CHESTNUT GROVE CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT

PROJECT UPDATE BRIEFING

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June 10, 2025

TOWN OF Herndon

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Project Timeline and Background of Public Engagement

- **June 2023**
  Town staff began updating the cemetery master plan with consultant.

- **January 23, 2024 (Resolution 24-G-09)**
  Master plan adopted by Town Council. During the meeting, residents raised concerns about proposed changes.

- **Following the meeting**
  Town Council directed staff to incorporate public feedback into the design.

- **March 13 & 14, 2024**
  Public information gatherings held on-site for adjacent residents to discuss concerns.

- **January 25, 2025**
  Public informational session held to present solutions addressing residents' concerns.

- **June 10, 2025**
  Town Council project update meeting

Public Input Implemented Into Design

Enhanced Stormwater Retention and Detention

- Two new underground stormwater facilities proposed:
  - One for the western outfall
  - One for the northern outfall
- Site grading revised to divert most runoff from northern properties and toward the larger western facility
- Western facility will connect directly to the Town's public storm sewer system
- Northern facility will be downsized to allow for 60-foot buffer area

Expanded Buffer Width

- Original 25-foot buffer increased to **60 feet total**:
  - 45-foot **undisturbed natural buffer**
  - 15-foot **planted buffer**

Public Input Implemented Into Design (cont'd)

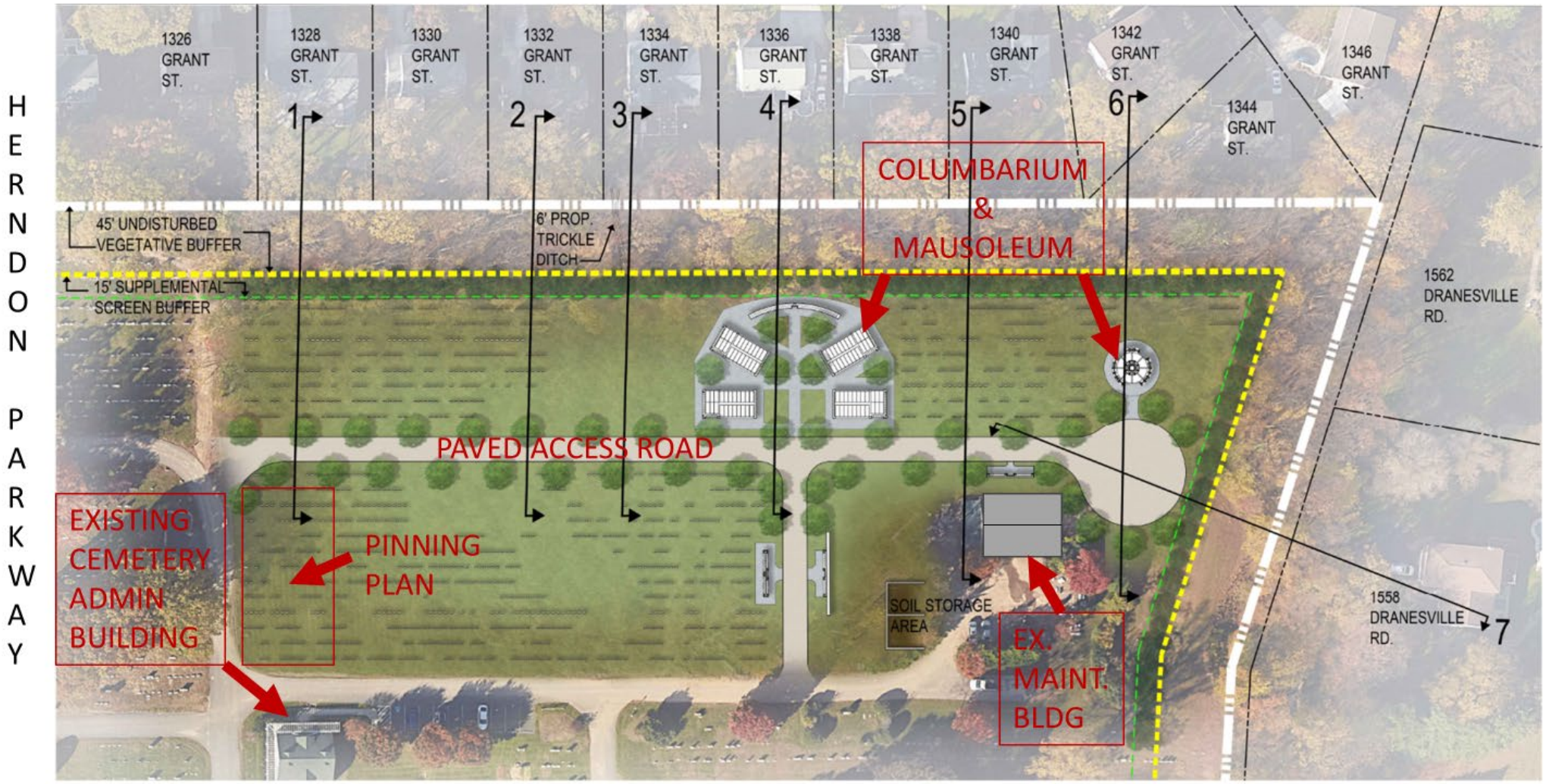
- **Limited activities** allowed in the undisturbed buffer:
  - Install trickle ditch to connect western facility to storm sewer
  - Install a new storm drainpipe at northern facility
  - Remove hazardous trees and invasive species
  - Plant native trees and shrubs

Increased Preservation of Natural Woods

- Greater emphasis on preserving and enhancing existing woodland

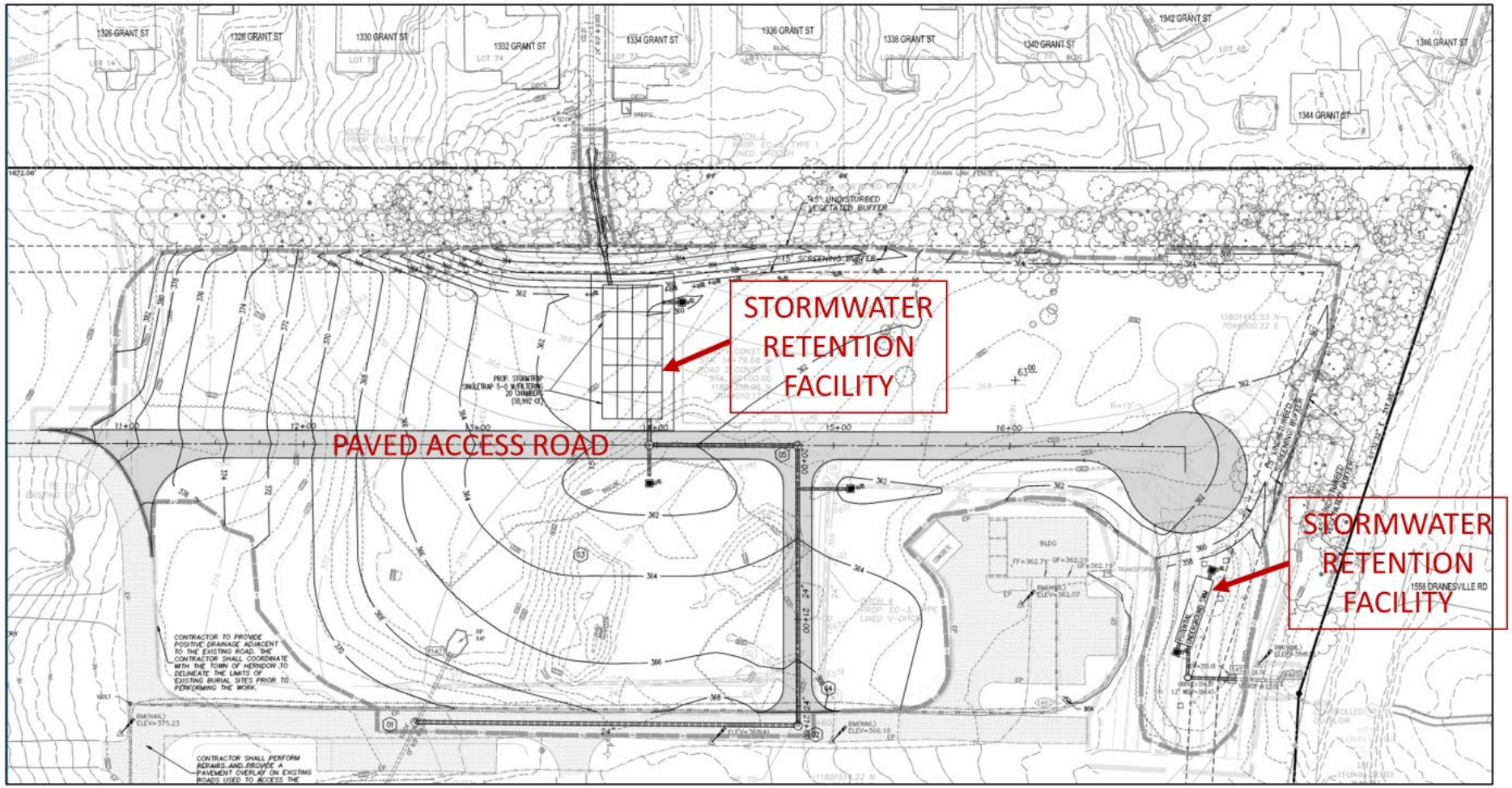
- Additional canopy, evergreen trees, and large shrubs will be planted:
  - Within the 45-foot undisturbed buffer
  - In the 15-foot planted buffer
  - Commitment made during public engagement to deliver robust landscaping and natural screening

Illustrative Site Plan



Site Plan

HERNDON PARKWAY



DRANESVILLE ROAD

25’ Undisturbed Area – Original Design

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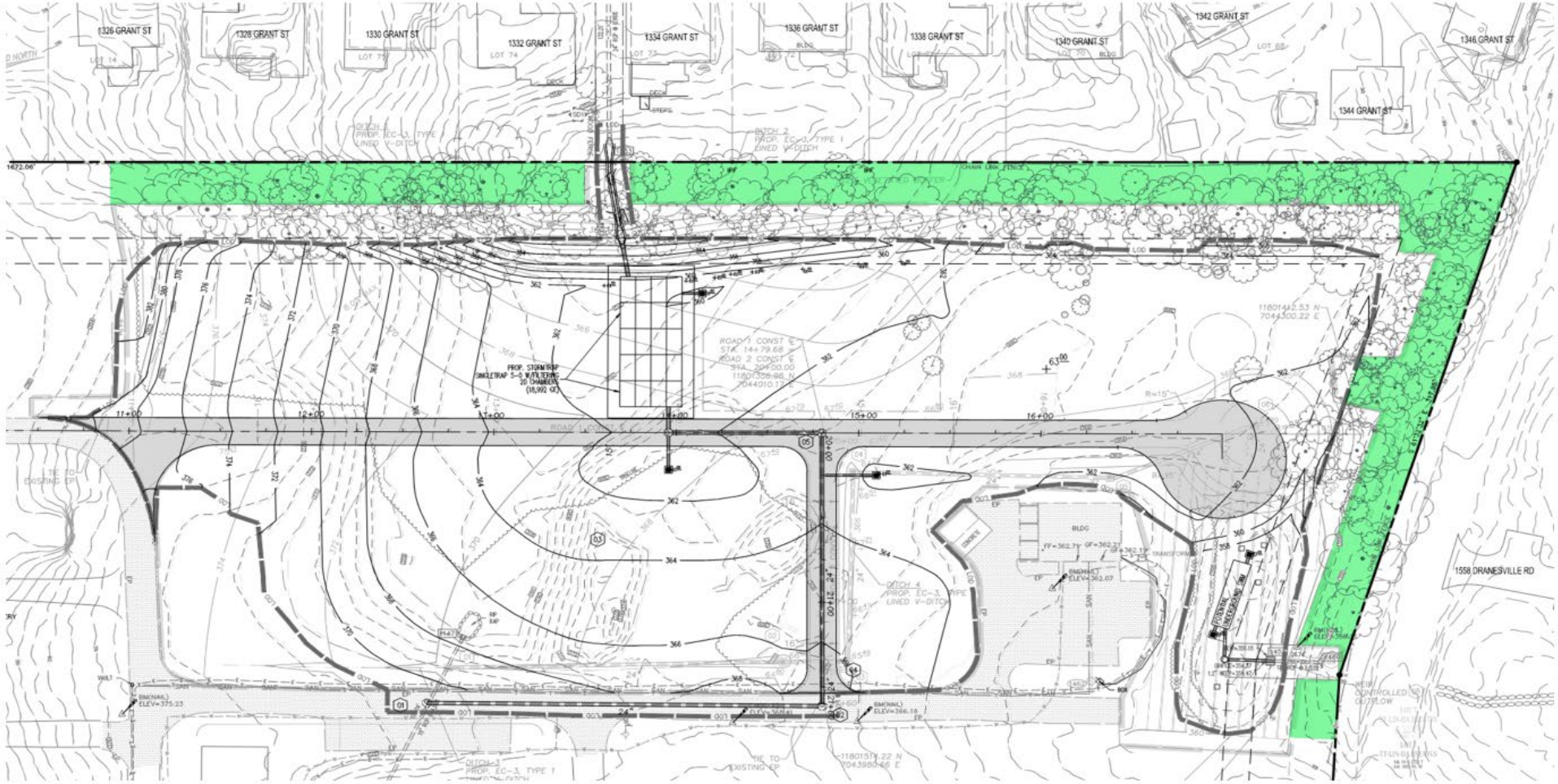

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45’ Undisturbed Area – Current Design

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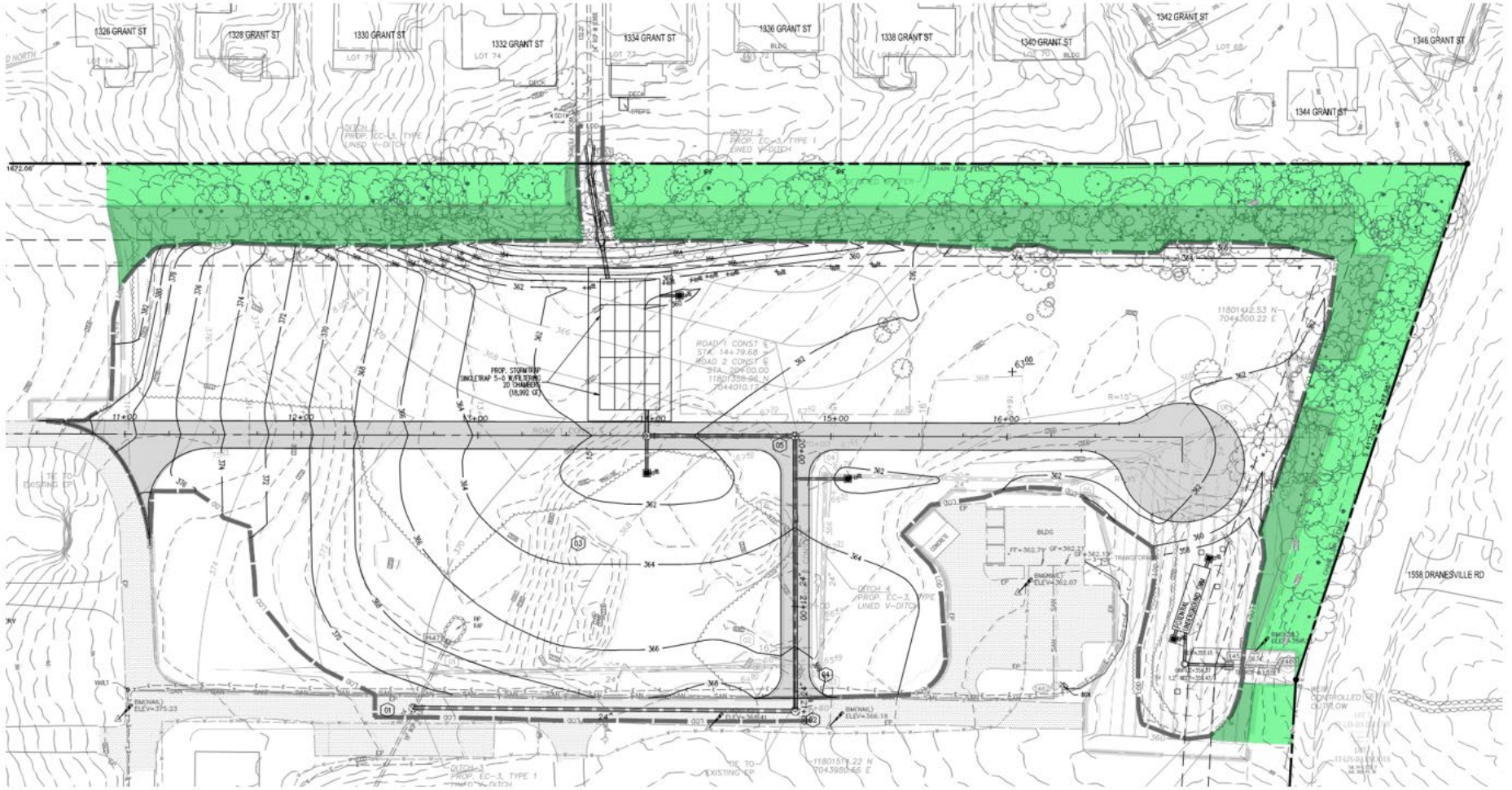

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45’ Undisturbed Area + 15’ Planted Buffer

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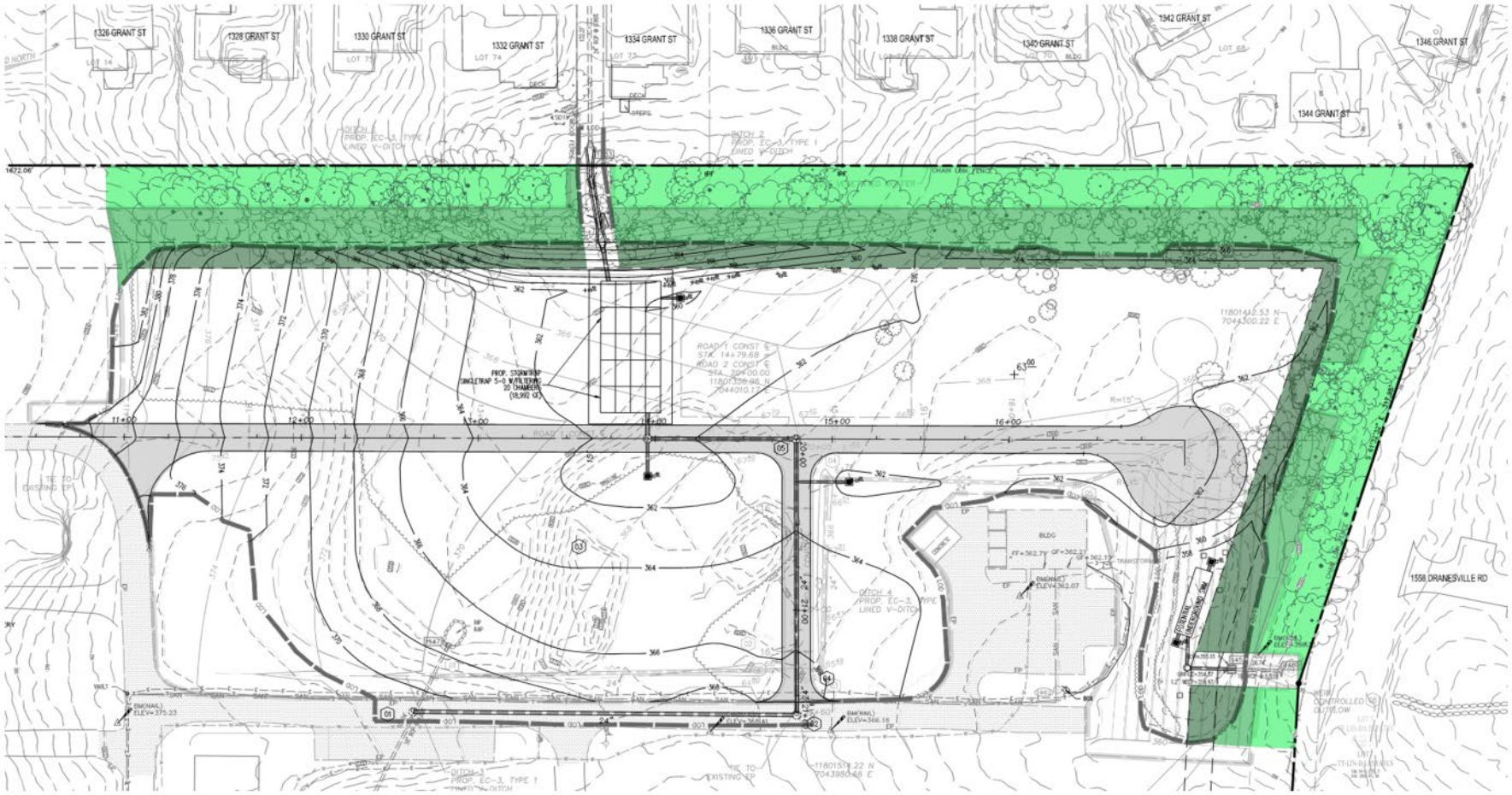

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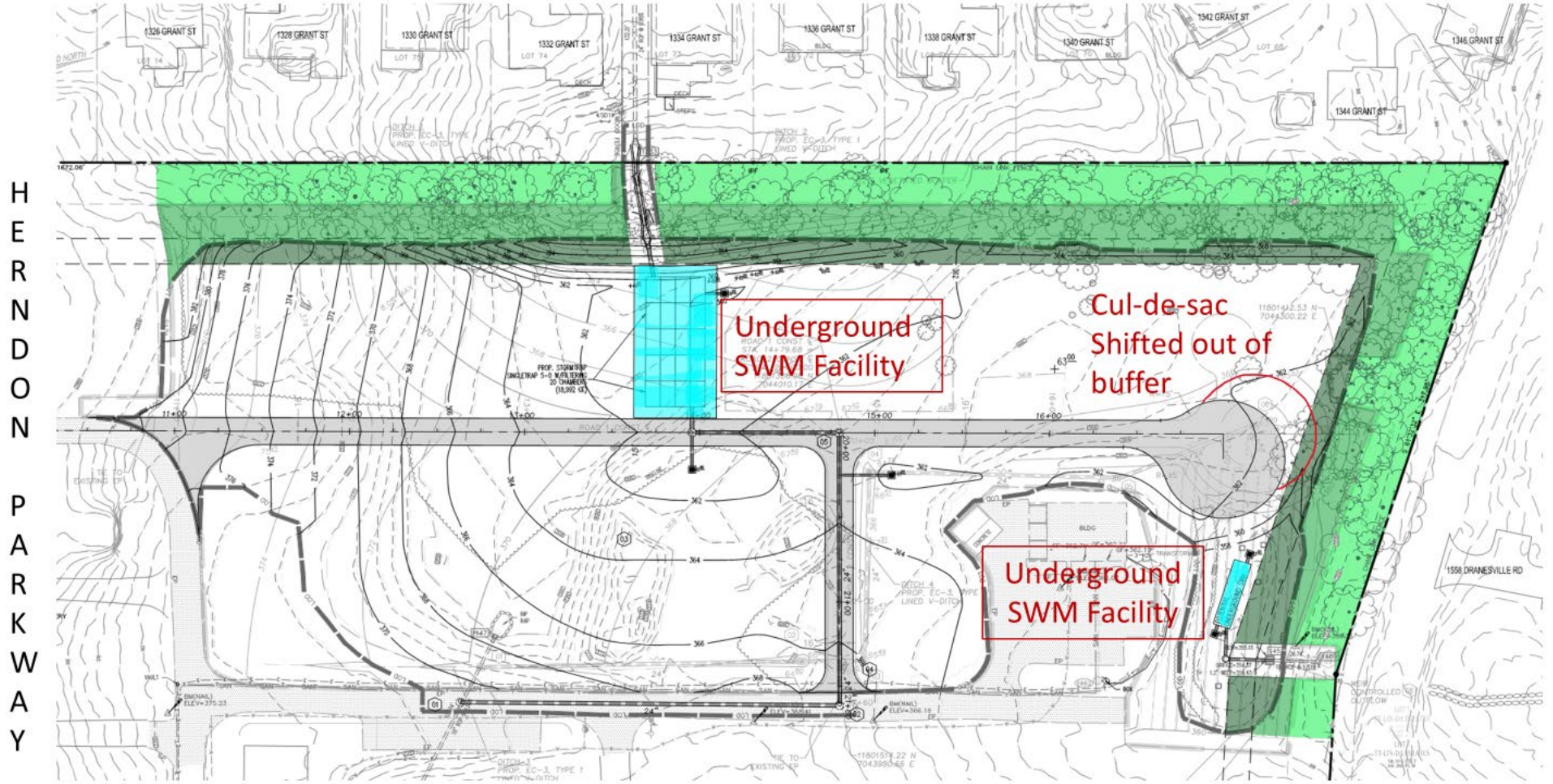
Underground SWM & Cul-de-sac Shift



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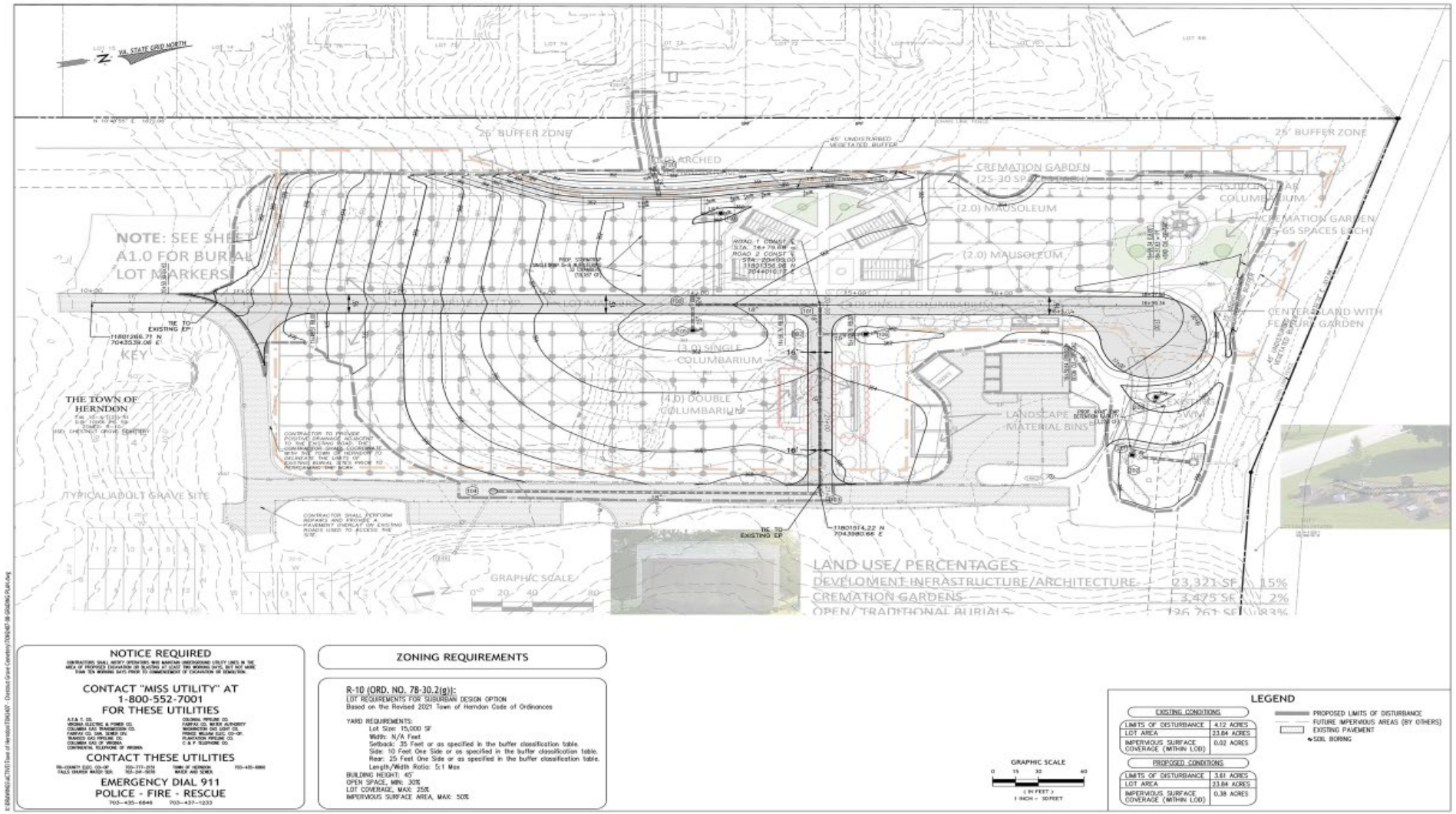
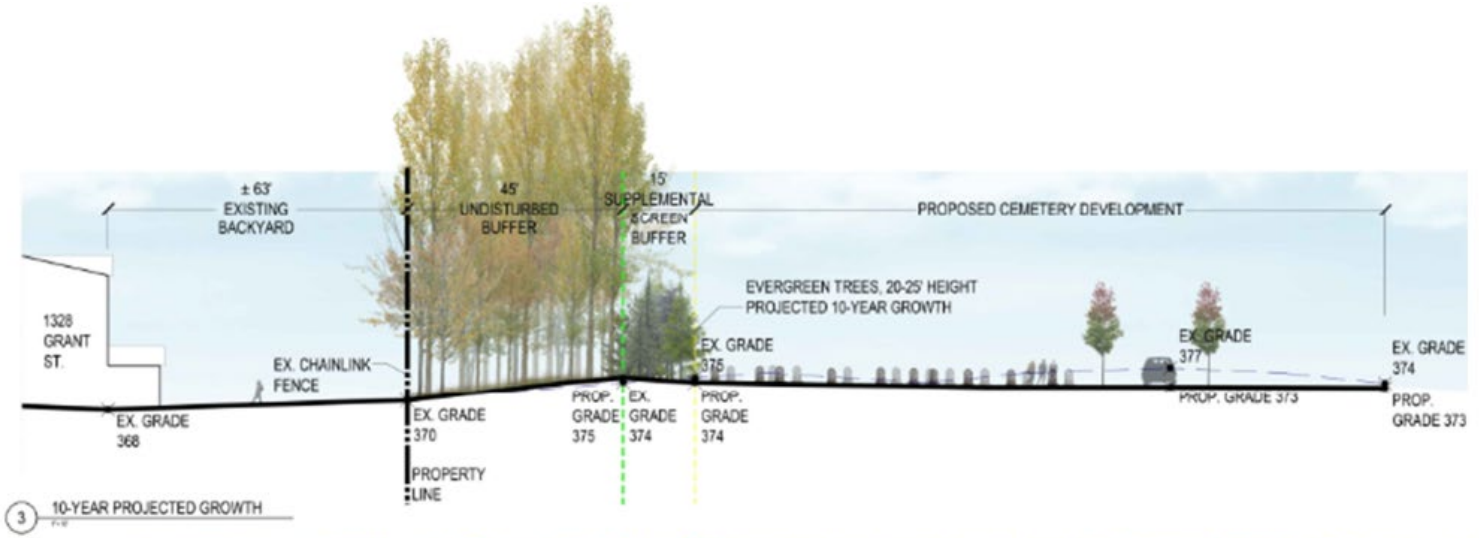
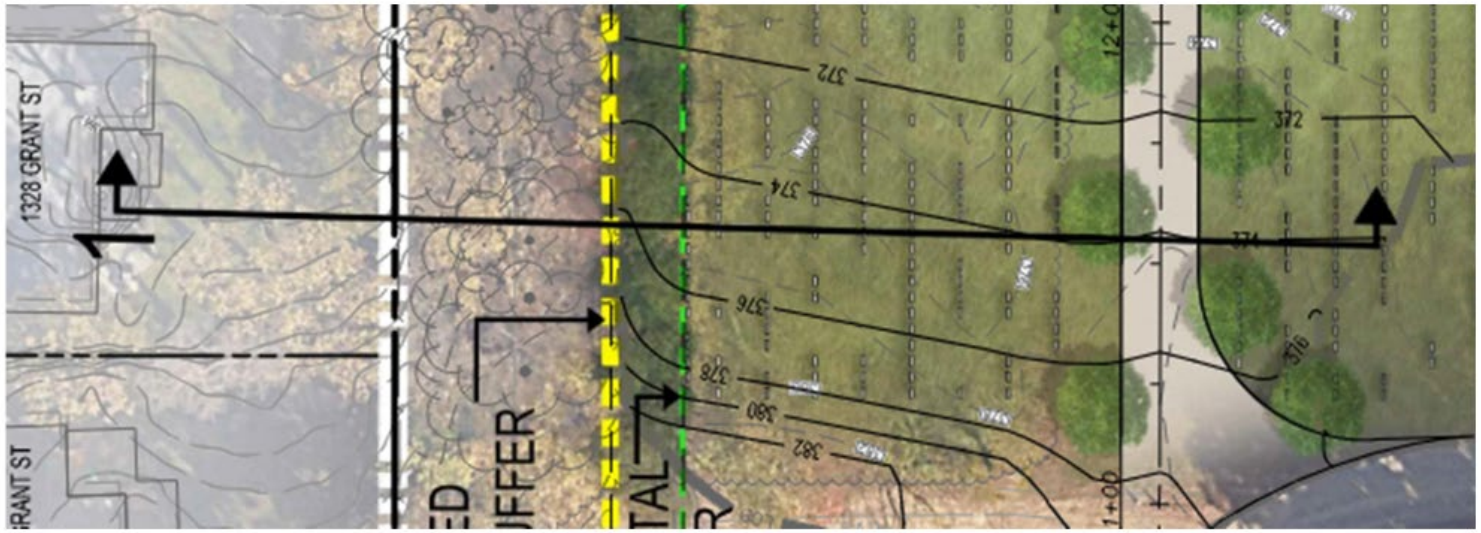
Site Plan With Master Plan Overlay







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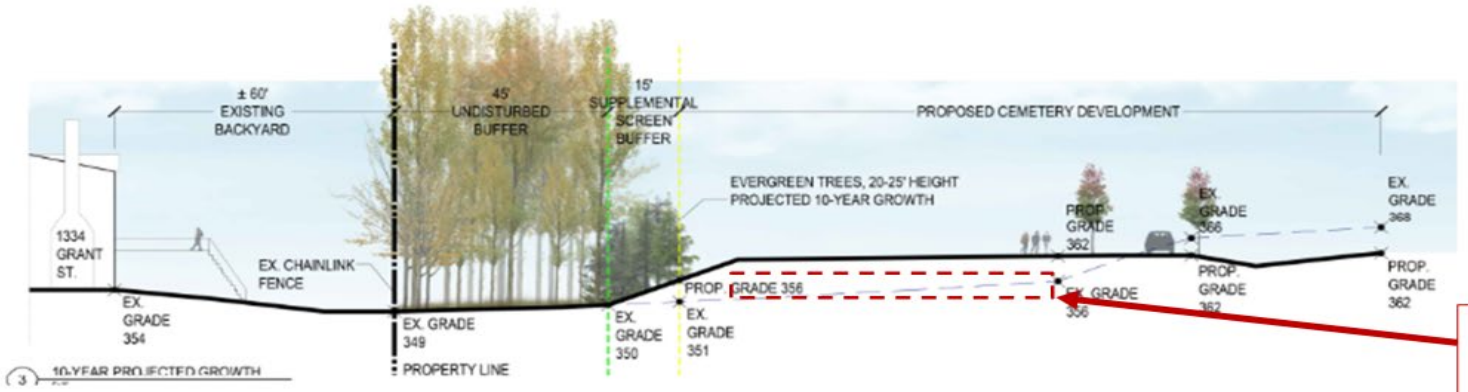
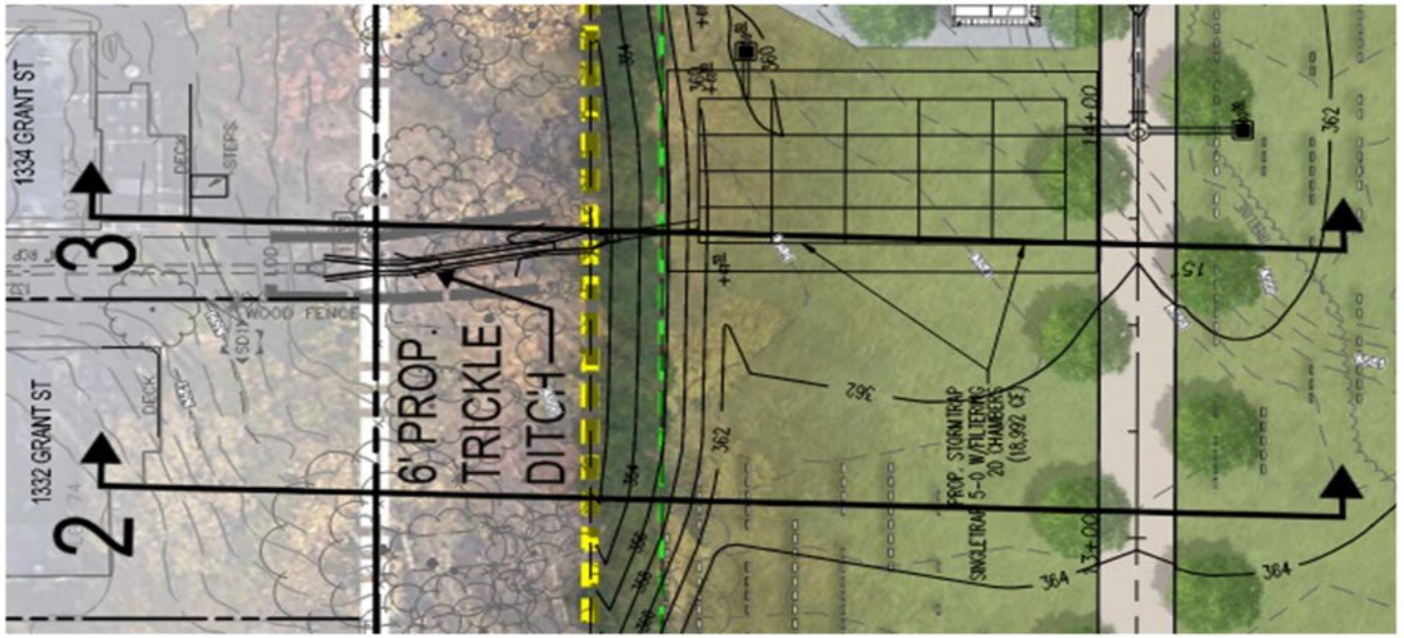


UNDERGROUND SWM FACILITY



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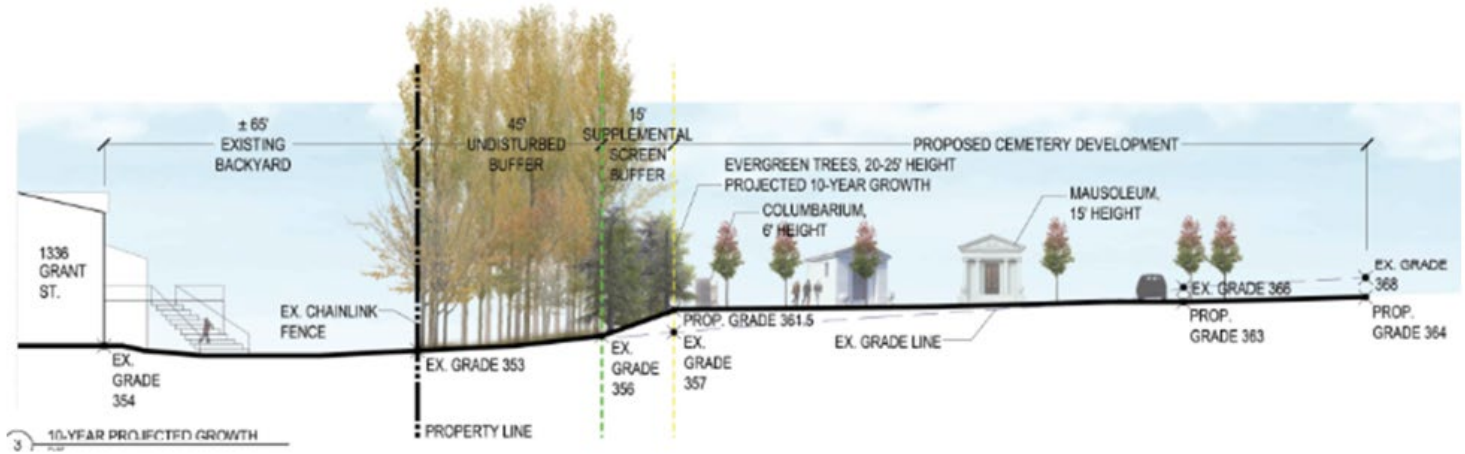

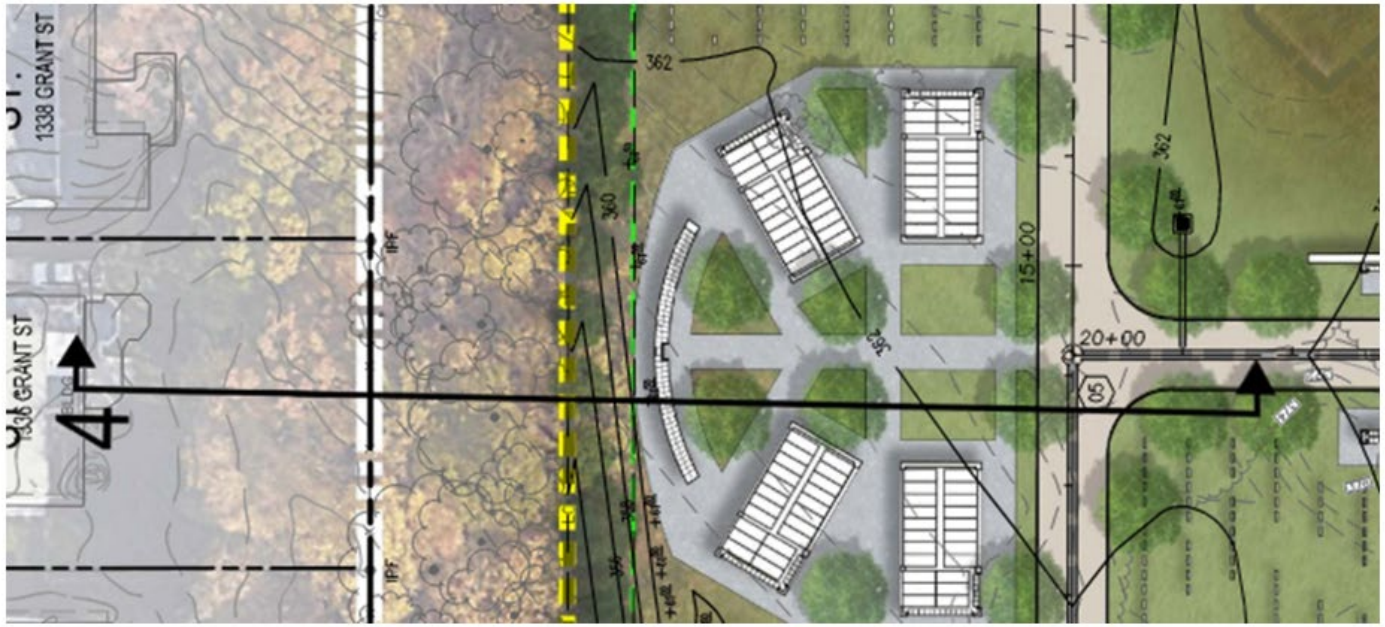

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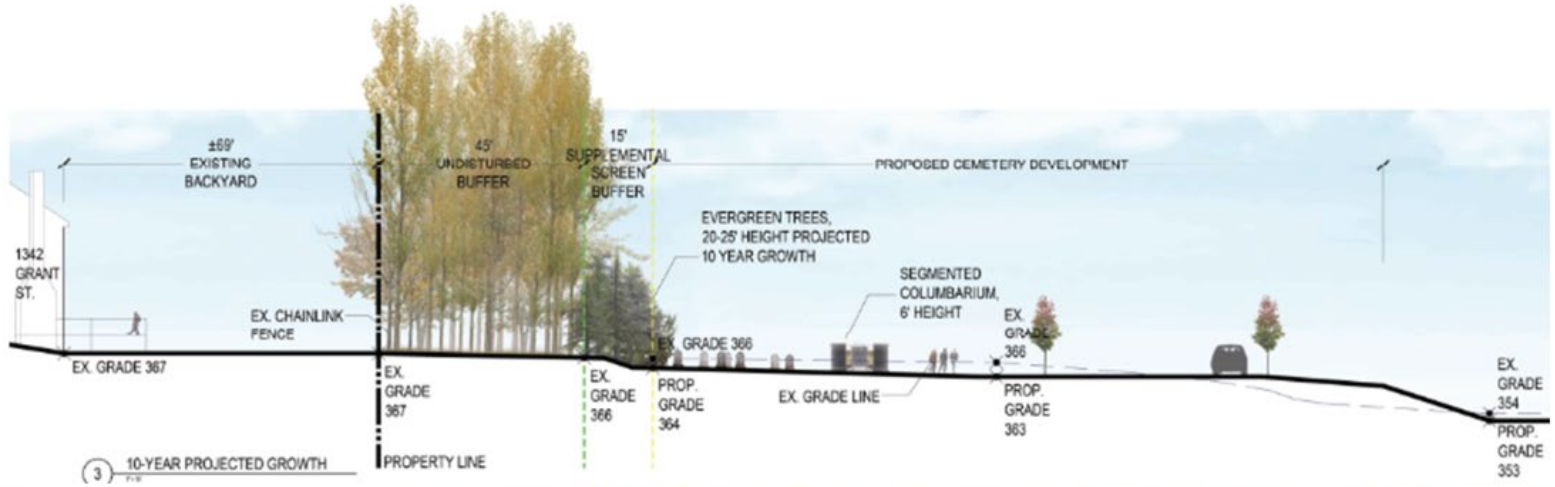

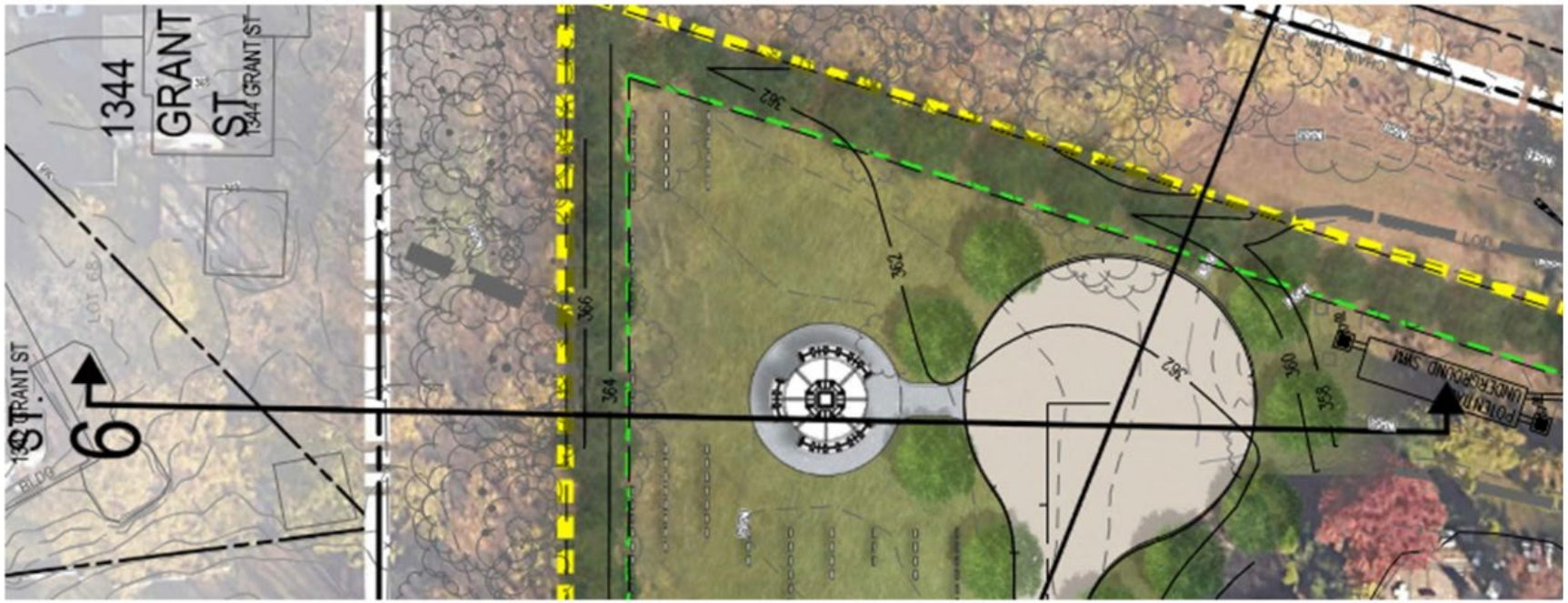

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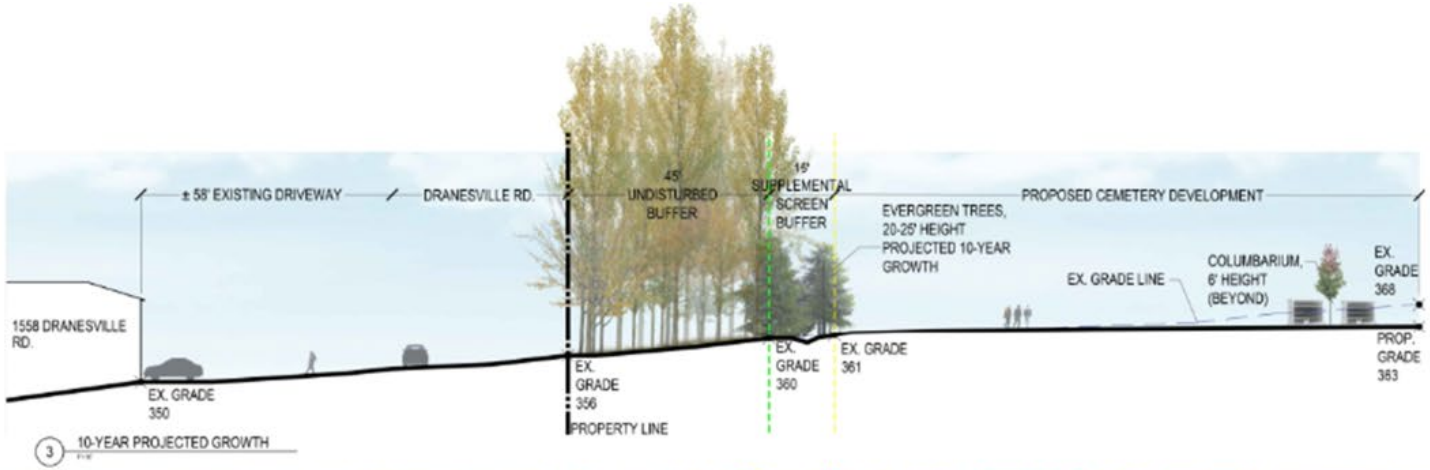

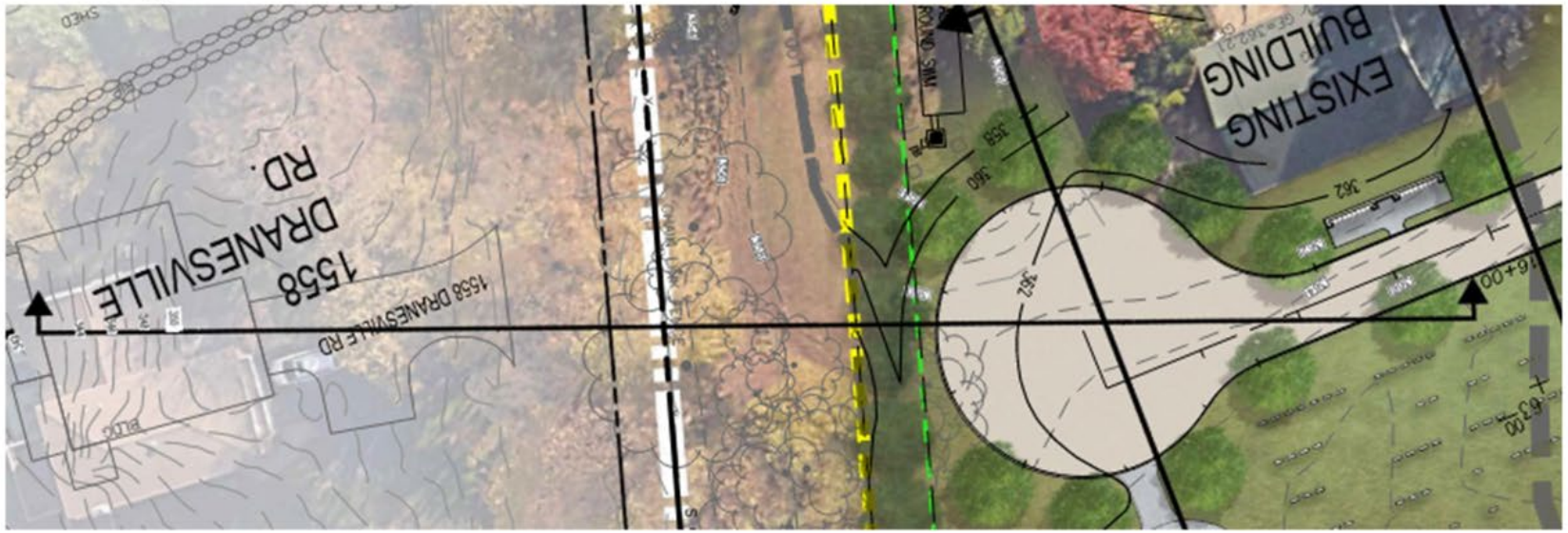

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