



# Blackstone River Greenway Phase 1 Segment 2 Public Information Meeting

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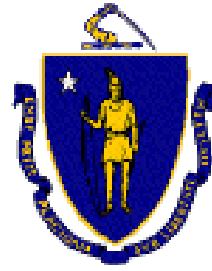
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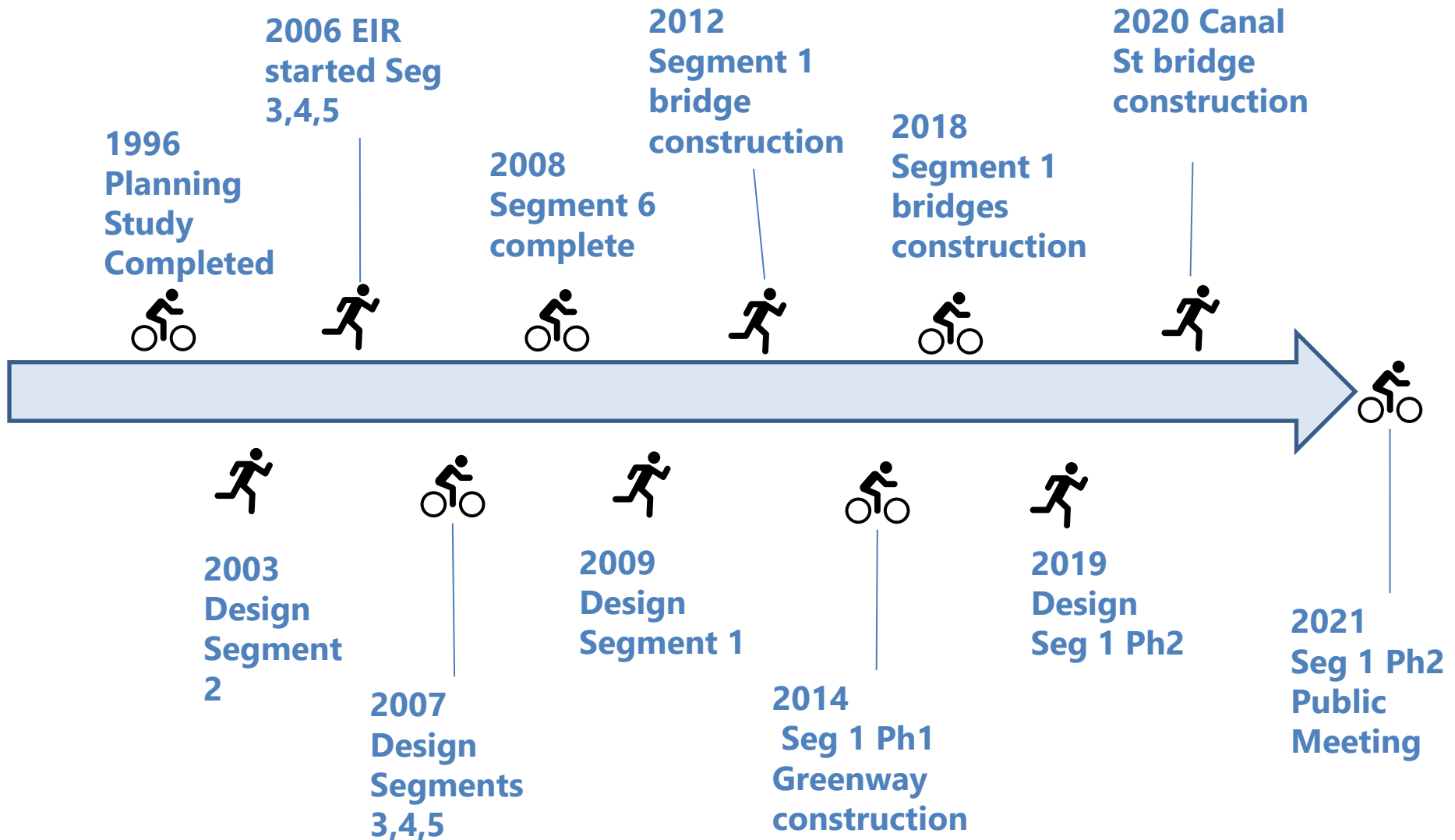
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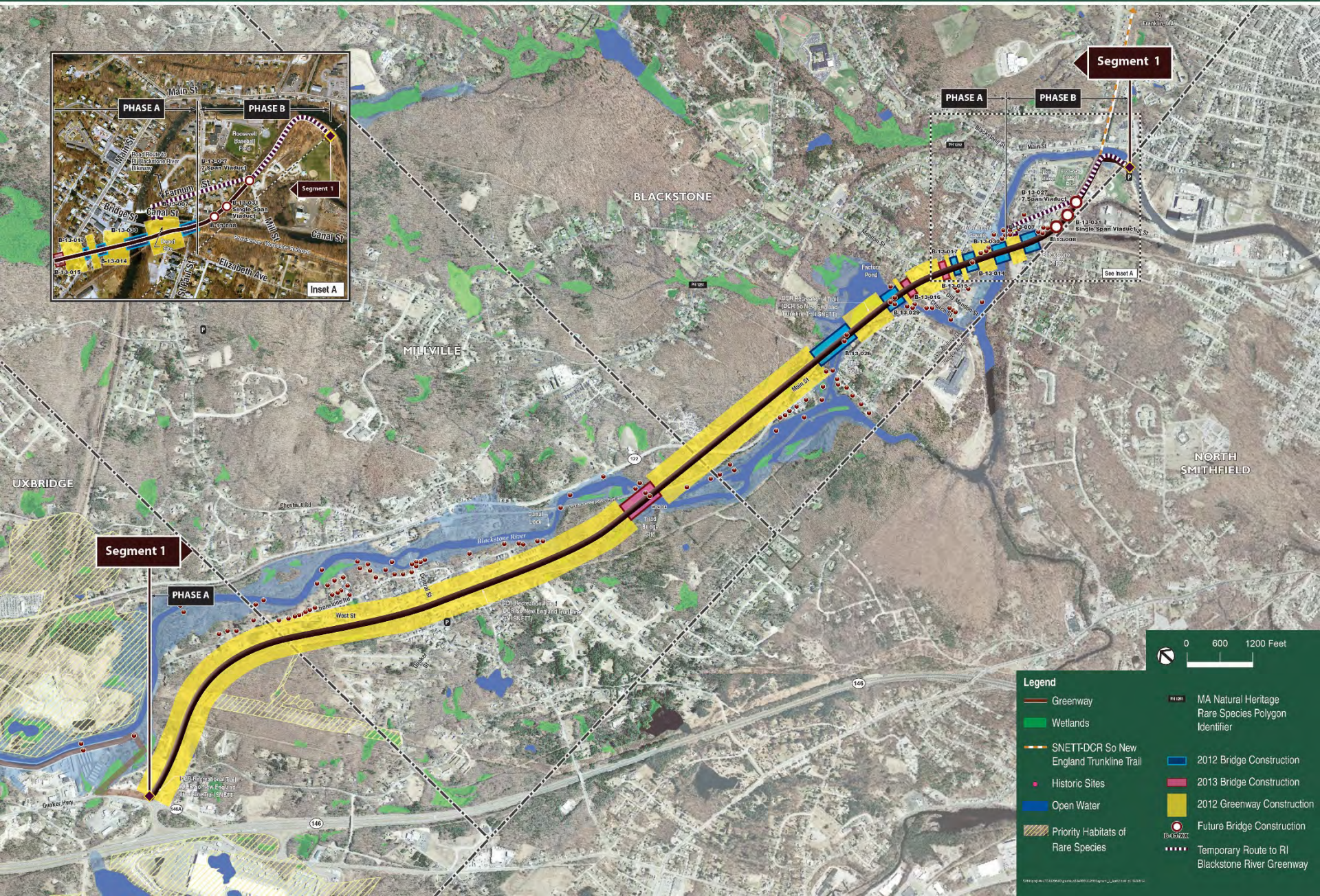


## DCR Mission Statement

To protect, promote and enhance our commonwealth of natural, cultural and recreational resources for the well-being of all

# Blackstone Greenway Timeline





- Legend**
- Greenway
  - Wetlands
  - SNETT-DCR So New England Trunkline Trail
  - Historic Sites
  - Open Water
  - Priority Habitats of Rare Species
  - MA Natural Heritage Rare Species Polygon Identifier
  - 2012 Bridge Construction
  - 2013 Bridge Construction
  - 2012 Greenway Construction
  - Future Bridge Construction
  - Temporary Route to RI Blackstone River Greenway

# Segment 1 Phase 1



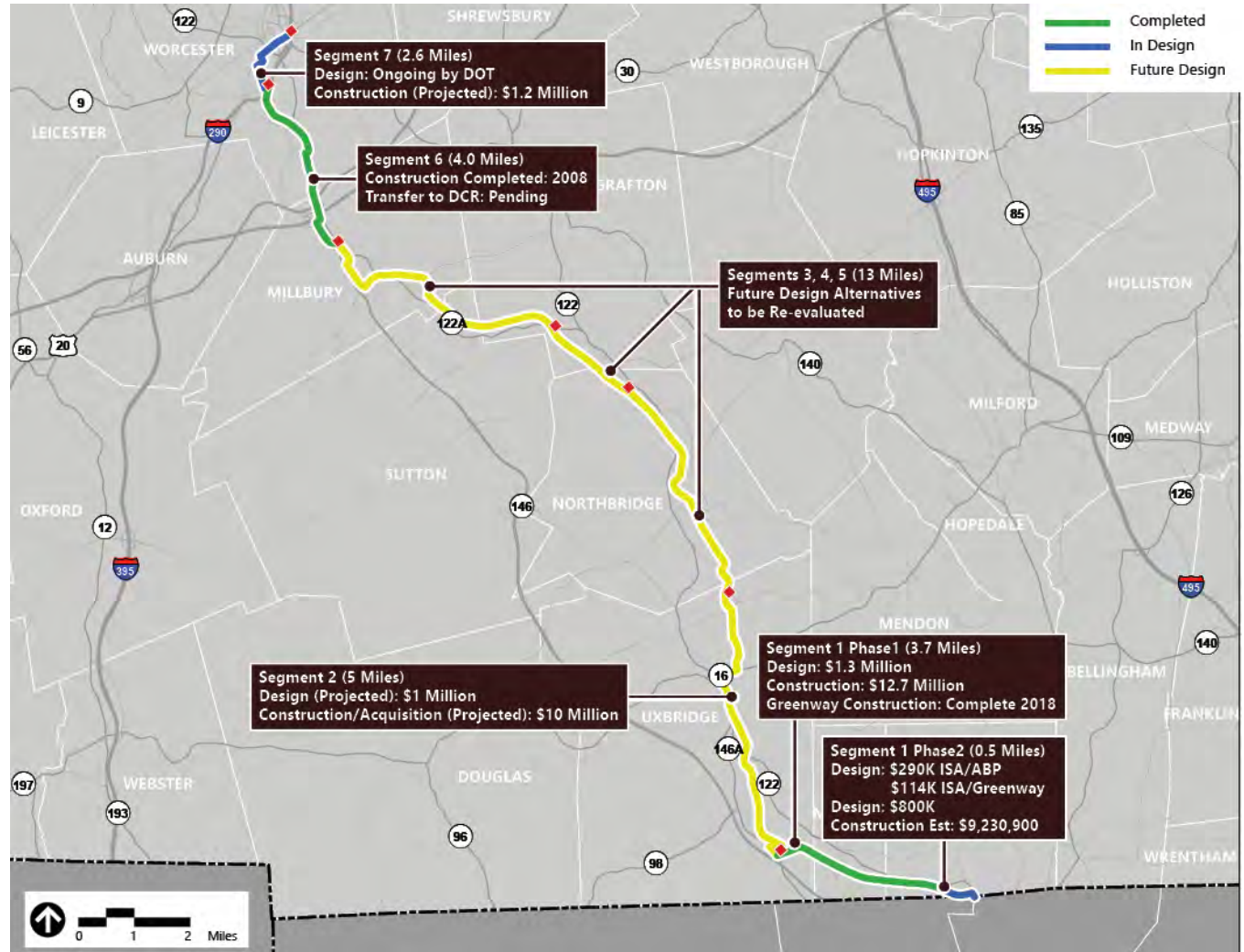






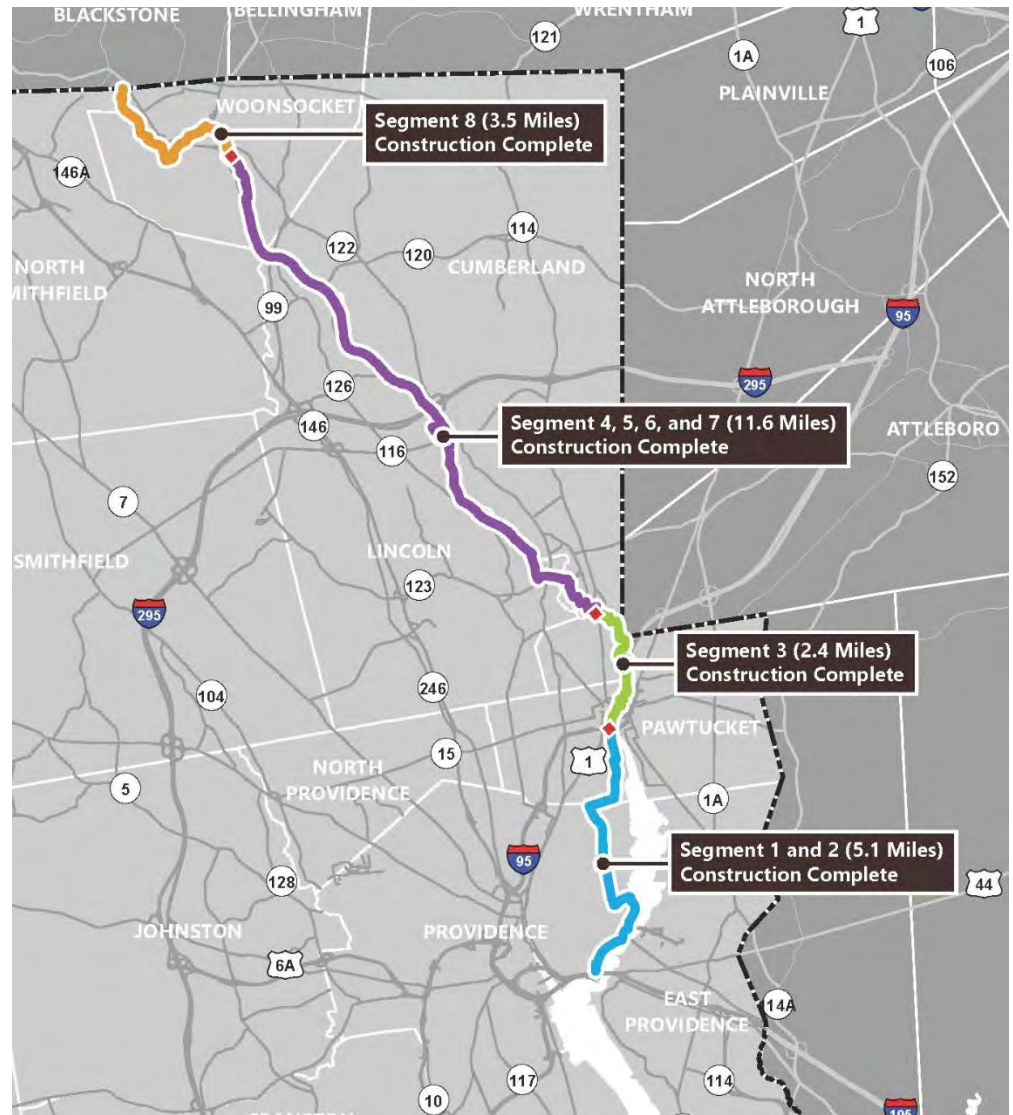
# Blackstone River Greenway Section 1-7

10.3 miles built



# Blackstone River Bikeway Rhode Island Section

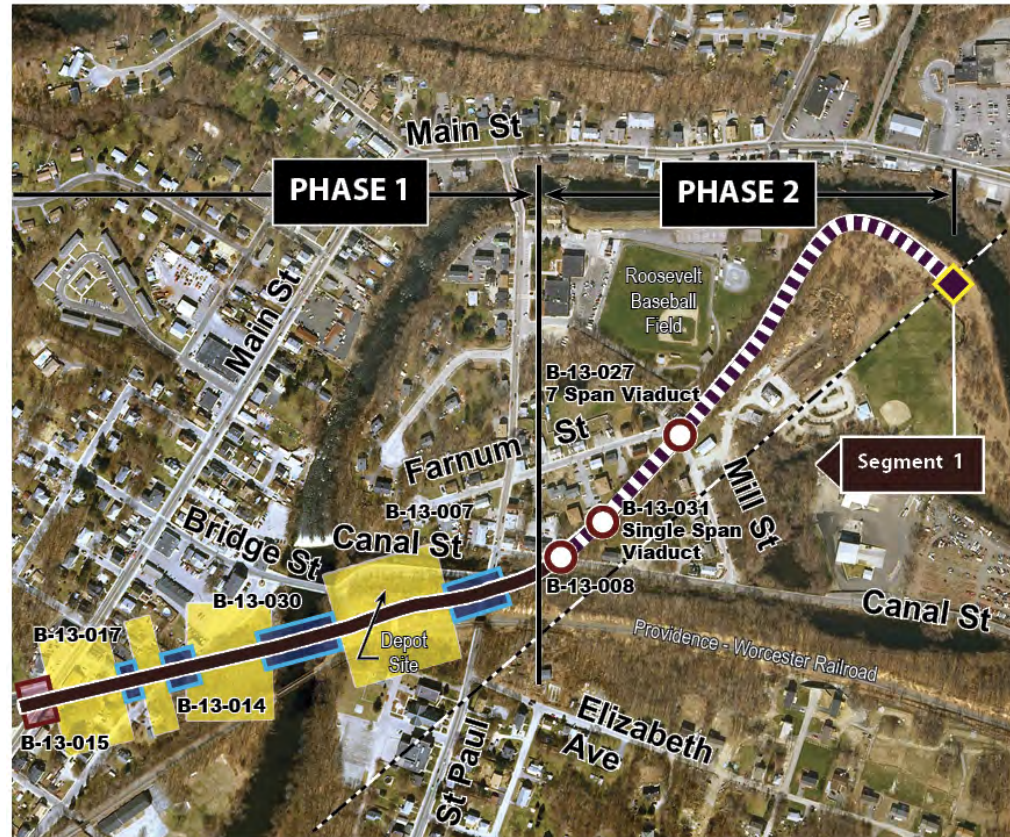
20.6 miles from  
Providence to state line



# Segment 1 Phase 2

From the Rhode Island State line to Rte 146A in Uxbridge, for a total length of 4.2 miles

- Phase 1: 3.7 miles (St. Paul Street to Rte 146A)
- **Phase 2: 0.5 miles (St. Paul Street to state line)**



# Bridge to Rhode Island

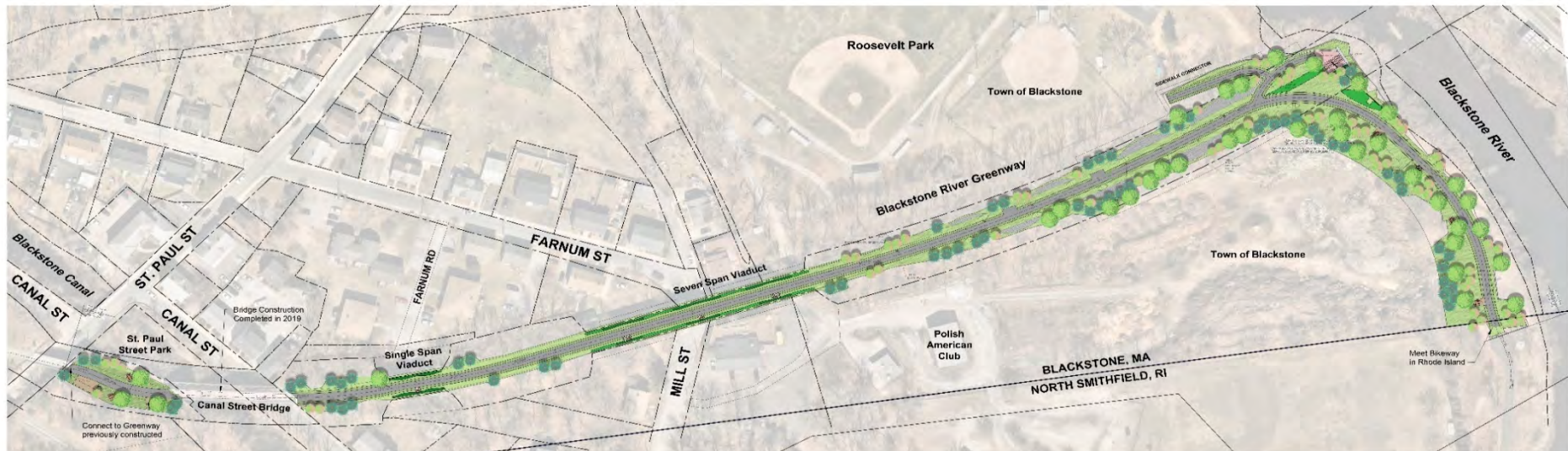


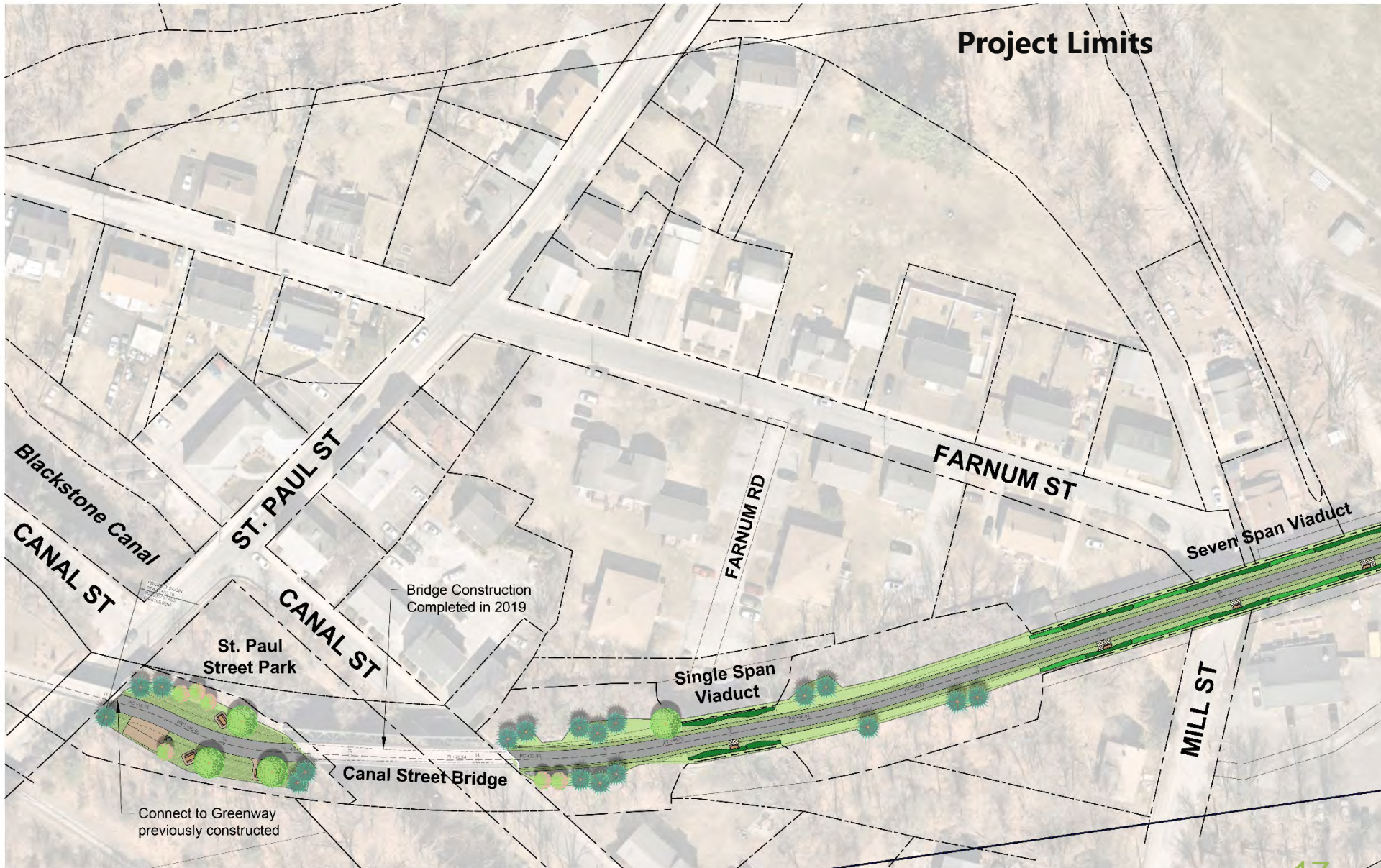
# Rhode Island State Bound

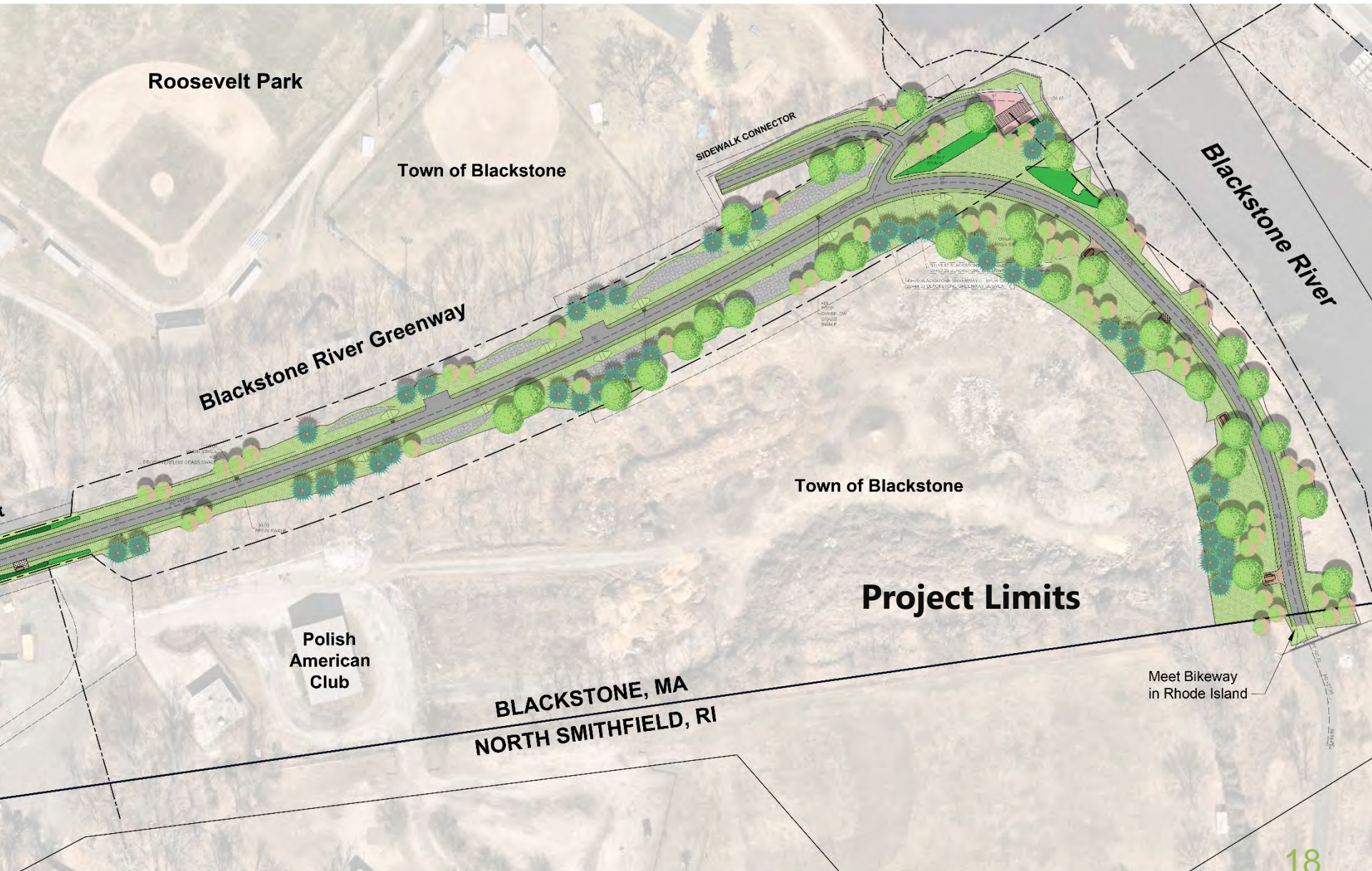


# Scope of Work

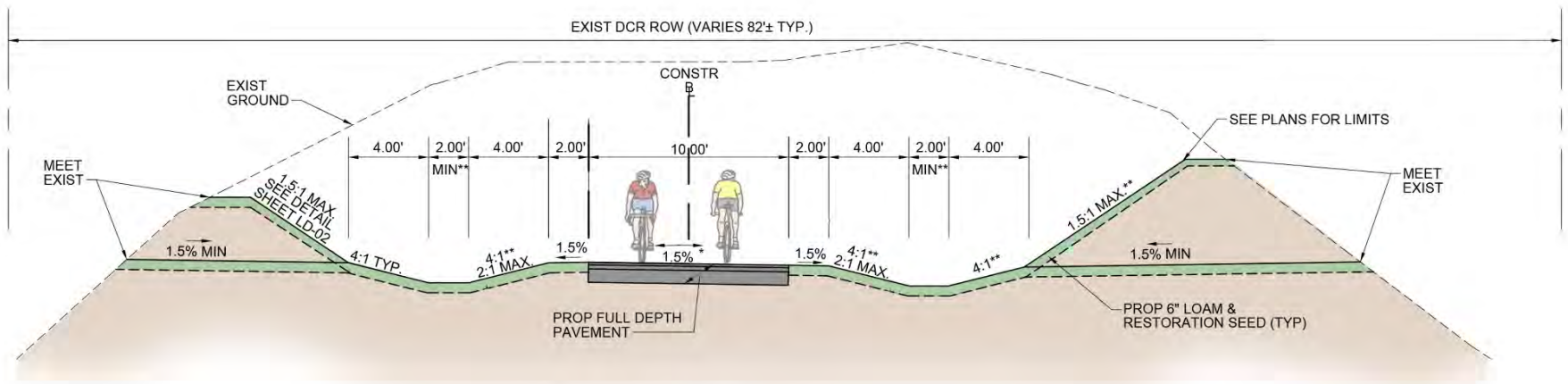
- Construction of a 10ft wide Greenway from St Paul Street overpass to Rhode Island State line
- Rehabilitation of the Single Span and Seven Span Viaducts
  - Repairing structure
  - Installation of drainage system
- Improved Habitat with views of the Blackstone River





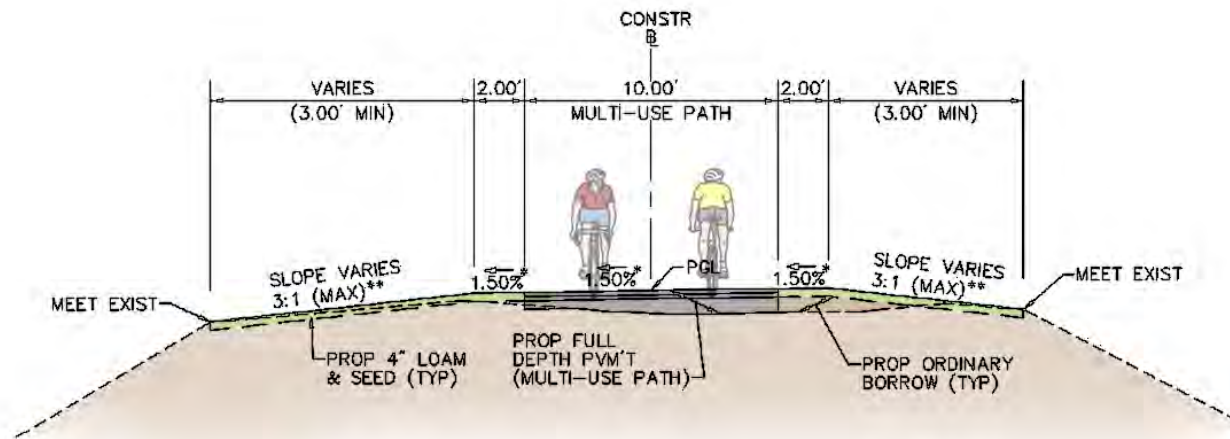


# Typical Sections - Greenway



**TYPICAL SECTION**  
STA 21+69 +/- TO STA 34+10 +/-  
NTS

# Typical Greenway Cross Sections



# Single Span Viaduct rehabilitation



## Seven Span Viaduct rehabilitation



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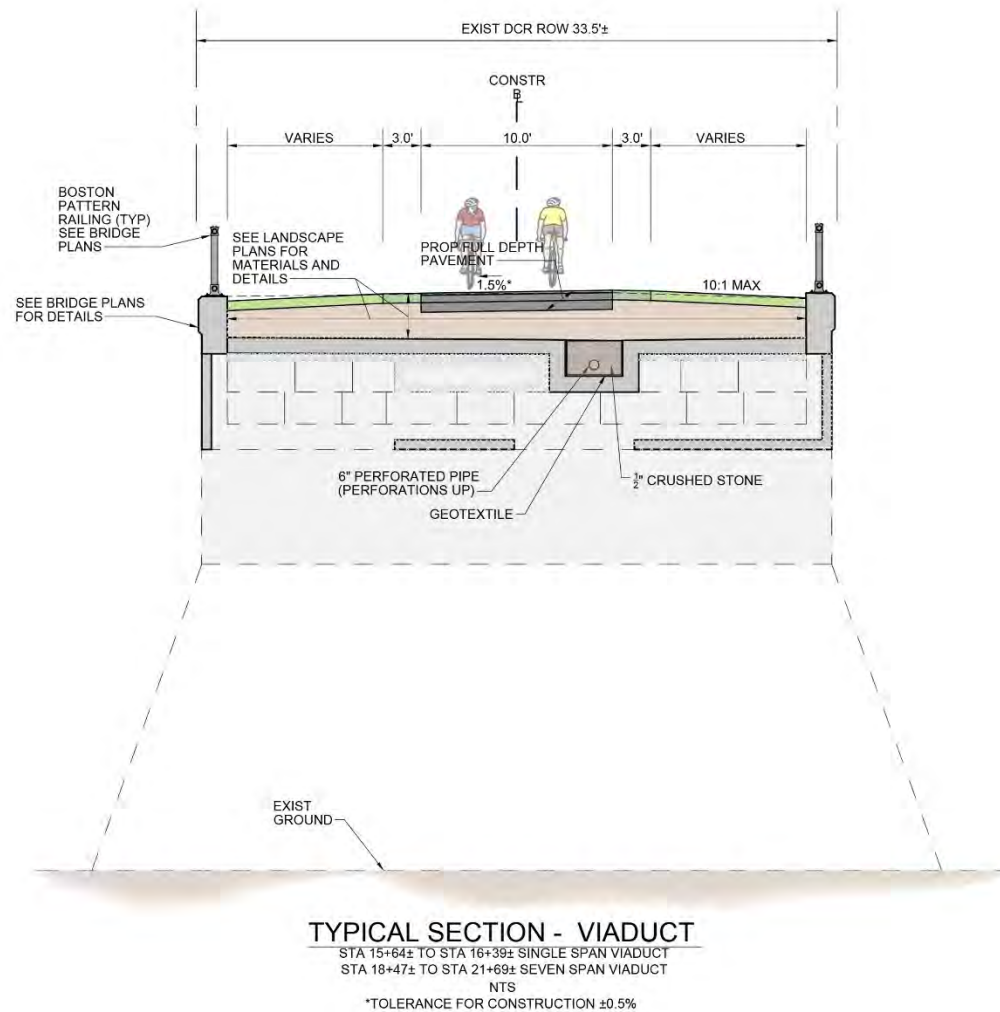
# Viaduct over Mill Street



# Seven Span Viaduct rehabilitation

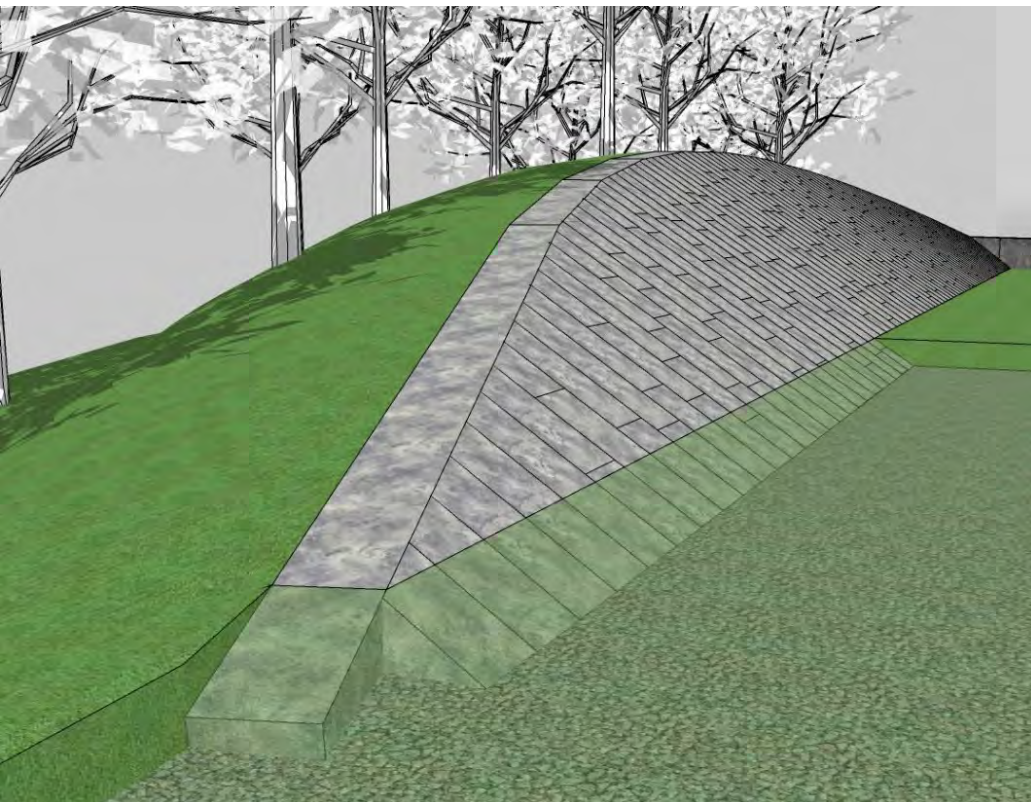


# Typical Sections - Viaducts

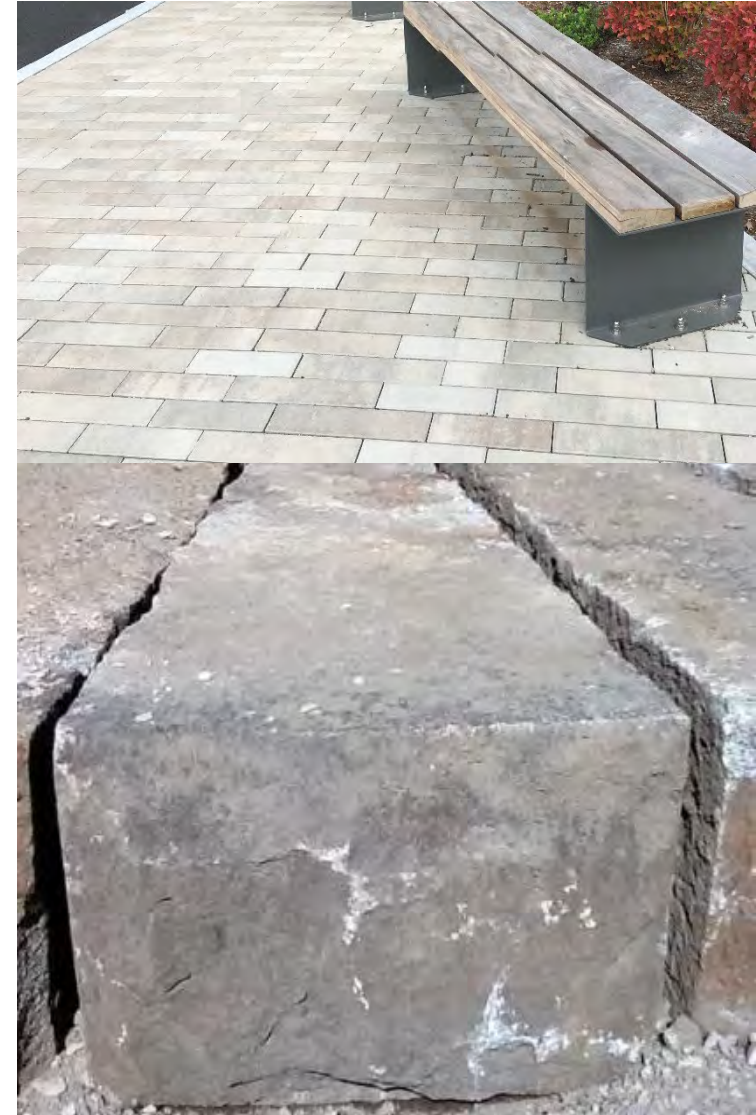




# Cut Sloped Stone Embankment



# Blackstone River Overlook



# Native Plant Palette



*Acer rubrum*  
Red Maple



*Betula nigra*  
River Birch



*Nyssa sylvatica*  
Black Tupelo



*Ostrya virginiana*  
Hop Hornbeam



*Quercus alba*  
White Oak



*Pinus strobus*  
Eastern White Pine



*Azalea canadense*  
Rosebay Rhododendron



*Comptonia peregrina*  
Sweetfern



*Myrica gale*  
Sweetgale



*Sporobolus heterolepis*  
Prairie Dropseed



*Viburnum dentatum*  
Arrowwood Viburnum

## Project Status

- Final Design - complete
- Environmental Permitting
  - Order of Conditions issued
- Right of Way
  - Temporary Easements needed for Viaduct
  - Permanent Easement from Town secured

Current construction costs -  
\$9,230,900



## Additional Information

- Recording and tonight's slide deck will be available at:
  - [www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings)

- If you have comments on this project:
  - *Submit online:* [www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment)
  - *Deadline: Tuesday, September 28th, 2021*

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# Questions?

