

PUBLIC NOTICE

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United States Army
Corps of Engineers
New Orleans District
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Application #: MVN-1998-04432 WQQ

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to: [] Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

The application has also been mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in Louisiana Revised Statute 30:2074 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 95-17).

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ALONG WALKER ROAD IN LAFAYETTE PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Lafayette Consolidated Government, Attn: Jessica Calderera, 1515 East University Avenue, Lafayette, Louisiana 70501.

LOCATION OF WORK: Located along Walker Road, in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, (lat. 30.235700°, long. -92.051571°), as shown within the attached drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 08080103, Vermilion River Basin)

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested a Department of Army authorization for the installation and maintenance of drainage improvement structures, to replace the existing open ditch channels and provide flood relief as part of Phase 1 plans. The work will include the placement of subsurface pipes, box culverts, and a vertical hanging wall channel. Approximately 12,200 cubic yards of material will be excavated from the existing open ditch channels and 1,000 cubic yards of spoil material will be placed as backfill for structure installations. The remaining spoil material will be hauled for disposal in uplands. Approximately 1,367 cubic yards of concrete will be placed for new drainage structures, as shown on the attached drawings. The work will impact approximately 1.1 acres of jurisdictional Waters of the US. No wetlands impacts are proposed for project implementation.

The comment period on the requested Department of the Army Permit will close **20 days** from the date of this joint public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this requested permit and must be submitted so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters and/or comments concerning the subject permit application must reference the applicant's name and the Permit Application Number, and can be e-mailed to the Corps of Engineers project manager listed above, or forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH**. Individuals or parties may also request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work, by mail or by e-mailing the specified project manager listed above. Any request for an extension of time to comment must be specific and substantively supportive of the requested extension, and received by this office prior to the end of the initial comment period. The Section Chief will review the request and the requestor will be promptly notified of the decision to grant or deny the request. If granted, the time extension will be continuous to the initial comment period and, inclusive of the initial comment period, will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days

Corps of Engineers Permit Criteria

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, Indian Tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to make, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The New Orleans District is unaware of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places near the proposed work. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, historical sites, or data. As necessary, copies of this public notice will be sent to the State Archeologist, State Historic Preservation Officer and federally listed tribes regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would neither affect any species listed as endangered by the U.S. Departments of Interior or Commerce, nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species. Based on the Information

Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool for Endangered Species in Louisiana, as signed on January 27, 2020, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, it has been determined that the project would have no effect to any listed species.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal may result in the destruction, alteration, and/or disturbance of approximately **0 acres** of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial adverse impact on EFH or federally managed fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico. Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

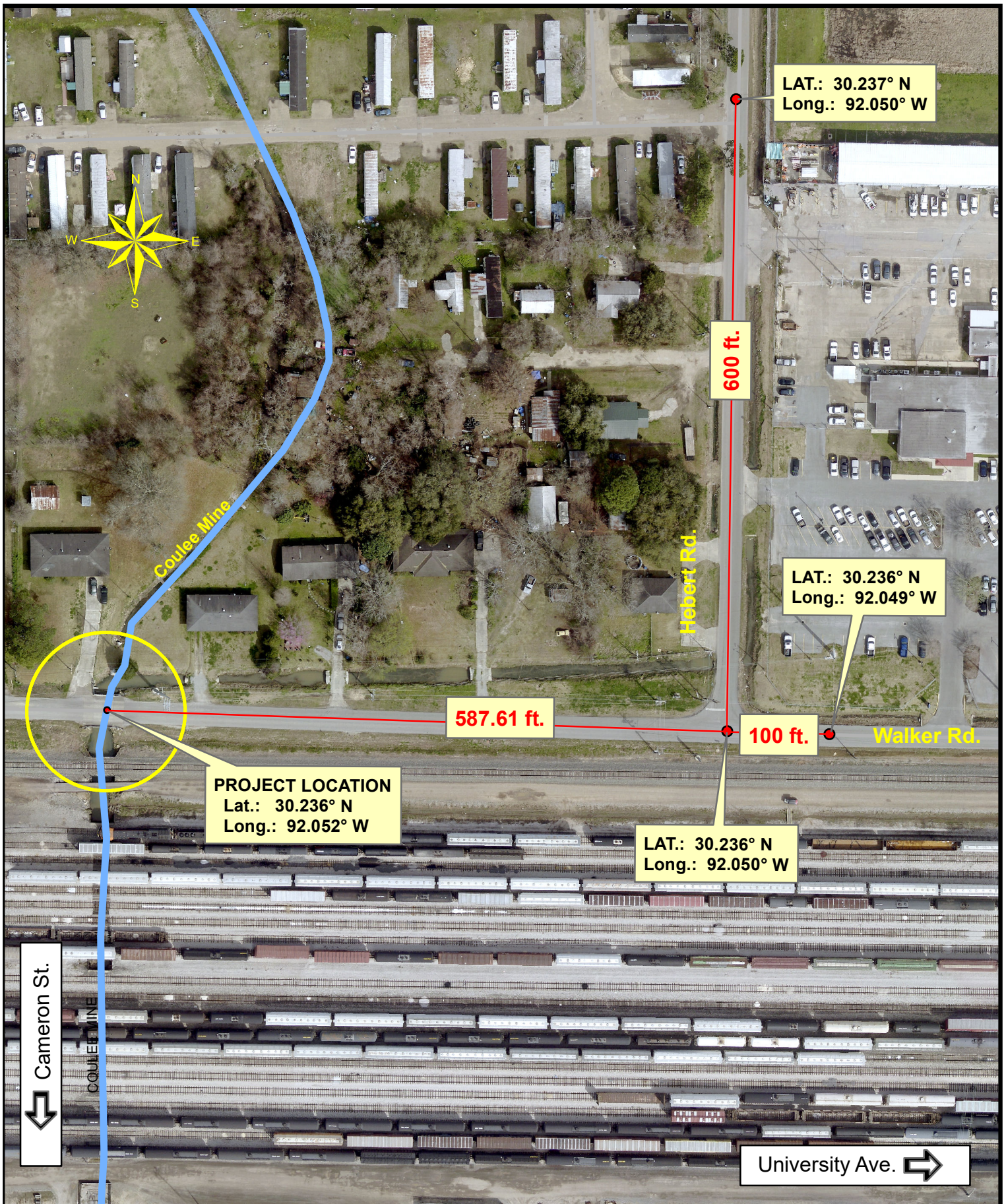
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Department of Environmental Quality, before a Department of the Army permit is issued.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

You are invited to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Darrell S. Barbara
Chief, Western Evaluation Section
Regulatory Branch

Enclosures



PROJECT LOCATION
 Lat.: 30.236° N
 Long.: 92.052° W

LAT.: 30.237° N
 Long.: 92.050° W

LAT.: 30.236° N
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LAT.: 30.236° N
 Long.: 92.050° W

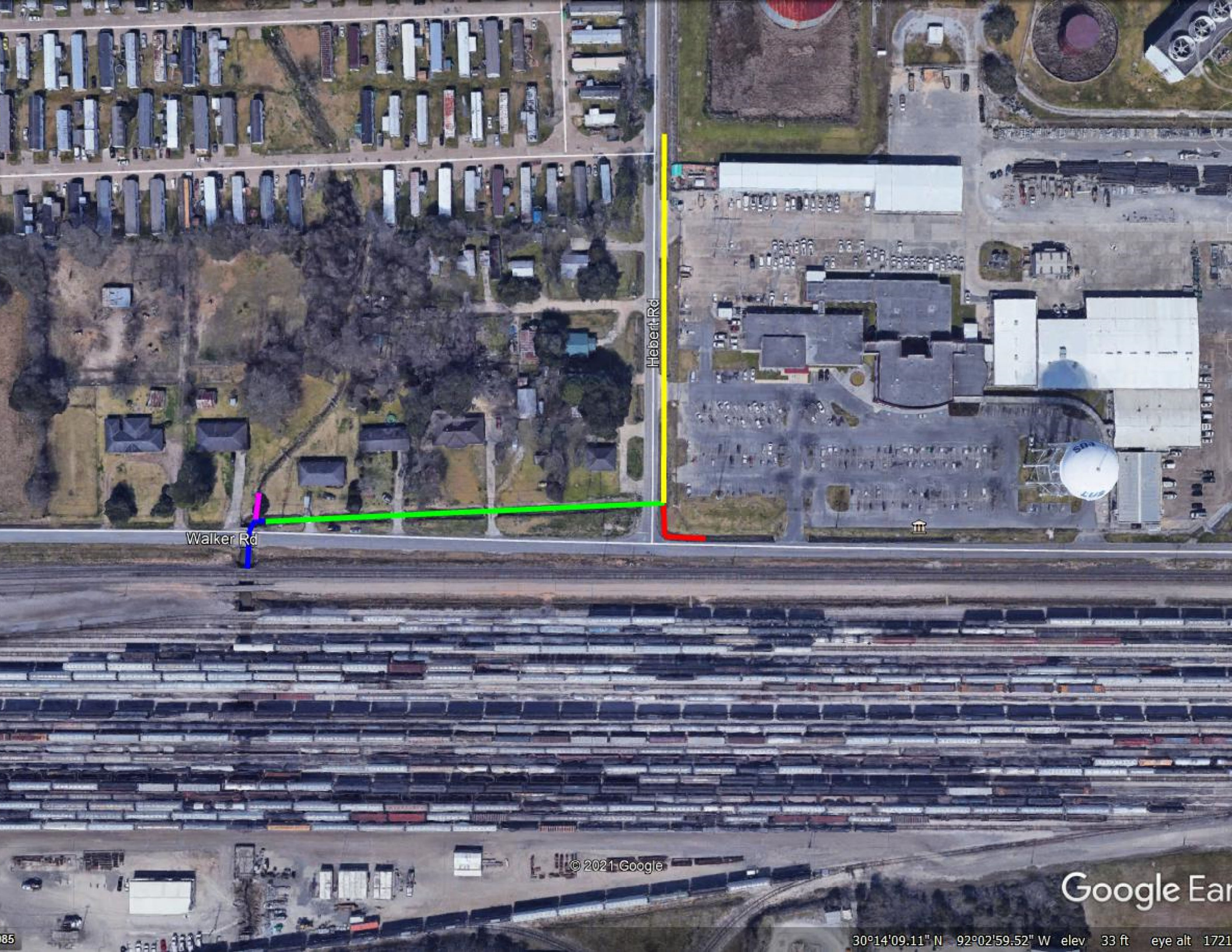
Cameron St. ←

University Ave. →



**Walker Road
 Drainage Improvements
 Vicinity Map**

SCALE: 1"=120'



Walker Rd

Hebert Rd

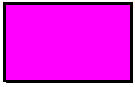
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30°14'09.11" N 92°02'59.52" W elev 33 ft eye alt 1721

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LEGEND:



60" x 40' RCPA



12'x7'-0" x42' CONCRETE BOX CULVERT



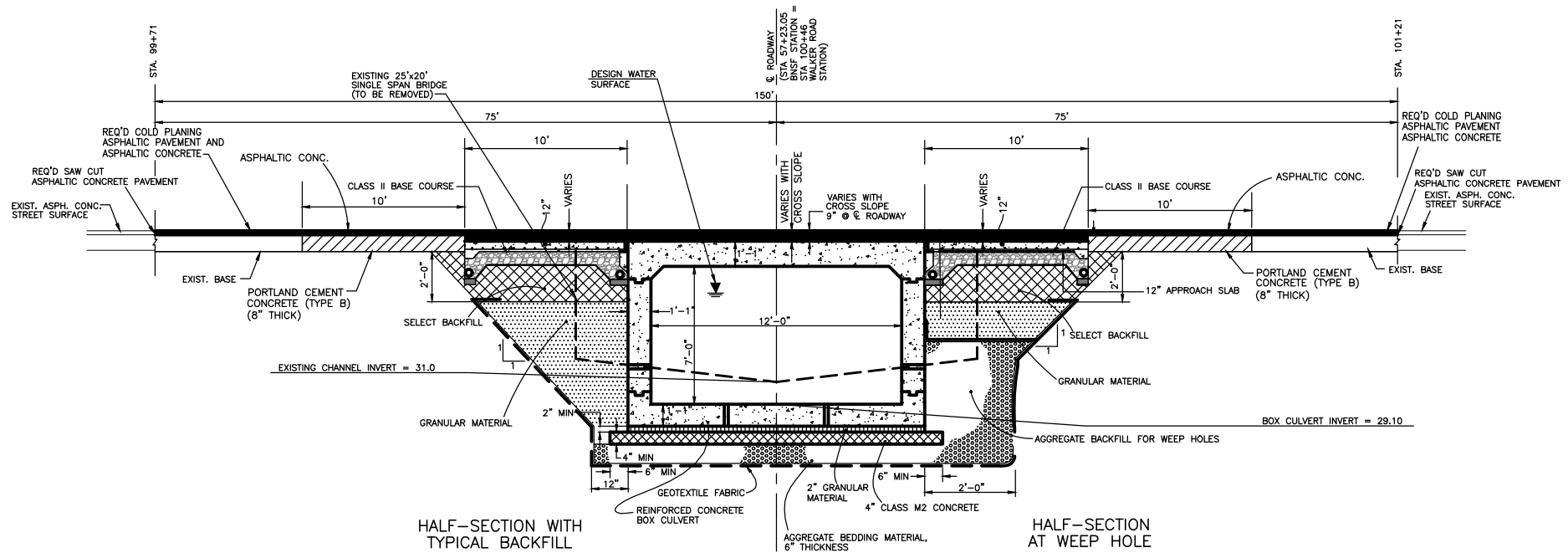
12'x6'-6" x600' CONCRETE BOX CULVERT



461' CONCRETE VERTICAL WALL CHANNEL
10'x5'-6" x140' CONCRETE BOX CULVERT



60"x35' RCP
36"x24' RCP

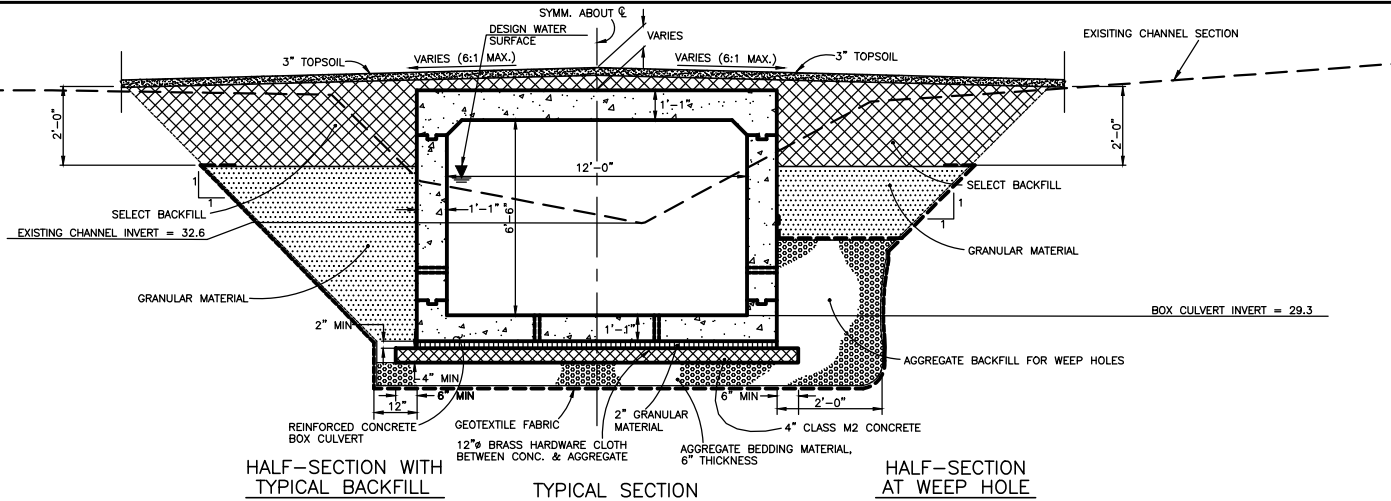


TYPICAL SECTION OF STREET REPAIR
AT BOX CULVERT CROSSING WALKER ROAD
 REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT (12'x7'-0") (RCB #1)
 STA. 57+03.55 - STA. 57+45.55
 N.T.S.

STA.	INV. ELEV.	10-YR. DESIGN W.S. ELEV.
57+03.55 - 57+45.55	29.08 - 29.13	34.5 - 34.7

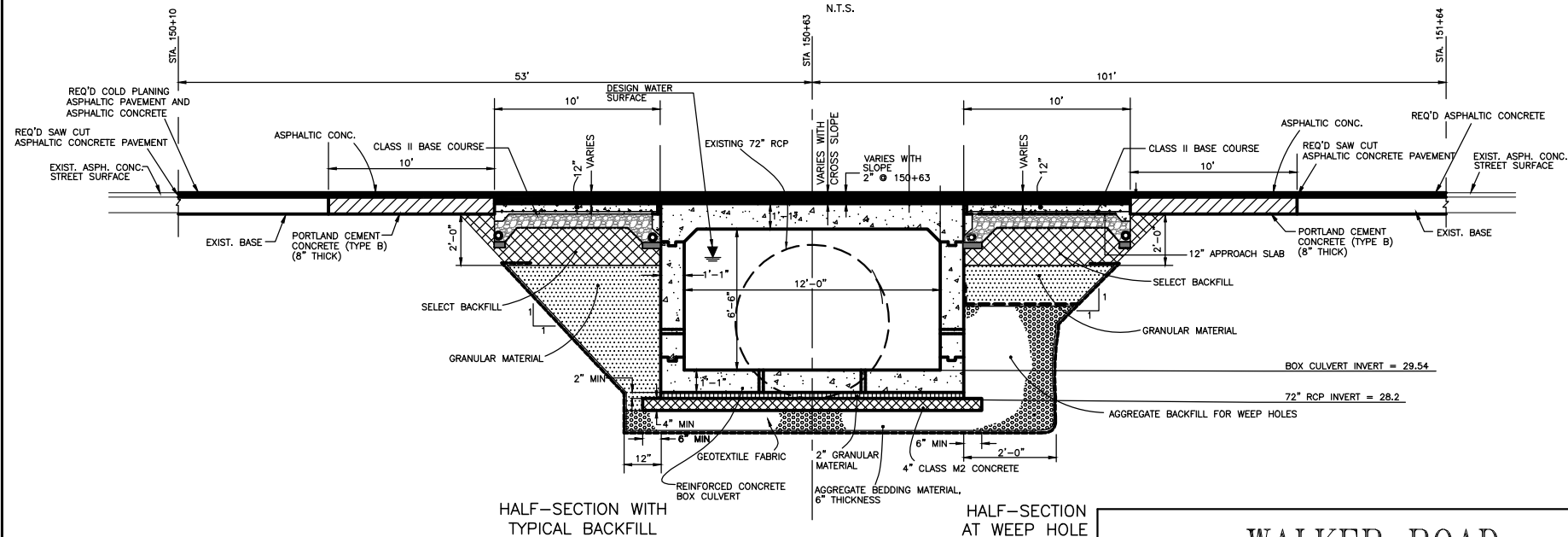
Normal Water Surface
Elevation = 33.14'

WALKER ROAD
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
LAFAYETTE PARISH, LOUISIANA
 APPLICANT: LAFAYETTE CITY/PARISH
 CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT
 DATE: DECEMBER, 2020 EXHIBIT: 2 OF 5



HALF-SECTION WITH TYPICAL BACKFILL TYPICAL SECTION HALF-SECTION AT WEEP HOLE

BOX CULVERT ALONG WALKER ROAD
 REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT (12'x6'-6") (RCB #2)
 STA 100+53.52 - STA 106+15.59
 N.T.S.



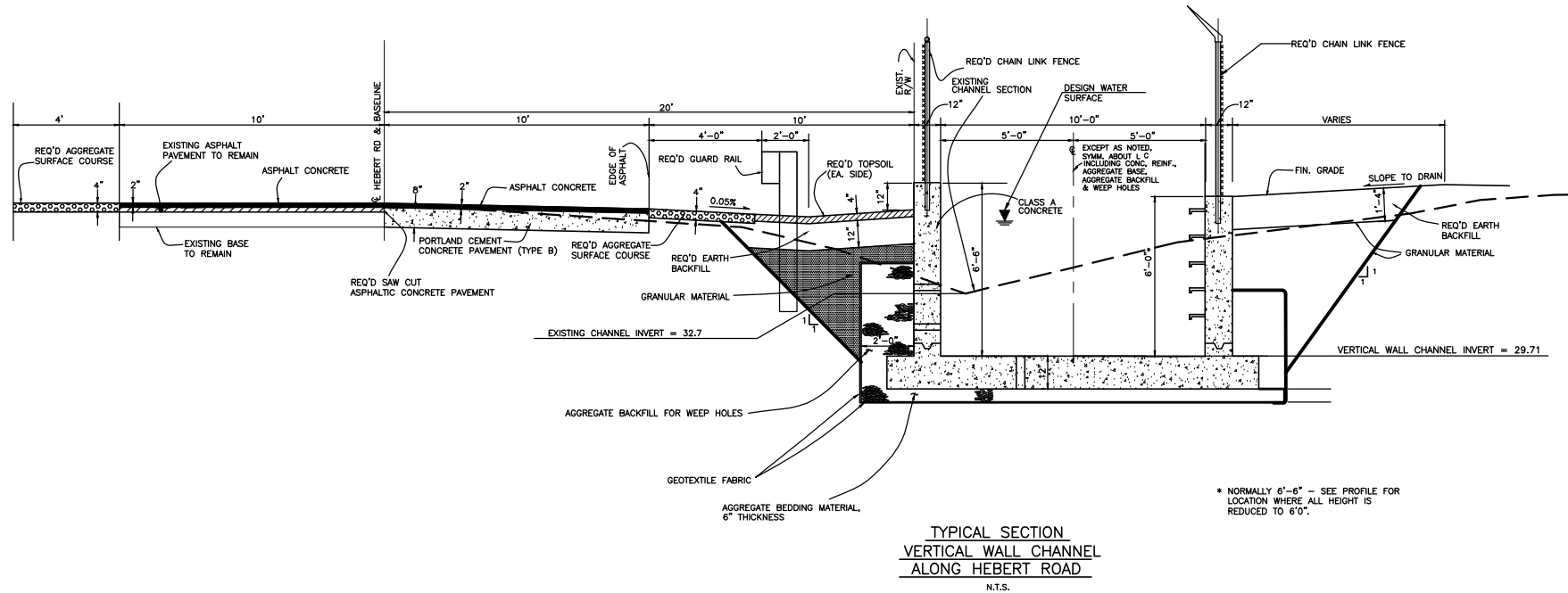
HALF-SECTION WITH TYPICAL BACKFILL TYPICAL SECTION OF STREET REPAIR AT BOX CULVERT CROSSING HEBERT ROAD HALF-SECTION AT WEEP HOLE

TYPICAL SECTION OF STREET REPAIR
 AT BOX CULVERT CROSSING HEBERT ROAD
 STA. 150+63 - REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT (12'x6'-6") (RCB #3)
 STA 106+15.59 - STA 106+53.52
 N.T.S.

Normal Water Surface
 Elevation = 33.18'

STA.	INV. ELEV.	30-YR. DESIGN W.S. ELEV.
100+53.52 - 106+53.52	29.13 - 29.54	34.7 - 35.3

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* NORMALLY 6'-6" - SEE PROFILE FOR LOCATION WHERE ALL HEIGHT IS REDUCED TO 6'0".

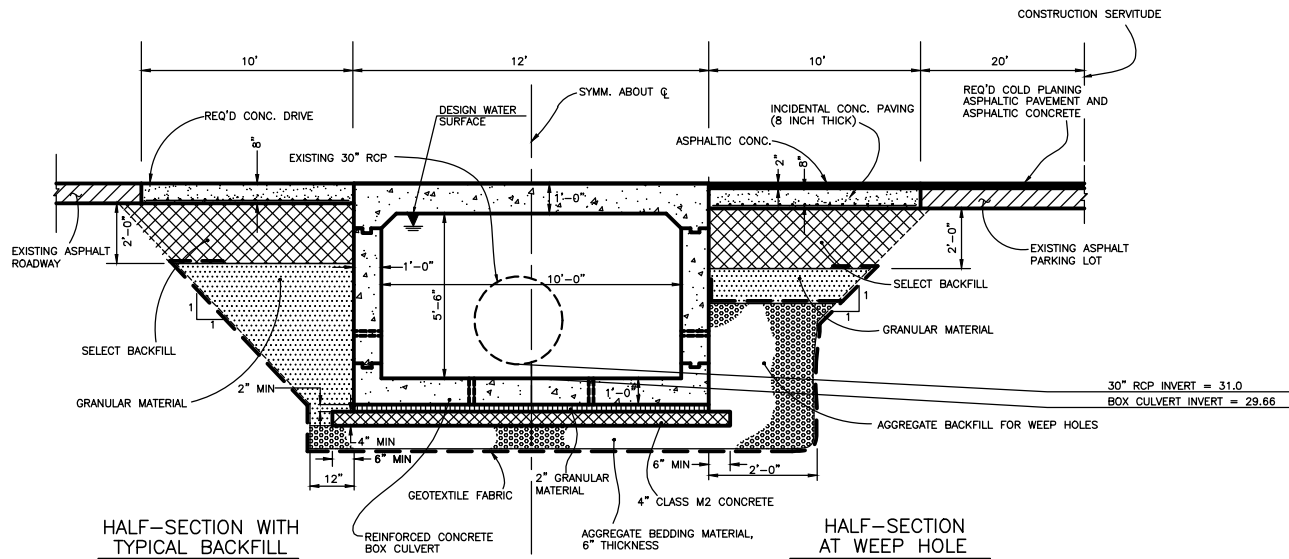
<u>STA.</u>	<u>INV. ELEV.</u>	<u>10-YR. DESIGN W.S. ELEV.</u>
150+66.00 - 156+00.00	29.54 -29.90	35.3 -36.0

Normal Water Surface
Elevation = 33.22'

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**TYPICAL SECTION OF DRIVEWAYS
AT BOX CULVERT LOCATIONS ALONG HEBERT ROAD**

STA. 152+00.00 - 152+60.00 - REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT (10'x5'-6") (RCB #4)
 STA. 154+25.50 - 155+05.50 - REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT (10'x5'-6") (RCB #5)
 N.T.S.

	STA.	INV. ELEV.	10-YR. DESIGN W.S. ELEV.
RCB #4	152+00.00 - 152+60.00	29.64 - 29.68	35.4 - 35.5
RCB #5	154+25.50 - 155+05.50	29.80 - 29.86	35.7 - 35.9

Normal Water Surface
Elevation = 33.22'

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