

# Rebuilding for Resilience and Functionality in the Green Mountain National Forest

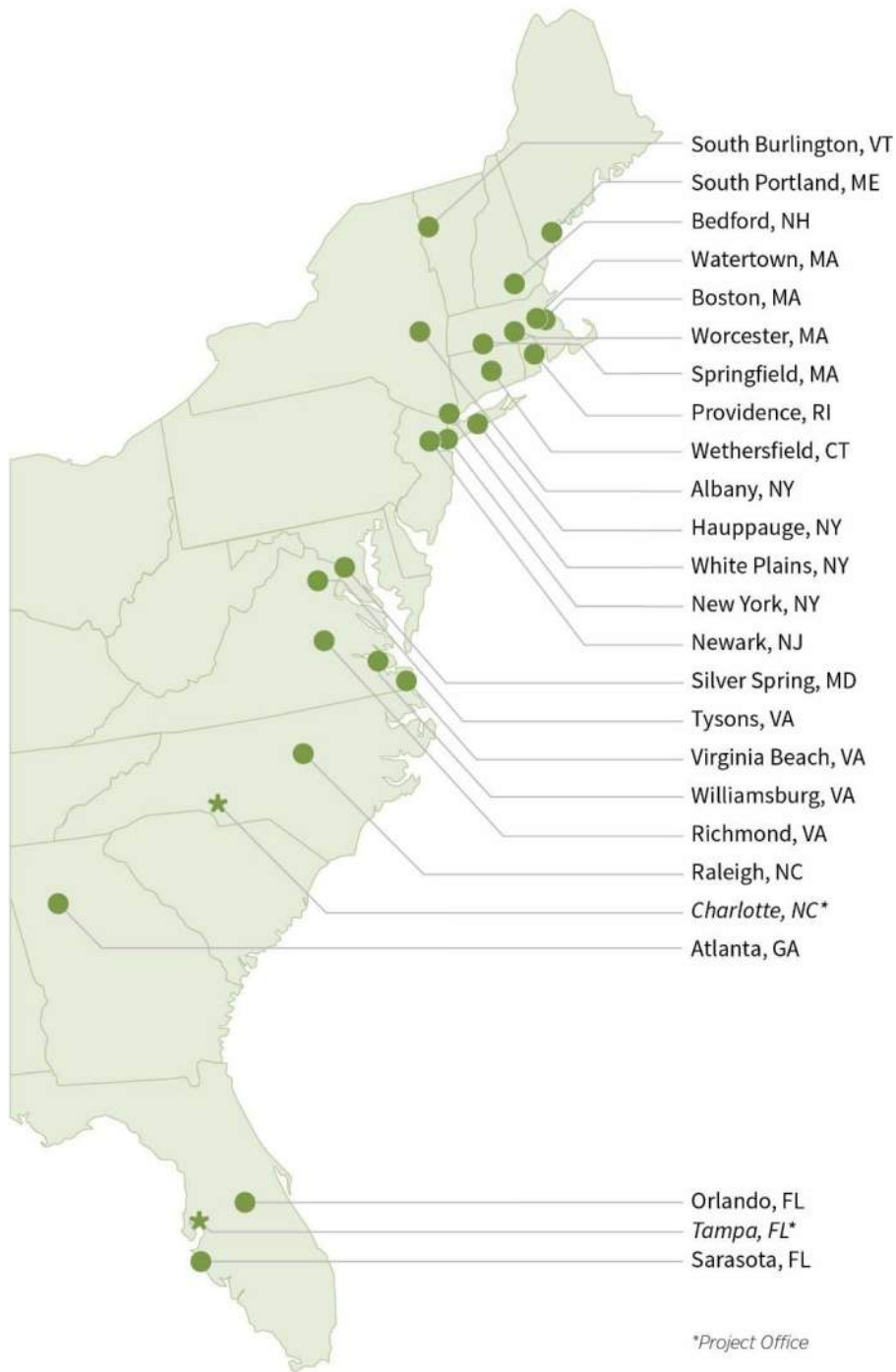
*Kelley Stand Road, Sunderland, Vermont*

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# Project Overview

## Kelley Stand Road

- Town of Sunderland - Town Highway No. 3
- U.S. Forest Service – Forest Access Highway No. 6
- Connects between Sunderland and Stratton
- Open seasonally but also popular snow mobile trail

## Roaring Brook

- Tributary to Batten Kill River
- Flows from major tributary "South Fork"
- Steep, confined valley

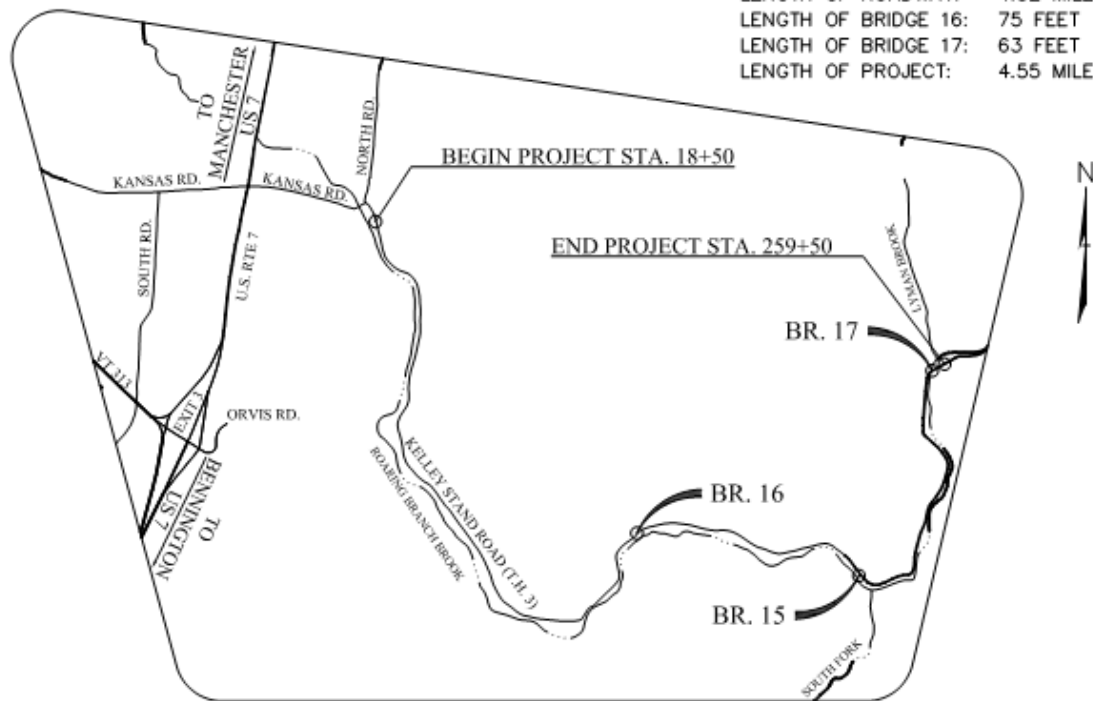
# TOWN OF SUNDERLAND COUNTY OF BENNINGTON KELLEY STAND ROAD REHABILITATION

TOWN HIGHWAY No. 3  
FOREST HIGHWAY No. 6

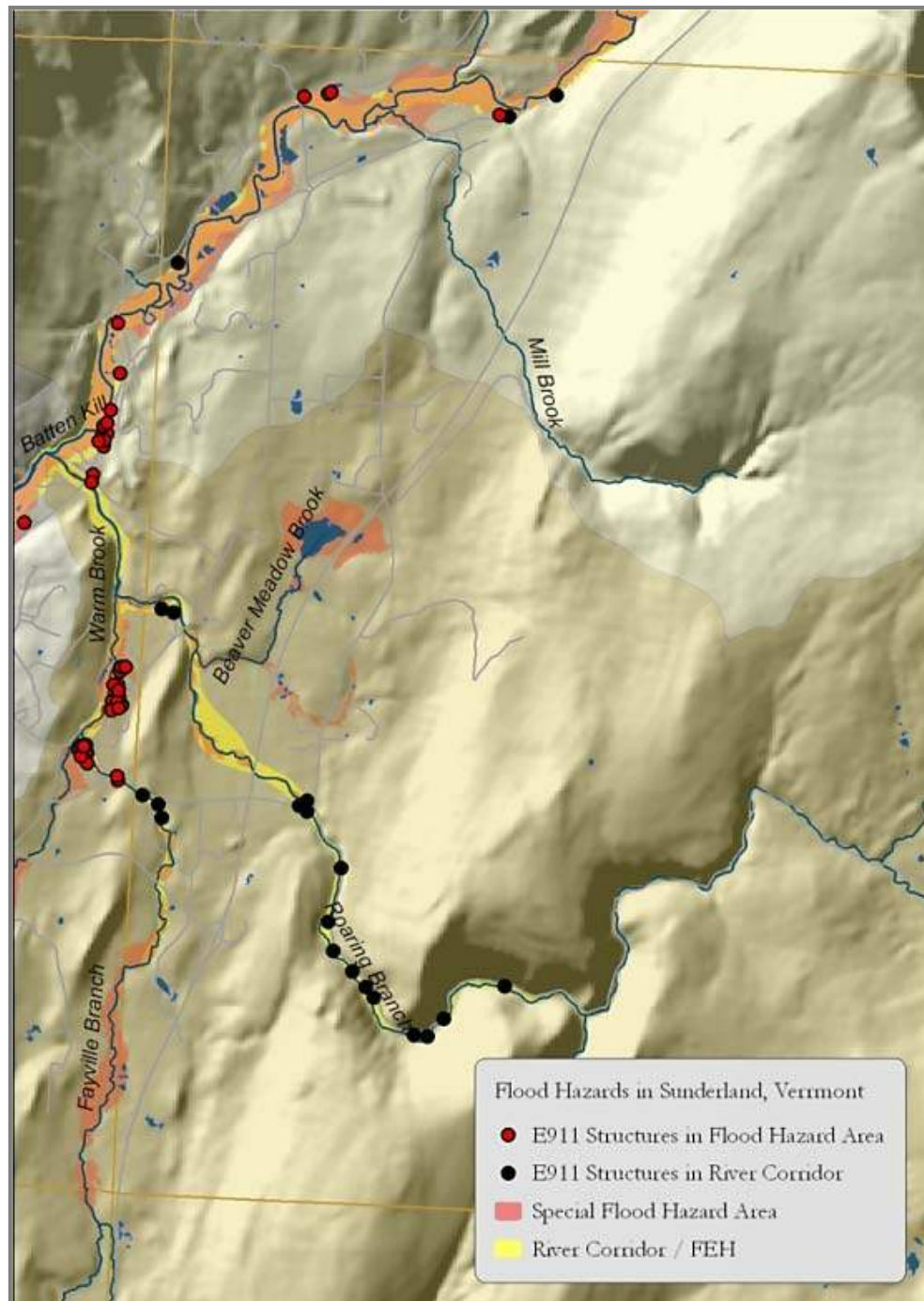
**PROJECT LOCATION:** LOCATED IN SUNDERLAND, VT, T.H. 3 (KELLEY STAND ROAD) BRANCHES OFF FROM KANSAS ROAD APPROXIMATELY 575 FT EAST OF THE U.S. ROUTE 7 OVERPASS.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** WORK TO BE PERFORMED UNDER THIS PROJECT INCLUDES ROADWAY REPAIRS AND RECONSTRUCTION, STREAMBANK ARMORING, BRIDGE REHABILITATION, AND BRIDGE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT.

LENGTH OF ROADWAY: 4.52 MILES  
LENGTH OF BRIDGE 16: 75 FEET  
LENGTH OF BRIDGE 17: 63 FEET  
LENGTH OF PROJECT: 4.55 MILES











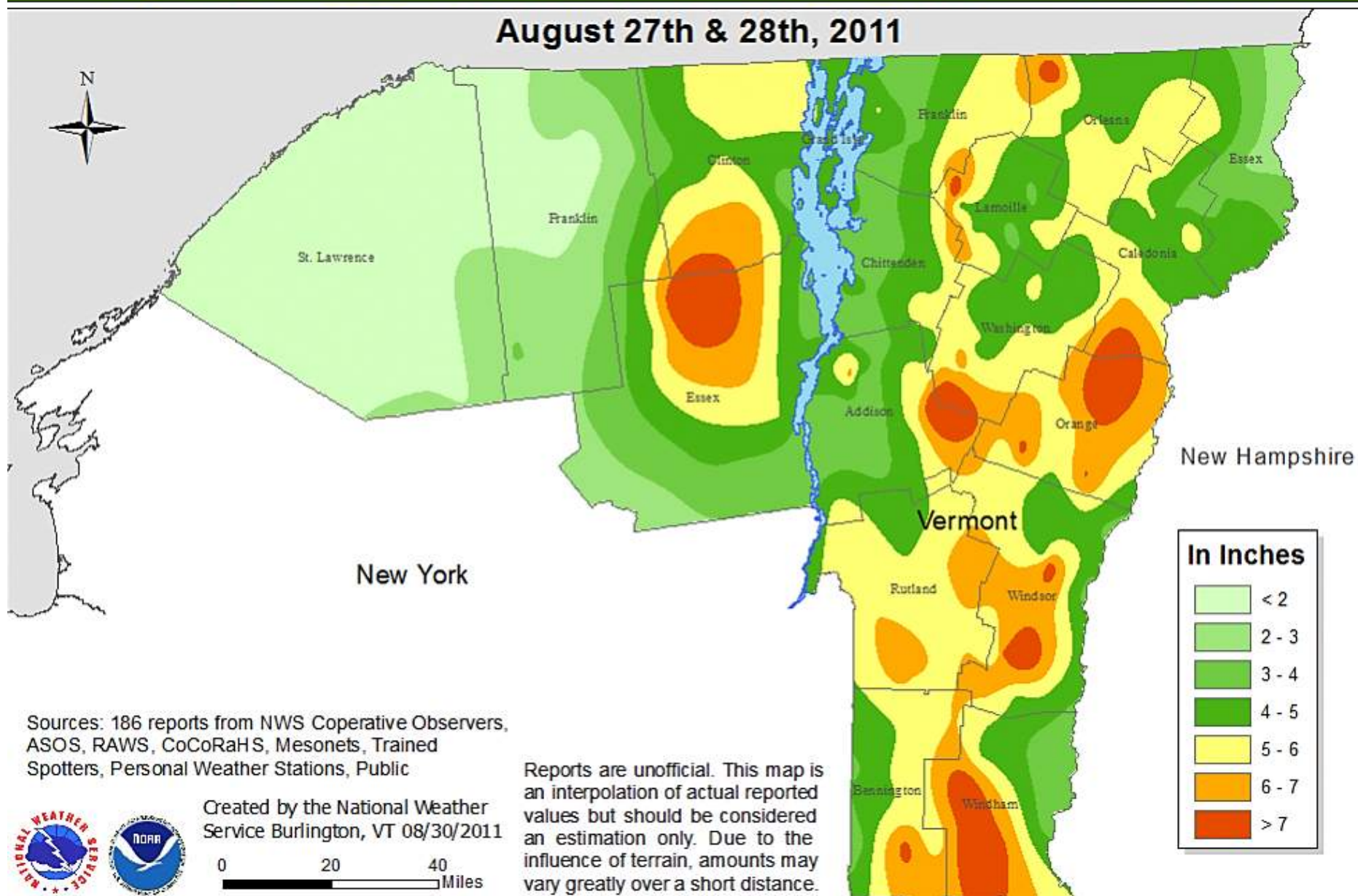


# Tropical Storm Irene

- August 27-28, 2011
- 5.16 inches of rain recorded during event at Sunderland rain gage (located downstream)
- Between a 10 and 25-yr storm event for this area
- Watershed Areas:
  - 9.3 square miles upstream
  - 19.3 square miles downstream
- Resultant stream flows
  - 1,000 cfs upstream
  - 2,000 cfs downstream

# Tropical Storm Irene Total Rainfall - Northern New York & Vermont

August 27th & 28th, 2011

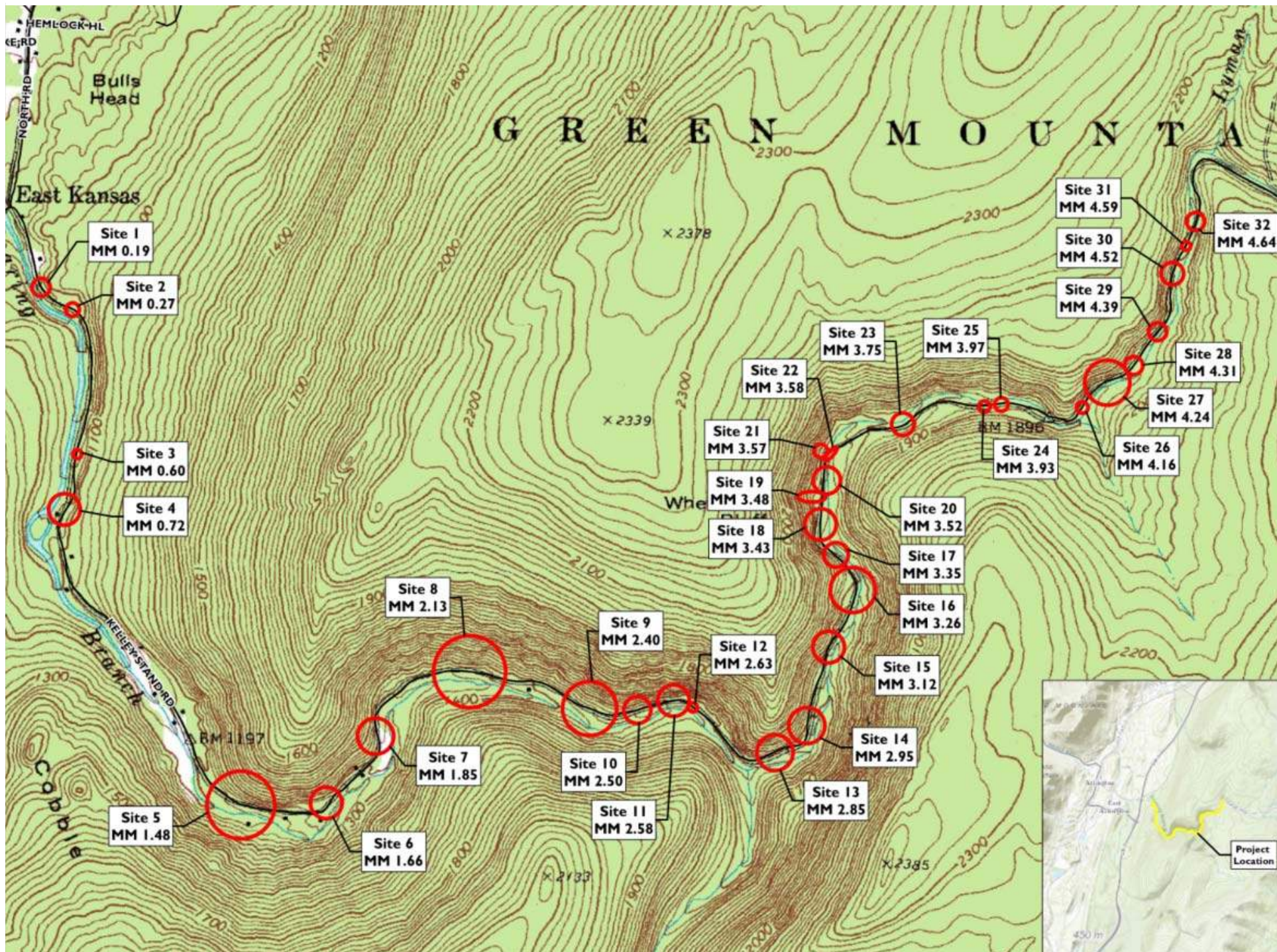




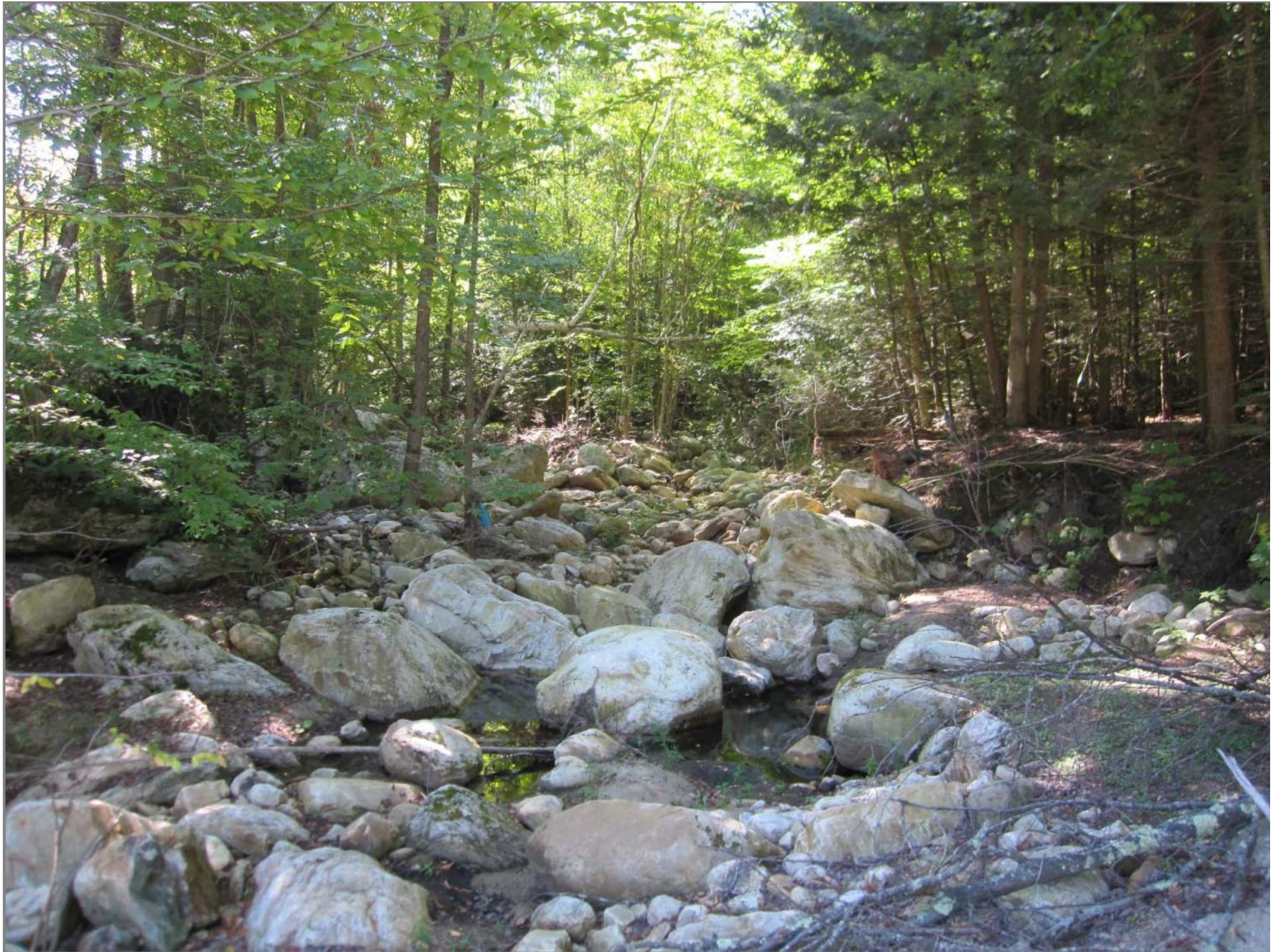
# Post-Irene Investigation and Design

- Downstream reaches cleared following storm
- Majority of roadway remained closed
- 32 locations where treatments required
- Stream cross-sections and measurements
- Geotechnical investigation
- Bridge analysis and design
- Ledge outcrops and decision to blast
- Stormwater management















































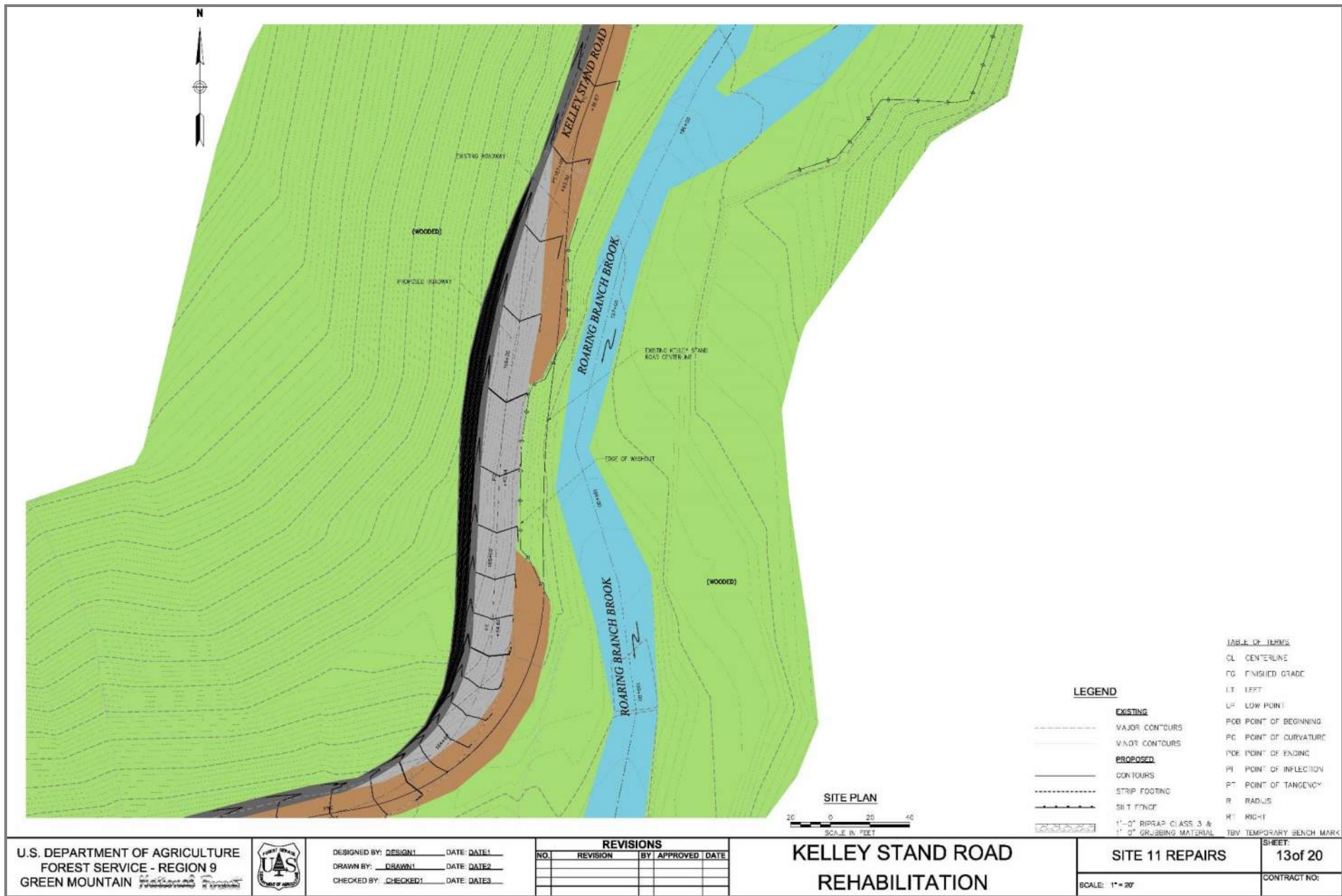




# Design Criteria and Construction Planning

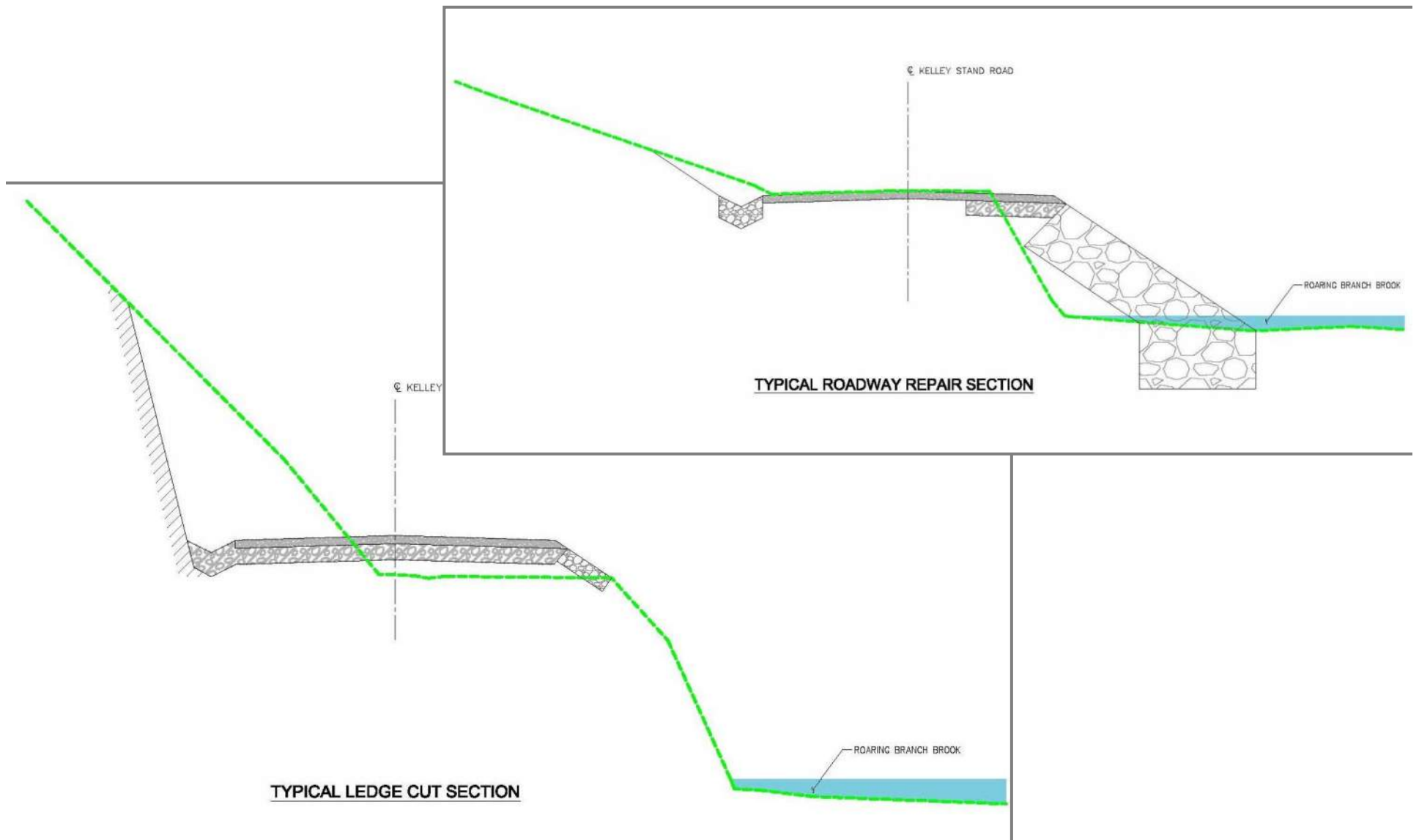
- Relocate road where feasible and pull back to unerodable section for road bed
- Stacked boulder detail with pinned and grouted boulders to make vertical banks (6 to 8 feet high in some locations)
- Provide stable foundation for roadway, stable streambank for future events, flood bench where feasible
- Provide additional material for construction
- Crusher on-site to process in-place
- Brought-in crushed aggregate for roadway
- Woody debris added into site for grubbing materials – woody debris left in place





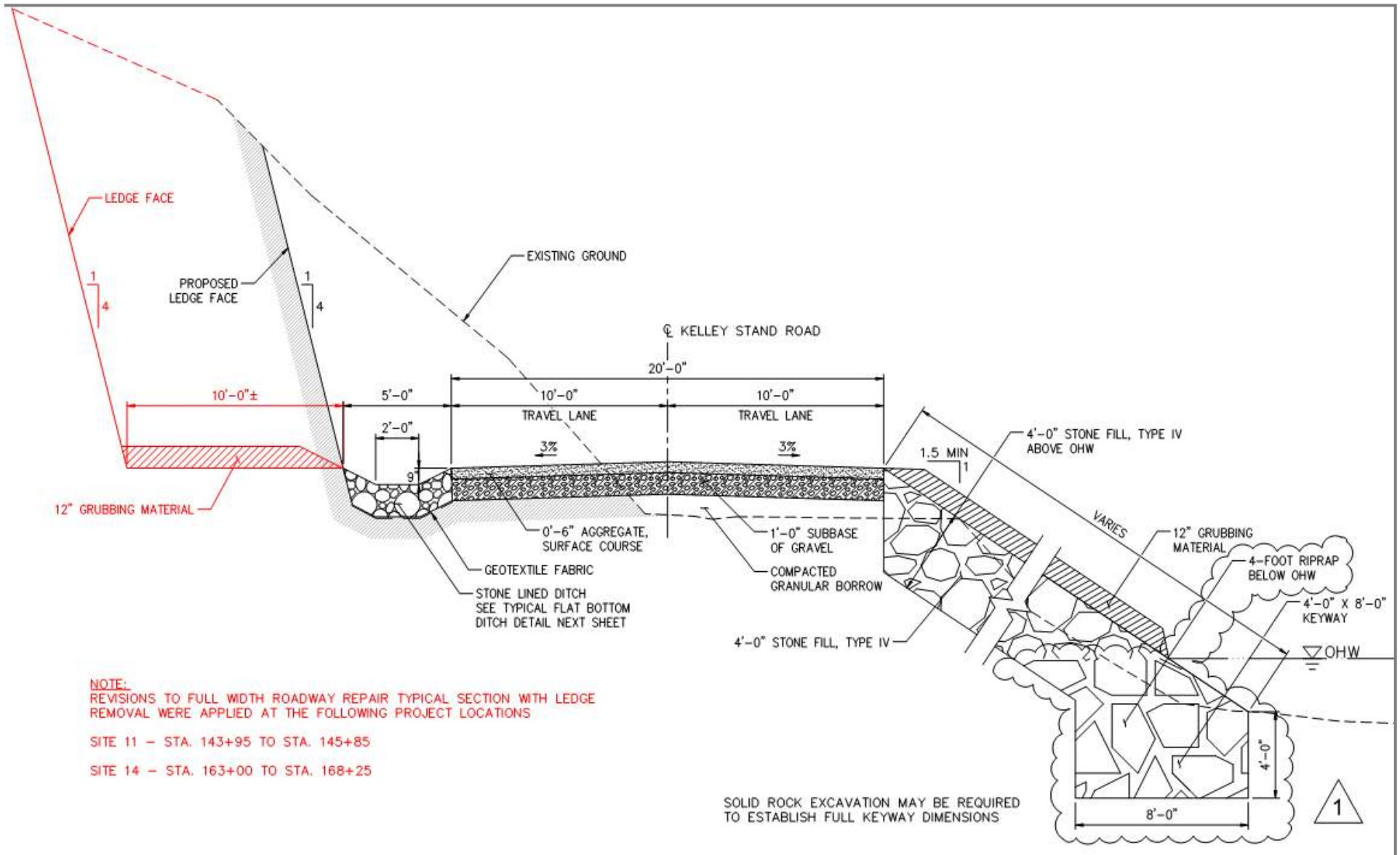


# Idealized Cross Sections



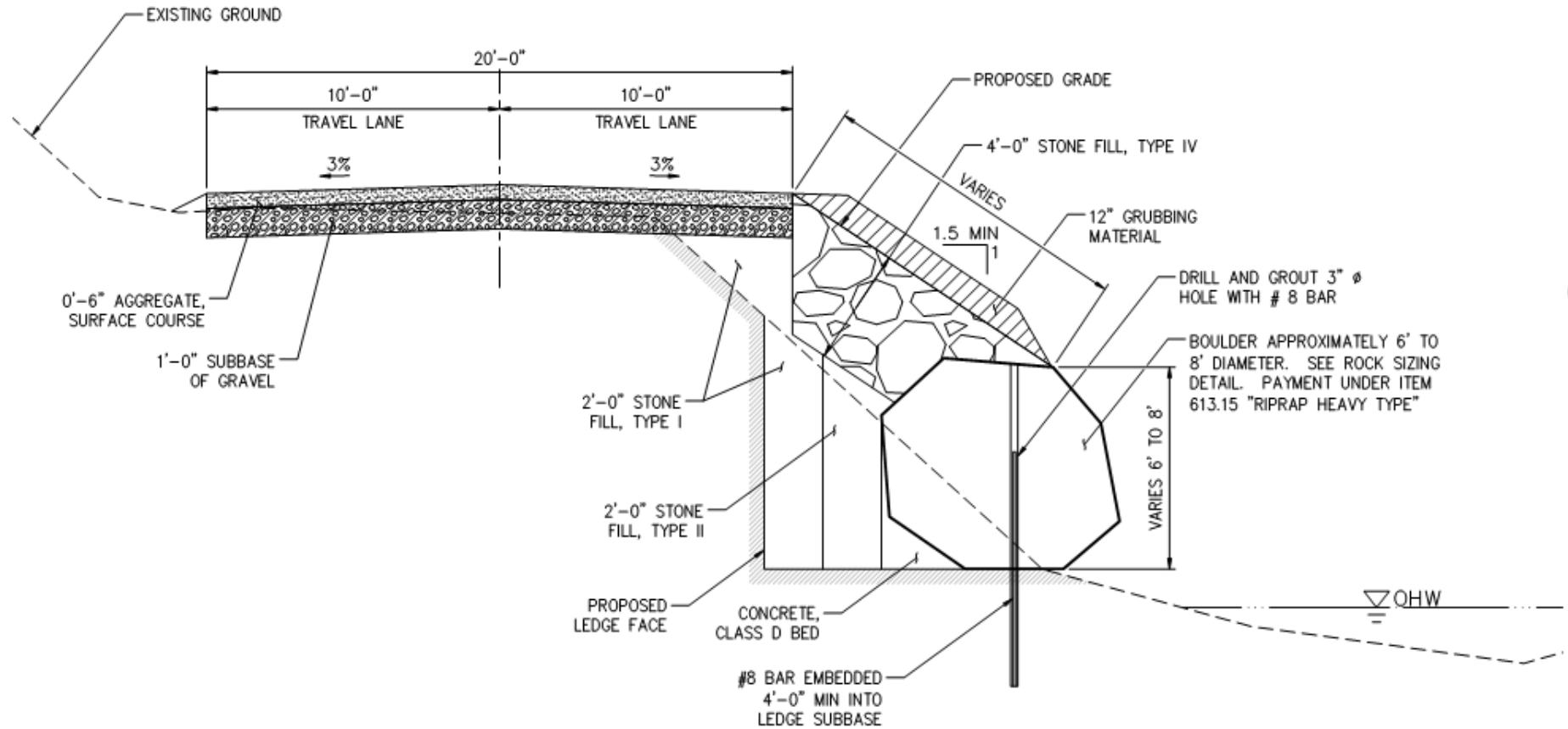


# As-Built Cross Section

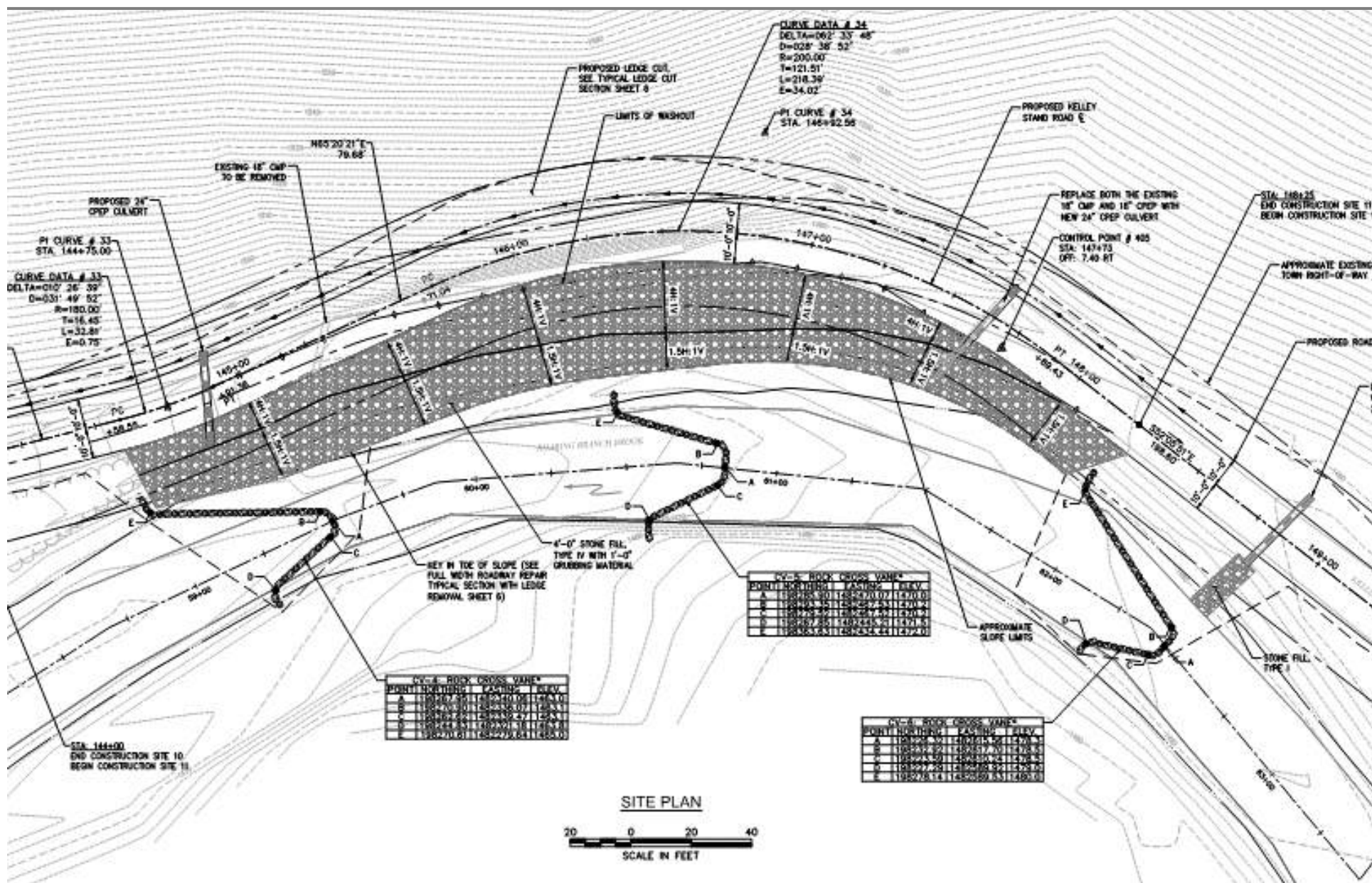




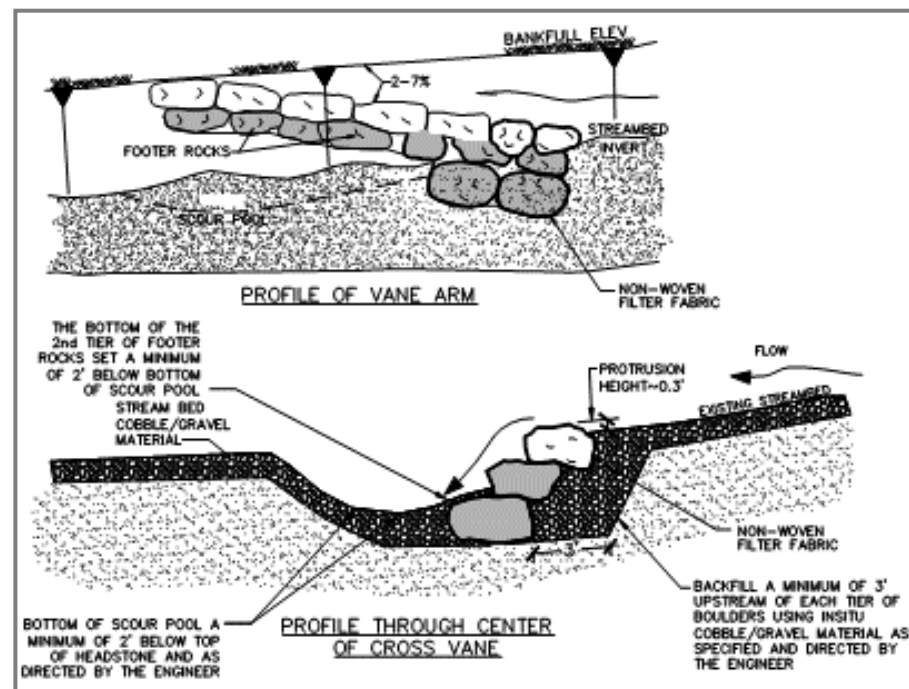
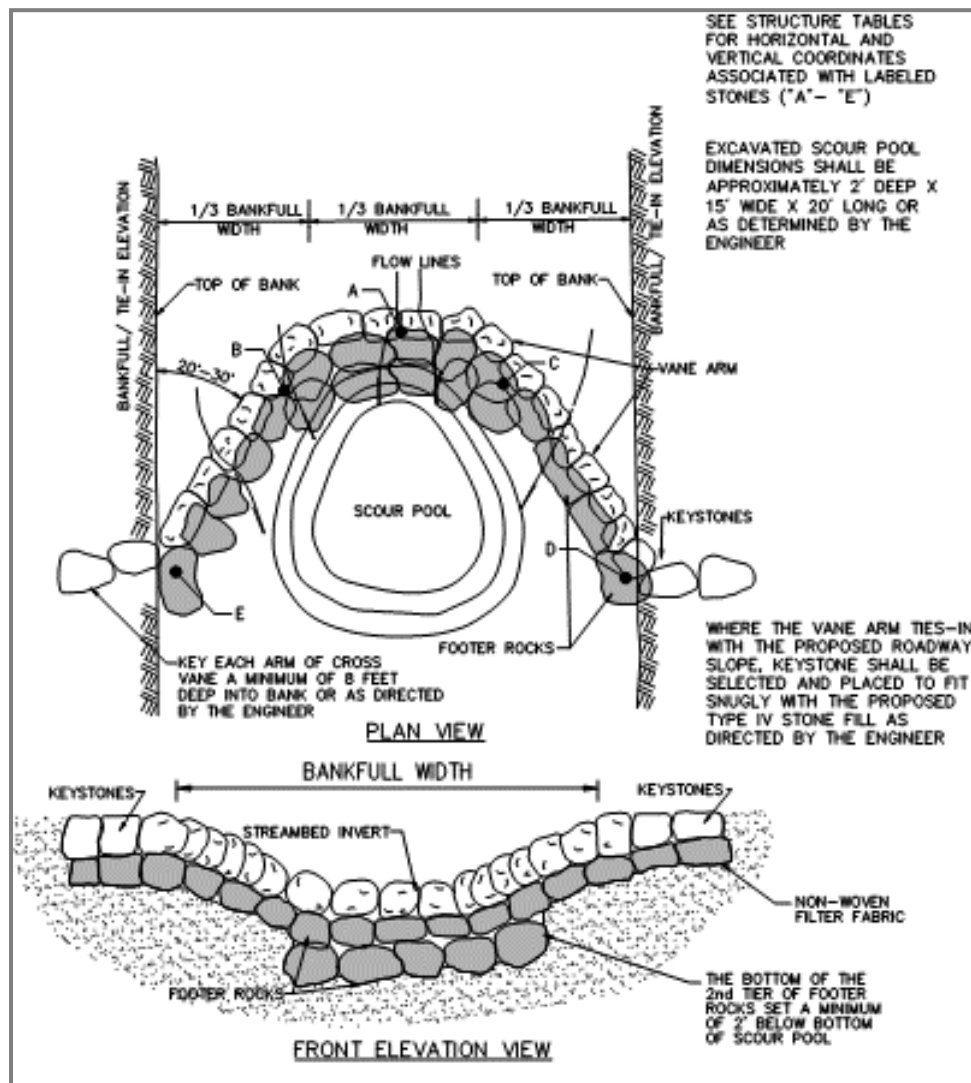
# Pinned Boulder Detail













# Construction

- Contractor had limited experience with in-stream work but was open to receiving direction; such collaboration was an important part of construction success
- Operators needed time to come up to speed
- Known at outset and planned for, senior geomorphologist spent a week in field with training
- Some structures were taken down and rebuilt following inspection
- Overburden removal didn't always reveal stable rock face that was anticipated
- Challenging site conditions within and adjacent to active channel

















































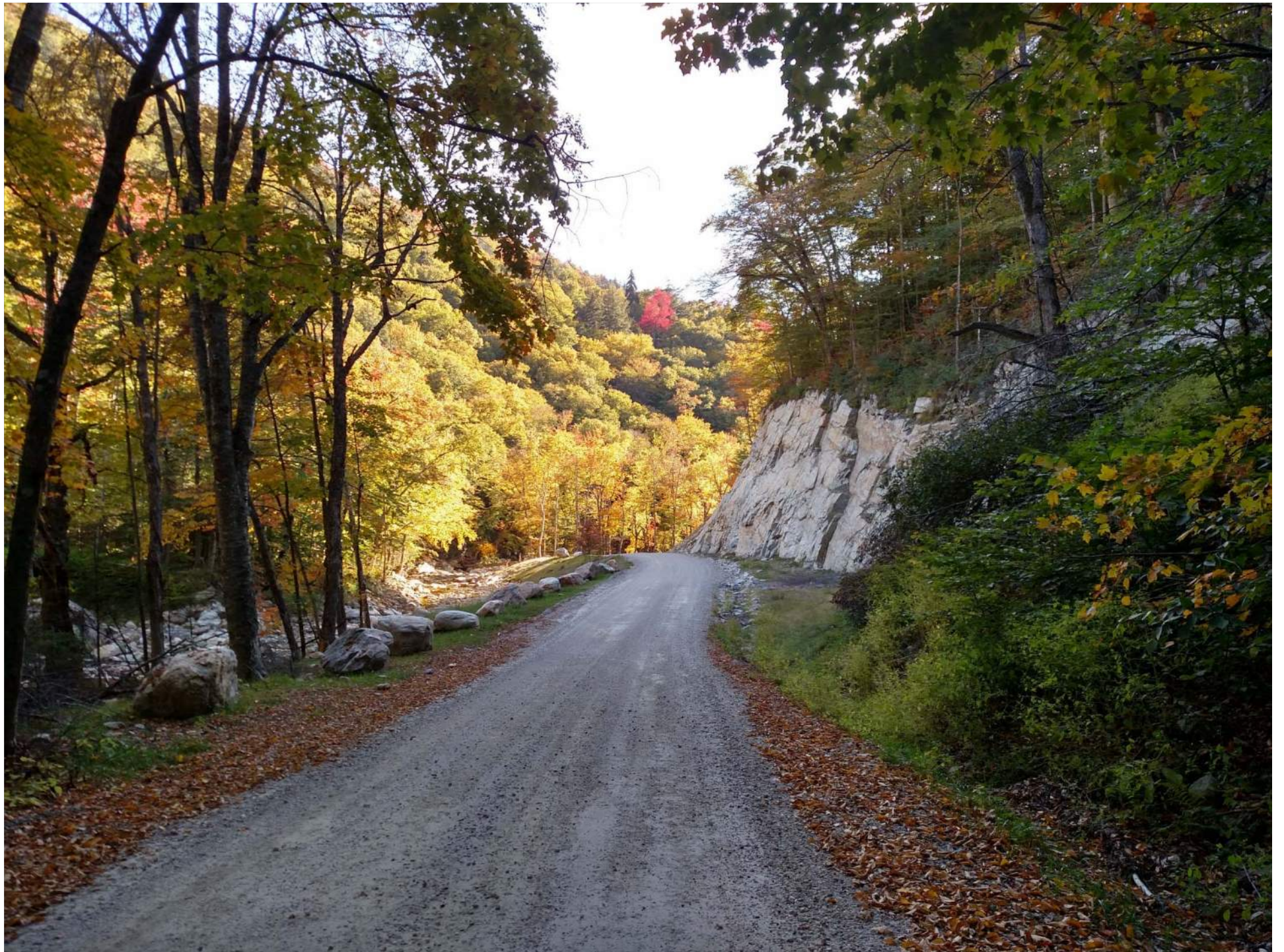














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