APPENDIX 18: Overhead and Underground Municipal Highway Crossings

As set forth in Section 301.08 (c)(5) of the Application, the proposed route for the Applicant's Seacoast Reliability Project (Project) includes the overhead/aerial crossing of certain local municipal public highways, and the installation of underground line facilities within certain of those municipal highways. Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource ("PSNH"), is requesting that the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) approve PSNH's proposed route to include the installation of the Project, with related conduit, cable, wires, poles, structures and devices across, over, under and along certain locally maintained public highways within the Towns of Durham and Newington and the City of Portsmouth as detailed in this document. As demonstrated by the pre-filed testimony of David Plante, James Jiottis, and Lynn Farrington, the construction and operation of the Project will not interfere with the safe, free and convenient use for public travel of the highway. See RSA 231:168.

The N.H. Department of Transportation adopted a *Utility Accommodation Manual* (Hereinafter UAM), dated February 24, 2010 to guide its process for accommodating and licensing utilities within highway corridors. For purposes of this application and to ensure consistency, the NHDOT Utility Accommodation Manual (UAM) is followed for crossings of municipally maintained highways since it sets forth substantive and restrictive design criteria and requirements.

AERIAL ROAD CROSSINGS

Construction of the PSNH Project requires 11 aerial crossings of municipally maintained highways. These crossing are located in the communities of Durham, Newington and Portsmouth. This Appendix provides the required information as set forth in the UAM Appendix G, Detail G2; Pole Licensing Procedures Step-by-Step. Part A of this Appendix to the Application contains a list of the aerial crossings of municipal highways. Appendix 5 to the SEC Application, contains a plan set titled F107 Line and Structure Locations, showing all of the aerial crossings. Additionally a traffic control plan consistent with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is included in Appendix 18, Part C as required in UAM Section V and Section XV, A, d, 1 to ensure all work performed will be conducted in manner to protect the public.

At all of the aerial crossing locations, distribution and/or transmission lines already exist. PSNH proposes to relocate or in some locations, remove the existing distribution line within the existing corridor in order to accommodate the Project. The proposed relocation of the existing line, as well as the installation of the new transmission line will exceed the minimum clearance standards set forth in the UAM.

UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS IN MUNICIPALLY MAINTAINED PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

¹ If PSNH's Project did not fall under SEC jurisdiction, the licensing of the use and occupancy of the municipal public highways for the Project would fall under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen or City Council under RSA 231:160 and 231:161.

In addition to the aerial crossings, Public Service Company of New Hampshire proposes sections of underground installation situated within the right of way of municipally maintained highways in the towns of Durham and Newington. In the town of Durham an underground segment will be used to cross under Main Street (Route 155A). Construction of this crossing will utilize pipe jacking (tunneling) technique to cross the highway approximately 22 feet beneath the surface and will not disturb the pavement or traffic flow of Main Street. In the town of Newington, underground segments will be placed beneath the pavement of two highways: Gundalow Landing Circle and Little Bay Road. Construction of these segments will utilize trenching to install the conduit duct banks beneath the paved surfaces. Corresponding design plans for the underground installations are provided in Appendix 18, Part B.

The NHDOT Utility Accommodation Manual requires maintaining a minimum depth of 18" below the pavement subgrade for highway installations. PSNH proposes a minimum of 36" of cover above the duct banks. At these depths the underground sections will exceed NHDOT minimum standards for underground installations thereby avoiding future impacts on highway maintenance activities or improvements.

Additionally, a traffic control plan consistent with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is included in Appendix 18, Part C as required in UAM Section V and Section XV, A, d, 1 to ensure all work performed will be conducted in manner to protect the public.

Furthermore, in accordance with the UAM, photographs or videos in sufficient detail to show the existing condition of the area to be disturbed within the ROW shall be furnished to the Municipality prior to the start of work.

During the hours the job is inactive, a standby crew shall be available in case they are needed for the protection and maintenance of traffic. One or more telephone numbers, which will reach the standby crew, shall be furnished to the following people: local police chief and the local superintendent of public works or road agent.

In areas where the pavement is to be excavated, it shall be neatly and uniformly cut, with square edges by machine, at each side of all trenches. Every precaution shall be used to prevent undermining of the remaining pavement, utilizing sheeting as required, to prevent cave-in. Undermined areas inadvertently developed shall have the projecting pavement cut square and removed. Excavation and handling of material shall be performed in a manner that will minimize trench width and the possibility of cave-ins. The pavement and base course materials are to be discarded. All backfill material below the base courses will be thermally approved sand or concrete to dissipate heat from the underground cables. All backfill material in trenches and below base courses shall consist of excavated material suitable for backfill as defined in NHDOT Standard Specifications, Section 603. All backfill shall be compacted at or near optimum moisture content, in layers not exceeding six (6) inches compacted thickness, using pneumatic tampers, vibratory compactors, or other approved means. The material shall be compacted to not less than ninety five (95) percent of maximum density as determined by AASHTO T99 (Standard Proctor Test). Water shall be uniformly applied during compaction in the amount necessary for proper compaction.

Within paved areas, crushed gravel, NHDOT Standard Specifications Section 304, or approved equal to the existing gravel course, shall be placed in layers not exceeding six (6) inches compacted thickness, and thoroughly compacted. An approved bituminous plant mix, NHDOT Standard Specifications section 401, shall be placed the same day and carefully graded and rolled to the adjacent pavement grade, as a temporary patch. Just before completion of the project and after suitable exposure of temporary patches to traffic compaction, the pavement shall be sawn, as directed, on either side of the trench to provide a two (2) foot minimum overlap of the final patch on undisturbed material. Within the sawn limits, the existing pavement and temporary patch material shall be removed, the sawn edges tack coated, and the material replaced with an equal depth, but not less than four (4) inches, of hot bituminous concrete, placed as directed, and compacted to meet the existing pavement edge exactly. Shoulders, other than paved, disturbed during the construction, shall be restored by providing a similar depth of crushed bank run gravel which shall be graded and compacted on a slope to match the cross slope of the existing highway shoulder.

In other areas, the surface shall be restored, by placing similar material to a depth and quality equal to that existing before excavation. Reestablish existing grassland to equal what existed before excavation. Reestablish lawns to pre-construction condition, using a minimum of four (4) inches of loam, lime, fertilizer, similar seed, and mulch. The surface shall be reasonable smooth, free of stones larger than two (2) inches of debris, and be graded to drain.

Upon completion of the project a complete set of "as-built" drawings will be provided to the Municipality.

APPENDIX 18

PART A - Aerial Crossings of Municipally Maintained Highways

Highway	Town	Structure Numbers	Height Above Highway (Ft)	Classification of Highway
Mill Road	Durham	33-34	20.3*	V
Timber Brook Lane	Durham	63-64	33.8*	VI
Cutts Road	Durham	67-68	21.2*	V
Ffrost Drive	Durham	68-69	18.3*	V
Sandy Brook Drive	Durham	70-71	25.6*	V
Sandy Brook Drive	Durham	73-74	25.9*	V
Longmarsh Road	Durham	89-90	29*	V
Durham Point Road	Durham	95-96	45.3**	V
Nimble Hill Road	Newington	111-112	43.6**	V
Fox Point Road	Newington	114-115	41.02**	V
Gosling Road	Portsmouth	147-148	39.4**	V

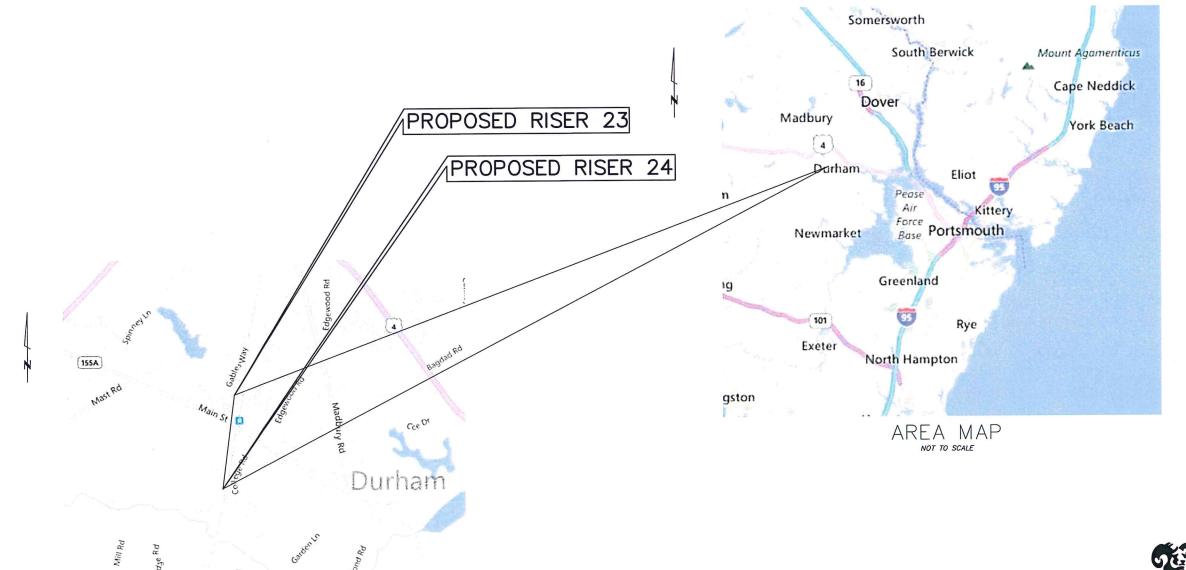
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APPENDIX 18

Part B – Underground Crossings of Municipally Maintained Highways

PUBLIC SERVICE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE F-107 UNH, DURHAM 115 kV UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION LINE



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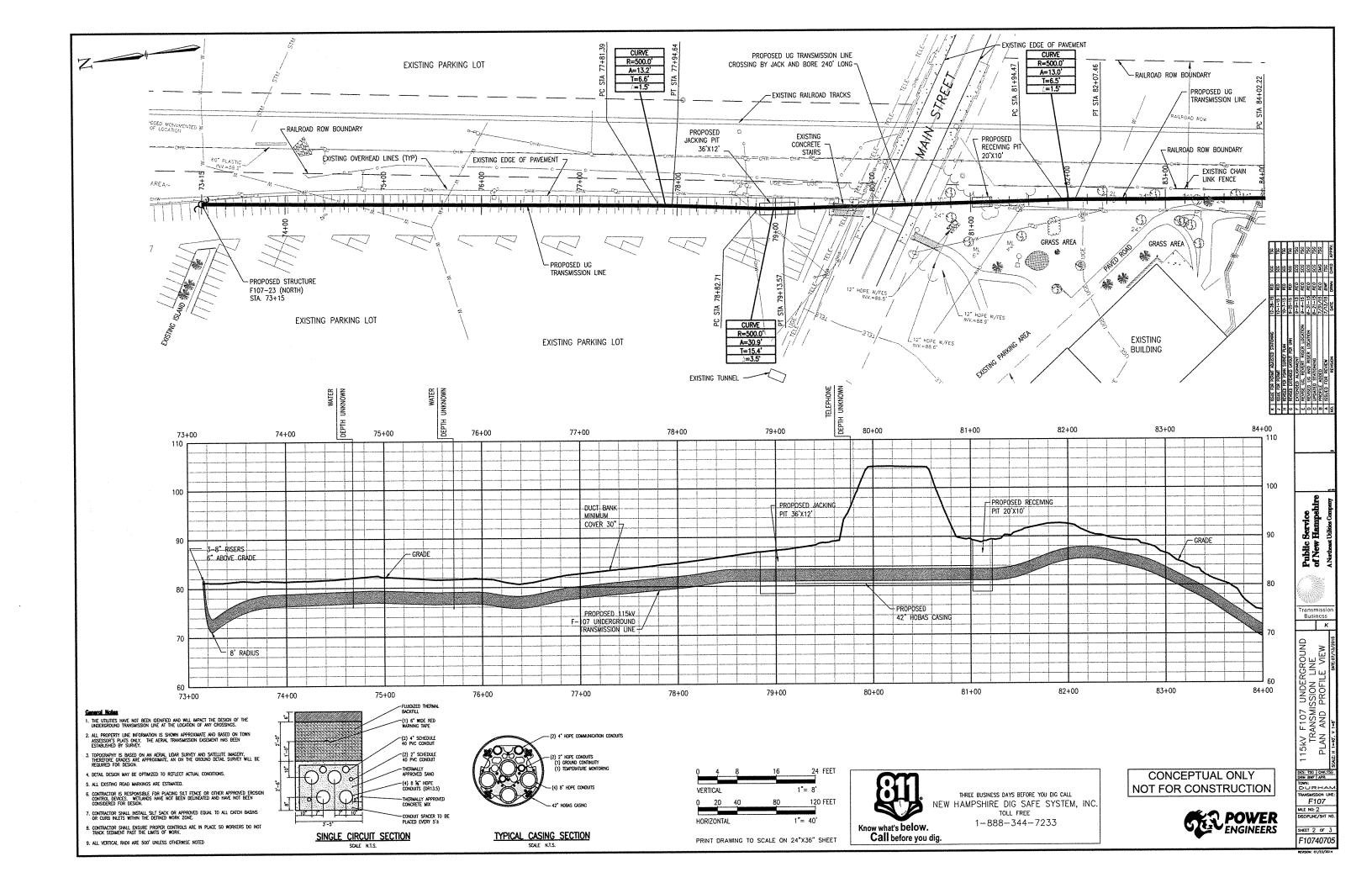
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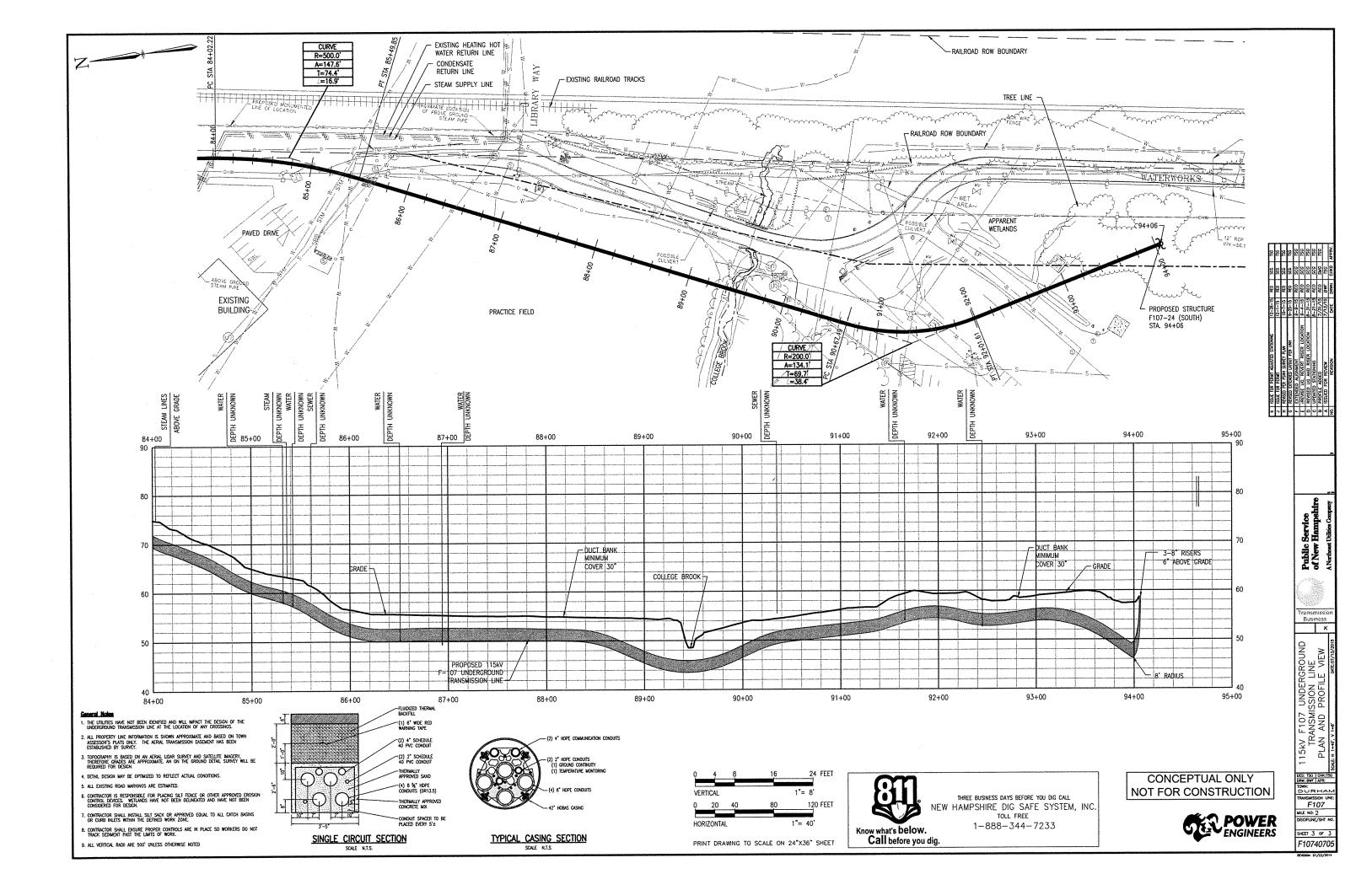
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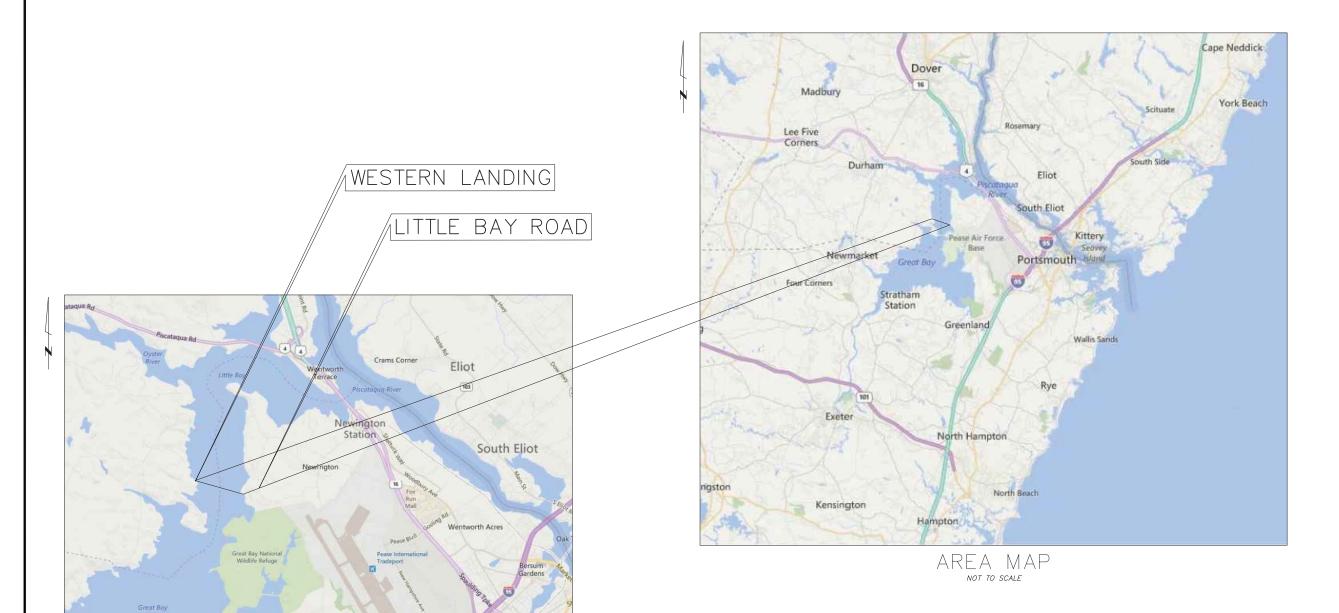
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Portsmouth

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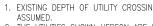
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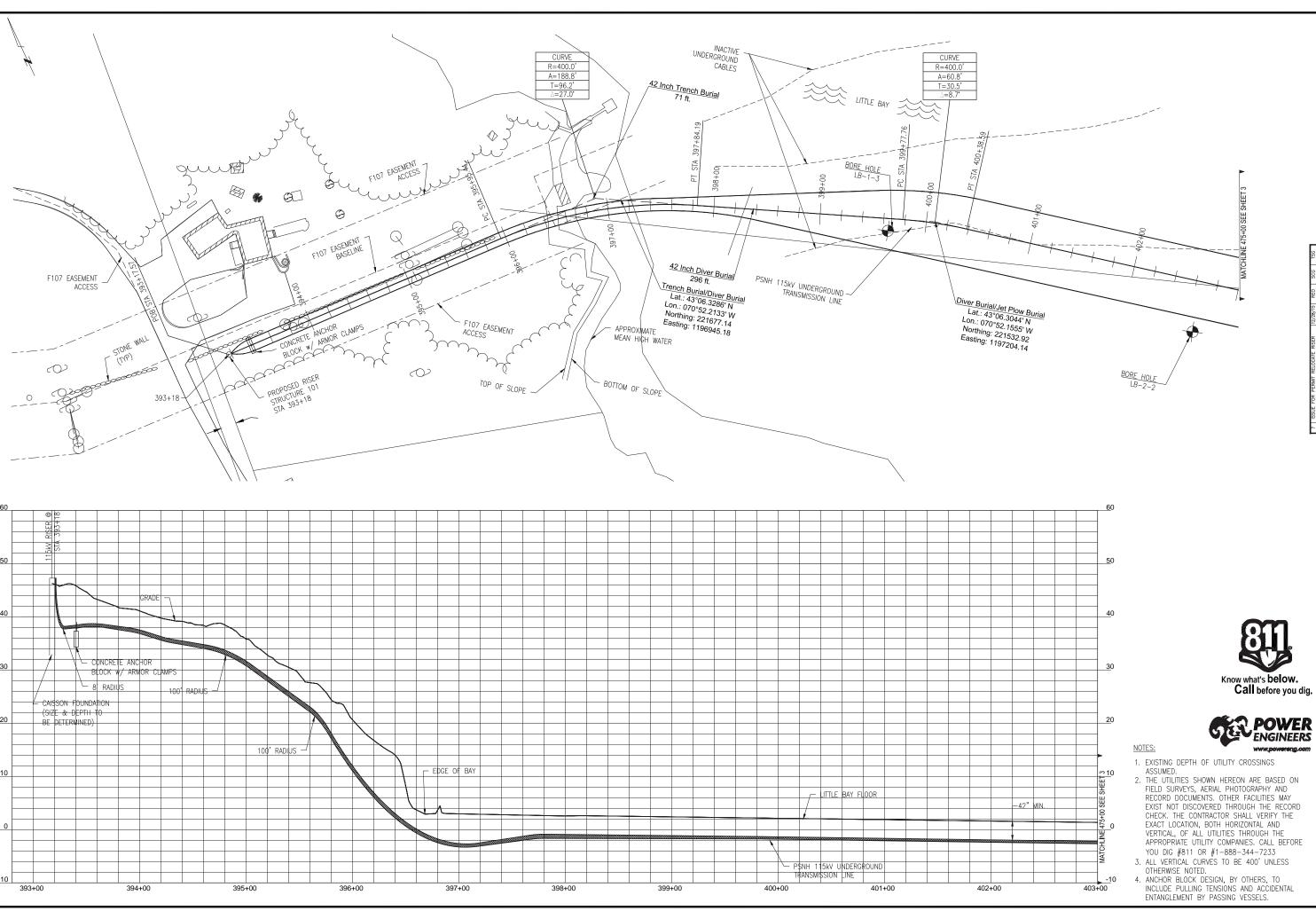




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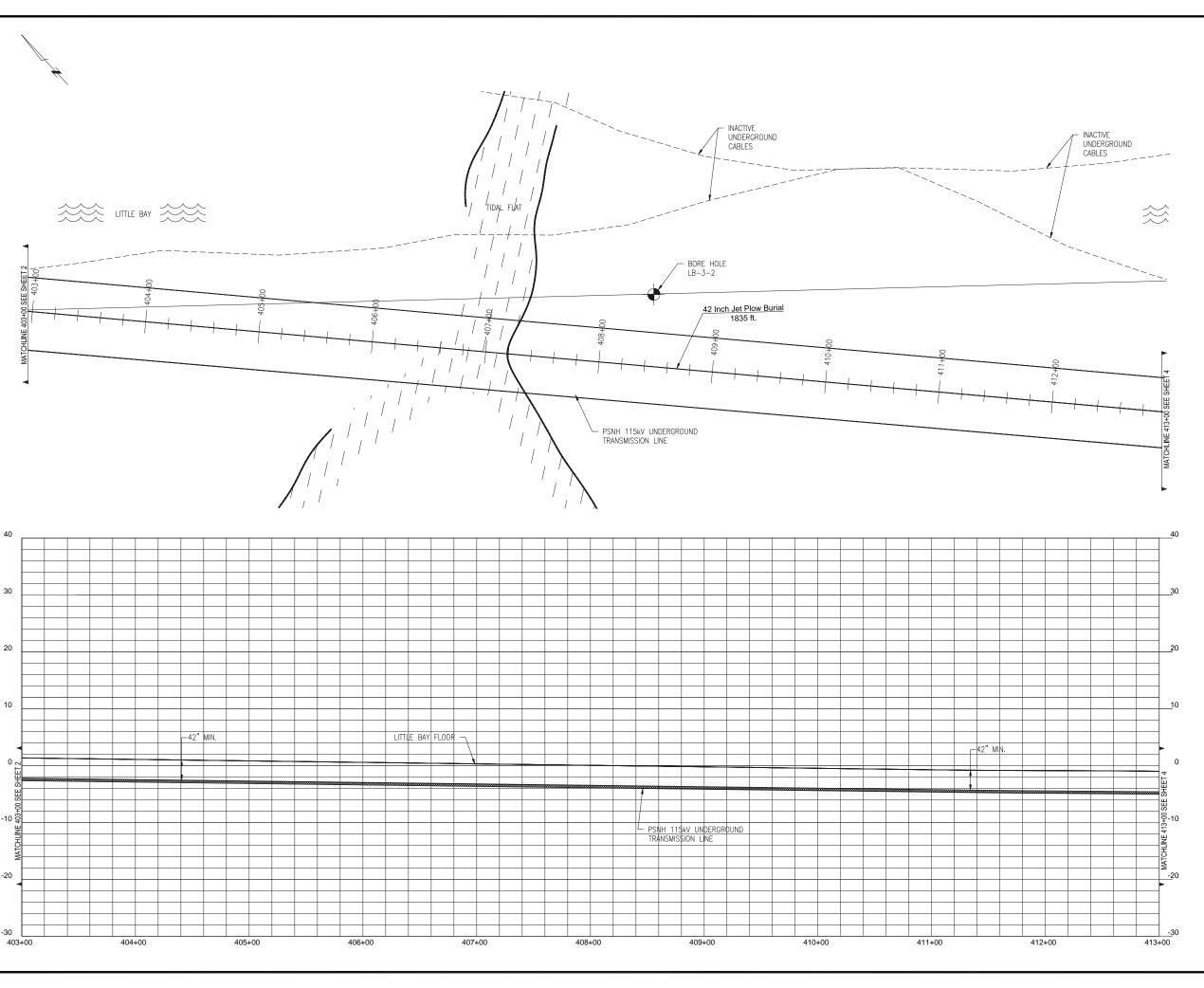
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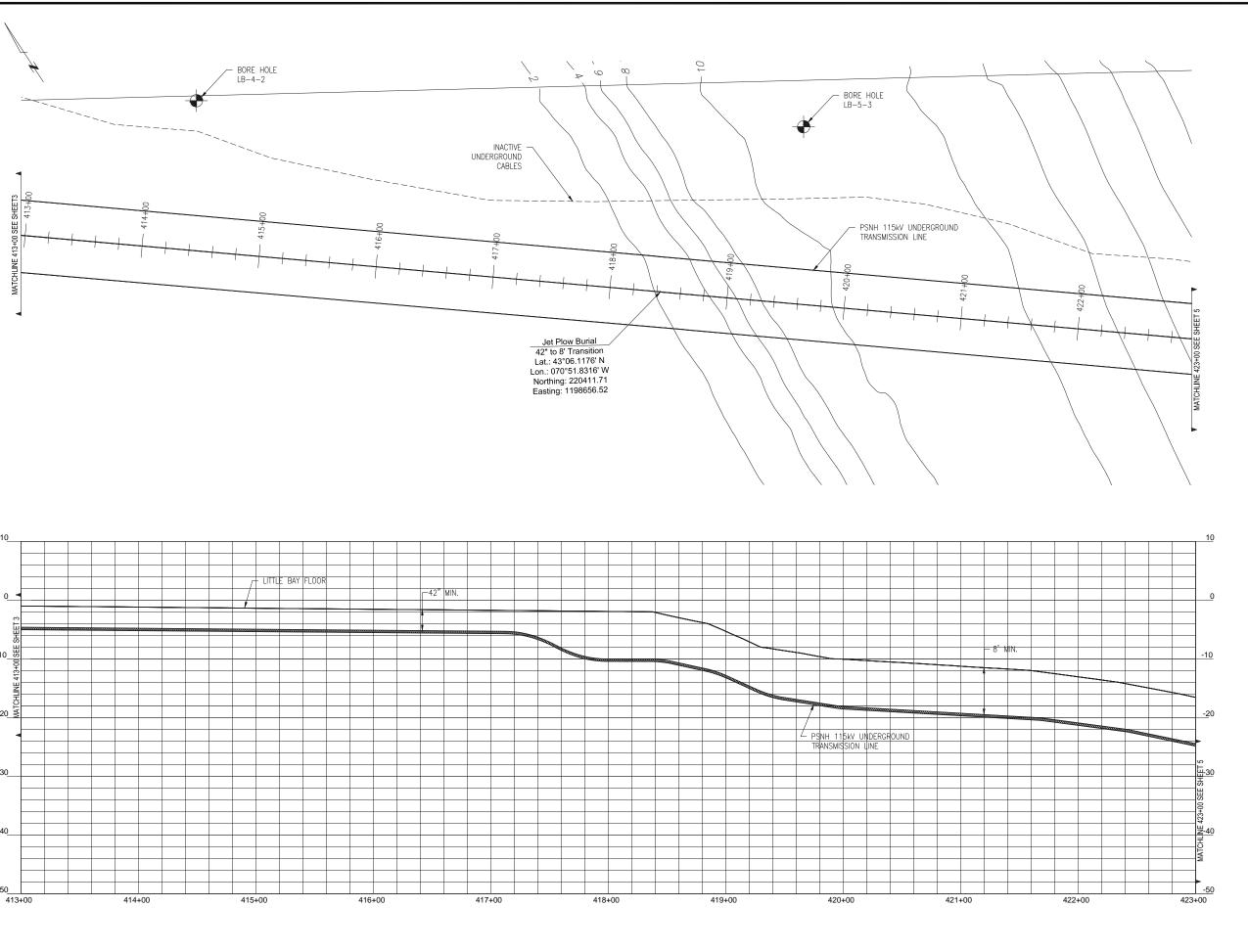


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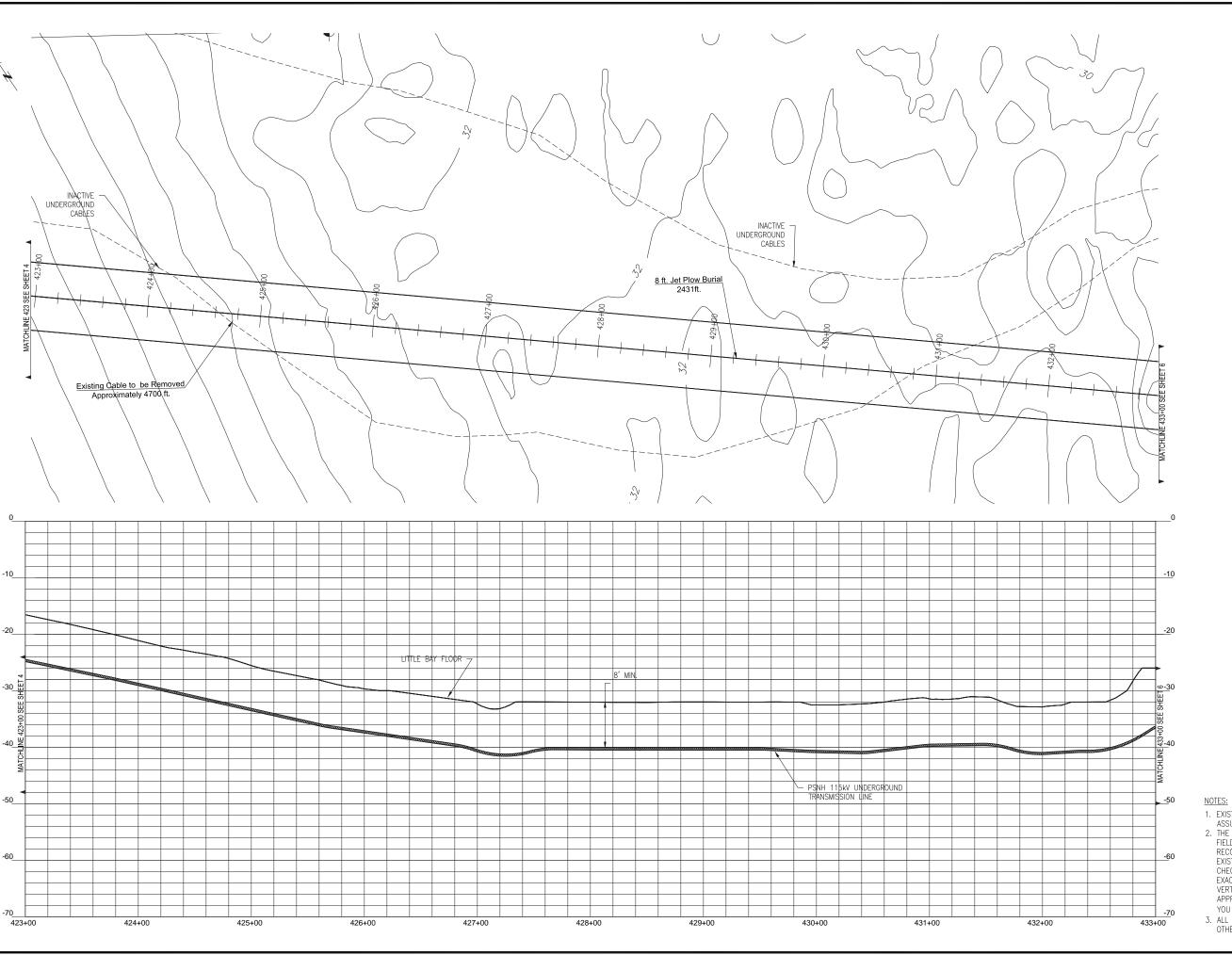
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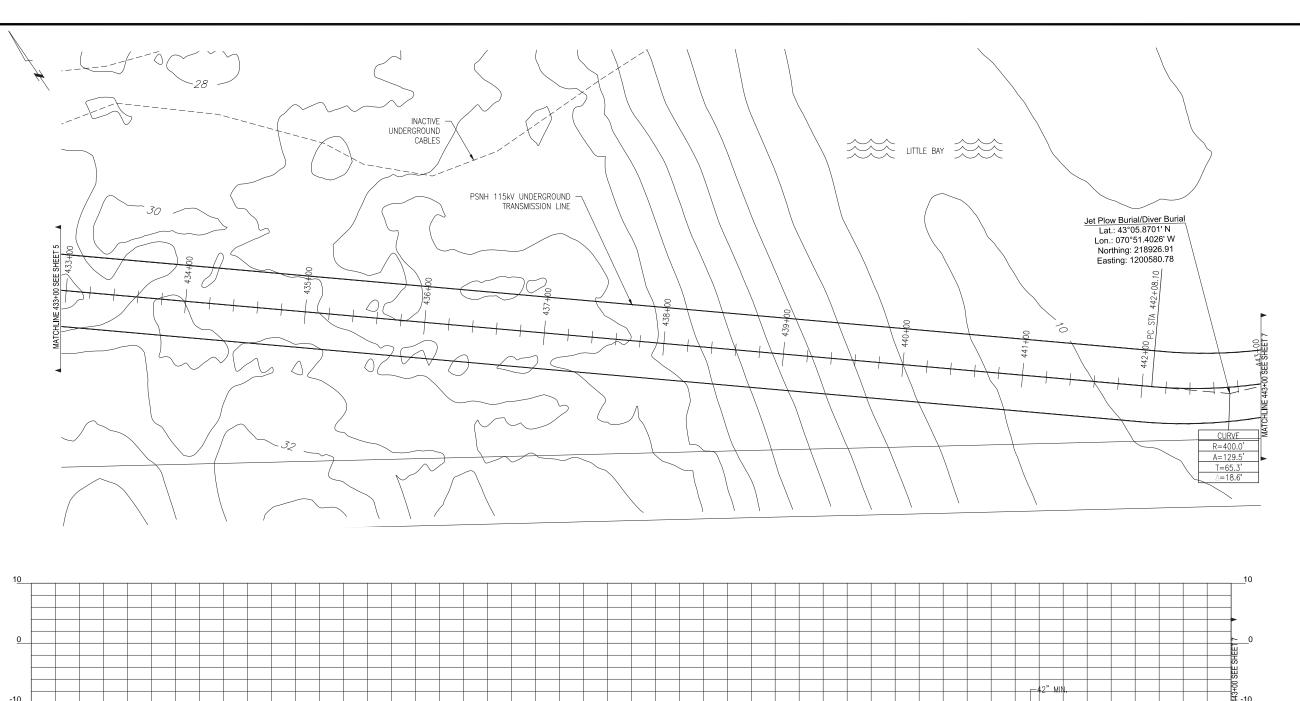


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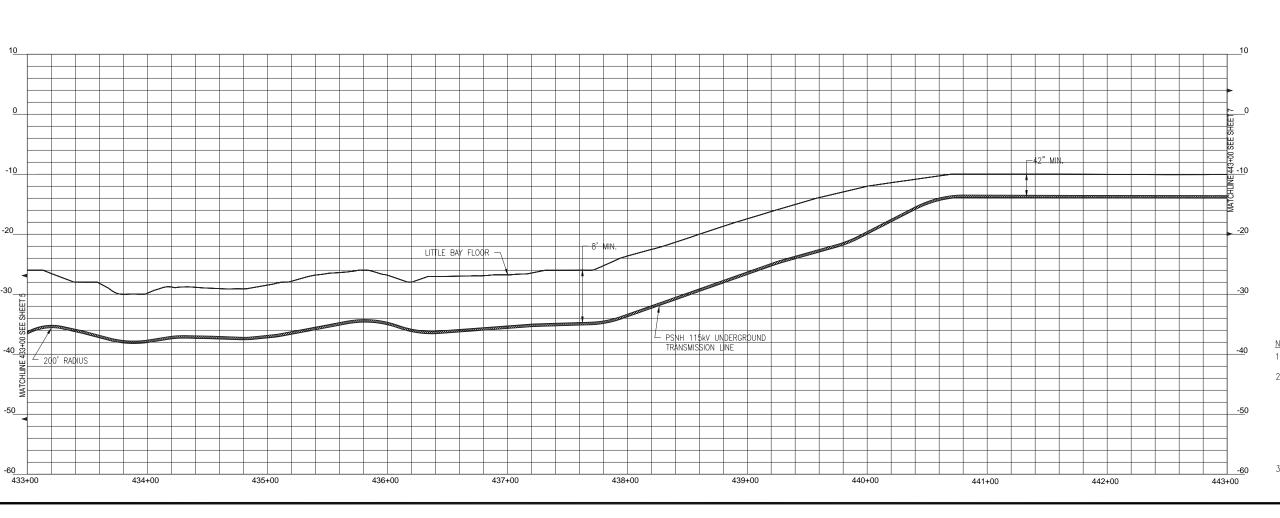


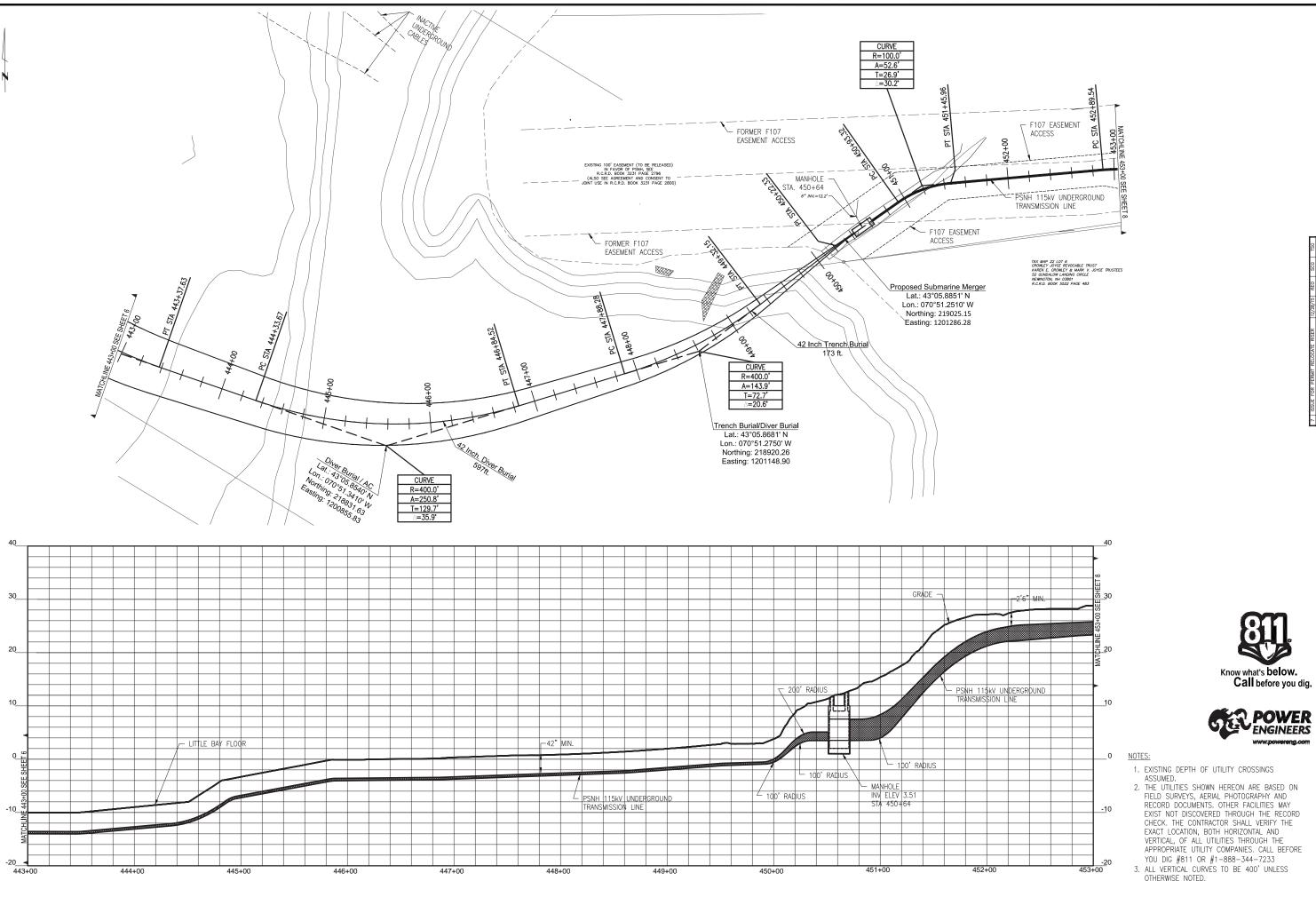
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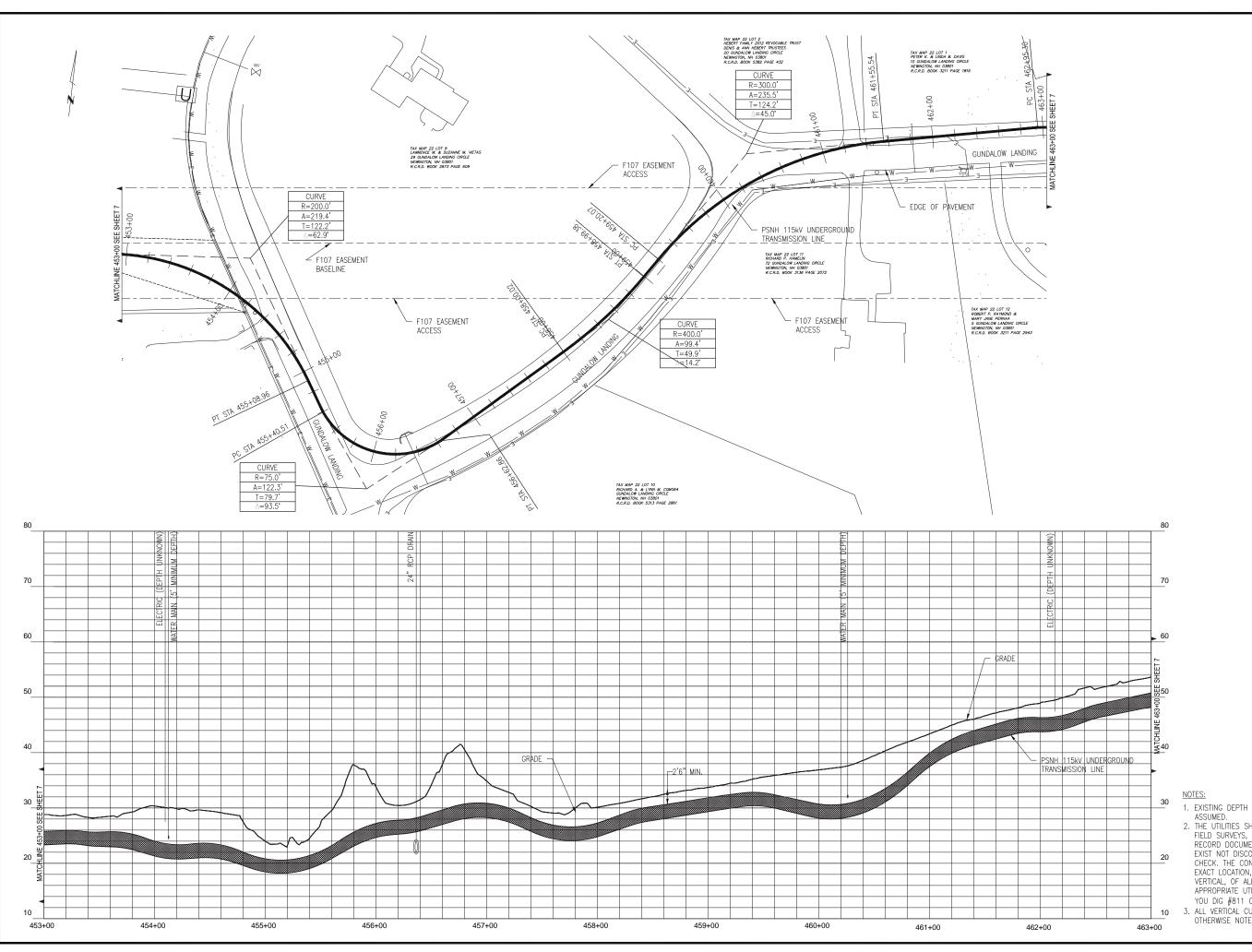






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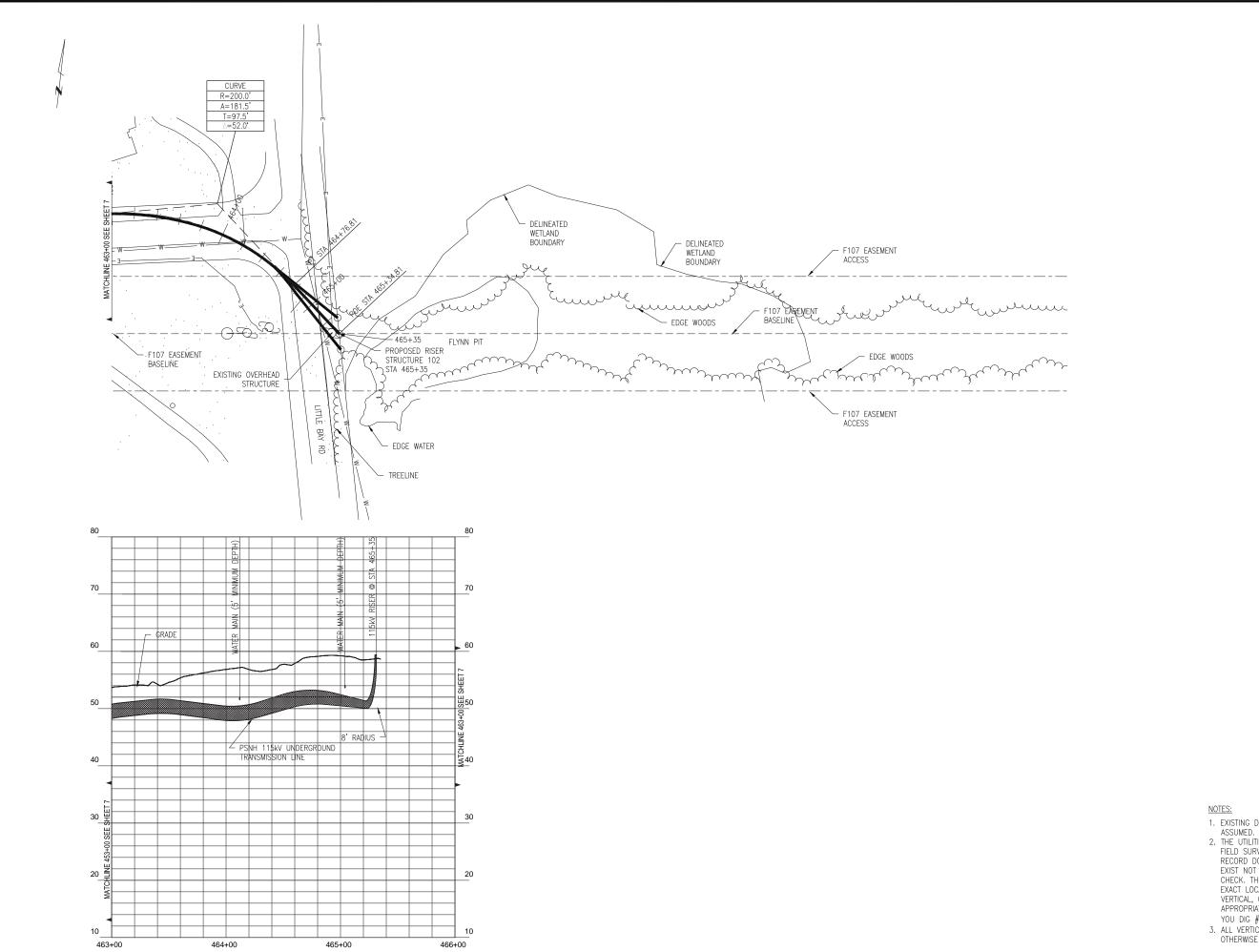
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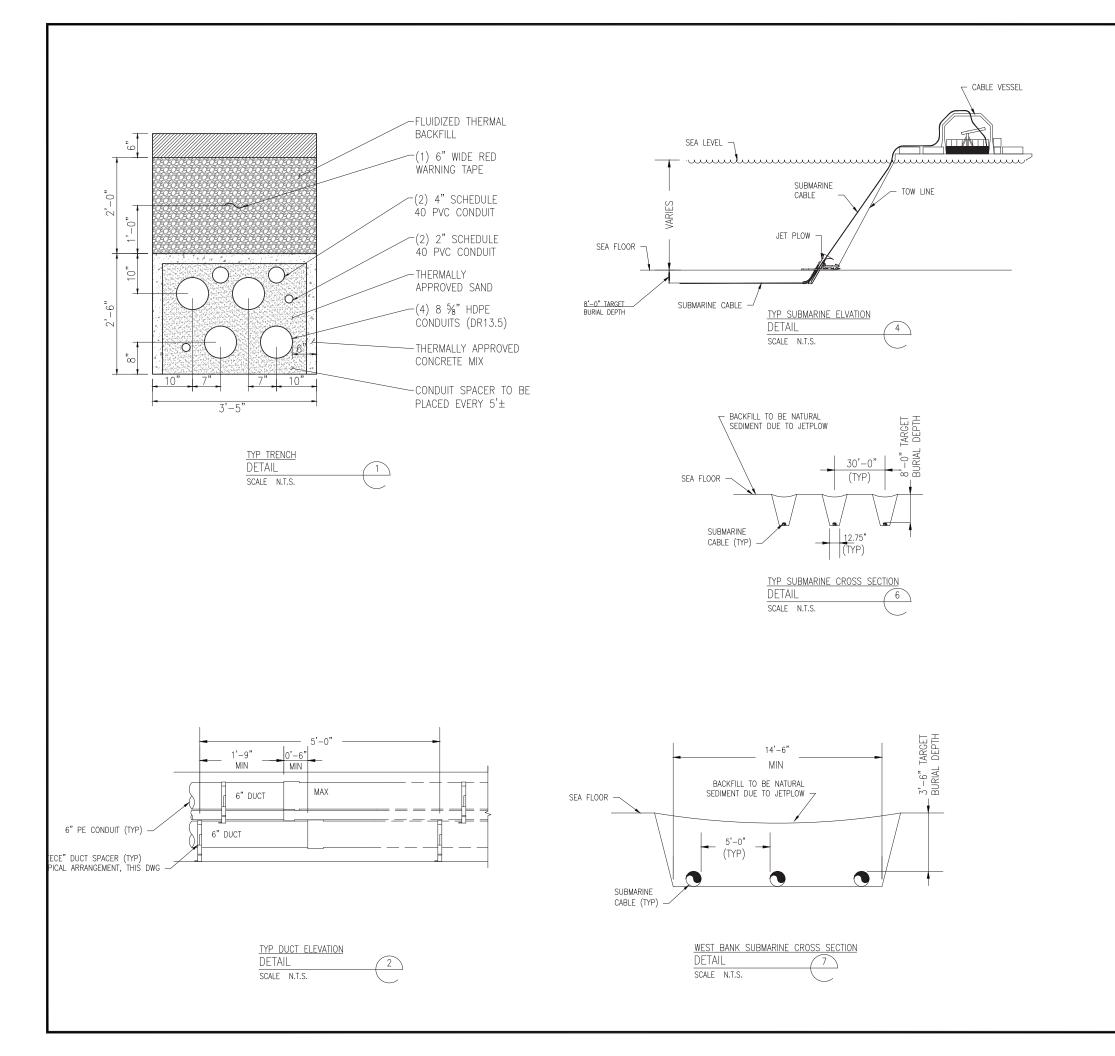
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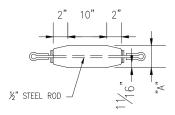
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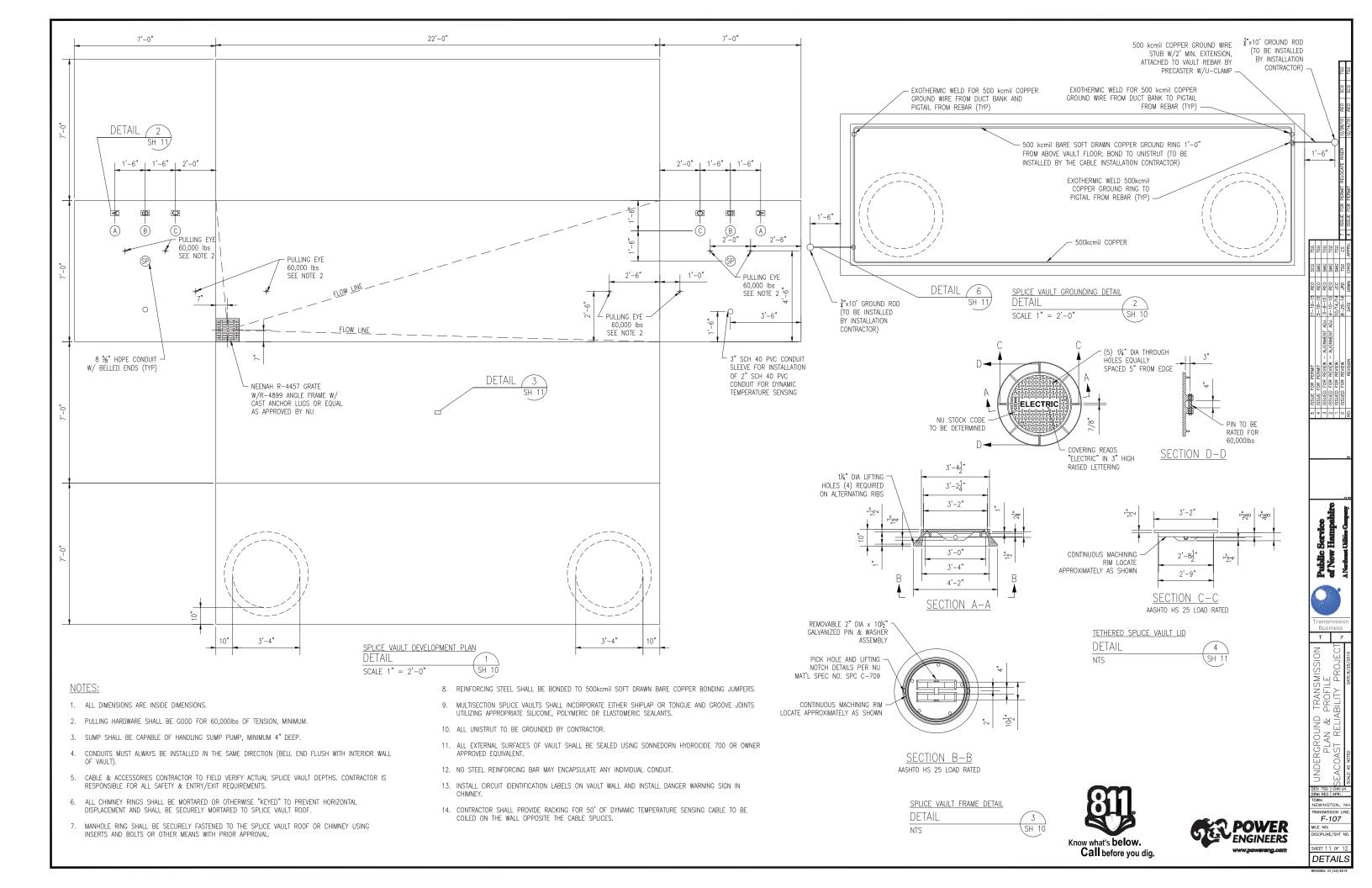
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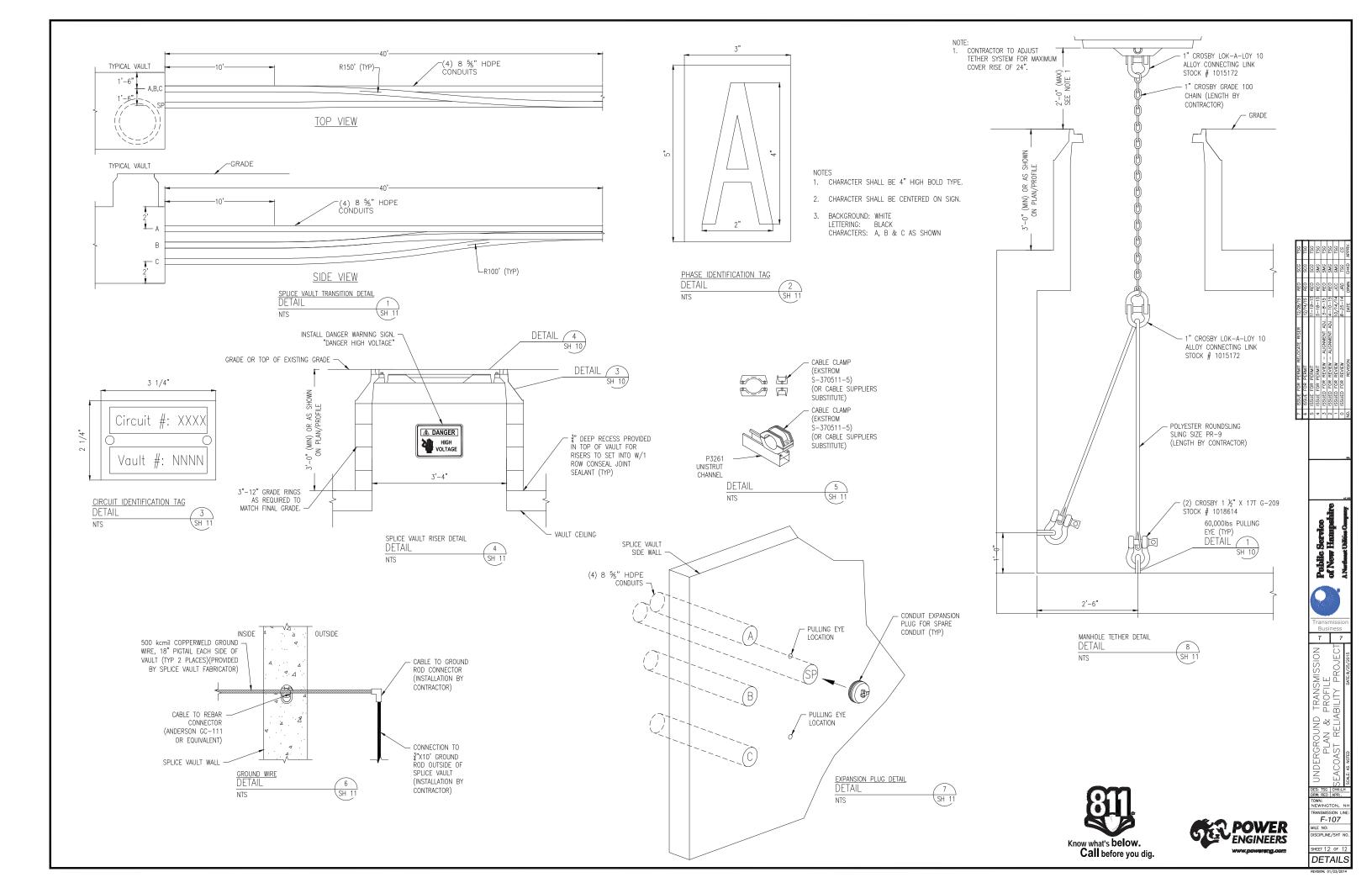
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 4. ALL TRENCH DETAILS AND PHASING SHOWN AS LOOKING AHEAD STATIONS.
 - 5. ALL DUCT SPACERS ARE UNDERGROUND DEVICES "WUNPEECE" SPACERS, OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT.

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APPENDIX 18

Part C – Traffic Control Plans

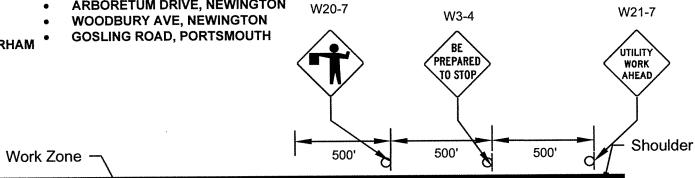


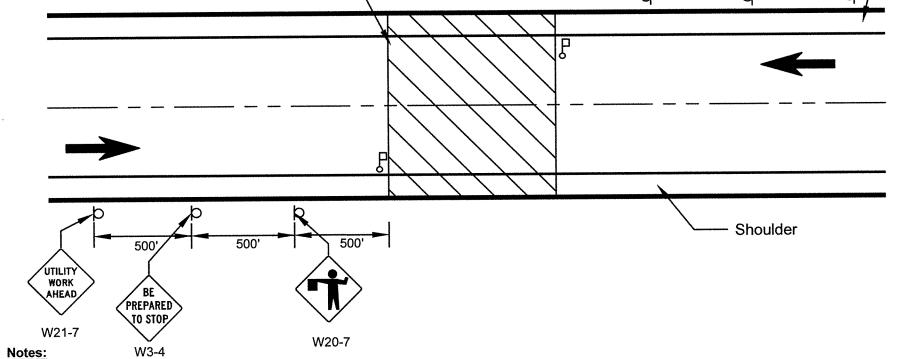




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SEACOAST RELIABILITY PROJECT TYPICAL TEMPORARY CLOSURE FOR AERIAL INSTALLATIONS TWO WAY ROADWAYS

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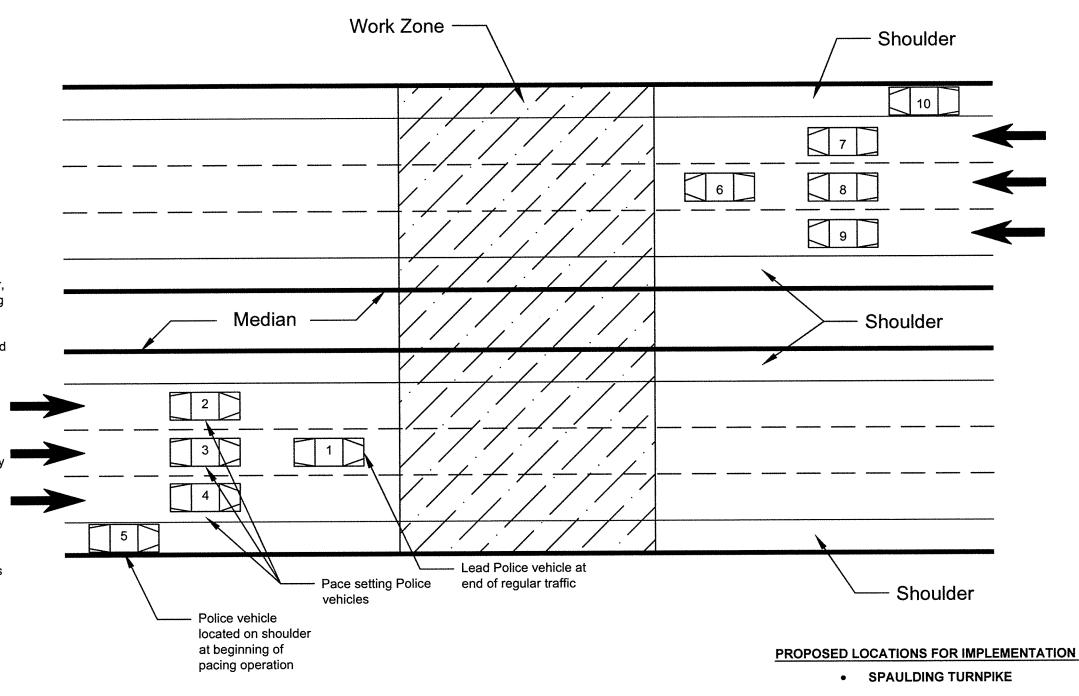
Pacing Distance is defined as the total distance for which officers pace or slow the traffic to a low speed to allow for overhead construction. Calculated total pacing distance for 10 mph pacing speed and a 25 minute roadway closure is **4 miles**.

Stage 1 of the operation begins with all vehicles in the rolling roadblock operation being positioned on the right shoulder of the road at the total pacing distance from the work area with flashing lights off.

Stage 2 begins, after receiving the signal from the lead coordinator, with the pacing and lead vehicles entering the traffic stream. During this stage, the pacing vehicles get into side-by-side positions in the travel lanes, slowing traffic behind them. Once in position, the pacing vehicles turn their flashing lights on and slow to the specified pacing speed (10 mph).

Stage 3 begins when the lead vehicle, which has its lights off, reaches the work area and stops prior to the work area to block any errant vehicle which may have circumvented the pace setting vehicles. At this point, the lead vehicle turns its flashing lights on.

Stage 4 begins when the pace setting vehicles are within two miles of the work area, at which point they must notify the lead coordinator of their position. If the work is completed and the work space is cleared, the pace setting vehicles would proceed through the cleared work area and immediately move to the right shoulder.



Notes:

1. On-ramps within 4 miles of the work zone will be closed prior to the lead vehicle at the end of regular traffic reaching the merge of the on-ramp and will remained closed until the pace setting vehicle passes.

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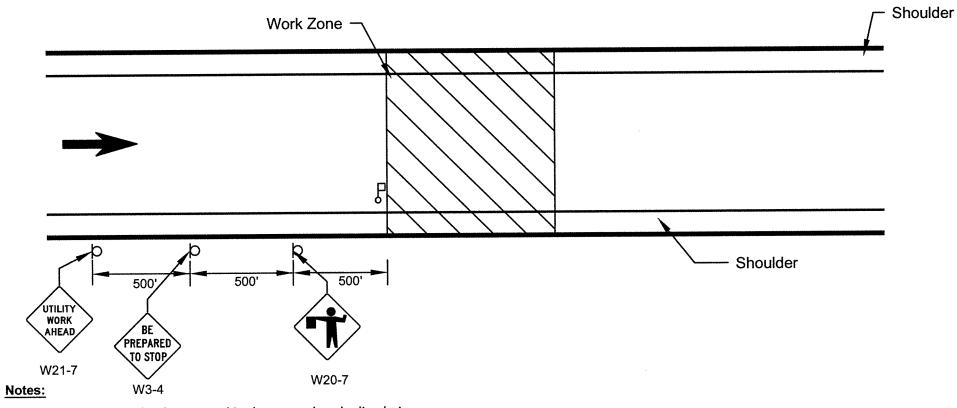
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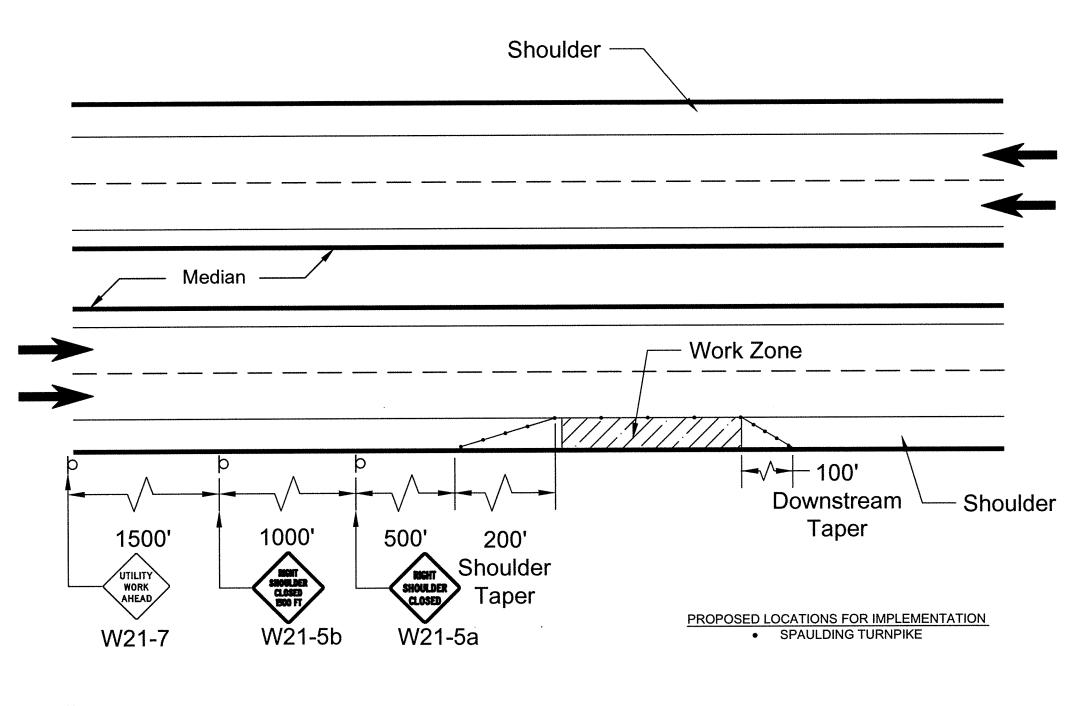
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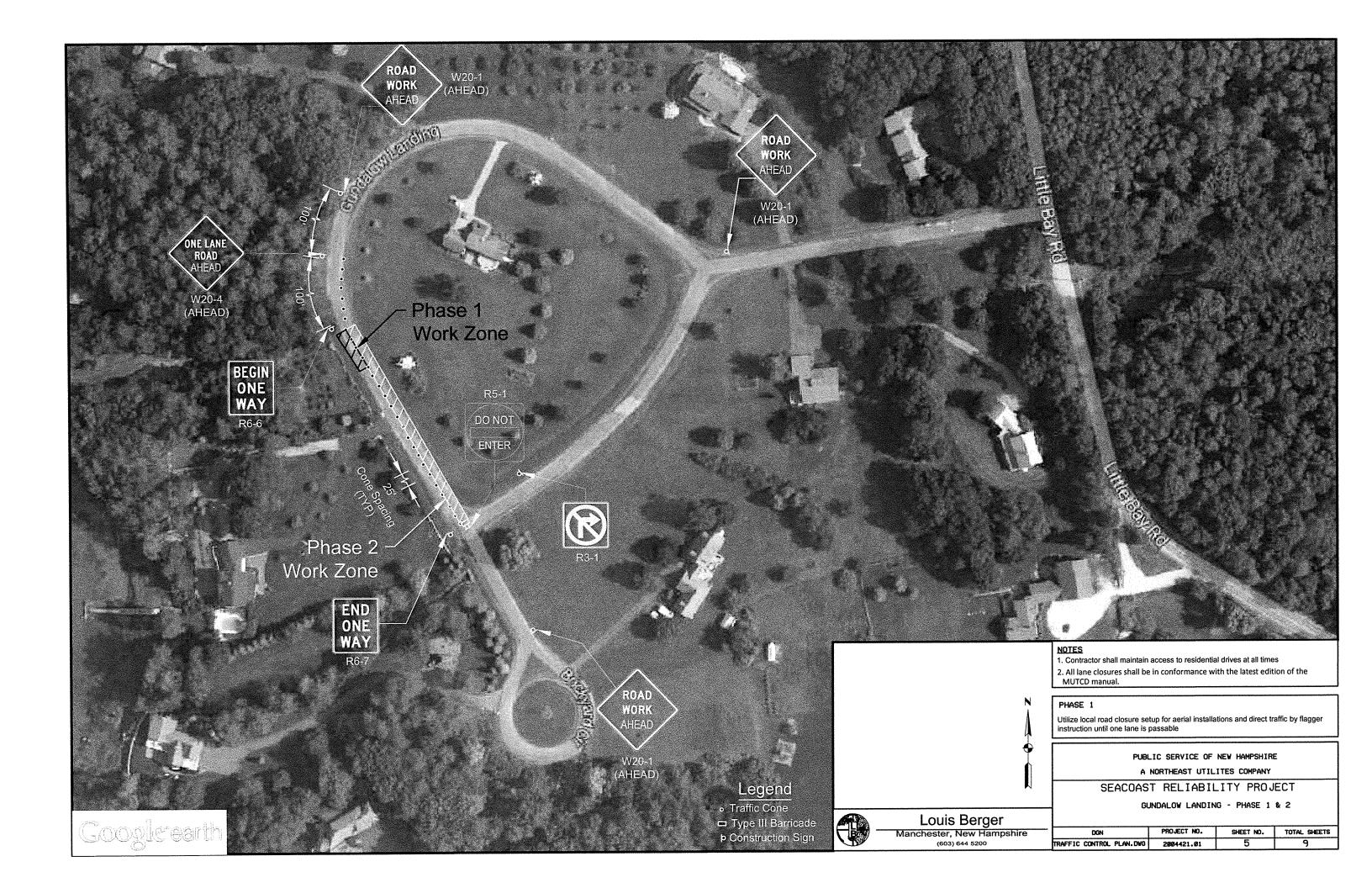
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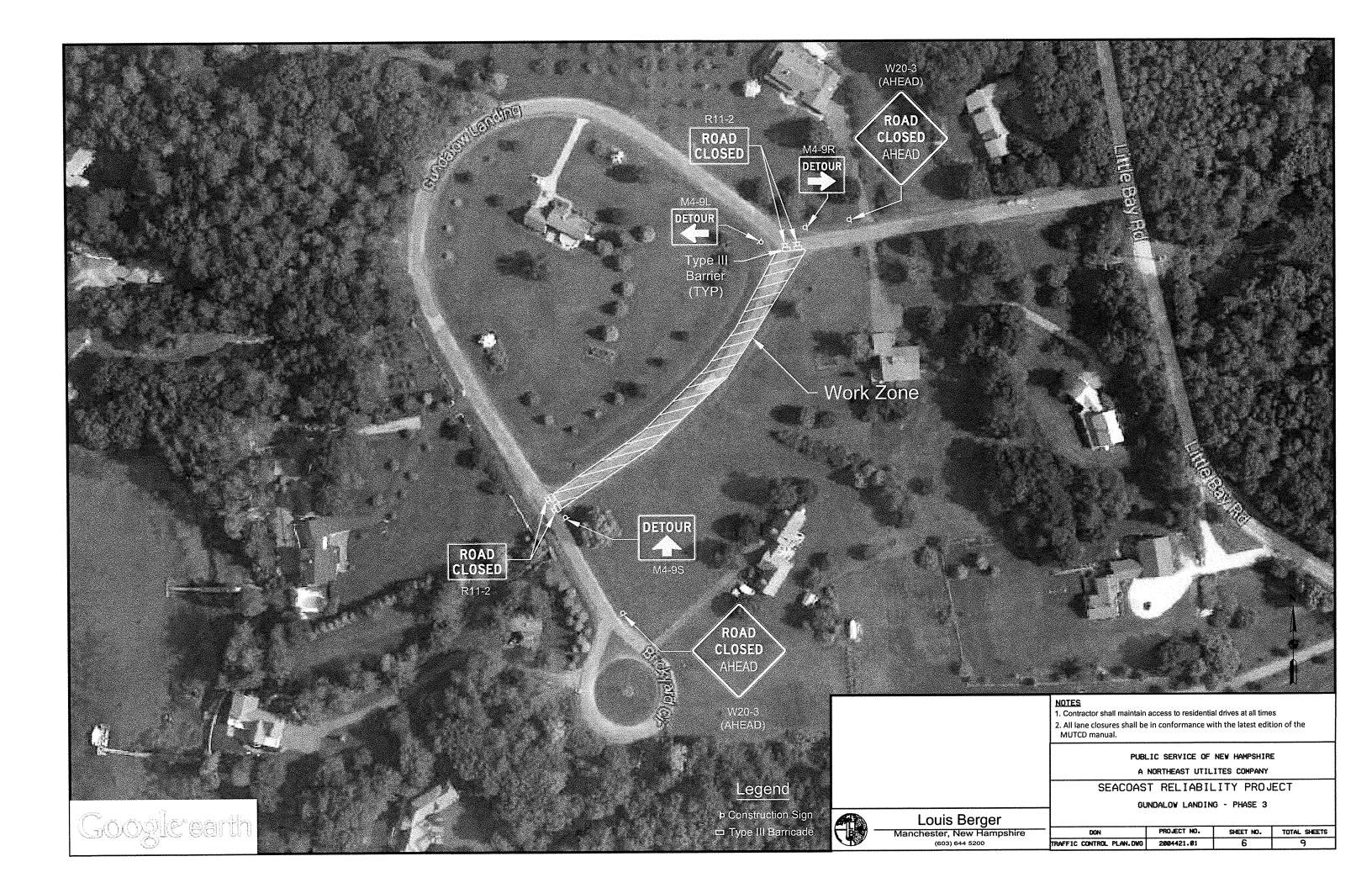
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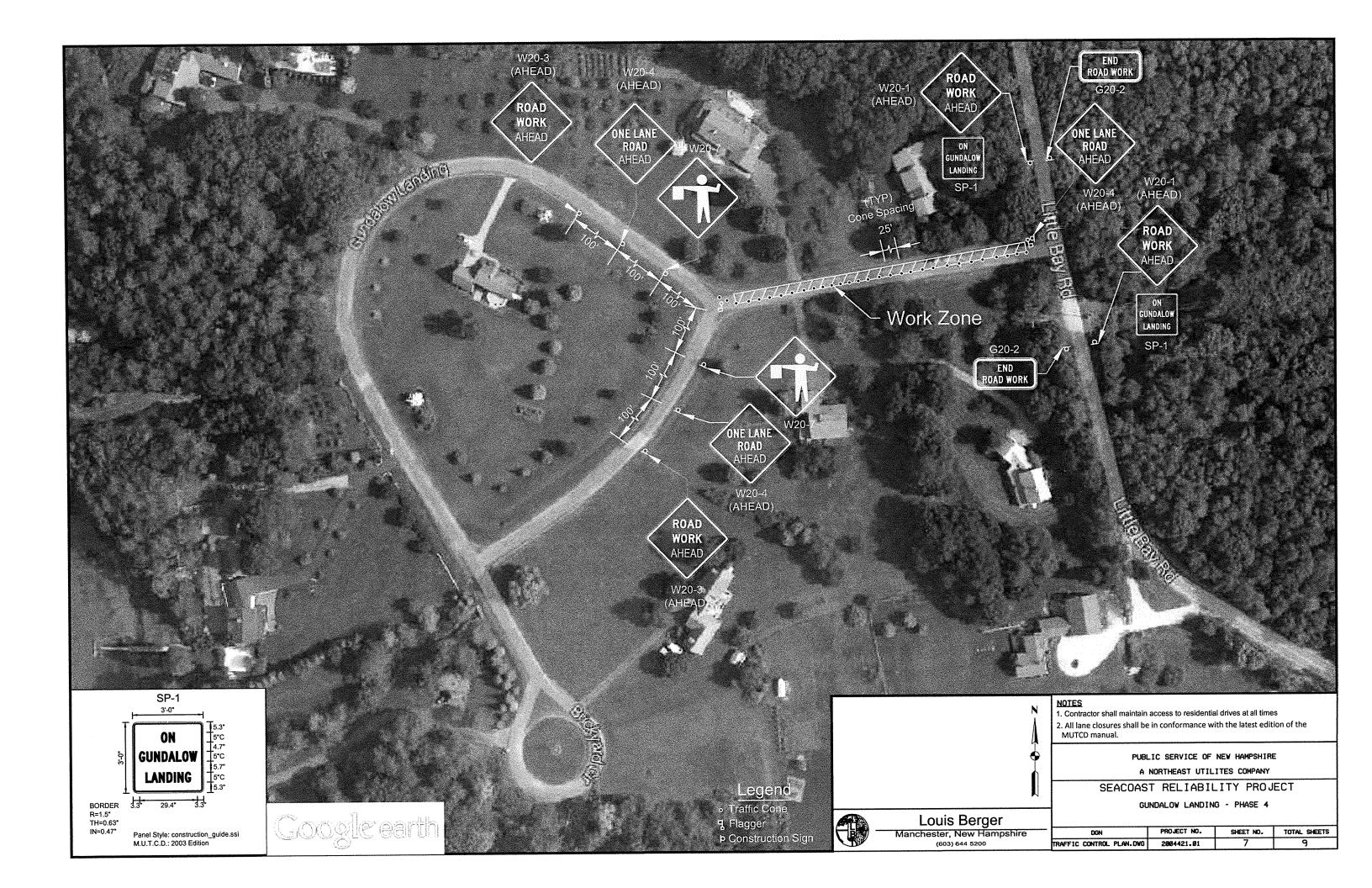
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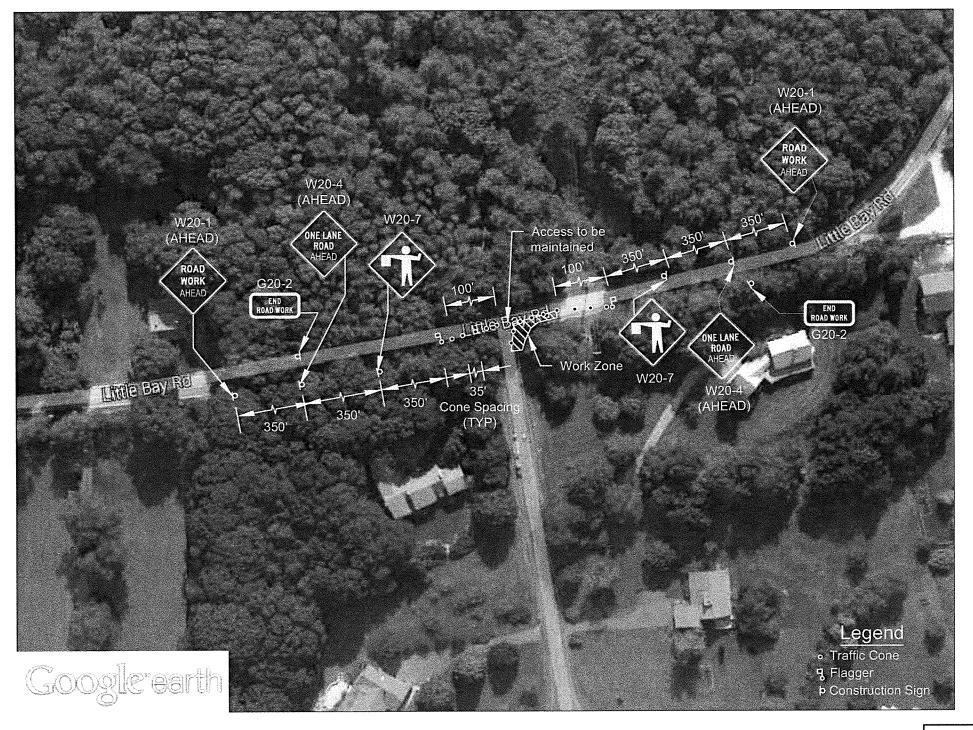


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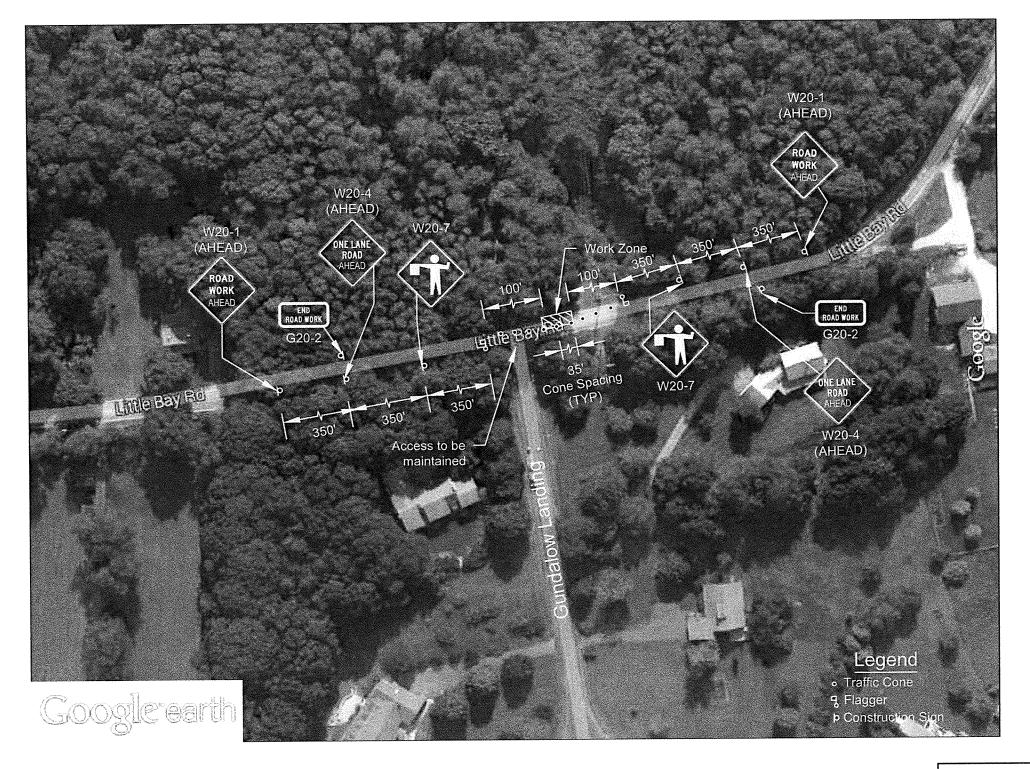
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