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## Subject:Sudbury-Hudson Transmission Reliability and Massachusetts Central Rail<br/>Trail Project (SWMP #20-07) Issued 01/27/2021<br/>Notification of Minor Change and Request for Administrative Approval

Dear Mr. Duchesneau and Sudbury Planning Board Members:

On behalf of NSTAR d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation ("DCR"), Epsilon Associates, Inc. ("Epsilon") is submitting this letter and supporting documentation to provide the Planning Board with notification of a minor change to the proposed Project that was approved in the referenced Stormwater Management Permit ("SWMP") and to request administrative review and approval of this minor change. According to Section III. Condition A, any change to the plans approved in the SWMP shall require notice to the Board for a determination whether the change is significant enough to require a new or amended SWMP.

As background, Eversource and DCR recently appeared before the Sudbury Historic District Commission to obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for proposed work within the George Pitts Tavern Historic District. The COA issued on 08/04/22 requires that the Project remove and reset (or retain if possible) existing rail tracks in front of the Boston & Maine Railroad Section Tool House, located just east of Boston Post Road (Route 20). To accomplish this, the Project alignment (i.e., the proposed limit of work) has been adjusted southward at this location. The proposed change is to approximately 160 linear feet of the rail trail alignment and associated grading and results in a slight increase of 847 square feet to the overall Project footprint. There are no changes necessary to the previously proposed location of the underground electrical transmission line.

The 160-foot section of realigned bike path does not result in an increase to the approved impervious surfaces from the Project and because it occurs within only 160 feet of the path, the change amounts to a *de minimis* change in stormwater flows. With the minor realignment of 160 feet of the rail trail, stormwater from this section will be directed southward between stations 712+00 and 713+50. This takes advantage of an existing low

area south of the rail bed, and ultimately results in a longer path of travel for stormwater, providing increased opportunity for infiltration and recharge before reaching the culvert at station 713+63.

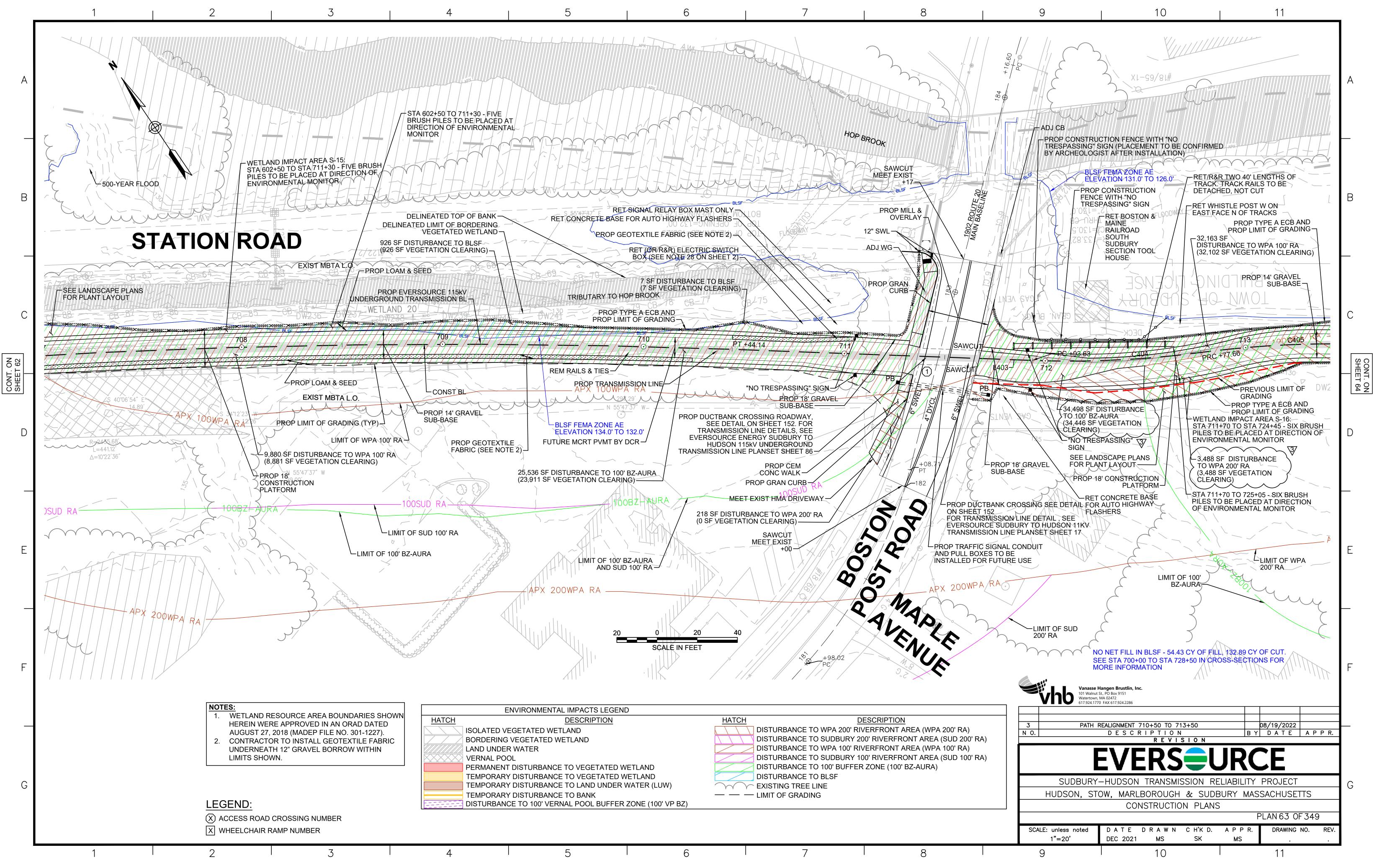
Attached please find three plan sheets showing the proposed minor change that upon administrative approval would replace the corresponding sheets in the plan set previously approved by the Board.

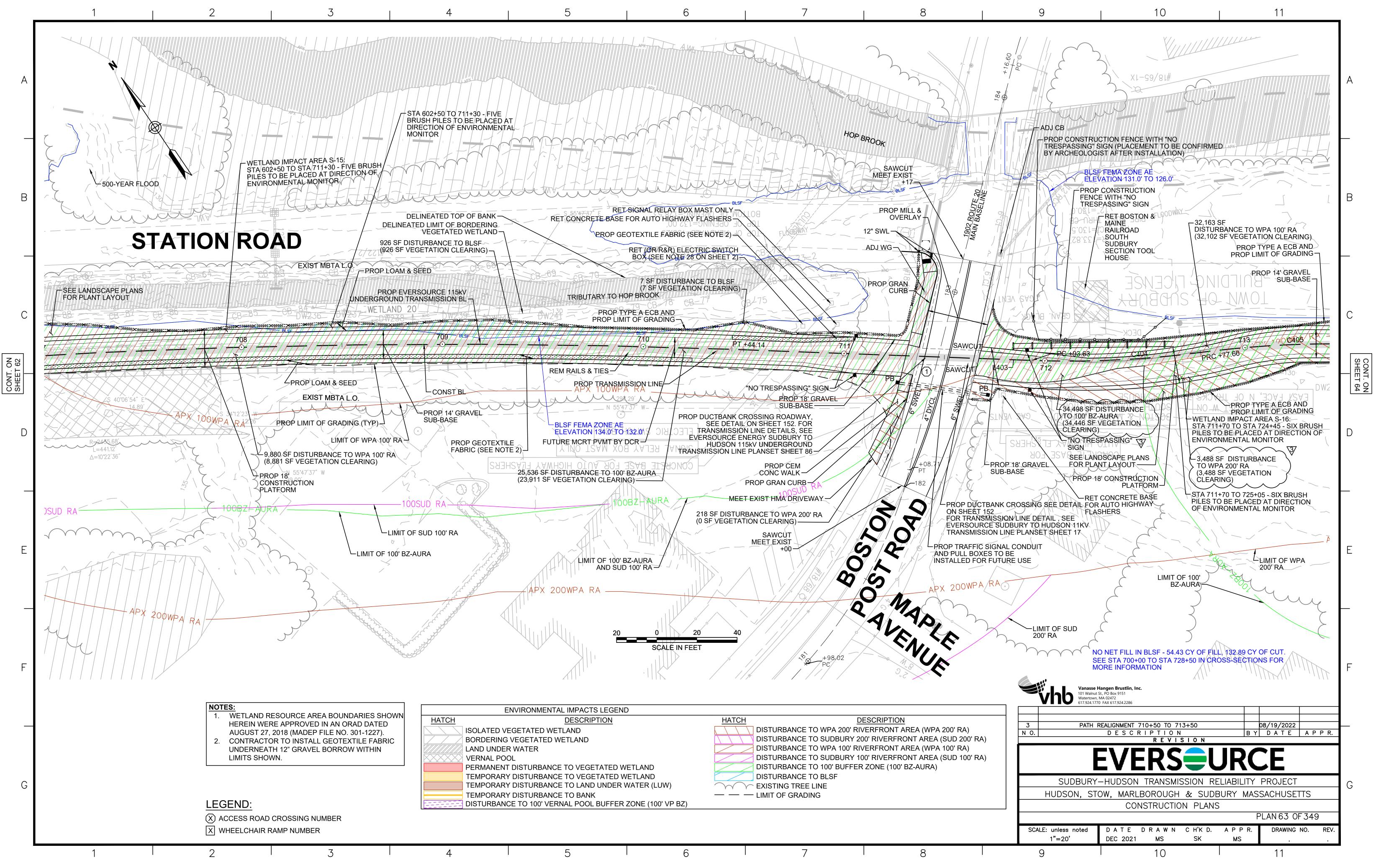
We respectfully request that the Board confirm that this minor change is insignificant and can proceed as an administrative amendment of the SWMP. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 508-212-0420 or via email at <a href="mailto:mbergeron@epsilonassociates.com">mbergeron@epsilonassociates.com</a> if you have any questions related to this request.

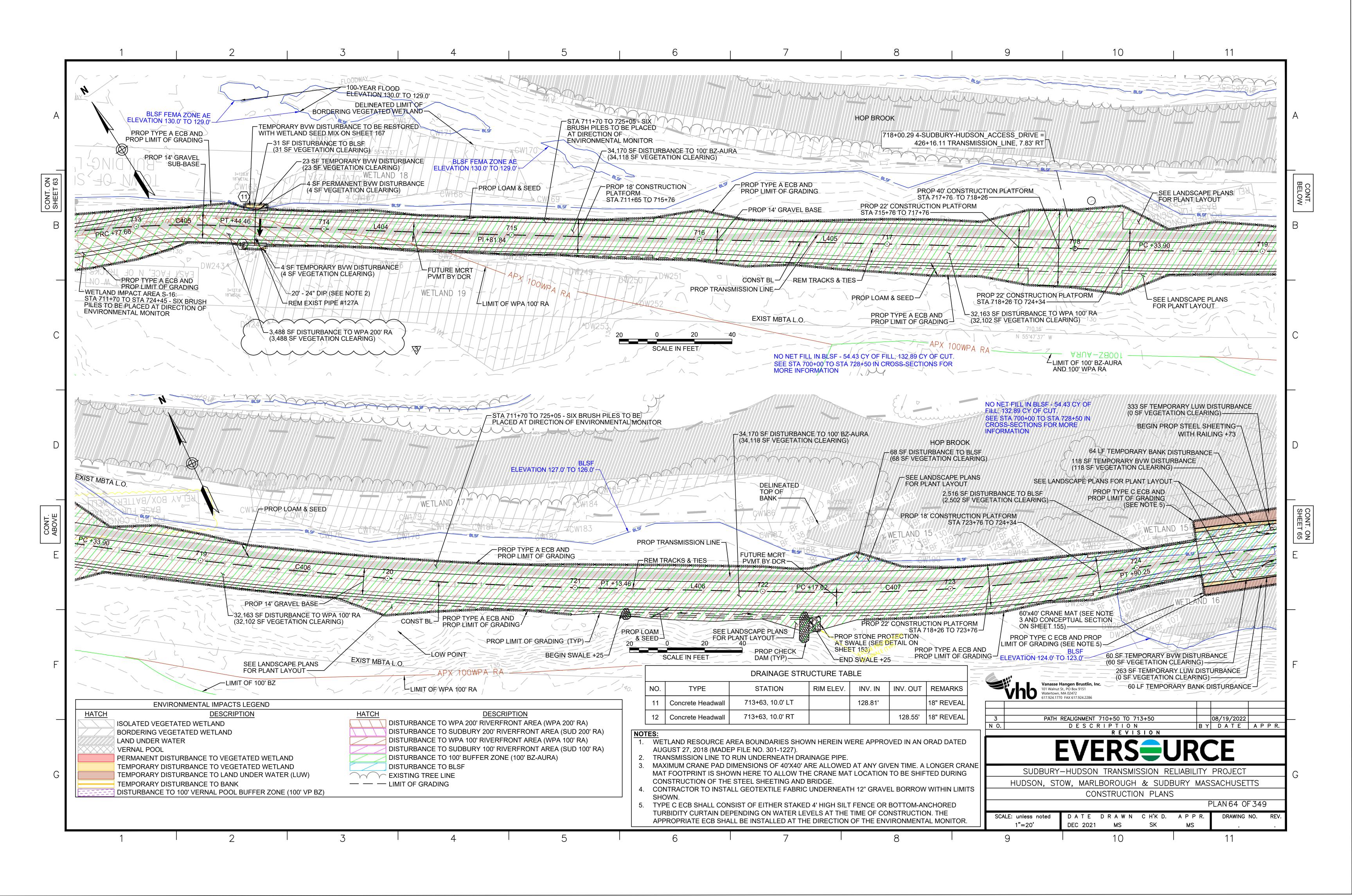
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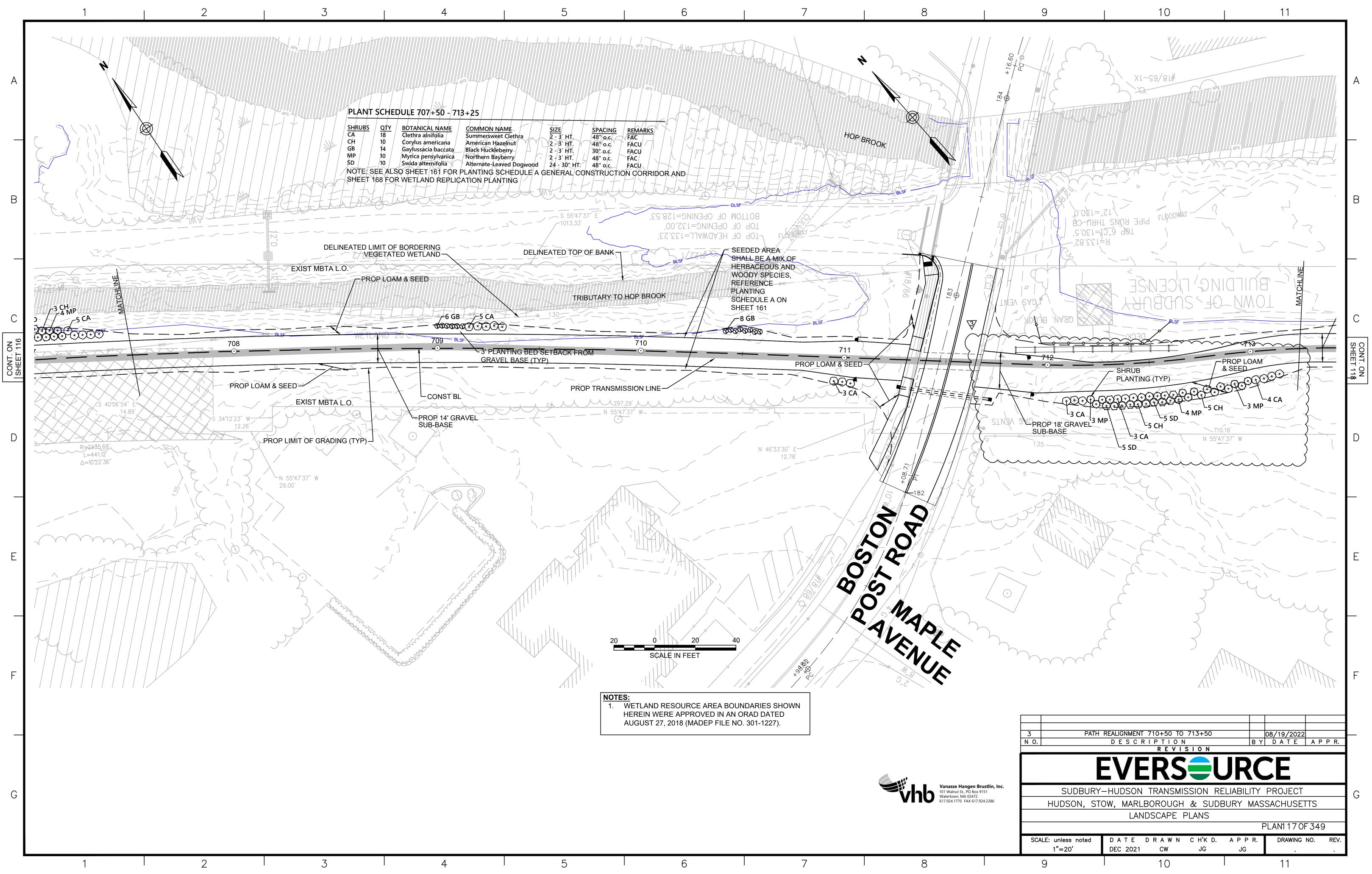
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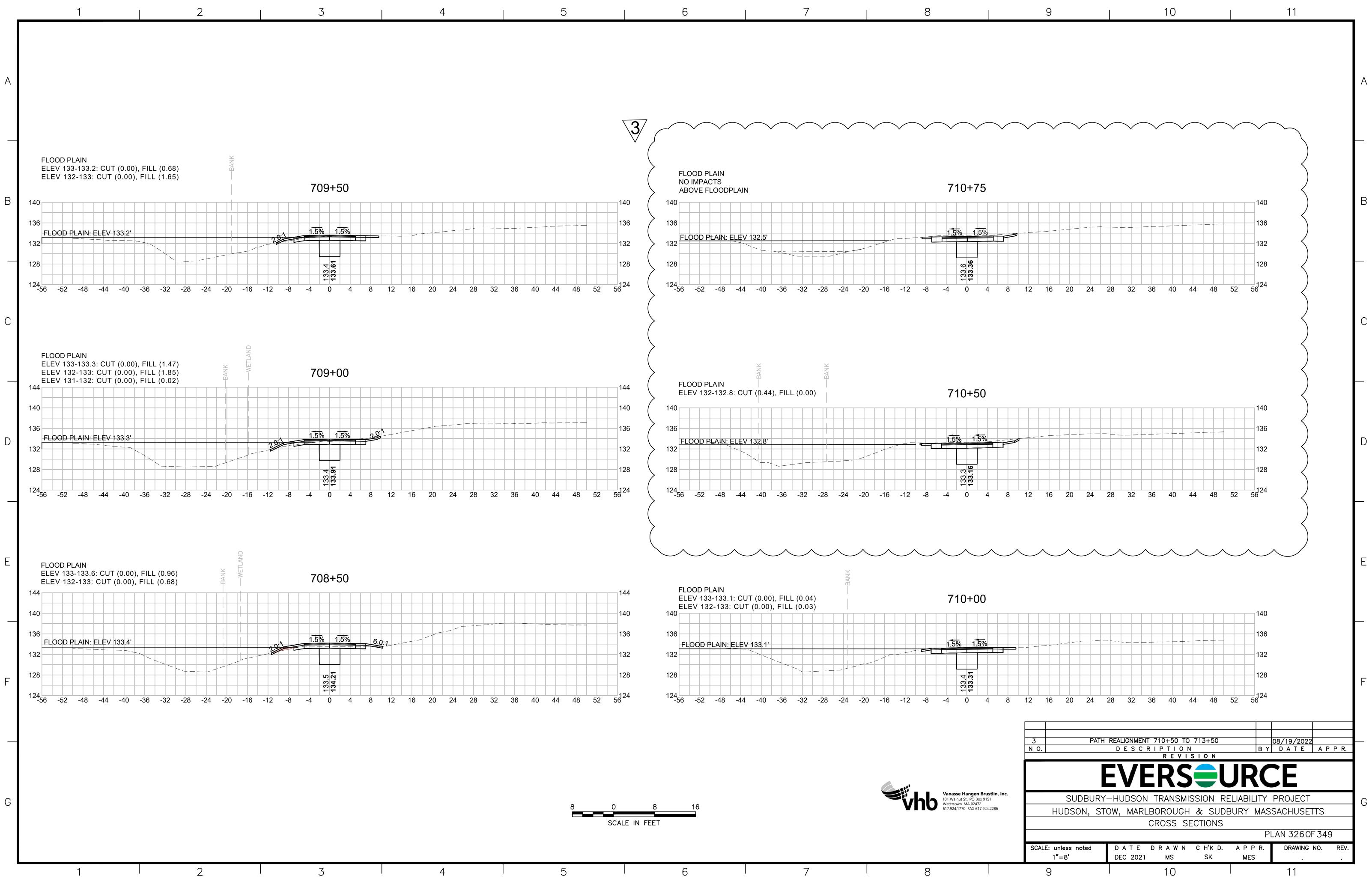
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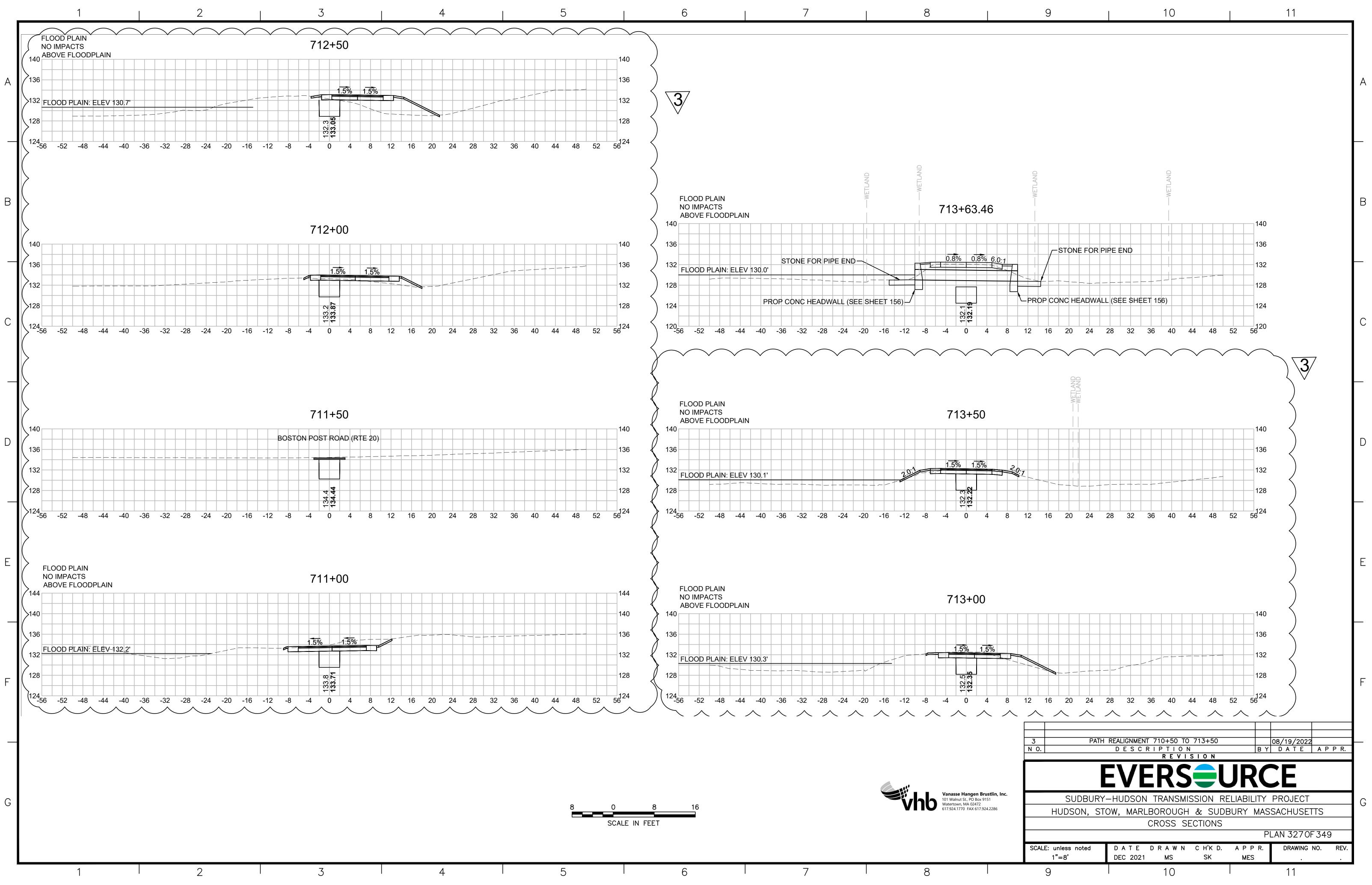


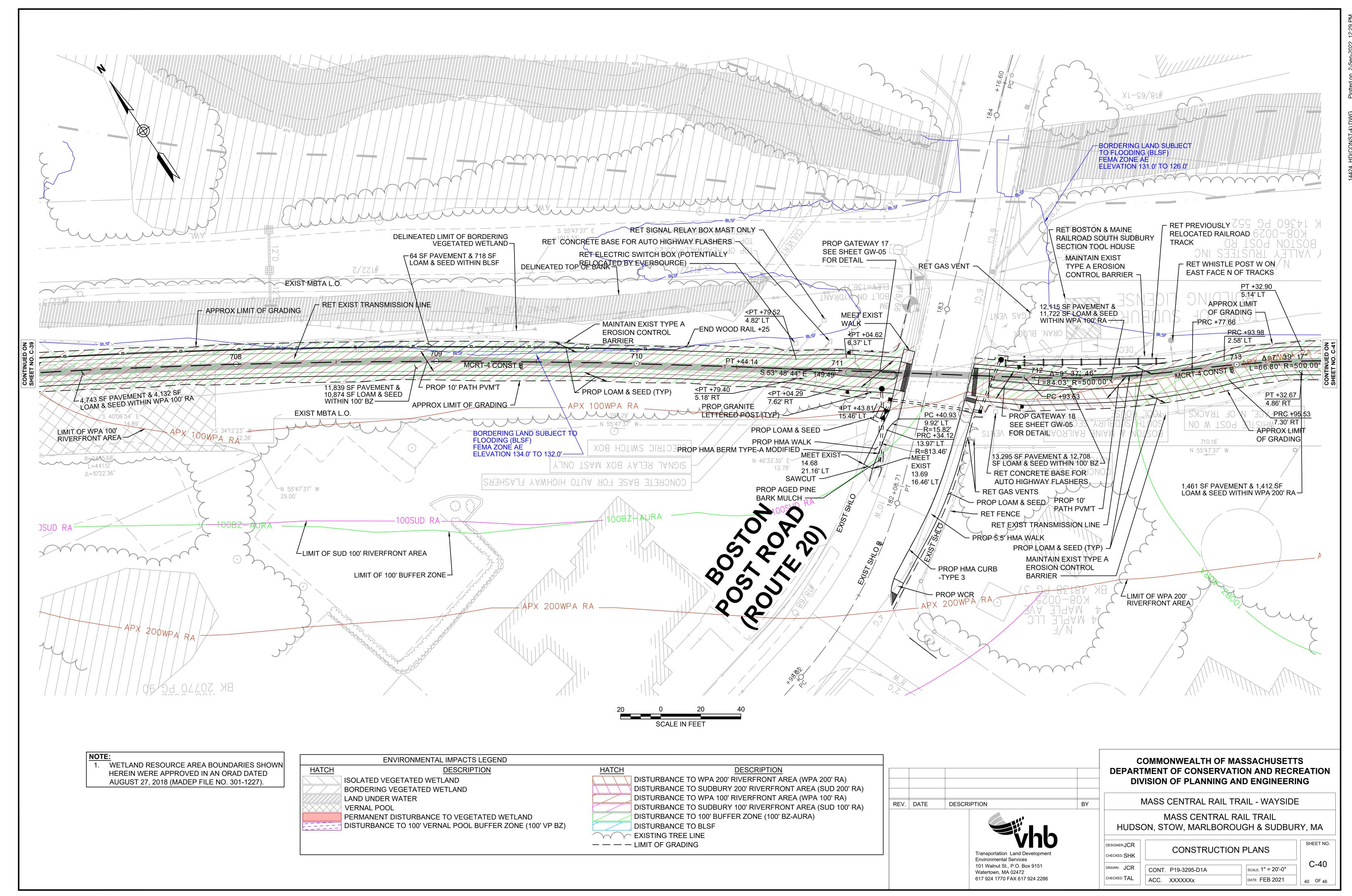


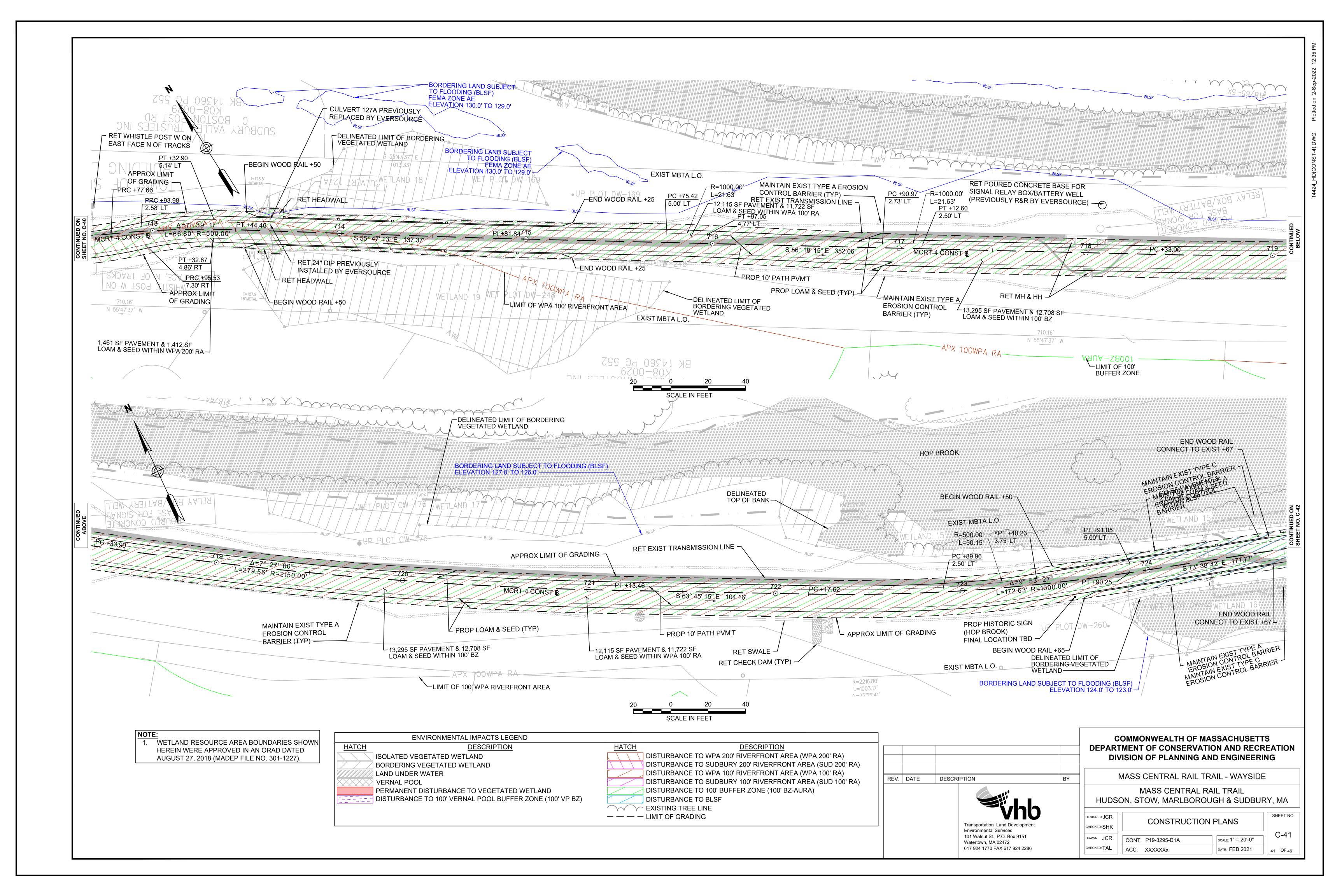


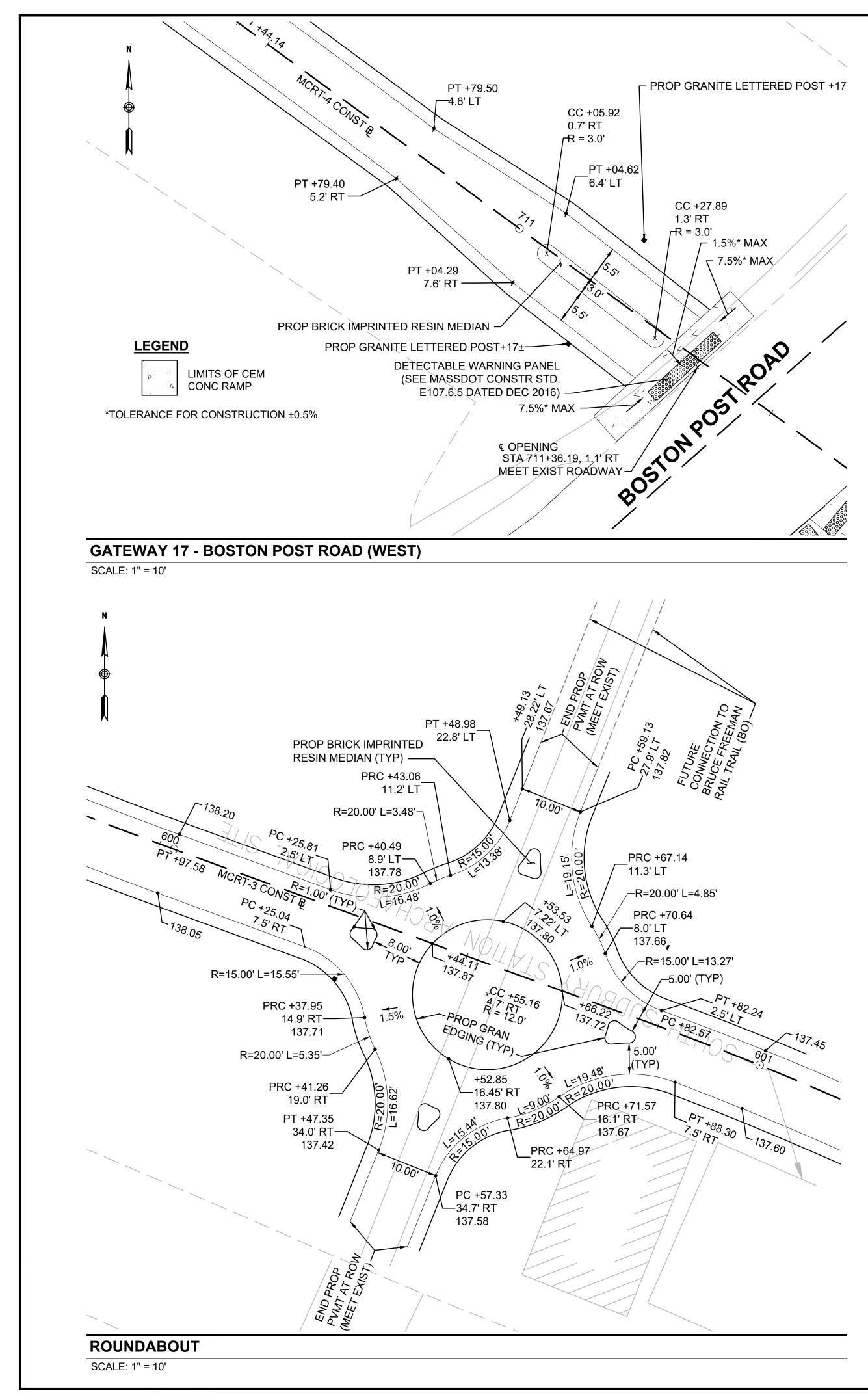


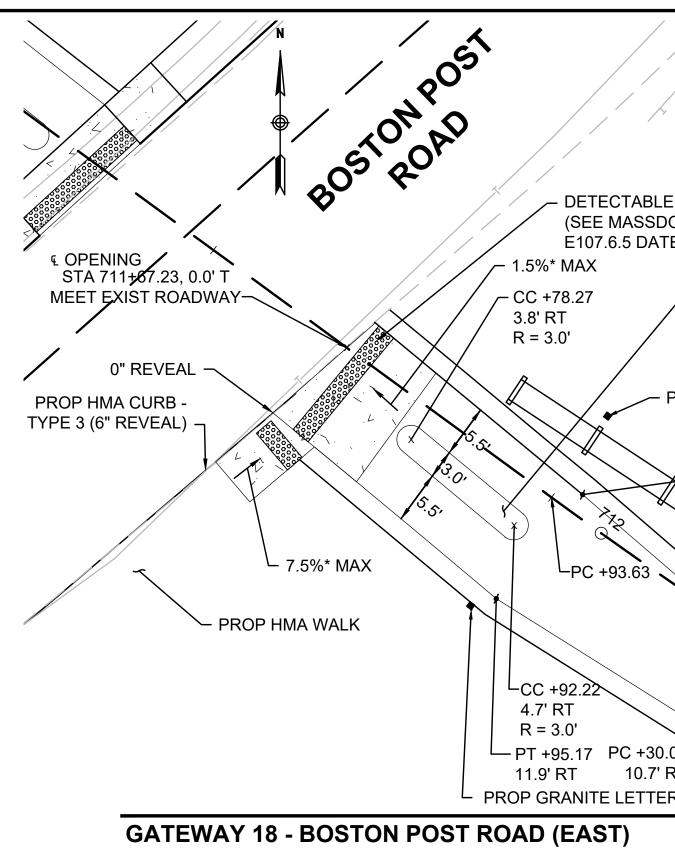












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