

El Dorado Trail Extension Project

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Presented to:

**El Dorado County
Board of Supervisors**



County of El Dorado
Community Development Agency
Transportation Division

Project Information

- **Construct a Class I Bike Path from Missouri Flat Road to El Dorado Road**



- **Construct a Pedestrian Overcrossing at Missouri Flat Road**

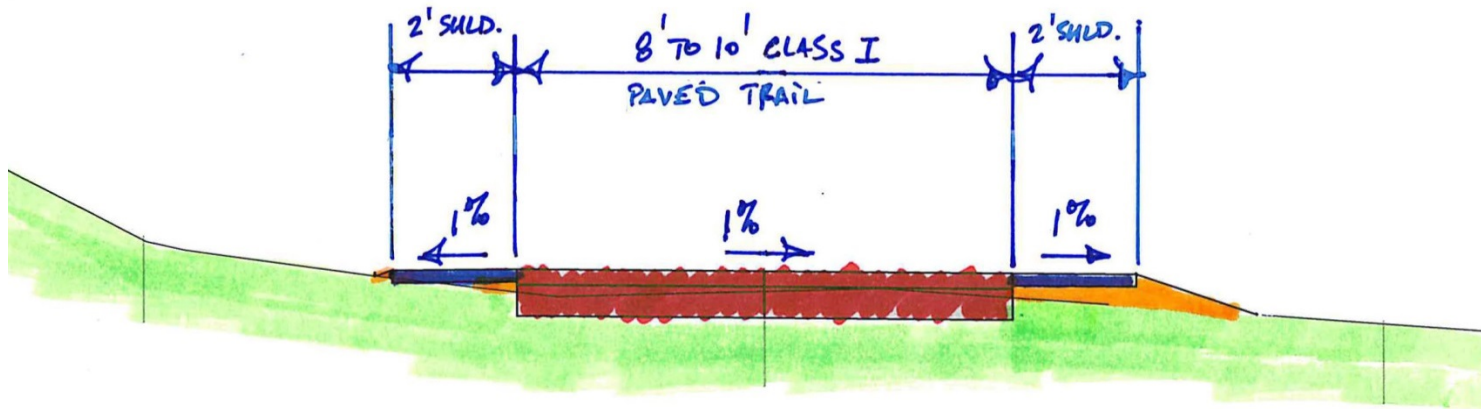


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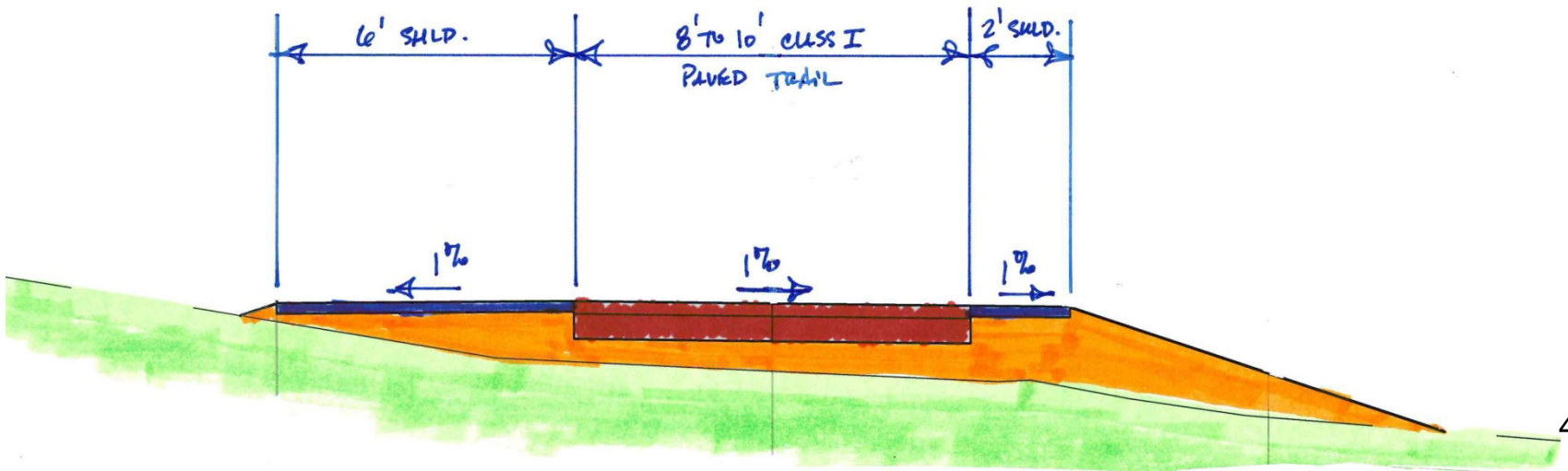
- **Bike Path: Approximately 8 to 10 feet wide (paved) with 2 to 6 foot shoulders (unpaved)**
- **Total Project Length: Approximately 2.5 miles**
- **All Improvements within SPTC JPA Corridor as part of the El Dorado Trail**
- **Funding secured for Environmental & Design work only through Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grants**
- **Separate Grants for Trail and Bike/Pedestrian Overcrossing Projects**

Section Views

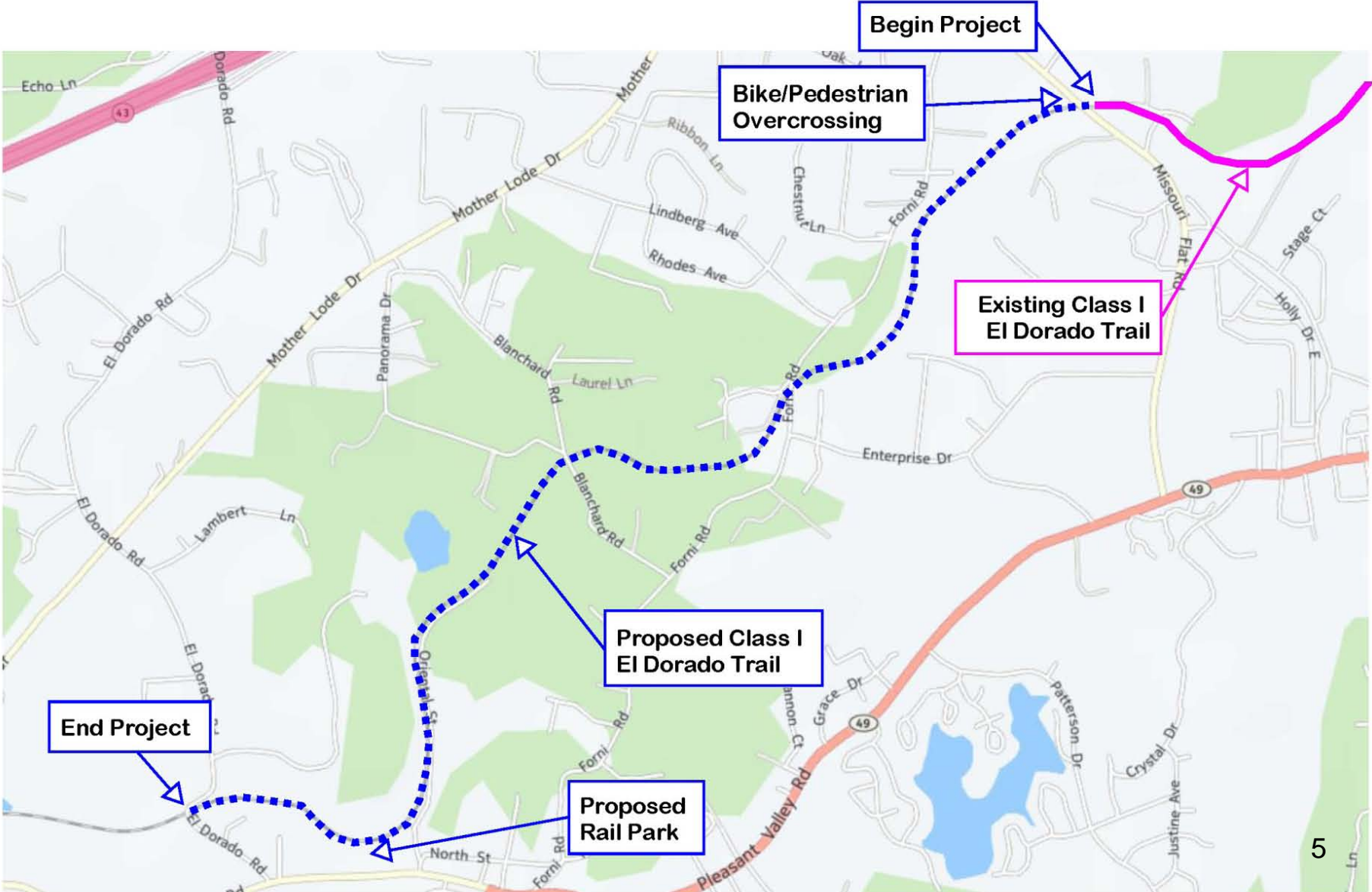
Class I Trail separated from 'Natural Trail'



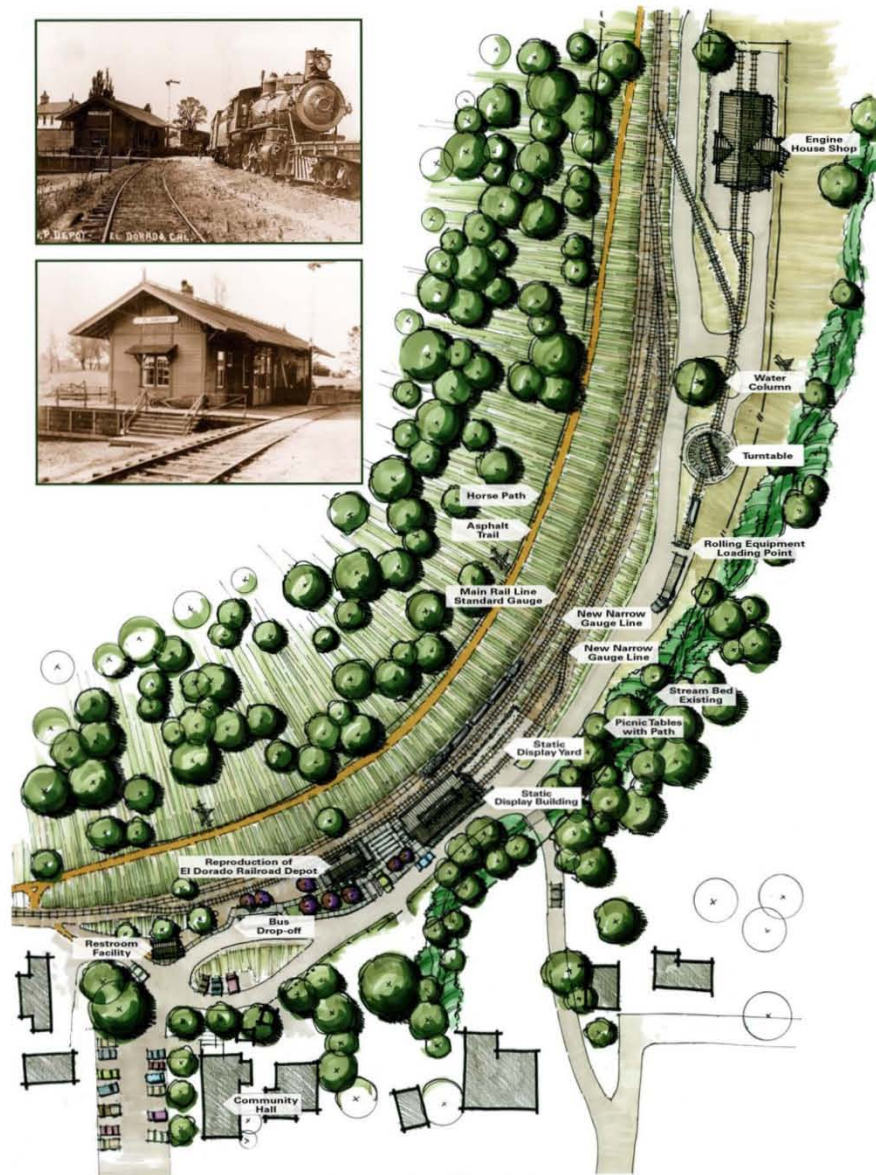
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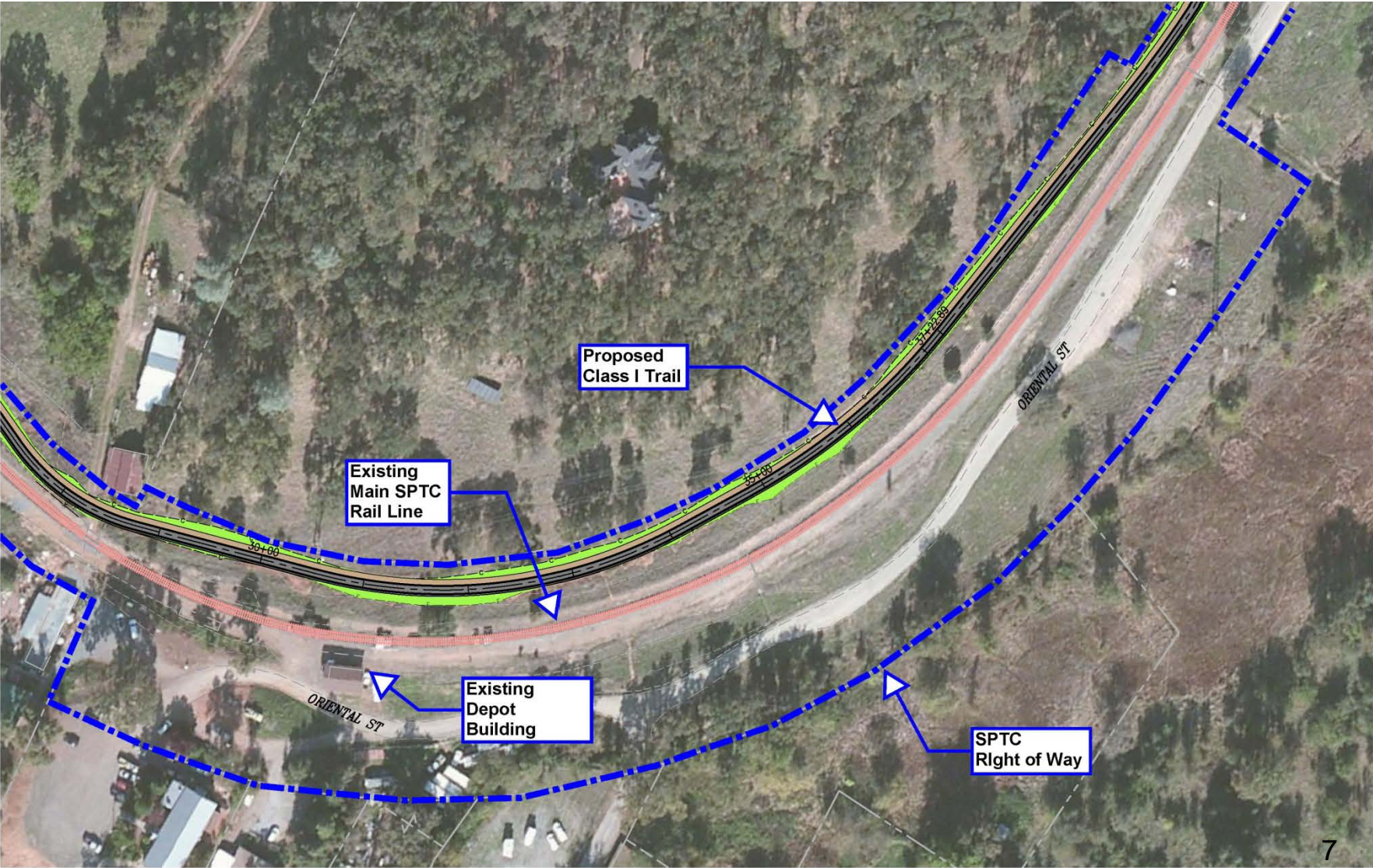
Project Map



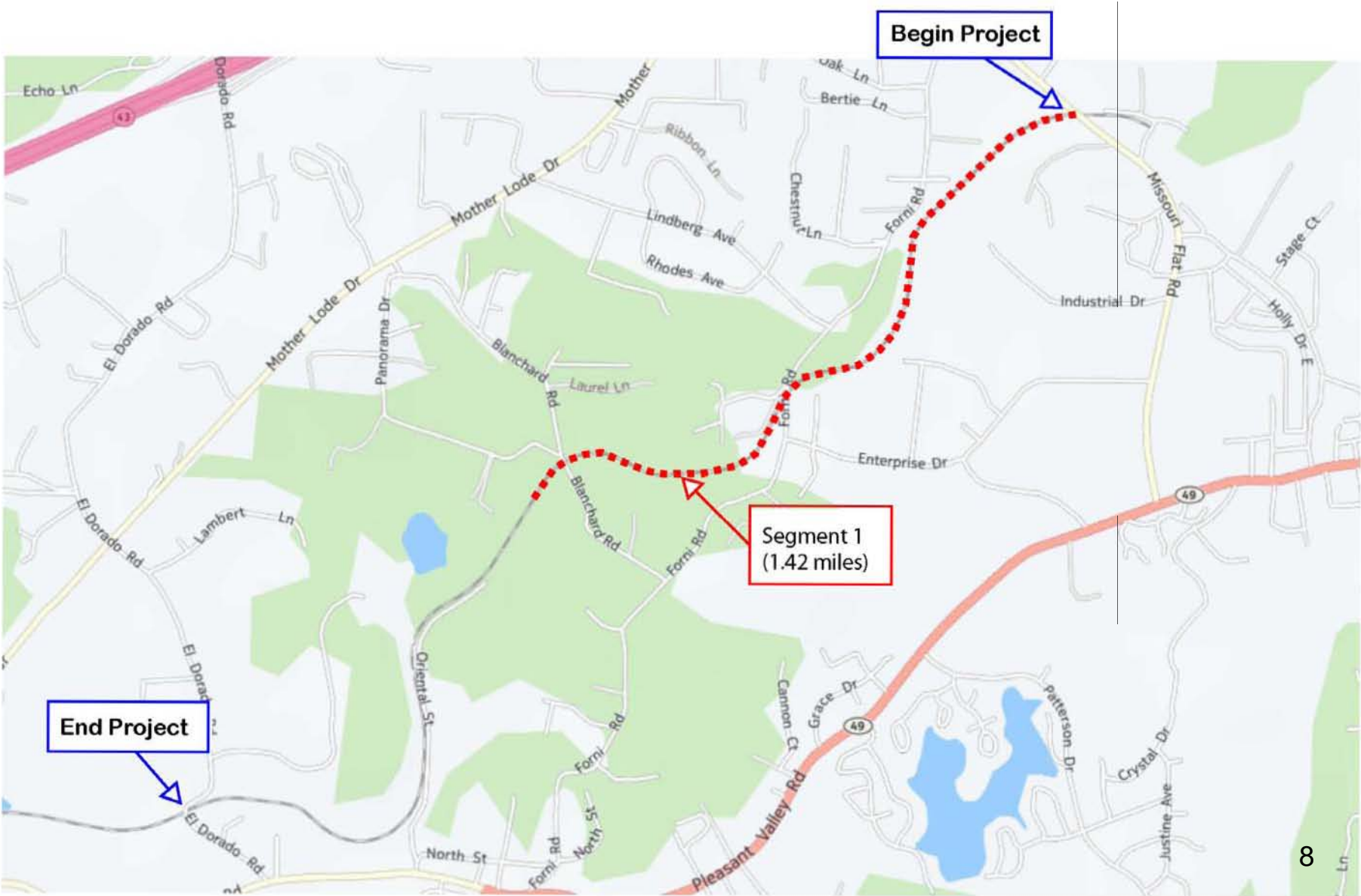
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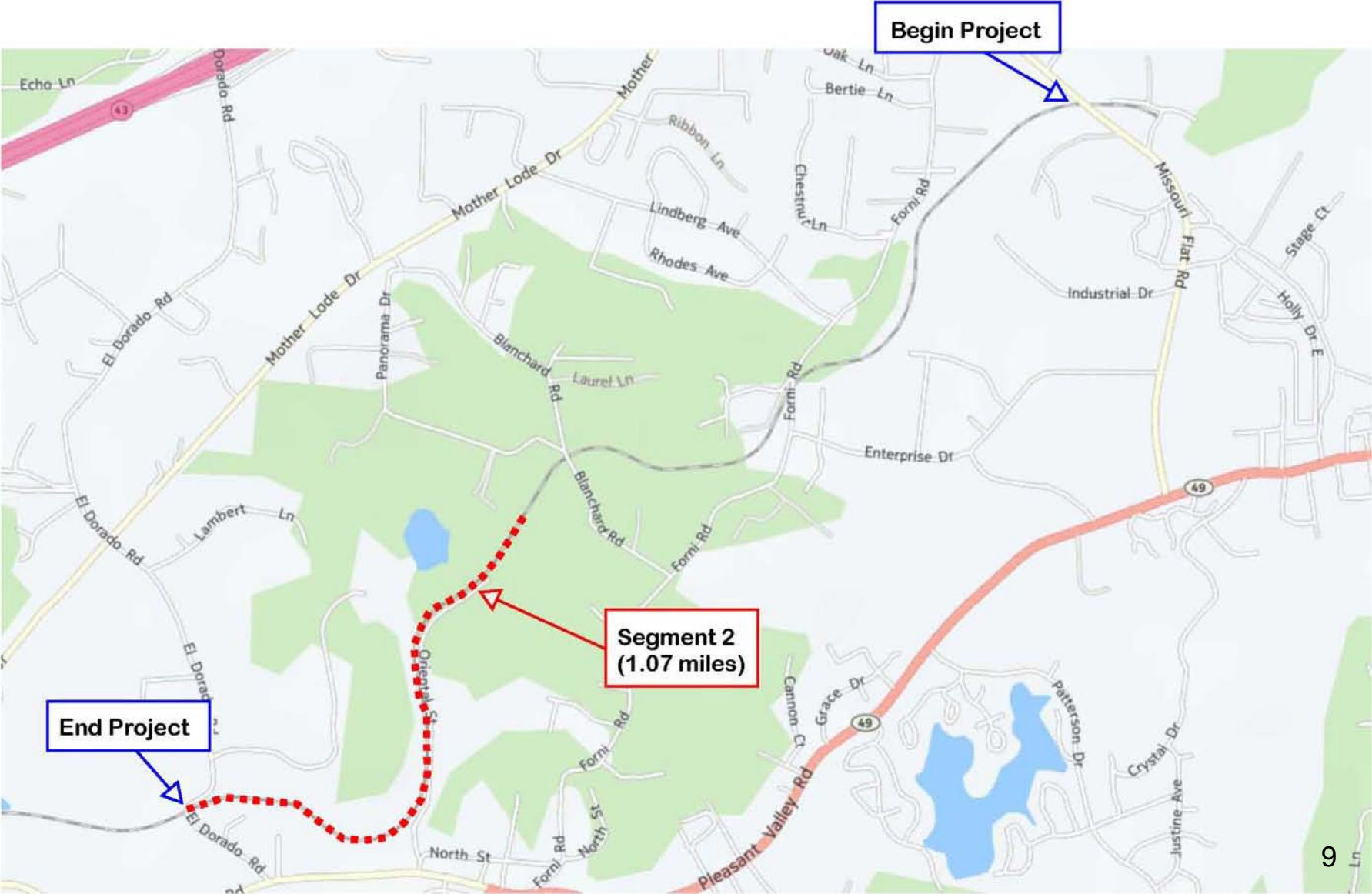
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Segment 1 Delineation



Segment 2 Delineation



Trail Alignment Concepts

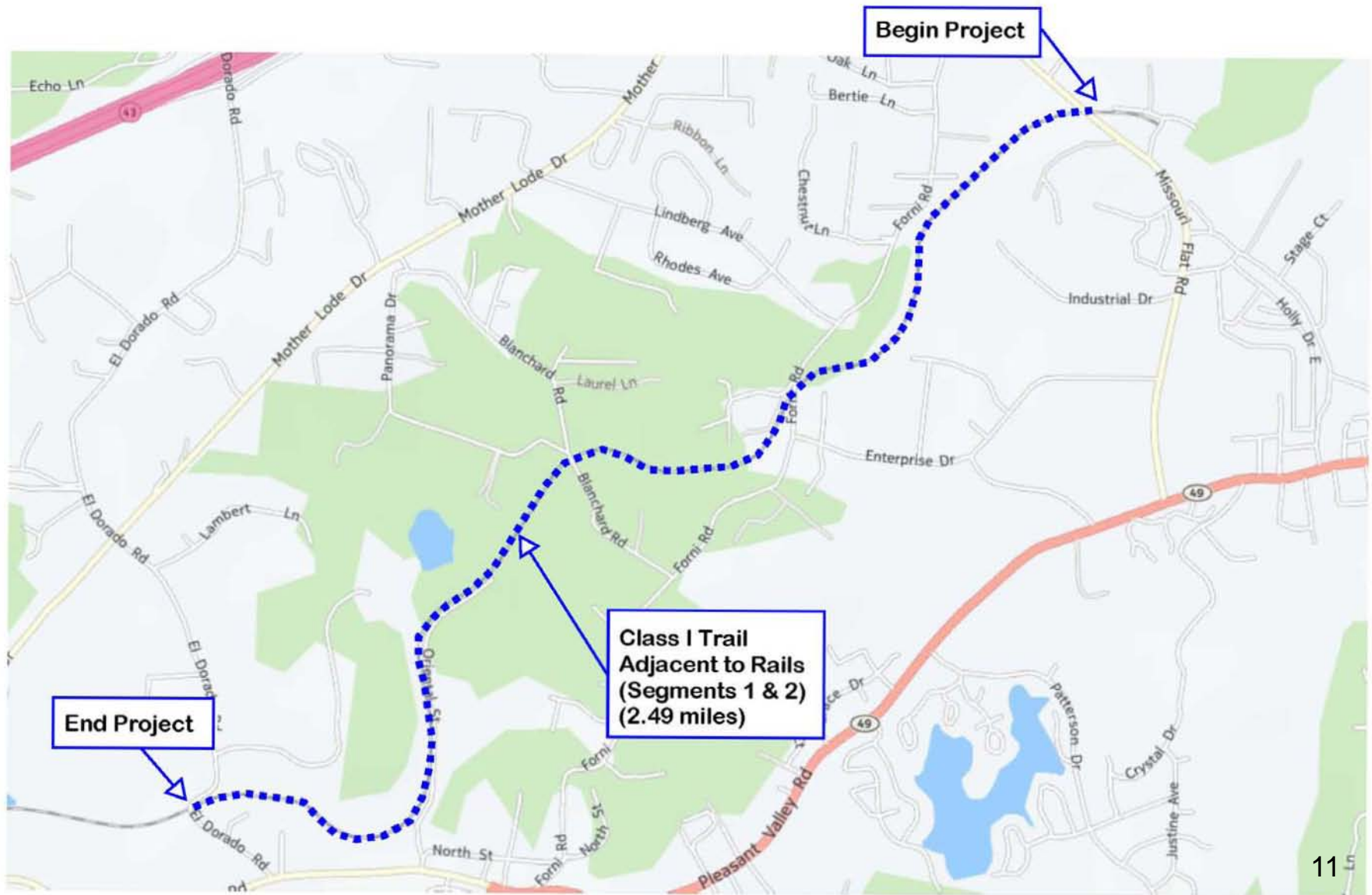
Option A

- Construct Class I Trail adjacent to rails entire length (Segments 1 & 2)
- Approximately 7 acres (cumulative) of undisturbed land impacted
- Estimated Construction Cost: \$4.5M

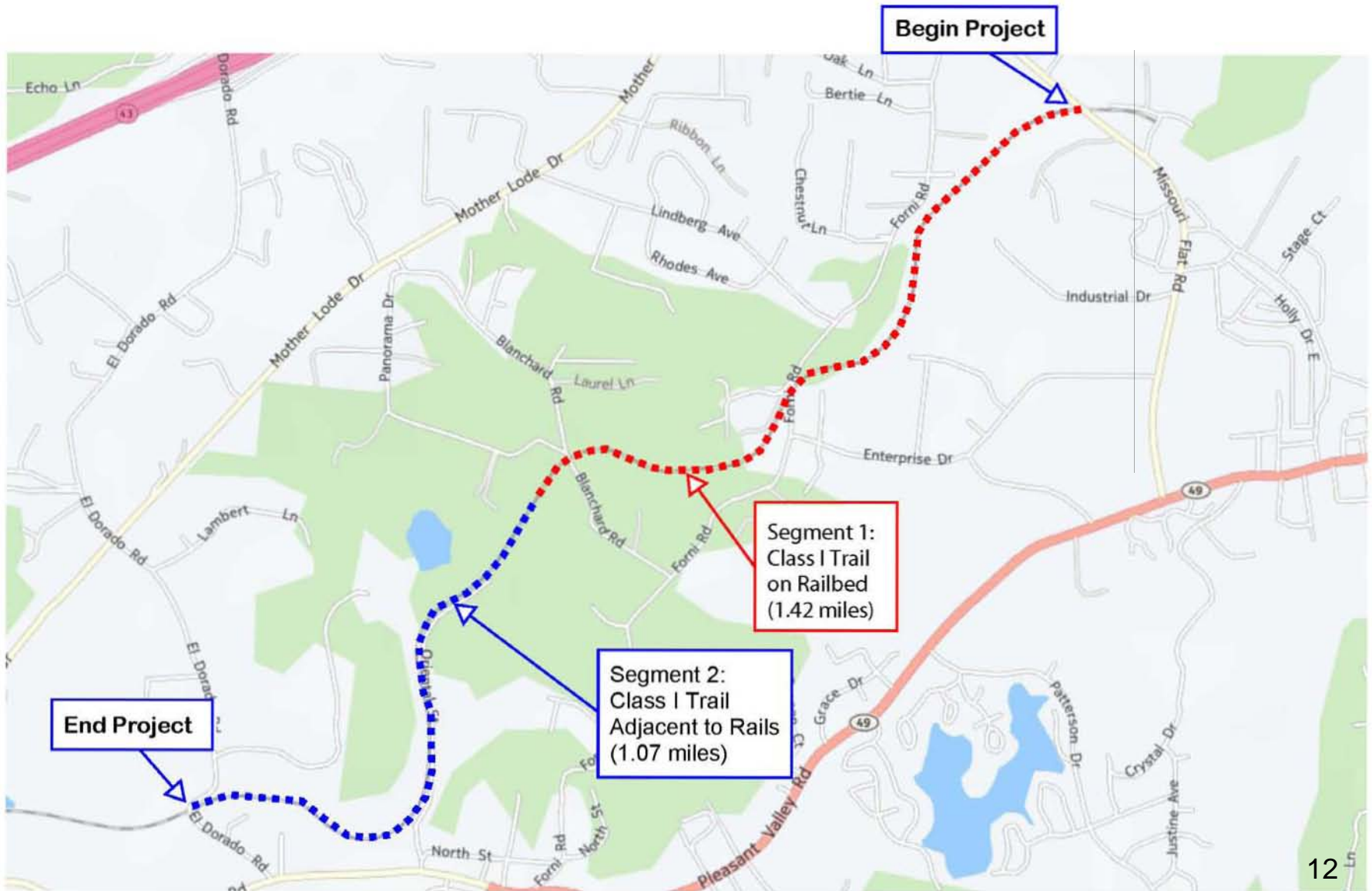
Option B

- Construct a Class I Bike Path on existing railbed for Segment 1 only, and adjacent to rails for Segment 2
- Approximately 2.5 acres (cumulative) of undisturbed land impacted
- Estimated Construction Cost: \$1.8M

Alignment Option A



Alignment Option B



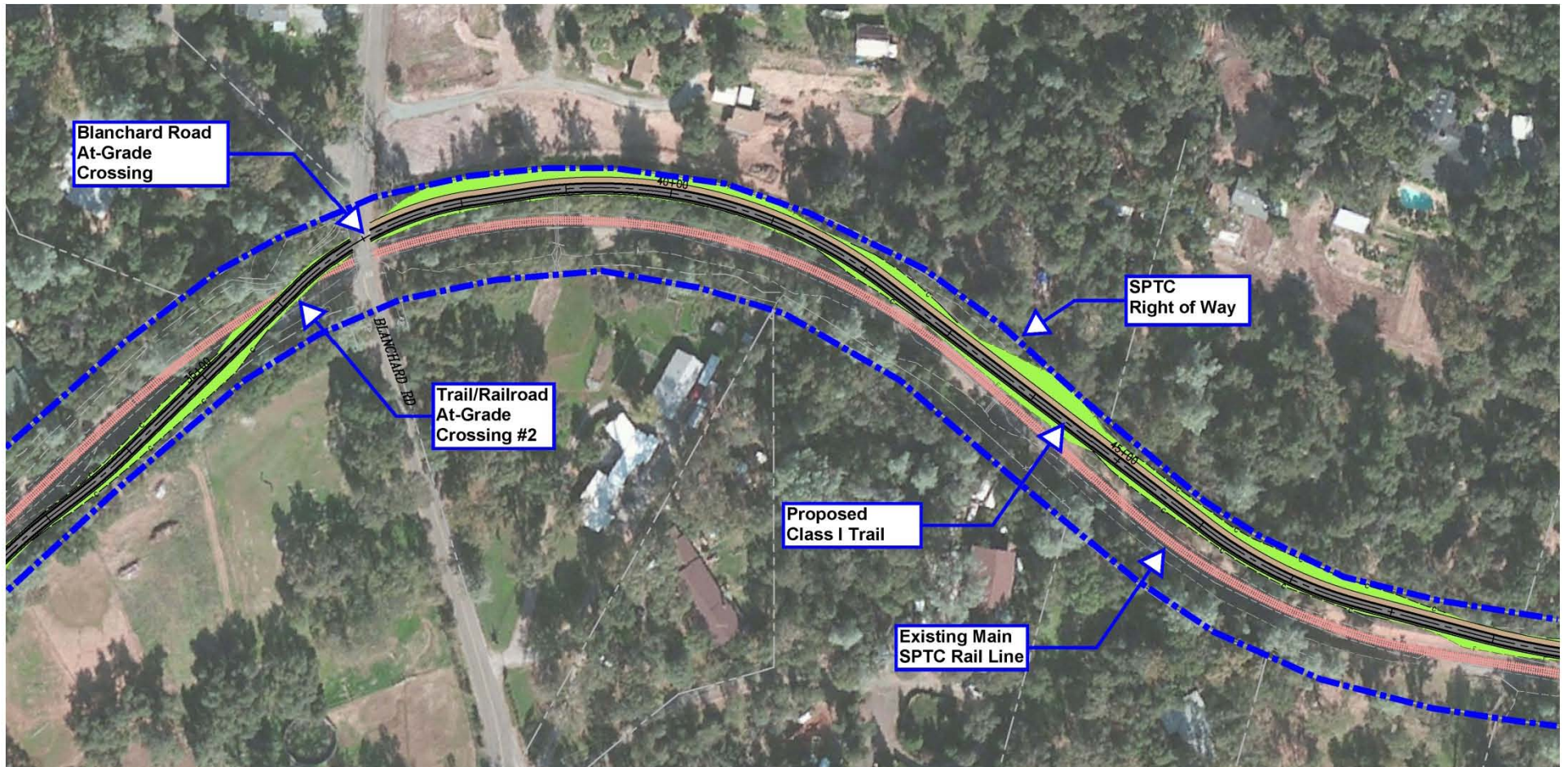
Option A Analysis

- **Preserves all 2.49 miles of rail**
- **Total of 3 Trail/Rail at-grade crossings proposed**
- **Results in larger environmental impacts (wetlands, trees)**
- **Would require additional drainage system improvements (culverts, inlets, rip rap, headwall improvements)**
- **Would be constructed adjacent to 'natural trail' for ~75% of Project length using widened unpaved shoulders**
- **Estimated Construction Cost: \$4.5M**

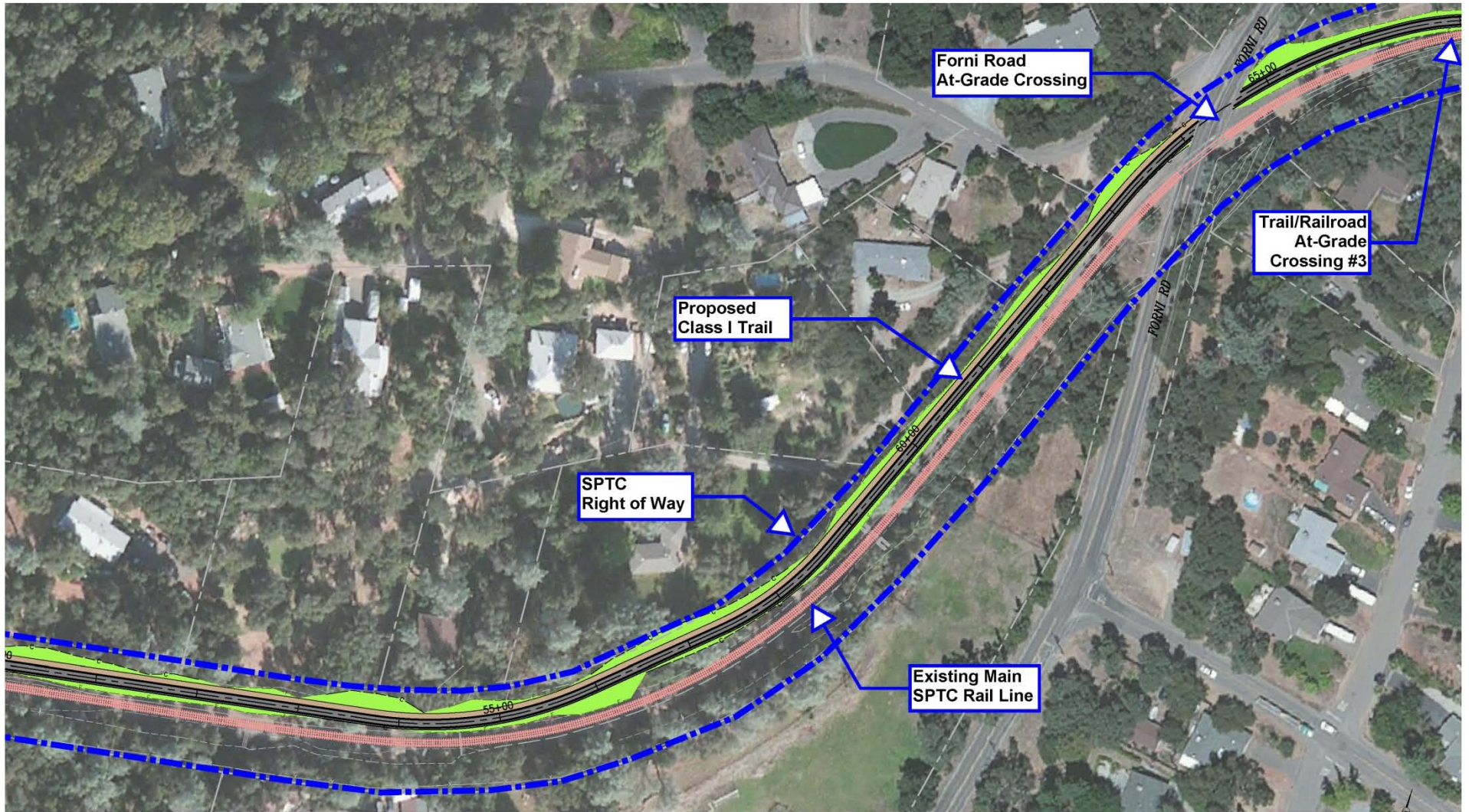
Option B Analysis

- **Removes 1.42 (of 2.49 miles) of rail**
- **Total of 1 Trail/Rail at-grade crossing proposed**
- **Results in smaller project footprint and environmental impacts**
- **Reduced need for drainage system improvements**
- **Would preserve ~70% of the existing 'natural trail' within Project area, separated from proposed Class I Trail**
- **Estimated Construction Cost: \$1.8M**

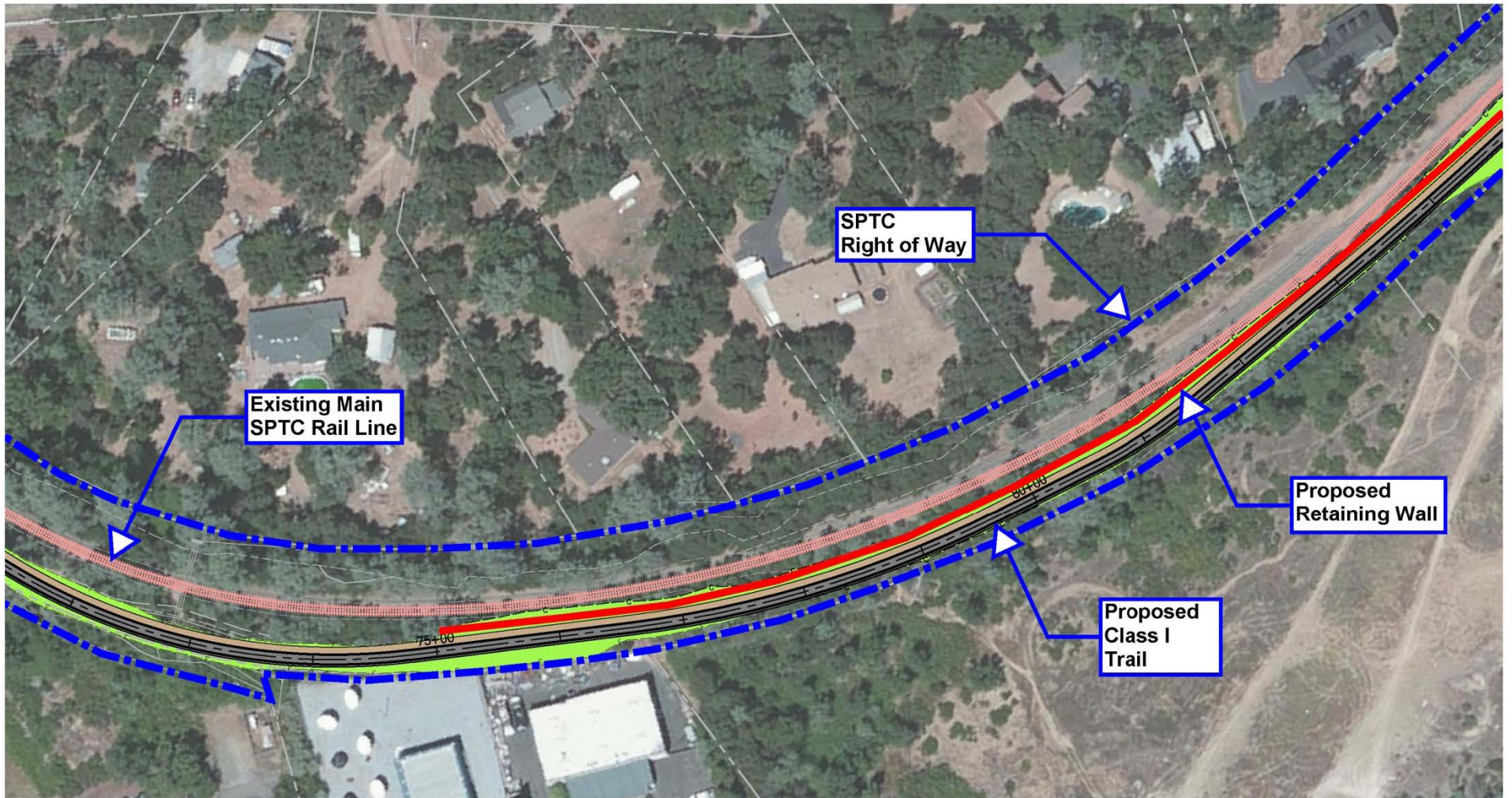
Blanchard Road Area



Forni Road Area



Merchandise Way Area



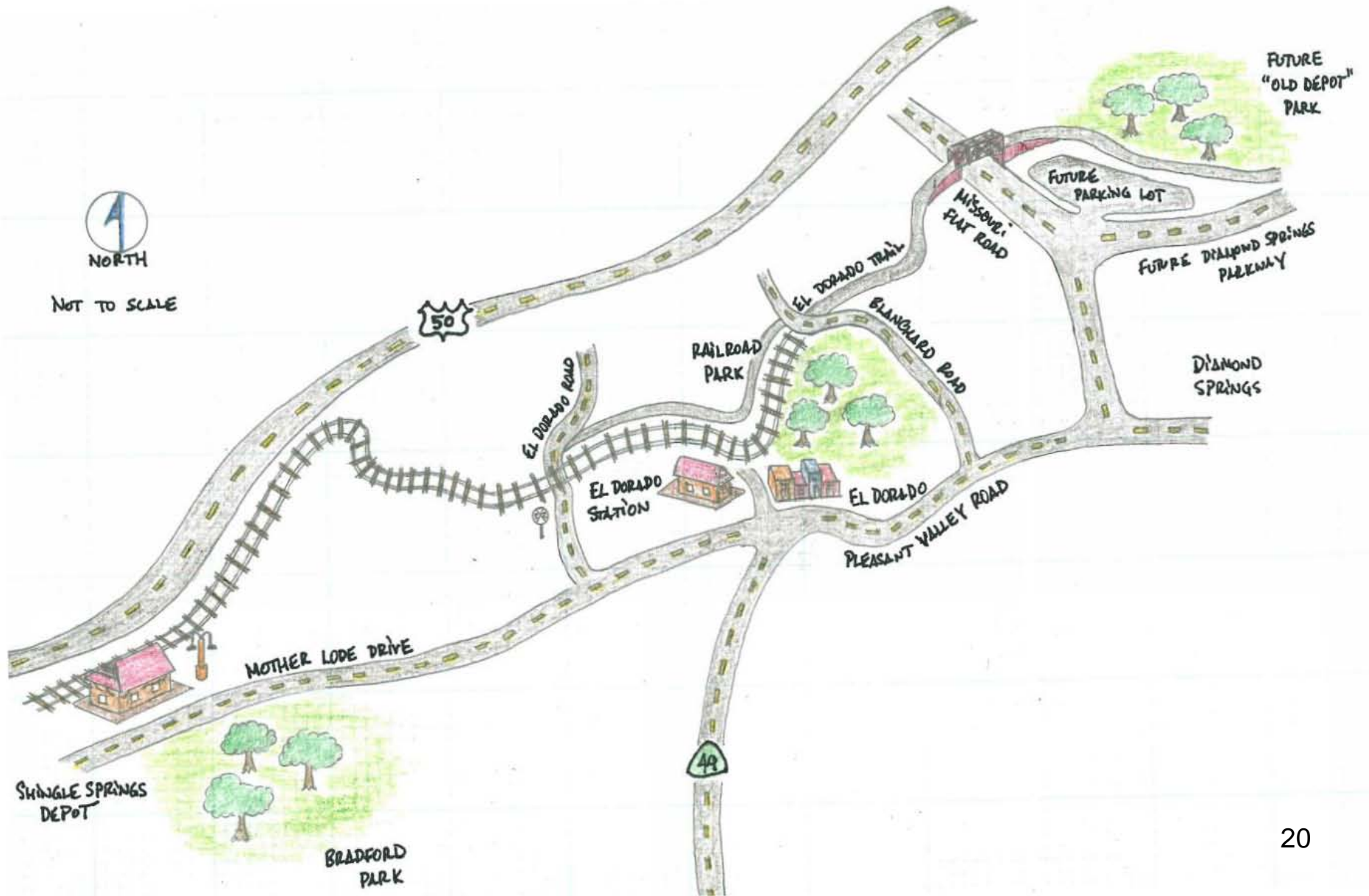
Option A Challenges



Class I with Adjacent Natural Trail



The "Big Picture"



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Questions?

