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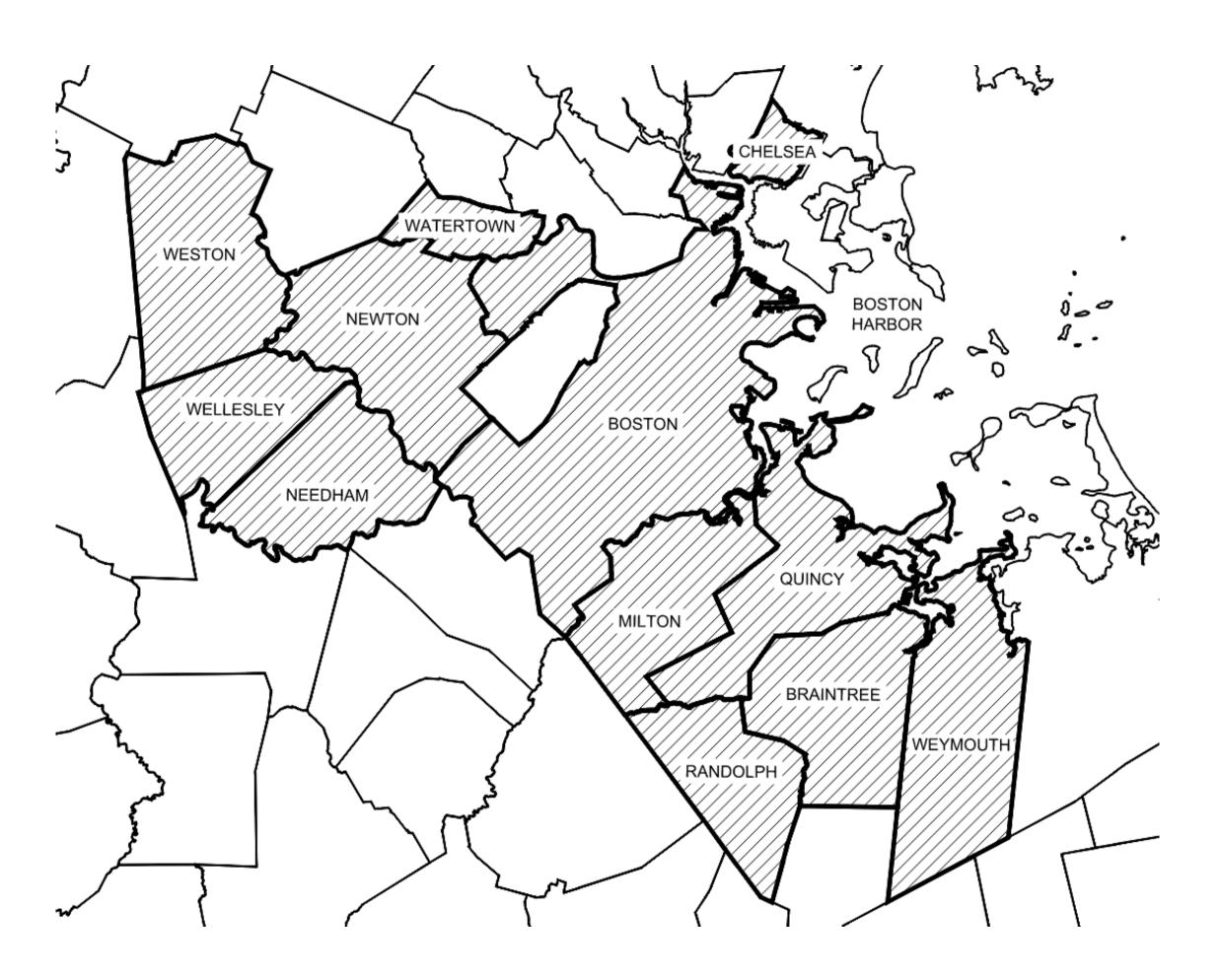
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Agenda

- **01** Panelists
- 02 Public Outreach
- 03 Purpose of Project
- **04** Proposed Improvements
- 05 Right-of-Way
- **06** Environmental Permitting
- 07 Construction Process &Construction Impacts
- **08** Next Steps
- 09 Questions & Discussion





Panelists

MassDOT

- Greg Frazier, Project Manager
- Joseph Doucette, District 6 Assistant Project Development Engineer



Mark Hicks, Right-of-Way Bureau

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- Kit McLewee, Producer and Facilitator



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Newspaper

- Boston Globe
- Patriot Ledger

MassDOT Social Media

- Facebook
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- Boston Regional Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Boston Disability Commission
- Braintree Disability Commission
- Registry of Motor Vehicles











How did we get here?

July

2015

Pedestrian Curb Ramp Field Investigation Complete **April**

2020

Design Notice to Proceed (NTP) Issued May

2021

Begin Preliminary
Design Coordination

September

2022

25% & 75% Combined Design Submittal

April

2023

Design Public Hearing





Why was this project initiated?

Project Need

Existing pedestrian curb ramps may not be ADA-compliant for one or more of the following reasons:

- Surface material condition
- Vertical alignment
- Level landing or turning space size
- Running slope or cross slope
- Missing reciprocal ramp
- Missing detectable warning panel
- Physical obstructions

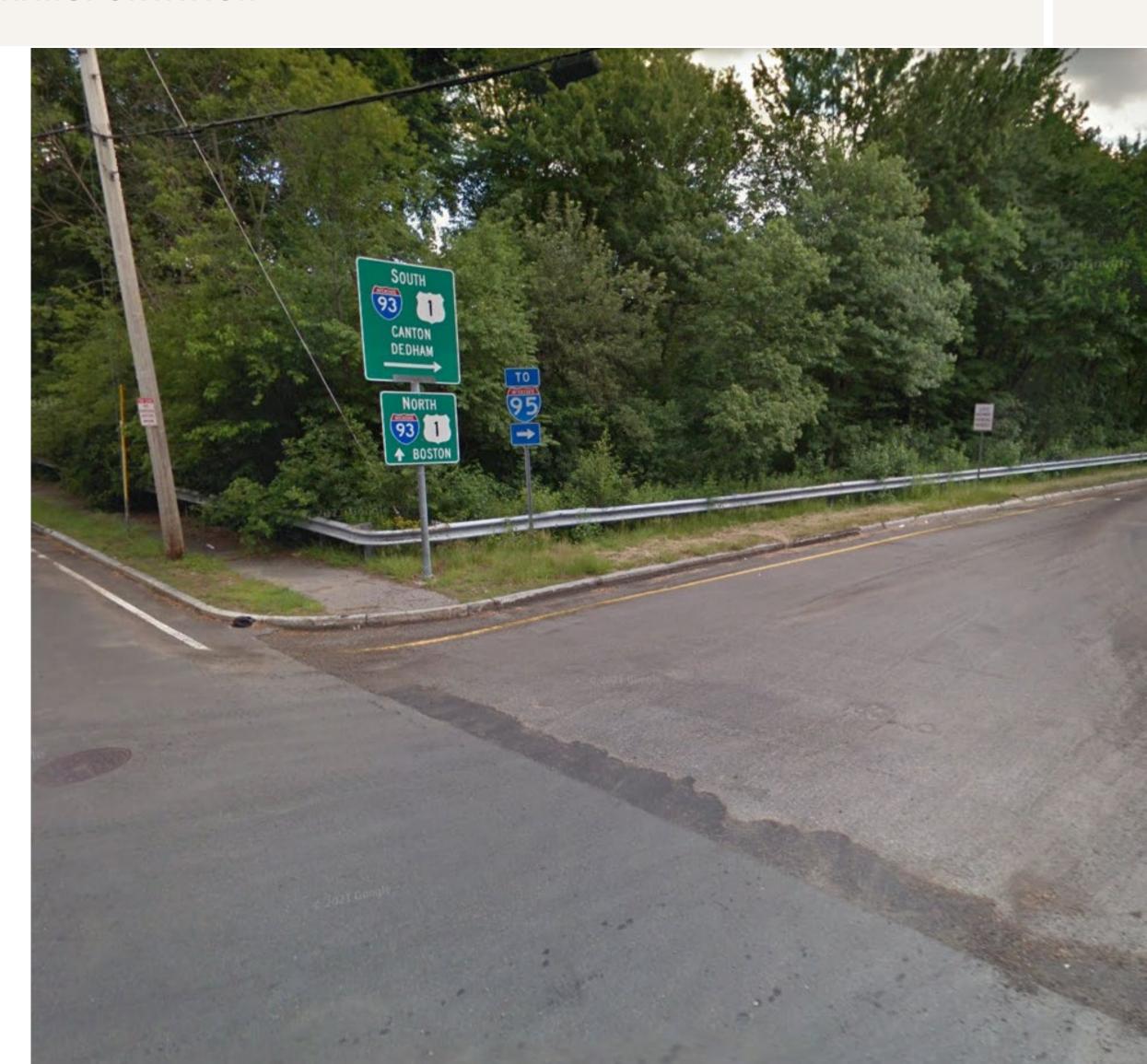




What do we want to accomplish?

Project Objectives

- Improve safety
- Improve mobility
- Remove obstructions
- Meet ADA compliance
- Minimize ROW impacts





What is the Proposed Design?

Locations by Municipality - Page 1 of 2

MUNICIPALITY	LOCATION
BOSTON	GALLIVAN BLVD (RTE 203) @ CODMAN ST
BOSTON	MORTON ST (ROUTE 203) BETWEEN WILDWOOD ST AND THEODORE ST
BRAINTREE	QUINCY AVENUE (RTE 53) @ AUDUBON AVE
BRAINTREE	GROVE ST @ HEMLOCK ST
CHELSEA	RTE 1 SOUTH OFF-RAMP @ CARTER ST
MILTON	I-93 SOUTH ON-RAMP @ BLUE HILL RIVER RD
NEEDHAM	CENTRAL AVE @ RESERVOIR ST
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST (RTE 9) @ CHESTNUT ST
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST (RTE 9) @ ROCKLAND PL
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST @ HERSEY ST
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST (RTE 9) @ WOODCLIFF RD
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST @ CLARK ST
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST (RTE 9) @ HURLEY PLACE
NEWTON	BOYLSTON ST (RTE 9) @ TOWERS OF CHESTNUT HILL DRIVEWAY

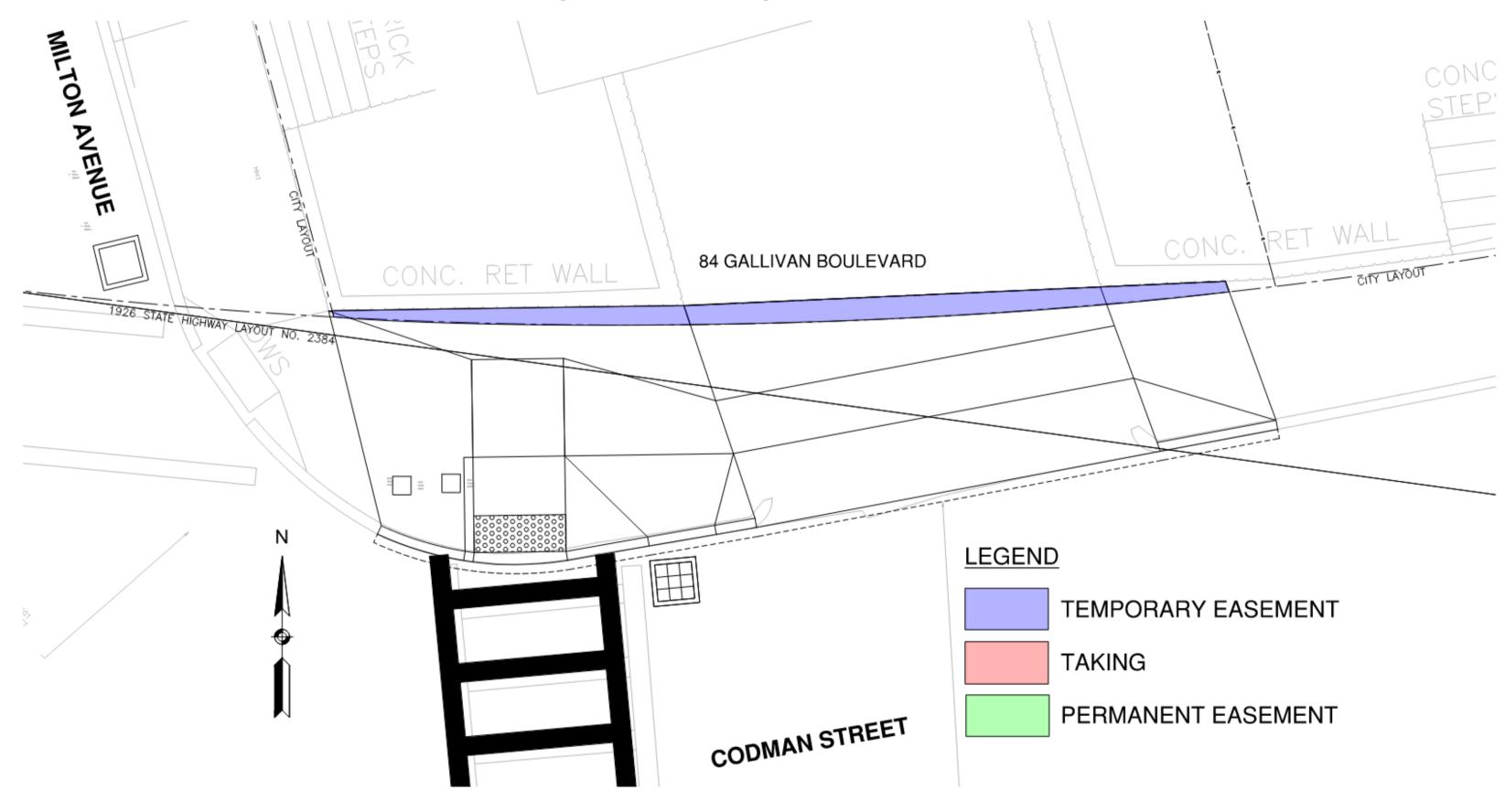


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MUNICIPALITY	LOCATION
QUINCY	WILLARD ST @ SAINT MORITZ AVE
QUINCY	WILLARD ST @ THISTLE RD
RANDOLPH	SOUTH MAIN ST (RTE 28) @ VAN BEAL RD
WATERTOWN	MAIN ST @ BACON ST
WATERTOWN	MAIN ST @ FRENCH ST
WELLESLEY	WORCESTER ST (RTE 9) @ OVERBROOK DR
WELLESLEY	WORCESTER ST (RTE 9) @ WESTON RD
WELLESLEY	WORCESTER ST (RTE 9) @ SERVICE RD
WESTON	STATE RD BYPASS (RTE 20) @ SCHOOL ST
WEYMOUTH	SUMMER STREET @ POND MEADOW PARK PARKING LOT
WEYMOUTH	WASHINGTON ST (ROUTE 53) @ LAKEHURST AVE
WEYMOUTH	WASHINGTON ST (ROUTE 53) @ HADLEY ST

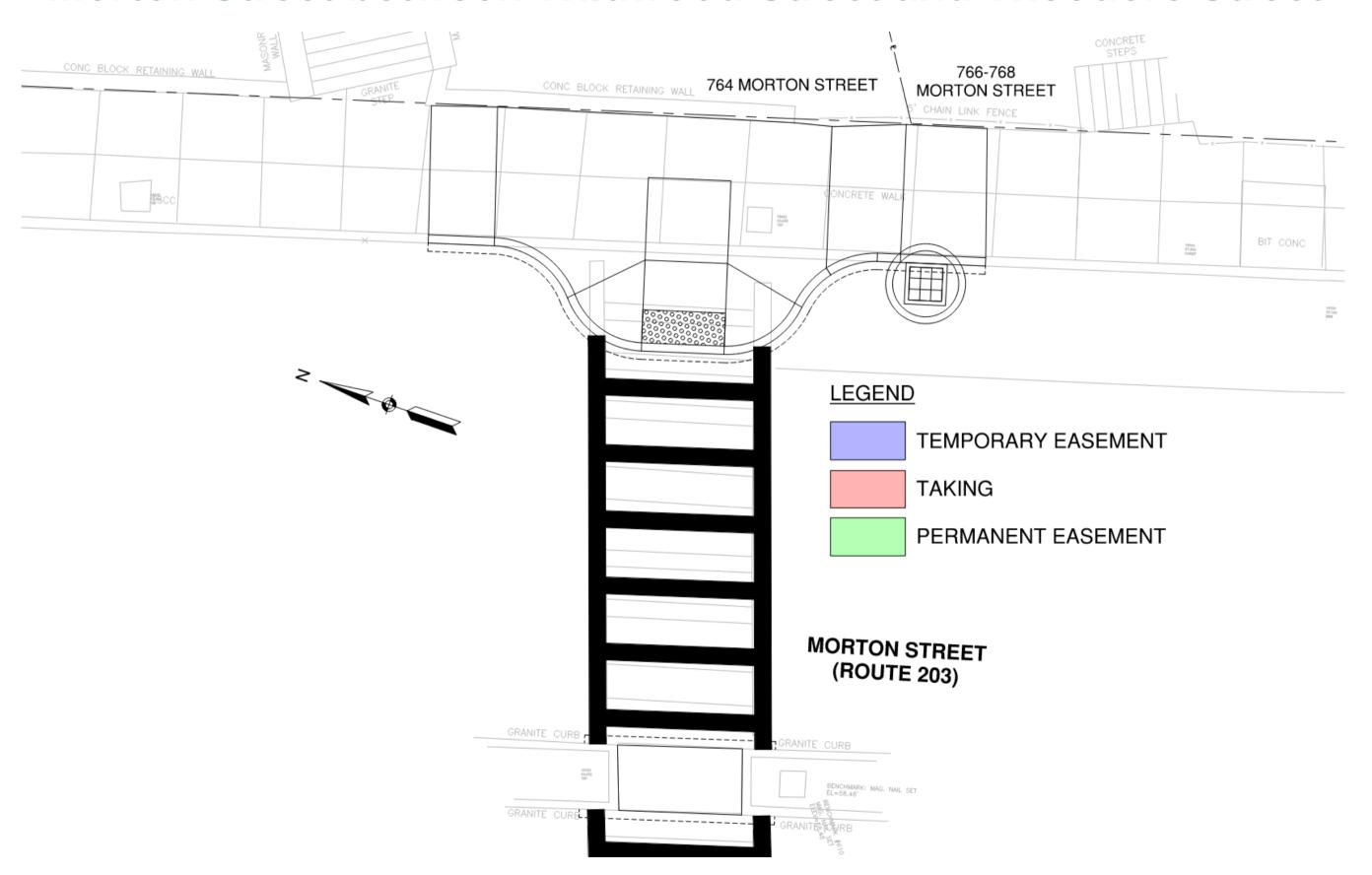


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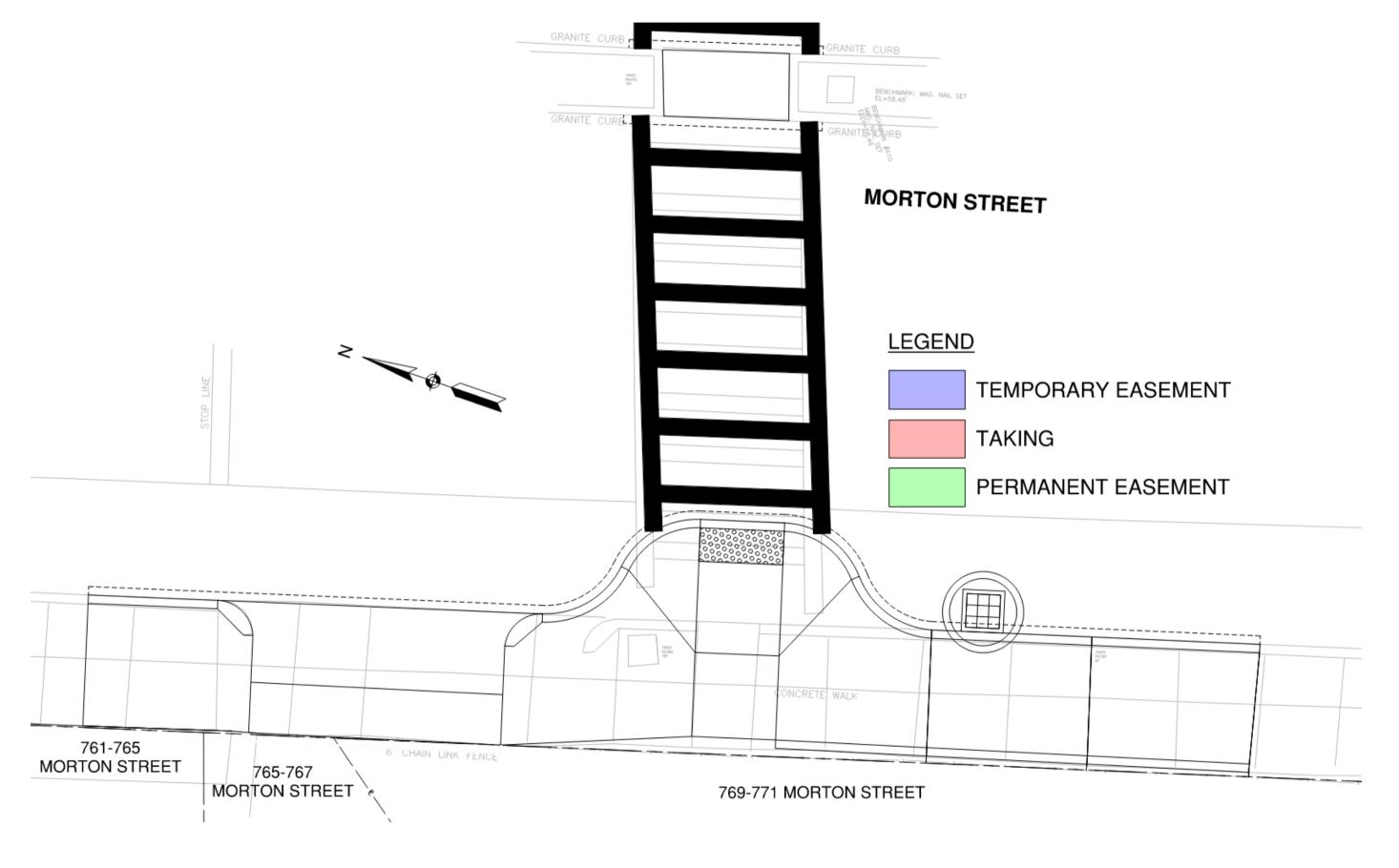


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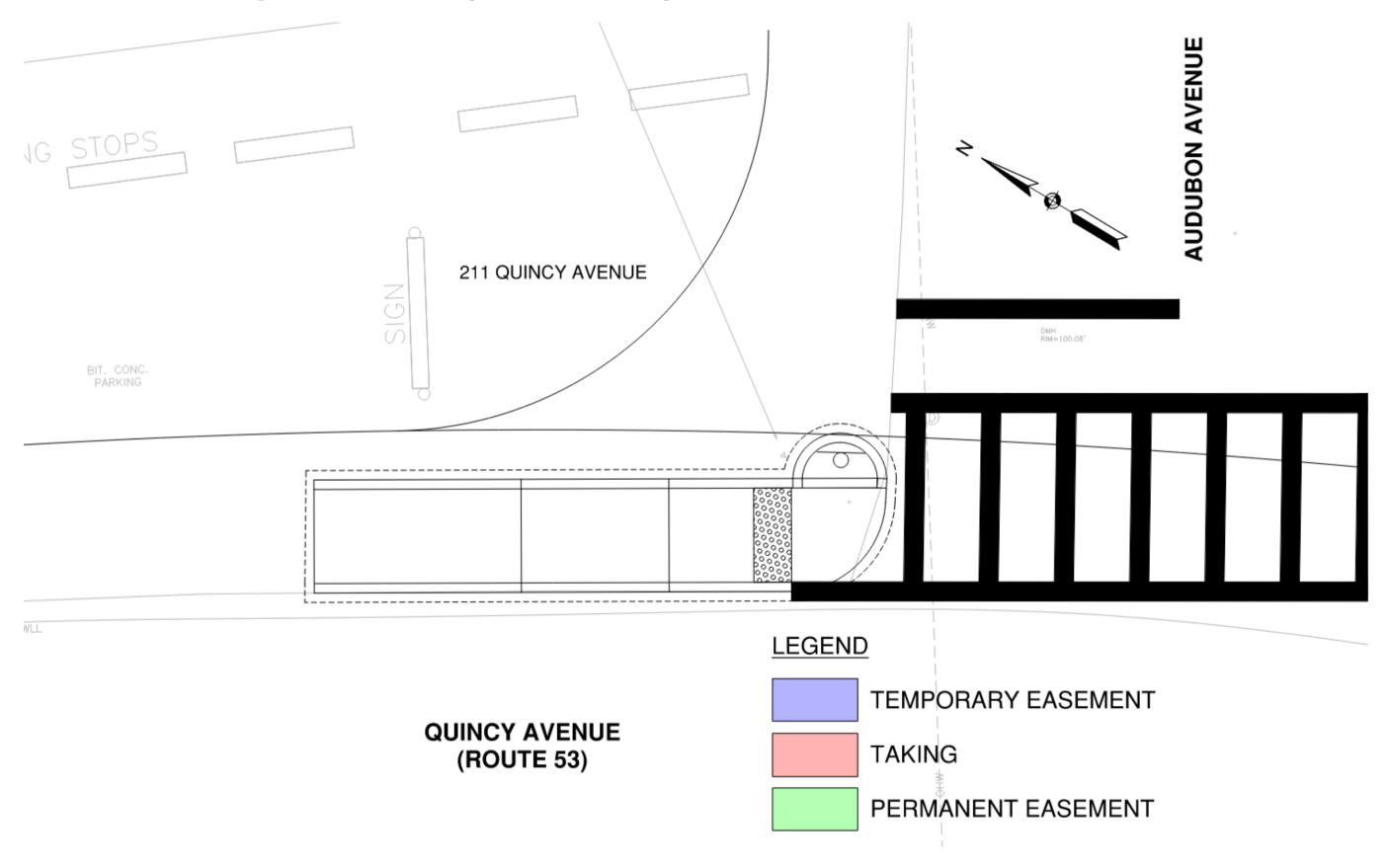


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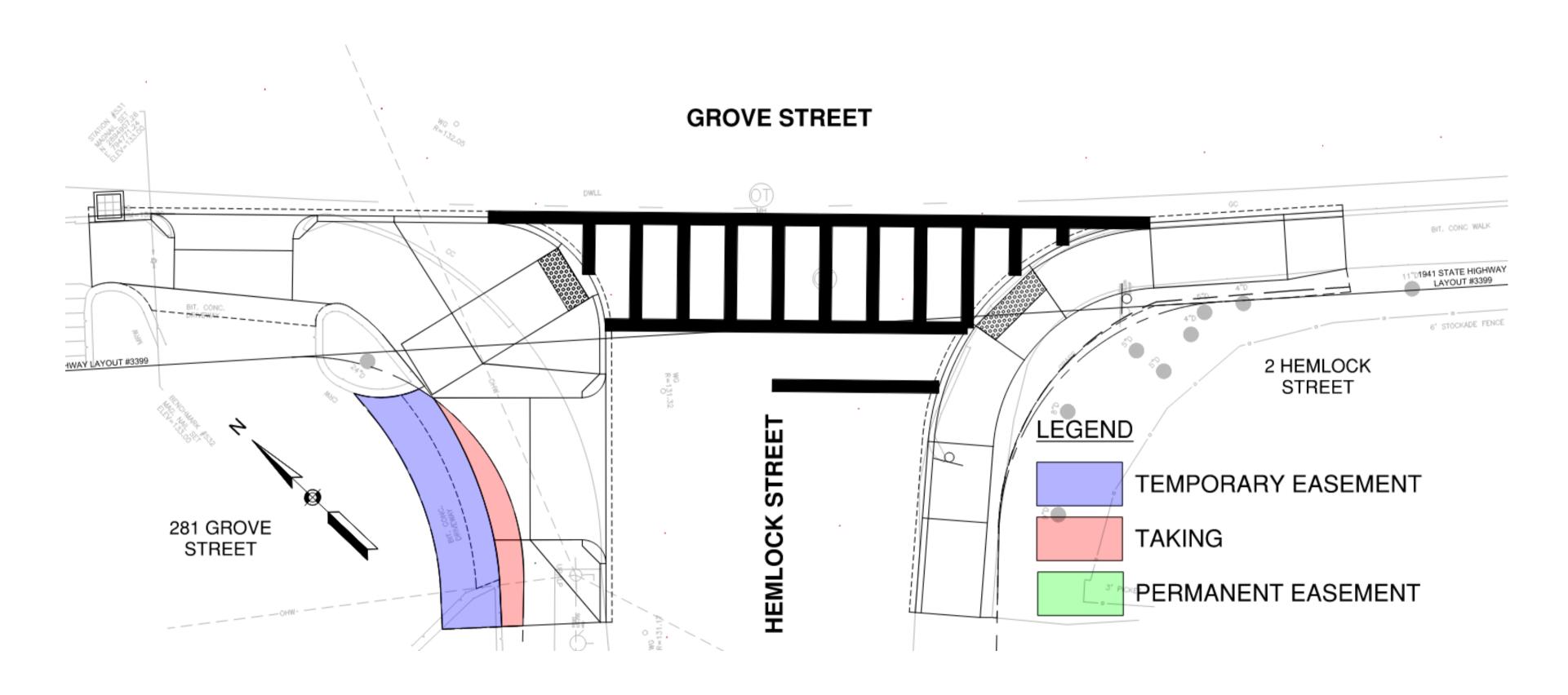


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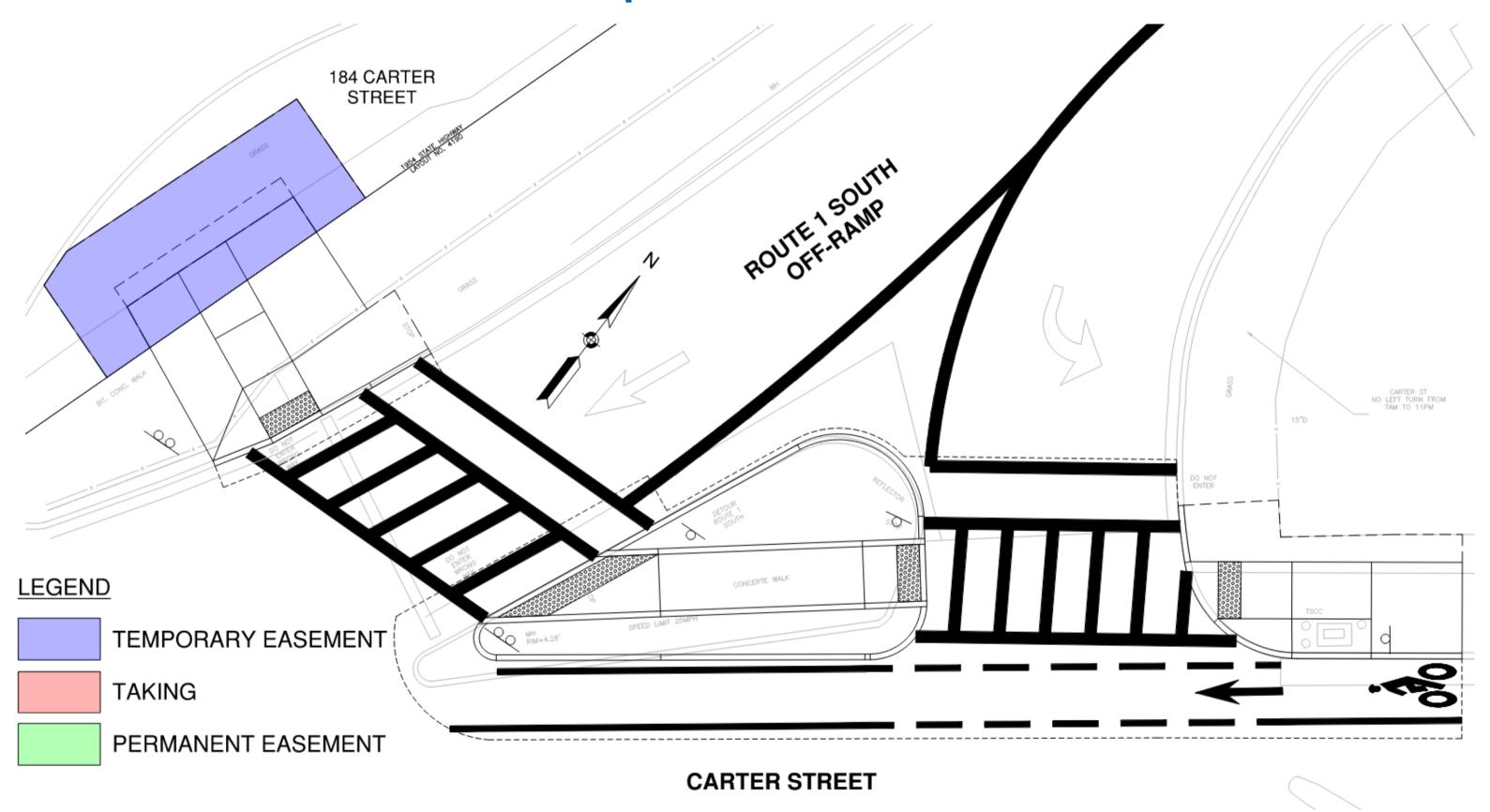


BRAINTREE – Grove Street at Hemlock Street



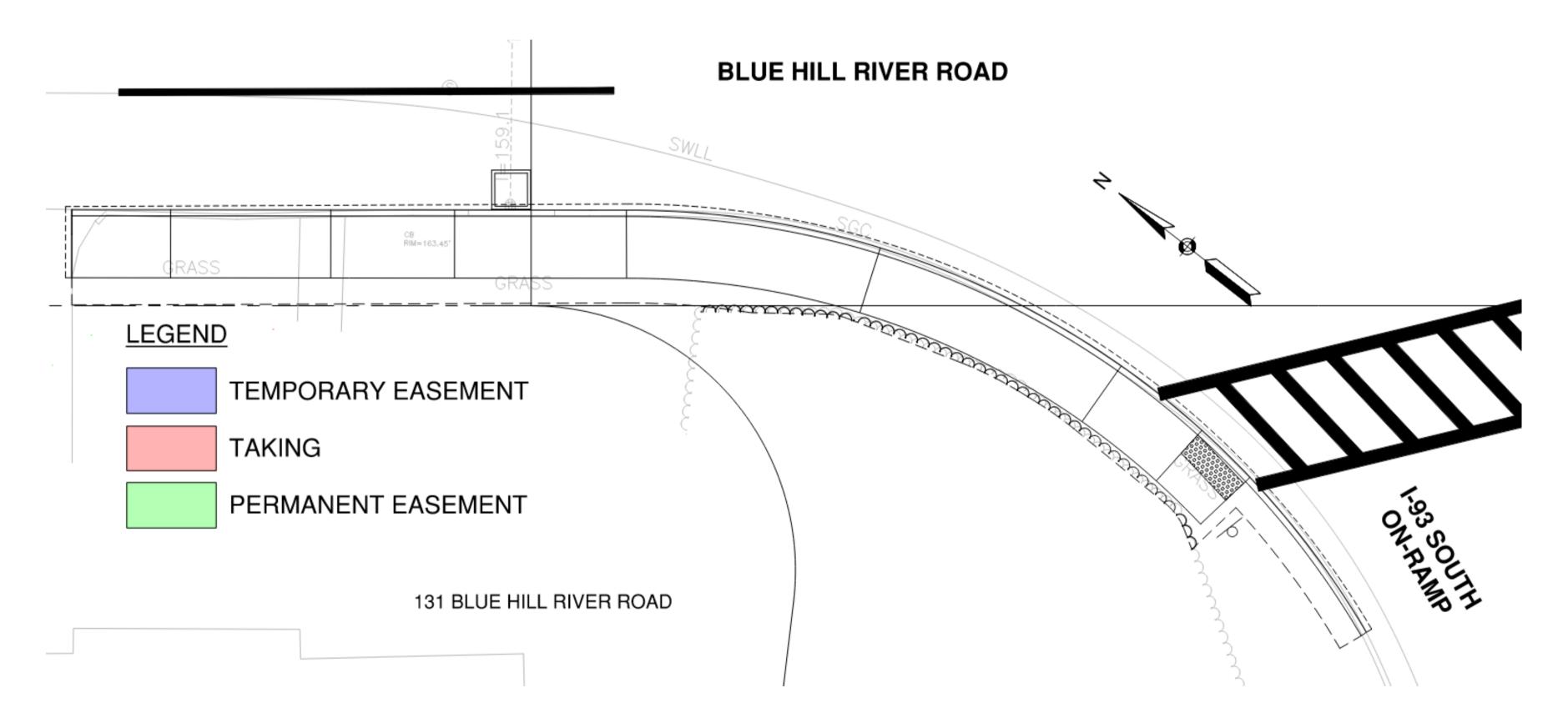


CHELSEA – Route 1 South Off-Ramp at Carter Street



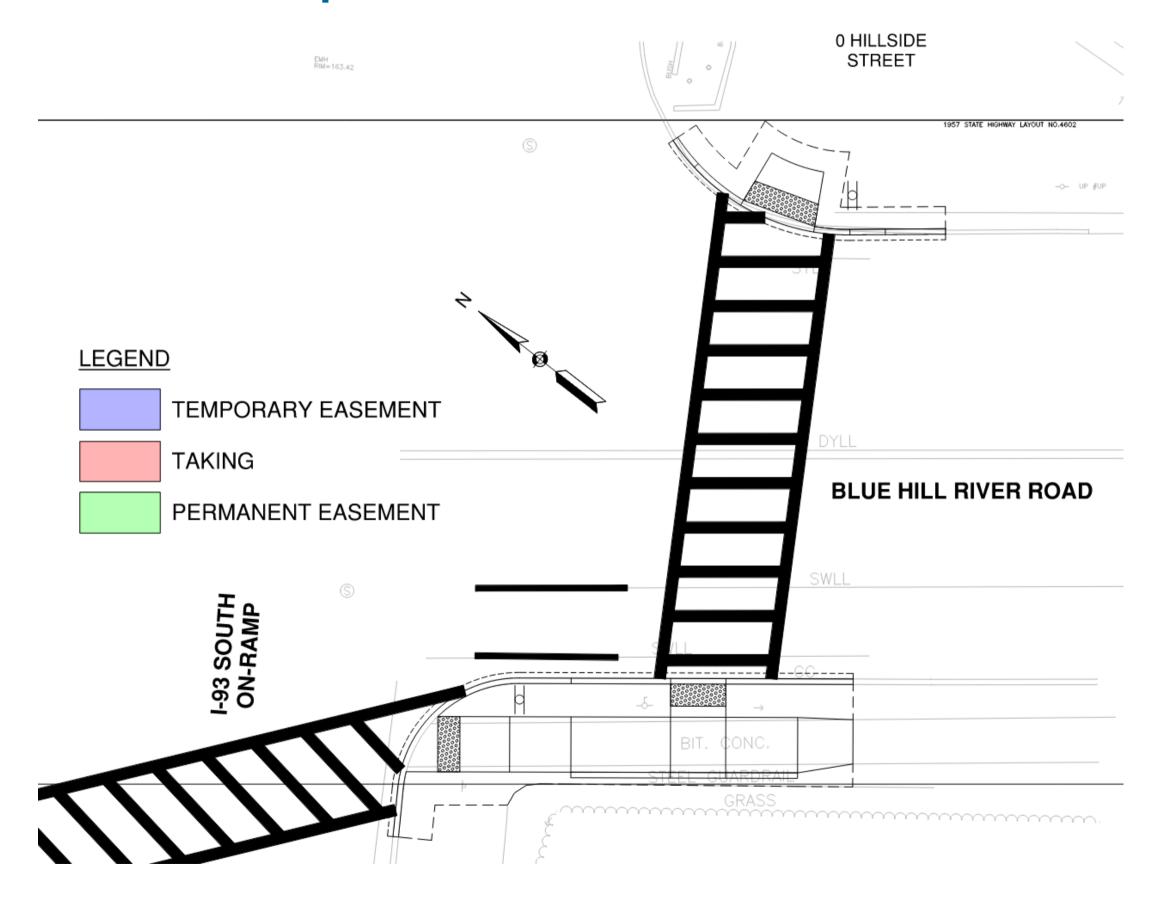


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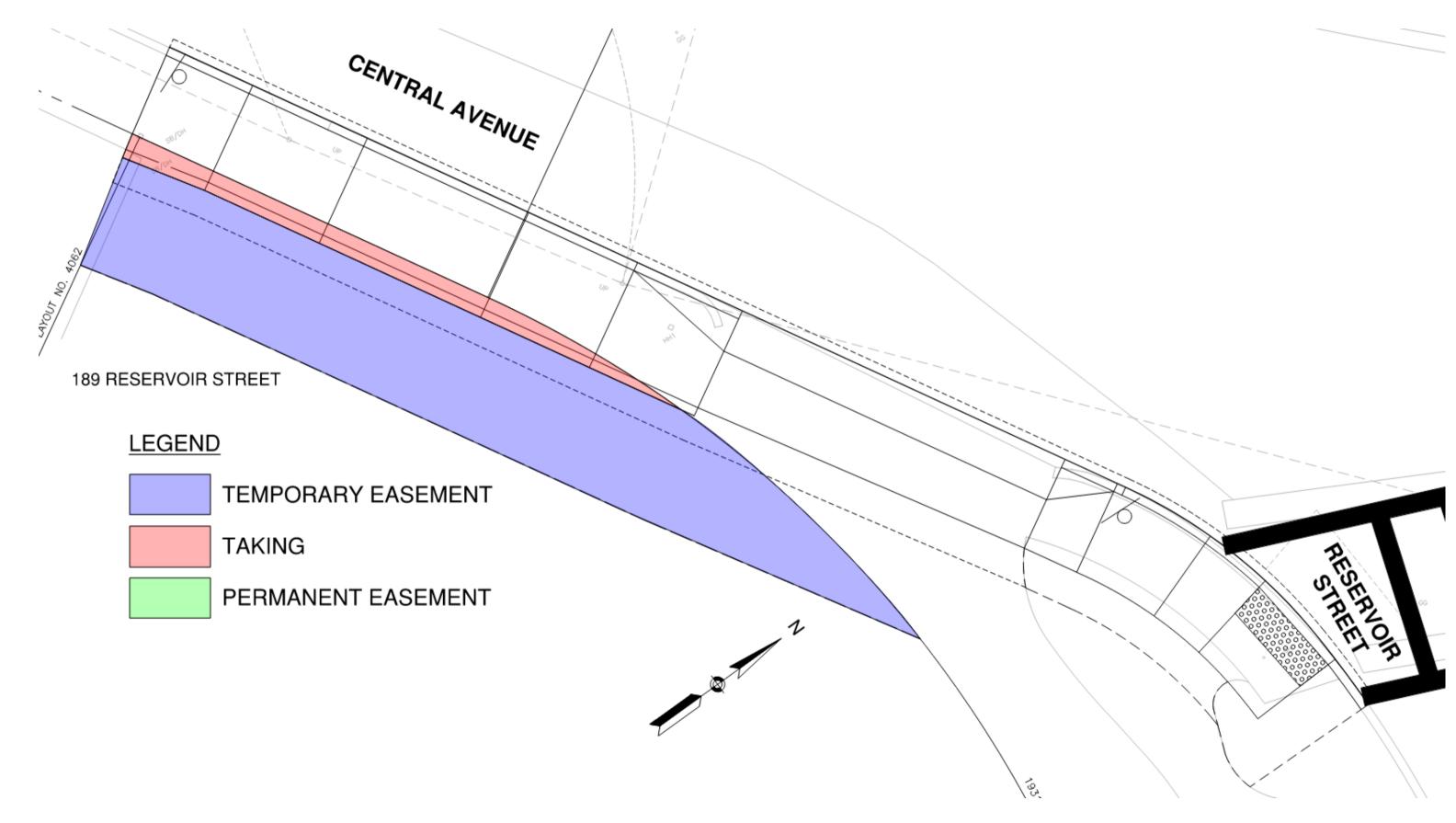


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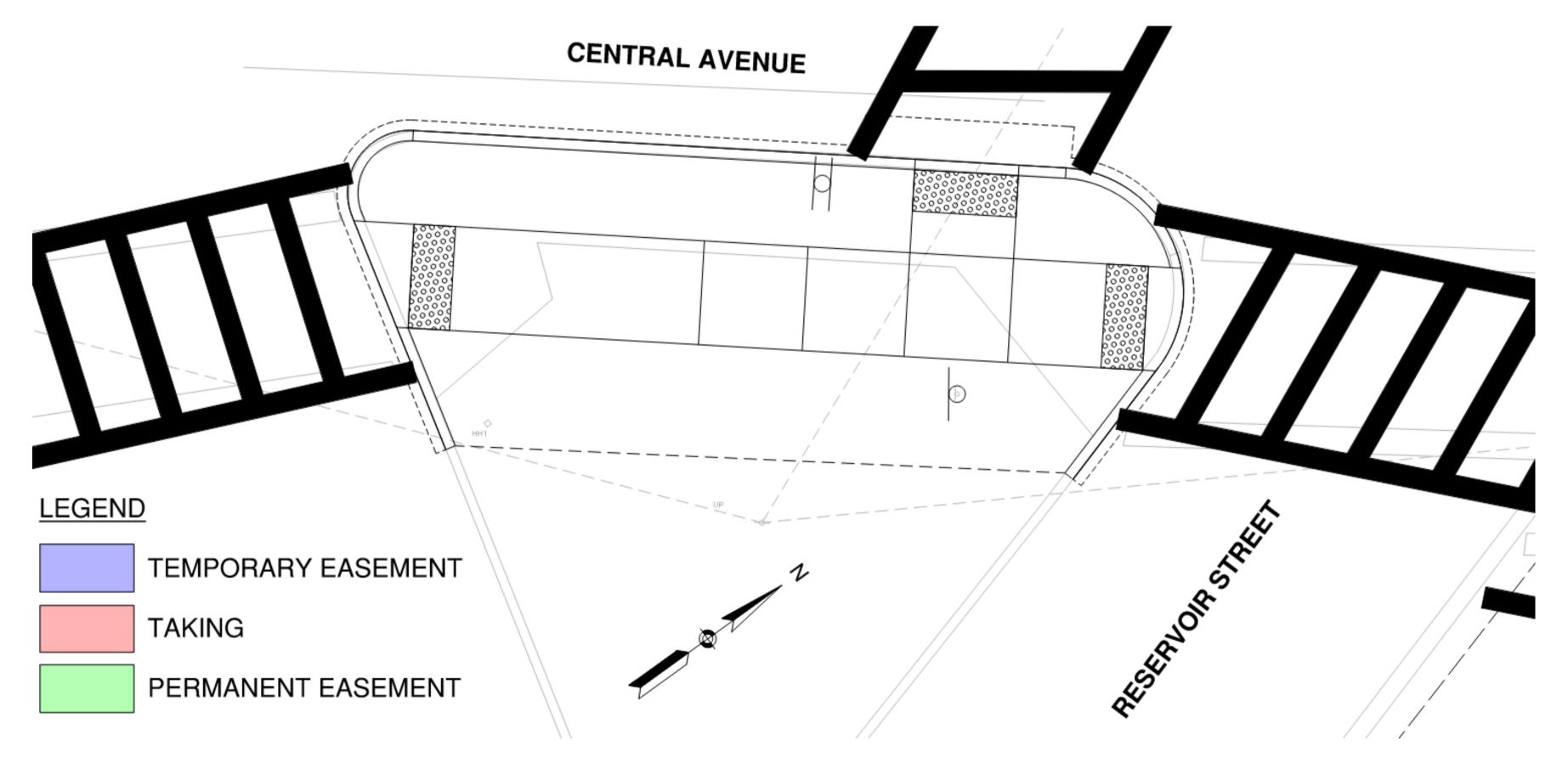


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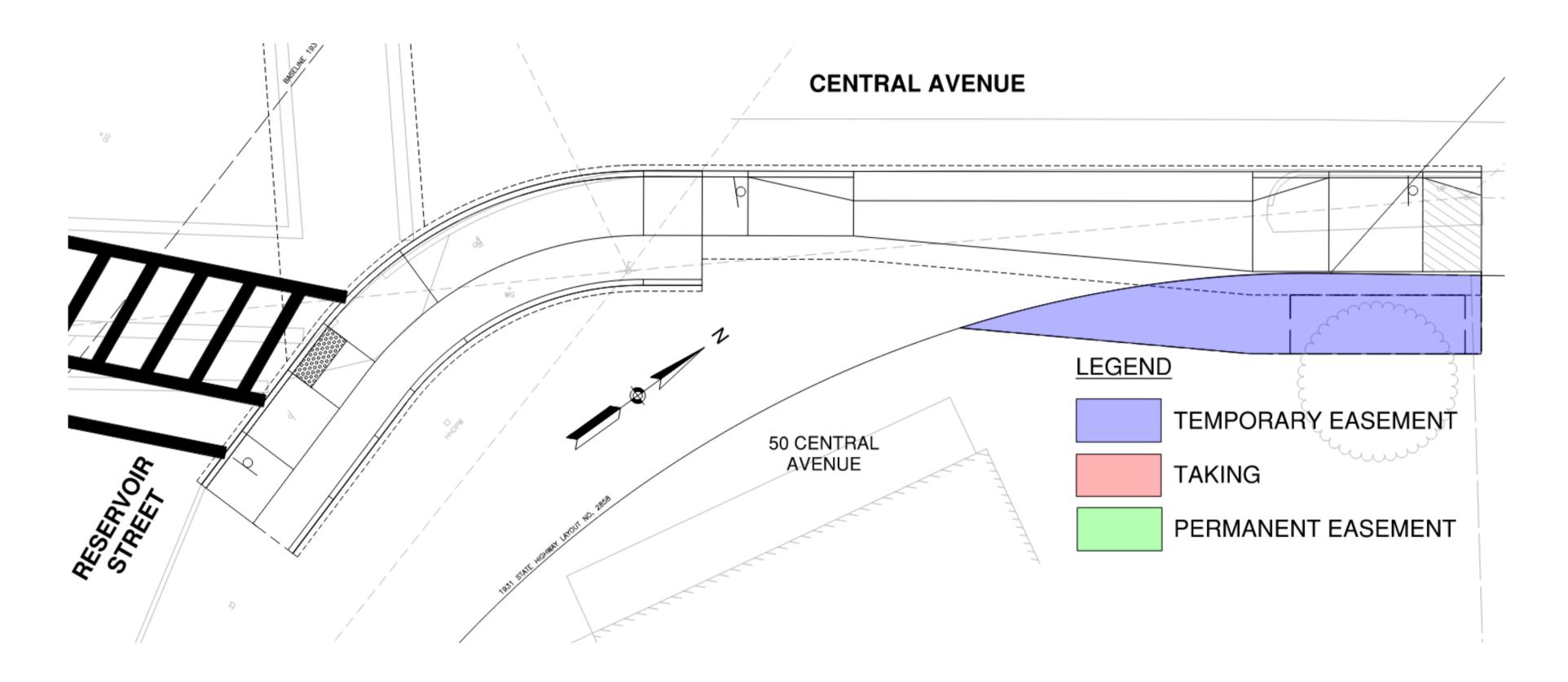


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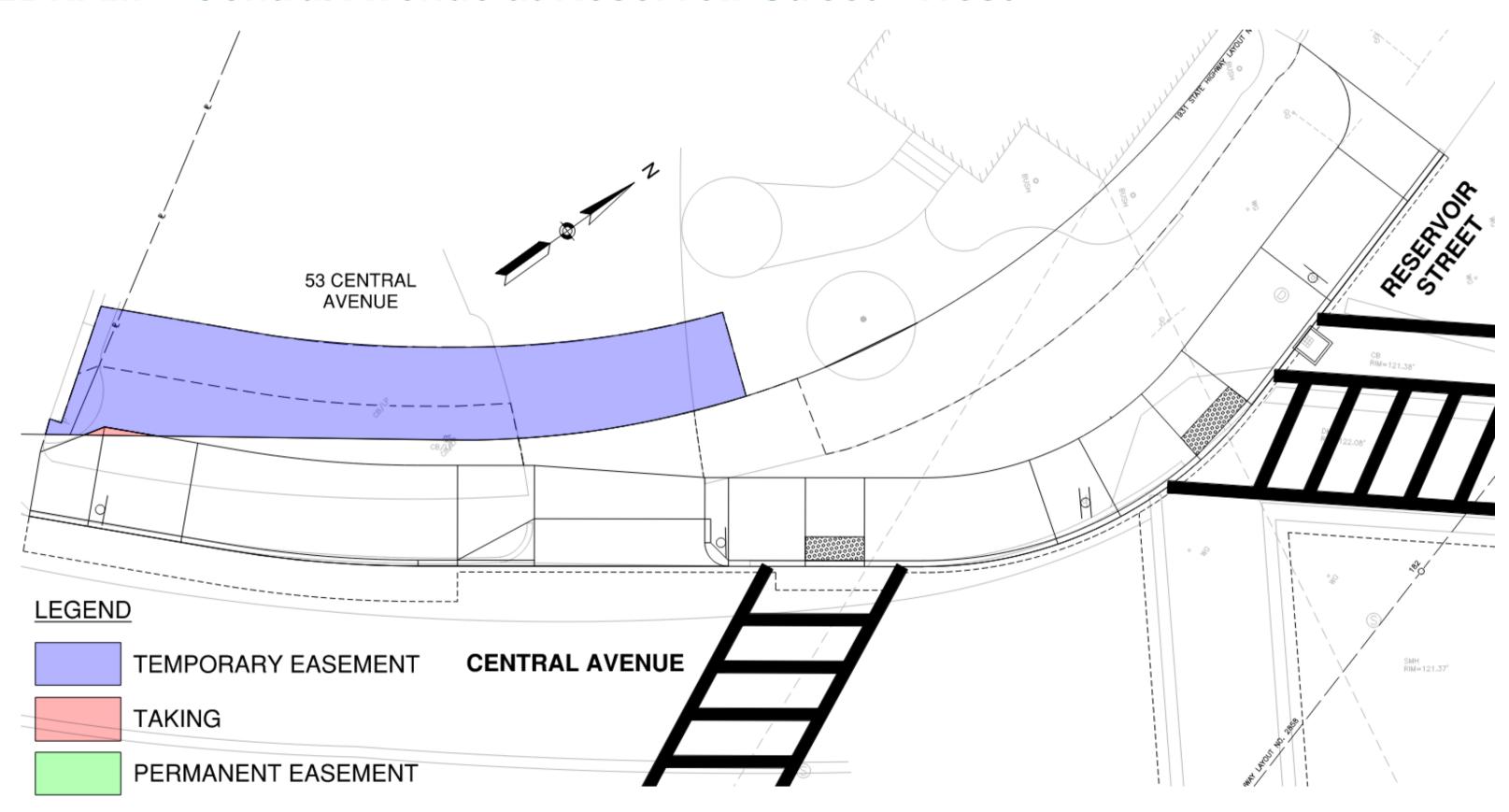


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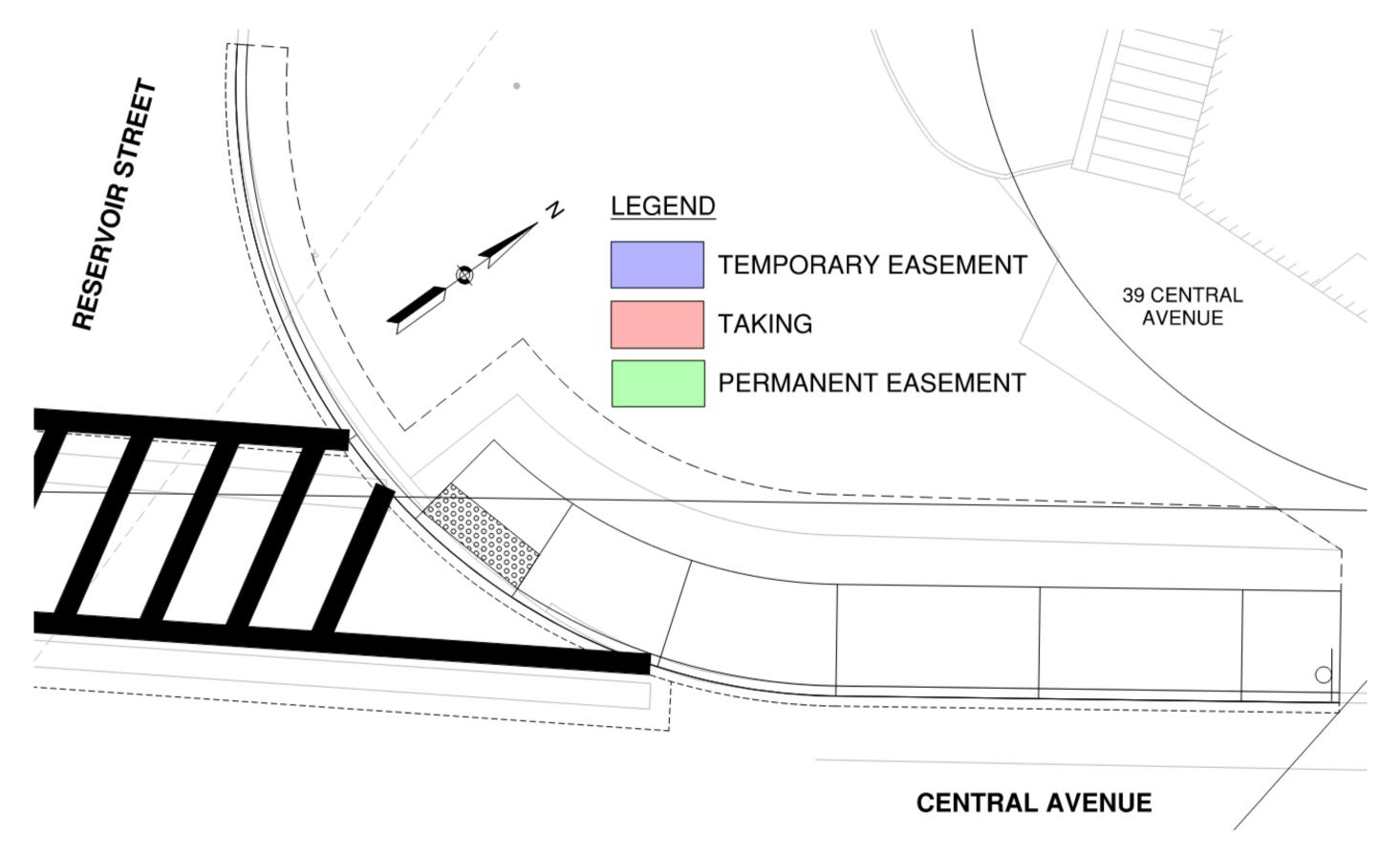


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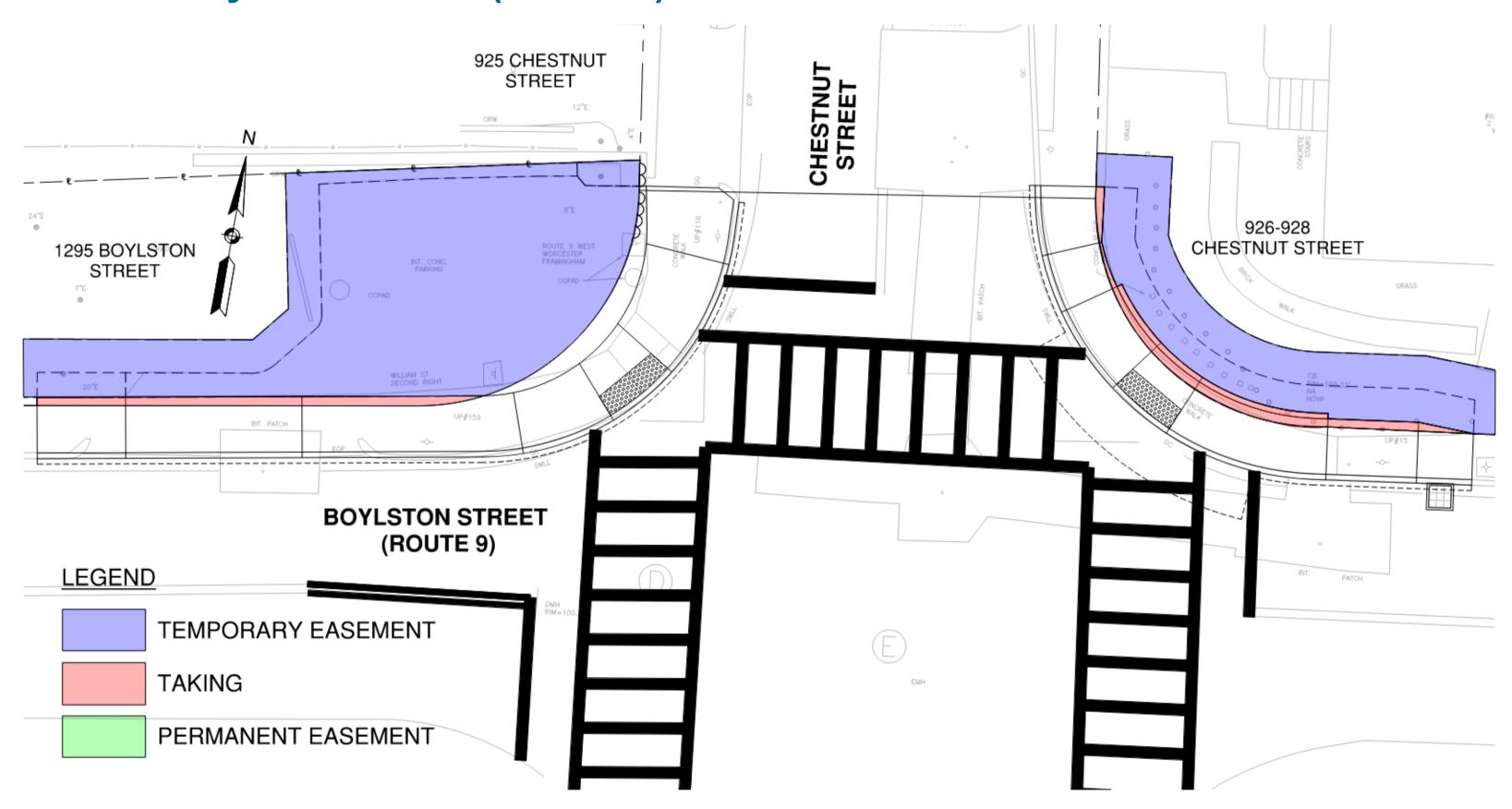


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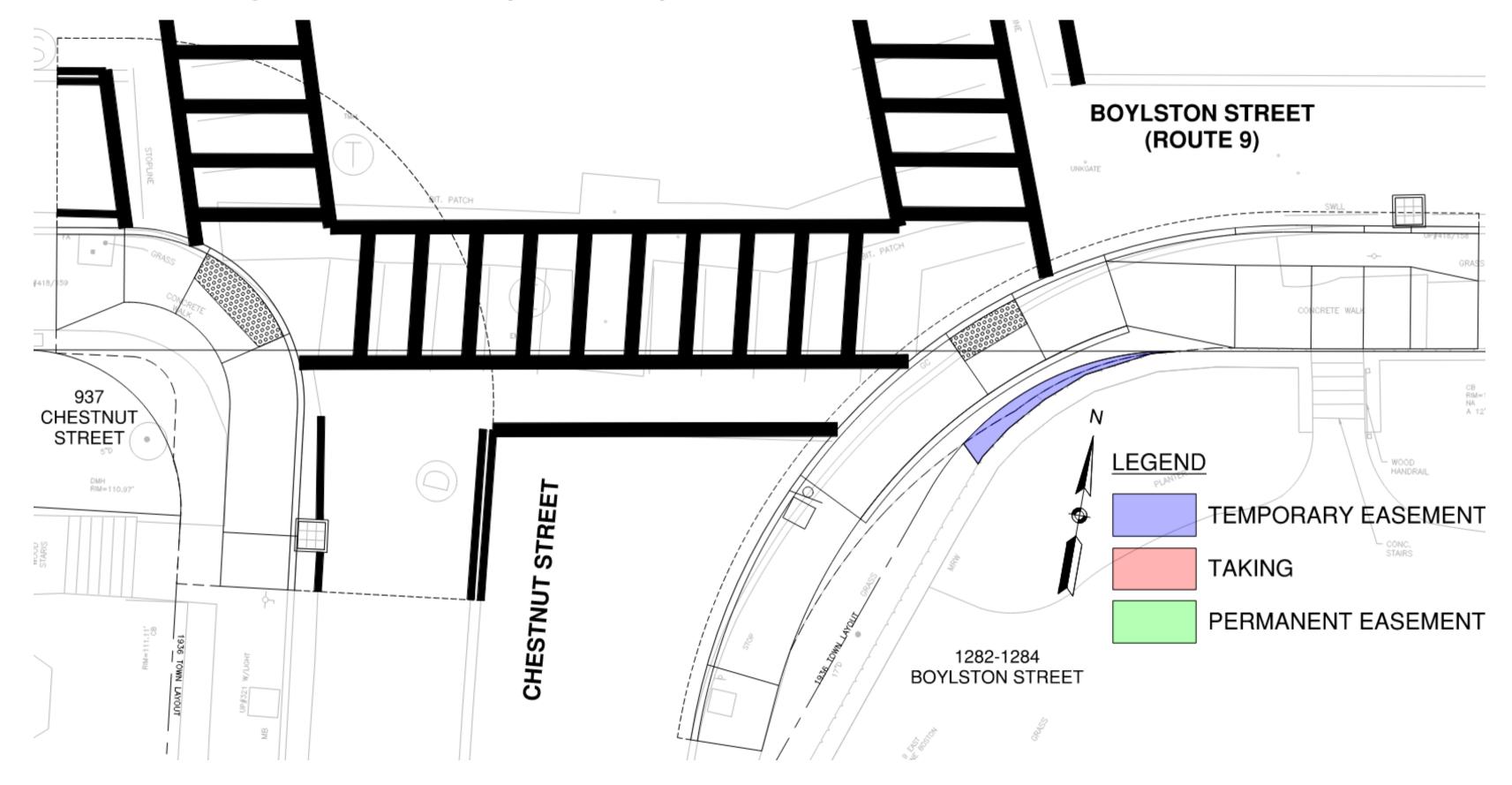


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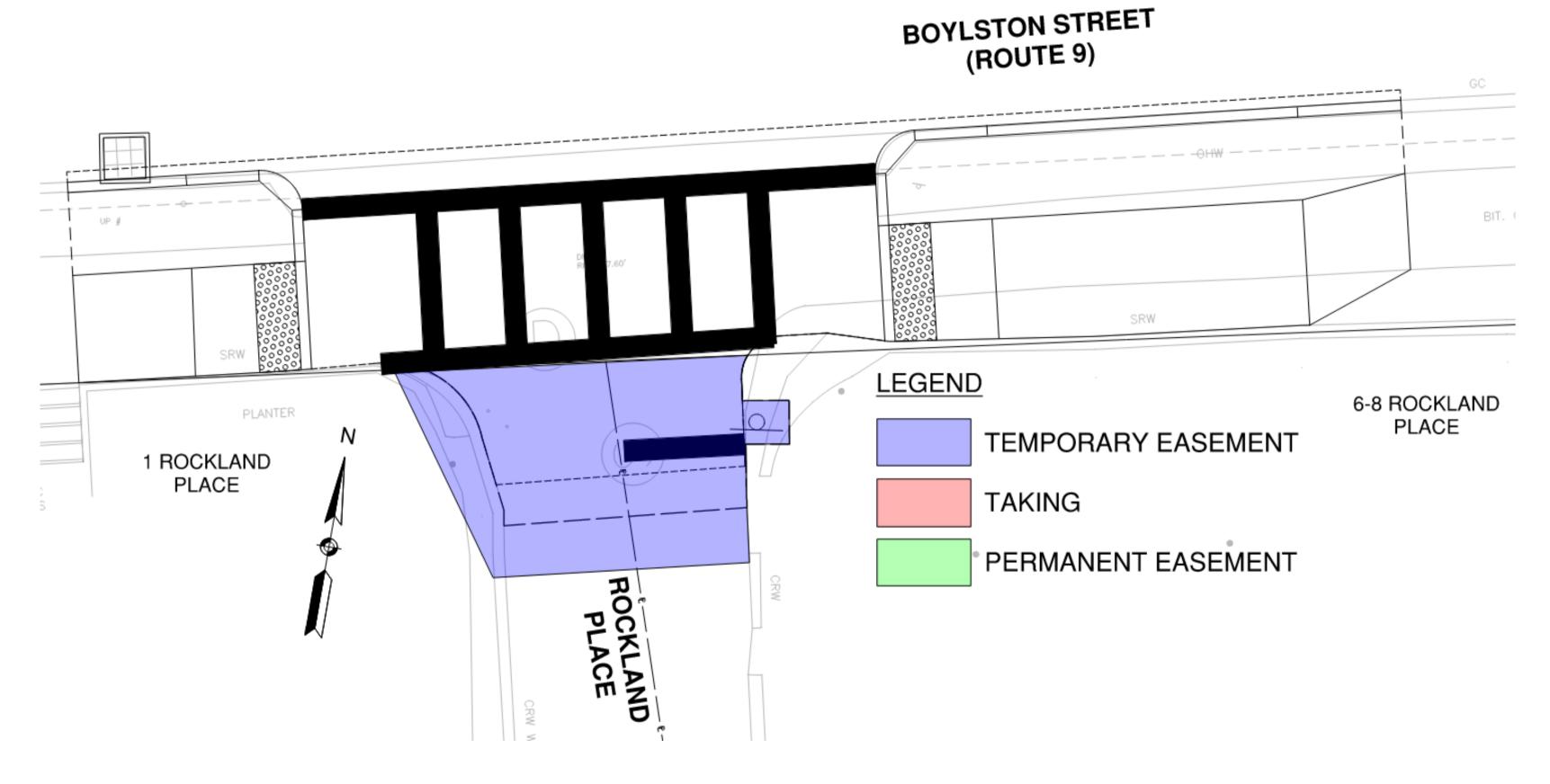


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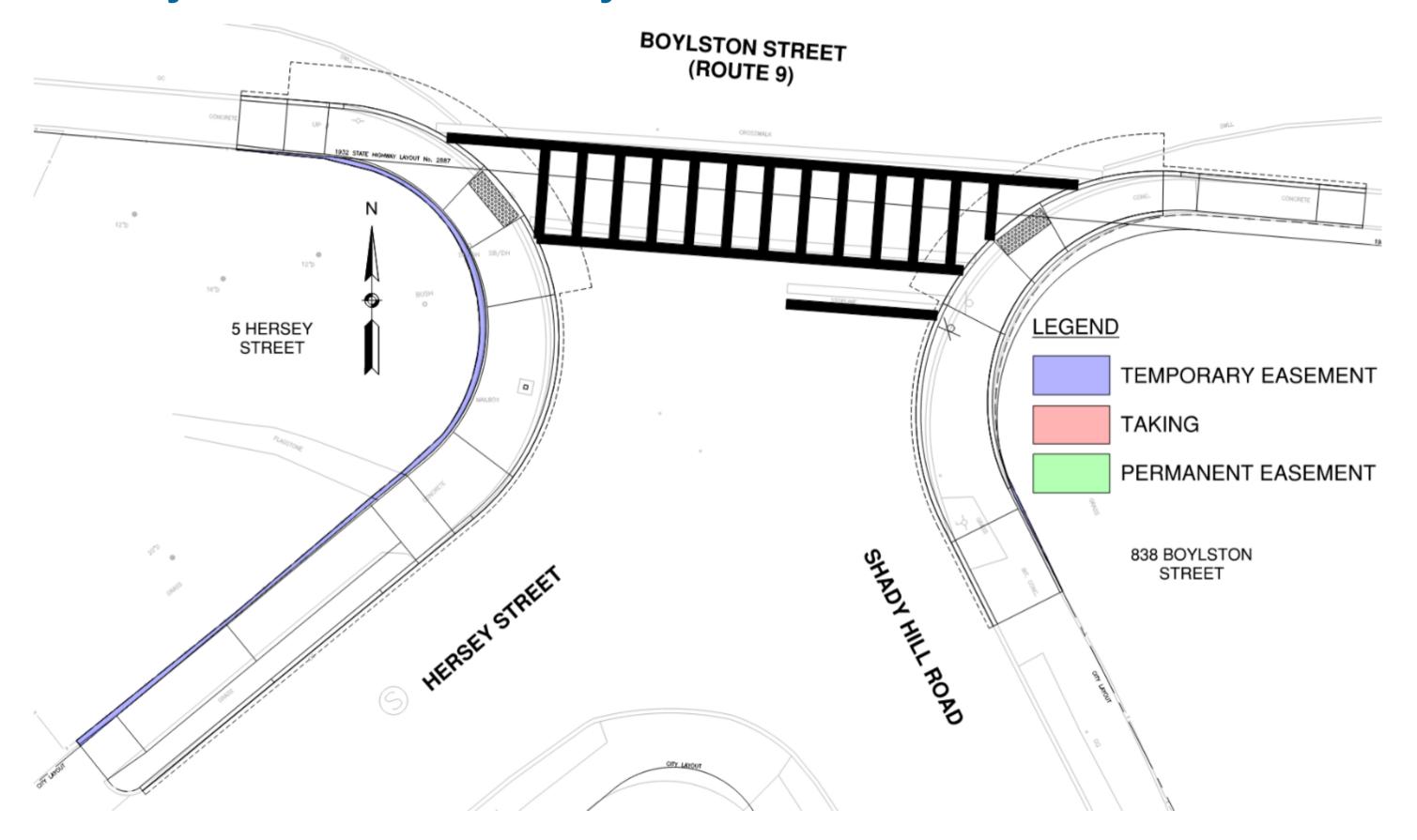


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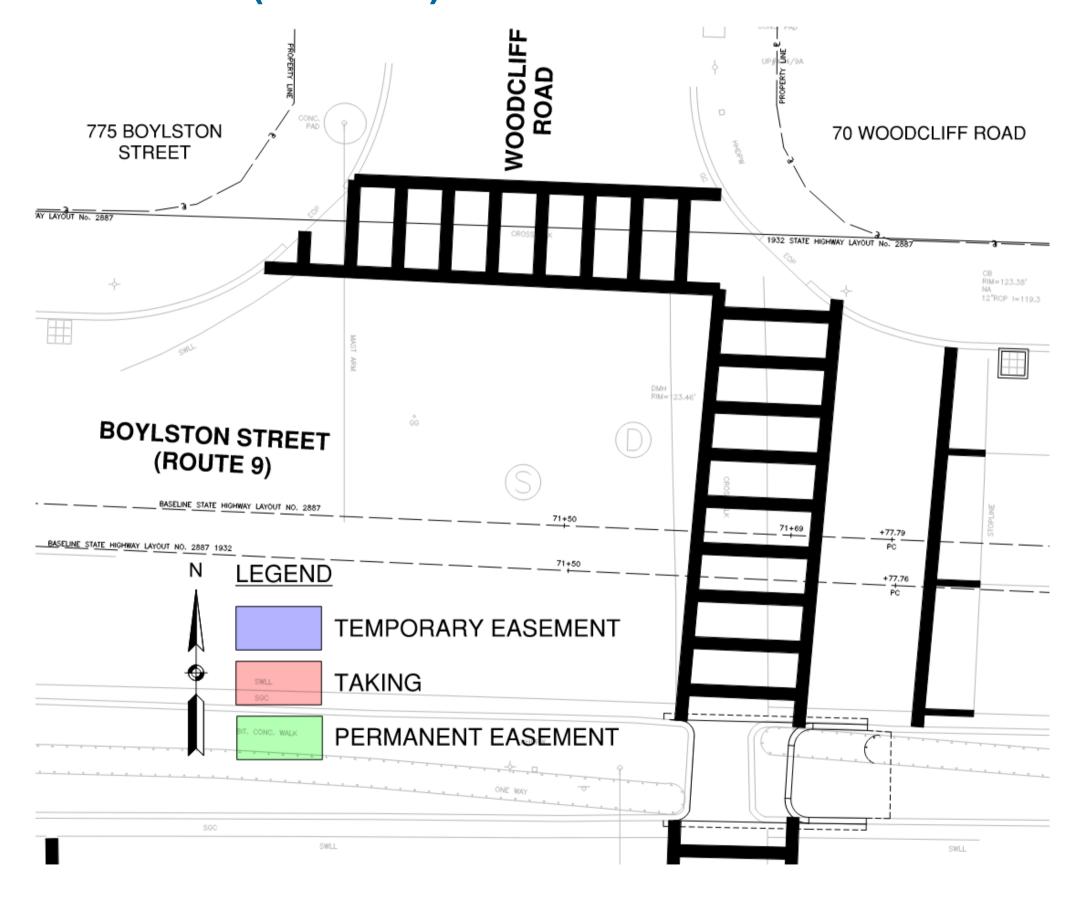


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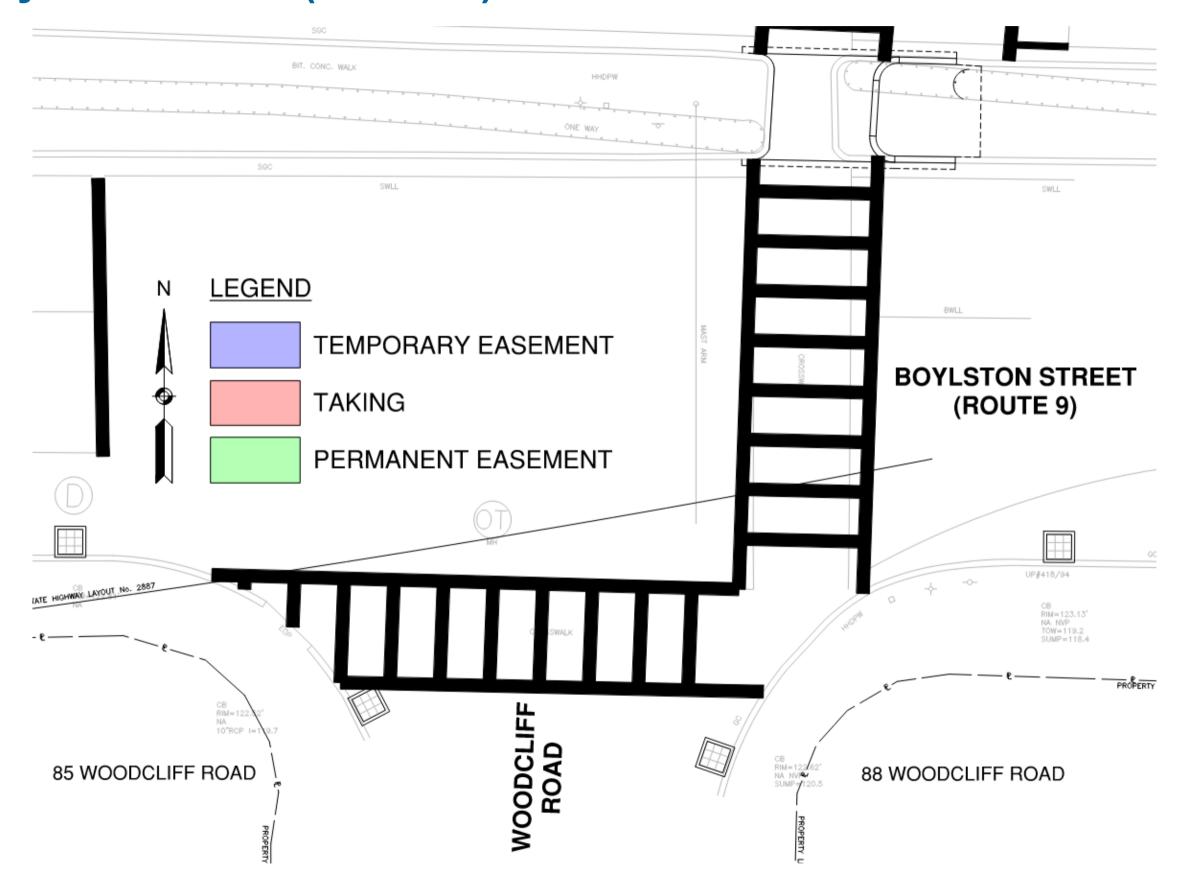


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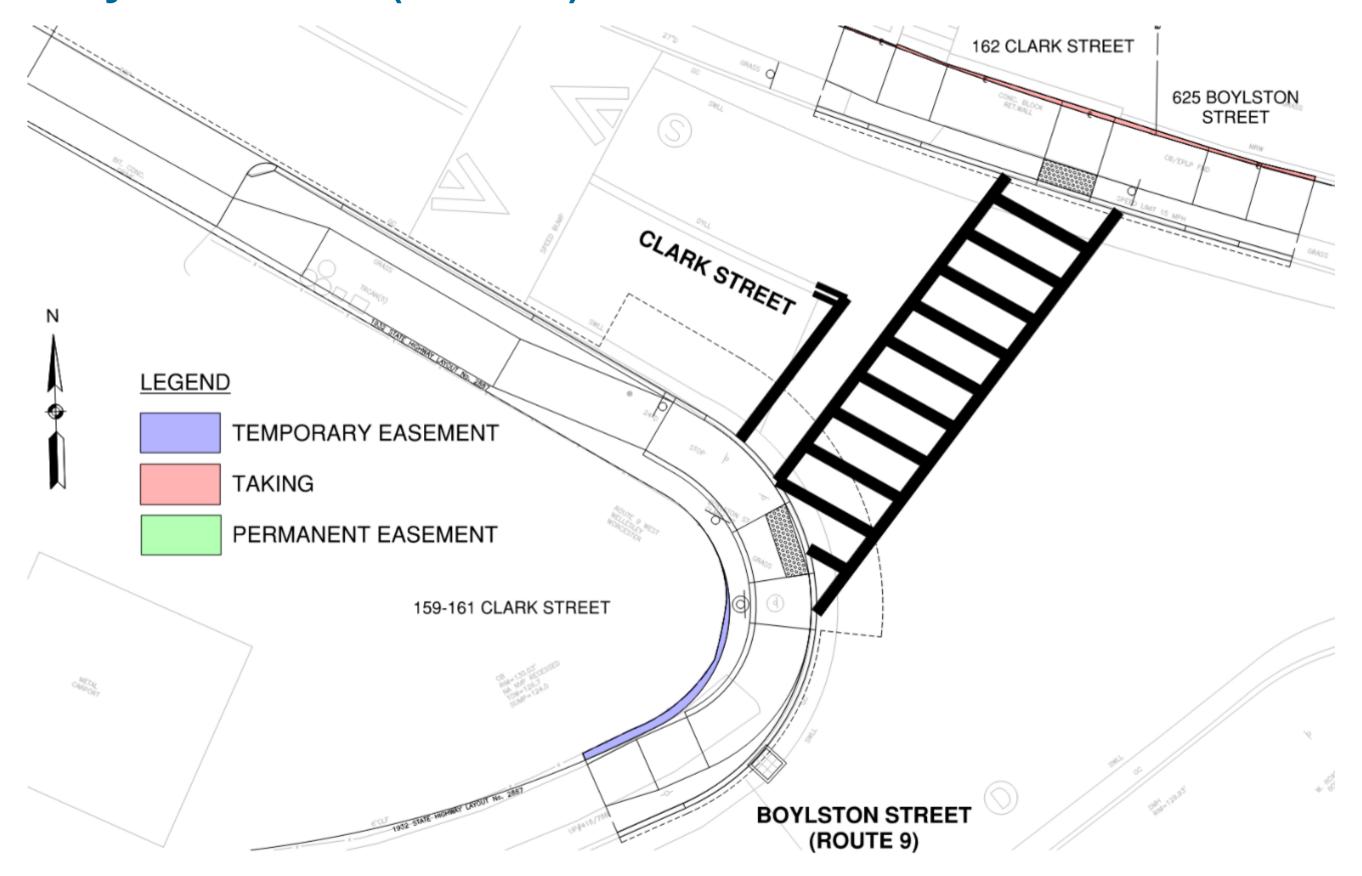


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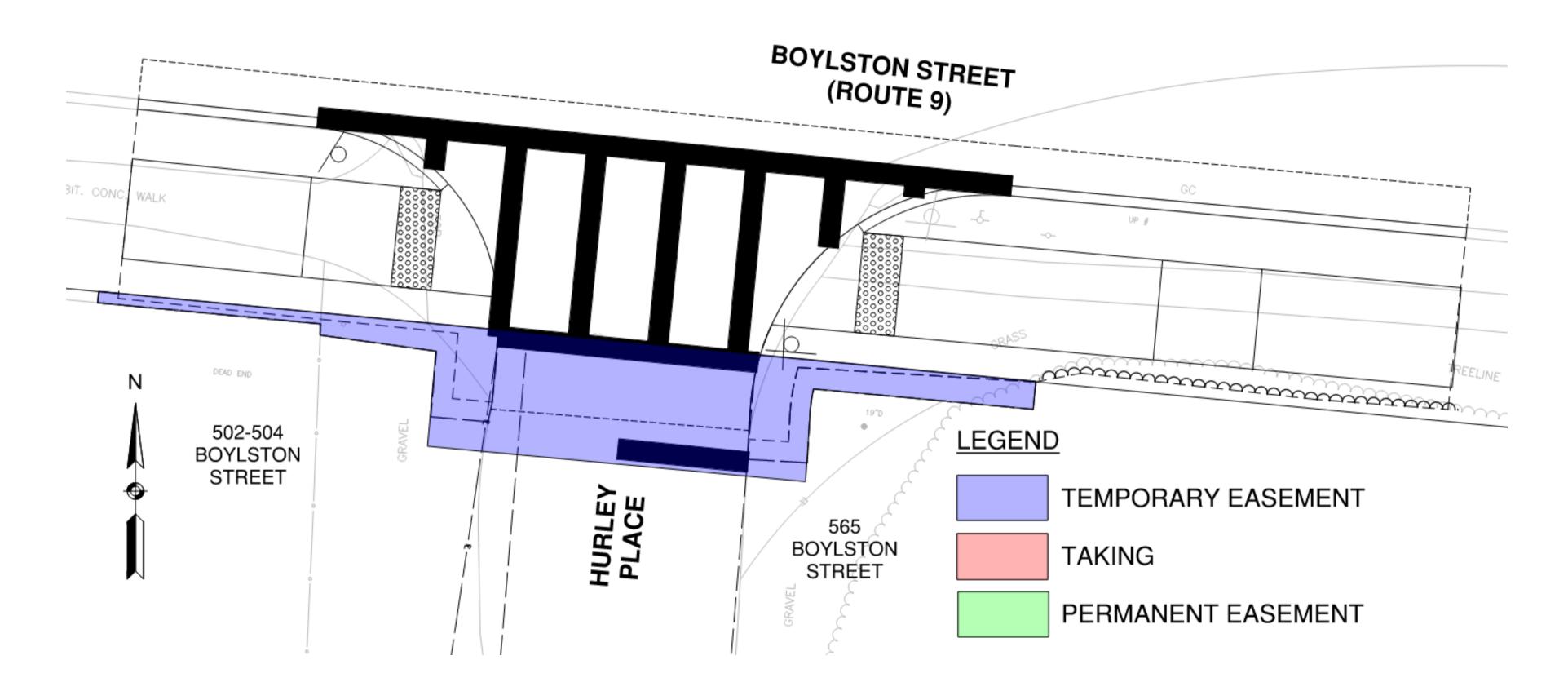


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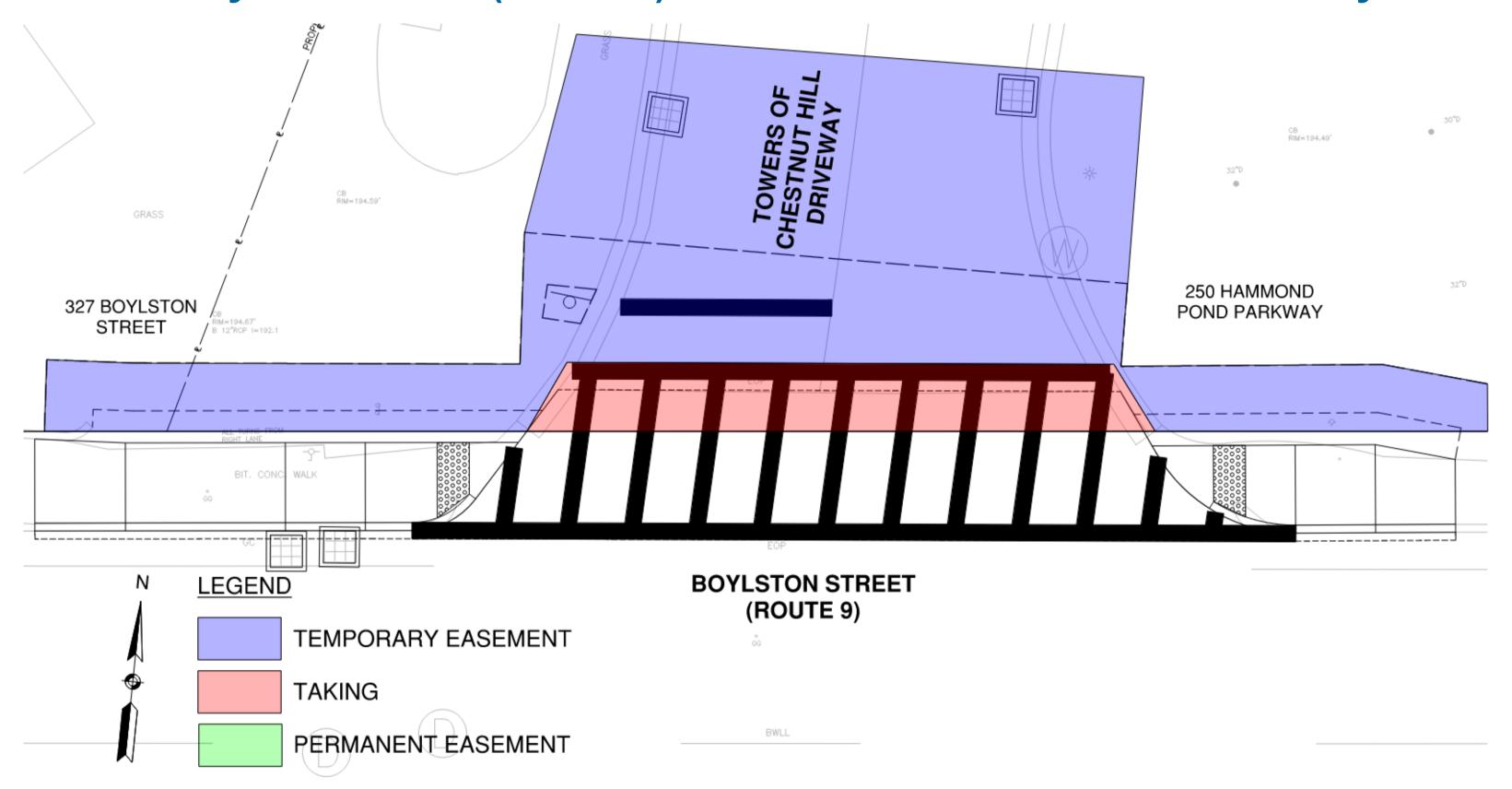


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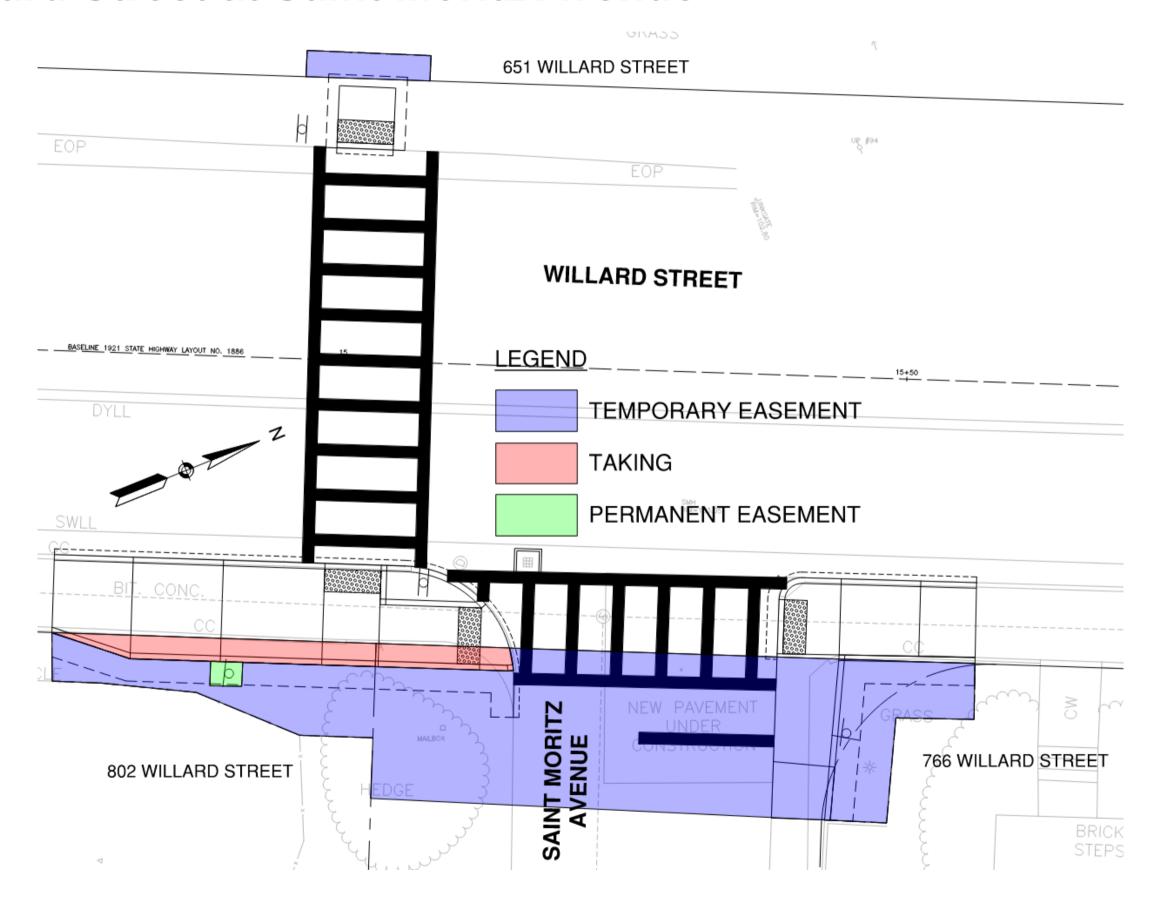


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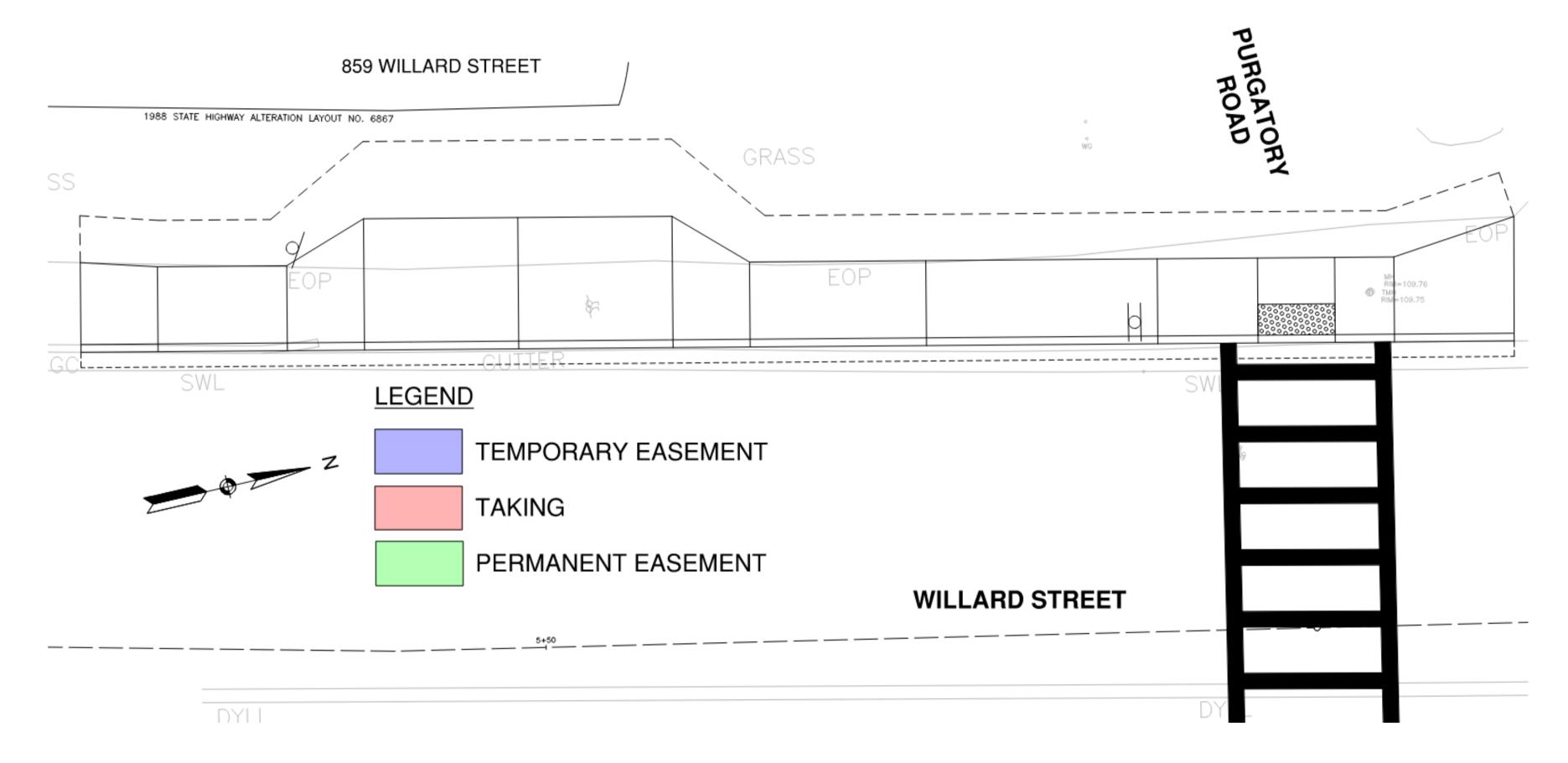


QUINCY – Willard Street at Saint Moritz Avenue



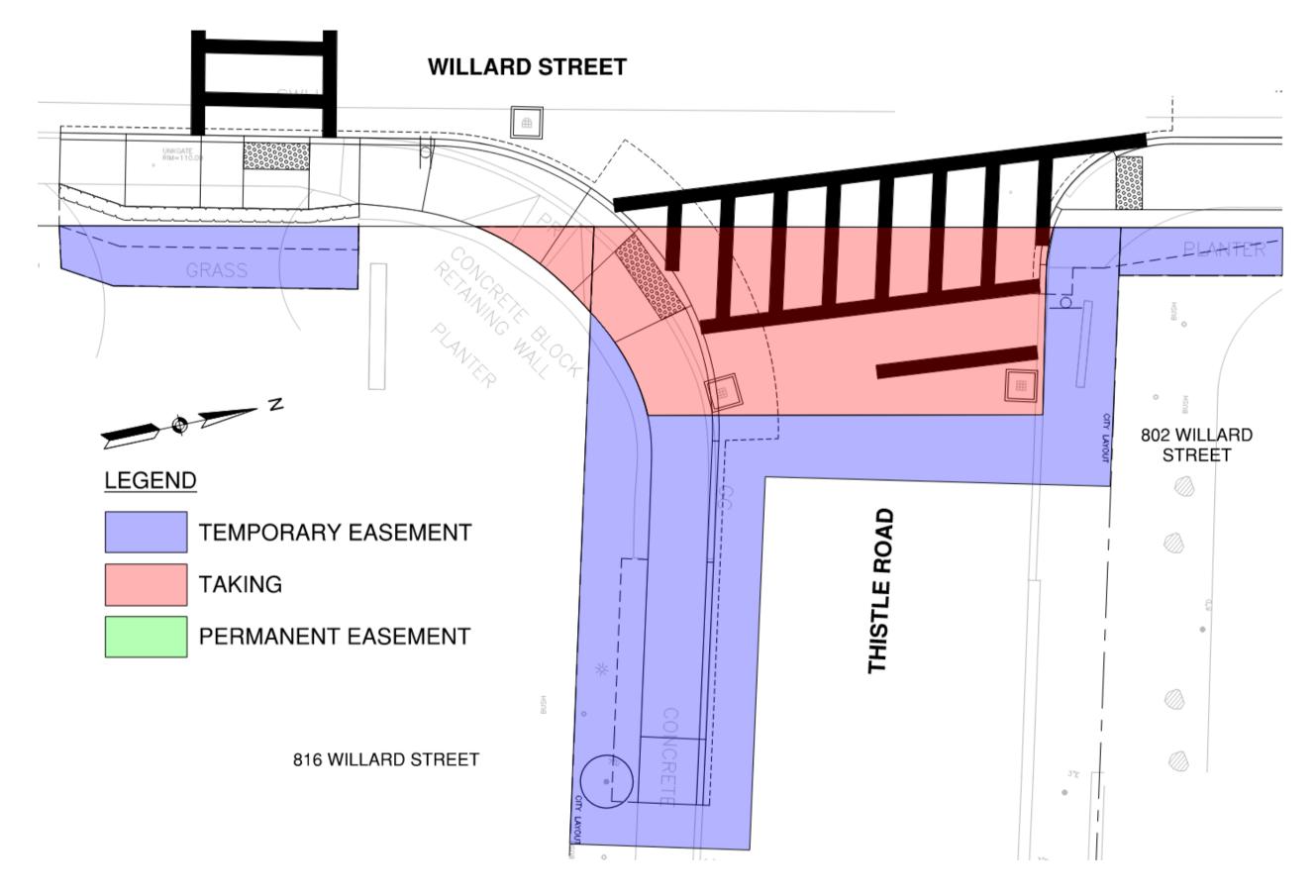


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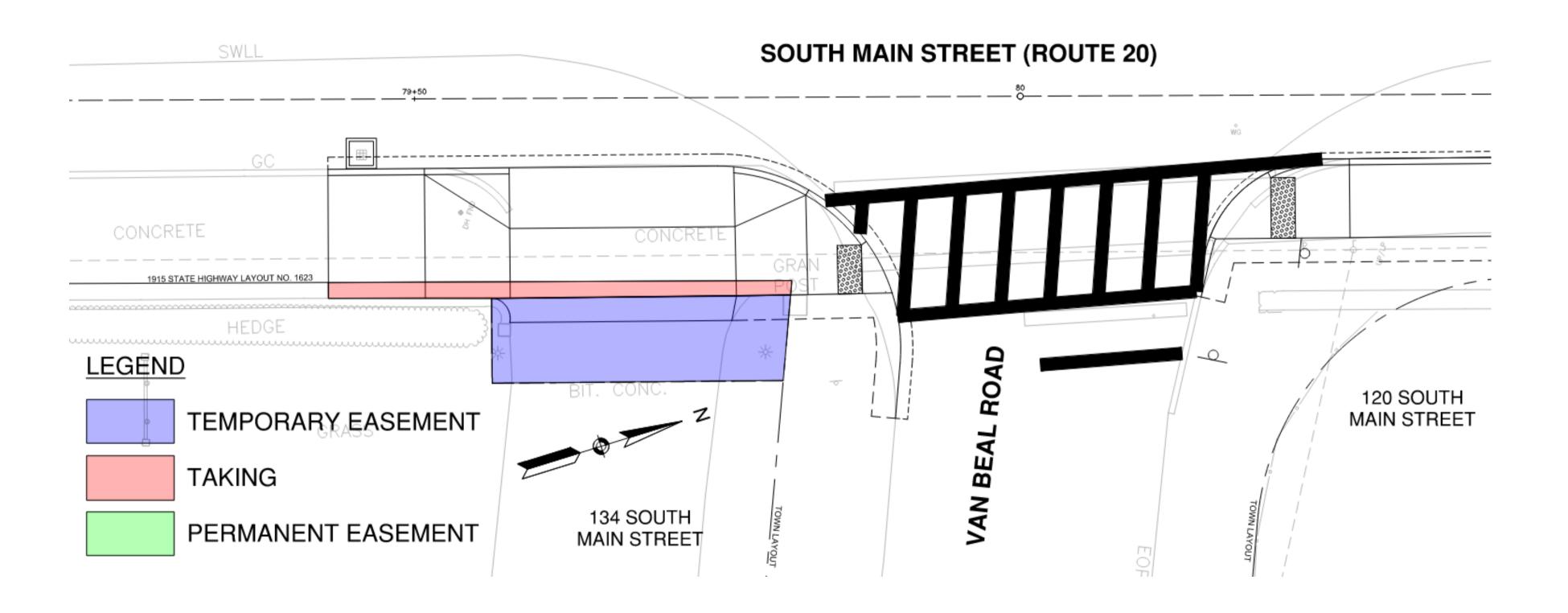


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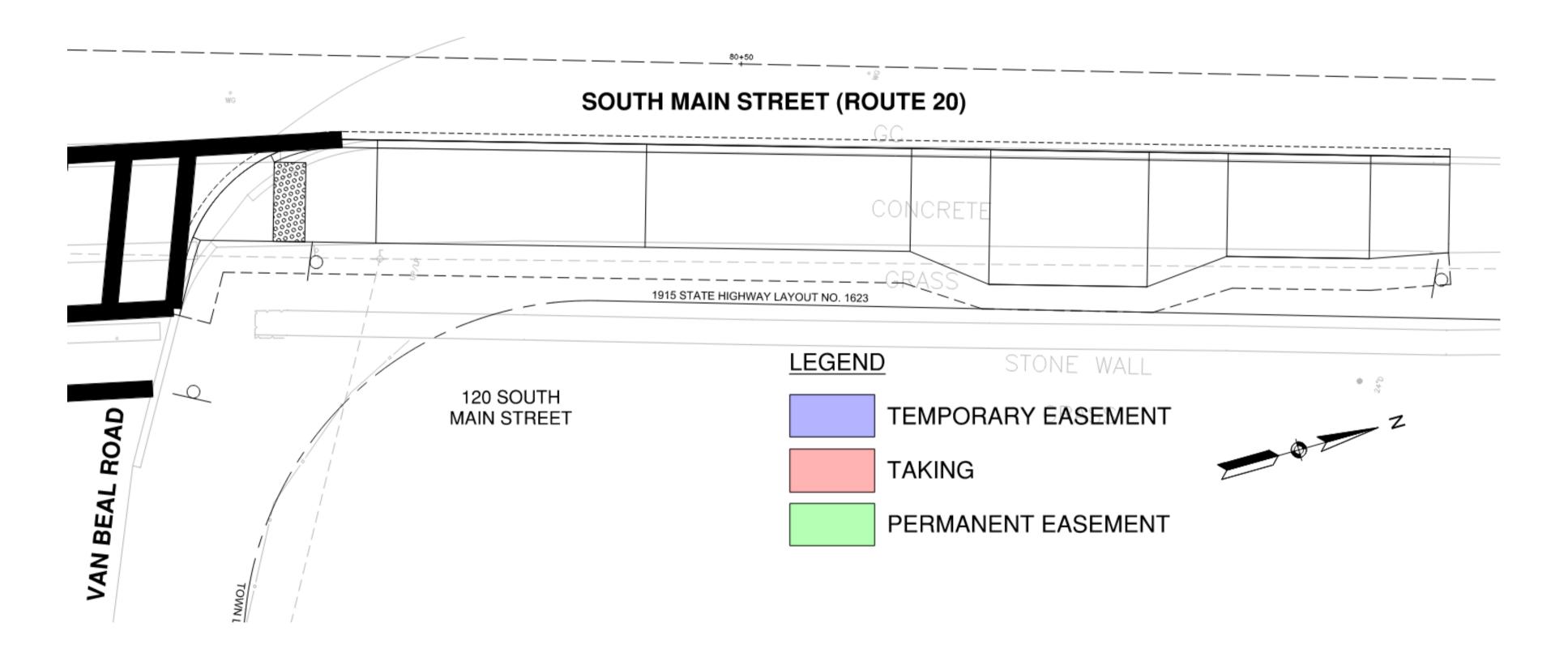


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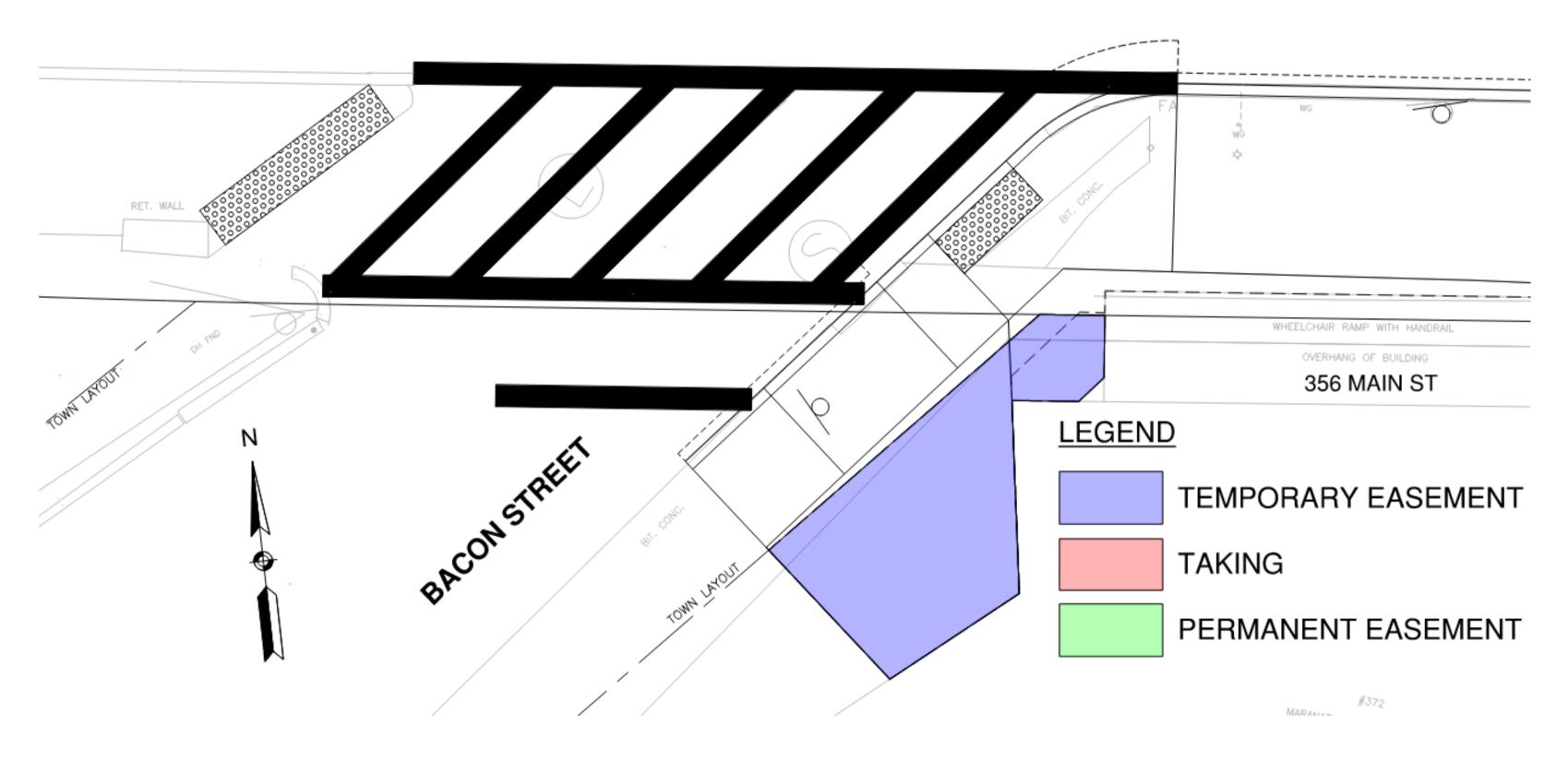
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WATERTOWN – Main Street at Bacon Street

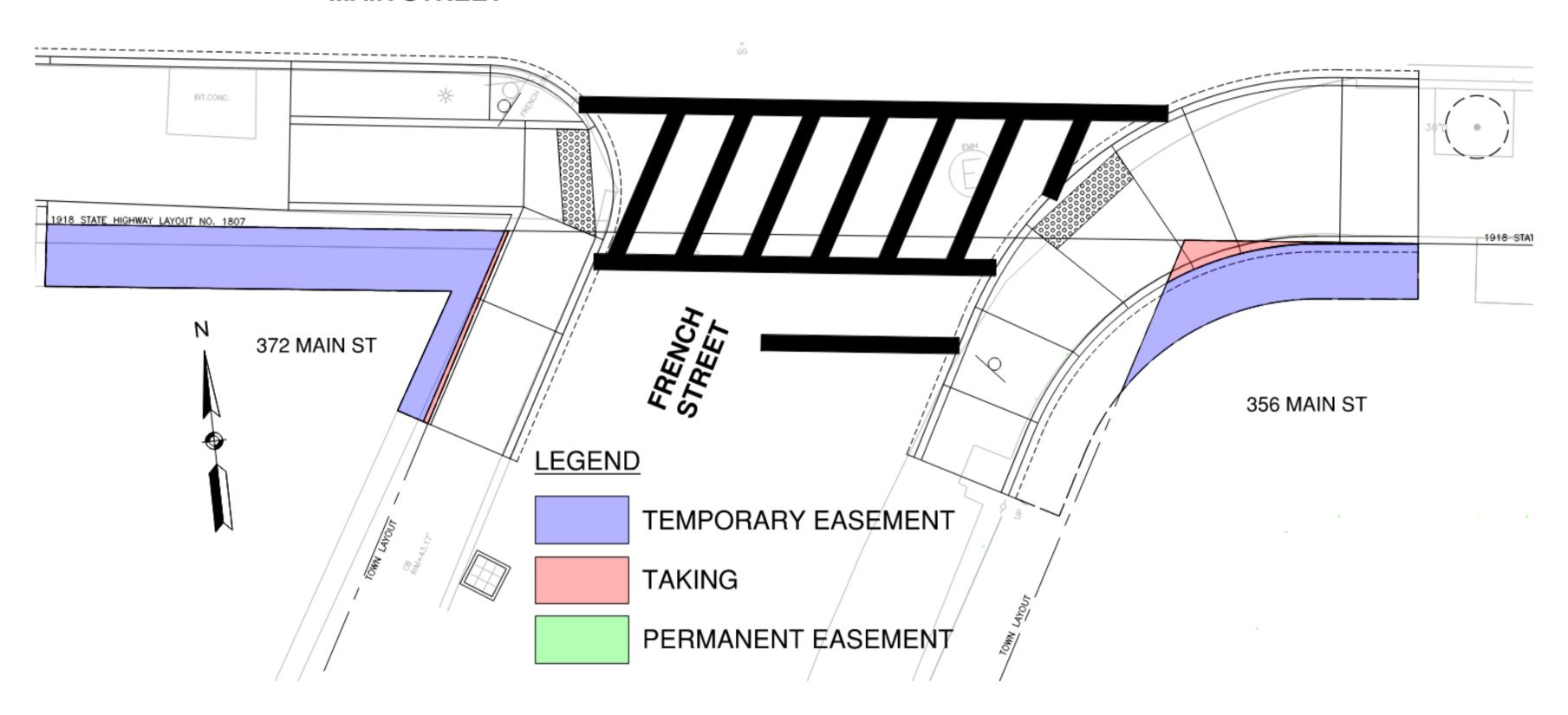
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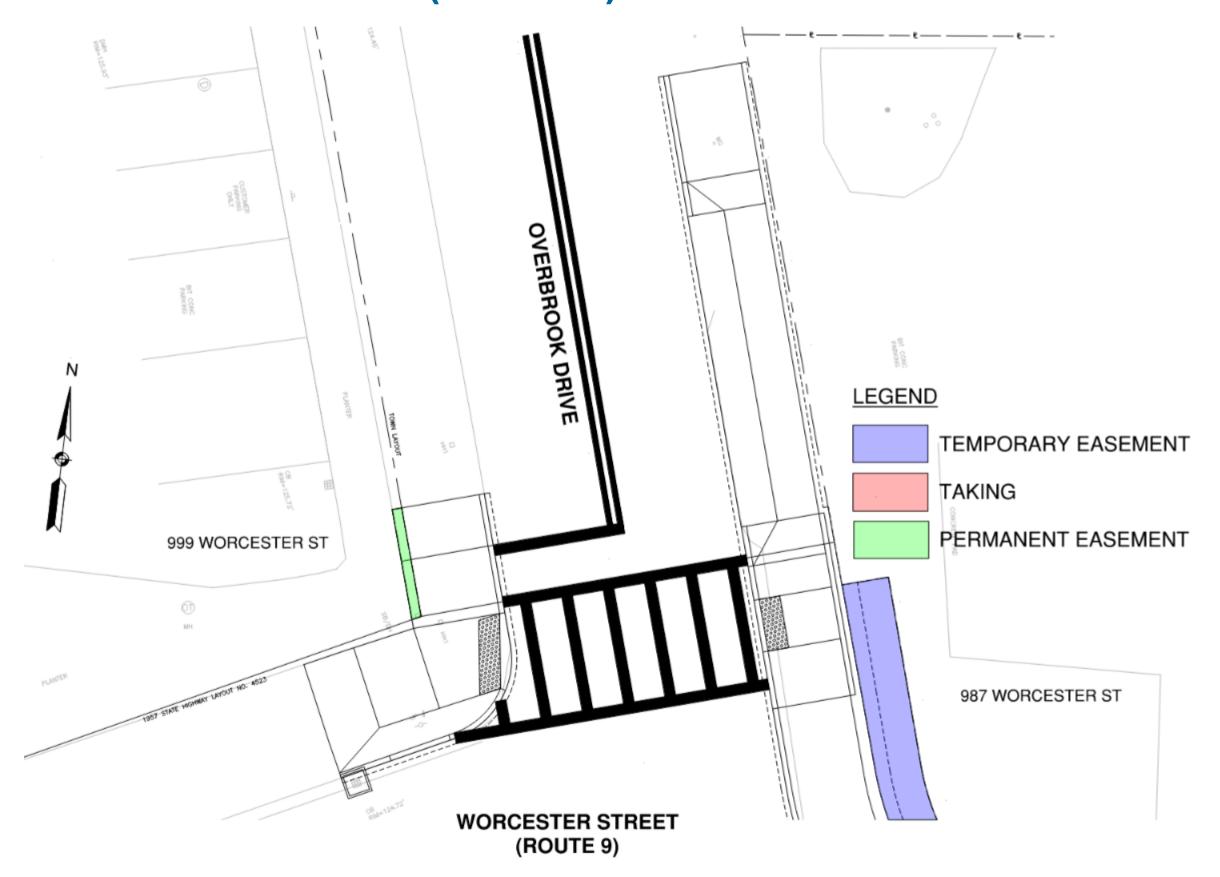
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MAIN STREET



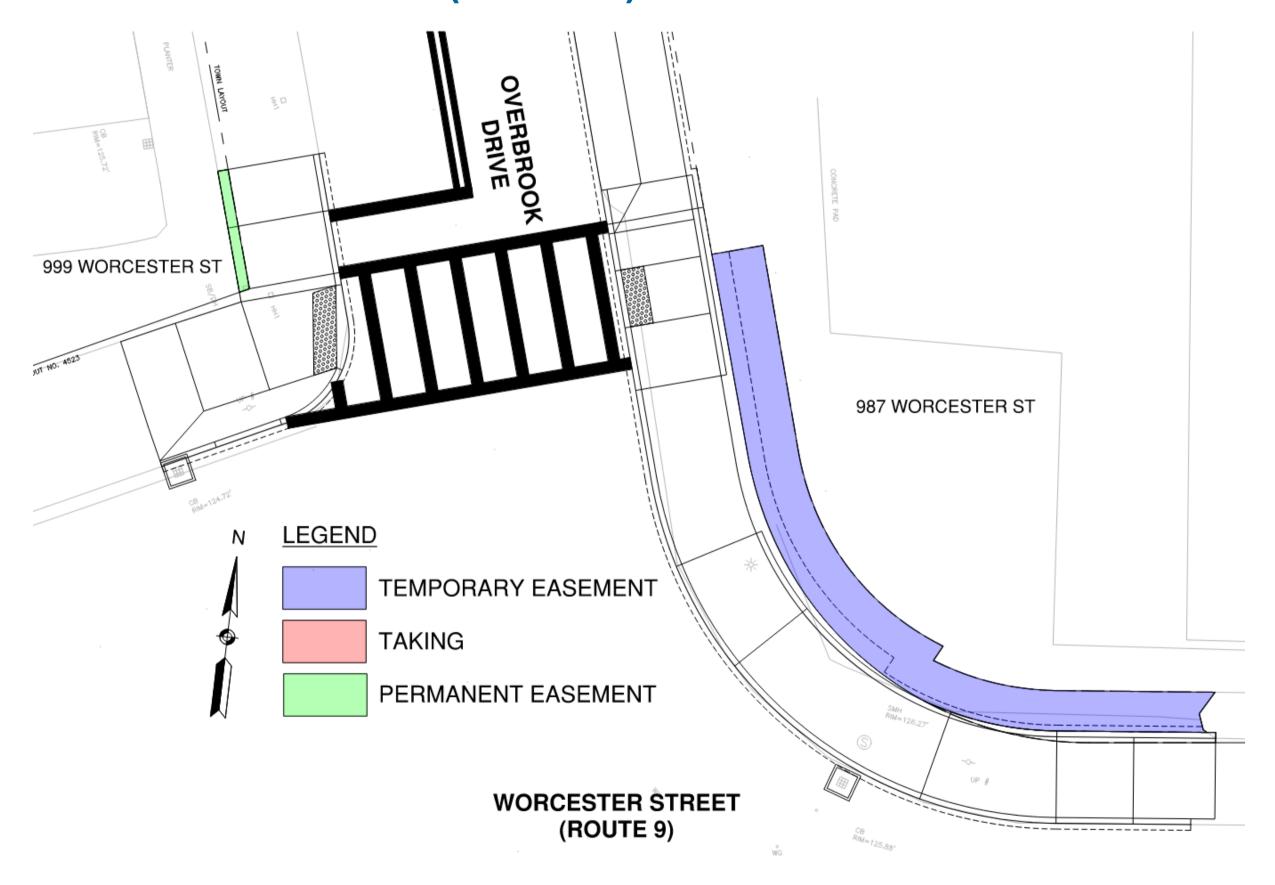


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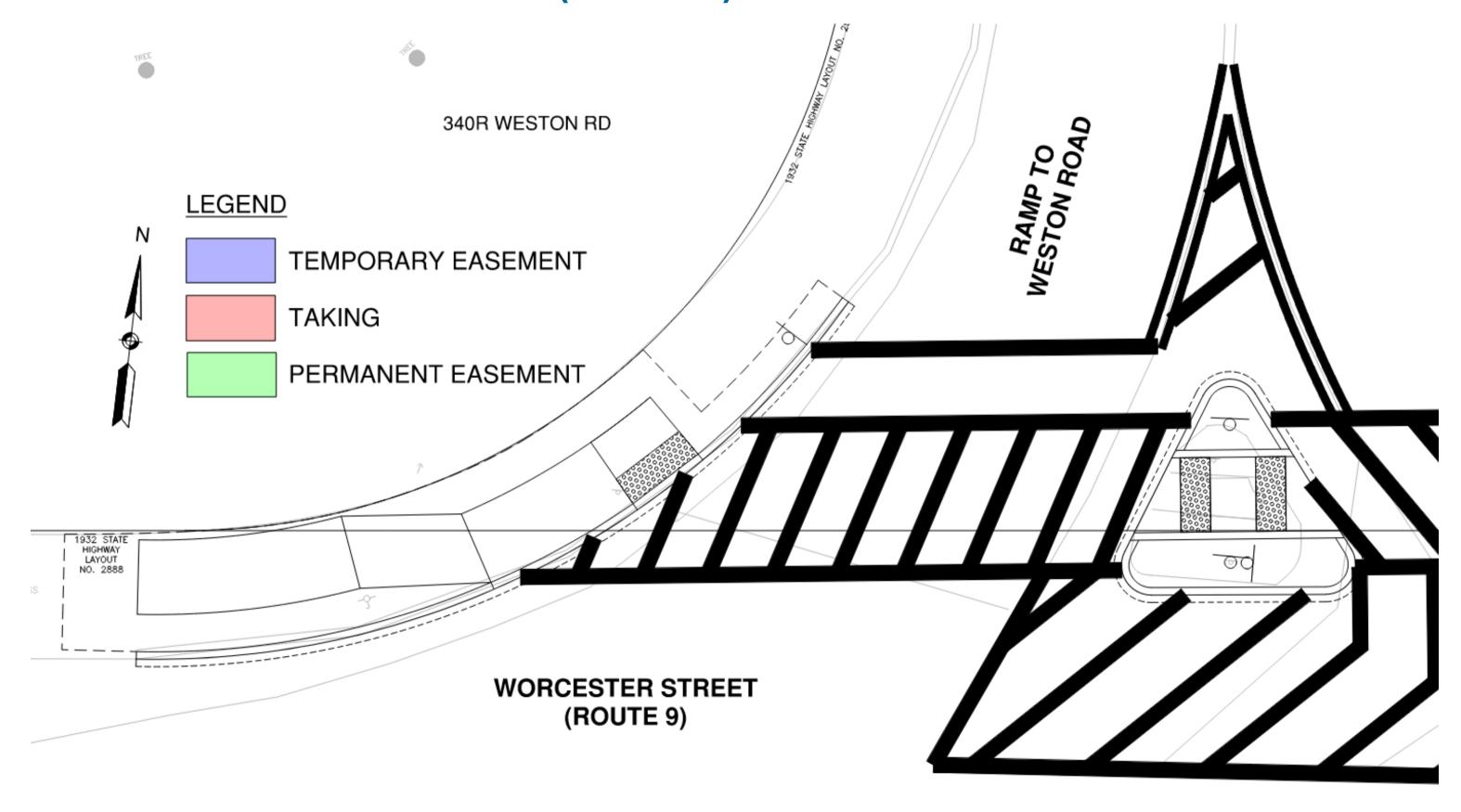


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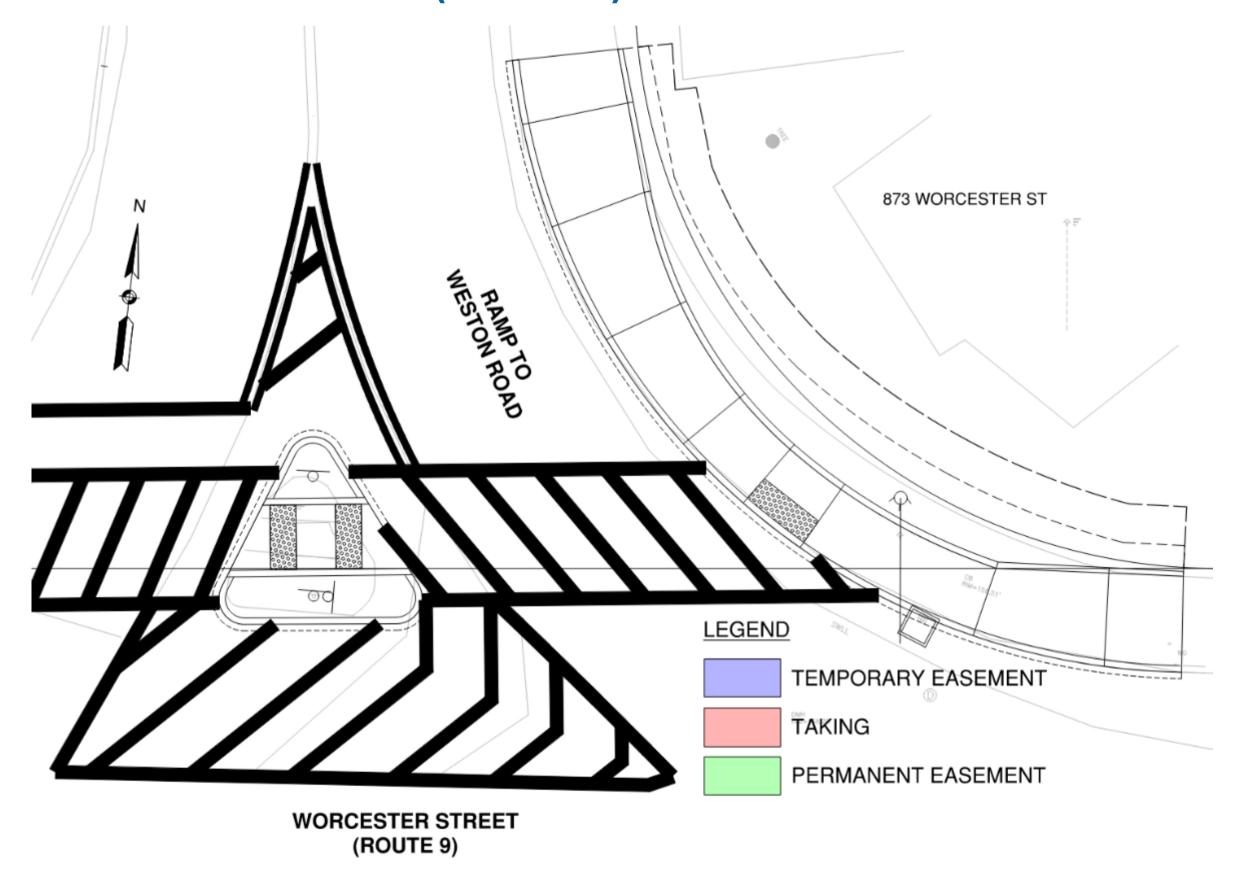


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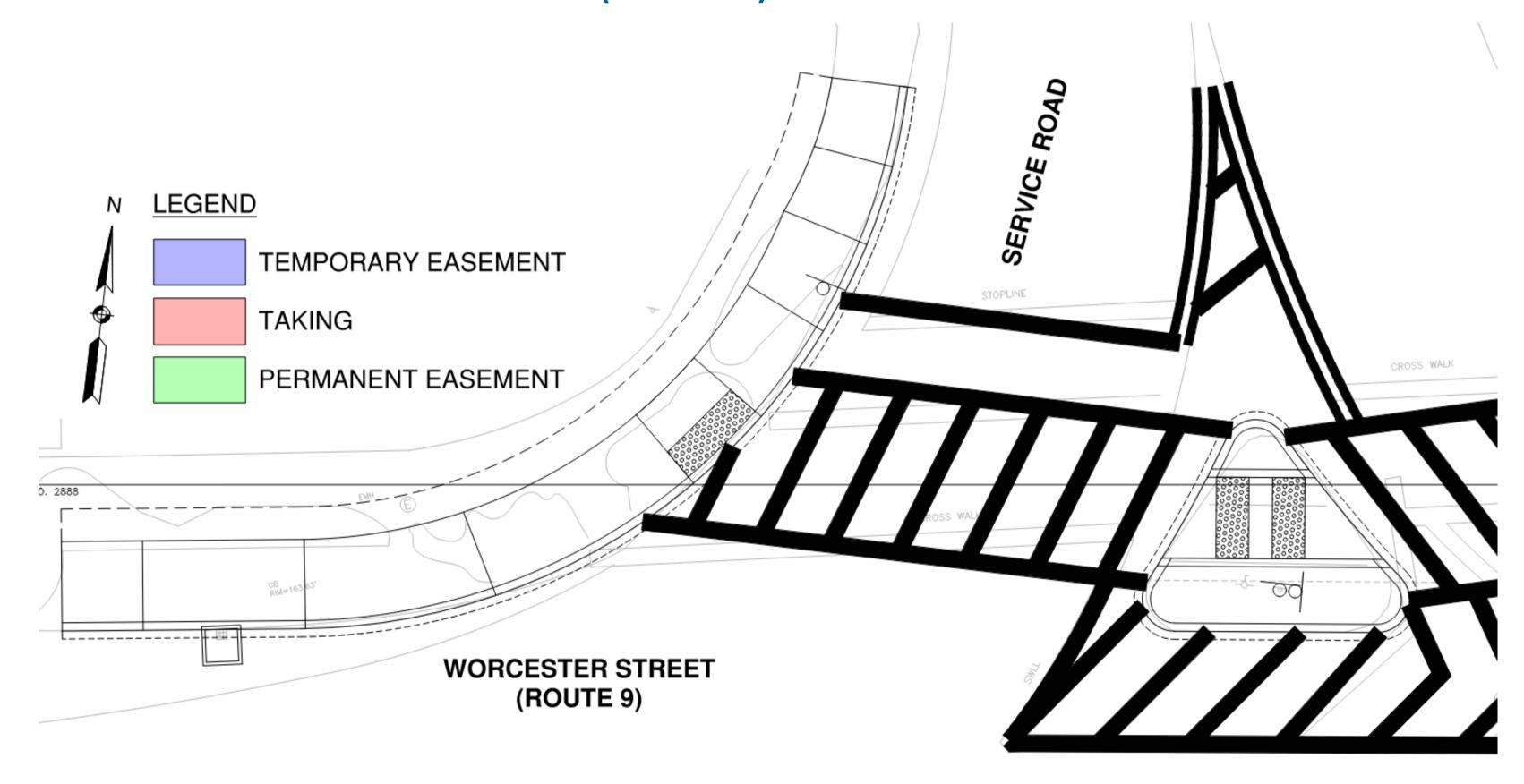


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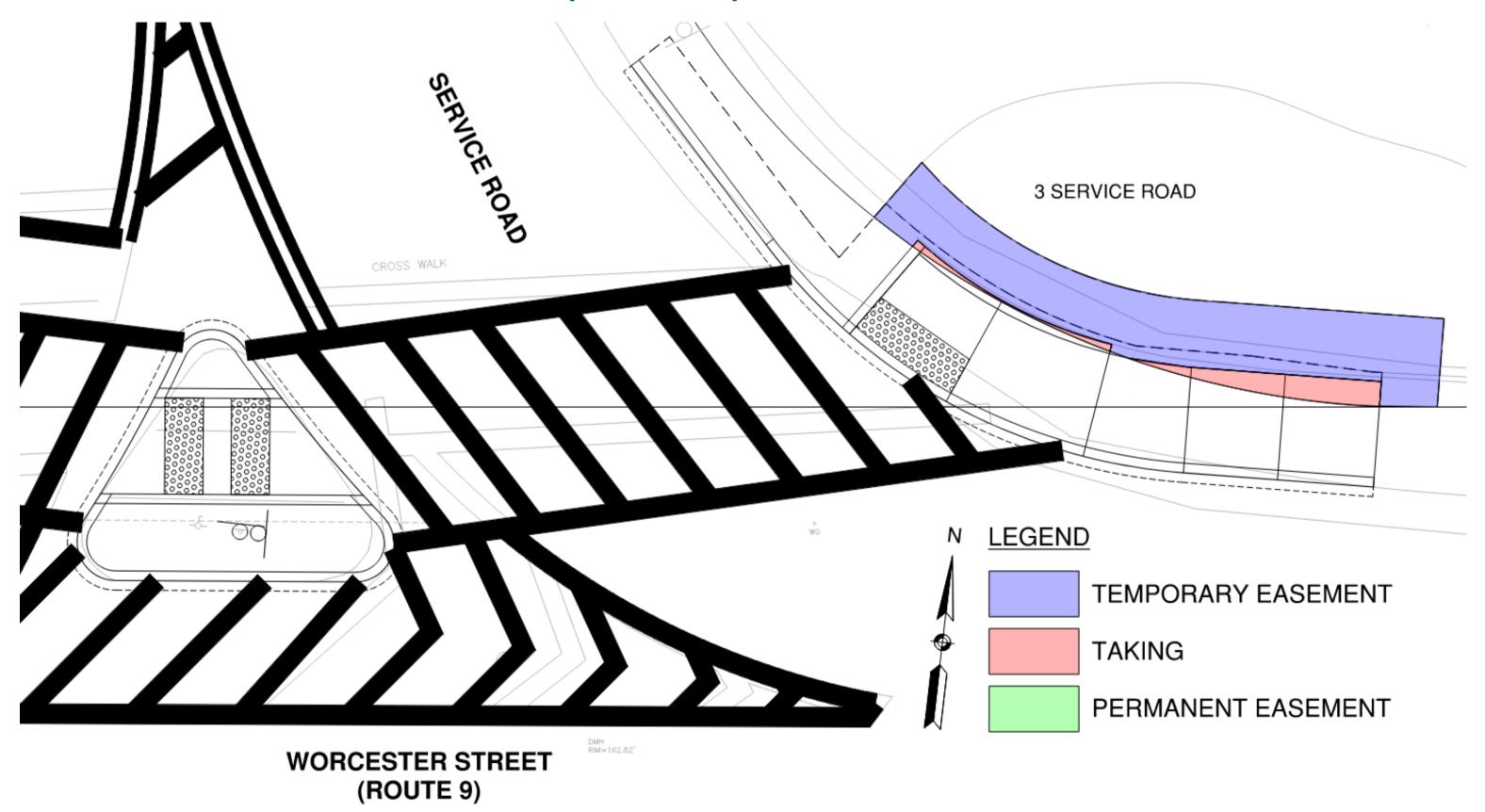


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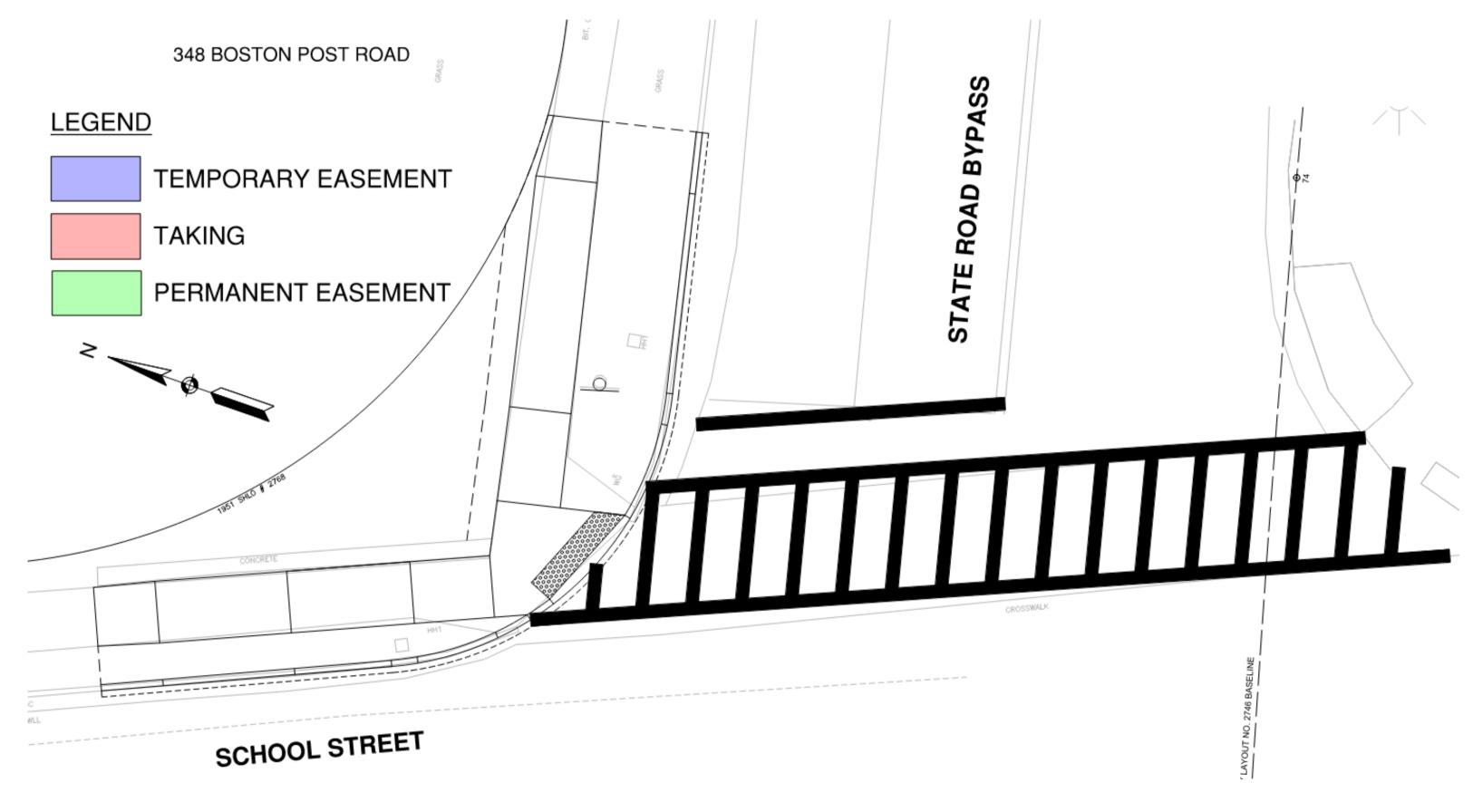


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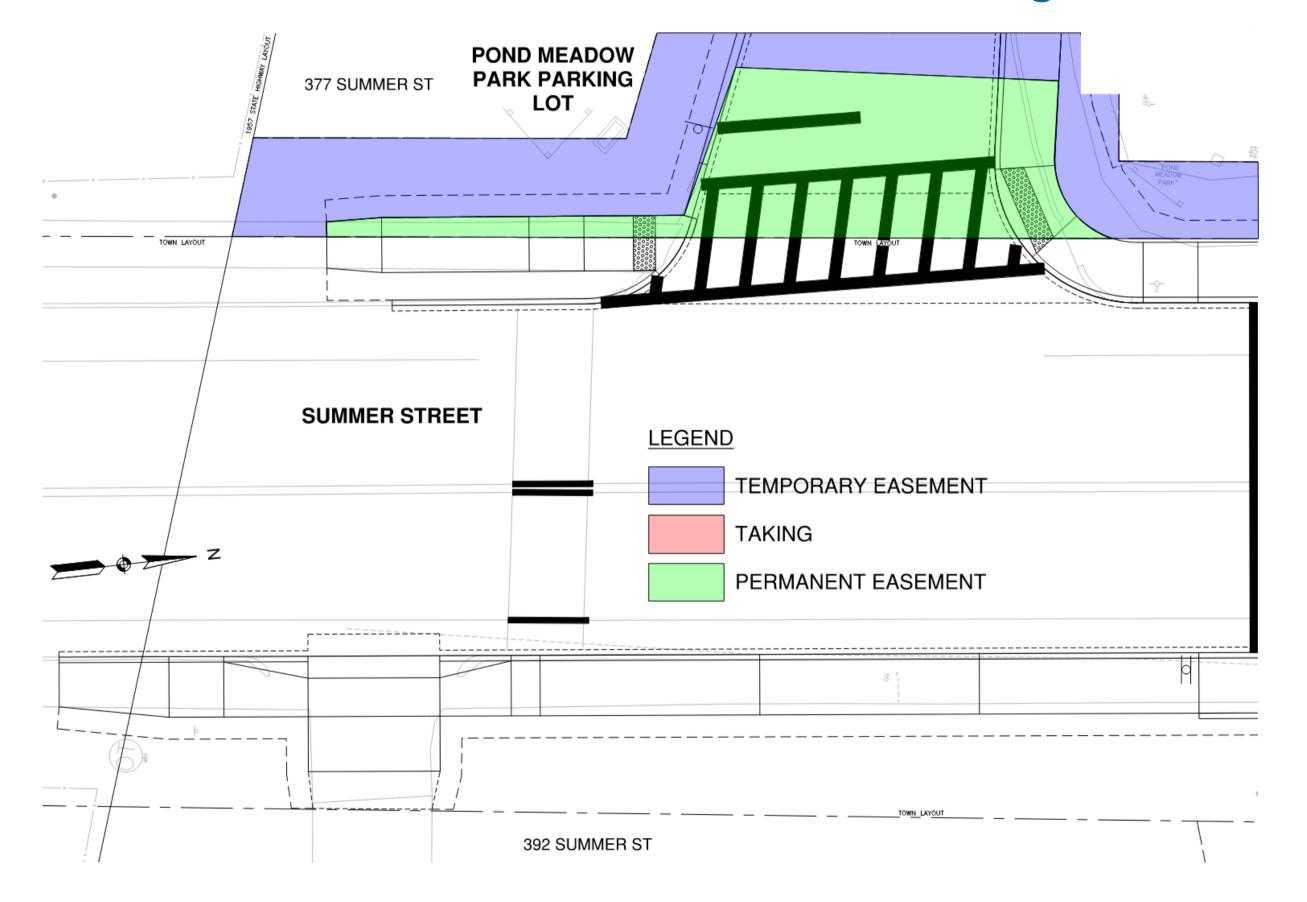


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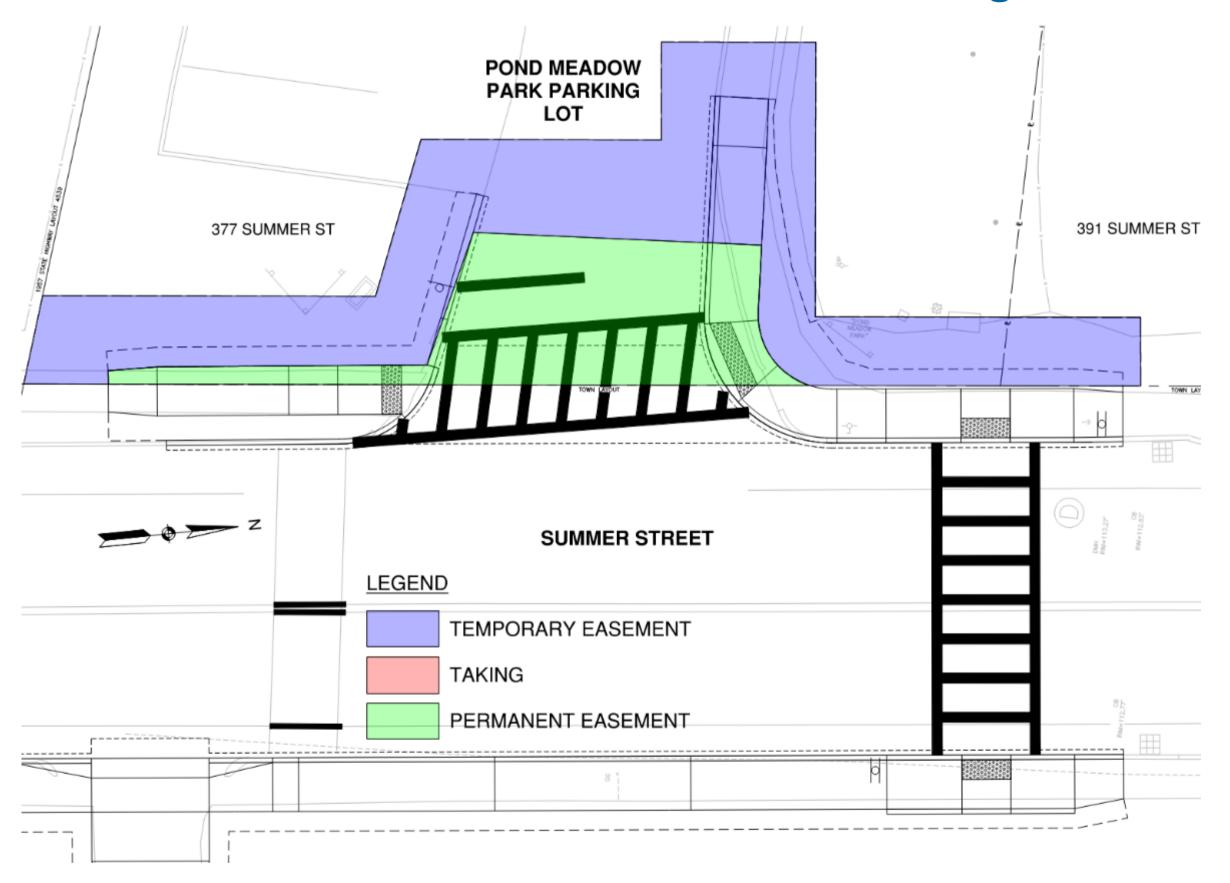


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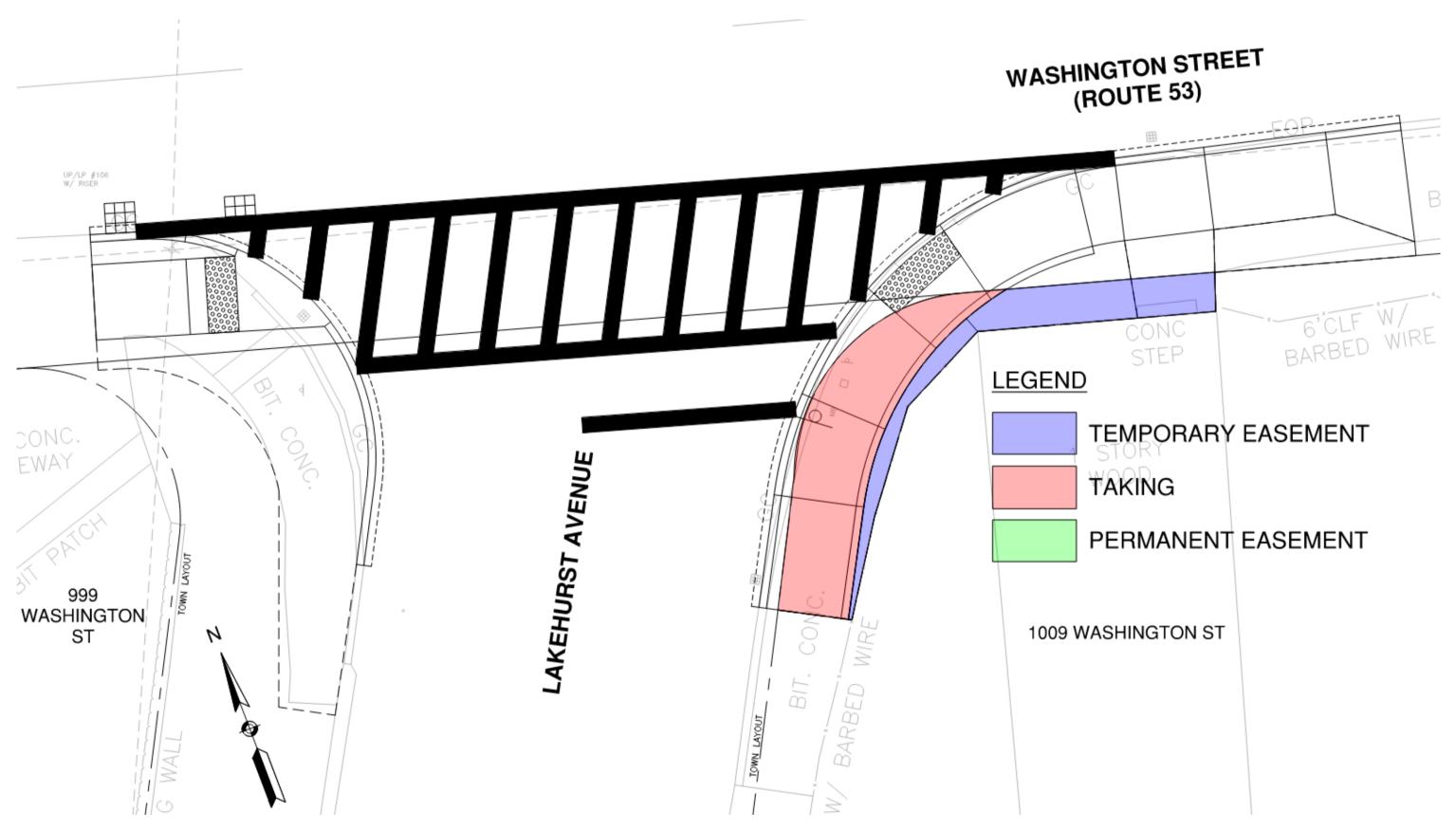


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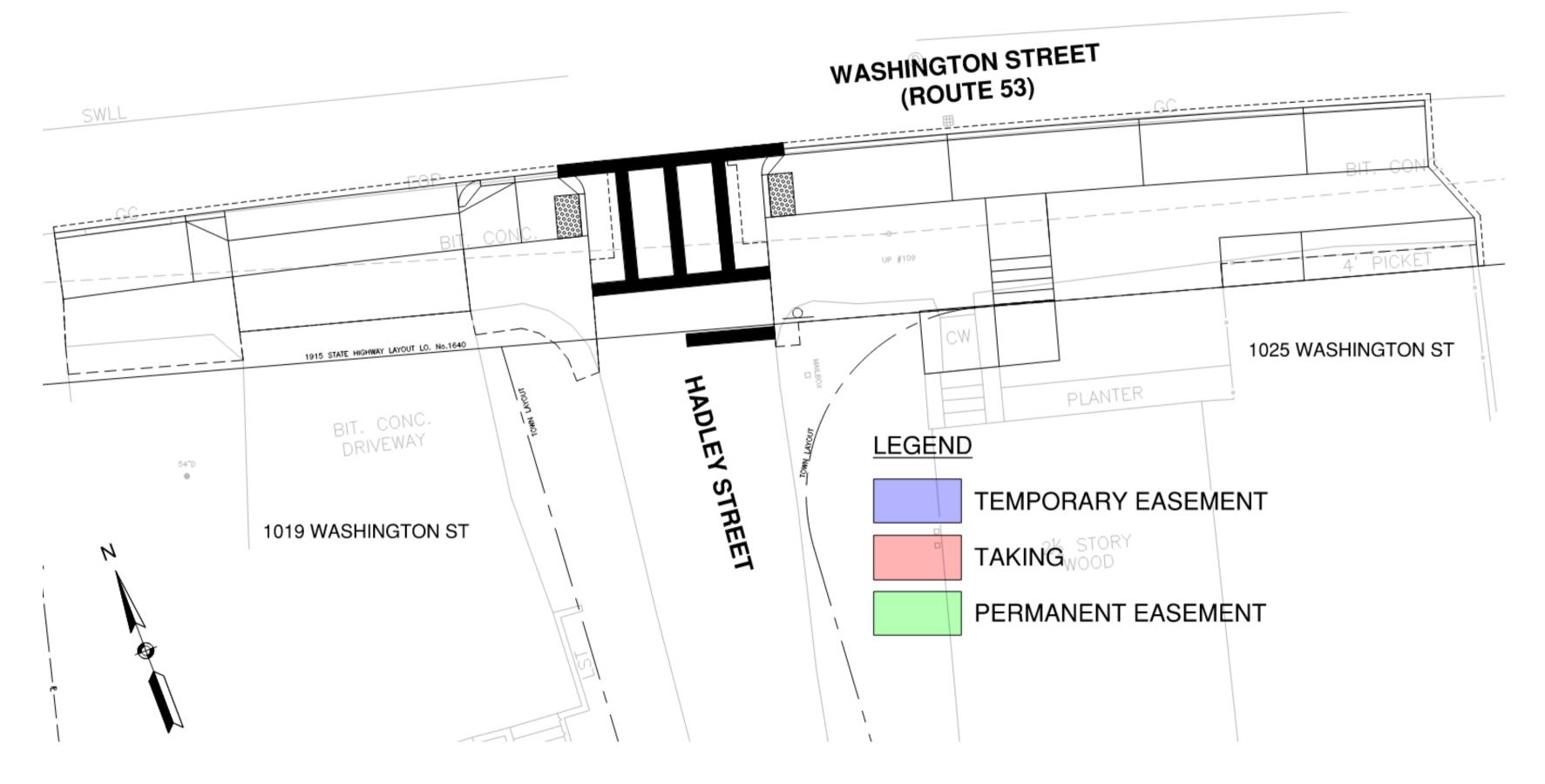


WEYMOUTH – Washington Street (Route 53) at Lakehurst Avenue





WEYMOUTH – Washington Street (Route 53) at Hadley Street







How will your property be impacted?

Right-of-Way Discussion

- MassDOT is responsible for acquiring all necessary rights in public land for design, construction, and implementation of the project.
- Affected property owners will be contacted by personnel from the MassDOT ROW Bureau.
- Procedures must comply with state and federal regulations governing the right-of-way acquisition process.
 - Property owners are protected under Massachusetts General Laws, primarily Chapter 79.
 - If property receives federal funds, property owners are further protected under Title III of the Real Estate Property Act of 1970, as amended.
- Fee takings, permanent easements, and/or temporary construction easements may be required.
- All files of right-of-way plans will be available in your town.

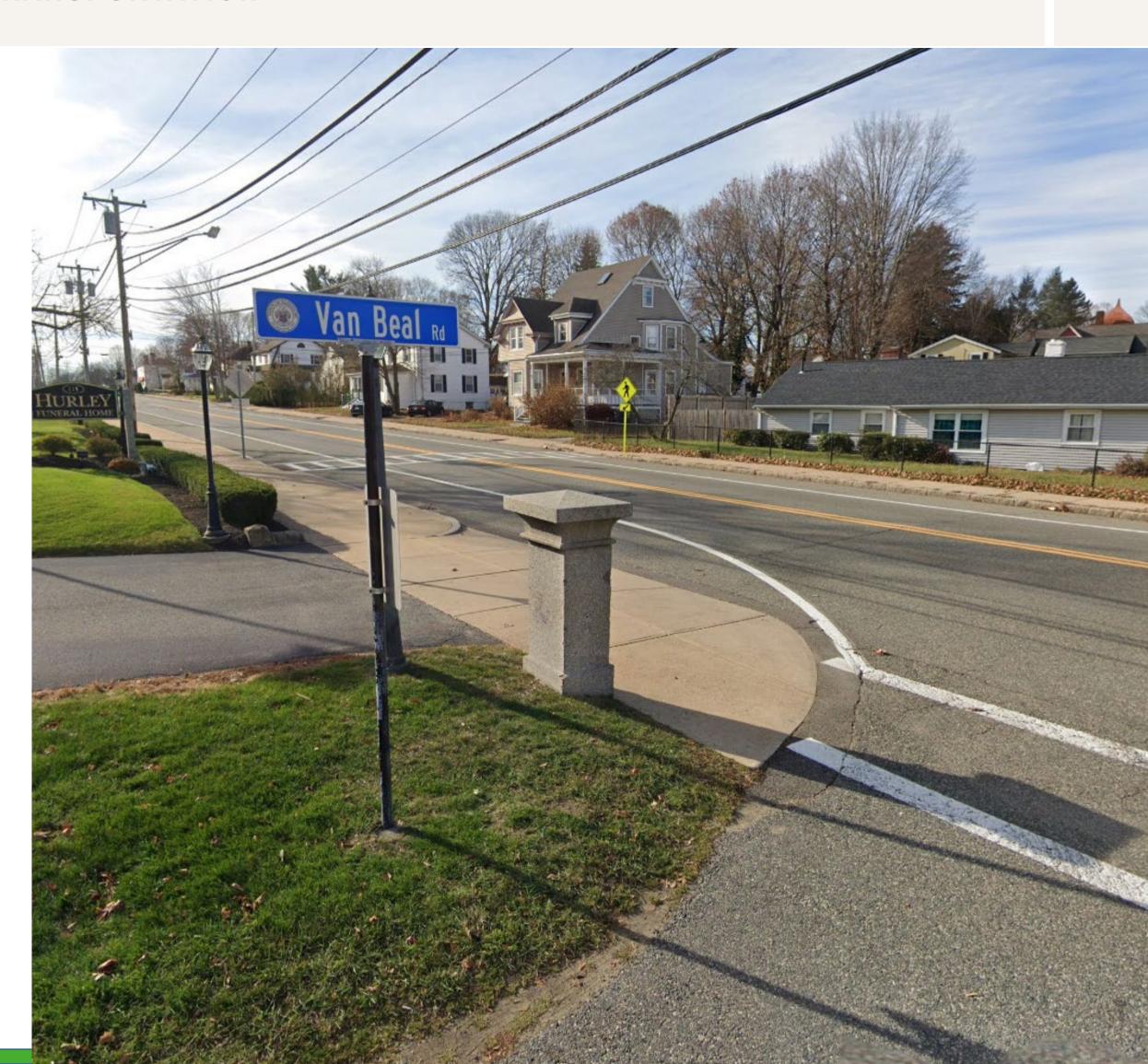




What are the environmental, cultural resource, and community impacts?

Environmental Impacts

- One project site in Braintree is situated within the Coastal Zone of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972
- One project site in Chelsea falls within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage
- One project site in Wellesley and one project site in Weston fall within 100-foot buffer zones of a bordering vegetated wetland, riverfront area
- Various project sites are within the habitat ranges for threatened species such as the Northern Long-eared Bat, the Monarch Butterfly, and the Roseate Tern but no impact to these species is anticipated due to the scope of the project
- Section 4(f) and historic properties have been identified adjacent to the project sites, however no adverse affect to these sites is anticipated due to the scope of the project
- Environmental coordination is ongoing





What is the construction approach?

Construction Process

- Construction to begin Spring 2025 throughout MassDOT District 6.
- Construction duration anticipated to take approximately one year (finish Spring 2026)
- Exact construction schedule of each location to be determined
- Notice will be provided to residents prior to the start of construction





Pedestrian & Bicycle Impacts

- ADA compliance will be provided throughout the project area, including during construction
- Temporary sidewalk and ramp closures will occur in order to reconstruct new facilities
- Temporary pedestrian crossings and pedestrian ramps will be provided during construction
- Temporary traffic conditions will be utilized for bicycle lanes adjacent to sidewalk construction within the project limits



Traffic Impacts

- Minimal impacts to vehicular traffic
- MassDOT reviews all Traffic
 Management Plans (TMPs)
 submitted by the Contractor in accordance with current standards and regulations
- Advanced construction warning signs will be implemented and police details will be utilized when necessary
- Message boards will be implemented on affected roadways
- No long-term road closures or detours will occur as part of this project





Our next steps



Spring 2023
Design Public Hearing



Fall 2023
File Environmental
Permits with Local
Conservation
Commissions



Winter 2024
Design Complete



Spring 2025
Construction Begins



Spring 2026
Construction
Complete





How will we keep you informed?

How to Reach Us

Email comments to:

MassDOTProjectManagement@dot.state.ma.us

Submit written comments to:

Carrie Lavallee, P.E., Chief Engineer

MassDOT

10 Park Plaza

Boston, MA

Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 609473



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Questions and discussion

Questions and Answers



"Raise your hand" to be unmuted for verbal questions (Alt + Y if using a phone)



Submit your questions and comments using the Q&A button



Please state your name before your question



 Please share only 1 question or comment at a time, limited to 2 minutes, to allow others to participate



• To ask a question via phone, dial *9 and the moderator will call out the last 4-digits of your phone number and unmute your audio when it is your turn



 Please take a few minutes to complete the survey after the meeting to let us know how your experience was with this virtual meeting

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