SOUTH YUBA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
915 Eighth Street, Linda Conference Room
Marysville, California

NOVEMBER 10, 2026 – 4:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Welcome to the South Yuba Transportation Improvement Authority meeting. As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones or other electronic devices, which may disrupt the meeting. The public will be given opportunity to comment on action items on the agenda when the item is heard and comments shall be limited to three minutes per individual or group.

CALL TO ORDER: Welcome. As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones or other electronic devices which might disrupt the meeting. Thank you.

I **ROLL CALL** – Directors Abe, Bradford, Messick, Pesenti

II **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Any person may speak about any subject of concern within the jurisdiction of the authority which is not on today's agenda. The total amount of time allotted shall be limited to a total of 15 minutes and each individual or group will be limited to no more than 3 minutes. Prior to this time, speakers are requested to fill out a "Request to Speak" card and submit it to the secretary.**

III **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Approve meeting minutes of June 2, 2026.

B. Receive status update and reports on Beale Expressway Project, an informational only update on recent activities, next steps, and the spending plan.

C. Receive status update on South Beale Road Railroad Grade Separation Project, and approve new project alternative (Alternative 3) for inclusion in the project report, and the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase of the South Beale Railroad Grade Separation Project.

IV **BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS REPORTS**

V **ADJOURN**

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MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2026

Called to order at 4:02 p.m. with a quorum being present as follows: Directors Abe, Bradford, Messick and Pesenti. Also present were Deputy County Counsel Kelly Smith and Clerk of the Board Mary Pasillas. Chair Bradford presided.

I ROLL CALL – Directors Abe, Bradford, Messick, Pesenti – all present

II PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

III ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve meeting minutes of October 7, 2025.

MOTION: Move to approve as written
MOVED: Jon Messick SECOND: David Pesenti
AYES: Brian Abe, Gary Bradford, Jon Messick, David Pesenti
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Approved via unanimous Vote

B. Receive status update on South Beale Road Railroad Grade Separation Project, and approve re-allocation funding to Dokken Engineering in the amount of $1,250,00. to continue work on the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase of the South Beale Railroad Grade Separation Project. Community Development and Services Director, Mike Lee introduced Dokken Engineering, Senior Engineer Jacqueline Lockhart who provided a PowerPoint presentation recapping the following, and responded to Board inquiries.
- Project goals
- Recent activities
- Next steps
- Maps – Alternate 1A and 1B

The following individuals spoke:
- Sean Tollenhar
- Ernest Ehniz
- Frank Webb
- Dean webb

MOTION: Move to approve with alternate alternatives
MOVED: Brian Abe SECOND: David Pesenti
AYES: Brian Abe, Gary Bradford, Jon Messick, David Pesenti
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Approved via unanimous Vote

C. Receive status update on Beale Expressway Project, and approve funding to Dokken Engineering in the amount of $600,000. to continue work on the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED); Direct staff to draft and negotiate a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Placer County to identify their role as a responsible agency and establish a framework for coordination with SYTIA as the lead agency for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Continue to work with Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) to update programming in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). Community Development and Services Director, Mike Lee introduced Dokken Engineers Vice President Matthew Griggs who provided a recap and responded to Board inquiries.

The following individual spoke:

- Juann Ramos
- Henry Gilbert

MOTION: Move to approve
MOVED: Brian Abe SECOND: Jon Messick
AYES: Brian Abe, Gary Bradford, Jon Messick, David Pesenti
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Approved via unanimous Vote

D. Approve Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Community Development and Services Director, Mike Lee provided budget highlights and responded to Board inquiries.

MOTION: Move to approve
MOVED: Jon Messick SECOND: Brian Abe
AYES: Brian Abe, Gary Bradford, Jon Messick, David Pesenti
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Approved via unanimous Vote

IV BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS REPORTS – None

V ADJOURN: 5:09 pm

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Chair

SECRETARY ATTEST:
MARY PASILLAS
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

_____ Approved: _____

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November 2, 2026

TO: SYTIA Board of Directors

FROM: Michael Lee, Yuba County CDSA Director

SUBJ: Presentation on SYTIA Beale Expressway Status

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1) There are no recommendations to be acted upon, the presentation is an informational update only.

BACKGROUND:

On August 2, 2022, the SYTIA Board (Board) authorized SYTIA staff to execute a professional service agreement with Dokken Engineering for the preparation of a Project Study Report (PSR) for the Beale Expressway (formerly East Wheatland Expressway). The agreement included authorization of the PSR tasks and allowed for the future authorization of the PA&ED phases of the project. The PSR was completed and approved on June 25, 2024.

On October 7, 2025, the Board approved Amendment No. 1 with Dokken Engineering to proceed with the PA&ED phase of the project. At that meeting, the Board allocated $500,000 for FY25/26 for the advancement of the PA&ED phase. SYTIA subsequently authorized Dokken Engineering to begin the PA&ED activities in October 2025. The total FY25/26 expenditure was $184,741

On June 2, 2026, the Board approved an allocation for FY 26/27 of $600,000 for the continuation of PA&ED phase of the project. Expenditures for FY 26/27 from July 1 through September 30 total approximately $100,000.

DISCUSSION:

The main work elements in progress in FY 2026/2027 include the following:

- Continuing population and employment forecasting to capture the unique conditions of the need for quality housing near Beale Air Force Base and the extensive daily commute currently occurring
- Completing the topographic surveying and base mapping

- Reconciling the parcel boundaries and existing roadway rights-of-way
- Continuing the on-site environmental studies and the preparation of environmental reports
- Refinement of the preliminary design considering stakeholders including:
    - farming access
    - parcels along the old SR-65 affected by the project
    - South Sutter Water District (SSWD)
    - RD1001 operational roadways
    - RD2103 operational roadways
    - Placer County for local roadway connections and impacts
- Coordination with UPRR to initiate the complex process of permitting a new railroad overcrossing

We anticipate the following progress occurring in the remainder of the FY until June 30, 2027:

1) Completing the Traffic Study,
2) Completing many of the environmental technical reports,
3) Preparing portions of the Draft CEQA Environmental Impact Report,
4) Hosting an on-site Diagnostic Meeting with California Public Utilities Commission and the Union Pacific Railroad,
5) Advancing the engineering work that accompanies project approval,
6) Beginning to draft the Project Report and attachments,
7) Identifying and vetting potential construction funding opportunities, and
8) Continuing to work toward SACOG accepting this project into the MTP and the MTIP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no recommendations today or items that require action from the Board. Work is proceeding as planned based on the FY 26/27 allocation amount.

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November 10, 2026

TO: SYTIA Board of Directors

FROM: Michael Lee, Yuba County CDSA Director

SUBJ: Presentation and Action on South Beale Road Railroad Grade Separation - New Alternative

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve new project alternative (Alternative 3) to move forward with the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase of the South Beale Road Railroad Grade Separation Project.

BACKGROUND:

On June 2, 2026, the SYTIA Board (Board) gave direction to Dokken Engineering to evaluate a new project alternative based on public comments made during the Board meeting. Some landowners expressed concerns regarding Alternative 1A/1B's realignment of South Beale Road bisecting agricultural and dairy land, as well as the realignment's close proximity to residential properties. These landowners requested SYTIA consider and evaluate another alternative in lieu of Alternative 1A/1B. This new alternative shall parallel the existing Union Pacific Railroad tracks (on the east side), connecting to the existing South Beale Road much further west, near the existing at-grade railroad crossing. This would significantly reduce impacts to the dairy that Alternative 1A/1B poses. Please note that Alternative 2 from the PSR-PDS has already been removed from further study due to environmental impacts and increased costs. Therefore, this newly considered alignment we are calling Alternative 3.

Dokken Engineering has developed a new project alternative, Alternative 3, that maintains the proposed interchange location of Alternative 1A/1B; however, east of the UPRR tracks, Alternative 3 immediately turns south towards the existing South Beale Road. The new Alternative 3 is a close representation of the proposed alignment presented by the public during the June 2, 2026 meeting.

DISCUSSION:

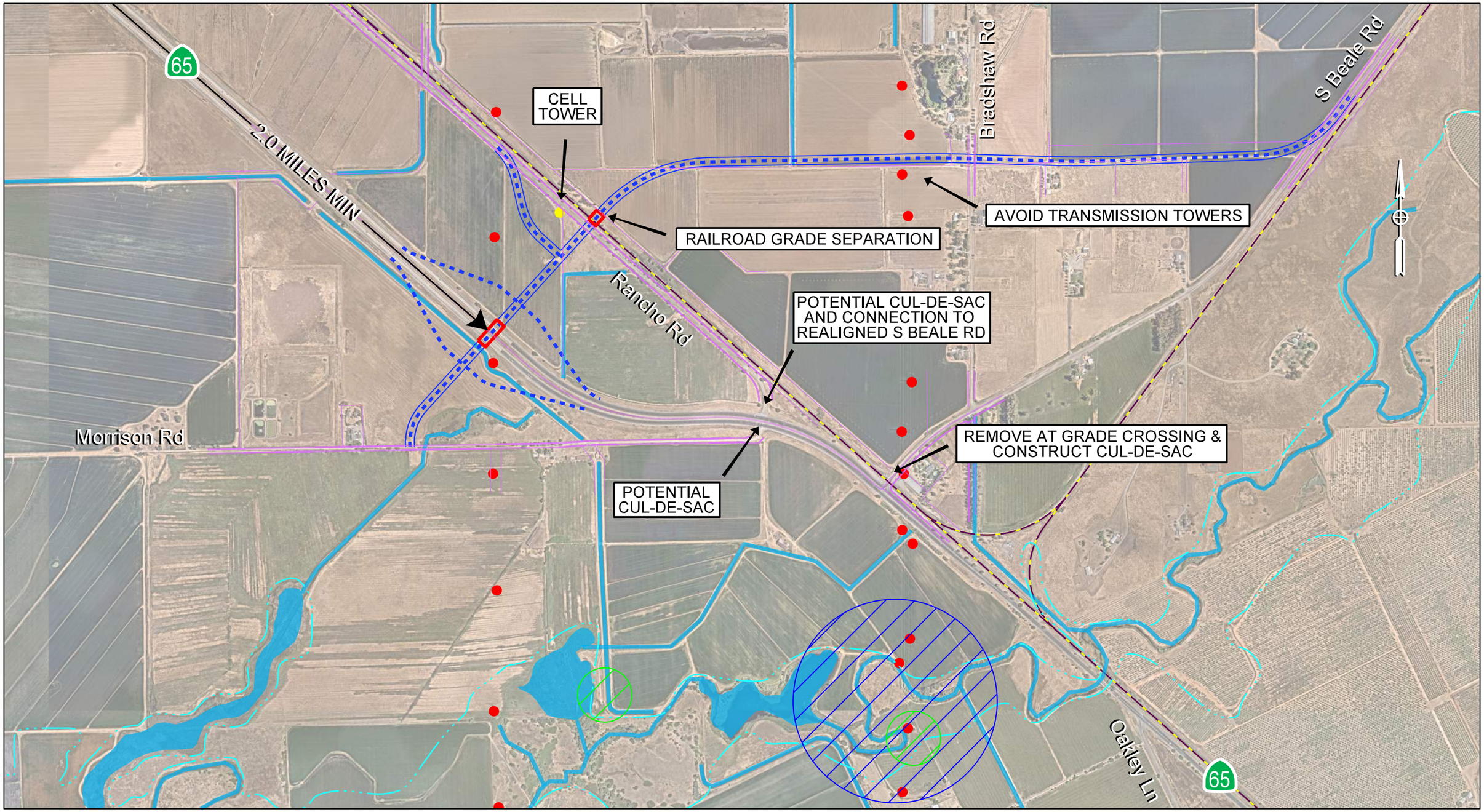
The new Alternative 3 has been reviewed by County staff and presented to the property owners who had previously raised concerns. Preliminary discussions with landowners indicate that Alternative 3 is more favorable to them than Alternative 1A/1B. The public meeting today will afford the landowners an opportunity to provide input to your Board on the proposed new Alternative 3. Pending any significant landowner dissent, staff are requesting your Board approve Alternative 3 for inclusion in the Project Report and PA&ED phase of the project.

Pending approval to move forward with Alternative 3 as the preferred alternative, we anticipate the following major progress this fiscal year within the previously approved funding allocation.

1) Obtain Permits to Enter from remaining private property owners.
2) Update the Traffic Operations Analysis Report (TOAR) and receive approval from Caltrans.
3) Perform environmental field studies.
4) Complete the environmental technical studies in support of NEPA and receive approval through Caltrans.
5) Prepare the NEPA Categorical Exclusion with Caltrans as the lead agency.
6) Advance the engineering work that accompanies project approval.
7) Prepare the Project Report and attachments and receive approval from Caltrans.

Attachments:

Alternative 1A Alignment Exhibit
Alternative 1B Alignment Exhibit
Alternative 3 Alignment Exhibit



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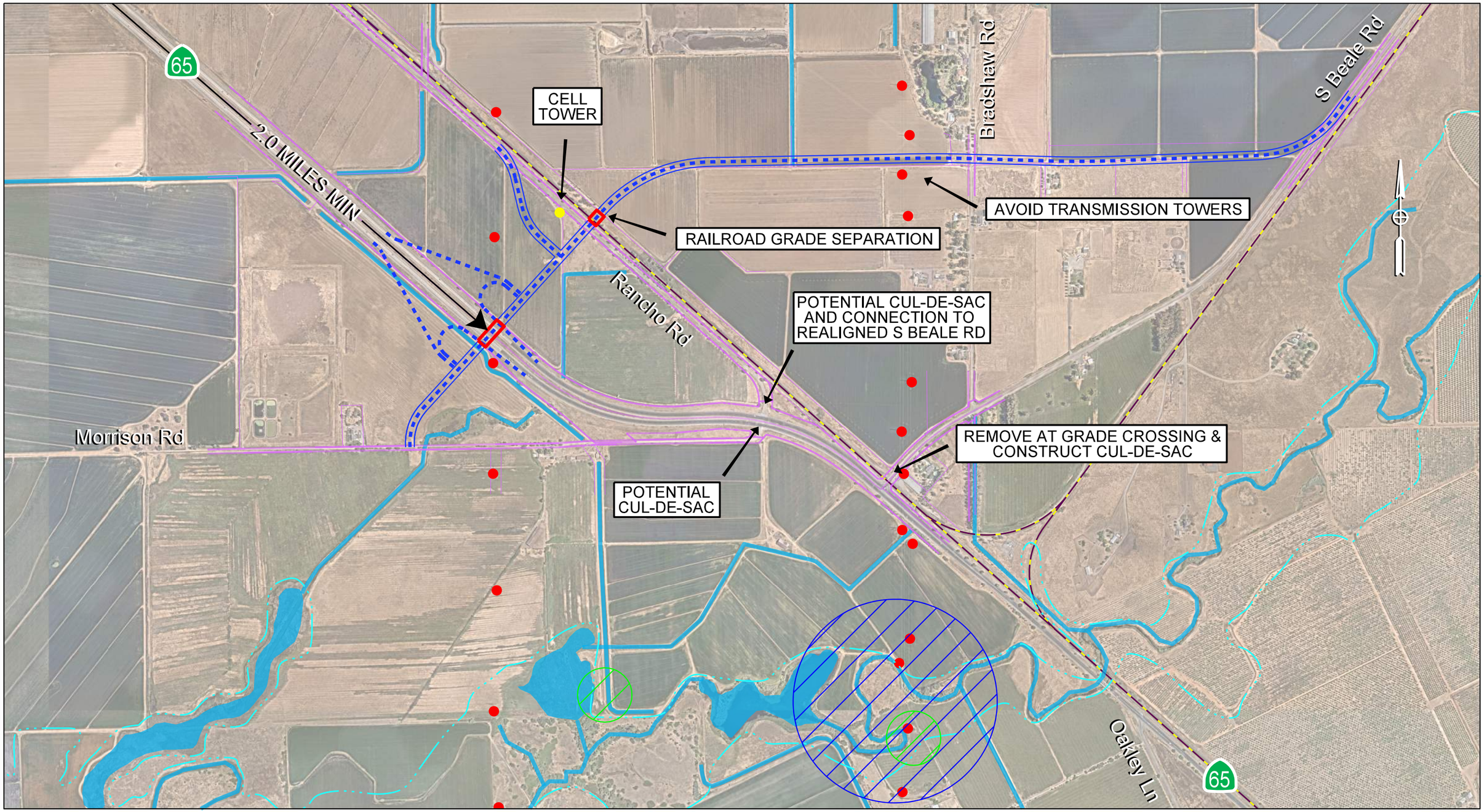
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EXHIBIT
ALTERNATIVE 1A - NORTH LAYOUT



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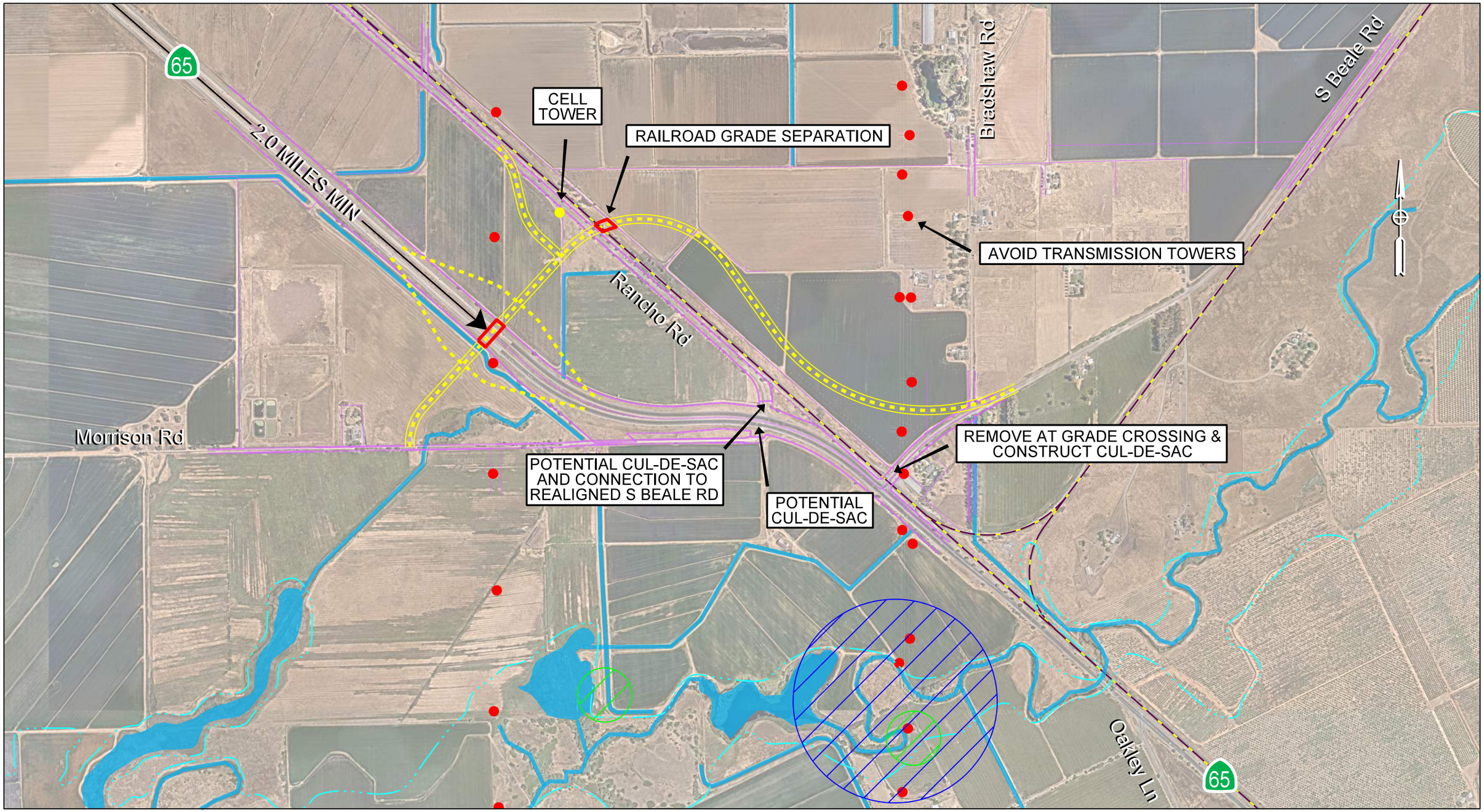
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