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St. Louis District

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached maps. The purpose of the public notice is to inform you of a proposal for work in which you may be interested. It is also to solicit your comments and information to better enable us to make a reasonable decision on factors affecting the public interest.

**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE:** This public notice is issued jointly with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program. The Department of Natural Resources will use the comments to this notice in deciding whether to grant Section 401 water quality certification. Commenters are requested to furnish a copy of their comments to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources by email at [wpsc401cert@dnr.mo.gov](mailto:wpsc401cert@dnr.mo.gov) or by mail at P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

**APPLICANT:** Tony Gambaro  
City of Wentzville  
1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd  
Wentzville, MO 63385

**PROJECT LOCATION:** (As shown on the attached drawings): The project is located between West Meyer Road and US Highway 61 in Wentzville, St. Charles County, Missouri with approximate coordinates 38.8450892, -90.8968076 (Foristell and Wentzville Quadrangles).

**AUTHORITY:** Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344).

**ACTIVITY:** (As shown on the attached drawings): The City of Wentzville is planning to construct a new roadway, David Hoekel Parkway Phase 3/5 (DHP), that will begin at West Meyer Road and extend approximately 3.25 miles north to Peine Road. The purpose of the project is to alleviate traffic congestion and create a transportation link to Interstate 70 and Route 61. The new roadway will consist of two 12-foot traffic lanes with curb and gutter and ditches or storm sewers on either side. The project includes a 10-foot multi-use pathway on the east and south sides. Sidewalk improvements may be included along Scotti Road, N Point Prairie Road, and Peine Road. Project plans include box culverts, concrete pipe culverts and a stream realignment, which will impact potential jurisdictional streams. The project will impact three (3) likely jurisdictional streams: UNT 5, UNT 8 and UNT 13. Proposed permanent impacts to likely jurisdictional streams will total 2,745 feet or 1.44 acres. Maps and preliminary plans are attached.

**WETLANDS/AQUATIC HABITAT:** A total of nineteen (19) streams, four (4) wetlands, and one (1) pond were identified within the project corridor.

**JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION:** An approved jurisdictional determination (AJD) is in progress in association with this proposed project.

**LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS:** The project plans are attached to this public notice.

**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, AND COMPENSATORY MITIGATION FOR UNAVOIDABLE IMPACTS TO AQUATIC RESOURCES:**

The applicant has conducted an alternatives analysis to minimize impacts and has proposed compensation for unavoidable impacts to aquatic resources with a combination of permittee responsible mitigation and the purchase of stream mitigation credits. Compensatory mitigation will be required and likely satisfied by purchasing stream credits from an approved mitigation bank or In-Lieu Fee Program in accordance with the Missouri Stream Mitigation Method. Proof of purchase prior to any impacts to waters of the U.S. associated with this project will be required if a permit is authorized.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** St. Louis District will comply with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and 36 CFR 800. However, we will evaluate input by the State Historic Preservation Officer, Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (or Tribe designated representative) and the public in response to this public notice, and we may conduct or require a reconnaissance survey of the permit area to check for unknown historic properties, if warranted. A Phase I cultural resource survey with associated report has been completed and provided to the USACE. The USACE has found "No Historic Properties Affected" and has initiated the required coordination procedures.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The proposed project is within the range of the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), and the gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*). The applicant proposes to clear approximately 46 acres of trees to accommodate the proposed project. An acoustic survey will be conducted in coordination with USFWS to determine the potential presence or absence of the listed bat species. The applicant plans to clear all trees during the inactive season for bats, between November 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>. It is unknown if the tricolored bat will be formally listed prior to project construction. The proposed project is also within the range of the federally threatened decurrent false aster (*Boltonia decurrens*) and the federally proposed threatened monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*). Suitable habitat is present for both species within the project area. There are no occurrence records of the decurrent false aster within one mile of the project area, according to the Missouri Natural Heritage Review. The USACE has preliminarily made a "no effect" determination for the decurrent false aster. The project is not expected to jeopardize the continued existence of the monarch butterfly. In order to further complete our evaluation, written comments are solicited by this public notice from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

**FLOODPLAINS:** This activity is being reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, which discourages direct or indirect support of floodplain development whenever there is a practicable alternative. By this public notice, comments are requested from individuals and agencies that believe the described work will adversely impact the floodplain.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Certification Improvement Rule (Certification Rule, 40 CFR 121), effective November 27, 2023, requires certification for any license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge. The scope for CWA Section 401 certification by the certifying authority shall evaluate whether the activity will comply with applicable water quality requirements. The certifying authority's evaluation is limited to the water quality-related impacts from the activity subject to the Federal license or permit, including the activity's construction and operation. The applicant is solely responsible for requesting certification and providing required information to the certifying agency. In accordance with Certification Rule part 121.12, the Corps will notify the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator when it has received a Department of the Army (DA) permit application and the related certification. The Administrator is responsible for determining if the discharge may affect water quality in a neighboring jurisdiction. The DA permit may not be issued pending the conclusion of the Administrator's determination of effects on neighboring jurisdictions.

**PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW:** The decision to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including the cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative

effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. The evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344).

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Any person may request, in writing, prior to the expiration date of this public notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Such requests shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

**SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Tribes; and other interested parties to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File Number shown above and must be received or be post marked no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address or submitted electronically to [MVS-Regulatory@usace.army.mil](mailto:MVS-Regulatory@usace.army.mil):

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Regulatory Division  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63103  
ATTN: Brett Burkart

**REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Additional information about this application may be obtained by contacting Brett Burkart, Regulatory Specialist, USACE – St. Louis District at 314-320-8129 or by email to [brett.j.burkart@usace.army.mil](mailto:brett.j.burkart@usace.army.mil).

To join our public notice mailing list and receive all of our Public Notices electronically, please email your request to: [MVS-Regulatory@usace.army.mil](mailto:MVS-Regulatory@usace.army.mil) and include your name, email, and phone number with your statement of request to be added to the Public Notice mailing list.

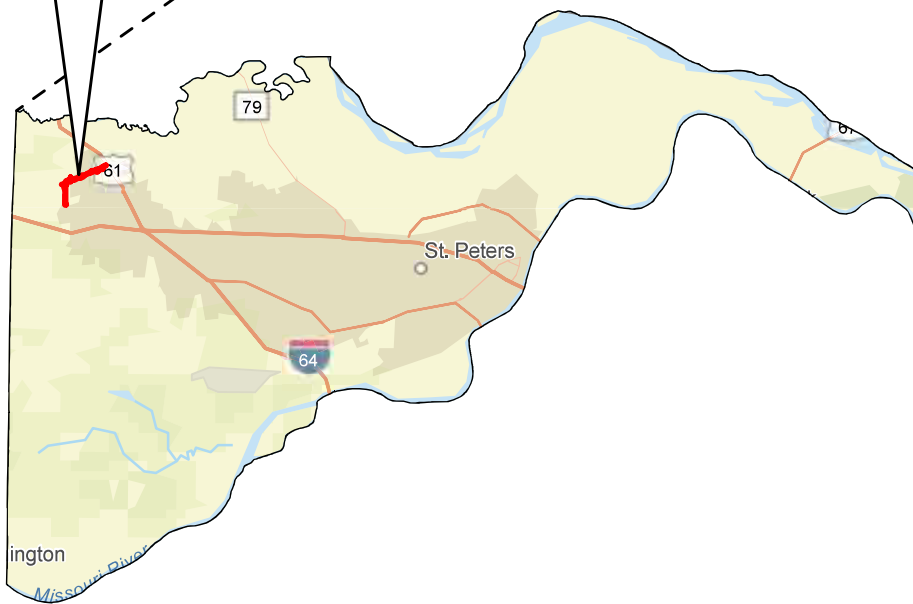
Attachments

**NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:**

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.



Project Location



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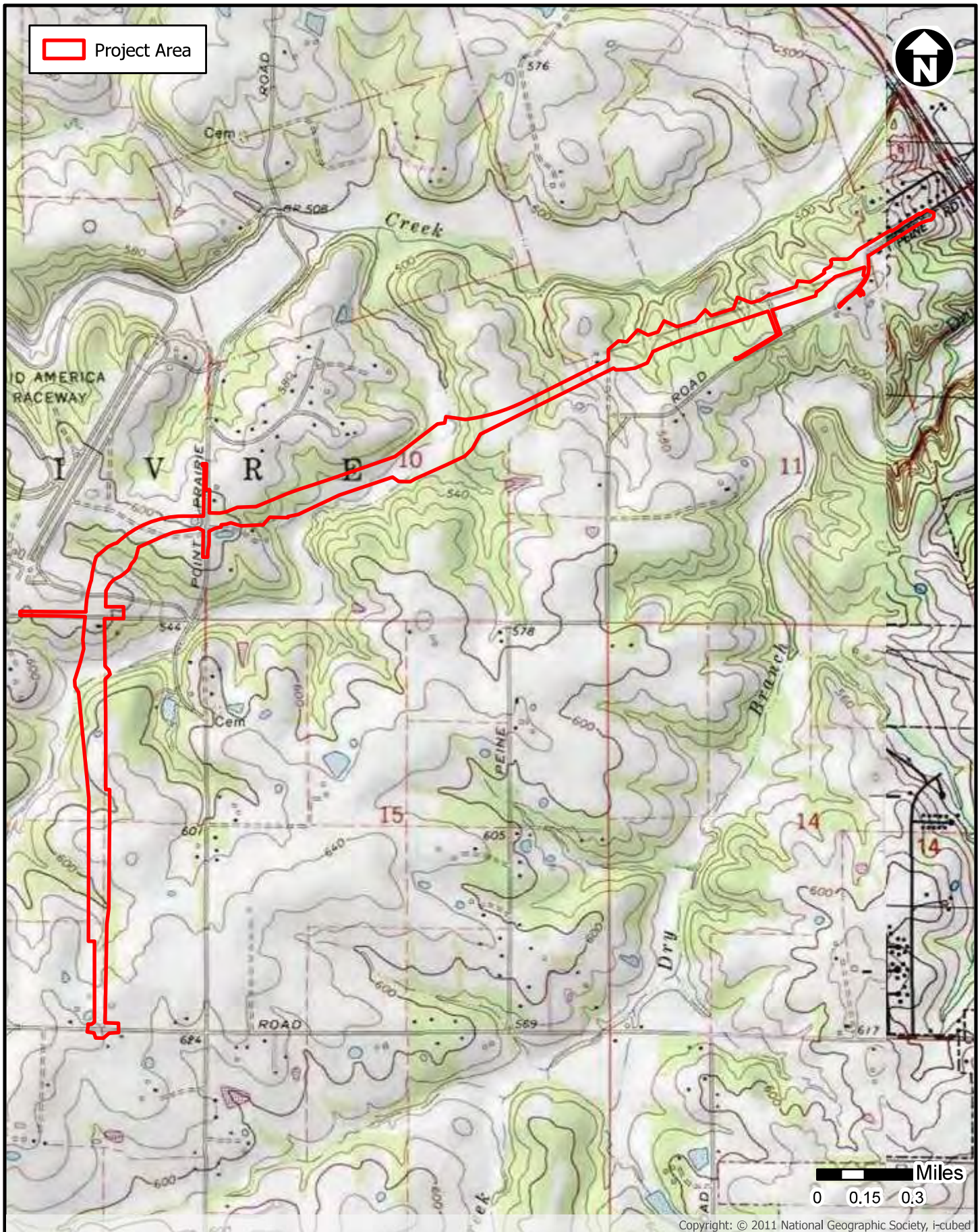
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# David Hoekel Parkway - Phase 3/5

## County Location Map - St. Charles Co., MO

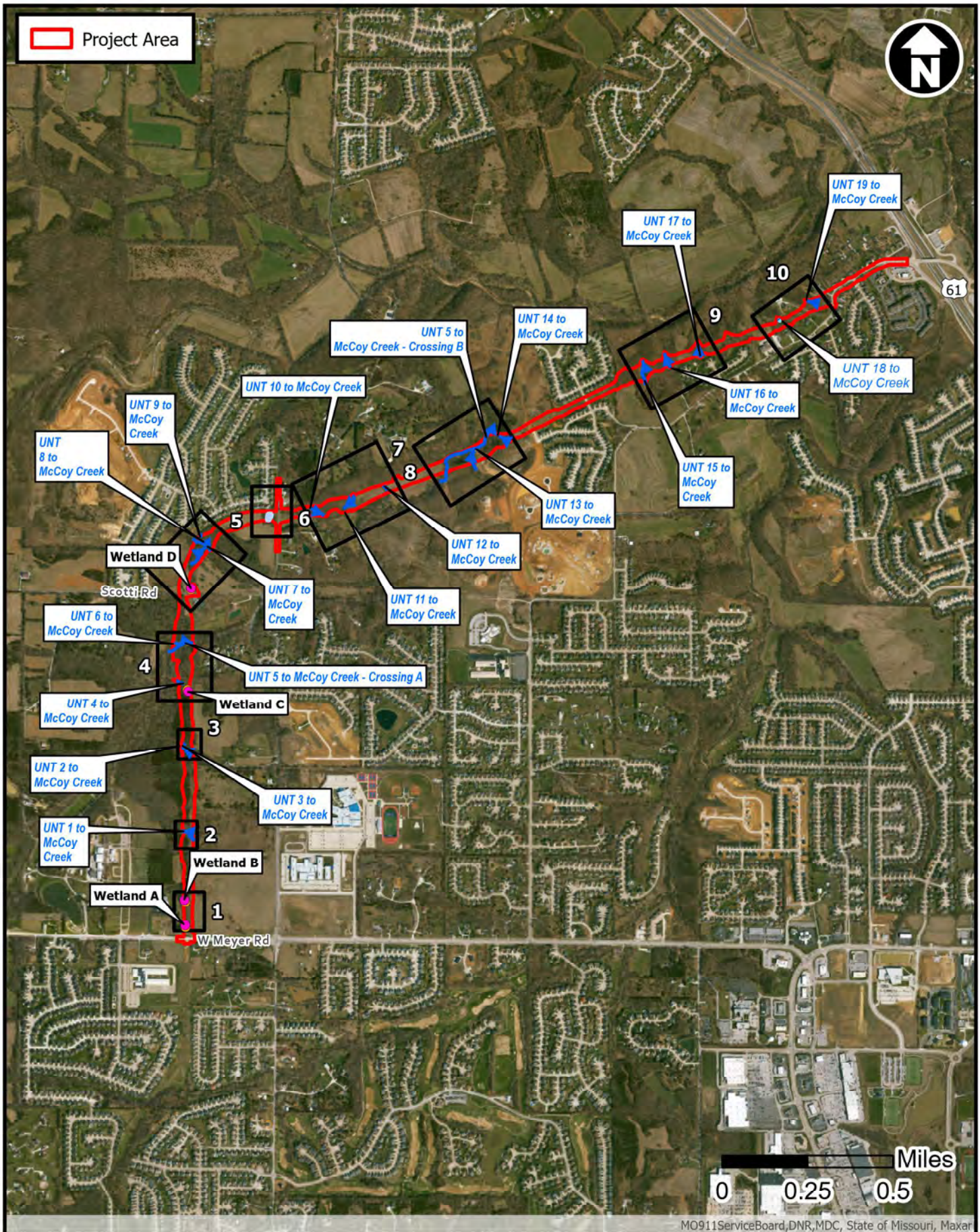






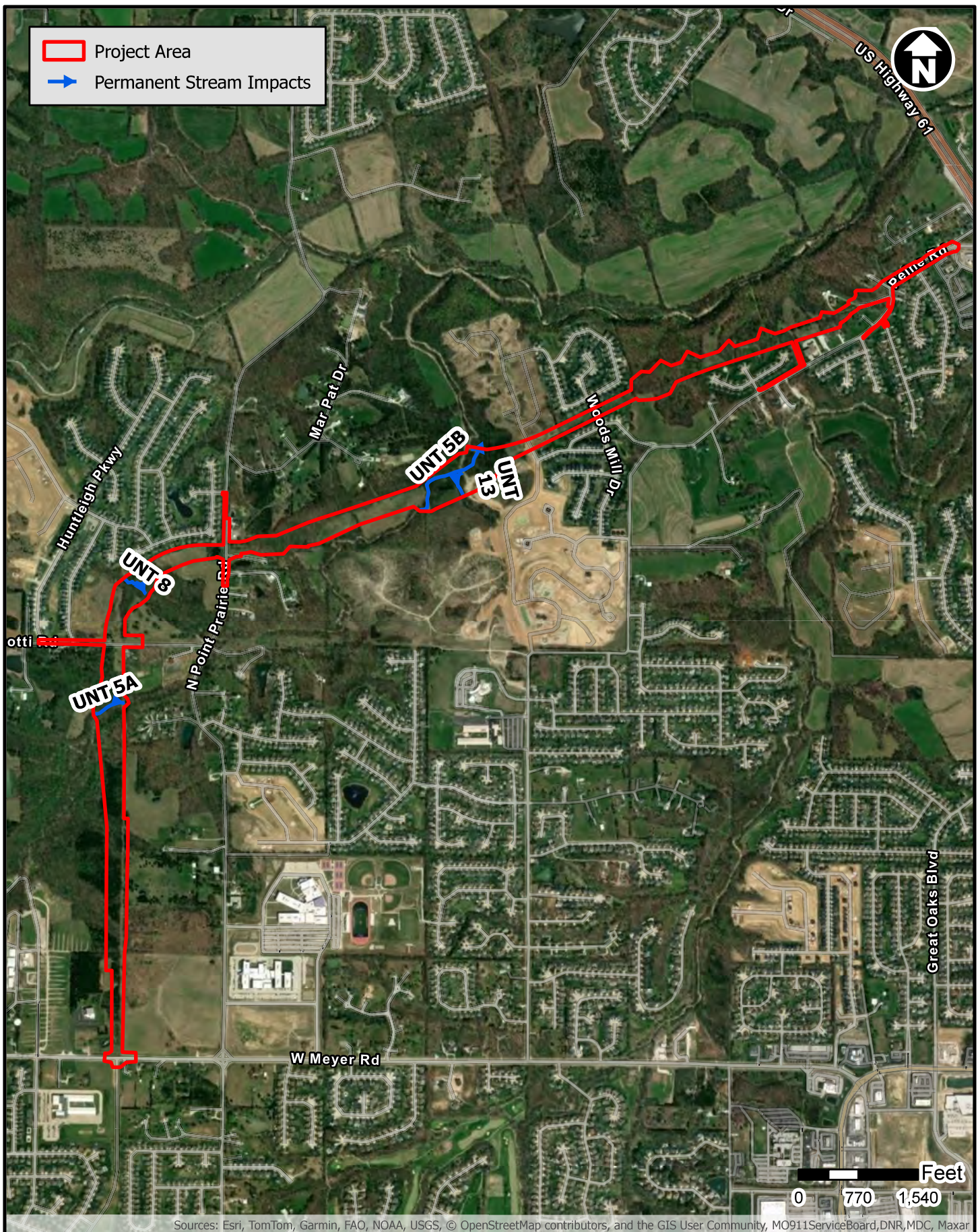
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USGS Topographic Map - Foristell,  
Wentzville, MO Quadrangles





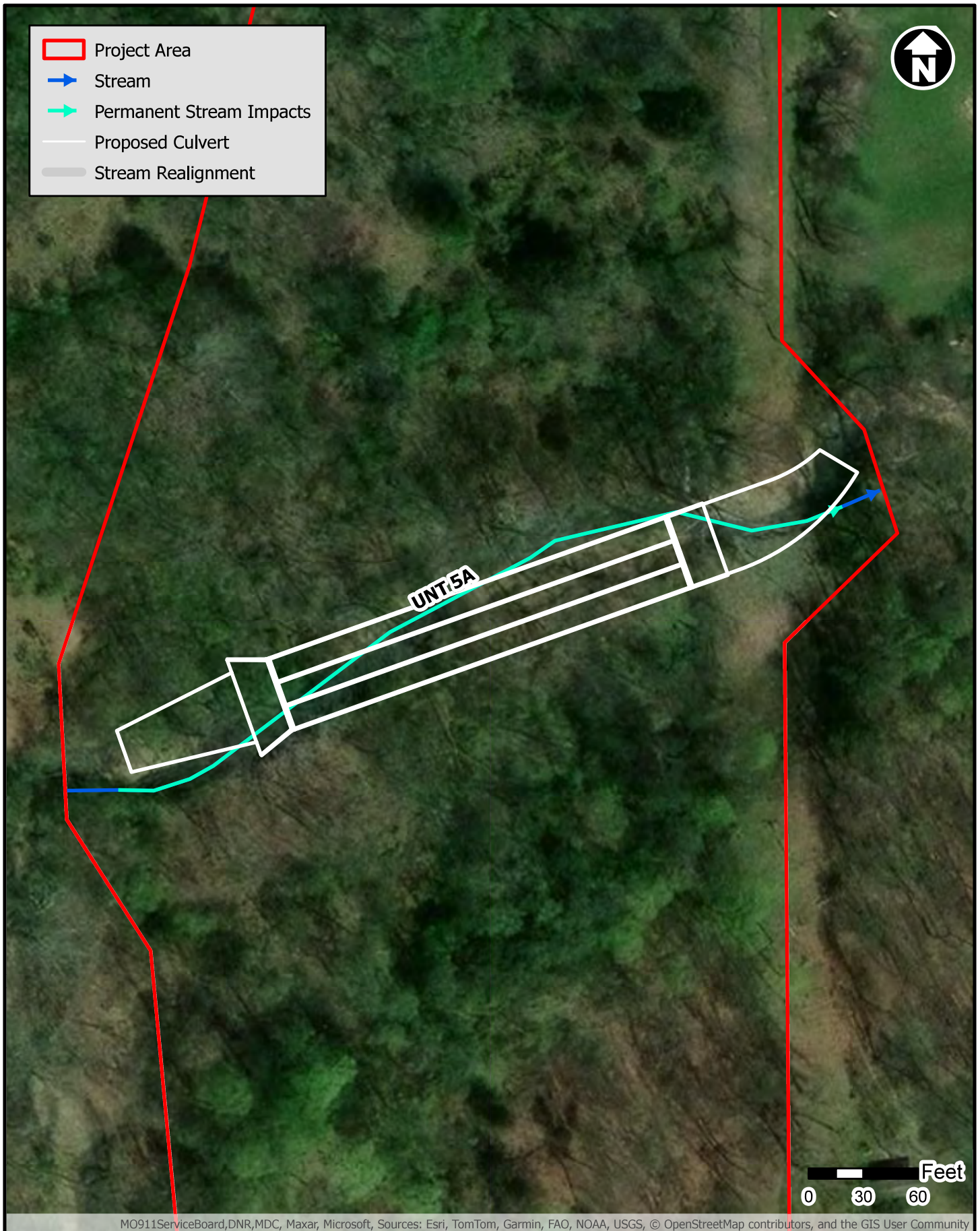
# David Hoekel Parkway - Phase 3/5 Ecological Resources Map Key





## David Hoekel Parkway - Phase 3/5 Jurisdictional Stream Segment Impacts





## David Hoekel Parkway - Phase 3/5

### Proposed Culvert at UNT 5A





## David Hoekel Parkway - Phase 3/5

### Proposed Culvert at UNT 8

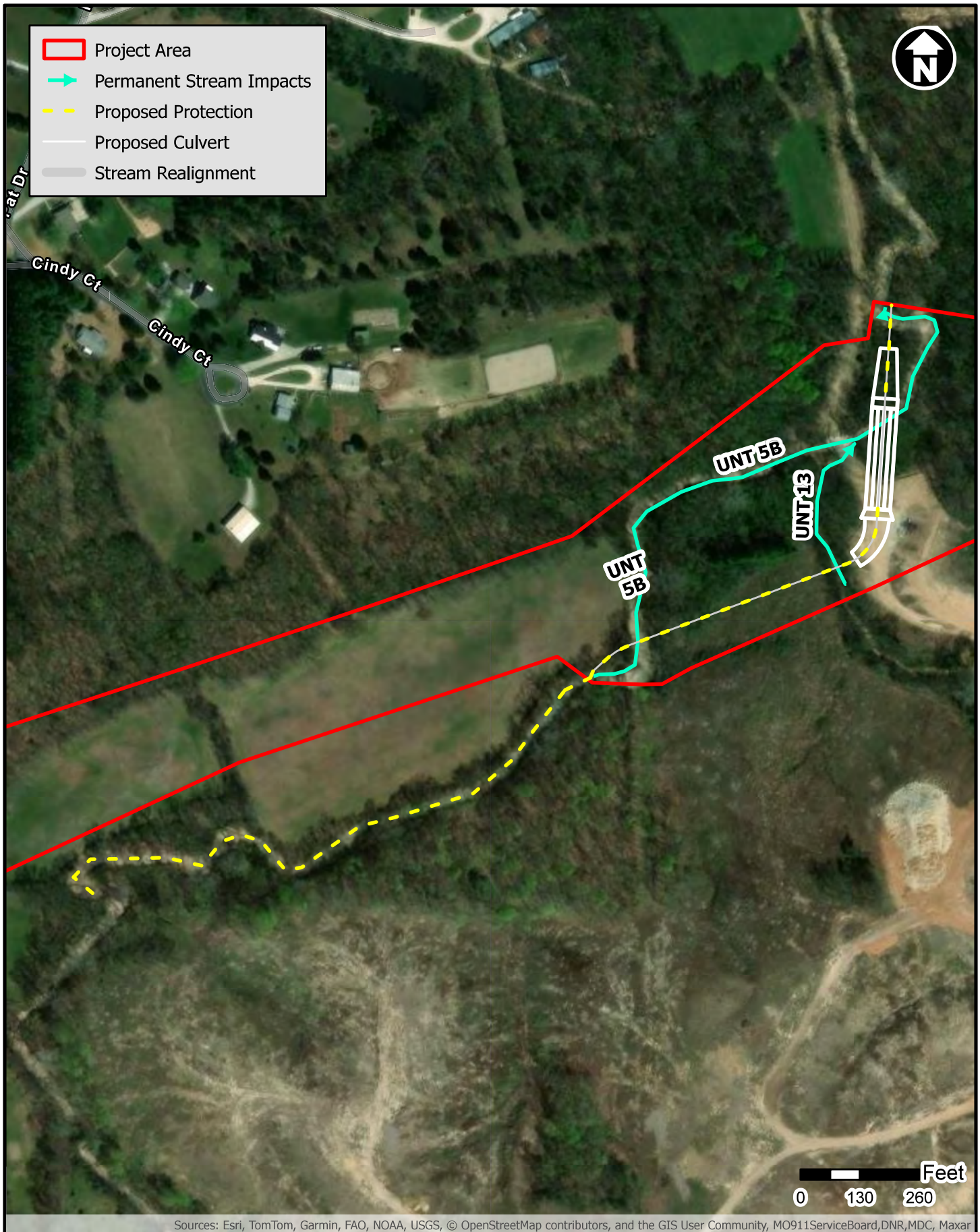




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### Proposed Culvert at UNT 5B and UNT13





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### Proposed Conservation Easement Stream Segments