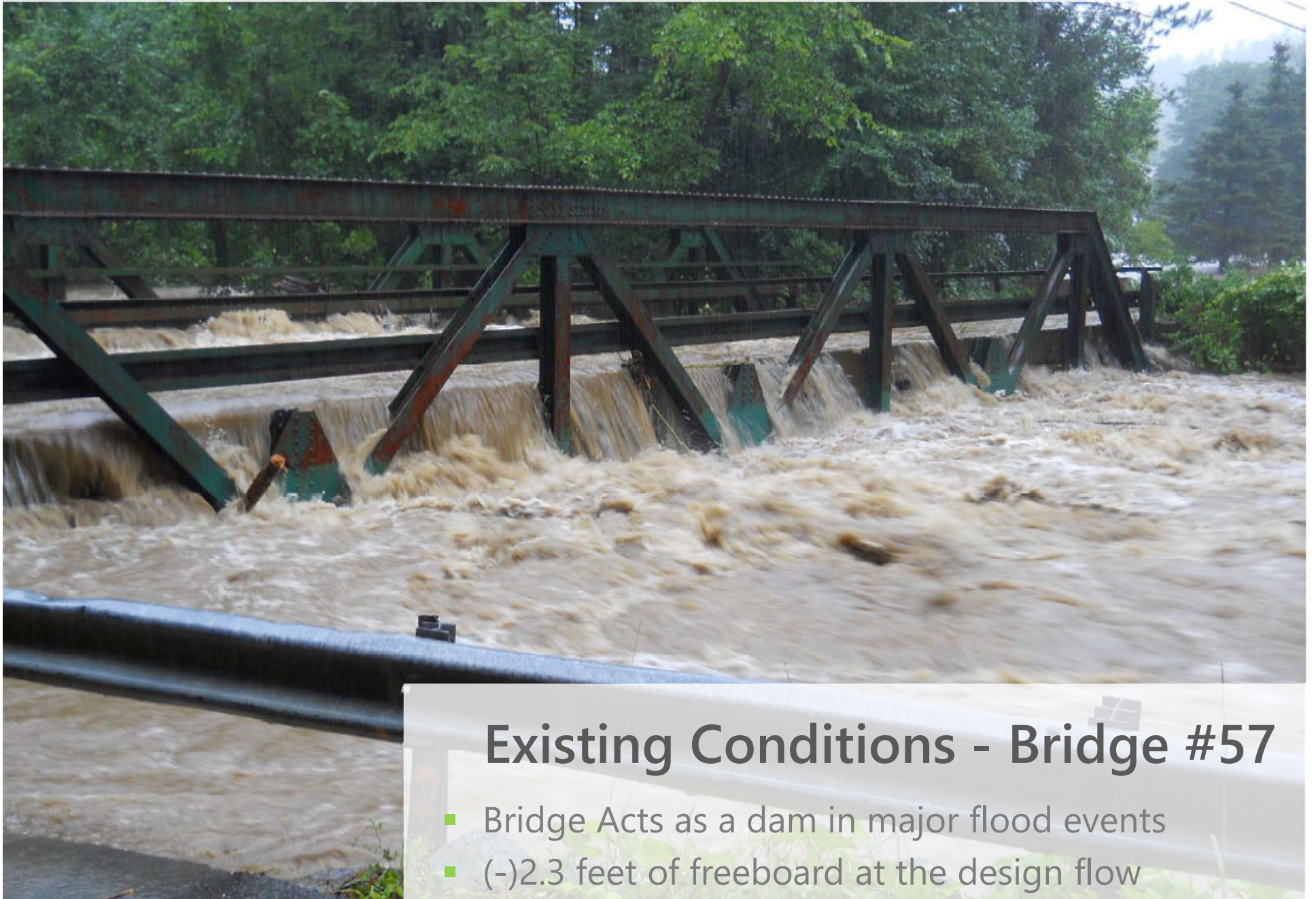
Southern Abutment



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Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

## Substandard Hydraulically (Tropical Storm Irene)



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

- Bridge Acts as a dam in major flood events
- (-)2.3 feet of freeboard at the design flow

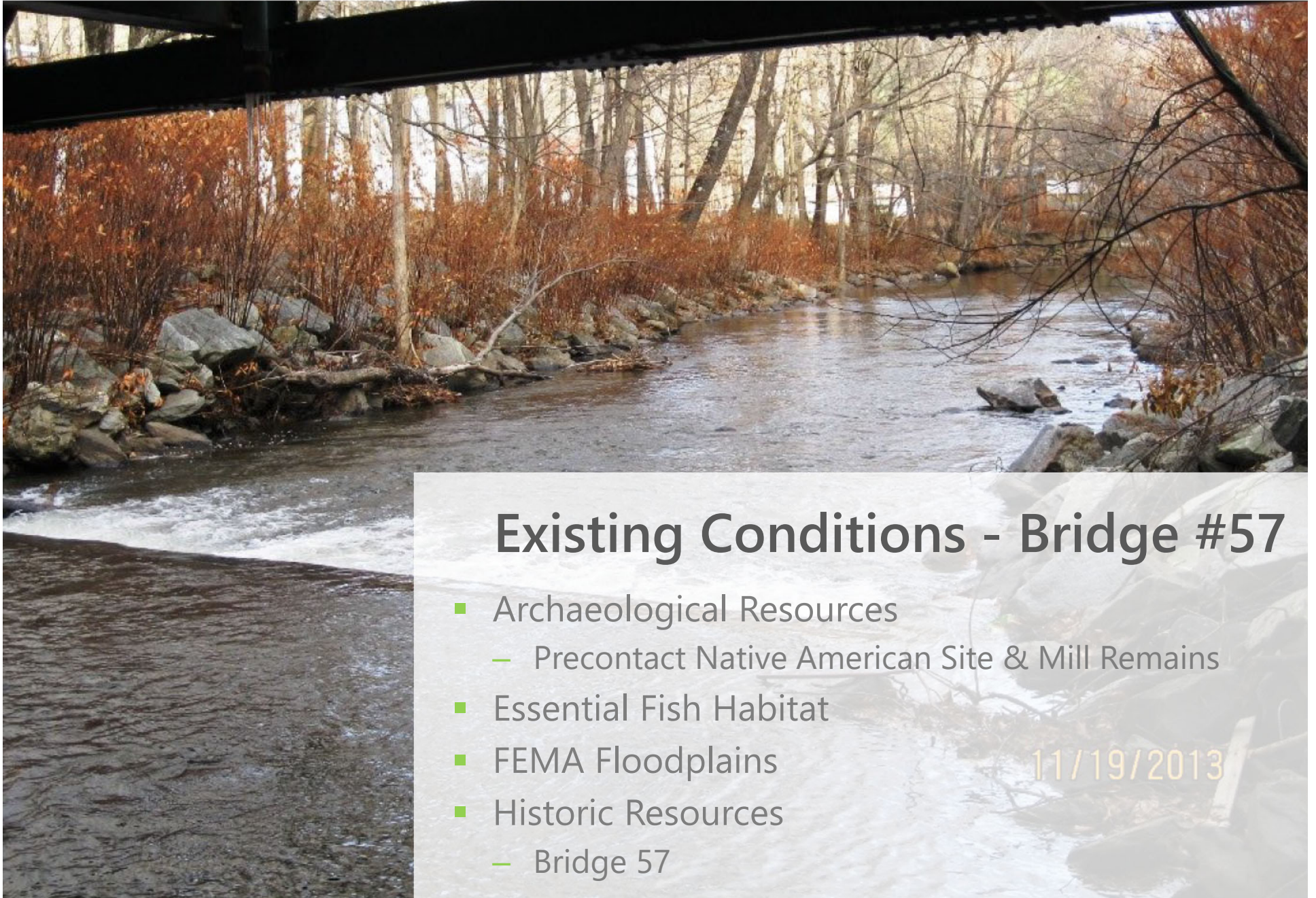
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### Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

- Contributes to higher floodwater elevations in the village

## Resources – Looking Downstream

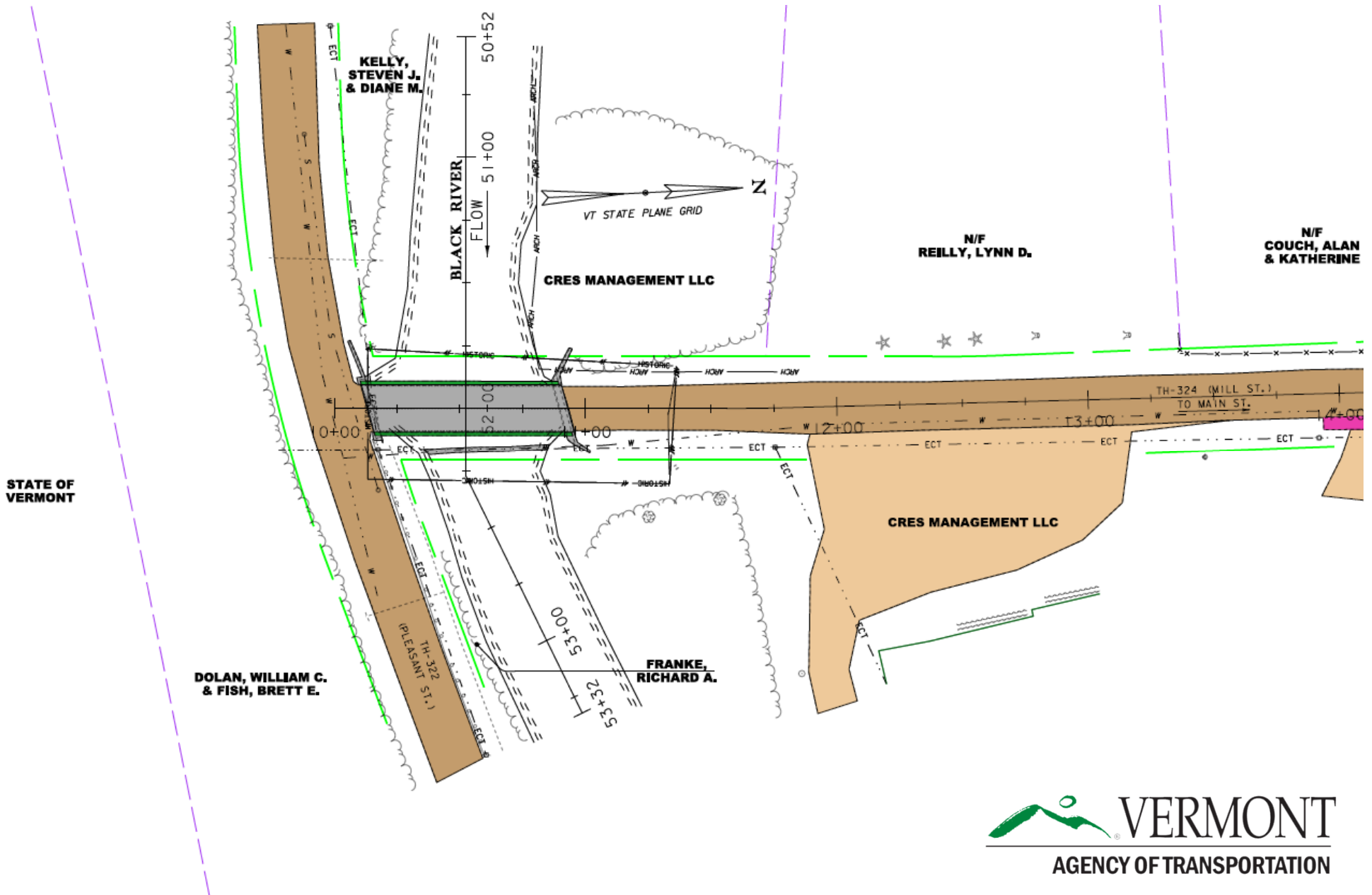


### Existing Conditions - Bridge #57

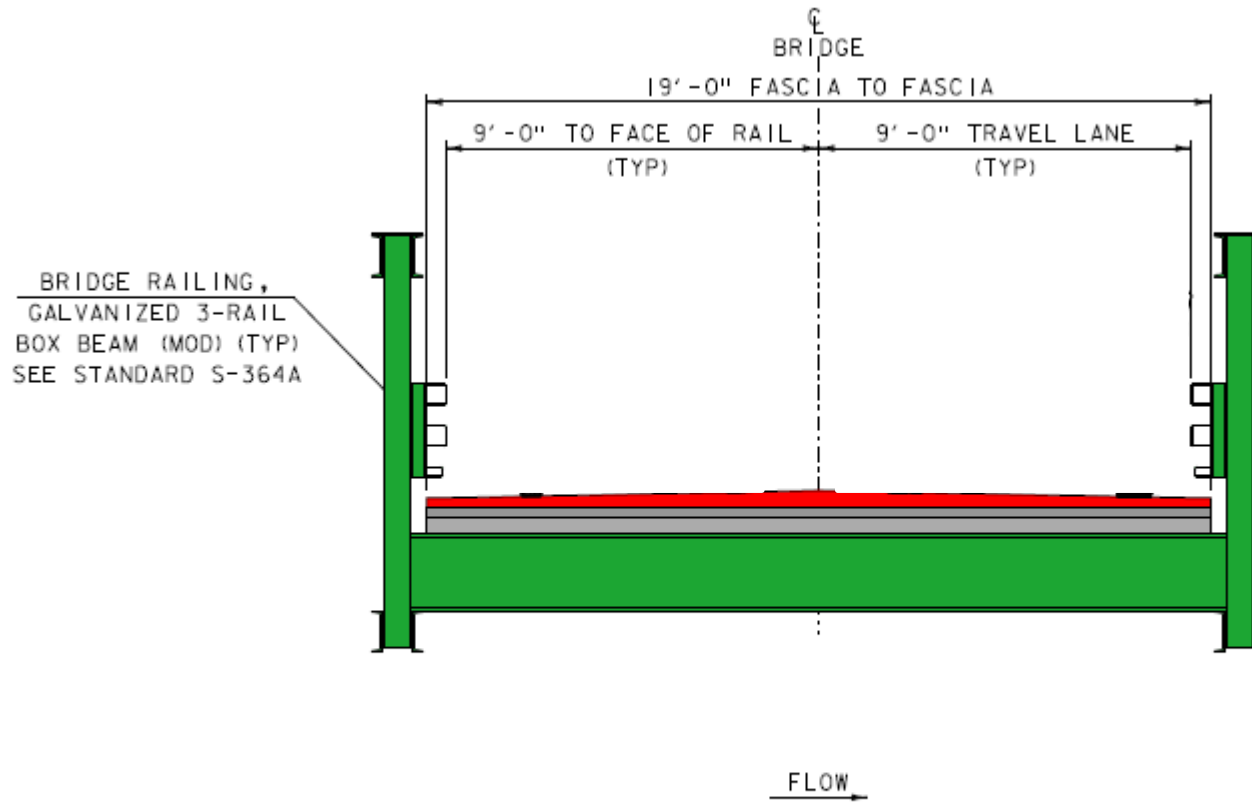
- Archaeological Resources
  - Precontact Native American Site & Mill Remains
- Essential Fish Habitat
- FEMA Floodplains
- Historic Resources
  - Bridge 57

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# Existing Conditions



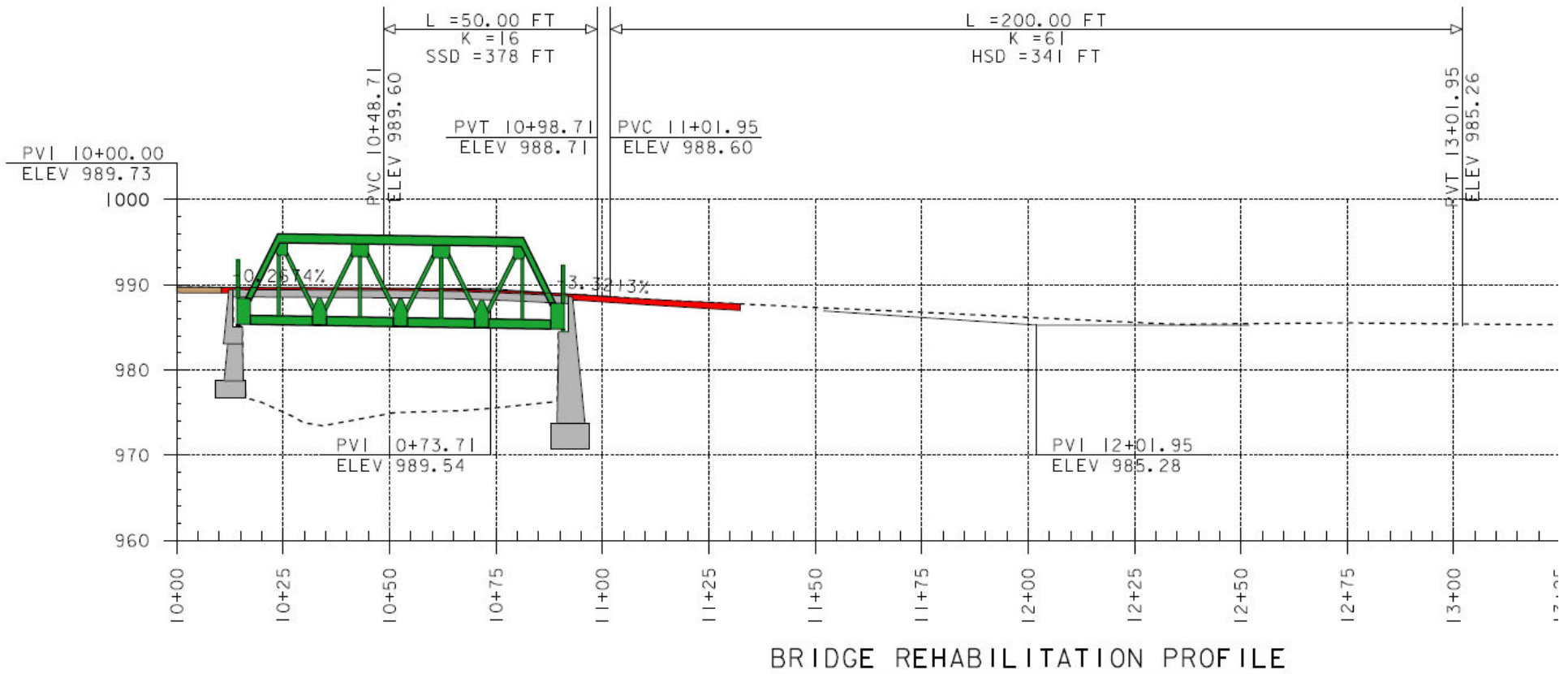
# Existing Typical Section



REHABILITATION TYPICAL SECTION



# Existing Profile



# Design Criteria and Considerations

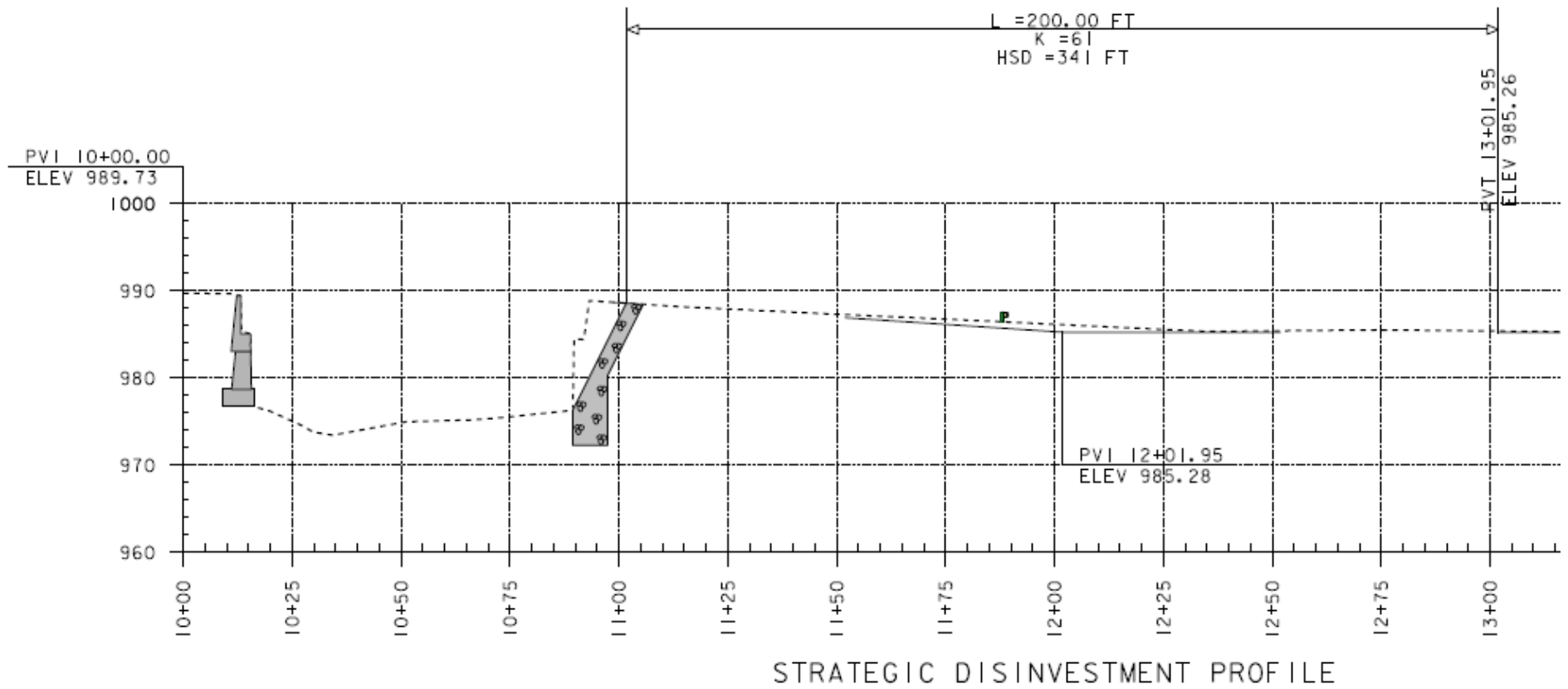
- Average Daily Traffic of 160 veh/day
- Design Hourly Volume of 30 veh/hr
- % Trucks: 9.3
- Design Speed of 25 mph

# Alternatives Considered – Bridge #57

- No Action
  - Additional maintenance required within 10 years
- Strategic Disinvestment
  - Removal of Bridge 57
  - Truck turn arounds would be constructed as needed
- Strategic Disinvestment with a Pedestrian Bridge
  - All future maintenance to pedestrian bridge would not be eligible under the TH bridge program
- Truss Rehabilitation
  - Structural deficiencies would be addressed
  - Rehabilitation for pedestrian loads or vehicular loads
  - Deck Replacement
  - Match Existing Typical Section: 0'-9'-9'-0' typical
  - 30-year design life
- Full Bridge Replacement
  - New Warren Pony Truss
  - Widen to standard, 2'-9'-9'-2' typical with a sidewalk
  - 75-year design life



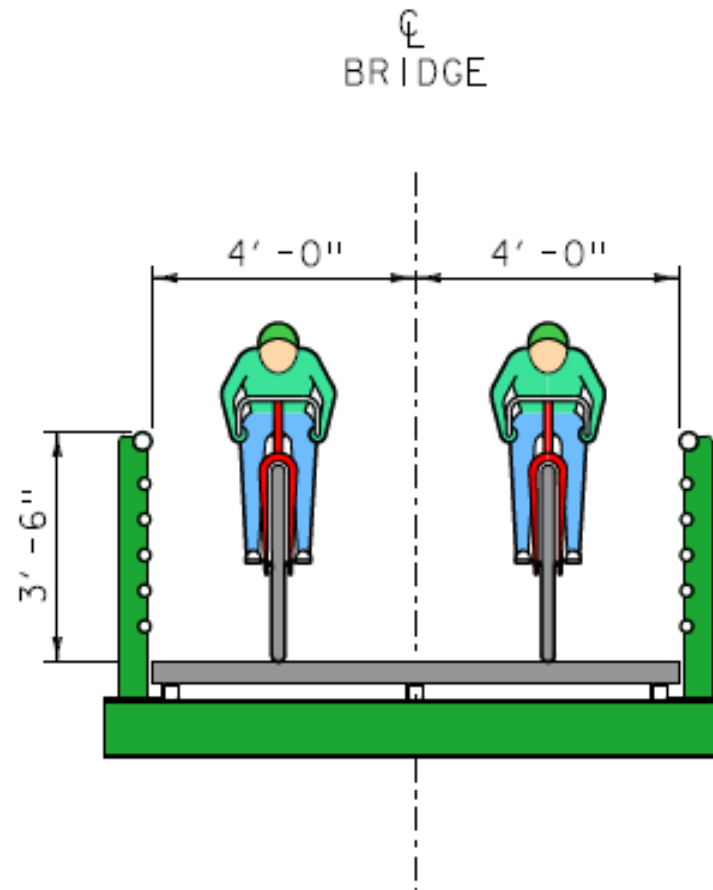
# Alternative 1: Strategic Disinvestment Profile



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Bridge removed
- Improved Hydraulic Condition

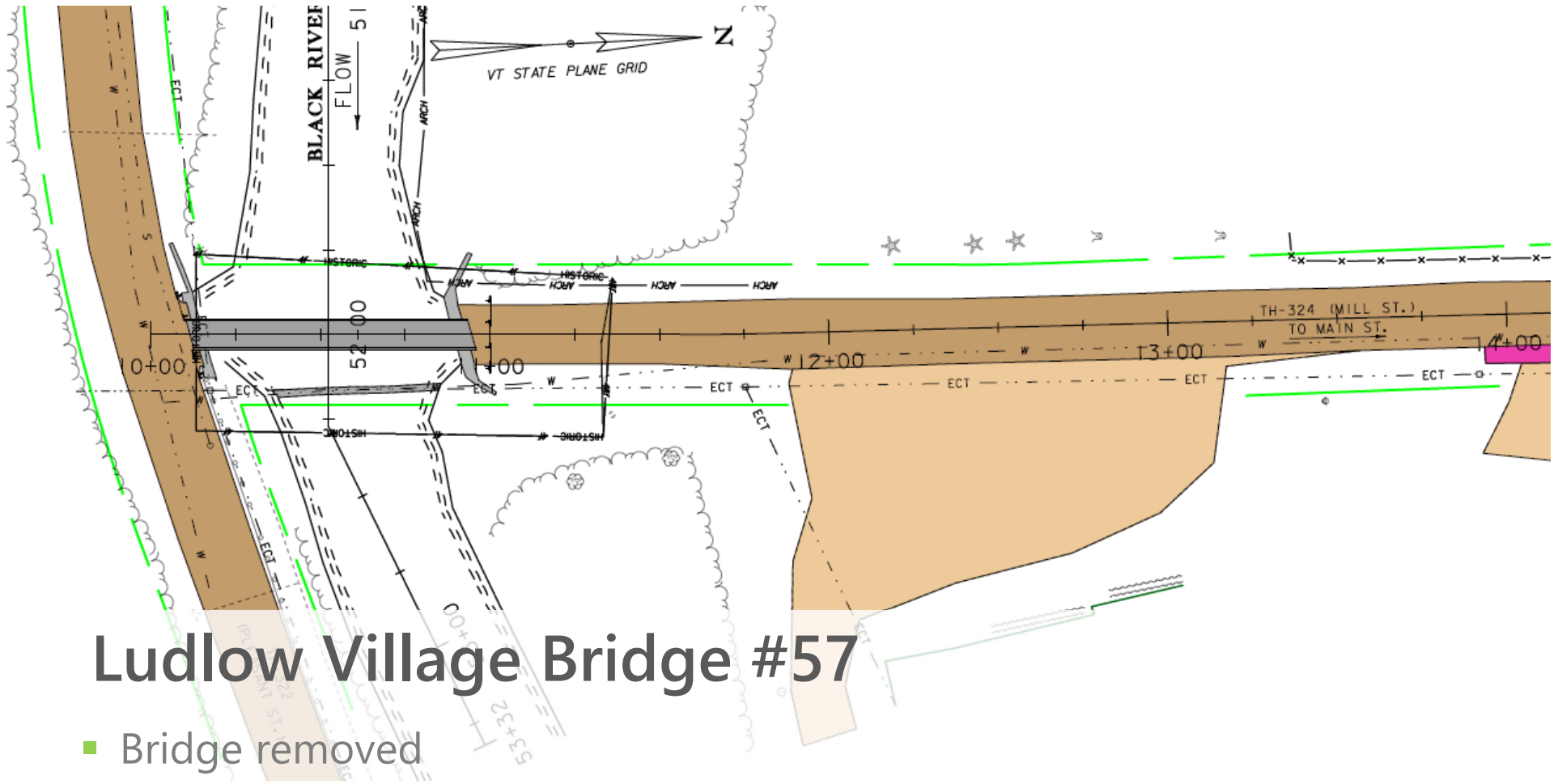
# Alternative 1b: Strategic Disinvestment with Pedestrian Bridge Typical Section (Recommended Alternative)



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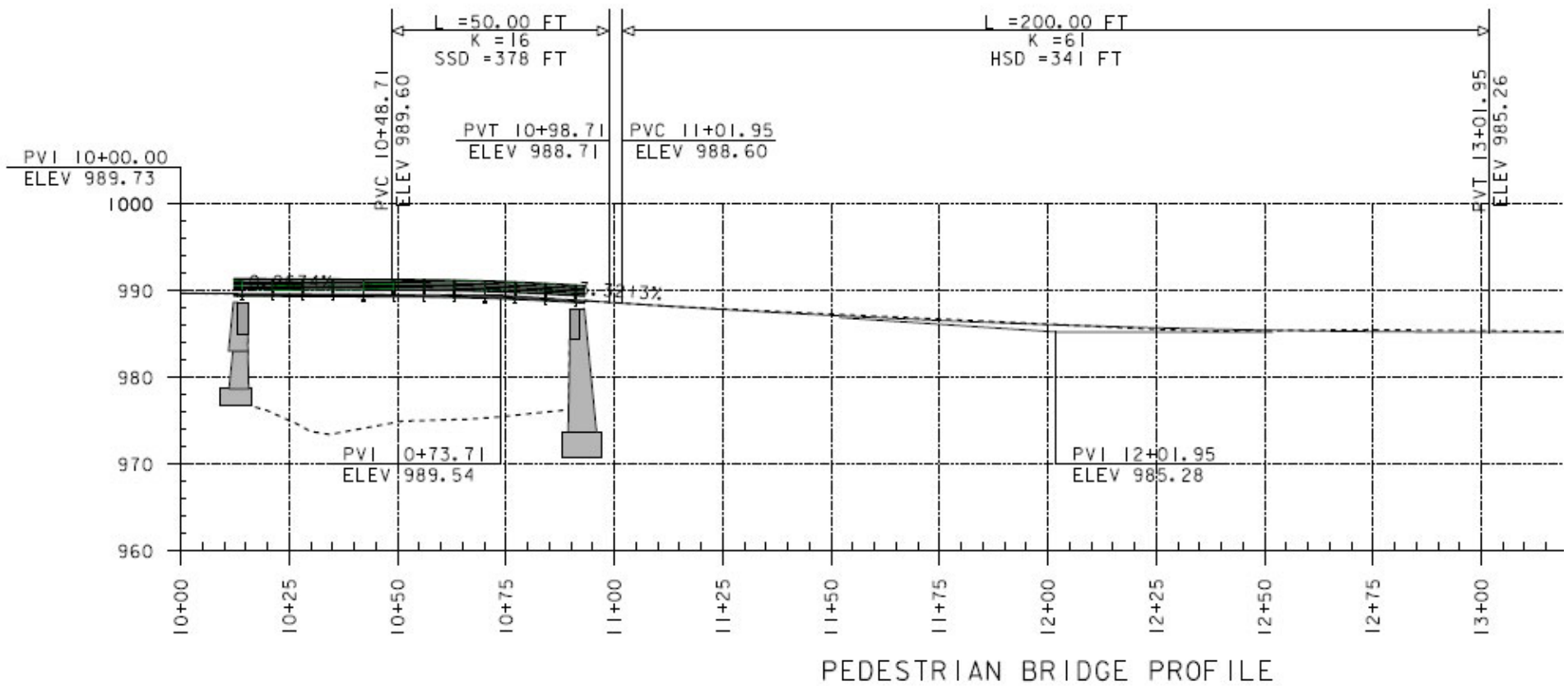
# Alternative 1b: Strategic Disinvestment with Pedestrian Bridge Layout (Recommended Alternative)



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Bridge removed
- New pedestrian structure constructed
- Low future maintenance costs
- Improved Hydraulic Condition

# Alternative 1b: Strategic Disinvestment with Pedestrian Bridge Profile (Recommended Alternative)

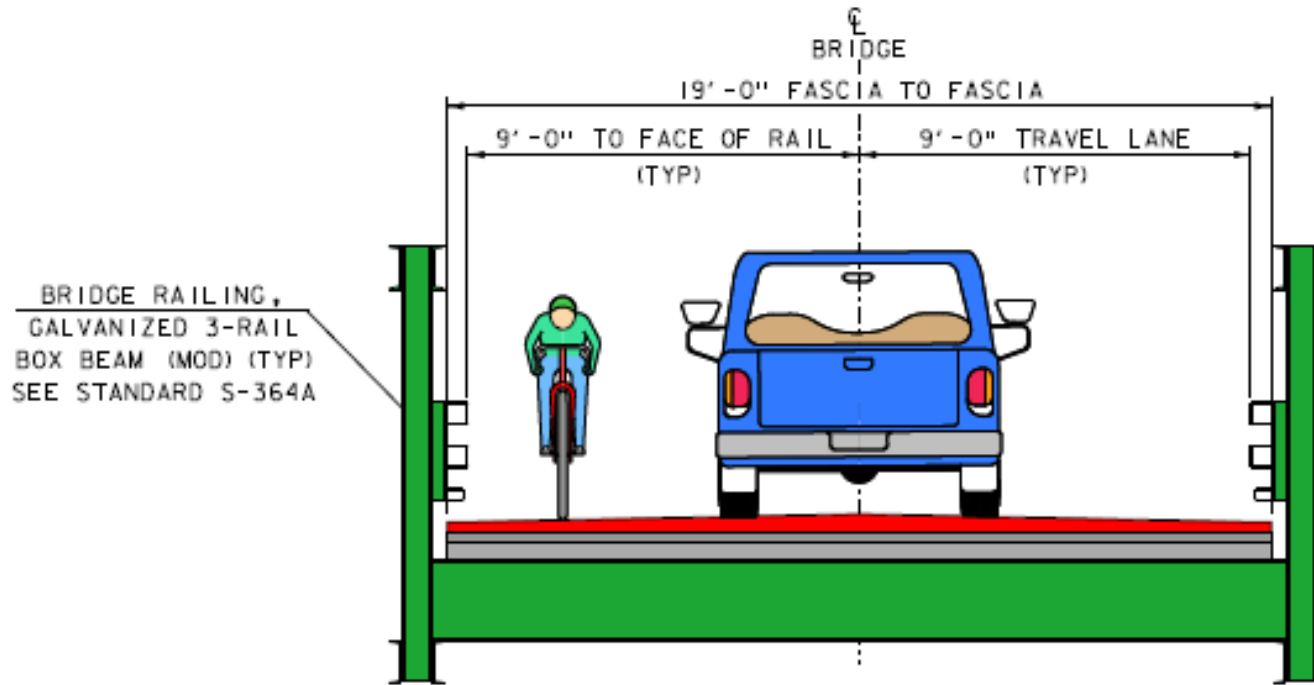


## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Shallow Superstructure for Improved Hydraulic Condition
- Cambered for Improved Hydraulic Condition



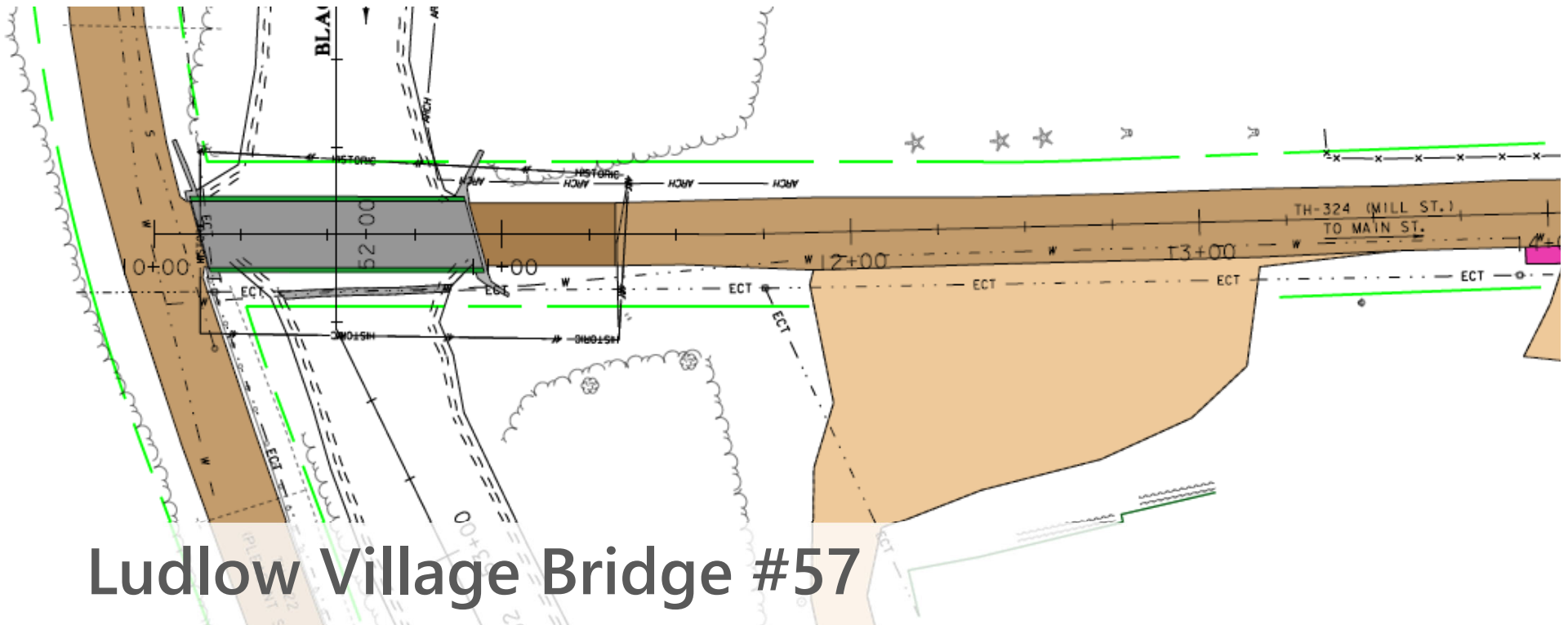
# Alternative 2: Truss Rehabilitation Typical Section



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- 0'-9'-9'-0' Typical
- Rehabilitated for pedestrian loads only or for a reduced vehicular loading
- Hydraulic Condition not Improved – superstructure depth remains unchanged

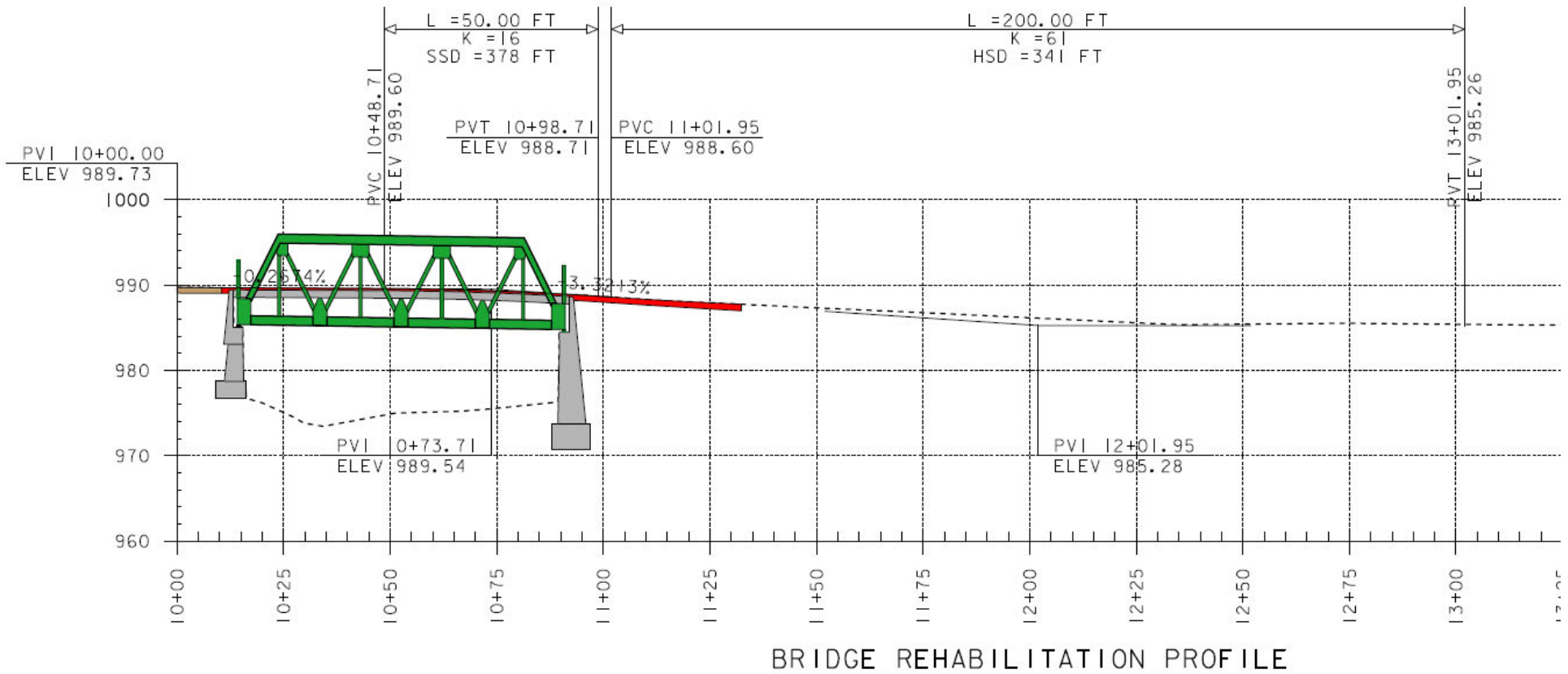
# Alternative 2: Truss Rehabilitation Layout



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Truss member replacement as necessary and a new cast-in-place deck
- Existing abutments to remain in place if rehabilitated for pedestrian loads
- New abutments poured if rehabilitated for vehicular loads
- 18' rail-to-rail bridge width
- 30-year design life
- 2.5% Local Share

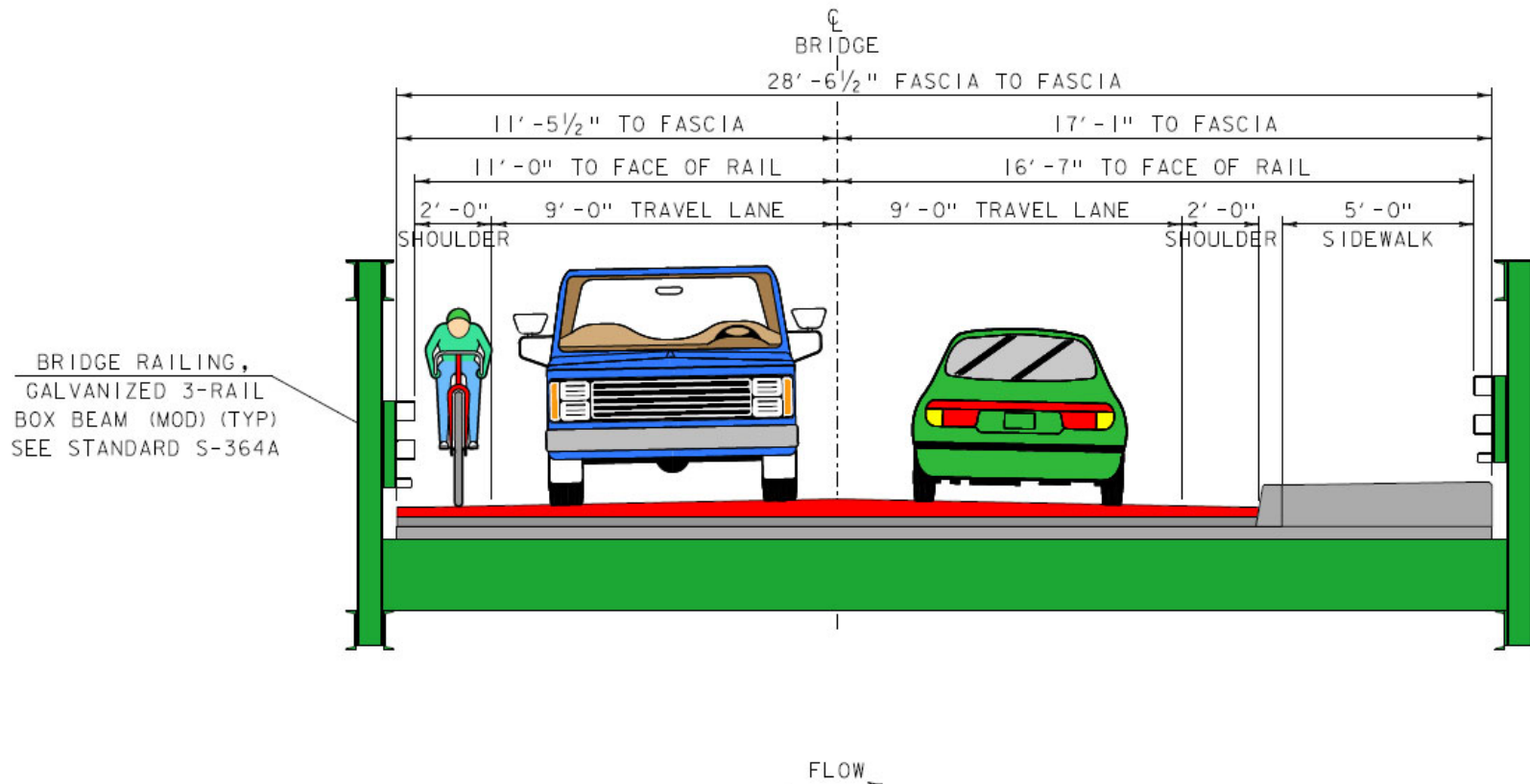
# Alternative 2: Truss Rehabilitation Profile



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Matches Existing
- Hydraulic Condition not Improved

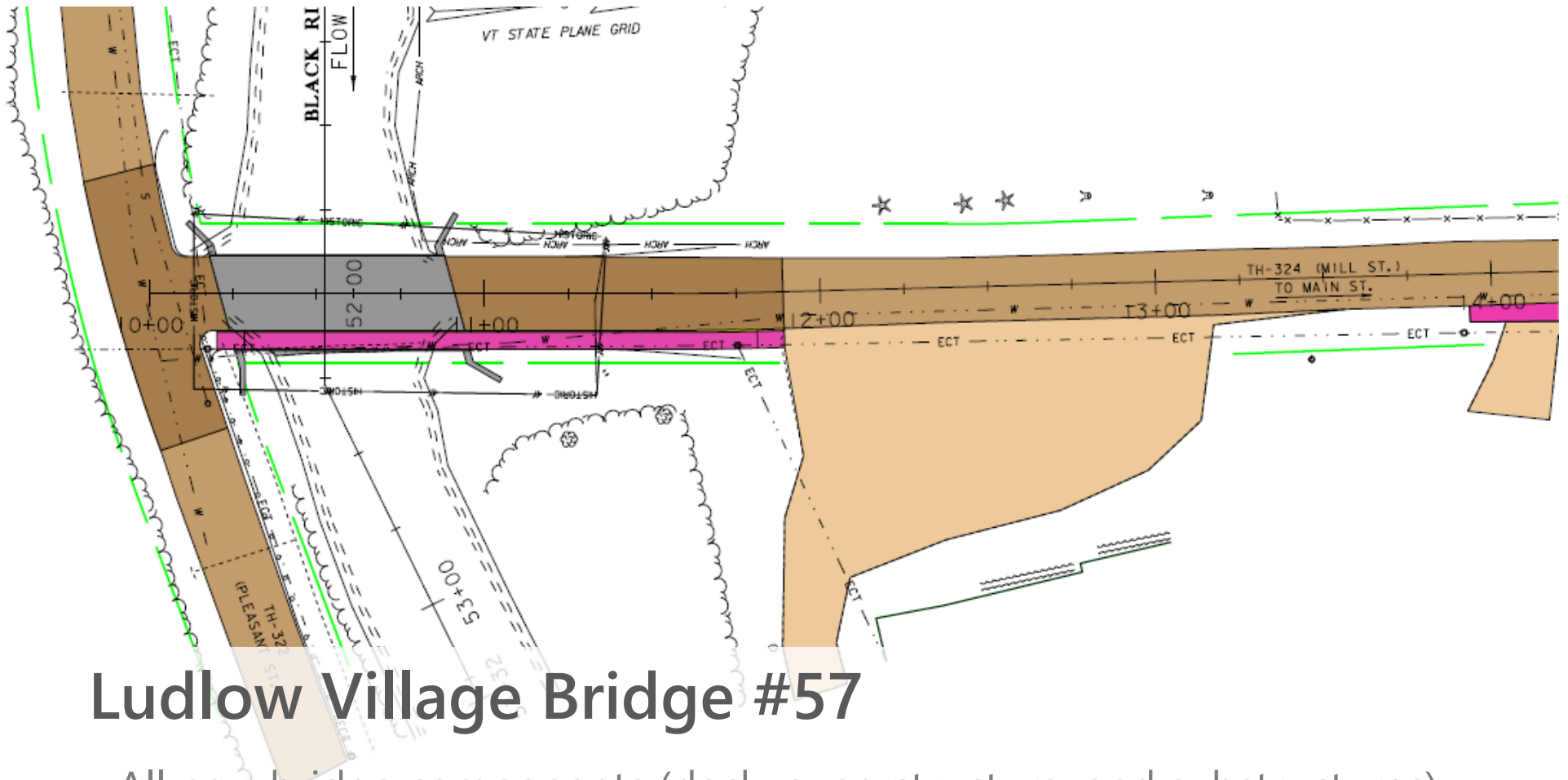
# Alternative 3: New Pony Truss Typical Section



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- 2'-9'-9'-2' with a 5' Sidewalk
- Modern HL-93 loading
- Hydraulic Condition not Improved – superstructure depth remains unchanged

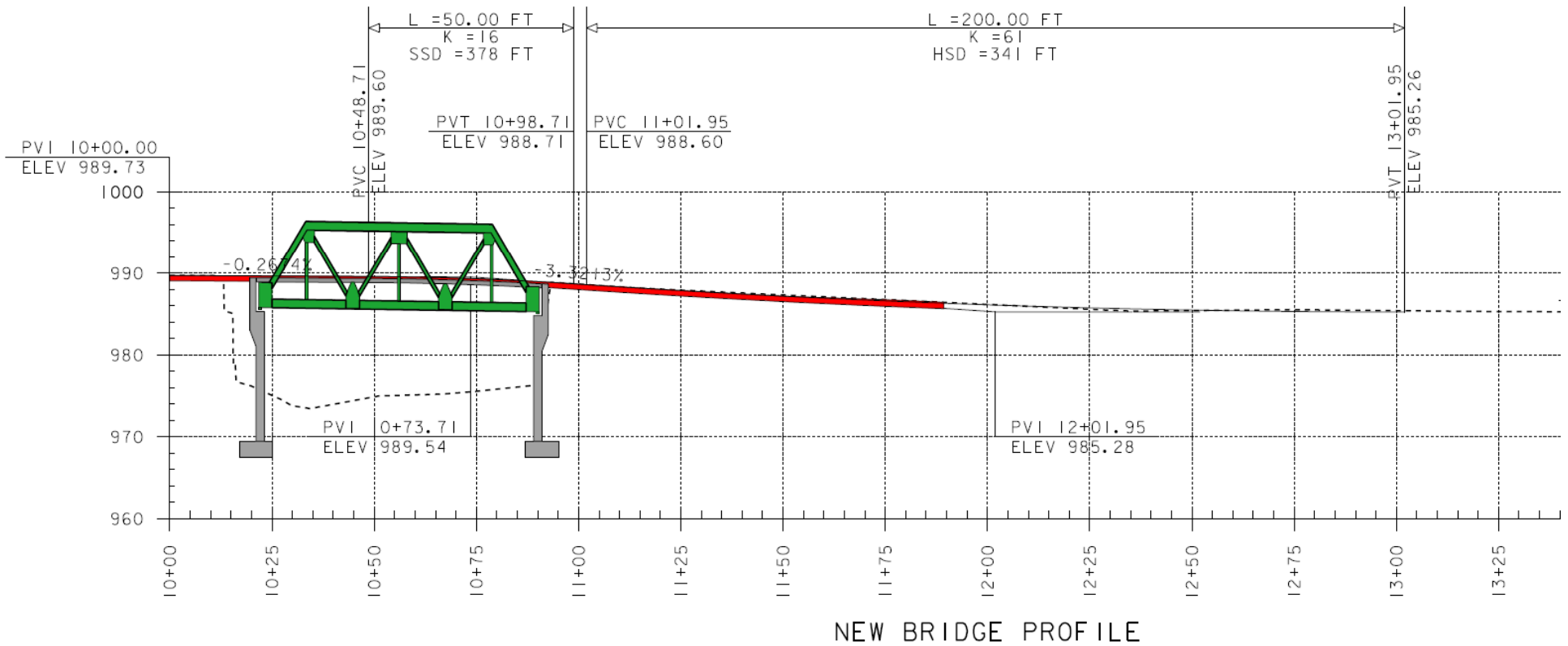
# Alternative 3: New Pony Truss Layout



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- All new bridge components (deck, superstructure, and substructures)
- 22' traveled bridge width
- 75-year design life
- 5% Local Share

# Alternative 3: New Pony Truss Profile



## Ludlow Village Bridge #57

- Matches Existing
- Hydraulic Condition not Improved

## What Will the New Bridge Look Like?



### Pedestrian Bridge

- 8' wide
- Cambered (arched) for Improved Hydraulics

# Maintenance of Traffic Options Considered

- Bridge has been closed since 2007 – makes sense to keep it closed through construction
  - By closing the bridge to traffic during construction, the local share is reduced by 50%



A photograph of a road closure barrier. The barrier consists of several horizontal white panels with red diagonal stripes. A central white sign with a black border and the words "ROAD CLOSED" in large, bold, black capital letters is mounted on two white posts. The barrier is positioned on a paved road, with a concrete curb and green foliage in the background under a clear blue sky.

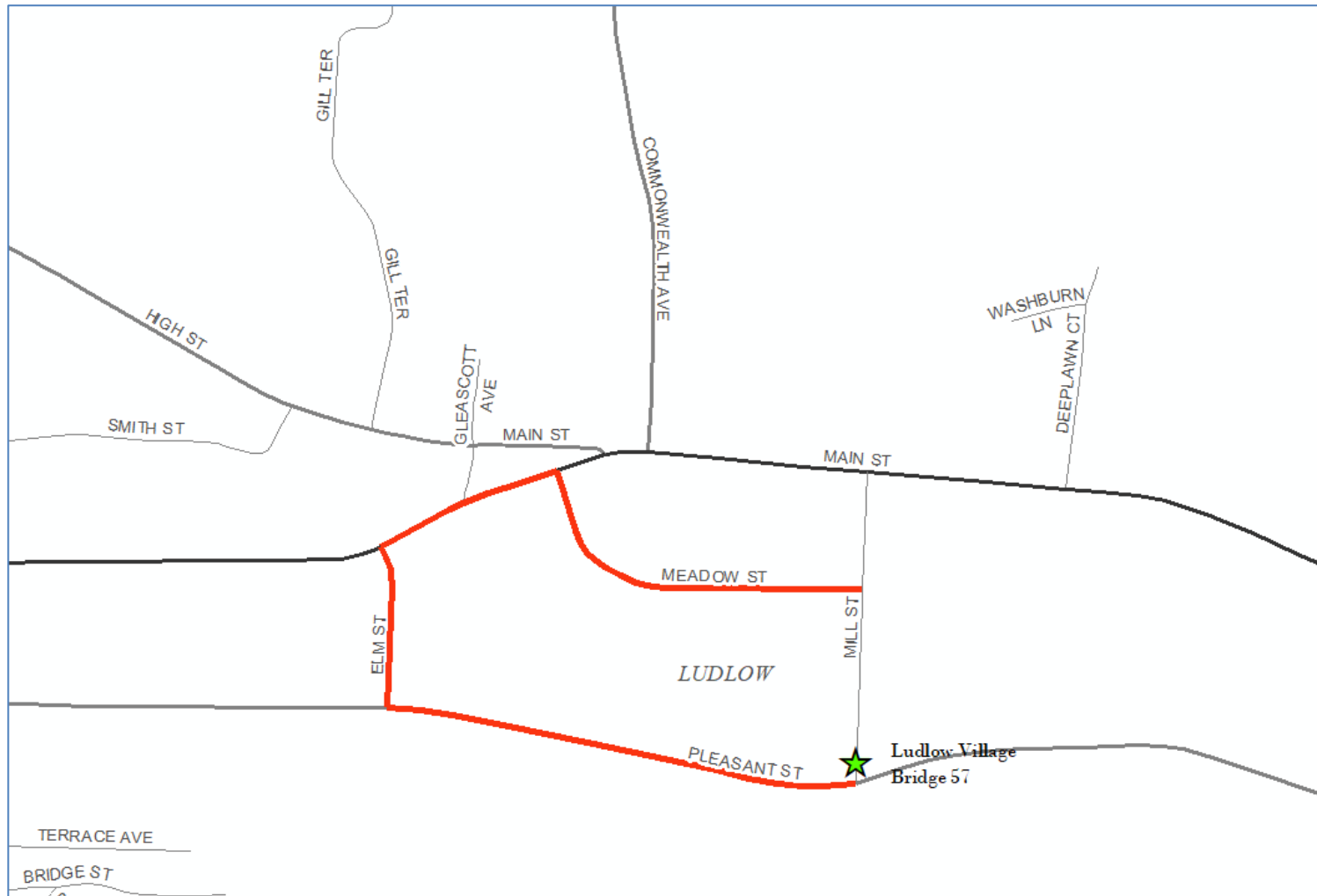
**ROAD  
CLOSED**

## Road Closure

- Detour signed by Town
- Road Closed since 2007
- 0.7 miles end-to-end

# Traffic Control – Pedestrian Detour

- The shortest pedestrian detour route, has an End-to-End distance of 0.7 miles



# Recommended Scope: Bridge 57

- Permanent Bridge Closure (Strategic Disinvestment) with a New Pedestrian Bridge
  - Pedestrians detoured during construction
  - Existing Bridge 57 would be removed
  - Improves hydraulic condition and floodwater elevations
  - All future maintenance to pedestrian bridge would not be eligible under the TH bridge program
  - Construction Year: 2023

# Alternatives Matrix

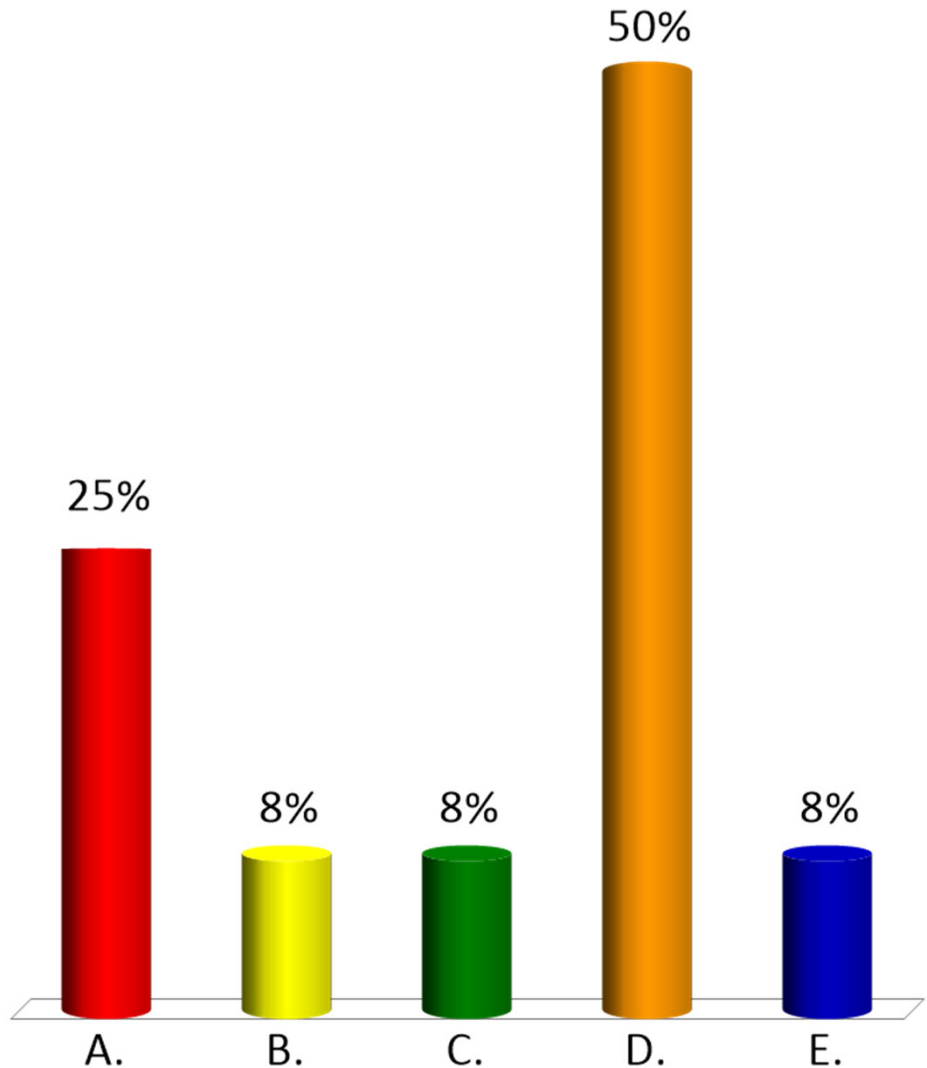
Ludlow Village BO 1443(52)	Do Nothing	Alternative 1: Strategic Disinvestment		Alternative 2: Truss Rehabilitation with Deck Replacement		Alternative 3: Full Bridge Replacement with a New Pony Truss
		a. No Pedestrian Bridge	b. Pedestrian Bridge	a. Rehabilitated for Pedestrian Use Only	b. Rehabilitated for Vehicular Loads	
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	\$0	\$410,384	\$620,297	\$1,596,610	\$2,584,360	\$2,201,153
Annualized Costs	\$0	NA	\$8,270	\$39,915	\$64,609	\$29,349
Town Share		\$10,260	\$15,510	\$39,915	\$64,609	\$110,058
Local %		2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	5%
Project Development Duration	N/A	2 Years	2 Years	4 Years	4 Years	4 Years
Construction Duration	N/A	2 Months	4 Months	4 Months	4 Months	6 Months
Closure Duration (If Applicable)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Typical Section - Roadway (feet)	18'	18'	18'	18'	18'	22'
Typical Section - Bridge (feet)	18'	N/A	6'	18'	18'	22' with sidewalk
Geometric Design Criteria	Substandard Width	N/A	N/A	Substandard Width	Substandard Width	Meets Minimum Standards
Traffic Safety	Functionally Deficient	N/A	N/A	Improved	Improved	Improved
Alignment Change	No	N/A	N/A	No	No	No
Bicycle Access	Meets Standard	Access Removed	Improved	No Change	Improved	Improved
Pedestrian Access	Meets Standard	Access Removed	Improved	No Change	Improved	Improved
Hydraulics	Meets Standard	N/A	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard
Utilities	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	Minor Aerial Relocation
ROW Acquisition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Road Closure	No	Indefinitely	Indefinitely	Yes	Yes	Yes
Design Life	<10 years	N/A	75	30	30	75

# Preliminary Project Schedule

- Construction Start – 2023
  - Total Cost Estimate: \$620,300
    - Town Share: \$15,500 (2.5%)

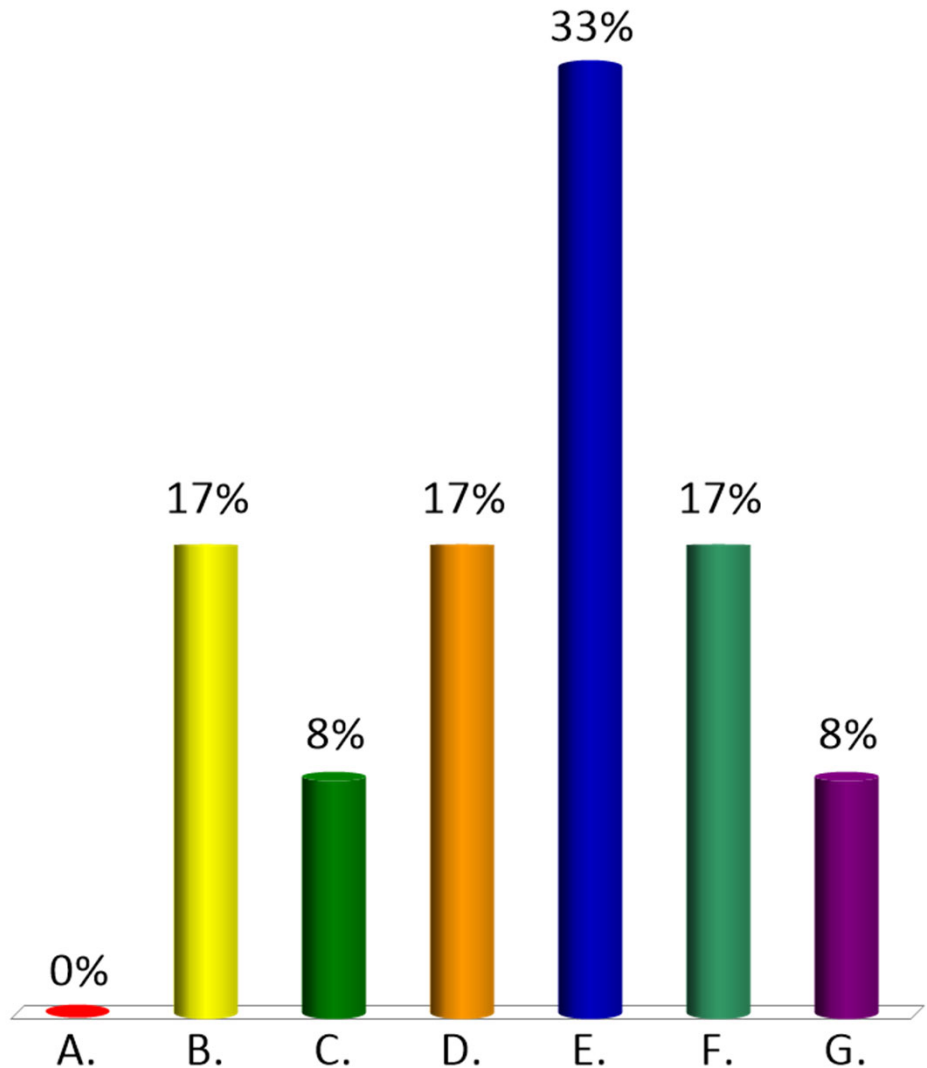
# Which design aspect is the most important to you?

- A. Shoulder width/bicycle accommodations
- B. Aesthetics - Bridge Railing
- C. Construction year
- D. Cost
- E. Other



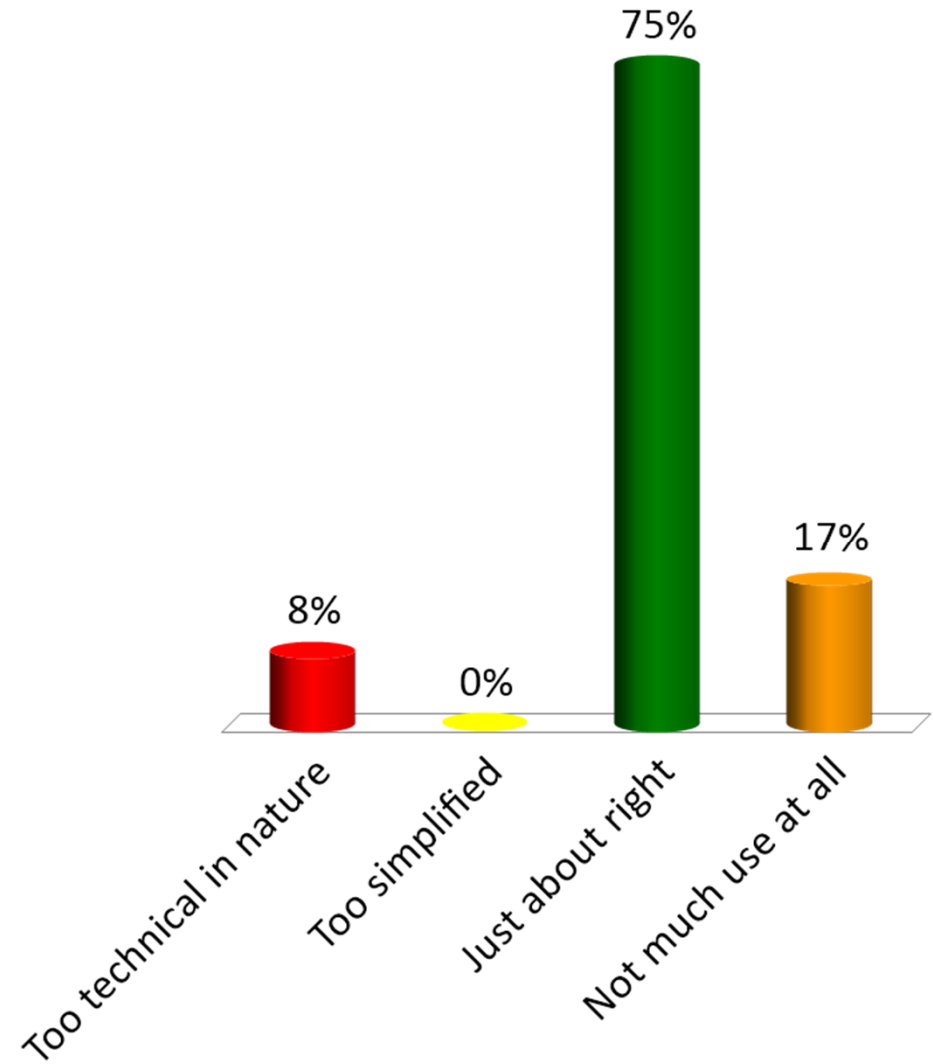
# Which would you be most concerned about?

- A. Bridge Aesthetics
- B. Environmental Impacts
- C. Business Impacts
- D. Property Impacts
- E. Safety
- F. Other
- G. Not Really Concerned



## Did you find this presentation to be?

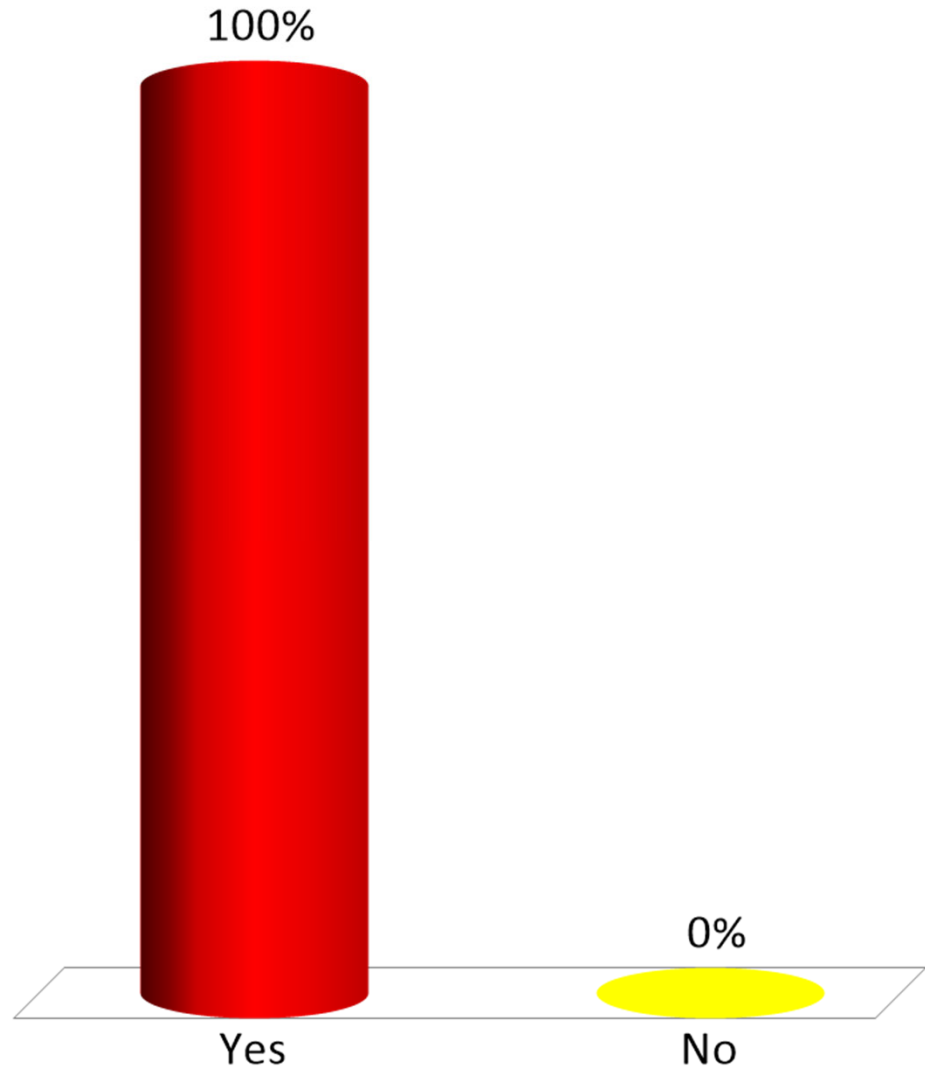
- A. Too technical in nature
- B. Too simplified
- C. Just about right
- D. Not much use at all





# Do you find the recommended scope of work satisfactory?

- A. Yes
- B. No



## Next Steps – Bridge #57

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
  - Request a Public Information meeting
  - Process local agreements
  - Right-of-Way process (if needed)

## For more information:

- <https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/12J638>



## Ludlow Village BO 1443(52) Questions and Comments

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