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Reconstruction of Regional Road 55
(Niagara Stone Road), from Four Mile Creek Road to
East West Line in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

Thursday, March 3 to Monday, March 7, 2022



About the Project

The Niagara Region is working in partnership with the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro on the current project for the construction of the following elements:

- Reconstruct Niagara Stone Road including new concrete curbs and asphalt
- Implement a centre left-turn lane along the entire project
- New Traffic Signals at the following intersections:
 - RR100 (Four Mile Creek Road) and RR55 (Niagara Stone Road)
 - Line 1 Road and RR55 (Niagara Stone Road)
 - East West Line Road and RR55 (Niagara Stone Road)
- Implement Active Transportation from Four Mile Creek Road to the Virgil Urban Boundary



About the Project

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- Implement streetscaping on Niagara Stone Road including:
 - Concrete crosswalks
 - Parkettes with landscaping
 - Decorative lighting
- Overhead hydro conversion to underground
- New roadway lighting
- Storm sewer improvements
- Rural road reconstruction from Urban Boundary to East West Line
- New concrete sidewalks



Background Information

In 2013, the Niagara Region undertook a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to evaluate and recommend transportation improvements for Niagara Stone Road (Regional Road 55) from Four Mile Creek Road to East West Line, and from Concession 6 Road to Crossroads Public School in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake. It was proposed that the road be reconstructed from a rural road to an urban cross section that includes Active Transportation, curbs, and through lanes from Four Mile Creek Road to Line 1 Road and from Cross Roads School to Concession 6 Road. It was also proposed that a rural cross section from Line 1 Road to East West Line be implemented.

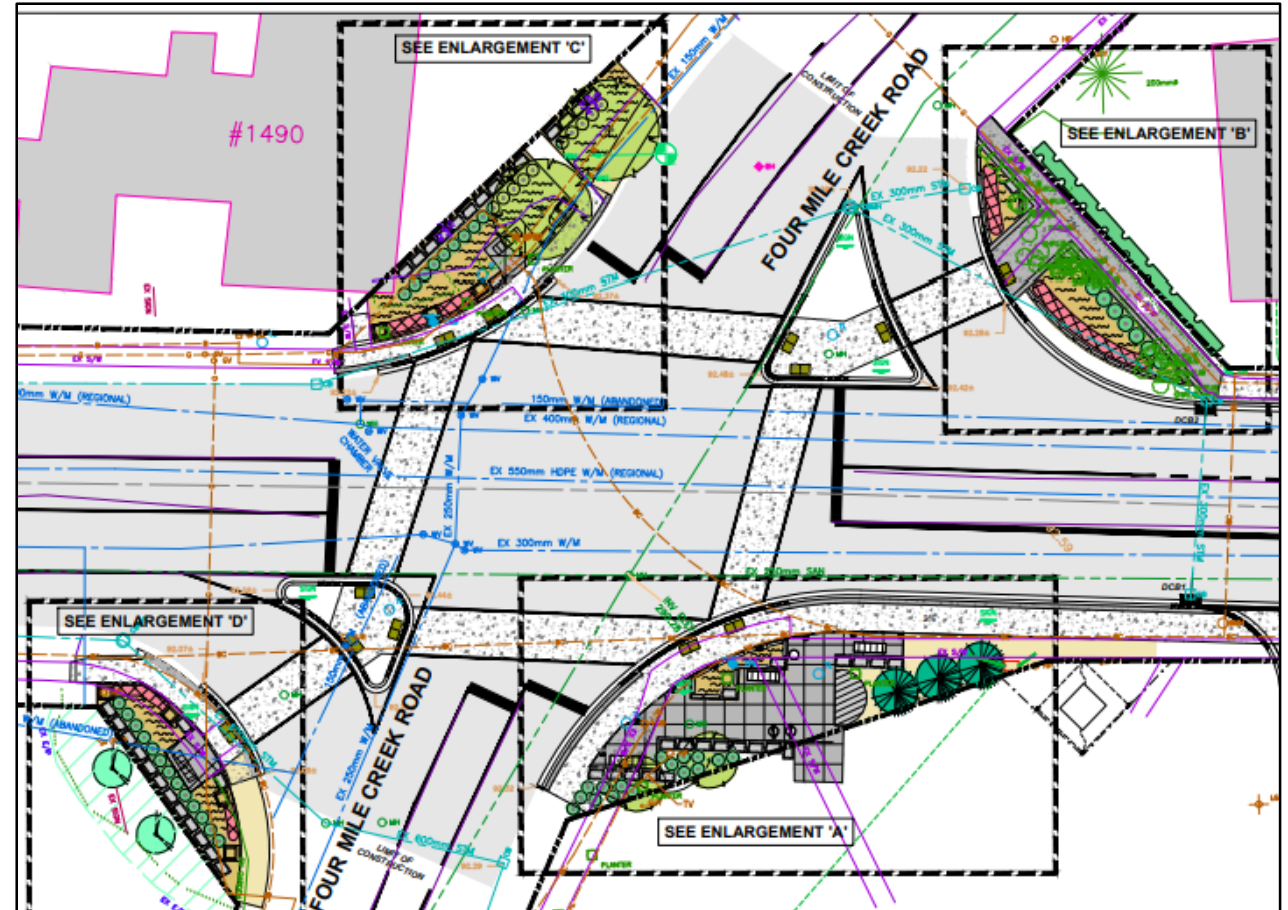
Project Status:

- Class Environmental Assessment has been completed (2015)
- Niagara Stone Road from Cross Roads School to Concession 6 Road has been reconstructed (2018)
- Detailed design for Niagara Stone Road from Four Mile Creek Road to East West Line complete

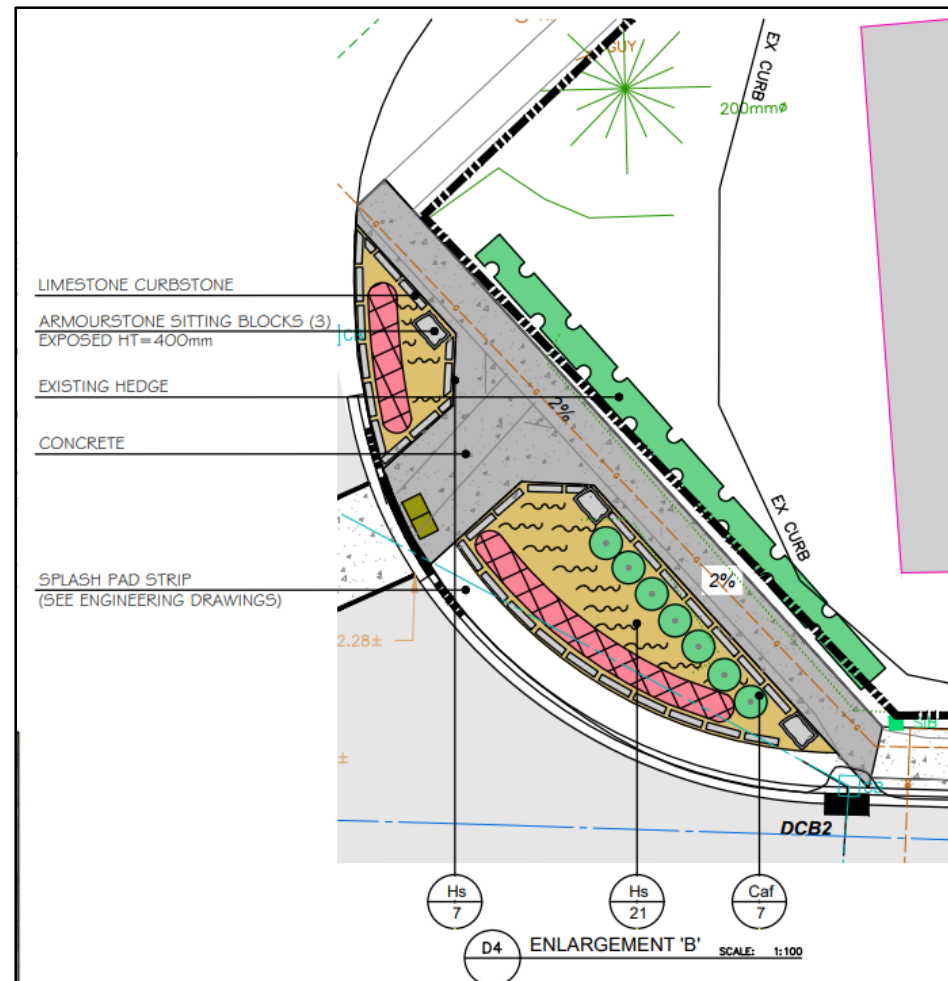
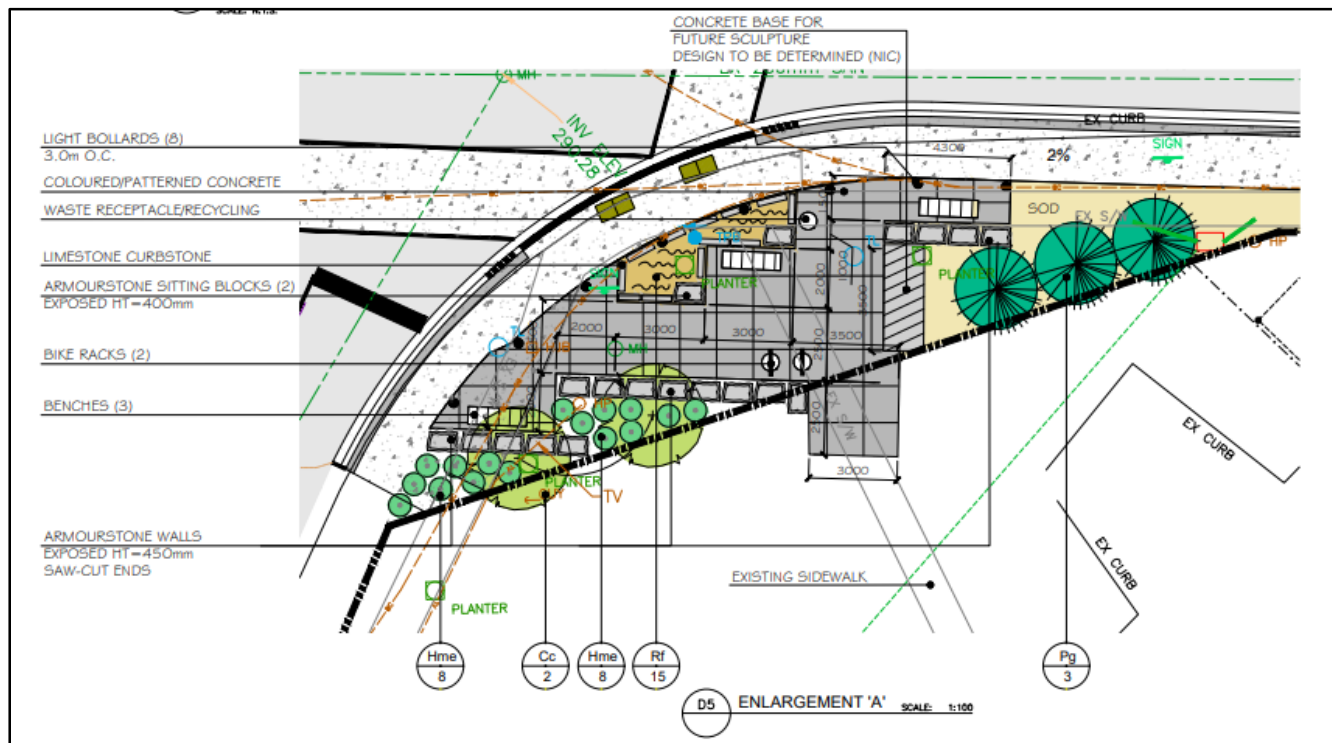


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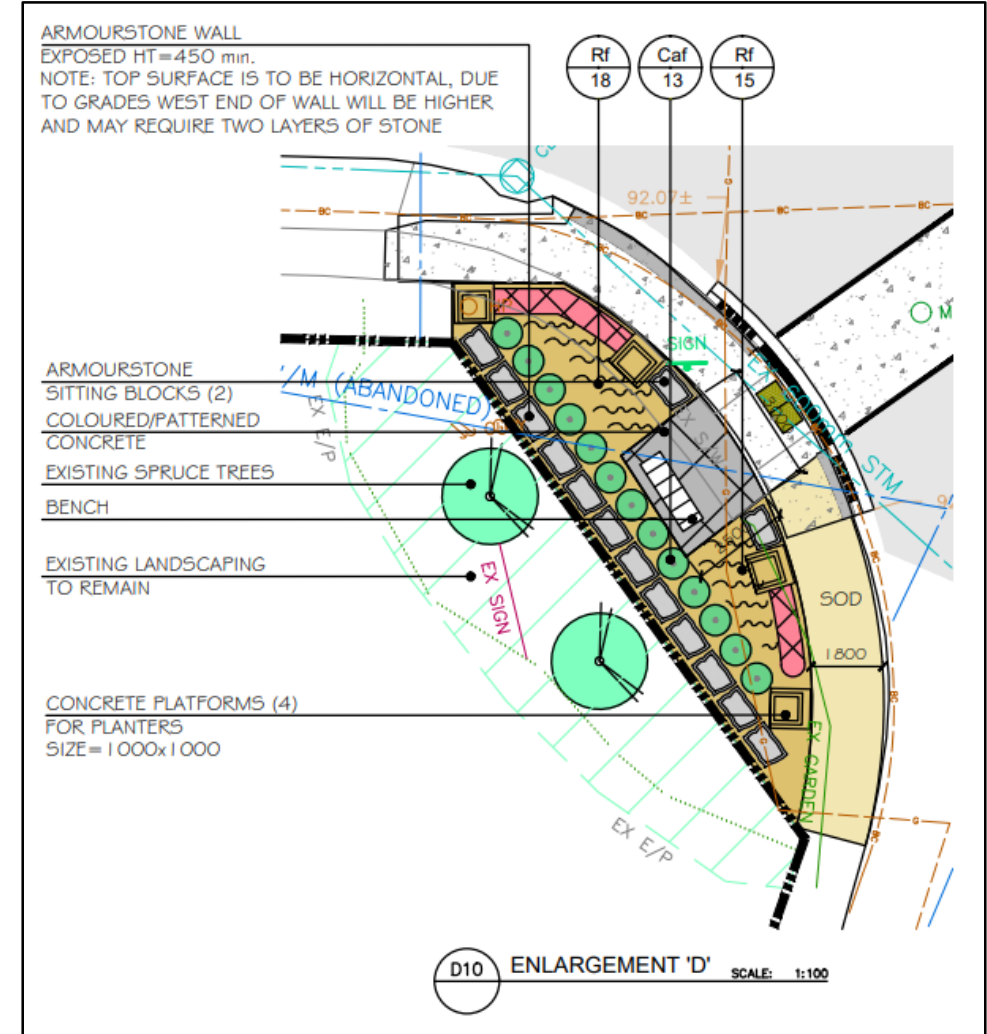
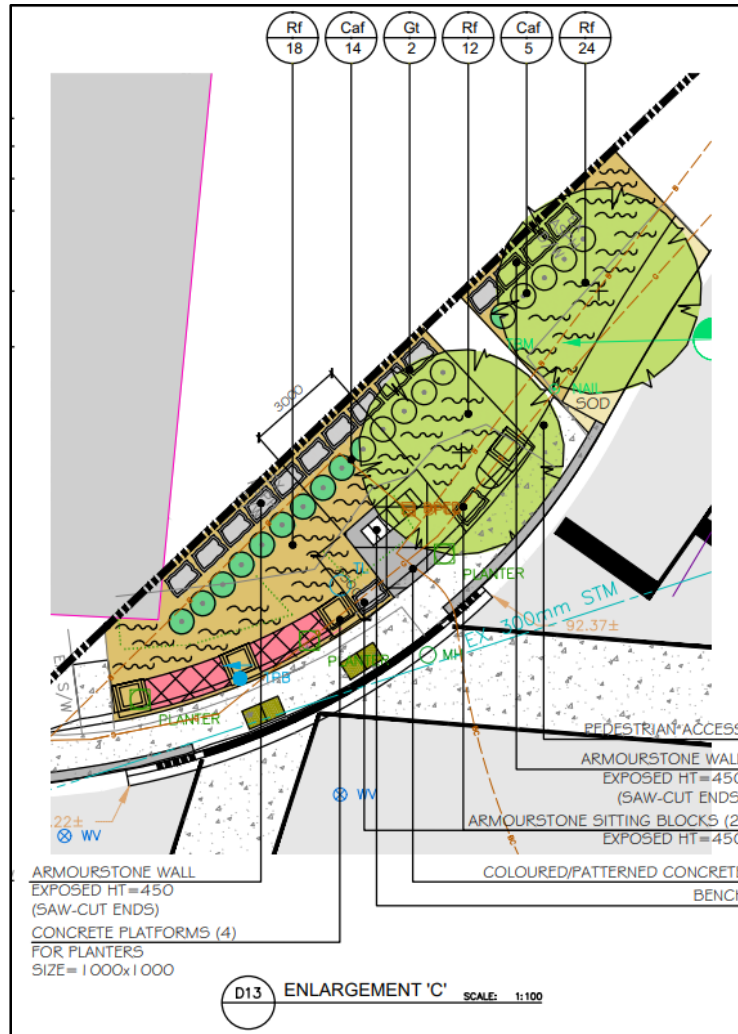
- Enhanced streetscaping at Four Mile Creek Road and Niagara Stone Road Intersection
- Includes bike racks and sitting area
- Landscaping and planting beds
- Streetscaping to represent the identity of the Village of Virgil
- Concrete crosswalks at the signalized intersection



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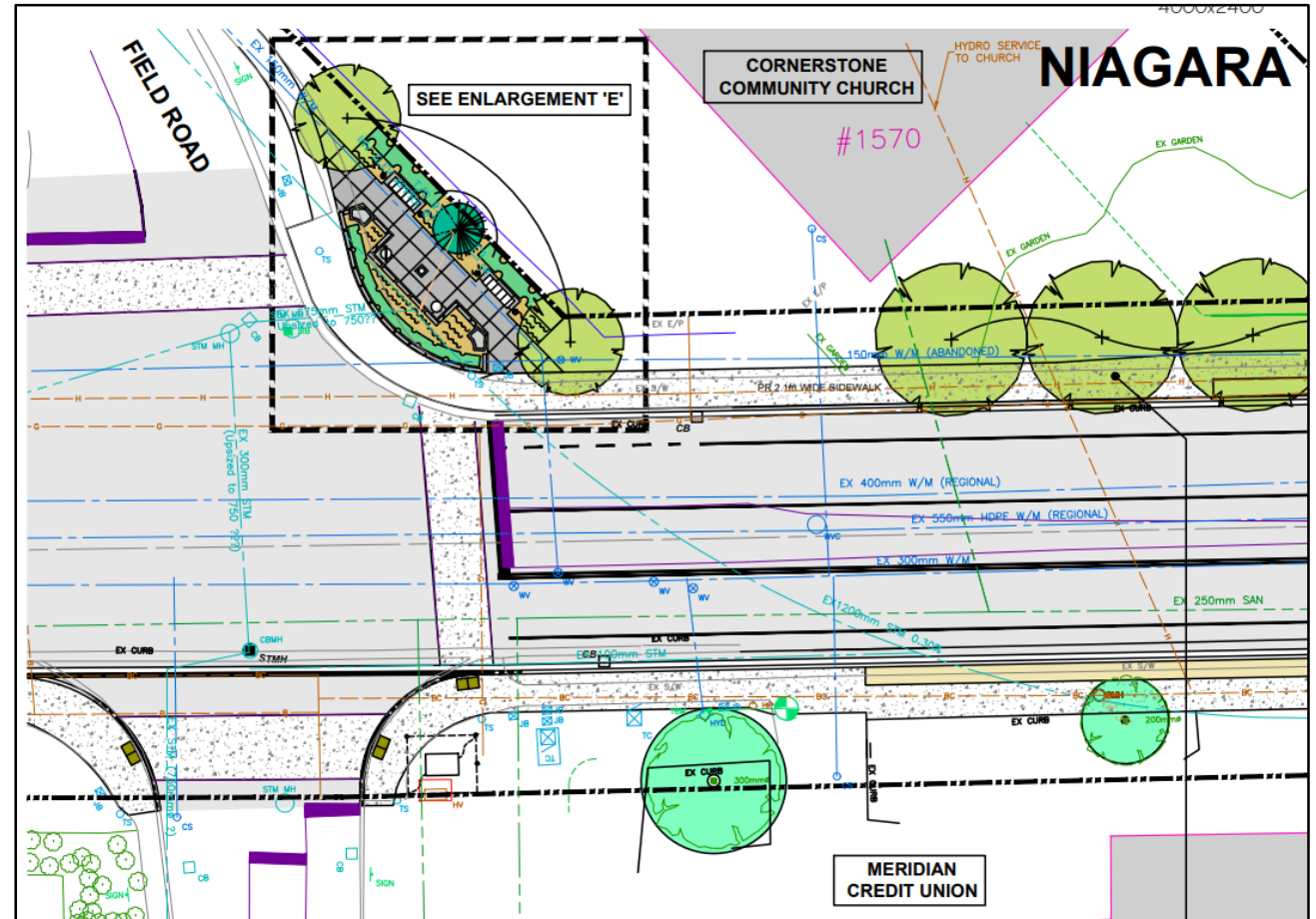


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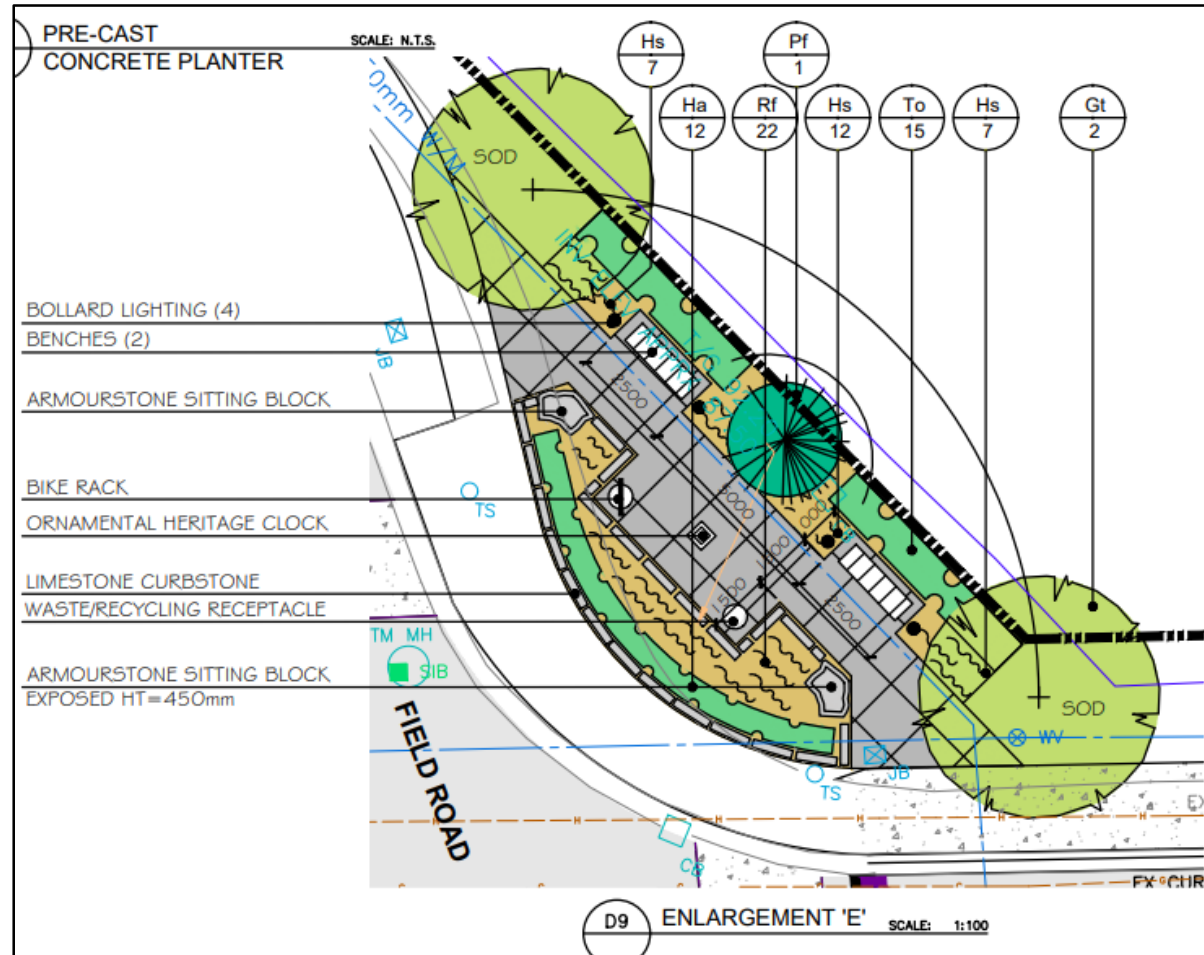


Proposed Work: Streetscaping Design

- Enhanced streetscaping at Field Road and Niagara Stone Road Intersection
- Includes bike racks and sitting area
- Christmas tree and Decorative Heritage Clock
- Landscaping and planting beds
- Concrete crosswalks at the signalized intersection

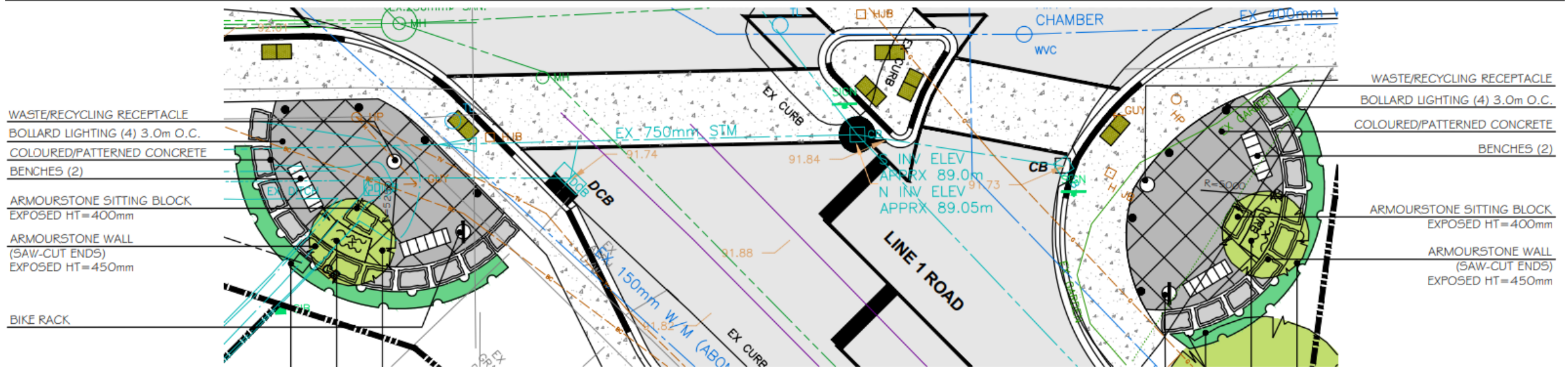


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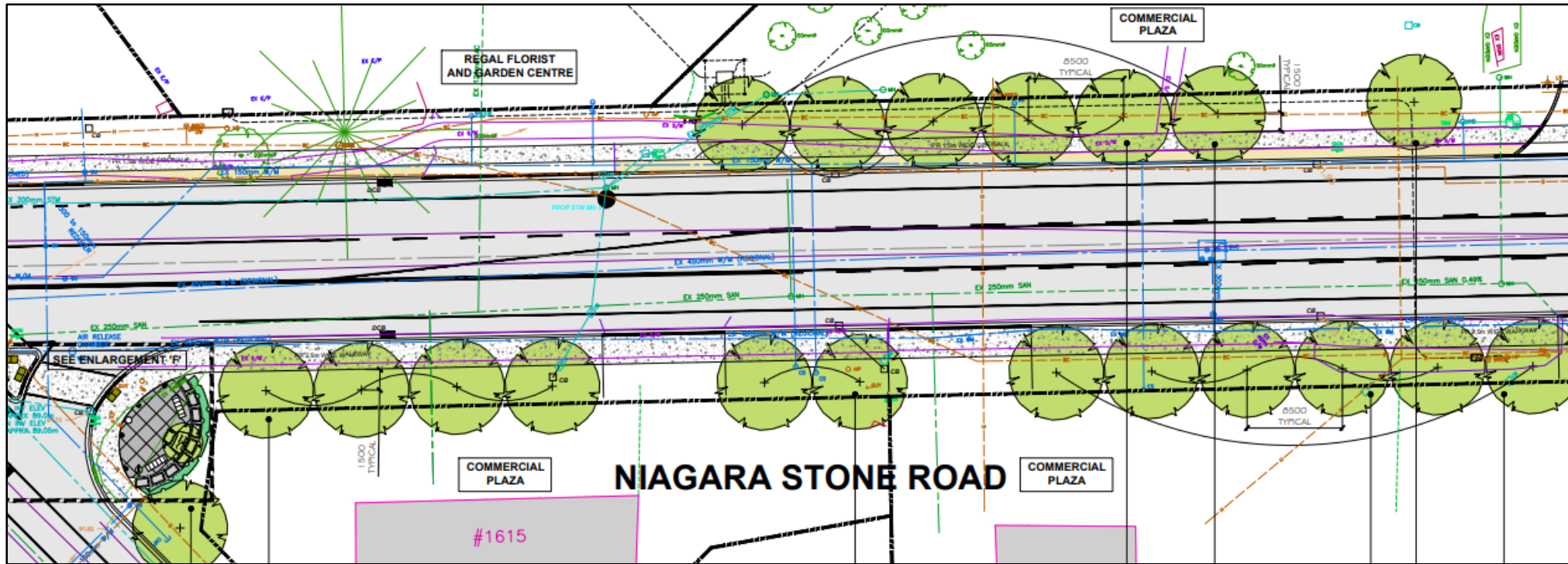


Proposed Work: Streetscaping Design

- Enhanced streetscaping at Line 1 Road and Niagara Stone Road Intersection
- 2 intersection quadrants will be improved
- Includes bike racks and sitting area
- Landscaping and planting beds
- Concrete crosswalks at the signalized intersection



Proposed Work: Typical Urban Streetscaping



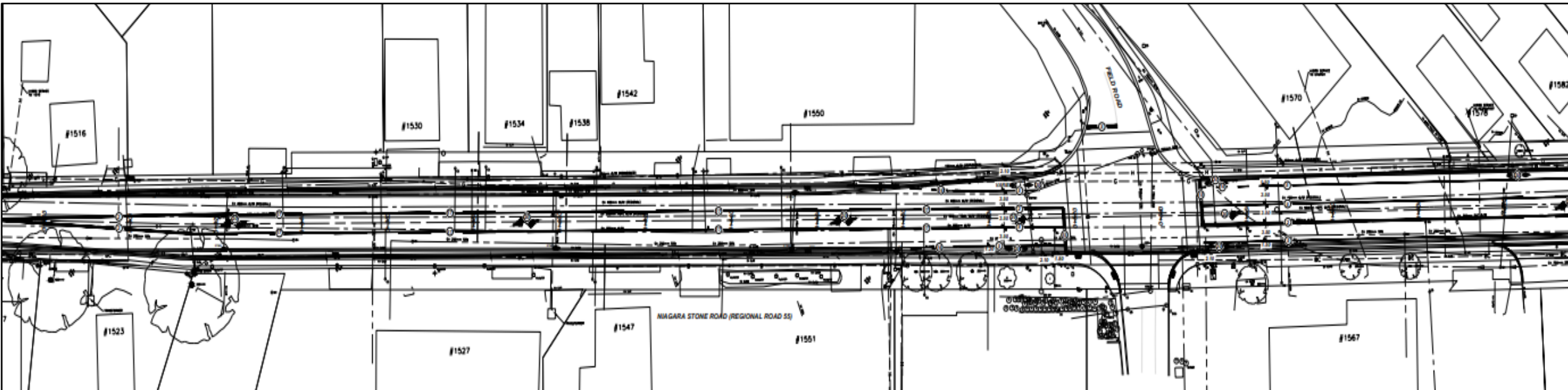
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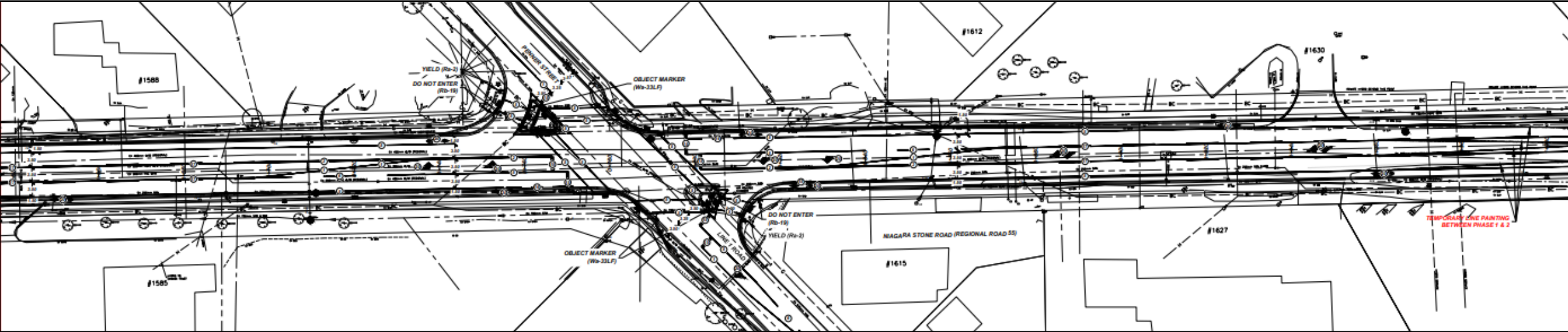


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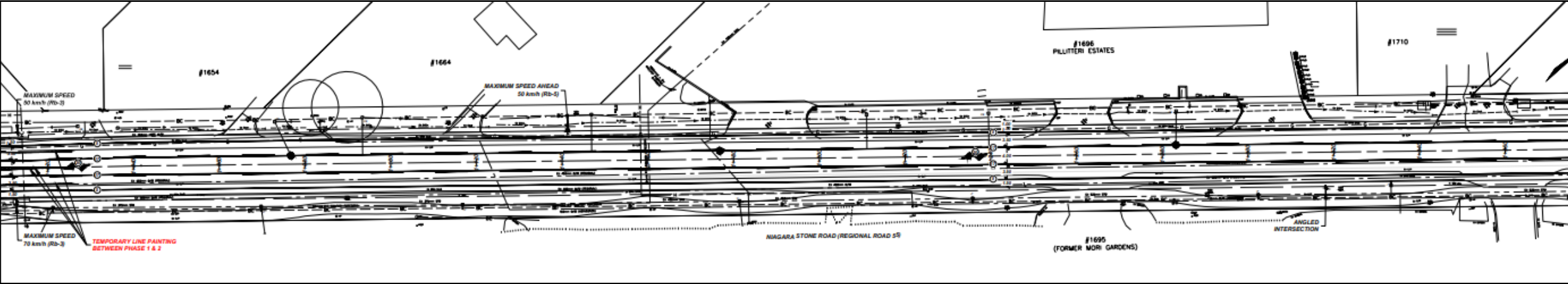
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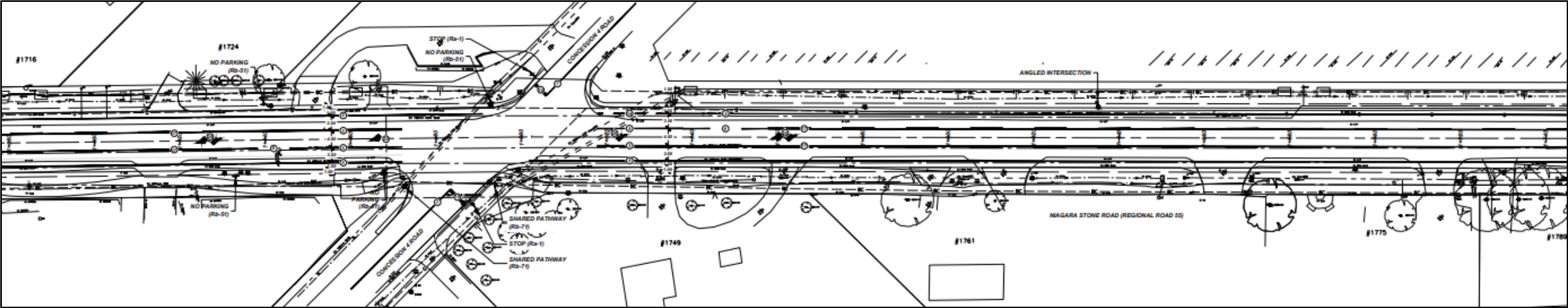
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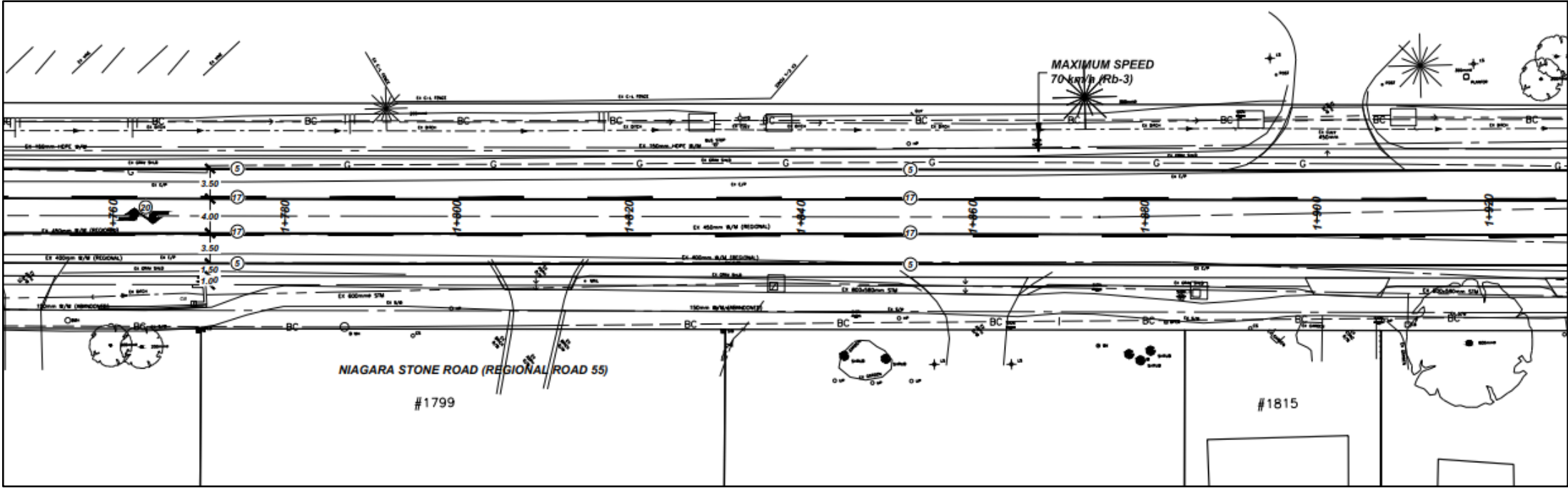
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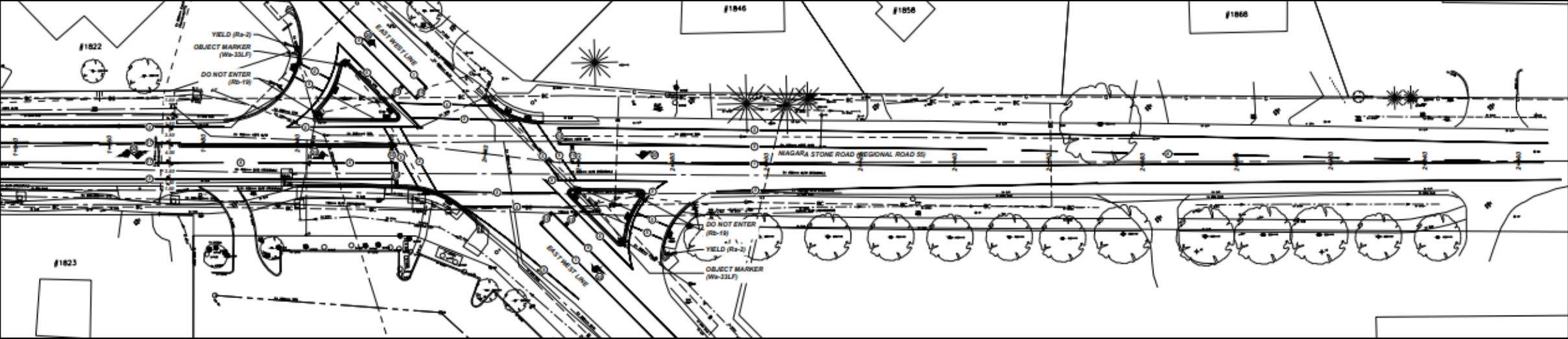
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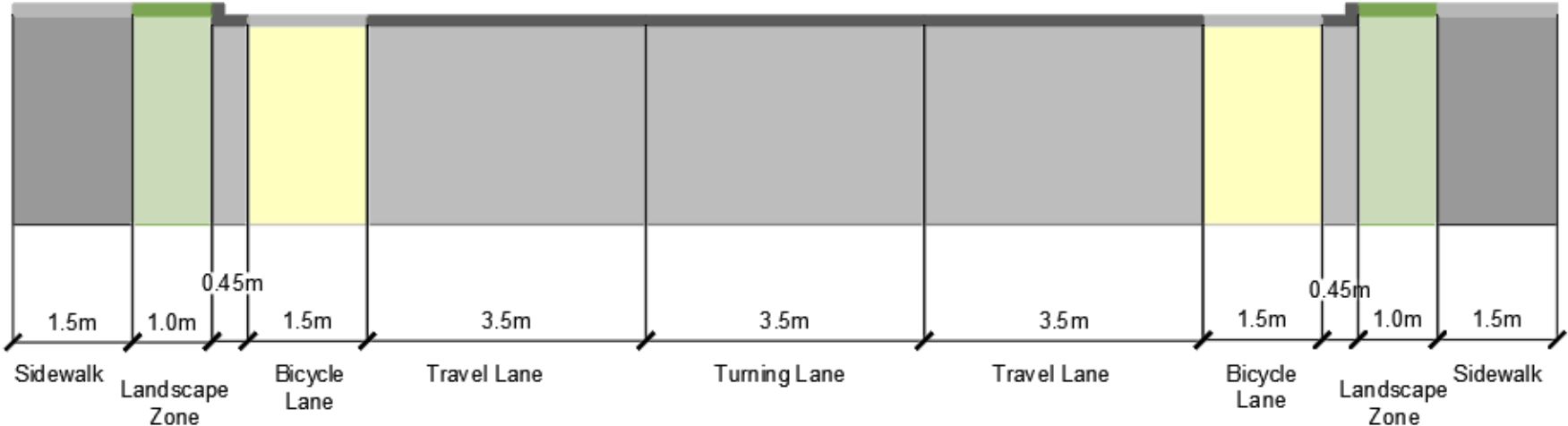


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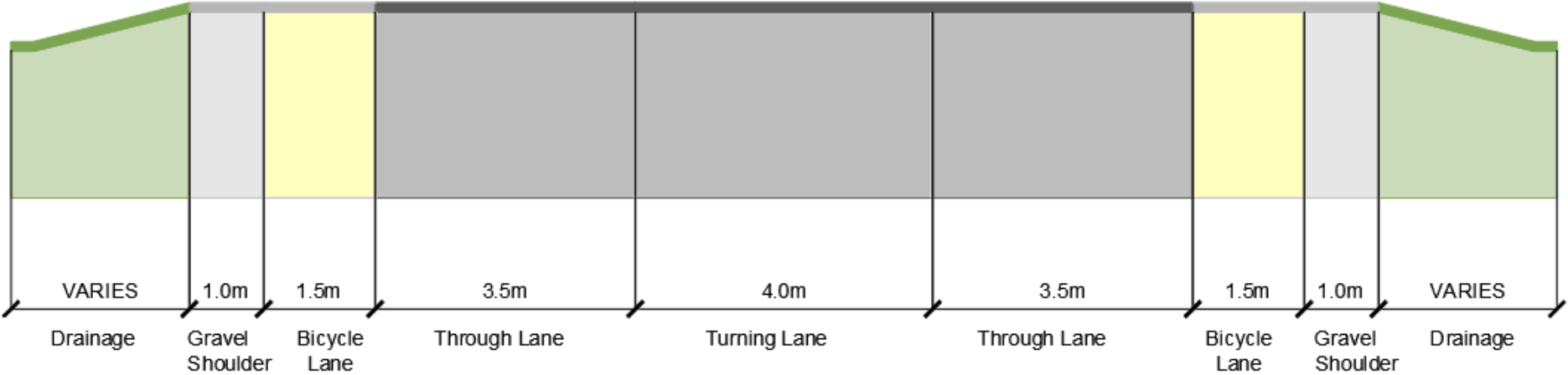
Proposed Work: Urban Cross-Section

TYPICAL URBAN CROSS-SECTION



Proposed Work: Rural Cross-Section

TYPICAL RURAL CROSS-SECTION



Schedule of Construction Works – Stage 1 (Urban Area)

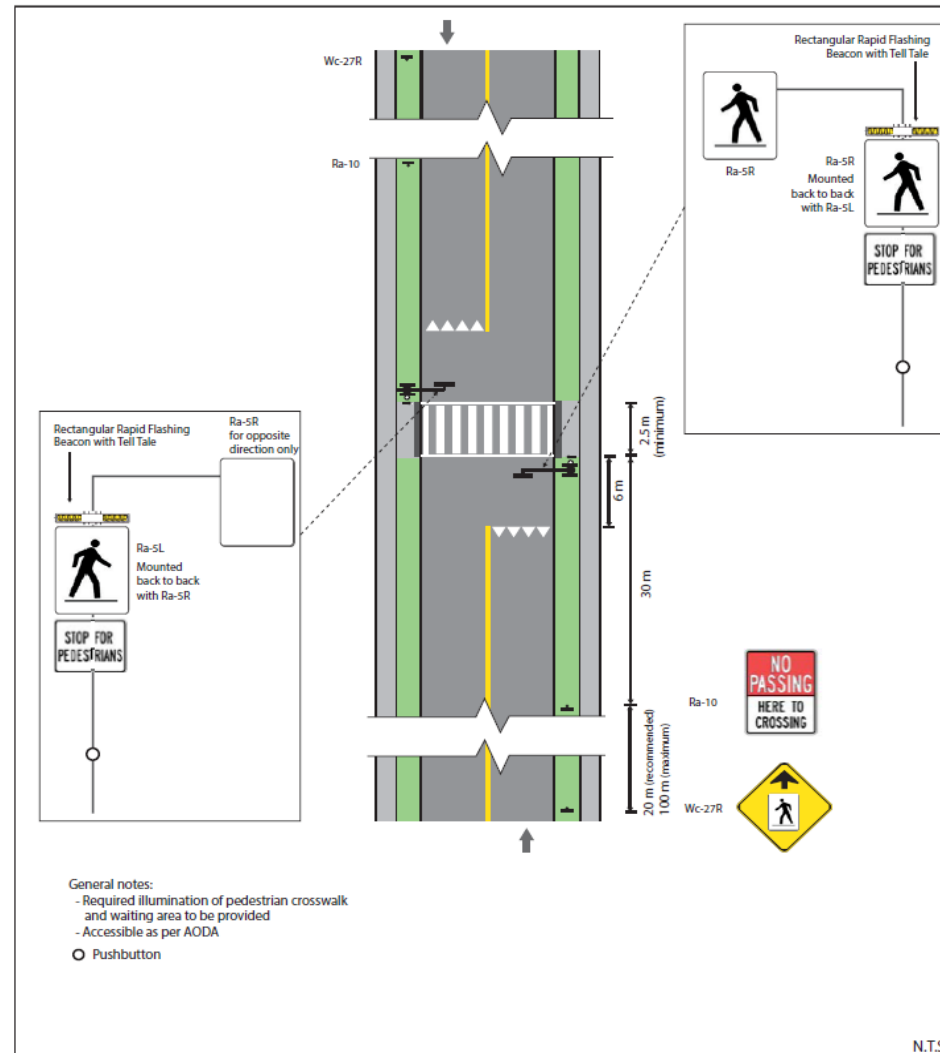
Project Item	Target Completion Date
Begin urban section construction (Four Mile Creek Rd to approximately 200m north of Line 1 Rd)	April 2022
Urban section (base asphalt, underground works, curb and gutter complete)	End of June 2022
No work impacting through traffic	July 1, 2022 to September 5, 2022
Off-road construction works will be undertaken	July 1, 2022 to September 5, 2022
Urban road construction begins fall work	Begin September 2022
Urban road construction completion (final asphalt, line painting, lighting, streetscaping)	Late Fall/ Winter 2022
Stage 1 (Urban Area) Construction Complete	Winter 2022

Schedule of Construction Works – Stage 2 (Rural Area)

Project Item	Target Completion Date
Begin rural section construction (approx. 200m north of Line 1 Rd to East West Line)	Spring 2023
Rural section (Base asphalt, shoulders, ditching complete)	End of June 2023
No work impacting through traffic	June 29, 2023 to September 4, 2023
Off-road construction works will be undertaken	June 29, 2023 to September 4, 2023
Rural road construction begins fall work	Begin September 2023
Rural road construction completion (final asphalt, line painting, restorations)	Late Fall/ Winter 2023
Stage 2 (Rural Area) Construction Complete	Winter 2023

Inclusion of Pedestrian Cross Over

The Niagara Region through consultation with the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake have concluded that the implementation of a new pedestrian cross over (PXO) will benefit the movement of pedestrian traffic on Niagara Stone Road. This Image is a very similar style that will be included as part of the project. The location of this PXO will be approximately mid block between Four Mile Creek Road and Field Road.



Overhead Utility Conversion

The Niagara Region has partnered with Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro to complete the overhead utility conversion as part of the road reconstruction and streetscaping works. Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro has initiated these proposed works as part of the public realm enhancements associated with the Regions' road works.

Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro offers the following statement:

In conjunction with the Niagara Region proposed infrastructure improvement project, Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro will be converting the aging overhead electrical distribution system to underground along Niagara Stone Road from Four Mile Creek Road to approximately 200 metres north of Line 1 Road. Eliminating the poles and wires will both improve aesthetics and offer greater reliability due to the system not being as vulnerable to weather events. Construction is expected to commence in the spring of 2022.

For properties currently fed with an overhead service, Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro is offering to coordinate the conversion of your service to underground and cover all associated costs. Customers will be contacted on an individual basis to coordinate the work required to complete the conversions. Properties currently fed with an underground service will simply be transferred over to the new underground system.

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Traffic During Construction



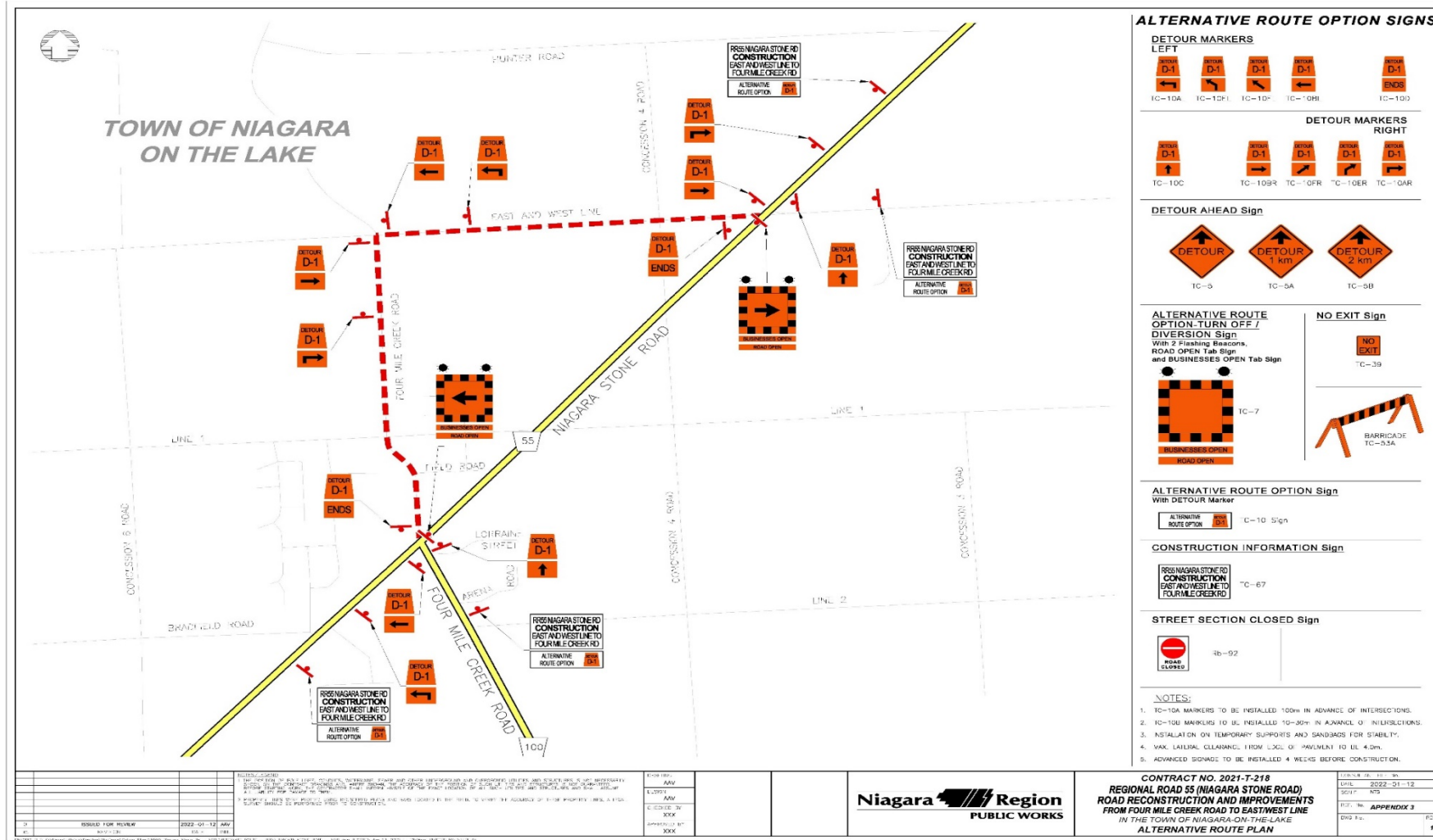
Through the Environmental Assessment process it was requested that the construction be kept to a minimum during the heavier tourist times. We have minimized the construction activities during July and August.

We will also be posting an alternative traffic route during the road works outside of the July and August times. Niagara Stone Road will be open to two lanes of traffic during July and August. Niagara Stone Road will remain open to one lane of traffic during construction. Traffic delays can be expected during construction.

There will be minor disturbances during construction, but advance notice will be provided when access will be impacted to your property. These disturbances will be kept to a minimum. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, although there will be modifications from time to time.

We do appreciate your patience during this time as we work to complete the improvements to Niagara Stone Road and the Virgil area.

Alternative Traffic Route



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Questions?

Your feedback will be important to us. To submit questions and/or comments, please use the online comment form available on the project webpage or contact one of the following project team members:

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