

## S-28 Langlade County Bridge 4 Replacement

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Natural Resources  
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### Motorized Recreation Grant Application

For: (choose all that apply)

Form 8700-159 (R 02/2024)

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☐ ATV/UTV Trail Aid

☒ Snowmobile Trail Aid

Due Date: April 15

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**Instructions:** Applications may combine more than one source of funds. They may be submitted for consideration of traditional ATV, UTV, Snowmobile and Motorized Stewardship funding. Submit one copy of all forms and attachments. See Page 2 for necessary attachments. Send applications to your [Community Services Specialist](#).

DNR Use Only	
Category	Number

#### Section 1: Applicant Information

Applicant / Organization Name			Check Recipient: Individual other than authorized individual to act on behalf of the applicant. <input type="checkbox"/> Select if the same as applicant.		
Langlade County Forestry, Parks & Recreation Dept.					
Individual Authorized to Act on Behalf of Applicant per Resolution			Check Recipient Name (Name to Appear on Check)		
Al Murray			Langlade County Treasurer		
Title			Title		
Forest Administrator			Treasurer		
Address			Address		
1633 Neva Road			1633 Neva Road		
City	State	ZIP Code	City	State	ZIP Code
Antigo	WI	54409	Antigo	WI	54409
Telephone Number		Email Address			
(716) 627-6300		amurray@co.langlade.wi.us			

#### Section 2: Project Information Required for all Projects

Project Title					Current Funded Miles	New Miles (if applicable)
Bridge 4 Replacement					530.4	
County	Township	Range	Section	1/4 1/4	1/4	GPS Coordinates:
Langlade	32 N	9 <input checked="" type="radio"/> E <input type="radio"/> W	19	NE	NE	Lat. 45.247464 Long. -89.407581

#### Project Description Summary

Langlade County proposes to replace an existing snowmobile bridge in the Antigo Sno-Drifters area. This bridge crosses McCloud Creek on a major east to west connection to Lincoln County County. This bridge is 30 years old and the deck is in very poor condition. The pilings/abutments have heaved stressing the superstructure and will also need replacement. In addition to the decking the capacity of the bridge is under rated for the grooming equipment being used now. Temporary measures have been taken to keep the bridge usable in the short term.

Bridge costs to be split 50% Snowmobile, 50% Winter ATV. ATV Funded this project in 2023. Langlade County Winter ATV trails open ten days after the snowmobile trails open. They are open to ATVs only and only when the temperature is less than 28 degrees. UTVs are not permitted on the Langlade County Winter ATV trail system.

50% = \$87,703 from each Snow and ATV

☒ I certify that all maintenance land use agreements are on file.

#### Estimated Cost

Maintenance	Acquisition	Insurance	Development	Bridge Rehab.	Trail Rehab.	Total Estimated Cost
				\$175,406.00		\$175,406.00
Leave Blank – DNR Use Only						

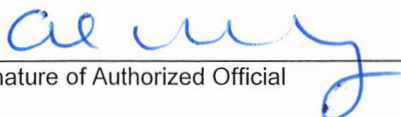
#### Applicant Certification

Printed Name of Authorized Official	Official's Title
Al Murray	Forest Administrator

As the applicant's authorized official, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Date Prepared



2/5/25

**Appendix A – Required for Bridge Rehab/Replace, New, or Reroute with New Bridge**
☒ Bridge Rehab/Replace    ☐ New Bridge    ☐ Reroute with new bridge

County	Township	Range	Section	1/4 1/4	1/4	GPS Coordinates: Lat. 45.247464 Long. -89.407581
Langlade	32 N	9	19	NE	NE	
Water Body Name			Bridge Name		County Inventory Number	
McCloud Creek						
Funded Trail Name or Number (SNARS if applicable)			Has this bridge site ever received development or rehabilitation funds in the past? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Year: _____ \$ 14,050.00			
County Line						
Bridge is located on: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Private property <input type="radio"/> Public property			Old Bridge/Culvert Size 45x12 New Bridge/Culvert Size 45x12			
Landowner Where Bridge is Located			Telephone Number		Length of Trail Use Agreement (5 year minimum)	
Jeffery Phals						
Current maximum load 10,000 lbs.		Age of Bridge		Bridge Material		
Proposed maximum load 25,000 lbs.		34		Steel w/wood deck		
Sponsoring Club Name			Club Contact		Telephone Number	
Antigo SnoDrifters			Tim Grall		(715) 216-3910	
Do you have your trail bridges posted as to maximum load? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No			What is the maximum load of the other bridges on the system if groomed with this bridge? 12,000 lbs+ Midspan load			
What is the weight of your puller & drag/grading equipment? 25,000lbs						
What other recreational trail uses are planned for this bridge? None						
If there are other Recreational uses planned, how much of the bridge cost will be paid for by non-snowmobile or non-ATV users?						

- ☒ Yes ☐ No Have you contacted your local [DNR Water Management Specialist \(WMS\)](#) regarding a permit?
- ☐ Yes ☒ No Is a permit needed? (Please provide any written correspondence from WMS.)
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Have you contacted your County Zoning Dept. regarding a floodplain determination?
- ☐ Yes ☒ No Will an H & H (hydrologic and hydraulic) study be required?

**Bridge Project Detailed Description**

This bridge is approximately 34 years old and has deteriorating decking and the pilings have heaved stressing the superstructure. Consultation with a bridge engineer has indicated that the structure upon inspection would rate as poor condition and the county should be plan for replacement. The weight rating of the existing bridge is too low for grooming equipment used by the club. Langlade County is proposing to replace the existing bridge with a 12'x45' bridge rated for 25,000 lbs to accommodate modern grooming equipment. This new structure would be expected to have a lifespan of more than 30 years. No chapter 30 permits are required for an in-kind replacement. A zoning permit will be required for work taking place within a floodplain. No H&H study will be required for an in-kind replacement (same length, width installed at the same elevation above the ordinary high water mark). Cost estimates include permits, the bridge structure, removal of the existing bridge, installation of the new bridge and disposal of the old structure.

Langlade County will seek 20 year easement for bridge and trail if awarded which the Club has discussed with the owner and he has indicated he would be willing to sign an easement.



**Appendix A (continued)****Summarize Costs in Appropriate Categories:**

Bridge Structure			
		Quote 1	Quote 2
		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Steel <input type="radio"/> Wooden	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Steel <input type="radio"/> Wooden
Bridge Dimensions:		45x12	45x12
Bridge Manufacturer:		Wheeler Inc.	Contech
Design Weight Load		25,000 lbs.	25,000 lbs.
Cost of Structure:	1. Engineering	\$	\$
	2. Structure	\$ 65,500	\$ 75,000
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 65,500</b>	<b>\$ 75,000</b>
		<b>Quote 1</b>	<b>Quote 2</b>
		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Contractor   or <input type="radio"/> Sponsor	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Contractor   or <input type="radio"/> Sponsor
		Estimate	Estimate
<b>Installation Costs:</b>			
1. Engineering		\$	\$
2. Site Preparation		\$	\$
3. Abutments		\$ 25,400	\$
4. Pilings/Piers		\$	\$
5. Approaches		\$	\$
6. Riprap		\$	\$
7. Labor		\$ 74,738	\$ 105,290
8. Equipment Rental		\$	\$
9. Culverts		\$	\$
10. H & H Study		\$	\$
11. Wetland Delineation		\$	\$
12. Other <u>Removal Old Bridge</u>		\$ 8,200	\$ 8,200
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 108,338</b>	<b>\$ 113,490</b>
	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 173,838</b>	<b>\$ 188,490</b>

**For the application grant, you must take the lowest of the two quotes.**

Entire Deck and Railing Projects		<input type="radio"/> Contractor	<input type="radio"/> Sponsor	<input type="radio"/> Club
Bridge Dimensions:				
Design Weight Load				
1. Materials		\$		
2. Labor		\$		
	<b>Total</b>	\$		

## Form 8700-014 (R 02/23)

## Additional Costs beyond the Bridge worksheet

Project Name:		Prepared By:	Date
Bridge 4 Replacement		Cody Brauner	02/05/2025
County	Project Applicant:	Landowner Name	<input type="radio"/> Public
Langlade	Langlade County	Jeffery Phals	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Private

	DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ITEMS <i>List by individual item or break down by Use Areas</i> (See Item List On Back Of This Form)	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Component Costs	Estimated Total Item Cost
F	Administration (permit prep/bid prep)	20	hr	\$55.00	1,100.00
C	Floodplain Permit	1	each	\$150.00	150.00
C	Signs	8	each	\$12.00	96.00
C	posts	8	each	\$9.00	72.00
C	Bid Advertisement	1	each	\$150.00	150.00
TOTAL \$					\$1,568.00

**NOTE:**

- For development projects, contingency and indirect costs are not eligible expenses.
- For acquisition projects, complete the Acquisition Project Cost Estimate Section of this form.



Guidelines for Applicant

Complete this form for each bridge structure you are submitting a grant application for. Provide any additional documents not requested on application checklist to substantiate your points, including actual deeded easements.

Category		Possible Points	Actual Points
1	<b>Condition of the Structure</b> (max of 10 points)		
	Has a certified bridge inspection report that supports the project & demonstrates need (see example, must provide copy of report by August 1 for 2024 only)	10	0
2	<b>Permits</b> (maximum points 4)		
	Consultation with DNR Water Mgmt Specialist has occurred & permit is likely, if needed	1	
	Permit in hand / Bridge already permitted	3	3
3	<b>Funding</b> (maximum points 2) Are other funds already committed?		
	50% or greater from other funding source(s)?	2	
	11% - 49% from other funding source(s)?	1	1
4	<b>Length of Written Easements or Land Use Agreement</b> (max points 5)(ch. 23.09(26)(am)1 WI Stats)		
	On public land (County, State, Federal)	5	
	10 or more year <b>deeded easement</b> on private land or other public land, for <u>all portions of</u> that trail to the nearest road on each side of the bridge	5	
	3-9 year <b>deeded easement</b> on private land or other public land, for <u>all portions of</u> that trail to the nearest road on each side of the bridge	4	
	10 or more year <b>deeded easement</b> on private land or other public land, for <u>just the bridge site</u>	3	
	3-9 <b>deeded easement</b> on private land or other public land, for just the bridge site	2	
	10 or more year land use agreement (LUA, not deeded) on private land or other public land	1	
	3-9 year land use agreement (LUA, not deeded) on private land or other public land	0	0
5	<b>Miles Impacted</b> – How many miles will need to rerouted if the structure is not replaced? Measured from nearest intersection on both sides of the bridge. (max 4 points)		
	Less than 20 miles	1	1
	20 miles or more	3	
	No other snowmobile trails connect. Explain:	4	
	<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>		
6	<b>County Active Project Deduction</b> (maximum deduction 1 point) A snowmobile active project is one that has exceeded it's initial grant period.		
	Two or more active projects - deduct 1 point <b>Yes - 3 projects</b>	-1	-1
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			4

Comments/Notes:

**From:** [Cody Brauner](#)  
**To:** [Pennucci, Jeff F - DNR](#)  
**Cc:** [amurray](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Follow-up from Preliminary Council Meetings  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 4:31:02 PM  
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Hi Jeff,

Please see below.

Snow Council:

1. Instead of full replacement of Bridge #4, would redecking and repair of abutment be sufficient? What is the condition of the rest of the structure?
2. Instead of full replacement of Bridge #5, would redecking and repair of abutment be sufficient? What is the condition of the rest of the structure?

This option was not evaluated because of three factors: the poor condition of the decking, the heaving of the pilings / poor condition of the soil dams on the abutments and the manufacturer rating on these bridges being only 5 ton. The County has concerns with 30+ year old bridges with that low of a load rating. The County Could evaluate that option with an engineer and determine whether or not this is a viable option. This may be too short of a timeframe to review and be able to have a revised budget by the August meeting.

ORV Council:

1. For the new Perch Lake Campground Trail Segment, how do riders get between the new trail segments along Hwy U? Please provide an additional map (if needed) to explain how to use the new trail.

The segments of the proposed trail are connected by existing open county road route (CTH U). This road routes also make connections to the rest of the County's trails via CTH K to the north and CTH T to the south.

Cody Brauner

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## Larson Construction Co Inc

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Chippewa Falls WI 54729  
PH 715.723.9708  
FX 715.723.4515

February 3, 2025  
Langlade Co Trail Bridges  
Site #4 Estimate  
Wheeler Truss Bridge

Site #4	Remove and Dispose of Existing Structure	1	LS	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,200.00
	Install 45' long x 12' wide, 25,000lb capacity steel truss bridge, supported on timber pile (up to 30' long) and timber abutments	1.00	EACH	\$165,637.50	\$ 165,637.50
	Backfill abutments with materials on site			included	
	Silt fence, seeding & ermat as needed			included	
	Place up to 40 ton of base course for approaches			included	
Total					\$173,837.50

### Notes:

- 1 Larson Construction is a Union Contractor.
  - 3 All Utility Conflicts, Resolved By Others
- Riprap can be placed and installed by Larson for \$1,500 per load (22 tons each)

*Tim MacLaughlin-Barck*

Signed:

Tim MacLaughlin-Barck

Date:

2/3/2025

Title:

VP, Operations

Accepted:

Date:

Title:

Project: Snow Bridge #4  
Steel Truss Pedestrian Bridge  
Antigo, WI



Wheeler Lumber LLC  
9531 W 78<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. 100 | Minneapolis, MN 55344  
Jake Silkey | Sales Engineer  
jsilkey@wheeler1892.com | 262.229.4068

### Prefabricated Steel Truss Recreation Bridge

<b>Bridge Size:</b> 45'-0" x 12'-0"	<b>Finish:</b> Weathering (SP 7)	<b>Weld Code:</b> AWS D1.1
<b>Truss Type:</b> Parallel Chord	<b>Web:</b> Pratt	<b>X-Section:</b> Underhung
<b>Live Load:</b> 90 psf	<b>Vehicle Load:</b> H-12.5	<b>Design Code:</b> AASHTO LRFD
<b>Safety Railing:</b> 42" Horizontal	<b>Rail Spacing:</b> AASHTO	<b>Rail Material:</b> Steel angle
<b>Rub Rail:</b> Wood	<b>Hand Rail:</b> None	<b>Lifting Weight:</b> 22,100 lbs
<b>Shipped as:</b> 1 piece(s)	<b>Field Splices:</b> 0	<b>Bearings:</b> Stainless/Teflon
<b>Decking:</b> Wood	<b>Species:</b> DF	<b>Treatment:</b> QNAP
<b>Wear Course:</b> Wood	<b>Species:</b> SYP	<b>Treatment:</b> MCA

**Additional Notes:** Bridge is shipped with decking and wear course installed. Lifting weight is for fully assembled bridge.

Includes a drill and epoxy anchor system (bolts, nuts, washers, and epoxy for normal bearing installation). Does not include the cost of unloading, installation, approach railing or substructure design/materials.

**Lump sum / ea... \$65,500.00**

### Timber Pile 6' Abutment (2ea.)

Materials include timber cap, backing plank, wings & (8) 30' piling.  
Includes all necessary hardware for complete field assembly.  
All timber is Douglas Fir, Copper Naphthenate treated.

**Lump sum total... \$25,400.00**





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Contech Truss Bridge

Site #4	Remove and Dispose of Existing Structure	1	LS	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,200.00
	Install 45' long x 12' wide, 25,000lb capacity steel truss bridge, supported on Steel pile (up to 30' long) and timber abutments	1.00	EACH	\$180,290.00	\$ 180,290.00
	Backfill abutments with materials on site			included	
	Silt fence, seeding & ermat as needed			included	
	Place up to 40 ton of base course for approaches			included	
Total					\$188,490.00

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*Tim MacLaughlin-Barck*

Signed:

Tim MacLaughlin-Barck

Date:

2/3/2025

Title:

VP, Operations

Accepted:

Date:

Title:

## Cody Brauner

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**From:** Eric Sturm <Eric.Sturm@ContechES.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 22, 2025 8:02 PM  
**To:** Cody Brauner  
**Subject:** \*\*External Email\*\* RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: CONTECH - Snowmobile Bridges

Cody,

35x12 Truss Snowmobile bridge	\$60,000	4500lbs
45x12 Truss Snowmobile bridge	\$75,000	5000lbs

### Eric W Sturm

Bridge Consultant

#### CONTECH Engineered Solutions LLC

6441 Enterprise Lane, Suite 116 | Madison, WI 53719

Cell: 608-215-3937 Fax: 608-216-9865

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**From:** Cody Brauner <CBrauner@co.langlade.wi.us>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 21, 2025 12:43 PM  
**To:** Eric Sturm <Eric.Sturm@ContechES.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: CONTECH - Snowmobile Bridges

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Hi Eric,

Thank you for the estimates.

Could you let me know what the lifting weight is for the two bridges so I can get an installation estimate?

Thank you,

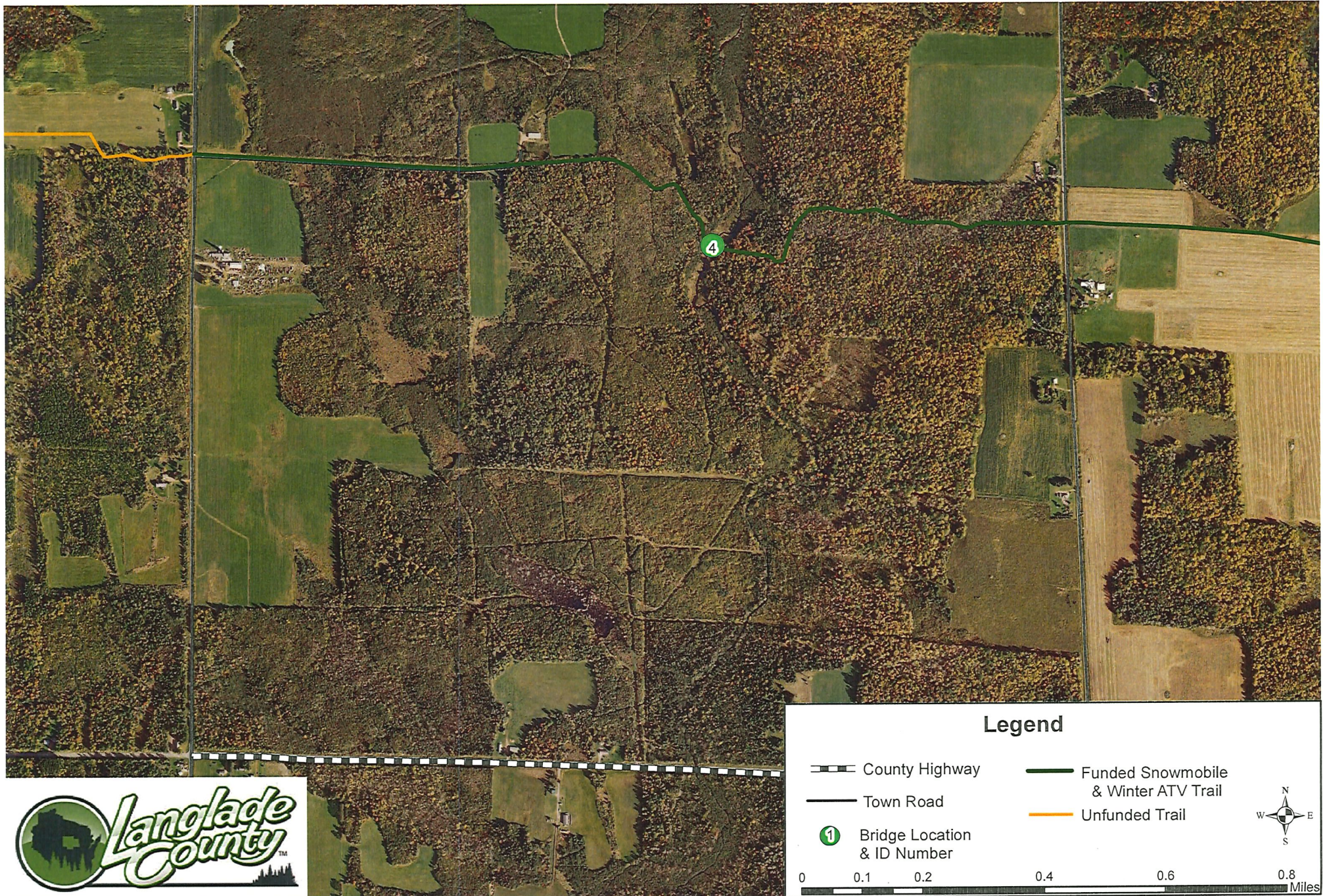
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# Bridge 4 Replacement Project

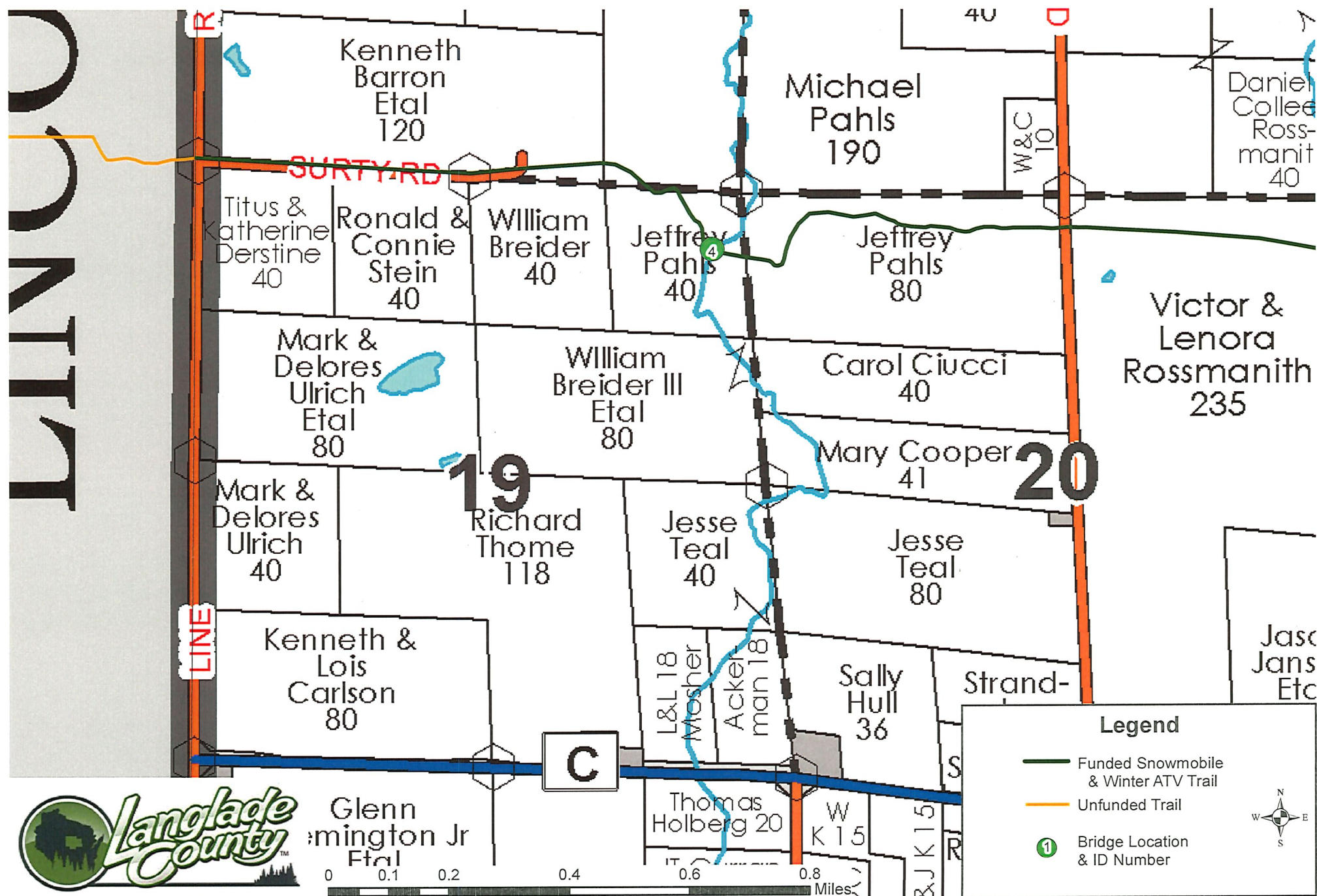
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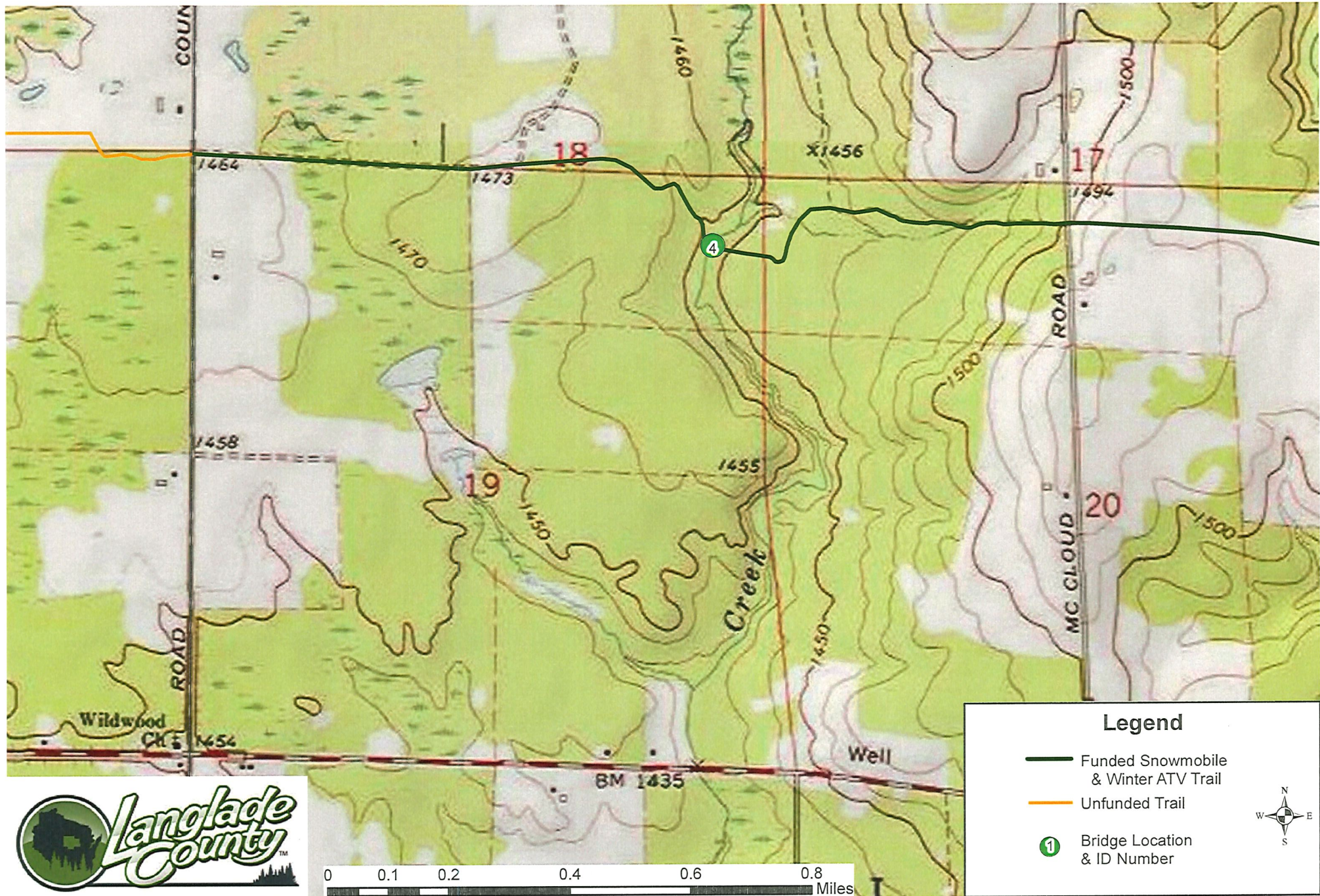
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# Bridge 4 Replacement Project

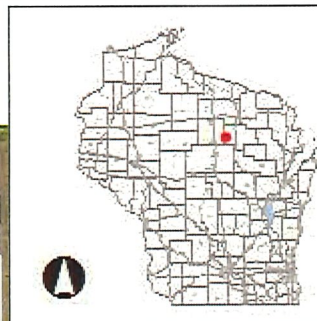
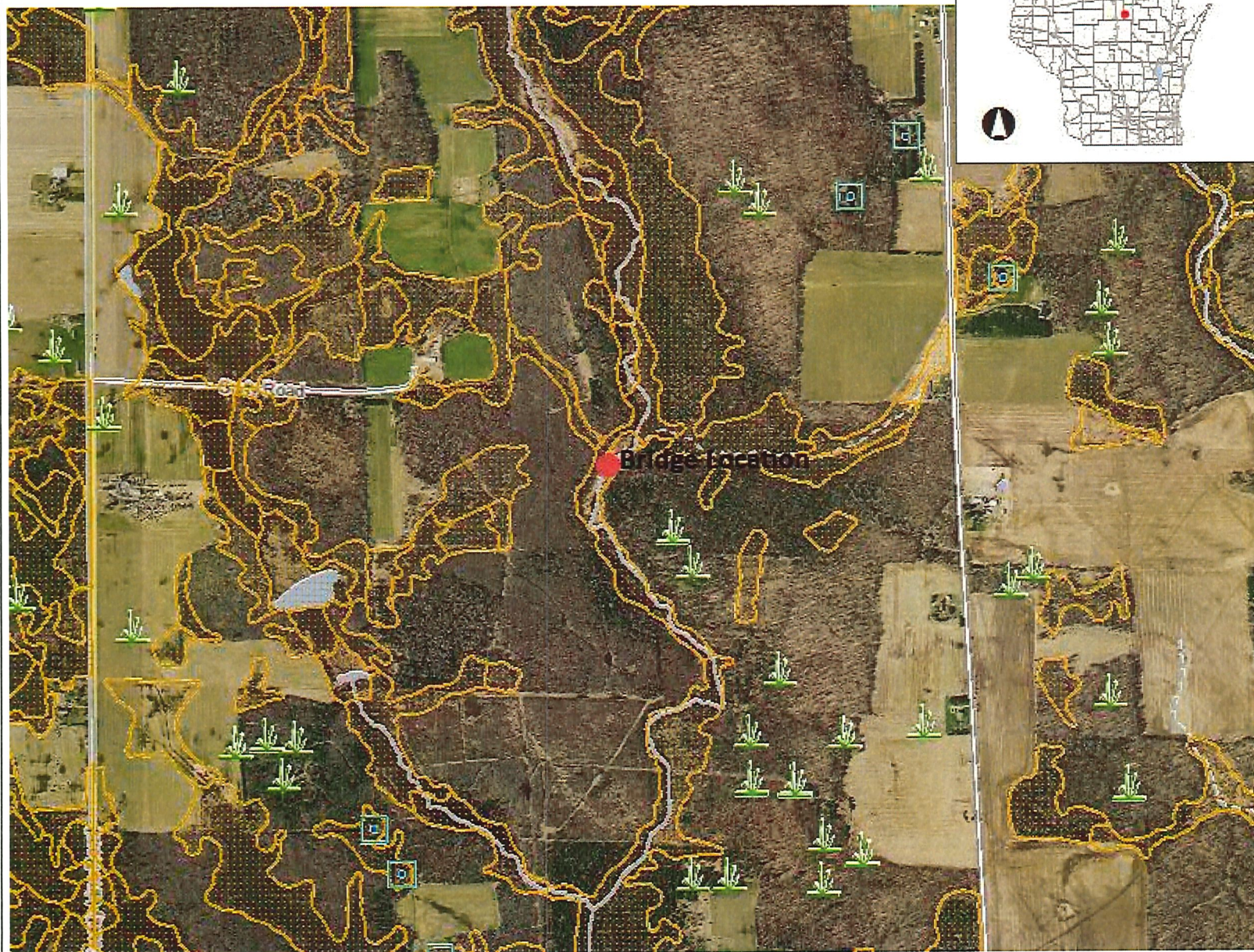
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# Langlade County Bridge 4 Replacement Wetlands



## Legend

- Wetland Class Areas
- Wetland Class Points
  - Dammed pond
  - Excavated pond
  - Filled/draind wetland
  - Wetland too small to delineate
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- Filled Areas
- Wetland Identifications and Confirmations
- Municipality
- State Boundaries
- County Boundaries
- Major Roads
  - Interstate Highway
  - State Highway
  - US Highway
- County and Local Roads
  - County HWY
  - Local Road
- Railroads
- Tribal Lands
- Rivers and Streams

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## Notes



Bridge # 4  
Sno-Drifter Trails  
Town of Vilas, Langlade County  
T32N R9E Section 19



Bridge Deck Looking West



Bridge Deck Looking East

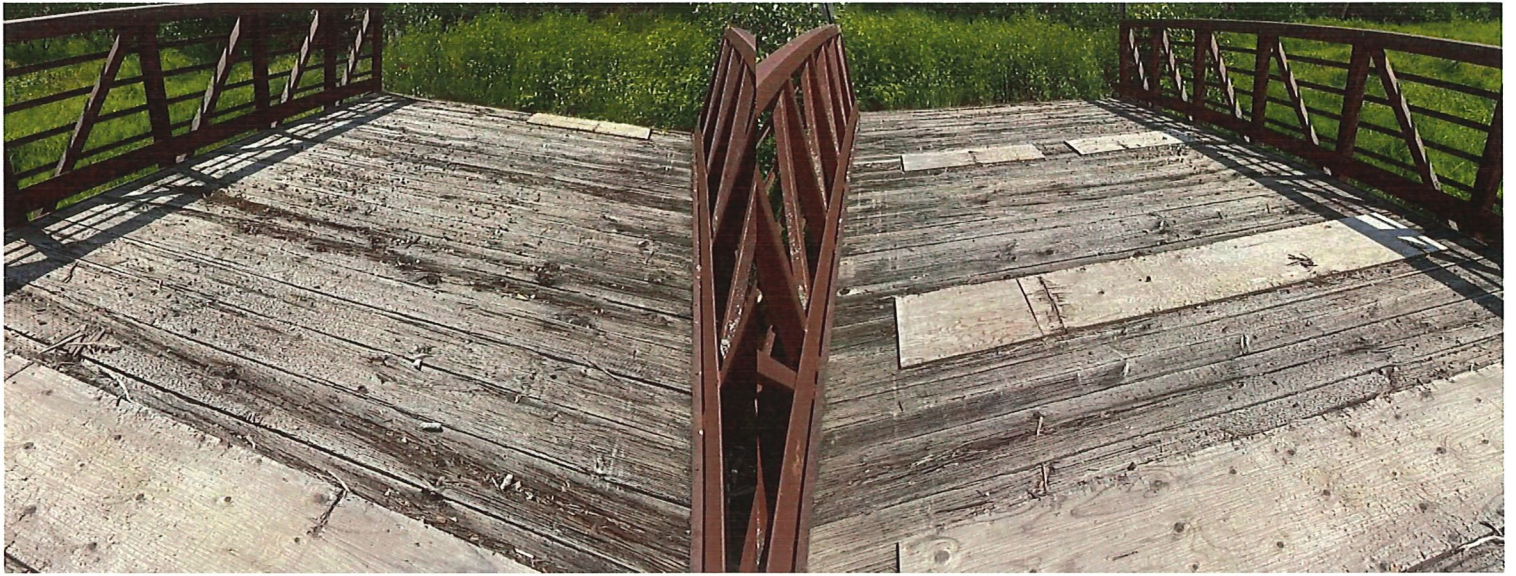


West Abutment



East Abutment





Bridge Deck





**LAND USE AGREEMENT  
Motorized Recreation  
Trails and Routes  
Jeffery Pahls (2023)**

This land use agreement grants a 16-foot right-of-way to Langlade County (sponsor), and the Antigo Sno-Drifters Snowmobile Club (operator) for the purpose of operating a winter motorized recreational trail on lands described below owned by Jeffery Pahls, across existing woods trails which have been previously utilized as motorized recreational trails.

The trail may be open for Snowmobile/Winter ATV use between December 1, and April 1, of each year when conditions are suitable and the applicable snowmobile zone(s) are open under the Counties Policy.

The clubs and or Langlade County may require access to the trail during the closed period to preform trail maintenance and inspections.

Legal land description of trial location:

**NE¼NE¼ Section 19 T32N R9E Town of Vilas, as depicted in the attached map.  
Parcel Identification Number: 0320289**

Duration of land use agreement: April 1, 2023, through April 1, 2032, and will renew annually thereafter, unless a written non-renewal is received from the landowner.

Additional land use requirements as specified by the landowner, if any:

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**LAND USE AGREEMENT**  
**Motorized Recreation**  
**Trails and Routes**  
**Jeffery Pahls (2023)**

**Acceptance:**

**LANDOWNER**

**Jeffery Pahls**

N6165 McClout Road  
Gleason, WI 54435

Signature

Date:

*Jeffery Pahls*  
3-13-23

**TRAIL CLUB REPRESENTATIVE**

**Antigo Sno-Drifters Snowmobile Club**  
**Tim Garll, President**

Signature

Date:

*Tim Garll*  
4-3-23

**TRAIL SPONSOR REPRESENTATIVE**

**Langlade County Forestry Recreation & Parks Department**  
**Al Murray, Forest Administrator**  
1633 Neva Rd, Antigo, WI 54409  
(715) 627-6300

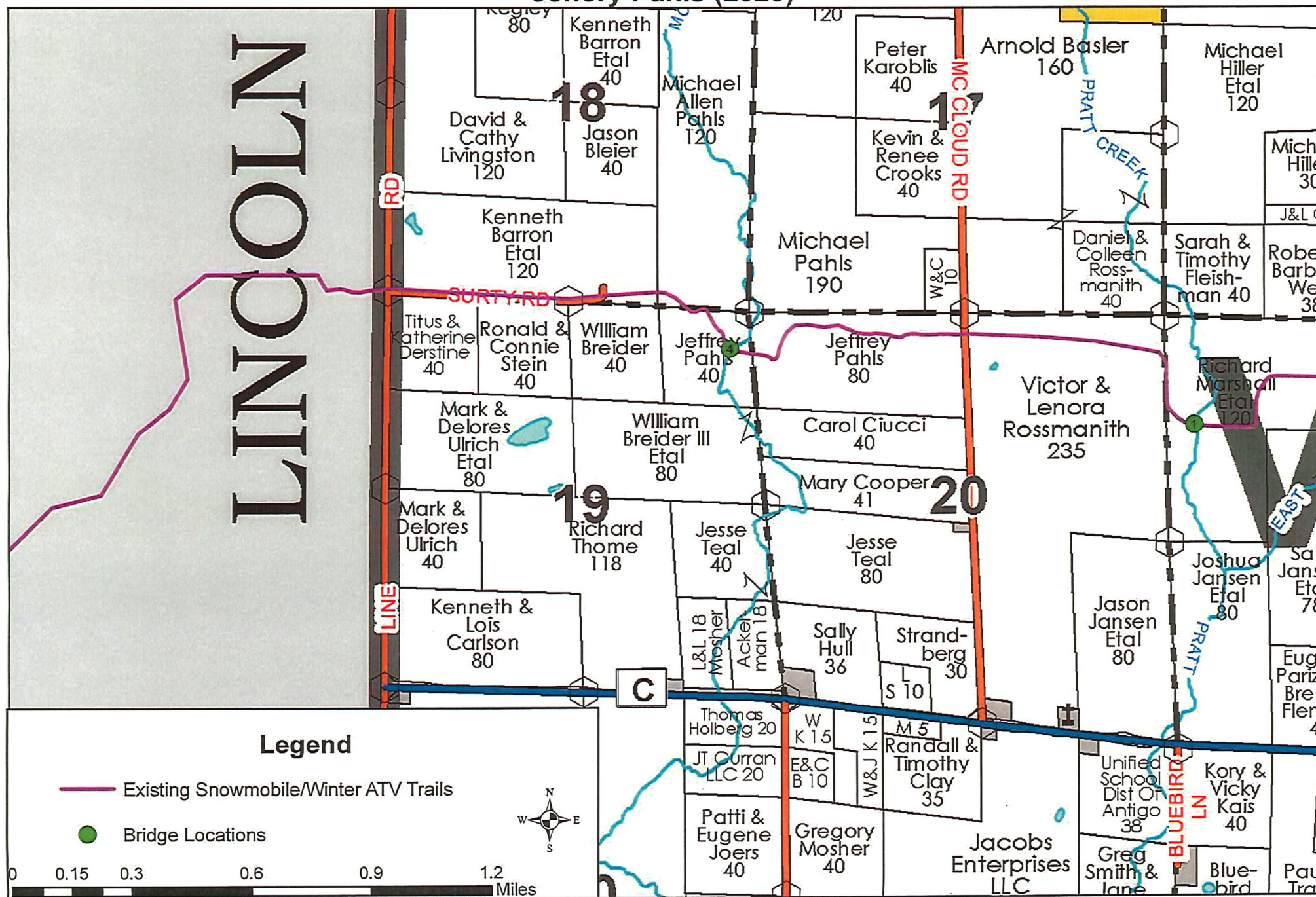
Signature

Date:

*Al Murray*  
3/14/23



# Land Use Agreement Trail Map Jeffery Pahls (2023)



## Cody Brauner

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**From:** Koehnke, Scott E - DNR <Scott.Koehnke@wisconsin.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 12, 2025 4:39 PM  
**To:** Cody Brauner  
**Subject:** \*\*External Email\*\* RE: Langlade County Bridge Replacements

Hey Cody,

Let's have a phone call next week-ish to discuss these. Overall, I agree in concept but we need to talk details. Your reference below about not knowing what materials the bridges will be replaced with and noting "similar" construction makes me want to have more details. In either case, I believe that issuance of a GP21 crossing permit should be possible.

Let me know what works for you and we can do a teams call.

Thanks.

### Scott Koehnke

Senior Water Management Specialist – Waterways/Wetlands  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
647 Lakeland Road, Shawano, WI 54166  
Phone: 715/526-4232  
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**From:** Cody Brauner <CBrauner@co.langlade.wi.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 7:32 AM  
**To:** Koehnke, Scott E - DNR <Scott.Koehnke@wisconsin.gov>  
**Subject:** Langlade County Bridge Replacements

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Good morning Scott,

Langlade County will be submitting grant applications for replacement of two snowmobile bridges (bridges 4 and 5). County wide bridge location map is attached along with some additional information. These were previously applied for and have been partially awarded in 2023.



These projects were discussed with Jared Seidl in 2023. Those discussions concluded that bridge 4 had an existing permit (3-NC-1991-34-1070) and this structure could be replaced in-kind without a new permit. Bridge 4 Jared and myself were unable to locate a permit. I have since located a set of plans for bridge 5 with a permit number (3-NC-91-1072) however, no permit. Jared concluded that since there is an existing structure in place and it has been there for approximately 30 years without issues that a permit application would be approvable for a replacement. With regard to the wetlands at these two locations Jared concluded that as long as no new or existing fill material was introduced outside the existing dimensional footprint of current fill at the bridge approach that no wetland permitting would be required. These projects have also been discussed with zoning regarding floodplain requirements and both are approvable on their end as in-kind replacements.

The intent is to replace these bridges with the same size and similar construction bridge structures. We will not know the exact construction or material of the new bridge until they are bid out. However, initial discussions with contractors indicate that bridge 4 would likely remain a steel truss bridge of similar construction to the existing bridge.

Due to the amount of time that has elapsed since these were initially discussed with Jared I thought we should revisit these projects. Please confirm if you agree with Jared's assessment or if you think we need to discuss these projects further before the grant applications are completed.

Thank you,

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