



Public Notice

**U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers**
Pittsburgh District

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Notice No. below

US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District
1000 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4186

Application No. LRP-2017-1942

Date: July 23, 2019

Notice No. 19-44

Closing Date: August 22, 2019

1. TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The following application has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.
2. APPLICANT: Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission
P.O. Box 67676
Harrisburg, PA 17106-7676
3. LOCATION: Mile Post (MP) 102-109 of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Mainline (I-76) in Jefferson, Lincoln, and Somerset Townships in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.
4. PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The applicant proposes to reconstruct seven miles of the existing Turnpike mainline (I-76) from approximate MP 102 to MP 109 and widening of the Turnpike to three (3) travel lanes in each direction with a widened (26 feet, 0 inches) median and paved outside shoulders. The total paved width of roadway is anticipated to increase from 82 to 122 feet. Horizontal curves at MP 101.8, 105.5, and 107.4 will be 'flattened' in order to comply with current roadway design standards. Drawings of the proposed project are attached to this notice. Project construction activities propose to permanently impact 13,522 linear feet (LF) of streams (4,628 LF of perennial streams, 2,154 LF of intermittent streams, and 6,740 LF of ephemeral streams); permanently impact 1.519 acres of wetlands [1.315 acres of palustrine emergent wetlands (PEM), 0.066 acre of palustrine scrub-shrub (PSS) wetlands, and 0.138 acres of palustrine open water (POW) wetlands]; and temporarily impact 4,680 LF of streams (1,949 LF of perennial streams, 542 LF of intermittent streams, and 2,189 LF of ephemeral streams) and temporarily impact 1.989 acres of wetlands (1.855 acres of PEM wetlands, 0.045 acre of PSS wetlands, and 0.089 acres of POW wetlands) for the PTC Mainline (I-76) impacts. The Klejka Stream Mitigation Site will incur permanent impacts of 0.011 acres to PEM wetlands and temporary impacts of 0.536 acres to PEM wetlands.

The applicant proposes to deduct 3.142 acres of wetlands (2.641 acre of PEM wetlands [2.63 acres for PTC Mainline (I-76) and 0.011 acres for Klejka Stream Mitigation Site], 0.363 acre of PEM wetlands for PSS impacts, and 0.138 acre of POW wetlands) from the PTC Louie-Beach Advance Wetland Compensation Site. The applicant also

proposes to relocate/establish/enhance 2,799 LF of perennial streams, 1,032 LF of intermittent streams, and 5,130 LF of ephemeral streams and enhance 3,079 LF of stream Clear Run with the construction of the Klejka Stream Mitigation Site.

5. ENCROACHMENT PERMIT: The applicant must obtain a Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permit which includes 401 Water Quality Certification from the:

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Southwest Regional Office
Waterways and Wetlands Section
400 Waterfront Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4745

Telephone: 412-442-4000

6. IMPACT ON NATURAL RESOURCES: The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect endangered species or threatened species, or result in destruction or adverse modification of habitat of such species which has been determined to be critical. This Public Notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1972 (as amended). If the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurs with the may affect, not likely to adversely affect determination please respond with written concurrence.

7. IMPACT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES: The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted, and it has been determined that there are no properties currently listed on the register which would be directly affected by the proposed work. If we are made aware, as a result of comments received in response to this notice, or by other means, of specific archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical sites or structures which might be affected by the proposed work, the District Engineer will immediately take the appropriate action necessary pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 - Public Law 89-665 as amended (including Public Law 96-515).

8. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in the paragraph below entitled "RESPONSES," that a public hearing be held to consider this application. The requests for public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

9. EVALUATION: Interested parties are invited to state any objections they may have to the proposed work. The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an

evaluation of the probable impact 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 proposals 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, flood plain 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 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 Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, 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 the 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 overall public interest of the proposed activity. The evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, under the authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).


10. RESPONSES: A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest. Written statements concerning the proposed activity should be received in this office on or before the closing date of this Public Notice in order to become a part of the record and to be considered in the final determination. Any objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested DA Permit. All responses to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Division, attn: Cassandra Forsyth at the above address, by telephoning (412) 395-7208 or by e-mail at Cassandra.P.Forsyth@usace.army.mil. Please refer to CELRP-RGS 2017-1942 in all responses.

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Regulatory Division


Pennsylvania Turnpike
Total Reconstruction Project
from Milepost 102-109
Lincoln, Jefferson,
and Somerset Townships
Somerset County, Pennsylvania



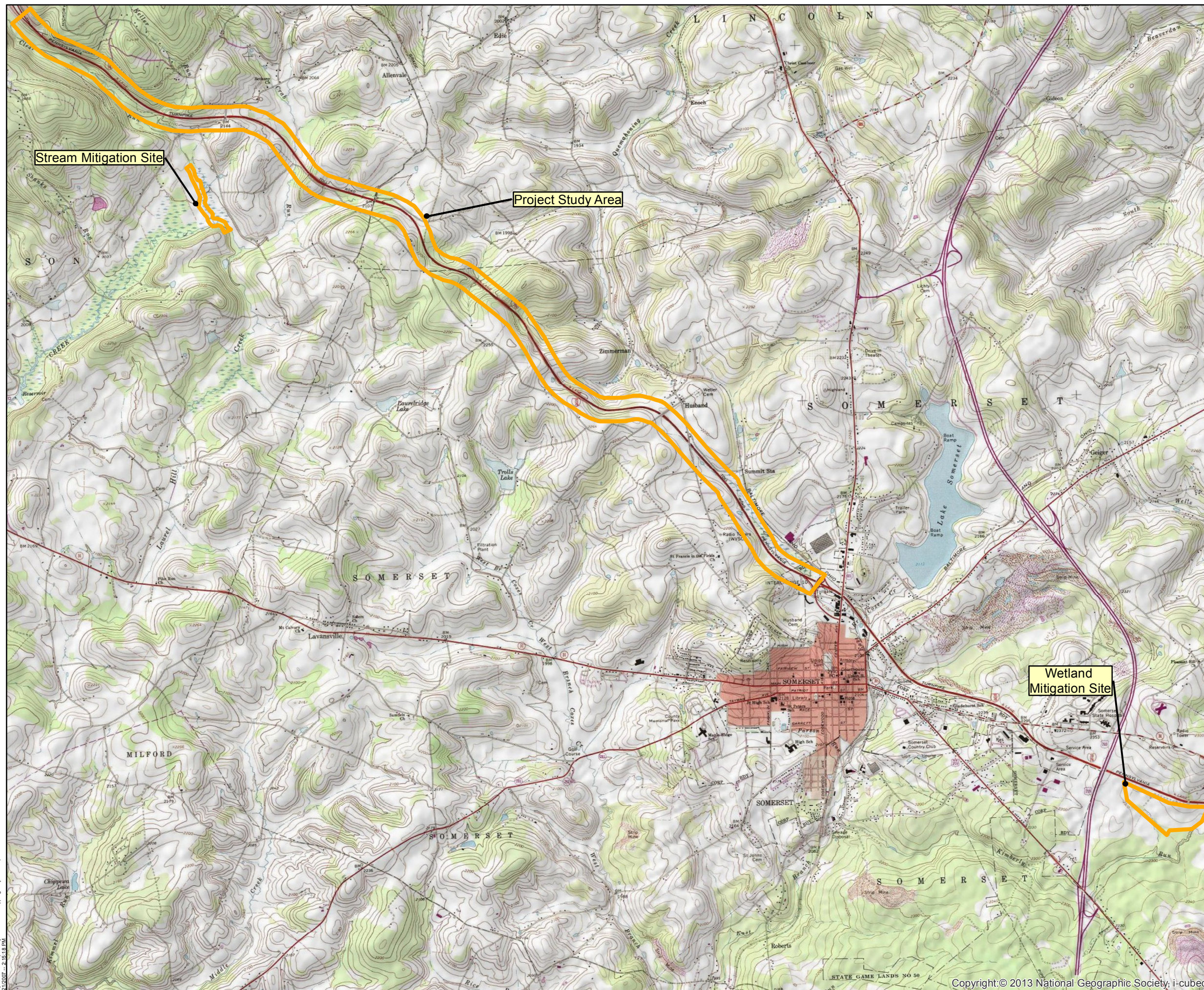
 Project Study Areas

Source: USGS 7.5' DRGs: Bakersville, PA;
Seven Springs, PA; Somerset, PA.

Figure 1: Project Location

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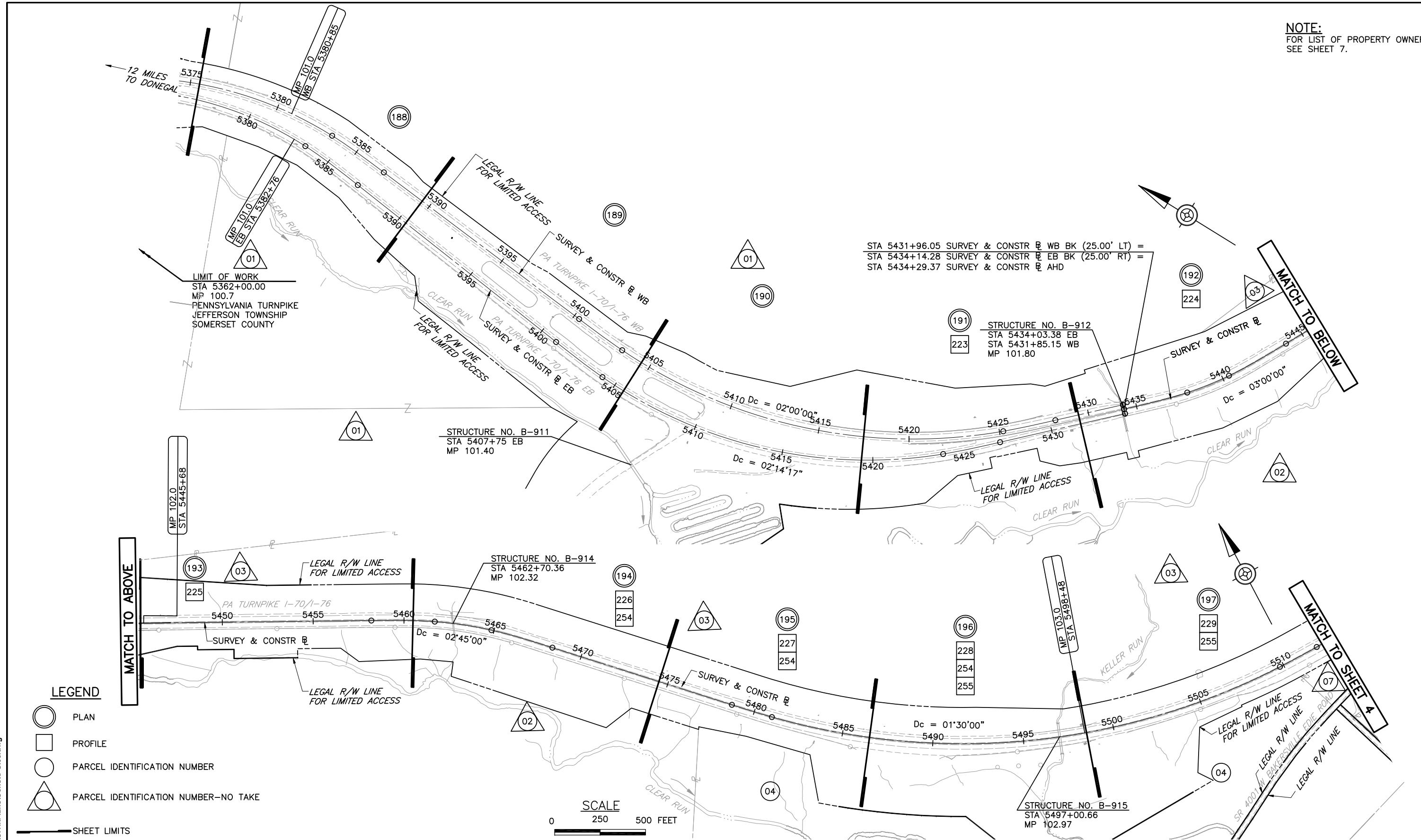
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 STA 5434+14.28 SURVEY & CONSTR @ EB BK (25.00' RT) =
 STA 5434+29.37 SURVEY & CONSTR @ AHD

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STA 5431+85.15 WB
MP 101.80

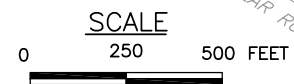
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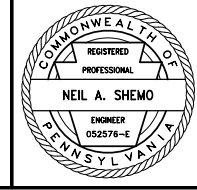
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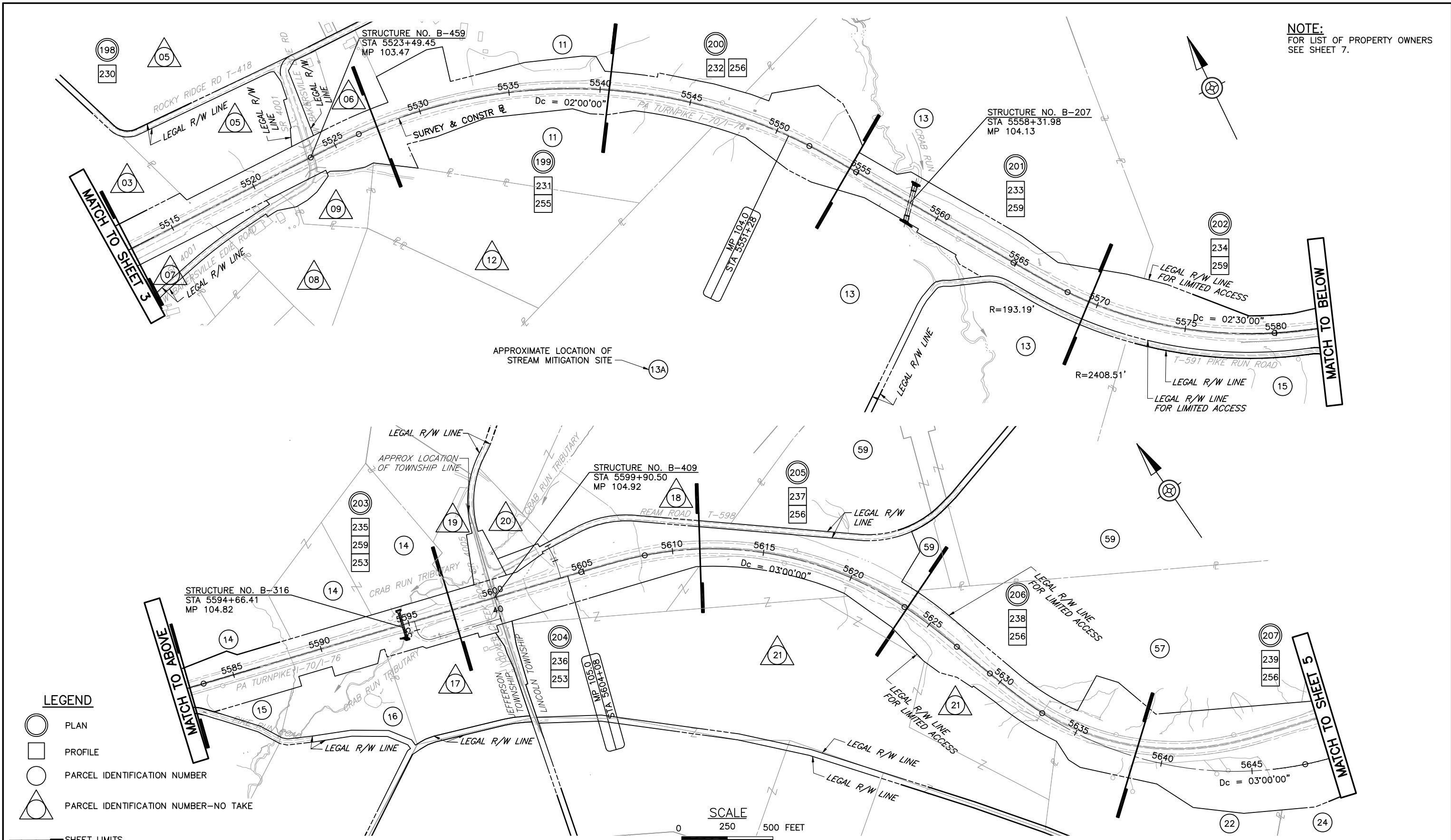
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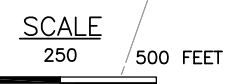
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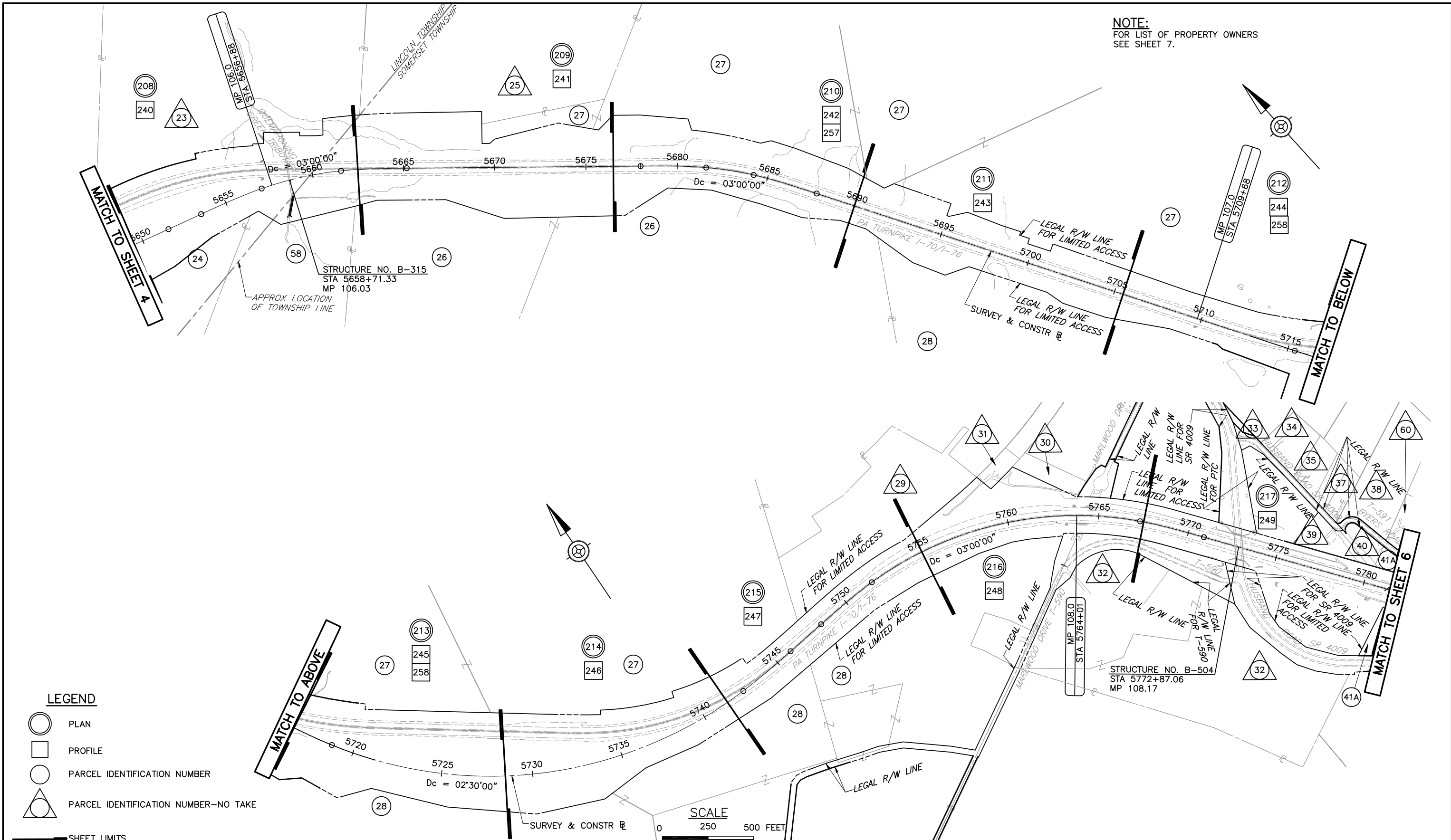
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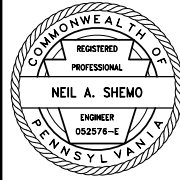


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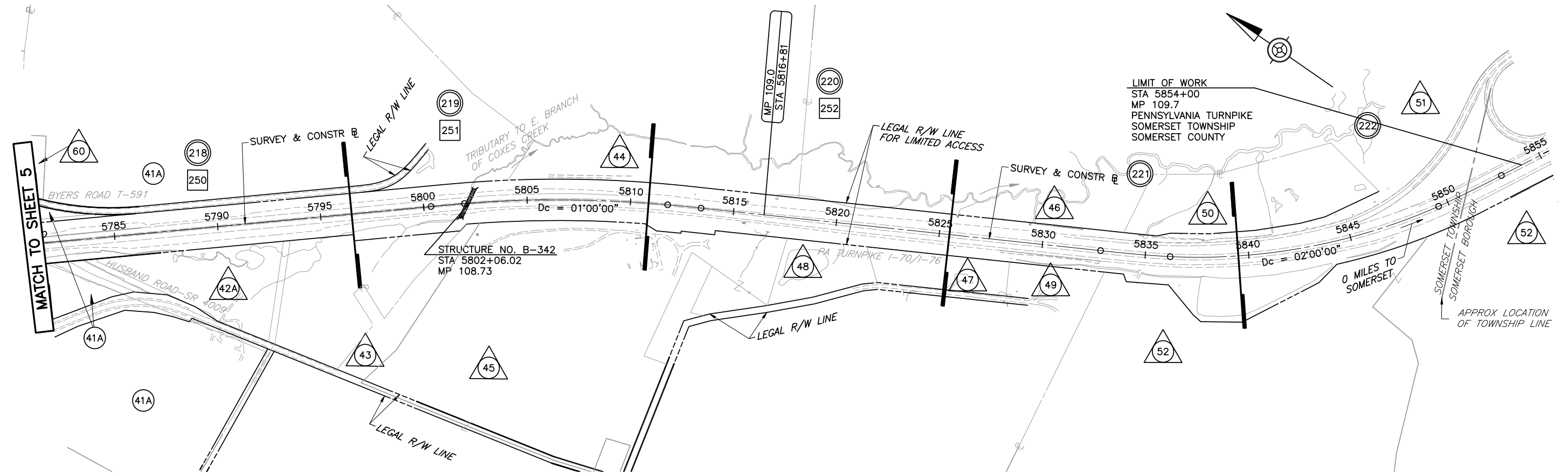
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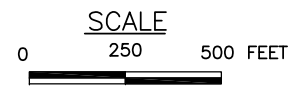
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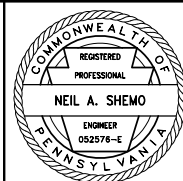
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