

## **Information for File # 2013-04700-RMM**

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**Section:** 12

**Township:** 124 North

**Range:** 29 West

**Information Complete On:** May 14, 2015

**Posting Expires On:** June 1, 2015

**Authorization Type:** LOP-05-MN

This application is being reviewed in accordance with the practices for documenting Corps jurisdiction under Sections 9 & 10 of the Rivers and Harbor Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act identified in Regulatory Guidance Letter 07-01. We have made a preliminary determination that the aquatic resources that would be impacted by the proposed project are regulated by the Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Our jurisdictional review and final jurisdictional determination could result in modifications to the scope of the project's regulated waterbody/wetland impacts and compensatory mitigation requirements identified above. Any approved jurisdictional determination made prior to reaching a permit decision will be posted on the St. Paul District web page at <http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/>.

### **Project Description and Purpose (As stated by the applicant):**

The proposed project involves the construction of a pedestrian/bicycle/snowmobile and in-line skate trail in the railroad and county right-of-way. The trail will be an extension of the Wobegon Trail from its current ending point in the City of St. Joseph to River's Edge Park in the City of Waite Park.

The purpose is to provide an east-west corridor across the greater St. Cloud area to connect the urban core of central Minnesota to the Lake Wobegon Trail. Additionally,

they want to provide exercise opportunities and to provide additional tourist attractions to the area.

The trail will be ten feet wide with an asphalt surface and two foot gravel shoulders. It is being built on the south side of the railroad tracks so that the trail will not have to cross the railroad tracks. The railroad is continually seeking to minimize or reduce the number of times the tracks are crossed by roads or trails. This is both a safety and economic consideration.

**Name, Area and Types of Waters (Including Wetlands) Subject to Loss:**

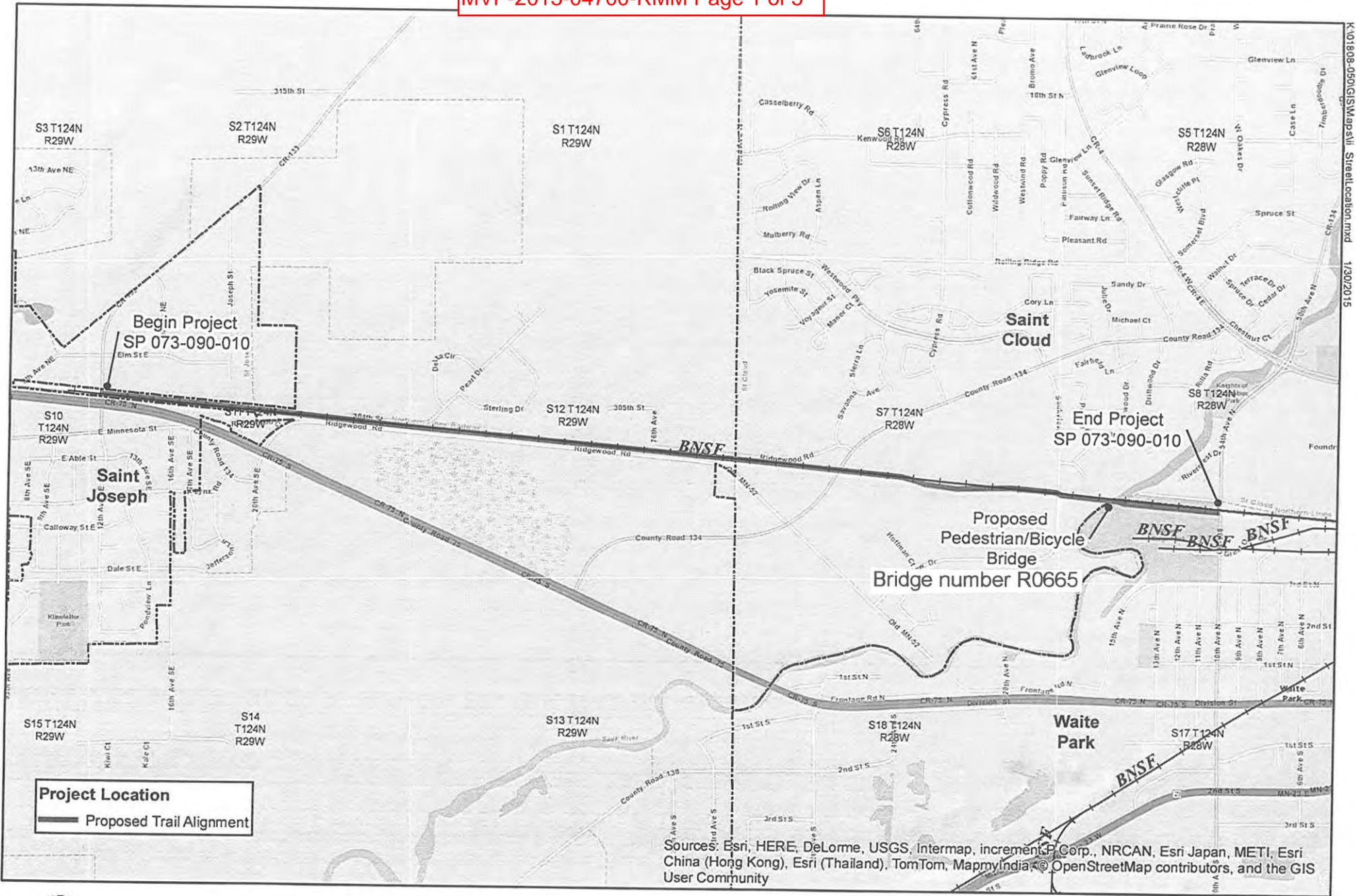
Permanent Wetland Impacts	
Wetland ID	Impact (Acre)
A	1.03
B	0.96
C	0.51
D	0.10
E	0.48
Total	3.08
Total Permanent Wetland Impacts: 3.08 Acres	

Temporary Wetland Impacts	
Wetland ID	Impact (Acre)
C	0.06
D	0.01
E	0.06
Total	0.13
Total Temporary Wetland Impacts: 0.13 Acre	

**Compensatory Mitigation:**

The applicant is proposing to meet compensatory mitigation requirements by securing wetland mitigation bank credits at a ratio of 2:1 from a Corps-approved wetland bank in Bank Service Area 7.

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**ii: Project Location (Street Map View)**  
**Lake Wobegon Trail**  
**SP No. 073-090-010**  
**Stearns County, MN**  
**Project Memorandum - February 2015**



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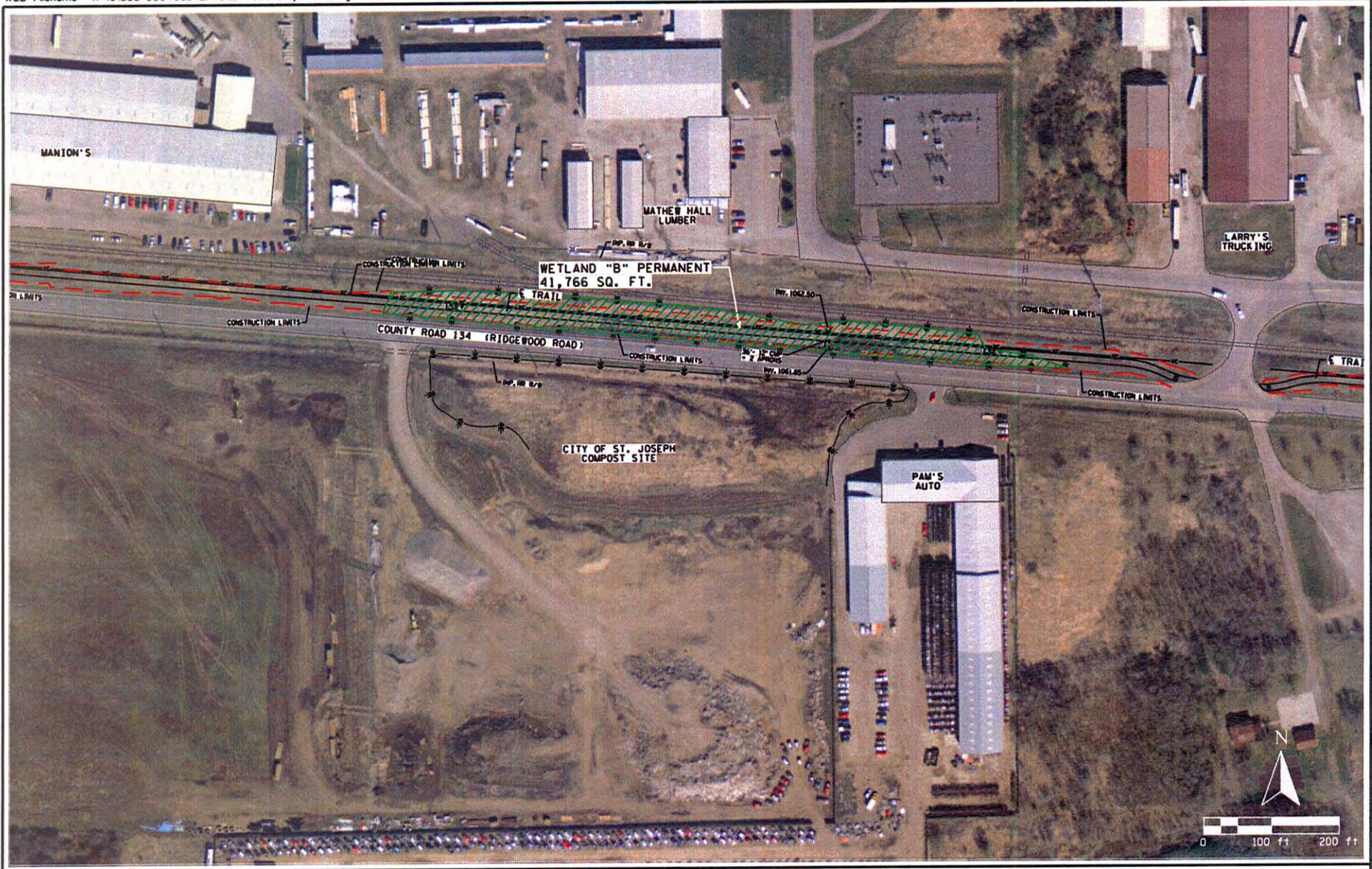


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Figure Number 1  
Wetland A  
Wetland Impacts

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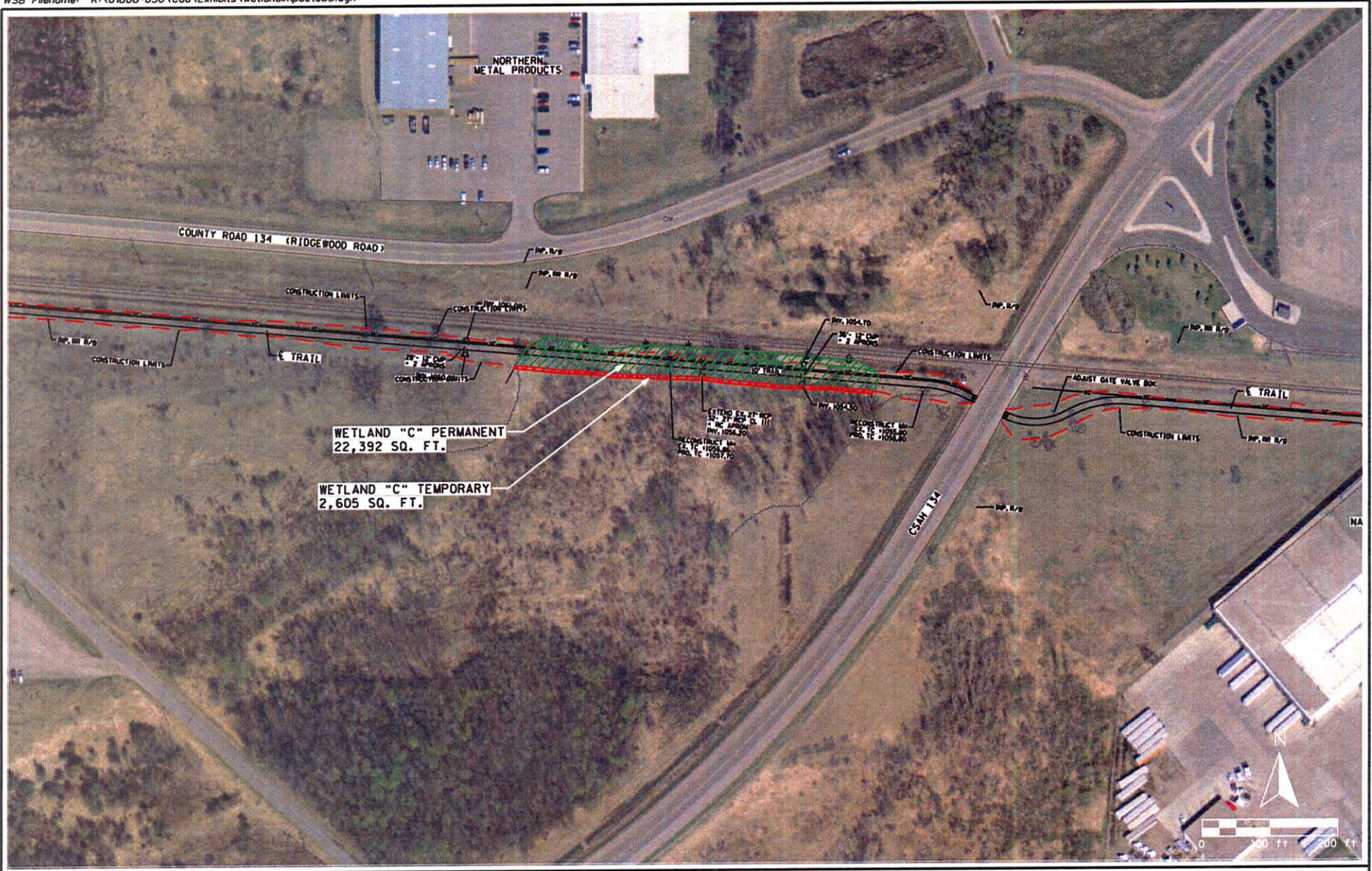
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**Figure Number 2**  
**Wetland B**  
**Wetland Impacts**

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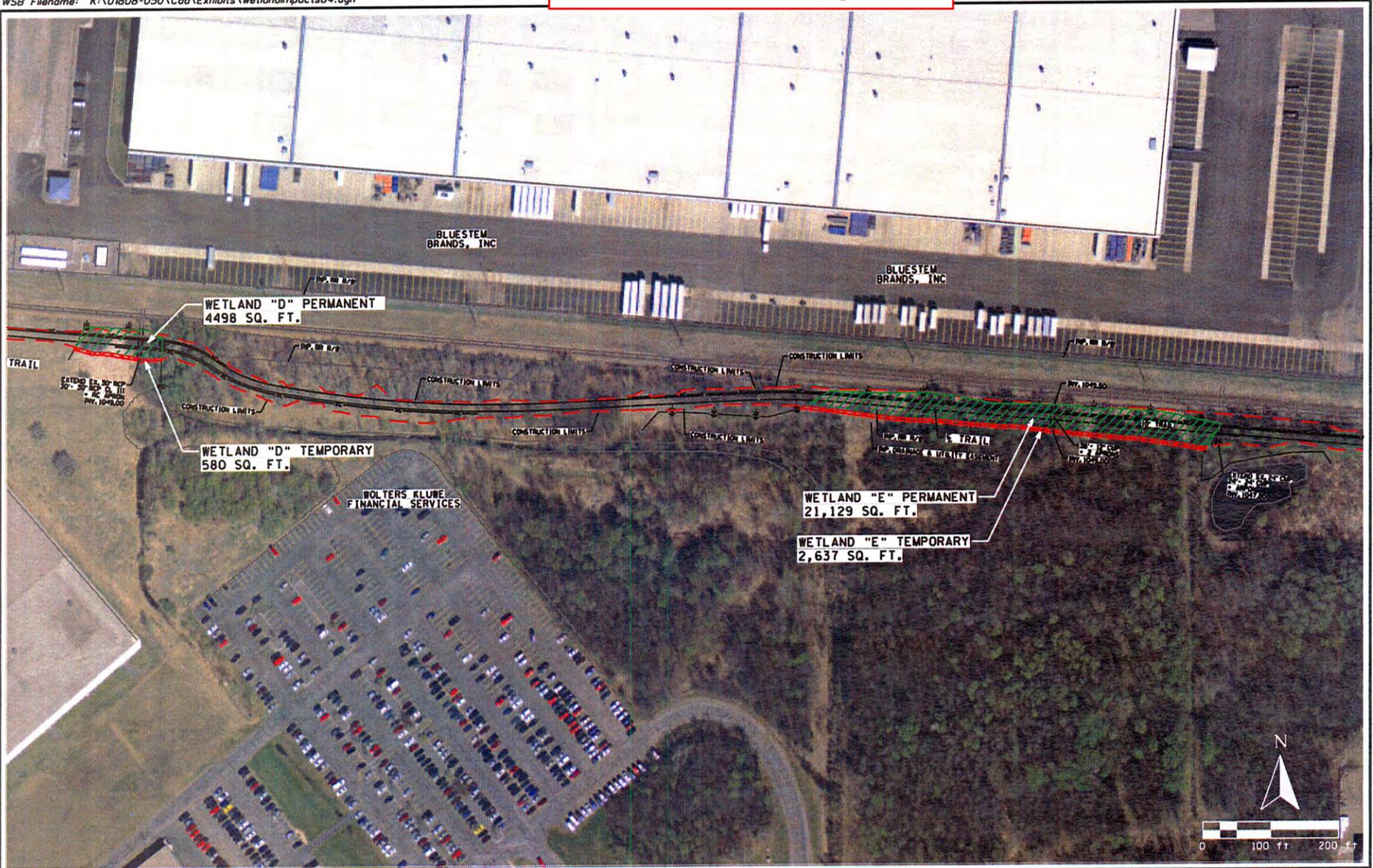


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**Figure Number 3**  
**Wetland C**  
**Wetland Impacts**

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"E" sta ~~247+40~~ to sta 255+45



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Figure Number 4  
 Wetland D & E  
 Wetland Impacts