

City of Raleigh  
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Services  
Department



# Stormwater Management



Simmons Branch  
Drainage Improvement  
Project - Phase 2  
w/ White Oak Lake

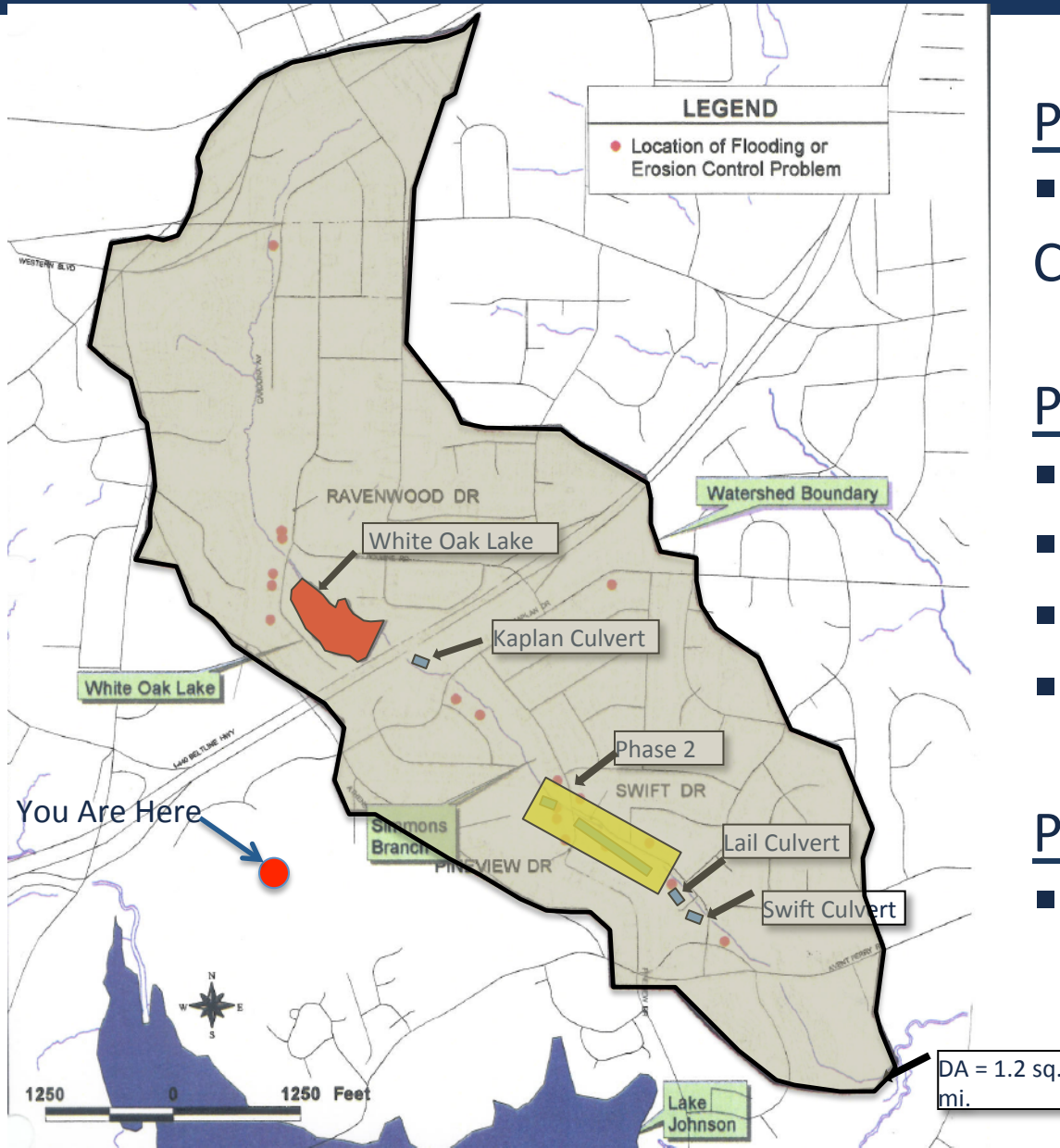
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# Phasing and Project Orientation



## Phase 1

- Lail, Kaplan, and Swift Culverts

## Phase 2

- Pineview Culvert
- Swift Drive Culvert
- Driveway Bridge
- Bank Stabilization

## Phase 3

- White Oak Lake



1. Reduce flooding
  - Eliminate roadway flooding for a 10-year flood
  - Minimize flooding of homes and yards
2. Improve public safety
3. Address maintenance challenges with failing infrastructure
4. Stabilize stream banks of Swift Creek



### Example of bank erosion (near Merwin Road)

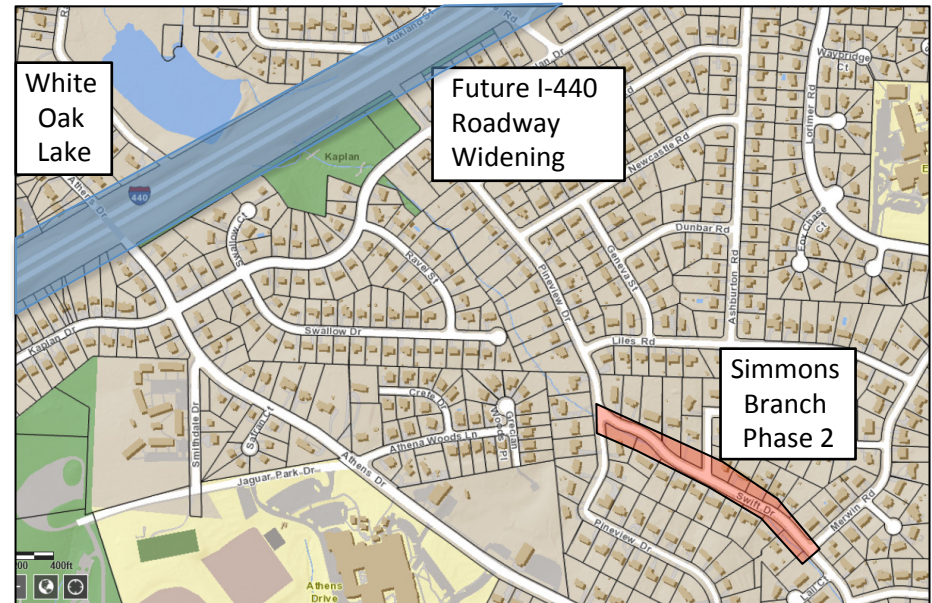


10-year floodplain

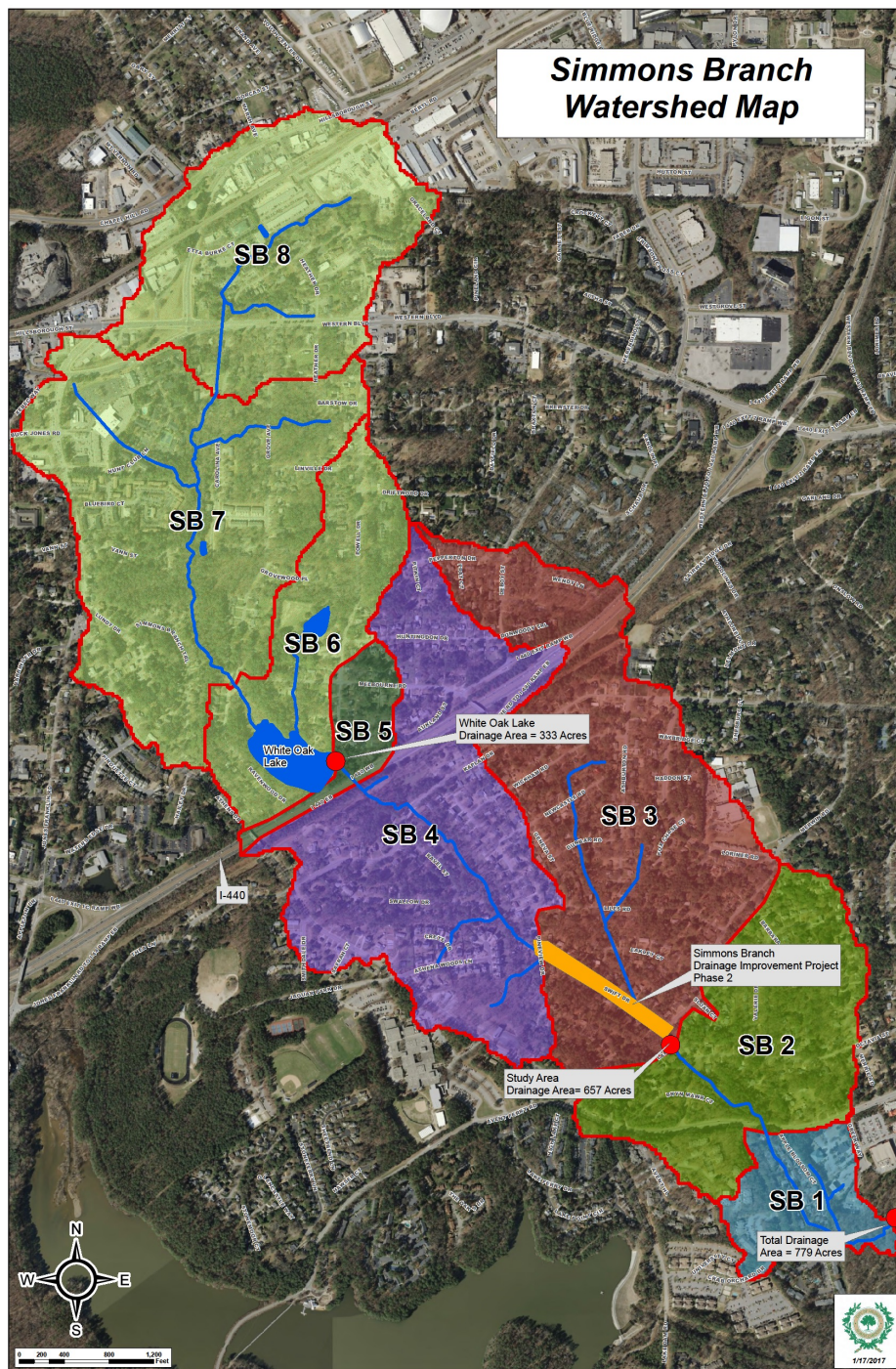
# Taking a Second Look



- Optimize White Oak Lake to lower downstream runoff volume
- Consider timing of NCDOT's I-440 Roadway widening project
- Efficiently spend funding to reduce flooding
  - Reduce rock blasting
  - Reduce utility relocations
  - Increase performance of the original design









# White Oak Lake Flood Reduction

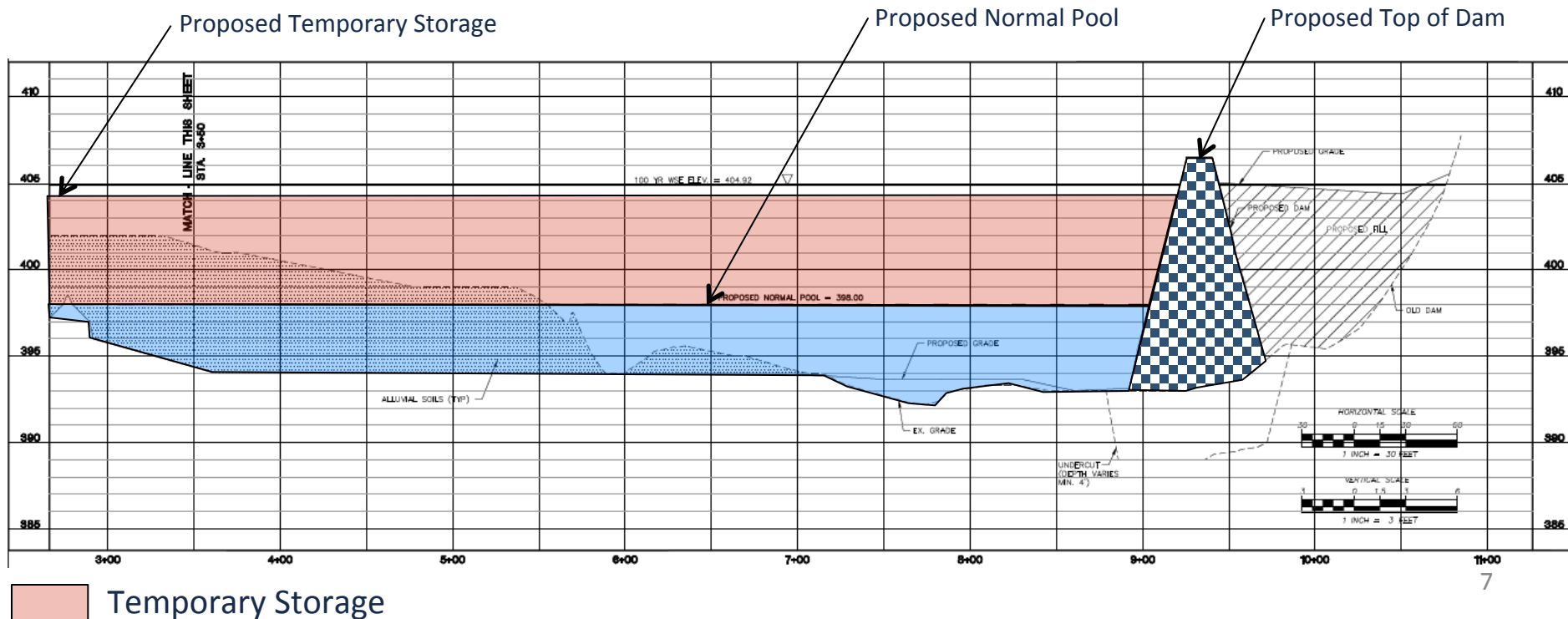




# Flood Reduction Benefits



- Lower normal pool from 402.5' to 396.0'
- Raise emergency spillway from 402.5' to 404.5'
- Install new riser with 90" dia. Barrel
- Take temporary storage from 0 cf. to more than 1,500,000 cf.
- Peak flow is delayed by almost one hour



# Current Lake





# Failed Emergency Spillway



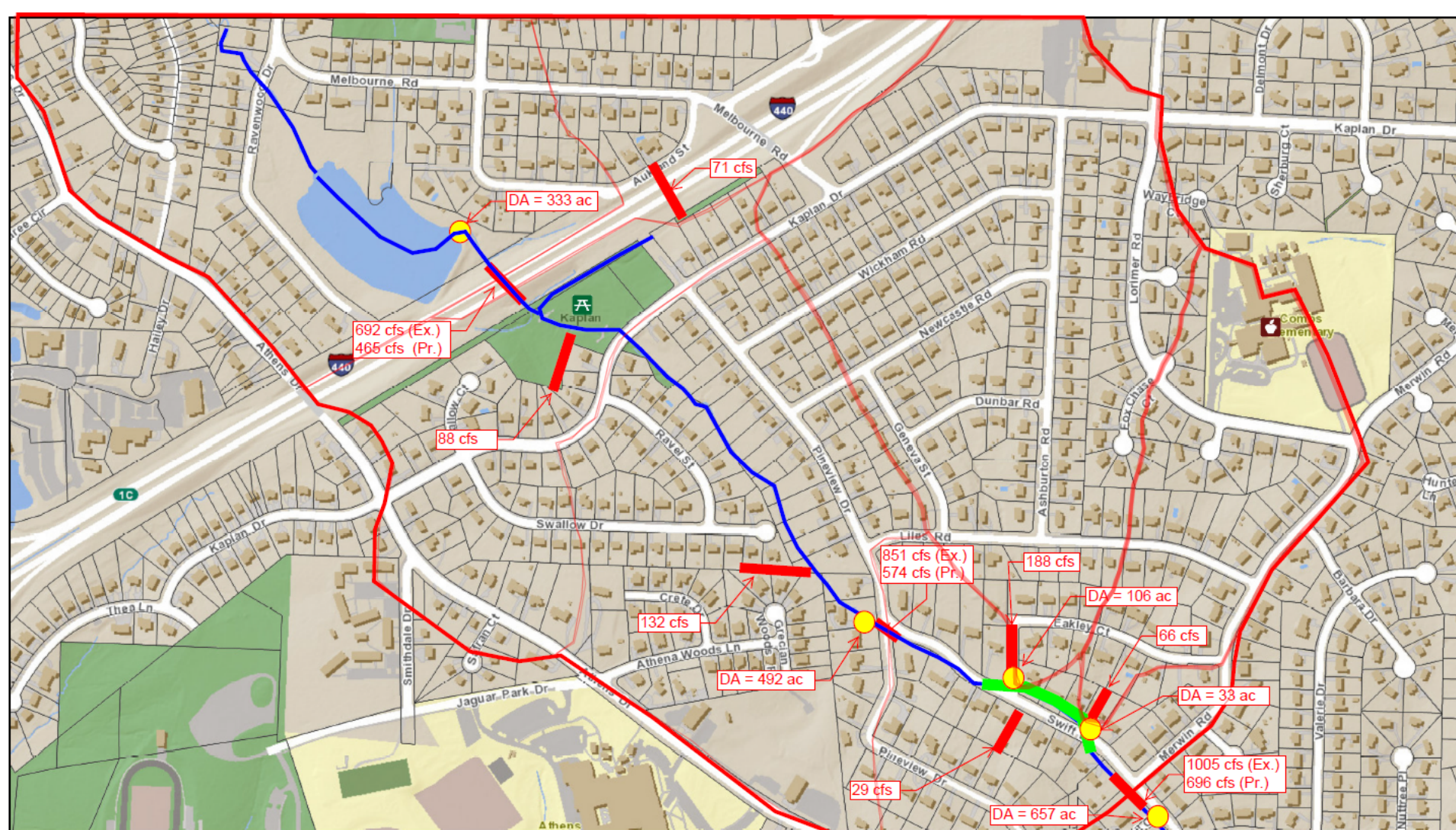


# Failed Primary Spillway



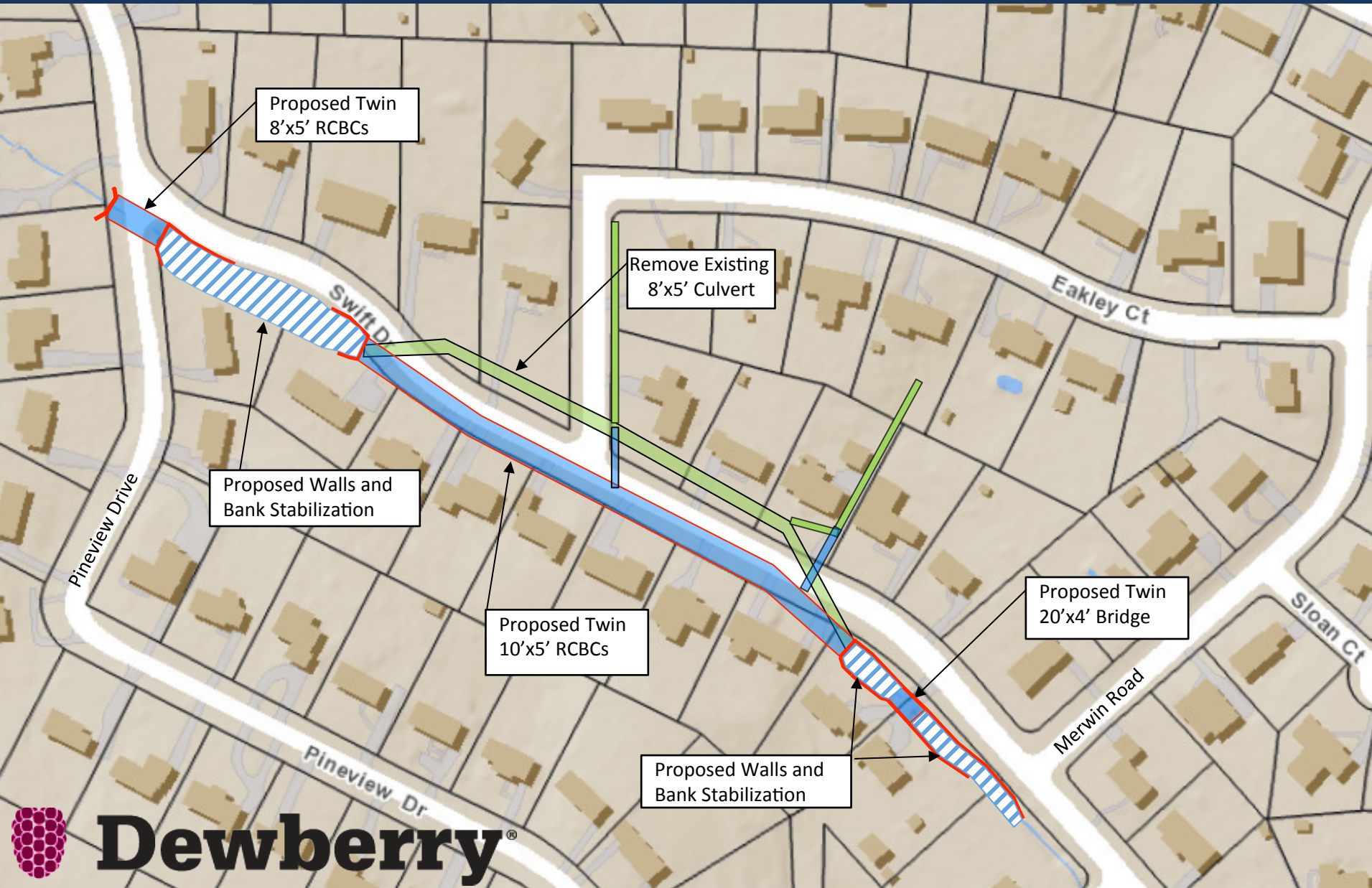


# Contributing Flows in Lower Watershed





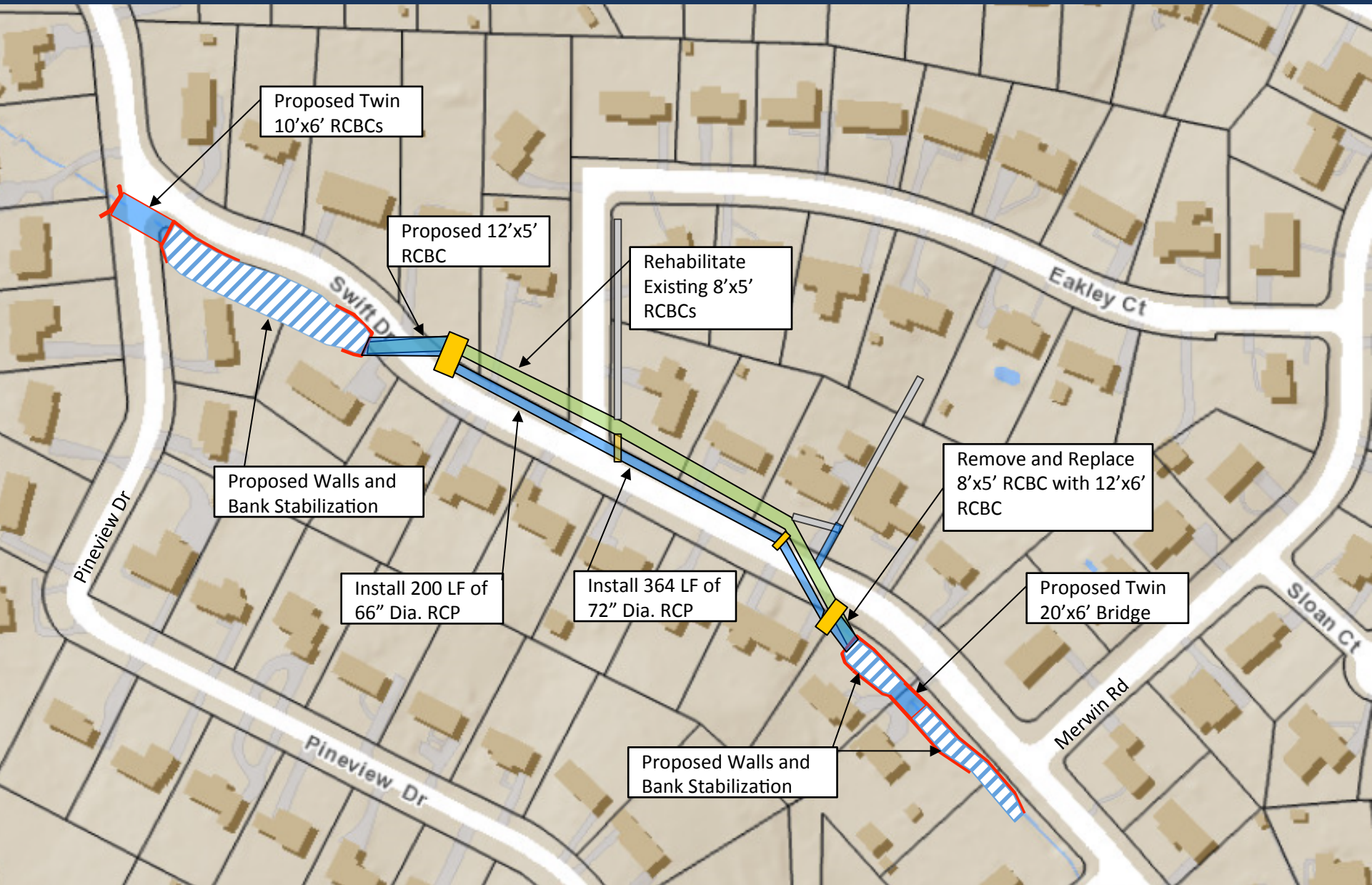
# Previous Design



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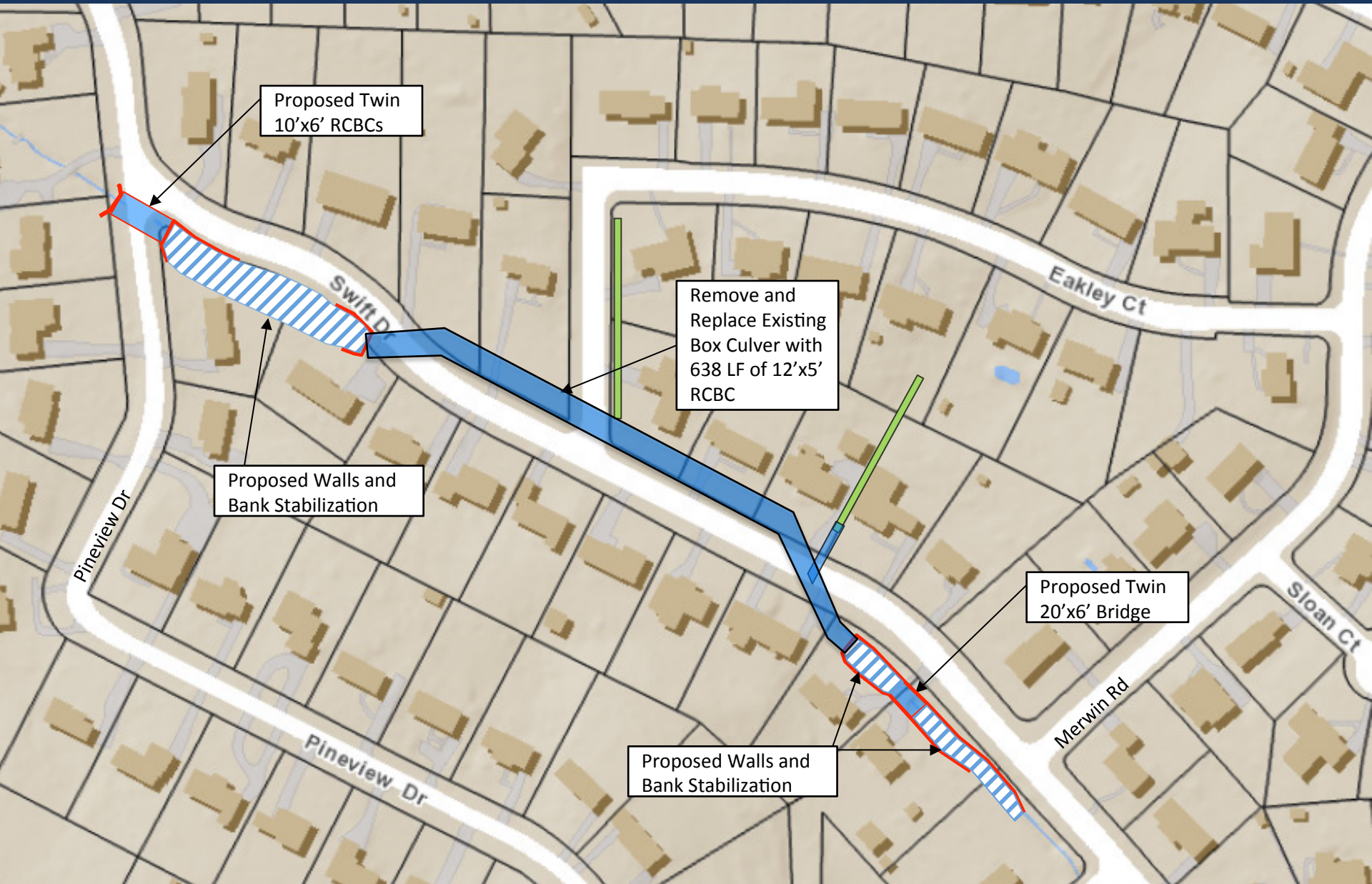


# Alt#1: Rehabilitation Alternative



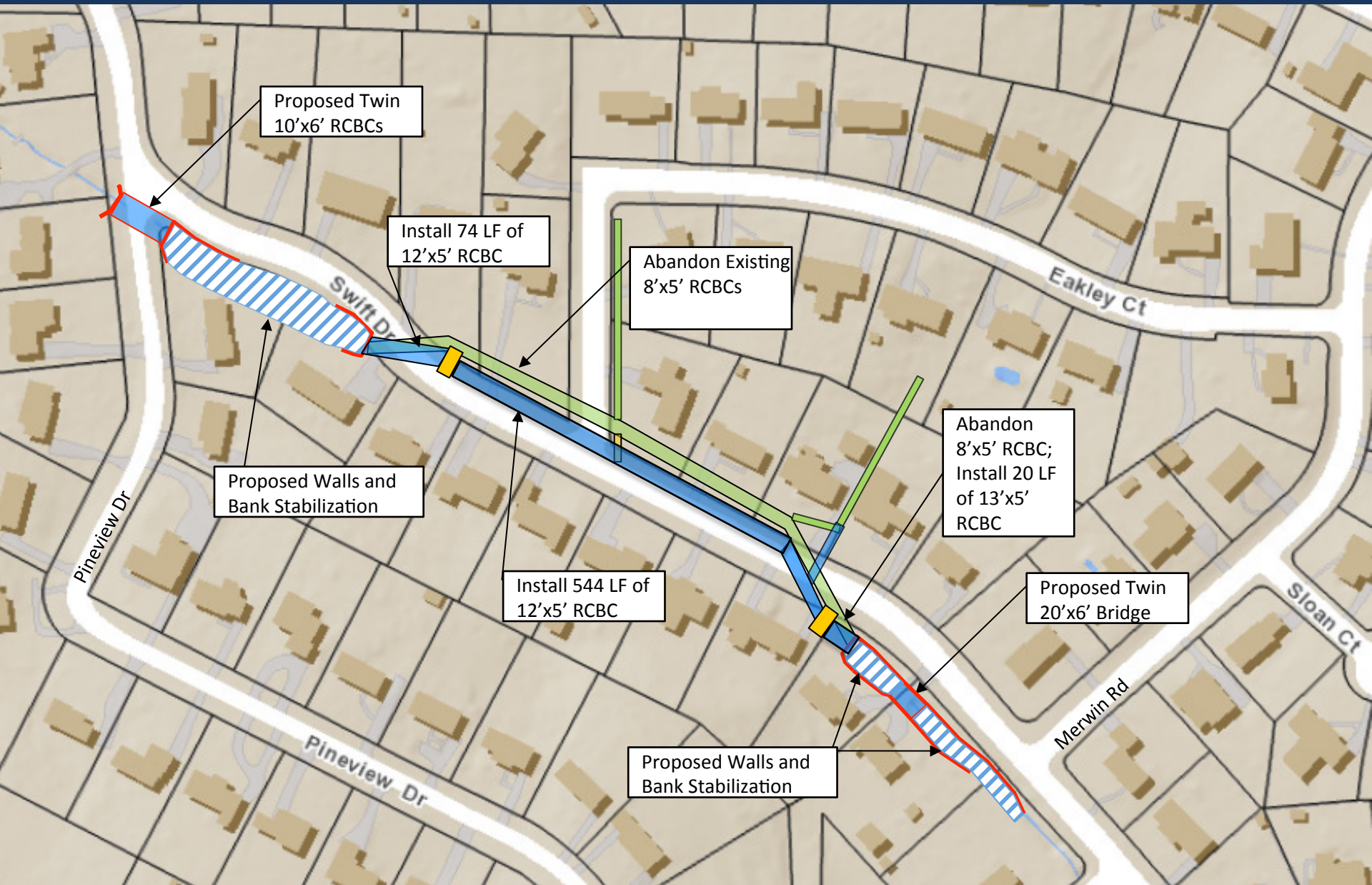


# Alt#2: New RCBC (Same Location)





# Alt#3: New RCBC (Work in Dry)

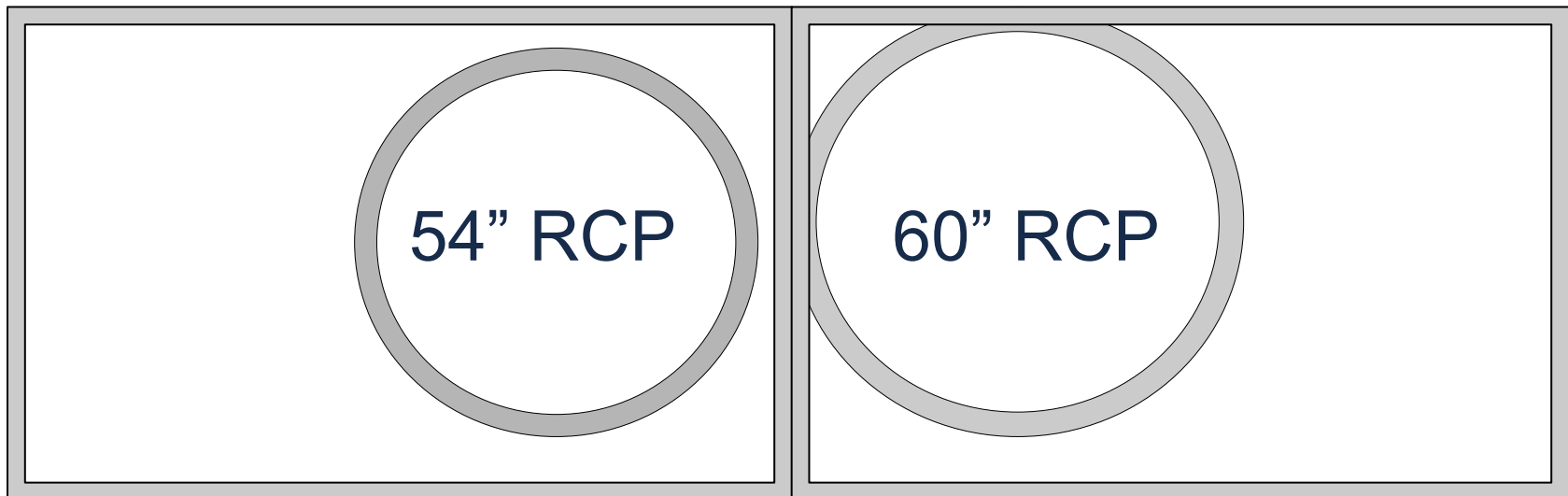




# Culvert Change: Pineview Drive



Conditions	Culvert Size/ Material	Opening Area (sq. ft.)	Culvert Capacity (cfs.)	Upstream Invert (ft. NAVD '88)
Existing	54" and 60' RCPs	35.5	350	344.62
Proposed	Twin 10' x6' RCBCs	120	1155	343.62



*Culvert capacity is designed to keep water underground and off the road*



# Flood Reduction Benefits: Pineview Drive



**Table 1: Performance Comparison at Overtopping**

Conditions	Culvert Size/Material	Culvert Capacity (cfs.)	Level of Service
Existing	54" and 60' RCPs	350	< 2-year
Prev. Design	Twin 8'x5'	740	10-year
Proposed	Twin 10'x6' RCBCs	<b>1155</b>	100-year

**Table 2: WSEL Reductions**

Storm Event	Ex. Conditions WSEL & Freeboard	Prev. Design WSEL & Freeboard	Proposed Design WSEL & Freeboard
10-year	353.78/ <b>-1.78</b>	<b>350.49/1.51</b>	349.23/2.77
25-year	354.07/ <b>-2.07</b>	352.09/ <b>-0.09</b>	350.38/1.62
50-year	354.22/ <b>-2.22</b>	353.17/ <b>-1.17</b>	351.11/0.89
100-year	354.42/ <b>-2.42</b>	<b>353.57/-1.57</b>	<b>351.65/0.35</b>

(FFE @ 1422 Pineview Dr. = 352.0'; Road Overtops 353.03)



# Flood Reduction Benefits: 3609 Swift

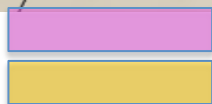


**Table 1: Performance Comparison at Overtopping**

Conditions	Bridge Size/Material	Bridge Capacity (cfs.)	Level of Service
Existing	8.7'x4' Concrete	260	< 2-year
Prev. Design	20'x4' Concrete	657	10-year
Proposed	20'x6' Concrete	<b>1075</b>	25-year



# Reduced Construction Footprint



Limit of disturbance for recommended design

Area to be removed from limit of disturbance from previous design



# Project Schedule – White Oak Lake



July: 60% design complete

July – August: Public meeting scheduled

July - October: Private utility relocation, permit application, easement acquisition; finalized construction plan

November – January 2018: Project bid

February – March 2018: Project award

April 2018: Project construction begins

November 2018: Project completed



# Project Schedule – Simmons Branch



## Previous Design Timeline

January 24: Public meeting

February – March: Revise current plan

March -May: permit applications; finalize construction plans

June – October: Project bid and award

November 2017: Begin project construction

April 2019: Project completed

**18 month project**

## Revised Design Timeline

January 24: Public meeting

February – March: 30% design plan developed

April – August: private utility relocation, permit applications & easement acquisition; finalize construction plans

October – January: Project bid and award

February 2018: Begin project construction

February 2019: Project completed

**12 month project**

# Project Recap



A Revised Simmons Branch Drainage Improvement Project - Phase 2 offers...

Reduced  
Construction  
Impacts

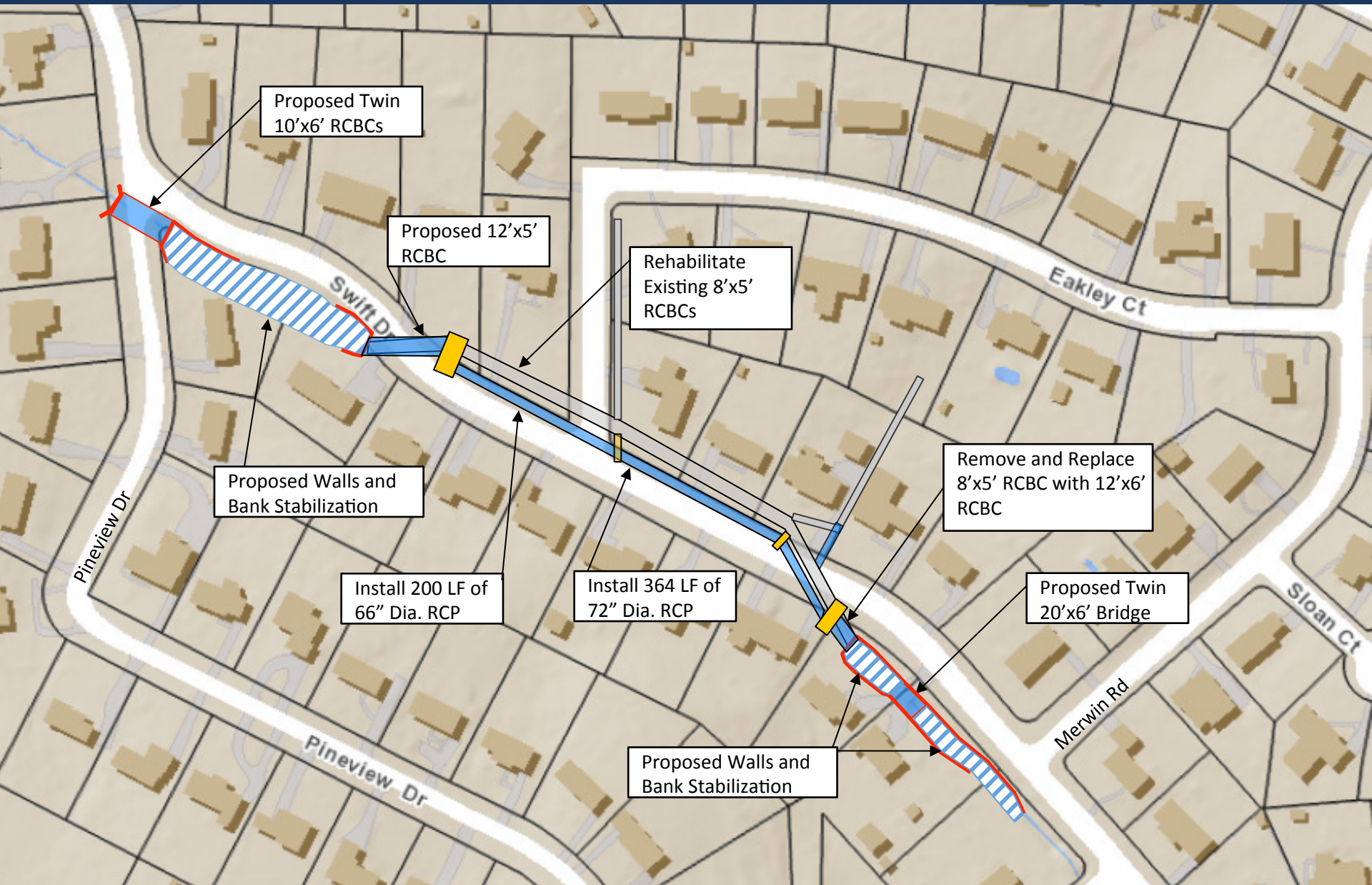
Increased  
Level of Service

Lower  
Costs

Accelerated  
Completion



# Questions?





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**Stormwater Management Division**

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# Private Utility Relocation



Completed utility relocation will reduce future relocation needs

Relocation coordination is underway

Residents may be impacted by additional and temporary relocation

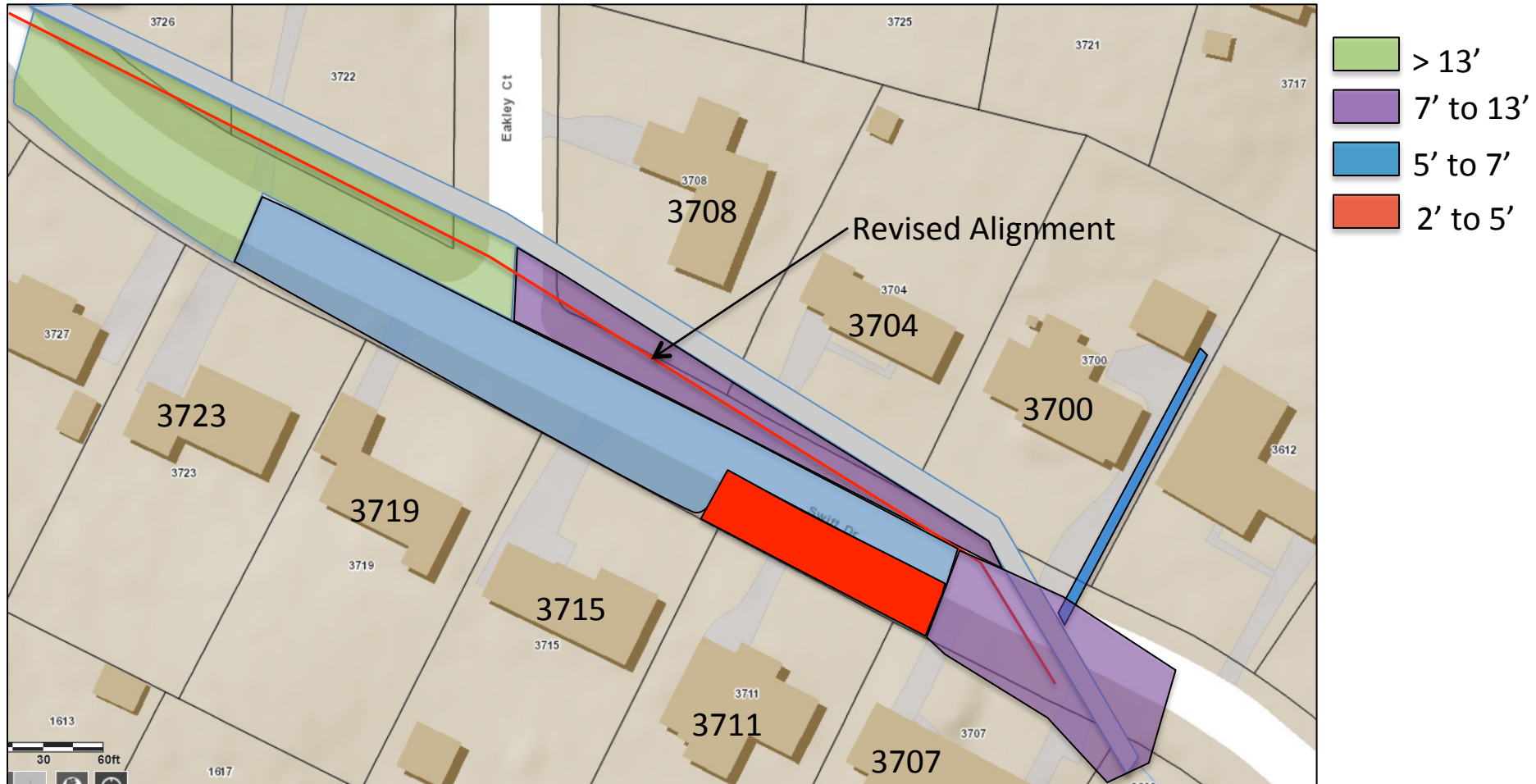
Our intent is to avoid as much relocation as possible and to make the process seamless



Carbon Fiber Wrap Installation



# Rock Depth with Proposed Revised Alignment



# Why Rehabilitate?

- Technological advancements
- Expertise from structural engineers who specialize in sustainable culvert rehabilitation
- Reduced construction impacts
- Additional City experience gained over the last 5 years



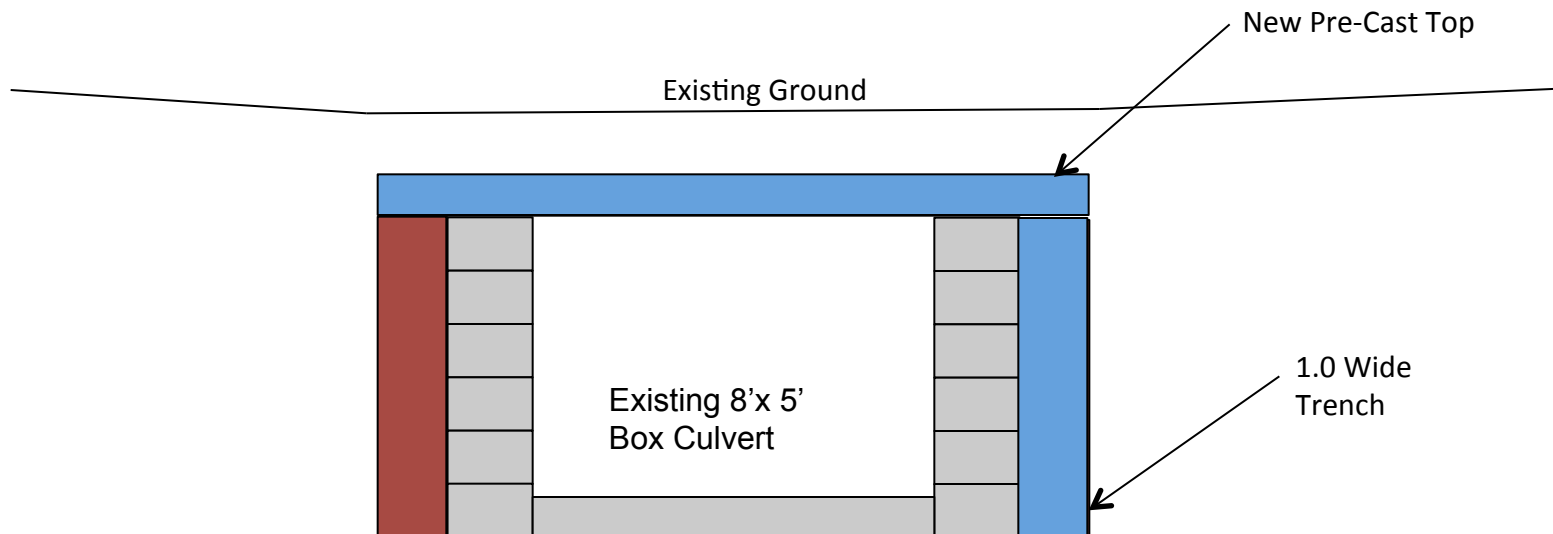
- Proposed new top
- Proposed reinforced concrete box culvert
- Proposed top rehab



# Culvert Rehabilitation: Top



- Repair cracks that have formed on the outside of culvert by:
  - Replacing concrete top slab at driveways and Eakley Court
  - Installing sustainable epoxy resin joint sealant and carbon fiber wraps in cracks



# Culvert Rehabilitation: Bottoms



- Repair the bottom part of the culvert that is failing to eliminate potential for sink holes:

Remove failed  
bottom

Install cutoff  
wall to  
prevent piping

Inject polymer  
resin to fill  
voids

Install rebar  
and wire mesh

Add in  
additional  
rebar

Pour new  
concrete  
bottom



# Culvert Rehabilitation: Walls



- Repair walls that are failing or bulging by:
  - Removing and replacing cinderblock wall
  - Installing carbon fiber wrap for structural support
  - Installing temporary vertical bracing to support top slab
  - Repairing bottom slab as needed
  - **Areas that are failing structurally will be replaced**



Culvert at 3708 Swift Drive





# Flood Reduction

