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Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Southcoast Region

NOTICE OF INTENT TO BEGIN ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING STUDIES

& NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

DOT&PF invites you to attend a Public Workshop

Date: Tuesday, October 30, 2018

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Place: Cape Fox Lodge, Shaa Hit Room

800 Venetia Ave, KTN AK 99901

Learn about and comment on the proposed KTN Tongass Avenue Improvements Project Z-68091-0000 / 0902042

About the Project

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is proposing to improve Tongass Avenue between Hoadley Creek Bridge (adjacent to the hospital) to the beginning of the Tongass Avenue Viaduct (1600 Block of Tongass Ave.) within downtown Ketchikan, Alaska.

Maps of the proposed project will be available at the open house, or available upon request.

Additional graphics are also available as attachments to this Online Public Notice.

The purpose of the project is to address traffic and safety deficiencies within the corridor by making the road more accessible to bicyclists and pedestrians, including those with disabilities, improve transit services, improve traffic flow for the high volume of vehicles in this area, and to correct surface deficiencies of the road.

The project would:

- Reconfigure Tongass Ave into 3 lanes from Hoadley Creek to 1st Ave (south of Whitecliff) with uniform 11-foot wide lanes in each direction and a 12-foot wide two way left turn lane in the middle.
- Add bike lanes in each direction from Hoadley Creek to Washington Street intersection.
- Make bicycle improvements from Washington Street to the end of the project, which may include sharrows (shared lanes).

- Convert the double left turn lane from Jefferson St. to Tongass Ave. into a single left turn lane.
- Construct Tongass into uniform 2 lanes with on-street parking from 1st Ave to Tongass Ave. Viaduct abutment (end of project).
- Remove the merge lane at the Washington Avenue intersection, and replace with on-street parking.
- Install median pedestrian refuge islands and bulb-outs.
- Eliminate or remove pedestrian crossings.
- Remove the right turn only lane to the hospital.
- Reconstruct, construct, or remove sidewalks, curb ramps, bus stops and driveways to make compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Relocate or reconstruct utilities and power poles to make sidewalks ADA compliant.
- Relocate inlets and catch basins.
- Adjust grades to improve drainage.

Construction is projected for summer 2019.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by DOT&PF pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated November 3, 2017 and executed by FHWA and DOT&PF.

Development of this proposed project would follow a process required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Based on project location and scope of work, the environmental document is anticipated to be a categorical exclusion (CE). Possible affected resources include wetlands, waters of the U.S., eagles, and cultural or historic properties.

The proposed project would comply with all applicable authorities including:

- National Historic Preservation Act Sect. 106
- EO-13175 (Consult & Coordinate w/ Indian Tribal Gov.)
- EO-11593 (Protect & Enhance Cultural Env.)
- Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conserv Mgt Act
- Clean Air Act
- EO-12898 (Env. Justice)
- EO-13007 (Indian Sacred Sites)
- EO-11990 (Protect Wetlands)
- EO-11988 (Floodplains Mgt)
- Clean Water Act

DOT&PF is soliciting comments and information on the proposed project. Your comments would help us evaluate potential environmental, social and economic impacts of this project as well as impacts to historic and cultural resources.

If you have comments, questions, or a request for more project information, please contact:

Emily Haynes, Environmental Analyst
 DOT&PF, Southcoast Region Phone: 907-465-1826
 P.O. Box 112506 FAX: 907-465-4414
 Juneau AK 99811-2506 E-mail: emily.haynes@alaska.gov

To ensure that all possible factors are considered, please provide comments via email or fax, or mailing address until 5pm, November 15, 2018.

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If you or someone you represent requires special accommodations in order to respond to this public notice, or to attend the public workshop, please call or email the project coordinator listed above or call Alaska Relay at 711 or call

(800) 770-8973 for TTY (800) 770-8255 for voice

(800) 770-3919 for ASCII (866) 355-6198 for STS

Ask the communications assistant to call the project coordinator listed above so arrangements can be made to assist you.

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Attachments

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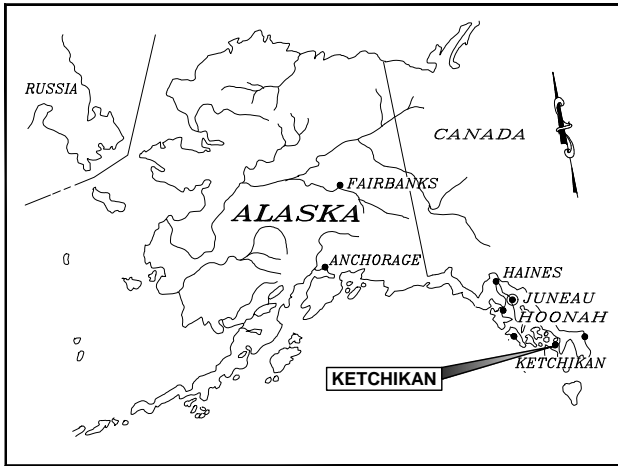
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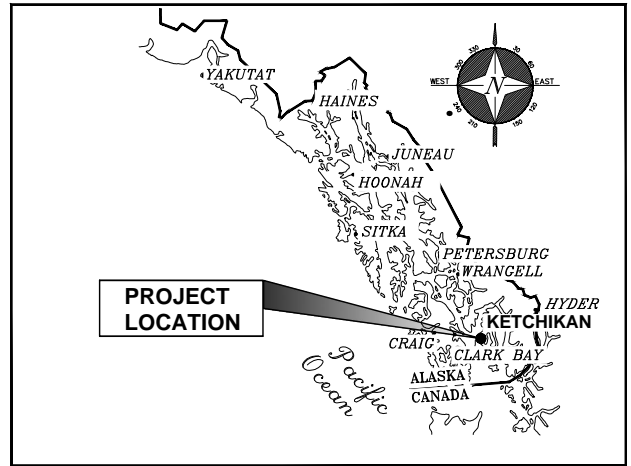
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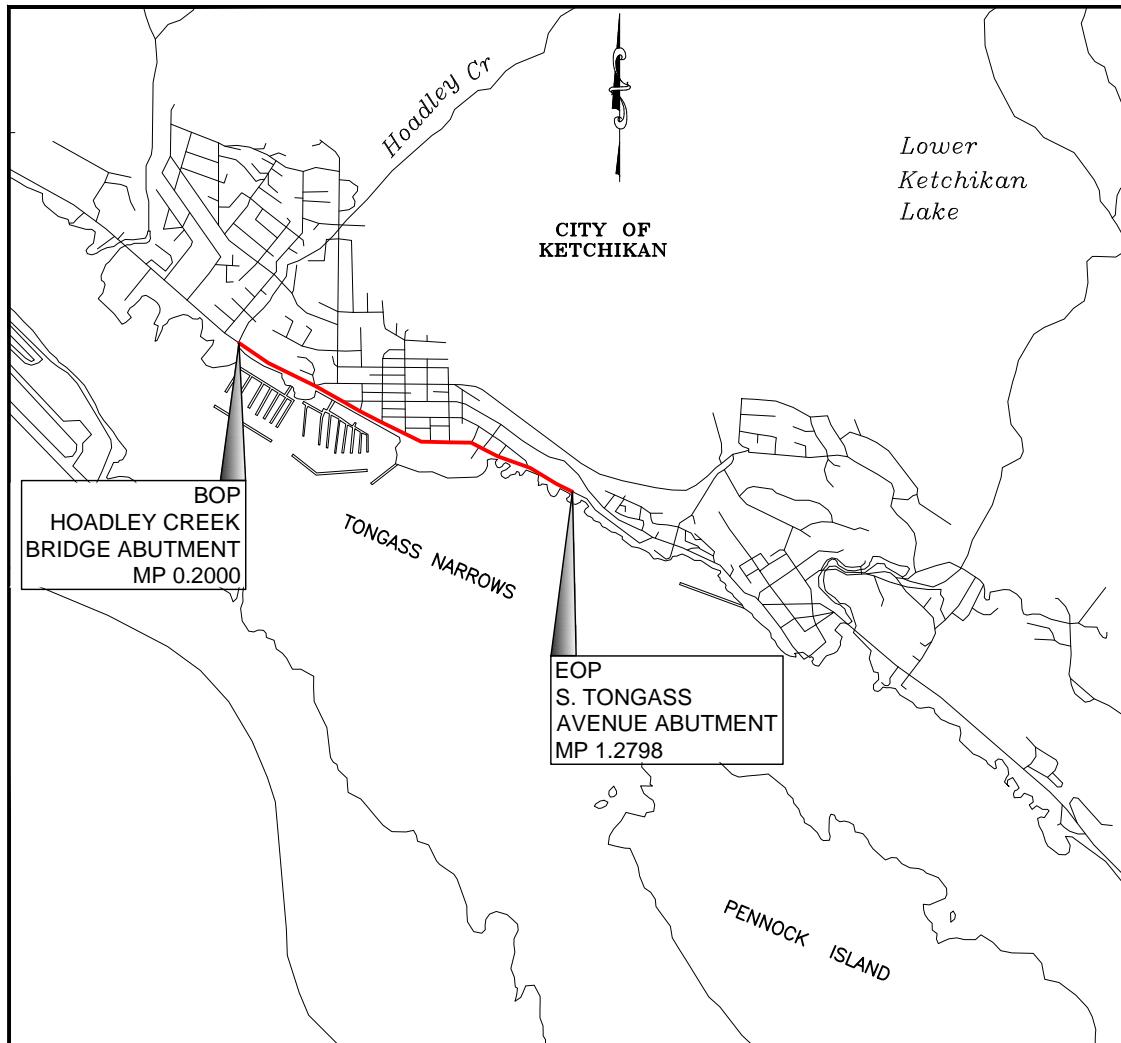




KEY MAP



LOCATION MAP



WATER BODIES:
TONGASS NARROWS

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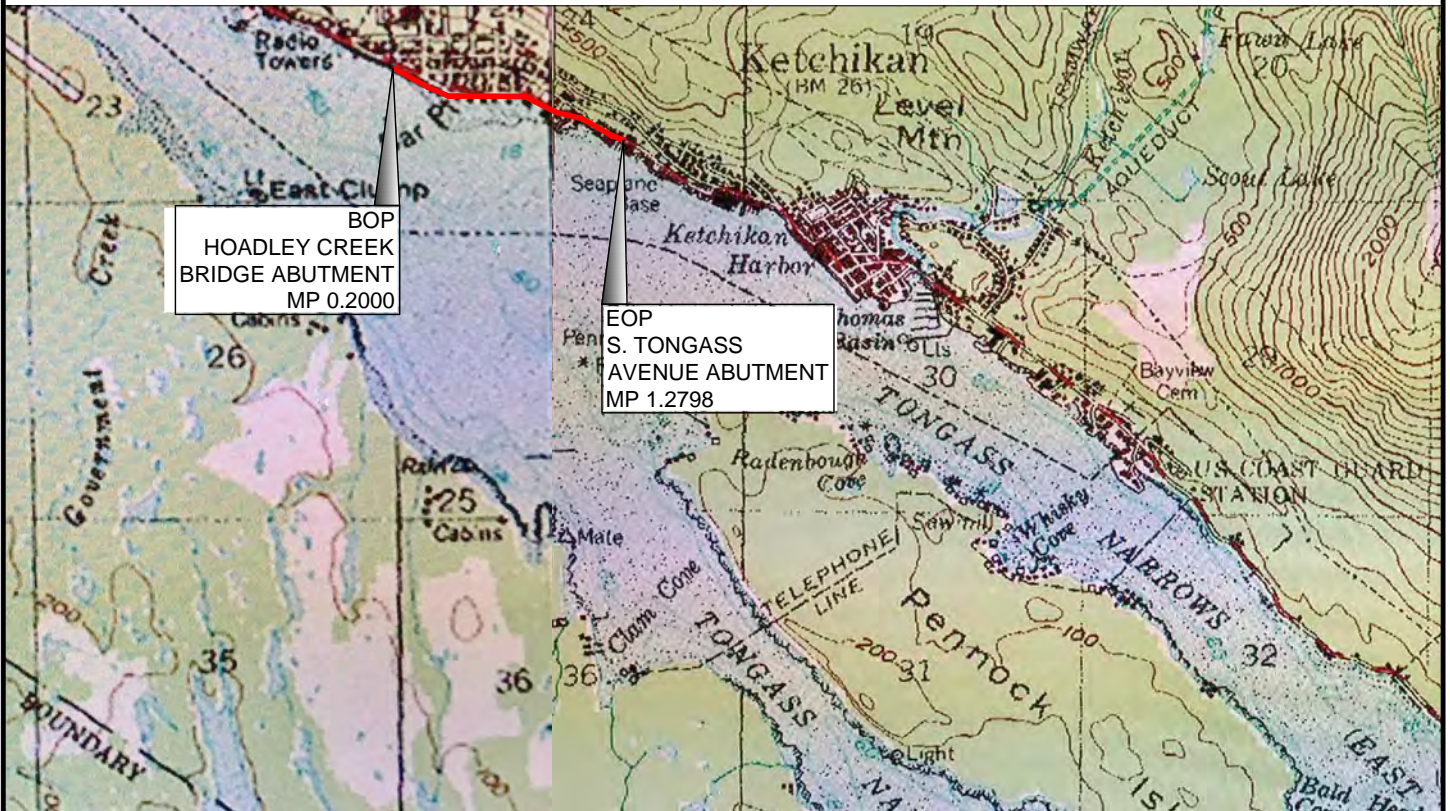
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AT: KETCHIKAN, ALASKA
LOCATED IN: SEC 24, T 75S, R 90E, COPPER RIVER MERIDIAN, KETCHIKAN B-5 QUADRANGLE MAP

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BOP
HOADLEY CREEK
BRIDGE ABUTMENT
MP 0.2000

EOP
S. TONGASS
AVENUE ABUTMENT
MP 1.2798



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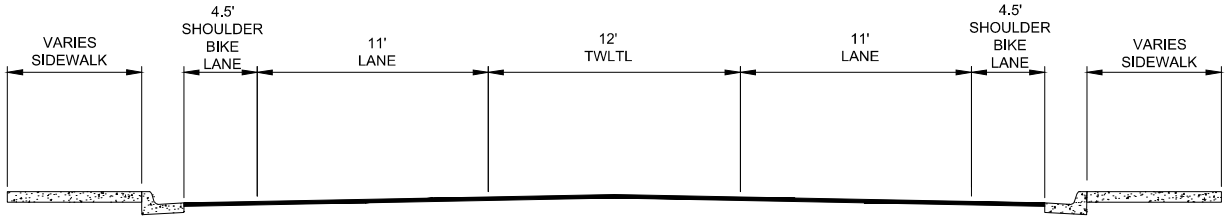
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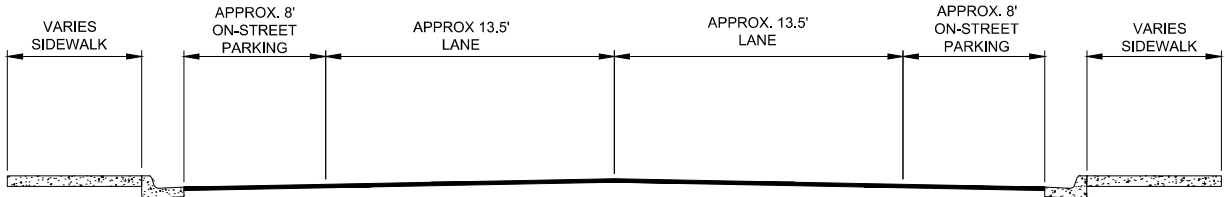
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THREE LANE TYPICAL SECTION



TWO LANE TYPICAL SECTION
WITH ON STREET PARKING

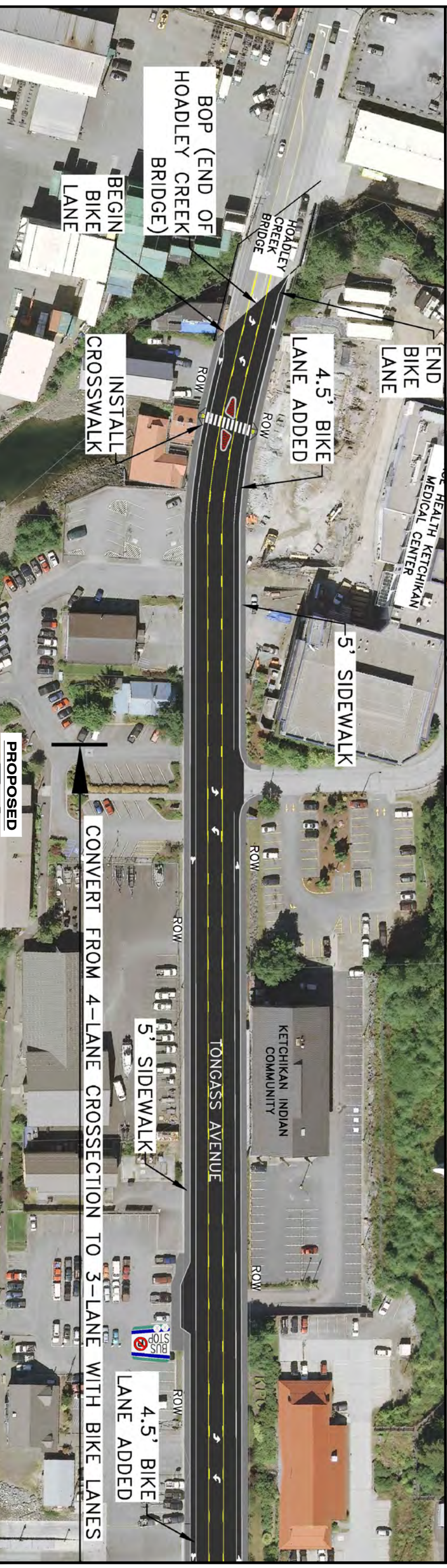
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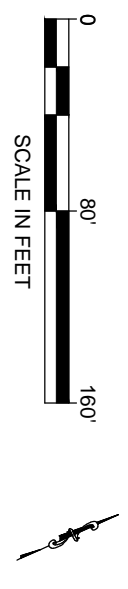
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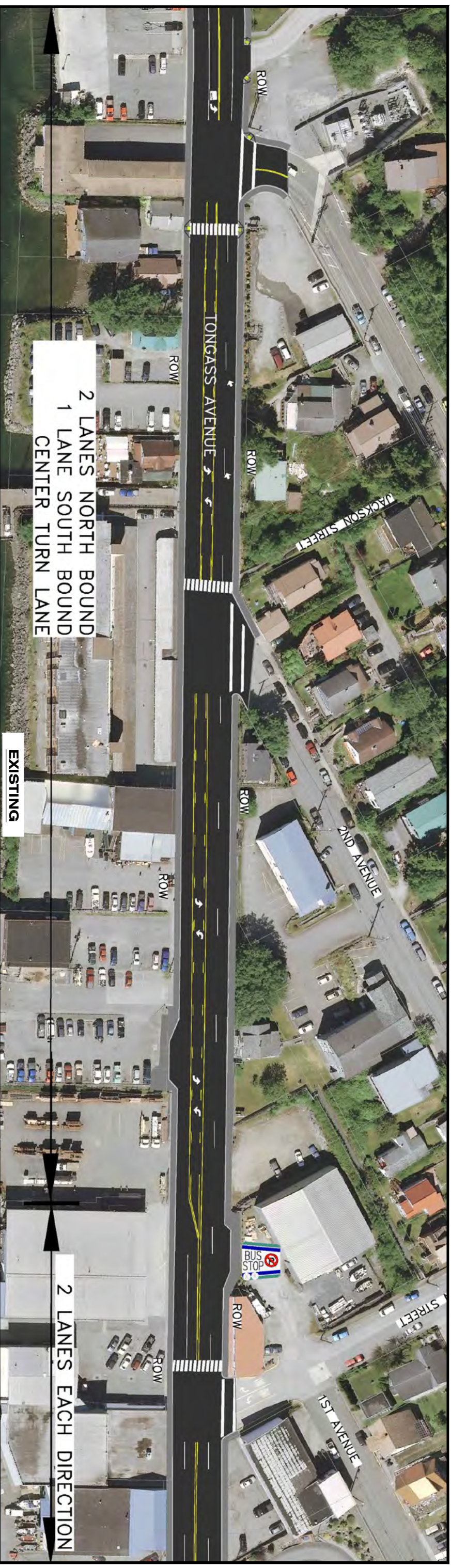


- LEGEND**
- TWO-WAY-LEFT TURN LANE
 - MARKED CROSSWALK
 - BIKE LANE
 - ROW = RIGHT-OF-WAY SIDE WALK



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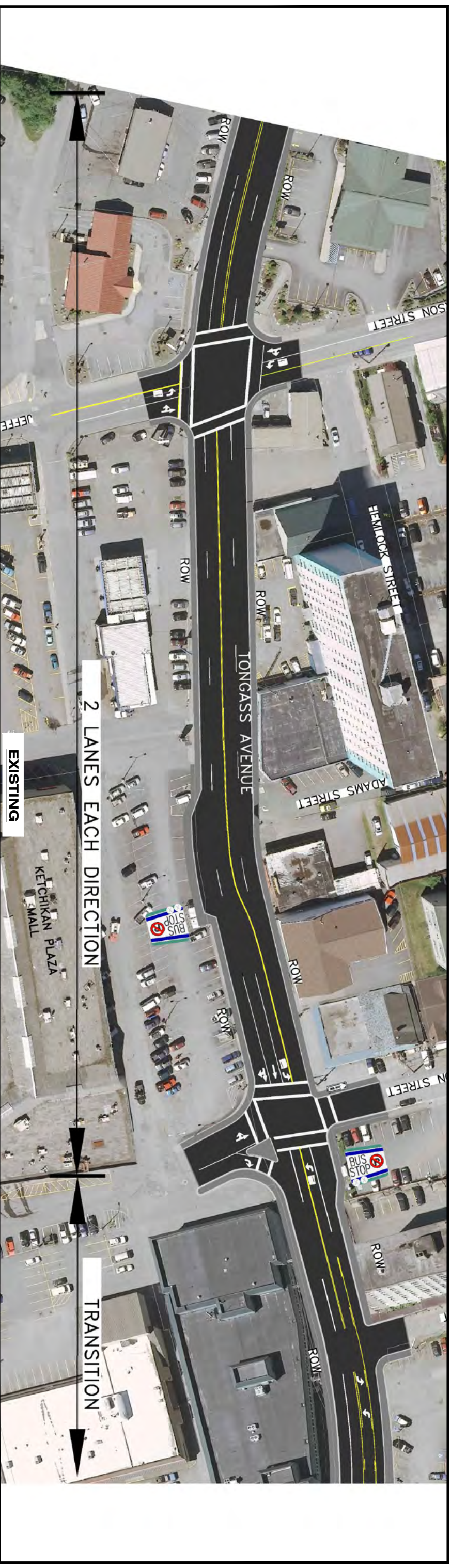
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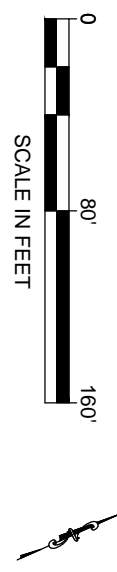
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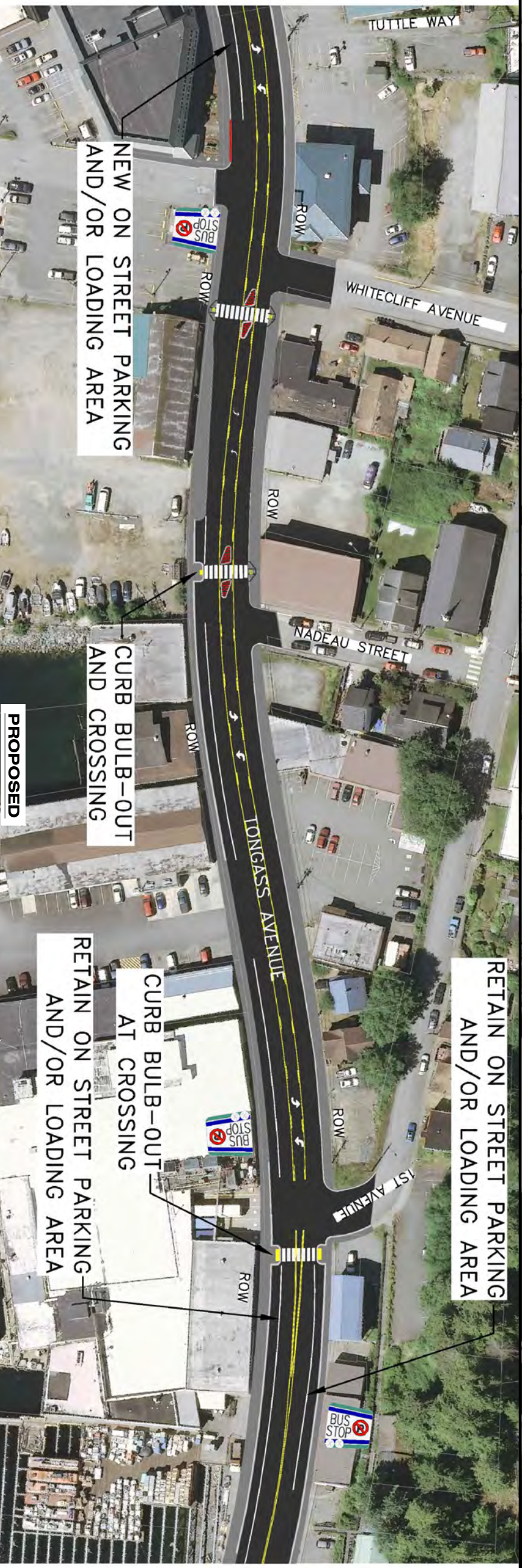


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1 LANE EACH DIRECTION

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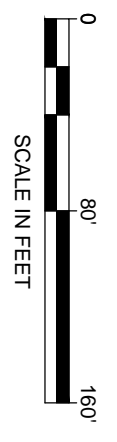
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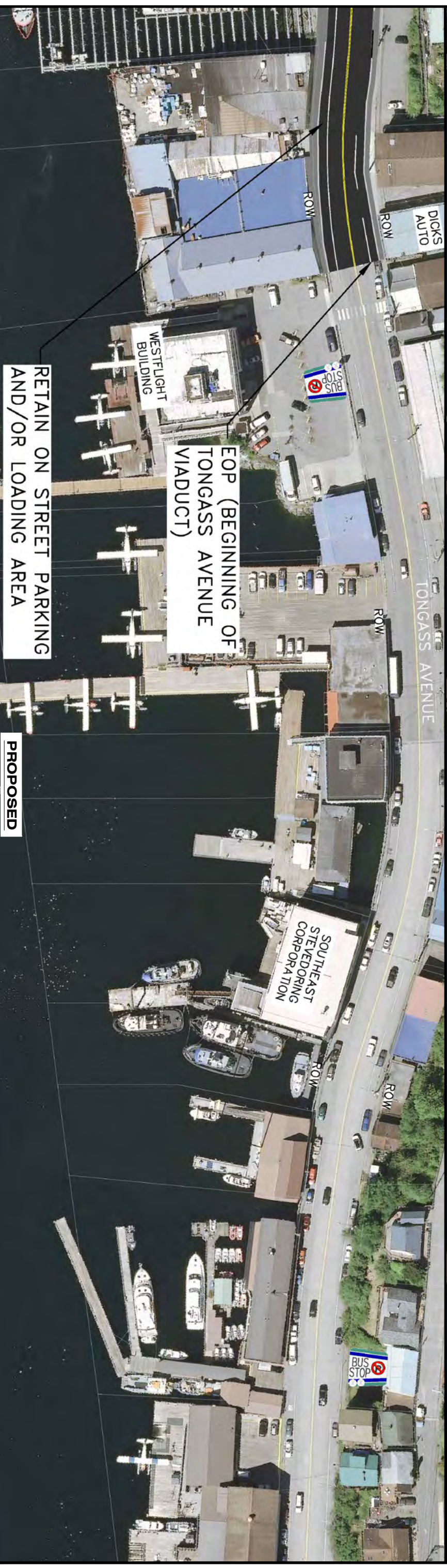
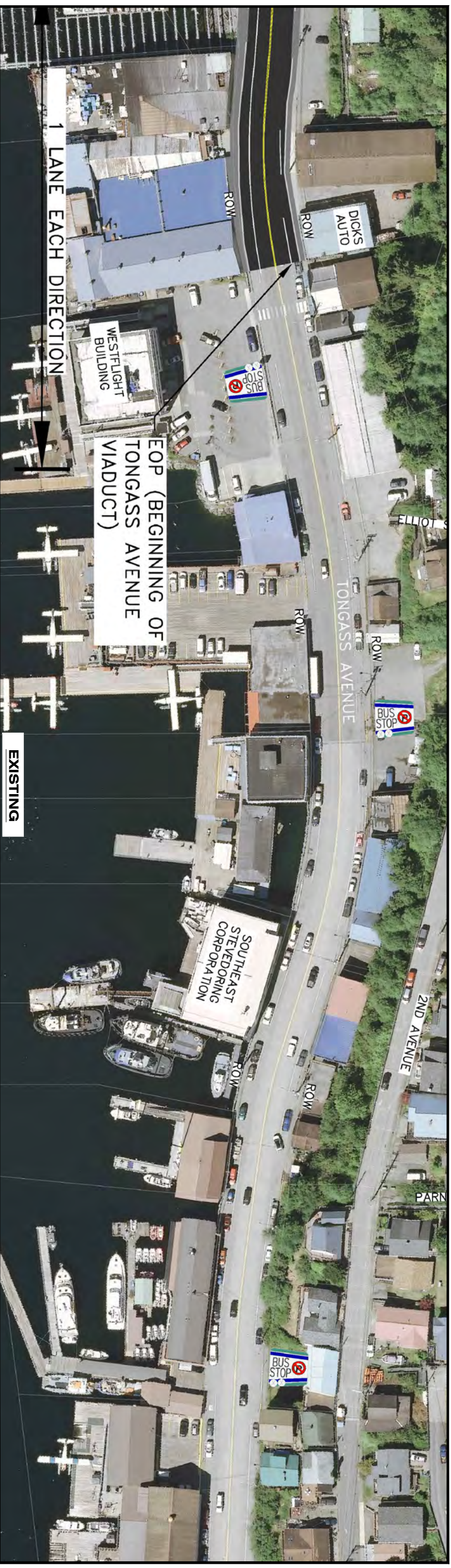
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