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1 SITE INFORMATION

Bridge 32 is a Town-owned bridge located on TH-19 (Depot Street) over the West River in Jamaica. The bridge is located approximately 0.4 miles northeast of the intersection with VT Route 100. Depot Street is a dead-end road and provides the only access across the West River to the Jamaica State Park and several residential homes. The existing bridge conditions were gathered from a combination of a site visit, Lidar scanning, the 2019 VTrans Inspection Report and the existing survey. See correspondence in the Appendices for more detailed information.

Roadway Classification	Class 3 Town Highway, No Functional Class Assigned
Bridge Type	Steel Pratt Through-Truss, Single span
Bridge Length	172' – 0"
Bridge Span	165' – 0"
Feature Spanned	West River
Year Built	1926
County	Windham
Ownership	Town of Jamaica

Bridge 32 meets the requirements for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places and retains nearly all its original members with the exception of the wood deck. It was also previously documented as part of the 1998 VTrans Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement within Category A, whose rehabilitation for limited highway use was determined to be both feasible and prudent. A different use for this bridge would require a project-specific Memorandum of Agreement, in addition to review under Section 106, Section 4(f) and other applicable laws.

1.1 Need

Bridge 32 carries Town Highway 19 (Depot Road) across West River. Depot Street is a dead-end road and Bridge 32 provides the sole access to Jamaica State Park as well as several residences. The following is a list of deficiencies of Bridge 32 and Depot Street in this location:

1. The deck is in Satisfactory condition, there are several maintenance needs. The needs of the deck are as follows:
 - Runners: Multiple wood runners are no longer secured to the deck and have splitting, punky areas, gouges and chunks missing. A few sections of runners are missing.
 - Bridge Rail: The rail has light rusting and paint failure throughout. There are some minor bends in the L-angles that connect the rail to the bottom chord of the truss.

- Timber Deck: A few of the pressure treated members are starting to transition towards the downstream side and are no longer touching stringer 1. A few other various members have areas of rot and are punky. The timber deck also has mildew and fungus growth.
2. While the superstructure is in Satisfactory condition, there are several maintenance needs. The needs of the superstructure are as follows:
- Verticals/diagonals: All members have some light pitting and areas of light rust scaling around connections focused mainly along the lower sections. Diagonal 1 on the downstream side has been replaced due to previous impact damage.
 - Top Chords: The built-up steel plate with steel c-channels and lattice style bars are in satisfactory condition. The lattice style bars along the diagonal sections at the ends of the truss have some heavier rust scaling and some section loss forming. Some small sections of light rusting are present along the top portions of truss system.
 - Bottom Chords: The built-up L-angles with steel plates riveted together bottom chord have areas of light section loss, minor pitting and rust scaling around the connections of the gusset plates. There are areas of light rusting throughout.
 - Gussets: The steel gussets have some light rust scale forming around the outer edges of the plates and have some light pitting.
 - Lateral Bracing: The steel L-Angles riveted to the lower chord gussets have areas of minor rust scaling and pitting along the connections. There are built up L-angles along the top chord that have some light rusting. One small section has a bent L-angle on the lower cross bracing over abutment 2.
 - Floor Beams: The w-shape members have areas of light rust scaling along the ends near the connections of the lower chords and other various light rusting along the beams. Near the connections of the lower chord, there are areas of minor to moderate pitting.
 - Stringers: The rolled beams are in fair condition having some measurable section loss along the top flanges in bay 1 near abutment 1. The stringers in other bays have various areas with some lighter section loss along the top flanges. The stringers have minor rust scaling and pitting along the lower flanges and along some of the lower portions of the webs with paint starting to fail.
 - Paint: The paint system has moderate distress throughout with paint peeling and flaking with steel starting to corrode and rust below.
3. While the substructure is in Satisfactory condition, there are several maintenance needs. The needs of the substructure are as follows:
- Backwalls: The reinforced concrete backwalls have areas of minor scaling and honeycombing present. Light cracking is present in various areas with some light efflorescence leakage outside of structure.

- Abutments: The laid-up stone abutments have no mortar present. Voids are present between laid up stone with some going as deep as three to five feet. Multiple stones have shear cracks through stones from movement.
4. The bridge and roadway approaches are too narrow for the speed and traffic volumes present.
5. Community Needs and Considerations:
- The alignment of the bridge should be so that long and large campers and fuel trucks can make the turn to get into the state park.
 - There are many pedestrian generators in the immediate vicinity of the bridge including the Jamaica State Park and the Jamaica elementary school which lead to heavy pedestrian activity over the bridge. Scheduled dam releases bridge additional pedestrians to the area. The horizontal clearance is not adequate for pedestrians and vehicles to use the bridge at the same time.
 - The existing bridge does not meet the needed load carrying capacity for the following parties:
 - The Jamaica Fire Department has two fire trucks that presently are not allowed to cross the bridge due to weight restrictions. The mini-pumper firetruck has a capacity of 300 gals of water with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of approximately 11 tons, the other, a pumper/tanker has a capacity of 1500 gals of water with a GVWR of 20 tons. For the Fire Department to provide emergency services to the residence & State Park officials on the other side of Bridge 32, they need to lay their largest water supply hose that has a 4-inch diameter to a total length of 1200 LF. The Fire Department has expressed concern that the distance is too great to provide enough water pressure to the fire scene.
 - Tree removal services and future logging operations are currently prohibited by the structural configuration and capacity of Bridge 32.
 - Cota and Cota fuel has expressed concern on being able to provide uninterrupted deliveries of home heating fuel and propane gas to residents on the other side of Bridge 32.
 - The Jamaica State Park has concerns that the capacity of the bridge does not allow for the necessary operation of the state park. The park has put several infrastructure and forest management projects on hold due to the limited capacity of Bridge 32. Difficult and substantial changes to basic park functions such as trash removal, firewood delivery, and septic tank pumping have been made due to the limited capacity of Bridge 32.
 - The army Corps of engineers has expressed concern that that Bridge 32 is the sole 'practical' access to the toe of the Ball Mountain Dam (aka West River Dam) since access to the base of the dam from the top is very steep. In the event that emergency repairs are needed, the ACOE has requested a bridge that can carry a minimum HS-20 load. They are also concerned about the ability to utilize the bridge for possible construction loads for their Ball Mountain Dam project.

1.2 Traffic

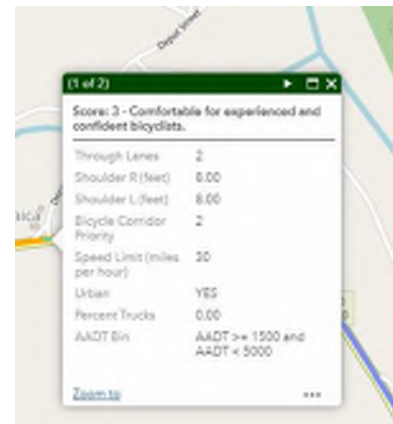
A traffic study of this site was performed by the Vermont Agency of Transportation. The traffic volumes are projected for the years 2023, 2043, and 2063 and presented in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1 Traffic Data

Traffic Data	2023	2043	2063
AADT	260	280	~
DHV	70	75	~
ADTT	15	25	~
%T	5.8	8.6	~
%D	58	58	~
FLEXIBLE ESAL	~	2023 ~ 2043 27,000	2023 ~ 2063 59,000

1.3 Bicycle Usage

Vermont TH-19 (Depot Street) does not appear on the VTrans Bicycle Corridor Priority Map as it is not a state road, nor does it have an assigned functional class. However, the intersection of VT Route 100 and Depot Street scores as a 3 on the VTrans Bicycle Level of Comfort Map, which indicates only experienced riders will feel comfortable at this segment of roadway. Currently, the bridge does not have a sidewalk or an adequate pedestrian rail, making it inappropriate for use by cyclists. Pedestrians do access the bridge from the campground on their way to or from the Town.



1.4 Design Criteria

The design standards for this bridge project are the Vermont State Standards, dated October 22, 1997. Minimum standards are based on an ADT of 280, a DHV of 75, and a design speed of 25 mph and are summarized in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2 – Vermont Design Standards

Design Criteria	Source	Existing Condition	Minimum Standard	Comment
Approach Lane and Shoulder Widths	VSS Table 6.3	19'-0"	9'/2' (22')	Substandard
Bridge Lane and Shoulder Widths	VSS Table 6.3	13'-6" Rail-to-rail	9'/2' (22')	Substandard

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Clear Zone Distance	VSS Table 6.5	No issues noted.	7' fill, 7' cut	
Banking	VSS Section 6.12	None.	8% (max, paved road)	
Speed	VSS Table 6.3	Unknown	25 mph (Design)	
Horizontal Alignment	AASHTO Green Book, Table 3.10	R = 60.0' (east) R = 1,341' (West)	$R_{min} = 2,370'$ @ e = 8%	Substandard
Vertical Grade	VSS Table 6.6	6.77%	7% (max) for level terrain	
K Values for Vertical Curves	VSS Table 6.1	No vertical curve over bridge $K_{sag} = 40$ (west) $K_{sag} = 09$ (east)	20 crest / 30 sag	Substandard
Vertical Clearance	VSS Section 6.7	14'-7"	14'-3"	
Headlight Sight Distance	VSS Table 6.1	79'	150'	Substandard
Bicycle/Pedestrian Criteria	VSS Table 6.7	None	1' Shoulder	Substandard
Bridge Railing	Structures Design Manual, Section 13.2	3 HSS 2.50 x 0.25	TL-2	Substandard
Hydraulics	VTrans Hydraulics Manual Table 6.1	7.2' of Freeboard at design AEP (Q_{25}) and 6.2' at the 1% AEP (Q_{100})	Pass 4% AEP (Q_{25}) storm event with 1' of freeboard, 142' span.	Exceeds hydraulic requirements
Structural Capacity (Rehabilitation)	VSS Table 6.4	H 7.8	H-15	Substandard
Structural Capacity (New Bridge)	Structures Design Manual, Ch. 3.4.1	H 7.8	Design Live Load: HL-93	Substandard

1.5 Inspection Report Summary

The ratings provided below are from the most recent inspection performed by VTrans in October 2019. The bridge is on a 24-month frequency.

Deck Rating	6 Satisfactory
Superstructure Rating	6 Satisfactory
Substructure Rating	6 Satisfactory

Channel Rating

8 Very Good

The following is from the Structure Inspection, Inventory and Appraisal Sheet:

10/01/2019 – Stringers have measurable section loss with the worst being in bay #1 near abutment #1. Lower sections of verticals, diagonals and the bottom chord have pitting and rust scaling around connections. Timber deck is showing signs of decay and movement and should have restraint system installed to prevent deck from translating downstream. Runners have heavy breakup with multiple boards being loose and damaged and need to be replaced. Bridge seats and lower sections of truss system need to be cleaned off from sediment build up. Pain system has failed along truss system and should be cleaned and repainted. Abutments have large voids present and should be filled. ~ SMP/SEP

10/11/2017 – Structure is in fair condition. Bearing area on both abutments have a sand buildup and should be cleaned off. Voids in the abutments should be repaired. Town should consider full width runners to help stop the sand from reaching the top flanges of the stringers and floorbeam. Steel could use painting. ~ FRE & JAS

10/20/2015 – Structure is in fair condition. The bearing area on both abutments should be washed off. Both abutments have areas of voids and should be chinked with smaller stone. Town should consider adding full width runners to help stop some of the sand from setting on the top flange of the stringers

1.6 Hoyle, Tanner Field Observations

On September 17, 2020 a four-person inspection team from Hoyle, Tanner visited the bridge to perform field measurements and gather field data for this Scoping Report. Representative portions of the upper and lower portions of the trusses were accessed by ladder while other measurements were taken from the deck and ground level.

1.6.1 Trusses

Bridge 32 is constructed from two, steel single span Pratt Trusses. The truss top chord consists of a riveted built-up section with a plate on the top face that extends down the end diagonals and lacing bars on the bottom face while the bottom chord consists of two angle sections. The truss verticals consist of four angles with lacing bars while the diagonal members consist of two angle sections with a flat plate connecting the two angles at a set spacing. All truss members are connected at panel points with steel gusset plates. There is extensive 'x-frame' bracing between the truss vertical members and at the portal ends consisting of angle sections. The angle sections vary in thickness from $\frac{1}{4}$ " to $\frac{3}{8}$ " thick with the leg widths varying from 2" to 5".

The truss members are in satisfactory condition with light rusting and coating failure throughout with the orange (likely lead based) primer exposed. The lower portions of the truss have light section loss

and pitting, primarily at the bearings and interior panel points. The east portal framing has light impact damage as does member U8-L7 on the upstream truss. There is heavy sand build up on the interior lower chord connection plates and at the truss bearings.

1.6.2 Deck

The deck consists of partial width, 1-½" wide longitudinal wood runners on 5-½" thick transverse wood members with a wood curb at the deck edge. The wood deck is supported by longitudinal stringers spaced at 2'-8" on center. The stringers are S10x25.4 members supported on transverse S15x42.9 floor beams which are located at each panel point (approximately 18'-4" on center). There is a positive (bolted) connection between the stringer bottom flange and the floor beam. The floor beams are connected to the truss through riveted angles at the panel points. The bridge railing consists of three pipe sections that are attached to the truss at truss members and in between with a vertical member framing into the lower chord.

The deck is in fair condition with loose running boards and isolated section of rot. The transverse deck members do not have a positive connection to the stringers and there are small gaps at the edge of the deck due to short length boards. The stringers and floor beams both exhibit coating loss throughout and section loss and pitting to varying degrees with the stringers in a more deteriorated condition.

1.6.3 Substructure

The substructure consists of dry laid stone masonry blocks with a concrete cap and backwall. The outside top edges of the abutments and wingwalls are covered with soil and vegetative growth. The abutments are in satisfactory condition with no bulging or evidence of settlement or scour at the base noted. The concrete cap and backwall are in poor to serious condition with many sections disintegrating or cracked. The end of the wood deck abuts the concrete backwall and allows sand and debris to fall through the joint onto the end floor beam and bearings which have a large amount of sand build up.

1.6.4 Approaches

Both approaches to the bridge are paved and in poor condition near the ends of the bridge and in satisfactory condition further away from the bridge. The roadway cross section has a slight normal crown with no drainage structures present within the bridge vicinity. The west approach to the bridge has a slight horizontal curve and sag profile near the bridge with the low point approximately 90' from the end of the bridge. The east approach has a steep (7.7%) grade coming off the bridge with the low point approximately 35' from the end of the bridge. This sag curve is combined with a 60-degree horizontal curve for those going to the state park entrance. Several vehicles towing campers were observed to 'bottom out' while exiting the bridge on the east end. There is heavy tree overgrowth on the downstream end of the bridge that extends into the roadway section.

The approach railing consists of wood posts and three rows of steel cable guardrail on each bridge quadrant. The condition of the railing varies with some sections having been replaced in the recent past. The approach railing is connected to the end diagonals and passes through the member before terminating with an end cap.

1.7 Hydraulics

Bridge 32 crosses over the West River which flows primarily northwest to southeast at the bridge site. A hydraulic study at this location was completed on November 10, 2020 by the VTrans Structures and Hydraulics Section. The study indicates that under the current conditions, there is 7.2 feet and 6.2 feet of freeboard during the 4% (25-year flood event) and 1% (100-year flood event) storm event, respectively. The 100-year storm event is defined as a flood having a one percent (1%) chance of being met or exceeded in any given year (base flood designation Q_{100}). The existing bridge opening has sufficient hydraulic capacity to pass the 1% storm event flow with adequate freeboard. The existing condition meets the current standards of the VTrans Hydraulic Manual. See the preliminary hydraulics report in Appendix D for additional information.

1.8 Utilities

The existing utilities are described in the Existing Utility Report in Appendix K, and are as follows:

Municipal Utilities: There are no municipal water or sewer facilities in the project area.

Public Utilities

Underground: There are no underground utilities in the project area.

Aerial: Green Mountain Power (single phase), Consolidated Communications, and Comcast.

- There is a main utility line that crosses over the West River to the north of the bridge. The line contains single phase power as well as 2 communication lines.
- The relocation of aerial utilities will likely be necessary for construction.

1.9 Right of Way

The existing Right-of-Way (ROW) is shown on the Existing Conditions Layout sheet in Appendix M. There is a 3-rod ROW centered on TH-19 through the project area. The land in the northwest quadrant of the bridge is owned by the Town of Jamaica while the northeast parcel is owned by The Vermont State Agency of Natural Resources. Additional research is needed, however on the east end of the bridge to better define the Town's ROW as it relates to the continuation of Depot Street labeled as a Private Road as well as state park entrance road which is shown beyond the Town's ROW.

Based upon the initial right-of-way depicted on the Existing Conditions Layout Sheet, it is anticipated that easements will be required for all build alternatives. For the rehabilitation alternatives, easements or agreements will be required for the east approach roadway and guardrail work that extends outside the Town's ROW as well as for installation of the temporary bridge and approaches. The temporary bridge and approaches would be located in approximately the same location as the new bridge depicted as part of the adaptive reuse alternative. For the adaptive reuse option, permanent easements will be required for the construction of the new bridge as well as temporary easements for the state park road beyond the Town's ROW.

1.10 Resources

The environmental resources present within the study area are shown on the Existing Conditions Layout Sheet in Appendix M and described in more detail in the Resource Identification Report in Appendix G prepared by others. A brief summary of the resources identified by others is included below.

1.10.1 Biological

Wetlands

A total of four wetlands areas were delineated within the study area. Most of these wetlands are associated with the West River and its floodplain. The locations of delineated wetlands are shown on Figure 2 of Appendix G: VTrans Natural Resource Identification.

The study area also includes one perennial stream, the West River, and two intermittent streams. All three are regulated by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Wildlife Habitat

The West River and surrounding forested areas provide valuable terrestrial and aquatic habitat for fish and wildlife. The West River provides a riparian corridor potentially linking habitats to the south and east with habitat blocks to the north and west. A VTANR Deer Wintering Area is also mapped in the forested area east of the West River.

Wildlife observed during the field review included green frogs, black-nosed dace, and crawfish. The stone bridge abutments could provide potential bat roosting habitat. However, the abutments were visually inspected during the field review and no guano staining or droppings were observed.

Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species (R/T/E)

Both state and federally listed rare, threatened, and endangered species were documented in the

project area or have been identified within the surrounding area and have the potential to occur within the project area. These species are presented below in Tables 1.3 and 1.4:

Table 1.3 - Federally Listed Species

Common Name	Scientific Name	Type	State Protection Status	Federal Protection Status	Suitable Habitat in Study Area
Northern Long-Eared Bat	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Mammal	E	T	YES

Source: USFWS IPaC.

T=Threatened; E=Endangered

Table 1.4 – State Listed Species

Common Name	Scientific Name	Type	EO ID	State Rank	State Protection Status	Federal Protection Status	Observed During 2019 Field Review
Eastern Pearlshell	<i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i>	Freshwater Mussel	5783	S2	T	N/A	No
Tubercled Orchid	<i>Platanthera flava</i> var. <i>herbifolia</i>	Vascular Plant	556	S2	T	N/A	No
Canada Burnet	<i>Sanguisorba canadensis</i>	Vascular Plant	2065	S2	N/A	N/A	Yes
Brook Floater	<i>Alasmidonta varicosa</i>	Freshwater Mussel	191	S1	T	N/A	No
Boulder-Beach Tiger Beetle	<i>Cicindela ancoisconensis</i>	Beetle	3909	S1	N/A	N/A	No
Creper	<i>Strophitus undulatus</i>	Freshwater Mussel	N/A	S3	N/A	N/A	No

Source: Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory.

S1=Very Rare; S2=Rare; S3=Uncommon

T=Threatened; E=Endangered

Agricultural

Parts of the study area are mapped as statewide significant agricultural soils. Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes and Colton loamy fine sand, 2 to 8 percent slopes are identified as Farmland of Statewide Importance in Vermont. These soil units are mapped on the west side of the West River in the southwest bridge quadrant and along the western edge of the study area in Appendix G: VTrans Natural Resource Identification.

Invasive Species

Overall, the site was dominated by a mix of native vegetation and relatively free from invasive species. However, there were individual purple loosestrife, Japanese barberry and Japanese Knotweed noted in adjacent wetland areas.

1.10.2 Hazardous Materials

According to the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VANR) Vermont Hazardous Sites List, there are no hazardous waste sites located within close proximity to the project.

1.10.3 Historic

An evaluation of Bridge No. 32 indicates that the meets the registration requirements for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Bridge No. 32 has been previously documented as part of the 1998 VTrans Historic Bridge Programmatic agreement's corresponding Historic Metal Truss Preservation Plan (VHBPA). A different use of this bridge would require a project-specific Memorandum of Agreement, in addition review under Section 106, Section 4(f) and/or any other applicable laws.

The Jamaica State Park and Green Mountain National Forest, both 4(f) protected resources, are located on both sides of the bridge and would be impacted by all but the "Do Nothing" alternative discussed in this study. Therefore Section 4(f) review will be required.

Hartgen Archaeological Associates, Inc. (Hartgen) completed a historic document review for the bridge and while they were unable to locate plans for the bridge, they were able to locate additional historic information regarding the bridge.

See Appendix I: VTrans Historic Preservation Resource Identification Memo and Hartgen Bridge Research Memo for more information.

1.10.4 Archaeological

The West River in this project area is a well-known Native American travel corridor and fishing area. All four quadrants that reside out of the bridge footprint area are considered archaeologically sensitive and will require Phase I testing for the rehabilitation and alternative reuse alternatives discussed in this study.

A large multi-component Native American archaeological site is located slightly north of the bridge location. This area is also posited to be the likely location of a massacre during the 1748 King George's War. See Appendix H: VTrans Archaeological Resource Identification for more information.

2 SAFETY

Crash data is not available for the study area however no concerns related to accidents at the bridge have been brought forth by the Town or discussed at the Local Concerns Meeting.

3 LOCAL CONCERNS

A Local Concerns Questionnaire was completed by the Town of Jamaica, in addition to a Local Concerns Meeting (LCM) held virtually via Zoom on 12/14/2020. The following comments were received:

- The bridge provides the only access to 5 residences and Jamaica State Park, which hosts many scheduled events throughout the year. Public Safety and Public Works could not provide service to these residents without the bridge.
- The Jamaica Village School is approximately 500 feet from the bridge. Residents on the opposite side of the West River need a bridge to get their children to school from their homes (the school operates from the end of August to mid-June).
- The bridge is often used by pedestrians and cyclists, cars often wait for pedestrians and cyclists to exit the bridge before driving over it.
- Proponents of bridge rehabilitation and adaptive reuse with a new bridge upstream spoke at the LCM.
- Concern was raised during the LCM regarding the live load posting for the bridge of 8 tons. It was noted that this precluded fuel, fire, septic and logging trucks from using the bridge.
- A representative of the US Army Corps of Engineers stated that they are required to complete maintenance for the base of the Ball Mountain Dam which needs to be accessed utilizing the bridge. A HL-93 or HS-20 live load capacity is desired for this work.
- An Alternatives Presentation Meeting will be held in the spring of 2021.

4 MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC

In accordance with Vermont Agency of Transportation (Agency) guidance this project was reviewed to determine suitability for the Accelerated Bridge Program which focuses on faster delivery of construction plans, permitting and Right-of-Way, as well as faster construction of projects in the field. In addition to cost savings, the intention is to minimize the closure period with faster construction techniques and incentives for contractors to complete projects sooner. Due to the location of the bridge on a dead end road and the narrow width and configuration of the bridge, the use of accelerated bridge techniques were not deemed feasible for the project.

4.1 Off-Site Detour or Phased Construction

Depot Street is a dead-end road and the only nearby access to the east side of the West River. An off-site detour is not a feasible alternative for this project. Due to the narrow width of the bridge and

anticipated construction activities, phased construction of the bridge rehabilitation is also not a feasible alternative for this project.

4.2 Temporary Bridge

If rehabilitation of the bridge is the preferred alternative, a temporary bridge will be required to maintain traffic across the West River. From a constructability standpoint, a temporary bridge could be placed on either the upstream or downstream side of the bridge. From a natural, historic and archaeological standpoint, all four corners of the bridge are sensitive and therefore neither upstream or downstream of the bridge presents a strong advantage. There is an access drive located on the northeast quadrant of the bridge that would be very difficult to access should the temporary bridge be located downstream. In addition, locating a bridge on the upstream side of the existing bridge would allow for better a tie-in with the continuation of the road and park entrance to the north. For these reasons, an upstream temporary bridge is recommended for the rehabilitation alternatives.

Advantages: Traffic flow can be maintained along Depot Street across the West River. Upon completion of the project, the area used for the temporary bridge would be returned to its pre-construction condition.

Disadvantages: This alternative would require additional right-of-way acquisition and will require additional permitting and investigation due to the nearby archaeologically sensitive areas. Trees would likely need to be removed to accommodate the new bridge.

4.3 Maintaining Traffic on the Existing Bridge While a New Bridge is Constructed Off-Alignment

Should adaptive reuse be the preferred alternative, it is recommended that the new bridge be located upstream of the existing bridge for the reasons stated above. For this alternative, the existing bridge would be used to maintain traffic across the West River until such time that the new bridge is completed. Traffic would then be transferred to the new bridge and the required repairs would be made to the existing truss bridge.

Advantages: Traffic flow can be maintained along Depot Street across the West River.

Disadvantages: This alternative would require additional right-of-way acquisition and will require additional permitting and investigation due to the nearby archaeologically sensitive areas. Trees would likely need to be removed to accommodate the temporary bridge. This alternative would require permanent impacts to archaeologically and environmentally sensitive areas.

5 ALTERNATIVES DISCUSSION

5.1 Load Rating Summary

A structural analysis and load rating was performed for all primary live load carrying members of the bridge. The Service Load (Allowable Stress) Rating method was used for all members in accordance with the provisions of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, 17th Edition, AASHTO Manual for Bridge Evaluation Third Edition with 2019 Interim Revisions (MBE), and the 2010 VTrans Structures Design Manual. Allowable stress values for the timber deck was obtained from the 2018 National Design Specification for Wood Construction and Supplement (NDS). The species and grade assigned to the wood deck was based on a visual examination of knots, checks, slope of grain of the wood and growth rate characteristics of the wood.

Per the scope of services, the bridge was rated for four AASHTO live loads; H8 (8 tons), H12 (12 tons), H15 (15 tons) and H20 (20 tons). All structural members were rated for single lane loading configurations. The controlling live load force effect for each AASHTO live load was taken as the maximum of the design truck or the lane load for the trusses and as the design truck for the deck, stringers and floor beams. Excel spreadsheets, MathCAD computer program, and hand calculations were utilized to calculate the as-inspected section properties, capacities, and load rating values. BAR7 computer program was used to perform the structural analysis of the Pratt Through-Truss and to determine the truss and member forces. See the Table 5-1 below for a summary of all members rated. All members were rated using the properties of an AASHTO H-20 vehicle.

The load rating was performed for all members considering their 'as-built' condition recognizing that some members exhibit section loss of varying degrees. Section loss was measured in select areas of the truss and representative values utilized in preparing the alternative recommendations, however they are not reflected in the ratings below.

Table 5.1 – Bridge Members Rating Summary¹

Member	Member Size	Inventory Load Rating	Operating Load Rating
Timber Deck	5½" x 5½"	H 12.8	H 17.0
Longitudinal Stringer	S10 x 25.4	H 7.8	H 11.0
Transverse Floor beam	S15 x 42.9	H 10.0	H 14.6
End Diagonal	2 – C9 x 13.4 w/ PL ⁵ / ₁₆ " x 16 ¼"	H 33.5	H 45.5

Upper Chord	2 – C9x13.4 w/ PL ^{5/16} ” x 16 ¼”	H 21.5	H 30.9
Lower Chord at Ends	2 – L4 x 4 x 3/8	H 36.0	H 55.0
Lower Chord at Midspan	2 – L6 x 4 x 1/2	H 19.2	H 32.5
First Vertical from End	2 – L5 x 3 x 5/16	H 48.5	H 67.6
Interior Vertical	4 – L5 x 3 x 5/16	H 56.3	H 73.4
First Diagonal	2 – L5 x 3 1/2 x 3/8	H 24.8	H 38.8
Second Diagonal	2 – L4x 3 x 5/16	H 21.7	H 33.9
Counter Diagonals	2 – L3 x 2 1/2 x 5/16	H 26.4	H 38.9
Gusset Plates	-----	H 22.5	H 33.9

1. The controlling floor system member rating is the stringers, the controlling truss member rating is the lower chord at midspan (nodes L4 to L5).

5.2 No Action

This alternative would involve leaving the bridge in its current condition. A good rule of thumb for the “No Action” alternative is whether the bridge can stay in place without any work being performed on the bridge in the next 10 years. The existing bridge superstructure is considered to be in satisfactory condition with the portions of the deck and many of the stringers in fair to poor condition requiring some action. As this alternative does not meet the projects Purpose and Need, the No Action alternative is not recommended. A cost estimate has not been provided for this alternative since there are no immediate costs.

5.3 Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of the existing bridge is considered viable with three alternatives considered in more detail. As previously noted, four live load levels were initially evaluated, however after completion of the bridge load rating, it was determined that the same level of rehabilitation for the H12 live load would also be sufficient for the H15 live load level and they were therefore combined into a single alternative. This combination of live load levels is discussed in more detail below.

The rehabilitation alternatives considered are based on the following desired postings:

- a. H8 (8 Tons)
- b. H12 and H15 (12 and 15 Tons)

c. H20 (20 Tons)

All rehabilitation options would include the following major work items:

- Removal and replacement of the wood decking. Solid sawn decking and runners are included in the H8 alternative while a glulam deck with solid sawn runners is included in all other alternatives. A steel grid deck with lightweight concrete was also evaluated but not pursued due to it's higher weight when compared to timber which would potentially require additional truss member replacements and larger floor member sizes to accommodate the higher weight.
- Installation of a timber curb at the edge of the deck.
- Removal and replacement of all existing stringers. While the existing stringers have a live load rating of H7.8 tons which is reasonably close to H8, this capacity does not take into account the condition of the stringers. Taking condition into account, the majority of the stringers rate lower than H7.8 and therefore require replacement.
- Repair or replacement of miscellaneous damaged members such as portal bracing or bridge railing.
- Installation of a temporary road and bridge upstream of the existing bridge for maintenance of traffic during rehabilitation.
- Cleaning and painting of all remaining bridge members.
- Removal and replacement of all approach guardrail.
- Milling of the approach roadway pavement and repaving the approaches.
- Concrete repairs and replacement of portions of the abutment cap and backwall.
- Chinking the faces of each abutment.

a. H8 (8 Tons)

This alternative retains the existing load rating of 8 tons and includes the major work items listed above. The major changes to the bridge for this alternative include replacement of the longitudinal stringers due to a lack of capacity when considering their current condition and replacement of the deck due to condition and the need to access the stringers for replacement. The stringers are replaced with an A709 Grade 36 W10x26 with a capacity of H9.6. Of all the build alternatives evaluated, it would require the least work to the bridge.

b. H12 and H 15 (12 and 15 Tons)

For the purposes of the conceptual level Scoping Study, the 12 and 15-ton live load alternatives were combined since there was little difference in the number of improvements required when comparing the two alternates. While all truss components rate above the H15 level, the transverse floor beam do not have sufficient capacity with a rating of H10.0 and therefore require replacement for both the H12 and H15 alternatives. Replacement of the floor beams with an equivalent modern section provides over an H15 rating due to the increase in strength achieved with modern steel. Due to the bridge

geometry and available modern member sizes available, there would not be any appreciable cost savings when comparing the floor beam required for an H12 and H15 rating which is the primary reason these alternatives were combined.

The H12 and H15 alternative includes all major work items included in the H8 alternative with the following additions or changes:

- Remove and replace all stringers with an A709 Grade 50 W10x26 or S10x35 section with a live load capacity of H19.0 and H19.9 respectively when braced at midspan.
- Remove and replace all floor beams with A709 Grade 36 W16x40 beam (16.2-ton rating).

c. H20 (20 Tons)

The H20 alternative provides the highest live load capacity of the rehabilitation alternatives considered and requires the most work to the truss. Importantly, in addition to floor member replacements, this alternative also requires replacement of a portion of the truss bottom chord to meet the H20 rating. Replacement of the bottom chord section requires temporary shoring of the trusses which accounts for the majority of the cost difference between this and the H12 and H15 alternative.

The H20 alternative includes all major work items included in the H12 and H15 alternative with the following additions or changes:

- Remove and replace all stringers with an A709 Grade 50 W10x30 section with a live load capacity of H22.2 when braced at midspan.
- Remove and replace all floor beams with A709 Grade 50 W16x40 beam (H 23.8-ton capacity).
- Remove and replace a portion of the truss lower chord at midspan to meet the H20 live load capacity.

An HS20 design vehicle has a total weight of 72,000 lbs (36 tons) which is significantly more than the H20 (20 ton) alternative. As such, the HS20 alternative would require additional lower chord and truss web member replacement and was therefore not considered further due to the extensive member replacement that would be required.

5.4 Adaptive Reuse with New Bridge Off Alignment

This alternative includes retaining the existing truss bridge in its current location for continued use by pedestrians and installation of a new roadway bridge upstream as shown on Sheets 8 and 9 in Appendix M. The truss work would be limited to those items required to allow for use of the bridge by pedestrians and as needed to preserve the historic truss. A Memorandum of Agreement is required for this alternative since it would change the use of the bridge which is included in the Historic Metal Truss Preservation Plan (see Appendix I for more details).

For the adaptive reuse alternative, the major work items for the existing truss bridge include the

following:

- Cleaning and painting of all steel members.
- Removing the existing wooden runners and replacing with new, full-width runners to provide an even walking surface.
- Rail modifications for pedestrian use including installation of vertical balusters to meet code requirements.
- Installation of a wood curb along the edges of the deck.
- Removal of approach pavement and guardrail and installation of pavement for pedestrian use (10' wide) and limited approach railing at each corner of the bridge.
- Concrete repairs to the abutment caps and backwall.

As part of the adaptive reuse alternative, a new bridge is constructed upstream of the existing truss on a new alignment. The bridge provides a 75-year service life estimate for new construction. The various considerations for this option include the roadway alignment, bridge geometry, superstructure type and substructure type.

a. Alignment

To avoid impact to the school driveway on the northwest approach to the bridge, two horizontal curves are used on the west approach with a third horizontal curve on the east approach to tie into the existing roadway intersection and locate the new bridge upstream of the existing. The approach roadways include two, 9' wide lanes and two, 2' wide shoulders and standard w-beam guardrail. The new roadway meets state standards with the exception of the radius of the horizontal alignment which is limited by geometric constraints associated with tying into the existing road network. If this alternative is selected, then additional study of the turning movements on the approaches to the bridge will be required. As currently envisioned, the alignment appears adequate for anticipated turning movements however some may require temporarily crossing into the adjacent lane which would be acceptable due to the low volume of traffic and sufficient sight distance on the approaches.

b. Bridge Geometry

The centerline of the new, single-span bridge is located approximately 50' upstream of the existing which provides approximately 25' clear between the fascias of the bridges. This provides sufficient clearance between the new bridges during construction of the new bridge and would keep salt-laden snow from the new bridge from being placed on the existing bridge during snow removal operations. The bridge includes two, 9' wide lanes and two, 2' wide shoulders.

The clear span of the bridge is 142' which was deemed acceptable based on hydraulic considerations (see Appendix D). The low chord of the new bridge is conceptually set 1' above the Q_{100} flood elevation.

c. Superstructure Type

Prefabricated structure elements are limited for this span given the weight and shipping lengths. Additionally, since traffic will be maintained on the existing truss bridge, there is no need to accelerate construction and conventional construction will be used. The most economical structure for this span length that is commonly used in Vermont is a steel beam bridge.

d. Substructure Type

The subsurface conditions at the existing and new bridge locations are unknown and therefore borings will be required to determine subsurface conditions at the new bridge site. Possible substructure types include reinforced concrete abutments supported on piles or spread footings (See Appendix E).

e. Maintenance of Traffic

Traffic would be maintained on the existing truss bridge during construction of the new bridge upstream.

5.5 Pedestrian Bridge Installation

A dedicated pedestrian bridge may be installed upstream of the existing bridge to separate the pedestrian and vehicular traffic across the West River on Depot Street. This alternative would cost approximately \$500,000 and would not increase the live load capacity of the existing bridge. While this alternative meets pedestrian needs for the crossing, it does not meet vehicular live load needs and was not evaluated further.

6 ALTERNATIVES SUMMARY

Based on the existing site conditions, bridge condition and recommendations from hydraulics, the following are viable alternatives:

- Alternative 1 . Rehabilitation for H8 (8 ton) loading.
- Alternative 2. Rehabilitation for H15 (15 ton) loading.
- Alternative 3. Rehabilitation for H20 (20 ton) loading.
- Alternative 4. Adaptive Reuse with New Bridge Off-Alignment.

7 COST MATRIX¹

Jamaica BO 1442(42)		Do Nothing	Alternative 1	Alternative 2 ³	Alternative 3	Alternative 4
			Rehabilitation for H8 (8-ton) Loading	Rehabilitation for H15 (15-ton) Loading	Rehabilitation for H20 (20-ton) Loading	Adaptive Reuse with New Bridge Off-Alignment
COST	Bridge Cost	\$0	\$950,577	\$1,123,817	\$1,307,217	\$2,177,000
	Removal of Structure	\$0	\$31,560	\$66,520	\$74,000	\$17,000
	Roadway	\$0	\$249,622	\$240,483	\$256,989	\$702,000
	Maintenance of Traffic	\$0	\$413,075	\$413,075	\$413,075	\$20,000
	Construction Costs	\$0	\$1,613,274	\$1,843,895	\$2,051,281	\$2,916,000
	Construction Engineering & Contingencies	\$0	\$483,982	\$553,169	\$615,384	\$729,000
	Accelerated Premium	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Construction Costs w CEC	\$0	\$2,097,256	\$2,397,064	\$2,666,665	\$3,644,000
	Preliminary Engineering	\$0	\$161,327	\$360,000	\$205,128	\$583,000
	Right of Way	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Total Project Costs	\$0	\$2,422,256	\$2,397,064	\$3,081,665	\$4,233,000
	Annualized Costs	\$0	\$60,556	\$69,052	\$77,042	\$56,434
TOWN SHARE		\$0	\$121,113	\$138,103	\$154,083	\$423,300
TOWN %		0%	5%	5%	5%	10%
SCHEDULING	Project Development Duration	N/A	4 Years	4 Years	4 Years	4 Years
	Construction Duration	N/A	4 months	7 months	7 months	9 months
	Closure Duration (If Applicable)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
ENGINEERING	Typical Section - Roadway (feet)	19'	19'	19'	19'	19'
	Typical Section - Bridge (feet)	13'-5"	13'-5"	13'-5"	13'-5"	22'-0"
	Geometric Design Criteria	Substandard Width	Substandard Width	Substandard Width	Substandard Width	Meets Standard
	Traffic Safety	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change
	Alignment Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change
	Bicycle Access	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard	Improved
	Pedestrian Access	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard	Substandard	Meets Standard
	Hydraulics	Meets Minimum Standard	Meets Minimum Standard	Meets Minimum Standard	Meets Minimum Standard	Meets Minimum Standard
	Utilities	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	Relocation – Aerial Only
OTHER	ROW Acquisition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Road Closure	No	No	No	No	No
	Design Life (years) ¹	<10	40	40	40	75

¹ Costs are estimates only, used for comparison purposes.

² A design life of 40 years will be assumed for the deck and superstructure rehabilitation options based on the existing substructure rating of “Good” condition.

³ Please note that the 12-ton alternative is identical in scope to the 15-ton alternative, therefore only the 15-ton alternative is provided since it has a higher live load rating.

8 CONCLUSION

Alternative 3, rehabilitation for H-20 (20-ton) loading is recommended while maintaining traffic on an upstream temporary bridge.

Discussion:

Bridge 32 meets the requirements for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places and was previously documented as part of the 1998 VTrans Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement within Category A, whose rehabilitation for limited highway use was determined to be both feasible and prudent. The 165'-0" span steel Pratt through-truss is posted for 8 tons, retains nearly all it's original members and is in satisfactory condition. The bridge is however in need of maintenance repairs to address deterioration of portions of the timber deck, rusting of steel members and deterioration of portions of the abutments. In addition to the maintenance needs of the bridge, the current 8 ton posting does not allow for fire trucks to cross the bridge which increases emergency response time and also does easily allow for fuel delivery.

Alternative 3 would allow for use of the bridge by the Town's fire trucks and fuel oil deliveries and would address all current maintenance needs of the bridge while maintaining an historic structure. The alternative includes replacement of the floor system with new steel floor beams and stringers and new glulam deck to accommodate the higher live load capacity, cleaning, painting and repairs to truss members, substructure concrete repair and approach roadway improvements. Alternative 3 would not have the permanent archaeological and environmental impacts of Alternative 4 Adaptive Reuse with New Bridge Off Alignment and the estimated cost is \$1.15M less than Alternative 4.

Traffic Control:

Traffic will be maintained on the existing bridge while a new, temporary bridge is installed upstream. Traffic will be transferred to the temporary bridge will repairs are made to Bridge 32 and once completed, traffic will be returned to truss bridge and the temporary bridge removed.

APPENDIX A

Site Photographs

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Appendix A
Site Photographs
Depot Street Bridge over West River, Jamaica, VT



Photo 1: Looking West over Bridge 32 from East Approach



Photo 2: Looking East over Bridge 32 from Bridge Deck

Appendix A
Site Photographs
Depot Street Bridge over West River, Jamaica, VT



Photo 3: Looking Upstream from Bridge 32



Photo 4: Looking Downstream from Bridge 32

Appendix A
Site Photographs
Depot Street Bridge over West River, Jamaica, VT



Photo 5: Looking East at Floor System from West Abutment



Photo 6: Face of West Abutment

Appendix A
Site Photographs
Depot Street Bridge over West River, Jamaica, VT



Photo 7: Looking West at Bridge 32 from East Approach



Photo 8: Looking East at Bridge 32 from West Approach

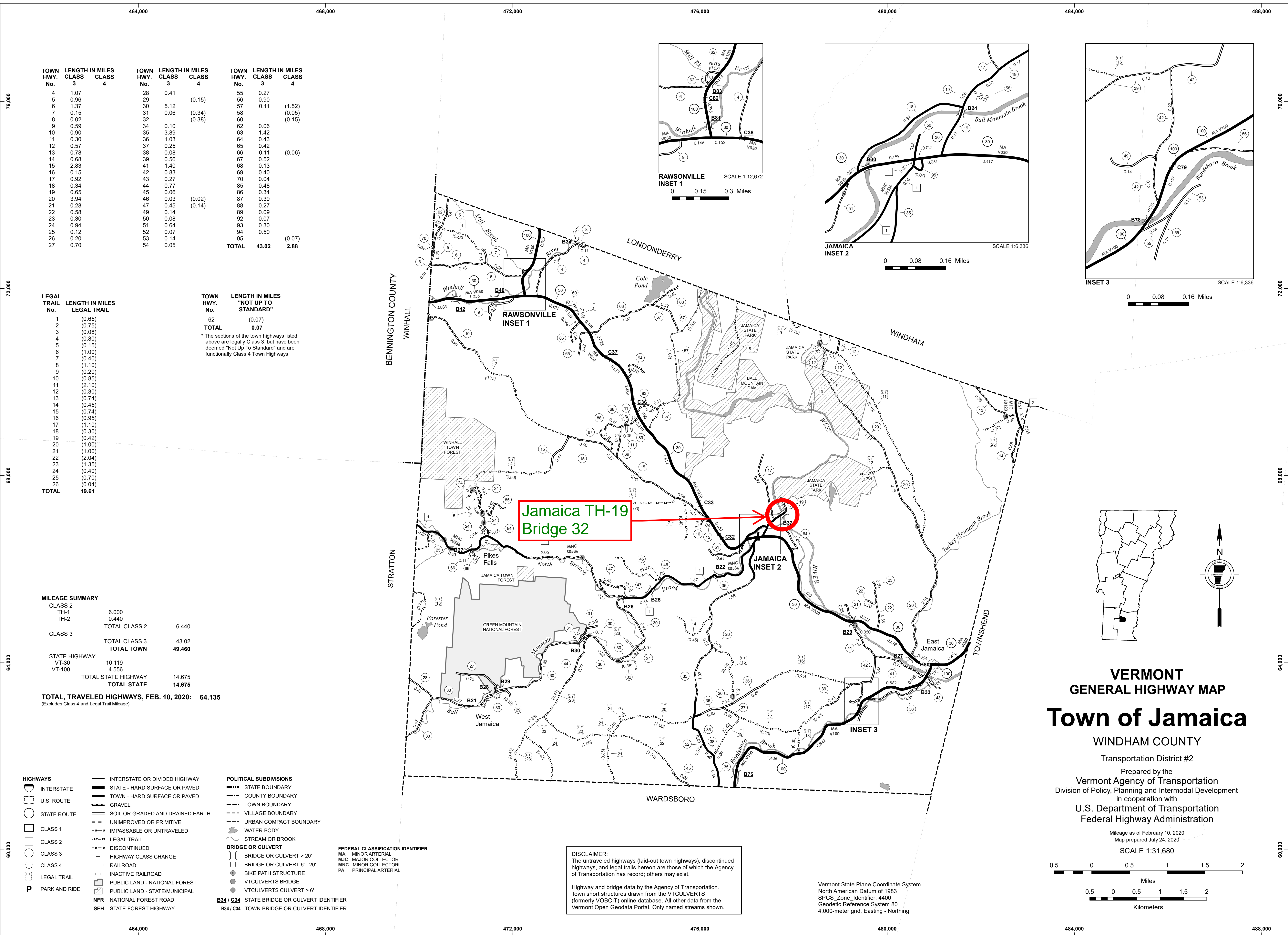
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Photo 9: Looking West on Bridge 32

APPENDIX B

Town Map



APPENDIX C

Bridge Inspection Report

STRUCTURE INSPECTION, INVENTORY and APPRAISAL SHEET

Vermont Agency of Transportation ~ Structures Section ~ Bridge Management and Inspection Unit

Inspection Report for JAMAICA

bridge no.: 00032

District: 2

Located on: C3019 over WEST RIVER

approximately 0.1 MI JCT TH 17 & TH 19 Owner: 03 TOWN-OWNED

CONDITION

Deck Rating: 6 SATISFACTORY
Superstructure Rating: 6 SATISFACTORY
Substructure Rating: 6 SATISFACTORY
Channel Rating: 8 VERY GOOD
Culvert Rating: N NOT APPLICABLE
Federal Str. Number: 101309003213091
Federal Sufficiency Rating: 043.1
Deficiency Status of Structure: FD

AGE and SERVICE

Year Built: 1926 Year Reconstructed: 0000
Service On: 1 HIGHWAY
Service Under: 5 WATERWAY
Lanes On the Structure: 01
Lanes Under the Structure: 00
Bypass, Detour Length (miles): 99
ADT: 000160 % Truck ADT: 02
Year of ADT: 2007

GEOMETRIC DATA

Length of Maximum Span (ft): 0165
Structure Length (ft): 000172
Lt Curb/Sidewalk Width (ft): 0
Rt Curb/Sidewalk Width (ft): 0
Bridge Rdwy Width Curb-to-Curb (ft): 13.5
Deck Width Out-to-Out (ft): 14
Appr. Roadway Width (ft): 019
Skew: 00
Bridge Median: 0 NO MEDIAN
Min Vertical Clr Over (ft): 14 FT 07 IN
Feature Under: FEATURE NOT A HIGHWAY
OR RAILROAD
Min Vertical Underclr (ft): 00 FT 00 IN

STRUCTURE TYPE and MATERIALS

Bridge Type: STEEL THRU TRUSS
Number of Approach Spans: 0000 Number of Main Spans: 001
Kind of Material and/or Design: 3 STEEL
Deck Structure Type: 8 TIMBER
Type of Wearing Surface: 7 WOOD OR TIMBER
Type of Membrane: 0 NONE
Deck Protection: 7 CCA.CREOSOTED WOOD

APPRAISAL *AS COMPARED TO FEDERAL STANDARDS

Bridge Railings: 0 DOES NOT MEET CURRENT STANDARD
Transitions: 0 DOES NOT MEET CURRENT STANDARD
Approach Guardrail: 0 DOES NOT MEET CURRENT STANDARD
Approach Guardrail Ends: 0 DOES NOT MEET CURRENT STANDARD
Structural Evaluation: 4 MEETS MINIMUM TOLERABLE CRITERIA
Deck Geometry: 2 INTOLERABLE, REPLACEMENT NEEDED
Underclearances Vertical and Horizontal: N NOT APPLICABLE
Waterway Adequacy: 7 SLIGHT CHANCE OF OVERTOPPING BRIDGE & ROADWAY
Approach Roadway Alignment: 6 EQUAL TO MINIMUM CRITERIA

Scour Critical Bridges: U UNKNOWN FOUNDATION

DESIGN VEHICLE, RATING, and POSTING

Load Rating Method (Inv): 2 ALLOWABLE STRESS (AS)
Posting Status: P POSTED FOR LOAD
Bridge Posting: 5 NO POSTING REQUIRED
Load Posting: 03 BRIDGE IS LEGALLY LOAD POSTED AT ONE END ONLY
Posted Vehicle: 6 GROSS LOAD ONLY
Posted Weight (tons): 08
Design Load: 0 OTHER OR UNKNOWN

INSPECTION and CROSS REFERENCE X-Ref. Route:

Insp. Date: 102019 Insp. Freq. (months) 24 X-Ref. BrNum:

INSPECTION SUMMARY and NEEDS

10/1/2019 Stringers have measurable section loss with the worst being in bay #1 near abutment #1. Lower sections of verticals, diagonals and the bottom chord have pitting and rust scaling around connections. Timber deck is showing signs of decay and movement and should have restraint system installed to prevent deck from translating downstream. Runners have heavy breakup with multiple boards being loose and damaged and need to be replaced. Bridge seats and lower sections of truss system need to be cleaned off from sediment build up. Paint system has failed along truss system and should be cleaned and repainted. Abutments have large voids present and should be filled. SMP & SEP

10/11/2017 Structure is in fair condition. Bearing area on both abutments have a sand buildup and should be cleaned off. Voids in the abutments should be repaired. Town should consider full width runners to help stop the sand from reaching the top flanges of the stringers and floor beam. Steel could use painting. ~FRE/JAS

10/20/2015 Structure is in fair condition. The bearing area on both abutments should be washed off. Both abutments have areas of voids and should be chinked with smaller stone. Town should consider adding full width runners to help stop some of the sand from setting on the top flange of the stringers and floor beams. Structure should be cleaned and painted soon. FRE/JAS

APPENDIX D

Preliminary Hydraulics

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FROM: Christian Boisvert, Hydraulics Project Engineer

DATE: November 10, 2020

SUBJECT: Jamaica BO 1442(42), pin#19J226
Jamaica, TH-19, Bridge 32 over West River
Site location: 0.1 miles southwest of TH-17 and TH-19 intersection
Coordinates: [43.104511, -72.773017](#)

We have completed our hydraulic study for the above referenced site, and offer the following for your use:

On 10/20/2020 we met with ANR at the site. We (Scott Jenson, Keith Friedland and I) agreed that the span between existing abutment faces (158') meets current state environmental standards with regard to span length and opening height. Keith confirmed this in an email on 11/5/2020. Scott Jenson also noted the minimum allowable span for a new structure could be within 10% of the existing span (approximately 142 feet) if circumstances made a shorter span favorable to designers.

TH-19 is a Local Road. Therefore, Design Storm Flow is 4% AEP (Q25).

The following was analyzed:

Existing Conditions:

- Single span through-truss steel bridge
- 158-foot clear span with a low beam elevation of 669.4 feet
- Provides 7.2 feet of freeboard at the design AEP and 6.2 feet of freeboard at the 1% AEP
- The Existing Conditions meets current hydraulic standards

Option 1: Similar sized structure

Stone Fill, Type IV is to be used to protect any disturbed channel banks or roadway slopes at the structure's inlet and outlet. A final scour countermeasure design will be performed during final design.

A preliminary scour analysis was performed as part of this study assuming a D50 of 10 mm (gravel). Preliminary scour calculations provide a value of 'zero' for a contraction scour depth. For preliminary design assume that the bottom of footing elevation is 6-ft below the streambed or founded on ledge. A final scour analysis will be performed during the final design phase.

Other similar sized structures could be considered for this site. If another alternative is considered, coordinate with the Hydraulics Unit to perform additional analyses.

Please contact us with any questions, or to check substructure configuration scenarios.

APPENDIX E

Preliminary Geotechnical Information

To: Nick Wark, P.E., P.I.I.T. Program Manager

From: ^{ASA} August Arles, Geotechnical Engineer, via ^{CEE} Callie Ewald, P.E., Geotechnical Engineering Manager

Date: February 24th, 2020

Subject: Jamaica BO 1442(42) Preliminary Geotechnical Information

1.0 INTRODUCTION

As requested, we have conducted our preliminary geotechnical investigation of Bridge No. 32 on Town Highway 19 (Depot St.) over the West River in the town of Jamaica, VT. Bridge No. 32 is located approximately 0.4 miles from the intersection of Depot St. and VT Route 30. The subject project consists of replacing or rehabilitating the existing single span, steel bridge. This review included the examination of as-built record plans, historical in-house boring logs, water well logs and hazardous site information on file at the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR), as well as published surficial and bedrock geologic maps. A site visit was not conducted by Geotechnical Section staff however photos from bridge inspection reports and available satellite imagery were reviewed as part of this preliminary investigation.

2.0 SUBSURFACE INFORMATION

2.1 Published Geologic Data

Mapping conducted in 1970 for the Surficial Geologic Map of Vermont shows that the project area consists of postglacial fluvial deposits, primarily consisting of sand and gravel deposits (Doll, 1970).

According to the 2011 Bedrock Map of Vermont, published by the USGS and State of Vermont, the project site is on the border of two bedrock formations and is underlain with quartzite of the Dalton Formation and gneiss of the Biotite-quartz-plagioclase gneiss Formation (Ratliffe, et. al, 2011).

The Geotechnical Engineering Section maintains a GIS based historical record of subsurface investigations, which contains electronic records for the majority borings completed in the past 10 years. An exploration of this database revealed no nearby projects within a 0.5-mile radius of the project site.

2.2 Water Well Logs

The Vermont ANR documents and publishes all water wells that are drilled for residential or commercial purposes. Published online, these logs may provide general characteristics of the soil strata and depth to bedrock in the area. The three closest recorded water wells were TAG 22602, TAG 23689, and WRN 170. TAG 22602 is located approximately 591 feet from the project site, TAG 23689 is located approximately 694 feet away, and WRN 170 is located approximately 702 feet away. Bedrock was reported at a depth of 4 feet, 0

feet (at ground surface elevation), and 67 feet for wells TAG 22602, TAG 23689, and WRN 170, respectively.

2.3 Hazardous Materials and Underground Storage Tanks

The ANR Natural Resources Atlas also maps the location and information of known hazardous waste sites and underground tanks. The project site location is not listed on the Hazardous Site List, however, there is one underground storage tank approximately 550 feet away at the Jamaica Village School.

2.4 Record Plans

There were no record plans, foundation information, or subsurface information available for this project.

3.0 FIELD OBSERVATIONS

A site investigation was not conducted by the Geotechnical Section staff, however, photos from bridge inspection reports and satellite imagery were reviewed to evaluate feasibility of boring operations and assess general site conditions as they relate to the proposed project.

Bedrock outcrops were not observed in the vicinity of the existing bridge however cobbles and boulders were present throughout the riverbed and along the banks of the West River, as shown in Figures 3.2 through 3.4. Both banks are highly vegetated with shrubs and trees visible throughout.

Overhead utilities are present running parallel to the upstream face of the bridge, as seen in Figure 3.1. We do not anticipate that these overhead utilities will restrict boring operations, however, a minimum safe distance from the drilling equipment will be required to be maintained during drilling operations. Bridge No. 32 has a weight capacity of 8 tons, as noted in Figure 3.7, this may impact our ability to access the eastern side of the bridge for boring explorations due to the weight of our drilling equipment.



Figure 3.1 *Looking west at bridge; note overhead utilities on the upstream face of the bridge. [Inspection photo dated 2017].*



Figure 3.2 *Looking upstream at bridge; note cobbles and boulders located in riverbed. [Inspection photo dated 2019].*



Figure 3.3 *Underneath the western abutment looking across the West River; note boulders along riverbed and along bank. [Inspection photo dated 2019]*



Figure 3.4 *Abutment of the western approach of the bridge. [Inspection photo dated 2019]*



Figure 3.5 *Abutment of the western approach of the bridge; note boulders. [Inspection photo dated 2019]*



Figure 3.6 *Abutment of the western approach of the bridge; note boulders. [Inspection photo dated 2019]*



Figure 3.7 Posted sign designating the weight limit of Bridge No. 32. [Inspection photo dated 2019]

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Preliminary Foundation Alternatives

Based on the preliminary information review during this investigation, if a full bridge replacement option is chosen as the preferred alternative, foundation options for a replacement structure include the following:

- Reinforced concrete abutments supported on piles or spread footings

4.2 Proposed Subsurface Investigation

Once a proposed alignment for the replacement bridge is chosen, we recommend advancing a minimum of one test boring at each abutment location on opposite sides of the roadway at the locations of the proposed abutments in order to more fully assess the subsurface conditions at the site including, but not limited to, the soil properties, groundwater conditions, and depth to bedrock (if applicable). If shallow bedrock is encountered during drilling operations, additional borings will likely be required to profile the bedrock elevation across the footprint of the proposed structure.

5.0 CLOSING

When a design alternative as well as a preliminary alignment has been chosen, the Geotechnical Engineering Section can assist in designing a subsurface investigation that efficiently gathers adequate information for the alternative chosen.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this report, please contact us by phone at (802) 828-2561.

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APPENDIX F

Traffic Memo

HIGHWAY DIVISION
TRAFFIC RESEARCH

TO: Daniel Beard, Technician

FROM: Maureen Carr, Traffic Analysis Engineer *maureen white for Maureen Carr CW*
Colin Philbrook, Traffic Analysis Technician *CCP*

DATE: August 27, 2019

RE: Jamaica BO 1442(42)
TH 19 (Depot St.)- BR #32

As requested on July 16, 2019, please find complete estimated traffic data on the above project in the town of Jamaica. The data for the years 2023, 2043 and 2063 is included in the table below.

If you have any questions, or if further information is needed, please call at 522-4089.

TRAFFIC DATA	2023	2043	2063
AADT	260	280	~
DHV	70	75	~
ADTT	15	25	~
%T	5.8	8.6	~
%D	58	58	~
FLEXIBLE ESAL	~	2023 ~ 2043 27,000	2023 ~ 2063 59,000

CC: Data Analysis Files

APPENDIX G

Natural Resources ID

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To: Project File
From: James Brady, VTrans Environmental Biologist
Date: November 7, 2019
Subject: Jamaica BO 1442 (42) - Natural Resource ID

I have completed my natural resource report for the above referenced project. My evaluation has included wetlands, wildlife habitat, agricultural soils and rare, threatened and endangered species.

Wetlands/Watercourses

There are mapped wetlands in all four quadrants of the project area.

The review area includes one perennial stream, the West River and two intermittent streams. All three are regulated by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

See attached report from Stantec for more detail.

Wildlife Habitat

See attached Stantec for detail.

Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species

See attached report for detail.

Agricultural Soils

See attached report for detail.

Invasive Species

Invasive species were also mapped as a part of Stantec's scope of work, see attached.

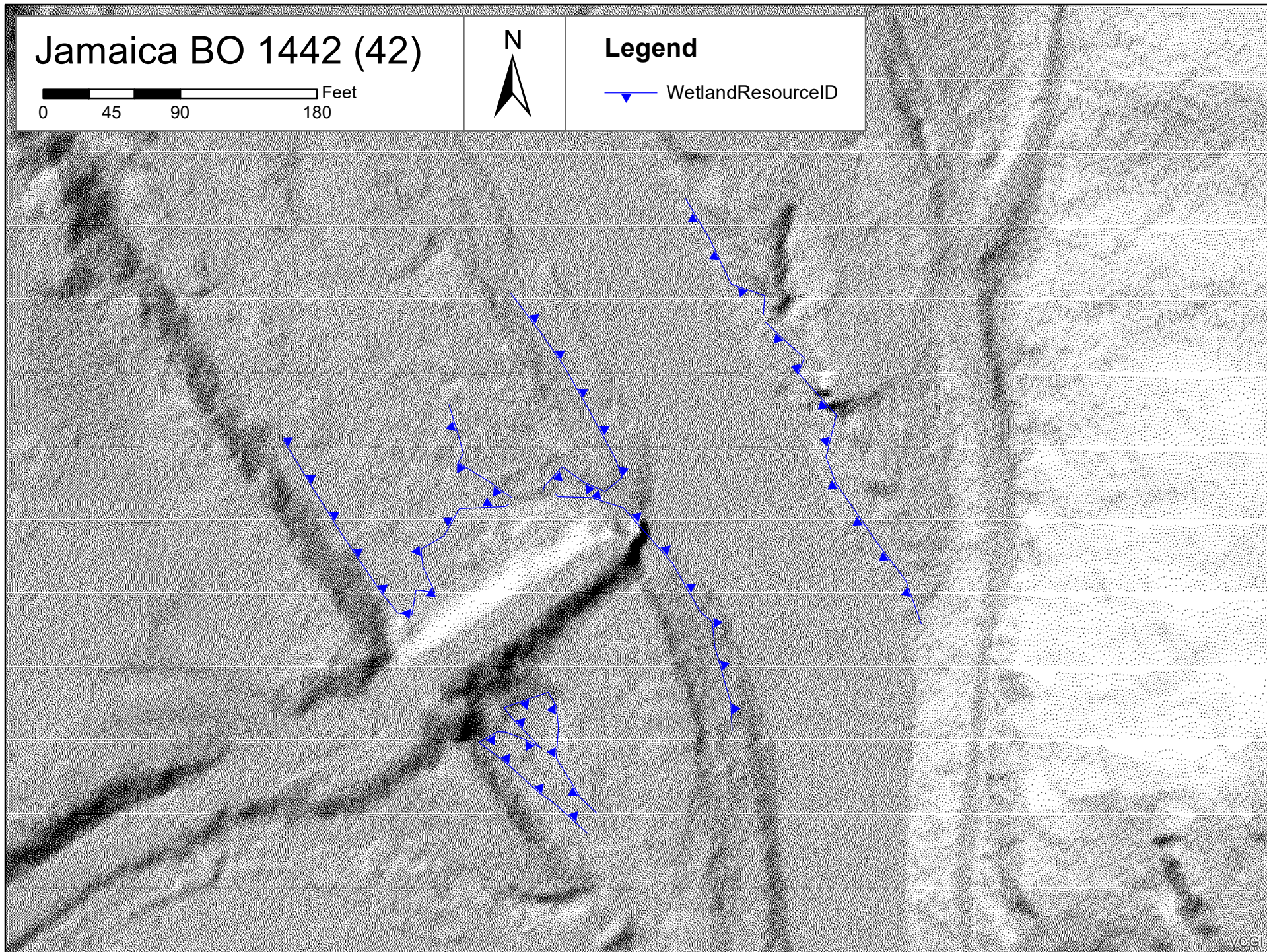
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Jamaica BO 1442 (42): TH 19 - Bridge 32



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VTRANS SOUTH STRUCTURES RESOURCE IDENTIFICATION

JAMAICA BO 1442 (42): DEPOT STREET (TH-19) BRIDGE 32

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Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory Report

INTRODUCTION

The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) secured the services of McFarland Johnson, Inc. (MJ) to complete natural resource identification review for Bridge 32 carrying Depot Street (TH-19) over the West River in Jamaica, Windham County, Vermont, see **Figure 1**, Location Map. Potential natural resources evaluated in the review include: wetlands; surface waters; floodplains; wildlife habitat; rare, threatened, and endangered species; soils; and invasive species.

The following report describes the methods and results of the resource identification review completed for the Bridge 32 site.

METHODS

STUDY AREA

The Study Area extends approximately 100 feet upstream and downstream from the structure, plus approximately 200 feet along each approach, and approximately 50 feet from the edge of pavement on the approaches. This area is intended to cover all land that could potentially be disturbed by the proposed project. These dimensions were buffered by an additional 50 feet in order to account for the wetland buffer zone associated with Vermont Class II wetlands potentially located outside the Study Area. A Study Area shapefile was created in ArcGIS based on these dimensions. The Study Area was then loaded as a background file on a Trimble Geo7X GPS unit to assist with navigating in the field and to ensure that the entire Study Area was reviewed. The Study Area is approximately 500 feet long by 260 feet wide and approximately three acres in size.

DESKTOP REVIEW

Desktop review included compiling available GIS data and mapping provided by VTrans. GIS data obtained included the following: VSWI Wetlands Advisory Layer (VTANR); VSWI Wetlands Class Layer (VTANR); VT National Wetlands Inventory Map Data (VCGI); VT Hydrography Dataset (VCGI); The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL); Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species (VTANR); Significant Natural Communities (VTANR); Habitat Blocks and Wildlife Corridors (VTANR); Deer Wintering Areas (VTANR); VT Protected Lands (VCGI); NRCS Soil Survey Units (VCGI); Agriculturally Important Soils (VCGI); 2013-2017 Contours (1ft), and orthoimages. The project Study Area was overlaid onto the existing resource mapping consisting of the above GIS data.

FIELD REVIEW

The field review was conducted on September 19, 2019.

The wetland delineation was completed in accordance with the 1987 *US Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* and the 2012 *Regional Supplement to the Corps Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region*.

Wetland boundaries and the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of surface waters were demarcated in the field using pink flagging, labeled *Wetland Delineation*, tied to vegetation and labeled with a unique identifier and sequentially numbered. The locations of wetland and OHWM flags were located using a Trimble Geo 7X GPS unit with sub-meter accuracy. GPS data were post-processed to improve accuracy using differential correction and manual editing.

Data on wetland vegetation, soils, hydrology, and other characteristics were collected. Photographs of wetlands, streams, and structures were taken. MJ documented the delineation with Army Corps Wetland Determination Data Forms at representative wetland and upland locations.

MJ collected data on the stream channel characteristics including: existing crossing structure; bankfull width, depth, and flood-prone width; substrate type; evidence of erosion and aggradation; crossing structure characteristics (i.e. plunge pools, perched outlets); and the structures ability to provide aquatic organism passage.

MJ documented the various habitat types, general habitat condition, and dominant plant cover types during the field reviews. MJ also documented wildlife observations and evidence that were present during the field reviews.

MJ noted the approximate locations of state and federal listed plant and/or animal species observed during the field review.

Invasive species, identified by the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, located within the Study Area were identified during these field reviews and their approximate locations and extents were also collected with the GPS.

JAMAICA: DEPOT STREET (TH-19) – BRIDGE 32

The following sections provide a description of the Jamaica, VT Bridge 32 Study Area; the results of the wetland and surface water delineation and field review; and a discussion of the environmental/natural resources identified during the review. Potential resources include: wetlands; surface waters; floodplains; wildlife habitat; rare, threatened, and endangered species; soils; and invasive species. **Table 1** below provides an overview of natural resources that have been identified within the Study Area. **Figure 2** illustrates data collected during the field review and **Figure 3** illustrates the existing natural resource mapping collected during the desktop review.



Photo 1: Bridge 32 over the West River, Jamaica, Vermont, facing upstream (Photo Direction: North) 09/19/2019

Table 1. Resource ID Summary Table

TOWN	STRUCTURE ID	WETLANDS	SURFACE WATERS	FLOODPLAIN / FLOODWAY	SIGNIFICANT HABITAT	RTE SPECIES	FARMLAND SOILS	INVASIVE SPECIES
JAMAICA	BRIDGE 32	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION

Bridge 32 is located in the Town of Jamaica, Windham County, Vermont, approximately 0.5 mile northeast of the town center, and carries Depot Street (TH-19) over the West River. Jamaica is located in southcentral Vermont, in the Southern Green Mountains biophysical region. Salmon Hole Lane is located northeast of Bridge 32 and serves as the main entrance to Jamaica State Park. Jamaica State Park offers camping, hiking, swimming, and fishing opportunities to the public. The Study Area is located in a rural area containing primarily forested habitat. There is relatively sparse residential development located along Depot Street to the northeast and southwest. The western half of the Study Area consists primarily of relatively flat, lower lying floodplain forests and wetland areas. The banks along the eastern side of the West River are steeper and higher. There is a relatively flat, forested upland terrace above the West River along the eastern side of the Study Area, and a steep hillslope in the easternmost corner of the Study Area.

WETLANDS

A total of four (4) wetland areas were delineated within the Study Area. Most of these wetlands are associated with the West River and its floodplain. The locations of delineated wetlands are shown on **Figure 2** and photographs of each area are included in the attached Photolog.

WETLAND 1 (JW01)

Wetland 1, flagged as JW01, is primarily a palustrine emergent wetland (PEM) located along the western bank of the West River. The fringe wetland ranges from approximately 6-18 feet wide along most of its length within the Study Area. The wetland continues outside the Study Area to the south.

Dominant vegetation in Wetland 1 included twisted sedge (*Carex torta*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), spotted Joe-pye weed (*Eutrochium maculatum*), bluejoint (*Calamagrostis canadensis*), and tall white-aster (*Doellingeria umbellata*). Trees and shrubs along the edge of the wetland area included willows (*Salix spp.*), witch hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*), red maple (*Acer rubrum*), and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*).

Functions and values provided by Wetland 1 include: wildlife habitat; rare, threatened, and endangered species habitat; and erosion control.

WETLAND 2 (JW02)

Wetland 2, flagged as JW02, is located in the northwest bridge quadrant and includes a large palustrine forested (PFO) area within the floodplain of the West River and a palustrine emergent (PEM) fringe wetland along the western shore of the West River. The two areas are separated by a natural berm along the bank of the river but are hydrologically connected via Stream 2, an intermittent stream and tributary to the West River that flows from the northwest through Wetland 2. Both the forested and emergent wetland areas continue outside the Study Area to the north.

The PFO portion of Wetland 2 is located in a broad, flat depression. Dominant herbaceous vegetation in this area included sensitive fern, rough goldenrod (*Solidago rugosa*), and tall meadow-rue (*Thalictrum pubescens*). Dominant tree species included red maple, green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*), and yellow birch.

The PEM portion of Wetland 2 is relatively similar to that of Wetland 1, with slightly less vegetation species diversity. Twisted sedge is the most dominant species in Wetland 2, forming a dense mat of vegetation with joe-pye weed and bluejoint interspersed throughout.

Wetland 2 provides the following wetland functions and values: wildlife habitat; rare, threatened, and endangered species habitat; exemplary natural communities (Rocky Cobble Shore); and erosion control.

WETLAND 3 (JW03)

Wetland 3, flagged as JW03, is a PFO depression in the southwest bridge quadrant. The area appears to be a relic stream channel in the historic floodplain of the West River that has since been abandoned and/or possibly anthropogenically excavated and modified by prior roadway construction activities. It is a relatively deep area, approximately 26-28 feet below the surface of the roadway. Large boulders have been placed along the slope leading up to Depot Street.

Vegetation in Wetland 3 was relatively sparse, particularly in the lower lying areas. Herbaceous vegetation was dominated by sensitive fern, small-spiked false nettle (*Boehmeria cylindrica*), and poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*). Tree species in Wetland 3 included green ash and American elm (*Ulmus americana*).

Function and values provided by Wetland 3 include: water storage, water quality protection, and wildlife habitat.

WETLAND 4 (JW04)

Wetland 4, flagged as JW04, is a PEM fringe wetland located along the eastern bank of the West River. The wetland area is very similar to Wetland 1 and the PEM portion of Wetland 2. Wetland 4 continues outside the Study Area to both the north and south.

Dominant vegetation in Wetland 4 included twisted sedge, sensitive fern, spotted joe-pye weed, bluejoint, and tall white-aster. Purple loosestrife, a Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets Class B Noxious Weed, was interspersed throughout this wetland.

Functions and values provided by Wetland 1 include: wildlife habitat; rare, threatened, and endangered species habitat; exemplary natural communities; and erosion control.

SURFACE WATERS

A total of three (3) surface waters were delineated within the Study Area, including a perennial river and two smaller intermittent streams. The locations of delineated surface waters are shown on **Figure 2** and photographs of each area are included in the attached Photolog.

STREAM 1 (JST01)

Stream 1, flagged as JST01, includes the delineated portion of the West River, a perennial stream, and the most prominent surface water in the Study Area. The West River flows from north to south through the Study Area. At the location of the Depot Street Bridge, the West River has a watershed size of approximately 178 square miles. The Ball Mountain Dam is located approximately three miles upstream from the Depot Street Bridge and provides flood control for the West River. The average bankfull width of the West River within the Study Area was approximately 150 feet.

The substrate of the West River consists of primarily cobbles with a few scattered boulders. Wetlands 1, 2, and 4 are fringe PEM wetlands located along the banks of the West River throughout the Study Area.

Aquatic organisms observed in the West River included green frogs, black-nosed dace, and crawfish.

STREAM 2 (JST02)

Stream 2, flagged as JST02, is an unnamed intermittent stream located in the northwest bridge quadrant. The stream is a tributary to the West River and originates outside the Study Area, flowing from the northwest, east through the Study Area and through Wetland 2 before the confluence with the West River in the northwest bridge quadrant. Stream 2 has a total watershed size of approximately 0.04 square miles (27 acres).

During the field review the stream did not have flow, however surface water was present in some deeper pools and between some of the cobbles. The dominant substrate was cobble with areas of silt/clay. The average bankfull width of Stream 2 was approximately 6 feet. Vegetation along

the banks of Stream 2 included sensitive fern, spinulose wood fern (*Dryopteris Carthusiana*), witch hazel, American hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*), and false spiraea (*Sorbaria sorbifolia*).

STREAM 3 (JST03)

Stream 3, flagged as JST03, is an unnamed intermittent stream located in the northeast bridge quadrant. Stream 3 has a total watershed size of approximately 0.17 square miles (109 acres). The stream flows out of a stone box culvert located under Salmon Hole Lane and flows southwest for approximately 130 feet to its confluence with the West River. The box culvert inlet is located approximately 100 feet northeast, along the northeastern edge of the Study Area. Immediately upstream from the box culvert inlet is a 24-inch corrugated metal pipe located underneath a driveway.

Stream 3 had an average bankfull width of approximately 6 feet in the Study Area. The substrate was primarily silt/clay and sand. There was approximately 1-2 inches of water in the stream during the field review.

FLOODPLAINS

Based on a review of the existing FEMA NFHL maps (FIRM Panel 50025C0182E eff. 9/28/2007) the West River has a 100-Year Floodplain mapped within the Study Area. There is no Regulatory Floodway within the Study Area, and Base Flood Elevations are not available.

WILDLIFE HABITAT

The West River and surrounding forested areas provide valuable terrestrial and aquatic habitat for fish and wildlife. The existing structure spans the full width of the West River and provides vegetated banks along both sides of the structure. Bridge 32 does not provide a significant barrier to terrestrial and/or aquatic organism passage.

The upland forested areas contained a mix of tree species but was dominated by sugar maple, white pine (*Pinus strobus*), red oak (*Quercus rubra*), eastern hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*), witch hazel, and American hornbeam. There are relatively large blocks of contiguous forested habitat located in the vicinity of the bridge. The West River provides a riparian corridor potentially linking habitats to the south and east with habitat blocks to the north and west. A VTANR Deer Wintering Area is also mapped in the forested area east of the West River.

Wildlife observed during the field review included green frogs, black-nosed dace, and crawfish. The stone bridge abutments could provide potential bat roosting habitat. However, the abutments were visually inspected during the field review and no guano staining or droppings were observed.

SIGNIFICANT NATURAL COMMUNITIES

The Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program has identified a Significant Natural Community (EO ID 2507) associated with the West River north (upstream) of the Depot Street

Bridge. This area is identified as a River Cobble Shore Community and it is ranked as S2, or rare in Vermont.

According to the publication *Wetland, Woodland, Wildland: A Guide to the Natural Communities of Vermont* (Thompson and Sorenson), “The River Cobble Shore Community occurs along high energy rivers and streams. The cobble substrate is unstable and is sparsely vegetated with twisted sedge, Indian hemp, grass-leaved goldenrod, Joe-pye weed, reed canary grass, bluejoint grass, and willows.”



Photo 2: West River upstream from Bridge 32 showing River Cobble Shore Community (09/19/2019)



Photo 3: River Cobble Shore Community in NW Bridge Quadrant (09/19/2019)

The above description is fairly consistent with the conditions observed during the field review. The cobble bars along the banks in the Study Area are densely vegetated by tussock forming twisted sedge, growing in a dense mat. The substrate is dominated by cobbles and small boulders with finer gravel and sands mixed in. The best example of this community within the Study Area is located along the western shore of the West River, north of Bridge 32.

Wetland, Woodland, Wildland: A Guide to the Natural Communities of Vermont also identifies several rare and uncommon species of plants associated with this community including: northern tubercled bog-orchid (*Platanthera flava*); obedient false dragonhead (*Physostegia virginiana*); dwarf sand plum (*Prunus pumila*); lake shore sedge (*Carex lenticularis*); and Canada burnet

(*Sanguisorba canadensis*). Rare, threatened, and endangered species are discussed in greater detail in the following section.

RARE, THREATENED, AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

The following sections describe the results of both state and federal rare species database queries identifying potential uncommon, rare, threatened, and endangered species located in the vicinity of the Study Area, as well as species documented within the Study Area during the September 2019 field review.

STATE-LISTED SPECIES

During the field review MJ documented the occurrence of Canada burnet (*Sanguisorba canadensis*), a Vermont State Ranked S2 Rare Plant species. The species was observed in the northwest bridge quadrant along the bank of the West River within Wetland 2.



Photo 4: Canada burnet (*Sanguisorba canadensis*) Leaf and Flower Structure (09/19/2019)



Photo 5: Canada burnet (*Sanguisorba canadensis*) Flower Structures (09/19/2019)

Due to a lack of cellular data service at the bridge site, a positive identification of this species was not made until after leaving the site and returning to the office. Therefore, the approximate limits of the population were not mapped in the field. An additional rare plant survey is recommended to determine the exact extent of this population.

In addition, a VTANR mapped Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species polygon (EO ID 5783) associated with the West River is located within the Study Area, just south of the Depot Street Bridge extending downstream for approximately 1,000 feet. The Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory was contacted for additional information regarding EO ID 5783 as well as other potential rare, threatened, and endangered species occurrences documented in the vicinity of the Study Area.

Based on the Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory Report (see attached), EO ID 5783 is associated with a State Ranked S2 Rare species of freshwater mussel, the eastern pearlshell (*Margaritifera*

margaritifera). This species was documented in the West River in the vicinity of Bridge 32, in 1996, 2004, and again in 2011. This species has the potential to occur within the Study Area. No mussels were observed during the field review. However, a formal mussel survey would be required to confirm presence/absence of this species.

The Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory also identified additional uncommon, rare, threatened, and endangered species that have been documented in the surrounding area and have the potential to occur within the Study Area. These species are summarized in **Table 2** below.

Table 2. State-Listed Species

Common Name	Scientific Name	Type	EO ID	State Rank	State Protection Status	Federal Protection Status	Observed During 2019 Field Review
Eastern Pearlshell	<i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i>	Freshwater Mussel	5783	S2	T	N/A	No
Tubercled Orchid	<i>Platanthera flava</i> var. <i>herbiola</i>	Vascular Plant	556	S2	T	N/A	No
Canada Burnet	<i>Sanguisorba canadensis</i>	Vascular Plant	2065	S2	N/A	N/A	Yes
Brook Floater	<i>Alasmidonta varicosa</i>	Freshwater Mussel	191	S1	T	N/A	No
Boulder-Beach Tiger Beetle	<i>Cicindela ancocisconensis</i>	Beetle	3909	S1	N/A	N/A	No
Creeper	<i>Strophitus undulatus</i>	Freshwater Mussel	N/A	S3	N/A	N/A	No

Source: Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory.

S1=Very Rare; S2=Rare; S3=Uncommon

T=Threatened; E=Endangered

The West River provides potential suitable habitat for the eastern pearlshell, brook floater, and creeper mussels. As aforementioned, Canada burnet was documented in the northwest bridge quadrant, and suitable habitat exists throughout the Study Area. The River Cobble Shore also provides potential habitat for the tubercled orchid and boulder-beach tiger beetle in the Study Area. Of the species identified by the Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory, Canada burnet was the only one identified during the September 2019 field review.

FEDERALLY-LISTED SPECIES

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service’s (USFWS) Information, Planning, and Conservation System (IPaC) web tool was accessed on October 25, 2019 and an Official Species List (see attached) was generated in order to determine if any Federally-listed species have the potential to occur within the vicinity of the Study Area. According to the Official Species List, the Federally-threatened and state-endangered northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) (NLEB) could potentially occur in the Study Area. **Table 3** below summarizes the species identified on the USFWS Official Species List. No critical habitat has been designated for NLEB.

Table 3. Federally-Listed Species

Common Name	Scientific Name	Type	State Protection Status	Federal Protection Status	Suitable Habitat in Study Area
Northern Long-Eared Bat	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Mammal	E	T	YES

Source: USFWS IPaC.

T=Threatened; E=Endangered

According to the USFWS, suitable summer habitat for NLEB bat consists of a variety of forested habitats. The NLEB generally prefers closed canopy forest with an open understory. Potential roost trees include live trees or snags, at least 3” in diameter, with exfoliating bark, cracks, crevices, or cavities.

Suitable summer habitat for NLEB exists within the forested portions of the Study Area. As discussed above, the existing bridge stone abutments could also provide potential roosting habitat. However, the bridge abutments were visually inspected during the field review and no guano staining or droppings were observed.

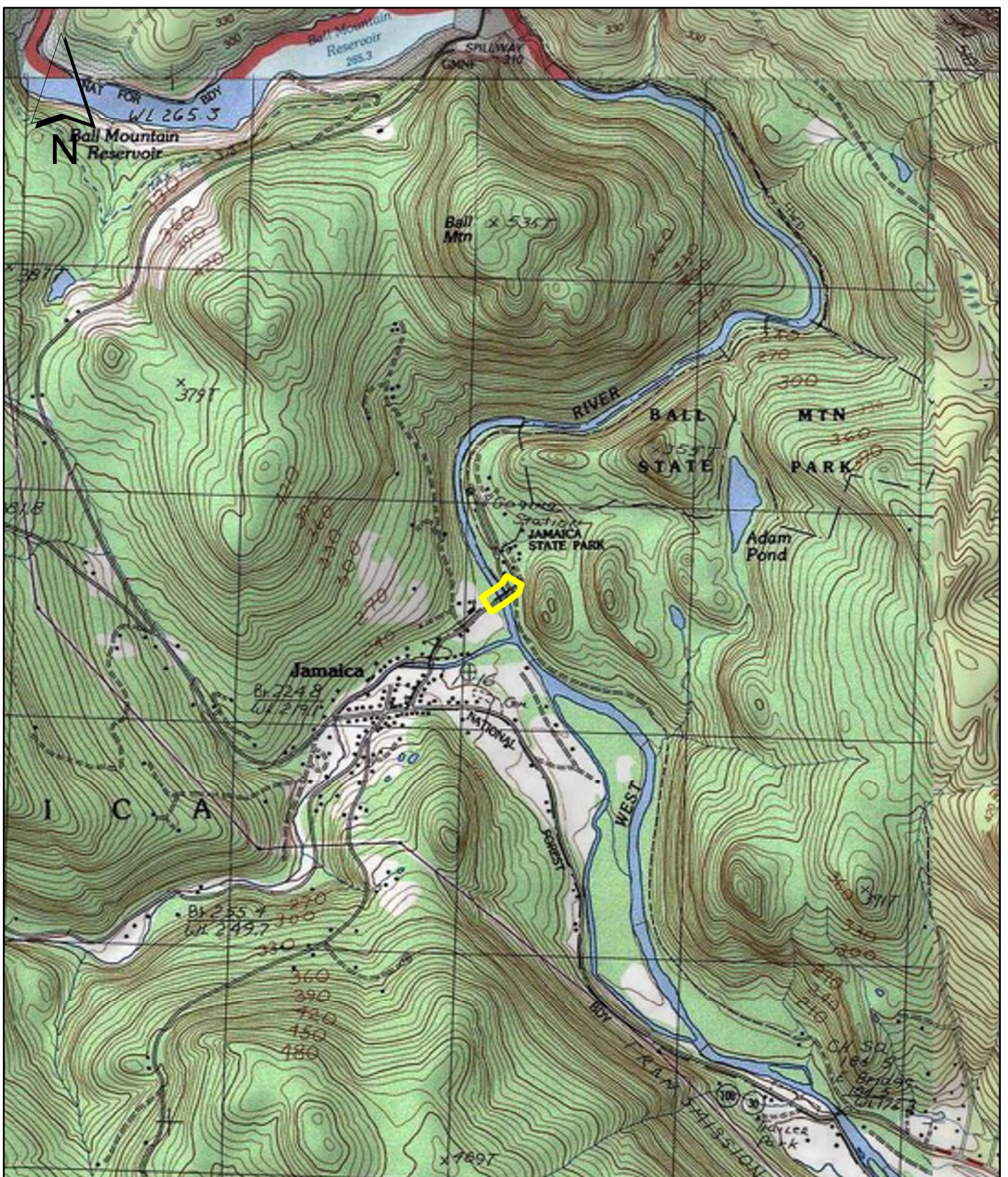
SOILS


NRCS mapped soil units in the Study Area consist of: Monadnock fine sandy loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, very stony; Colton loamy fine sand, 2 to 8 percent slopes; Worden loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very bouldery; Houghtonville-Rawsonville fine sandy loams, 25 to 50 percent slopes, very boulder; Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes; Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony; and Water.

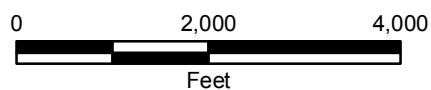
Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes and Colton loamy fine sand, 2 to 8 percent slopes are identified as Farmland of Statewide Importance in Vermont. These soil units are mapped on the west side of the West River in the southwest bridge quadrant and along the western edge of the Study Area.

INVASIVE SPECIES

Overall the site was dominated by a mix of native vegetation and was relatively free from invasive species. However, there were several individual purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) plants interspersed throughout Wetlands 2 and 4 adjacent to the West River. There was a single Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*) bush located in the northwest bridge quadrant in the forested upland area near Wetland 2. In addition, there was a clump of Japanese knotweed (*Fallopia japonica*) located just south of the Study Area in the southwest bridge quadrant. The approximate locations and extents of invasive species populations are shown on **Figure 2**.



 Study Area



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JAMAICA BO 1442 (42): DEPOT STREET (TH-19) – BRIDGE 32

LOCATION MAP

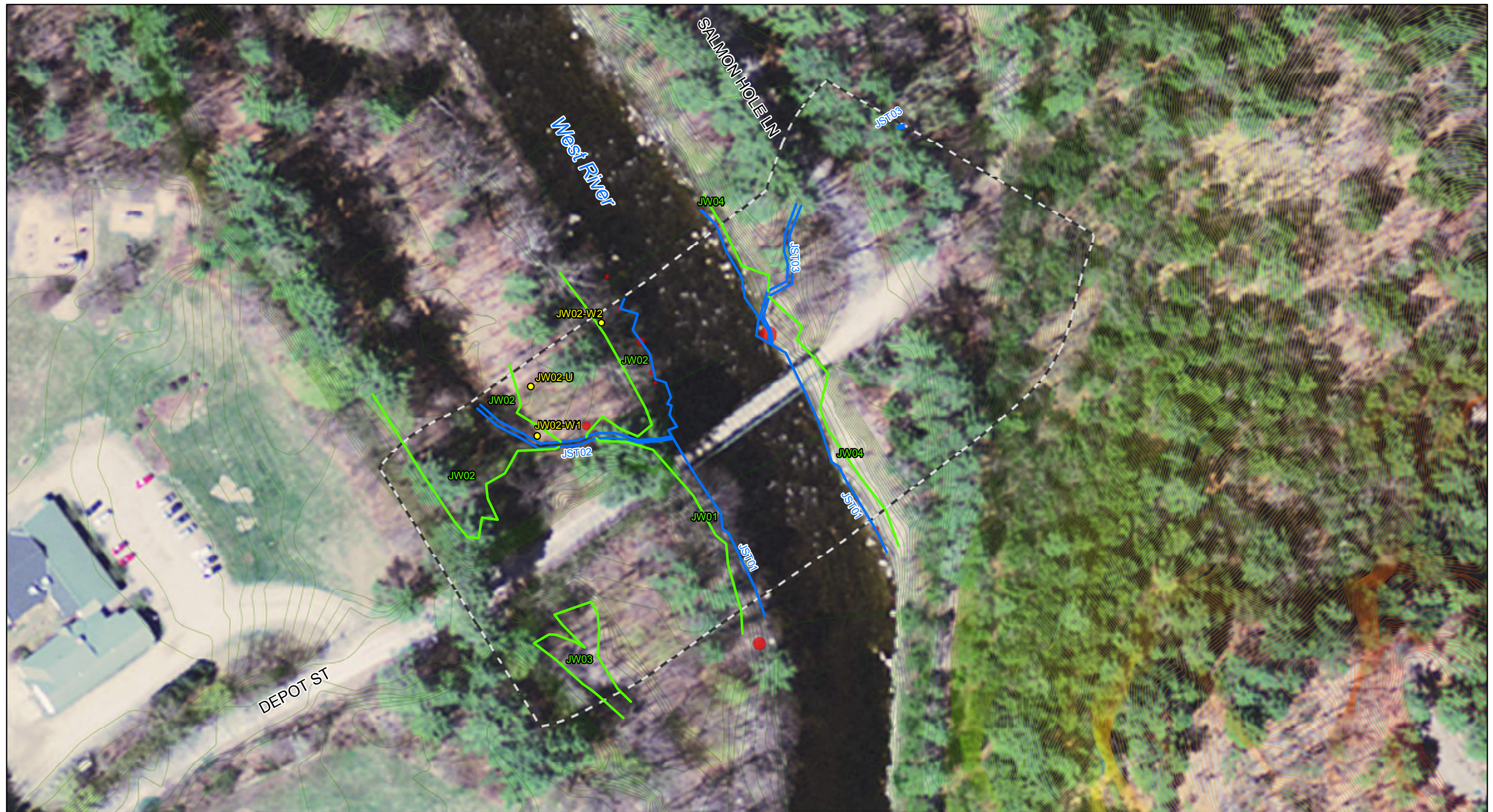
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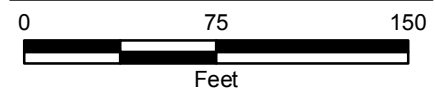
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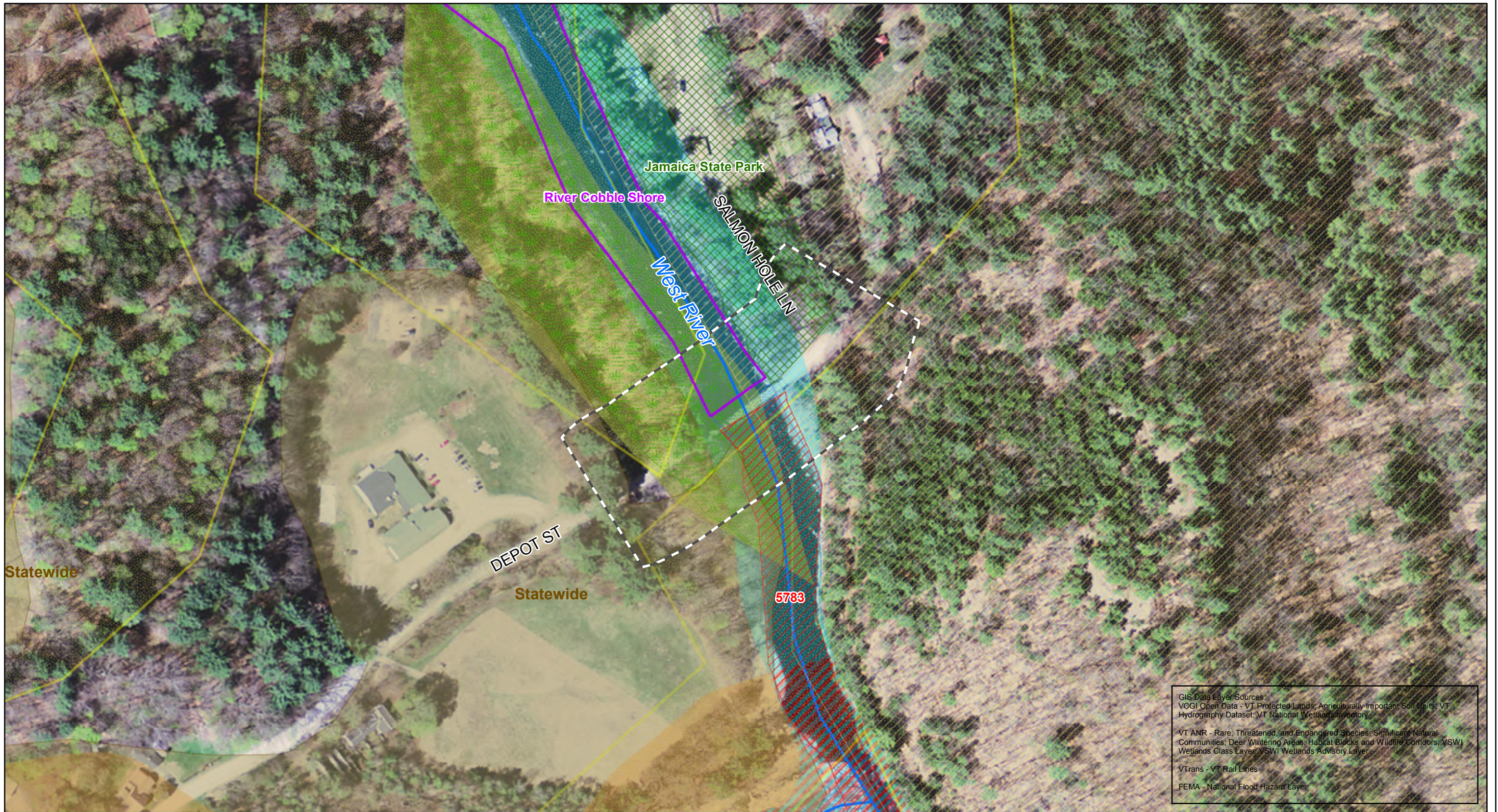
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TOWN: JAMAICA, VT
STRUCTURE ID: BRIDGE 32



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GIS Data Layer Sources:
VCGI Open Data - VT Protected Lands; Agriculturally Important Soil Units; VT Hydrography Dataset; VT National Wetlands Inventory

VT ANR - Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species; Significant Natural Communities; Deer Wintering Areas; Habitat Blocks and Wildlife Corridors; VSWI Wetlands Class Layer; VSWI Wetlands Advisory Layer

VTrans - VT Rail Lines

FEMA - National Flood Hazard Layer

- Study Area

Railroads
- VT Hydrography Dataset (Lines)

VT Hydrography Dataset (Polygons)

National Wetland Inventory

Palustrine Emergent

Palustrine Scrub-Shrub

Palustrine Forested

Riverine

Lacustrine

Other
- VSWI Wetlands Class Layer**

Class 1

Class 2

Buffer

VSWI Wetlands Advisory Layer

- Flood Hazard Zones**

1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard

Regulatory Floodway

0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
- Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species

Significant Natural Communities

Deer Wintering Areas

Habitat Blocks and Wildlife Corridors

VT Protected Lands Database

- Agriculturally Important Soil Units**

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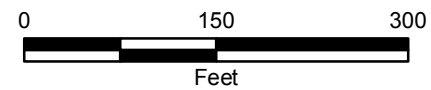
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Statewide

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TOWN: JAMAICA, VT
STRUCTURE ID: BRIDGE 32



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**EXISTING NATURAL
RESOURCE MAPPING**

SCALE :
1 inch = 150 feet

DATE :
OCTOBER 2019

FIGURE :
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Photo 1: JST01 – West River Upstream from Bridge 32



Photo 2: JST01 – West River from Bridge 32 Facing Downstream



Photo 3: JST01 – West River Channel Underneath Bridge 32



Photo 4: JST02 Unnamed Intermittent Stream Facing Upstream



Photo 5: JST03 Unnamed Intermittent Stream Facing Downstream



Photo 6: JST03 Unnamed Intermittent Stream Stone Box Culvert Outlet



Photo 7: JW01 PEM Fringe along West River



Photo 8: JW02 PFO Wetland



Photo 9: JW02 PEM Wetland Along Western Bank of the West River



Photo 10: JW03 PFO Wetland



Photo 11: JW04 PEM Wetland Along Eastern Bank of the West River

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: South Structures - Bridge 32 City/County: Jamaica / Windham Sampling Date: 09/19/2019
 Applicant/Owner: Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) State: VT Sampling Point: JW02-W1
 Investigator(s): SH, AR Section, Township, Range: _____
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain / Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope %: 1-2
 Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R Lat: 43.1044411° Long: -72.7736589° Datum: NAD83
 Soil Map Unit Name: Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony NWI classification: PFO1E
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No _____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No _____
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No _____ If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: <u>Wetland 2 (PFO)</u>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)	

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators: <u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)</u> _____ Surface Water (A1) _____ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) _____ High Water Table (A2) _____ Aquatic Fauna (B13) _____ Saturation (A3) _____ Marl Deposits (B15) _____ Water Marks (B1) _____ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) _____ Sediment Deposits (B2) _____ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) _____ Drift Deposits (B3) _____ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) _____ Algal Mat or Crust (B4) _____ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) _____ Iron Deposits (B5) _____ Thin Muck Surface (C7) _____ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) _____ Other (Explain in Remarks) _____ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</u> _____ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) _____ Drainage Patterns (B10) _____ Moss Trim Lines (B16) _____ Dry-Season Water Table (C2) _____ Crayfish Burrows (C8) _____ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) _____ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <u>X</u> Geomorphic Position (D2) <u>X</u> Shallow Aquitard (D3) _____ Microtopographic Relief (D4) <u>X</u> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations: Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> Depth (inches): _____ Saturation Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> Depth (inches): _____ (includes capillary fringe)		Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:		
Remarks:		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

 Sampling Point: JW02-W1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status																	
1. <u>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>6</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>6</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Total % Cover of:</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Multiply by:</th> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>95</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>190</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>60</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>180</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>12</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>5</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>25</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>163</u> (A)</td> <td><u>407</u> (B)</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.50</u></td> </tr> </table>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>	FACW species <u>95</u>	x 2 = <u>190</u>	FAC species <u>60</u>	x 3 = <u>180</u>	FACU species <u>3</u>	x 4 = <u>12</u>	UPL species <u>5</u>	x 5 = <u>25</u>	Column Totals: <u>163</u> (A)	<u>407</u> (B)	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.50</u>	
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2. <u>Acer rubrum</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
3. <u>Betula alleghaniensis</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
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6. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
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<u>60</u> =Total Cover																				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <u> </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>X</u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ <u> </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u> </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. Definitions of Vegetation Strata: Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>																
1. <u>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
2. <u>Acer rubrum</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
3. <u>Sorbaria sorbifolia</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>UPL</u>																	
4. <u>Acer saccharum</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
<u>33</u> =Total Cover																				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u>)																				
1. <u>Onoclea sensibilis</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
2. <u>Solidago rugosa</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
3. <u>Thalictrum pubescens</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
4. <u>Cinna arundinacea</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
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9. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
12. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
<u>70</u> =Total Cover																				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30</u>)																				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
_____ =Total Cover																				

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL

Sampling Point JW02-W1

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: South Structures - Bridge 32 City/County: Jamaica / Windham Sampling Date: 09/19/2019
 Applicant/Owner: Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) State: VT Sampling Point: JW02-W2
 Investigator(s): SH, AR Section, Township, Range: _____

Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope %: 1-2

Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R Lat: 43.1046892° Long: -72.7734678° Datum: NAD83

Soil Map Unit Name: Houghtonville fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony NWI classification: PEM1E

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No _____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No _____

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No _____ If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: <u>Wetland 2 (PEM)</u>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)	

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators: <u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)</u> _____ Surface Water (A1) _____ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) _____ High Water Table (A2) _____ Aquatic Fauna (B13) _____ Saturation (A3) _____ Marl Deposits (B15) _____ Water Marks (B1) _____ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) _____ Sediment Deposits (B2) _____ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) _____ Drift Deposits (B3) _____ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) _____ Algal Mat or Crust (B4) _____ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) _____ Iron Deposits (B5) _____ Thin Muck Surface (C7) _____ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) _____ Other (Explain in Remarks) _____ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</u> _____ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) _____ Drainage Patterns (B10) _____ Moss Trim Lines (B16) _____ Dry-Season Water Table (C2) _____ Crayfish Burrows (C8) _____ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) _____ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <u>X</u> Geomorphic Position (D2) _____ Shallow Aquitard (D3) _____ Microtopographic Relief (D4) <u>X</u> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations: Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No _____ Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes _____ No _____ Depth (inches): _____ Saturation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____ Depth (inches): <u>0</u> (includes capillary fringe)		Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No _____
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:		
Remarks:		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

 Sampling Point: JW02-W2

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____	=Total Cover		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15</u>)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____	=Total Cover		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u>)				
1. <u>Carex torta</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>OBL</u>	
2. <u>Eutrochium maculatum</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>OBL</u>	
3. <u>Calamagrostis canadensis</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>OBL</u>	
4. <u>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
5. <u>Onoclea sensibilis</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
6. <u>Doellingeria umbellata</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
7. <u>Osmundastrum cinnamomeum</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
8. <u>Persicaria virginiana</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
9. <u>Solidago rugosa</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
12. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>121</u>	=Total Cover		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30</u>)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____	=Total Cover		

Dominance Test worksheet:
 Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)
 Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)
 Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species <u>105</u>	x 1 = <u>105</u>
FACW species <u>13</u>	x 2 = <u>26</u>
FAC species <u>3</u>	x 3 = <u>9</u>
FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>
Column Totals: <u>121</u> (A)	<u>140</u> (B)
Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.16</u>	

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)
¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

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Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL

Sampling Point JW02-W2

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: South Structures - Bridge 32 City/County: Jamaica / Windham Sampling Date: 09/19/2019
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 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: _____
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u>	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)	

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators: <u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)</u> _____ Surface Water (A1) _____ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) _____ High Water Table (A2) _____ Aquatic Fauna (B13) _____ Saturation (A3) _____ Marl Deposits (B15) _____ Water Marks (B1) _____ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) _____ Sediment Deposits (B2) _____ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) _____ Drift Deposits (B3) _____ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) _____ Algal Mat or Crust (B4) _____ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) _____ Iron Deposits (B5) _____ Thin Muck Surface (C7) _____ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) _____ Other (Explain in Remarks) _____ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</u> _____ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) _____ Drainage Patterns (B10) _____ Moss Trim Lines (B16) _____ Dry-Season Water Table (C2) _____ Crayfish Burrows (C8) _____ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) _____ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) _____ Geomorphic Position (D2) _____ Shallow Aquitard (D3) _____ Microtopographic Relief (D4) _____ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
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Remarks:		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

 Sampling Point: JW02-U

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status																	
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2. <u><i>Betula alleghaniensis</i></u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
3. <u><i>Quercus rubra</i></u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>																	
4. <u><i>Pinus strobus</i></u>	<u>15</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																	
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6. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
		<u>85</u>	=Total Cover																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15</u>)																				
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4. <u><i>Tsuga canadensis</i></u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																	
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6. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
		<u>38</u>	=Total Cover																	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u>)																				
1. <u><i>Cinna arundinacea</i></u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <u>1</u> - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>2</u> - Dominance Test is >50% <u>3</u> - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ <u>4</u> - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u> </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.																
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3. <u><i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i></u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
4. <u><i>Eurybia divaricata</i></u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>UPL</u>																	
5. <u><i>Maianthemum canadense</i></u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																	
6. <u><i>Toxicodendron radicans</i></u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>																	
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Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u> </u> No <u> X </u>																				

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL

Sampling Point JW02-U

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In Reply Refer To:

October 25, 2019

Consultation Code: 05E1NE00-2020-SLI-0252

Event Code: 05E1NE00-2020-E-00735

Project Name: JAMAICA BO 1442 (42): DEPOT STREET (TH-19) – BRIDGE 32

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>; <http://www.towerkill.com>; and <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
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Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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Project Summary

Consultation Code: 05E1NE00-2020-SLI-0252

Event Code: 05E1NE00-2020-E-00735

Project Name: JAMAICA BO 1442 (42): DEPOT STREET (TH-19) – BRIDGE 32

Project Type: TRANSPORTATION

Project Description: The proposed project involves repairs, rehabilitation, and/or reconstruction of Bridge 32, located in the Town of Jamaica, Windham County, Vermont. Bridge 32 carries Depot Street (TH-19) over the West River. The purpose of this review is to identify Federally-listed species that have the potential to occur in the vicinity of the proposed project area. The exact size, scope, and timing of this project have not been determined at this phase.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/43.104513670719015N72.77304520076783W>



Counties: Windham, VT

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 1 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045	Threatened

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

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River Cobble Shore

EO ID 2507
Global Rank GNR
State Rank S2
ID Confirmed? Y

WEST RIVER-JAMAICA STATE PARK

County	Town
Windham	Jamaica

Topo Quad	4307217	Latitude (DD)	43.1154	Longitude (DD)	-72.7609
	4307227				

Directions

Along West River above bridge from village to state campground, up to Ball Mountain dam. Driest example occurs on west side of river at second major (90 + degrees) bend in river above campground.

General Description

1995: Along high-gradient stretch of West River with boulder and cobble bed. Natural community is lushly vegetated, river cobble shore , which appears as a constricted rivershore meadow, sometimes sparsely vegetated. The river is sandwiched between mountains and has very stable channel which becomes major whitewater river during spring and fall dam releases. Site is downstream from Ball Mountain dam. Area subjected to flooding and ice-scour.

Minimum Elevation (ft)	680	Maximum Elevation (ft)	750
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Last Survey	1995-10-10	Last Observation Date	1995-10-10	First Observation Date	1995
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EO Data

1995: While the high, dry and sparsely-vegetated cobble bars occur in only a couple restricted locations, this approximately 2 mile stretch of river might be considered "river cobble shore community". It is all part of a high-energy rivershore system dominated by cobble and boulder substrate. Typically, a lush shrub (predominately *Salix sericea* and *S. eriocephala*) and tall herb/graminoid zone 5-10m wide, occurs on the outermost and highest sides of the river channel, while a largely shrub-less and more sparsely vegetated zone, ±5m wide, occurs closest and lowest to the river itself (at low water). The lowest portion of the highly-vegetated zone is dominated the tussock forming *Carex torta*. The sparsely-vegetated low cobble shores are widest on more or less defined point-bar deposits, and much narrow to non-existent along straights. They are less than 3dm above low water. The highly-vegetated zone can go from low water's edge up to 2m above low water, or to the edge of the entire flood channel. Soil in this community goes from pebble-cobble-boulder substrate in the exposed cobble shore; to pebble-cobble-boulder with sand, silt and organics packed between in the mid-zone; to sandy alluvium over cobble in the highest zone. Rare and uncommon plants associated with this rivershore environment include *Platanthera flava*, *Sanguisorba canadensis*, *Vaccinium cespitosum*, and *Alnus viridis*. The one dry cobble bar I visited was about 100m long x 10m wide (maximum). At approximately 1m above low water, it has a substrate of dry, cobble-small boulder stone with pockets of coarse sand and gravel. Vegetation cover is 30-50%, composed of low shrubs (primarily *Prunus pumila* var. *depressa* and *Salix sericea*) with herbs and grasses, primarily *Apocynum*, *Potentilla simplex*, a trailing blackberry (*Rubus* sp.), and *Andropogon gerardii*. The *Prunus pumila* var. *depressa* is an uncommon species often associated with exposed cobble shores. Other inclusions within this overall cobble shore community include: spring-run, graminoid wetland, and riverside outcrop.

EO Rank	A	EO Rank Date	2012-12-18
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Size	A	Very extensive. Note that the polygon includes open water as well so area covered is less than 37 acres as mapped - but still is over 2.5 miles of river.
Condition	B	Hydrology altered by dam just upstream, otherwise good example.
Landscape Context	A	Very good landscape context in large forest block, but a large dam occurs just upstream and a settlement downstream, and state park infrastructure is present in the south.

General Comments

2012: Mapping updated based on aerial photos and EO description.
1995: Area also botanically surveyed by Zika and Jenkins in 1988.

Management Comments

1995 Engstrom: Latest dam release left a considerable layer of silt on shore and in pools. This likely has a deleterious effect on invertebrates and fish. Summer dam releases negatively impact rare plants.

Protection Comments

J. Raymond should be contacted concerning ecological value of rivershore community and rare plants.

Reference Code**Citation**

F95ENG02VTUS

Engstrom, Brett. 1995. Field survey of Jamaica State Park on 13 July 1995.

U96ENG01VTUS

Engstrom, B.E. and Thompson, E.H. 1996. West River Watershed Inventory. Unpublished Report by the Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program prepared for the U.S. EPA.

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Element Occurrence Report**

Platanthera flava var. *herbiola*

Tuberclad Orchid

Link to NatureServe Explorer

EO ID 556

Global Rank G4?T4Q

Federal Protection Status

State Rank S2

State Protection Status T

ID Confirmed? Y

WEST RIVER-JAMAICA STATE PARK

County

Windham

Town

Jamaica

Topo Quad 4307217

Latitude (DD) 43.1115

Longitude (DD) -72.7701

Directions

2010: 1st site seems equivalent of "south shore colonies". 2nd site is approx 1 mile upstream, near junction of hiking trail and West River Trail. There is a large outcrop on north shore of river. 2005 [South shore colonies?]: From parking lot by playground go down to the river bank and walk up 1/4 ["-1.2" crossed out] mile sporadic colonies along the way. 1995: Two colonies in this West River area: one on the north side, upstream from major river bend up from state park campground, and the second on the south side, downstream from the "Dumplings" (famous whitewater stretch with huge boulders in river channel). North shore colony 40m NW of huge (7m long, 4m wide, and 3m high) block on south side of stream channel. Largest boulder on this side of channel along this straight stretch of river. Along edge of small wet depression between three boulders (2.5x1.5x1.5m high) on vegetated edge of river channel. South shore colony 50-75m SW of North shore colony, on W. side of roundish 2+m diam., 1+m high gneiss/schistose boulder with very convoluted grain on edge of river channel. 280 degrees true and 25-30m from very strongly bowed hemlock leaning over river channel.

General Description

1995 or 1996: Along high-gradient stretch of West River with boulder and cobble bed. Natural community is lushly vegetated, river cobble shore, which appears as a constricted rivershore meadow, sometimes sparsely vegetated. The river is sandwiched between mountains and has a very stable channel which becomes a major whitewater river during spring and fall dam releases. Site is roughly two miles downstream from Ball Mountain dam. Area subjected to flooding and ice-scour. Growing in full sun, in dense, tall graminoid-herb-fern rivershore meadow, ca. 5-10 m wide. Soil equals saturated sand and organics among boulders. At time of survey, when river was very low, E.O.'s ca. 8-10dm above river water level.

Minimum Elevation (ft) 690

Maximum Elevation (ft) 690

Last Survey 2010-07-13

Last Observation Date 2010-07-13

First Observation Date 1995-07-13

EO Data

2010: Found at two points along SE shoreline, 1st site [same as "south shore colonies"?] 2 flowering stems in 0.3 sq m. 2nd site (approx 1 mile upstream) 7 flowering stems in 1 sq meter. 2005 [South shore colonies only?]: Approximately 25 genets on 9 July. Plants were in flower. Sporadic healthy communities tucked away up along river, most often in thick vegetation. 2004: No plants located on north or south side of river, despite two trips to the site by two volunteers. 1995 North shore colony: 16 flowering stems and 14 vegetative plants in 10 square meter area. 1995 South shore colony: 3 flowering stalks and 6 vegetative plants in 1 sq. m.

EO Rank CD

EO Rank Date 1995-01-01

General Comments

2005: Rembisz noted that sporadic colonies up the stream are growing well in thick and open areas. 1995: Associate spp. are *Iris versicolor*, *Aster umbellatus*, *Onoclea*, *Osmunda reginae*, *Salix* spp., *Carex stricta*, *C. torta*, *Calamagrostis canadensis*, *Hydrocotyle americana*, *Apios americana*, *Eupatorium maculatum*. 2004: Cooper et al. noted a platform located below 'dumplings' built since last survey-heavy use area may have influenced population. 1910: *Platanthera flava*, collected from somewhere in Jamaica in 1910 (sourcecode S10WHEBCVTUS). J. Jenkins in The Outstanding Rivers and Streams of Vermont, part 2 (ANR 1988 report) has the species somewhere below the Jamaica bridge, presumably in the town of Jamaica....South side colony on state land.

Management Comments

Because plants are below high water mark, not likely to be disturbed by any development. Not in areas with heavy foot traffic (too bouldery). Likely influenced by releases of Ball Mtn. Dam just upstream.

Managed Area**EO Contained?**

JAMAICA STATE PARK

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Reference Code**Citation**

F95ENG02VTUS

Engstrom, Brett. 1995. Field survey of Jamaica State Park on 13 July 1995.

U96ENG01VTUS

Engstrom, B.E. and Thompson, E.H. 1996. West River Watershed Inventory. Unpublished Report by the Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program prepared for the U.S. EPA.

U05REM02VTUS

Rembisz, R. 2005. PCV rare plant form for Platanthera flava at Jamaica State Park in Jamaica Vermont, on 9 July 2005. Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program.

U04COO03VTUS

Cooper, E. and M. Whittlesey. 2004. PCV rare plant form for Platanthera flava at Jamaica State Park in Jamaica Vermont, on two unspecified days in 2004. Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program.

PNDZAI01VTUS

Zaino, R. State Lands Ecologist. Vermont Natural Heritage Information Project (formerly the Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program).

Specimens

Engstrom, F.B. () 1995.

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Element Occurrence Report**

Sanguisorba canadensis

Canada Burnet

Link to NatureServe Explorer

EO ID 2065

Global Rank G5

Federal Protection Status

State Rank S2

State Protection Status

ID Confirmed? Y

WEST RIVER-JAMAICA STATE PARK

County

Windham

Town

Jamaica

Topo Quad 4307217

Latitude (DD) 43.1115

Longitude (DD) -72.7701

Directions

Both shores of West River from Jamaica State Park campground up to at least major riverbend east southeast of Ball Mtn.

General Description

Along high-gradient stretch of West River with boulder and cobble bed. Natural community is lushly vegetated, river cobble shore which appears as a constricted rivershore meadow, sometimes sparsely vegetated. The river is sandwiched between mountains and has a very stable channel which becomes a major whitewater river during spring and fall dam releases. Site is roughly two miles downstream from Ball Mountain dam. Area subjected to flooding and ice-scour.

Minimum Elevation (ft) 680

Maximum Elevation (ft) 720

Last Survey 2010-07-13

Last Observation Date 2010-07-13

First Observation Date 1995

EO Data

2010: Found in abundance at multiple locations along shoreline in Jamaica SP. 1995: Found occasionally to commonly in the lush tall herb/graminoid zone of river shore. On the east shore of the river, north of the day-use parking lot, counted 25 vigorous plants along a 50-75m stretch.

EO Rank A

EO Rank Date 1996-01-08

General Comments

Curiously not collected from Jamaica prior to this summer. Not reported from this stretch of river in either of Jenkin's river reports (1988 & 1989)

Management Comments

1995 Engstrom: Because plants are below high water mark, not likely to be disturbed by any development. Not in areas with heavy foot traffic (too bouldery). Likely influenced by releases of Ball Mountain Dam just upstream.

Reference Code

Citation

F95ENG02VTUS

Engstrom, Brett. 1995. Field survey of Jamaica State Park on 13 July 1995.

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PNDZAI01VTUS

Zaino, R. State Lands Ecologist. Vermont Natural Heritage Information Project (formerly the Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program).

Specimens

Engstrom, F.B. () 1995.

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Element Occurrence Report**

Alasmidonta varicosa

Brook Floater

Link to NatureServe Explorer

EO ID 191

Global Rank G3

Federal Protection Status

State Rank S1

State Protection Status T, RE

ID Confirmed? Y

WEST RIVER-ROUTES 100 AND 30

WEST RIVER-ABOVE TOWNSHEND DAM

County

Windham

Town

Jamaica

Townshend

Topo Quad 4307216

Latitude (DD) 43.0724

Longitude (DD) -72.7302

4307217

Directions

WEST RIVER. ROUTES 100 AND 30: JUST S OF JCT. VT RTES. 100 AND 30 AT VT RTE. 100 OVERPASS IN EAST JAMAICA, 4.5 KM SE OF JAMAICA. In 2011, 15 stretches, totalling 1495 feet, between Ball Mountain Dam and Townshend Dam were surveyed. The species was found at the following sites: Site 8: 100-meter stretch, approximately 1 river mile downstream of Depot Street bridge (Jamaica State Park Bridge, where Ball Mountain Brook enters West River) and 2 miles upstream of Routes 100 and 30 Bridge. Site 10: 150-meter stretch just below Route 30 bridge at Gilfeather Lane. Site 11: 150-meter stretch about 1/3 mile above Route 100 and 30 Bridge, ending roughly even with the intersection of River Road and Halls Farm Lane to the south.

General Description

Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: Medium sized river with cobble, gravel, sand substrate. 2004, Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: Most of the area surveyed was consolidated coarse sand/gravel/cobble/boulder. This species was found along the slope of the river where the current was slow.

Minimum Elevation (ft) 550

Maximum Elevation (ft)

Last Survey 2011

Last Observation Date 2011

First Observation Date 1979

EO Data

2011: Site 8 (about 1 mile below Jamaica State Park/Depot Street bridge): Two found in 100-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 10 (Below Route 30 bridge at Gilfeather Lane): Three found in 150-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 11: Three found in 150-meter stretch just above Route 100 and 30 Bridge on 26 May. 2004: Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: Six brook floaters were found in 4.5 person-hour search of 250-300 feet of river. Five of the six were found in the lower end of the survey area, ~200 feet below the bridge. One of the mussels was in the bridge replacement project area and was moved to ~150 feet upstream of the bridge site. 1994: Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: 10 live mussels observed in an area of approx. 3000 ft in 34 observer-minutes. 1993: Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: No brook floaters observed. 1992: Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: 17 live mussels in an off-channel section of run. 1979: Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: ONE SPECIMEN COLLECTED.

EO Rank C

EO Rank Date 1995-02-22

General Comments

2004, Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: The bridge is planned to be replaced. Mussels found in the 25 feet around the direct area of impact were relocated to similar habitat approximately 150 feet upstream of the bridge site. The bridge replacement project does not seem to pose a direct threat to mussels located downstream. Most of the brook floaters found in the downstream site were on the south side of the river, the opposite side from the bank disturbance. 1993, Routes 100 and 30 Bridge: Two accidental water releases from Ball Mountain Dam in spring 1993 dumped large quantities of silt between the two dams. Silt covered this entire bed; silt 3 in. deep in places. Seven *Margaritifera* also observed.

Management Comments

Preventative measures by the Army Corps of Engineers are needed to avoid future degradation of habitats of mussels and other aquatic species between Ball Mountain and Townshend Dams.

Reference Code	Citation
U92FIC02VTUS	Fichtel, Christopher. 1992. Status of the Brook Floater in Vermont; 1992 Performance Report. Prepared for the USFWS Reg. 5 Office.
U94FIC04VTUS	Fichtel, Christopher. 1994. Status of the Brook Floater in Vermont; 1994 Performance Report. Prepared for the USFWS Reg. 5 Office.
U93FIC01VTUS	Fichtel, Christopher. 1993. Status of the Brook Floater in Vermont; 1993 Performance Report. Prepared for the USFWS Reg. 5 Office.
A82SMI01VTUS	SMITH, D.G. 1982. THE ZOOGEOGRAPHY OF THE FRESHWATER MUSSELS OF THE TACONIC AND SOUTHERN GREEN MOUNTAIN REGION OF NORTH- EASTERN NORTH AMERICA. (MOLLUSCA:PELECYPODA:UNIONACEA). CANADIAN JOURNAL OF ZOOLOGY. 60(2):261-267.
U04OBR01VTUS	O'Brien, C. 2004. Survey and relocation of the Brook Floater and Eastern Pearlshell at the Vt. Rte 100 bridge replacement project in E. Jamaica, Vermont. A report for McFarland-Johnson, Inc.
F94FIC13VTUS	Fichtel, C. 1994. Field survey of <i>Alasmidonta varicosa</i> in the West River of 06 June 1994.
U14BIO01VTUS	Biodrawversity LLC. 2014. Brook Floater (<i>Alasmidonta varicosa</i>) in the West River in Vermont. A report prepared for Vermont Fish and Wildlife, Wildlife Diversity Program, Montpelier, Vermont. December 2014. 21pp.

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Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department
Element Occurrence Report**

Cicindela ancocisconensis

Boulder-beach Tiger Beetle

[Link to NatureServe Explorer](#)

EO ID 3909

Global Rank G3

Federal Protection Status

State Rank S1

State Protection Status

WEST RIVER-SALMON HOLE

County

Windham

Town

Jamaica

Topo Quad 4307217

Latitude (DD) 43.1084

Longitude (DD) -72.7751

Directions

FROM RTE 30 (IN JAMAICA) FOLLOW RD TO JAMAICA STATE PARK ENTRANCE. CONT. TO SALMON HOLE PARKING LOT. SITE IS ADJACENT TO WEST RIVER IMMEDIATELY BELOW THE PARKING LOT.

General Description

1996: The Salmon Hole area has short, narrow sand beach patches that lead to the cobble substrate of the riverbed. The fine substrate in this area is probably supplied by the steep soil slope located farther up the bank, which is naturally eroding over time. 1986: FLOOD STAGE ALLUVIAL BEACH, DOTTED W/NUMEROUS BOULDERS.

Minimum Elevation (ft) 700

Maximum Elevation (ft)

Last Survey 1996-09-24

Last Observation Date 1986-06-04

First Observation Date 1970

EO Data

1996: Surveys were conducted at the site on 28 July and 24 September. None were observed. 1986: 2 MALES AND 1 FEMALE OBSERVED. DIFFICULT TO SPOT. TEND TO BE FOUND HUNTING IN SMALL OPEN SAND PATCHES AMONGST VEGETATION ALONG UPPER MARGIN OF BEACH. SLOW FLYING AND DISTINCTLY CHOCOLATE COLORED.

EO Rank D

EO Rank Date 1995-02-22

General Comments

NATURALLY OCCURRING SAND BEACHES ARE UNCOMMON, OPTIMUM CONDITIONS ARE IMPORTANT FOR LOCATING DURING JUNE & JULY.

Management Comments

1996: The small size of the sand beach at Salmon Hole makes it particularly vulnerable to disturbance by foot traffic, flooding, and sediment releases, as occurred in 1993. Mechanisms to prevent future sediment releases should be employed by the Army Corps of Engineers. Park trails should not lead to the beach area, as the beach use may interrupt breeding and destroy larvae of the boulder-beach tiger beetle.

Managed Area

JAMAICA STATE PARK

EO Contained?

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Reference Code

Citation

F86NOT02VTUS

Field Survey (temporary placeholder citation)

U96FER02VTUS

Ferguson, Mark. 1996. Field Inventory of West River in 1996. Nongame and Natural Heritage Program.

U96ENG01VTUS

Engstrom, B.E. and Thompson, E.H. 1996. West River Watershed Inventory. Unpublished Report by the Vermont Nongame and Natural Heritage Program prepared for the U.S. EPA.

F86NOT01VTUS

NOTHNAGLE, P. AND M. DESMEUSLES. 1986. FIELD SURVEY TO SALMON HOLE OF JUNE 4.

**Vermont Natural Heritage Inventory
Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department
Element Occurrence Report**

Margaritifera margaritifera

Eastern Pearlshell

Link to NatureServe Explorer

EO ID 5783

Global Rank G4

Federal Protection Status

State Rank S2

State Protection Status T

ID Confirmed? Y

WEST RIVER-ROUTES 100 AND 30
WEST RIVER-JAMAICA STATE PARK
WEST RIVER-ABOVE TOWNSHEND DAM

County

Town

Windham

Jamaica

Topo Quad 4307216
4307217

Latitude (DD) 43.0919

Longitude (DD) -72.7658

Directions

WEST RIVER. ROUTES 100 AND 30: 4.5 KM SE JAMAICA; VT 100 OVERPASS, JUST S OF JCT VTS. 100 AND 30. ABOVE AND BELOW BRIDGE. 2004: Surveyed from 50 feet above bridge replacement project area to 200 feet below. JAMAICA STATE PARK BRIDGE: At least 300 feet downstream of bridge has been surveyed. In 2011, 15 stretches, totalling 1495 feet, between Ball Mountain Dam and Townshend Dam were surveyed. The species was found at the following sites: Site 1: 70-meter stretch downstream of big bend around Ball Mountain, at north end of Jamaica State Park. Site 2: 50-meter stretch south of Ball Mountain, northwest border of Jamaica State Park, below particularly rocky stretch. Site 4: 100-meter stretch at north end of Salmon Hold Lane. Site 5: 125-meter stretch below Jamaica State Park Bridge (Depot Street). Site 6: 100-meter stretch of main (east) channel, starting 1/4 mile below Ball Mountain Brook. Site 8: 100-meter stretch starting 6/10 mile below end of Site 6. Site 9: 100-meter stretch about 1/3 mile above Route 30 bridge at Gilfeather Lane. Site 10: 150-meter stretch just below Route 30 bridge at Gilfeather Lane. Site 11: 150-meter stretch about 1/3 mile above Route 100 and 30 Bridge, ending roughly even with the intersection of River Road and Halls Farm Lane to the south.

General Description

Routes 100 and 30: Weak current reach of stream slightly away from the main current; firm to loose sand, gravel, and cobble substrate. 2004: Most of the area surveyed was consolidated coarse sand/gravel/cobble/boulder. This species was found along the slope and middle of the river. 1996: Most were found in a calm, shallow pool below a set of riffles, in patches of clean sand (no silt) surrounded by cobbles and boulders. A few in other areas of river, sometimes wedged between large stones; but almost always in clean substrate, with stones embedded in sand and gravel. Most of the substrate in areas with slow to moderate current were covered with algae and at least a thin layer of silt. Areas with clean, unsilted bottoms were uncommon. Jamaica State Park: The stream below the bridge is characterized by swift riffles and runs, and slower glides. Shallow water (<0.5m) is most common near the shores. The streambed is dominated by large cobble and boulder.

Minimum Elevation (ft) 550

Maximum Elevation (ft)

Last Survey 2011

Last Observation Date 2011

First Observation Date 1979

EO Data

2011: Site 1: Five found in 70-meter stretch on 26 May. Site 2: 13 found in 50-meter stretch on 26 May. Site 4: Two found in 100-meter stretch on 26 May. Jamaica State Park Bridge (Site 5): 8 found in 125-meter stretch on 26 May. Site 6: One found in 100-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 8: Found 9 in 100-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 9: Found 2 in 100-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 10 (Below Route 30 bridge at Gilfeather Lane): Found 15 in 150-meter stretch on 19 July. Site 11: Found 2 in 150-meter stretch on 26 May. 2004: Routes 100 and 30: Sixteen were found in 4.5 person-hour search of 250-300 feet of river. Thirteen of the 16 were found in the lower end of the survey area and were not relocated; 3 were in the bridge replacement project area and were moved to ~150 feet upstream of the bridge site. 1996: Routes 100 and 30: 27 individuals were found in a 3 man-hour search. Almost all were upstream of bridge, with a few elsewhere. Jamaica State Park: One shell was found. No live mussels were located 0.75 hour search of 300 meters of river. 1993: Routes 100 and 30: 7 live *Margaritifera* (river bottom completely covered by silt; in places silt is 2-3" deep). 1992: Routes 100 and 30: 1 live. 1979: Routes 100 and 30: ONE SPECIMEN COLLECTED.

EO Rank E

EO Rank Date 2011-07-19

General Comments

2004: Routes 100 and 30: The bridge is planned to be replaced. Mussels found in the 25 feet around the direct area of impact were relocated

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to similar habitat approximately 150 feet upstream of the bridge site. The bridge replacement project does not seem to pose a direct threat to mussels located downstream. 1993: Routes 100 and 30: There were two accidental and massive silt releases from Ball Mt. Dam upstream from this site.

Management Comments

Efforts to prevent habitat degradation (e.g. siltation) would benefit this species. 1996: Routes 100 and 30: This area was inundated by several inches of silt after two accidental sediment discharges from Ball Mountain Dam in 1993. This silt has apparently been swept from the area since then, as no thick silt layer was observed during the 1996 inventory.

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Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department

Strophitus undulatus

Creeper

[Link to Species Report in NatureServe Explorer](#)

Global Rank	G5	Federal Protection Status
State Rank	S3	State Protection Status
Track EOs?	W	
County		Town
WINDHAM		JAMAICA

Source Feature Descriptor West River-Jamaica 2014 report, Site 8

Observations (this source feature only)		
Observer	Date	Observation Data
Jeffrey Cole and assistant	2011-07-19	Two found in 100-meter stretch during semi-quantitative survey.

APPENDIX H

Archaeology Memo

Brennan Gauthier

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To: Lee Goldstein, VTrans Environmental Specialist
From: Brennan Gauthier, VTrans Senior Archaeologist
Date: 9/3/2019
Subject: Jamaica BO 1442(42) Archaeological Resource Identification

Julie Ann,

I have completed my background research and field investigation of the currently unscoped bridge rehabilitation/replacement project located on Town Highway 19 (TH19) in the town of Jamaica, Windham County, Vermont. Bridge 32 is a 165' long steel Pratt truss that carries TH19 over the West River in order to allow access to several homes and Jamaica State Park. Built in 1926 by the Berlin Construction Company, this bridge is a classic example of 1920s bridge engineering with a unique use of riveted truss members vs. rolled I-beams.

The West River in this particular area is a well-known Native American travel corridor and fishing area and all four quadrants that reside outside of the bridge footprint area considered archaeologically sensitive and will require Phase I testing if any project-related construction activities are planned to occur. Please see **Figure 4** for a map showing sensitive areas. Of note, VT-WD-0002, a large multi-component Native American archaeological site is located slightly north of the bridge location. This area is also posited to be the likely location of a massacre during the 1748 King George's War.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns that may arise as part of this process. The archaeological sensitivity lines have been added to the archaeology geodatabase for inclusion in future plan sets.

Sincerely,



Brennan

Images and Illustrations



Figure 1: Bridge 32 Location.



Figure 2: Bridge 32 Location ca. 2016.



Figure 3: Bridge Location ca. 1870.

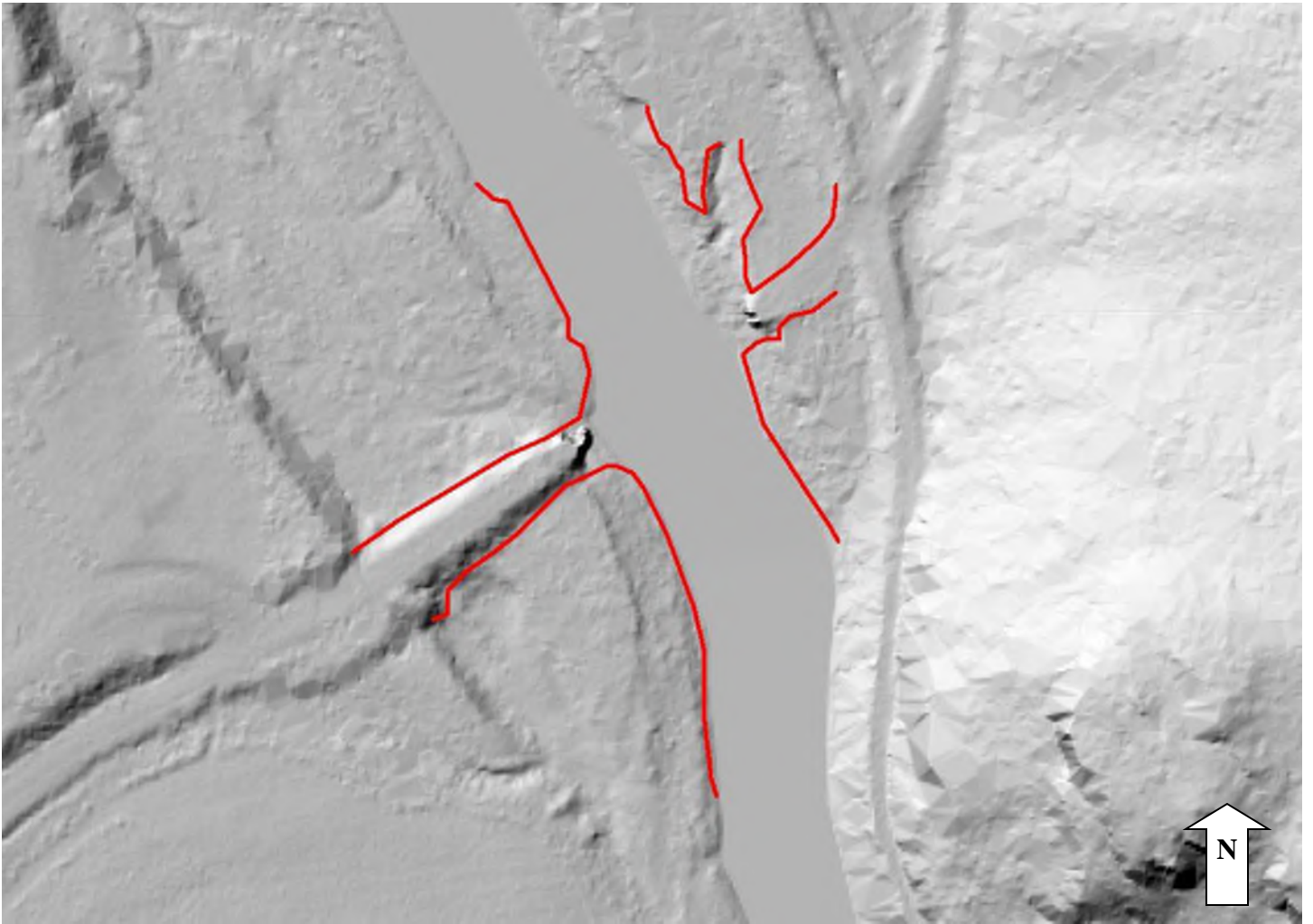


Figure 4: Archaeological Sensitivity w/ LiDAR Overlay.



Figure 5: Bridge Approach View East.



Figure 6: Bridge View West.

APPENDIX I

Historic Memo



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Historic Preservation Resource Identification Memo

To: Lee Goldstein, VTTrans Environmental Specialist
Cc: Brennan Gauthier, VTTrans Archaeologist

Date: 10/1/2019

Subject: Jamaica BO 1442(42)

Lee,

This Resource Identification effort is being undertaken to identify cultural resources within a broad preliminary survey area that could possibly be impacted by a future project at Bridge No. 32, which carries Depot Street (TH 19) over the West River in Jamaica, Windham County, Vermont (*Figures 1-2*). Once a project has been defined at the conceptual design phase, VTTrans Cultural Resources staff will be able to determine a formal APE for purposes of Section 106 and 22 VSA § 14.

Constructed in 1926, Bridge No. 32 is a riveted Pratt Truss with a single 165 ft. (approximately) span fabricated by the Berlin Construction Company, with Kittredge Bridge Company as the contractor (*Figures 3-5*). An increasingly rare pre-1927 truss, Bridge No. 32 retains a high degree of historic integrity. As a precursor to largely standardized Pratt Trusses deployed in statewide post-1927 recovery efforts, Bridge No. 32 uses built up members rather than the later, more common rolled I-beams. Another refinement principally absent from post-1927 Pratt Trusses is the graduation in size of the diagonals to reflect stresses toward the ends of the bridge.

Bridge No. 32 meets the registration requirements for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) defined in the NRHP-listed *Metal Truss, Masonry, and Concrete Bridges in Vermont: 1820-1940*, Multiple Property Documentation Form (as amended, 2018) individually under Criterion C [type 310], as a rare survivor of a once common type.

Furthermore, Bridge No. 32 has been previously-documented as part of the 1998 VTTrans Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement's corresponding Historic Metal Truss Preservation Plan (VHBPA) within Category A, a class of significant historic bridges in Vermont whose rehabilitation for limited highway use was determined to be

both feasible and prudent.¹ A different use for this bridge would require a project-specific Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), in addition to review under Section 106, Section 4(f), and/or any other applicable laws. Preservation through rehabilitation should be a primary alternative consideration.

Section 4(f) Properties

The Jamaica State Park and Green Mountain National Forest stand on both sides of Bridge No. 32 (*Figure 6*). If a future project at Bridge No. 32 requires temporary or permanent impacts to either of these publicly owned areas, Section 4(f) review will be required.

Please, let me know if there are any questions.

Images

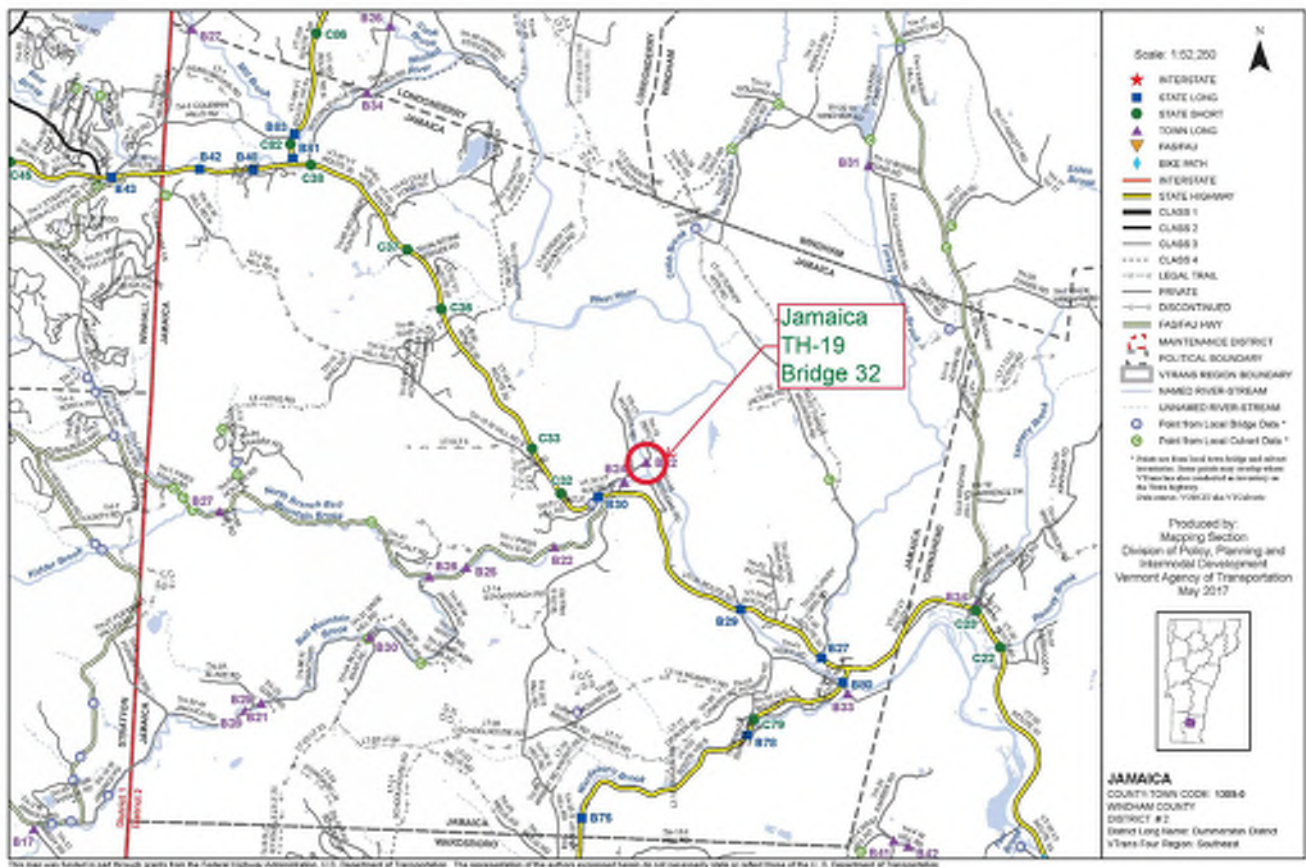


Figure 1. Bridge No. 32 Location

¹ Known as the Vermont Historic Bridge Programmatic Agreement (VHBPA): July 7, 1998; PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT AMONG THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION, THE VERMONT AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION, THE VERMONT STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER, THE VERMONT AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THE VERMONT AGENCY OF COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM FOR PROJECTS INVOLVING HISTORIC BRIDGES.



Figure 2. Preliminary Survey Area



Figure 3. Bridge No. 32



Figure 4. Bridge No. 32



Figure 5. Bridge No. 32, looking towards Jamaica State Park.



Figure 6. Section 4(f) properties near Bridge No. 32 at Jamaica State Park and Green Mountain National Forest.

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Subject: 904229.02 VTrans Depot Street Bridge - Jamaica Bridge Research

Greetings Sean,

Per our contract I have undertaken research to attempt to locate original drawings for the construction of the Jamaica bridge, and additionally, any information that may be available regarding its construction history, modifications, etc.

With respect to the search for original drawings, I was unsuccessful. I attempted contact with the town Commissioner on a few occasions, but did not get a response. I called the Berlin Construction Company, descendant corporation of the original fabricators, on several occasions. I was able to speak with a person only this week, and was told that they did not retain fabrication documents for old projects in their archives. And so it appears that drawings for the bridge may not be able to be located.

With respect to the history of the structure and the site, I was able to find a small amount of information.

A 160-foot long wood covered bridge formerly spanned the river at this location. It was constructed for the West River Railroad, which was chartered in 1867 (Biennial Report 1880:6). The bridge, which appears to have been a Town Patent lattice truss bridge, was completed in late 1870 and "the road leading to it [and] the expenses of it are about two thousand five hundred dollars" (Vermont Chronicle 1870). That bridge was "blown down by a hurricane" (other reports say it was "blown into West River" and "completely flattened out") on 16 July 1925. It had been "built and maintained by the Central Vermont Railroad Company" who claimed at that time that "the railroad is not obliged to rebuild it" (St. Albans Daily Messenger 1925; Caledonian Record 1926a).

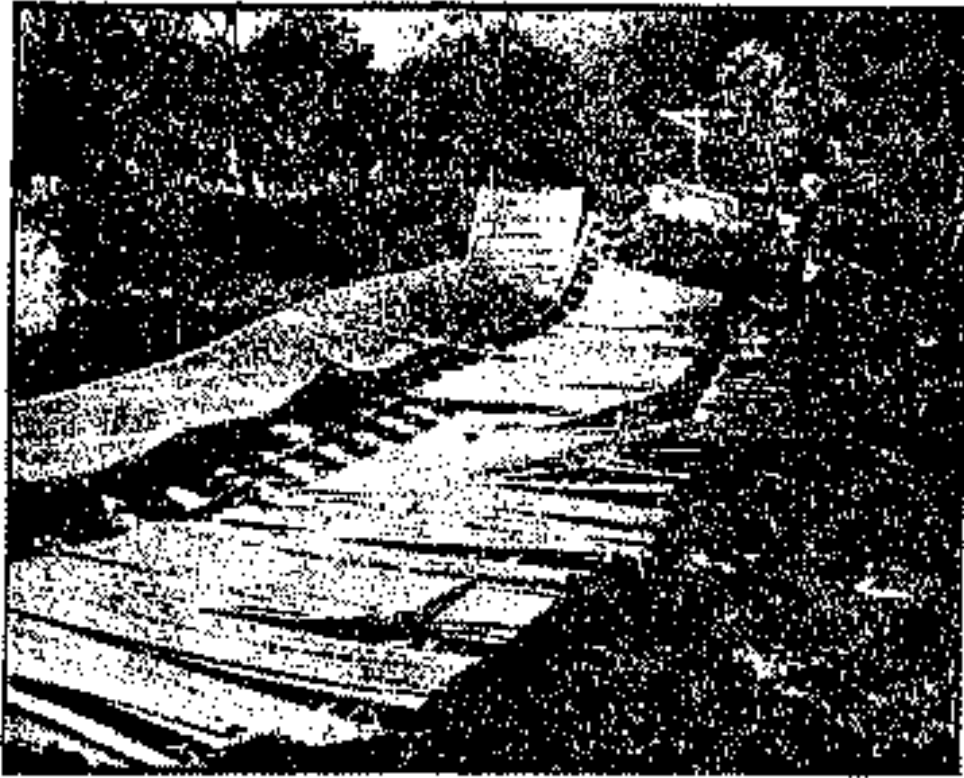


Figure 1. View of the wrecked span (Springfield Republican 1925).

It was estimated in March 1926 that a new span would cost \$13,000.00 to construct, and the railroad agreed to pay half of this amount. A town meeting was held on 29 March 1926 to discuss the proposal (Caledonian Record 1926a). The proposal appears to have included the retention of the stone abutments from the earlier span.

The construction of the new bridge was approved, and it was built in 1926 by the Kittridge Bridge Company of Concord, NH, a company that was active in the 1920s and 1930s and which was headed by Arthur H. Kittredge (Bridgehunter 2021a). The bridge was designed by the Berlin Construction Company, successor to the Berlin Iron Bridge Company, founded in 1877. The company remains in business, and is today known as Berlin Steel Construction Co., and is located in Kensington, CT.

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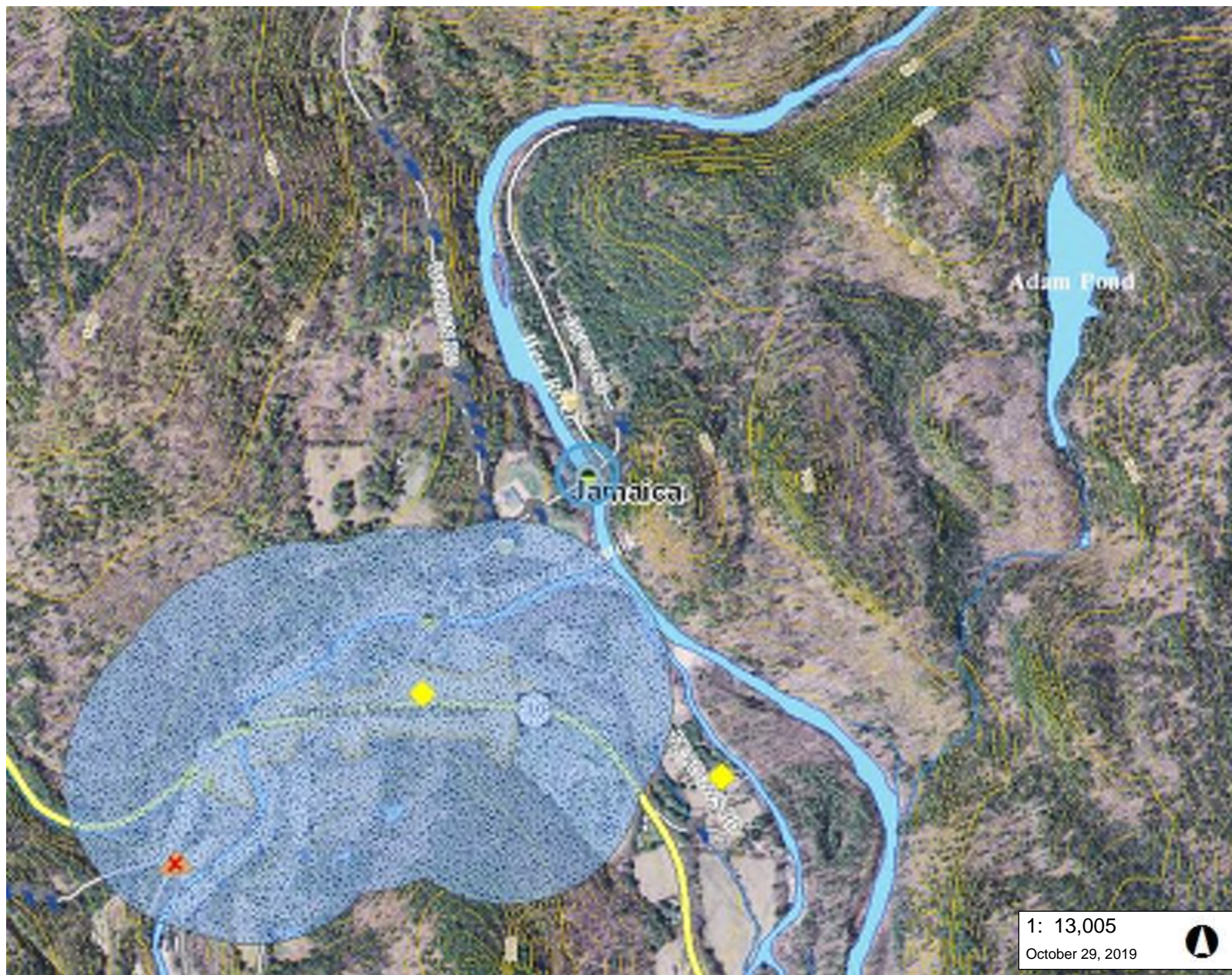
Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walter R. Wheeler". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Walter R. Wheeler
Senior Architectural Historian

APPENDIX J

Hazardous Site Map





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October 29, 2019

























LEGEND

Landfills

-  OPERATING
-  CLOSED

Land Use Restrictions

-  Class IV GW Reclasse
-  Class VI GW Reclasse
-  Deed Restriction
-  Easement
-  Land Record Notice
-  Other

-  Hazardous Site
-  Hazardous Waste Generators
-  Brownfields
-  Salvage Yard
-  Aboveground Storage Tank
-  Urban Soil Background Areas
- Congressional Areas (GMNF)**
 -  National Recreation Area
 -  Wilderness
-  Green Mountain National Forest
-  Act250 Permits **INCOMPLETE
-  VTRANS State and Town Long
-  VTRANS State Short Structure
-  Town Bridge
-  Town Culvert
-  Railroads
-  Roads

NOTES

Jamaica BO 1442(42)-No HazMat sites or UBS in project area. Map created 10/29/2019 using ANR's Natural Resources Atlas.

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1" = 1084 Ft.

1cm = 130 Meters

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APPENDIX K

Existing Utility Report

Jamaica BO 1442(42)
Existing Utilities within Project Limits
Bridge 32, Jamaica
Depot St, Town Highway 19

Aerial Utilities

Green Mountain Power (single phase), Consolidated Communications, and Southern Vermont Cable.

There is a main utility line that crosses over the river to the north of the bridge. The line contains single phase power as well as 2 communication lines.

A utility relocation may be needed and will be determined once design plans are available.

Underground Utilities

None

APPENDIX L

Community Input

Local & Regional Input Questionnaire

Project Summary

This project, BO 1442(42), focuses on truss bridge 32 on town highway 19 (Depot St.) in Jamaica, Vermont. The bridge is in need of either a major maintenance action or replacement. Potential options being considered for this project include a rehabilitation and painting, replacement with a new bridge on the existing alignment, or replacement with a new bridge on a new alignment. Due to the narrow width and fact that there are no alternative routes, a temporary bridge will be required.

The document was compiled from the input of multiple sources who are stakeholders in this project, including, but not limited to, the Jamaica Fire Department, Cota & Cota Oil, Rescue Inc Ambulance Corps, The US Army Corps of Engineers, The Jamaica State Park and local residents.

Community Considerations

1. Are there regularly scheduled public events in the community that will generate increased traffic (e.g. vehicular, bicycles and/or pedestrians), or may be difficult to stage if the bridge is closed during construction? Examples include annual bike races, festivals, parades, cultural events, weekly farmers market, concerts, etc. that could be impacted? If yes, please provide approximate date, location and event organizers' contact info. The bridge is the only access to Jamaica State Park (<https://www.vtstateparks.com/jamaica.html>), which has many scheduled events throughout the year. The bridge provides access to 4 or 5 residence houses of Jamaica. Without this bridge, these residents would not have access to their homes and Public Safety and Public Works couldn't provide services to these residents.
2. Is there a "slow season" or period of time from May through October where traffic is less or no events are scheduled? Winter months, or when the park is closed (Park open 1st Friday in May to 2nd Monday in October). The Bridge provides access to the Jamaica State Park which provides the town of Jamaica with a source of good revenue thru Tourism for local businesses and vendors. The park brings visitors to Jamaica to stay and spend their money locally boosting the economy. Without the bridge, no park. No park, Local economy suffers greatly. Vast portions of undeveloped land that would not be accessible to anyone for development or recreations. No potential new homes. No new Tax revenue. No growth for the Town.
3. Please describe the location of the Town garage, emergency responders (fire, police, ambulance) and emergency response and provide contact information (names, address, email addresses, and phone numbers. The town garage is located less than a mile away (32 Town Shed Road). The Fire department is located less than a mile away (4017 VT Route 30). Town Garage (802) 874-4265 jamaicaroads@svcable.net, Jamaica Volunteer Fire Department (802) 874-4393, This bridge provides access to Public Safety to this area. There is no logical alternative route except on foot overland. In this day and age that would be pathetic.
4. Are there businesses (including agricultural operations and industrial parks) or delivery services (fuel or goods) that would be adversely impacted due to work zone proximity? Cota & Cota Inc

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(heating fuel) are concerned about being able to deliver across the current bridge. The USACE is deeply concerned about the ability to utilize the bridge for possible construction loads for their Ball Mountain Dam project. Delivery services are basically impossible. Homes cannot get anything shipped to them because of the current state of the bridge. Contractors that homeowners hire have smaller trucks they use. Every Delivery, FedEx, UPS, Ambulance, Fire Truck.

5. Are there important public buildings (town hall, community center, senior center, library) or community facilities (recreational fields, town green, etc.) close to the project? The Jamaica Village School is approximately 500' from the bridge (without having to cross the bridge). Salmon Hole is a popular swimming and location at the Jamaica State Park. Close to the project are the Town Hall, Library, Soccer fields, Churches, and Businesses. This bridge provides access to our school for those residents who live on the other side.
6. What other municipal operations could be adversely affected by the work zone at this bridge? This bridge is the only way into this part of Jamaica. Unless someone wishes to walk several miles thru the woods and over the hills, this is the only way into the park and to those five residences. Ambulance and Fire Truck Services would be affected.
7. Is there a local business association, chamber of commerce, regional development corporation, or other downtown group that we should be working with? If known, please provide name, organization, email, and phone number. Town of Jamaica. This bridge provides access to Historic Battlefield within the state park.
8. Are there any public transit services or stops that use the bridge or transit routes in the vicinity that may be affected if they become the detour route? No public transit, just the state park will be affected.

Schools

1. Where are the schools in your community and what are their yearly schedules (example: first week in September to third week in June)? The Jamaica Village School is next to the bridge. Schedule appears to be the last Wednesday in August to the second week in June. Residents need a bridge to get their children to schools from their homes.
2. Is this project on specific routes that school buses or students use to walk to and from school? This bridge is the only route for the 5 houses on Depot St. to get to the school.
3. Are there recreational facilities associated with the schools nearby (other than at the school)? Recreational facilities would be across from the school.

Pedestrians and Bicyclists

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1. What is the current level of bicycle and pedestrian use on the bridge? **The bridge is often used by bikers and hikers and people walking to the park. The bridge is the main entrance to the state park.**
2. Are the current lane and shoulder widths adequate for pedestrian and bicycle use? **The current width of the bridge is fine. Cars and trucks take care when passing pedestrians and only one at a time can pass if a biker is riding. It is really only a one-lane bridge. Cars often wait for pedestrians to get off the bridge before going on it.**
3. Does the community feel there is a need for a sidewalk or bike lane on the bridge? **It would be nice to have a two lane bridge with a sidewalk. A bike lane or pedestrian sidewalk would be nice but not necessary.**
4. Is pedestrian and bicycle traffic heavy enough that it should be accommodated during construction? **Bike and pedestrian passing should definitely be accommodated during construction.**
5. Does the Town have plans to construct either pedestrian or bicycle facilities leading up to the bridge? Please provide any planning documents demonstrating this (scoping study, master plan, corridor study, town or regional plan). **Not that I am aware of, the town would have those answers.**
6. In the vicinity of the bridge, is there a land use pattern, existing generators of pedestrian and/or bicycle traffic, or zoning that will support development that is likely to lead to significant levels of walking and bicycling? **There are homeowners who have the right of ways to large areas of land and could at some point develop.**

Design Considerations

1. Are there any concerns with the alignment of the existing bridge? For example, if the bridge is located on a curve, has this created any problems that we should be aware of? **The alignment of the bridge should be so that long and large campers can make that turn to get into the state park. As well as fuel trucks.**
2. Are there any concerns with the width of the existing bridge? **It would be nice to have a two lane bridge with a sidewalk, one lane with sidewalk could be an alternative.**

The width is fine in my opinion. Cars and trucks and camper need to pass one at a time. The bridge needs to be strong enough to handle Public Safety, Public Works, and commercial heavy equipment.
3. Are there any special aesthetic considerations we should be aware of? **Keep the history of the bridge intact related to the history of the town which is rich.**
4. Does the location have a history of flooding? If yes, please explain. **Flooding? YES! Seet own for history, Irene took 3 houses down ball mt/pikes falls brook! The West River is dam controlled**

Local & Regional Input Questionnaire

but the dam is also leaking! See the Army Corp for details on flooding. Strong enough to handle flood waters and designed to take floodwaters on.

5. Are there any known Hazardous Material Sites near the project site? **Not that I know of.**
6. Are there any known historic, archeological and/or other environmental resource issues near the project site? **Not that I know of.**
7. Are there any utilities (water, sewer, communications, power) attached to the existing bridge? Please provide any available documentation. **Not that I know of.**
8. Are there any existing, pending, or planned municipal utility projects (communications, lighting, drainage, water, wastewater, etc.) near the project that should be considered? **The town should be consulted and the Army Corps.**
9. Are there any other issues that are important for us to understand and consider? **This bridge needs replacement! It's going to be a huge inconvenience, but it must be done. We will need to be sure that emergency vehicles can get to our houses. I hope to be included in the discussion and the plans. All need to be well informed of the timeline.**

Land Use & Zoning

1. Please provide a copy of your existing and future land use map or zoning map, if applicable. **I will work on getting a copy of my property and the rights of ways around me.**
2. Are there any existing, pending or planned development proposal that would impact future transportation patterns near the bridge? If so, please explain. **I have no personal planned development that would impact the bridge. The failure to have proper repair / replacement of the bridge and the resulting weight restrictions have injured us by denying the ability among the many other restrictions to; Economically harvest and transport timber off of the property, bring equipment to site to further proper forest management, and to transport equipment and materials to construct private homes on site.**
3. Is there any planned expansion of public transit or intercity transit service in the project area? Please provide the name and contact information for the relevant public transit provider. **Public transit expansion I do not know of.**

Communications

1. Please identify any local communication outlets that are available for us to use in communicating with the local population. Include weekly or daily newspapers, blogs, radio, public access TV, Facebook, Front Page Forum, etc. Also include any unconventional means such as local low-power FM. **Local communications would be the Town Offices in Jamaica, the**

Local & Regional Input Questionnaire

Jamaica Market and Karen Ameden, Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/JamaicaVermont05343/>, Vermont Public Radio, WEQX.

2. Other than people/organizations already referenced in this questionnaire, are there any others who should be kept in the loop as the project moves forward? Include Army Corp of Engineers, Town Selectmen, Road Commissioners.

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August 19, 2019

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Dear Mr. Bluming,

We are owners for close to 50 years of 556 acres of forest timberland on the East side of the West River Jamaica Vermont.

The property is accessible only via the Depot Street Bridge.

Failure to have proper repair/replacement of the bridge and the resulting weight restrictions have injured us by denying the ability among the many other restrictions to,

- Economically harvest and transport timber off of the property,
- Bring equipment to site to further proper forest management,
- Transport equipment and materials to construct private homes on site,

Respectfully

A Charles Miller

24 Hour Emergency Service • BioBlend Fuel Oil • Propane Gas • Kerosene • Wood Pellets • Gasoline • Diesel • Oil & Gas Boilers
Furnaces & Water Heaters • Complete Plumbing & HVAC Equipment & Contracting • Low Temperature Alarms • Radiant Heating Systems

August 26th, 2019

Dear Jamaica Select Board,

We have serious concerns on being able to provide uninterrupted deliveries of home heating fuel and propane gas to residents on the other side of the bridge. This may be impossible unless the bridge is brought up to code. We will not have the means to provide the necessary heating fuel for them to survive the harsh winters of Vermont. We are extremely concerned for the health and well-being of our fellow Vermonters. We are asking that an immediate resolution to this dire situation happens sooner rather than later so that our residents and customers can continue to get the service that they need to survive.

Warm Regards,



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Depot Street Bridge: USACE Load Rating (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Mon, Mar 18, 2019

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at 5:47 AM

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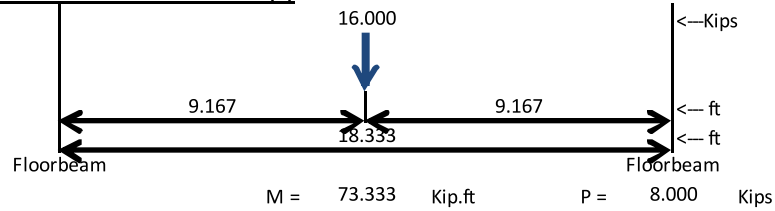
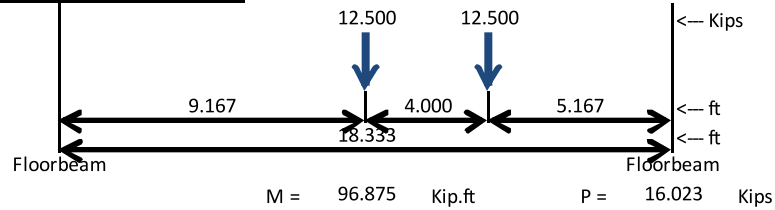
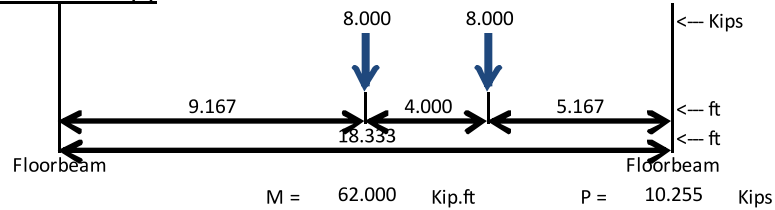
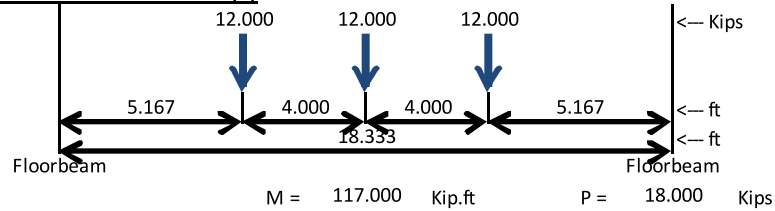
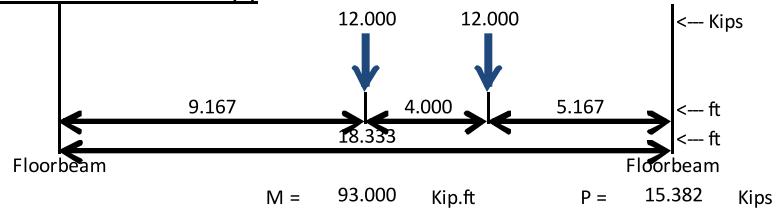
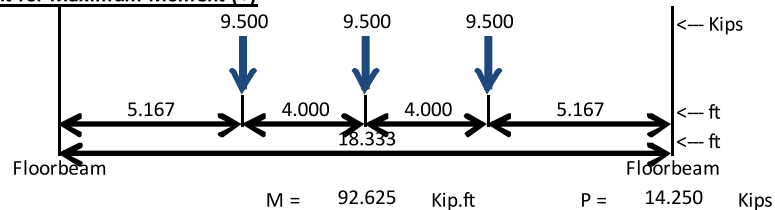
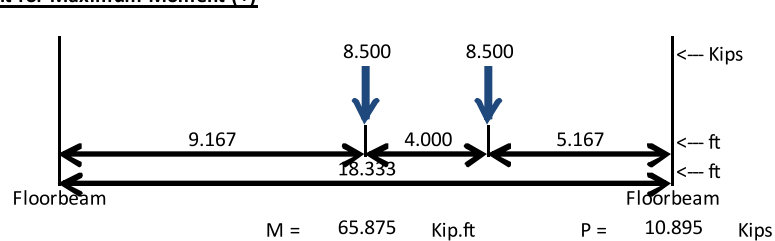
Depot Rd Bridge Load Rating
Summary

Prepared by: TPN
Checked by: _____

Date: 02/03/15
Date: _____

LOAD RATING SUMMARY
(Section Loss Included)

LIVE LOAD	RATING TYPE	γ_{DL} ---	DL kip.ft	γ_{LL+IM} ---	LL+IM kip.ft	C kip.ft	RF ---	RL TONS
HL-93 (TRUCK)	INV	1.25	4.61	1.75	57.04	10.19	0.04	1.11
	OPR	1.25	4.61	1.35	57.04	10.19	0.06	1.44
HL-93 (TANDEM)	INV	1.25	4.61	1.75	72.73	10.19	0.03	0.87
	OPR	1.25	4.61	1.35	72.73	10.19	0.05	1.13
3S2	LEGAL	1.25	4.61	1.30	49.48	10.19	0.07	2.48
6-AXLE	LEGAL	1.25	4.61	1.30	86.15	10.19	0.04	2.61
3-AXLE	LEGAL	1.25	4.61	1.30	70.15	10.19	0.05	1.46
4-AXLE	LEGAL	1.25	4.61	1.30	69.90	10.19	0.05	1.68
5-AXLE	LEGAL	1.25	4.61	1.30	52.06	10.19	0.07	2.49

STRINGER LOAD RATING:**HL93 Truck position for Maximum Moment (+)****HL93 Tandem for Maximum Moment (+)****3S2 for Maximum Moment (+)****6-Axle Straight for Maximum Moment (+)****3-Axle Straight for Maximum Moment (+)****4-Axle Straight for Maximum Moment (+)****5-Axle Straight for Maximum Moment (+)**

STRINGER LOAD RATING:

Span Length - $L = 18.333$ ft
 Number of Lanes - $N_L = 1.000$ ---
 Beam Spacing - $S = 2.667$ ft
 Number of Beams - $N_b = 6.000$ ---

LIVE LOAD

$DF_{INT} = S/8.8 = 0.303$ Lanes Table 4.6.2.2.2a-1
 $DF_{EXT} \text{ (INCLUDING LANE FACTOR OF 1.2)} = 1.2 * 0.5(S-1.5)/S = 0.263$ Lanes
 $DF = 0.303$ Lanes <--- Controls
 Dynamic Load Allowance - $IM = 0.100$ --- Slow Traffic

HL93 TRUCK

$M_{MIDSPAN}$ due to 1 Lane Load = $WL^2/8 - M_{LANE} = 26.889$ kip.ft/lane
 and
 $M_{MIDSPAN}$ due to 1 Truck Load - $M_{TRUCK} = 146.667$ kip.ft/lane
 $M_{MIDSPAN}$ Total per Stringer - $M_{LL+IM} = 57.037$ kip.ft

DEAD LOAD

Wood Density - $\gamma_w = 0.050$ kcf
 Curb Height - $h_c = 2.000$ in
 Curb Width - $w_c = 4.000$ in
 Curb Weight per Stringer - $W_c = 0.001$ klf
 Depth of Deck - $h_d = 7.500$ in
 Width of Deck per Stringer - $w_d = 2.667$ ft
 Deck Weight per Stringer - $W_d = 0.083$ klf
 Stringer Weight - $W_s = 0.025$ klf
 Total Dead Load - $W_{DD} = 0.110$ klf
 $M_{MIDSPAN}$ Total per Stringer = $(1/8)*WL^2 - M_{DD} = 4.610$ kip.ft

CAPACITY**Note: Existing S12x25 for Stringers, Noncompostie Section (6.10.8)****MEMBER PROPERTIES:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_s &= 27000.000 \text{ ksi} \\
 F_{ft} = F_{yc} = F_y &= 30.000 \text{ ksi} \\
 0.7 * F_{yc} = F_{yr} &= 21.000 \text{ ksi} \\
 R_b &= 1.000 \text{ ---} \\
 R_h &= 1.000 \text{ ---}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$b_{fc} = 4.194 \text{ in} \quad (\text{Assumed 10\% Loss})$$

$$t_{fc} = 0.392 \text{ in} \quad (\text{Assumed 20\% Loss})$$

$$d_w = 10.000 \text{ in}$$

$$t_w = 0.310 \text{ in}$$

$$b_{ft} = 4.660 \text{ in}$$

$$t_{ft} = 0.490 \text{ in}$$

$$D_c = 5.026$$

$$t_c = 5.418$$

$$t_t = 4.582$$

$$A = 6.754 \text{ in}^2$$

$$I = 108.048 \text{ in}^4$$

Element	b	t	A	dt	A*dt	dn	ln
---	in	in	in ²	in	in ³	in	in ⁴
fc	4.194	0.392	1.644	9.804	16.118	5.222	44.848
w	0.310	9.118	2.827	5.049	14.271	0.467	20.199
ft	4.660	0.490	2.283	0.245	0.559	-4.337	43.002
Total	---	10.000	6.754	---	30.949	---	108.048

COMPRESSION-FLANGE FLEXURAL RESISTANCE (6.10.8.2)

$$F_{nc} = 6.133 \text{ ksi} \quad (\text{See Cals below})$$

$$\text{Nominal Moment Capacity: } F_{nc} * I / t_c = M_{nc} = 10.193 \text{ kip.ft} \quad \text{<---Controls}$$

Local Buckling Resistance: 6.10.8.2.2

$$\text{Controlling } F_{nc} = 30.000 \text{ ksi}$$

IF $\lambda_f \leq \lambda_{fp}$, then:

$$R_b * R_h * F_y = F_{nc} = 30.000 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{TRUE}$$

IF $\lambda_f < \lambda_{fp}$, then:

$$[1 - (1 - F_{yr} / R_h / F_{yc})(\lambda_f - \lambda_{pf}) / (\lambda_{rf} - \lambda_{pf})] * R_b * R_h * F_y = F_{nc} = -23.530 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{FALSE}$$

$$\text{Slend. Ratio for Comp. Flange: } 0.5 * b_f / t_f = \lambda_f = 5.349 \text{ ---}$$

$$\text{Compact Limit. Slender. Ratio: } 0.38 * (E_s / f_y) = \lambda_{pf} = 11.400$$

$$\text{Noncomp. Limit. Slender. Ratio: } 0.56 * (E_s / f_y) = \lambda_{rf} = 16.800$$

Lateral Torsional Buckling Resistance: 6.10.8.2.2

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If $L_b \leq L_p$, then:

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If $L_p < L_b \leq L_r$, then:

$$C_b [1 - (1 - F_{yr} / R_h / F_{yc})(L_b - L_p) / (L_r - L_p)] * R_b * R_h * F_y = F_{nc} = 5.003 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{FALSE}$$

If $L_r < L_b$, then:

$$C_b * R_b * \pi^2 * E / (L_b / r_t)^2 = F_{cr} = F_{nc} = 6.133 \text{ ksi} \quad \text{TRUE}$$

$$\text{Unbracing Length: } L_b = 220.000 \text{ in}$$

$$\text{Limit. Unbraced Length: } r_t * (E / F_{yc})^{0.5} = L_p = 31.663 \text{ in}$$

$$\text{Limit. Unbraced Length: } \pi * r_t * (E / F_{yc})^{0.5} = L_r = 99.472 \text{ in}$$

$$\text{Moment Gradient Modifier: } C_b = 1.000 \text{ ---}$$

$$b_{fc} / (12 * (1 + (D_c t_w) / (3 b_{fc} t_{fc})))^{0.5} = r_t = 1.055 \text{ in}$$

TENSION-FLANGE FLEXURAL RESISTANCE (6.10.8.3)

$$R_h * F_{yt} = F_{nt} = 30.000 \text{ ksi}$$

$$\text{Nominal Moment Capacity: } F_{nt} * I / t_t = M_{nt} = 58.948 \text{ kip.ft}$$

FLEXURAL RESISTANCE

Nominal Moment Capacity: $M_n = 10.193 \text{ kip.ft}$
 LRFD Resistance Factor - $\phi = 1.000$ --- (6.5.4.2)
 Condition Factor - $\phi_c = 1.000$ --- Table 6A.4.2.3-1
 System Factor - $\phi_s = 1.000$ --- Table 6A.4.2.4-1
Capacity: $C = \phi * \phi_c * \phi_s * R_n = 10.193 \text{ kip.ft}$ (6A.4.2.1-2)

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Agency of Natural Resources

August 30, 2019

Joel Bluming

Town of Jamaica Representative to Windham Regional Planning Commission Transportation Committee
Via Email

Dear Mr. Bluming:

I am writing in response to your request for a letter to support a project to rehabilitate Bridge #32 on Town Highway 19 (Depot Street) in Jamaica, Vermont.

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The current condition and documented decline of Bridge 32 has long been on FPR's watch list and we grow increasingly concern about its capacity to safely pass traffic necessary for the operation of the state park. We have many infrastructure and forest management projects that have been on hold, some more than 20 years, due to the limited and decreasing weight capacity of the bridge. Most recently we have had to make very difficult and substantive changes to basic park functions like trash removal, firewood delivery and septic tank pumping to accommodate the limits of the bridge.

The Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation fully supports a project to rehabilitate the bridge to a state where it can adequately convey traffic necessary for the operation and maintenance of the state park in a time frame that does not impede its operation. Any closure of the bridge, even temporarily, is not feasible during the park operating season.

Thank you for working on this issue.

Ethan Phelps, CPRP
Parks Regional Manager



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Depot Street Bridge: USACE Load Rating (UNCLASSIFIED)

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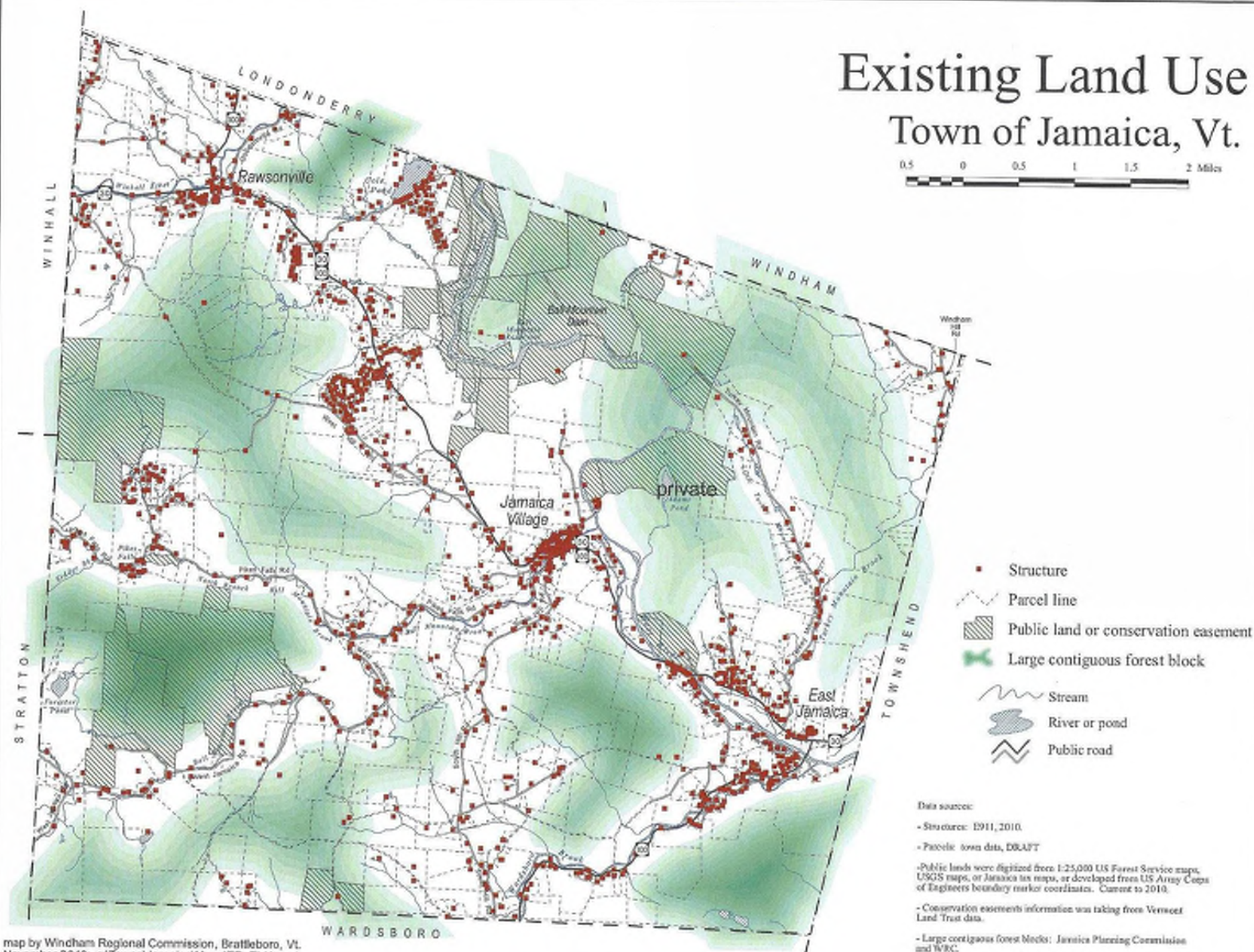
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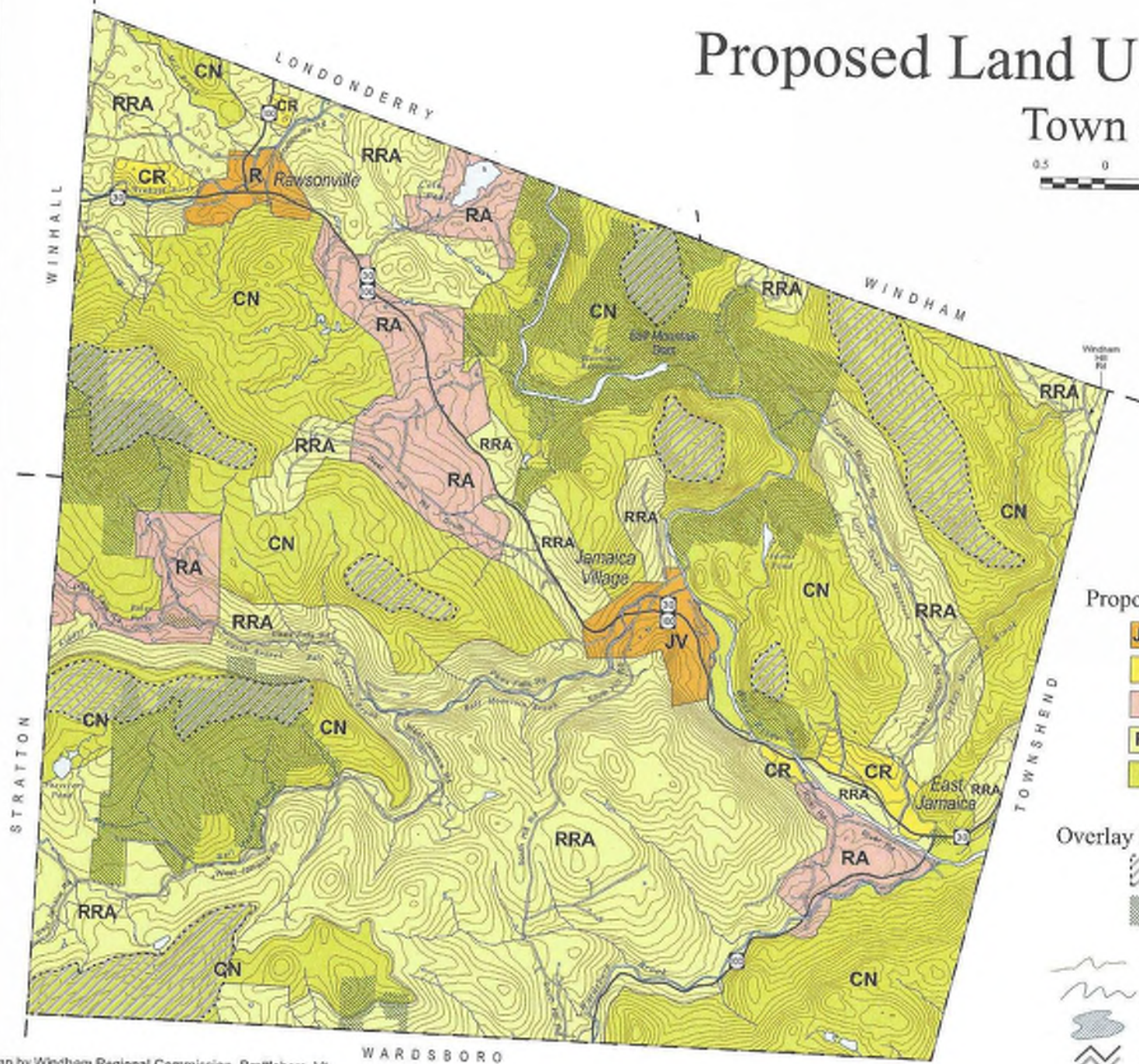
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Proposed Land Use Districts Town of Jamaica, Vt.

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Proposed Land Use districts:

- JV/R** Village
- CR** Commercial-Residential Area
- RA** Residential Area
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Overlay Districts:

- Special Sites and Areas
- Conserved Land

- Generalized 50-foot contour
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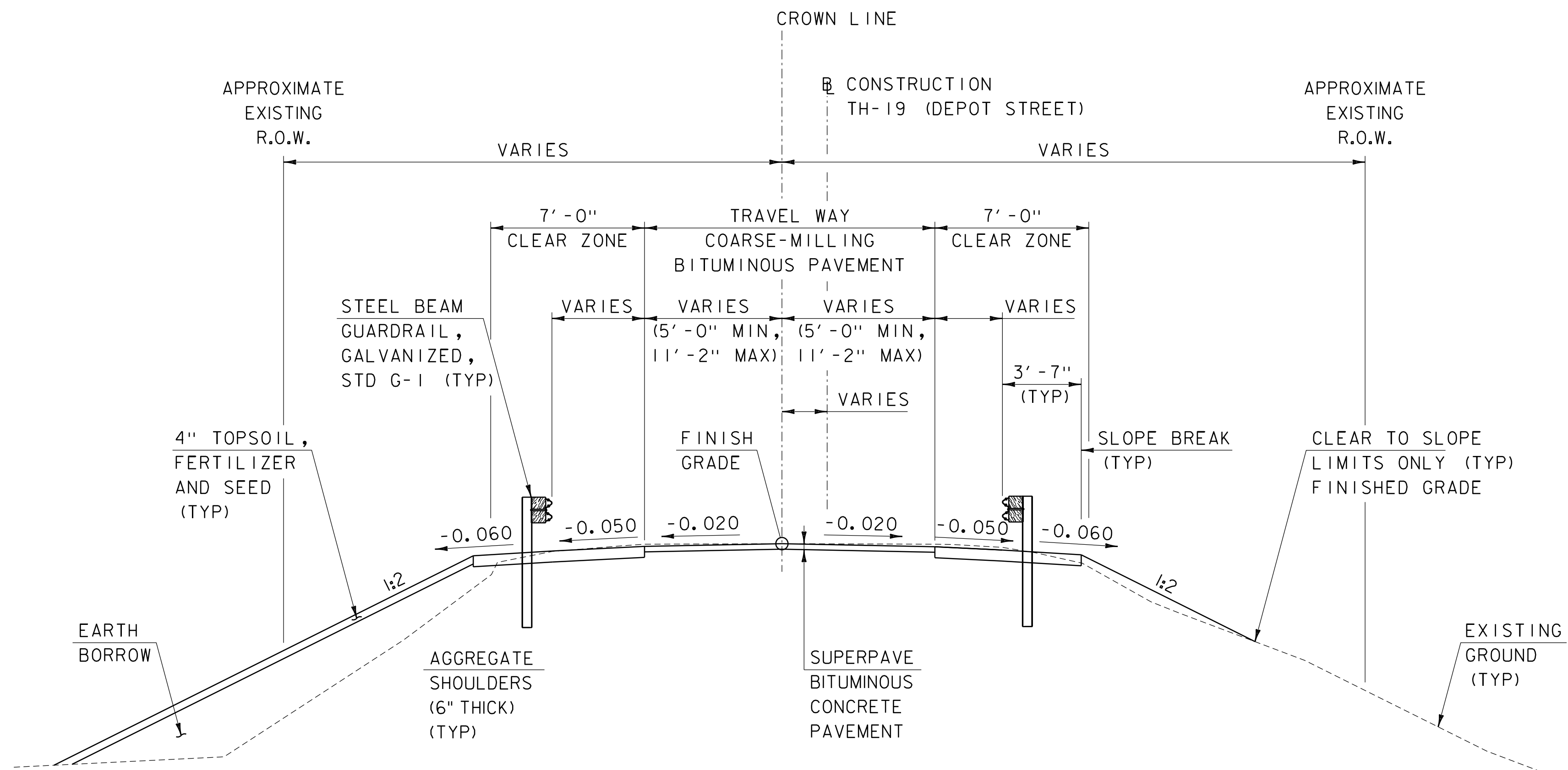
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Joel Bluming

Jamaica Selectperson and Jamaica WRC commissioner

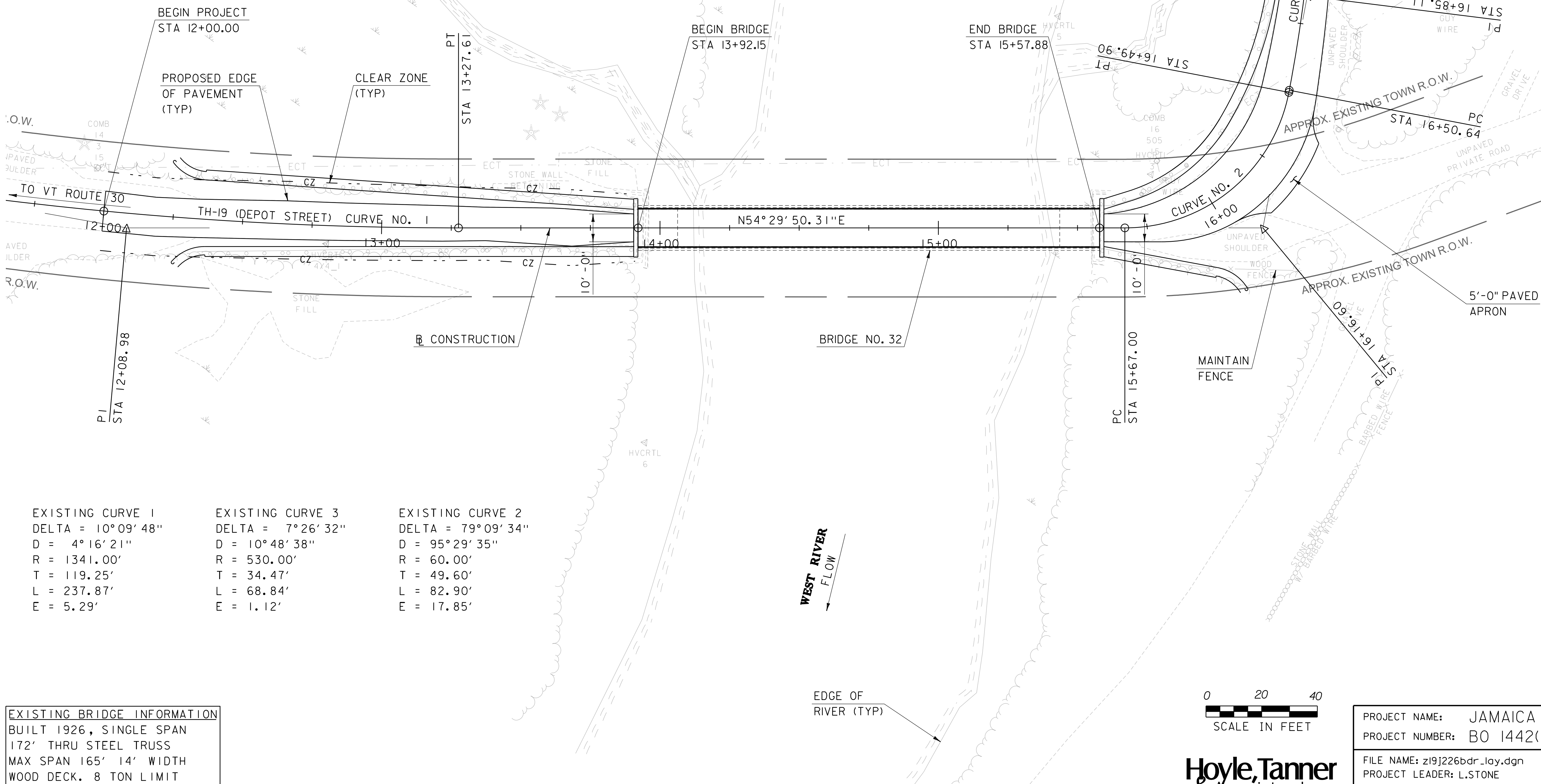
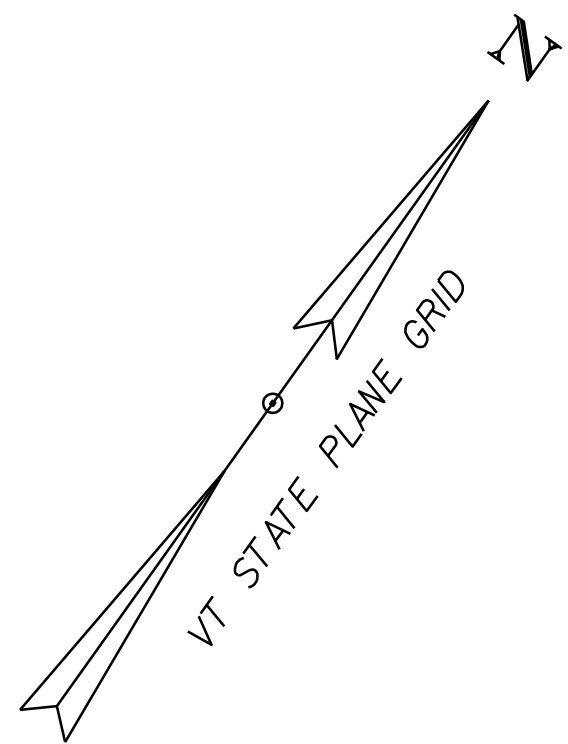
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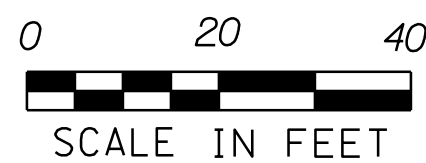
ROADWAY TYPICAL SECTION

STA 12+00.00 - STA 13+90.56
 STA 15+59.46 - STA 17+19.49
 NOT TO SCALE



EXISTING CURVE 1	EXISTING CURVE 3	EXISTING CURVE 2
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D = 4°16' 21"	D = 10°48' 38"	D = 95°29' 35"
R = 1341.00'	R = 530.00'	R = 60.00'
T = 119.25'	T = 34.47'	T = 49.60'
L = 237.87'	L = 68.84'	L = 82.90'
E = 5.29'	E = 1.12'	E = 17.85'

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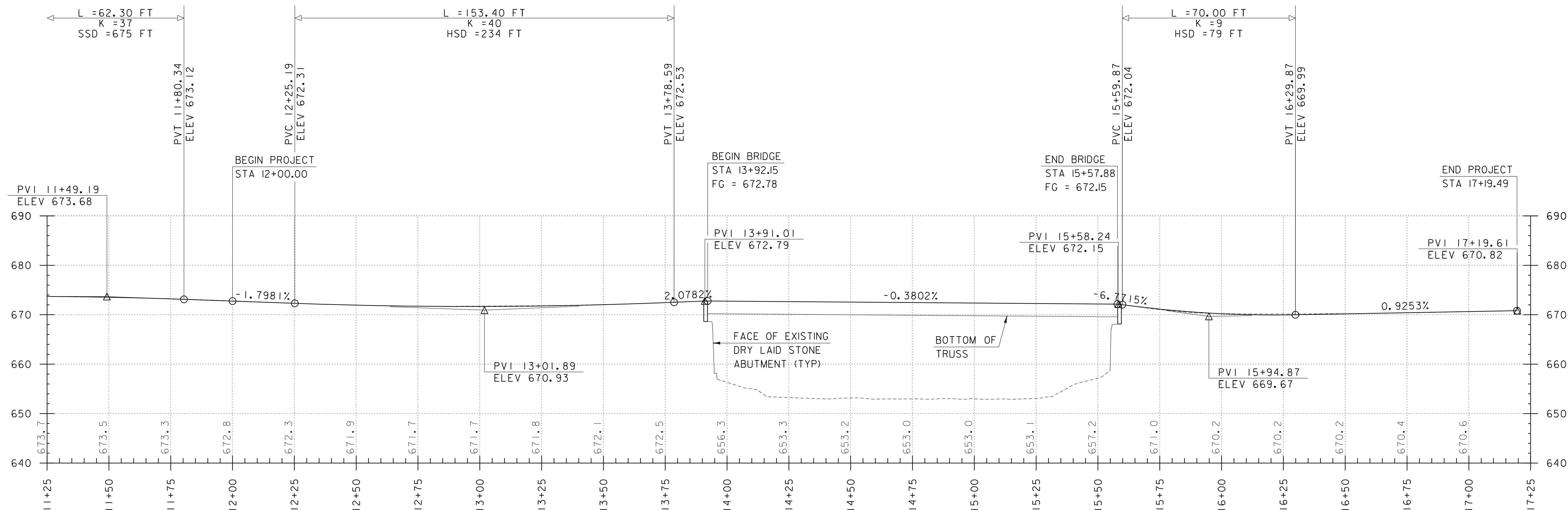


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TOWN HIGHWAY 19 PROFILE

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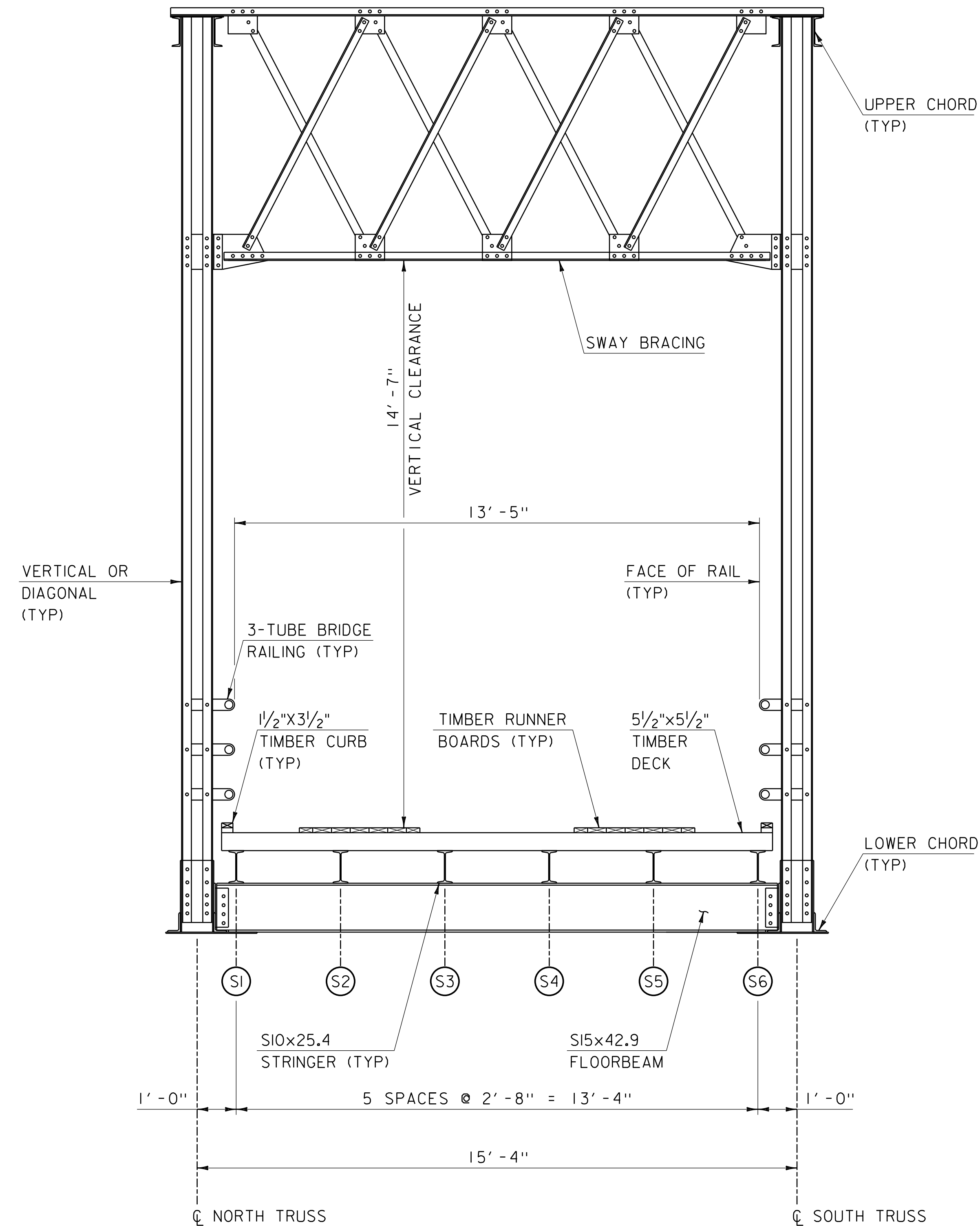
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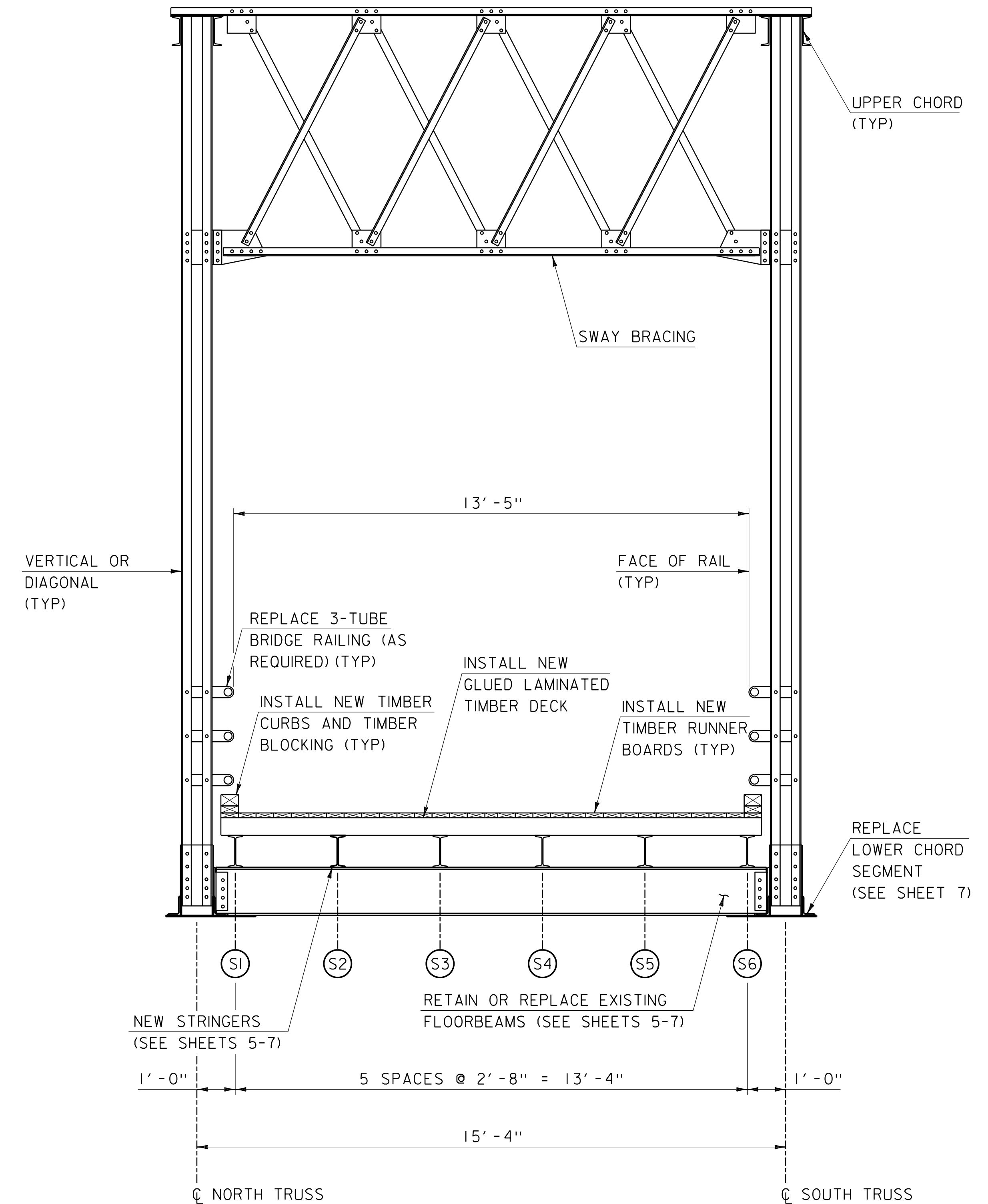
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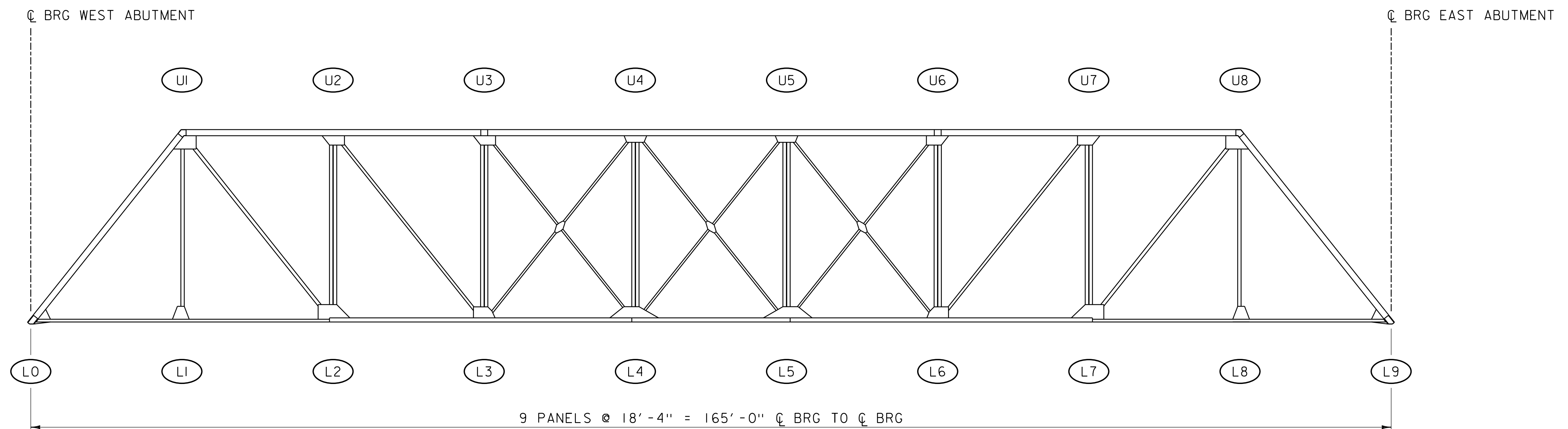
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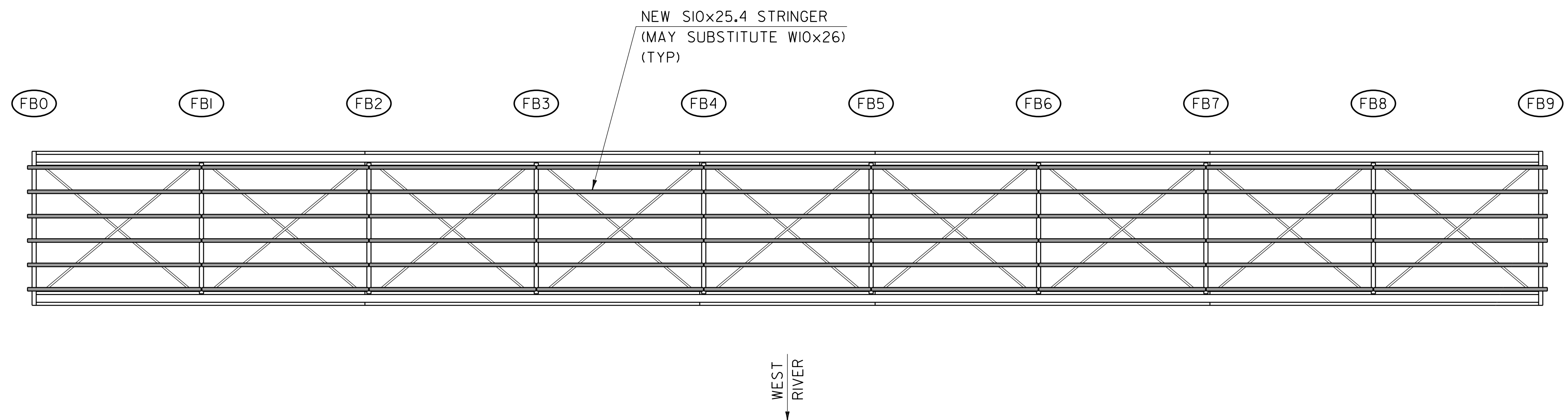
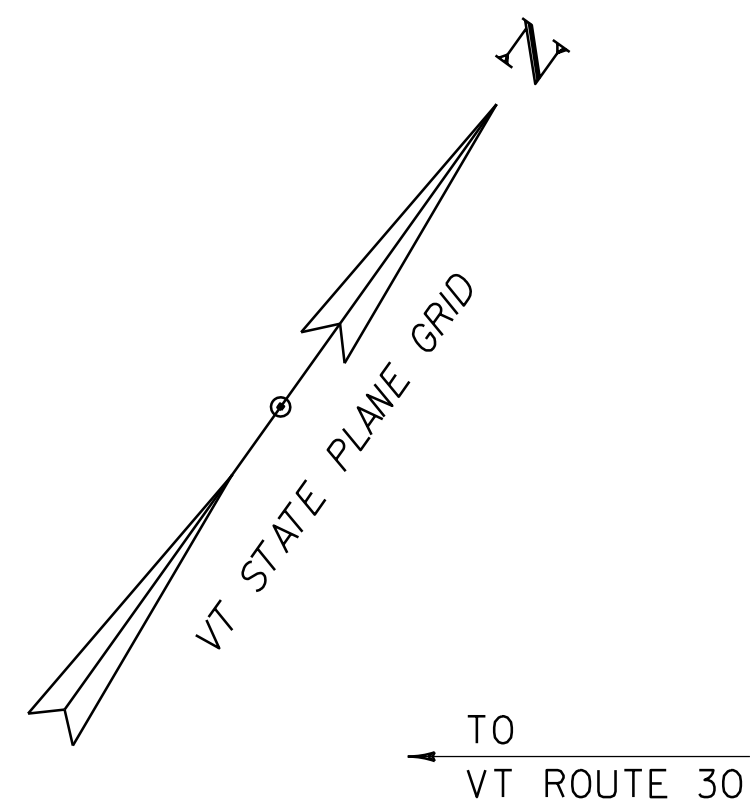
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PROPOSED BRIDGE SECTION
SCALE: 1/2" = 1'-0"



TRUSS ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

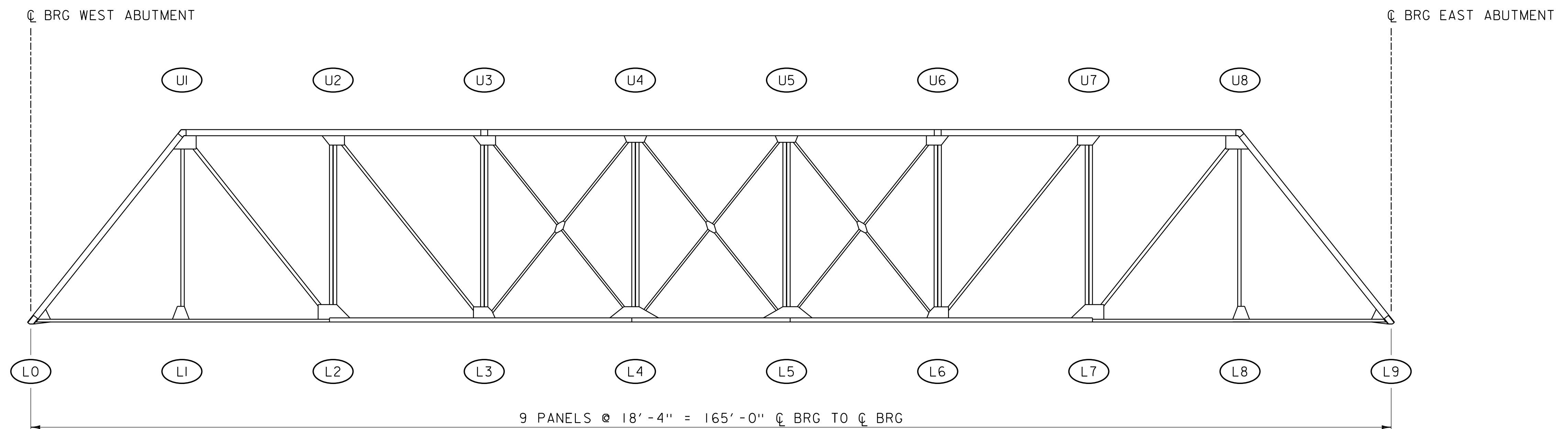


FLOOR FRAMING PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

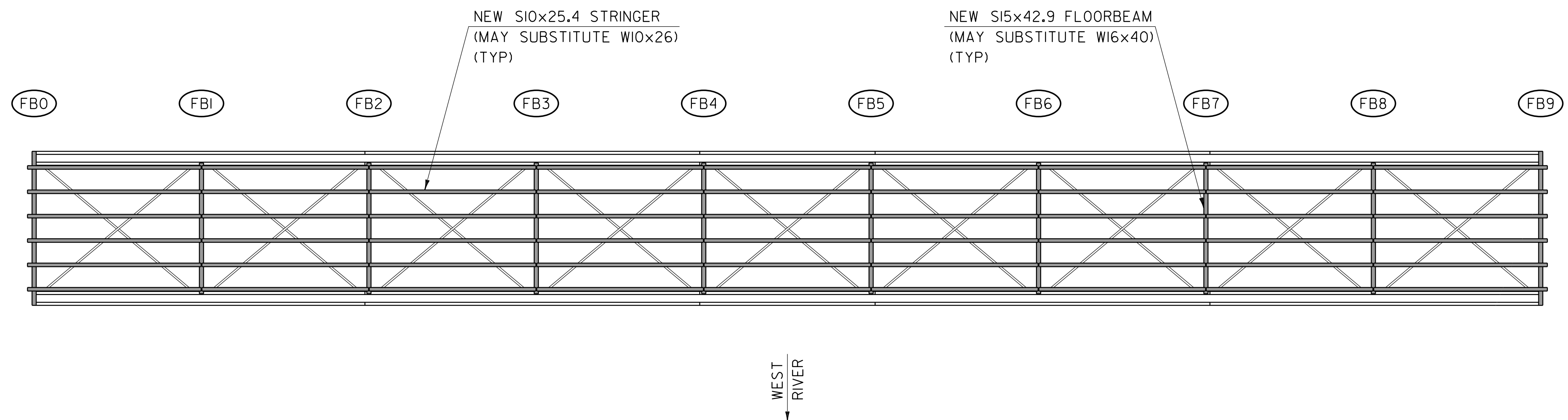
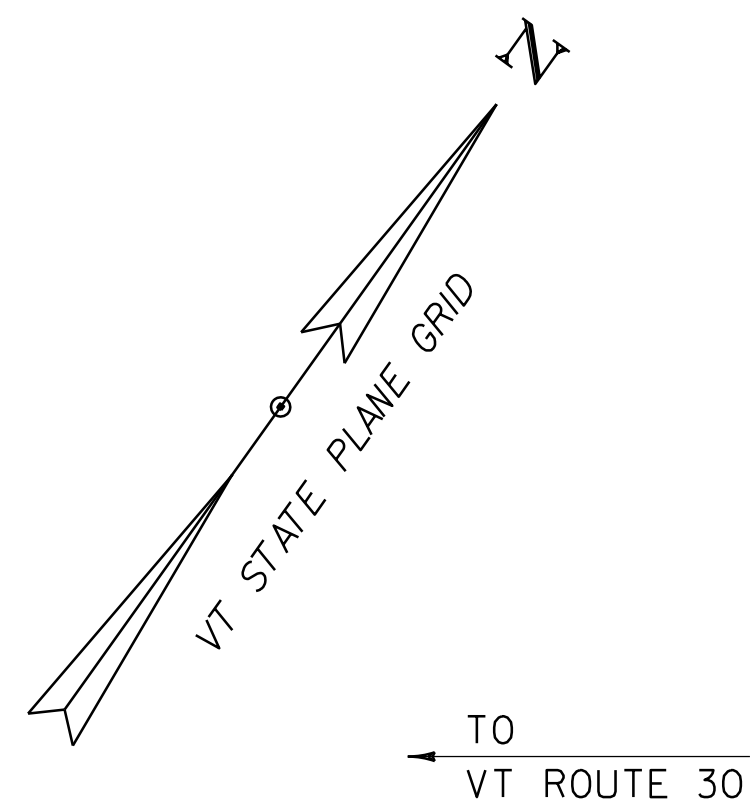
- LEGEND**
- MEMBER TO BE REPLACED
 - XX TRUSS NODE LOCATION
 - FBX FLOOR BEAM LOCATION

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TRUSS H8 LIVE LOADING	SHEET 5 OF 10



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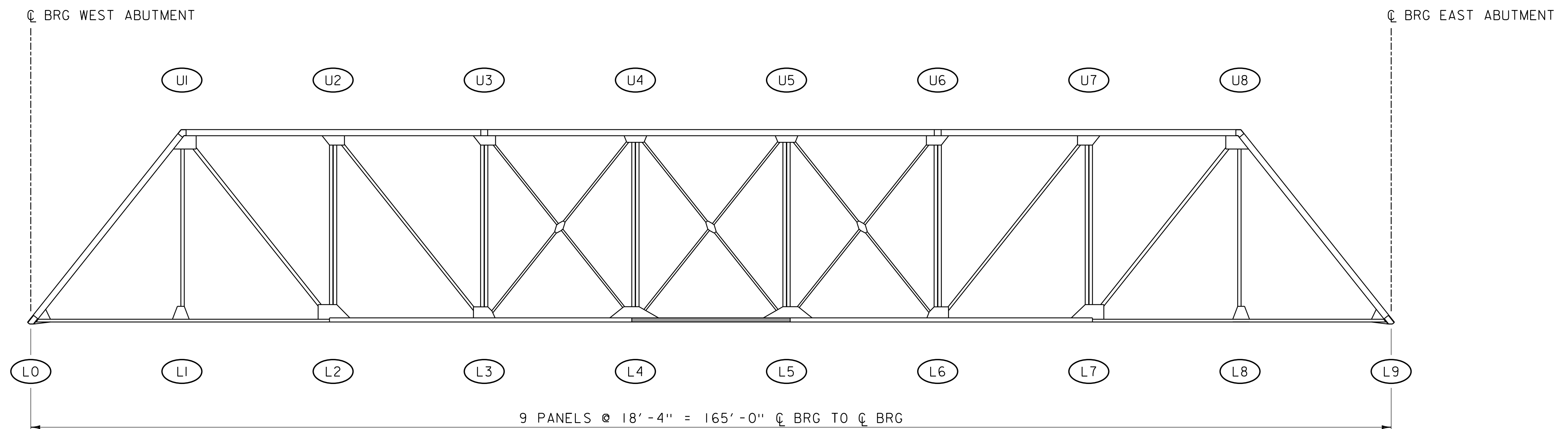


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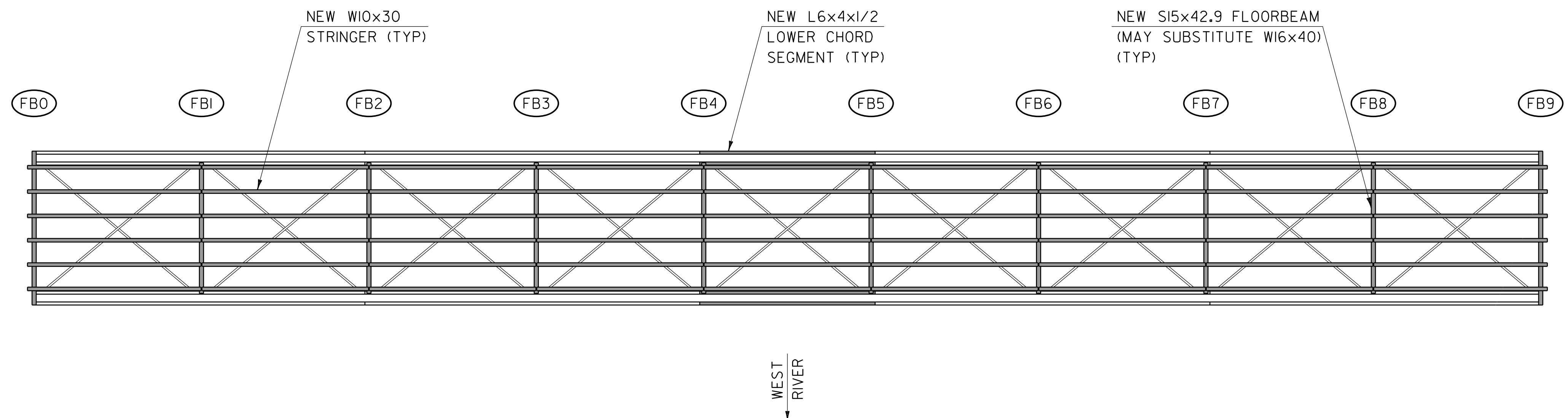
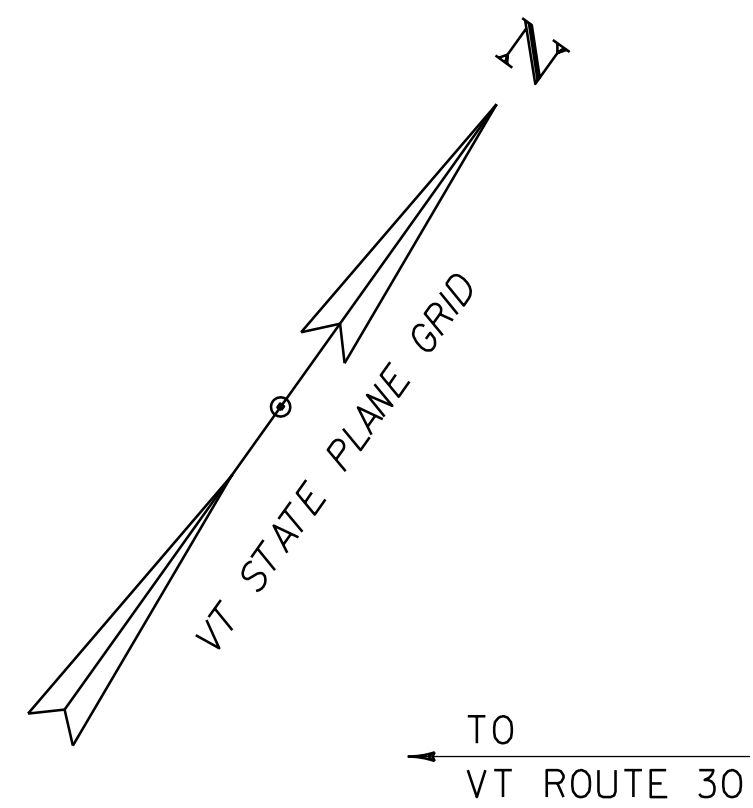
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TRUSS ELEVATION

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FLOOR FRAMING PLAN

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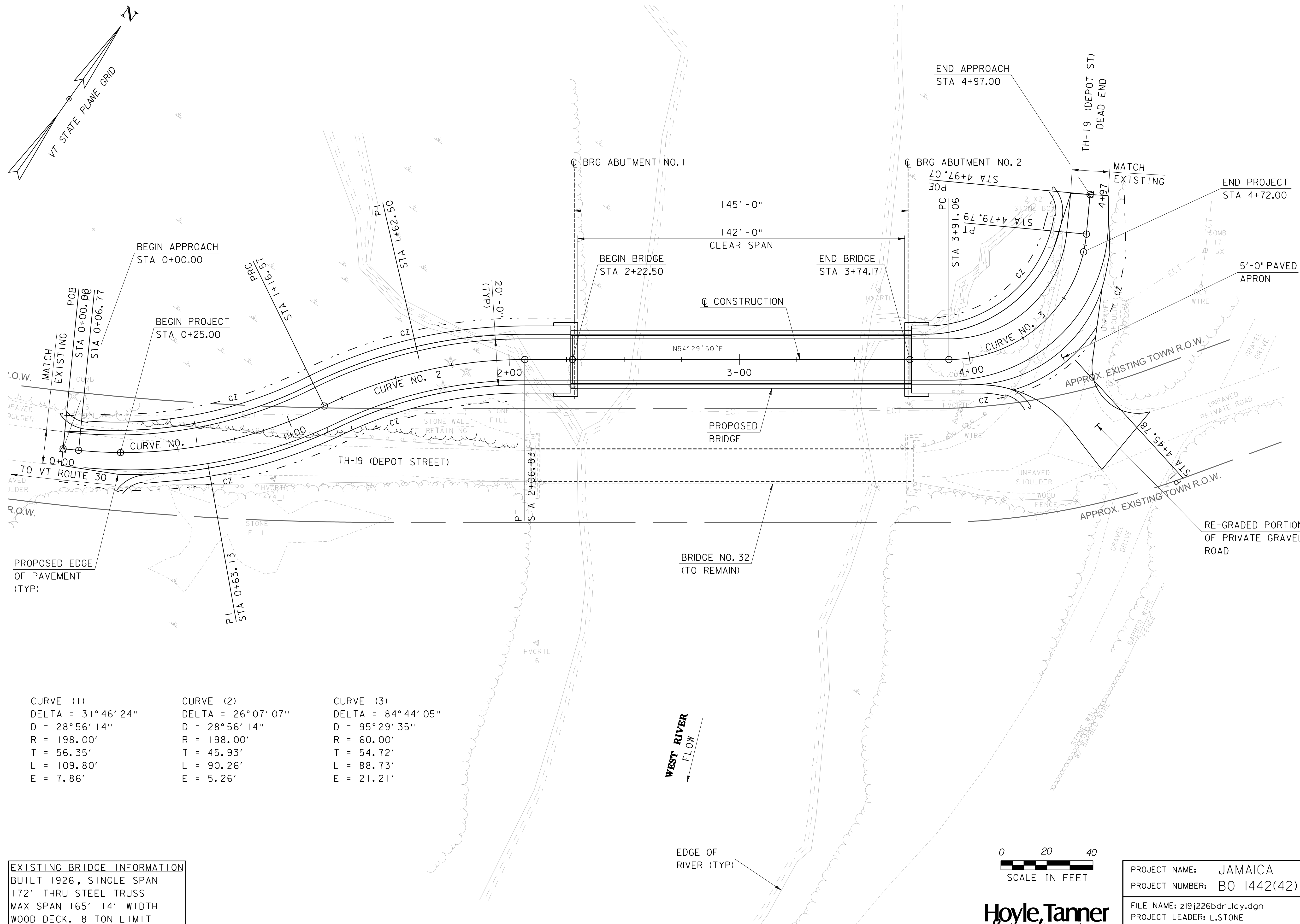
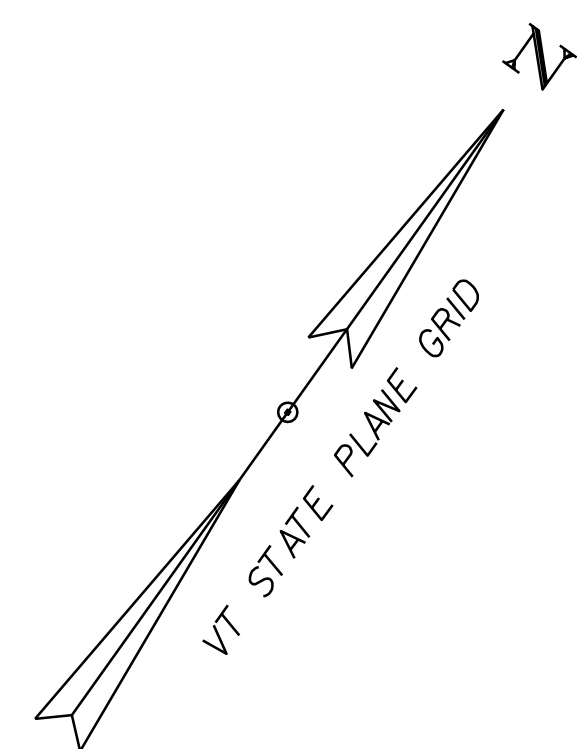
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TRUSS H20 LIVE LOADING

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CURVE (1)	CURVE (2)	CURVE (3)
DELTA = 31° 46' 24"	DELTA = 26° 07' 07"	DELTA = 84° 44' 05"
D = 28° 56' 14"	D = 28° 56' 14"	D = 95° 29' 35"
R = 198.00'	R = 198.00'	R = 60.00'
T = 56.35'	T = 45.93'	T = 54.72'
L = 109.80'	L = 90.26'	L = 88.73'
E = 7.86'	E = 5.26'	E = 21.21'

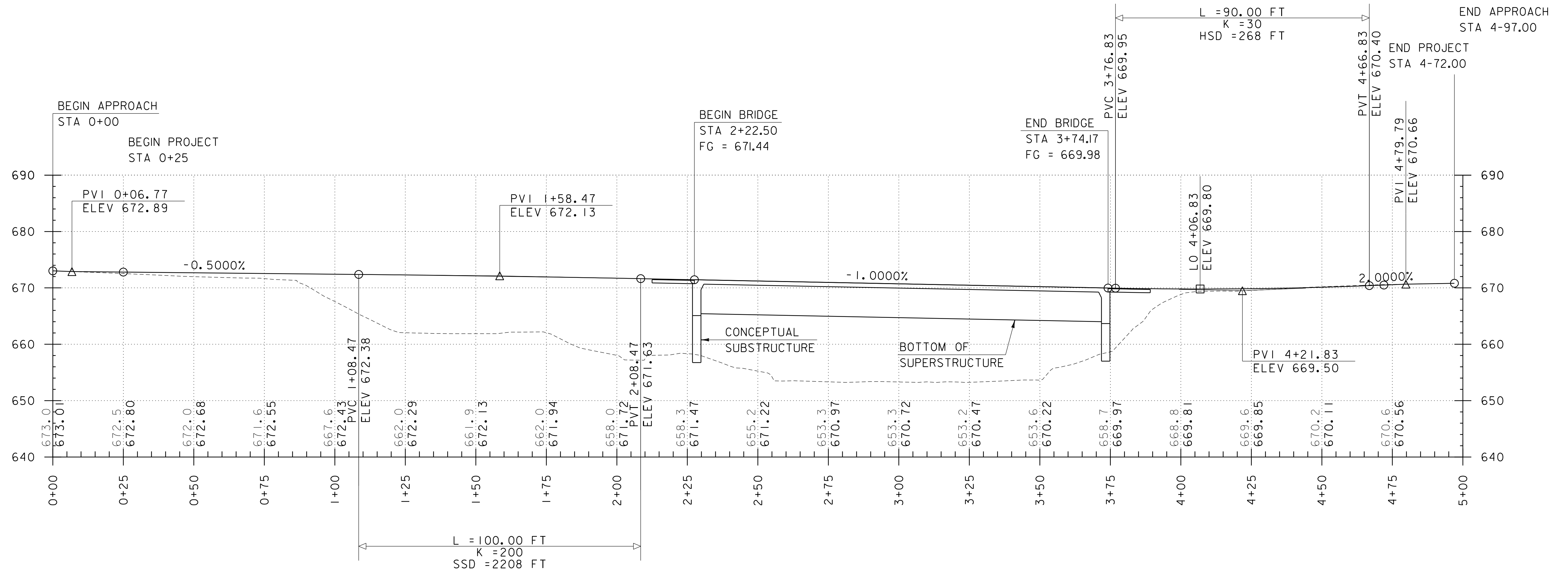
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ADAPTIVE REUSE ALIGNMENT PROFILE

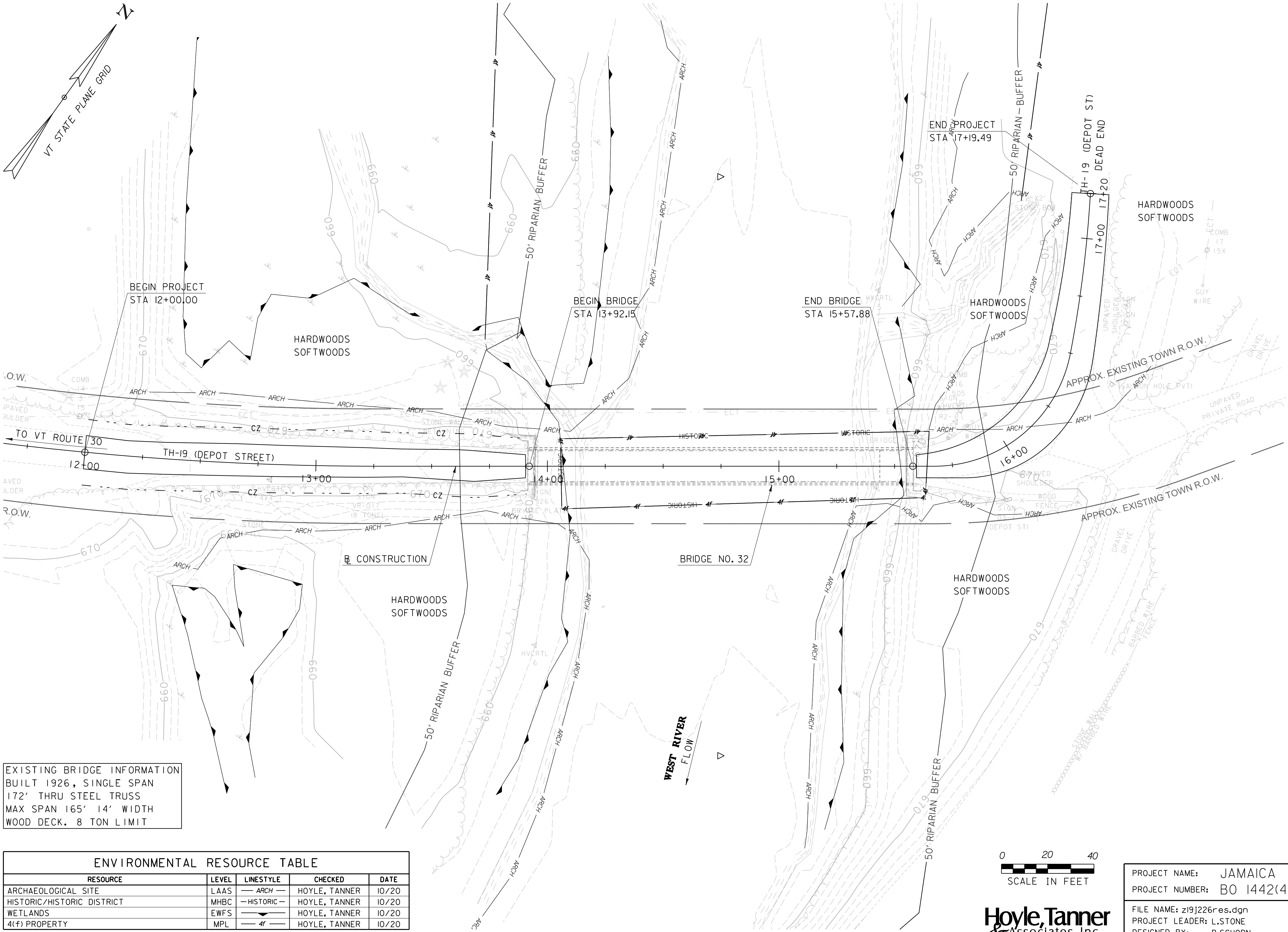
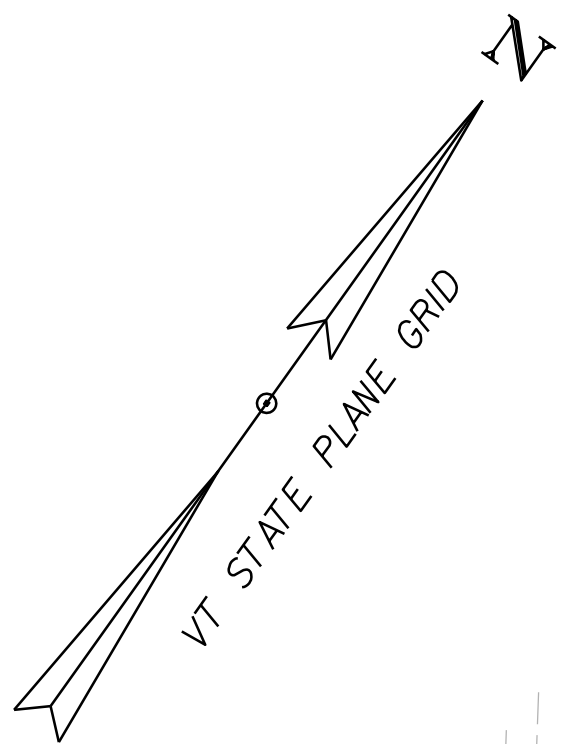
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RESOURCE	LEVEL	LINESTYLE	CHECKED	DATE
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE	LAAS	— ARCH —	HOYLE, TANNER	10/20
HISTORIC/HISTORIC DISTRICT	MHBC	— HISTORIC —	HOYLE, TANNER	10/20
WETLANDS	EWFS	— WETLANDS —	HOYLE, TANNER	10/20
4(f) PROPERTY	MPL	— 4f —	HOYLE, TANNER	10/20



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