



Essex, VT  
Route 15,  
Bridge 2 over  
Indian Brook



Essex, VT  
Route 2A,  
Bridge 11 over  
Unknown Brook



Essex, VT Route  
289, Bridge 17-A  
over Unknown  
Brook



Jericho, VT  
Route 15,  
Bridge 6A over  
Unknown Brook

# Essex-Jericho Culvert Bundle Public Informational Meeting

March 21, 2024



# Introductions

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# Purpose of Meeting

- Provide an understanding of our approach to the project
- Identify current efforts and anticipated schedule
- Provide an opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns

# VTrans Project Development Process

Current  
Status



Project  
Funded

Project  
Defined

Contract  
Award

Project  
Definition

Project Design

Construction

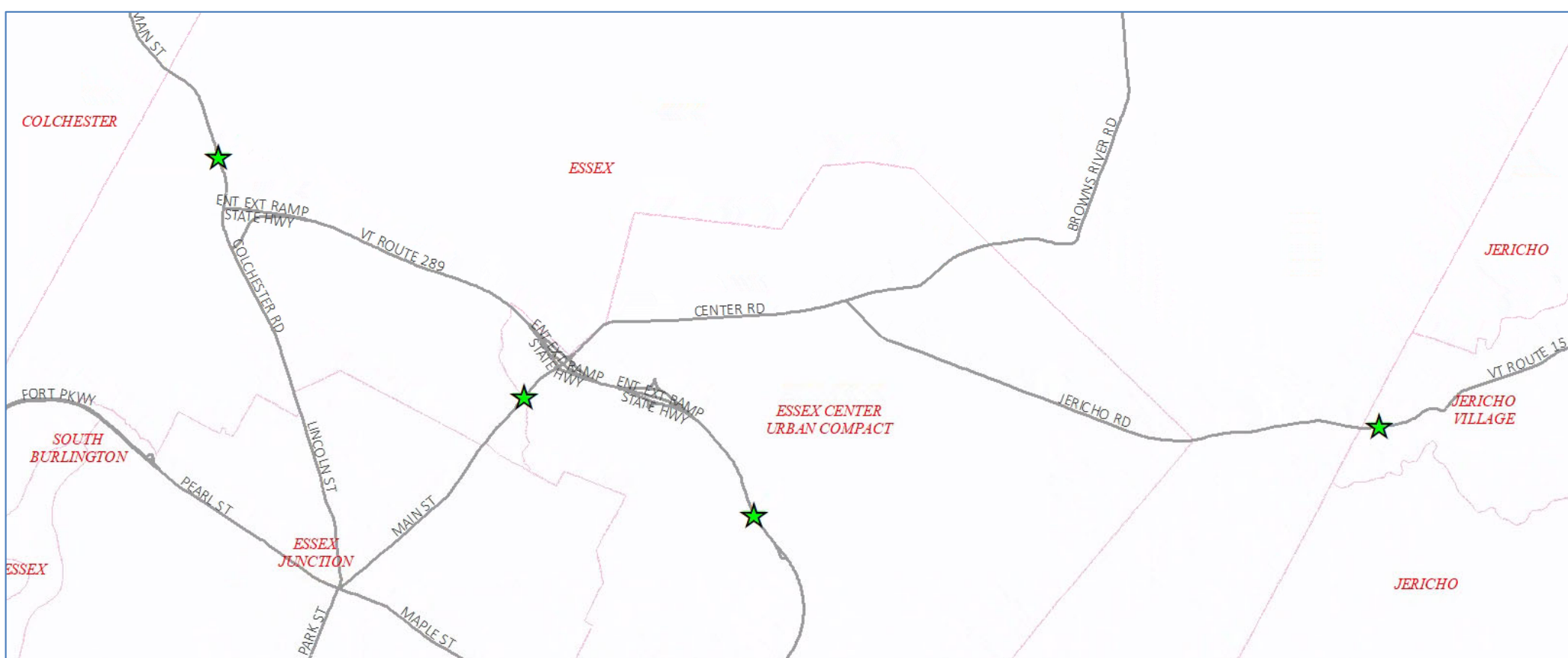
- Identify resources & constraints
- Evaluate alternatives
- Public participation
- Build Consensus

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



# Location Map

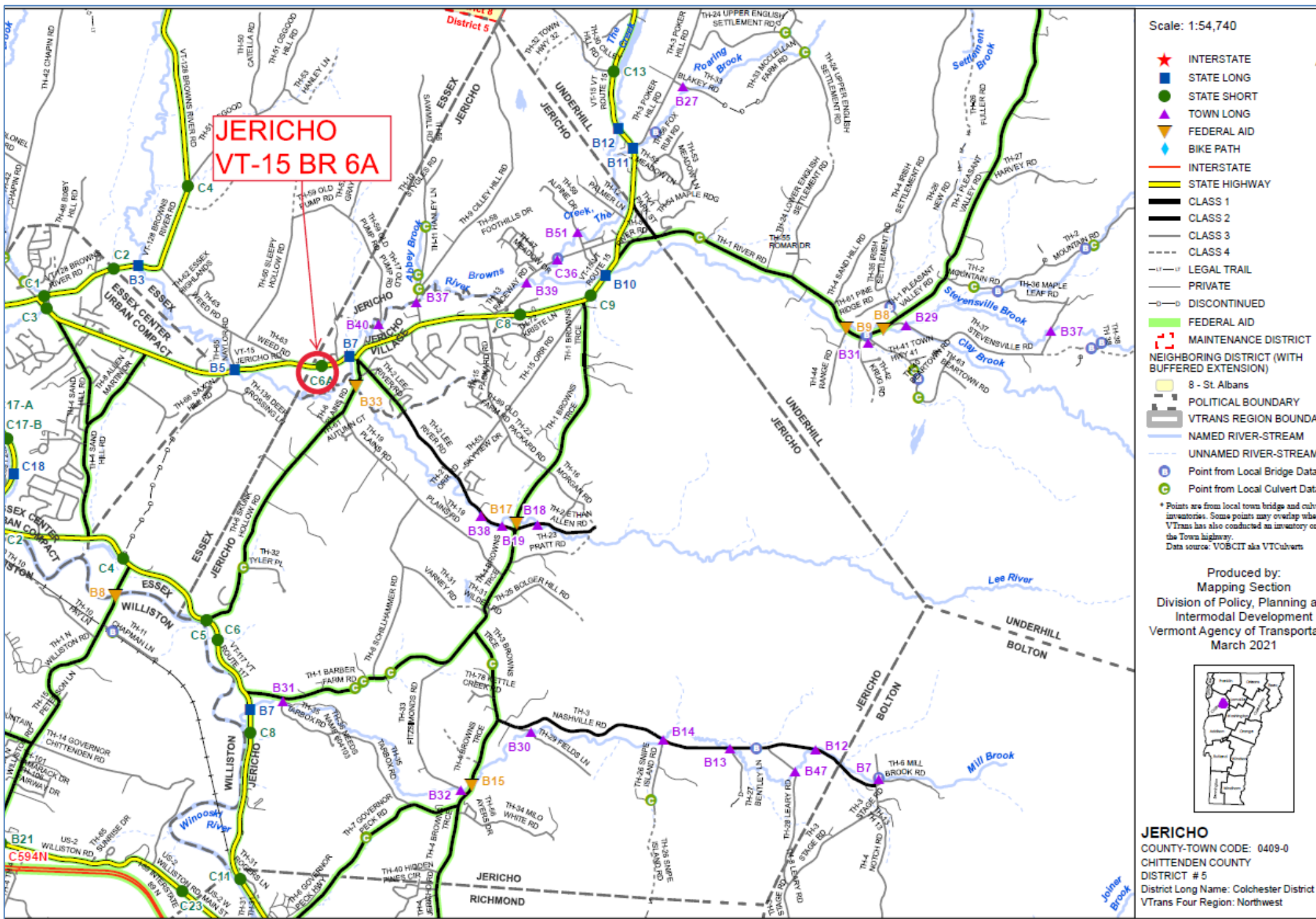
- ESSEX TOWN STP CULV(148) 23B688, Bridge 11 on VT Route 2A
- ESSEX TOWN STP CULV(149) 23B689, Bridge 2 on VT Route 15
- JERICHO STP CULV(150) 23B690, Bridge 6A on VT Route 15
- ESSEX TOWN NH CULV(151) 23B691, Bridge 17-A on VT Route 289





# Jericho STP CULV(150)

**JERICO VT ROUTE 15, BRIDGE 6A OVER UNNAMED BROOK**



Location Map





Mountain View Rd

Mountain

Mountain View Rd

Bridge 6-A

Jericho Rd

15

no Rd



Looking West



## Existing Conditions – Bridge #6A

- Roadway Classification – Principal Arterial
- Bridge Type – 6' Asphalt Coated Corrugated Galvanized Muilt Plate Pipe (ACCGMPP)
- Ownership – State of Vermont
- Unknown construction year



## Looking East



### Existing Conditions – Bridge #6A

- Aerial utilities: Comcast, Consolidated Communications, and Green Mountain Power
- Underground utilities: Jericho Village Water System, Vermont Gas Systems
- All utilities run parallel to VT15 on the north side of the roadway

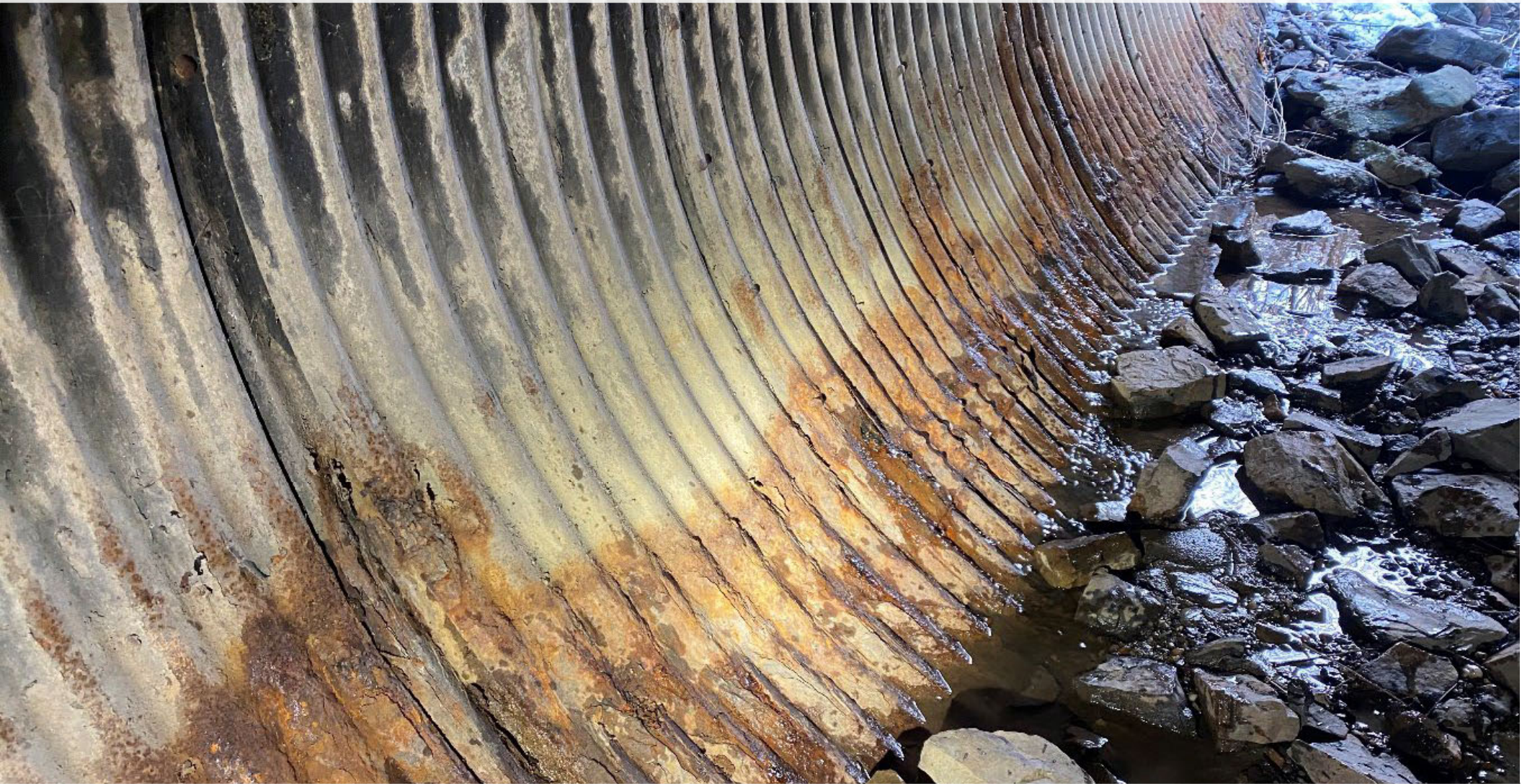


# Existing Site Conditions – Bridge #6A

- The culvert is in poor condition. There is heavy rust scaling and pitting which has led to small perforations along the haunches in the first half of the barrel. Moderate distortion throughout the pipe has allowed for small gaps along connection joints leading to minor piping. The invert is covered with gravel, and is in poor condition.
- The existing culvert meets VTrans hydraulics standards and meets bankfull width.
- VT Route 15 has substandard shoulder widths along the VT Route 15 corridor through the project area.



## Bridge Inspection Report Ratings



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A

- Culvert Rating 4 (Poor)
- Channel Rating 7 (Good)





Looking Upstream (North)



Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A

Google



Looking Downstream (South)



**Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A**

Inlet



Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A



Outlet



Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A



Culvert Barrel (Facing Upstream)



Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A

Heavy Corrosion along Eastern Wall near Upstream



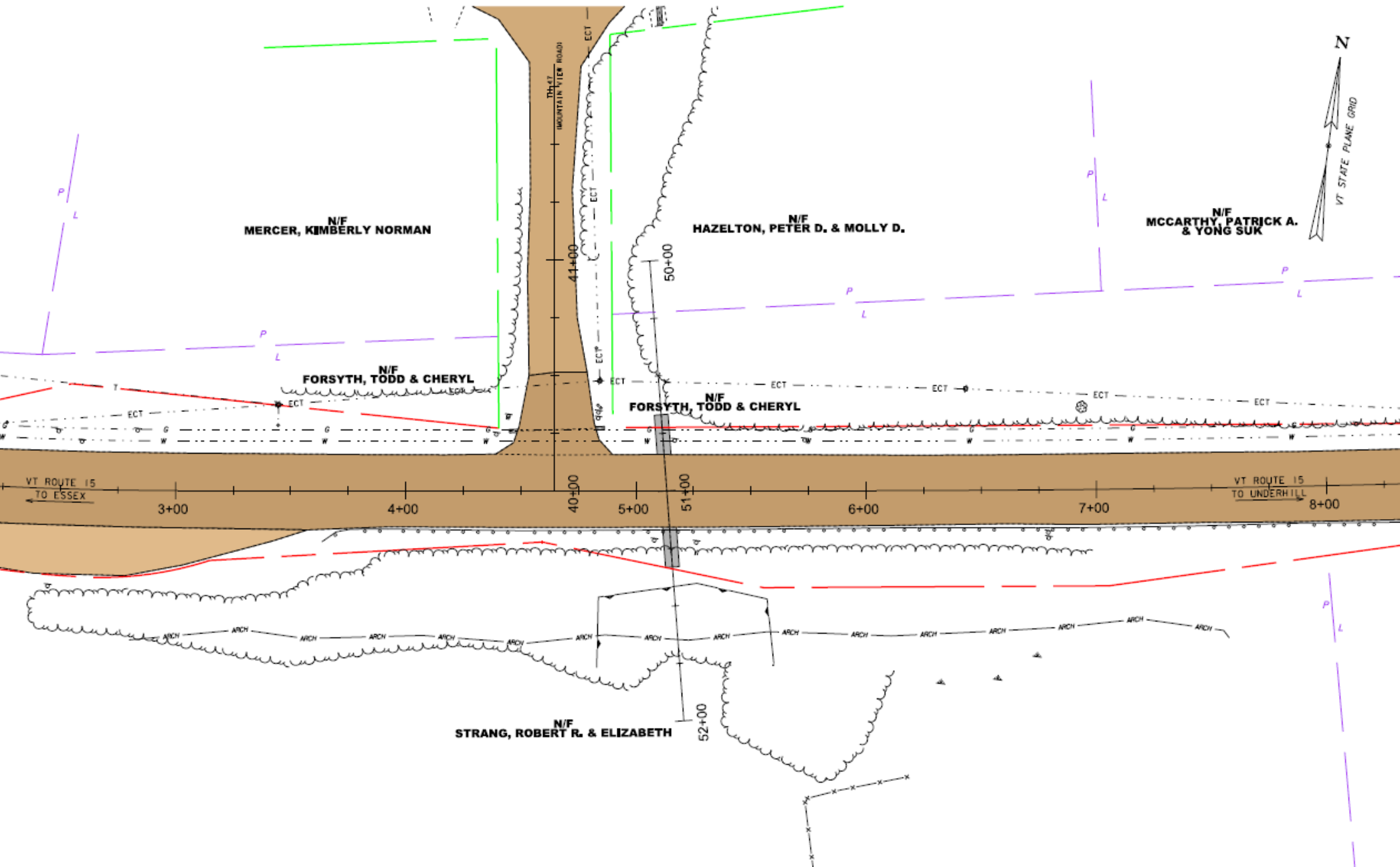
Existing Conditions - Bridge #6A

# Existing Resources – Bridge #6A

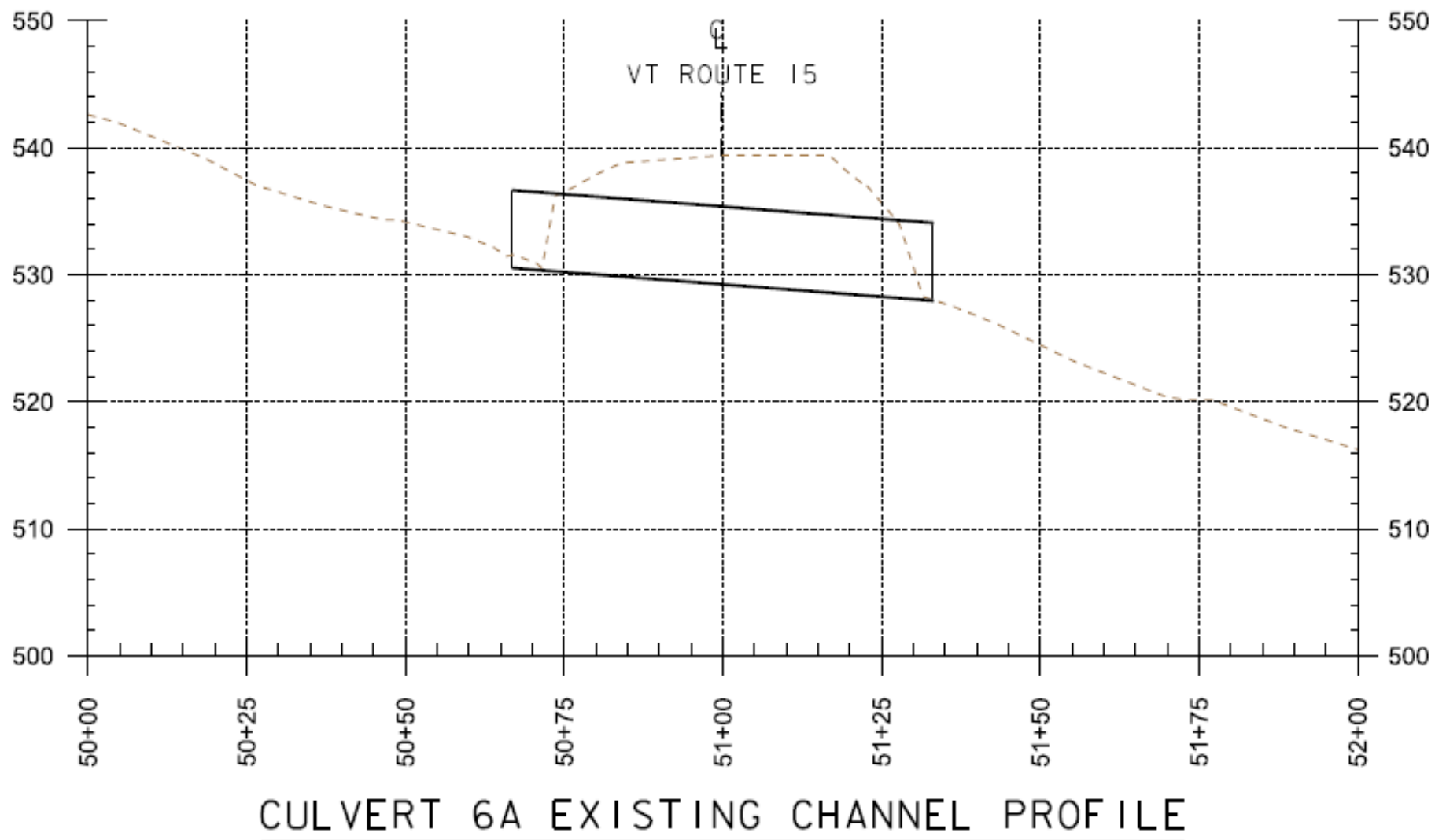
- Wetland complexes are mapped on the outlet end (south side of VT Route 15) of the culvert within the study area.
- Historic Resources – BR6A is not historic
- Archeological – one area of archeological sensitivity to the south located on an outwash plain above a floodplain of the Winooski River
- Wildlife Habitat – None of the wildlife habitat components were identified as priority or highest priority within the study area



# Existing Conditions – Layout



# Existing Conditions – Profile



# Design Criteria and Considerations

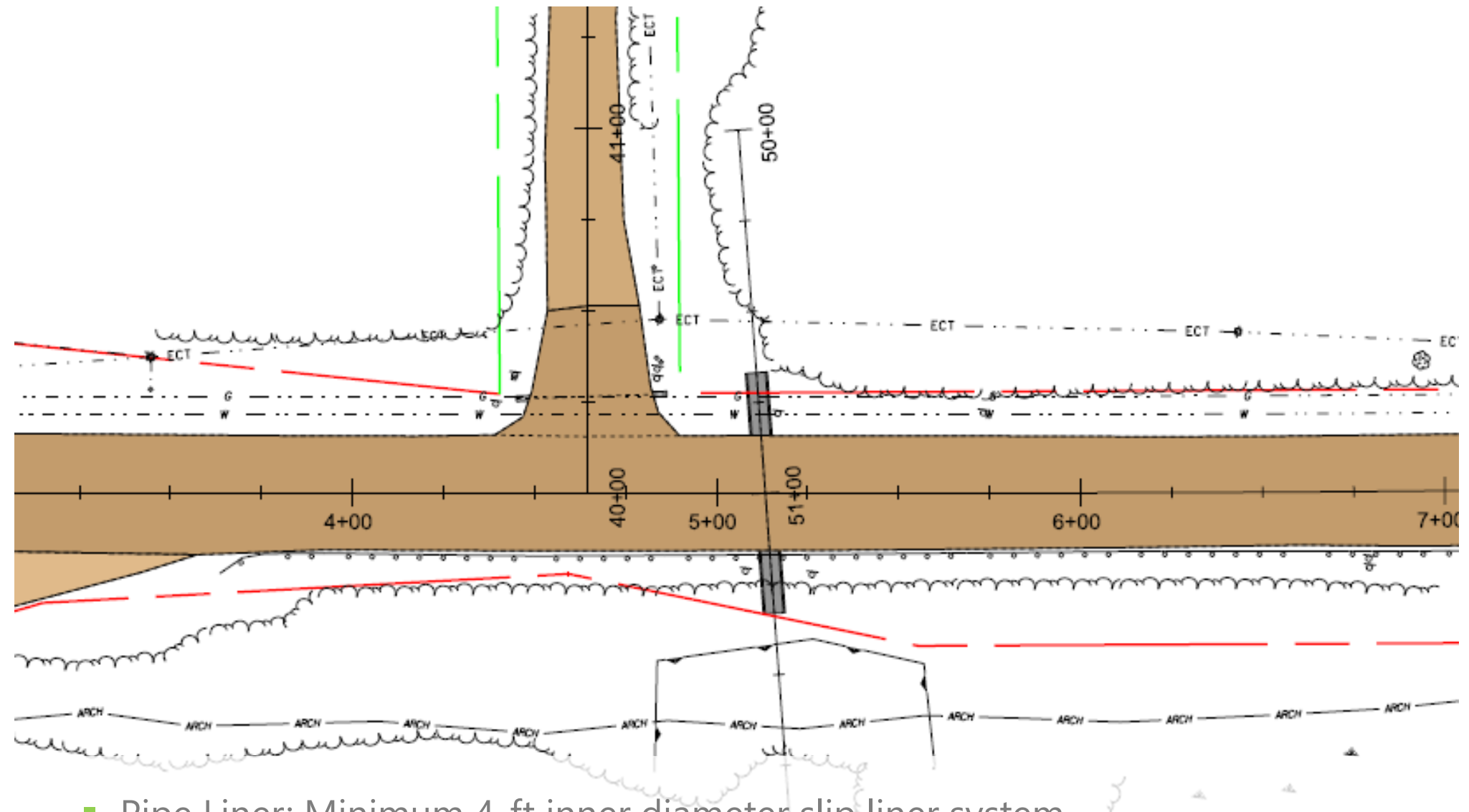
- Average Daily Traffic
  - 10,482 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
  - 1,200 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
  - 8.7%



# Alternatives Considered – Bridge #6A

- No Action
  - Additional maintenance required within 10 years
- Culvert Rehabilitation – Pipe Liner
  - Minimum 4-ft inner diameter pipe liner
  - Meets VTrans hydraulic standards
  - Estimated 50-year design life
- Culvert Rehabilitation – Spray-On Liner
  - Meets VTrans hydraulic standards
  - Estimated 30-year design life
- Culvert Replacement – CPEP Structure
  - Proposed 3-ft diameter Corrugated polyethylene pipe
  - Meets VTrans hydraulic standards
  - 75-year design life

# Selected Alternative: Rehabilitation – Culvert Liner



- Pipe Liner: Minimum 4-ft inner diameter slip liner system
- Spray-On Liner: polymer-enhanced cement mortar liner recommended
- Substandard shoulder widths through VT 15 corridor
- Meets minimum hydraulics standards
- Design Life; approx. 30 to 50 years



# Recommended Alternative - Bridge #6A

- Rehabilitate the existing culvert with a Round Pipe Slip Liner system while maintaining traffic on the existing culvert
  - Minimum 4-foot inside diameter slip liner system
  - Minimum hydraulic standards will be met
  - Substandard shoulder widths along the VT Route 15 corridor through the project area
  - Extends the life of the structure an additional 50 years
  - Possible temporary lane or shoulder closures for mobilizing construction equipment and managing truck traffic



# Jericho STP CULV(150) Questions and Comments

**JERICO VT ROUTE 15, BRIDGE 6A OVER UNNAMED BROOK**



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# ESSEX TOWN STP CULV(149)

## ESSEX VT ROUTE 15 BRIDGE 2 OVER INDIAN BROOK







# Aerial View



Bridge 2



Looking Northeast



## Existing Conditions – Bridge #2

- Roadway Classification – Principal Arterial (NHS)
- Bridge Type – 8' Span Concrete Box Culvert
- Ownership – State of Vermont
- Unknown construction year



## Looking Southwest



### Existing Conditions – Bridge #2

- Aerial utilities (electric, communications, and telephone) run parallel to VT15 on the northwest side
- Underground utilities (gas, sewer, fiberoptics) run parallel to VT15 on the southeast side



## Bridge Inspection Report Ratings



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #2

- Culvert Rating 4 (Poor)
- Channel Rating 7 (Good)



## Culvert Barrel – Timber Bracing



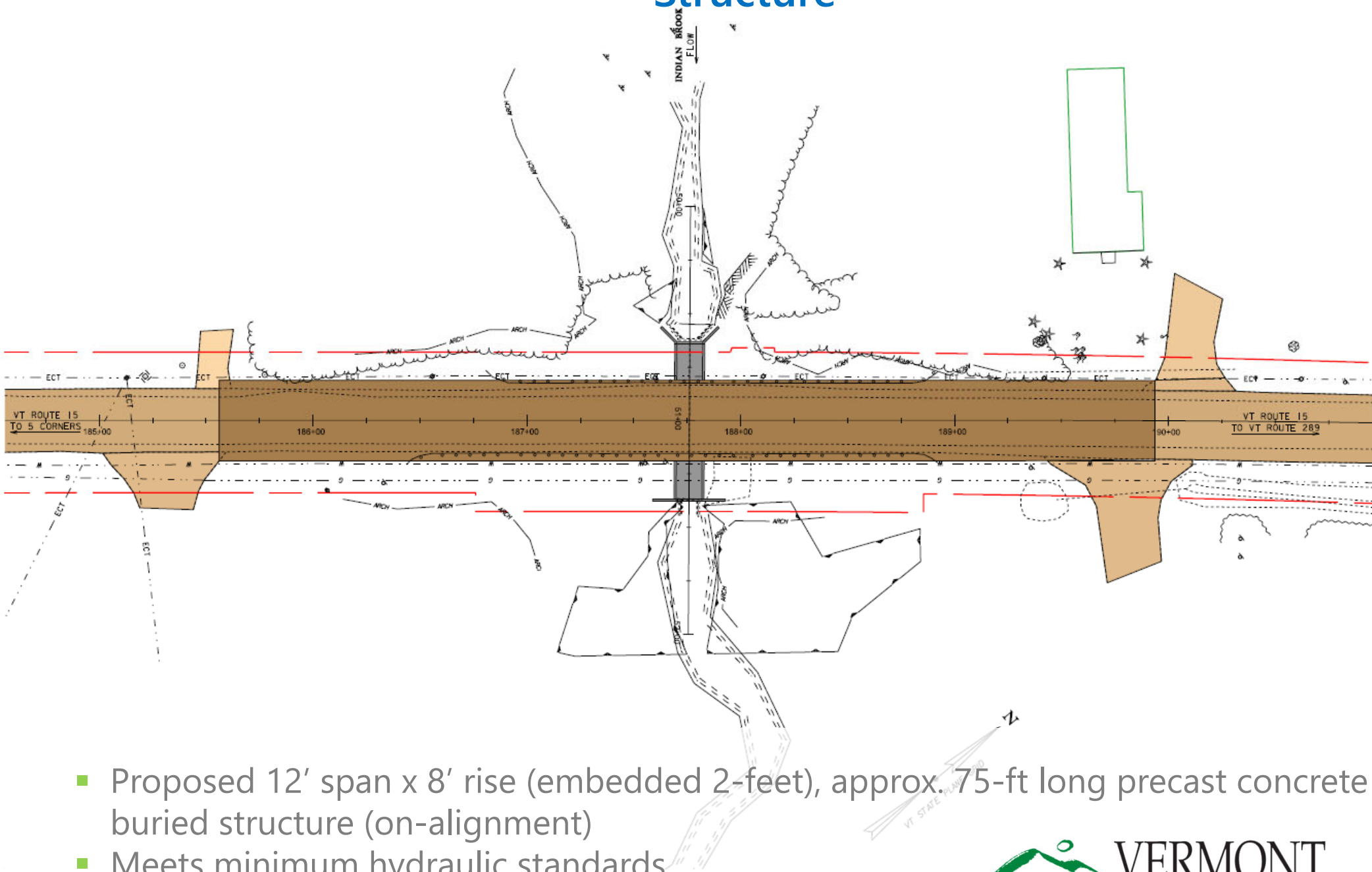
**Existing Conditions - Bridge #2**

# Design Criteria and Considerations

- Average Daily Traffic
  - 11,692 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
  - 1,467 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
  - 3.5%



# Selected Alternative: Culvert Replacement with Buried Structure



- Proposed 12' span x 8' rise (embedded 2-feet), approx. 75-ft long precast concrete buried structure (on-alignment)
- Meets minimum hydraulic standards
- Design Life; 75 years

# Maintenance of Traffic Options Considered

- Offsite Detour
- Phased Construction
- Temporary Bridge



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

ROAD  
CLOSED

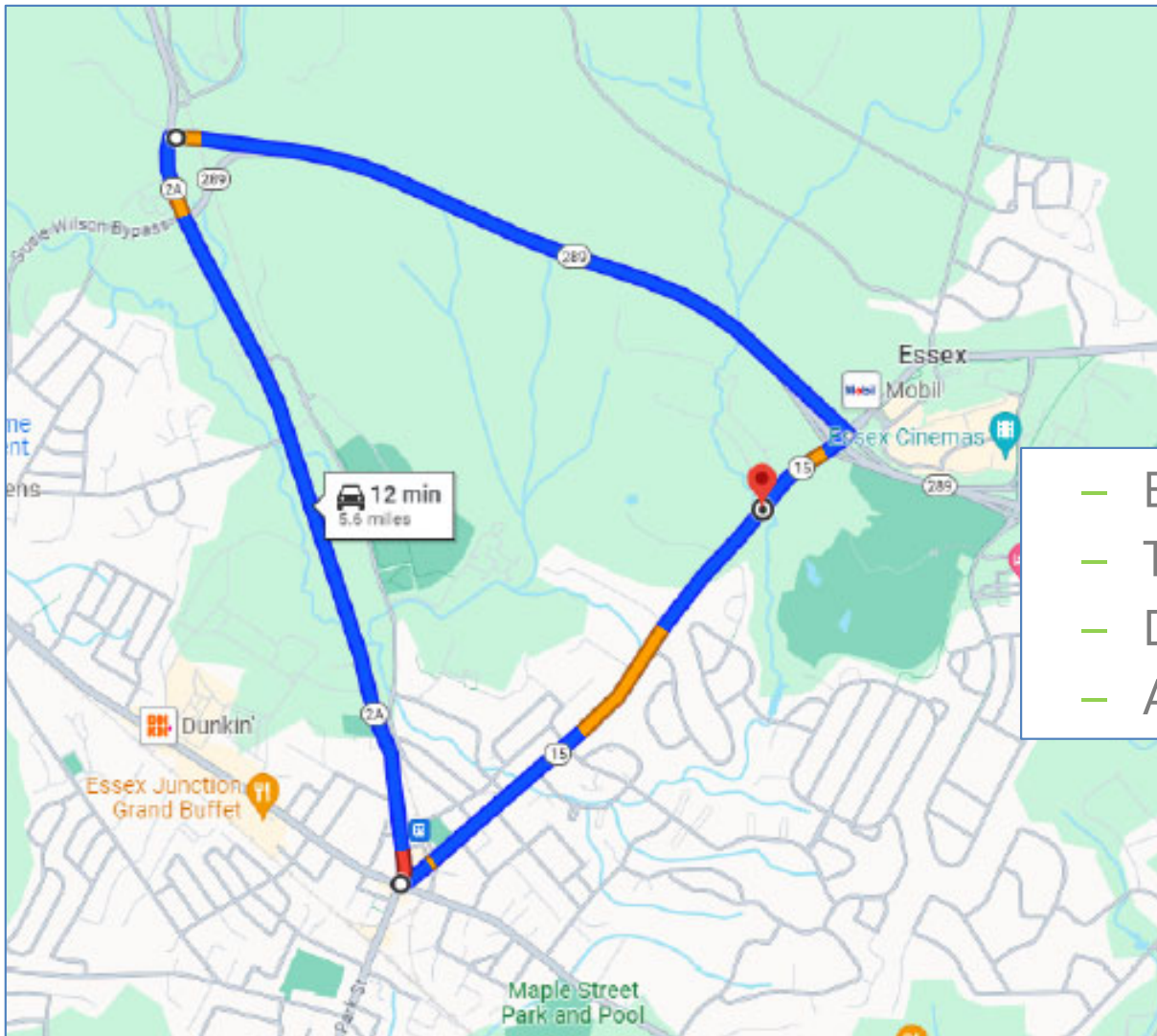
## Road Closure

- Detour chosen and signed by State
- Accelerated weekend closure
- Shortest Detour Route is 5.6 miles end-to-end



# Traffic Control – Shortest Detour Option

- **Regional #1 Detour Route:** VT Route 15, to VT Route 289, to VT Route 2A, back to VT Route 15



- End-to-End Distance: 5.6 miles
- Through Distance: 1.6 miles
- Detour Distance: 4.0 miles
- Added Distance: 2.4 miles



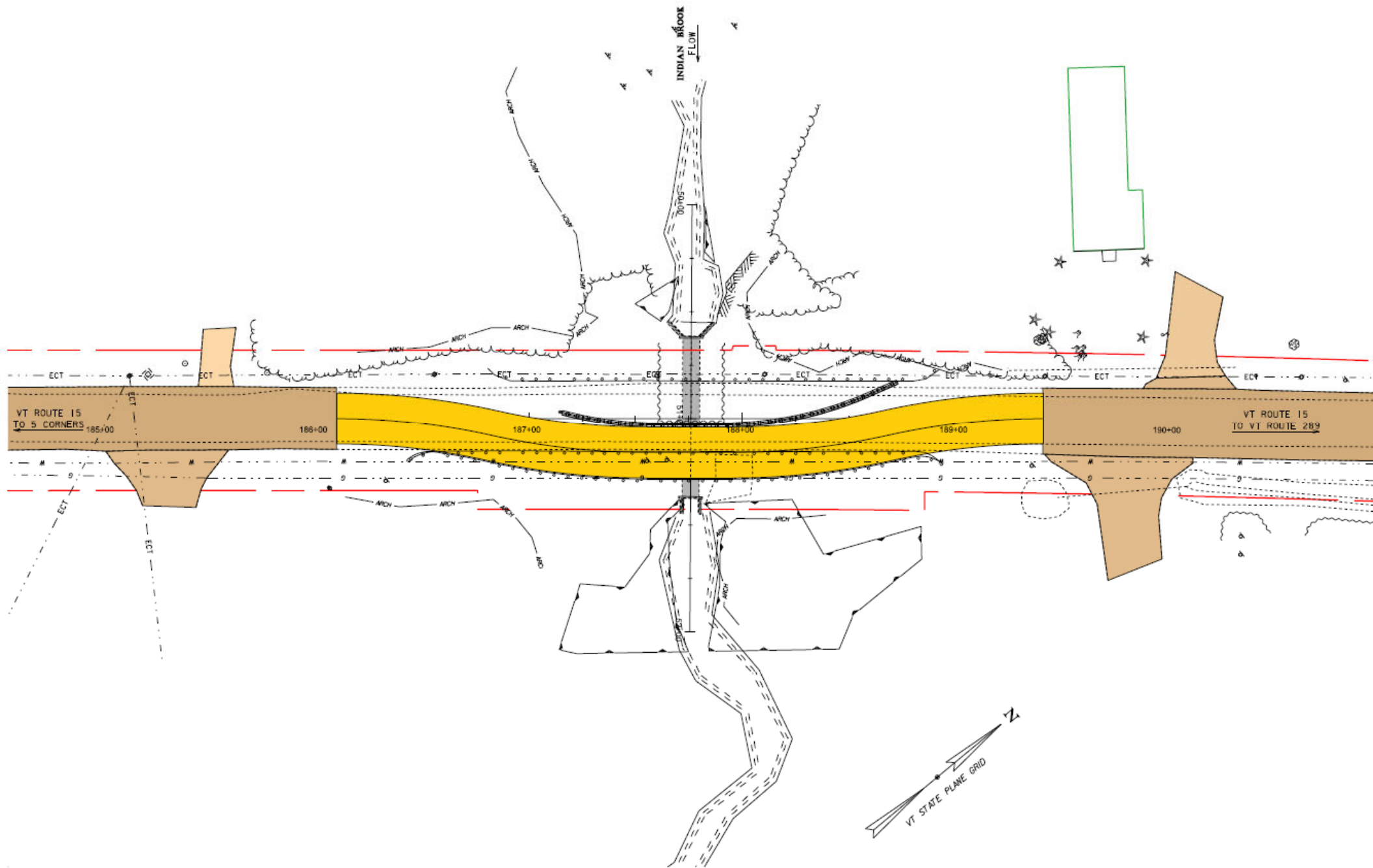


## Phased Construction

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

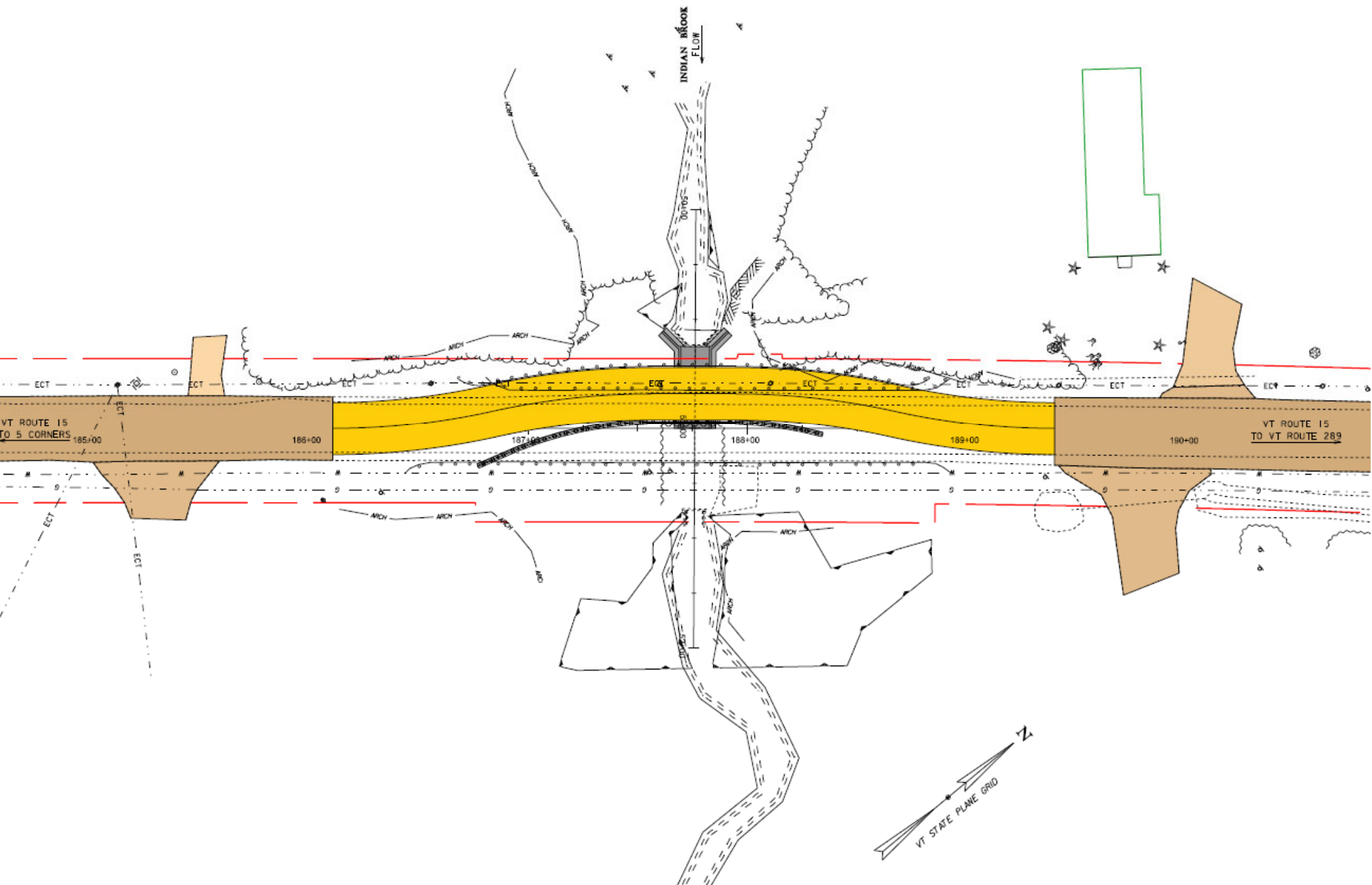


# Phased Construction Layout 1





# Phased Construction Layout 2



# Recommended Alternative - Bridge #2

- Replace the existing culvert with a new 3-sided or 4-sided Precast Concrete Buried Structure
  - Traffic will be maintained via phased construction and/or an offsite detour, or a combination of the two in order to keep the corridor partially open during construction to be determined in design
  - Impacts to utilities, environmental resources and cultural resources will be minimized by not constructing a temporary bridge
  - Proposed 12' span, 75' long precast concrete box or frame (on-alignment)
  - Proposed 12' span meets the minimum hydraulic standards and bank full width conditions
  - New culvert length designed to meet minimum roadway width standards
  - 75-year Design life





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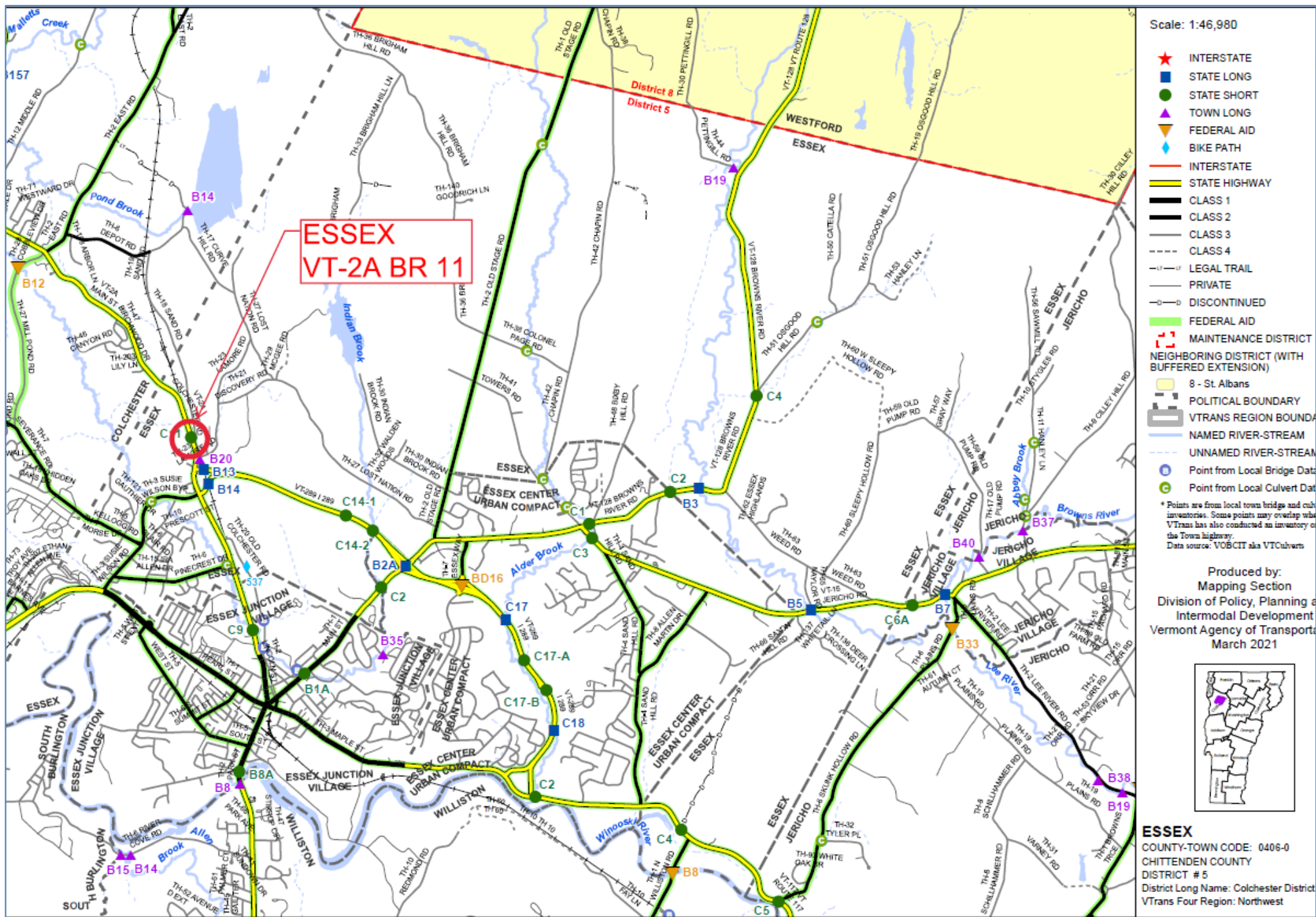
ESSEX VT ROUTE 2A, BRIDGE 11 OVER UNNAMED BROOK



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Location Map





Gentes Rd

Colby Rd

Gentes Rd

Vermont Estate  
Sales Services

Bridge 11



Looking North



## Existing Conditions – Bridge #11

- Roadway Classification – Minor Arterial (National Highway System)
- Bridge Type – 6'x6' Single Span RC Concrete Box Culvert
- Ownership – State of Vermont
- Constructed in 1934



## Bridge Inspection Report Ratings



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #11

- Culvert Rating 4 (Poor)
- Channel Rating 5 (Fair)



## Failed Wingwall



**Existing Conditions - Bridge #11**



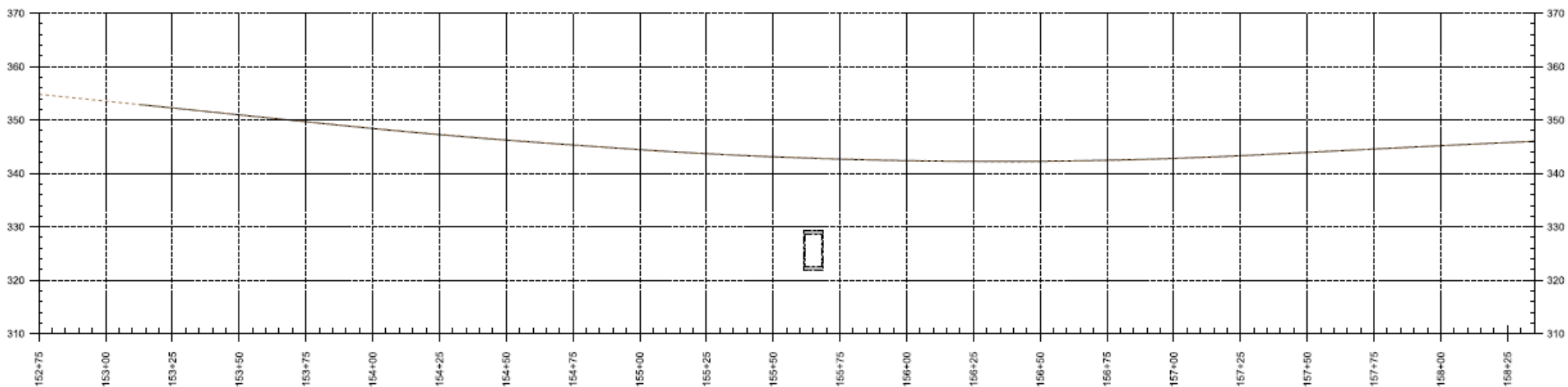
3ft of Backfill Sediment Loss in Spalled Area



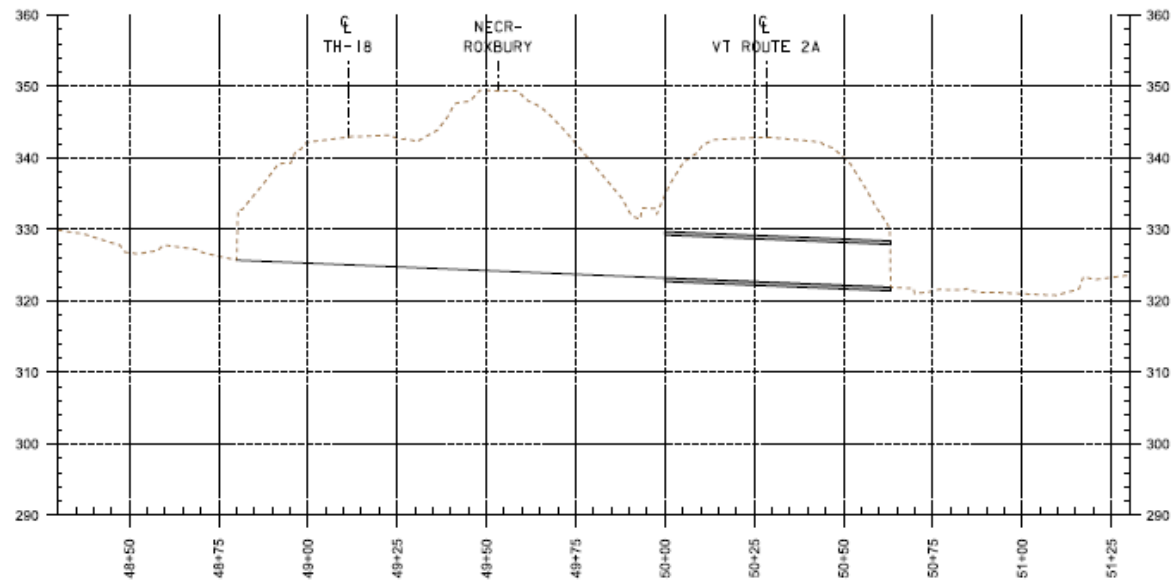
Existing Conditions - Bridge #11



# Existing Conditions – Profile



VT ROUTE 2A EXISTING PROFILE



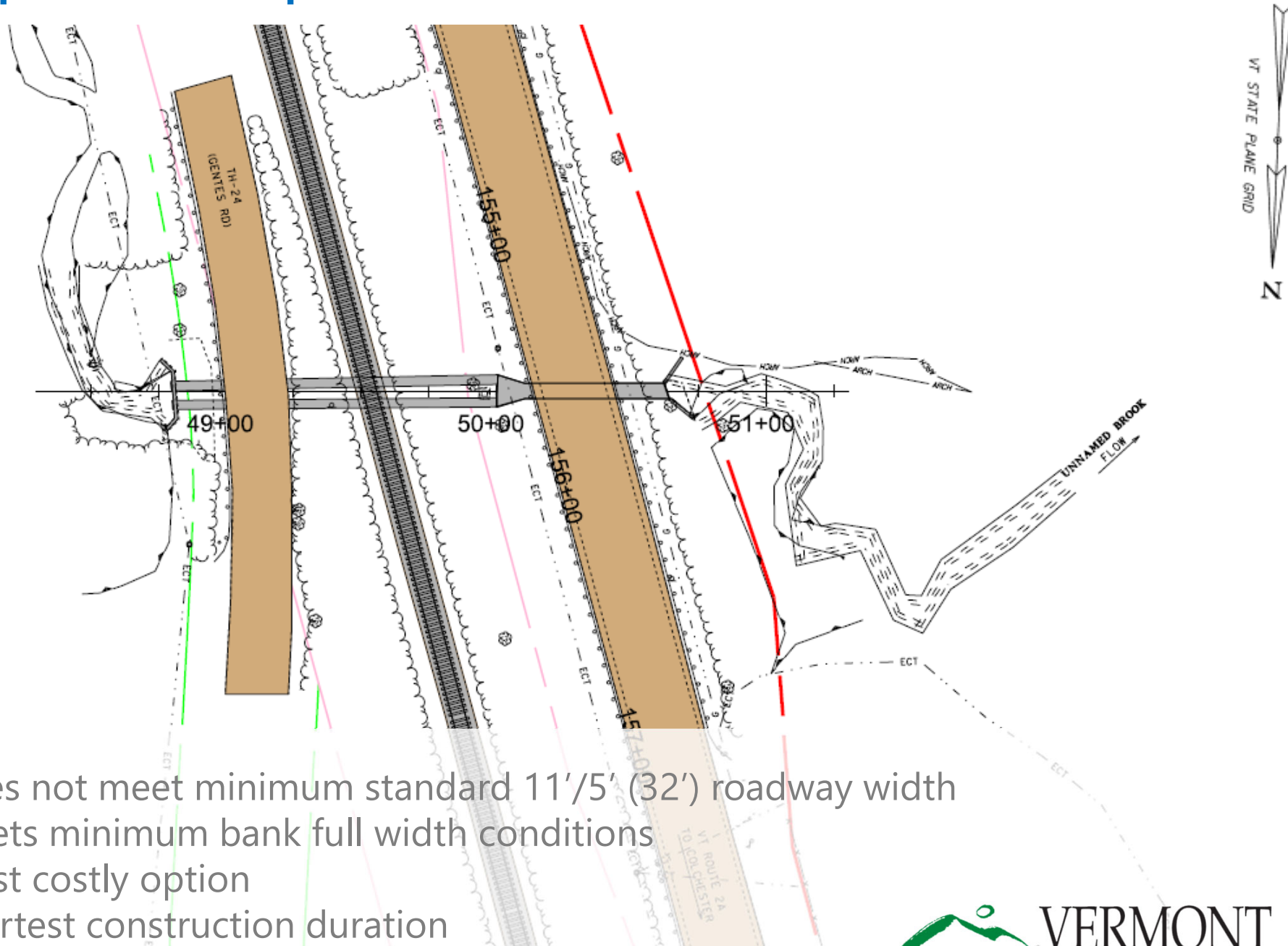
BRIDGE II EXISTING CHANNEL PROFILE

# Design Criteria and Considerations

- Average Daily Traffic
  - 10,683 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
  - 1,200 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
  - 4.9%



# Selected Alternative: Culvert Rehabilitation – Concrete Repair and Slope Work



- Does not meet minimum standard 11'5' (32') roadway width
- Meets minimum bank full width conditions
- Least costly option
- Shortest construction duration
- Design Life; approx. 30 years

# Recommended Alternative - Bridge #11

- Rehabilitate the existing culvert with Class III concrete repair and slope stabilization work while maintaining traffic on the existing culvert with temporary lane closures as needed.
  - Class III concrete repair and slope stabilization work including new wingwalls and headwall, and armoring side slopes
  - Minimum hydraulic standard and bank full width conditions will be met
  - Temporary lane or shoulder closures as needed in order to mobilize/demobilize construction equipment or manage truck traffic
  - Extends the life of the structure an additional 30 years





# ESSEX TOWN STP CULV(148)

## Questions and Comments

**ESSEX VT ROUTE 2A, BRIDGE 11 OVER UNNAMED BROOK**





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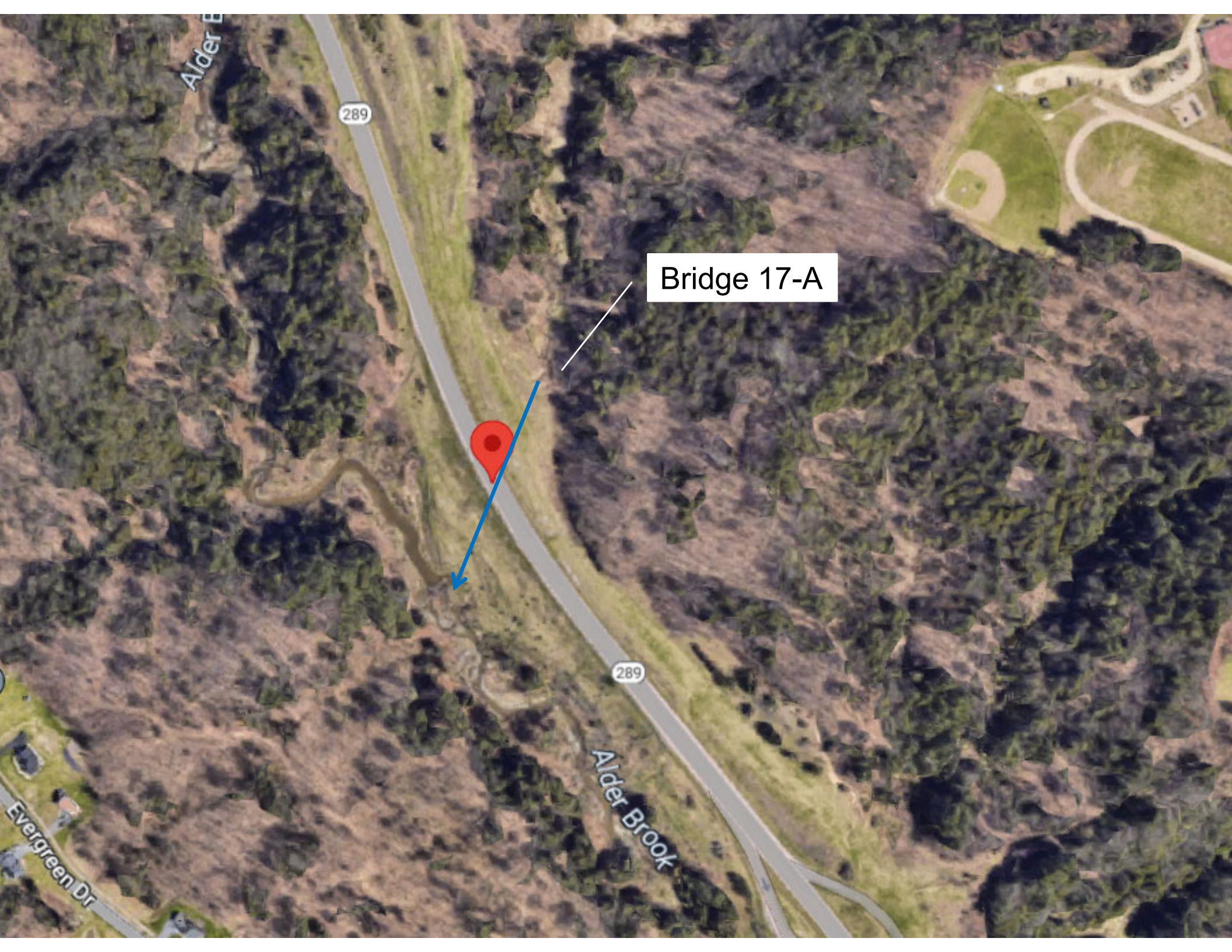
**ESSEX TOWN NH CULV(151)**

**VT ROUTE 289, BRIDGE 17A OVER UNNAMED BROOK**









Bridge 17-A

289

289

Alder Brook

Alder B

Evergreen Dr



## Looking Northwest



### Existing Conditions – Bridge #17A

- Roadway Classification – Other Principal Arterial (National Highway System)
- Bridge Type – 7' Corrugated Galvanized Metal Plate Pipe (CGMPP)
- Ownership – State of Vermont
- Constructed in 1993



## Bridge Inspection Report Ratings



### Existing Conditions - Bridge #17A

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- Culvert Rating 5 (Fair)
- Channel Rating 7 (Good)



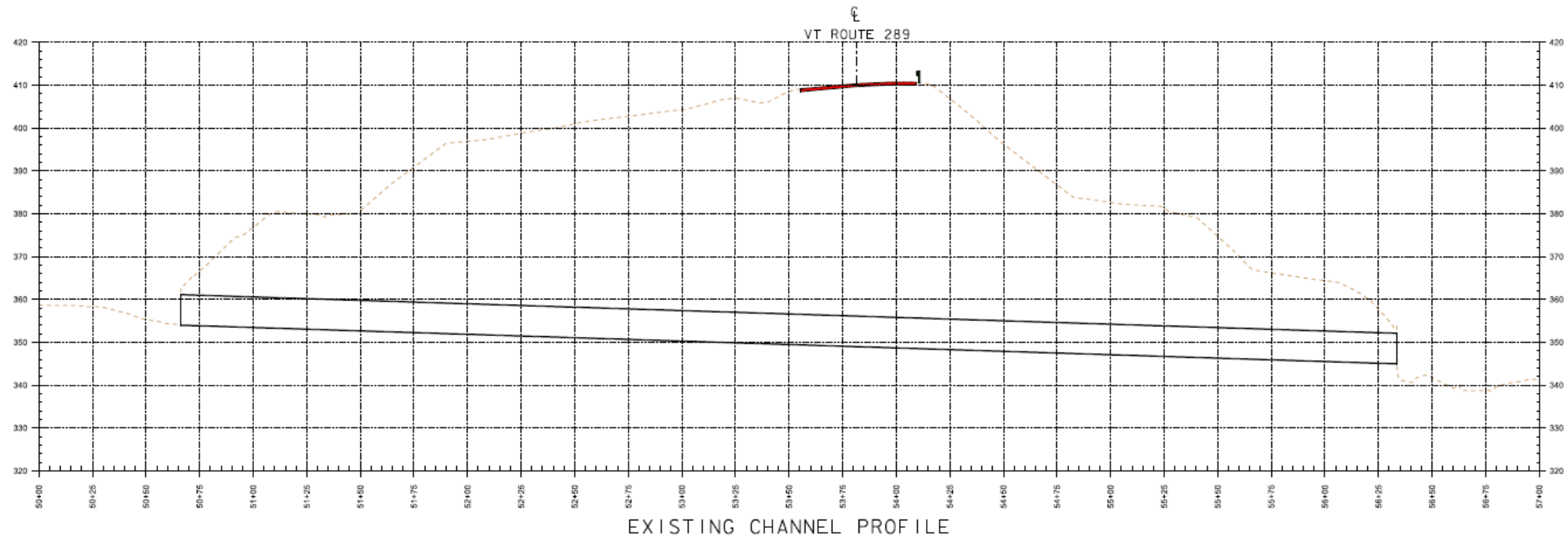
## Culvert Barrel



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Existing Conditions - Bridge #17A

# Existing Conditions – Profile



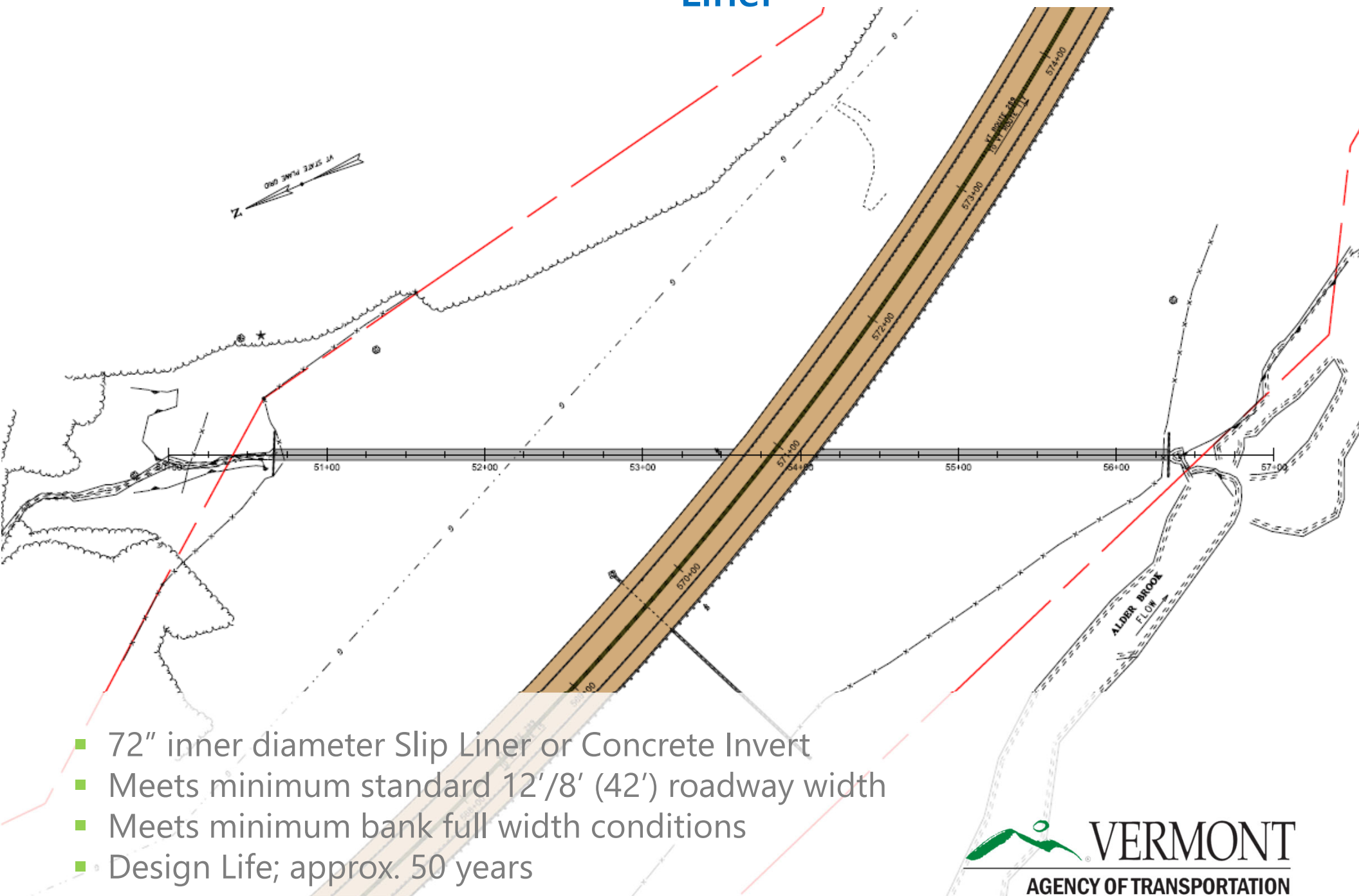
- 56' fill over Inlet
- 65' fill over Outlet



# Design Criteria and Considerations

- Average Daily Traffic
  - 5,351 vehicles per day
- Design Hourly Volume
  - 660 vehicles per hour
- % Trucks
  - 4.7%

# Selected Alternative: Culvert Rehabilitation – Invert or Slip Liner





# Recommended Alternative - Bridge #17A

- Rehabilitate the existing culvert with a slip liner or concrete invert while maintaining traffic on the existing culvert
  - Possible temporary lane or shoulder closures for mobilizing construction equipment and managing truck traffic
  - Meets Minimum hydraulic standard and bank full width
  - 8'/12'/12'/8' roadway typical meets minimum standard width
  - Extends the life of the structure an additional 50 years





**ESSEX TOWN NH CULV(151)**

**Questions and Comments**

**VT ROUTE 289, BRIDGE 17A OVER UNNAMED BROOK**

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# Preliminary Project Schedule and Summary

- Construction Start – Summer 2026, Multi-Year Project
- Essex Bridge 2 on VT Route 15: Full bridge replacement with traffic maintained via phased construction and/or an offsite detour, or a combination of the two

<https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/VTRANS/external/Projects/Structures/23B689>

- Essex Bridge 17A on VT Route 289: Culvert rehabilitation with minimal impacts to traffic

<https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/VTRANS/external/Projects/Structures/23B691>

- Essex Bridge 11 on VT Route 2A: Rehabilitation limited to the State-owned portion of the culvert with short term lane closures for access

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- Jericho Bridge 6A on VT Route 15: Culvert slip liner with temporary lane closures and minimal impacts to traffic

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