

PUBLIC HEARING SCRAPBOOK



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has conducted a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for improvements to I-75 from Fowler Avenue to south of State Road (SR) 56 and a Design Change Reevaluation from south of SR 56 to County Road (CR) 54 in Hillsborough and Pasco Counties. The original PD&E Study evaluated adding two lanes (one lane in each direction) to the existing roadway and was approved by the FHWA on November 27, 2000. For the analysis, the project was divided into six segments. The project study limits and the segments are shown on the map below.

The purpose of this Public Hearing Scrapbook is to document the information that was presented at the Hearing. This document includes the following information:

- a description of the project
- the need for the project
- planned improvements
- display graphics presented
- citizen, FDOT and consultant sign-in-sheets
- brochure and comment form distributed

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The PD&E Study addressed proposed improvements to I-75 from south of Fowler Avenue

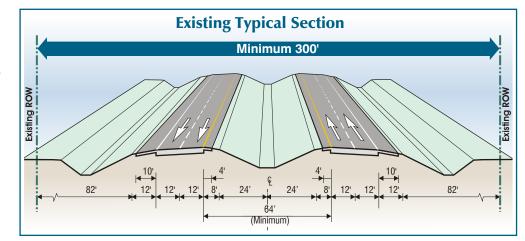
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to south of SR 56 in the vicinity of Cypress Creek. The existing facility is typically a four-lane limited access highway. The study evaluated six-lane and six-lane with auxiliary lanes typical section alternatives and a No-Build Alternative.

A PD&E Study Reevaluation of Work Program Item Segment No. 258736 1 addressed the I-75 section from south of SR 56. in the vicinity of Cypress Creek, to just south of CR 54. The original PD&E Study evaluated adding two lanes (one lane in each direction) to the existing roadway and was approved by the FHWA on November 27, 2000.

The limits of the PD&E and Reevaluation studies are shown on the map to the left.

Within the project limits I-75 generally has four 12-foot travel lanes (two in each direction), 8-foot inside shoulders, 10-foot or 12-foot shoulders, separated by a median that varies in width from 64 feet to 112 feet. In addition, there are auxiliary lanes in some locations. The existing typical section is shown below.



The number of existing lanes varies throughout the project limits.

PROJECT NEED

Traffic demand along I-75 from Fowler Avenue to CR 54 has increased in recent years. Several segments of I-75 and its ramps are currently experiencing Level of Service F in the peak hours. Forecasts indicate further traffic increases due to development in northern Hillsborough and southern Pasco Counties. The Traffic Technical Memorandum prepared for this project recommends that I-75 be widened to provide additional capacity throughout the study limits.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held on December 17, 2003, from 5:00 p.m., to 7:00 p.m., with the formal portion beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the following location:

Florida Department of Transportation, District 7 Headquarters Auditorium 11201 N. McKinley Drive Tampa, Florida

Forty-four people (not including FDOT staff) signed the attendance rosters. Three oral statements were provided to the court reporter during the informal portion of the Hearing, one oral comment was provided during the formal portion of the Hearing and 86 written comment sheets were received. One written comment form and one oral comment included comments on both noise and some other issue. Thus, 92 comments were received. Project documents displayed at the Hearing included the Preliminary Engineering Report and the environmental documents (Categorical Exclusion and Design Change Reevaluation).

RECOMMENDED "BUILD" ALTERNATIVE

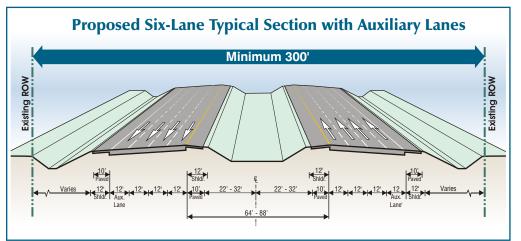
In general, the Recommended "Build" Alternative will add at least one additional lane in each direction for the length of the project and, in some locations, auxiliary lanes will be added. The typical section varies throughout the project segments.

In Segments A, B, C and F the typical section will have three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, one 12-foot auxiliary lanes each direction and 12-foot inside and outside shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved.

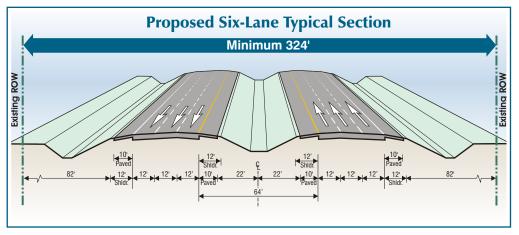
In Segment A, a merge/diverge lane would be provided for each direction of travel between the on- and off-ramps between Fowler and Fletcher Avenues.

In Segment D, the typical section will consist of three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, 12-foot inside and outside shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved and a 64-foot median.

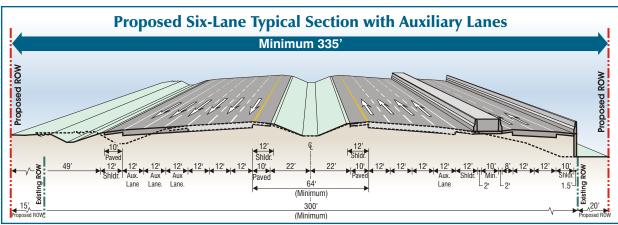
The typical section for Segment E will consist of three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, three 12-foot auxiliary lanes in the southbound direction, one 12-foot auxiliary lane in the northbound direction, 12-foot shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved and a 64foot median. A two-lane ramp will run parallel to the mainline to SR 56. The typical sections are shown below.



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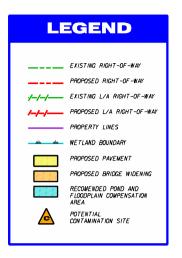
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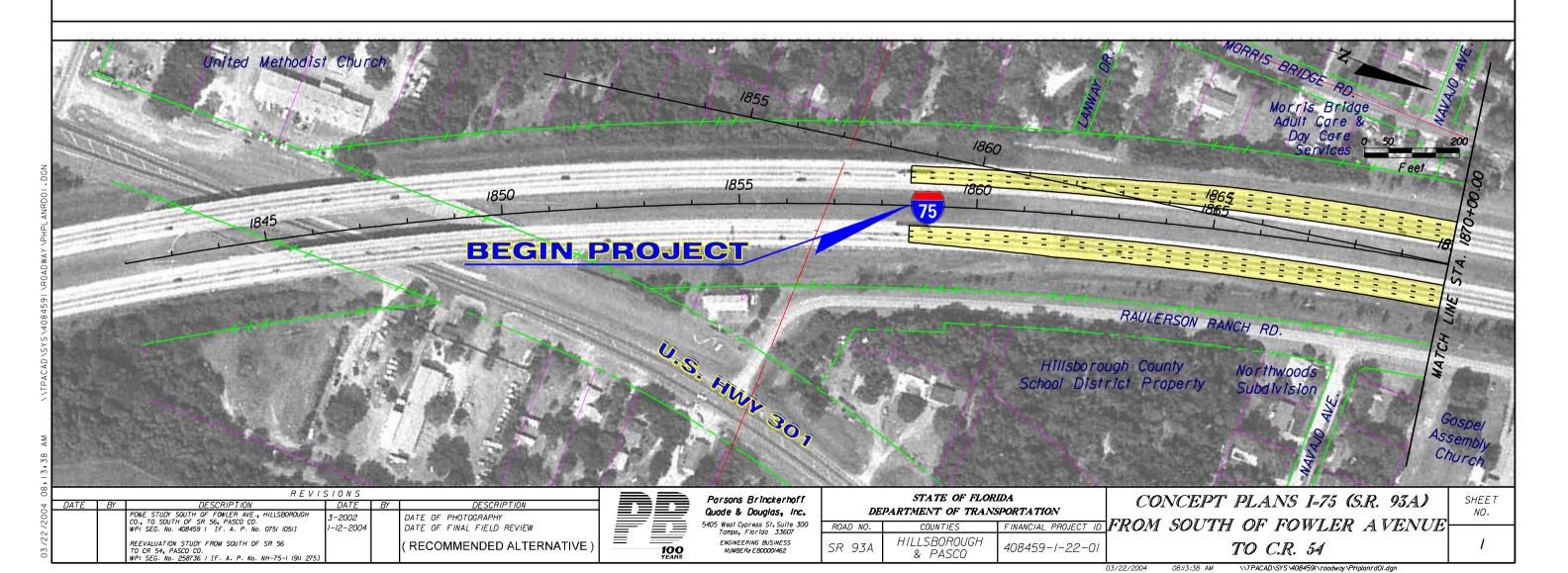


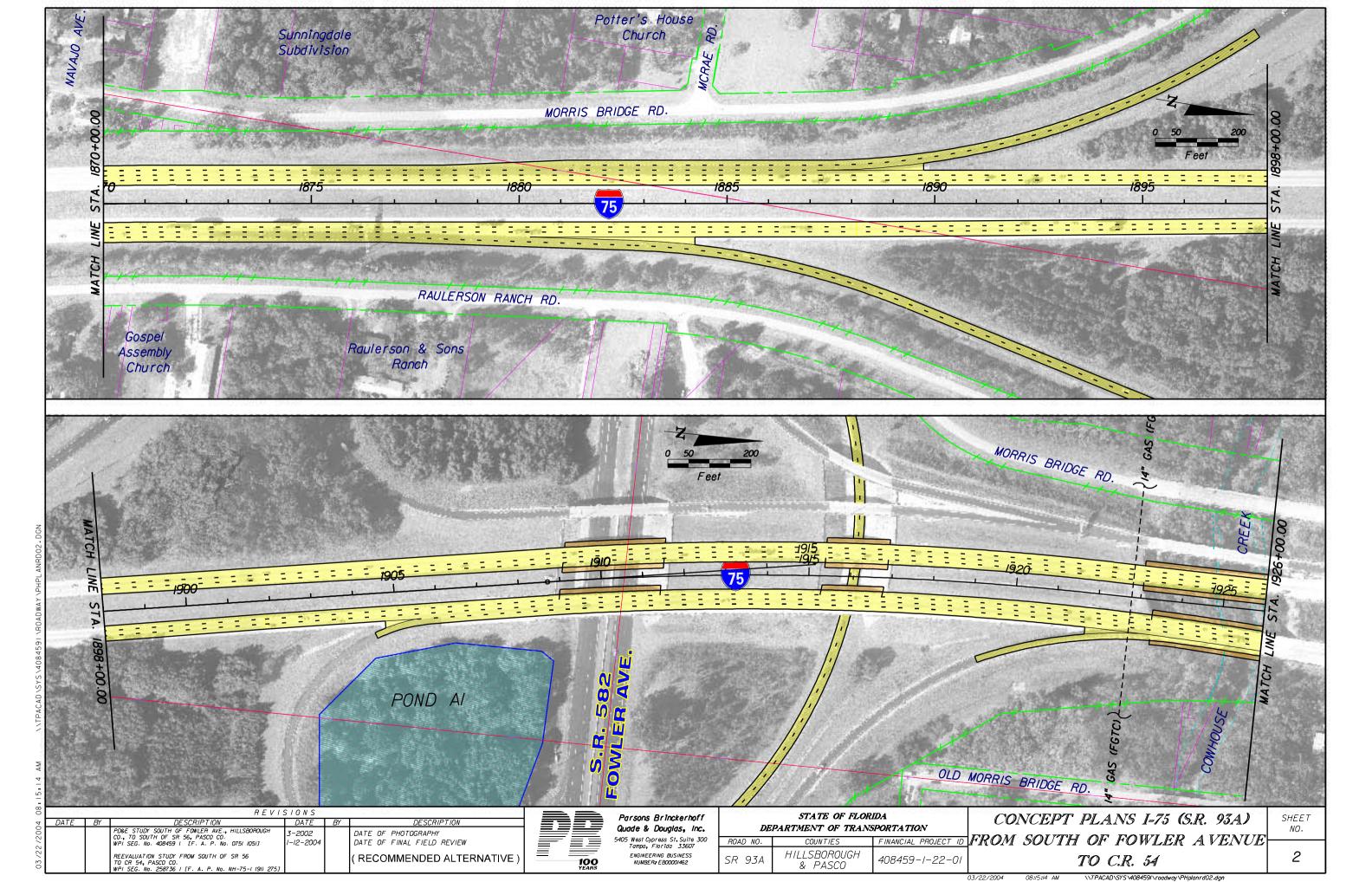
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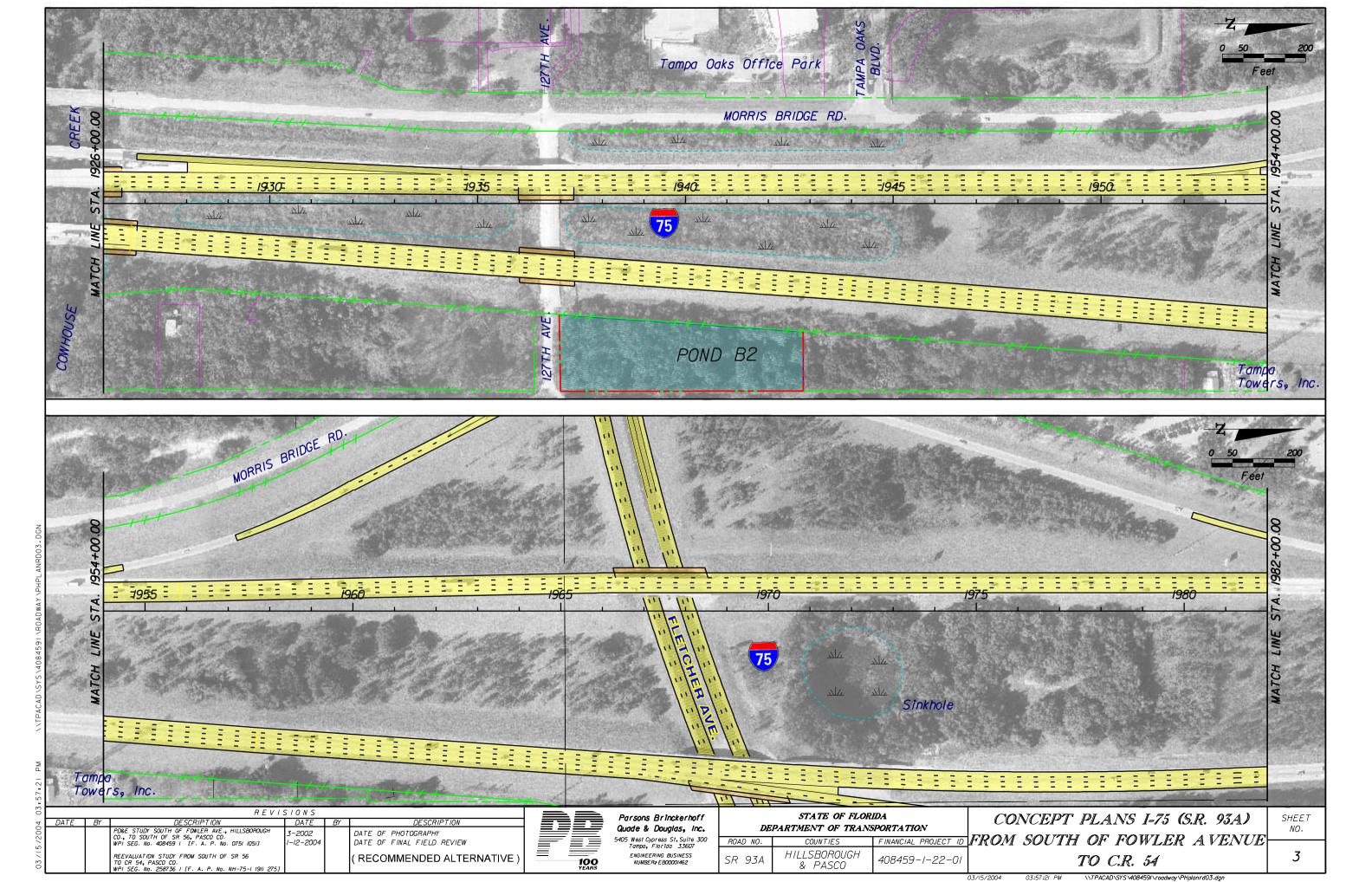


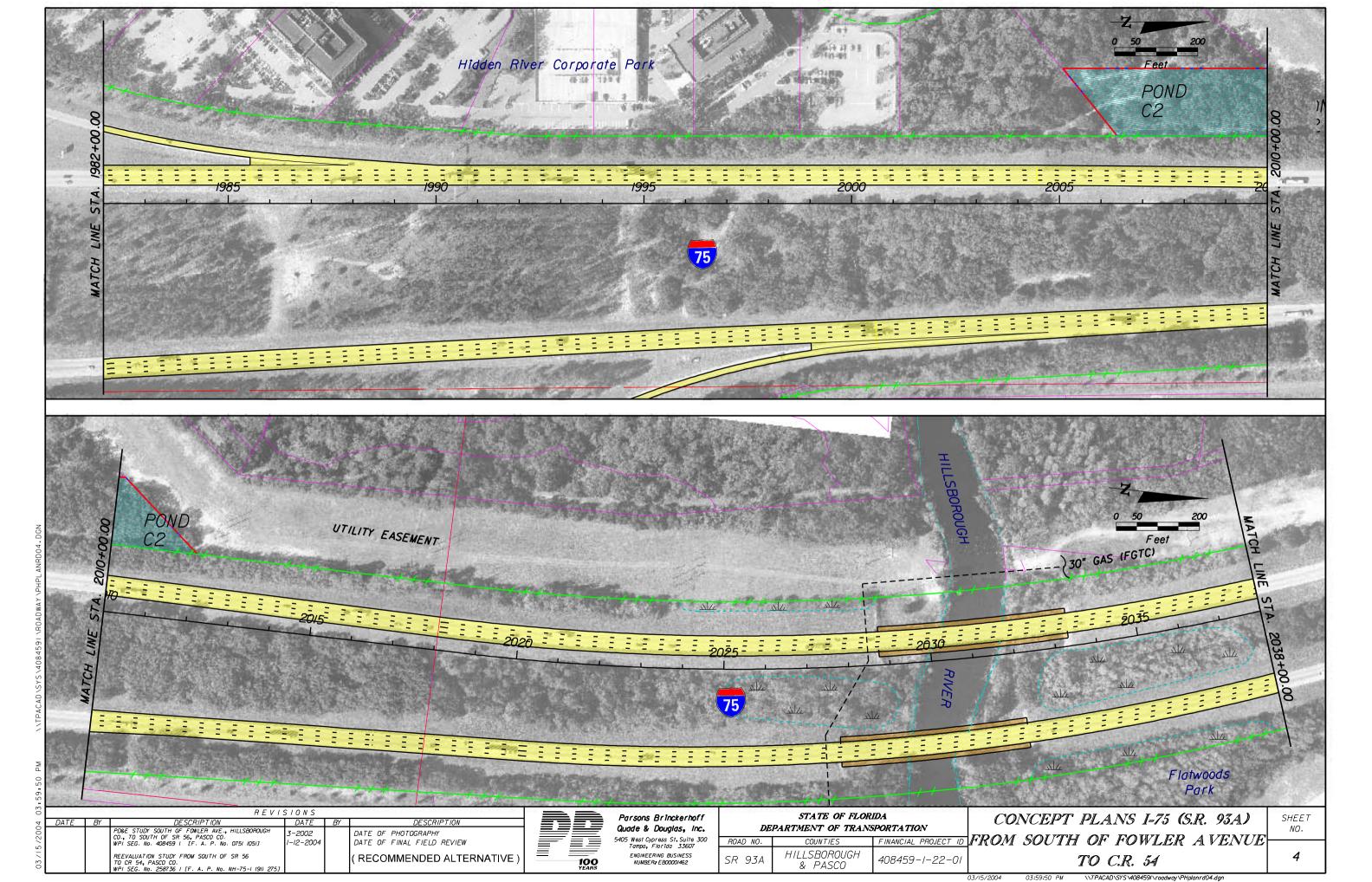
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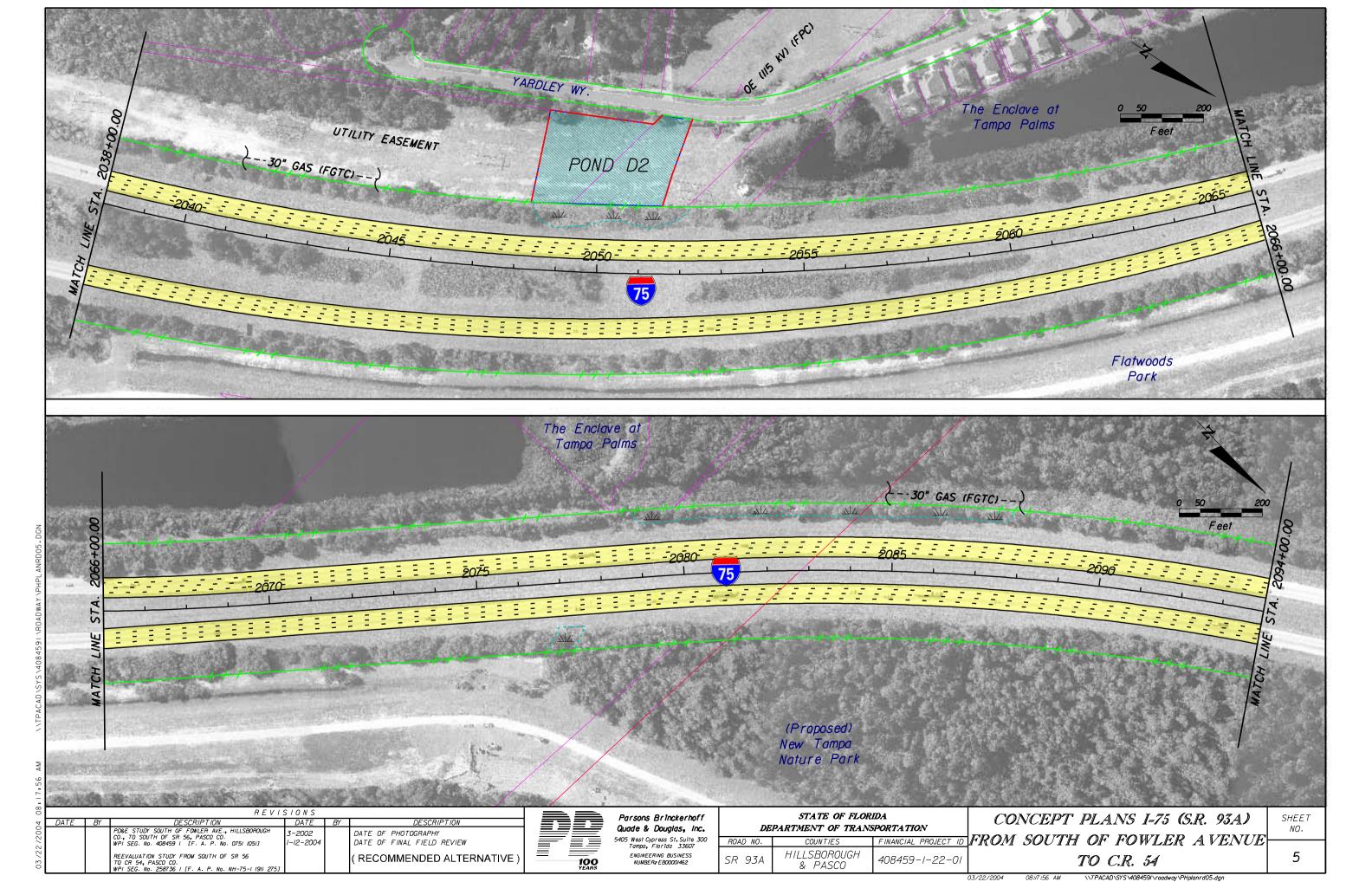


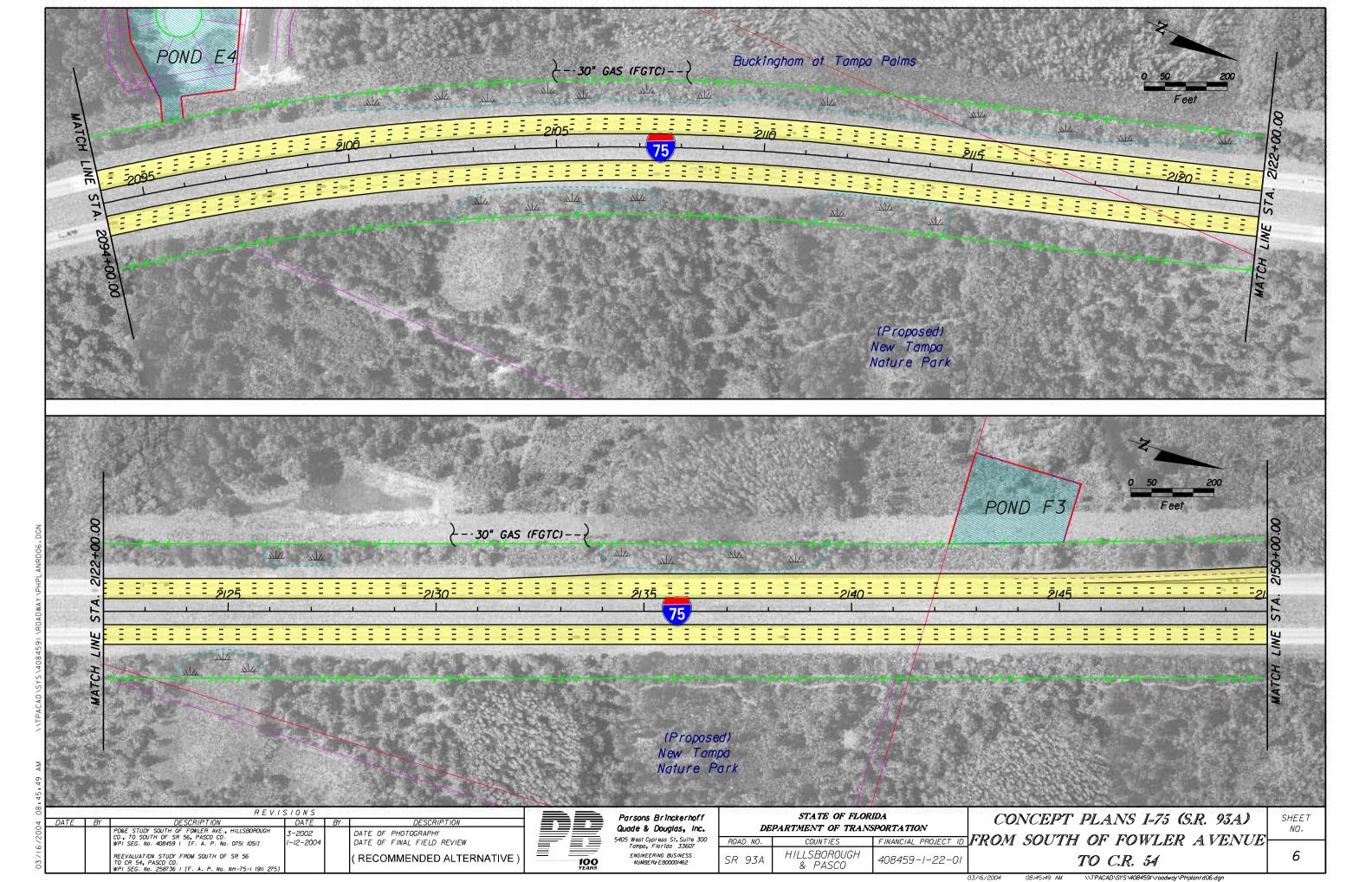


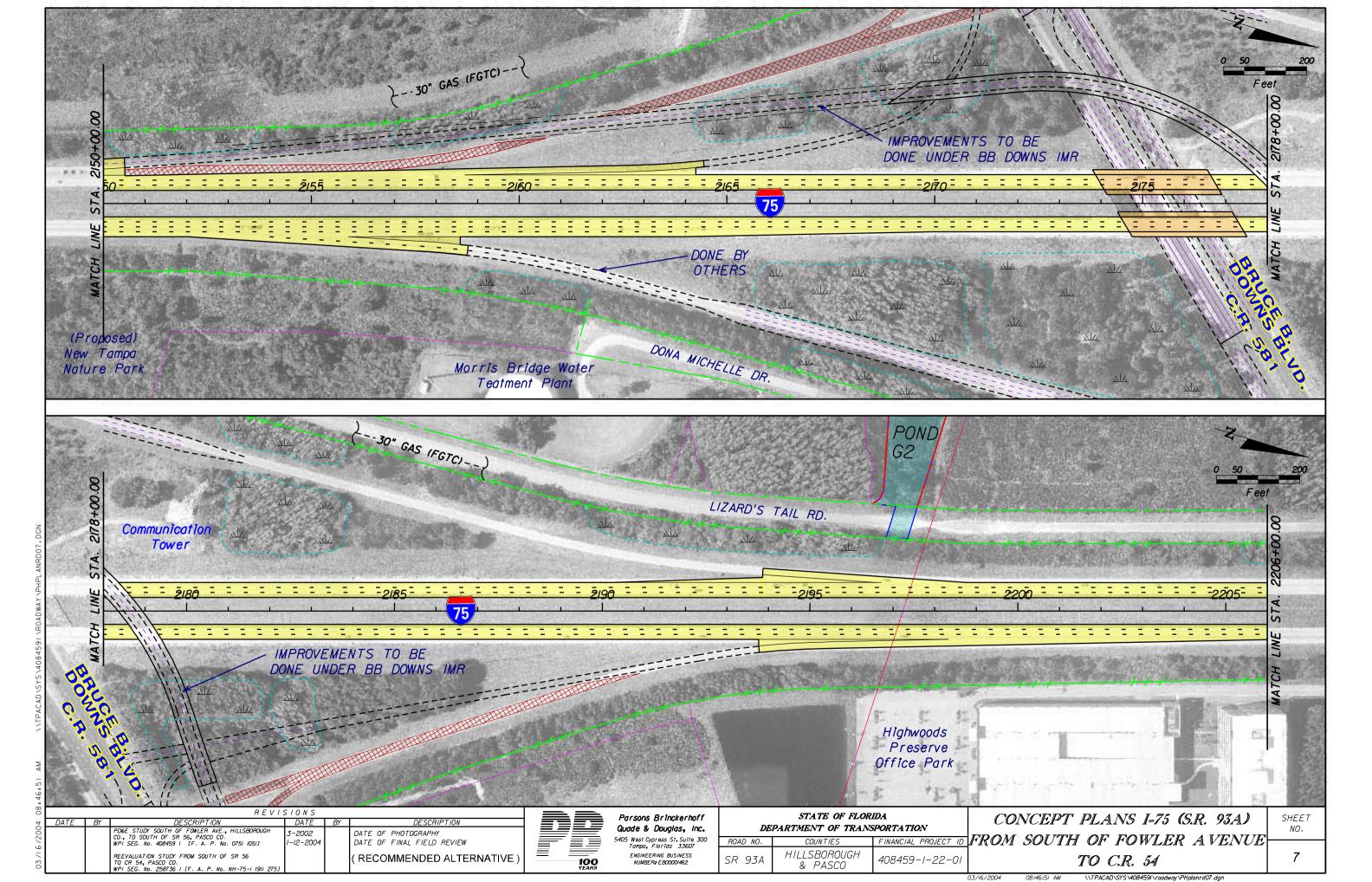


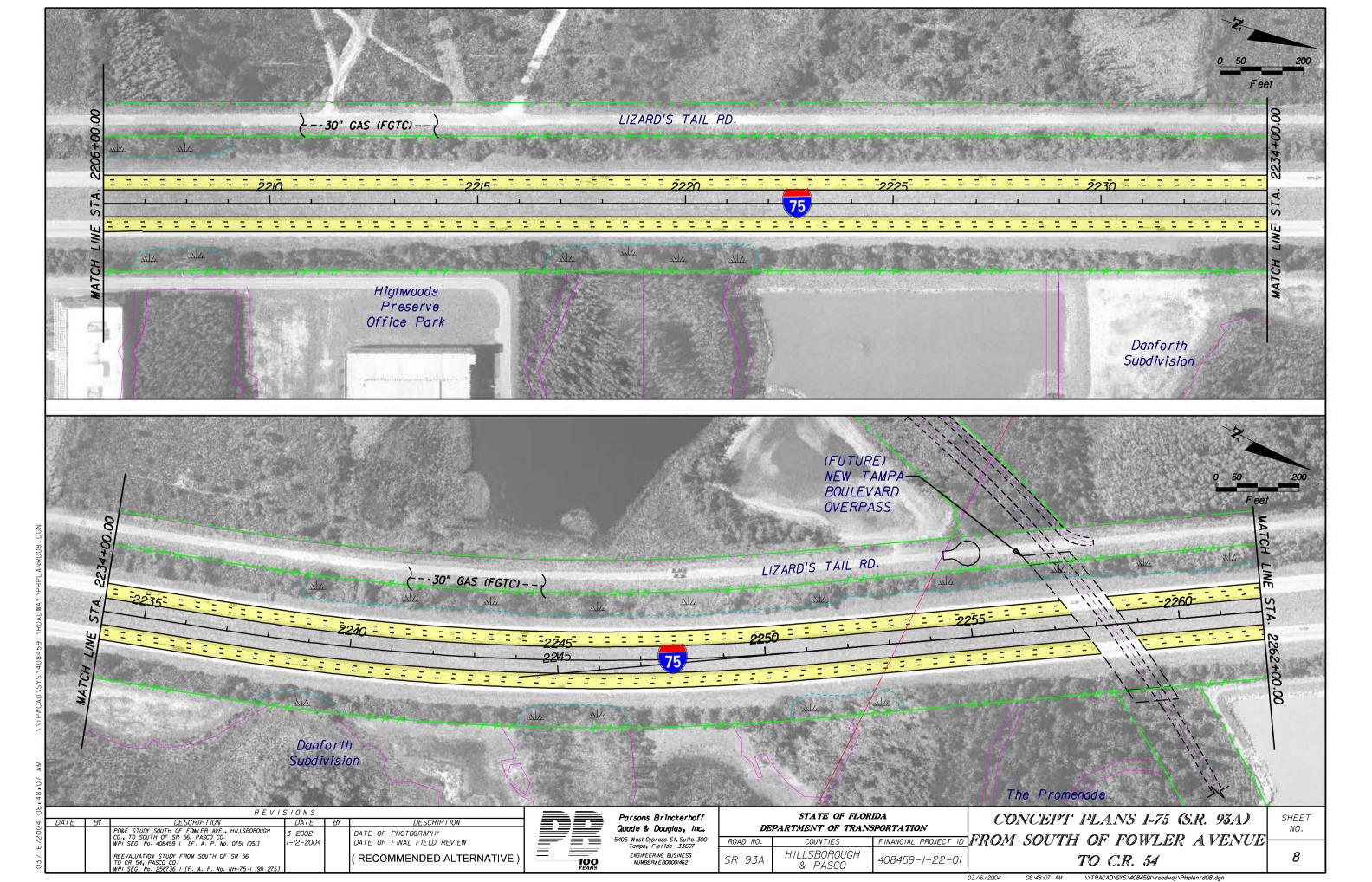


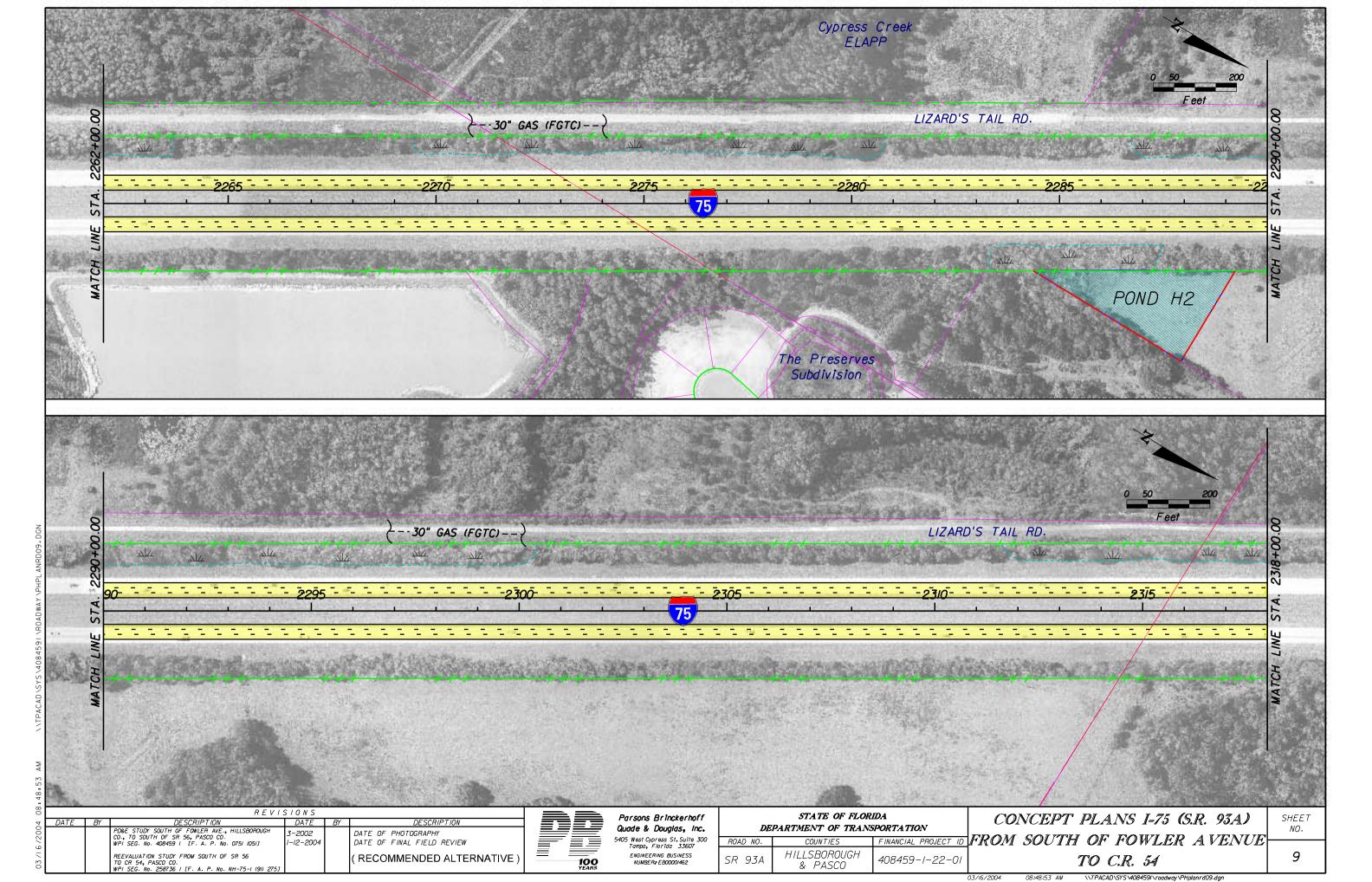


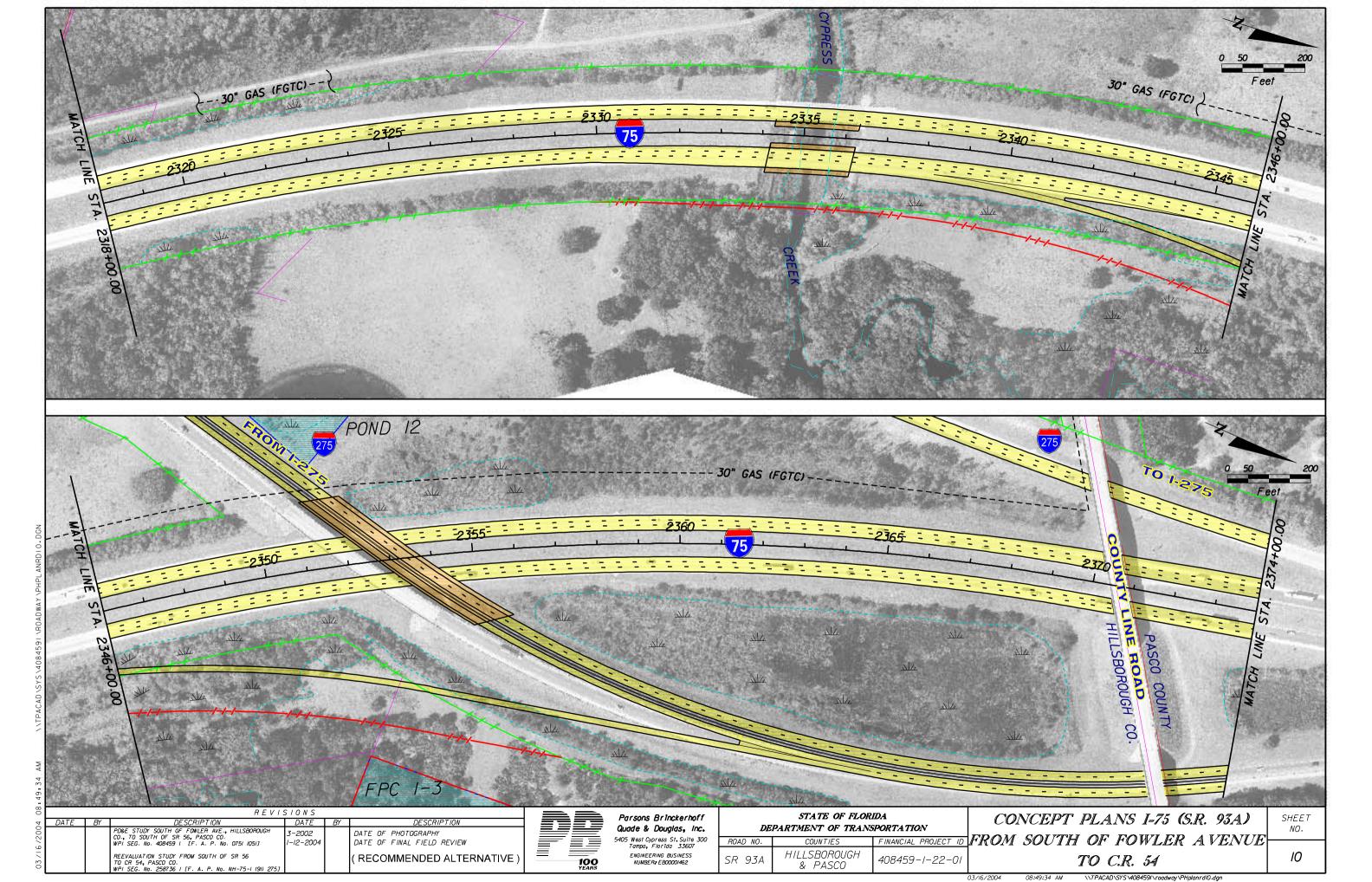


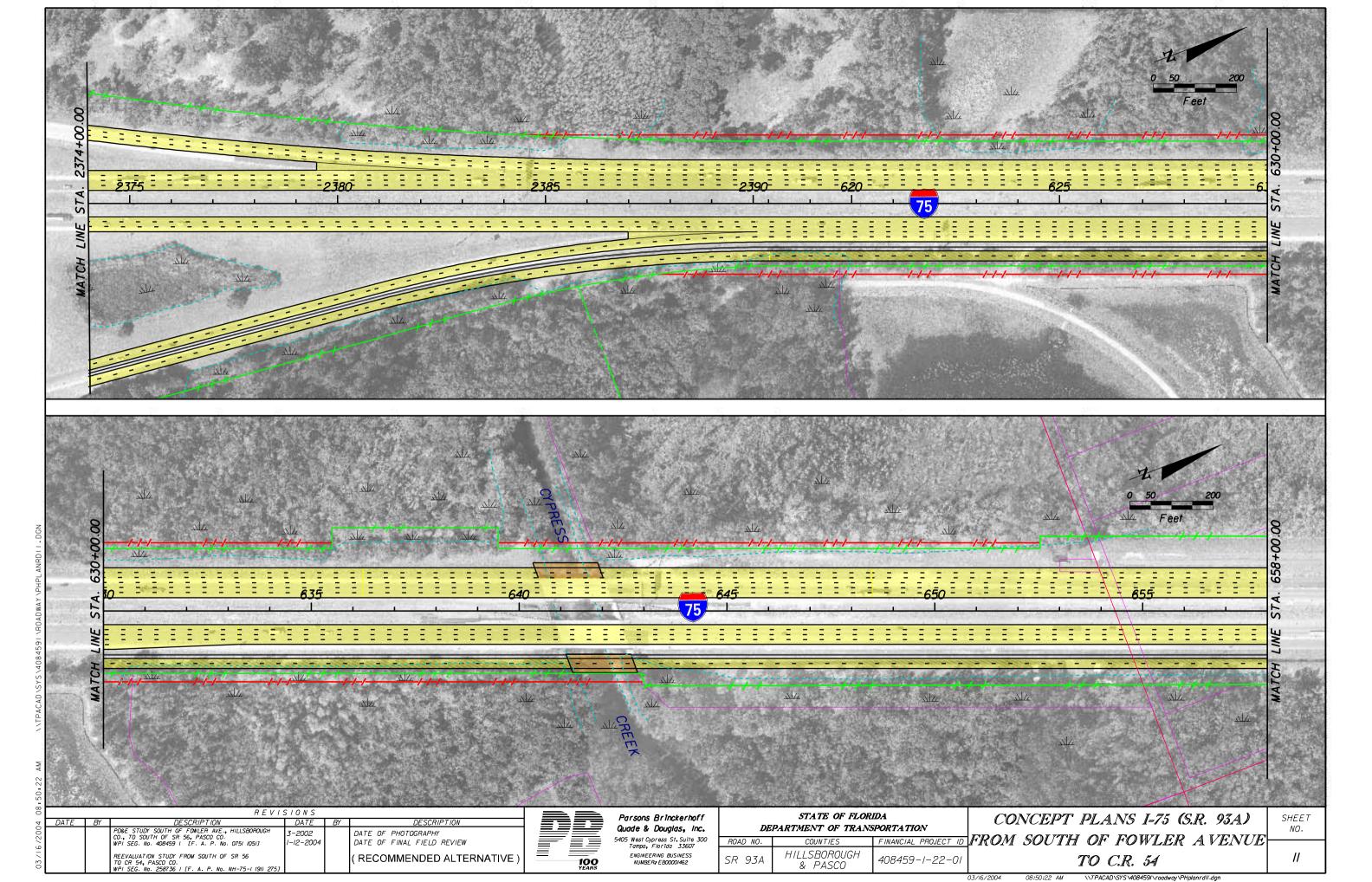


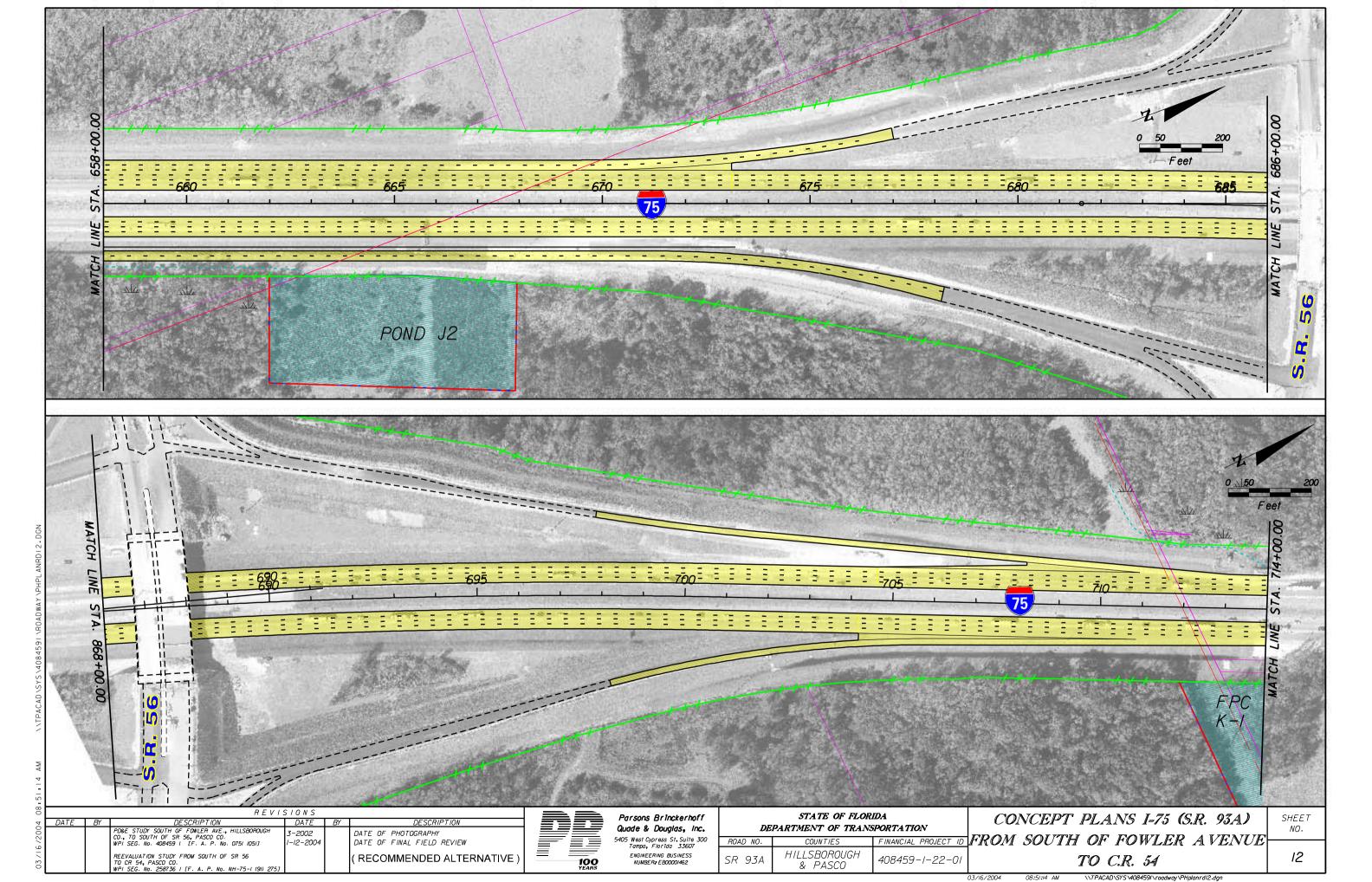


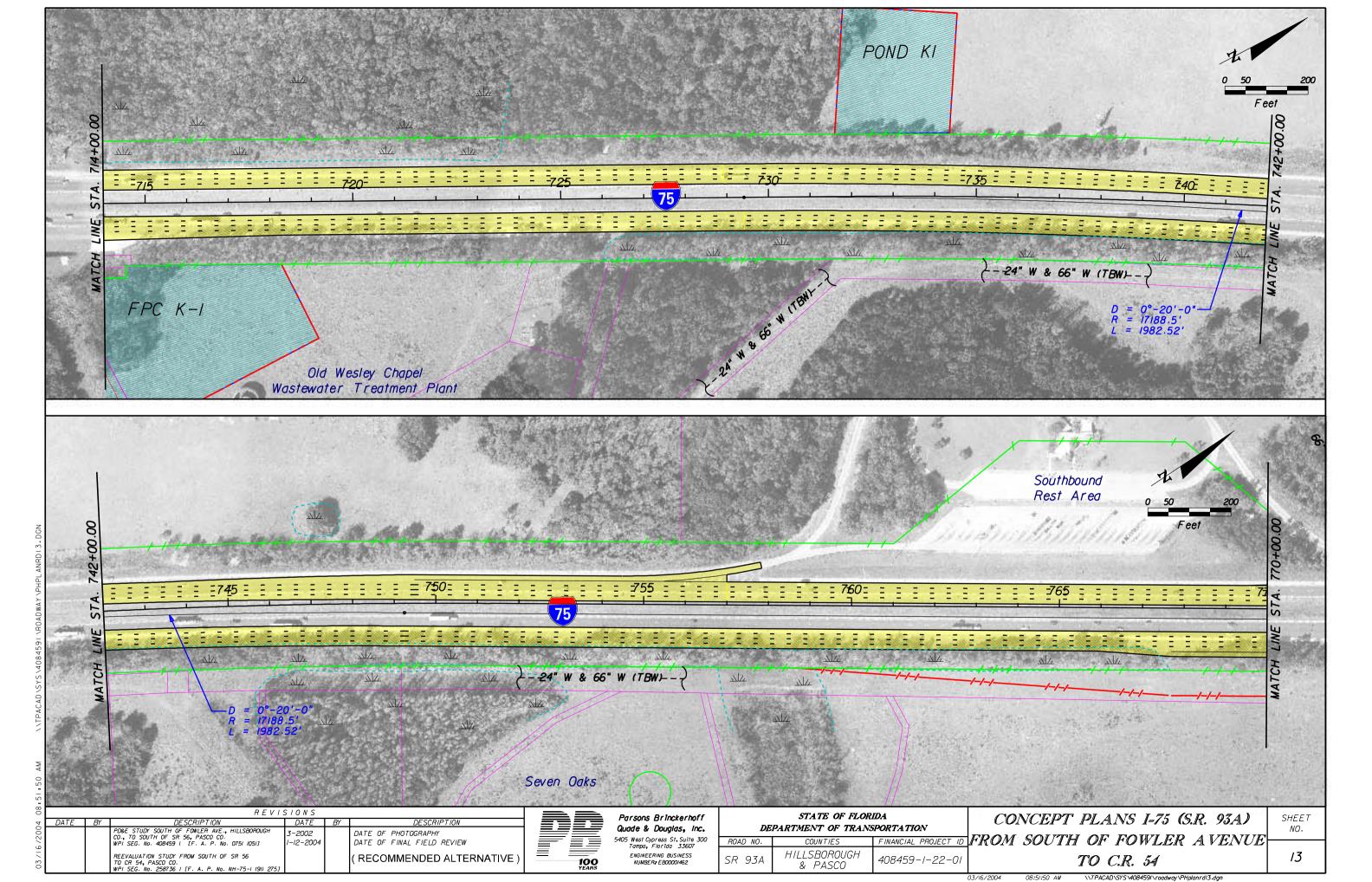


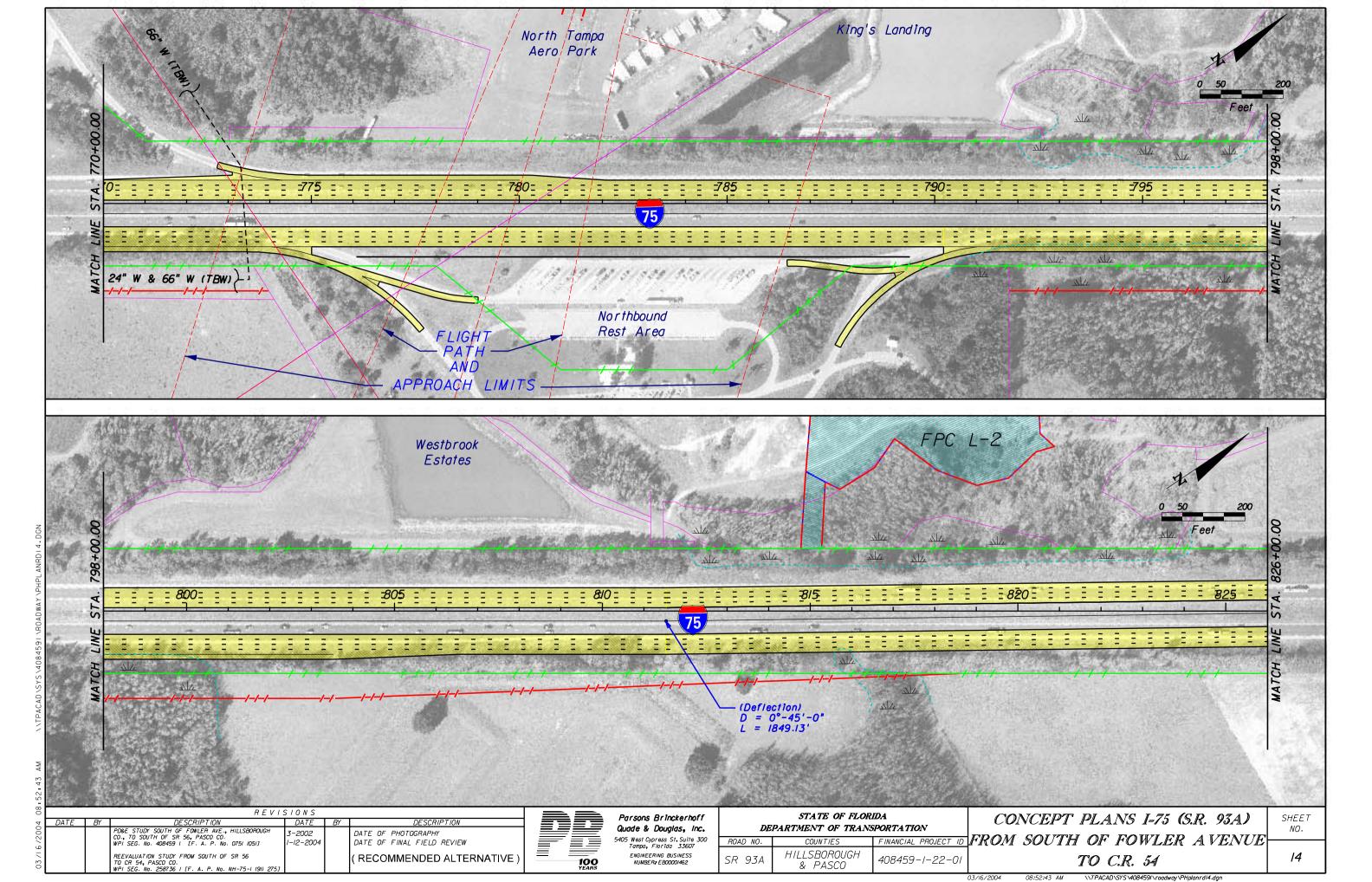


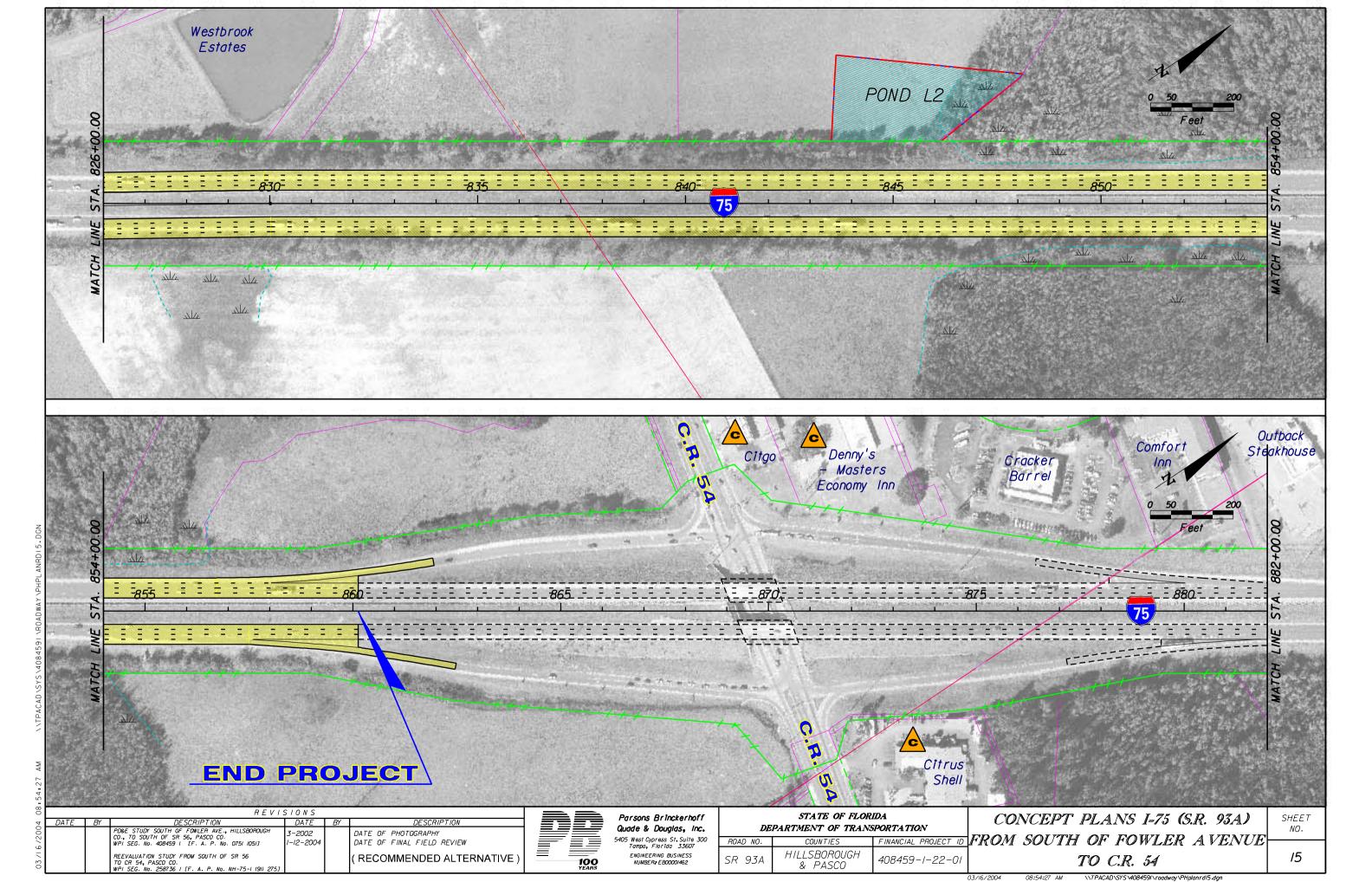


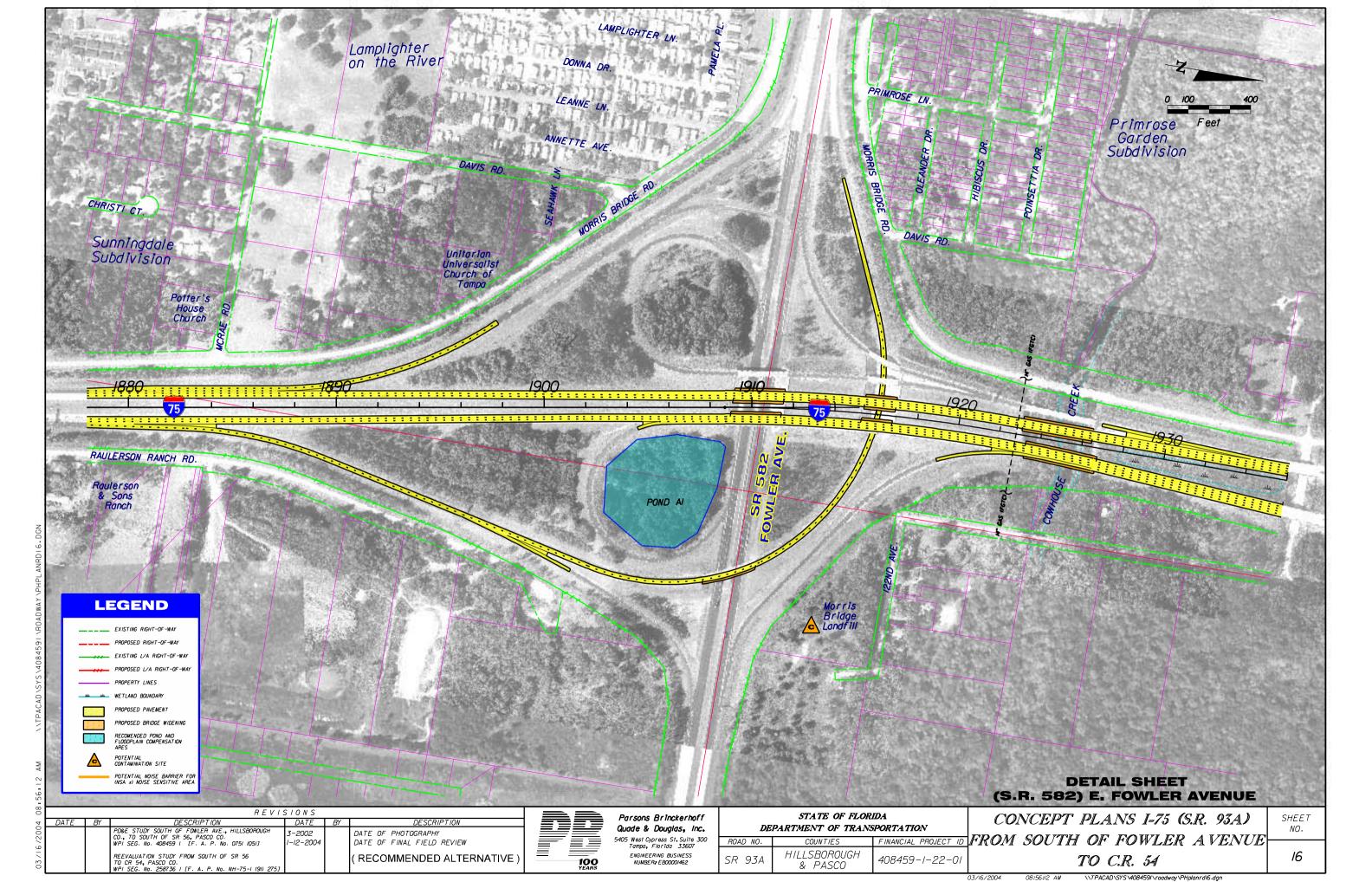


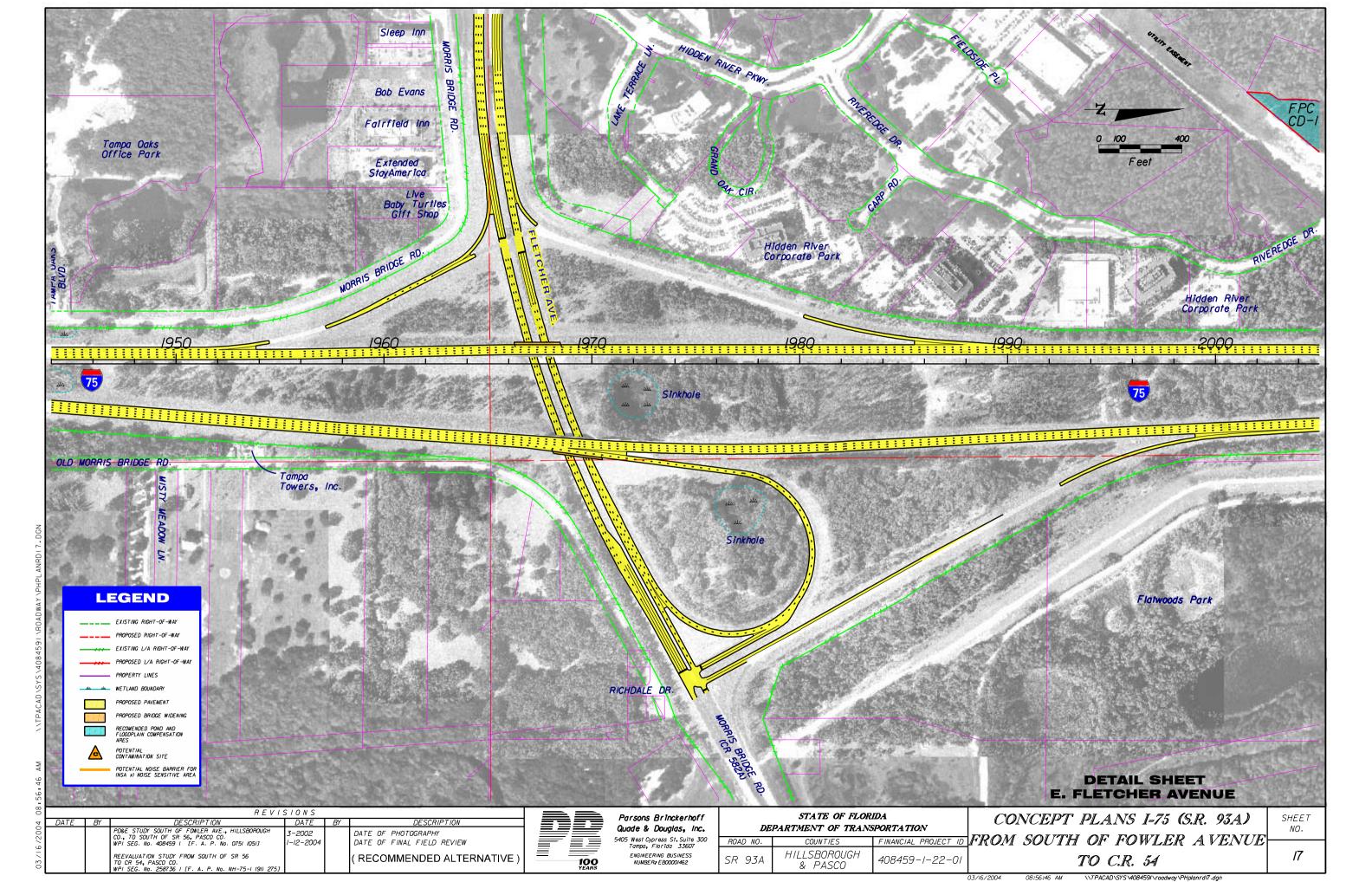


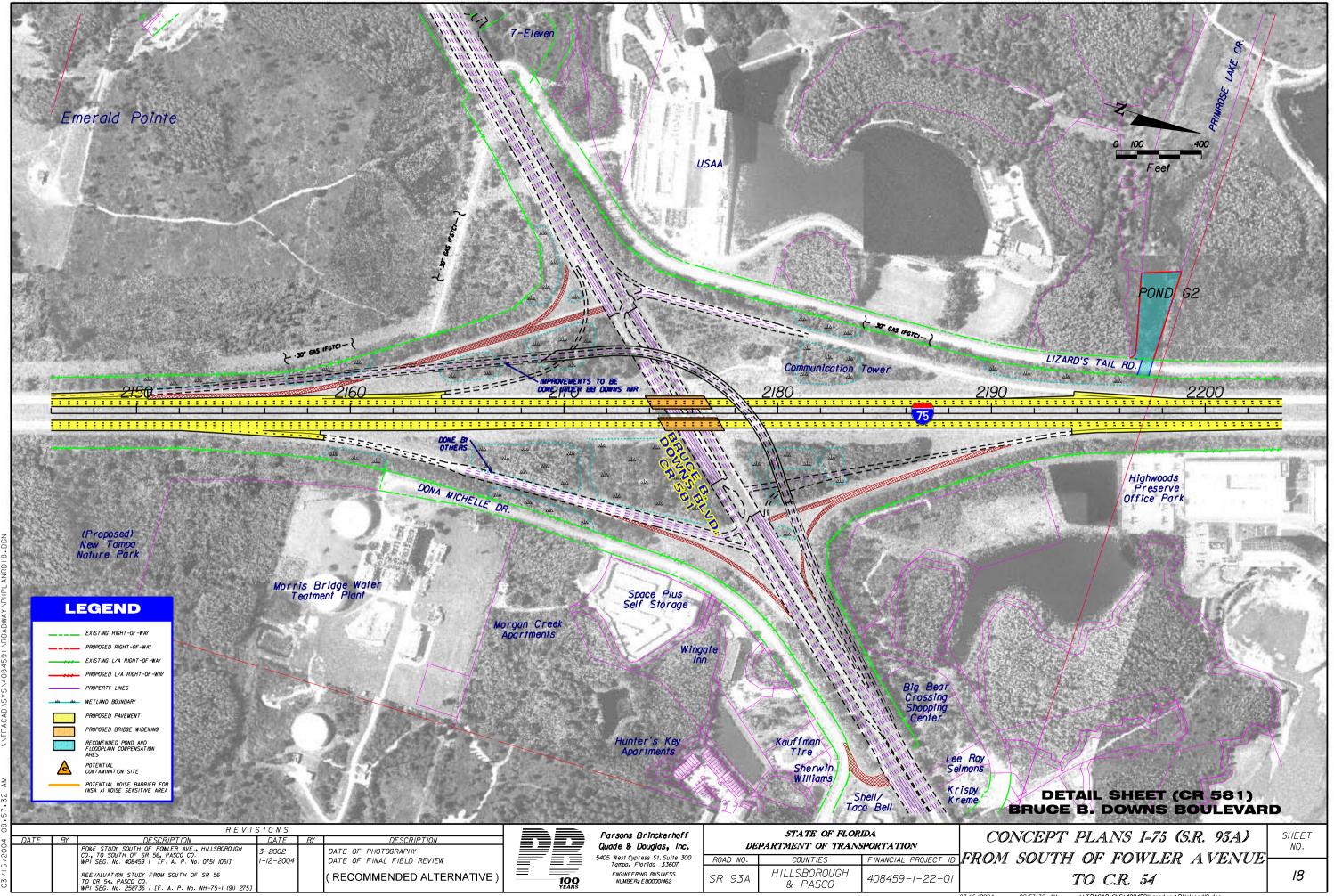




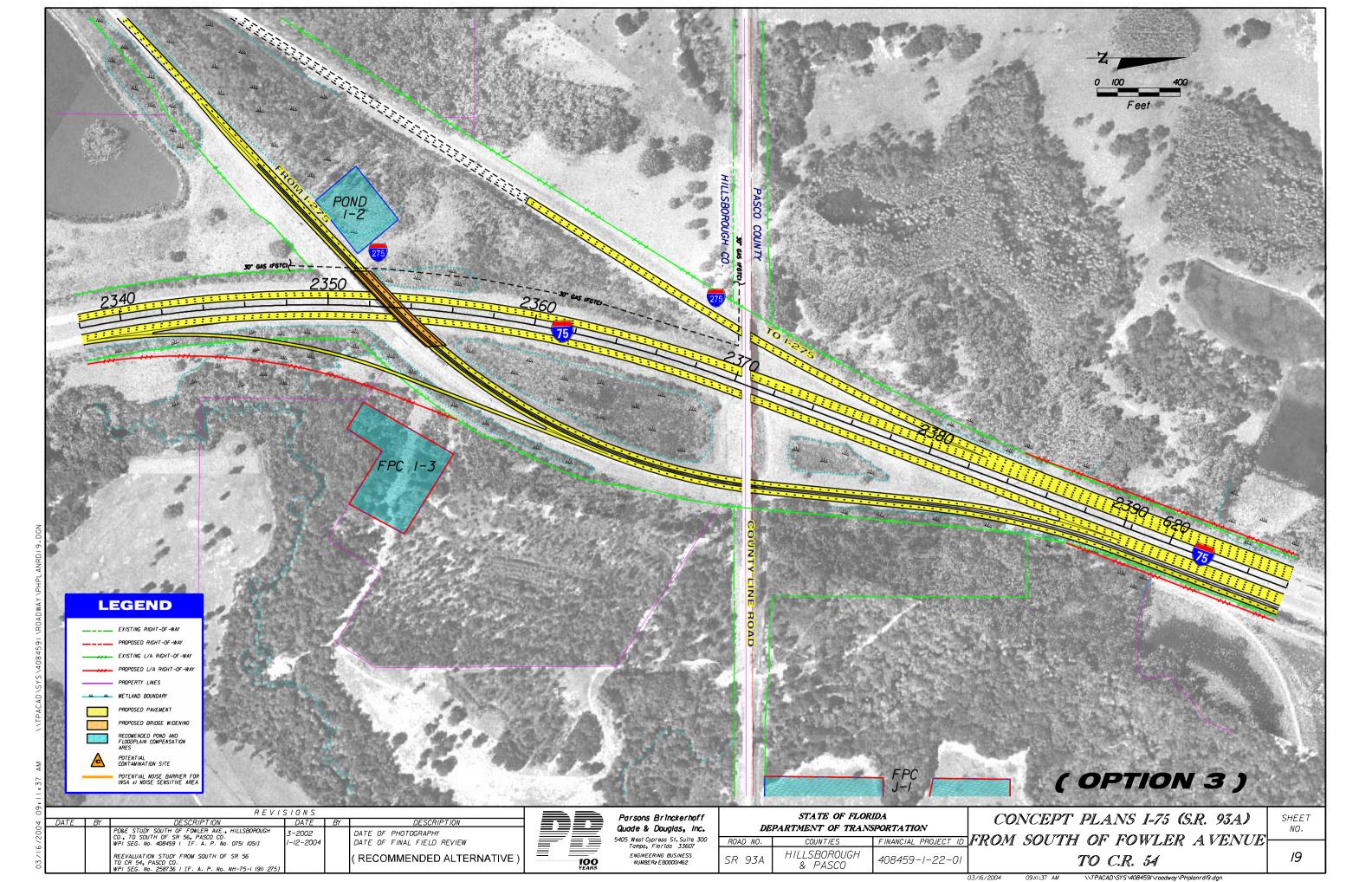


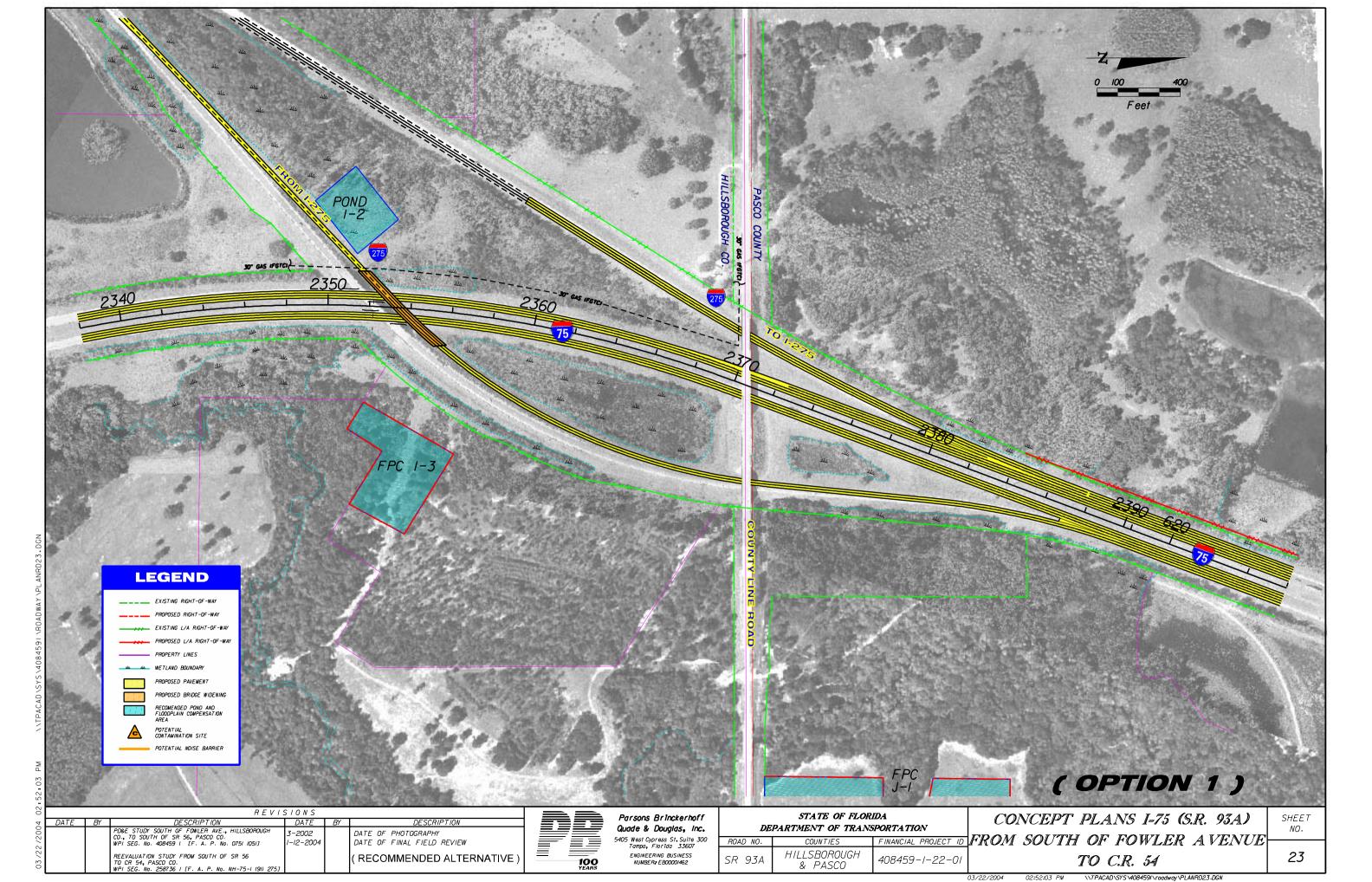






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Welcome... to the Public Hearing for the I-75 PD&E Study from south of Fowler Avenue to south of SR 56, Hillsborough and Pasco Counties

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and the I-75 Reevaluation Study from south of SR 56 to CR 54, Pasco County

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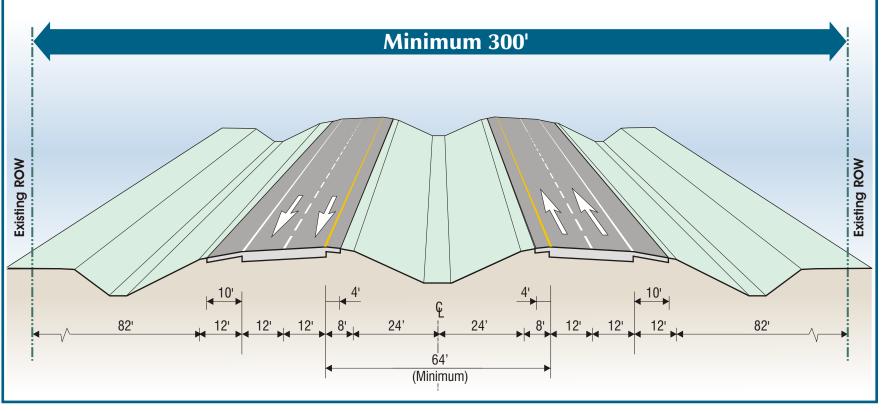
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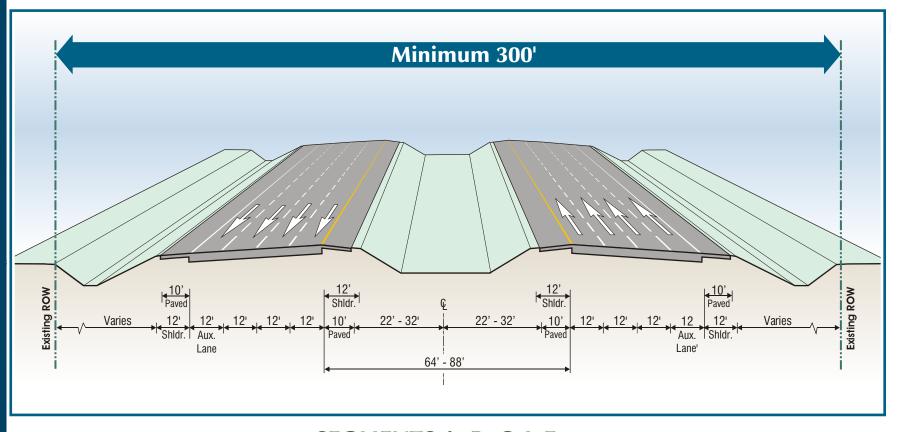
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Proposed Six-Lane Typical Section with Auxiliary Lanes



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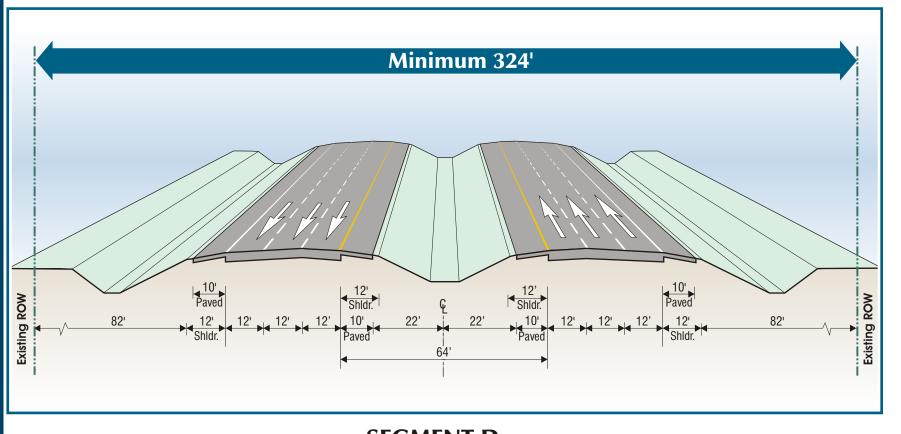
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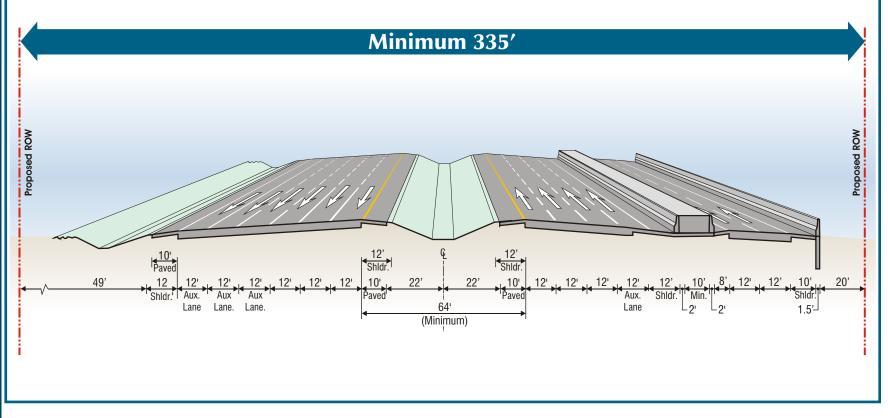
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FDOT Five Year Tentative Work Program

Fiscal Years 2004/2005 to 2008/2009

Segment	Design	Right-of-Way	Construction
Fowler Avenue to Bruce B. Downs Boulevard	2004/2005	2006/2007	2008/2009
Bruce B. Downs Boulevard to I-275 Apex	2004/2005	2006/2007	Not Funded
I-275 Apex to CR 54	2004/2005	Not Funded	Not Funded



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	RECOMMENDED BUILD ALTERNATIVE		
EVALUATION FACTORS	PD&E Segment	Reevaluation Segment	Total
Potential Relocations			
Business	0	0	0
Residential	0	0	0
Non-Profit Organization	0	0	0
Noise Effects			
Sites exceeding the 66dba Isopleth	93	0	93
Cultural Resources			
Historic Structures	No Involvement		
Archaeological Sites	No Involvement		
Parks and Recreation Sites [Section4(f)]	No Involvement		
Natural/Physical Environmental Effects			
Wetlands (acres)	67.15	16.75	83.90
Floodplain Encroachment (acres)	59.57	35.44	95.01
Potential Threatened & Endangered Species		No Involvement	
Potential Contamination Sites (Med/High)	1/0	4/0	5/0
Project Estimated Costs (Million\$)			
Right-of-Way ¹	-	-	\$19.5
Engineering ²	-	H	\$22.4
Construction ³	-	-	\$149.0
Construction Engineering and Inspection ²	=	=	\$22.4
Total Cost	-	-	\$213.3





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Comments must be postmarked by January 5, 2004 to be included as a part of the official Public Hearing Record





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Florida Statutes Chapter 120

Florida Statutes Section 339.155

Florida Statutes Section 286.26

Florida Statutes Section 337.243

Florida Statutes Section 339.135

23 U.S.C. 128

23 CFR Part 771 "Environmental Impact and Related Procedures"

FHWA Notice N6640.19, March 24, 1980, Guidelines for Preparation

and Processing of Notice of Intent

Council of Environmental Quality, 1978. Regulations for Implementing

the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act,

43 CFR 55978-56007 and 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508

49 CFR Parts 27, 37, 38, and 49

Executive Orders 11990 and 11988

American With Disabilities Act of 1990

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Based on the comments received during the public involvement process and continued coordination with governmental agencies, the FDOT will recommend an alternative to the FHWA

HOW TO REACH US

Seifert, P.E., Project Manager at:

We encourage you to take an active part in the I-75

project. If you wish to discuss the project with a Study

team member, schedule a small group meeting or be

added to the mailing list, please contact Michael

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for its approval. Location Design Acceptance (LDA) and Reevaluation approval for this project is anticipated to be received from the Federal Highway Administration early next year. Individuals on the mailing list will be notified of the approved alternative by the FHWA by newsletter. The approved alternative will also be announced in the local newspaper.

Design and right-of-way acquisition will follow the study process. The FDOT's Tentative Five-Year Work

Program, shown on the insert, indicates when the design, right-of-way and construction phases are programmed.

TITLE VI AND TITLE VIII COMPLIANCE

This Hearing is being held to afford all citizens the right to understand the project and express and concerns about the project to the Department. This Hearing complies with Title VI of

the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended. Public participation at this Hearing is encouraged and solicited without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to compliance with Title VI and/or Title VIII may do so by contacting District Seven Title VI and VIII Program Officer, Attn: Robert Clifford, AICP, Florida Department of Transportation, MS-7-500, 11201 N. McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida, 33612-6456, or the Florida Department of Transportation Minority Programs Office, 605 Suwanee Street, MS 65, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399.

All inquiries or complaints will be handled according to the Department's procedure and in an expeditious manner.



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Dear Property Owner and Interested Citizen:

You are invited to the Public Hearing for the I-75 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study from south of Fowler Avenue in Hillsborough County to south of SR 56 in Pasco County and the Reevaluation Study from south of SR 56 to CR 54 in Pasco County. The Hearing will be held by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) as follows:

Date: Wednesday, December 17, 2003 Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Open House

6:00 p.m. Formal Hearing

Place: Florida Department of Transportation District 7 Headquarters, Auditorium

11201 N. McKinley Drive

Tampa, Florida

The Hearing is being held to provide the opportunity for the public to express views concerning the location, conceptual design, social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed improvements to I-75.

This newsletter serves as notice to property owners (pursuant to Section 339.155(6), Florida Statutes) that all or a portion of their property lies within 300 feet on either side of the centerline of any alternative for the proposed project. However, the property may not be directly affected.

FDOT representatives will be available to discuss the project informally and answer questions beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the day of the Hearing. Aerial photographs showing the proposed improvements will be on display. A court reporter will be available to receive comments in a one-on-one setting. At 6:00 p.m. the FDOT will begin the formal portion of the Hearing, which will include a presentation, a video and an opportunity to make formal oral comments. The informal portion will resume after the formal portion and will continue until 7:00 p.m.

The Study and supporting documents will be available for public review from November 26, 2003 through January 5, 2004 at the New Tampa Regional Library, 10001 Cross Creek Boulevard in Tampa. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mon-Thurs; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Fri; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sat; 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sun.

All comments received, whether verbal or written, will be considered equally and documented in the official Public Hearing record. Written statements may be mailed to:

Robert M. Clifford, AICP Modal Planning and Development Manager Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven 11201 N. McKinley Drive/ MS 7-500 Tampa, FL 33612-6456

All comments must be postmarked by January 5, 2004 in order to be part of the official Public Hearing record. This Public Hearing is being held in accordance with 23 CFR 771, U.S.C. 128, F.S. Chapters 120 and 339.155. Anyone needing special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 should contact Mr. Michael Seifert, Project Manager, at (800) 226-7220 or by email at michael.seifert@dot.state.fl.us by December 10, 2003.

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Robert M. Clifford, AICP

District Modal Planning and Development Manager

EXISTING 1-75

Within the project limits I-75 generally has four 12-foot travel lanes (two in each direction), 8-foot inside shoulders, 10foot or 12-foot outside shoulders. separated by a median that varies from 64 feet to 112 feet wide. In addition, there are auxiliary lanes in various locations. The existing typical section is shown in Figure 2.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The FDOT is conducting a PD&E Study for improvements to I-75 from Fowler Avenue to south of SR 56. The FDOT is also conducting a Reevaluation Study from south of SR

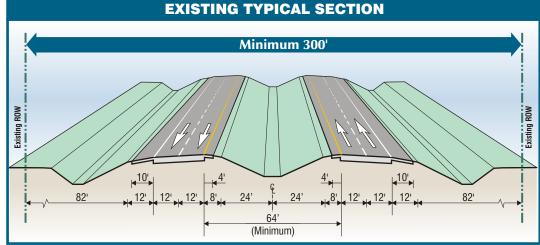


Figure 2

The number of existing lanes varies throughout the project limits.

56 to CR 54 in Hillsborough and Pasco Counties. The original PD&E Study evaluated adding two lanes (one lane in each direction) to the existing roadway and was approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on November 27, 2000. For the analysis, the project was divided into six segments. Segments A, B, C, D and a portion of E are within the PD&E Study limits. The remaining portion of Segment E and Segment F make up the Reevaluation Study limits. The project study limits and the segments are shown in Figure 1.



Recommended "Build" Alternative

In general, the Recommended "Build" Alternative would add at least one additional lane in each direction for the length of the project and, in all segments except Segment D, auxiliary lanes would be provided. An auxiliary lane is a full width travel lane adjacent to the mainline to allow for safe speed changes and merging at entrance and exit ramps. The typical section varies throughout the project segments. Figures 3, 4 and 5 depict the typical sections proposed along the project corridor.

In Segments A, B, C and F the typical section would have three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, one 12-foot auxiliary lane in each direction and 12-foot inside and outside shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved. The proposed typical section is shown in Figure 3.

In Segment D, the typical section would consist of three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, 12-foot inside and outside shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved and a 64-foot median. The proposed typical section is shown in Figure 4.

The typical section for Segment E would consist of three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, three 12-foot auxiliary lanes in the southbound direction, one 12-foot auxiliary lane in the northbound direction, 12-foot shoulders, of which 10 feet are paved and a 64-foot median. A two-lane ramp would run parallel to the mainline. This proposed typical section is shown in Figure 5.

No-Build Alternative

The No-Build Alternative represents leaving I-75 in its existing condition while allowing for routine maintenance. The No-Build Alternative will remain a viable alternative throughout the study process.

WHAT IS A PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND **ENVIRONMENT STUDY?**

A Project Development and Environment Study or PD&E Study is a comprehensive study conducted by the Florida Department of

Transportation. The Study evaluates social, cultural, economic and environmental impacts associated with the proposed transportation improvements.

This process is mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal requirements when federal funds are to be used for a project. It represents a combined effort by transportation professionals who analyze information and document the best alternative for a community's transportation needs.

The PD&E Study efforts are accomplished by working in cooperation with other state/federal agencies and the local governments. This coordination allows the Department to better determine the effects a transportation project will have on the natural and human environment.

PROJECT NEED

Traffic demand along I-75 from Fowler Avenue to CR 54 has increased in recent years. Several segments of I-75 and its ramps are currently experiencing Level of Service F in the peak hours. Forecasts indicate further traffic increases due to development in northern Hillsborough and southern Pasco Counties. The Traffic Technical Memorandum prepared for this project recommends that I-75 be widened to six lanes to provide additional capacity throughout the study limits.

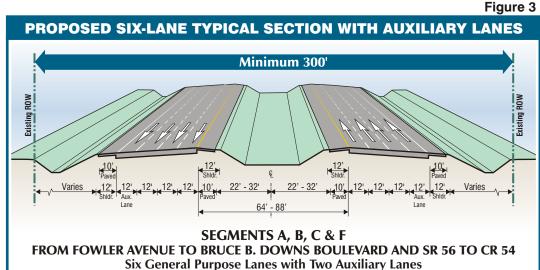
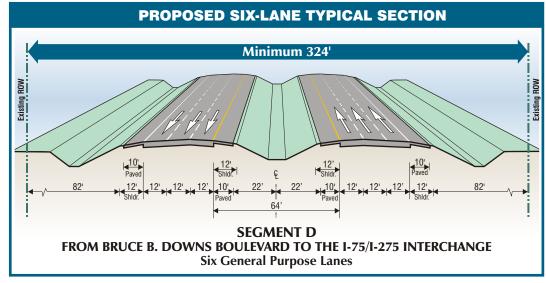
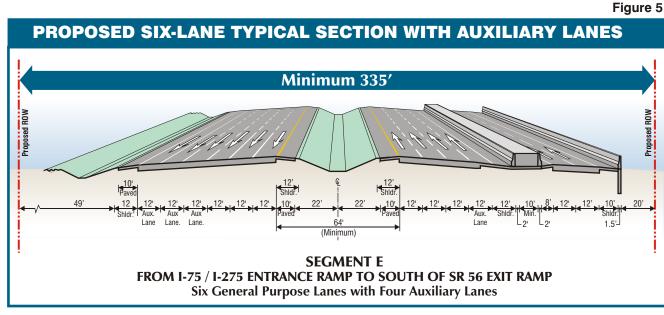


Figure 4







PD&E Study from south of Fowler Avenue to south of SR 56, Hillsborough and Pasco Counties

WPI Segment No.: 408459 1 * Federal Aid Project Number: 0751 105 I

Reevaluation Study from south of SR 56 to CR 54, Pasco County

WPI Segment No.: 258736 1 * Federal Aid Project Number: NH-75-1(91)275

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EVALUATION MATRIX

	Recommended Build Alternative		Alternative
Evaluation Factors	PD&E Segment	Reevaluation Segment	Total
Potential Relocations			
Business	0	0	0
Residential	0	0	0
Non-Profit Organization	0	0	0
Noise Effects			
Sites exceeding the 66dba Isopleth	93	0	93
Cultural Resources			
Historic Structures		No Involvement	
Archaeological Sites	No Involvement		
Parks and Recreation Sites [Section4(f)]	No Involvement		
Natural/Physical Environmental Effects			
Wetlands (acres)	67.15	16.75	83.90
Floodplain Encroachment (acres)	59.57	35.44	95.01
Potential Threatened & Endangered Species		No Involvement	
Potential Contamination Sites (Med/High)	1/0	4/0	5/0
Project Estimated Costs (Million\$)			
Right-of-Way ¹	-	-	\$19.5
Engineering ²	-	-	\$22.4
Construction ³	-	-	\$149.0
Construction Engineering and Inspection ²	-	-	\$22.4
Total Cost	-	-	\$213.3

Notes:

- 1. Estimate completed in August 2003, includes stormwater ponds
- 2. Estimated as 15% of construction cost
- 3. Estimate completed in October 2003

FDOT FIVE YEAR TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM

Fiscal Years 2004/2005 to 2008/2009

Segment	Design	Right-of-Way	Construction
Fowler Avenue to Bruce B. Downs Boulevard	2004/2005	2006/2007	2008/2009
Bruce B. Downs Boulevard to south of I-275 Apex	2004/2005	2006/2007	Not Funded
South of I-275 Apex to CR 54	2004/2005	Not Funded	Not Funded





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PUBLIC HEARING

Comments
We encourage you to write down your opinions and comments in reference to the project. Please provide your comments
below. Comments must be postmarked by January 5, 2004 to be a part of the Public Hearing record.
Attach additional sheets if necessary
Name
Address
City, State, Zip
If you did not receive notification of this meeting, and desire to be included on the mailing list, please complete the name and address section.
Please drop comments in the Comment Box or mail to the address below.
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