

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

THIS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the State of Florida Department of Transportation ("Department") and Alachua County ("Recipient").

1. The term "Property" shall refer to certain real property located in Alachua County, Florida, owned by the Recipient and more particularly described in Exhibit "A"; and

2. The term "Multi-Use Trail" is defined as a paved, shared-use path, which is typically approximately 12 feet wide, but may vary from 8 feet to 14 feet wide, or larger, depending upon physical or environmental constraints, or usage; and

3. For purposes of this Agreement, the term Multi-Use Trail shall specifically refer to the construction of a bike path/trail, inclusive of and without limitation, all asphalt or concrete; drainage; curbing; railing; signage; walls; lighting; and crosswalks, along State Road 24/Archer Road from SW 75th Terrace to SW 41st Boulevard, all of which is located on the Property and more particularly shown in attached Exhibit "B"; and

4. The Department shall fund construction of the Multi-Use Trail via the provisions of that certain and separate Florida Shared-Use Non-Motorized Trail Network Agreement for Financial Project Number 439934-2-54-01 to be entered into by and between the Department and the Recipient simultaneously with this Agreement; and

5. The Recipient shall construct, own, operate, maintain and repair the Multi-Use Trail; and

6. The Recipient shall pay all utility bills for lighting, signals, and irrigation as associated with the Multi-Use Trail; and

7. The Recipient shall conduct an annual inspection of the Multi-Use Trail to ensure that any and all safety deficiencies are addressed; and

8. When the Multi-Use Trail is at the end of its useful life, the Recipient shall prioritize the Replacement or Reconstruction of the Multi-Use Trail as if it was a new Project; and

9. The Recipient by Resolution _____ dated _____ authorizes its representative to enter into this Agreement, see attached Exhibit "C".

NOW THEREFORE, with full knowledge and understanding of the laws governing the subject matter of this Agreement, and in consideration of the foregoing recitals and the mutual covenants and conditions contained in this Agreement, the parties, intending to be legally bound, acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. RECITALS AND EXHIBITS

The above recitals and the attached exhibits are specifically incorporated herein by reference and made part of this Agreement.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE

The "Effective Date" of this Agreement shall be the date the last of the parties to be charged executes the Agreement.

3. ACCESS

This Agreement authorizes the Department to access the Property for the limited purpose of performing this Agreement.

4. TERM

The initial term of this Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, commencing on the Effective Date and concluding on the anniversary of the Effective Date. This Agreement shall automatically renew for

successive and continuing like one (1) year terms unless terminated by the Department in writing.

5. E-VERIFY

The Recipient (A) shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Recipient during the term of the contract; and (B) shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the state contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the contract term.

6. COMPLIANCE

The Recipient shall perform the Agreement in a good and workmanlike manner, with reasonable care, in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and all applicable federal, state, local, administrative, regulatory, safety and environmental laws, codes, rules, regulations, policies, procedures, guidelines, standards, specifications and permits, as the same may be constituted and amended from time to time, including, without limitation, those of the Department, Water Management District with requisite jurisdiction, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Environmental Protection Agency, Army Corps of Engineers, United States Coast Guard and Agency entities ("Governmental Law").

7. PERMITS

In the performance of this Agreement, the Recipient may be required to obtain one or more Department permits which may include copies of the Agreement as an exhibit. Notwithstanding the inclusion or incorporation of the Agreement as part of any such Department permits, the Agreement shall remain separate and apart from such permits and shall not be merged into the same absent the prior written express consent of the Department. Should any term or provision of the Agreement conflict with any term, provision or requirement of any Department permit, the terms and provisions of the Agreement shall control unless specifically noted otherwise in any such Department permit. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "permit" shall also include the Department's Construction Agreement which may be required for permanent improvements installed within the Department's right-of-way.

8. UTILITIES

The Recipient shall be responsible for locating, removing and relocating utilities, both aerial and underground, if required for the Recipient to perform this Agreement. The Recipient shall ensure all utility locations are accurately documented on the construction Plans and Specifications, including the final as-built plans. All utility conflicts shall be resolved by the Recipient directly with the applicable utility.

9. OPERATION, MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

A. The Recipient shall own, operate, maintain, and repair the Multi-Use Trail at its sole cost and expense, in a good and workmanlike manner, with reasonable care, in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement including applicable Governmental Law.

B. The Recipient acknowledges and agrees that the Department will require the Recipient to maintain the entire Multi-Use Trail Project, according to the Department standards, which include, without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Design Standards, and the Standard Specifications, and as amended from time to time.

C. Maintenance items to be maintained by the Recipient shall include, without limitation and as applicable, the following: vegetation management, repair of slopes/erosion, removal of graffiti, gravity walls, traffic barriers, railings, signing, pavement markings, pedestrian/bicycle signals, aesthetic features, and all other features of the Multi-Use Trail constructed pursuant to this Agreement. The Recipient shall maintain pavement surfaces free from residue accumulation, algae, vegetation, and other slip or trip hazards. The Recipient shall trim landscaping, mow, sweep, edge and provide weed control for the entirety of the Multi-Use Trail as identified in Exhibit B.

D. The Recipient shall ensure the safety of the Public by repairing slope erosion and maintaining signs, sign poles, striping, pavement symbols, traffic markings, detectable warning surfaces, pavers, crosswalks, walls, railings, pedestrian/bicycle signals and any other safety features within the Multi-Use Trail corridor in accordance with Department standards. The Recipient shall maintain paint on railings, sign poles, and all other structures located within the Multi-Use Trail corridor. Repairs to any Multi-Use Trail Project structural

or safety feature shall be, at a minimum, in kind and to Department standards. The Recipient shall maintain all landscaping to Department standards.

E. The Recipient agrees that it will be solely responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of the Multi-Use Trail. Should the Recipient fail to operate, maintain, and repair the Multi-Use Trail in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and applicable Governmental Law, and the Department be required to perform such operation, maintenance, or repair pursuant to *23 CFR 1.27* and under the authority of *Title 23, Section 116, U.S. Code*, the Recipient agrees that it shall be fully responsible to the Department for repayment of any funds expended by the Department for the operation, maintenance, or repair of the Multi-Use Trail. The Department shall invoice the Recipient for any operation, maintenance, or repair expenses charged to the Department, and the Recipient shall pay such invoices in accordance with the Payment section of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall relieve the Recipient of its financial obligations to the Department should this occur.

F. The Recipient specifically agrees to allow the Department access to the Property and the Multi-Use Trail pursuant to Paragraph 3 above should the events described in Paragraph D occur.

G. If at any time, the Recipient has not performed the maintenance responsibility on the Multi-Use Trail in accordance with this Agreement, the Department shall have the option of (a) notifying the Recipient of the deficiency with a requirement that it be corrected within a specified time, or (b) the Department may perform the necessary maintenance at the Recipient's sole cost and expense, and send an invoice to the Recipient, equal to the cost incurred by the Department for such maintenance. Any action taken by the Department will not relieve any obligation of the Recipient under the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Failure to perform maintenance of the Multi-Use Trail in accordance with this Agreement may impact Department funding participation in future Recipient projects.

H. The Department may require the Recipient to remove the Multi-Use Trail in whole or in part and restore the property to the condition that existed immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement if the Department determines: (a) the Multi-Use Trail is not constructed or maintained in accordance terms and conditions of this Agreement or (b) the Recipient breaches a material provision (as determined by the Department) of this Agreement. Removal and restoration shall be completed by the Recipient within 30 days of the Department's written notice, or such time as the Department and the Recipient mutually agree in writing. Removal and restoration shall be completed by the Recipient in accordance with Department standards. Should the Recipient fail to complete the removal and restoration work, the Department may complete the removal and restoration at the Recipient's sole cost and expense and send an invoice to the Recipient, equal to the cost incurred by the Department for such removal and restoration.

10. TERMINATION

This Agreement may be terminated under either of the following conditions: (a) by the Department, if the Recipient fails to perform its duties under this Agreement, following ten (10) days written notice; or (b) by the Department, for refusal by the Recipient to allow public access to public records subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

11. EMINENT DOMAIN AND DAMAGES

Under no circumstance shall the Department's exercise of any right provided in this Agreement create any right, title, interest or estate entitling the Recipient to full and just compensation from the Department either through inverse condemnation or eminent domain laws or any similar laws regarding the taking of property for public purposes. The Recipient forever waives and relinquishes all legal rights and monetary claims which it has, or which may arise in the future, for compensation or damages, including, without limitation, special damages, severance damages, removal costs, and loss of business profits resulting in any manner from the Department's exercise of any right provided in this Agreement. This waiver and relinquishment specifically includes all damages flowing from adjacent properties owned, leased or otherwise controlled by the Recipient, as a result of the Department's exercise of any right provided in this Agreement.

12. INDEMNIFICATION

A. The Recipient shall promptly defend, indemnify, hold the Department harmless from and pay all demands, claims, judgments, liabilities, damages, fines, fees, taxes, assessments, costs, losses, penalties, construction delay costs / penalties, expenses, attorneys' fees and suits of any nature or kind whatsoever caused by, arising out of or related to the Recipient's performance, or breach, of this Agreement

("Liabilities"). The term "Liabilities" shall also specifically include all civil and criminal environmental liability arising, directly or indirectly under any Governmental Law, including, without limitation, liability under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), the Clean Air Act ("CAA") and the Clean Water Act ("CWA"). The Recipient's duty to defend, indemnify and hold the Department harmless specifically does not encompass indemnifying the Department for its negligence, intentional or wrongful acts, omissions or breach of contract.

B. The Recipient shall notify the Department in writing immediately upon becoming aware of any Liabilities. The Recipient's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold the Department harmless from any Liabilities, or at the Department's option to participate and associate with the Department in the defense and trial of any Liabilities, including any related settlement negotiations, shall be triggered by the Department's written notice of claim for indemnification to the Recipient. The Recipient's inability to evaluate liability, or its evaluation of liability, shall not excuse performance of the provisions of this paragraph.

13. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY & LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or otherwise interpreted as waiving either party's sovereign immunity protections, or as increasing the limits of liability set forth in §768.28, Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or otherwise interpreted as waiving the Department's limits of liability set forth in sections 376.305 and 337.27(4), Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time.

14. NOTICE

All notices, communications and determinations between the parties hereto and those required by the Agreement, including, without limitation, changes to the notification addresses set forth below, shall be in writing and shall be sufficient if mailed by regular United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the following addresses:

Department: Florida Department of Transportation
Attention: Travis Humphries
5301 NE 39th Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32609

Recipient: Alachua County
Attention: Brian Singleton
Alachua County Public Works
5620 NW 120 Lane, Gainesville, Florida 32653

15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed in all respect by the laws of the State of Florida.

16. INITIAL DETERMINATION OF DISPUTES

The Department's District Two Secretary ("District Secretary") shall act as the initial arbiter of all questions, difficulties, and disputes concerning the interpretation, validity, performance or breach of the Agreement.

17. VENUE AND JURISDICTION

A. Venue for any and all actions arising out of or in any way related to the interpretation, validity, performance or breach of the Agreement that are not resolved to the mutual satisfaction of the parties by the Department's District Secretary shall lie exclusively in a state court of appropriate jurisdiction in Leon County, Florida.

B. The Recipient and all persons and entities accepting an assignment of this Agreement, in whole or in part, shall be deemed as having consented to personal jurisdiction in the State of Florida and as having forever waived and relinquished all personal jurisdiction defenses with respect to any proceeding related to the interpretation, validity, performance or breach of this Agreement.

18. JURY TRIAL

The parties hereby waive the right to trial by jury of any dispute concerning the interpretation, validity, performance or breach of the Agreement, including, without limitation, damages allegedly flowing therefrom.

19. ASSIGNMENT

The Recipient shall not assign, pledge or transfer any of the rights, duties and obligations provided in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Department's District Secretary or his/her designee. The Department has the sole discretion and authority to grant or deny proposed assignments of this Agreement, with or without cause. Nothing herein shall prevent the Recipient from delegating its duties hereunder, but such delegation shall not release the Recipient from its obligation to perform the Agreement.

20. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to confer any rights, privileges, benefits, obligations or remedies upon any other person or entity except as expressly provided for herein.

21. VOLUNTARY EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

Each party warrants and represents to the other: (i) that it understands all of the rights and obligations set forth in the Agreement and the Agreement accurately reflects the desires of said party; (ii) each provision of the Agreement has been negotiated fairly at arm's length; (iii) it fully understands the advantages and disadvantages of the Agreement and executes the Agreement freely and voluntarily of its own accord and not as a result of any duress, coercion, or undue influence; and (iv) it had the opportunity to have independent legal advice by counsel of its own choosing in the negotiation and execution of the Agreement.

22. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This instrument, together with any exhibits and documents made part hereof by reference, contains the entire agreement of the parties and no representations or promises have been made except those that are specifically set out in the Agreement. All prior and contemporaneous conversations, negotiations, possible and alleged agreements and representations, covenants, and warranties with respect to the subject matter of the Agreement, and any part hereof, are waived, merged herein and superseded hereby.

23. EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

The parties agree that they shall promptly execute and deliver to the other all documents necessary to accomplish the intent and purpose of the Agreement and shall do all other acts to effectuate the Agreement.

24. SUFFICIENCY OF CONSIDERATION

By their signature below, the parties hereby acknowledge the receipt, adequacy and sufficiency of consideration provided in the Agreement and forever waive the right to object to or otherwise challenge the same.

25. WAIVER

The failure of either party to insist on the strict performance or compliance with any term or provision of the Agreement on one or more occasions shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment thereof and all such terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect unless waived or relinquished in writing.

26. INTERPRETATION

No term or provision of the Agreement shall be interpreted for or against any party because that party or that party's legal representative drafted the provision.

27. CAPTIONS

Paragraph title or captions contained herein are inserted as a matter of convenience and reference and in no way define, limit, extend or describe the scope of the Agreement, or any provision hereof.

28. SEVERANCE

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of the Agreement is adjudged by a court, agency or authority of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable, all remaining parts of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and the parties shall be bound thereby so long as principle purposes of the Agreement remain enforceable.

29. COMPUTATION OF TIME

In computing any period of time prescribed in the Agreement, the day of the act, event or default from which the designated period of time begins to run, shall not be included. The last day of the period shall be included unless it is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, in which event the period shall run until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

30. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT

A modification or waiver of any of the provisions of the Agreement shall be effective only if made in writing and executed with the same formality as the Agreement.

31. PUBLIC RECORDS

Recipient shall comply with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Specifically, the Recipient shall:

A. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the Department to perform this Agreement.

B. Upon request from the Department's custodian of public records, provide the Department with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.

C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of this Agreement and following completion of the Agreement if Recipient does not transfer the records to the Department.

D. Upon completion of this Agreement, transfer, at no cost, to the Department all public records in possession of Applicant or keep and maintain public records required by the Department to perform this Agreement. If Recipient transfers all public records to the public Recipient upon completion of this Agreement, Recipient shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Recipient keep and maintain public records upon completion of this Agreement, Recipient shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the Department, upon request from the Department's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the Department.

Failure by Recipient to act in accordance with Chapter 119 and the foregoing shall be grounds for immediate unilateral cancellation of this Agreement by the Department. Recipient shall promptly provide the Department with a copy of any request to inspect or copy public records in possession of Recipient and shall promptly provide the Department a copy of Applicant's response to each such request.

IF THE CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S/CONTRACTOR'S/VENDOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

District 2
386-758-3727
D2prcustodian@ dot.State.FL.us
Florida Department of Transportation
District 2 - Office of General Counsel
1109 South Marion Avenue, MS 2009
Lake City, FL 32025

34. ANNUAL APPROPRIATION / FUNDING

Pursuant to §339.135(6)(a), Florida Statutes, the Department’s obligation to fund construction of the Multi-Use Trail is contingent upon annual appropriation by the Florida Legislature. This Agreement may be terminated by the Department without liability to the Recipient if sufficient funds are not appropriated to the Department. The provisions of §339.135(6)(a), Florida Statutes, are set forth herein verbatim and made part of this Agreement, to wit:

“The Department, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any contract which, by its terms, involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted as available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any contract, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid on such contract. The Department shall require a statement from the comptroller of the Department that funds are available prior to entering into any such contract or other binding commitment of funds. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of contracts for periods exceeding 1 year, but any contract so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years; and this paragraph shall be incorporated verbatim in all contracts of the Department which are for an amount in excess of \$25,000 and which have a term for a period of more than 1 year.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties execute this Agreement, consisting of twenty-one (21) pages.

Florida Department of Transportation

Attest:

By: _____

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Legal Review:

By: _____

Office of the General Counsel
Florida Department of Transportation

Alachua County

Attest:

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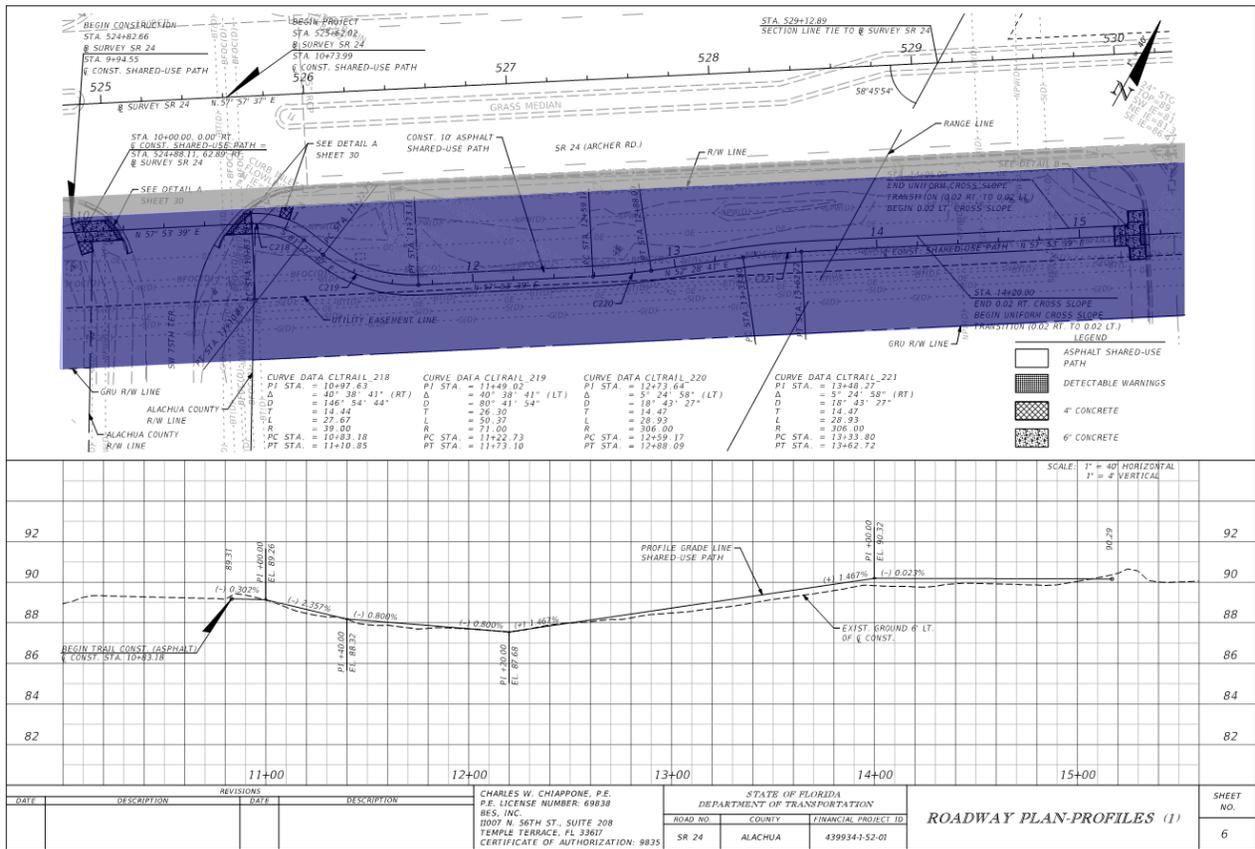
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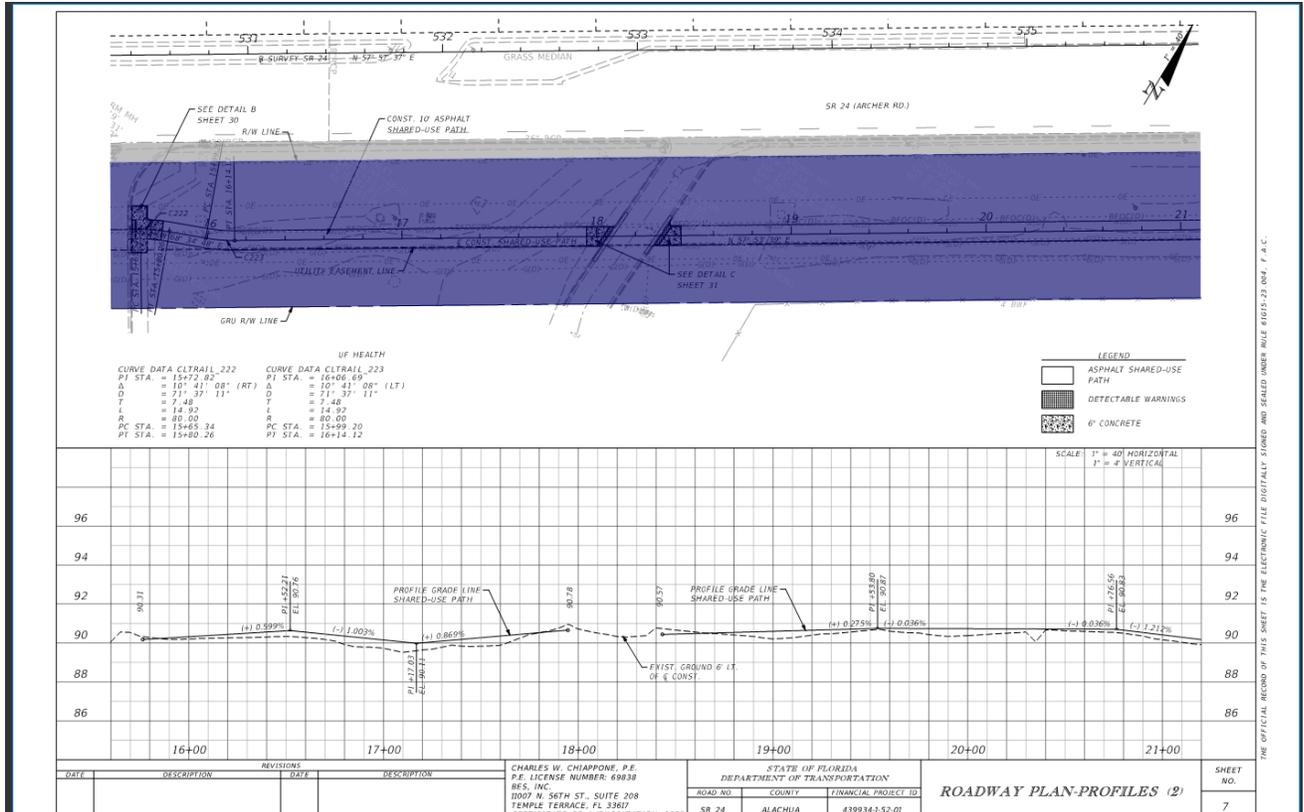
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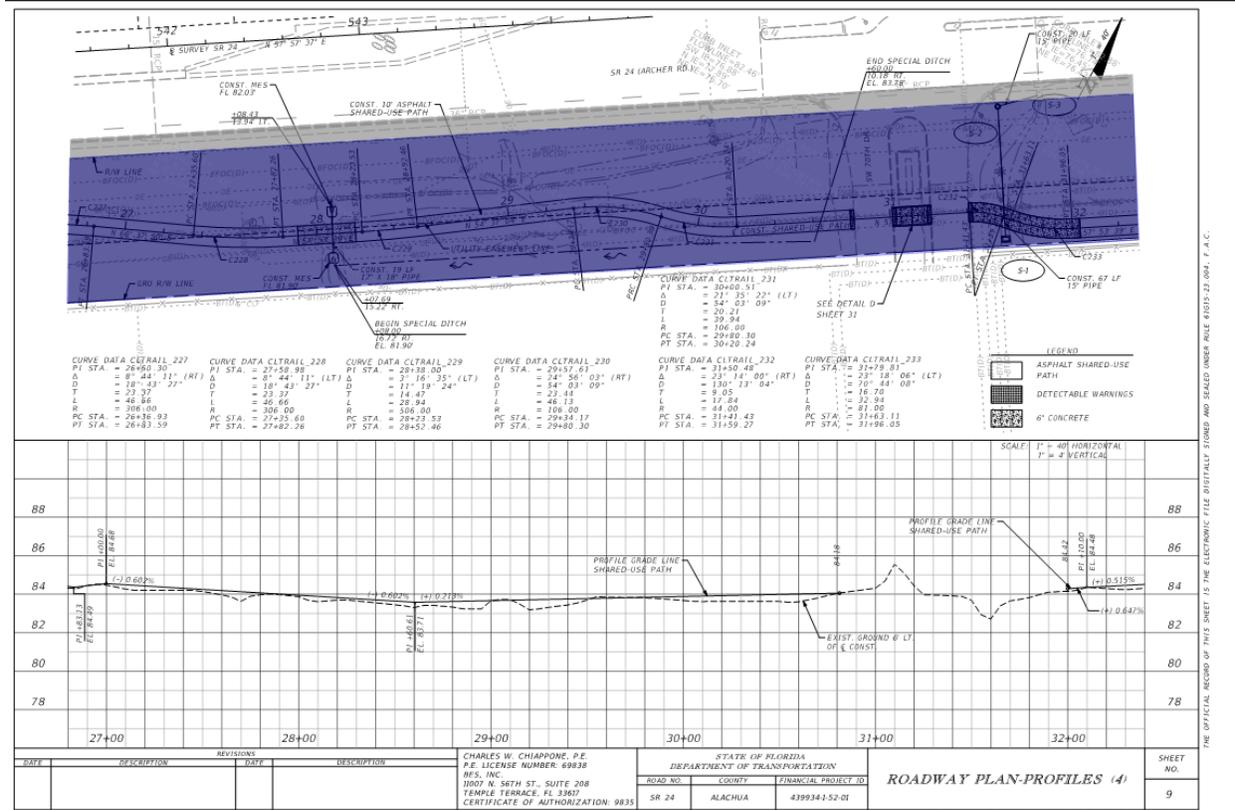
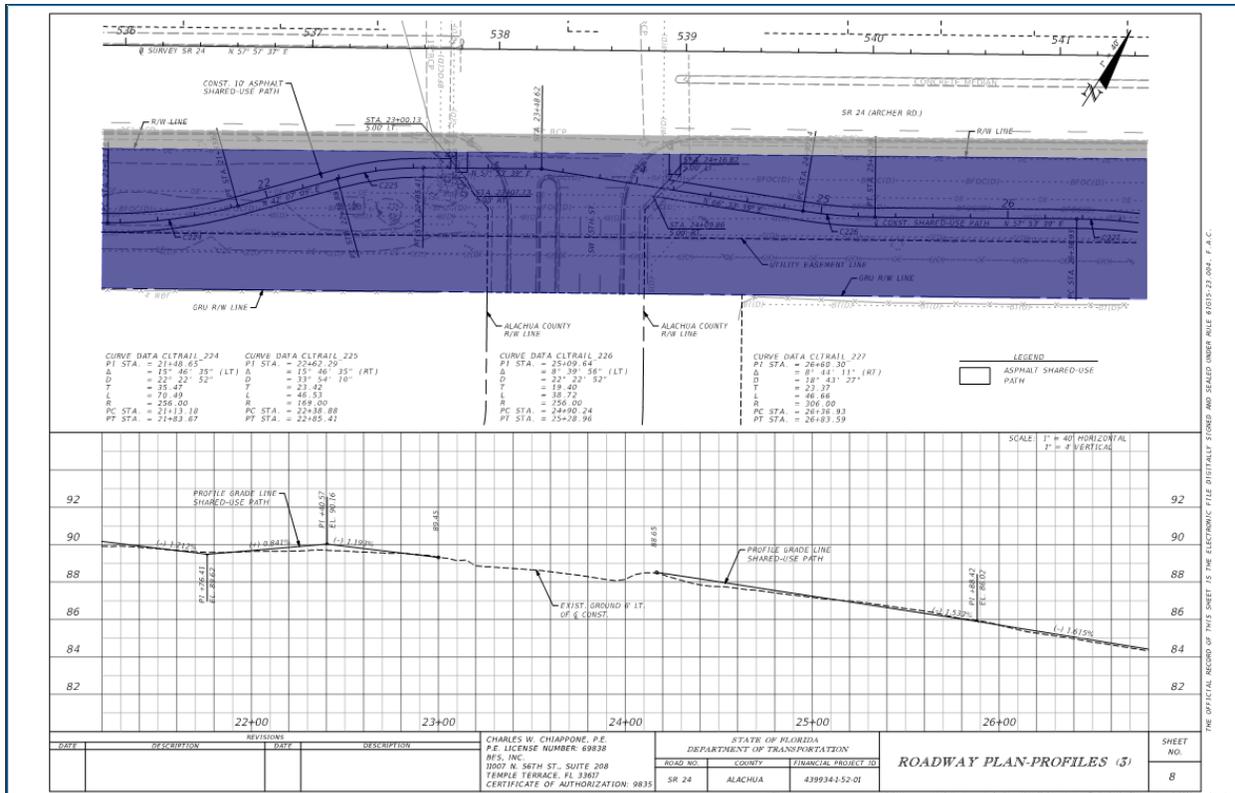
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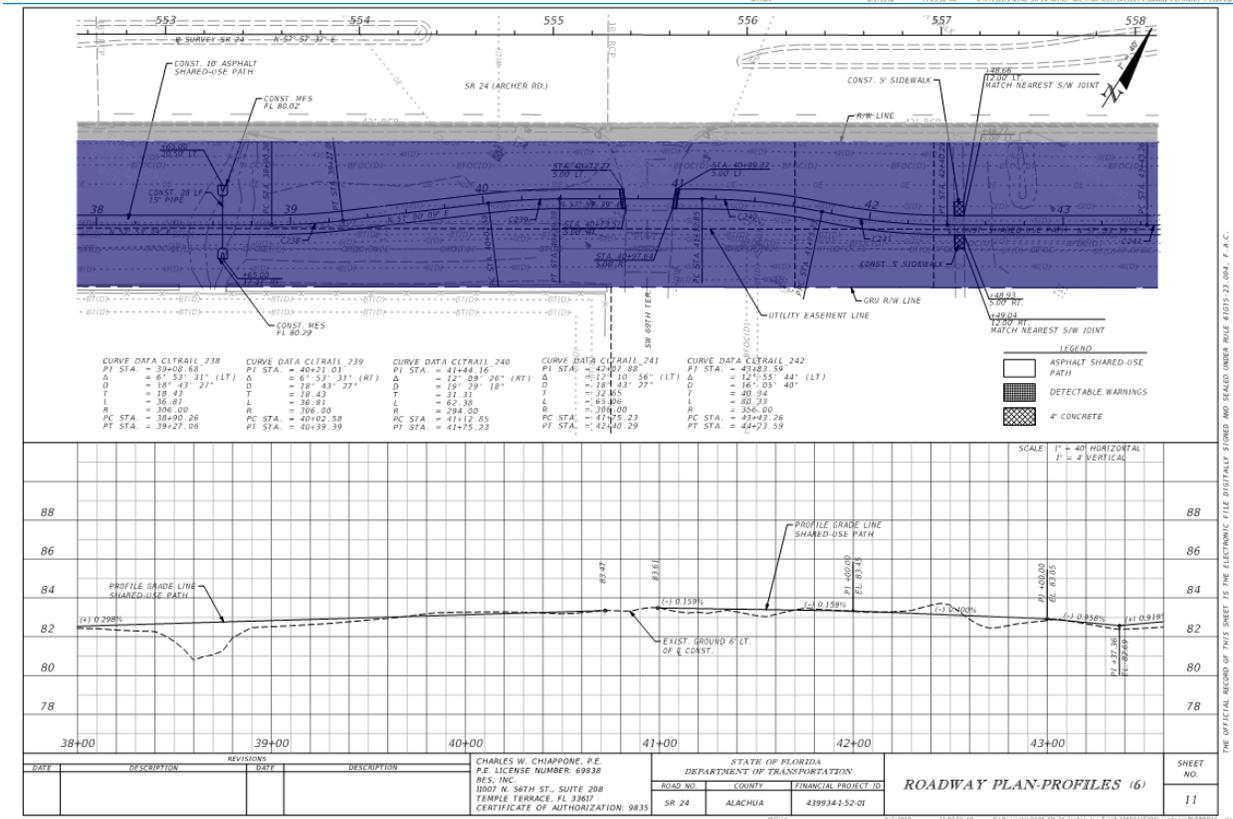
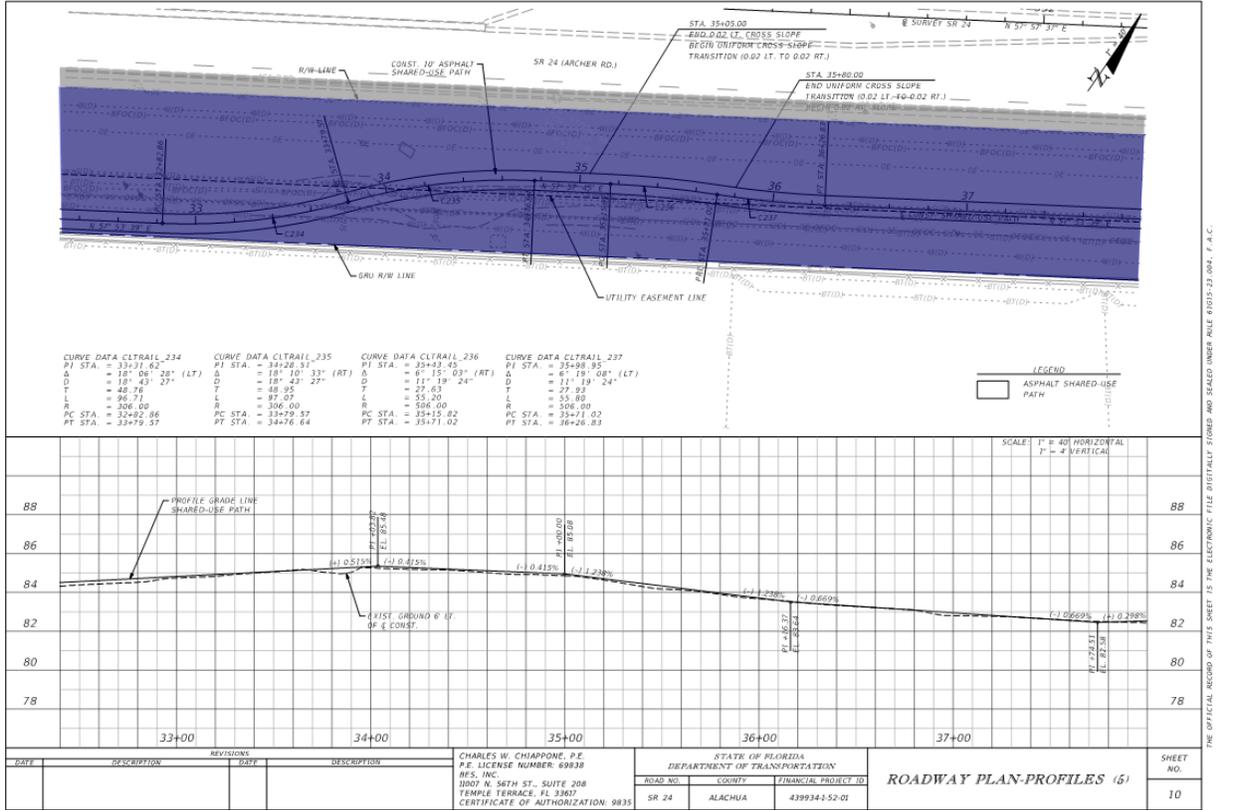
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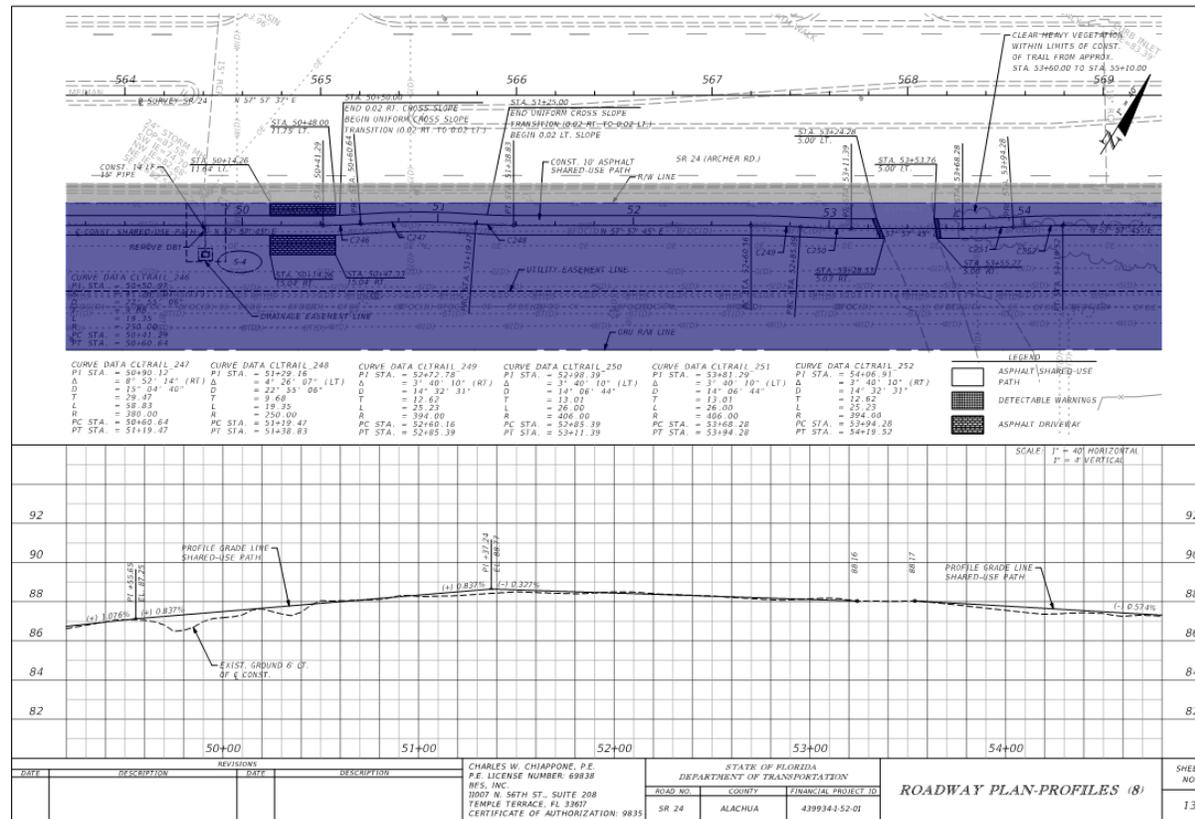
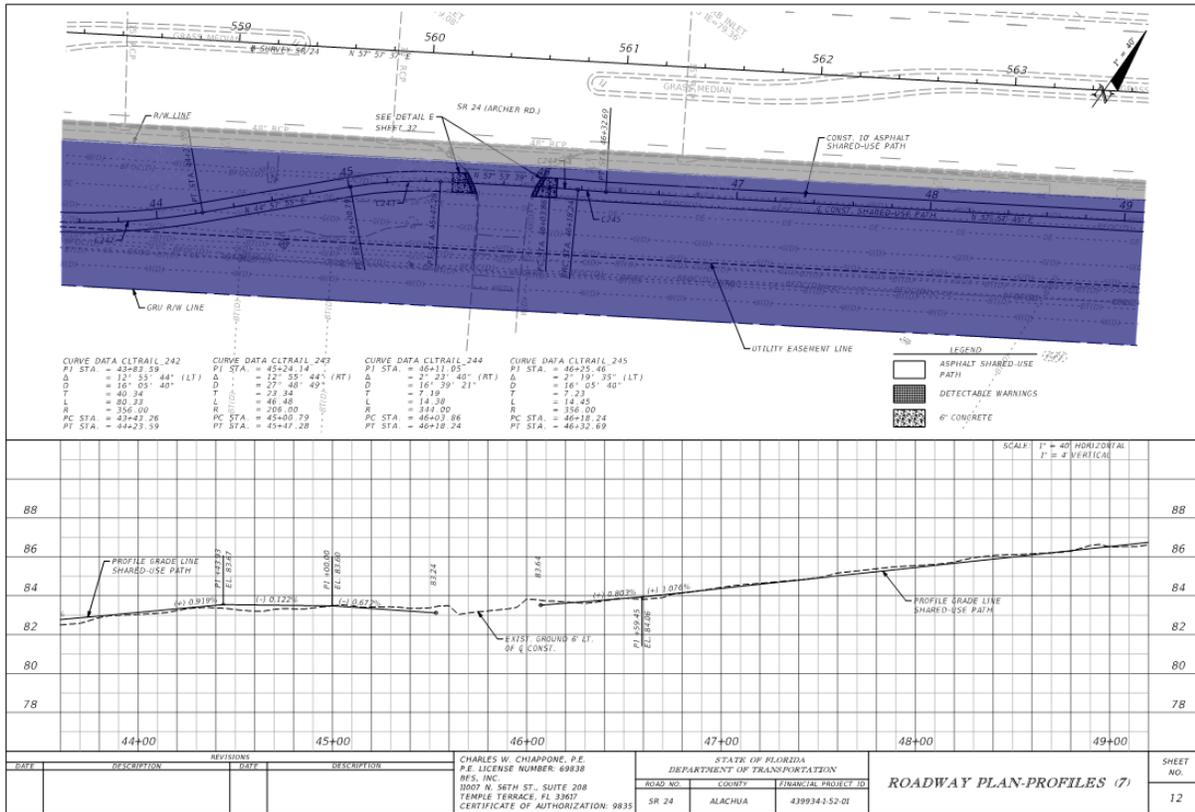


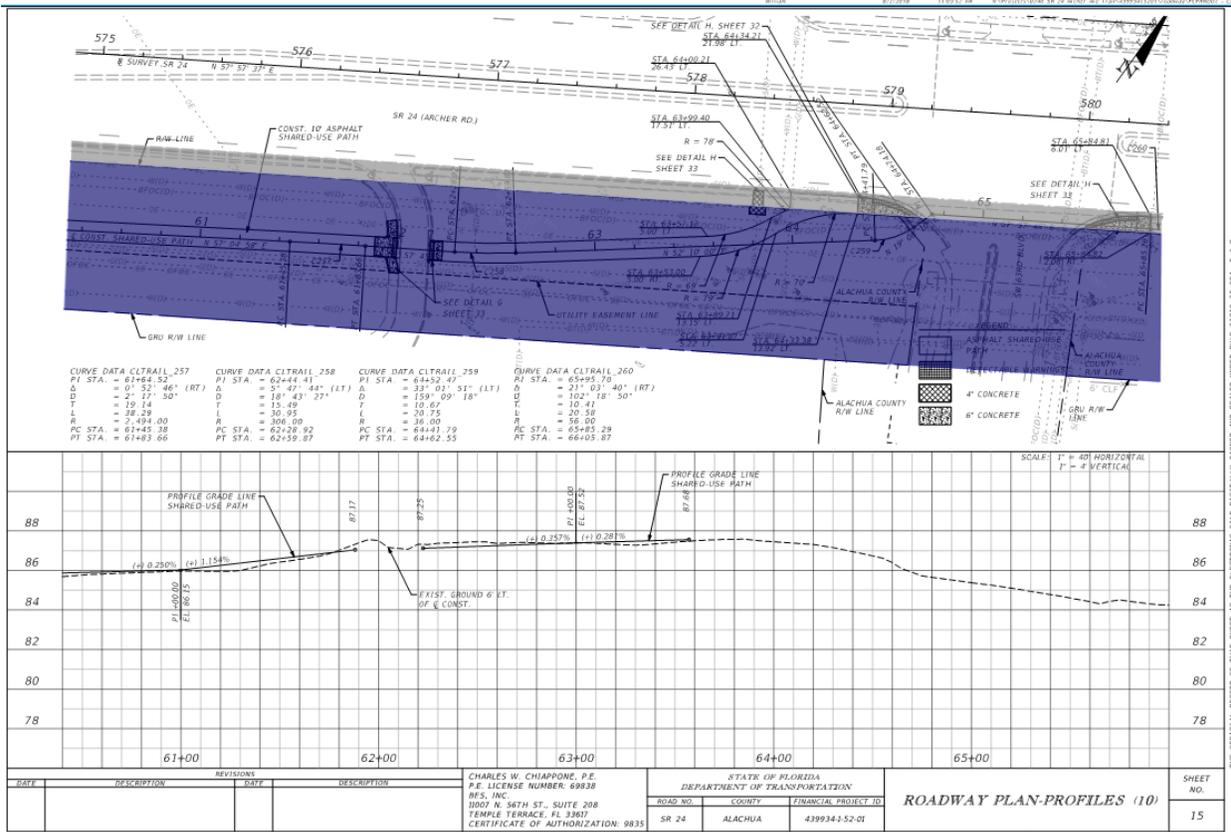
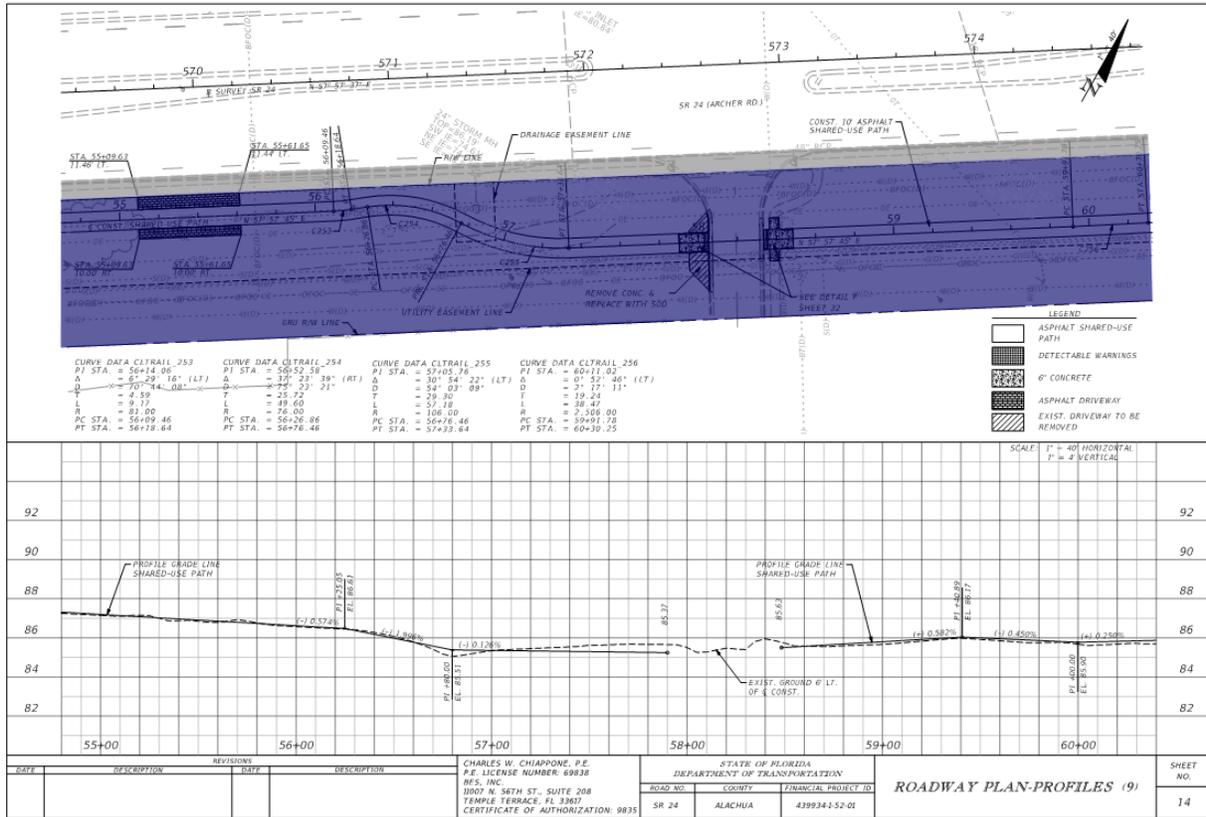
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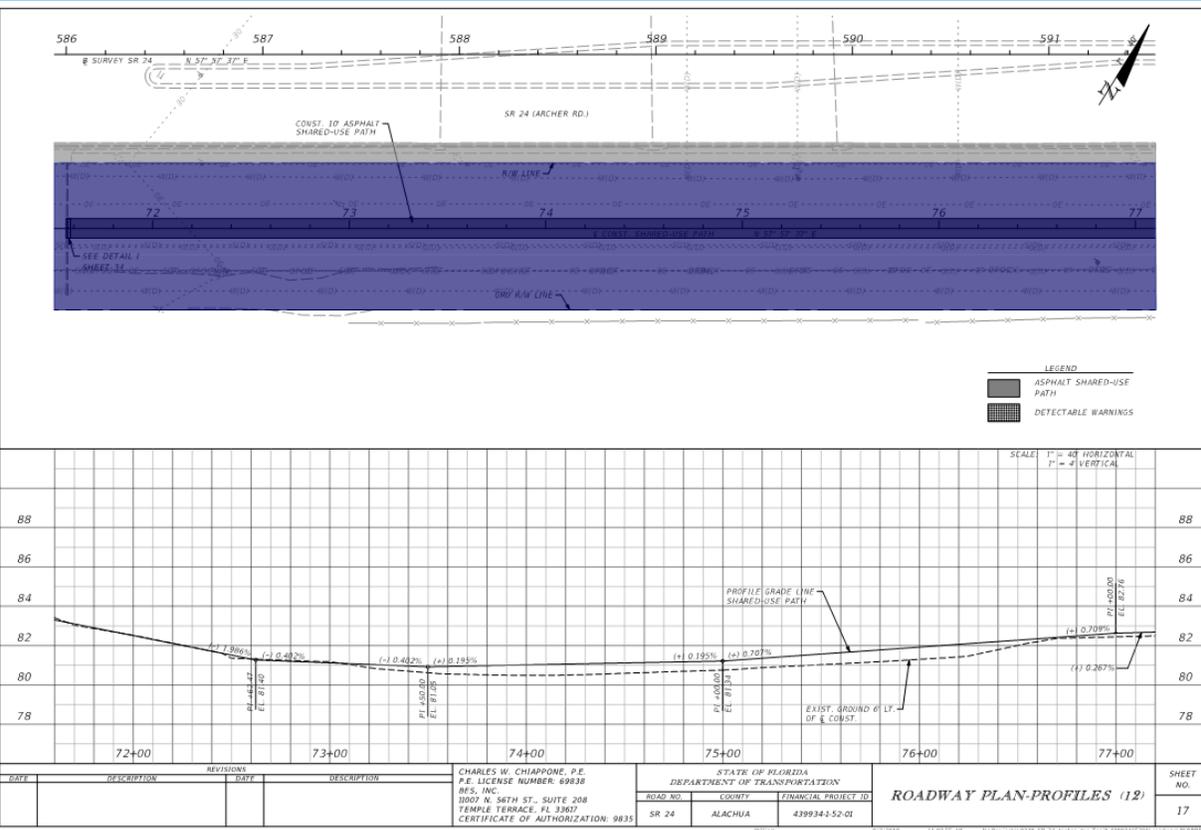
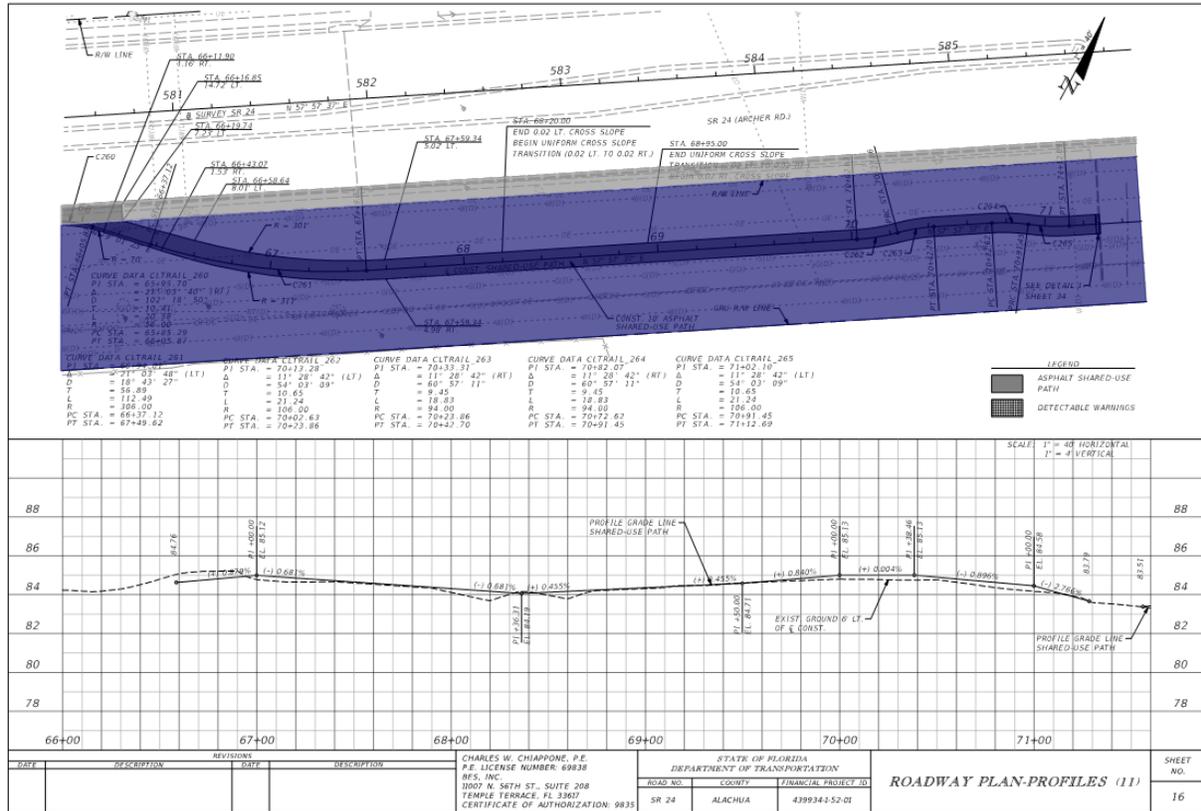


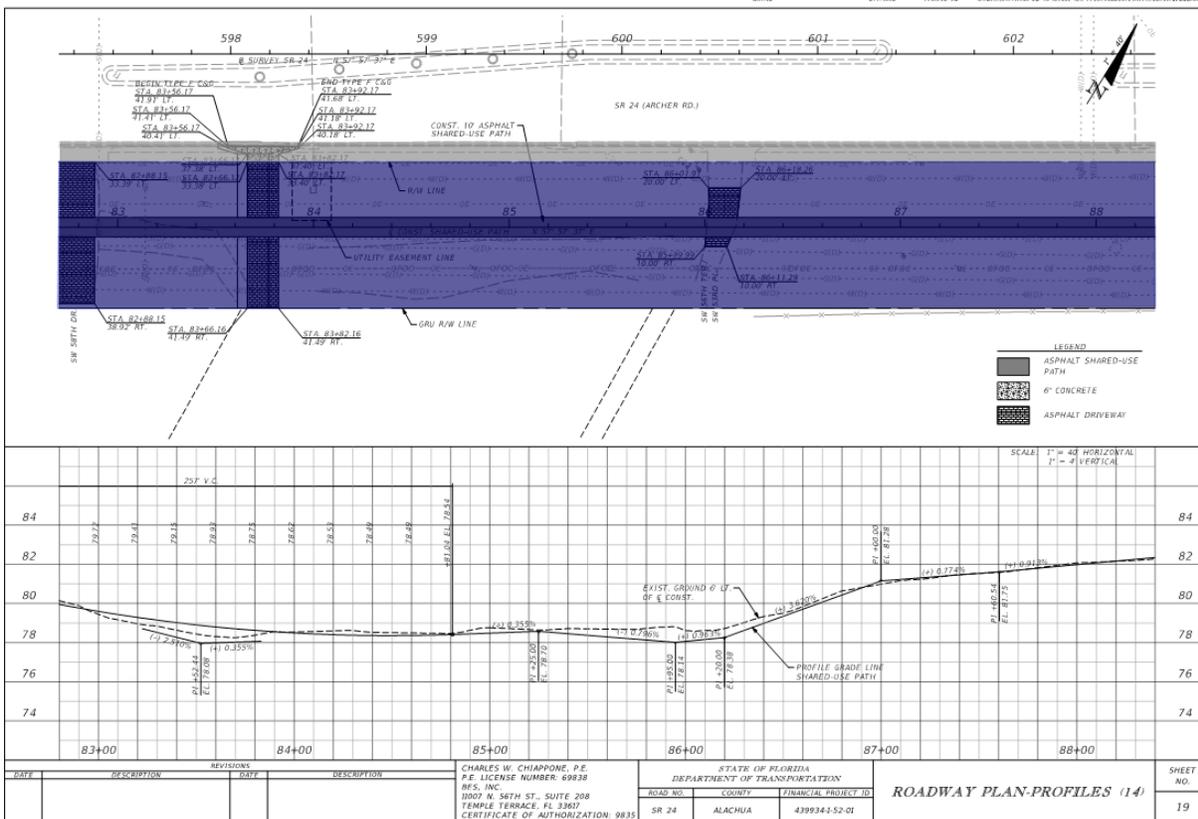
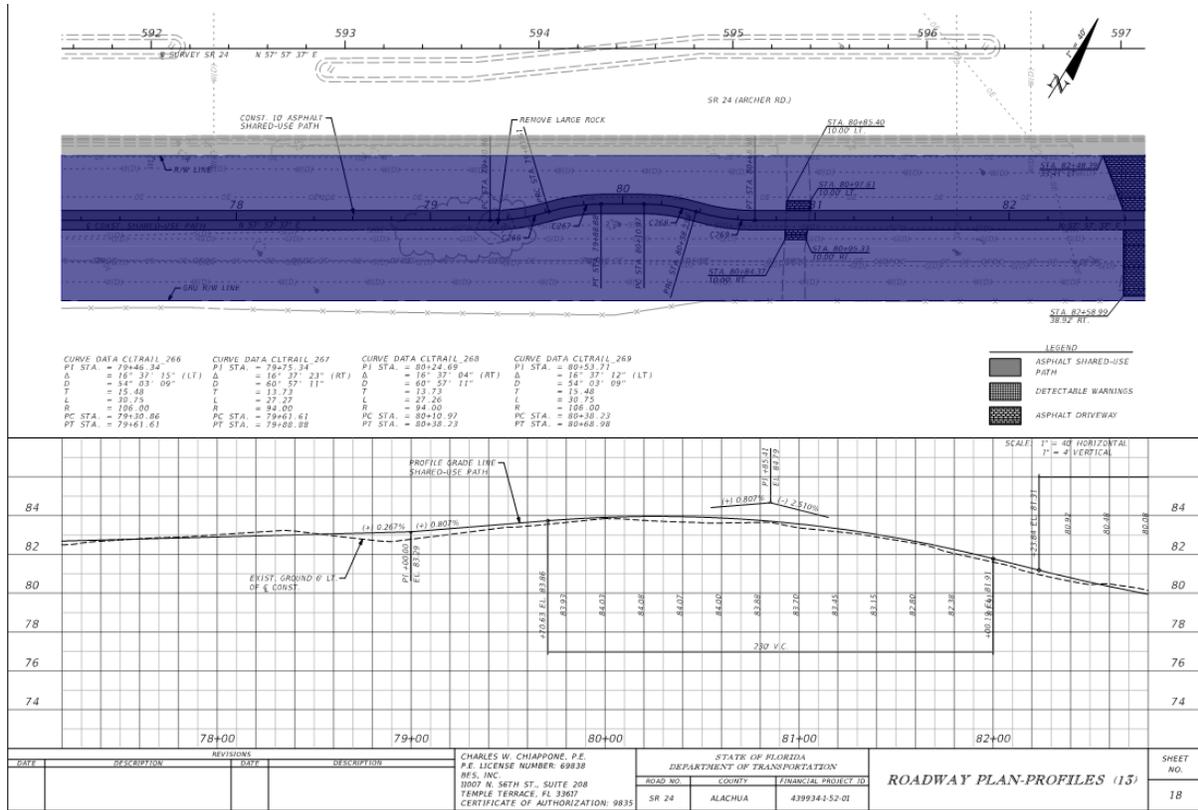


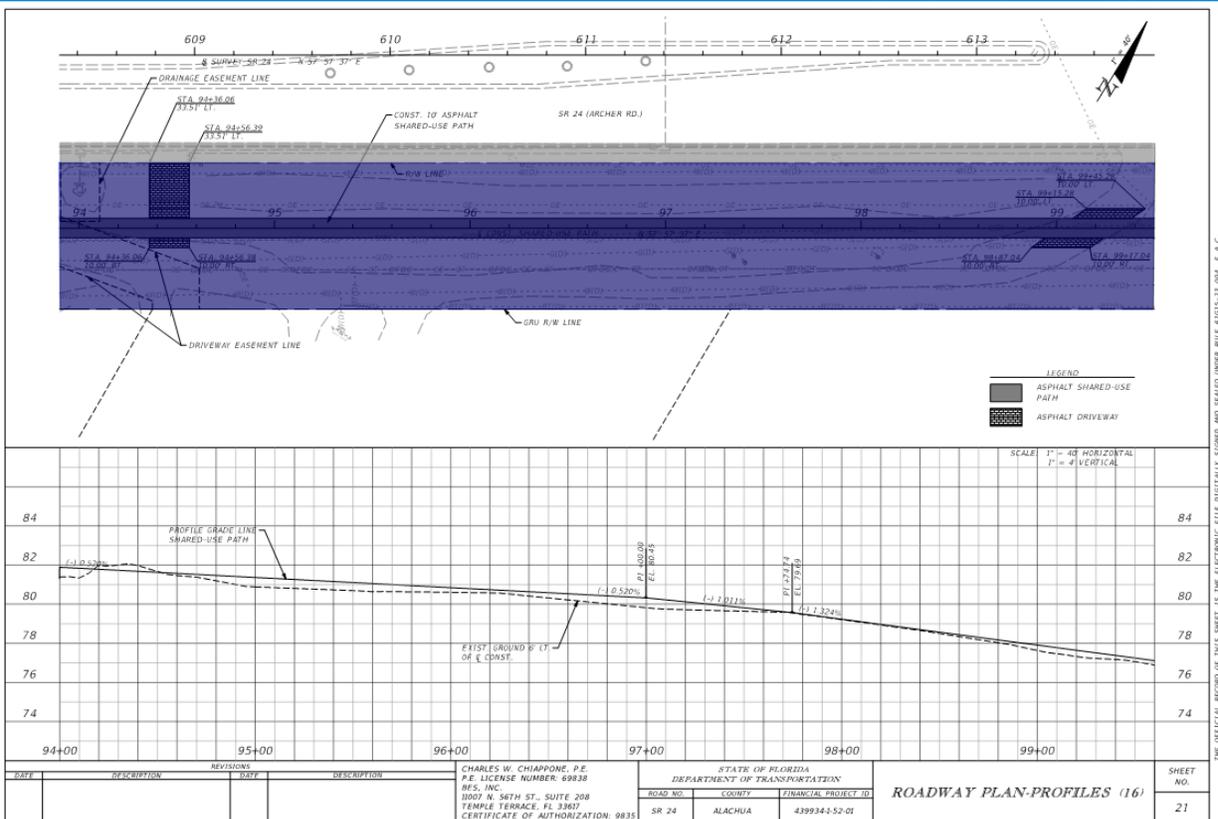
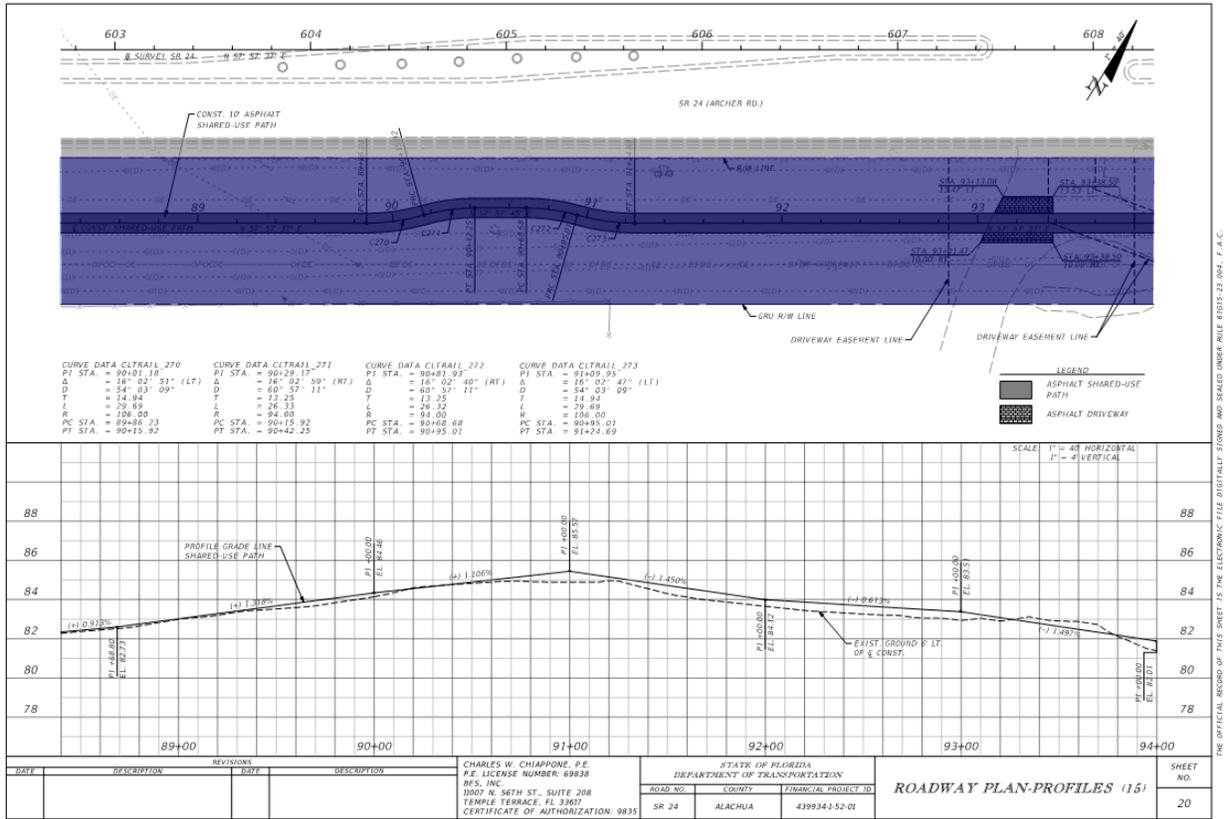


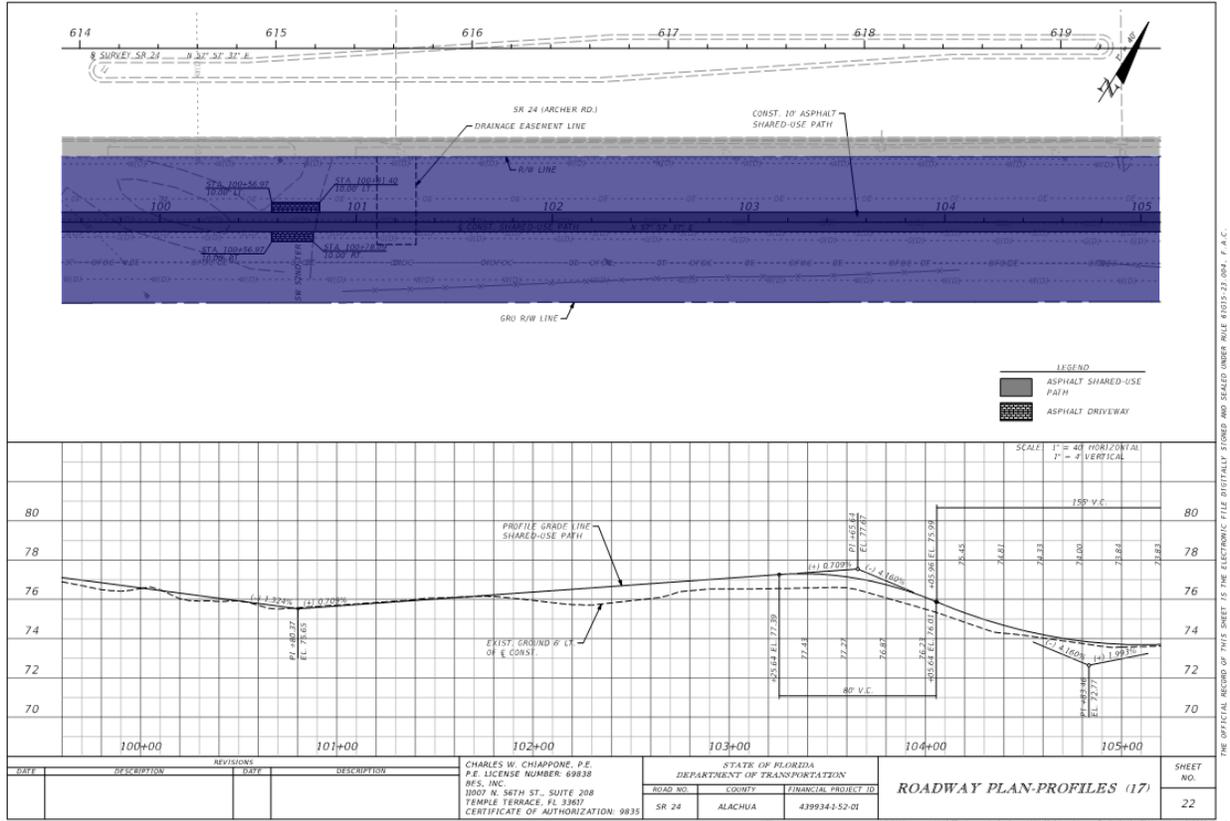




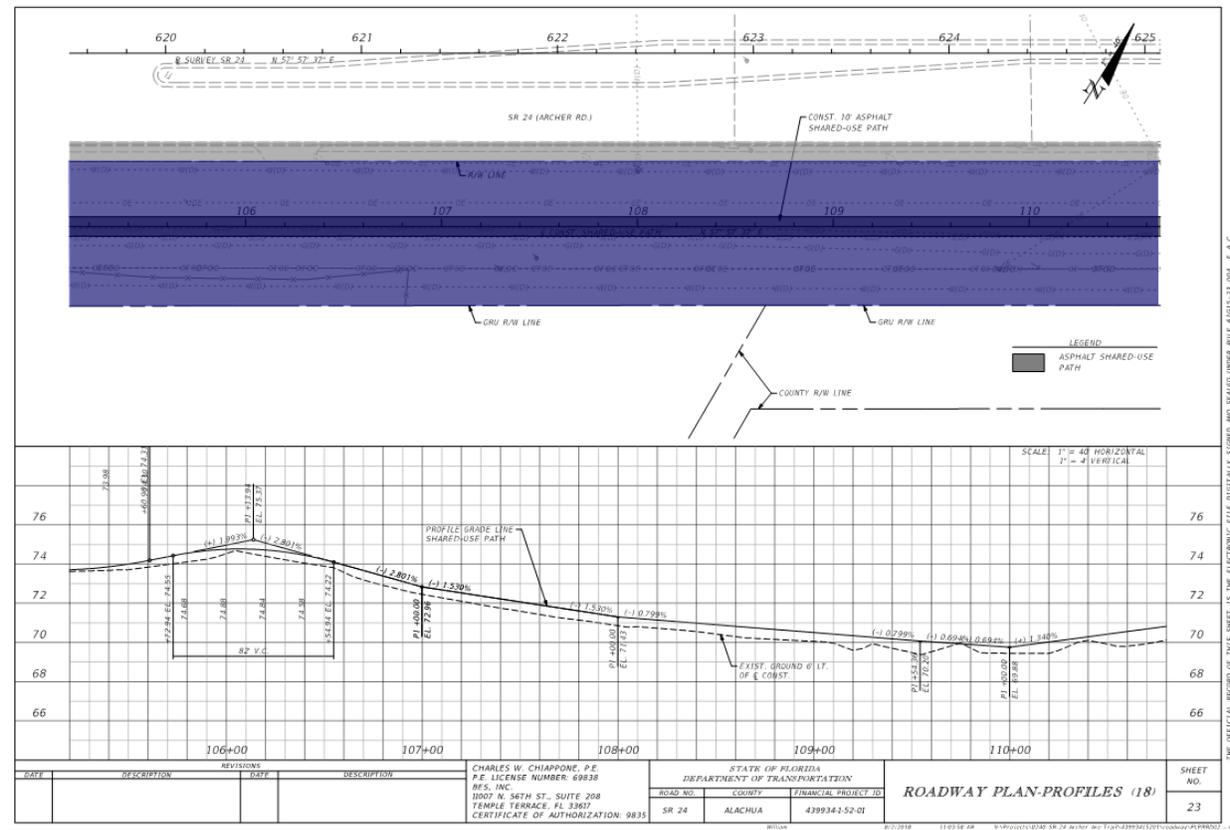




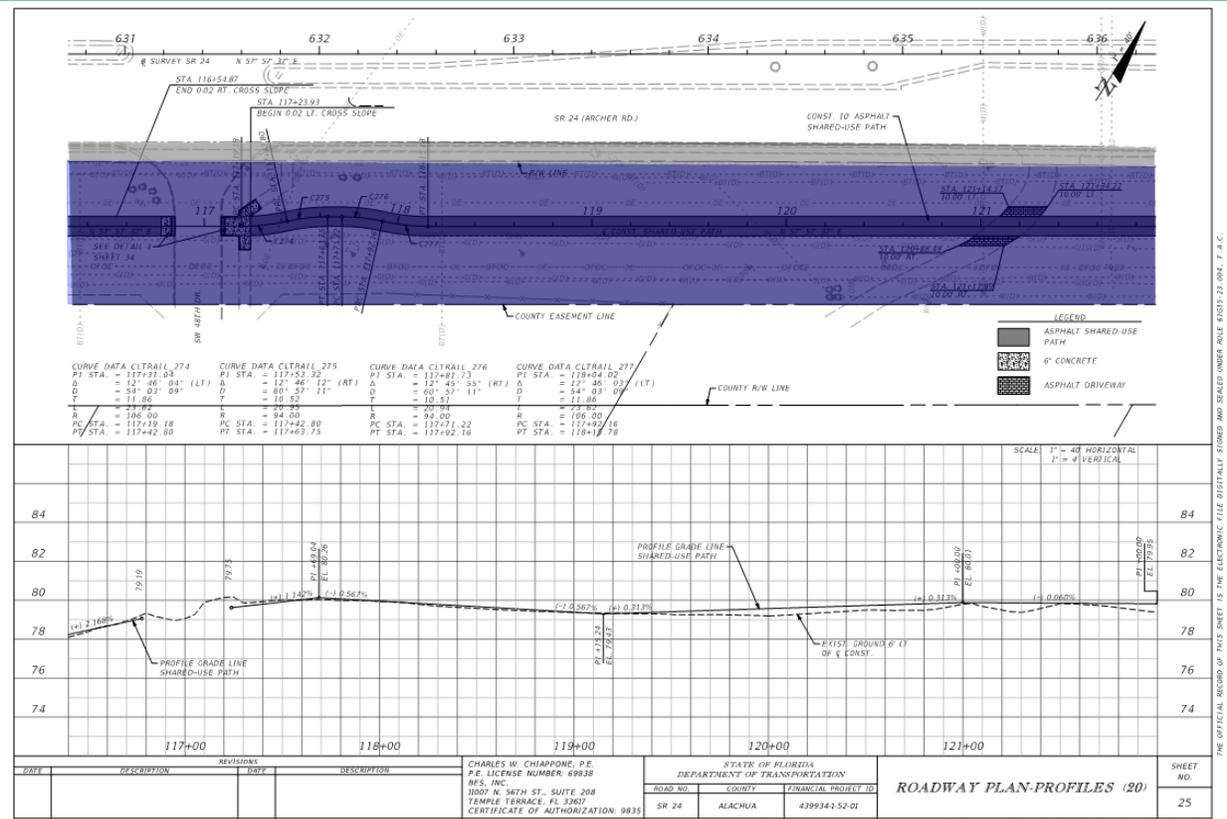
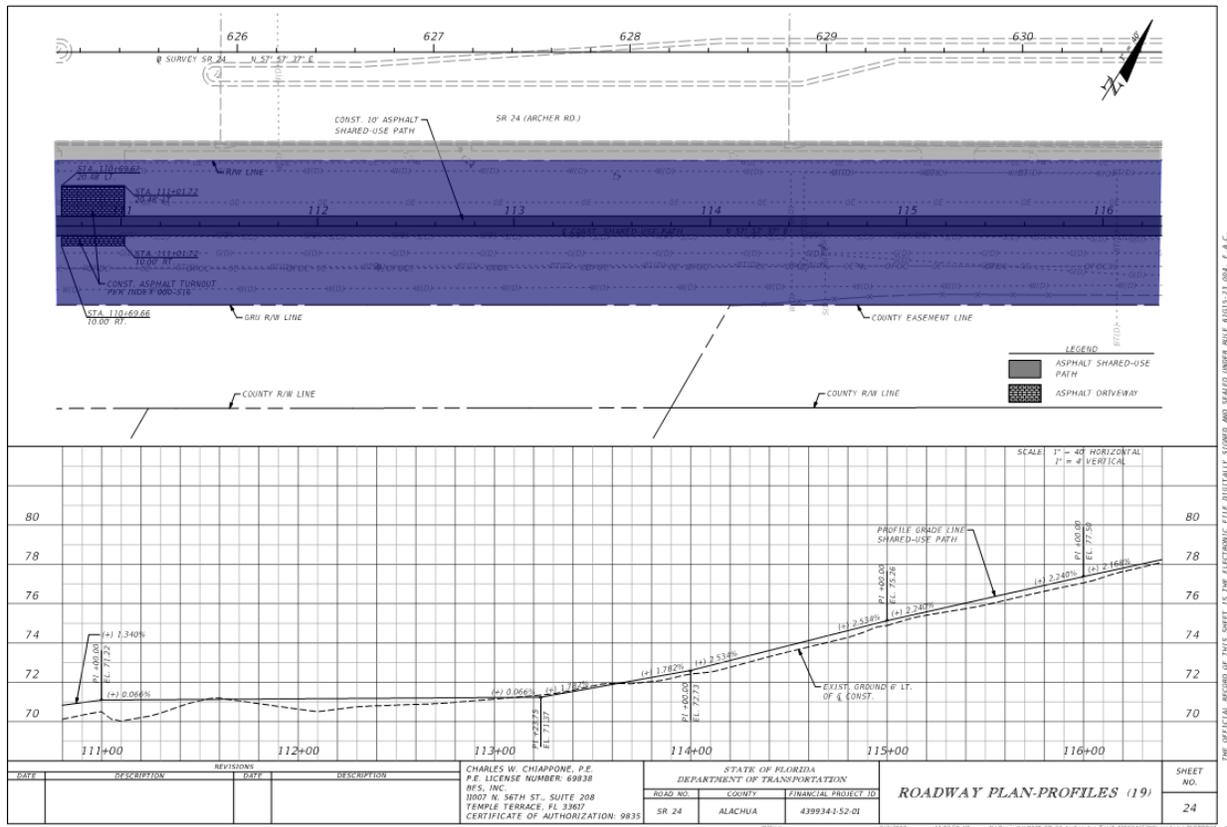




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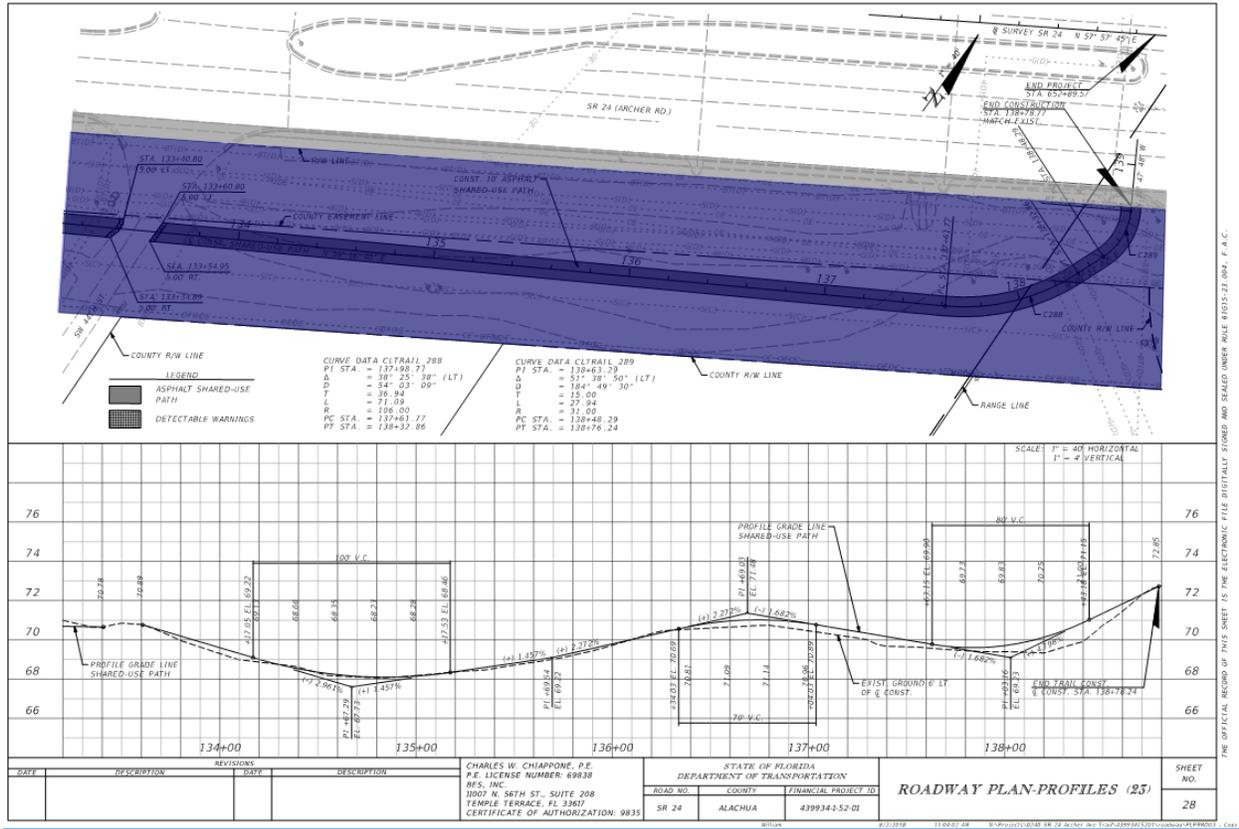


EXHIBIT "B"

(DESCRIPTION OF MULTI-USE TRAIL)

The Shared-Use Trail begins at the intersection of SR 24 (Archer Road) and SW 75th Terrace where the Trail meets the existing Archer-Braid Trail. The Trail continues along the south side of SR 24 in GRU right-of-way and ends at the intersection of SW 41st Boulevard. The total Trail length is 2.41 miles.



Financial Project ID No.: 439934-2-54-01

Project Description: a Bike / Path Trail along SR 24 (Archer Road) from SW 75th Terrace to SW 41st Blvd

Florida Shared Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Network Program

Off System Agency Maintain

EXHIBIT "C"

(RESOLUTION)