

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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ATTN: Mr. Eric Alsmeyer NCDOT Coordinator J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS Secretary

N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Raleigh Central Office 1617 Mail Service Raleigh, NC 7699

Mr. Ryan Conchilla NCDOT Coordinator

Subject: Application for Section 404 Nationwide Permit 14, 401 Water Quality Certification and Buffer Authorization for the proposed Replacement of Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek in Orange County, North Carolina, Division 7; TIP No. BR-0092. WBS Element No. 67092.1.1

Dear Sirs:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to replace Bridge No. 670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek in Orange County. Bridge No. 670037 will be replaced on a new alignment to the west of the existing bridge while traffic is maintained on the existing bridge during construction. The replacement structure will be a single-span 127-foot-long bridge, with two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulder offsets. The result of this action will be 15 linear feet (<0.01 acre) of permanent stream impacts, 85 linear feet (<0.01 acre) of stream bank stabilization, and 0.03 acre temporary stream impacts from a causeway and temporary construction. There will also be 0.039 acre permanent impacts to wetlands and <0.01 acre of hand clearing in wetlands. The project length is approximately 1,450 feet.

There will be 17,056 square feet of allowable impacts to the Jordan Lake Buffer from the new bridge with mitigation required for the 4,445 square feet of roadway fill buffer impacts for this project.

Please see the enclosed State Stormwater Management Plan (SMP), permit drawings, buffer drawings, Division of Mitigation Services (DMS) mitigation acceptance letter, and cultural resource information.

This project calls for a letting date of August 19, 2025 and a review date of April 29, 2025.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jeff Hemphill at <u>jlhemphill@ncdot.gov</u> or (919) 707-6126. A copy of this application and distribution list will also be posted on the NCDOT website at: <u>https://xfer.services.ncdot.gov/pdea/PermApps/</u>.

Sincerely,

X Cheely *for* Michael Turchy

Environmental Coordination and Permitting [ECAP] Group Leader

cc: NCDOT Permit Application Standard Distribution List

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Pre-Construction Notification



Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Form

For Nationwide Permits and Regional General Permits

(along with corresponding Water Quality Certifications)

December 4, 2023 Ver 4.3

Please note: fields marked with a red asterisk * below are required. You will not be able to submit the form until all mandatory questions are answered.

Also, if at any point you wish to print a copy of the E-PCN, all you need to do is right-click on the document and you can print a copy of the form.

Below is a link to the online help file.

https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WaterResources/DocView.aspx?dbid=0&id=2196924

A. Processing Information

If this is a courtesy copy, please fill in this with the submission date.

Does this project involve maintenance dredging funded by the Shallow Draft Navigation Channel Dredging and Aquatic Weed Fund, electric generation projects located at an existing or former electric generating facility, or involve the distribution or transmission of energy or fuel, including natural gas, diesel, petroleum, or electricity? *

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Is this application for a project associated with emergency response/repairs from Hurricane Helene impacts to your project or property?

🔵 Yes 🔘 No

Is this project connected with ARPA funding?*

🔵 Yes 🍥 No

County (or Counties) where the project is located: *

Orange

Is this a NCDMS Project*

Yes No Click Yes, only if NCDMS is the applicant or co-applicant

DO NOT CHECK YES, UNLESS YOU ARE DMS OR CO-APPLICANT.

Is this project a public transportation project? *

Yes No

This is any publicly funded by municipal, state or federal funds road, rail, airport transportation project.

Is this a NCDOT Project?*

Yes No

(NCDOT only) T.I.P. or state project number:

BR-0092

WBS #*

67092.1.1 (for NCDOT use only)

1a. Type(s) of approval sought from the Corps: *

Section 404 Permit (wetlands, streams and waters, Clean Water Act)

Section 10 Permit (navigable waters, tidal waters, Rivers and Harbors Act)

Has this PCN previously been submitted?*

Yes

No

1b. What type(s) of permit(s) do you wish to seek authorization?*

- Nationwide Permit (NWP)
- Regional General Permit (RGP)

Standard (IP)

1c. Has the NWP or GP number been verified by the Corps?*

🔵 Yes 🍥 No

NWP Numbers (for multiple NWPS):		
List all NW numbers you are applying for not on the drop dow	n list.	
1d. Type(s) of approval sought from the DWR:	*	
check all that apply		
401 Water Quality Certification - Regular		401 Water Quality Certification - Express
Non-404 Jurisdictional General Permit		Riparian Buffer Authorization
Individual 401 Water Quality Certification		
1e. Is this notification solely for the record bec	cause written approval is not required?	
		*
For the record only for DWR 401 Certification:		○ Yes ⑧ No
For the record only for Corps Permit:		○ Yes ⑧ No
1f. Is this an after-the-fact permit application?	*	
◯ Yes	No	
		?
Yes	○ No	
Acceptance Letter Attachment Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach d FILE TYPE MUST BE PDF	ocument	
1h. Is the project located in any of NC's twenty	/ coastal counties? *	
○ Yes	No	
For the record only for Corps Permit: 1f. Is this an after-the-fact permit application?* Yes No 1g. Is payment into a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program proposed for mitigation or If so, attach the acceptance letter from mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program. Yes No Acceptance Letter Attachment Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document FILE TYPE MUST BE PDF 1h. Is the project located in any of NC's twenty coastal counties?*		

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Link to trout information: http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Permit-Program/Agency-Coordination/Trout.aspx

B. Applicant Information

1a. Who is the Primary Contact?* Jeff Hemphill 1c. Primary Contact Phone: * 1b. Primary Contact Email: * (xxx)xxx-xxxx jlhemphill@ncdot.gov (919)707-6126 1d. Who is applying for the permit?* Owner Applicant (other than owner) (Check all that apply) 1e. Is there an Agent/Consultant for this project?* 🔵 Yes 🍥 No 2. Owner Information 2a. Name(s) on recorded deed: * NCDOT 2b. Deed book and page no.: 2c. Contact Person: (for Corporations) 2d. Address* Street Address 1598 Mail Service Center Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region Raleigh NC Postal / Zip Code Country 27699-1598 US 2e. Telephone Number:*

(xxx)xxx-xxxx (919)707-6126

2f. Fax Number:

(xxx)xxx-xxxx

ekcheely@ncdot.gov

3. Applicant Information (if different from owner)

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3a. Name:*	
Jeff Hemphill	
3b. Business Name:	
(if applicable)	
3c. Address*	
Street Address	
1598 Mail Service Center	
Address Line 2	
City	State / Province / Region
Raleigh	NC
Postal / Zip Code	Country
27699-1598	US
3d. Telephone Number:*	
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3f. Email Address:*	
jlhemphill@ncdot.gov	

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C. Project Information and Prior Project History

1. Project Information

1a. Name of project: *

BR-0092 - Bridge 37 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek

1b. Subdivision name:

(if appropriate)

1c. Nearest municipality / town: *

New Hope

2. Project Identification

2c. Project Address Street Address Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region Postal / Zip Code Country	2a. Property Identification Number: (tax PIN or parcel ID)	2b. Property size: (in acres)
Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region		

2d. Site coordinates in decimal degrees

Please collect site coordinates in decimal degrees. Use between 4-6 digits (unless you are using a survey-grade GPS device) after the decimal place as appropriate, based on how the location was determined. (For example, most mobile phones with GPS provide locational precision in decimal degrees to map coordinates to 5 or 6 digits after the decimal place.)

Latitude: *	Longitude: *
35.99509	-79.07251
ex: 34.208504	-77.796371

3. Surface Waters

3a. Name of the nearest body of water to proposed project: *

New Hope Creek

3b. Water Resources Classification of nearest receiving water: *

WS-V; NSW

Surface Water Lookup

3c. What river basin(s) is your project located in?*

03030002

River Basin Lookup

4. Project Description and History

4a. Describe the existing conditions on the site and the general land use in the vicinity of the project at the time of this application: *

Two lane facility over a waterbody. Rural residential, forested.

4b. Have Corps permits or DWR certifications been obtained for this project (including all prior phases) in the past?*

🔵 Yes 💿 No 🔵 Unknown

4f. List the total estimated acreage of all existing wetlands on the property:

0.23 acres

4g. List the total estimated linear feet of all existing streams on the property:

(intermittent and perennial) 813 If

4h. Explain the purpose of the proposed project: *

The purpose of the proposed project is to replace a structurally deficient bridge. Bridge No. 670037 was built in 1951. The three-span bridge is 90 feet long with a deck width of 22 feet. The superstructure is composed of a reinforced concrete deck with steel I-beams. NCDOT Bridge Management Unit records indicate the structure currently has a sufficiency rating of 52.01 out of a possible 100 for a new structure as of March 16, 2022. The bridge is considered structurally deficient due to a superstructure rating of 4 out of 9.

4i. Describe the overall project in detail, including indirect impacts and the type of equipment to be used: *

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to replace Bridge No. 670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek in Orange County. Bridge No. 670037 will be replaced on new alignment to the west of the existing bridge while traffic is maintained on the existing bridge during construction. The replacement structure will be a single-span 116-foot-long bridge, with two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulder offsets. The roadway approaches along NC 86 will have two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot usable shoulders, of which four feet will be paved except in areas with guardrail, where the shoulder will be paved to a width of 8 to 10 feet. The project length is approximately 1,450 feet. Standard road and bridge building equipment such as trucks, dozers, and cranes will be used.

5. Jurisdictional Determinations

5a. Have the wetlands or streams been de	ineated on the property or proposed impact areas? *	
Yes	No	Unknown
Comments:		
5b. If the Corps made a jurisdictional deter	rmination, what type of determination was made? *	
Preliminary O Approved Not Verified	◯ Unknown ◯ N/A	
Corps AID Number:		
Example: SAW-2017-99999		
5c. If 5a is yes, who delineated the jurisdic	tional areas?	
Name (if known):	Hal Bain	
Agency/Consultant Company:	RK&K	
Other:		
6. Future Project Plans		
6a. Is this a phased project?*		
◯ Yes	No	
Are any other NWP(s), regional general pe	rmit(s), or individual permits(s) used, or intended to	be used, to authorize any part of the proposed project or related activity? This includes other

D. Proposed Impacts Inventory	\bigcirc
1. Impacts Summary	

Wetlands

Open Waters

Streams-tributaries
 Pond Construction

separate and distant crossing for linear projects that require Department of the Army authorization but don't require pre-construction notification.

Buffers

2. Wetland Impacts

If there are wetland impacts proposed on the site, then complete this question for each wetland area impacted.

"W." will be used in the table below to represent the word "wetland".

2a. Site #* (?)	2a1 Reason * (?)	2b. Impact type * (?)	2c. Type of W.*	2d. W. name*	2e. Forested*	2f. Type of Jurisdicition * (?)	2g. Impact area [*]
Site 1	False Cut Ditch	Ρ	Non-Tidal Freshwater Marsh	WC	Yes	Both	0.021 (acres)
Site 3	RCP	Ρ	Non-Tidal Freshwater Marsh	WA	No	Both	0.001 (acres)
Site 4	Roadway Embankment	Р	Non-Tidal Freshwater Marsh	WB	No	Both	0.017 (acres)

2g. Total Temporary Wetland Impact

0.000

2g. Total Permanent Wetland Impact

0.039

0.039

2g. Total Wetland Impact

2i. Comments:

There is 0.005 acres of Hand Clearing at Site 3 that is nonmitigable.

3. Stream Impacts

If there are perennial or intermittent stream impacts (including temporary impacts) proposed on the site, then complete this question for all stream sites impacted.

"S." will be used in the table below to represent the word "stream".

	3a. Reason for impact * (?)	3b.Impact type *	3c. Type of impact*	3d. S. name *		3f. Type of Jurisdiction*	3g. S. width *	3h. Impact length *
S1	Site 2 - Bank Stabilization	Permanent	Bank Stabilization	New Hope Creek	Perennial	Both	33 Average (feet)	85 (linear feet)
S2	Site 2 - Rip Rap at Embankment	Permanent	Rip Rap Fill	New Hope Creek	Perennial	Both	33 Average (feet)	15 (linear feet)
	Site 2 - Rip Rap at Embankment	Temporary	Other	New Hope Creek	Perennial	Both	33 Average (feet)	27 (linear feet)
S4	Site 2 - Causeway	Temporary	Workpad/Causeway	New Hope Creek	Perennial	Both	33 Average (feet)	35 (linear feet)

** All Perennial or Intermittent streams must be verified by DWR or delegated local government.

3i. Total jurisdictional ditch impact in square feet:

0

3i. Total permanent stream impacts:

100

- **3i. Total temporary stream impacts:** 62
- 3i. Total stream and ditch impacts:

162

3j. Comments:

6. Buffer Impacts (for DWR)

If project will impact a protected riparian buffer, then complete the chart below. Individually list all buffer impacts below.

6a. Project is in which protect basin(s)?*	
Check all that apply.	
Neuse	Tar-Pamlico
Catawba	Randleman
Goose Creek	🖉 Jordan Lake
Other	

6b. Impact Type [*] (?)	6c. Per or Temp* (?)	6d. Stream name *	6e. Buffer mitigation required?*	6f. Zone 1 impact*	6g. Zone 2 impact*
Bridge - Allowable	Р	New Hope Creek	No	3,526 (square feet)	742 (square feet)
Bridge - Allowable	Ρ	New Hope Creek	No	1,947 (square feet)	98 (square feet)

Bridge - Allowable	Ρ	New Hope Creek	No	1,225 (square feet)	525 (square feet)
Bridge - Allowable	Р	New Hope Creek	No	1,308 (square feet)	534 (square feet)
Roadway - Allowable w/Mitigation	Р	New Hope Creek	Yes	60 (square feet)	1,406 (square feet)
Roadway - Allowable w/Mitigation	Р	New Hope Creek	Yes	738 (square feet)	1,728 (square feet)
Roadway - Allowable w/Mitigation	Р	New Hope Creek	Yes	0 (square feet)	404 (square feet)
Roadway - Allowable w/Mitigation	Р	New Hope Creek	Yes	0 (square feet)	109 (square feet)
Parallel Impact - Allowable	Р	New Hope Creek	No	3,502 (square feet)	3,649 (square feet)

6h. Total buffer impacts:

Total Temporary impacts:	Zone 1 0.00	Zone 2 0.00
	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total Permanent impacts:	12,306.00	9,195.00
	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total combined buffer impacts:	12,306.00	9,195.00

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6i. Comments:

E. Impact Justification and Mitigation

1. Avoidance and Minimization

1a. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts in designing the project: *

Design Standards for Sensitive Watersheds will be implemented during project construction.

The existing bridge will serve as an onsite detour during construction of the new bridge, reducing temporary construction impacts.

1b. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts through construction techniques: * Best Management Practices

2. Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State

2a. Does the project require Compensatory Mitigation for impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State?

Yes	No
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2c. If yes, mitigation is required by (check all that apply):

DWR Corps

2d. If yes, which mitigation option(s) will be used for this project?

Mitigation bank Z Payment to in-lieu fee program Permittee Responsible Mitigation

4. Complete if Making a Payment to In-lieu Fee Program

4a. Approval letter from in-lieu fee program is attached.	
🖲 Yes 🔘 No	
4b. Stream mitigation requested:	
(linear feet)	$\ensuremath{4c}.$ If using stream mitigation, what is the stream temperature:
15	warm

NC Stream Temperature Classification Maps can be found under the Mitigation Concepts tab on the Wilmington District's RIBITS website.

4d. Buffer mitigation requested (DWR only):

(square feet) 4445

4f. Non-riparian wetland mitigation requested:

(acres)

4h. Comments

0.048 acre wetland mitigation was originally requested from DMS, but total wetland mitigation needs are actually 0.039 acre.

No

F. Stormwater Management and Diffuse Flow Plan (required by DWR)

*** Recent changes to the stormwater rules have required updates to this section .***

1. Diffuse Flow Plan

1a. Does the project include or is it adjacent to protected riparian buffers identified within one of the NC Riparian Buffer Protection Rules?

Yes

1b. All buffer impacts and high ground impacts require diffuse flow or other form of stormwater treatment. If the project is subject to a state implemented riparian buffer protection program, include a plan that fully documents how diffuse flow will be maintained.

All Stormwater Control Measures (SCM)s must be designed in accordance with the NC Stormwater Design Manual. Associated supplement forms and other documentation shall be provided.

What type of SCM are you providing?

Level Spreader

Vegetated Conveyance (lower SHWT)

Wetland Swale (higher SHWT)

Other SCM that removes minimum 30% nitrogen

Proposed project will not create concentrated stormwater flow through the buffer

(check all that apply)

For a list of options to meet the diffuse flow requirements, click here.

2. Stormwater Management Plan

2a. Is this a NCDOT project subject to compliance with NCDOT's Individual NPDES permit NCS000250?*

Yes No

Comments:

G. Supplementary Information

1. Environmental Documentation

1a. Does the project involv	expenditure of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use of public (federal/state) land?*
Yes	No
1b. If you answered "yes" 1 Environmental Policy Act (e above, does the project require preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the requirements of the National or State (North Carolina) A/SEPA)?*
Yes	No
1c. If you answered "yes" t	e above, has the document review been finalized by the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter.)*
Yes	○ No

2. Violations (DWR Requirement)

2a. Is the site in violation of DWR Water Quality Certification Rules (15A NCAC 2H .0500), Isolated Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .1300), or DWR Surface Water or Wetland Standards or Riparian Buffer Rules (15A NCAC 2B .0200)?*

3. Cumulative Impacts (DWR Requirement)

3a. Will this project (based on past and reasonably anticipated future impacts) result in additional development, which could impact nearby downstream water quality?*

Yes

No

3b. If you answered "no," provide a short narrative description.

Due to the minimal transportation impact resulting from this bridge replacement, this project will not stimulate growth but may influence nearby land use.

4. Sewage Disposal (DWR Requirement)

4e. Riparian wetland mitigation requested: (acres)
0.039
4g. Coastal (tidal) wetland mitigation requested:

(acres)

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🔾 Yes 🔍 No 🔍 N/A

5. Endangered Species and Designated Critical Habitat (Corps Requirement)

5a. Will this project occur in or near an area w	ith federally protected species or habitat? *	
Yes	○ No	
5b. Have you checked with the USFWS concer	rning Endangered Species Act impacts?*	
Yes	No	
5c. If yes, indicate the USFWS Field Office you Raleigh	ı have contacted.	
5d. Is another Federal agency involved?*		
Yes	No	Unknown
What Federal Agency is involved? USFWS, FHWA		
5e. Is this a DOT project located within Divisio	on's 1-8?*	
Yes O No		
5j. What data sources did you use to determin	e whether your site would impact Endangere	d Species or Designated Critical Habitat?*
1 1 5	5	ogrammatic Biological Opinion (PBO) issued by the ect, Likely to Adversely Affect. The Department will

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. This use of the PBO has the following biological conclusion: May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect. The Department will adhere to the PBO Methodology, Conservation Measures, Reasonable and Prudent Measures, Terms and Conditions, and Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. The appropriate payment to the NC Nongame Aquatic Species Fund was submitted and verified received in the second quarter of the 2024-2025 FY.

The monarch butterfly was listed as Proposed Threatened on December 12, 2024. No biological conclusion is required for this species at this time.

USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC).

6. Essential Fish Habitat (Corps Requirement)

6a. Will this project occur in or near an area designated as an Essential Fish Habitat?*

Yes

6b. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact an Essential Fish Habitat?* Review of online mapping sources.

7. Historic or Prehistoric Cultural Resources (Corps Requirement)

No

No

No

Link to the State Historic Preservation Office Historic Properties Map (does not include archaeological data: http://gis.ncdcr.gov/hpoweb/

7a. Will this project occur in or near an area that the state, federal or tribal governments have designated as having historic or cultural preservation status (e.g., National Historic Trust designation or properties significant in North Carolina history and archaeology)?*

Yes

7b. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact historic or archeological resources?*

Included Archaeology Form/Letter and Historic Properties and Landscapes Form/Letter.

8. Flood Zone Designation (Corps Requirement)

Link to the FEMA Floodplain Maps: https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search

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8a. Will this project occur in a FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain?*
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Yes

8b. If yes, explain how project meets FEMA requirements:

8c. What source(s) did you use to make the floodplain determination? * FEMA Flood maps

Miscellaneous

Comments

Please use the space below to attach all required documentation or any additional information you feel is helpful for application review. Documents should be combined into one file when possible, with a Cover Letter, Table of Contents, and a Cover Sheet for each Section preferred.

Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document

BR-0092 Orange January 30 2025.pdf 17.13MB File must be PDF or KMZ \bigcirc

Signature

By checking the box and signing below, I certify that:

- The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief'; and
- The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time. . . I have given true, accurate, and complete information on this form;
- I agree that submission of this PCN form is a "transaction" subject to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act"); .
- I agree to conduct this transaction by electronic means pursuant to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I understand that an electronic signature has the same legal effect and can be enforced in the same way as a written signature; AND .
- I intend to electronically sign and submit the PCN form. .

Full Name:*

Erin K. Cheely

Signature*

Erin K. Cheely

Date 1/30/2025

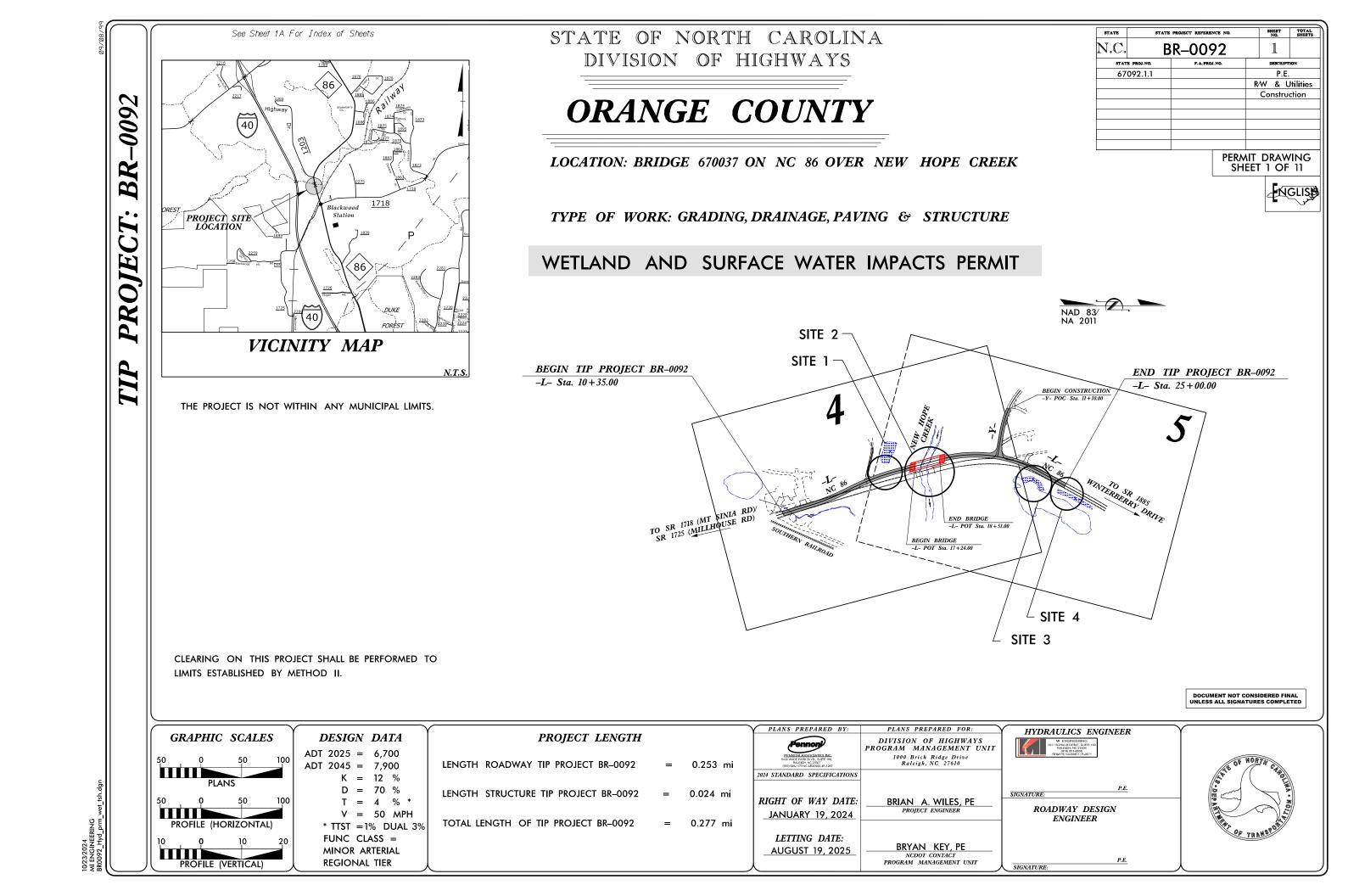
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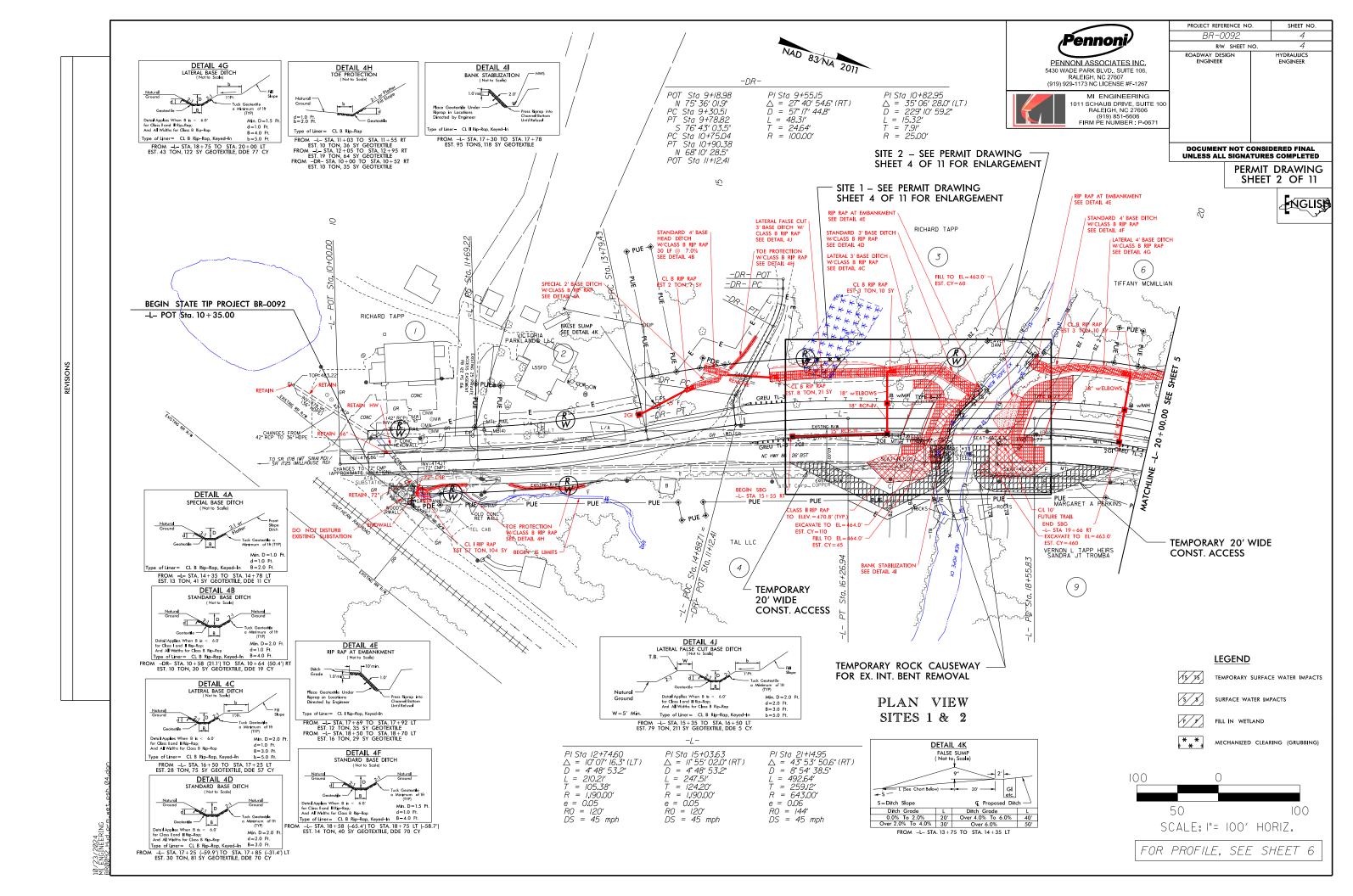
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NCDOT Contact:		Bryan Key, PE				Contractor / Desig			ering, PLLC	
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		Greensboro, 27415-	A996 (Mailing)					Raleigh, N	NC 27606	
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		bckey@ncdot.gov							mi-engineers.com	
City/Town:			near Ch	apel Hill		County(ies):	Orar			
River Basin(s):		Cape Fe				CAMA County?	N	<u>с</u> С		
Wetlands within Proj	ject Limits?	Yes								
				_	Project Des					
Project Length (lin. n	niles or feet):	0.28		Surrounding	g Land Use:	Woods, Wetlands,	Railroad, Rura	l Business	& Residential	
				Proposed Proj					Existing	
Project Built-Upon A		<u></u>	1.4		ac.			1.0		
Typical Cross Sectio		2-lane undivided highway, with 12' lanes and 8' open shoulders, 13' guardrail. 4' paved shoulder leading to shoulder berm gutter (SBG)							ay, with 10' lanes and gin project to super o	
		each direction (East							nd to end project.	elevation along
		super elevation along the south approach, across bridge, and to end					U	0.7		
Annual Avg Daily Tra	affic (veh/hr/day):	Design/Future:		7900	Year	2045	Existing:		6700	
General Proje	ct Narrative:	SA: Roadway Runol	f on South Sid	e (Begin) Project	limits to -L- 10+7	5 is sheet flow via gra	ass shoulder a	nd side slo	pes which drains to t	the existing 66"
(Description of Mini	imization of Water	channel that run to l	JT to New Hop	e Creek. NC-SE	LDM Catalog rec	ommended use of M	inimum Storm	vater Conti	rol Measures.	-
Quality In	npacts)	CP: Dropood Bridg	a ia 1 anan (16	21271) E 4" Florida	Been with 4.0	End Pont Cono. Slov	ning chutmont	a aat baak	minimum 10' from N	au Hono Crook
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						by roadside ditches		v Hope Cre	eek. Rip Rap lined di	tches are utilize
		shear stress. NC-S	ELDM Catalog	DM Catalog recommended no Stormwater Control Measures needed.						
		SB: Roadway Runof	f along -Y- is c	collected into road	Iside ditches that	run to -L- line both si	des. Left side	ditches dra	in to 24" cross pipe (underneath -Y
						ek. NC-SELDM Cata				
		PA: Roadway Runoff on North Side (End) Project limits along -L- is collected by roadside ditches West Side that drain to an 18" cross pipe underneath								
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			spersing into ex		olde.					
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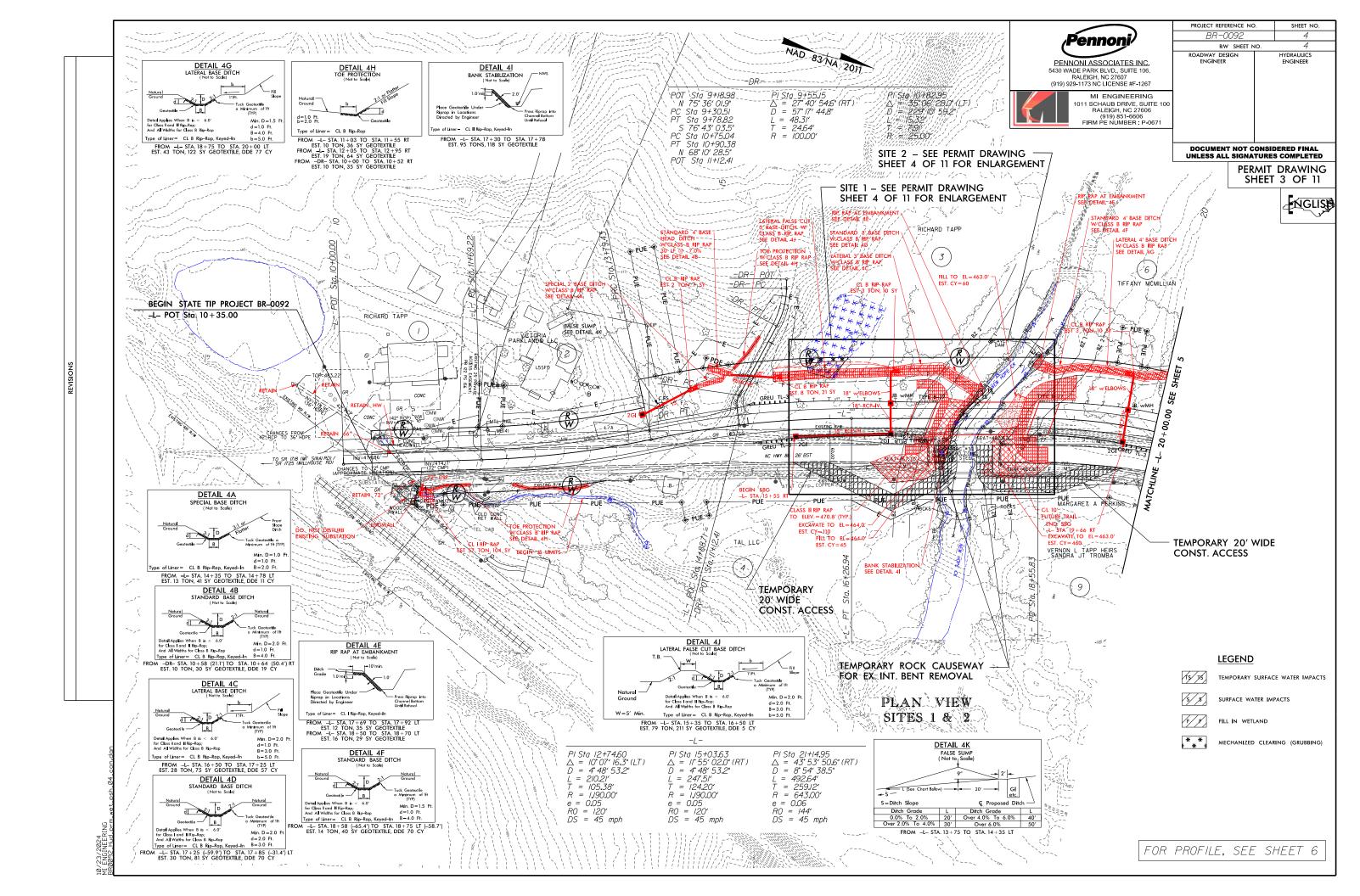
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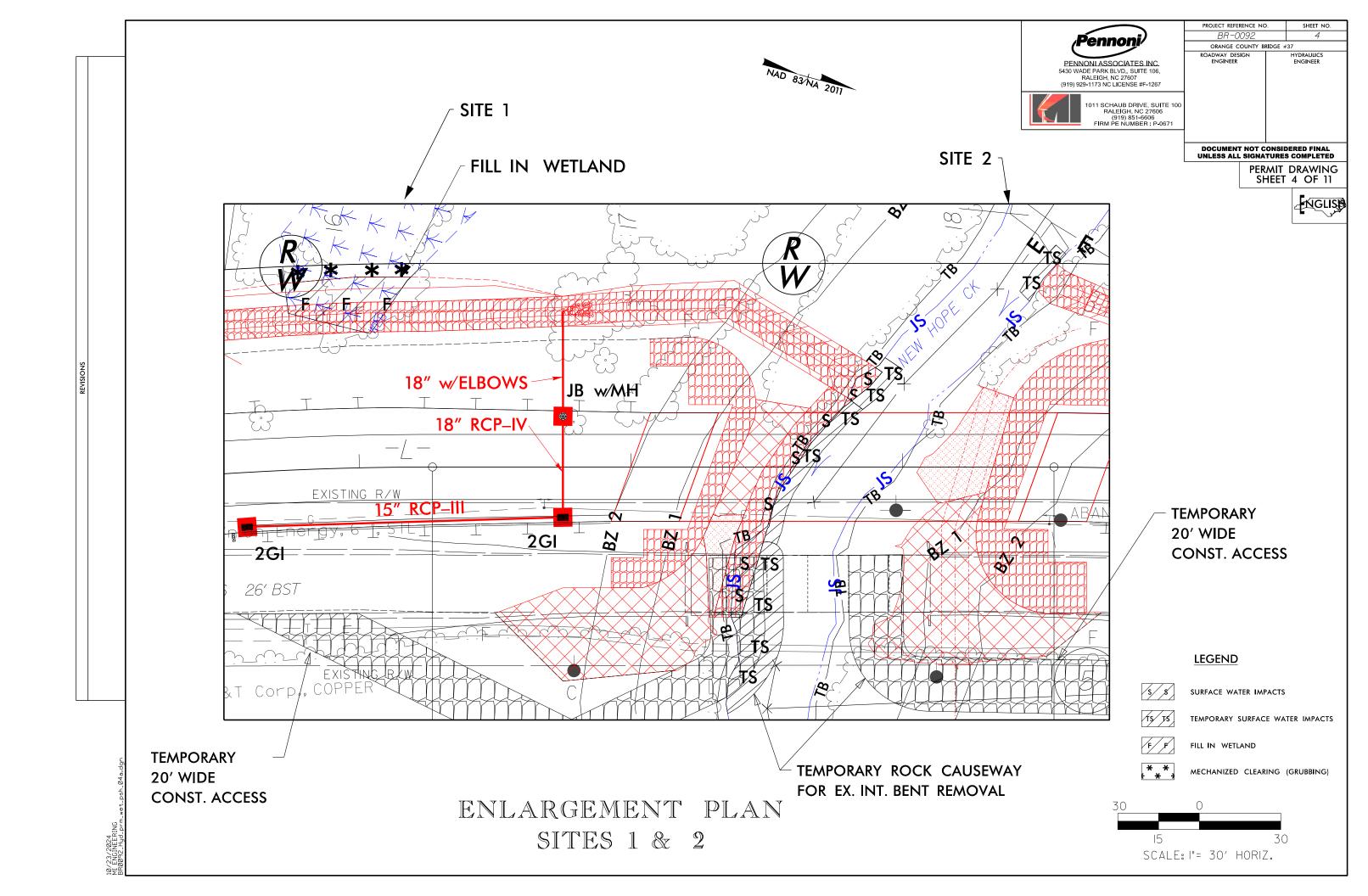
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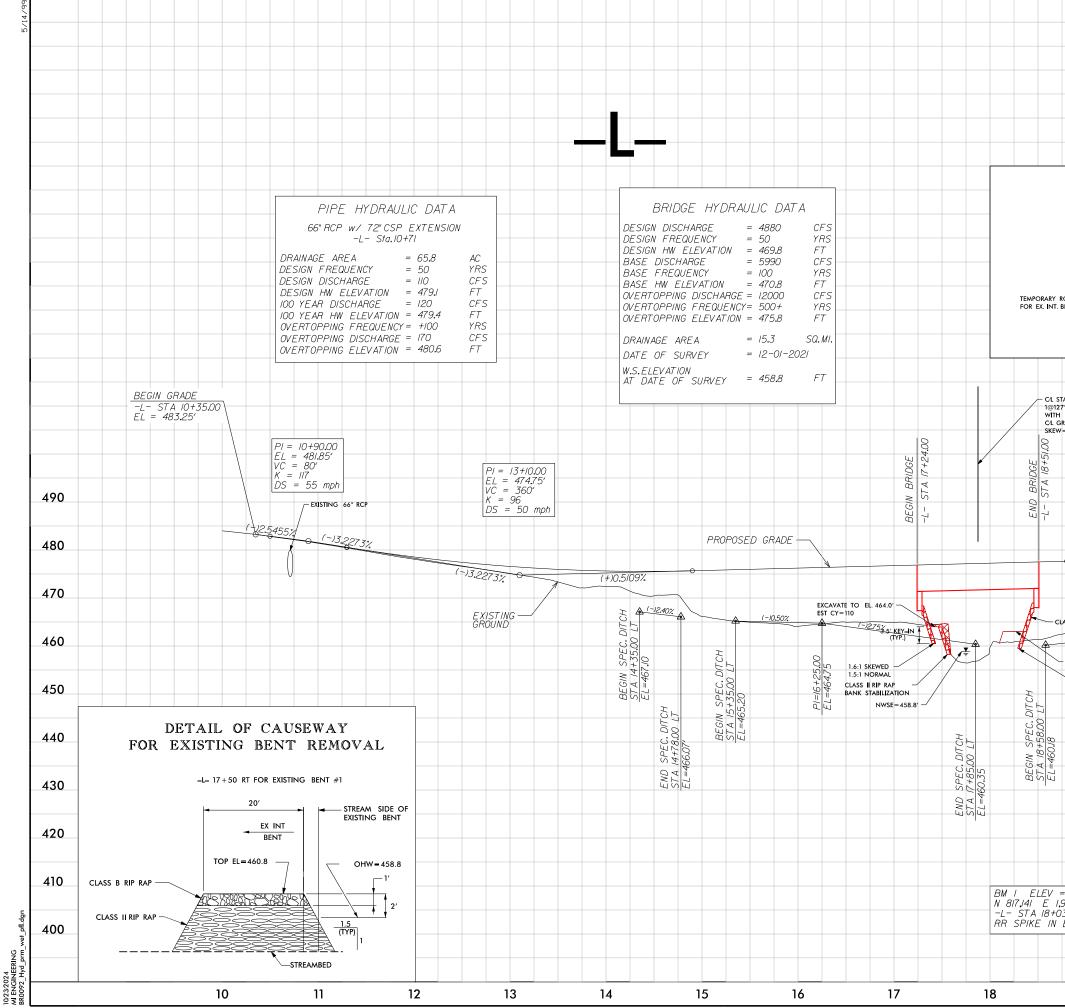
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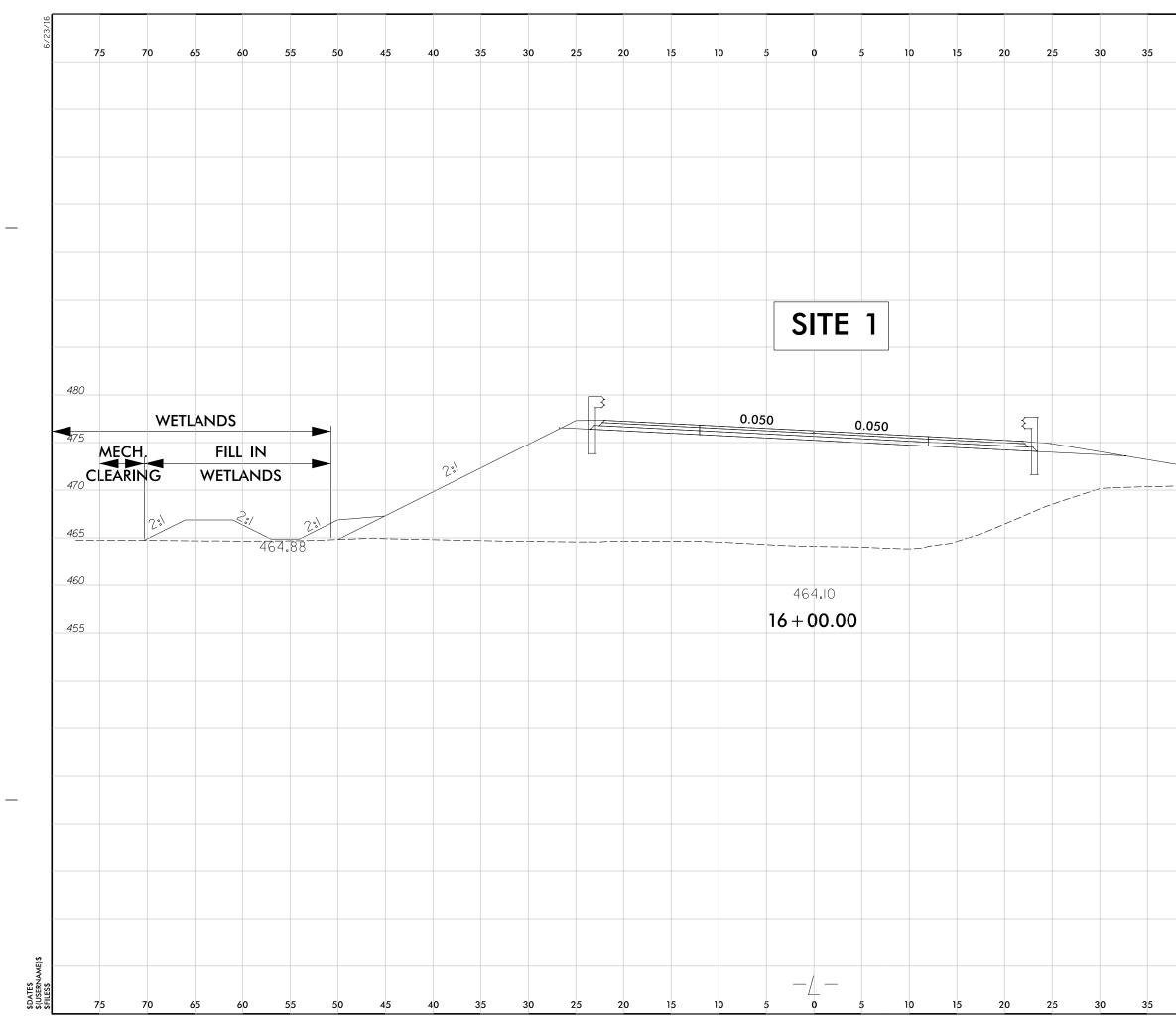






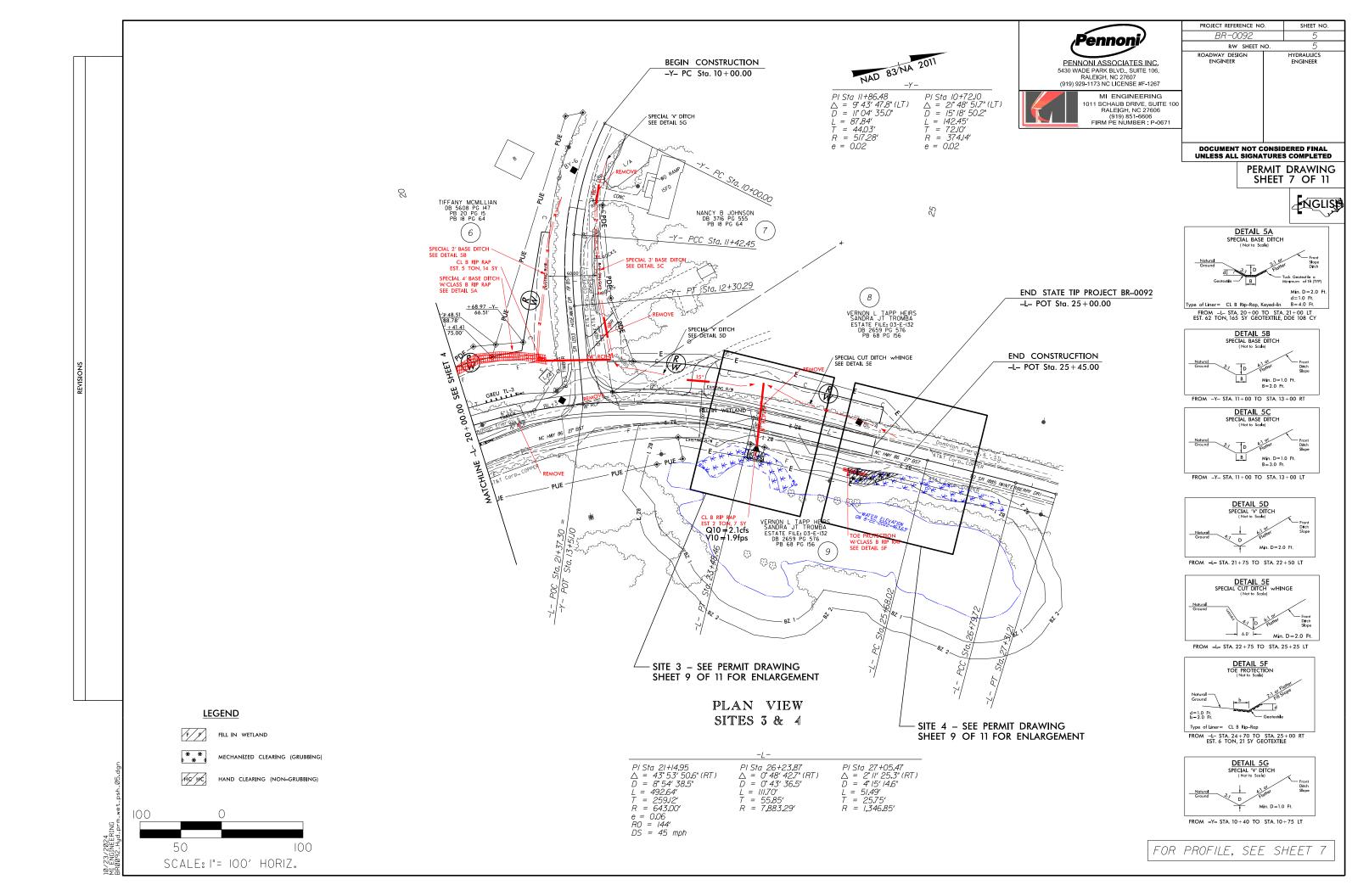


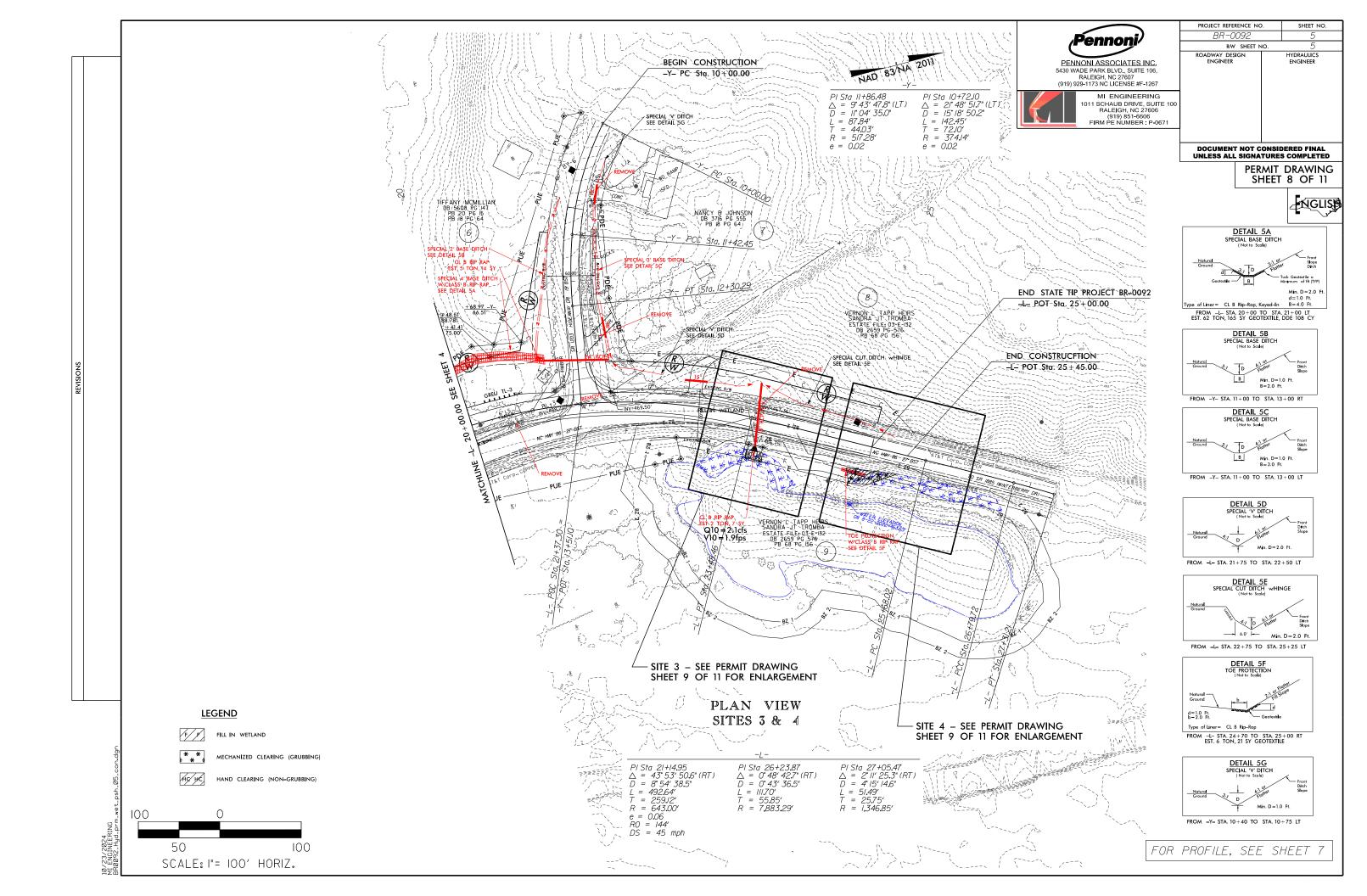
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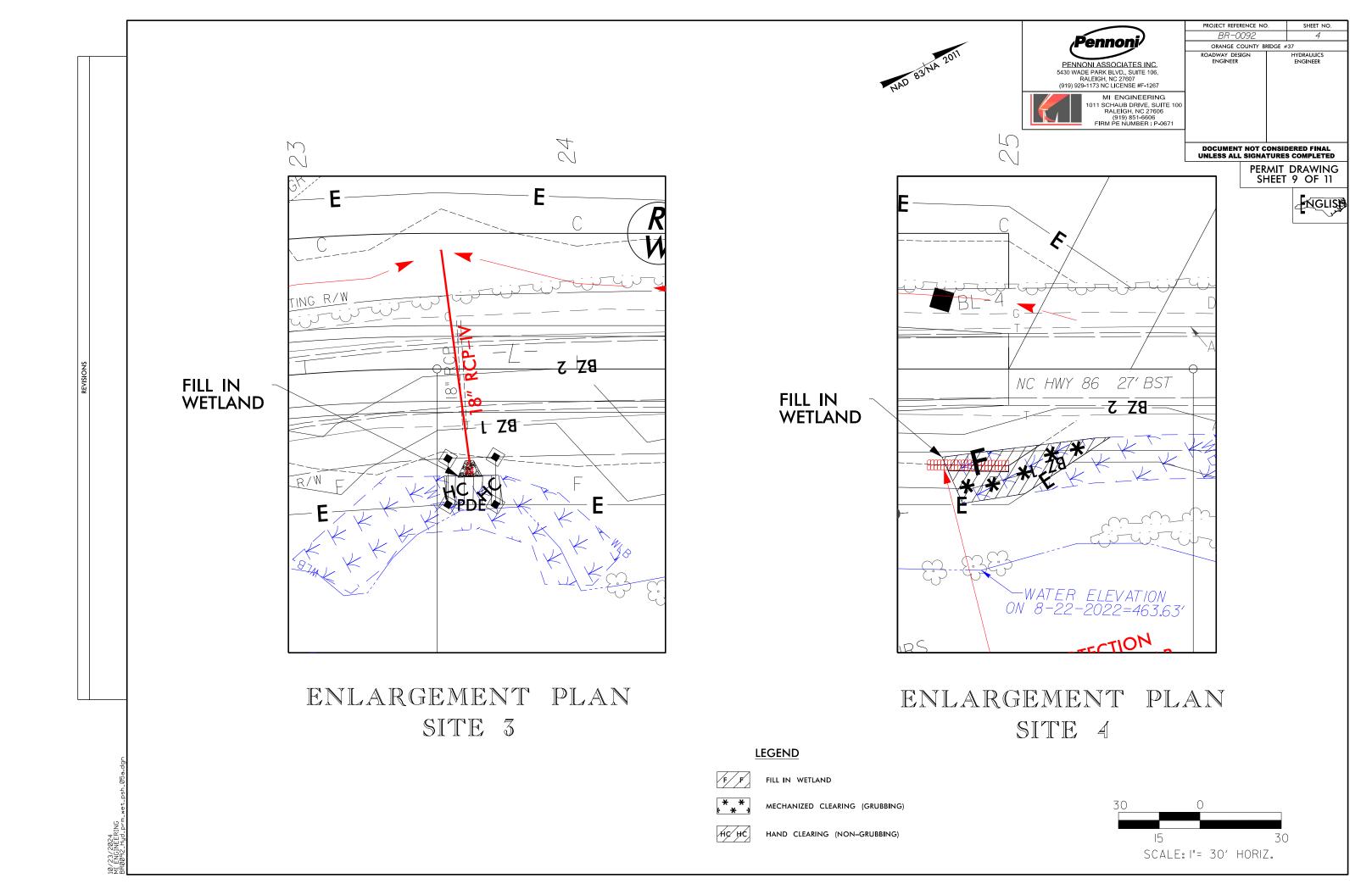


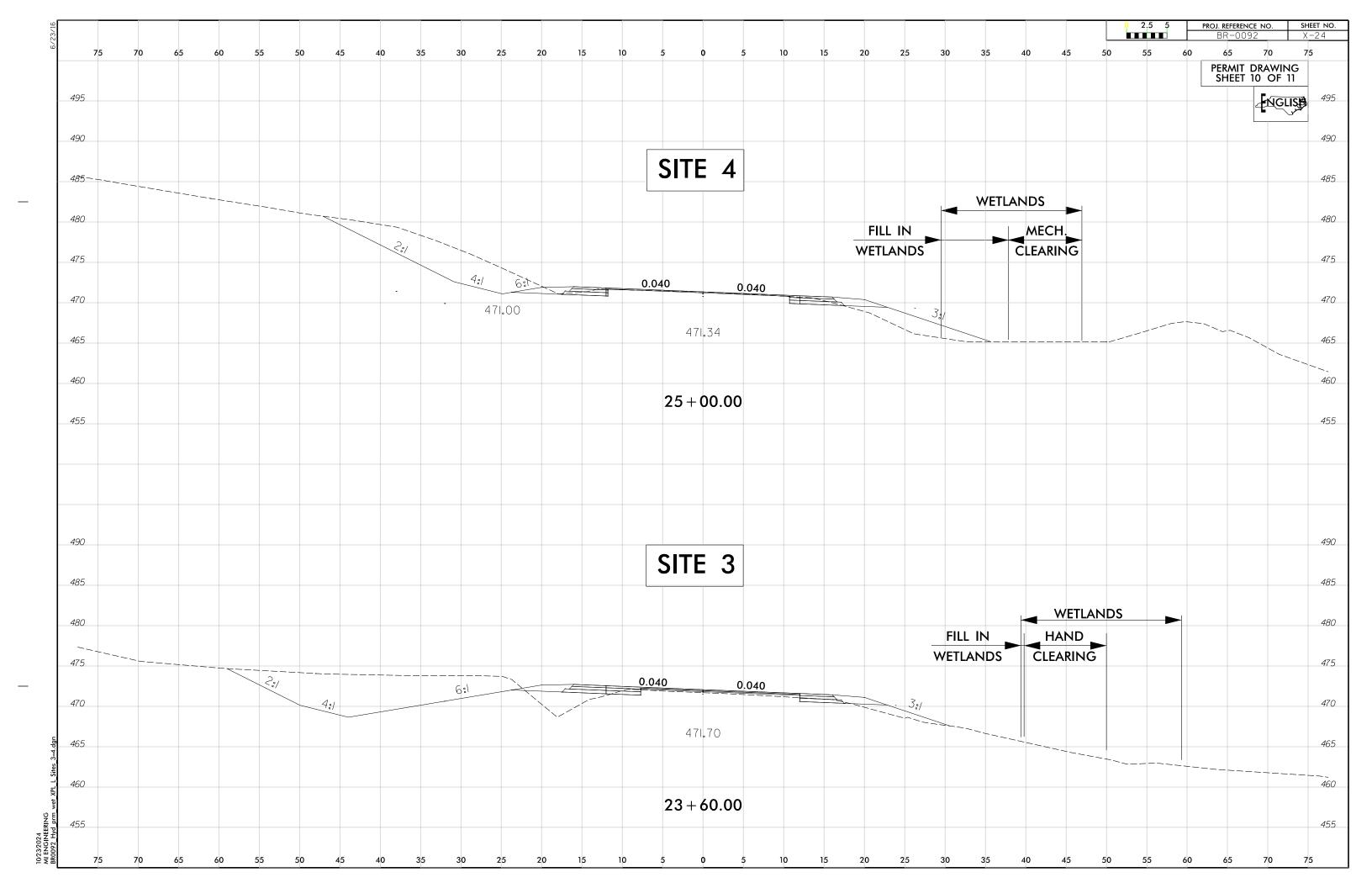
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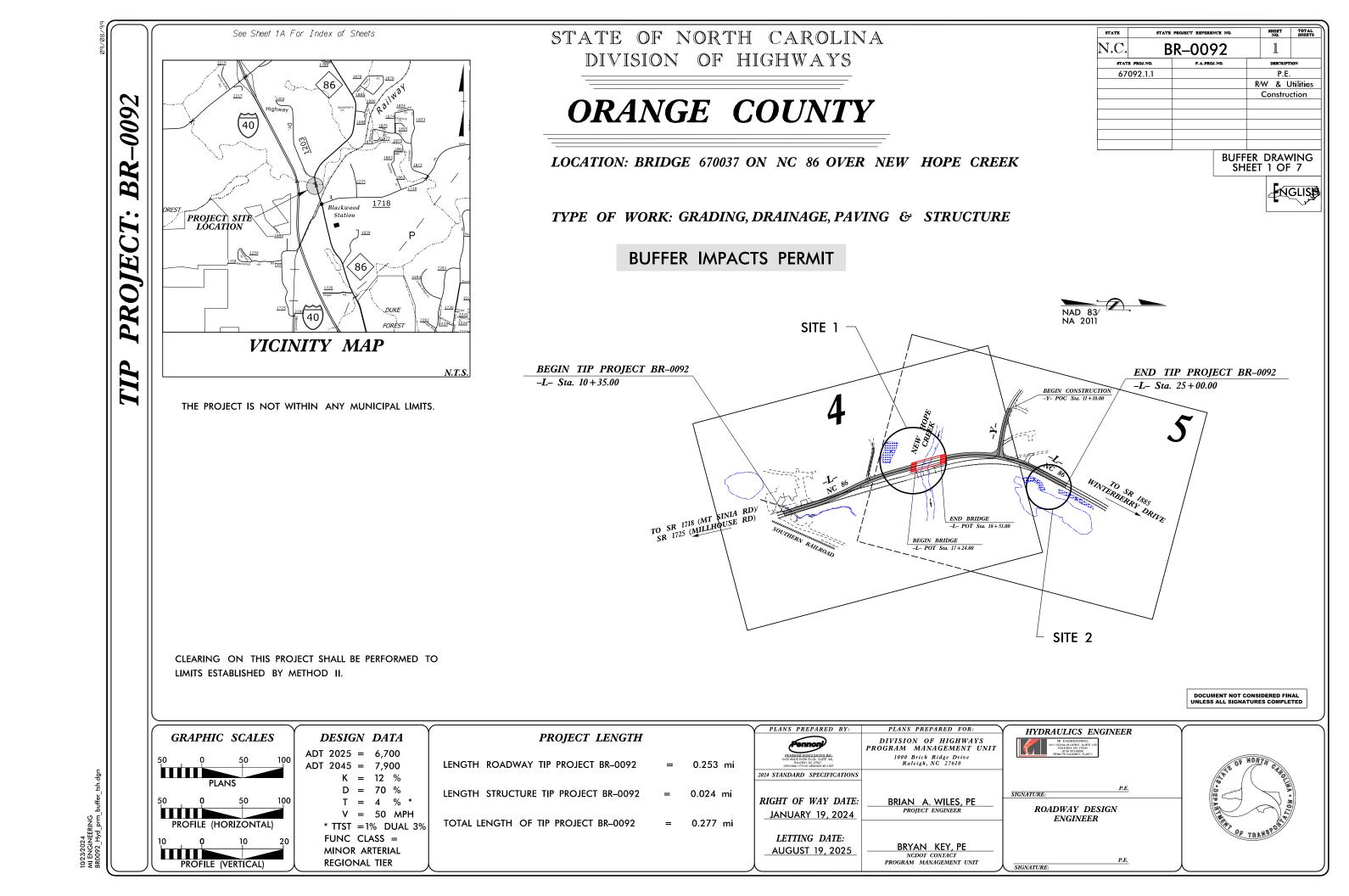
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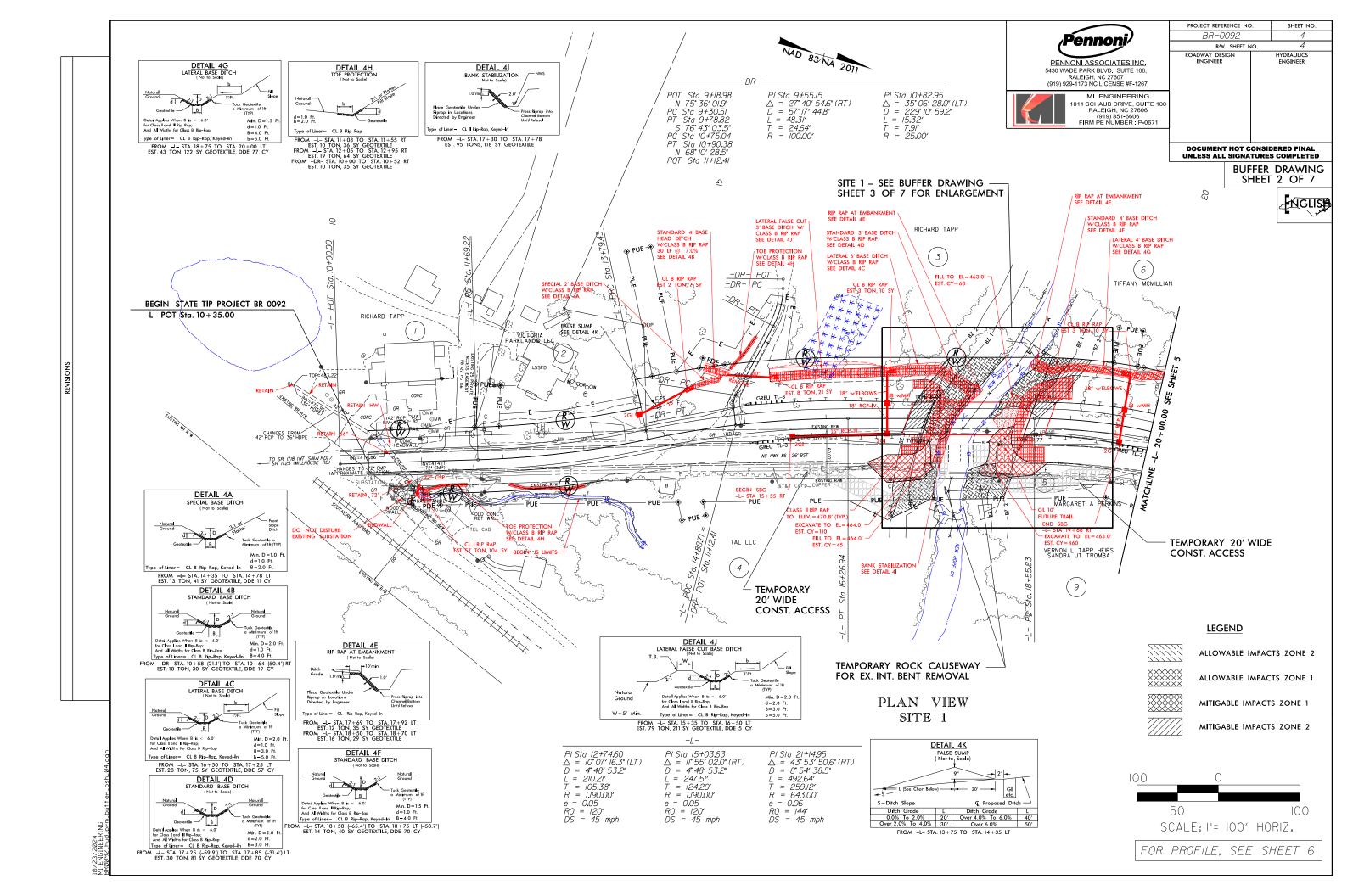
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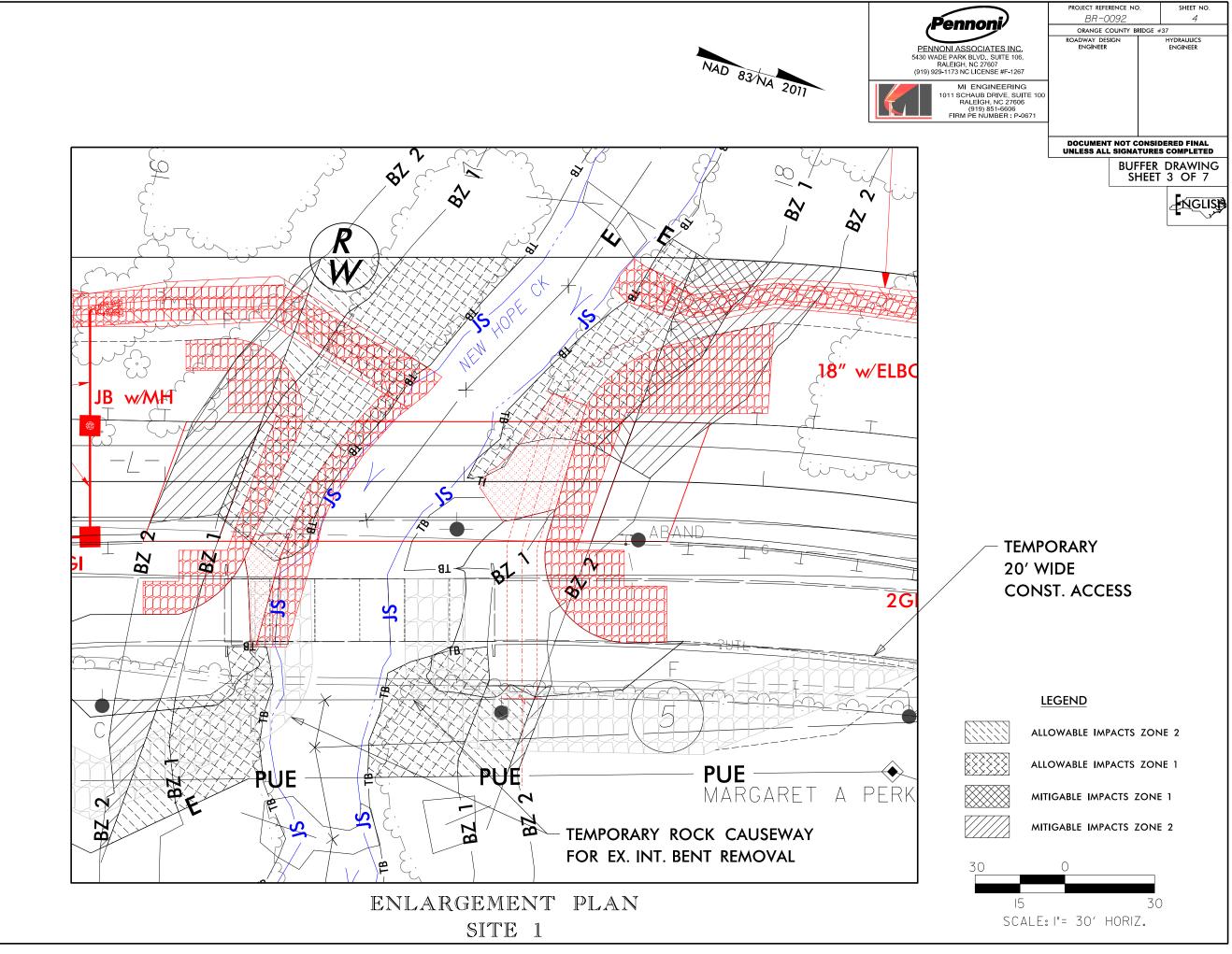
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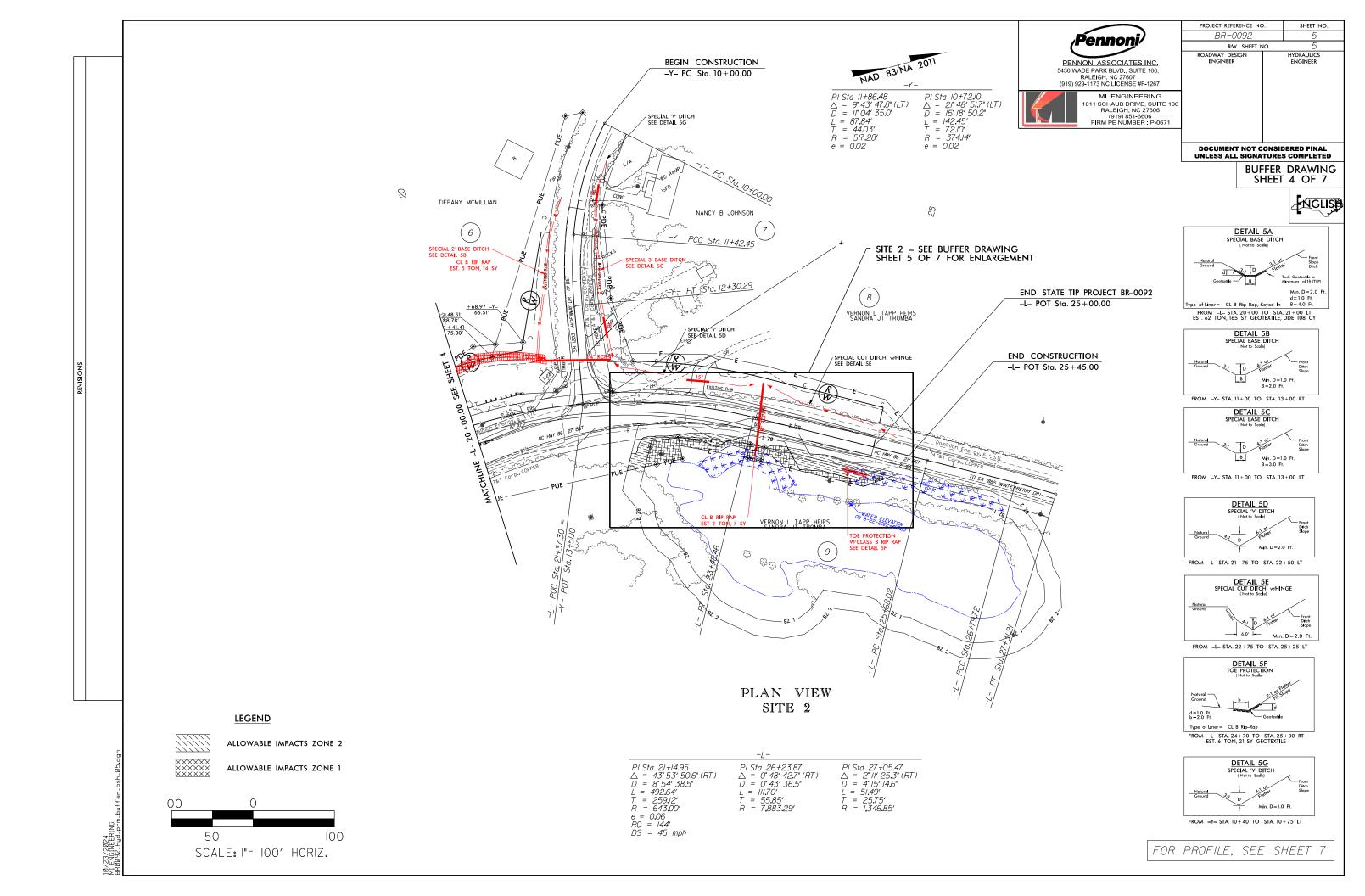


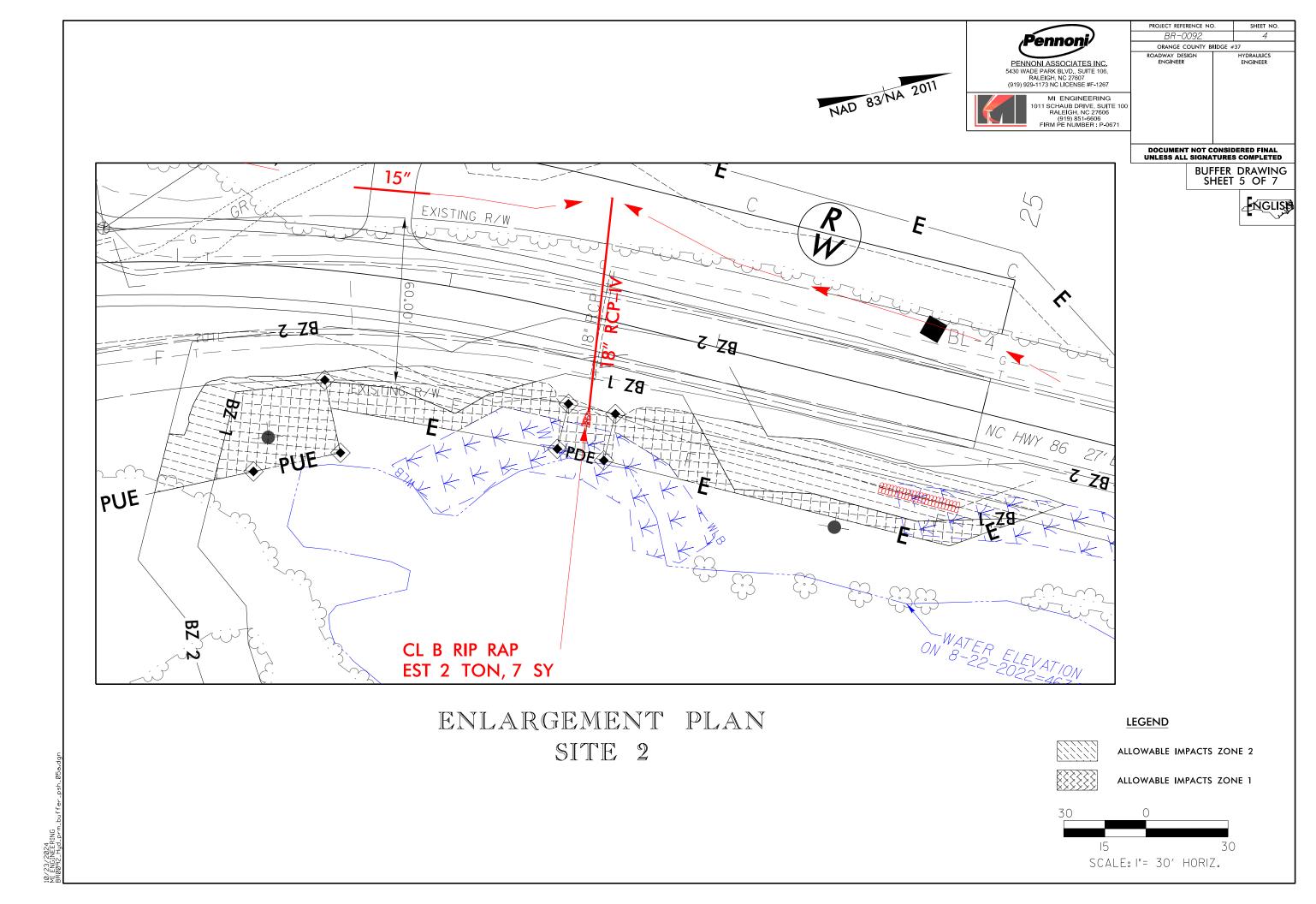






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1	18+14 TO 19+19 LT.	(NW Quad)	Х						738	1728	2466		
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Mitigation

JOSH STEIN Governor D. REID WILSON Secretary MARC RECKTENWALD Director



January 22, 2025

Mr. Jamie Lancaster, P.E. Environmental Analysis Unit North Carolina Department of Transportation 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1598

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

Mitigation Acceptance Letter: **TIP BR-0092**, Replace Bridge 670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek, Orange County

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Division of Mitigation Services (DMS) will provide the mitigation for the subject project. Based on the information supplied by you on January 21, 2025, the impacts are located in CU 03030002 of the Cape Fear River basin as follows:

Stream			Stream		Wetlands			
and Wetlands	Service Area	Cold	Cool	Warm	Riparian	Non- Riparian	Coastal Marsh	
Impacts	Cape Fear 03030002	0	0	15.000	0.048	0	0	

*Some of the impacts may be proposed to be mitigated at various ratios. See permit application for details. DMS will provide the amount of stream and wetland mitigation included in the environmental permits.

All buffer mitigation requests and approvals are administrated through the Riparian Restoration Buffer Fund. The NCDOT will be responsible to ensure that appropriate compensation for the buffer mitigation will be provided in the agreed upon method of fund transfer. Upon receipt of the NCDWR's Buffer Authorization Certification, DMS will transfer funds from the NCDOT Fund into the Riparian Restoration Buffer Fund. Upon completion of transfer payment, NCDOT will have completed its riparian buffer mitigation responsibility for TIP BR-0092. Subsequently, DMS will conduct a review of current NCDOT ILF Program mitigation projects in the river basin to determine if available buffer mitigation credits exist. If there are buffer mitigation credits available, then the Riparian Restoration Buffer Fund will purchase the appropriate amount of buffer mitigation credits from NCDOT ILF Program.



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Subject:

Mr. Lancaster January 22, 2025 Page Two NCDOT TIP BR-0092

Buffer	Service Area	Buffer Impacts				
		Zone 1	Zone 2	TOTAL		
Impacts	Cape Fear Jordan Upper New Hope Arm	798.000	3,647.000	4,445.000		

The impacts and associated mitigation needs were not projected by the NCDOT in the 2024 impact data. NCDEQ – DMS will commit to implement sufficient compensatory mitigation credits to offset the impacts associated with this project as determined by the regulatory agencies in accordance with the In-Lieu Fee Instrument dated July 28, 2010. If the above referenced impact amounts are revised, then this mitigation acceptance letter will no longer be valid and a new mitigation acceptance letter will be required from NCDEQ – DMS.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Beth Harmon at 919-707-8420.

Sincerely,

Clizabeth Harmon

Elizabeth A. Harmon DMS NCDOT ILF Coordinator

cc: Mr. Scott Jones, USACE Ms. Kristie Carpenter, NCDWR Mr. Brad Chilton, NCDOT – EAU File: BR-0092



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Protected Species/ Section 7

Environmental Analysis Requisition Request

Requisition Number:

ENVA-988

Title:

BR-0092 Payment to NCWRC Aquatic Species Fund

County: Orange

Office Location:

Cost Estimate: \$25,000.00

Method of Contract: Requisition/PO/Non-PO

Funding Type: Preliminary Eng

ReqID:

Requisition Description:

Payment to the NCWRC NCASF for BR-0092 - Replacement of Bridge 670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek

Justification:

Payment to the NCWRC NCASF per the Eastern Mussel PBO and Interagency Agreement (8101) for BR-0092 to keep NCDOT in compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

Estimated Let Date:

Estimated Completion Date:

Revision Description:

Created:

Jamie J. Lancaster on 04-Oct-2024

Unit Approval:

Jamie J. Lancaster approved on 04-Oct-2024 with these comments: Please make sure Project Manager is aware of cost and that appropriate funds are in project WBS element

Review History:

- Reviewed by: Jamie J. Lancaster
- Review Date: 04-Oct-2024
- Review Comments: Approving Unit Approved



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS Secretary

October 15, 2024

Chief Financial Officer North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission 1721 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1721

SUBJECT: Contribution Verification Letter for Eastern Mussels on NCDOT Projects BR-0092, BP5.R108.3, BP5.R100.3 and 4B.105111 Under Interagency Agreement (8101) in the Second Quarter of 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.

Mr. Cottle,

NCDOT has contributed to the North Carolina Non-Game Aquatic Species Fund (NCNASF) using the Interagency Agreement (8101) in the amount of \$100,000 for NCDOT projects: BR-0092, BP5.R108.3, BP5.R100.3 and 4B.105111. Project details including species affected, and amount of contribution per project are provided below.

Table of NCDOT Project Details

Lat/Long	County	Stream Name	10 Digit HUC	Project ID	Structure Number	Road Number (Name)	Species Affected	Amount
35.995033 <i>,</i> -79.072516	Orange	New Hope Creek	0303000206	BR-0092	670037	NC 86	AP	25,000
35.837534, -78.360038	Wake	Little River	0302020115	BP5.R108.3	910180	SR 2320 (Riley Hill Rd.)	AP, DWM,YL,GF*	25,000
36.264365, -78.519597	Granville	Tabb's Creek	0302010102	BP5.R100.3	380012	SR 1609 (Ed Harris Rd)	AP, DWM, YL	25,000
35.734647, -78.282602	Johnston	Little River	0302020115	4B.105111	500023	NC 231	AP, DWM, YL, GF*	25,000
Total Contribution using Interagency Agreement (8101) and NCDOT Function Area 2PB1 \$100,0					\$100,000			

Species Abbreviations: Atlantic Pigtoe (AP), Dwarf Wedgemussel (DWM), and Yellow Lance (YL). Coordination to add Green Floater (GF*) is in progress.

Telephone: (919) 707-6000 Fax: (919) 250-4224 Customer Service: 1-877-368-4968

Location: 1000 BIRCH RIDGE DRIVE RALEIGH, NC 27610

Website: ncdot.gov

Subject NCDOT Projects BR-0092, BP5.R108.3, BP5.R100.3 and 4B.105111.

The updated table of completed NCDOT contributions for Eastern Mussels will be posted by the end of current fiscal year quarter.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (919) 707-6120 or jgray@ncdot.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Jand Grag0/15/2024 -D0AE171EC6754AB...

Jared Gray

By the electronic signatures below, NCWRC acknowledges the contribution of \$100,000 has been received and credited to the NCNASF, for the subject NCDOT project(s).

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93CC6D8AA93047C Shauna Glover	Date
Signed by: Shannon Deaton	10/21/2024
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Archaeology



N O ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

This form only pertains to ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES for this project. It is not valid for Historic Architecture and Landscapes. You must consult separately with the Historic Architecture and Landscapes Team.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	BR-0092		County:	Orange	
WBS No:	67092.1.1		Document:	State MCC	
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Project Description:

The project calls for the replacement of Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over the New Hope Creek in Orange County (TIP BR-0092). A "No archaeological Survey Required" form was originally submitted on October 9, 2018. The APE has since expanded in the northern half of the project area. The former PA form is now invalid and replaced by the current form. The revised archaeological Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project is defined as an approximately 1,700-foot (518.16 m) long corridor running 950 feet (289.56 m) north and 750 feet (228.60m) south from the center of the bridge. The APE corridor is approximately 400 feet (121.92 m) wide extending 200 feet (60.96 m) from either side of the centerline. The APE also extends 400 feet (121.92 m) along SR 1203 (Hideaway Road) from its intersection with NC 86. This extension is approximately 160 feet (48.77 m) wide extending 80 feet (24.38 m) from either side of the centerline.

Although this project is state funded, federal permits are anticipated. Therefore, this archaeological review was conducted pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance (36 CFR Part 800).

SUMMARY OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

Brief description of review activities, results of review, and conclusions:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project is located north of Chapel Hill and south of Hillsborough in Orange County, North Carolina. The project area is plotted at the northern edge of the Chapel Hill USGS 7.5' topographic quadrangle (Figure 1).

A site file search was first conducted by Casey Kirby at the Office of State Archaeology (OSA) on September 17, 2018. This review identified no previously recorded archaeological sites with the project limits, but nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683) are found within a mile of bridge. An updated file search for carried out on October 15, 2021. No new sites have been recorded in region. According to the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) online data base (HPOWEB 2021), no National Register eligible or listed historic architectural resources are within the APE. However, the project is within the Blackwood Station Historic District (OR 487), which is only a Surveyed Area consisting of an early 1900s community. All the structures (OR 3174–3178) within the district are recorded as Surveyed Only and are not likely to yield intact and significant archaeological deposits. Furthermore, New Hope Market (OR 3174) and the former Allen and Son Barbecue restaurant (OR 3178) are surrounded by pavement and gravel. Topographic maps, USDA soil survey maps, aerial photographs (NC One Map), and historic maps (North Carolina maps website) were further examined for information on environmental and cultural variables that may have contributed to prehistoric or historic settlement within the project limits and to assess the level of ground disturbance.



Project Tracking No. 18-09-0065 Revised Bridge 37 and NC 86 cross New Hope Creek north to south (Figure 2). New Hope drains east and is part of the Cape Fear drainage basin. The project area resides along the New Hope floodplain and the adjacent eroded hillsides. The area appears minimal disturbed, but a buried sewer line runs along the westside of the road. Ground disturbance from its recent construction was widespread. The property east of the road is ponded or saturated with water with disturbance from the railway at the southern end. Ground disturbance from the former service station (currently the New Hope Market/restaurant) and residential property are present to the southwest. Property surrounding the service station is a mix of pavement and gravel.

The USDA soil survey map for the county identifies four soil types including Chewacla loam (Ch), Enon loam (EnC), Georgeville silt loam (GeC), and Herndon silt loam (HrC) (USDA NRCS 2018) (see Figure 2). Chewacla loam makes up the entire floodplain. This series is nearly level and somewhat poorly drained. It is also subject to frequent flooding. No significant archaeological sites will be encountered on this series due to persistent wetness. The remaining three series compose the hillsides. These are well drained soils with slope of less than 12 percent. Although they are typically tested for archaeological sites, the soils within the APE have been affected by ground disturbing activities including soil erosion. Significant resources are not expected.

Several archaeological investigations have been carried out in the vicinity of the current project, which have resulted in the identification of nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683). All of these sites are prehistoric in origin and have yet to be assessed for the National Register. Additional sites are probable in the region, but the current APE is not likely to yield positive results due to disturbance from the sewer line and former service station west of NC 86 and wet soils to the east.

A map review was also conducted. The earliest in which the project area could be placed was the 1891 *Map* of Orange County by George Tate and Theophilus Moore (Figure 3). This map plots the New Chapel Hill Road that would one day becomes NC 86. It depicts the railway, New Hope Creek, the Blackwood Post Office, and Robeson Station. Road traces along NC 86 suggest that the earlier road was likely west of the current road; however at the current project area, the former road ran adjacent too or beneath NC 86. A log house situated in the southeast corner of the APE may be the old Post Office, but this seems unlikely. The Post Office was probably southwest of this structure near the railroad and has since been demolition. Robeson Station is placed south of the tracks, just outside of the project limits, but no evidence of these former structures and the road are incorrectly plotted. Regardless, significant archaeological deposits associated with these structures are not expected to be intact. The later circa 1910 *Rural Deliver Routes for Orange County* shows a more detail picture (United States Post Office ca. 1910) (Figure 4). It illustrates road following similar alignments as today with two nearby structures. The first structure west of the railway is located at the former service station (Blackwood Station), and likely represents an early version of this business. The second structure is to the east of the railway and is outside of the project limits.

Brief Explanation of why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified historic properties in the APE:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project in Orange County is not likely to impact any significant archaeological resources. This is due ground disturbance west of the road and wet soils to the east. As a result, there is a low probability for archaeological sites. No further archaeological work is recommended for this project. But if design plans change to affect subsurface areas beyond the defined APE, further archaeological consultation might be necessary.

This project falls within a North Carolina County in which the Catawba Nation have expressed an interest. We recommend that you ensure that this documentation is forwarded to the tribe using the process described in the current NCDOT Tribal Protocol and PA Procedures Manual.

18-09-0065 Revised

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

See attached: \square Map(s)

Other:

Previous Survey Info

Photos

Date

Correspondence

FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST: NO ARCHAEOLOGY SURVEY REQUIRED

November 16, 2021

C. Damon Jones NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST II

REFERENCES CITED

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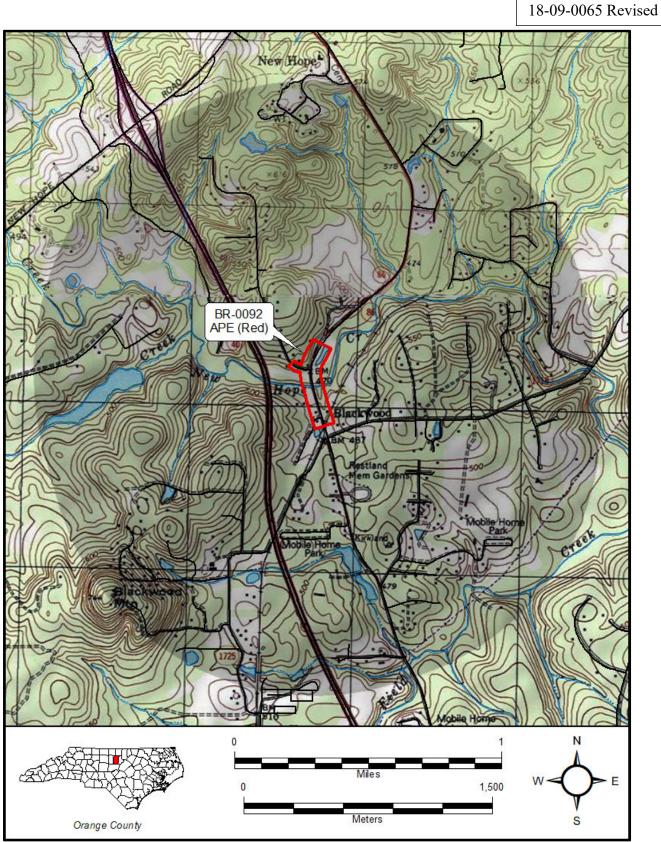
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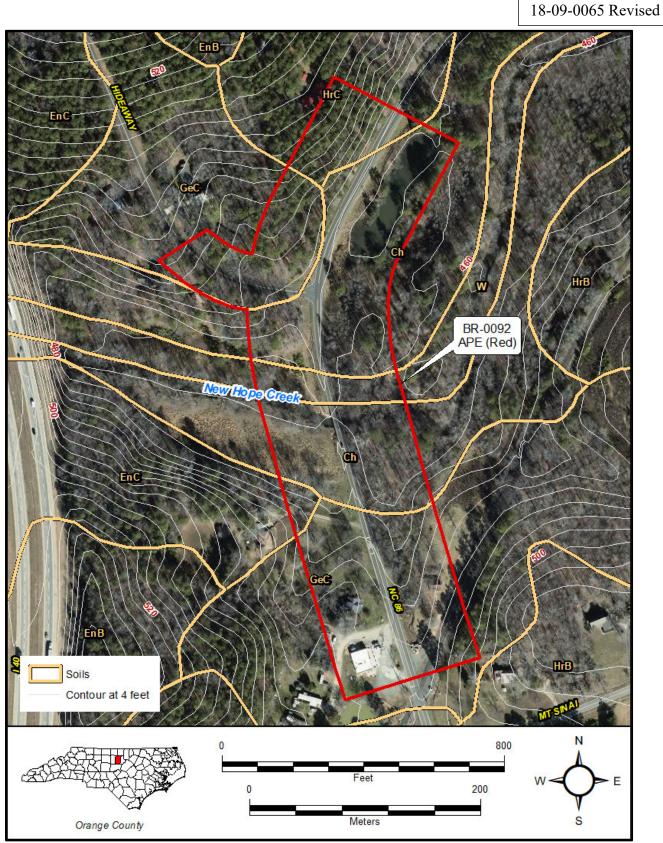
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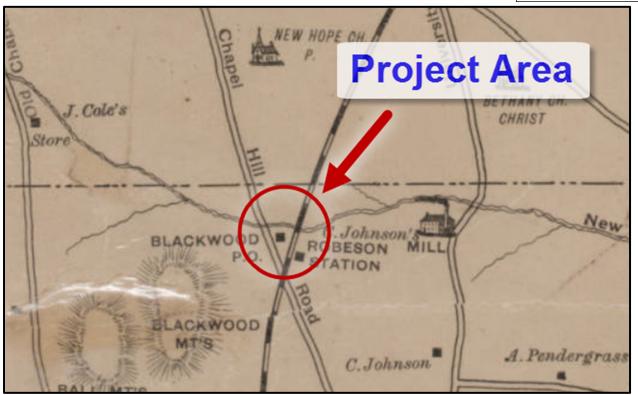


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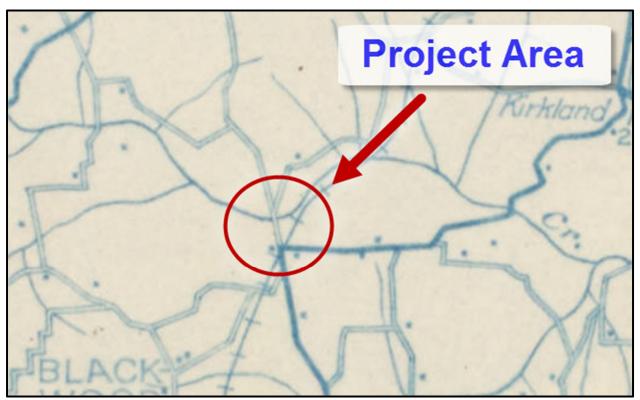


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Historic Architecture and Landscapes

18-09-0065 Updated

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES NO SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

This form only pertains to Historic Architecture and Landscapes for this project. It is not valid for Archaeological Resources. You must consult separately with the Archaeology Group.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	BR-0092	County:	Orange	
WBS No.:	67092.1.1	Document	FCE	
		Туре:		
Fed. Aid No:		Funding:	State Federal	
Federal	Yes No	Permit	USACE	
Permit(s):		Type(s):		
Project Description:				
Replace Bridge Number 37 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek.				

SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW

Description of review activities, results, and conclusions:

Review of HPOGIS web service was undertaken on November 17, 2021. This project was investigated and a No Historic Properties Present or Affected form was submitted on September 20, 2019. The project study are has been expanded and in October 2021 it was resubmitted for screening. Based on this review, there are no existing NR, DE, LL, SL or SS properties in the expanded project area. There is one structure in the expanded Area of Potential Effects (APE) which are greater than 50 years of age. The structure is a house constructed in 1971. The house does not have the architectural significance or integrity to warrant further evaluation. No Survey required.

Why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified significant historic architectural or landscape resources in the project area:

HPOGIS and County Tax Data provide reliable information regarding structures in the APE. These combined utilities are considered valid for purposes of determining the likelihood of historic resources being present.

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

Map(s)

Previous Survey Info.

Photos Correspondence

Design Plans

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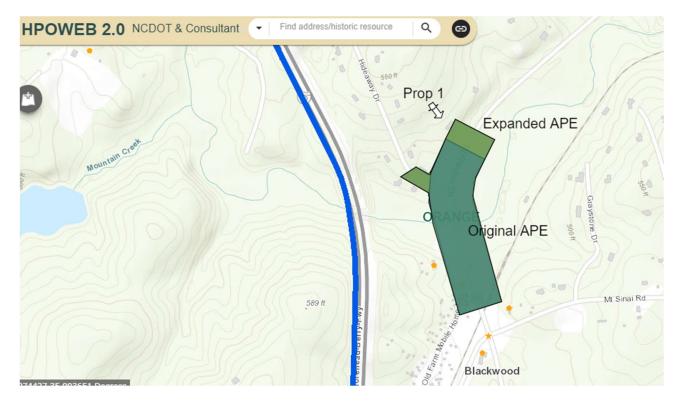
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November 17, 2021

NCDOT Architectural Historian

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Historic Architecture and Landscapes NO SURVEY REQUIRED form for Minor Transportation Projects as Qualified in the 2007 Programmatic Agreement.



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Tribal Coordination



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR J. ERIC BOYETTE Secretary

January 3, 2022

Dr. Wenonah Haire Catawba Indian Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Office 1536 Tom Steven Road Rock Hill, SC 29730

Dear Dr. Haire:

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We would appreciate any information you might have that would be helpful in evaluating potential environmental impacts of these projects. Your comments may be used in the preparation of NEPA/State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Environmental Documents.

In accordance with Section 106 of the NHPA, we also request that you inform us of any historic properties of traditional religious or cultural importance that you are aware of that may be affected by the proposed projects. Be assured that, in accordance with confidentiality and disclosure stipulations in Section 304 of the NHPA, we will maintain strict confidentiality about certain types of information regarding historic properties.

Please respond by February 11, 2022 so that your comments can be used in the scoping of the projects. If you have any questions concerning these projects, or would like any additional information, please contact me at (919) 707-6442 or by email at <u>dstutts@ncdot.gov</u>. Thank you for your assistance in this project development process.

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NCDOT Project Engineer – PEF/Program Mgt.

cc: Matt Wilkerson, NCDOT Archaeology Team Leader David Bailey, USACE Suzette Morales, FHWA



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	BR-0092		County:	Orange	
WBS No:	67092.1.1		Document:	State MCC	
Federal Aid No:	na		Funding:	State State	Federal
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Project Description:

The project calls for the replacement of Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over the New Hope Creek in Orange County (TIP BR-0092). A "No archaeological Survey Required" form was originally submitted on October 9, 2018. The APE has since expanded in the northern half of the project area. The former PA form is now invalid and replaced by the current form. The revised archaeological Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project is defined as an approximately 1,700-foot (518.16 m) long corridor running 950 feet (289.56 m) north and 750 feet (228.60m) south from the center of the bridge. The APE corridor is approximately 400 feet (121.92 m) wide extending 200 feet (60.96 m) from either side of the centerline. The APE also extends 400 feet (121.92 m) along SR 1203 (Hideaway Road) from its intersection with NC 86. This extension is approximately 160 feet (48.77 m) wide extending 80 feet (24.38 m) from either side of the centerline.

Although this project is state funded, federal permits are anticipated. Therefore, this archaeological review was conducted pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance (36 CFR Part 800).

SUMMARY OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

Brief description of review activities, results of review, and conclusions:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project is located north of Chapel Hill and south of Hillsborough in Orange County, North Carolina. The project area is plotted at the northern edge of the Chapel Hill USGS 7.5' topographic quadrangle (Figure 1).

A site file search was first conducted by Casey Kirby at the Office of State Archaeology (OSA) on September 17, 2018. This review identified no previously recorded archaeological sites with the project limits, but nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683) are found within a mile of bridge. An updated file search for carried out on October 15, 2021. No new sites have been recorded in region. According to the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) online data base (HPOWEB 2021), no National Register eligible or listed historic architectural resources are within the APE. However, the project is within the Blackwood Station Historic District (OR 487), which is only a Surveyed Area consisting of an early 1900s community. All the structures (OR 3174–3178) within the district are recorded as Surveyed Only and are not likely to yield intact and significant archaeological deposits. Furthermore, New Hope Market (OR 3174) and the former Allen and Son Barbecue restaurant (OR 3178) are surrounded by pavement and gravel. Topographic maps, USDA soil survey maps, aerial photographs (NC One Map), and historic maps (North Carolina maps website) were further examined for information on environmental and cultural variables that may have contributed to prehistoric or historic settlement within the project limits and to assess the level of ground disturbance.



Project Tracking No. 18-09-0065 Revised Bridge 37 and NC 86 cross New Hope Creek north to south (Figure 2). New Hope drains east and is part of the Cape Fear drainage basin. The project area resides along the New Hope floodplain and the adjacent eroded hillsides. The area appears minimal disturbed, but a buried sewer line runs along the westside of the road. Ground disturbance from its recent construction was widespread. The property east of the road is ponded or saturated with water with disturbance from the railway at the southern end. Ground disturbance from the former service station (currently the New Hope Market/restaurant) and residential property are present to the southwest. Property surrounding the service station is a mix of pavement and gravel.

The USDA soil survey map for the county identifies four soil types including Chewacla loam (Ch), Enon loam (EnC), Georgeville silt loam (GeC), and Herndon silt loam (HrC) (USDA NRCS 2018) (see Figure 2). Chewacla loam makes up the entire floodplain. This series is nearly level and somewhat poorly drained. It is also subject to frequent flooding. No significant archaeological sites will be encountered on this series due to persistent wetness. The remaining three series compose the hillsides. These are well drained soils with slope of less than 12 percent. Although they are typically tested for archaeological sites, the soils within the APE have been affected by ground disturbing activities including soil erosion. Significant resources are not expected.

Several archaeological investigations have been carried out in the vicinity of the current project, which have resulted in the identification of nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683). All of these sites are prehistoric in origin and have yet to be assessed for the National Register. Additional sites are probable in the region, but the current APE is not likely to yield positive results due to disturbance from the sewer line and former service station west of NC 86 and wet soils to the east.

A map review was also conducted. The earliest in which the project area could be placed was the 1891 *Map* of Orange County by George Tate and Theophilus Moore (Figure 3). This map plots the New Chapel Hill Road that would one day becomes NC 86. It depicts the railway, New Hope Creek, the Blackwood Post Office, and Robeson Station. Road traces along NC 86 suggest that the earlier road was likely west of the current road; however at the current project area, the former road ran adjacent too or beneath NC 86. A log house situated in the southeast corner of the APE may be the old Post Office, but this seems unlikely. The Post Office was probably southwest of this structure near the railroad and has since been demolition. Robeson Station is placed south of the tracks, just outside of the project limits, but no evidence of these former structures and the road are incorrectly plotted. Regardless, significant archaeological deposits associated with these structures are not expected to be intact. The later circa 1910 *Rural Deliver Routes for Orange County* shows a more detail picture (United States Post Office ca. 1910) (Figure 4). It illustrates road following similar alignments as today with two nearby structures. The first structure west of the railway is located at the former service station (Blackwood Station), and likely represents an early version of this business. The second structure is to the east of the railway and is outside of the project limits.

Brief Explanation of why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified historic properties in the APE:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project in Orange County is not likely to impact any significant archaeological resources. This is due ground disturbance west of the road and wet soils to the east. As a result, there is a low probability for archaeological sites. No further archaeological work is recommended for this project. But if design plans change to affect subsurface areas beyond the defined APE, further archaeological consultation might be necessary.

This project falls within a North Carolina County in which the Catawba Nation have expressed an interest. We recommend that you ensure that this documentation is forwarded to the tribe using the process described in the current NCDOT Tribal Protocol and PA Procedures Manual.

18-09-0065 Revised

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

See attached: \square Map(s)

Other:

Previous Survey Info

Photos

Date

Correspondence

FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST: NO ARCHAEOLOGY SURVEY REQUIRED

November 16, 2021

C. Damon Jones NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST II

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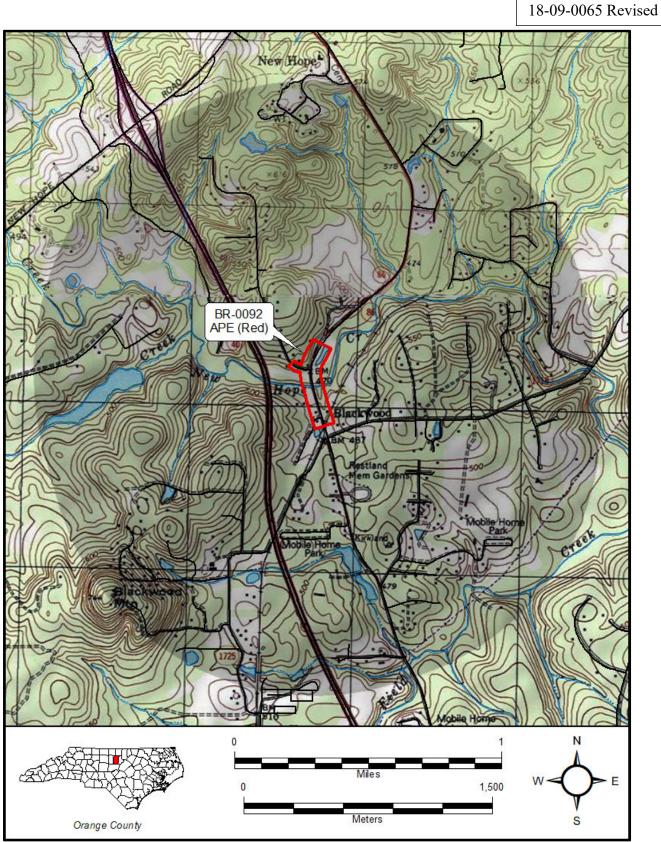
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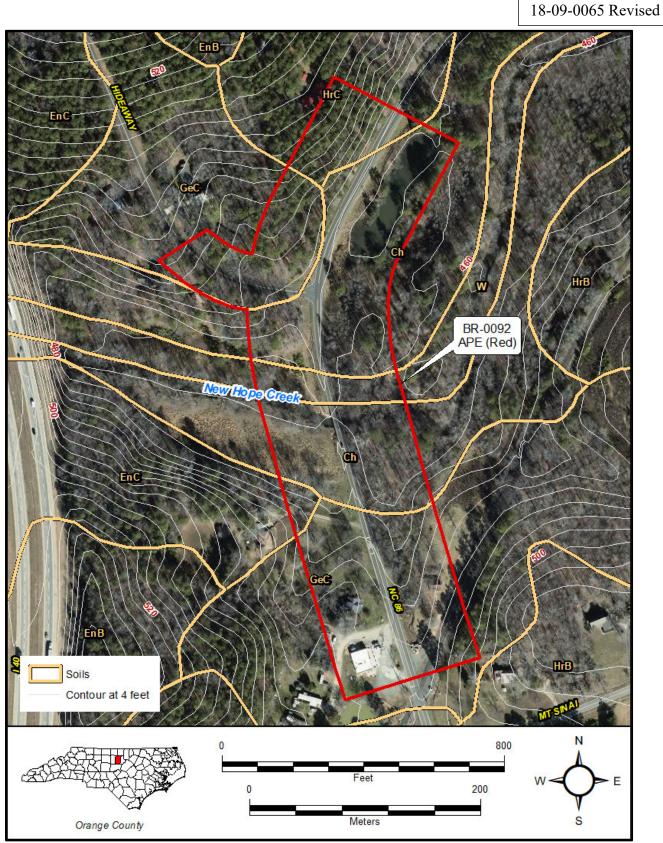
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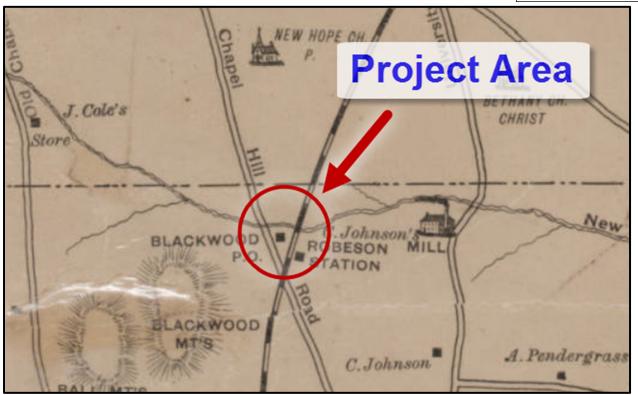


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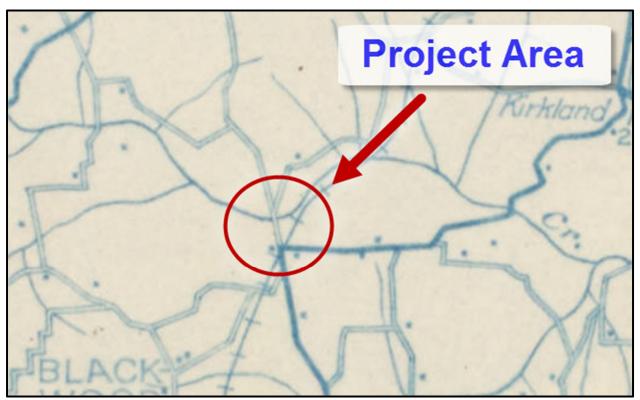
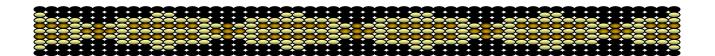


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February 2, 2022

Attention: David Stutts NC Department of Transportation 1581 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

Re. THPO #TCNS #Project Description2022-193-62STIP B-6038; STIP BR-0080; and STIP BR-0092

Dear Mr. Stutts,

The Catawba have no immediate concerns with regard to traditional cultural properties, sacred sites or Native American archaeological sites within the boundaries of the proposed project areas. However, the Catawba are to be notified if Native American artifacts and / or human remains are located during the ground disturbance phase of this project.

If you have questions please contact Caitlin Rogers at 803-328-2427 ext. 226, or e-mail Caitlin.Rogers@catawba.com.

Sincerely,

Cattle Rogers for

Wenonah G. Haire Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

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Kaleigh,

Thank you for the response. We will document this on our project sites.

Tierre Peterson, PE Team Leader - PEF Coordination Structures Management Unit

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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for contacting us regarding the proposed projects.

The Monacan Indian Nation is a federally recognized sovereign tribe, headquartered on Bear Mountain in Amherst County. Citizens of the Nation are descended from Virginia and North Carolina Eastern Siouan cultural and linguistic groups, and our ancestral territory includes Virginia west of the fall line of the rivers, sections of southeastern West Virginia, and portions of northern North Carolina. At this time, the active Monacan consultation areas include:

Virginia: Albemarle, Alleghany, Amherst, Appomattox, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Bland, Buchanan, Buckingham, Campbell, Carroll, Charlotte, Clarke, Craig, Culpepper, Cumberland, Dickenson, Floyd, Fluvanna, Franklin, Frederick, Giles, Goochland, Grayson, Greene, Halifax, Henry, Highland, Lee, Loudoun, Louisa, Madison, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Nelson, Orange, Page, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Pulaski, Rappahannock, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Russell, Scott, Shenandoah, Smyth, Tazewell, Warren, Washington, Wise, and Wythe Counties, and all contiguous cities.

West Virginia: Greenbrier, Mercer, Monroe, Pendleton, Pocahontas, and Summers Counties.

North Carolina: Alamance, Caswell, Granville, Orange, Person, Rockingham, Vance, and Warren Counties.

At this time, the Nation does not wish to actively participate in this consultation project, because:

	This project is outside our ancestral territory
Х	The project's impacts are anticipated to be minimal
	The project is more closely related to, which should be contacted to participate in consultation
	The tribal office does not currently have the capacity to participate in this project
	Other:

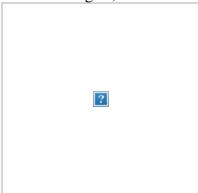
However, the Nation requests to be contacted if:

- Sites associated with native history may be impacted by this project;
- Adverse effects associated with this project are identified;
- Human remains are encountered during this project;
- Unanticipated native cultural remains are encountered during this project;
- Other tribes consulting on this project cease consultation; or
- The project size or scope becomes larger or more potentially destructive than currently described.

Please do not make any assumptions about future consultation interests based on this decision, as priorities and information may change. We request that you send any future consultation communications in electronic form to <u>Consultation@MonacanNation.com</u>. We appreciate your outreach to the Monacan Indian Nation and look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you,

Kaleigh Pollak **Program Manager** Monacan Indian Nation O: (434) 363-4864 C: (434) 473-1029 111 Highview Drive Madison Heights, VA 24572



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Subject: B-6038 & BR-0092 Tribal Letter

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached project study letter for NCDOT Projects B-6038 and BR-0092. Please let us know by February 11th if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Dustin Demery

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Type I or II Categorical Exclusion Action Classification Form

Bridge Program Project No.	BR-0092
WBS Element	67092.1.1
Federal Project No.	N/A

A. Project Description:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to replace Bridge No. 670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek in Orange County (see Figure 1: Vicinity Map). Bridge No. 670037 will be replaced on new alignment to the west of the existing bridge while traffic is maintained on the existing bridge during construction. The replacement structure will be a single-span 116-foot-long bridge, with two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulder offsets (see Appendix A). The roadway approaches along NC 86 will have two 12-foot lanes and 8-foot usable shoulders, of which four feet will be paved except in areas with guardrail, where the shoulder will be paved to a width of 8 to 10 feet. The project length is approximately 1,450 feet. The proposed project is part of NCDOT's Bridge Program. Right of way acquisition and construction are scheduled for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2026, respectively.

NC 86 is classified as a Minor Arterial with a 45 mile per hour (MPH) posted speed.

B. Description of Need and Purpose:

The purpose of the proposed project is to replace a structurally deficient bridge.

Bridge No. 670037 was built in 1951. The three-span bridge is 90 feet long with a deck width of 22 feet. The superstructure is composed of a reinforced concrete deck with steel I-beams. NCDOT Bridge Management Unit records indicate the structure currently has a sufficiency rating of 52.01 out of a possible 100 for a new structure as of March 16, 2022. The bridge is considered structurally deficient due to a superstructure rating of 4 out of 9.

Components of the bridge have experienced increasing degrees of deterioration that can no longer be addressed by maintenance activities. The replacement of the bridge will result in a safer crossing over New Hope Creek.

C. <u>Categorical Exclusion Action Classification</u>:

Type I(A) - Ground Disturbing Action

D. <u>Proposed Improvements:</u>

23 CFR 771.117

28. Bridge rehabilitation, reconstruction, or replacement or the construction of grade separation to replace existing at-grade railroad crossings, if the actions meet the constraints in 23 CCR 771.117 (e) (1-6).

E. <u>Special Project Information:</u>

Design Conditions:

Traffic:	6,550 vpd (2023), 7,800 vpd (2043)
Truck Portion:	TTST – 1%, Dual – 3%
Functional Class:	Minor Arterial
Design Speed:	50 MPH
Posted Speed:	45 MPH
Design Standards:	Regional Tier
Design Exceptions:	Not required
Construction Type:	Replace on new alignment to the west of existing, maintain traffic on site.

Bridge Demolition:

Bridge No. 670037 is constructed of concrete, timber, and steel and should be possible to remove with no resulting debris based on standard demolition practices.

Alternatives Discussion:

<u>No-Build</u> – The No-Build alternative would result in eventually closing the bridge as its condition continues to deteriorate.

<u>Rehabilitation</u> – Rehabilitation would only provide a temporary solution for this structurally deficient bridge. Bridge No. 670037 was constructed in 1951. Rehabilitation of deteriorated components of the bridge would effectively constitute replacing the bridge.

<u>Off-Site Detour</u> – A suitable off-site detour does not exist and therefore was not evaluated for this project. Additionally, NC 86 through the project area is a designated detour route for I-40 and used as a primary emergency service response route in the area.

<u>Replace on New Alignment with On-Site Detour (Selected)</u> – Bridge No. 670037 will be replaced on new alignment west of the existing bridge (see Appendix A). Traffic will be maintained on the existing bridge during construction.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations:

Based on NCDOT Bicyclist and Pedestrian Crash Map, no pedestrian or bicyclist crashes were reported within or adjacent to the project study between 2007 and 2021.

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (DCHC) Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Bicycle and Pedestrian recommendations currently propose the following in the project area:

- Improvement of the on-road NC 86 bicycle facilities to include 4-foot paved shoulders.
- A future unpaved New Hope Creek Trail from Old NC 86 (SR 1009) to Turkey Farm Road (SR 1730)

NCDOT coordinated with representatives from Orange County and the DCHC MPO in October and November 2022 to discuss bicycle and pedestrian accommodations. Orange County representatives request as much width as possible on the bridge and paved shoulders that are no less than 4 feet along the roadway in consideration of Orange County Complete Street and Vision Zero policies. County staff request as much horizontal and vertical clearance as possible beneath the bridge as well as a graded surface for a future unpaved New Hope Creek trail and for wildlife passage. In addition, DCHC MPO staff commented that the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities recommends paved shoulders wider than 4 feet based on traffic volumes, at least 5 feet of paved shoulder from the face of guardrail, and at least 42-inch-high bridge rails where bicyclists operate near the railings.

The project proposes 8-foot shoulder offsets on the new bridge and 42-inch-high bridge rails. Where guardrail is proposed along the roadway on each end of the bridge, the shoulders will be paved to a width of 8 to 10 feet. Outside of the guardrail limits, the roadway approaches include 8-foot total shoulder widths, of which 4 feet will be paved. The proposed design does not prevent future bicycle and

pedestrian improvement projects from being added within the project limits. The additional paved shoulder width in front of the guardrail should aid future maintenance, assist any current bicycle and pedestrian users, and make future projects easier to construct if the County desires to fund improvements to this corridor. The proposed bridge provides a vertical clearance of approximately 8 feet and grading on the north side of New Hope Creek for the future unpaved New Hope Creek trail that is not currently funded.

Estimated Costs:

The estimated costs of the proposed project are as follows:

Utilities	\$270,000
Right of Way	\$980,000
Construction	\$4,100,000
Total Cost	\$5,350,000

Anticipated Permit or Consultation Requirements:

A Nationwide Permit will likely be required from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for impacts to "Waters of the United States" resulting from this project. In addition, an NC Division of Water Resources (NCDWR) Section 401 Water Quality General Certification (GC) may be required. The USACE holds the final discretion as to what permit will be required to authorize project construction.

Agency Comments:

A Start of Study letter was sent to federal, state, and local agencies on November 4, 2021. Responses are summarized below:

- NCDWR New Hope Creek is class WS-V, Nutrient Sensitive Waters (NSW) of the State. NCDWR noted concerns with sediment and erosion impacts that could result from this project. It was recommended that the most protective sediment and erosion control Best Management Practices (BMPs) be implemented to reduce the risk to nutrient runoff to New Hope Creek.
- The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) noted in a memorandum dated June 12, 2019, that Bridge No. 670037 is designated as Significant Aquatic Habitat by the NC Natural Heritage Program (NHP). It was noted that NCDOT should follow the Design Standards for Sensitive Watersheds during the design and construction of the project.
- NCWRC commented that the project design should include a clear bank (riprap free) area of at least 10 feet on each side of New Hope Creek underneath the bridge.
- The Director of Orange County Emergency Services noted that NC 86 is an important emergency response route, particularly when I-40 is congested. Additionally, EMS units frequently utilize this route to be positioned for emergency response.

Cultural Resources:

There are three Native American Indian Tribes that identify Orange County as an area of interest and request notification of NCDOT's projects: Catawba Indian Nation, Monacan Indian Nation, and Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation. Per NCDOT's Tribal Coordination Protocols, NCDOT notified and requested comments from these Tribes in letters dated January 3, 2022.

The Monacan Indian Nation stated that the project's impacts are anticipated to be minimal, and the Nation does not wish to actively participate in consultation (see Appendix B). However, the Nation requests to be contacted if sites associated with native history may be impacted by this project, adverse effects are identified, human remains are encountered, unanticipated native cultural remains are encountered, other tribes consulting on this project cease consultation, or the project size or scope becomes larger or more potentially destructive than currently described.

The Catawba Indian Nation stated that there are no immediate concerns regarding traditional cultural properties, sacred sites, or Native American archaeological sites within the boundaries of the proposed project area (see Appendix B). However, they are to be notified if Native American artifacts and/or human remains are located during the ground disturbance phase of the project.

NCDOT's Cultural Resources staff indicated that archeological surveys are not required.

A review of historic architecture and landscapes for the project was initially conducted in October 2018. Historic architectural surveys for multiple properties were recommended. Six historic properties were evaluated and recommended not eligible in a report sent to the Historic Preservation Office (HPO) in July 2019. The HPO concurred with the recommendations in a letter dated August 29, 2019. Therefore, a No Historic Properties Present or Affected finding is appropriate. The project study area expanded in November 2021. Based on NCDOT's subsequent review of the updated study area and HPO's previous concurrence with NCDOT's recommendations in August 2019, no additional historic architectural surveys are required. See Appendix B for documentation referenced above.

Public Involvement:

A project newsletter was mailed on December 5, 2022 to approximately 488 property and business owners in the vicinity of the proposed project as well as other stakeholders. The newsletter informed members of the public of the proposed bridge replacement and provided project contact information. Recipients of the newsletter were invited to comment. A total of two individuals provided comments that pertained to individual property impacts and safe pedestrian access across the bridge to GoTriangle Route 420 bus stops located approximately 0.2 mile south of the bridge. NCDOT responded to the property owner who submitted comments concerning property impacts; the response included additional project information and contact details. To assist pedestrians and bicyclists crossing the project, the project proposes 8-foot shoulder offsets on the bridge, 42-inch-high bridge rails, additional pavement in front of the guardrail (8 to 10 feet total) on each side of the bridge, and 8-foot total shoulder widths (with 4 feet paved) outside of the guardrail limits.

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F. Project Impact Criteria Checklists:

F2. Ground Disturbing Actions – Type I (Appendix A) & Type II (Appendix B)

Proposed improvement(s) that fit Type I Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement, Appendix A) including 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 18, 21, 22 (ground disturbing), 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, &/or 30; &/or Type II Actions (NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement, Appendix B) answer the project impact threshold questions (below) and questions 8 – 31.

- If any question 1-7 is checked "Yes" then NCDOT certification for FHWA approval is required.
 - If any question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for those questions in Section G.

PROJECT IMPACT THRESHOLDS (FHWA signature required if any of the questions 1-7 are marked "Yes".)		Yes	No
1	Does the project require formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)?		A
2	Does the project result in impacts subject to the conditions of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA)?		$\mathbf{\overline{\mathbf{A}}}$
3	Does the project generate substantial controversy or public opposition, for any reason, following appropriate public involvement?		V
4	Does the project cause disproportionately high and adverse impacts relative to low- income and/or minority populations?		V
5	Does the project involve a residential or commercial displacement, or a substantial amount of right of way acquisition?		V
6	Does the project require an Individual Section 4(f) approval?		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
7	Does the project include adverse effects that cannot be resolved with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) or have an adverse effect on a National Historic Landmark (NHL)?		V
If any question 8-31 is checked "Yes" then additional information will be required for those questions in Section G.			
Othe	er Considerations	Yes	No
8	Is an Endangered Species Act (ESA) determination unresolved or is the project covered by a Programmatic Agreement under Section 7?	V	
9	Is the project located in anadromous fish spawning waters?		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
10	Does the project impact waters classified as Outstanding Resource Water (ORW), High Quality Water (HQW), Water Supply Watershed Critical Areas, 303(d) listed impaired water bodies, buffer rules, or Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV)?	V	
11	Does the project impact Waters of the United States in any of the designated mountain trout streams?		\mathbf{V}
12	Does the project require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Individual Section 404 Permit?		V
13	Will the project require an easement from a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licensed facility?		V

Othe	er Considerations for Type I and II Ground Disturbing Actions (continued)	Yes	No
14	Does the project include a Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) effects determination other than a No Effect, including archaeological remains?		V
15	Does the project involve GeoEnvironmental Sites of Concerns such as gas stations, dry cleaners, landfills, etc.?	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	
16	Does the project require work encroaching and adversely affecting a regulatory floodway or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 23 CFR 650 subpart A?		
17	Is the project in a Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) county and substantially affects the coastal zone and/or any Area of Environmental Concern (AEC)?		\checkmark
18	Does the project require a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) permit?		\checkmark
19	Does the project involve construction activities in, across, or adjacent to a designated Wild and Scenic River present within the project area?		\checkmark
20	Does the project involve Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) resources?		\checkmark
21	Does the project impact federal lands (e.g., U.S. Forest Service (USFS), USFWS, etc.) or Tribal Lands?		\checkmark
22	Does the project involve any changes in access control or the modification or construction of an interchange on an interstate?		\checkmark
23	Does the project have a permanent adverse effect on local traffic patterns or community cohesiveness?		\checkmark
24	Will maintenance of traffic cause substantial disruption?		\mathbf{V}
25	Is the project inconsistent with the STIP, and where applicable, the Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?		\checkmark
26	Does the project require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act, the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Tribal Lands, or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with public-use money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property?		V
27	Does the project involve Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) buyout properties under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)?		\checkmark
28	Does the project include a <i>de minimis</i> or programmatic Section 4(f)?		\mathbf{N}
29	Is the project considered a Type I under the NCDOT Noise Policy?		\checkmark
30	Is there prime or important farmland soil impacted by this project as defined by the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)?	\checkmark	
31	Are there other issues that arose during the project development process that affected the project decision?		\checkmark

G. Additional Documentation as Required from Section F:

Response to Question 8:

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) lists the Atlantic pigtoe (*Fusconaia masoni*) as a federally protected species within the study area, under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Section 7 compliance for the Atlantic pigtoe mussel has been met through the Eastern Mussel Programmatic Biological Opinion (PBO) issued by USFWS. The use of the PBO indicates the following biological conclusion: **May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect**. The Department will adhere to the PBO Methodology, Conservation Measures, Reasonable and Prudent Measures, Terms and Conditions, and Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.

On September 14, 2022, the USFWS announced a proposal to list the Tricolored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus - PESU*) as Endangered under the ESA. Given the proposal to list PESU as Federally Endangered, NCDOT and its federal partners, FHWA and USACE are initiating a conference programmatic consultation to address impacts to this species. USFWS has not provided an official effective listing date, but it is anticipated to occur in the second half of 2023. Upon listing, USFWS is expected to provide habitat descriptions and an area of influence/distribution range for PESU. When this information is provided, it will help to inform NCDOT's determinations on habitat that could be impacted by NCDOT actions.

Response to Question 10:

Streamside riparian zones within the study area are protected under provisions of the Lake Jordan Buffer Rules administered by Orange County. New Hope Creek and Pond PA are identified as features to be subject to the buffer rules. A buffer mitigation plan, including use of the North Carolina Division of Mitigation Services, must be provided to the North Carolina Division of Water Resources (NCDWR) prior to approval of the Water Quality Certification.

Response to Question 15:

There is one GeoEnvironmental site of concern with the project study area with the anticipation for low monetary and scheduling impacts resulting from the site. New Hope Market (formerly Sunrise Farmers Market) is located on the west side of NC 86 just south of Neal Tapps Road. As part of the Sunrise Farmers Market operation, petroleum contamination was discerned during the removal of five Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) in January 1995. Multiple monitoring wells were observed while on-site and the outline of the old pump island is visible. The incident is actively being monitored.

Response to Question 16:

Orange County is included in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The project is in the New Hope Creek Zone AE floodway area, for which 100-year base flood elevations are established. The NCDOT Hydraulics Unit will coordinate with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to determine if a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and a subsequent final Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) are required for the project. NCDOT Division 7 will submit sealed as-built construction plans to the Hydraulics Unit upon project completion certifying the project was built as shown on construction plans.

Response to Question 30:

Farmland soils eligible for protection under the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) are present within the project footprint. The proposed right of way may acquire approximately 0.93 acre of Farmland of Statewide Importance. None of these farmland soils are currently in agricultural use. No Voluntary Agricultural Districts are in the study area.

A preliminary screening of farmland conversion impacts in the project area has been completed (NRCS Form AD-1006 for point projects, Part VI only). The BR-0092 project site assessment does not exceed the threshold established by NRCS. Farmland conversion impacts may be anticipated, but are not considered notable, and no further action is needed.

H. Project Commitments:

NCDOT PROJECT COMMITMENTS

Bridge Program Project No. **BR-0092** Replace Bridge #670037 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek Orange County Federal Aid Project No. N/A WBS Element 67092.1.1

NCDOT Division 7

This project involves construction activities on or adjacent to FEMA-regulated stream(s). Therefore, the Division shall submit sealed As-built construction plans to the Hydraulics Unit upon completion of the structure construction, certifying that the drainage(s) and roadway embankment that are located within the 100-year floodplain were built as shown in the construction plans, both horizontally and vertically.

NCDOT Bike-Ped Design Accommodations

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (DCHC) Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Bicycle and Pedestrian recommendations propose an improvement of the on-road NC 86 bicycle facilities to include 4-foot paved shoulders and a future unpaved New Hope Creek Trail. The project proposes 8-foot shoulder offsets on the new bridge and 42-inch-high bridge rails. Where guardrail is proposed along the roadway on each end of the bridge, the shoulders will be paved to a width of 8 to 10 feet. Outside of the guardrail limits, the roadway approaches include 8-foot total shoulder widths, of which 4 feet will be paved. The proposed bridge provides a vertical clearance of approximately 8 feet and grading on the north side of New Hope Creek to accommodate a future unpaved New Hope Creek trail that is not currently funded.

NCDOT Environmental Analysis Unit

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NCDOT Roadside Environmental Unit

The project is within the Cape Fear River Basin where Jordan Lake Buffer Rules apply. Design Standards for Sensitive Watersheds will be implemented during project construction.

I. Categorical Exclusion Approval:

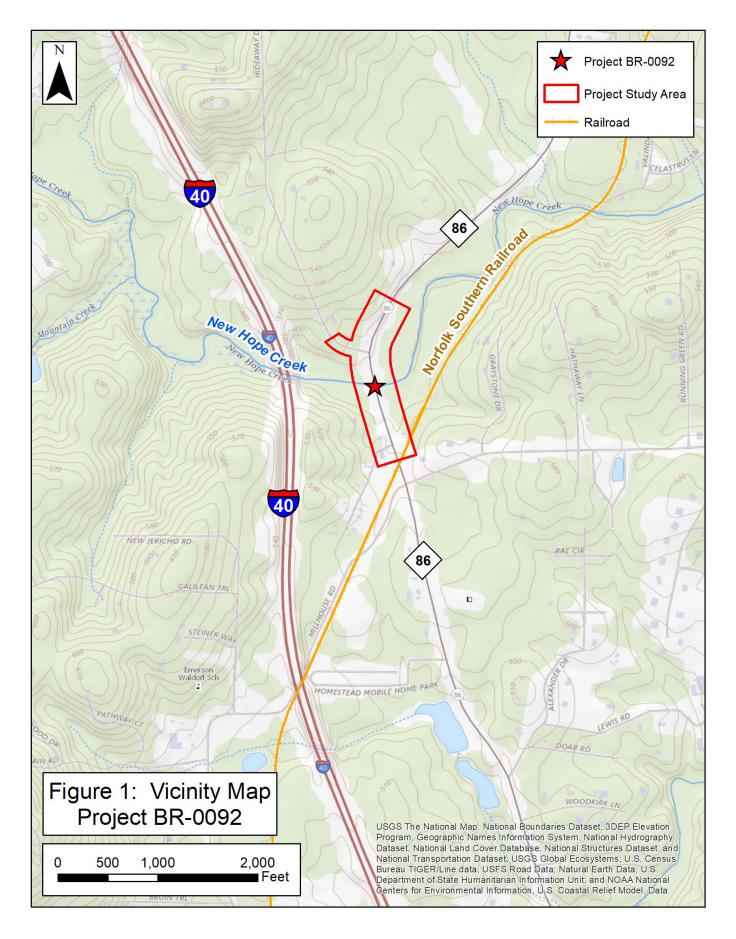
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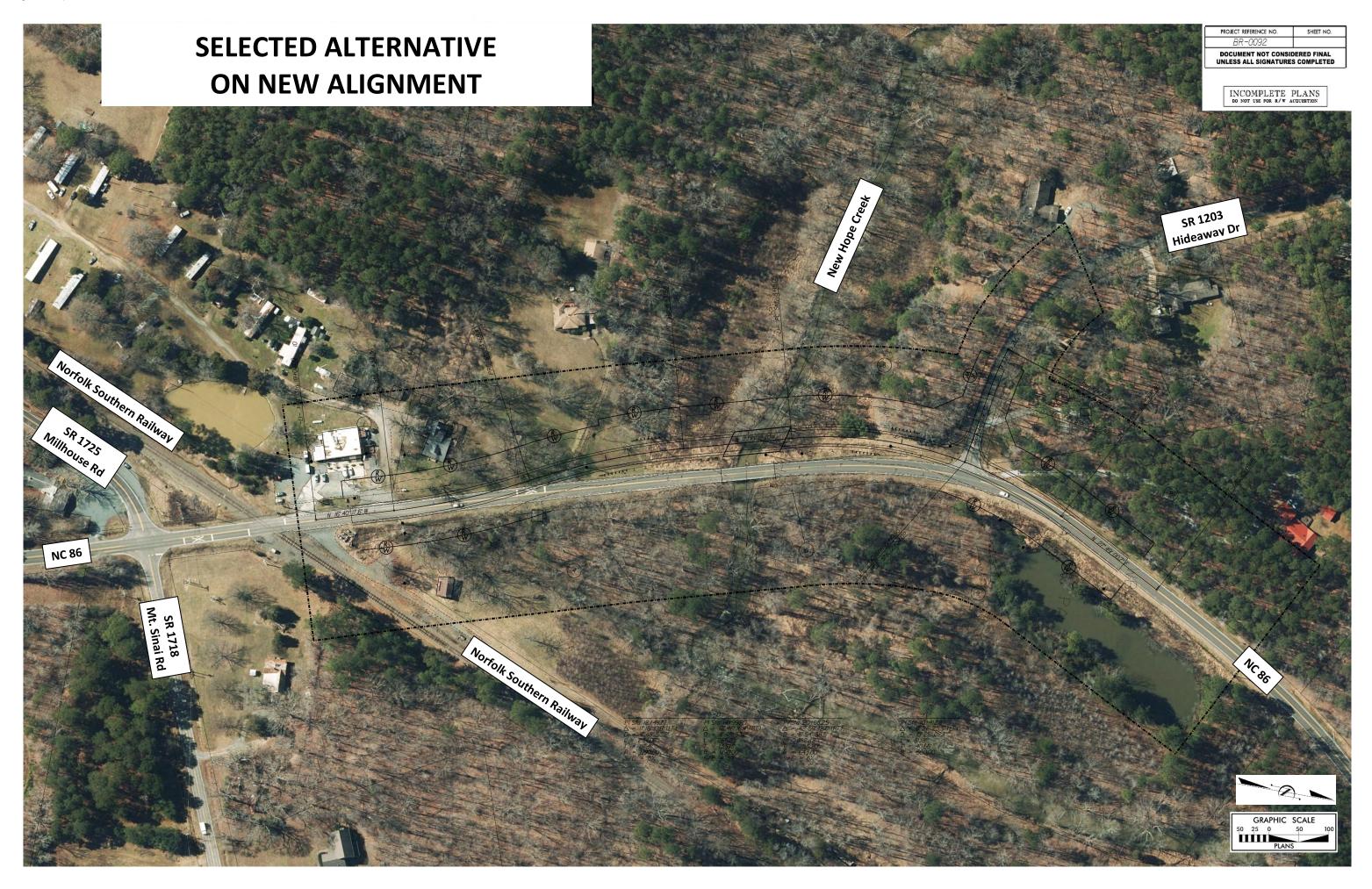
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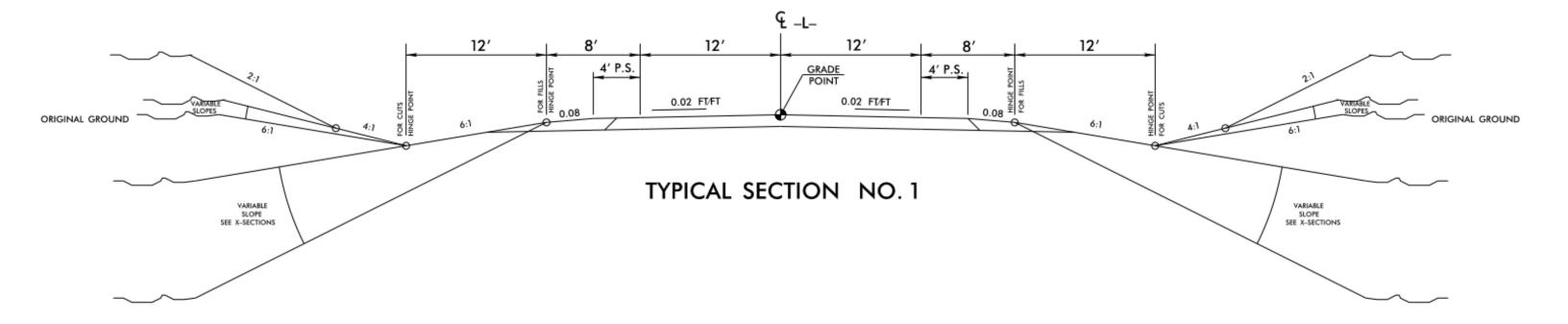
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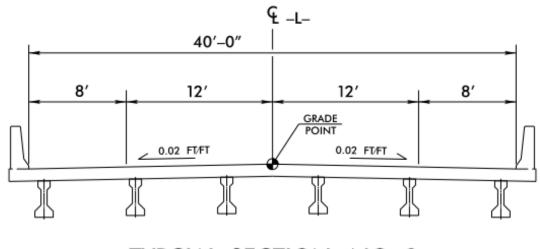
Note: Prior to ROW or Construction authorization, a consultation may be required (please see Section VII of the NCDOT-FHWA CE Programmatic Agreement for more details).



APPENDIX A FIGURES







TYPCIAL SECTION NO. 2

NOT TO SCALE

BR-0092

TYPICAL SECTIONS FOR FUNCTIONAL DESIGN



APPENDIX B CULTURAL RESOURCES

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HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES **SURVEY REQUIRED FORM**

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	B-0092	County:	Orange
WBS No.:	67092.1.1	Document	MCC
		Type:	
Fed. Aid No:		Funding:	State Federal
Federal	Yes No	Permit	USACE
Permit(s):		<i>Type</i> (<i>s</i>):	

Project Description:

Replace Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over the New Hope Creek near Blackwood. The Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project is defined as an approximately 2,000-foot corridor running 1,000 feet north and south from the center of the bridge and approximately 400 feet wide extending 200 feet from either side of the centerline.

SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW

Description of review activities, results, and conclusions:

Review of the APE on HPOWeb and deed research was conducted in October 2018. There are no existing NR, SL, DE, or LD properties in the project area, but there is one SS property --Blackwood Station (OR0487). This is a 1950s commercial gas station which has not been previously evaluated for National Register eligibility. Further north there are several other structures that have not been previously surveyed: a late 19th century craftsman dwelling, a late 19th century unpainted side gable cottage with a log barn, and another late 19th century farmstead. To the south there is a famous restaurant - Allen and Son Barbeque - which resides in a 1960s building. This building appears to be outside the APE because it is south of the railroad tracks, however, if construction actives extend south, this property should be evaluated. Bridge 37 was constructed in 1951 but was not recommended for eligibility as a result of the Historic Bridge Inventory in 2005. A subdivision called Hideaway Acres is in the northern end of the APE, but the earliest properties appear to date from the 1970s. Survey is recommended for properties 1-4 and possibly 5 if the construction limit were to extend past the railroad tracks.

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

\square Map(s)

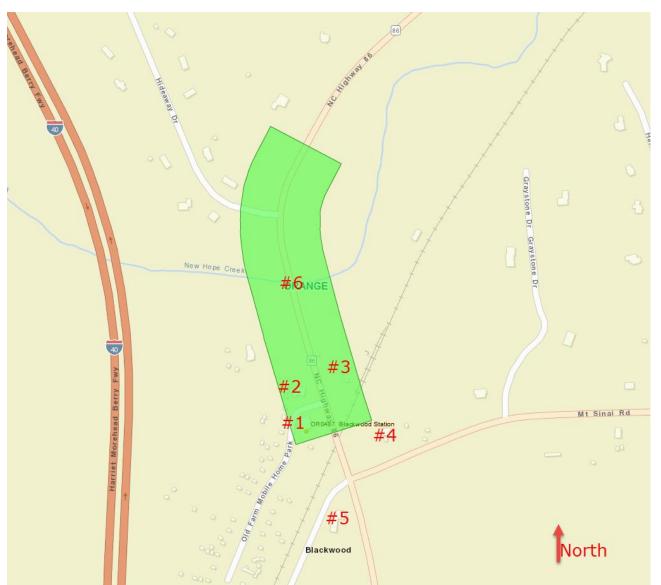
Previous Survey Info.

Photos

Correspondence

Design Plans

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APE Map- Source: HPOWeb, November 2018



#1 Blackwood Station: Tax parcel 9871850238, built 1957 (Google StreetView)



#2 House: Tax parcel 9871769758, built 1887 (Google StreetView)



#3 House: Tax parcel 9871960563, built 1872 (Google StreetView)



#3 Barn: Tax parcel 9871960563, built late 19th century (Google StreetView)



#4 Farmstead: Tax parcel 9871960563, built in 1872 (Google StreetView)



#5 Allen & Son BBQ: Tax parcel 9871844888, built 1961 (Google StreetView)



#6 Bridge 37: built 1951 (Google StreetView)

FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Historic Architecture and Landscapes -- **SURVEY REQUIRED**

Mary Pope Furr	11/2/2018	
NCDOT Architectural Historian	Date	

Anticipated Fieldwork Completion Date:

18-09-0064



HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES PRESENT OR AFFECTED FORM

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	B-0092	County:	Orange
WBS No.:	67092.1.1	Document Type:	MCC
Fed. Aid No:		Funding:	State Federal
Federal Permit(s):	Yes No	Permit Type(s):	USACE

Project Description:

Replace Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over the New Hope Creek near Blackwood. The Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project is defined as an approximately 2,000-foot corridor running 1,000 feet north and south from the center of the bridge and approximately 400 feet wide extending 200 feet from either side of the centerline.

SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW

- There are no National Register-listed or Study Listed properties within the project's area of potential effects.
- There are no properties less than fifty years old which are considered to meet Criteria Consideration G within the project's area of potential effects.
- There are no properties within the project's area of potential effects.
- There are properties over fifty years old within the area of potential effects, but they do not meet the criteria for listing on the National Register.
- There are no historic properties present or affected by this project. (Attach any notes or documents as needed.)

Date of field visit: April 2019

Description of review activities, results, and conclusions:

Review of the APE on HPOWeb and deed research was conducted in October 2018. There are no existing NR, SL, DE, or LD properties in the project area, but there is one SS property --Blackwood Station (OR0487). Bridge 37 was constructed in 1951 but was not recommended for eligibility as a result of the Historic Bridge Inventory in 2005. Six historic properties were evaluated by consultants and recommended not eligible in a report sent to the HPO in July 2019. The HPO concurred with the findings in their letter dated August 29, 2019. Therefore, a No Historic Properties Present call is appropriate.

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

Map(s)

Previous Survey Info.

Photos

Correspondence

Design Plans

FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Historic Architecture and Landscapes – NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES PRESENT OF AFFECTED

Mary Pope Furr

9/20/2019

NCDOT Architectural Historian

Date

18-09-0065 Updated



HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES NO SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

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PROJECT INFORMATION

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Fed. Aid No:		Funding:	State Federal
Federal	Yes No	Permit	USACE
Permit(s):		<i>Type(s)</i> :	
Project Description:			
Replace Bridge Number 37 on NC 86 over New Hope Creek.			

SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW

Description of review activities, results, and conclusions:

Review of HPOGIS web service was undertaken on November 17, 2021. This project was investigated and a No Historic Properties Present or Affected form was submitted on September 20, 2019. The project study are has been expanded and in October 2021 it was resubmitted for screening. Based on this review, there are no existing NR, DE, LL, SL or SS properties in the expanded project area. There is one structure in the expanded Area of Potential Effects (APE) which are greater than 50 years of age. The structure is a house constructed in 1971. The house does not have the architectural significance or integrity to warrant further evaluation. No Survey required.

Why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified significant historic architectural or landscape resources in the project area:

HPOGIS and County Tax Data provide reliable information regarding structures in the APE. These combined utilities are considered valid for purposes of determining the likelihood of historic resources being present.

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

 \square Map(s)

Previous Survey Info.

Photos Correspondence

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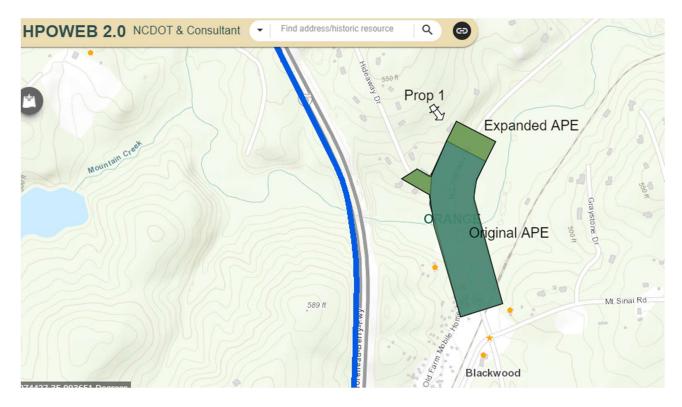
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BR-0092



House 1971

Project Tracking No.

18-09-0065 Revised



N O ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

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PROJECT INFORMATION

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Project Description:

The project calls for the replacement of Bridge No. 37 on NC 86 over the New Hope Creek in Orange County (TIP BR-0092). A "No archaeological Survey Required" form was originally submitted on October 9, 2018. The APE has since expanded in the northern half of the project area. The former PA form is now invalid and replaced by the current form. The revised archaeological Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project is defined as an approximately 1,700-foot (518.16 m) long corridor running 950 feet (289.56 m) north and 750 feet (228.60m) south from the center of the bridge. The APE corridor is approximately 400 feet (121.92 m) wide extending 200 feet (60.96 m) from either side of the centerline. The APE also extends 400 feet (121.92 m) along SR 1203 (Hideaway Road) from its intersection with NC 86. This extension is approximately 160 feet (48.77 m) wide extending 80 feet (24.38 m) from either side of the centerline.

Although this project is state funded, federal permits are anticipated. Therefore, this archaeological review was conducted pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance (36 CFR Part 800).

SUMMARY OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

Brief description of review activities, results of review, and conclusions:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project is located north of Chapel Hill and south of Hillsborough in Orange County, North Carolina. The project area is plotted at the northern edge of the Chapel Hill USGS 7.5' topographic quadrangle (Figure 1).

A site file search was first conducted by Casey Kirby at the Office of State Archaeology (OSA) on September 17, 2018. This review identified no previously recorded archaeological sites with the project limits, but nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683) are found within a mile of bridge. An updated file search for carried out on October 15, 2021. No new sites have been recorded in region. According to the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) online data base (HPOWEB 2021), no National Register eligible or listed historic architectural resources are within the APE. However, the project is within the Blackwood Station Historic District (OR 487), which is only a Surveyed Area consisting of an early 1900s community. All the structures (OR 3174–3178) within the district are recorded as Surveyed Only and are not likely to yield intact and significant archaeological deposits. Furthermore, New Hope Market (OR 3174) and the former Allen and Son Barbecue restaurant (OR 3178) are surrounded by pavement and gravel. Topographic maps, USDA soil survey maps, aerial photographs (NC One Map), and historic maps (North Carolina maps website) were further examined for information on environmental and cultural variables that may have contributed to prehistoric or historic settlement within the project limits and to assess the level of ground disturbance.

Bridge 37 and NC 86 cross New Hope Creek north to south (Figure 2). New Hope drains east and is part of the Cape Fear drainage basin. The project area resides along the New Hope floodplain and the adjacent eroded hillsides. The area appears minimal disturbed, but a buried sewer line runs along the westside of the road. Ground disturbance from its recent construction was widespread. The property east of the road is ponded or saturated with water with disturbance from the railway at the southern end. Ground disturbance from the former service station (currently the New Hope Market/restaurant) and residential property are present to the southwest. Property surrounding the service station is a mix of pavement and gravel.

The USDA soil survey map for the county identifies four soil types including Chewacla loam (Ch), Enon loam (EnC), Georgeville silt loam (GeC), and Herndon silt loam (HrC) (USDA NRCS 2018) (see Figure 2). Chewacla loam makes up the entire floodplain. This series is nearly level and somewhat poorly drained. It is also subject to frequent flooding. No significant archaeological sites will be encountered on this series due to persistent wetness. The remaining three series compose the hillsides. These are well drained soils with slope of less than 12 percent. Although they are typically tested for archaeological sites, the soils within the APE have been affected by ground disturbing activities including soil erosion. Significant resources are not expected.

Several archaeological investigations have been carried out in the vicinity of the current project, which have resulted in the identification of nine sites (310R43, 310R44, 310R185–310R187, 310R189, 310R680, 310R682, and 310R683). All of these sites are prehistoric in origin and have yet to be assessed for the National Register. Additional sites are probable in the region, but the current APE is not likely to yield positive results due to disturbance from the sewer line and former service station west of NC 86 and wet soils to the east.

A map review was also conducted. The earliest in which the project area could be placed was the 1891 *Map* of Orange County by George Tate and Theophilus Moore (Figure 3). This map plots the New Chapel Hill Road that would one day becomes NC 86. It depicts the railway, New Hope Creek, the Blackwood Post Office, and Robeson Station. Road traces along NC 86 suggest that the earlier road was likely west of the current road; however at the current project area, the former road ran adjacent too or beneath NC 86. A log house situated in the southeast corner of the APE may be the old Post Office, but this seems unlikely. The Post Office was probably southwest of this structure near the railroad and has since been demolition. Robeson Station is placed south of the tracks, just outside of the project limits, but no evidence of these former structures and the road are incorrectly plotted. Regardless, significant archaeological deposits associated with these structures are not expected to be intact. The later circa 1910 *Rural Deliver Routes for Orange County* shows a more detail picture (United States Post Office ca. 1910) (Figure 4). It illustrates road following similar alignments as today with two nearby structures. The first structure west of the railway is located at the former service station (Blackwood Station), and likely represents an early version of this business. The second structure is to the east of the railway and is outside of the project limits.

Brief Explanation of why the available information provides a reliable basis for reasonably predicting that there are no unidentified historic properties in the APE:

The proposed Bridge 37 replacement project in Orange County is not likely to impact any significant archaeological resources. This is due ground disturbance west of the road and wet soils to the east. As a result, there is a low probability for archaeological sites. No further archaeological work is recommended for this project. But if design plans change to affect subsurface areas beyond the defined APE, further archaeological consultation might be necessary.

This project falls within a North Carolina County in which the Catawba Nation have expressed an interest. We recommend that you ensure that this documentation is forwarded to the tribe using the process described in the current NCDOT Tribal Protocol and PA Procedures Manual.

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SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

See attached: Map(s) Other:

p(s) Previous Survey Info

vey Info Photos

Correspondence

FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST: NO ARCHAEOLOGY SURVEY REQUIRED

C. Damon Jones NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST II November 16, 2021

Date

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2013 Chapel Hill, North Carolina 7.5 minute quadrangle map.



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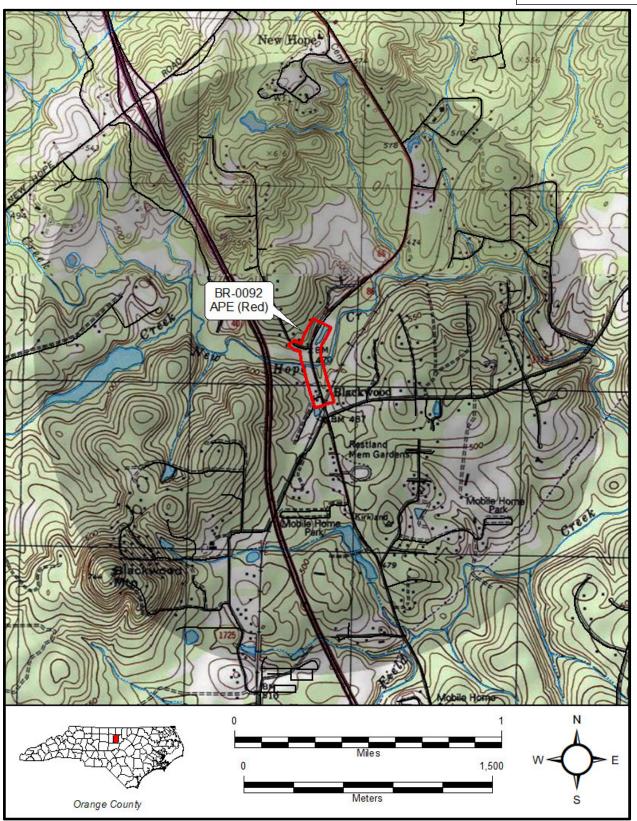


Figure 1. Topographic Setting of the Project Area, Chapel Hill (2013), NC USGS 7'5 Topographic Quadrangle.

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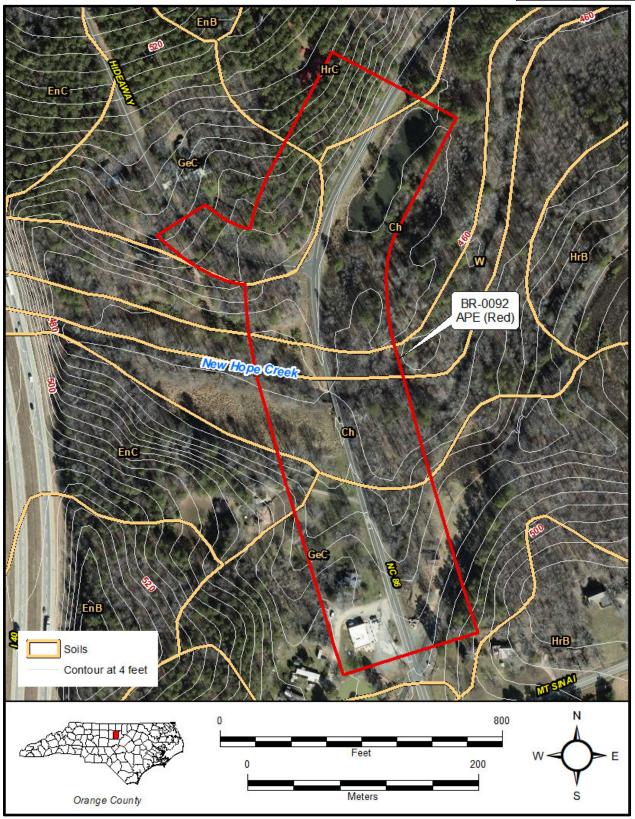


Figure 2. Aerial photograph of the APE showing development, contours, and soils.

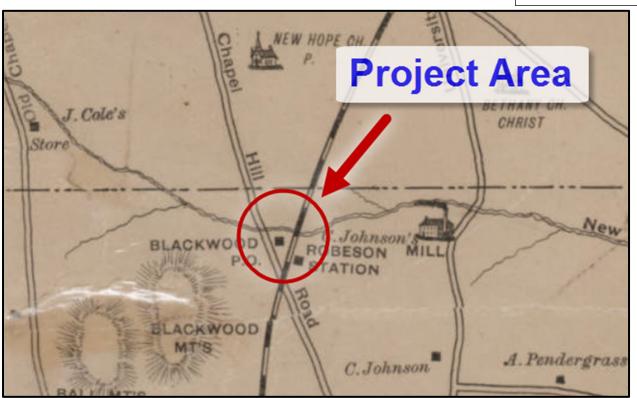


Figure 3. The 1891 *Map of Orange County* by George Tate and Theophilus Moore showing the location of the project area.

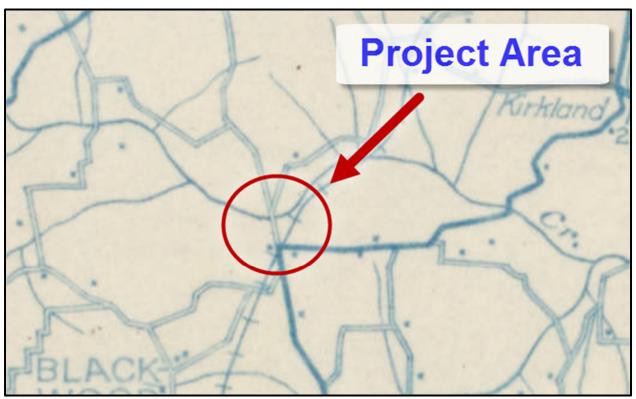


Figure 4. The circa 1910 Rural Deliver Routes for Orange County showing the location of the project area.

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Kaleigh, Thank you for the response. We will document this on our project sites.

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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for contacting us regarding the proposed projects.

The Monacan Indian Nation is a federally recognized sovereign tribe, headquartered on Bear Mountain in Amherst County. Citizens of the Nation are descended from Virginia and North Carolina Eastern Siouan cultural and linguistic groups, and our ancestral territory includes Virginia west of the fall line of the rivers, sections of southeastern West Virginia, and portions of northern North Carolina. At this time, the active Monacan consultation areas include:

Virginia: Albemarle, Alleghany, Amherst, Appomattox, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Bland, Buchanan, Buckingham, Campbell, Carroll, Charlotte, Clarke, Craig, Culpepper, Cumberland, Dickenson, Floyd, Fluvanna, Franklin, Frederick, Giles, Goochland, Grayson, Greene, Halifax, Henry, Highland, Lee, Loudoun, Louisa, Madison, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Nelson, Orange, Page, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Pulaski, Rappahannock, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Russell, Scott, Shenandoah, Smyth, Tazewell, Warren, Washington, Wise, and Wythe Counties, and all contiguous cities.

West Virginia: Greenbrier, Mercer, Monroe, Pendleton, Pocahontas, and Summers Counties.

North Carolina: Alamance, Caswell, Granville, Orange, Person, Rockingham, Vance, and Warren Counties.

At this time, the Nation does not wish to actively participate in this consultation project, because:

	This project is outside our ancestral territory
Х	The project's impacts are anticipated to be minimal
	The project is more closely related to, which should be contacted to participate in consultation
	The tribal office does not currently have the capacity to participate in this project
	Other:

However, the Nation requests to be contacted if:

- Sites associated with native history may be impacted by this project;
- Adverse effects associated with this project are identified;
- Human remains are encountered during this project;
- Unanticipated native cultural remains are encountered during this project;
- Other tribes consulting on this project cease consultation; or
- The project size or scope becomes larger or more potentially destructive than currently described.

Please do not make any assumptions about future consultation interests based on this decision, as priorities and information may change. We request that you send any future consultation communications in electronic form to <u>Consultation@MonacanNation.com</u>. We appreciate your outreach to the Monacan Indian Nation and look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you,

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Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached project study letter for NCDOT Projects B-6038 and BR-0092. Please let us know by February 11th if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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February 2, 2022

Attention: David Stutts NC Department of Transportation 1581 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

Re. THPO #TCNS #Project Description2022-193-62STIP B-6038; STIP BR-0080; and STIP BR-0092

Dear Mr. Stutts,

The Catawba have no immediate concerns with regard to traditional cultural properties, sacred sites or Native American archaeological sites within the boundaries of the proposed project areas. However, the Catawba are to be notified if Native American artifacts and / or human remains are located during the ground disturbance phase of this project.

If you have questions please contact Caitlin Rogers at 803-328-2427 ext. 226, or e-mail Caitlin.Rogers@catawba.com.

Sincerely,

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