MINIMUM CRITERIA DETERMINATION CHECKLIST

TIP Project No.	BR-0014
W.B.S. Project No.	67014.1.1

<u>Project Location</u>: Bridge No. 250025 over Beaver Dam Creek on NC 242 in Cumberland County

<u>Project Description</u>: The purpose of this project is to replace Cumberland County Bridge No. 250025 on NC 242 over Beaver Dam Creek. Bridge No. 250025 is 76 feet long. The replacement structure will be a bridge approximately 110 feet long providing a minimum 33 feet clear deck width. The bridge will include two 12-foot lanes and 4-foot 6 inch offsets. The bridge length is based on preliminary design information and is set by hydraulic requirements. The roadway grade of the new structure will be raised approximately 2-foot to match the existing low chord elevation.

The approach roadway will extend approximately 640 feet from the south end of the new bridge and 690 feet from the north end of the new bridge. The approaches will be widened to include a 24-foot pavement width providing two 12-foot lanes. Eight-foot shoulders will be provided on each side (11-foot shoulders where guardrail is included) with 2' paved shoulders. The roadway will be designed as a Major Collector Route with a 60 mile per hour design speed.

Traffic will be detoured off-site during construction (see Figure 1).

Purpose and Need: NCDOT Bridge Management Unit records indicate Bridge No. 250025 has a sufficiency rating of 50.19 out of a possible 100 for a new structure.

The superstructure and substructure of Bridge No. 250025 have timber elements that are sixty-seven years old. Timber components have a typical life expectancy between 40 to 50 years due to the natural deterioration rate of wood. Rehabilitation of a timber structure is generally practical only when a few elements are damaged or prematurely deteriorated. However, past a certain degree of deterioration, most timber elements become impractical to maintain and upon eligibility are programmed for replacement. Timber components of Bridge No. 250025 are experiencing an increasing degree of deterioration that can no longer be addressed by reasonable maintenance activities, therefore the bridge is approaching the end of its useful life.

Anticipated Permit or Consultation Requirements:

A Section 404 Nationwide Permit 3 or 14 will likely be required for impacts to "Waters of the United States" resulting from this project. A corresponding NCDWR Section 401 Water Quality General Certification would be issued with the Section 404 Permit. The USACE holds the final discretion as to what permit will be required to authorize project construction.

Special Project Information:

Environmental Commitments: Greensheet Commitments are located at the end of the checklist.

Estimated Costs:

The estimated costs are as follows:

R/W: \$ 5,750 <u>Const:</u> \$ 1,650,000 Total: \$ 1,655,750

Estimated Traffic:

Dual

2019 (Let) 1,500 vpd 2040 (Design) 2,200 vpd TTST 8%

4%

Accidents: Traffic Engineering has evaluated a recent ten year period and found four accidents occurring in the vicinity of the project.

Design Exceptions: There are no anticipated design exceptions for this project.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Accommodations: This portion of NC 242 is not designated as a bicycle route nor is it listed in the STIP as a bicycle project. No temporary bicycle or pedestrian accommodations will be provided.

Bridge Demolition: Bridge No. 250025 has a concrete deck with steel I-beams and reinforced concrete caps on timber piles. Based on standard demolition practices, it should be possible to remove with no resulting debris in the water. There has been some priority maintenance performed on the steel girders of the bridge however, that is not considered a permanent solution.

Alternatives Discussion:

No Build – The no build alternative would result in eventually closing the road which is unacceptable given the volume of traffic served by NC 242.

Rehabilitation – The bridge was constructed in 1951 and the timber materials within the bridge are reaching the end of their useful life. Rehabilitation would require replacing the timber components which would constitute effectively replacing the bridge.

Onsite Detour – An onsite detour was not evaluated due to the presence of an acceptable offsite detour.

Staged Construction – Staged construction was not considered because of the availability of an acceptable offsite detour.

New Alignment – Given that the alignment for NC 242 is acceptable, a new alignment was not considered as an alternative.

Offsite Detour – Bridge No. 250025 will be replaced on the existing alignment. Traffic will be detoured offsite (see Figure 1) during the construction period. The offsite detour for this project

will include SR 2036, SR 2037, and NC 210 and is 4.08 miles in length. Cumberland County Schools Transportation and Cumberland County Emergency Services will be notified prior to road closure.

Public Involvement:

A landowner notification letter was sent to all property owners affected directly by this project. Property owners were invited to comment. No comments have been received to date.

PART A: MINIMUM CRITERIA

Item	I to be completed by the Engineer.	YES	NO
	Is the proposed project listed as a type and class of activity allowed under the Minimum Criteria Rule in which environmental documentation is <u>not</u> required?		
	e answer to number 1 is "no", then the project <u>does not</u> qualify as a mum criteria project. A state environmental assessment is required.		
If yes	s, under which category? 9		
If eit	her category #8, #12(i) or #15 is used complete Part D of this checklist.		
PAR	RT B: MINIMUM CRITERIA EXCEPTIONS		
Item	s 2 - 4 to be completed by the Engineer.	YES	NO
2.	Could the proposed activity cause significant changes in land use concentrations that would be expected to create adverse air quality impacts?		
3.	Will the proposed activity have secondary impacts or cumulative impacts that may result in a significant adverse impact_to human health		
4.	or the environment? Is the proposed activity of such an unusual nature or does the proposed activity have such widespread implications, that an uncommon concern for its environmental effects has been expressed to the Department?		
Itom	5-8 to be completed by Division Environmental Officer.		
5.	Does the proposed activity have a significant adverse effect on wetlands; surface waters such as rivers, streams, and estuaries; parklands; prime or unique agricultural lands; or areas of recognized scenic, recreational, archaeological, or historical value?		
6.	Will the proposed activity endanger the existence of a species on the		

	Department of Interior's threatened and endangered species list?		
7.	Could the proposed activity cause significant changes in land use concentrations that would be expected to create adverse water quality or ground water impacts?		
8.	Is the proposed activity expected to have a significant adverse effect on long-term recreational benefits or shellfish, finfish, wildlife, or their natural habitats	YES	NO
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Questions in Part "C" are designed to assist the Engineer and the Division Environmental Officer in determining whether a permit or consultation with a state or federal resource agency may be required. If any questions in Part "C" are answered "yes", follow the appropriate permitting procedures prior to beginning project construction.

PART D:(To be completed when either category #8, 12(i) or #15 of the rules are used.)

Items 16-22 to be completed by Division Environmental Officer.

16.	Project length:	0.273 mi.
17.	Right of Way width:	100 ft.
18.	Project completion date:	August 2021
19.	Total acres of newly disturbed ground surface:	1.0 ac.
20.	Total acres of wetland impacts:	0.21 ac.
21.	Total linear feet of stream impacts:	50 ft.
22.	Project purpose:	Replace Existing Bridge

If Part D of the checklist is completed, send a copy of the entire checklist document to:

David B. Harris, PE State Roadside Environmental Engineer Mail Service Center 1557 Raleigh, NC 27699-1557 (919) 707-2920 Fax (919) 715-2554

Email: davidharris@ncdot.gov

PART D

Additional Documentation as Required from Sections B & C

Question 9: Michaux's sumac - Suitable habitat for michaux's sumac is present in the study area. This habitat included sandy soils, open woods, or areas where disturbance has been provided in an open area. Maintained and disturbed portions of the study area were surveyed on September 7, 2018 and no michaux's sumac was observed. A review of the NCNHP records, updated July 2018, indicates no known occurrences within 1.0 mile of the study area. The biological conclusion is **No Effect.**

Pondberry - Suitable habitat for pondberry is present in the study area. This habitat included shaded areas and total sunlight where disturbance has occurred. Areas of habitat were surveyed on September 7, 2018 and no pondberry was observed. A review of the NCNHP records, updated July 2018, indicates no known occurrences within 1.0 mile of the study area. The biological conclusion is **No Effect.**

Rough-leaved Loosestrife - Suitable habitat for rough-leaved loosestrife is present in the study area. This habitat included areas where disturbance had occurred in an open area. Areas of habitat were surveyed on September 7, 2018 and no rough-leaved loosestrife was observed. A review of the NCNHP records, updated July 2018, indicates no known occurrences within 1.0 mile of the study area. The biological conclusion is **No Effect.**

The US Fish and Wildlife Service has developed a programmatic biological opinion (PBO) in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and NCDOT for the northern long-eared bat (NLEB) (Myotis septentrionalis) in eastern North Carolina. The PBO covers the entire NCDOT program in Divisions 1-8, including all NCDOT projects and activities. The programmatic determination for NLEB for the NCDOT program is **May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect**. The PBO provides incidental take coverage for NLEB and will ensure compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for five years for all NCDOT projects with a federal nexus in Divisions 1-8, which includes Cumberland County, where BR-0014 is located. This level of incidental take is authorized from the effective date of a final listing determination through April 30, 2020.

Question 10: The proposed project will require fill in waters at two locations along the project due to the proposed bridge replacement. The impacts are as follows: approximately 40 linear foot of impact to Beaver Dam Creek and approximately 0.21 acres of permanent fill in wetlands. The stream impacts are due to the rip rap that will be placed on the stream banks and 3:1 fill slopes are being utilized to minimize wetland impacts.

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3/27/2019

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Greg S. Purvis, PE, Project Manager Wetherill Engineering



Prepared For: North Carolina Department of Transportation Structures Management

Unit

Reviewed By:

3/27/2019

Date

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Kevin Fischer, PE Assistant State Structures Engineer – Program Management and Field Operations, Structures Management Unit

North Carolina Department of Transportation

PROJECT COMMITMENTS:

Cumberland County Bridge No. 250025 on NC 242 Over Beaver Dam Creek W.B.S. No. 67014.1.1 T.I.P. No. BR-0014

Division Six Construction, Resident Engineer's Office – Offsite Detour

In order to have time to adequately reroute school busses, Cumberland County Schools will be contacted at (910) 678-2505 at least one month prior to road closure.

Cumberland County Emergency Services will be contacted at (910) 321-6736 at least one month prior to road closure to make the necessary temporary reassignments to primary response units.

Hydraulic Unit – FEMA Coordination

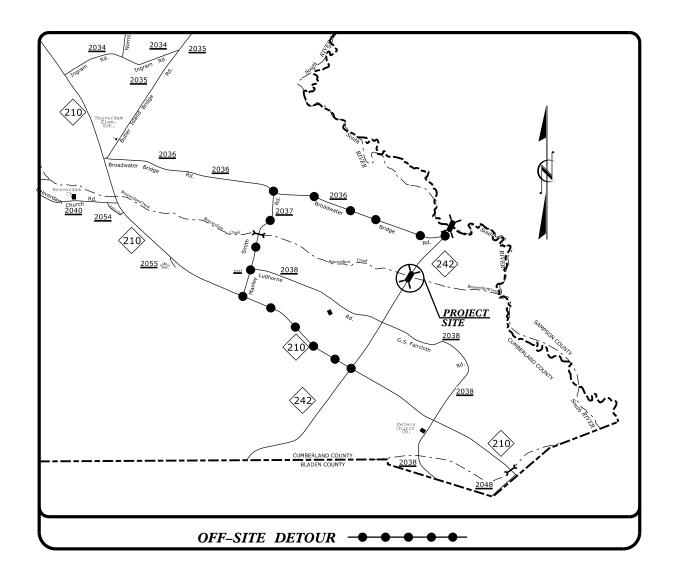
The Hydraulics Unit will coordinate with the NC Floodplain Mapping Program (FMP), to determine status of project with regard to applicability of NCDOT'S Memorandum of Agreement, or approval of a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) and subsequent final Letter of Map Revision (LOMR).

Division Six Construction, Resident Engineer's Office -FEMA

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 project construction, certifying that the drainage structure(s) and roadway embankment that are located within the 100-year floodplain were built as shown in the construction plans, both horizontally and vertically.

Roadside Environmental Unit; Division Six Construction, Resident Engineer's Office – ORW Issues

Since Beaver Dam Creek flows into the South River less than 1.0 mile downstream of the project, and this portion of the South River is classified as C;Sw,ORW:+, the sedimentation and erosion control plans shall adhere to the Design Standards in Sensitive Watersheds.



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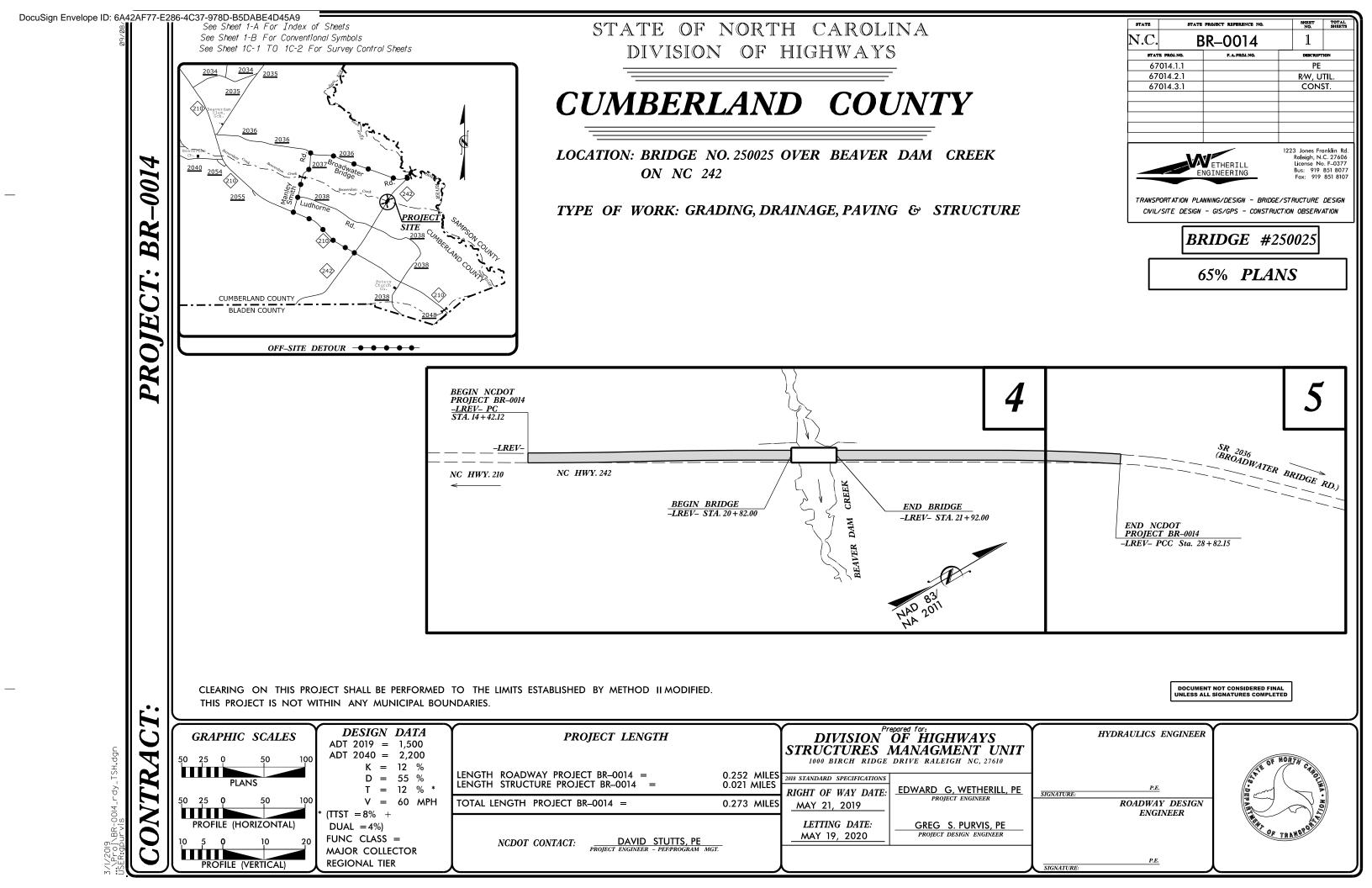
REPLACE BRIDGE NO. 250025 OVER BEAVER DAM CREEK ON NC 242

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

WBS NO. 67014.1.1

NORTH CAROLINA
DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION 6

VICINITY MAP - FIGURE 1



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C2	PROP. APPROX. 2.5" ASPHALT CONCRETE SURFACE COURSE, TYPE S9.5B, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 137.5 LBS. PER SQ. YD. IN EACH OF TWO LAYERS.
СЗ	PROP. VAR. DEPTH ASPHALT CONCRETE SURFACE COURSE, TYPE S9.5B, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 110 LBS. PER SQ. YD. PER 1" DEPTH. TO BE PLACED IN LAYERS NOT LESS THAN 1½" IN DEPTH OR GREATER THAN 2" IN DEPTH.
D1	PROP. APPROX. 2.5" ASPHALT CONCRETE INTERMEDIATE COURSE, TYPE I19.0C, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 285 LBS. PER SQ. YD.
D2	PROP. VAR. DEPTH ASPHALT CONCRETE INTERMEDIATE COURSE, TYPE I19.OC, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 114 LBS. PER SQ. YD. PER 1" DEPTH. TO BE PLACED IN LAYERS NOT LESS THAN 3" IN DEPTH OR GREATER THAN 5½" IN DEPTH.
E1	PROP. APPROX. 4" ASPHALT CONCRETE BASE COURSE, TYPE B25.0C, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 456 LBS. PER SQ. YD.
E2	PROP. VAR. DEPTH ASPHALT CONCRETE BASE COURSE, TYPE B25.0C, AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 114 LBS. PER SQ. YD. PER 1" DEPTH. TO BE PLACED IN LAYERS NOT LESS THAN 3" IN DEPTH OR GREATER THAN 5½" IN DEPTH.
J1	PROP. APPROX. 6" AGGREGATE BASE COURSE
Т	EARTH MATERIAL.
U	EXISTING PAVEMENT.
V	MILLING BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT. (SEE MILLING DETAIL)

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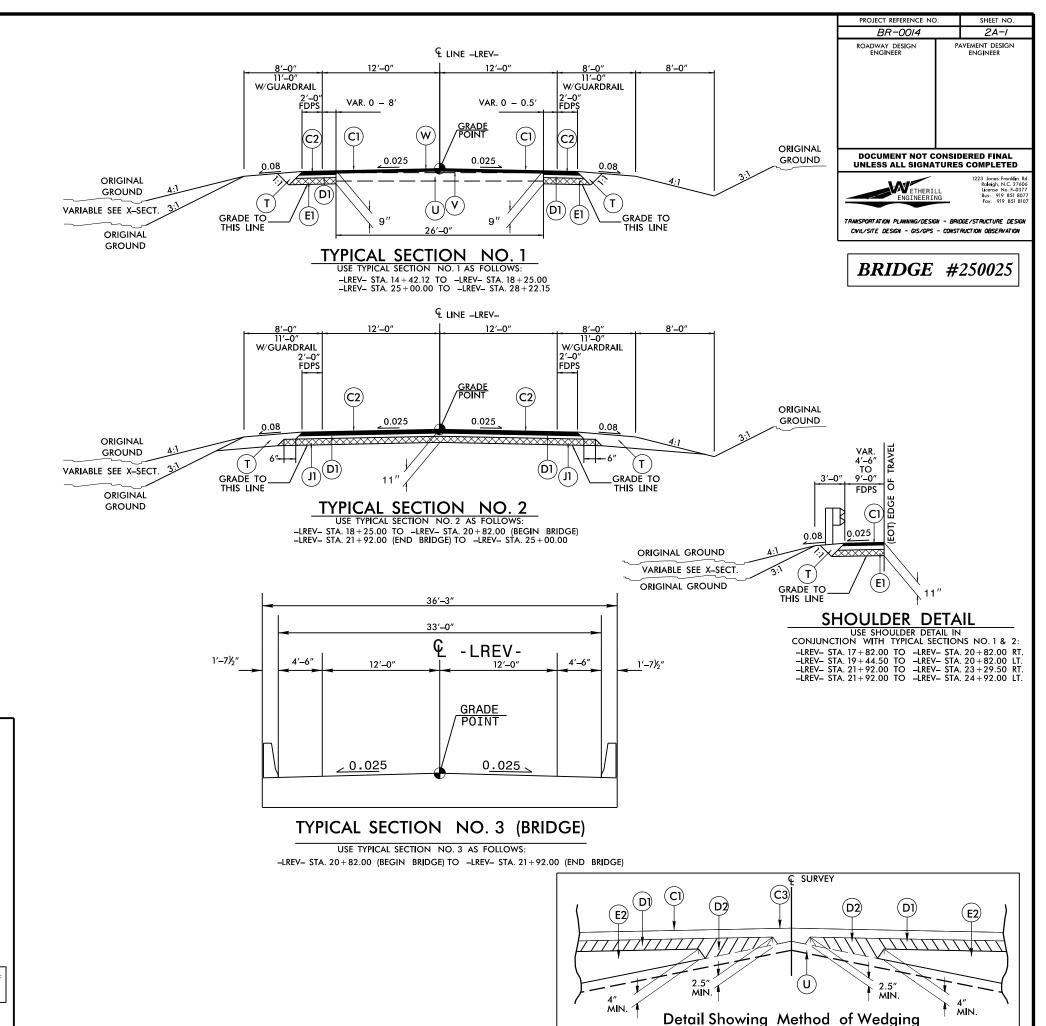
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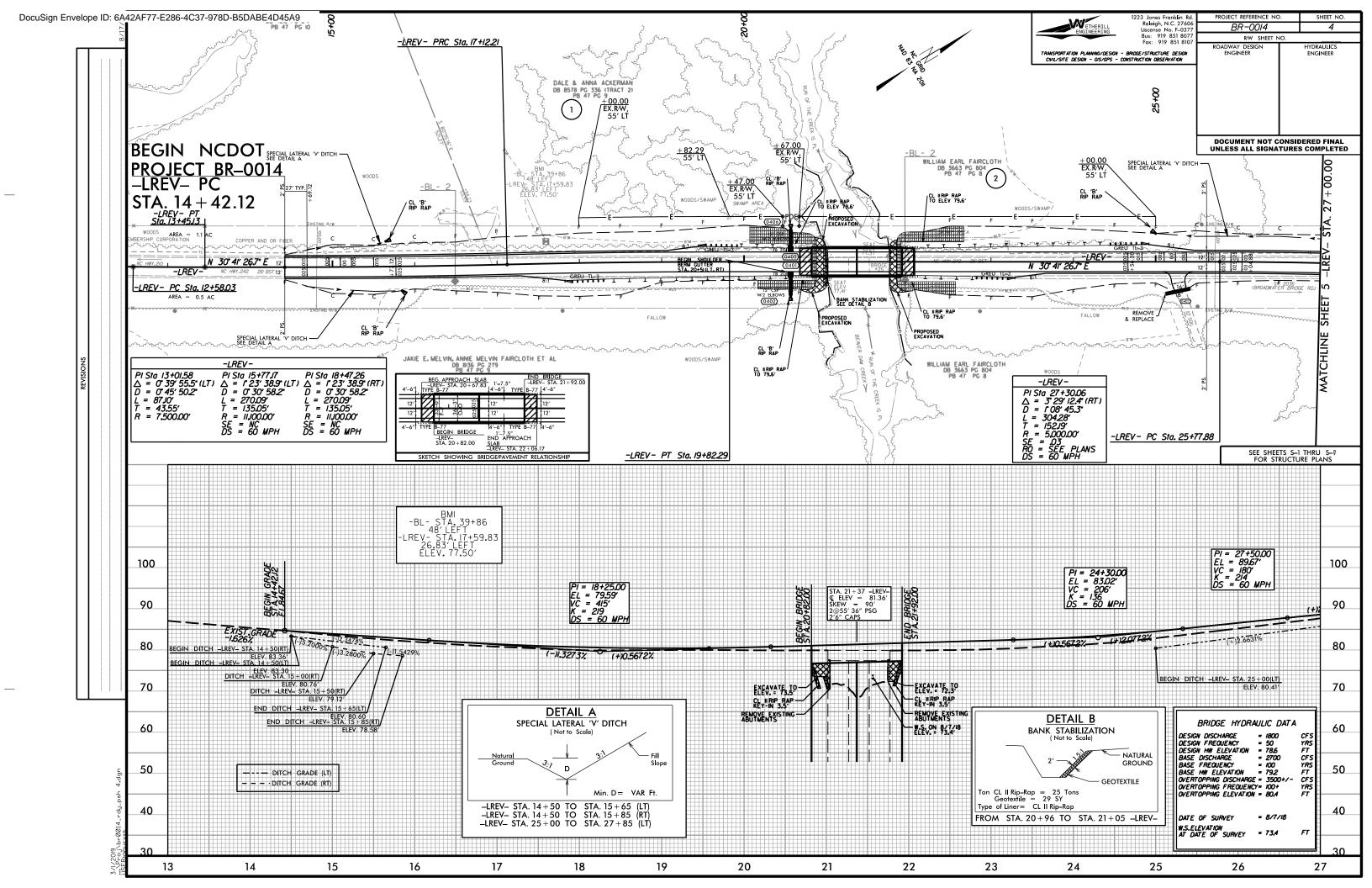
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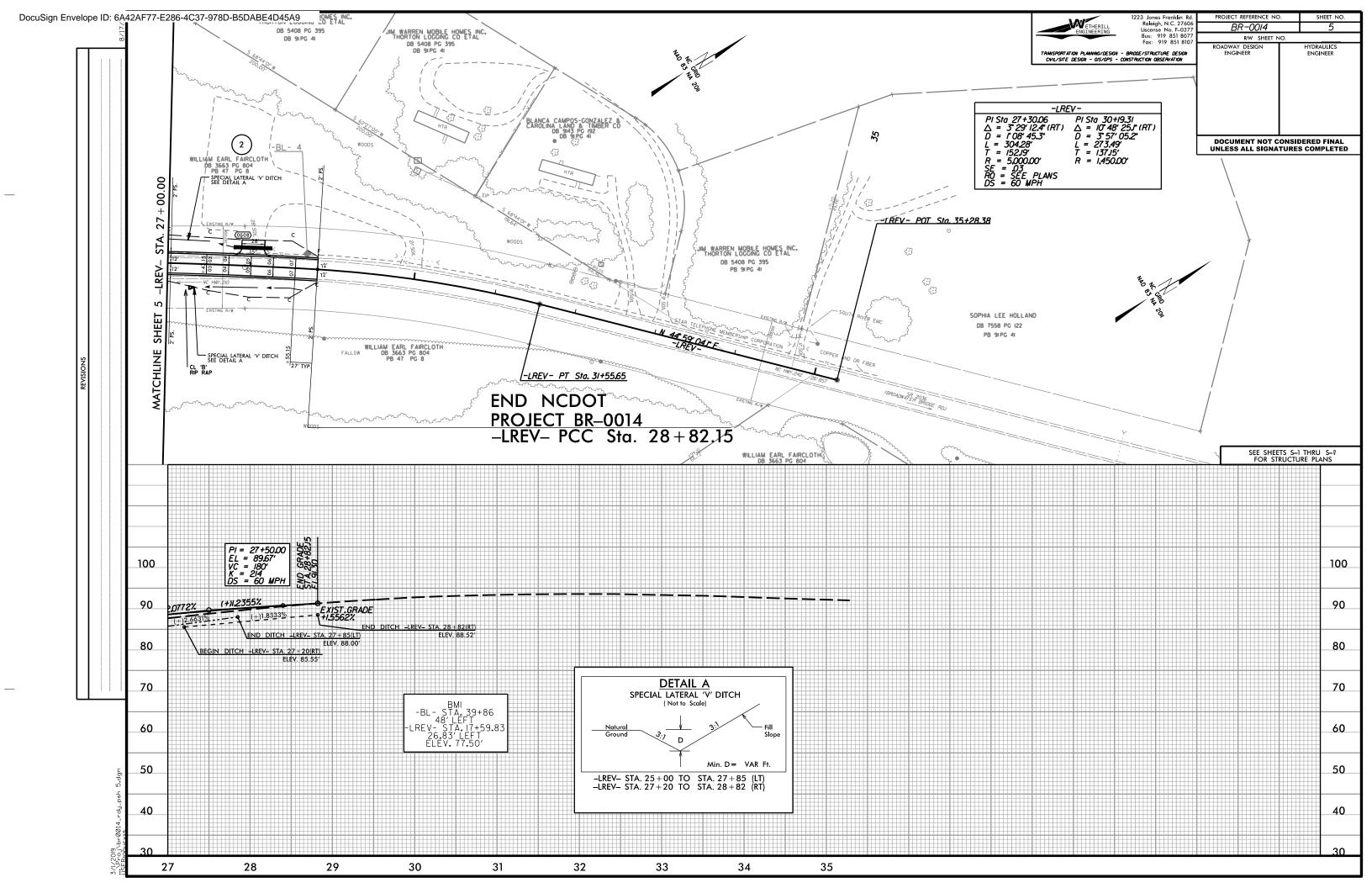
For surface mixes over $1^{\prime\prime}$ in thickness, mill the existing pavement in accordance with the following sketch as directed by the Engineer. Locations shall include ties into existing concrete pavement, at bridge approaches where the bridge will not be resurfaced, and at the beginning and ending point of each resurfacing map. Perform the work in accordance with Section 607 of the January 2018 North Carolina Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures. Resurfacing will be accomplished at the same time as the milling 25'-75' MILL EXISTING PAVEMENT BEGINNING OR ENDING OF MAP, EXISTING CONCRETE PAVEMENT OR NON-RESURFACEABLE BRIDGE DECKS MINIMUM PERFORM VARIABLE DEPTH MILLING AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: -LREV- STA, 14 + 42.12 TO -LREV- STA, 15 + 75.00

-LREV- STA. 27 + 84.65 TO -LREV- STA. 28 + 22.15

GRADE MAY BE ADJUSTED BY ENGINEER TO ENSURE A PROPER TIE-IN





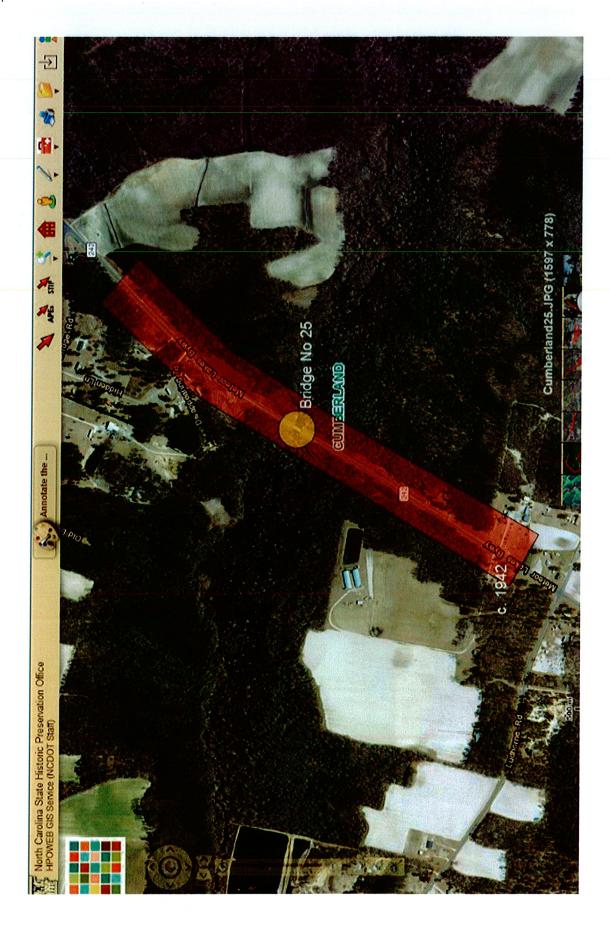




HISTORIC ARCHICTECTURE AND LANDSCAPES NO SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

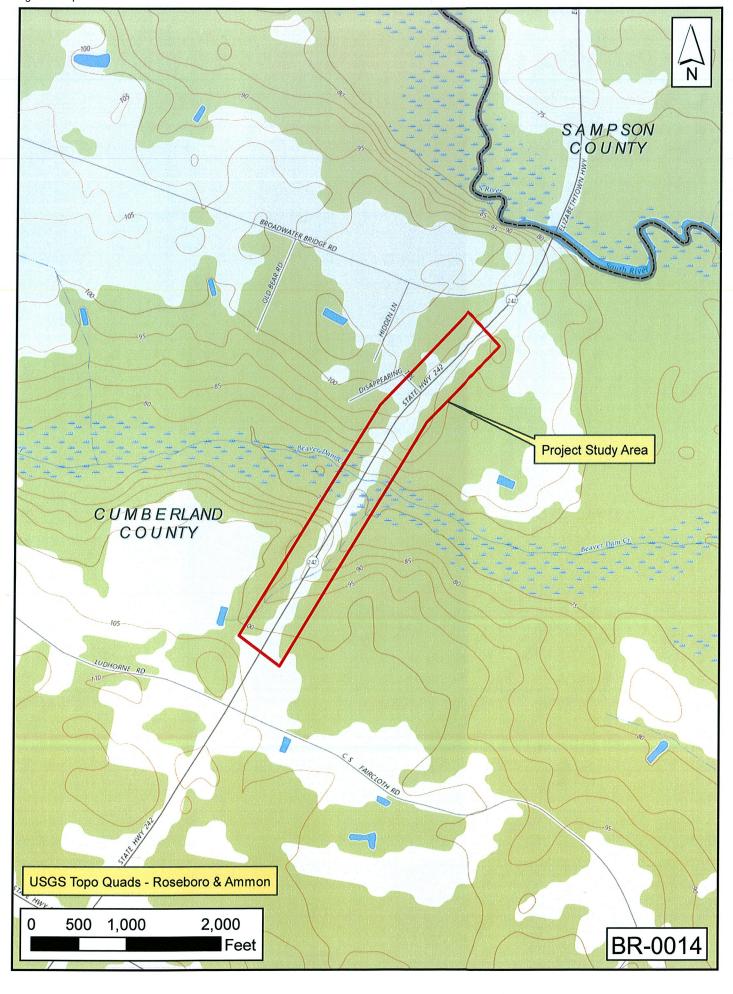
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PROJECT INFORMATION Project No: **BR-0014** Cumberland County: WBS No.: 67014.1.1 **MCC** Document Type: X State Fed. Aid No: Federal Funding: USACE X Yes **Federal** No Permit Permit(s): Type(s): Project Description: Replace Bridge No 25 on US 242 over Beaver Dam Creek SUMMARY OF HISTORIC ARCHICTECTURE AND LANDSCAPES REVIEW Description of review activities, results, and conclusions: Review of HPO quad maps, relevant background reports, historic designations roster, and indexes was undertaken on January 18, 2018. Based on this review there are no NR, DE, LL, SL, or SS in the Area of Potential Effects (APE). There is one property which is older than 50 years in the APE, a c.1942 house. However it does not have the level of architectural significance or integrity which would rise to National Register eligibility. 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: Using HPO GIS website and county tax data provides reliable information regarding the structures in the APE. These combined utilities are considered valid for the purposes of determining the likelihood of historic resources being present. SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION \boxtimes Map(s) Previous Survey Info. ⊠ Photos Correspondence Design Plans FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN Historic Architecture and Landscapes -- NO SURVEY REQUIRED Jan 18, 2018 NCDOT Architectural Historian Date





c. 1942 house





NO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUIRED FORM

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Project No:	Br. No 0025	County:	Cumberland
WBS No:	67014.3.1	Document:	мсс
F.A. No:	N-A	Funding:	State
Federal Permit Requ	ired? Xes	☐ No Permit T	ype: tbd

Project Description: NCDOT proposes to replace Bridge No. 0025 over Beaver Dam Creek in southeastern Cumberland County. This is a state funded project though it will require federal permitting, therefore, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act applies.

No design mapping or conceptual alternatives were available at the time of the review. Some project notes suggest that an offsite detour under five miles may be available though may require some minor improvements at intersections for larger trucks. Wetland soils and standing water are abundant near the crossing, and efforts and impact minimization to that resource is likely. Replace in place construction at a similar alignment with an offsite detour would have the smallest new project footprint.

For purposes of this screening review, an initial Area of Potential Effects has been established that is probably much larger than anticipated earthmoving activities. This allows for multiple designs. The APE includes a length of about 3750 feet (~0.71 miles) and having a width of about 500 feet. The intent is to cover all construction areas, including cut and fill lines, easements and or new ROW, in the APE. While the entire APE is covered for this review, there is an emphasis on the immediate surroundings at the bridge and approaches. For this archaeological screening, a revised APE may be more suitable as alternatives are developed.

SUMMARY OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES REVIEW:

NO SURVEY REQUIRED

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

USGS mapping and aerial photography was examined (see Figures 1 and 2). Virtual drive-by using Bing and/or Google Maps was examined. Much of the APE along that corridor has been disturbed by highway construction-related earth moving on NC 242. Some areas within the APE contain standing water, while other locations have been cleared, or are wooded. Generally, there are no plowed agricultural fields. Some clearing and earthmoving has occurred adjacent to NC 242 and there are occasional driveways. A small number of nearby residences or other structures exist in the surrounding project area.

Soil type mapping and historic maps were studied. About two thirds of the project contain poorly drained and flooded soils, including those closest to the bridge (Johnston loam [JT] and Torhunta and Lynn Haven soils [TR]). Another third is better drained (Autryville loamy sand [AuA] and Candor sand [CaB] but the limited soils appear in aerials and street view to have undergone modifications, like grading, that reduce the likelihood of intact, significant archaeological sites. The immediate surroundings of the bridge contains

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swampy soils and standing water. The low, wet soils are unlikely to contain archaeological sites, and the better drained soils are limited and modified.

The 1922 Cumberland County Soil Survey map (MC.029.1922u) shows NC 242 was not present in the same configuration as it is now. An earlier road did cross Beaver Dam Creek/Swamp, though was more winding, bridging the water towards the east. Historic sites, therefore are less likely away from the older road.

A visit to the Office of State Archaeology for background research showed a small number of archaeological reviews in the area, focusing along NC 242. This includes a bridge replacement over the South River, B-3152 (ER 97-8360), wedge or grading (ER 02-7956), fill work or highway work south of the bridge that received "no comment" from OSA (ER 99-8023). The similarity between the very nearby bridge replacement over the South River reviewed by the Office of State Archaeology around 1999 and the current project is strong. OSA recommended no archaeological survey, saying that bridge construction was unlikely to disturb intact, significant cultural resources, and by comparison, would probably make the same comments for the current bridge replacement project.

Few archaeological sites are documented nearby, though 31Cd24 falls within the larger study area that is currently used as an APE. The unassessed site, recorded by UNC-CH, is Native American, though no artifacts or further description was available. It appears to be overlapping the location of a structure on USGS mapping which is likely removed or otherwise graded and filled, now, probably destroyed.

No obvious cemeteries were observed on USGS mapping, historic maps, aerial photography or virtual drive by viewing. The GIS-based cemetery data managed by NCDOT archaeologist, Paul Mohler, likewise shows no known cemeteries at the APE.

The APE includes the area of bridge construction at a creek or swamp crossing with water along the roadway for some distance away from the bridge. A large APE offers several design options, though a simple replace in place alternative may be likely. An offsite detour is likely. No archaeological survey is recommended.

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION		
See attached: Map(s) Previous Survey Info Photocopy of County Survey Notes	Photos Correspondence Other:	
FINDING BY NCDOT ARCHAEOLOGIST – NO SURVEY REQUIRED		
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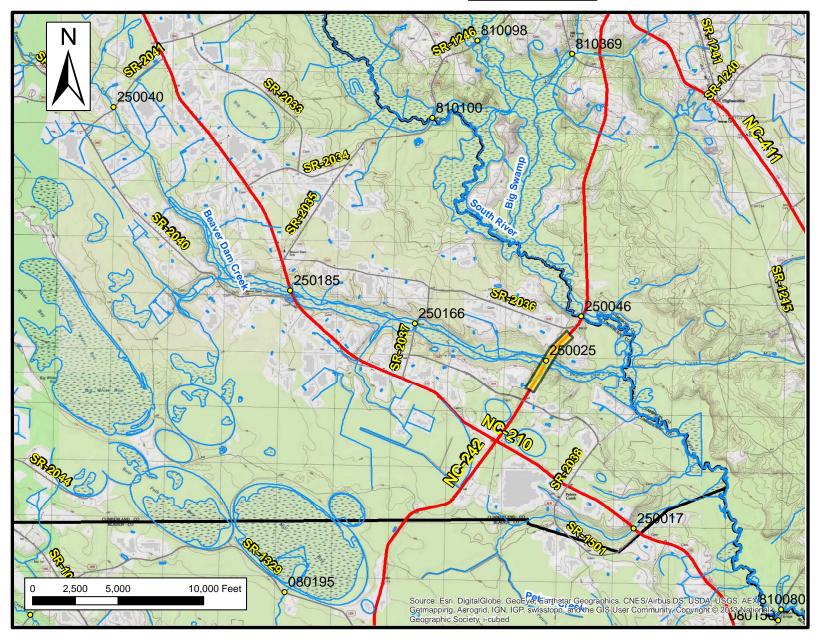


Figure 1. USGS mapping (Roseboro) showing the general project location in southeastern Cumberland County. The APE is highlighted in yellow. A built-up NC 242 crosses swampy terrain near Bridge No. 25.

"NO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUIRED" form for the Amended Minor Transportation Projects as Qualified in the 2015 Programmatic Agreement.

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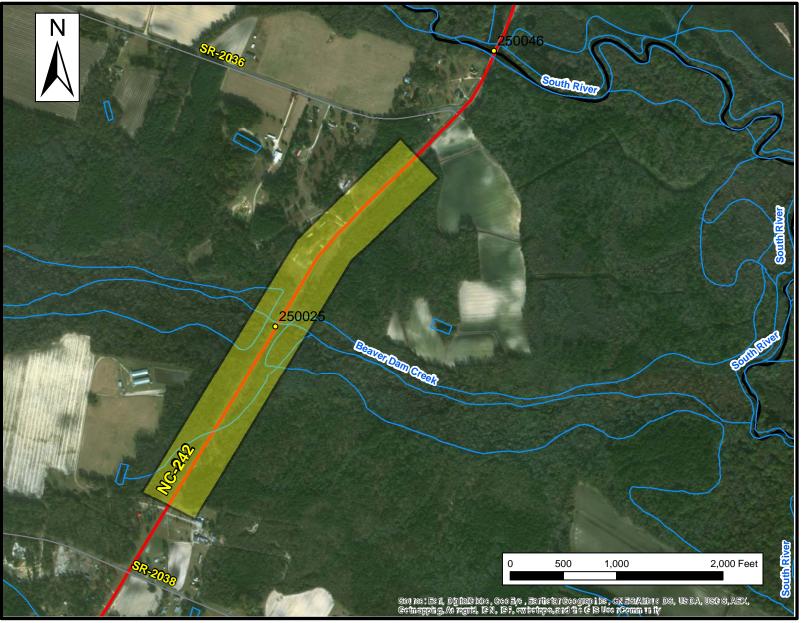


Figure 2. Aerial photograph of NC 242, Bridge No. 25, over Beaver Dam Creek and Swamp. The Area of Potential Effects and study area for the bridge replacement is approximated in yellow though actual impacts may be smaller in scale.