

Welcome

Public Information Meeting

In-Person Public Information Meeting: July 31st, 2025



Contract Number: C24-3985-PW



Title VI Compliance

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express concerns relative to compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting:



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All inquiries will be handled in a prompt and courteous manner.



Purpose and Need

What is a PD&E Study

A PD&E Study is the formal process that develops and compares alternatives to determine a preferred action that meets project goals, while minimizing impacts to the social, natural, and physical environments. Engaging the public by sharing and receiving information is a key component of this process and required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

Purpose

The purposes of the proposed West 98 Collector Road Project are to provide an alternative route option for military access and local traffic to support mobility and safety, establish a utility corridor to aid in potential utility relocations in the event U.S. 98 becomes widened to six-lanes and evaluate a connection to a potential west gate project on Hurlburt Field.

Need

Arterial roads, like U.S. 98, often have a supporting network of collector and local roads to help distribute the traffic. Some trips can be taken on local or collector roads and improve safety by reducing potential conflict points with turning traffic and providing an alternative route during incidents or unplanned events. Therefore, U.S. 98 is forced to function like a collector road because there is no parallel facility to collect the local streets. Thus, there is a need for a new collector road parallel to U.S. 98 to serve an alternate route option for local traffic and military access in the unincorporated Florosa Community.



Project Description

Start of Current Phase: Fall 2024

Estimated Completion: Summer 2026

The proposed West 98 Collector Road Project consists of a PD&E Study evaluating location and design concepts for an approximate 3.25-mile collector road that runs parallel to S.R. 30 (U.S. 98) located west of Hurlburt Field and north of Florosa Elementary and the Florosa Fire Station between Eglin Air Force Base property and private property from just east of Solar Street to Green Drive, an additional roadway connection to support the Hurlburt Field West Gate Project, and an approximately 2-mile utility corridor between Green Drive and the Santa Rosa County Line.



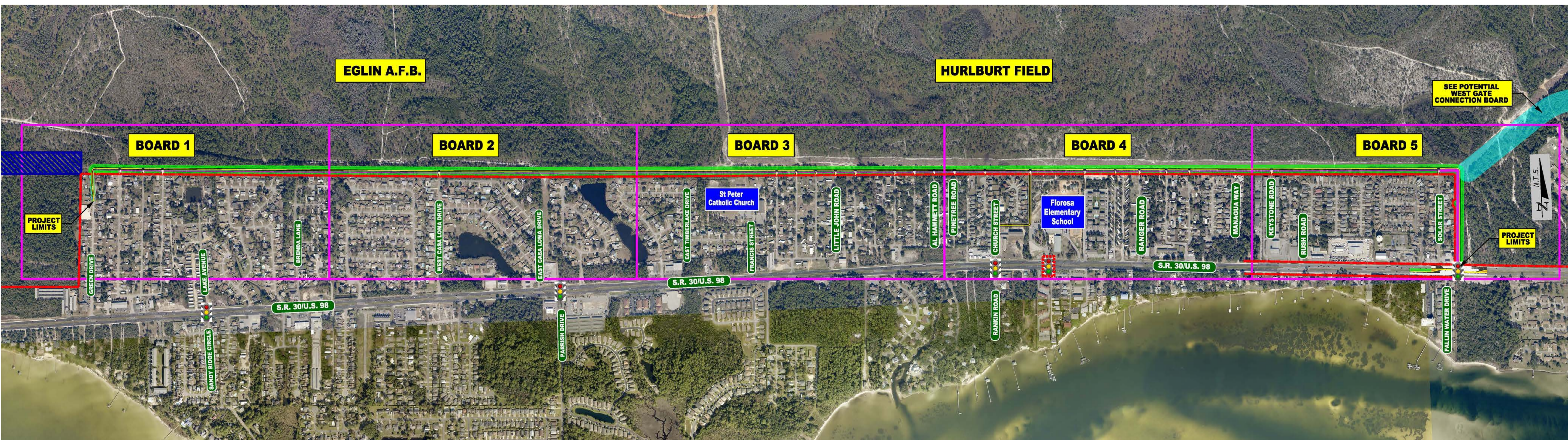
WEST 98 COLLECTOR
Okaloosa County

Study Limits



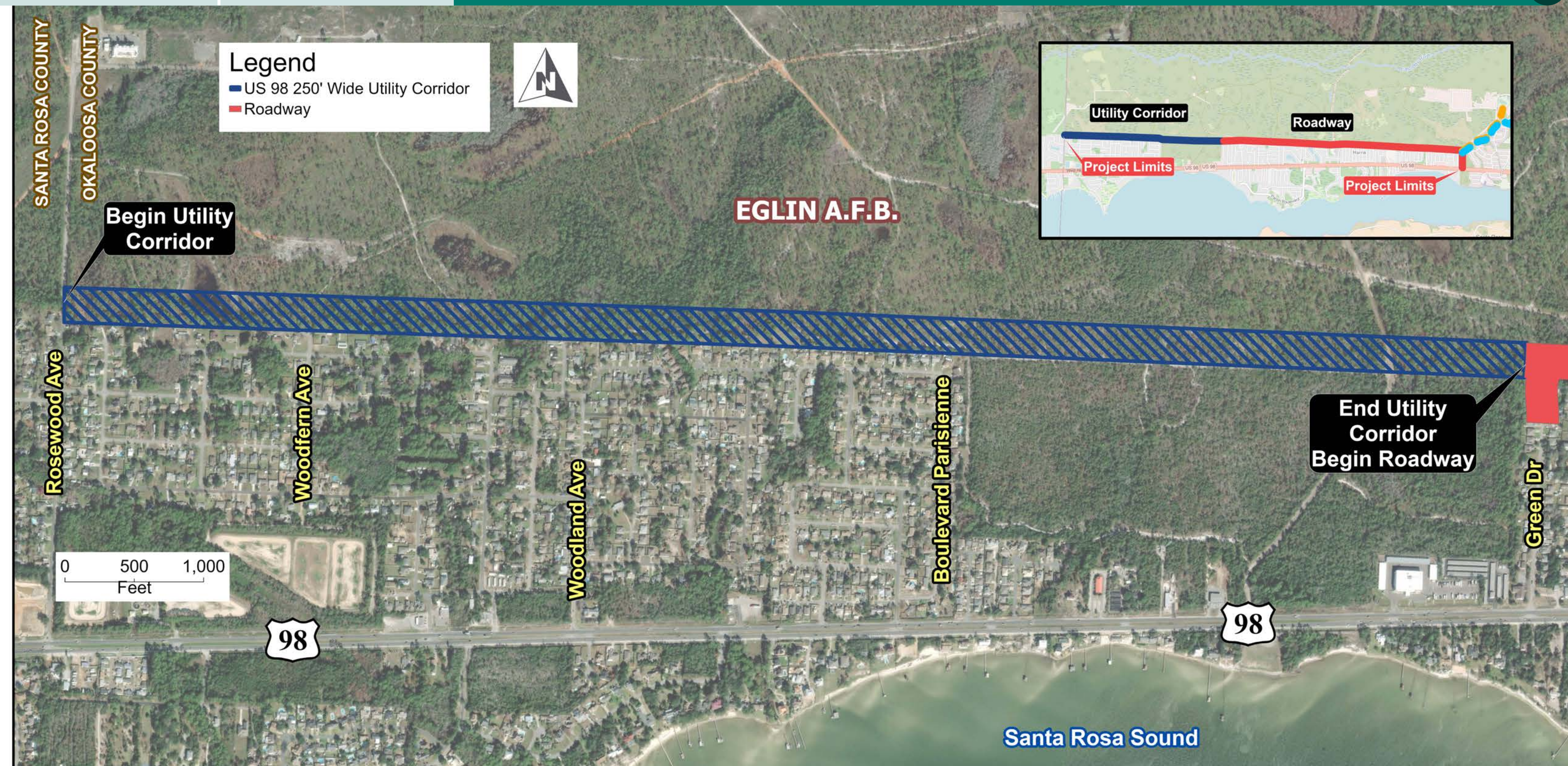


Overall Board Layouts



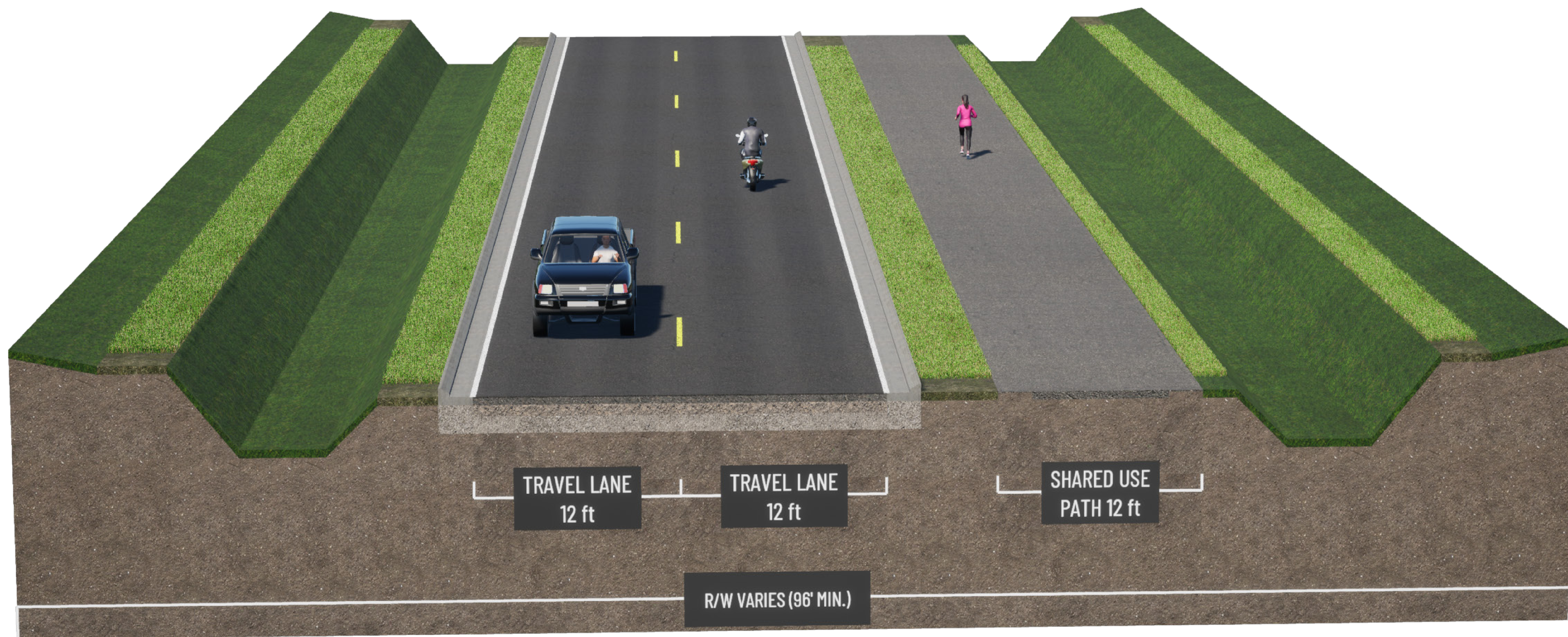


Utility Corridor





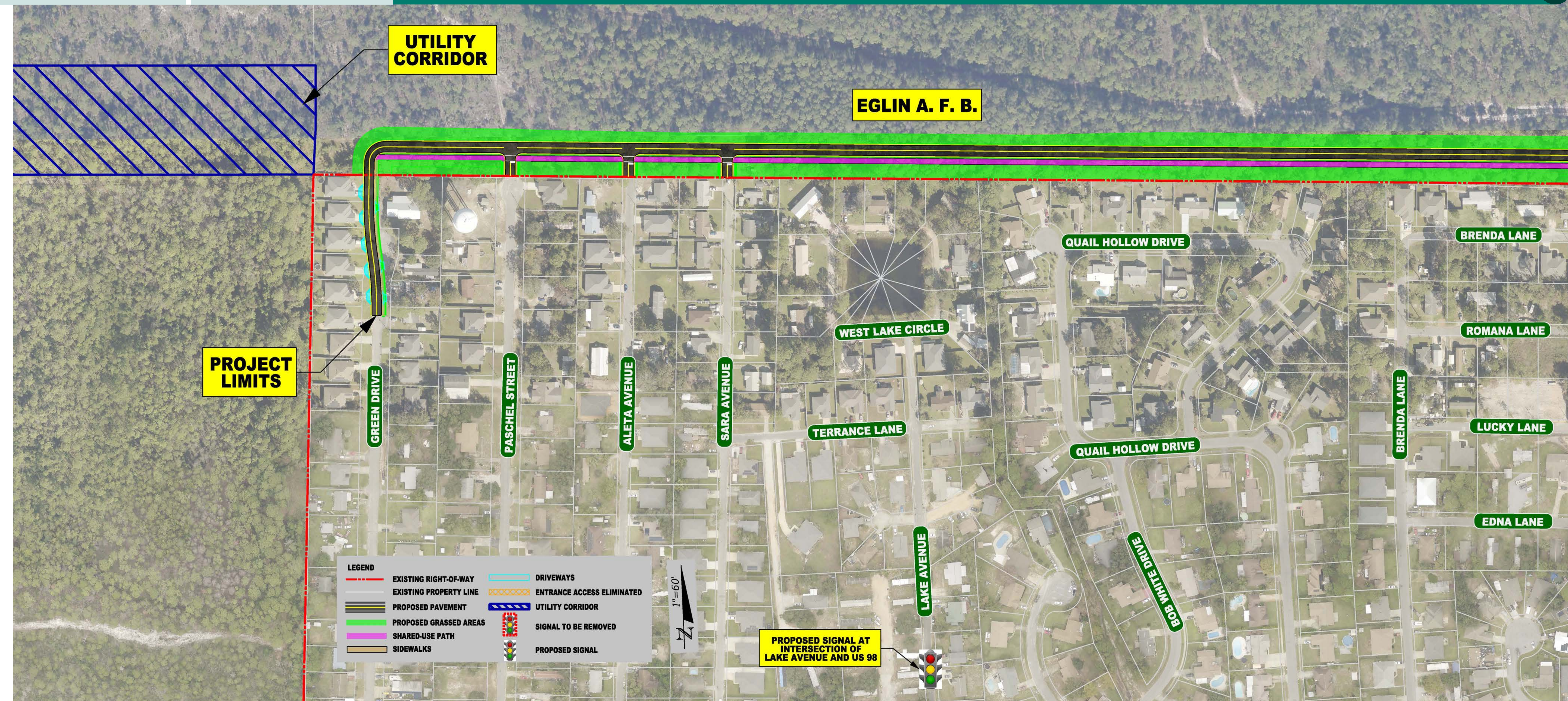
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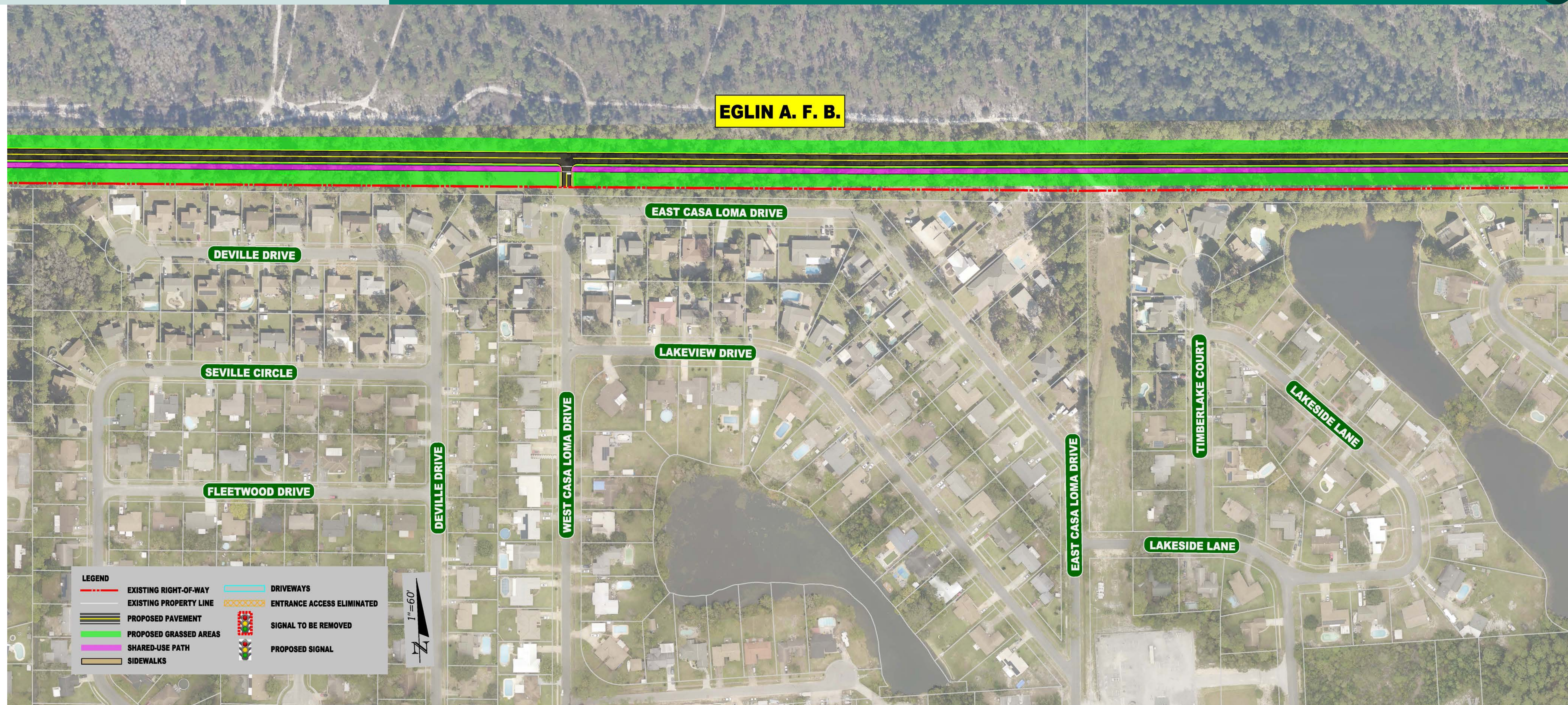
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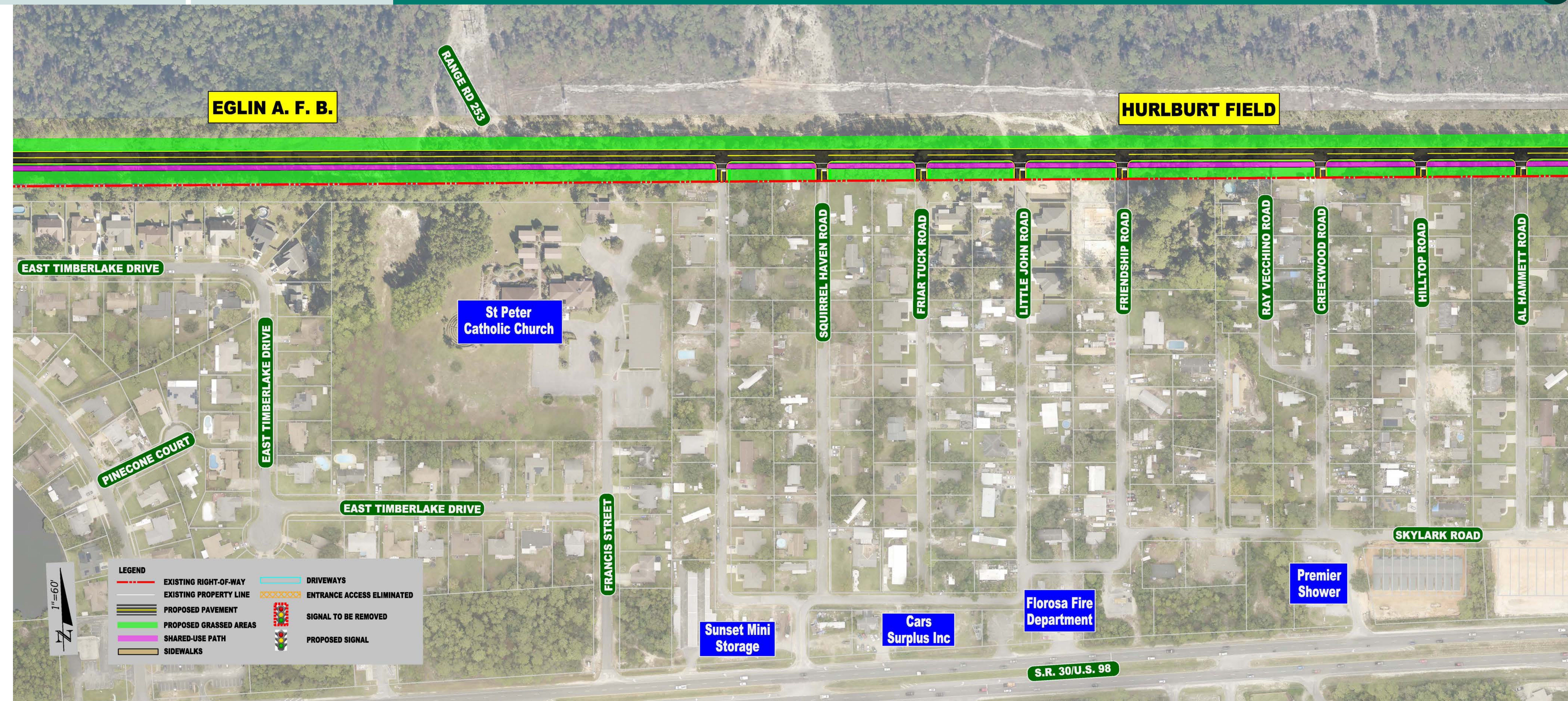
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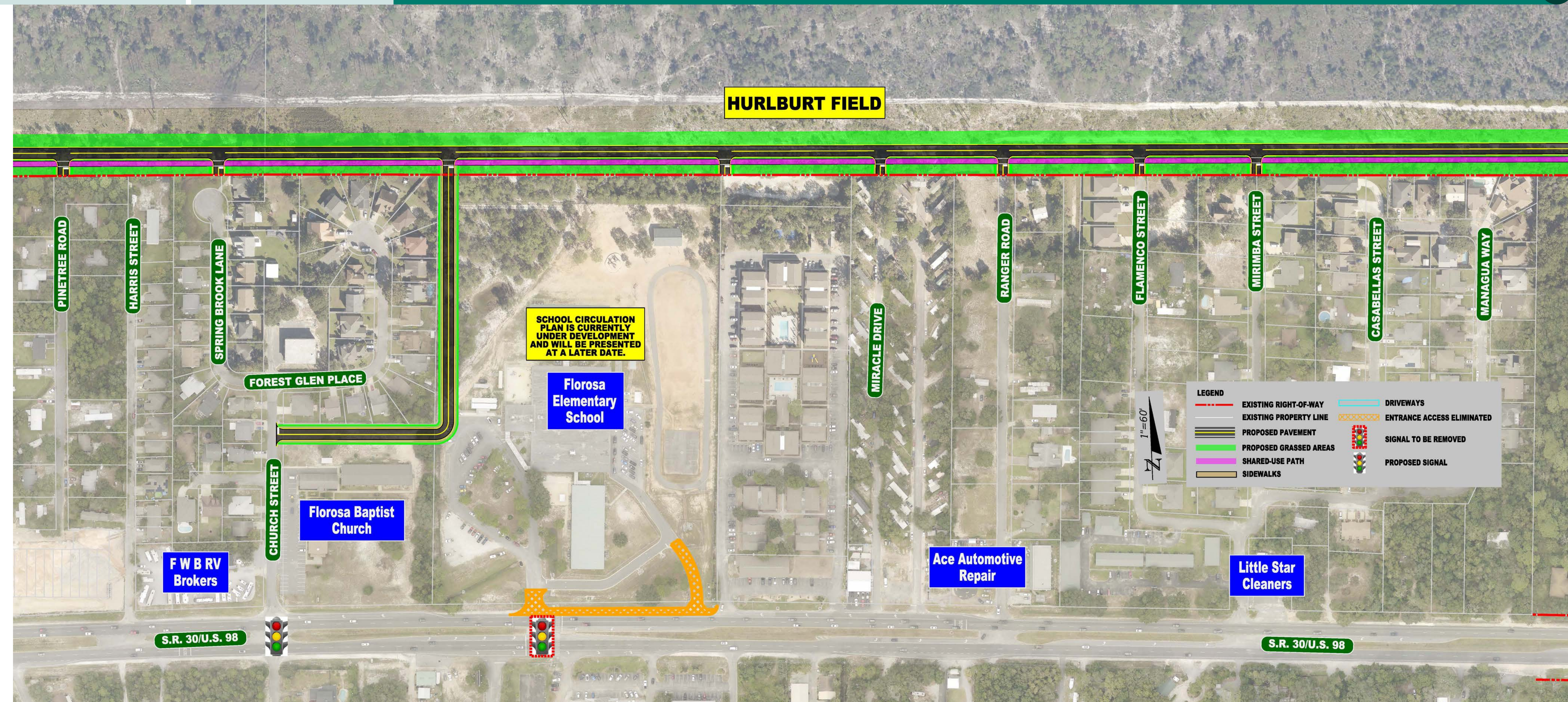


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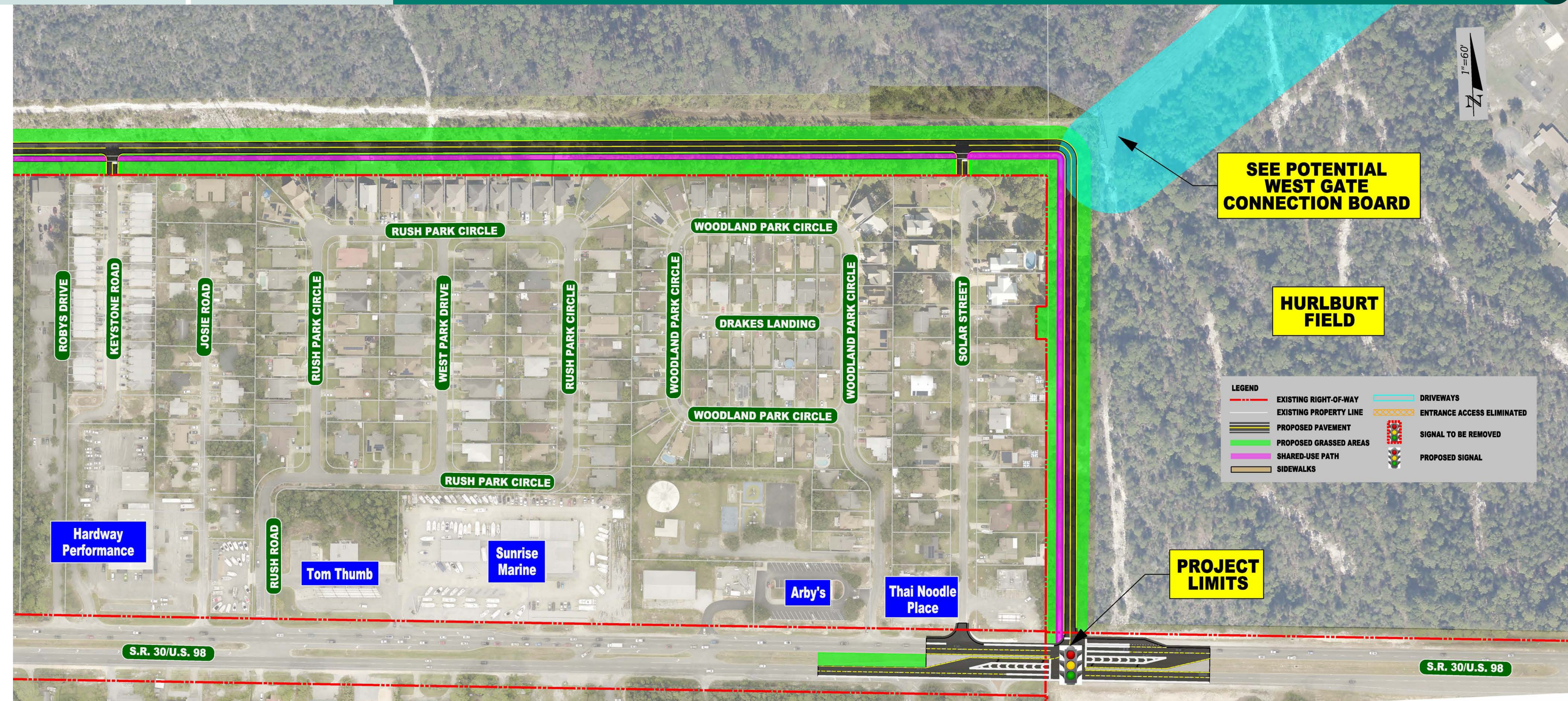


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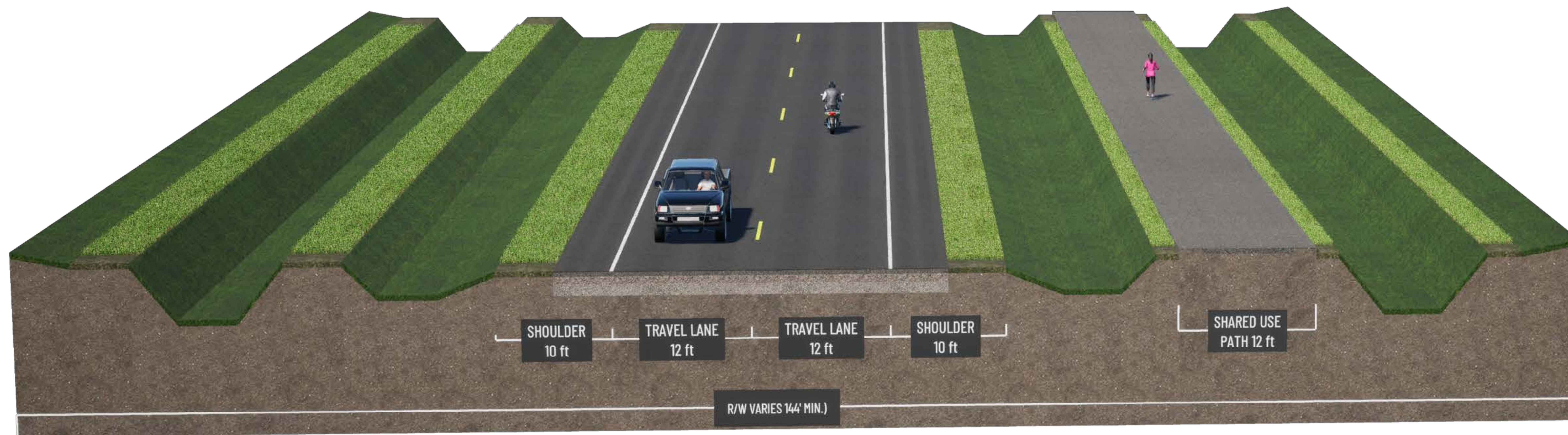


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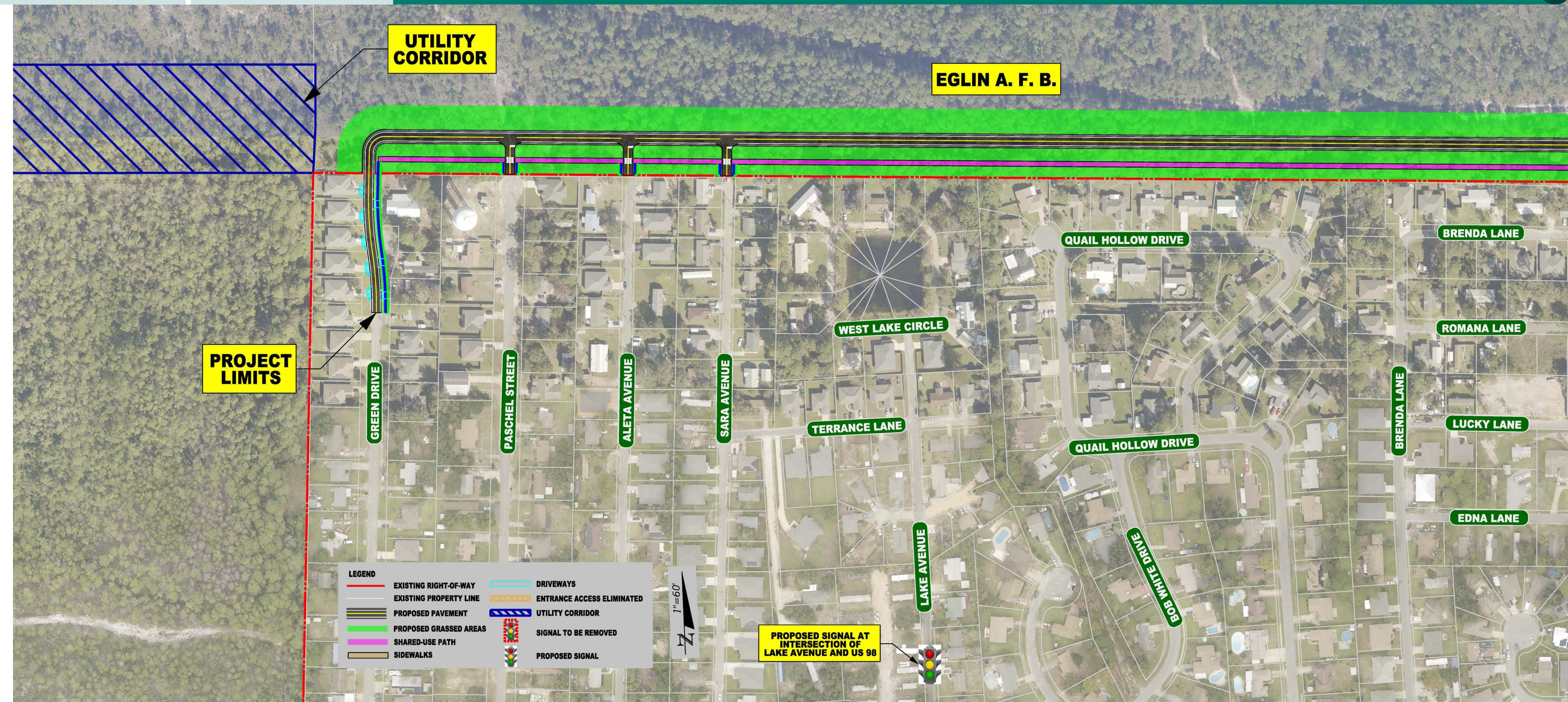


Rural Typical Section





Rural Alternative #2





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EGLIN A. F. B.

EAST CASA LOMA DRIVE

LAKEVIEW DRIVE

DEVILLE DRIVE

SEVILLE CIRCLE

FLEETWOOD DRIVE

DEVILLE DRIVE

WEST CASA LOMA DRIVE

EAST CASA LOMA DRIVE

TIMBERLAKE COURT

LAKEVIEW DRIVE

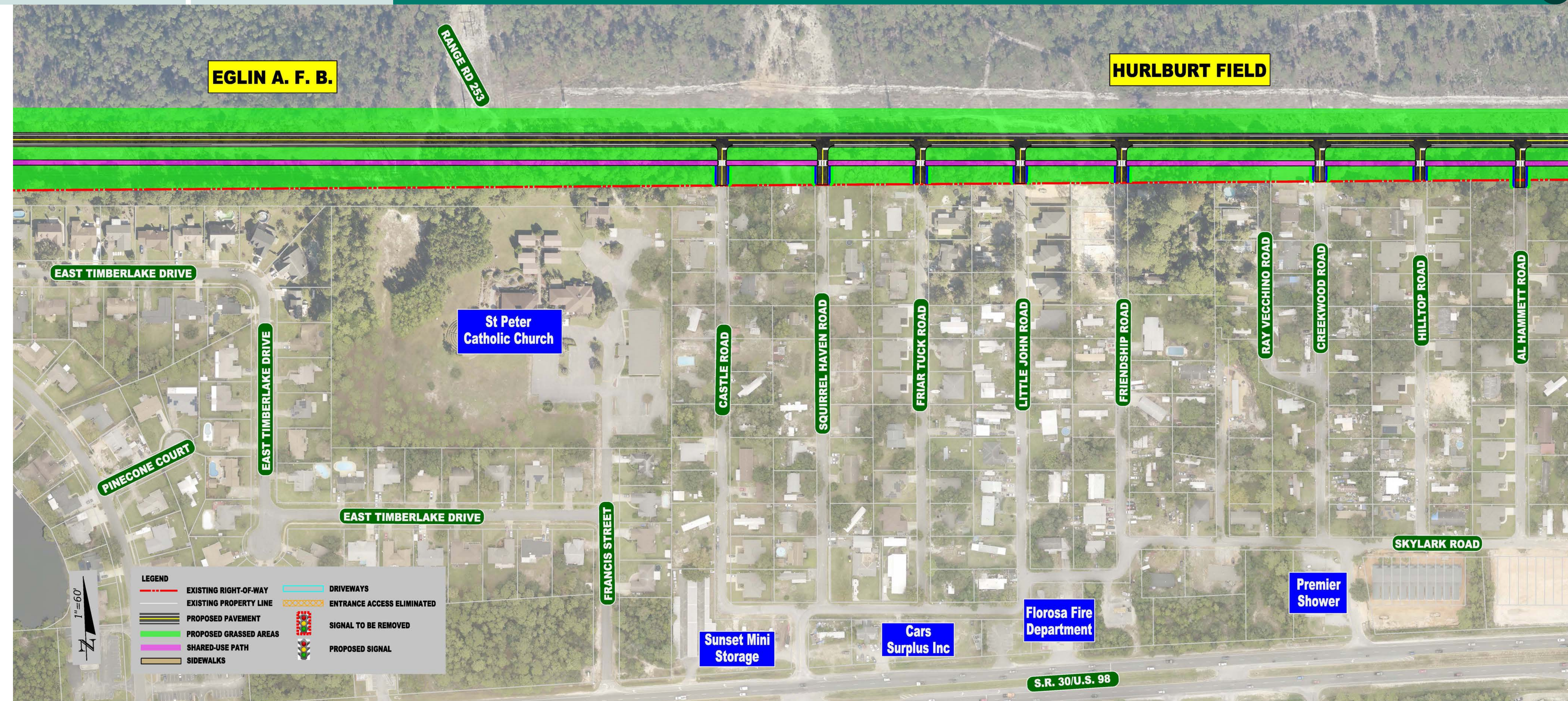
LAKEVIEW DRIVE

LEGEND			
	EXISTING RIGHT-OF-WAY		DRIVEWAYS
	EXISTING PROPERTY LINE		ENTRANCE ACCESS ELIMINATED
	PROPOSED PAVEMENT		SIGNAL TO BE REMOVED
	PROPOSED GRASSED AREAS		PROPOSED SIGNAL
	SHARED-USE PATH		
	SIDEWALKS		



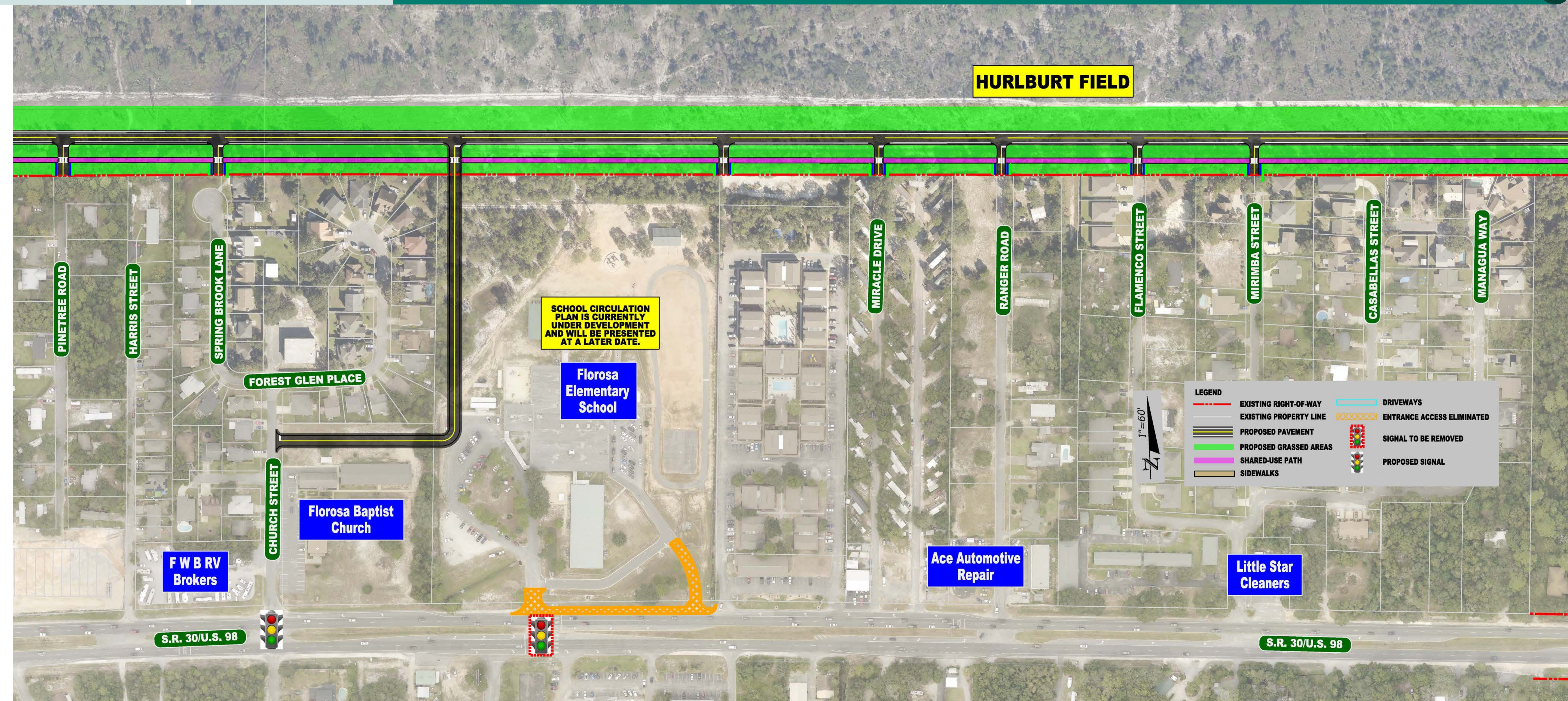


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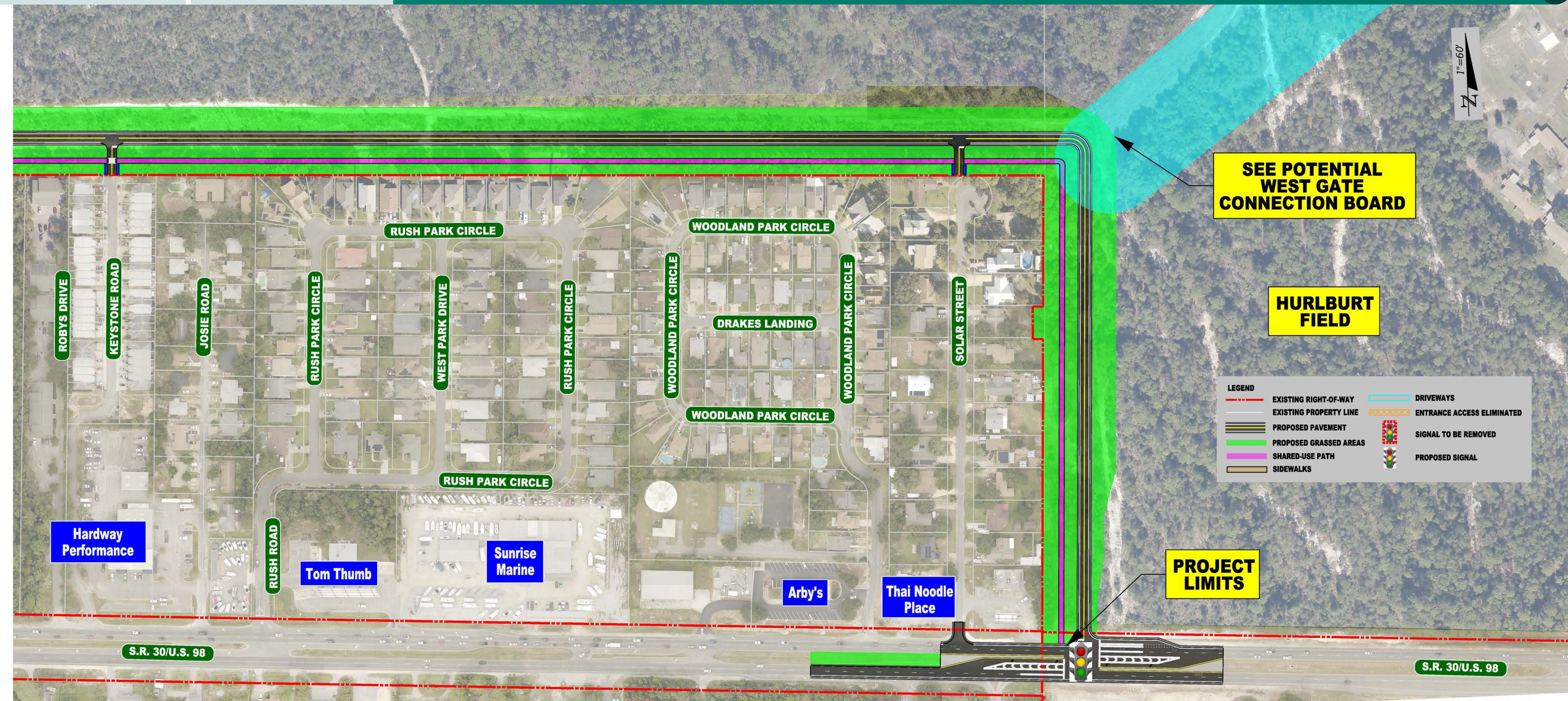


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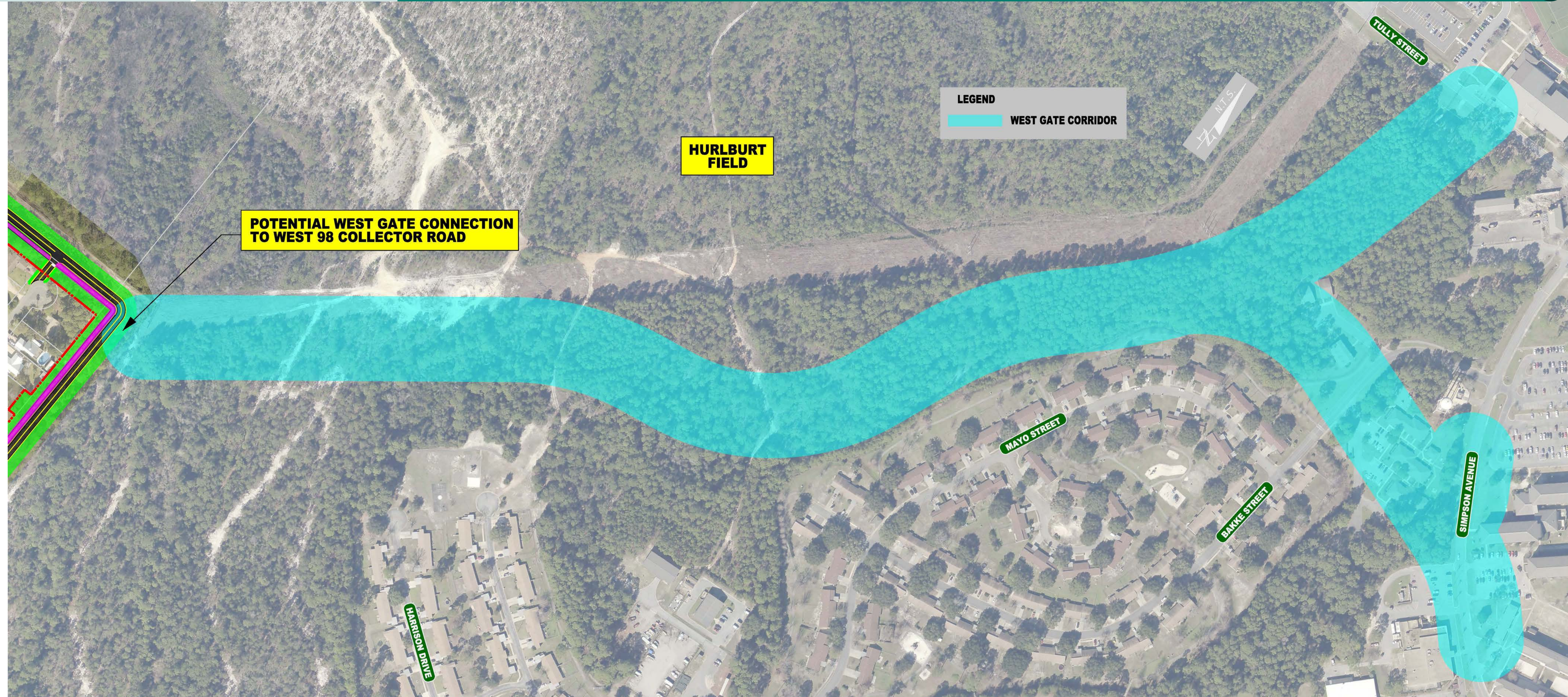


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West Gate Connector







PD&E Schedule

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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY MILESTONES	2025		2026
	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar
PUBLIC MEETING			
PUBLIC HEARING			

*Subject to change

Notification Letter



Public Meeting



Public Hearing



Public Comments

Participants are welcome to submit comments or questions via a comment box.



THANK YOU

For your participation and for your interest
in the West 98 Collector Road Project
Development and Environment Study.



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