# **PUBLIC NOTICE**



Comment Period Begins: November 23, 2021 Comment Period Ends: December 23, 2021

**File Number:** NAE-2014-02586 **In Reply Refer To:** Dan Vasconcelos

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The District Engineer has received a permit application to conduct work in waters of the United States from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) – Highway Division, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts 02116. This work is proposed in the French River, Little River, Texas Pond, nine unnamed intermittent streams, and associated vegetated wetlands along an approximately 3.2 mile long stretch of Route 20 in Charlton and Oxford, Massachusetts, from the intersection with Richardson Corner Road in Charlton to the intersection with Route 12 in Oxford. The site coordinates are: Latitude 42.167587°N, Longitude 71.893884°W.

The work includes the discharge of fill material into waters of the United States, including 58,476 square feet (1.3 acres) of permanent impacts to vegetated wetlands, 27,765 square feet (0.6 acres) of temporary impacts to vegetated wetlands, 16,612 square feet (0.4 acres) of permanent stream impacts, and 1,150 square feet (0.03 acres) of temporary stream impacts, resulting from improvements to the roadway corridor. The purpose of this project is to improve safety, geometry, and traffic operations within the project corridor. The proposed work includes the following components:

- Widening of Route 20 to provide two, 11' wide lanes with 2' median shoulders and 4' curbside shoulders in each direction (plus ten 12' wide emergency pull-off areas)
- Realignment of Oxbow Road and reconstruction of its intersection with Route 20
- Construction of a shared-use path along the north side of the road between Route 12 and Oxbow Road
- Construction of a sidewalk along the south side of the road between Routes 12 and 56
- Replacement of the bridges over the Little River and French River, including installation of scour protection
- Replacement of seven existing cross culverts conveying intermittent streams/wetland flow

Permanent Section 404 impacts associated with this project would result primarily from roadway widening, realignment, and associated retaining wall construction, as well as bridge and culvert replacement, including installation of scour countermeasures. Temporary Section 404 impacts would result primarily from temporary work zones and construction access, as well as cofferdams and dewatering within streams.

The work is shown on the enclosed plans entitled "ROUTE 20 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ROUTE 20 (BRIDGE NO. C-06-023) (BRIDGE NO. O-06-002) IN THE TOWNS OF CHARLTON – OXFORD WORCESTER COUNTY MASSACHUSETTS ACOE SECTION 404 PERMIT PLANS", on 59 sheets, and dated "NOVEMBER 2021".

The project has been designed to avoid and minimize impacts to waters of the United States, including wetlands, through the use of various best management practices, including the installation of erosion and

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sedimentation controls at the project limits, and the use of steeper slopes (with guardrails) or retaining walls adjacent to wetlands to limit grading and encroachment into wetland areas. As mitigation for unavoidable impacts, the applicant proposes offsite preservation of a 42-acre parcel in Charlton and Oxford containing a mix of upland and wetland habitats, as well as the creation of a 1.61-acre wetland area within the larger preservation parcel.

### **AUTHORITY**

Permits are required pursuant to:				
	Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899			
_X	Section 404 of the Clean Water Act			
	Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act.			

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which may reasonably accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are: conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural value, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain value, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (Corps), is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. The Corps will consider all comments received to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Where the activity involves the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States or the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposing it in ocean waters, the evaluation of the impact of the activity in the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act, and/or Section 103 of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended.

### NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is the lead federal agency responsible for coordination pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. MassDOT has concluded coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and relevant Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) on behalf of the FHWA. Although FHWA has taken the lead on this consultation, based on his initial review, the District Engineer has determined that little likelihood exists for the proposed work to impinge upon properties with cultural or Native American significance, or listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places. The Corps will continue review and consultation as required to fulfil the requirements of the National

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Historic Preservation Act as part of the permit review process.

# ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSULTATION

FHWA is the lead federal agency responsible for coordination pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. Although FHWA is the lead federal agency, the Corps has reviewed the application for the potential impact on Federally-listed threatened or endangered species and their designated critical habitat pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. It is our preliminary determination that the proposed activity for which authorization is being sought is designed, situated or will be operated/used in such a manner that it is not likely to adversely affect a listed species or their critical habitat. FHWA is coordinating with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on listed species under their jurisdiction and the ESA consultation will be concluded prior to the final decision.

# OTHER GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

The following authorizations have been applied for, or have been, or will be obtained:

- (X) Permit, license or assent from State.
- (X) Permit from local wetland agency or conservation commission.
- (X) Water Quality Certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

# **COMMENTS**

In order to properly evaluate the proposal, we are seeking public comment. Anyone wishing to comment is encouraged to do so. Comments should be submitted in writing by the above date. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Vasconcelos at (978) 318-8653, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for a public hearing shall specifically state the reasons for holding a public hearing. The Corps holds public hearings for the purpose of obtaining public comments when that is the best means for understanding a wide variety of concerns from a diverse segment of the public.

The initial determinations made herein will be reviewed in light of facts submitted in response to this notice. All comments will be considered a matter of public record. Copies of letters of objection will be forwarded to the applicant who will normally be requested to contact objectors directly in an effort to reach an understanding.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.

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Chief, Permits and Enforcement Branch

**Regulatory Division** 

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# **ROUTE 20 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

# MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**ROUTE 20** 

(BRIDGE NO. C-06-023)

(BRIDGE NO. O-06-002)

IN THE TOWNS OF

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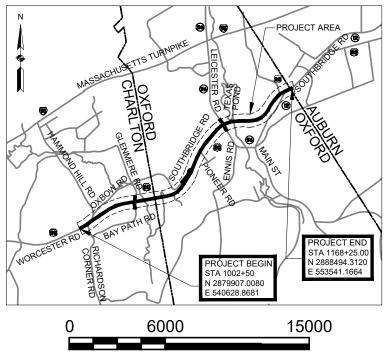
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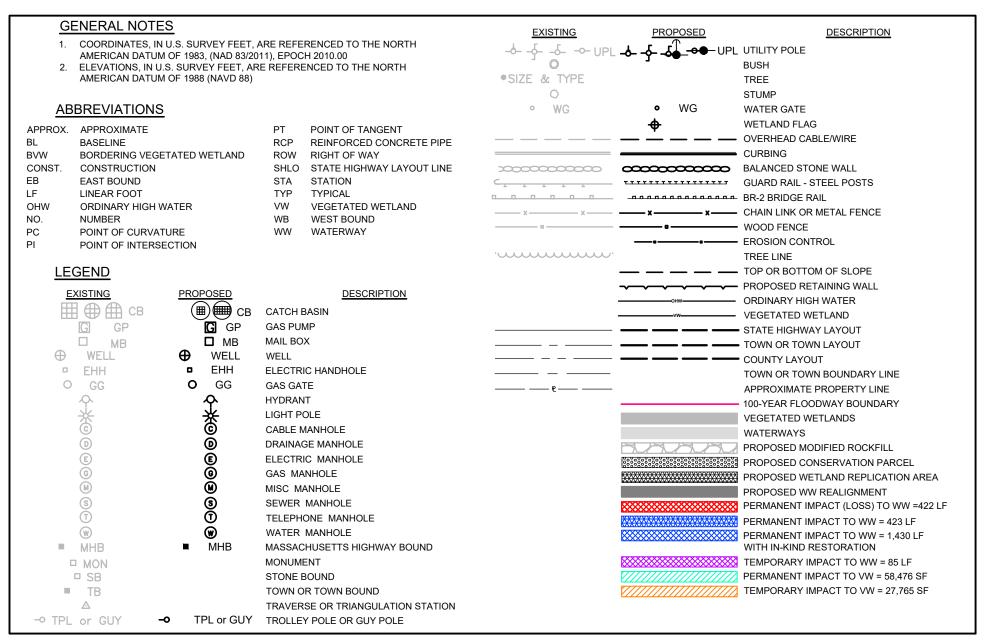
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# ACOE SECTION 404 PERMIT PLANS



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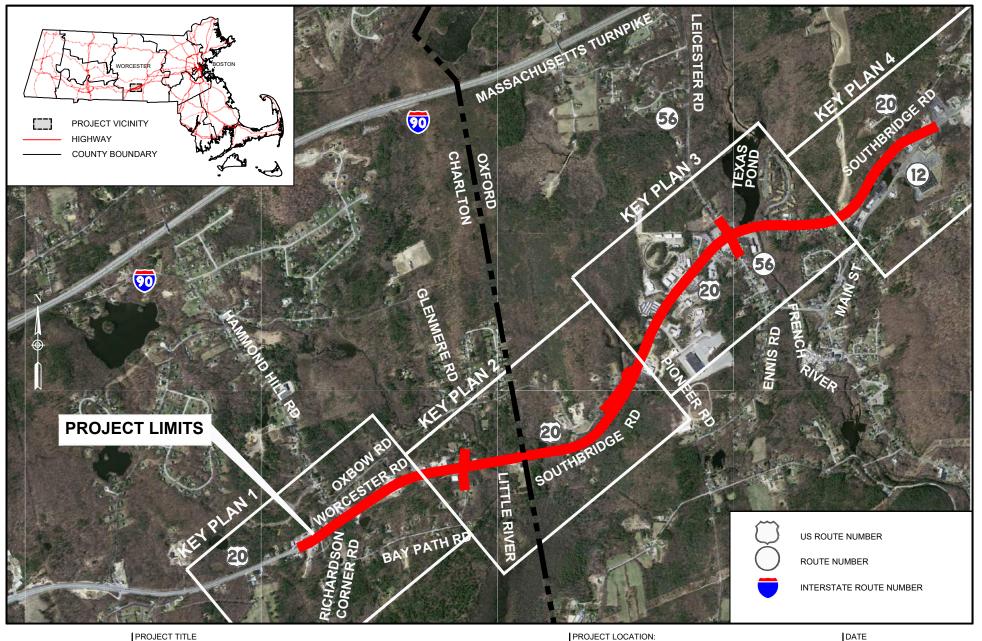
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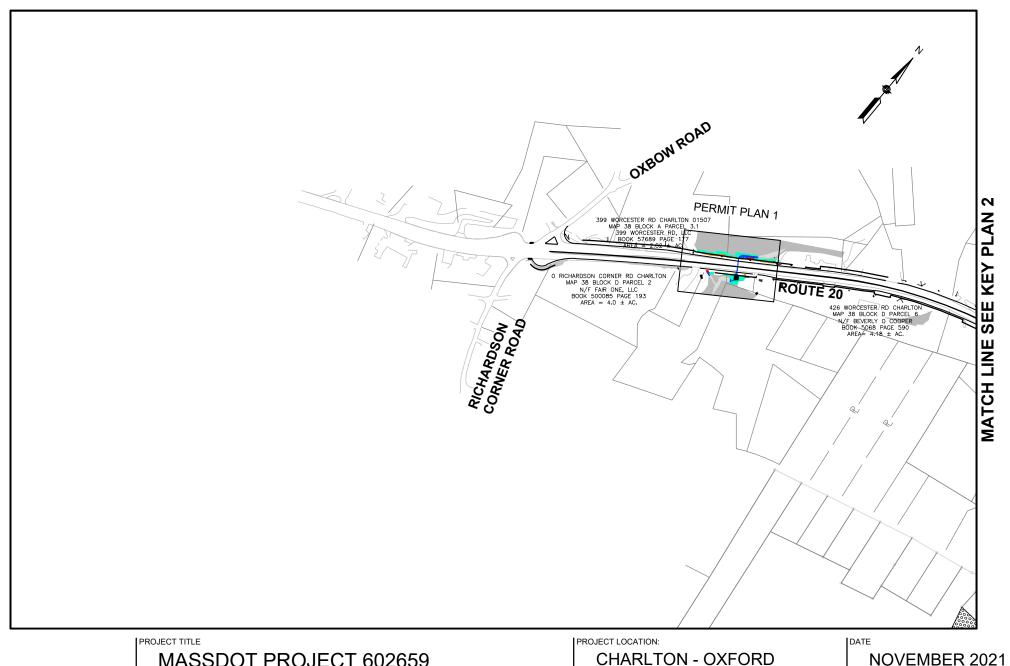
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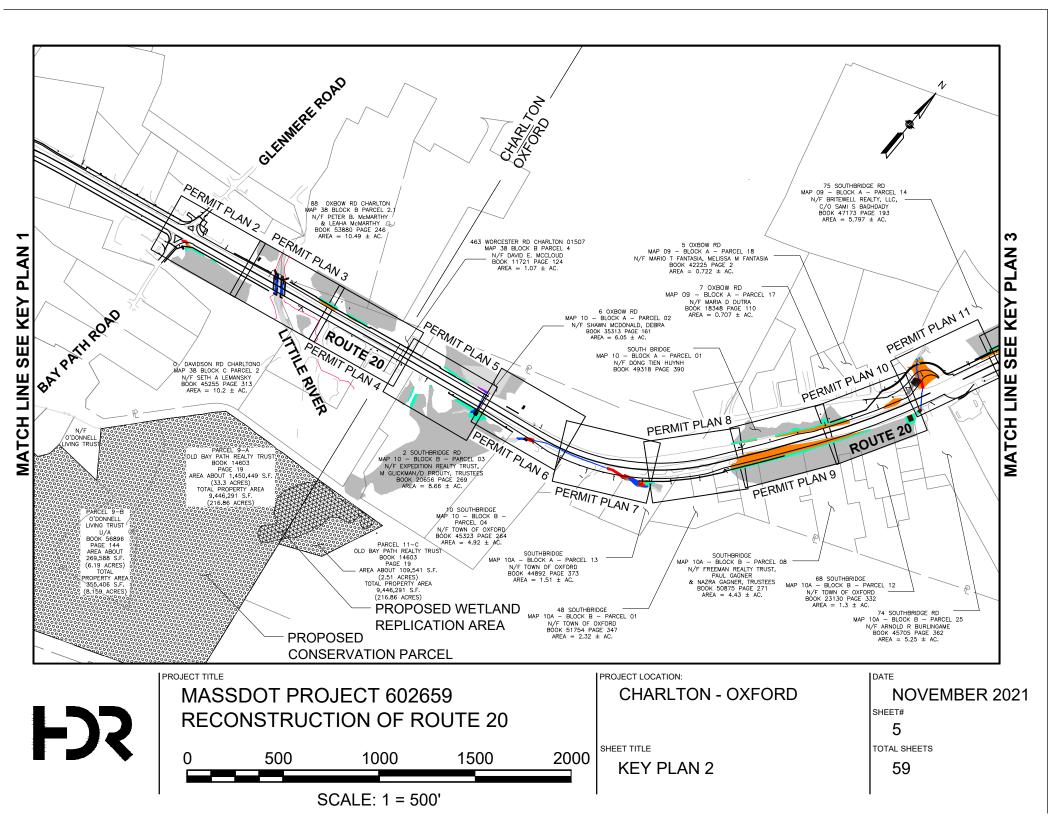
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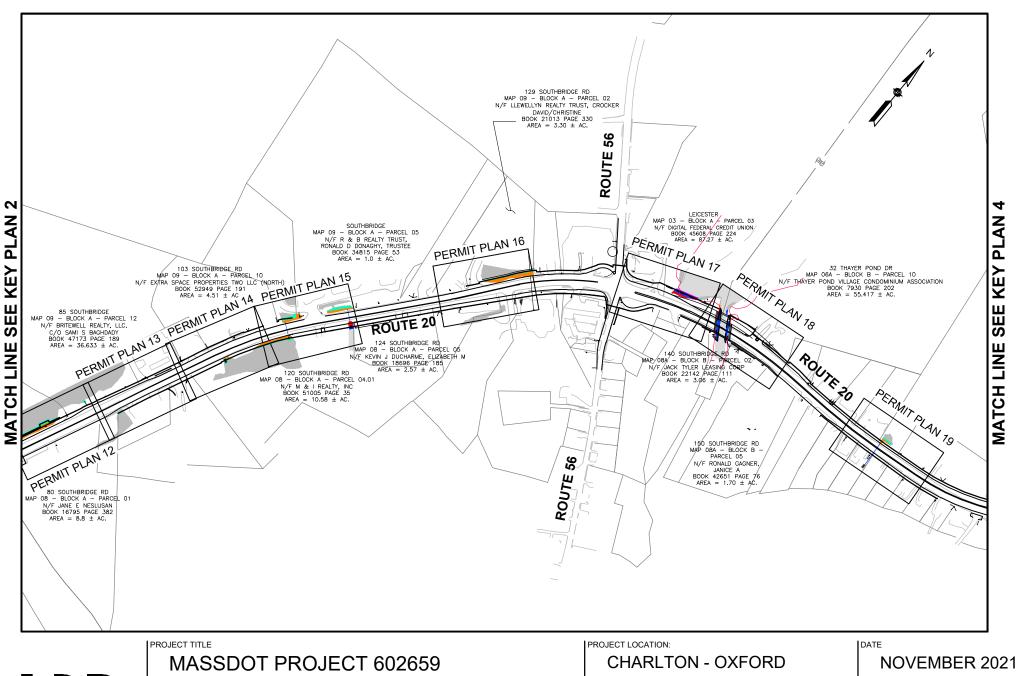
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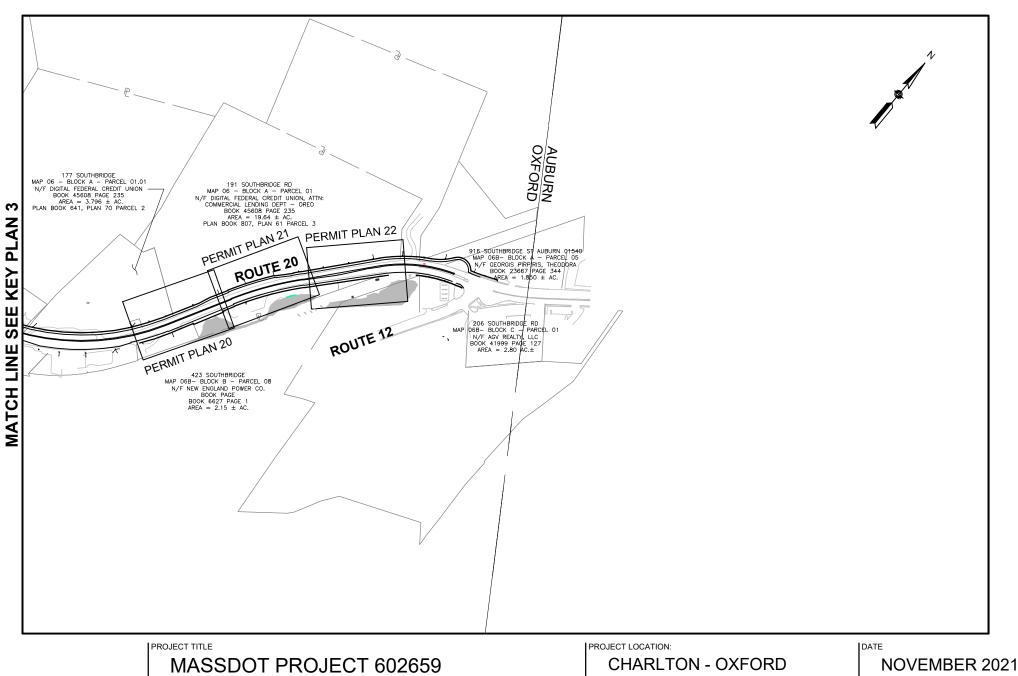


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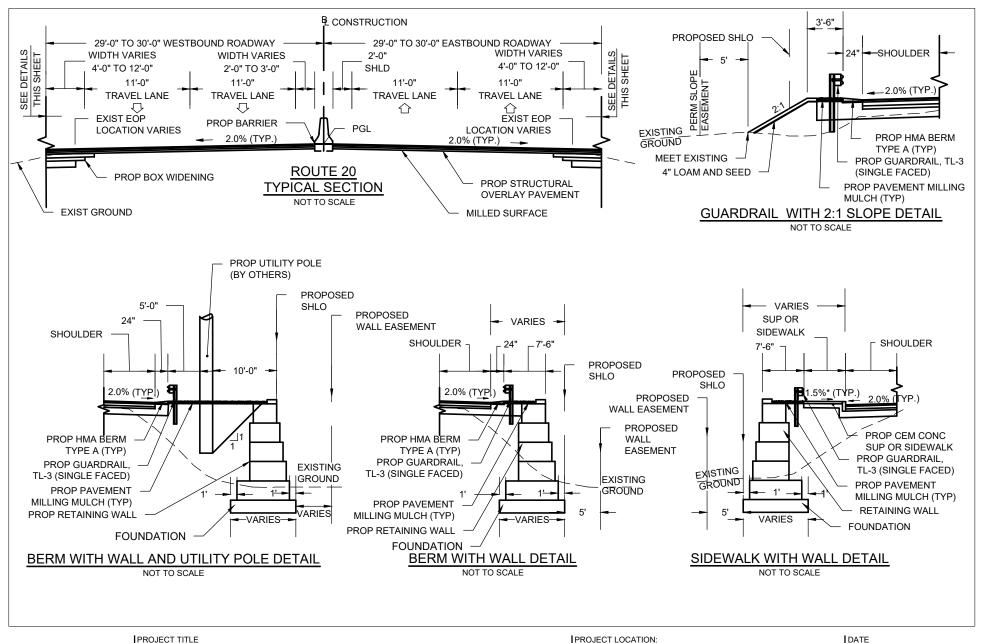
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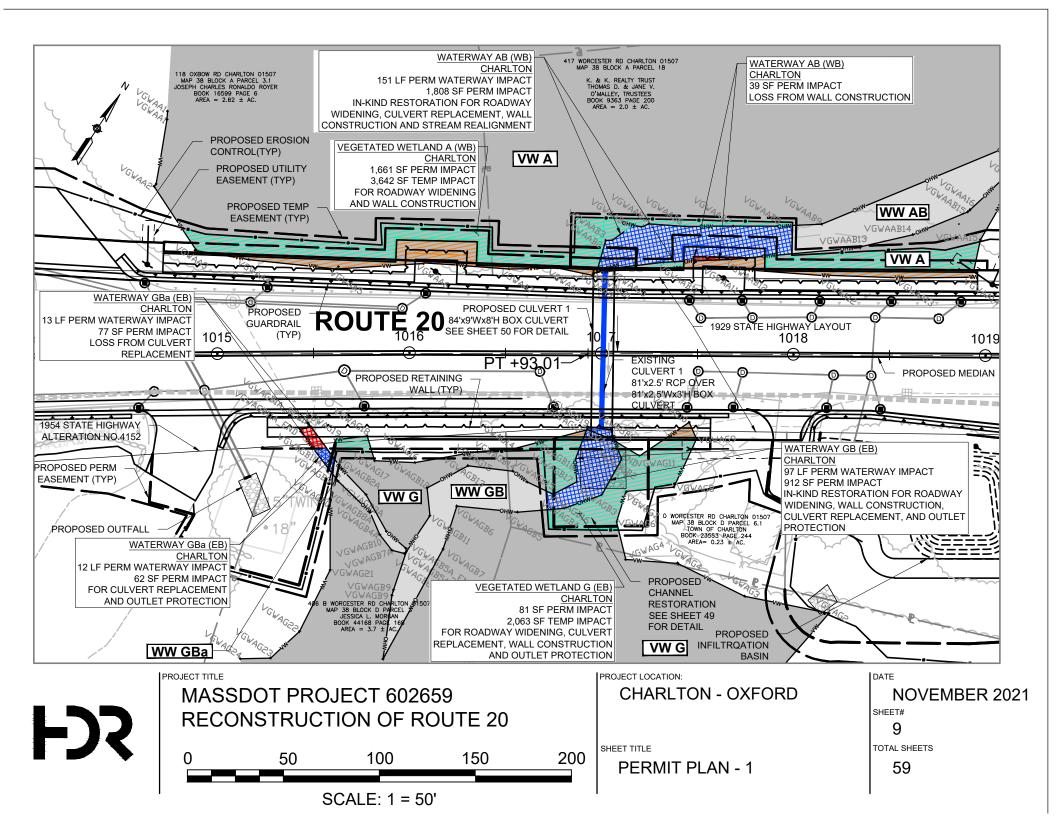
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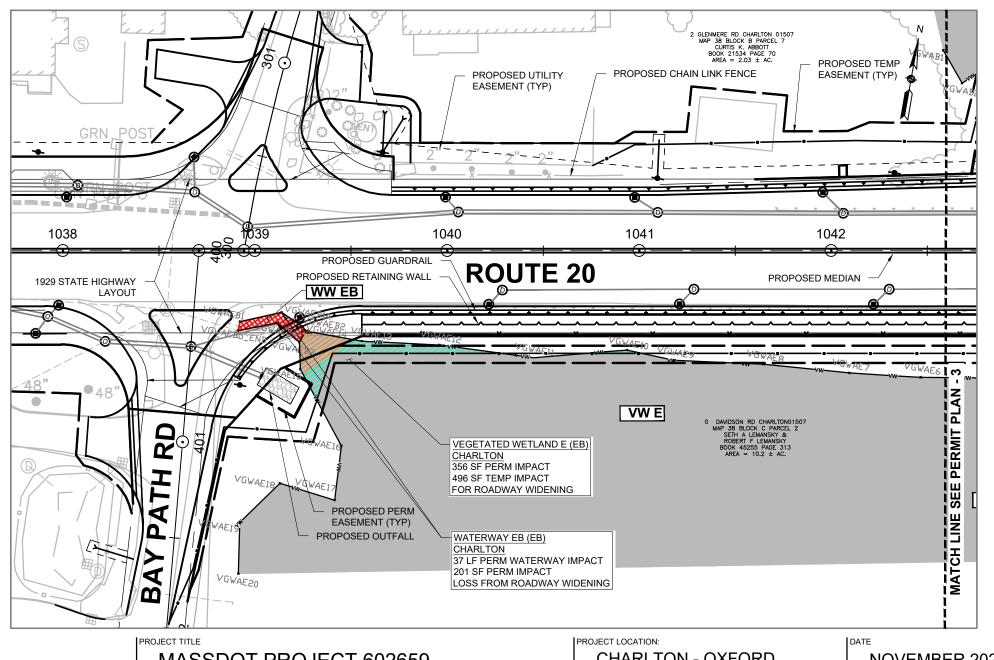




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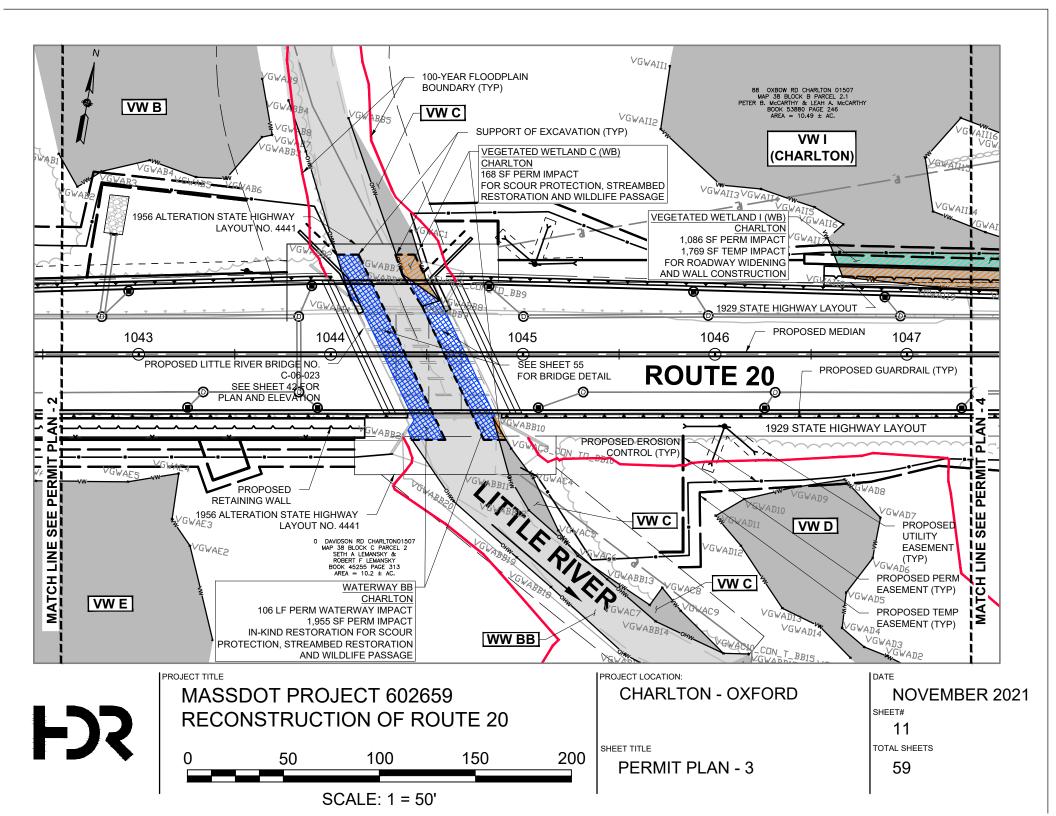
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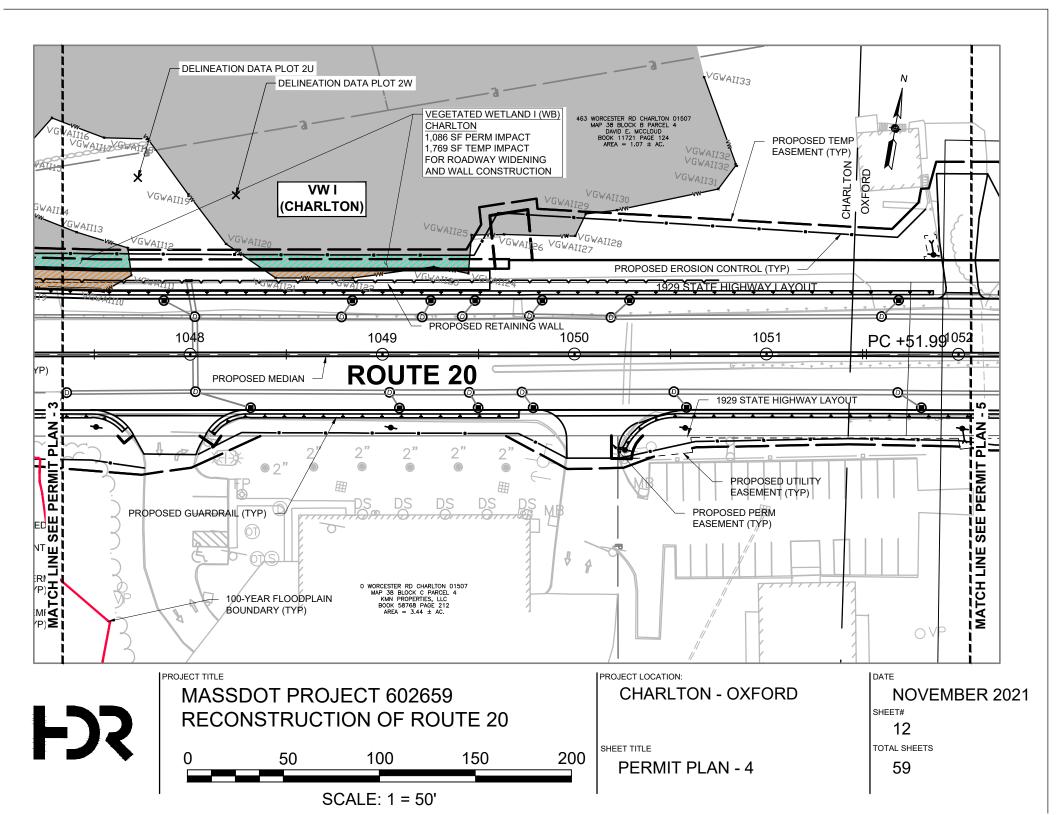
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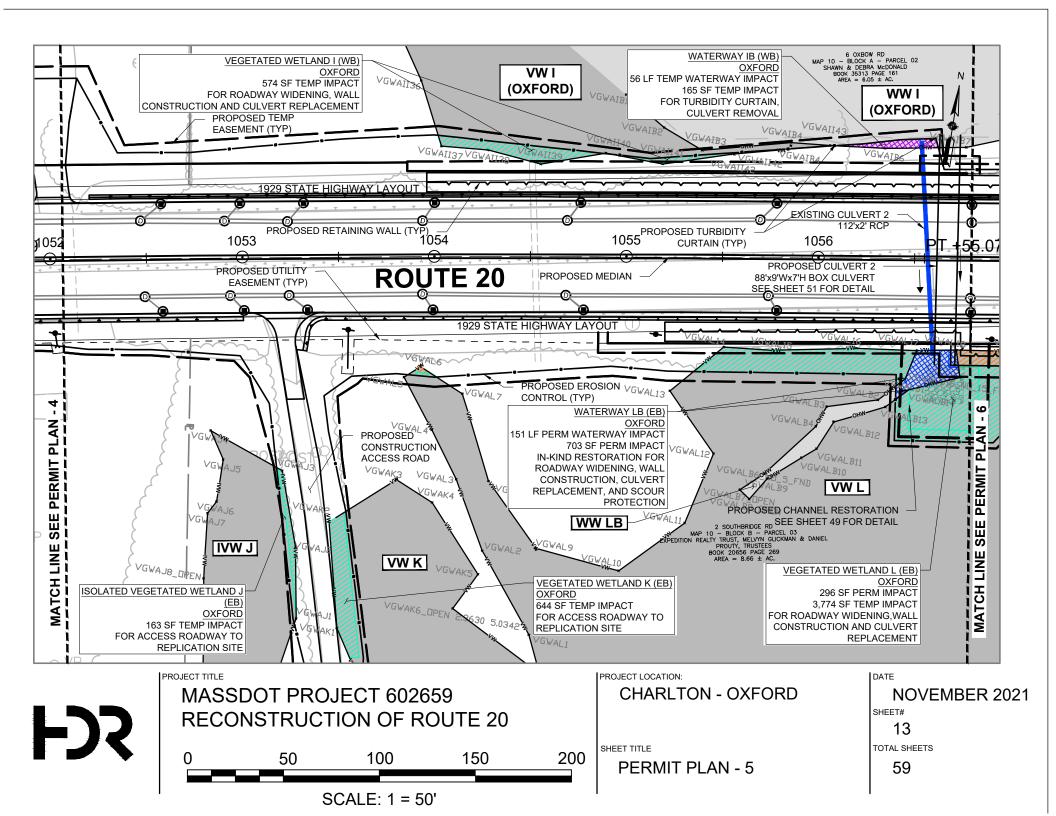
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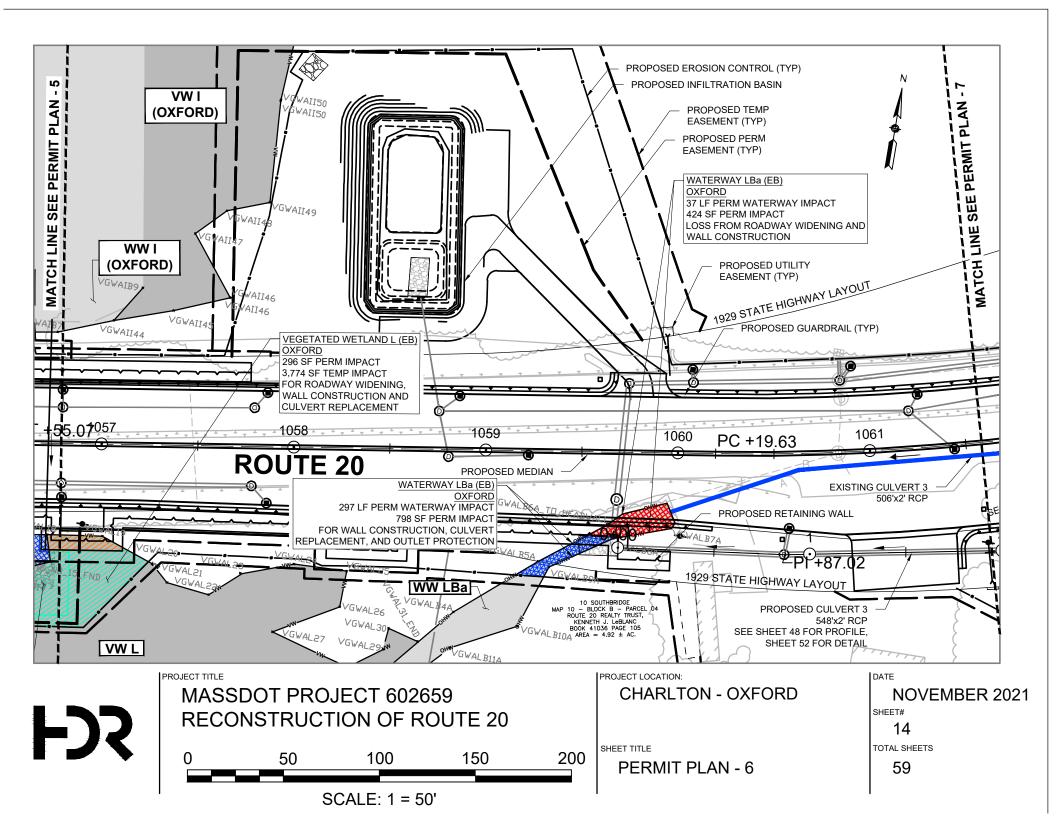
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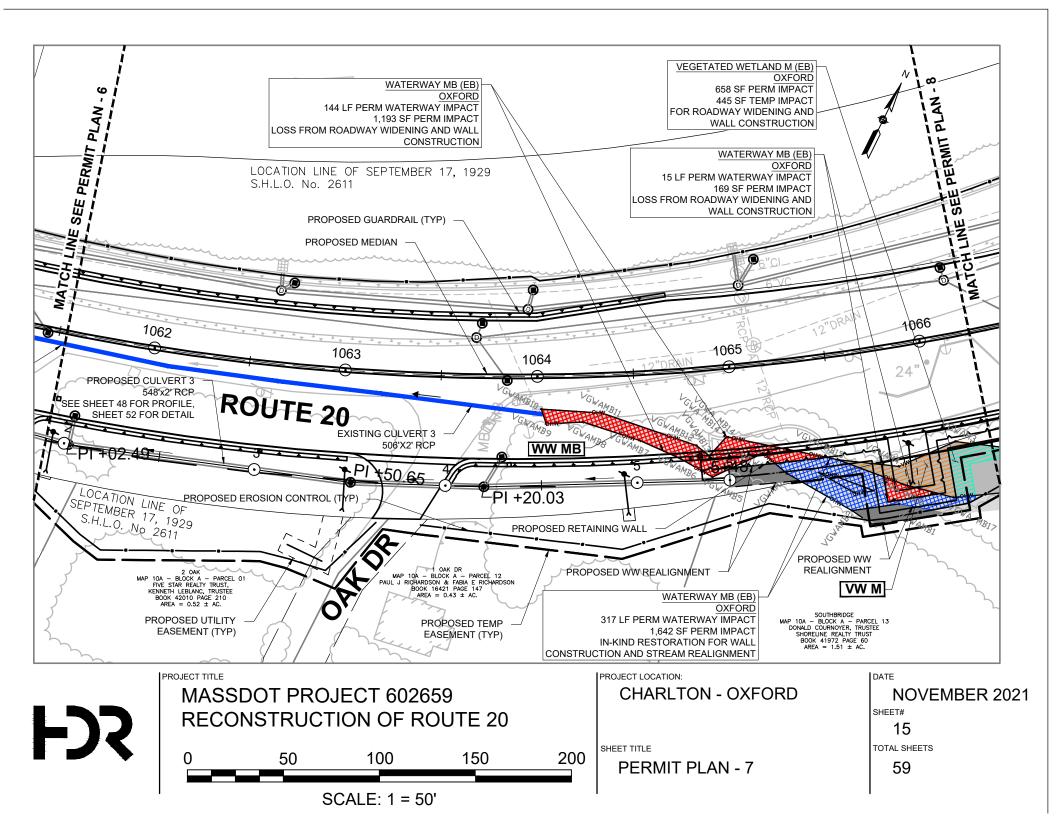
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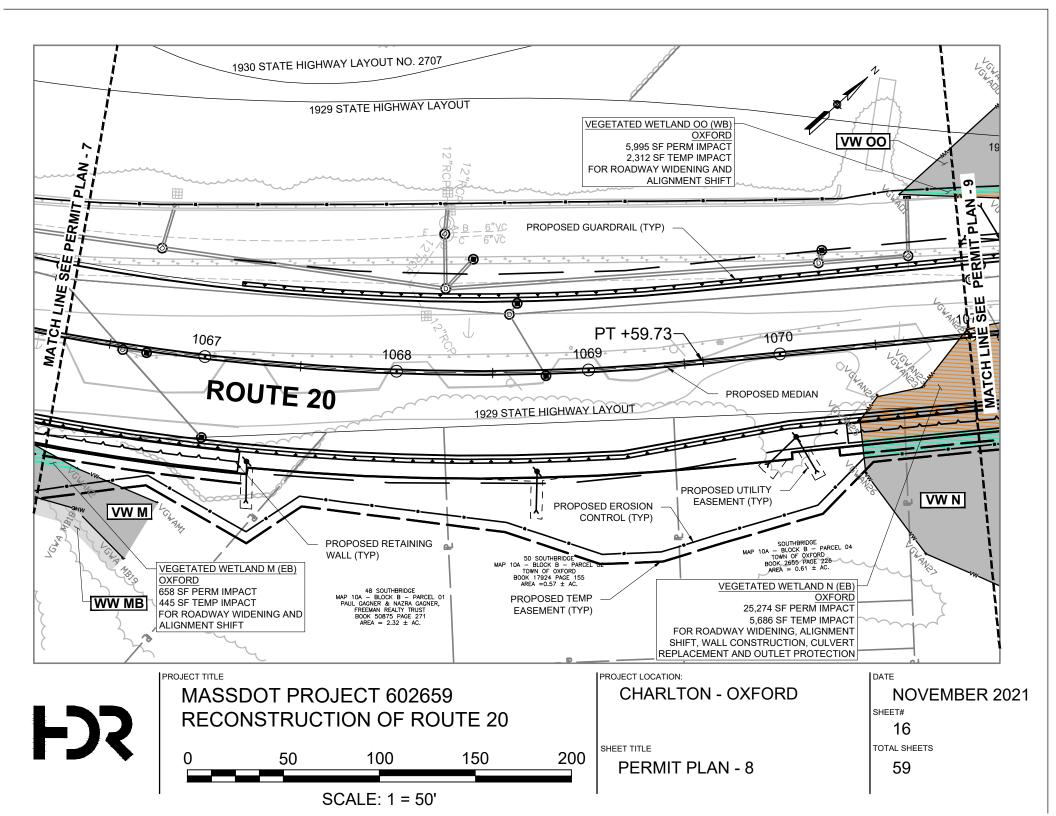


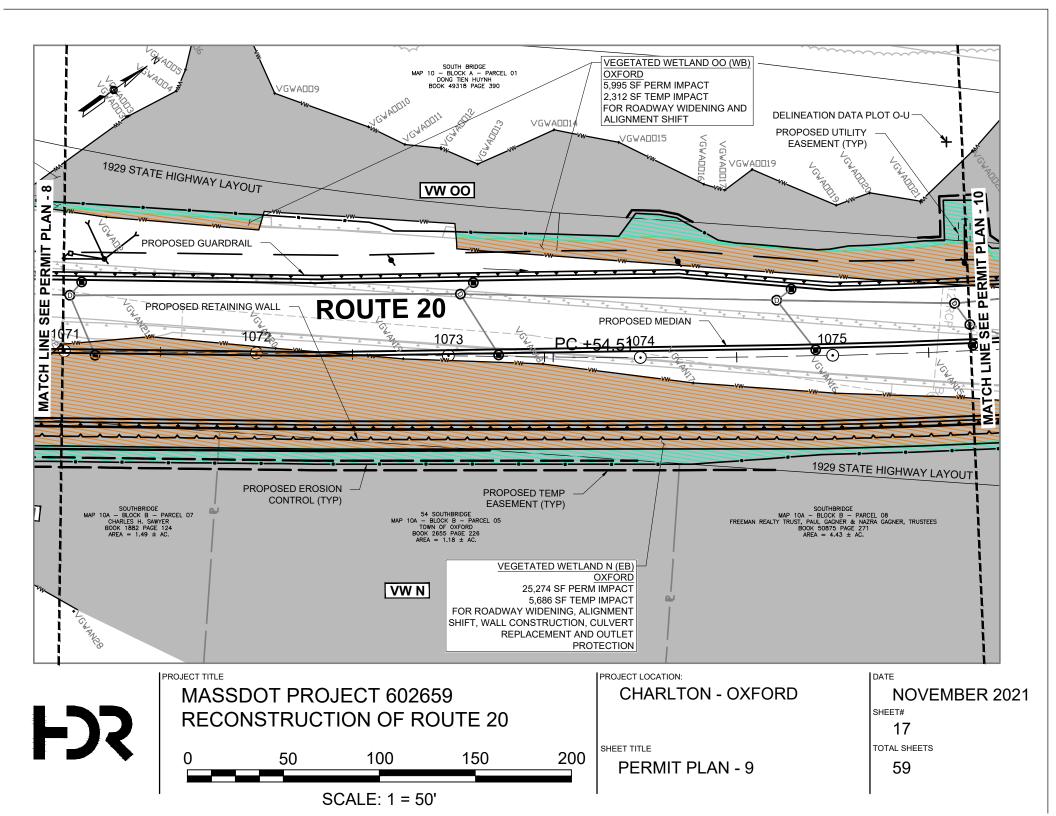


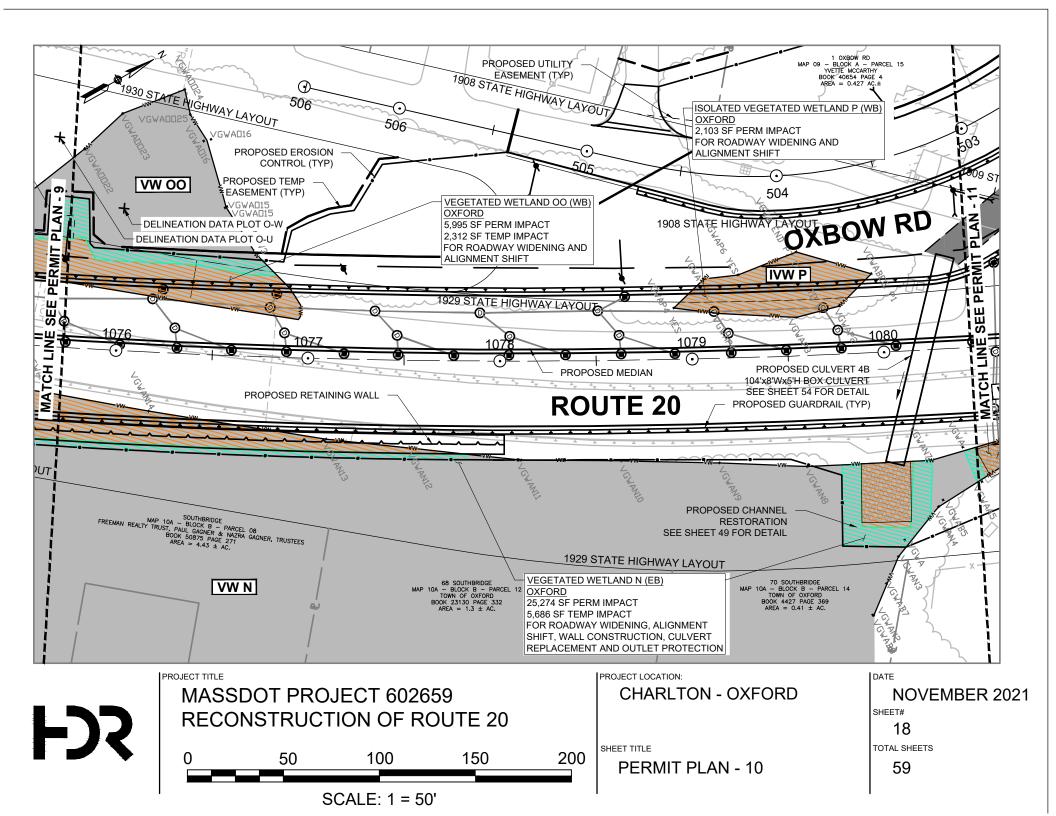


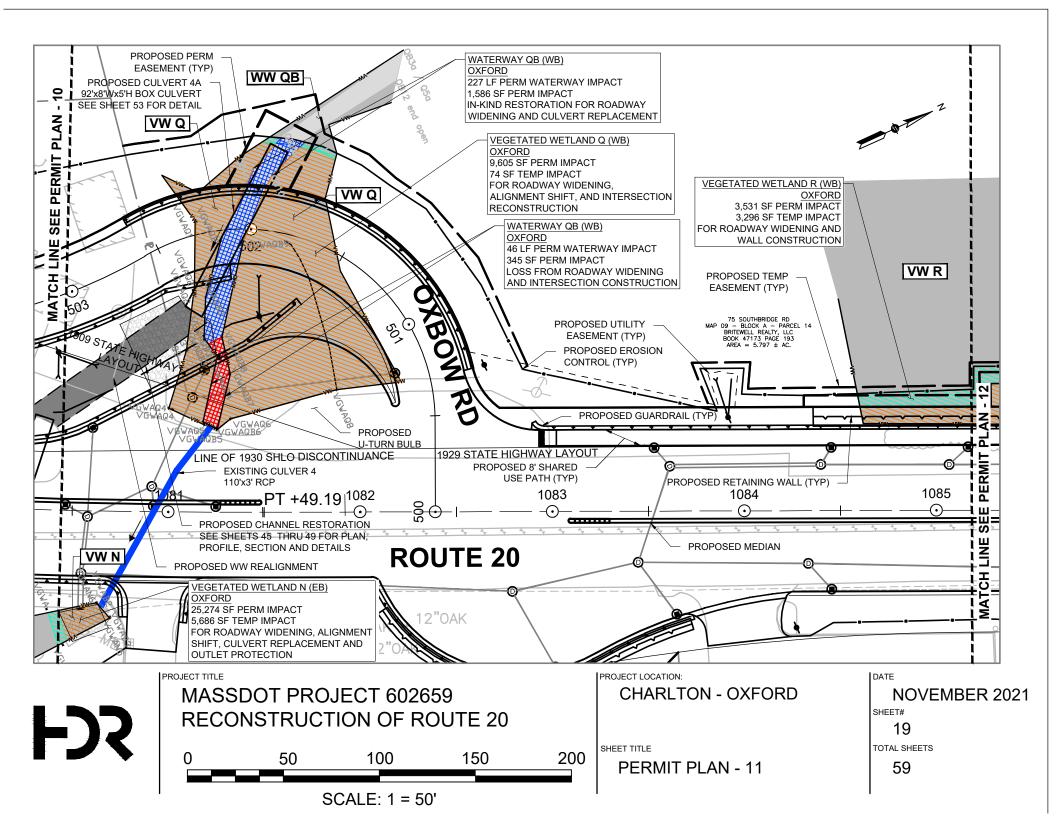


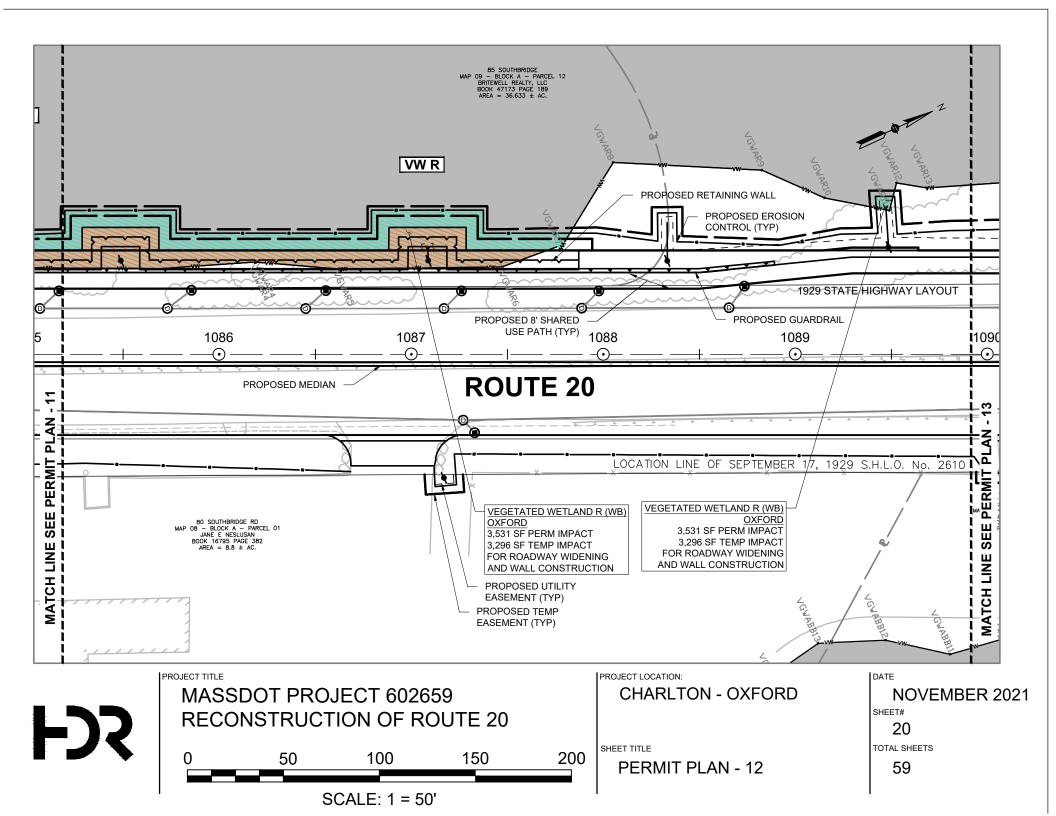


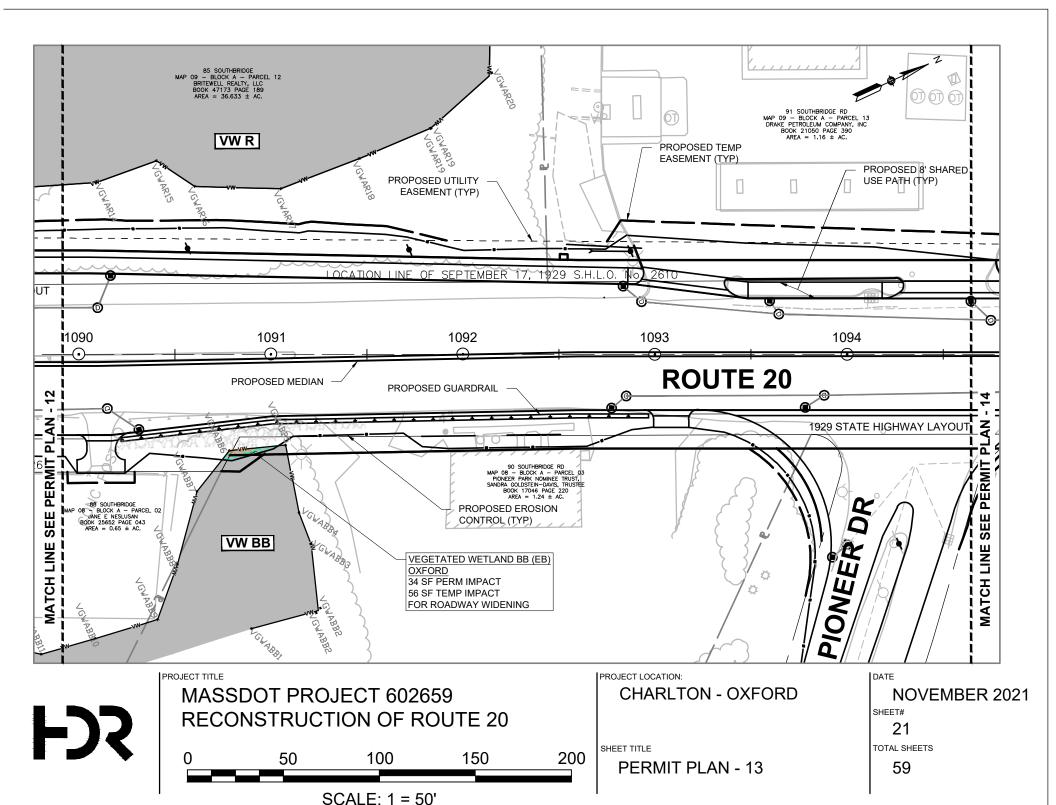


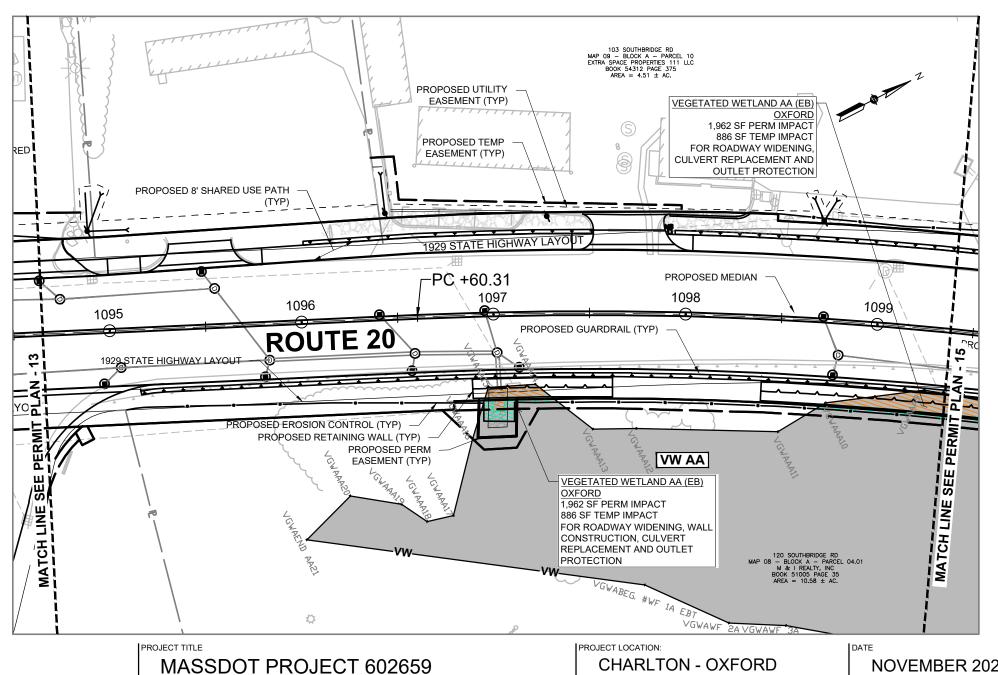




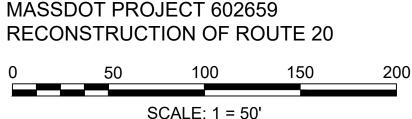










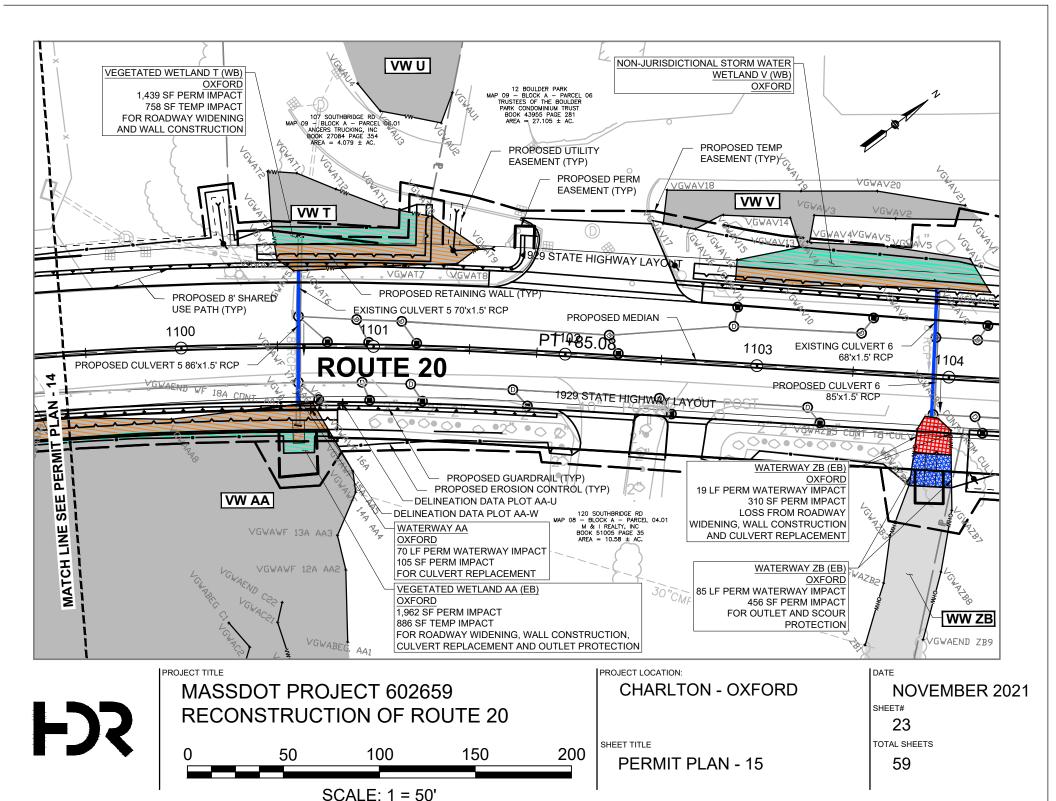


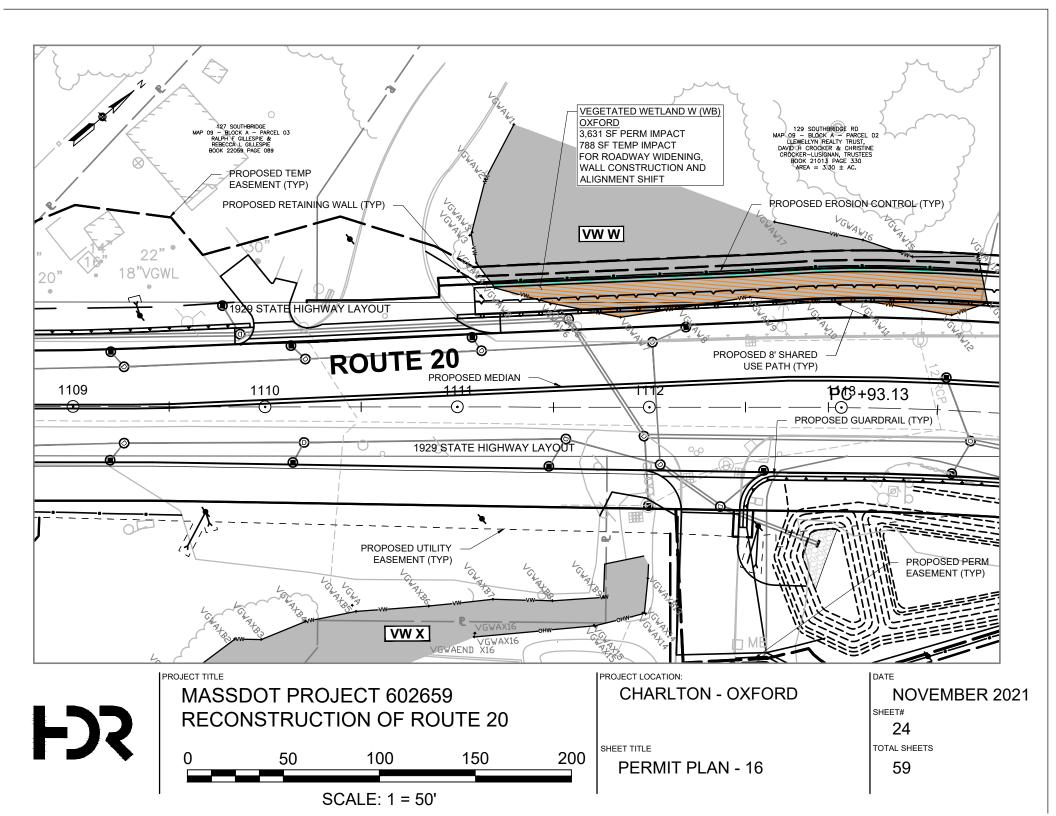
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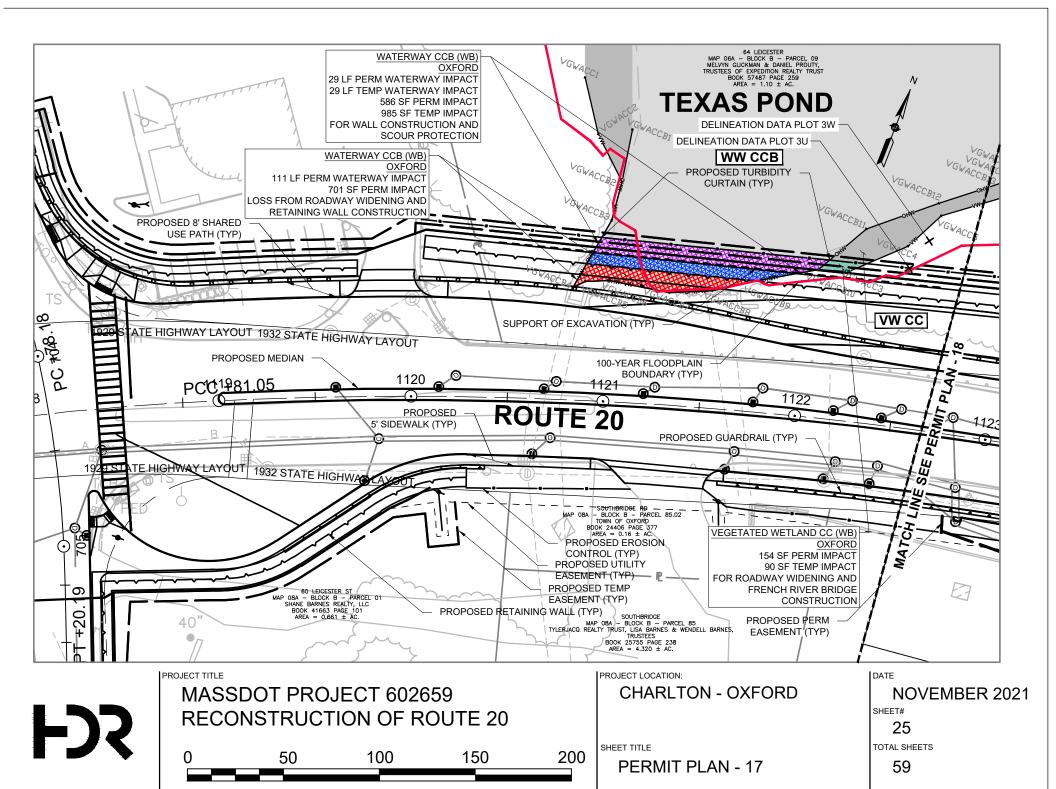
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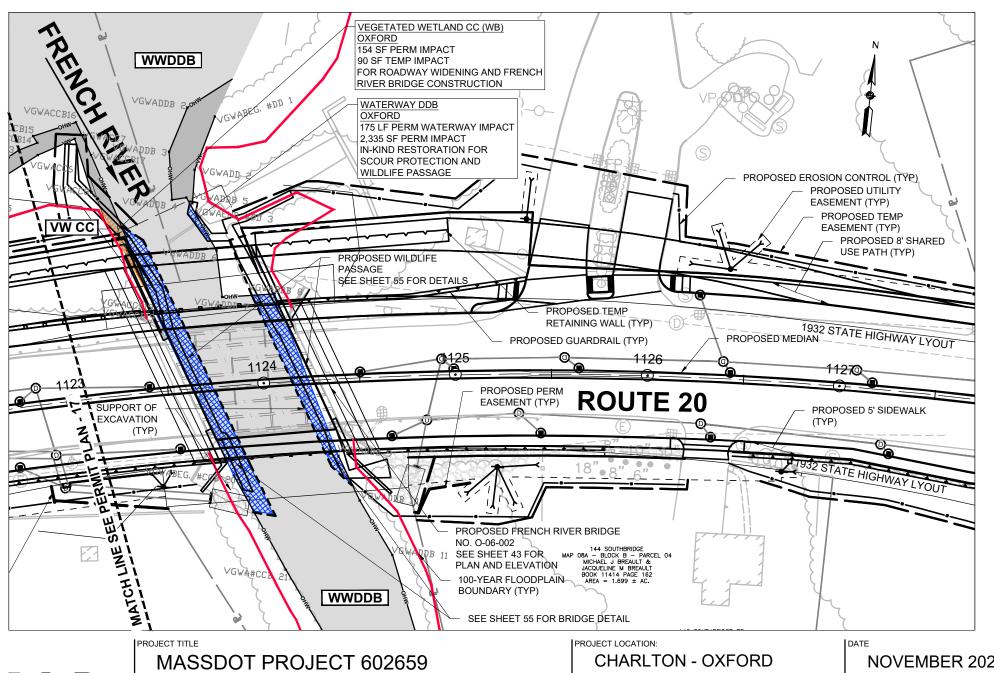
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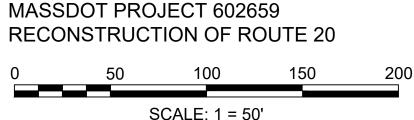




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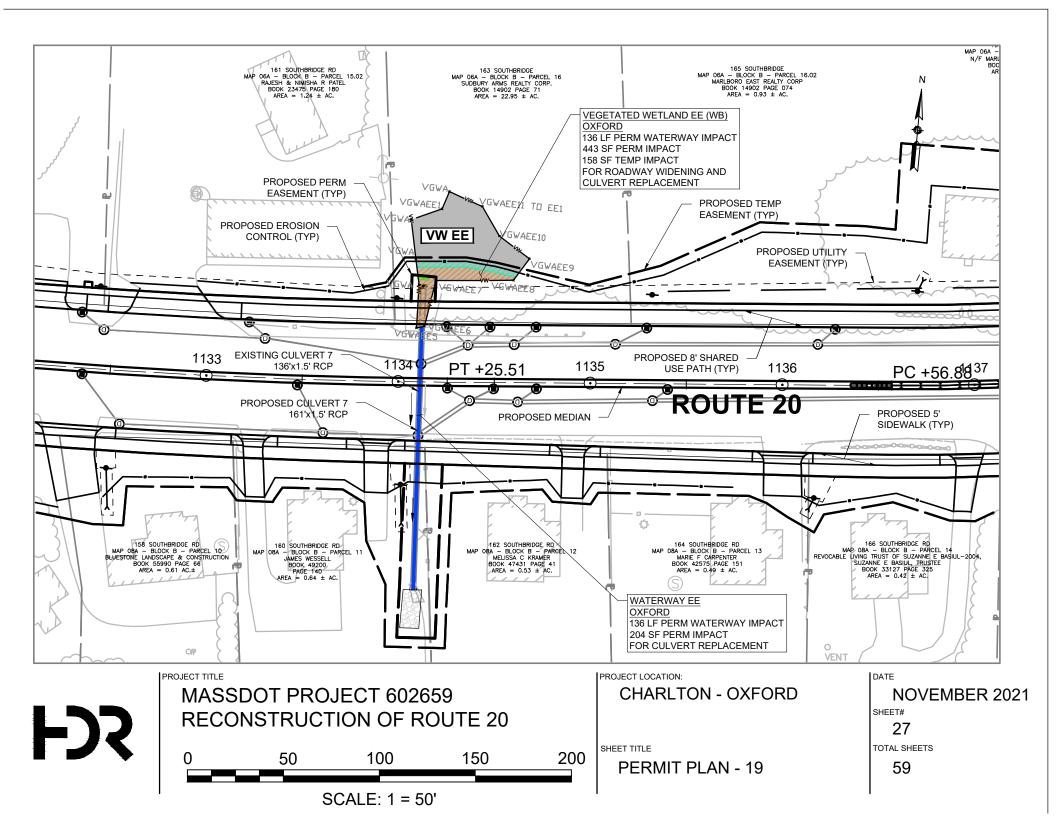


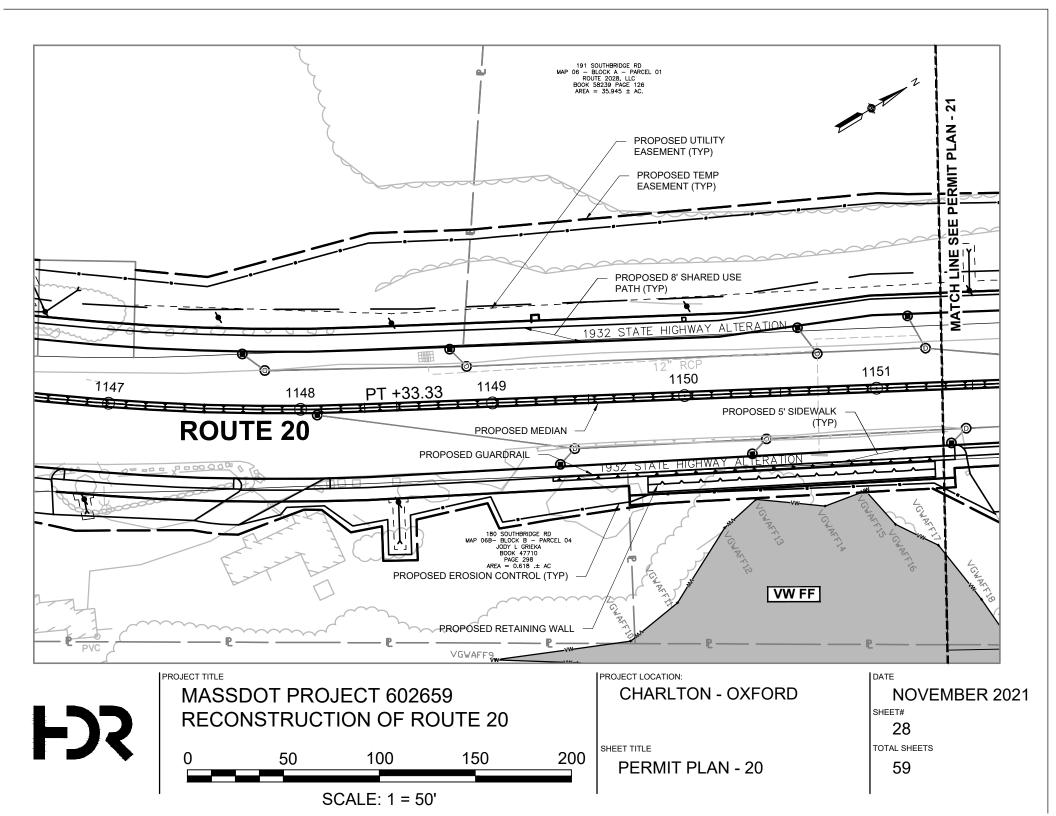
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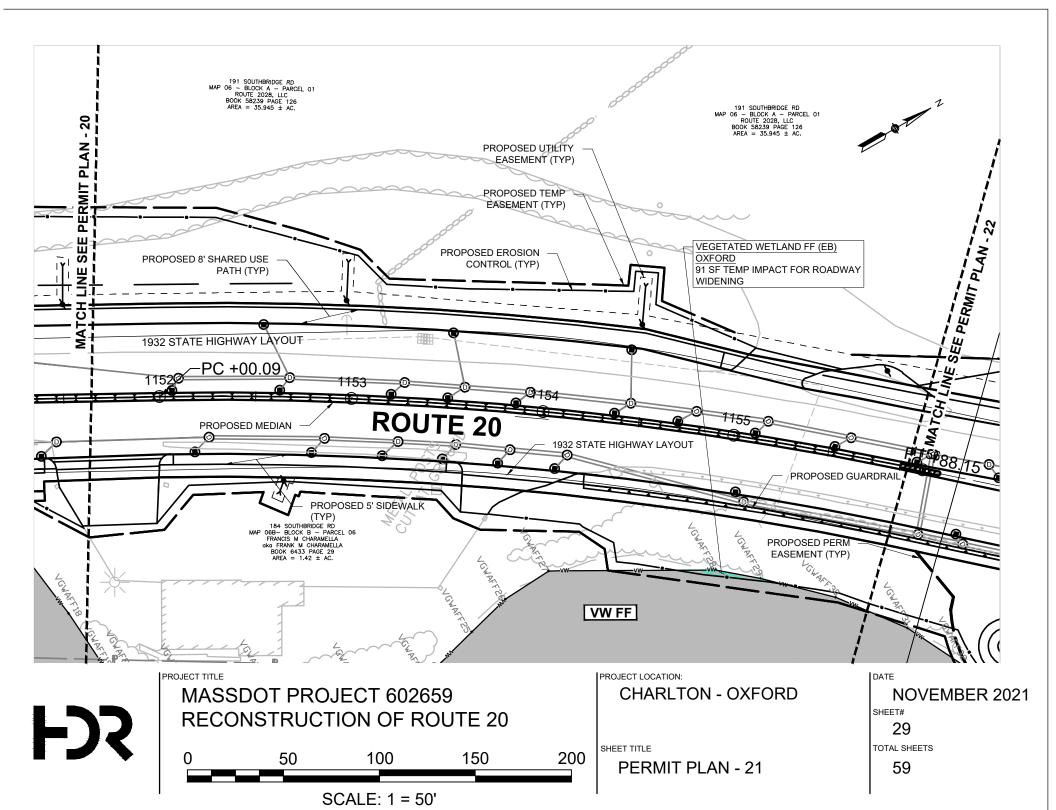
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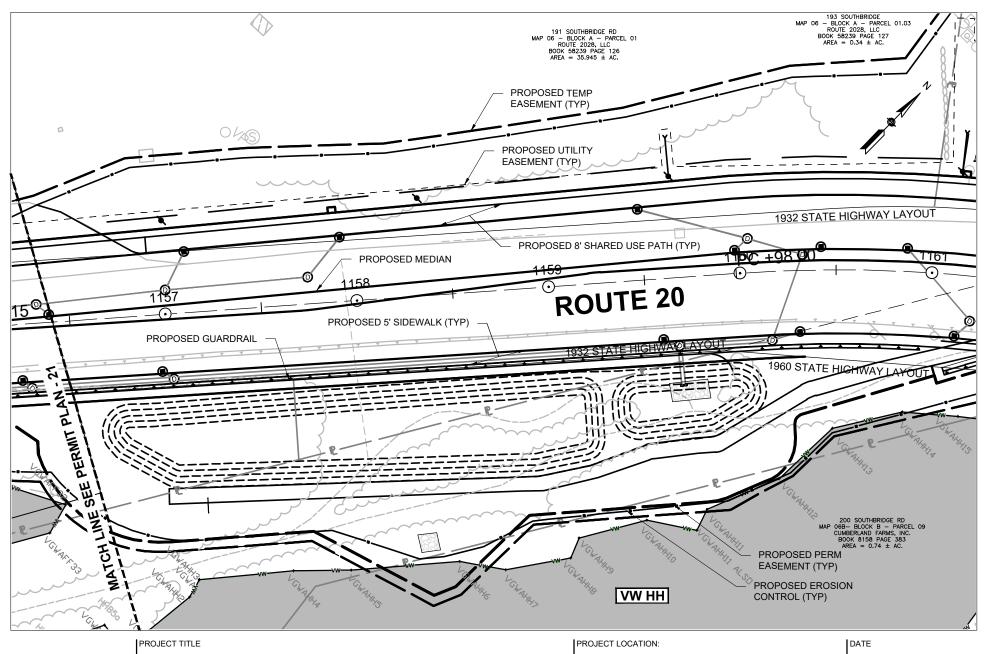
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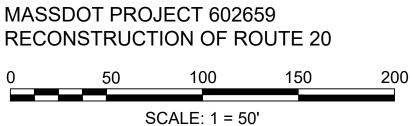










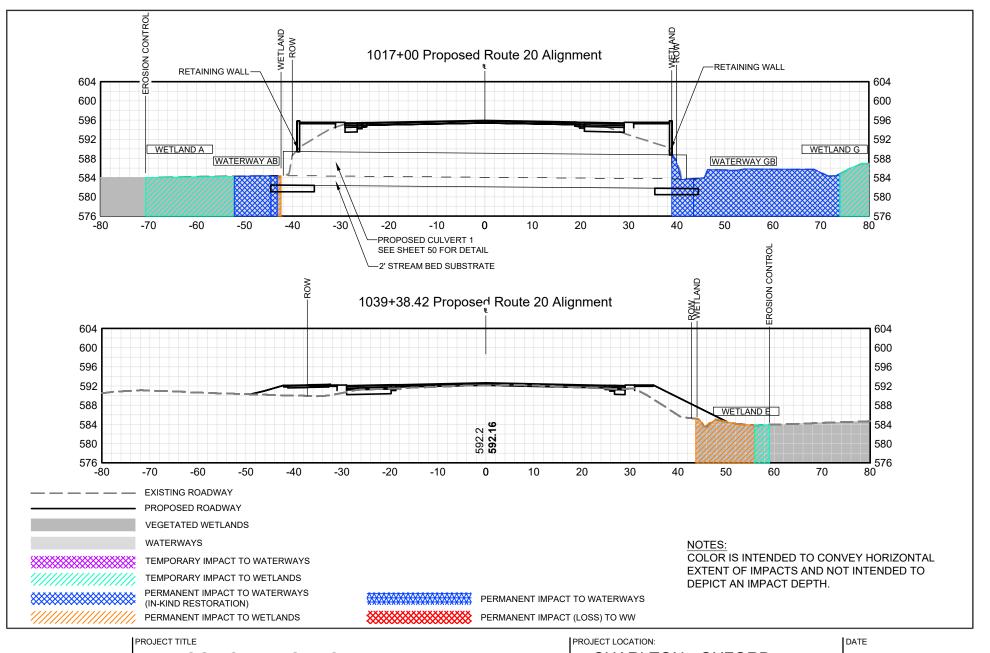


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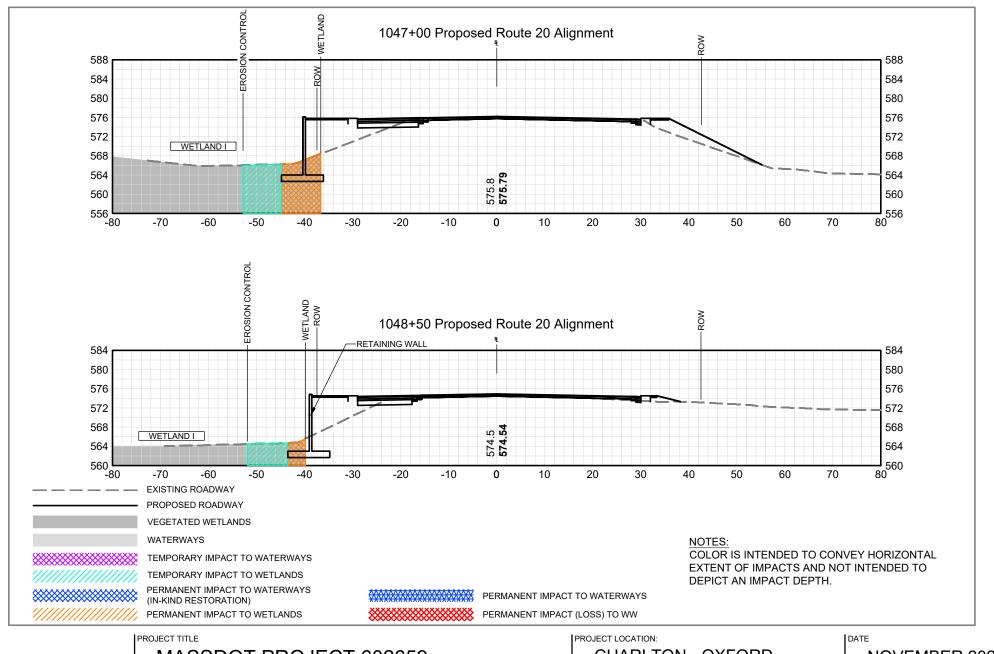
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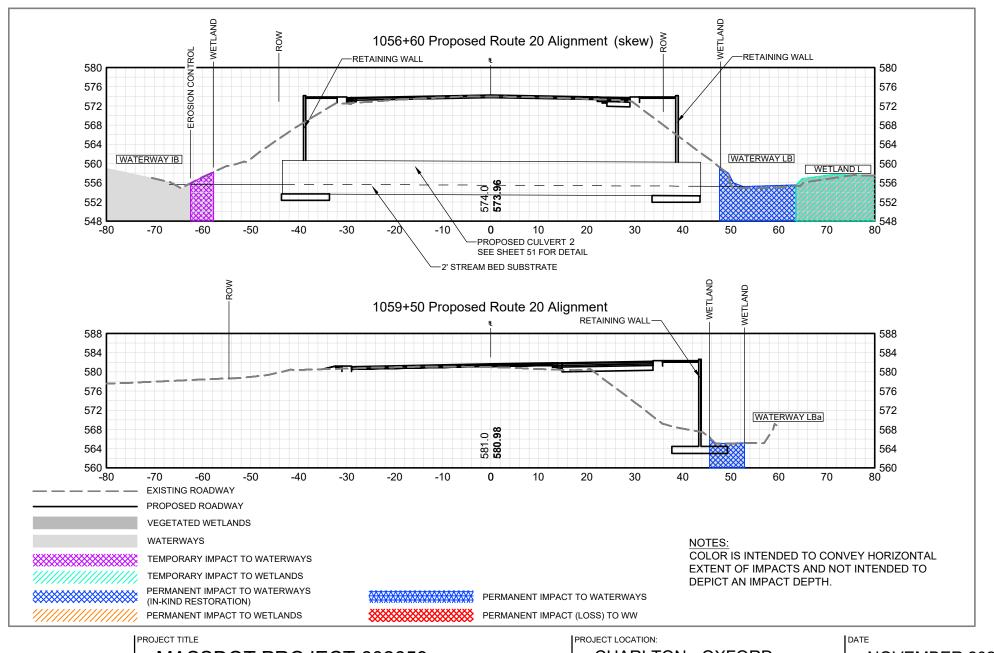
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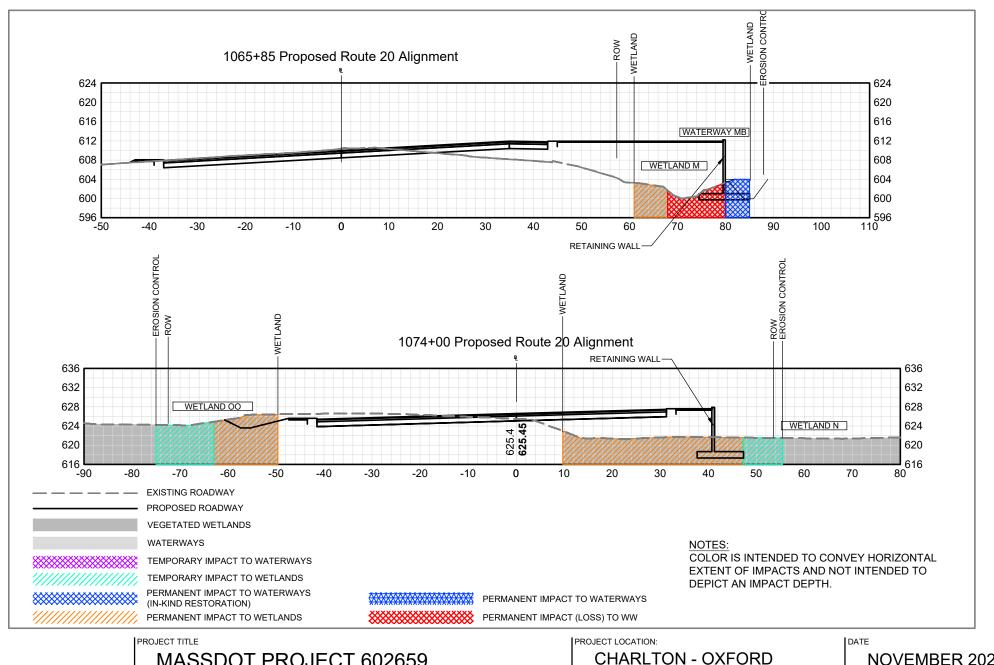


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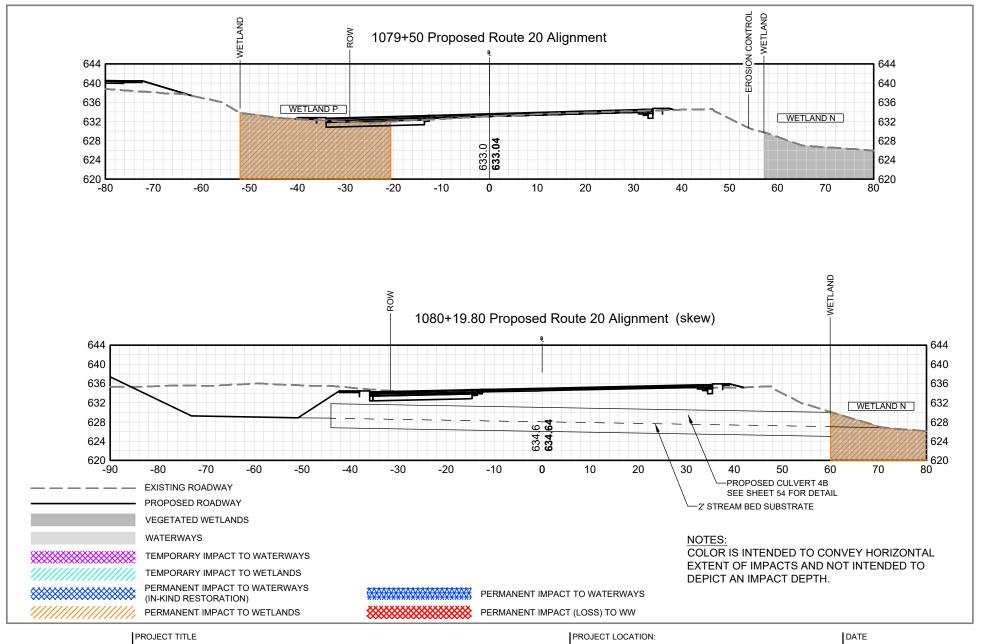


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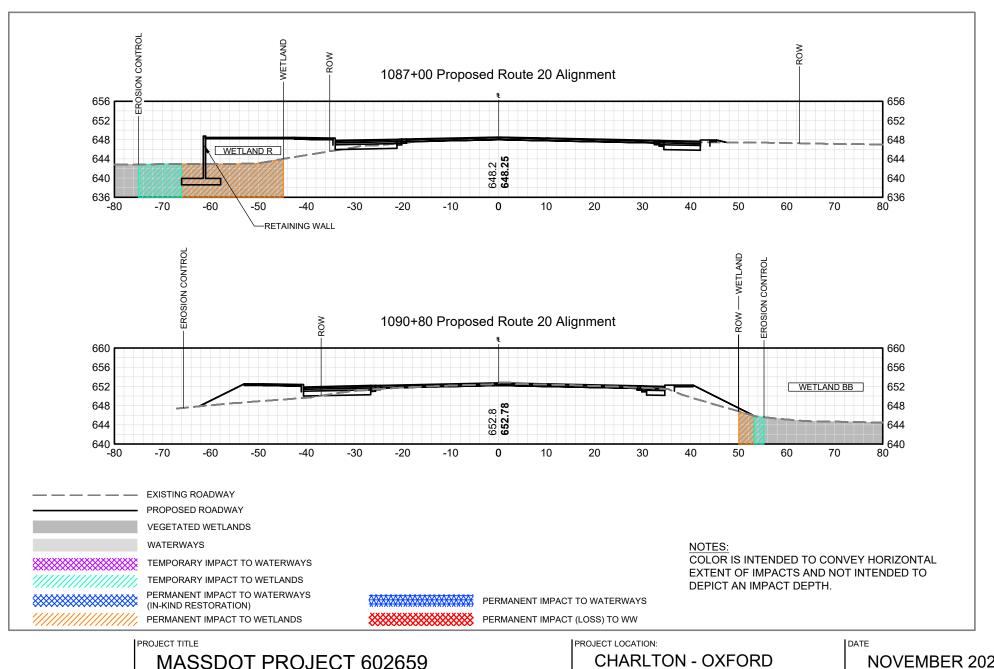


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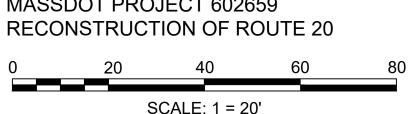
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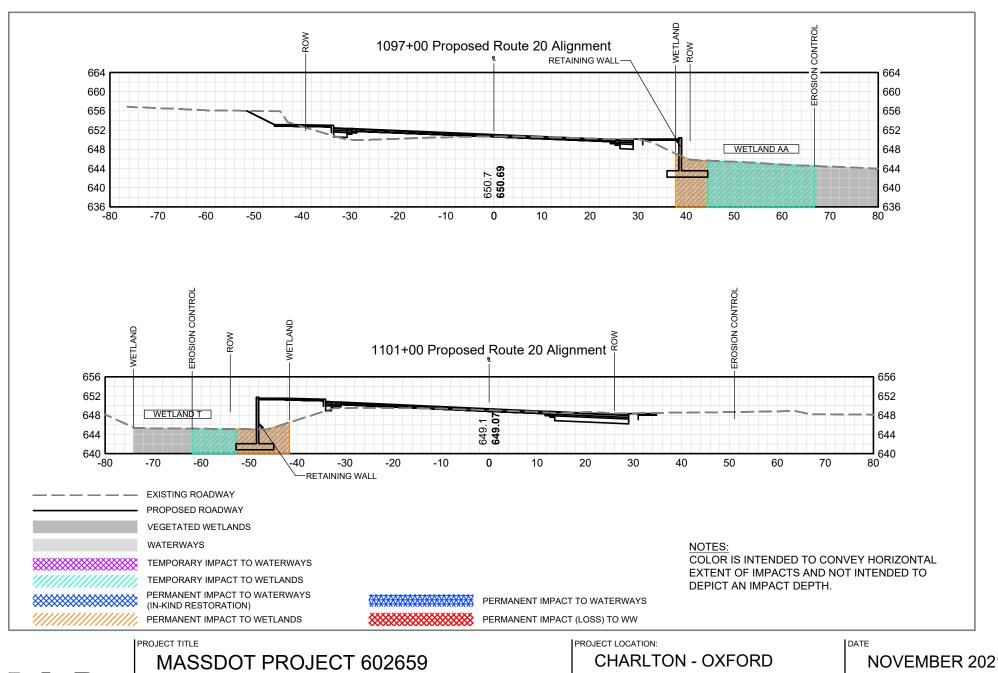


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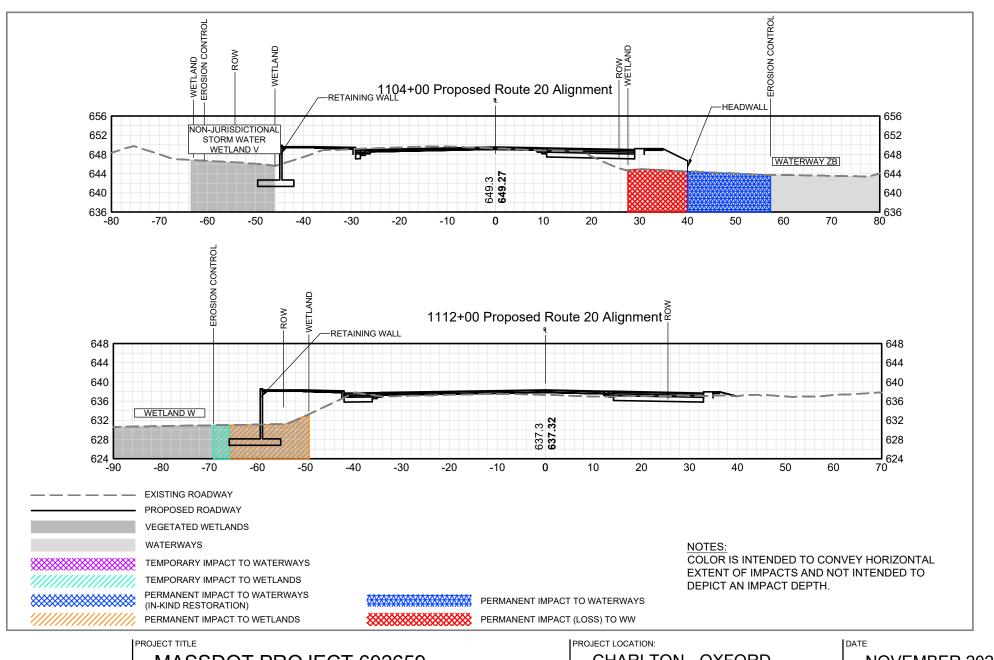
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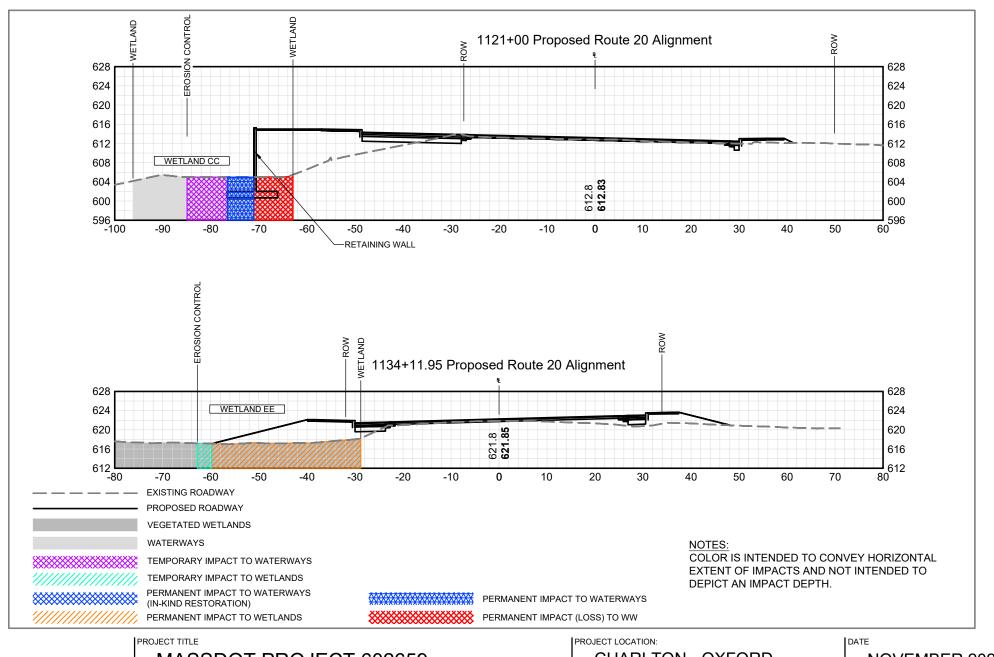


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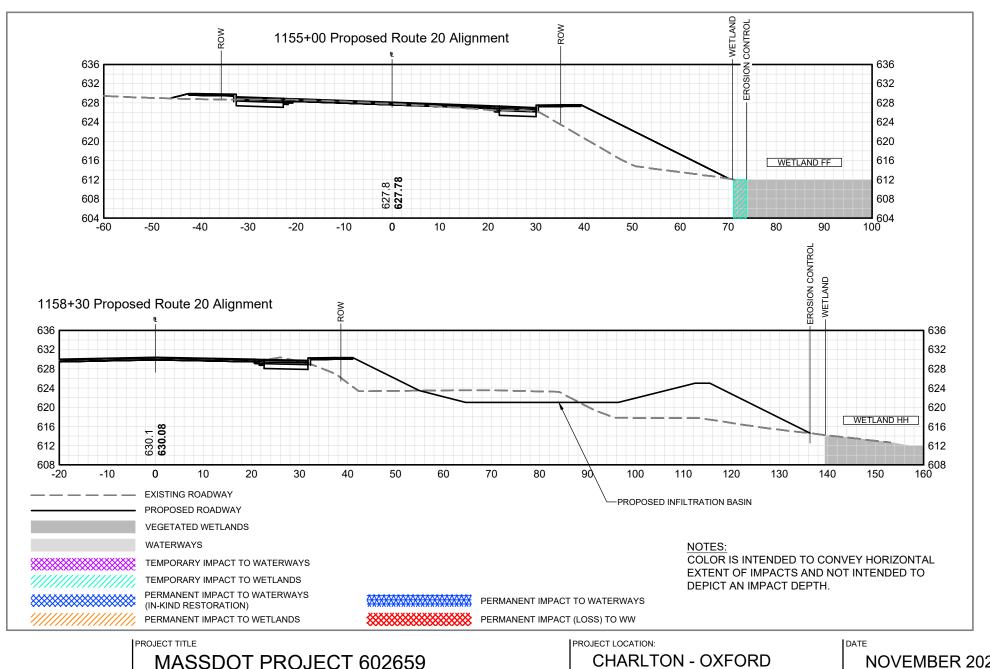




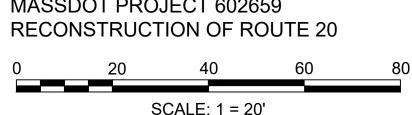
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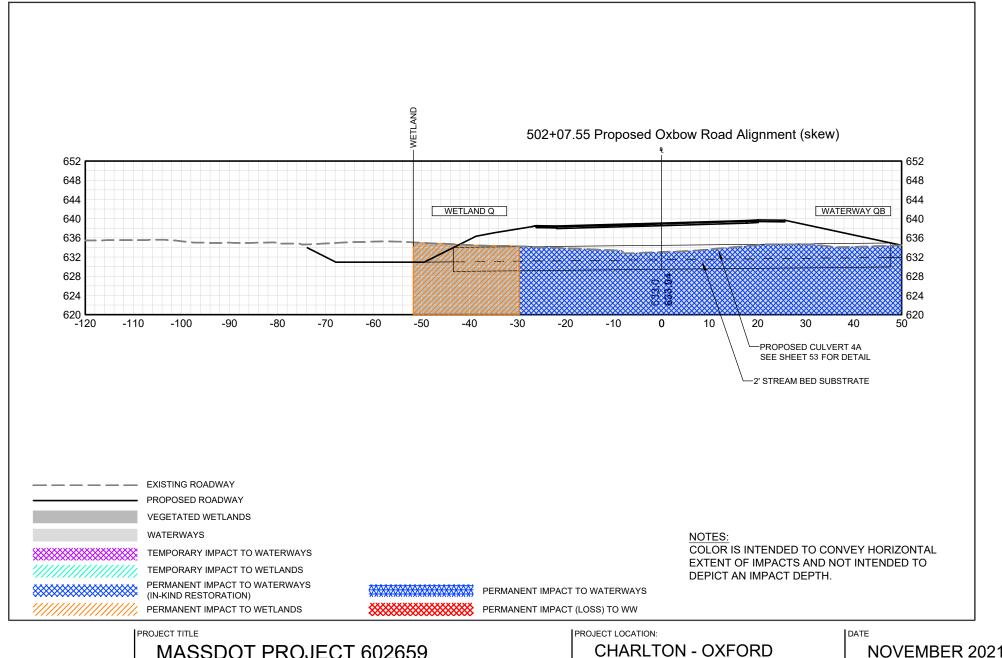




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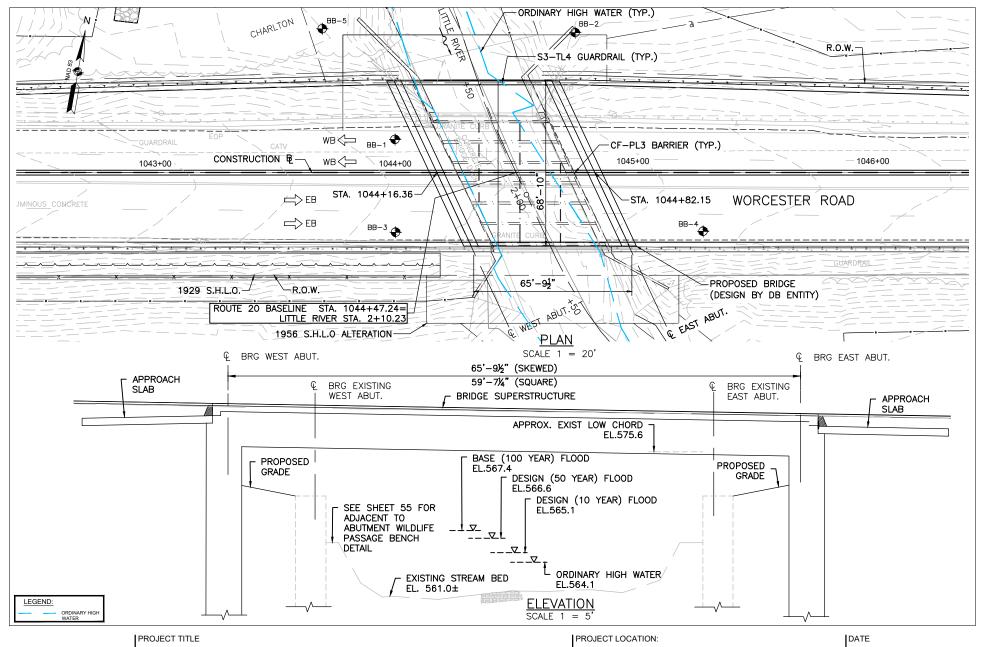
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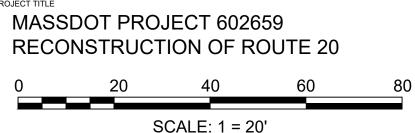
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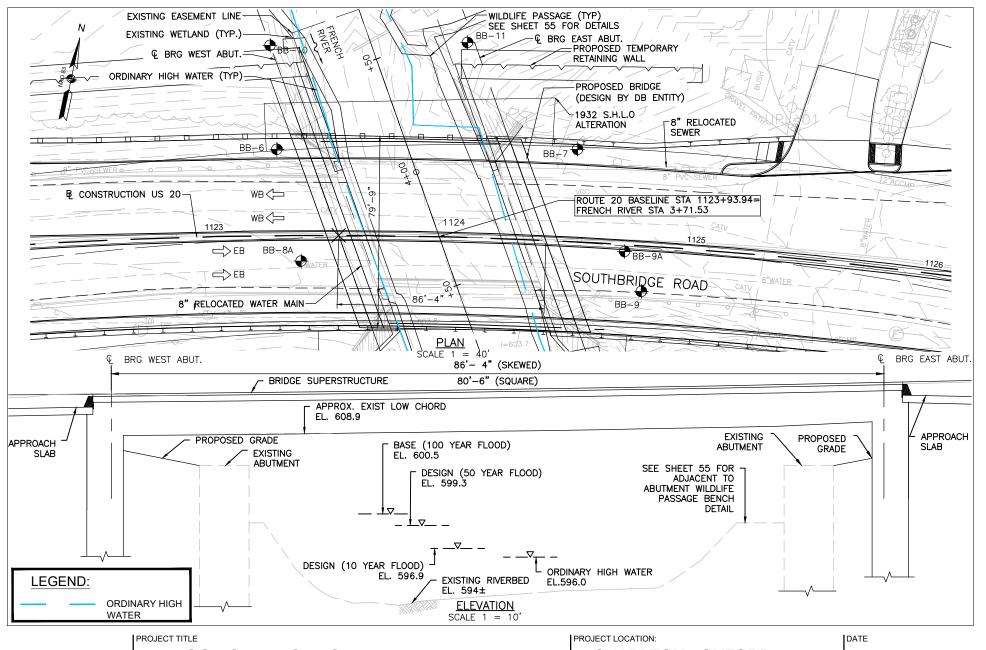




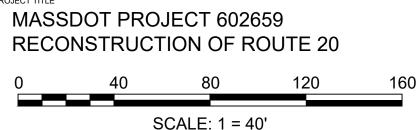
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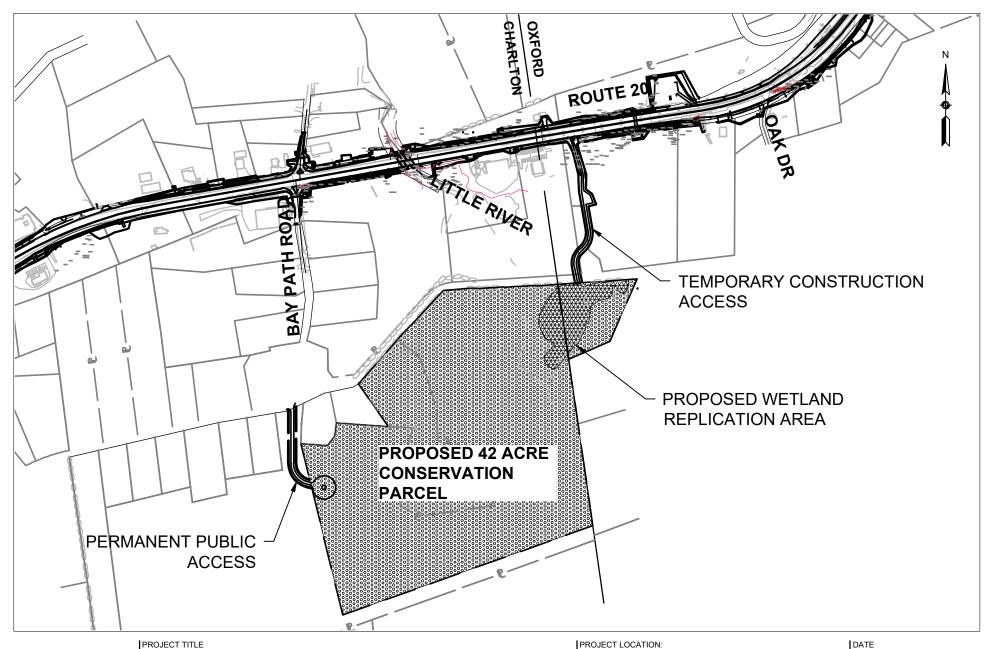


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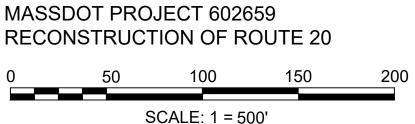
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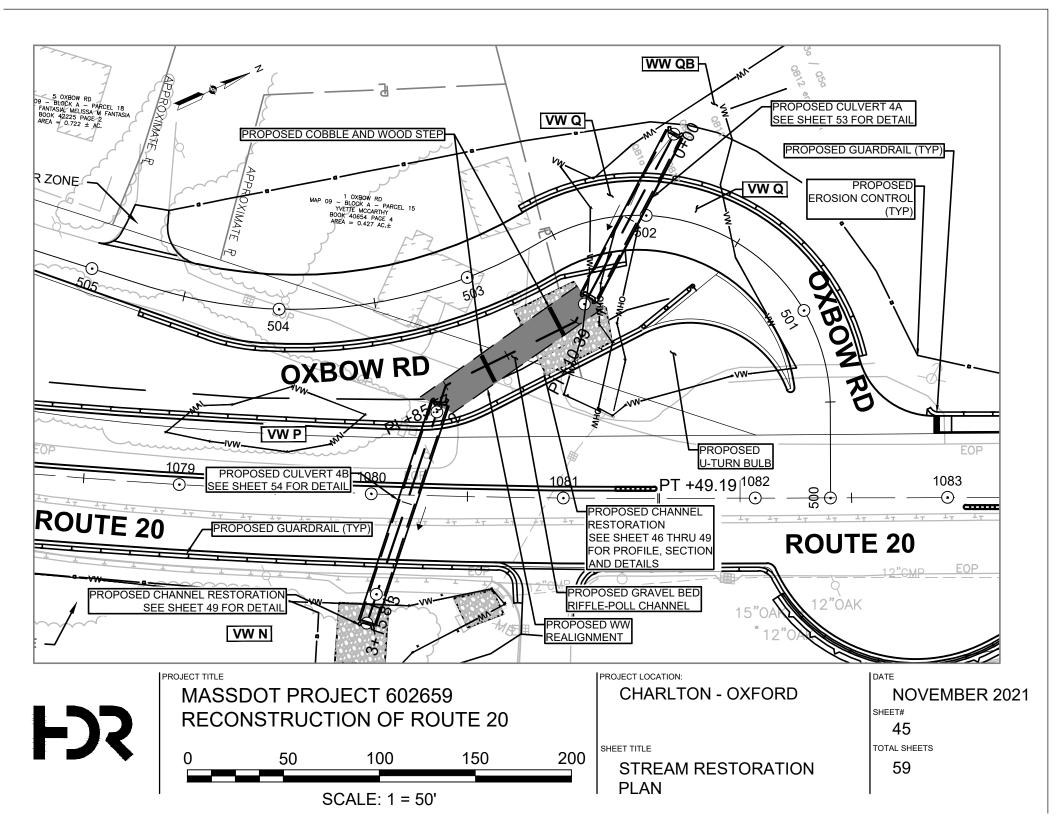
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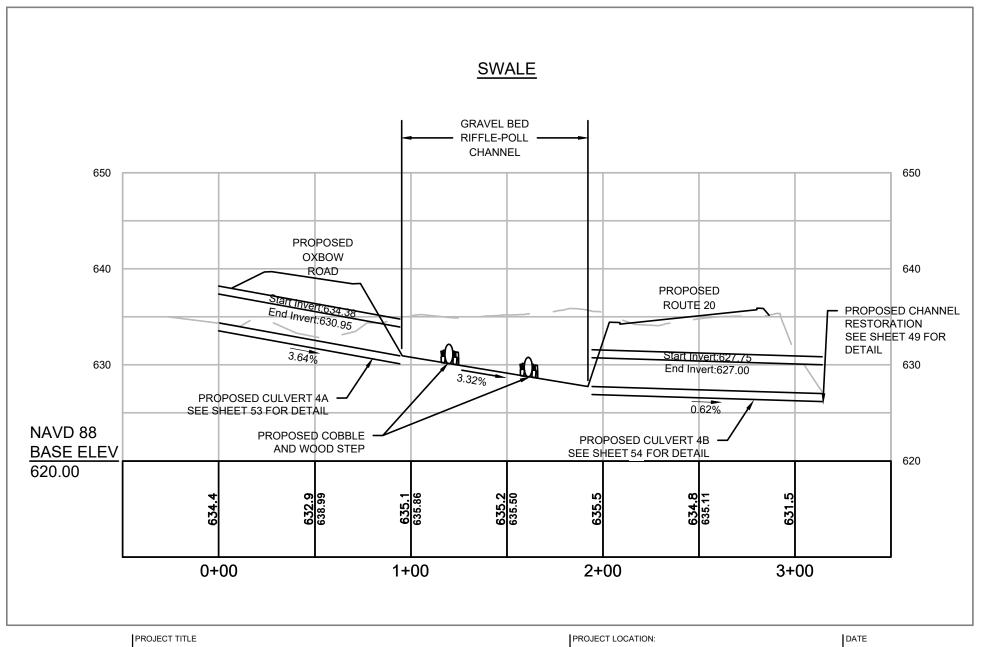
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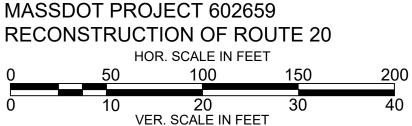
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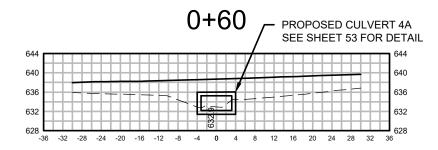


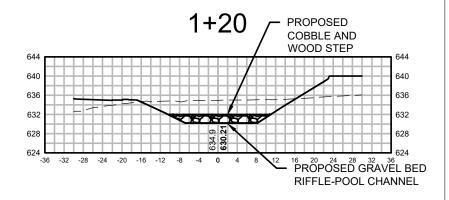


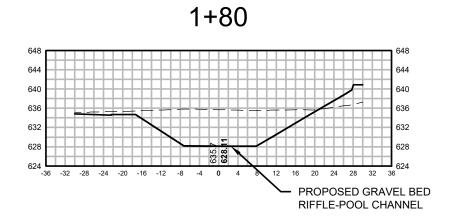




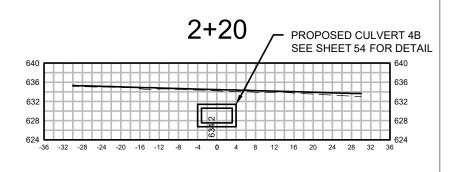
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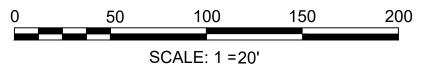


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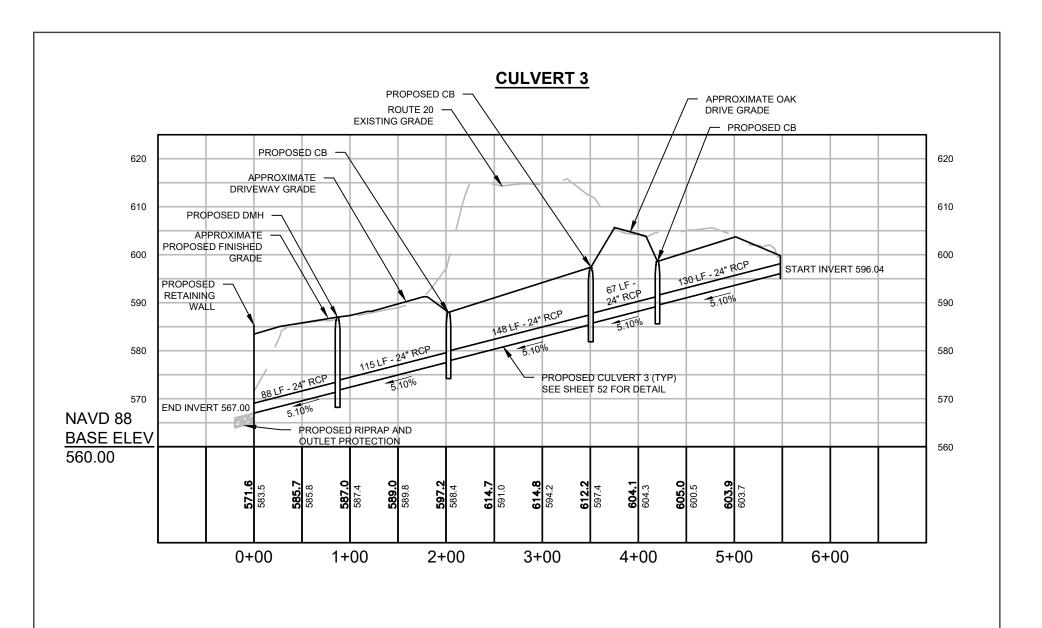
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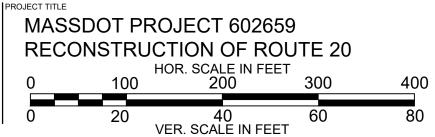
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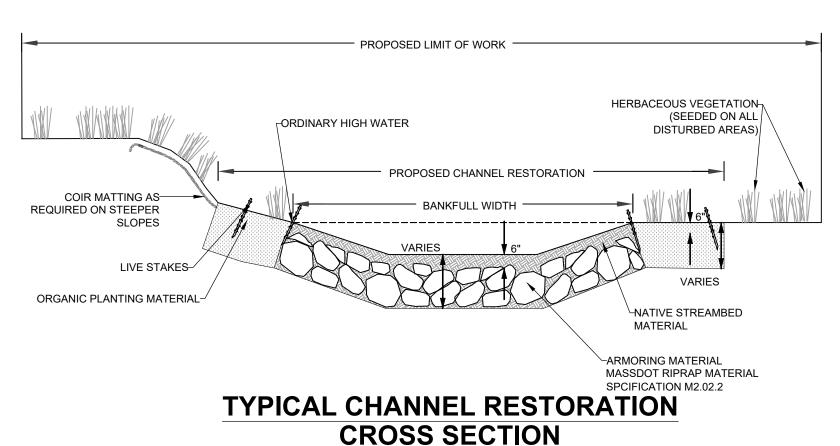


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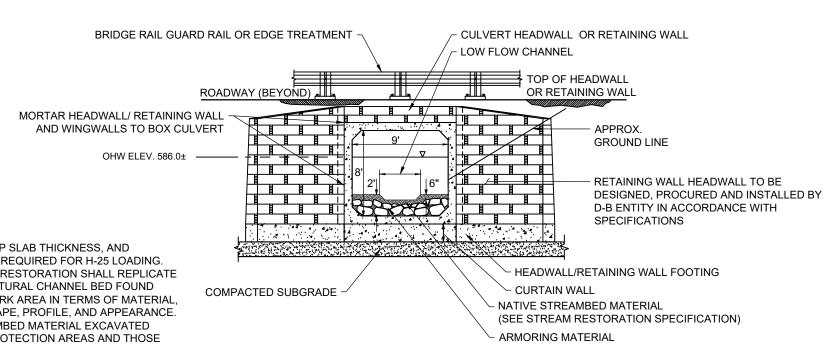
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STREAMBED/BANK **RESTORATION DETAIL** 



## **CULVERT 1 CROSS SECTION**

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## NOTES:

- WALL, FLOOR, TOP SLAB THICKNESS, AND REINFORCING AS REQUIRED FOR H-25 LOADING.
- THE STREAMBED RESTORATION SHALL REPLICATE THE EXISTING NATURAL CHANNEL BED FOUND OUTSIDE THE WORK AREA IN TERMS OF MATERIAL, ROUGHNESS, SHAPE, PROFILE, AND APPEARANCE.
- 3. EXISTING STREAMBED MATERIAL EXCAVATED FROM OUTLET PROTECTION AREAS AND THOSE LOCATIONS OF PERMANENT WATERWAY IMPACTS SHALL BE STOCKPILED TO FACILITATE REINSTALLATION AND REPLICATION OF THE NATURAL STREAMBED. THE EXCAVATED STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE REUSED TO FILL THE VOIDS IN THE PROPOSED ARMORING MATERIAL.
- 4. ADDITIONAL STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE LOCALLY SOURCED AND MATCH THE COMPOSITION OF THE EXISTING NATIVE RIVERBED.
- 5. THE PROPOSED CULVERT AND STREAMBED RESTORATION IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH ALL ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE PROJECT

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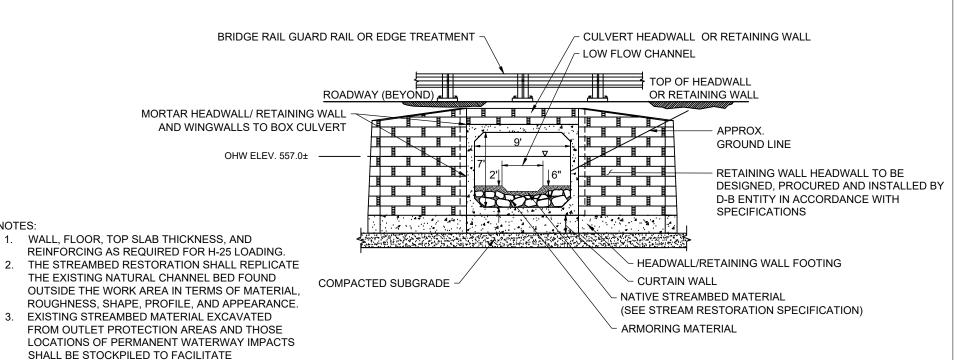
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**CULVERT DETAIL - 1** 



## **CROSS SECTION** NOT TO SCALE

## REINSTALLATION AND REPLICATION OF THE **CULVERT 2** NATURAL STREAMBED. THE EXCAVATED STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE REUSED TO FILL THE VOIDS IN THE PROPOSED ARMORING

4. ADDITIONAL STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE LOCALLY SOURCED AND MATCH THE COMPOSITION OF THE EXISTING NATIVE RIVERBED.

5. THE PROPOSED CULVERT AND STREAMBED RESTORATION IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH ALL ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE PROJECT.

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MATERIAL.

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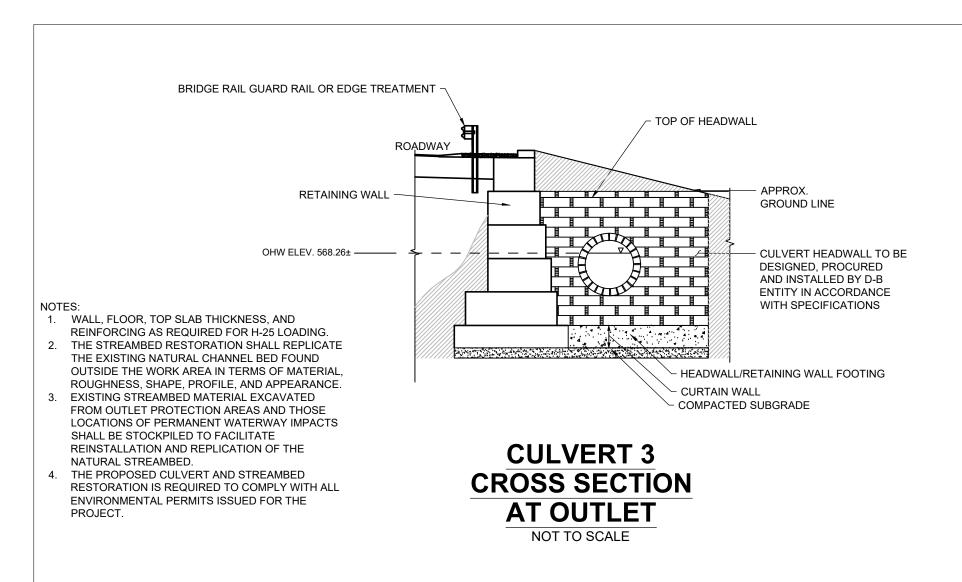
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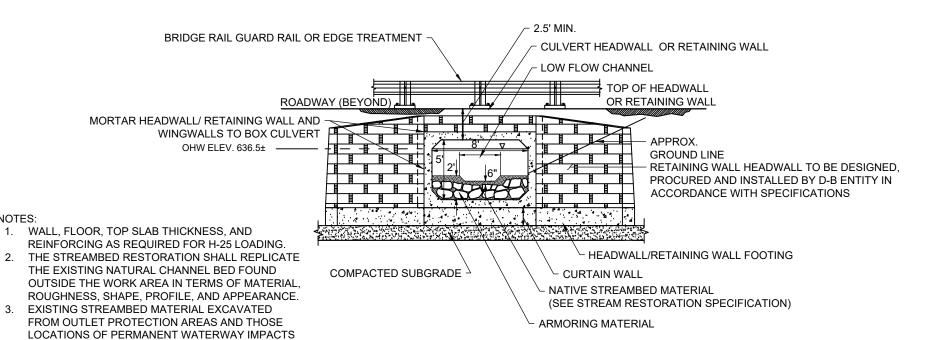
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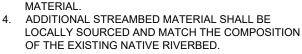
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## **CULVERT 4A CROSS SECTION**

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STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE REUSED TO FILL

SHALL BE STOCKPILED TO FACILITATE REINSTALLATION AND REPLICATION OF THE

NATURAL STREAMBED. THE EXCAVATED

THE VOIDS IN THE PROPOSED ARMORING

5. THE PROPOSED CULVERT AND STREAMBED RESTORATION IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH ALL **ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE** PROJECT.

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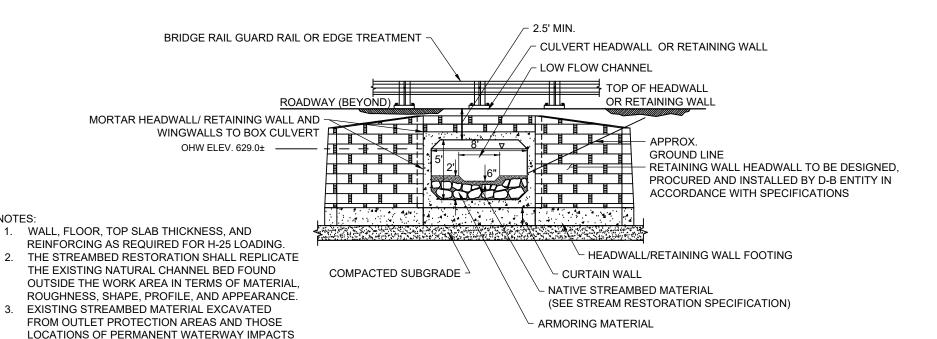
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**CULVERT DETAIL - 4** 



## **CULVERT 4B CROSS SECTION**

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MATERIAL. 4. ADDITIONAL STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE LOCALLY SOURCED AND MATCH THE COMPOSITION OF THE EXISTING NATIVE RIVERBED.

STREAMBED MATERIAL SHALL BE REUSED TO FILL

SHALL BE STOCKPILED TO FACILITATE REINSTALLATION AND REPLICATION OF THE

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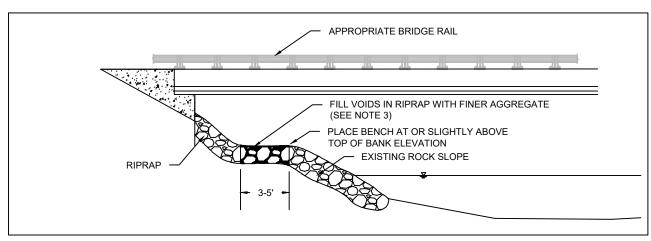
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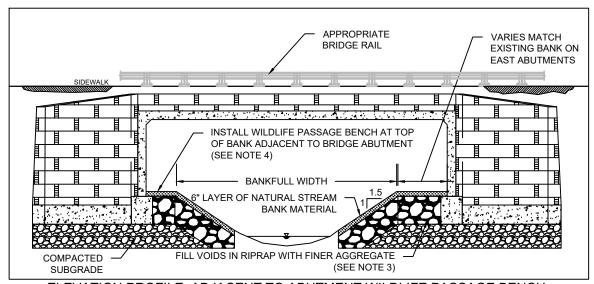
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ELEVATION PROFILE: MID-SLOPE WILDLIFE PASSAGE BENCH



## ELEVATION PROFILE: ADJACENT TO ABUTMENT WILDLIFE PASSAGE BENCH

### NOTES:

- THIS IS A CONCEPTUAL DRAWING INTENDED TO ILLUSTRATE TYPICAL BANK DESIGNS.
- 2. ALL MATERIALS, DIMENSIONS, AND OTHER NOTATIONS SHOWN ON THIS DRAWING ARE FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES. THE D-B ENTITY SHALL DETERMINE ACTUAL MATERIALS, DIMENSIONS, AND OTHER INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE PROJECT LOCATION, CONDITIONS, AND SELECTED STRUCTURE COMPONENTS.
- AGGREGATE USED TO FILL VOIDS IN RIPRAP CAN BE UNIFORM MIX OF GRAVEL, COBBLES, AND SMALL BOULDERS TO CONSTRUCT A WALKABLE SLOPE THAT REPLICATES A NATURAL BANK PROFILE.
- 4. WILDLIFE PASSAGE BENCH CONSTRUCTED OF NATURAL GRAVEL, COBBLE AND BOULDER MATERIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH STREAMBED RESTORATION SPECIFICATIONS. THE BENCH SHALL BE A 6" THICK LAYER OF NATURAL BANK MATERIAL, AND SHALL PROVIDE A WALKABLE SLOPE THAT REPLICATES A NATURAL BANK PROFILE.



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## SCALE IN FEET

## **GENERAL NOTES**

- ALL PLANTING AND GRADING WILL OCCUR UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A QUALIFIED WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST.
- MITIGATION SITE AND TEMPORARY ACCESS ARE SUBJECT TO TURTLE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS. TURTLE EXCLUSION FENCE TO BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION PER THE CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN.
  - EROSION CONTROLS WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT THE PERIMETER OF THE WORK AREA PRIOR TO ANY EARTH WORK, USING APPROVED CONTROL METHODS.
  - ALL SUITABLE TOPSOIL LACKING INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES SHALL BE REMOVED AND STOCKPILED FOR REAPPLICATION ON THE DISTURBED UPLAND SLOPES.
  - PREVENTATIVE MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COLONIZATION BY INVASIVE SPECIES, INCLUDING CLEANING EQUIPMENT TIRES AND TRACKS BY WASHING PRIOR TO ENTRY TO THE WETLAND REPLICATION SITE TO REMOVE UNDESIRABLE SEEDS OR PLANT MATERIALS.
  - SUBGRADES SHALL BE INSPECTED BY THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST PRIOR TO TOPSOILING.
- TOPSOIL SHALL BE APPLIED AS NEEDED TO ACHIEVE A COMPACTED TOPSOIL DEPTH OF 12 INCHES IN THE WETLAND AND 6 INCHES IN THE DISTURBED UPLAND SLOPES. ACQUIRED TOPSOIL SHALL BE NATURAL, FERTILE, FRIABLE SANDY LOAM SOIL WITH A MINIMUM OF 20% ORGANIC MATTER (BY WEIGHT) IN THE WETLAND, AND 3% ORGANIC MATTER ON THE GRADED UPLAND SLOPE. THE TOPSOIL SHALL BE TYPICAL OF PRODUCTIVE SOILS IN THE VICINITY, WITHOUT ROCKS, GRAVEL, TRASH DEBRIS, INVASIVE PLANT SEEDS OR ROOTS, OR OTHER OBJECTIONABLE MATTER. TOPSOIL FOR THE UPLAND SLOPES MAY INCLUDE SALVAGED TOPSOIL FROM THE ORIGINAL SLOPE PROVIDED IT IS FREE OF INVASIVE SPECIES. TOPSOIL SHALL NOT BE DELIVERED OR SPREAD IN A FROZEN OR MUDDY CONDITION.
- TOPSOIL SOURCE AND ANALYTICAL RESULTS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST FOR INSPECTION AND APPROVAL PRIOR TO STOCKPILING NEAR SITE, OR PLACEMENT IN REPLICATION AREAS.
- 9. FINAL GRADES SHALL BE INSPECTED BY THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST PRIOR TO PLANTING AND SEEDING. FINISHED SOIL SURFACES IN THE WETLAND SHALL BE LEFT IRREGULAR TO SIMULATE NATURAL CONDITIONS.
- 10. 4% COVER OF COARSE WOODY DEBRIS FROM NATURAL AND NON-INVASIVE SOURCES TO BE PLACED IN WETLAND AREA.
- 11. EXISTING GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS TO BE REMOVED AND DISPOSED. TWO PIEZOMETER GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS SHALL BE INSTALLED AFTER TOPSOIL PLACEMENT AND BEFORE PLANTING.
- 12. PLANT MATERIALS AND SEED SHALL BE ORDERED IN ADVANCE FROM A REPUTABLE NURSERY IN THE NORTHEAST AND INSPECTED UPON ARRIVAL BY THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST. PLANTS THAT ARE IN POOR HEALTH, UNDERSIZED, OR INFESTED WITH PESTS WILL BE REJECTED AND REPLACED BY THE CONTRACTOR. SUBSTITUTION OF SPECIES OR SIZE MUST BE PRE-APPROVED BY THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST.
- 13. PLANT MATERIAL SCHEDULE PROVIDED, BUT LOCATIONS ARE TO BE ADJUSTED BASED UPON OBSERVED CONDITIONS IN THE FIELD.
- 14. CONTAINER PLANTS SHALL BE INSTALLED BETWEEN APRIL 1- MAY 31, OR AUGUST 15-OCTOBER 1. PLANTING AT OTHER TIMES OF THE YEAR WILL BE AT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NURSERY SUPPLIER AND AT THE CONTRACTOR RISK. IRRIGATION OF PLANT MATERIAL IN THE SUMMER MAY BE NECESSARY AND IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR.
- 15. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR STORAGE AND CARE OF PLANTS AND SEED FROM DELIVERY THROUGHOUT INSTALLATION AND FOR TWO YEARS FOLLOWING PLANTING AND SEEDING. PLANTS THAT DIE DURING THIS PERIOD SHALL BE REPLACED BY THE CONTRACTOR AND POORLY ESTABLISHED AREAS SHALL BE RE-SEEDED.
- THE PLANTING HOLE OF EACH TREE AND SHRUB 17. GENERAL SPACING OF WETLAND PLANTS SHALL BE AS INDICATED IN THE PLANT SCHEDULE. HOWEVER, PLANTS SHALL NOT BE SPACED EVENLY THROUGHOUT THE WETLAND AREA, RATHER PLANTS SHALL BE ARRANGED IN
- RANDOM GROUPINGS OR MASSING AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER AND THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST. SPACING MAY BE ADJUSTED IN THE FIELD AS DIRECTED BY THE WETLAND MITIGATION SPECIALIST. 18. SEEDS SHALL BE BROADCAST AT THE PRESCRIBED RATES IN THE WETLAND AND THE DISTURBED UPLAND SLOPES AFTER COMPLETION OF THE WOODY PLANTINGS AND MULCHED WITH STRAW OR PAPER MULCH AND
- STABILIZED WITH A TACKIFIER 19. COARSE BARK MULCH SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE BASE OF EACH TREE OR SHRUB AFTER PLANTING TO A DEPTH OF 2 INCHES. BARK MULCH SHALL BE PLACED TO AVOID CONTACT WITH THE STEM OF THE TREE OR SHRUB.
- 20. INVASIVE PLANT SITE ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE MITIGATION SITE SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY WITH THE INITIATION OF CONSTRUCTION AND SHALL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE LONG-TERM MONITORING PERIOD FOR THE PROJECT.
- 21. UPON COMPLETION OF THE MITIGATION AND ACHIEVING VEGETATION-STABILIZED GROUND SURFACES, THE CONSTRUCTION EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE REMOVED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE WETLAND MITIGATION

## PLANTING SCHEDULES

		WETLAND PLANTINGS			
SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	WETLAND INDICATOR	SIZE	QUANTITY	PLACEMENT RELATIVE TO MICRO-TOPOGRAPHY
Vaccinium corymbosum	Highbush blueberry	FACW	24" +	80	MID, HIGH
llex verticillata	Winterberry	FACW	36" +	80	LOW, MID
Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis	Elderberry	FACW	36" +	50	MID
Hamamelis virginiana	Witchhazel	FACU	36" +	30	HIGH
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood	FAC	36" +	60	MID, HIGH
Clethra alnifolia	Sweet pepperbush	FAC	24" +	60	HIGH
Lyonia ligustrina	Maleberry	FACW	24" +	80	HIGH
Rhododendron viscosum	Swamp azalea	FACW	36" +	40	MID
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush	OBL	36" +	100	LOWER
Amelanchier canadensis	Serviceberry	FAC	36" +	40	HIGH
Viburnum lentago	Nannyberry	FAC	36" +	50	HIGH
Alnus incana ssp. rugosa	Speckled alder	FACW	36" +	50	MID
Spiraea alba (latifolia)	Meadowsweet	FACW	24" +	80	MID

		UPLAND PLANTINGS		
SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	WETLAND INDICATOR	SIZE	QUANTITY
Pinus rigida	Pitch pine	FACU	48"	10
Sassafras albidum	Sassafras	FACU	48"	10
Carya ovata	Shagbark hickory	FACU	48"	5
Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry	FACU	48"	5
Corylus americana	American hazelnut	FACU	24"	60
Corylus cornuta	Beaked hazelnut	FACU	24"	60
Kalmia latifolia	Mountain laurel	FACU	24"	30
Morella pensylvanica	Bayberry	FAC	24"	30

<b>WETLAND SEED MIX</b> [25 POUNDS/ACRE] 40 POUNDS				
SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME			
Carex vulpinoidea	Fox Sedge			
Carex Iurida	Lurid Sedge			
Carex scoparia	Blunt Broom Sedge			
Poa palustris	Fowl Bluegrass			
Carex lupulina	Hop Sedge			
Scirpus atrovirens	Green Bulrush			
Eleocharis palustris	Creeping Spike Rush			
Carex crinita	Fringed Sedge			
Verbena hastata	Blue Vervain			

Juncus effusus	Soft Rush	
Aster puniceus	Swamp Aster	
Eupatorium maculatum	Spotted Joe Pye Weed	
Glyceria canadensis	Rattlesnake Grass	
Iris versicolor	Blueflag	
Asclepias incarnata	Swamp Milkweed	
Mimulus ringens	Square-stemmed Monkey Flower	

UPLAND SEED MIX [20 POUNDS/ACRE] 10 POUNDS			
SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME		
Elymus virginicus	Virginia Wild Rye		
Festuca rubra	Creeping red Fescue		
Sorghastrum nutans 'NE-54'	Indiangrass 'NE-54'		
Panicum virgatum	Switch Grass 'Shelter/Trailblazer'		
Andropogon gerardii	Big Bluestem		
Schizachyrium scoparium	Little Bluestem 'Camper'		
Panicum clandestinum	Deer Tongue		
Chamaecrista fasciculata	Partridge Pea		
Verbena hastata	Blue Vervain		
Aster laevis	Smooth Aster		
Aster novae-angliae	New England Aster		
Solidago juncea	Early Goldenrod		



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