



CANCELED - REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION POSTPONED TO THE 9/24/2024 REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

September 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

<https://juneau.zoom.us/j/85470844745> or 1-253-215-8782 Webinar ID: 854 7084 4745

A. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous people of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. Gunalchéesh!

B. ROLL CALL

C. REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. PSA - September 10 Planning Commission Meeting Cancelled due to technical difficulties

E. BRIEF REVIEW OF THE RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

G. ITEMS FOR RECONSIDERATION

H. CONSENT AGENDA

2. **CSP2024 0002:** City/State Project and Land Action Review Application for installation of roundabout

POSTPONED TO THE 9/24/2024 REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Applicant: State of Alaska

Location: North Douglas Highway

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The applicant requests a State Project Review to replace the signalized intersection of the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard with a single lane roundabout.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Planning Commission adopt the Director's analysis and findings and approve City/State Project CSP2024 0002.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

J. REGULAR AGENDA

- K. OTHER BUSINESS**
- L. STAFF REPORTS**
- M. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- N. LIAISON REPORT**
- O. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
- P. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**
- Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- R. SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**

[3.](#) Additional Materials

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S. ADJOURNMENT

ADA accommodations available upon request: Please contact the Clerk's office 36 hours prior to any meeting so arrangements can be made for closed captioning or sign language interpreter services depending on the meeting format. The Clerk's office telephone number is 586-5278, TDD 586-5351, e-mail: city.clerk@juneau.gov.



INFORMATION RELEASE
September 10, 2024

September 10 Planning Commission Meeting Cancelled

The Planning Commission meeting scheduled for today, Tuesday, September 10 has been cancelled due to technical difficulties.

Items on the agenda will be moved to the next Planning Commission meeting, which will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24.

For the complete CBJ public meetings calendar, visit juneau.org/calendar.

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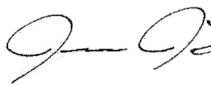
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PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT
STATE PROJECT REVIEW CSP2024 0002
HEARING DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

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155 S. Seward Street • Juneau, AK 99801

DATE: September 3, 2024
TO: Mandy Cole, Chair, Planning Commission
BY: Jay Larson, Planner II 
THROUGH: Jill Lawhorne, Director, AICP

PROPOSAL: Applicant requests a State Project Review to replace the signalized intersection of the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard with a single lane roundabout.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR REVIEW:

- The purpose of this project improves safety for vehicles and pedestrians passing through the Mendenhall Loop Road intersection at Mendenhall Boulevard and Valley Boulevard.
- The project is in compliance with the CBJ Comprehensive Plan and Title 49.15.580

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Property Owner	State of Alaska DOT
Applicant	State of Alaska DOT
Property Address	North Douglas Highway
Legal Description	USGS QUAD B-2 NW Section T40S R66E Copper River Meridian
Parcel Number	0
Zoning	D5
Land Use Designation	DOT ROW
Lot Size	N/A
Water/Sewer	N/A
Access	Mendenhall Loop Rd
Existing Land Use	ROW

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:

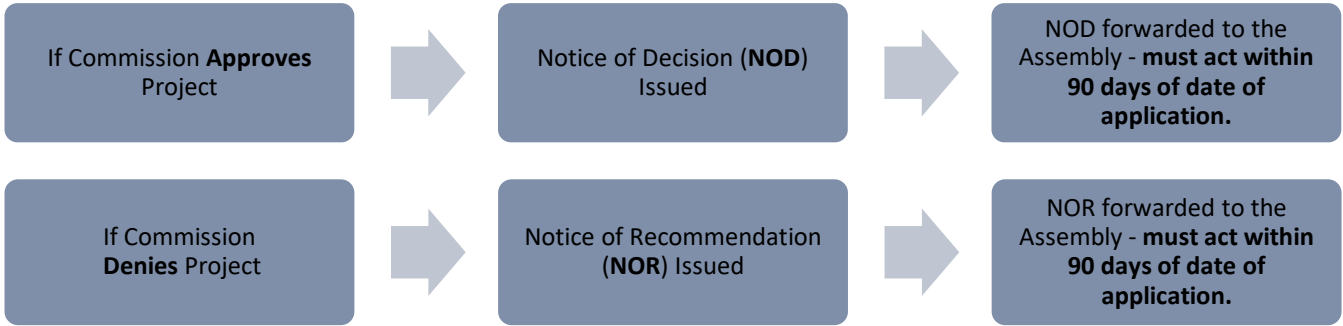
1. **Amend:** amend the recommendation to include conditions and recommend approval to the Assembly.
2. **Deny:** recommend denial of the proposed project. Planning Commission must make its own findings.
3. **Continue:** continue the hearing to a later date if determined that additional information or analysis is needed to make a decision, or if additional testimony is warranted.

ASSEMBLY ACTION REQUIRED:

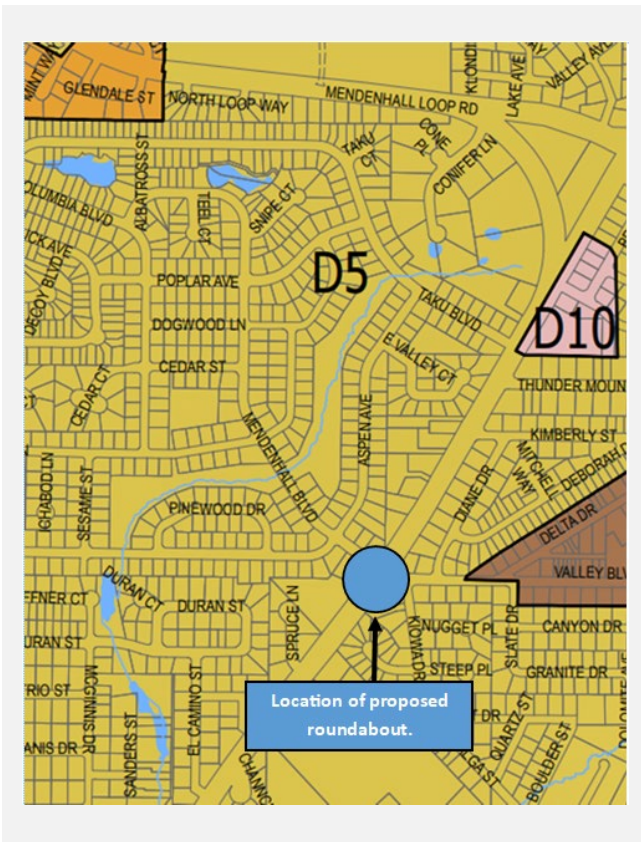
The Notice of Decision or Notice of Recommendation will be forwarded to the Assembly.

STANDARD OF REVIEW:

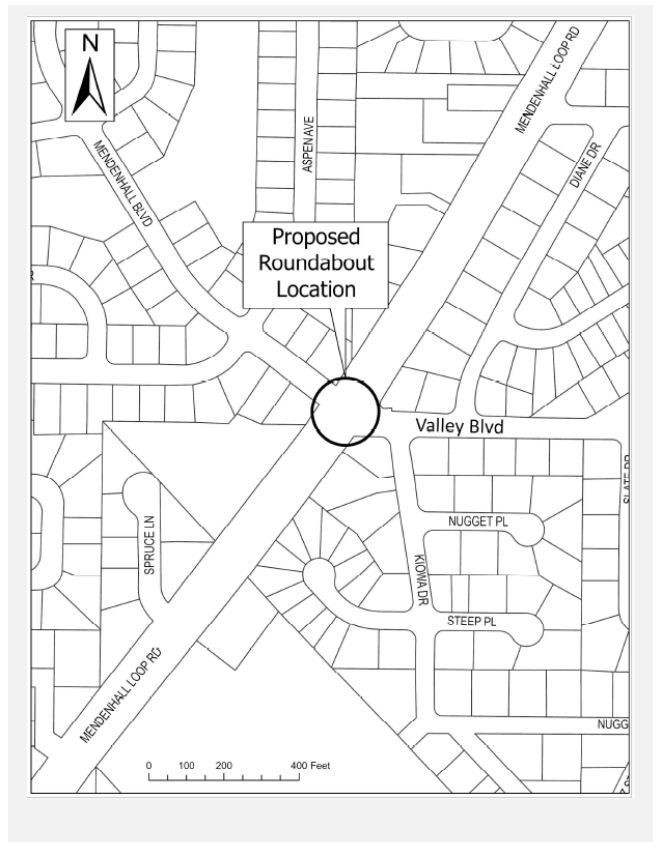
- Quasi-judicial decision
- Requires five (5) affirmative votes for approval
- Code Provisions:
 - CBJ 49.15.580(b)
 - CBJ 49.80



CURRENT ZONING MAP



PROPOSED LOCATION



The Commission shall hear and decide the case per CBJ 49.15.580(b) - State Project Review: *The commission shall review proposed Alaska State capital improvement projects for consistency with this title pursuant to AS 35.30.010 and may impose conditions on and modifications to such projects. If the commission approves or approves with conditions or modifications, a notice of decision shall be issued. A notice of decision becomes final 90 days from the date the project was submitted unless modified or disapproved by the assembly. If the commission disapproves, a notice of recommendation and draft resolution shall be forwarded to the assembly for further action.*

SURROUNDING LAND USES AND ZONING

Direction	Zoning District	Land Use
North	D5	Residential
South	D5	Residential
East	D18	Residential
West	D5	Residential

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project Description – The applicant applied (**Attachment A**) for review of a project which would replace the currently signalized intersection with a single-lane roundabout as a method to improve DOT & PF purposes. This will serve to improve safety conditions for motorized, non-motorized and pedestrian traffic in a previously signalized intersection as recommended in the CBJ Area Wide Transportation Plan.

This is an \$8.5 million project that will include these details (from their application):

- Expand the ROW of the intersection in all directions, particularly in the northern direction.
- Widen road approaching roundabout and adding splitter islands on the approach into the roundabout.
- Adjust underlying hydraulic systems/storm drains to fit the new footprint.
- Potentially reposition or bury electrical poles and lines along part of the Loop Road.
- Install new lights around the roundabout footprint.

Background – This intersection was signalized in 2004. Since then, there have been a series of accidents resulting in minor injuries. The purpose of this project is to improve safety for vehicles and pedestrians passing through the Mendenhall Loop Road intersection.

The table below summarizes relevant history for the subject parcel and proposed development.

Item	Summary
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities	Project narrative describing how the project adheres to CBJ Municipal Code (Attachment A, page 4)
Location Map	Figure 1 – Location of project (Attachment A, page 6)
Project Vicinity Map	Figure 2 – Project Vicinity Map (Attachment A, page 6)
Fastest Path Analysis	Appendix B (Attachment A, page 34)
Truck Turning Analysis	Appendix C (Attachment A, page 36)
Sight Distance Analysis	Appendix D (Attachment A, page 43)

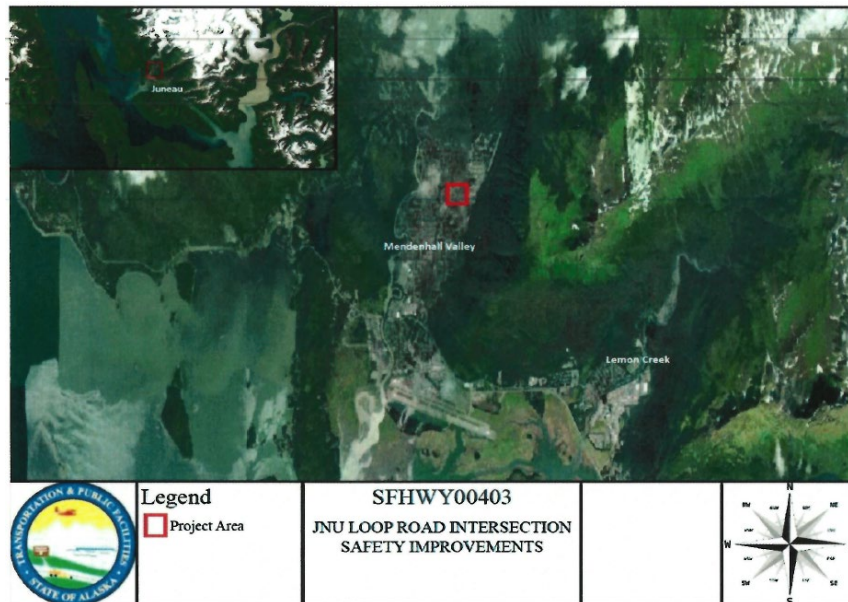


Figure 1 - Location Map



Figure 2 - Project Vicinity Map

Current Conditions – This intersection is currently under the control of signalized devices. The project removes the signals and constructs a single lane roundabout. It would continue to be used as a road way and intersection with all associated pedestrian crossing facilities with an altered configuration.

ZONING ANALYSIS

CBJ 49.05.100 - Purpose and intent. The purpose and Intent of Title 49 Land Use Code is:

- (1) To achieve the goals and objectives, and implement the policies, of the Juneau comprehensive plan, and coastal management program;*
- (2) To ensure that future growth and development in the City and Borough is in accord with the values of its residents;*
- (3) To identify and secure, for present and future residents, the beneficial impacts of growth while minimizing the negative impacts;*
- (4) To ensure that future growth is of the appropriate type, design and location, and is served by a proper range of public services and facilities such as water, sewage, and electrical distribution systems, transportation, schools, parks and other public requirements, and in general to promote public health, safety and general welfare;*
- (5) To provide adequate open space for light and air; and*
- (6) To recognize the economic value of land and encourage its proper and beneficial use.*

Roadway Construction Standard Waivers – CBJ 49.35 Table 240 standards have been met.

Roadway Classification Maps – Minor Arterial

Hazard Areas – Regulatory Floodway. Floodplain Development Permit not required.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Service	Summary
Urban Service Boundary	Within the Urban Service Boundary
Water/Sewer	CBJ/CBJ
Fire Service Area	CBJ
Schools	Valley Baptist Academy Floyd Dryden Middle School
Recreation	Mendenhaven Park

ENVIRONMENTAL, CONSERVATION, HISTORIC, AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

The below table summarizes Conservation, Historic, and Archeological Resources which may be affected by the single-lane roundabout.

Resource	Summary
Anadromous	No Anadromous stream is located near intersection in question.

Historic	No historic designation
Archeological	No known archeological findings

CONFORMITY WITH ADOPTED PLANS

2013 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN VISION: *The City and Borough of Juneau is a vibrant State Capital that values the diversity and quality of its natural and built environments, creates a safe and satisfying quality of life for its diverse population, provides quality education and employment for its workers, encourages resident participation in community decisions and provides an environment to foster state-wide leadership.*

2013 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN - The proposed text amendment is in compliance with the 2013 Comprehensive Plan.			
Chapter	Page No.	Item	Summary
8	119	Policy 8.8 The Mendenhall Valley	<p>The proposed project proposes needed improvements on Mendenhall Loop Rd by creating better traffic flow and improves safety for vehicles and pedestrians.</p> <p>8.8 - IA10 Work with ADOT&PF to undertake roadway capacity, vehicular turning movement, bus pullouts and pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements within the Urban Service Area where an existing intersection Level of Service on the state route is compromised (LOS D or worse); priority improvements should be given to intersections that would serve new high-density housing developments.</p>

AGENCY REVIEW

CDD conducted an agency review comment period between August 5, 2024, and August 19, 2024. The following agency review comments were received.

Name	Summary
Teri Rehfeldt, CBJ Sr. Planner, CFI	I have reviewed these plans with ADOT thoroughly in the past and have confirmed that the project does not impact a Special Flood Hazard Area and does not need a Floodplain Development Permit.
Building Department	No comments received
Engineering Department	No comments received
Fire Department	No comments received

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Abutters were sent to the surrounding area and published online, stating the Alaska Department of Transportation is proposing to replace the signalized intersection of Mendenhall Blvd and Valley Blvd with a single-lane roundabout. No Public comments were submitted.

FINDINGS

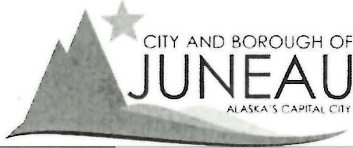
In accordance with CBJ 49.15.580 staff finds the proposed roundabout complies with Title 49 Land Use Code and is in general conformity with adopted plans, specifically the 2013 Comprehensive Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Planning Commission adopt the Director's analysis and findings and forward a recommendation of APPROVAL to the CBJ Assembly for the roundabout.

STAFF REPORT ATTACHMENTS

Item	Description
Attachment A	Application Packet
	Figure 1: Fastest Path Analysis
	Figure 2: Truck Turning Analysis
	Appendix A: Sight Distance Analysis
	Appendix B: Abutters Notice and Public Notice Sign Photo
	Appendix C: Public Comments
Attachment B	Abutters Notice and Public Notice Sign Photo
Attachment C	Agency Comments
Attachment D	Public Notice sign photo near intersection



DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

NOTE: Development Permit Application forms must accompany all other Community Development Department land use applications. This form and all documents associated with it are public record once submitted.

To be completed by Applicant	PROPERTY LOCATION		
	Physical Address Intersection of Mendenhall Loop Road, Mendenhall Boulevard, and Valley Boulevard		
	Legal Description(s) (Subdivision, Survey, Block, Tract, Lot) USGS QUAD Juneau B-2 NW Section T40S R66E Copper River Meridian		
	Parcel Number(s) Mendenhall Loop Road, intersection of Mendenhall Boulevard and Valley Boulevard		
	<input type="checkbox"/> This property is located in the downtown historic district <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This property is located in a mapped hazard area, if so, which <u>Regulatory Floodway</u>		
	LANDOWNER/ LESSEE		
	Property Owner State of Alaska	Contact Person Nathan Purves	
	Mailing Address PO Box 112506, Juneau, Alaska 99801	Phone Number(s) 907-465-4509	
	E-mail Address nathan.purves@alaska.gov		
	LANDOWNER/ LESSEE CONSENT		
Required for Planning Permits, not needed on Building/ Engineering Permits. Consent is required of all landowners/ lessees. If submitted with the application, alternative written approval may be sufficient. Written approval must include the property location, landowner/ lessee's printed name, signature, and the applicant's name.			
I am (we are) the owner(s) or lessee(s) of the property subject to this application and I (we) consent as follows: A. This application for a land use or activity review for development on my (our) property is made with my complete understanding and permission. B. I (we) grant permission for the City and Borough of Juneau officials/employees to inspect my property as needed for purposes of this application.			
_____ Landowner/Lessee (Printed Name) Title (e.g.: Landowner, Lessee)			
X _____ Landowner/Lessee (Signature) Date			
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X _____ Landowner/Lessee (Signature) Date			
NOTICE: The City and Borough of Juneau staff may need access to the subject property during regular business hours. We will make every effort to contact you in advance, but may need to access the property in your absence and in accordance with the consent above. Also, members of the Planning Commission may visit the property before a scheduled public hearing date.			
APPLICANT			
If same as LANDOWNER, write "SAME"			
Applicant (Printed Name) Connor Brown, Environmental Impact Analyst 1	Contact Person Benjamin Storey, Nathan Purves		
Mailing Address PO Box 112506, Juneau, Alaska 99811-2500	Phone Number(s) 907-465-4443		
E-mail Address connor.brown@alaska.gov, nathan.purves@alaska.gov			
X Connor M Brown Digitally signed by Connor M Brown Date: 2024.04.15 15:06:59 -08'00' Applicant's Signature		04/15/2024 Date of Application	

-----DEPARTMENT USE ONLY BELOW THIS LINE-----

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

For assistance filling out this form, contact the Permit Center at 586-0770.

Intake Initials
Case Number CSP24-002
Date Received 4/16/24



CITY/STATE PROJECT AND LAND ACTION REVIEW APPLICATION

See reverse side for more information regarding the permitting process and the materials required for a complete application.

NOTE: Must be accompanied by a DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION form.

To be completed by Applicant

PROJECT SUMMARY
 We are proposing a project to replace the signalized intersection at Mendenhall Loop Road-Mendenhall Boulevard-Valley Boulevard with a single lane roundabout.

TYPE OF PROJECT REVIEW: City Project Review State Project Review

PROJECT NUMBERS ASSOCIATED WITH PROPOSAL:

Is this project associated with any other Land Use Permits? YES Case No.: _____ NO

Capital Improvement Program # (CIP) _____

Local Improvement District # (LID) _____

State Project # SFHWY00403

ESTIMATED PROJECT COST: \$ 8,500,000

ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS ATTACHED

Complete application

Pre-Application notes (if applicable)

Narrative including:

- Current use of land or building(s)
- Proposed use of land or building(s)
- How the proposed project complies with the Comprehensive Plan
- How the proposed project complies with the Land Use Code (Title 49)

Site Plan (details on page 2)

NOTE: This application is required even if the proposed project is associated with other Land Use permits.

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CITY/STATE PROJECT FEES	Fees	Check No.	Receipt	Date
Application Fees (≥\$2.5M)	\$ 1,600 ⁰⁰			
Pub. No. Sign Fee	\$ 150 ⁰⁰			
Pub. No. Sign Deposit	\$ 100 ⁰⁰			
TOTAL FEES	\$ 1,750			

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For assistance filling out this form, contact the Permit Center at 586-0770.

Case Number	Date Received
CSP24-002	4/16/24

City/State Project and Land Action Review Information

City and State project review is outlined in CBJ 49.15.580

Each application for a City/State Project is reviewed by the Planning Commission at a public hearing. The permit procedure is intended to provide the Commission the flexibility necessary to make recommendations tailored to individual applications.

Application: An application for a City/State Project Review will not be accepted by the Community Development Department until it is determined to be complete. The items needed for a complete application are:

1. **Forms:** Completed City/State Project Review Application and Development Permit Application forms.
2. **Fees:** No application fee required for projects that cost less than \$2.5 million. For projects costing more than this amount, the fee is \$1,600.00. All City/State Project and Land Action Applications must pay public notice sign fees. All fees are subject to change.
3. **Project Narrative:** A detailed narrative describing the project.
4. **Plans:** All plans are to be drawn to scale and clearly show the items listed below:
 - a. Plat, site plan, floor plan and elevation views of existing and proposed structures and land;
 - b. Existing and proposed parking areas, including dimensions of the spaces, aisle width and driveway entrances;
 - c. Proposed traffic circulation within the site including access/egress points and traffic control devices;
 - d. Existing and proposed lighting (including cut sheets for each type of lighting);
 - e. Existing and proposed vegetation with location, area, height and type of plantings; and,
 - f. Existing physical features of the site (i.e. drainage, eagle trees, hazard areas, salmon streams, wetlands, etc.)

Document Format: All materials submitted as part of an application shall be submitted in either of the following formats:

1. Electronic copies in the following formats: .doc, .txt, .xls, .bmp, .pdf, .jpg, .gif, .xlm, .rtf (other formats may be preapproved by the Community Development Department).
2. Paper copies 11" X 17" or smaller (larger paper size may be preapproved by the Community Development Department).

Application Review & Hearing Procedure: Once the application is determined to be complete, the Community Development Department will initiate the review and scheduling of the application. This process includes:

Review: As part of the review process the Community Development Department will evaluate the application for consistency with all applicable City & Borough of Juneau codes and adopted plans. Depending on unique characteristics of the permit request the application may be required to be reviewed by other municipal boards and committees. Review comments may require the applicant to provide additional information, clarification, or submit modifications/alterations for the proposed project.

Hearing: All City/State Project Review Permit Applications must be reviewed by the Planning Commission. Once an application has been deemed complete and has been reviewed by all applicable parties the Community Development Department will schedule the requested permit for the next appropriate meeting. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation based on staff's analysis and forward it to the Assembly for final approval/denial.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED



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Public Facilities

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April 08, 2024

JNU Loop Road - Valley Boulevard Intersection Safety Improvements HSIP
Federal ID: 0966030
State ID: SFHWY00403

Project Narrative Describing how the JNU Loop Road – Valley Boulevard Intersection Safety Improvements HSIP Project Adheres to Municipal Code

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is proposing to replace the signalized intersection of the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard with a single lane roundabout. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a description of the project and describe how it adheres to municipal code.

The purpose of this project improve safety for cars passing through the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard. The intersection in question has been signalized since 2004 and has been the site of a series of crashes, most resulting in minor injuries.

As a method to improve purpose DOT&PF proposes to replace the currently existing signalized intersection with a single lane roundabout.

During this project DOT&PF would propose to:

- Expand the ROW of the intersection in all directions, particularly in the northern direction.
- Widen road approaching roundabout and adding splitter islands on the approach into the roundabout.
- Adjust underlying hydraulic systems/storm drains to fit the new footprint.
- Potentially reposition or bury electrical poles and lines along part of the Loop Road.
- Install new lights around the roundabout footprint.

Land Use

Most of the land which would be used in this project is already in use for an existing roadway intersection between Mendenhall Loop Road, Mendenhall Boulevard, and Valley Boulevard. It would continue to be used as a road way and intersection with all associated pedestrian crossing facilities with an altered configuration and removed traffic signals.

“Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure.”

We would anticipate the project to involve permanent easements on several parcels adjacent to the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard intersection, including parcels ID 5B2401120040, 5B2401140160, 5B401600010, and 5B2401010011. We would not anticipate any relocations because of the project.

Of the affected parcels currently 5B2401120040 and 5B2401010011 are in use as private residential properties, the specific slivers which are anticipated as requisitioned easements would be in use for roadside utilities and potentially the edge of a private yard in parcel 5B2401120040. Parcel 5B2401140160 was previously acquired by DOT and is currently an empty lot which would have be subject to significant easement acquisition, and parcel 5B2401600010 is in use as the base of a cell and radio tower station and cannot be subject to acquisitions to the point of removing the station, though easements would be acquired up to the point of the fence to accommodate repositioned non-motorized path and expanded road.

Compliance

This project is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan of the City and Borough. It takes place entirely within developed urban area, making no expansions to sprawl and is shaped to make minimal expansion of the roadway footprint, and will not block access to or use of buildable land from latest study shown in the Comprehensive Plan. The project is within FAA 7460 Contours but will neither involve nor result in a structure over 200 feet.

The project will serve to improve safety conditions for motorized, non-motorized, and pedestrian traffic in a previously signaled intersection as recommended in the City and Borough of Juneau Area Wide Transportation Plan. As a part of the intersection’s reconstruction walking/non-motorized vehicle paths will be rearranged and refurbished in a manner befitting the Juneau Safe Routes to School Plan.

The proposed project is in compliance with the Land Use Code (Title 49). Public notice has been carried out properly including published notices in public spaces, publicly open meetings where the proposed project was presented and comments were taken, and letters sent to various stakeholders and jurisdictional agencies including the City and Borough of Juneau. Corner sight distance, street width, and turn length all in accordance with CBJ 49.35. Signage, Striping, and Grading Plans were all planned in compliance with both the NCHRP Report 1043 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (2009), and the Alaska Traffic Manual (2016).

Sincerely,

Connor M Brown
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Enclosures:
City/State Project and Land Action Review applications

Project Plan Sheets

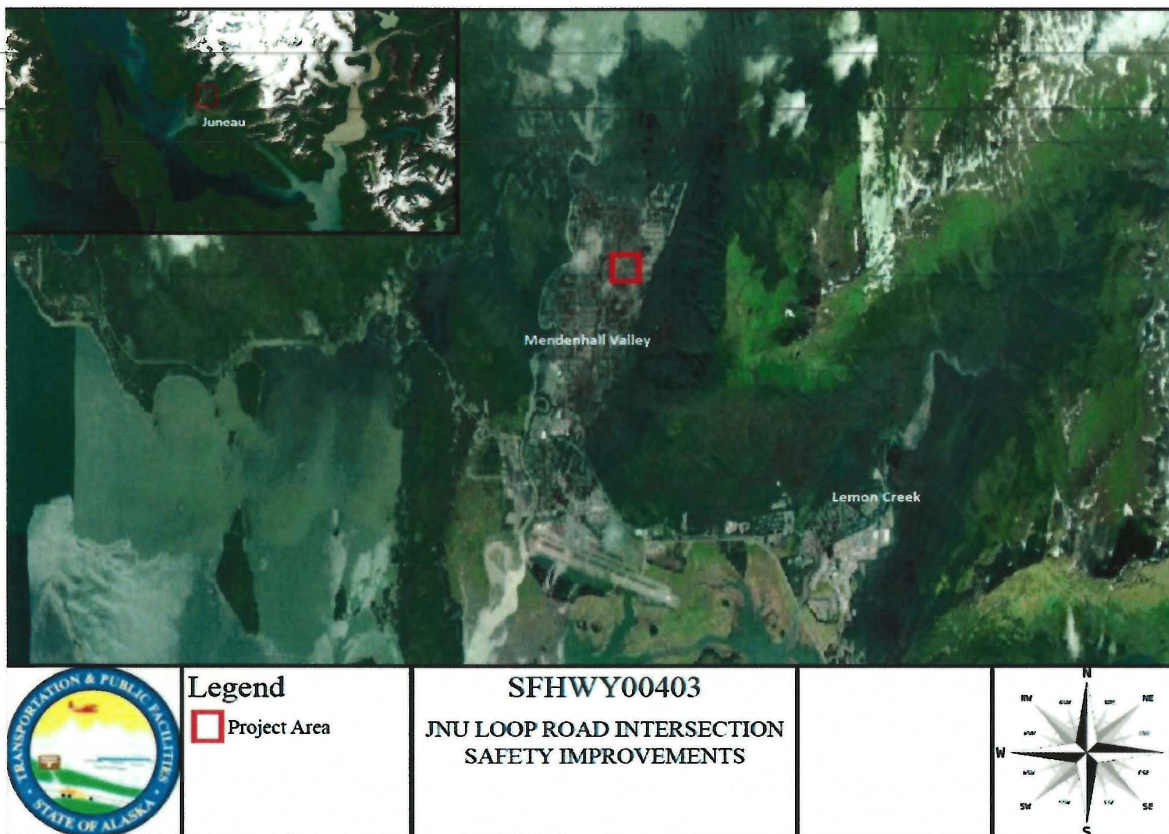
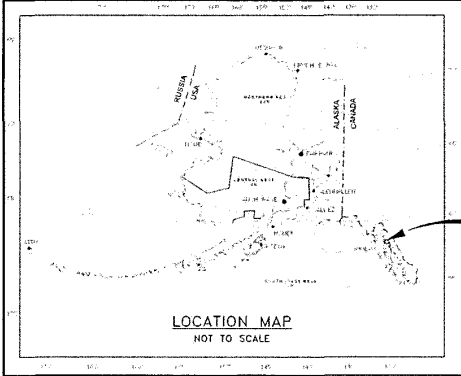


Figure 1 - Location Map



Figure 2 - Project Vicinity Map



PROJECT LOCATION

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
&
PUBLIC FACILITIES

PROPOSED HIGHWAY PROJECT

SFHWY00403/0966030

JNU LOOP ROAD – VALLEY BLVD
INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS – HSIP

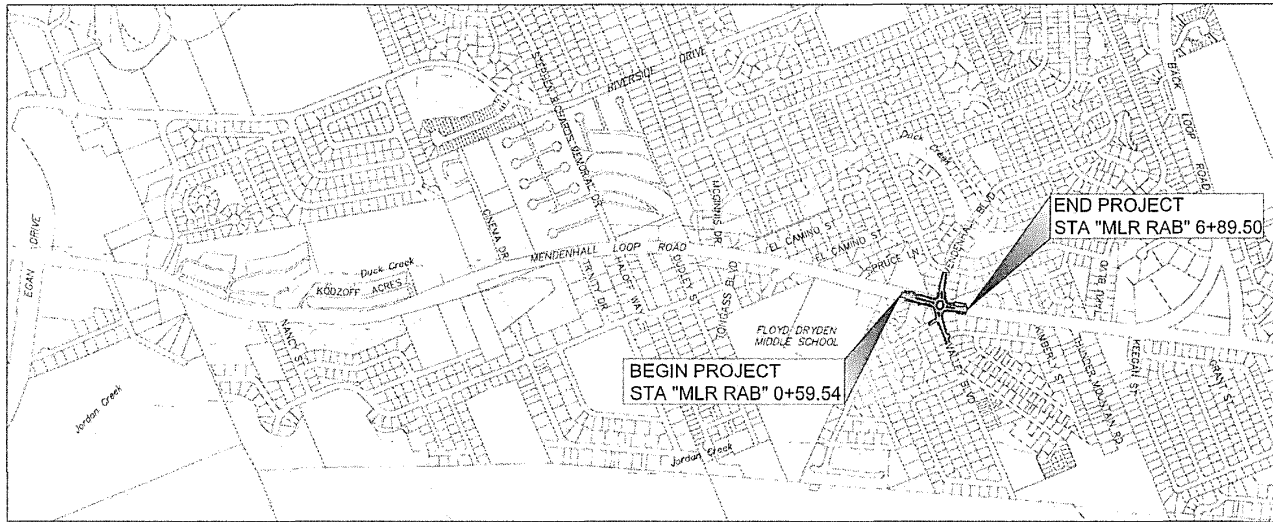
GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, & ILLUMINATION

NO.	DATE	REVISION	STATE	PROJECT DESIGNATION	YEAR	SHEET #	TOTAL SHEETS
			AL- P-2	SFHWY00403/0966030	2024	A1	A3

INDEX OF SHEETS	
SHEET NO.	DESCRIPTION
A1	TITLE SHEET
A2-A3	SHEET LAYOUT, GENERAL NOTES, LEGEND, & ABBREVIATIONS
B1-B4	TYPICAL SECTIONS
F1-F9	PLAN & PROFILE
S1-S5	CONSTRUCTION PHASING PLANS
T1-T5	TRAFFIC CONTROL PLANS (AND/OR DEVICES)

THE FOLLOWING DOT&PF STANDARD PLANS APPLY TO THIS PROJECT:
C-04.12, C-05.20, C-06.00, D-01.02, D-04.22, D-07.00, D-09.00, D-22.01,
D-23.01, D-24.00, D-26.04, F-01.04, F-03.02, I-20.20, I-21.12, I-22.11,
L-03.11, L-23.03, L-30.11, M-13.01, M-16.01, M-20.15, M-23.13, S-00.12,
S-01.02, S-05.02, S-20.11, S-30.05, S-31.02, T-20.04, T-21.04, T-22.04

THE FOLLOWING CITY & BOROUGH OF JUNEAU (CBJ) STANDARD
DETAILS APPLY TO THIS PROJECT:
203, 205, 206A, 209, 218, 407, 412



VICINITY MAP

DESIGN DESIGNATIONS	
FUNCTIONAL CLASS	MINOR ARTERIAL
ADT (2016)	16,230
ADT (2030)	16,800
ADT (2040)	17,230
DHY EXISTING YEAR	1,970
DHY MID-LIFE YEAR (2030)	2,020
DHY DESIGN YEAR (2040)	2,070
PERCENT TRUCKS (T)	6.35%
DIRECTIONAL SPLIT (D)	55/45
DESIGN SPEED (V)	45 MPH
DESIGN ESAL'S (30 YEARS)	5,450,000

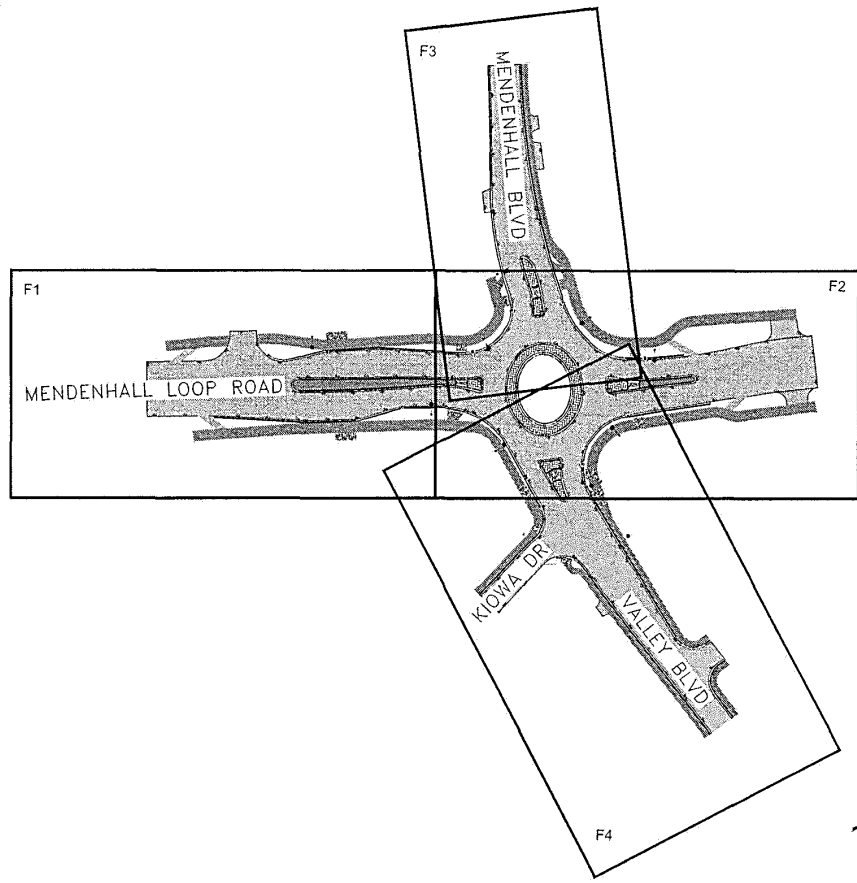
PROJECT SUMMARY	
MENDENHALL LOOP ROAD MP 0.39 TO MP 0.51	
WIDTH OF PAVEMENT	44-58 FEET
LENGTH OF GRADING	0.12 MILES
LENGTH OF PAVING	0.12 MILES
LENGTH OF PROJECT	0.12 MILES

STEVEN K. NOBLE, P.E., PROJECT MANAGER
RYAN A. STEPHENS, P.E., DESIGN ENGINEER
PLANS DEVELOPED BY: DOWL

STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES	
DESIGNED BY	DATE
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APPROVED BY	DATE

PLANS FOR REVIEW
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CONSTRUCTION

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ALIGNMENT DESIGNATIONS		
ALIGNMENT NAME	ABBREVIATION	SHEET
MENDENHALL LOOP ROAD ROUNDABOUT CENTERLINE	"MLR-RAB"	F1-F2
MENDENHALL BOULEVARD	"MB+VB"	F3
VALLEY BOULEVARD	"MB+VB"	F4
KIOWA DRIVE	"KD"	F4
INNER CIRCULATORY	"IC"	F5
NORTHWEST CURB RETURN	"NWC"	F6
NORTHEAST CURB RETURN	"NWC"	F7
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SOUTHWEST CURB RETURN	"SWC"	F9

GENERAL NOTES

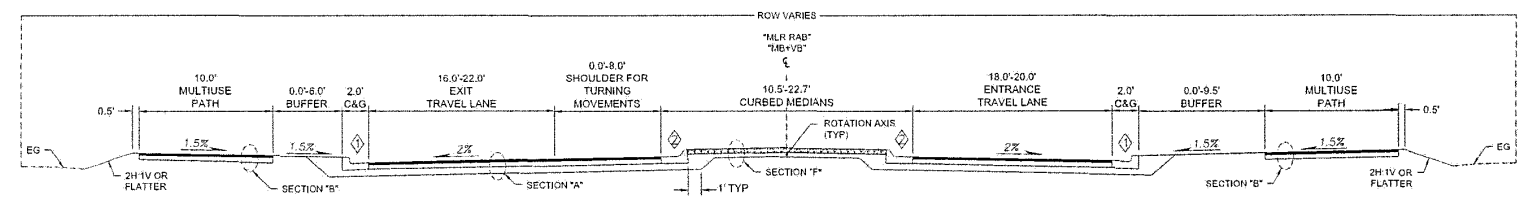
1. ADJUST ALL SANITARY SEWER MANHOLES, FIRE HYDRANTS AND WATER VALVES TO MATCH PROPOSED GRADES, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
2. LOCATION OF EXISTING UTILITIES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY. CERTIFY EXACT LOCATIONS BY OBTAINING UTILITY LOCATES, FIELD LOCATES AND EXERCISING CAUTION DURING EXCAVATION.
3. RIGHT-OF-WAY LINES AND PROPERTY LINES ARE SHOWN FOR GENERAL INFORMATION PURPOSES. SEE RIGHT-OF-WAY MAPS FOR LOCATION AND SURVEY CONTROL FOR PROPERTY LINES AND RIGHT-OF-WAY LINES.
4. BUS SHELTERS TO BE PROVIDED BY AND INSTALLED BY C&I.

SHEET LAYOUT & GENERAL NOTES

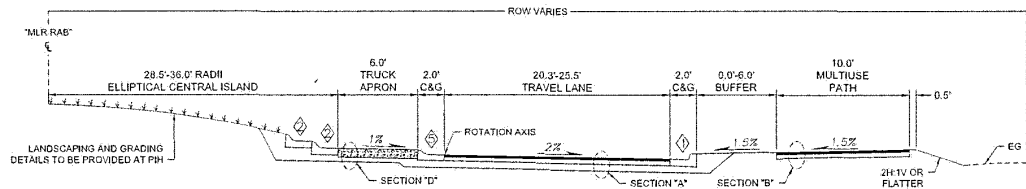


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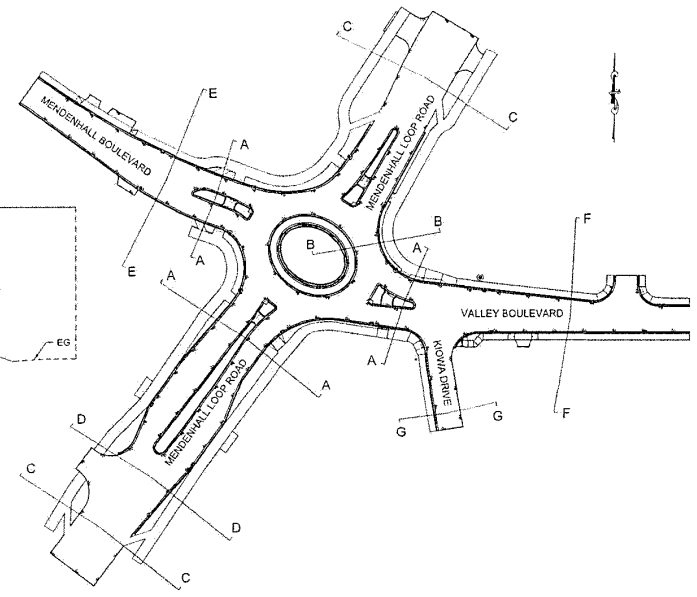
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ROUNDABOUT SECTION A-A
 STA "MLR RAB" 1+95 TO STA "MLR RAB" 5+77
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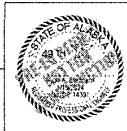
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 CENTER CIRCLE
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MENDENHALL BOULEVARD / VALLEY BOULEVARD ROUNDABOUT
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 STA "MB+VB" 21+47 TO STA "MB+VB" 28+24

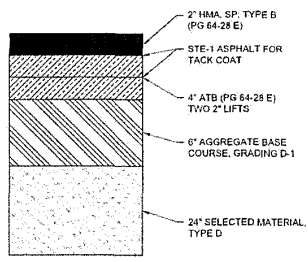
- CURB LEGEND**
- ◆ STANDARD CURB & GUTTER
 - ◆ MOUNTABLE CURB & GUTTER
 - ◆ VALLEY GUTTER
 - ◆ 4-INCH MOUNTABLE CURB & GUTTER
 - ◆ TRUCK APRON CURB & GUTTER

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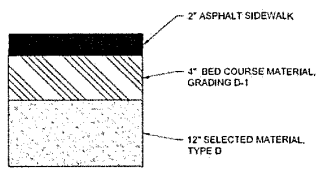


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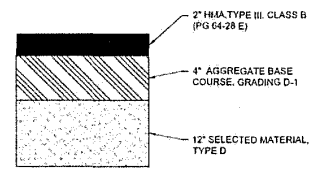
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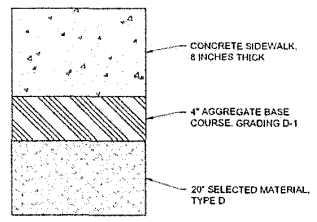
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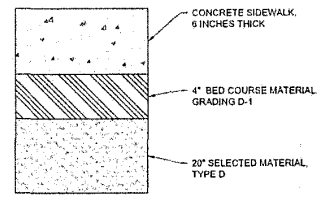
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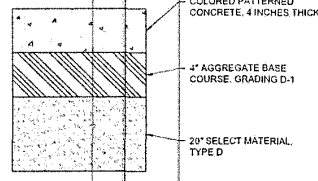
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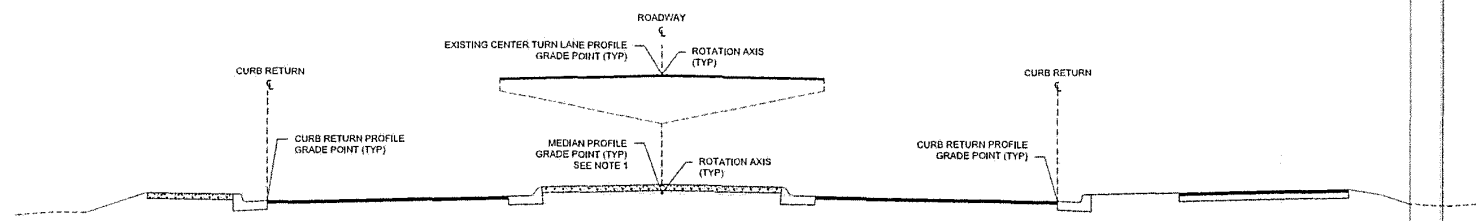
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CONCRETE MEDIANS
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NOTES

1. IN CUT OR FILL AREAS WITHIN THE EXISTING ROAD BED, EXISTING SUBGRADE CAN BE LEFT IN PLACE AND REUSED. ADD SELECTED MATERIAL, TYPE D, AS NEEDED TO MEET GRADES.
2. IN FILL AREAS OUTSIDE THE EXISTING ROAD BED, CONTRACTOR SHALL USE SELECTED MATERIAL, TYPE D.

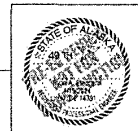


CONTROL AND ROTATION AXIS POINT LAYOUT FOR TYPICAL SECTIONS
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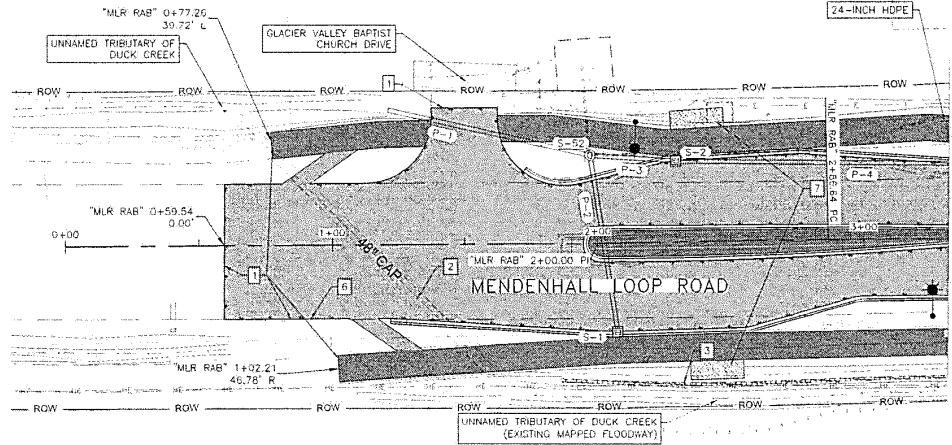
1. PROFILE GRADE POINT OF MEDIANS EQUALS THE EXTENSION OF THE TOP OF ASPHALT OF THE DRIVING SURFACE TO THE ALIGNMENT CENTERLINE.
2. PATHWAY ALIGNMENTS AND PROFILES WILL BE PROVIDED AT PH.

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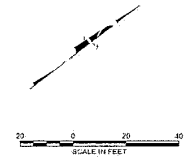


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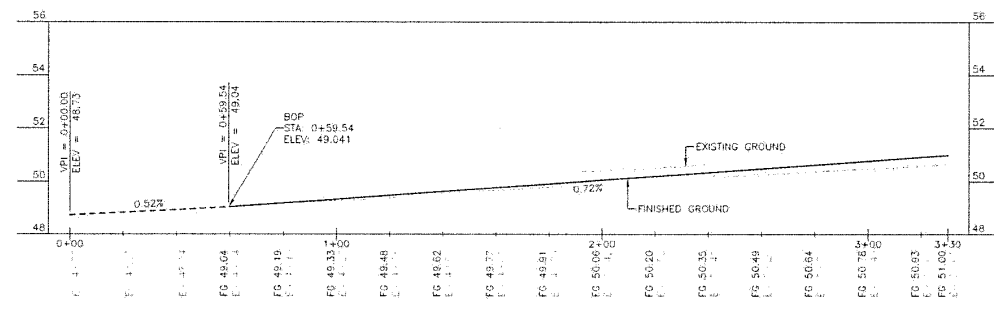
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- CONSTRUCTION NOTES:**
1. MATCH TO EXISTING
 2. PRESERVE & PROTECT EXISTING 48" CAP
 3. PRESERVE & PROTECT EXISTING CONCRETE BLOCK RETAINING WALL
 4. ADJUST TO FINISHED GRADE ALL VALVE BOXES, MANHOLES, AND OTHER UTILITIES WITH THE PROJECT LIMITS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
 5. EXISTING UTILITIES IN CONFLICT WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO BE RELOCATED BY OTHERS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN
 6. DEMOLISH EXISTING ACCESS BETWEEN EDGE OF ROADWAY AND EDGE OF PATHWAY
 7. CONSTRUCT CONCRETE BUS STOP PAD, SHELTER STRUCTURE TO BE FURNISHED AND INSTALLED BY CEJ.

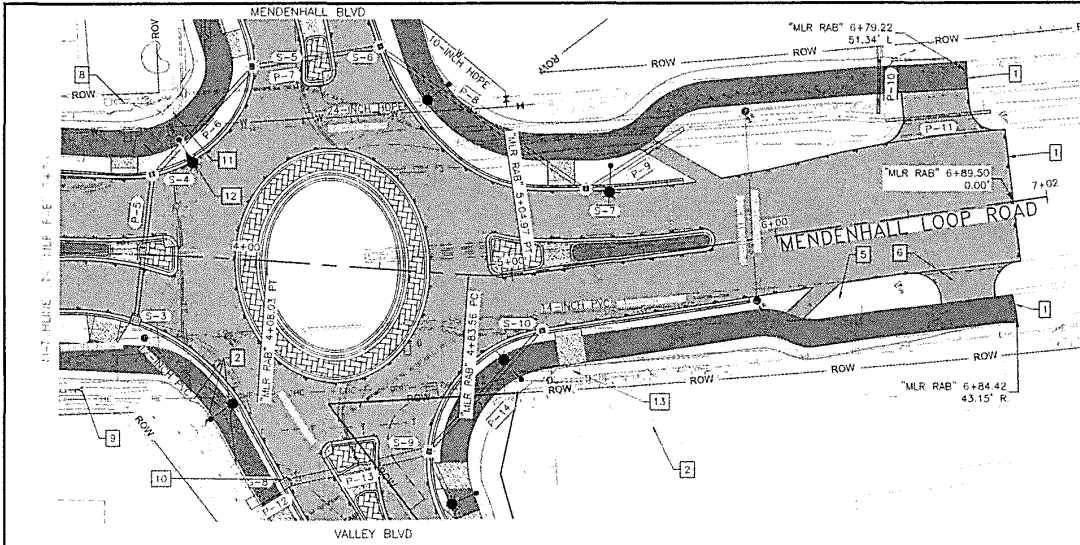


- NOTES TO REVIEWER:**
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 2. NEW SIGN LOCATIONS AND SIGN DETAILS WILL BE SHOWN AT THE PIH SUBMITTAL.
 3. ALIGNMENT GEOMETRY NOT SHOWN IN PLAN VIEW TO REDUCE CLUTTER THIS INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE PIH SUBMITTAL.



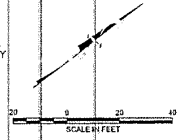
MENDENHALL LOOP ROAD

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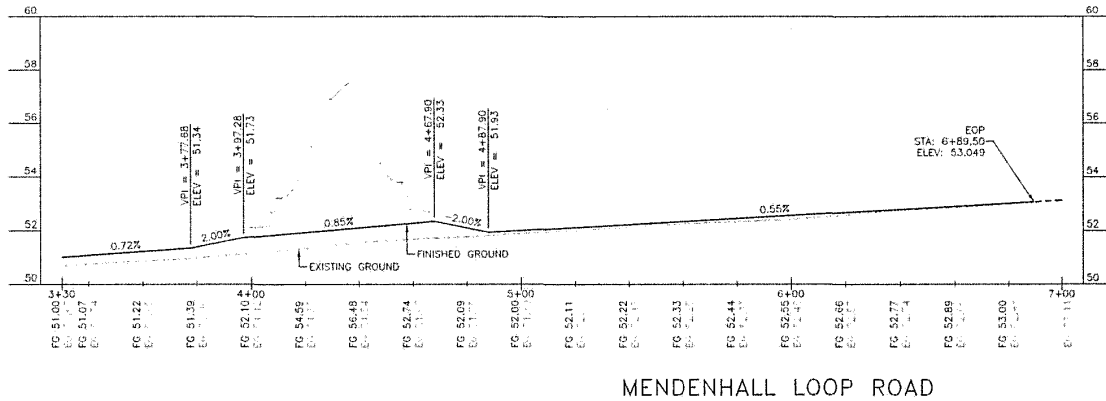


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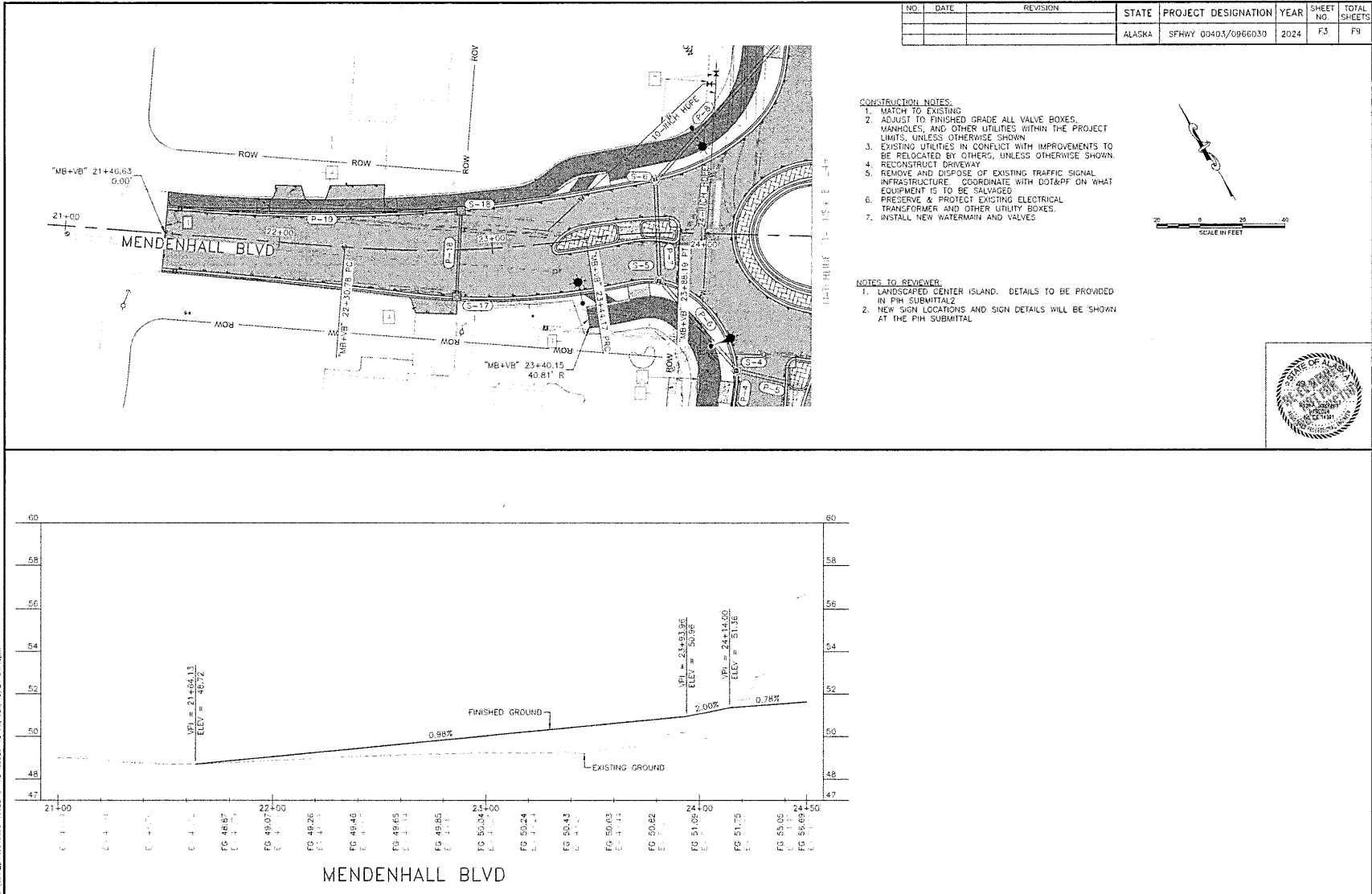
- CONSTRUCTION NOTES:**
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 2. PRESERVE & PROTECT EXISTING UTILITY POLE, CONDUIT, AND GUY ANCHORS
 3. ADJUST TO FINISHED GRADE ALL VALVE BOXES, MANHOLES, AND OTHER UTILITIES WITHIN THE PROJECT LIMITS, UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN
 4. EXISTING UTILITIES IN CONFLICT WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO BE RELOCATED BY OTHERS, UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.
 5. DEMOLISH EXISTING ACCESS BETWEEN EDGE OF ROADWAY AND EDGE OF PATHWAY
 6. RECONSTRUCT DRIVEWAY
 7. REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNAL INFRASTRUCTURE. COORDINATE WITH DOT&PF ON WHAT EQUIPMENT IS TO BE SALVAGED
 8. PRESERVE & PROTECT EXISTING ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMER AND OTHER UTILITY BOXES.
 9. PRESERVE & PROTECT EXISTING CONCRETE BLOCK RETAINING WALL
 10. OIL/WATER SEPARATOR
 11. REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING HYDRANT, RISER, AND VALVE ASSEMBLY.
 12. INSTALL PAN-TILT-ZOOM (PTZ) CAMERA
 13. DEMOLISH EXISTING CONCRETE BUS STOP SHELTER PAD. SALVAGE EXISTING BUS STOP SHELTER STRUCTURE.



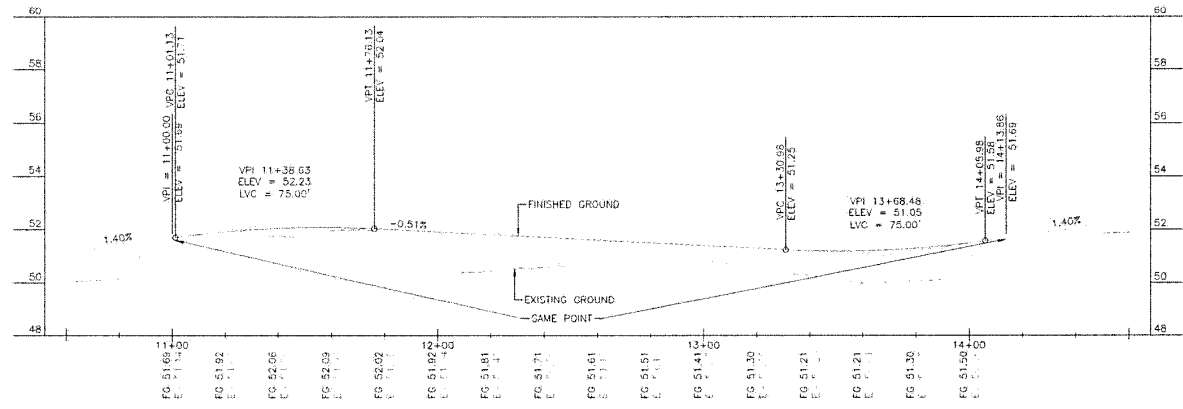
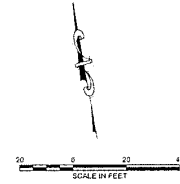
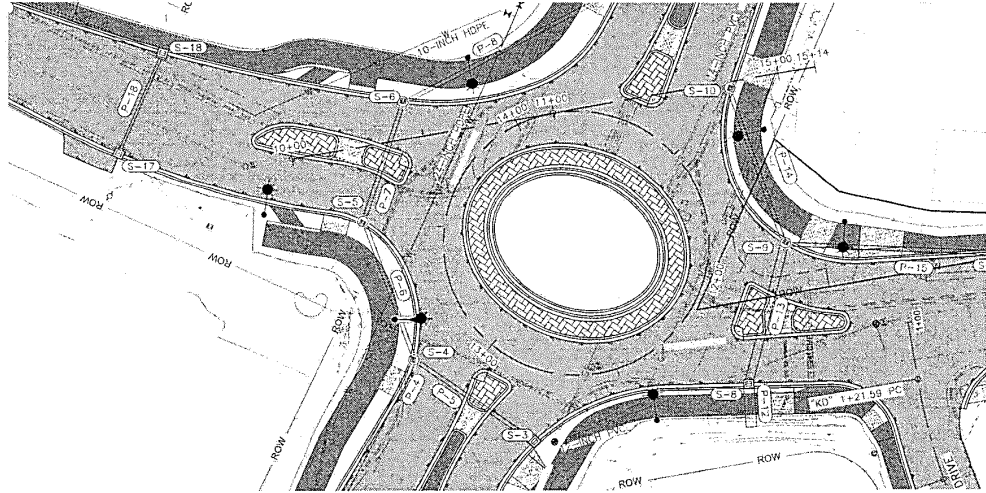
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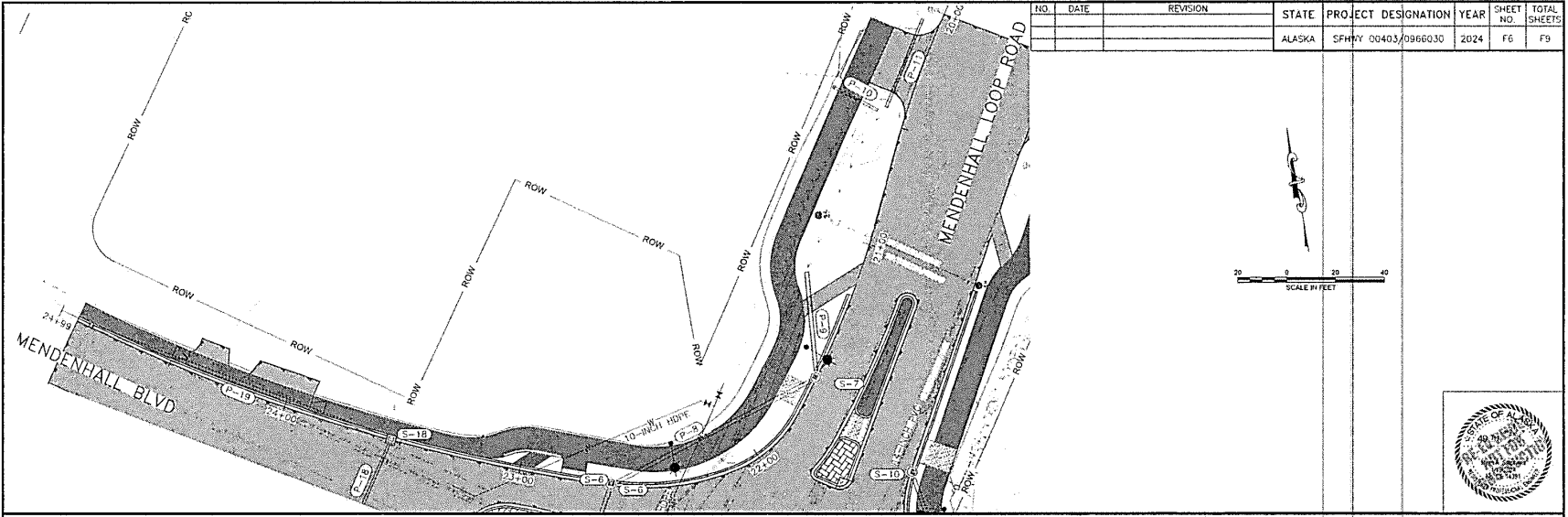


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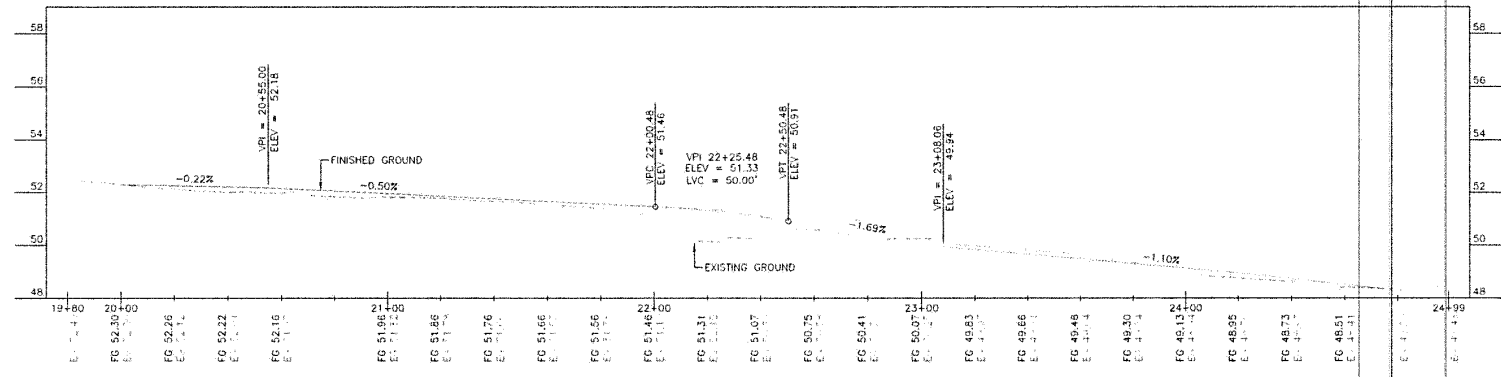


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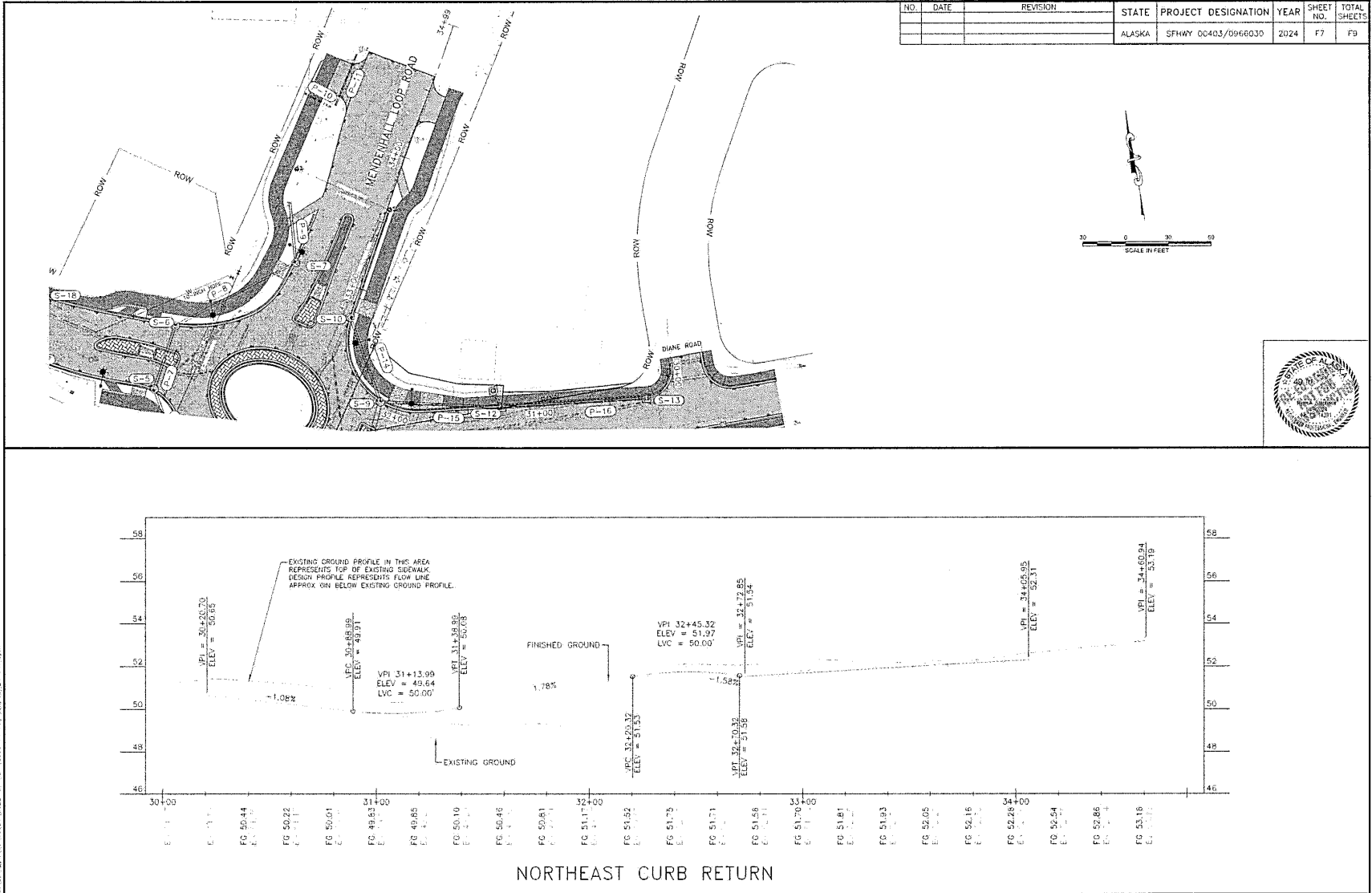


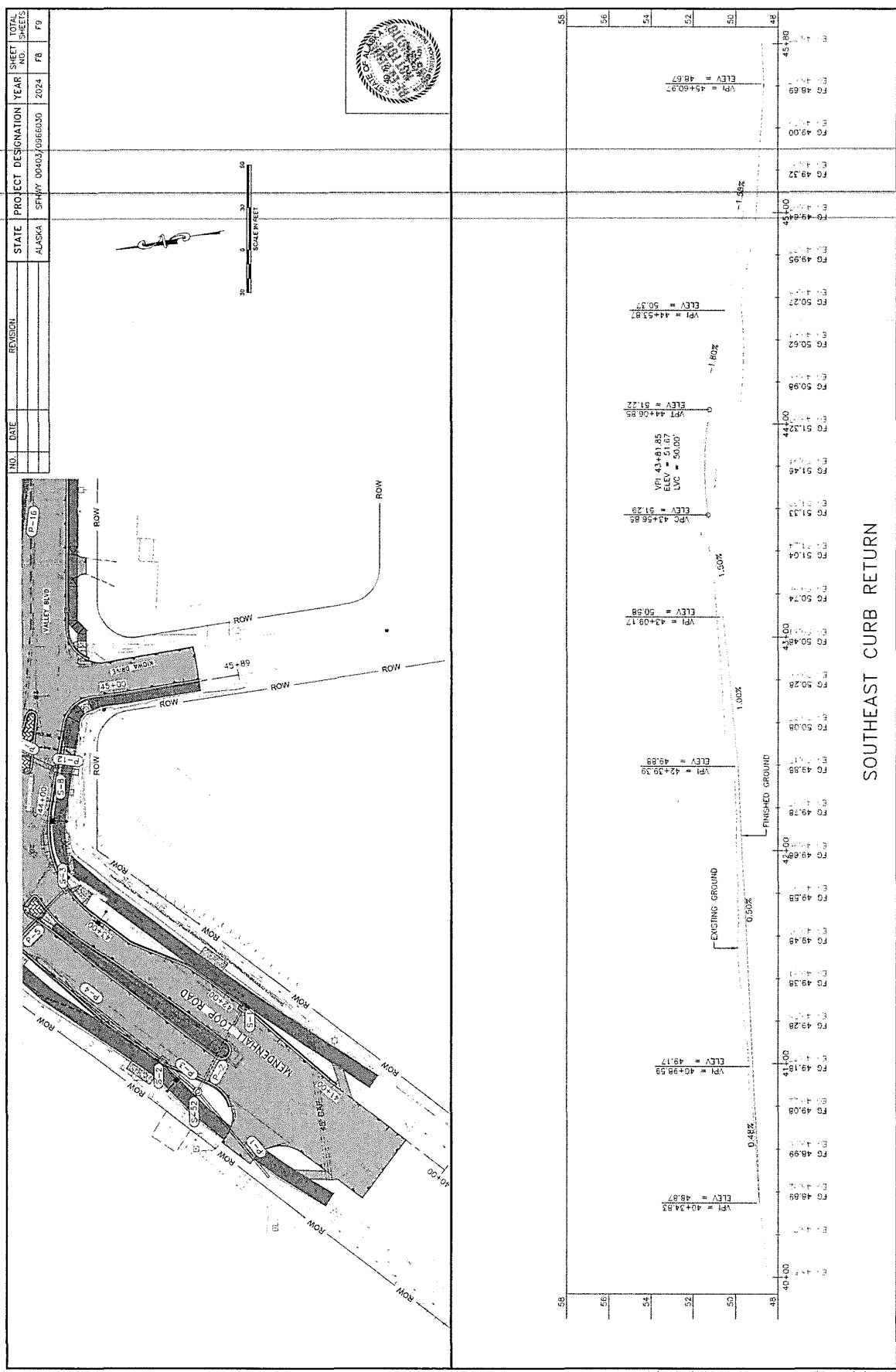
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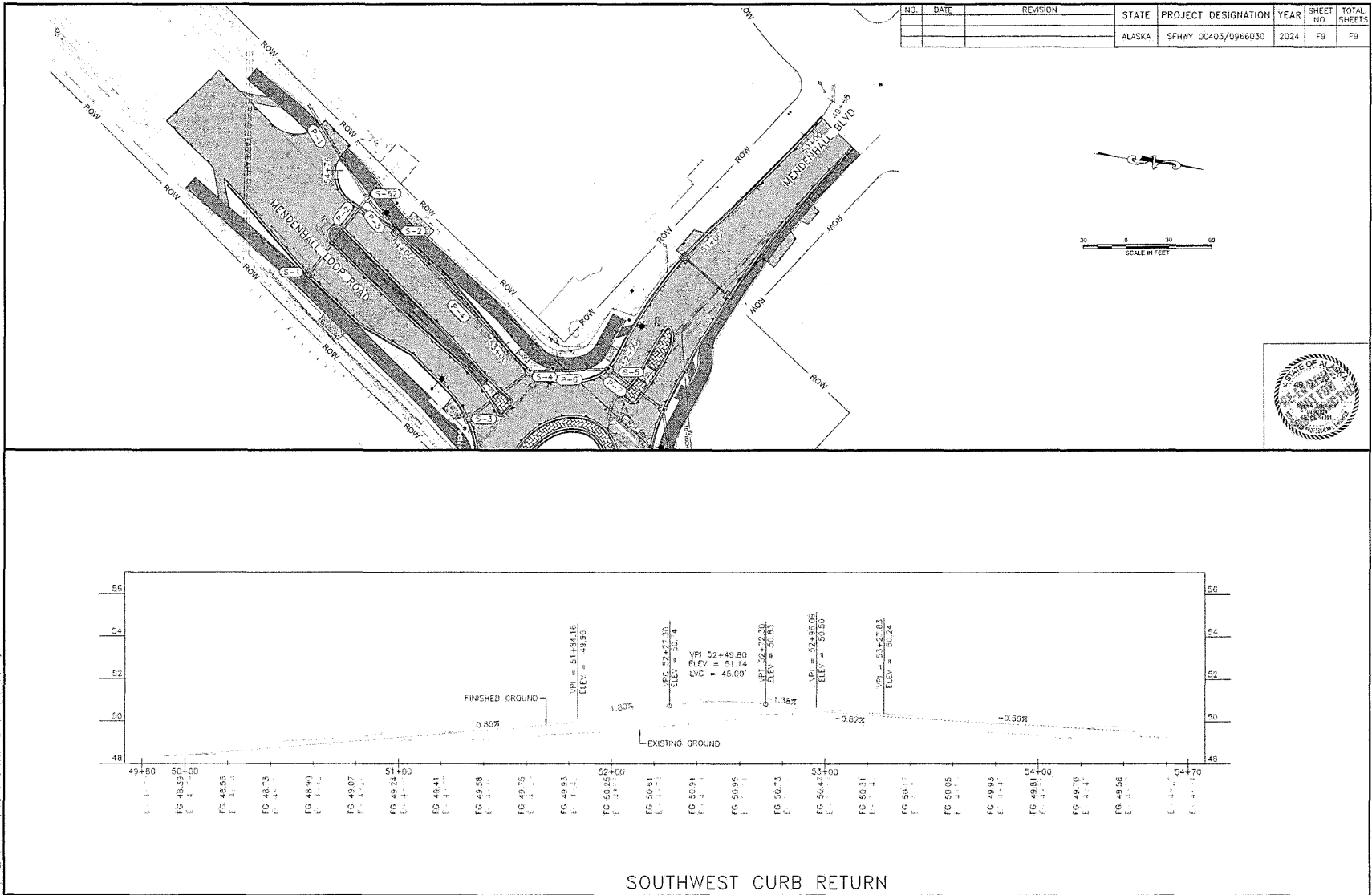
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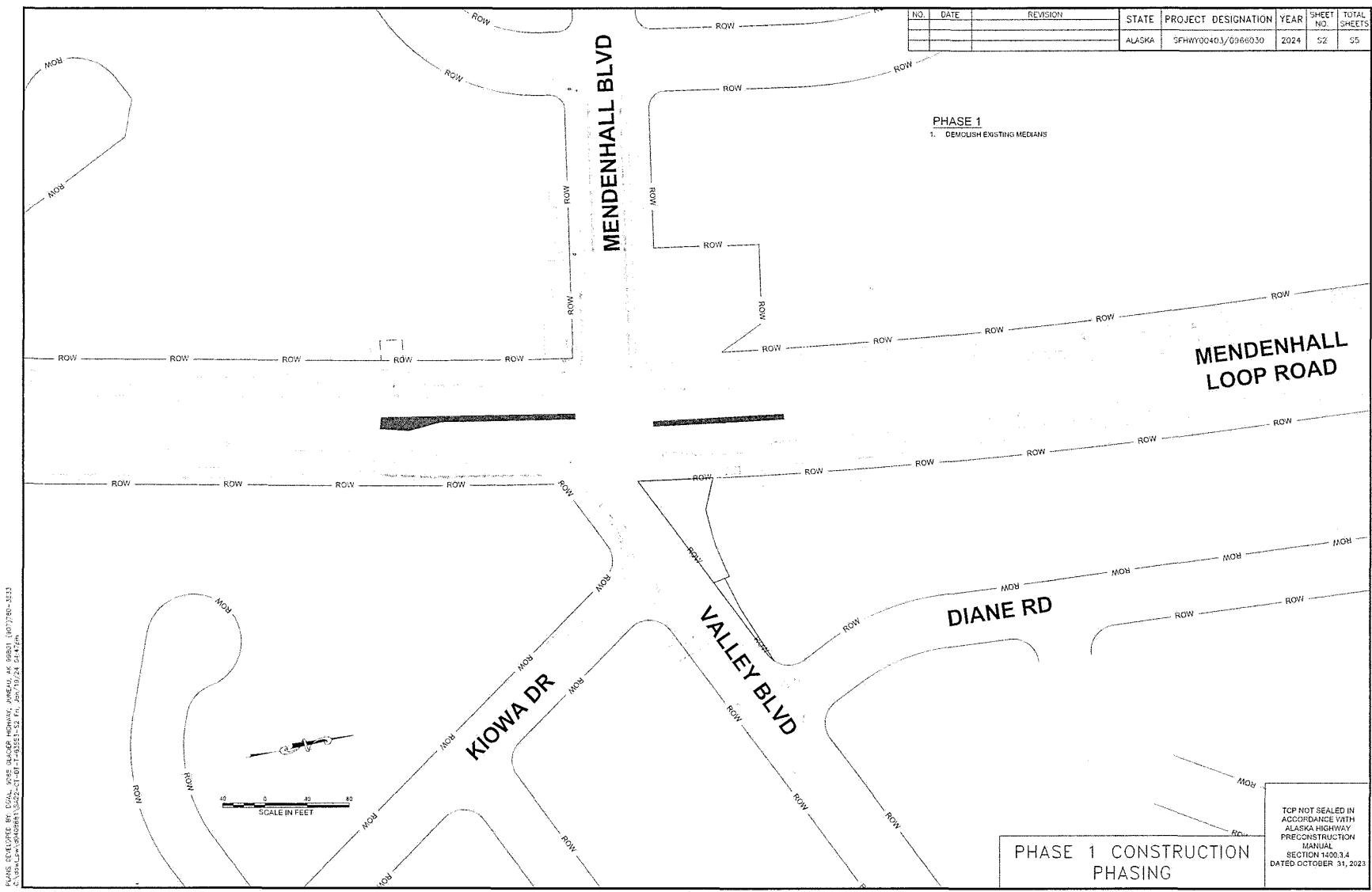




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VALLEY BLVD

KIOWA DR

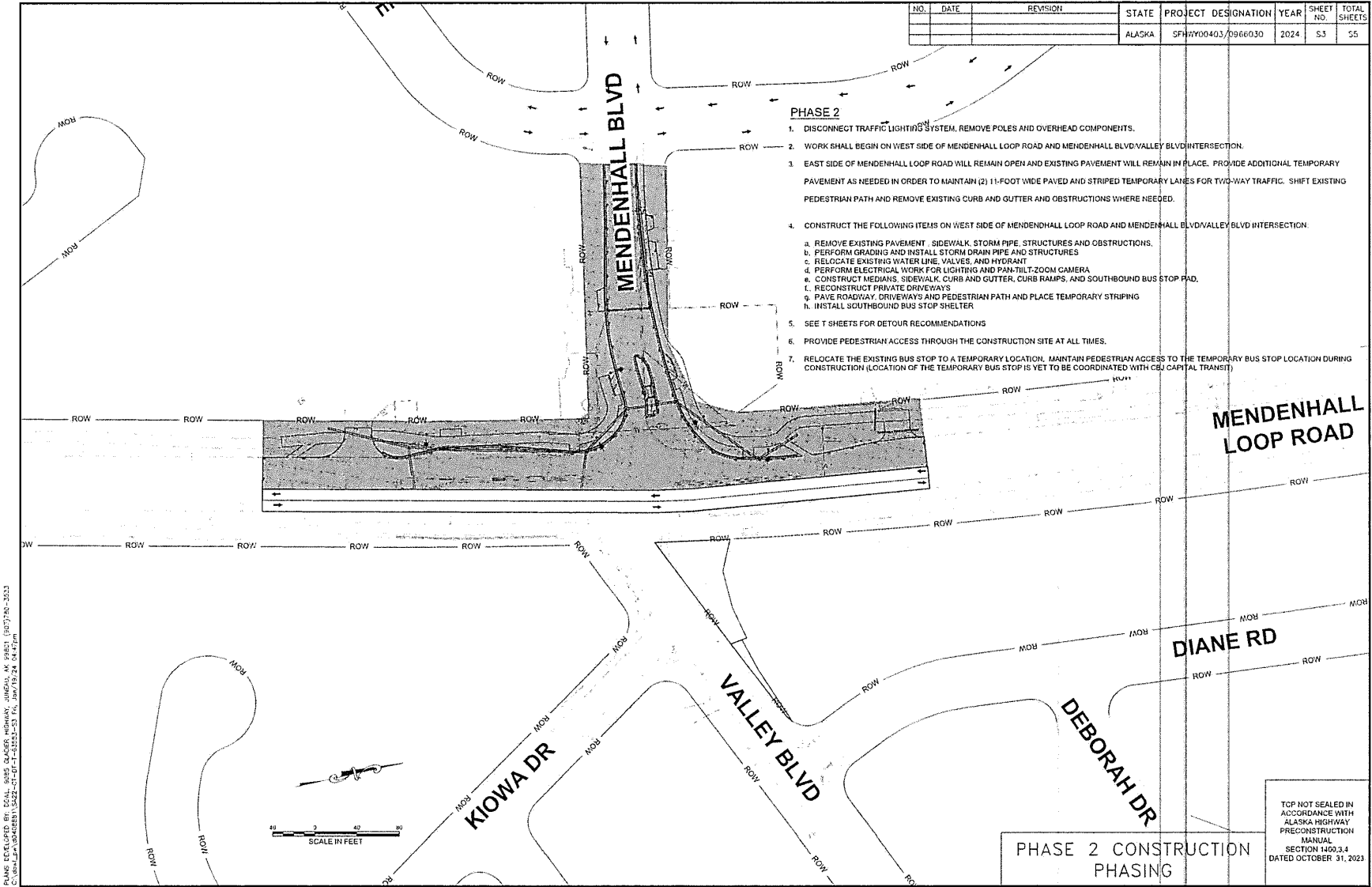
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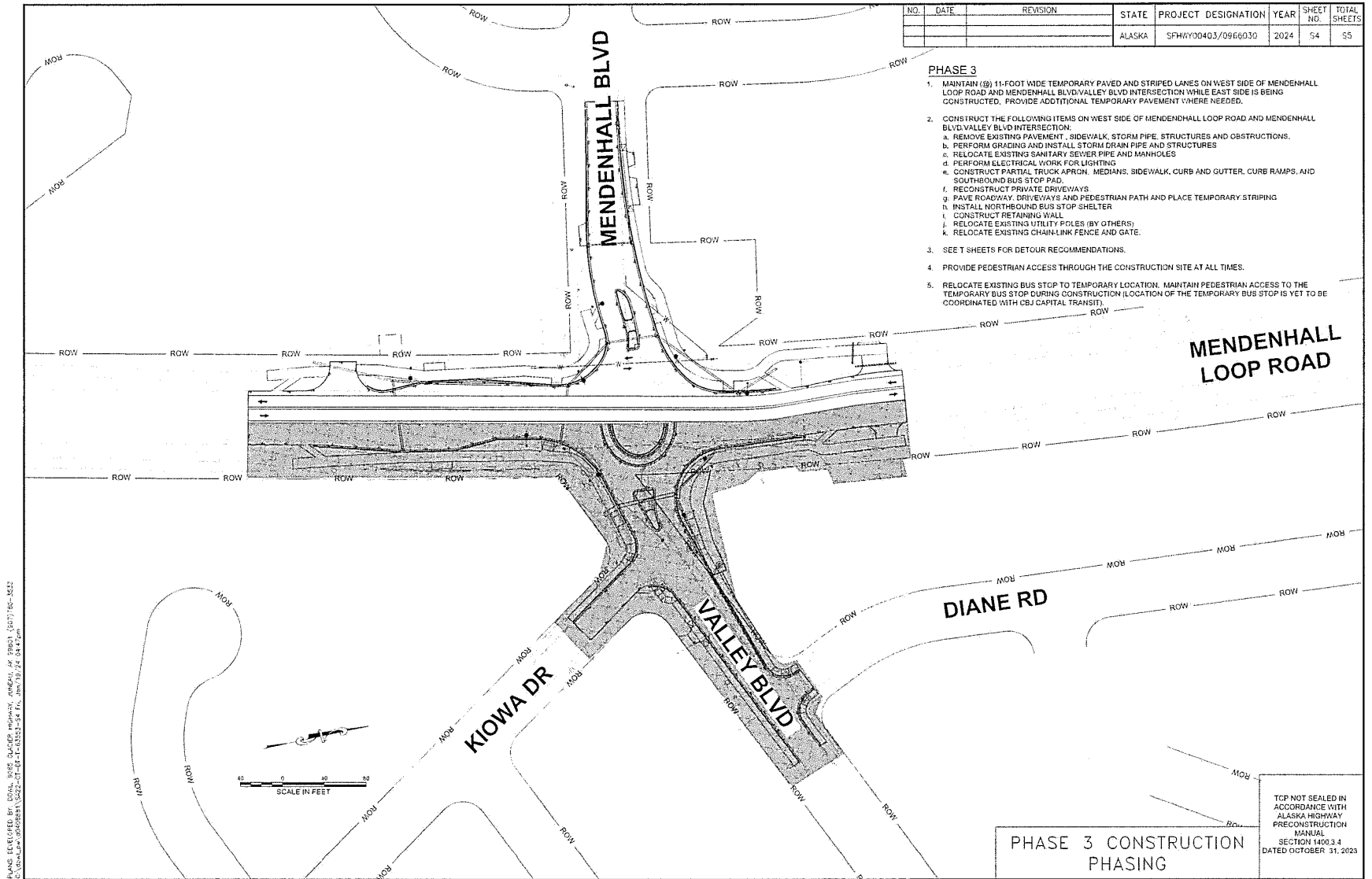
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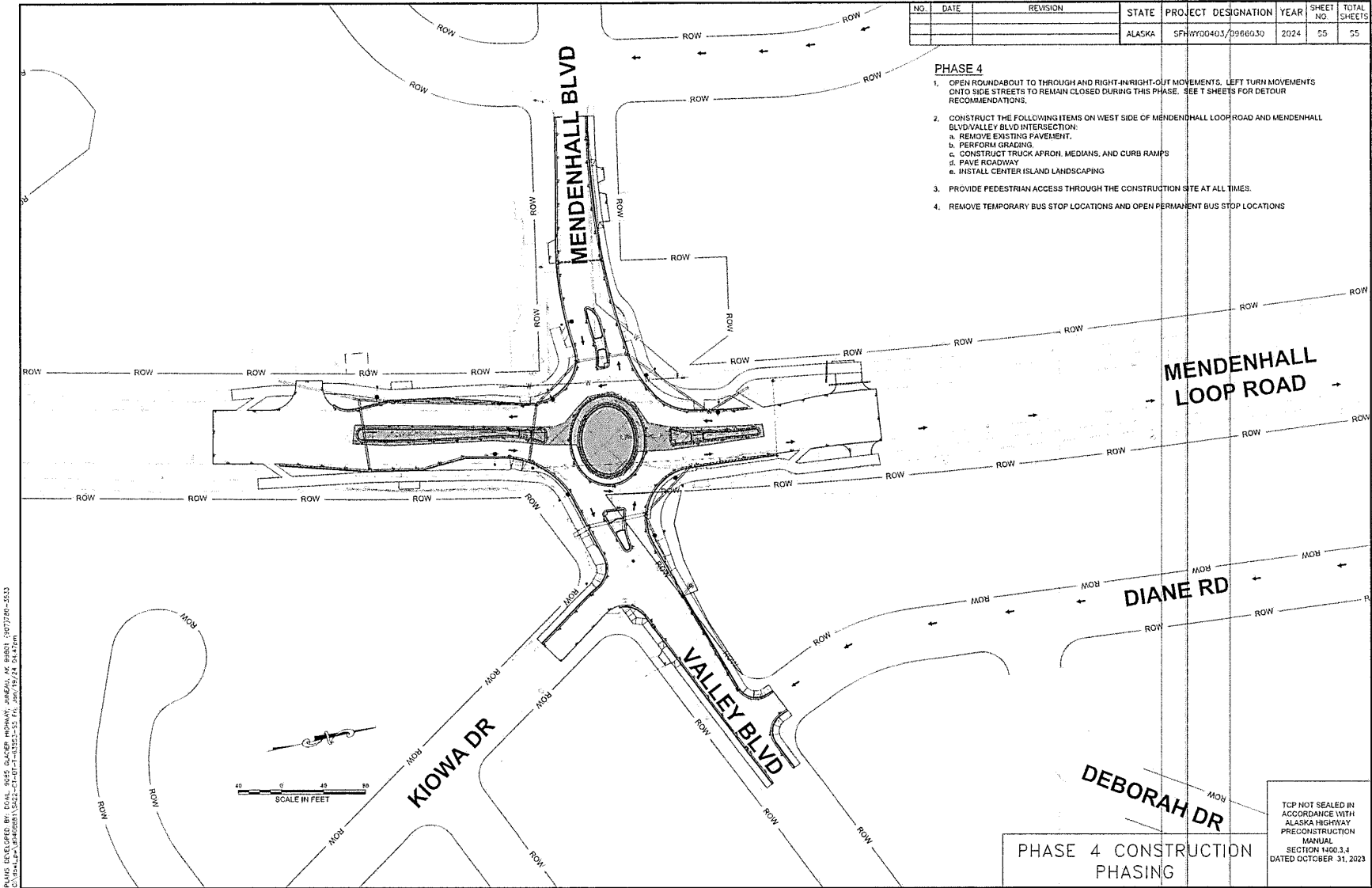
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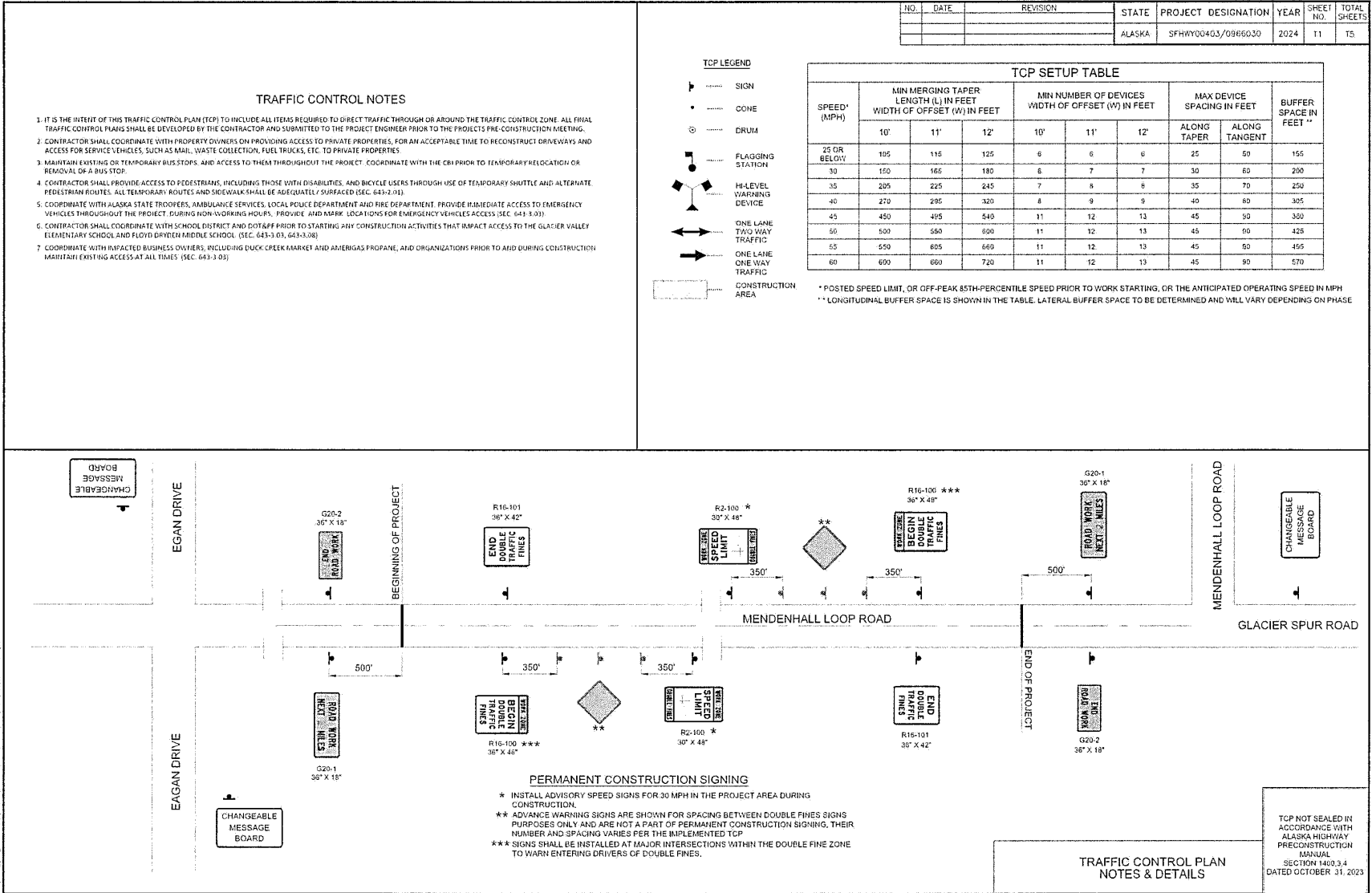
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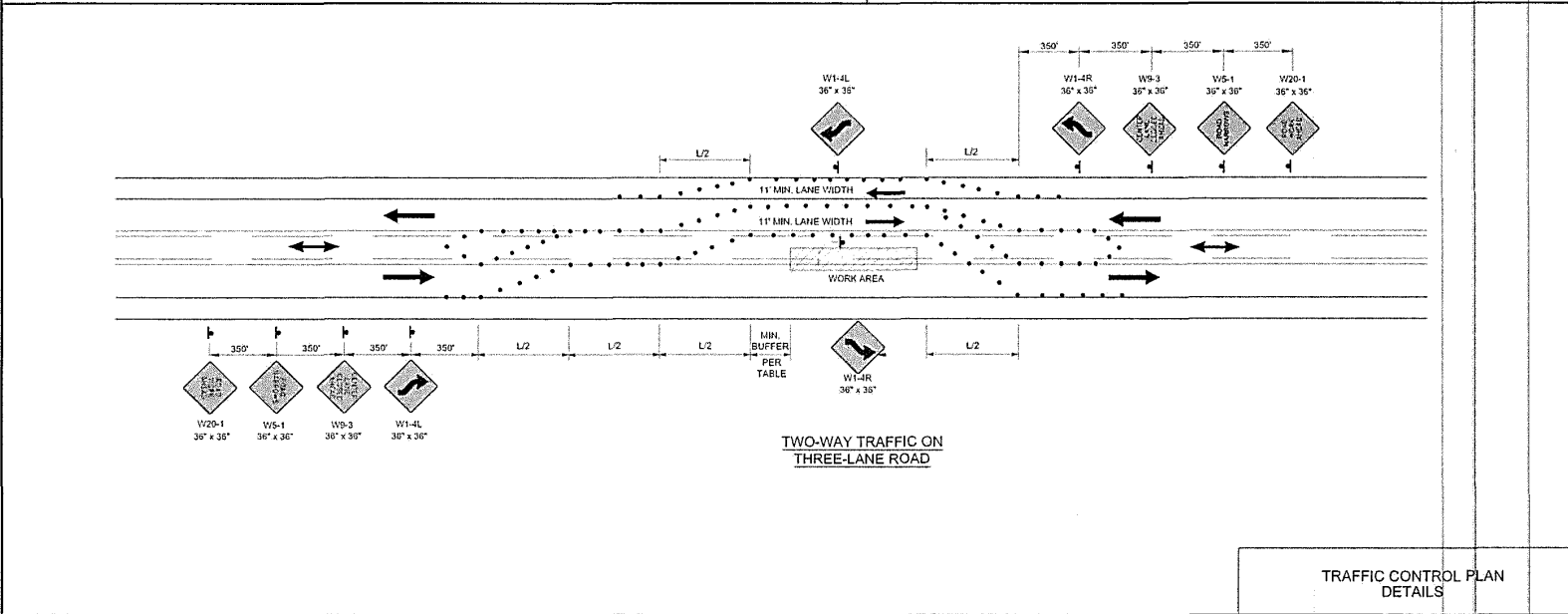
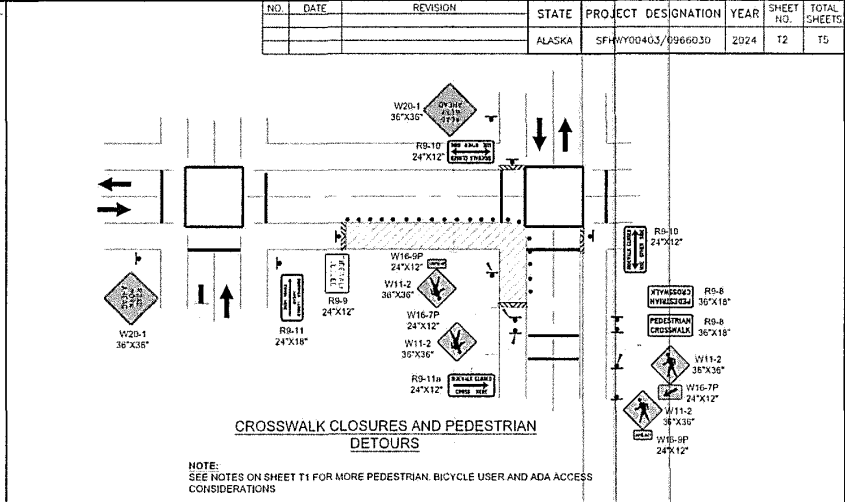
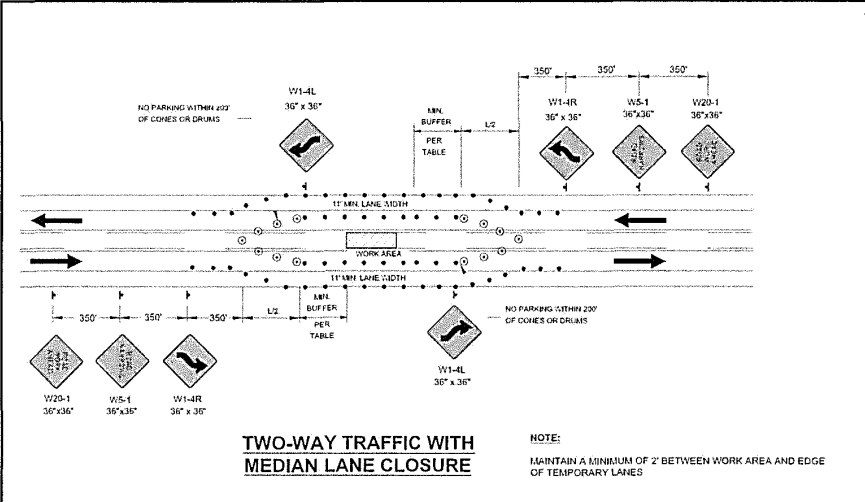
- * INSTALL ADVISORY SPEED SIGNS FOR 30 MPH IN THE PROJECT AREA DURING CONSTRUCTION.
- ** ADVANCE WARNING SIGNS ARE SHOWN FOR SPACING BETWEEN DOUBLE FINES SIGNS PURPOSES ONLY AND ARE NOT A PART OF PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION SIGNING. THEIR NUMBER AND SPACING VARIES PER THE IMPLEMENTED TCP
- *** SIGNS SHALL BE INSTALLED AT MAJOR INTERSECTIONS WITHIN THE DOUBLE FINE ZONE TO WARN ENTERING DRIVERS OF DOUBLE FINES.

TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN
NOTES & DETAILS

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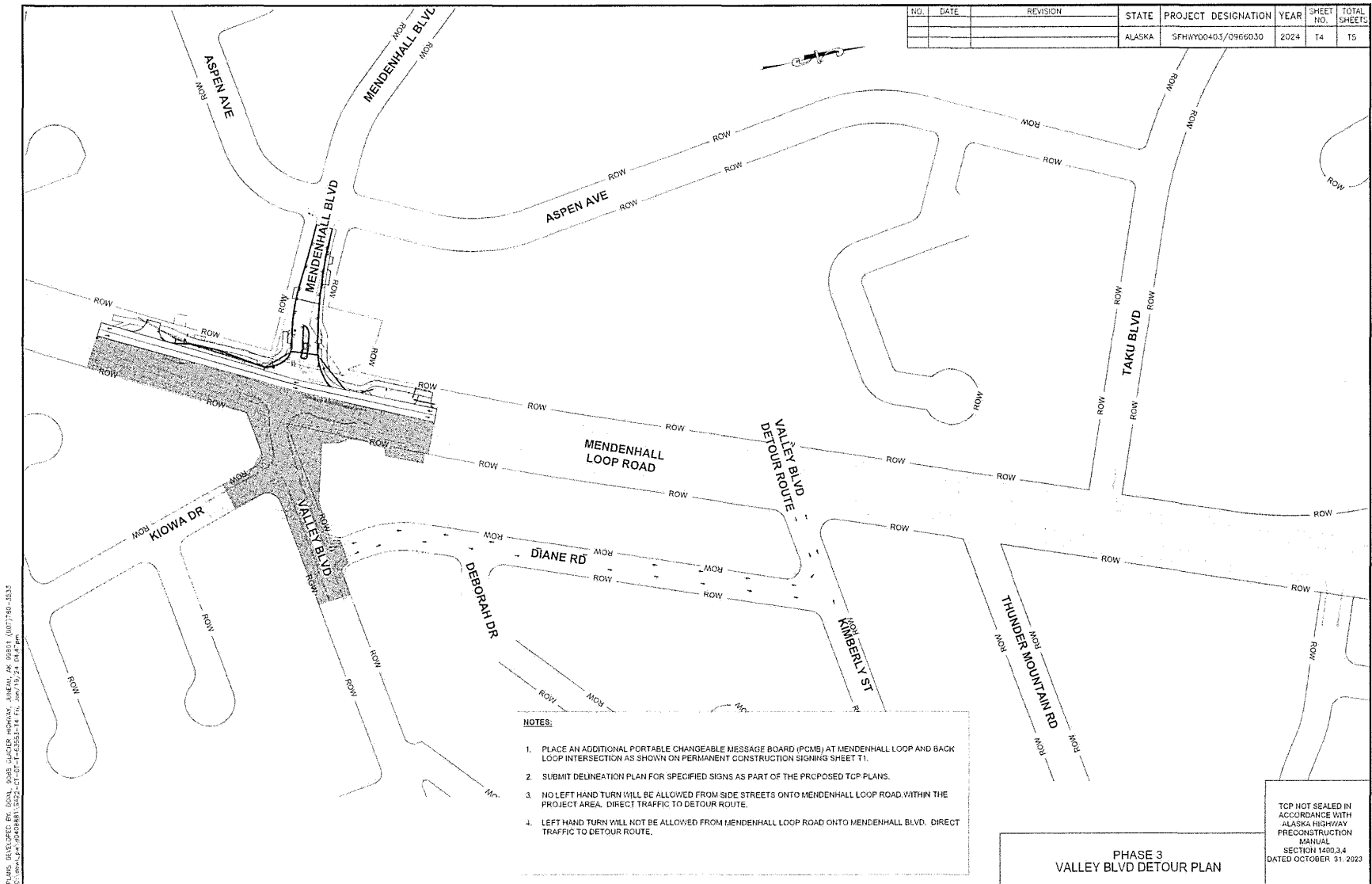
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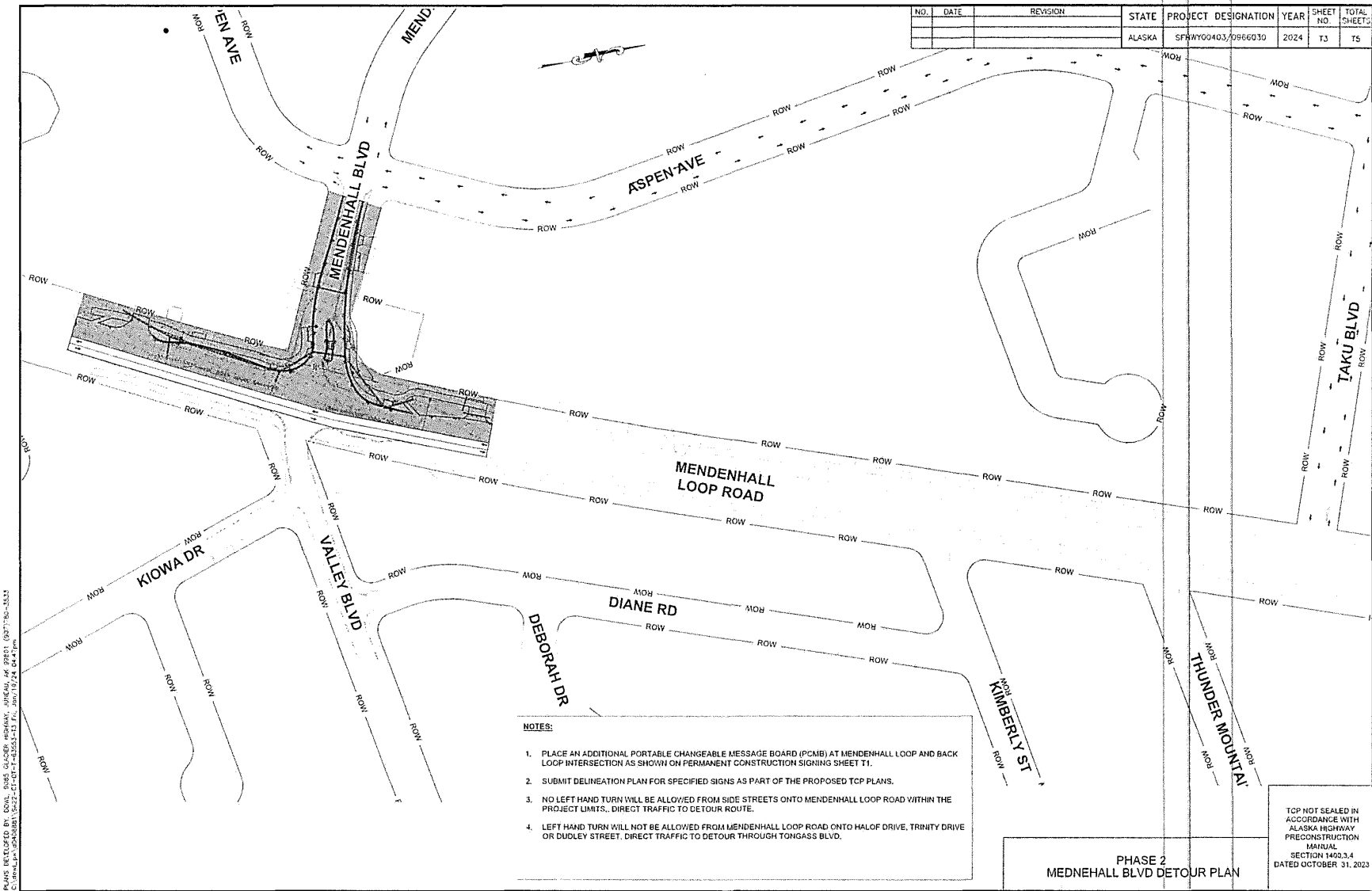
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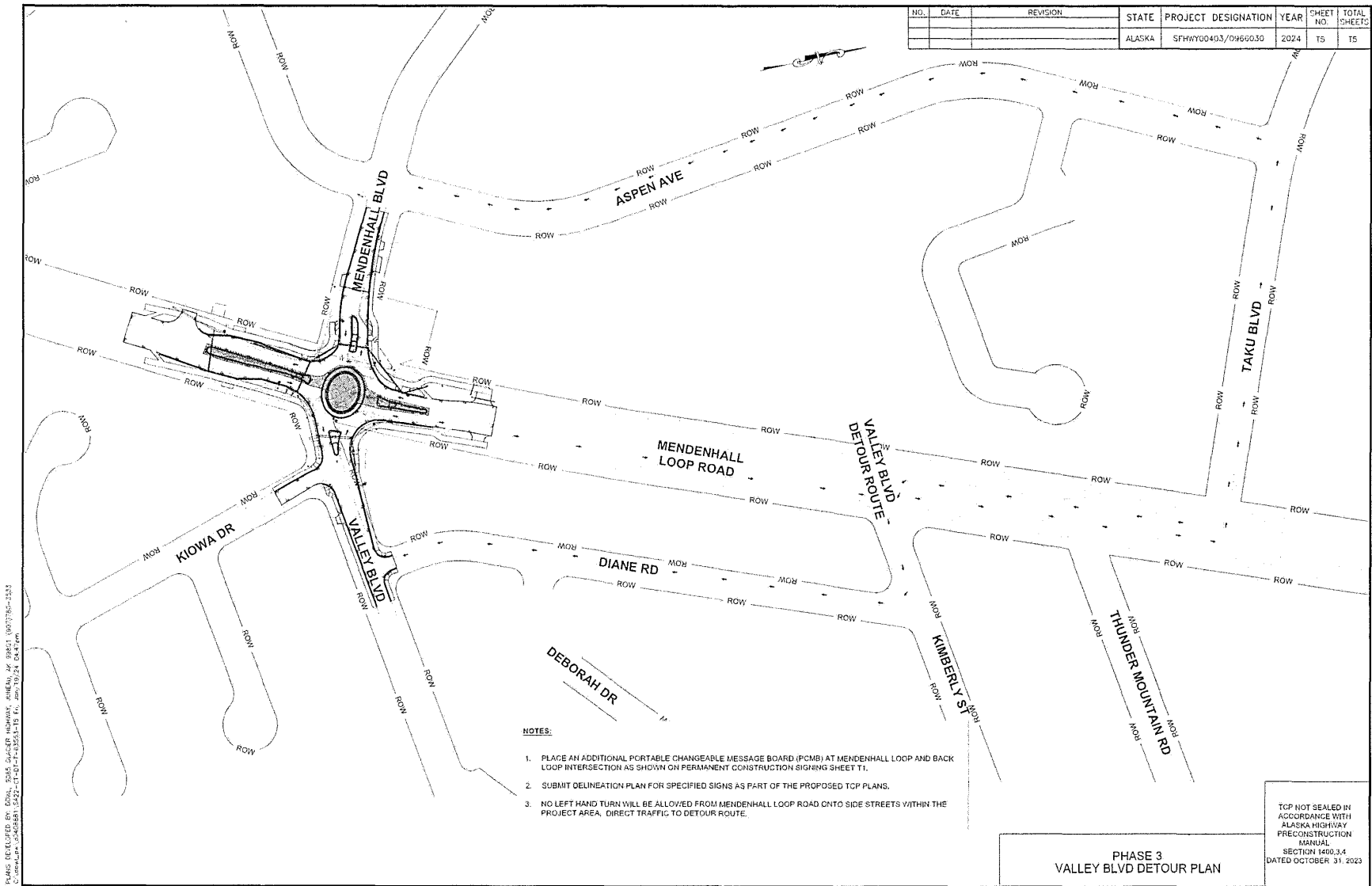
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1. PLACE AN ADDITIONAL PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE BOARD (PCMB) AT MENDENHALL LOOP AND BACK LOOP INTERSECTION AS SHOWN ON PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION SIGNING SHEET T1.
2. SUBMIT DELINEATION PLAN FOR SPECIFIED SIGNS AS PART OF THE PROPOSED TCP PLANS.
3. NO LEFT HAND TURN WILL BE ALLOWED FROM SIDE STREETS ONTO MENDENHALL LOOP ROAD WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA. DIRECT TRAFFIC TO DETOUR ROUTE.
4. LEFT HAND TURN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED FROM MENDENHALL LOOP ROAD ONTO MENDENHALL BLVD. DIRECT TRAFFIC TO DETOUR ROUTE.

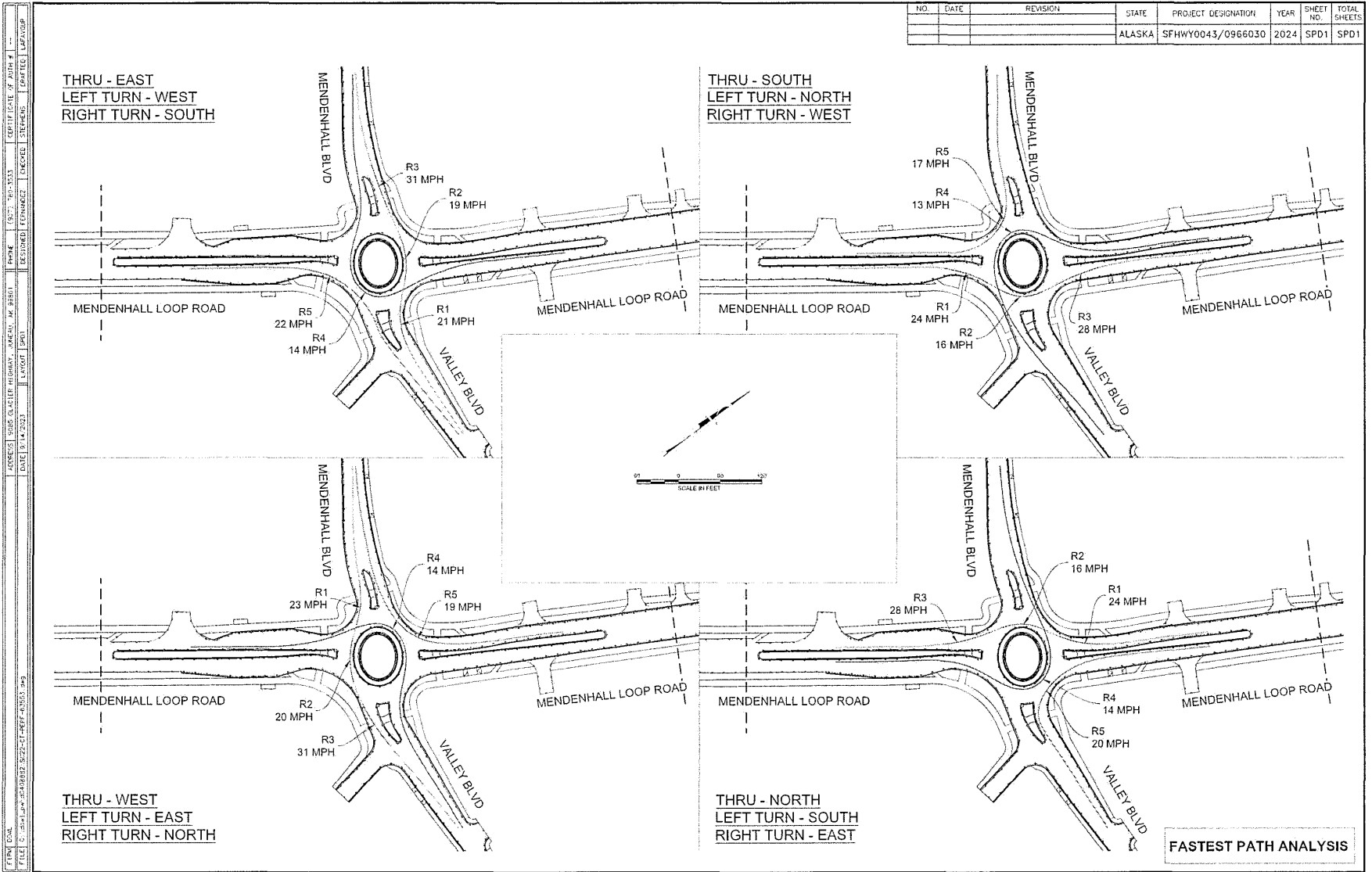
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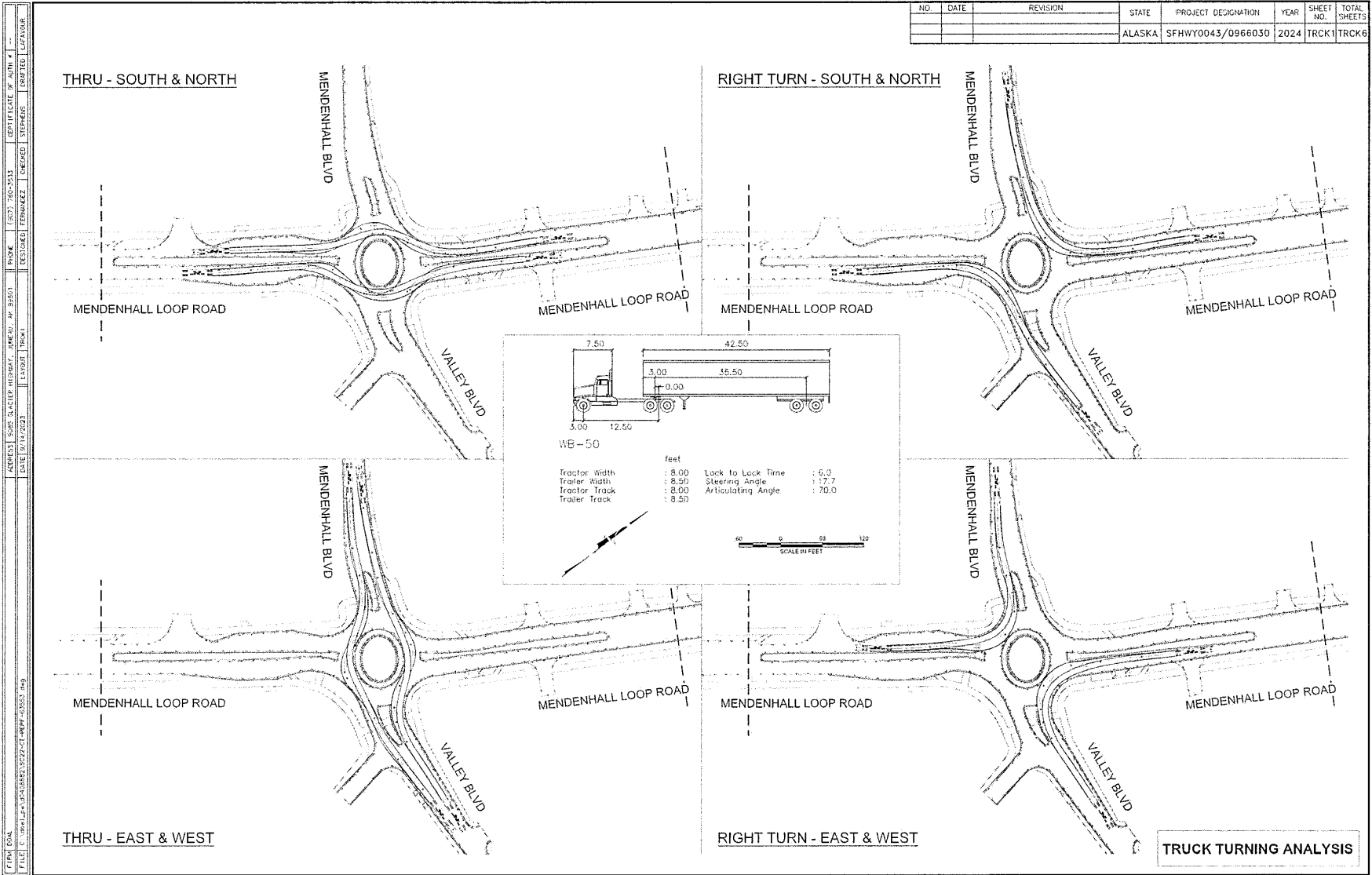
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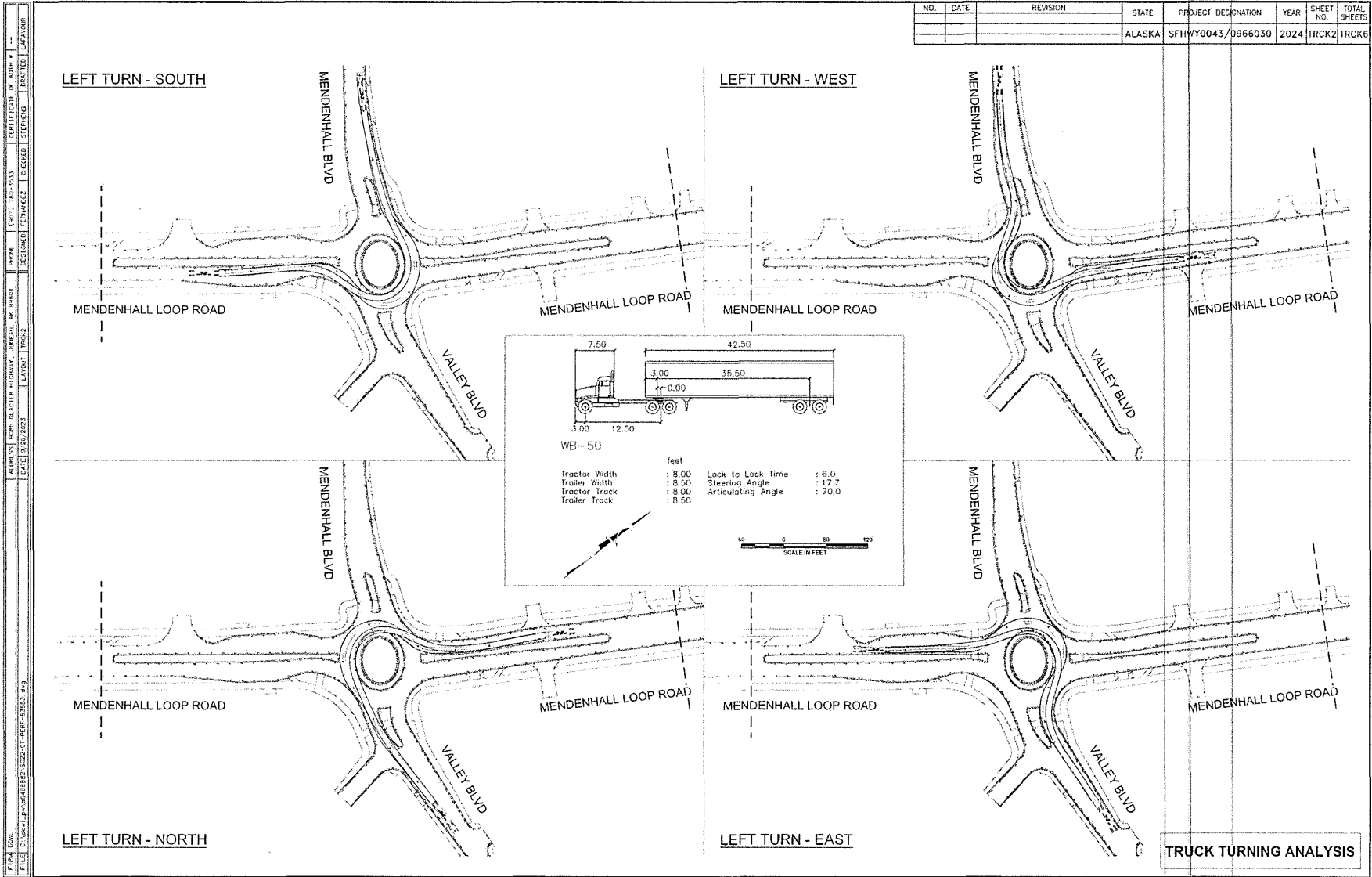


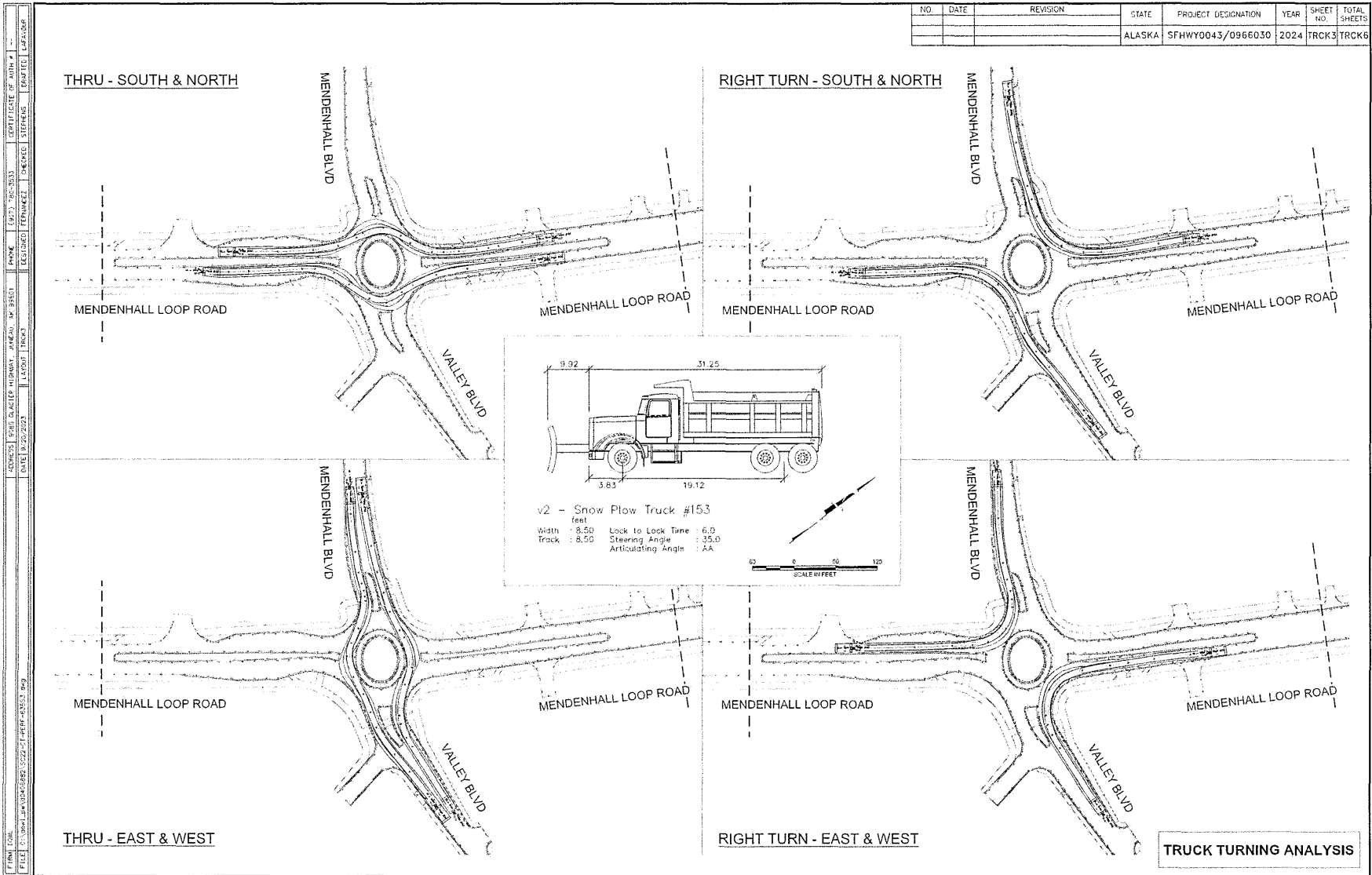
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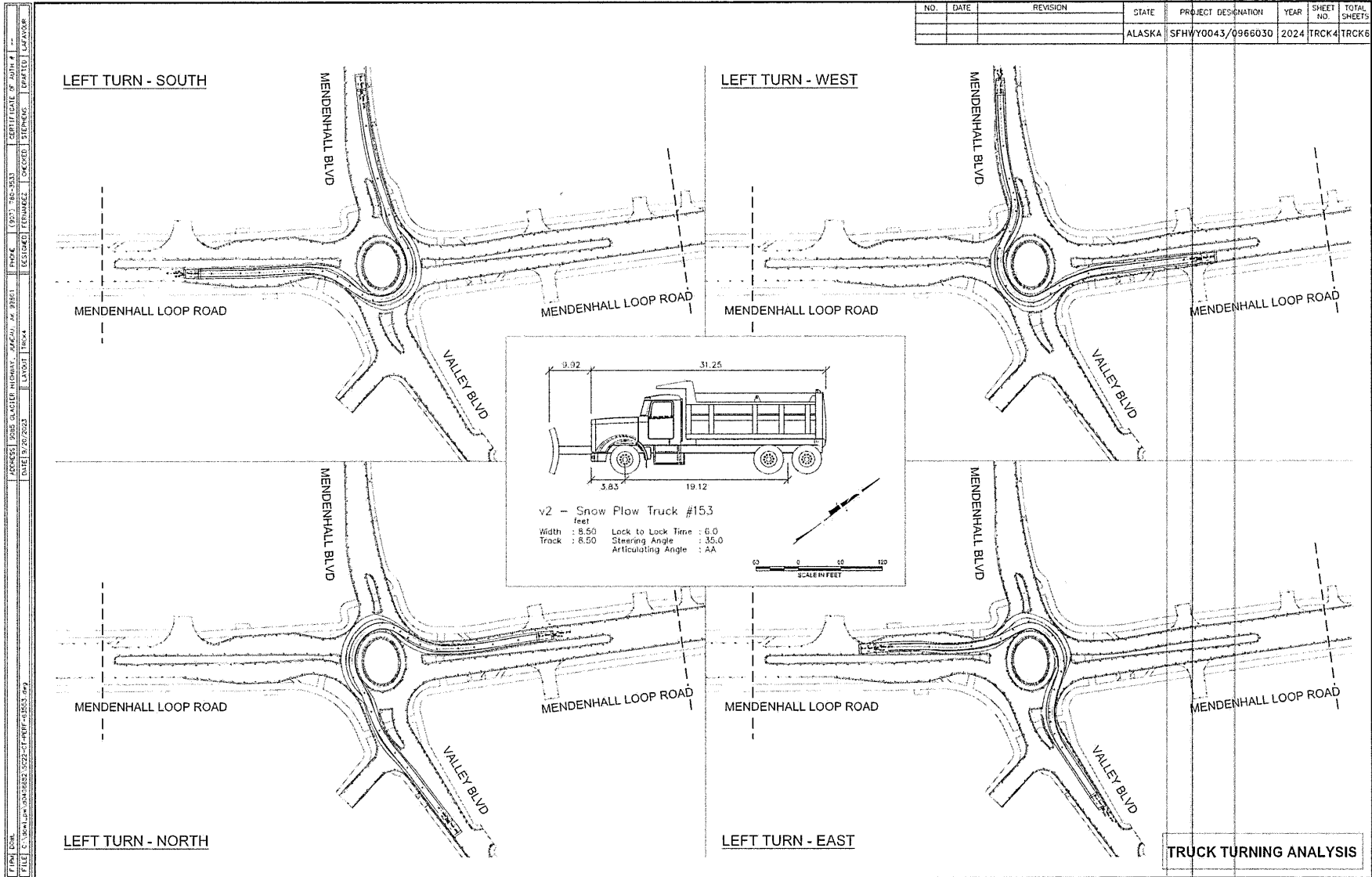
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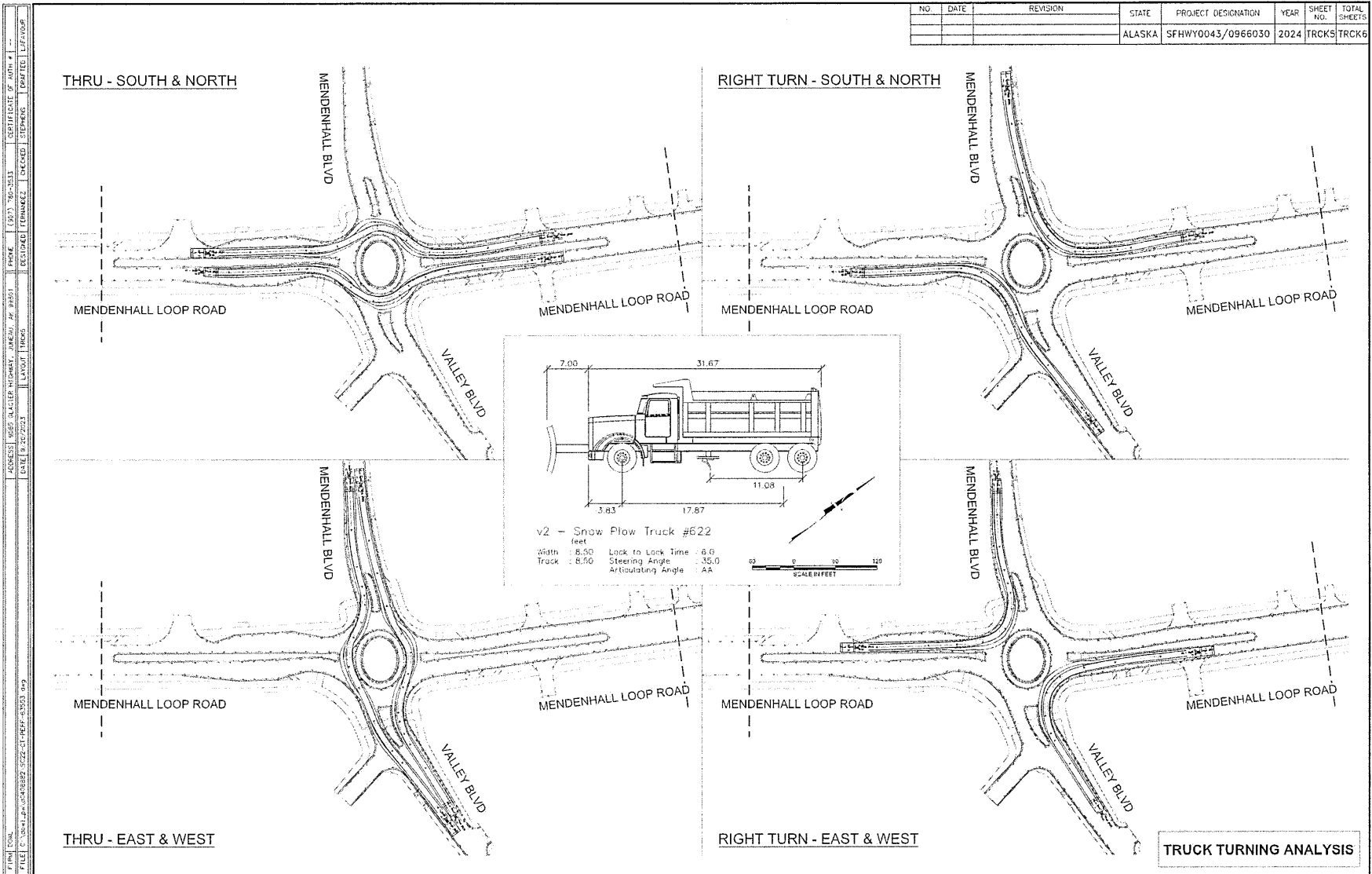
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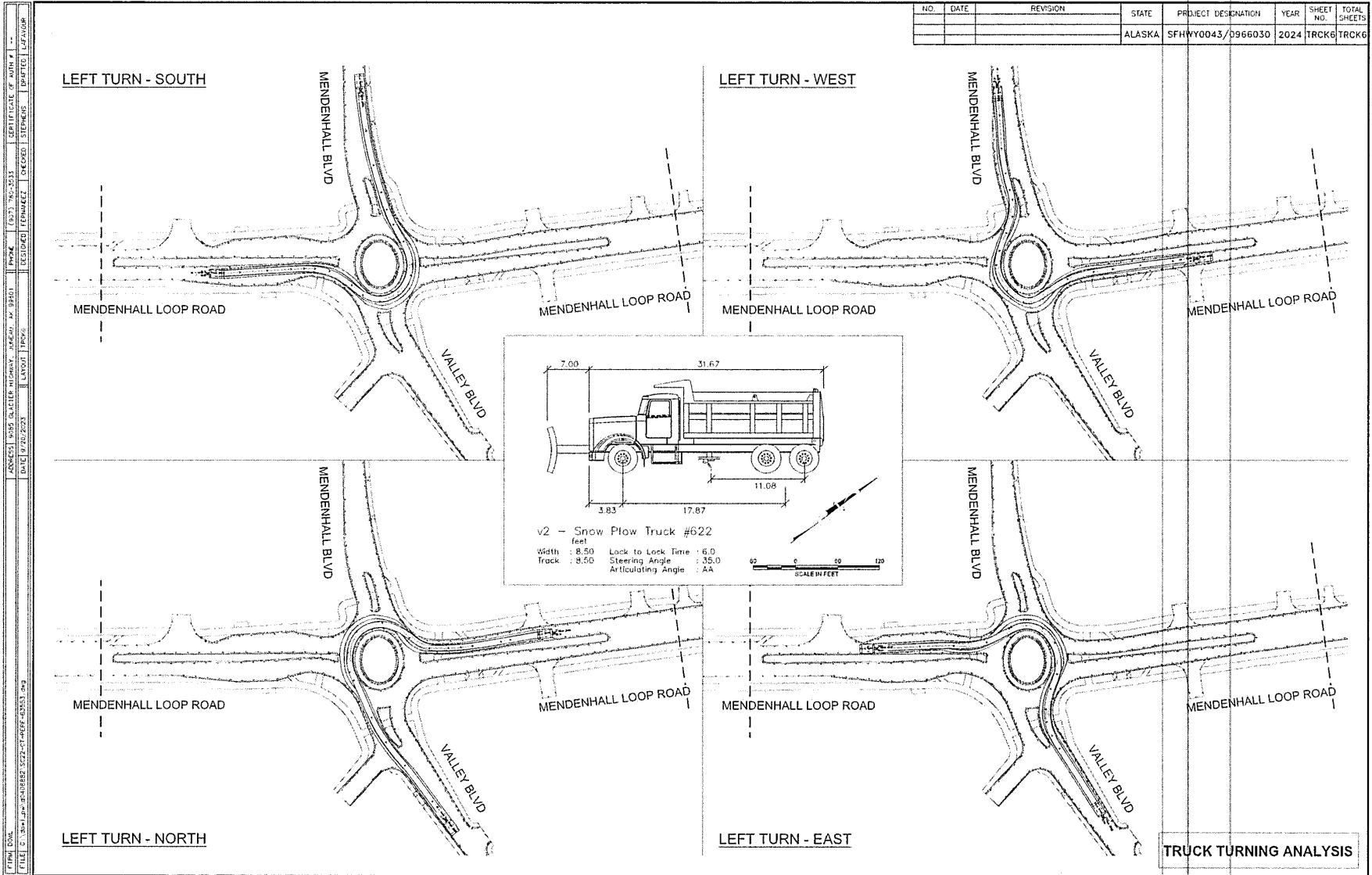




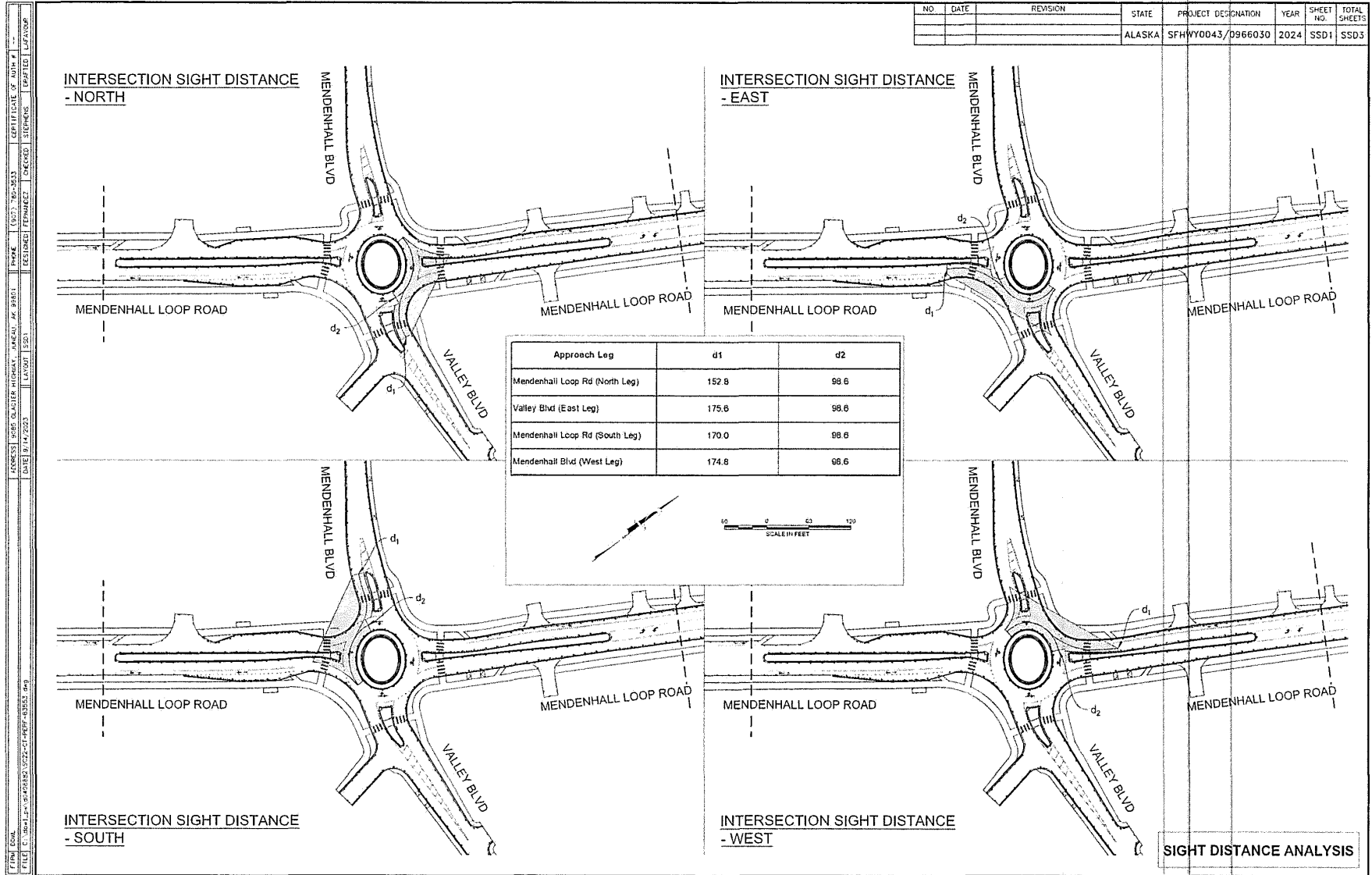


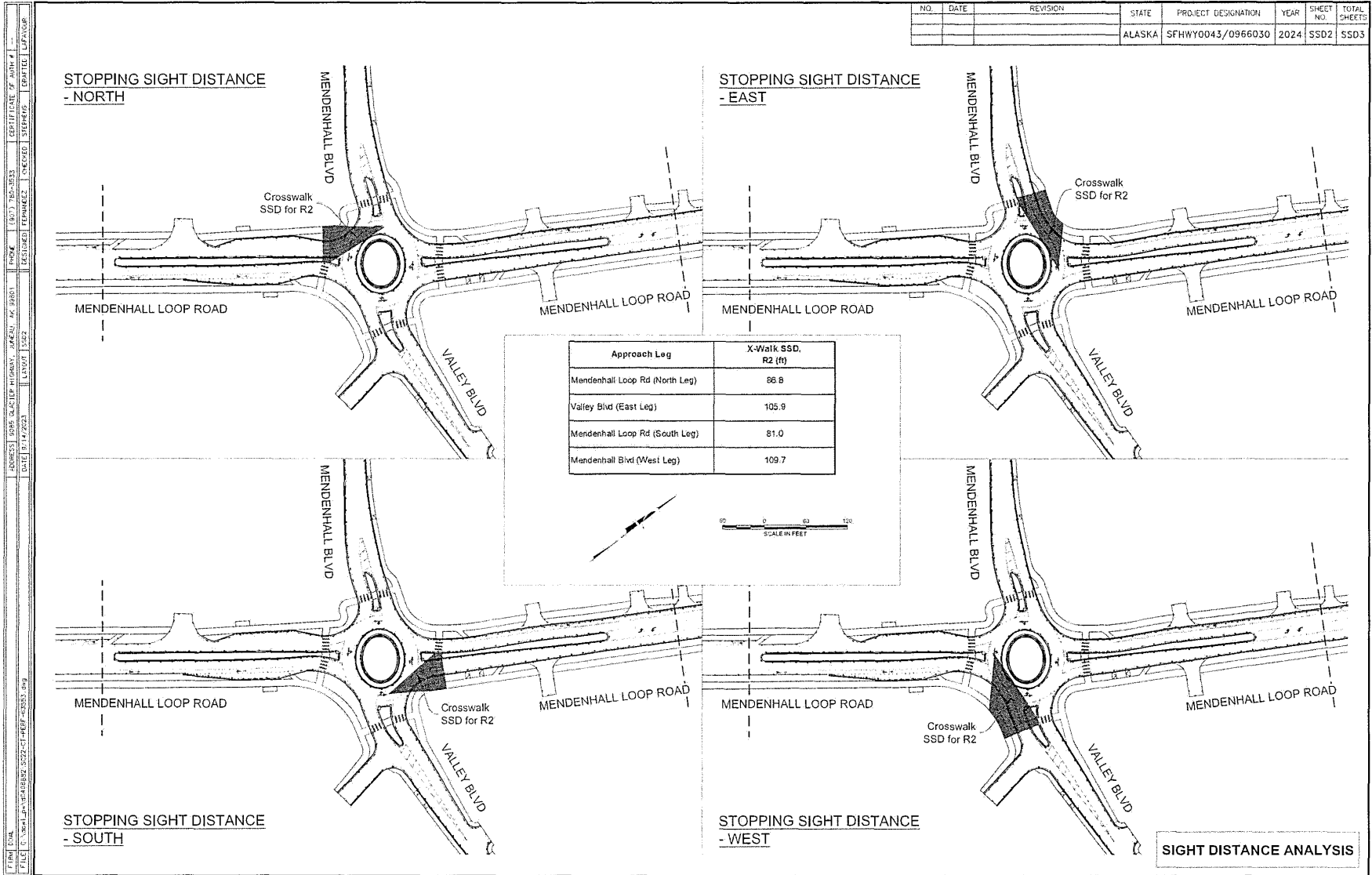




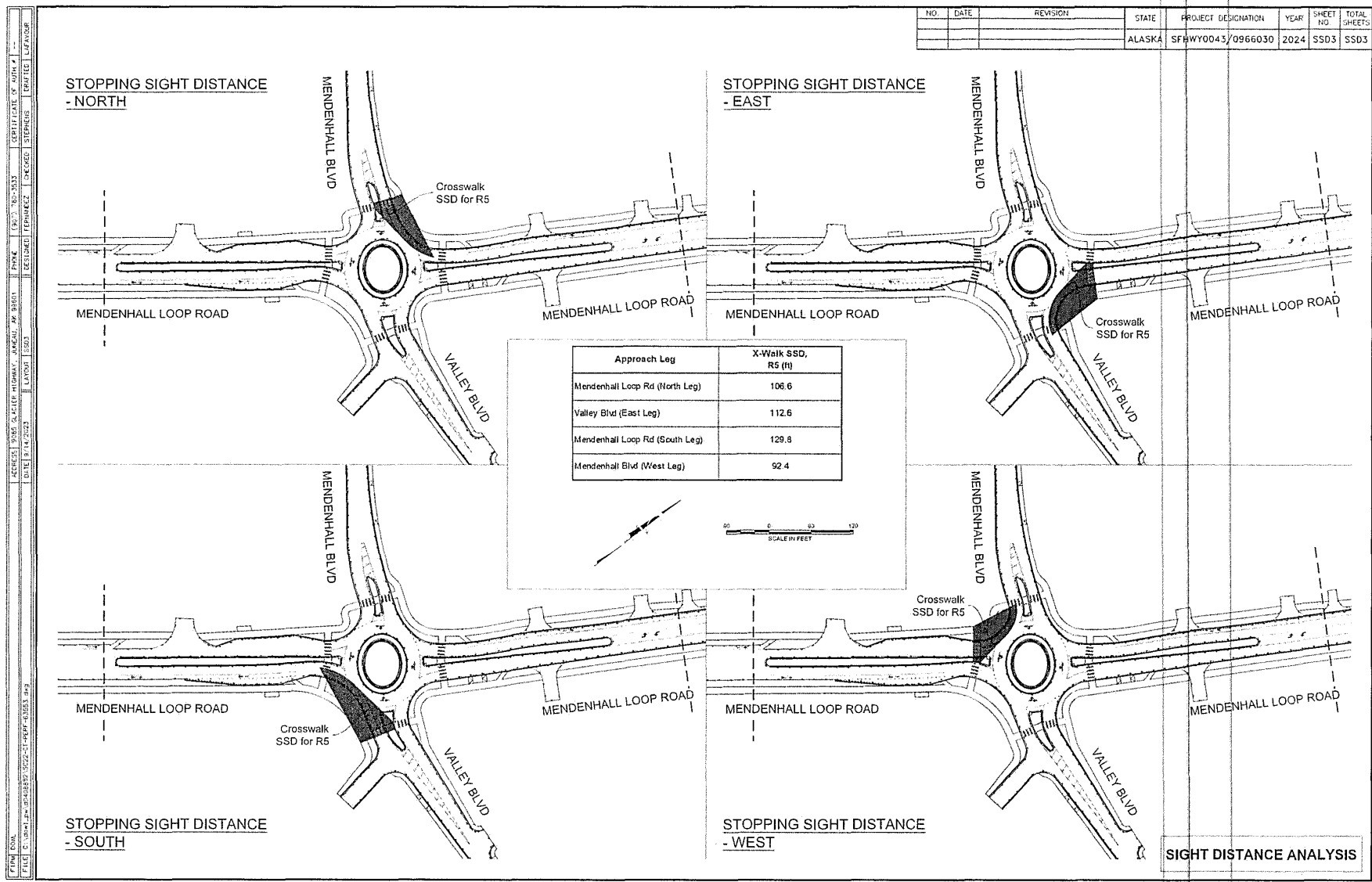


Appendix D
Sight Distance Analysis





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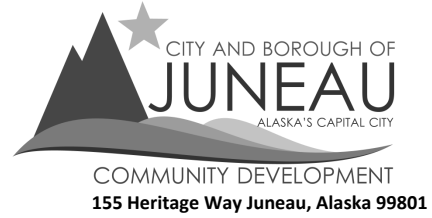
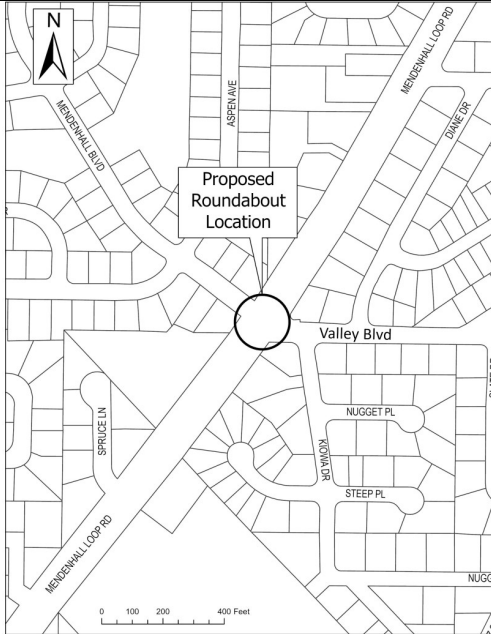
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 CHECKED BY: M. JOHNSON
 APPROVED BY: K. BROWN
 SCALE: AS SHOWN
 SHEET NO. 3 OF 3

SIGHT DISTANCE ANALYSIS

Invitation to Comment

On a proposal to be heard by the CBJ Planning Commission

Your Community, Your Voice



TO

State Project Review has been submitted for consideration and public hearing by the Planning Commission to **replace the intersection with a single lane roundabout at Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard** in a D5 zone.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Information can be found at:
<https://juneau.org/community-development/short-term-projects>

PLANNING COMMISSION DOCUMENTS:

Staff Report expected to be posted **September 3, 2024** at
<https://juneau.org/community-development/planning-commission>
 Find hearing results, meeting minutes, and more here, as well.

Now through August 19	August 20 - noon, September 6	HEARING DATE & TIME: 7:00 pm, September 10, 2024	September 11
Comments received during this period will be sent to the Planner, Jason Larson , to be included as an attachment in the staff report.	Comments received during this period will be sent to Commissioners to read in preparation for the hearing.	This meeting will be held remotely, NOT in person. Please join the Webinar by visiting https://juneau.zoom.us/j/85470844745 and use the Webinar ID: 854 7084 4745 OR join by telephone, calling: 1-253-215-8782 and enter the Webinar ID (above).	The results of the hearing will be posted online.

FOR DETAILS OR QUESTIONS,

Phone: (907)586-0753 ext. 4139
 Email: pc_comments@juneau.gov or jason.larson@juneau.gov
 Mail: Community Development, 155 Heritage Way, Juneau AK 99801

Case No.: CSP2024 0002
Parcel No.: N/A
CBJ Parcel Viewer: <http://epv.juneau.org>



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 CDD_Admin@juneau.org
 www.juneau.org/community-development
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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT - REQUEST FOR AGENCY COMMENT

DEPARTMENT: CDD
STAFF PERSON/TITLE: Jay Larson, Planner II
DATE: August 5, 2024
APPLICANT: Nathan Purvue
TYPE OF APPLICATION: State Project Review

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Applicant requests a State Project Review to replace the signalized intersection of the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard with a single lane roundabout.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: USGS QUAD B-2 NW Section T40S R66E Copper River Meridian
PARCEL NUMBER(S): 0
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: intersection of the Mendenhall Loop Road-Valley Boulevard-Mendenhall Boulevard

SPECIFIC QUESTIONS FROM PLANNER:

AGENCY COMMENTS:

I have reviewed these plans with ADOT thoroughly in the past, and have confirmed that the project does not impact a Special Flood Hazard Area and does not need a Floodplain Development Permit. - Teri Rehfeldt, Sr. Planner, CFI, Flood Specialist

AGENCY COMMENTS (CONTINUED):



Attachment D - Public Notice sign photo near intersection

Additional Materials

Regular Planning Commission Meeting

Zoom

7:00pm

Meeting Date: 9/10/2024

1. CSP2024 0002:

- a. Public comment: Barry Nydam, received 9/4/2024
- b. Public comment: Sean Strauss, received 9/4/2024
- c. Public comment: Fred La Plante III, received 9/4/2024
- d. Public comment: Lacey Derr, received 9/4/2024
- e. Public comment: Tim Shockley, received 9/4/2024
- f. Public comment: Karl Ashenbrenner, received 9/4/2024
- g. Public comment: Beth Rivest, received 9/4/2024
- h. Public comment: Micah Sommers, received 9/4/2024
- i. Public comment: Allen Butner, received 9/4/2024
- j. Public comment: Heidi Stears, received 9/4/2024
- k. Public comment: Jeff Hoover, received 9/4/2024
- l. Public comment: Melissa Hartman, received 9/4/2024
- m. Public comment: Jill Lewis, received 9/4/2024
- n. Public comment: Sandra Shaw, received 9/4/2024
- o. Public comment: Monica Whitehead, received 9/4/2024

From: Barry Nydam <thewho20006@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 9:09 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Valley Blvd roundabout.

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The traffic light works fine. I'd rather see a round about and improved intersection at glacier spur and backloop. The bus stop is in a poor spot and that cross walk is a Hazzard. Folks turning on to backloop always fly through. I've been close to being hit several times crossing. The cars will stop for you at the stop sign at the crosswalk, but cars coming from loop road do not. Need to slow traffic there

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From: Sean Strauss <strauss.sean@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 9:48 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Supporting proposed roundabout for Loop Rd & Valley Blvd

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Hello,

For the record, I support the proposed roundabout for the intersection of Loop Rd & Valley Blvd.

Thank you,

Sean

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Sean Strauss
strauss.sean@gmail.com
[1-907-419-7966](tel:1-907-419-7966)

"Creativity takes courage"
— Henri Matisse

From: fred3@laplantes.org
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 9:56 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout @ Mendenhall Loop and Valley Blvd.

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Dear Planning committee,

I understand the ease of use of the roundabout and like them, but I think we also need traffic lights at this location to ease the flow of traffic in the summertime. I have in places around the country where it is one traffic circle after another and it seems that the traffic can get congested after the second traffic circle.

Fred La Plante III

A Man after God's heart

Strengths: Learner | Input | Activator | Connectedness | Arranger

WG: Wonder | Enabler

From: Lacey Derr <lebartlett@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:00 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Proposed Roundabout Public Comment - Mendenhall Blvd & Valley Blvd

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Good Morning,

My name is Lacey Derr and I live in the Mendenhaven Subdivision, off of Mendenhall Blvd. I am submitting this public comment on my own accord and not as a member of the Planning Commission.

I traverse this intersection several times daily due to the location of my home and have lived in the Mendenhaven neighborhood since 1991.

I am submitting my public testimony in strong opposition to the proposed roundabout.

First and foremost, the construction of the other 2 roundabouts at Floyd Dryden School and Stephen Richards Drive are INCREDIBLY dangerous for pedestrians. The dead grass/dirt mounds which fill the center of the roundabouts are so high (and unkempt), drivers cannot see pedestrians on either side. I have personally watched people dive out of the crosswalk because drivers were not going to stop, drivers nearly miss running over children within the crosswalk, and people stuck on the center island because traffic only stopped one way. This problem is substantially exacerbated in the winter with the lack of snow removal. Children, Elders, and even healthy citizens struggle to climb over the 3-6' walls of snow created by plowing the roundabout and non-maintenance of pedestrian right of ways.

This intersection is the LAST traffic signal in the area to STOP traffic for pedestrian travel. It is a very successful and safe intersection to vehicular traffic and pedestrians. Having lived in this neighborhood for 33 years I can attest to the safety and practically nonexistent accident history of the area. Three roundabouts in succession do not make any sense, increase traffic congestion, risk pedestrian lives, and it serves no purpose in this area. It was also very shocking to see the house torn down on the corner of Mendenhall Blvd several years ago to accommodate this potential roundabout when we have a housing crisis. It seems counterproductive to put pedestrians in harms way, increasing traffic congestion, all while removing housing to build a roundabout in an area that has a very successful traffic signal.

I sincerely request the commission deny the proposed roundabout and focus these \$8.5 Million dollars in funding to projects with greater services to Juneau. If the project will be submitted forward for approval, I implore the commission to set strict conditions on the height of the center fill, widen the roadway area within the roundabout as much as possible, double the lighting, require HAWK pedestrian signals for all 4 intersections of the roundabout, and enforce adequate snow removal as part of the maintenance requirement. Should the project not move forward, I recommend the city look into selling the parcel back for its intended use as housing in a highly desirable neighborhood.

I greatly appreciate your time and consideration in reviewing this comment.

Respectfully,
Lacey Derr
(907) 723-8837

From: Tim <chiefs907@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:06 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout at Loop and Valley

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9/4/24

Dear Planning Commission members,

I am writing you to voice a concern about the mound height of the roundabouts that are being built. While I understand the theory that reduced visibility will produce slower speeds, the actual practice of it does not work.

It is not worth the reduced visibility of being able to see young children, other vehicles, or pedestrians. While it hasn't contributed to any accidents at this point, there are numerous close calls and it's only a matter of time.

Please use common sense and reduce the mound heights to allow visibility.

The roundabouts without mounds are much safer, especially in areas frequented by young children.

Thank you for considering this matter.

Sincerely,

-Tim Shockley
(907)321-3970

From: Karl Ashenbrenner <kjashen@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:47 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Mend. Blvd Roundabout

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how about taking the money for that and putting it toward fixing the mess that is the left turn s/b to Fred Meyer? Make the McDonalds intersection a 4 way light with a road extension to Old Glacier Hwy and have that as your s/b access to Fred Meyer. Does Mendenhall Blvd and Valley Blvd really need another undersized roundabout?

From: Karl Ashenbrenner <kjashen@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:54 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Mendenhall Blvd roundabout

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If you must build a roundabout there, even with one lane make the lane wider and do not have a veritable hill in the middle that you cannot see over and see oncoming traffic until it is through the curve.

From: B Rivest <rivestb@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 10:54 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout Men/Valley intersection

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To Planning Commission Members,

While I like the roundabout use, I feel the housing situation is unaffordable for young adults (and many others).

These funds, whether matched, whatever city funds should be allocated to affordable housing.

Thank you for your time.

Beth Rivest

4306 Manor Ave, Juneau, AK 99801

From: Micah Sommers <micah.sommers@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 11:05 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabouts

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Hey Gang, my comments may be in the minority, but please for the love of god keep working on roundabouts. The money they must save has got to be astronomical, electrical engineers and lights maintenance can't be cheap. The traffic flow is far better, I only wish people would slow down.

Also, keep following the studies and put mounds in, but could we make them pretty? People don't need to see the other side when entering the circle. Absolutely ridiculous.

Thanks for all you do.

Cheers

From: Allen Butner <butner2272@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 11:22 AM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout mendenhall/valley

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Strongly protest. Dumb idea. So many better things to throw money at. Like extend fred Meyer spur to connect and make mc nugget a 4 way

From: Heidi Stears <h.stears99801@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 12:04 PM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: CSP 2024 0002

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I would like to write in support of the roundabout at the Mendenhall Blvd/Valley Blvd location. And when possible (and funding approved), one at Mendenhall Loop/Back Loop would significantly improve traffic flow, reduce accidents and cost. My adult family of four support roundabouts.

Thank you
Heidi Stears

From: Jeff Hoover <juneaufour@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 12:05 PM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout comment

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To CBJ

I support the new proposed roundabout in the valley to eliminate the stop light at valley Blvd. I don't think it's the highest priority road issue in Juneau but roundabouts are better than stop lights. I think a higher priority roundabout would be where the back loop intersects the Mendenhall glacier road. Making a left hand turn there is very difficult. If you build roundabouts then do NOT have a high mound in the center of the roundabout because it cuts down the visibility when entering roundabout.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Jeff Hoover
Juneau resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: Melissa Hartman <melissa_susan_h@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 12:12 PM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Roundabout

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Hello,

I really don't think another roundabout on Mendenhall Loop road is necessary, especially with the closing of Floyd Dryden.
The flow of traffic is much smoother now in that area, and no longer backs up like it used too.
I feel like there are other areas that the money could be used for.

Melissa Hartman

From: Jill Lewis (AK) <jill.lewis.ak@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 12:29 PM
To: PC_Comments
Cc: jill.lewis.ak@gmail.com
Subject: Mendenhall Loop roundabout CSP 2024 0002

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I am writing to oppose the new proposed roundabout at the intersection of Mendenhall Loop Rd and Valley Blvd. The new roundabout is within sight of the two existing roundabouts on Loop Rd and is simply too close to be practical. I would support a roundabout at the intersection of Mendenhall Loop Rd and Back Loop Rd as an alternative.

Jill Lewis
4315 Taku Blvd

From: Sandi <srshaw@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 1:37 PM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: CSP 2024 0002

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Hi, I'm writing about the new roundabout being proposed in the valley. Please leave the stop light in and use the funding for other City projects needed more, such as flood mitigation measures for Suicide Basin and the valley homes affected. This is a complete waste of money when there's other issues that need priority. Thank you, Sandra Shaw

From: Monica <lynn_moni@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2024 5:06 PM
To: PC_Comments
Subject: Proposed roundabout

EXTERNAL E-MAIL: BE CAUTIOUS WHEN OPENING FILES OR FOLLOWING LINKS

I do not support another roundabout at the Valley blvd intersection. The ones we have are a safety hazard for both drivers and pedestrians. You cannot see the crosswalks from the other side. They should not have been placed where they are. Many pedestrians do not press the lights button. You have no idea they are there until you almost hit them. You cannot see past the roundabout from the other side. This is a safety hazard for all. The two lanes at the duck creek intersection- the other lanes should be turn lanes ONLY!
In winter, with snow and ice, it causes vehicles to slide out.

Save the money to use elsewhere!!

No more roundabouts!

Monica Whitehead

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