

Waters of the U.S. Delineation Report

FM 1173 from FM 156 to IH 35 (CSJs 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002)

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1.0 Introduction

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) conducted a waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) delineation for a proposed road project on Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 1173 from FM 156 to Interstate Highway (IH) 35 in the City of Krum and Denton County, Texas (CSJs 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002). The delineation was completed on April 16 and 20, 2020.

The delineation was performed to evaluate the presence of jurisdictional WOTUS and identify their boundaries within the project area. It is anticipated that this waters of the U.S. delineation report (WOTUS DR) will be used in support of the jurisdictional determination process for on-site aquatic resources. If it is determined that jurisdictional resources will be impacted, this WOTUSDR will also support applications for regulatory permits that may be required from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for proposed construction activities.

Waterbodies were delineated according to USACE Regulatory Guidance Letter (RGL) 05-05 Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM) Identification for non-tidal waters and the Mean High Tide (MHT) line for tidal waters. As required under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), wetlands were delineated using the routine method described in the USACE 1987 Wetlands Delineation Manual (1987 Manual) and the USACE Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Great Plains Region (Version 2.0) (March 2010 Regional Supplement). Wetland types and boundaries were determined through initial map review, followed by fieldwork involving the examination of three (3) parameters: hydrology, vegetation, and soils. Delineation criteria and indicators for each of these parameters are outlined in the 1987 Manual and the March 2010 Regional Supplement. The March 2010 Regional Supplement presents wetland indicators, delineation guidance, and other information that is specific to the Great Plains Region, per the regional supplement. Wetlands were classified according to the Cowardin Classification System used for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) National Wetlands Inventory (NWI).

This document contains the following five (5) attachments:

- Attachment 1 Figures: contains maps of the project area
- Attachment 2 Wetland Determination Data Forms: documents the three (3) criteria for wetlands at all sample points
- Attachment 3 Historical Aerial Photographs: contains historical aerial imagery, starting with the oldest photographs first
- Attachment 4 Site Photographs: contains photographs taken during the site visit(s)
- Attachment 5 Stream Data Forms

2.0 Project Overview

The proposed project improvements would include constructing a new six-lane rural highway with sidewalks on both sides of the existing two-lane undivided roadway. The reconstruction of FM 1173 would be approximately 5,400 feet in length; the new construction portion of FM 1173 would be approximately 3,200 feet and the reconstruction of the existing Barthold Road would be approximately 10,400 feet in length. The proposed 3.6-mile long project would require the acquisition of up to 51.75 acres of right of way (ROW) to widen FM 1173 and Barthold Road.

Attachment 1 - Figures contains seven maps of the project area. Figure 1 provides a vicinity map that depicts the location of the project area, Figure 2 is a 7.5-minute series United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic overview map, Figure 3 is an aerial overview map of the project area, Figure 4 is the NWI overview map, Figure 5 is the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service

(NRCS) soil overview map of the project area, Figure 6 is the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood insurance rate map (FIRM) overview map of the project area, and Figure 7 provides the project layout of the proposed project in relation to the potential jurisdictional WOTUS.

3.0 Ecological Site Description

The project area is located within the Southwestern Prairies Cotton and Forage Land Resource Region (LRR J) of the Great Plains and is more specifically located in Major Land Resource Area (MLRA) 86C (Eastern Cross Timbers).

The dominant soil orders in this MLRA are Alfisols, Entisols, and Mollisols. They are moderately deep or deep, medium textured to coarse textured, and moderately well drained to somewhat excessively drained. They have a thermic soil temperature regime, an ustic soil moisture regime, and smectitic, siliceous, or mixed mineralogy. Shallow and moderately deep Haplustalfs (Rayex series) and Paleustalfs (Birome series) formed on sandstone-capped hills and ridges. Deep, well drained and moderately well drained Paleustalfs (Callisburg and Crosstell series) formed in clayey material on hillsides. Very deep, well drained, moderately permeable Ultic Paleustalfs (Gasil and Konsil series) formed in sandy material on hillsides. Very deep, well drained Arenic Paleustalfs (Silstid series) and very deep, somewhat excessively drained Psammentic Paleustalfs (Eufaula series) formed in sandy material and have a thick, sandy surface layer. Deep, gently sloping Paleustalfs (Bastrop and Bastsil series) formed on stream terraces and footslopes on erosional remnants. Nearly level Haplustolls (Whitesboro series) and Ustifluvents (Pulexas and Bunyan series) formed on narrow flood plains along tributaries.

The native vegetation in this area consists of mid and tall grasses interspersed with blackjack oak and post oak. The area supports oak savanna vegetation with an understory of tall grasses. Little bluestem, purpletop tridens, Indiangrass, switchgrass, big bluestem, post oak, blackjack oak, elm, coralberry, American beautyberry, bumelia, greenbrier, and elbowbush are some of the dominant species. Engelmann's daisy, lespedezas, and trailing wildbean are among the numerous perennial forbs.

Some of the major wildlife species in this area are whitetailed deer, javelina, coyote, fox, bobcat, raccoon, skunk, opossum, jackrabbit, cottontail, turkey, bobwhite quail, scaled quail, white-winged dove, and mourning dove.

Most of this area is in farms and ranches, but sizable tracts in the central part of the area are rapidly being converted to urban uses. Some of the large tracts are being fragmented into smaller ranches. Most of this rural area is used as improved pasture, native grass pasture, or noncommercial oak forest and is grazed mainly by beef cattle. Some areas are used for peanuts, small grains, forage sorghum, fruits, or vegetables.

The average annual precipitation in this area is 34 to 41 inches (865 to 1,040 millimeters). Most of the rainfall occurs in spring and fall. The average precipitation during the freeze-free period is about 24 to 26 inches (610 to 660 millimeters). The average annual temperature is 62 to 66 degrees F (17 to 19 degrees C). The freeze-free period averages about 265 days and ranges from 255 to 280 days.

Currently, the project area is located in a rural/suburban setting, with large amount of newly built high-density residential neighborhoods and service establishments. Developed and undeveloped lands are present within the proposed project area. Developed lands include single-family residences, retail, commercial, public facilities, and places of worship. Undeveloped lands comprise of vacant (not utilized), agriculture (ranch and pasture), fenced row vegetation, streams, and ponds. Active agricultural lands exist adjacent to the proposed project. Vegetation in the project vicinity consists primarily of maintained urban grasses, landscaping, and agriculture (crops). Some woodland and mixed shrub areas are also present near the streams. Land use changes would result in Agriculture; Crosstimbers Woodland and Forest; Disturbed Prairie; Open Water; Riparian; and Tallgrass Prairie, Grassland ecological systems being converted to Urban.

3.1 Map and Database Review

The following information sources were considered and, if applicable, consulted prior to and during the field delineation to assist in the identification of potential waters of the U.S. within the project area.

3.1.1 USGS Topographic Maps

USGS topographic maps illustrate elevation contours, drainage patterns, and hydrography. The Sanger, Texas, USGS Quad map was reviewed to determine the likelihood of the project area containing jurisdictional waterbodies.

3.1.2 USFWS NWI Data

NWI data were reviewed as a contributing resource to help identify potential wetland features located within the project area.

3.1.3 NRCS Soil Survey Data

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) maintains an online Web Soil Survey database. The data provided in the Web Soil Survey provides a good basis for the soil textures and types one can expect to find at a particular delineation area. NRCS-mapped soil types at the project area were reviewed to determine which of the soils exhibit hydric characteristics. NRCS-mapped soil types are assigned a hydric indicator status of "hydric" or "non-hydric" by the National Technical Committee for Hydric Soils.

3.1.4 Aerial Photography

Aerial photography provides good insight to the state and function of land resources. Signs of inundation and vegetative signatures on aerial images indicate whether land might be functioning as a wetland or supporting a stream system. Historic and current aerial photography was reviewed utilizing Google Earth, prior to and during the field delineation, in order to further understand the nature of the project area.

3.1.5 FEMA FIRM

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) maintains flood insurance rate maps (FIRMs). The FIRM including the project area was reviewed to determine if the 100-year floodplain is mapped. The USACE utilizes the 100-year floodplain to assist in determining jurisdiction of aquatic features. FEMA FIRM data was reviewed to evaluate the location of any mapped floodplain in relation to aquatic resources located within the project area.

3.1.6 LiDAR

Light detection and ranging (LiDAR) is a remote sensing technique that measures spatial and temporal data. LiDAR information is provided by the TNRIS online database for each USGS Quad. LiDAR data was not available for the project area.

3.2 Waters of the U.S. Delineation

With respect to any non-tidal waterbodies located within the project area, biologists followed the methodology outlined in RGL 05-05. With respect to any tidal waterbodies located within the site, biologists identified the MHT line by observing changes in vegetation, drift deposits of shells and debris, and physical markings or characteristics along the shoreline that may indicate the general height reached by a rising tide.

Data collected for any waterbodies includes average water depth, average width per waterbody, length of linear segments within the project boundary, and water flow classification (i.e., tidal, non-tidal, ephemeral, intermittent, and/or perennial).

Any wetland delineation was conducted based on the 1987 Manual and the March 2010 Regional Supplement, as well as the three (3) parameters described within. The three-parameter approach requires investigation of hydrological characteristics, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils at selected sample points within a project area. Sample points are located to ascertain upland/wetland boundaries and to record significant spatial changes in wetland plant communities. All three (3) indicator parameters must be met in order for the area to be classified as a wetland. See subsections on Hydrology, Vegetation, and Soils, below, for indicator-specific information.

Geospatial data was collected utilizing a Trimble Pathfinder Pro XH Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver and Ranger data logger with sub-meter accuracy.

3.2.1 Hydrology

Wetland hydrology is characterized when, under normal circumstances, the surface is either inundated or the upper horizon(s) of the soil are saturated at a sufficient frequency and duration to create anaerobic conditions. Seasonal and long-term rainfall patterns, local geology and topography, soil type, local water table conditions, and drainage are factors that influence hydrology.

Wetland hydrology indicators include: oxidized rhizospheres along living roots, saturated soils, standing surface water, algal mat, aquatic fauna, high water table, iron deposits, sparsely vegetated concave surface, geomorphic position, moss trim lines, water-stained leaves, crawfish burrows, watermarks, drainage patterns, and surface soil cracks.

During the field survey, these indicators were used to determine if an area exhibited wetland hydrology.

3.2.2 Vegetation

In accordance with the procedure set forth in the 1987 Manual and the March 2010 Regional Supplement, the hydrophytic status of vegetation communities was determined by identifying dominant species and, if necessary, calculating a "Prevalence Index," as defined in the 1987 Manual.

Individual plant species were checked against the current National Wetland Plant List (NWPL), and their regional wetland indicator status was determined. Species are classified as follows:

- Obligate Wetland (OBL) if they almost always occur in wetlands (>99 percent of the time)
- Facultative Wetland (FACW) if they usually occur in wetlands (67-99 percent of the time)
- Facultative (FAC) if they are equally likely to occur in wetlands and non-wetlands (34-66 percent of the time)
- Facultative Upland (FACU) if they usually occur in non-wetlands (67-99 percent of the time)
- Obligate Upland (UPL) if they almost always occur in non-wetlands (>99 percent of the time)
- A no indicator (NI) status is recorded for those species for which insufficient information is available to determine an indicator status.

Hydrophytic (wetland) vegetation is considered prevalent where more than 50% of the dominant species in a plant community have an indicator status of OBL, FACW, or FAC. However, in cases where the vegetation community does not meet this hydrophytic threshold, but indicators of hydric soils and wetlands hydrology are present, the prevalence index can be applied. Calculation of this index is based on consideration of both dominant and non-dominant plants in the vegetation community, whereby each indicator status category is given a numeric code and weighted by absolute percent cover. The prevalence index ranges from 1 to 5 and an index of 3.0 or less signifies that hydrophytic vegetation is present. In the current delineation, and as shown on the wetland determination data forms in Attachment 2, a prevalence index was calculated for each sample point's vegetation community.

3.2.3 Soils

Hydric soils are defined as soils that are saturated, flooded, or ponded long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions in the upper horizons. Anaerobic conditions created by repeated or prolonged saturation or flooding result in permanent changes in soil color and chemistry. The changes in soil color are used to differentiate hydric from non-hydric soils.

At each sample point, in areas where the absence of inundation or heavy saturation allowed, a pit was excavated to a depth of at least 16 inches to reveal soil profiles and to determine whether or not positive indicators of hydric soils were present. Hydric soil indicators relate to color, structure, organic content, and the presence of reducing conditions. Color characteristics (Hue, Value, and Chroma) were recorded using Munsell® Charts.

4.0 Results

4.1 Map and Database Review

4.1.1 USGS Topographic Maps

A review of the 1978 Sanger, Texas topographic map showed the proposed project is located in the northwest area of Denton County. Jordan Creek, Dry Fork Hickory Creek and its tributaries, tributary to Dry Fork Creek, and tributary to Milam Creek cross the proposed project. The elevation varies in the project area from 700 to 760 feet above sea level (Attachment 1, Figure 2).

4.1.2 USFWS NWI Data

The table below summarizes the NWI features within the project area. Refer to Figure 4 in Attachment 1 for an illustration of the NWI features in and surrounding the project area.

Table 1: NWI Features

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Classification Code	Code Description	Wetland Type
PEM1C	Palustrine, Emergent, Persistent, Seasonally Flooded	Freshwater Emergent Wetland
PUBFh	Palustrine, Unconsolidated Bottom, Semipermanently Flooded, Diked/Impounded	Freshwater Pond
PUBHx	Palustrine, Unconsolidated Bottom, Permanently Flooded, Excavated	Freshwater Pond
R4SBC	Riverine, Intermittent, Streambed, Seasonally Flooded	Riverine
R5UBH	Riverine, Unknown Perennial, Unconsolidated Bottom, Permanently Flooded	Riverine

4.1.3 NRCS Soil Survey Data

The table below summarizes the soil units represented within the project area based on information collected from the Web Soil Survey database. Refer to Figure 5 in Attachment 1 for an illustration of the mapped soil units in and surrounding the project area.

Table 2: NRCS Soil Units

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Soil Unit	Soil Unit Name	Description	Hydric/Non-hydric	
13	Birome-Rayex-Aubrey complex, 2 to 15 percent slopes	The gently sloping to moderately steep soils of this complex are on convex ridges. These soils are moderately deep and well drained. Permeability is slow. Runoff is rapid. The available water capacity is low. The hazard of water erosion is severe.	Non-hydric	
Burleson clay, 1 to 3 percent slopes		This deep, gently sloping soil is on valley fills and edges of upland terraces. This soil is moderately well drained. Runoff is medium, and permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is high. When dry, this soil has deep cracks that extend to a depth of 30 to 60 inches. Water enters the soil rapidly when it is dry and cracked and very slowly when it is wet and the cracks are sealed.	Non-hydric	
54	Lindale clay loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes	This deep, gently sloping soil is on convex ridges. This soil is well drained. Runoff is medium. Permeability is slow. Available water capacity is medium. The hazard of erosion is moderate.	Non-hydric	
Medlin-Sanger clays, 5 to 15 percent slopes		These sloping to moderately steep soils are on sides of ridges. The soils in this complex are well drained. Permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is high. Runoff is rapid, and the hazard of erosion is severe.	Non-hydric	
58	Mingo clay loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes	This moderately deep, gently sloping soil is on convex, slight ridges and side slopes between valley fills and high limestone ridges. This soil is well drained. Runoff is medium. Permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is low.	Non-hydric	
66	Ponder loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes	This deep, gently sloping soil is on low convex ridges and in valley fill areas. This soil is well drained. Surface runoff is medium. Permeability is very slow. Available water	Non-hydric	

Table 2: NRCS Soil Units

Soil Unit	Soil Unit Name Description		Hydric/Non-hydric
		capacity is medium. The hazard of erosion is moderate. The surface layer is very hard and difficult to till when it is dry.	
67	Sanger clay, 1 to 3 percent slopes	This deep, gently sloping soil is in valley fill areas between limestone ridges. This soil is well drained. Runoff is medium. Permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is high. The hazard of erosion is moderate.	Non-hydric
68	Sanger clay, 3 to 5 percent slopes	This deep, gently sloping soil is in valley fill areas and on sides of ridges. This soil is well drained. Runoff is medium. Permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is high. The hazard of erosion is severe.	Non-hydric
Slidell clay, 1 to 3 percent slopes		This deep, gently sloping soil is in valley fill areas and in the low landscape positions. This soil is well drained. Surface runoff is slow. Permeability is very slow. Available water capacity is high. This soil receives runoff water from the higher slopes, and it is difficult to work during extremes in the moisture content.	Non-hydric
75	Somervell gravelly loam, 1 to 5 percent slopes	This moderately deep, gently sloping soil is on high convex ridges and side slopes. This soil is well drained. Runoff is rapid. Permeability is moderate. Available water capacity is very low. The hazard of erosion is severe where the soil is left bare. The limited rooting depth and available water capacity need to be considered when selecting plants for this soil.	Non-hydric

4.1.4 Aerial Photography

Historic aerial imagery for the project and surrounding areas was evaluated using images provided by Google Earth. The table below summarizes observations for the project area for each year reviewed. Attachment 3 contains copies of the historic aerial photographs reviewed for the project area.

Table 3: Historic Aerial Photography Observations

Year	Observations
1996	FM 1173 in its present location. Majority of the adjacent properties consists of vacant lands, mostly for agricultural and rangeland uses, with single-family homes. Commercial buildings were located at the eastern end and commercial and residential buildings were located at the western end of the proposed project.
2001	No change.
2005	The addition of residential subdivisions adjacent to the proposed project (south-central) was observed.
2007	No change.
2008	Additional single-family homes were built in the subdivisions mentioned in 2005.
2009 - 2014	No change.
2015	Additional commercial buildings were constructed at the eastern end of the proposed project.
2016 - 017	No change.
2018	The addition of residential subdivisions (platted) adjacent to the proposed project (north-central) was observed.
2019	Single-family residential homes were being constructed in the subdivision mentioned in 2018.

4.1.5 FEMA FIRM

Review of FEMA FIRM Panel 48121C0215G (effective 4/18/2011) indicate that the majority of the project area is outside the 100-year floodplain. The sections of the proposed project that cross Jordan Creek and Dry Fork Hickory Creek and its tributary are situated within Zone A (areas subject to inundation by the 1-percent-annual-chance flood event generally determined using approximate methodologies. Because detailed hydraulic analyses have not been performed, no Base Flood Elevations or flood depths are shown. Mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements and floodplain management standards apply). Refer to Figures 3 and 6 in Attachment 1 for an illustration of the FEMA FIRM data within and surrounding the project area.

4.1.6 LiDAR

LiDAR data was not available for the project area.

4.2 Waters of the U.S. Delineation

The table below summarizes the waterbodies/wetlands identified within the project area. Refer to Figure 7 in Attachment 1 for a depiction of the boundaries of each waterbody/wetland feature, as well as the location within the project area where sample point data were collected. Refer to Attachment 2, Wetland Determination Data Forms, for the completed wetland determination data forms for the project. Refer to Attachment 4,

Representative Site Photos, for one or more photographs of each waterbody/wetland feature observed within the project area.

Table 4: Summary of Waterbody/Wetland Features

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Waterbody or Wetland Number	Name	Туре	Latitude, Longitude	Acres within project area (all waterbodies and wetlands)	Linear feet within project area (waterbodies only)	Potentially Jurisdictional (Section 404)?	Potentially Navigable (Section 10)?
1	Jordan Creek	Intermittent stream	33.259990 -97.2336207	0.06	288	Yes	No
2A	Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Ephemeral stream	33.259438 -97.2265116	0.03	197	Yes	No
2В	Wetland	Palustrine emergent	33.2596031 -97.2267702	0.10	N/A	Yes	No
ЗА	Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2603328 -97.2203201	0.07	340	Yes	No
3В	unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2605052 -97.2205481	0.01	104	Yes	No
3C	Wetland	Palustrine emergent	33.2600331 -97.2208974	0.19	N/A	Yes	No
4	unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2602598 -97.2068775	0.004	60	Yes	No
5	unnamed tributary to Milam Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2641318 -97.1794120	0.07	160	Yes	No

4.2.1 Hydrology

Normal circumstances conditions were present within the project area. The table below summarizes wetland hydrological indicators identified within the project area. Refer to the wetland determination data forms in Attachment 2 to see the specific hydrology recorded at each sample point.

Table 5: Wetland Hydrological Indicators

Wetland Type	Sample Point Name(s)	Primary Wetland Hydrological Indicators	Secondary Wetland Hydrological Indicators
Palustrine emergent	DP1	Saturation (A3)	Crayfish burrows (C8) FAC-Neutral Test (D5
Palustrine emergent	DP4	Saturation (A#)	Crayfish burrows

4.2.2 Vegetation

Normal circumstances were present within the project area. Representative dominant taxa for each distinct habitat type encountered within the project area are listed in the tables below. Indicator status for each species was obtained from the current NWPL.

Table 6: Wetland Dominant Plant Species

Strata	Scientific Name	Common Name	NWPL Classification		
Herb	Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	FACW		
Herb	Eleocharis palustris	Common Spike-Rush	OBL		
Herb	Rumex crispus	Curly Dock	FAC		

Table 7: Upland Dominant Plant Species

Strata	Scientific Name	Common Name	NWPL Classification
Herb	Sorghum halepense	Johnson Grass	FACU
Herb	Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye Grass	FACU
Herb	Bromus arvensis	Field Brome	FACU
Herb	Cynodon dactylon	Bermuda Grass	FACU

4.2.3 Soils

Brown clay loam soils were found onsite and normal circumstances were present. The table below summarizes hydric soil data identified within the project area. Refer to the wetland determination data forms in Attachment 2 to see the specific soil data recorded at each sample point.

Wetland Type	Sample Point Name(s)	Hydric Soil Indicator(s)
Delivativia a sussificat	DD4	Redox Dark Surface (F6)
Palustrine emergent	DP1	Depleted Dark Surface (F7)

Wetland Type	Sample Point Name(s)	Hydric Soil Indicator(s)
Palustrine emergent	DP4	Redox Dark Surface (F6)

5.0 Conclusion

A WOTUS delineation was conducted for the FM 1173 from FM 156 to IH 35 in Krum, Denton County, Texas (CSJs 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002). The field delineation was completed on April 16 and 20, 2020. Refer to Section 5.2, above, for a table summarizing the aquatic resources (i.e., waterbodies/wetlands) identified within the project area.

Crossings 1 to 5 are relatively permanent waters (RPWs) that exhibit a direct downstream connection to a traditional navigable waters (TNW). Due to Crossing 1 to 5's continuous surface connection to a TNW, the USACE will likely assert jurisdiction over these features.

The professional opinion offered in this report is based on best professional judgement. It should be noted that the USACE makes the final determination on the location of waterbody and wetland boundaries and their jurisdictional status. To obtain an official jurisdictional determination (JD) from the USACE, this report must be submitted to the USACE Fort Worth District Office, along with a JD request form and, if appropriate, a preconstruction notification / permit application.

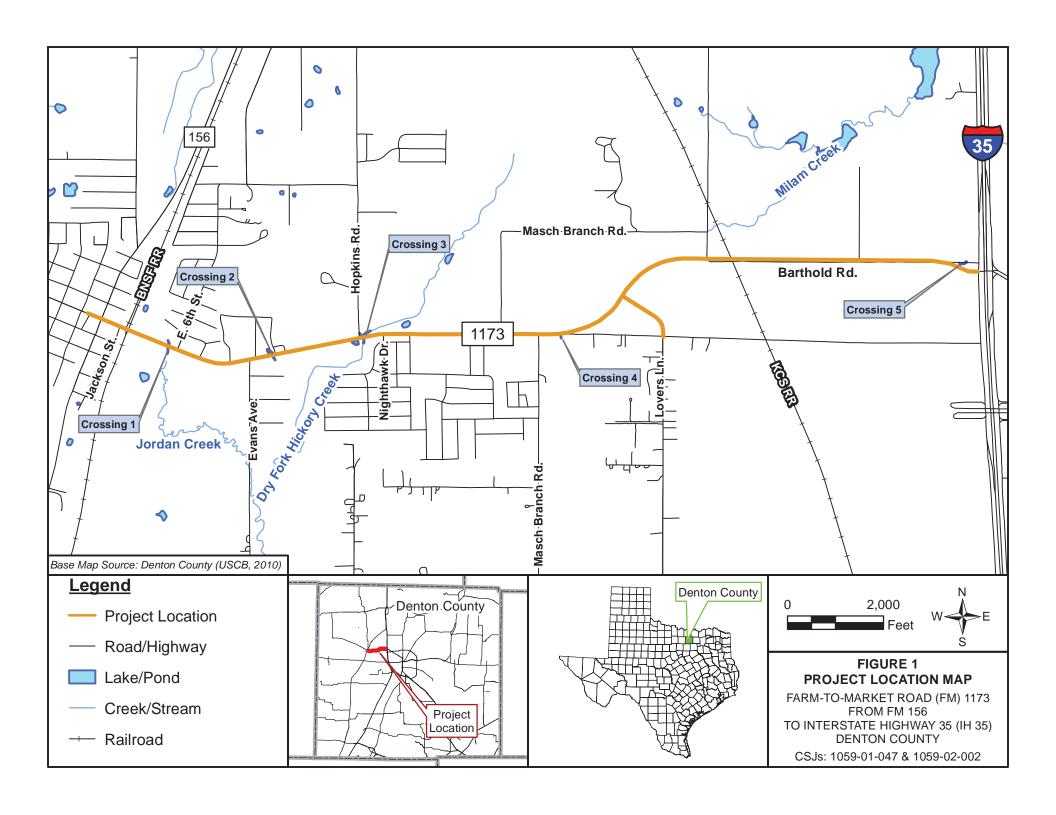
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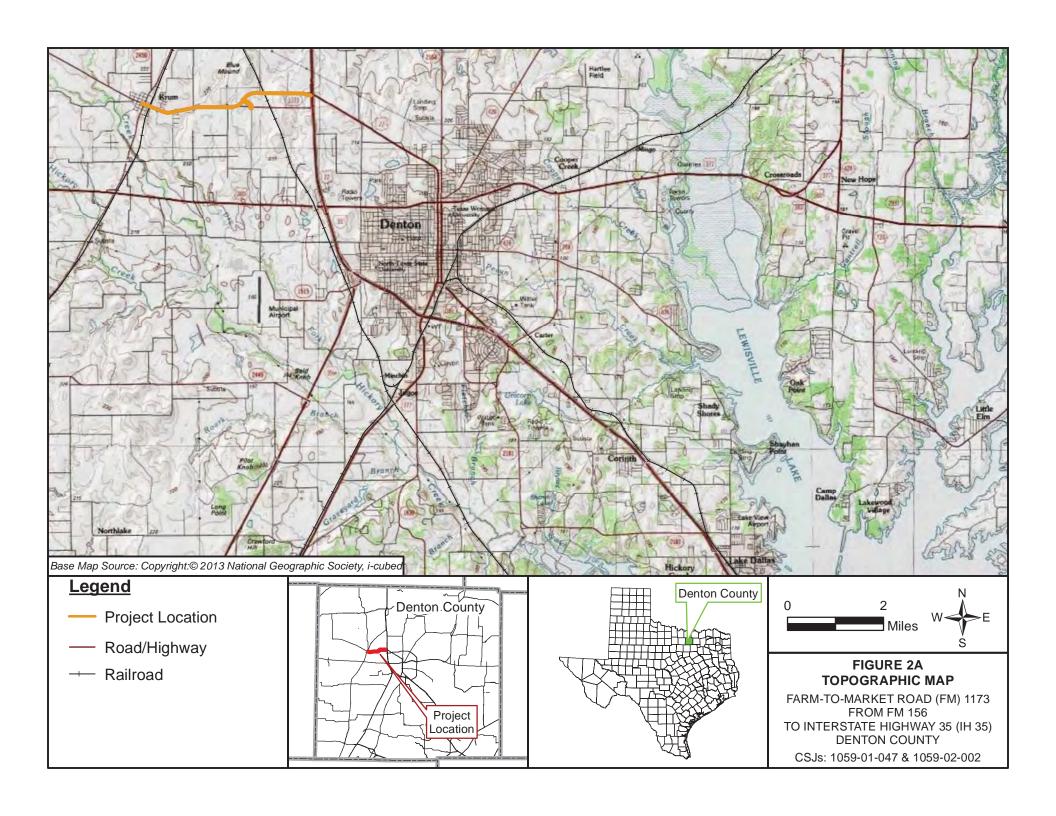
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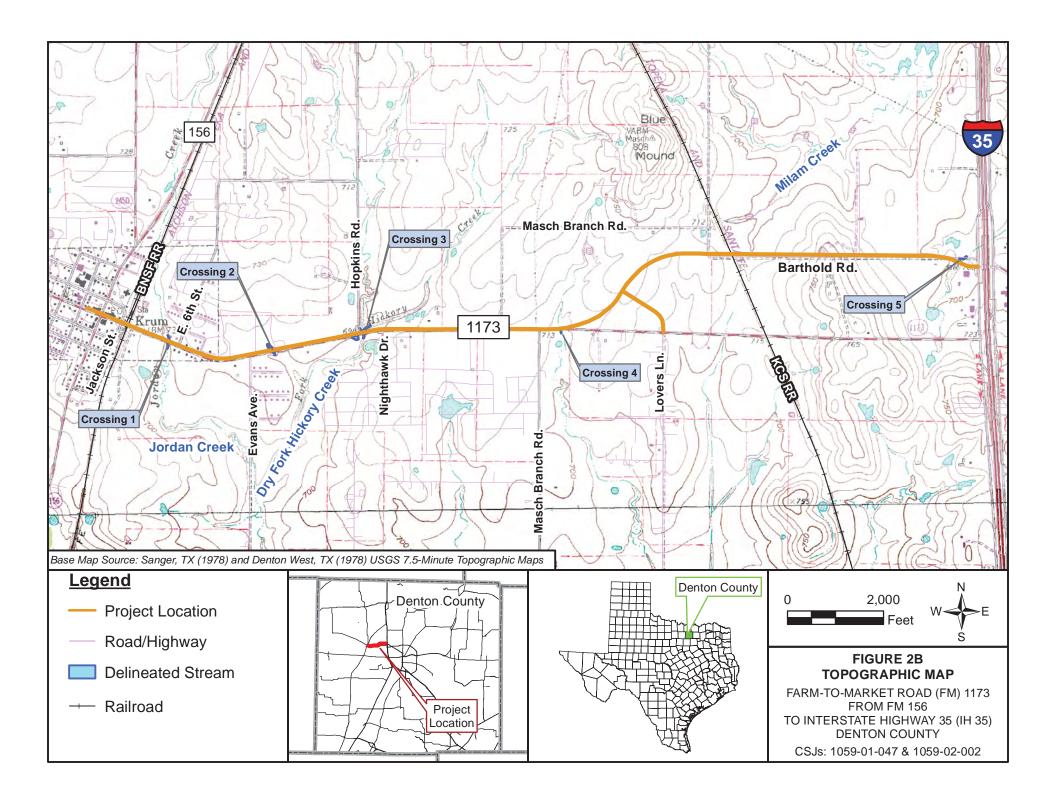
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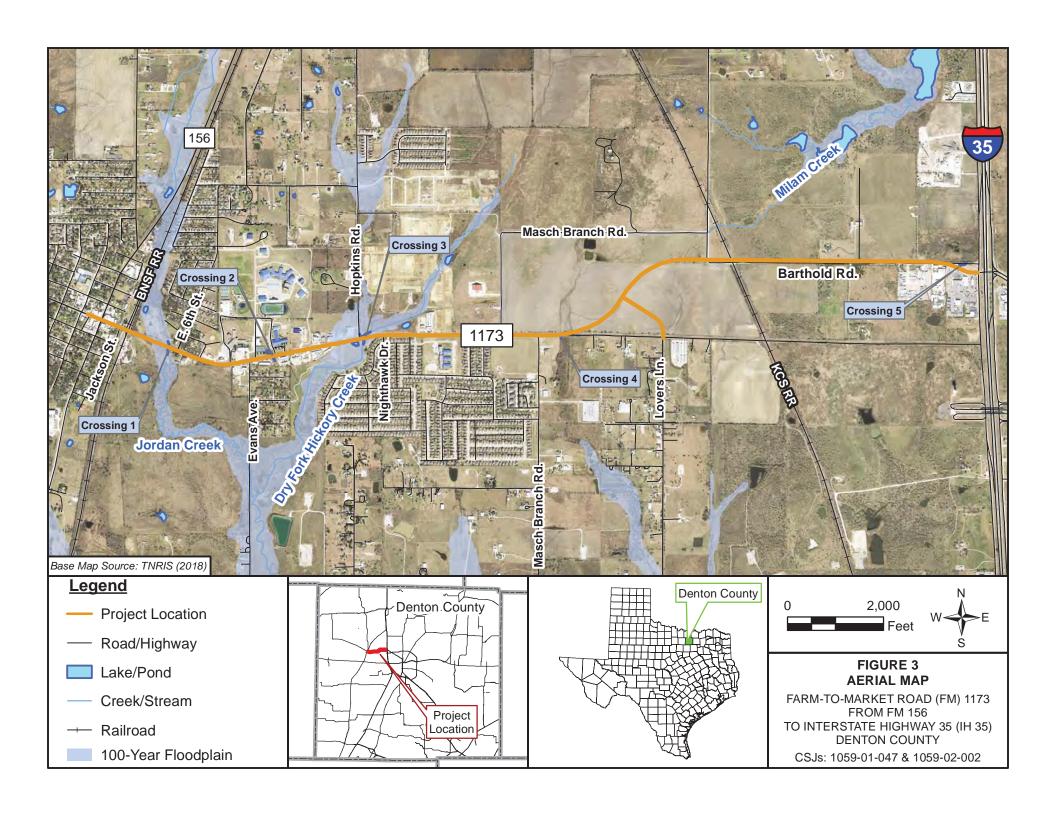
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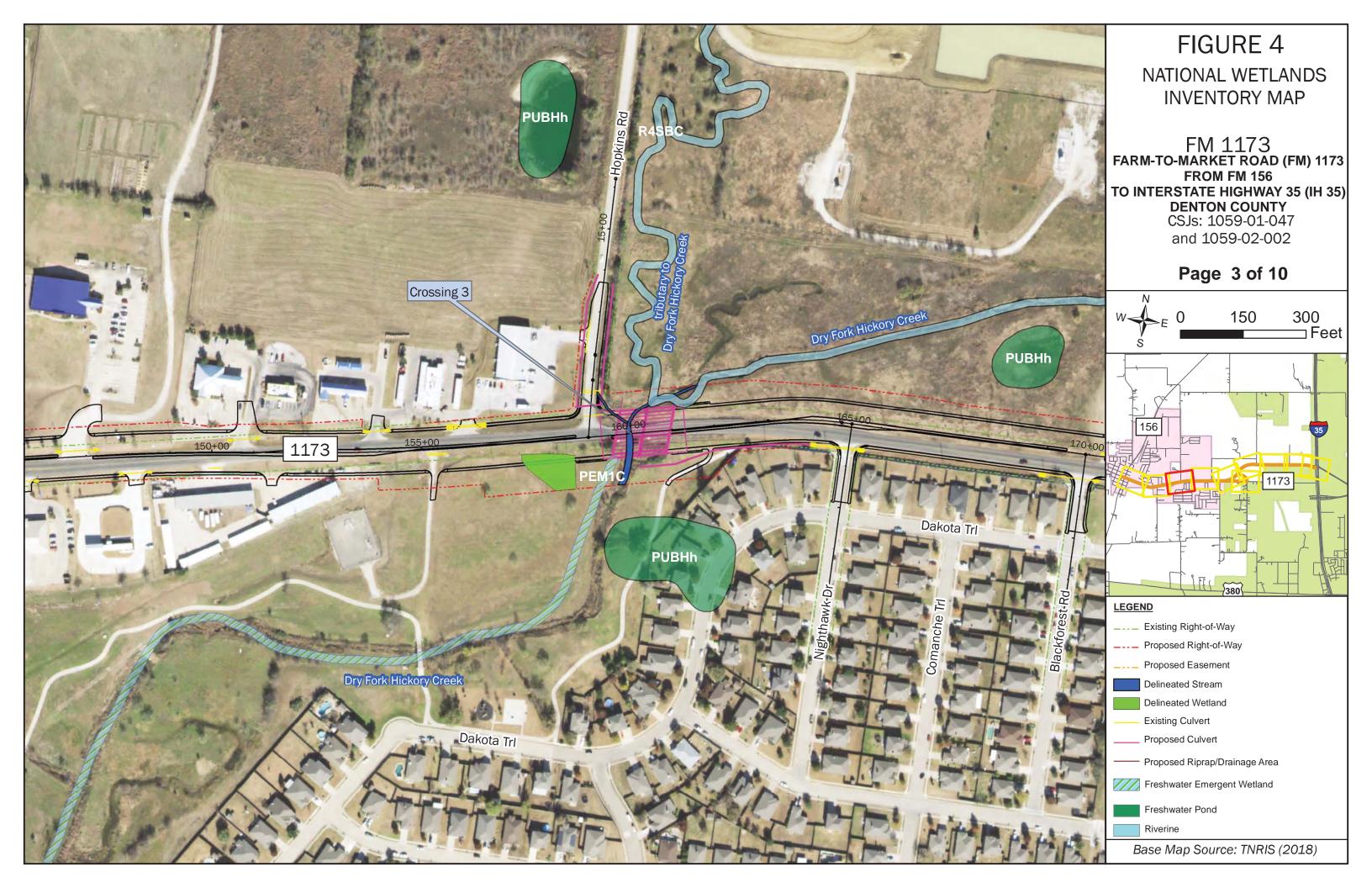




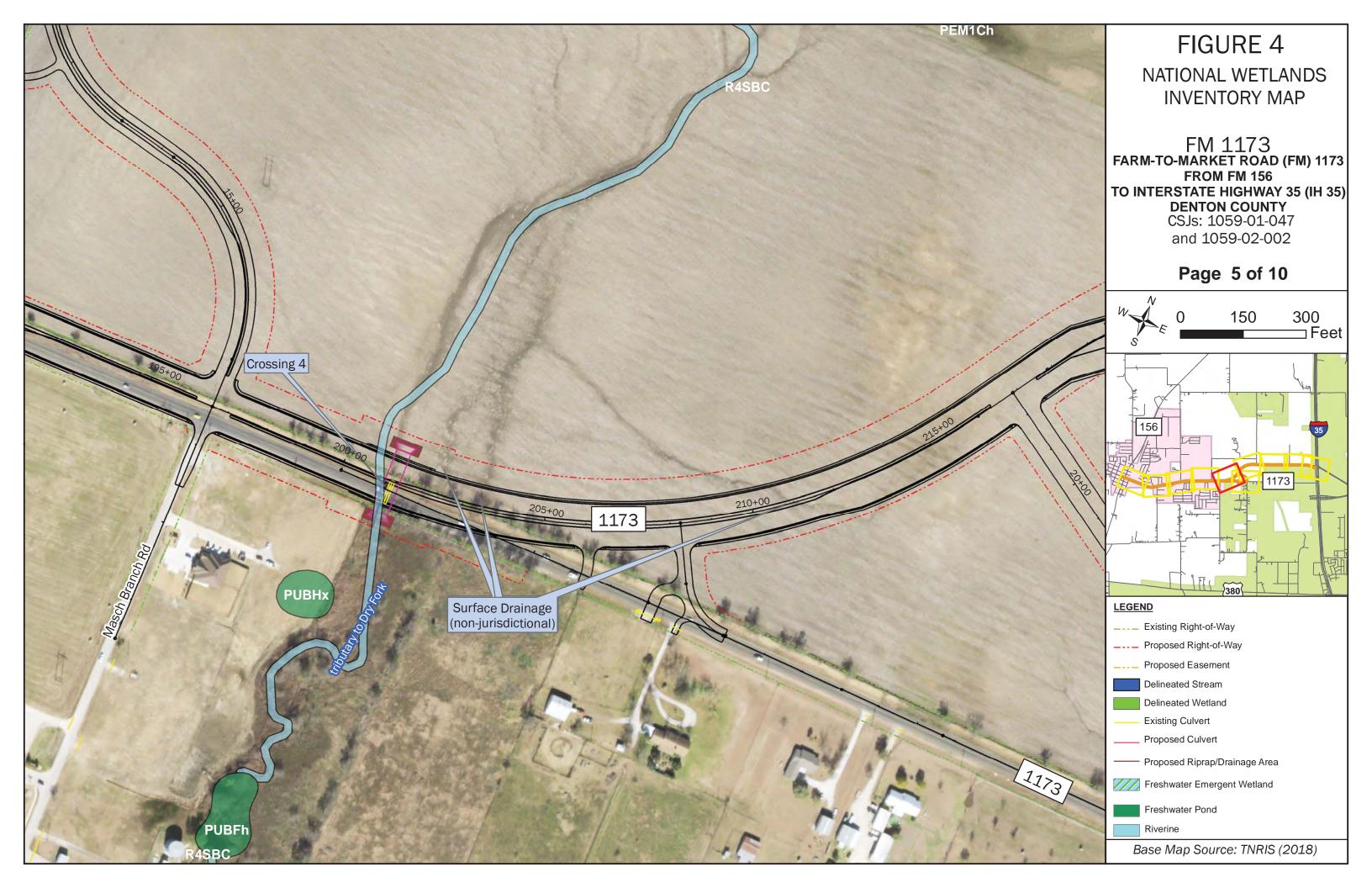




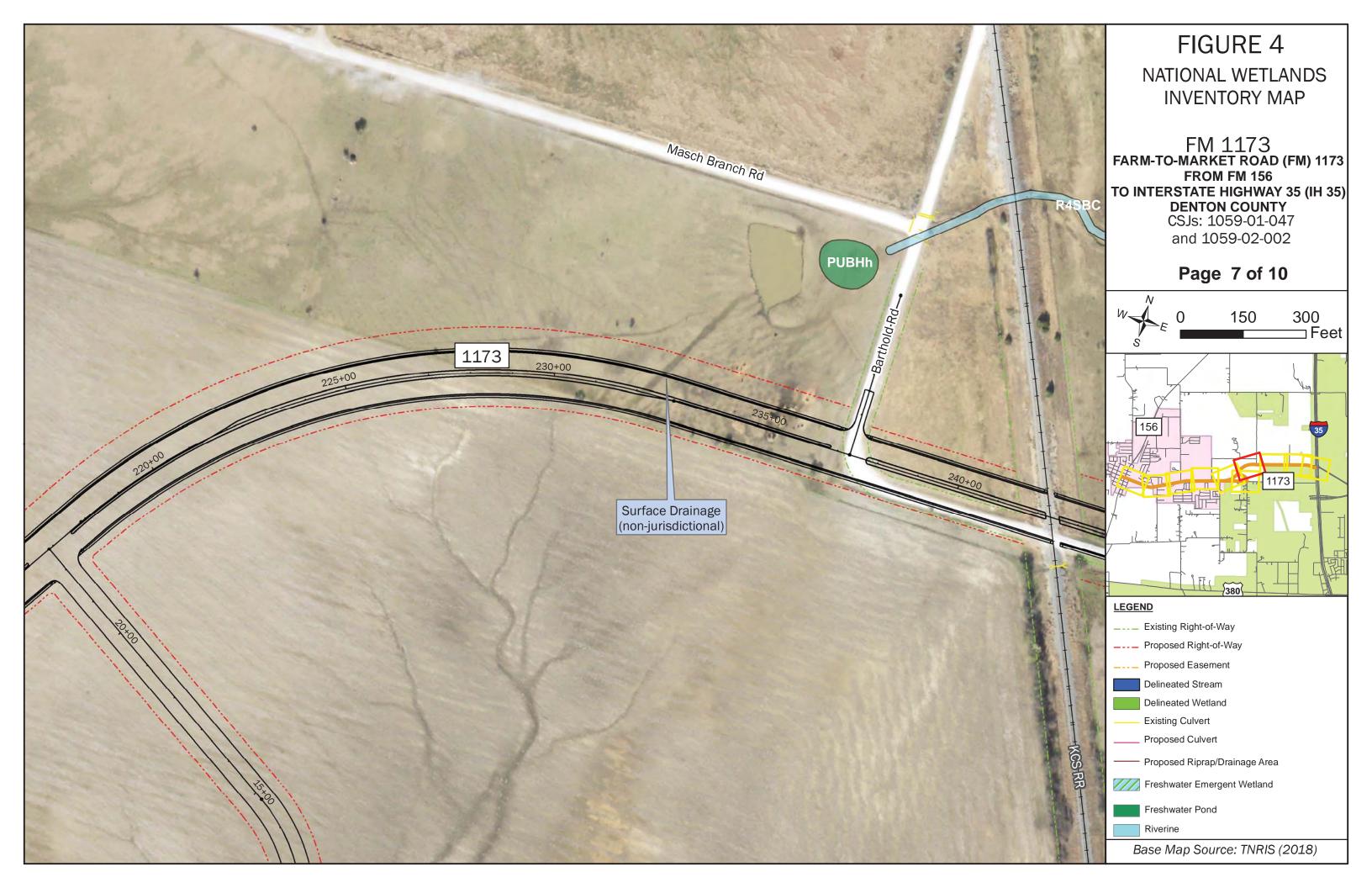


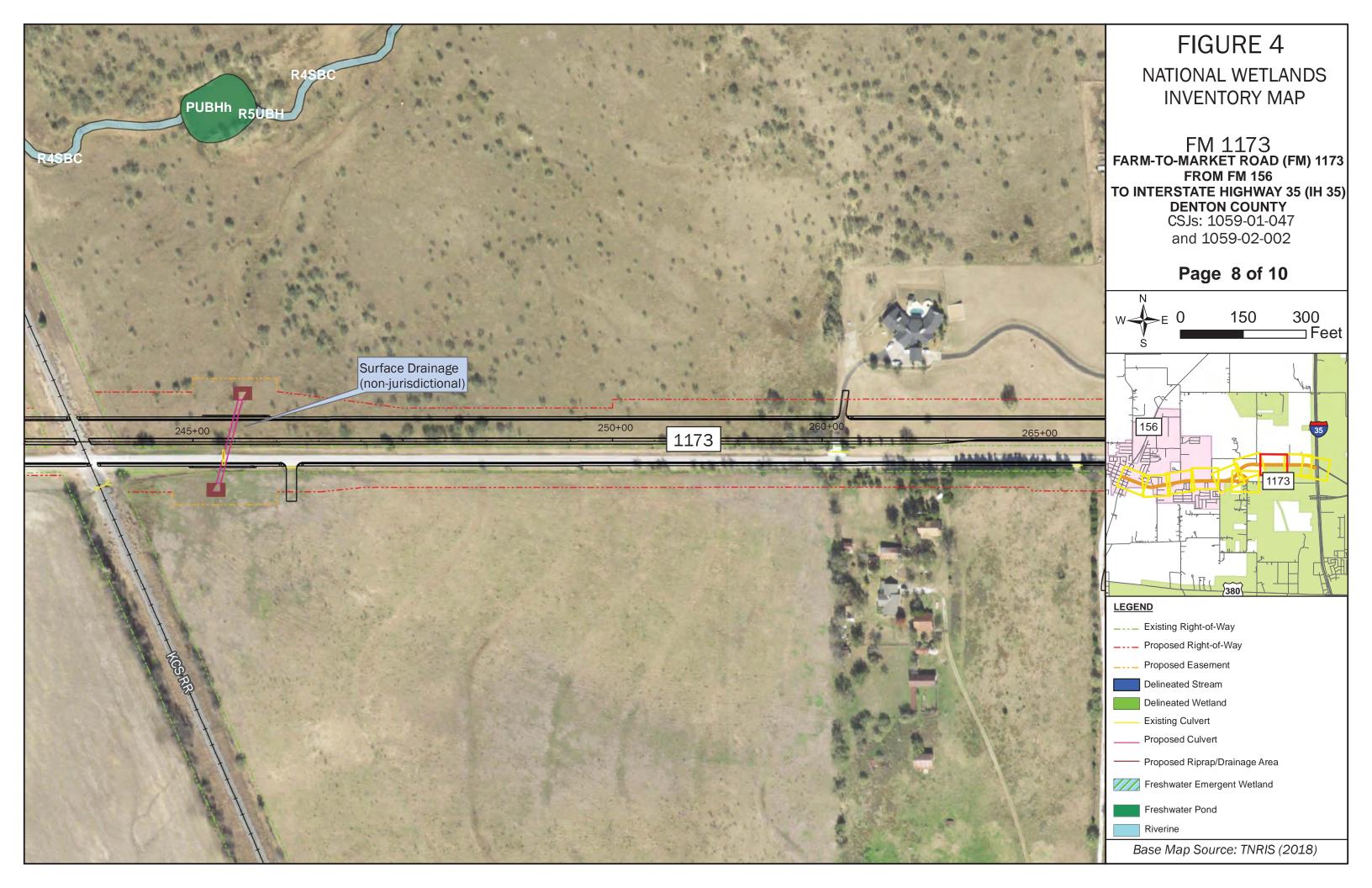






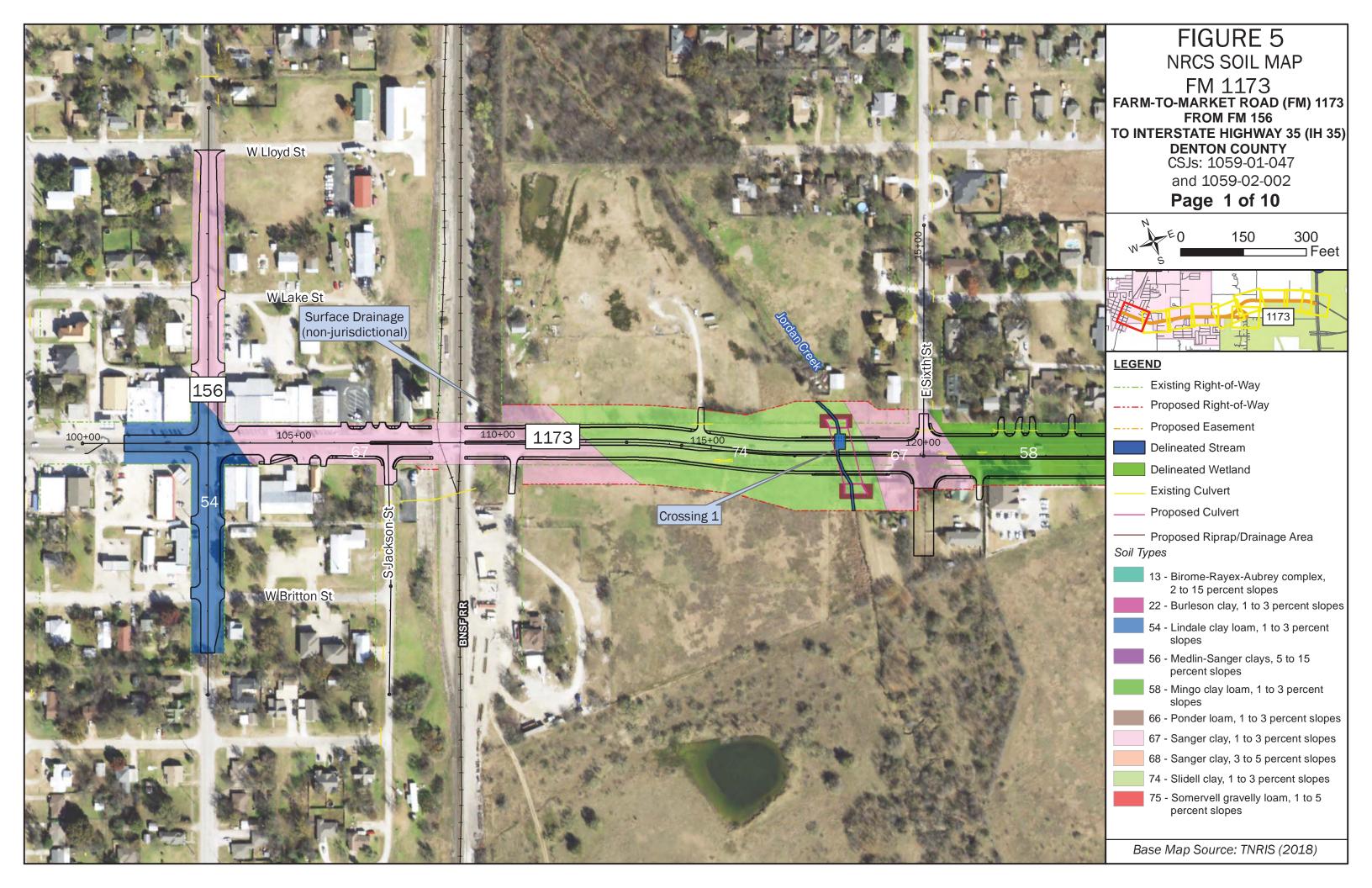




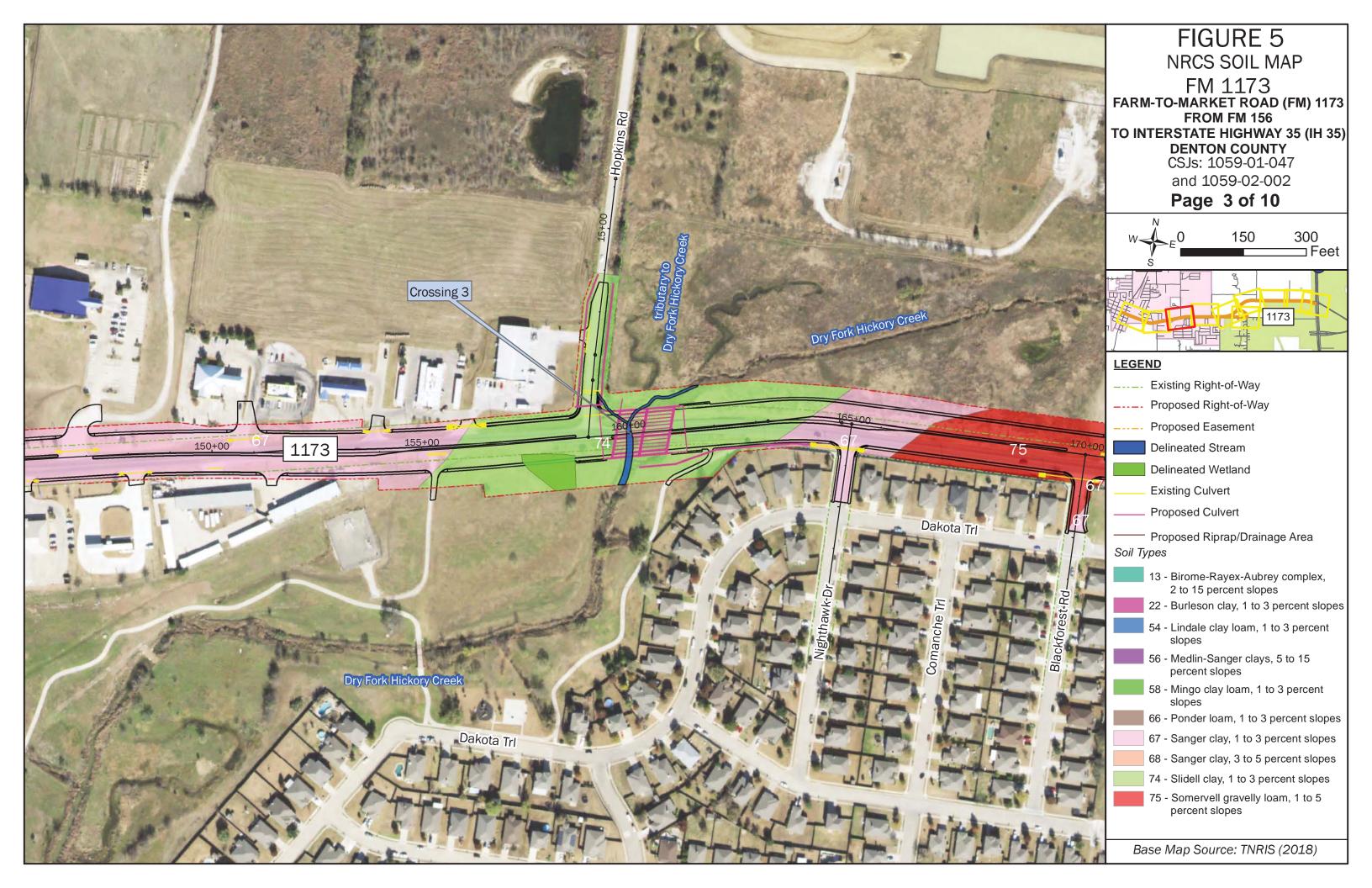


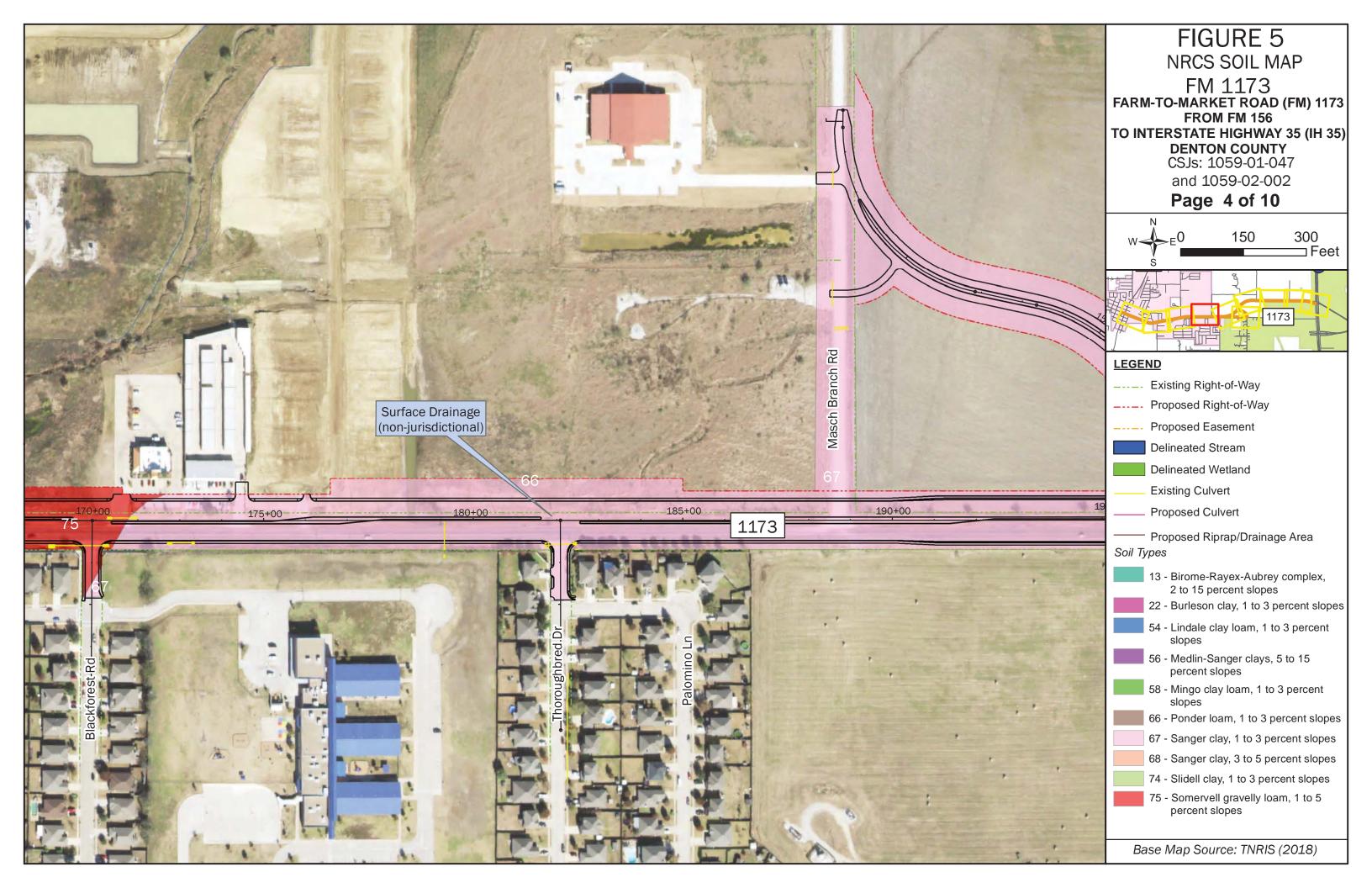


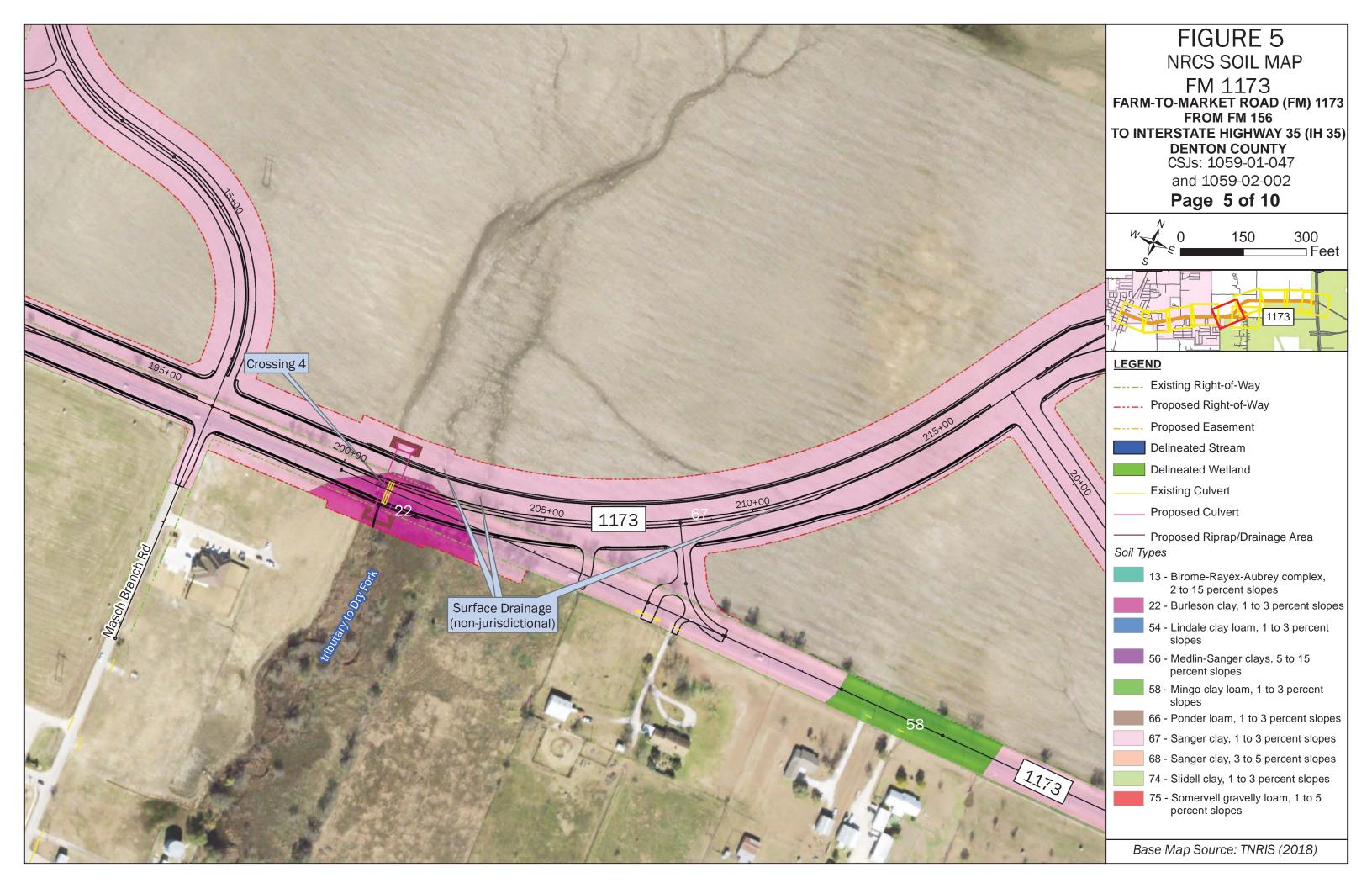


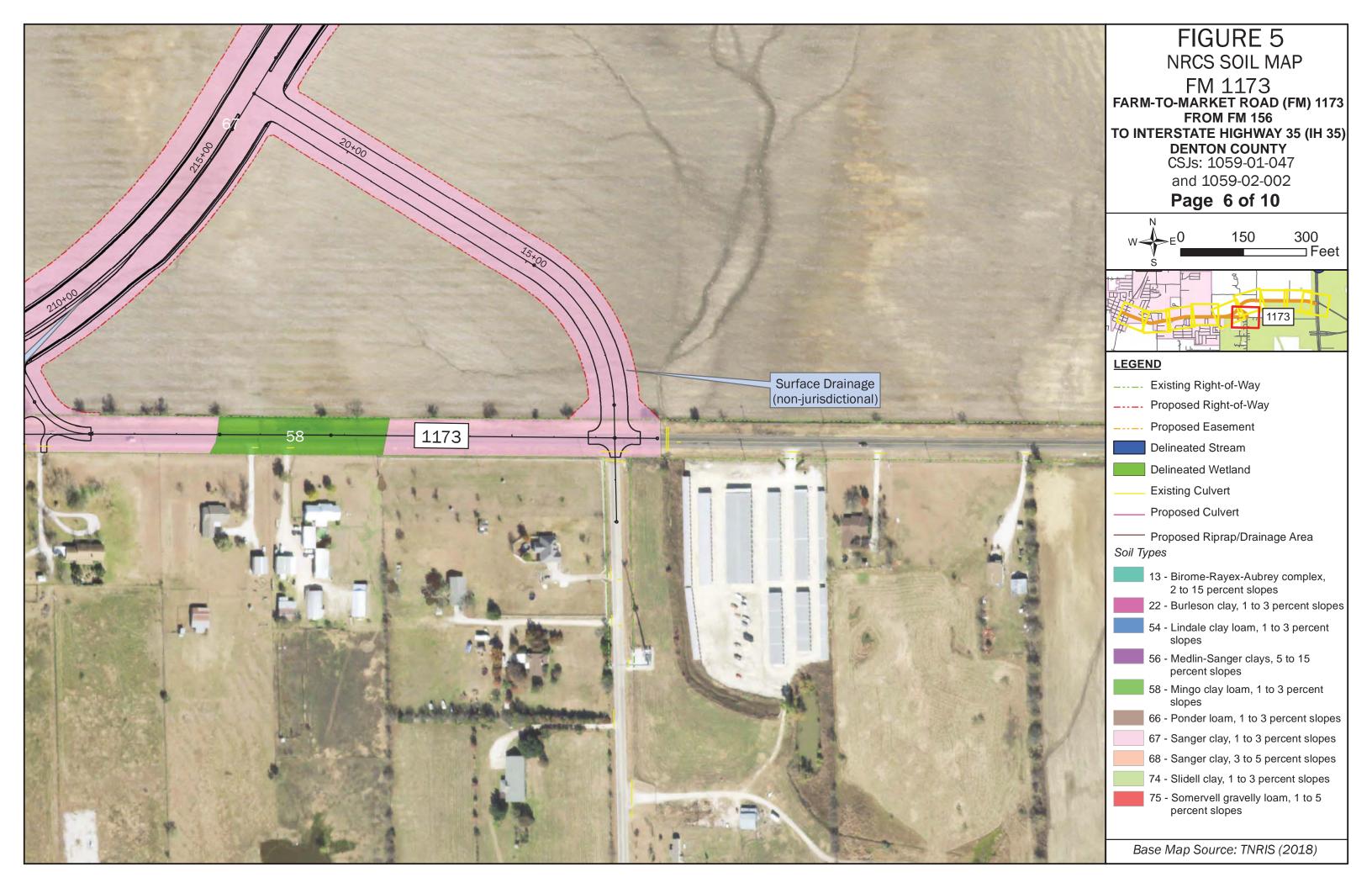


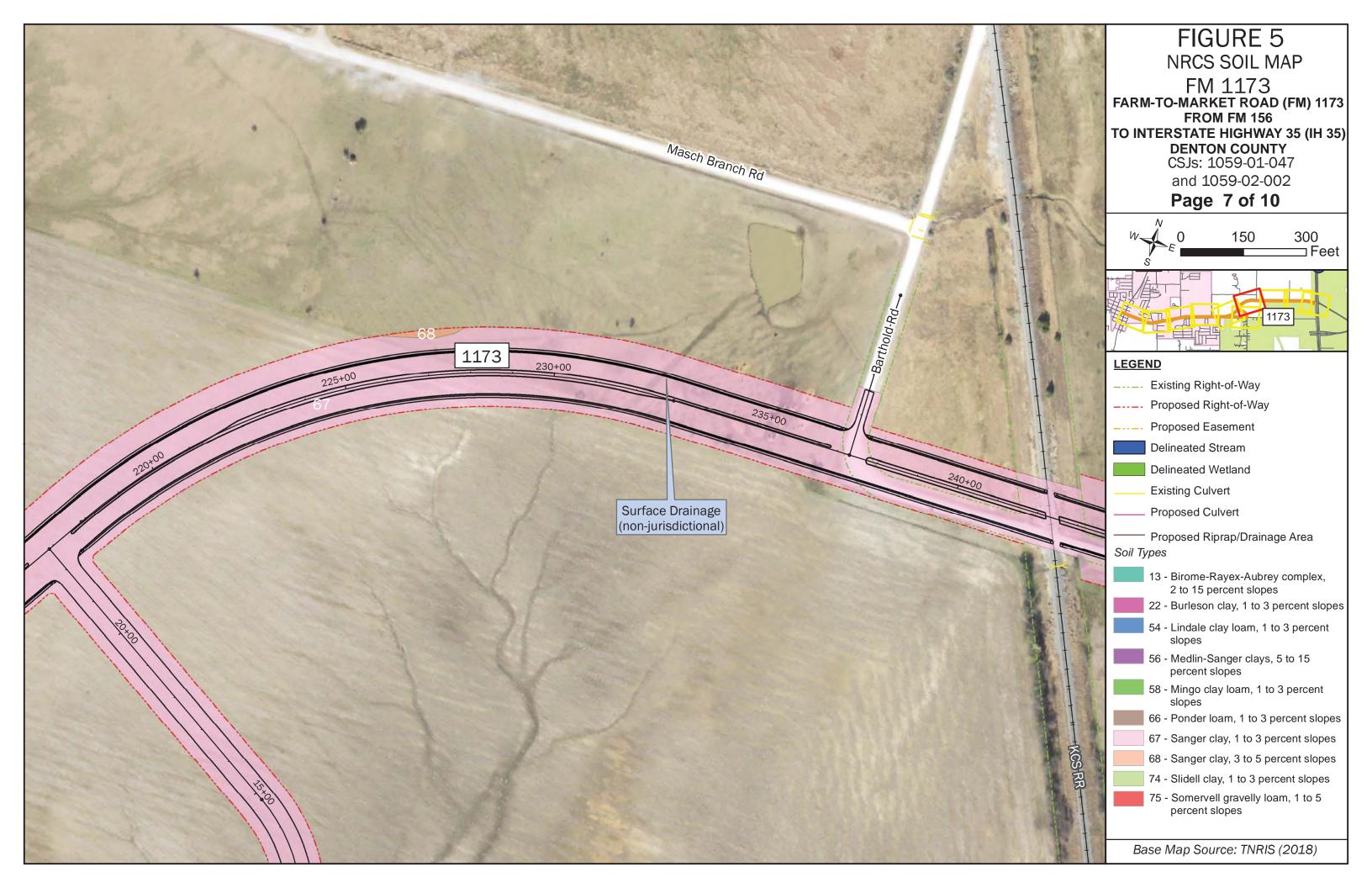


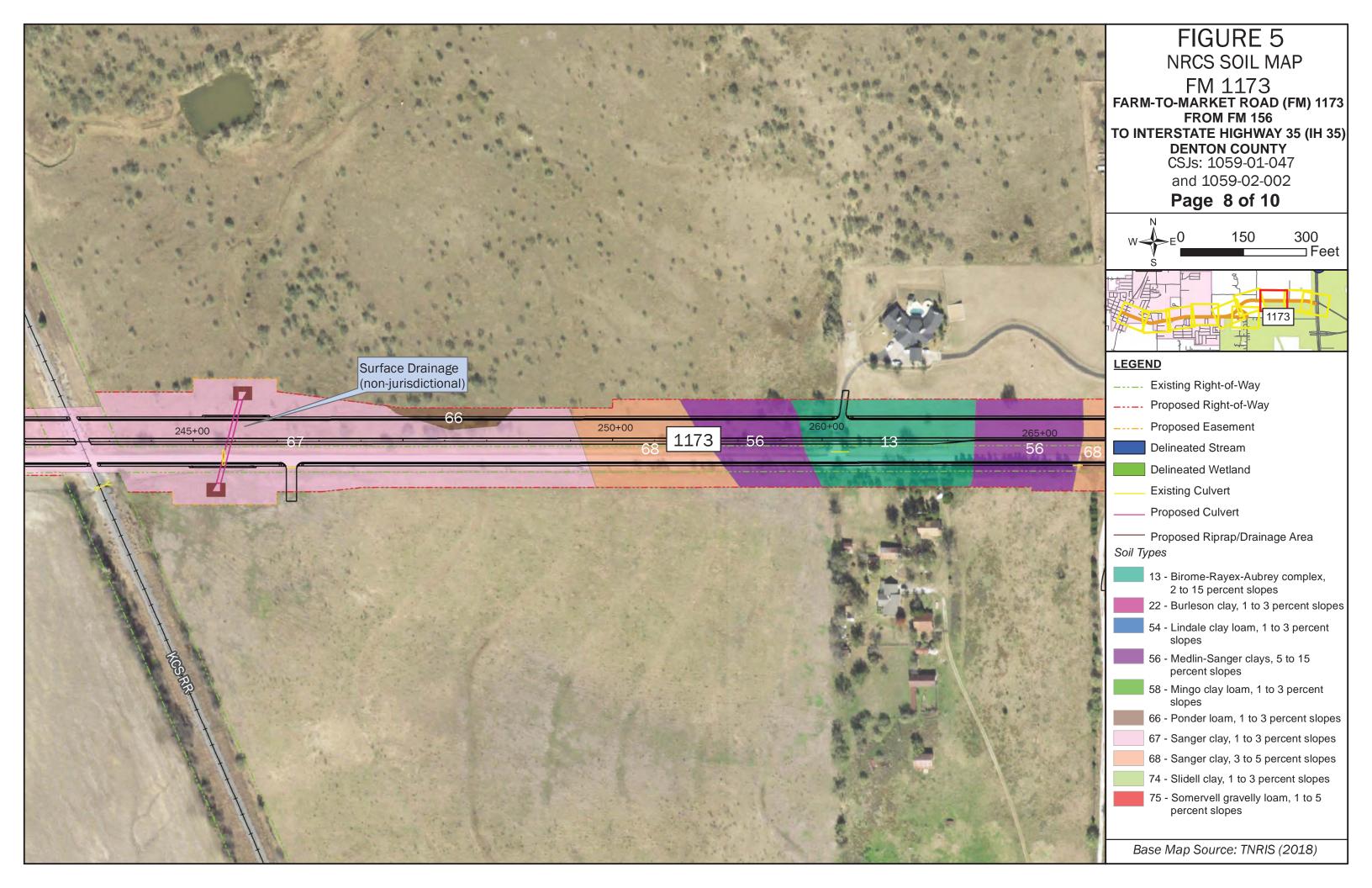






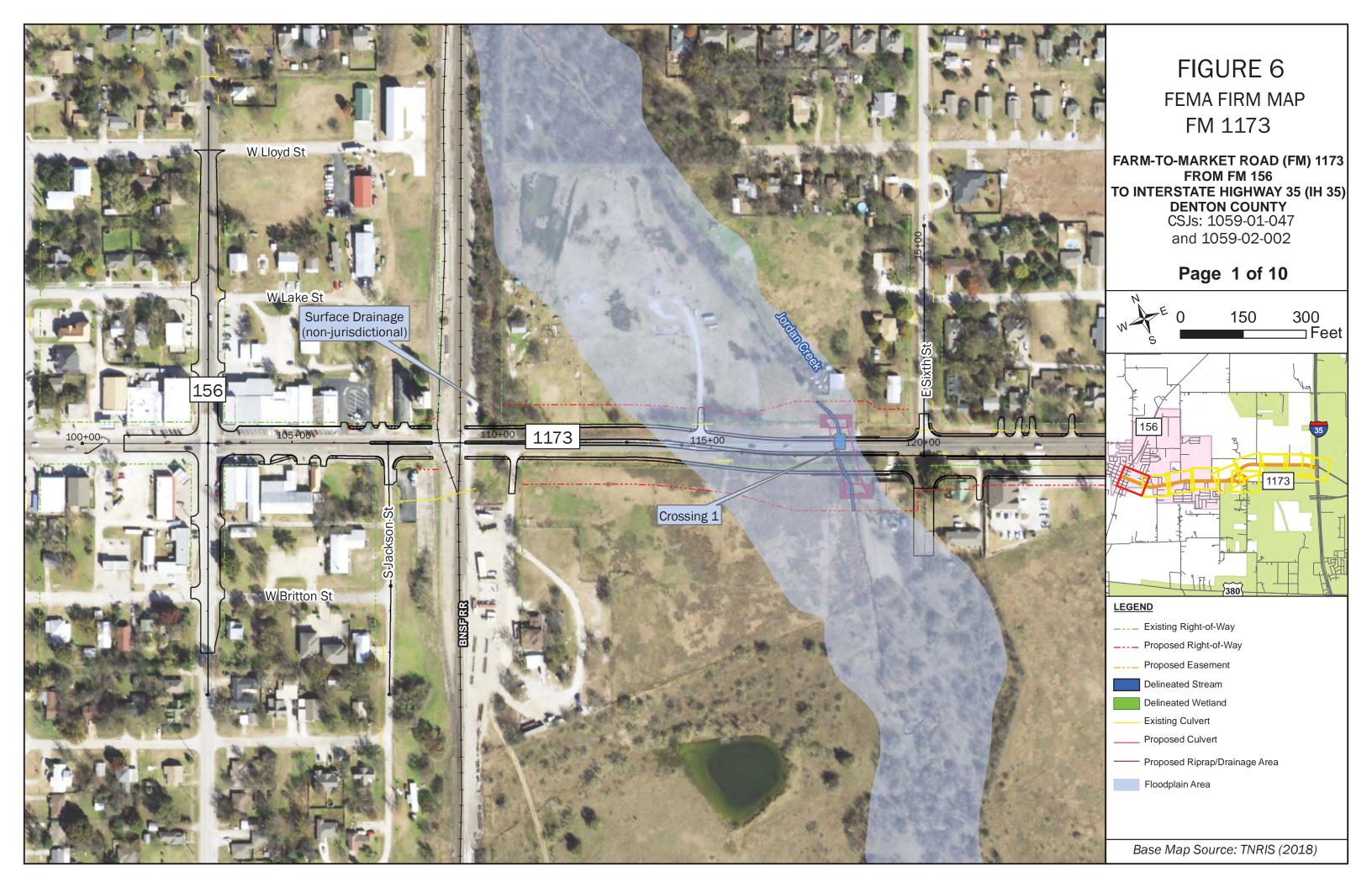




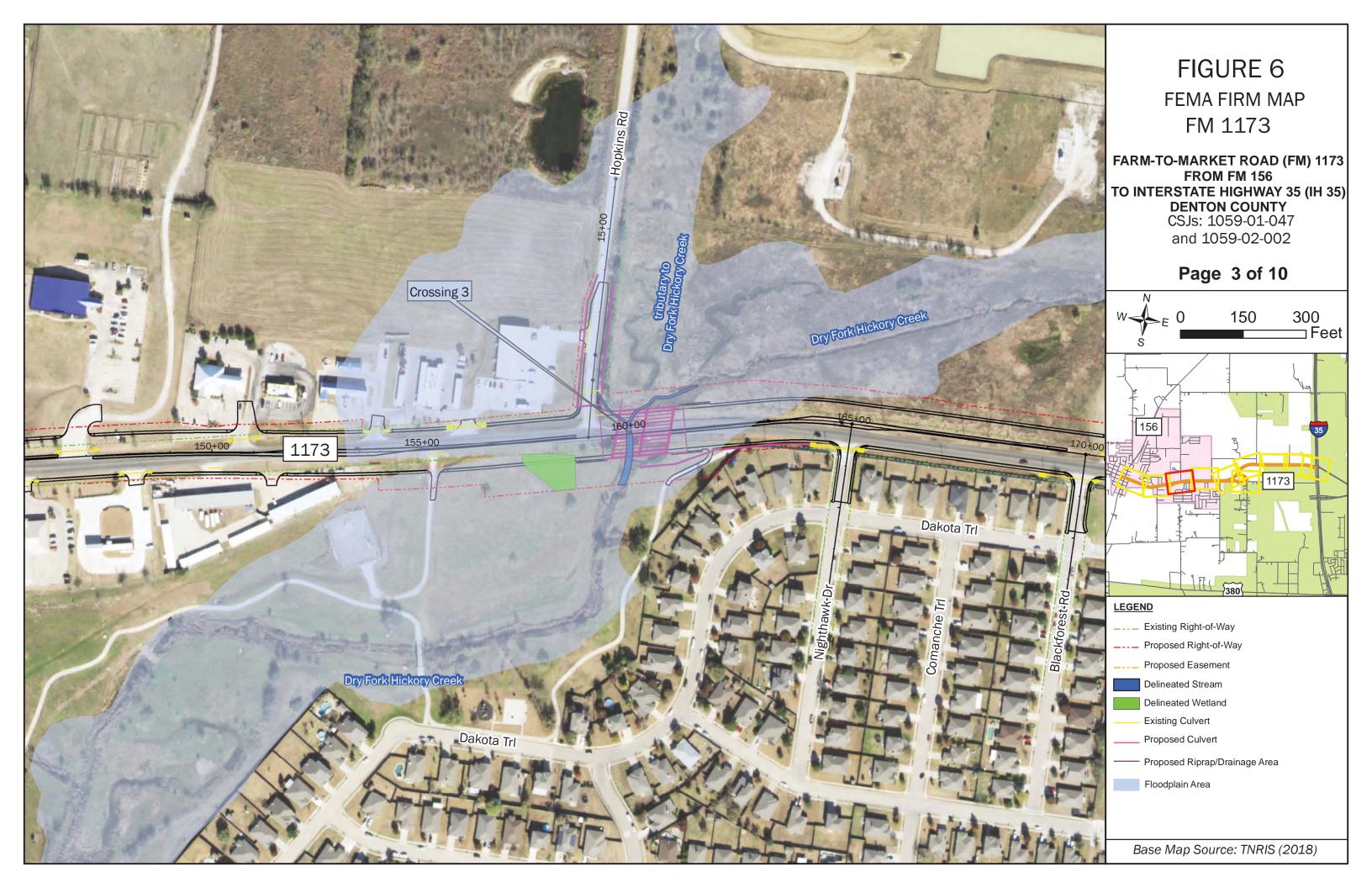




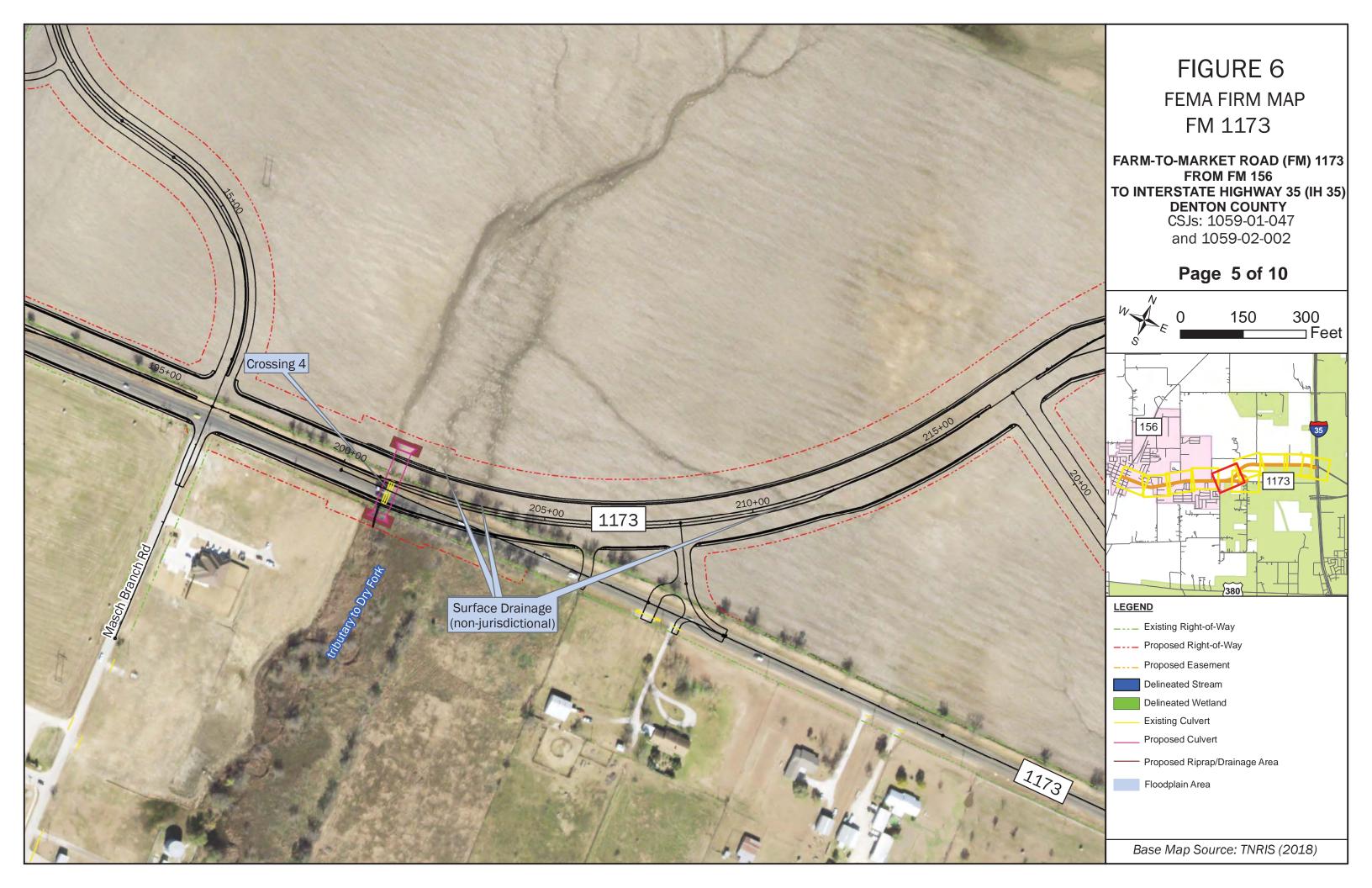




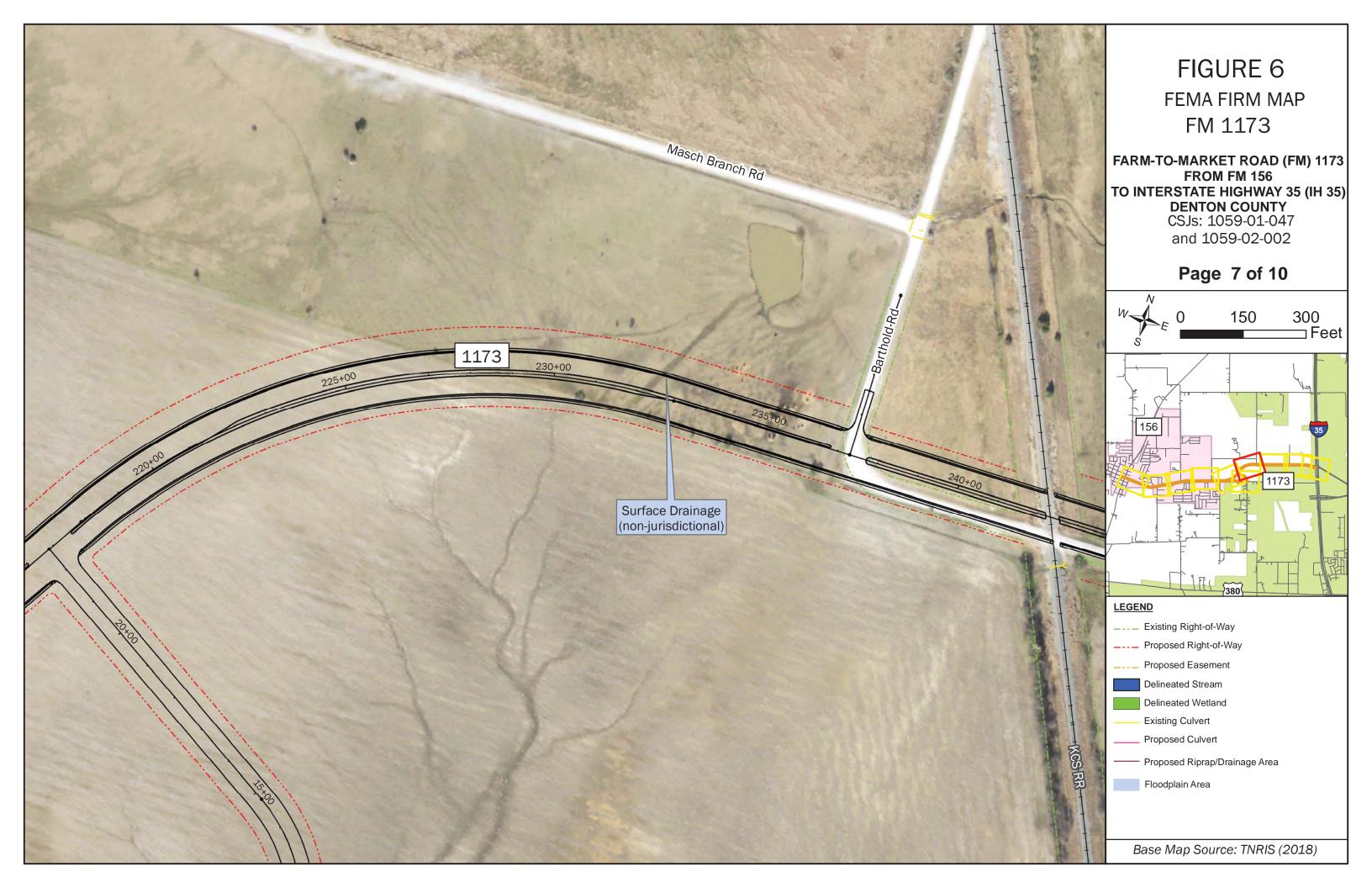


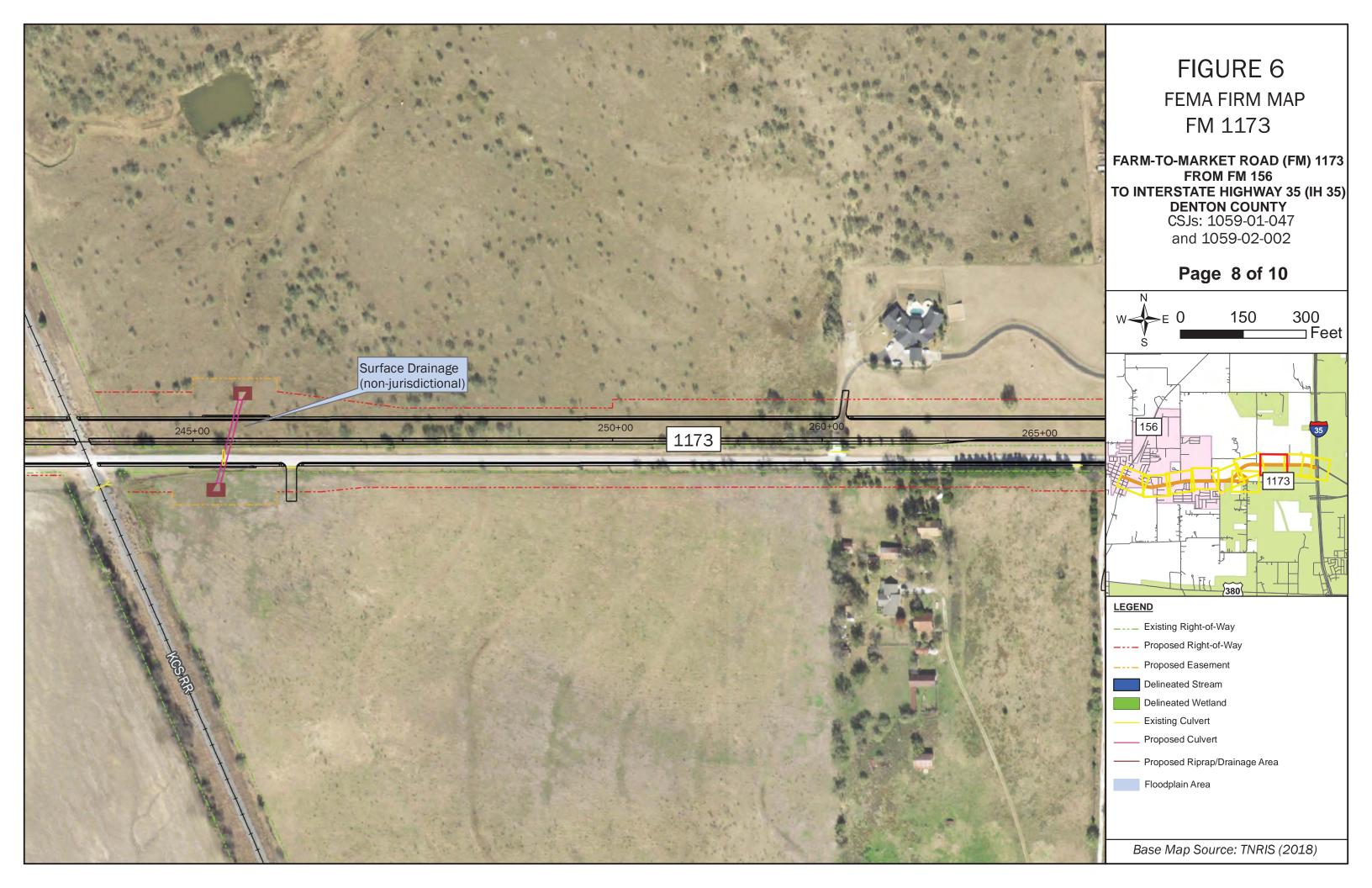






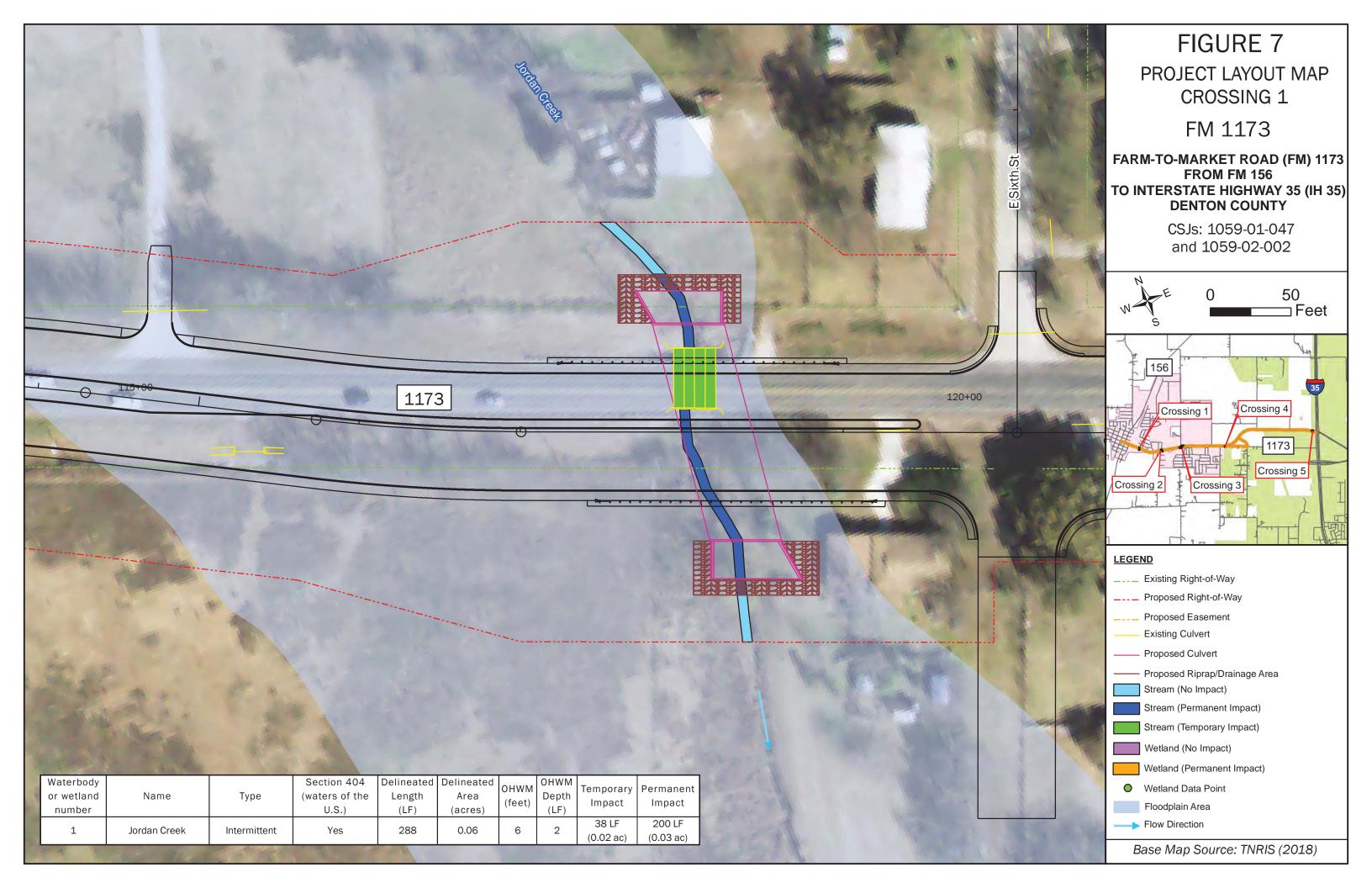


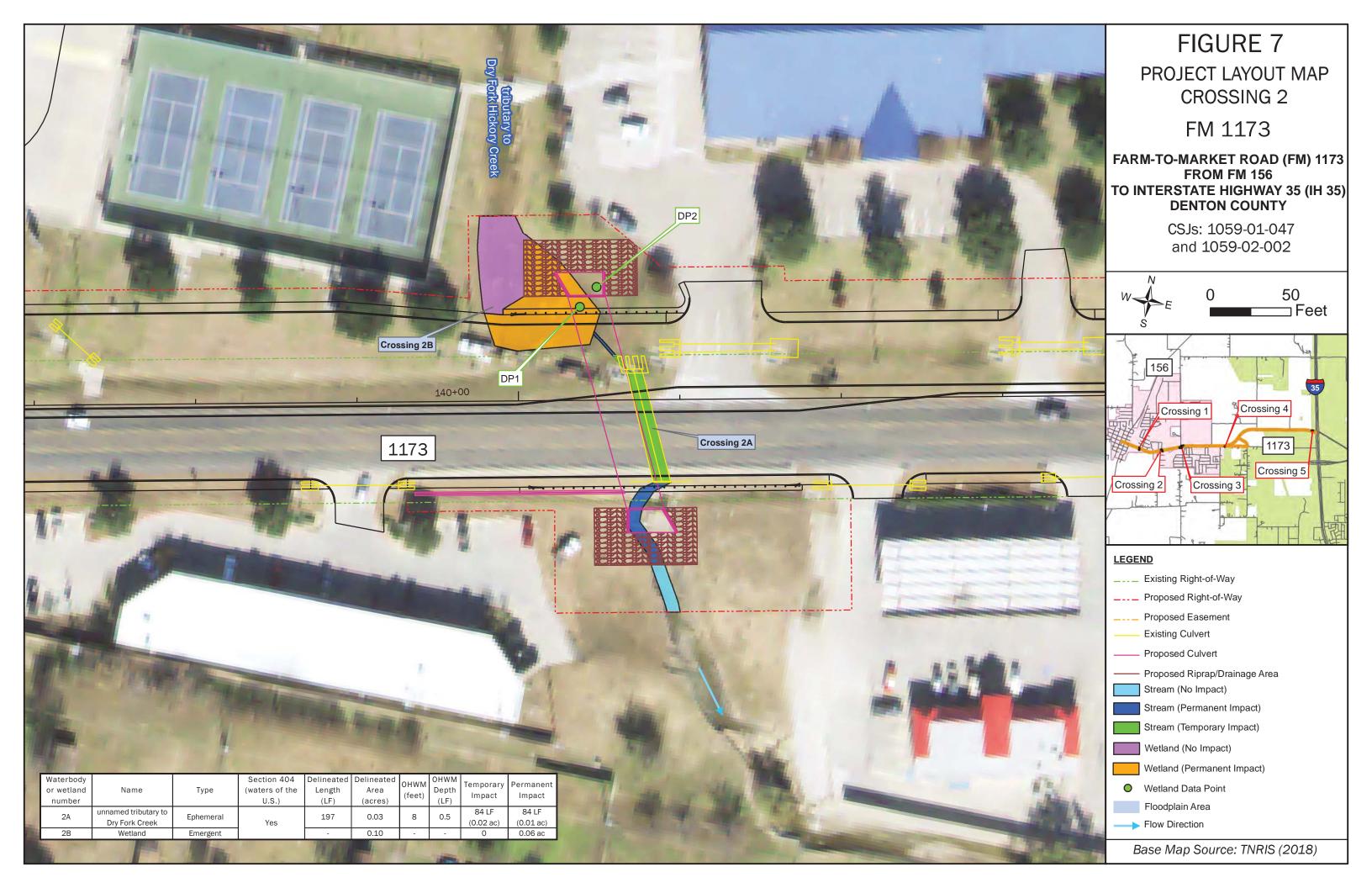


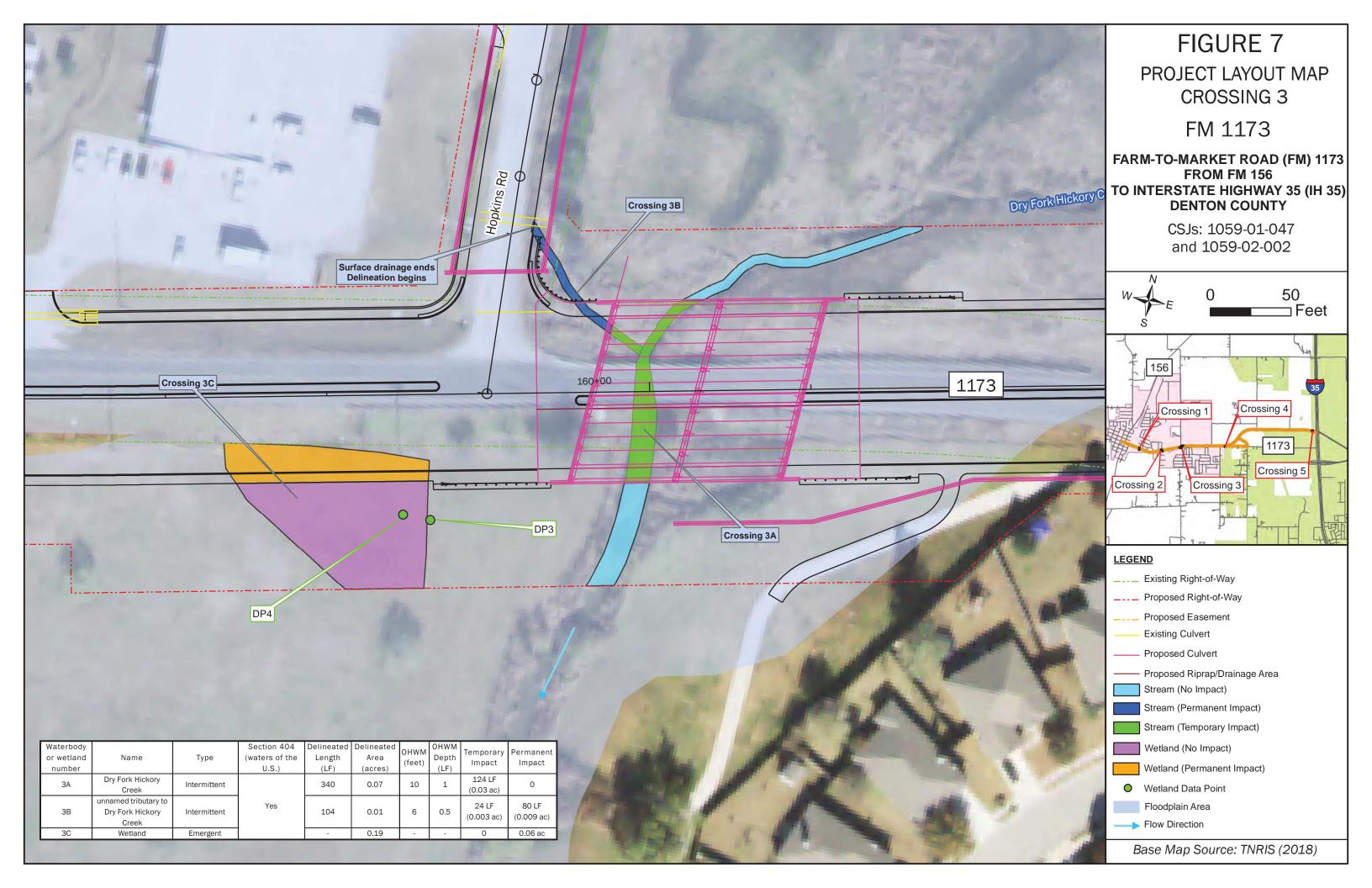


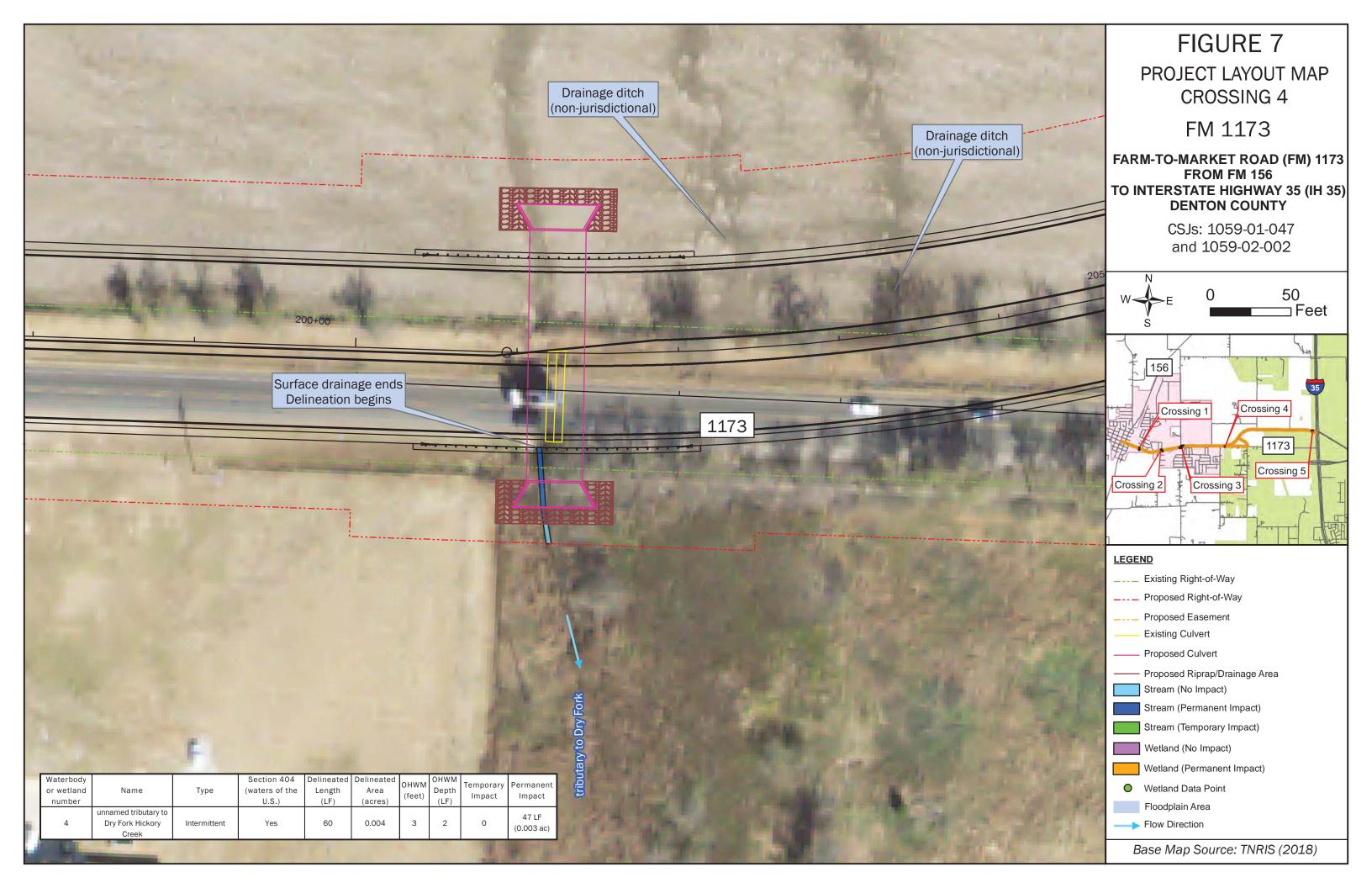


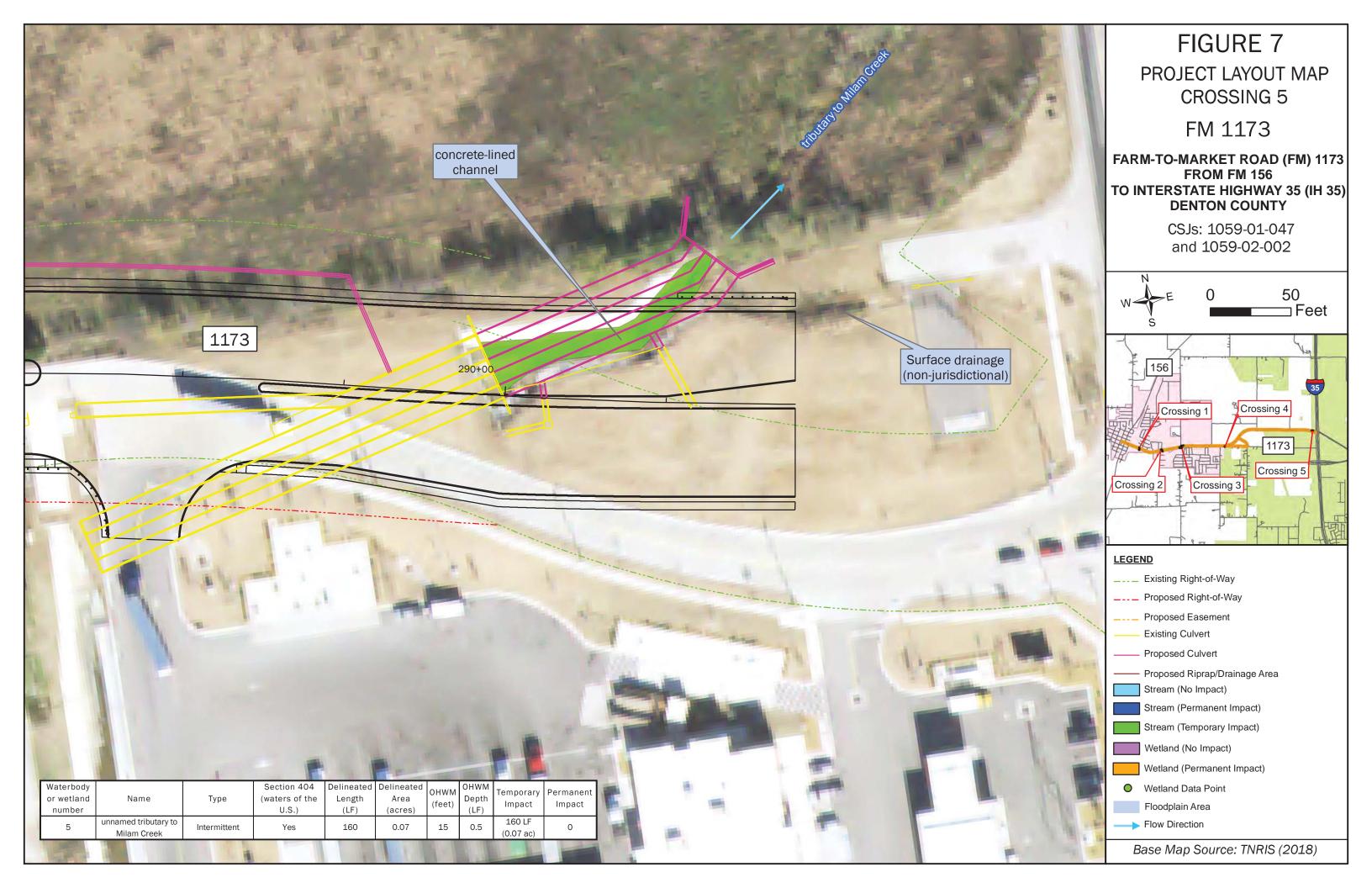












Attachment 2 - Wetland Determination Data Forms

Project/Site: FM 1173 from FM 156 t	to IH 35 (Crossi	ng 2A)	City	/County: Kru	um/Denton Samp	ling Date: 4-16-2	20
Applicant/Owner: TxDOT				State: T		ling Point: DP1	
Investigator(s): AC, JS, AG			Sec	tion, Township	, Range: Not Applica	able	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): P	la:a				ve, convex, none): Co		e (%): 0
			·	,	Long: -97.22667323	 Datu	
Soil Map Unit Name: Slidell clay, 1 t					ication: Palustrine em	ergent	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on				 X No			
Are Vegetation No , Soil No			· -		ormal Circumstances" pr	·	s X No
Are Vegetation No , Soil No					led, explain any answers		
			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	(, . , ,	,	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS - At	tach site ma	ap showing	sampling point	locations, tr	ransects, importan	t features, etc	
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X	No	Is the Sample	ed Area			
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X	No	Within a Wet	land?	Yes X	No	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X	No					
Remarks:			I				
VEGETATION – Use scientific	names of n	lants.					
	•	Absolute%	Dominant	Indicator	Dominance Test we	orksheet:	
_	30' rad)	Cover	Species?	Status			
1. None					Number of Dominan	•	
2.					That Are OBL, FAC	V, or FAC	0 (4)
3. 4.					(excluding FAC-):		3 (A)
4.			= % Total Cover		Total Number of Dor	minant	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size:	15' rad)		= 76 Total Cover		Species Across All S		3 (B)
1. None	<u>10 144</u>)				opedies / toross / tire	nidia.	(D)
2.					Percent of Dominant	t Species	
3.					That Are OBL, FAC	•	100 (A/B)
4.					·		
5.					Prevalence Index w	orksheet:	
			= % Total Cover		Total % Co	over of:	Multiply by:
Herb Stratum (Plot size: _	5' rad)				OBL species	x	1 =
1. Ranunculus repens		35	Yes	FACW	FACW species	x :	2 =
2. Eleocharis palustris		35	Yes	OBL	FAC species	x:	3 =
3. Rumex crispus		20	Yes	FAC	FACU species		4 =
4. Sorghum halepense		10	No	FACU	UPL species		5 =
5			<u> </u>		Column Totals:	(/	A) (B)
6.			·		Dravalana	o lodey D/A	
7. 8.					Prevalenc	ce Index = B/A =	-
9.					Hydrophytic Vegeta	ation Indicators:	
10.				•	1, .,	est for Hydrophytic V	
		100	= % Total Cover		X 2 - Dominar		ogotation.
					3 - Prevalenc	ce Index is ≤3.0¹	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _	30' rad)				4 - Morpholo	gical Adaptations ¹ (P	Provide supporting
1. None					data in Re	emarks or on separat	te sheet)
2					Problematic	Hydrophytic Vegetati	ion¹ (Explain)
			= % Total Cover		¹ Indicators of hydric		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum	0				be present, unless d		matic.
					Hydrophytic Vegeta Present?		V N-
					7 10301111	Yes _	X No
Remarks:							

l	n: (Describe to the o	lepth needed	to document the i			absence of inc	licators.)				
Depth (inches)	Matrix	0/	Color (moiet)	Redox Fe		1002	- Texture	Domorko			
(inches) 0-16	Color (moist)	<u>%</u> 50	Color (moist) 10YR 3/2	<u>%</u> 25	Type ¹	Loc ²	· -	Remarks			
0-10	7.5YR 3/1		2.5YR 4/3	25	C	M	Clay loam Clay loam				
			2.511(4/5			IVI	Clay loan				
							<u> </u>				
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<u> </u>						-	<u> </u>				
<u> </u>						-	<u> </u>				
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	ration, D=Depletion, F				Sand Grains.		ocation: PL=Pore Lir				
-	tors: (Applicable to	ali LKKS, unie			atrice (CA)		ors for Problematic	•			
Histols (dy Gleyed Ma	, ,		1 cm Muck (A9) (LR				
	pipedon (A2)			dy Redox (S5	•			(A16) (LRR F, G, H)			
	istic (A3)			ped Matrix (S	•		Dark Surface (S7) (L	·			
	en Sulfide (A4)			ny Mucky Mir	, ,		High Plains Depress	,			
	d Layers (A5) (LRR F			ny Gleyed Ma			(LRR H outside o	•			
	uck (A9) (LRR F, G, F	•		eted Matrix (Reduced Vertic (F18	•			
	d Below Dark Surface	e (A11)		ox Dark Surfa	,		Red Parent Material	` '			
	ark Surface (A12)			eted Dark Su			Very Dark Surface U	, ,			
	Mucky Mineral (S1)			ox Depressio	` ,		Other (Explain in Re	,			
	Mucky Peat or Peat (S	, , , , , ,		•	essions (F16	5)		phytic vegetation and			
5 cm Mu	ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR F)	(M	LRA 72 & 73	3 of LRR H)		wetland hydrology	•			
							unless disturbed o	r problematic			
Restrictive Layer	(if present):										
Type:	-										
Depth (inches	s):					Hyd	ric Soil Present?	Yes X No			
Remarks:											
HYDROLOGY Wetland Hydrolog	av Indicators:										
	(minimum of one requ	uired: check all	that apply)			Secondary Ir	ndictors (minimum of	two required)			
Ž	•	,		4)			,				
	e Water (A1)		Salt Crust (B1		2)		ace Soil Cracks (B6)				
	Vater Table (A2)		Aquatic Invert				rsely Vegetated Con				
	ation (A3)			_ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Dry-Season Water Table (C2)			Drainage Patterns (B10) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)				
	Marks (B1)	-		,	,		•	on Living Roots (C3)			
	ent Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rhiz			(where tilled)					
	eposits (B3)		, ,	Roots (C3) (where not tilled) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)			X Crayfish burrows (C8)				
	Mat or Crust (B4)	-			1 (C4)	Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)					
	eposits (B5) ation Visible on Aerial	-	Thin Muck Su Other (Explain	, ,	.)	Geomorphic Position (D2) X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)					
			Other (Explain	i ili Kemaiks	>)		:t-Heave Hummocks	(D7) (I DD E)			
-	gery (B7)					FIOS	a-neave numinocks	(D7) (LRR F)			
	-Stained Leaves (B9)										
Field Observation											
Surface Water Pre		No _	X Depth (in	ches):							
Water Table Prese	ent? Yes _	No	X Depth (in	ches):							
Saturation Present		X No	Depth (in	ches):	16	Wetland Hydro	ology Present?	Yes X No			
(includes capillary	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,										
Describe Recorded	d Data (stream gauge	, monitoring we	ell, aerial photos, p	revious inspe	ections), if av	ailable:					
Remarks:											

Project/Site: FM 1173 from FM 156 to IH 35 (Cr	rossing 2A)	City	y/County: Kr	um/Denton Samplir	ng Date: 4-16-20	
Applicant/Owner: TxDOT			State: 1	ΓX Samplir	ng Point: DP2	
		_	ction, Township	, Range: Not Applicab	le	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Plain		<u> </u>		ve, convex, none): None		s): 0
		Lat: 33.2596275	•	Long: -97.22664715		NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Slidell clay, 1 to 3 percent				fication: Uplad		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typ	•	of year? Yes		(If no, explain in Re	emarks.)	
Are Vegetation No , Soil No , or Hyd		-		ormal Circumstances" pres		X No
Are Vegetation No , Soil No , or Hyd				ded, explain any answers i	·	<u></u>
7.10 Vogotation <u>- 110 </u> , con <u>- 110 </u> , or 1190		atarany problematic.	(11.11000	iou, explain any anowers	m romano.,	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site	map showing	sampling point	locations, t	ransects, important	features, etc.	
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	No X					
Hydric Soil Present? Yes	No X	Within a Wet	tland?	Yes	No X	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	No X	(
Remarks:						
VEOLITATION III a seientific memora	-611-					
VEGETATION – Use scientific names (Absolute%	Dominant	Indicator	Dominance Test wor	ksheet:	
Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30' rad		Species?	Status	Dominianos root wo	None of the second	
1. None				Number of Dominant	Species	
2.				That Are OBL, FACW	, or FAC	
3.				(excluding FAC-):		0 (A)
4.	_					
	<u> </u>	_ = % Total Cover		Total Number of Domi		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' rad	_)			Species Across All Str	rata:	(B)
1. None						
2.	<u> </u>	-		Percent of Dominant S	•	0 (A/D)
3.4.		_		That Are OBL, FACW	, or FAC:	0 (A/B)
5.	_			Prevalence Index wo	rkshoot.	
J	<u> </u>	= % Total Cover		Total % Cov		Multiply by:
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5' rad)	/0 Ottal Oovol		OBL species	0 x 1 =	0
Sorghum halepense	90	Yes	FACU	FACW species	0 x 2 =	0
2. Solidago gigantea	5	No	FAC	FAC species	10 x 3 =	30
3. Stenotaphrum secundatum	5	No	FAC	FACU species	90 x 4 =	360
4.	_			UPL species	0 x 5 =	0
5.	_	_		Column Totals:	100 (A)	(B)
6.	_					
7	_			Prevalence	Index = B/A =	3.9
8	_					
9.	_			Hydrophytic Vegetat		
10	100	= % Total Cover	-	1 - Rapid Tesi 2 - Dominance	t for Hydrophytic Vegeta	ition
	100	_ = 76 Total Cover		3 - Prevalence		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' rad)				cal Adaptations ¹ (Provid	e supporting
1. None	_ /				narks or on separate she	
2.	_				/drophytic Vegetation ¹ (,
		= % Total Cover	-	¹Indicators of hydric so		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum0	_	_		be present, unless dis		=-
	_			Hydrophytic Vegetat	•	
				Present?	Yes	No X
Remarks:				1		

_	n: (Describe to the	depth needed	to document the i			absence of in	dicators.)			
Depth	Matrix	0/	Calar (maint)	Redox Fe		12	- Taydura	Demonto		
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u></u> %	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-16	7.5YR 3/2	100	None			-	Clay loam			
							-			
							-			
	ration, D=Depletion, F				Sand Grains.	² L	ocation: PL=Pore Lir	ning, M=Matrix.		
Hydric Soil Indica	tors: (Applicable to	all LRRs, unl	ess otherwise not	ed.)		Indicate	ors for Problematic	Hydric Soils ³ :		
Histols (A1)		Sand	dy Gleyed Ma	atrix (S4)		1 cm Muck (A9) (LR	R 1, J)		
Histic Ep	pipedon (A2)		Sand	dy Redox (S5	5)		Coast Prairie Redox	(A16) (LRR F, G, H)		
Black Hi	stic (A3)		Strip	ped Matrix (S	36)		Dark Surface (S7) (L	.RR G)		
Hydroge	en Sulfide (A4)		Loan	ny Mucky Mir	neral (F1)		High Plains Depress	ions (F16)		
Stratified	d Layers (A5) (LRR F)	Loar	ny Gleyed Ma	atrix (F2)		(LRR H outside of	f MLRA 72 & 73)		
1 cm Mu	ıck (A9) (LRR F, G, F	I)	Depl	eted Matrix (F3)		Reduced Vertic (F18	3)		
Depleted	d Below Dark Surface	e (A11)	Redo	ox Dark Surfa	ace (F6)		Red Parent Material	(TF2)		
Thick Da	ark Surface (A12)		Depl	eted Dark Su	urface (F7)		Very Dark Surface U	Init (TF12)		
Sandy M	lucky Mineral (S1)		Redo	ox Depressio	ns (F8)		Other (Explain in Re	marks)		
2.5 cm N	Mucky Peat or Peat (S	62) (LRR G, H	l) High	Plains Depre	essions (F16))	³ Indicators of hydrop	hytic vegetation and		
5 cm Mu	icky Peat or Peat (S3	(LRR F)	(M	LRA 72 & 73	of LRR H)		wetland hydrology	must be present,		
			<u> </u>				unless disturbed o	r problematic		
Restrictive Layer	(if procent):									
Type:	(ii preseiit).									
Depth (inches	·/·					Hvd	Iric Soil Present?	Yes NoX		
Remarks:						Tiyo	inc don't resent:	163 NO _X		
HYDROLOGY										
Wetland Hydrolog	•									
Primary Indicators	(minimum of one req	uired; check a	ll that apply)			Secondary II	ndictors (minimum of	two required)		
Surface	e Water (A1)		Salt Crust (B1	1)		Sur	face Soil Cracks (B6))		
High W	/ater Table (A2)		Aquatic Invert	tebrates (B13	3)	Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)				
Satura	tion (A3)		Hydrogen Sul	fide Odor (C	1)		rainage Patterns (B1	0)		
Water	Marks (B1)		Dry-Season V	Vater Table (C2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)				
Sedimo	ent Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rhiz	ospheres on	Living	(where tilled)				
Drift De	eposits (B3)		Roots (C3)	(where not t	illed)	Crayfish burrows (C8)				
Agal M	lat or Crust (B4)		Presence of F	Reduced Iron	(C4)	Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)				
Iron De	eposits (B5)		Thin Muck Su	rface (C7)		Geo	omorphic Position (Da	2)		
Inunda	tion Visible on Aerial		Other (Explain	n in Remarks	s)	FAC	C-Neutral Test (D5)			
Imag	ery (B7)						st-Heave Hummocks	(D7) (LRR F)		
Water-	Stained Leaves (B9)									
Field Observation	e.									
Surface Water Pres		No	X Depth (in	ches):						
Water Table Prese		No _	X Depth (in	ches):						
Saturation Present		No _		ches):		Wetland Hydr	ology Present?	Yes No X		
(includes capillary			Z Depti (iii			wettand mydi	ology i resent:	163 NO <u>X</u>		
	l Data (stream gauge	monitoring w	rell, aerial photos, p	revious inspe	ections) if ava	ailable.				
Describe recorded	i Data (Stream gaage	, monitoring w	en, dendi priotos, p	revious irispe	odionoj, ii ave	andolo.				
Remarks:										

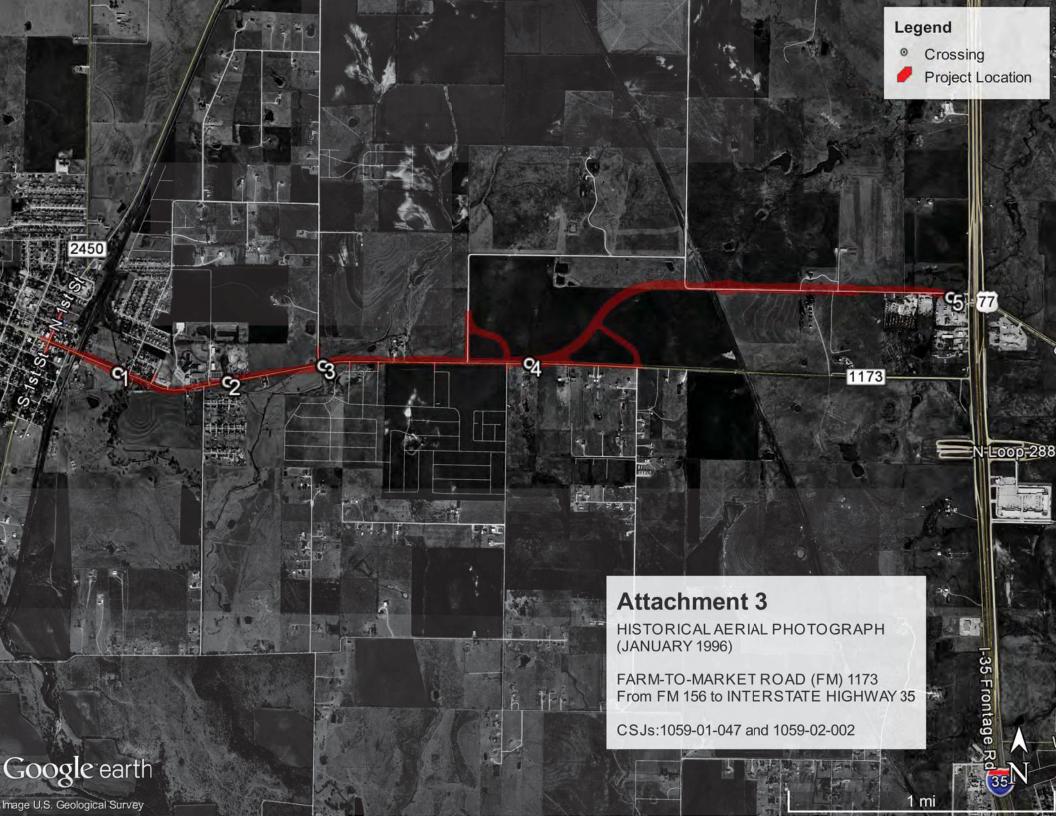
Project/Site: FM 1173 from FM 156 to IH 35 (Crossing	(3C)	City/	County: Kru	m/Denton Sampling	Date: 4-20-20	
Applicant/Owner: TxDOT			State: T	Sampling	Point: DP3	
		_	ion, Township,	Range: Not Applicable	•	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain				e, convex, none): None		o): 0
Subregion (LRR): J	La	,	•	ong: -97.22070215		NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Slidell clay, 1 to 3 percent slope		00.200000		cation: Upland		1171200
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical fo		r? Voc	_	(If no, explain in Ren	narke)	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	•			mal Circumstances" prese		V No
Are Vegetation No , Soil No , or Hydrology				•		X No
Are Vegetation No , Soil No , or Hydrology	NO Natural	ly problematic?	(II neede	ed, explain any answers in	Remarks.)	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map	showing sar	mplina point l	ocations, tra	ansects, important fe	eatures, etc.	
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	No X	Is the Sample		· '	•	
Hydric Soil Present? Yes	No X	Within a Wetla	and?	Yes No	X	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	No X					
Remarks:						
Nemarks.						
VEGETATION – Use scientific names of pla	nts. Absolute%	Dominant	Indicator	Dominance Test work	ahaat.	
<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30' rad)	Cover	Species?	Status	Dominance Test work	sneet.	
1. None				Number of Dominant Sp	pecies	
2.				That Are OBL, FACW, o	or FAC	
3				(excluding FAC-):		0 (A)
4						
<u> </u>	= %	6 Total Cover		Total Number of Domina	ant	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' rad)				Species Across All Stra	ta:	3 (B)
1. None						
2				Percent of Dominant Sp	pecies	
3.				That Are OBL, FACW, o	or FAC:	0 (A/B)
4.						
5				Prevalence Index worl		
_	= %	6 Total Cover		Total % Cover		Multiply by:
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5' rad)				OBL species	0 x 1 =	0
1. Lolium perenne	30	Yes	FACU	FACW species	0 x 2 =	0
2. Bromus arvensis	30	Yes	FACU	FAC species	10 x 3 =	10
3. Cynodon dactylon	20	Yes	<u>FACU</u>	FACU species	80 x 4 =	320
4. Geranium carolinianum	10	No No	UPL	UPL species Column Totals:	10 x 5 =	50(B)
5. <u>Stenotaphrum secundatum</u> 6.	10	No	FAC	Column Totals:	100 (A)	370 (B)
7.		_	-	Prevalence Ir	ndex = B/A =	3.7
0				i revalence ii		<u> </u>
9.				Hydrophytic Vegetation	n Indicators:	
10.				1 ' ' '	or Hydrophytic Vegeta	ation
	100 =	% Total Cover	-	2 - Dominance		auon
_				3 - Prevalence Ir	idex is ≤3.0¹	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' rad)				4 - Morphologica	l Adaptations ¹ (Provid	e supporting
1. <u>None</u>				data in Rema	rks or on separate she	eet)
2.				Problematic Hyd	rophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
	= 9	% Total Cover		¹ Indicators of hydric soil	and wetland hydro	ology must
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				Hydrophytic Vegetation	on	
				Present?	Yes	No X
Remarks:				1		

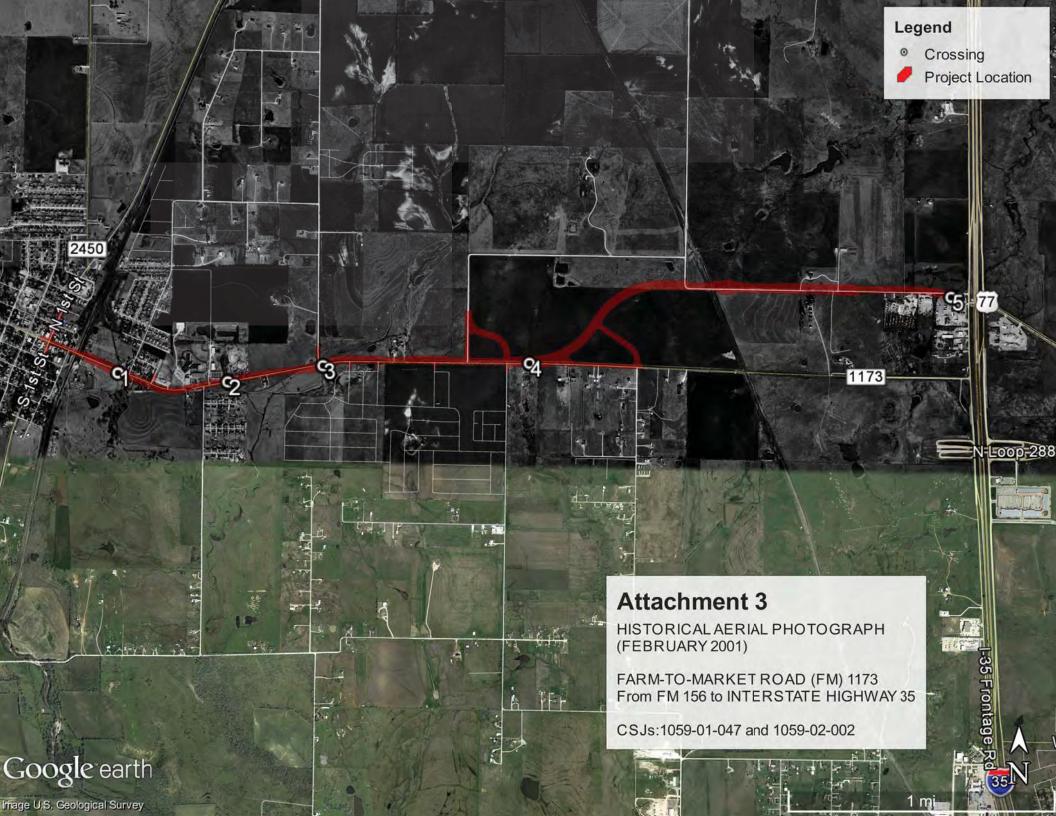
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(inches)	Color (moist)	<u> %</u>	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remark	S		
0-16	7.5YR 2.5/1	None					Clay loam				
											
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l. ———							<u> </u>				
1	ration, D=Depletion,				Sand Grains.		ocation: PL=Pore Li	-			
· ·	tors: (Applicable to	all LRRs, unl					ors for Problematic	-			
Histols (, ,			dy Gleyed Ma			1 cm Muck (A9) (LR				
	pipedon (A2)			dy Redox (S	•		Coast Prairie Redox	, , ,	, H)		
	istic (A3)		Strip	ped Matrix (S	S6)		Dark Surface (S7) (I	LRR G)			
	en Sulfide (A4)			ny Mucky Mi	` ,		High Plains Depress	,			
	d Layers (A5) (LRR I	•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ny Gleyed M			(LRR H outside o	•			
1 cm Mu	uck (A9) (LRR F, G ,	H)	Depl	leted Matrix ((F3)		Reduced Vertic (F18	3)			
Deplete	d Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Red	ox Dark Surfa	ace (F6)		Red Parent Material	(TF2)			
Thick Da	ark Surface (A12)		Depl	leted Dark Su	urface (F7)		Very Dark Surface U	Jnit (TF12)			
Sandy N	Mucky Mineral (S1)		Red	ox Depressio	ons (F8)		Other (Explain in Re	emarks)			
2.5 cm l	Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G, H	l) High	Plains Depr	essions (F16))	³ Indicators of hydrop	ohytic vegetation	and		
5 cm Mu	ucky Peat or Peat (S	3) (LRR F)	(M	LRA 72 & 73	3 of LRR H)		wetland hydrology	must be present			
							unless disturbed o	r problematic			
Restrictive Layer	(if present):										
Type:											
Depth (inches	s):					Hyd	ric Soil Present?	Yes	No X		
Remarks:								<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
HYDROLOGY Wetland Hydrolog	ny Indiantore										
	(minimum of one red	nuired: check a	ll that apply)			Secondary Ir	ndictors (minimum o	f two required)			
_		quirea, crieck a					,				
	e Water (A1)	_	Salt Crust (B1		- \		ace Soil Cracks (B6	•			
	Vater Table (A2)	_	Aquatic Invert			Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)					
	ation (A3)			Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)			Drainage Patterns (B10)				
	Marks (B1)		Dry-Season V	,	` '	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)					
	ent Deposits (B2)			Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living			(where tilled)				
	eposits (B3)		` ,	(where not t	,	Crayfish burrows (C8) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)					
	Mat or Crust (B4)	_	Presence of F		1 (C4)						
	eposits (B5)	_		Thin Muck Surface (C7) Other (Explain in Remarks)			morphic Position (D	۷)			
	ation Visible on Aeria	' <u> </u>	Other (Explain	n in Kemarks	5)		-Neutral Test (D5)	(D7) (I DD E)			
1	gery (B7)					FIOS	st-Heave Hummocks	(D7) (LKK F)			
	-Stained Leaves (B9)	1									
Field Observation											
Surface Water Pre		No _	X Depth (in	ches):							
Water Table Prese		No _		ches):							
Saturation Present		No _	X Depth (in	ches):		Wetland Hydro	ology Present?	Yes	No X		
(includes capillary											
Describe Recorded	d Data (stream gaug	e, monitoring w	ell, aerial photos, p	revious inspe	ections), if ava	ailable:					
Remarks:											

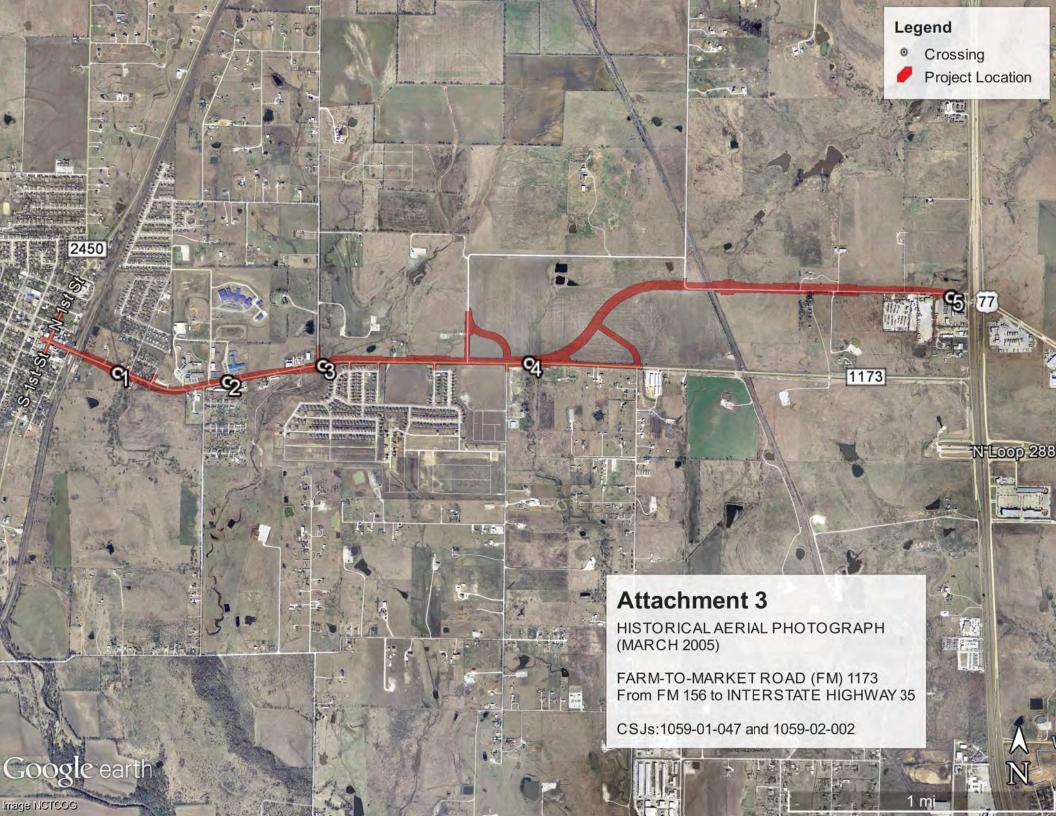
Project/Site: FM 1173 from FM 156	to IH 35 (Crossin	ng 3C)	City	/County: Kru	um/Denton Sampling Date:	4-20-20
Applicant/Owner: TxDOT				State: T	Sampling Point:	DP4
Investigator(s): AC, JS, AG			Sec	tion, Township	, Range: Not Applicable	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): _F	Floodplain		Loca	al relief (concav	ve, convex, none): None	Slope (%): _0
Subregion (LRR): J			Lat: 33.2600531	7	Long: <u>-97.22075824</u>	Datum: NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Slidell clay, 1	to 3 percent slop	es		NWI Classif	ication: Palustrine emergent	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions of Are Vegetation No , Soil No Are Vegetation No , Soil No SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – A	o, or Hydrolog o, or Hydrolog	y <u>No</u> Sigr y <u>No</u> Natu	urally problematic?	Are "No	(If no, explain in Remarks.) ormal Circumstances" present? led, explain any answers in Remar ransects, important feature	,
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X	No	Is the Sample	ed Area		
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X	No	Within a Wetl	and?	Yes X No	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X	No	_			
Remarks:						
VEGETATION - Use scientifi	c names of pl					
<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size:	30' rad)	Absolute% Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:	
1. None					Number of Dominant Species	
2.					That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC	
3					(excluding FAC-):	1 (A)
4. Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size:	15' rad)		= % Total Cover		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	1 (B)
1. None						
2.					Percent of Dominant Species	
3.					That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	100(A/B)
4.					Duranta and the description of	
5.	<u> </u>		= % Total Cover		Prevalence Index worksheet	
Herb Stratum (Plot size:	5' rad)		= % Total Cover		Total % Cover of: OBL species	Multiply by:x 1 =
Eleocharis palustris	3 Tau)	90	Yes	OBL	FACW species	x 2 =
Carex texensis		10	No	UPL	FAC species	x 3 =
3.					FACU species	x 4 =
4.					UPL species	x 5 =
5.					Column Totals:	(A) (B)
6.						
7					Prevalence Index =	B/A =
8						
9					Hydrophytic Vegetation India	cators:
10		100	= % Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydro	-
	_	100	= % Total Cover		X 2 - Dominance Test is > 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size:	30' rad)					tions ¹ (Provide supporting
1. None	<u> </u>				data in Remarks or or	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
2.					Problematic Hydrophytic	,
			= % Total Cover		¹ Indicators of hydric soil and w	
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum	0				be present, unless disturbed or	
					Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X No
Remarks:						

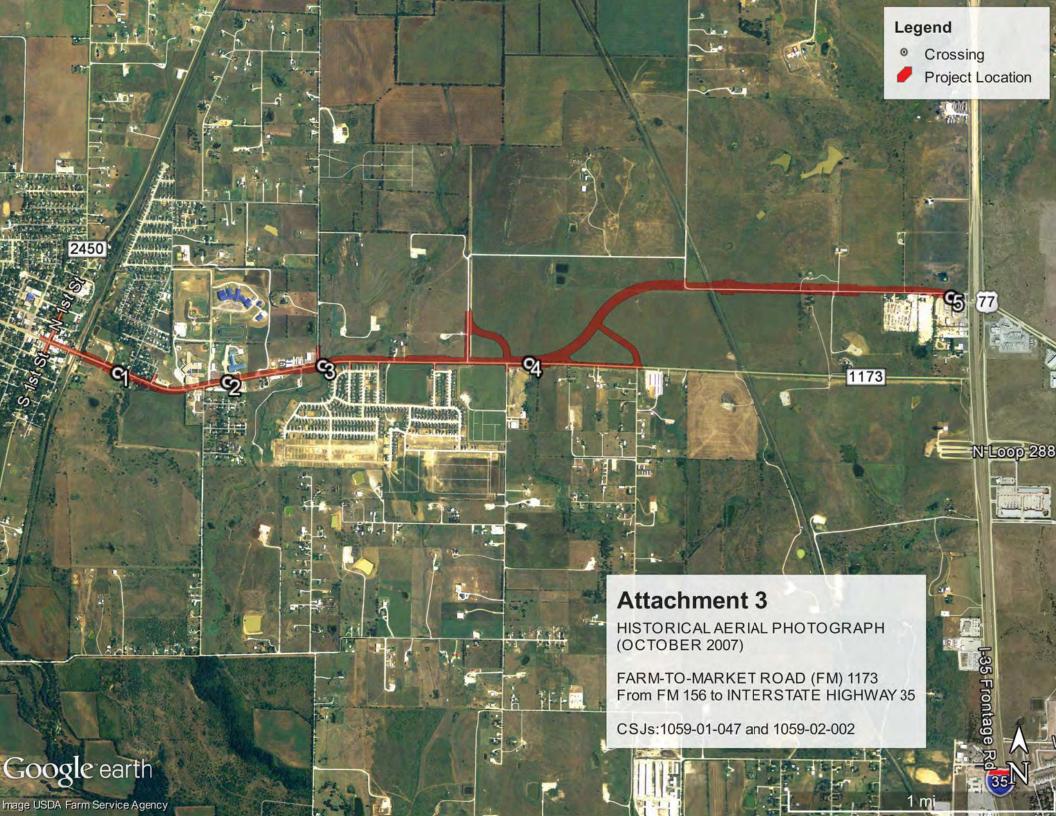
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(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks			
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	ration, D=Depletion,				Sand Grains.		ocation: PL=Pore Lir				
· ·	tors: (Applicable to	all LRRs, unl					ors for Problematic	•			
Histols (A1)		Sar	ndy Gleyed M	Matrix (S4)		1 cm Muck (A9) (LR	R 1, J)			
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Hydroge	en Sulfide (A4)		Loa	my Mucky M	/lineral (F1)		High Plains Depress	sions (F16)			
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	ark Surface (A12)	· (· · · ·)		oleted Dark S	` ,		Very Dark Surface U	` '			
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5 cm Mu	ucky Peat or Peat (S	3) (LRR F)	(N	VILRA /2 & /	73 of LRR H)		wetland hydrology	·			
							unless disturbed of	r problematic			
Restrictive Layer	(if present):										
Type:											
Depth (inches	s):					Hvd	ric Soil Present?	Yes X No			
Remarks:						, .					
HYDROLOGY											
Wetland Hydrolog	y Indicators:										
Primary Indicators	(minimum of one red	uired; check a	ll that apply)			Secondary Ir	ndictors (minimum of	two required)			
Surface	e Water (A1)		Salt Crust (B	211)		Surf	ace Soil Cracks (B6)	1			
		_		•	10)		` ,				
	Vater Table (A2)		Aquatic Inve	,	•		rsely Vegetated Con				
	tion (A3)			_ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)			Drainage Patterns (B10)				
	Marks (B1)	_	Dry-Season		, ,	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)					
Sedime	ent Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rh	izospheres o	on Living	(where tilled)					
Drift De	eposits (B3)		Roots (C3)	Roots (C3) (where not tilled)			X Crayfish burrows (C8)				
Agal M	lat or Crust (B4)		Presence of	Reduced Iro	n (C4)	Satu	ıration Visible on Aeı	rial Imagery (C9)			
Iron De	eposits (B5)		Thin Muck S	urface (C7)		Geo	morphic Position (D2	2)			
Inunda	ition Visible on Aeria		Other (Expla	in in Remark	ks)	FAC	-Neutral Test (D5)				
Imag	jery (B7)				·		t-Heave Hummocks	(D7) (LRR F)			
	Stained Leaves (B9))									
		<u>'</u>									
Field Observation											
Surface Water Pres		No _	X Depth (ii	nches):							
Water Table Prese		No _		nches):							
Saturation Present	? Yes_	X No	Depth (ii	nches):	16	Wetland Hydro	ology Present?	Yes X No			
(includes capillary	fringe)										
Describe Recorded	d Data (stream gauge	e, monitoring w	rell, aerial photos, p	previous insp	pections), if av	ailable:					
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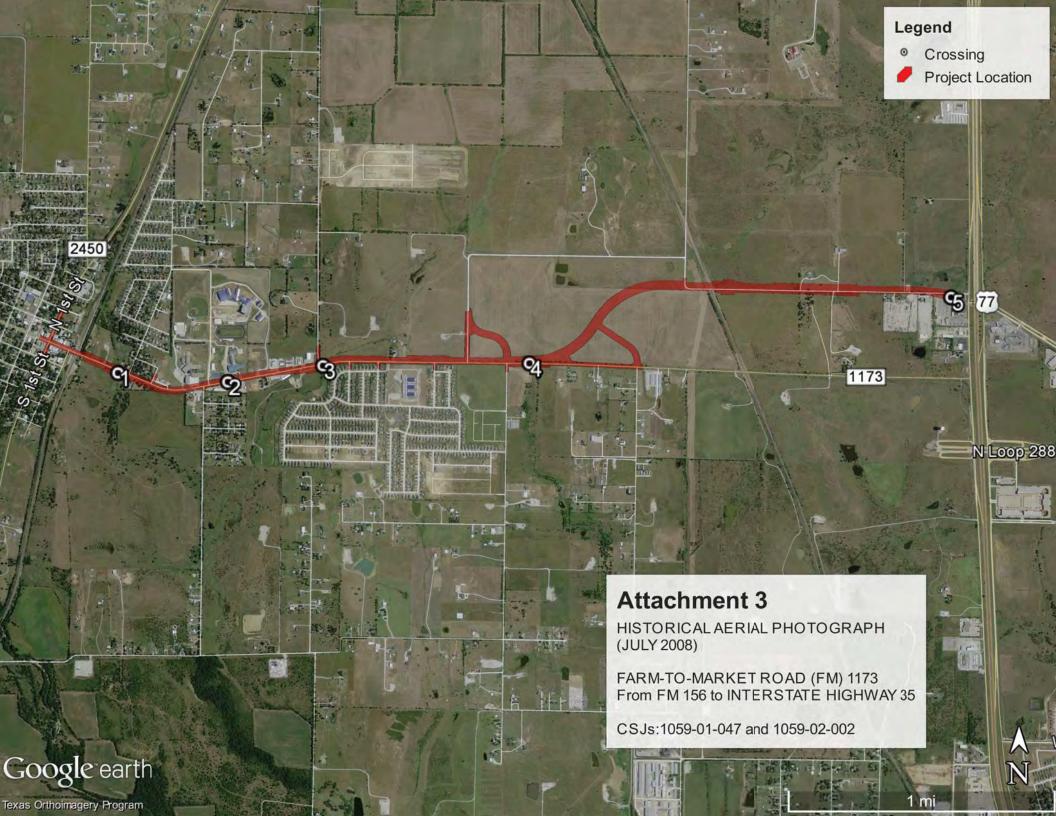
Attachment 3 – Historical Aerial Photographs

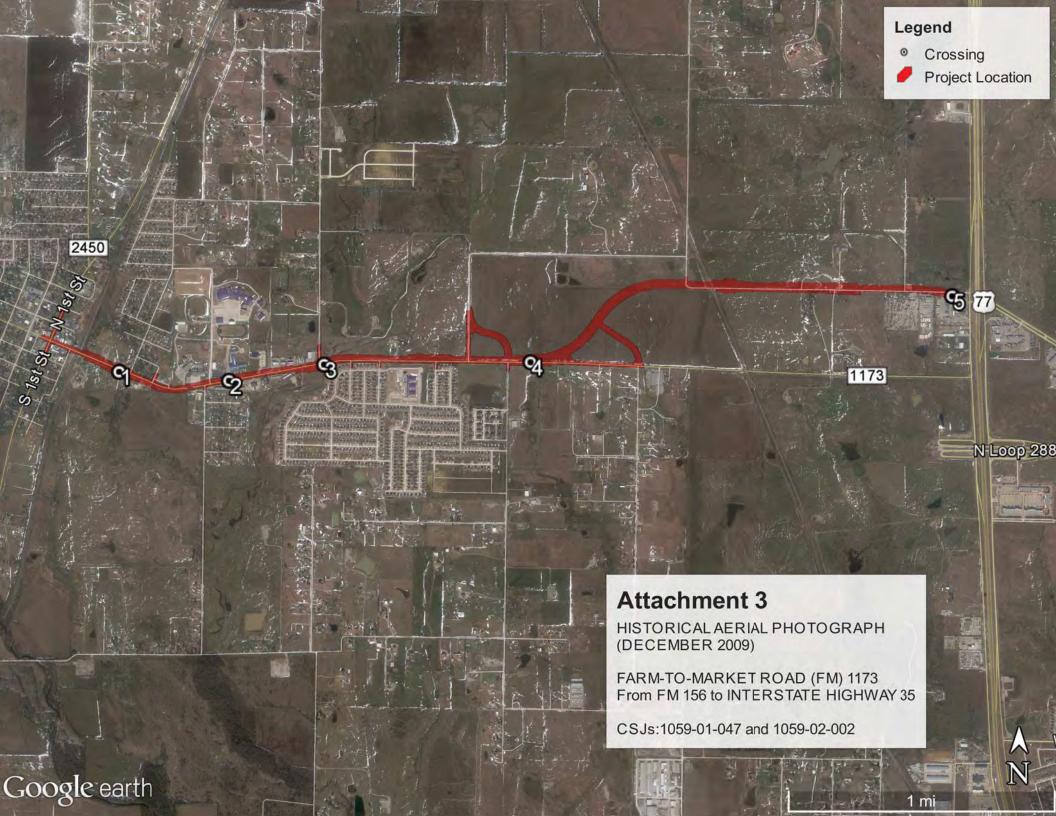


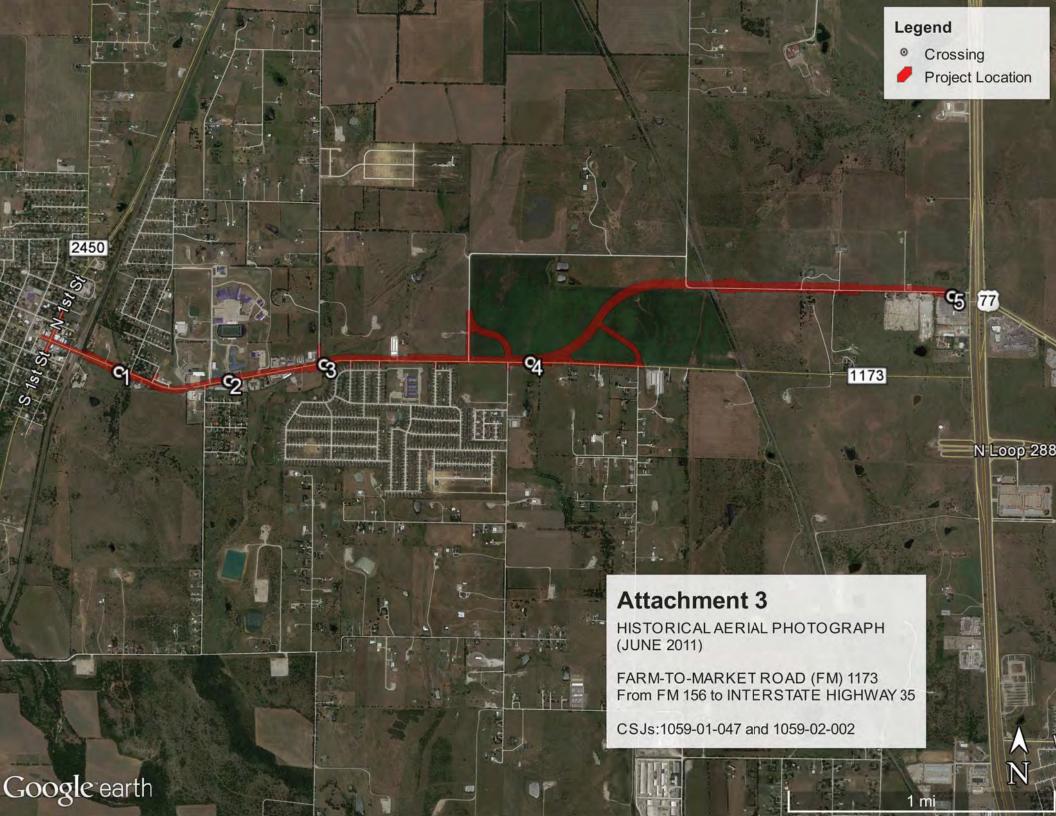


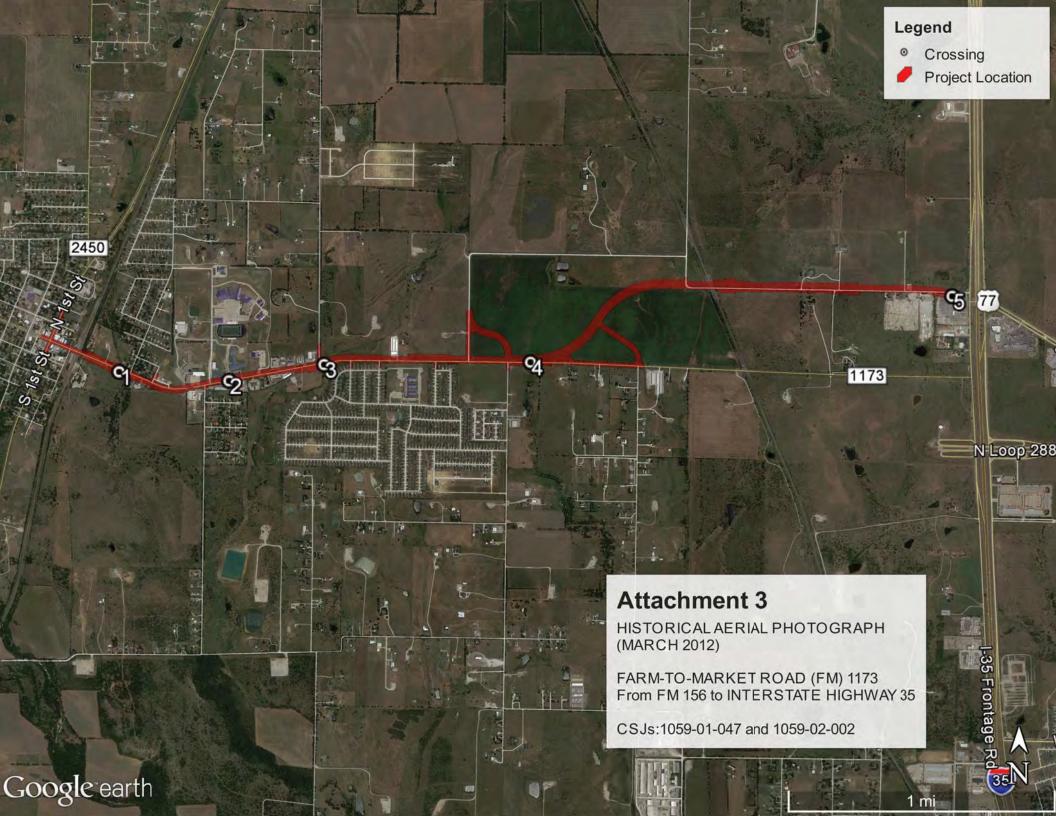


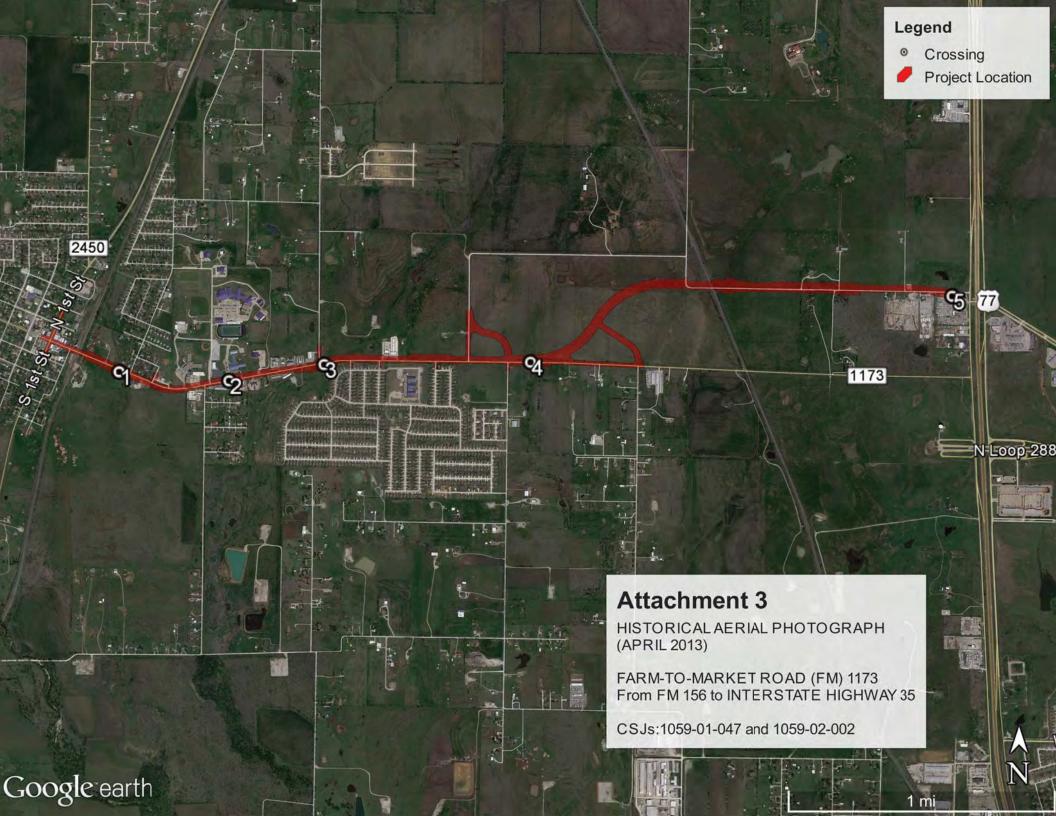


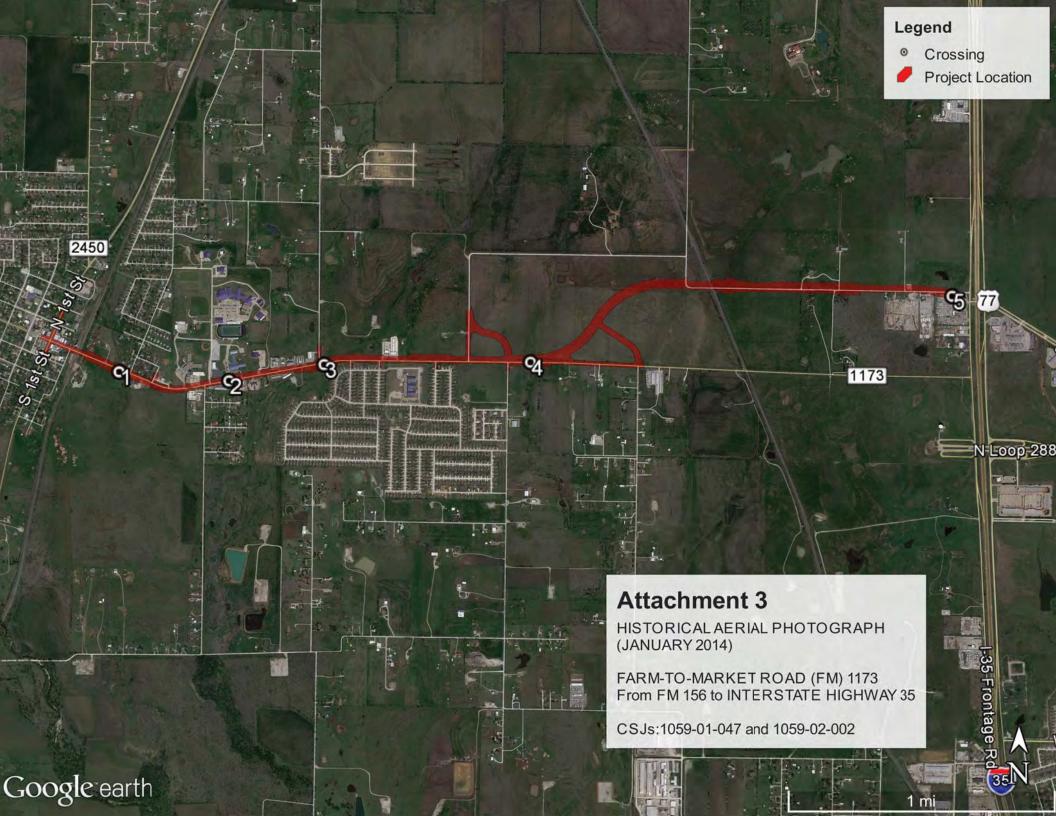


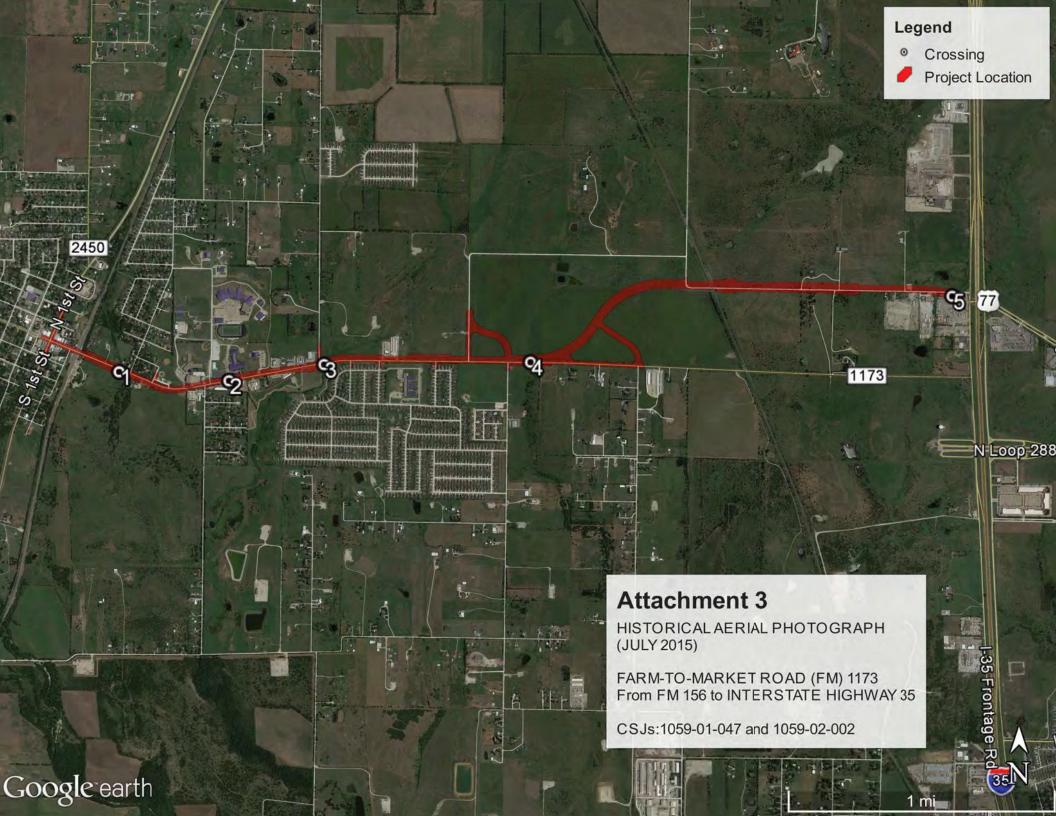


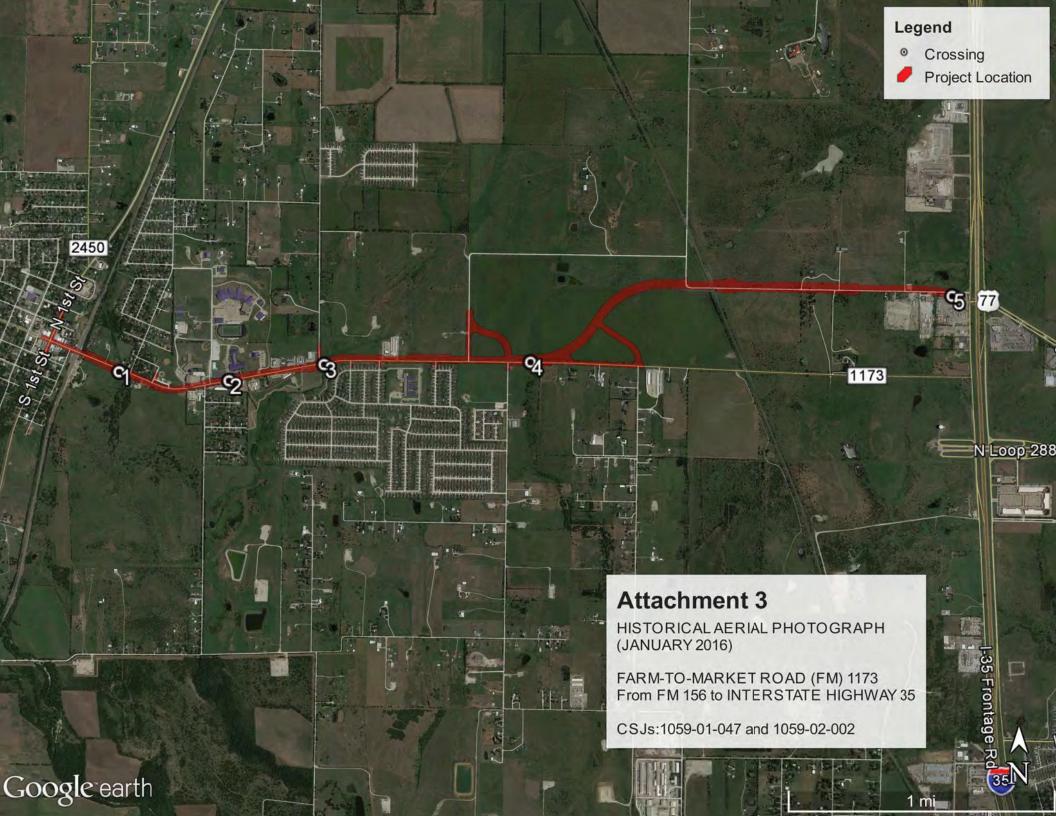


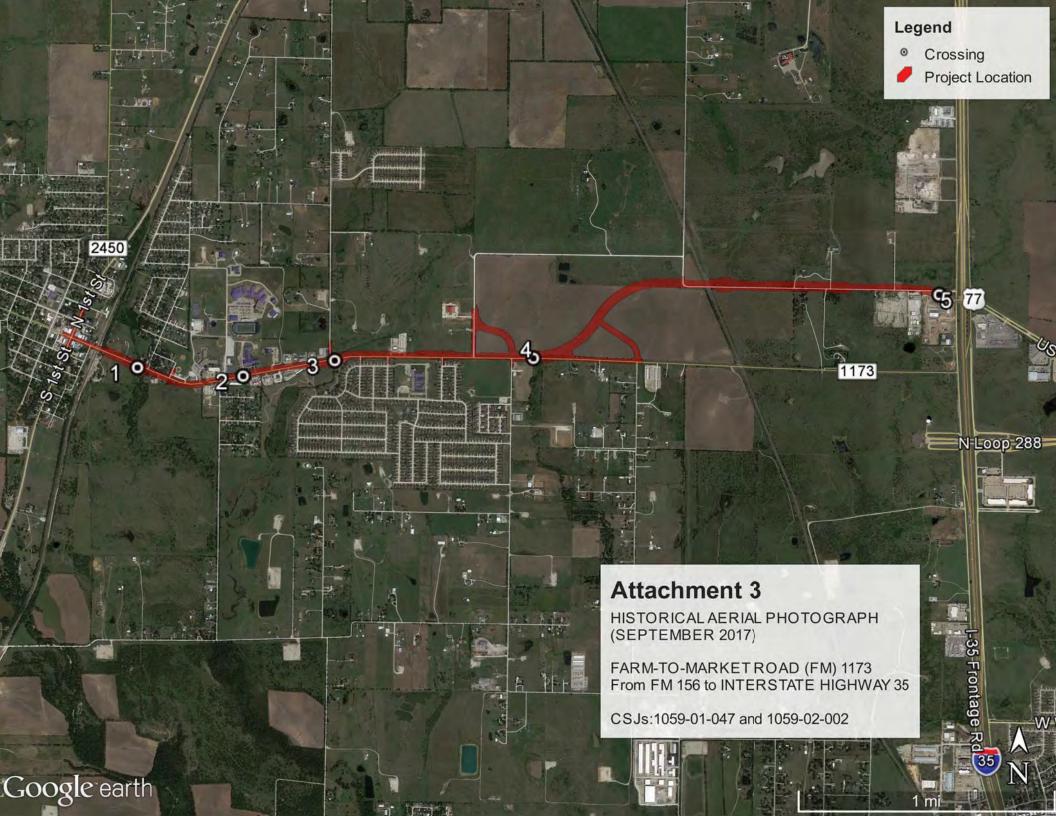


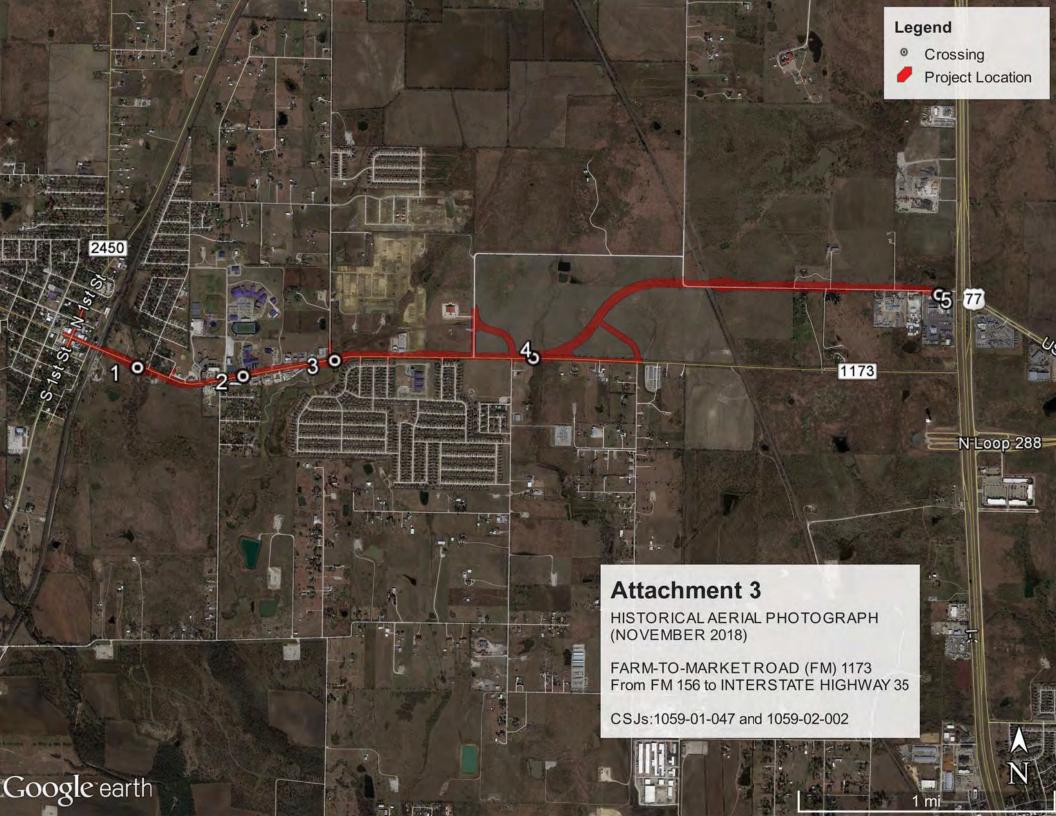


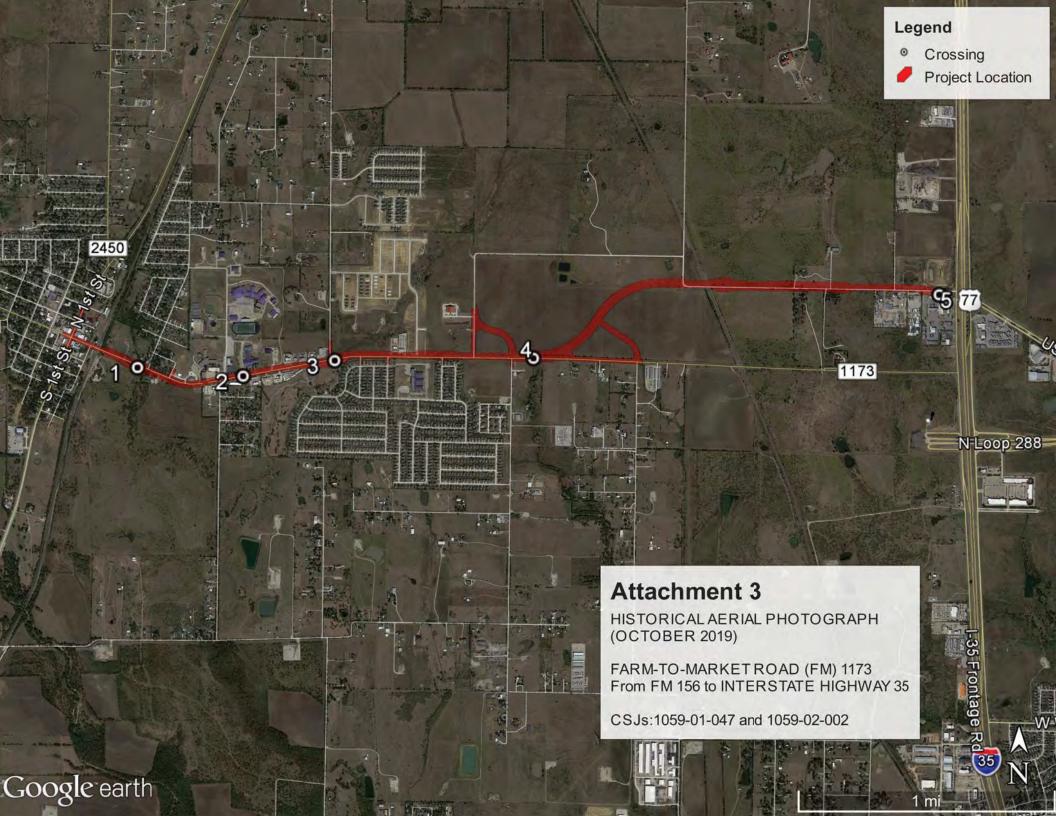












Attachment 4 - Site Photographs



Photograph 1: View looking south toward Crossing 1 – Jordan Creek (intermittent stream).



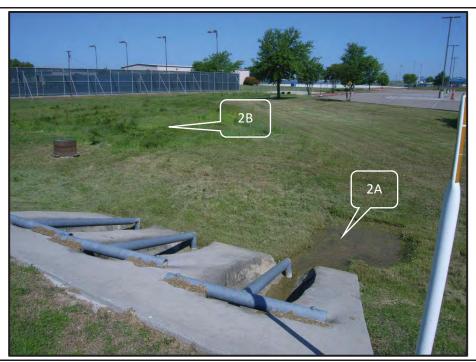
Photograph 2: View looking north toward Crossing 1 – Jordan Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 3: View looking north toward Crossing 1 – Jordan Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 4: View looking south toward Crossing 1 – Jordan Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 5: View looking northwest toward Crossing 2A – ephemeral tributary to Dry Fork Creek and Crossing 2B – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 6: View looking south toward Crossing 2A – ephemeral tributary to Dry Fork Creek.



Photograph 7: View looking southwest toward Crossing 2B – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 8: View looking northwest toward Crossing 2B – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 9: View looking south toward Crossing 3A – Dry Fork Hickory Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 10: View looking south toward Crossing 3A – Dry Fork Hickory Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 11: View looking northeast toward Crossing 3A – Dry Fork Hickory Creek (intermittent stream).



Photograph 12: View looking southeast toward Crossing 3B – intermittent tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek.



Photograph 13: View looking northwest at Crossing 3B – intermittent tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek.



Photograph 14: View looking west toward Crossing 3C – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 15: View looking west toward Crossing 3B – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 16: View looking southwest toward Crossing 3C – emergent wetland area.



Photograph 17: View looking north toward an upland non-jurisdictional drainage area north of Crossing 4.



Photograph 18: View looking north toward Crossing 4 - intermittent tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek.



Photograph 19: View looking south at Crossing 4 - intermittent tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek.



Photograph 20: View looking northwest toward Crossing 5 – intermittent tributary to Milam Creek.



Photograph 21: View looking southeast toward Crossing 5 – intermittent tributary to Milam Creek.



Photograph 22: View looking southwest at Crossing 5 – intermittent tributary to Milam Creek.

Attachment 5 - Stream Data Forms

	Stream Data Form #:	1
	Project Name:	FM 1173
	CSJ:	1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form		
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work:	4-16-20
USGS Stream Name: Jordan Creek		on, TX
	Stream Number [303(d) I	
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX Associated Wetland(s): None	GPS Data: 33.25999 N	
Associated wetraind(s): None	GPS Data: 33.23999 N	1-91.23302 W
Stream Type: Intermittent Characteristics	Natural	
Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.):	Stable	
Stream Flow Direction: S		
OHWM Width (ft): 6	OHWM Height (in):	24
Stream Bottom composition:		- :
Silts ☐ Cobbles ☐ Concrete ☐	Other:	
Sands Bedrock Muck		
Gravel Vegetation Type: Percent Cover	r	
Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/		
☐ Sand bar ☐ Sand/Gravel beach/bar ☐ Grave	el riffles	tic vegetation
Overhanging Deep pool/ hole/ Other:		
trees/shrubs channel Guier.		
Stream has the following characteristics: Bed and banks OHWM (check all indicators that apply):		
clear, natural line impressed on the bank	☐ the presence of litter and	debris
changes in the character of soil	destruction of terrestrial	
shelving	the presence of wrack lin	
vegetation matted down, bent, or absent	sediment sorting	
leaf litter disturbed or washed away	scour	
sediment deposition	multiple observed or pre-	dicted flow events
water staining	abrupt change in plant co	
other (list):	_ 1 5 1	,
_		
Water Quality:		
☐ Clear ☐ Slightly Turbid ☐ Turbid ☐ Very T	urbid 🗌 Oily film 🔲	High organic content
Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	_ ,	
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include	waterfowl, fish, snakes, turtles,	frogs, invertebrates, etc.
Fish, minnows		
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed.		
Black willow (Salix nigra) saplings, Sugar-Berry (Celtis laevigata)	Sticky-Willy (Galium aparing	b) Field Brome (Bromus arvansis)
Johnson Grass (Sorghum halepense), White-Mouth Day flower (Ca		
Johnson Grass (Sorgium nucepense), winte-wouth Day 110wel (Co	ommenna erecia), Orcai Ragwe	ca (morosu irjuu)
T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which	h species the habitat is suitable t	for.
None.		

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Stream Data Form (continued)

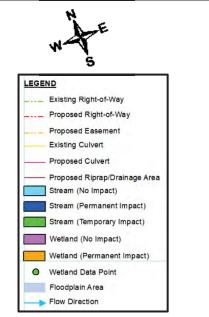
Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

- Directional arrow;
- Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)





Sectional View (NTS)



View looking south toward Crossing 1 -Jordan Creek

 $OHWM \approx 6 \ feet$

Depth of channel ≈ 24 inches

	Stream Data Form #:	2A
	Project Name:	FM 1173
	CSJ:	1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form		
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work:	4-16-20
USGS Stream Name: Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Creek	-	Denton, TX
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX	Stream Number [303	
Associated Wetland(s): Yes (Palustine Emergent)	GPS Data: 33.259	
Stream Type: Ephemeral Characteristics Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.): Stream Flow Direction: SE	Natural Highly eroding	
OHWM Width (ft): 8	OHWM Height (in):	6
	:	
Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/pr Sand bar Sand/Gravel beach/bar Gravel peep pool/ hole/ trees/shrubs Deep pool/ hole/ channel Other:		quatic vegetation
Stream has the following characteristics: Bed and banks OHWM (check all indicators that apply): clear, natural line impressed on the bank changes in the character of soil shelving vegetation matted down, bent, or absent leaf litter disturbed or washed away sediment deposition water staining other (list):	the presence of litter destruction of terres the presence of wrac sediment sorting scour multiple observed or abrupt change in pla	trial vegetation ck line r predicted flow events
Water Quality: ☐ Clear ☐ Slightly Turbid ☐ Turbid ☐ Very Turbit ☐ Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	urbid 🗌 Oily film	☐ High organic content
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include v None observed.	waterfowl, fish, snakes, tur	tles, frogs, invertebrates, etc.
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed. None.		
T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which None.	species the habitat is suita	able for.

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Stream Data Form #: Project Name:

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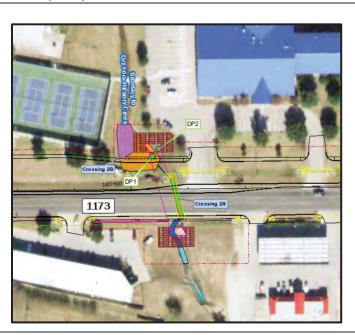
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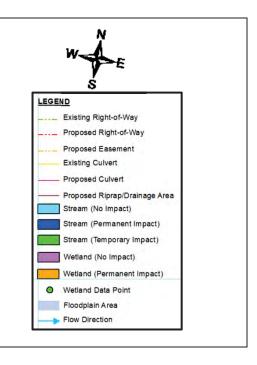
Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

- Directional arrow;
- Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)





Sectional View (NTS)



View looking north toward Crossing 2A – Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Creek

OHWM ≈ 8 feet Depth of channel ≈ 6 inches

	Stream Data Form #: 3A
	Project Name: FM 1173
	CSJ: 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form	
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work: 4-20-20
USGS Stream Name: Dry Fork Hickory Creek	County/State: Denton, TX
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX	Stream Number [303(d) List]: N/A
Associated Wetland(s): Yes (Palustine Emergent)	GPS Data: 33.26033 N -97.22032 W
Stream Type: Intermittent Characteristics	Natural
Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.):	Slightly eroding
Stream Flow Direction: S	
OHWM Width (ft): 10	OHWM Height (in): 12
Stream Bottom composition:	
	Other:
Sands Bedrock Muck	
Gravel Vegetation Type: Percent Cover	:
Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/p	roject limits
Sand bar Sand/Gravel beach/bar Gravel	
Overhanging Deep pool/hole/	innes inquite regetation
trees/shrubs	
Stream has the following characteristics:	
Bed and banks	
OHWM (check all indicators that apply):	
clear, natural line impressed on the bank	the presence of litter and debris
changes in the character of soil	destruction of terrestrial vegetation
shelving	the presence of wrack line
vegetation matted down, bent, or absentleaf litter disturbed or washed away	sediment sorting scour
sediment deposition	multiple observed or predicted flow events
water staining	abrupt change in plant community
other (list):	
_	
Water Quality:	
☐ Clear ☐ Slightly Turbid ☐ Turbid ☐ Very T	urbid Oily film High organic content
Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include	waterfowl, fish, snakes, turtles, frogs, invertebrates, etc.
Minnows, mollusk.	
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed.	d Drama (Pranus amanaia) Crast Dagwood (Ambrasia trifida)
Sugar-Berry (<i>Celtis laevigata</i>), Pale Dock (<i>Rumex altissimus</i>), Field Carolina geranium (<i>Geranium carolinianum</i>), Annual Ryegrass (<i>Le</i>	
erecta), Wild Onion (Allium drummondii), Sticky-Willy (Galium a	
Ragweed (Ambrosia artemisiifolia), Wand Panic Grass (Panicum v	
(,,,,	,,
T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which	species the habitat is suitable for.
None.	

Stream Data Form #: Project Name:

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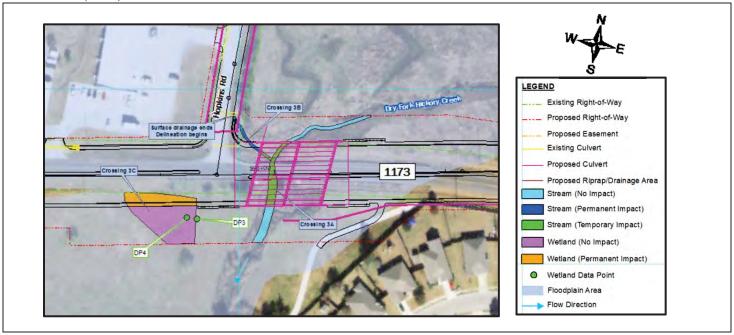
Stream Data Form (continued)

Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

- Sketch should melude
- Directional arrow;Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)



Sectional View (NTS)



View looking north toward Crossing 3A – Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek

OHWM ≈ 10 feet

Depth of channel ≈ 12 inches

	Stream Data Form #: 3B
	Project Name: FM 1173
	CSJ: 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form	
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work: 4-20-20
USGS Stream Name: Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork	County/State: Denton, TX
Hickory Creek	•
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX	Stream Number [303(d) List]: N/A
Associated Wetland(s): Yes (Palustine Emergent)	GPS Data: 33.26051 N -97.22055 W
Stream Type: Intermittent Characteristics	Natural
Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.):	Slightly eroding
Stream Flow Direction: SE	
OHWM Width (ft): 6	OHWM Height (in): 6
Stream Bottom composition:	
	Other:
Gravel Vegetation Type: Percent Cover	r:
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Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/p	
Sand bar Sand/Gravel beach/bar Gravel Overhanging Deep pool/ hole/ Overhanging Deep pool/ hole/	riffles Aquatic vegetation
Overhanging trees/shrubs Deep pool/ hole/ channel Other:	
trees/sin dos chamier	
Stream has the following characteristics:	
Bed and banks	
OHWM (check all indicators that apply):	
☐ clear, natural line impressed on the bank	the presence of litter and debris
changes in the character of soil	destruction of terrestrial vegetation
shelving	the presence of wrack line
vegetation matted down, bent, or absent	sediment sorting
☐ leaf litter disturbed or washed away	scour
sediment deposition	☐ multiple observed or predicted flow events
☐ water staining	☐ abrupt change in plant community
other (list):	
Water Quality:	_
☐ Clear ☑ Slightly Turbid ☐ Turbid ☐ Very T	Curbid Oily film High organic content
Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include	waterfowl, fish, snakes, turtles, frogs, invertebrates, etc.
Minnows.	
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed.	
Sugar-Berry (Celtis laevigata), Pale Dock (Rumex altissimus), Fiel	
Carolina geranium (Geranium carolinianum), Annual Ryegrass (L	·
erecta), Wild Onion (Allium drummondii), Sticky-Willy (Galium d	
Ragweed (Ambrosia artemisiifolia), Wand Panic Grass (Panicum V	urgatum), Mouse-ear Chickweed (Cerastium vulgatum)

T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which species the habitat is suitable for.

None.

Stream Data Form #: Project Name:

CSJ:

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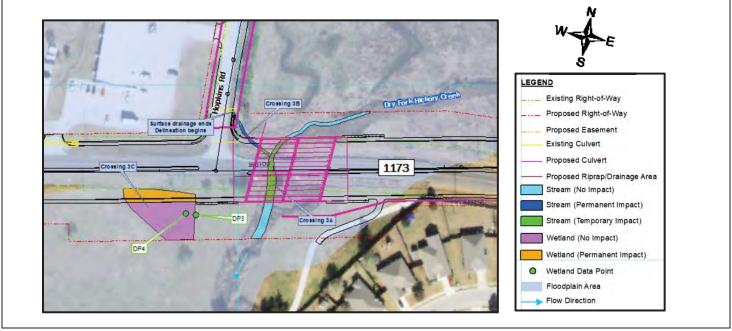
Stream Data Form (continued)

Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

- Directional arrow;
- Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)



Sectional View (NTS)



View looking northwest toward Crossing 3B – Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek

OHWM \approx 6 feet Depth of channel \approx 6 inches

	Stream Data Form #:	4
	Project Name:	FM 1173
	CSJ:	1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form		
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work:	4-20-20
USGS Stream Name: Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork	_	Denton, TX
Hickory Creek	County/State.	Johnson, 171
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX	Stream Number [303((d) List]: N/A
Associated Wetland(s): Yes (Palustine Emergent)	GPS Data: 33.2602	
Stream Type: Intermittent Characteristics	Natural	
Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.):	Slightly eroding	
	Singility Croding	
Stream Flow Direction: S OHWM Width (ft): 3	OHWM Height (in):	24
Stream Bottom composition:	_ Offwwiri fieight (iii).	24
Silts Cobbles Concrete	Other:	
Sands Bedrock Muck	other.	
Gravel Vegetation Type: Percent Cove	r·	
		
Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/I Sand bar Sand/Gravel beach/bar Gravel Overhanging trees/shrubs Deep pool/ hole/ channel Other:		uatic vegetation
Stream has the following characteristics: Bed and banks OHWM (check all indicators that apply): clear, natural line impressed on the bank changes in the character of soil shelving vegetation matted down, bent, or absent leaf litter disturbed or washed away sediment deposition water staining other (list): Water Quality:	abrupt change in plan	rial vegetation k line predicted flow events nt community
☐ Clear ☑ Slightly Turbid ☐ Turbid ☐ Very T☐ Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	Turbid Oily film [High organic content
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include None.	waterfowl, fish, snakes, turt	les, frogs, invertebrates, etc.
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed. Sugar-Berry (Celtis laevigata), Pale Dock (Rumex altissimus), Fie artemisiifolia), Mouse-ear Chickweed (Cerastium vulgatum), Grea	at Ragweed (Ambrosia trifide	
T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which	h species the habitat is suital	ale for

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None.

Stream Data Form #: Project Name: CSJ:

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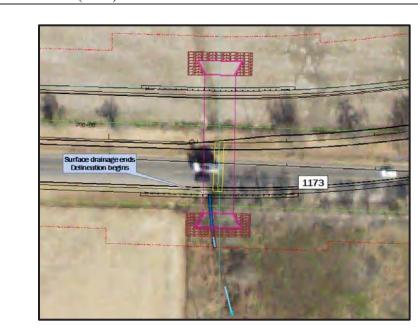
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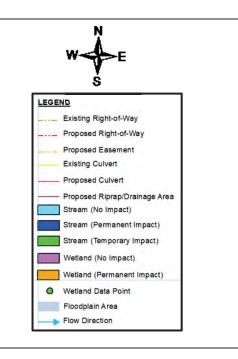
Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

- Directional arrow;
- Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)





Sectional View (NTS)



View looking north toward Crossing 4 – Unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek

 $OHWM \approx 3 \ feet$

Depth of channel ≈ 24 inches

	Stream Data Form #: 5
	Project Name: FM 1173
	CSJ: 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002
Stream Data Form	
Surveyor(s): AC, AG, JS	Date of Field Work: 4-20-20
USGS Stream Name: unnamed tributary to Milam Creek	County/State: Denton, TX
USGS Topo Quad Name: Sanger, TX	Stream Number [303(d) List]: N/A
Associated Wetland(s): Yes (Palustine Emergent)	GPS Data: 33.26413 N -97.17941 W
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Stream Type: Intermittent Characteristics	Natural
Bank Stability (e.g. highly eroding, sloughing banks, etc.):	Stable
	Stable
Stream Flow Direction: NE	OUWM Height (in).
OHWM Width (ft): 15	OHWM Height (in): 6
Stream Bottom composition: Silts Cobbles Concrete	Other:
Sands Bedrock Muck	Other:
Gravel Vegetation Type: Herbaceous Pe	arcant Cover: 30
Graver vegetation Type. Herbaccous re	Cicciii Covei. 30
Aquatic Habitat: Indicate all types present within proposed ROW/p.	project limits.
☐ Sand bar ☐ Sand/Gravel beach/bar ☐ Gravel	
Overhanging Deep pool/ hole/ Other:	_ 1 0
trees/shrubs Deep poor hole Other:	
Stream has the following characteristics:	
Bed and banks	
\boxtimes OHWM (check all indicators that apply):	
clear, natural line impressed on the bank	the presence of litter and debris
changes in the character of soil	destruction of terrestrial vegetation
shelving	the presence of wrack line
vegetation matted down, bent, or absent	sediment sorting
leaf litter disturbed or washed away	scour
sediment deposition	multiple observed or predicted flow events
□ water staining□ other (list):	abrupt change in plant community
U other (fist):	
Water Quality:	
	`urbid ☐ Oily film ☐ High organic content
Other characteristics (pollutants, etc.)	arota
Aquatic Organisms: List all species observed. This would include	waterfowl, fish, snakes, turtles, frogs, invertebrates, etc.
None observed.	
Riparian Vegetation: List species observed.	
None.	
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T&E Species/Suitable Habitat: List T&E species observed or which	a species the habitat is suitable for.
None.	

Stream Data Form #: Project Name: CSJ:

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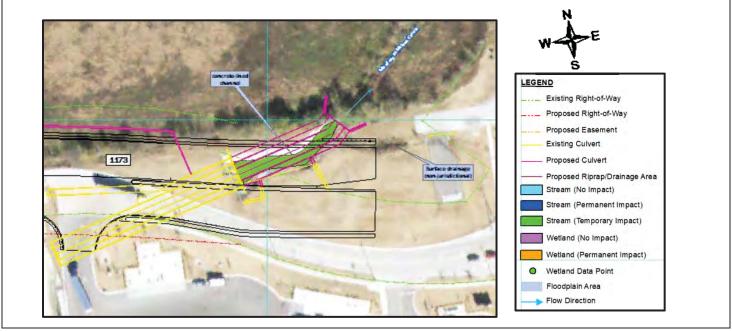
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Please provide a plan and section view sketch of the stream channel. Sketch should include:

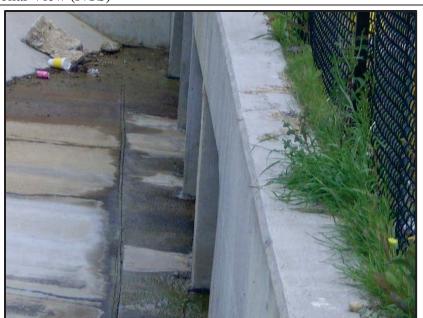
- Directional arrow;
- Width of channel from top of bank to top of bank;
- Depth of channel,

- Approximate side slope; and,
- Width of stream from water edge to water edge.

Plan View (NTS)



Sectional View (NTS)



View looking south toward Crossing 5 – Unnamed tributary to Milam Creek

 $OHWM \approx 15 \ feet$

Depth of channel ≈ 6 inches

Project Name: Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 1173

CSJ(s): 1059-01-047 and 1059-02-002

County(ies): **Denton**

Date Analysis Completed: 5/1/2020

Prepared by: Alma Canning, Civil Associates, Inc.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

I. Section 402 of the Clean Water Act

No project-specific analysis is required as part of the environmental review process under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act for the reasons provided below:

Since TPDES Construction General Permit (CGP) authorization and compliance (and the associated documentation) occur outside of the environmental clearance process, compliance is ensured by the policies and procedures that govern the design and construction phases of the project. The Project Development Process Manual and the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) Preparation Manual require a storm water pollution prevention plan (SWP3) be included in the plans of all projects that disturb one or more acres. The Construction Contract Administration Manual requires that the appropriate CGP authorization documents (notice of intent or site notice) be completed, posted, and submitted, when required by the CGP, to TCEQ and the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operator. It also requires that projects be inspected to ensure compliance with the CGP.

The PS&E Preparation Manual requires that all projects include Standard Specification Item 506 (Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls), and the "Required Specification Checklists" require Special Provision 506-003 on all projects that need authorization under the CGP. These documents require the project contractor to comply with the CGP and SWP3, and to complete the appropriate authorization documents.

For more information regarding Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

II. Section 404 of the Clean Water Act

This project will not involve any regulated activity in any jurisdictional waters and
therefore does not require a United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) "dredge
and fill" permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

	Some or all regulated activity in jurisdictional waters will be authorized under a <u>non-reporting nationwide permit (i.e., no pre-construction notification required)</u> . If this statement applies, indicate which non-reporting nationwide permit(s) will be used below
	Non-reporting NWP no(s): <enter no(s)="" non-reporting="" nwp=""></enter>
\boxtimes	Some or all regulated activity in jurisdictional waters cannot be authorized under a non-reporting nationwide permit; therefore, <u>a nationwide permit with pre-construction</u> notification will be required

For more information regarding Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

III. Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 USC 408)

No project-specific analysis is required as part of the environmental review process under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 USC 408) ("Section 408") for the reasons provided below:

Any project that involves alterations to, or will temporarily or permanently occupy or use, a USACE federally authorized civil works project (e.g., sea walls, bulkheads, reservoirs, levees, wharfs, or other federal civil works projects, or associated federal land (fee simple) or easements) will require USACE authorization under Section 408 prior to construction of the project. Obtaining any required authorization under Section 408 from the USACE is generally handled by hydraulic and/or design engineers. For any project that requires authorization under both Section 404 and Section 408, the Section 404 authorization cannot be issued until the Section 408 authorization is issued.

For more information regarding Section 408, see ENV's Water Resources Handbook.

IV. Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act

For a CE project, no project-specific analysis is required as part of the environmental review process under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act for the reasons provided below:

To date, TCEQ has not identified (through either a total maximum daily load (TMDL) or the review of projects under the TCEQ MOU) a need to implement control measures beyond those required by the construction general permit (CGP) on road construction projects. Therefore, compliance with the project's CGP, along with coordination under the TCEQ MOU for certain transportation projects, collectively meets the need to address impaired waters during the environmental review process. As required by the CGP, the project and associated activities will be implemented, operated, and maintained using best management practices to control the discharge of pollutants from the project site.

For an EA or EIS project, further analysis regarding impaired waters is required under TxDOT's MOU with TCEQ for inclusion in the body of the environmental assessment or environmental impact statement. To do this further analysis, determine whether the project is located within five linear miles (not stream miles) of, is within the watershed of, and drains to, an impaired assessment unit under Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act.

For an EA or EIS project only, provide the date of the Section 303(d) list consulted: April 24, 2020

	For an EA or EIS	pro	<u>ject only,</u>	check the	appropriate	box below:
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\boxtimes	This project is <u>not</u> located within five linear miles (not stream miles) of, is <u>not</u> within the
	watershed of, or does <u>not</u> drain to, an impaired assessment unit under Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act.
	This project is located within five linear miles (not stream miles) of, is within the
	watershed of, <u>and</u> drains to, an impaired assessment unit under Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act.

<u>For an EA or EIS project only,</u> if the second box is checked, fill-in the table below for any impaired assessment units within five miles of the project and within the same watershed as the project:

Watershed	Segment name	Segment number	Assessment unit number
<enter text=""></enter>	<enter text=""></enter>	<enter text=""></enter>	<enter text=""></enter>
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For more information regarding Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

V. General Bridge Act/Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act

Select the appropriate statement below:

\boxtimes	This project will not require a permit, bridge lighting authorization, or exemption from the
	United States Coast Guard under Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, which outlines
	the requirements for approval to construct dams, dikes, bridges, or causeways in or over a navigable waterway.

This project <u>will</u> require a permit, bridge lighting authorization, or exemption from the United States Coast Guard under Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, which outlines the requirements for approval to construct dams, dikes, bridges, or causeways in or over a navigable waterway.

For more information regarding the General Bridge Act/Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

VI. Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act

Select the appropriate statement(s) below:

		This project does <u>not</u> require authorization from the USACE under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, which outlines the requirements for approval to construct smaller											
		This project <u>does</u> require authorization from the USACE under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. Some or all regulated activity in a navigable waterway will be authorized under a <u>non-reporting nationwide permit (i.e., no pre-construction notification required)</u> . If this statement applies, indicate which non-reporting nationwide permit(s) will be used below.											
	Non-reporting NWP no(s): <enter any="" non-reporting="" number="" numbers="" nused="" of="" or=""></enter>												
		This project <u>does</u> require authorization from the USACE under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. Some or all regulated activity in a navigable waterway cannot be authorized under a non-reporting nationwide permit; therefore, <u>a nationwide permit with pre-construction notification, individual permit, letter of permission, regional general permit, or individual Section 10 permit will be required.</u>											
For mor		nation regarding Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, see ENV's Water Resources											
VII.	Section	n 401 of the Clean Water Act											
	•	cific analysis is required as part of the surface water analysis under Section 401 of the ct for the reasons provided below:											
	For a project that will use a NWP under Section 404 or Section 10, regardless of whether the NWP is non-reporting (i.e., assumed) or reporting (i.e., requires submittal of a PCN), TxDOT complies with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act by implementing TCEQ's conditions for NWPs. For projects that require authorization under Section 404 or Section 10 beyond a NWP, TxDOT complies with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act by including a Tier I or Tier II checklis (depending upon the amount of disturbance/impact) in the individual permit, letter of permission or regional general permit application that is submitted to the USACE, and then complying with the conditions of the Tier I or Tier II checklist.												
For mor		nation regarding Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, see ENV's Water Resources											
VIII.	Execut	ive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands											
Select t	he appro	opriate statement below:											
		This project is <u>not</u> federally funded and therefore is <u>not</u> subject to Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands.											
		This project is federally funded and therefore is subject to Executive Order 11990,											

Protection of Wetlands, and will <u>not</u> involve construction in any wetlands.

This project <u>is</u> federally funded and therefore <u>is</u> subject to Executive Order 11990,

Protection of Wetlands, and <u>will</u> involve construction in one or more wetlands.

Explanation of how the project will comply with Executive Order 11990 is provided below.

Explanation of why there is no practicable alternative to such construction:

The proposed project consists of the expansion and realignment of an existing roadway. There are no technical and logistical factors that could avoid impacts to the waters of the U.S., including wetlands, within the proposed project limits as these resources are located perpendicular to and parallel with the existing roadway.

Explanation of how the project includes all practicable measures to minimize harm to wetlands:

There are no immediate design alternatives or facility re-configurations that have avoided affecting surface waters, while still satisfying the capacity improvement objectives. The existing linear transportation project runs perpendicular to and parallel with waters of the U.S., including wetlands. The No-Build Alternative would be the least environmentally damaging because it would not involve any construction activities that would impact waters of the U.S. However, this will not meet the need and purpose of the proposed project. The proposed project is needed because the existing FM 1173 within the project limits is inadequate to meet current and future traffic volumes, resulting in congestion and reduced mobility, and it fails to meet the current safety design standards due to the existing facility lacking ROW for pedestrians. The purpose of the proposed project is to provide infrastructure options to reduce traffic congestion on the existing roadways; to increase mobility (including pedestrian and bicycle accommodations); and, to address design deficiencies. Avoiding impacts to the waters of the U.S., including wetlands, is not possible because they run perpendicular to or parallel with the existing roadway. There are no other design alternatives or facility required reconfigurations that could avoid impacts to the waters of the U.S., including wetlands, while still satisfying the improvement objectives. An alternate location would require extensive land purchase and displacements, and would be inconsistent with the local and regional mobility plans. No alternative geographic area is supportable. The proposed ROW is the least amount required in order to meet the minimum requirements of the project.

For more information regarding Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

IX. Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management

No project-specific analysis is required as part of the environmental review process under Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management for the reasons provided below:

The department implements this Executive Order on a programmatic basis through its Hydraulic Design Manual. Design of this project will be conducted in accordance with the department's Hydraulic Design Manual. Adherence to the TxDOT Hydraulic Design Manual ensures that this project will not result in a "significant encroachment" as defined by FHWA's rules implementing Executive Order 11988 at 23 CFR 650.105(q).

For more information regarding Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, see **ENV's Water Resources Handbook**.

X. Drinking Water Systems

No project-specific analysis is required as part of the environmental review process for drinking water systems for the reasons provided below:

In accordance with TxDOT's Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets and Bridges (Item 103, Disposal of Wells), any drinking water wells would need to be properly removed and disposed of during construction of the project.

XI. Resources Consulted

Indicate which resources were consulted/actions were taken to make the surface water determinations recorded in this form (DO NOT ATTACH TO THIS FORM OR UPLOAD TO ECOS ANY RESOURCES CONSULTED – JUST CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES)):

□ Aerial Photography (list date	s mm/yyyy): <u>1996-2019</u>									
☑ Topographic Maps										
⊠ Site Visit	□ USFWS NWI Maps	⋈ NRCS Soil Survey								
□ NHD	□ TCEQ Streams/Waterbodies	☐ LIDAR								
☐ USACE Approved JDs	☐ USACE Section 10 waters	☐ USACE 408 data								
□ TCEQ 303(d) Impaired Water	ers									
☐ Contacted resource agency	(list agency and reason):									
☐ Other (list):										

Section 404/10 Impacts Table

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Waterbody or wetland characteristics							Potentially Ju	urisdictional?			on 404 impacts f	or WATERBODY			Total section 404 impacts for CROSSING						Authorization				
waterbody of wetland characteristics						- Continuity Ju			Temporary			Permanent			Temporary			Permanent	<u> </u>		Autnorization				
					Acres within project area (all			Section 10	1	•	Cubic yards (CY) of fill material to be	Permanent waterbody or	stream impacts		waterbody or	Temporary stream impacts	Cubic yards (CY) of fill material to be	Permanent waterbody or	Permanent stream impacts						
Crossing number	Waterbody or wetland numbe		Туре	Latitude, Longitude	waterbodies and wetlands)	only)	(waters of the U.S.)	(navigable waters)	wetland impacts (acres)	(linear feet/acres)	temporarily discharged	wetland impacts (acres)	(linear feet/acres)	be permanently discharged	wetland impacts (acres)	(linear feet/acres)	temporarily discharged	wetland impacts (acres)	(linear feet/acres)	permanently discharged	Authorization Type	Number (NWP and RGP only)	Reason (PCN only)	Mitigation Required?	
1	1	Jordan Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2599907455811	0.06	288	Yes	No	0	0.02/38	64.53	0	0.03/200	96.8	0	0.02/38	64.53	0	0.03/200	96.8	NWP - No PCN			No	
2	2A	unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Creek	Ephemeral stream	-97.2336207724162 33.2594384850471 -97.2265116899424	0.03	197	Yes	No	0	0.01/84	8.07	0	0.02/84	16.13	0	0.01/84	8.07	0.06	0.02/84	112.93	NWP with PCN	14	wetlands impact	Yes	
2	2B	wetland	Palustrine emergent	33.2596031989415 -97.2267702253102	0.10	N/A	Yes	No	0	0	0	0.06	0	96.80											
3	3A	Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2603328880305 -97.2203201141843	0.07	340	Yes	No	0	0.03/124	48.4	0	0	0	0	0.03/148	50.82	0.06	0.009/80	104.06	NWP with PCN	14	wetlands impact	Yes	
3	3B	unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2605052883512 -97.2205481951735	0.01	104	Yes	No	0	0.003/24	2.42	0	0.009/80	7.26											
3	3C	wetland	Palustrine emergent	33.2600331350783 -97.2208974545305	0.19	N/A	Yes	No	0	0	0	0.06	0	96.80											
4	4	unnamed tributary to Dry Fork Hickory Creek	Intermittent stream	33.260259818802 -97.206877559057	0.004	60	Yes	No	0	0	0	0	0.03/47	96.80	0	0	0	0	0.03/47	96.80	NWP - No PCN	14		No	
5	5	unnamed tributary to Milam Creek	Intermittent stream	33.2641318281219 -97.1794120643894	0.07	160	Yes	No	0	0.07/160	56.47	0	0	0	0	0.07/160	56.47	0	0	0	NWP - No PCN	14		No	