Martha's Vineyard Joint Transportation Committee

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Notice of Meeting Joint Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, August 19th, 2020 9:30 a.m.

Place: Martha's Vineyard Commission

33 New York Avenue, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

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- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Minutes of June 17th, 2020 Meeting
- 4. Communications
 - A. Shared Streets & Spaces Program Funding
 - B. July Traffic Comparisons from Permanent Count Stations
- 5. Reports
 - A. Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA)
 - B. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
 - C. Steamship Authority (SSA): Letter to SSA regarding JTC membership
- 6. New Business
 - A. Northeastern Capstone Project: North Tisbury Bridge to Old Stage Road Final Design
- 7. Old Business
 - A. MassDOT Traffic Counting Program
- 8. Other Business
 - A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies
 - B. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues
- 9. Adjournment
 - A. Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, September 16th, 2020 @ 9:30 AM

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DRAFT - Minutes of the Meeting of June 17th, 2020

Held at the MVC Offices, 33 New York Avenue, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

In Attendance

JTC Voting Members

Angie Gompert, VTA
Adam Turner, MVC
Peter Cook, Chilmark
Jen Rand, West Tisbury
Tristan Israel, County of Dukes County
Kirk Metell, Tisbury

Ex-officio Members

Derek Shooster, MassDOT Boston Pam Haznar, MassDOT District 5 Simon Shapiro, MV Bike & Ped Committee Barbara Lachance, MassDOT District 5

Others in Attendance

Bill Veno, MVC Senior Planner
Dan Doyle, MVC Special Projects Planner
Mike Mauro, MVC Transportation Program Manager
Christine Flynn, MVC Economic Development and Housing

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Mr. Mauro called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. Public Comments:

There were no comments made by the public.

3. Minutes of the May 27th, 2020 Meeting:

Mr. Turner made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. The minutes of the May 27th JTC meeting were unanimously approved.

4. Communications:

A. Regional Planning Agency (RPA) PL Formula Subcommittee:

Mr. Mauro reported that a subcommittee was formed to evaluate the PL Formula which is used to allocate and distribute funds to the 13 Regional Planning Agencies throughout the Commonwealth. Ms. Haznar reported that the committee will use total population as a weighted factor but will also consider seasonal population for those regions such as Nantucket, Cape Cod, and Martha's Vineyard. Mr. Mauro stated that the intent of this process is to determine if there is a need to consider any changes to the formula. This process is in fact, supported and applauded by FHWA who encourages periodic examination of the distribution formula even if the outcome remains status quo. No formula will be implemented until it is fully vetted through TMG and MARPA. This effort is building the foundation to support discussions with our state and federal partners regarding funding distributions in order to continue in a fair and transparent process. No matter the outcome, these formulas need to be reexamined periodically to ensure they continue work for the planning process both regionally and throughout the commonwealth.

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B. Shared Streets and Spaces Program:

Mr. Mauro reported on a new grant program called: Shared Streets and Spaces. With the ever-growing expansion of outdoor spaces for people during the COVID-19 pandemic, a new grant program has been established to assist communities offset any loss as soon as possible. The intent of the program is to assist cities and towns to make changes to their streetscapes in response to the Covid-19 public health crisis. The program is a quick launch/quick build grant program providing grants as small as \$5,000 and as large as \$300,000 to expand improvements to sidewalks, curbs, streets, on-street parking spaces and off-street parking lots in support of public health, safe mobility, and renewed commerce in their communities. Ms. Haznar strongly encouraged the municipalities to apply. Mr. Shooster reminded the group that although the MVC will be more than happy to assist you in your efforts the ask needs to come directly from the municipality itself.

Mr. Veno provided several projects that the towns have discussed in the past or are about to actively pursue as examples that could in fact qualify for the program:

Chilmark: Beetlebung Corner Pedestrian Improvements; Menemsha Implementation Plan **Edgartown**: Middle Main signage and crosswalks at the end of the SUP by jail; temporary one-way circulation on Pinehurst.

Oak Bluffs: Improvements to promote increased compliance by northbound cyclists to exit Seaview Ave SUP at crosswalk before end of SUP

Tisbury: Marking of Bike Routes Downtown

West Tisbury: Temporary traffic calming through town center

Aquinnah: Aquinnah Circle

Gosnold: Sidewalks

Mr. Veno also reported that there is a webinar being held tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. discussing options for accommodating retailers and food establishments during these times of social distancing, and to hear about the Shared Streets and Spaces Program. Registration is required.

5. Reports:

A. Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA):

Ms. Gompert reported that the Church Street Terminal Expansion Project was voted down at Town Meeting. She also reported that the Board of Selectmen have established a working group to look at the charging station concerns which seemed to be the main objections to the project. Mr. Veno reported that he would be working with this group and it in fact will focus on that aspect of the project.

B. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC):

Mr. Shapiro reported that Greg Politz needed to be reappointed to the Bike and Ped Committee as the Tisbury representative. Mr. Turner made a motion to reappoint Mr. Politz to the Committee. Mr. Israel seconded the motion and suggested that the Committee also send a letter to the Board of Selectmen making mention of the reappointment.

C. Steamship Authority (SSA):

The group discussed sending a letter to Robert Davis, Executive Director of the Steamship Authority requesting that they appoint a representative and an alternate to the JTC. The last attending SSA rep was from 2009-2013. Mr. Mauro reported that he has been appointed to the SSA Traffic Mitigation Working Group and will submit a letter to the SSA as well as the MV Representative to the SSA Board of Governors.

6. New Business:

A. Endorsement of the FFY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP):

Mr. Mauro distributed the Final Draft FFY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for endorsement. He highlighted the few editorial edits that needed to be made such as the Federal Title VI/Non-Discrimination Protections languages and translation services. There were no comments submitted during the comment period other than those received by MassDOT and members of the JTC. Mr. Turner made a motion to endorse the DRAFT FFY 2021 UPWP as FINAL. Ms. Rand seconded the motion. The FFY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program was unanimously approved and endorsed. Mr. Mauro reported that he would place the final document on the website as soon as he receives the signatory endorsements.

7. Old Business:

A. Regional Concerns and Local Technical Assistance Studies:

Mr. Doyle reported that he would be putting together a quick traffic comparison from the permanent traffic counting stations during the pandemic. He did report that from April to May, the stations have seen an increase in upwards of 66%.

8. Other Business:

A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies:

There was nothing to report.

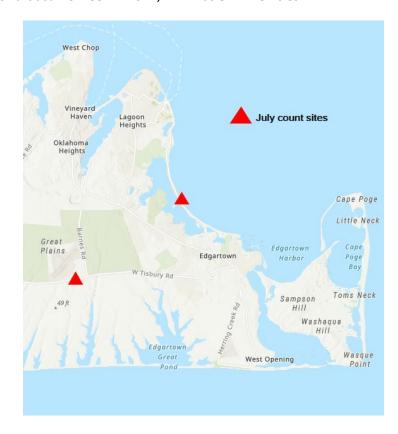
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The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

COVID comparison: July Traffic

EDGARTOWN-WT ROAD: If you feel as if the road has been quieter compared to past summers, you're right. MVC compared nearly a week's worth of July's vehicular volume data for the same spell back in 2017. **Traffic was down nearly 14% in 2020** at this site, just west of Barnes Road. Average Daily Traffic (ADT) was 11,804 vehicles in '17. ADT was 10,208 vehicles for the July stretch this year, nearly 1600 vehicles fewer.

BEACH ROAD: Despite pandemic advisories, **traffic along Beach Road was only down 3%** for the first full week in July when compared to the same snapshot in 2017. ADT for that interval this summer was just shy of **7900** cars. For that same week in 2017, ADT was **8172** vehicles.



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July 30th, 2020

Mr. Davis,

The Martha's Vineyard Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) requests that the Steamship Authority (SSA) appoint a representative and an alternate to the JTC for 2020. The Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) is an advisory committee to the Martha's Vineyard Commission and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The JTC provides a valuable forum for citizen involvement in the in-depth and ongoing process of selecting the proper combination and scheduling of local and regional transportation projects through the development of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), thereby ensuring the optimized utilization of financially limited resources. Thus, the County, Municipalities, the Commission and Metropolitan Planning Organization rely on the JTC for input and guidance on matters pertaining to transportation. It consists of appointed representatives from the six Island Towns, the County of Dukes County, the Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA), and the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah), as well as non-voting representatives from the Steamship Authority (SSA), Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Authority (FTA), and other transportation providers and users. The JTC meets monthly to discuss transportation issues and projects. It oversees the preparation of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

The last attending Steamship Authority (SSA) representative was Bridget Tobin from 2009-2013. Attendance is critical, especially for the voting representatives, as the state and federal governments require timely action on a variety of issues.

Please confirm your appointments to the JTC by contacting the Transportation Program Manager or Executive Director at the MVC (508-693-3453). Transportation is an issue that affects every resident of Martha's Vineyard, and only by working with all Island stakeholders can we develop a transportation system that meets everyone's needs.

Regards,

Michael A. Mauro, Transportation Program Manager (MVC)

Cc: Adam Turner, Executive Director (MVC)
James Malkin, SSA Martha's Vineyard Board Member
Sean Driscoll, Communications Director (SSA)
Douglas Sederholm, Chairman (MVC)
Jim Vercruysse, Aquinnah Representative (MVC)
Alex Elvin, General Planner (MVC)

COMPLETING STATE ROAD

IN THE TOWN OF

WEST TISBURY, MA
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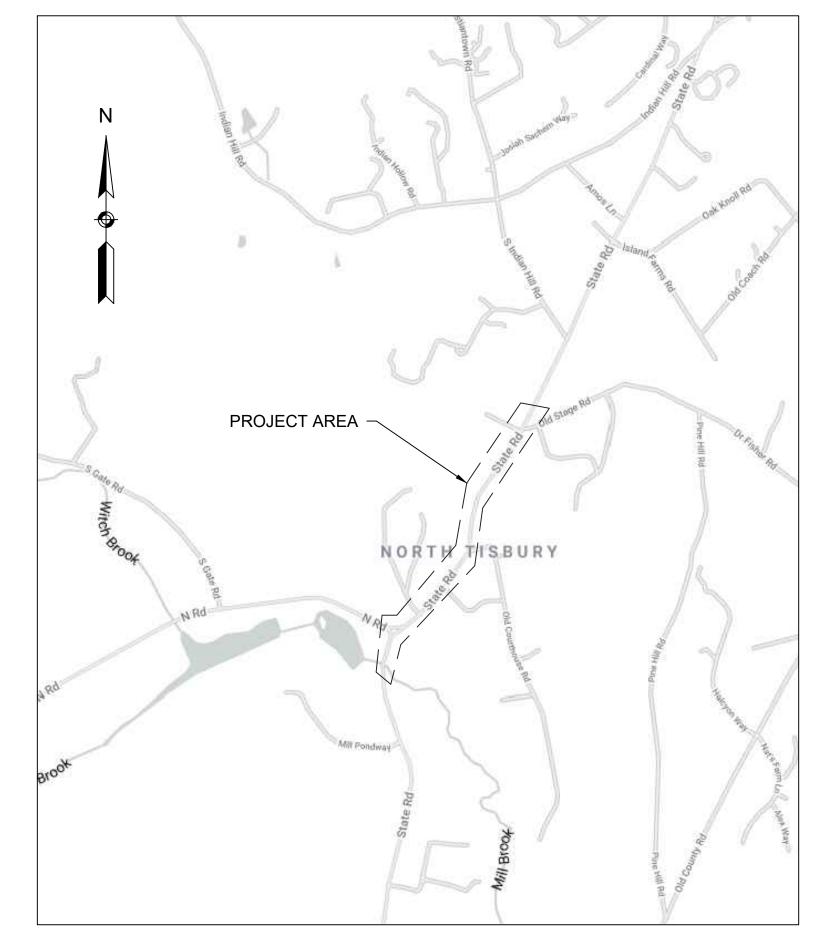
1 TITLE SHEET & INDEX
2 NOTES, LEGEND & ABBREVIATIONS
3-4 TYPICAL CROSS SECTIONS
5 KEY PLAN
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THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES DATED 1988, AS AMENDED, THE SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS DATED JULY 1, 2015, THE OCTOBER 2017 CONSTRUCTION STANDARD DETAILS, THE 2015 OVERHEAD SIGNAL STRUCTUR AND FOUNDATION STANDARD DRAWINGS, MASSDOT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLANS AND DETAIL DRAWINGS, THE LATEST MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES FOR STREETS AND HIGHWAYS WITH MASSACHUSETTS AMENDMENTS, THE 1990 STANDARD DRAWINGS FOR SIGNS AND SUPPORTS, THE 1968 STANDARD DRAWINGS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND HIGHWAY LIGHTING, AND THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMERICAN STANDARD FOR NURSERY STOCK, WILL GOVERN.

DESIGN DESIGNATION (STATE ROAD)

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GENERAL NOTES:

- 1. MAINTAIN EXISTING BACK OF SIDEWALK UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- 2. SIDEWALKS, RAMPS AND WALKWAYS SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT AS WELL AS BOTH LOCAL AND STATE LAWS.
- 3. ALL PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND SIGNAGE SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE MANUAL FOR UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.

LAYOUT AND MATERIALS:

- 1. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, DIMENSIONS ARE FROM THE
- FACE OF OBJECTS (CURB, WALL, BUILDING, ETC.)
- 2. CURB RADII SHALL BE 1 FT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. 3. CURBING SHALL BE ASPHALT BERM CURBING UNLESS
- OTHERWISE NOTED.
- 4. PAVEMENT MARKINGS ARE FOR GRAPHICAL PURPOSES ONLY.
- 5. SEE SHEET 12 FOR SIGNAGE DETAILS.

EXISTING CONDITIONS INFORMATION:

- 1. THE BASE PLAN NETWORK SHOWN WAS GATHERED THROUGH AERIAL IMAGERY.
- 2. LIMITED RIGHT OF WAY DATA PROVIDED BY THE TOWN OF WEST TISBURY. NORTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH ROAD AND STATE ROAD, RIGHT OF WAY WAS INFERRED FROM EXISTING CONDITIONS AS NEEDED.

SYMBOLS



SIGN POST

CENTER OF INSCRIBED CIRCLE FOR RADIUS MEASUREMENTS

ABBREVIATIONS

TYP. **TYPICAL** RIGHT OF WAY SQ. FT. SQUARE FEET **EXISTING**

PROPOSED

LEGEND

— LIMIT OF WORK CONCRETE SIDEWALK HOT MIX ASPHALT PATH **EXISTING STONE WALL**

RIGHT OF WAY

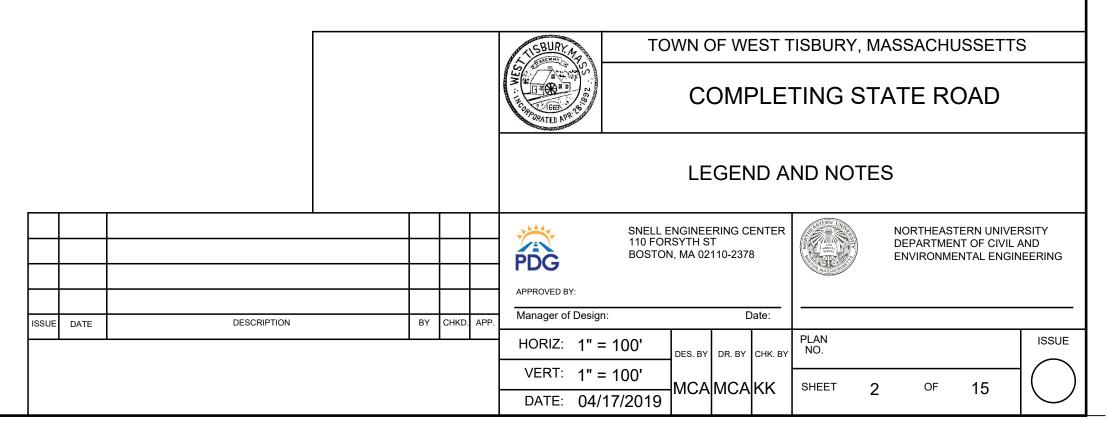
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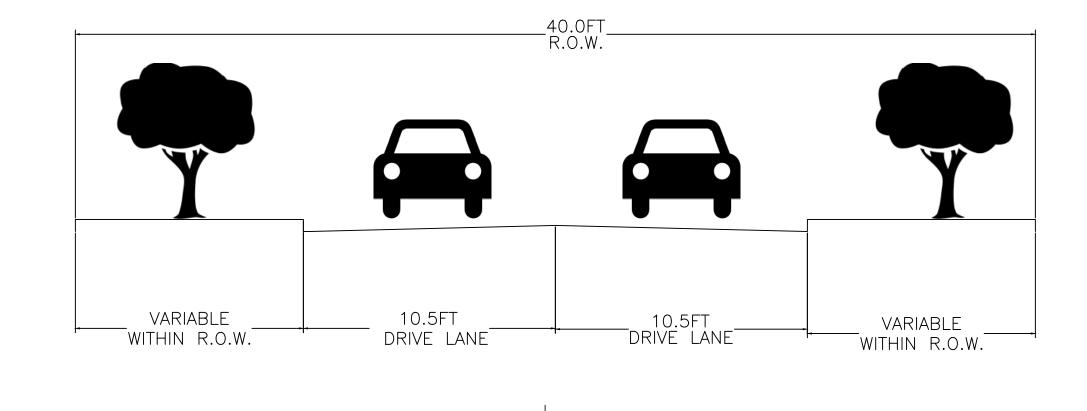
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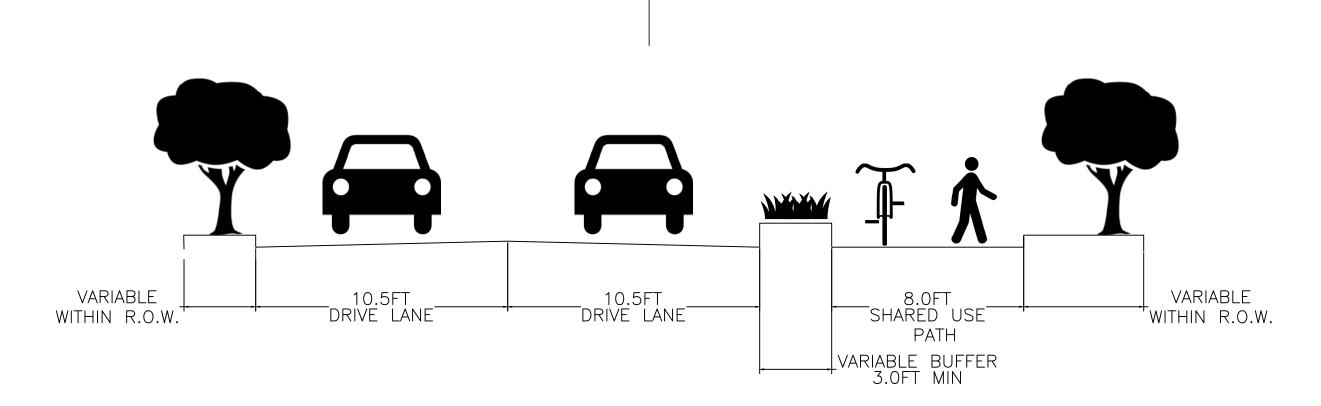
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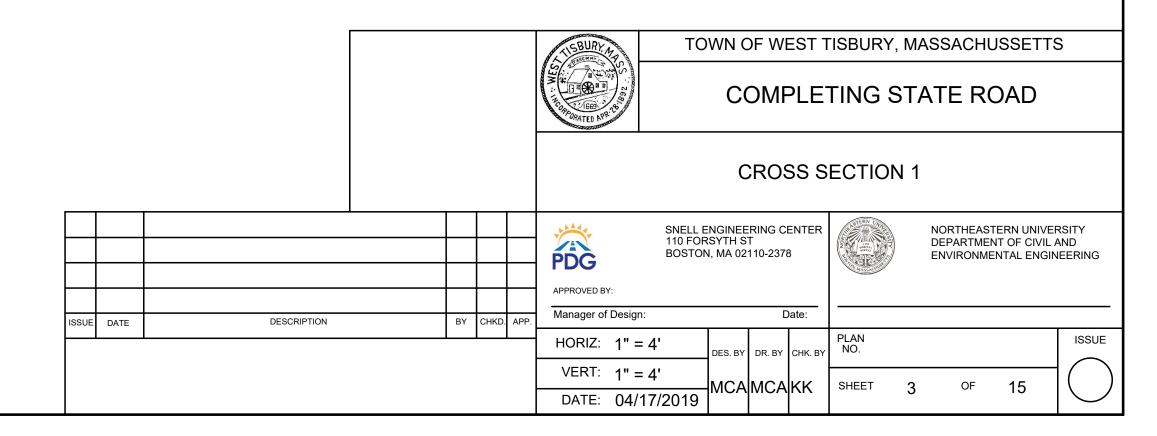




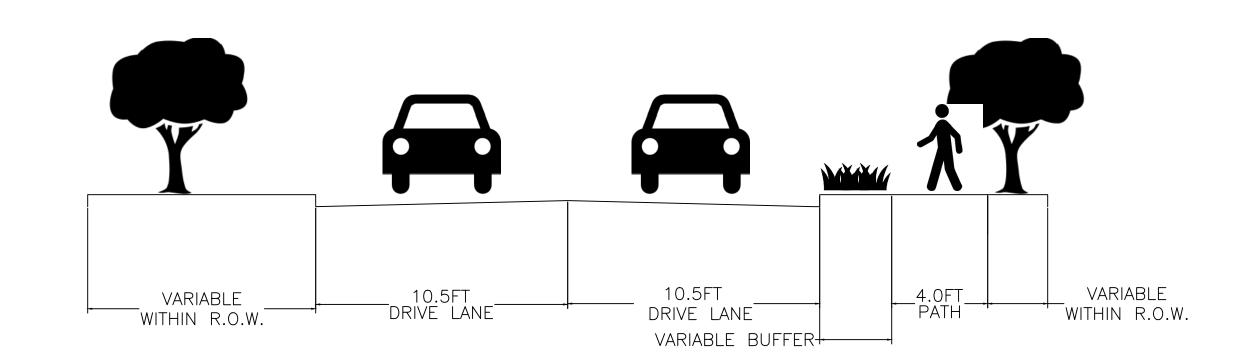


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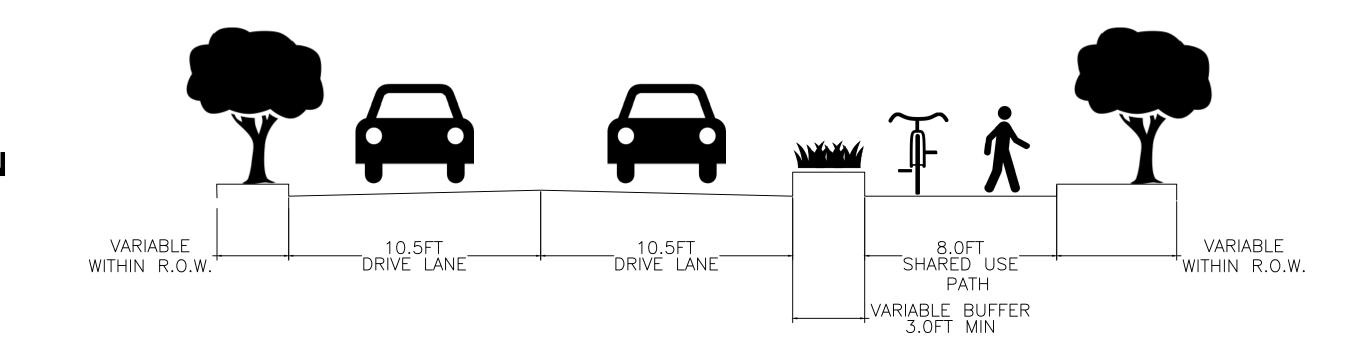


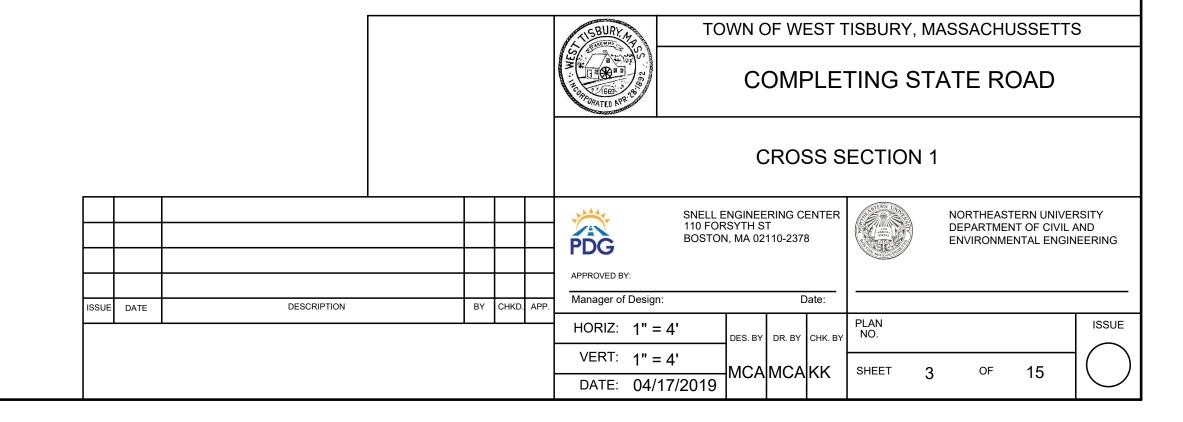




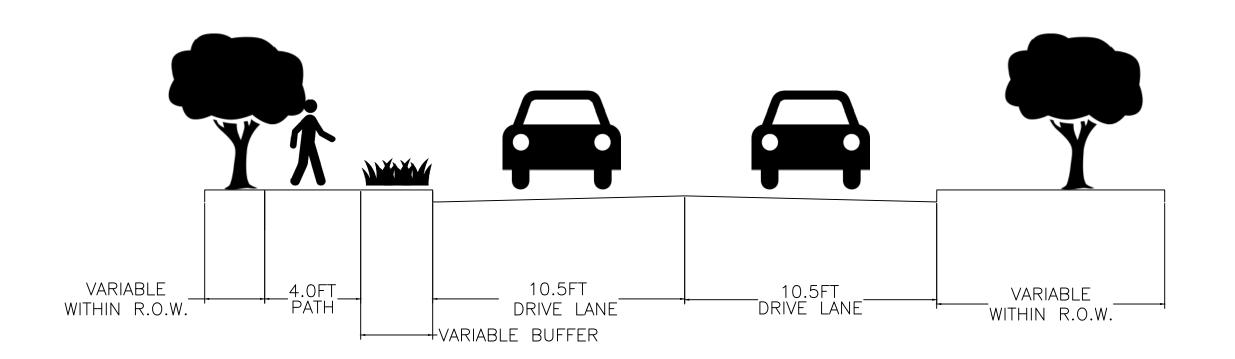


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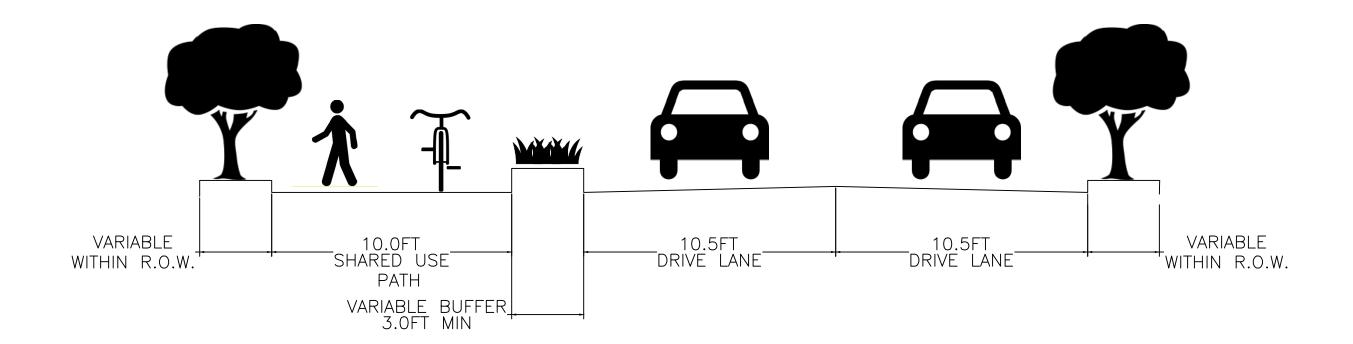


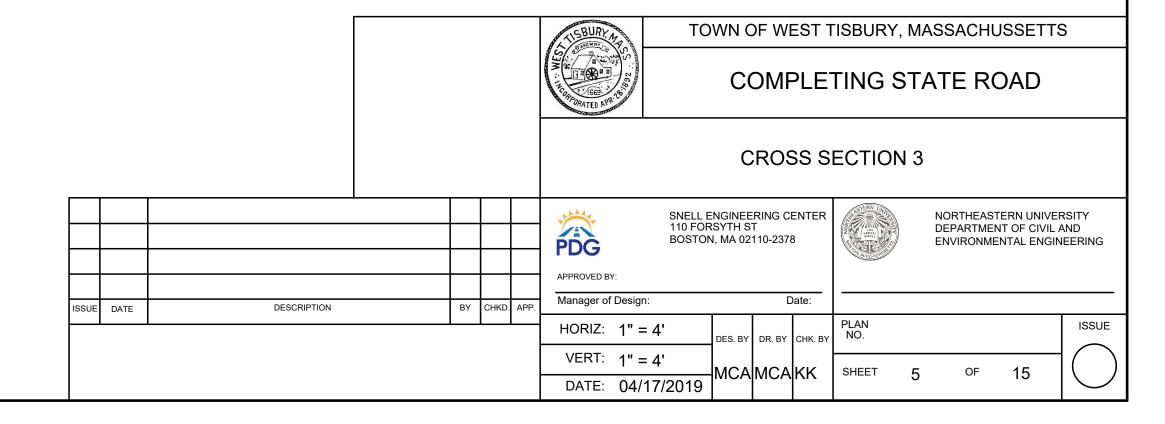


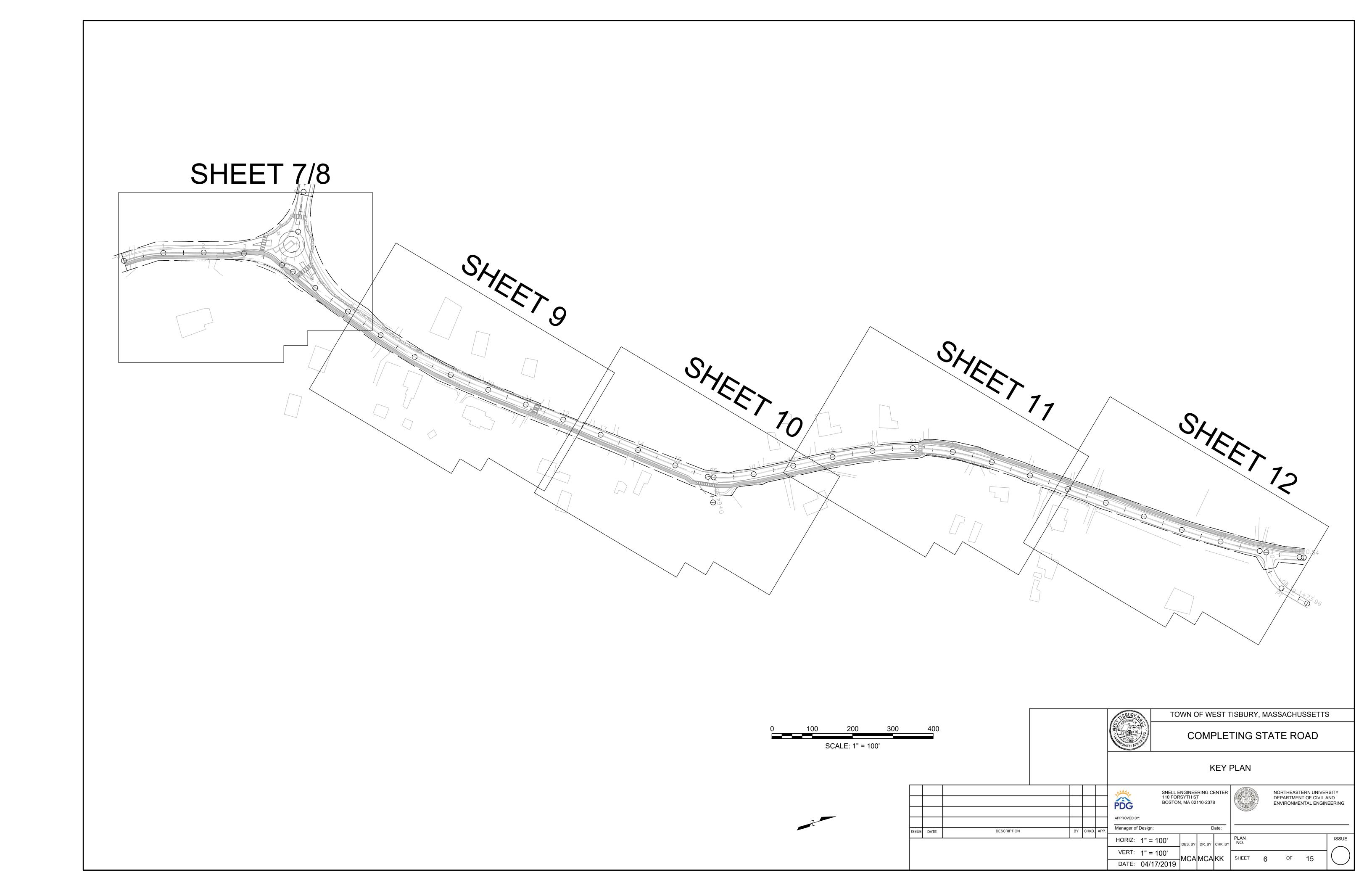


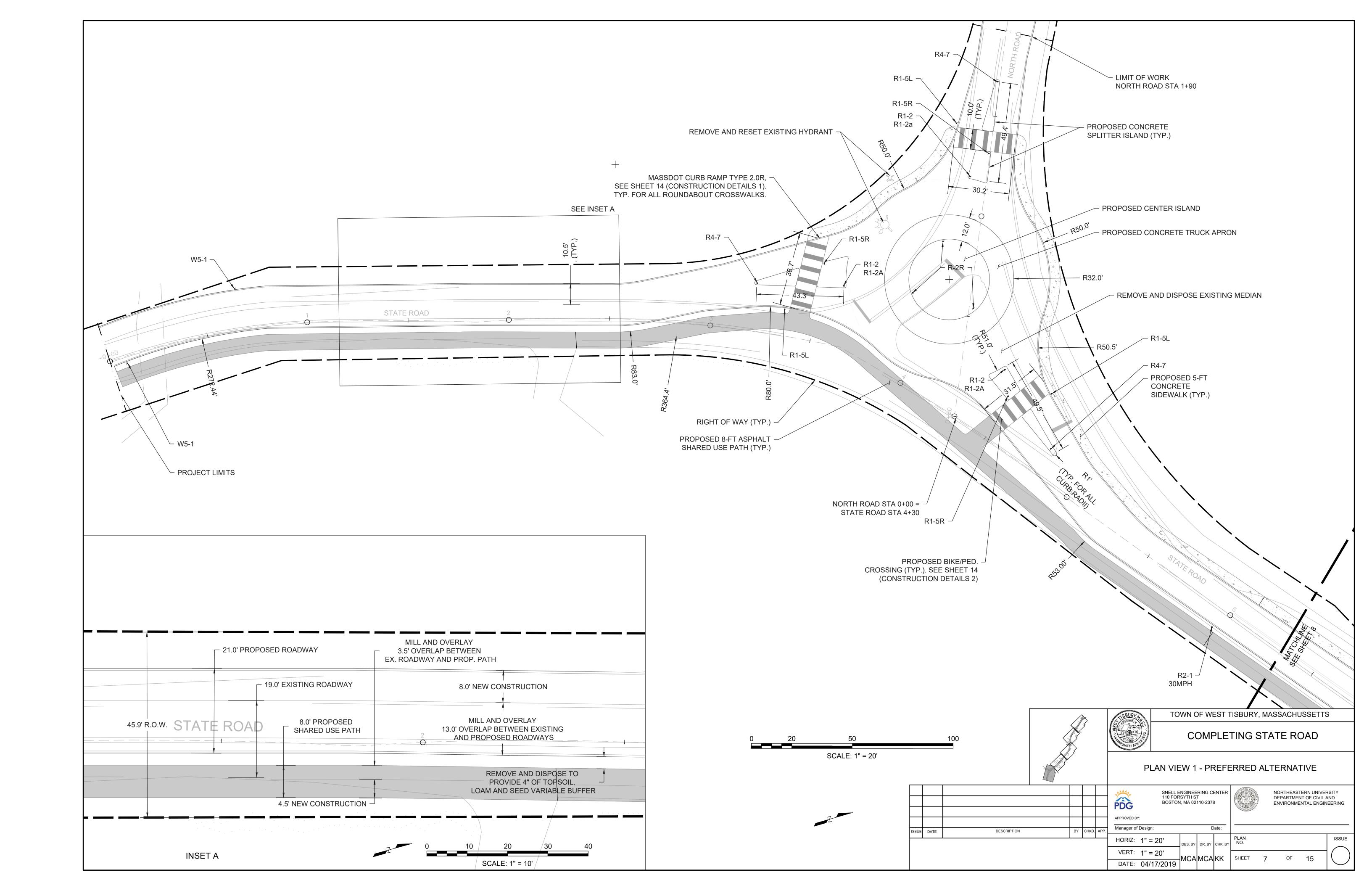


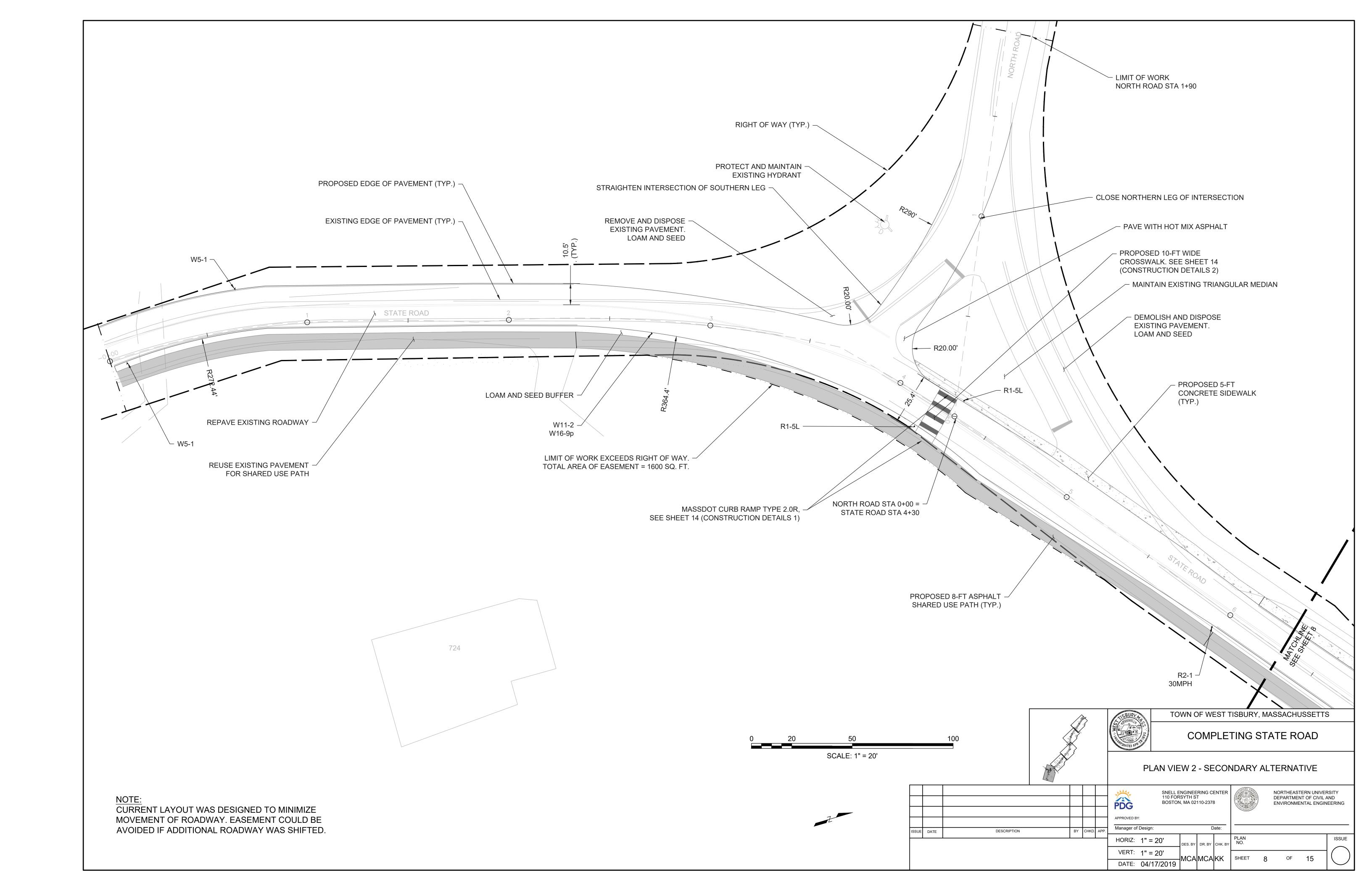
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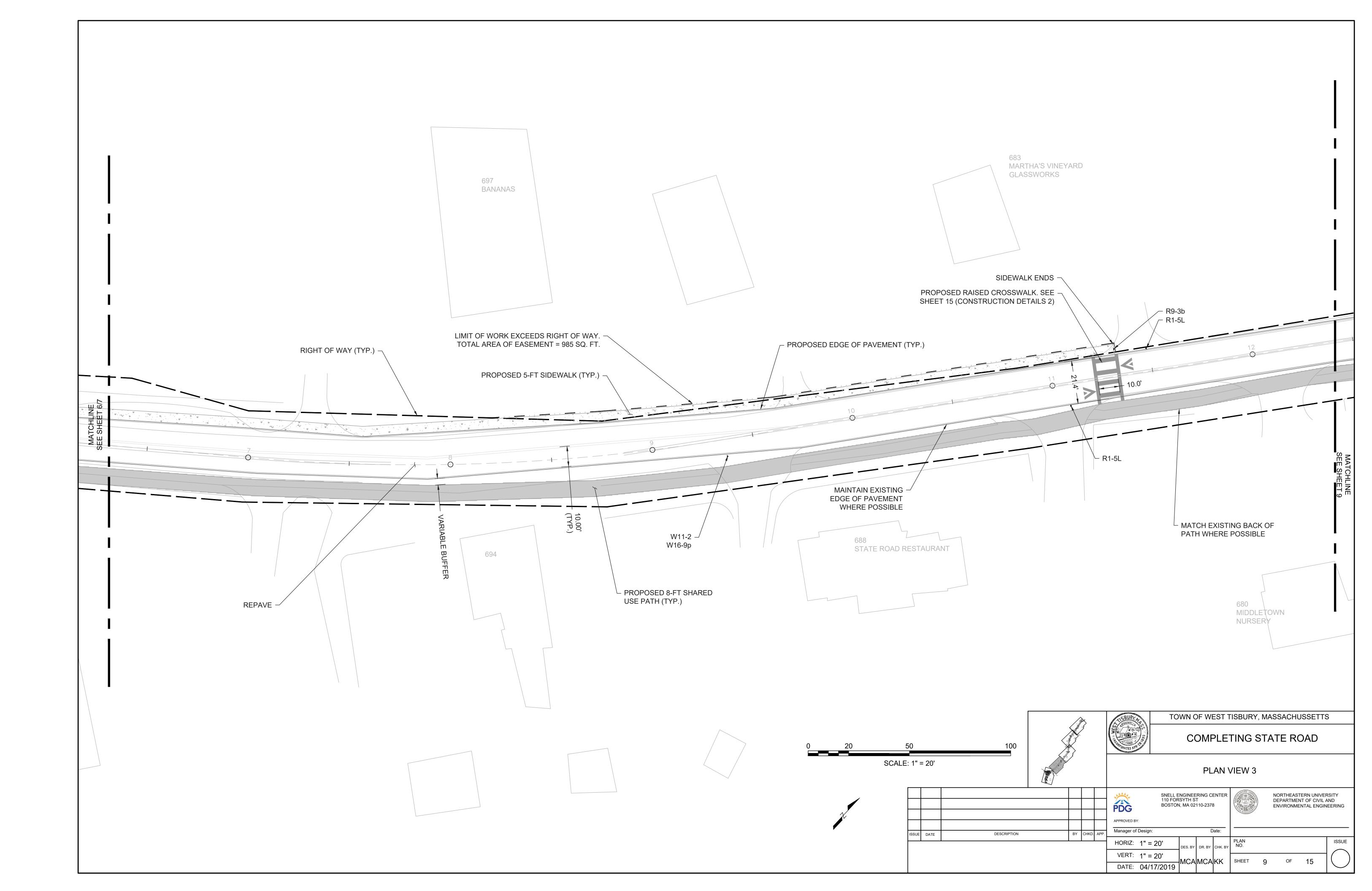


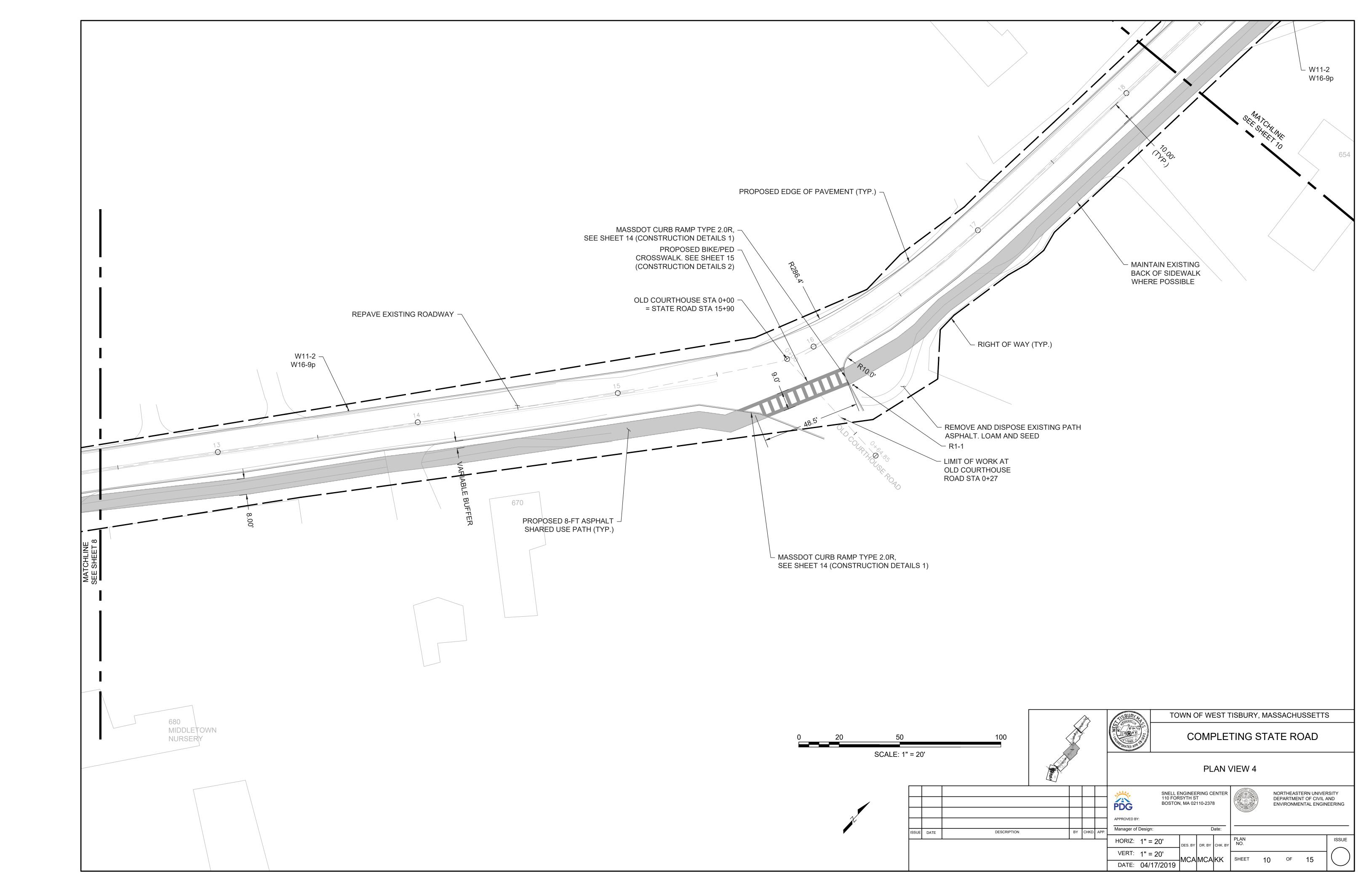


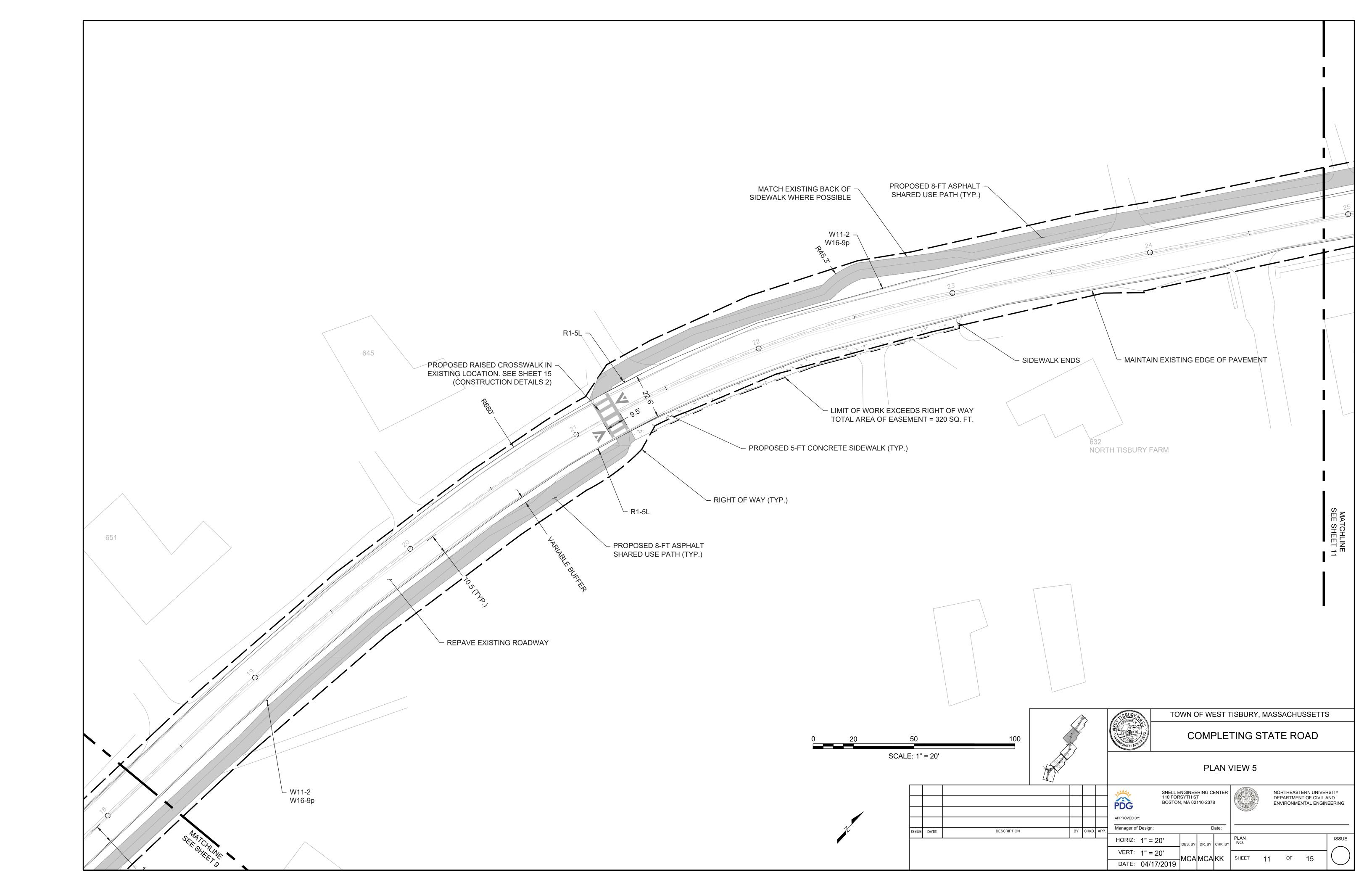


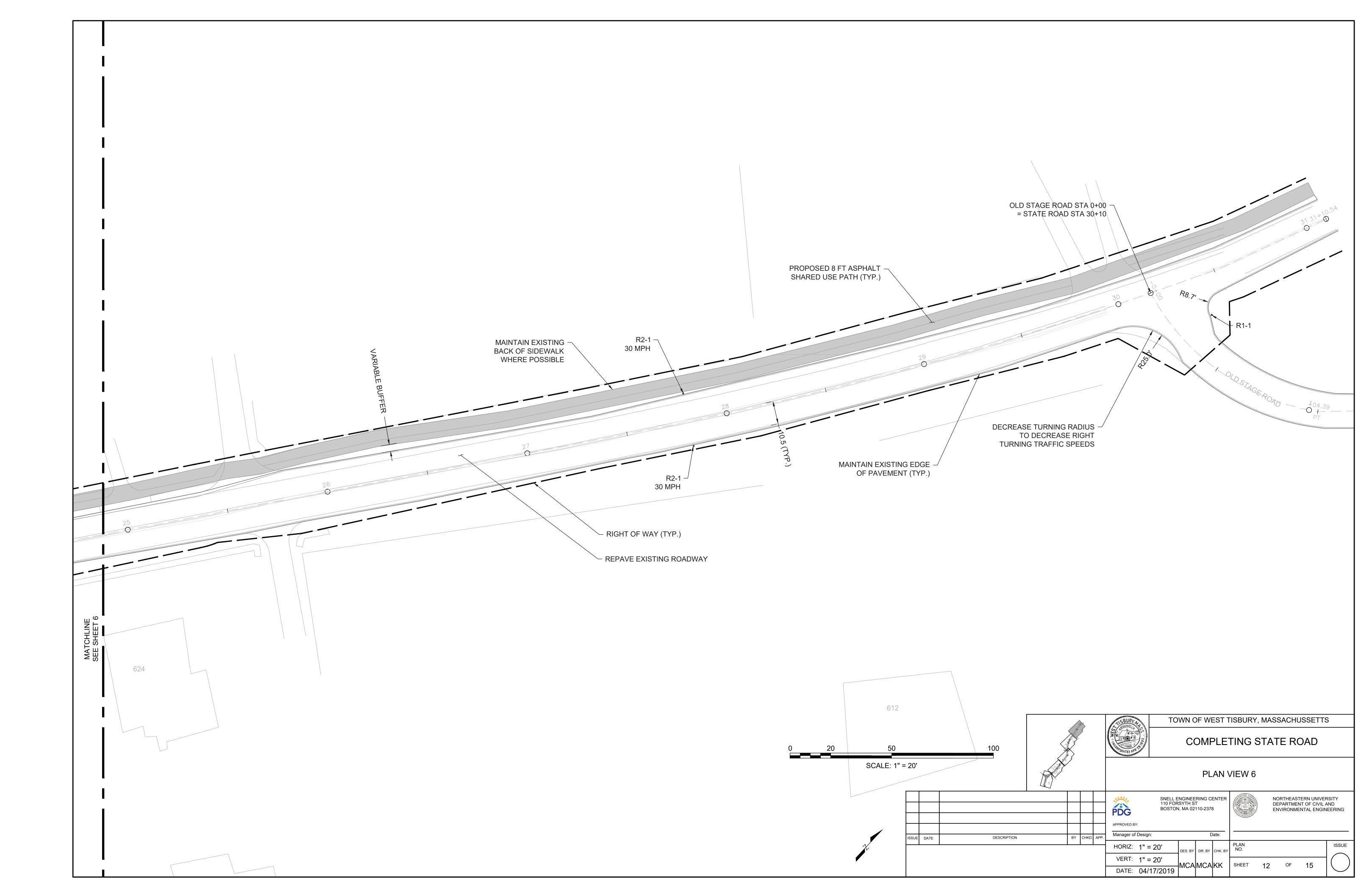


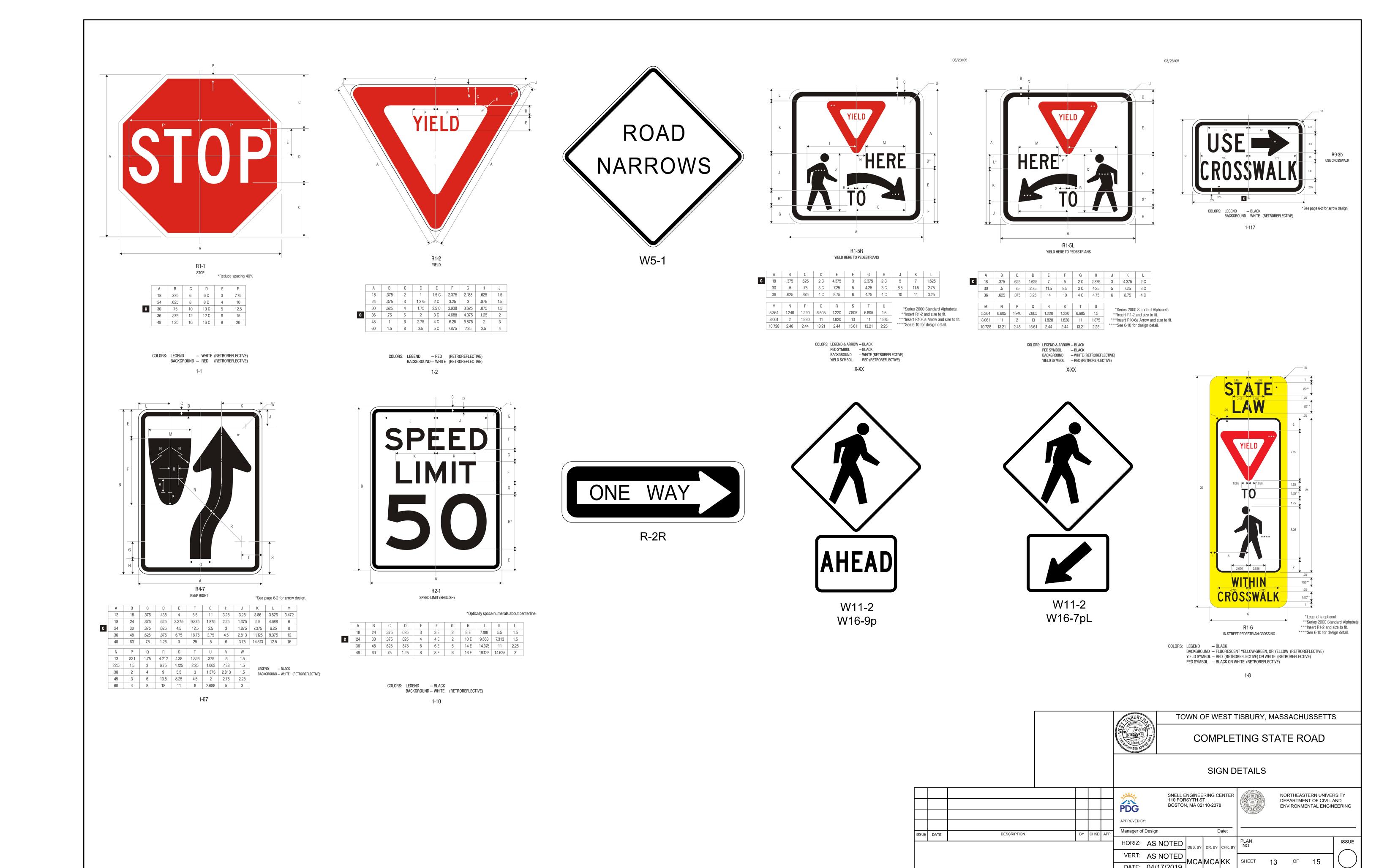




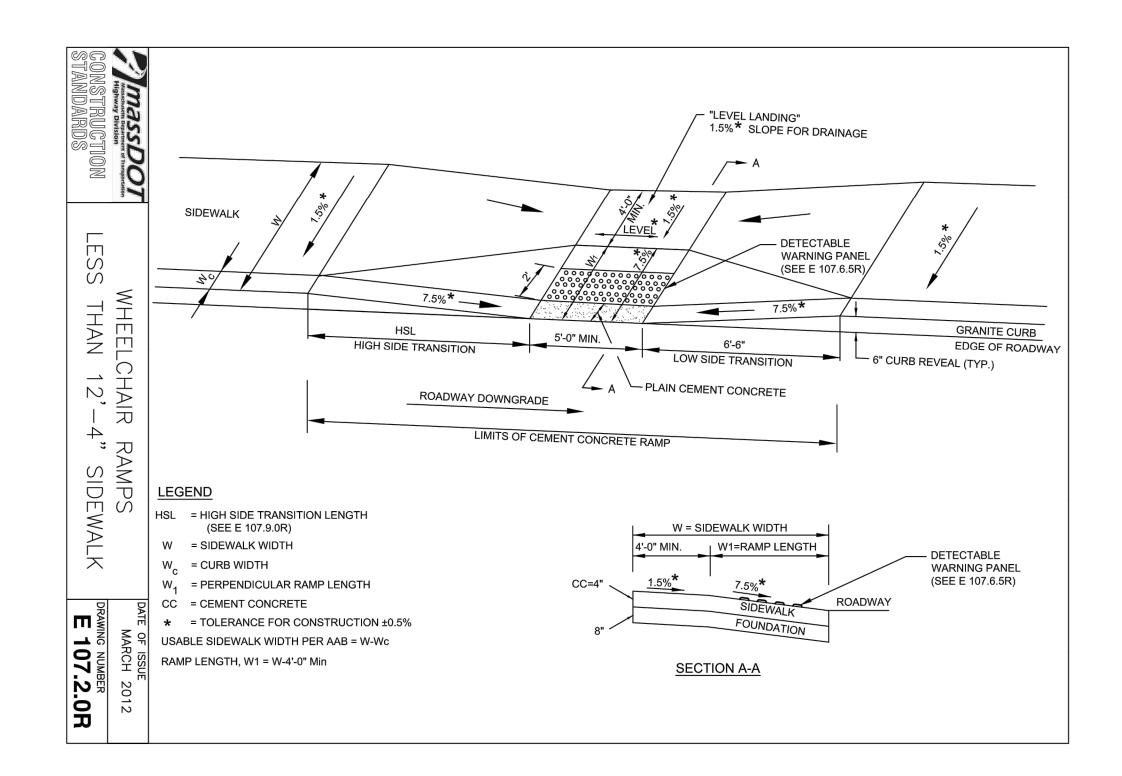


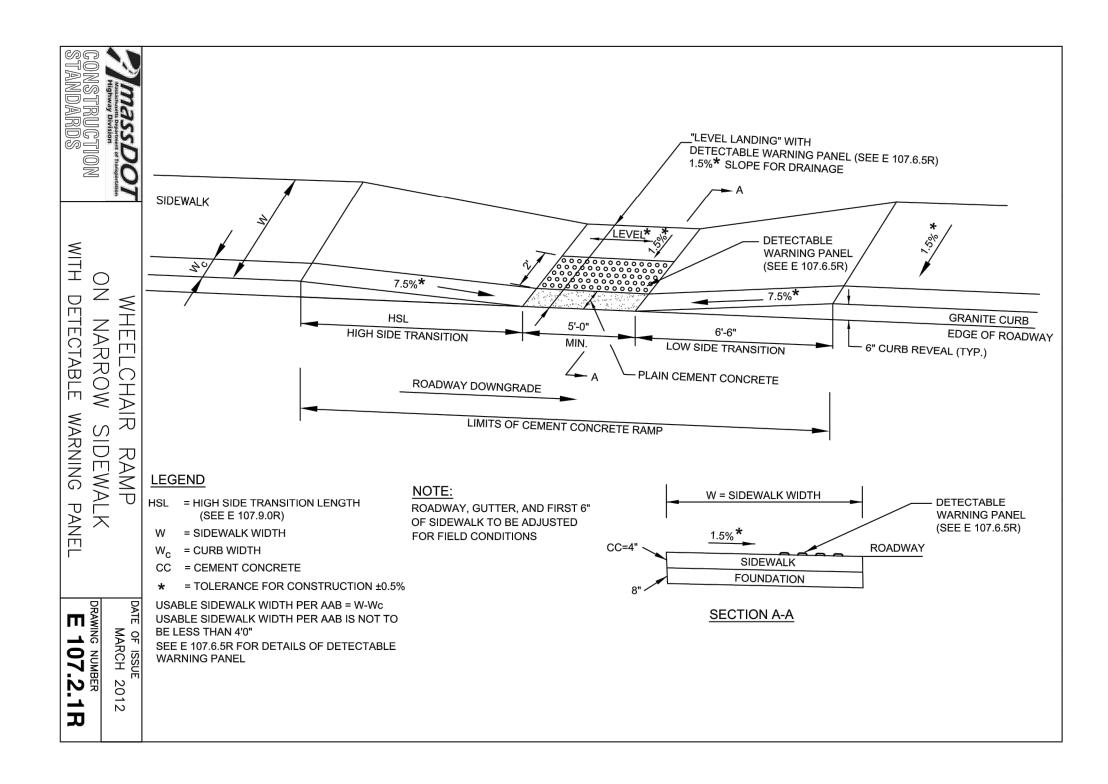


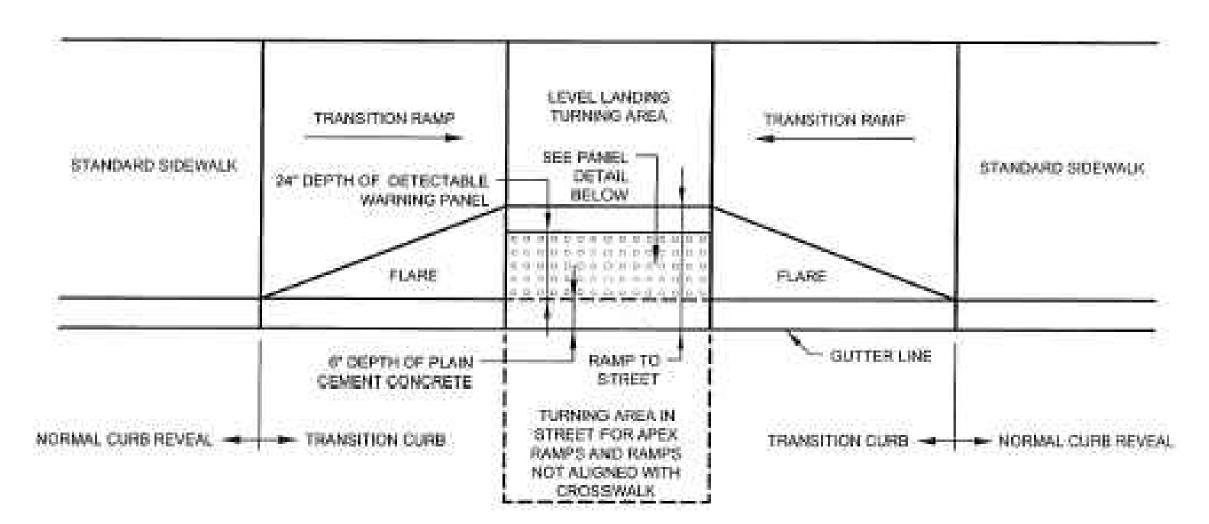




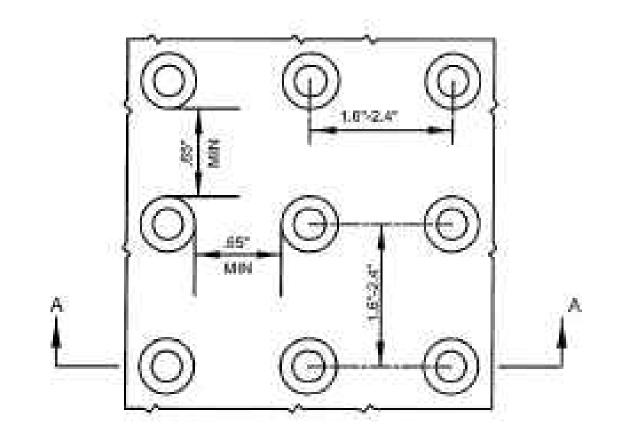
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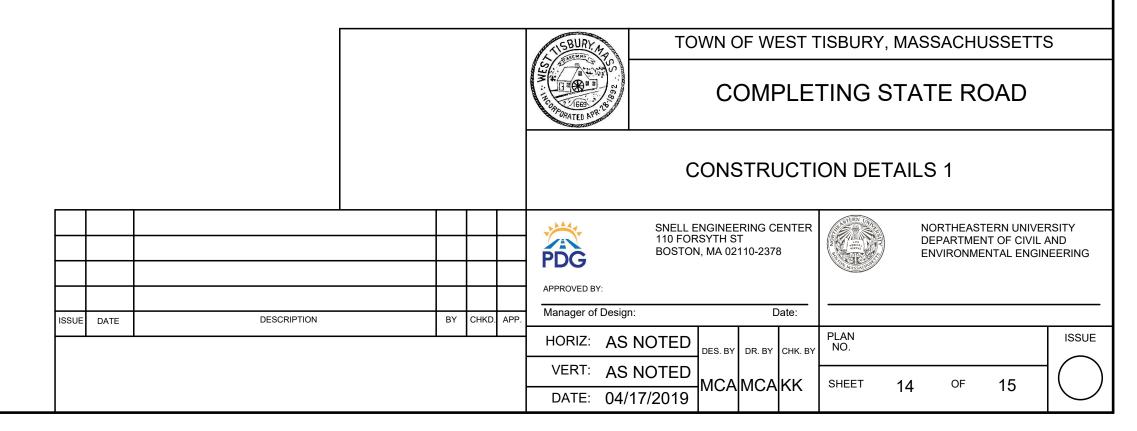


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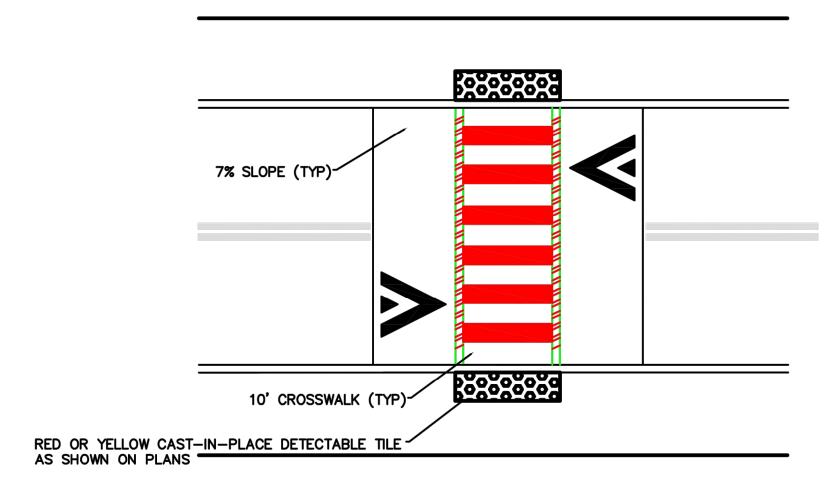


NOTE:

PANELS MAY BE CONCRETE PRECAST OR CAST IN PLACE OR OTHER SUITABLE MATERIAL PERMANENTLY APPLIED TO THE RAMP. DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACES SHALL CONTRAST VISUALLY WITH ADJACENT WALKING SURFACES EITHER LIGHT-ON-DARK, OR DARK-ON-LIGHT.

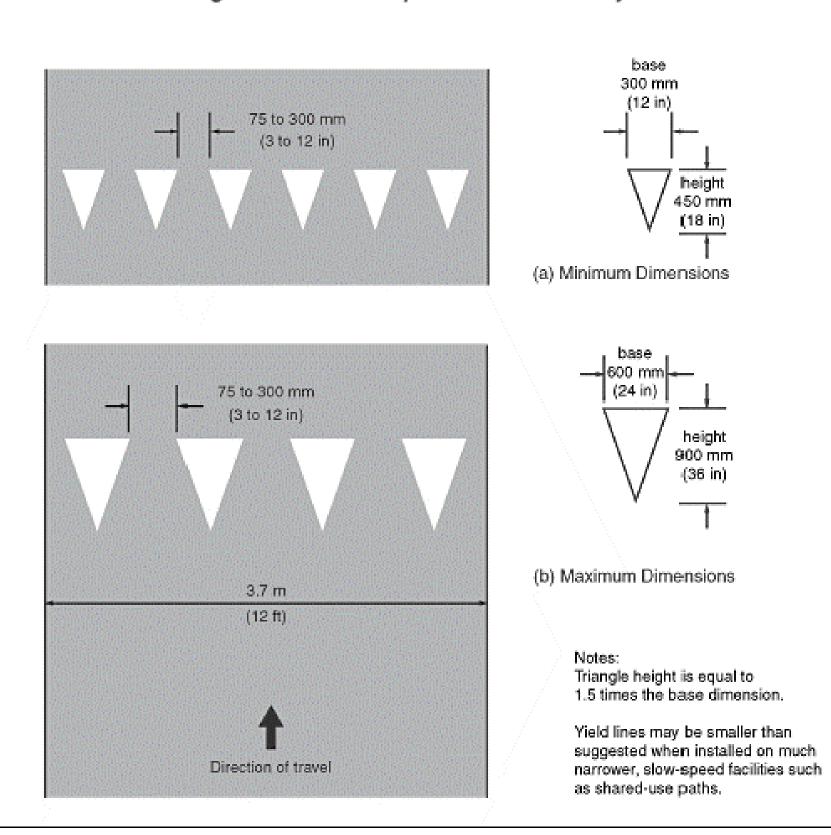


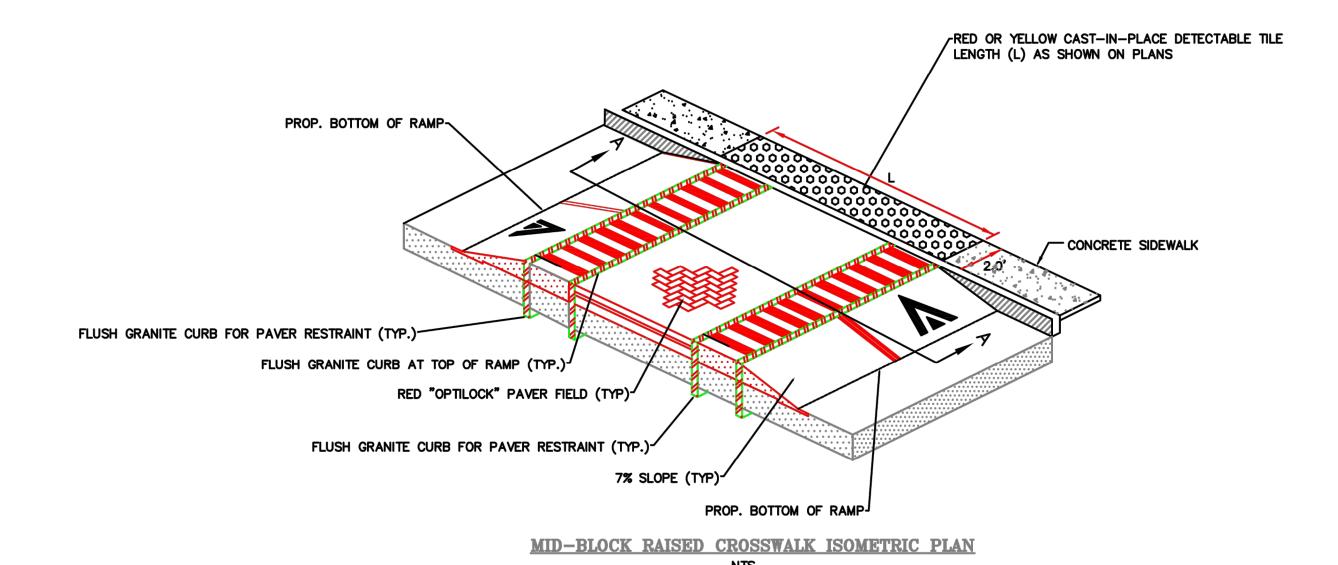
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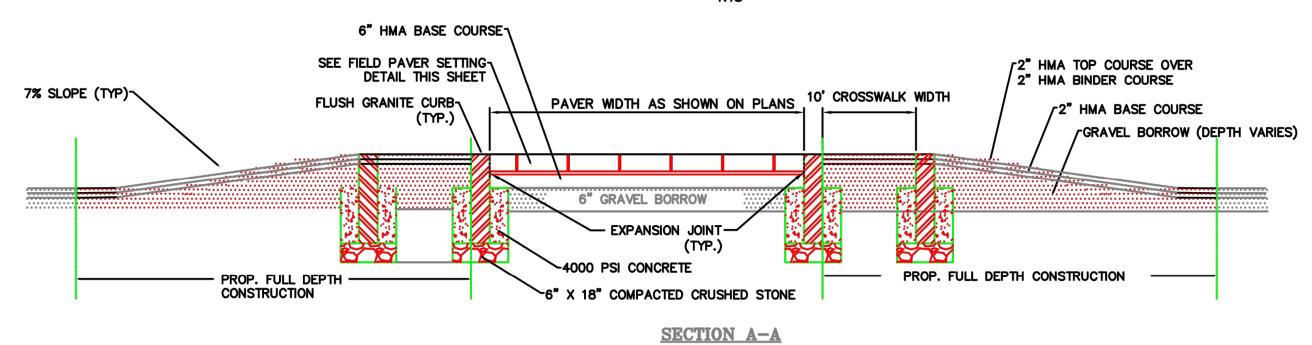


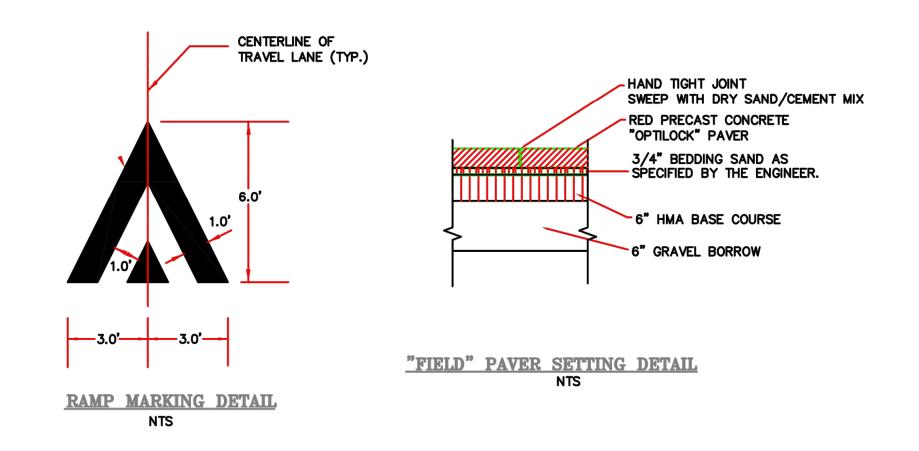
MID-BLOCK RAISED CROSSWALK PLAN

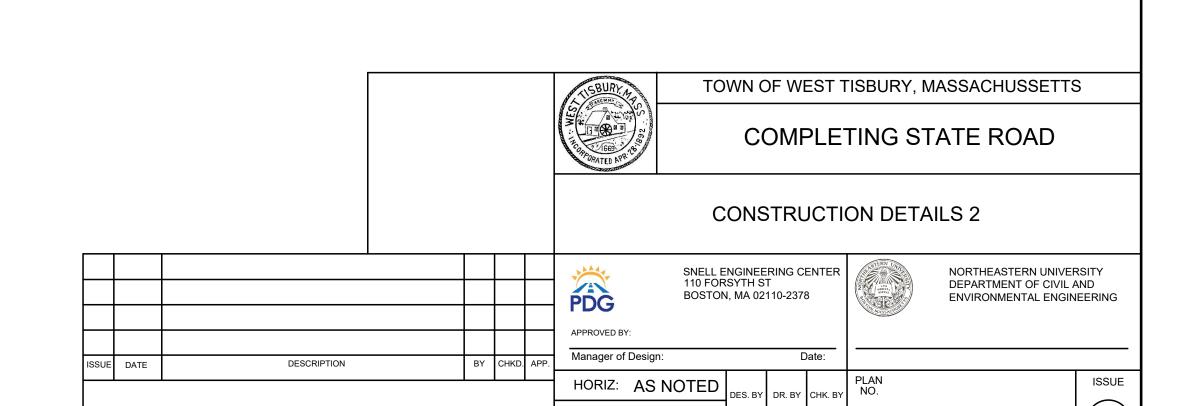
Figure 3B-14. Examples of Yield Line Layouts











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