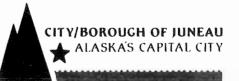
MEMORANDUM

CITY/BOROUGH OF JUNEAU 155 South Seward Street, Juneau, Alaska 99801

DATE:	August 8, 2013
TO:	Planning Commission
FROM:	Ben Lyman, Senior Planner Bigger Community Development Department
FILE NO.:	CSP2013 0016
PROPOSAL:	Widen and rehabilitate separated shared use path along Mendenhall Loop Road.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant:	State of Alaska DOT & PF
Property Owner:	State of Alaska DOT & PF
Property Address:	Mendenhall (Back) Loop Road Mile Post 0.0 to 3.98
Parcel Code No.:	0
Site Size:	5,099 feet in length; paving 10 feet wide
Zoning:	Collector Street
Utilities:	Public
Access:	Mendenhall Loop Road
Existing Land Use:	Transportation Corridor



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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A	Application
Attachment B	July 18, 2013 Scoping Update letter
Attachment C	Email correspondence between Kirk Duncan & John Kern

BACKGROUND

Mendenhall Loop Road is a collector street, known locally as the "Back Loop Road" within the project area, which extends from the driveway to Mendenhall River Community School in the west to the intersection with Glacier Spur Road to the east. The proposed project would rehabilitate the existing eight-foot-wide separated path on the south side of Mendenhall Loop Road to meet current national standards in terms of width (10 feet) and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Drainage improvements and ADA-compliant ramps to a Capital Transit bus stop are also proposed.

Mendenhall Loop Road experiences vehicular volumes of approximately 5,000 Average Daily Traffic (ADT) in the project area, and is owned and maintained by the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF).

CBJ 49.15.580 State project review:

The commission shall review proposed Alaska State Capital Improvement Projects for consistency with this title pursuant to AS 35.30.010, and may impose conditions on and modifications to such projects.

ANALYSIS

The applicant proposes to rehabilitate a shared-use path and to bring it up to local, state, and national standards in terms of width and grade. This project is likely to cause impacts to the community in terms of traffic flow and construction noise during construction, but no changes to turning movements are proposed with this project. Signs in the project area will be replaced and/or relocated as needed.

According to the July 18, 2013 letter from Jane Gendron (DOT&PF SE Region Environmental Manager)(Attachment B), the project was originally scoped as including a new Capital Transit bus stop and shelter "near Mint Way or Glendale Street", "the following activities have since been added to the project scope:

- Construct an ADA accessible ramp to the bus shelter from the shared use path
- Omit the previously proposed new bus shelter and its concrete pad between Mint Way and Glendale Street; the structure is to be constructed by City and Borough

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of Juneau" [emphasis added]

Given that DOT&PF has taken a very strict stance on where bus shelters may be installed by the City and Borough of Juneau, that the City and Borough of Juneau has not agreed to take on the responsibility of constructing the bus shelter or pad that is mentioned above, and that the CBJ has no funds allocated for the construction of this shelter or pad, both Capital Transit and Engineering Department staff oppose the project modification regarding the transit stop described above. Additionally, if DOT&PF constructs the ADA ramps as proposed, but does not construct the pad, the functionality of the ramps in providing ADA-compliant access to the bus stop will be negatively impacted. Riders will have to navigate from the paved ramps onto an unpaved waiting and loading area. Accordingly, staff recommends that a condition be placed on the finding of consistency with locally-adopted plans that would require DOT&PF to construct a pad at the bus stop location, connecting the ADA access ramps to the paved roadway and providing a complete ADA-compliant route between the bus and the separated path. Furthermore, staff recommends that due to historical problems with obtaining Right-of-Way permits from DOT&PF, a permit for the proposed bus shelter be issued by DOT&PF to the CBJ/Capital Transit prior to construction of the ADA ramps or bus shelter pad; this will ensure that the CBJ will be allowed to install a shelter in this location when funding for that shelter becomes available.

CONFORMITY WITH ADOPTED PLANS

The proposed project was reviewed for conformance with the following CBJ-adopted plans:

Comprehensive Plan (2008) Non-Motorized Transportation Plan (2009) (NMTP) Area-Wide Transportation Plan (2001) (AWTP) CBJ 42.20 Offenses Against the Public Order CBJ 49.70.310 Habitat CBJ 72.17 Street Closure Permits

Comprehensive Plan:

POLICY 8.2 IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CBJ TO PROMOTE AND FACILITATE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES TO PRIVATE VEHICLES AS A MEANS OF REDUCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION, AIR POLLUTION AND THE CONSUMPTION OF FOSSIL FUELS, AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND HEALTHY MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO ALL PEOPLE.

Development Guidelines

8.2.DG1 Require sidewalks and bicycle paths or lanes along newly constructed arterial

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and collector streets where appropriate, and provide or work with DOT to provide such amenities along existing roads to provide safe and efficient access and recreation and to reduce pedestrian/automobile conflicts.

8.2.IA3 Implement the pedestrian and non-motorized improvements called for in the Area Wide Transportation Plan as funding becomes available. Where there is a public need for those improvements in the immediate future, actively pursue the funding needed to complete those improvements.

8.2.IA4 Work with the Juneau School District and other agencies to identify opportunities for improved pedestrian and bicycle access to schools.

POLICY 8.3 IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CBJ TO RESPOND TO THE SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF EACH SUBAREA OF THE CBJ AND TO INTEGRATE THEM INTO A CBJ-WIDE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN. THIS SYSTEM SHOULD SEEK TO REDUCE THE CONSUMPTION OF FOSSIL FUELS BY FACILITATING EFFICIENT ROUTES OF TRAVEL, CONVENIENT AND RAPID TRANSIT, AND SAFE MOTORIZED- AND NON-MOTORIZED TRAVELWAYS.

8.3.IA13 Implement the subarea improvements for the Mendenhall Valley and Auke Bay called for in the Area Wide Transportation Plan as funding becomes available. Where there is a public need for those improvements in the immediate future, actively pursue the funding needed to complete those improvements.

Guidelines and Considerations for Subarea 4:

9. Consider the transportation improvements for this subarea discussed in Chapter 8 of this Plan and provide for pedestrian and bicycle access to schools, parks and shopping areas.

11. Drainage problems exist in the central East Mendenhall Valley. Incremental additions to a storm drain system are being made or are in the planning stages...

13. Identify historic and cultural resources within the subarea. Projects that may impact historic resources identified within this subarea are to be reviewed by the Historic Resources Advisory Committee (HRAC) prior to issuance of a permit. Where new historic or cultural resources are discovered or identified, the Juneau-Douglas City Museum should be contacted immediately for documentation and technical assistance toward preservation and/or curating of the resource. The demolition or removal of historic resources should be avoided and should only occur when no other option for its preservation or relocation to a suitable site exists.

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Non-Motorized Transportation Plan (NMTP):

The project area includes improvement #43 in the NMTP, which calls for installing a pedestrianactivated crosswalk [signal] and improved signage and pavement markings, as well as initiation of a Safe Routes to Schools program at Mendenhall River School. These improvements are beyond the scope of the reconstruction project.

This project relates to Improvement #7 for Mendenhall River Community School in the Juneau Safe Routes to Schools Plan:

"Identify traffic gaps during arrival and dismissal times on Mendenhall Loop Road near Mint Way. If results in combination with other factors warrant, add a separated path or sidewalk on the north side of Mendenhall Loop Road from Mendenhall Loop Road/Glacier Spur Road to Montana Creek Road and add a pedestrian activated signalized crosswalk and School Zone at the intersection of Mint Way (or Glendale Road) and Mendenhall Loop Road.

"This is warranted because children living on the north side of Mendenhall Loop Road and in the Threadneedle area are close to Mendenhall River Community School yet have no way to walk or cross safely. According to the 2010 census there are 42 families with children under age 18 living in these two areas within the Mendenhall River School attendance area. Students from these areas as well as the Montana Creek neighborhoods need to cross safely to get to Floyd Dryden Middle School.

"There have been three pedestrian/vehicle accidents on this stretch of road and a fatality slightly west on Steelhead and Mendenhall Loop Road. Parents commented on the need for safe crossing of Mendenhall Loop Road and support adding pedestrian crossing improvements.

"Mendenhall Loop Road and Mint Way are urban collector roads. The AADT on this section of Mendenhall Loop Road is between 4,788 and 5,274; Mint Way has an AADT of 1,919. According to Alaska Traffic Manual Supplement to MUTCD, Table 7A-101, if traffic gaps are not adequate to support safe crossing and other criteria are met this would qualify for pedestrian signal, refuge, or grade separation if other criteria are met. According to that publication's Table 3B-101 this crossing is not a crosswalk candidate due to the high speed limit, but would be if a pedestrian activated signalized crossing and School Zone were added." (page 59)

A new separated path on the north side of Mendenhall Loop Road, a pedestrian-activated signal, and creation of a school zone are all out of the scope of the proposed project.

During environmental scoping for the project, CBJ staff identified a gap in the recreational trail system that could connect North Riverside Drive to the separated path that will be rehabilitated

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in this project. CBJ agencies may work to close this gap by re-opening a historical trail that once connected North Riverside Drive to the Mendenhall Loop Road in the future. At CBJ request, DOT&PF incorporated a connection to this trail in the proposed project; this connection is shown on sheet F9 of the application.

Area Wide Transportation Plan (AWTP):

Area Wide Priority Solutions

5 Enhanced [Safe] Routes to Schools Program Fund enhanced [safe] routes to schools program to construct sidewalks and/or bicycle and pedestrian routes from neighborhoods to schools. Near-term

CBJ 49, the Land Use Code:

As a pavement widening and rehabilitation project, the proposed project will necessarily result in inconveniences for many residents and visitors to the project area. CBJ staff expects that the contractor awarded the project by DOT&PF will need to use heavy machinery in the course of the project, that lane closures and traffic revisions will be required in the course of the project, and that some portion of the project may be completed at night in order to avoid or minimize impacts to traffic during peak hours. Although it is a provision in local ordinance, and therefore applies to the project whether a condition to its effect is required or not, staff recommends that an advisory condition reiterating the provisions of CBJ 42.20.095(b) be placed on the finding of local concurrence so as to ensure that the prohibition against use of heavy construction equipment during specified hours is not a surprise to the contractor:

CBJ 42.20.095(b) *Construction of buildings and projects.* It is unlawful to operate any pile driver, power shovel, pneumatic hammer, derrick, power hoist, or similar heavy construction equipment, before 7:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or before 9:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, unless a permit shall first be obtained from the City and Borough building official. Such permit shall be issued by the building official only upon a determination that such operation during hours not otherwise permitted under this section is necessary and will not result in unreasonable disturbance to surrounding residents.

Capital City Fire/Rescue staff have expressed concern that they have not been notified of street closures and traffic revisions, which could have serious consequences in the event of an emergency requiring access through or within the project area. Staff recommends that an advisory condition alerting the project contractor to notify both the Juneau Police Department and Capital City Fire/Rescue prior to modifying traffic patterns be placed on the finding of consistency with locally adopted plans.

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HABITAT

The proposed project does not affect wetlands, anadromous streams, or other habitat.

FINDINGS

The project would widen the existing separated shared-use path on the south side of the Mendenhall Loop Road between the driveway for Mendenhall River Community School and the intersection with Glacier Spur Road from eight feet to 10 feet, as well as bringing the trail and access to a bus stop up to ADA standards. Drainage improvements and relocated or replaced signage will also be included in the project. The project does not include a pad at the top of the ADA access ramps between the separated path and the bus stop between Mint Way and Glendale Street, which will create an ADA compliance issue between the tops of the ramps and where the rider boards or alights from the bus. Due to concerns regarding whether or not DOT&PF would issue a permit for a bus shelter in this location, staff further recommends that a condition requiring DOT&PF to issue a permit for the shelter to be in this location prior to commencing construction be placed on the finding of consistency with locally adopted plans.

The project is consistent with CBJ 49 and the plans adopted therein, with the recommended conditions placed upon it.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission find the proposed project, widening the separated shared-use path and making improvements to ADA compliance and drainage in the project area, consistent with CBJ 49 and the plans adopted therein, with the following condition:

1. The applicant shall construct a pad for a future bus shelter where the proposed ADA accessible ramps access the road. A permit allowing the CBJ to construct a shelter over the pad at a future date, when funding allows, shall be issued prior to the commencement of construction on this project. If the bus stop must be relocated in order for this permit to be issued, the ADA accessible ramps and bus stop location shall be modified so that a permit for the shelter's placement in the vicinity of its current location can be issued; any relocation of the bus stop must be agreed to by Capital Transit.

Staff further recommends that two advisory conditions be placed on the finding of consistency in order to provide all possible notice to the applicant and the project contractor that a construction noise permit will be required for heavy equipment work during night-time hours as provided at CBJ 42.20.095(b), and that notice must be provided to JPD and to CCF/R prior to any street

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closures.

Advisory Condition:

- 1. CBJ 42.20.095(b) Construction of buildings and projects. It is unlawful to operate any pile driver, power shovel, pneumatic hammer, derrick, power hoist, or similar heavy construction equipment, before 7:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or before 9:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, unless a permit shall first be obtained from the City and Borough building official. Such permit shall be issued by the building official only upon a determination that such operation during hours not otherwise permitted under this section is necessary and will not result in unreasonable disturbance to surrounding residents.
- 2. At least three business days prior to any traffic revision or road closure of any public street or portion thereof, the contractor shall provide written notification of the traffic revision plan to the CBJ Fire Marshall and Chief of Police. Failure to provide such notice may result in suspension of any CBJ-issued permits for such work, and is punishable by fine as an unlawful street closure under CBJ 72.17.010.

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Attachment A

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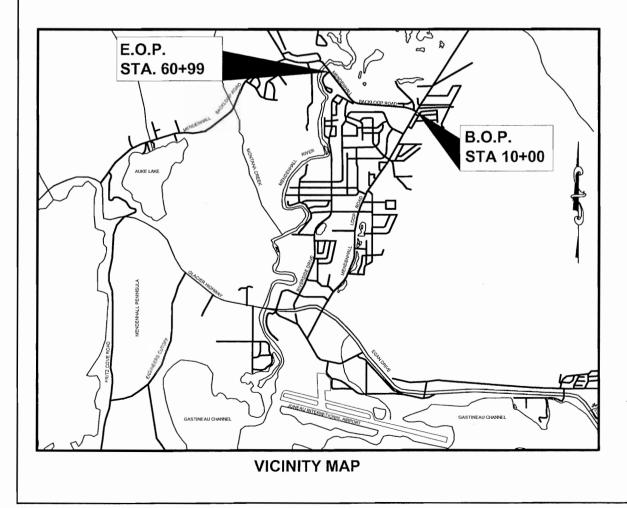
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JUNEAU, ALASKA

BACKLOOP SHARED USE PATH REHABILITATION PROJECT No. TEA-0966(27)~69917



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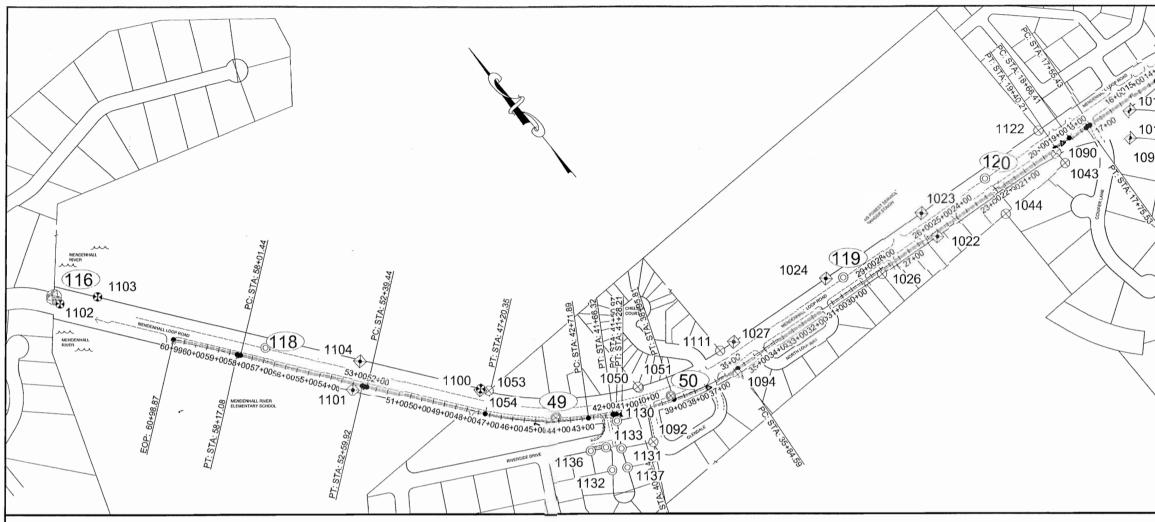
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HORIZONTAL CONTROL

Horizontal Control for this project is based on the DOT/PF 2000 Juneau Grid

The DOT/PF Juneau Grid-2000 System is a local ground coordinate system based at USC&GS first order control station EDDIE. It relates to AKSPC zone 1 NAD83 (1992) through the following parameters: Zone = NAD83 (1992) AKSPC ZONE 1 Grid Scale = 0.999928875 Convergence = $-0^{\circ}45'27.26''$ Translation about USC&GS point EDDIE as follows: AKSPC Northing = 2383469.17310 FT US AKSPC Easting = 2512570.06318 FT US Local Northing = 500000.0000 FT US Local Easting = 500000.0000 FT US

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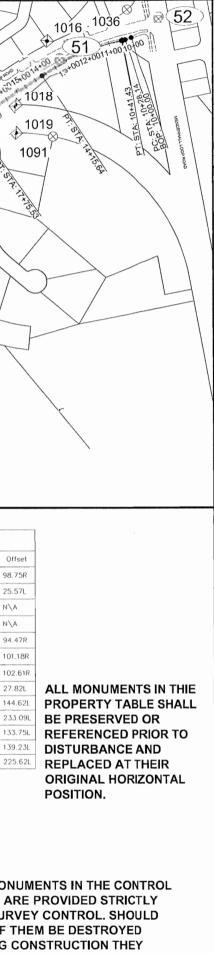
VERTICAL CONTROL

The Vertical Datum for JNU Grid-2000 is MLLW Gastineau Channel tidal datum based on third order differential levels and supplemented with GEOID '99 modeled orthometric heights. The tidal epoch is 1960-1978, but this epoch has keen updated with a 5 year observation period from Jan '94 to Dec '98 published Nov '99. The latest NOS publication (10-2011) on the 1983-2001 tidal epoch indicates the datum has risen 0.32'.

The Project Specific Basis of Vertical Control is point #116 a 3.5" BC set in the Mendenhall River Bridge in the Northwest corner of the sidewalk on the North side of the Backloop Road. control point 116 has an observed elevaion of 72.00 feet above MLLW.

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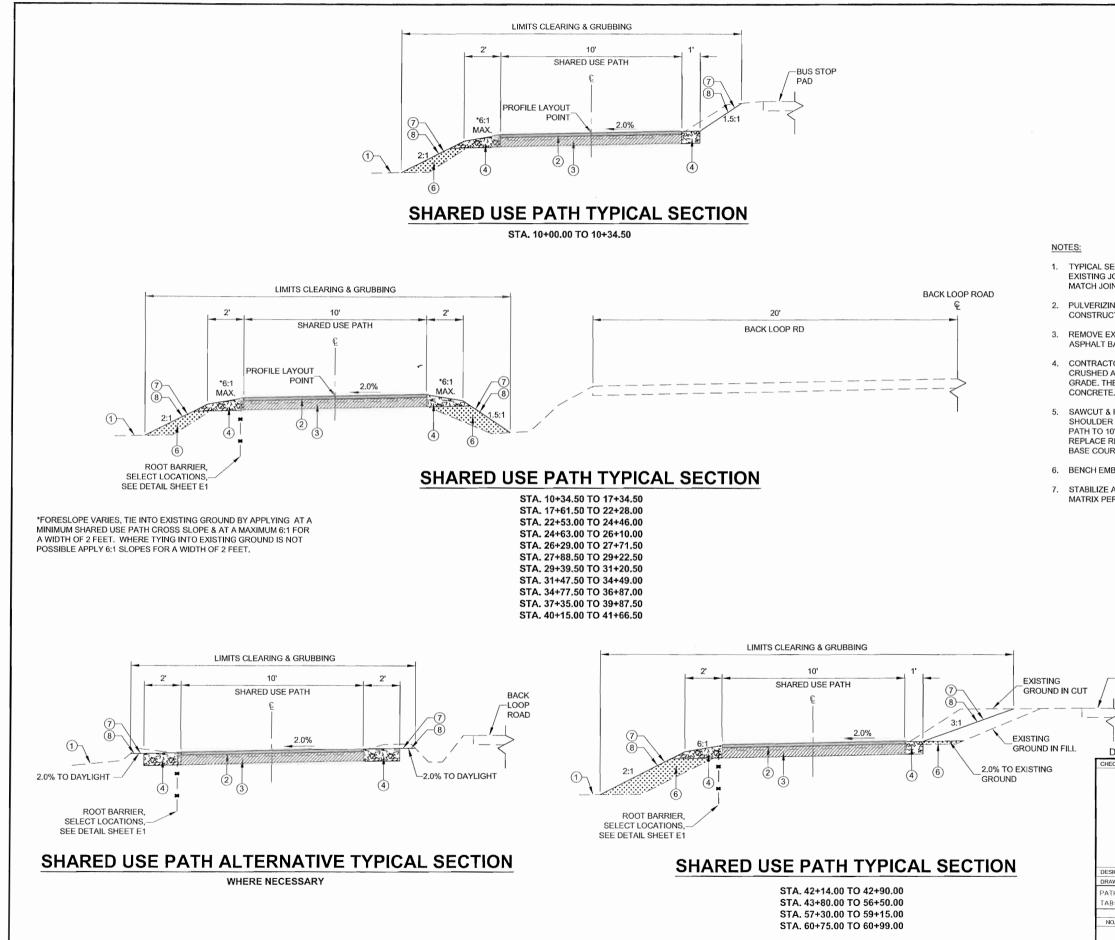


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- ③ 6" CRUSHED ASPHALT BASE COURSE (CABC)
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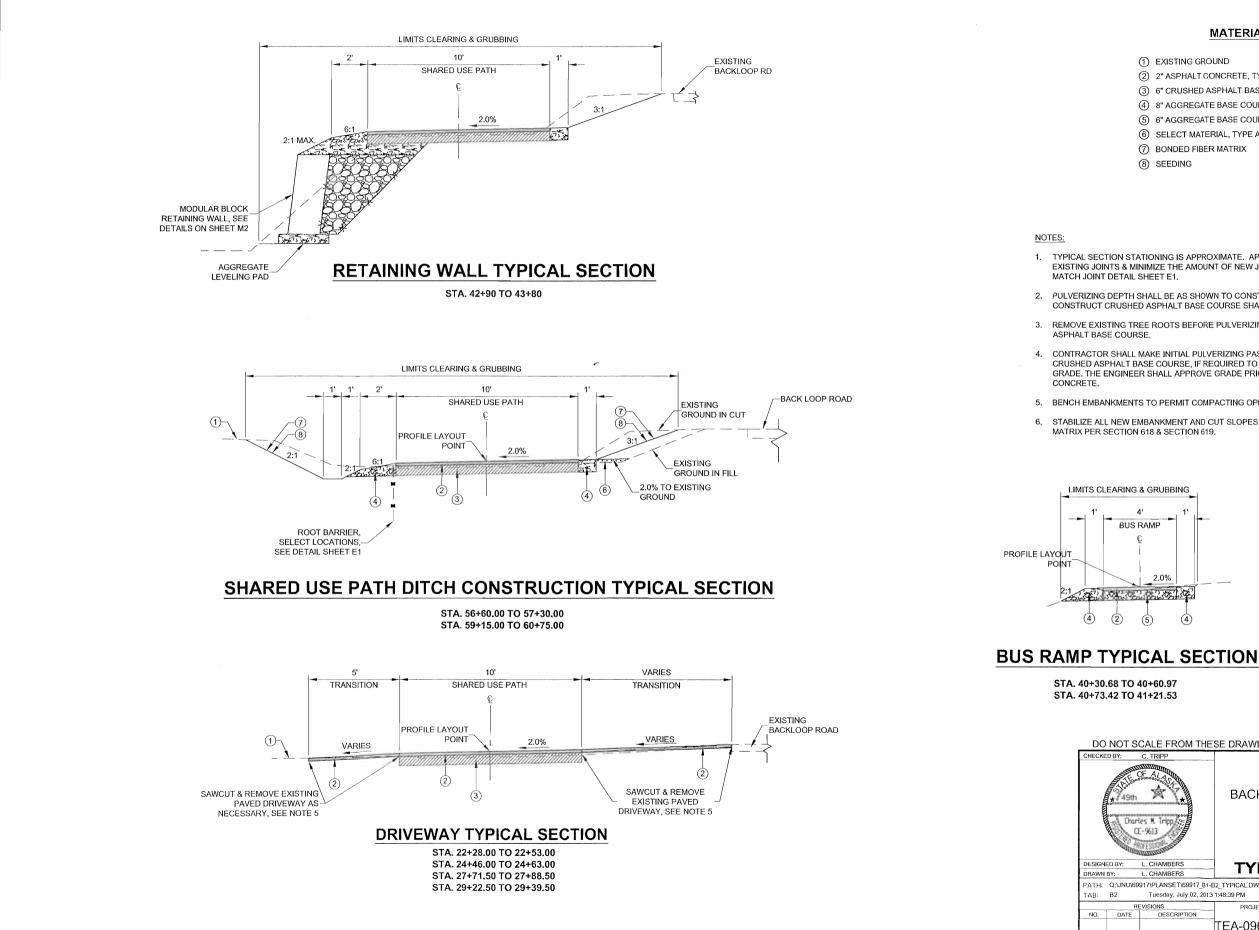
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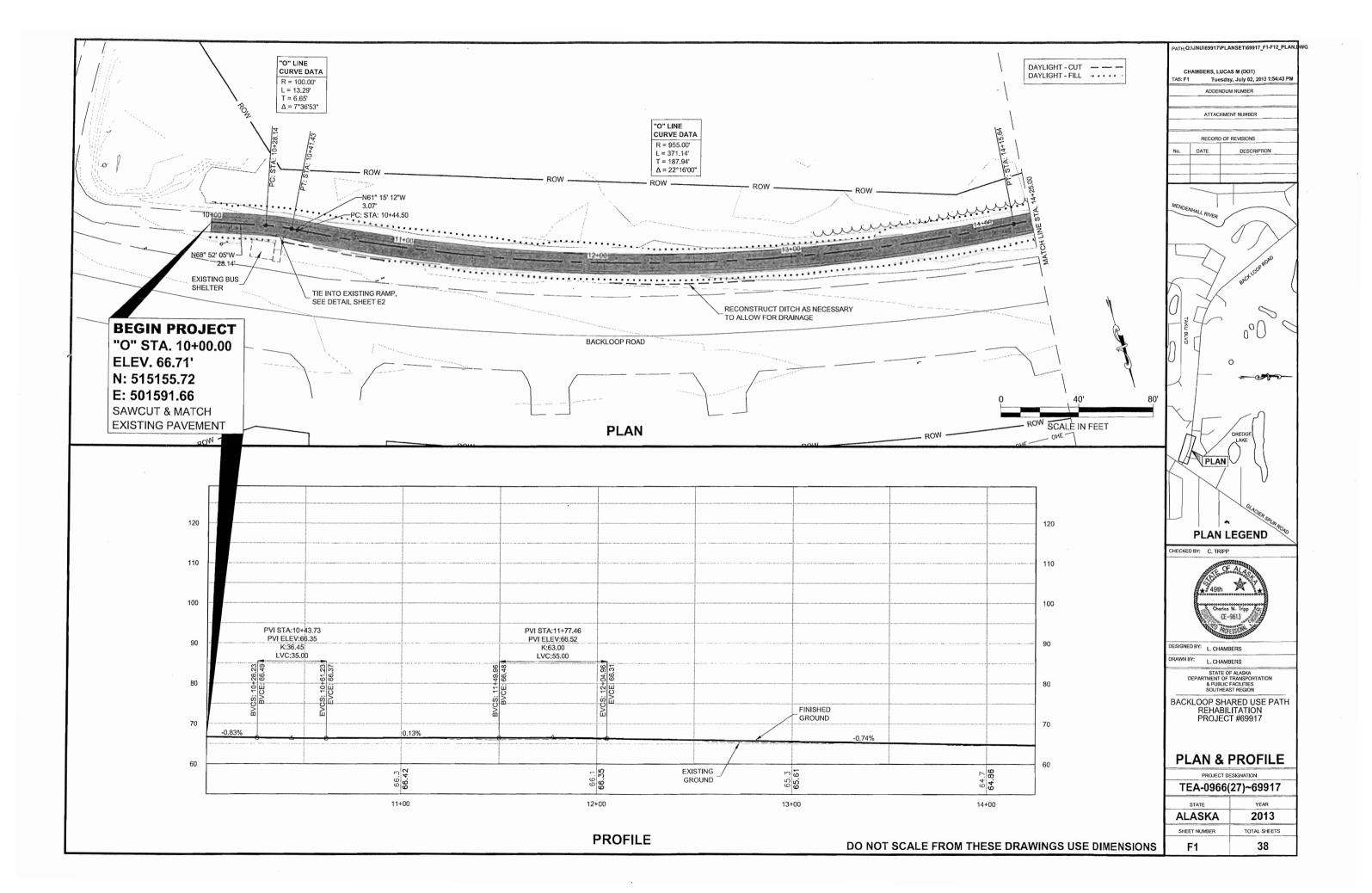
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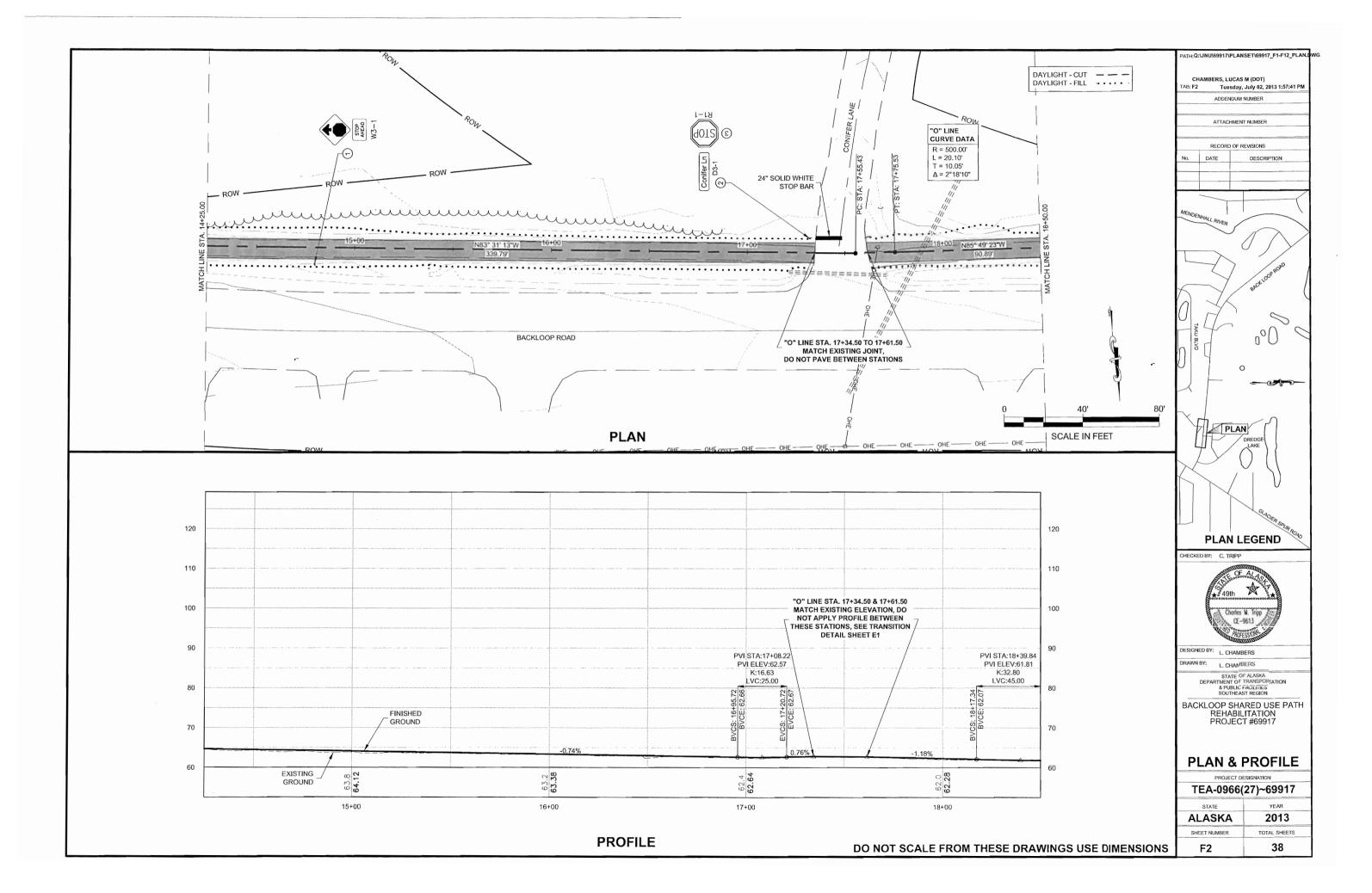
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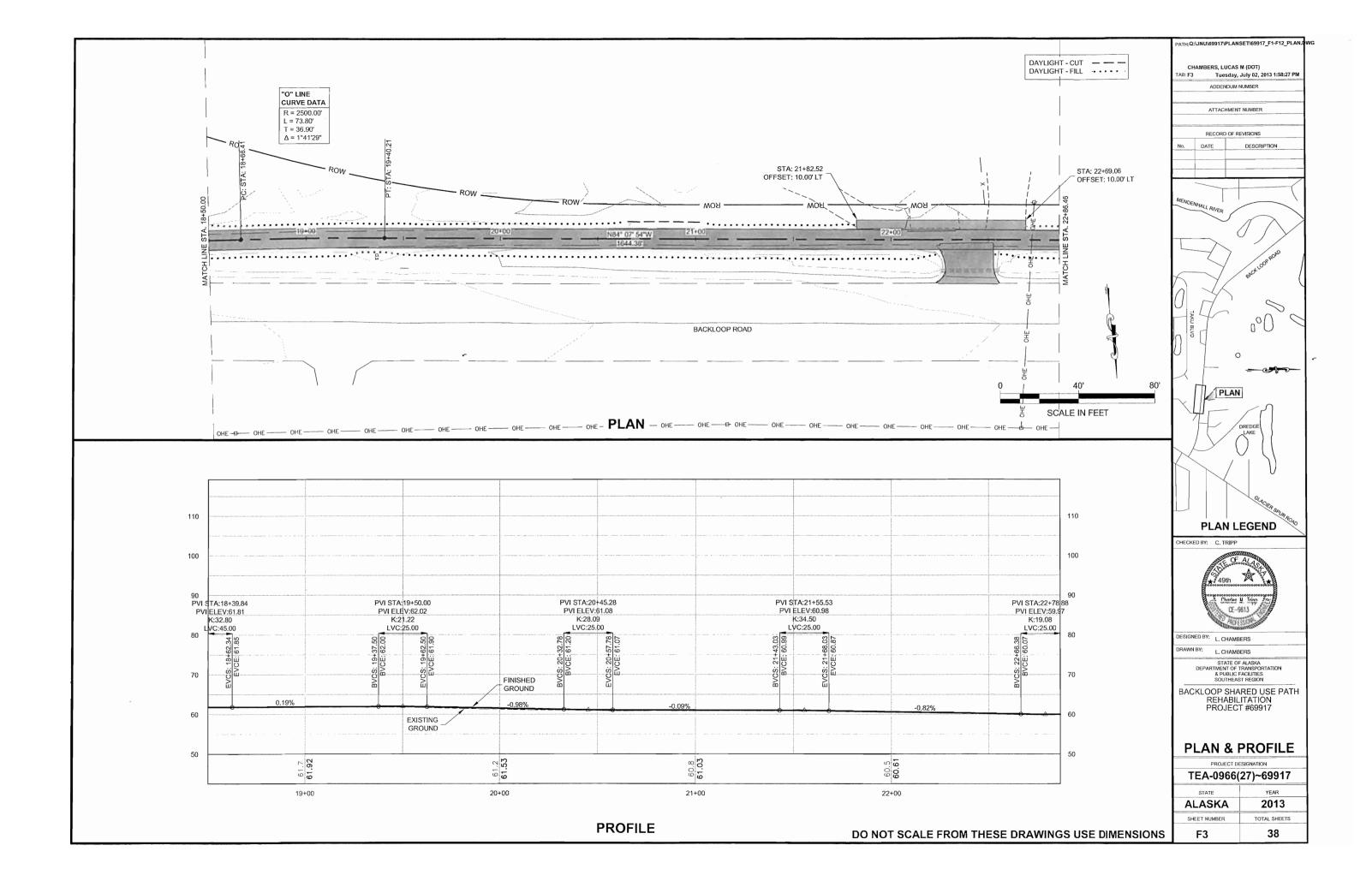
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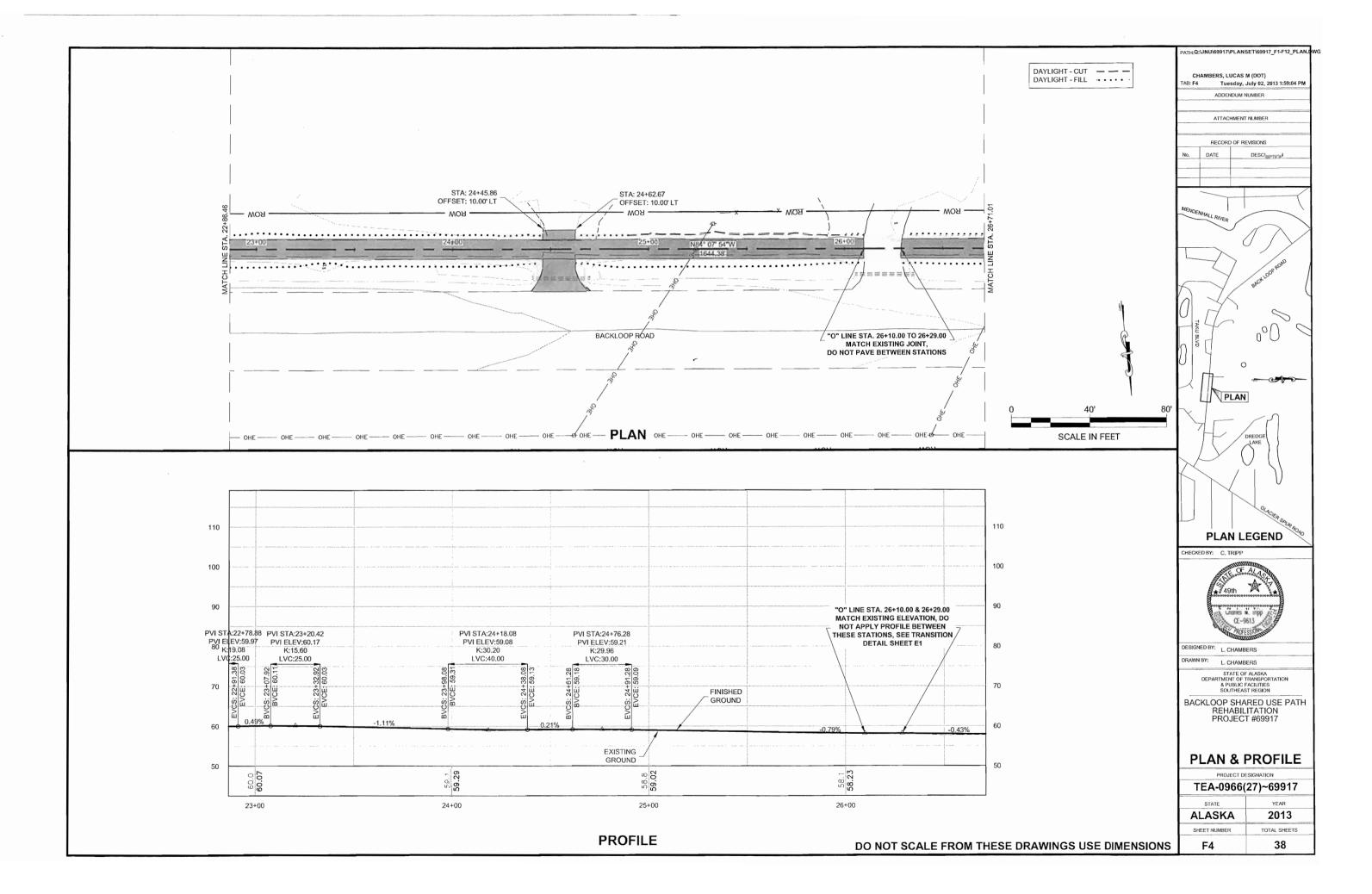
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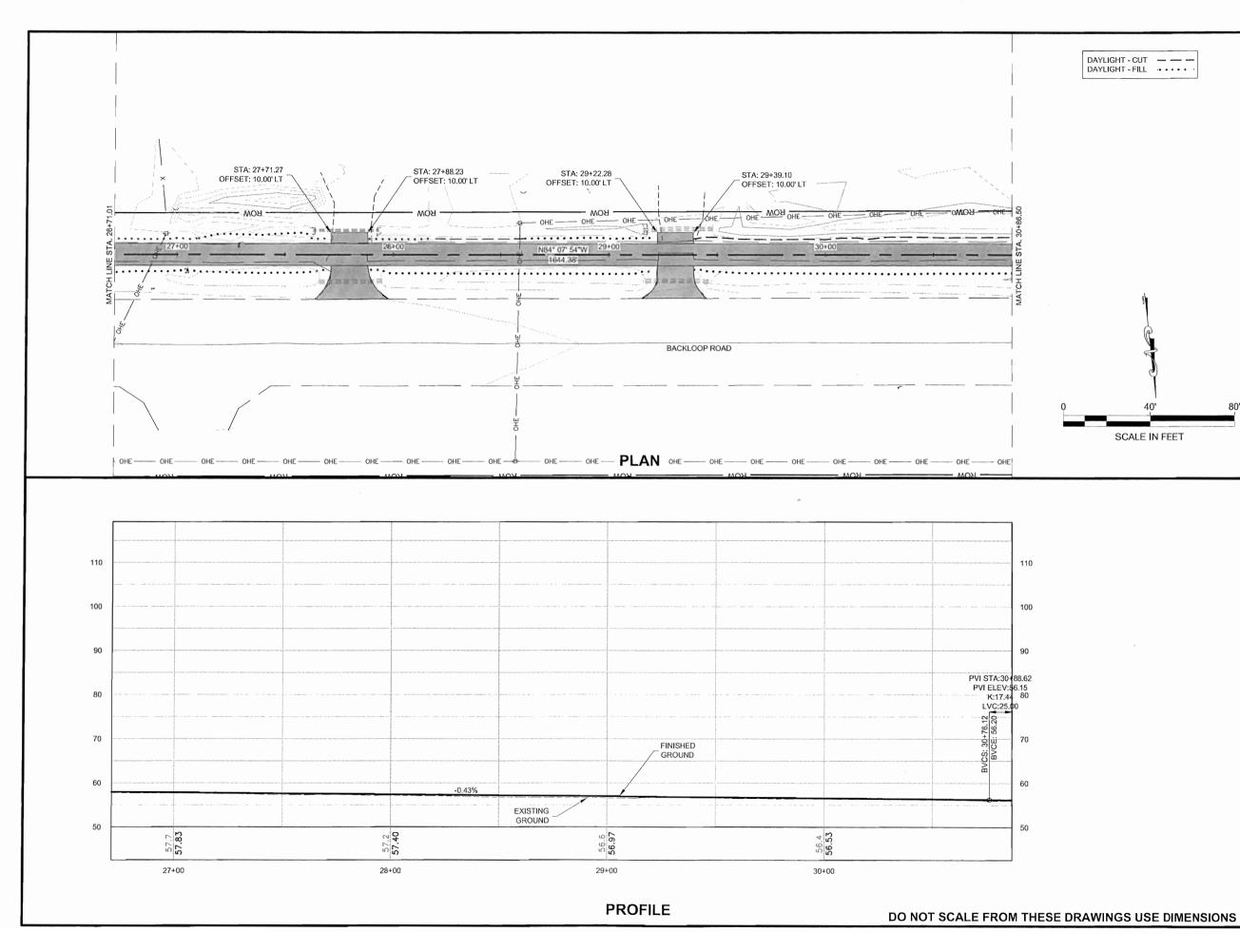
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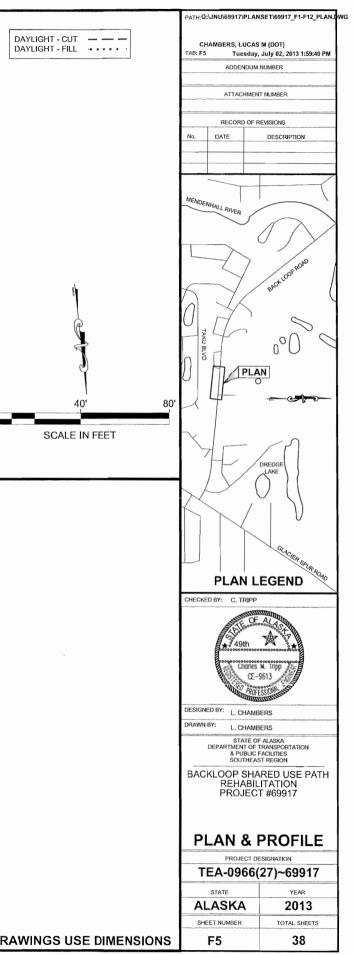


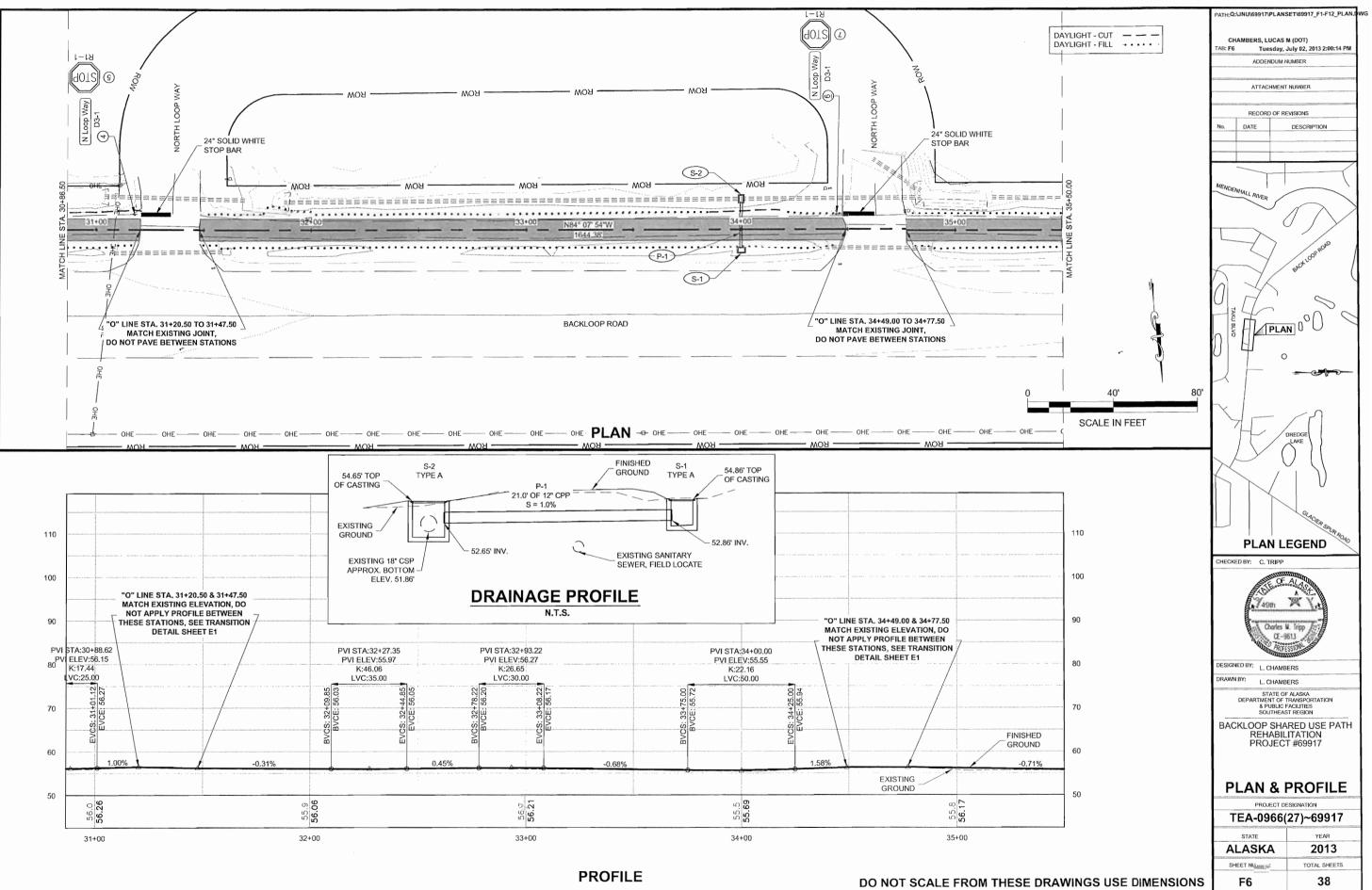


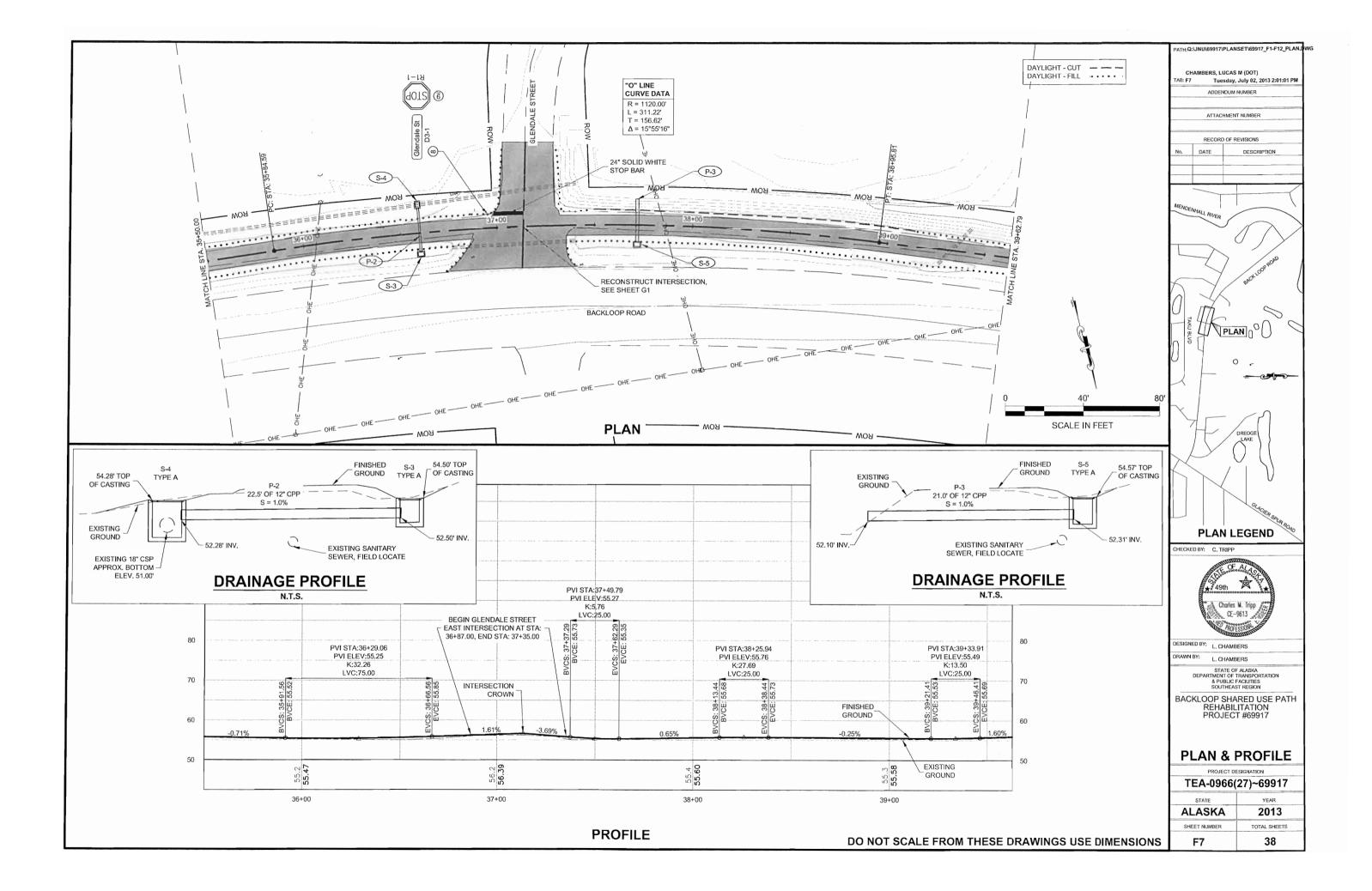


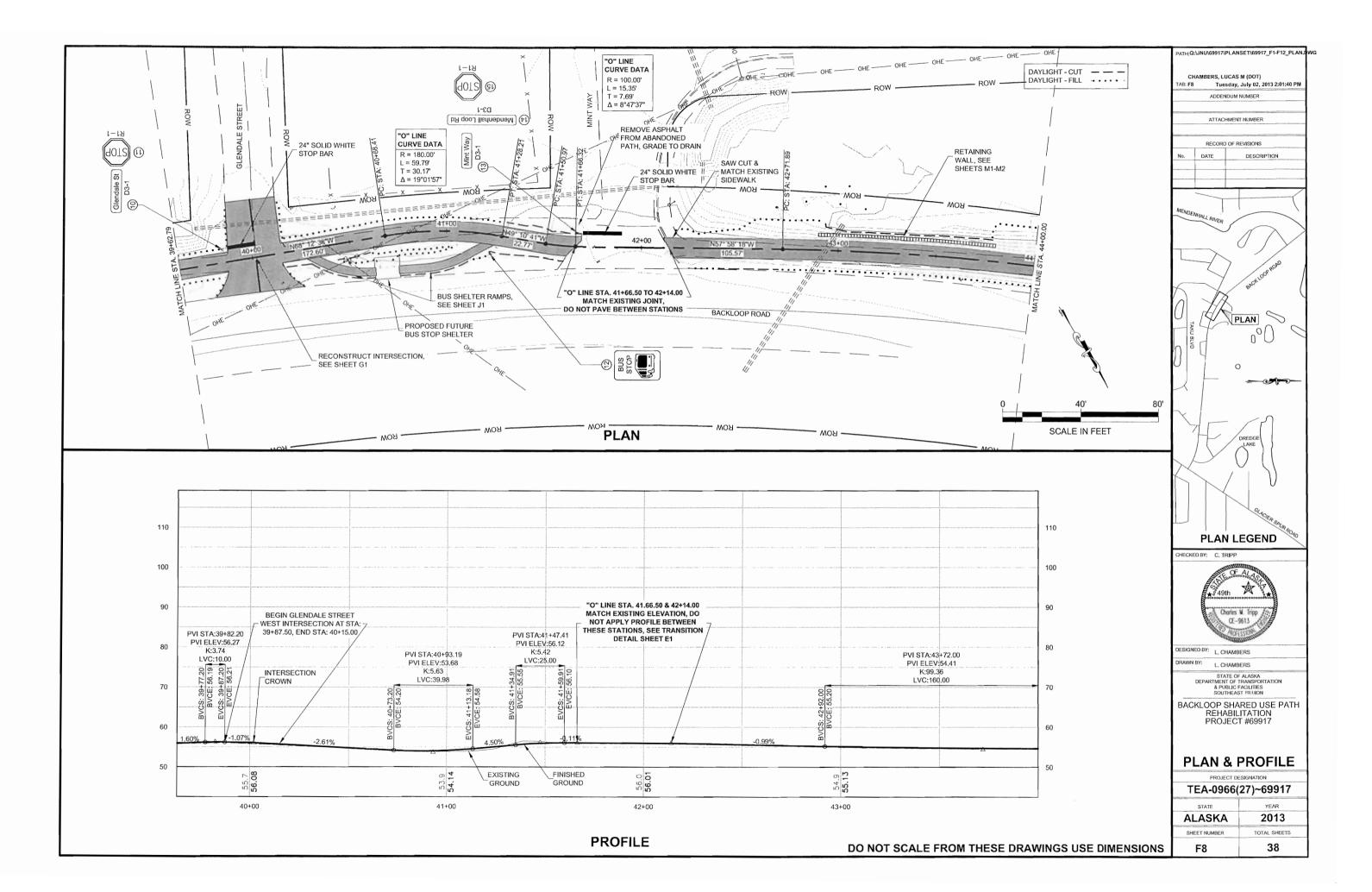


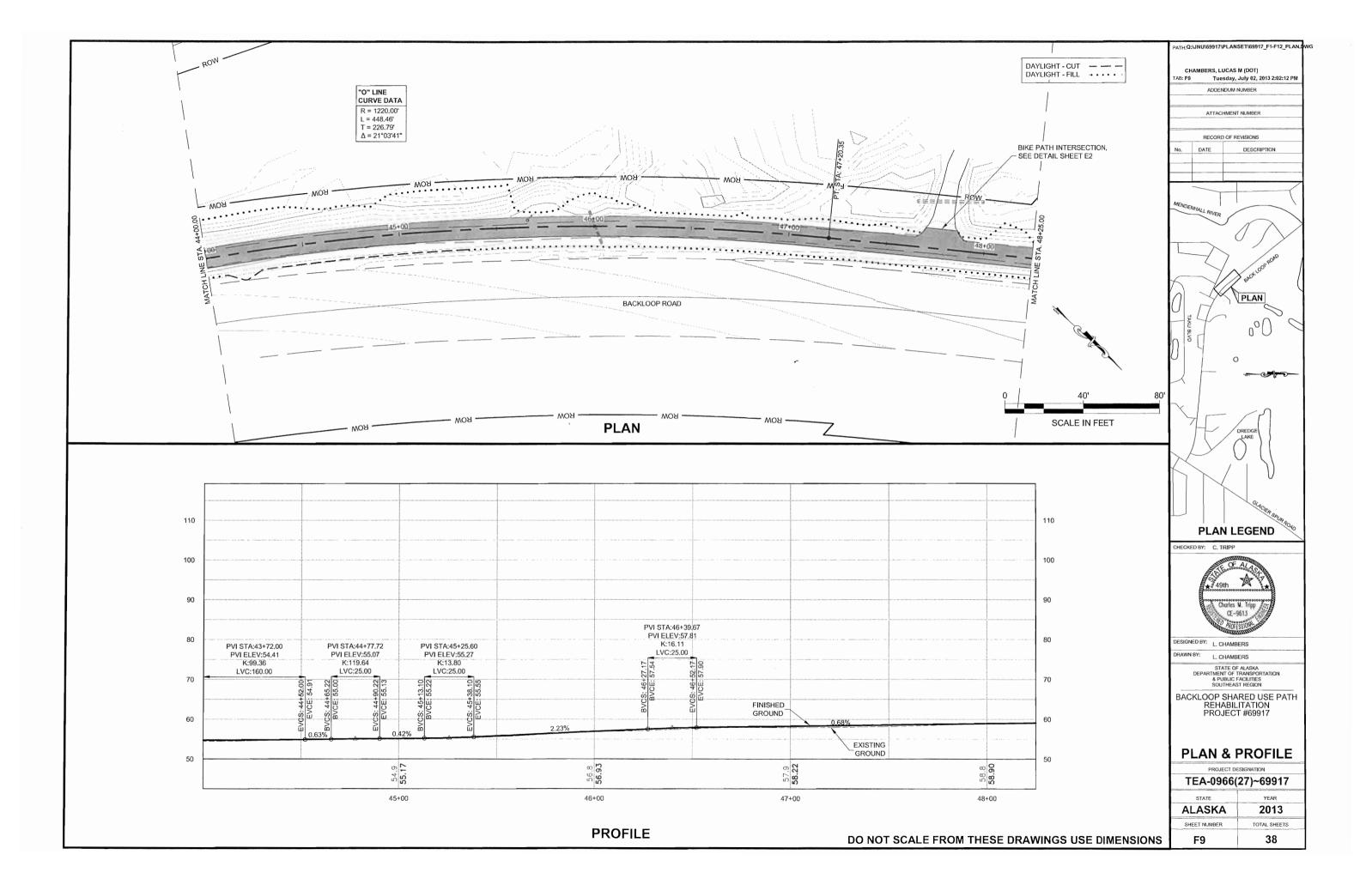


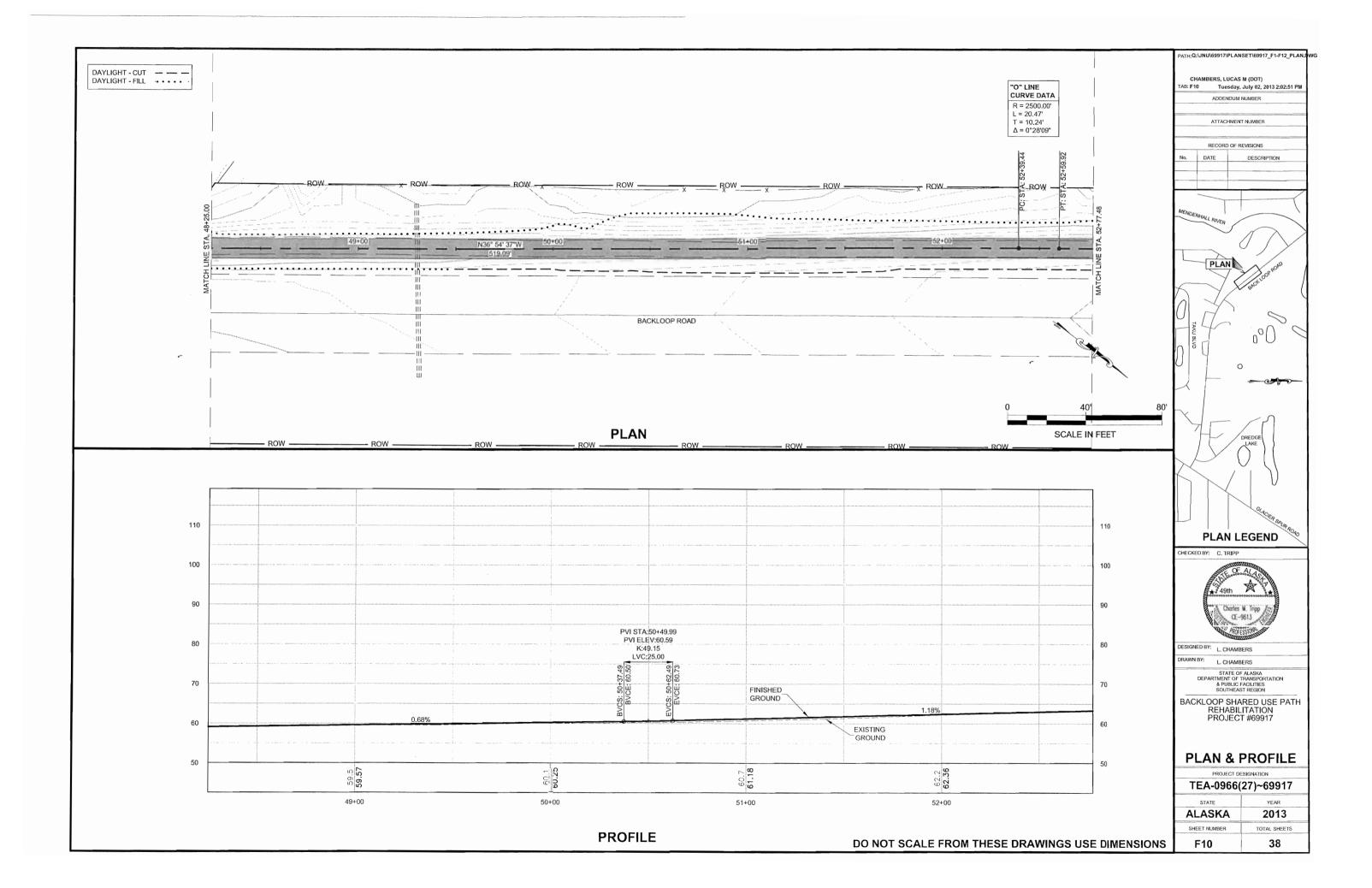


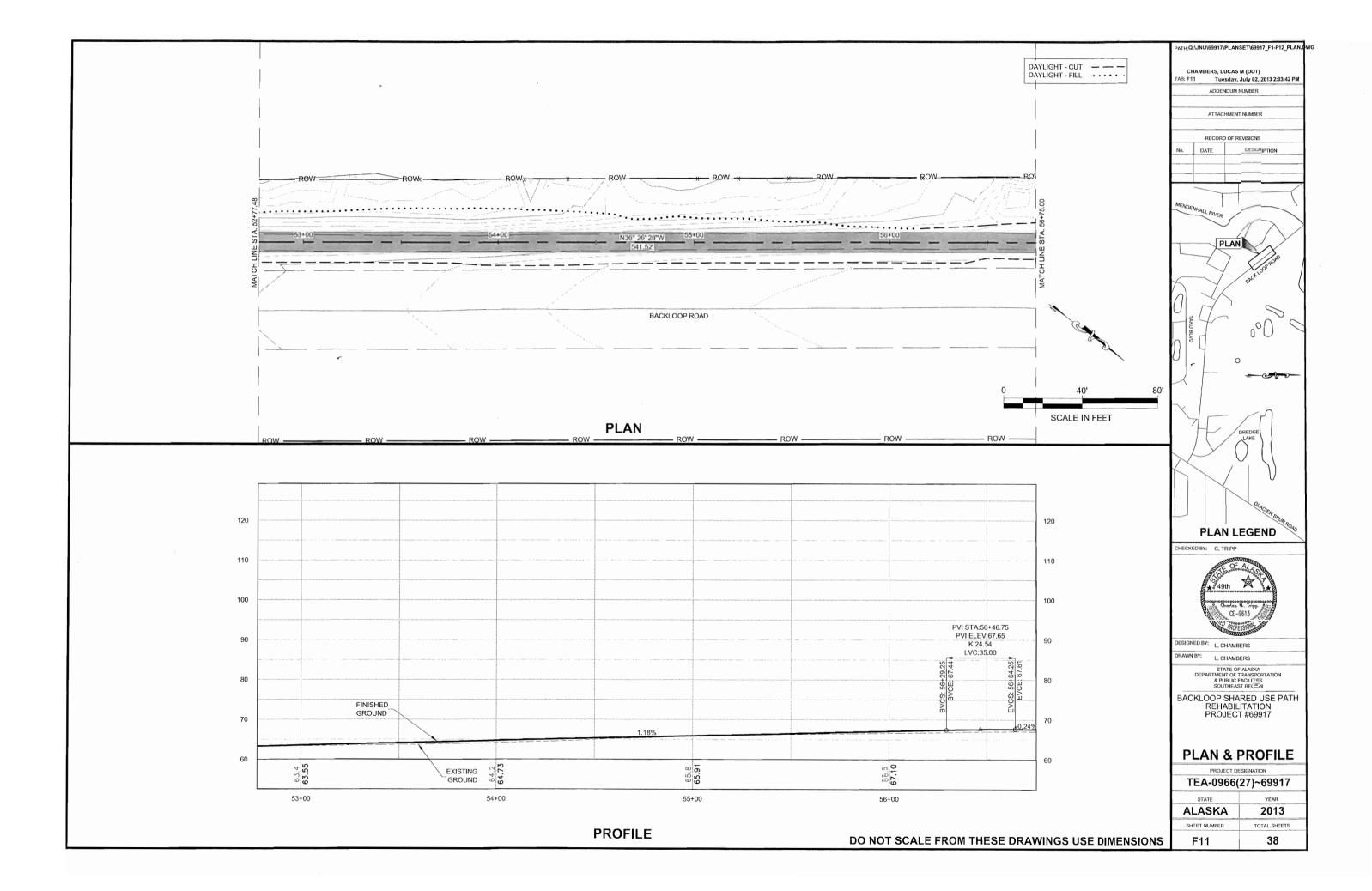


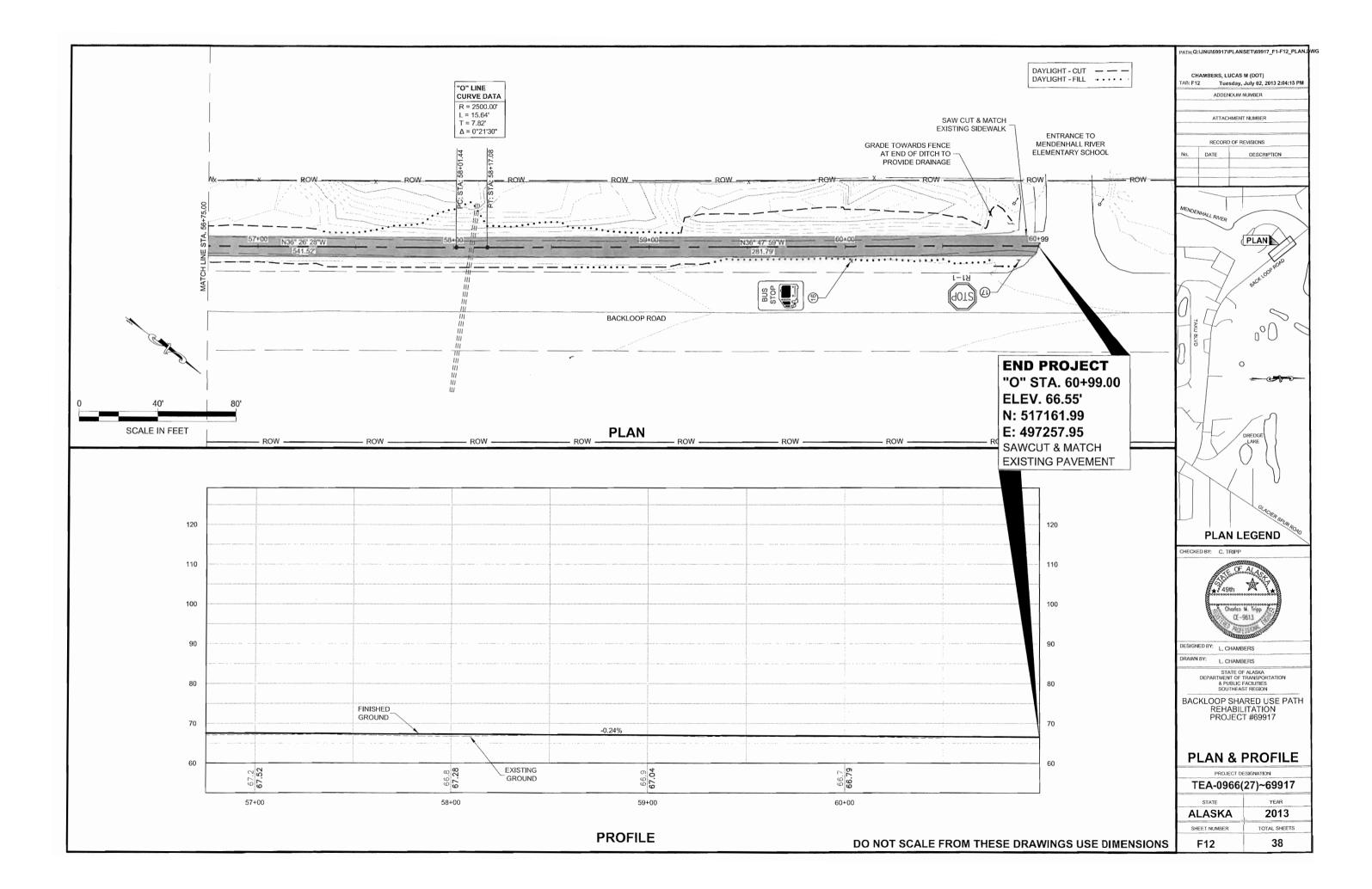


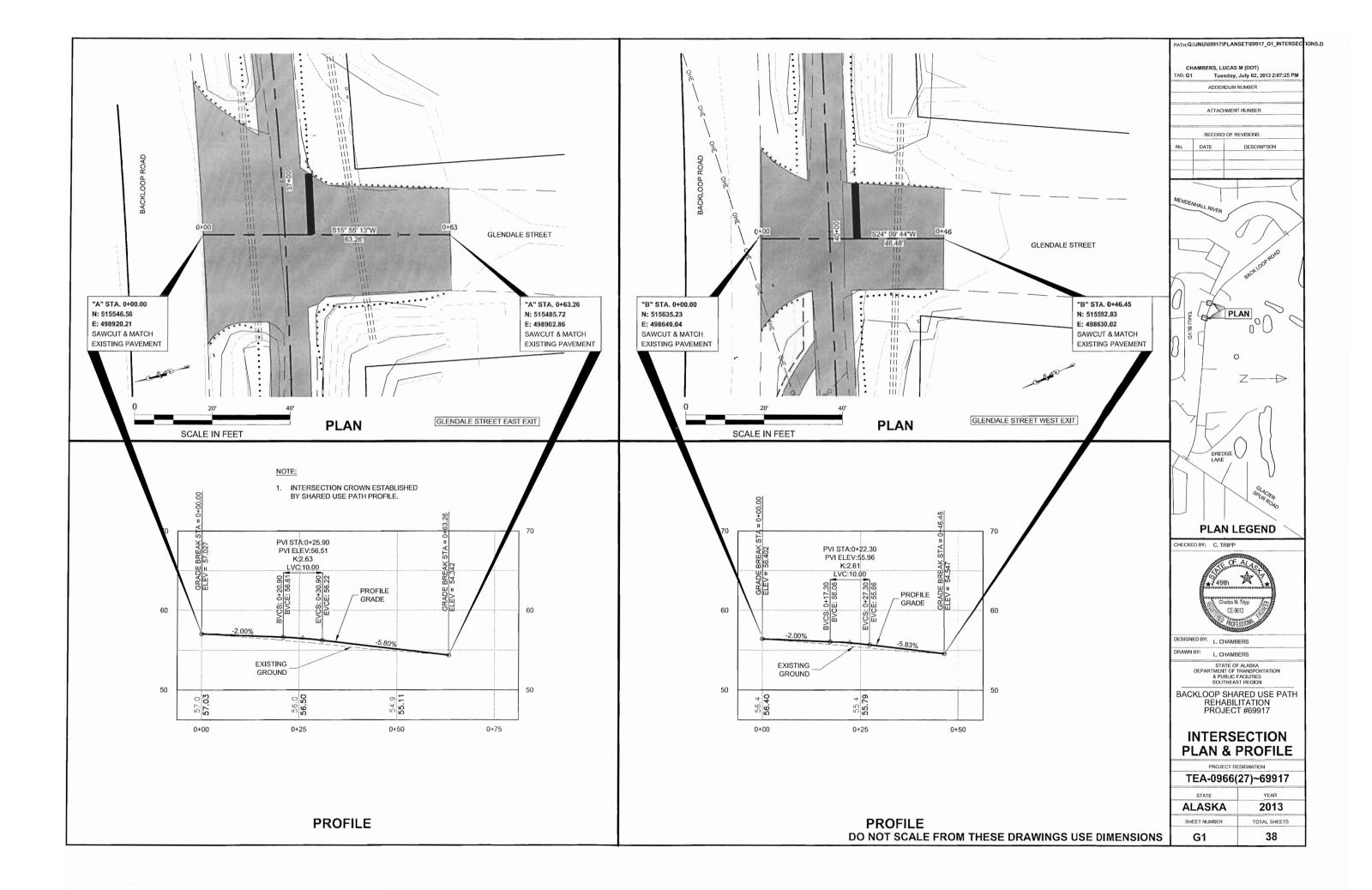


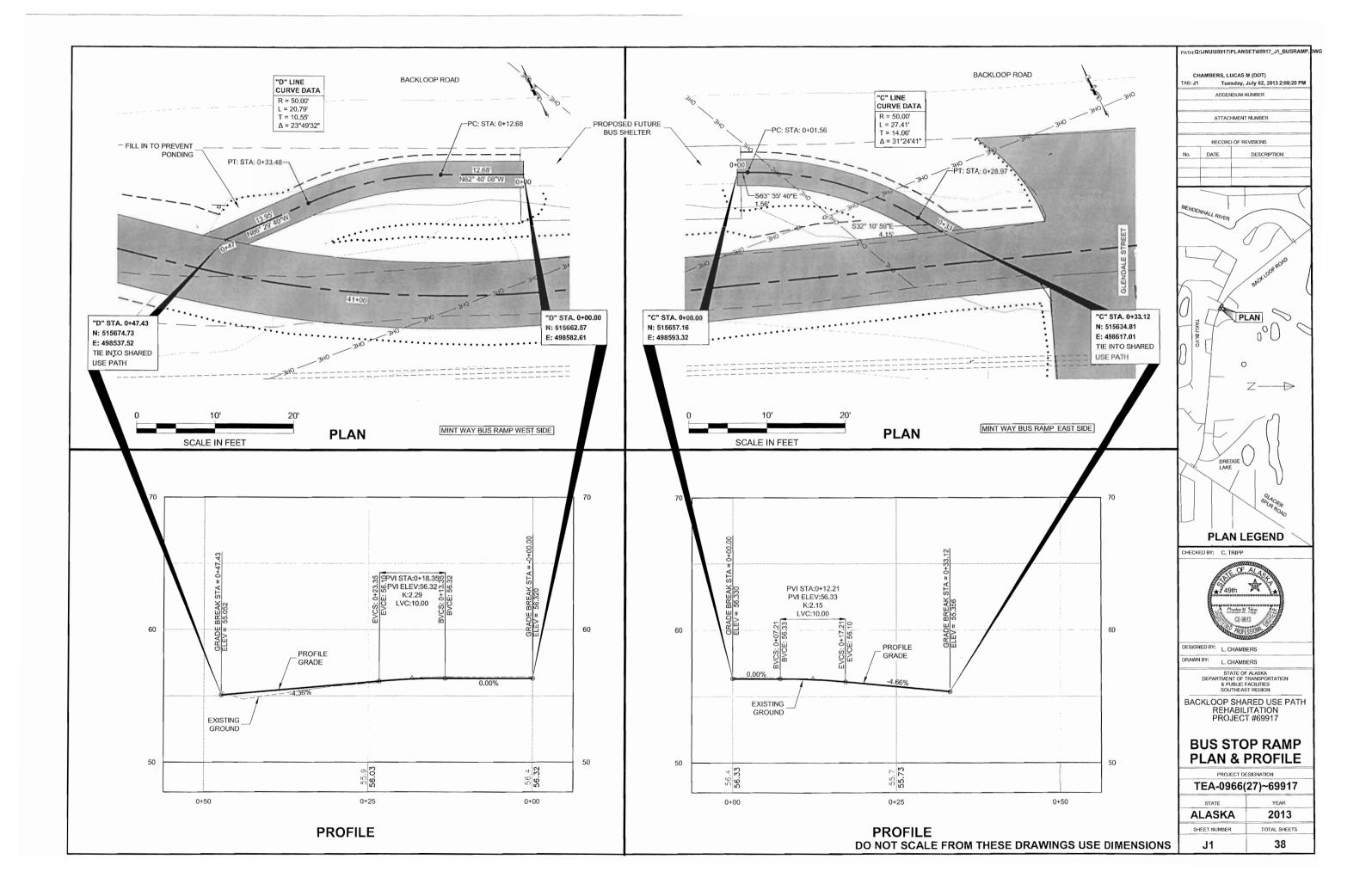


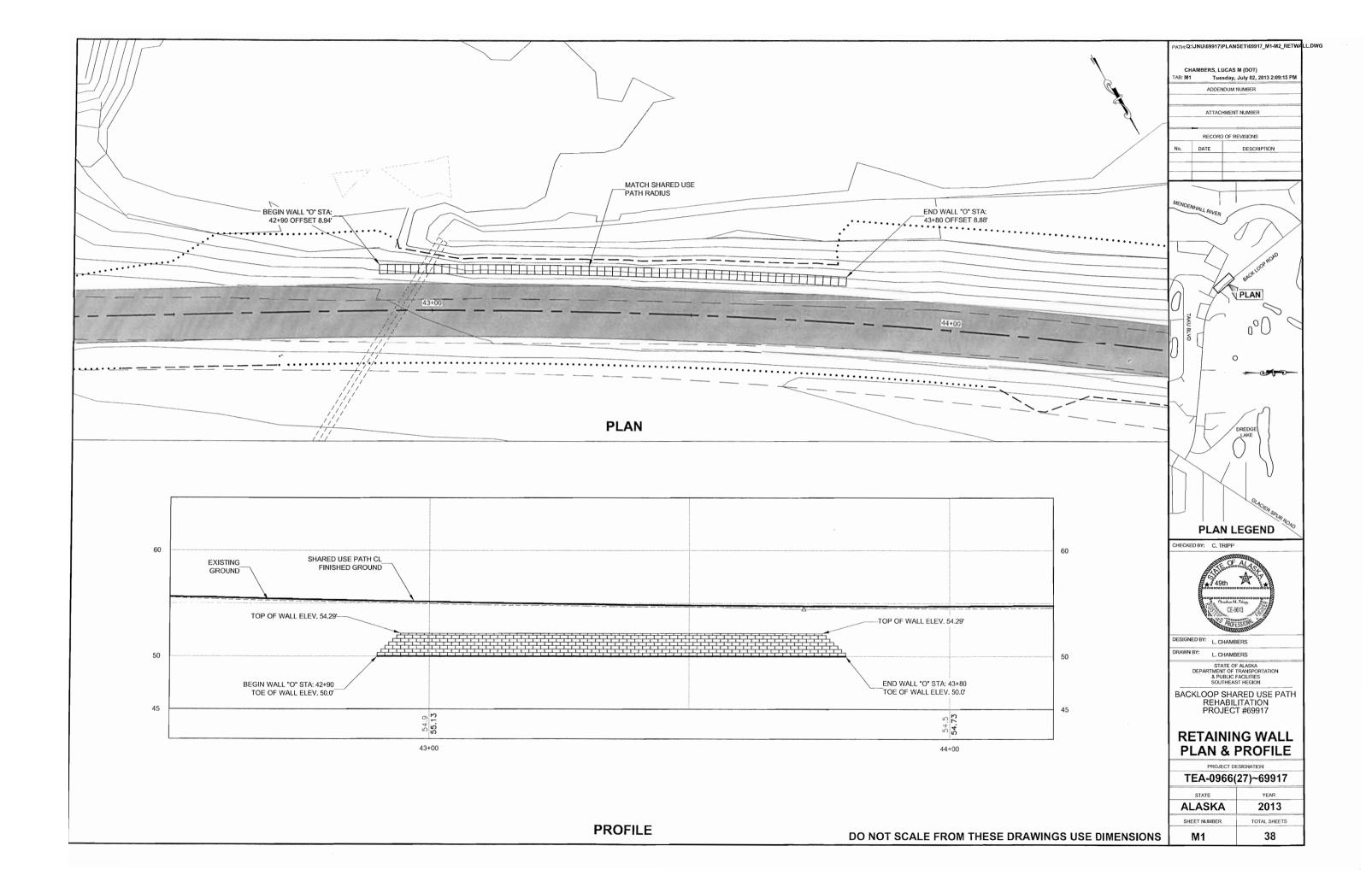
















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> > July 18, 2013

In Reply Refer To: Back Loop Shared Use Path Rehabilitation State Project #69917/Federal Project #TEA-0966(027) Subject: Scoping Update

Dear Agency Representative:

In a scoping letter to your office dated December 3, 2012, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) described a proposed project to widen and rehabilitate a one-mile section of separated shared use path along Back Loop Road in Juneau, Alaska. The purpose of this second letter is to provide you with an update on the proposed project activities, and to request any additional comments you may have on the newly described activities.

The project is located on the Juneau B-2 (NW) USGS topographic quadrangles, in Township 40S, Range 66E, Section 17 and 18, Copper River Meridian (Figure 1).

Project Description Updates

Originally the project DOT&PF proposed would widen and rehabilitate a one-mile section of separated shared use path along Back Loop Road between Mendenhall Loop Road and the Mendenhall River Community School entrance (Figure 2). Additionally the project as originally proposed would

- widen the path from 8 feet to 10 feet
- remove the existing asphalt surface, improve the structural cross section across a 10 foot width, and repave to a 10 foot width;
- correct the cross slope and vertical grades to meet ADA standards;
- improve drainage by grading the path and construct ditches as necessary;
- · relocate roadway signs, side street stop signs, and fire hydrants
- install safety fence along sections of path with steep or hazardous slopes below
- construct an ADA accessible bus shelter near Mint Way or Glendale Street
- install a root barrier in areas affected by tree root growth
- trim vegetation in existing ROW to improve sight distance
- · restripe cross street crosswalks and stop bars

The following activities have since been added to the project scope:

• construct an ADA accessible ramp to the bus shelter from the shared use path (Figure 2)

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Attachment B

- construct a section of retaining wall along the shared use path in order to avoid pushing the existing ditch out of the ROW (Figure 2; Sheets M1 and M2)
- remove two cross and two driveway culverts; install three new stormwater pipes involving excavation and/or trenching (Figure 2)
- omit the previously proposed new bus shelter and its concrete pad between Mint Way and Glendale Street; the structure is to be constructed by City and Borough of Juneau

Agency Comment Request

We request your additional comments about the updated proposed action, particularly in regard to resources under your jurisdiction. We would appreciate your response by July 29, 2013.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for comments. If you need any further information, please contact Hilary Lindh, the Environmental Analyst for this project, by phone at 465-6564 or e-mail at <u>Hilary.Lindh@alaska.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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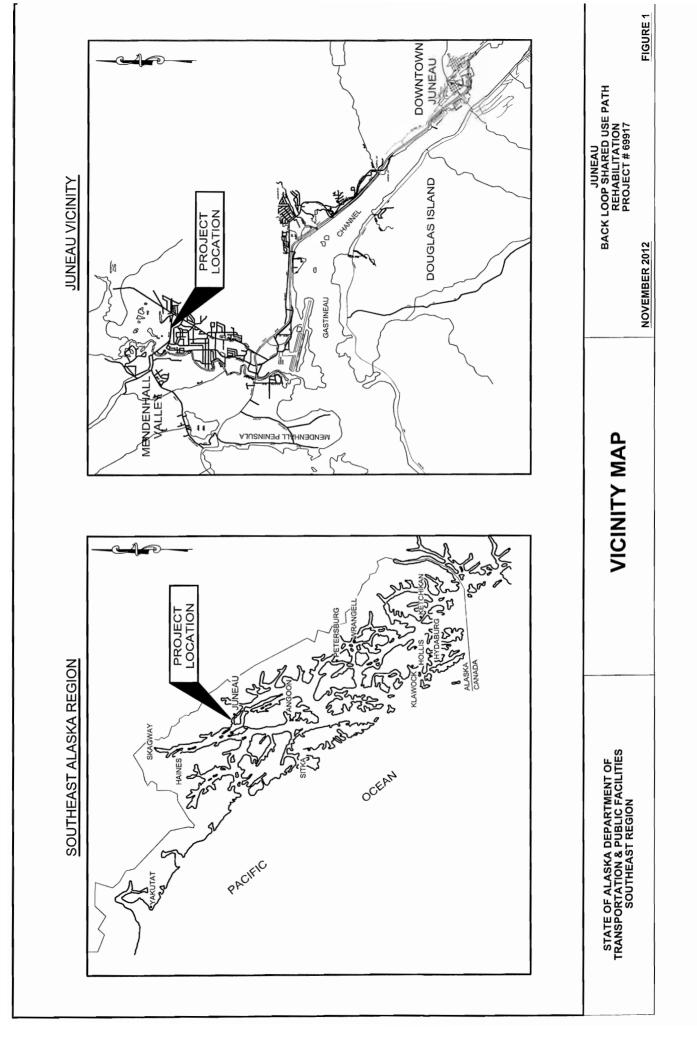
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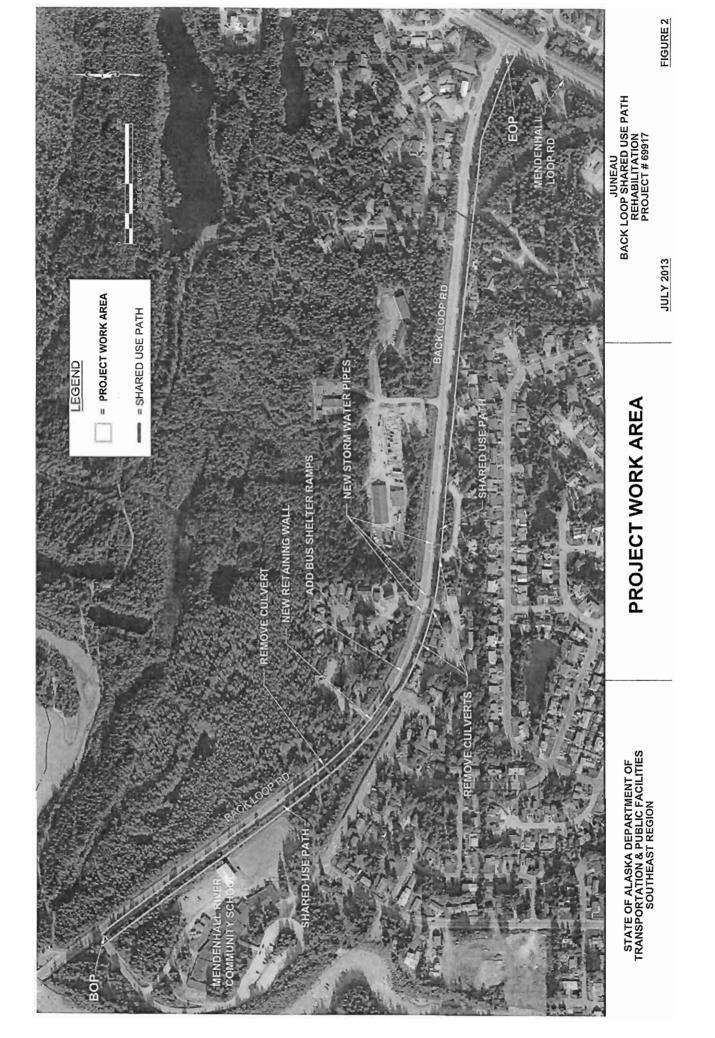
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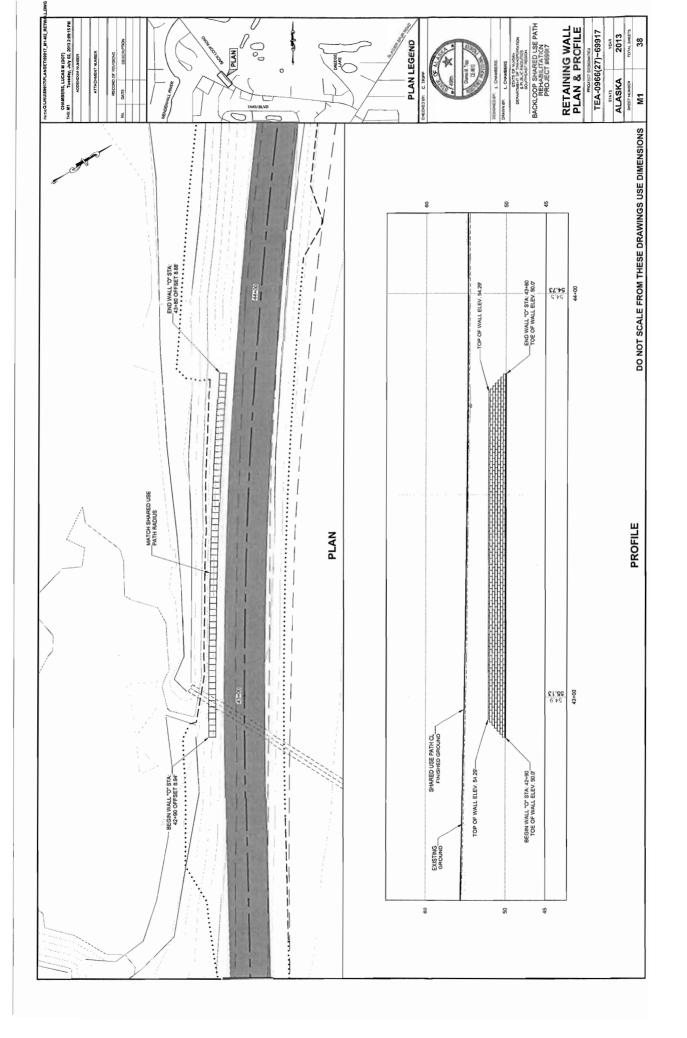
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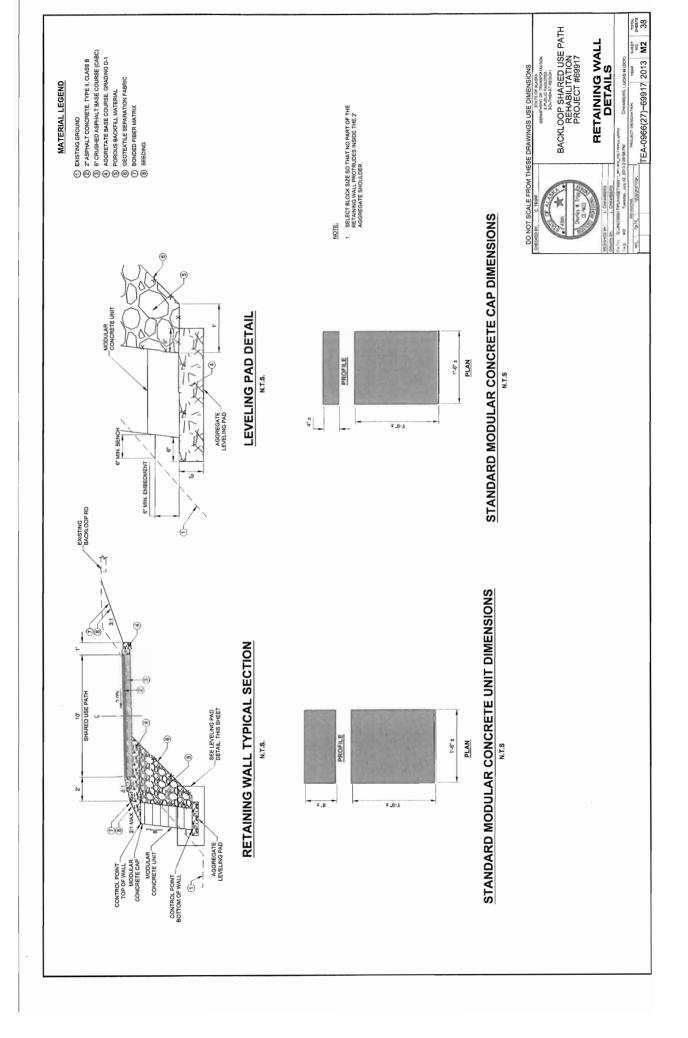
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Benjamin Lyman

From:	John Kern
Sent:	Thursday, August 08, 2013 9:01 AM
То:	Kirk Duncan
Cc:	Rob Steedle; Benjamin Lyman
Subject:	RE: back loop bus stop

I have been advocating for pedestrian improvements including bus passenger shelters on State ROW for decades, and with a lot of success. I worked with the State Design Engineers on the first bus passenger shelters constructed by the State and on their redesign and adoption of the current standards throughout the State. Initially our agreement was informal; the State constructed bus passenger shelters with State and Federal monies on State ROW and we maintained them. For some time the State created a memo of understanding which we signed, formally accepting maintenance responsibility. Regardless, we have maintained them as best we could with the budget provided by the Assembly. Most of the bus passenger shelters along the route were constructed as part of a DOT highway project. With regard to the bus passenger shelters on the Mendenhall Loop Road at Dredge Lake Avenue and Mint Way: Dredge Lake bus passenger shelter has been there a long time and was originally constructed as part of a road reconstruction project. But is not in conformance with current State DOT design standards, and for our drivers, is too close to the intersection. The roadway shoulder here is also broken up and causes undue wear and tear on our buses. The State DOT ROW Division would not likely give us a permit to reconstruct the shelter as it currently exists. At Mint Way, the situation is even more complicated. The existing pad was constructed by the State DOT, but a bus passenger shelter never was constructed as they determined following construction that the clearance from the roadway and other FHWA standards would not allow it. Regardless, the bus stop sign stayed and we continue to stop here. The roadway here is also broken and there are potholes that the State has not repaired. It is unlikely that the State ROW will approve a bus passenger shelter permit here as it currently exists, and the costs of creating a stop that meets their standards will be significant and likely beyond, not only our budget, but design capabilities. In its current proposal the State Design is reconstructing the pedestrian path that connects these bus passenger shelters to the surrounding neighborhood, but is not including the bus passenger shelters in the project. The construction and reconstruction of the bus passenger shelters is an eligible project cost if the State is using Federal Highway funding. While Design is indicating that we will construct the bus passenger shelter here, it is ROW that will issue the permit and it is unlikely that they will actually do that. The State DOT has included bus passenger shelter work in most previous projects, including reconstruction. I think Ben has made a reasonable proposal for a compromise that follows the recent reconstruction at Fred Meyer. The State created the stop and pad and we constructed the bus passenger shelter here.

From: Kirk Duncan
Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2013 9:24 PM
To: John Kern
Cc: Rob Steedle
Subject: RE: back loop bus stop

Hi John – Thanks for your participation in the meeting today. I think the input was good and your information helped the process Please provide your prospective on the DOT, Capital Transit relationship as it pertains to bus shelters.

I would like this information by the end of the week

Thanks

Kirk

From: Kirk Duncan Sent: Monday, August 05, 2013 9:31 AM