

U.S. 50 North Vernon New Roadway Project

Public Hearing

November 9, 2011



WELCOME

■ Purpose of this Public Hearing

- Provide project update since last meeting
- Present the Preferred Alternative
- Receive public comments
 - Public comment session
 - Audio recording
 - Written comment forms
 - E-mail, call, or fax project staff (see handout)
- Satisfy Section 106 requirements and allow for comments on the finding of “no historic properties affected”



Meeting Format

- **Open House**
 - View project displays
 - Ask questions of project staff
 - Sign-up sheet if you wish to speak
- **Presentation**
- **Public comment session**



U.S. 50 Project Goals

- **Congestion**
- **Safety**
- **Accessibility**
- **Statewide Planning**
- **Non-transportation goals:**
 - Minimize environmental and cultural impacts
 - Minimize social and economic impacts
 - Support community needs and interests
 - Provide a transportation facility consistent with local plans



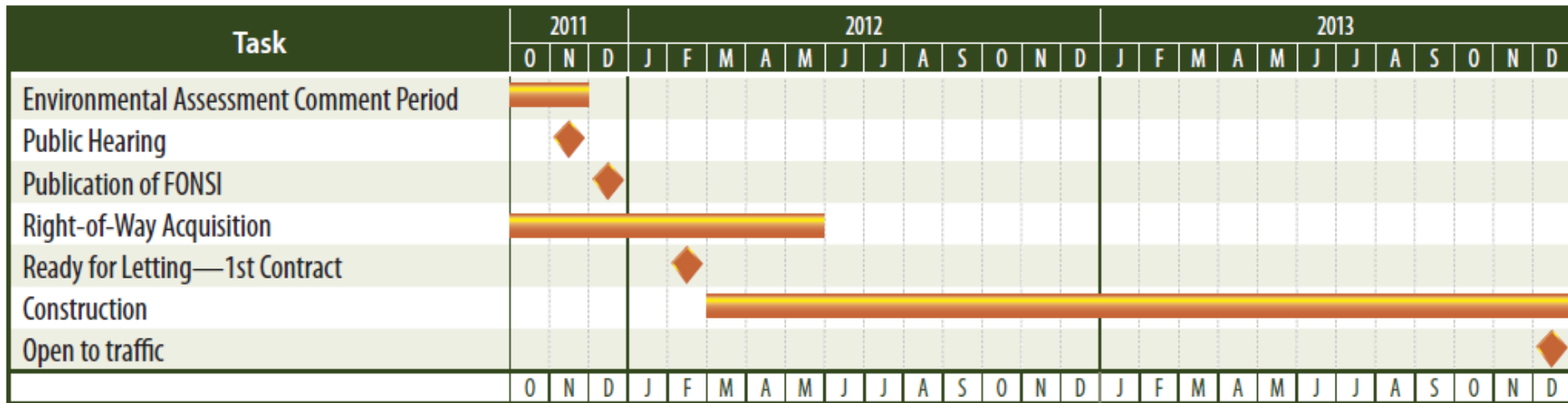
Public Involvement Efforts

- **Public Open Houses**
- **Community Advisory Committee**
- **Website**
- **Informal meetings**



Project Status

- **Environmental Assessment (EA)**
 - Published October 25, 2011
- **First Construction Letting**
 - February 2012
- **Open to Traffic December 2013**

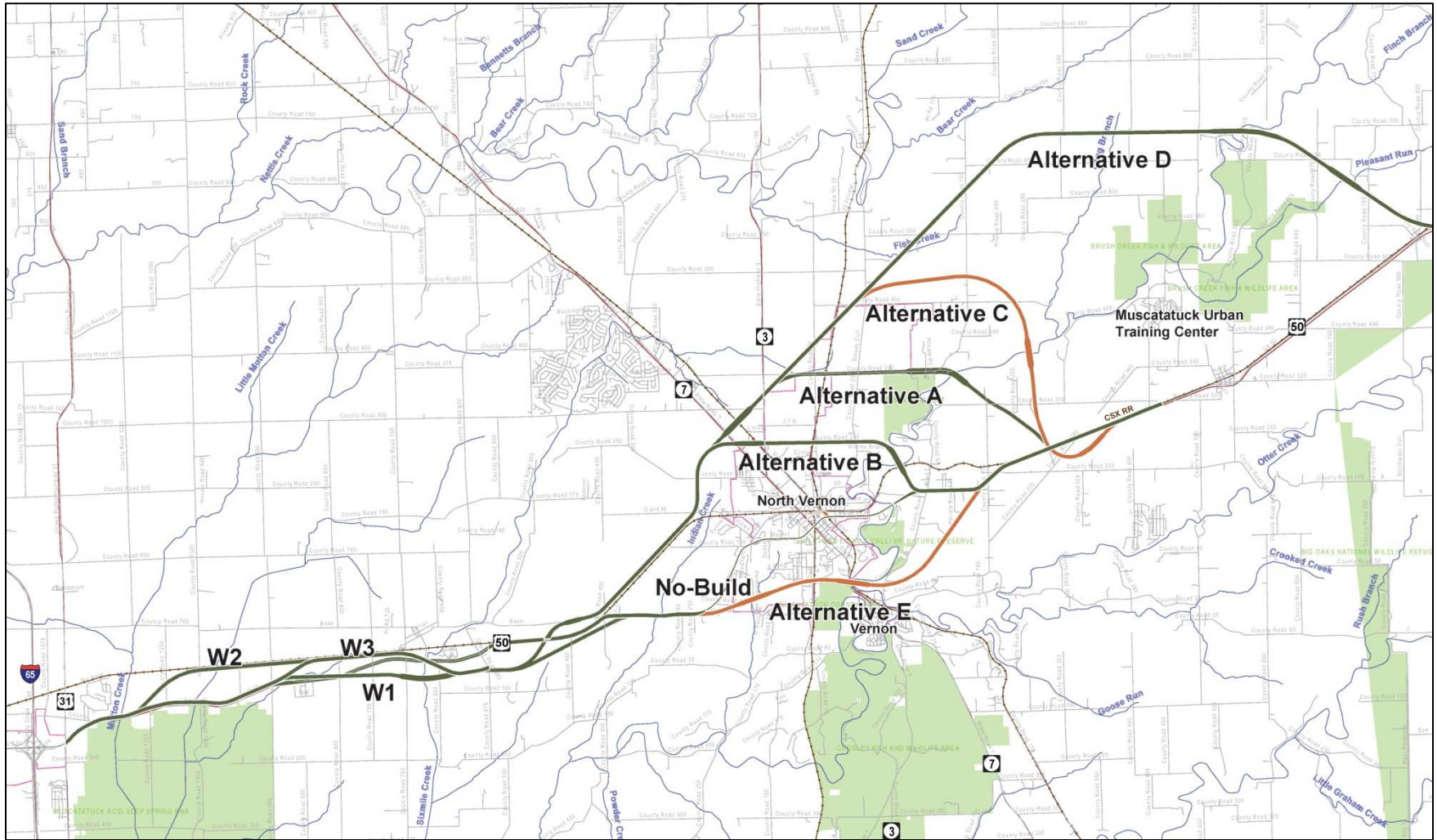


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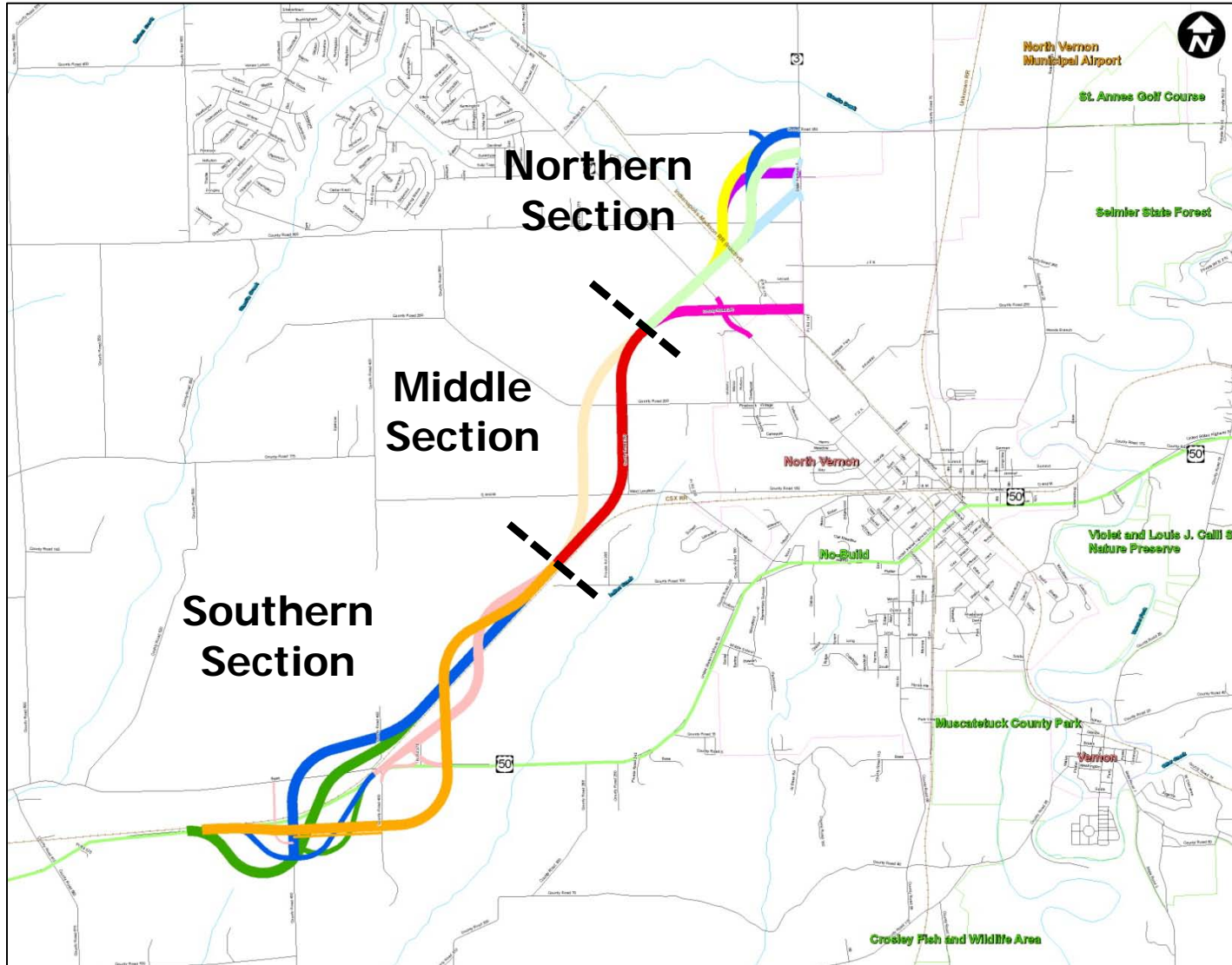
- **Right-of-Way**
- **Spot Improvements**
 - 3 bridge projects next year
- **Eastern portion of the North Vernon Bypass**
 - Engineering and Environmental Study starting in Spring 2012



Corridor Planning Study (2008)



Current Project



April 2011 Public Open House

Southern Section

Alternative S1

Alternative S2

Middle Section

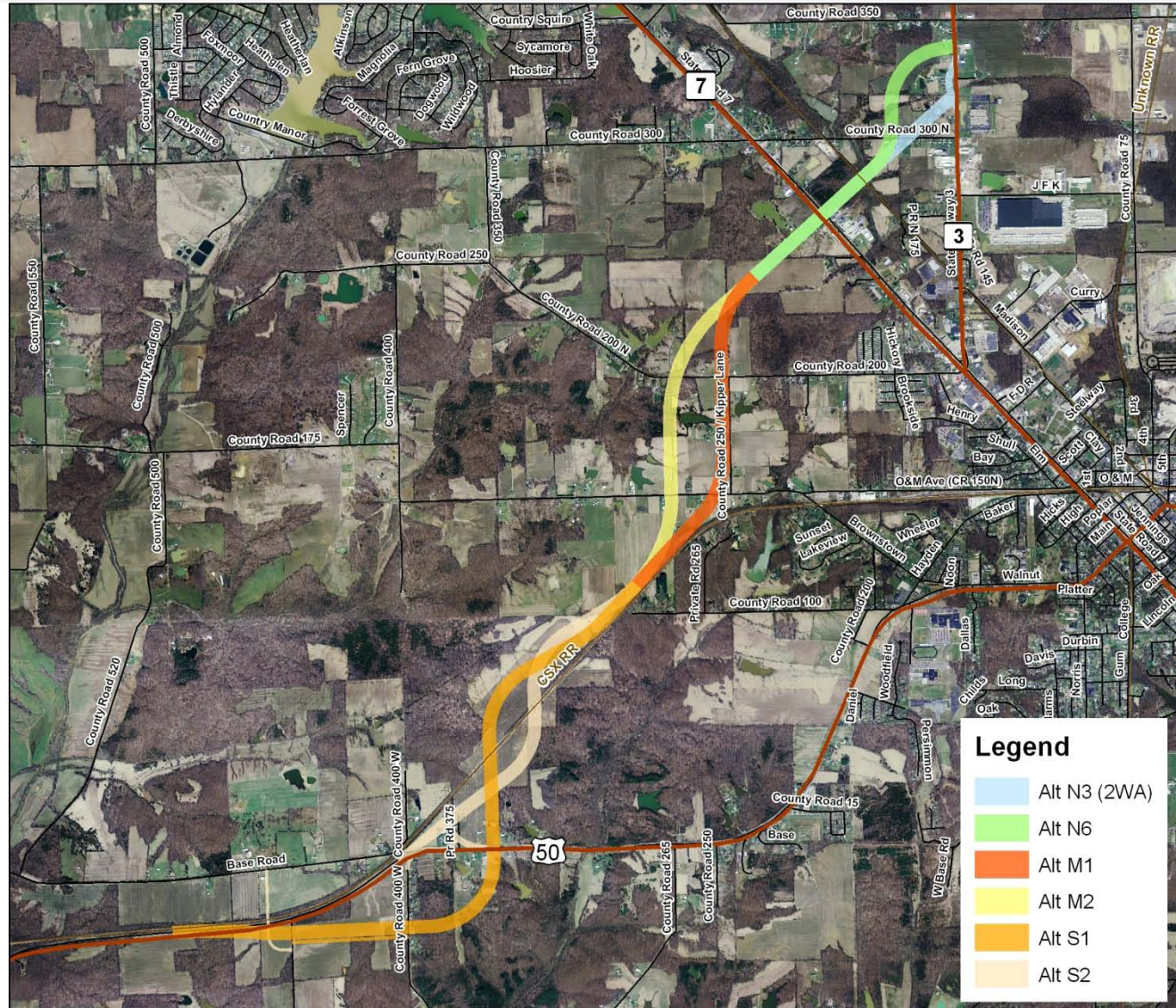
Alternative M1

Alternative M2

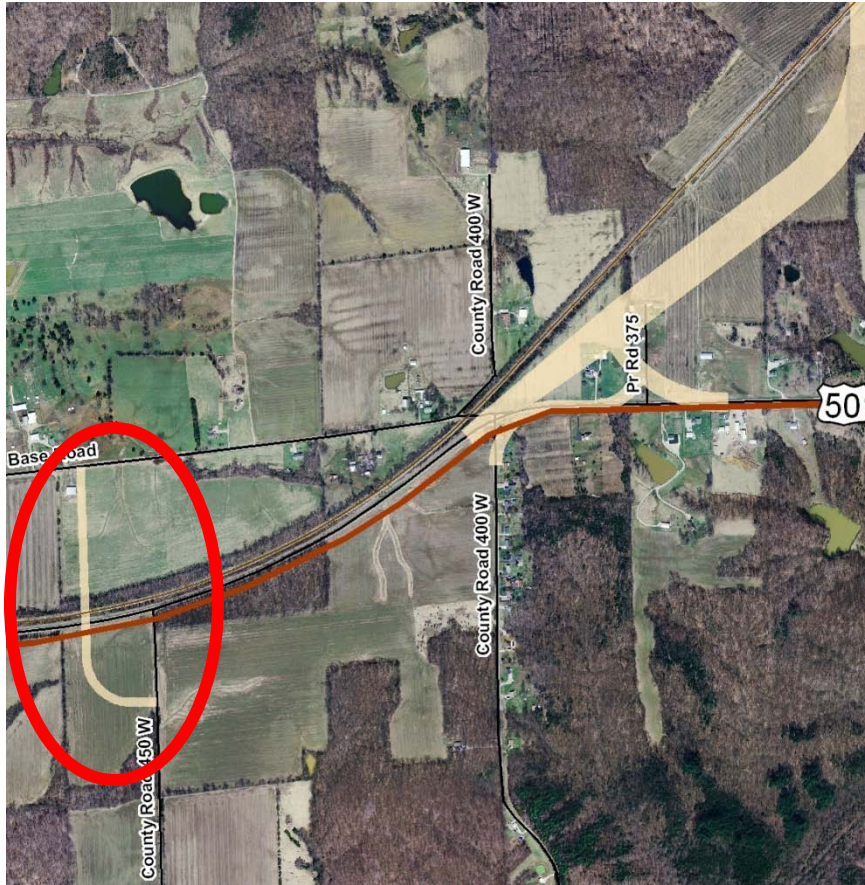
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Alternative N3

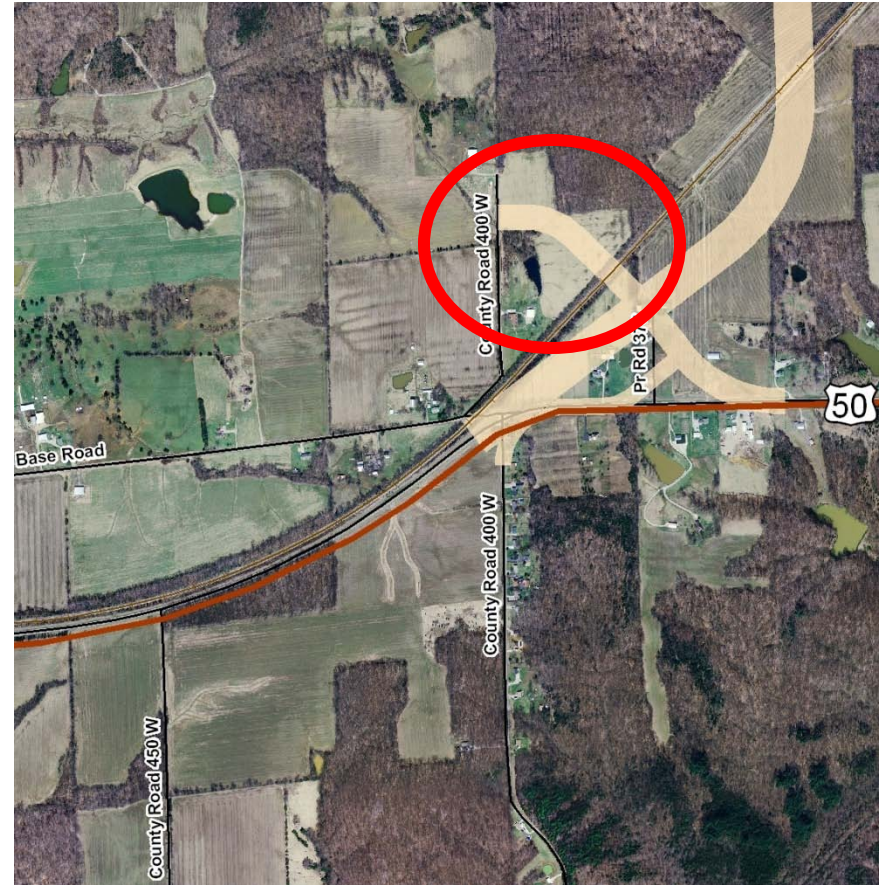
Alternative N6



Changes to Alternative S2



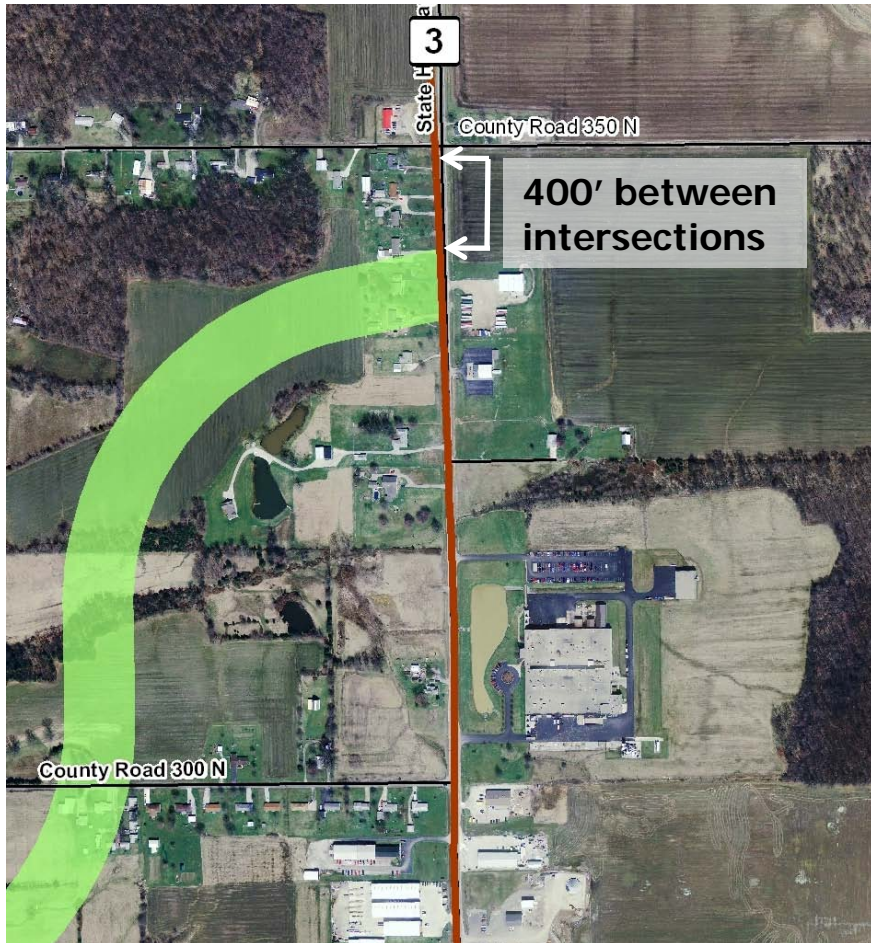
Alternative S2



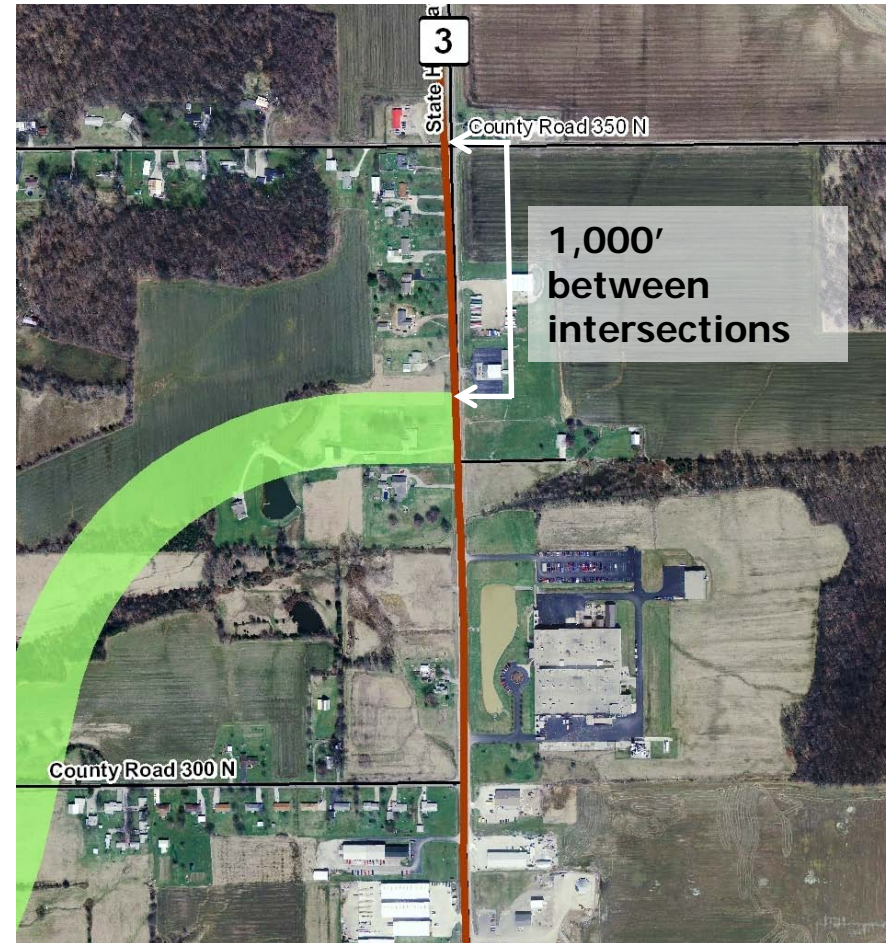
Alternative S2-Modified



Changes to Alternative N6



Alternative N6



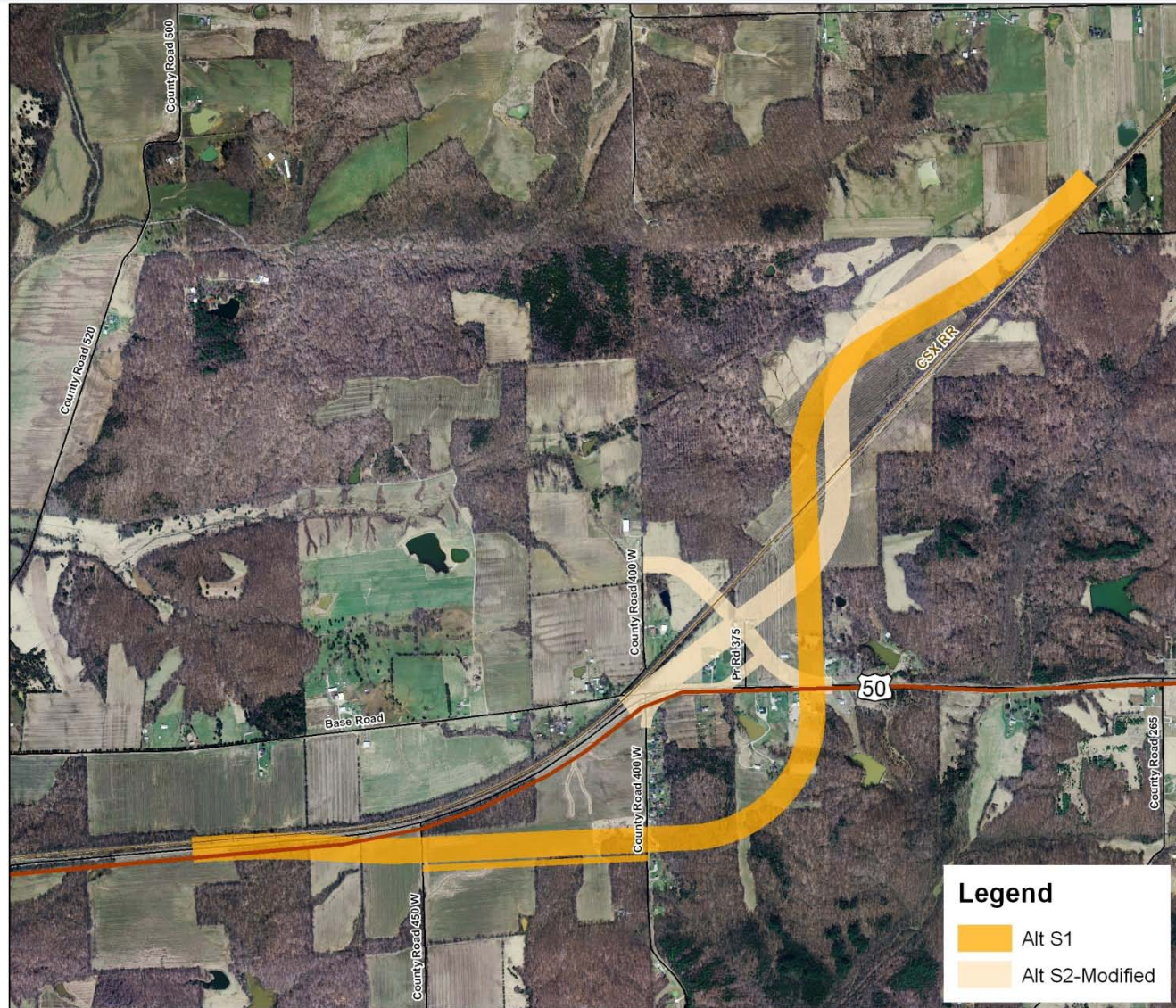
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Southern Section

Preferred Alternative: Alternative S2-Modified

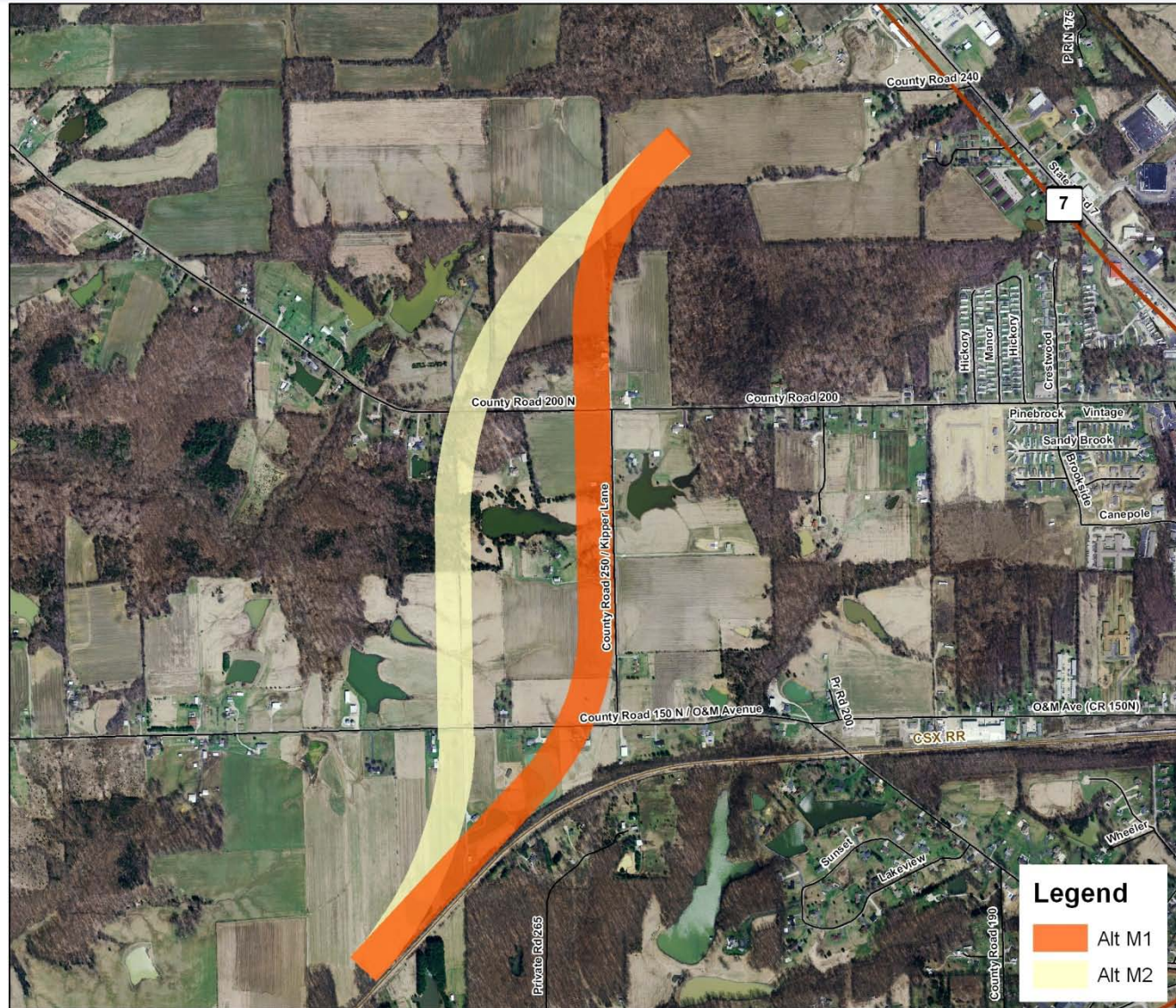
- Preferred by public
- Cost
- Reduced stream impact
- No business relocations
- Reduced impacts to residences on CR 400 W



Middle Section

Preferred Alternative: Alternative M2

- Preferred by public
- Fewer residential relocations
- No impact to Kipper Lane access



Northern Section

Preferred Alternative: Alternative N6-Modified

- Fewest residential relocations
- Does not require realignment of SR 3 (N3)
- Improved SR 3 intersection location (distance from CR 350 N)



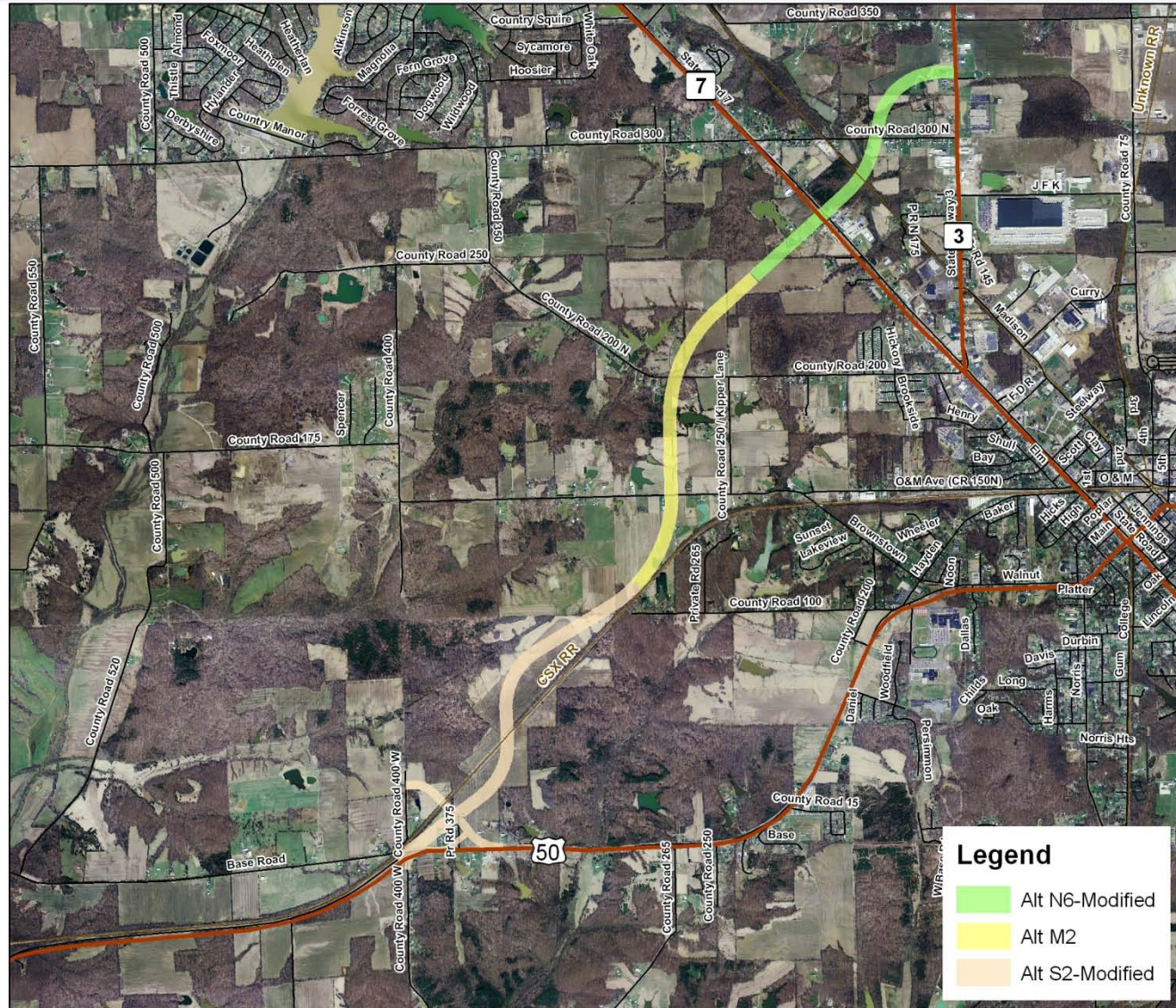
Preferred Alternative

Preferred Alternative:

- S2-Modified
- M2
- N6-Modified

Reasons for selection:

- Efficient connection with existing US 50
- Supports community planning and economic development goals
- Minimizes impacts to residences and businesses
- Minimizes Cost
- Broad public support



Preferred Alternative - Impacts

Preferred Alternative Impact Summary:

11 residential relocations

No business relocations

2.07 acres of wetlands

5,075 feet of streams

112 acres of agricultural land

196 acres of new right-of-way



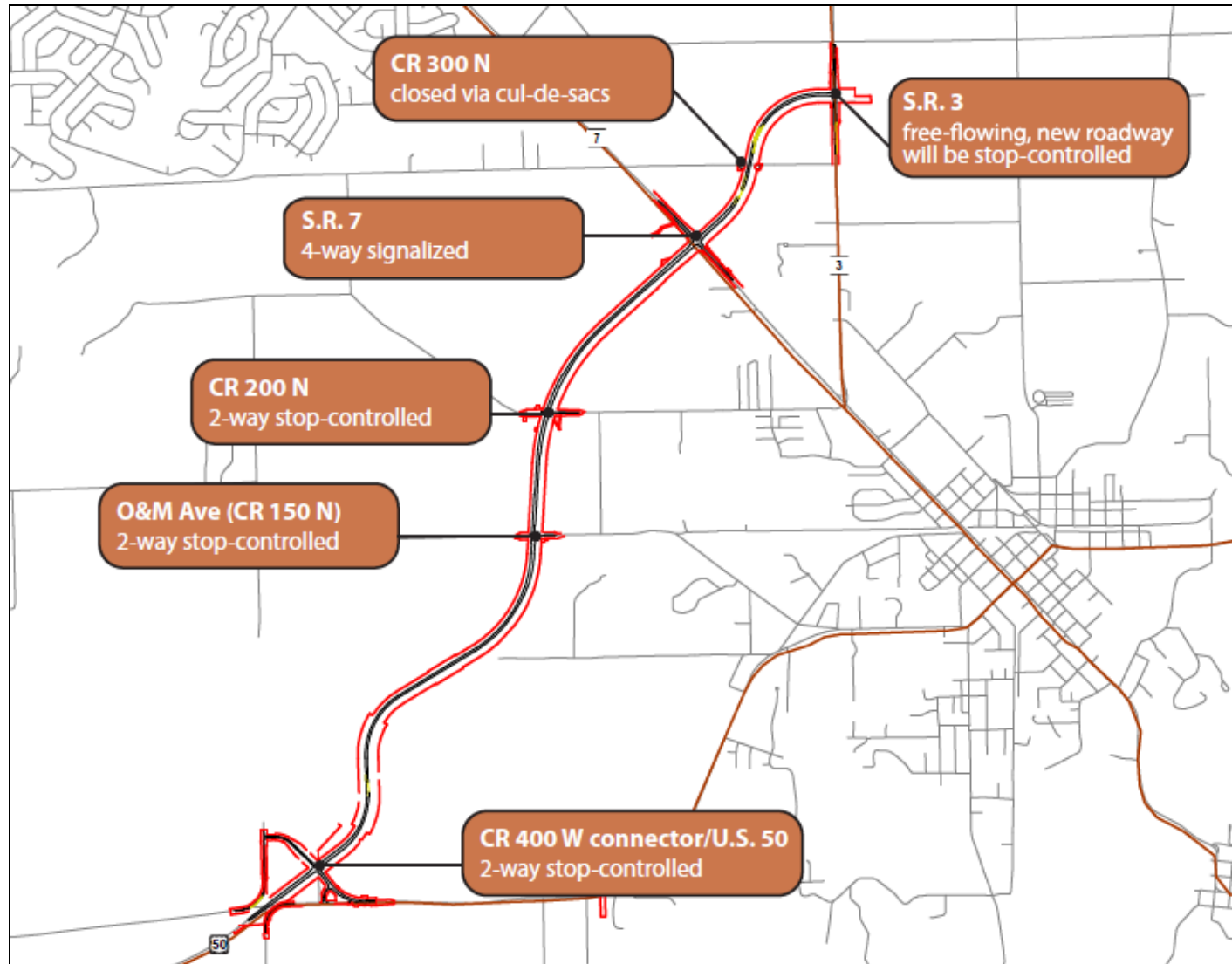
Preferred Alternative - Access

Full Access Intersections

- Existing US 50/CR 400 Access Road
- O&M Avenue (CR 150 N)
- CR 200 N
- SR 7
- SR 3

No Access

- CR 300 N

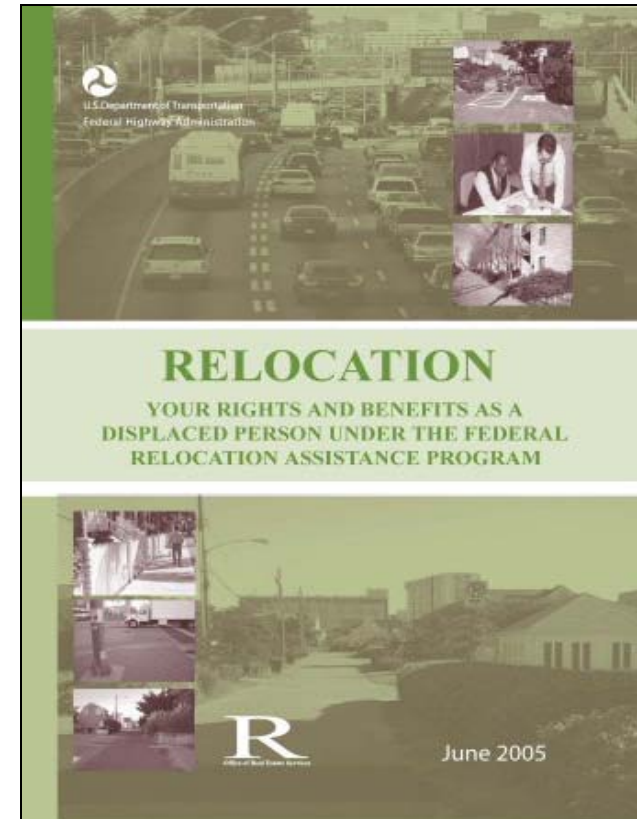
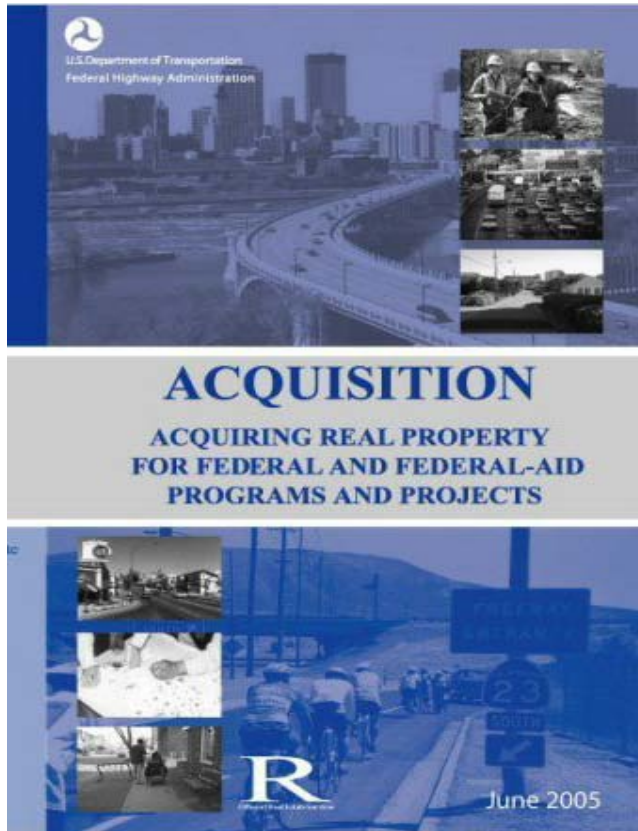


Real Estate Acquisition Process

- **"Uniform Act of 1970"**
 - All federal, state, and local governments must comply
 - Requires an offer for just compensation
- **Acquisition Process**
 - Appraisals
 - Review Appraisals
 - Negotiations



Real Estate Acquisition Process



EA Document Review

■ The Environmental Assessment is available for review at:

- The project website
- Jennings County Public Library
- Jennings County Plan Commission
- INDOT Seymour District Office

■ Ways to comment:

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Comments must be
submitted by
November 28, 2011



Comment Session

- Please be considerate of others
- Please wait on microphone before speaking
- Questions? Please see Project Staff in open house area
- Comments must be submitted by November 28, 2011
- More info:
www.in.gov/indot/div/projects/us50/northvernon/

