



ROLLING MEADOWS ESTATES DRAINAGE STUDY

Governance & Priorities Committee

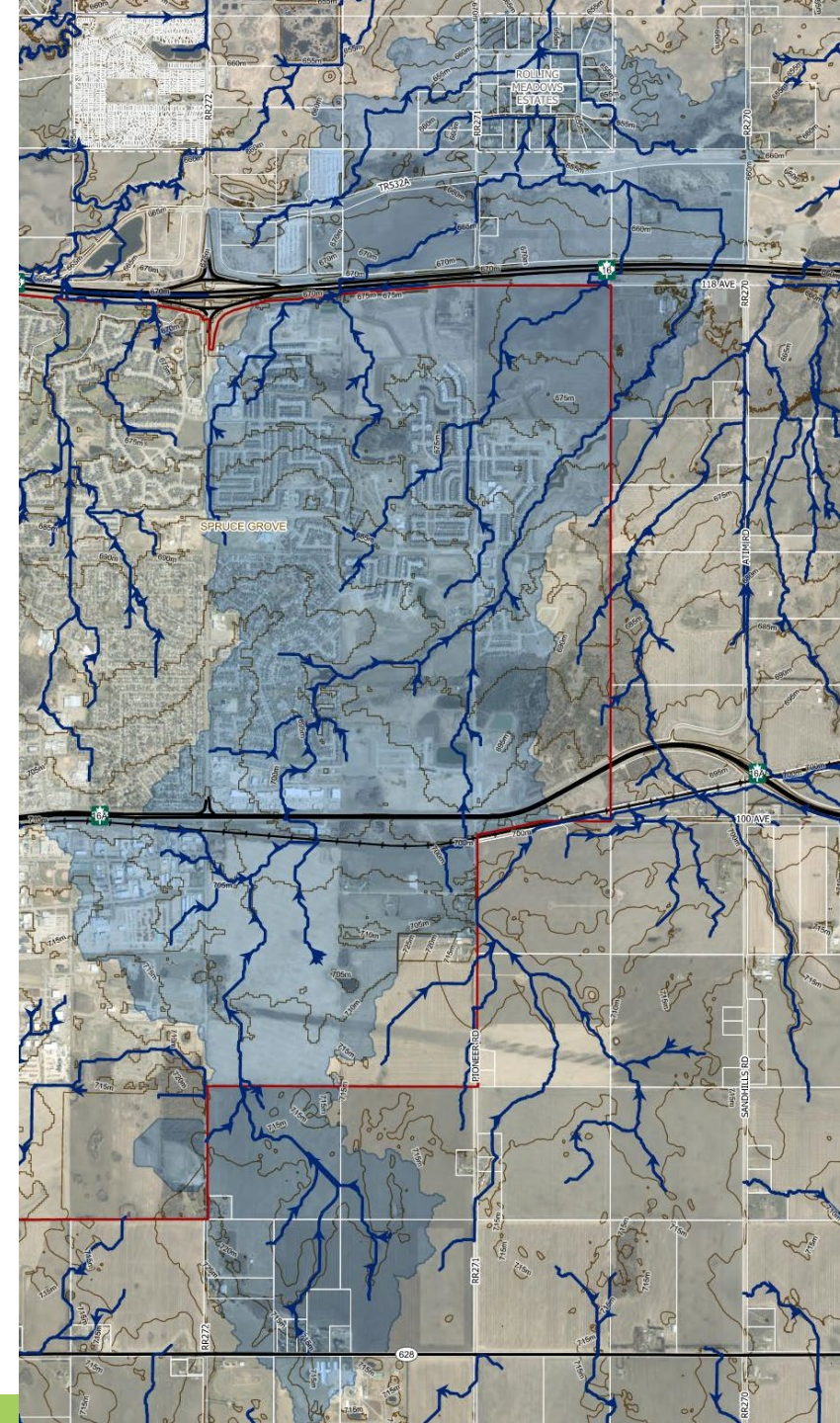
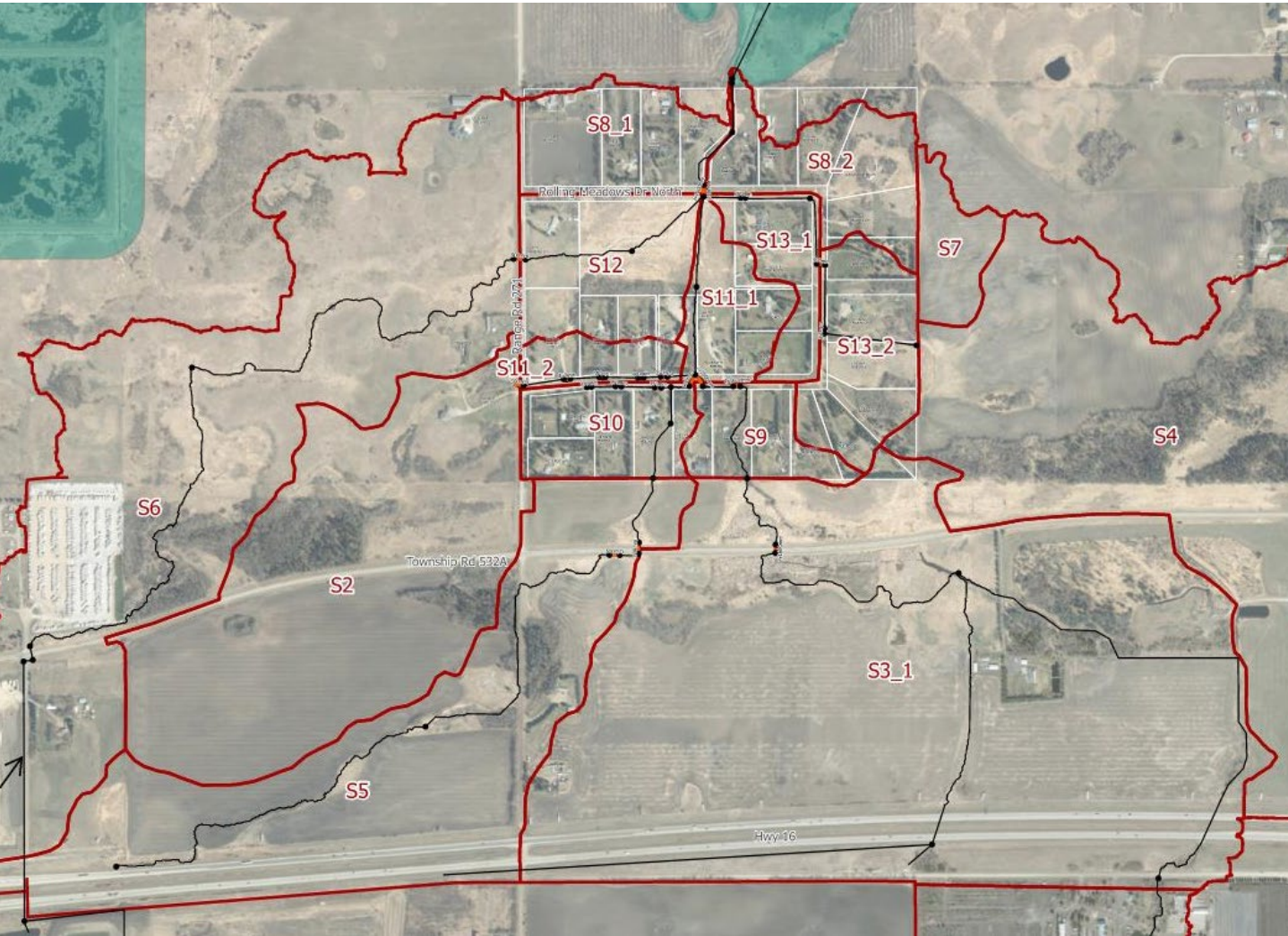
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Overview of Study

- Existing Topography and Drainage
- Rolling Meadows Estates Development
- Reported Flooding Issues
- November 2024 Open House
- Hydraulic Analysis
- Assessment
- Flood Mitigation Options
- Cost Estimates
- Implementation



Existing Topography and Drainage



Development of Rolling Meadows Estates



Reported Flooding Issues

- Reviewed historic flooding complaints from 2017 to 2022
 - Excessive runoff from south
 - Partially plugged culverts
 - Frozen culverts
 - Flooding of private lots



November 2024 Open House

Summary of Open House Questionnaire Responses

Item	Resident's Responses
Flooding Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spring runoff and heavy rainfall• Water ponding on lot for extended time• Ditches not draining
Impacts on Residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tree and grass loss• Septic field damage• Land settlement• Damage to home• Damage to driveway
Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of ditch maintenance• Ditches not adequate• Increased runoff from Spruce Grove• Frozen culverts not thawed in time• Farmer installed crossing to north• Saturated ground

Hydraulic Analysis

- Atim Creek Tailwater Analysis
 - 1:100 year Big Lake High Water Level (HWL) 653.29 m
 - Estimated Atim Creek tailwater level
- Hydraulic Modeling
 - Farm crossing raises HWL by ~ 0.3 m
 - Large diameter culverts appear to be adequate
 - Off-site flows from southeast drain through Lot 12 uncontrolled
 - Off-site flows from southwest high for Lot 21 to 24 driveway culverts
 - Good correlation between modeling results and historic complaints



Hydraulic Analysis



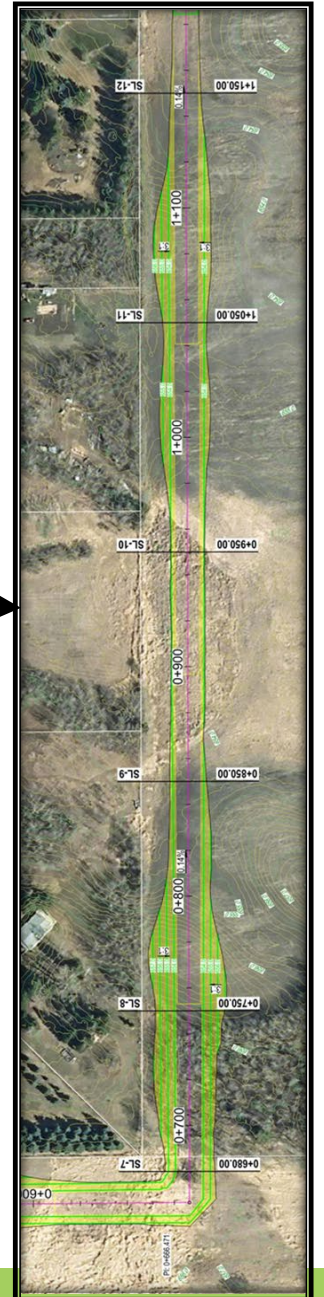
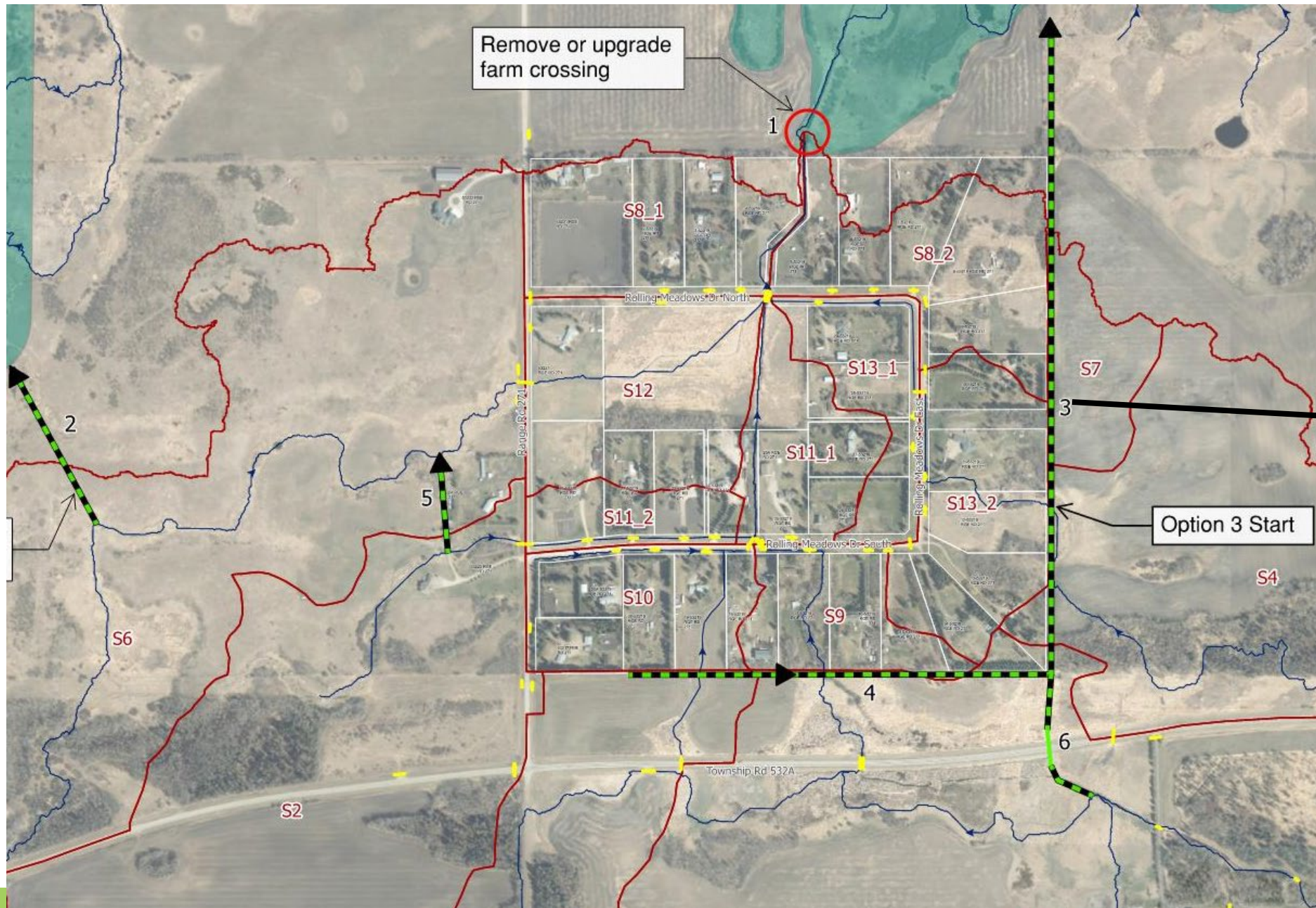
Assessment:

Factors influencing Flooding

- Elevation of Rolling Meadows relative to Atim Creek floodplain
- Location of Rolling Meadows within historic watercourses and wetlands
- Farm crossing
- High groundwater levels
- Local drainage system not designed for off-site flows
- Development of Spruce Grove



Flood Mitigation Options – Off-site



Flood Mitigation Options – On-site

- Culvert upgrades (#7-10, 13-14, 16-17)
- Ditch upgrades (#15)
- Swale (#11)



Cost Estimates – Recommended Upgrading

- Farm crossing
 - Remove farm crossing \$20,000
 - Upgrade farm crossing \$100,000 (order of magnitude)
- All on-site upgrading \$360,000
 - Culverts \$310,000
 - Ditch \$20,000
 - Swale \$30,000
- Total Cost \$380,000
 - (based on removal of farm crossing)

Implementation Strategy

- Short term
 - Remove or upgrade farm crossing
 - On-site upgrades
 - Desktop hydrogeological study
- Medium term
 - Monitor surface water levels
 - Subject to monitoring results, consider additional ways to minimize impacts of large rainfall / spring runoff events
 - Consider hydrogeological study
 - Work with Spruce Grove to understand future stormwater discharges
- Long term
 - If necessary, revisit need for south and east diversion ditches

Questions?