

Project Information Package

CTH F, Lowes Creek Bridge

Eau Claire County **Project ID:** 7826-07-00

Project Overview

Eau Claire County, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, is proposing to improve the existing bridge on County Trunk Highway (CTH) F over Lowes Creek in the Town of Washington. This bridge replacement project is located approximately 0.3 mile south of CTH S (see attached project location map).

This information package is intended to provide you with information about the project, so you can provide feedback to the project team in the form of questions, concerns, or comments. Please email your comments to chrism@jt-engineering.com or fill out the attached comment sheet and send it to JT Engineering, Attn: Chris Marcum, JT Engineering, Inc., 16855 County Highway X, Suite 2, Chippewa Falls, WI 54726.

The project team will review and address all responses and utilize this information in the final design of the bridge improvements.

Project Information

The existing steel deck girder bridge carrying CTH F over Lowes Creek (Structure number B-18-0008) is deteriorating with corrosion of the existing girders and spalling and cracking of the concrete bridge deck. Additionally, the existing bridge railing does not meet current standards and the clear structure width (24-feet) is not adequate to provide bicycle accommodations.

Eau Claire County is proposing to construct a three-span concrete haunched slab structure with an overall length of approximately 115-feet and a 36-foot clear roadway width. The added width will accommodate bicyclists, with new bridge railing to improve safety and meet current standards. Improvements to the roadway approaches will be needed to tie the existing roadway into the proposed bridge. Roadway approach work would begin approximately 250-feet southwest of the center of the existing stream and extend approximately 450-feet. This section of roadway will generally match the alignment and grade of the current roadway section with new guardrail added to each corner of the proposed bridge. An overview plan of the bridge and roadway improvements is attached for your reference.

The proposed improvements may impact some wetlands adjacent to the project. A wetland determination and detailed mitigation plan to compensate for any wetland impacts will be completed as needed this summer. No archaeological or historical resources are anticipated to be impacted by the project. The environmental process for the proposed project is anticipated to be completed in the summer of this year.





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Proposed Traffic Impacts

Construction is scheduled to occur during the 2027 construction season. The road will be closed for the construction of this project, with a signed detour route utilizing County Highway II, County Highway B, WIS 37, US 12 and State Street.

Real Estate

Additional right of way will not need to be acquired by Eau Claire County to facilitate the construction of the proposed bridge.



Project Schedule

No additional public involvement is currently scheduled for this project.

DELIVERABLES	DATE
Environmental Document	August 1, 2024
Design Study Report	February 1, 2025
Final Plans	August 1, 2026
Project Construction	Summer 2027

Note: Schedule has the potential to change



Project Comment Form

Project ID: 7826-07-00 CTH F, Lowes Creek Bridge Eau Claire County

Please send this form to the project team by June 3rd, 2024 to the address at the bottom of this sheet. Comments can also be e-mailed to chrism@jt-engineering.com. Your comments assist us in developing a project that will serve the needs of the traveling public as well as the needs of the local community. Your input is welcome and appreciated throughout the design process.

Name:
Address:
Daytime Phone Number (optional):
Email Address (optional):
Please Print Comments (attach additional sheets if necessary)

Send Comments to:

JT Engineering, Inc. Attn: Chris Marcum 16855 County Highway X, Suite 2 Chippewa Falls, WI 54726



County Trunk Highway (CTH) F Bridge Replacement Project

Chris Marcum, PE Consultant Project Manager

Eau Claire County Highway Facility Eau Claire, WI

May 7, 2024

Project Team

- Eau Claire County Highway Department
 - Travis Pickering, PE County Engineer
- JT Engineering Inc.
 - Chris Marcum, PE Consultant Project Manager





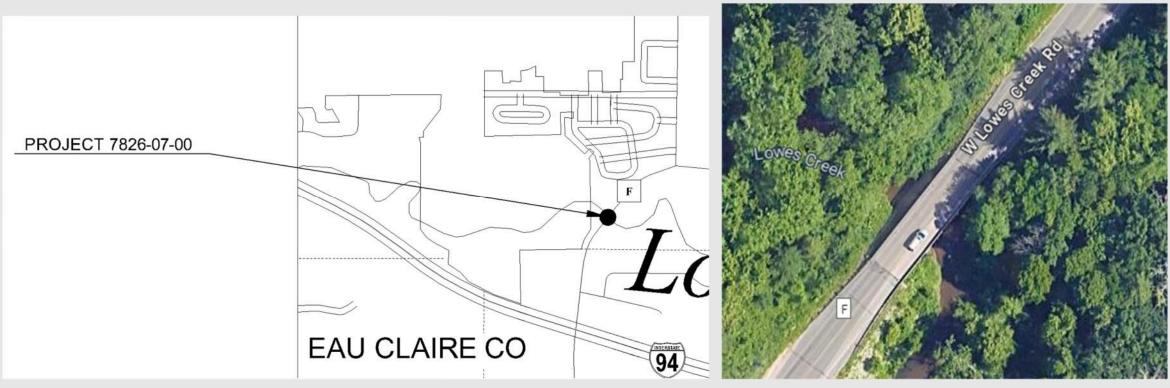
Agenda

- Project Location
- Purpose and Need
- Proposed Improvements
- Real Estate Needs
- Traffic Control Detour
- Schedule
- Project Contacts
- Public Comment





Project Location



Aerial Courtesy Google Maps 4/29/2024





Purpose and Need

- Functionally Obsolete
 - Bridge clear width does not meet current standards.
- Structural Deficiencies
 - Sufficiency Rating of 49.4 (out of 100).
- Safety
 - Existing guardrail does not meet current standards.











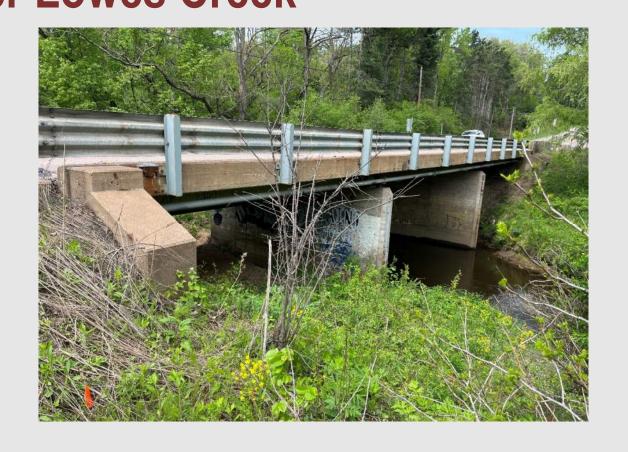






Proposed Improvements Structure over Lowes Creek

- 36-ft Clear Width
 - 24-ft existing clear width.
 - Improved width for bicyclist accommodations.
- 15° Skew of Piers, Abutments
 - Better alignment with Lowes Creek.

















Proposed Improvements CTH F Roadway

- Midwest Guardrail System (MGS)
 - Meets current WisDOT standards
- Side Slopes meeting current WisDOT standards







Real Estate Needs

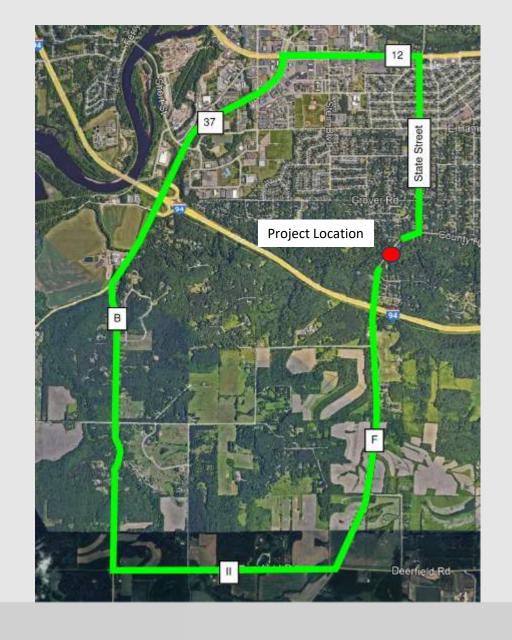
- All project improvements are anticipated to occur within the existing right-of-way.
 - No right-of-way acquisitions anticipated.





Traffic Control - Detour

- CTH F
- CTH II
- CTH B
- WIS 37
- US 12
- State Street (C Eau Claire)
 - Patton St and Lexington Bvld
- CTH F



















Traffic Control - Detour

- Detour is for thru vehicular traffic
 - Local traffic can still utilize CTH F for access to properties, except at the project location
 - Unable to cross Lowes Creek

- Chippewa Valley Bicycle Route 17 will not have detoured route
 - Temporarily closed in area of project during construction.





Schedule

- Public Involvement Meeting May 7, 2024
- Public Comment Solicitation Period May to June 2024
- Final Environmental Document (CEC) August 1, 2024
- Final Roadway Plans April 1, 2026
- Plans, Specifications, and Estimate August 1, 2026
- Project Letting for Contractors December 8, 2026
- Construction 2027





Project Contacts

- Eau Claire County Highway Department
 - Travis Pickering, PE County Engineer
 - travis.pickering@eauclairecounty.gov, (715) 839-2952
- Consultant Project Manager
 - Chris Marcum, PE JT Engineering Inc.
 - chrism@jt-engineering.com, (715) 563-1951





Public Comment

- Provide comments by June 3, 2024
 - Via email:

chrism@jt-engineering.com

Via written comment form,

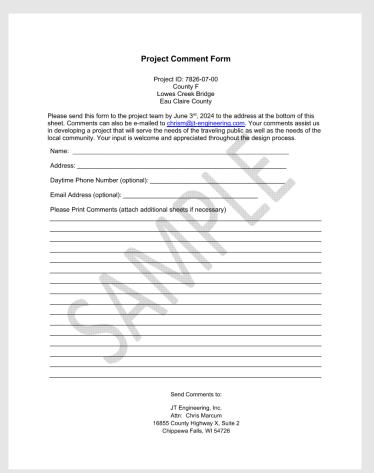
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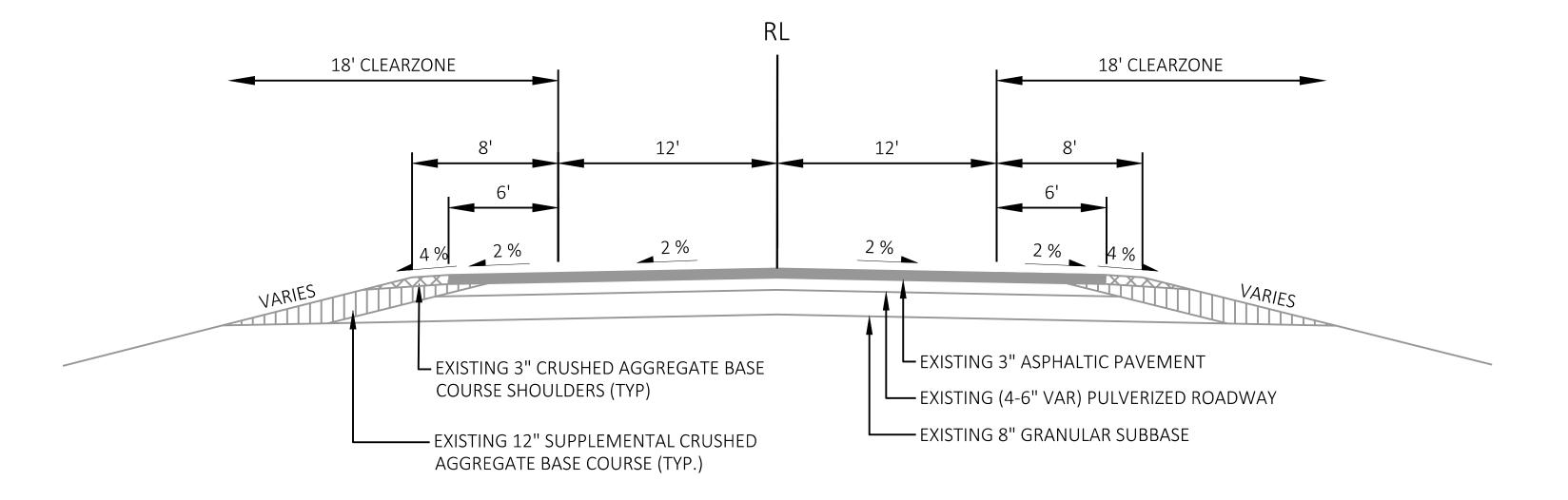






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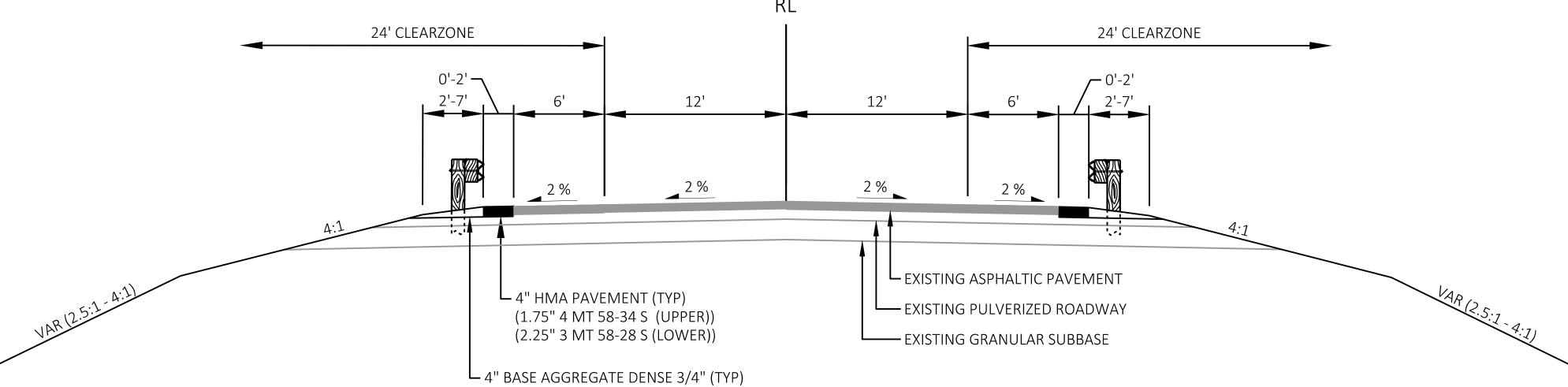
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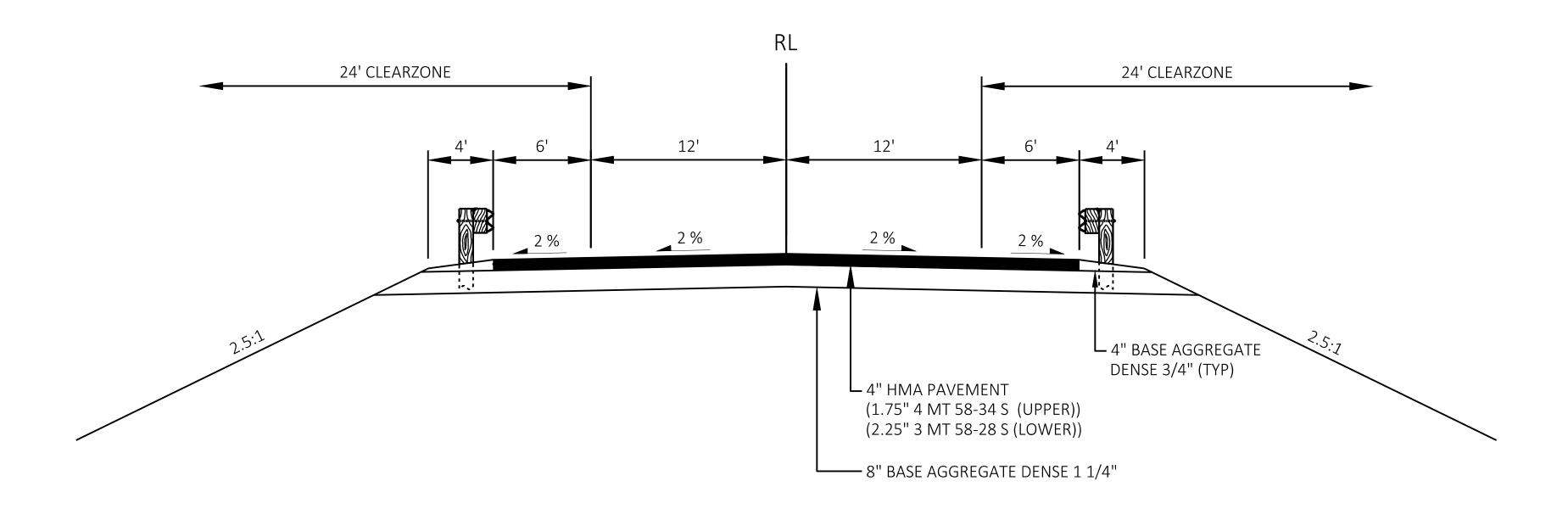
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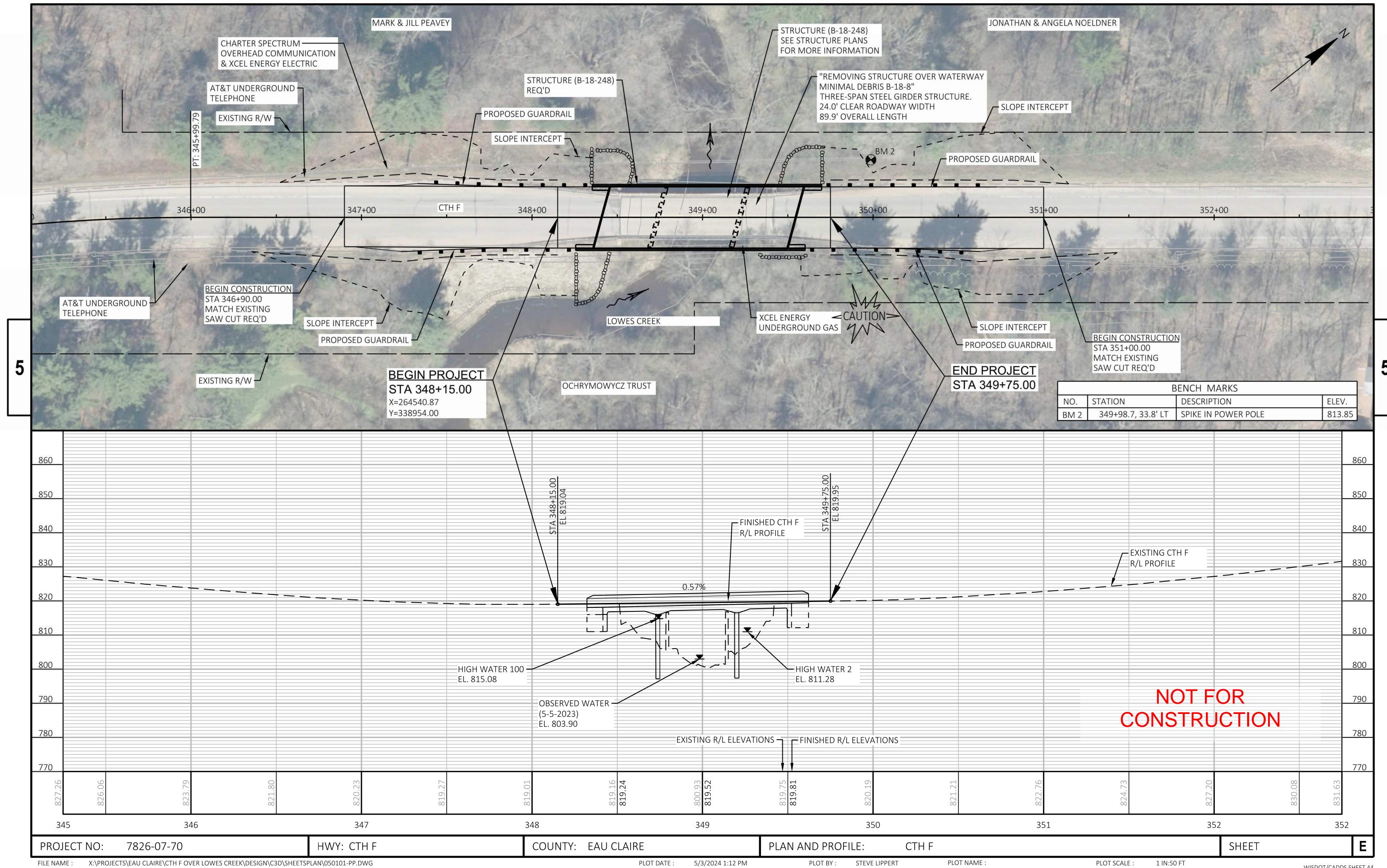
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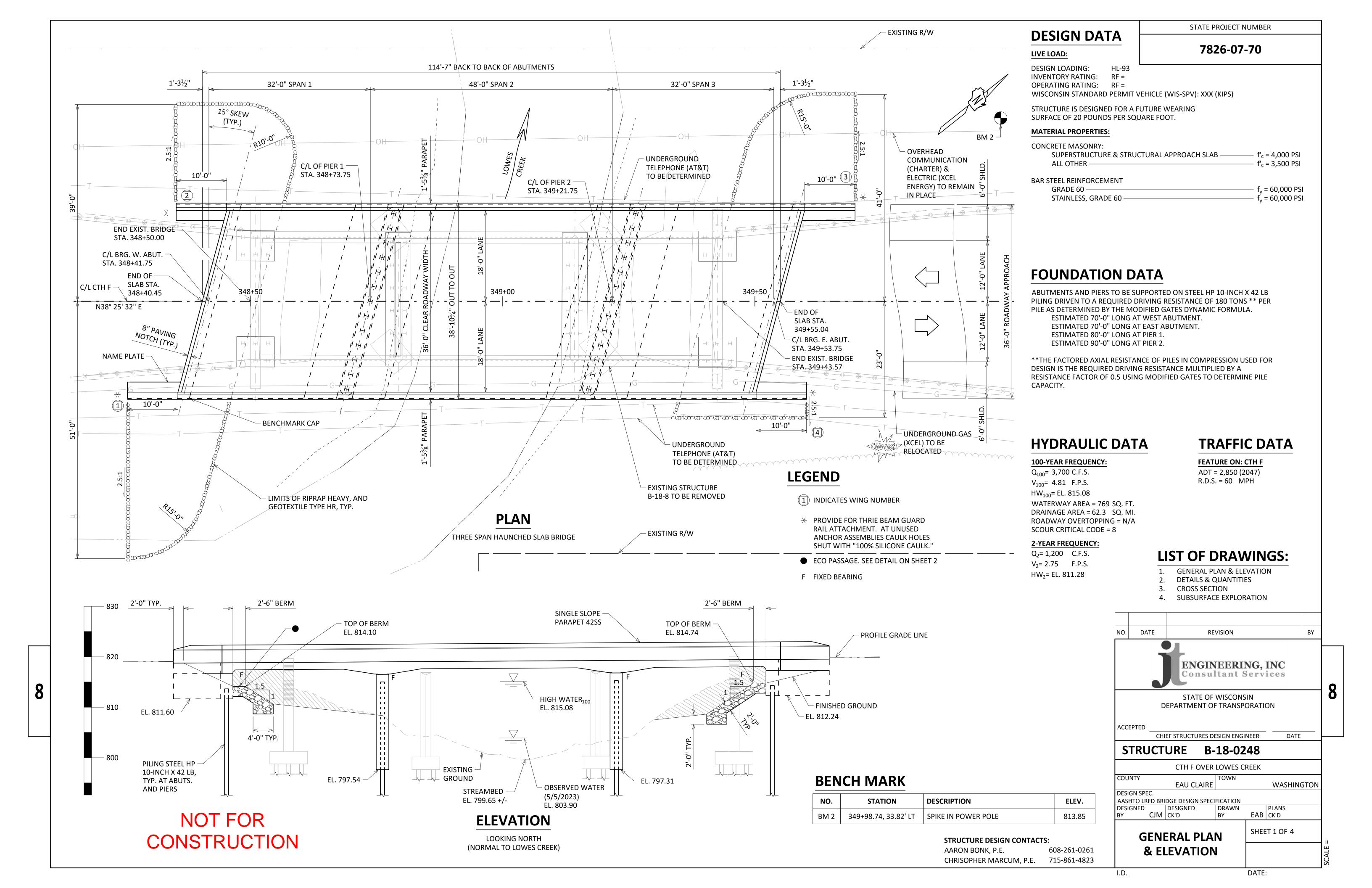
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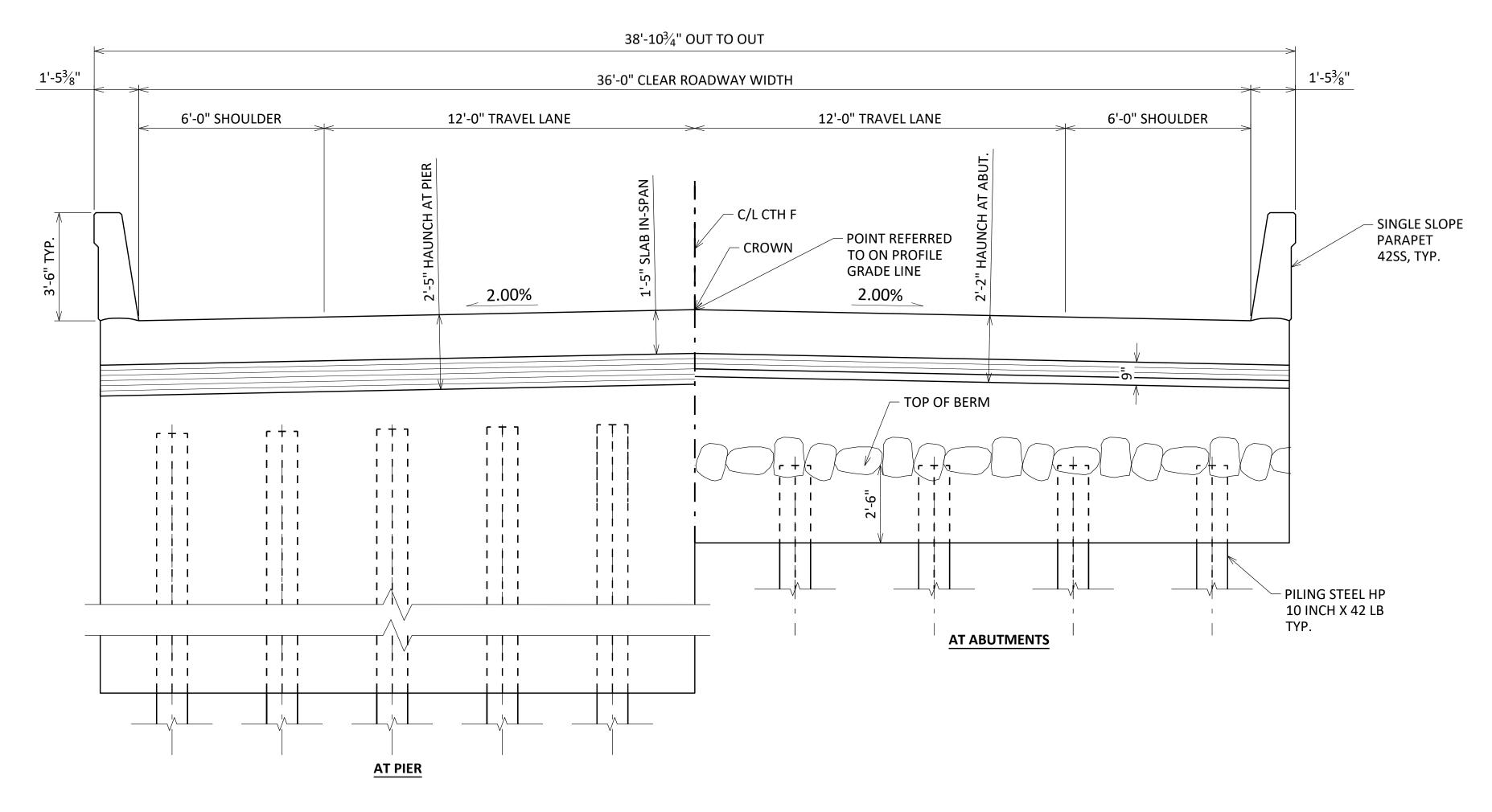




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