# **Public Involvement Meeting Handout**

V Bloomington – T Little Grant WIS 35 to County J County A Grant County

**Project ID: 5615-00-05** 



March 17, 2021 2:00 – 4:00 PM Grant County Administration Building, Room 266

# Purpose of the meeting

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation though the Local Roads Program and Grant County are proposing to reconstruct County A from WIS 35 to approximately 1.2 miles west of County J and replace bridge structure P-22-915 at the crossing of a tributary to Blake Fork. The project is located in Sections 24 and 25, T5N, R5W, Town of Bloomington and Sections 19, 20, and 30, T5N, R4W, Town of Little Grant, Grant County, Wisconsin.

The existing roadway is a two lane rural county highway consisting of 12 foot driving lanes and 2 to 4 foot unpaved shoulders. The proposed roadway will be built with 12 foot driving lanes and 3 foot shoulders. The project will reconstruct County A to current design standards and remove and replace an existing single span structure built in 1941. The roadway has a speed limit of 25 mph with the Village of Bloomington limits and 55 mph for the remainder of the project. The design class for this road is C1 and has a minimum design speed of 40 mph. County A will be closed during the construction of this project but will be open to local traffic.

### **Purpose**

This project is safety driven and is funded with a large percentage of federal funds. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve roadway safety by:

- Removing and replacing existing structure
- New guardrail to current standards
- New driving surface
- New permanent signing
- Roadway and bridge designed to current standards

#### Need

The project is needed because the existing structure is at the end of its service life. The existing structure is structurally deficient and needs to be replaced. The existing structure requires supplemental maintenance as the condition of the structure continually deteriorates over time necessitating the need for additional maintenance funding. The existing roadway is in poor condition and need to be replaced in addition to the existing alignment not meeting current design standards.

An Operational Planning Meeting was held with local officials and agencies on March 17, 2021.

The purpose of this Public Informational Meeting is to obtain public input into the proposed improvements.

# **Project information**

WisDOT is proposing to improve approximately 14,440 feet (2.735 miles) of County A. The proposed design speed for the project is 40 mph. The 2023 construction Average Daily Traffic (ADT) is 280 vehicles per day and the 2043 design ADT is 420 vehicles per day. Proposed improvements include: reconstruction County A to current design standards, removing and replacing the existing bridge, new guardrail, new roadway surface, and new permanent signing.

The proposed structure will be a single span flat slab structure supported on type A-5 pile encased abutments and tubular railing Type M, with a 15° R.H.F. skew and a normal 2% crown across the structure, an overall length of 42.6 feet, and a clear roadway width of 30.0 feet.

These improvements will increase overall safety of the roadway.

The environmental document for this project will be submitted on June 1, 2021. The project was investigated for Archaeological and Historical on December 10, 2020 by Commonwealth Heritage Group. No historical or archaeological sites were identified.

<u>Estimated Construction Costs</u> – Please note that construction costs are only an estimate. As final plans are developed, the estimate will be updated. Final costs will depend on the results of the bid letting.

Approximate Construction Cost: \$5,000,000 - \$5,999,999

Federal: 80%

Local (County): 20%

# **Proposed traffic impacts**

Construction is scheduled to begin in Spring 2023.

During construction, County A will be closed to through traffic (local traffic only). The roadway construction will be staged to allow local traffic to utilize the existing roadway to access the Bloomington Livestock Exchange.

Temporary driveway closures will be necessary during parts of the construction process. Grant County will contact homeowners and businesses in advance before closing a driveway.

Construction is currently scheduled for completion in late Summer 2023.

#### Real estate

Additional right of way will be required for this project. Preliminary right of way impacts are shown on the exhibits. Grant county expects to begin real estate acquisition in September 2021.

# Project update/next steps

PS&E to Region	May 15, 2022
PS&E to Central Office	August 1, 2022
Project Letting Date	December 13, 2022

#### Agency Coordination to Date

# **State Historical Society of Wisconsin**

The state and local historical societies have been contacted regarding this subject. Their responses will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

#### **Department of Natural Resources**

The WisDNR has been contacted regarding this project. Their comments will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

The presence of the Blanchard's Cricket Frog is assumed in the project area or its vicinity. Daily removals will be conducted by a certified biologist of any Cricket Frogs found in the project area and vegetation will be trimmed to specifications.

#### **US Army Corps of Engineers**

The Corp will be contacted regarding this project. Their comments will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

#### **US Fish & Wildlife Service**

The FWS will be contacted regarding this project. Their comments will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

#### **Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection**

DATCP will be contacted regarding this project. Their comments will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

NRCS will be contacted regarding this project. Their comments will be included in the environmental document when they are received.

## **Grant County Zoning:**

A copy of the hydraulic information will be sent to the Grant County Zoning Department for their files.

#### **Utilities**

Alliant Energy, Charter Communications, WE Energies, Scenic River Energy Cooperative, WIN LLC, and Village of Bloomington have facilities in the project area.

## **Asbestos Inspection Report**

An Asbestos Inspection has been conducted for the removal of structure P-22-915. No asbestos containing materials were found on the existing bridge.

# **Public input/comments**

We encourage you to talk to the project representatives and ask them questions. The project comment form is for your written comments and input regarding the proposed project. Please mail any written comments about the project before March 31, 2021 or leave them in the comment box tonight. You can also e-mail your comments to the contacts listed below.

Your comments assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

For more information, please contact:

Fred Gruber, PE Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc. 560 Sunrise Drive Spring Green, WI 53588 608-588-7484 fred.gruber@jewellassoc.com

# **Public Involvement Meeting Comment Form**

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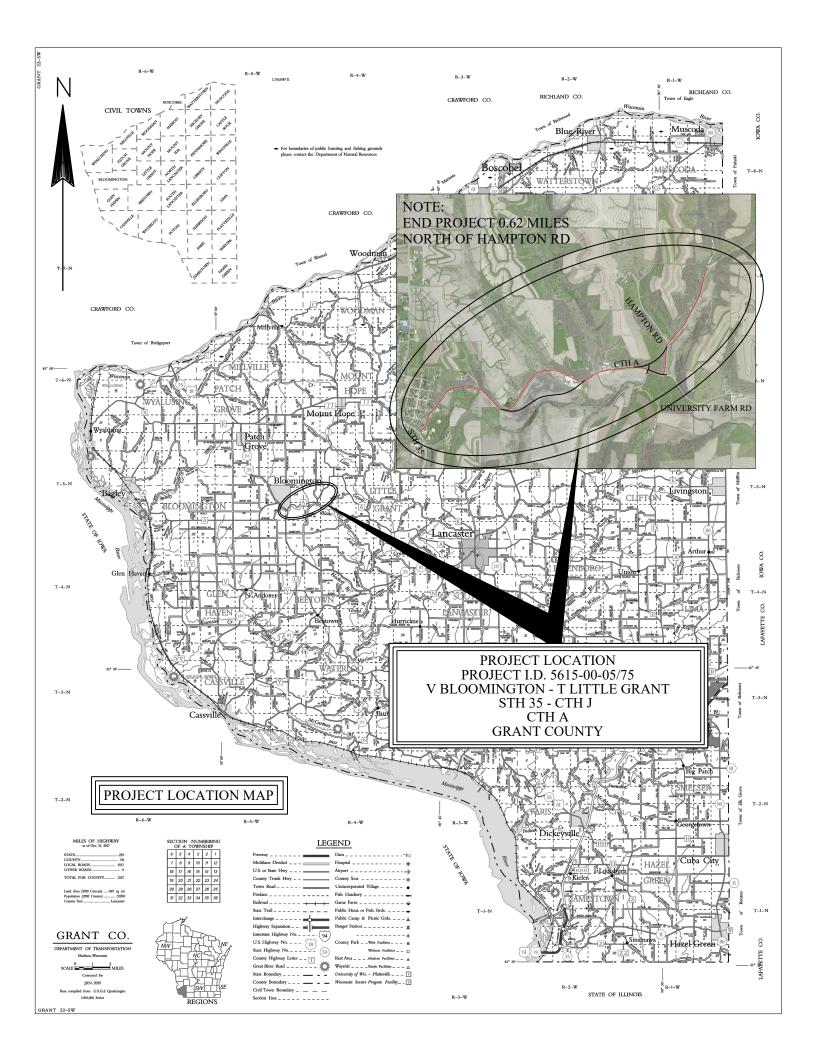
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Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)	
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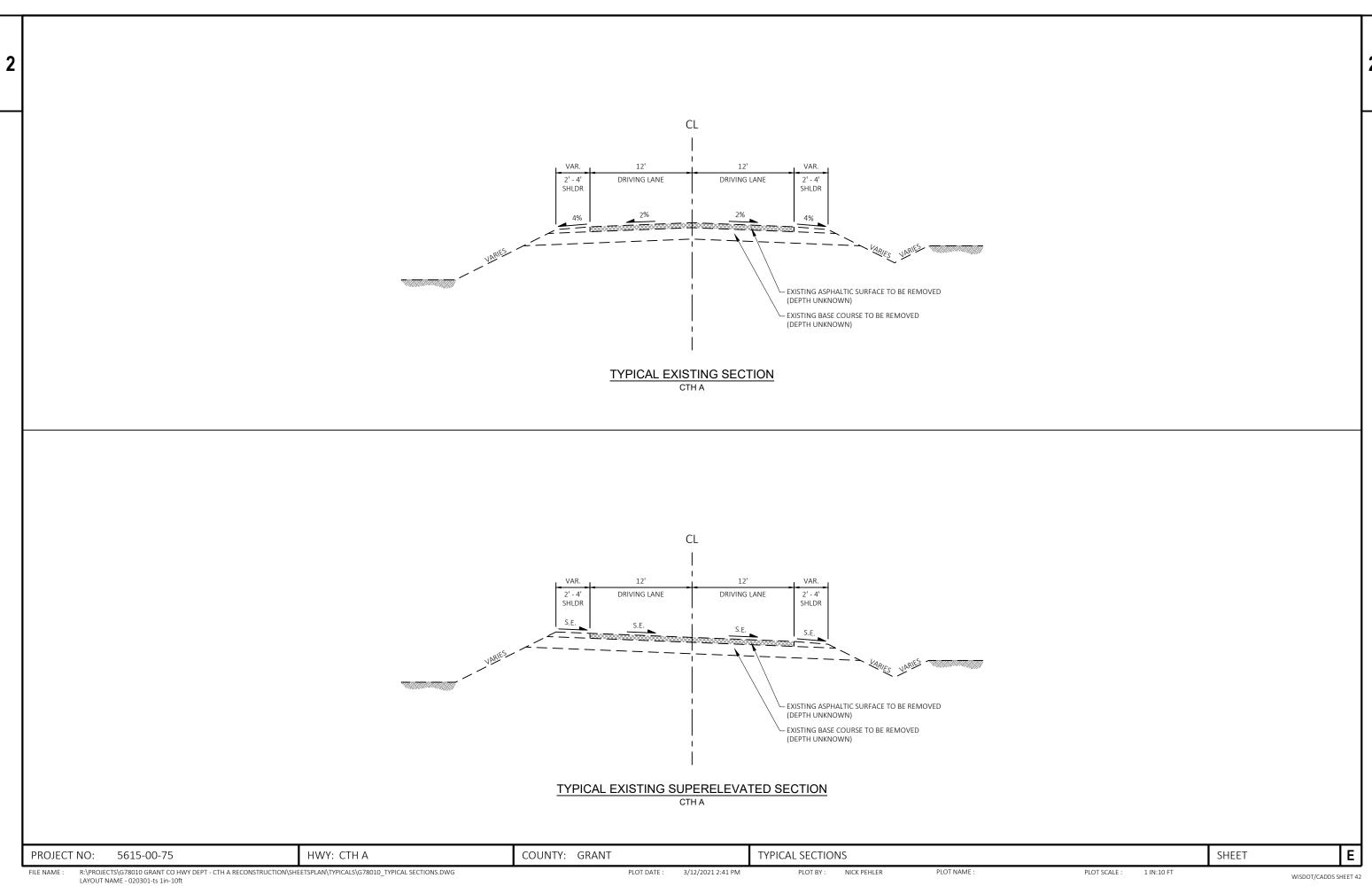
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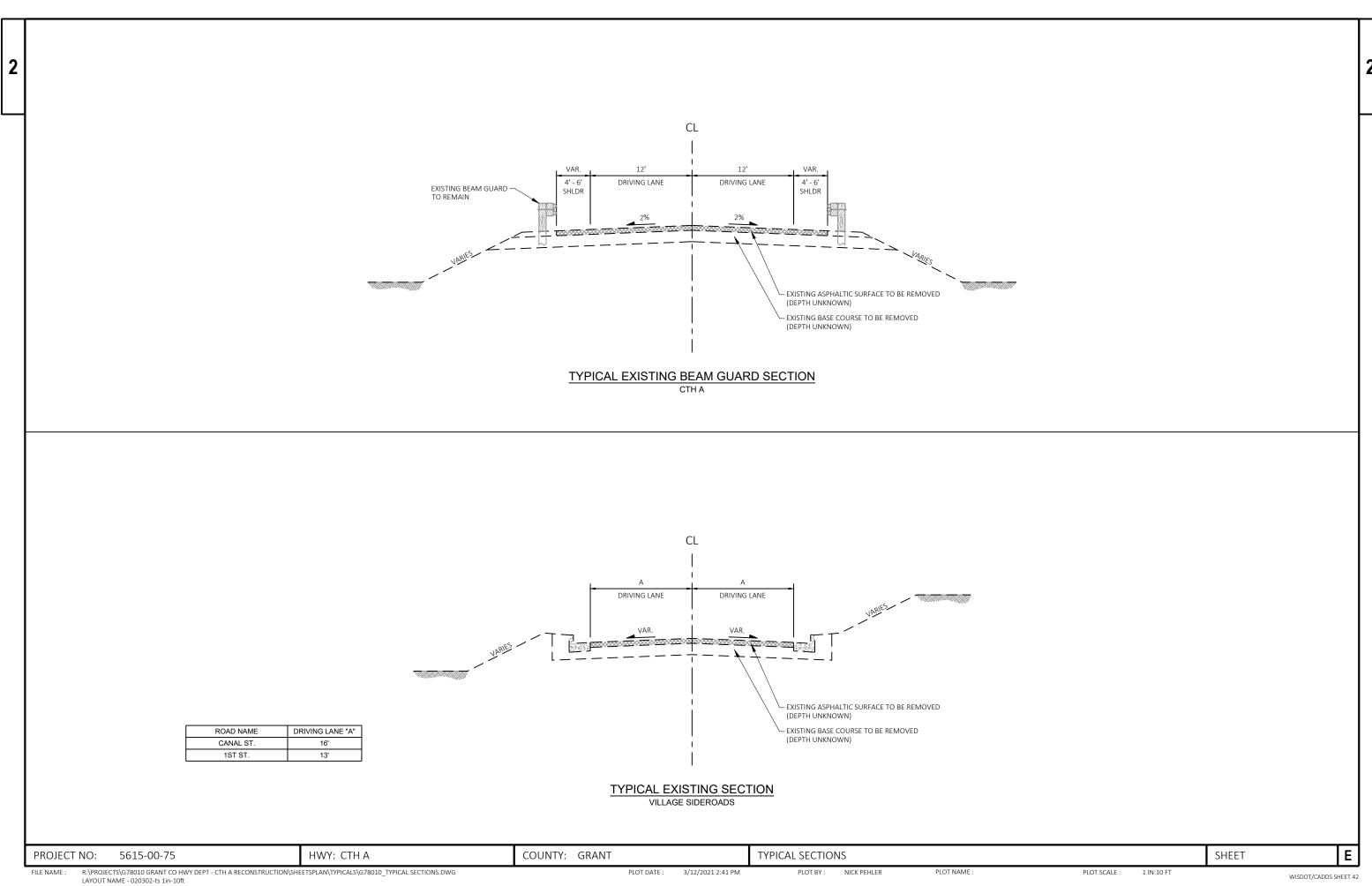
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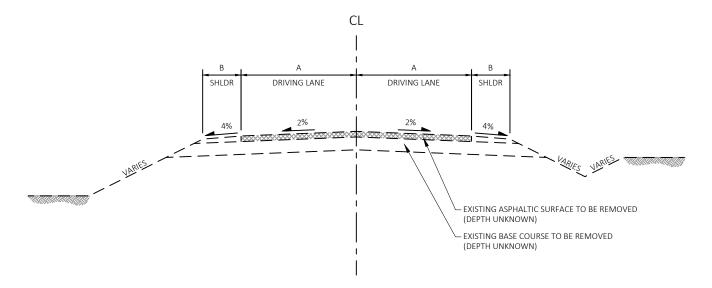
Preliminary Right-of-Way Acquisitions and Temporary Limited Easement Estimates			
Owner	Address	R/W FEE* (Acre)	TLE FEE* (Acre)
Lowell & Sally Mack	13132 Rock School Rd	0.00	0.00
Frederick Revocable Trust	110 Front St	0.00	0.00
Ronald & Rose Mumm	130 Front St	0.00	0.01
Thomas & Andrea Crubel	PO Box 575	0.08	0.00
Hoffman Living Trust	10045 County Road A	0.00	0.01
Thomas & Dianne Langmeier	576 Warco Ln	0.00	0.01
Marcus Schildgen & Mary Schildgen Revocable Living Trust	9888 County Road A	0.00	0.01
Eagle Creek Midwest LLC	10 State House Sq, Fl 15	4.62	0.39
Village of Bloomington	PO Box 156	0.00	0.00
Gabel Revocable Trust	9691 Slabtown Rd	0.00	0.00
Daniel & Robin Maring	10059 County Road A	0.00	0.00
William & Phyllis Love	9995 County Road A	0.13	0.00
Charles Knapp	555 Mill St	0.00	0.06
Sylvester Breuer & Sue Breuer	10403 Ohio Rd	0.02	0.00
3 Limes LLC	10981 Marian Rd	0.00	0.00
Bloomington Livestock Exchange III LLC	9663 County Road A	0.75	0.17
Breuer Irrevocable Trust	1400 S 13th St	8.77	0.25
Aaron Breuer	9518 County Road A	0.00	0.01
James Bark	8755 County Road A	0.08	0.00
Martin's Spring Valley Farms	9250 County Road A	1.55	0.00
Thomas Martin	9250 County Road A	0.23	0.02
Richard & Shirley Audetat	9258 County Road A	0.00	0.00
Marcus Schildgen & Mary Schildgen Revocable Living Trust and Hoffman Family Trust	9891 County Road A	0.00	0.06

<sup>\*</sup>Acreage values listed are inlcuded for information only. Values are an estimate of acquisitions needed during the preliminary design phase. Values are subject to change as the project design is finalized. All R/W and TLE acquisitions will be negotiated after final roadway plans are approved but before construction begins.





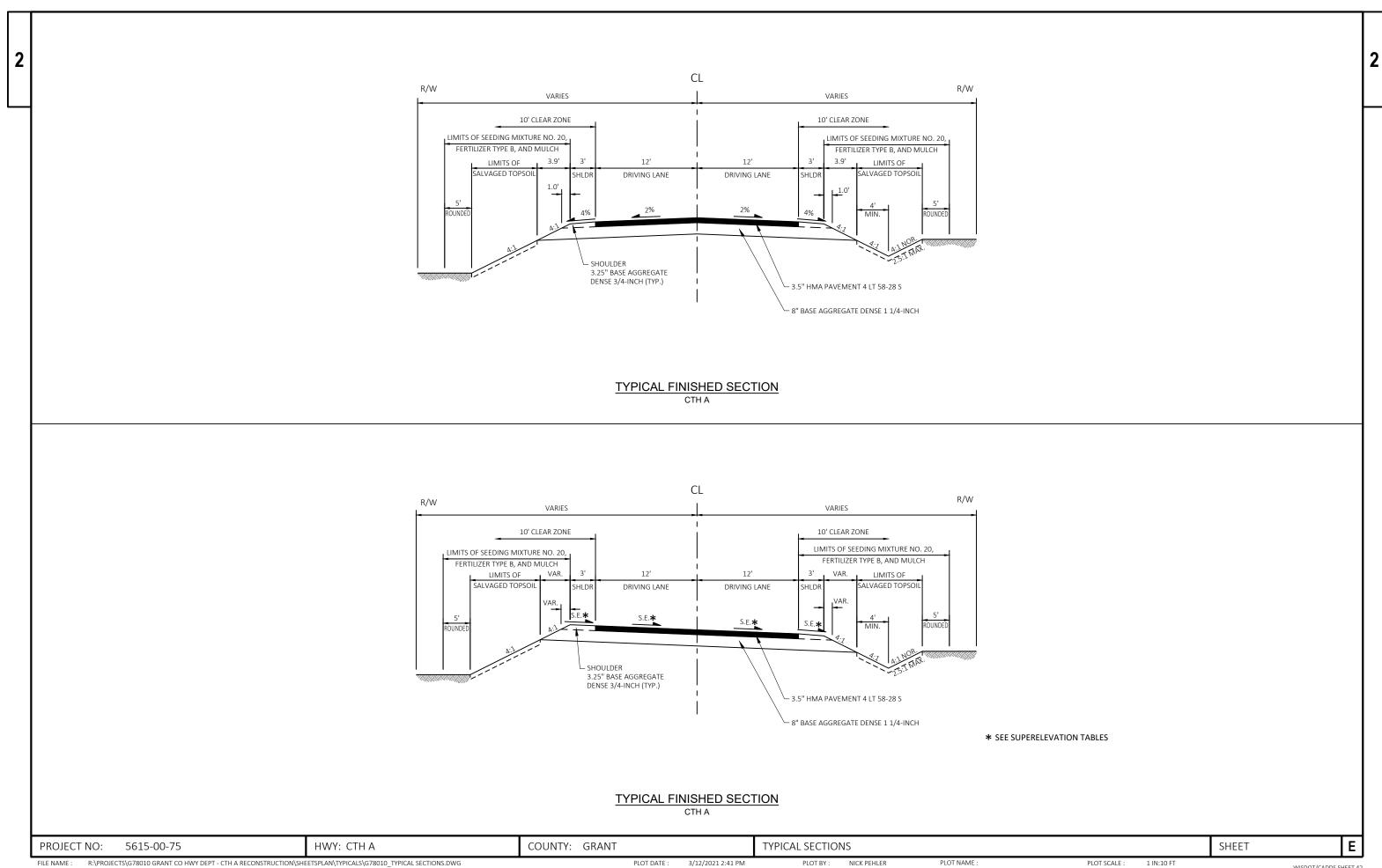




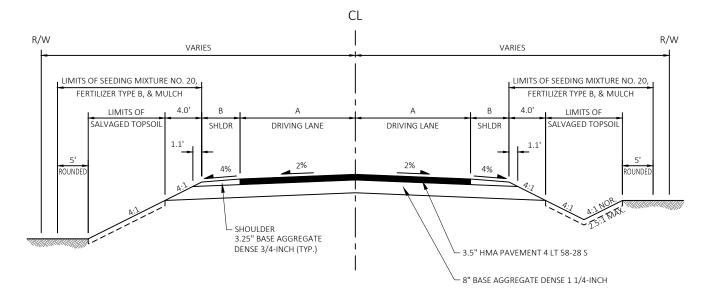
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SLAB TOWN RD.	10'	0' - 2'
UNIVERSITY FARM RD.	9'	0' - 2'
HAMPTON RD.	10'	0' - 2'

TYPICAL EXISTING SECTION TOWN SIDEROADS

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ROAD NAME	DRIVING LANE "A"	SHOULDER "B"
SLAB TOWN RD.	10'	2'
UNIVERSITY FARM RD.	10'	2'
HAMPTON RD.	10'	2'

## TYPICAL FINISHED SECTION TOWN SIDEROADS

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