



# Alternatives Workshops Summary

US-20 Ashton to SH-87 JCT - Key No. 23229

## Overview

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) initiated a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) process to analyze the U.S. Highway 20 (US-20) corridor between Ashton and the State Highway 87 (SH-87) junction in Fall 2021. Increasing traffic is causing congestion and crashes on US-20.

In October 2021, ITD hosted public meetings in Ashton and Island Park and attendees asked to be involved in developing alternatives for the project. ITD listened and invited the public to share their ideas at one of three alternatives workshops:

December 7, 2021

5:15 – 8 p.m.

Ashton Community Center and Library

925 Main Street

Ashton, ID 83420

December 8, 2021

10 a.m. – noon

Virtual Workshop via Webex

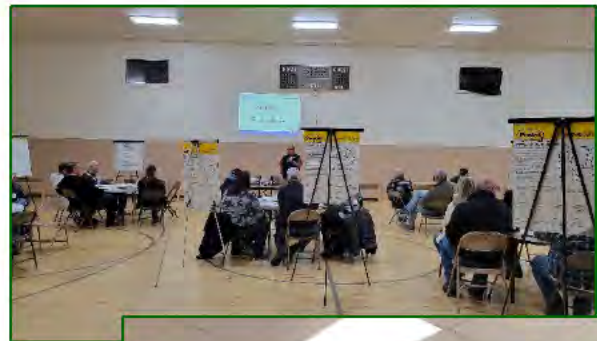
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5:15 – 8 p.m.

Island Park EMS Building

4378 County Circle

Island Park, ID 83429



## Meeting Attendance

Ashton Workshop, December 7 – 25 participants signed in

Virtual Workshop, December 8 – 17 participants attended

Island Park Workshop, December 8 – 74 participants signed in

Copies of sign-in sheets and the virtual meeting attendance report are included in Appendix A.



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## Workshop Format

Attendees were asked to sign-in at the meeting and then find a seat at one of the tables set up around the room.

District Engineer Jason Minzghor welcomed attendees and introduced the consultant project manager Kelly Hoopes of Horrocks Engineers. Kelly presented the following information:

- Project overview
- Summary of public comments so far
- Idaho Fish and Game Mule Deer and Elk migration data
- Crash and traffic data
- Alternative development, refinement and evaluation, including discussion of draft screening criteria
- Schedule

*A copy of the presentation is included in Appendix B.*

After the presentation, facilitators at each table encouraged participants to draw on project area maps and recorded comments on flip charts. Each group was asked to brainstorm ideas and solutions for ITD to consider and to identify issues that could be problematic or difficult to overcome. Several participants brought design ideas to share with the group and the project team identified 27 specific suggestions that relate to alternatives throughout the project area.

*Photos of maps and flip chart notes are included in Appendix C.*

At the conclusion of the facilitated session, ITD discussed topics that would be difficult to address through the process such as removing freight from US-20 and adding cameras to “catch” speeders before thanking everyone for participating in the workshops. ITD asked that any additional workshop comments be submitted by December 22.

## Meeting Notification

The public was notified of the meetings in the following ways:

- Postcard mailed to 1,900 addresses. *The mailing list included local residents, property owners in other states/areas, agencies, elected officials, and other interested stakeholders.*
- Constant Contact email sent to 1,200 email addresses. *Email lists from other projects in the area were also used to reach as many interested stakeholders as possible.*
- Posters were displayed at several locations Ashton and Island Park.
- Two boosted Facebook posts on ITD’s Facebook page.

*Copies of notification materials are included in Appendix D.*

### In-person and Virtual Workshop Details:

<b>December 7, 2021</b> 5:15 p.m. - 8 p.m. Ashton Community Center and Library 925 Main Street Ashton, ID 83420	<b>December 8, 2021</b> 5:15 p.m. - 8 p.m. Island Park EMS Building 4378 County Circle Island Park, ID 83429	<b>VIRTUAL MEETING</b>  <b>December 8, 2021</b> 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. MST
<b>+ Agenda</b> Doors open/sign-in 5:15 p.m.  <b>Welcome</b> 5:45 p.m.  <b>Presentation</b> 5:50 p.m.  <b>Facilitated workshop</b> 6:20 to 7:30 p.m.  <b>Wrap-up</b> 7:30 - 8 p.m.	<b>+ Agenda</b> Doors open/sign-in 5:15 p.m.  <b>Welcome</b> 5:45 p.m.  <b>Presentation</b> 5:50 p.m.  <b>Facilitated workshop</b> 6:20 to 7:30 p.m.  <b>Wrap-up</b> 7:30 - 8 p.m.	<b>A link to the virtual meeting will be emailed to those who RSVP.</b>  To effectively plan for the workshops, ITD respectfully requests that participants RSVP to <a href="mailto:comments@US20Ashtonto87.com">comments@US20Ashtonto87.com</a> by December 1, 2021. Please indicate the session you will attend when you RSVP.  <small>ITD cannot guarantee space for those who do not RSVP.</small>

Visit [itdprojects.org/projects/us-20-ashton-to-sh-87-jct](http://itdprojects.org/projects/us-20-ashton-to-sh-87-jct) for project information.





## Appendix A

- Sign-in Sheets
- Virtual Meeting Attendance Log





## Alternatives Workshop

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Van Bunker Shaw				
GARTH BLANCHARD				
Sean Murphy				



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All sessions in Mountain Standard Time (Denver, GMT-07:00)

Session detail for 'US-20 Ashton to SH-87 - Virtual Alternatives Workshop':

Name	Email	Date	Duration
Jennifer Gonzalez		12/8/2021	177 mins
Jessamyn Summers		12/8/2021	180 mins
Jason Longsdorf		12/8/2021	44 mins
Stephanie Borders		12/8/2021	173 mins
Nelson Rovig		12/8/2021	58 mins
Jennifer Daniluc		12/8/2021	71 mins
Nicholas Callero		12/8/2021	11 mins
Randall Marrett		12/8/2021	97 mins
Hannah Rasker		12/8/2021	106 mins
Wendy Terlizzi		12/8/2021	108 mins
Williams		12/8/2021	111 mins
Scott Luekenga		12/8/2021	113 mins
Jan Brown		12/8/2021	75 mins
Matt Pieron, IDFG		12/8/2021	112 mins
Sheryl Hill		12/8/2021	112 mins
Rob Thornberry		12/8/2021	114 mins
Karen Schumacher		12/8/2021	116 mins
Ben Burke		12/8/2021	110 mins
Lisa		12/8/2021	92 mins
Jon Nicholson		12/8/2021	110 mins
Teddy Collins		12/8/2021	115 mins
Kurt Wald Horrocks Engineers		12/8/2021	118 mins
Betty Warner		12/8/2021	115 mins
Mary VanFleet		12/8/2021	58 mins
Brent Inghram		12/8/2021	122 mins
ericv		12/8/2021	124 mins
Mike McKee		12/8/2021	130 mins
Samantha Patterson		12/8/2021	130 mins
Fred Gomez		12/8/2021	114 mins
Micah Brown		12/8/2021	143 mins
Kelly Hoopes		12/8/2021	157 mins
Gemma Puddy		12/8/2021	172 mins
Darnell and Jackie Nelson		12/8/2021	110 mins
2084****09		12/8/2021	113 mins
2082****88		12/8/2021	110 mins



## Appendix B



- Presentation



# PEL Alternative Workshop

December 2021

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# Welcome

**Thank you for coming and  
being a part of this process.**

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## Project Overview




- **Project Extent:**  
US-20; Ashton to SH-87 Jct.
- **FHWA Website:**  
[https://www.environment.fhwa.dot.gov/nepa/nepa\\_projDev.aspx](https://www.environment.fhwa.dot.gov/nepa/nepa_projDev.aspx)
- **Project Website:**  
<https://itdprojects.org/projects/us-20-ashton-to-sh-87-jct/>

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## Purpose of the Workshop



**We will:**


- Summarize what we have heard.
- Provide additional information.



**You will:**

- Identify potential solutions that should be considered.
  - *We have provided paper maps of different scales to help you as you explain your ideas as well as document those thoughts and ideas as you describe them.*

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## What we have heard so far

**To Date:**

Total of **80 comments** received.

- Seven (7) comments submitted at Oct. 12 meeting.
- 15 comments submitted at Oct. 13 meeting.
- 29 comments submitted through the online meeting.
- 29 submitted through the project email.

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## What we have heard so far

- Will access to US-20 change along the corridor? (19 comments relating to access)
- Specific area of concern several have mentioned is the Ashton Hill Estates area. (14 comments relating to access)

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## What we have heard so far

- Purpose and need of the project. (15 comments)
- Freight is a concern. (15 comments relating to access)

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## What we have heard so far

Thoughts and ideas relating to design:

- Realignment of US-20 near Ashton. (10)
- Suggestions for new alignments. (5)
- Potential four lane roadway. (18)
- Adding passing lanes and turn lanes. ( 9 )

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## What we have heard so far

Thoughts and ideas relating to coordination:

- Coordination with elected officials, Fremont County Commissioners, Resource Agencies and the public. (28)

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## What we have heard so far

Thoughts and ideas relating to wildlife safety/collisions (46):

- Mostly concerned with protecting wildlife and reducing crashes.
- Three comments were opposed to wildlife overpasses.

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# IDFG: Deer and Elk

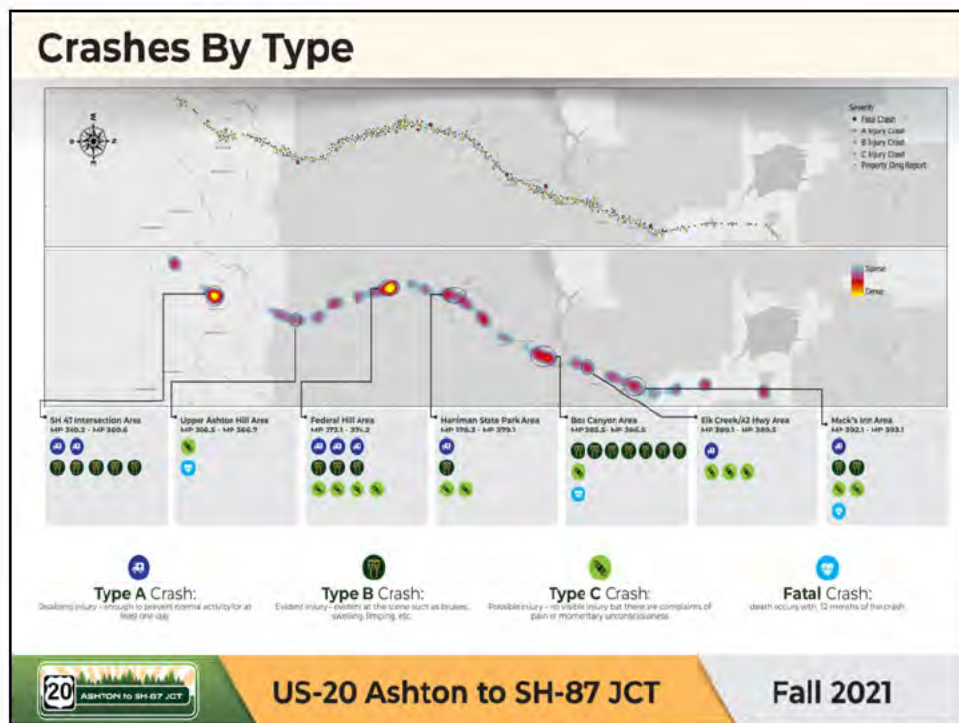


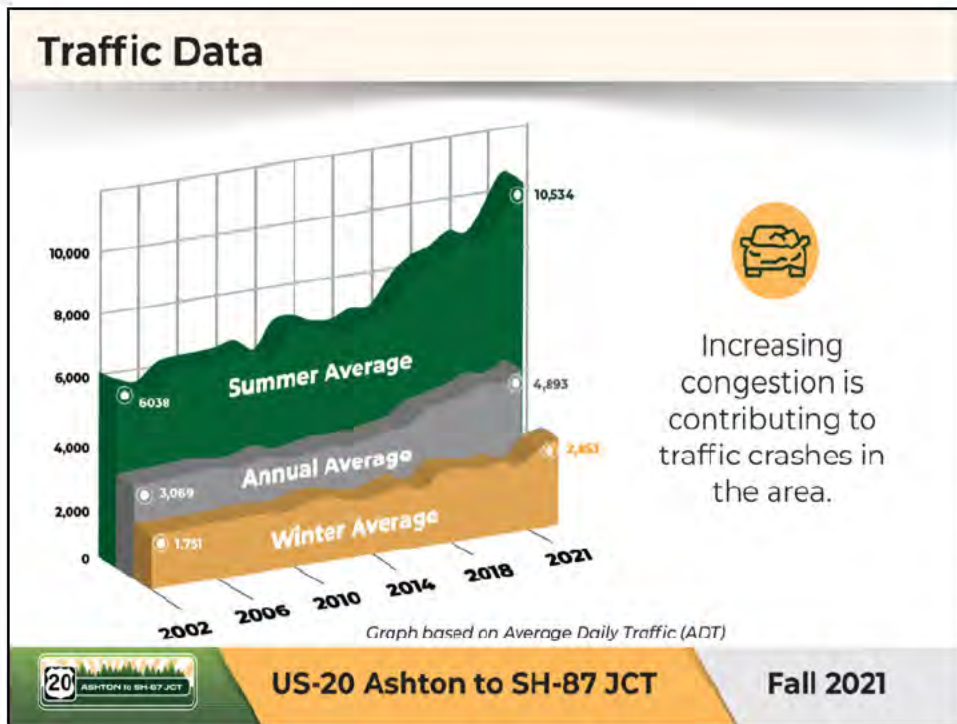
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## What we have heard so far

Thoughts and ideas relating to roadway maintenance and operations:

- Roadside tree removal. (5)
- Improved signage. (5)
- Enforcement. (9)
- Speed. (9)

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## "Parking Lot" items

- The purpose of this workshop is to have you identify potential solutions that should be considered.
- We ask that everyone be respectful of others thoughts and ideas.

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## What is next?


Alternative  
development,  
refinement and  
evaluation.



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Draft Screening Criteria		
Criteria	Level 1 Criteria Question	
<b>Safety</b>	Does the alternative provide opportunities to improve safety?	
<b>Mobility for all users</b>	Does the alternative increase mobility? Does it reduce congestion?	
<b>Future Corridor Travel Needs</b>	Will the alternative improve travel time and lessen delays for future traffic needs?	
<b>Environmental</b>	<i>Visual</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable visual impacts?
	<i>Agriculture and Forest Resources</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts to agriculture and forest resources?
	<i>Air Quality</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable air quality impacts?
	<i>Biological Resources</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts to biological resources?
	<i>Cultural Resources</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts to cultural resources?
	<i>Geology and Soils</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts to the geology and soils?
	<i>Hazards and Hazardous Materials</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable hazards or impacts stemming from hazardous materials?
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Draft Screening Criteria cont.		
Criteria	Level 1 Criteria Question	
Environmental	<i>Hydrology and Water Quality</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts to hydrology and water quality?
	<i>Land Use and Transportation Planning</i>	Does the alternative provide benefits indicated on land use and transportation plans?
	<i>Noise</i>	Does the alternative create problematic or unmitigatable impacts relating to noise?
	<i>Social and Economics</i>	Does the alternative enhance or improve economic opportunities? Does the alternative impact the social aspects of the community?
Additional Project Needs		Does the alternative affect any additional project needs identified?


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## Code of Conduct for the Workshop

- Stay open minded - seek to understand before passing judgment.
- Be respectful of other's ideas and thoughts, even if you disagree.
- Listen to understand.
- Share all relevant information.
- Use specific examples and agree on what important words mean.
- Explain reasoning and intent.
- Discuss undiscussable issues.
- Understand that we probably won't achieve all things for all people.

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## Webex Annotation Instructions



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**Use chat for:** sharing thoughts, discussion with one another, general feedback.  
**Note:** You may not receive a response to your chat from the project team, but the chat will be reviewed by the project team and saved as part of the meeting record.

**Use Q&A for:** asking questions that you'd like the project team to answer.  
**Note:** Send your question to ALL CO-HOSTS. Depending on the volume of questions, we may respond as questions come in or we may reserve them for the end of the workshop as time permits (if unable to address all questions during the meeting, we'll follow up with responses after the meeting).

**If you don't see the Chat, Q&A, or Raise Hand icons, try looking for them by clicking on this button:**





**Raise your hand:** when you have an urgent question or comment pertinent to the idea being discussed.  
**Note:** We will call on you as soon as possible during the meeting.



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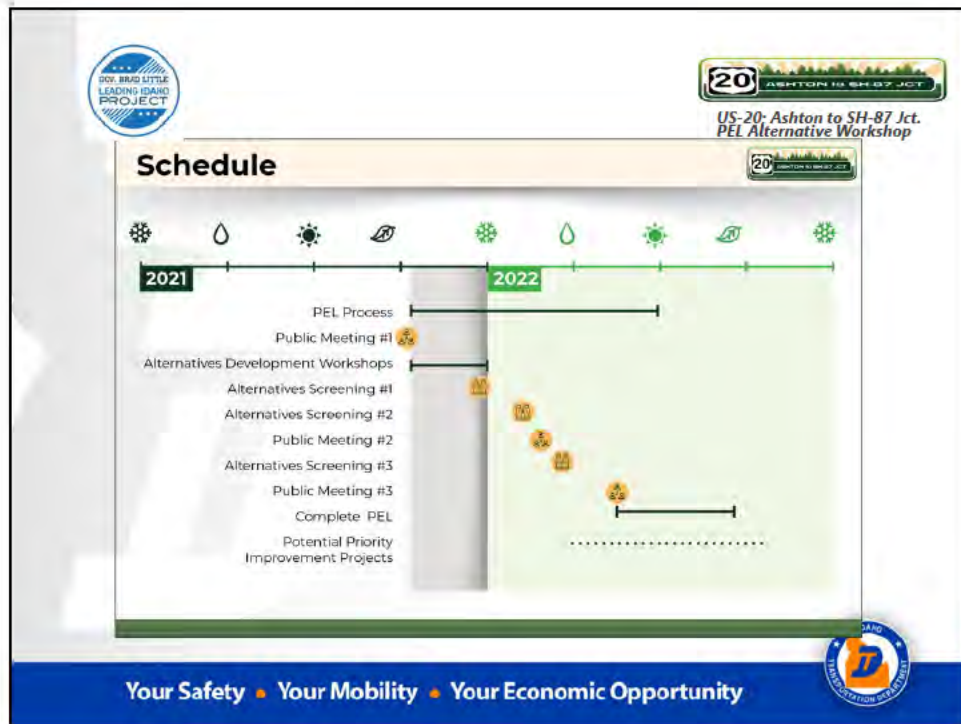
## Workshop Wrap-up



- Parking Lot Items.
- Next Steps.



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## Appendix C

### Workshop Materials

- Maps with Drawings
- Flip Chart Notes





**Ashton**  
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**December 7, 2021**

**Group 1**

Improvements need to happen as early as possible

## Hwy 47 + US-20 Intersection unsafe

- 4-lane to 2-lane / speed (don't want to slow down)
- IC is important for farm to market traffic
- farm equipment is constricted currently through Ashton
- 1-lane through Ashton, OTHER LANES AROUND (split lane)
- realignment concerns for Ashton businesses

## Yellowstone traffic / recreation seasons

- recreational vehicles /
- drivers unfamiliar w/ area / conditions

## MP 342 Creek crossing is really narrow

- need to be careful w/ farm equipment (takes 2 lanes)
- consider NB + SB divided highways to avoid narrow crossings
- Challenges w/ fill
- some farmers avoid area

## Ashton Access

- Safety is important, but need to balance with impacts to local communities
- ~~Take~~ Maintain access to "

Keep character of Longest Main Street in America

## Multi Use crossings where possible

- Benefits seen in other communities
- Concerns w/ hunters camping out in these areas
- Other locations (Wyoming example) found not as concerning



~~4~~ Intersections near  
MP 389, 393, 394, 398  
- left-turn & other conflicts

Coordination w/ Project South  
- take trucks off IC @  
and have them go along canty road (see area map)

Mule deer crossing area lines up w/ elevated  
crashes ~~in~~ shown in data

IDEA GPS/speed / tourists trying to avoid Ashton,  
turning off on canty roads causes congestion

① <sup>↑</sup> may help alleviate this problem  
& still allow tourist traffic easy access to Ashton

also ~~is~~ allows easy access to US-20 for residents  
Seems to be open ground available to accommodate  
on East side, ~~would~~ would  
impact Elementary school & Forest

ELK CREEK

concerns:

summer lanes, lots of traffic

North of Ashton Bridge -  
Volcanic materials - widening would have  
big impacts  
Area too narrow to accommodate

Intersection @ Ashton Bridge  
recreational traffic / float business  
any public access to river

Shawmobile crossing @ Pards Lodge  
& Harriman

Between MP 380 & 381 - Shawmobile crossing  
multi-use / recreational crossing

Cattle truck / traffic @ MP 385

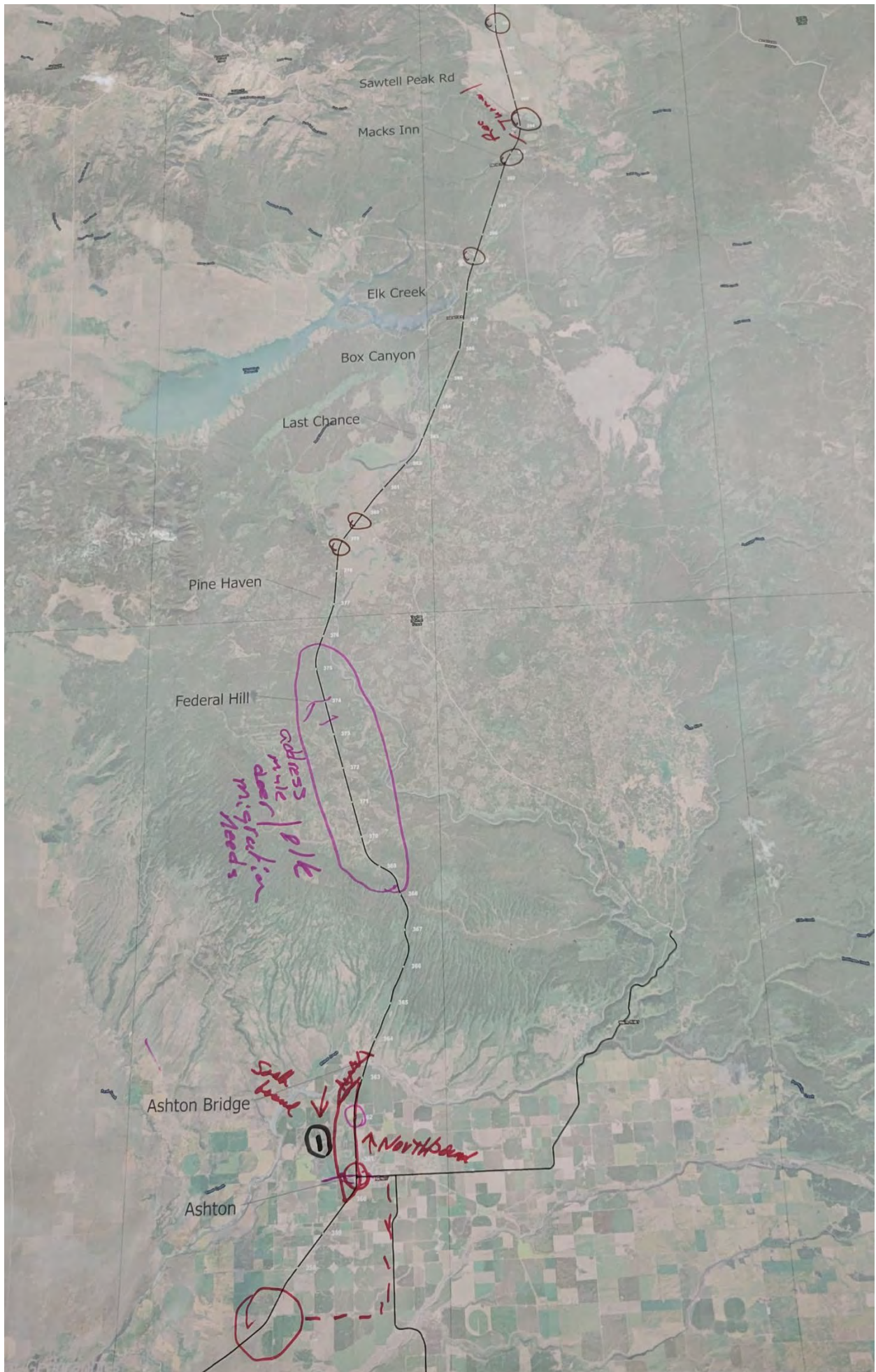
All-way turn lanes @ big intersections along  
Corridor (see map) - Widen also

Multi-use underpasses between MP 393 & 394

See Maps Inn 1

This corridor is an important N/S route - per Ashton residents;  
important to consider safety + improvements for all users,  
local + tourist traffic





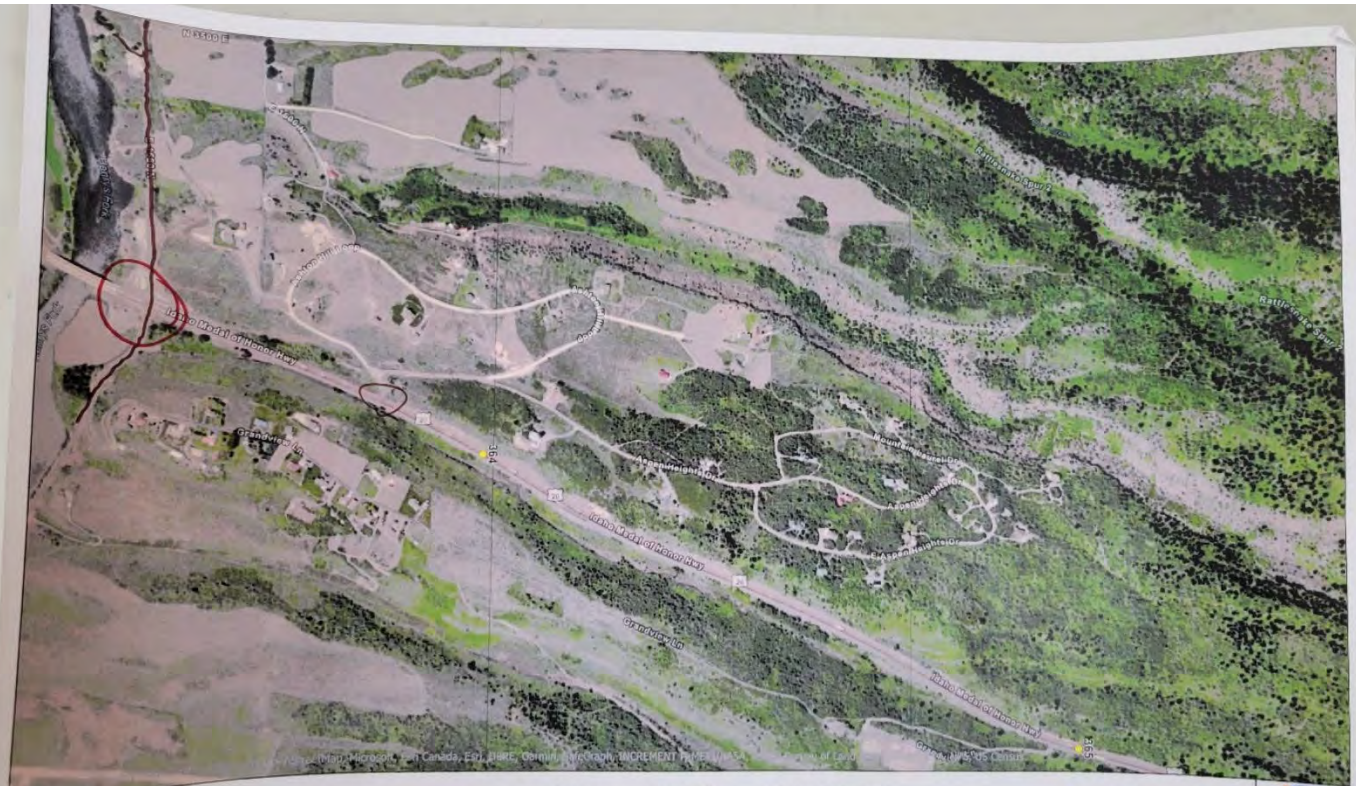












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## Ashton Bridge DRAFT

● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile







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# Parking Lot

- Lower speed limit = 2 stakeholders believe slowing to 45 would solve a lot of issues
- Resurface US-20-





Ashton to SH-87  
DEI



Don't go 4 lanes through Ashton

Frontage road to  
Controlled Access for  
Ashton Hill Estates

Wildlife  
overpass  
at Fed. Hill  
use time  
of day  
to  
funnel  
wildlife

\*If you can't  
do 4 lanes all the  
way. Do 4 lanes =  
in busiest sections.  
(Places where it's tough)

+ signs through traffic  
stay left

Last Chance

Box Canyon

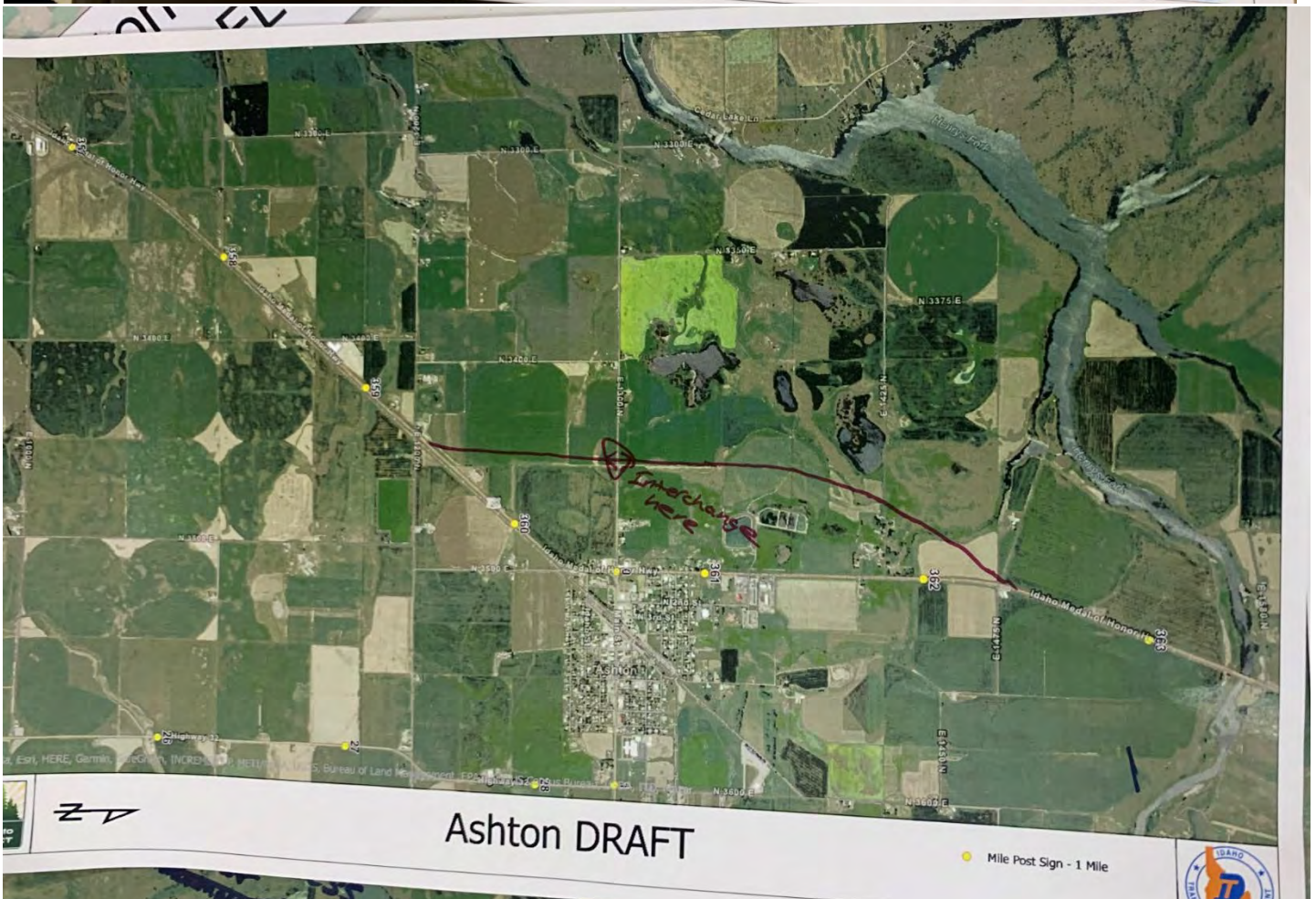
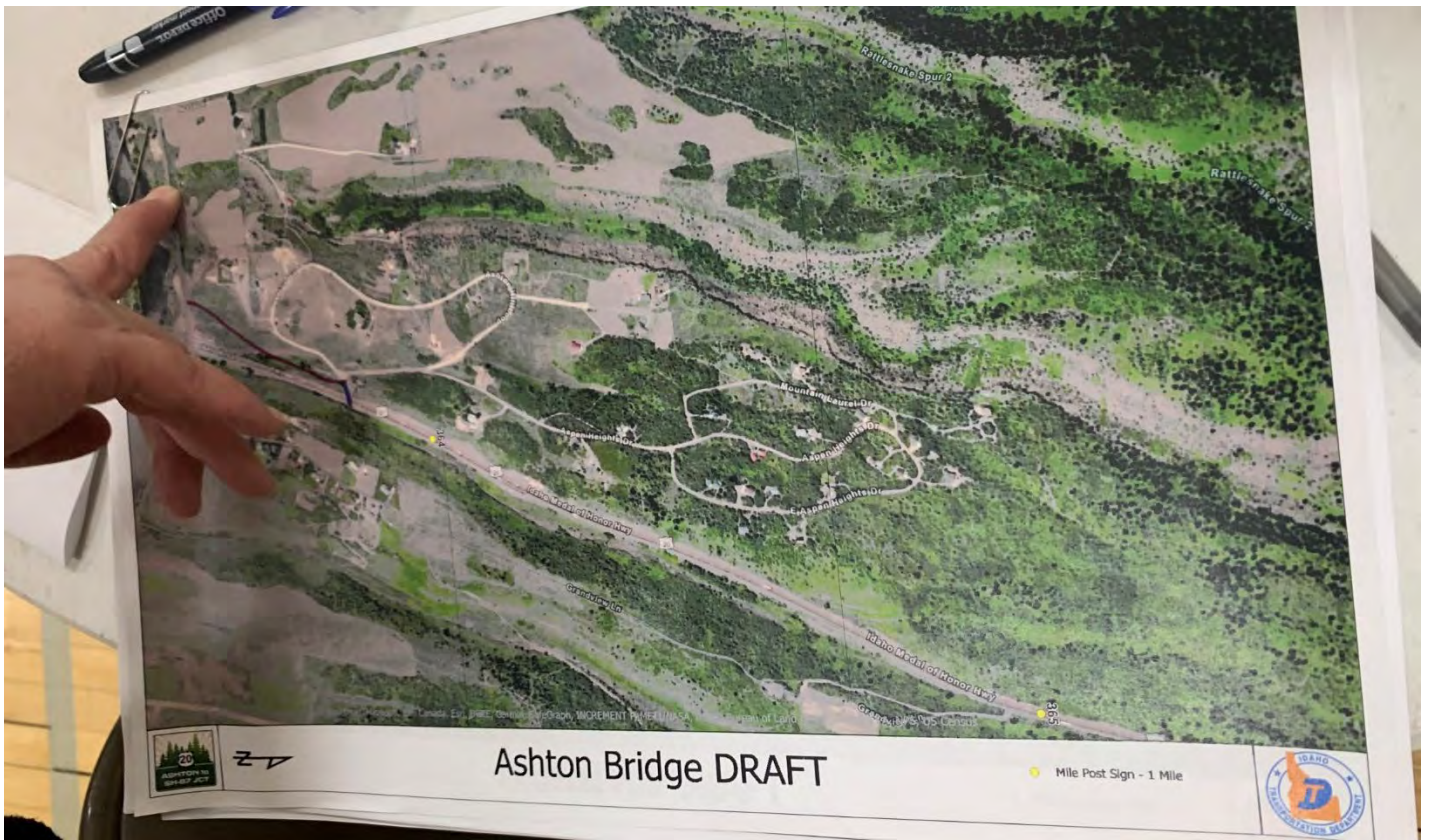
Elk Creek

Macks Inn

Sawtell Peak Rd

stop ahead sign  
at Junction w/ SH-87











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## Parking lot

- \* Island Park speed limit varies a lot
- \* Wildlife Overpass or Corridor in migration areas
- \* Snowmobile underpasses in Island Park

through Ashton

## VINCE

- don't go through Ashton (w/ trucks)
- don't dump ~~four~~ lanes into Aston (Northbound)
- realign US-20 to West of Ashton

- Center turn lane w/ 2 lanes in each direction  
(to Mt.)

- Stop ahead signage w/ ST-87 junction

- Animal/Wildlife crossings are for wildlife only.  
L Sent will deter animals from crossing  
L Don't mix with snowmobile + Atv crossings.

- Get trucks safely in and out of Ashton





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# ★ Reference map set (MA)

Fly around: Ex. North Rigby

## — Roundabouts to slow down traffic, traffic calming

### Locations

- Last Chance (don't add roundabout @ Ponds)
- Elk Creek (this is a major crossing area)
- Macks Inn — SH. 87
- Connecting frontage roads from roundabouts (see drawing on zoomed-in around Last Chance)
  - Connect new frontage road to old Hwy
- Restrict access from US-20 to Ponds area and require drivers to access area from new frontage road that connects
- Create a recreational <sup>under</sup>pass in the Elk Creek crossing area — add fly around to roundabout
- Create a recreational <sup>under</sup>pass ~~between~~ in Last Chance area (see zoomed-in)
- Macks Inn → right turn no-stop option (fly around) map
- <sup>TRAIL</sup> underpass → 12 ft. wide
- concern for Ashton regarding bypasses and disconnecting community
- Mitigation of the trees has helped
- The signage in Ashton (speed limit sign) has helped - effective



(MA)

## Themes

- Preserve Community
- Concern with traffic

## Bypass Ashton

- wetland concerns
- Sewer (west side) concern
- Pro: access to Hwy 47
- Con: negative impact to local businesses

## Overpass

- recreation can go under
- safer alternative
- Con: visual
- maybe Elk Creek, but not sure if there's room and connect to a new frontage road

## Roundabouts

- accommodate semi-trucks
- safer than traffic lights
- abide by rules
- educate the public
- integration with highway
- take a lot of real estate
- congestion with highway
- less visual impact

overpass  
less real  
estate for  
roundabouts

## SPEED LIMIT

- different speed limits on U.S. 20



(MA)

- Freight to I-15
- Freight needs to stay on US-20
  - longer route to going to I-15, concern re: price increase
  - higher speeds on I-15, but longer distance
- Roundabout concern
  - hazard traffic
  - trying to pass congestion
- Stop light at Elk Creek
- Elk Creek overpass & underpass for snow mobiles & ATVs
  - near pond's lodge
- Underpass big enough for groomer → 12-feet wide
  - Osborn bridge
  - South Antelope
  - Last Chance
  - Mack's Inn
  - Robin's Roost
- Snow removal

→ before the bridge when heading north.



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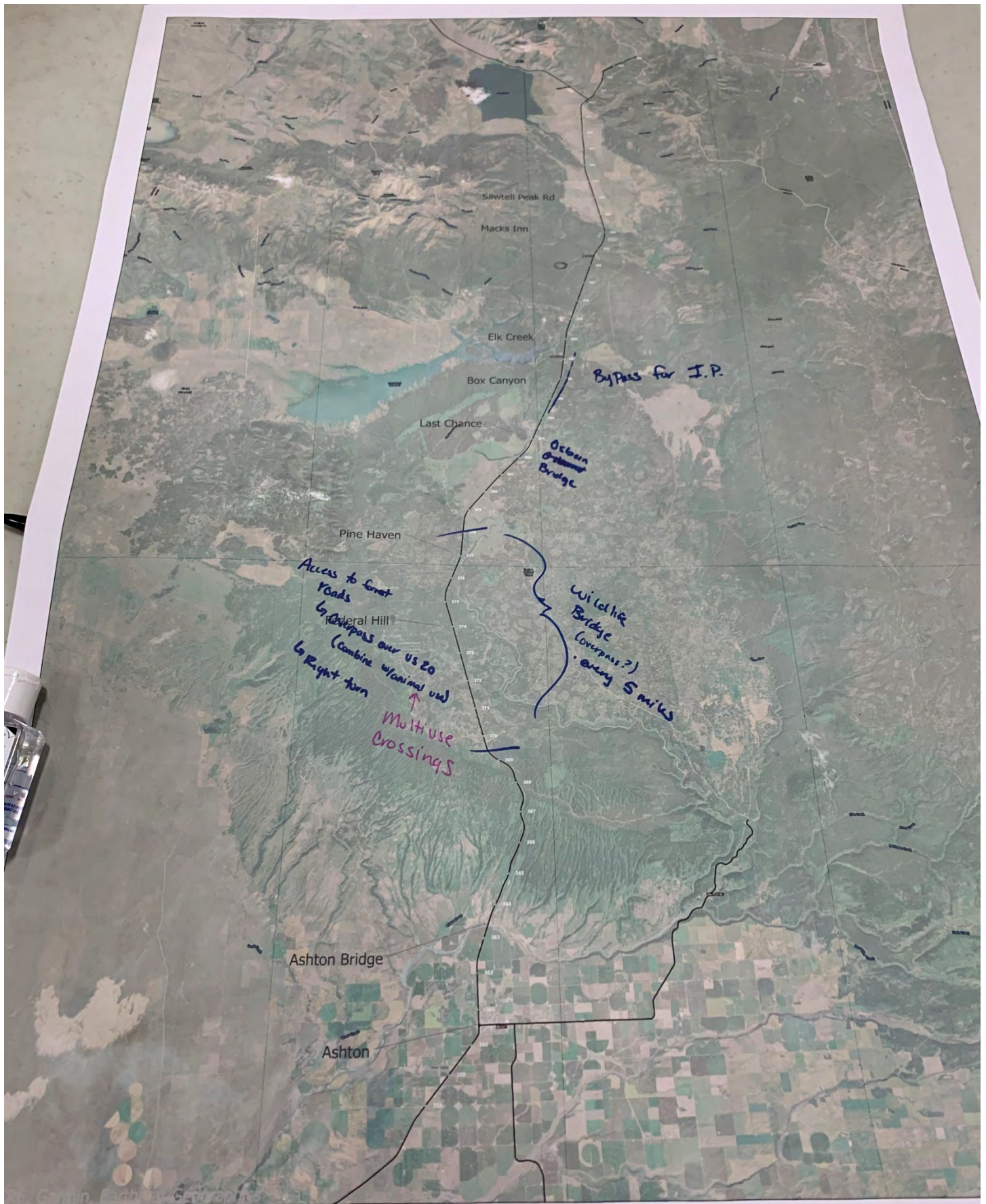
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- Ashton
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  - don't impact irrigation line
  - more traffic on 47
  - great to build a road on Rock Ridge
- Underpasses need to connect to Forest Service existing trails
  - need more structure
- Ashton residents don't want to see US-20 widened through Ashton
- connect Herriman State Park to Henry's Lake through trail system (non-motorized)
  - Stakeholder would like all alternatives to include this new trail system
  - He does not want to utilize existing trails
  - He would like it to be close enough to ~~state~~ highway, so it's in State ROW
    - 30-40 yards from highway
    - 10-12' in width
  - He does not want them built on or adjacent to motorized trails
  - Where this would intersect roadways or motorized trails, add some type of barrier that would restrict / discourage motorized
  - Sheriff enforcement - works in other places - seek recreational grants to fund



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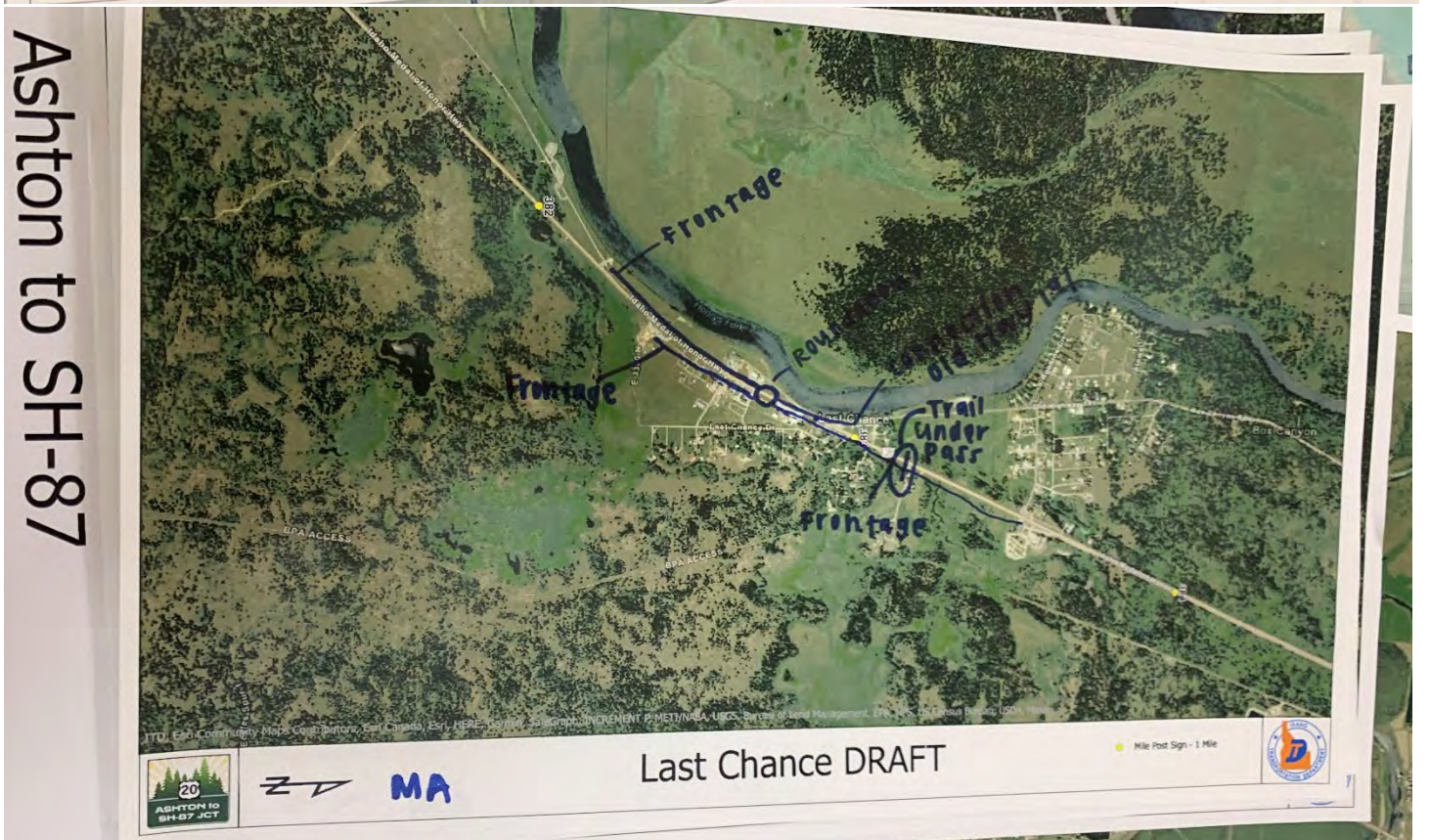




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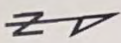
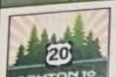






# Elk Creek 2 DRAFT

- Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile
- 1/10 Mile Point







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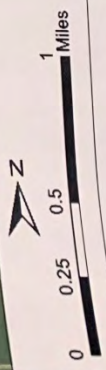


Last Chance



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Mile Post



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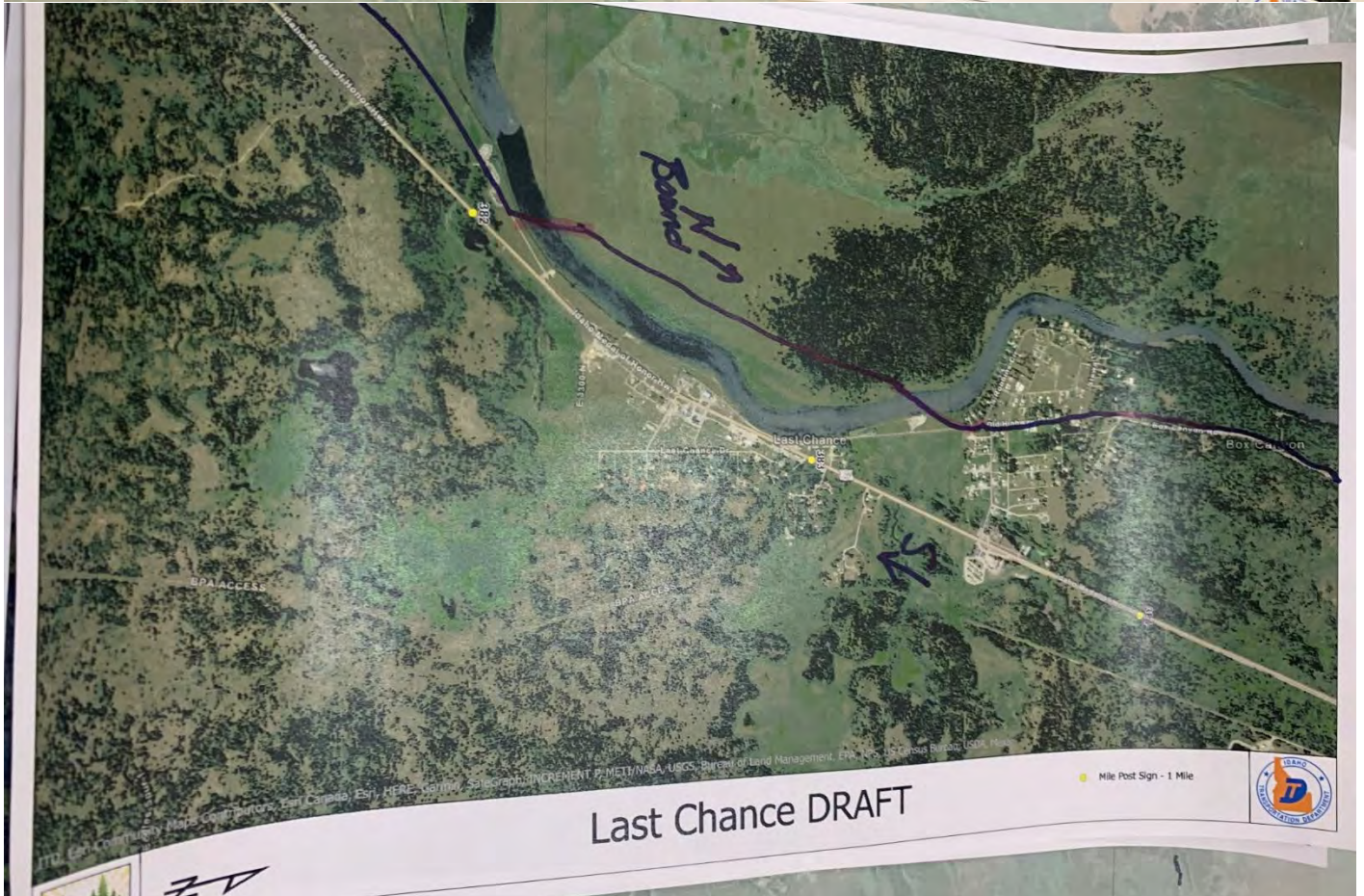
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715 32  
into 20

Wingman 2











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SUPERSTICKY EASELPAD  
TABLEAU À FEUILLES MOBILES SUPERCOLLANTES  
SUPERADHESIVAS BLOC DE HOJAS REPOSICIONABLES



30

25 IN/PO x 30 IN/PO  
63,5 cm x 76,2 cm  
5.2 SQ FT/PI² (0,48 m²)

3M

- link to US-20 Corridor Study 2006

- Don't/can't use previous  
Corridor Study data (Patty Cranner) <sup>NO!</sup>

\* When we put data out - add  
reference for where it came  
from (crash/traffic data)

\* Believe data is bogus  
because of "so-called"  
pandemic

\* trend will <sup>of more traffic</sup> not be  
sustained





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\* go back into presentation materials + add references to where data is from

\* Send Ken spreadsheet of crash data

\* variable speed limits that fit conditions - E/K / weather

\* electronic "Your speed is..." signs





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- \* Divided highways make it difficult for animals to cross  
     $\nearrow$  come on and stay on at night
- \* solar powered lights in hot spots to show animals so drivers can see them
- more +
- \* flashing wildlife lights in hot spots (migration spots)
- \* would like a test of variable Speed limits (were promised that in the past)



\* Purpose and Need language a "Response"  
needs addressed / re-write

\* Define Criteria that brought  
this project to the table

↳ Send to Leanne (also send link  
for 2006 Corridor Study)

\* Review FHWA 85% for speed vs. 65%

recommended by (NTSB) 55 mph

\* Consider Human Livability  
Environment as part of  
Study



# Parking Lot

Cameras that capture  
Speeders + issue tickets

HeartStart  
Child CPR AED

Tap and shout

Tap for help. Send someone  
to phone 911 and get an AED

Look for no breathing or  
only gasping

Push hard  
Down 50 mm

Open the air  
way 2 times

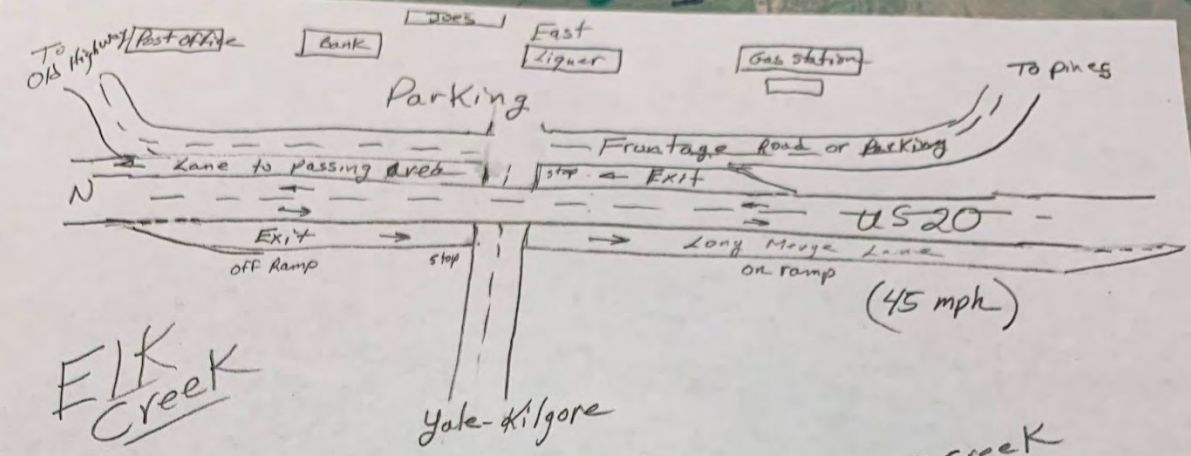
Repeat sets of 30 compressions  
and 2 breaths

If you are alone after 5 sets of  
30 compressions and 2 breaths,  
and then resume sets of 30:2

When the AED arrives, turn it on  
and follow the prompts



Yale  
Kilgore  
gave us

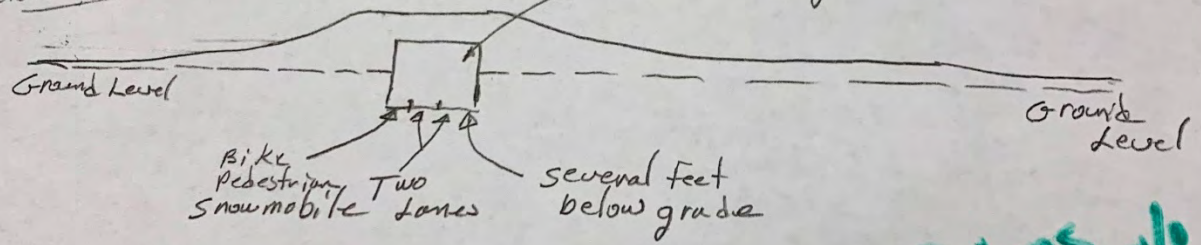


Elk  
Creek

Yale-Kilgore

Keep HWY  
Elev. Low

Tunnel to Elk Creek  
& Yale-Kilgore



View

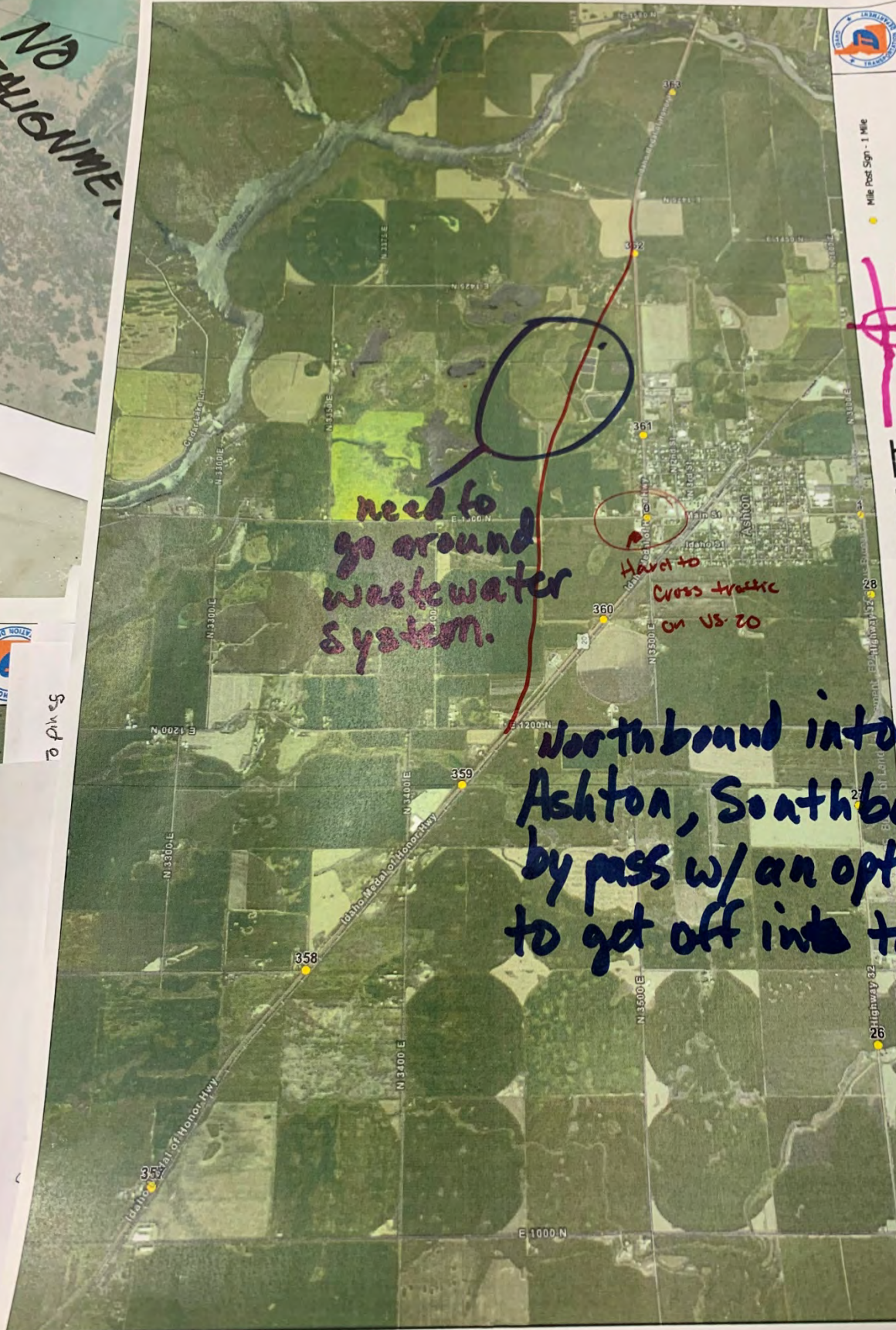
Robins w/o  
Roost  
Frontage



NO  
REALIGNMENT



Sand e



1 Mile



Ashton DRAFT

Northbound into  
Ashton, Southbound  
by pass w/ an option  
to get off into town.

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Corridor term  
is confusing it may  
road corridor w/ wildlife  
corridor.

Low enforcement  
presence in Hawks  
Inn area.

Keep  
speeds  
as they  
are

NO  
REALIGNMENTS

No roundabouts

Overpass/under pass - see Ken Watts  
@ Elk Cr./Robins Roost drawing.  
- keep traffic compact  
maintain access  
to businesses.

Compact low speed interchange.

Do nothing  
(status quo alternative)

Improvements  
~~to be made~~

- Merge lanes
- Another passing lane  
S. of Fed. Hill

No fences for wildlife overpass  
↳ fences create wildlife  
pinch points

Purpose/Need suggestions

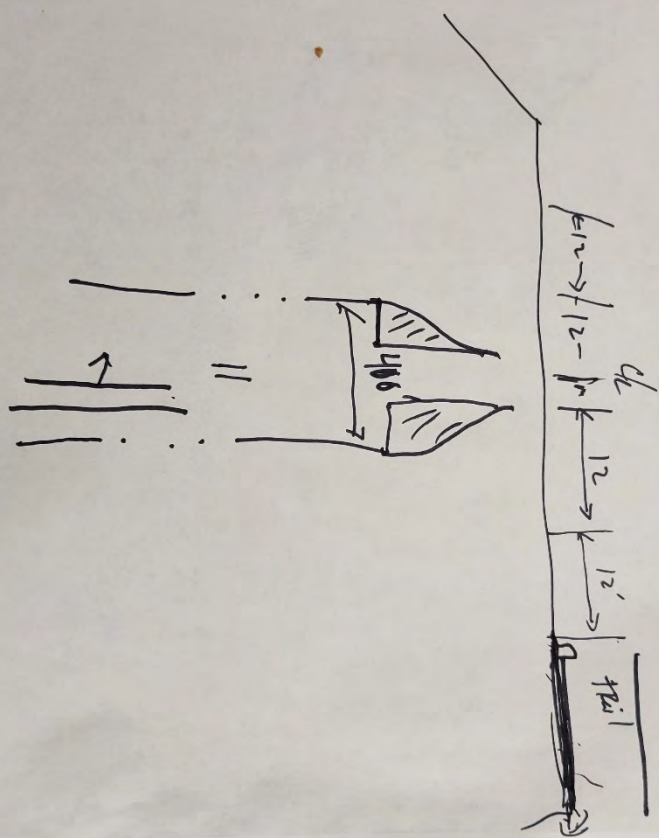
- livability (4 lane road decr  
livability - di  
ec
- quality of life

Work w/in the ~~existing~~  
existing Foot print

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Community wants  
to validate the data  
(add references).









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Speed - 45 mph from Mack's Ln

Major Intersections

- reroute ATVs & snowmobiles

more flow

Sawtelle is worst intersection

Tunnels best for reg. vehicle crossing  
& move away from major intersec

Seasonal/Permanent - through peak time  
Signalize intersections by Sawtelle & Mack's Ln

~~Overpass~~ - difficult to see, bad visibility & Elk Cr  
- take road down, make more gradual  
(lower grade)

Overpass/Underpass for reg. vehicles by Sawtelle  
bridge over US-20 - all vehicles

①

Yield road @ Elk Creek, larger turn lanes  
- traffic of Kilgore

- get off and on 20 w/ more flow  
- add lane to 20 heading N  
merge



## ② Mack's Inn Access

- no widening
- lower grade, improve sight distance
- concerns w/ lowering grade - snow accumulation

## Consolidate access @ Elk Creek

- remove straight across access @ Kilgore

Easier access @ Mack Inn, Elk Creek & Shovel

## ③ LAST Change & all other major intersections

add turn lane on each side  
& Remove turn lane  
center turn lane  
big trucks

## ④ send heavy traffic East, around starting @ MP 380 and rejoin near St-87

NO 4-lane all through  
- maybe 3 lanes

Center turn lane dangerous - @ Last Chance

Pave old hwy  
- same intersection issues

All intersections in Ip are a challenge

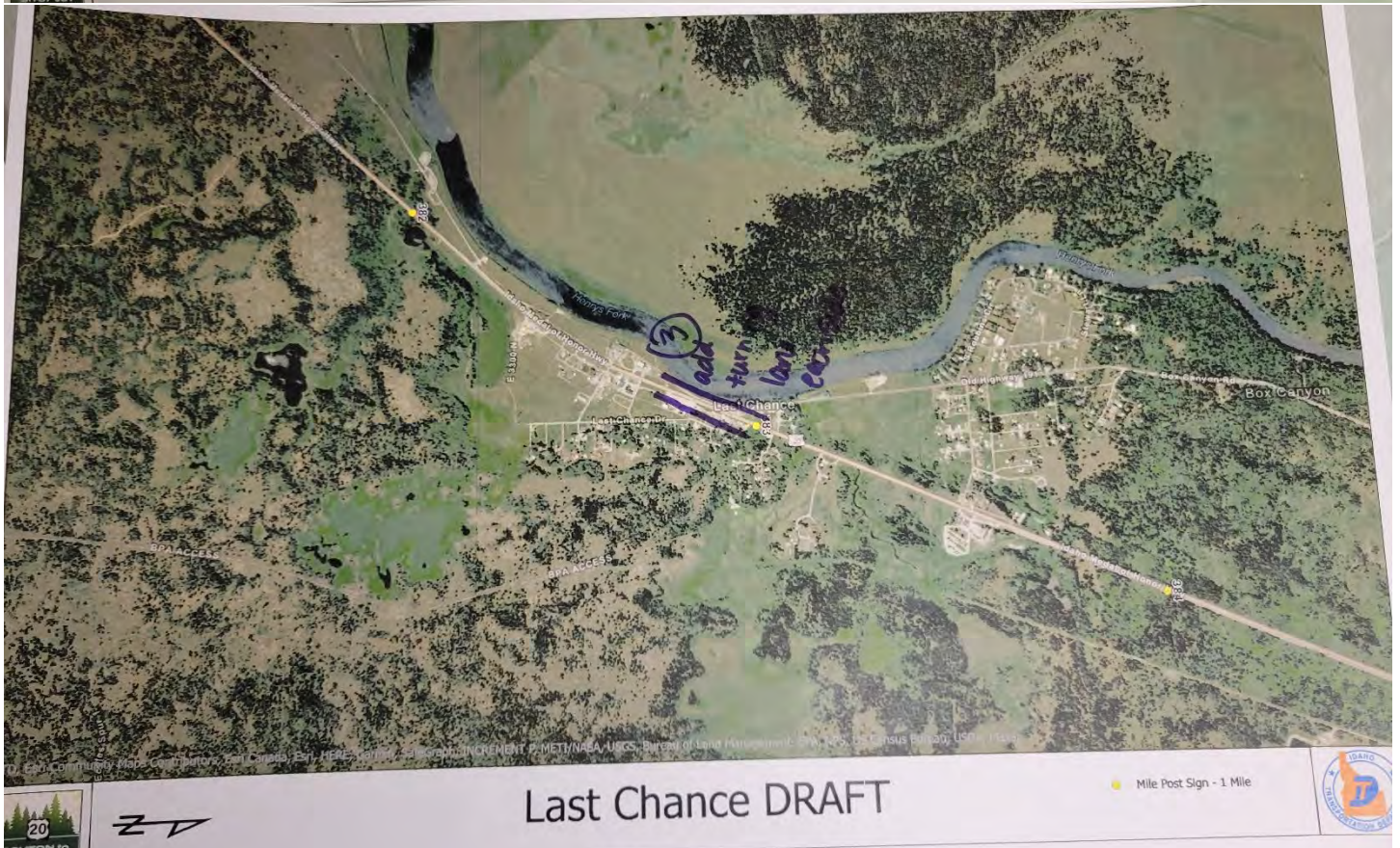
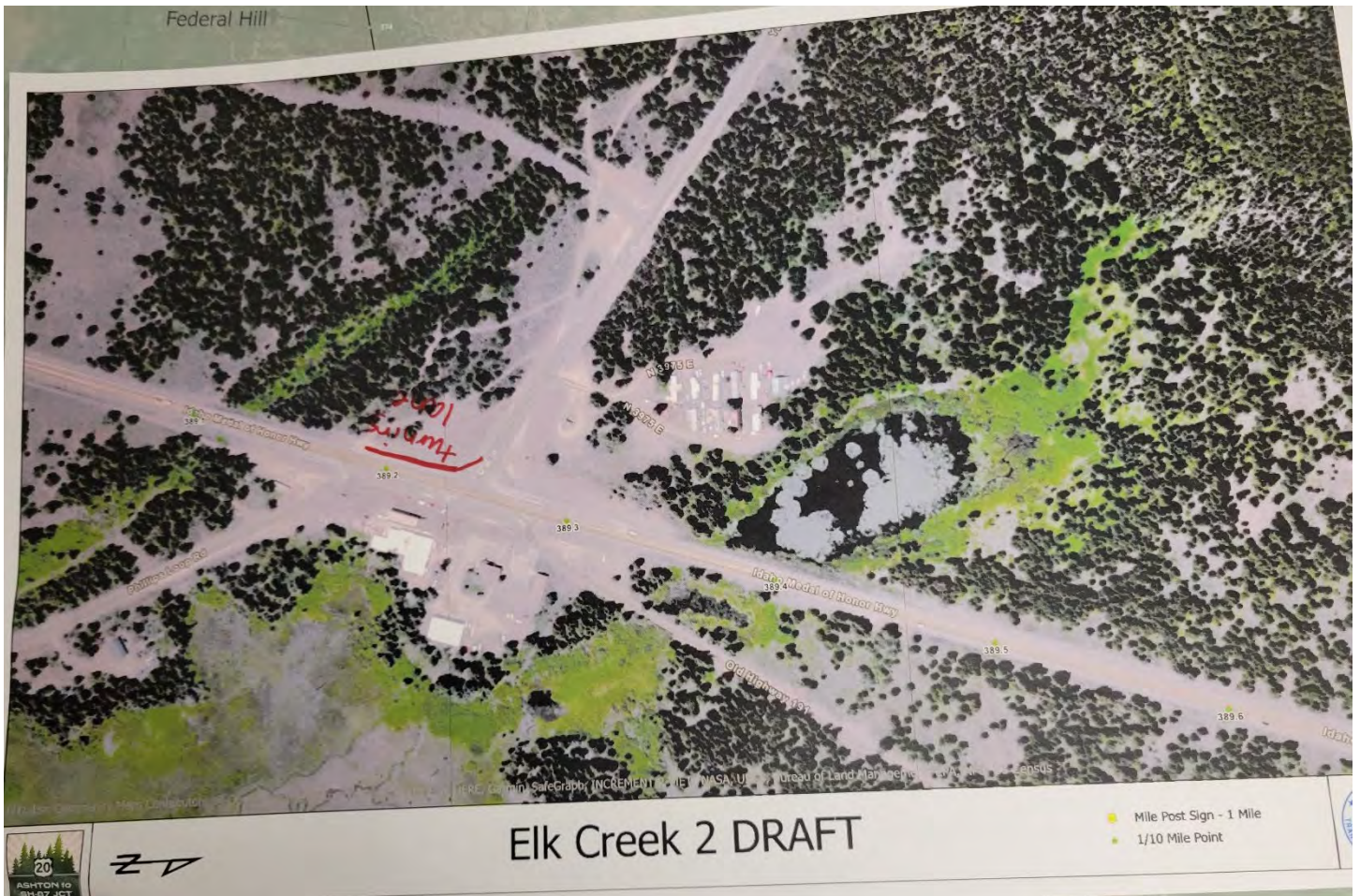
Bridge @ Mack's Inn  
w/ turn lanes @ each side  
lower local access

50-75% of traffic Memorial to Labor day  
tourist traffic

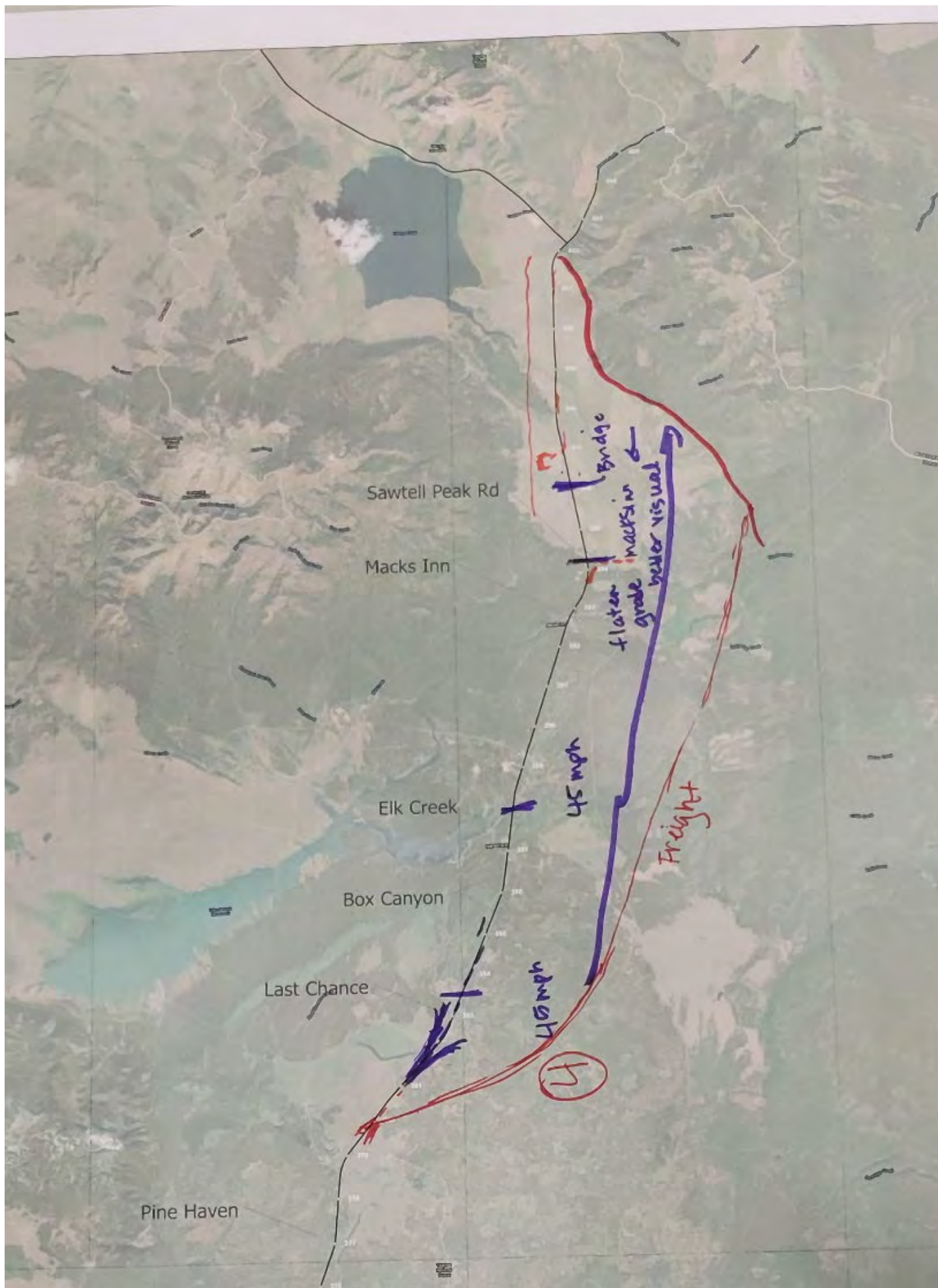














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Sam P., Eric V  
Mark

## • Timeline & Process Discussion

- PEL → NEPA → design → construction
- The 2006 "solutions" posted to Facebook are not good options for the area in Island Park
- On forest service property the easement is 100 ft to other side of centerline w/ opportunity to widen another 100 ft.
- Business owners have worked hard to have Island Park be a "stay & play" destination
  - Worried a bypass would ruin that effort
  - Could a bypass be a "freight corridor" only? or capture thru-traffic?
- Suggestion to bypass or look at bypass facility that ties back into north Island Park
  - current US 20 becomes a business loop
- Definitely need turn lanes
- The main concern at Ashton Hill is the direct subdivision access on/off US 20



Sam P. Eric V.  
Mark

- Utilize abandoned railroad track & easement
- Land on flats north of Mack Inn area for sale & ITD may want to look into it.
- Bypass should be 4-lane road
- Ashton portion of bypass suggestion: ~~Local~~ US-20 becomes local frontage road w/ interchange access to bypass portion.
- Ashton Hill should be 2-lanes each side & turnouts
- Access & needs to avoid people crossing the road (US.20)  
→ St. Anthony
- Passing in center turn lane happens all the time
- Nobody goes the speed limit
- Wildlife crossings are suggested in the Ashton Hill Federal Hill area if they work.
- Put crossings in where they cross!



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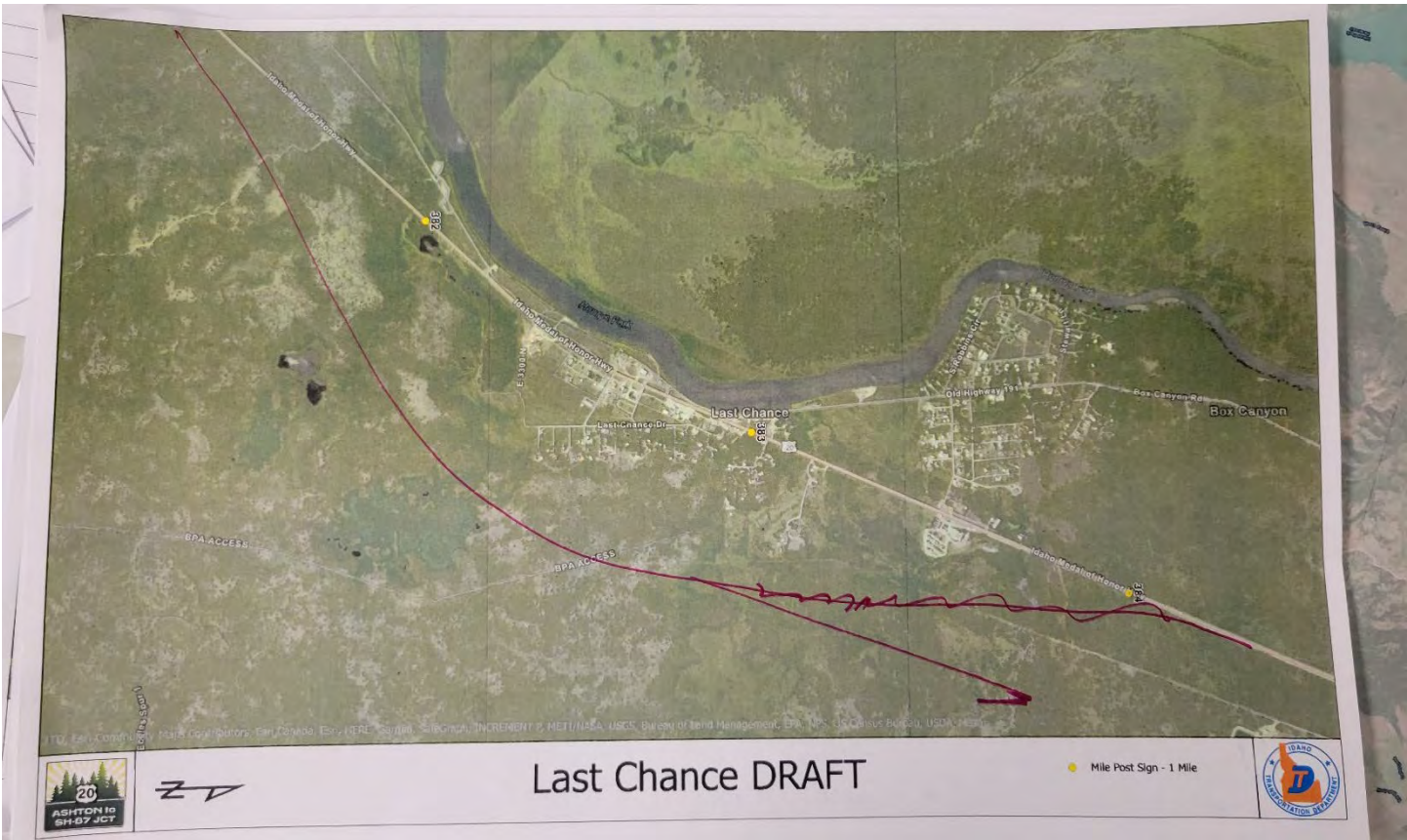
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- Avoid changing lanes from 4 to 2 or designing anything that does this. Creates bottlenecks & other issues.
- Macks Inn & Elk Creek intersections are projects ITD is looking at and they may or may not be included in US 20 project.

→ Sawtell Peak Road/ Robins Roost & highway 20 are 4-way intersections and are VERY busy







Last Chance DRAFT

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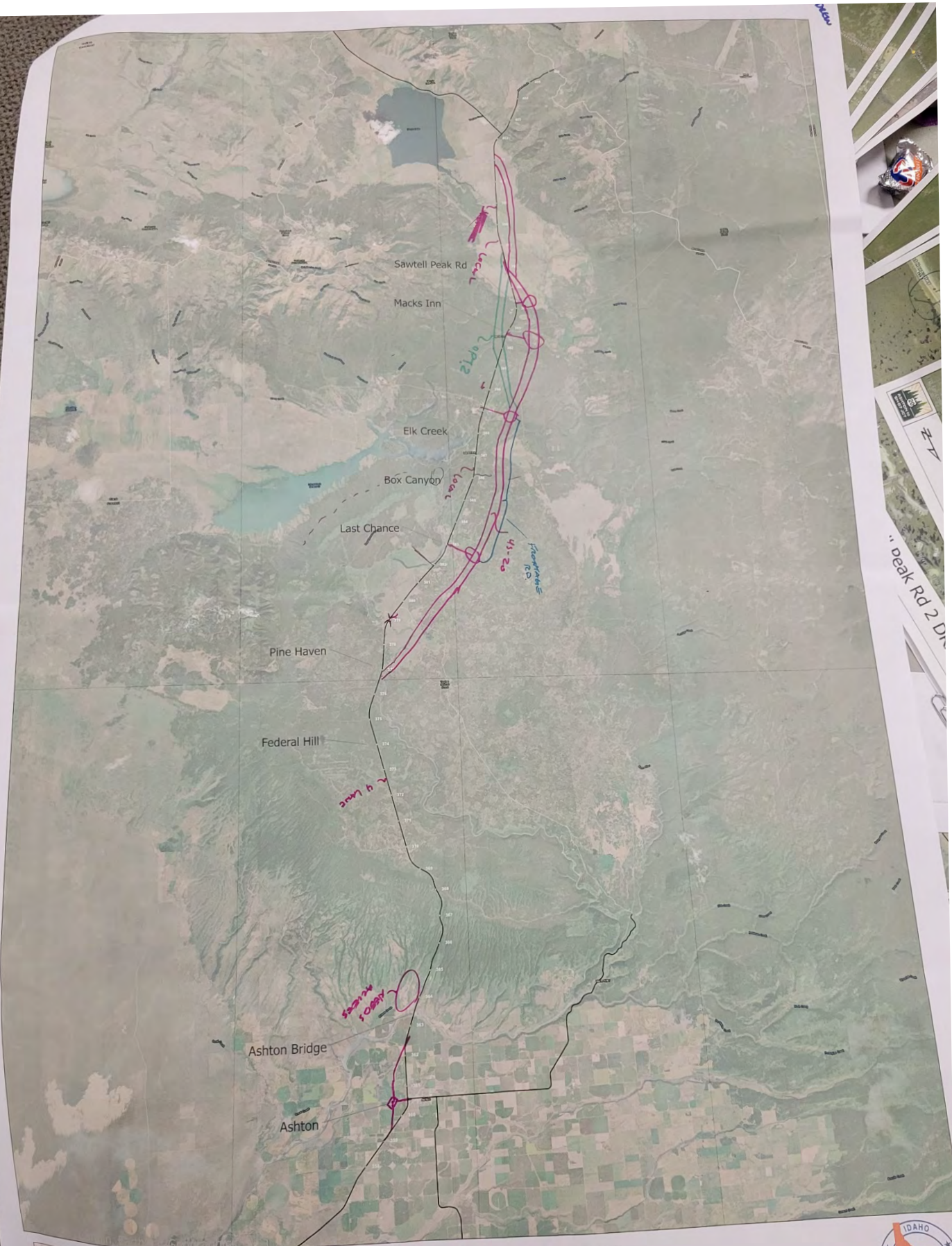




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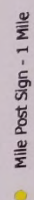
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# Sawtell Peak Rd 2 DRAFT

● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile  
● 1/10 Mile Point







## Elk Creek 1 DRAFT

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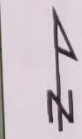


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# SALT/REPUCE GRADY ELK Creek 2 DRAFT

SALT/REPUCE GRADY ROAD





Pine Haven DRAFT







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# Sawtell Peak Rd 1 DRAFT

● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile







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## ELK CREEK

- widening @ Elk Creek affects business - being able to pump gas
- any impacts to the road would hurt the service station
- intersections causing traffic congestion.
- Temporary seasonal signals Holiday weekends or May-Sept.

### Stop lights

- ~~Elk Creek~~ Yale Kilgore to Hwy 20 (Elk Creek)
- Sawdell Road where Robins Road is junction } something to facilitate movement of traffic during heavy congestion

### Concerns

- Slow down MPH to 45 through Island Park
- ~~Elk Creek~~ concerned about a stop light being added to location approaching Macks Inn coming over hill, it would create issues with trucks trying to stop

- If they do a four-lane, how will it affect businesses? And would it be the same alignment +

→ and how would they acquire the space?

- Stakeholder saw 2005 plans for 4-lane hwy that bypasses all businesses
  - very concerned about this if it moves forward
- Speed is a big factor. Need to reduce speed.
  - the amount of time that it saves to keep speed same is inconsequential
- Concerned about any plans to bypass businesses

Need better trails for recreational vehicles parallel to US-20 and then also the viewpoints for them to cross



- Instead of expanding the highway and/or bypassing businesses, we need to regulate by lower speed limit and add stoplights.
  - another stakeholder echoed this same sentiment
- Need stoplights at following locations -
  - At Mack's Inn or just prior to Mack's Inn
  - At Shotgun (Elk Creek)
- Would prefer to not add stoplights. He likes that there are no stoplights currently.
- Does not want any overpass at Yale Road where it would affect a property
  - this overpass was referenced in old plans
- Concrete underpasses Last Chance, Elk Creek, Mack's Inn & Sawtell
  - For recreational vehicles
- We need scales for truck traffic.
- Stoplight controlled intersections need to be added
- ~~SP~~ Need to have better enforcement for speed limits
- Need better trails for recreational vehicles parallel to US-20 and then also the underpasses for them to cross

- We need infrastructure to support growth
- For Mack's Inn area, we need turn lanes
- Don't change main street into a frontage road
- Let's add an alternate route from Yale Kilgore to Rexburg
- Improve Yale Kilgore to provide a secondary route
  - We would have to have an overpass or something at the US intersection due to traffic merging
  - It would also give us another way out of town in case of emergency
- Better signage, warning signs south & north
- Bridge at Mack's Inn needs to be widened to accommodate ATVs
- Need new ATV trails
- Concerned about how wildlife crossing fencing will impact ATVs
- The # of wildlife crashes on 20, doesn't justify/warrant overpasses
- Worst roads are from Ashton to Idaho Falls, not this stretch
- Anything we do needs to include rec vehicle trails and crossings



- offset parallel trails with crossings
- Add scales to US-20
- Need freight enforcement
- Don't see the ability to have overpasses at every slow down because there's not enough room.
- Access to Pine Haven Drive on the south side
- Better turn lanes and widening access along the corridor is the best solution
- Improve Frontage Road at Last Chance
- Improve Frontage Road at Pond's Lodge
- 4-lane at Federal Hill
- 4 lanes in Ashton with center turn lane
- Bypass is best way to go for long-term
- Add Frontage Road from Mack's to Elk Creek

- Overpasses away from existing businesses
  - in between businesses
- alternative interchange design
- Include representatives in the community to be involved in next steps between now & next time you bring ideas back to the public
- Add alternate route out of town



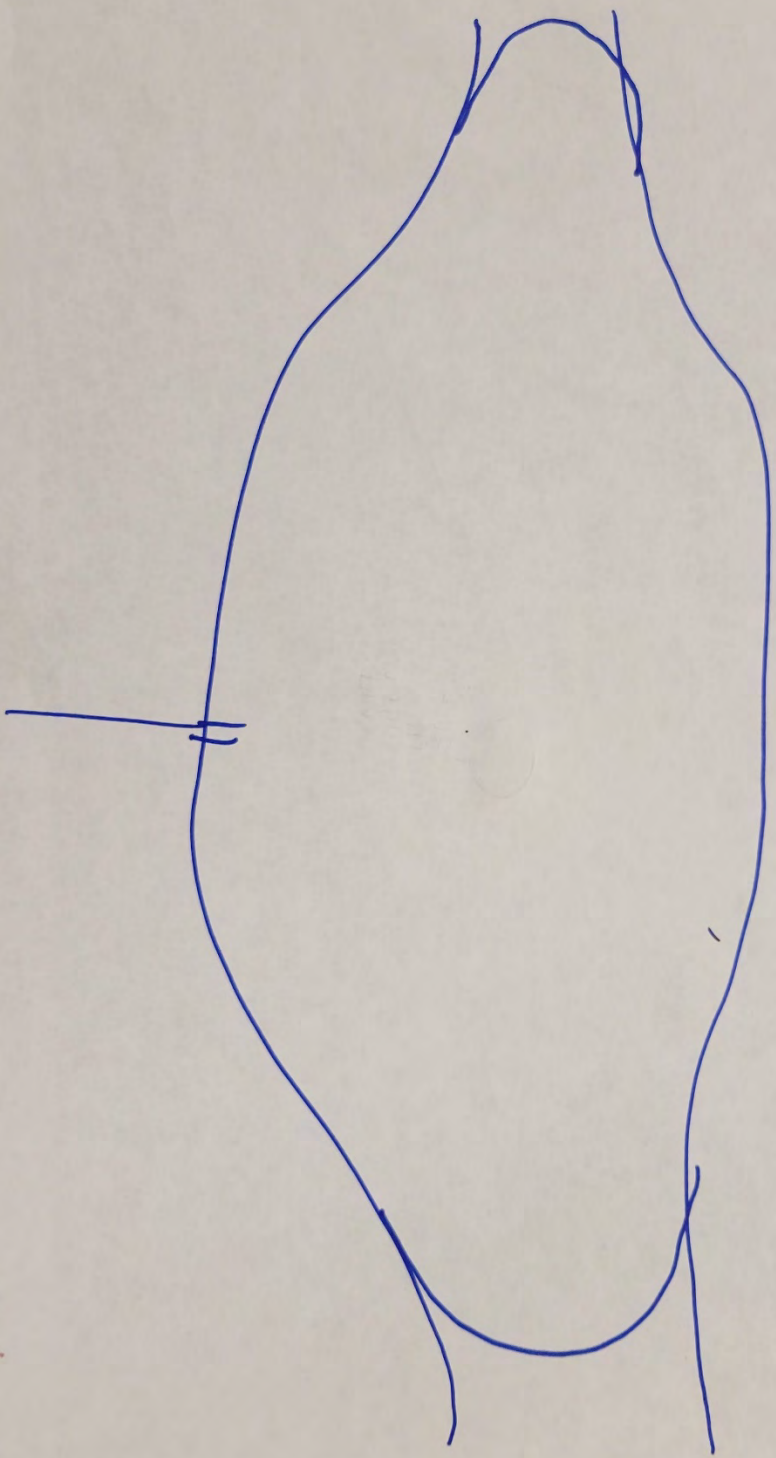


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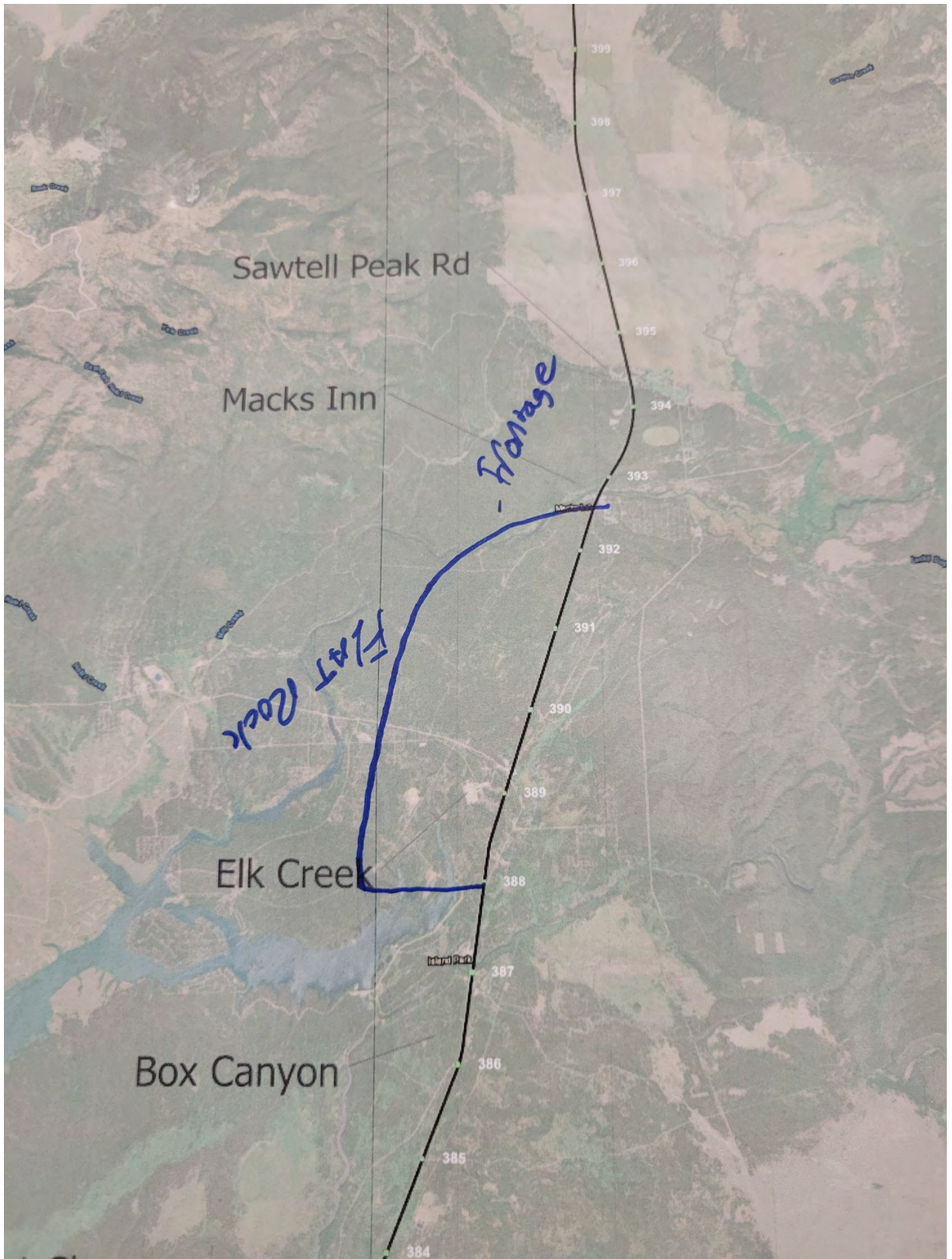


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Box Canyon



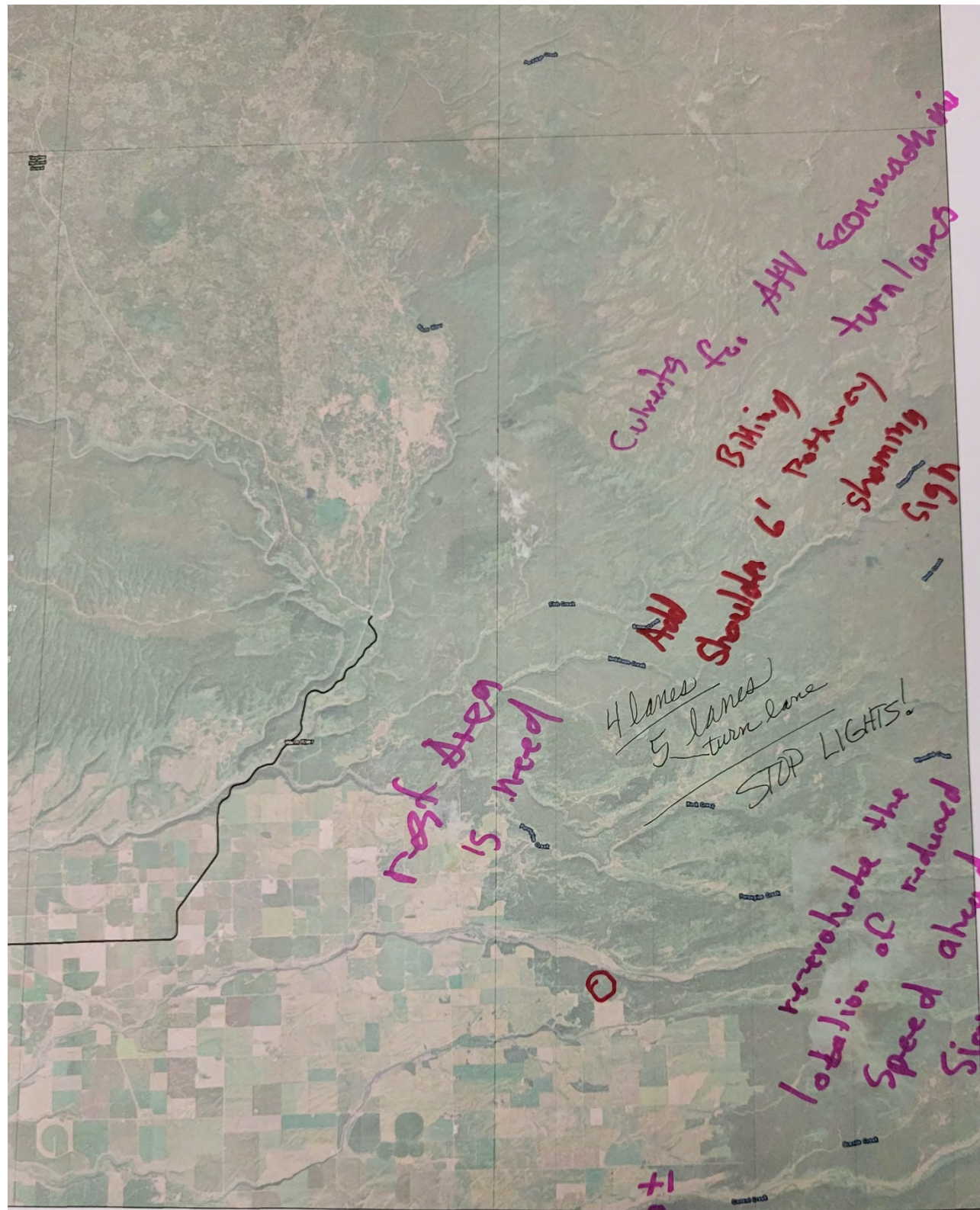




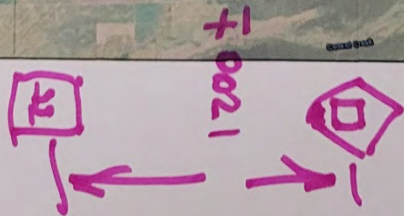
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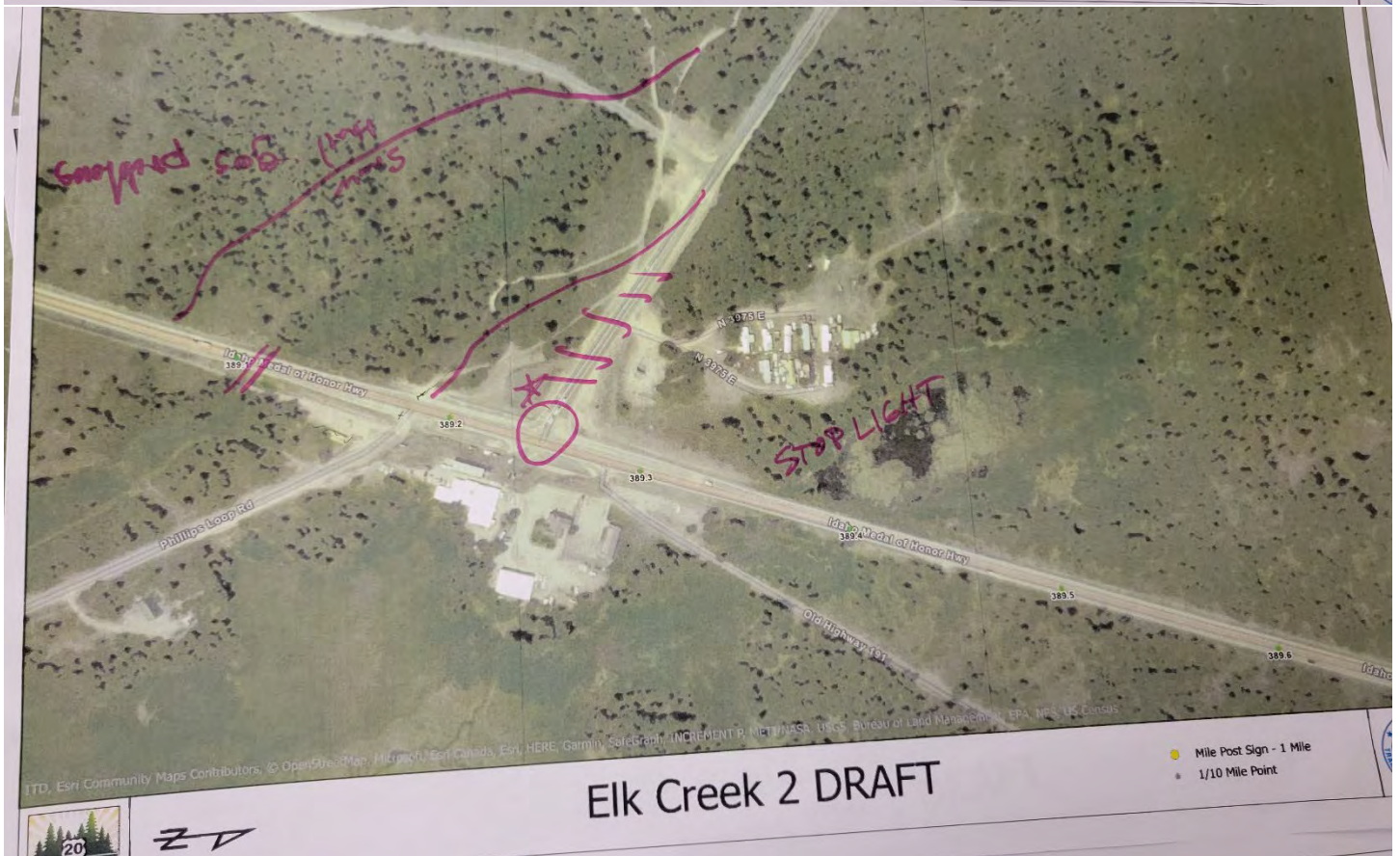
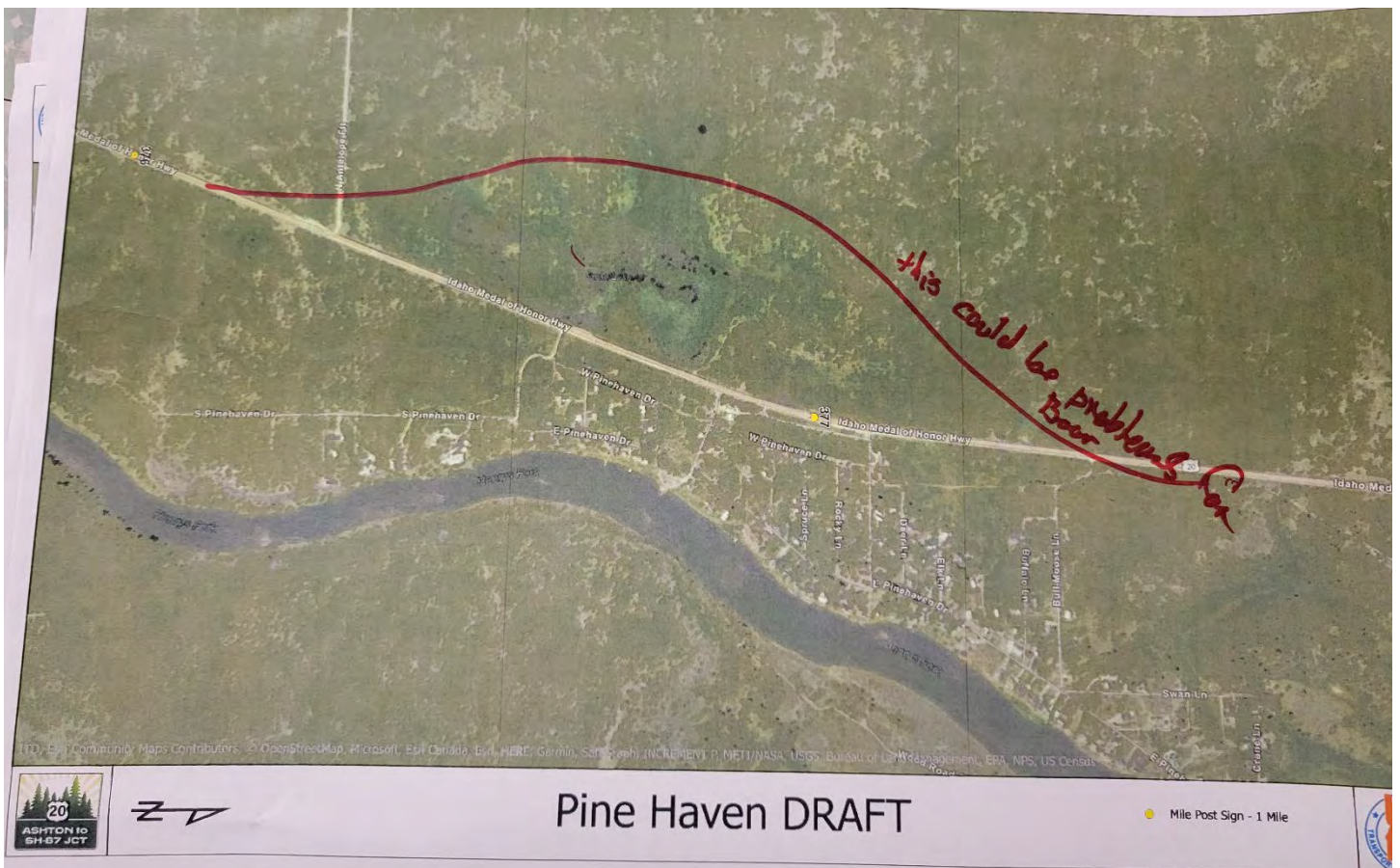




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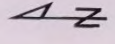






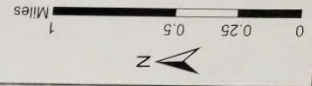
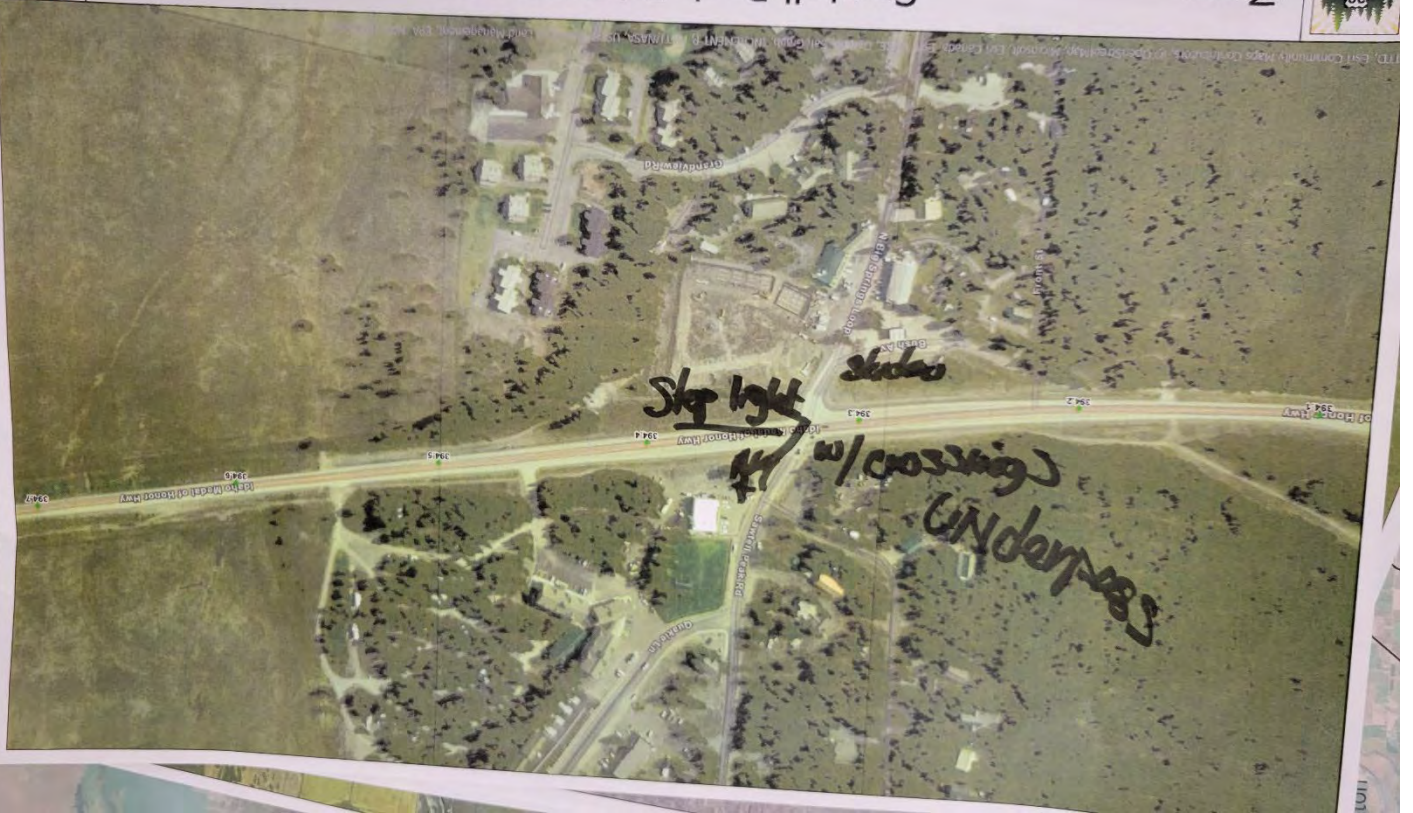




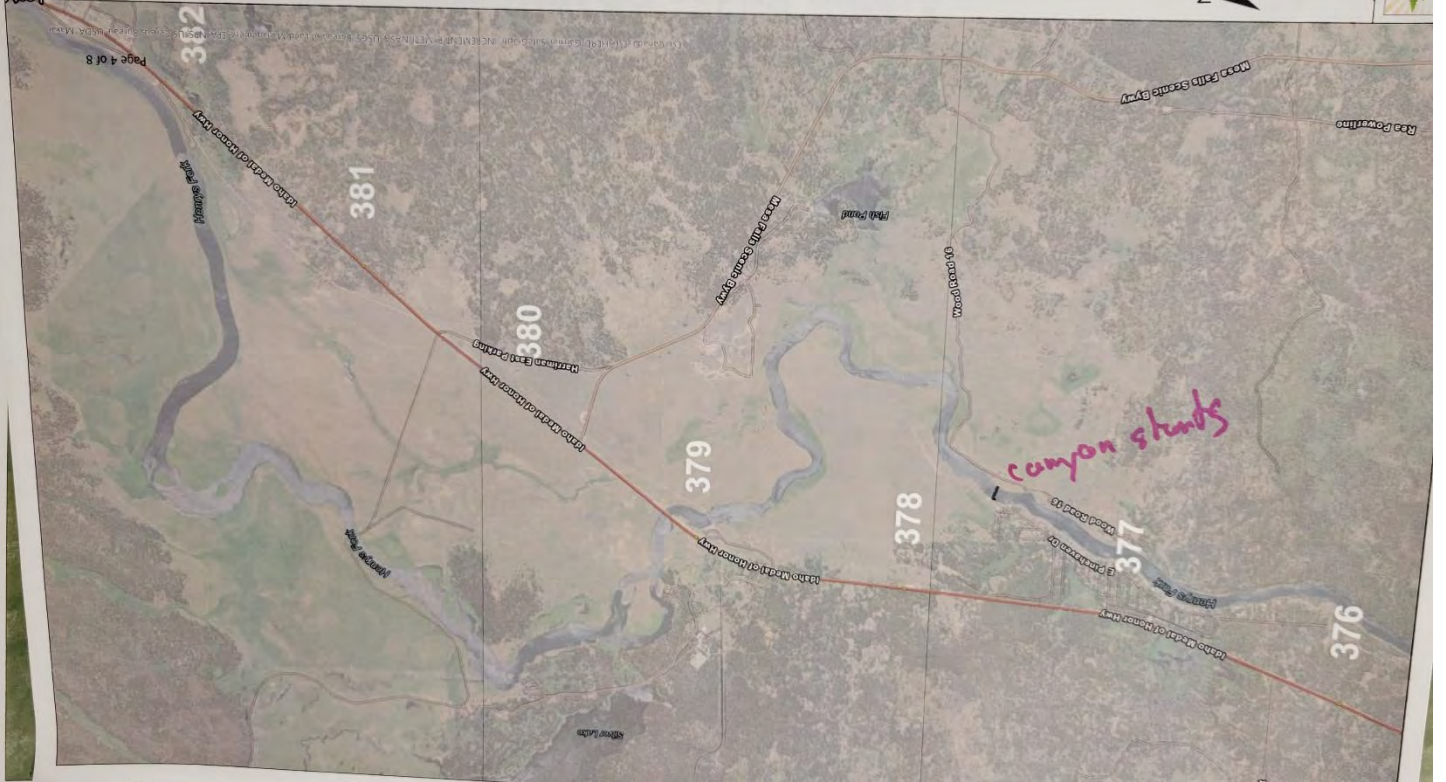


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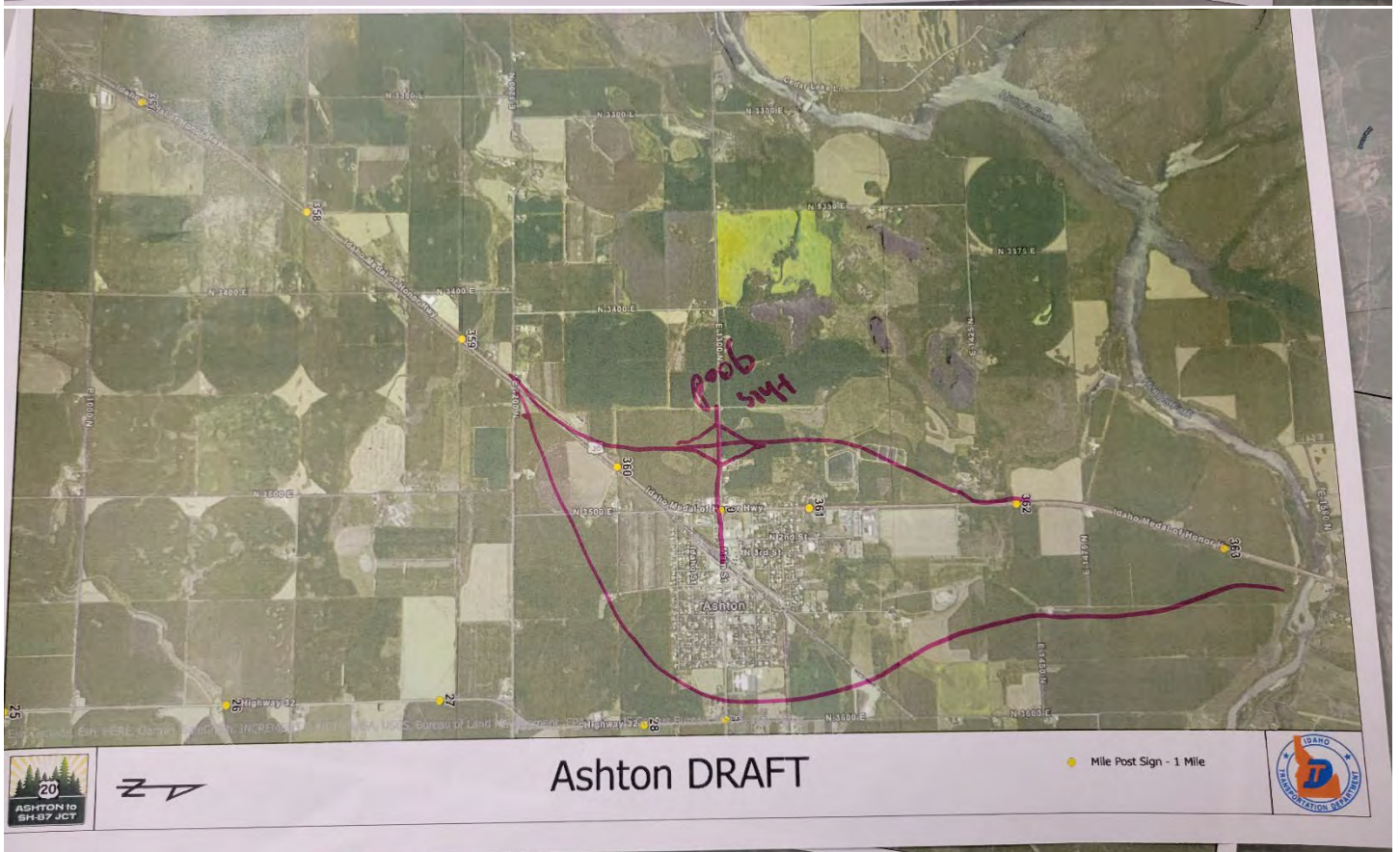
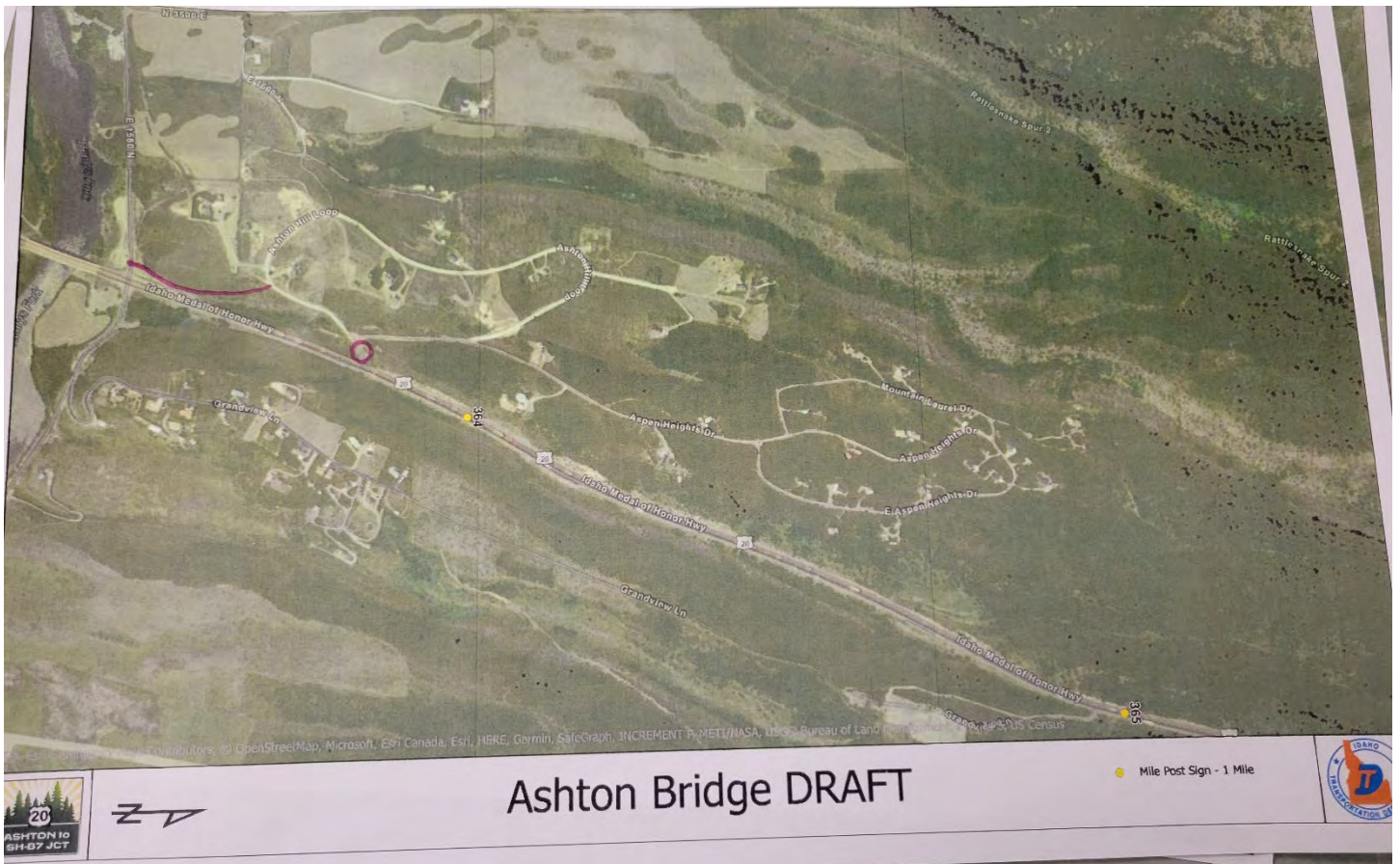
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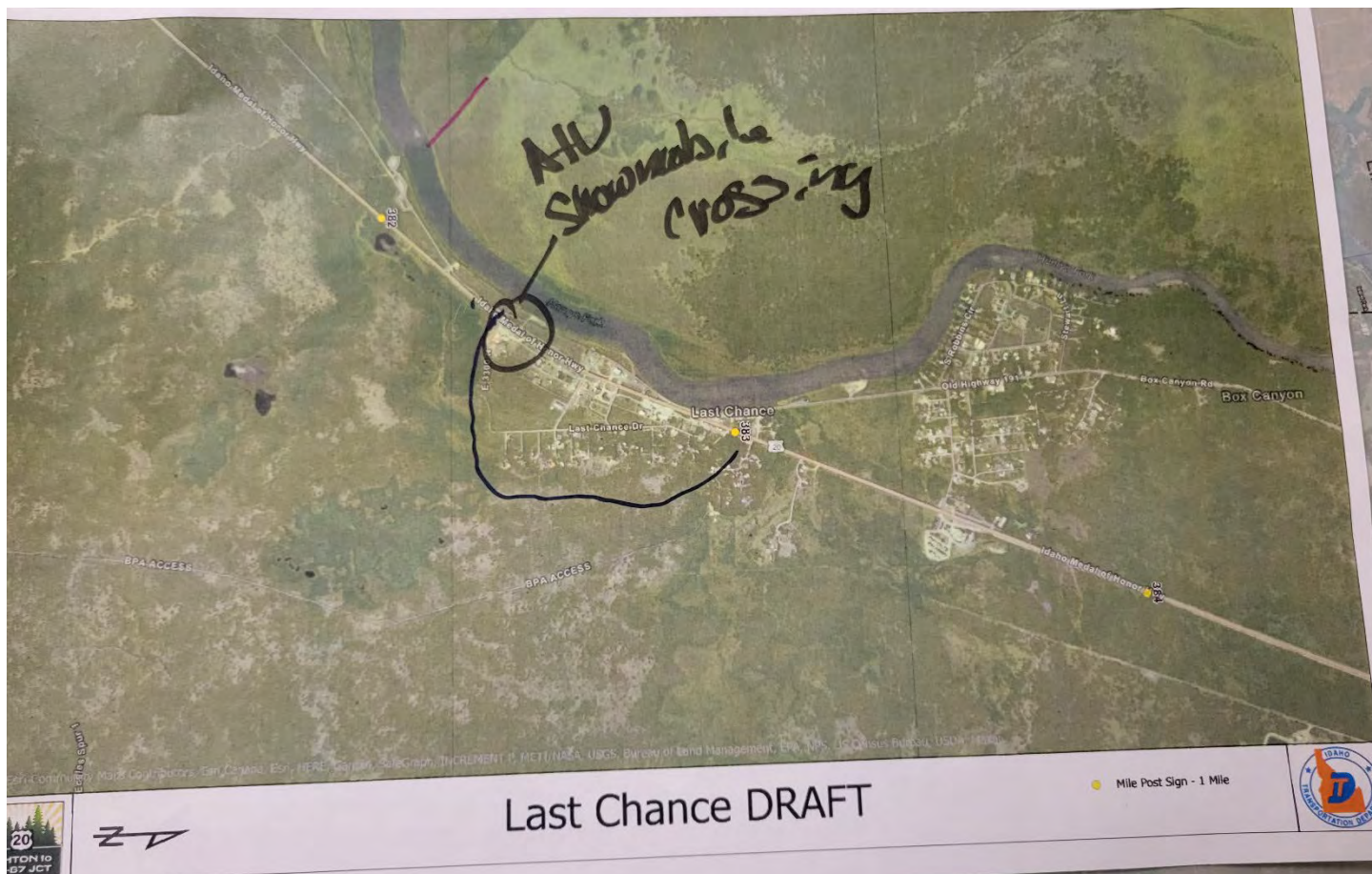
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## Parking Lot

- Speed / tourists / truckers (45 mph?)  
↓ lower
- Night time speed limit
- Passing lanes, 3 lanes where applicable  
Turn lanes, merging lane, acceleration lane
- Bus stop safety for children
- Tour bus traffic & local businesses / Add rest area
- More pull outs / places to pull over
- Add signage for approaching pullouts  
↓  
Better



- Large rest area for tour buses
- Pedestrian / ATV / Snow machine underpass near Robin's Roost
- More control over where ATVs / Snow machines cross - safely
- Raunch bounts
- Driver feedback signs
- Improve visibility to mitigate WVC  
↳ setbacks
- Tree clearing on Federal Hill
- Passing lanes both UP & DOWN Ashton Hill

- No 4 lane divided highway
- 4 lanes with barrier — well lit (visible) \* tough to plan
- More enforcement of reckless drivers
- Aligning concerns w/ law enforcement

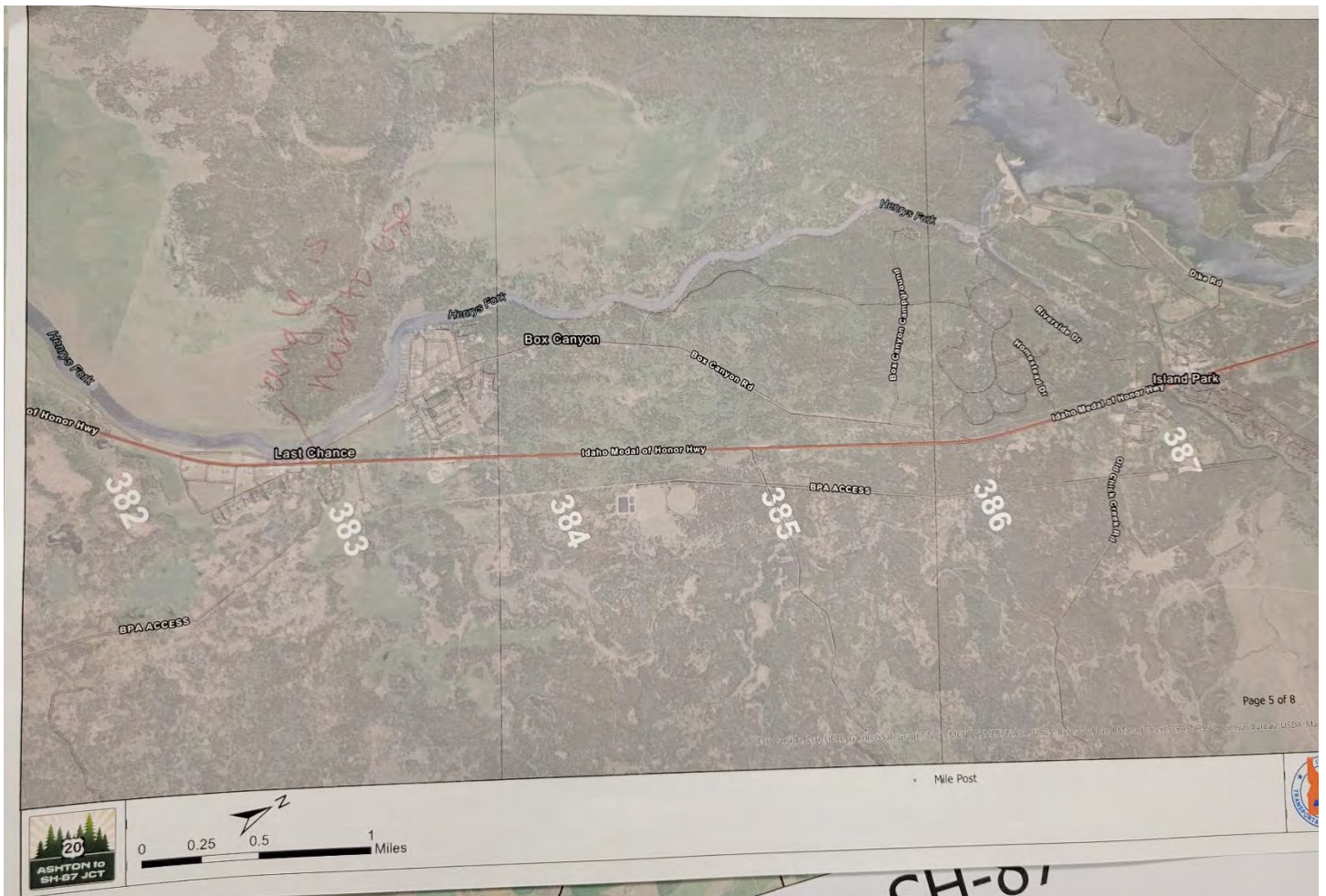
### Intersections of concern:

- Elk Creek Station
- Mack's Inn — realign intersection at top of hill — improve visibility (low down)
- Yalo Kilgore — Add interchange here
  - ↳ Provide options for floaters to merge back onto Hwy
- Raised Highway w/ underpasses & turn lanes
  - ↳ For ATV & snow machines
- Frontage Roads
- Public Parking @ Mack's Inn w/ signage

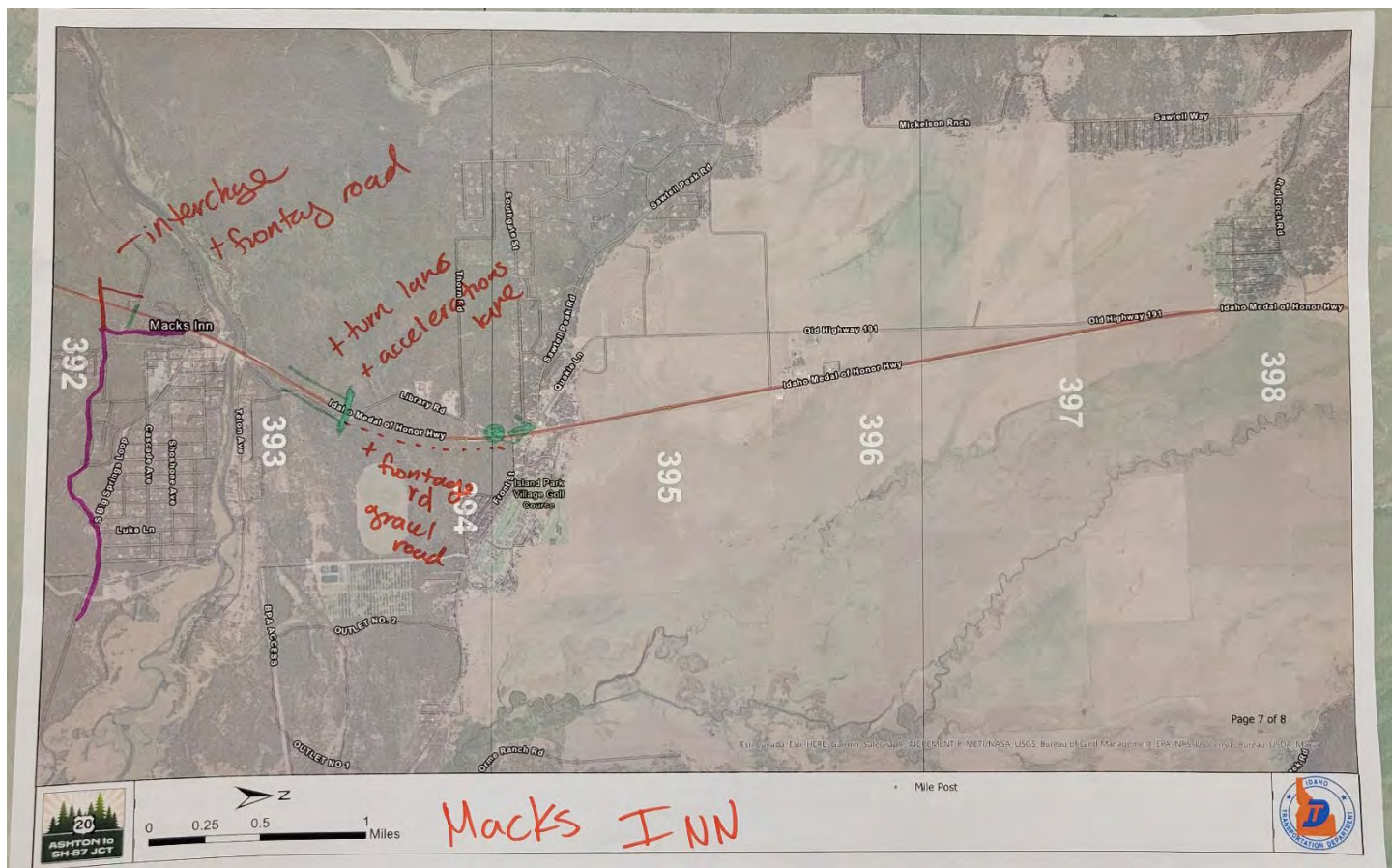


- Increased enforcement of county ordinance for private land owners
- Improve/ frontage road & access @ Mack's Inn  
lengthen
- Add more trails for recreation off highway - better trail system  
(multi-use)
- Balance Between Trails & wildlife impact
- enhanced signs w/ sensors (same as Yellowstone?)
- School Bus pull outs
  - talk to school district

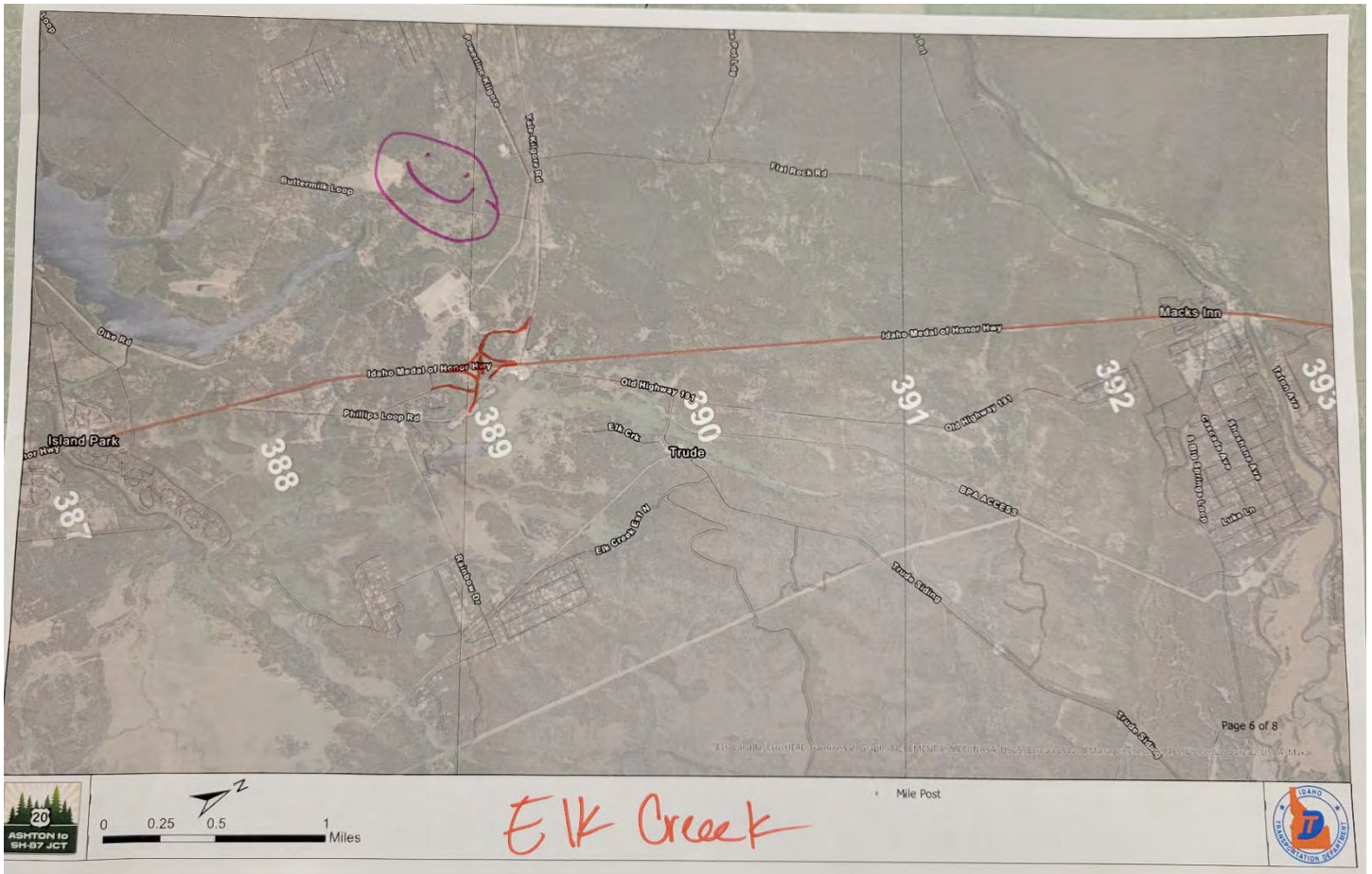




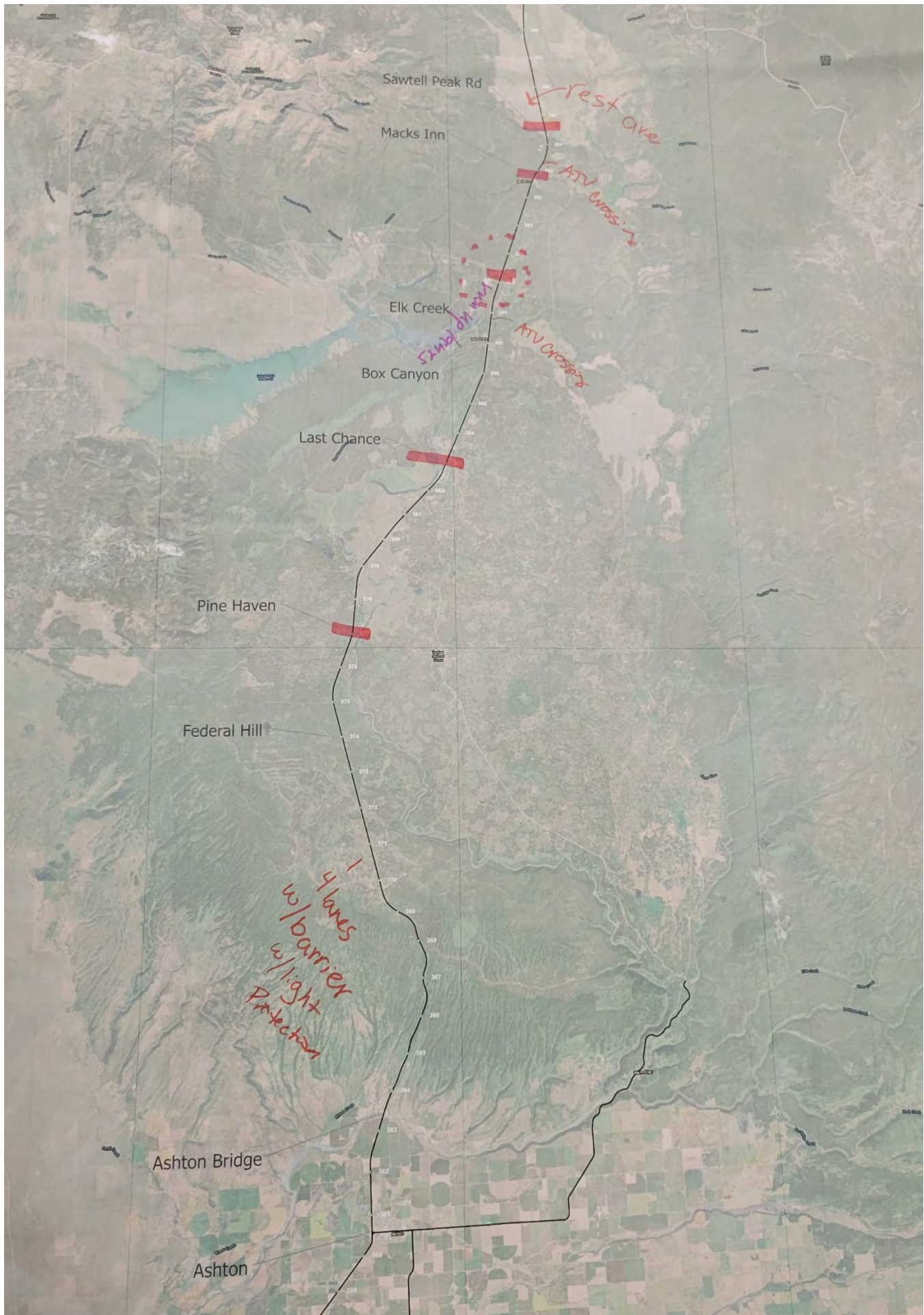














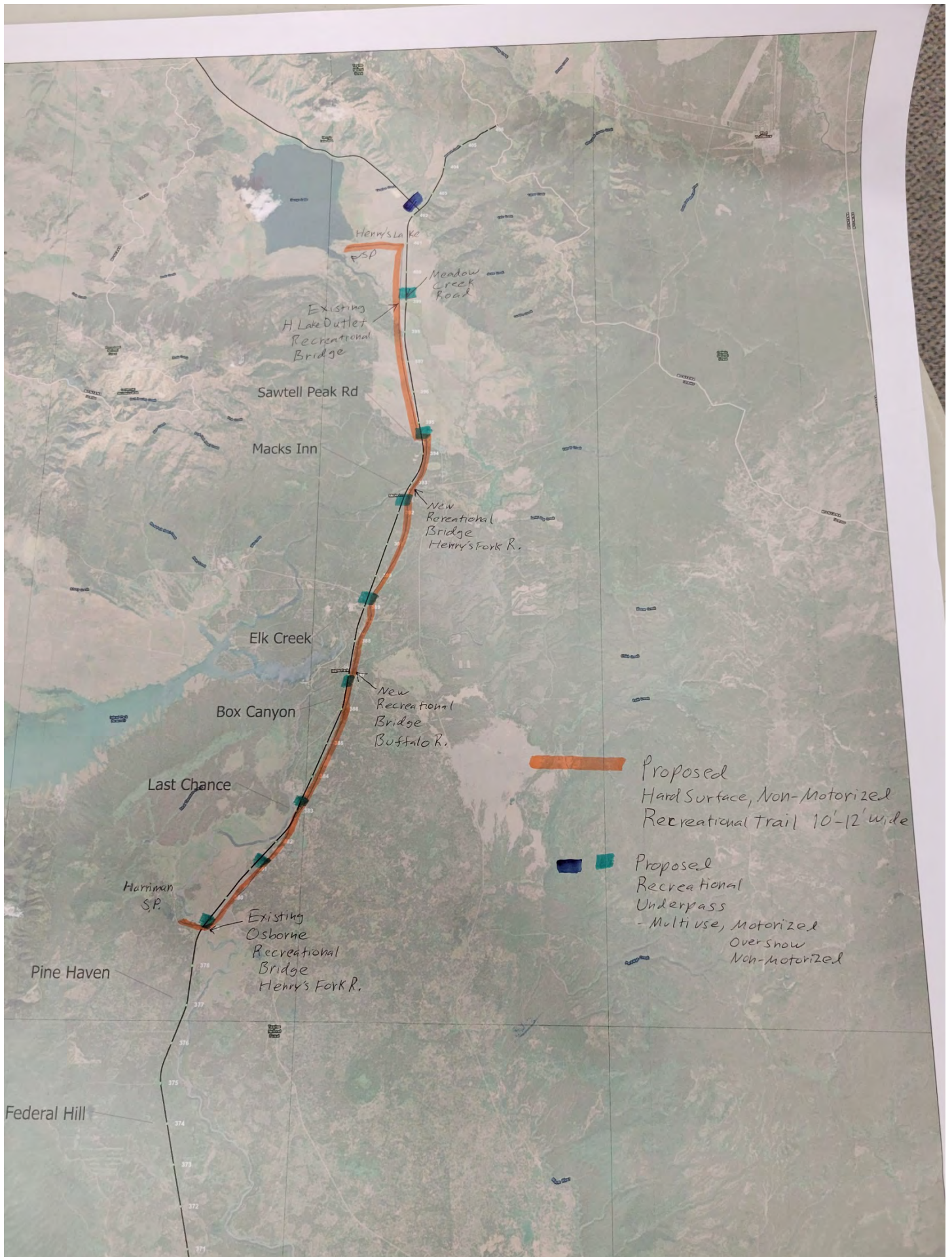
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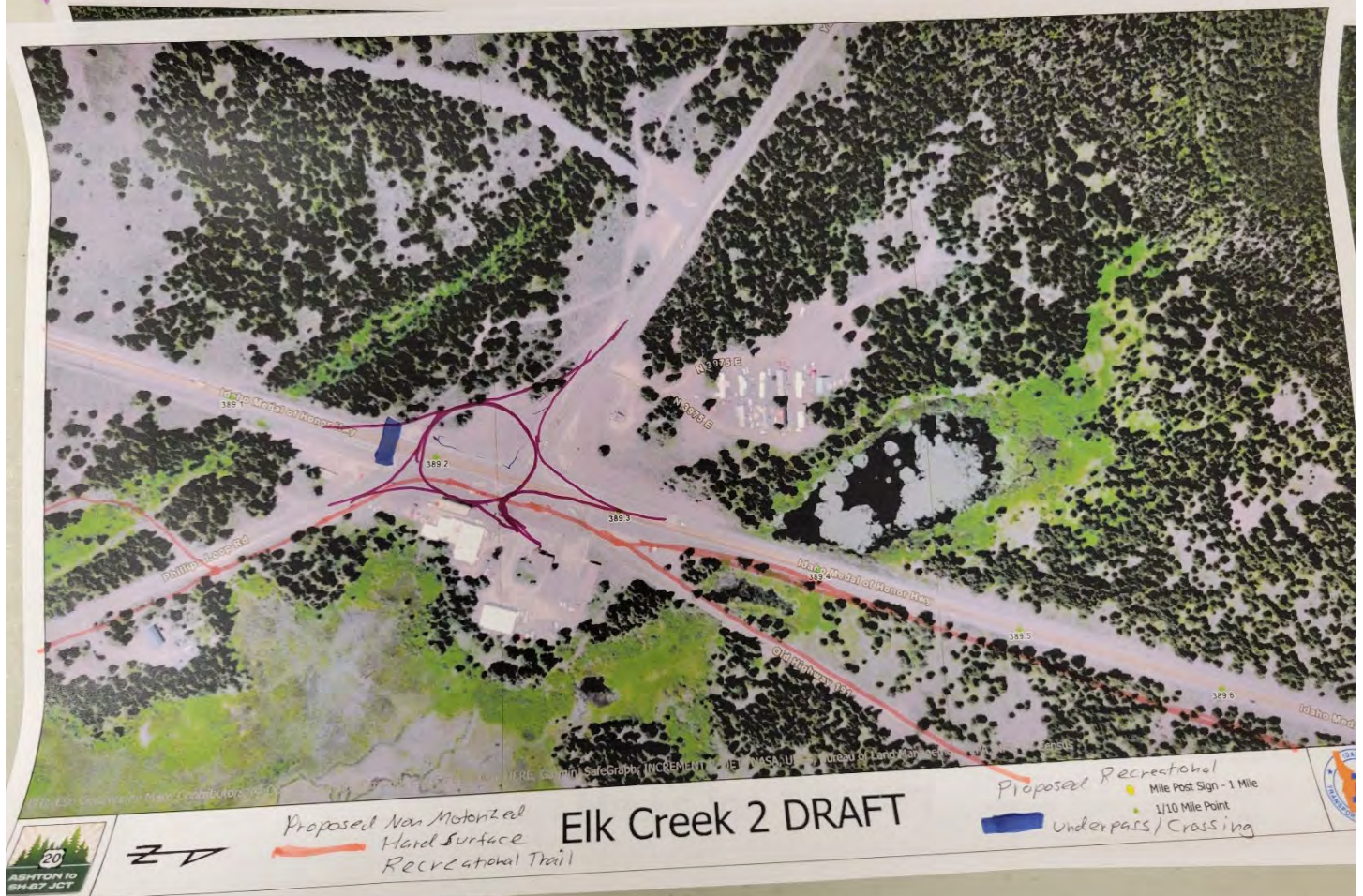
Motorized and non-motorized to  
Harriman St park to Henry lak  
Shared?











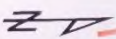








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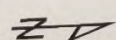
Proposed Non-Motorized  
Hard Surface  
Recreational Trail

## Sawtell Peak Rd 1 DRAFT

Proposed Recreational  
Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile  
Underpass Crossing



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Proposed Non-Motorized  
Hard Surface  
Recreational Trail

## Sawtell Peak Rd 2 DRAFT

Proposed Recreational  
Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile  
1/10 Mile Point / Crossing  
Underpass







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**Group 9**



# Purpose & Need

- Wildlife crossing
  - underpass crossing
  - no fences
- Trail access
  - new multi-use trails
  - existing trail connectivity
    - unsafe to bike on U.S. 20
    - away from highway
    - ex. Rail Trail
  - road above on stilts
- Treat each area individually
- Safe crossing
  - Ponds Lodge
  - Macks Inn
  - Last Chance
  - South End Phillips Loop Road
  - Elk Creek
- more signage
- wildlife overpasses
- concern for fencing
- concern for cost
- ~~more~~ Aesthetics
  - beautification efforts
- coordination with Forest Service & State Parks.
  - ex. Herriman State Park

[need mitigation]

## MACEY

- 3 Lane Road alt. passing lane

## Ashton Hill

- middle lane for both sides of traffic

## Concerns about grade

- \* - no bypass near Last Chance
- Turn lane in Last Chance
  - same at Macks Inn
  - pocket right hand turn lanes
- Connection to U.S. 20 near Trout Hunter - avoids Last Chance bypass
- no traffic issues in Last Chance
  - cars use turn lanes as passing lanes
  - more turn pockets

- Bottleneck concern near S.H. 87 if U.S. 20 is widened



# ROUNDABOUTS

## PRO

safer  
traffic flow  
slower

## CON

- accommodating  
Semi-trucks

Configuration of Elk  
creek

No bypass at Last chance

- Trout Hunter connection

- No traffic lights

- roundabouts better at places with  
pedestrian traffic

- Kilgore / Elk Creek

- Macks Inn

- ~~Too~~ Too many access points @ Elk  
creek

- realign intersection  
& add frontage road

- free right turn on to U.S. 20  
from Kilgore

- responsibility of ITD to  
clean up business access — not  
business

~~Macks Inn~~ Sawtell peak

- Turn lanes

- ATV underpass

Macks Inn

- ped bridge - growth & connectivity

- potential roundabout

- access to hotel



# ROUNDAABOUTS

## PRO

- safer
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- slower

## CON

- accommodating semi-trucks

### reconfiguration of Elk Creek

- No bypass at Last Chance
- Trout Hunter connection

### - No traffic lights

- roundabouts better at places with pedestrian traffic

- Kilgore / Elk Creek
- Macks Inn

- ~~Too~~ Too many access points @ Elk Creek

- realign intersection & add frontage road

- free right turn on to U.S. 20 from Kilgore

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### ~~Macks Inn~~ Sawtell Peak

- Turn lanes
- ATV underpass

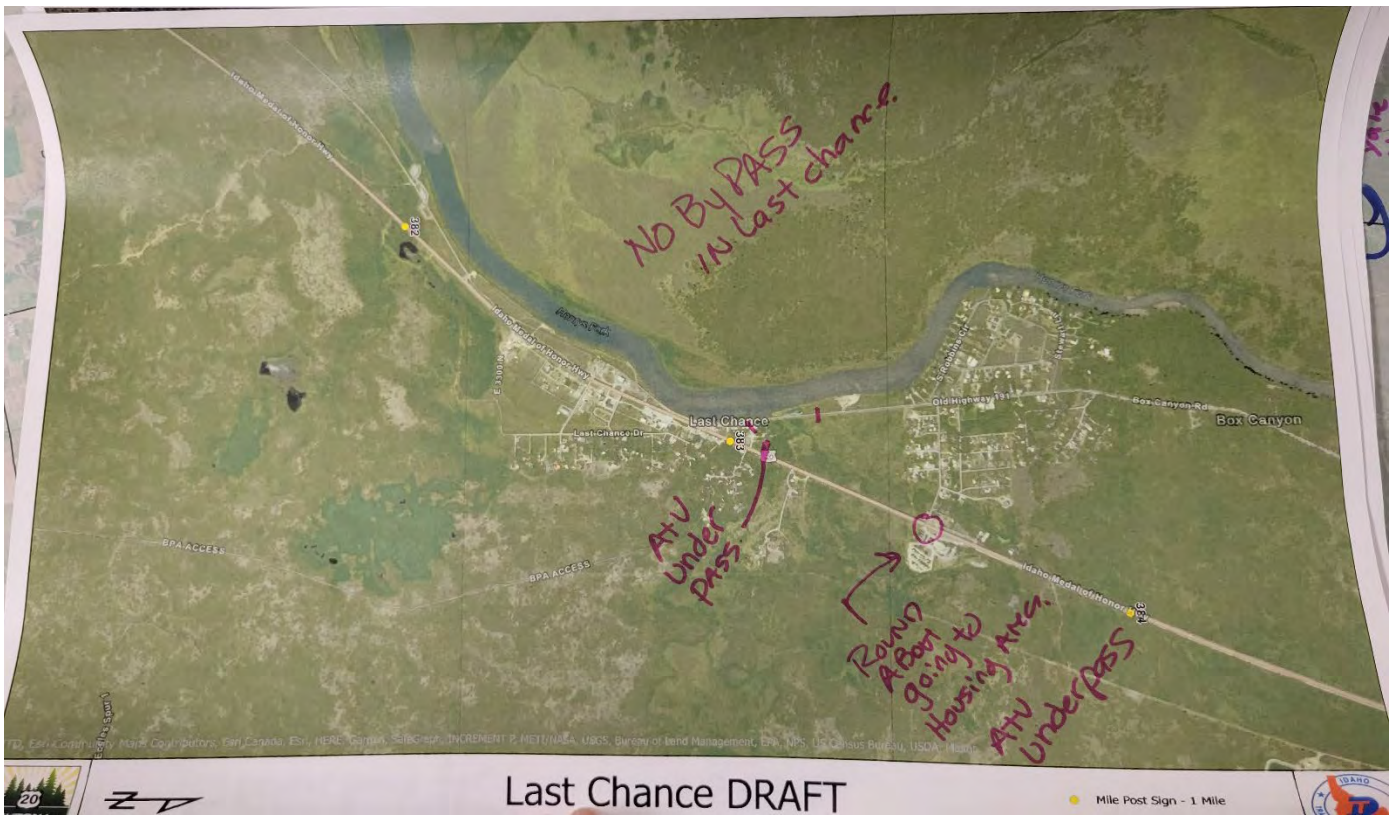
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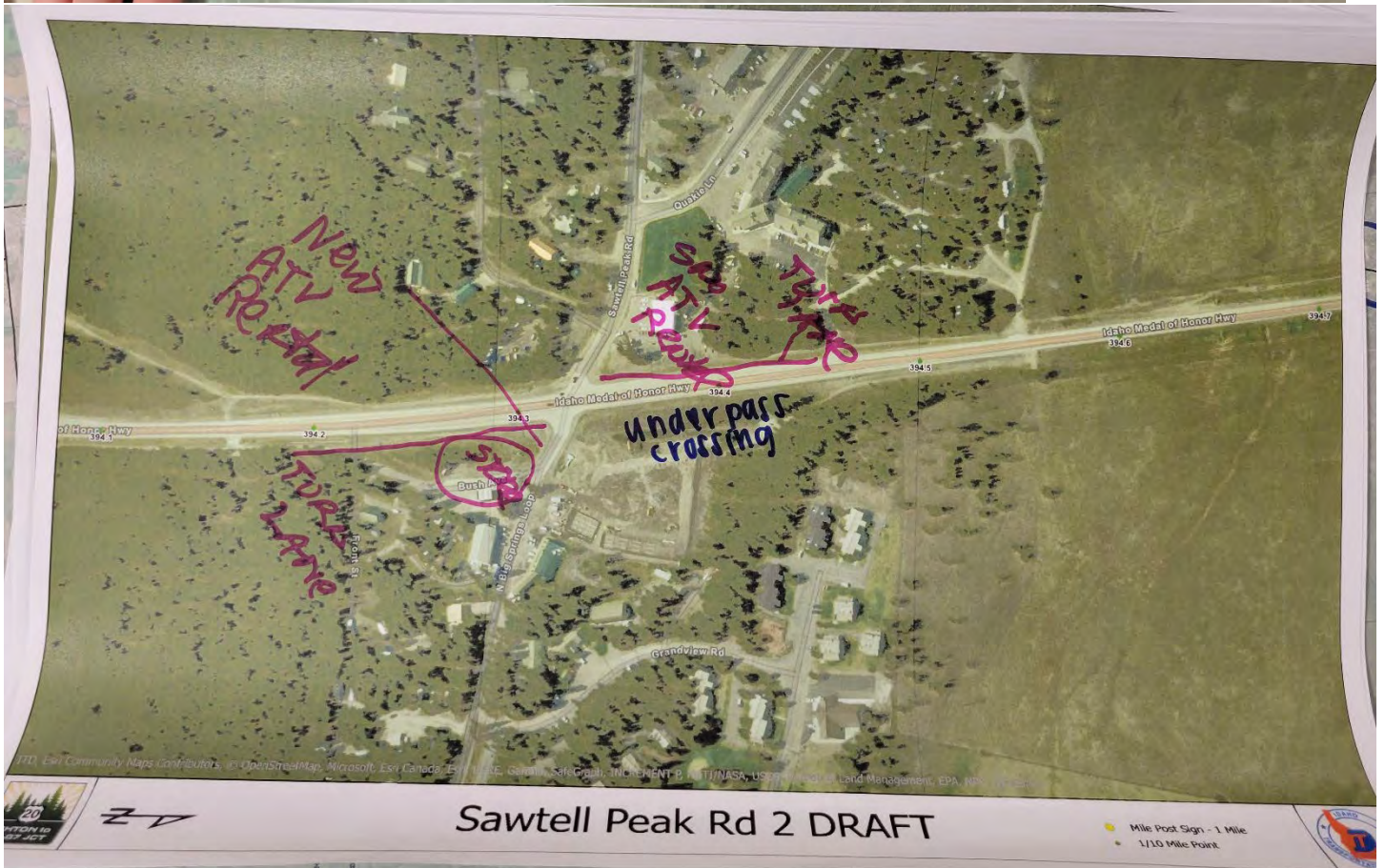


















Wildlife crossing mitigation  
for elk, deer, moose, and bear  
in the areas recommended  
by IDFG.

Federal Hill DRAFT

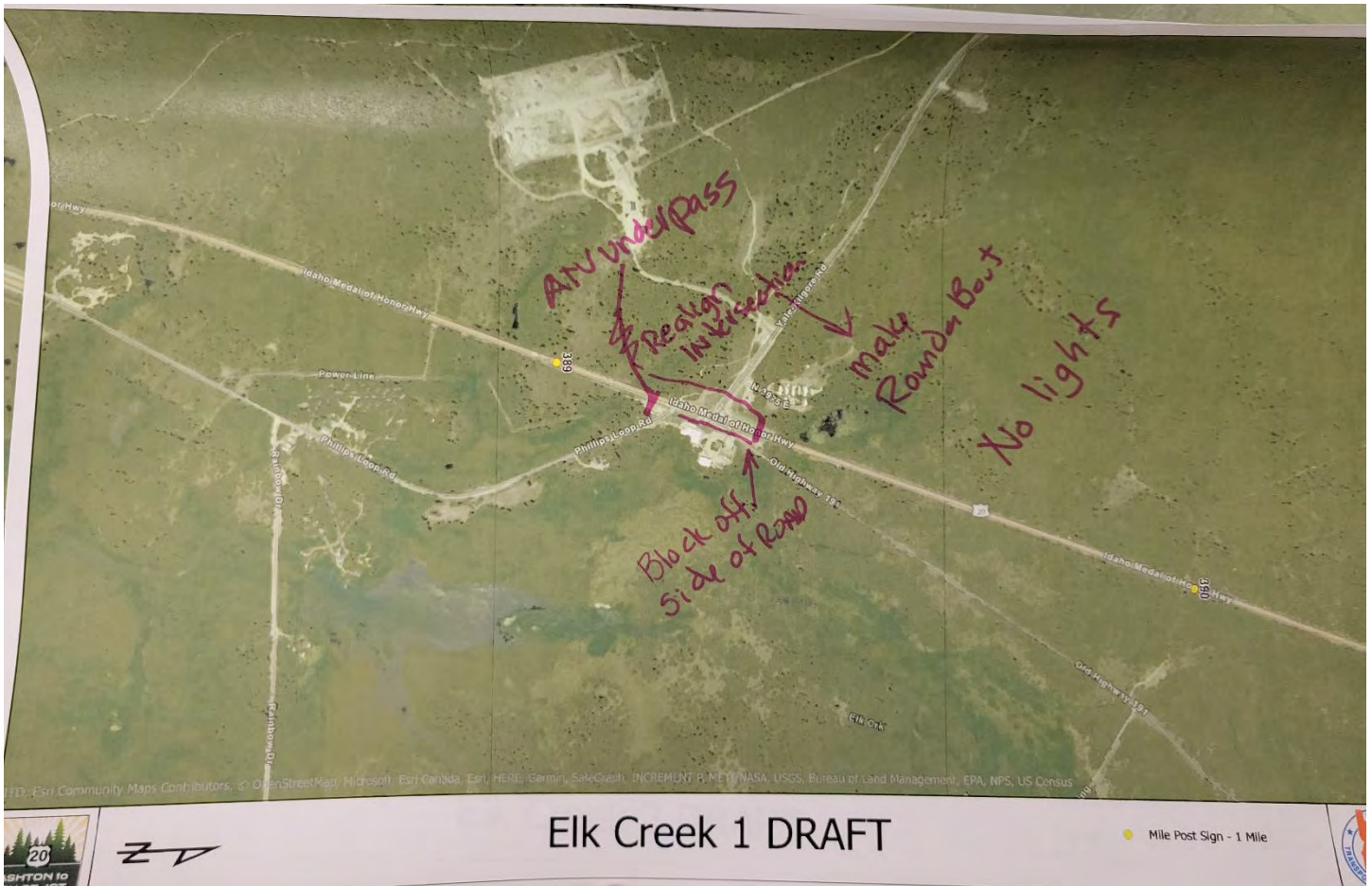
Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile

Safe crossing in  
at least one of  
these places for  
cyclists/pedestrians

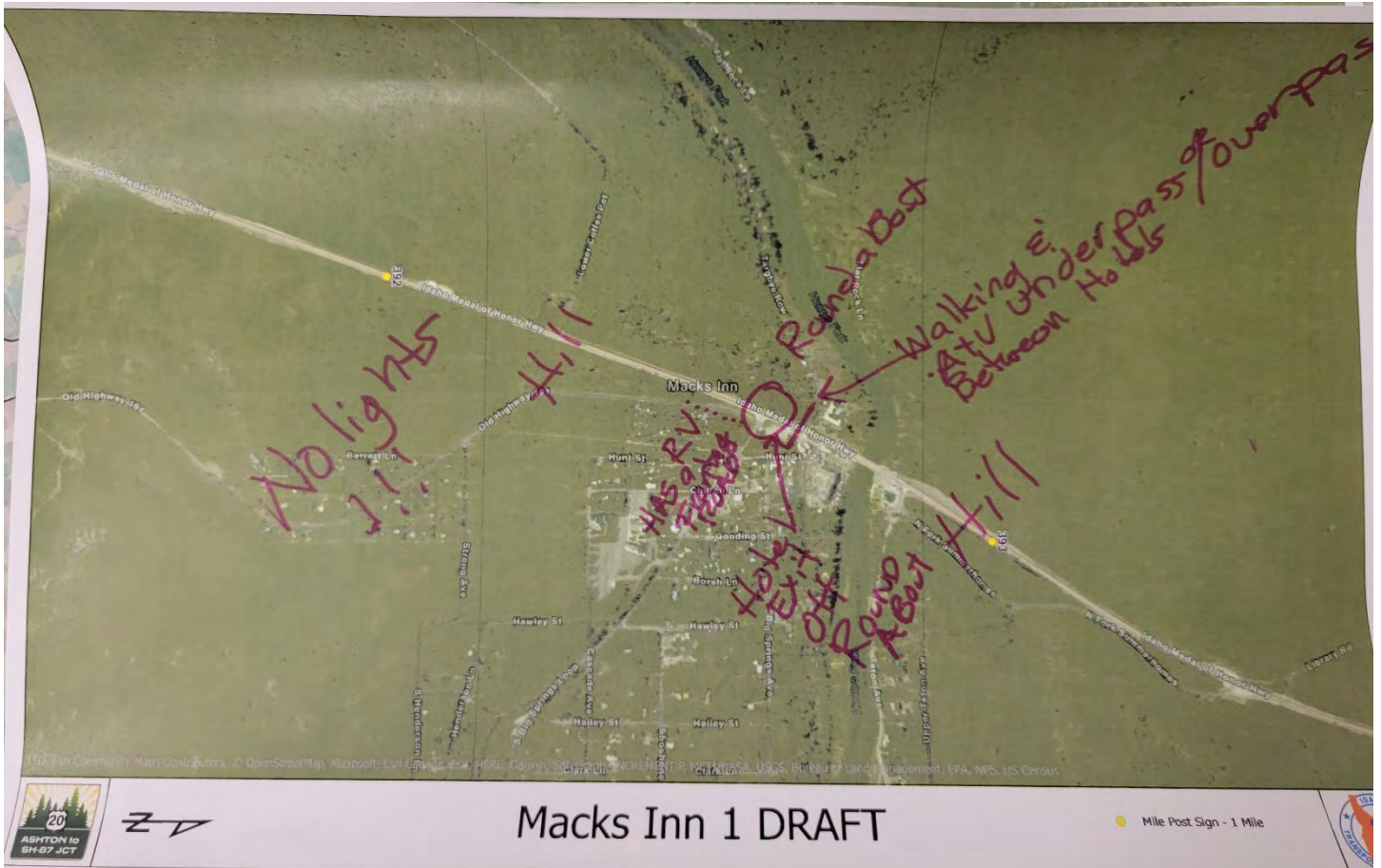
Box Canyon DRAFT

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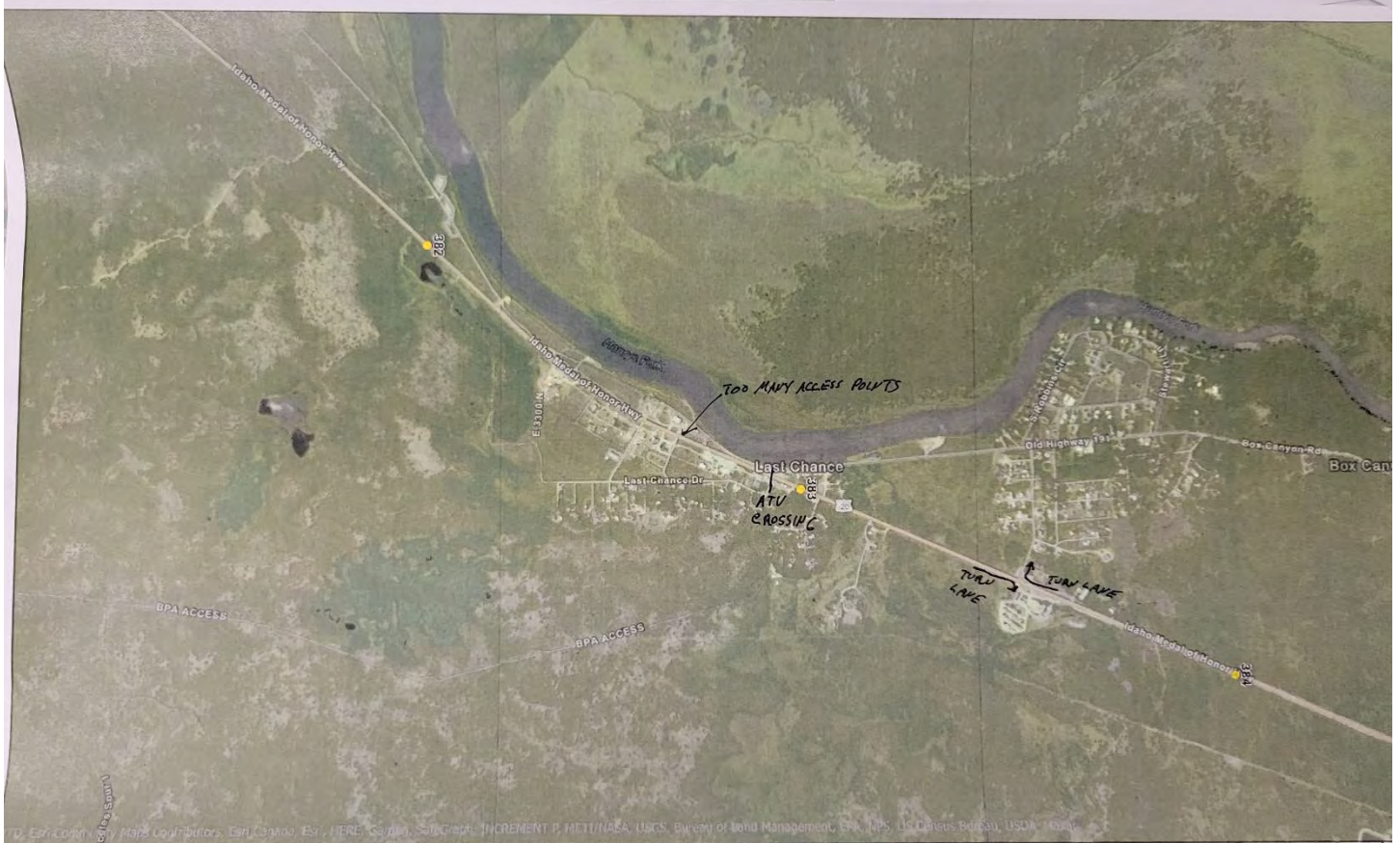


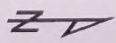













**Last Chance DRAFT**
● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile  
*x more trail signage*

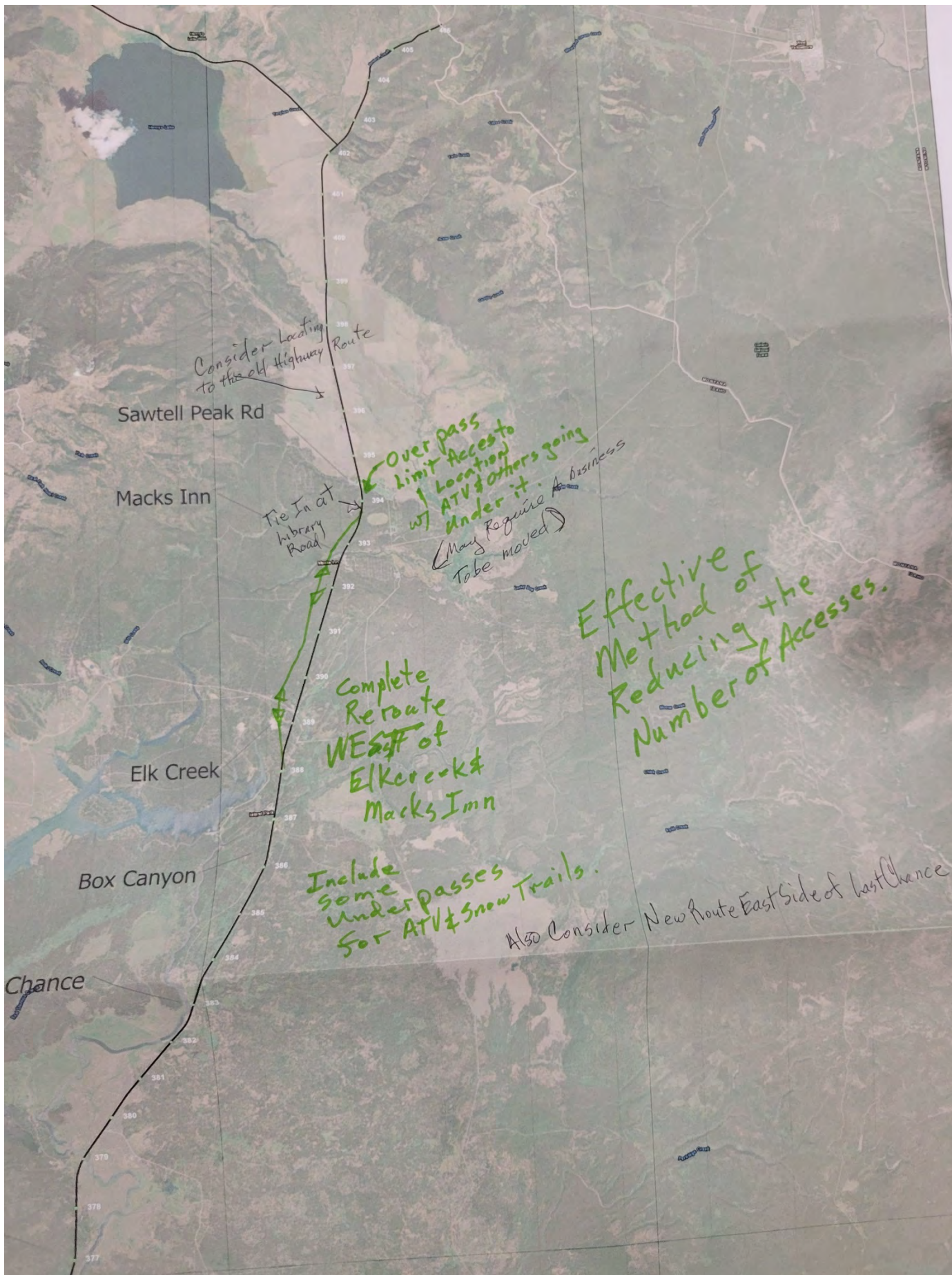



**Elk Creek 1 DRAFT**
● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile










Consider locating  
to this old Highway Route

Sawtell Peak Rd

Macks Inn

Tie In at  
Library  
Road

Over pass  
Limit Access to  
Location  
w/ ATV & others going  
under it.  
(Many require  
business  
license to be moved)

Complete  
Reroute  
WEST of  
Elk Creek &  
Macks Inn

Effective  
Method of  
Reducing the  
Number of Accesses.

Include  
some  
underpasses  
for ATV & snow trails.

Also Consider New Route East Side of Lost Chance

Elk Creek

Box Canyon

Chance





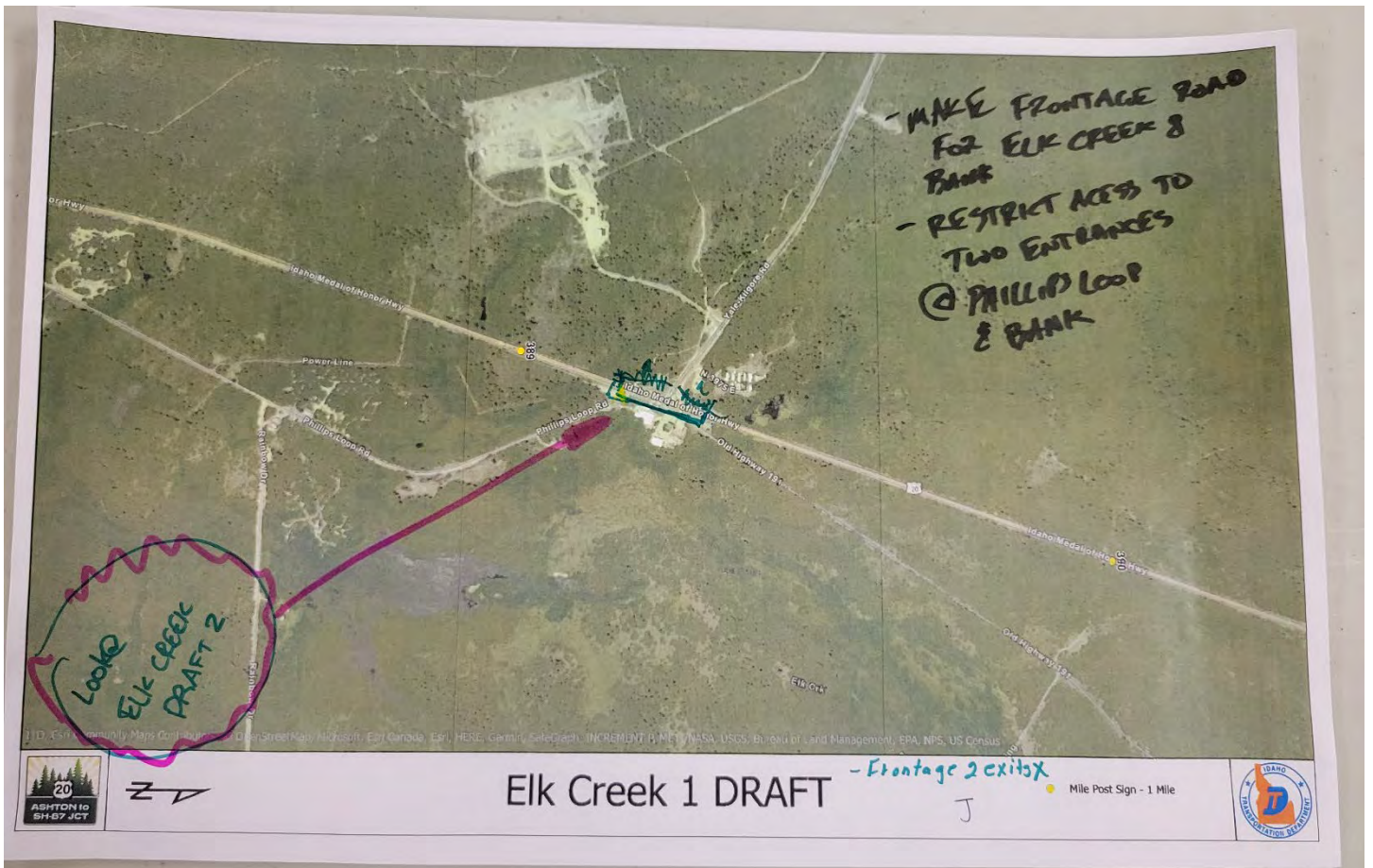
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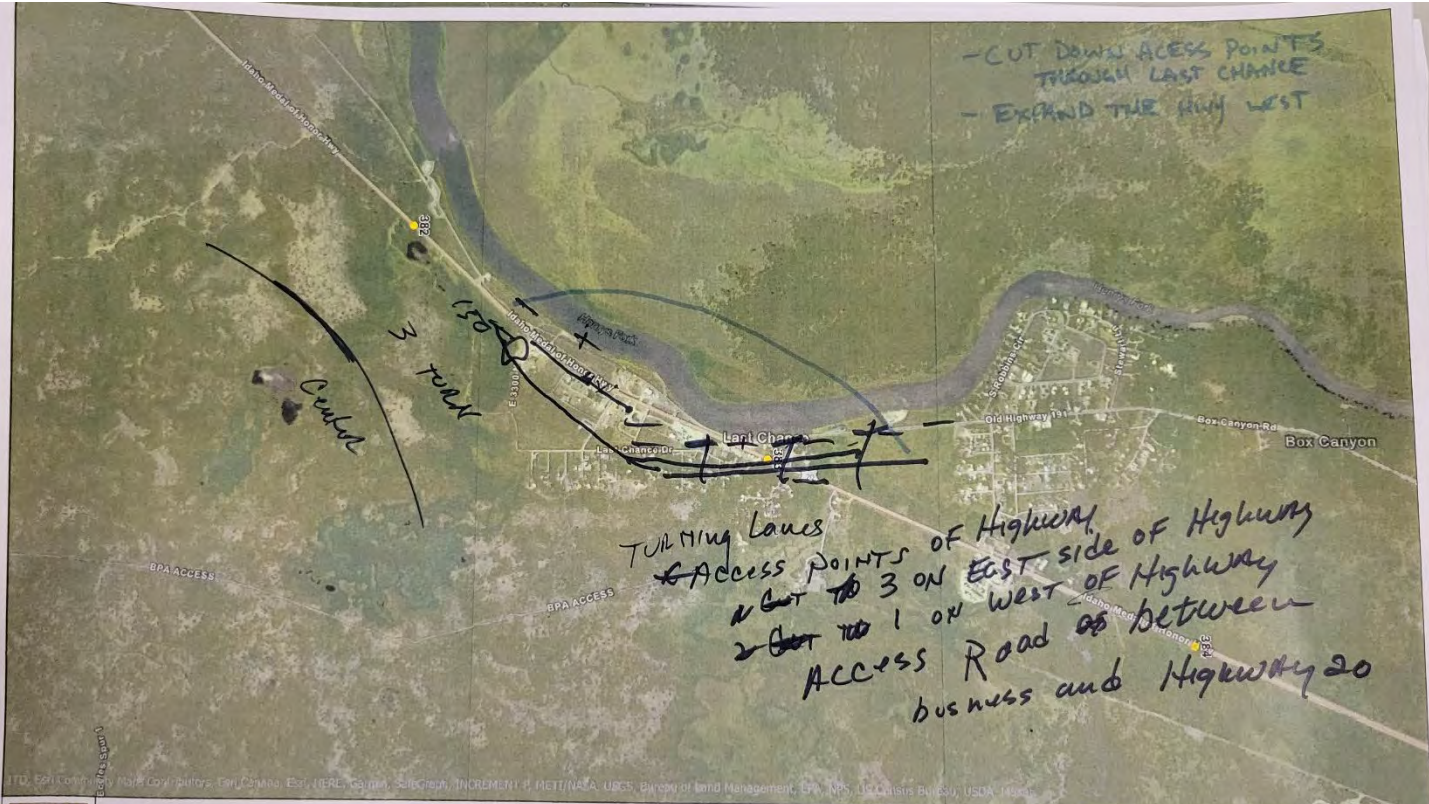








- CUT DOWN ACCESS POINTS THROUGH LAST CHANCE  
- EXPAND THE HWY WEST



TURNING LANES  
ACCESS POINTS OF Highway  
20 CUT TO 3 ON EAST SIDE OF Highway  
20 CUT TO 1 ON WEST OF Highway  
ACCESS Road as between  
business and Highway 20



# Last Chance DRAFT

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● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile



# Box Canyon DRAFT

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● Mile Post Sign - 1 Mile







**Virtual  
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**Annotations**













**Virtual**  
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**Webex Chat**



**from Mary VanFleet (privately): 10:22 AM**

any comments on wetlands or fisheries

**from Sheryl Hill (privately): 10:29 AM**

Kelly, could you tell us again what your position is and which entity you represent?

**from Mary VanFleet (privately): 10:31 AM**

how is the Purpose and Need determined and how will it be changed by the PEL process

**from Sheryl Hill (privately): 10:33 AM**

Difficult to hear the current speaker

**from Lisa to everyone: 11:07 AM**

Great point about multiple users of US-20.

**from Mary VanFleet to everyone: 11:09 AM**

what about Last Chance area- Ponds, etc. how do you mitigate without bypassing?

**from Mary VanFleet to everyone: 11:40 AM**

The Sheriff's office has limited staff to enforce speed limits-they do a great job, but there are limits to what they can do

**from Mary VanFleet to everyone: 11:41 AM**

It's a \$\$\$\$\$\$ issue for the Sheriff

**from Jessamyn Summers to everyone: 11:47 AM**

Please send any additional comments/questions to [comments@us20ashtonto87.com](mailto:comments@us20ashtonto87.com).

**from Mary VanFleet (privately): 11:52 AM**

I am hoping it's not a public popularity contest

**from Rob Thornberry to everyone: 11:53 AM**

I appreciate ITD's time and effort on this project.

**from Brent Inghram to everyone: 11:54 AM**

Thanks, Kelly and team, well done.





## Appendix D

### • Notification Materials

### Join Us!

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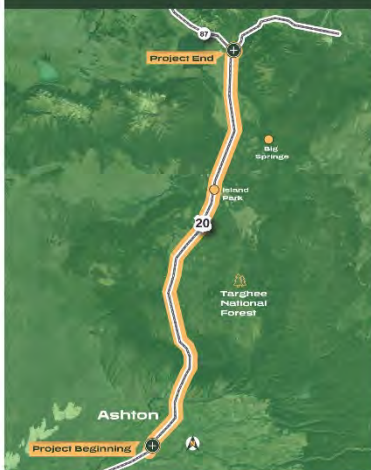
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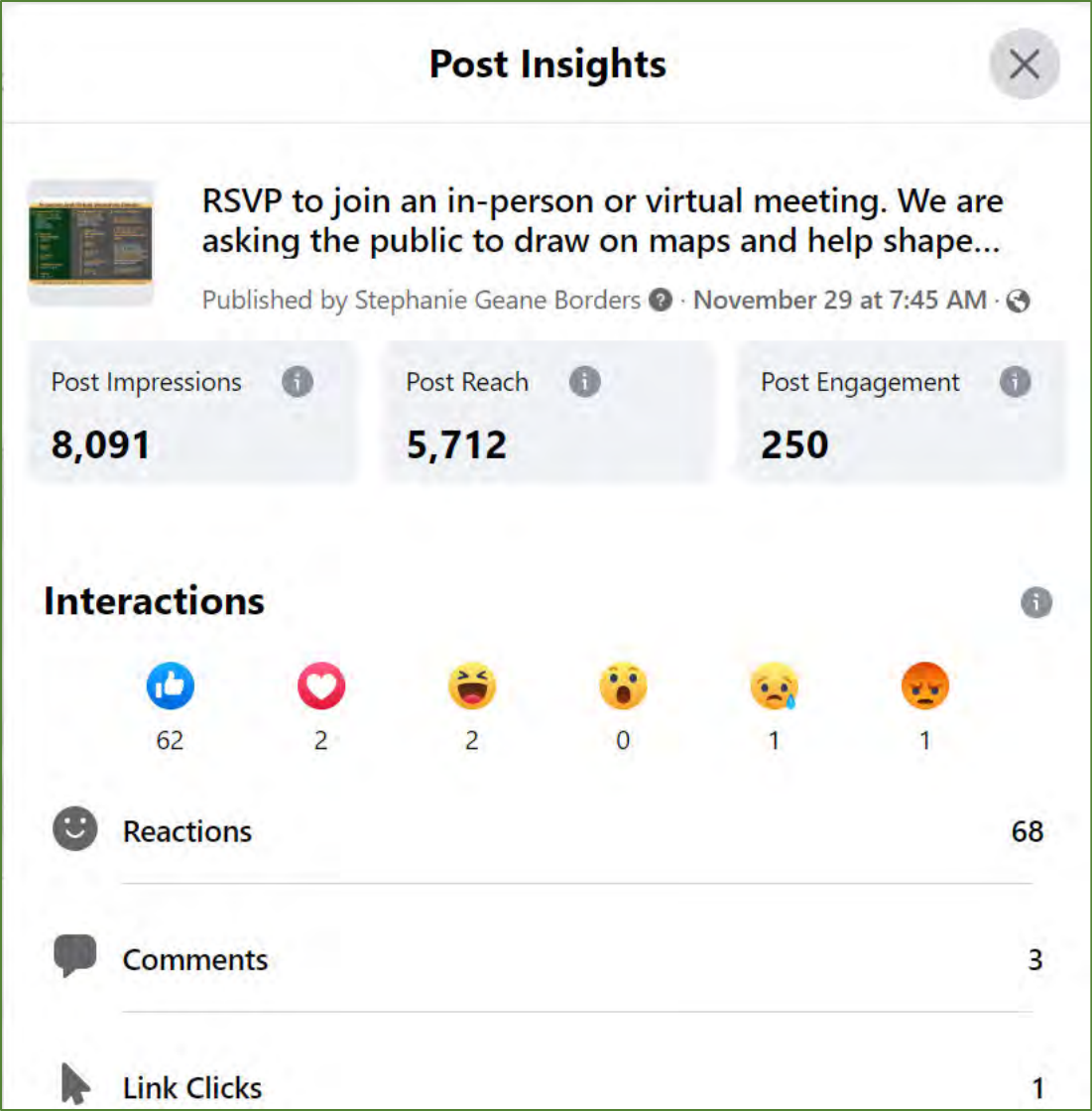
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**ASHTON to SH-87 JCT**



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