PUBLIC NOTICE – REQUEST FOR BIDS

Mills County, Texas is accepting sealed bids for the construction of a low water crossing located on County Road 189 at Pompey Creek in Precinct 3.

The project consists of the removal of an existing failed crossing and construction of an engineered reinforced concrete vented ford crossing, including excavation, subgrade preparation, pipe installation, concrete work, and associated traffic control and signage.

Sealed bids must be submitted to:
Mills County Judge's Office
1011 4th Street
Goldthwaite, Texas 76844

Deadline for submission: May 8, 2026 at 12:00 PM

Bids must be clearly marked:
"CR 189 POMPEY CREEK CROSSING BID – PCT 3"

Bids will be opened during a regular meeting of the Mills County Commissioners Court on May 11, 2026.

Specifications and bid packets may be obtained by contacting:
Dale Partin, Commissioner Precinct 3
Email: dale.partin@millscountytx.gov
Phone: (325) 451-1401 or (325) 648-2222

Mills County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any informalities in the best interest of the County.

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The project includes, but is not limited to, removal of the existing crossing, excavation, installation of storm pipe, reinforced concrete construction, and traffic control measures. The project shall be constructed in accordance with engineered plans and applicable TxDOT standards.

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dale.partin@millscountytx.gov | 325-451-1401 or 325-648-2222

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MILLS COUNTY, TEXAS

REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB)

CR 189 POMPEY CREEK LOW WATER CROSSING

PRECINCT 3 – CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

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Issued By:
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Project Contact:
Dale Partin
Mills County Commissioner – Precinct 3
Email: dale.partin@millscountytx.gov
Phone: 325-451-1401 or 325-648-2222

Bid Title:
CR 189 Pompey Creek Crossing Construction – Engineered Vented Ford

Bid Number:
MC-P3-2026-01

Issue Date: April 13, 2026

Bid Deadline: May 8, 2026 at 12:00 PM

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will replace an existing 12-foot embankment crossing with an engineered reinforced concrete vented ford crossing.

The selected design is based on engineering recommendations and shall be followed.

Completing date of **August 30, 2026** shall be met!

⚠️ The culvert replacement option is not acceptable for bidding.

SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete:

1. DEMOLITION & EXCAVATION

- Remove existing crossing structure
- Excavation of approximately 1,800–1,900 cubic yards
- Lower road profile to flowline

2. SUBGRADE PREPARATION

- Prepare ~6,000 square feet
- Compact to 95% density (TxDOT Item 132)

3. TRENCHING

- Install upstream and downstream cutoff trenches
- Approx. 12 ft wide x 36 inches deep

4. PIPE INSTALLATION

- Install multiple 30”–36” storm pipes
- Approx. 200–310 linear feet
- Prevent flotation per TxDOT standards

5. CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

- 7-inch-thick reinforced slab
- 4,000 PSI concrete
- #4 rebar at 12” centers
- Aprons and cutoff walls included

6. FINISHING

- Broom finish for traction
- 6:1 safety slopes
- Proper drainage slope

7. TRAFFIC CONTROL & SIGNAGE

- Speed limit signage
- Advisory warning signage
- Flood gauges

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES & BID REQUIREMENTS

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

Item	Quantity
Excavation	~1,900 CY
Concrete	~140–165 CY
Pipe	~200–310 LF
Reinforcement Steel	Per design
Signage	1 Lot

Quantities are estimates only. Contractor responsible for verification.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- Contractor must review all plans and specifications
- Site visit is strongly recommended
- Contractor responsible for field verification
- All work must comply with TxDOT standards

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Must follow engineered design
- No substitutions without written approval
- Must provide timeline and completion schedule
- Preferred start date of June 1, 2026 but no later than June 15, 2026.
- Must be completed by August 30, 2026.

BID FORM

BID SUBMISSION FORM

Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

LUMP SUM BID

Total Project Cost:
$ _____

OPTIONAL UNIT PRICING (RECOMMENDED)

Item	Unit Price
Excavation (per CY)	$_____
Concrete (per CY)	$_____
Pipe (per LF)	$_____

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date: _____

Completion Time: _____

REFERENCE (REQUIRED)

List 3 similar projects:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

TERMS & CONDITIONS

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must provide:

- General Liability Insurance
- Auto Liability Insurance
- Workers' Compensation (if applicable)

PAYMENT TERMS

Payment will be made after:

1. Work completed or approved progress
2. Invoice submitted
3. Approved through county claims process
4. W-9 on file

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Contractor shall act as an independent contractor and not an employee of Mills County.

COMPLIANCE

Contractor must comply with:

- Texas Local Government Code
- TxDOT Standards
- OSHA Regulations

LEGAL & SIGNATURES

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MILLS

I certify this bid is not collusive and is submitted independently.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Notary: _____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Vendor must comply with Texas Ethics Commission Form CIQ if applicable.

BIDDER CERTIFICATION

I certify all information is accurate and agree to all terms.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Company: _____

Date: _____

Annette Watson

From: Dale Partin
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2026 9:51 AM
To: Annette Watson
Subject: Fw: DRAFT Specs and Options: CR 189 Pompey Creek Crossing

From: Nick Taylor <nick@sa-dirt.com>
Sent: Monday, March 2, 2026 5:04 PM
To: Dale Partin <dale.partin@millscountytx.gov>
Subject: DRAFT Specs and Options: CR 189 Pompey Creek Crossing

Commissioner Partin,
Please find below two options for the crossing at Pompey Creek. These specs are currently in **DRAFT** form. I have based these preliminary dimensions and quantities on visual inspection and Google Earth topographic data; I reserve the right to adjust all final measurements once a formal survey of existing conditions is completed.

OPTION 1: VENTED FORD (RECOMMENDED DESIGN)
This option involves removing the existing 12-foot high "dam" and replacing it with a 100-foot long reinforced concrete armored crossing.
Contractor Step-by-Step Execution Instructions:

1. **Demolition & Removal:** Excavate and export approximately 1,800 CY of existing road material. Lower the road profile to 3.5' above the flowline.
2. **Subgrade Prep:** Scarify and compact the 6,200 sq. ft. footprint (100' long x 62' wide) to 95% density per **TxDOT Item 132**.
3. **Trenching:** Dig two 12" wide x 36" deep trenches for the upstream and downstream cutoff walls per **TxDOT Standard CRR**.
4. **Pipe Placement:** Install five (5) 30" HDPE barrels, spaced 15" apart. Secure with **TxDOT Item 401 Flowable Backfill** to prevent internal erosion (piping).
5. **Steel Mat:** Install #4 Grade 60 Rebar on 12" centers (both ways). Support on chairs to ensure 3" of bottom clearance.
6. **Concrete Pour:** Pour 7" thick, 4,000 PSI Class S concrete. Integrate the cutoff walls and the 6:1 sloped safety ends in a monolithic or tied pour.
7. **Finishing:** Apply a heavy broom finish for traction. Install **TxDOT Standard FGA** flood gauges and required signage.

OPTION 2: IN-KIND REPLACEMENT (NOT RECOMMENDED)
This option involves simple removal of the failed structure and replacement with a similar-sized culvert while maintaining the existing 12-foot high embankment.
LIABILITY DISCLAIMER: The County proceeds with Option 2 at its own risk. **Simple as Dirt Engineering assumes NO LIABILITY for such an inadequate and undersized design.** This option does not meet standard hydraulic engineering practices for this 18,000-acre watershed and is prone to immediate failure.

1. **Demolition:** Remove existing failed structure per **TxDOT Item 496**.

2. **Trenching:** Trench the 12-foot embankment to the flowline for new pipe placement.
3. **Installation:** Install a single large-diameter culvert per **TxDOT Item 460.**
4. **Backfill:** Replace 12 feet of fill in 6-inch lifts, compacted to 95% density per **TxDOT Item 132.**

PRELIMINARY BID SCHEDULE COMPARISON

Item	Option 1 (Vented Ford)	Option 2 (In-Kind)	Authority
Excavation	1,800 CY (Lowering Profile)	400 CY (Trenching Only)	Per PM Approval
Pipe	310 LF (5 Barrels)	~60 LF (1 Large Barrel)	Or Approved Other
Concrete	165 CY (Armored Slab/Walls)	~25 CY (Headwalls Only)	Or Approved Other
End Treatment	6:1 Safety Slopes	Vertical Headwalls	Or Approved Other
Liability	**Engineered Solution**	**NO ENGINEER LIABILITY**	—

Next Steps:
Once survey data is confirmed, I will finalize these drafts. Please let me know which direction you would like to pursue.

I hope to have survey information complete early next week and we can get this updated.

Best regards,

Nick Taylor P.E.
nick@SA-Dirt.com
(325)456-4005
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June 1
Aug 30

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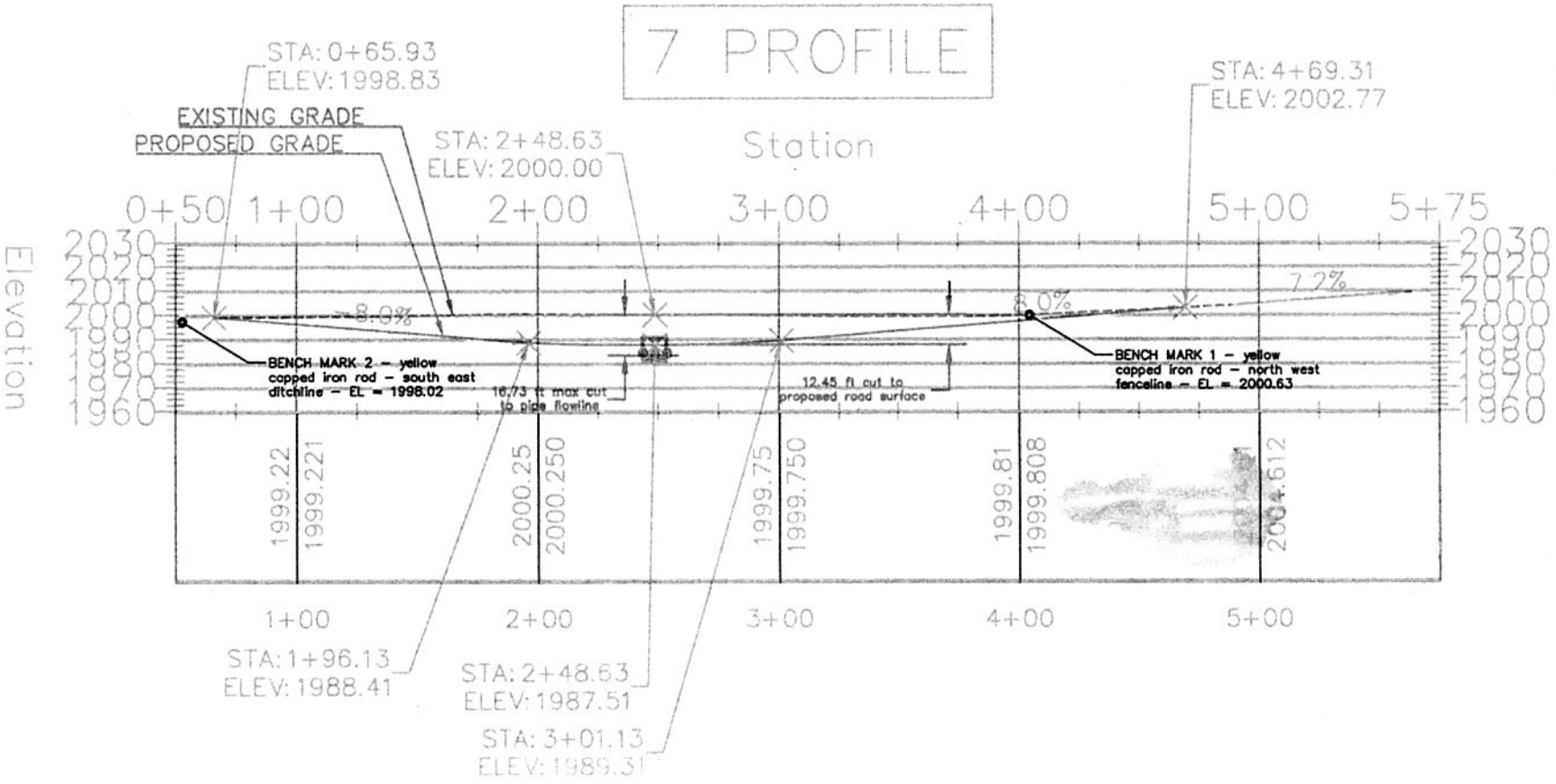

PROFILE OF PROPOSED LOW WATER CROSSING
CR 189 AND POMPEY CREEK
MILLS COUNTY, TEXAS

DATE: 3–16–26
BY: NCT
SCALE: 1"=70'
SHEET 1 of 2

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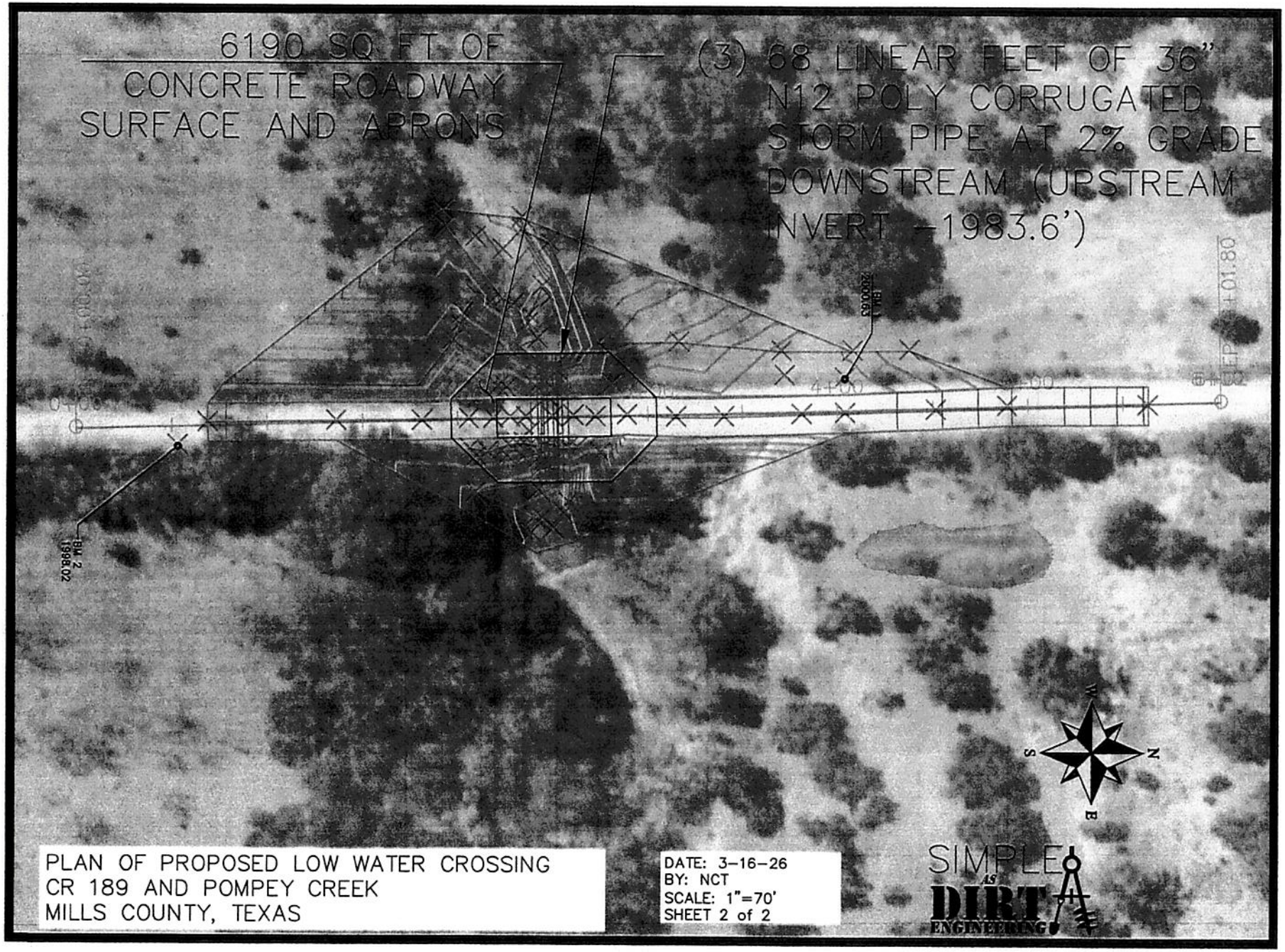

PLAN OF PROPOSED LOW WATER CROSSING
CR 189 AND POMPEY CREEK
MILLS COUNTY, TEXAS

DATE: 3-16-26
BY: NCT
SCALE: 1"=70'
SHEET 2 of 2

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Nick Taylor

From: Nick Taylor
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2026 9:40 PM
To: dale.partin@millscountytx.gov
Subject: FINAL CONSOLIDATED RFP PACKAGE – CR 189 AT POMPEY CREEK
Attachments: Plan view page 2.pdf; profile view page 1.pdf

Commissioner Partin,

Based on the completed survey and final design review, I have consolidated all specifications into this final RFP package. This draft includes the speed limit signage and advisory plaques necessary to safely manage the 8% approach grades as detailed in the attached construction documents.

PROJECT OVERVIEW: ENGINEERED VENTED FORD

This project replaces the failed 12-foot high embankment with a 108-foot long reinforced concrete armored crossing. The design maximizes hydraulic capacity by lowering the road profile to the creek bed, providing a safe, overtoppable surface.

1. ROAD GEOMETRY & VERTICAL ALIGNMENT (REF: SHEET 2)
   - Approaches: Constant 8% grade from both the North and South.
   - Bottom Section: A 60-foot wide segment centered at the flowline (disregarding vertical curves) to provide a wide, stable crossing and accommodate vent pipes.
   - Transitions: Grade breaks shall be smoothed using a 50-foot vertical curve for an easy transition from the slopes to the landing.
   - Drainage: The armored section must maintain a 2% constant downstream cross-slope.
2. TRAFFIC CONTROL & SIGNAGE (TMUTCD COMPLIANT)

The contractor shall install the following permanent signage to alert drivers to the steep grades and water crossing:

   - Regulatory Speed Limit (R2-1): Install 15 MPH speed limit signs at both approaches (minimum 500 feet from the crossing).
   - Advisory Speed Plaques (W13-1P): Install 10 MPH advisory plaques mounted below "HILL" (W7-1) or "WATCH FOR WATER ON ROAD" warning signs.
   - Flood Gauges (FGA): Install two (2) TxDOT standard depth markers at the lowest point of the crossing.
3. CONSTRUCTION SCOPE OF WORK (REF: SHEET 1 & 2)
   - Mass Excavation: Export approximately 1,900 CY of material to reach the proposed flowline profile.
   - Subgrade Prep: Compact the 6,190 sq. ft. footprint to 95% density (TxDOT Item 132).
   - Trenching: Dig 12" wide x 36" deep cutoff wall trenches at upstream/downstream edges.
   - Venting: Install three (3) 68-foot runs of 36" N12 Poly Corrugated Storm Pipe at a 2% downstream grade (Upstream Invert: 1983.6').
   - Armoring: Pour 7" thick, 4,000 PSI Class S concrete reinforced with #4 Rebar on 12" centers. Apply a heavy broom finish for traction on the 8% slopes.
4. PRELIMINARY BID SCHEDULE (QUANTITIES)
   - Excavation (Mass Cut): 1,900 CY (Per Design)
   - Concrete (Slab, Walls, & Aprons): ~140 CY (TxDOT Item 421)
   - Storm Pipe (36" N12 Poly): 204 LF (TxDOT Item 460)
   - Signage (R2-1, W13-1P, & FGA): 1 Lot (TMUTCD)

thanks