

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY REPORT



PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO FM 1774 MILL CREEK DRIVE TO FM 149 WALLER AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES, TEXAS

CSJs: 1400-03-006, 1400-04-011, 1400-04-021

PUBLIC HEARING
AUGUST 9, 2007
OPEN HOUSE 6:00 PM
PUBLIC HEARING 7:00 PM
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MAGNOLIA
18525 FM 1488
Magnolia, Texas 77354

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Certification of Public Hearing

**Waller and Montgomery Counties
FM 1774 Mill Creek Drive to FM 149
CSJs: 1400-03-006, 1400-04-011, 1400-04-021**

This is to certify that:

- 1. A Public Hearing was held at the First Baptist Church of Magnolia, 18525 FM 1488 Magnolia, Texas, on August 9, 2007.**
- 2. The economic, social and environmental effects of the project's location and design and its impact on the environment have been considered.**
- 3. In determining economic, social and environmental effects, the statutory provisions of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964 have been considered.**
- 4. The project's consistency with the goals and objectives of such urban planning as promulgated by the community have been considered.**

Date

**Gabriel Y. Johnson, P.E.
Director of Transportation
Planning and Development**

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

**FM 1774: MILL CREEK DRIVE to FM 149
PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY**

Hearing Date: August 9, 2007

Hearing Location: First Baptist Church of Magnolia
18525 FM 1488
Magnolia, Texas 77354

Hearing Purpose: To present the recommended alternative and results of the environmental studies for the proposed improvements to FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive to FM 149 and to receive public comments and provide a forum for free exchange of the proposed design and concerns. To meet the requirements of Section 4(f) of the DOT Act and Chapter 26 of the Parks and Wildlife Code for impacts to parklands.

Hearing Format: Open House 6:00 PM
Public Hearing 7:00 PM

Attendance: Citizens - 100
Public Officials or Representatives - 6
TxDOT Staff and Consultants - 20

Media: 1 Present - Tomball/Magnolia Tribune News Reporter

Publications: *Houston Chronicle* - 7/10/07, 7/17/07, 7/24/07,
7/31/07 - English

The Magnolia Potpourri - 7/11/07, 8/01/07 - English

Hearing Summary: The public hearing allowed for an open forum for questions, formal written and verbal comments, and project implementation timeline for the proposed improvements to FM 1774 form Mill Creek Drive to FM 149.

A total of 33 public comments, 29 written and four verbal, were received. The majority of the comments concerned the proposed raised median design, property access, and safety. Responses to these comments are provided in the last section of this report.

The proposed design has been modified in response to public comments received during the public hearing process. A continuous left-turn lane separating the northbound and southbound travel lanes is now proposed for the section of roadway between First Street and FM 1488 in Magnolia. This will provide direct access to the businesses on the west side of the highway for northbound motorists.

PUBLIC HEARING ATTENDEES

Texas Department of Transportation

Sam Ainabe
Wilkes Campbell
Grant Chim, P.E.
John Elam
Manny Francisco
Pat Henry, P.E.
Gabriel Johnson, P.E.
Laura Lopez
Tefaye Mesfin
Jim Roscher
Christine Solomon
Sue Theiss
Carolyn Toliver
King Yuen

HNTB Corporation

Toya Campbell
Mandy Cecil
Richard McGucken, CEP
Julie Morse
Robyn Powell
Richard Zientek

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

NOTES:

Project information and a summary of this public hearing (available in November 2007) can be obtained at the TxDOT offices located at:

901 N. FM 3083 East, Conroe, TX 77303
and
7721 Washington Avenue, Houston, TX 77007
or
TxDOT's website: www.dot.state.tx.us

Your comments may be submitted electronically by August 19, 2007
via email to hou-piowebmail@dot.state.tx.us

**Thank you for your interest
in this important project.**

For more information contact:

Pat Henry, P.E.
Director of Project Development
TxDOT
(713) 802-5241

HNTB

PUBLIC HEARING

FM 1774



**Proposed Improvements to
FM 1774
Mill Creek Drive to FM 149
Waller County and Montgomery County, Texas**

Hearing Date: August 9, 2007

Time: Open House 6:00 PM
Public Hearing 7:00 PM

Location: First Baptist Church of Magnolia
18525 FM 1488
Magnolia, Texas 77354

Purpose of this Hearing

- To present the recommended alternative and results of the environmental studies for the proposed improvements to FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive to FM 149
- To receive public comments and provide a forum for free exchange of the proposed design and concerns
- To meet the requirements of Section 4(f) of the DOT Act and Chapter 26 of the Parks and Wildlife Code for impacts to parklands

Hearing Format - Open House and Formal Presentation

- Please sign in
- View exhibits during the open house
- Ask questions
(Questions will only be answered during the open house and after the formal presentation; No questions will be answered during the formal presentation)
- Formal presentation will begin promptly at 7:00 PM
- Inform staff of issues & concerns
- Complete and submit comment form

Project Description

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) proposes to widen FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive in Waller County, Texas to FM 149 in Montgomery County, Texas.

The proposed project would require additional right-of-way and some residential and commercial displacements. Approximately 0.29 acre of the Magnolia Youth Park, which falls under Section 4(f) of the 1966 Department of Transportation Act, would be impacted by the proposed project.

The schematic layout showing the location and design, environmental assessment, and other information related to the project are available for viewing.

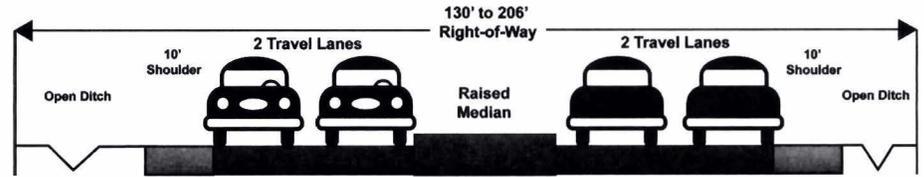
Project Status

Estimated Completion Dates

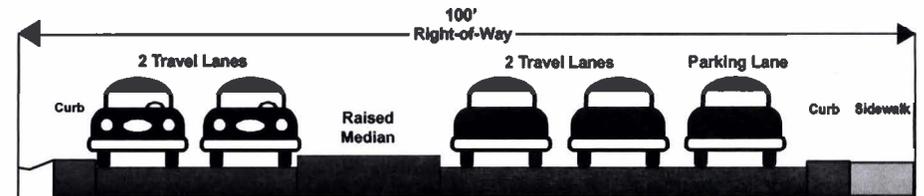
Public Involvement	Ongoing
Finding of No Significant Impact	Late 2007
Final Design	2008 - 2010
Right-Of-Way Acquisition	2008 - 2010
Construction	2010 - 2013

(Please note all dates are tentative and subject to change)

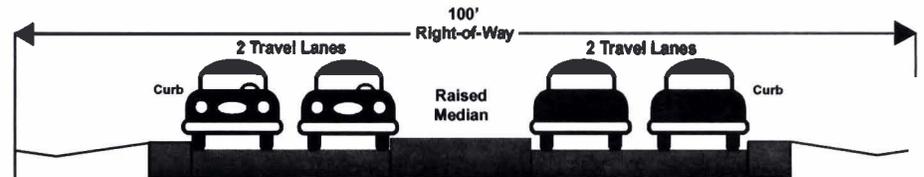
Proposed Typical Sections



Mill Creek Drive to FM 1488



FM 1488 to First Street



First Street to FM 149

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive to FM 149

The Federal Highway Administration, in association with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), will hold a public hearing to discuss proposed improvements to FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive in Waller County, Texas to FM 149 in Montgomery County, Texas:

**Thursday, August 9, 2007
6:00 pm – Open House
7:00 pm – Public Hearing
First Baptist Church of Magnolia
18525 FM 1488, Magnolia, Texas**

The purpose of this hearing is to present the proposed design and results of the environmental studies for improvements to FM 1774 from Mill Creek Drive to FM 149. The proposed project will require additional right-of-way resulting in a number of residential and nonresidential displacements. Approximately 0.3 acre of the Magnolia Youth Park would be impacted by the proposed project which falls under the 1966 Department of Transportation Act Section 4(f).

The schematic layout showing the location and design, environmental assessment, and other information related to the project will be available for viewing. In addition, individuals knowledgeable about the project will be available from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm during the open house. The public hearing will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. For those unable to attend the hearing, the above information will also be available for review at the TxDOT District Office, 7721 Washington Avenue, Houston and the Montgomery County Area Office, 901 N. FM 3083 E, Conroe.

Individuals interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT at 713-802-5071 at least two business days prior to the hearing. Since the hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two business days prior to the public hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

Verbal and written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the hearing or written comments may be submitted to Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386. Comments will also be accepted by email at houpwebmail@dot.state.tx.us. All comments must be postmarked by August 19, 2007.

MAILING LISTS

PUBLIC OFFICIALS

July 5, 2007

CONTACT: DPD

CERTIFIED MAIL «Certified»

Montgomery and Grimes Counties
FM 1774: FM 149 to CR 302
Control 1400-04-011, 1400-03-006, & 1400-04-021

«Title» «First_Name» «Last_Name»
«Position»
«Address_1» «Suite»
«City», «State» «Zip»

Dear «Salutation» «Last_Name»:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is hosting a Public Hearing to present the proposed widening of FM 1774 from FM 149 in Montgomery County, Texas to Mill Creek Drive just south of the Grimes County, Texas line. Attached is a notice for the upcoming Public Hearing. You, or your representative, are cordially invited to attend this hearing. The hearing will be held as follows:

Thursday, August 9, 2007
First Baptist Church of Magnolia
18525 FM 1488
Magnolia, Texas
6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m.

We are available to meet with you prior to the Public Hearing to answer any questions that you may have or to review the proposed project. If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Mr. Pat Henry, P.E., at (713) 802-5241.

Sincerely,



Gary K. Trietsch, P.E.
District Engineer
Houston District

Attachment

cc: Mr. Pat Henry, P.E.

**FM 1774 PUBLIC HEARING
PUBLIC OFFICIAL MAILING LIST
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2007**

Title	First Name	Last Name	Position	Address 1	Suite	City	State	Zip	Salutation	Certified
The Honorable	Jimmy	Thornton	Mayor	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Mayor	7005 1160 0005 0439 2849
The Honorable	Sammy	Scott	Councilmember	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Councilmember	7005 1160 0005 0439 2856
The Honorable	John	Bramlett	Councilmember	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Councilmember	7005 1160 0005 0439 2863
The Honorable	Todd	Kana	Councilmember	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Councilmember	7005 1160 0005 0439 2870
The Honorable	Dave	Sutherland	Councilmember	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Councilmember	7005 1160 0005 0439 2887
The Honorable	Patsy	Williams	Councilmember	P. O. Box 396		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Councilmember	7005 1160 0005 0439 2894
The Honorable	Craig	Doyal	Montgomery County Commissioner, Precinct 2	38927 FM 1774		Magnolia	Texas	77355	Commissioner	7005 1160 0005 0439 2917
The Honorable	Terry	Harrison	Waller County Commissioner, Precinct 2	836 Austin Street, Room 203		Hempstead	Texas	77445	Commissioner	7005 1160 0005 0439 2924
The Honorable	Alan B.	Sadler	Montgomery County Judge	301 N. Thompson		Conroe	Texas	77301	Judge	7005 1160 0005 0439 2931
The Honorable	Owen	Ralston	Waller County Judge	836 Austin Street, Room 203		Hempstead	Texas	77445	Judge	7005 1160 0005 0439 2948
The Honorable	Glenn	Hegar	State Senator	P.O. Box 1008		Katy	Texas	77492	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 2955
The Honorable	Glenn	Hegar	State Senator	P. O. Box 12068		Austin	Texas	78711	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 2962
The Honorable	Robert	Nichols	State Senator	2040 N. Loop 336 West	Suite 107, Box 7	Conroe	Texas	77304	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 2979
The Honorable	Robert	Nichols	State Senator	P. O. Box 12068		Austin	Texas	78711	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 2986
The Honorable	Rob	Eissler	State Representative	P.O. Box 1110		Magnolia	Texas	77353	Representative	7005 1160 0005 0439 2993
The Honorable	Rob	Eissler	State Representative	P. O. Box 2910		Austin	Texas	78768	Representative	7005 1160 0005 0439 3006
The Honorable	John	Zerwas	State Representative	410 West Grand Parkway South	Suite 390	Katy	Texas	74751	Representative	7005 1160 0005 0439 3013
The Honorable	John	Zerwas	State Representative	P. O. Box 2910		Austin	Texas	78768	Representative	7005 1160 0005 0439 3020
The Honorable	Kay Bailey	Hutchison	U. S. Senator	1919 Smith Street, Suite 800		Houston	Texas	77002	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 3037
The Honorable	John	Comyn	U. S. Senator	5300 Memorial Drive, Suite 980		Houston	Texas	77007	Senator	7005 1160 0005 0439 3044
The Honorable	Michael	McCaul	U. S. Representative	990 Village Square	Suite B	Tomball	Texas	77375	Congressman	7005 1160 0005 0439 3051
The Honorable	Kevin	Brady	U. S. Representative	200 River Pointe Drive	Suite 304	Conroe	Texas	77304	Congressman	7005 1160 0005 0439 3068

ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS

FM 1774
Adjacent Property Owner Mailing List
August 9, 2007

#	Property ID	Name	Attn:	Address	City	State	Zip	County
1	P152443	Noto Music Co	Douglas Noto	116 S. 10th st.	Navasota	TX	77868	Waller
2	P164130	Houston Music & Amusement Co.		5411 Haverwood	Houston	TX	77066	Waller
3	R12319	Kevin K. Zabiegala		28134 Foxwood Dr.	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Waller
4	R12322	Cecil Heiderman		P.O. Box 213	Plantersville	TX	77363	Waller
5	R12324	Donna Hoyt		506 Sunset View Terrace # 103	Lessburg	VA	20175	Waller
6	R12325	John Wilson		415 Magnolia Blvd.	Magnolia	TX	77355	Waller
7	R12334	Dana Gullion		P.O. Box 1824	Onalaska	TX	77360	Waller
8	R12338	Ronald Herdejürgen		45497 FM 1774	Plantersville	TX	77363	Waller
9	R12338	Nelson Poskie		P.O. Box 544	Magnolia	TX	77353	Waller
10	R14126	Reventures Inc		17926 Bamwood Dr	Houston	TX	77090	Waller
11	R14126	Wells Fargo Bank		3 ADA Building 1	Irvine	CA	92618	Waller
12	R14138	Eugene & Paula Mattem		P.O. Box 1029	Magnolia	TX	77355	Waller
13	R14139	Mark Foteh		16526 Darby House	Cypress	TX	77429	Waller
14	R14143	Henry's Hideout	William Paul Phillips Jr	P.O. Box 363	Plantersville	TX	77363	Waller
15	R14145	Rebecca J. Harrison		P.O. Box 1527	Magnolia	TX	77353	Waller
16	R152831	Donna Hoyt		506 Sunset View Terrace # 103	Lessburg	VA	20175	Waller
17	R23470	Merito Store Inc. DBA		46518 FM 1774	Plantersville	TX	77363	Waller
18	R23523	Waste Services Family Partners		36915 Gossamer Ln.	Magnolia	TX	77353	Waller
19	R9472	Anna Rumfolo		23327 Rumfolo Drive	Tomball	TX	77375	Waller
20	R100691	John Frey		P.O. Box 860	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
21	R100692	Daniel Bruce		1019 Columbia River RD	Montgomery	TX	77316	Montgomery
22	R101950	Carmelo & Prisca Garcia		30231 Hunters Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
23	R102025	Hector Rangel		36922 Russel St	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
24	R102068, R102069	Raymond Rickett		21883 Karen Switch Rd	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
25	R102070	George Bergenstock		37018 Arlene St	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
26	R102073	Mary Alice Conner		37102 Arlene St	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
27	R102075	Eric & Rhonda Tuma Sullivan		37110 Arlene St	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
28	R122263, R122265	William Ingram		26514 I-45 North	Spring	TX	77386	Montgomery
29	R122266	Magnolia Funeral Home	Glenn Addison	811 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
30	R122586	Gayle Management Trust		23118 Brinamwood Blvd.	Spring	TX	77373	Montgomery
31	R122587, R46138, R43153, R122588, R122620	Recoverable Living Trust	David Sutherland & Judy Darlington	180 Pecan Drive	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
32	R122589	Theav & Muy S Hong		13927 Blazey DR	Houston	TX	77041	Montgomery
33	R122591	Ross & Susan Kong		5318 Dana Leigh Dr	Houston	TX	77066	Montgomery
34	R122593	Magnolia Vol Fire Department		P.O. Box 473	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
35	R122594	Ernest Grandinetti		23203 Petrich Ln	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
36	R122596	Frank & Terry Dean		619 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
37	R122601	CJR Lucky Inc		P.O. Box 11025	College Station	TX	77842	Montgomery
38	R122606	David B Smedley		Revocable Living TR PO Box 1571	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
39	R122608	Chris & Jodie Chumley		4514 Mounwood St	Houston	TX	77018	Montgomery
40	R122612, R122614	Chris Hardee		19927 Indigo Lake Dr.	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
41	R122615, R122621	Travis D Whitaker		P.O. Box 151	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
42	R122616	Levina - Estate of Botkin		411 Magnolia Blvd.	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
43	R122626	David & Barbara Meyers		Family PTP LTD 34403 High Point Dr	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
44	R122627	Henry Dean		31526 Wisteria Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
45	R122629	Shawn & Marcey Young		26803 Elm St	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
46	R122630	Edith M Lorino		12414 Pedder Way Dr	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
47	R122631	John C. Purvis		P.O. Box 440	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery

FM 1774
Adjacent Property Owner Mailing List
August 9, 2007

#	Property ID	Name	Attn:	Address	City	State	Zip	County
48	R122635	Hugh D McCracken		P.O. Box 1014	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
49	R122636	Daphney Skelton		119 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
50	R122637, R122638	Rohnda & Alfonso Sakdivar		Magnolia Vision Center 117 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
51	R122639	Super Quick Wash LP		3520 Aldine Bender Rd Ste A	Houston	TX	77032	Montgomery
52	R210913	James & Lola Ingram		42910 FM 1774	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
53	R210914	Walter & Wilma Lege		31103 N. Cripple Creek Drive	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
54	R210916, R40537	David & Alice Arevalo		P.O. Box 209	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
55	R21805	Paul & Delphine Michna		1325 Virgie Community RD	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
56	R218699	Montgomery Co. Youth Svs		400 N. San Jacinto St	Conroe	TX	77301	Montgomery
57	R219269, R40282	Magnolia ISD		P.O. Box 138	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
58	R231037	Jeffrey Cofsky		38011 FM 1774 Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
59	R243618	Richard Schiel		26127 Decker Prairie Rosehl Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
60	R249326	Rocket Fuels No 2	Franklin Ventures INC	3325 W. 11th St.	Houston	TX	77008	Montgomery
61	R259710	Homeland Enterprises INC		P.O. Box 1048	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
62	R262398	Archland Property II LP	The Kades Company	5621 Red Bluff Rd	Pasadena	TX	77505	Montgomery
63	R263806, R324884	YMCA GREATER HOUSTON AREA	Metropolitan Office	P.O. Box 3007	Houston	TX	77253	Montgomery
64	R267331	Donald Miller		10902 Brentway Dr	Houston	TX	77070	Montgomery
65	R267805	Danny Yelverton		22810 Champion Oaks Dr	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
66	R270337	Ngan Bayo Nguyen Le		6142 Wilcrest Dr	Houston	TX	77072	Montgomery
67	R270394, R279535	Luchies & Shirley Hill		1027 Harry St.	Lexinton	TX	78947	Montgomery
68	R270913	Robert Hessong		38365 FM 1774 Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
69	R270914	Richard & Gina Deming		814 Box Elder Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
70	R285518	Rick & Anita Billings		P.O. Box 1429	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
71	R290139	Howard & Lisca Gaffney		323 Meadow Lake Dr	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
72	R290142	Frey Enterprises		P.O. Box 860	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
73	R291099	Donald & Linda Rinn		15003 Wildwood TRCE	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
74	R298245	Magnolia FM 1774 Land		3733 Westheimer RD STE 200	Houston	TX	77027	Montgomery
75	R298247	Magnolia Richardson		Plaza LP 595 Round Rock West Dr Ste 103	Round Rock	TX	78681	Montgomery
76	R306104	David Lege		P.O. Box 913	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
77	R317487	Magnolia FM 1774 Land		7887 Katy Fwy, Ste. 220	Houston	TX	77024	Montgomery
78	R317488	FM 1774 Land Partners		16525 Lexington BLVD Ste 240	Sugar land	TX	77479	Montgomery
79	R318640	City of Magnolia Economic		Development Corporation 18111 Buddy Riley Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
80	R319798	Tanya White		37817 FM 1774 Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
81	R32944	Morris Dean		2366 River Oaks Dr	New Braunfels	TX	78132	Montgomery
82	R329825, R329827	Magnolia Memorial Gardens Inc		811 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
83	R340795	Lake Windsor Partners LLC	Joseph Van Bree	P.O. Box 081788	Racine	WI	53406	Montgomery
84	R347691, R347692	Tomball Woods LLC	Rodney Welty	1600 Maint St. Ste B	St. Charles	IL	60174	Montgomery
85	R39218	John & Sharon Frey		702 High Meadow Ranch Dr	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
86	R39256	JM Pine - Tex, LP		603 Laredo Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
87	R39259	Ricky & Donna Anderson		35823 Post Oak Cir	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
88	R39260	Charles & Maria Wilson		2203 Pecos St	Mission	TX	78572	Montgomery
89	R39261	Boyce Tool Company INC		35323 SH 249	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
90	R39262	Cesar & Cecilia Puente		17440 Fm 2920 Rd	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
91	R39263	Bobby & Helen Washington		P.O. Box 638	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
92	R39271	RHW Family Partnership		P.O. Box 69085	Houston	TX	77269	Montgomery
93	R39307	Kenneth Woodruff		17423 Pine Ln	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
94	R39320	JC Burnett		P.O. Box 303	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery

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August 9, 2007**

#	Property ID	Name	Attn:	Address	City	State	Zip	County
95	R39683	J Belt, LTD		Joyce Rickett Belt P.O. Box 610	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
96	R40190	Magnolia Road Investment Inc		1814 Rustic Hills Ct	Sugar land	TX	77479	Montgomery
97	R40262	Berrie Dean & William H Rosier		P.O. Box 10505	Midway	GA	31320	Montgomery
98	R40266	Fran Dearing		32118 Old Hempstead Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
99	R40268	AXE Em Investments LP		907 Honea Egypt Rd	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
100	R40284	Affiliated Crown Developments LTD	Property Tax Dept	6004 US Highway 59 S	Lufkin	TX	75901	Montgomery
101	R40535, R40538, R46154	Mike Garner		P.O. Box 67	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
102	R40536	Ella Keyser		10854 County Road 203	Plantersville	TX	77363	Montgomery
103	R40539	Marlene Sloan		P.O. Box 315	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
104	R40540	Jansen, R L & G S		4311 Goldfinch St	Houston	TX	77035	Montgomery
105	R40541	Michael Garner		P.O. Box 6667	Laguna Niguel	CA	92607	Montgomery
106	R40543	Union Pacific Railroad Co		Douglas St. Stop #1640	Omaha	NE	68179	Montgomery
107	R42259	GDS Cons. Inc.		37915 FM 1774 Rd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
108	R42533	Larry Margreiter		14134 Limerick Ln.	Tomball	TX	77375	Montgomery
109	R42534	M&M Coastal Real Estate, LP		1012 W Jackson Ave	Pasadena	TX	77506	Montgomery
110	R42550	Darrell Etherington		5015 Dawn Lily Dr.	Spring	TX	77388	Montgomery
111	R43559	White Oak Developers	Property Tax Dept	19221 Interstated 45 S. Ste 370	Conroe	TX	77385	Montgomery
112	R43589, R50828	Mew Magnolia LP	Deborah Thomas	Galleria Tower Two 13455 Noel Rd 23rd Fl	Dallas	TX	75240	Montgomery
113	R43815, R40188	Stacy Dudevszky		13022 Lake Shore Blvd	Bratenahl	OH	44108	Montgomery
114	R43822	Plato Pappas		10945 Beinhom Rd.	Houston	TX	77024	Montgomery
115	R46099	Affiliated Crown Developments LTD		Estex INC 15444 Crown Oaks Dr	Montgomery	TX	77316	Montgomery
116	R46131	Johnny Foster		1908 Weldon Dr	Houston	TX	77073	Montgomery
117	R46136	Global New Millennium Ptms	Property Tax Dept	6671 Southwest Fwy, Ste. 440	Houston	TX	77074	Montgomery
118	R46142	Ronnie Chumley		P.O. Box 364	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
119	R46144	Renaissance Center, DST		630 Trade Center Dr	Las Vegasq	NV	89119	Montgomery
120	R46219	Toby Laveme Smith		203 Southmore St	Tomball	TX	77375	Montgomery
121	R53918	Maritla, LP		30 E Rivercrest Ave	Houston	TX	77042	Montgomery
122	R53929	Gary & Terry Simpson		3922 Fir Forest Dr	Spring	TX	77388	Montgomery
123	R53931	Diocese of Gal/Houston		P.O. Box 907	Houston	TX	77001	Montgomery
124	R53932	Church of Christ		P.O. Box 274	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
125	R53935, R54433	Magnolia ISD		P.O. Box 138	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
126	R54410	Norma Helen Schoessow		105 San Antonio St	Fredericksbrg	TX	78624	Montgomery
127	R54423	Montgomery County		400 N. San Jacinto St	Conroe	TX	77301	Montgomery
128	R54429, R54434	Magnolia-Tex Acquisition Co. LLP		P.O. Box 814	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
129	R54436	Badih Baz		12902 Apple Forest Trl.	Houston	TX	77065	Montgomery
130	R54438, R54439	TXI Operations, LP		1314 W Mockingbird Ln Ste 700 W	Dallas	TX	75247	Montgomery
131	R54440	Church of Christ Magnolia		P.O. Box 274	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
132	R54441	Magnolia Missionary Baptist		Church 835 Magnolia Blvd	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
133	R54442	Denina Family Partnership		12106 Holderieth Rd	Tomball	TX	77375	Montgomery
134	R54448	Nathan Ingram		25796 Tranquility Lane	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
135	R54449	William & Melanie Bailey		38928 FM 1774 Rd.	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
136	R54451	Douglas Rene Hancock		P.O. Box 70	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
137	R56402	5732 Woodard Partners LTD		14875 Landmark Blvd Suite 306	Dallas	TX	75254	Montgomery
138	R80645	Arturo & Emily Santos		2006 Woodbine St	Houston	TX	77017	Montgomery
139	R80645, R80713	Larry & Sheila Robertson		30703 Meadow Wood Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
140	R80647	James K Crow		30707 Meadow Wood Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
141	R80714, R80715, R80716	Robert Larry Jones		30611 Meadow Wood Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery

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Adjacent Property Owner Mailing List
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#	Property ID	Name	Attn:	Address	City	State	Zip	County
142	R80717	Joyce Golden		30740 Lazy Ridge Rd	Waller	TX	77484	Montgomery
143	R80718	Matthew Oliver & April Schmitt		30527 Meadow Wood Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
144	R92317	Martin Lee Moreno		P.O. Box 903	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
145	R92318	Country Master Homes Inc		30233 Post Oak Run	Magnolia	TX	77355	Montgomery
146	R92319	Cheryl Watts		37819 Galleria Oaks Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
147	R92320	Joey & Tracy Breaux		37811 Galleria Oaks Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
148	R92330, R92332	Irma Fay Powell		30731 Cripple Creek Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
149	R96309	James William		P.O. Box 159	Magnolia	TX	77353	Montgomery
150	R96330	Rinn Family Trust		6519 Preston Trail Dr	Houston	TX	77069	Montgomery
151	R96362	Central Baptist Church		P.O. Box 1380	Magnolia	TX	77362	Montgomery
152	R96364, R102077	Khalli Tex Food Mart LLC		17518 Hawkins Lane	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
153	R96454	Raymond Hammons		P.O. Box 673	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
154	R96455	John Keith Wright		20125 Pine Island Rd	Hempstead	TX	77445	Montgomery
155	R96470, R96469	Don Lacy		Craig Raus 18304 FM 1488 Rd Ste 7	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
156	R96471	Robert Boyle		P.O. Box 445	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
157	R96472, R96475	Northwest Water Systems		P.O. Box 550	Tomball	TX	77362	Montgomery
158	R96477	Tommy Lynn & Linda Verwold		37015 Fawn Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
159	R96478	Linda Koehler Jones		37003 Fawn Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
160	R96479	Patricia Goodson Colton		P.O. Box 1412	Cleveland	TX	77328	Montgomery
161	R96480	Evelyn M & Susie L Allen		P.O. Box 734	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
162	R96482	Billy Patterson		37035 Raccoon BND	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
163	R96587, R96745	Northwest Water Systems		P.O. Box 550	Tomball	TX	77377	Montgomery
164	R96591	Richard L. Schiel		P.O. Box 158	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
165	R96595	Joan F & Rachie Frieze		30502 Meadow Edge Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
166	R96599	Boyd Richardson		P.O. Box 868	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
167	R96682, R96684, R96687, R96688	OTWU, INC		P.O. BOX 452	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
168	R96683	Mary L Payne		P.O. Box 761	Pinehurst	TX	77362	Montgomery
169	R96685	Loretta H. Randolph		30710 Lake Edge Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
170	R96686	T R & Joyce Rains		36819 Fawn Ln	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
171	R96734	Donald C. & Linda Rinn		15003 Wildwood Trace	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery
172	R96746	Marvin McCumber		30502 Hazy Meadow Dr	Magnolia	TX	77354	Montgomery

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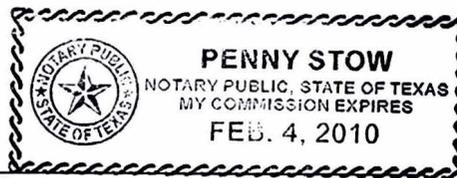
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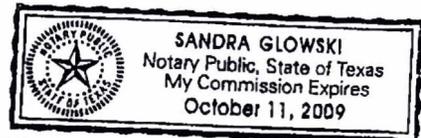
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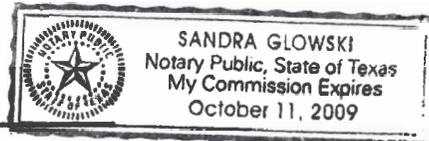
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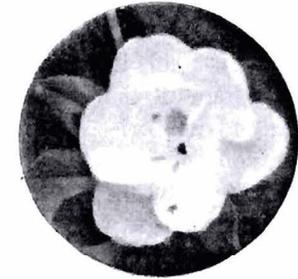
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Magnolia business leaders voice concern over FM 1774 improvements

By Cari Herr
Tribune Staff

The proposed 10-mile stretch of improvements scheduled for FM 1774 completed the first public hearing on Aug. 9 with several business owners in the area submitting comments prior to the Aug. 19 closing date.

An estimated 70 people were in attendance. Of the seven requests received to speak, four voiced concerns about a proposed raised median through Magnolia, requesting TxDOT to reconfigure the improvement with a continuous left turn lane.



Preston Cutbirth

"The City of Magnolia has adopted a resolution asking that the center median be a continuous turn lane," said

Councilman Dave Sutherland, who said he would forward a copy of the resolution to TxDOT representatives.

Besides Sutherland, Magnolia Medical Center owner Preston Cutbirth, Kemah Seafood owner Sovon Thou and Magnolia Area Chamber of Commerce President Anne Sundquist submitted similar comments.

"It is my opinion that the raised median and the selective turns will have a negative economic impact on the businesses along FM 1774," Cutbirth said, with the result being less mobility for traffic attempting to access the busi-

nesses on the southbound side.

Thou expressed the same concern, also requesting a continuous left-hand turn.

"The raised median is not conducive to business," he said.

Sundquist said the city was planning a revitalization effort for downtown and that the mobility committee had voiced concerns about the raised median.

"The raised median is going to hinder both the value of the property and the future development" of that project, she said.

Should there be significant changes in the proposed proj-

ect, additional public hearings will be scheduled, said a TxDOT spokesperson.

The proposed project is the result of a Level of Service study TxDOT completed in 2003 that reflects 12,400 vehicles per day (vpd) travel FM 1774 with heavy congestion during peak hours, according to TxDOT Project Manager Manny Francisco. Projections for 2023 raise that number to 22,600 vpd.

Construction will begin at the Grimes County line and travel south toward Tomball.

The development of a 23-

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foot overpass for the Union Pacific Railroad and a southbound feeder will require a crossing at Magnolia Blvd. and FM 1488, displacing businesses and residences as it connects to FM 1774 to accommodate the new 100-foot roadway.

The overpass takes a southwesterly turn off the existing FM 1774 roadway and is positioned roughly

between the entrances to Magnolia Business Park and Chumley's Wrecker Service.

The proposed roadway from Mill Creek to FM 1488 widens to between 130 and 206 feet. It is planned to provide two 10-foot traffic lanes in both directions with open ditches, a raised center median with transitions for left turns, and a 10-foot shoulder.

Plans for Magnolia include two 10-foot traffic lanes in both directions with

curb and storm sewer, an eastbound parking lane and sidewalk, and raised median versus a center turn lane from FM 1488 to First Street, all within 100 feet of right-of-way.

From First Street to FM 149 the design is similar excluding the eastbound parking lane and sidewalk.

TxDOT representatives said they anticipate a public hearing summary to be complete in Nov. 2007 and

should begin right-of-way acquisition in early 2008 through 2010. The project is scheduled to begin bid letting in May of 2010 and is scheduled to be complete by 2013.

Relocation assistance is available for those potential residents and business owners who may be displaced during the project. Submission of comments on the project closed Aug. 19. For more information, call 713-802-5241.

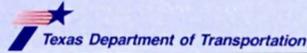
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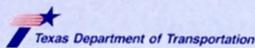
FM 1774 PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

- **Registration and Exhibit Viewing**
- **Public Hearing Presentation**
- **Public Comment Session**
- **Adjourn Public Hearing**



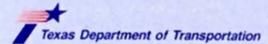
FM 1774 PROPOSED PROJECT

- Upgrade the existing highway from a two-lane to a four-lane facility with a raised median.
- Construct a grade separation over the Union Pacific Railroad in the City of Magnolia.
- The improvements would increase safety, access, and mobility for the traveling public.



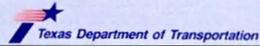
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- **FM 1774 Public Meeting –
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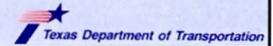
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- *Magnolia Potpourri*
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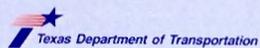
FM 1774 INTRODUCTIONS

- Elected Officials



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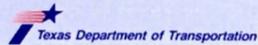
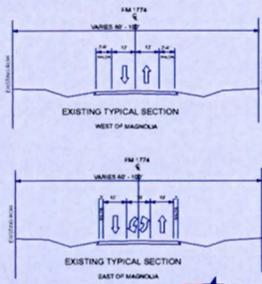


FM 1774 SPEAKER INTRODUCTIONS

- Project Description and Geometric Design
Manny Francisco, TxDOT
Project Manager
- Environmental Studies
Dick McGucken, HNTB
Sr. Environmental Planner

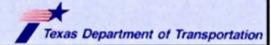


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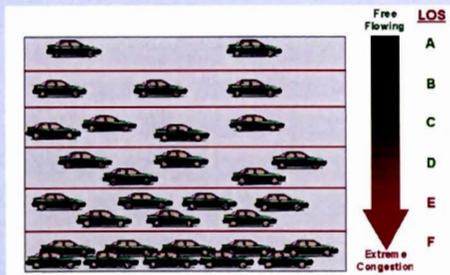


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- Congested railroad crossing



FM 1774 NEED FOR THE PROJECT

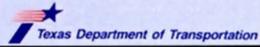
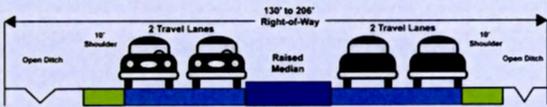


FM 1774 PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT

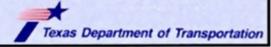
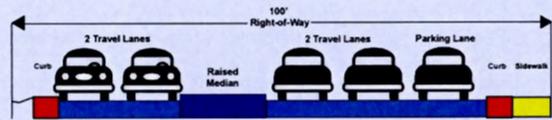
- Increase safety and operational efficiency
- Provide added capacity for future traffic volumes
- Reduce congestion



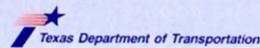
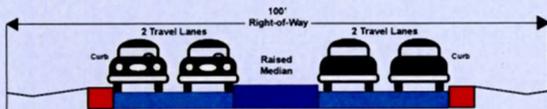
**MILL CREEK DR. TO FM 1488
PROPOSED FACILITY**



**FM 1488 TO FIRST STREET
PROPOSED FACILITY**



**FIRST STREET TO FM 149
PROPOSED FACILITY**



**FM 1774
ESTIMATED COST & SCHEDULE**

Estimated construction cost: \$64 million

Estimated let date: May 2010

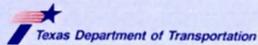
Construction: 2010-2013



**FM 1774
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Wetlands/Waters of the U.S.

- USACE Nationwide Permit 14 – Linear Transportation Crossings
- TCEQ Section 401 Water Quality Certification



**FM 1774
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Traffic Noise

- Noise impacts to three individual residences
- No noise barriers proposed



**FM 1774
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Other Considerations

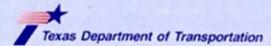
- Air Quality
- Land Use
- Socioeconomic Conditions
- Environmental Justice
- Community Cohesion
- Soils/farmlands



**FM 1774
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Other Considerations

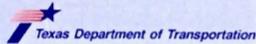
- Wildlife and Vegetation
- Historic Structures
- Archeological Sites
- Hazardous Materials
- Indirect and Cumulative Effects



FM 1774 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Agency Coordination

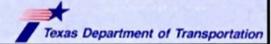
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- Texas Parks & Wildlife Department
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Texas Historical Commission
- Montgomery County
- Waller County



FM 1774 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Mitigation

- Historic Resources
- Parkland
- Wetlands



FM 1774 INFORMATION FOR REVIEW

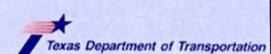
- **TxDOT Montgomery County Area Office**
901 N. FM 3083 East
Conroe, TX 77303
- **TxDOT Houston District Office**
7721 Washington Avenue
Houston, TX 77007



FM 1774 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

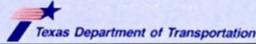
What's next?

- Public hearing summary report
- FHWA review of report
- Report available to the public
- Estimated environmental approval –
Late 2007



**FM 1774
PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS**

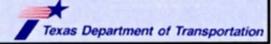
- **Verbal Comments**
 - Complete speaker card
 - Step up to microphone when called
 - 3-minute time limit
- **Written Comments**
 - Leave in orange boxes tonight or mail/email to TxDOT
 - Comment forms must be postmarked or emailed by August 19, 2007



**FM 1774
PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS**

Public Hearing Summary Report

- **TxDOT Houston District Office**
7721 Washington Avenue
Houston, TX 77007
- **TxDOT Montgomery County Area Office**
901 N. FM 3083 E
Conroe, TX 77303
- **TxDOT Website: www.dot.state.tx.us**

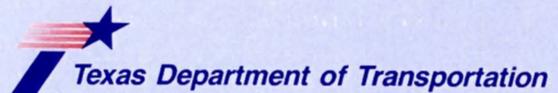


**FM 1774
PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS**

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION



**Thank you for your interest
and participation.**



EXHIBITS



WELCOME

to the

FM 1774

PUBLIC HEARING



Texas Department of Transportation

FM 1774 Widening



PROJECT LOCATION



WHY ARE YOU HERE?

To provide input into the project process including commenting on the schematic design, proposed right-of-way, and environmental assessment.

A comment form has been provided to you for your convenience. If you do not have one, please ask a project team member.





PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Design a facility to accommodate existing and projected traffic needs
- Upgrade the roadway to conform with current Federal Highway Administration and Texas Department of Transportation design and safety standards
- Implement improvements that avoid and/or minimize impacts





PROJECT CONSIDERATIONS

- Right-of-Way
 - Roadway Design
 - Environmental Constraints
 - Public Input
 - Drainage and Utilities
 - Access
 - Traffic Volumes
 - Railroad Crossing
 - Cost
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PROJECT FACTS

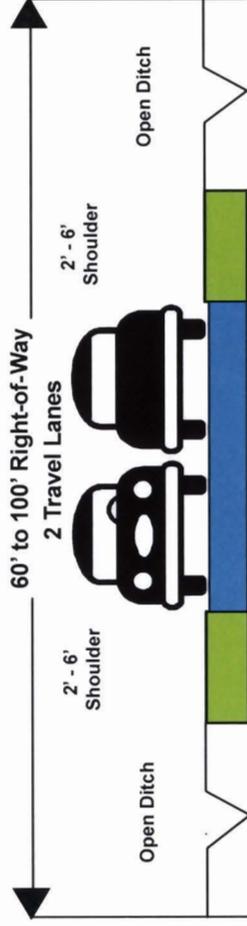
Study Limits: Mill Creek Drive to FM 149

Study Length: 10 miles

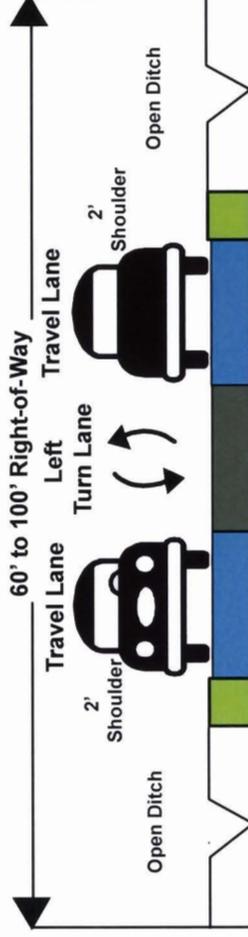
Existing	Proposed
Two-lane undivided roadway	Four-lane divided roadway
Right-of-Way: 60 – 100 feet	Right-of-Way: 100 – 206 feet
At-grade railroad crossing	Railroad overpass



EXISTING TYPICAL SECTIONS



Mill Creek Drive to FM 1488



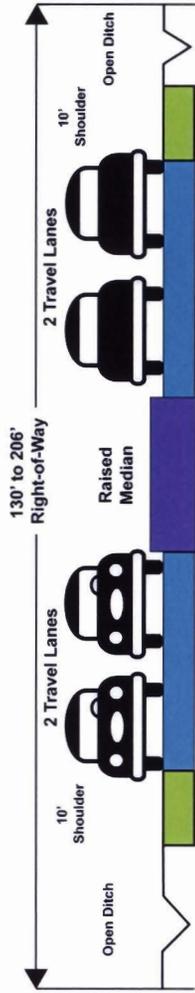
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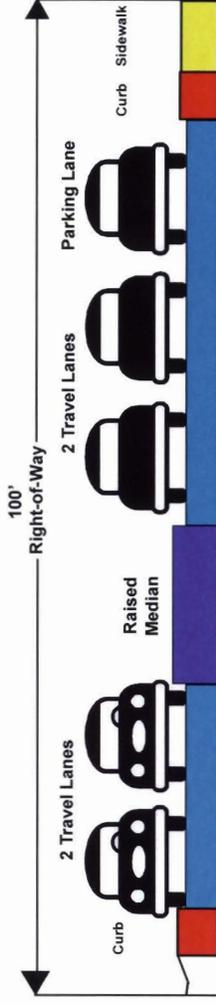
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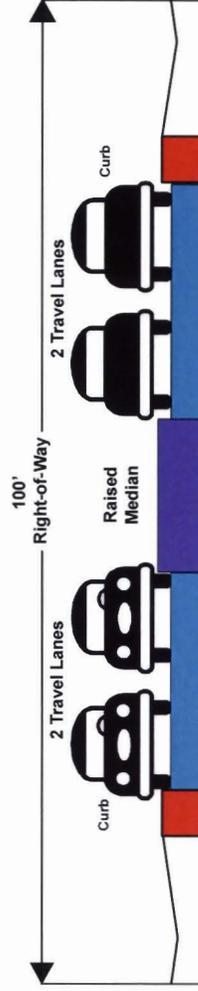
PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS



Mill Creek Drive to FM 1488



FM 1488 to First Street



First Street to FM 149

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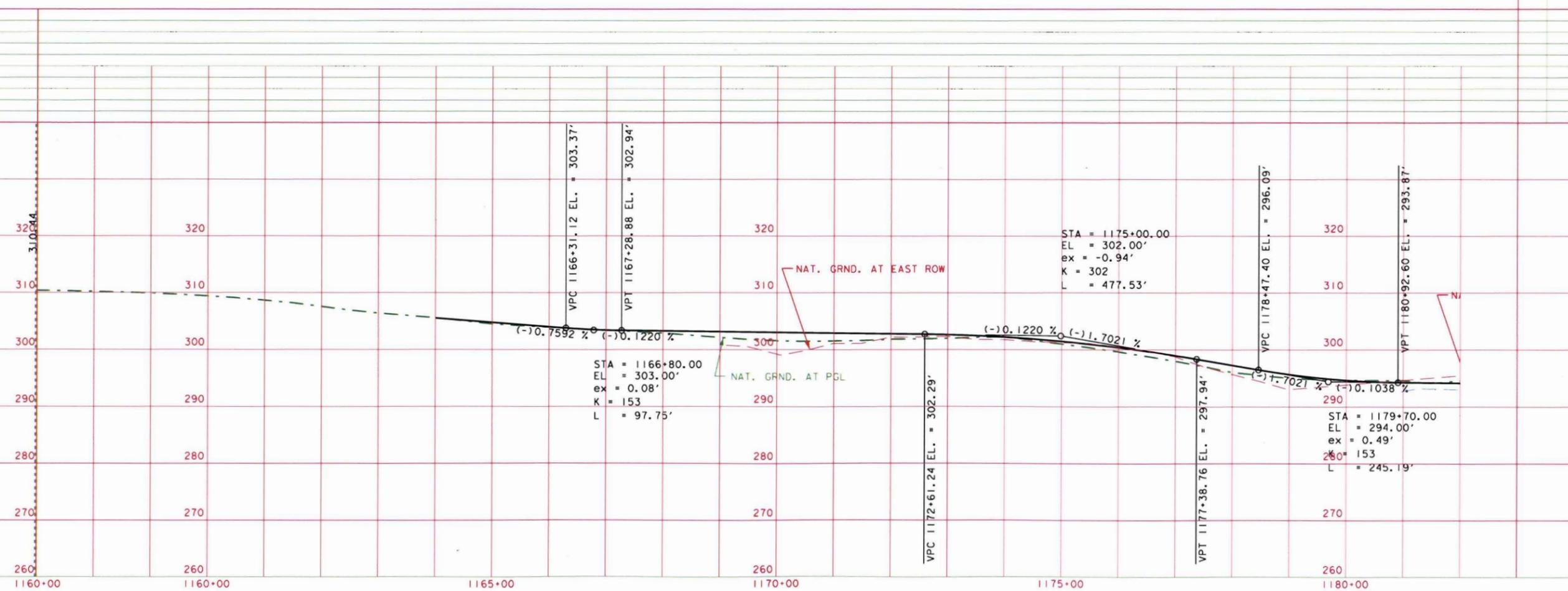
NEXT STEPS

- Public Hearing Summary.....Nov. 2007
- Final Environmental Approval...Late 2007
- Finalize Design.....2008 - 2010
- Secure Permits.....2008 - 2010
- Right-of-Way Acquisition.....2008 - 2010
- Construction.....2010 - 2013



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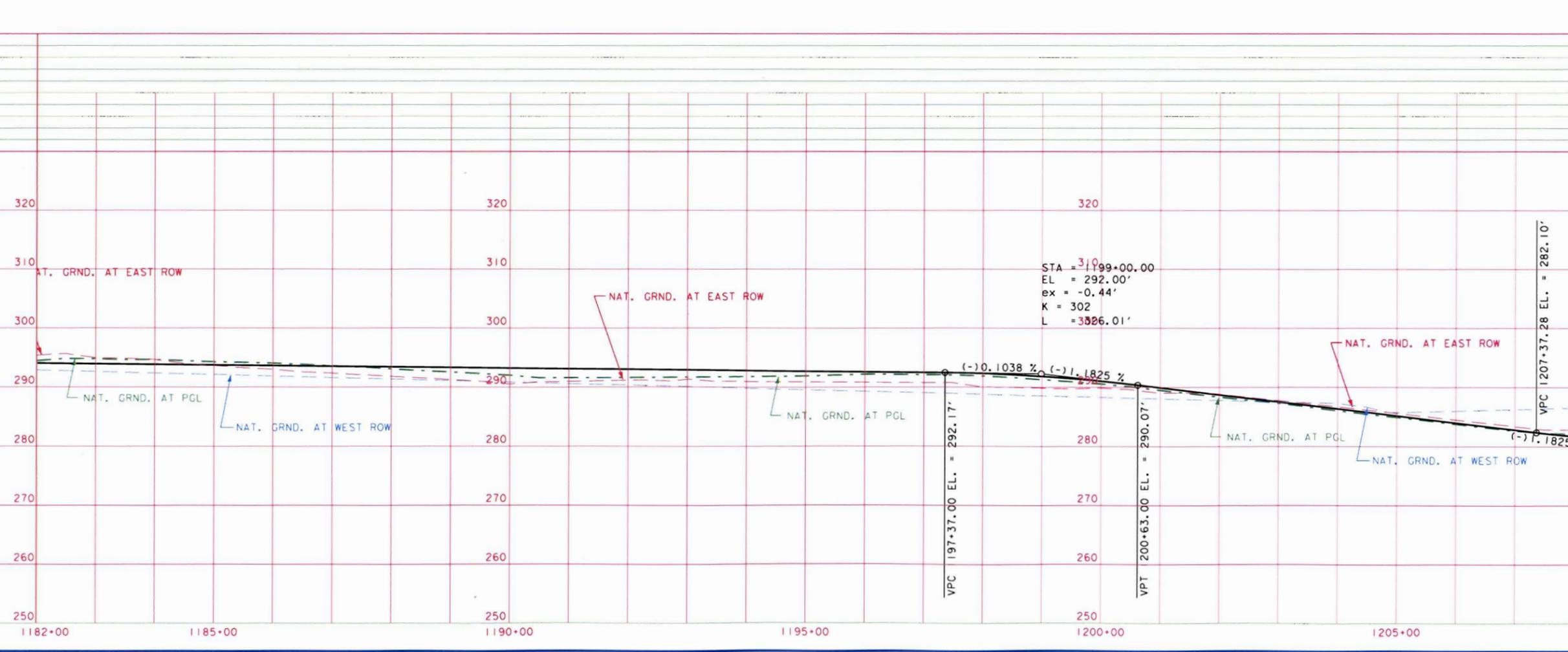
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WALLER COUNTY



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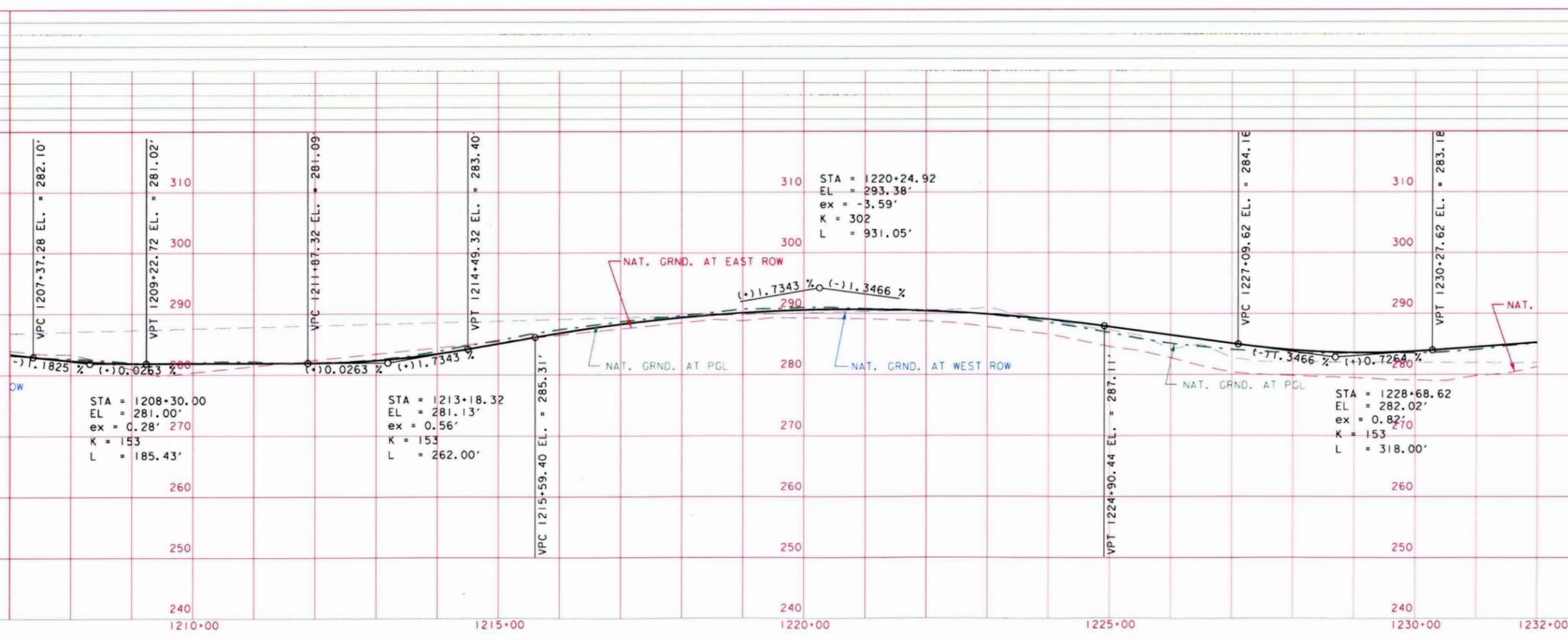
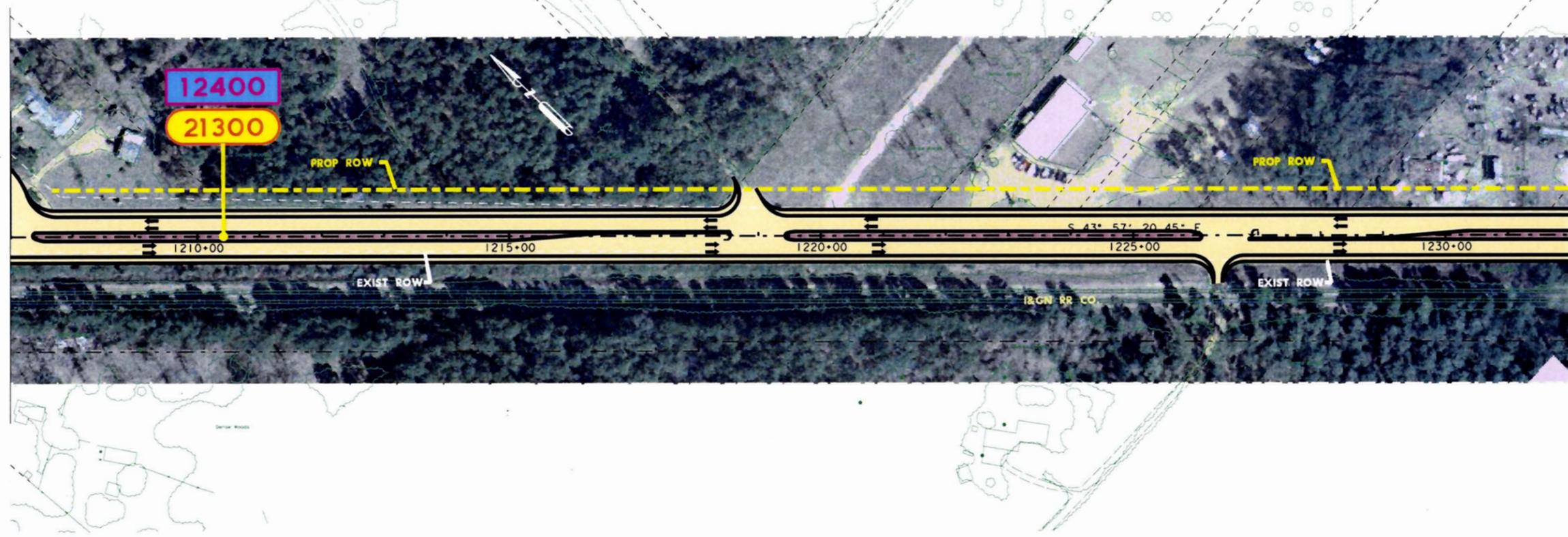
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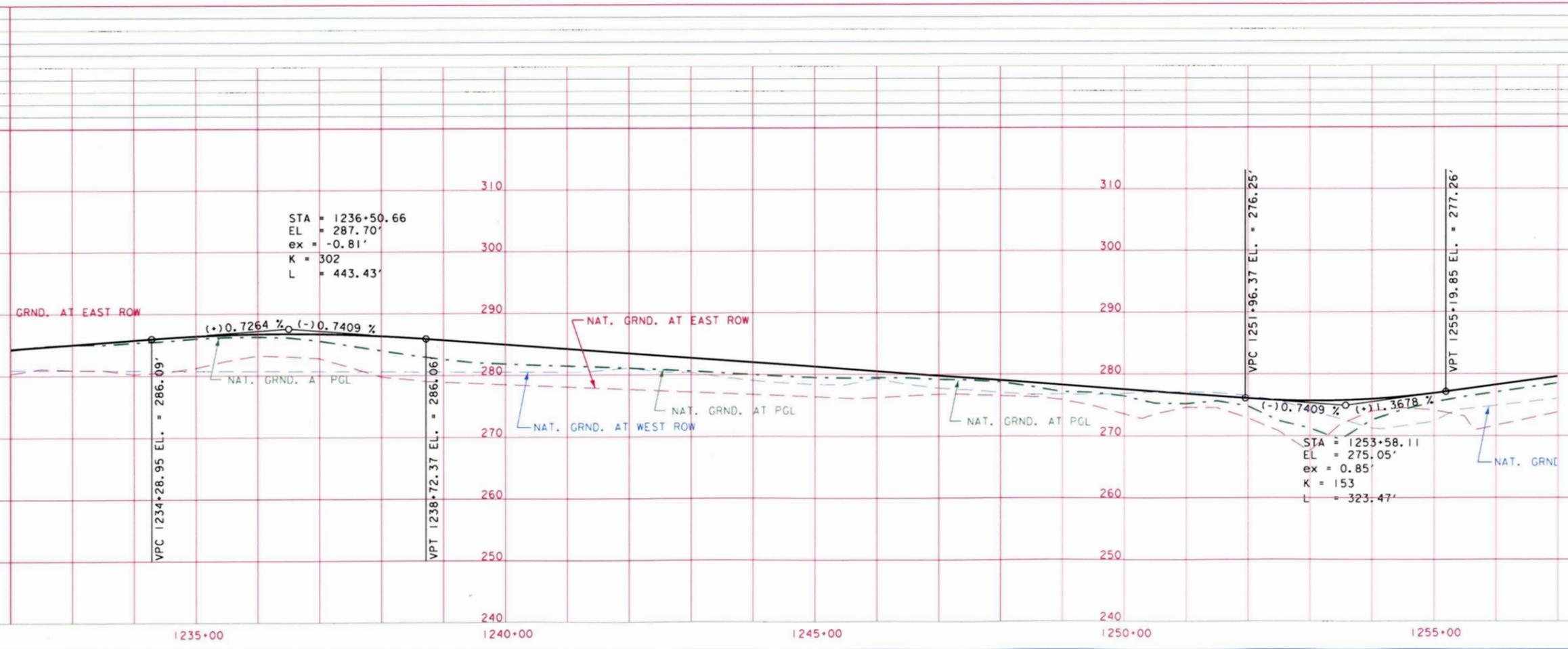
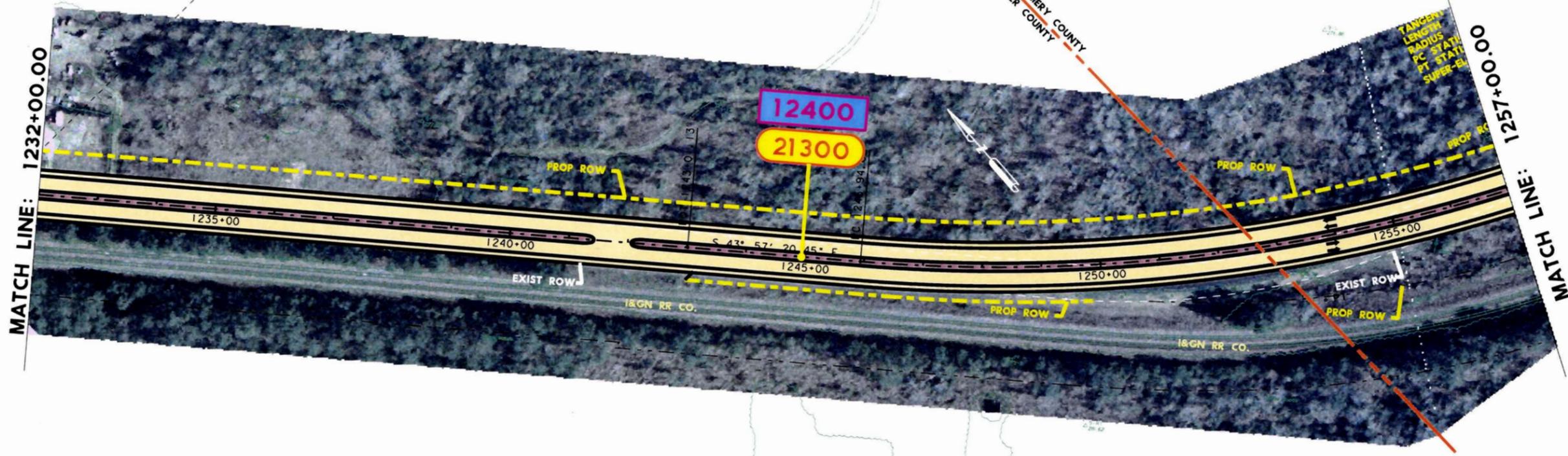
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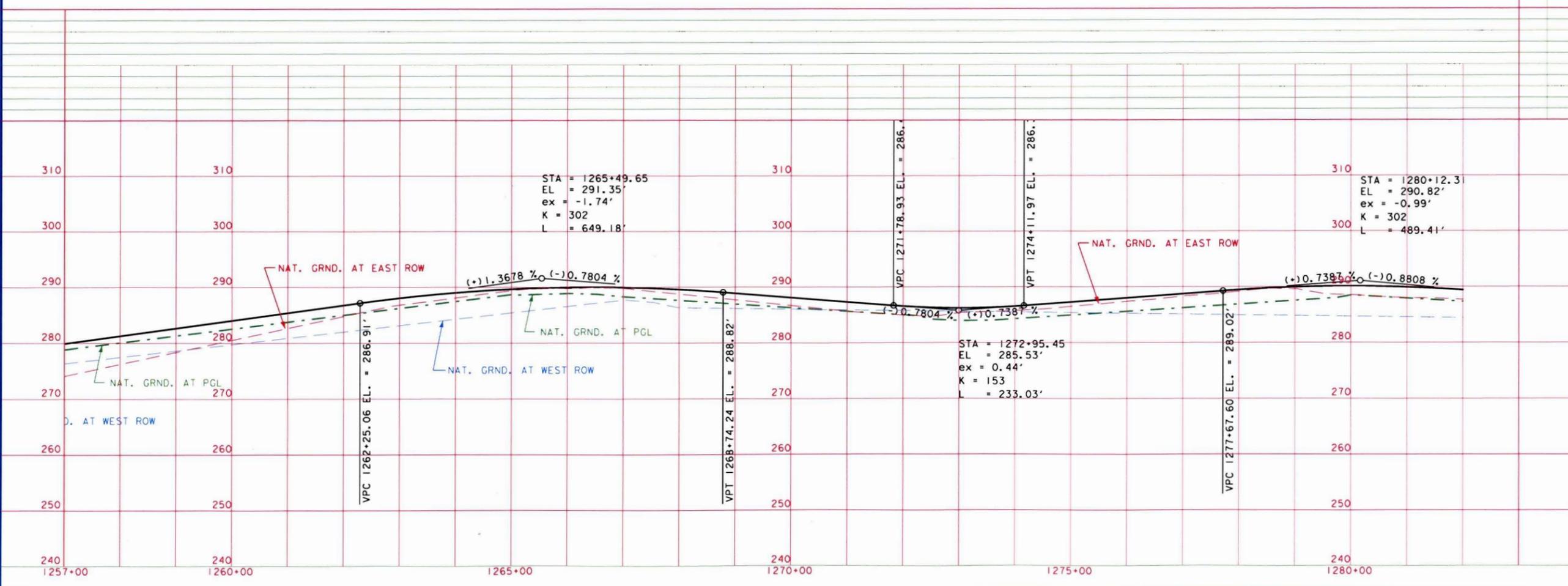
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TANGENT
LENGTH
RADIUS
PC STATION
PT STATION
SUPER-ELEVATION

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21300



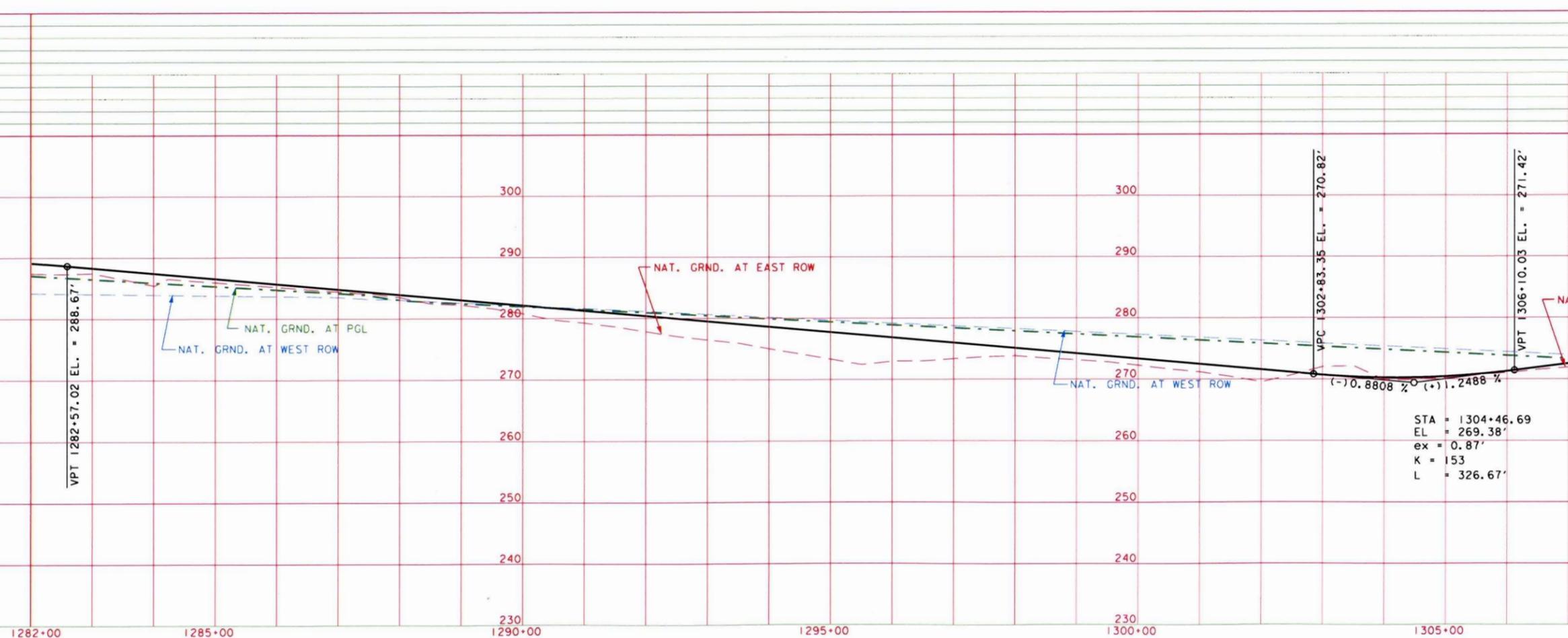
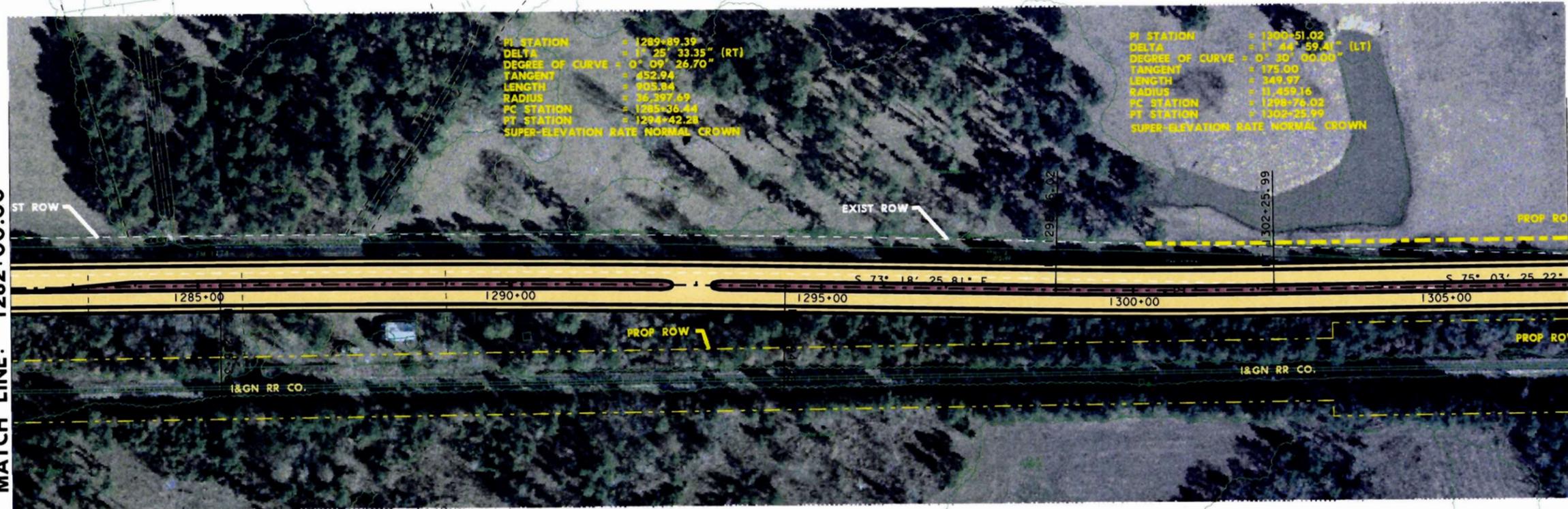
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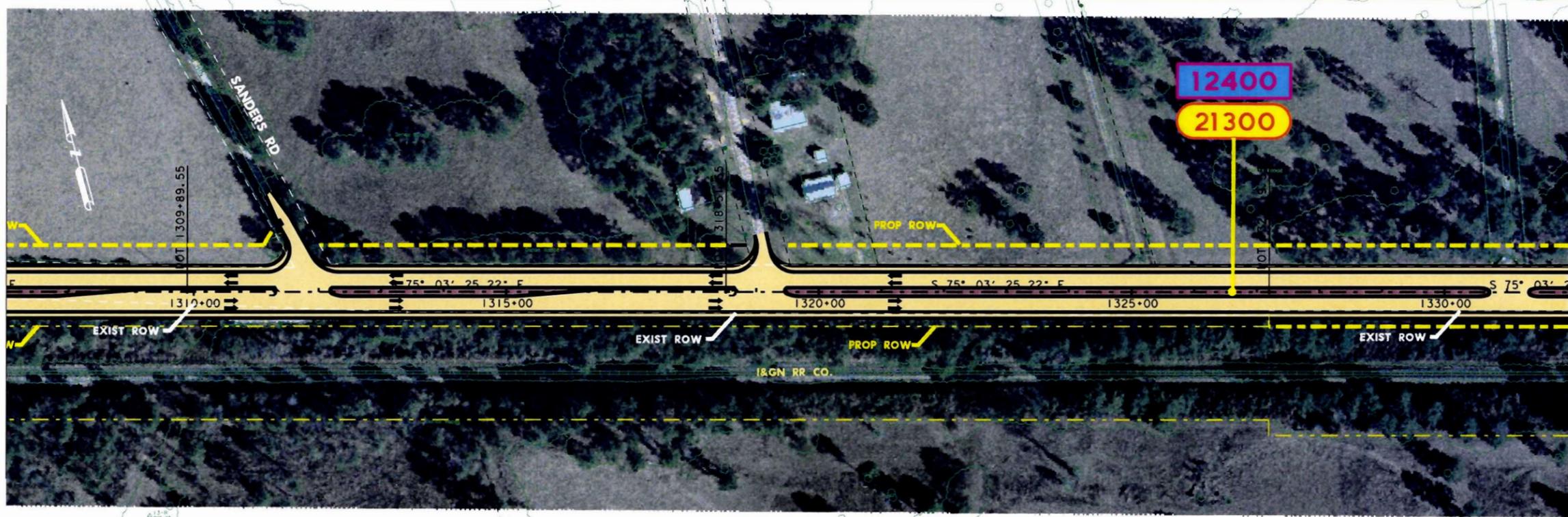
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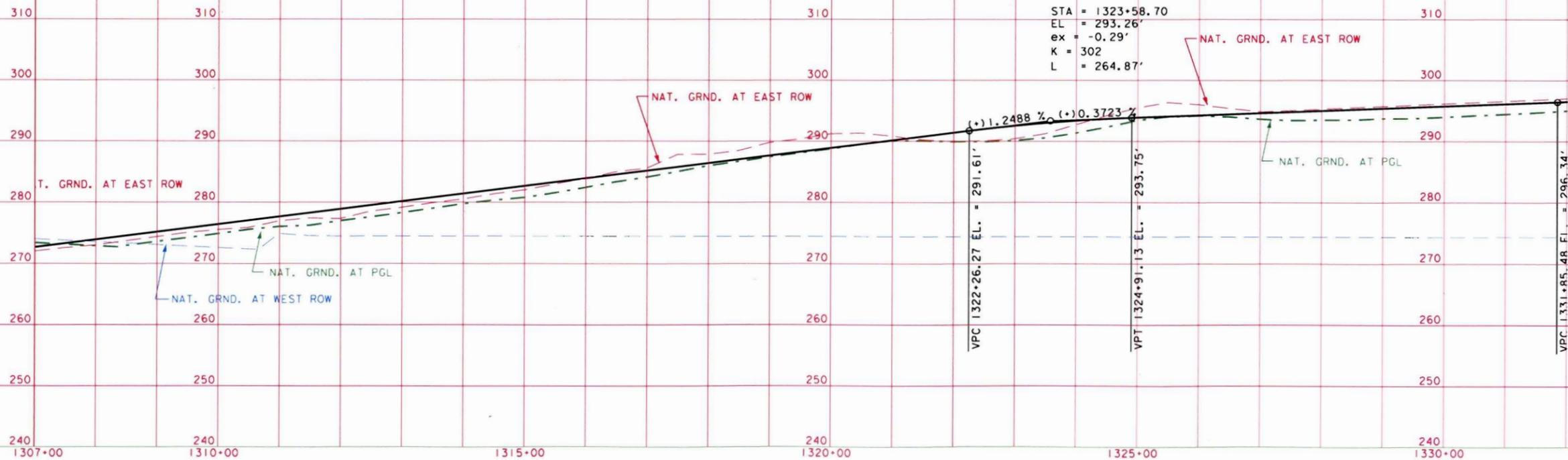


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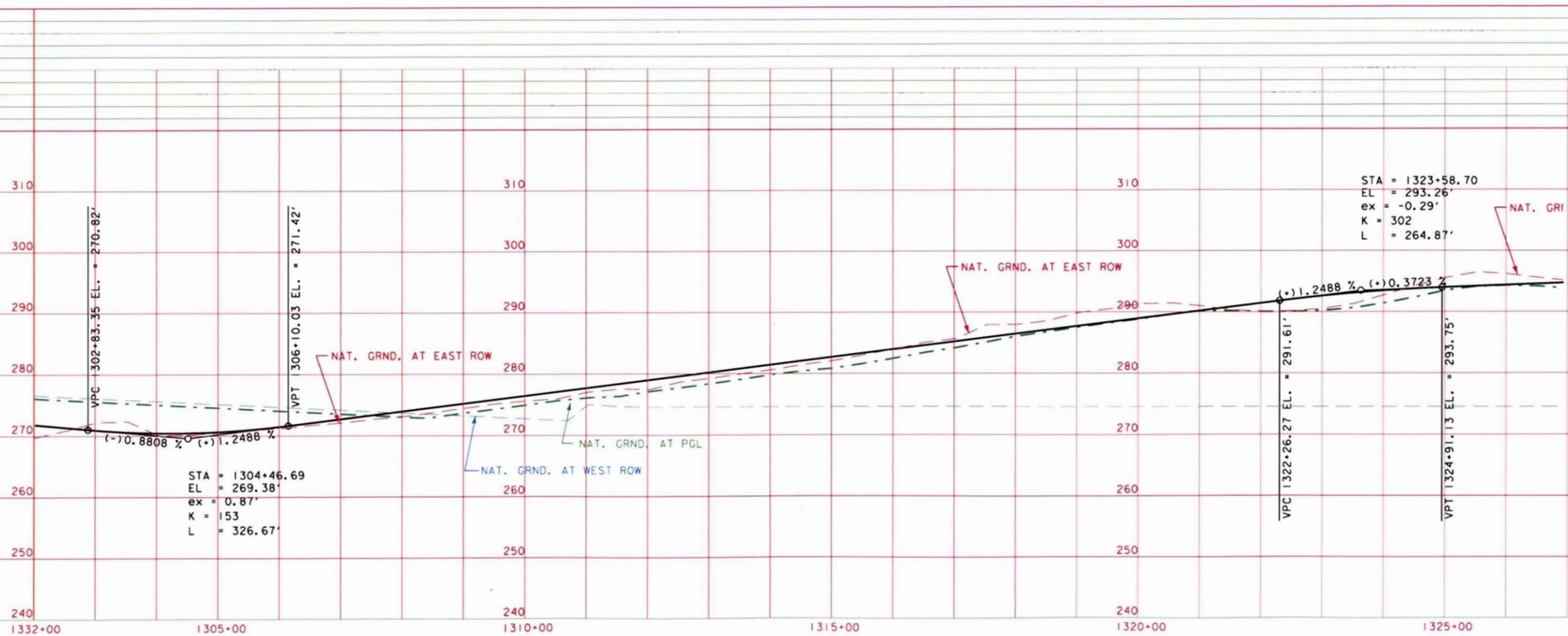


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 RADIUS = 11,459.16
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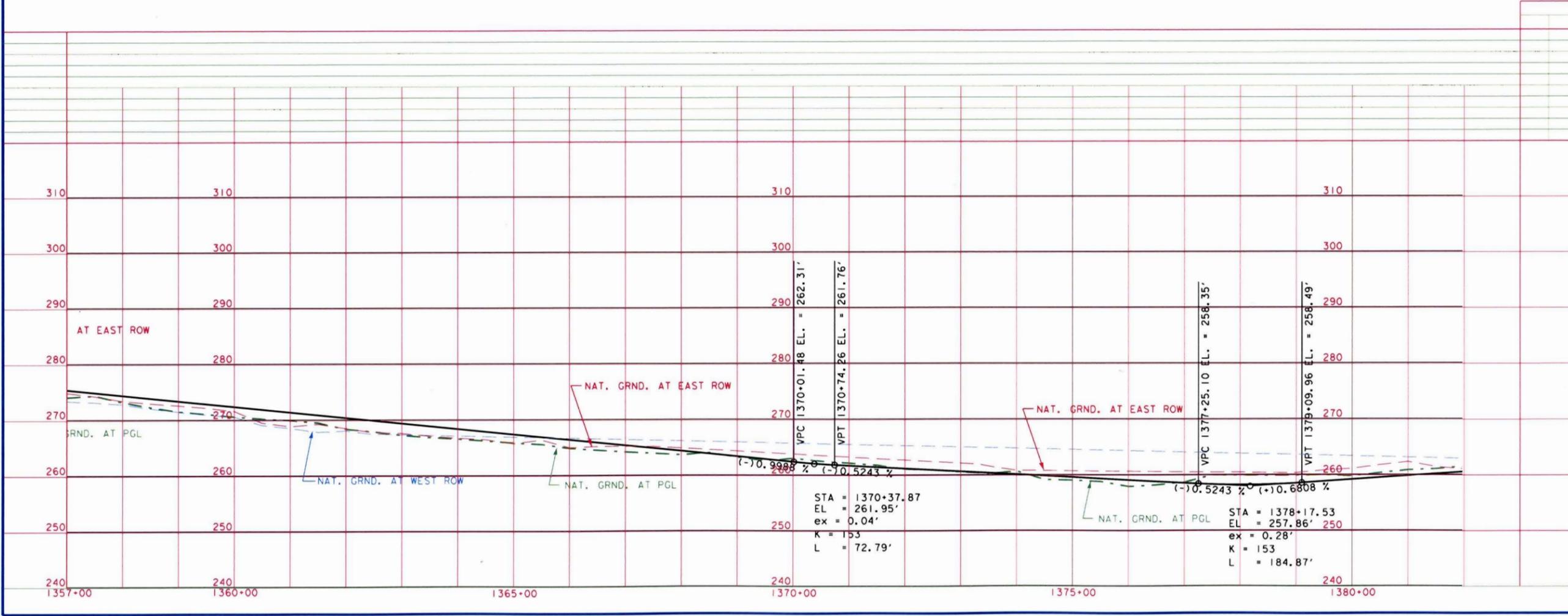
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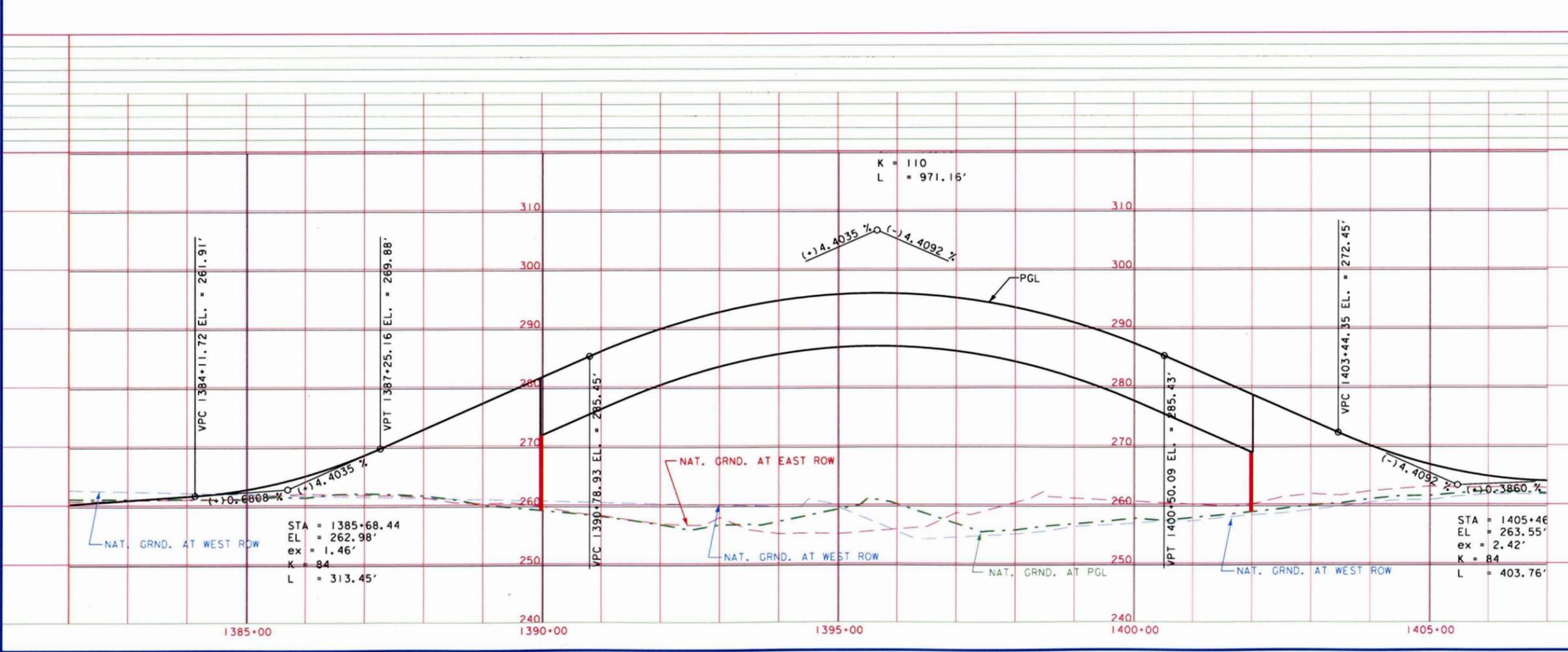
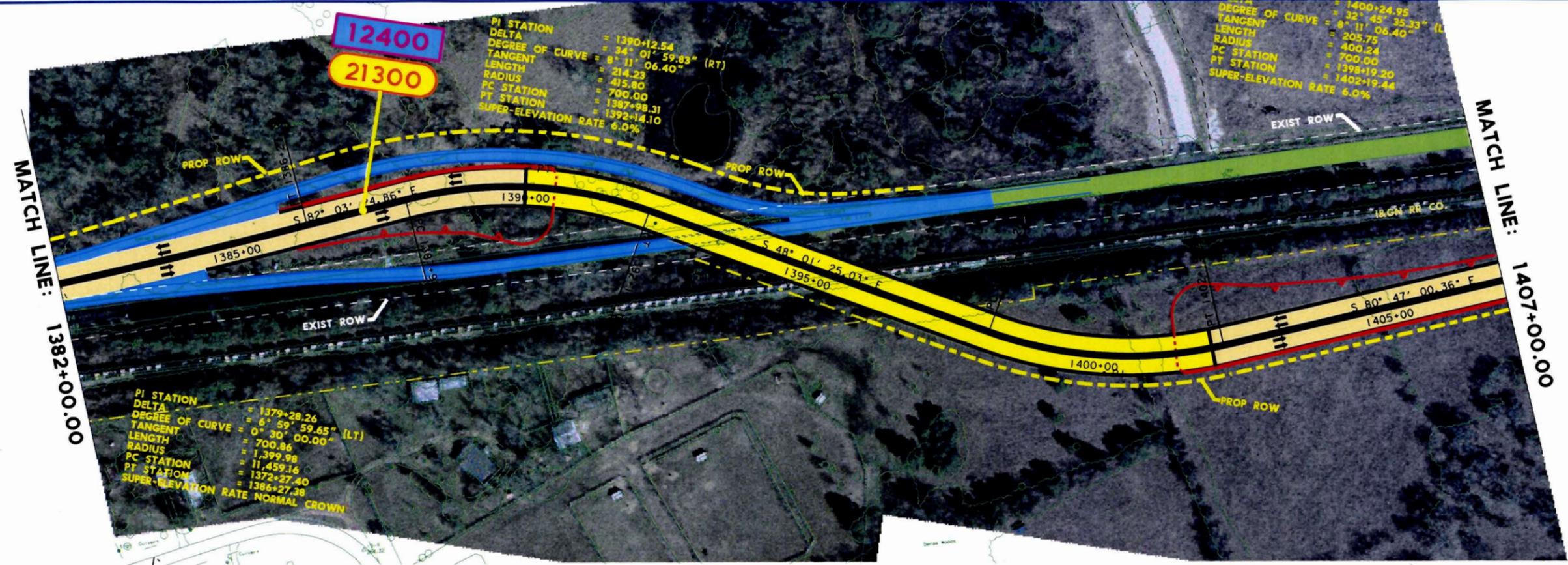
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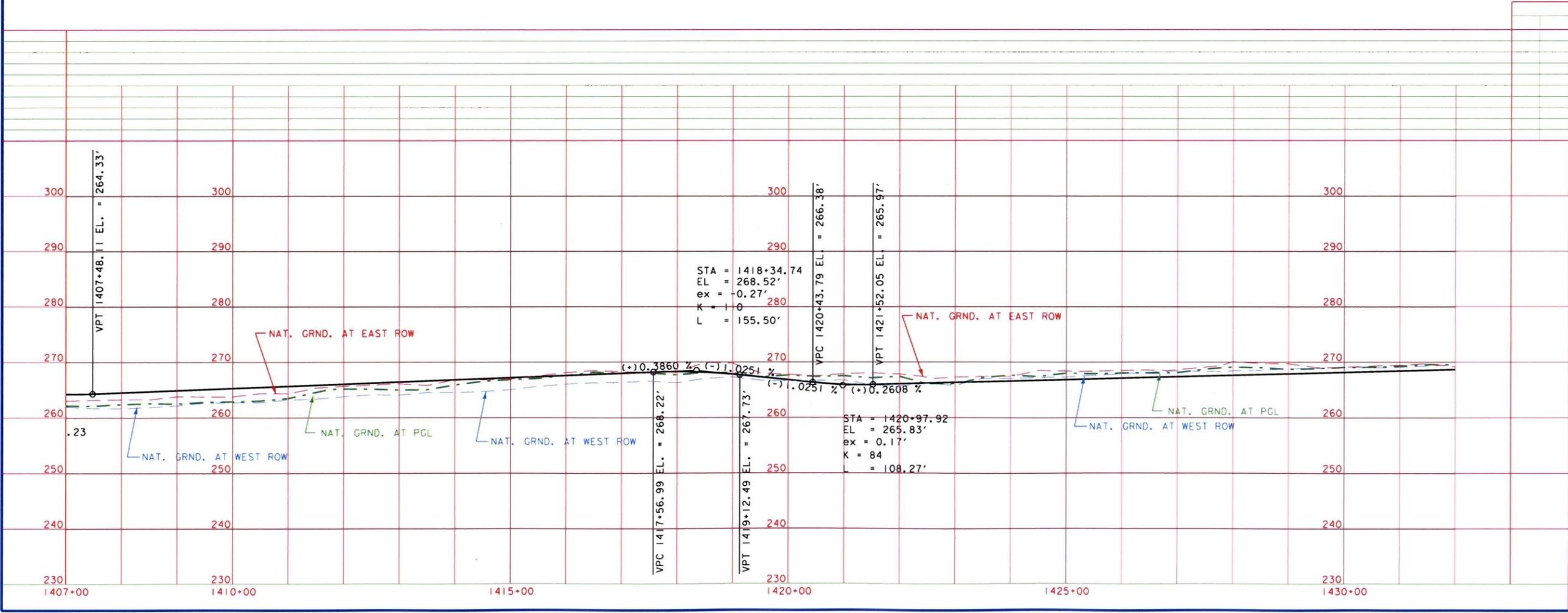
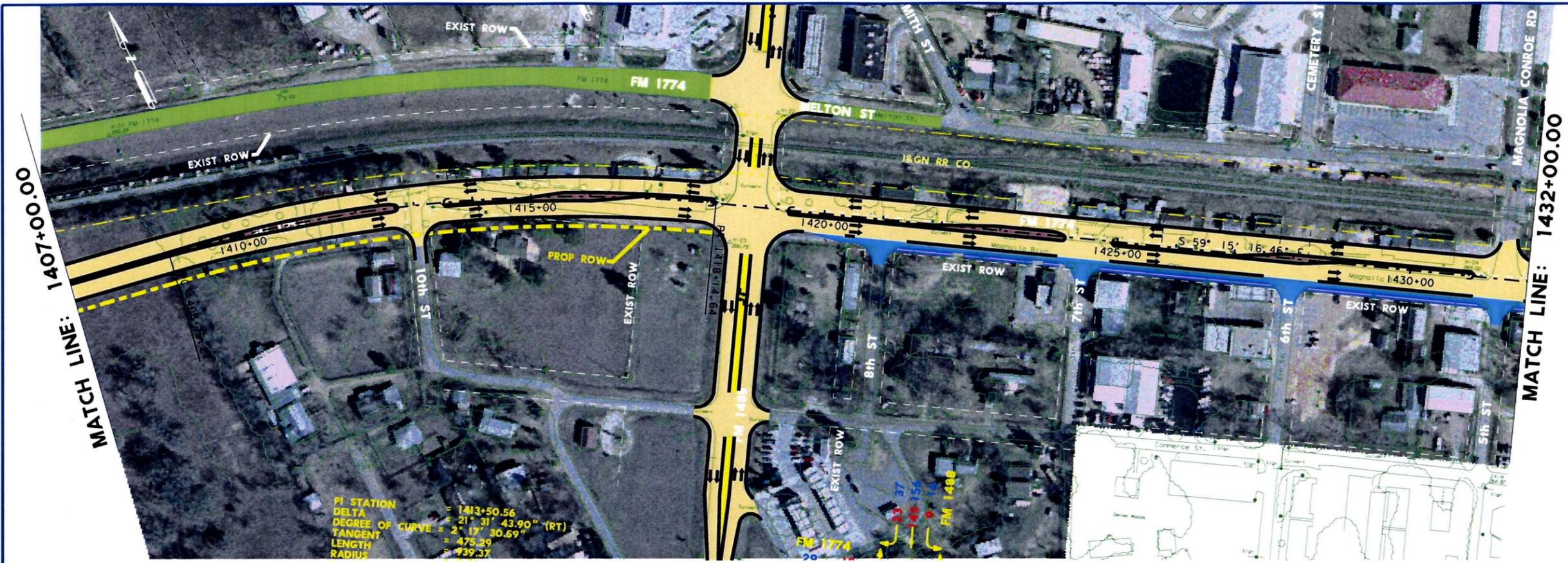
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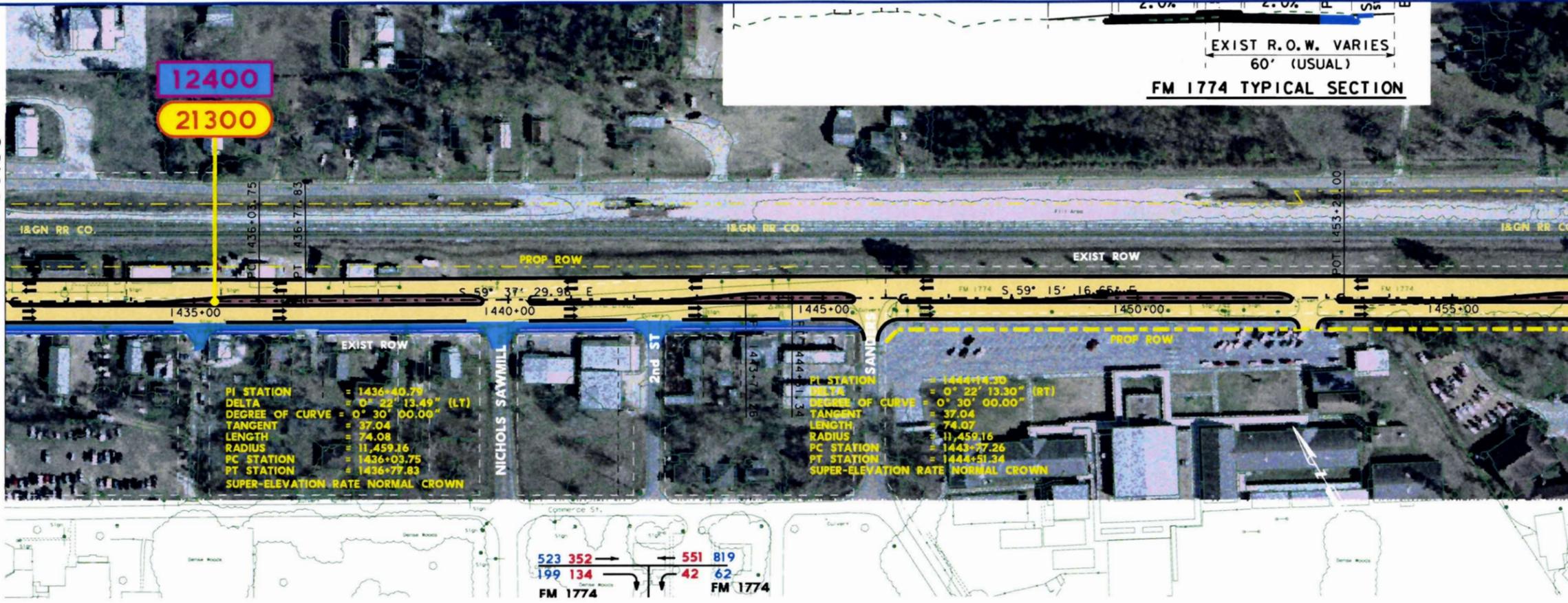
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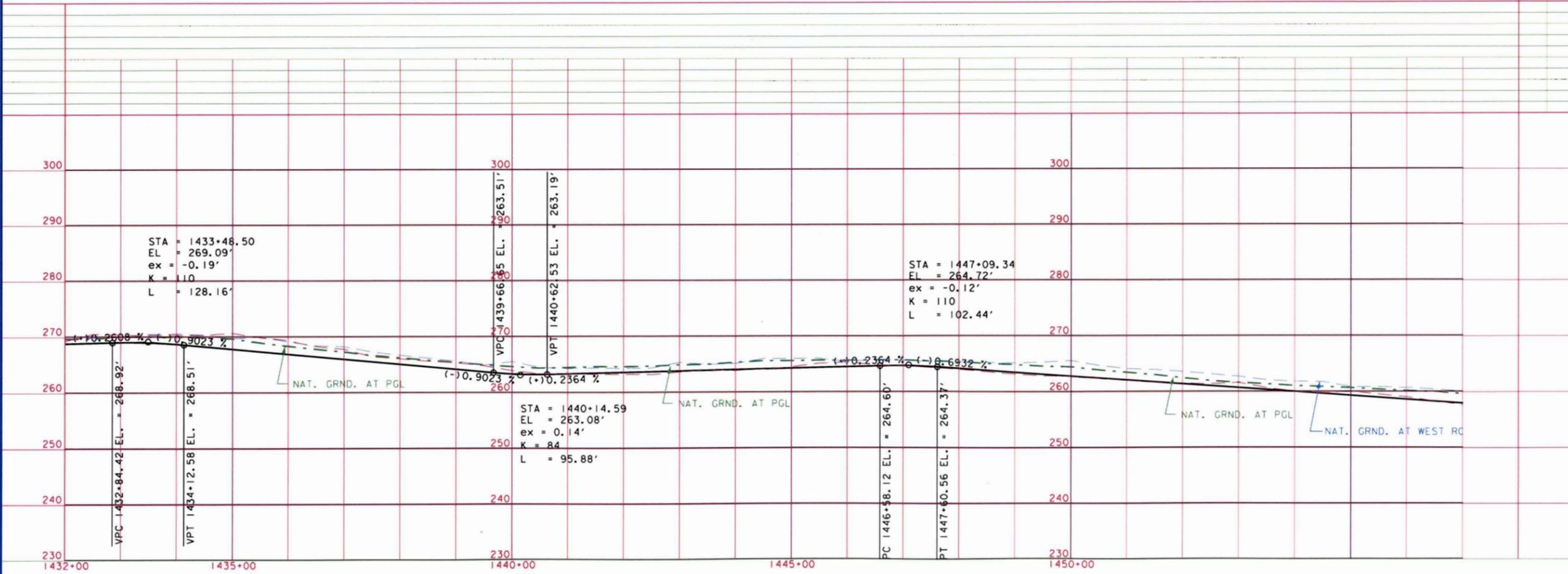
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SUPER-ELEVATION RATE NORMAL CROWN

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RADIUS = 11,459.16
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SUPER-ELEVATION RATE NORMAL CROWN

523 352 ← ← 551 819
199 134 ← ← 42 62
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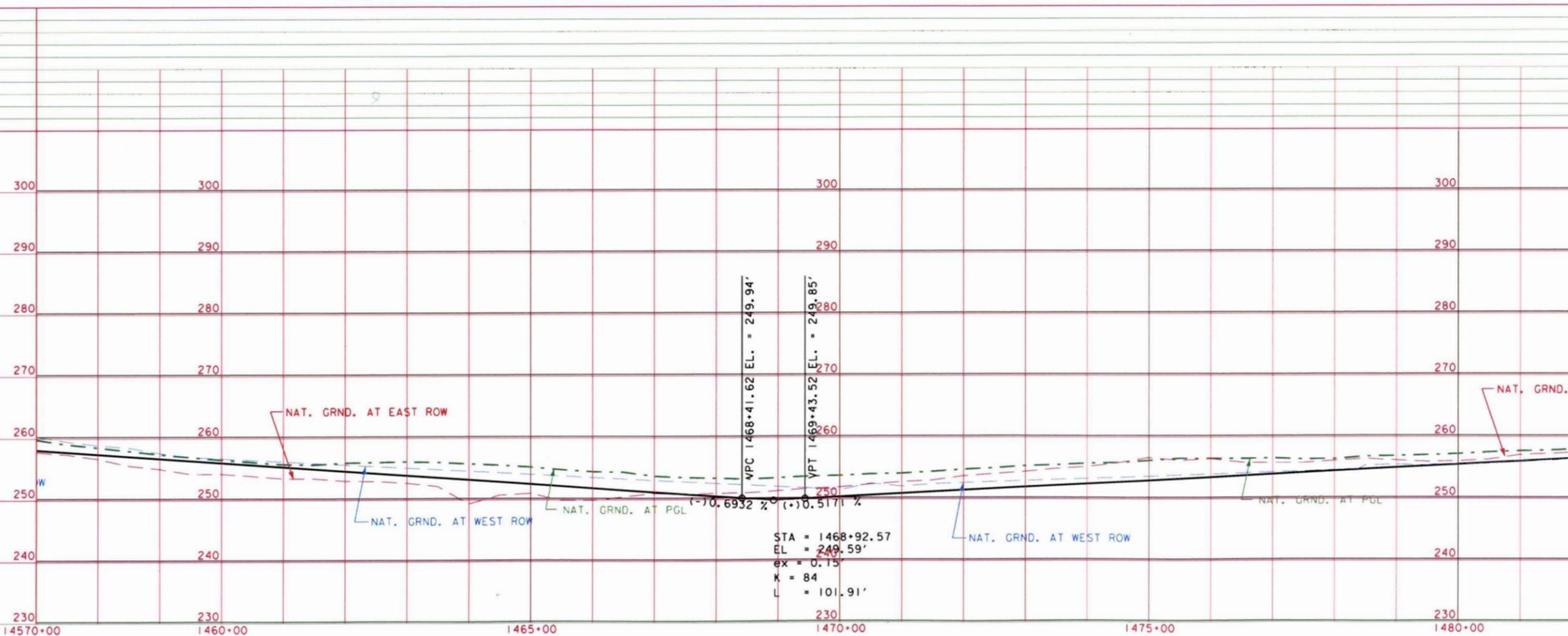
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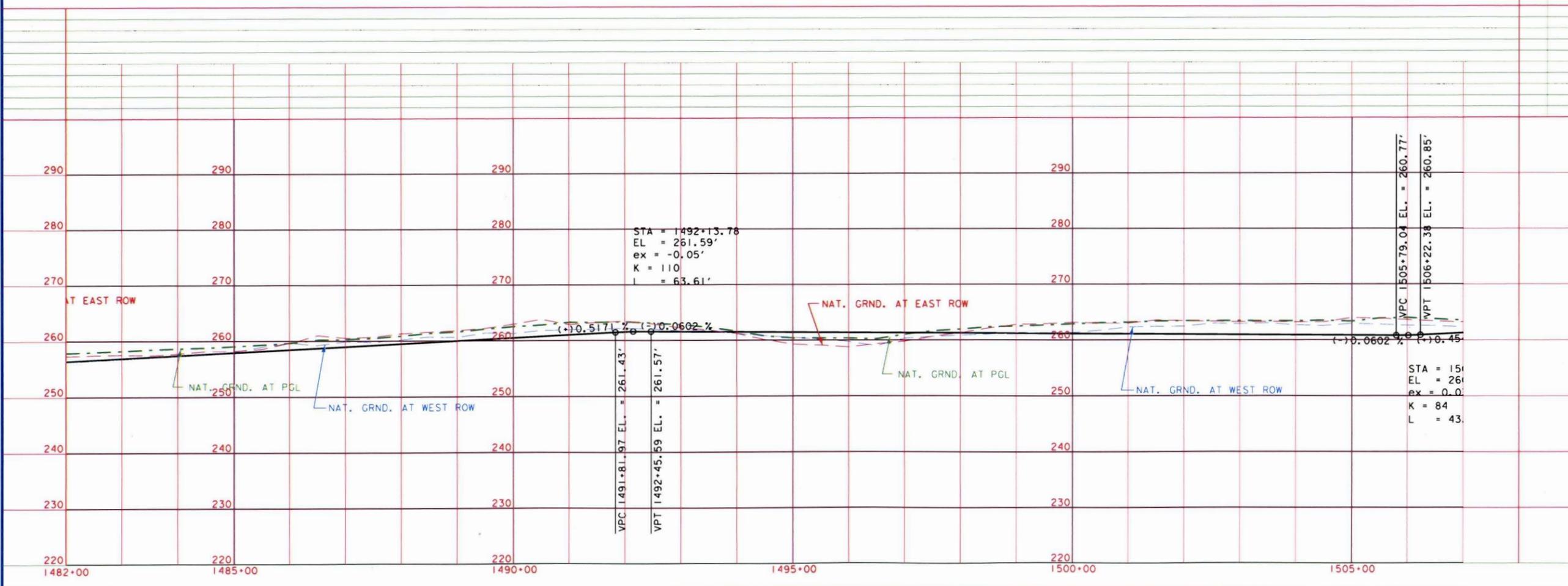
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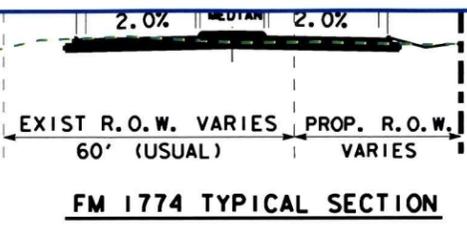
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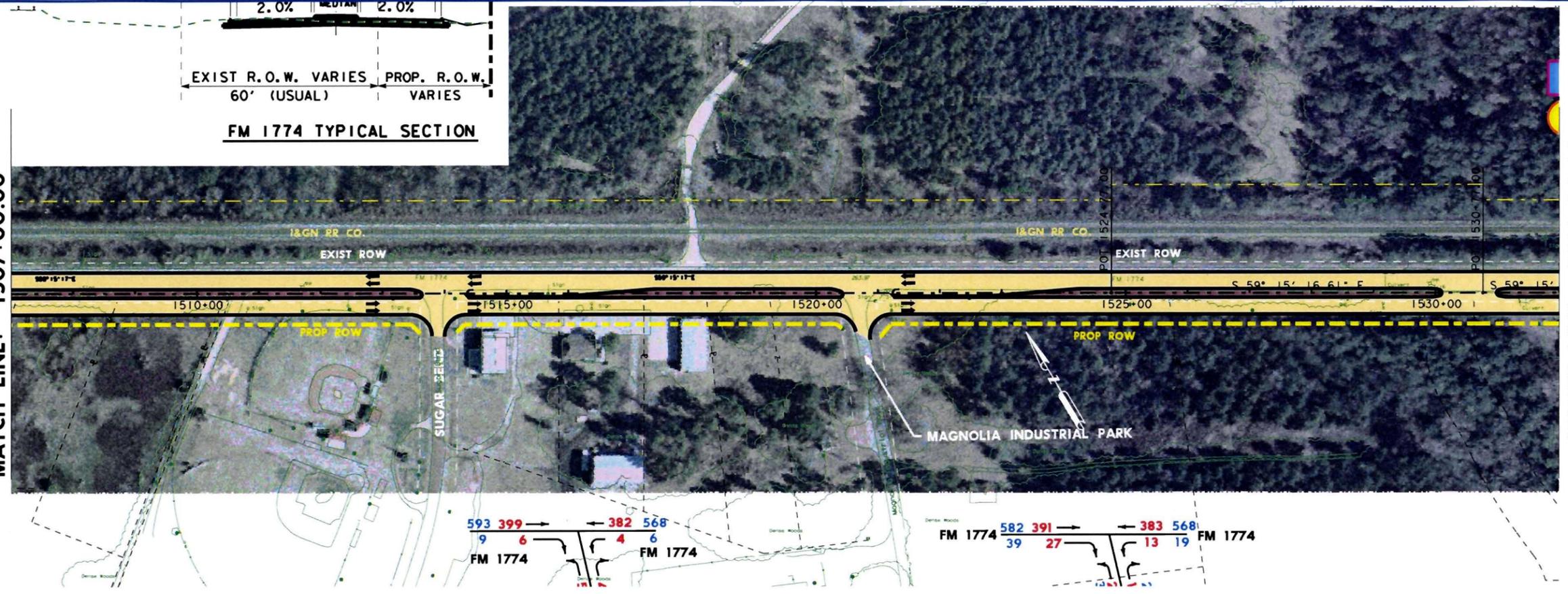
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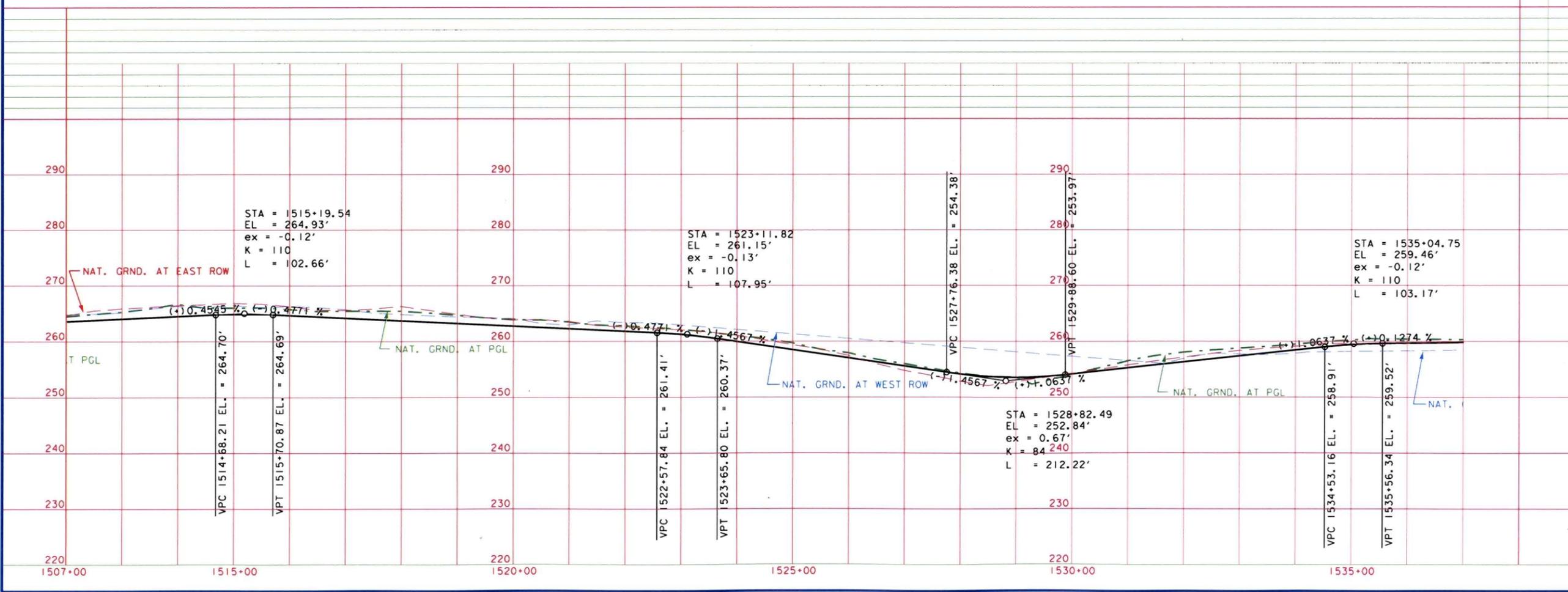
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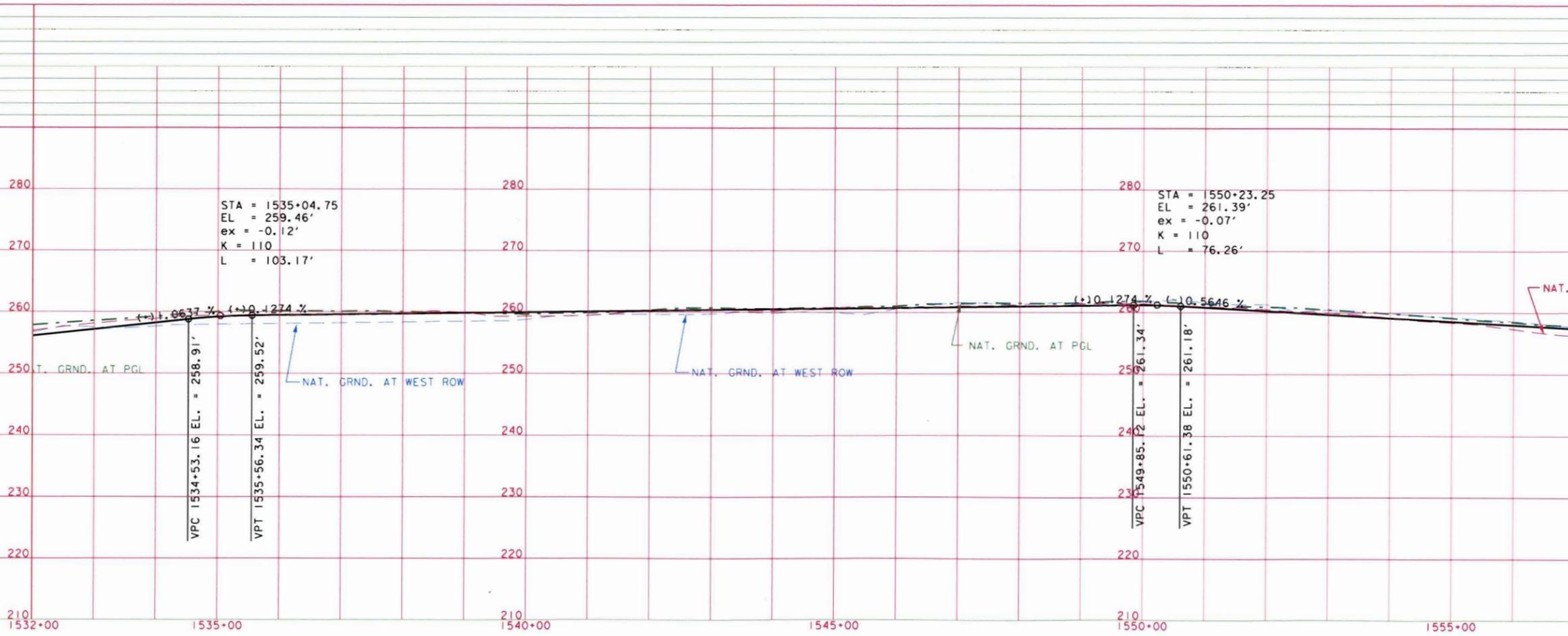
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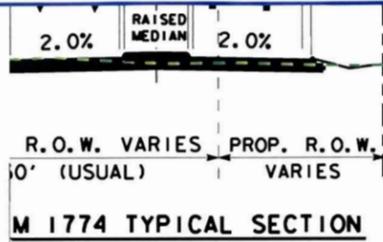
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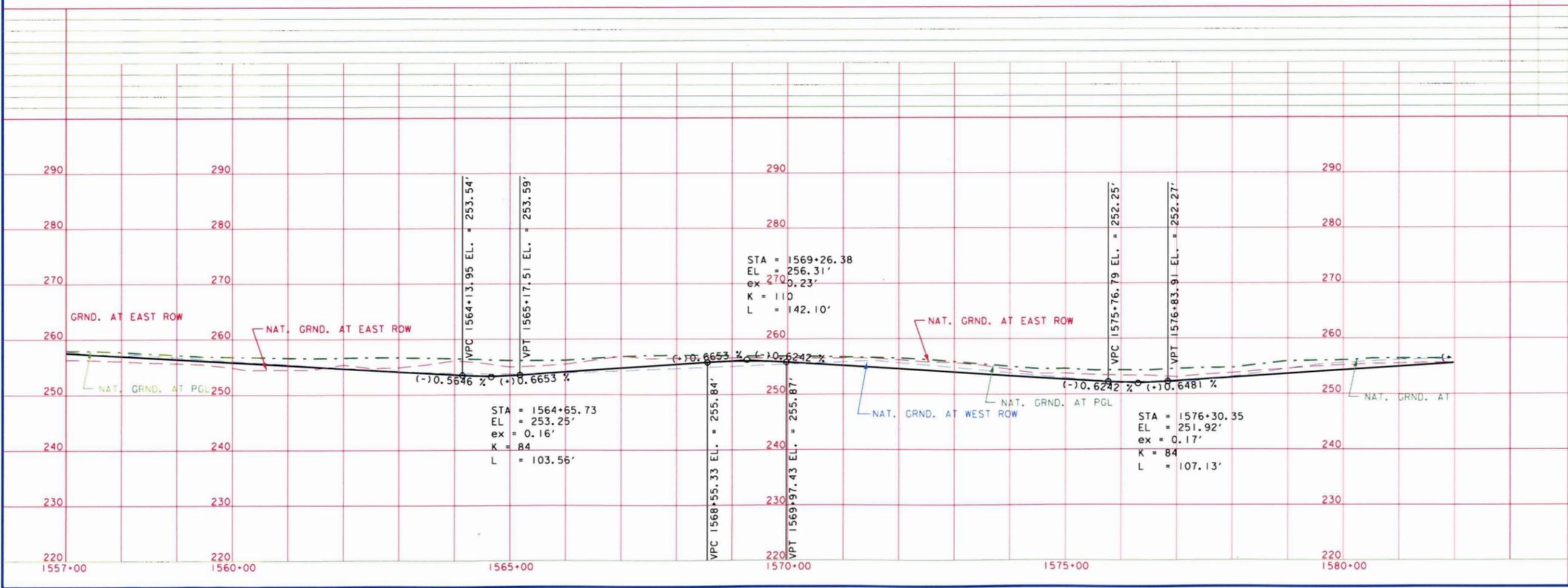


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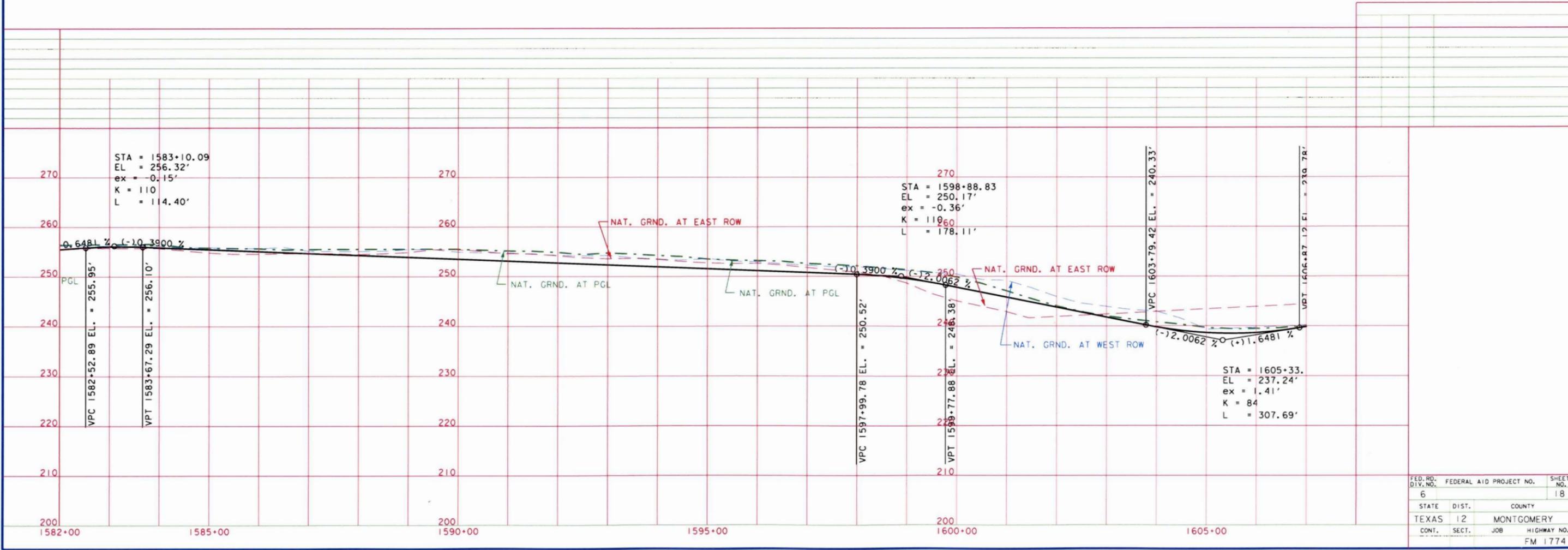
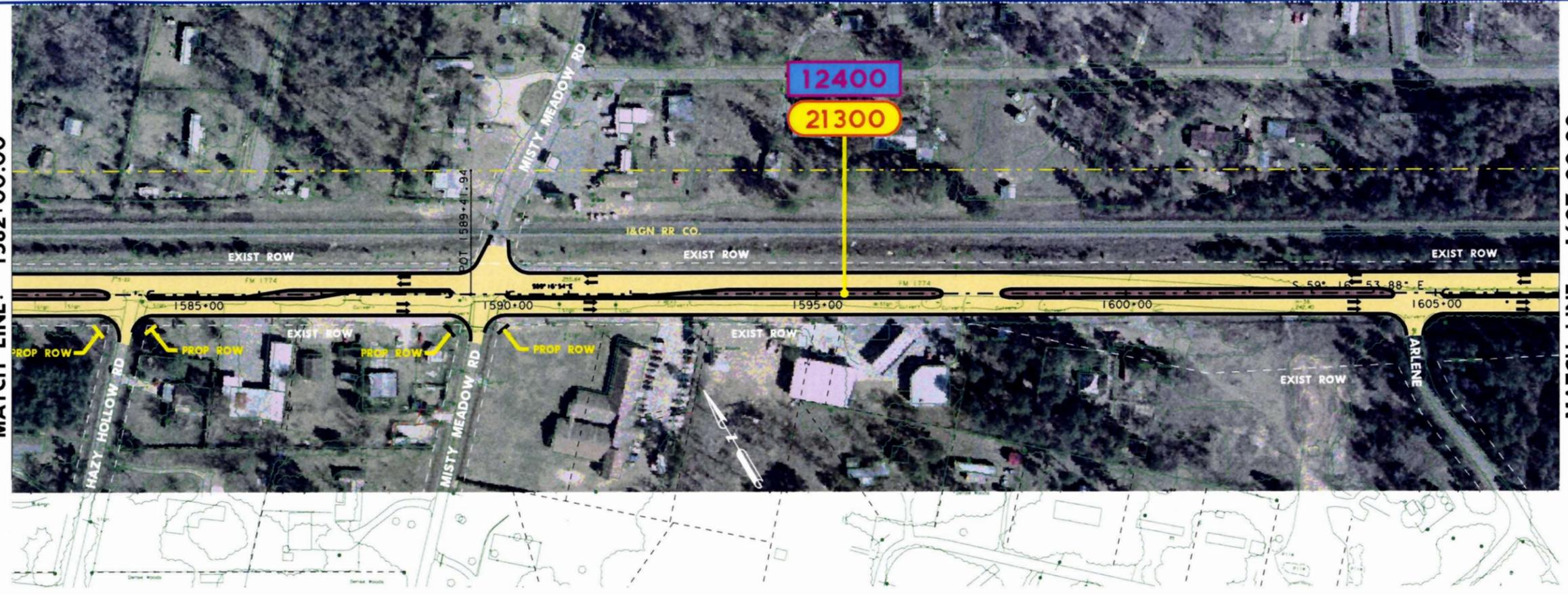
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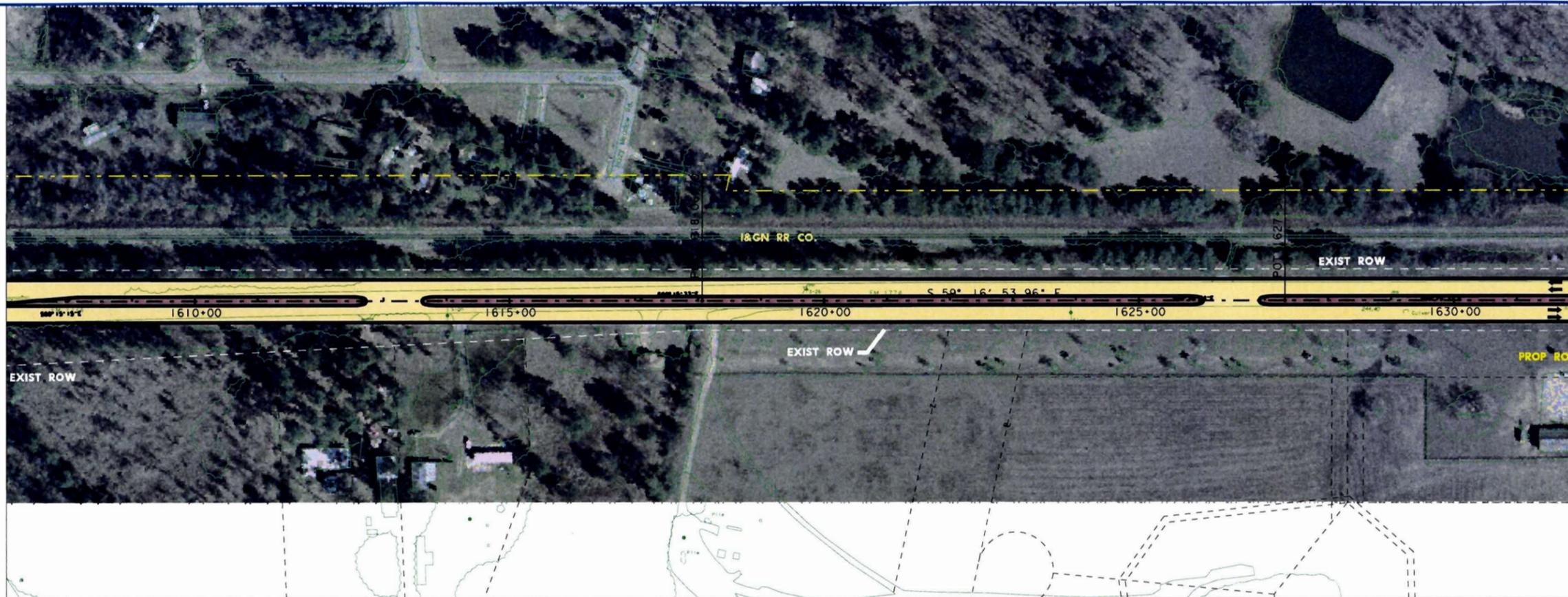
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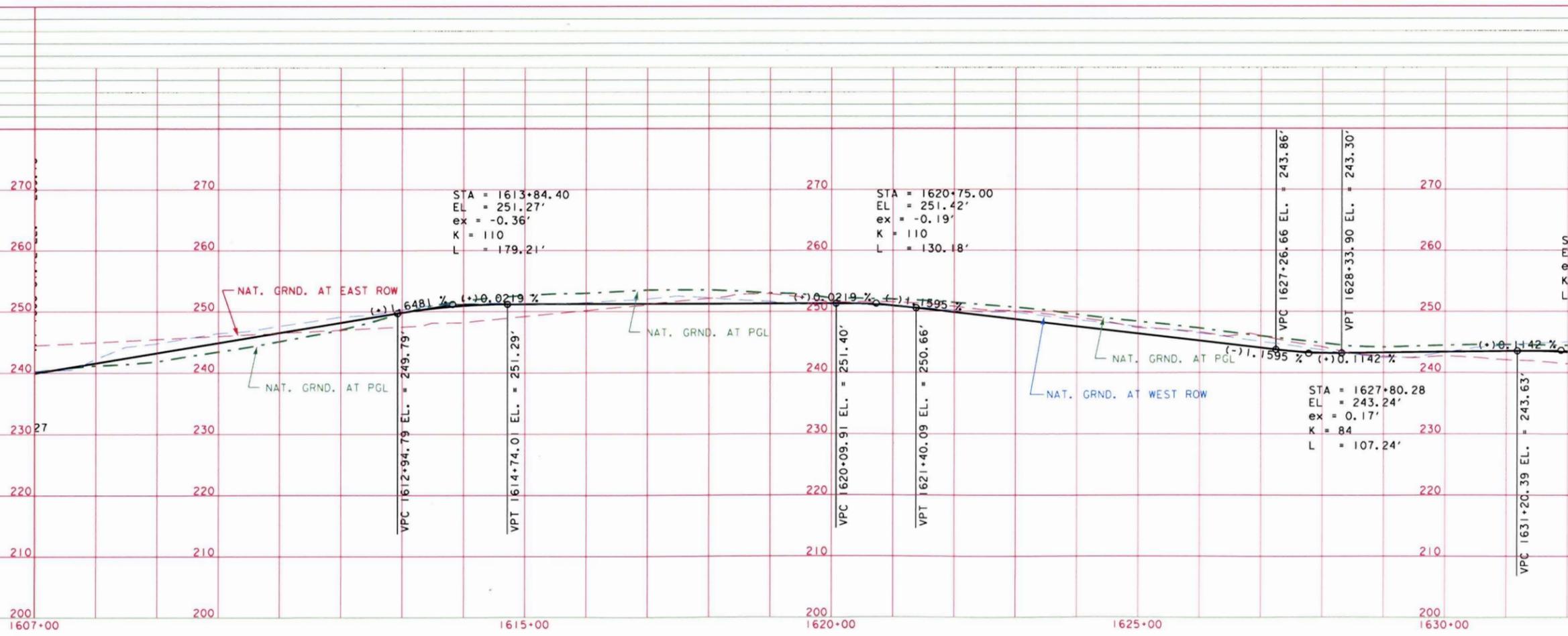


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MATCH LINE: 1632+00.00



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MATCH LINE: 1632+00.00

MATCH LINE: 1657+00.00



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 K = 110
 L = 142.17'



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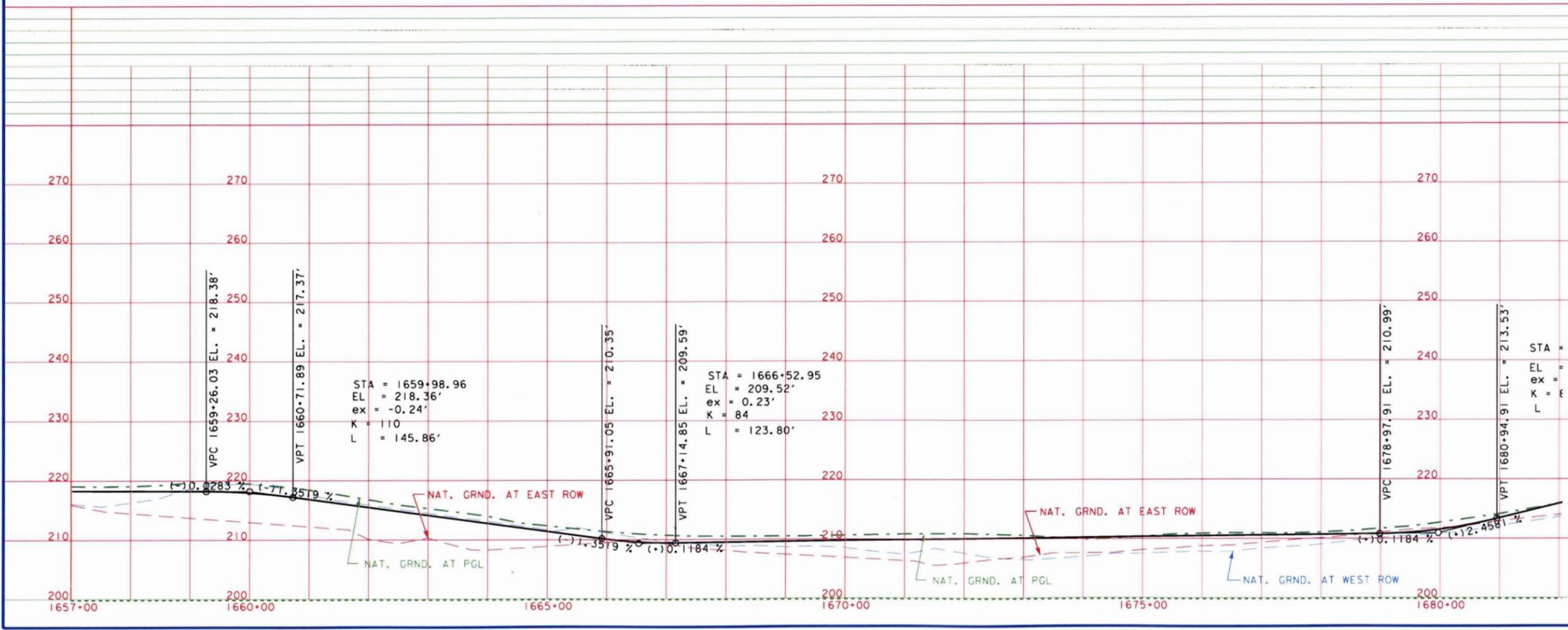
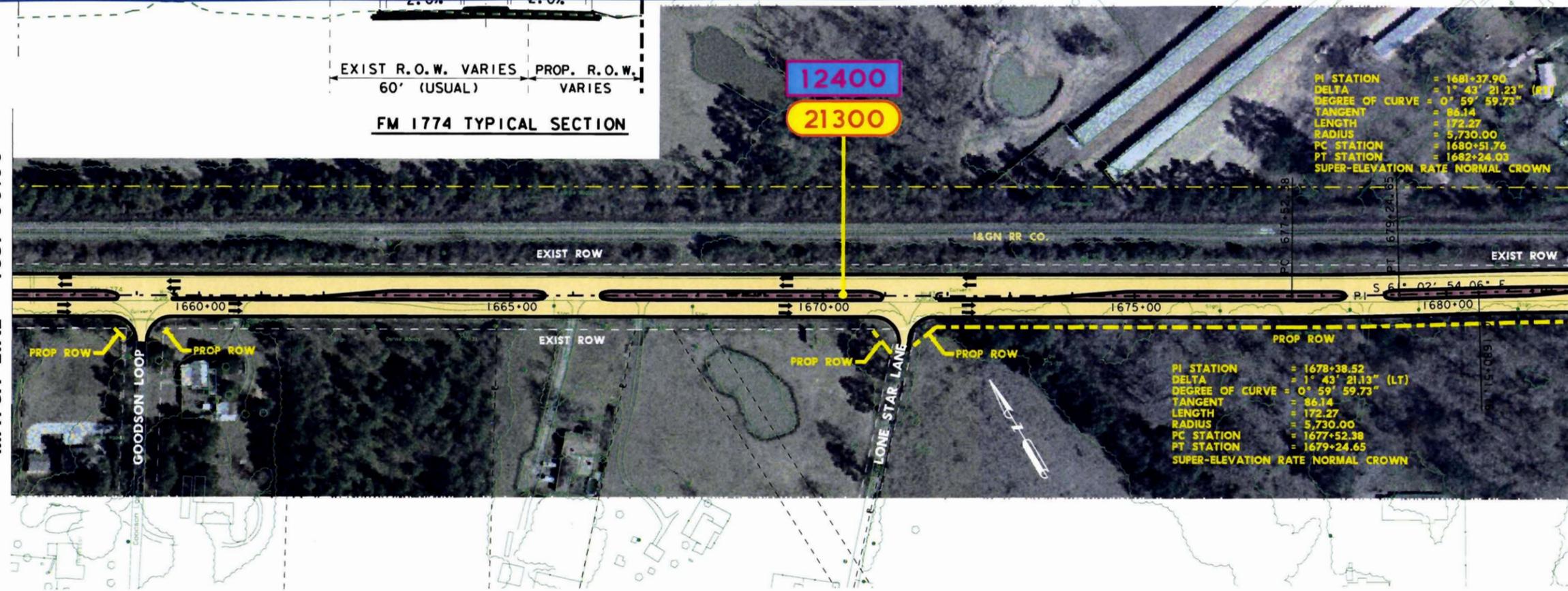
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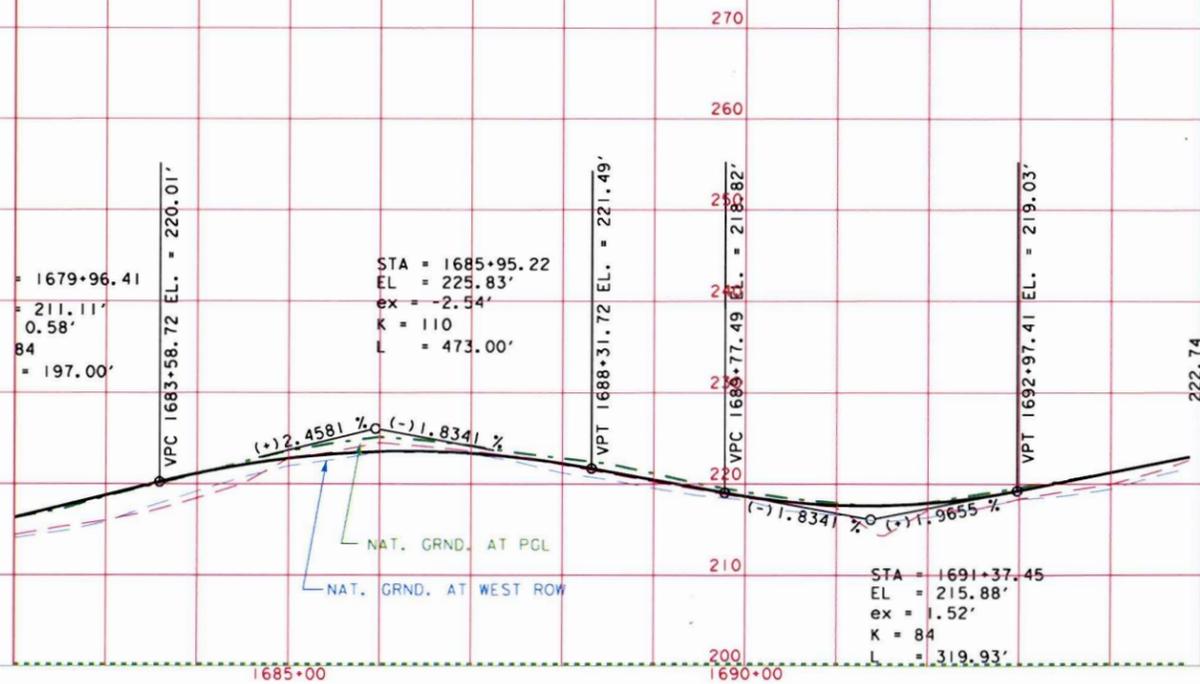
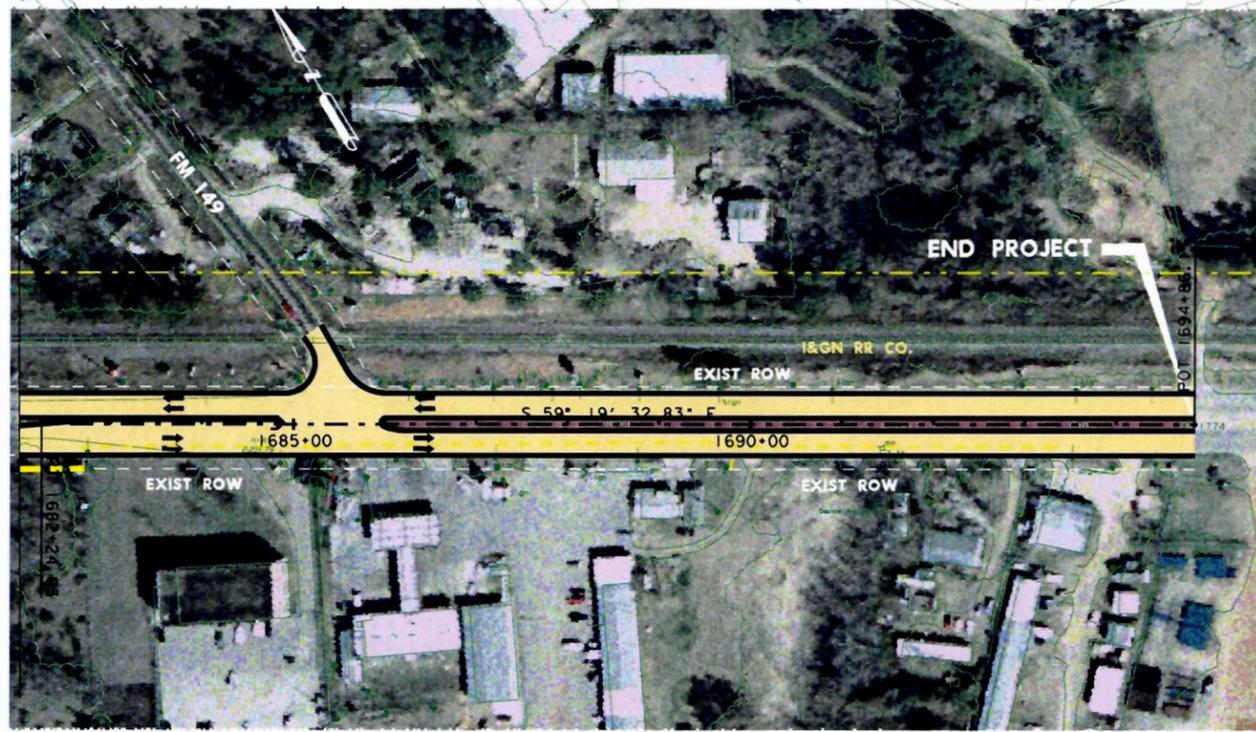
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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO FM 1774

HELD ON AUGUST 9, 2007

1 MR. JOHNSON: Good evening. Let's be
2 seated, please. My name is Gabe Johnson. I'm the director
3 of Transportation Planning and Development for Texas
4 Department of Transportation, Houston District. Today is
5 August 9, 2007, and the time is 7:00 p.m. We will
6 convene this public hearing at the First Baptist Church
7 of Magnolia for proposed improvements to FM 1774 from
8 Mill Creek Drive in Waller County to FM 149 in Montgomery
9 County. The purpose of this public hearing is to present
10 the recommended alternative for the proposed widening of
11 FM 1774, to receive public comments, and to meet the
12 requirements of Section 4(f) of the Department of
13 Transportation Act and Chapter 26 of the Parks and
14 Wildlife Code for impacts to parklands.

15 This public hearing is being recorded by a
16 certified court reporter for a formal public record. You
17 may have noticed the sign-in tables as you walked in the
18 church. If you haven't already done so, please sign in
19 before you leave tonight. The sign-in sheets will allow
20 us to record tonight's participation and gives you an
21 opportunity to be added to our project mailing list.

22 The public comment section will begin
23 following the presentations. We will not answer
24 questions during the presentation or public comment
25 session, but we will be available to answer your

1 questions following the comment period. The public
2 hearing will adjourn after the oral comments have been
3 heard.

4 The proposed improvements to FM 1774 will
5 upgrade ten miles of the existing highway from a two-lane
6 to a four-lane facility with a raised median and
7 construct a grade separation over the Union Pacific
8 railroad to the City of Magnolia. The improvements will
9 increase safety, access, and mobility for the traveling
10 public.

11 A public meeting was held for proposed
12 improvements to FM 1774 on February 26, 2004, to receive
13 input on this project. A total of 77 property owners,
14 business owners, and City and County officials attended
15 the public meeting. Twenty-one written comments were
16 received. The appropriate environmental studies have
17 been completed; and we have received authority to go to
18 the next step of project development, which is this
19 public hearing.

20 Notices of the public hearing were
21 advertised in the Houston Chronicle on July 10th, 17th,
22 24th, and 31st, 2007, and in Magnolia Potpourri on July
23 11th, August 1st, 2007.

24 At this time I would like to recognize the
25 elected officials in attendance with us tonight:

1 Mr. David Sutherland, councilmember, City of Magnolia,
2 Frank Parker for VCV Magnolia, Anderson Brown,
3 Commissioner ESD 10, Anthony Williams, Magnolia City
4 Council No. 5, J. A. Williams, 4A and 4B EDC Planning,
5 and John Browning, Magnolia Councilman No. 2. I
6 appreciate your attendance.

7 Following the presentation you will be
8 offered the opportunity to present your comments for the
9 official record. If you would like to comment but do not
10 wish to comment verbally tonight or if you wish to
11 comment in more detail, you may submit your comments in
12 writing. Written comments must be postmarked by August
13 19, 2007. We have provided orange comment boxes if you
14 choose to leave your completed comment form tonight.
15 Your comments may also be sent electronically to the
16 e-mail address shown on the slide.

17 At this time I would like to introduce
18 people who will be presenting the project information to
19 you this evening. Mr. Manny Francisco to my left, TxDOT
20 project manager, will be presenting the project
21 description and geometric design. And Mr. Dick McGucken
22 of HNTB Corporation will be discussing the environmental
23 studies that have been conducted. Mr. Francisco.

24 MR. FRANCISCO: Thank you, Gabe. Good
25 evening. I am the project manager. The proposed project

1 would begin at Mill Creek Drive in Waller County just
2 south of the Grimes County line. It would continue
3 southeast through Magnolia and Pinehurst to FM 149 in
4 Montgomery County, a distance of approximately 10 miles.

5 The existing FM 1774 is a two-lane rural
6 undivided highway with open ditches. West of Magnolia
7 from Mill Creek Drive to FM 1488, the existing facility
8 consists of two 12-foot travel lanes. East of Magnolia,
9 from FM 1488 to FM 149, the existing facility consists of
10 two 10-foot travel lanes and a 10-foot continuous left
11 turn lane. Shoulders range from less than two feet to
12 six feet in width. The existing right-of-way width
13 varies from 60 feet to 100 feet. FM 1774 crosses the
14 Union Pacific railroad tracks at FM 1488, adding
15 congestion to this location. The posted speed limit
16 ranges from 35 miles per hour in Magnolia to 55 miles per
17 hour in the rural areas.

18 A Major Investment Study or MIS was
19 completed for the northward extension of State
20 Highway 249 in 2002. The purpose of this MIS was to
21 evaluate the future transportation needs and to identify
22 the most reasonable solutions to improve mobility and
23 safety in the corridor. FM 1774 was a route that was
24 evaluated as part of the State Highway 249 MIS. The
25 study concluded that even with the extension of State

1 Highway 249 as a four-lane divided freeway, FM 1774 would
2 experience unacceptable levels of congestion at certain
3 locations unless it was also widened.

4 The average daily traffic volumes in the
5 year 2003 were 12,400 vehicles per day. Traffic is
6 expected to increase to 22,600 vehicles per day by the
7 year 2023.

8 The jog in the highway at FM 1488 railroad
9 crossing adds to the traffic congestion in that area.

10 Level of service is used as a measure of
11 congestion for a roadway. Level of service A is the most
12 desirable. A level of service C represents stable
13 traffic flow with noticeably restricted ability to
14 maneuver. At a level of service E, the highway
15 experiences unstable traffic flow and traffic volumes are
16 reaching roadway capacity. Level of service F represents
17 heavily congested conditions. The traffic exceeds the
18 roadway capacity.

19 FM 1774 is currently operating at a level
20 of service E/F from Mill Creek Drive to FM 149 during
21 peak traffic times. With the most feasible corridor
22 alternative, a widened FM 1774 is projected to operate at
23 a level of service C or D from FM 149 to FM 1486 and a
24 level of service A or B from FM 1486 to Mill Creek Drive.

25 The purpose of the proposed project is to

1 improve mobility and increase safety. Widening the
2 roadway and increasing the number of travel lanes would
3 improve mobility. Widening the shoulders, adding a
4 raised median with left-turn bays, and removing the
5 at-grade railroad crossing, would improve the safety
6 characteristics of the highway.

7 At the present time FM 1774 crosses the
8 railroad tracks at-grade at FM 1488. The proposed bridge
9 over the railroad tracks north of FM 1488 would reduce
10 congestion at the existing crossing, thereby, reducing
11 the likelihood of accidents at this location.

12 The additional lanes would provide added
13 capacity for future traffic volumes.

14 From Mill Creek Drive to FM 1488, the
15 proposed FM 1774 facility would be within a right-of-way
16 that varies from 130 feet to as much as 206 feet in width
17 depending upon the location of the existing highway in
18 relation to the railroad. The roadway would be two lanes
19 in each direction separated by a raised median. Ten-foot
20 wide shoulders would be provided. This part of the
21 project would have an open ditch drainage system. The
22 design speed is 60 miles per hour.

23 From FM 1488 to First Street in Magnolia,
24 the proposed FM 1774 facility would be constructed within
25 a 100-foot right-of-way. It would consist of two travel

1 lanes in each direction, separated by a raised median. A
2 ten-foot parking lane and sidewalk would be included on
3 the southbound side of the facility. This portion of the
4 project would include curb and gutter with storm sewers
5 for drainage.

6 Right-of-way acquisition is planned for the
7 north side of the roadway extending the highway
8 right-of-way to the Union Pacific railroad property line.
9 The design speed is 45 miles per hour.

10 From First Street to FM 149, the proposed
11 FM 1774 facility would be constructed within a 100-foot
12 right-of-way. It would consist of two travel lanes in
13 each direction, separated by a raised median, and curb
14 and gutter on the edges. Storm drainage would be
15 conveyed in subsurface storm sewers.

16 Right-of-way acquisition would be on the
17 south side of the existing highway, as the current
18 right-of-way abuts the railroad property. The design
19 speed is 45 miles per hour.

20 Based on the schematic design presented
21 this evening, the estimated construction cost is \$64
22 million. The current estimated construction contract let
23 date is May 2010. Construction is estimated to take
24 three years from 2010 to 2013.

25 This concludes the project information and

1 schematic design portion of the presentation. At this
2 time I would like to introduce Dick McGucken who will
3 describe the environmental studies.

4 MR. MCGUCKEN: Good evening. I will
5 briefly summarize the environmental studies that have
6 been conducted for the proposed project. A draft
7 Environmental Assessment or EA was prepared for the
8 proposed FM 1774 improvements. The document received
9 preliminary approval for further processing from the
10 Federal Highway Administration in June of this year,
11 enabling us to hold this public hearing.

12 Copies of the EA are available this evening
13 for you to review. Copies of the document may be
14 obtained from TxDOT for the price of copying should you
15 wish to obtain a copy for your personal use.

16 The EA is the document prepared for this
17 type of project that discusses the proposed improvements
18 and the need and purpose for the project. It compares
19 alternatives and evaluates the impacts anticipated from
20 those alternatives and incorporates coordination with the
21 public and resource agencies, including mitigation of
22 impacts.

23 No-build and build alternatives were
24 considered for FM 1774. The no-build alternative would
25 not improve current or projected congestion levels on FM

1 1774 and would not result in increased safety for the
2 traveling public. Travel conditions would deteriorate as
3 land development in the corridor continues. The build
4 alternative would provide added capacity, reduce
5 congestion, and improve the safety and operational
6 efficiency of the highway, thus satisfying the project
7 needs.

8 The proposed improvements to FM 1774 would
9 require the acquisition of approximately 47 acres of
10 additional right-of-way. Due to several constraints,
11 including proximity to the railroad, Magnolia Youth Park,
12 a considerable development, the proposed improvements
13 east of FM 1488 would be accommodated within a 100-foot
14 right-of-way.

15 Anticipated displacements include two
16 mobile homes, 18 business establishments, and five small
17 portable structures. Most of these displacements would
18 be commercial establishments in the city of Magnolia,
19 along Magnolia Boulevard westward of Nichols-Sawmill
20 Road.

21 TxDOT ROW representatives are here to
22 assist you with information on the process that TxDOT
23 follows for ROW acquisition and relocation. Information
24 brochures are also available.

25 The proposed improvements to FM 1774 would

1 require the acquisition of a 40-foot strip of land,
2 totaling 29 hundredths of an acre from Magnolia Youth
3 Park. One of the park's baseball fields would be
4 impacted. A Programmatic Section 4(f) Evaluation was
5 prepared for the proposed impacts to the park. To
6 minimize impacts, the minimal amount of ROW needed to
7 accommodate the highway improvements is proposed.
8 Proposed mitigation, which includes constructing a
9 baseball field on adjacent County-owned land, and
10 acquisition of additional park land has been coordinated
11 with the Montgomery County Precinct 2 Commissioner, the
12 Montgomery County Parks Director, the Texas Parks and
13 Wildlife Department, and the National Parks Service.

14 Impacts to water of the US, including
15 wetlands, are regulated by the US Army Corps of
16 Engineers. A wetland delineation was conducted for the
17 project in 2004. It is estimated that a maximum of
18 three-tenths of an acre of jurisdictional waters,
19 including one-tenth of an acre of wetlands, could be
20 impacted by the proposed project.

21 TxDOT would apply for a Nationwide Permit
22 14 from the US Army Corps of Engineers for any impacts to
23 jurisdictional waters, including wetlands, and obtain a
24 Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the Texas
25 Commission on Environmental Quality as part of the

1 Nationwide Permit process.

2 A traffic noise study was conducted to
3 identify areas that would experience noticeable increases
4 in noise levels as a result of the proposed project.
5 Results indicated that noise impacts would occur at three
6 individual residences. But because these are single site
7 residences with driveways and abutting perpendicular
8 roadways, noise barriers would not be effective in these
9 locations. Therefore, no noise barriers are proposed for
10 this project.

11 Other considerations for the environmental
12 assessment study that are expected to experience minimal
13 or no impacts as a result of the proposed project
14 include: Air quality, land use, social and economic
15 conditions, environmental justice, community cohesion,
16 soils, farmlands, wildlife, vegetation, historic
17 structures, archeological sites, hazardous materials, and
18 indirect and cumulative effects.

19 Throughout the environmental process TxDOT
20 has coordinated with many resource agencies including all
21 of the agencies listed on the slide. TxDOT has taken
22 mitigation measures for potential environmental impacts
23 as appropriate during the project development process.
24 For example, the preliminary design was modified to avoid
25 impacts to a 66-foot tall historic pecan tree located

1 north of FM 1488 between the existing FM 1774 and the
2 railroad tracks. TxDOT prepared a Programmatic
3 Section 4(f) Evaluation addressing anticipated impacts to
4 Magnolia Youth Park. The Montgomery County Parks
5 Department is actively seeking parkland, including land
6 suitable to serve as mitigation for the loss of parkland.
7 Montgomery County is working closely with the Texas Parks
8 and Wildlife Department to achieve appropriate
9 mitigation.

10 TxDOT will propose mitigation for any
11 impacts to jurisdictional wetlands during the US Army
12 Corps of Engineers permit application process. The
13 project plans and EA document will be available for
14 review by the public following this public hearing at
15 TxDOT Montgomery County Area Office in Conroe and the
16 TxDOT District Office in Houston.

17 What's next in the environmental process:
18 TxDOT will prepare a public hearing summary report that
19 documents and addresses the verbal and written comments
20 received at tonight's hearing and within the public
21 comment period, which ends August 19, 2007. The summary
22 report, including TxDOT's responses to all comments
23 received during the public comment period, will be
24 submitted to the Federal Highway Administration for
25 review. Any changes to the EA resulting from comments

1 received as a result of this public hearing will also be
2 submitted. Following Federal Highway Administration
3 approval, this report will be made available to the
4 public as a paper copy or on TxDOT website. Following
5 the Federal Highway Administration's final review and
6 project approval, a Finding of No Significant Impact is
7 expected to be issued by the end of this year. Thank you
8 for your attention. I will now turn the program back to
9 Gabe Johnson. Gabe.

10 MR. JOHNSON: You will now be offered the
11 opportunity to present your comments for the official
12 record. Those of you who wish to make verbal comments
13 need to complete a speaker card. If you wish to speak
14 and have not yet submitted a speaker card, please pass
15 the completed cards to the aisle to be collected. Your
16 name will be called in the order the cards are received,
17 and you will have three minutes to speak. All written
18 comments can be turned in to the orange boxes at the
19 sign-in table tonight, or by mail. Mailed comments must
20 be postmarked or e-mailed by August 19th, 2007. The
21 address is included on the comment form.

22 Responses to your comments from this
23 evening or those received in the mail prior to August 19,
24 2007, will be documented and available for your review in
25 approximately two months at the TxDOT Houston District

1 Office located at 7721 Washington Avenue in Houston, at
2 the TxDOT Montgomery County Area Office located at 901
3 North FM 3083 East in Conroe, or on the TxDOT website at
4 www.dot.state.tx.us.

5 Now let's begin the public comments
6 session. You will have three minutes to make your
7 comments. When I announce your name, please come to the
8 microphone and clearly state your name and who you
9 represent. A timer, located on the screen, will indicate
10 the beginning of your three minutes. After three minutes
11 you will be asked to be seated so the next speaker can
12 make his or her comments.

13 Again, we will not answer questions during
14 the public comment session. However, we will be
15 available to answer your questions following the formal
16 comment session.

17 At this time I would like to begin by
18 introducing elected officials who wish to comment.
19 Mr. Councilmember David Sutherland.

20 MR. SUTHERLAND: Good evening. My name is
21 David Sutherland. I am a member of the Magnolia City
22 Council, and I just wanted to make everyone aware that
23 the City of Magnolia has adopted a resolution asking that
24 the center of the road be a continuous turn lane as
25 opposed to a raised median. And this was adopted several

1 weeks or months ago. And I would just assume you haven't
2 seen that yet, and I wanted to make sure that you get a
3 copy of it. Thank you.

4 MR. JOHNSON: Thank you, sir, thank you for
5 your comment. Any other elected official who wishes to
6 speak that I didn't call their name? Okay. First
7 speaker is Travis Whitaker. Would you come to the
8 microphone, please? Travis Whitaker. I'm going to say
9 it one more time. Travis Whitaker. If he shows up
10 later, we'll be happy to take his comments. Next one is
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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO FM 1774
AUGUST 9, 2007

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Certified to by me on this the 22nd day of August, 2007.

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I desire to make an oral statement at this Public Hearing.

DAVID SUTHERLAND

Name

CITY COUNCILMAN #4 (MAGNOLIA)

(Representing)

180 PECAN

Address

MAGNOLIA TX 77355

City

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Preston Cutbirth

Name

~~Cut Magnolia Cutbirth~~ Magnolia Medical

(Representing)

827 South Magnolia Blvd

Center

Address

Magnolia TX 77355

City

State

Zip

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Name Keman Seafood

(Representing) 203 MAGNOLIA BLVD

Address MAGNOLIA TX 77355

City State Zip

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Anne Sundquist

Name Magnolia Area Chamber

(Representing) P O Box 399

Address Magnolia TX 77353

City State Zip

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Number 5

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Richard Schiel

Name

(Representing)

26127 Decker Pt Rosehill Rd

Address

Magnolia, Tex

City

State

77355

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Jim Ramspeu

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Jim's Barber Shop

(Representing)

Address

37131 FM 1779

City

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MAGNOLIA TX 77355

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(Representing)
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Address
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17 At this time I would like to begin by
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19 Mr. Councilmember David Sutherland.

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22 Council, and I just wanted to make everyone aware that
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25 opposed to a raised median. And this was adopted several

1 weeks or months ago. And I would just assume you haven't
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AUGUST 9, 2007**

COMMENT FORM

Texas Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 1386
Houston, Texas 77251-1386
Attn: Director Project Development

Name: PRESTON E. CUTBIRTH
Address: 31603 PIN OAK MAGNOLIA TX 77355
E-mail: prestoncutbirth@hotmail.com Phone: 281-356-3721

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I am not in favor of the raised median. Do a left turn lane for North bound traffic only.
You should also plan ahead for the exit of the Magnolia Ridge subdivision between stations 1480 and 1495. There will be 1500-2000 homes with a hospital and commercial development.

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P.O. Box 1386
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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Sovan Thou (Kemah Seafood)
Address: 203 MAGNOLIA BLVD, TX 77355
E-mail: CSSEAFood@yahoo.com Phone: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

1st st & Nichols Sawmill

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

Continuous left turn lane between 1st st & Nichols Sawmill
for the purpose of customer easy access to

Kemah Seafood 203 MAGNOLIA BLVD
MAGNOLIA, TX 77355

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Name: SOVON THOU

Address: 203 MAGNOLIA BLVD, MAGNOLIA, TX 77355

E-mail: CSSEAFood@yahoo.com Phone: 281-610-1333

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I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

2ND St & Nichols Sawmill

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Business property owner or lessee | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (please explain) |

COMMENTS:

Continues left turn
easy pathway for customer

Keman Seafood Restaurant
203 MAGNOLIA, ~~TX~~ BLVD
MAGNOLIA, TX 77355

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P.O. Box 1386
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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Anne Sundquist
Address: P.O. Box 399, Magnolia 77353
E-mail: anne@magnoliatexas.org Phone: 281-356

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
entire portion but especially all south of 1488

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

This will hurt the Downtown Revitalization Project that the City is partnering with the Parks & Wildlife, & the County. With TXDOT choosing the openings of the medians, TXDOT then controls property value and future development. Even business and future development outside the city limits will be affected.
Because the Mobility Committee of the Magnolia Area Chamber of Commerce expressed

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Houston, Texas 77251-1386**

We are working diligently to provide a positive environment for citizens; one that will encourage development of a lasting quality and that will benefit the citizens of the area. As president of the Magnolia Area Chamber of Commerce, I must take a stand for the citizens and business owners.

I will send you the resolution.

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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Travis D. Whitaker
Address: P.O. Box 151 Tomball, Tx 77377-0151
E-mail: _____ Phone: 281-351-5466

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

Raised Median

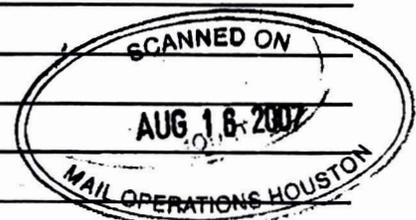
I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

Raised Median Should Be Reconsidered
Replaced With Turn Lanes

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P.O. Box 1386
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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: William E. Bailey
Address: 38928 Fm 1774 Magnolia TX 77355
E-mail: Cabinfevertexas@yahoo.com Phone: 281-351-6707

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

_____ Residential property owner or renter Highway user
_____ Business property owner or lessee _____ Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

As a highway user I feel the raised median is a detriment
to the commercial growth of Magnolia. I believe there will
be multiple accidents as a result of cars stopped trying to
U-turn in high traffic areas. It will hinder commercial
businesses growth as a result of lack of ingress and/or egress
to undeveloped commercial frontage property along
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PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
The David Lane intersection, 1200 feet west of Sugar Bend

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I believe this intersection design is totally inappropriate. The Montgomery County Maintenance headquarters is located South of FM 1774 on David Lane. There is a lot of commercial truck traffic using this intersection. Furthermore, Anderson's Feed Store is located North of this intersection but the driveway is slightly offset and there are numerous 18 wheelers turning North and the plan shows no turn lane for this purpose. I believe this intersection calls for traffic signals and turn lanes in both directions and a realignment of the driveway on the North side just like the State did at the High Meadow Ranch intersection.

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Mandy Cecil

From: john knupp [johnknupp@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 17, 2007 1:22 PM
To: hou-piowebmail@Dot.State.TX.US
Subject: FM 1774 Mill Creek Drive to FM 149, Montgomery County



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Good Afternoon,

Attached to this email is my comment form concerning the relocation of FM 1774 at Magnolia, Texas. I own a 23.6 acre tract you will be crossing taking approximately 3 acres of my prime commercial property and will very beneficial to the City of Magnolia in the near future.

Because FM 1774 is crossing my property I feel I should have access to the new highway. My partner and I have planed for some time now to construct apartments on this property and the new highway will impact us greatly.

We need an access point somewhere between VPT 1405+00 and VPT 1410+00.

I would very much appreciate your thoughtful consideration to this proposal.

Sincerely,
John F. Knupp

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Name: John F. Knupp Enterprises Inc.
Address: 4 Rockingham Place
E-mail: john.knupp@yahoo.com Phone: 713-854-4731

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I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
between VPT 1405+00 to 1410+00

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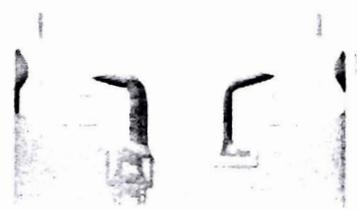
COMMENTS:

My property is on the West side of Magnolia and is located close to the beginning of the overpass. The location of the road was changed to accommodate the Magnolia Industrial Park. Because of this you are taking three acres of my 23.7 acre tract which is prime commercial property and will be vital to the future economic growth of Magnolia.

My Partner and I had made plans for an apartment complex on this property.

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Name: TANYA WHITE
Address: 37817 FM 1774
E-mail: Baselineinc@msn.com Phone: 713 819-2431

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COMMENTS:

① I AM FOR THE PROJECT AND HAVE LOOKED FORWARD TO IT FOR YEARS. BUT HAD NOT SEEN PLANS.

② HOWEVER IT TOOK ME ABOUT 2 SECONDS TO SEE THAT A NARROW RAISED MEDIUM WOULD BE MORE OF A PROBLEM. I AM SHOCKED THAT IT GOT THIS FAR AND THIS WAS NOT UNDERSTOOD.

Westside Businesses with high volume traffic would need to U TURN AND MAY SLOW TRAFFIC IF MORE THAN ONE CAR NEEDS TO DO THIS @ THE SAME TIME. THIS MULTIPLIES IF YOU ARE PULLING A TRAILER OR TRACTOR TRAILER & MUST U TURN. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH CROSS

Streets at this time for drivers to go AROUND the Block. A WIDE MEDIUM AS IS FARTHER

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So allows vehicles to pull fully into the
Median to cross or U-TURN. Again CONSIDER
TRUCKS w/ trailer + 18 wheelers.

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**Director of Project Development
Texas Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 1386
Houston, Texas 77251-1386**

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Mandy Cecil

From: Tanya White [baselineinc@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2007 7:30 AM
To: hou-piowebmail@dot.state.tx.us
Subject: FM 1774 to Mill Creek

I feel bad personally about my following comments as, unfortunately for the tax payers, it should make someone, or group of someones, look like extremely high paid trainees.

I live on FM 1774 just south of Magnolia and I am very excited about the proposed improvements. I was thrilled with the left turn lane that we got a few years ago.

I went to my first meeting about the new plan on August 9, 2007 and was shocked at the design. It would not have been so shocking if it had been the very first sketch, but at this stage.....

I could understand the total lack of traffic flow knowledge if the designers had never driven or even sat in a vehicle. I would then question the entity that hired them as it appears that a very unexperienced group was paid alot of tax dollars to learn.

It took me maybe 1 second at first glance to see the flaw - the small raised median.

I have horses so I think in terms of how I get somewhere safely while pulling a horse trailer. How am I supposed to haul from Tomball and turn into my drive? Let us see..... I must stop and block 1 of the 2 NB 60 mph lanes (which would cause congestion, if I do not get rear ended) and wait to U-Turn into 2 S-bound lanes going 60 miles /hour. This is dangerous in Houston on simalar streets with 30 mph speed limits.

I also have a small contruction company and not only do I think in terms of routing trucks and trailers to locations but sometimes I have to provide traffic lane closures or re-reouting or merging and sometimes I am the one hauling the trailer.

Let's visualize a fuel truck needing to turn left.....Probably he (or she) will need to pull to the right and block both N-bound lanes and then wait to U-turn into 2 S-bound 60 mph lanes. This could possibly block all 4 lanes. What about sub-divisions, commercial establishments, etc. with high volume traffic. Again they must stop and block the lane behind them (possibly several cars at one time) and wait to U-turn into S-bound traffic.

I could go on & on & on &

Center left turn lanes unfortenately are sometimes misused. I understand that. I question the minds that use a two way, one lane road as an acceleration lane while looking backwards. But they have numorous benefits that out way the use by questionable individuals that sometimes abuse them.

In this instance the "left turn lane" is the only option unless the median is large enough to accomadate an entire group of vehicles like FM 249 closer to Tomball. However, if you have ever been stuck in traffic in Decker Praire where too many vehicles need to turn left at the same time you have the same back up senario that I discribed above.

There are so many things that could be done to make the left turn lane only desirable to those making left turns.

- Rubble strips every x number of feet to deter passing, etc. along with buttons
- Grooves, like the ones on the side of the road to alert drivers that they are going off the road.
- A slightly raised but mountable median. There are several designs.

I thought of these in the first 10 minutes after seeing the plan, while I was at the meeting listening to the comments that only addressed the negative aspects of the raised median. I would think that a highly paid/trained design team (that will in turn get paid to redesign at the tax payers expense) could have come up with something better in the last months or years

Sincerely,
Tanya white

8/23/2007

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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: _____
Address: _____
E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

_____ 1660+00 1665+00 _____

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

_____ Residential property owner or renter _____ Highway user
 Business property owner or lessee _____ Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I WOULD LIKE A BREAK IN THE MEDIAN
SO PEOPLE WILL NOT HAVE TO MAKE A U-TURN
TO COME BACK TO OUR BUSINESS - OUR DRIVE
LIES IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS STRETCH OF ROAD!

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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Judy Kay DARINGTON
Address: 180 Pecan Magnolia TX 77355
E-mail: _____ Phone: 281 356-7810

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

Downtown Magnolia

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner ~~or renter~~ _____ Highway user
- Business property owner ~~or lessee~~ _____ Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

From 1st Street to Fm 1488 to North End of Town 10 street.
We need to keep the turn lane like we
have now. Please do not do RAISED median.
We will only have half of our town left. The
raised median keeps us from getting to half
of our streets. This loses business for us & loses
land value. The City Council passed a Resolution
& the Chamber is backing the City to not have
A RAISED median. I hope you will not have A
RAISED median. Thank you.

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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Dixon Brown
Address: 2011 N. Thompson Curve, Texas 77301
E-mail: _____ Phone: 936-520-3540

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

Right of way

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

Residential property owner or renter Highway user
 Business property owner or lessee Other (please explain)
Holder of deed of trust.

COMMENTS:

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PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
whole project

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:
 Residential property owner or renter Highway user
 Business property owner or lessee Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I live in GRIMES Co. @ CR 302 therefore
I am in BRYAN DISTRICT. which means
I will not know future plan in our District
until it is built. We have not had a meeting for
this project or 249 in about two years.
I appreciate your input because I use
1774 & 249 all the time therefore you will
impact me
I ~~would~~ would like to request meeting in
this as you proceed or have more meeting. (over)

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Name: James Williams
Address: P.O. Box 159 Magnolia TX 77353
E-mail: JimWilliams@mail2TEXAS.com Phone: 281-356-4790

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

FM 1774 to 249

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

The raise median I believe create more problems
than it solves. Tractor trucks turning to
access the other side of highway and more
accidents than in the past.

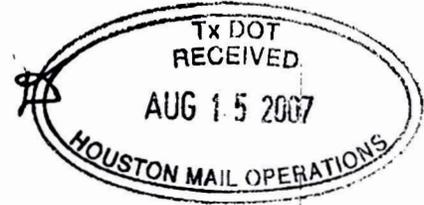
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Name: Gayla S. Jansen

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E-mail: gaylajansen@gmail.com Phone: 713-723-6745

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
316 Magnolia Blvd. TX 77355 (aka FM 1774)

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)



COMMENTS:

I own 316 Magnolia Blvd (aka FM 1774). My property is income producing.

I am a widow, 62 years old, and count on this income for my present and future livelihood. The income is Rent that I receive from my Billboard and Parking Leases. Please do not take my income away.

Please take the alternative plan to create a divided Fm 1774 :

North bound traffic on Melton St. and South bound traffic on FM 1774.

Since Magnolia Ridge Subdivision is paying to create an overpass over the railroad tracks to Melton St., please reconsider this less harmful alternative.

By using Melton St. for North bound traffic, TXDOT will not only not destroy "Main Street" in Magnolia, but make it more beautiful, functional, inviting and profitable for everyone.

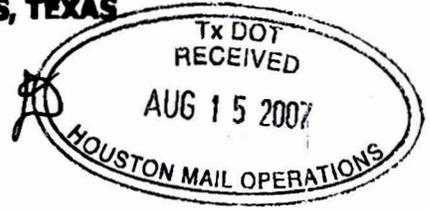
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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Country Air
Address: 38917 FM 1774 MAGNOLIA, TX 77354
E-mail: COUNTRYAIRMAG@yahoo.com Phone: 281-352-8564

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I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
FM 1774 Between SUSAN BEND & DAVID LN.

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

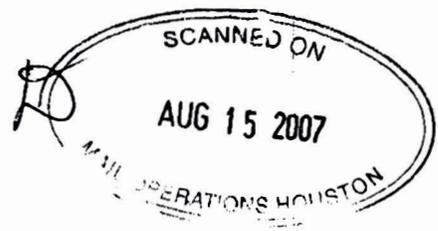
- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I Feel that a center TURN LANE WOULD
be SAFER & in the Best interest of THE
COMMUNITY & BUSINESSES.

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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Barry Tate
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E-mail: Barry.Tate@EdwardJones.com Phone: 281-356-7786

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

Overall construction plan and its effect on day-to-day traffic through the town of Magnolia.

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

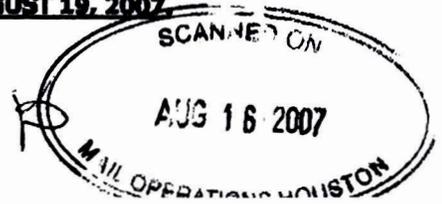
COMMENTS:

From the plan presenter, it appears a concrete median is planned for this stretch of road. I strongly urge the TXDOT to reconsider and include center turn lane rather than concrete medians, as this is a significant concern for both local business and general traffic flow through Magnolia.

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E-mail: djmiller@sbcglobal.net Phone: 281-380-0332

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I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

FM 1774 from 149 to Waller County

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

By using a concrete median you will limit access to businesses which will impact our city economic structure & property values. I realize this is based on a safety factor but such considerations were not used on FM 1488 or FM 2928. A turn lane would be more accessible & lend it self to our community needs. Also, I think these concrete medians are touches on us over 50+ with our painful vision problems & creates more unsafe situations.

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Thank you

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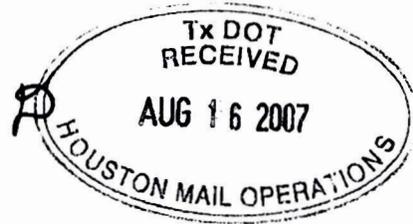
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E-mail: gsearcy1945@yahoo.com Phone: 281-755-1997

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

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I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

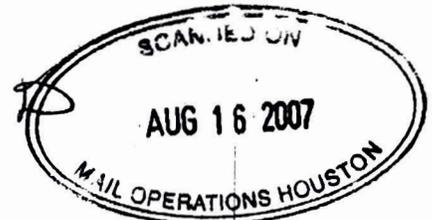
- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

I live on Nickel Summit Rd - govt church on 1774
this plan does not sound like the best I see -
the concrete median sounds like a big problem -
Ampu Searcy

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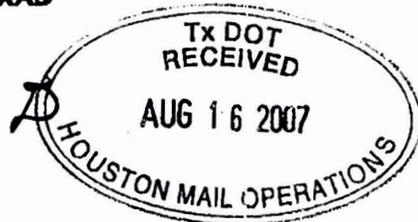


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Attn: Director Project Development

Name: Cedric D. Smith
Address: 8811 WEST LAKE, MAGNOLIA TX 77554
E-mail: CEDRIC4012@SBCGLOBAL.NET Phone: 281-259-2099

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
FM 1774 from Lincoln to Waller/Montgomery County

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

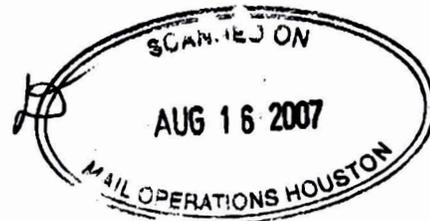
COMMENTS:

I would disagree that those who proposed this concrete 'Medial' do not live in the area. I would further assume that the reason such a barrier was not proposed for FM 1488 and FM 2978 is due in whole or in part to the fact that land owners and business developers associated with 'The Woodlands Development Group.' (If this barrier provides a level of safety that a turn lane doesn't the why would that logic be used for the safety of citizens who travel along FM 1488 and FM 2978? We don't know the answer; 'The Woodlands Development Group.' A turn lane on FM 1774 is safe and would not inhibit economic growth or residential development

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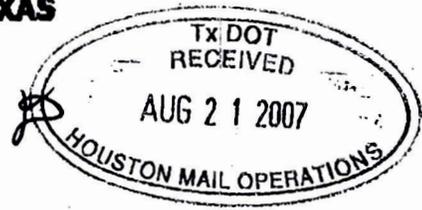
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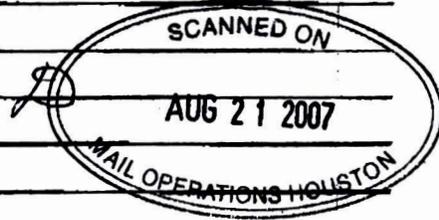
the portion in the city limits of Magnolia

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
- Business property owner or lessee
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS:

The concrete median would be detrimental to businesses in Magnolia



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PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

I OWN THE 23.6 AC JUST NORTH OF THE CITY OF MAGNOLIA BY THE BRIDGE

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)

COMMENTS: YOU ARE TAKING ABOUT 3ACRES IT SEEMS.
WE PLAN TO PUT A APARTMENT COMPLEX ON THIS TRACT
AND WE NEED A TURNING LANE INTO THE TRACT PLUS
ACCESS TO HIGHWAY WITH DRIVEWAY IF ANY WAY POSSIBLE.

THANKS
LEN HODGES.



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E-mail: sandersondds@yahoo.com Phone: 281-356-3721

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I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user
- Other (please explain)



COMMENTS:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORTS IN THIS PROJECT!

WIDENING F.M 1774 IS A MUCH NEEDED PROJECT TO PROVIDE SAFETY AND CONVENIENCE TO THIS AREA.

HOWEVER, I DO BELIEVE THAT A RAISED MEDIAN WILL ENCOURAGE DANGEROUS U-TURNS PARTICULARLY BY LONGER PICK UP TRUCKS, SUV'S, AND TRAILERS THAT ARE SO PREVALENT IN OUR AREA.

WOULDN'T A TURN LANE FOR NORTH BOUND TRAFFIC ONLY (SINCE THERE ARE NO HOMES OR BUSINESSES ON THE RR TRACK) BE A BETTER OPTION?

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Thanks Again Sanderson

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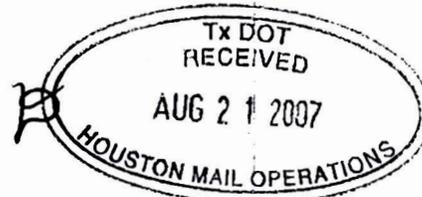
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**PUBLIC HEARING
FM 1774: MILL CREEK DRIVE TO FM 149
WALLER AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES, TEXAS
AUGUST 9, 2007**

COMMENT FORM

Texas Department of Transportation
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Attn: Director Project Development



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PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

FM 1774 concrete median

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
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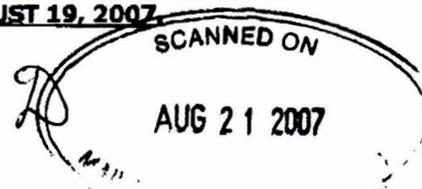
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PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE ITEMS BELOW:

I am primarily interested in the following portion of the project:

CONCRETE MEDIAN ON FM1774

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of a:

- Residential property owner or renter
- Highway user
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COMMENTS:

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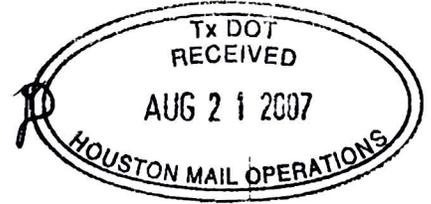


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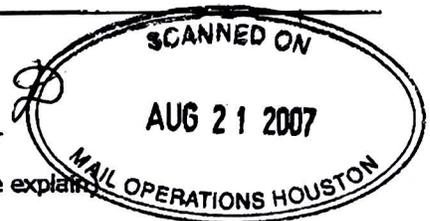
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1774 south of Fm 1498

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- Business property owner or lessee
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COMMENTS:

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RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

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1. David Sutherland

Verbal Comment: Good evening, my name is David Sutherland. I am a member of the Magnolia City Council, and I just wanted to make everyone aware that the City of Magnolia has adopted a resolution asking that the center of the road become a continuous turn lane as opposed to a raised median. This was adopted several weeks or months ago. I would just assume you haven't seen that yet, and I wanted to make sure that you get a copy of it. Thank you.

TxDOT Response: Thank you, comment noted. We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

2. Dr. Preston E. Cutbirth

Verbal Comment: My name is Dr. Preston Cutbirth. I'm a dentist here in Magnolia; and I own the Magnolia Medical Center, which is located at 827 South Magnolia Boulevard, which is also 1774. First of all let me thank you for the time and energy that you have all put in on this project and for helping the residents of Magnolia with out mobility. I'd like to suggest that TxDOT reconsider the raised median portion of the proposed expansion. It's my opinion that the raised median and the selected turns will have a negative economic impact on the businesses along FM 1774 and will actually result in less mobility by causing traffic that's heading north to make u-turns to access the businesses which will mostly be on the west side of 1774. I'd like to suggest that TxDOT consider some sort of left turn only lane for the northbound traffic on 1774 that's going from FM 149 north to the Magnolia city limits. Since the railroad borders the east side of FM 1774 and there will be very limited crossings, most people won't want to turn across the traffic west. They're going to mostly want to go left anyway. Anywhere there is an access across a railroad track, it's probably going to be a major intersection anyway and have a red light. So that's just my suggestion. From FM 149 to Magnolia city limits there is no --- you don't have to have a raised median. You can have a turn lane that's mostly a left turn only for northbound traffic. Again, thank you for your input. I mean for ya'll's effort on this project and have a good evening.

Written Comment: I am not in favor of the raised median. Do a left turn lane for north bound traffic only. You should also plan ahead for the exit of the Magnolia Ridge subdivisions between stations 1480 and 1495. There are going to be 1,500 - 2,000 homes with a hospital and commercial development. Limits, there is no - you don't have to have a raised median. You can have a turn lane that's mostly a left turn only for the north bound traffic. Again,

thank you for your input. I mean for ya'll's effort on the project and have a good evening.

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3. Sovon Thou

Verbal Comment: Yes, I'm the --- I own a business between 2nd and Nichols-Sawmill. I have the same situation that he has. With the proposed right now, there is no way to turn on a left lane to go to businesses. So, I'm the same as him proposing a continuous turn lane for the businesses. Most of the businesses are on that side; so the proposed right now, the raised median, is pretty much - the traffic, the way we have it right now is to put it to the business. So, if we can have a continuous turn lane, left lane, it will help the businesses a lot. Thank you.

Written Comment 1: Continuous left turn lane between 1st street and Nichols Sawmill for the purpose of customer easy access to Kemah Seafood 203 Magnolia Blvd Magnolia, TX 77355

Written Comment 2: Continuous left turn easy pathway for customer. Kemah Seafood Restaurant 203 Magnolia Blvd Magnolia TX, 77355

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4. Anne Sundquist

Verbal Comment: You said it correctly. Thank you. All you people need to do is go to Sovon's Kemah Seafood Restaurant, and you will know that you need to have a center turn lane so people can get there. The food is delicious. I'm president of Magnolia Area Chamber. The mobility committee looked at the proposed design. I was very concerned about the raised median. They recommended to the board of directors to pass a resolution - and I will get that resolution to you -- that we would like the center turn lane as we originally proposed. I'm also a part of the downtown revitalization project, and I can see that a raised median is going to hinder both the value of the property and the future development. We are trying to plan something that will be very beneficial for the citizens, both from an economic standpoint and from a recreational standpoint. We're working, the City is working with Texas Parks and Wildlife and the County to develop a wonderful project that will keep Magnolia alive and vibrant. Thank you for coming here.

Written Comment: This will hurt the Downtown Revitalization Project that the city is partnering with the Texas Parks and Wildlife, and the county. With TxDOT choosing the openings of the median, TxDOT then controls property value and future development. Even business and future development outside the city limits will be affected. Because the Mobility Committee of the Magnolia Area Chamber of Commerce expressed concern over the proposed design; the Board of Directors, upon the committee's recommendation, passed a resolution discouraging the design. FM 1488 is designed with a center turn lane, and I understand plans for 2978 to show. FM 1488 has heavy traffic, safety is a major factor for all roads, but I can't see that 1774 needs this design when the others do not. We are working diligently to provide a positive environment for citizens and one that will encourage development of a lasting quality and that will benefit the citizens of this area. As president of the Magnolia Chamber of Commerce, I must take a stand for the citizens and business owners. I will send you the resolution.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

5. Travis D. Whitaker

Written Comment: Raised median should be reconsidered and replaced with turn lanes.

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6. William E. Bailey

Written Comment 1: As a highway user I feel the raised median is a detriment to the commercial growth of Magnolia. I believe there will be multiple accidents as a result of cars stopped trying to u-turn in high traffic areas. It will hinder commercial business growth as a result of lack of ingress and or egress to underdeveloped commercial frontage property along FM 1774.

Written Comment 2: I believe this intersection design is totally inappropriate. The Montgomery County Maintenance headquarters is located south of FM 1774 on David Lane. There is a lot of commercial truck traffic using this intersection. Furthermore, Andersons Feed store is located north of this intersection but the driveway is slightly offset and there are a numerous 18 wheelers turning north and the plan shows no turn lane for this purpose. I believe this intersection calls for traffic signals and turn lanes in both directions and a realignment of the driveway on the north side just like the state did at the High Meadow Ranch intersection.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval. During the design of the final plans, TxDOT will do a traffic study to determine if a signal light is warranted at the referenced intersection.

7. John Knupp

Written Comment 1: I own 23.6 acre tract you will be crossing taking approximately 3 acres of my prime commercial property and will be very beneficial to the City of Magnolia in the near future. Because FM 1774 is crossing my property I feel I should have access to the new highway. My partner and I have planned for some time now to construct apartments on this property and the new highway will impact us greatly. We need an access point somewhere between VPT 1405+00 and VPT 1410+00. I would very much appreciate your thoughtful consideration to this proposal.

Written Comment 2: My property is on the West side of Magnolia and is located close to the beginning of the overpass. The location of the road was changed to accommodate the Magnolia Industrial Park. Because of this you are taking three acres of my 23.6 acre tract which is prime commercial property and will be vital to the future economic growth of Magnolia. My partner and I have made plans for an apartment complex on this property. We will need access to FM 1774 which will be at the beginning of the road elevation over the railroad.

TxDOT Response: The property will still have access to FM 1774. The proposed overpass at the railroad will improve the capacity and safety characteristics of the roadway. Your comment regarding access to FM 1774 will be reviewed and considered during the permitting process.

8. Tanya White

Written Comment 1: I am for the project and have looked forward to it for years, but had not seen plans; however it took me about 2 seconds to see that a narrow raised median would be more of a problem. I am shocked that it has gotten this far and this was not understood. Westside business with high volume traffic would need to u-turn and may slow traffic if more than one car needs to do this at the same time. This multiplies if you are pulling a trailer or tractor trailer that also must u-turn. There are not enough cross streets at this time for drivers to go around the block. A wide median that is farther allows vehicles to pull fully into the median to cross or u-turn. Again consider trucks with trailer and 18 wheelers.

Written Comment 2: I feel bad personally about my following comments as unfortunately for the tax payers, it should make someone, or group of someones, look like highly paid trainees. I live on FM 1774 just south of

Magnolia and I am very excited about the proposed improvements. I was thrilled with the left turn lane we got a few years ago. I went to my first meeting about the new plan on August 9, 2007 and was shocked at the design. It would not have been so shocking if it had been the very first sketch, but at this stage, I could understand the total lack of traffic flow knowledge if the designers have never driven or even sat in a vehicle. I would then question the entity that hired them as it appears that a very under experienced group was paid a lot of tax dollars to learn. It took me maybe 1 second at first glance to see the flaw - the small raised median. I have horses so I think in terms of how I get somewhere safely while pulling a horse trailer. How am I supposed to haul from Tomball and turn into my drive? Let us see..... I must stop and block 1 of the 2 NB 60 mph lanes (which would cause congestion, if do not get rear ended) and wait to u-turn into 2 SB lanes going 60 mph. This is dangerous in Houston on similar streets with 30 mph speed limits. I also have a small construction company and not only think in terms of routing trucks and trailers to locations but sometimes I have to provide traffic lane closures or re-routing or merging and sometimes I am the one hauling the trailer. Lets visualize a fuel truck needing to turn left.....Probably he or she will need to pull to 60 mph the right and block both NB lanes and then wait to u-turn into 2 SB lanes. This could possibly block all 4 lanes. What about subdivisions, commercial establishments, ect, with high volume traffic. Again they must stop and block the lane behind them (possibly several cars at one time) and wait to u-turn into SB traffic.

I could go on and on and on and.....

Center turn lanes unfortunately are sometimes misused. I understand that, I question the minds that use two way one lane roads as an acceleration lane while looking backwards. But they have numerous benefits that out way the use by questionable individuals that sometimes abuse them.

In this instance the "left turn lane is the only option unless the median is large to accommodate an entire group of vehicles like FM 249 closer to Tomball. However, if you have ever been stuck in traffic in Decker Praire where too many vehicles need to turn left at the same time you have the same back up scenario that I described above.

There are so many things that could be done to make the left turn lane only desirable to those making left turns.

- Rubble strips every x number of feet to deter passing, etc. along with buttons
- Groove, like the ones on the side of the road to alert drivers that they are going off the road
- A slightly raised but mountable median. There are several designs.

I thought of these in the first 10 minutes after seeing the plan, while I was at the meeting listening to the comments that only addressed the negative

aspects of the raised median. I would think that a highly paid/trained design team (that will in turn get paid to redesign at the tax payers expense) could have come up with something better in the last months or years.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

9. Anonymous

Written Comment: Stations 1660+00 to 1665+00. I would like a break in the median so people will not have to make a u-turn to come back to our business, our drive lies in the middle of this stretch of Road.

TxDOT Response: The addition of raised medians to roadways represents one of the most effective means to improve the capacity and safety characteristics of the roadway. Raised medians reduce accidents caused by crossover traffic, reduce headlight glare from oncoming traffic, and separate left-turning traffic from through lanes when left-turn bays are provided. Your comment regarding a break in the median between Stations 1660+00 and 1665+00 will be reviewed and considered during the design phase of the project.

10. Judy Kay Darington

Written Comment: From 1st street to FM 1488 to the north end of town 10th street, we need to keep the turn lane like we have now. Please do not add a raised median. We will only have half of our town left. The raised median will keeps us from getting to half of our streets. This loses business for us and loses land value. The city council passed a resolution and the chamber is backing the city not to have a raised median. I hope you will not have a raised median. Thank you.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

11. Dixon Brown

Written Comment: I am primarily interested in Right of Way; I am a holder of deed of trust.

TxDOT Response: Comment noted.

12. Frank R. Glass

Written Comment: I live in Grimes county at CR 302 therefore I am in the Bryan District, which means I will not know future plans in our District until it is built. We have not had a meeting for the project or FM 249 in about two years.

I appreciate your input because I use FM 1774 and FM 249 all the time and they will both impact me. I would like to represent mainly on this as you proceed or have more meetings. I wish Michael Behrens knew how bad the Director of the Bryan District was.

TxDOT Response: Comment noted. Your name and address will be added to the mailing lists for any future public meetings regarding the SH 249 and FM 1774 TxDOT Houston District projects.

13. James Williams

Written Comment: The raised median I believe will create more problems than it solves. Transfer trucks turning to access the other side of the highway and more accidents than in the past.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

14. Gayla S. Jansen

Written Comment: I own 316 Magnolia Blvd (aka FM 1774). My property is income producing. I am a widow, 62 years old, and count on this income for my present and future livelihood. The income rent that I receive is from my billboard and parking leases. Please do not take my income away. Please take the alternative plan to create a divided FM 1774: northbound traffic on Melton Street and southbound traffic on FM 1774. Since Magnolia Ridge Subdivision is paying to create an overpass over the railroad tracks to Melton Street for northbound traffic, TxDOT will not only not destroy "Main Street" in Magnolia, but make it more beautiful, functional, inviting, and profitable for everyone.

TxDOT Response: TxDOT conducted a study of alternative routes in the early planning stages but the divided FM 1774 route was determined not to be feasible.

15. Country Air

Written Comment: I feel that a center turn lane would be safer and in the best interest of the community and business.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

16. Barry Tale

Written Comment: From the plans present, it appears a concrete median is planned for this stretch of road. I strongly urge TxDOT to reconsider and

include the center turn lane rather than concrete medians, as this is a significant concern for both local businesses and a general traffic flow through Magnolia.

TxDOT Response: We will reconsider the proposed raised median and replace with a center turn lane (flush median). The revised plan would reflect a flush median at certain locations. A revised schematic will be prepared and submitted for approval.

17. Deborah Rose

Written Comment: By using a concrete median you will limit access to businesses which will impact on our city economic structure and property values. I realize this is based on a safety factor, but for considerations was not used on FM 1488 or FM 2978. A turn lane would be more accessible and lend itself to our community needs. Also, I think these concrete medians are tougher on us over 50, plus our peripheral vision problems create more unsafe u-turns. Thank you.

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18. Ginger Searcy

Written Comment: I live on Nichol Sawmill Rd and I attend church on FM 1774. This plan does not sound like the best to me. The concrete median sounds like a problem.

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19. Cedric D. Smith

Written Comment: I would assume that those who proposed the concrete median do not live in the area. I would further assume that the reason such a barrier was not proposed for FM 1488 and FM 2978 is due in whole from resistance by landowners and Business Developments Associations with "The Woodlands Development Group." If the barrier provides a level of safety that a turn lane doesn't then why would that logic not be used for the safety of citizens who travel along FM 1488 and FM 2978? We both know the answer: "The Woodlands Development Group." A turn lane on FM 1774 is safe and would not insist economic growth as residential development.

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20. Glenn Addison

Written Comment: The concrete median would be detrimental to businesses in Magnolia.

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21. Axe'Em Investments

Written Comment: You are taking about 3 acres it seems. We plan to build an apartment complex on this tract and we need a turning lane into the tract plus access to highway with driveway if possible.

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22. Jonathan Sanderson

Written Comment: Thank you for your time and efforts in this project! Widening FM 1774 is a much needed project to provide safety and convenience to this area. However, I do believe that a raised median will encourage dangerous u-turns particularly by longer pick up trucks, SUV's, and trailers that are so prevalent in our area. Wouldn't a turn lane for northbound traffic only; since there are no homes or businesses on the railroad track be a better option?

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23. Sylvia Liles

Written Comment:

1. This will create a traffic block when traffic makes a u-turn to reach desired stops on the other side of the median.
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