



State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

Drinking Water, Clean Water, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

RAMSEY WATER COMPANY
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1
SRF Project DW 25 35 31 01

Date: October 28, 2026

Pursuant to IC 5-1.2-3, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in the Ramsey Water Company's Preliminary Engineering Report will have no substantial negative environmental impact. Therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion (CE) from the requirements of substantive environmental review.

How were environmental issues considered?

The National Environmental Policy Act requires agencies disbursing Federal funds to include environmental factors in the decision-making process. A summary of the project is attached for your review. The SRF's preliminary review has found that the proposed project does not require the preparation of either an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement.

Why is additional environmental review not required?

Our environmental review has concluded that significant environmental impacts will not result from the proposed action. In the absence of significant comments, the attached CE shall serve as the final environmental document.

How do I submit comments?

Comments can be submitted to:

State Revolving Fund
100 N. Senate Ave., IGCN 1275
Indianapolis, IN 46204
publiccomments@ifa.in.gov

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: Distribution System Improvements – Phase 1
Ramsey Water Company
PO Box 245
Ramsey, IN 47166

SRF Project Number: **DW 25 35 31 01**

Authorized Representative: Karl Benz, Board President

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project is located in Crawford County, Harrison Township, Ramsey 24k USGS Quadrangle, T4S, R2E, Secs 1-6; T4S, R3E, Secs 1,2,4,5,8,9; Harrison County, Harrison Township, Ramsey 24k USGS Quadrangle, T3S, R2E and R 3E, Secs 25, 26, 33-36. See **Figures 6, 6-1 A-D, 6-2 A-D.**

III. PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

There is currently a critically high failure rate for the main responsible for delivering flow from the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and Pittmann ground storage tank (GST). The main does not allow the WTP to operate at its rated capacity of 2,400 gpm. Currently, the main can only support a WTP high service pump flow-rate of approximately 1,600 gpm.

Phase 1 would include the replacement of the existing 16-inch main from the WTP eastward to the O'Bannon Woods State Park campground, approximately 2.8 miles in total. This replacement includes approximately 13,000 LF of 30-inch diameter water main with associated appurtenances and connections, with the intent to reinforce an existing 16-inch diameter water main that is prone to leaks and breaks, ensuring reliability, redundancy, and quality of drinking water. The proposed Phase 1 project also includes replacing existing meter vaults in the Town of Leavenworth and Town of Corydon meter pits and installing a new meter vault pit at New South Harrison Water Corporation.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY, AND FUNDING

The total cost of this project is estimated to be approximately \$11,807,500. The Ramsey Water Company intends to finance the project with a loan from the Drinking Water SRF Loan Program for a term and annual fixed interest rate to be determined at loan closing. Monthly user rates and charges may need to be analyzed to determine if adjustments are required for loan repayment.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

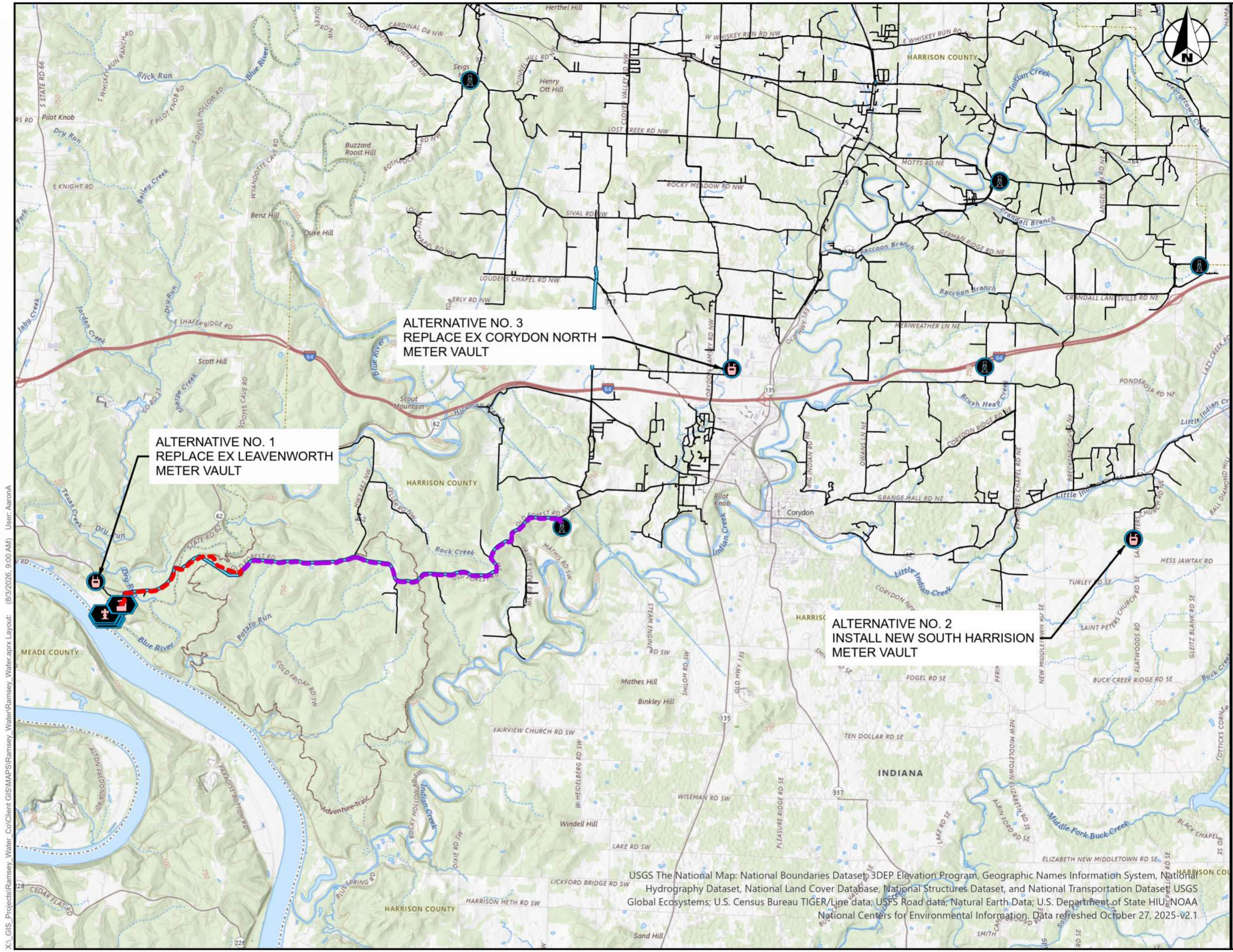
The environmental impacts will be minimal. Project activities will take place in areas previously disturbed by existing utilities. The proposed project will not affect streams, floodplains, wetlands, wooded areas, or other sensitive environmental resources and will not convert prime farmland.

The estimated land disturbance for the Phase 1 proposed 30” transmission water main is 2.02 acres outside of existing roadways. The estimated land disturbance for Alternative No. 2 South Harrison Meter Vault installation is 0.001 acres. The replacement meter vaults have already been previously disturbed and are not expected to cause land disturbance.

Construction and operation of the project will not alter, demolish or remove historic properties. If any visual or audible impacts to historic properties occur, they will be temporary and will not alter the characteristics that qualify such properties for inclusion in or eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. The SRF’s finding pursuant to Section 106 of the National Preservation Act is: “no historic properties affected.”

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A properly noticed public hearing was held on April 21, 2025, at 7 pm at the Ramsey Water Company, Inc office located at 415 Highway 64 NW, Ramsey, IN 47166. There were no questions on this project during the hearing. No written comments were received in the 5-day period following the hearing for this project.



- Legend**
- Proposed 30" DI Transmission Main (Phase 1)
 - Proposed 30" DI Transmission Main (Phase 2)
 - Meter Station
 - Production Well
 - Treatment Plant
 - Water Storage Structure
 - Existing Water Transmission Main
 - Existing Water Main



FIGURE 6
OVERVIEW MAP

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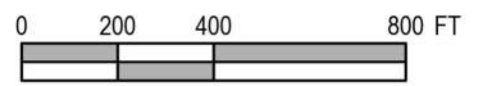


FIGURE 6-1B
AERIAL MAP
ALT NO. 1 - LEAVENWORTH METER VAULT

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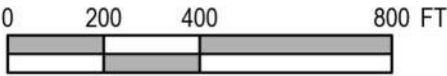


FIGURE 6-1C
AERIAL MAP
ALT NO. 2 - SOUTH HARRISON
METER VAULT

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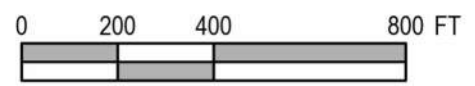
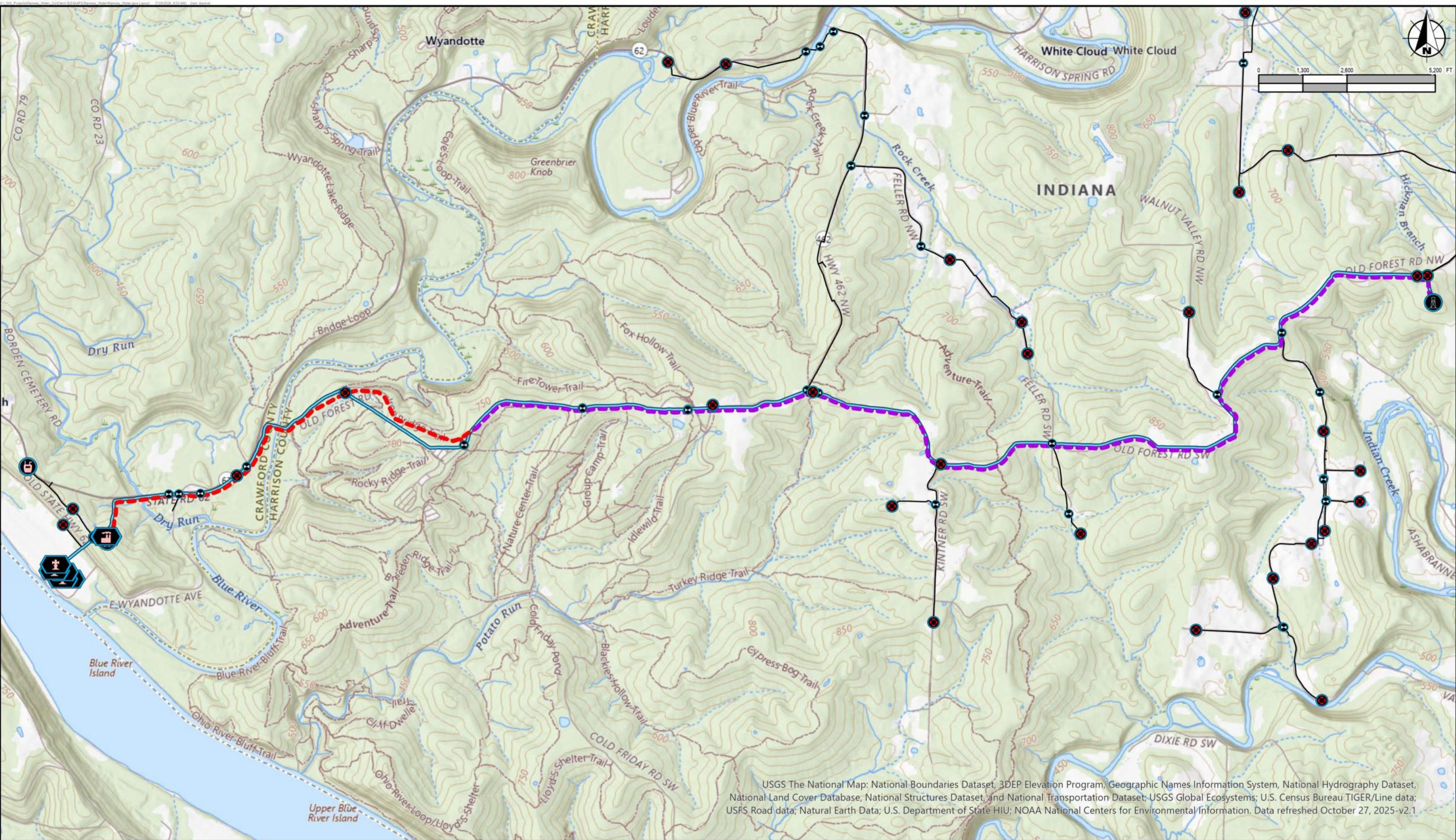


FIGURE 6-1D
AERIAL MAP
ALT NO. 3 - CORYDON NORTH
METER VAULT

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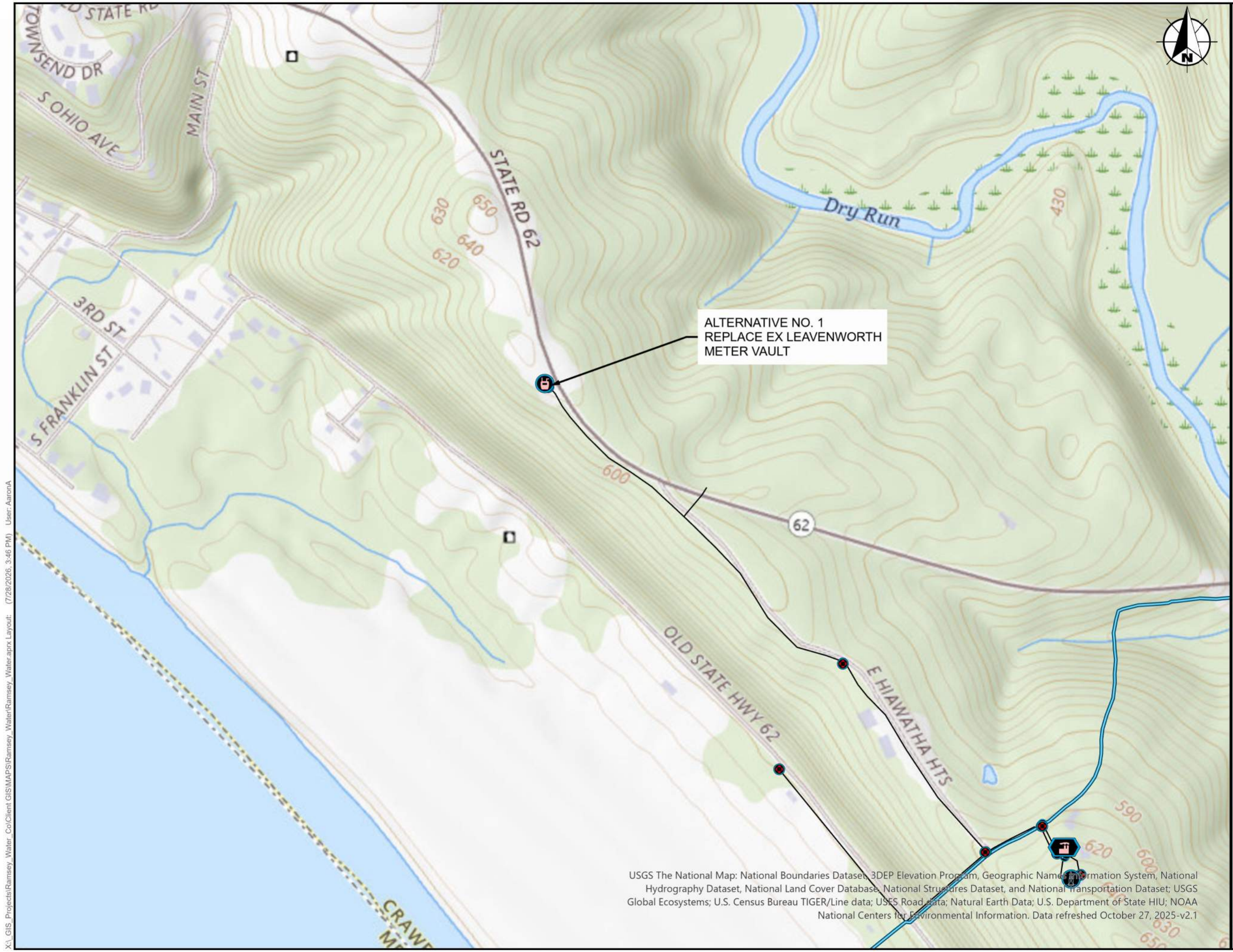
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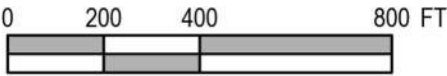


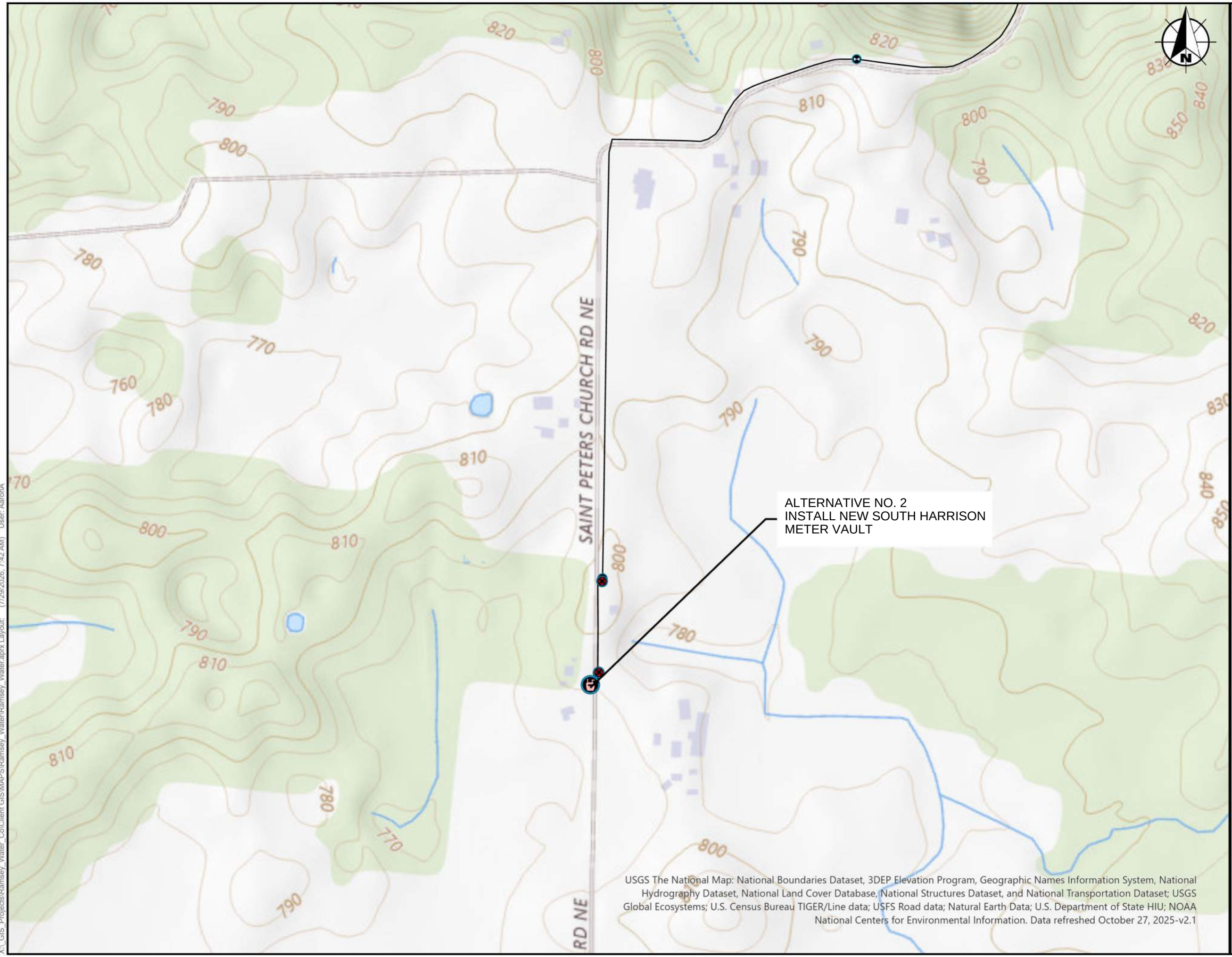
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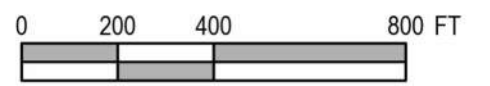


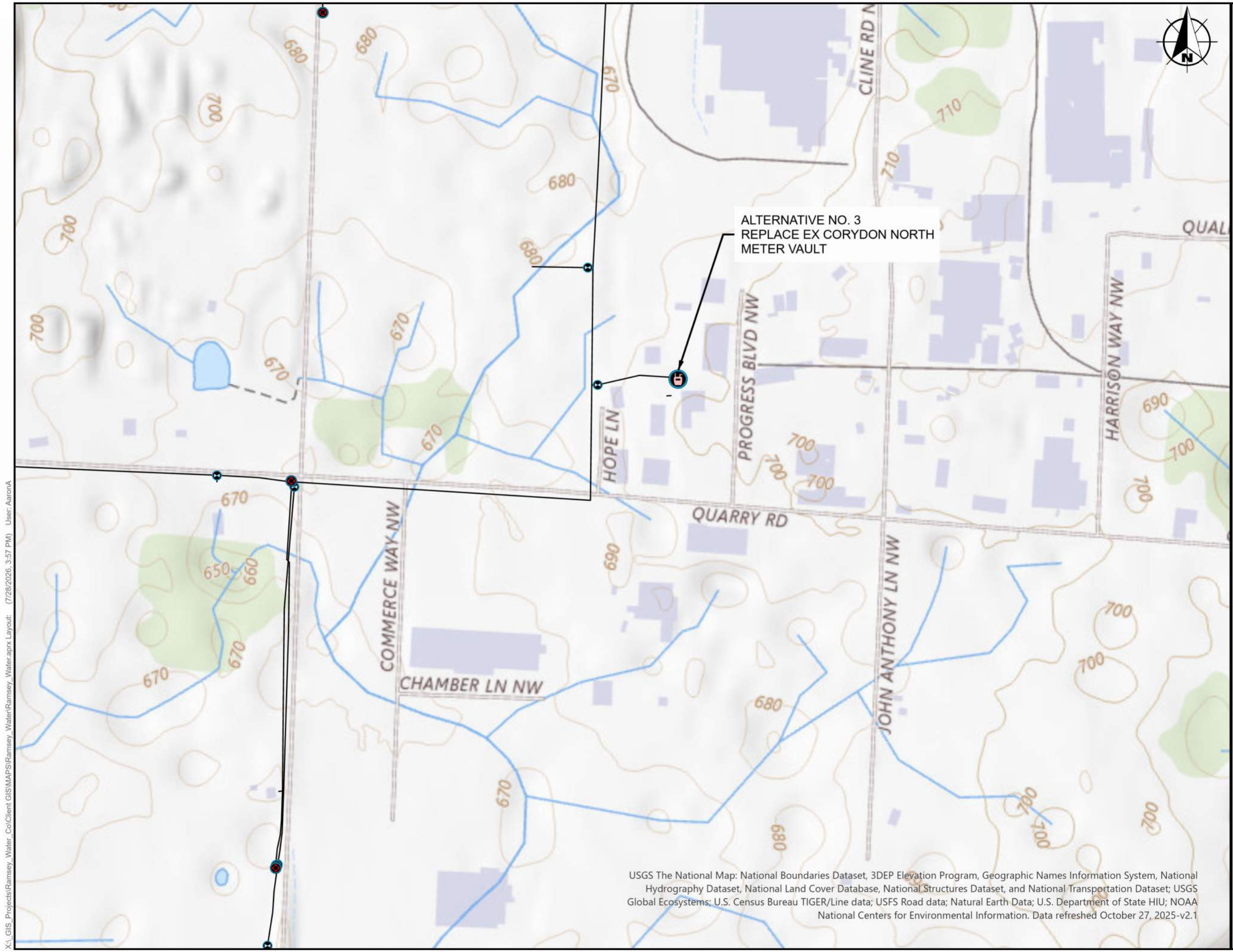
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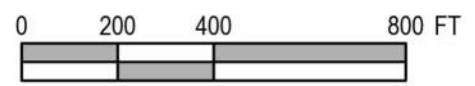


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