



# TUSCOLA COUNTY

## Board of Commissioners

### BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 24, 2022 – 8:00 AM

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723

***Public may participate in the meeting electronically:***

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8:00 AM Call to Order - Chairperson Bardwell  
Prayer - Commissioner Grimshaw  
Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Bardwell  
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7. TRIAD
8. Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Vaughan**

1. Board of Health
2. County Planning Commission
3. Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
4. MAC Environmental Regulatory
5. Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
6. NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
7. Parks and Recreation Commission
8. Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison
9. Local Units of Government Activity Report

**DuRussel**

1. Board of Health
2. Community Corrections Advisory Board
3. Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
4. Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
5. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
6. MAC Judiciary Committee
7. MEMS All Hazard
8. Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Grimshaw**

1. Behavioral Health Systems Board
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5. Local Units of Government

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2. County Road Commission Liaison
3. Dispatch Authority Board
4. Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
5. Great Start Collaborative
6. Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)
7. Jail Planning Committee
8. MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
9. Region VII Economic Development Planning
10. Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
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**Adjournment**

Note: If you need accommodations to attend this meeting, please notify the Tuscola County Controller/Administrator's Office (989-672-3700) two (2) days in advance of the meeting.



# MINUTES

## Board of Commissioners

### Meeting

**8:00 AM - Thursday, February 10, 2022**

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723

Commissioner Bardwell called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723, on Thursday, February 10, 2022, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Prayer - Commissioner DuRussel

Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Young

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Doug DuRussel, Dan Grimshaw

Commissioner Grimshaw arrived at 8:08 a.m.

Commissioners Absent: Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Tracy Violet, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Jon Ramirez, Register John Bishop, Mark Ransford, Damian Wasik, Shelly Lutz

Also Present Virtual: Eean Lee, Kate Curtis, Nick Sakon, Sandy Nielsen, Mary Drier, Kim Brinkman, Debbie Babich, K. Free, Matt Brown, Mike Slade, Steve Root, Cody Horton, Mark Haney, Barry Lapp, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Debbie Mika, Eric Morris, Nancy Cook, Jon Ramirez, Pam Shook

At 8:05 a.m., there were a total of 16 participants attending the meeting virtually.

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

1. Adoption of Agenda -

2022-M-025

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

**Action on Previous Meeting Minutes**

1. Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

2022-M-026

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to adopt the meeting minutes from the January 27, 2022 Regular meeting.

Motion Carried.

**Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only**

None

**Consent Agenda**

2022-M-027

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Items listed below from the February 7, 2022 Committee of the Whole be adopted. Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Tuscola County Planning Committee 2021 Annual Report -  
Move to receive and place on file the 2021 Tuscola County Planning Commission Annual Report.
2. Use of Courthouse Lawn/Steps for Child Abuse Prevention -  
Move that per the request from Chairperson Rachael Koepf of the Tuscola County Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Council that permission be granted to use the Courthouse lawn for the month of April. Also, approve use of the Courthouse steps on April 4, 2022 from Noon-1:00 p.m. for the short kickoff event.
3. Courthouse Security X-Ray Equipment Maintenance Agreement -  
Move to approve the one (1) year equipment maintenance contract March 25, 2022 to March 24, 2023 for the Courthouse Security X-ray system with Leiodos Security Detection & Automation, Inc. in the amount of \$6,100.00 with any budget adjustments necessary authorized.

**New Business (continued below)**

1. Local First Responder Recruitment and Training Grant (FRGP) Application -  
Steve Anderson, Emergency Services Manager, explained the grant opportunity. A portion of the grant would be used by the Sheriff's Office for recruitment efforts and a portion by the Emergency Services Department for First Responder Training.

2022-M-028

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to approve the Local First Responder Recruitment and Training Grant Program (FRGP) grant application with no County funds needed to match and authorize Clayette

Zechmeister, Controller/Administrator or Steven Anderson, Emergency Manager to be the Authorized Representatives of the County to complete the process. Motion Carried.

2. Parking Lot Repair and Sealing Bid Recommendation for the Sheriff's Department and the Annex Building -

Mike Miller, Buildings and Grounds Director, reported that all of the bids submitted met the requirements of the RFP. He is recommending that Yeager Asphalt, as the low bidder, be awarded the project.

2022-M-029

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Thomas Young that the Annex building parking lot and the Sheriff's Department parking lot sealing and repair bid be awarded to Yeager Asphalt who was the low bidder for an amount of \$7,700.00 (Annex for \$3,300.00 and Sheriff's for \$4,400.00). Motion Carried.

3. Register of Deeds' Office Staff Paid Time for Office Closure -

Board discussed if the Register of Deeds' office staff would be paid if the office were to be closed to allow the Maintenance Department the opportunity to begin the office door entrance project during the afternoon hours on February 18, 2022. Board discussed the matter at length.

2022-M-030

Motion by Thomas Young, to pay the Register of Deeds staff 3.5 hours for office closure due to construction on Friday, February 18, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Motion died due to lack of support.

The request has been withdrawn by the Buildings and Grounds Director. The Maintenance Department will begin work after hours.

**Old Business (continued below)**

1. IT Department Space Needs - Cost Analysis -

Clayette Zechmeister reviewed the Review of Buildings included in the agenda packet. Board discussed the costs included on the review. Board discussed issuing an RFP for a purchase of a building. The previous RFP was for a lease of a building.

**New Business (continued from above)**

4. Closed Session for a Legal Opinion -

2022-M-031

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel that the Board meet in Closed Session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the contents of a



written legal memorandum from its attorney regarding personnel policies, which is exempted from disclosure under Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, with Eric Morris with Braun Kendrick, Clayette Zechmeister, Jodi Fetting, Shelly Lutz, Tracy Violet and Eean Lee to be allowed to attend the closed session at 9:11 a.m.

Yes: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Doug DuRussel, and Dan Grimshaw

Absent: Kim Vaughan

Motion Carried.

Recessed to Closed Session at 9:11 a.m.

Reconvened from Closed Session at 9:41 a.m.

At 9:42 a.m., there were a total of 18 participants attending the meeting virtually.

5. Register of Deeds Position Replacement Hire -  
John Bishop, Register of Deeds, presented the candidate he is recommending for the vacant position in his office. The Board asked if the candidate has been made aware of the vaccination policy that Register Bishop has implemented. The Board reiterated that the Board has not adopted nor agreed to the vaccination policy implemented. The Board requested Register Bishop to publicly withdraw the Vaccine policy and Register Bishop did not. The Board did not offer a motion for the filling of the vacant position. Board discussed reimplementing the hiring freeze policy. Board is concerned over third party personnel policies related to human resource matters that are implemented by Department Heads or Elected Officials and the legal ramification to the County. Board would like to review a potential hiring freeze policy at an upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### **Old Business (continued from above)**

1. IT Department Space Needs -  
Board discussed the RFP that was issued in the Fall of 2020 for leasing space for the county and the stipulations that were included. The Board discussed buying property versus leasing property. Board discussed the flex space and how much the space would be used.

2022-M-034

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Doug DuRussel for the Building and Grounds Committee to proceed to prepare a Request for Information (RFI) for review by legal counsel to have presented for review and possible adoption at a future Board meeting for property to be purchased for County Space Needs.

Yes: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Doug DuRussel, and Dan Grimshaw

Absent: Kim Vaughan

Motion Carried.

**Correspondence/Resolutions**

1. Tuscola County Planning Commission January 2022 Newsletter
2. Leelanau County Resolution No. 2022-001  
Commissioner Grimshaw provide an update on current legislation regarding Community Mental Health.
3. Road Commission Minutes January 20, 2022  
All 2021 and 2022 Road Commission minutes are available online.

**Commissioner Liaison Committee Reports**

***Young***

Referenced the drone article in the Planning Commission Newsletter.

Board of Public Works

County Road Commission Liaison

Commissioner Bardwell has received communication for a request for a bridge to be built to allow for a more direction connection off from M53. Commissioner Bardwell will get the details for Commissioner Young.

Dispatch Authority Board

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Great Start Collaborative

Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

Jail Planning Committee

MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee

Region VII Economic Development Planning

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Senior Services Advisory Council

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***Bardwell***

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Caro DDA/TIFA

Met yesterday. The former Family Video building will be home to a used car lot. A review of the new Farmer's Market was provided of the success realized the first year of being opened.

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

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***DuRussel***

Board of Health  
Community Corrections Advisory Board  
Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison  
Meets next week.  
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works  
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)  
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***Grimshaw***

Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Recycling Advisory  
Jail Planning Committee  
Meets today at 1:00 p.m.  
MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

Local Units of Government

City of Vassar has decided to participate in the meeting being hosted by Guidehouse.

**Other Business as Necessary**

None

At 12:15 p.m., there were a total of 18 participants attending the meeting virtually.

**Extended Public Comment**

None

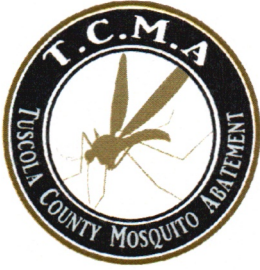
**Adjournment**

2022-M-032

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Thomas Young to adjourn the meeting at 12:16 p.m. Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk

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## TUSCOLA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT

1500 Press Drive  
Caro, Michigan 48723-9291  
989-672-3748 Phone ~ 989-672-3724 Fax  
*Larry Zapfe, Director*

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To: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners  
Clayette Zechmeister-County Controller/Administrator

From: Larry Zapfe, Director

Date: February 24, 2022

Re: Request to purchase 1 Grizzly truck mounted fogger and mosquito control material from Valent Bio Sciences.

I would like to request permission to purchase 1 Grizzly truck mounted fogger from Clarke at a total cost of \$15,897.66. This purchase will be deducted from the 2022 Mosquito Abatement budget account 240-100-970.030 ULV Sprayers.

I would also like to request permission to purchase two products for mosquito control from Valent Bio Sciences. This purchase will be deducted from the 2022 Mosquito Abatement budget account 240-100-750.000 Abatement Material.

1. VectoBac G. (8 pallets at a cost of \$15,500.80)
2. VectoBac 12As. (264 gallons at a cost of \$6,402.00)

Total: \$21,902.80

All of these purchases were anticipated and sufficient funds allocated to each account.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Larry Zapfe, Director

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**QUOTATION**

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 I Larry Zapfe  
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 T Caro, MI 48723-9291  
 O 989-672-3748  
 989-672-3724

S Tuscola County Mosquito Control  
 H Larry Zapfe  
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| Delivery Method | Terms       |
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| Freight Carrier | Net 30 Days |

| Item #             | Item Description           | Qty Ordered | Unit Price      | Extended Price |
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| 12209OHV           | GRIZZLY OHV SMART FLOW GPS | 1 ea        | 15,085.2100/ ea | 15,085.21      |
| 13589              | GPS for SMARTFLOW ASSY     | 1 ea        | 812.4500/ ea    | 812.45         |
| <b>Order total</b> |                            |             |                 | 15,897.66      |
| <b>Total</b>       |                            |             |                 | 15,897.66      |

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# **Saginaw Bay**

## **Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (SB-CISMA)**

**(Arenac, Bay, Huron, Sanilac, Saginaw, Tuscola)**

### **Strategic Plan**

November 9, 2021

#### **Vision:**

The Saginaw Bay Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (SB-CISMA) will be a framework of collaborating communities in which invasive species are cooperatively managed to minimize environmental and economic impacts.

#### **Mission Statement:**

To educate the public on how and why invasive species impact the environment, economics and human health in the Saginaw Bay. Provide technical assistance to land managers regarding economically and environmentally responsible best management practices for invasive species in all environments.

#### **Purpose**

The Saginaw Bay CISMA exists to create and support collaborative invasive species management locally and work collaboratively with federal and state agencies, municipalities, tribes, nonprofits, community organizations and private landowners within 6 counties in the Saginaw Bay Area (Figure 1). In an effort to manage Michigan invasive species, SB-CISMA is asking for participants to work together as a team. SB-CISMA encourages all landowners, companies, schools, and government agencies to join our team. Partners show their support of the SB-CISMA by completing a partnership form located in the following link.

<https://form.jotform.com/202374210560140>

By building partnerships within the Saginaw Bay, the SB-CISMA can expand management plans for addressing invasive species in our area. Coordinating with other entities through education, workshops, advertising, and identification of different species will allow for more effective management activities

Partnerships can access new sources of funding and increase implementation efficiency. This plan is intended to provide guidance to local governments on methods for utilizing available resources and capital on invasive species problems regardless of political boundaries. The SB-CISMA promotes invasive species education and outreach, invasive species inventory and prevention, and efficient management of invasive species.

#### **Impact**



The impact of invasive species and the importance of their management are becoming apparent to a wide variety of organizations and landowners. After habitat loss, invasive species are the greatest danger to threatened and endangered species. Invasive species cause significant dollars in damage throughout the Saginaw Bay area every year, often public funds are used to remedy invasive issues.

Throughout the 6 counties of the SB-CISMA, there are a multitude of economic impacts which arise because of invasive plant infestations. Some of the most prevalent and intrusive impacts include loss of revenue in the farming and timber industries, an increase in roadside and power line maintenance costs, and an increased cost in maintenance of drainage ditches.

### **Description**

The SB-CISMA is geographically defined within the geopolitical boundaries of Arenac, Bay, Huron, Sanilac, Saginaw, and Tuscola Counties. These counties have extensive rural agricultural lands as well as important natural features. The economy of the Saginaw Bay is remarkably diverse including manufacturing, retail, import/export, education, agriculture, forestry, recreation, and tourism. The area has a diverse range of plants, wildlife, and habitats. There are large tracts of State, Federal, Tribal and conservation lands within this area.

The boundaries of the SB-CISMA contain the coastal shoreline for the Saginaw Bay, which makes up the largest contiguous freshwater coastal wetland in the United States. All rivers in the Saginaw Bay watershed drain into the Saginaw Bay, and boundaries of the Saginaw Bay CISMA house the headwaters for all 10 rivers of the Saginaw Bay watershed. Natural areas along the Saginaw Bay shoreline have the potential to provide habitat to a diverse range of threatened and endangered species, and are a crucial resting point for over 250 species of migrating birds. These areas are threatened by invasive species, which block access to wildlife habitats and food sources, crowd out native species and threaten valuable ecosystem services.



## **Management principles**

The SB-CISMA uses integrated plant management with the following principles:

- Education and outreach activities are targeted to specific audiences, with clearly defined desired behavioral changes and learning goals.
- Management projects are designed after serious consideration of a range of treatment options so that the management methods are the most effective and appropriate to a given situation.
- Projects include a vision and plan for desired future conditions after invasive species are managed.
- Landowners are encouraged to manage invasive species themselves and given the tools and education to conduct their own treatment..

## **Management Goals, Objectives, and Tasks**

Prevent the introduction and spread of harmful invasive plant and animal species in the SB-CISMA region by facilitating cooperative management among all willing stakeholders and custodial land managers.

### **EDUCATION AND OUTREACH**

**Goal:** Raise awareness of the negative impact of invasive species and how to prevent their spread.

**Objective 1-** Develop and/or acquire outreach materials that emphasizes sustainable results, including the following topics:

- a) Invasive species identification.
- b) Equipment cleaning procedures.
- c) Native landscaping alternatives.
- d) Best Management Practices (BMP'S).
- e) Landowner guides for treating invasive species.
- f) Clean boats-clean water initiative.
  
- h) Utilizing local resources.

**Objective 2-** Increase and broaden SB-CISMA membership

- a) Identify and contact potential partners.
- b) Identify and contact potential customers.
- c) Provide partners with targeted informational material for public distribution.

**Objective 3-** Provide information via easily accessible means to the public at large.

- a) Find/create brochures for consumers about invasive weeds and animals.
- b) Develop awareness, education, and training programs for local nurseries/growers about potentially invasive plants.
- c) Maintain and update SB-CISMA website and social media accounts.
- d) Prepare invasive species news releases for publication in local newspapers and other traditional media outlets.
- e) Prepare quarterly newsletters.
- f) Supply SB-CISMA materials at public events.
- g) Develop Social Marketing strategy.

**Objective 4-** Develop education/ information sharing processes for SB-CISMA members.

- a) Create a database of Landowners who have had management measures applied to their property or that have expressed an interest in SB-CISMA activities. This database will be available to all SB-CISMA members.
- b) Develop a means for SB-CISMA members to share information on projects as a means to find out what has worked or not worked in the past leading to more successful projects in the future.

## **EARLY DETECTION AND RAPID RESPONSE (EDRR)**

**Goal:** Develop, maintain and enhance the capacity to identify, report, and effectively respond to newly discovered pioneer stands of invasive species.

**Objective 1-** Utilize an EDRR to find, map, destroy and monitor early detection species within the SB-CISMA.

**Objective 2-** Inventory and access invasive species data.

- a) Collect evidence of new invading species by monitoring pathways
- b) Continuously map invasive species infestations with MISIN
- c) Maintain a shared database for inventory data of new and well-established invasive species.
- d) Review the invasive list on an annual basis.

**Objective 3-** Identify priority invasive species watch list.

**Objective 4-** Identify high value locations for inventory and management measures.

**Objective 5-** Identify priority vulnerable locations for inventory and management.

**Objective 6-** Encourage and train volunteers in the use of MISIN.

**Objective 7-** Coordinate inventory efforts with state programs.

**Objective 8-** Document management efforts and identify gaps.

**Objective 9-** Encourage follow-up and monitoring of all treated sites. Provide to Land managers technical information needed to treat specific invasive species infestations as needed.

## **MANAGEMENT**

**Goal:** Contain and reduce the spread and populations of established invasive species to minimize their harmful impacts.

**Objective 1-** Identify established invasive species populations within the SB-CISMA.

**Objective 2-** Coordinate inventory efforts and maintain permits when needed.

**Objective 3-** Use an integrated approach to manage current invasive species populations.

**Objective 4-** Management will be prioritized for species with:

- a) High potential for economic impact.
- b) High potential for ecological impact.
- c) Landowner/partner support.

**Objective 5-** Develop standard forms for recording management efforts, and monitoring.

**Objective 6-** Track the inventory, treatment and success of all the projects of partners in SB-CISMA.

## **CISMA Structure and Process**

a) *Steering Committee*

Roles:

- Share information.
- Maintain the MOU by adding new members as necessary.
- Develop the Management Plan and the Annual Operating Plan and coordinate their implementation.

- Provide leadership to obtain staff support to coordinate SB-CISMA.
- Provide leadership on location of SB-CISMA coordinator and grant projects.
- Interact with the media and interested citizens. Partners will take the lead on their particular projects.
- Provide resources.
- Communicate to coordinator regarding invasive species concerns within their respective counties

Composition and Process: The steering committee will be formed from the partners and other interested groups within the CISMA with at least one representative from each county. Steering committee members will serve for 2 years and will be voted in by the core group which has signed the MOU. The Committee will convene roughly every two months and make decisions by consensus.

- b) *SB-CISMA Coordinator.* The SB-CISMA Coordinator is a staff position to help facilitate the SB-CISMA, raise funds, manage projects, develop and review and secure grants, deal with public relations related to the SB-CISMA as a whole.
- c) *Meeting management.* prepare agenda and lead meetings, prepare and distribute meeting notes.
- d) *Funding.* The SB-CISMA will not handle funding directly. Partner organizations will apply for and manage grants themselves and will be handled through agreed upon fiduciary and proper reporting to all. Where resources need to be shared, separate agreements between the relevant parties will be developed.
- e) *Planning:* The Steering Committee will prepare an annual Operating Plan which specifies activities, responsible parties, deadlines for completion, and resources available to accomplish activities.

**Modifications and term**

The Management Plan is a living document and will be revised as needed by the Steering Committee. The Plan will be reviewed on a yearly basis and the Invasive List adjusted, as necessary.

**APPENDIX I**

**INVASIVE LIST AND PRIORITIES**

| <b>Priority Species</b>      |                                 |                    |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <i>European frog-bit</i>     | <i>Hydrocharis morsus-ranea</i> | <i>Aquatic</i>     |
| <i>Japanese Knotweed</i>     | <i>Fallopia japonica</i>        | <i>Terrestrial</i> |
| <i>Giant Knotweed</i>        | <i>Fallopia spp.</i>            | <i>Terrestrial</i> |
| <i>Invasive swallow-wort</i> | <i>Cynanchum spp.</i>           | <i>Terrestrial</i> |

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| <u>Phragmites</u> | <u>Phragmites australis</u> | <u>Aquatic</u> |
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| <b>Early Detection Rapid Response (EDRR)</b> |                                     |                    |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Asian Longhorn beetle</u>                 | <u>Anoplophora glabripennis</u>     | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Balsam wooly adelgid</u>                  | <u>Adelges piceae</u>               | <u>Insect</u>      |
| <u>Beech bark disease</u>                    | <u>Cryptococcus fagisuga</u>        | <u>Pathogen</u>    |
| <u>Brazilian Elodea</u>                      | <u>Egeria densa</u>                 | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Giant hogweed</u>                         | <u>Heracleum Mantegazzianum</u>     | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Hemlock wooly adelgid</u>                 | <u>Adelges tsugae</u>               | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Hydrilla</u>                              | <u>Hydrilla verticillata</u>        | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Japanese stiltgrass</u>                   | <u>Microstegium vimineum</u>        | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Kudzu</u>                                 | <u>Pueraria montana var. lobate</u> | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Lyme grass</u>                            | <u>Leymus arenarius</u>             | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Mile-a-minute weed</u>                    | <u>Persicaria perfoliata</u>        | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Parrot feather</u>                        | <u>Myriophyllum aquaticum</u>       | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Red swamp crayfish</u>                    | <u>Procambarus clarkii</u>          | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Spotted Lanternfly</u>                    | <u>Lycorma delicatula</u>           | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Starry stonewort</u>                      | <u>Nitellopsis obtusa</u>           | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Water Hyacinth</u>                        | <u>Eichhornia crassipes</u>         | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Water lettuce</u>                         | <u>Pistia stratiotes</u>            | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Yellow Floating Heart</u>                 | <u>Nymphoides peltata</u>           | <u>Aquatic</u>     |

| <b>Continued Education</b>   |                              |                    |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Autumn olive</u>          | <u>Elaeagnus umbellata</u>   | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Common Buckthorn</u>      | <u>Rhamnus cathartica</u>    | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Curly-leaved pondweed</u> | <u>Potamogeton crispus</u>   | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Eurasian watermilfoil</u> | <u>Myriophyllum spicatum</u> | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Garlic mustard</u>        | <u>Alliaria petiolata</u>    | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Flowering Rush</u>        | <u>Butomus umbellatus</u>    | <u>Aquatic</u>     |

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| <u>Glossy buckthorn</u>     | <u>Rhamnus frangula</u>        | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Gypsy Moth</u>           | <u>Lymantria dispar dispar</u> | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Japanese barberry</u>    | <u>Berberis thunbergii</u>     | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Japanese honeysuckle</u> | <u>Lanigera japonica</u>       | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Watercress</u>           | <u>Nasturtium officinale</u>   | <u>Aquatic</u>     |

| <b>Low Priority Education Based</b> |                              |                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Bittersweet nightshade</u>       | <u>Solanum dulcamara</u>     | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Bull thistle</u>                 | <u>Cirsium vulgare</u>       | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Canada thistle</u>               | <u>Cirsium arvense</u>       | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Cow vetch</u>                    | <u>Vicia cracca</u>          | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Dame's rocket</u>                | <u>Hesperis mantronalis</u>  | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Multiflora rose</u>              | <u>Rosa multiflora</u>       | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Narrow leaf cattail</u>          | <u>Typha angustifolia</u>    | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Oak wilt</u>                     | <u>Bretziella fagacearum</u> | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Purple loosestrife</u>           | <u>Lythrum salicaria</u>     | <u>Aquatic</u>     |
| <u>Scots pine</u>                   | <u>Pinus Sylverstis</u>      | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Spotted knapweed</u>             | <u>Centaurea stoebe</u>      | <u>Terrestrial</u> |
| <u>Zebra Mussel</u>                 | <u>Dreissena polymorpha</u>  | <u>Aquatic</u>     |



APPENDIX II

**Steering Committee**

Laura Ogar, Bay County Environmental  
 Dawn Hergott, Arenac Conservation District  
 Katie Volmering Huron Conservation District  
 Jennifer Bailey, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe  
 Mike Boike, Tuscola Conservation District  
 Terri Close, Hampton Township

**Partners**

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| Arenac Conservation District                   | Arenac County Road Commission                                   | Audubon Great Lakes                                   |
| Bay County Department of Environmental Affairs | Cass River Greenway   | Conservation Fund                                     |
| Consumers Energy                               | EDDMapS   | Great Lakes Commission                                |
| Huron Conservation District                    | Hampton Township  | Lone Tree Council                                     |
| Midwest Invasive Species Information Network   | Michigan Lakes and Streams Association                          | Michigan Department of Natural Resources              |
| Michigan Department of Environmental Quality   | Michigan Sea Grant  | Michigan State University Natural Resources Extension |
| Michigan Technological University              | Natural Resource Conservation Service                           | Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy                        |
| Saginaw Chippewa Indian                        | Saginaw Career Complex Animal and Agricultural Sciences Program | Saginaw Conservation District                         |
| Saginaw County Road Commission                 | Saginaw Valley State University                                 | Thomas Township Nature Center and Preserve            |
| Tuscola Conservation District                  | Tuscola County Parks and Recreation                             | Tuscola County Planning Commission                    |

# **THUMB ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**



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February 14, 2022

Dear Tuscola County Road Commissioners:

As you are aware, Thumb Electric Cooperative (TEC) is building fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) in much of the Thumb of Michigan. Construction started in Tuscola County late last year. We now find ourselves with an unforeseen challenge and are requesting your support with a fiber installation variance as outlined in detail in attachments.

Thumb Electric Cooperative (TEC) is a non-profit member-owned Electric Cooperative having been established in 1937. Since that time, we have taken on the challenge of providing reliable and affordable electric service to over 12,200 members in Huron, Sanilac, and Tuscola Counties, with roughly half of those being in Tuscola. TEC was established because for-profit electric utilities would not bring the much-needed electric service to the rural areas, as the density was considered too low for profitability. Fast forward to today and that same low-density issue is once again problematic. This time it is FTTH internet service rather than electric service.

As a result, a detailed financial feasibility study was performed to determine if TEC could once again fill a community need, and this time bridge the digital-divide between the high-density cities and the low-density rural areas by providing FTTH service. Through many hours and iterations of financial modeling, it was determined that TEC could again step up to the plate and meet this need. This will mean, just through TEC's FTTH effort, nearly 19,000 additional homes and businesses throughout the Thumb Area will have this FTTH internet service available to them.

In late 2020, TEC participated in the FCC Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) auction. TEC was successful in securing \$22.5 million to be paid in monthly installments over the next ten years to help support the operations of providing this FTTH service. However, with a projected \$85 million in construction costs, long-term loan funding is required for this project. TEC has already secured a \$51.2 million long-term loan from Rural Utility Services (RUS), with principal and interest scheduled to be paid back. This capital investment is being made for the betterment of the Thumb of Michigan and TEC members.

The Tuscola County portion of the TEC Fiber construction project consists of approximately 400 miles of overhead fiber cable, passing approximately 5,300 residents & businesses and 140 miles of underground fiber passing approximately 3,000 residents and businesses. The Tuscola County mainline project is tentatively scheduled to be completed in 2022. The mainline construction crews will then move to either Huron or Sanilac County. The overhead fiber will be installed on TEC's existing electric pole infrastructure. TEC's poles are typically on private property, not within the road right-of-way. Tuscola County Road Commission (TCRC) permit standards note the standard applies "within the road right-of-way". As our electric system is nearly all in private easement, there would, in our opinion, be no need to consider this portion for permitting with the possible exception of road crossings. The project will use All-Dielectric-

Self-Supporting (ADSS) fiber which will allow it to be installed higher up on the poles in the electric power space, thus providing more ground clearance. The underground fiber will be installed in areas where TEC does not have existing electric infrastructure. The underground conduit and fiber installation is planned to be plowed as this is the most cost-effective method.

Any overly burdensome requirements including plowing in any inaccessible areas of the road right-of-way, extra underground boring mandates, pre-construction project drawing submissions, permitting fees, or fees for inspection/oversight of the project to name a few, will increase the installation costs substantially. These additional project costs will very likely prevent the scope of the project from being completed as planned and prevent some residents access to this FTTH internet service.

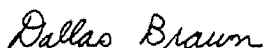
In preparation for the construction project, we thought we had done our due-diligence and communicated our plans regarding required permitting with the appropriate agencies including MDOT, the Railroad, and Townships. TEC has worked with the Townships to revise its Township Franchise to also include fiber service along with electric service. We have applied and received the Metro Act (MCL act 48 of 2002) Permits from the Townships. Not to make excuses with some of the Metro Act Permit language but this is where there may have been some misinterpretations/discrepancies regarding duplicating the Metro Act permit and fee process with the local County. In essence, we thought the Metro Act Permits covered everything.

If our construction project would happen to cause any damage to a road or private property, we will be a responsible partner and work with the appropriate parties to fix and resolve the issue. If the TCRC has time involved with our project, TEC would be amenable to compensating the TCRC for reasonable time spent on our project. A surety bond or similar would be an appropriate means to accomplish this rather than a detailed "Road Operating Agreement" that has been presented to us. We have been informed by both Huron and Sanilac County that use of such a "Road Agreement" would not be required.

Since time is of the essence as well as concerns of potentially overly burdensome fees/costs and the fact that TEC wants to be a responsible partner, we respectfully ask for variances allowed as outlined in the "**Permit Standards for all Utilities within the Right-of-Way revised July 22, 2021**" by the TCRC.

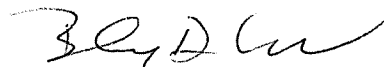
We have attached several documents that clarify our variance requests, and how we would like to proceed with the TCRC, working together to affordably and responsibly bring FTTH internet service to as many residents and businesses as possible to Tuscola County. TEC has been an integral part of the Thumb for 85 years and we look forward to continuing this well into the future starting with this project.

Respectfully,



Dallas Braun  
TEC General Manager

Respectfully,



Brad Essenmacher  
TEC Broadband Manager

cc Tuscola County Commissioners  
Tuscola County EDC  
Dan Manning, Connect Michigan  
Phil Green District 84 State of Michigan Representative  
TEC Board of Directors

## **Thumb Electric Cooperative**

### **Fiber-To-The-Home**

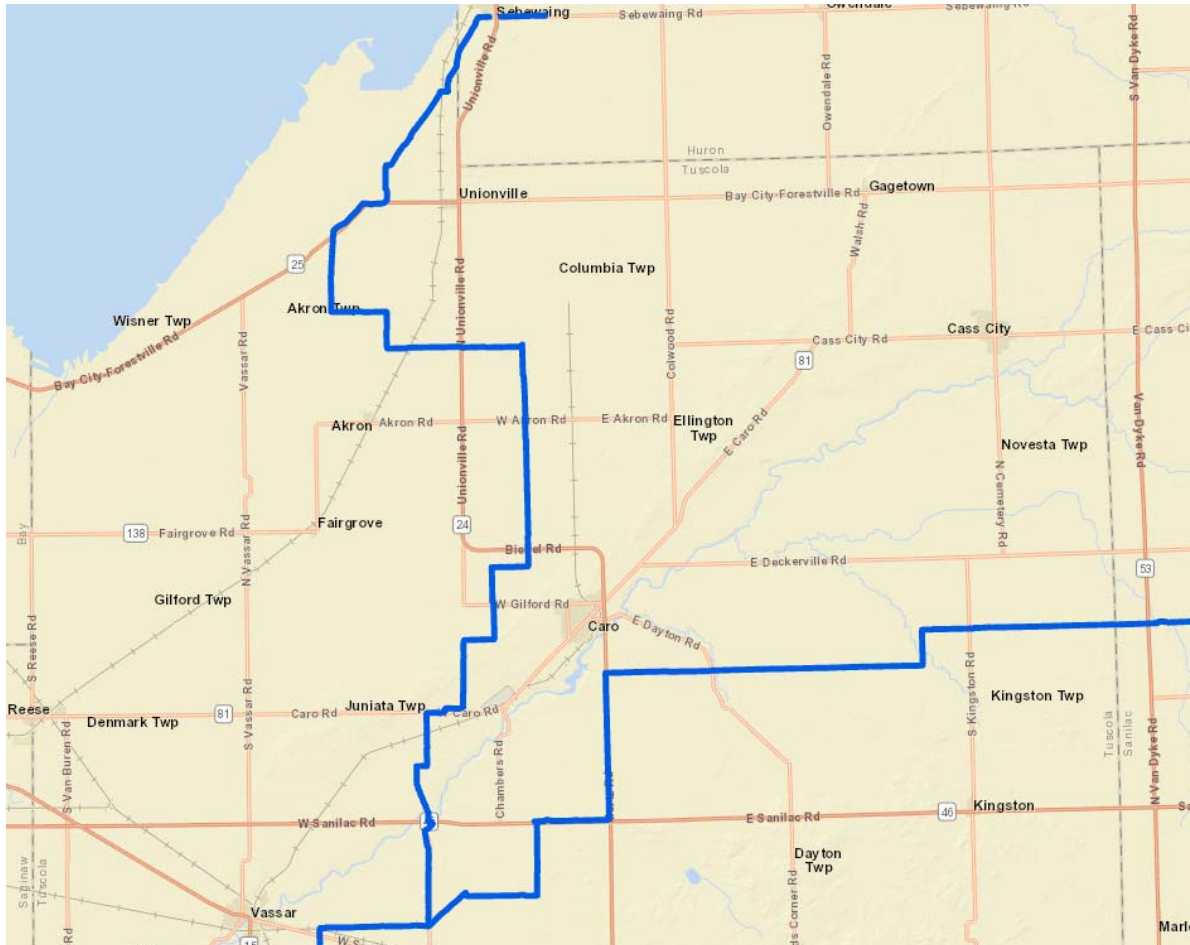
#### **Construction Project and Variance Request is as follows:**

1. We request the ability to plow fiber in the 17'-20' off Center Line for the underground runs parallel to a County Road where there are many trees and other obstacles in the path of the 28'-33' standard. These areas would be determined by TEC and then would seek approval from the TCRC before construction starts on that route. If a culvert, drain, etc. is unavoidable, construction would indeed bore under them. The project plan is to plow fiber parallel to the road. If boring were required for all underground fiber installation, construction costs increase significantly and scope of entire project is decreased.
2. The level of detail required in each set of individual permit plans with the quantity of permits required would be time and cost prohibitive to the project. We request that for the Tuscola County mainline fiber, two permits are allowed to cover the project. One for the overhead fiber and one for the underground fiber. We would provide a map sketch for each Township showing the route for both the overhead and underground locations. We would provide a "Typical install" for both overhead and underground as the planned design. The entire project is designed in GIS (the rest of this document provides an overview of the GIS design), and we have provided a link to Tuscola County staff to view online. We would provide electronic As-Builts as a requirement of the Metro Act, to each Township and would provide Tuscola County the same.
3. The majority of our existing poles are in private easement. We do cross road ROW and feel the County maintenance permit allows us to repair, replace, upgrade, and add to that existing infrastructure. We would follow all NESC requirements for all road crossings.
4. We ask that all Permits for Service drops to individual residences or businesses not be required, as there are 8,300 potential new service points within Tuscola County and most would occur outside of the road ROW on private easement. The exception would be overhead crossings which follow our existing infrastructure.
5. Working hours according to the County Standards are 8am-5pm, M-F. We would ask permission to work weekends and holidays, as needed.
6. If required, we are open to some type of bond that would encompass the entire County project such as a surety bond to cover fair and reasonable TCRC or road damage expenses. The Metro Act Permit for the area does bond us for \$1 Million if any damage were to occur. The current individual fees are cost prohibitive to this project, given the scale.

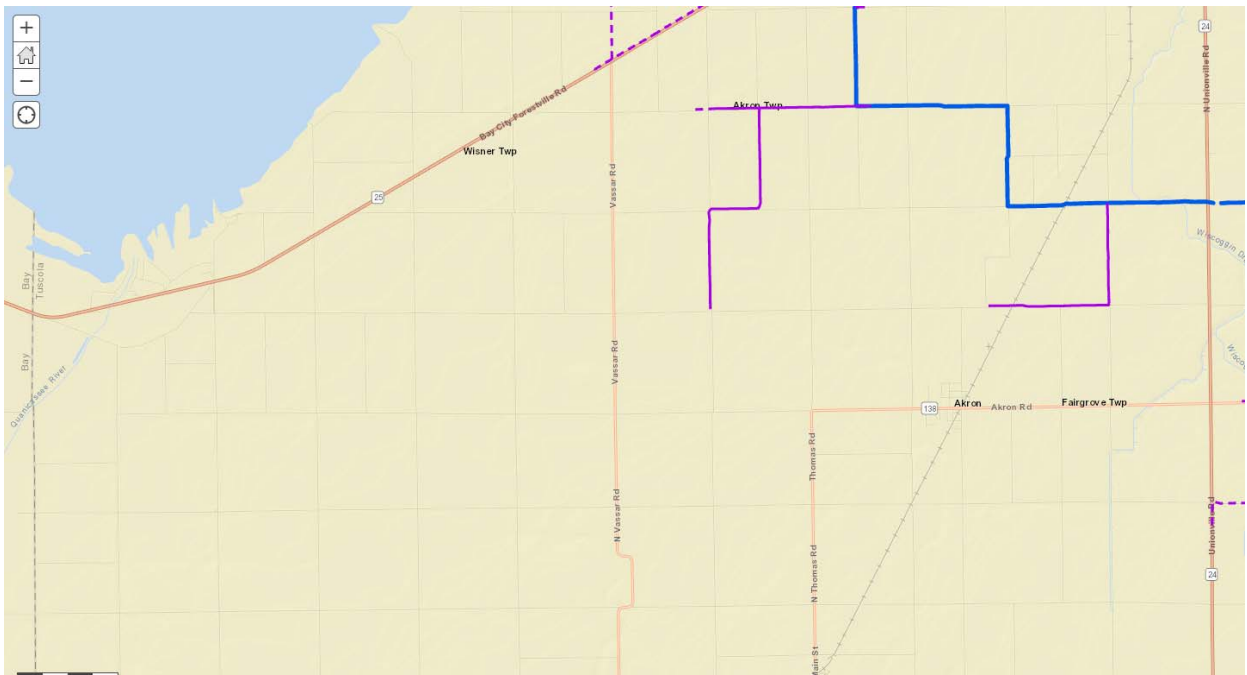
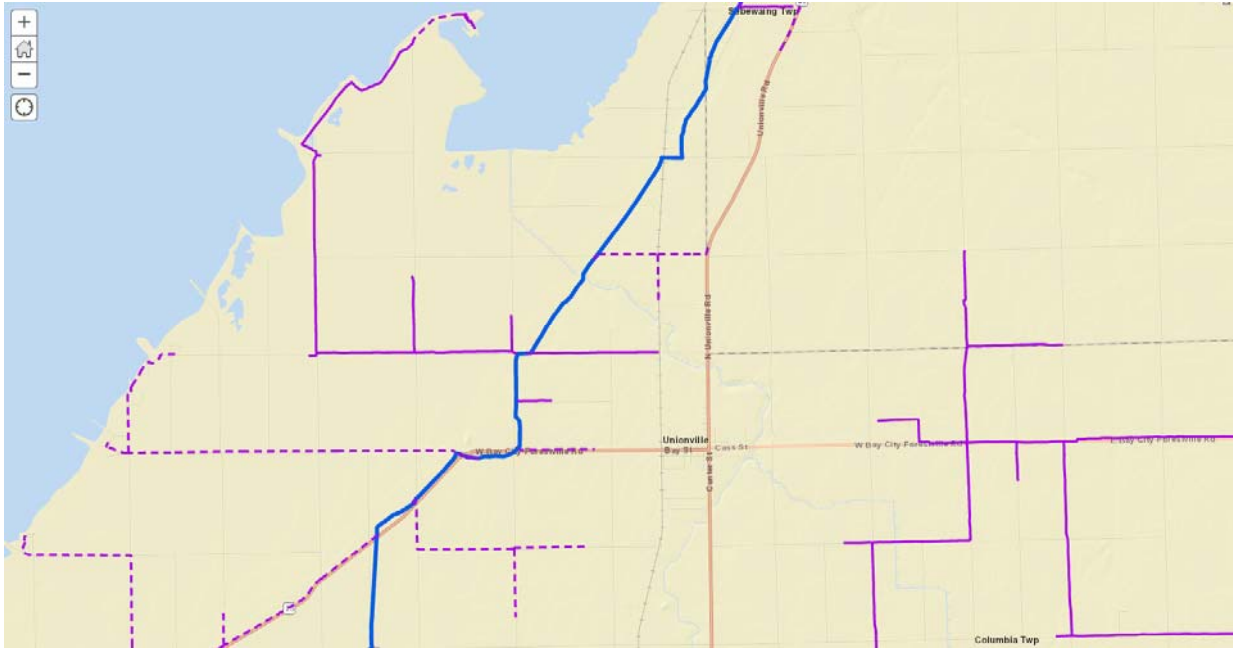
Having listed our variance requests, TEC plans to follow the Tuscola County construction rules, including UG depth and right-angle requirements. We plan to use HDPE SDR-11 conduit, which satisfies the County specification.

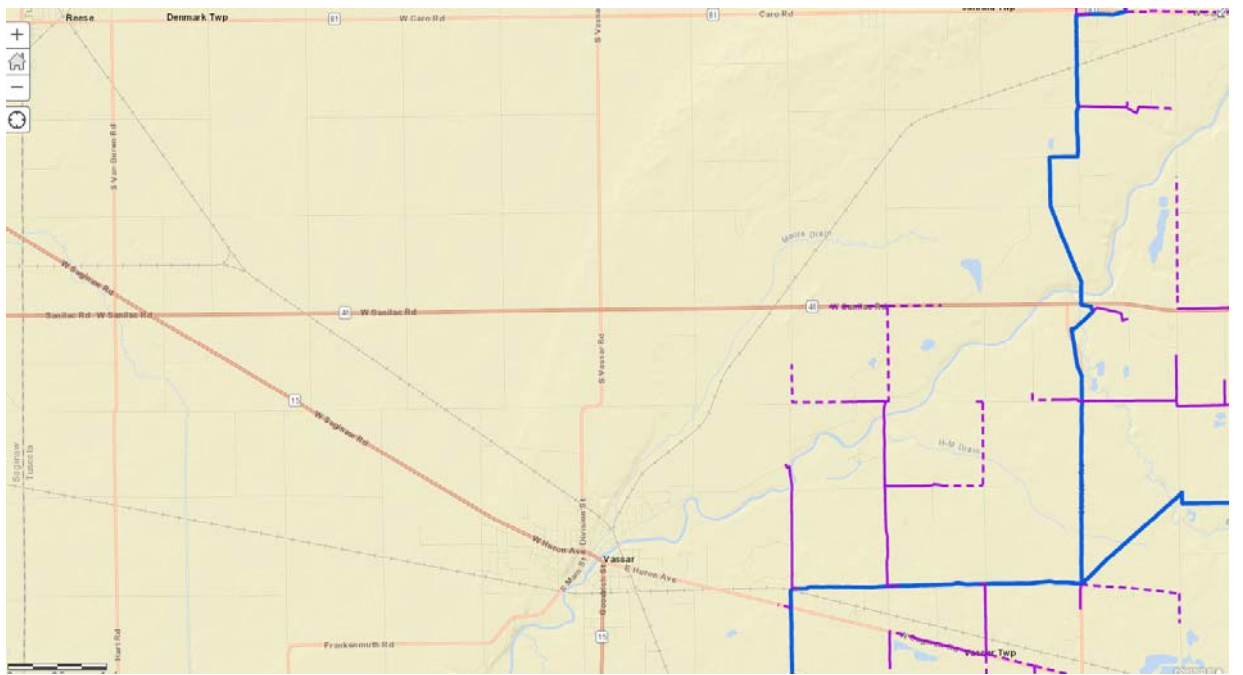
To provide Tuscola County with a visual representation of where we plan to build fiber over the next year and how much there is, the next several images of maps are a walk-through. The blue and purple lines represent fiber optic cable. Solid lines represent cable overhead attached to utility poles and dashed lines represent cable placed underground. There are a few more cables if the zoom scale was tighter, but this gives a good visual scale of the quantity of fiber within Tuscola County.

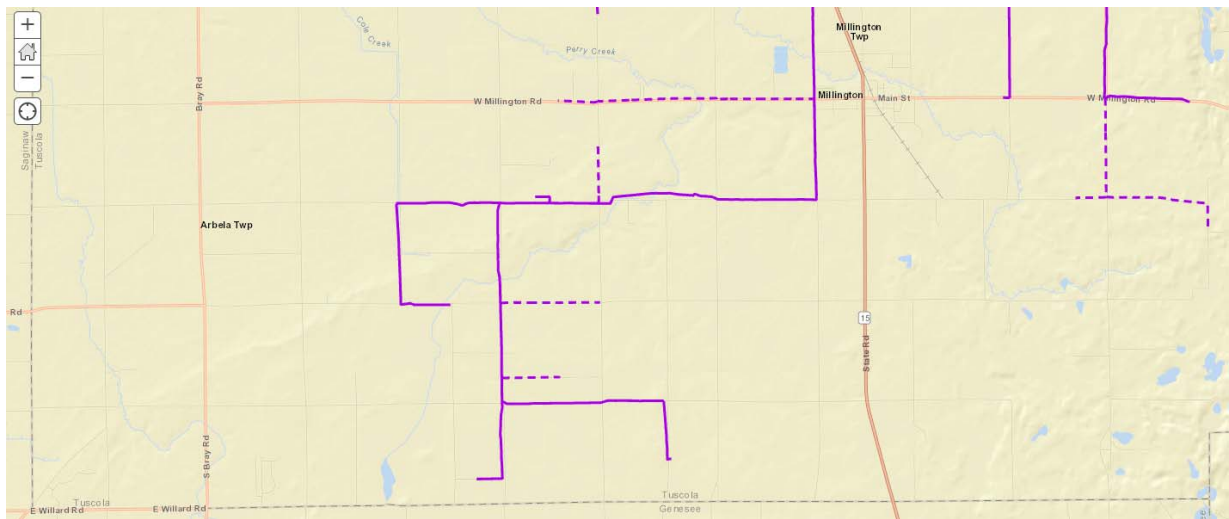
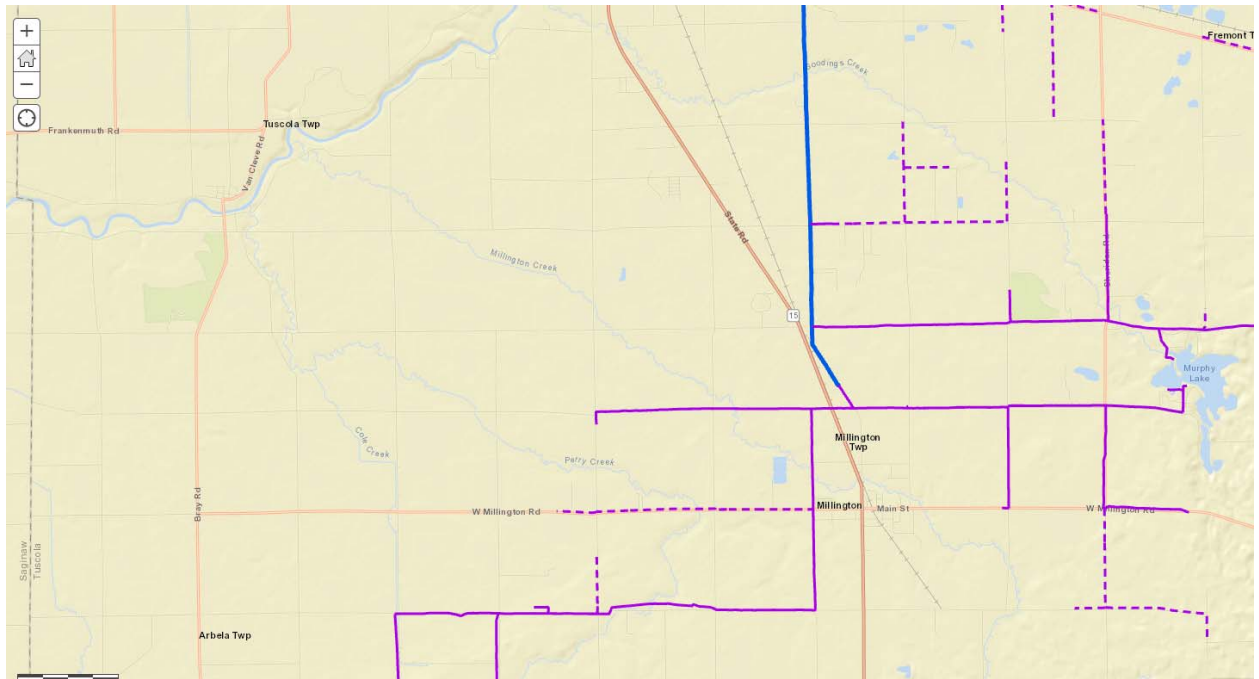
The first 2 images are a very high level, showcasing the entire County region. More detailed images follow, broken up into 3 vertical segments. We have also provided a typical OH drawing and a typical UG bore crossing.



The next few pages are zoomed in for more detail, depicting the backbone and distribution routes within the County. The next 6 images are going from north to south, on the west side of the County.

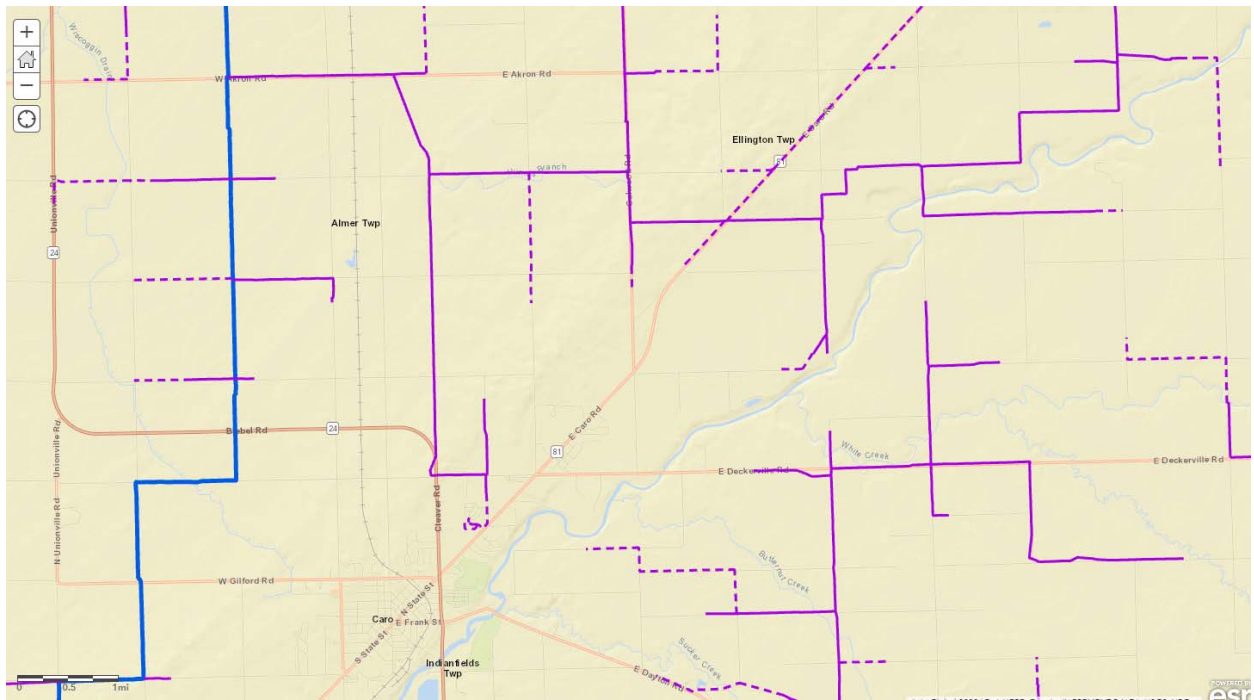
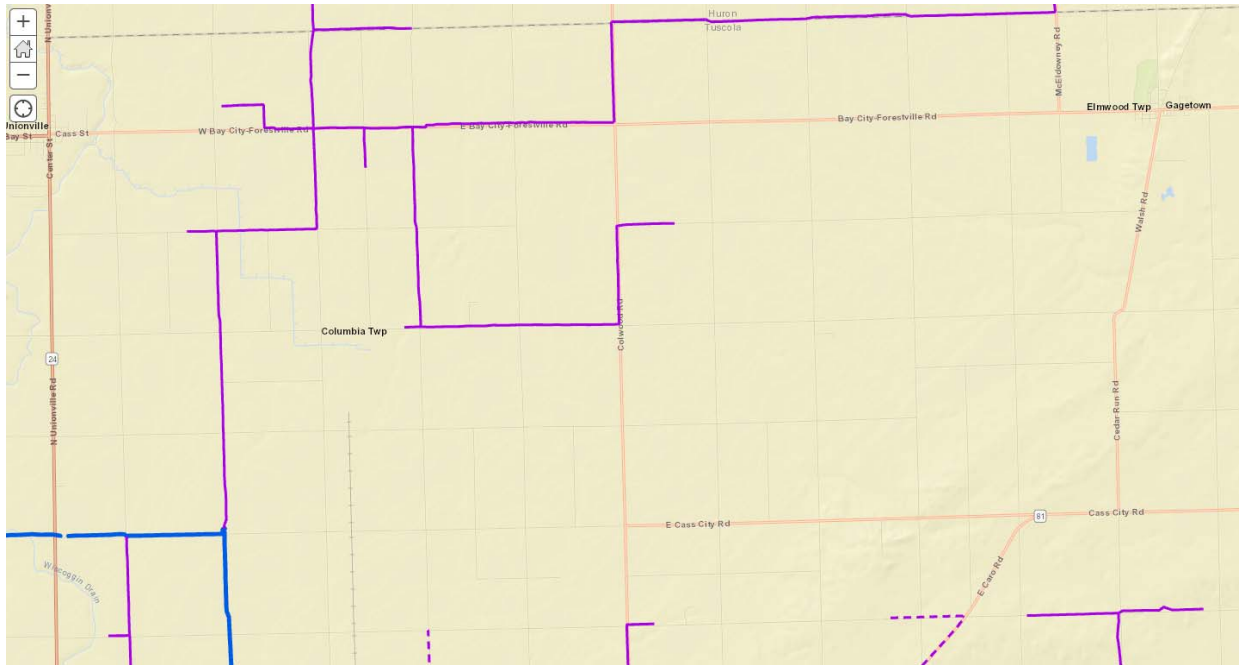


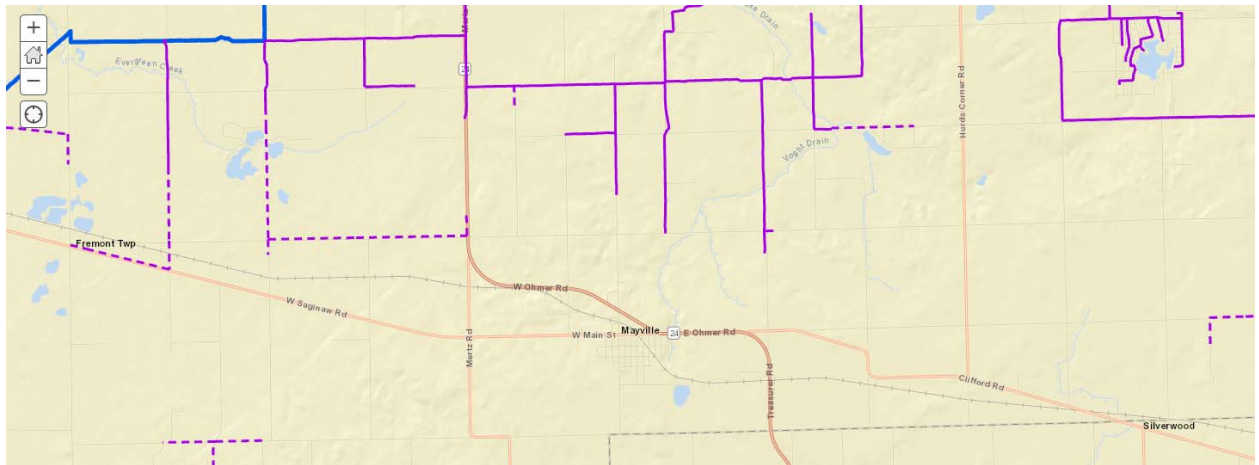
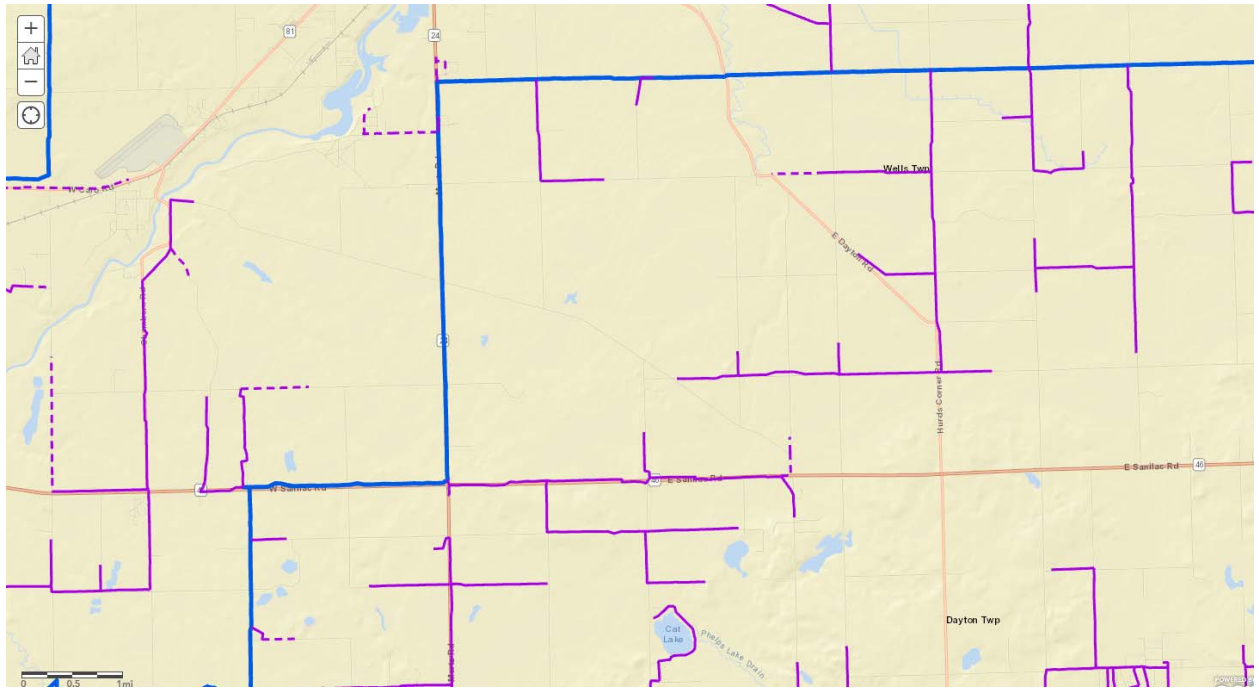




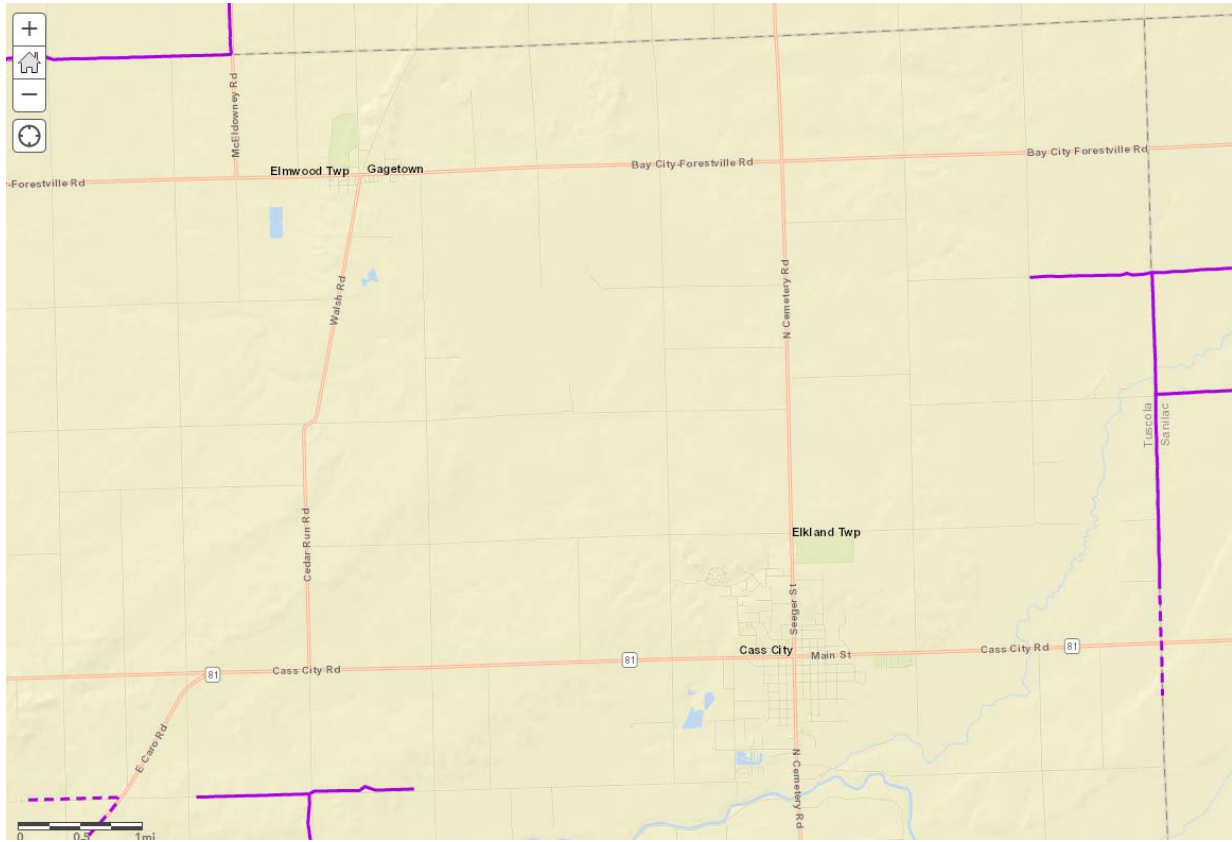


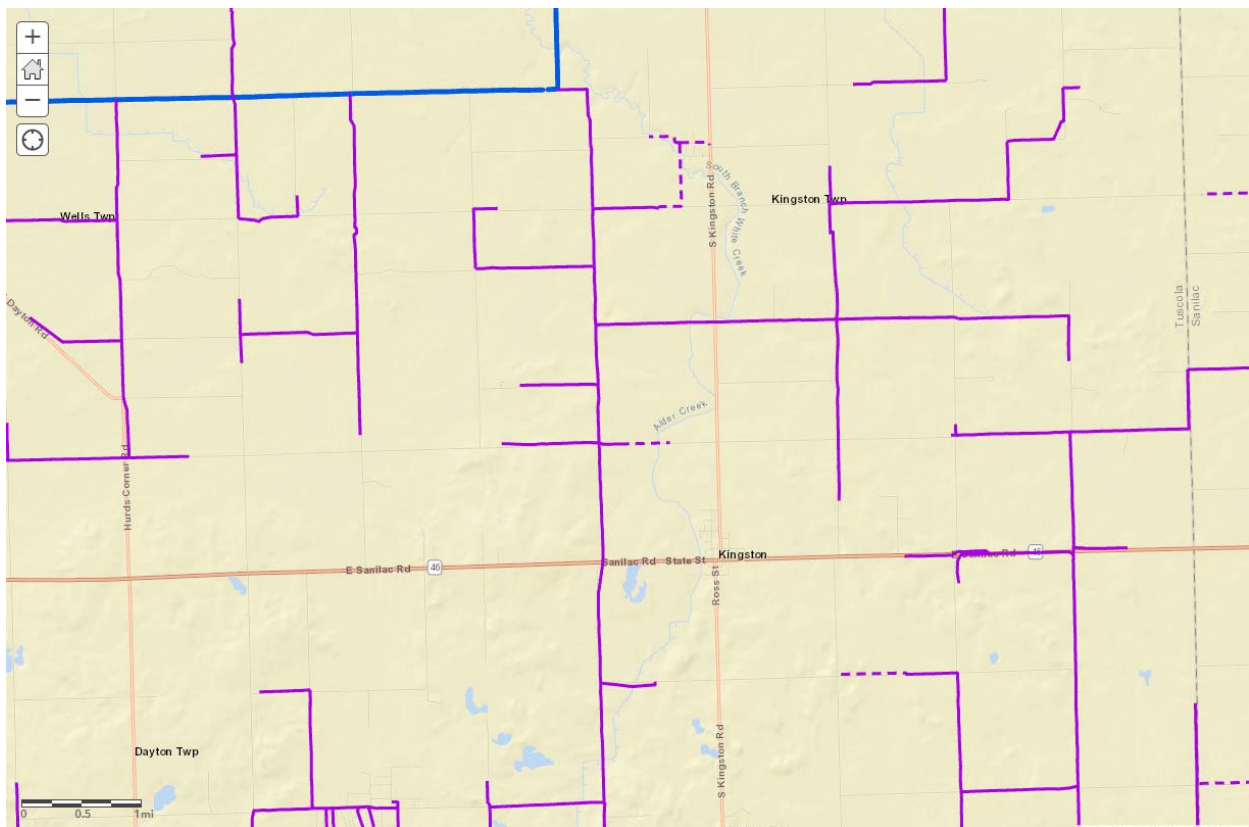
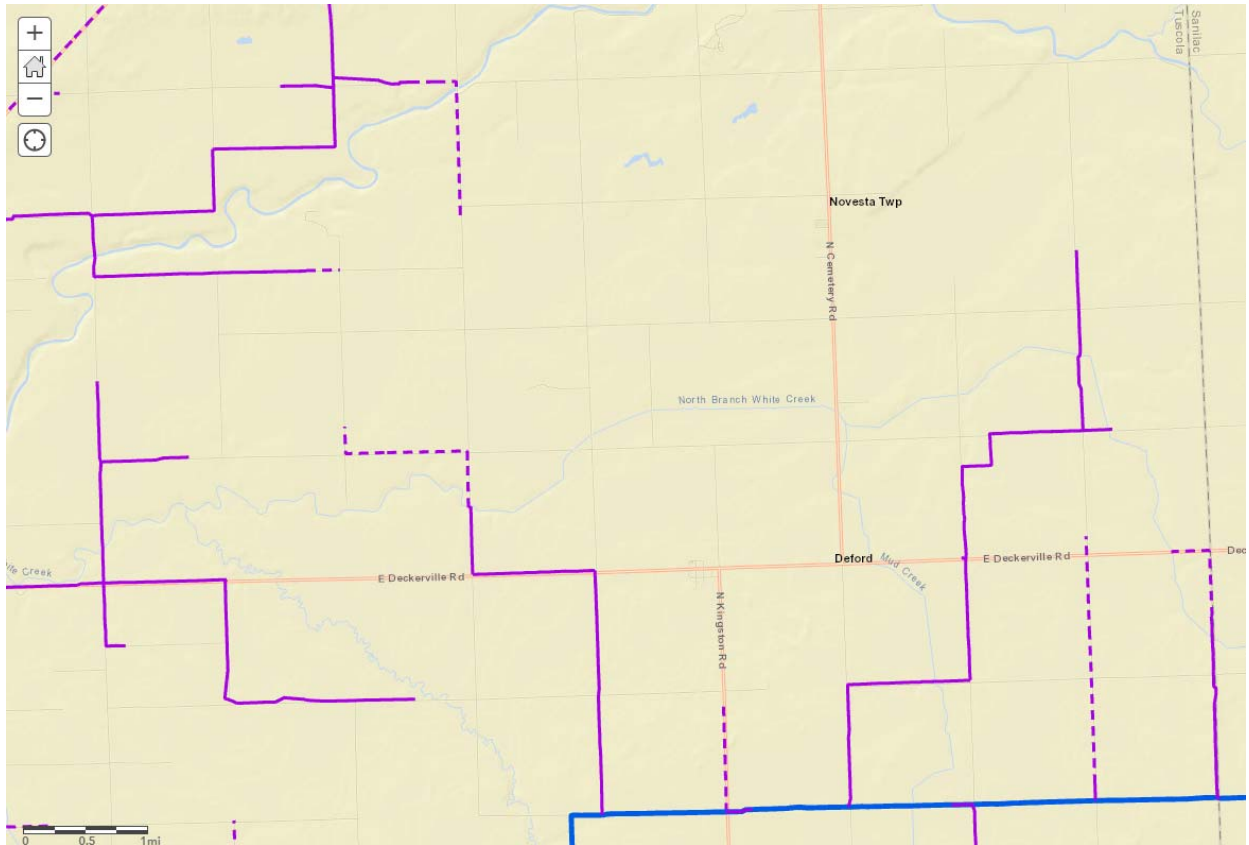
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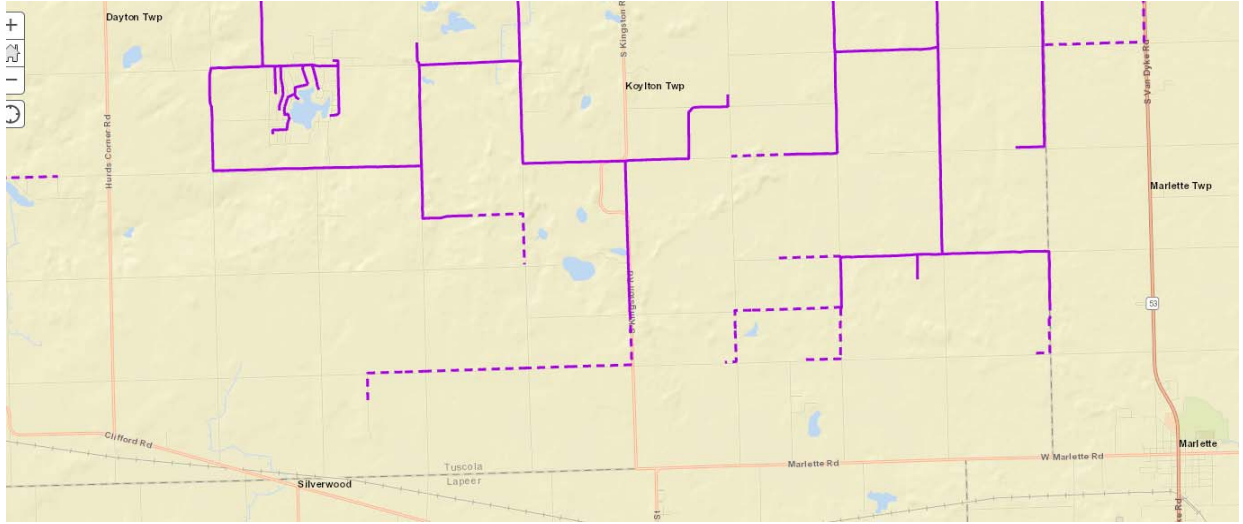


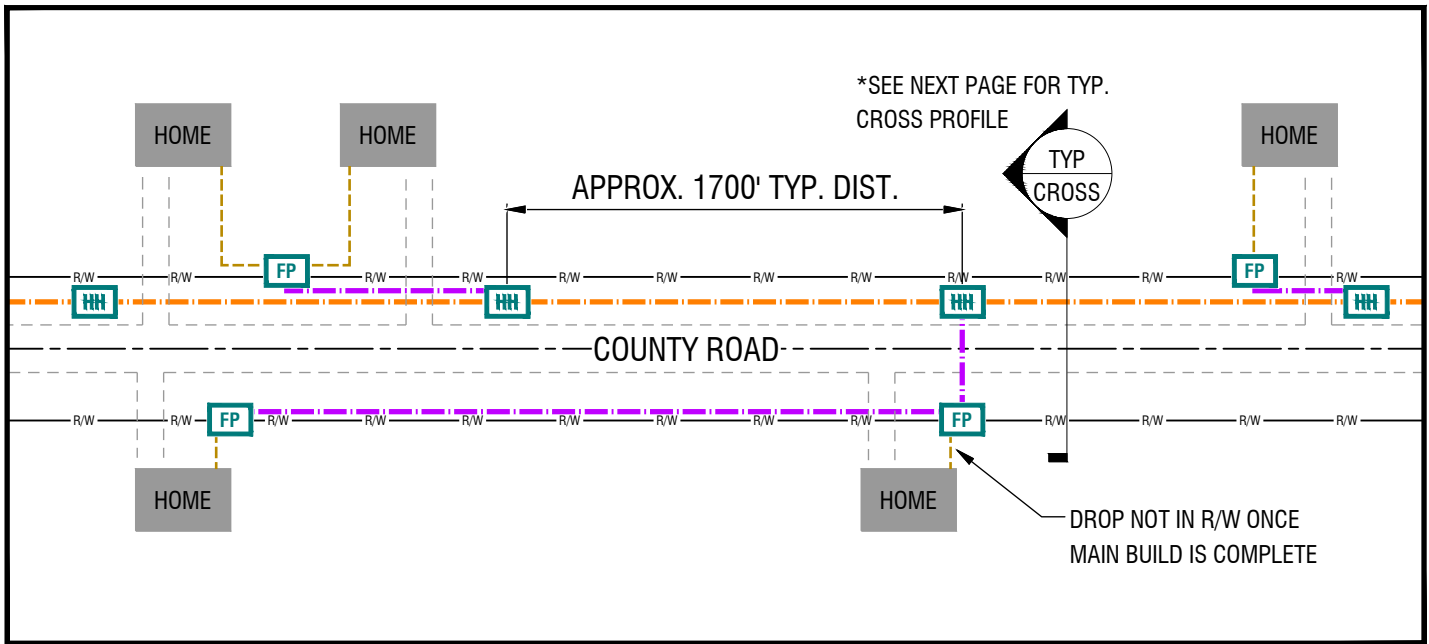


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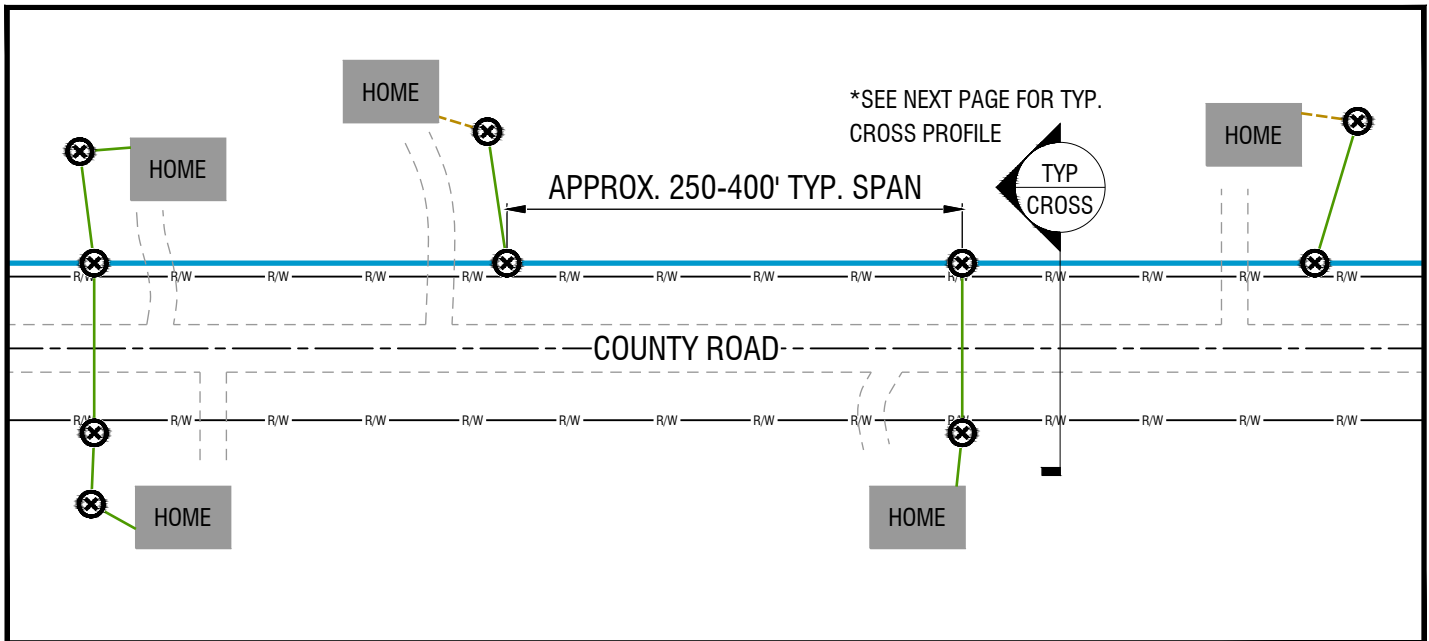








**TYPICAL MILE OF UNDERGROUND FIBER OPTIC CABLE**



**TYPICAL MILE OF AERIAL FIBER OPTIC CABLE**

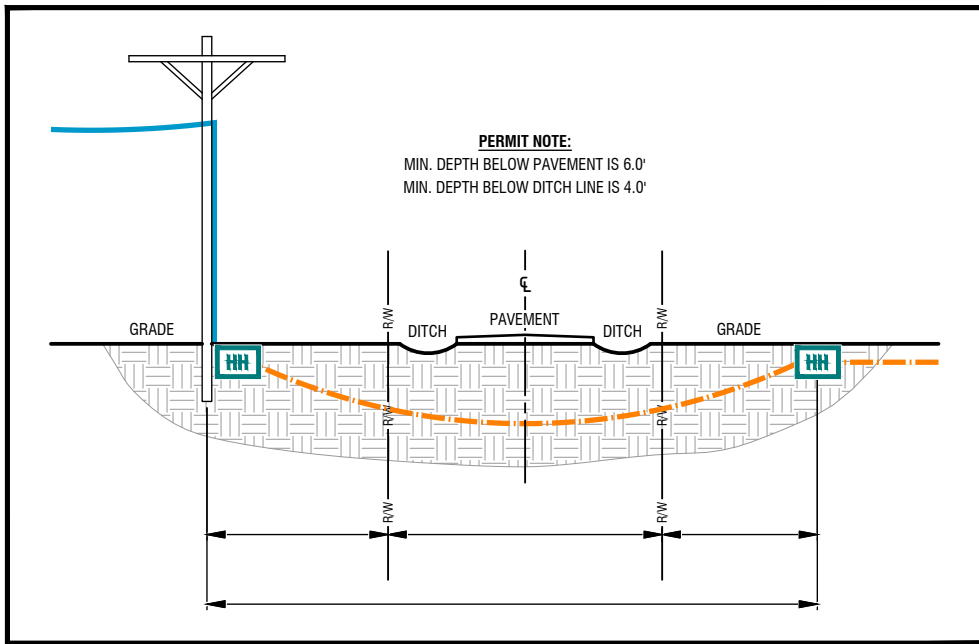
**LEGEND:**

- - - MAINLINE UG CONDUIT
  - - - FLOWER POT UG CONDUIT
  - - - UNDERGROUND DROP
  - HH MAINLINE HANDHOLE
  - FP FLOWER POT
- AERIAL FIBER CABLE
  - AERIAL DROP
  - R/W — RIGHT OF WAY
  - ⊗ UTILITY POLE

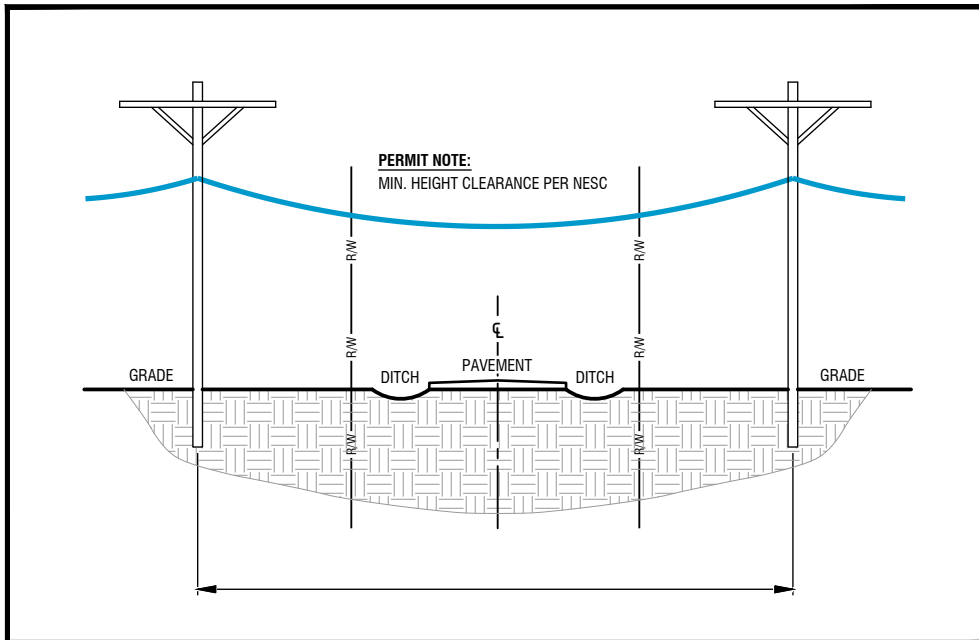


Member driven.  
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2121 COOPERATIVE WAY,  
HERNDON, VA 20171

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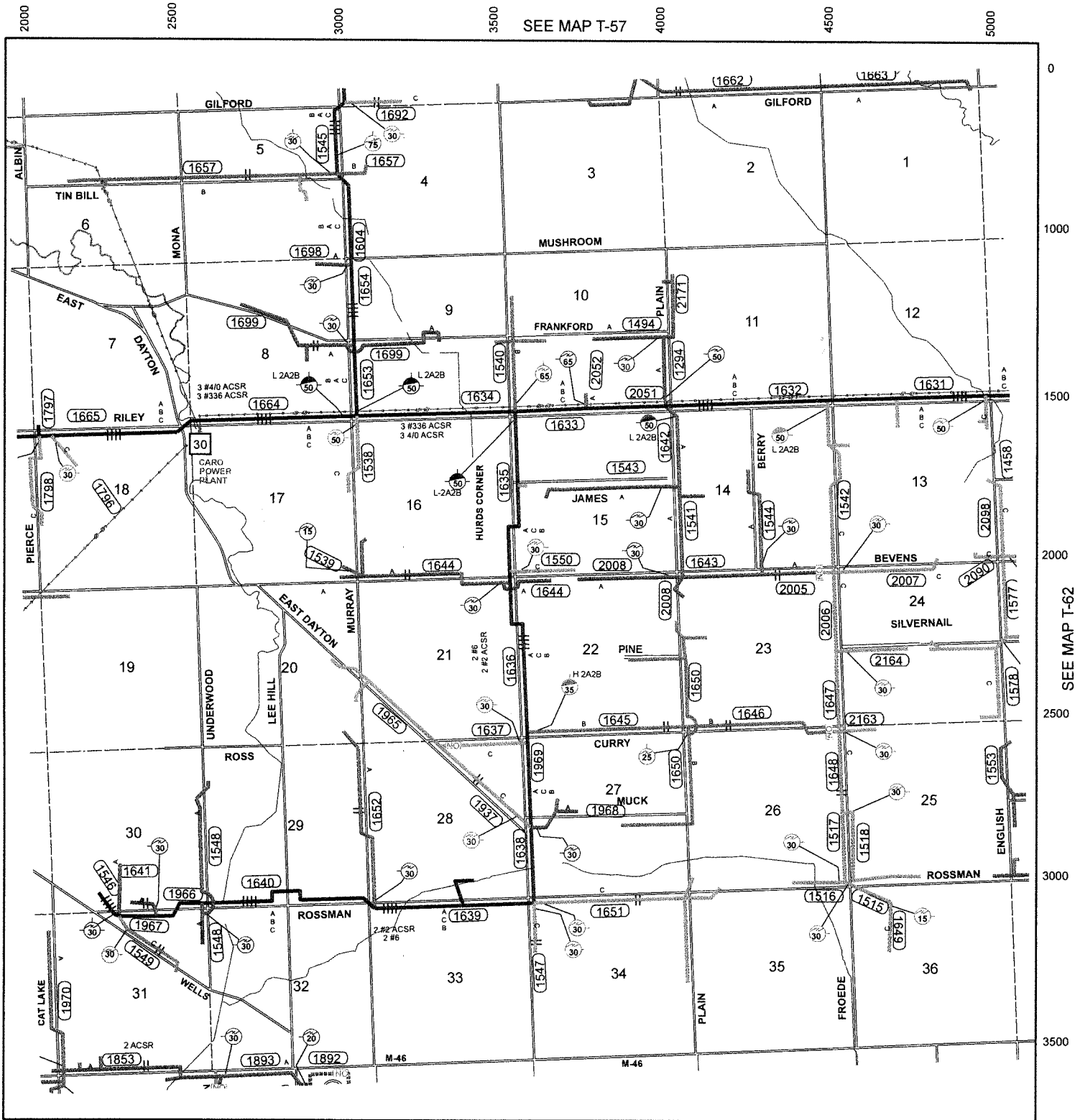
**UNDERGROUND FIBER ROAD CROSSING PROFILE**



**AERIAL FIBER ROAD CROSSING PROFILE**

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| RELEASE PERMIT   | FEB 10, 2022                    |
| CLIENT   | THUMB ELECTRIC<br>COUNTY PERMIT |

OVERHEAD \*The majority of overhead is in private ROW - shown for crossing.



SEE MAP T-60

SEE MAP T-62

SEE MAP T-65

CONDUCTORS 6A UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

- ServicePoint
- Recloser
- Fuse
- Voltage Regulator
- Capacitor

2,000 1,000 0 2,000 4,000 6,000 8,000

Feet

SCALE: 1" = 2000

**THUMB**  
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

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MICHIGAN - 37 - HURON

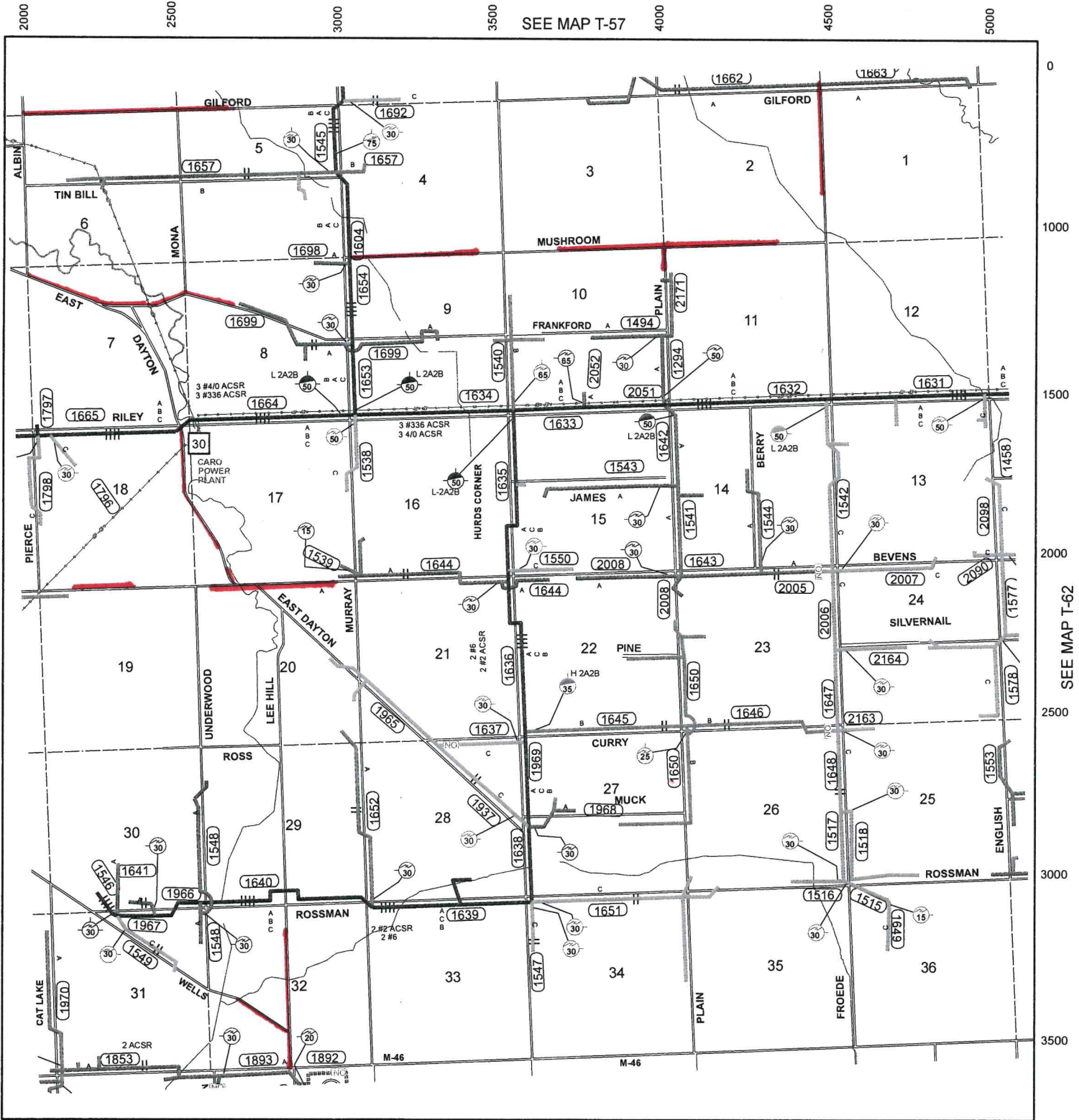
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| DETAIL MAP                           |               |                  |         |
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| RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION |               |                  |         |
| COUNTY AND STATE                     | TOWNSHIP NAME | TOWNSHIP         | MAP NO. |
| TUSCOLA MICHIGAN                     | WELLS         | T 12 N<br>R 10 E | T61     |



**UNDERGROUND**



SEE MAP T-60

SEE MAP T-62

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|  <p>CONDUCTORS 6A UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ServicePoint</li> <li>○ Recloser</li> <li>○ Fuse</li> <li>○ Voltage Regulator</li> <li>○ Capacitor</li> </ul> <p>2,000 1,000 0 2,000 4,000 6,000 8,000</p> <p>Feet</p> <p>SCALE: 1" = 2000</p> |  <p>THUMB<br/>ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE</p> <p>ULBY, MICHIGAN<br/>MICHIGAN - 37 - HURON</p>  <p>ST PETERS, MO 63376</p> | <p><b>DETAIL MAP</b></p> <p>RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION</p> |                                   |  |
|  |  | <p>COUNTY AND STATE</p> <p>TUSCOLA MICHIGAN</p>                      | <p>TOWNSHIP NAME</p> <p>WELLS</p> | <p>TOWNSHIP</p> <p>T 12 N<br/>R 10 E</p> |
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TELNET

# TelNet Proposal

TelNet Worldwide  
31700 Research Park Drive  
Madison Heights, MI 48071

|  |   |                       |
|--|---|-----------------------|
| <b>TelNet Worldwide Quote Prepared for TUSCOLA COUNTY - 207 E GRANT ST</b> |   | <b>Term: 60Months</b> |
| Prepared on: February 15, 2022   | Expires on: May 16, 2022<br>Payment terms: Net 20 |                       |

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Quote Prepared for:</b>          | <b>Quote Prepared by:</b>  |
| 207 E GRANT ST<br>CARO, MI<br>48723 | Sara Clancy<br>TelNet Worldwide<br>Customer Account Manager<br><br>P: (248) 485-7083<br>sclancy@telnetww.com |

| <b>IP-PRI Bundle</b>                             |                  |            |                 |                     |
|--|------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| PRODUCT  | UNIT PRICE       | QTY        | Monthly Total   | Non Recurring Total |
| <b>PRI Voice Gateway (Adtran) (Subscription)</b> | \$29.50          | 1          | \$29.50         | \$0.00              |
| <b>Voice Gateway - Setup Fee</b>                 | \$0.00           | 1          | \$0.00          | \$0.00              |
| <b>PRI Channel</b>                               | \$8.50           | 23         | \$195.50        | \$0.00              |
| <b>Telephone Number</b>                          | \$0.25           | 228        | \$57.00         | \$0.00              |
| <b>Domestic LD Metered Rate Plan</b>             | \$0.00           | 23         | \$0.00          | \$0.00              |
|  | <b>Subtotal:</b> | <b>276</b> | <b>\$282.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b>       |

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| <b>MONTHLY TOTAL:</b> | <b>NON RECURRING TOTAL:</b> |
| \$282.00              | \$0.00                      |



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Rates will only apply to the services that have been purchased

| <b>IP PRI Call Plan</b>      | <b>Local</b> | <b>Intralata</b> | <b>Interstate</b> | <b>Intrastate</b> | <b>Toll Free</b> | <b>Intl</b> |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Unlimited Nationwide Calling | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.022            | Market Rate |
| International Calling        | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00             | Market Rate |
| Domestic LD Rate Plan        | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.019             | 0.019             | 0.022            | Market Rate |

| <b>MS Teams Call Plan</b>    | <b>Local</b> | <b>Intralata</b> | <b>Interstate</b> | <b>Intrastate</b> | <b>Toll Free</b> | <b>Intl</b> |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Unlimited Nationwide Calling | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.022            | Market Rate |
| International Calling        | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00             | Market Rate |
| Domestic LD Rate Plan        | 0.00         | 0.00             | 0.019             | 0.019             | 0.022            | Market Rate |



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**Stock #**

2022 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD, Body Type:

| <b>Cash</b> |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
|             | Balance Due     |
| \$0         | <b>\$40,860</b> |

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| MSRP/Retail                       | \$48,245.00 |
| Discount                          | \$1,370.00  |
| Selling Price                     | \$46,875.00 |
| Trade Difference                  | \$46,875.00 |
| Government Fees                   | \$55.00     |
| Proc/Doc Fees                     | \$230.00    |
| Subtotal (Selling Price + Addons) | \$47,160.00 |
| Rebates                           | \$6,300.00  |
| Total Balance Due                 | \$40,860.00 |

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**Customer Signature** **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Manager Signature** **Date**



Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister &lt;zclay@tuscolacounty.org&gt;

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**[EXTERNAL] FW: Lead fee schedule**

1 message

**Kathy O'Dell** <kodell@tchd.us>

Fri, Feb 18, 2022 at 3:01 PM

To: Clayette Zechmeister &lt;zclay@tuscolacounty.org&gt;

Cc: Kristi Villalobos &lt;kvillalobos@tchd.us&gt;, Amanda Ertman &lt;aertman@tchd.us&gt;

Hello Clayette,

At today's Board of Health meeting the members approved a change to the Tuscola County Health Dept. Fee Schedule under the Miscellaneous Section. TCHD needs to add a "Lead Sample Collection" fee (\$10). Below please see Kristi Villalobos' explanation of the fee. We also need BOC approval for this fee. Thank you.

*Kathy O'Dell*

Administrative Services Coordinator

Tuscola County Health Department

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**From:** Kristi Villalobos [mailto:kvillalobos@tchd.us]**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 2:37 PM**To:** Kathy O'Dell**Subject:** Lead fee schedule

We have added a new fee for the collection of a capillary blood sample for the purpose to screen for elevated lead levels. The fee only covers the collection because we will send the specimen to MDHHS lab for processing. This fee was set to be reasonable to the Medicaid reimbursement rate.

The other lead fee on the fee schedule is for the whole process of blood lead sample collection and point of care testing in our lab utilizing a CLIA waived blood lead testing machine called Leadcare II which has been on recall with not predication of when we will be able to use this machine again.

Kristi Villalobos RN, MSN

Nursing Administrator

Tuscola County Health Department

1309 Cleaver Rd., Suite B

Caro, MI 48723

**TUSCOLA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
FEE SCHEDULE**

|                         |  |                              |                                     |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>SECTION</b>          | <b>4</b>   | <b>SUBJECT</b>               | Miscellaneous Fees                  |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>          | To establish fees to be charged for services rendered. |                              |                                     |
| <b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>   | <del>01/01/2020</del><br>03/01/2022                    | <b>LAST REVIEW</b>           | <del>12/16/2019</del><br>01/27/2022 |
| <b>DATE ESTABLISHED</b> | 01/26/1999   | <b>LAST REVISION DATE</b>    | <del>11/08/2018</del><br>03/01/2022 |
| <b>BOH ADOPTED DATE</b> | 01/15/1999   | <b>BOH ADOPTED DATE</b>      | <del>09/21/2018</del><br>02/18/2022 |
| <b>BOC ADOPTED DATE</b> | 01/26/1999   | <b>BOC RATIFICATION DATE</b> | <del>11/08/2018</del><br>02/24/2022 |

| Service  | Fee  |
|--|--|
| Lead   | \$25   |
| Lead sample collection only  | <b>\$10</b>  |
| Lead Nursing Home Visit – First Visit & Second T1028   | \$85   |
| Lead Environmental Health Home Visit – First Visit & Second T102   | \$205  |
| Immune Status Titers:<br>FB146 – Medical/Nursing Student – Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Anti-HBs,<br>Varicella Zoster<br>FB147- Health Care Worker – Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella Zoster | Actual Cost of Lab Tests/Kits (when test kits available) |
| Court Ordered Testing  | \$141+ Actual Cost of Test                               |
| Public Health Nurse/Health Educator Presentation   | \$75/Hour (min. 1 hour charge)                           |
| Disinterment/Reinterment Permit  | \$10   |
| Record Copy Cost (per page)  | .02 per page (FOIA related – first 30 copies free)       |
| Dental Varnish Screening Exam (Children under the age of 3 – Medicaid only)  | \$14.89  |
| Dental Varnish Application (Children under the age of 3 – Medicaid only)   | \$9.00   |

## Consumers Energy Foundation Calls for Entries in Put Your Town on the Map Competition

*\$50,000 will be awarded between three Michigan small towns*

JACKSON, Mich., Feb. 15, 2022 -- The Consumers Energy Foundation is bringing back the Put Your Town on the Map pitch competition to provide \$50,000 for big ideas in Michigan's small towns.

The Put Your Town on the Map competition provides dollars for three projects that aim to help small communities in Michigan grow and thrive. Communities with a population of up to 10,000 have through March 18 to submit proposals.

"It's no secret the past two years have been challenging for everyone. As we look toward a more hopeful future, Consumers Energy is proud to continue our tradition of helping the communities we serve grow and thrive," **said Roger Curtis, Consumers Energy's vice president of public affairs.** "Michigan's small and rural towns have big ideas for their futures, and we're excited to help provide the resources necessary to bring those projects to life."

The Consumers Energy Foundation and the Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) will select 10 finalists to make their pitch at the Small Town and Rural Development Conference in May. The top three winners will receive grants worth \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000, respectively.

Consumers Energy started the competition in 2019. In 2021, grant dollars were awarded to Comins Township in Oscoda County to support a public square for events and tourism promotion, Pinckney in Livingston County to build an accessible community garden, and Alma in Gratiot County to create an art corridor in the downtown area.

"Every small and rural community in Michigan needs to enter the Consumers Energy Foundation's Put Your Town on the Map contest," **said Rob Murphy, Comins Township Supervisor.** "Comins Township was honored to be recognized in 2021 as one of the three winners who received grant dollars from this competition. This opportunity has begun a community wide transformation and it's all centered around our new Fairview Town Square and events area being constructed. The entire township is excited to be recognized and thankful for the Foundation's work to support Michigan communities of any size."

The Put Your Town on the Map competition aims to reward innovative ideas that attract visitors to downtowns, focus on housing, education or employment, create community pride and more. Community leaders can learn more and apply at <http://cedamichigan.org/rpm/conference-rpm>.

The Consumers Energy Foundation is the charitable arm of Consumers Energy, Michigan's largest energy provider. The Foundation enables communities to thrive and grow by investing in what's most important to Michigan — its people, our planet and Michigan's prosperity. In 2021, the Consumers Energy Foundation, Consumers Energy, its employees and retirees contributed over \$17.5 million to Michigan nonprofits. For more information, visit [www.ConsumersEnergy.com/foundation](http://www.ConsumersEnergy.com/foundation).

Consumers Energy, Michigan's largest energy provider, is the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy (NYSE: CMS), providing natural gas and/or electricity to 6.8 million of the state's 10 million residents in all 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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***Check out Consumers Energy on Social Media***





# Put Your Town On The Map



## Consumers Energy Foundation Pitch Competition

The Consumers Energy Foundation is offering grant opportunities to help put your community on the map. We are seeking innovative ideas that will energize your town and create momentum that builds a stronger sense of community. If you are selected, you will be invited to submit a video or PowerPoint to be presented to a panel of judges during the Small Town & Rural Development Conference. The top three presentations will be awarded one of three grants:

 **First Place:**  
\$25,000

 **Second Place:**  
\$15,000

 **Third Place:**  
\$10,000

### Sample Topics to Put Your Community on the Map

- Downtowns – store vacancies, attracting visitors, housing, etc.
- Social – housing, education, employment, etc.
- Placemaking
- Tourism
- Youth community engagement
- Community pride
- Unifying or strengthening the community
- Business acceleration, retention, attraction

### How to Submit Your Idea

Visit <http://cedamichigan.org/rpm/conference-rpm>, complete the online form and click submit.

Grant winners will be selected and announced at the Small Town and Rural Development Conference. Funds will be presented to winning communities at a scheduled time following the conference.

For more info, contact [hunter@cedamichigan.org](mailto:hunter@cedamichigan.org)

### Who is Eligible?

- Rural municipalities with a population up to 10,000
- Candidates must be a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization or municipality
- This competition is community-focused; no individuals, businesses, corporations or LLCs
- Idea presented must be conceptual or in the startup phase; previously attempted projects not allowed
- The project must impact a territory that is served by Consumers Energy;
- One submission per community/municipality

### Pitch Competition Schedule

- **March 18:** Submissions due to CEDAM by 11:59 p.m.
- **April 4:** Finalists selected and notified
- **May 6:** Videos or PowerPoint presentations due to CEDAM
- **May 18:** Pitch presentation shared at conference

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## Afflicted Business Relief Grant Program

# New Grant Program to Bolster Relief for Michigan Businesses Impacted by the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

The Michigan Department of Treasury is administering a \$409 million business grant relief program designed to help certain Michigan businesses that have experienced a financial hardship due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Under the Afflicted Business Relief Grant Program, eligible businesses in operation before Oct. 1, 2019, may receive a percentage of their loss in total state sales through a grant. Eligible businesses that began operating between Oct. 1, 2019, and June 1, 2020, may receive a grant equal to 25% of certain specified costs.

Depending upon the number of businesses that apply, the grants may be prorated to ensure that all eligible businesses can receive funding.

The application will become available at 8 a.m. EST on Tuesday, March 1, at [www.michigan.gov/abr](http://www.michigan.gov/abr).

Eligible businesses applying for a grant will be required to include tax and other financial information and documentation to support their claims.

Businesses must submit a completed online application to the state Treasury Department no later than 11:59 p.m. EST Thursday, March 31. Grant awardees will be notified in the spring and grant awards will be distributed by July 1, 2022.

Businesses interested in applying are encouraged to attend one of the following informational webinars hosted by the state Treasury Department:

- **Thursday, Feb. 17** at 9-10 a.m. EST
- **Tuesday, Feb. 22** at 10-11 a.m. EST
- **Monday, March 7** at 1-2 p.m. EST

Details for signing up for a webinar can be found on the [grant program's website](#).

**To learn more about the Afflicted Business Relief Grant Program or [read frequently asked questions](#), go to [www.michigan.gov/abr](http://www.michigan.gov/abr).** Individuals with questions about this grant program should email [Treas-abr@michigan.gov](mailto:Treas-abr@michigan.gov).

February 3, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Julie Matuszak, David Kennard, and Duane Weber; Acting County Highway Engineer Brent Dankert (via telephone), Operations Engineer Will Green, Superintendent/Operations Manager Jason Root, and Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the January 20, 2022 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Weber that the minutes of the January 20, 2022 closed session of the Board be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$125,411.36 and bills in the amount of \$242,294.80 covered by vouchers #2022-06 and #2022-07 were presented and audited.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber that the payroll and bills be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

None.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Weber that the bids for the Non-Motorized Pathway and HMA Overlay Project along Bray Road from Ormes Road to Van Cleve Road taken and accepted at the January 20, 2022 regular meeting of the Board be awarded to the low bidder, DCC Construction, Inc. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed the 2021 Fixed Object and Tree Removal Safety Grant Project. Mr. Tim Ames was in attendance, and requested that the trees scheduled to be removed on his property on Millington Road be delayed until later during the project. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the trees scheduled to be removed at 5085 Millington Road be delayed until the end of March 2022, all in accordance with the 2021 Fixed Object and Tree Removal Safety Grant Project. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 8:15 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2022 Chip Seals:

| <u>Bidder</u>           | <u>Single<br/>Chip Seal</u> | <u>Double<br/>Chip Seal</u> | <u>Prime &amp;<br/>Double<br/>Chip Seal</u> | <u>PASS<br/>Seal</u> | <u>Raised<br/>Pavement<br/>Markers</u> | <u>Fog<br/>Seal</u> | <u>Bar<br/>Seal</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Pavement Maint. Systems | 1.84/syd.                   | 3.74/syd.                   | 4.18/syd.                                   | 2.18/syd.            | 1.50/ea.                               | .39/syd             | 2.35/syd            |
| Fahrner Asphalt Sealers | 1.85/syd.                   | 3.65/syd.                   | 4.10/syd.                                   | 2.28/syd.            | 1.00/ea.                               | .35/syd             | 1.96/syd            |
| Highway Maint. & Const. | 2.08/syd.                   | 4.13/syd.                   | 4.57/syd.                                   | 2.35/syd.            | 1.50/ea.                               | .41/syd             | 2.08/syd            |

Motion by Weber seconded by Kennard that the bids for 2022 Chip Seals be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 8:30 A.M. the following bids were opened for HMA Crushing, Shaping, and Stabilization:

|   | <u>Pavement Recycling Inc.</u> |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Local Road HMA Base Crushing, Shaping, and Compaction   | 1.15/sq. yd.                   |
| Primary Road HMA Base Crushing, Shaping, and Compaction | 1.15/sq. yd.                   |
| Water   | 25.00/ea.                      |
| Dust Palliative   | 250.00/ton                     |
| Bituminous Material Fog Coat                            | 3.00/gallon                    |
| 1" Additional Crushing and Shaping                      | 0.12/sq. yd.                   |
| Asphalt Cement Stabilized Base Course                   | 1.59/sq. yd.                   |
| Asphalt Cement Binder                                   | 3.32/gallon                    |
| FDR Portland Cement                                     | 225.00/ton                     |
| FDR Base Material Mix Design                            | 5,000.00 lump sum              |
| FDR Portland Cement Stabilized Base Course              | 4.50/sq. yd.                   |

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Kennard that the bids for HMA Crushing, Shaping, and Stabilization be accepted and awarded to Pavement Recycling, Inc. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert was excused from the meeting at 8:35 A.M.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to approve that Barry Bremer fill the vacant Light Equipment Operator position at the Akron Division effective February 7, 2022, as recommended by Management. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Management presented to the Board a list of road and bridge projects eligible for additional State Funding.

At 8:45 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2022 Hot Mixed Asphalt Machine Patches:

|                                       | <u>Astec<br/>Asphalt</u> | <u>Mr. Asphalt</u> | <u>Pavement<br/>Recycling, Inc.</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Local Road Machine Patch 0-5 Tons     | 390.00/ton               | 380.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Local Road Machine Patch 6-10 Tons    | 330.00/ton               | 290.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Local Road Machine Patch 11-50 Tons   | 170.00/ton               | 220.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Local Road Machine Patch 50+ Tons     | 155.00/ton               | 165.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Local Road Skip Patching 50+ Tons     | 148.00/ton               | 245.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Local Road Skip Patching 0-50 Tons    | 155.00/ton               | 165.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Machine Patch 0-5 Tons   | 450.00/ton               | 450.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Machine Patch 6-10 Tons  | 350.00/ton               | 320.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Machine Patch 11-50 Tons | 175.00/ton               | 260.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Machine Patch 50+ Tons   | 160.00/ton               | 195.00/ton         | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Skip Patching 50+ Tons   | 150.00/ton               | no bid             | no bid                              |
| Primary Road Skip Patching 0-50 Tons  | 158.00/ton               | no bid             | no bid                              |
| Butt Joint                            | 900.00/ea.               | 50.00/ea.          | no bid                              |
| HMA Surface Removal                   | 25.00/sqyd.              | 50.00/sqyd.        | no bid                              |
| Cold Milling ½ Day (lump sum)         | 3,200.00                 | 3,450.00           | 3,000.00                            |
| Cold Milling Whole Day (lump sum)     | 4,900.00                 | 5,950.00           | 5,000.00                            |

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for 2022 Hot Mixed Asphalt Machine Patches be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed the Covid-19 Pandemic and the current Road Commission operating procedures. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey presented to the Board the Road Commission’s adopted Covid-19 Safety Protocols, as recommended by the Road Commission’s Labor Attorney.

At 9:00 A.M. the following bids were opened for Professional Engineering and Bridge Design Services for the following locations (Structure No. 10472 Akron Road and Structure No. 10608 Garner Road):

| <u>Bidder</u>         | <u>Project Total</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| R.S. Scott Associates | 120,000.00           |
| Spicer Group          | 110,600.00           |

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for Professional Engineering and Bridge Design Services for the following locations (Structure No. 10472 Akron Road and Structure No. 10608 Garner Road) be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 9:00 A.M. the following bids were opened for Professional Engineering and Bridge Design Services for the following location (Structure No. 10627 Clothier Road):

| <u>Bidder</u>    | <u>Project Total</u> |
|------------------|----------------------|
| No Bids Received | N/A                  |

At 9:00 A.M. the following bids were opened for Professional Engineering and Bridge Design Services for the following locations (Structure No. 10630 Barnes Road, Structure No. 10631 Barnes Road, and Structure No. 10632 Barnes Road):

| <u>Bidder</u>         | <u>Project Total</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| R.S. Scott Associates | 210,000.00           |
| Spicer Group          | 144,000.00           |

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber that the bids for Professional Engineering and Bridge Design Services for the following locations (Structure No. 10630 Barnes Road, Structure No. 10631 Barnes Road, and Structure No. 10632 Barnes Road) be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Operations Engineer Will Green provided to the Board an update regarding the upcoming Fiber Network Projects throughout Tuscola County. Management will be meeting with Thumb Electric, along with the Huron County Road Commission and the Sanilac County Road Commission, next week.

Superintendent/Operations Manager Jason Root provided a report to the Board regarding winter maintenance with yesterday's snow storm.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 A.M. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

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Chairman

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Secretary-Clerk of the Board

# Pruning Workshop 2022

## Fruit Tree Pruning Workshop

Presented by Bob Tritten, MSU Extension

Sponsored by Tuscola Conservation District

**Wednesday, March 16, 2022**

Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center 3775 S. Reese Rd Frankenmuth 48734

8:30 Welcome, Pick up Handouts, Coffee, Donuts and Light Refreshments

8:40 Presentation by Saginaw Bay Region CISMA coordinator, Gadi Krasner, about invasive species to be watching for on your property and what resources are available to landowners for monitoring, control and eradication programs

9:00 Pruning basics on apples and stone fruits old and new, from a back yard homeowner grower perspective as well as how to work with fruit trees in a small to medium sized orchard.

10:30 Fruit tree pest control including how to protect from deer and small animals, Tips on spraying your fruit trees safely and economically, frost and winter kill issues.

11:00 to 11:15 break

11:15 Books on pruning, Tools for pruning and Pruning Demonstration outside, weather permitting.

12:00 Conclusion of Program, Q and A time

Tree order forms will be available from the Tuscola Conservation District

There is no charge for the workshop and a pruning handout packet will be provided to first time workshop attendees

Michigan State University Facilities are under Covid protocols and masks are currently required indoors. Please bring a mask with you to wear. Masks and hand sanitizer will also be made available

**Please call Tuscola Conservation District at 989-673-8174 ext. 3 as soon as possible to register. Registration is requested by Monday, March 14th at 4pm. You can also register by email at [mike.boike@mi.nacdnet.net](mailto:mike.boike@mi.nacdnet.net)**

# Legislative Update 2-11-22

WRITTEN BY [DEREK MELOT](#) ON FEBRUARY 11, 2022. POSTED IN [BLOG](#), [EVENTS](#), [LEGISLATIVE](#), [MAC NEWS](#), [MACSC](#), [MARKETING](#), [NACO](#)

## Governor proposes increase in County Revenue Sharing

State Budget Director Chris Harkins presented Governor Whitmer's FY 2023 budget recommendations to the legislature this week. The \$74 billion budget represents a 6 percent increase over the current 2021-22 fiscal year and includes historic one-time funding and ongoing funding for state departments and local governments.



County and local governments would get a 10% revenue sharing increase under the proposal- a 5 percent increase in statutory revenue sharing that would be built into the base and 5 percent one-time increase. An additional \$376,000 would be provided for county revenue sharing and the County Incentive Program. These funds would be split between Emmet County, the last county to re-enter the state revenue sharing program, and Leelanau County which returned during the 2022 fiscal year.

Other recommendations include:

- \$578M in new federal funding for roads, bridges, airports, local and intercity transit, and rail
  - \$377.8M would fund road and bridge construction
  - \$283.4M for state roads and bridges
  - \$94.4M for local roads and bridges
- \$500M in Water infrastructure improvements to support lead service line replacements, consolidation of failing septic systems, and contamination risk reduction
- \$325M in one-time funds to design and construct a new psychiatric hospital campus that would ultimately replace the state-operated beds at Hawthorn Center and the Walter P. Reuther State Hospital
- \$175M Judicial case management to create a single statewide case management system that aligns with the Trial Court Funding Commission's recommendations
- \$148.9M for Michigan Indigent Defense Commission grants to local funding units for complying with MIDC standards
- \$15M for the Jail Diversion Fund which provides grants to local entities to establish and expand jail diversion programs
- \$5M for a prosecutorial diversion program affording eligible pretrial defendants an opportunity to obtain and maintain gainful, full-time employment with an eligible employer for a year
- \$4.2M for the county veteran service fund

Additionally, the Governor proposed a \$51.8 million deposit to the Budget Stabilization Fund, which would bring the rainy-day fund balance to nearly \$1.5 billion.

The full executive budget recommendations can be found [here](#).

























