

North Mendota Parkway Design

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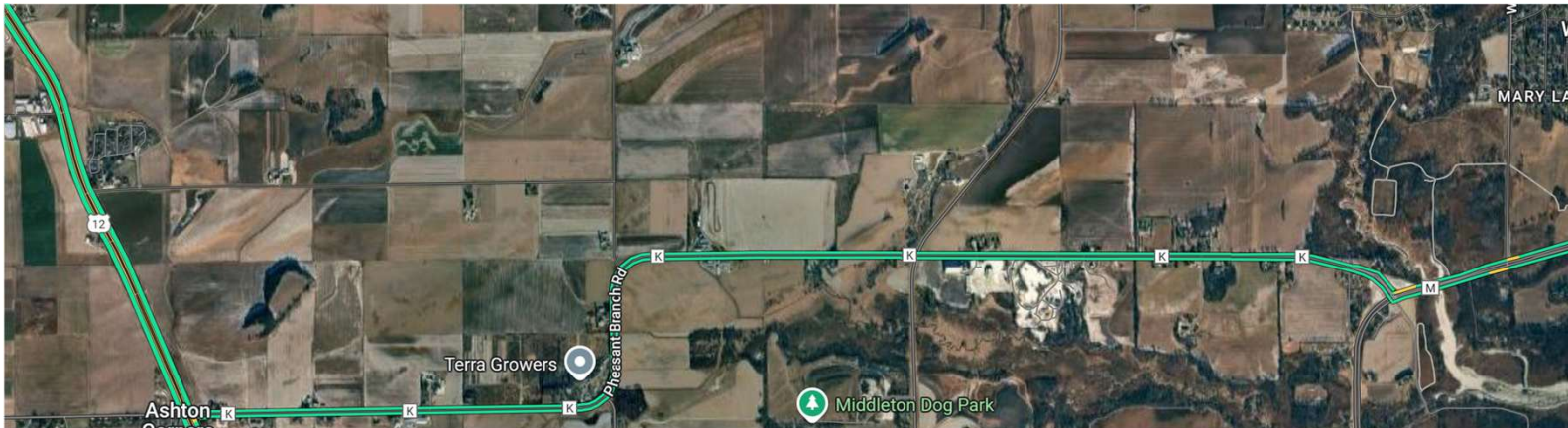
Agenda

- Project Overview
- Context
- Alternative Alignments and proposal
- Vertical and horizontal alignments
- Design standards
- Traffic forecasting
- Intersections
- Final look/Remaining Challenges
- Q&A



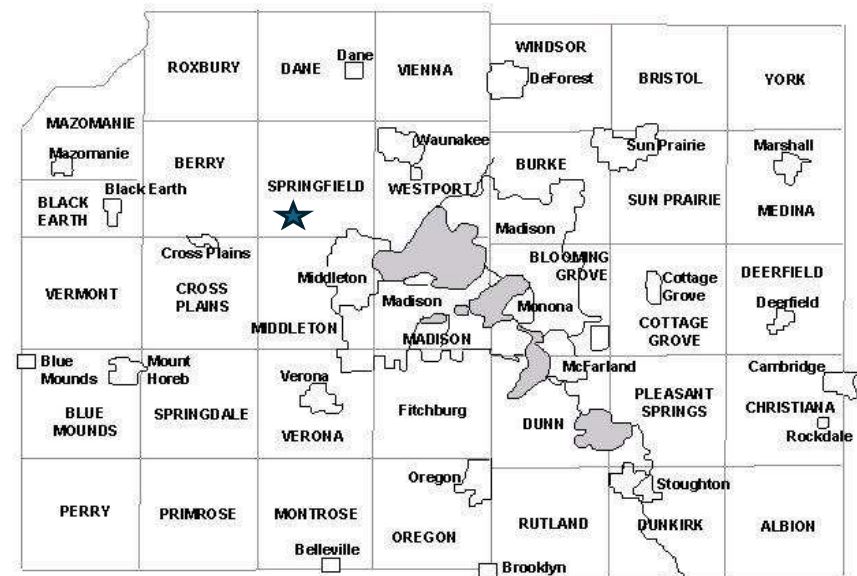
Location

- Dane County
- 4.75 miles long project area
- North of Pre-existing CTH K
- Project connects USH 12 to intersection of CTH K/CTH M



Important Context of the region

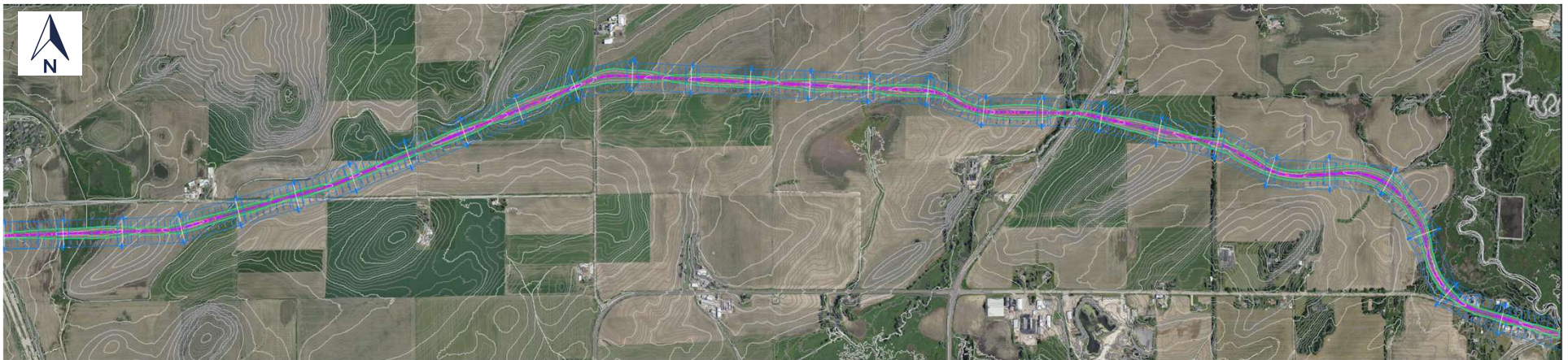
- Springfield township in Dane County
- Population-599,930
- Primarily agricultural community (older population)



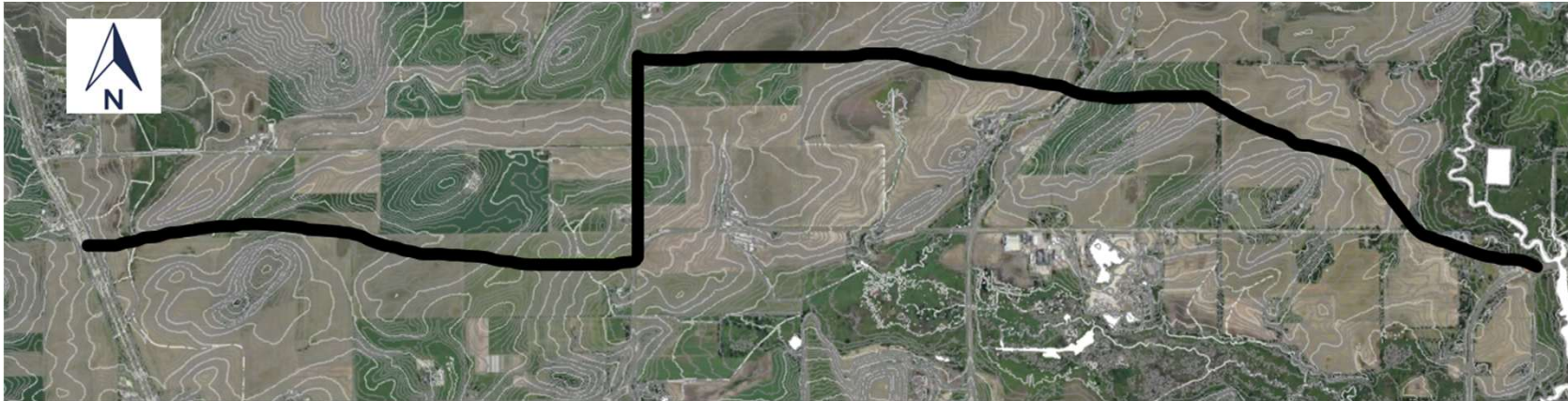
Constraints of the region

- Hydrologic
 - Various streams/rivers that flow through this region
- Farmland
 - A large amount of land use in this region is large-scale or small-scale farming
- Terrain
 - The land in this region is rolling and has areas of higher elevations which was taken into consideration when designing alignments.

Alignment 1



Alignment 2



Proposed alignment

- Alignment 1 overall has a better overall score than alignment 2
- The factors taken into consideration in this phase:
 - Elevation variability
 - Interferences
 - Guideline variability



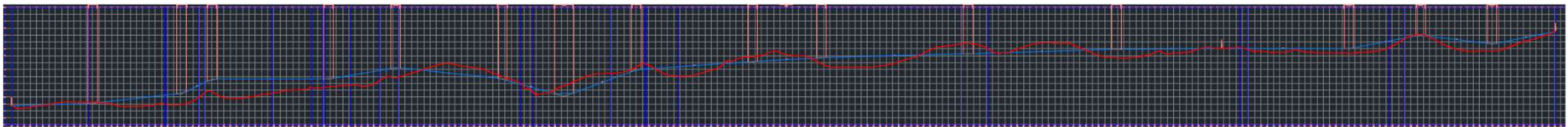
Alignment choice details

- 2 lane roadway (1 in each direction)
- 12 feet per lane
- Shoulder width is 10 feet
- Clear zone is 30 feet
- Based on design speed 6% max of superelevation



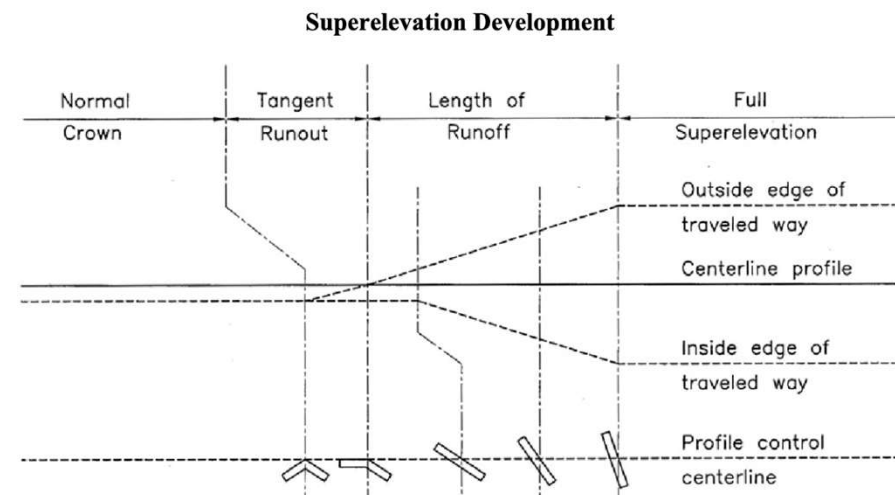
Vertical Alignments

- The maximum allowable grade is 5% for a project of this type (Table 7-4a in the GreenBook).
- Certain areas are cut/fill heavy based on an interference or design requirement.
- Alignment navigates around large changes of elevation in the area



Horizontal Alignments

- Green Book Table 3-7 & 3-16a
 - Minimum Curve Radius
 - Limiting values of superelevation and friction factor
- 1060 feet
- SSD – 495 feet
- Superelevation Runoff – 153 feet
- Tangent Runout – 51 feet



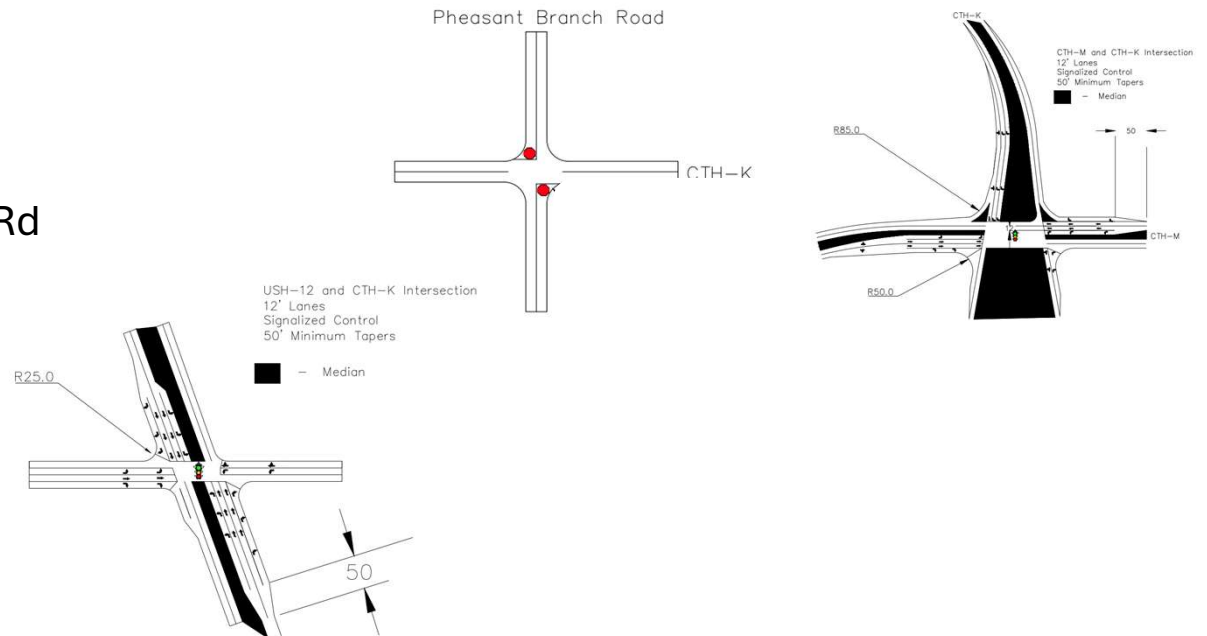
Traffic forecasting

- Average AADT values along existing CTH-K and CTH-Q
 - 2006-2022
 - Design life: 20 years
 - 11800 AADT
- Growth Rate – 0.4%
- Considerations
 - Population growth rate
 - Existing roadway

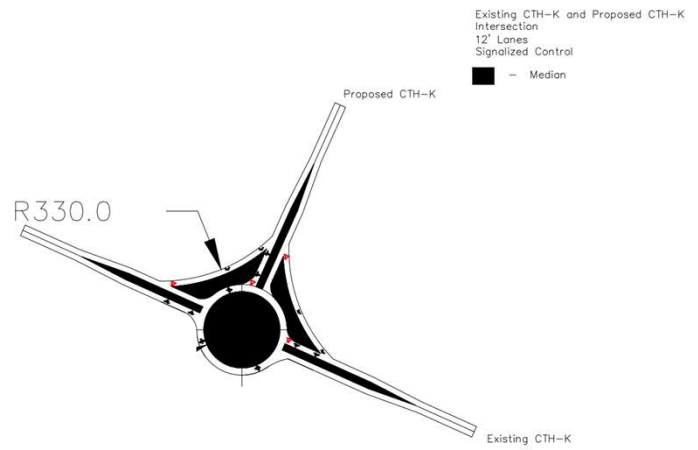
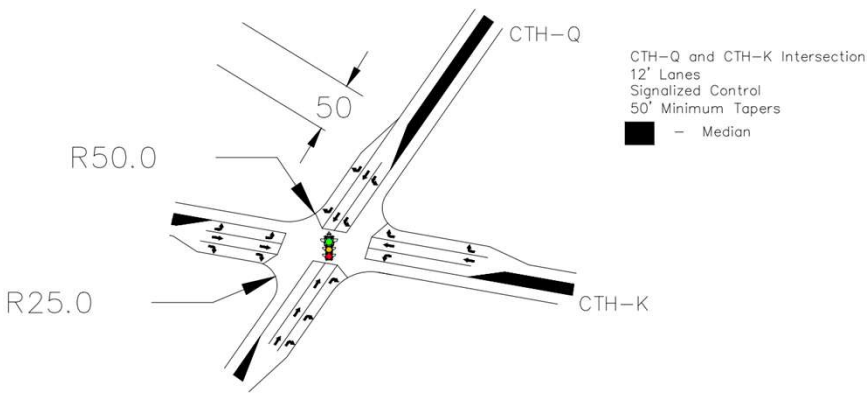


Intersections

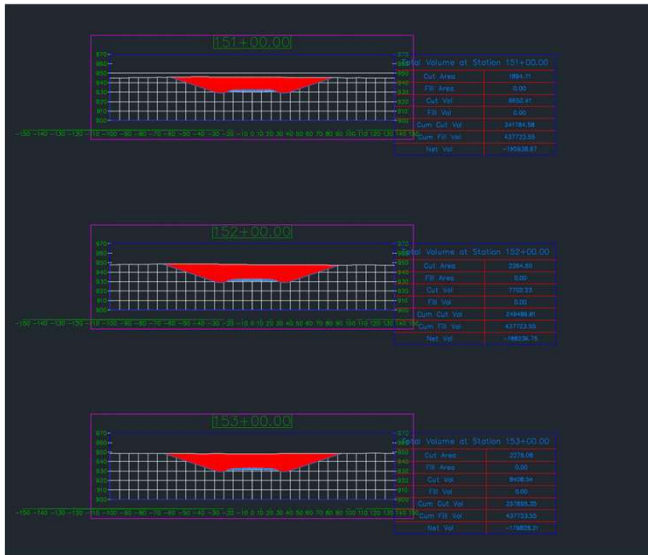
- 6 intersections
- New Intersections
 - CTH-K and Fisher Rd
 - CTH-K and Pheasant Branch Rd
 - CTH-K and CTH-Q
 - CTH-K and Existing CTH-K
- Tie-in intersections
 - CTH-K and USH-12
 - CTH-K and CTH-M



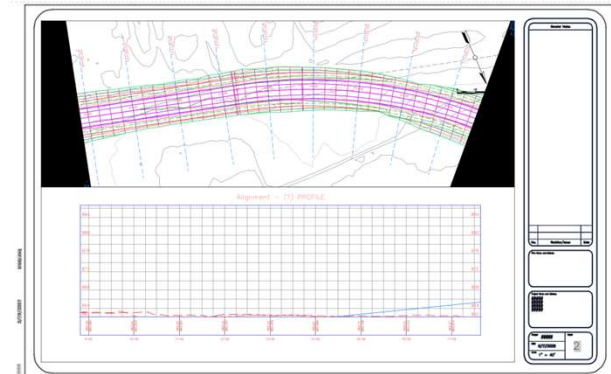
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Final Look/Remaining issues



Point of intersection (needed large cut to follow existing road elevation)



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