



# Salisbury-Cornwall BO 1449(45) Alternatives Presentation Meeting

**Town Highway 1/3 – Bridge 8 over Otter Creek**

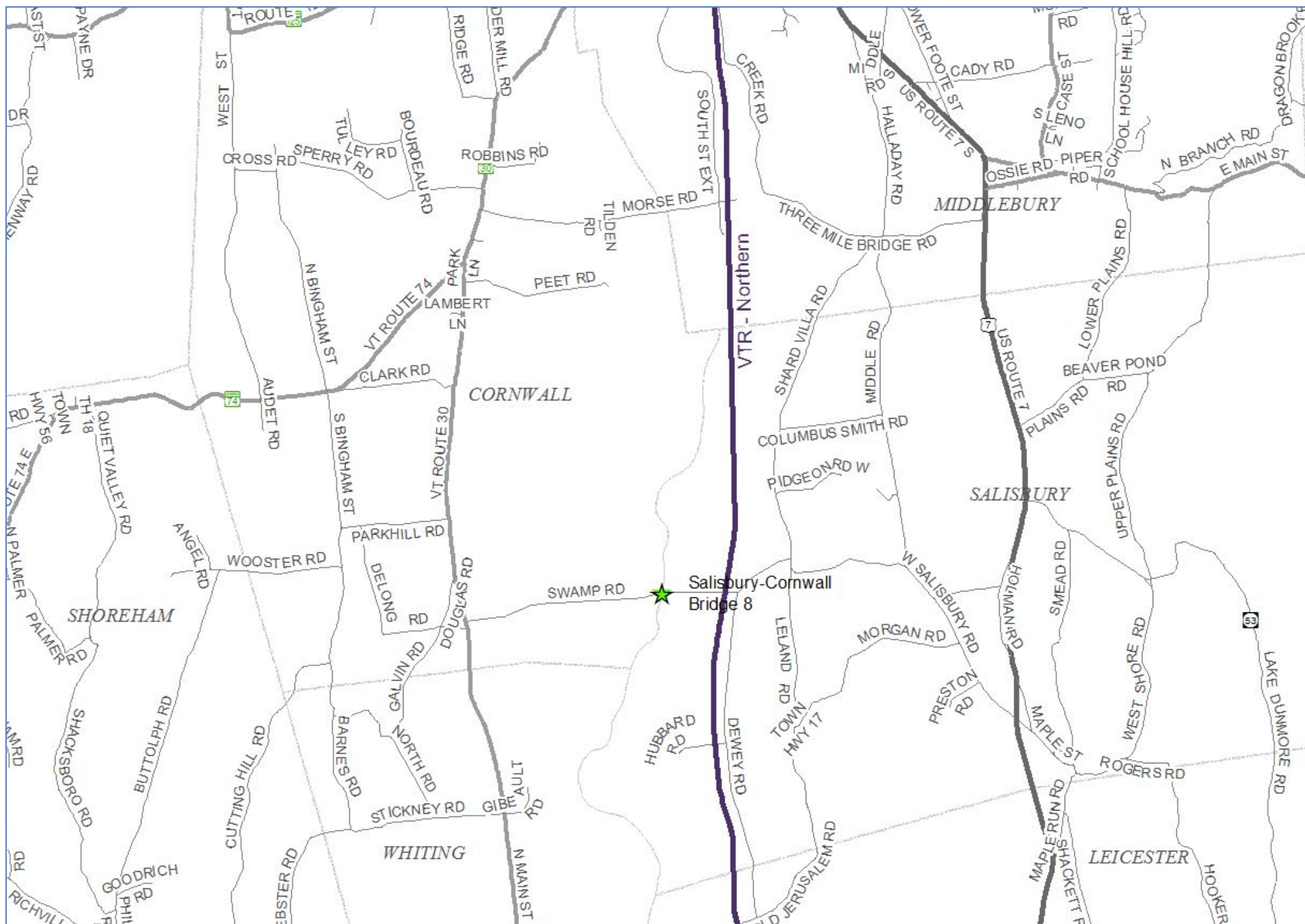
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# Introductions

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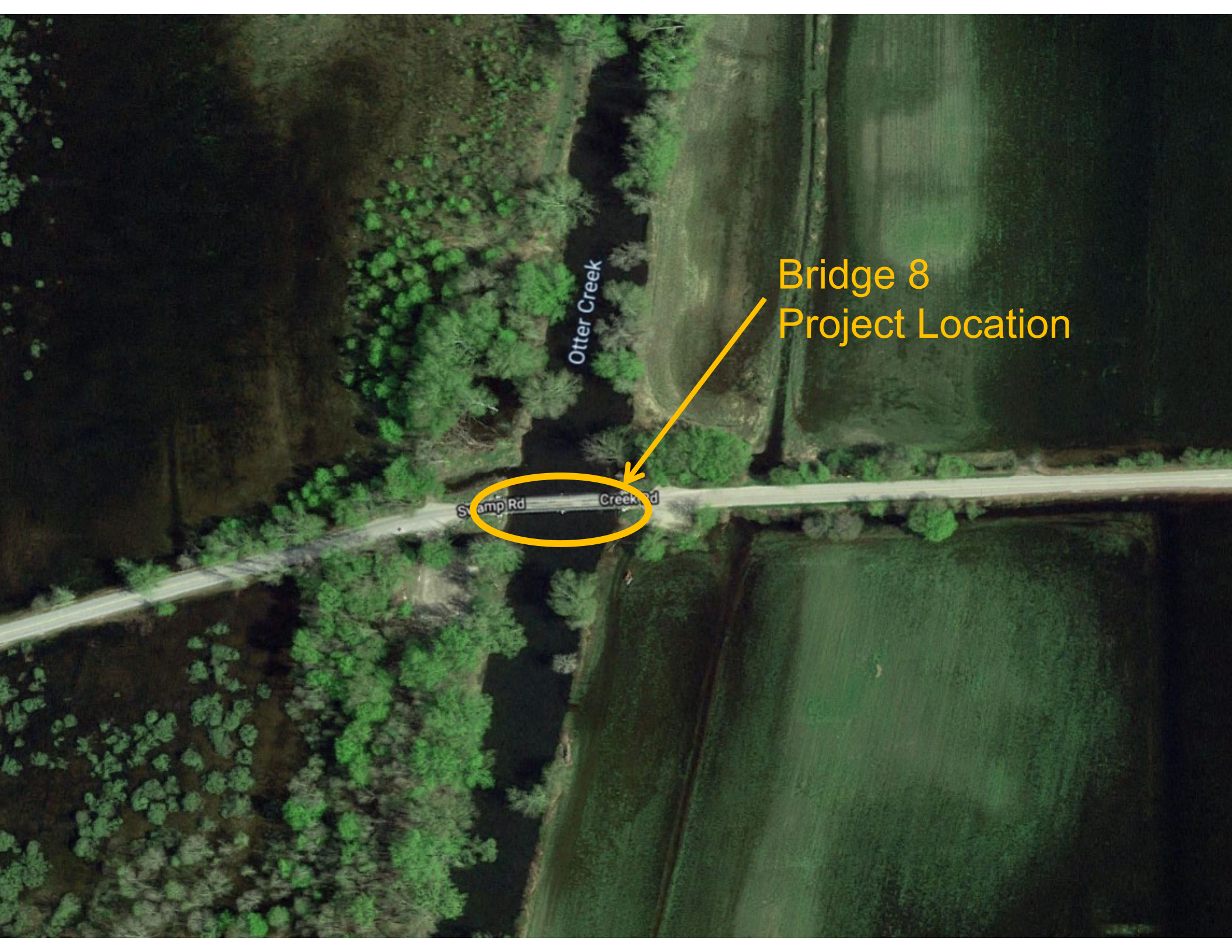
VTrans Scoping Engineer





## Location Map





Otter Creek

Swamp Rd

Creek Rd

Bridge 8  
Project Location

# VTrans Project Development Process



# 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 East over Bridge 8



## Existing Conditions – Bridge #8

- Roadway Classification – Local Road
- Bridge Type – 154' Span Town Lattice Covered Bridge
- Ownership – Towns of Salisbury and Cornwall
- Constructed in 1865, Reconstructed in 2008

## Looking West over Bridge 8



## Existing Conditions – Bridge #8

- Temporary bridge in place

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# Existing Conditions – Bridge #8

- The structure was destroyed by a fire in 2016 and needs replacing.
- The existing roadway is substandard in width for the speed and traffic volumes present.

## Condition Ratings

### Existing Conditions - Bridge #8

- Deck Rating 0 (Failed)
- Superstructure Rating 0 (Failed)
- Substructure Rating 6 (Satisfactory)



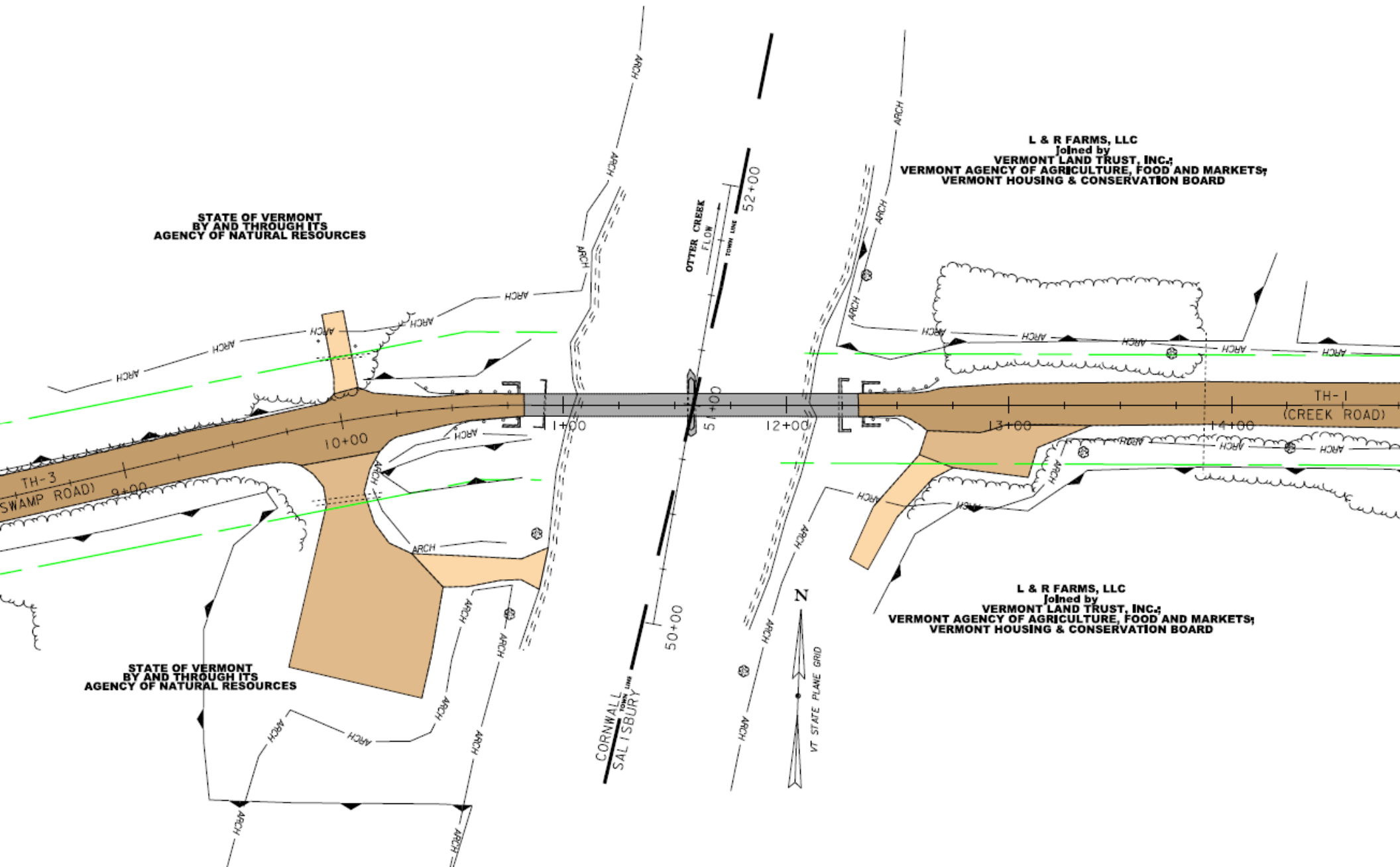




## Existing Conditions – Bridge #8

- The Cedar Swamp, a 6,619-acre wetland complex
- Several RTE species
- Wildlife habitat
- Highly archaeologically sensitive areas

# Existing Conditions





# Design Criteria and Considerations

- Average Daily Traffic
  - 540 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
  - 85 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
  - 4.3%

# Alternatives Considered – Bridge #8

- Both Towns have indicated that a covered bridge or a bridge with similar height constraints may be preferred by some citizens. Additionally, Swamp Road on the Cornwall side of Bridge 8 is not designed for heavier truck traffic and Cornwall's current road ordinance prohibits traffic on Swamp Road that is heavier than 12,000 lbs. and/or wider than eight feet.
- Full Bridge Replacement with New Steel Beam Bridge
  - 150' length
  - 1 or 2-lane bridge
  - 75-year design life
- Full Bridge Replacement with New Truss
  - 150' length
  - 1 or 2-lane bridge, minimum 14' width
  - 75-year design life
- Full Bridge Replacement with New Covered Bridge
  - 150' length
  - Single lane bridge, 14' width
  - 75-year design life



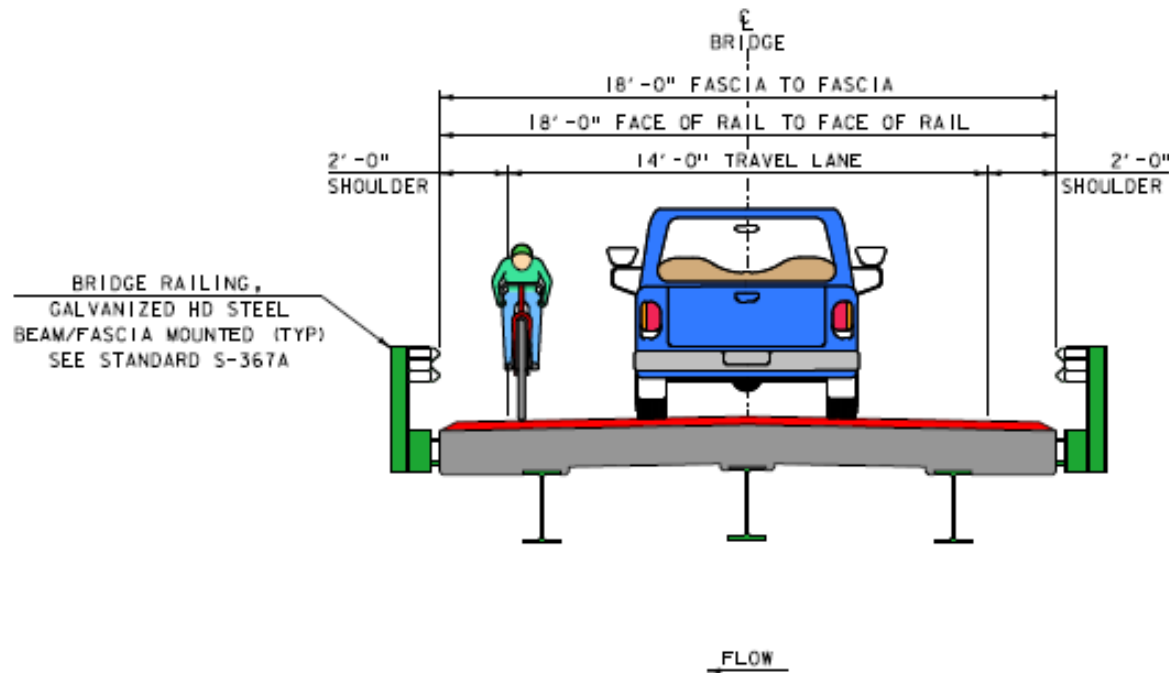
## What Will the New Bridge Look Like?



### Steel Beam Bridge – Bridge #8

- No Height Restriction
- Striped for one-lane alternating or two-lane traffic pattern
- Most economical

# Alternative 1 Typical Section – 1 lane option



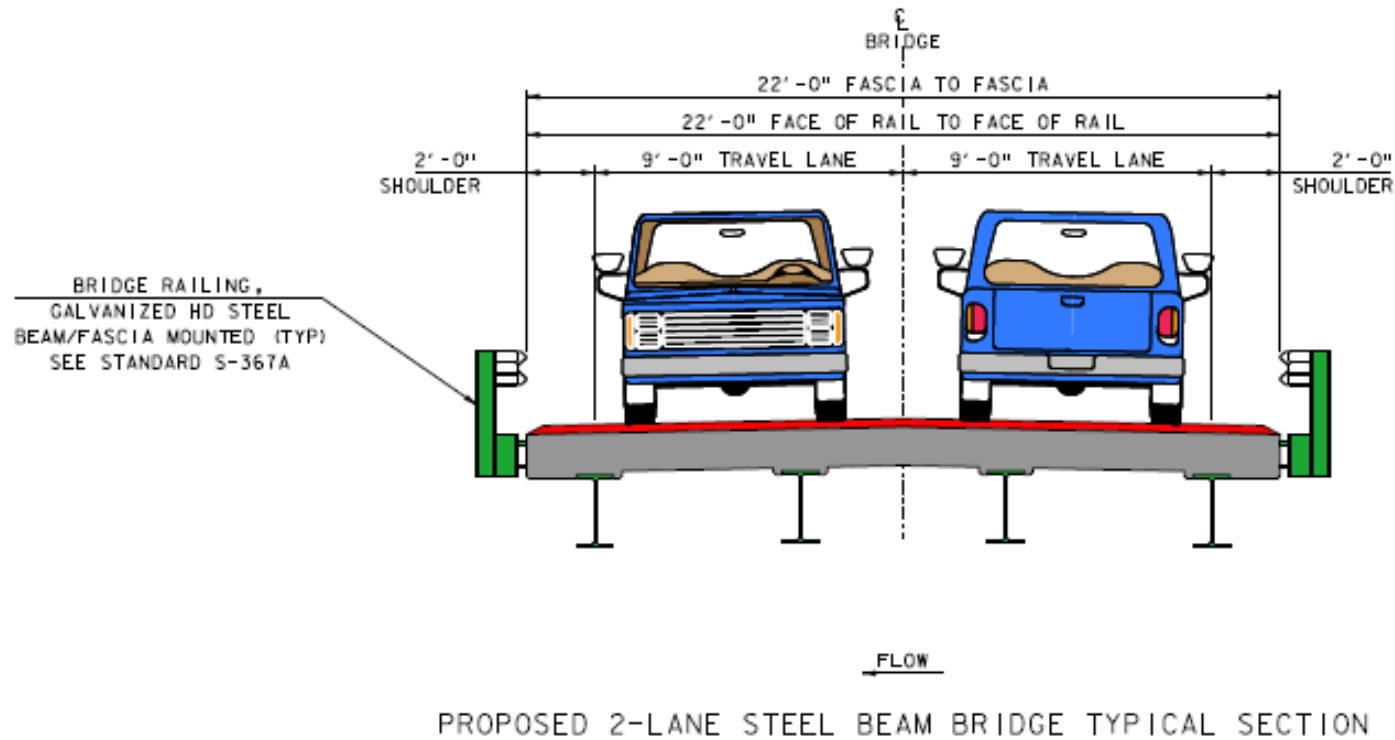
PROPOSED SINGLE LANE STEEL BEAM BRIDGE TYPICAL SECTION

## New Steel Beam Bridge - Bridge #8

- 18' Rail-to-Rail Single Lane Structure
- Height Restriction



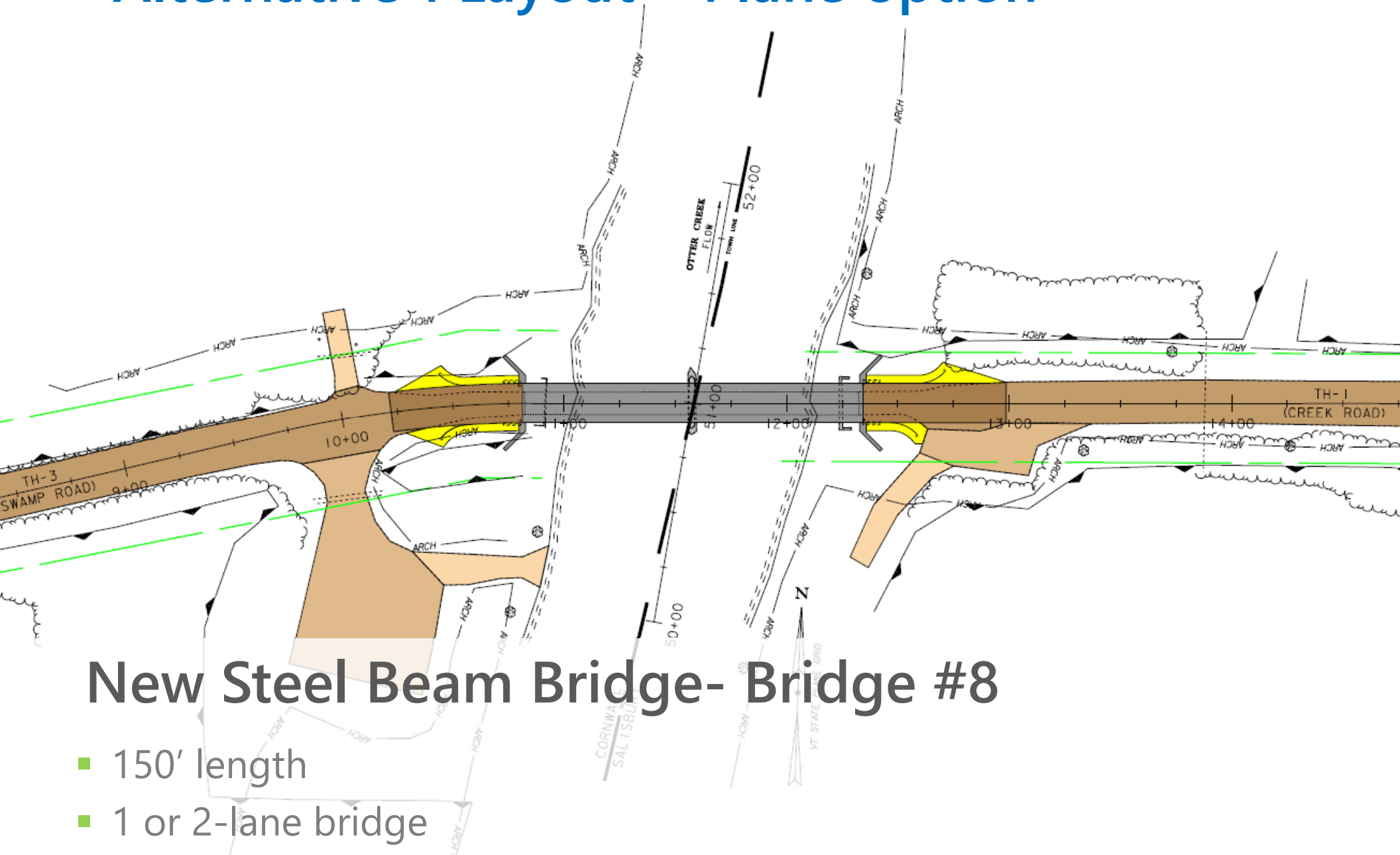
# Alternative 1 Typical Section – 2 lane option



## New Steel Beam Bridge- Bridge #8

- 22' Rail-to-Rail 2-Lane Structure
- Height Restriction

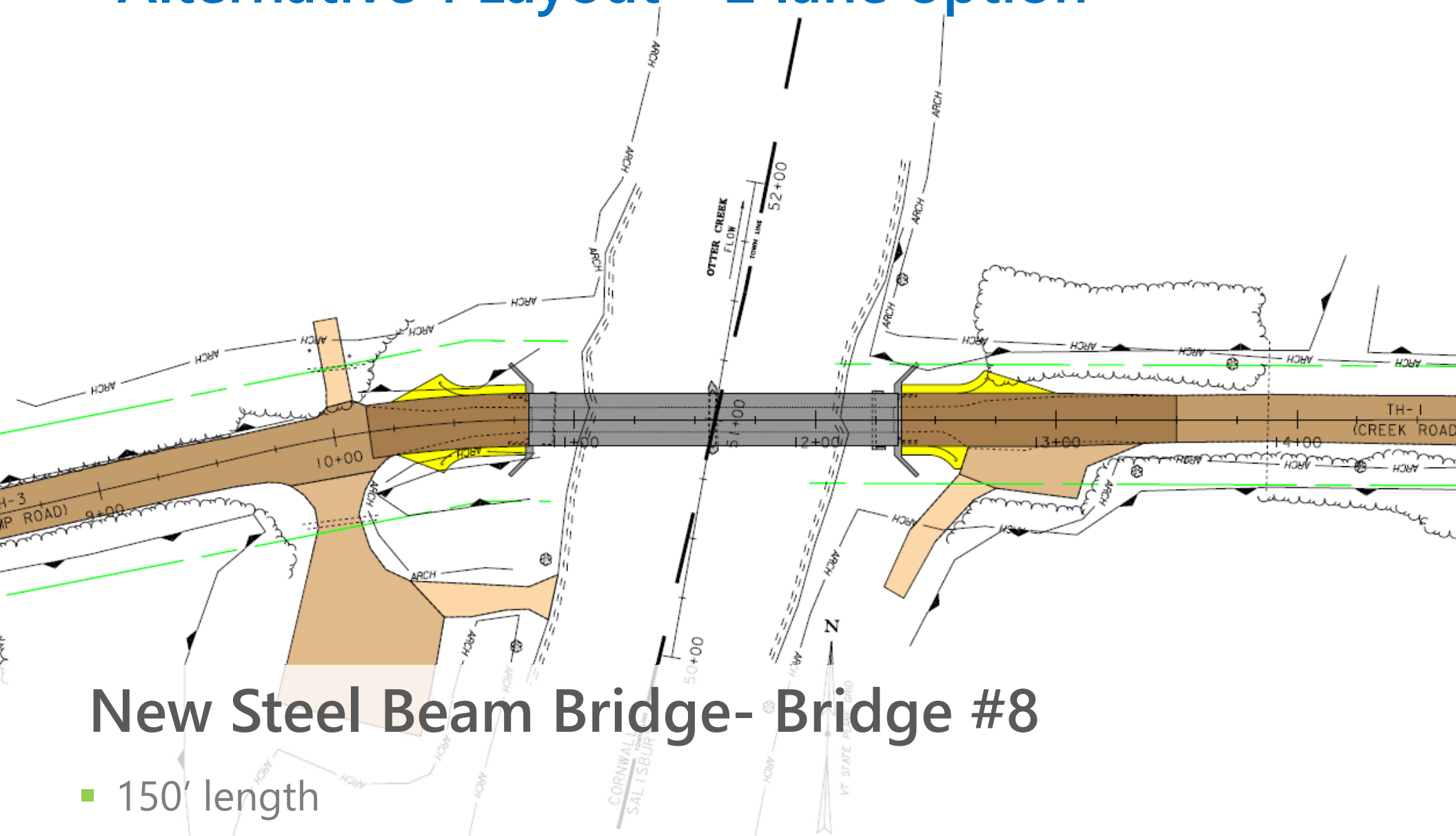
# Alternative 1 Layout – 1 lane option



## New Steel Beam Bridge- Bridge #8

- 150' length
- 1 or 2-lane bridge
- 75-year design life

# Alternative 1 Layout – 2 lane option

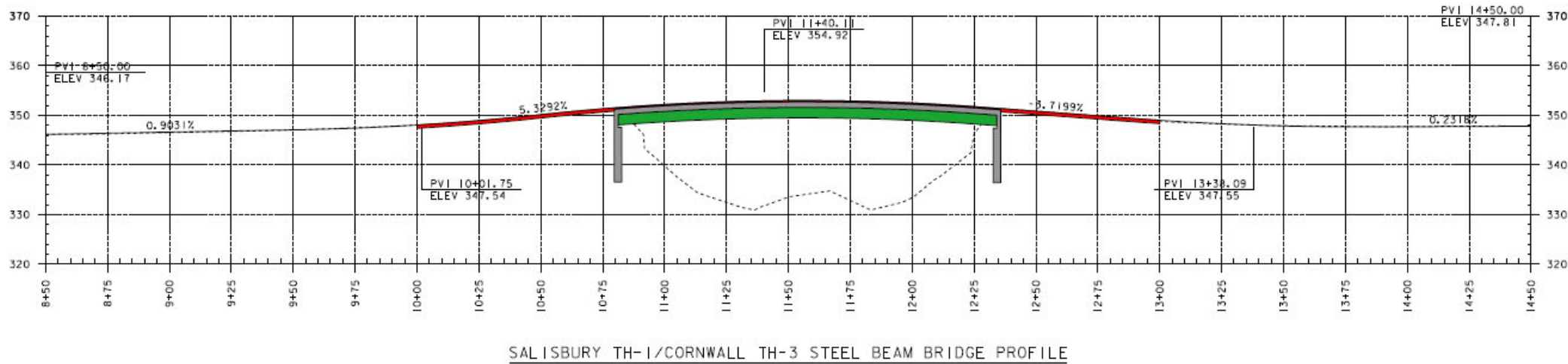


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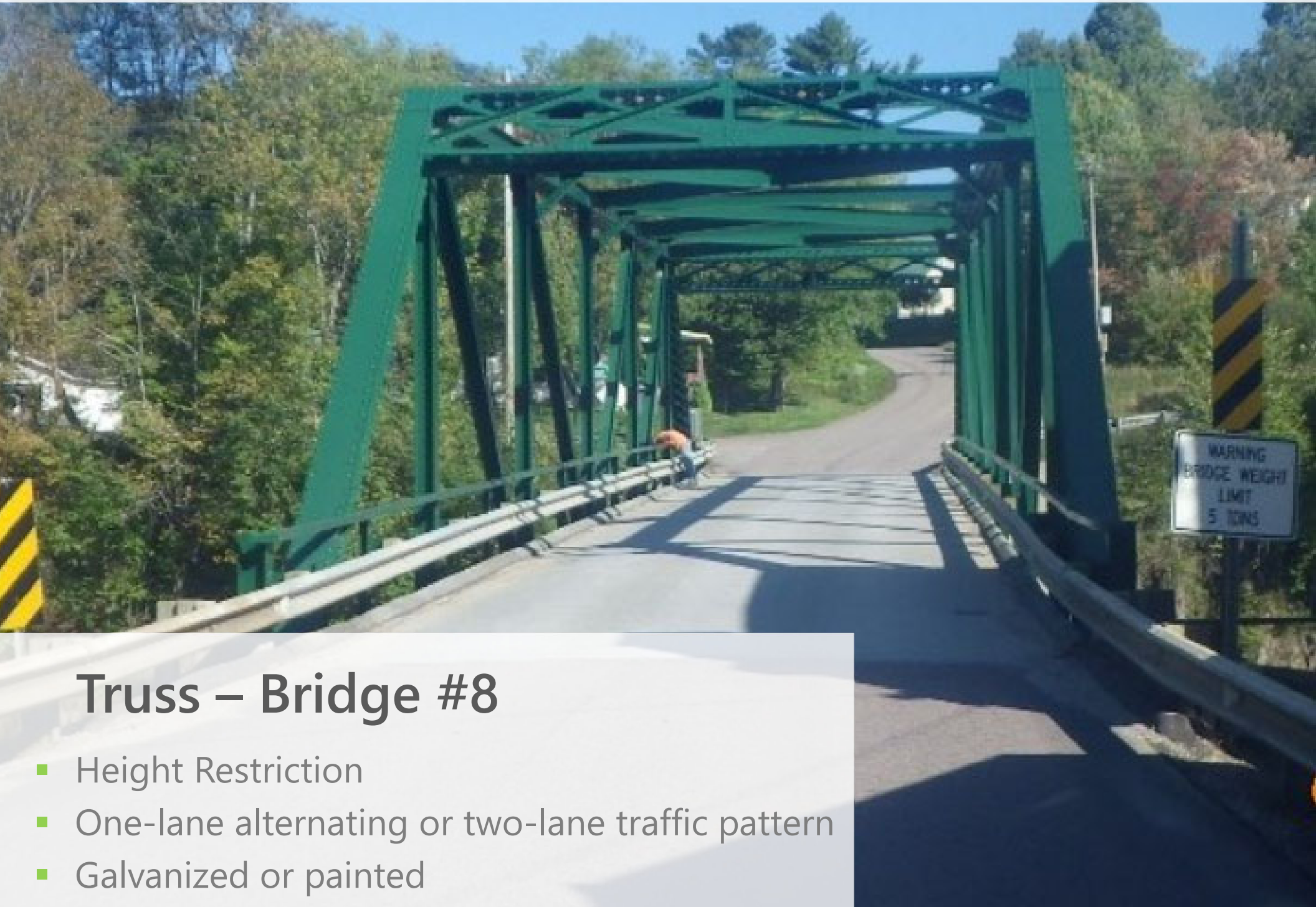
# Alternative 1 Profile



## New Steel Beam Bridge - Bridge #8

- Match into existing vertical alignment

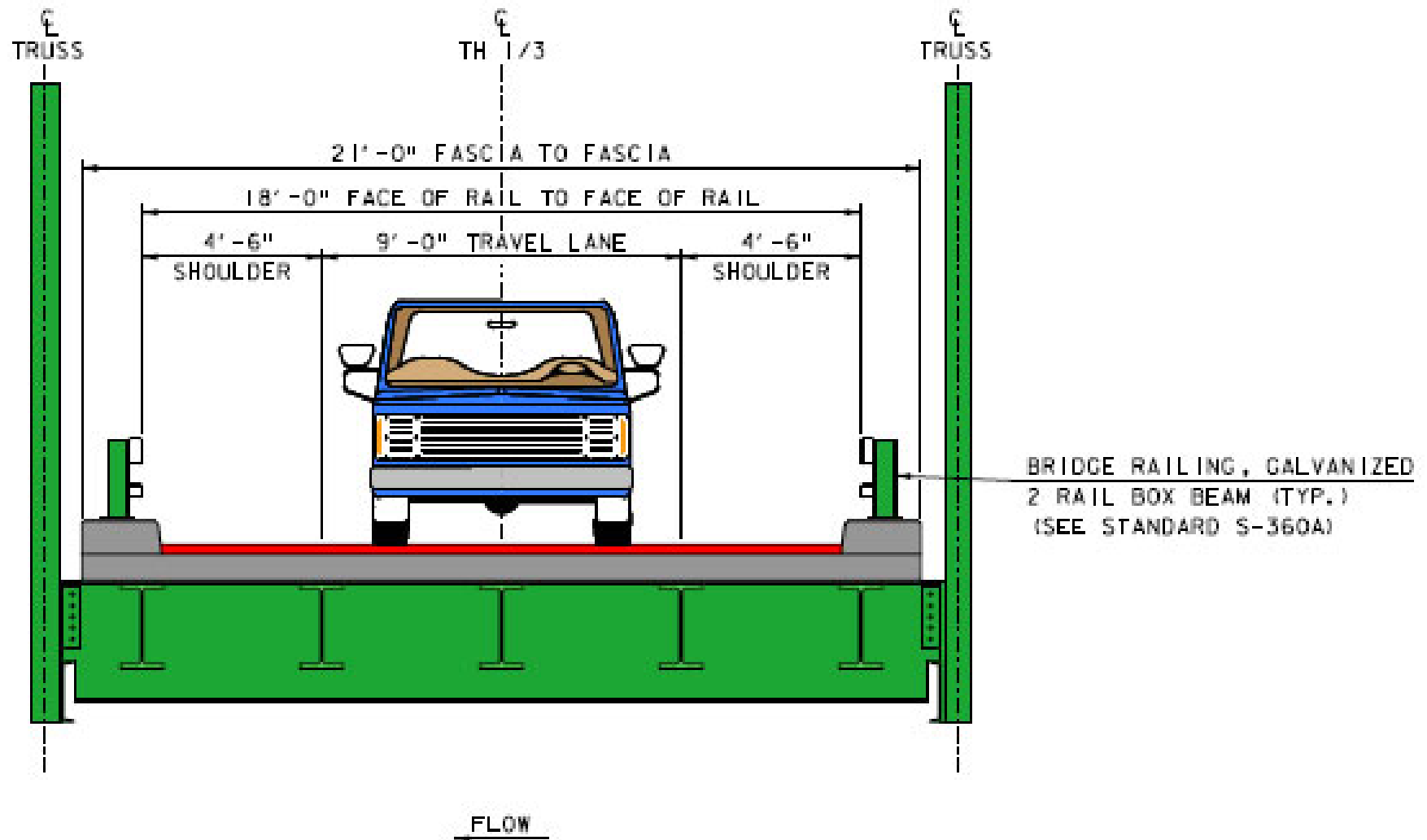
# What Will the New Bridge Look Like?



## Truss – Bridge #8

- Height Restriction
- One-lane alternating or two-lane traffic pattern
- Galvanized or painted

# Alternative 2 Typical Section – 1 lane option

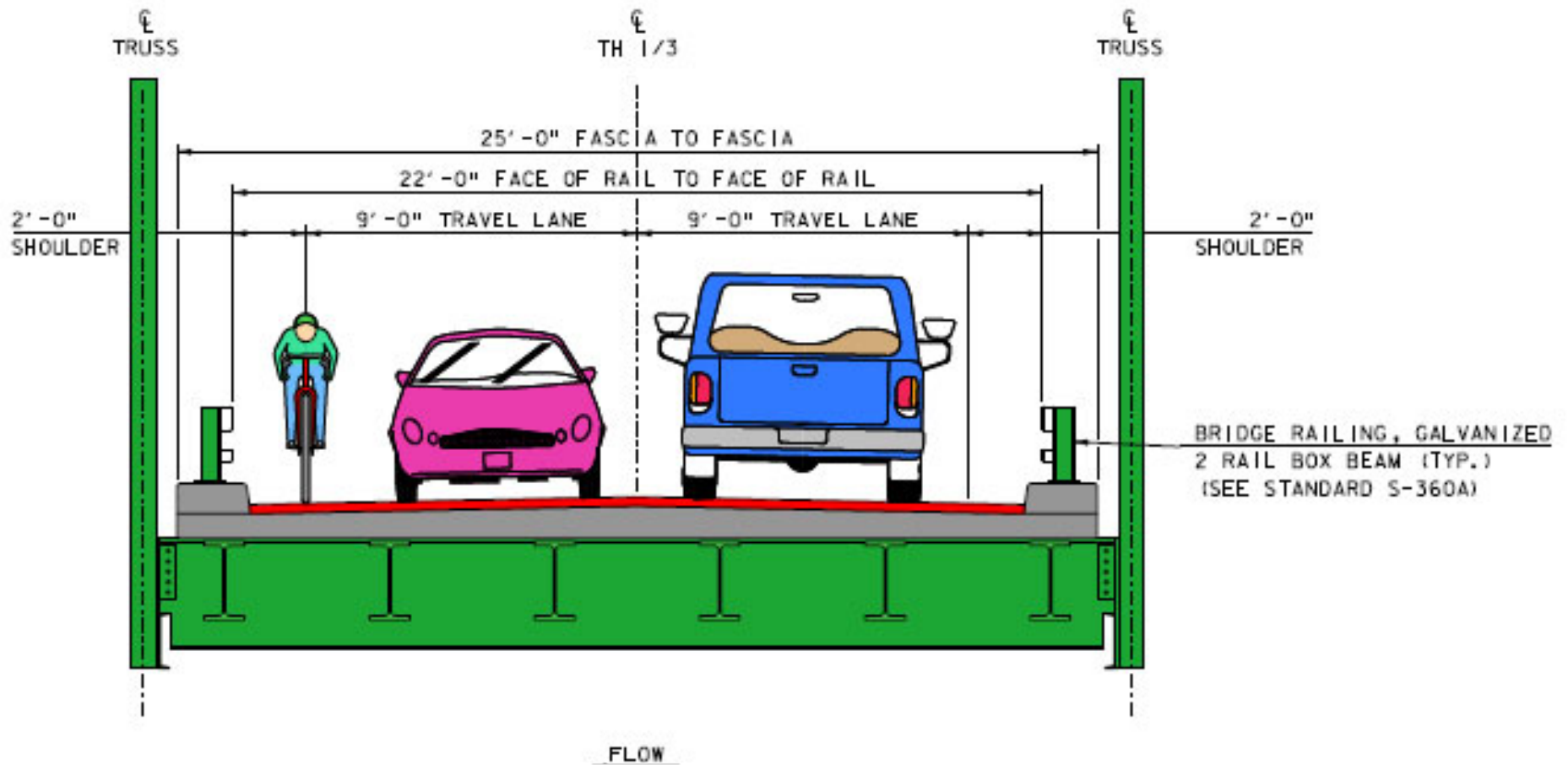


## New Truss - Bridge #8

- 18' Rail-to-Rail Single Lane Structure
- Height Restriction



# Alternative 2 Typical Section – 2 lane option



## New Truss - Bridge #8

- 22' Rail-to-Rail 2-Lane Structure
- Height Restriction

# Alternative 2 Layout – 1 lane option

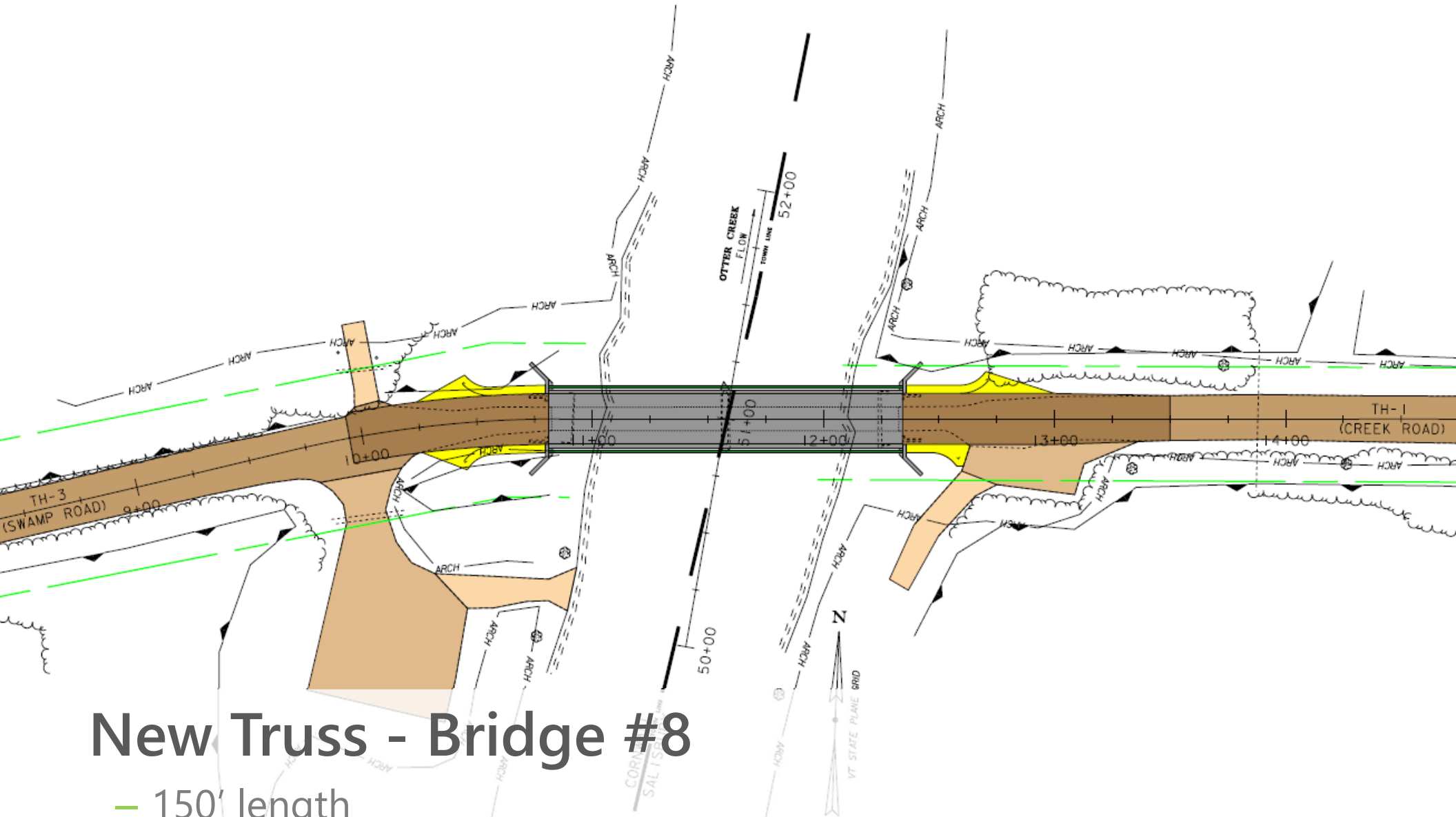
Technical drawing of Alternative 2 Layout for Bridge #8, showing a 1-lane option. The drawing includes stationing from 8+00 to 14+00, labels for TH-3 (Swamp Road) and TH-1 (Creek Road), and various structural details like arches and a new truss section. A north arrow and VT State Plane Grid are also present.

## New Truss - Bridge #8

# New Truss - Bridge #8

- 150' length
- 1 or 2-lane bridge, minimum 14' width
- 75-year design life

# Alternative 2 Layout – 2 lane option

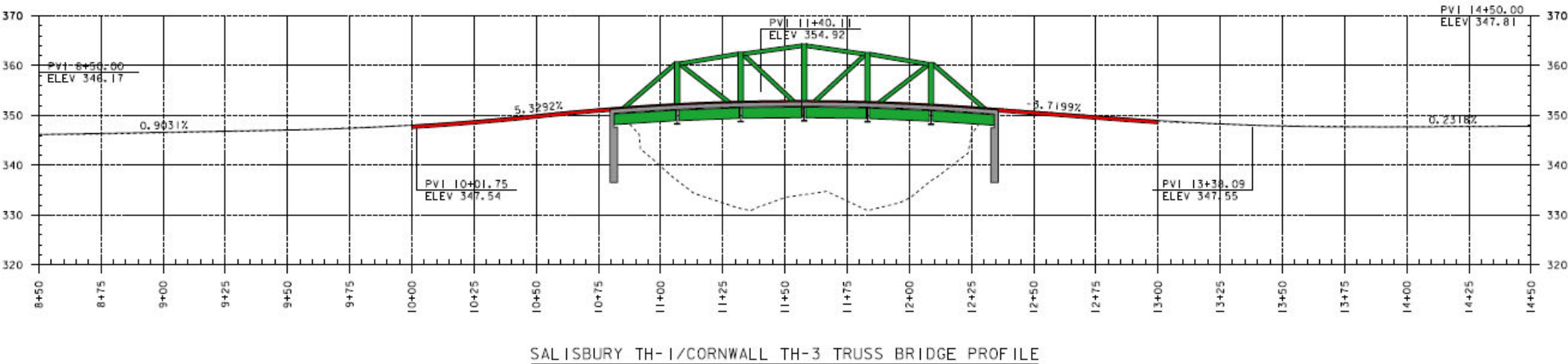


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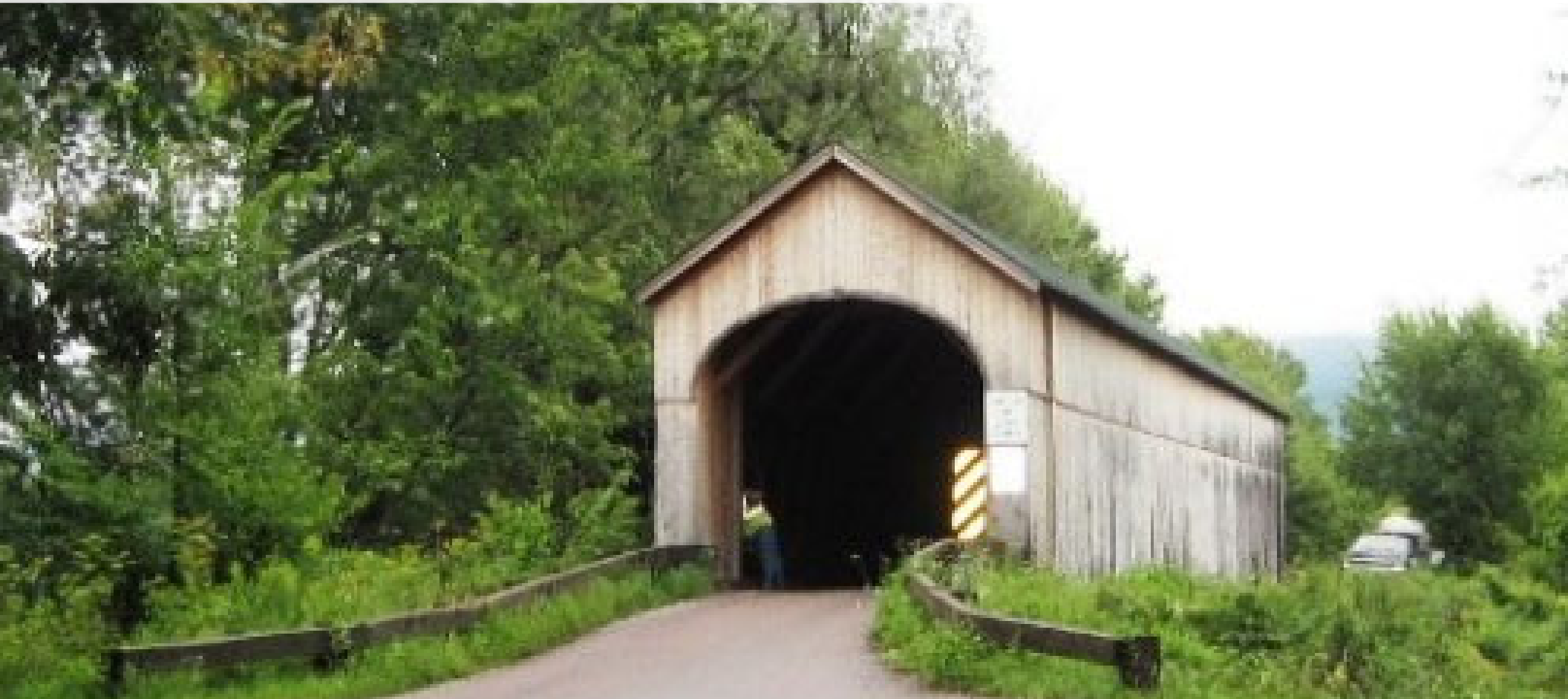
# Alternative 2 Profile



## New Truss - Bridge #8

- Match into existing vertical alignment

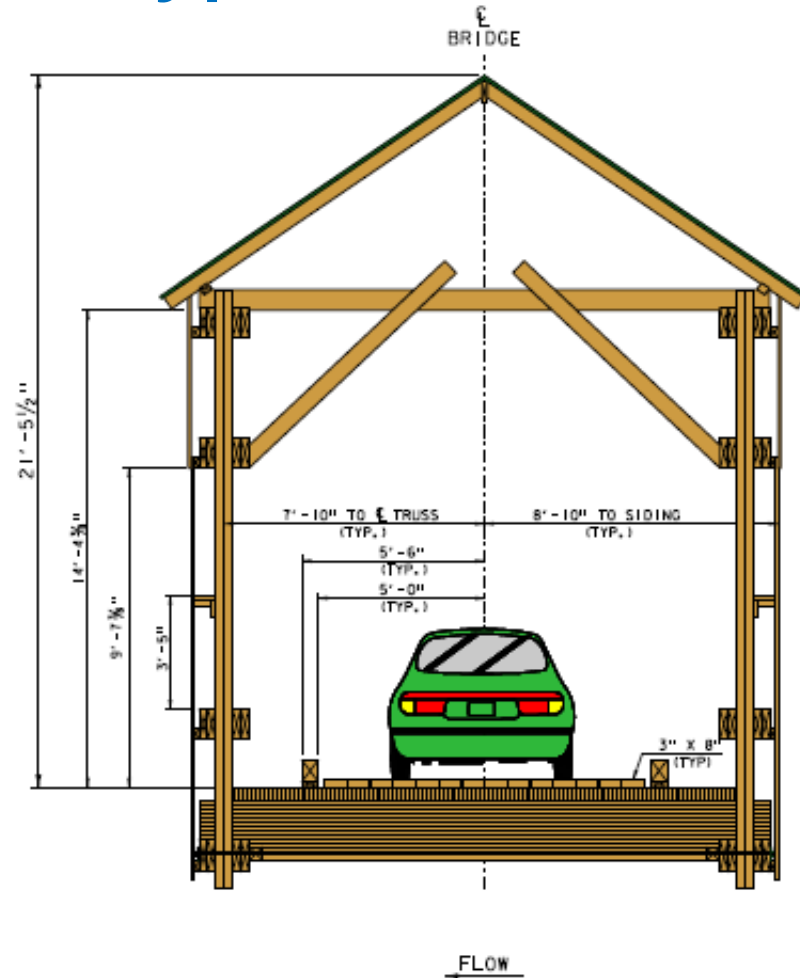
# What Will the New Bridge Look Like?



## Covered Bridge – Bridge #8

- Height Restriction
- Limits truck traffic
- One-lane alternating traffic pattern
- Fire detection and protection system options

# Alternative 3 Typical Section



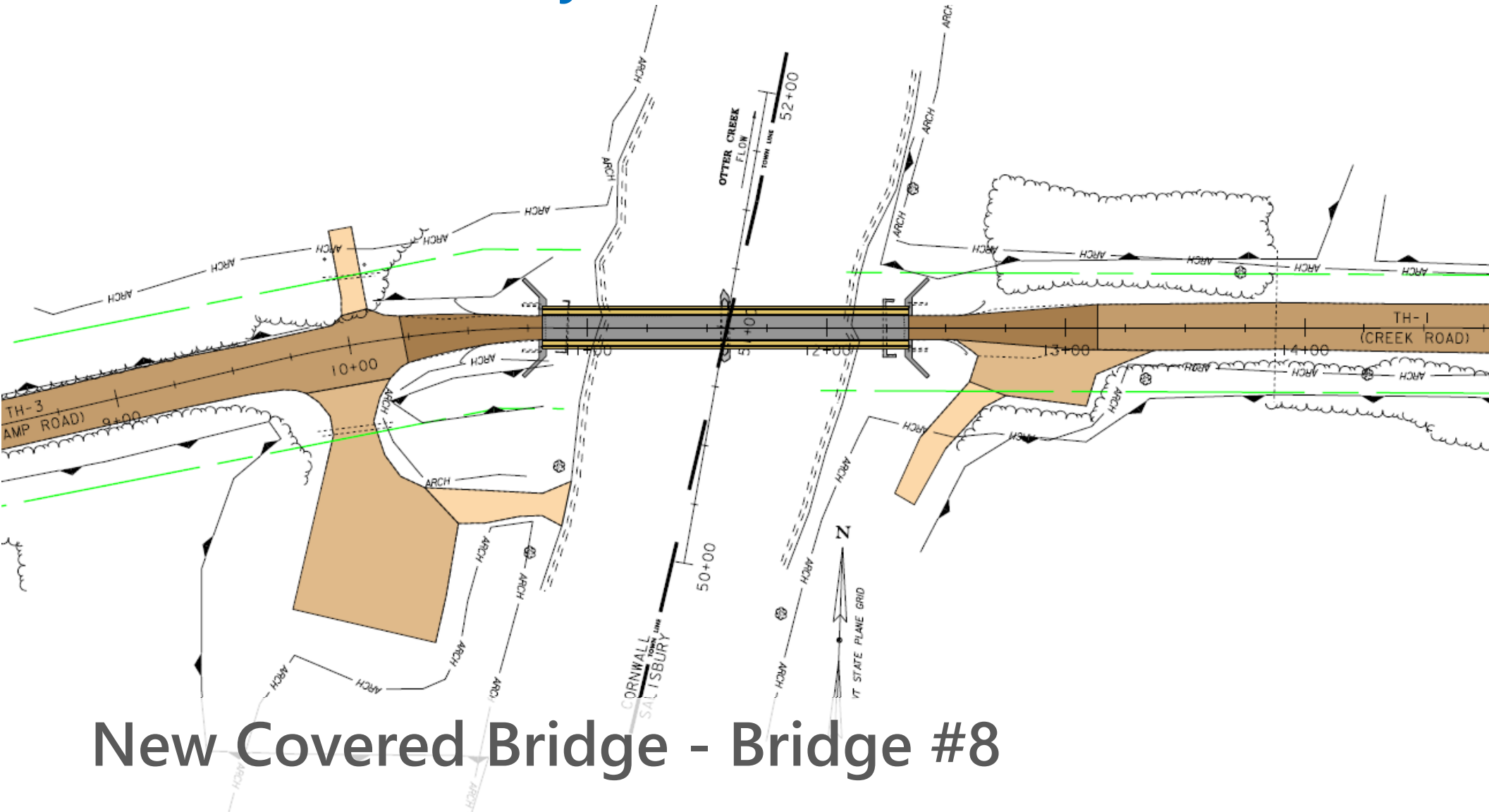
PROPOSED COVERED BRIDGE TYPICAL SECTION

## New Covered Bridge - Bridge #8

- 14' Rail-to-Rail Single Lane Structure
- Height Restriction



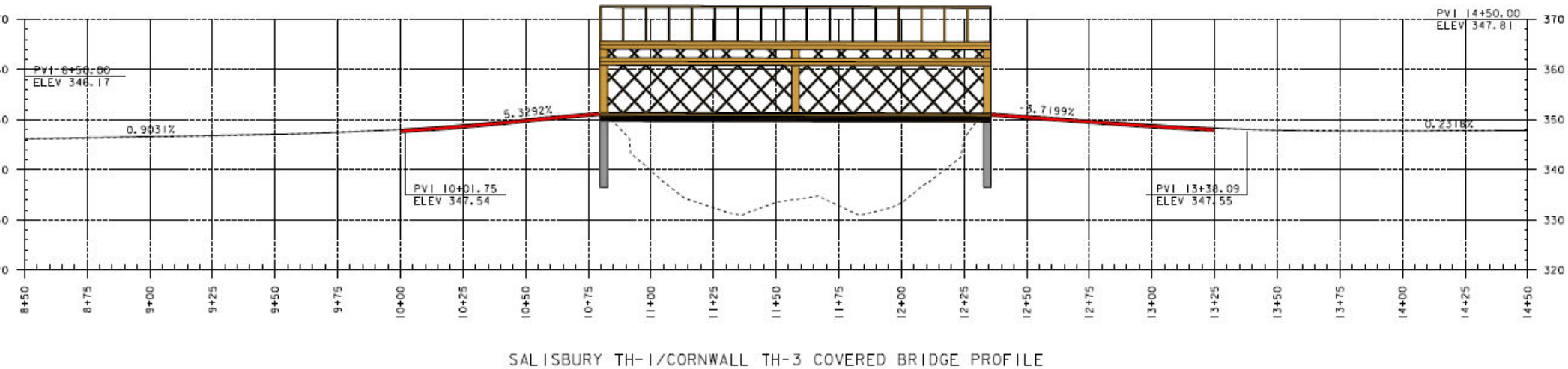
# Alternative 3 Layout



## New Covered Bridge - Bridge #8

- 150' length
- Single lane bridge, 14' width
- 75-year design life

# Alternative 3 Profile



## New Covered Bridge - Bridge #8

- Match into existing vertical alignment

# What Will the New Bridge Look Like?

**Covered Bridge**



- Height Restriction
- Limits truck traffic
- One-lane alternating traffic pattern
- Fire detection and protection system options

**Thru Truss**



- Height Restriction
- One-lane alternating or two-lane traffic pattern
- Galvanized or painted

**Conventional Steel Beam Bridge**



- No Height Restriction
- Striped for one-lane alternating or two-lane traffic pattern
- Most economical



# Recommended Alternative - Bridge #8

- Full Bridge Replacement On-Alignment
  - Conventional Steel Beam Bridge, Truss, or Covered Bridge to be chosen by the town
  - New single lane or 2-lane bridge
  - 150' length single or 2-span bridge to match existing conditions
    - Removal of pier may be desirable due to debris issues
  - 75-year design life

# Maintenance of Traffic Options Considered

- Offsite Detour
- Temporary Bridge

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 barriers with red and white diagonal stripes. In the background, there is a concrete wall, a chain-link fence, and green trees under a clear blue sky.

ROAD  
CLOSED

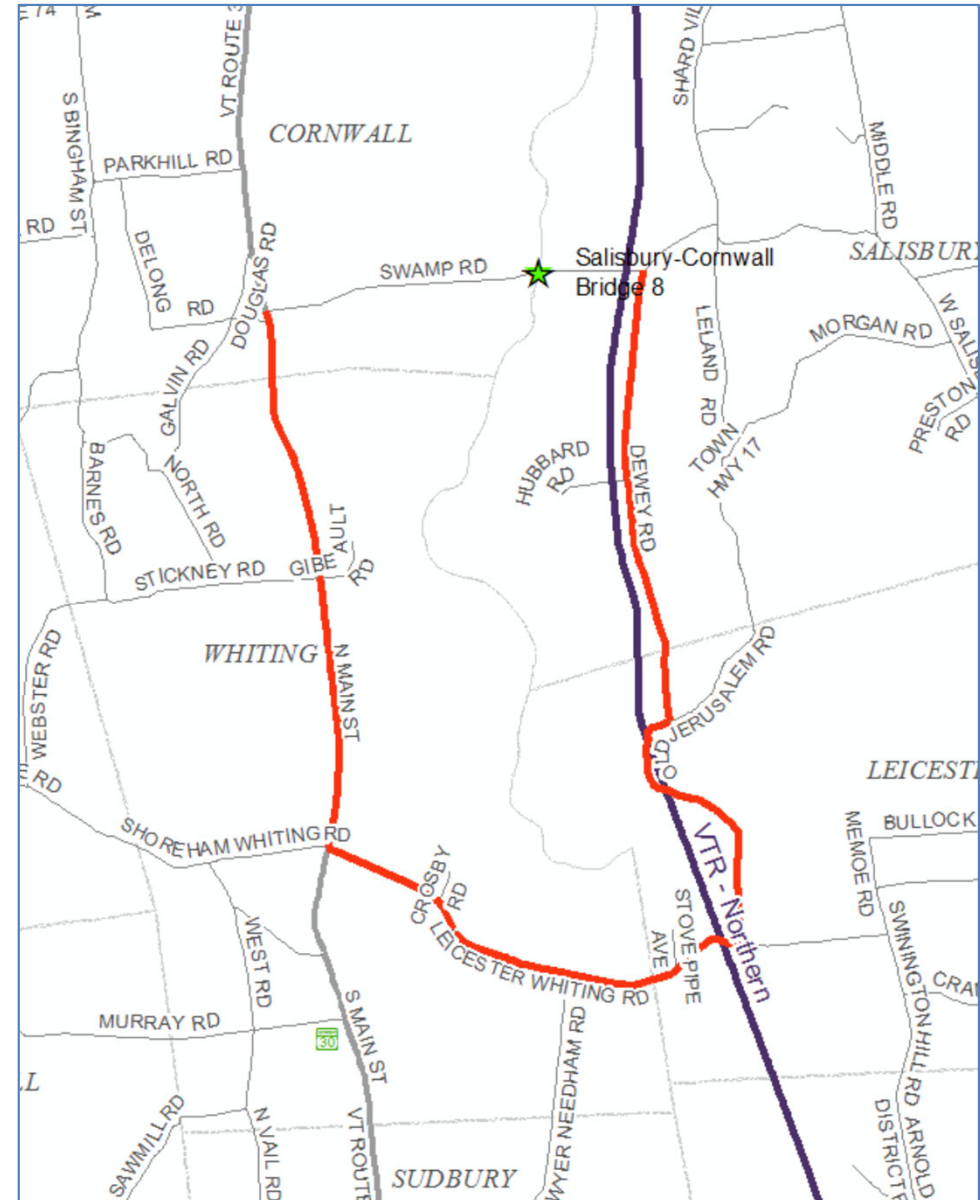
## Road Closure

- Detour chosen and signed by Town
- Construction Season duration
- Shortest Detour Route is 13.9 miles end-to-end
- Reduces Town share from 10% to 5%



# Traffic Control – Detour 1

- **Local Detour Route:** Creek Road to Dewey Road, Old Jerusalem Road, Leicester Whiting Road, VT-30 North, to Swamp Road
- Through Route: 2.5 Miles
- Detour Route: 11.4 Miles
- Added Distance: 8.9 Miles
- End-to-End Distance: 13.9 Miles





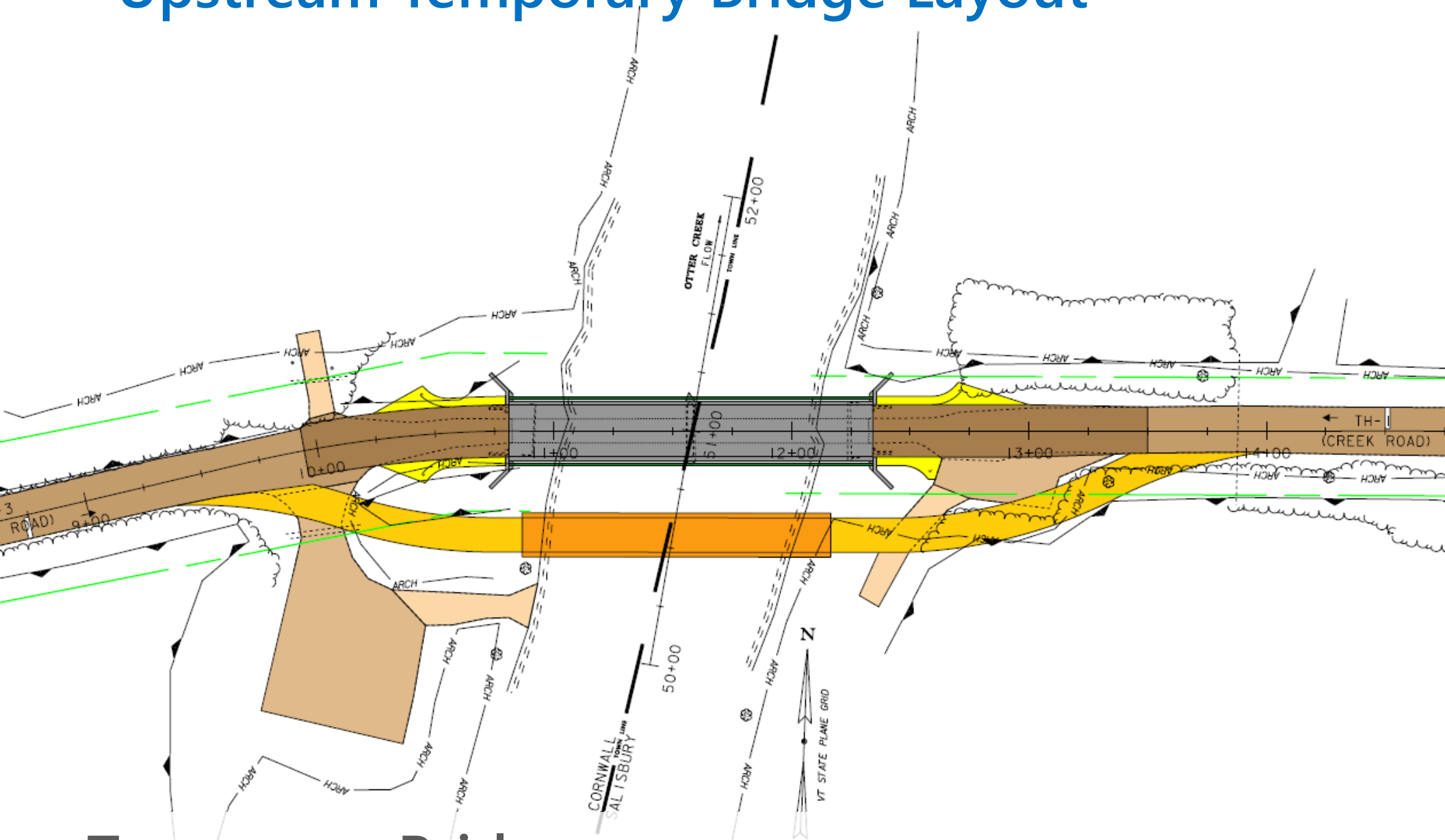


## Temporary Bridge

- One Lane Temporary Bridge constructed either Upstream or Downstream side of Bridge 8



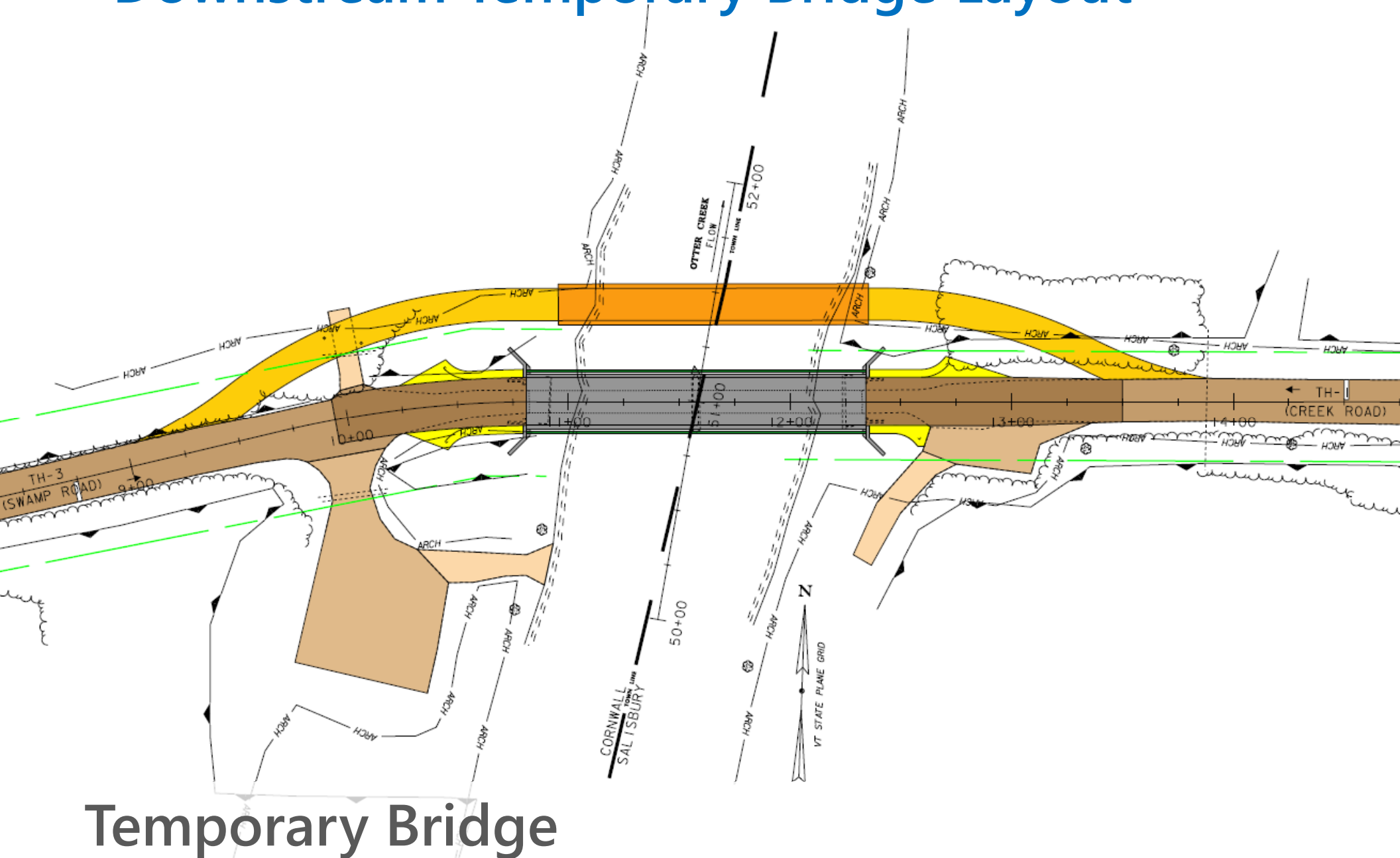
# Upstream Temporary Bridge Layout



## Temporary Bridge

- Placement of temporary bridge increases Town share from 5% to 10%

# Downstream Temporary Bridge Layout



## Temporary Bridge

- Placement of temporary bridge increases Town share from 5% to 10%

## Recommendation: Bridge 8

- Full Bridge Replacement On-Alignment with Traffic Maintained on and Offsite Detour
  - Closure for a construction duration
  - Conventional Steel Beam Bridge, Truss, or Covered Bridge to be chosen by the town
  - New single lane or 2-lane bridge
  - 150' length single or 2-span bridge to match existing conditions
  - 75-year design life
  - Right-of-Way likely needed



# Alternatives Matrix

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# Preliminary Project Schedule

- Construction Start – 2025

## Next Steps – Bridge #8

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



# Salisbury-Cornwall BO 1449(45) Questions and Comments

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