

Appendix A-1

Solicitation of Views and Responses

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Solicitation of Views and Initiation of Section 106 Consultation
I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana
State Project No. H.010151.2 / Federal Agency Project No. H.010151

INFRASTRUCTURE

Dear «Salutation»:

Date:
22 August 2012

Early in the planning process for a transportation facility, views from federal, state, and local agencies, organizations, and individuals are solicited. The special expertise of these groups can assist the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) with the identification of possible adverse economic, social, or environmental effects from the project or other related concerns and reach agreeable decisions while taking into account the interests of all parties.

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In addition to identifying any concerns or issues as mentioned above, your consultation to address cultural and historic resource issues pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800) is also requested. Coastal Environments, Inc., will be conducting the cultural resources survey for the Interchange Improvement Project. If you know of another interested party or other potential Section 106 concerns, please advise us to that information as well.

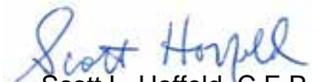
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A project overview, project study area map, and figures of alternatives are attached for your review. We would also like to advise you that a stakeholders and elected officials meeting will be held in Lake Charles, Louisiana, on Tuesday, September 18, 2012, followed by a public meeting on the same day. Specific information regarding these meetings will be provided soon.

On behalf of LADOTD, ARCADIS U.S., Inc., requests that you review the attached information and furnish us with your views and comments by **Friday, September 21, 2012**. Replies should be sent to Elizabeth Beam by e-mail or by U.S. mail at the addresses provided. Please reference State Project No. H.010151.2 in your reply.

Sincerely,
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.


Scott L. Hoffeld, C.E.P.
Senior Project Manager

Attachments

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I-210 – COVE LANE / NELSON ROAD
INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS
CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA
STATE PROJECT NO. H.010151.2
F.A.P. NO. H. 010151

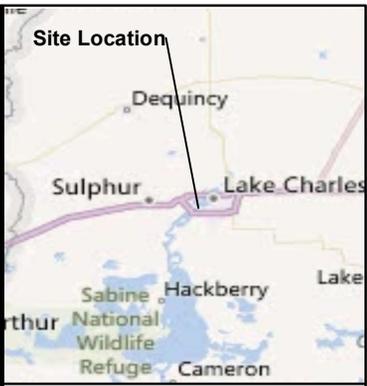
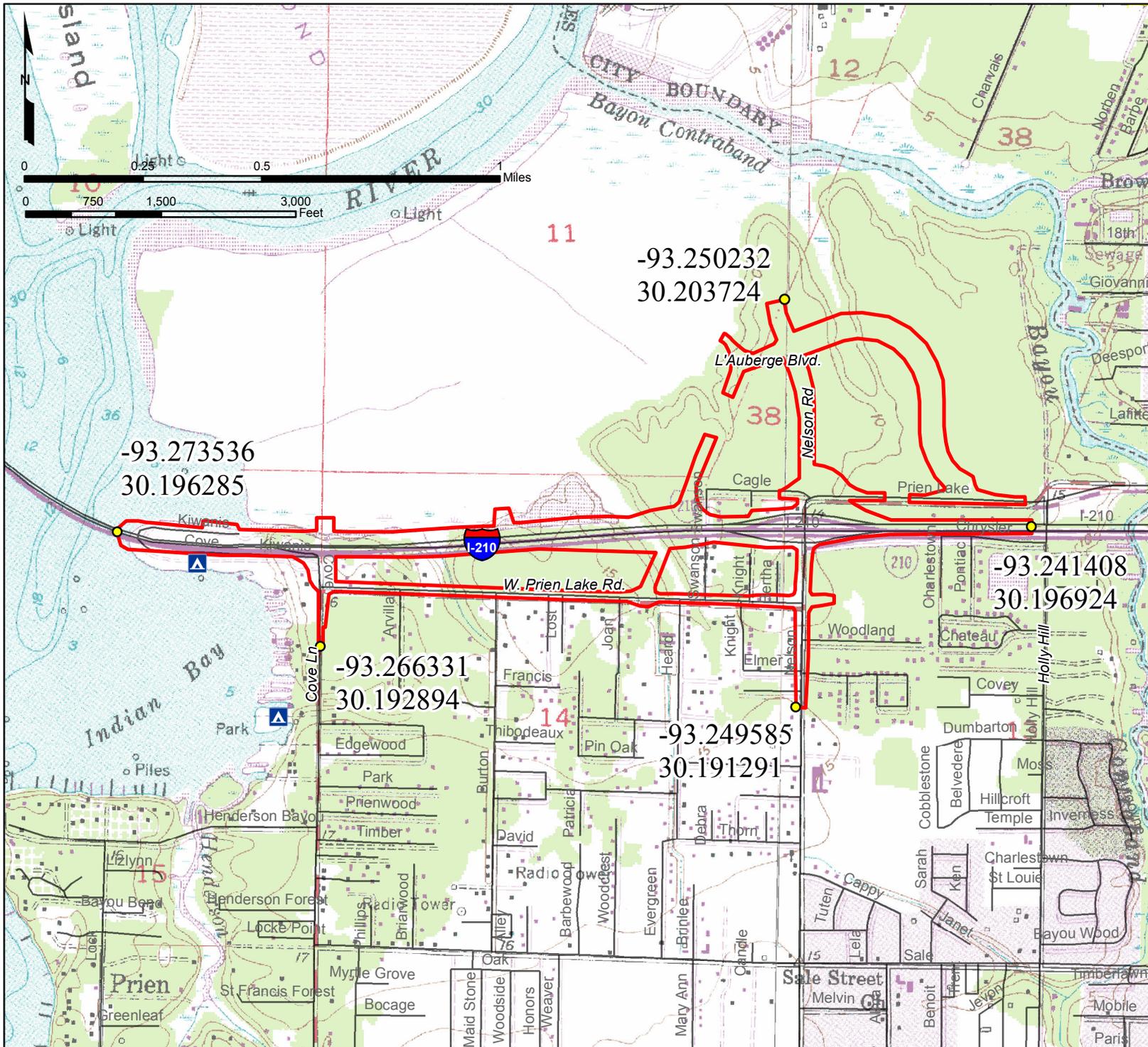
Project Overview

Description of the Project. The I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road Interchange Improvement project includes improvements along I-210 between Cove Lane and Nelson Road, and the adjoining local street network. The interchange improvements will provide access to future development and address future traffic. An Interchange Justification Report (IJR) prepared by ABMB Engineers, Inc., includes 28 alternative interchange improvement configurations. Six of the 28 alternatives meet Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) policy requirements. These alternatives will be further evaluated in the Environmental Assessment (EA), offering a variety of improvements and alternate configurations.

Purpose and Need for the Project. The purpose and need for the proposed action is to construct roadway improvements that will accommodate existing and projected future traffic demands along the I-210 corridor between Cove Lane and Nelson Road within DOTD and FHWA policies and standards.

Project Study Area. The project study area is located east of Indian Bay, south of the Calcasieu River, and west of Holly Hill Road along the I-210 corridor and includes West Prien Lake Road between Cove Lane and Nelson Road. The project study area extends south along Cove Lane and Nelson Road and north of I-210 along Nelson Road. The EA will investigate the potential for effects to cultural resources, threatened and endangered species, and special wildlife habitats and natural communities present within the study area. Residential, light commercial, religious, and recreational land uses exist to the south of I-210 with commercial retail, hotel and casino land uses to the north. The proposed project would improve existing roadway infrastructure within existing right-of-way (ROW) of the study area. Additional ROW will be required with minimal displacement of existing land uses anticipated. A location map that illustrates the project study area for the six alternative configurations (build alternatives) is attached (Figure 1).

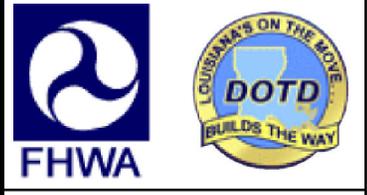
Alternatives. The proposed alternatives to be further evaluated meet LADOTD and FHWA stipulations which require a Level of Service (LOS) D or better in the design year along the I-210 corridor between Nelson Rd and Cove Lane. The implementation or build year has been established as 2021 and the design year as 2041. Figures 2 – 7 (attached) illustrate and describe each of the six alternatives being evaluated in the EA. In addition, a no build alternative will be evaluated.



PROJECT LOCATION MAP

I-210 - COVE LANE / NELSON ROAD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS
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 F.A.P. NO. H. 010151
 CALCASIEU, PARISH

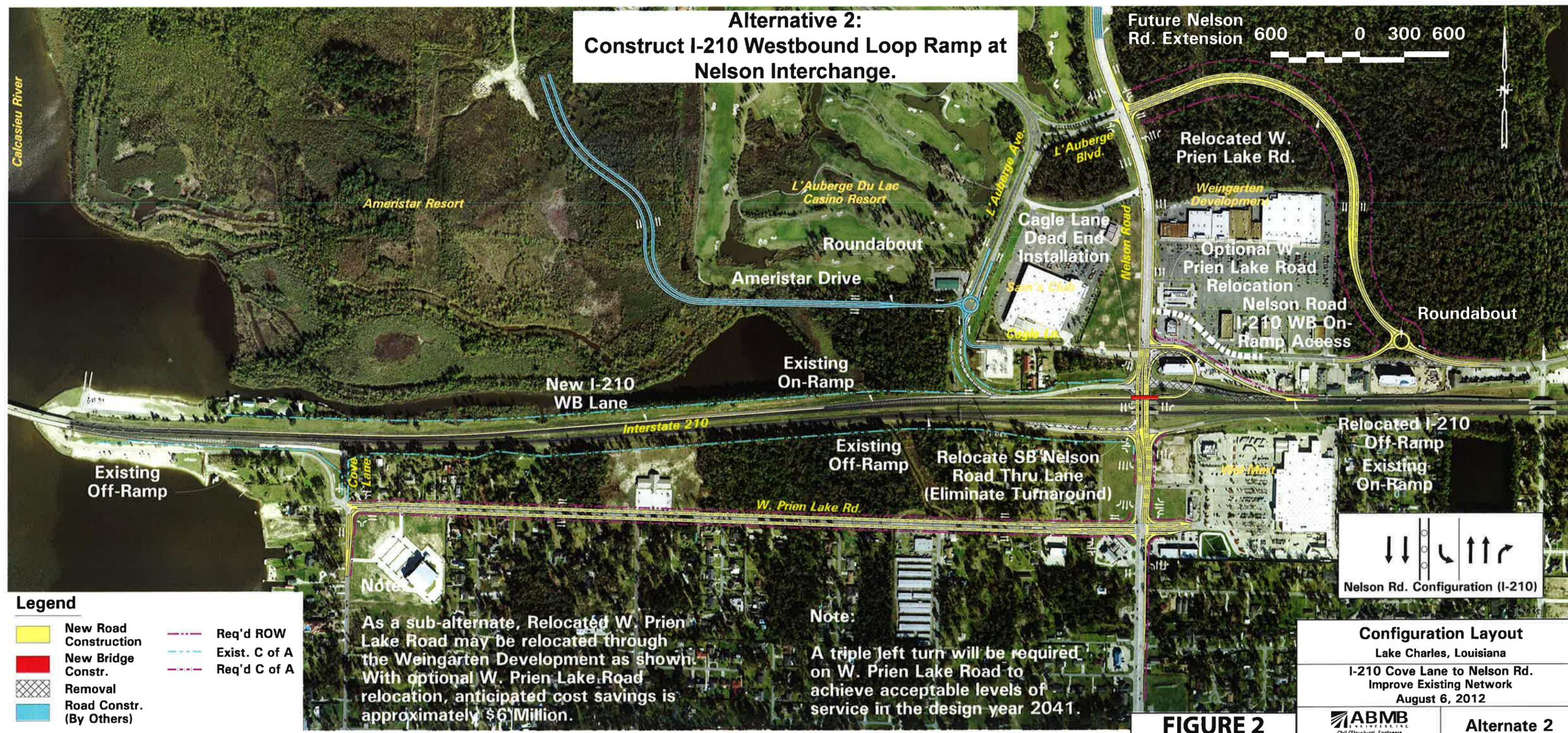
- Legend**
- Study Area
 - Local Roads
 - ▲ Parks
 - Study Area Coordinates



Source: Study Area and Alignments provided by ABMB Engineers Inc.
 Imagery: 7.5 minute Quadrangle TOPO and Microsoft Bing Maps Road

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PROJECT NUMBER: LA003115.0001	FIGURE NUMBER: 1

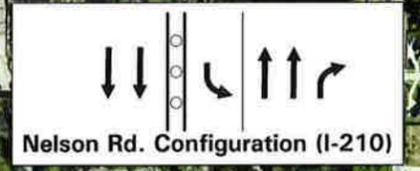
**Alternative 2:
Construct I-210 Westbound Loop Ramp at
Nelson Interchange.**



- Legend**
- New Road Construction
 - New Bridge Constr.
 - Removal Road Constr. (By Others)
 - Req'd ROW
 - Exist. C of A
 - Req'd C of A

Note:
As a sub-alternate, Relocated W. Prien Lake Road may be relocated through the Weingarten Development as shown. With optional W. Prien Lake Road relocation, anticipated cost savings is approximately \$6 Million.

Note:
A triple left turn will be required on W. Prien Lake Road to achieve acceptable levels of service in the design year 2041.

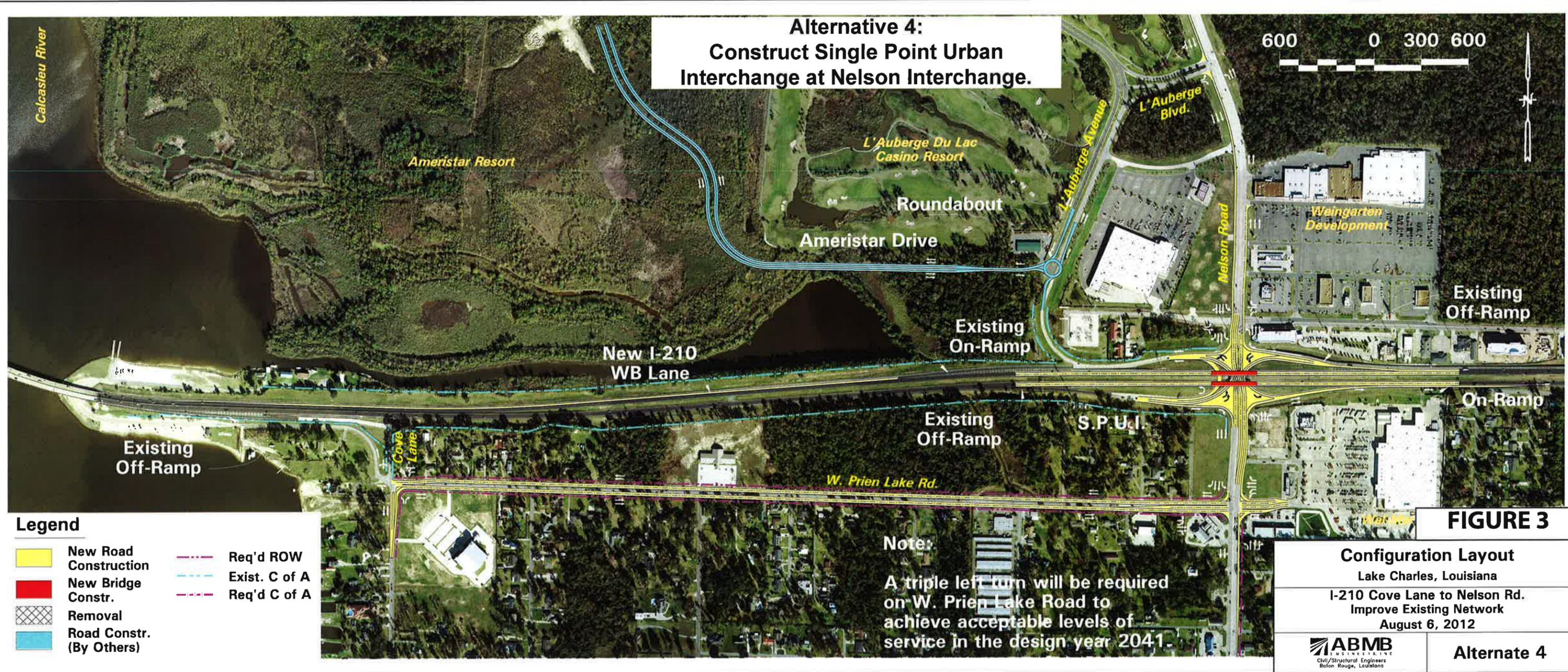


Configuration Layout
Lake Charles, Louisiana
I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Rd.
Improve Existing Network
August 6, 2012



Alternat 2

FIGURE 2



Alternative 7:
 Create a Diamond interchange at Nelson Road (close existing Cove Exit Ramp); construct a new I-210 overpass and provide required Nelson laneage under the new overpass.

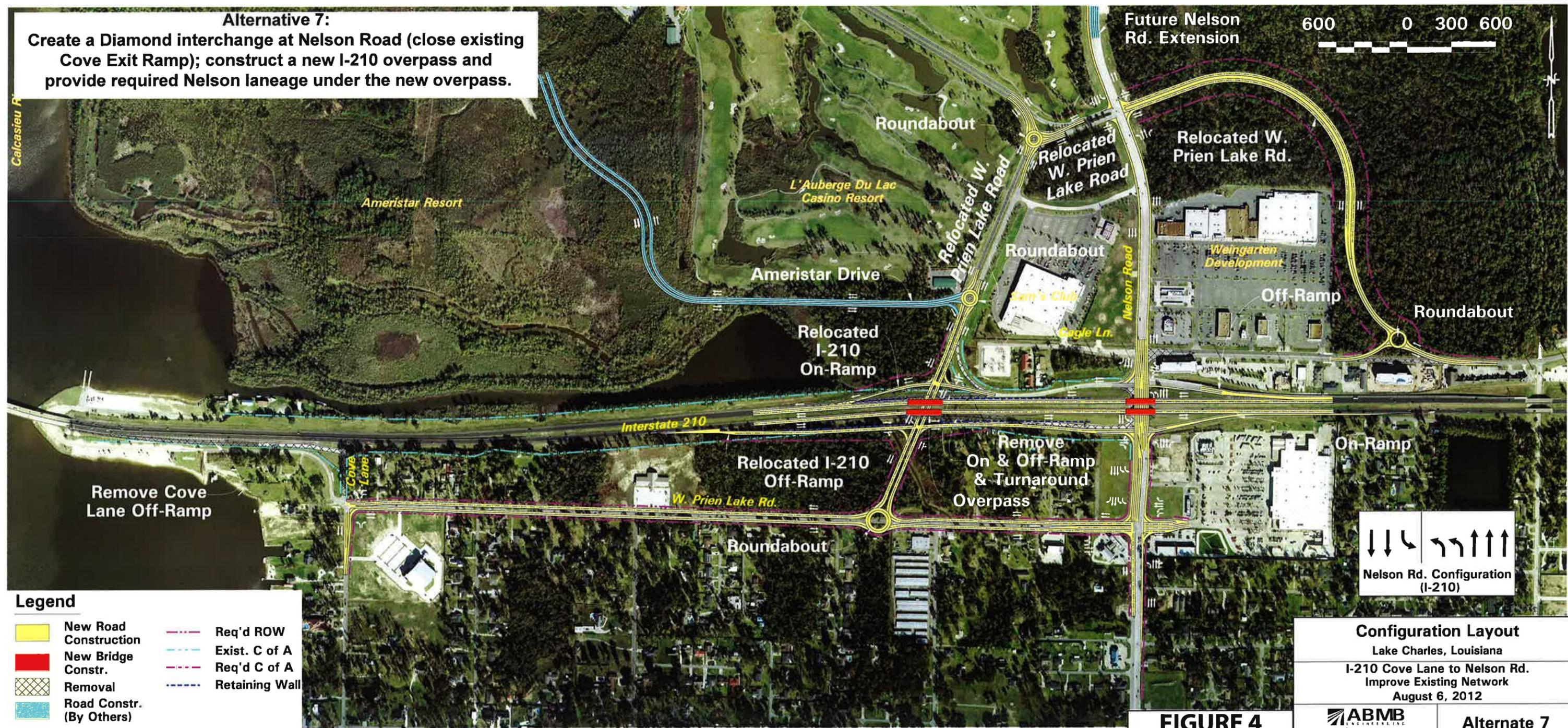
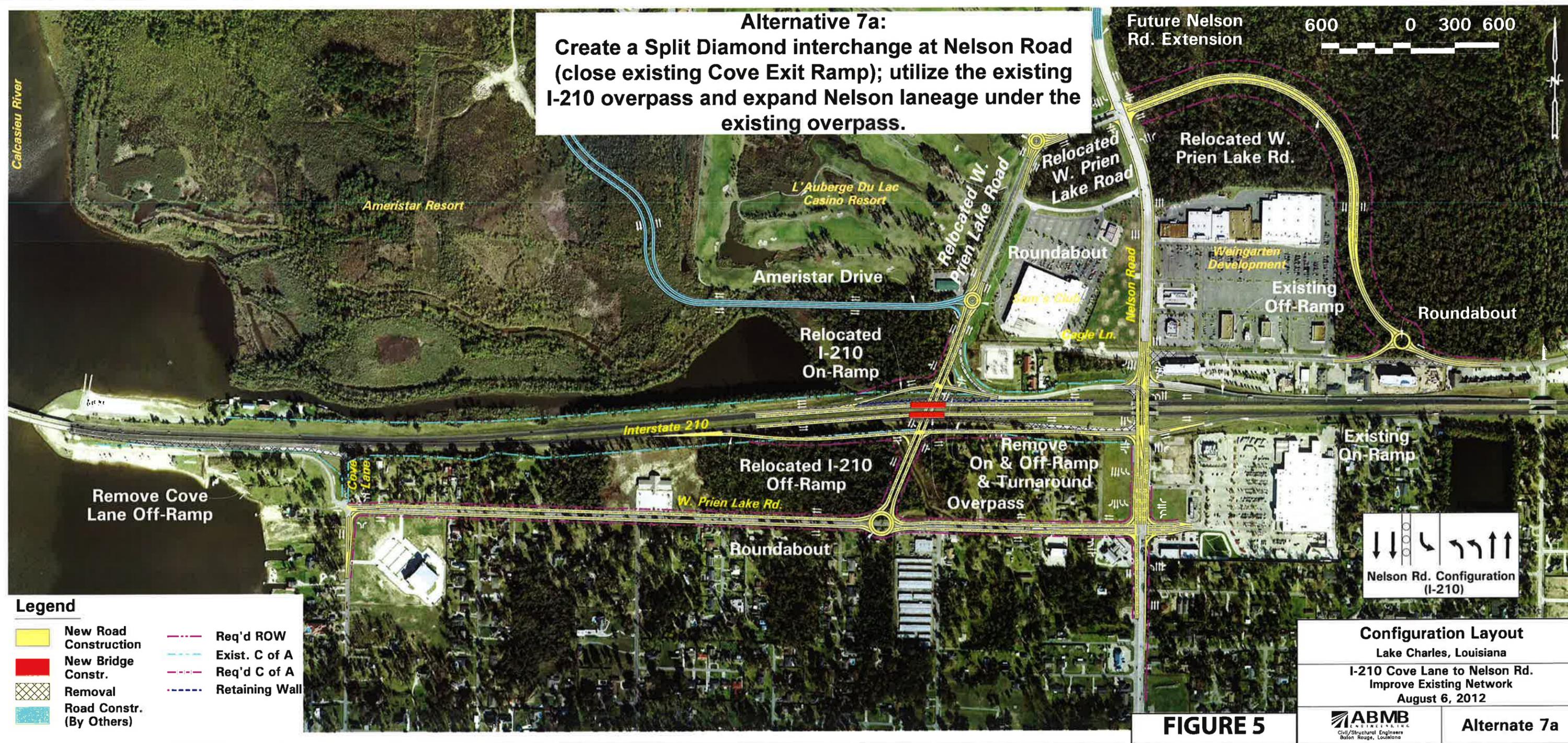


FIGURE 4

Configuration Layout	
Lake Charles, Louisiana	
I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Rd. Improve Existing Network August 6, 2012	
 ABMB <small>Civil/Structural Engineers Baton Rouge, Louisiana</small>	Alternate 7

Alternative 7a:
Create a Split Diamond interchange at Nelson Road (close existing Cove Exit Ramp); utilize the existing I-210 overpass and expand Nelson laneage under the existing overpass.



- Legend**
- New Road Construction
 - New Bridge Constr.
 - Removal
 - Road Constr. (By Others)
 - Req'd ROW
 - Exist. C of A
 - Req'd C of A
 - Retaining Wall

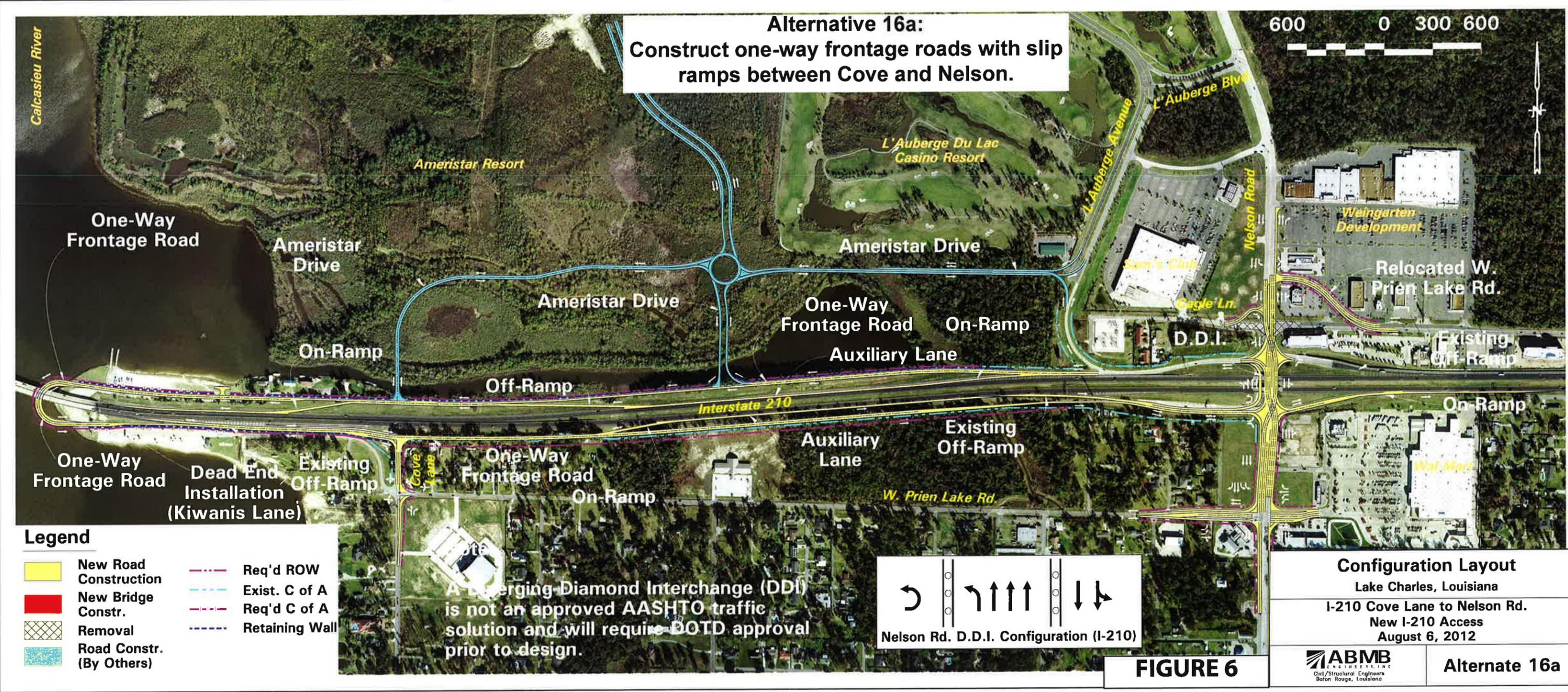


Configuration Layout
 Lake Charles, Louisiana
 I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Rd.
 Improve Existing Network
 August 6, 2012



FIGURE 5

Alternate 7a

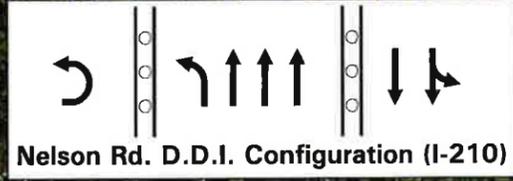


Alternative 16a:
 Construct one-way frontage roads with slip ramps between Cove and Nelson.

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- Legend**
- New Road Construction
 - New Bridge Constr.
 - Removal
 - Road Constr. (By Others)
 - Req'd ROW
 - Exist. C of A
 - Req'd C of A
 - Retaining Wall

A Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) is not an approved AASHTO traffic solution and will require DOTD approval prior to design.



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 I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Rd.
 New I-210 Access
 August 6, 2012



Alternate 16a

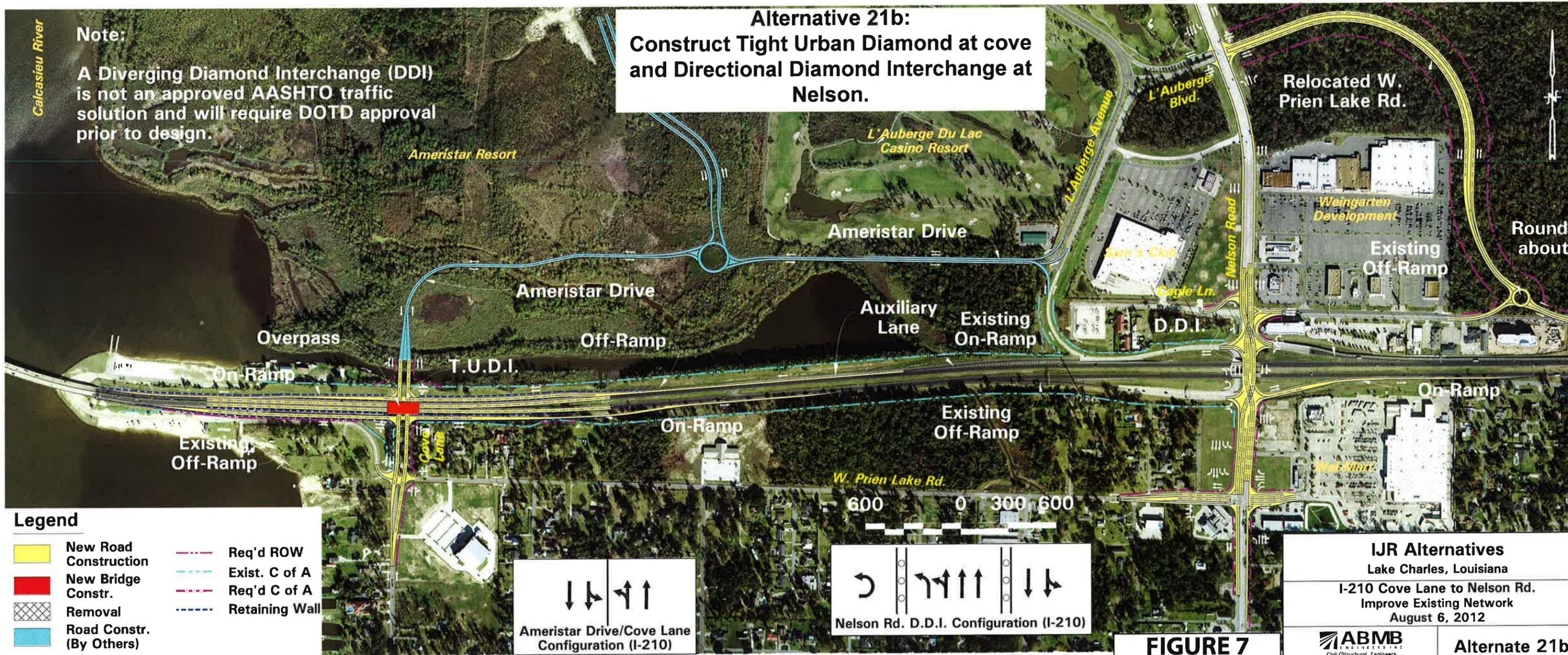
FIGURE 6

Calcasieu River

Note:

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Alternative 21b:
Construct Tight Urban Diamond at cove
and Directional Diamond Interchange at
Nelson.



Legend

- New Road Construction
- New Bridge Constr.
- Removal
- Road Constr. (By Others)
- Req'd ROW
- Exist. C of A
- Req'd C of A
- Retaining Wall

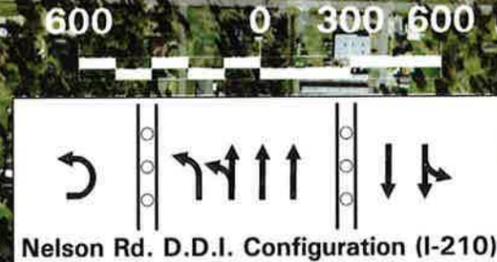


FIGURE 7

IJR Alternatives
Lake Charles, Louisiana
I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Rd.
Improve Existing Network
August 6, 2012

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AN ENGINEERING FIRM
Civil/Structural Engineers
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Alternate 21b

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August 23, 2012

Ms. Elizabeth Beam
Arcadis U.S., Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Re: I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
State Project No. H.010151.2
Federal Agency Project No. H.010151

Dear Ms. Beam,

I am in receipt of the solicitation of views regarding improvements for I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road in Calcasieu Parish.

The Division of Outdoor Recreation in the Louisiana Office of State Parks administers the Land and Water Conservation Fund program for Louisiana. In this capacity we compile an inventory of recreational sites within the state for publication in the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) published periodically. The most recent SCORP was published for the period of 2009-2014 with an inventory developed in 2009.

Based on the information provided, there does not appear to be any conflict regarding this proposed project with existing recreational facilities identified in the most recent SCORP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cleve Hardman".

Cleve Hardman
Director of Outdoor Recreation

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Fax: (318) 473-7626

August 24, 2012

Elizabeth Beam
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RE: I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road - State Project H.010151

Dear Ms. Beam:

I have reviewed the above referenced project for potential requirements of the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) and potential impact to Natural Resource Conservation Service projects in the immediate vicinity.

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The project map submitted with your request indicates that the proposed construction areas will not impact prime farmland and therefore is exempt from the rules and regulations of the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)—Subtitle I of Title XV, Section 1539-1549. Furthermore, we do not predict impacts to NRCS work in the vicinity.

For specific information about the soils found in the project area, please visit our Web Soil Survey at the following location: <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/>

Please direct all future correspondence to me at the address shown above.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin D. Norton".

Kevin D. Norton
State Conservationist

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 6
1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1200
DALLAS TX 75202-2733

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August 28, 2012

Mr. Scott L. Hoffeld, C.E.P.
Senior Project Manager
Arcadis U.S., Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Dr.
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Dear Mr. Hoffeld:

We have received your August 22, 2012, letter via email requesting our evaluation of the potential environmental impacts which might result from the following project:

**Interchange Improvement
I-210 cove Lane / Nelson Road
SP No. H.0010151.2
Calcasieu Parish
Lake Charles, Louisiana**

The project, proposed for financial assistance through the United States Federal Highway Administration is located on the Chicot aquifer system which has been designated a sole source aquifer by the EPA. Based on the information provided for the project, we have determined that the project, as proposed, should not have an adverse effect on the quality of the ground water underlying the project site.

This approval of the proposed projects does not relieve the applicant from adhering to other State and Federal requirements, which may apply. This approval is based solely upon the potential impact to the quality of ground water as it relates to the EPA's authority pursuant to Section 1424(e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

If you did not include the Parish/County; a legal description; project location and the latitude and longitude if available, please do so in future Sole Source Aquifer correspondence.

If you have any questions on this letter or the sole source aquifer program please contact me at (214) 665-7133.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Bechdol, Coordinator
Sole Source Aquifer Program
Ground Water/UIC Section

cc: Jesse Means, LDEQ
Noel Ardoin, LDOTD
Elizabeth Beam, Arcadis

Beam, Elizabeth

From: Al Hoover <al.hoover@cityoflc.us>
Sent: Thursday, August 30, 2012 8:29 AM
To: Beam, Elizabeth
Subject: FW: State Project NO. H. 010151.2

Follow Up Flag: FollowUp
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This is for your review and processing.

Thanks
Al Hoover

From: Al Hoover
Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2012 4:11 PM
To: Katherine Whitson
Cc: Aandrea LeLeaux
Subject: State Project NO. H. 010151.2

Dear Ms. Beam

After receiving and reviewing the Solicitation of Views for the above mentioned state project Lake Charles City Transit would like to advise you that the Cove Lane/Nelson Road project will have not negative impact for the city transit system. The transit system is designed to account for adjustments to traffic patterns for current and future use.

Should there be anymore questions please feel free to contact us again.

Al Hoover
Lake Charles Transit Manager
337-491-1253



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Region 6
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

September 4, 2012

Elizabeth Beam
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.
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SUBJECT: State Project No. H.010151.2, I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Beam,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 has received your correspondence, dated August 22, 2012, regarding a request for information for the , I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, and under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, our agency has identified areas of concern that should be addressed in your Environmental Assessment:

- project area is within one mile of many EPA regulated facilities
- project area is over the Chicot Aquifer, an EPA designated sole source aquifer
- project may impact wetlands; a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit may be required
- project area is within the 100 year floodplain
- rare and/or sensitive habitats/vegetation within 0.5 mile of project area; recommend coordination with the Louisiana Natural Heritage Program
- project area is within 0.65 mile of two schools
- project area is within the Calcasieu 1-hour ozone maintenance area

Please note that the proposed project may be subject to other federal, state, and local regulations. Please see attached documentation. Thank you for your coordination and don't hesitate to contact John MacFarlane, of my staff, at 214-665-7491 or macfarlane.john@epa.gov should you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rhonda Smith", followed by a horizontal line.

Rhonda Smith
Chief, Office of Planning and
Coordination

Enclosure



NEPAssist

Project Location Map



Geographic coordinates:

LINE

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with buffer 1 miles

Length of digitized line	1.87 mi
Facility	
Within 1 miles of a hospital?	no
Within 1 miles of a TRI facility?	no
Within 1 miles of a regulated facility?	yes
Within 1 miles of an airport?	no
Water	
Within 1 miles of a Wild and Scenic River?	no
Within 1 miles of an area over a Sole Source Aquifer?	yes
Within 1 miles of the 100 year flood plain?	yes
Within 1 miles of the 500 year flood plain?	yes
Within 1 miles of an NWI wetland?	yes
Within 1 miles of an NLCD wetland?	yes
Ecology	
Within 1 miles of a federal/state park or wildlife area?	no
Within 1 miles of a critical habitat area?	no
Within 1 miles of a REAP Composite area that is within the Top 10% highest scores?	no
Within 1 miles of a REAP Diversity area that is within the Top 10% highest scores?	yes
Within 1 miles of a REAP Rarity area that is within the Top 10% highest scores?	no
Within 1 miles of a REAP Sustainability area that is within the Top 10% highest scores?	no
Other	
Within 1 miles of a place on the National Historic Register?	no
Within 1 miles of a school?	yes
Within 1 miles of a nonattainment area?	no
Within 1 miles of a previous nonattainment, maintenance, or EAC area?	yes
Within 1 miles of a Tribal boundary or property of interest?	no
NatureServe data	
Within 1 miles of known rare, endangered, or at-risk species?	click here

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- [GISST Analysis](#)

Last updated on Tuesday, September 04, 2012

Beam, Elizabeth

From: Hoffeld, Scott
Sent: Wednesday, September 05, 2012 4:43 PM
To: Beam, Elizabeth; Badon, Greg
Subject: FW: DEQ SOV 120827/1735 1-210 Cove Lane-Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project

Please print for our EA.

Scott Hoffeld, CEP | Sr. Project Manager | scott.hoffeld@arcadis-us.com

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From: Beth Altazan-Dixon [mailto:Beth.Dixon@LA.GOV]
Sent: Wednesday, September 05, 2012 11:27 AM
To: Hoffeld, Scott
Subject: DEQ SOV 120827/1735 1-210 Cove Lane-Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project

September 5, 2012

Scott L. Hoffeld, Senior Project Manager
Arcadis US, Inc.
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scott.hoffeld@arcadis-us.com

RE:120827/1735 1-210 Cove Lane-Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project
H.010151.2 LADOTD Funding
Calcasieu Parish

Dear Mr. Hoffeld:

The Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ), Business and Community Outreach Division has received your request for comments on the above referenced project.

After reviewing your request, the Department has no objections based on the information provided in your submittal. However, for your information, the following general comments have been included. Please be advised that if you should encounter a problem during the implementation of this project, you should immediately notify LDEQ's Single-Point-of-contact (SPOC) at (225) 219-3640.

- Please take any necessary steps to obtain and/or update all necessary approvals and environmental permits regarding this proposed project.
- If your project results in a discharge to waters of the state, submittal of a Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) application may be necessary.
- If the project results in a discharge of wastewater to an existing wastewater treatment system, that wastewater treatment system may need to modify its LPDES permit before accepting the additional wastewater.
- All precautions should be observed to control nonpoint source pollution from construction activities. LDEQ has stormwater general permits for construction areas equal to or greater than one acre. It is recommended that you

contact the LDEQ Water Permits Division at (225) 219-9371 to determine if your proposed project requires a permit.

- If your project will include a sanitary wastewater treatment facility, a Sewage Sludge and Biosolids Use or Disposal Permit application or Notice of Intent must be submitted no later than January 1, 2013. Additional information may be obtained on the LDEQ website at <http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2296/Default.aspx> or by contacting the LDEQ Water Permits Division at (225) 219- 9371.
- If any of the proposed work is located in wetlands or other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, you should contact the Corps directly regarding permitting issues. If a Corps permit is required, part of the application process may involve a water quality certification from LDEQ.
- All precautions should be observed to protect the groundwater of the region.
- Please be advised that water softeners generate wastewaters that may require special limitations depending on local water quality considerations. Therefore if your water system improvements include water softeners, you are advised to contact the LDEQ Water Permits to determine if special water quality-based limitations will be necessary.
- Any renovation or remodeling must comply with LAC 33:III.Chapter 28, Lead-Based Paint Activities; LAC 33:III.Chapter 27, Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools and State Buildings (includes all training and accreditation); and LAC 33:III.5151, Emission Standard for Asbestos for any renovations or demolitions.
- If any solid or hazardous wastes, or soils and/or groundwater contaminated with hazardous constituents are encountered during the project, notification to LDEQ's Single-Point-of-Contact (SPOC) at (225) 219-3640 is required. Additionally, precautions should be taken to protect workers from these hazardous constituents.

Currently, Calcasieu Parish is classified as attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards and has no general conformity determination obligations.

Please send all future requests to my attention. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (225) 219-3958 or by email at beth.dixon@la.gov.

Sincerely,



Beth Altazan-Dixon, EPS III
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LDEQ/Office of the Secretary
Business and Community Outreach and Incentives Division
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September 7, 2012

Ms. Elizabeth Beam
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.
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Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Re: I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish
State Project No. H.010151.2 / Federal Project No. H.010151

Dear Elizabeth,

We, the Southwest Louisiana Delegation, support Alternative 21b: Construct Tight Urban Diamond at Cove and Directional Diamond Interchange at Nelson as proposed by ARCADIS and ask that it is give full support and approval. We are

Yours very truly,

Ronnie Johns
State Senator

John Smith
State Senator

Chuck Kleckley
Speaker of the House

Dan W. Morrish
State Senator

Mike Danahay
State Representative

A.B. Franklin
State Representative

Brett Geymann
State Representative

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State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT

09/07/2012

ARCADIS U.S., INC.
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Attn: Elizabeth Beam

**RE: P20121193, Solicitation of Views
LA DOTD**

Description: Interstate 210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road Interchange improvement
Project. DOTD State Project No. H.010151.2.

Location: Project occurs in southwest Lake Charles.
Calcasieu Parish, LA

Dear Elizabeth Beam:

We have received your Solicitation of Views for the above referenced project, which has been found to be outside the Louisiana Coastal Zone. Therefore, pursuant to the provisions of LA R.S. 49:214.25.E, a Coastal Use Permit will not be required.

This determination is valid for two (2) years from the date of this letter. If the proposed activity is not initiated within this 2-year period, this determination will expire and the applicant will be required to submit a new application. Please note that your solicitation packet has not been forwarded to the USACE, or any other agency outside of OCM and the Parish local coastal program. If you would like a determination from other regulatory and/or resource agency(ies) regarding this project, please submit your request directly to that/those agency(ies) from which you would like a determination.

This determination has been made on the basis of information provided by your application. If it is later established that you furnished erroneous data, you may be directed to alter or modify your plans, to remove structures you have installed, and/or to restore the work area to pre-project conditions at your own expense. If it is established that you knowingly furnished erroneous data, you could also be subject to legal action.

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The drawings submitted with your referenced application are attached hereto and made a part of the record. If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact our office at (225) 342-7591 or (800) 267-4019.

Sincerely,



Karl L. Morgan
Administrator

Karl L. Morgan/cs

Attachments

Final Plats:

1) P20121193 Final Plats 08/24/2012

cc: Jessica Diez, OCM w/plats
Kaili Mills, CMD/FI w/plats
Calcasieu Parish w/plats

LADOTD w/plats

REC'D REGIONAL
FEMA REGIONAL

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Mr. Greg Solvey
FEMA Region VI
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Subject:

Solicitation of Views and Initiation of Section 106 Consultation
I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana
State Project No. H.010151.2 / Federal Agency Project No. H.010151

INFRASTRUCTURE

Dear Mr. Solvey:

Early in the planning process for a transportation facility, views from federal, state, and local agencies, organizations, and individuals are solicited. The special expertise of these groups can assist the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) with the identification of possible adverse economic, social, or environmental effects from the project or other related concerns and reach agreeable decisions while taking into account the interests of all parties.

Date:
22 August 2012

Contact:
Beth Beam

Extension:
215

Email:
elizabeth.beam@arcadis-us.com

In addition to identifying any concerns or issues as mentioned above, your consultation to address cultural and historic resource issues pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800) is also requested. Coastal Environments, Inc., will be conducting the cultural resources survey for the Interchange Improvement Project. If you know of another interested party or other potential Section 106 concerns, please advise us to that information as well.

Our ref:
LA003115.0001
ABMB/3115.1/C/1/kp

A project overview, project study area map, and figures of alternatives are attached for your review. We would also like to advise you that a stakeholders and elected officials meeting will be held in Lake Charles, Louisiana, on Tuesday, September 18, 2012, followed by a public meeting on the same day. Specific information regarding these meetings will be provided soon.

On behalf of LADOTD, ARCADIS U.S., Inc., requests that you review the attached information and furnish us with your views and comments by **Friday, September 21, 2012**. Replies should be sent to Elizabeth Beam by e-mail or by U.S. mail at the addresses provided. Please reference State Project No. H.010151.2 in your reply.

Sincerely,

ARCADIS U.S., Inc.


Scott L. Hoffeld, C.E.P.
Senior Project Manager

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
REGION VI
MITIGATION DIVISION

NOTICE REVIEW/ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTATION

We have no comments to offer. We offer the following comments:

WE WOULD REQUEST THAT THE PARISH FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR BE CONTACTED FOR THE REVIEW AND POSSIBLE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT. IF FEDERALLY FUNDED, WE WOULD REQUEST PROJECT TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH EO11988 & EO 11990.

Pam Mattingly
Asst. Planning Dir.
Calcasieu Parish
P.O. Drawer 3287
Lake Charles, LA 70602
337-721-3606
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REVIEWER:

Mayra G. Diaz
Floodplain Management and Insurance Branch
Mitigation Division
(940) 898-5541

DATE: August 29, 2012



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Mr. Brad Rieck
Deputy Supervisor – Lafayette Field Office
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
646 Cajundome Boulevard, Suite 400
Lafayette, LA 70506
Attn: Josh Marceaux

NOTE MAY CONTAIN WETLANDS
Contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
for a jurisdictional determination.

District: New Orleans, LA

Telephone No. 504-862-2274

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I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana
State Project No. H.010151.2 / Federal Agency Project No. H.010151

INFRASTRUCTURE

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Date:
22 August 2012

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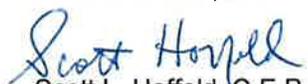
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Sincerely,

ARCADIS U.S., Inc.

Scott L. Hoffeld, C.E.P.
Senior Project Manager

This project has been reviewed for effects to Federal trust resources under our jurisdiction and currently protected by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act). The project, as proposed,
() Will have no effect on those resources
(x) Is not likely to adversely affect those resources.
This finding fulfills the requirements under Section 7(a)(2) of the Act.


Acting Supervisor
Louisiana Field Office
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Date: Sept 11, 2012

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United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

646 Cajundome Blvd.

Suite 400

Lafayette, Louisiana 70506

August 13, 2012

To Whom It May Concern,

The Louisiana Ecological Services Office of the Fish and Wildlife Service is pleased to announce the activation of our new online pre-development self-assessment tool. This new tool will allow project proponents the ability to self-assess their projects for potential impacts to federally listed threatened and endangered species. This online tool will provide instant feedback on whether a project does, or does not, have a potential to affect federally listed species. We believe that you will find this online tool helpful in meeting your environmental clearance needs.

In order to access this online tool, you will need to go to the following website address: <http://www.fws.gov/lafayette>. The environmental clearance application can be accessed by clicking on the yellow button entitled "Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Migratory Birds Treaty Act (MBTA) Project Review". This tool will query certain aspects about your proposed project so that you, acting as the representative for the Federal Action Agency, can render a decision on whether the project will result in a "No Effect" determination under the ESA or whether you will need to consult further with our office. If you determine through this process that the project has no effect on federally listed species, no further coordination with this office is required, and you will be given the option to generate an official pre-development document that records your "No Effect" determination. We recommend that you generate a report for your records. Although it is not required, you may also submit this report to our office. Providing our office with the report will allow us to document the ESA coordination should further inquiries ensue.

In addition to providing guidance on ESA coordination, the self-assessment tool provides MBTA guidance for cell tower projects. Because of the ephemeral nature of colonial nesting wading birds and shorebirds, we are not able to provide online clearance on those taxa. However, our website does provide suggested buffer distances should nesting colonies be encountered in the vicinity of the project area. A link is also provided to offer additional instructions in determining disturbance to nesting bald eagles. That information is found on our webpage under Migratory Birds or through the environmental clearance application.

United States Department of Agriculture



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September 13, 2012

Elizabeth Beam
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RE: Solicitation of Views and Initiation of Section 106 Consultation
I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana
State Project No. H.010151.2 / Federal Agency Project No. H.010151

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The project map submitted with your request indicates that the proposed construction areas are within urban areas and therefore is exempt from the rules and regulations of the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)—Subtitle I of Title XV, Section 1539-1549.

No identified cultural resources will be impacted by the above mentioned project.

For specific information about the soils found in the project area, please visit our Web Soil Survey at the following location:

<http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/>

Please direct all future correspondence to me at the address shown above.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin D. Norton".

Kevin D. Norton
State Conservationist

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STEPHEN CHUSTZ
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COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

September 13, 2012

TO: Ms. Elizabeth Beam
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RE: Solicitation of Views and Initiation of Section 106 Consultation
State Project No. H.010151.2
Federal Aid Project No. H.010151
1-210 Cove Lane/ Nelson Road
Interchange Improvement Project
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Beam:

In response to Mr. Scott L. Hoffeld's letter dated August 22, 2012, concerning the referenced matter, please be advised that the Office of Conservation collects and maintains many types of information regarding oil and gas exploration, production, distribution, and other data relative to the petroleum industry as well as related and non-related injection well information, surface mining and ground water information and other natural resource related data. Most information concerning oil, gas and injection wells for any given area of the state, including the subject area of your letter can be obtained through records search via the SONRIS data access application available at:

<http://www.dnr.louisiana.gov>

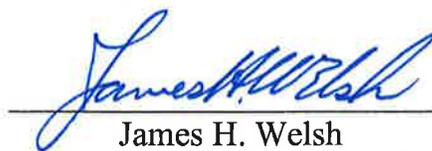
A review of our computer records for the referenced project area indicates that there are no oil, gas or injection wells located within or adjacent to the proposed project area. However, the DNR water well database indicates the possibility that there are registered water wells located in the vicinity of the project area. Additionally, there may be unregistered water wells in the area.

The Office of Conservation maintains records of all activities within its jurisdiction in paper, microfilm or electronic format. These records may be accessed during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, except on State holidays or emergencies that require the Office to be closed. Please call 225-342-5540 for specific contact information or for directions to the Office of Conservation, located in the LaSalle Building, 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. For pipelines and other underground hazards, please contact Louisiana One Call at 1-800-272-3020 prior to commencing operations. Should you need to direct your inquiry to any of our Divisions, you may use the following contact information:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone No.</u>	<u>E-mail Address</u>
Engineering	Jeff Wells	225-342-5638	jeff.wells@la.gov
Pipeline	Steven Giambrone	225-342-2989	steven.giambrone@la.gov
Injection & Mining	Laurence Bland	225-342-5515	laurence.bland@la.gov
Geological	Mike Kline	225-342-3335	mike.kline@la.gov
Environmental	Gary Snellgrove	225-342-7222	gary.snellgrove@la.gov

If you have difficulty in accessing the data via the referenced website because of computer related issues, you may obtain assistance from our technical support section by selecting Help on the SONRIS tool bar and submitting an email describing your problems and including a telephone number where you may be reached.

Sincerely,



James H. Welsh

ARR Commissioner of Conservation

JHW:MBK



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. BOX 60267
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Operations Division
Operations Manager,
Completed Works

Mr. Scott L. Hoffeld, C.E.P.
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Drive
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70816

Dear Mr. Hoffeld:

This is in response to your Solicitation of Views request dated August 22, 2012, on behalf of Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, concerning the I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana (State Project Number H.010151.2).

We have reviewed your request for potential Department of the Army regulatory requirements and impacts on any Department of the Army projects.

We do not anticipate any adverse impacts to any Corps of Engineers projects.

Based on review of recent maps, aerial photography, soils data, and previous determinations, we have determined that part of the property is wetland and subject to Corps of Engineers jurisdiction. A Department of the Army permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act will be required prior to the deposition or redistribution of dredged or fill material into this wetland. Additionally, Cline Canal and its adjacent wetlands are subject to Corps of Engineers jurisdiction under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. A DA Section 10 permit will be required prior to any work in these waters and wetlands.

You are advised that this approved jurisdictional determination is valid for a period of 5 years from the date of this letter unless new information warrants revision prior to the expiration date or the District Commander has identified, after public notice and comment, that specific geographic areas with rapidly changing environmental conditions merit re-verification on a more frequent basis.

Off-site locations of activities such as borrow, disposals, haul-and detour-roads and work mobilization site developments may be subject to Department of the Army regulatory requirements and may have an impact on a Department of the Army project.

You should apply for said permit well in advance of the work to be performed. The application should include sufficiently detailed maps, drawings, photographs, and descriptive text for accurate evaluation of the proposal.

Please contact Mr. Robert Heffner, of our Regulatory Branch by telephone at (504) 862-1288, or by e-mail at Robert.A.Heffner@usace.army.mil for questions concerning wetlands determinations or need for on-site evaluations. Questions concerning regulatory permit requirements may be addressed to Mr. Ronnie Duke by telephone at (504) 862-2261 or by e-mail at Ronnie.W.Duke@usace.army.mil.

Future correspondence concerning this matter should reference our account number MVN-2012-02140-SZ. This will allow us to more easily locate records of previous correspondence, and thus provide a quicker response.

Sincerely,



Karen L. Clement
Solicitation of Views Manager



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Office of Public Health

September 24, 2012

Elizabeth Beam
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Re: State Project No. H.010151.2: I-210 Cove Lane / Nelson Road interchange improvement project,
Calcasieu Parish.

This office is in receipt of a Solicitation of View regarding the above referenced project(s).

Based upon the information received from your office we have no objection to the referenced project(s) at this time. The applicant shall be aware of and comply with any and all applicable Louisiana State Sanitary Code regulations (LAC 51, as applicable). Furthermore, should additional project data become available to this office that in any way amend the information upon which this office's response has been based, we reserve the right of additional comment on the referenced project(s).

In the event of any future discovery of evidence of non-compliance with the Louisiana Administrative Code Title 51 (Public Health-Sanitary Code) and the Title 48 (Public Health-General) regulations or any applicable public health laws or statutes which may have escaped our awareness during the course of this cursory review, please be advised that this office's preliminary determination on this Solicitation of View of the project(s) shall not be construed as absolving the applicant of responsibility, if any, with respect to compliance with the Louisiana Administrative Code Title 51 (Public Health-Sanitary Code) and the Title 48 (Public Health-General) regulations or any other applicable public health laws or statutes.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johan Forsman".

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Date September 25, 2012

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Project 1-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Rd
Interchange Improvements Project
State Project No.010151.2

Project ID 3342012

Invoice Number 12092505

Personnel of the Habitat Section of the Coastal & Non-Game Resources Division have reviewed the preliminary data for the captioned project. After careful review of our database, no impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated for the proposed project. No state or federal parks, wildlife refuges, scenic streams, or wildlife management areas are known at the specified site within Louisiana's boundaries.

The Louisiana Natural Heritage Program (LNHP) has compiled data on rare, endangered, or otherwise significant plant and animal species, plant communities, and other natural features throughout the state of Louisiana. Heritage reports summarize the existing information known at the time of the request regarding the location in question. The quantity and quality of data collected by the LNHP are dependent on the research and observations of many individuals. In most cases, this information is not the result of comprehensive or site-specific field surveys; many natural areas in Louisiana have not been surveyed. This report does not address the occurrence of wetlands at the site in question. Heritage reports should not be considered final statements on the biological elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. LNHP requires that this office be acknowledged in all reports as the source of all data provided here. If at any time Heritage tracked species are encountered within the project area, please contact the LNHP Data Manager at 225-765-2643. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please call 225-765-2357.

Sincerely,

for 
Amity Bass, Coordinator
Natural Heritage Program



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TO: Ms. Elizabeth Beam, AICP, Arcadis U.S., Inc.

FROM: Les Farnum, President *LF/KS*
Calcasieu Parish Police Jury

DATE: October 4, 2012

RE: Alternate 21b Improvements for State Project No. H.010151.2

Enclosed is a certified copy of a resolution which was adopted by the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury on September 20, 2012, wherein the Police Jury expresses favor of constructing Alternate 21b of the Louisiana Department of Transportation's I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Road Improvements Project (State Project No. H.010151.2), as recommended by the Parish Engineer, and consideration to be given to described routes as outlined within.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Tim Conner, Parish Engineer, at (337) 721-4100 if you have any questions or want additional information.

ars/s

Enclosure

PARISH OF  CALCASIEU
State of Louisiana
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICE JURY OF CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA, in Regular Session convened on the 20th day of September, 2012, that it does hereby express its position of being in favor of constructing Alternate 21b of the Louisiana Department of Transportation's I-210 Cove Lane to Nelson Road Improvements Project (State Project No. H.010151.2), as recommended by the Parish Engineer, with consideration to be given to the following:

- (1.1) Restrict truck traffic from exiting at the Cove Lane interchange south through a predominantly residential area;
- (1.2) Shift the roundabout on West Prien Lake Road east to the intersection of Holly Hill Road, which improves the alignment of the relocated West Prien Lake Road;
- (1.3) Maximize the clearance under the bridge over the bayou north of the Cove Lane interchange for future development of the waterfront for recreational boating; and
- (1.4) Provide access onto the westbound on-ramp at Nelson Road from L'Auberge Avenue to reduce the number of vehicles entering the Nelson Road/West Prien Lake Road intersection.

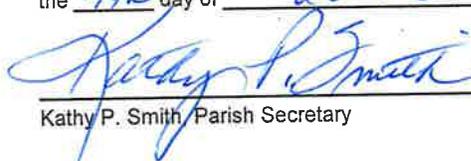
BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

THUS PASSED AND ADOPTED on the date above inscribed.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original resolution as adopted by the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury in Regular Session convened on the 20th day of September, 2012.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the seal of the Parish of Calcasieu, Louisiana, on this the 4th day of October, 2012.


Kathy P. Smith, Parish Secretary



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SHERRI H. LEBAS, P.E.
SECRETARY

October 22, 2012

STATE PROJECT NO.: H.010151.2
F.A.P. NO.: H.010151
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: I-210 COVE LANE/NELSON ROAD
INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
ROUTE: I-210 COVE LANE/NELSON ROAD
PARISH: CALCASIEU
LA003115.0001

Ms. Elizabeth Beam
Arcadis U.S. Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Subject: Solicitation of Views

Dear Ms. Beam:

The above mentioned study area covers a large area which includes the City of Lake Charles and the unincorporated area of Calcasieu Parish.

During and after the project, consideration must be given for the occurrence of a base flood inundation. At this time, consideration should also be given to the responsibility for clearing debris and keeping the area cleared so as not to interfere with its function.

In order to assure compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and ensure that appropriate permits are obtained, please contact the floodplain administrator for City of Lake Charles and Calcasieu Parish. The contact persons are listed respectively: Mr. Doug Burguières, P.O. Box 900, Lake Charles, LA 70602 and telephone no. 337-491-1395, Ms. Pam Mattingly, P.O. Drawer 3287, Lake Charles, LA 70602 and telephone no. 337-721-3600.

We thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project. If you need additional information, please contact our office, (225) 379-3005.

Sincerely,

[Susan Veillon](#)

Susan Veillon, CFM
Floodplain Management Program Coordinator

pc: Mr. Doug Burguières
Ms. Pam Mattingly, CFM