



## **S. Wasson Lane Reconstruction and Cascade Avenue Intersection Improvements**

**State Project No: 7994-00-49**

**Request for Proposals:  
Questions & Answers**

Issued: February 10, 2021

1. What is the age of the existing sewer and water through this corridor? Is there a need for replacement or upsizing?

Two plan sheets accompany this document that show utility configuration throughout the corridor. Most sewer and water infrastructure was installed in 1993. Outside of surface adjustments, there is no need to upsize or make significant changes to sewer and water infrastructure.

2. What is the makeup of the proposal review team?

There will be two staff from the engineering department, one staff from the community development department, and a City Council member.

3. Tell me more about the bridge over the South Fork.

The bridge was constructed in 2008. It was designed by SEH. Its structure number is B-47-0199.

4. Clarify real estate acquisition.

Preparation of a transportation project plat will be necessary for this project.

5. What are the existing drainage issues along the project?

Topography is very flat and there are wetlands and wetland indicator soils along most of the southern half of the project. There is a large drainage area coming to the intersection of Wildcat Court and S. Wasson Lane from the southeast. Existing conveyance is through two culverts under S. Wasson Lane that are partially submerged. This becomes a problem in the springtime freeze/thaw. It's expected that this conveyance will have to be studied carefully and replaced with this project.

6. Tell me more about traffic at the intersection of S. Wasson Lane and Cascade Avenue.

There are delays in both the AM and PM peak hours, concurrent with the time of school operations. This is a major bus route for the River Falls School District and coordination with the District will be important throughout design and construction.

7. Will the trail on the west side of the project require reconstruction?

It's anticipated that with grade changes, the trail will have to be reconstructed. If it's possible to salvage parts of the trail, the City is open to that however, it will require utilization of pavement maintenance techniques at a minimum.

8. What level of involvement will RFMU have in the lighting design?

RFMU will rely on the consultant to design the lighting. They will provide feedback throughout the design process but they are open to any lighting that will be supported by WisDOT.

9. Can you further explain the overhead electric on the west side of the project?

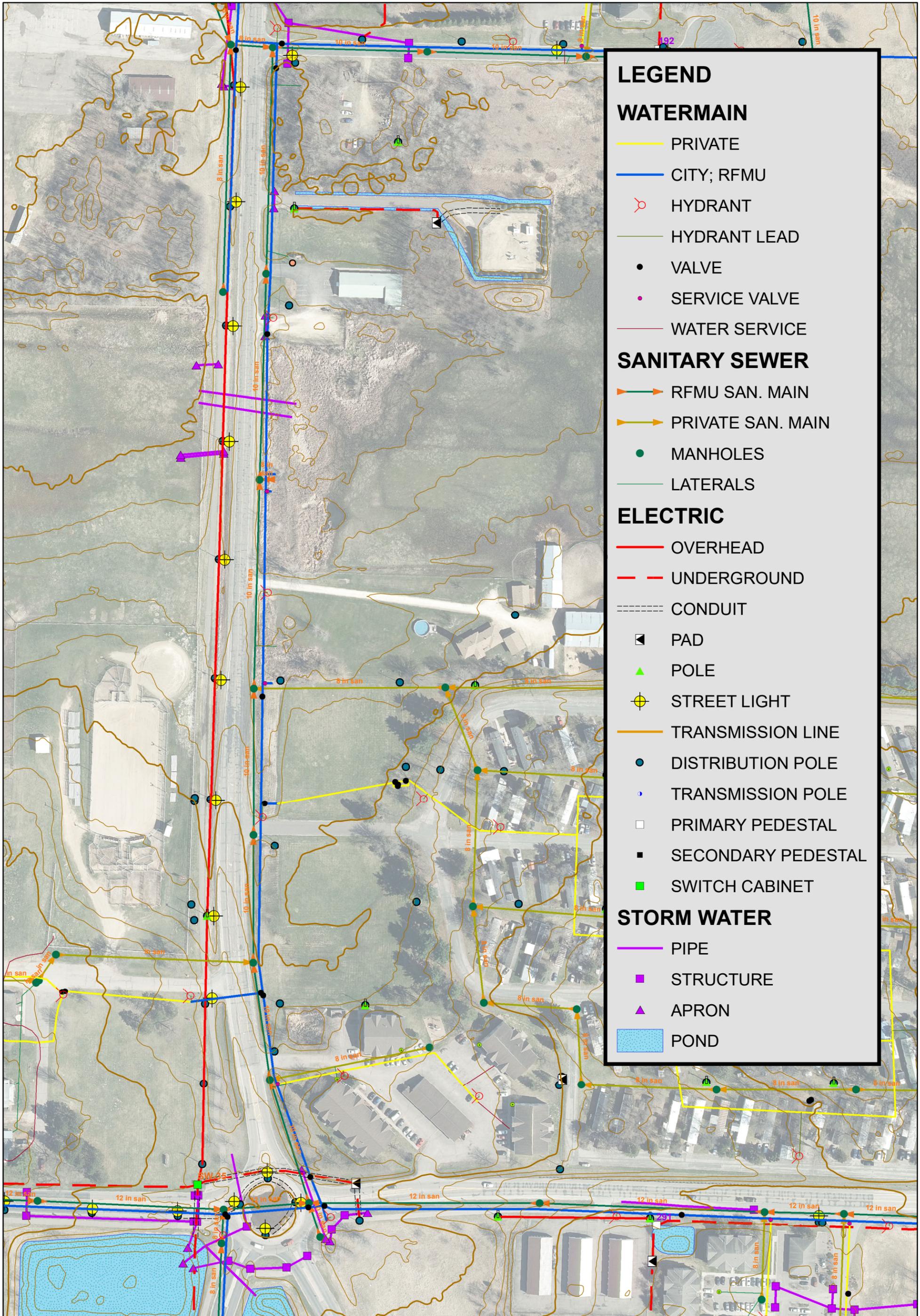
RFMU owns and operates 3-phase overhead electric on the west side of the project per the attached maps. There is no desire by them to make significant changes to this infrastructure. Grade changes at the base of the pole of less than one foot will be relatively simple to accommodate. RFMU is also willing to make necessary changes to parts of the line if it can't be avoided. RFMU and the City will encourage the consultant to avoid major impacts to this line.

10. Who are the key stakeholders in this project?

Coordination with the City, RFMU, Chippewa Valley Technical College, UW-River Falls, and River Falls School District will be important. It will also be important that the City maintain open communication with business and property owners along the corridor.

11. Will this contract be administered by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Equity and Environment as is stated on Page 3?

This was a typo. The contract will be administered by Wisconsin Department of Transportation but not the Bureau of Equity and Environment.



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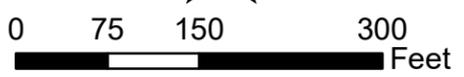
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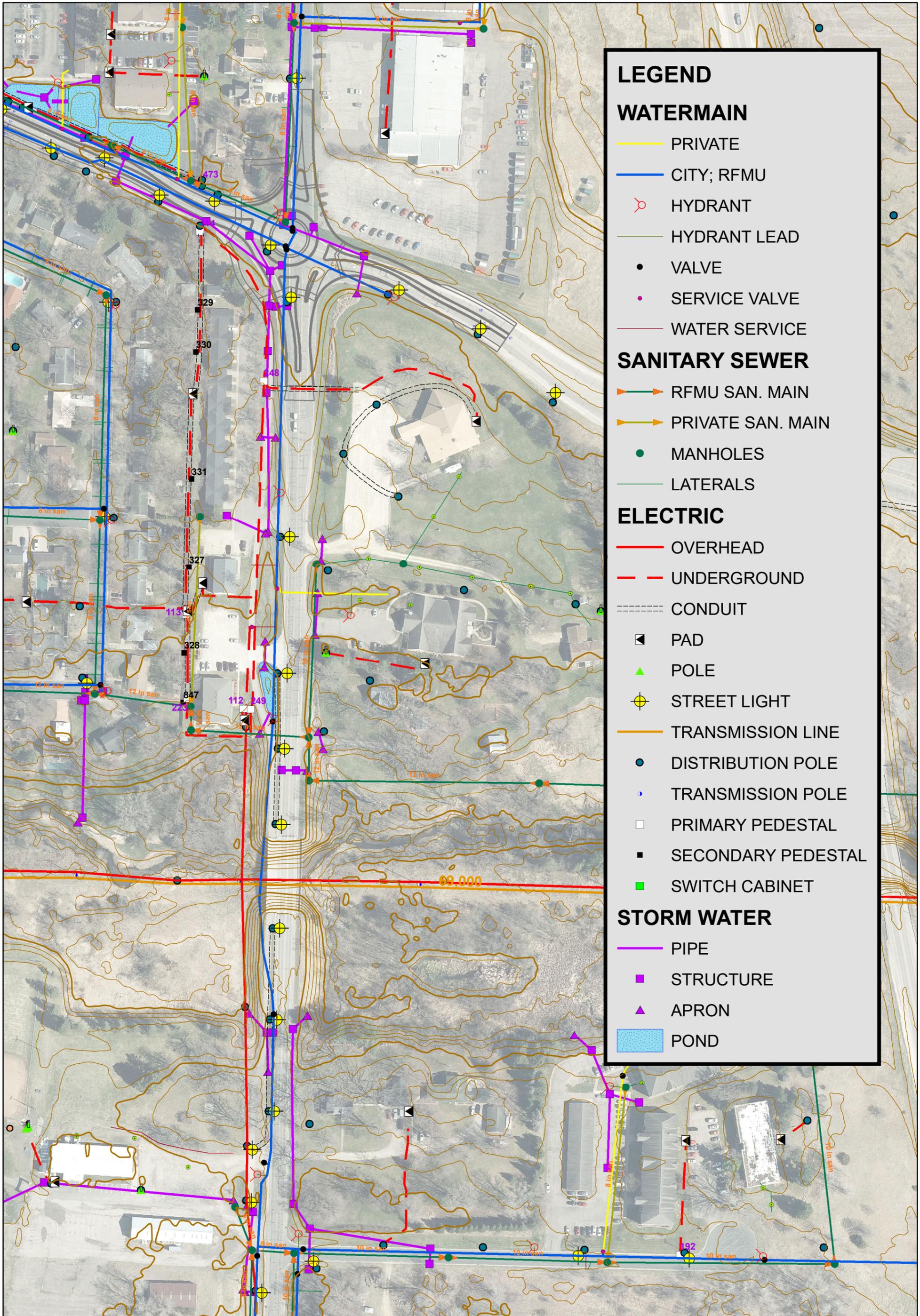
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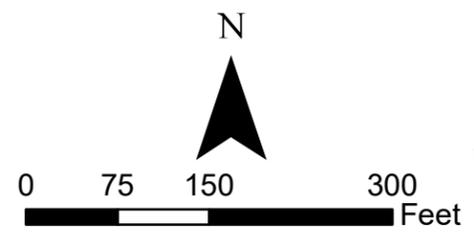
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