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**Public Meeting For
I-35 Over Waterloo Road
Interchange
In Oklahoma & Logan Counties**

January 28, 2016

TEAM INTRODUCTIONS

■ ODOT

- Brian Taylor - Division 4 Engineer
- Joe Echelle - Division 4 Construction Engineer
- Siv Sundaram - Environmental Programs
- Tim Vermillion - Environmental Project Manager
- Daniel Nguyen - Project Management
- Caleb Austin - Roadway
- Eduardo Elder - Roadway
- Steve Jacobi - Bridge
- Teresa Stowe - Right-of-Way & Utilities
- Frank Roesler III - Public Involvement Officer

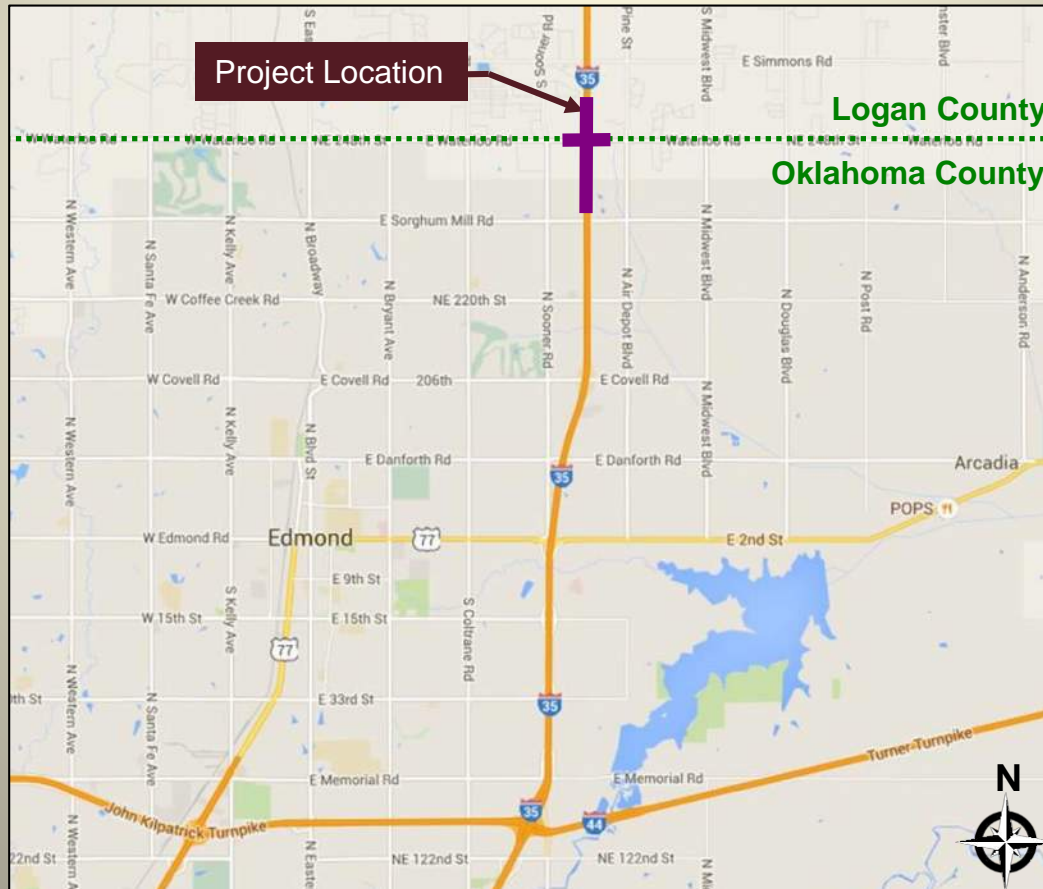


■ GARVER

- Jenny Sallee - Project Manager
- Kirsten McCullough - Environmental Lead
- Mike Spayd - Traffic Lead
- Lacee Stanley - Environmental Specialist
- Andrew Snyder - Roadway Lead

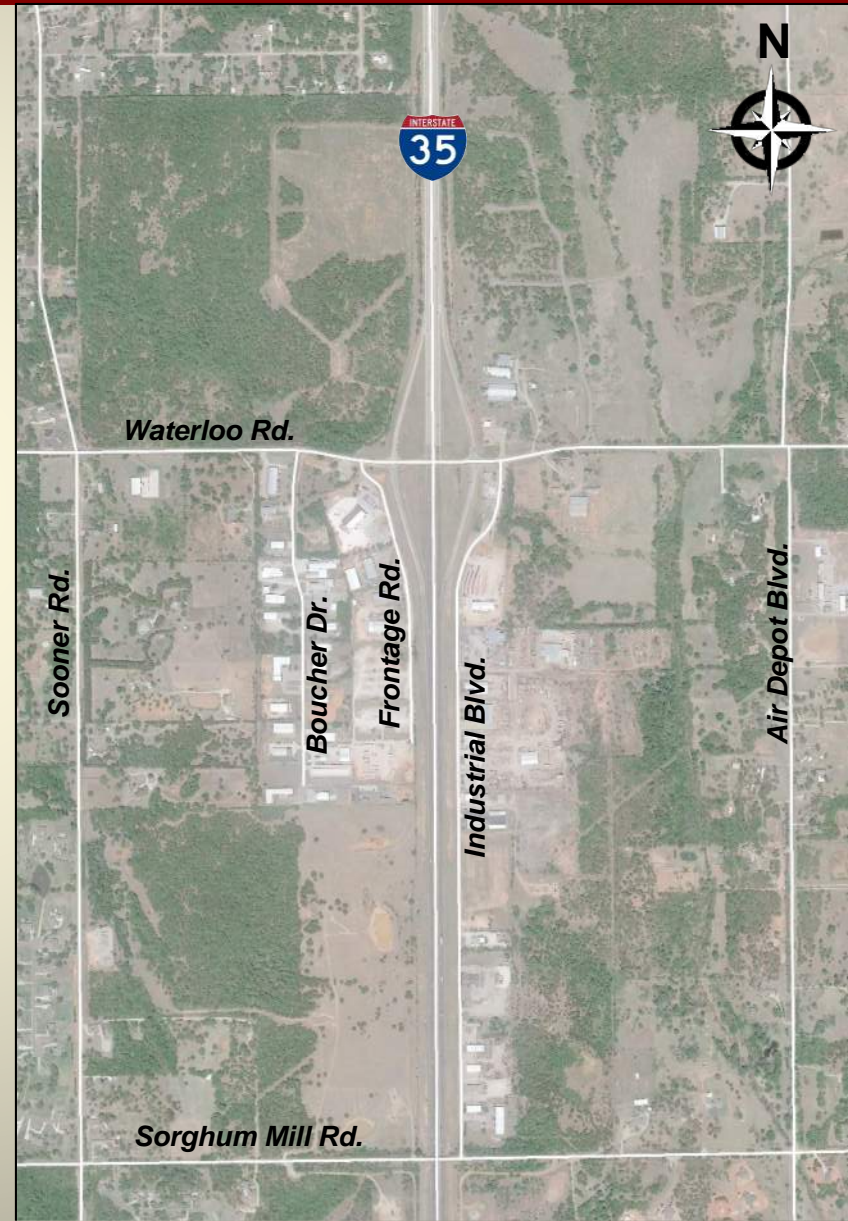


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About the Proposed Improvements to
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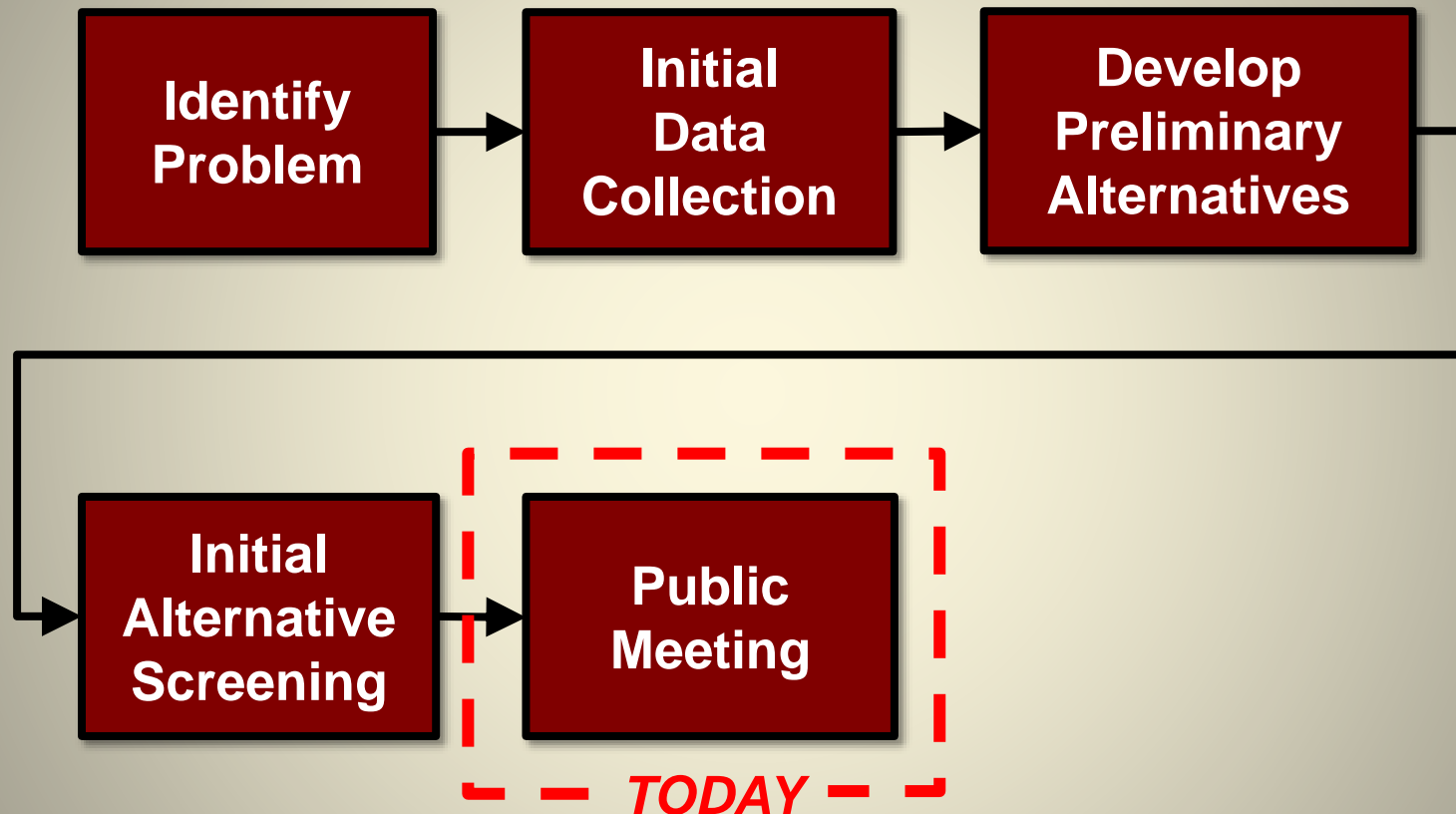


PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT

...is to Improve Safety and Accommodate Existing and Future Traffic Demand at the I-35 and Waterloo Road Interchange and Improve the Vertical Clearance Under the Existing Bridge



PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



PROJECT AREA INFORMATION

General Data

- I-35
 - 4-Lane Divided Highway With 10-ft Outside Shoulders and 4-ft Inside Shoulders
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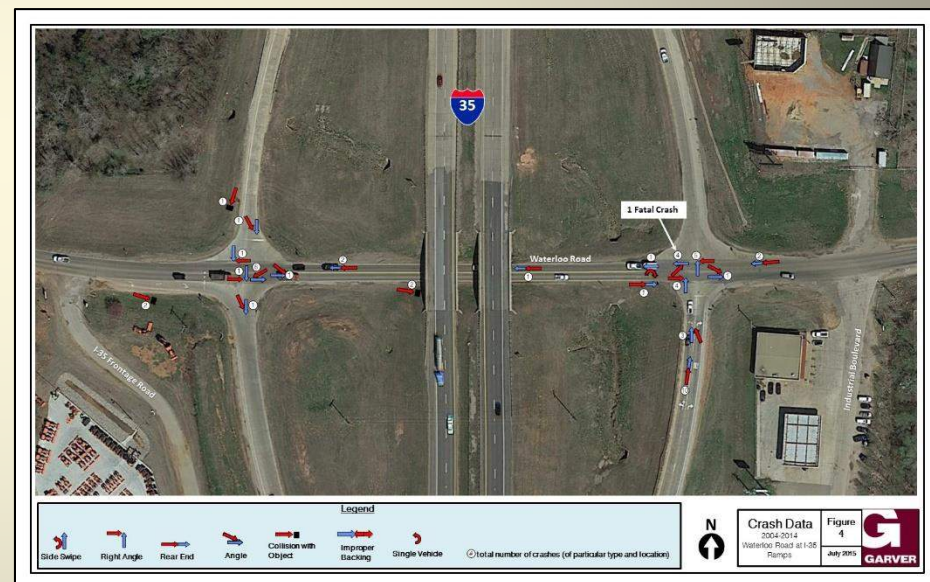
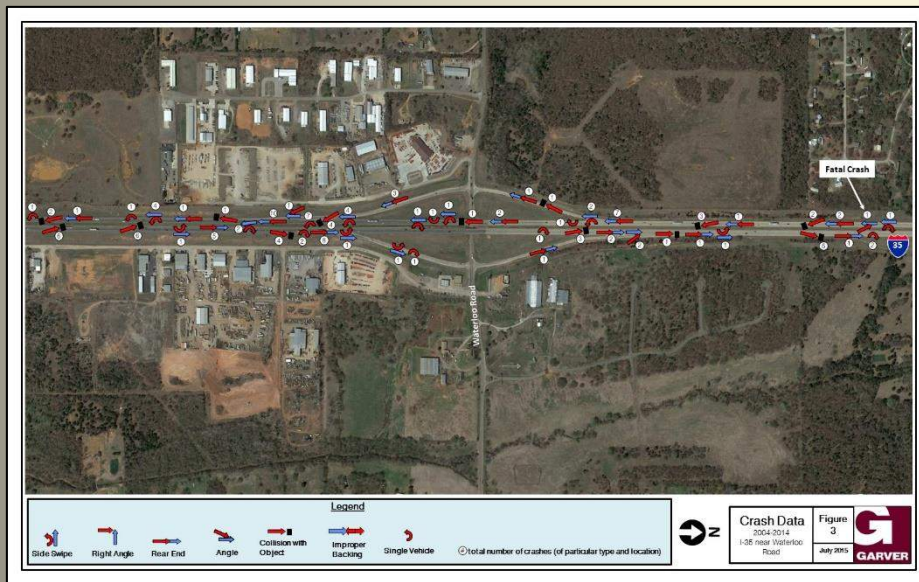
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COLLISION DATA

■ Collision Data

- Total: 172 Documented Accidents (2004-2014)
 - 126 Personal Property Damage
 - 46 Injury (With 2 Fatal Accidents)
- Over 44% Rear End or Turning Collisions



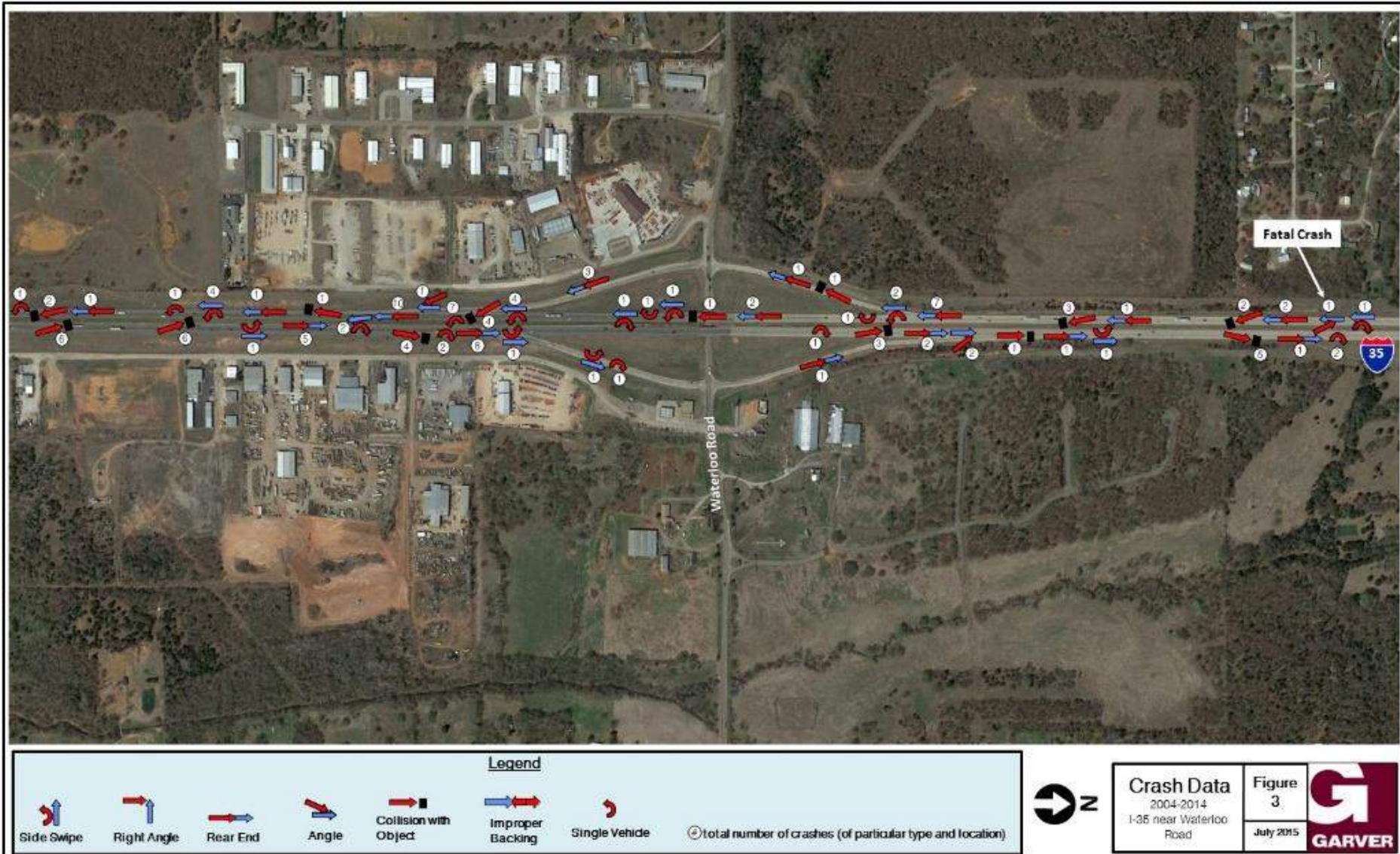
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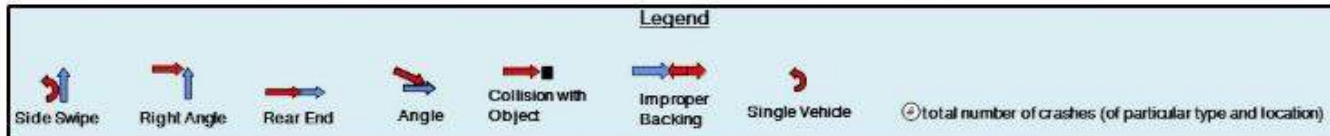
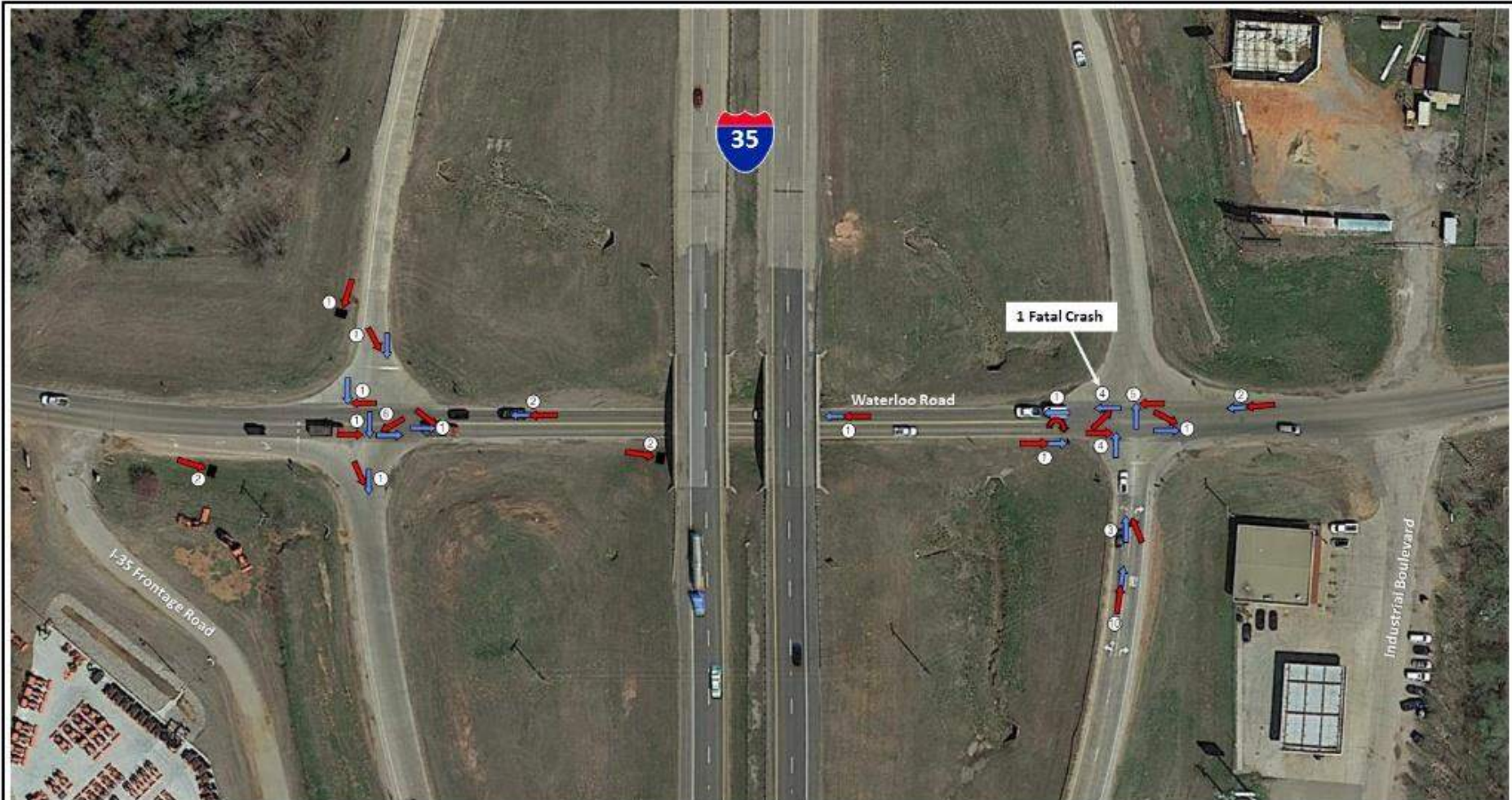
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COLLISION DATA



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Crash Data
2004-2014
Waterloo Road at I-35
Ramps

Figure 4
July 2015



EXISTING CONDITIONS

WARRANT IMPROVEMENT

■ Roadway Deficiencies

- Capacity
 - I-35
 - Waterloo Rd. – Turn & Thru Lanes
- Narrow Shoulders
- Vertical Curves
 - Under Bridge
 - East of Industrial Boulevard
- Proximity of Side Roads
- Sight Distance



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EXISTING CONDITIONS WARRANT IMPROVEMENT

■ Existing Bridge Conditions

- Twin Structures Built in 1958 (57 Years)
- Structural Condition - Fair
- Functionally Obsolete
 - Vertical Clearance = 13'-11"
 - Horizontal Clearance = 38'
 - Clear Roadway Width = 38'



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- **Data Collection Area**
 - Encompassed all Alternatives
 - Database Research and Field Reconnaissance

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Identified Project Constraints

- Intersections 
- Residences/Businesses
 - Driveways
 - Local Access
- Utilities – Centurion Pipeline
- Proposed Trinity Development
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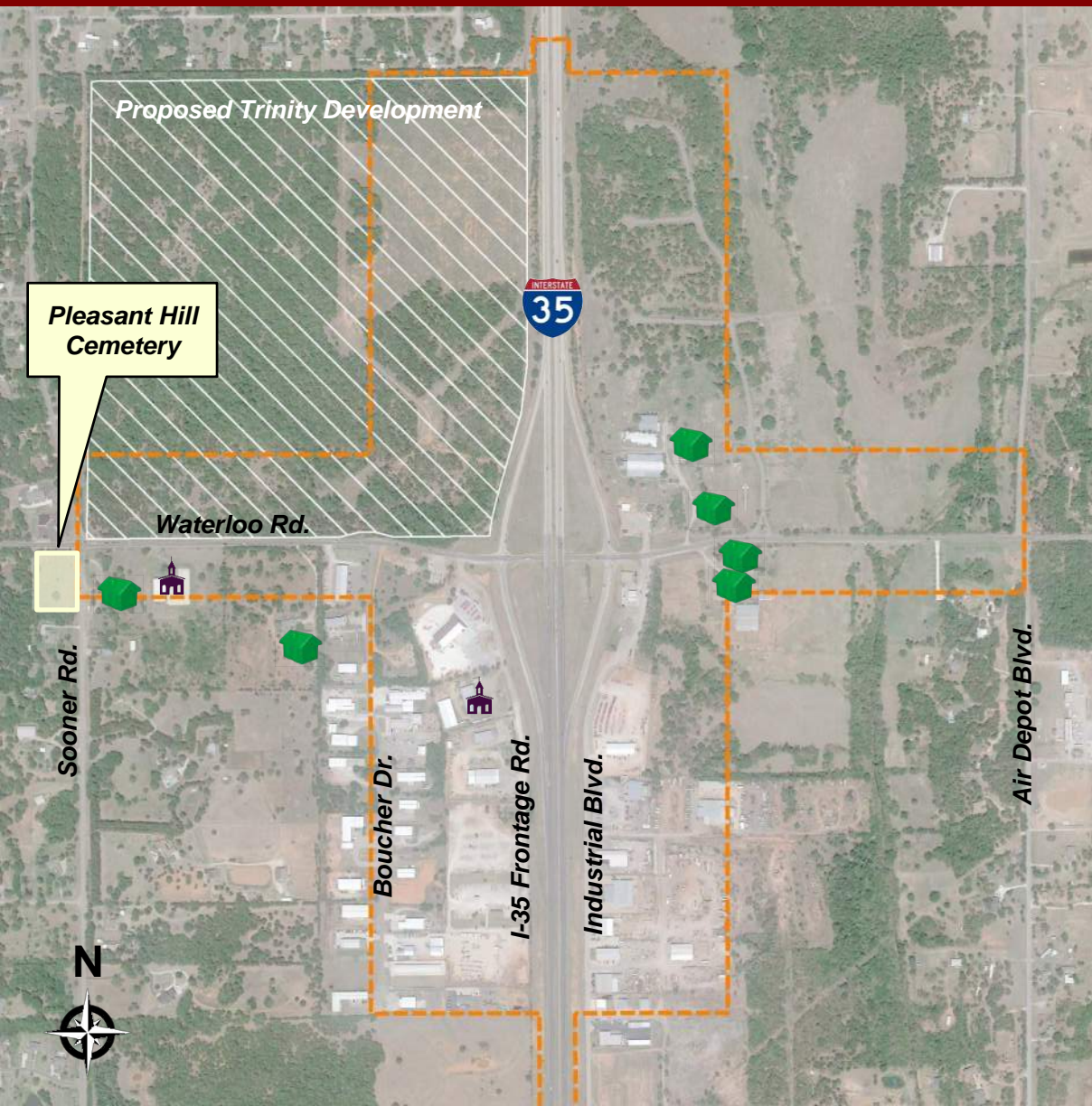
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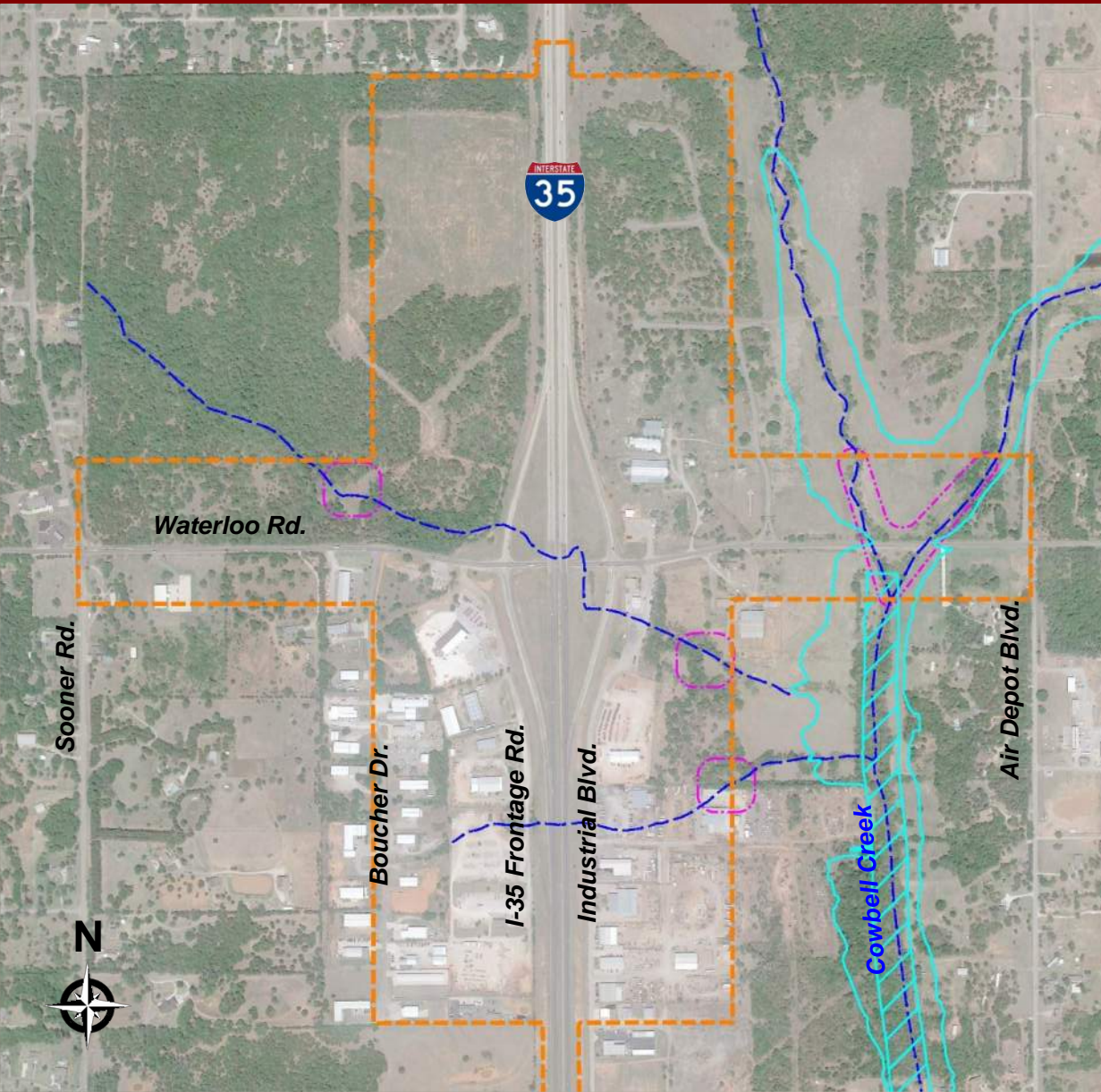


■ Homes and Businesses

- A Few Scattered Homes With Access off Waterloo Road
- Primarily Commercial & Industrial
- Access is Provided off of Boucher Drive and Frontage Rd./Industrial Blvd.
- Proposed Trinity Development (Mixed Use)

■ Churches and Cemetery

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS



Streams and Wetlands

- Cowbell Creek Flows South Parallel to I-35
- Several Tributaries Cross Through the Study Area
- FEMA Floodplain Associated With Cowbell Creek



ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS



- **Oil/Gas Wells and Hazardous Materials Sites**
 - Gas Station With History of Leaking Underground Storage Tanks
 - Several Sites That May Store Hazardous Materials
 - Oil & Gas Wells and Centurion Pipelines (Active and Abandoned)

DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES

OK
SELF
STORAGE
→

DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES

Proposed Design Criteria

- Waterloo Road
 - 5-Lane With Two-Way Left Turn Lane
 - Design Speed – 45 mph
- I-35
 - 6-Lane With 12-ft Shoulders & Median Barrier
 - Design Speed – 75 mph
- Minimum Bridge Clearance for Traffic - 16'-9"
- Accommodate 2040 Traffic
 - Includes Trinity Development with 28,000 external trips per day*



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DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES

■ Alternatives Overview

- Similarities
 - I-35
 - ✓ 6 Lanes With Auxiliary Lane
 - ✓ 4 Lanes
 - (Traffic Drop – 12,000 Vehicles/Day in 2014)
 - (Traffic Drop – 23,000 Vehicles/Day in 2040)
 - ✓ Vertical Profile
 - Side Roads – Re-align/Widen
 - Project Extents
 - Signalized Intersections
- Differences
 - Waterloo Road Improvements to Accommodate Future Traffic Patterns



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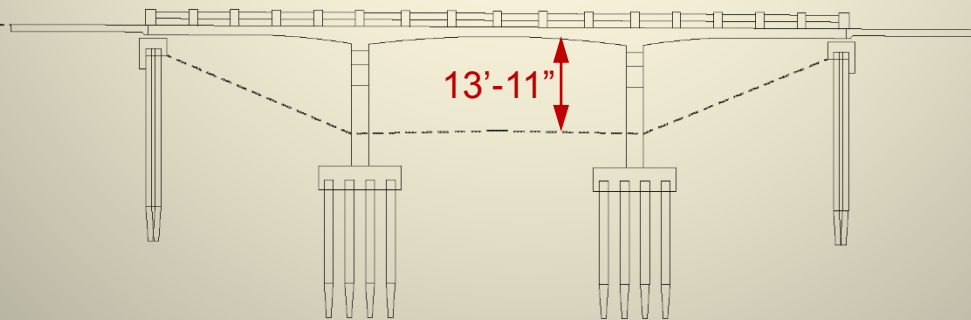
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- **Proposed Bridge Structures**
 - I-35 Over Waterloo Road (*for all Alternatives*)
 - Minimum Vertical Clearance = 16'-9"
 - Three Spans
 - Raise I-35 Approximately 6'
 - Bridge Will Accommodate Future Lanes for I-35



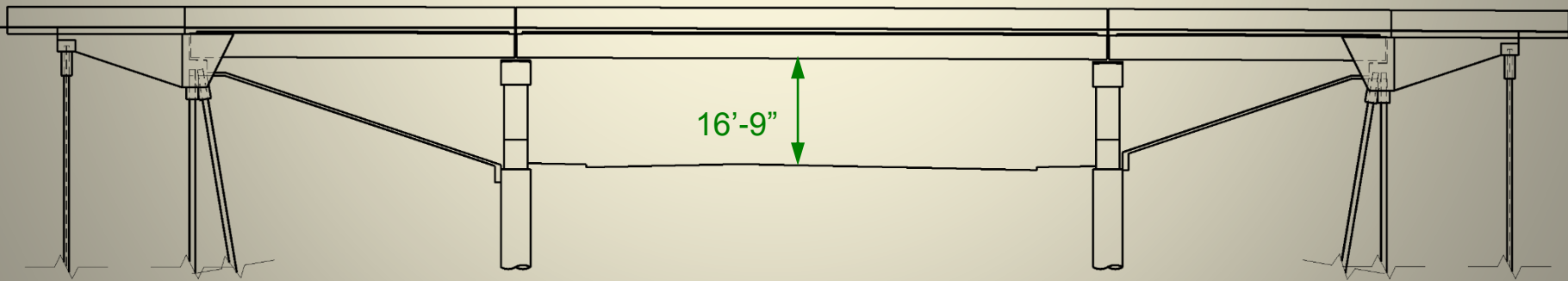
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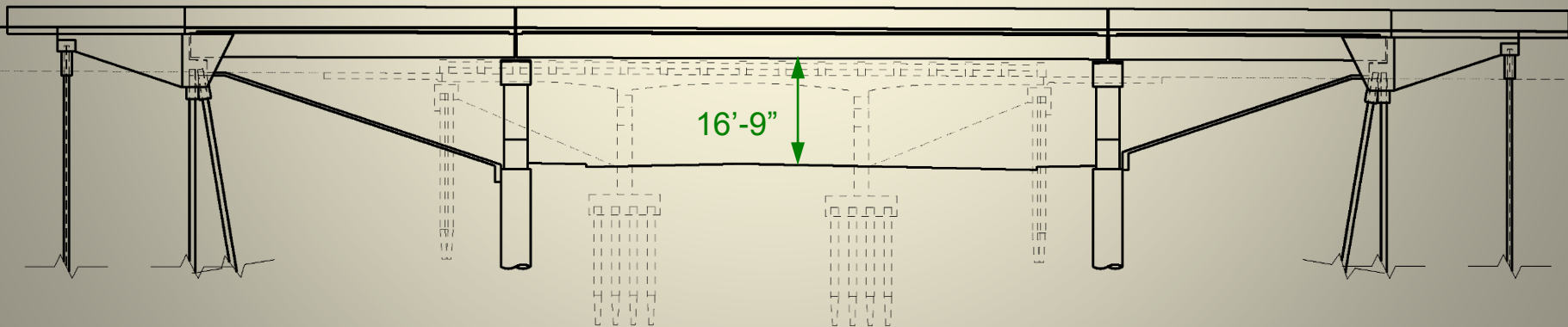
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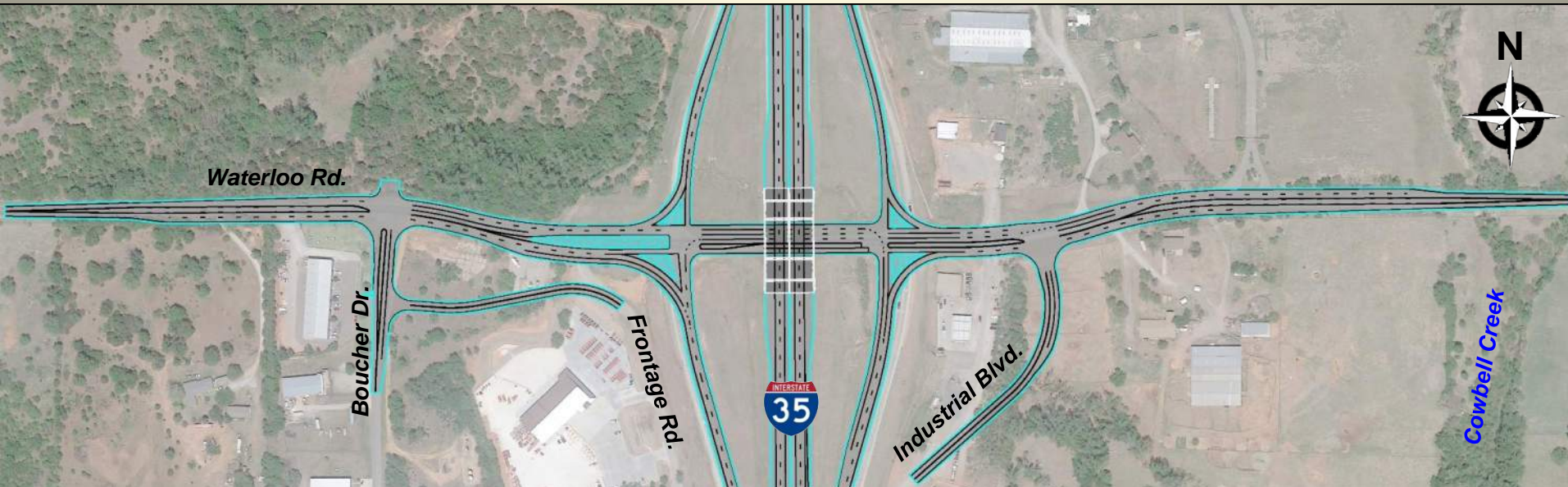
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■ Alternative 1

- Diamond Interchange – Similar to Existing
- Waterloo Road
 - Multiple Turn Lanes at Intersections
 - Thru Traffic has to Switch Lanes
 - Local Access Changes



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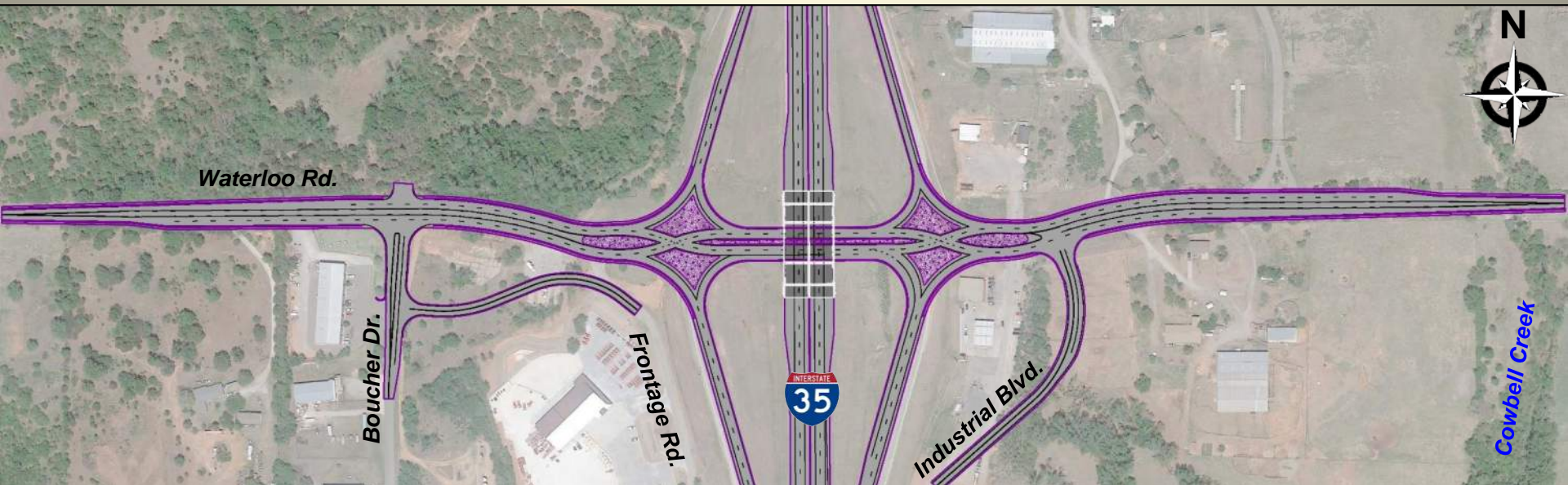
■ Alternative 2

- Diamond Interchange With Loop
- Waterloo Road
 - Dual Right on to Loop
 - Multiple Turn Lanes
 - Local Access Changes



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- **Alternative 3**
 - Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)
 - Waterloo Road
 - Thru Traffic Stays in the Same Lane
 - Fewer Turn Lanes
 - Local Access Changes



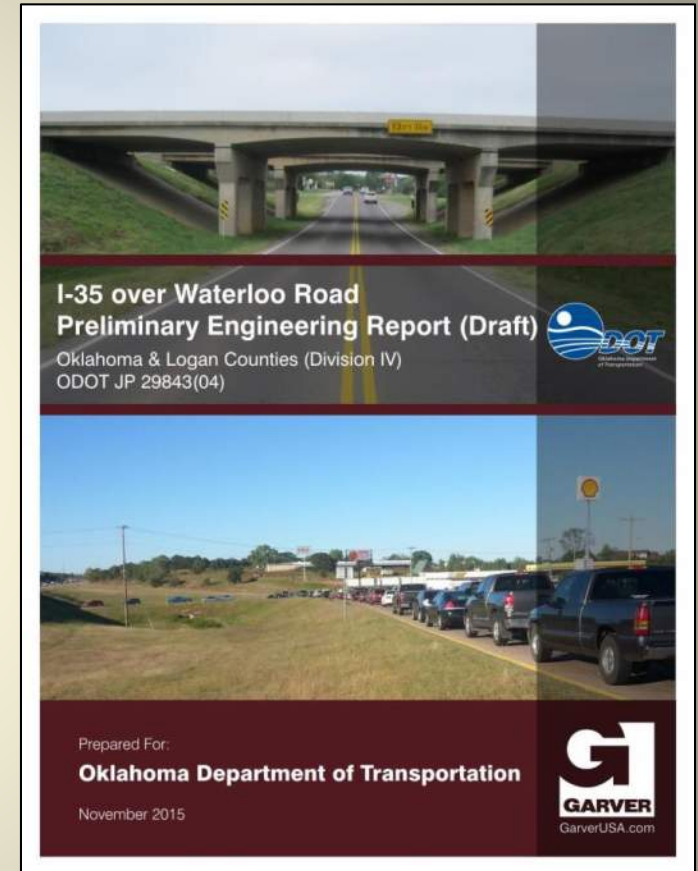
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■ Evaluation Criteria

- Traffic Operations
- Impacts to Private Property
- Impacts to Environmental Resources
- Constructability and Maintenance of Traffic During Construction
 - I-35 – Maintain 2 Lanes Each Direction
 - Waterloo Rd. – Maintain 1 Lane Each Direction
(During Peak Traffic Periods)
- Cost – Construction, Right-of-Way, Utilities

■ Alternative 3 DDI – Rose to the Top

- Provides Best Solution for Specific Issues at I-35 & Waterloo Road



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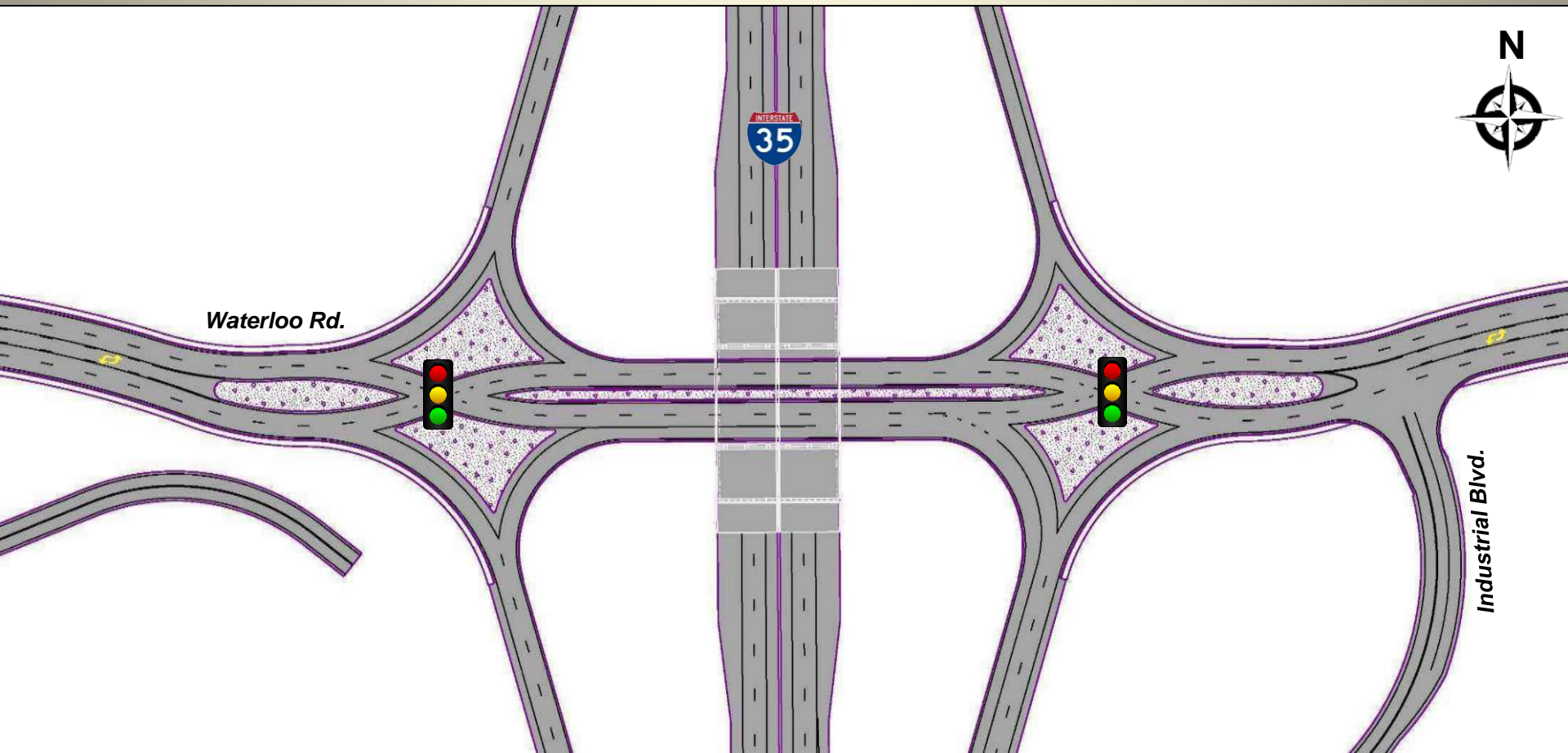
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■ Diverging Diamond Interchange

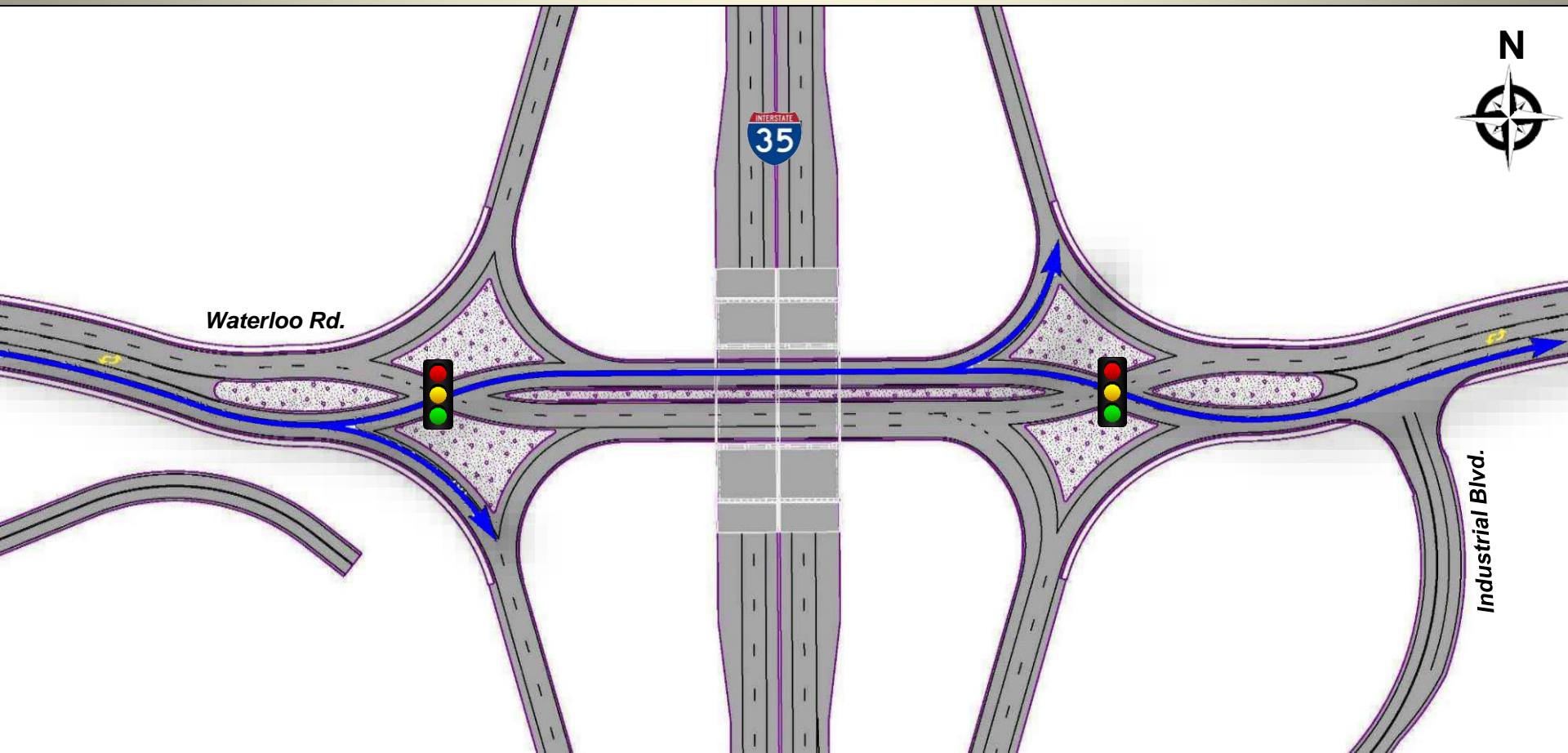
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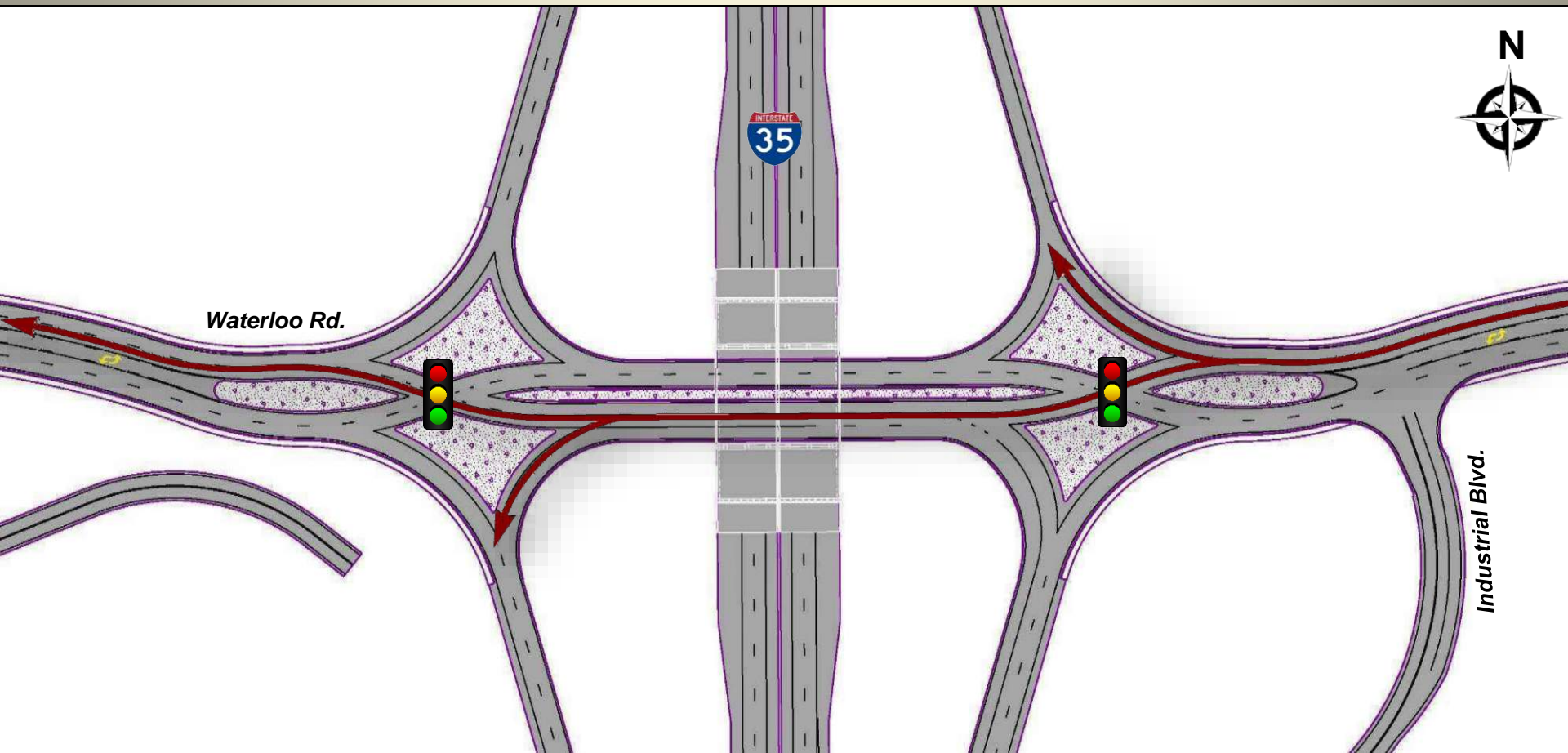
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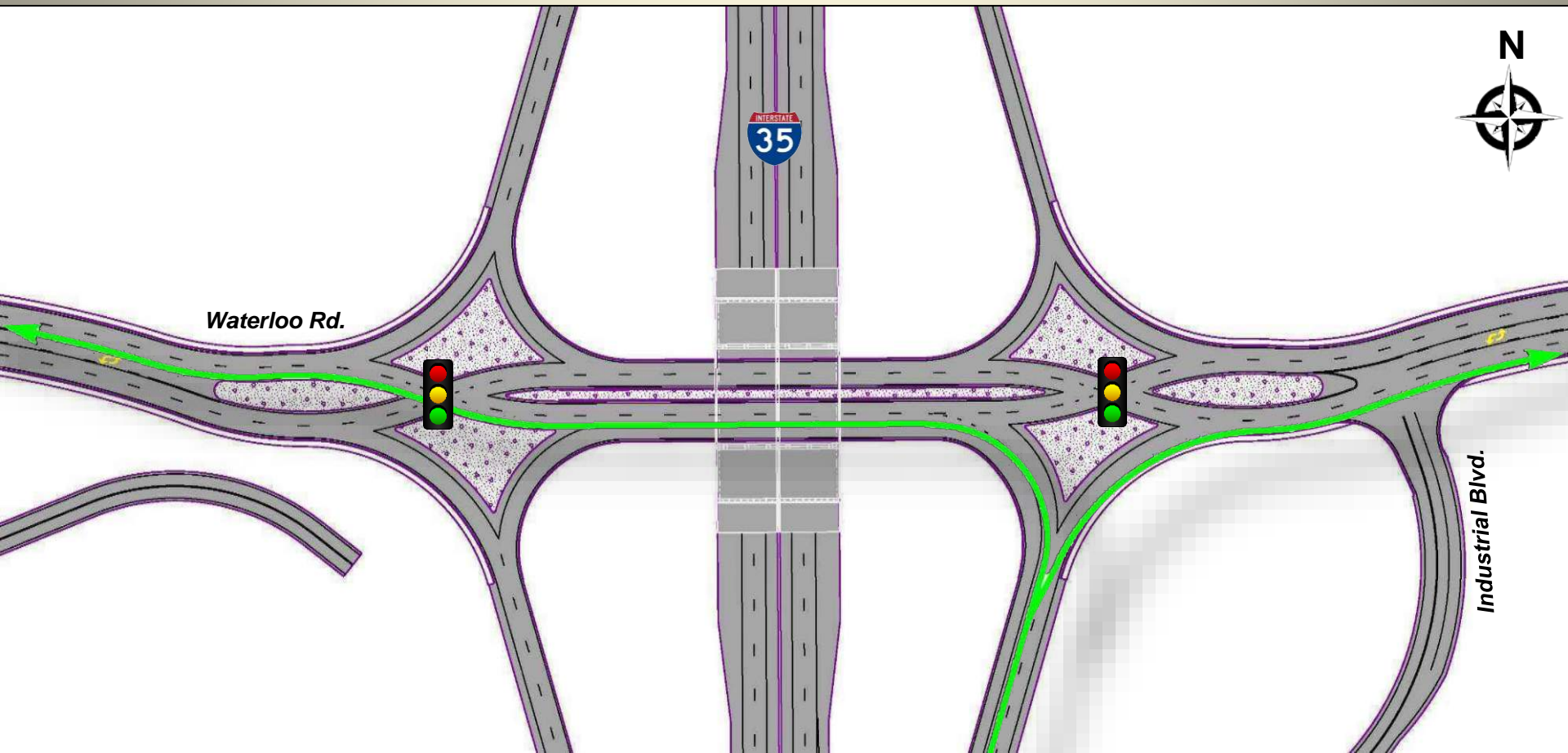
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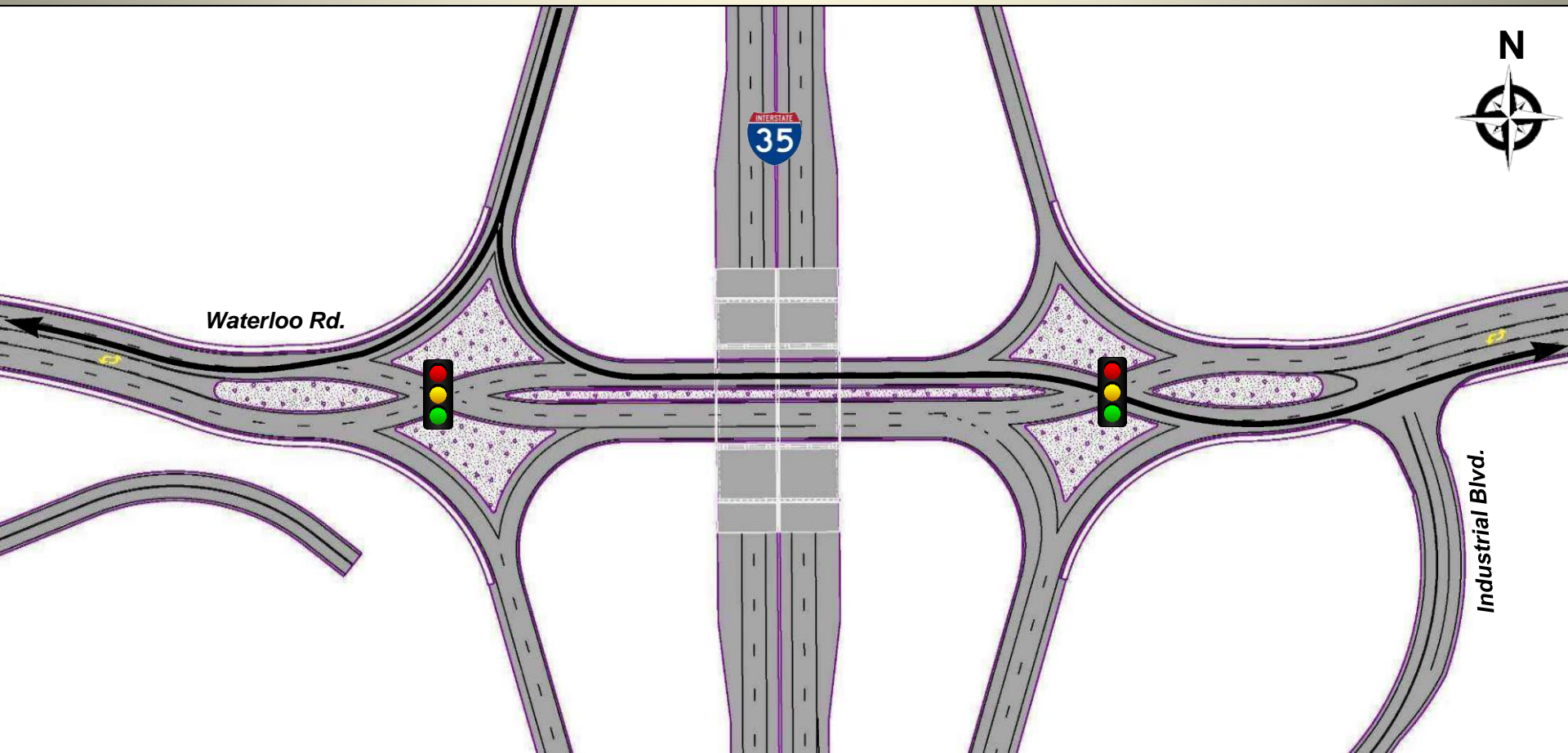
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DRIVING THRU A DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE



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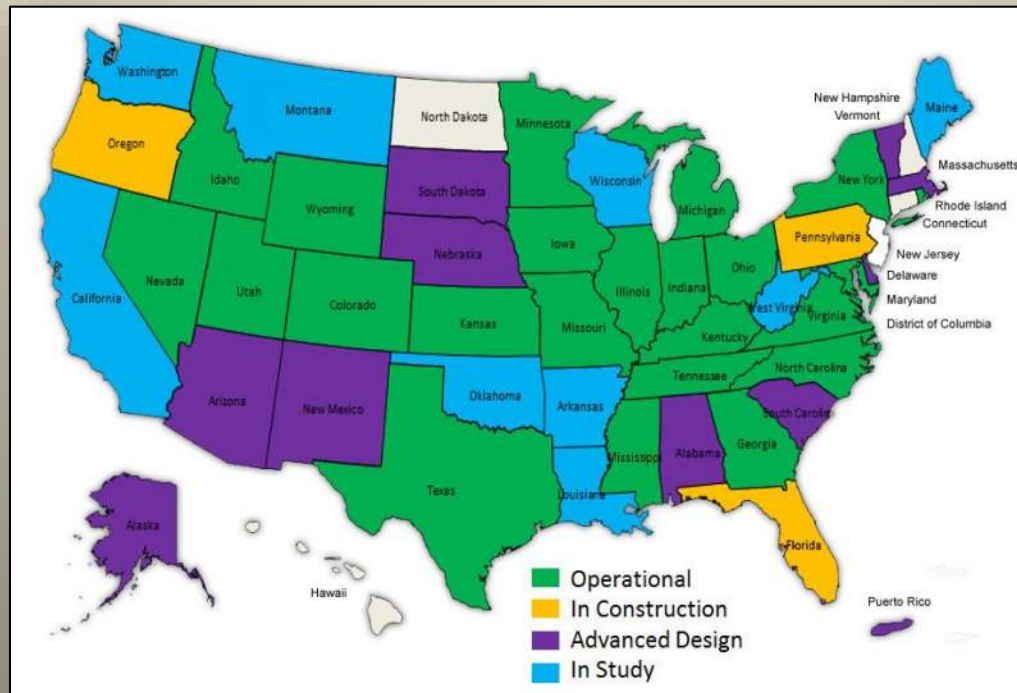
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I-35 & WATERLOO ROAD - DDI

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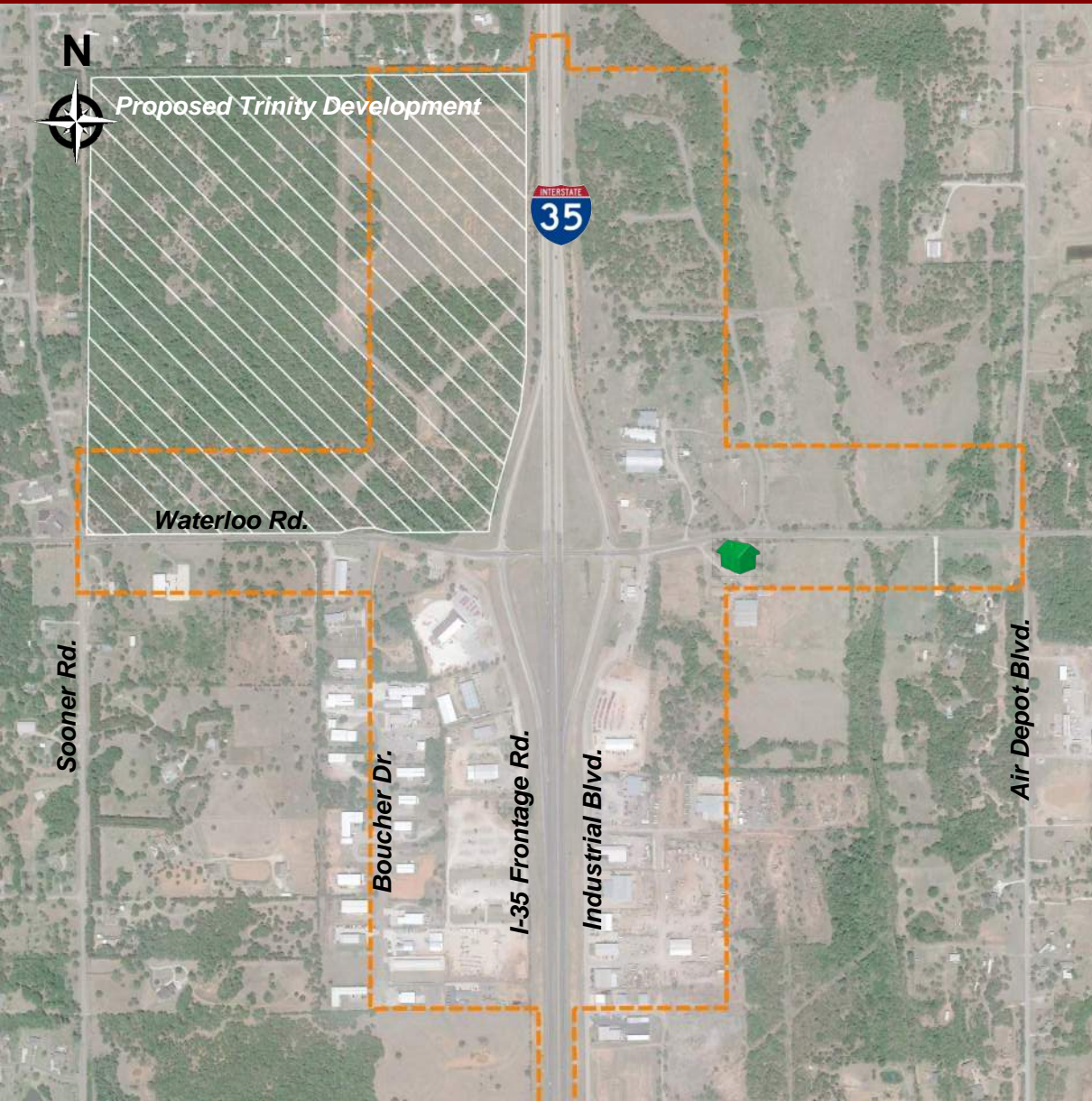
- Thru Traffic on Waterloo Road Stays in Same Lane
- Southside Heavy Traffic Movements Accommodated
 - Westside Skewed Due to Trinity Development
 - Northbound Off Ramp – Two Lane Exit With Two-Lane Left Turn
 - Southbound On Ramp – Two Lane Entrance
- Less Delay than Traditional Diamond Interchange (Alt. 1)
 - 15% Reduction for Average User



A photograph of a two-lane asphalt road with double yellow lines, receding into the distance under an overcast sky. On the right side of the road, there are several traffic signs: a red octagonal 'STOP' sign, a blue shield-shaped sign for Interstate 35, a white rectangular sign for State Route 77, and a white arrow sign pointing left. A dark car is visible in the distance on the road. The road is flanked by green grass and trees. The text 'POTENTIAL IMPACTS' is overlaid in large, bold, white capital letters with a black outline in the center of the image.

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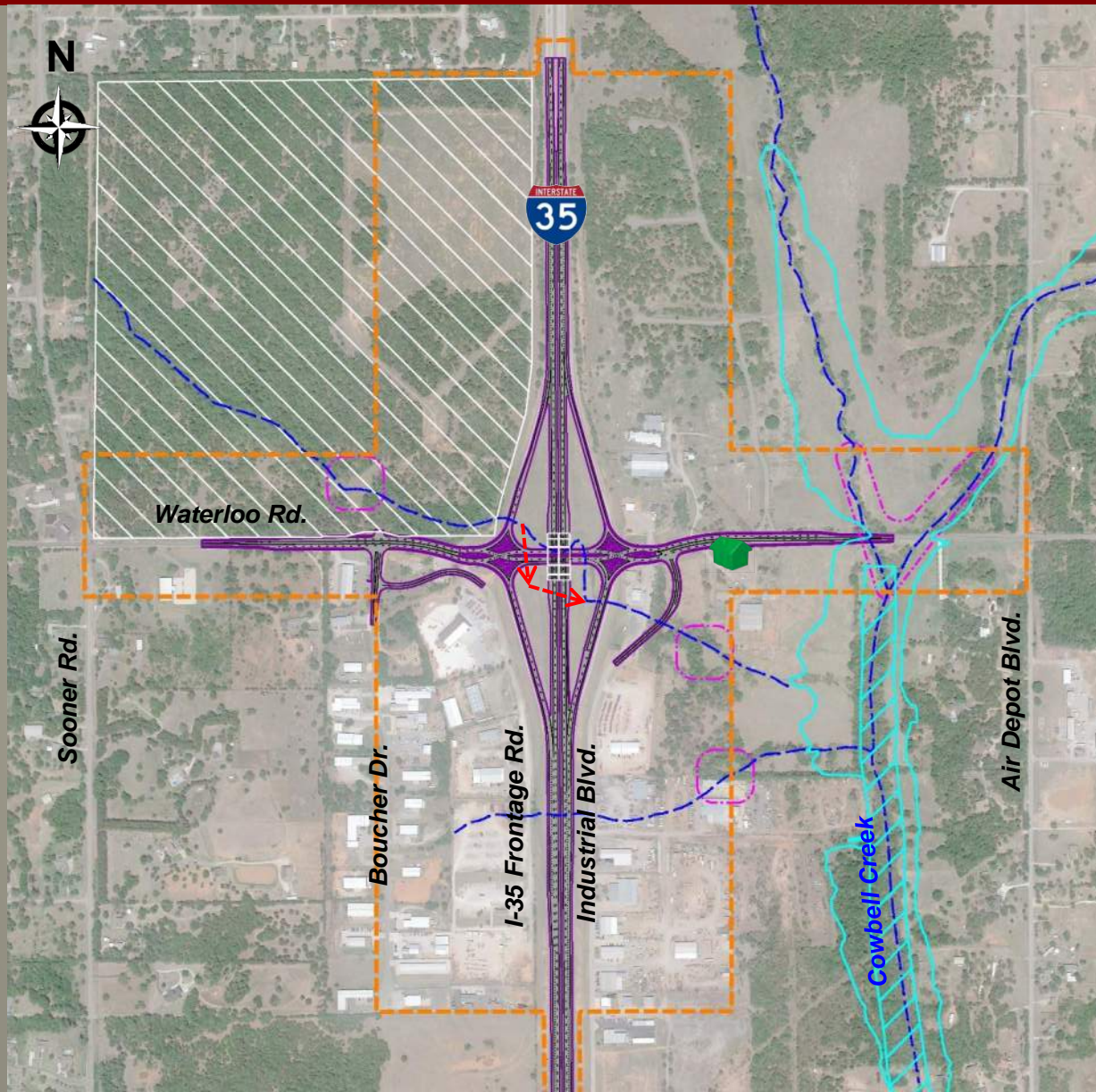
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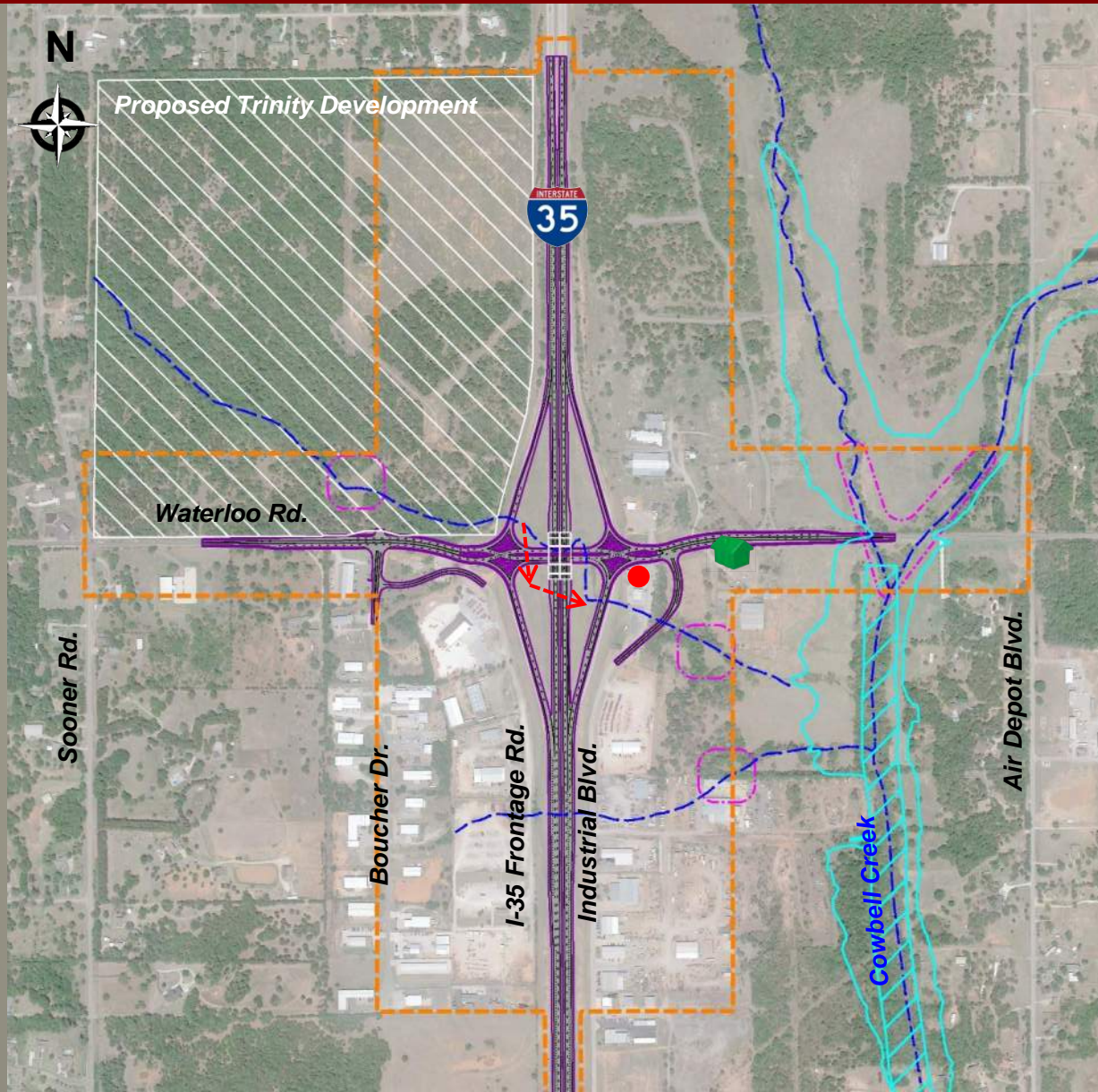
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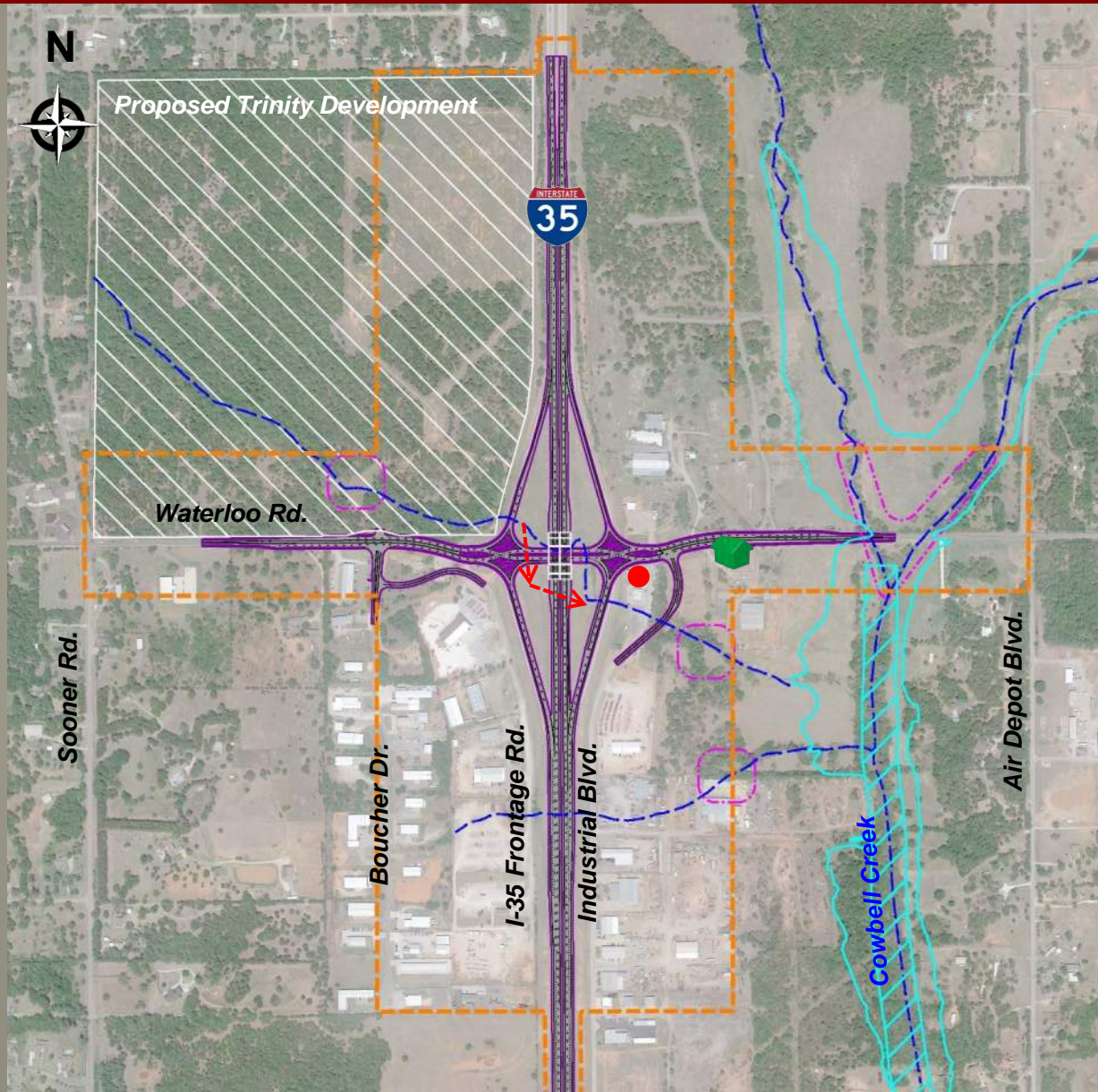
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- Noise Study Will be Conducted but Based on the Land Use Noise Walls are Not Anticipated

ALTERNATIVE 3 SUMMARY

- **Key Features – Diverging Diamond Interchange**
 - More Traffic can Move Through the Interchange With Less Delay
 - Turning Movements Don't Cross Traffic – Fewer Accidents and Lower Severity
 - Turning Movements for On Ramps Bypass Signals
 - Greater Separation between Intersections
 - Maintains Traffic During Construction for Peak Periods
 - Minor Changes to Access for Some Properties
 - One Residential Relocation
 - Total Project Cost: Estimated at \$31.9 Million





NEXT STEPS

The image shows a road intersection under an overcast sky. In the background, a concrete bridge spans the road. Several vehicles are visible: a dark pickup truck is stopped at the intersection, and a silver convertible is on the right. A signpost features a 'ONE WAY' sign pointing right and a red octagonal 'STOP' sign. To the right, a blue highway sign indicates '35' with a left-turn arrow. The foreground consists of a grassy area and a paved road with yellow and white markings. A large white text overlay with a black outline reads 'NEXT STEPS'.

NEXT ENVIRONMENTAL STEPS

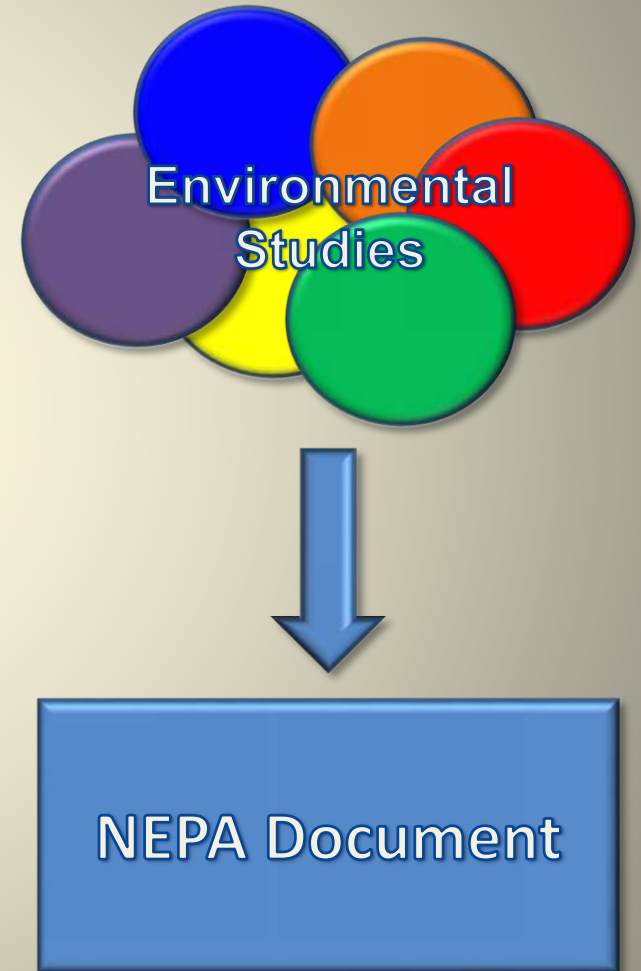
- **Detailed Environmental Studies Will be Performed**

- Archaeological and Historic Survey
- Wetland Delineations
- Biological Assessment
- Hazardous Waste Investigation
- Noise Study

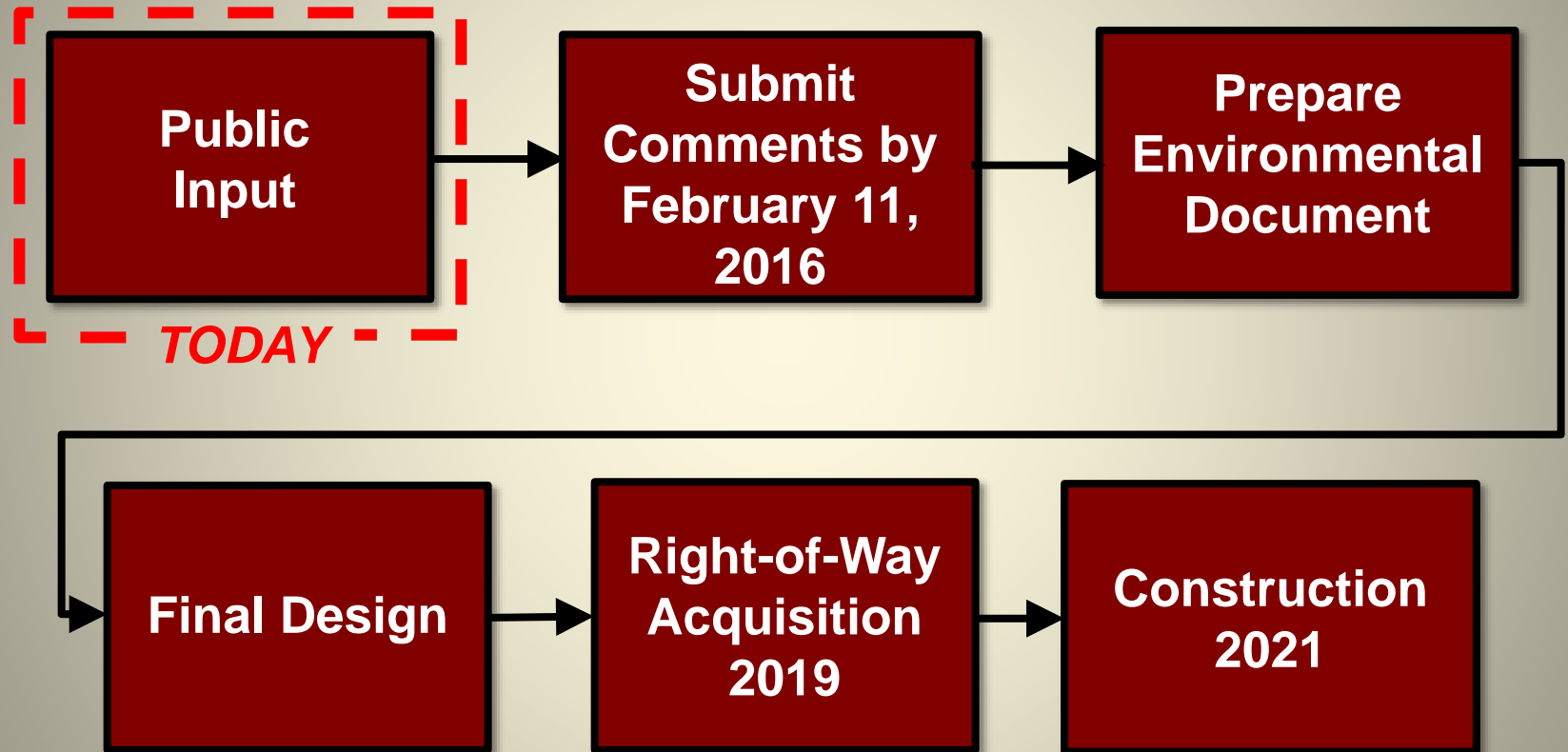
- **Studies Will be Summarized in an Environmental Document to Satisfy State and Federal Regulations**

- **Later Phase Environmental Activities Will Include**

- Clean Water Act Permits
- Stream Mitigation Plan, if Required



NEXT PROJECT STEPS



THANK YOU!

Please Submit Your Comments by February 11, 2016

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