

AMITE RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES – COMITE RIVER DIVERSION PROJECT

Briefing to the Amite River Basin Task
Force

July 27, 2023



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Comite River Diversion Project



USACE will deliver 19 construction contracts, to include four main channel segments, two vehicular bridges, one railroad bridge, three rock chutes, diversion structure, and four low flow pumping stations.

LADOTD will deliver 3 construction contracts, to include three vehicular bridges, one railroad bridge, land acquisition, and utility relocations.



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Change Control Board (CCB) Status

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- The total project cost has increased to **\$907.8M**. An additional **\$476M** is required to complete the project.
- Cost increases to the Project are due to design updates and risks realized since the 2017 Conditionally Certified Cost Estimate, which was based of the 1995 Design Memorandum (DM) and updates from the 1996 Post Authorization Change Report.
- MVN formally requested HQ CCB approval on 29 June 2023 to increase the total project cost to \$907.8 million.
- Following CCB, HQ notified MVN the new project cost were approved; therefore, we do not anticipate funding being an issue.



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PROJECT STATUS

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22 Separable Contracts:

– 19 USACE Construction Contracts

- 13 of 19 contracts awarded
 - 7 construction contracts are complete
 - 6 construction contracts are ongoing
 - 6 remaining contracts

– 3 DOTD Construction Contracts

- LA 964 (under construction)
- LA 67 (under construction)
- LA 19 and RR (under construction)

– Unawarded Contracts (6)

- (1) Ready to Advertise: *Channel Segment 1*
- (3) Awaiting utility relocations: *Channel Segment 3, 2B, and Bayou Baton Rouge*
- (1) Awaiting LADOTD Bridge Completion: *Diversion Structure*
- (1) Finalizing Design: *Brooks Lake*



Hwy 61/KCS RR Construction



McHugh/Channel Segment 4 Construction



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ONGOING CONSTRUCTION

COM 01: Hwy 61/ KCS Bridge
(99% Complete)

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ONGOING CONSTRUCTION

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COM 05: Channel Segment 2A (86% Complete)



COM 18: White Bayou Rock Chute Phase 2 (80% Complete)





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COM 17: Channel Segment 4 Phase 2 (88% Complete)



COM 16: McHugh Road Bridge (100% Complete)





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ONGOING CONSTRUCTION

COM 21: Lilly Bayou Phase 2
(100% Complete)

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Comite Flyover



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COMITE RIVER DIVERSION PROGRESS

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4 of 9 ongoing construction contracts will be complete in CY23

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- **Channel Excavation:** 2 of 4 Segments under construction
4.3M of 8.4M CY excavated to date
 - **Vehicular Bridges:** 2 of 5 five vehicular bridges are complete.
Remaining 3 under construction
 - **Railroad Bridges:** 1 of 2 railroad bridges are complete
Remaining bridge under construction
 - **Rock Chutes:** 2 of 3 rock chutes under construction
 - **COM03-Channel Segment 1:** Advertisement- August 2023



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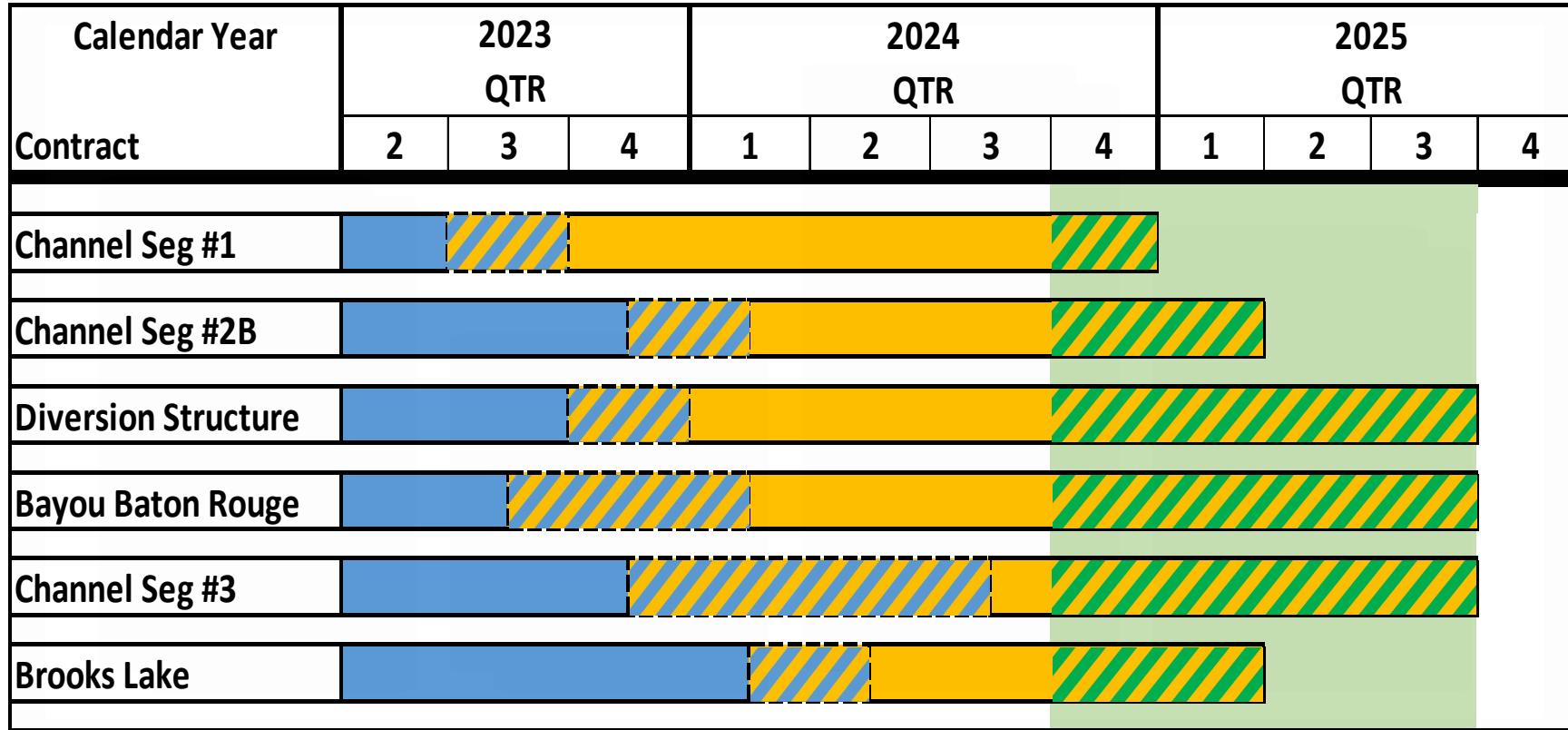


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REMAINING CONTRACTS - SCHEDULE

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Graph Qtrs. in
Calendar Year

Estimated Completion Range: 4th Qtr. 2024 to 3rd Qtr. 2025

*Assumes receipt of additional funding

Green range reflects uncertainty in construction
completion based on relocation timeline



Pre-award Activities (Relocations/RE/Design)



Contract Award Range



Construction



Construction Completion Range



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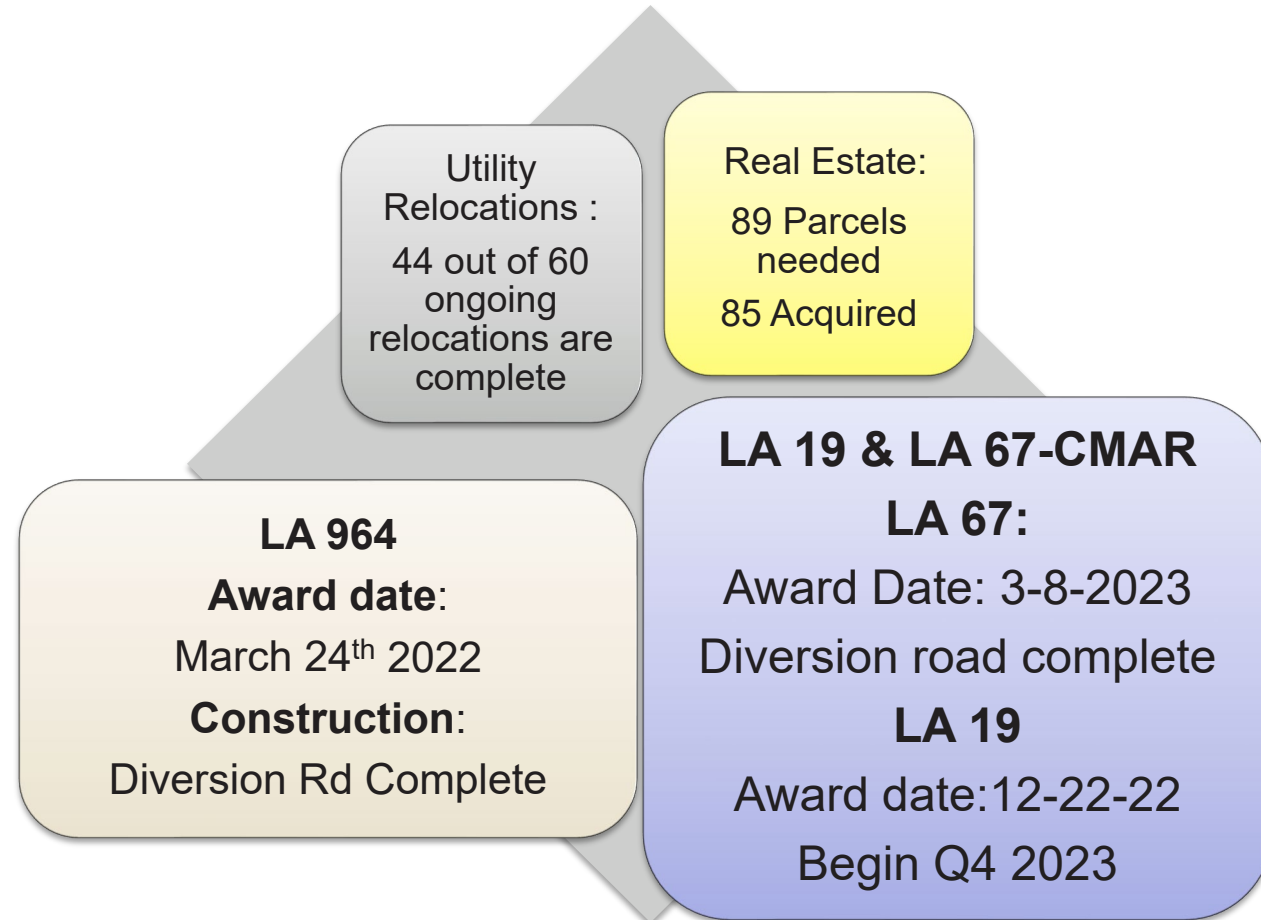
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DOTD PROJECT TASKS 2022-2023

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Ongoing DOTD tasks





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DOTD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

LA964

(40% Complete)

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Pile being installation at Bent 5
Piles for Bent 4 being installed/driven



LA 964 looking East towards Segment 2A





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DOTD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

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LA964

(40% Complete)

Pile being installation at Bent 6



Continued Excavation of Diversion
Channel west of LA 964
Piles for Bent 4 being installed/driven





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DOTD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

LA67

(24% Complete)

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Diversion Road looking North before asphalt was placed



Standing at Diversion Road looking West.





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DOTD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

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LA67

(24% Complete)

LA 67 to the South of the Diversion Channel Excavated and Sub-base being prepared for embankment lifts to be placed



Crane on site at LA 67 for upcoming bridge construction



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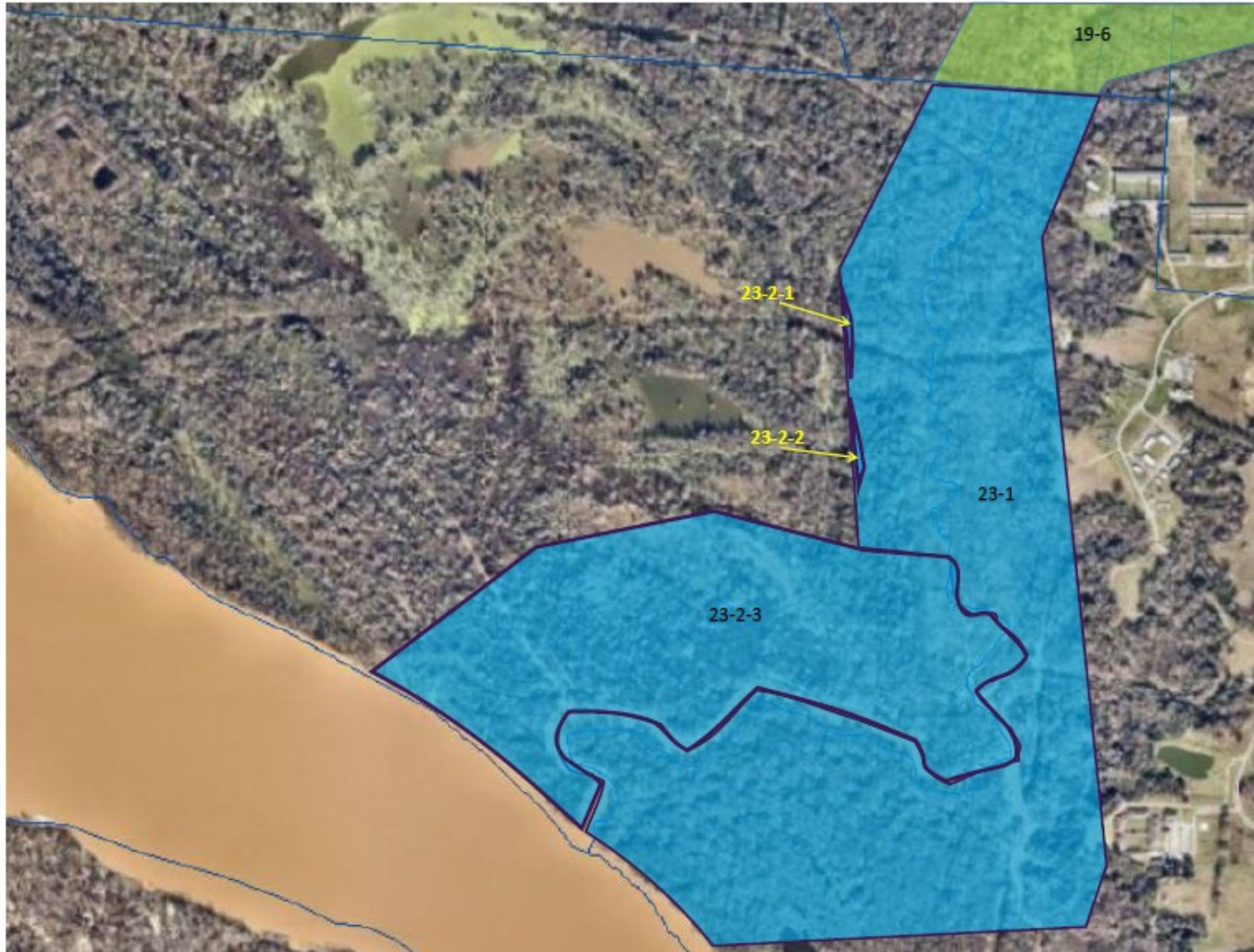


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REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS TO DATE-BROOKS LAKE APPRAISAL/NEGOTIATIONS

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Status Key

- Public Right of Way
- Waiting for Appraisal Approval
- Negotiating
- Closing
- Expropriation Suit Pending
- Acquired
- Design change or other delay



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REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS TO DATE

US 61

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Status Key

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Status Key





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REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS TO DATE- LA²⁰ 964 & CHANNEL SEGMENT 2



Status Key

- Public Right of Way
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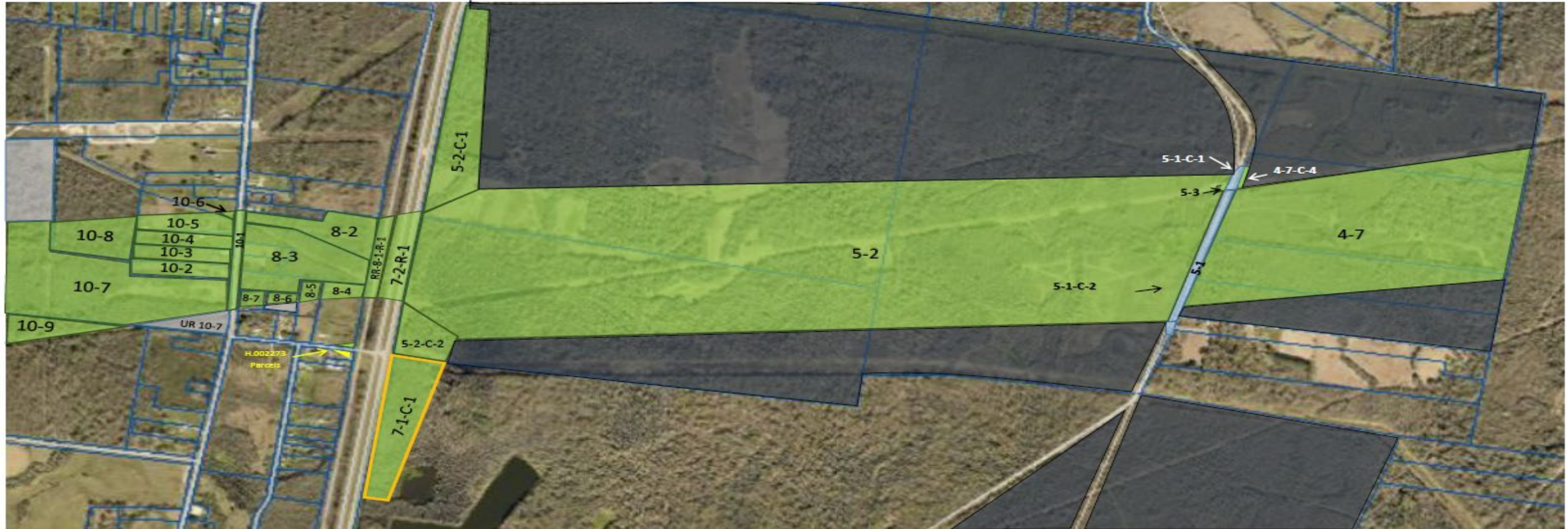


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REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS TO DATE-LA 19 & CHANNEL SEGMENT 3 & MCHUGH RD.

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Status Key

- Public Right of Way
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REAL ESTATE ACQUISITIONS TO DATE- CHANNEL SEGMENT 4 & LA 67

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Status Key

- Public Right of Way
- Waiting for Appraisal Approval
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QUESTIONS

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