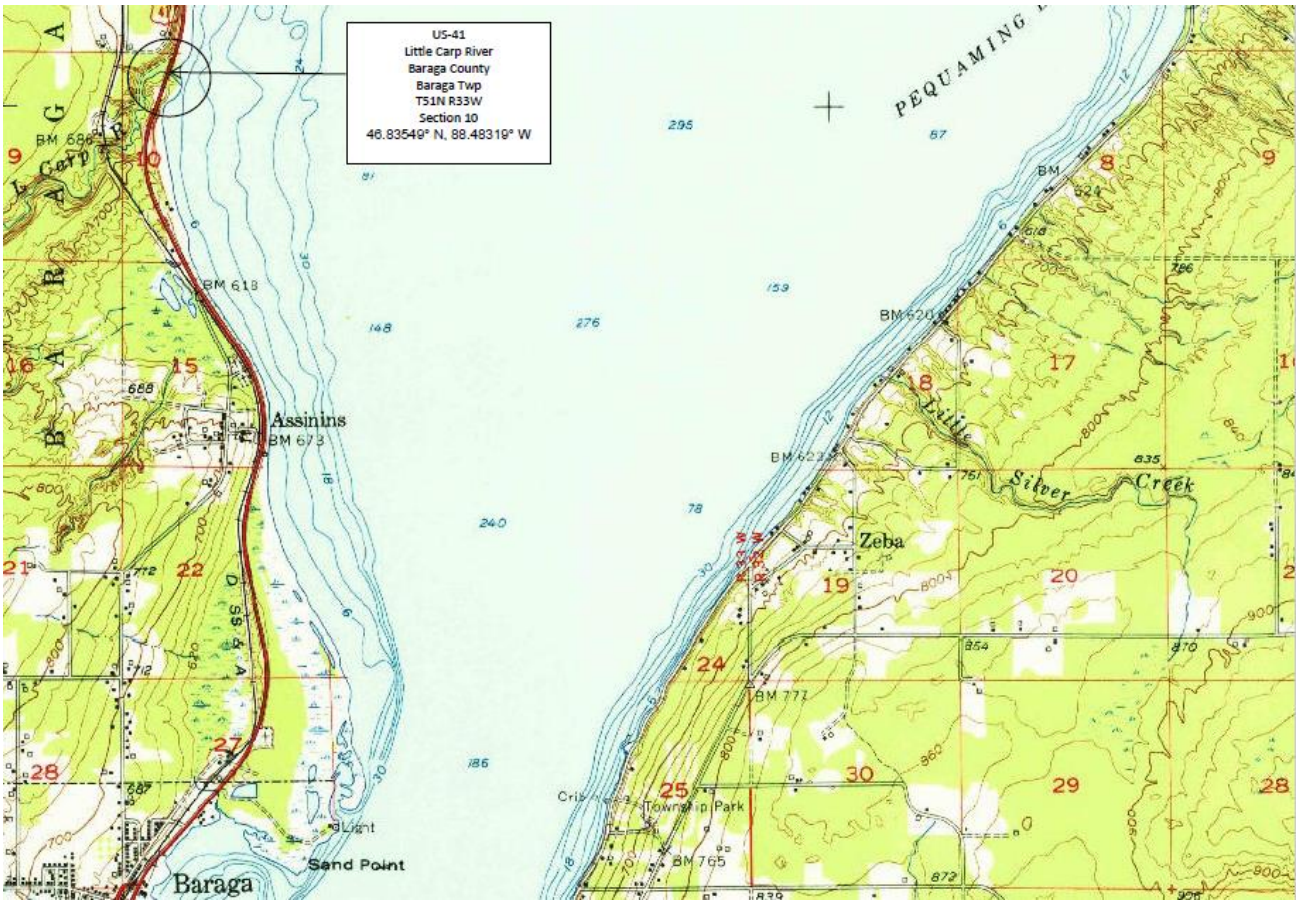
PUBLIC NOTICE

Clean Water Act, Section 401 Certification

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is anticipating to complete a culvert repair and erosion prevention project located on US-41 at Little Carp River. The existing culvert wingwalls are in need of repair to prevent further degradation. The repair will include adding a layer of concrete to resurface the current wingwalls. MDOT also plans to add riprap to repair significant erosion on the road slope. In addition, riprap will be added near the culvert to help prevent erosion and scouring to keep the culvert operating safely. In order for this project to be completed MDOT must excavate the original riprap and soil. The US Army Corps of Engineers is evaluating this project under the Nationwide Permit 3-Maintenace.

In accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is evaluating the submitted materials to determine if there is a reasonable assurance- with conditions attached- that the activities associated with the Army Corps of Engineers' verification of the Nationwide Permit will be consistent with relevant water quality considerations.

The Tribe seeks comments on CWA Section 401 Certification of the Army Corps' verification for this project. All comments are considered during the project review. The 30-day public comment period ends on March 1st, 2026.



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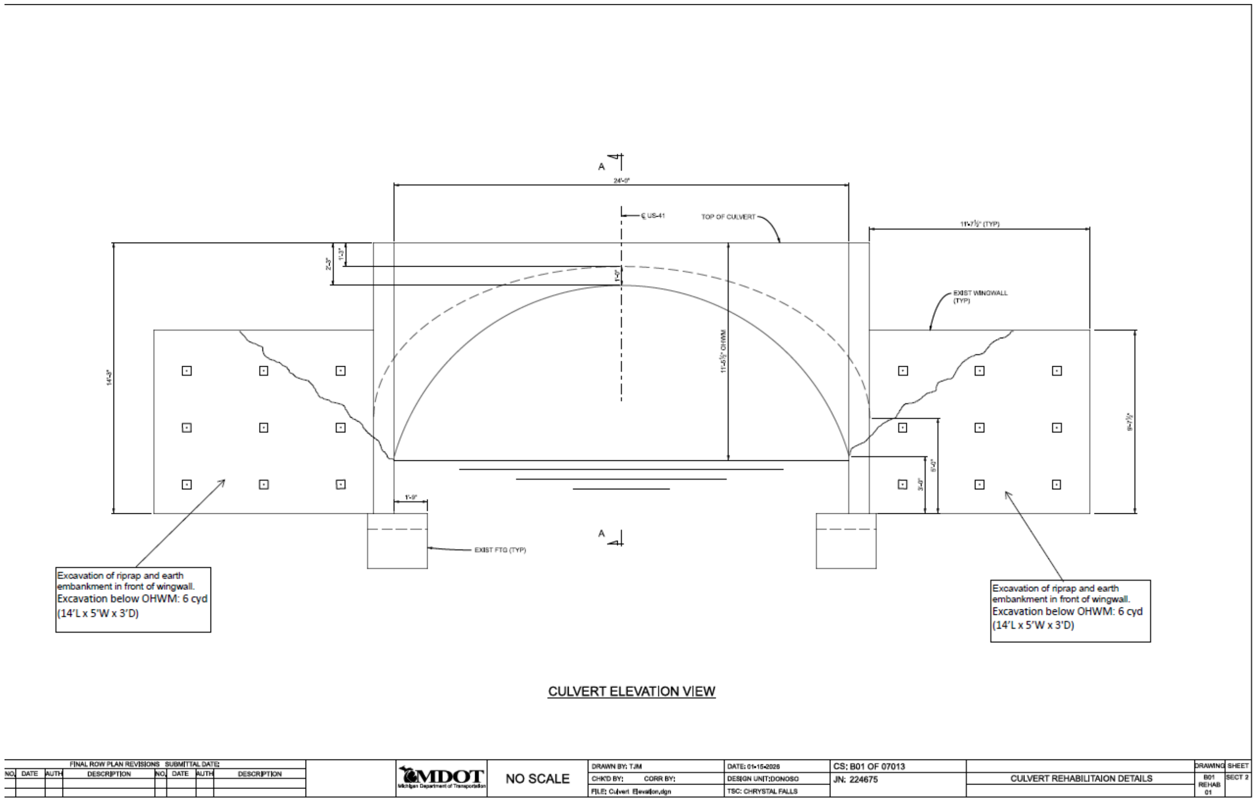

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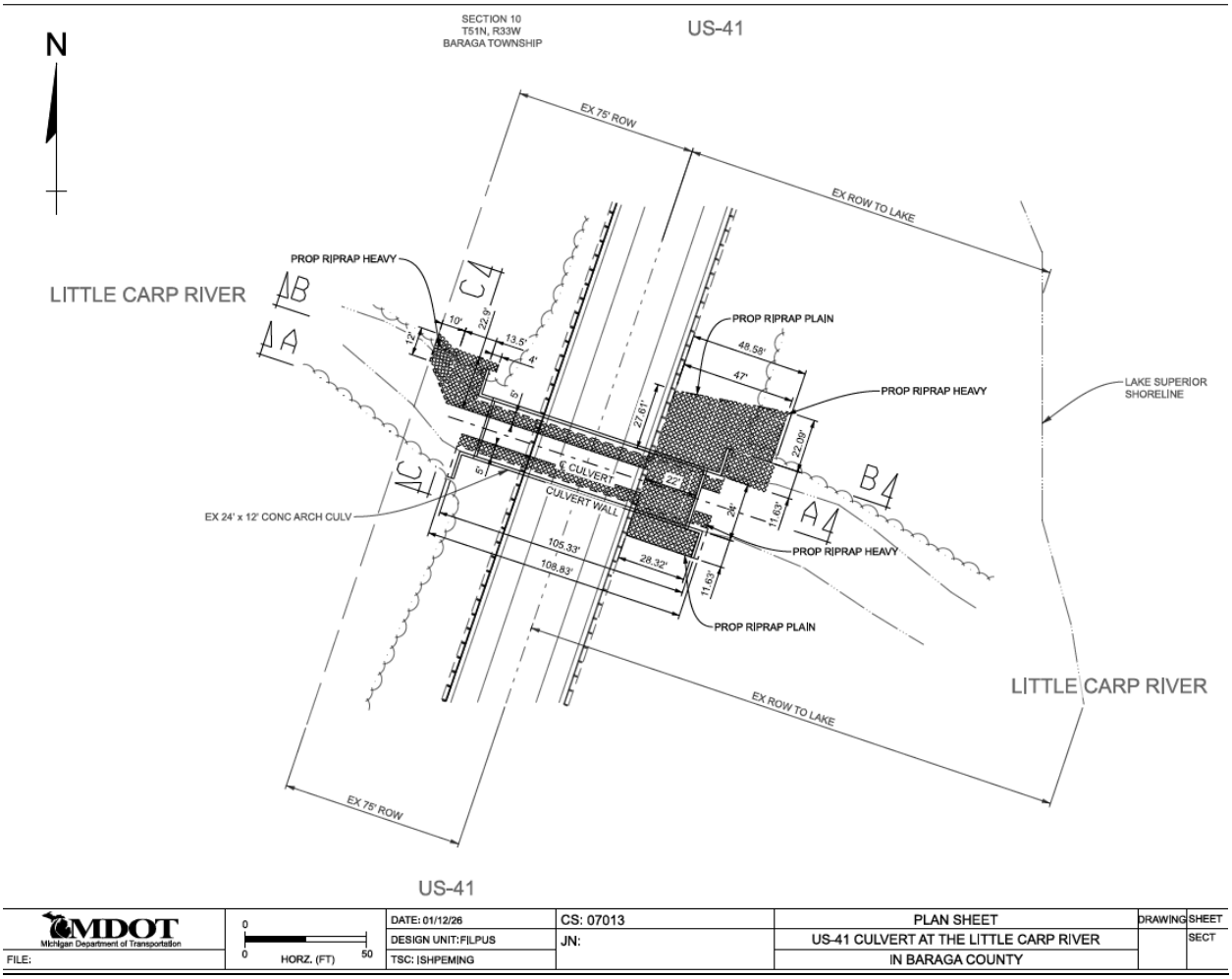

Project Summary

The proposed project will repair an existing culvert by adding an additional layer of concreate to the wingwalls. The project will also be adding riprap to repair significant erosion of the road slope.

Project Details

Site Access: They will be accessing it through US-41.

Implementation: Existing riprap and soil will be excavated, sand bag cofferdams will be placed, and repairs will commence. No mitigation will be required as it is only removing and replacing existing infrastructure.

No discharges should result from this.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Water Quality Specialist at (906)524-5757 ext. 4220. Written comments may be emailed or sent by US Mail to:

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Comment deadline is March 1, 2026

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