

March 9, 2022

## Tree Assessment – Geyer Road Improvements (East side)

**Background and Scope:** The City of Frontenac is planning updates to Geyer Road south of Clayton Road that include sidewalk installation and storm water improvements. Prior consideration was given for work along the west side of Geyer Road and report provided dated October 29, 2021. The subject area for this report contains landscape trees that may be impacted by the proposed work on the east side of Geyer Road and detailed in engineered drawings by Lochmueller Group and dated 2-14-2022. The City has requested information about the location, species, size, and condition of trees in the subject area on the west side of Geyer Road. While there are multiple scenarios of work being discussed (sidewalk location, extent of stormwater work, power pole relocations), this report provides a preliminary assessment of trees to the extent requested by the City.

**Documents:** This report includes the following documents.

- Tree Map A - An engineered map prepared by Lochmueller Group with approximate tree locations added by Hansen based on a site visit that took place with city staff on March 9, 2022.
- Tree Data Table – A list of trees in the subject area along the east side of Geyer Road that would be impacted by new sidewalk and wire relocation. The list contains the following data:
  - Tree Number
  - Species – Common Name
  - Condition Rating (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, Critical, Dead)
  - DBH – Trunk diameter at 4.5 feet above ground
  - Distance from existing curb – in feet
  - Sidewalk impacts on the tree (X indicates yes)
  - Overhead wire relocation impacts on the tree (X indicates yes)
  - Tree Comments

**Findings:** Individual subject trees on the east side of Geyer in the subject area were numbered and assessed and included in the documents identified above. A total of 37 trees were assessed along the east side. Additionally, there are areas of heavy honeysuckle growth that provides screening from the road for adjacent homes. There are 6 trees within the estimated work zone that would be affected by sidewalk construction activities. And, there are 33 trees that would be impacted by additional pruning or removal needed to accommodate relocation of wires. Of those 33 trees affected by relocation of wires, there are 8 that may need to be removed. One tree was recorded that is in critical condition and urgently needs to be removed regardless of any proposed plans.

As a review, the preliminary findings from the October 29, 2021 report indicated the following:

*A preliminary assessment of trees along the east side of Geyer indicates very few trees that would be impacted by sidewalk construction. However, there are several areas of honeysuckle and other invasive shrubbery that would be affected. This vegetation provides screening,*

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*albeit from an exotic and invasive plant species. Accommodations for pruning or removing this vegetation will be required.*

*There are some areas along the eastern route where removal of the honeysuckle will greatly exaggerate views of larger trees (white pines, etc) that have been pruned for utility clearance in the past. The shrubby vegetation provides a bit of a visual buffer to the upper canopies of these pine trees. While fewer trees may be impacted along the eastern route, consideration should be given to potential impacts to this lower vegetation and the resulting views and future maintenance of any replacement plants that may be considered.*

The information provided in October, 2021 is still valid. Current information about the relocation of power lines increases the impact to 33 trees needing increased pruning or removal.

Respectfully submitted,



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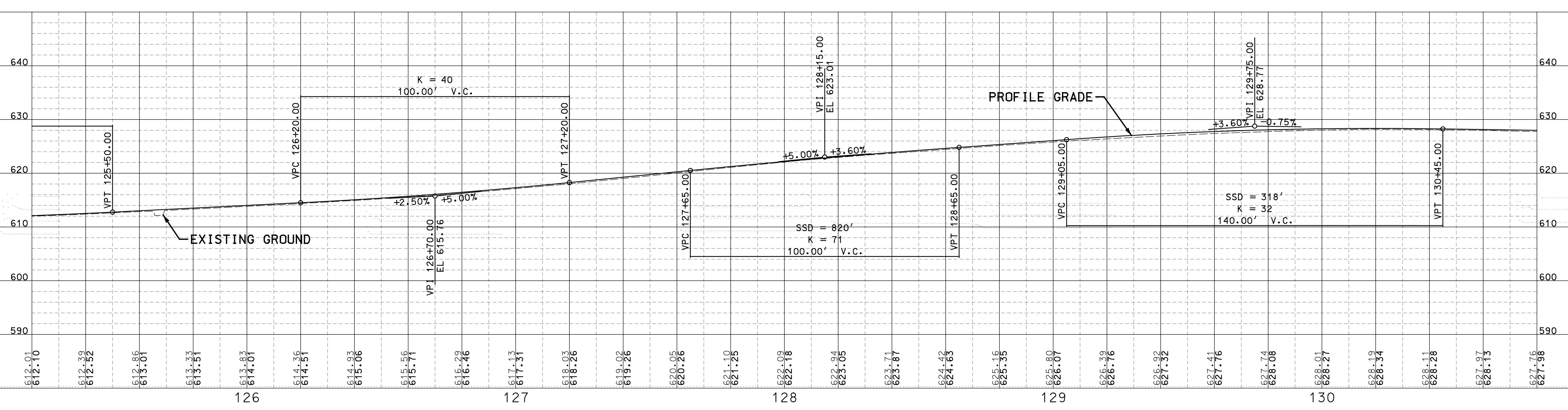
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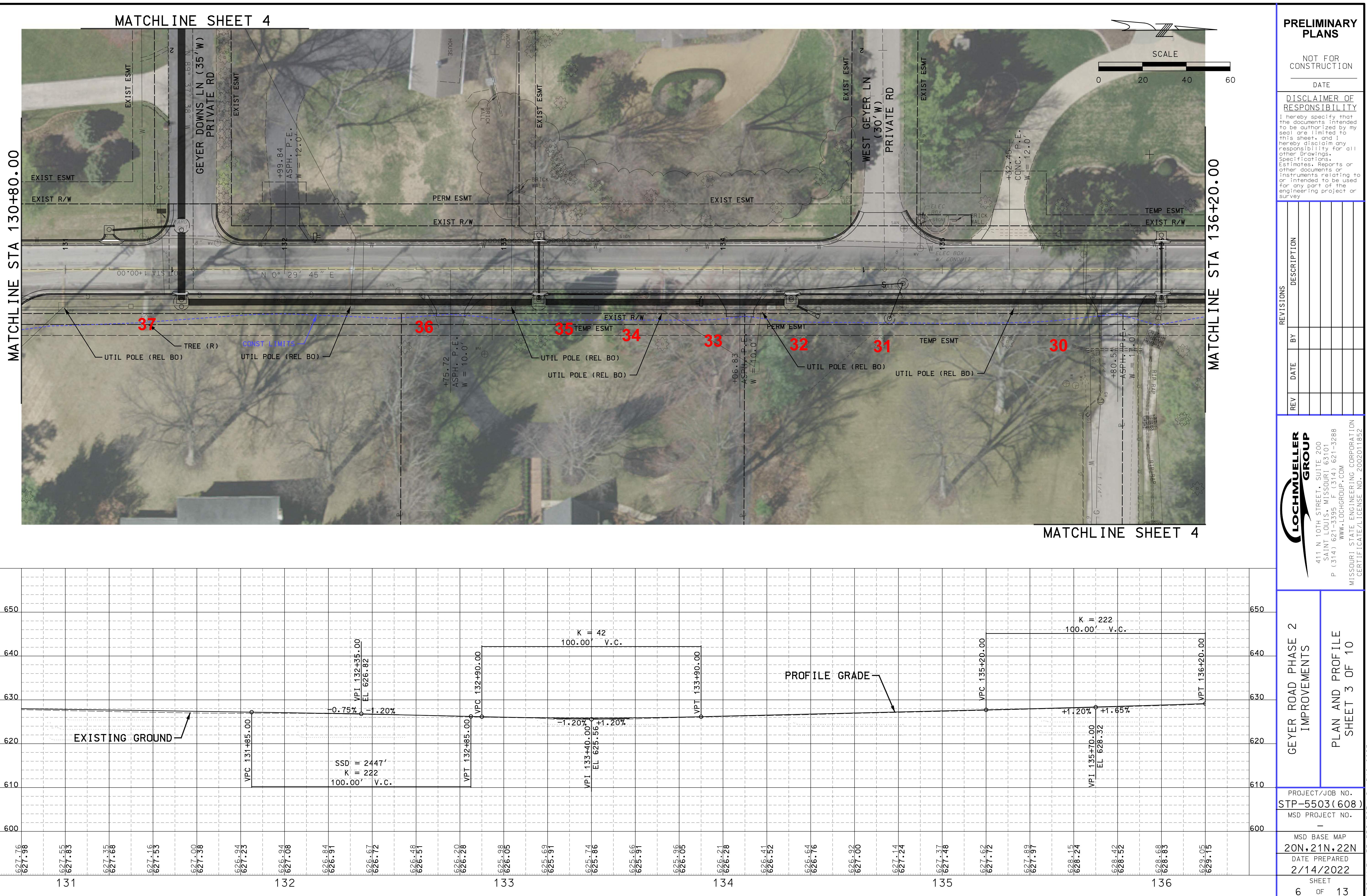


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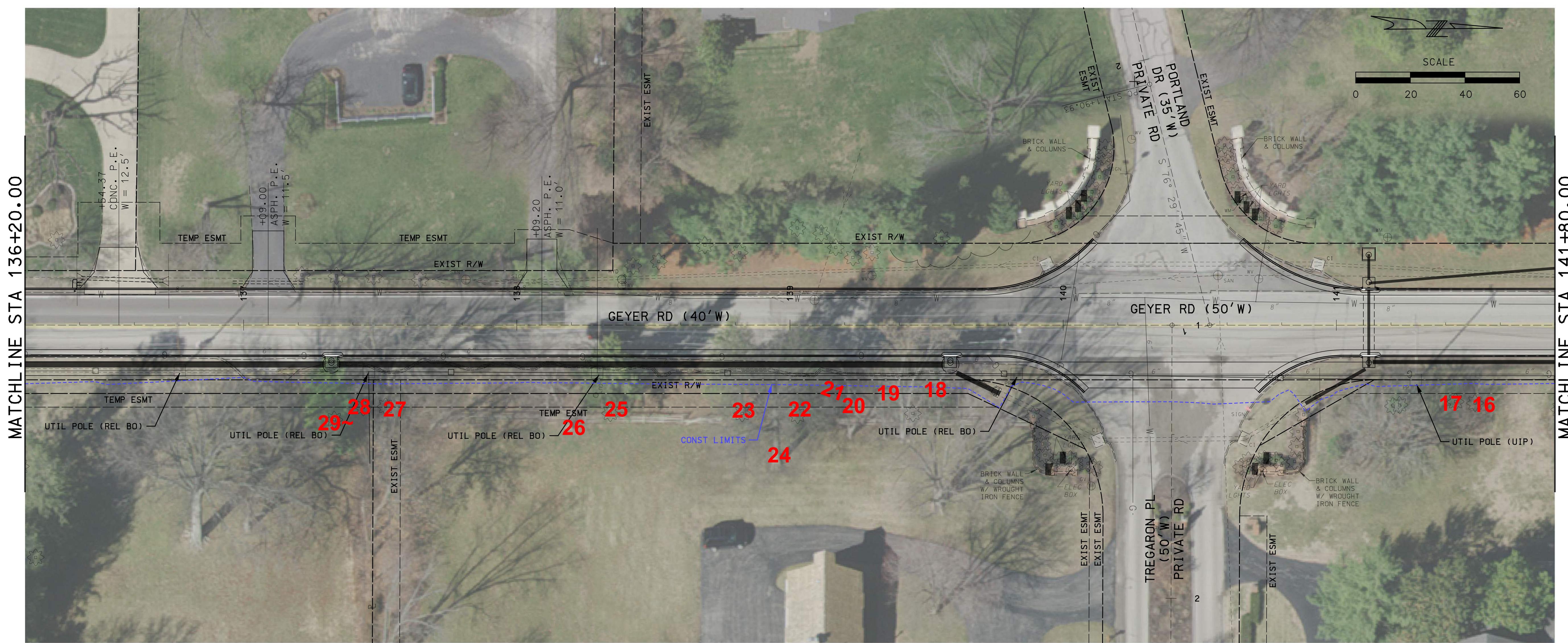
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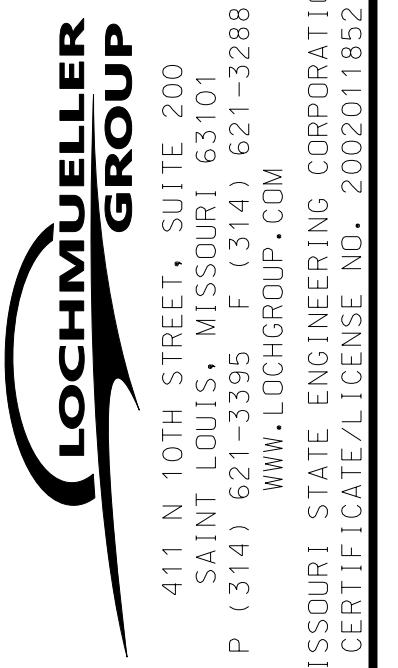
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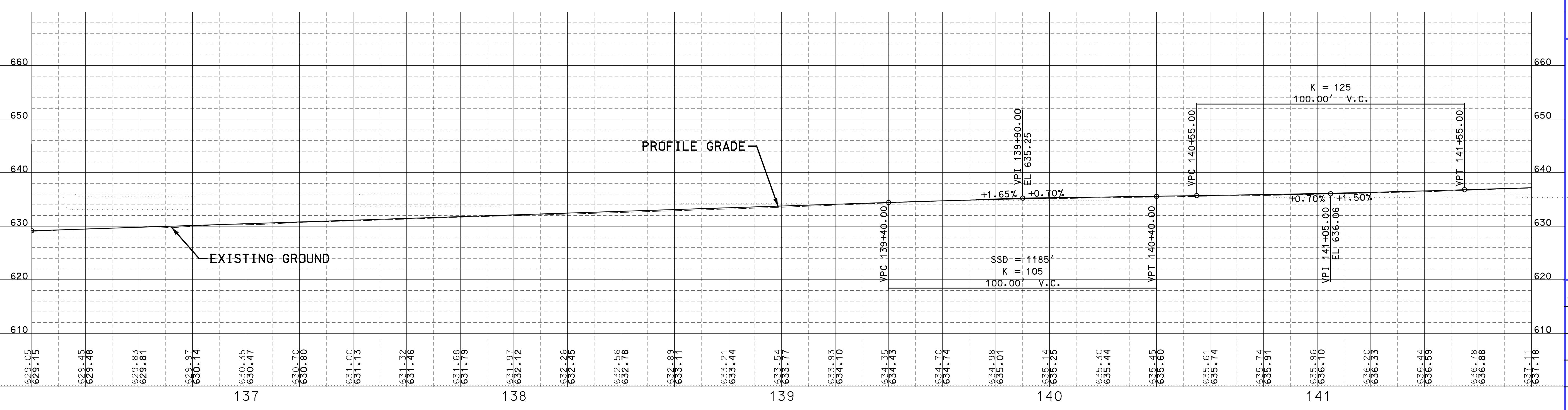
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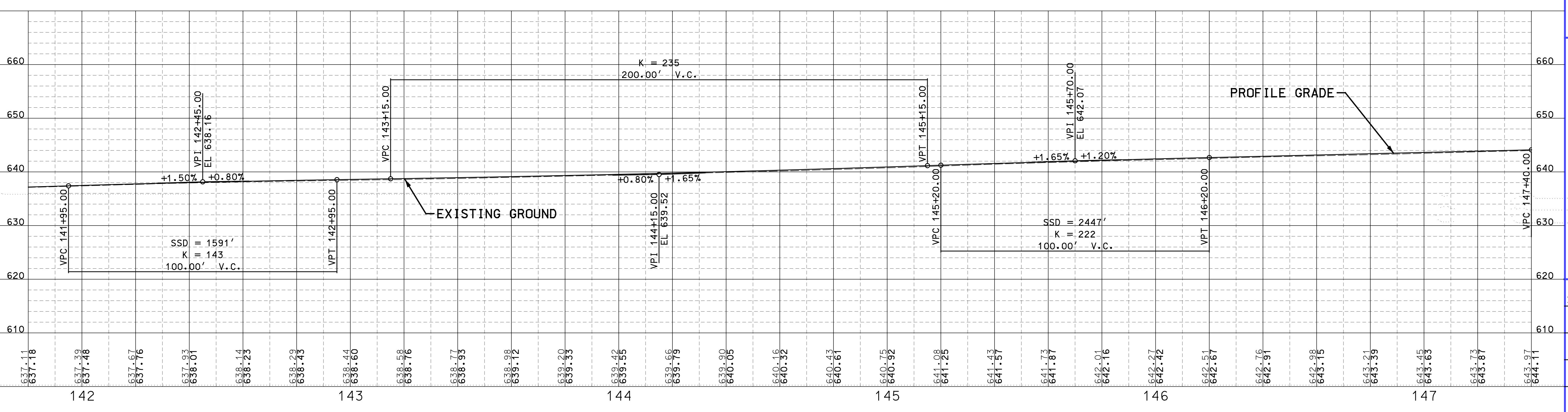
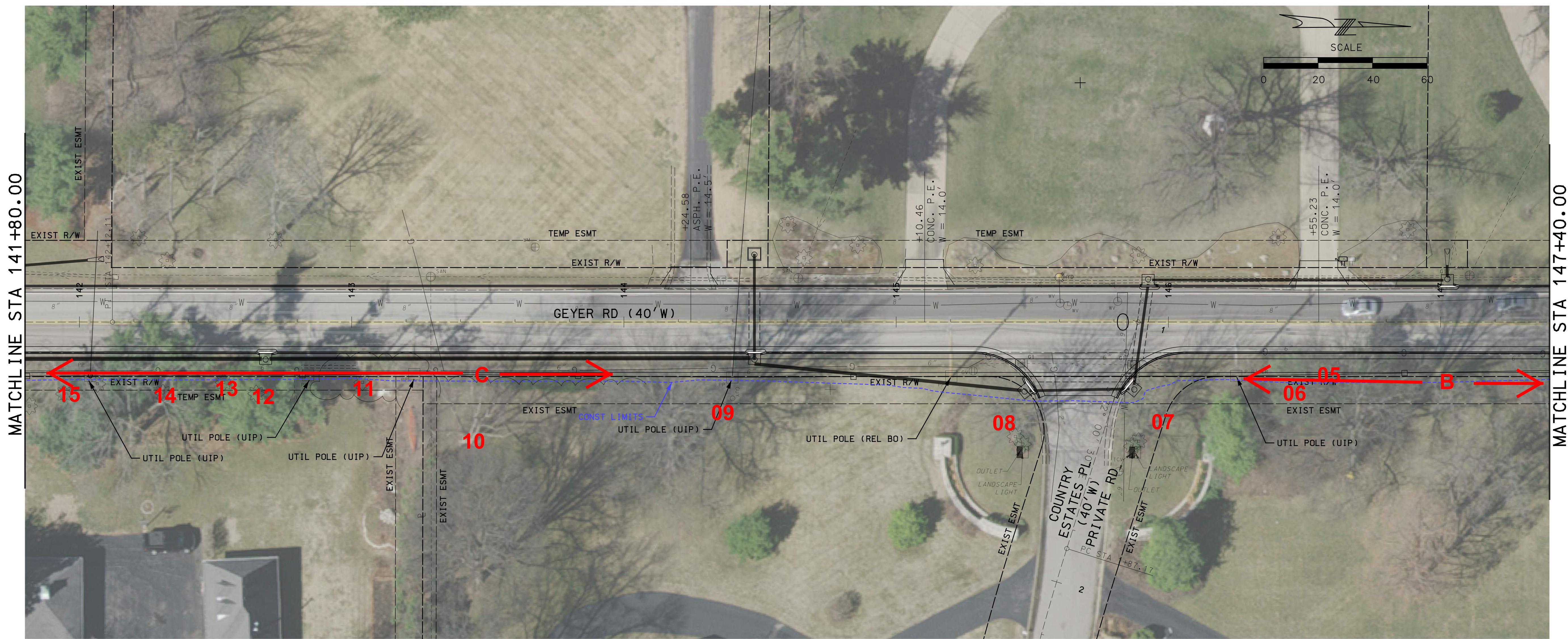
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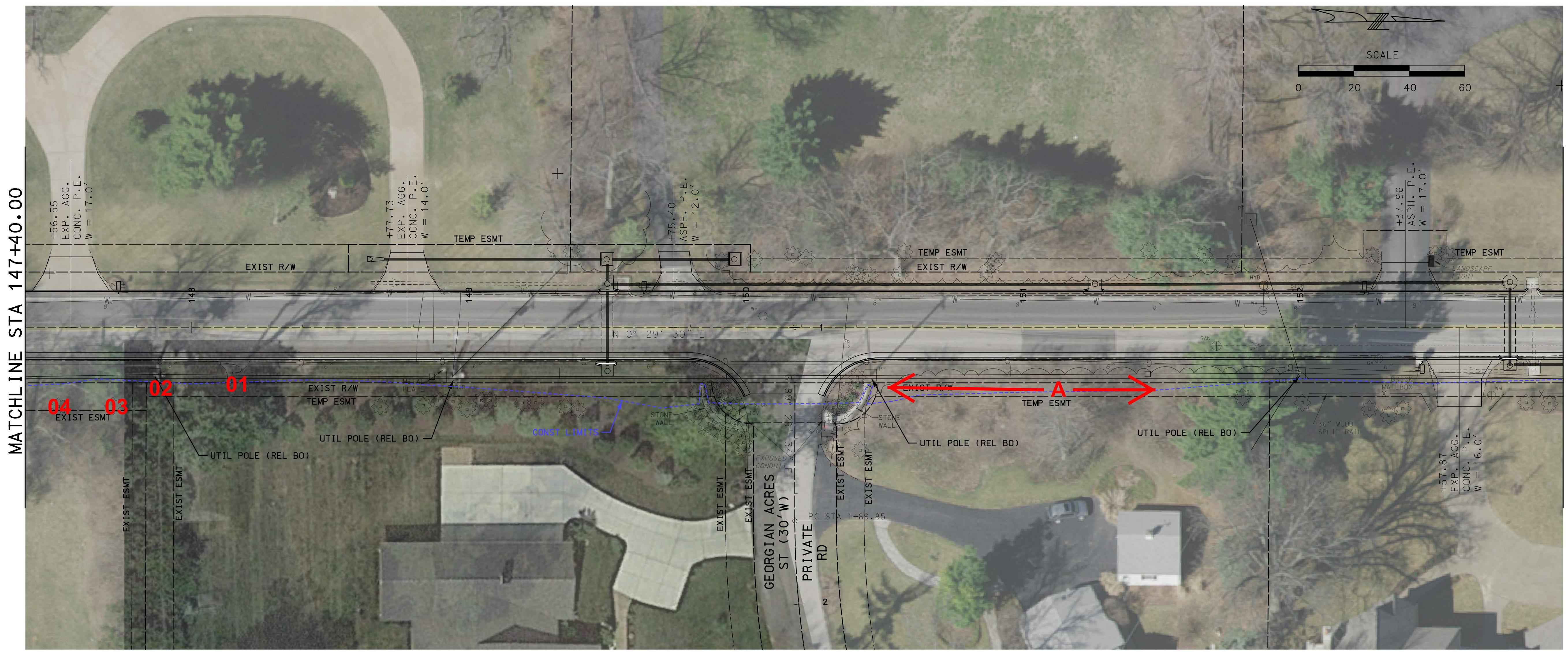
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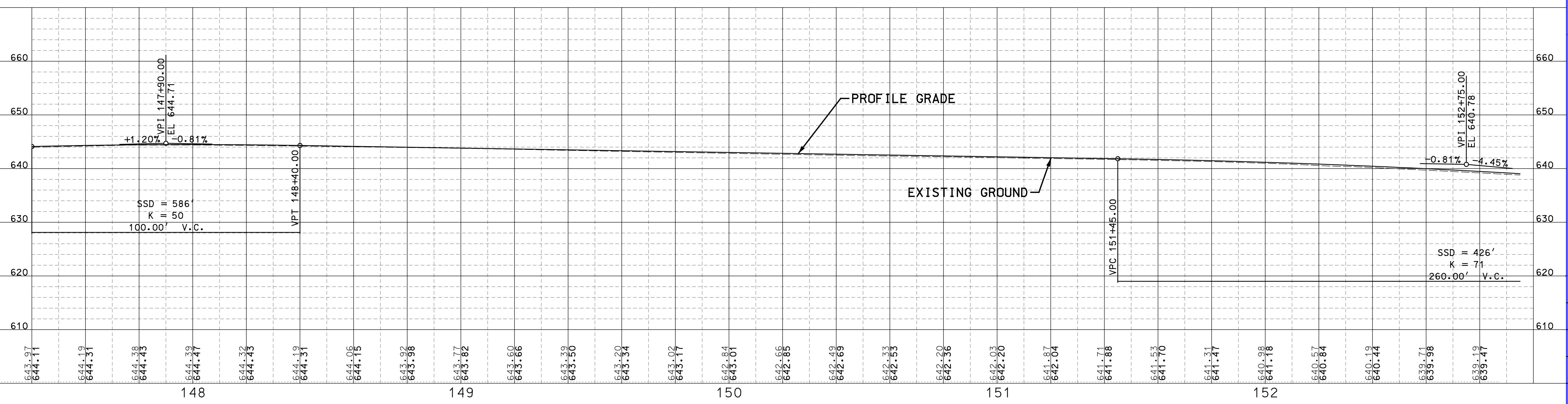
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