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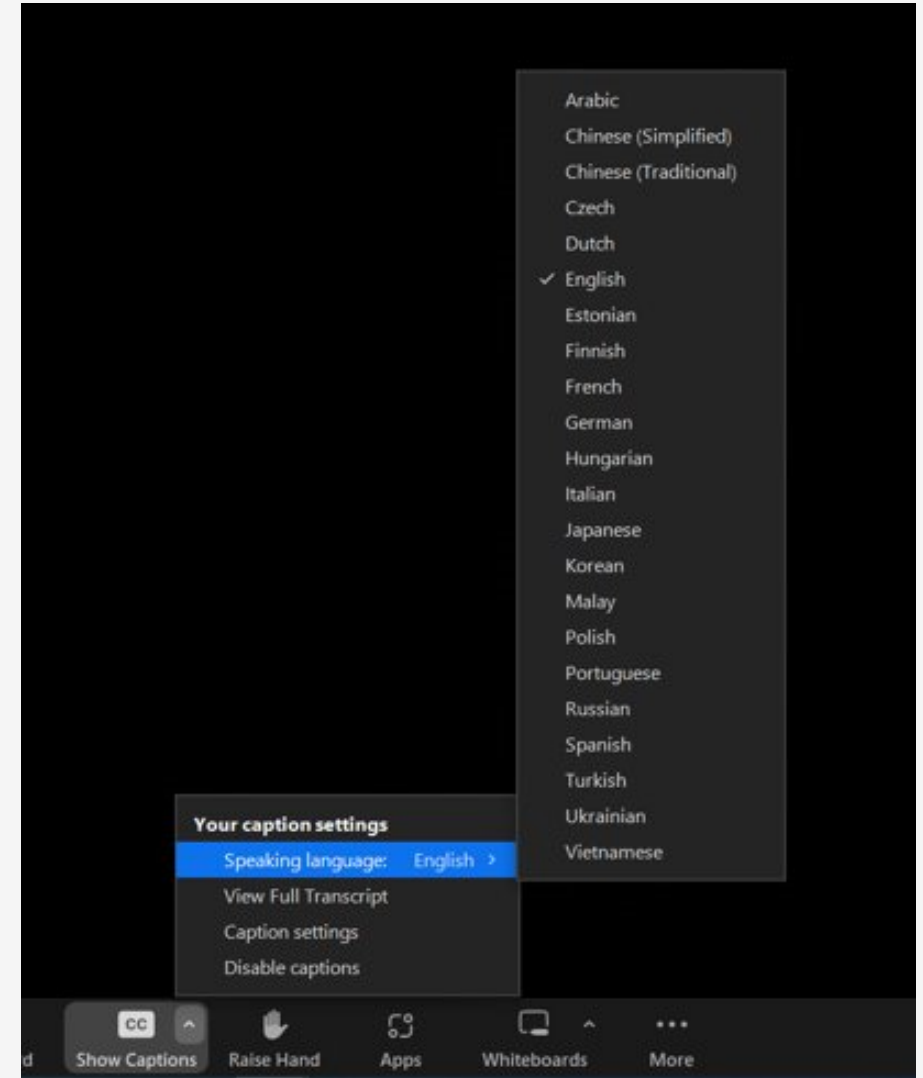
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## Goals for Tonight's Meeting

- Interacting with the Project Team
- Explain Federal Local Bridge “Design Managed by State” DMS Program
- Welcoming Remarks by Town of Clinton
- Introduce the Project Team
- Formal Presentation of Design
  - Explain Existing Conditions & Define Purpose and Need
  - Proposed Recommendations
- Live Question and Answer (Q&A) Session



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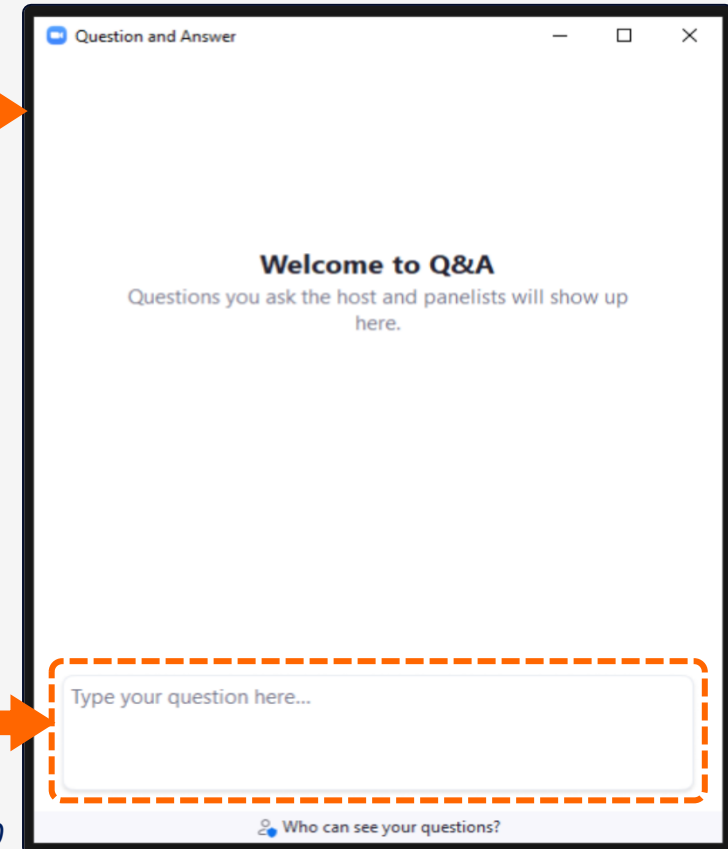
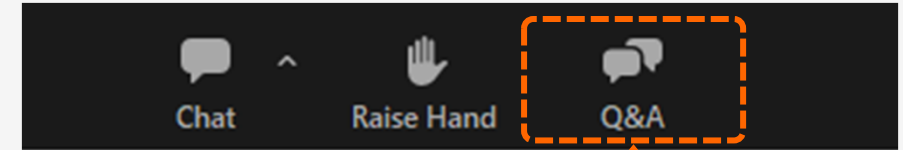
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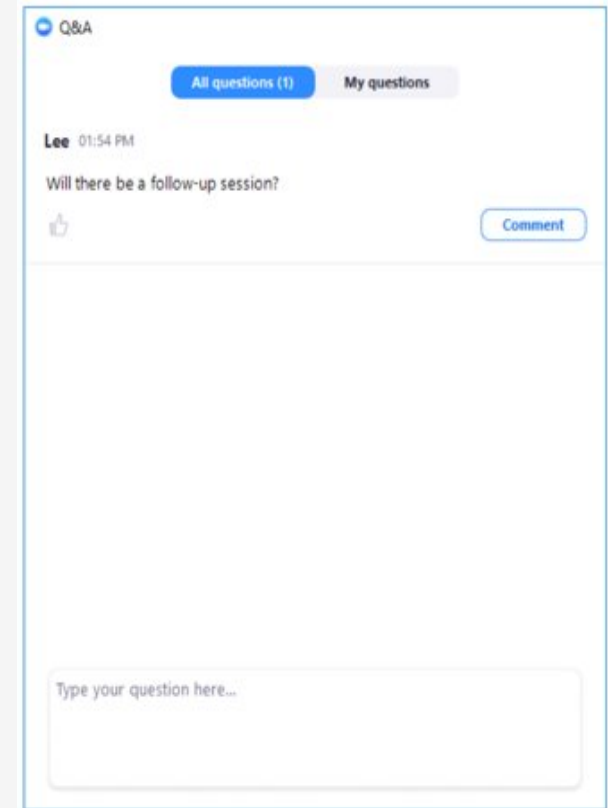
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# Funding for Project

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## Traditional Fed. Local Program:

- 80% Federal and 20% Town for Design, ROW, and CN

## DMS:

- Design, ROW, and CN Phases are funded with 80% Federal and 20% State Funds
- Design is at zero cost to the Towns
- Design is “Full Partnership” and Coordination with the Town

## Goals of DMS

- Provide a “Streamlined approach to Design” using full DOT resources
- Aid the Towns to Keep their bridges in “State of Good Repair” by effective use of funds
- Decrease typical design time
- Utilize Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) techniques to shorten construction duration
- Increase the number of municipal projects delivered to construction each year



# Welcoming Remarks from Town of Clinton

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Director of Public  
Works  
Town of Clinton

# Project Team | CTDOT



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Division Chief  
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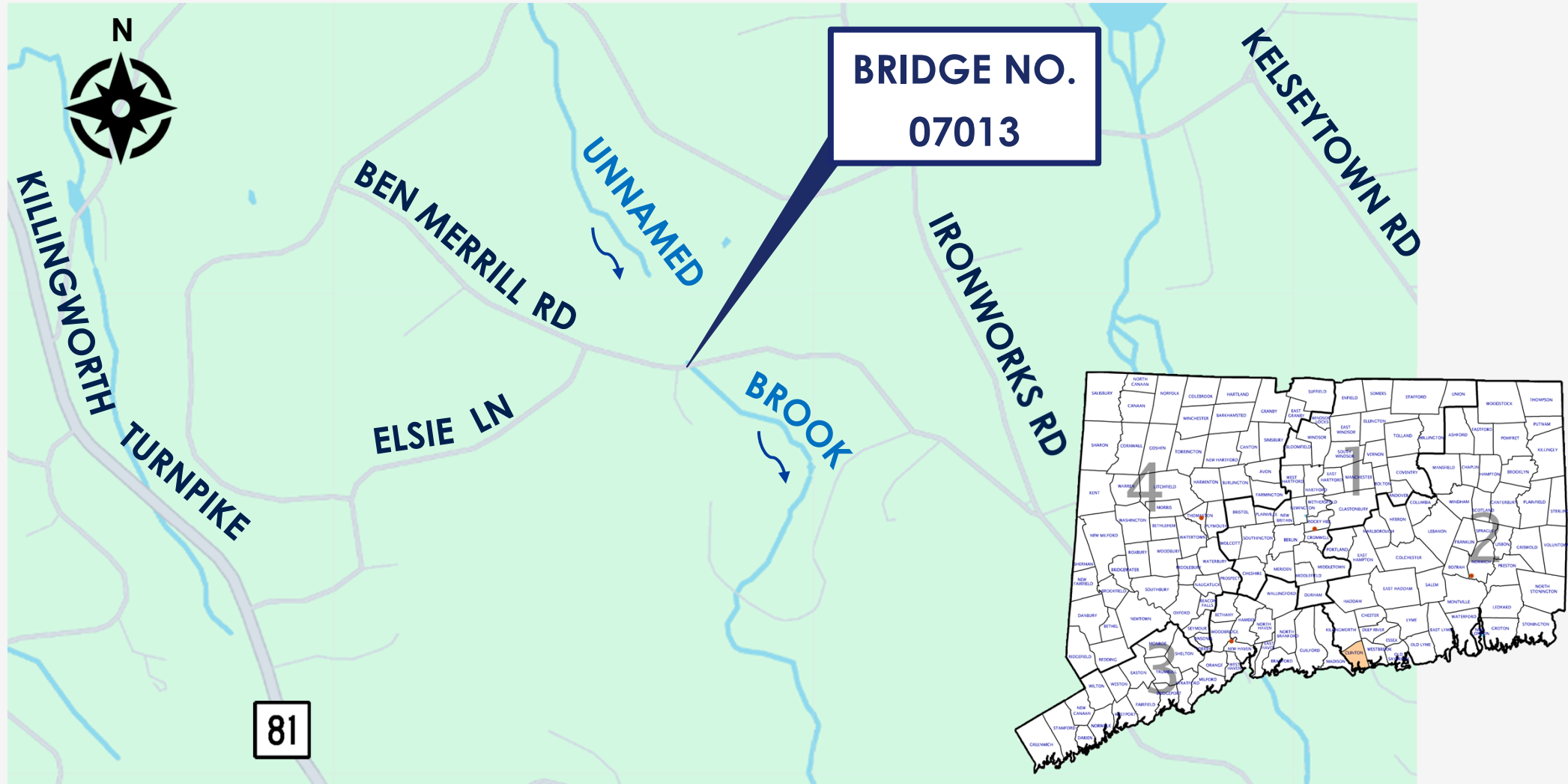
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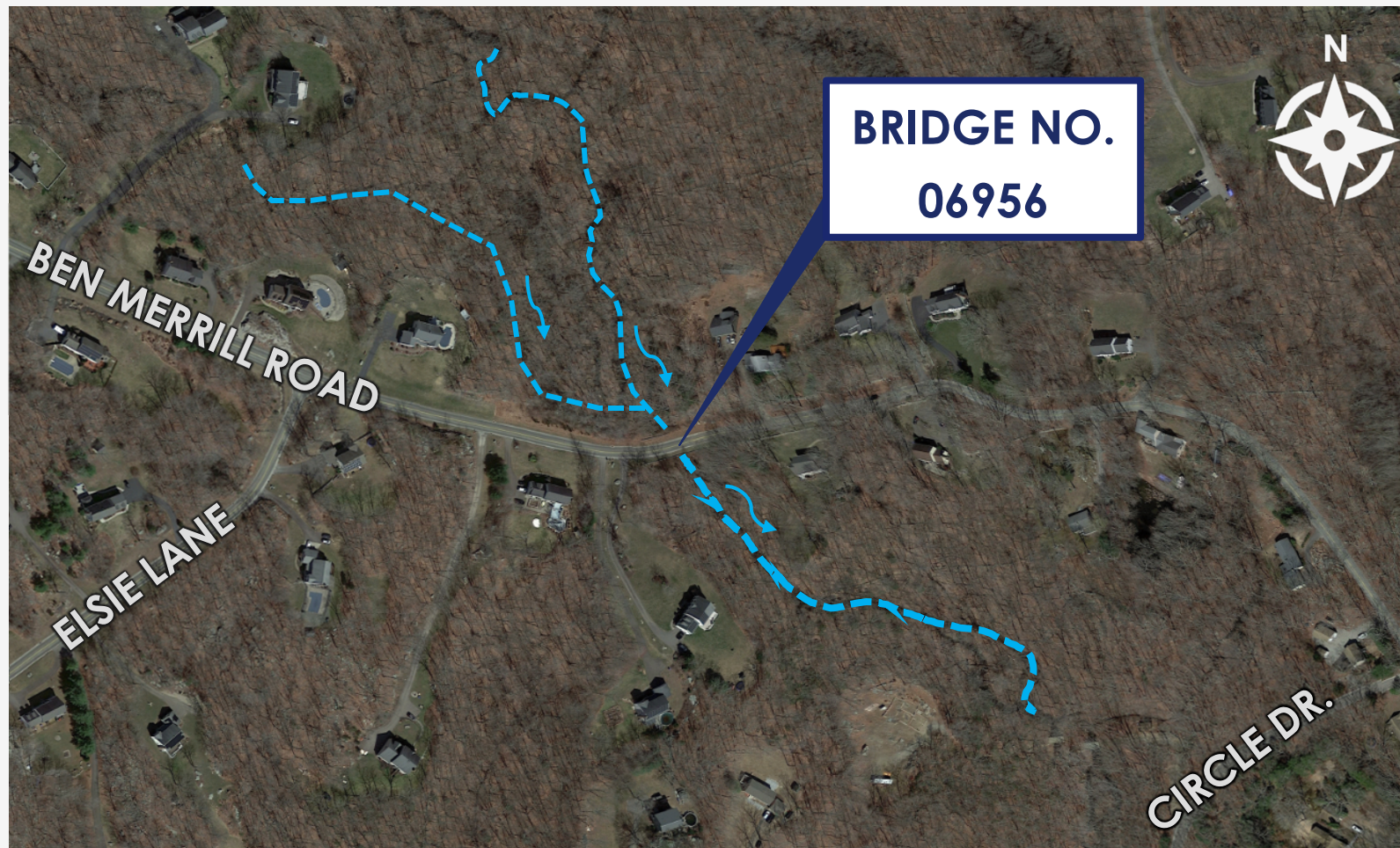


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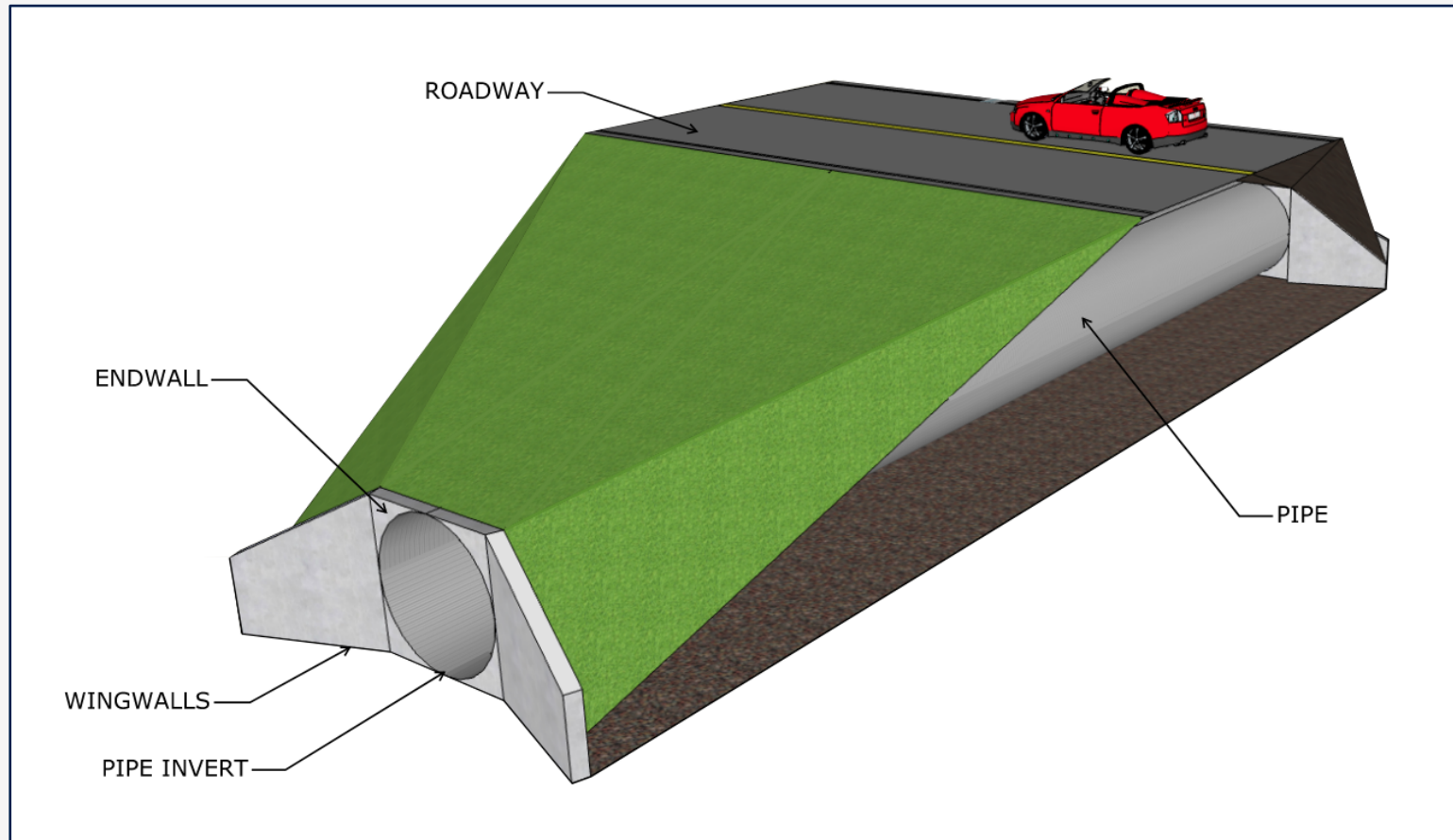




# Aerial Map



# Bridge Components



## Bridge Condition Ratings

Scale: 1 to 9

- 9 – Excellent
- 8 – Very Good
- 7 – Good
- 6 – Satisfactory
- 5 – Fair
- 4 – Poor
- 3 – Serious
- 2 – Critical
- 1 – Imminent Failure



# Existing Structure | Description



- Two (2) 107 LF – Corrugated Steel Pipe Arch Culverts
- One (1) 107 LF – Corrugated Steel Round Pipe
- Constructed in 2000
- ADT = 318 vehicles (Estimated)

**OUTLET ELEVATION**



# Existing Structure | Photographs



**INLET ELEVATION**



**EAST APPROACH**



# Existing Structure | Channel Approaches



**LOOKING UPSTREAM**



**LOOKING DOWNSTREAM**



# Project Purpose & Need

## Address Structural Deficiencies of the Existing Structure

Condition (10/23/2024 Inspection Report)

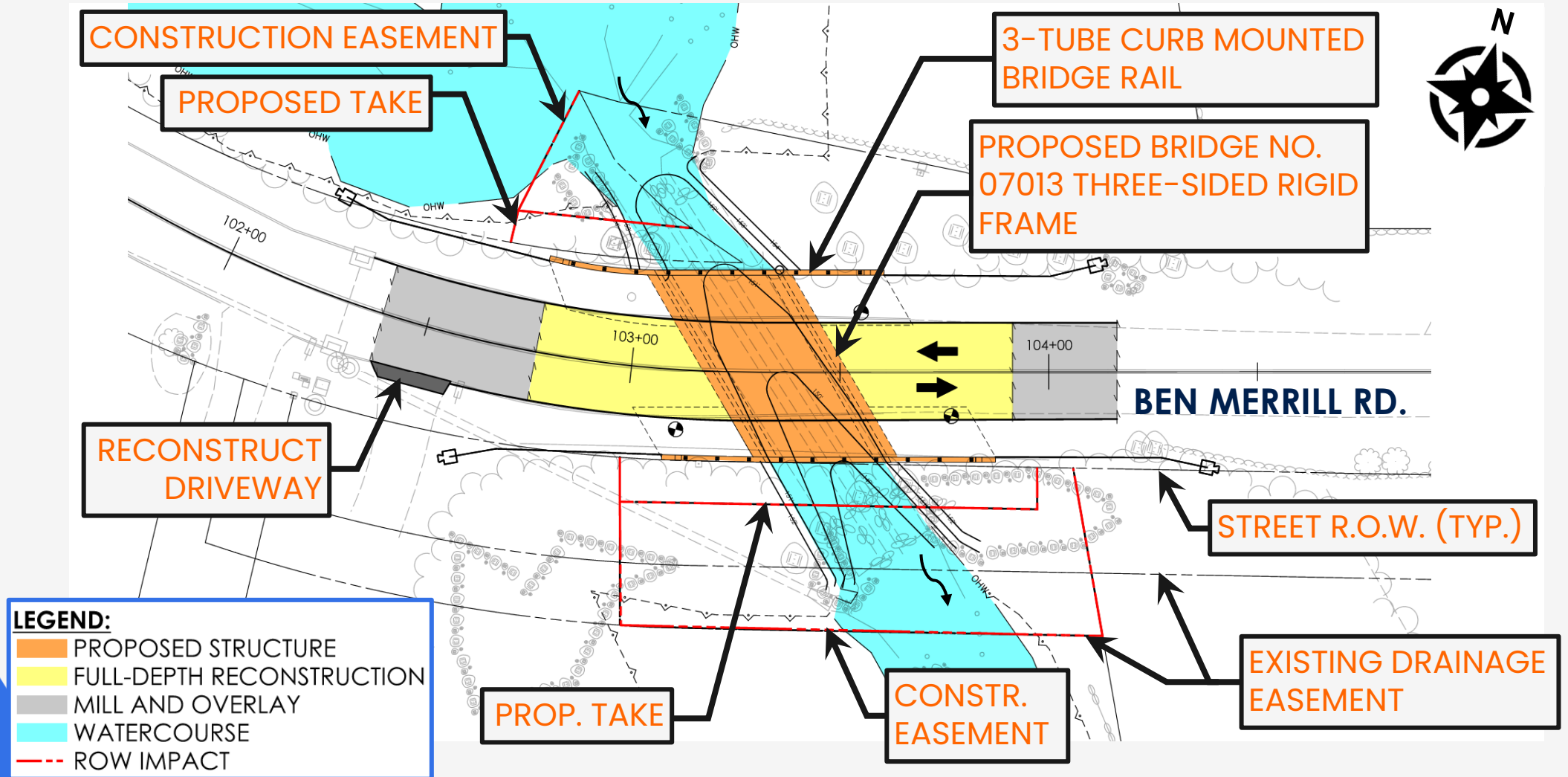
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- Light to Heavy Laminar Rust with Pitting and Thinning
- Scattered Perforations
- Bottom Plates Exhibit Significant Distortion
- Round Steel Pipe Exhibits Inward Dents
- Perched Outlet; Flow Observed Beneath 30" Steel Round Pipe

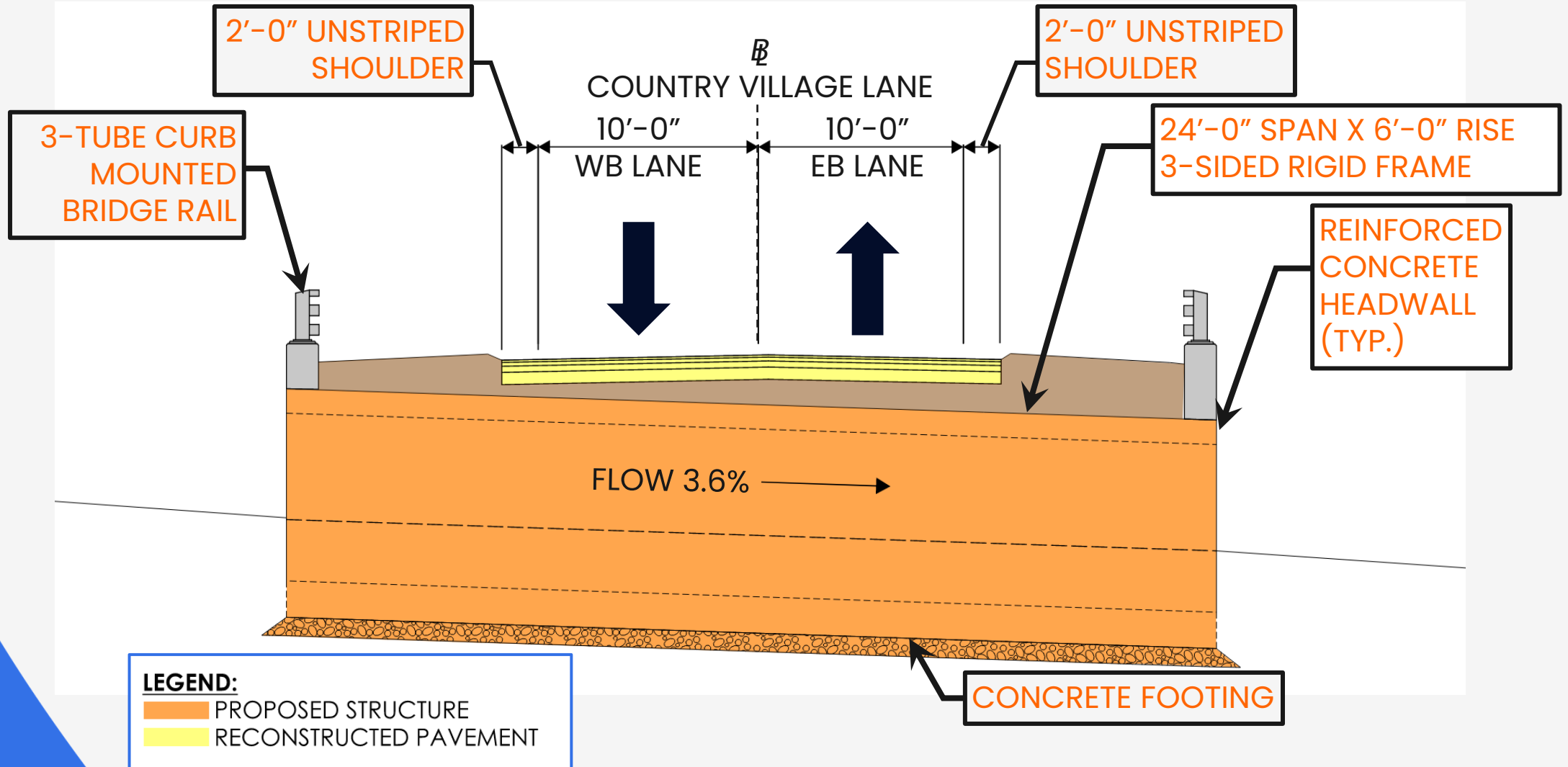




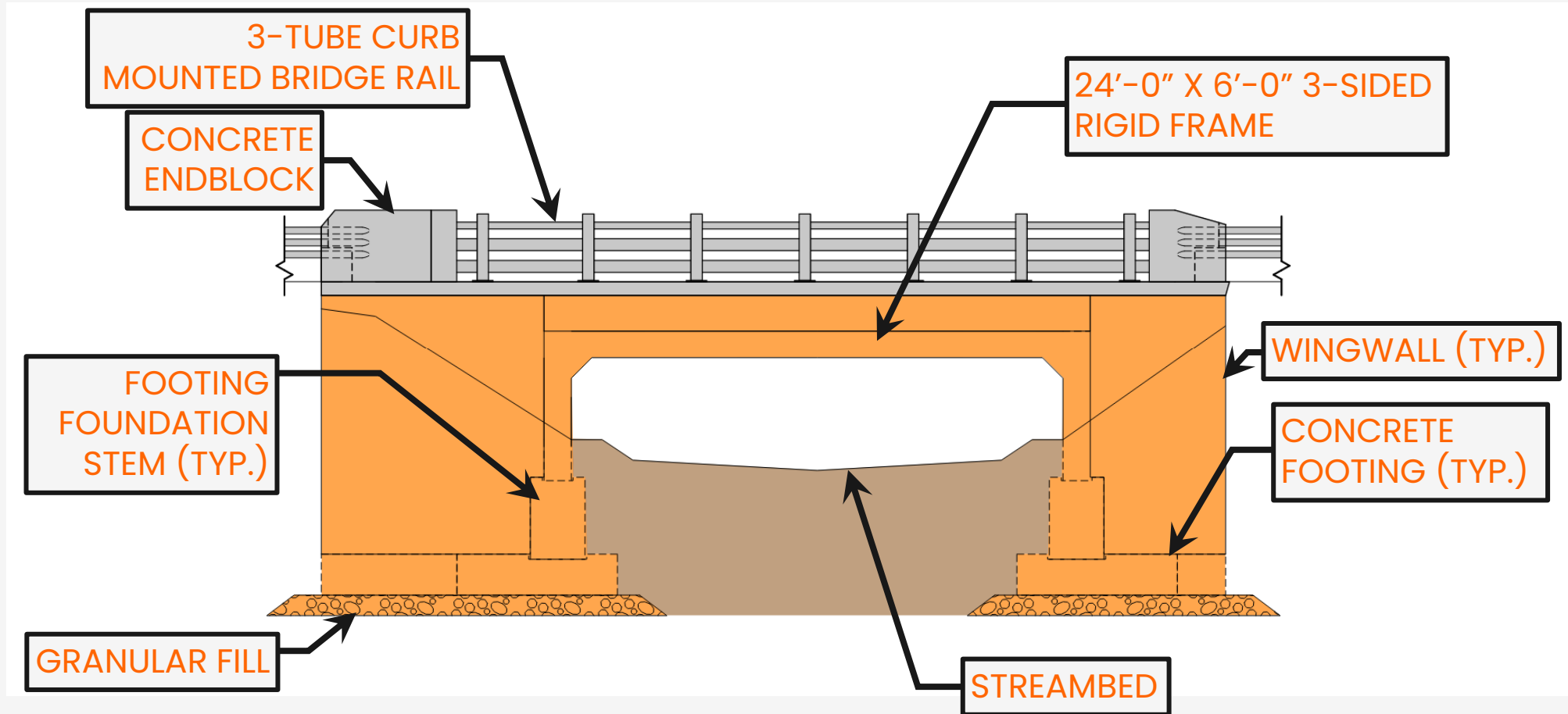
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# Proposed Bridge Replacement | Section View

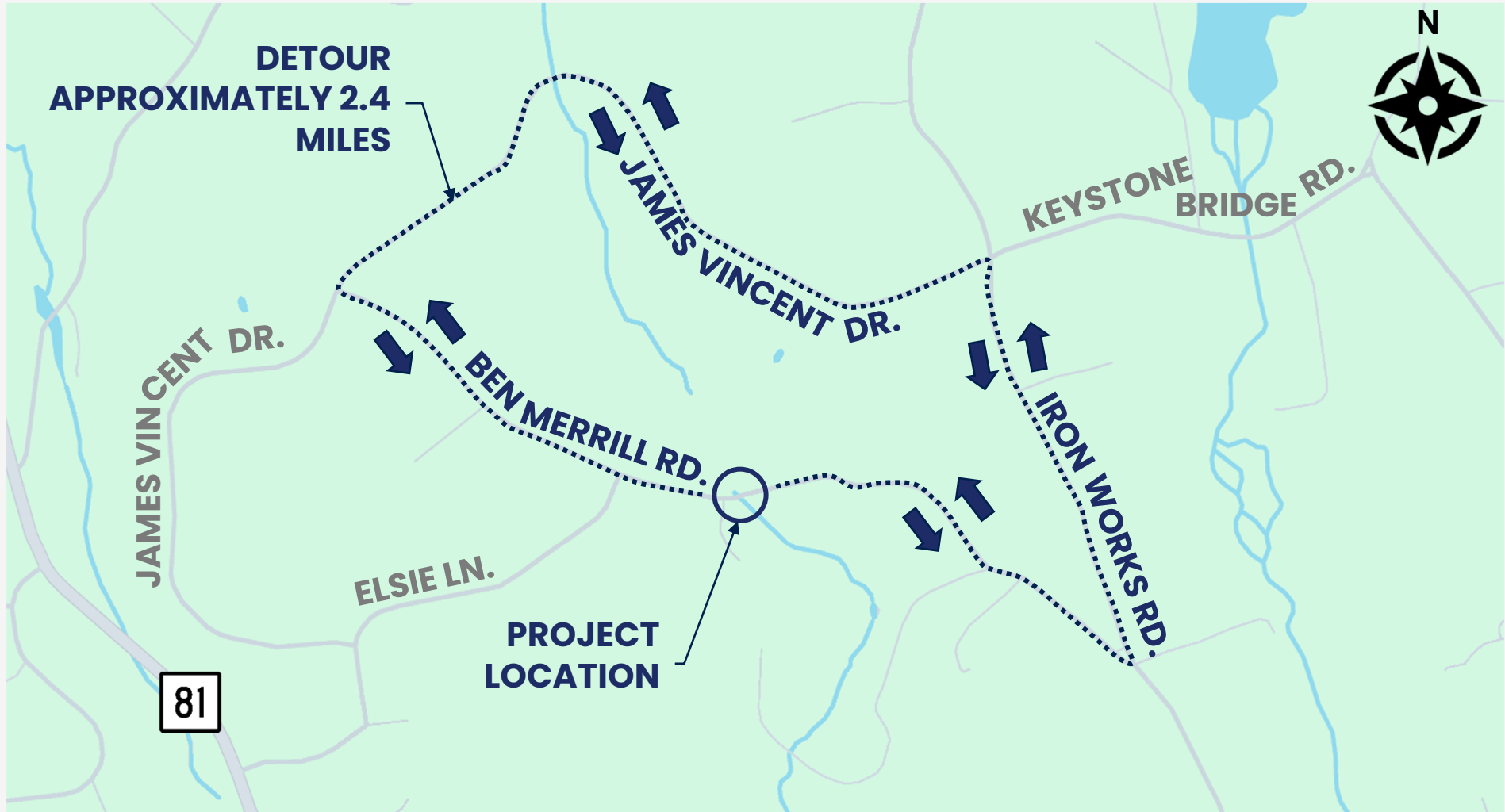


# Proposed Bridge Replacement | Elevation View



**INLET ELEVATION**

# Detour Plan



# Utilities – Permitting – Rights-of-Way

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## Utilities

- No Anticipated Utility Impacts

## Environmental Permits

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers General Permit (Self Verification)
- Town of Clinton Inland Wetland Permit

## Right-of-Way

- Two (2) Partial Property Takes
- Two (2) Construction Easements



# Right-of-Way Relevant Law

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## Function

- Acquire All Property/Property Rights Necessary for the Project.

## Statutory References

- State of Connecticut: C.G.S. Sections 13a-73 & 13a-98e
- Federal: Federal: Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as Amended.

## Impacts to Private Property\*

- Partial Acquisitions
- Easements
- Rights

**\*Impacts Subject to Change as Design Progresses**





# Right-of-Way Acquisition Process

Letter of Intent to Acquire

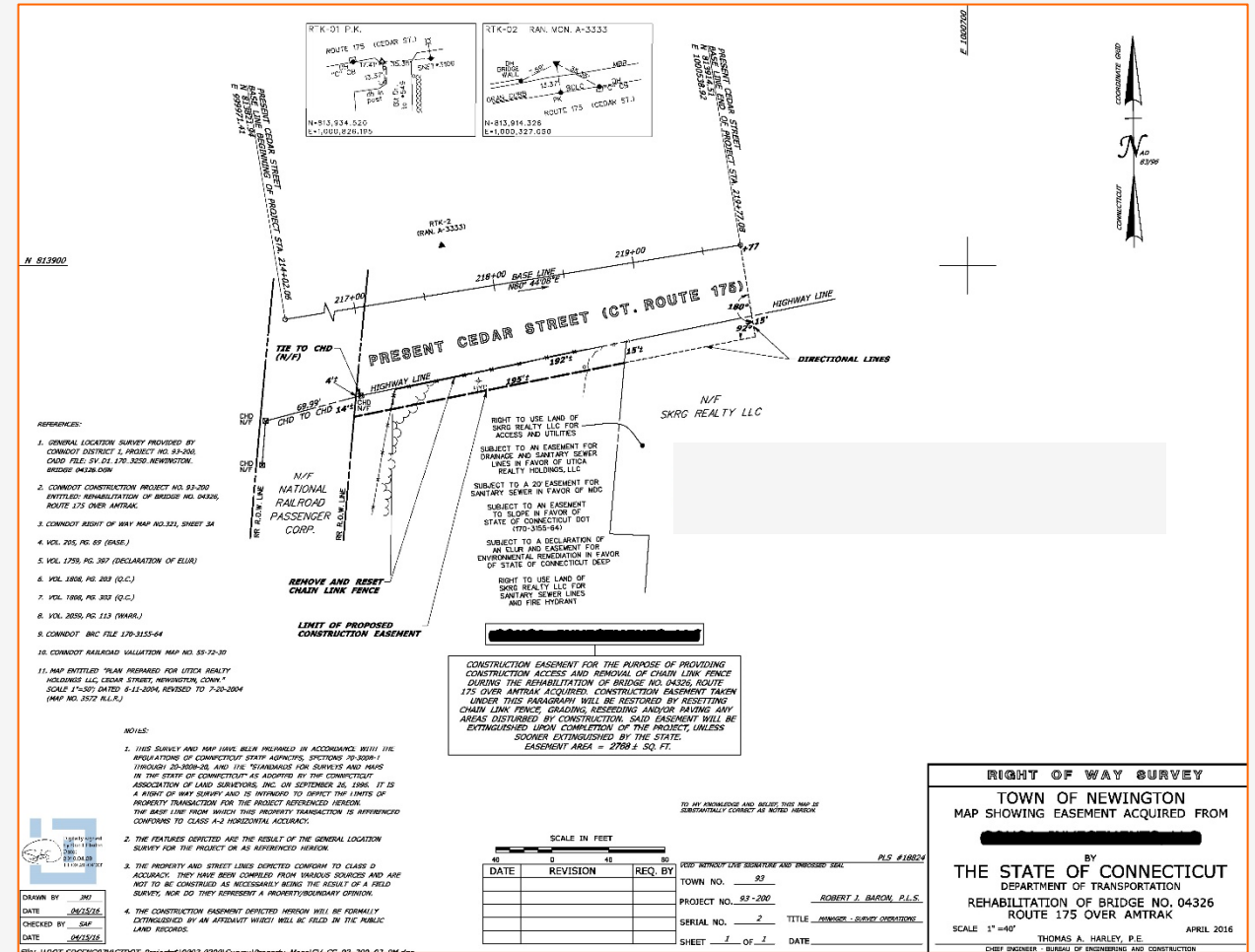
Valuation

Offer of Just Compensation

Negotiation

Acquisition

- Agreement
- Eminent Domain/Condemnation
- 6-month Appeal Period



## Sample Property Map

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# Construction Cost & Schedule

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- Opinion of Probable Construction Cost: \$4,000,000
- Construction is Anticipated to Begin in Spring 2028
- Construction is Anticipated to be Complete in Fall 2028



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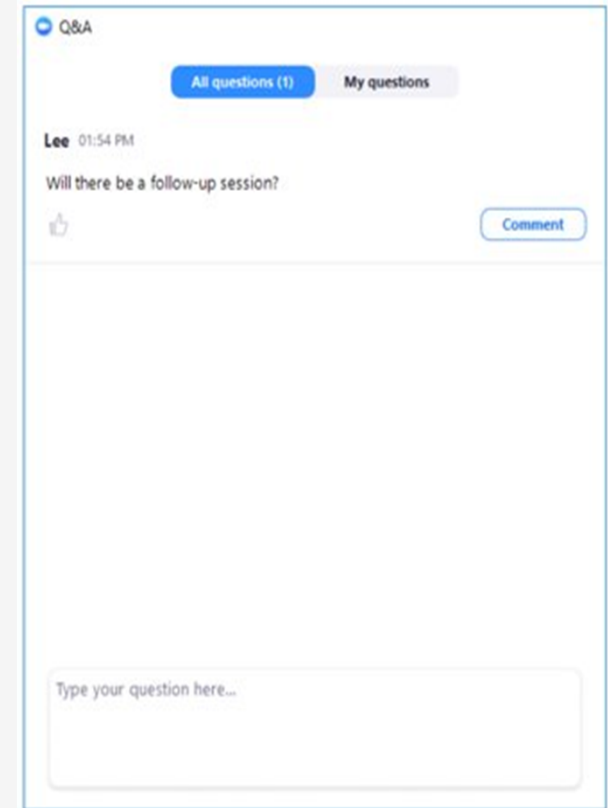
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