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March 12, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

MR. JOHN F. KIME, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PIEDMONT TRIAD REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY HAS REQUESTED MODIFICATION OF CONDITION C (LAKE PERIMETER BUFFER ZONE) OF THEIR EXISTING DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (DA) PERMIT ISSUED ON APRIL 6, 2001, TO AUTHORIZE THE DISCHARGE OF FILL INTO THE WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT THE RANDLEMAN DAM AND LAKE, GUILFORD AND RANDOLPH COUNTIES, NORTH CAROLINA.

The following description of the proposed permit modification is taken from data provided by the applicant and from observations made during a site visit by a representative of the Corps of Engineers. The proposed permit modification consists of permitting the City of High Point to construct their proposed Deep River Outfall 66" pipe sanitary sewer replacement project within portions of the 200-foot lake perimeter buffer zone surrounding Randleman Lake. Also included in the request are two future aerial sanitary sewer crossings over Deep River and four future water main crossings located within North Carolina Department of Transportation roadway right-of-way (NC Hwy 62, Groomtown Road, and Kivett Drive). The proposed Deep River Outfall sanitary sewer project will result in temporary impacts to approximately 4000 linear feet of buffer (0.94 acre). No impacts to jurisdictional waters or wetlands are associated with this proposed sanitary sewer replacement project. The impacted buffer would be restored to grade, seeded, and planted with shrubs. The proposed sanitary sewer replacement project is located in steep topographic relief. To limit maximum pipe depth to 45' (i.e. maximum depth that can be accomplished by conventional construction methods) necessitates locating 4000' feet of the proposed 11000' projected within the 200-foot lake perimeter buffer zone.

The project's purpose and need is to construct needed sanitary sewer facilities for the City of High Point.

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Plans showing the work are included with this public notice. A copy of this public notice can be viewed on our web page at <http://www.saw.usace.army.mil>.

The State of North Carolina will review this public notice to determine the need for the applicant to obtain any required State authorization. No Department of the Army (DA) permit modification will be issued until the coordinated State viewpoint on the proposal has been received and reviewed by this agency.

This application is being considered pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Any person may request, in writing within the comment period specified in the notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The District Engineer has consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this site is not registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. Consultation of the National Register constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. Presently, unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by work under the requested permit.

The District Engineer has determined, based on a review of data furnished by the applicant and onsite observation, that the activity will not affect species, or their critical habitat, designated as endangered or threatened pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

The decision whether to modify the existing permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity and its intended use on the public interest. Evaluation of the probable impacts, which the proposed activity may have on the public interest, requires a careful weighing of all those factors, which become relevant in each particular case. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. The decision whether to authorize a proposal, and if so the conditions under which it will be allowed to occur, are therefore determined by the outcome of the general balancing process. That decision should reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal, must be considered including the cumulative effects thereof. Among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards and flood plain values (in accordance with Executive Order 11988), land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. For activities involving the placement of dredged or fill materials in waters of the United States, a permit will be denied if the discharge that would be authorized by such permit would not comply with the Environmental Protection Agencies' 404(b)(1) guidelines. Subject to the preceding sentence and any other applicable guidelines or criteria, a permit modification will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest.

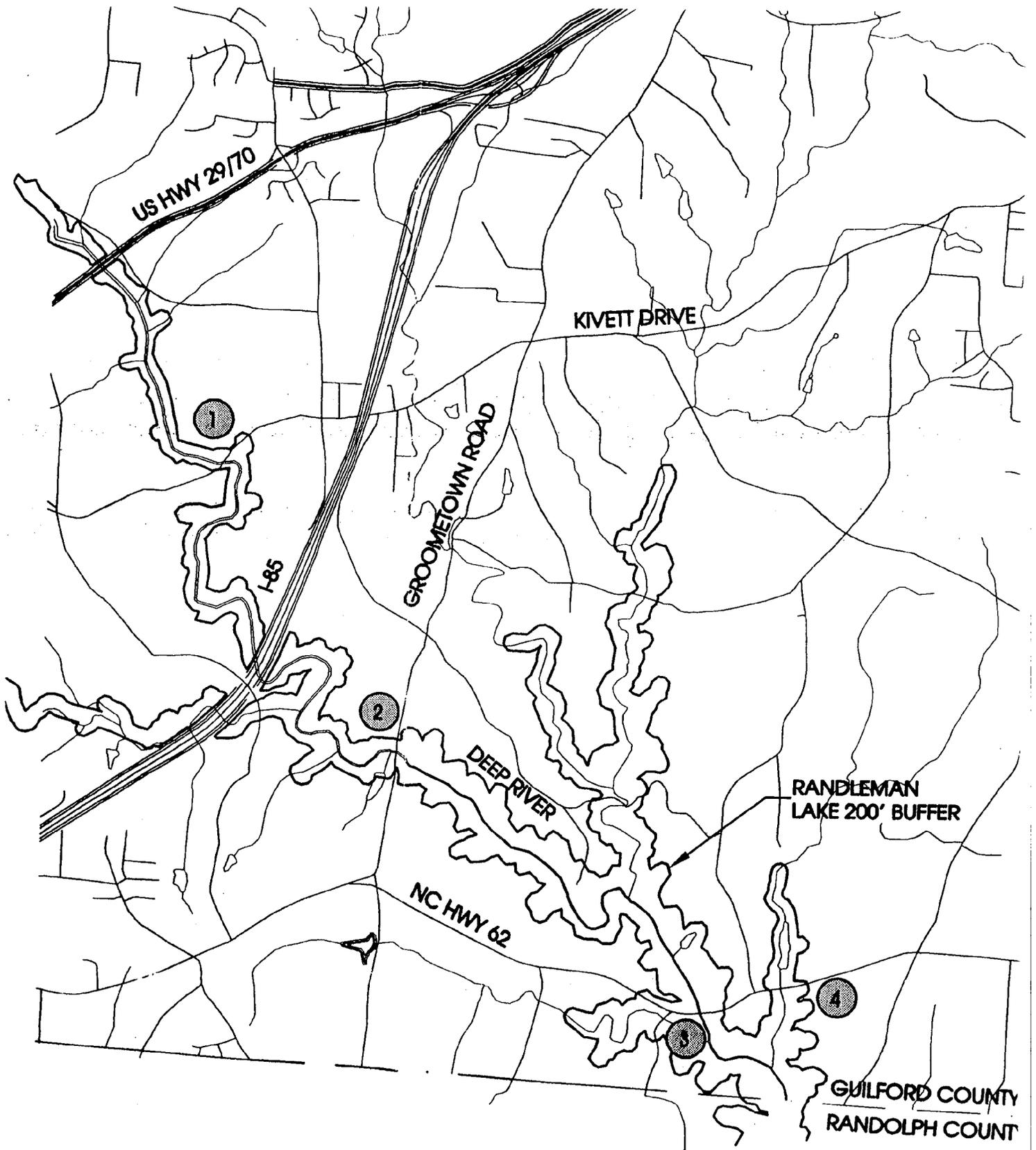
The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Generally, the decision whether to issue this Department of the Army (DA) permit will not be made until the North Carolina Division of Water Quality (NCDWQ) issues, denies, or waives State certification required by Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The NCDEM considers whether or not the proposed activity will comply with Sections 301, 302, 306, and 307 of the Clean Water Act. The application and this public notice for the Department of the Army (DA) permit serves as application to the NCDWQ for certification.

Additional information regarding the Clean Water Act certification may be reviewed at the offices of the North Carolina Division of Water Quality (NCDWQ), Salisbury Street, Archdale Building, Raleigh, North Carolina. Copies of such materials will be furnished to any person requesting copies upon payment of reproduction costs.

All persons desiring to make comments regarding the application for Clean Water Act certification should do so in writing delivered to the North Carolina Division of Water Quality (NCDWQ), Wetland/401 Unit, 1621 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1621, on or before April 7, 2003, Attention: Mr. John Dorney.

Written comments pertinent to the proposed work, as outlined above, will be received in this office, Attention: Mr. John Thomas, until 4:15 p.m., April 14, 2003, or telephone (919) 876-8441, Extension 25.

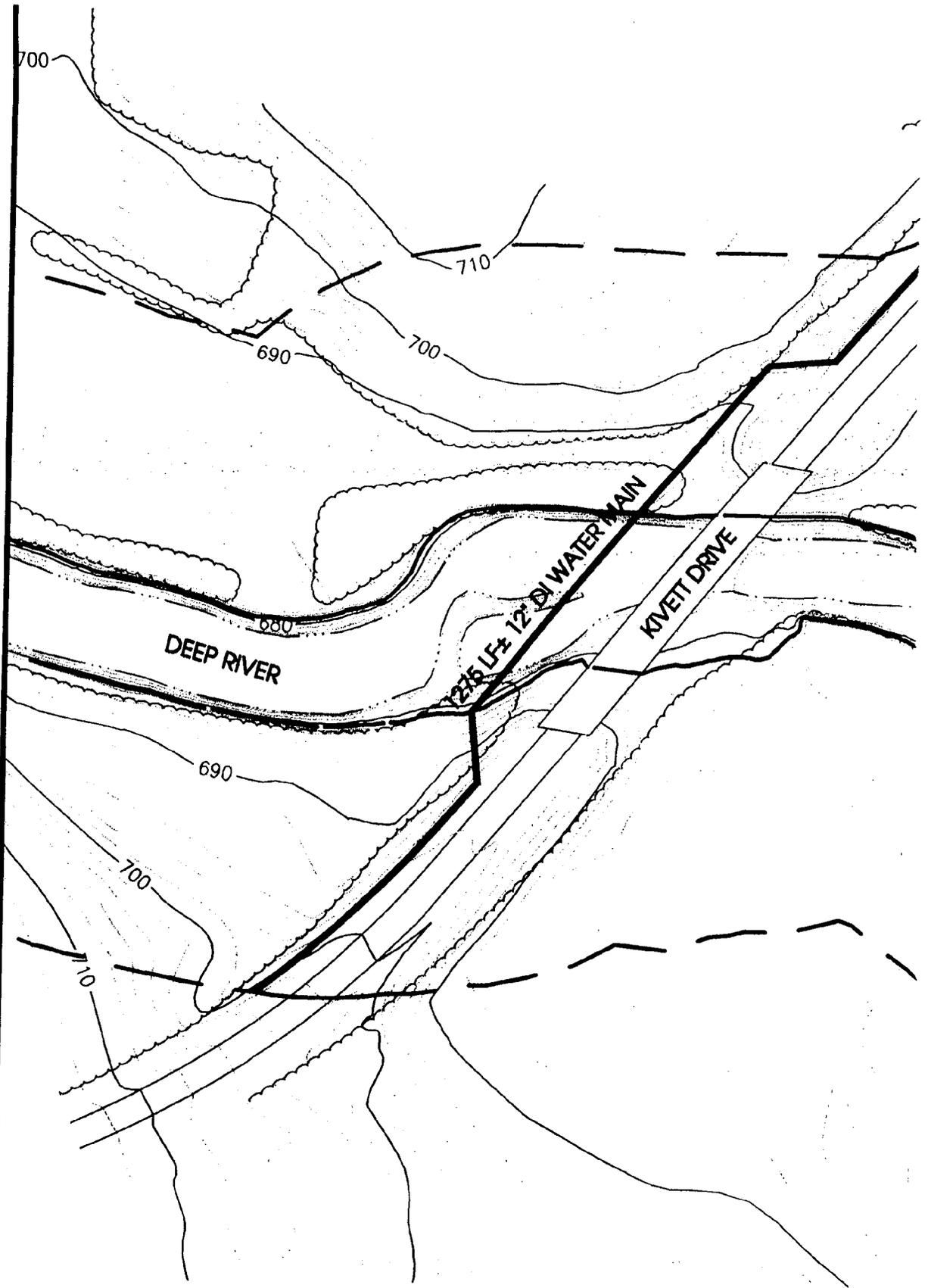


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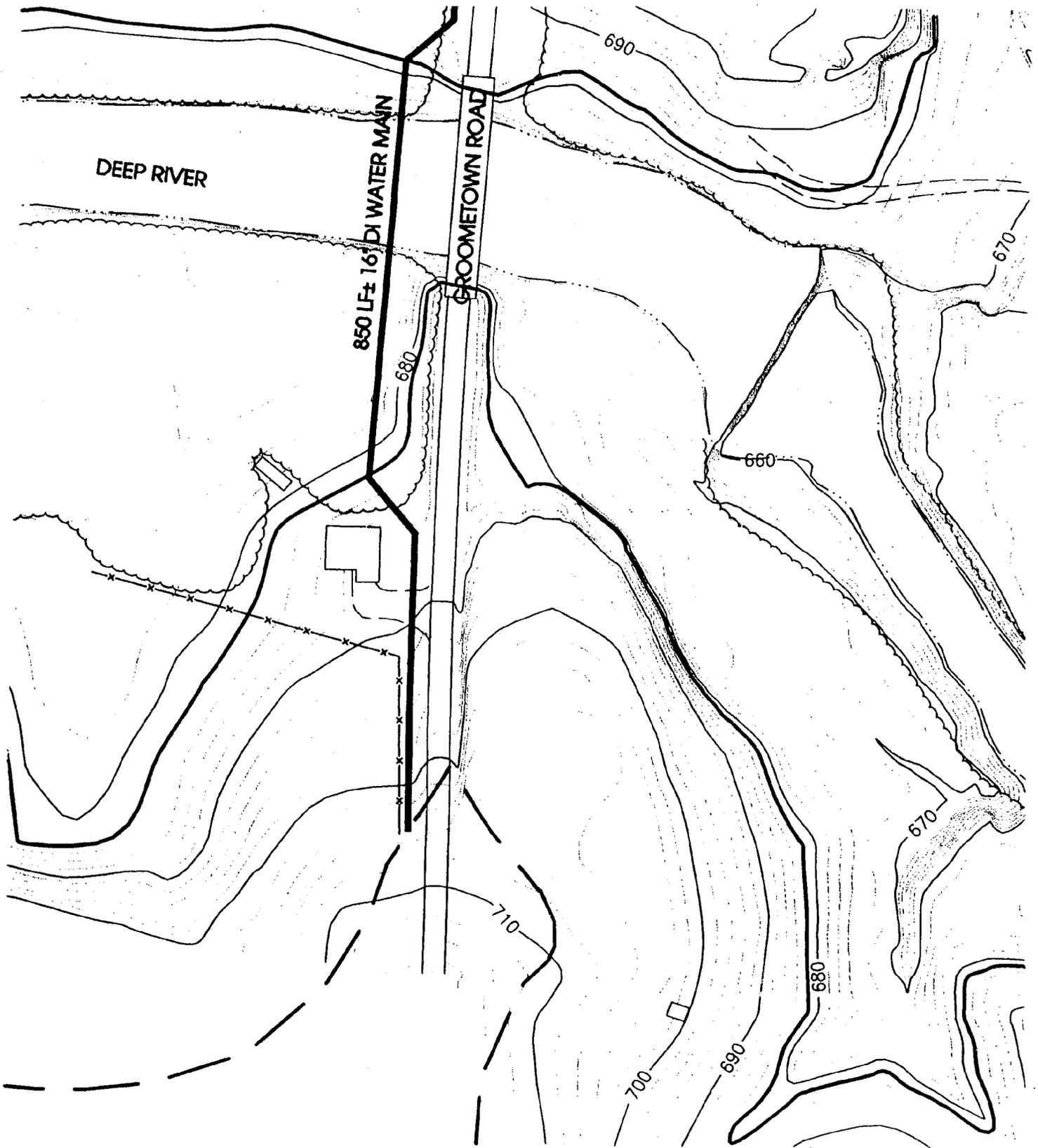
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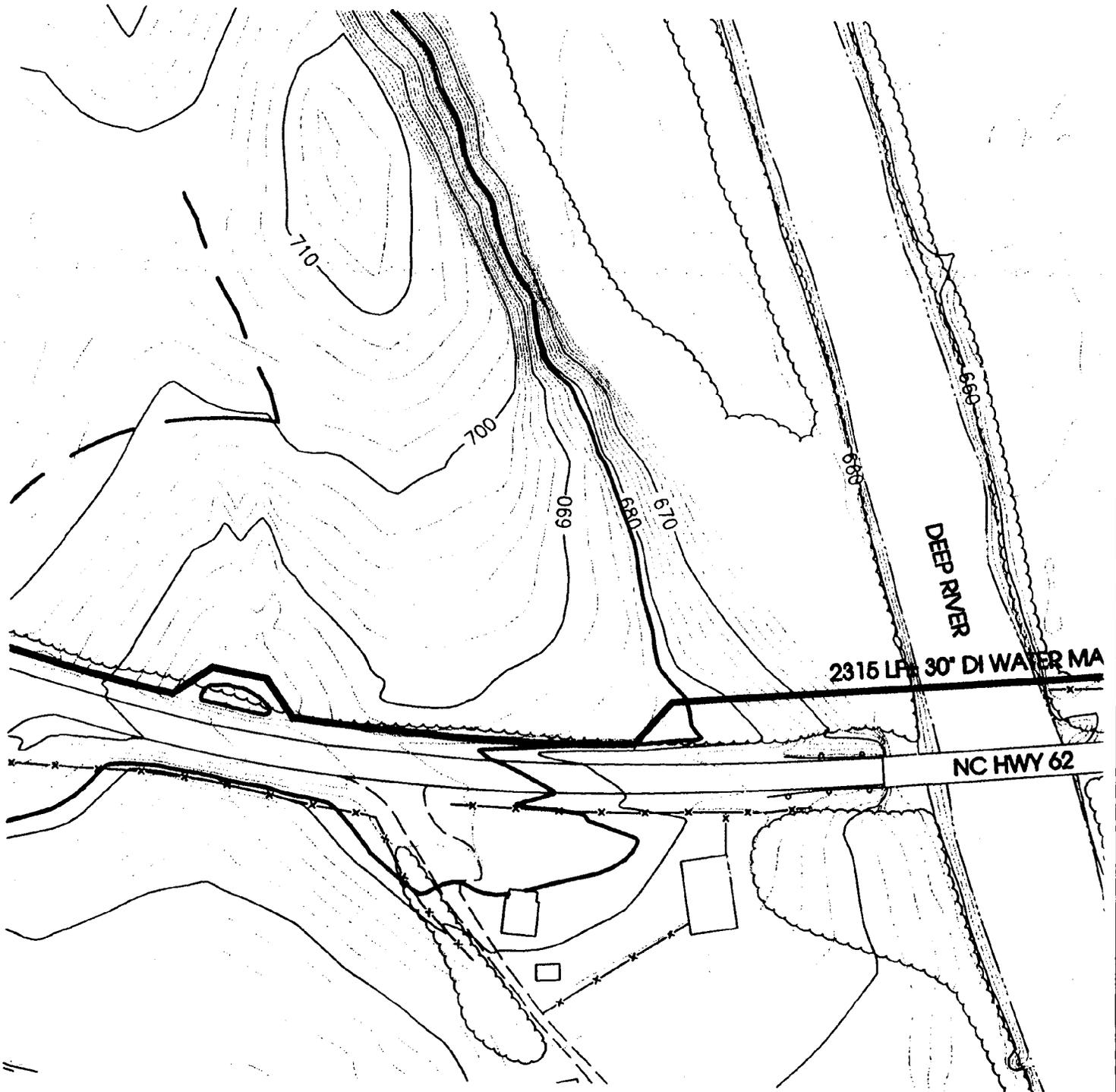
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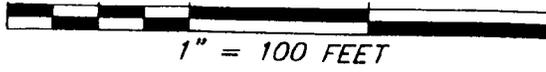
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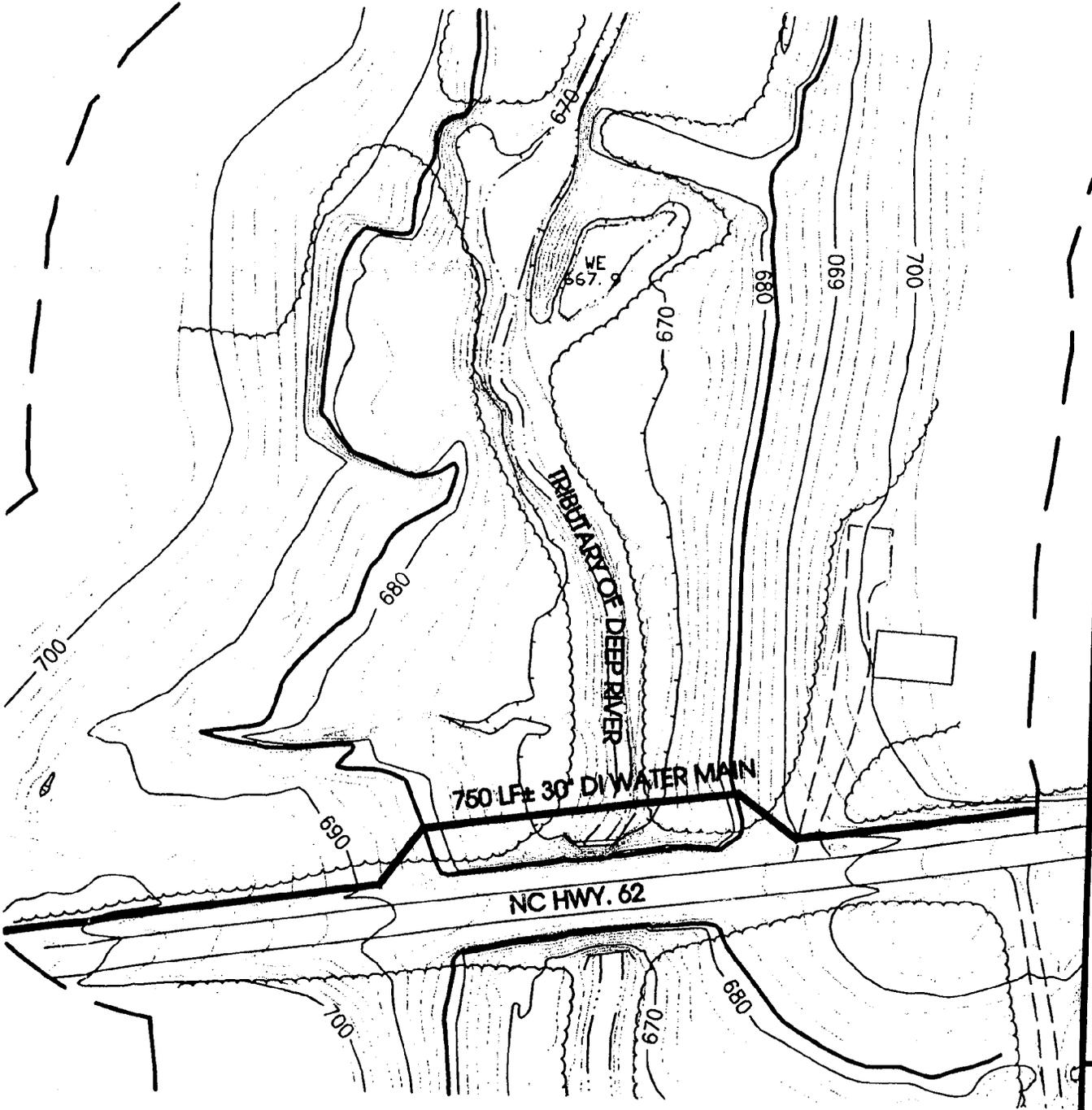


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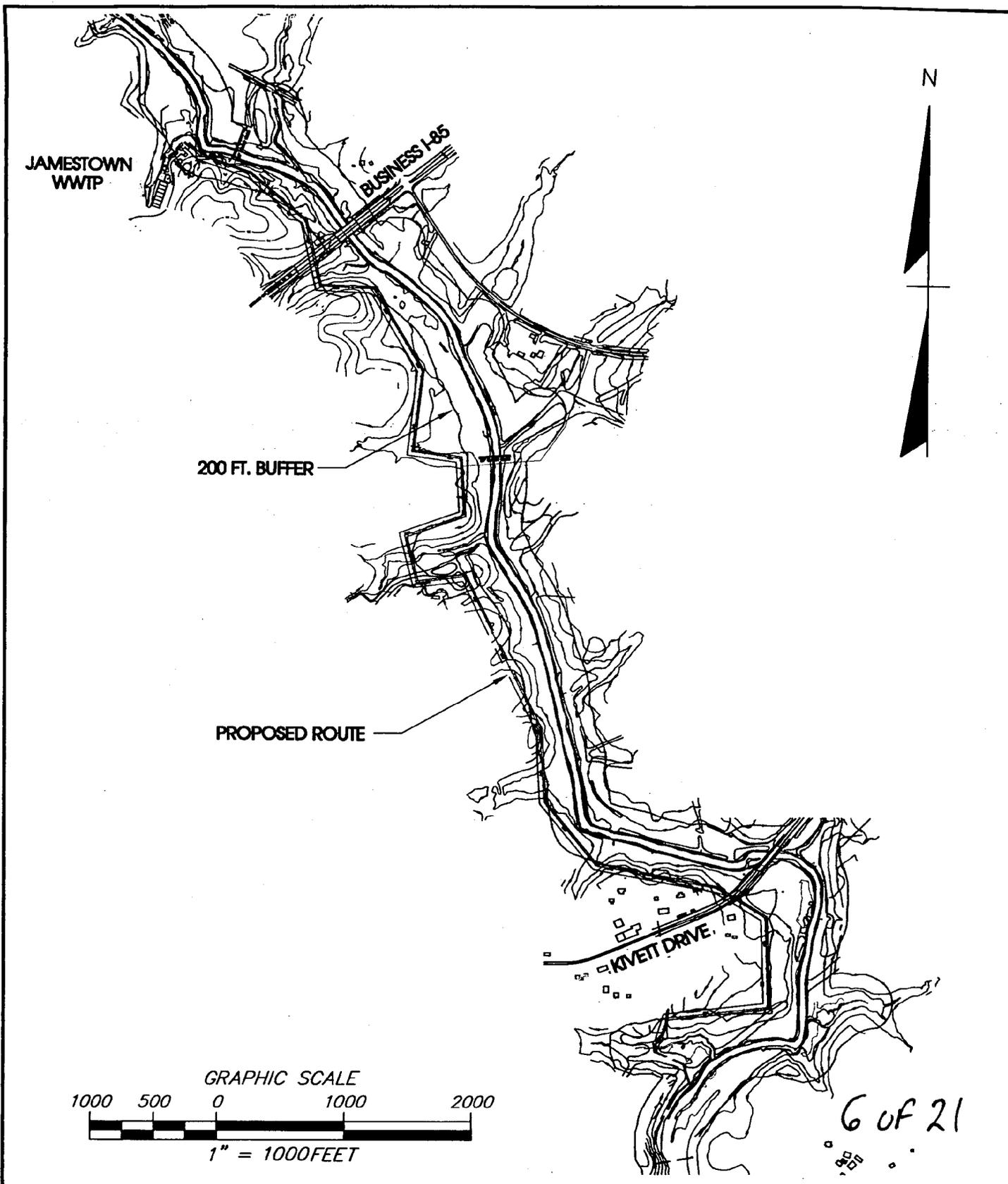
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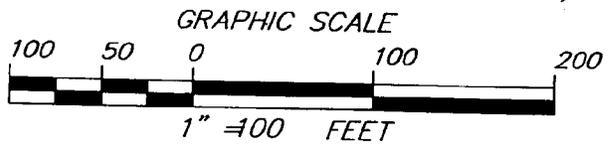
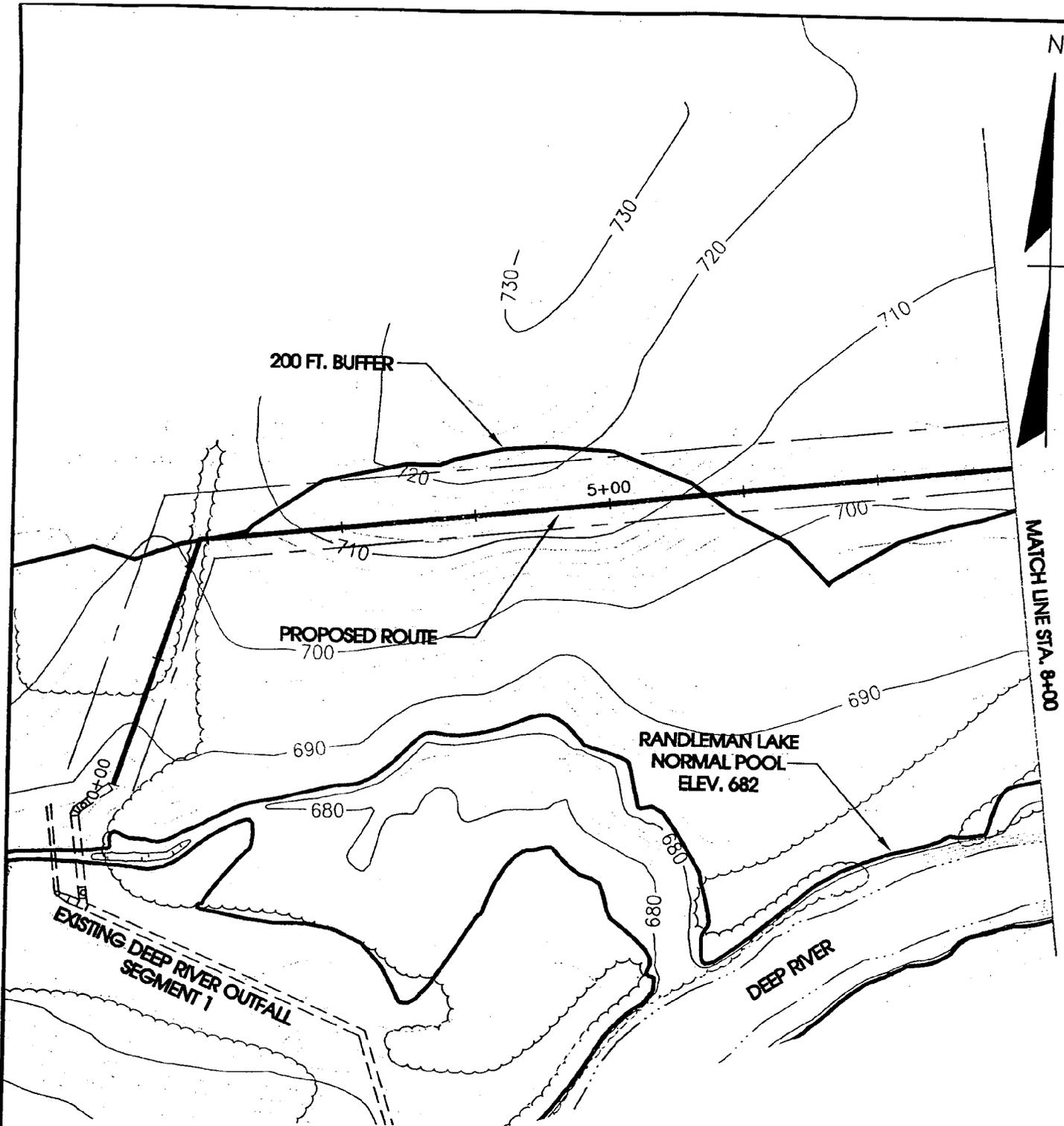


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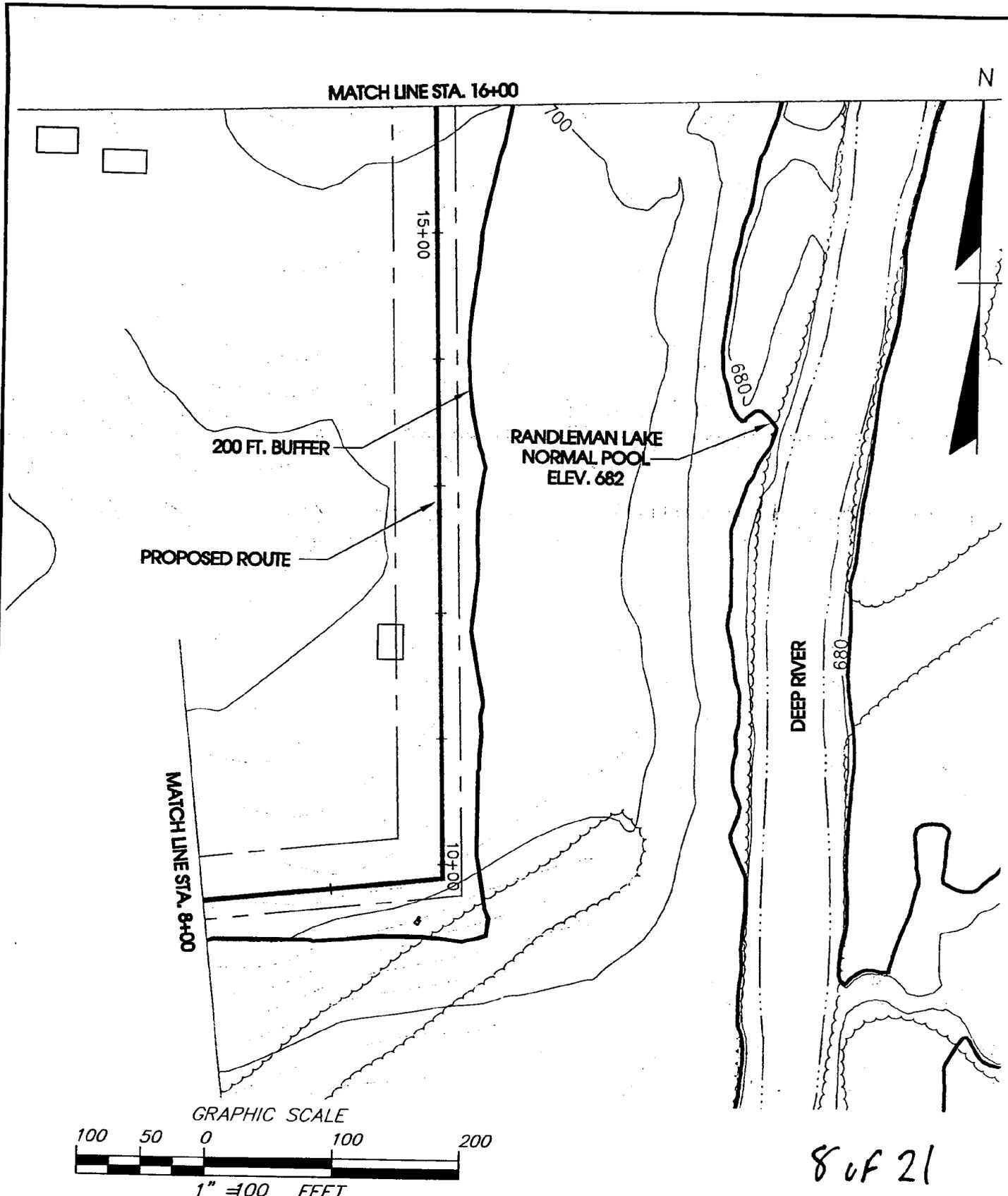
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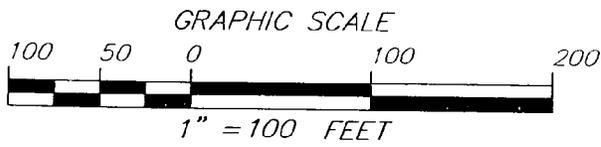
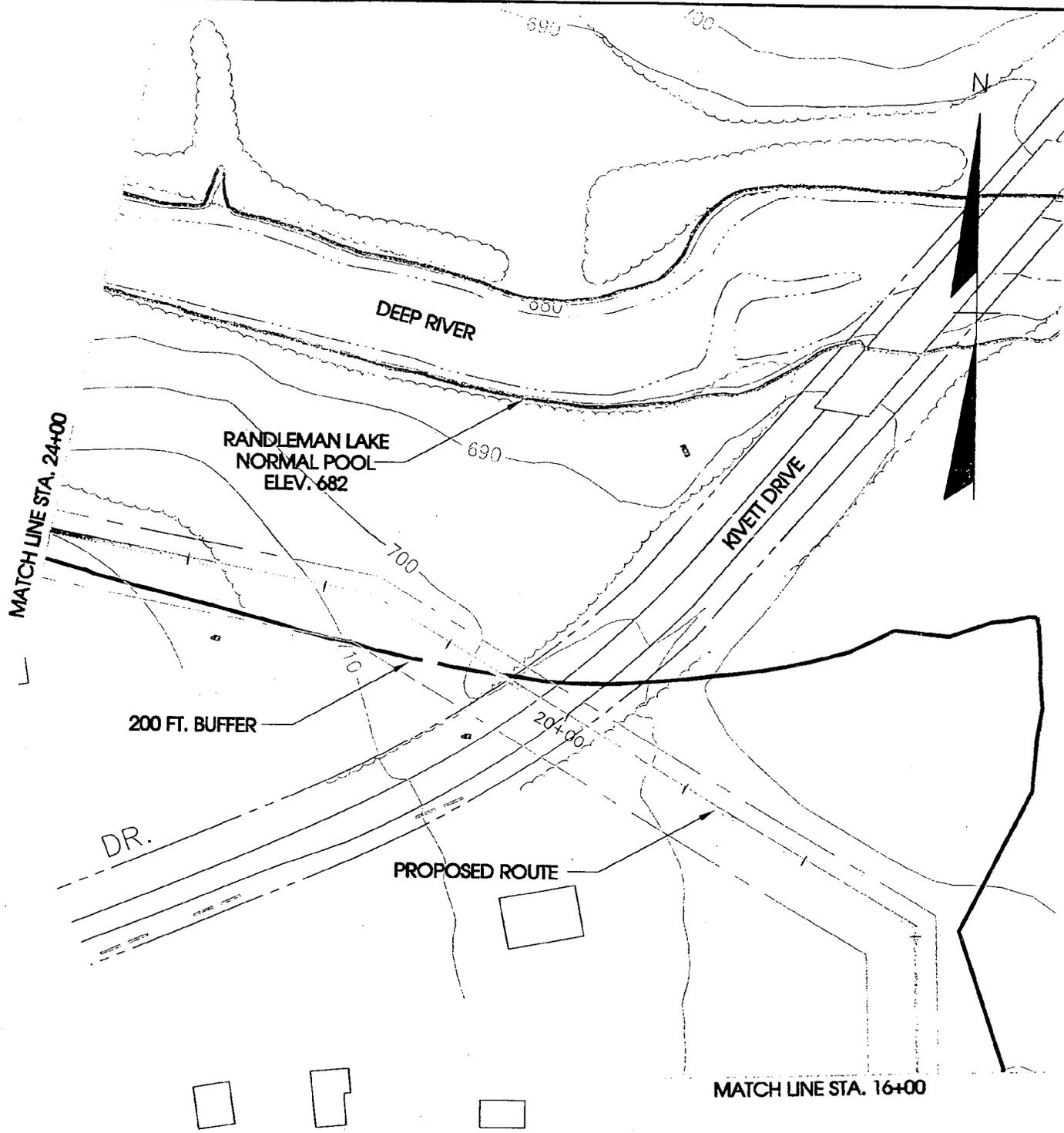
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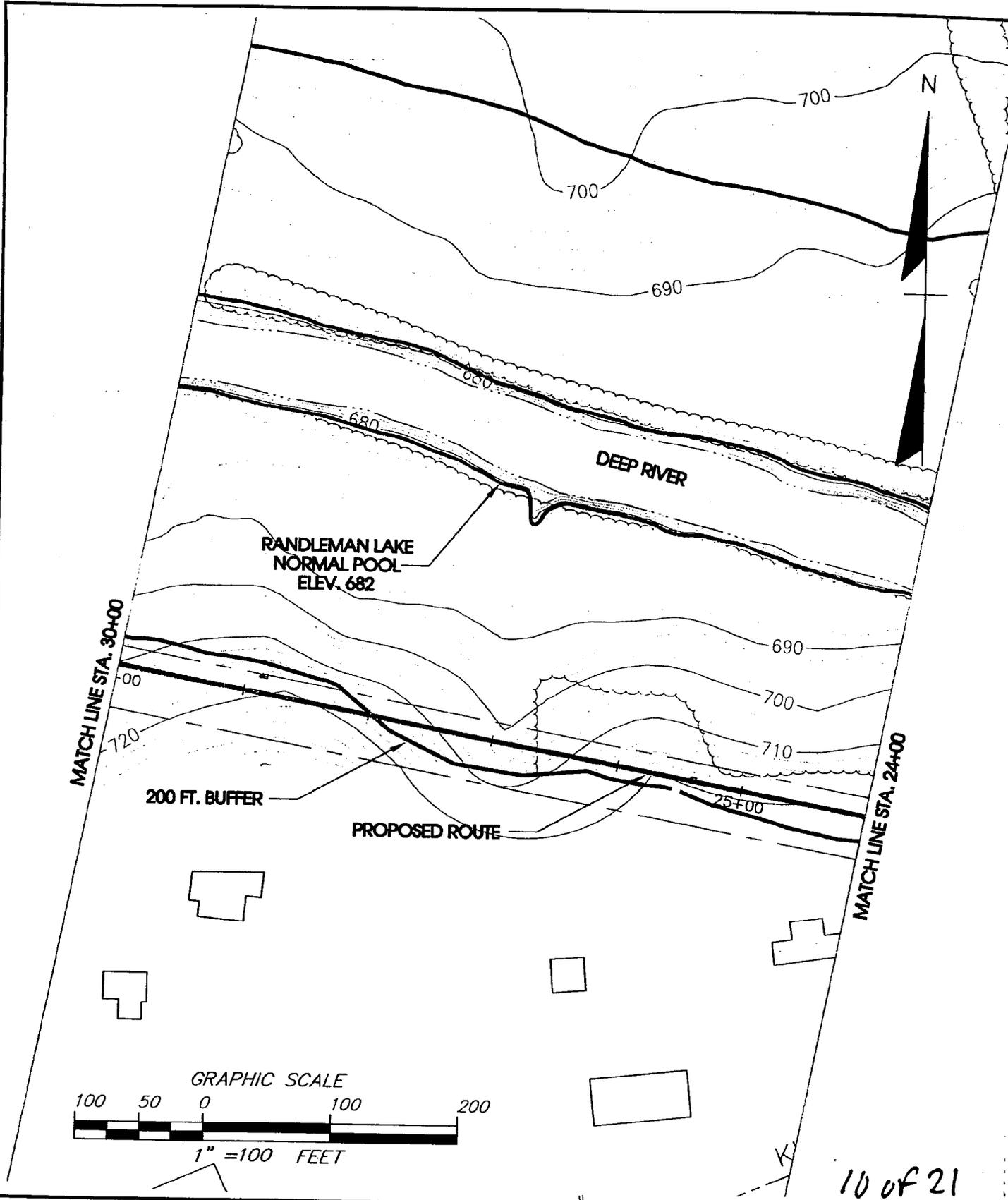
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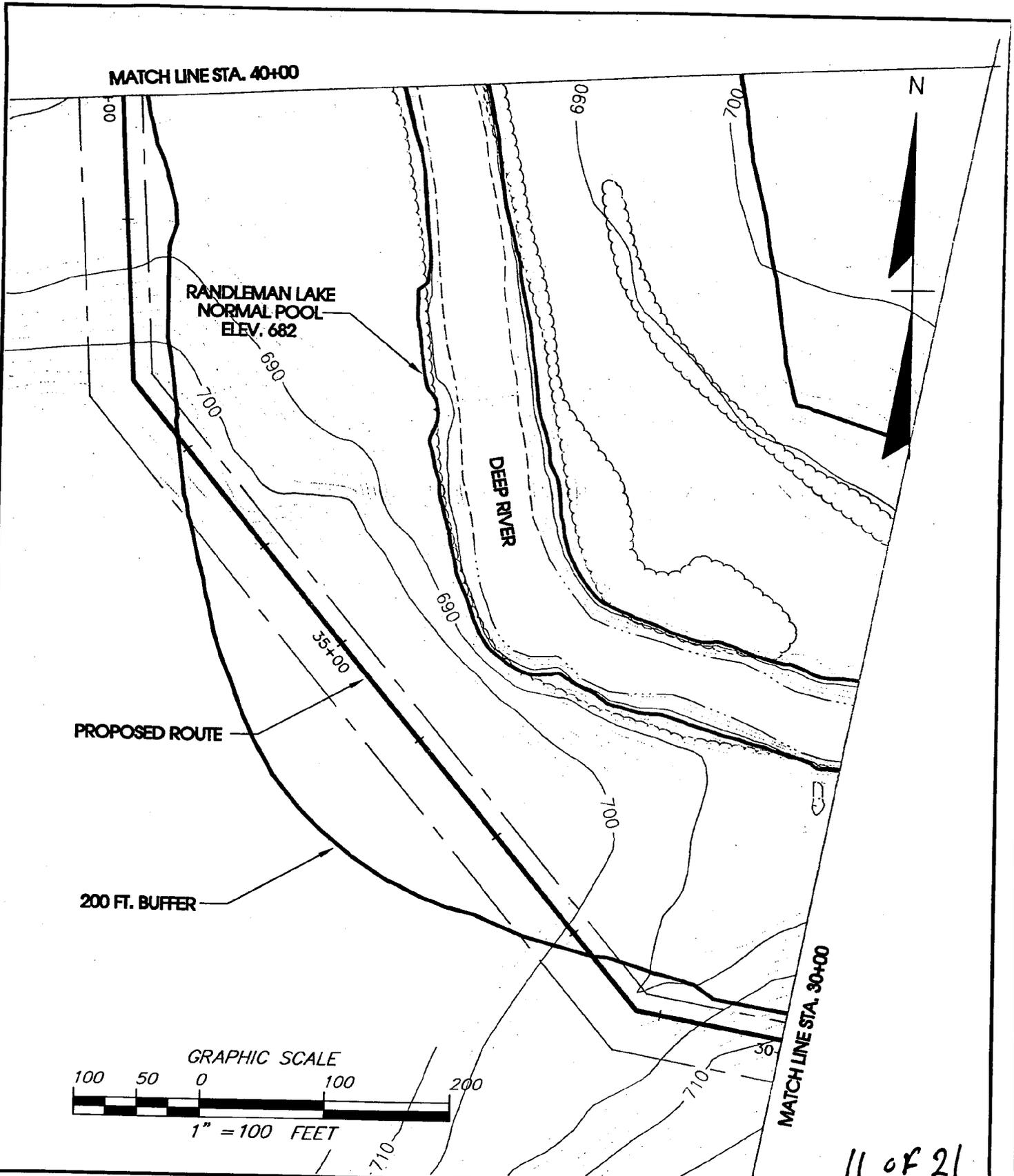
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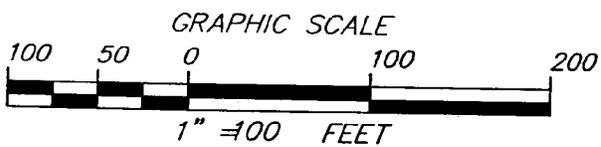
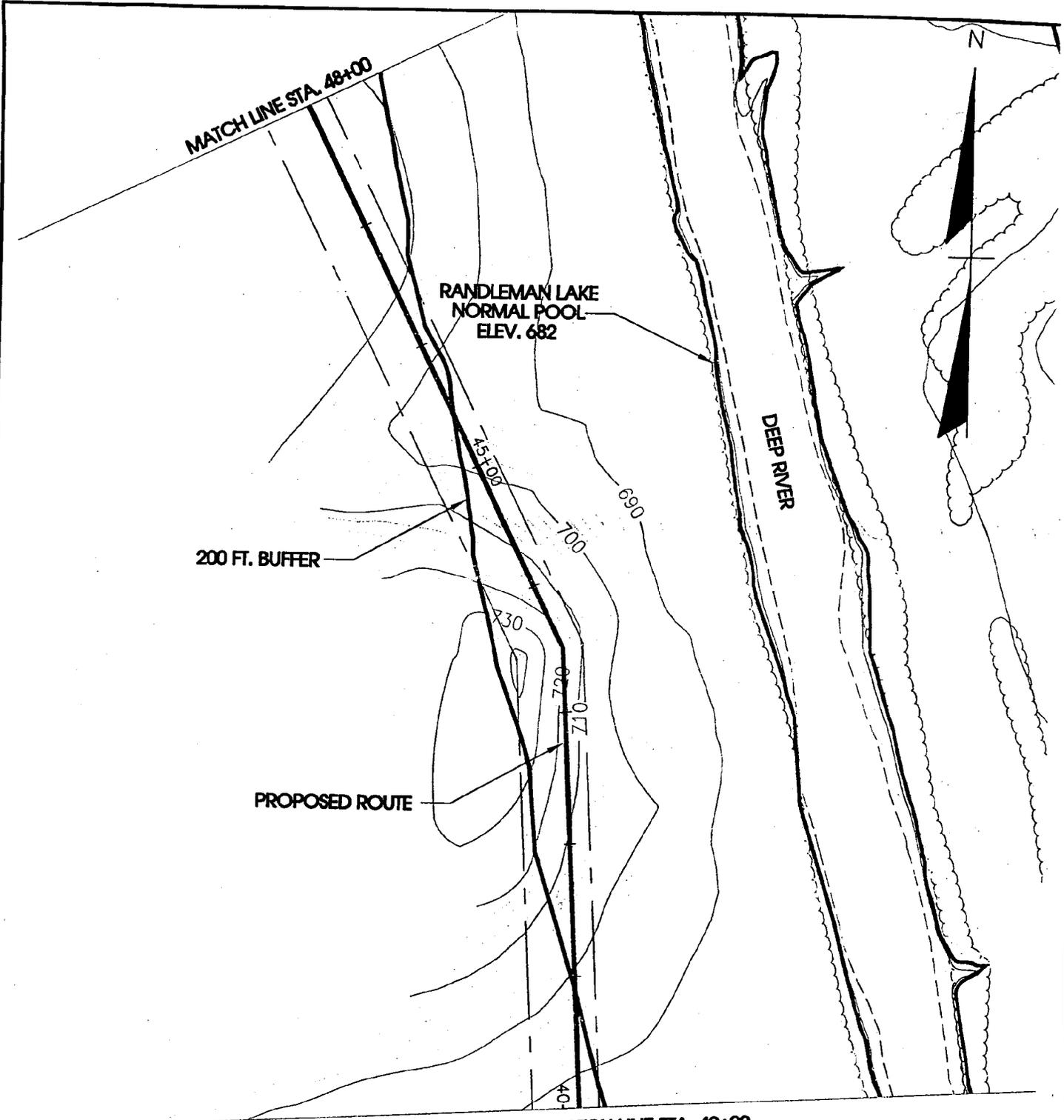
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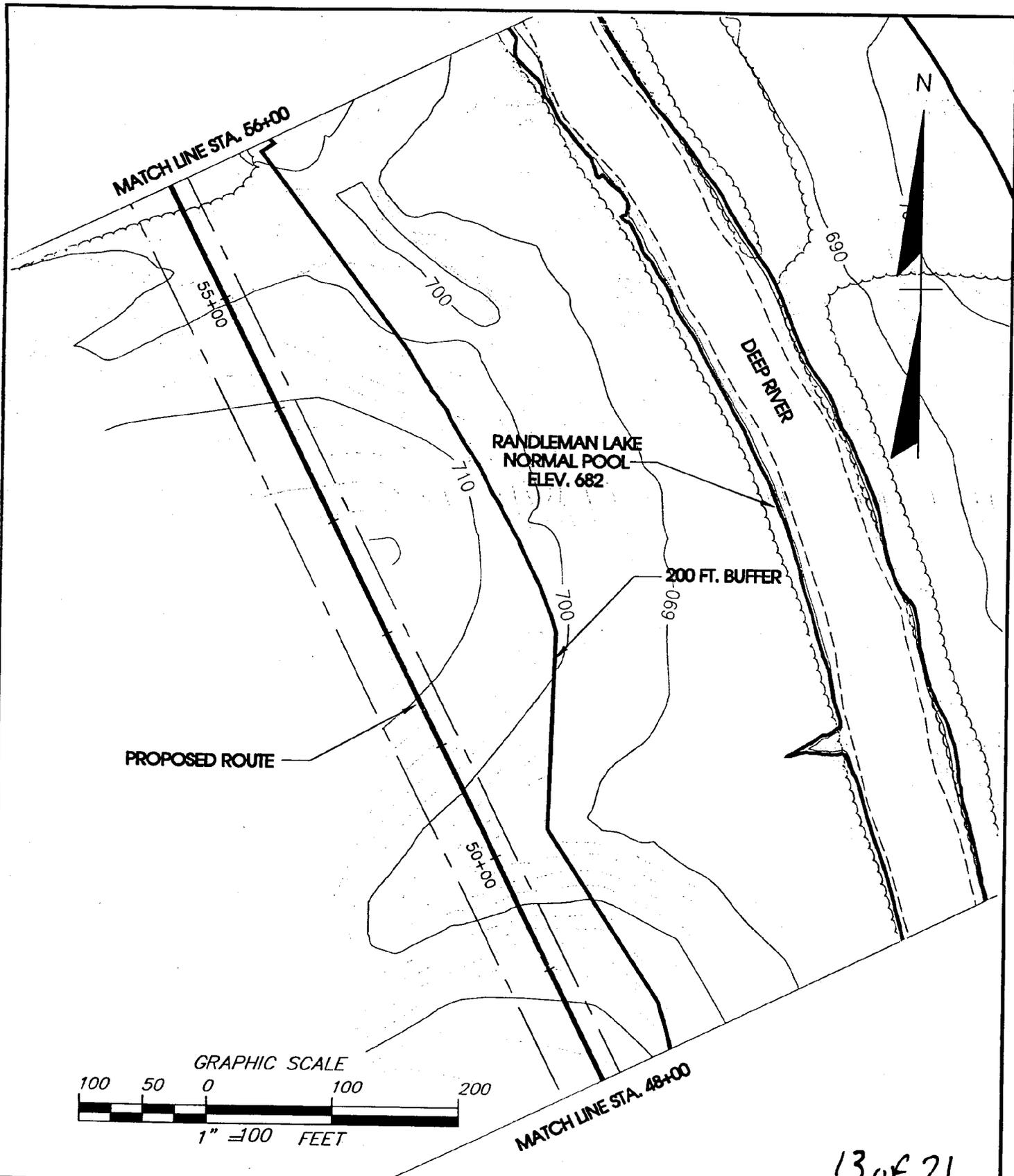
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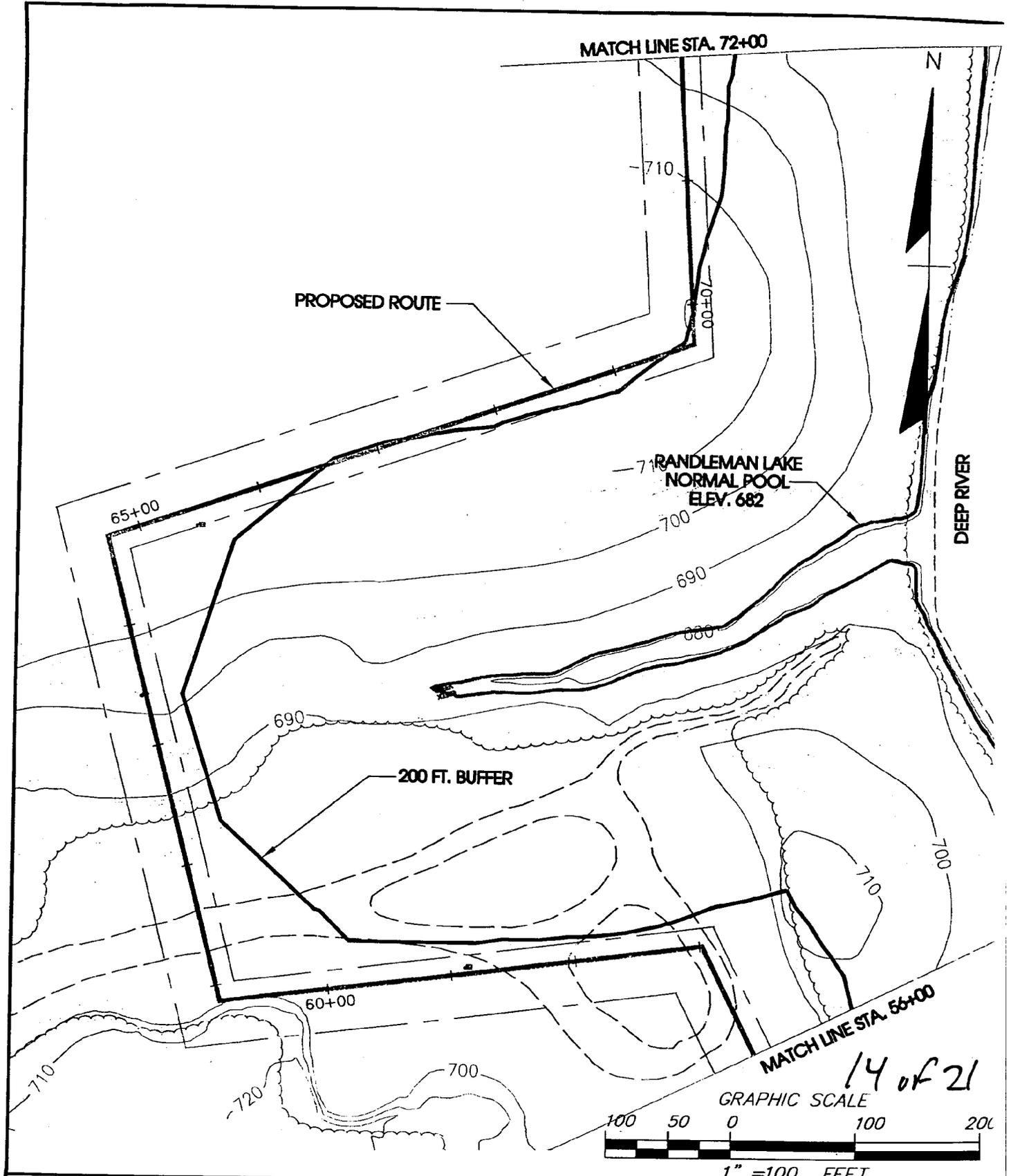
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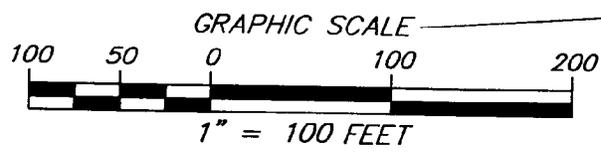
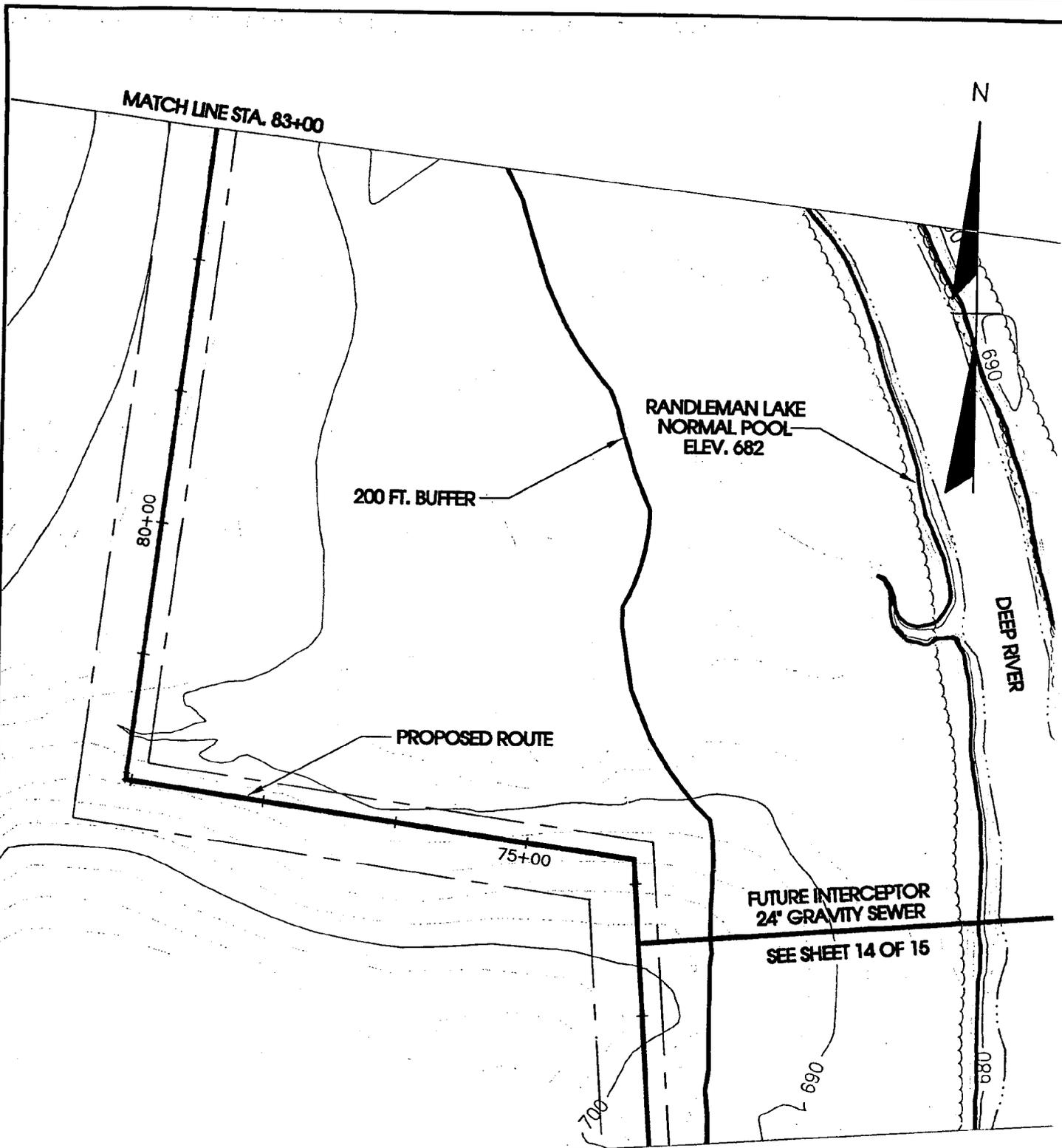
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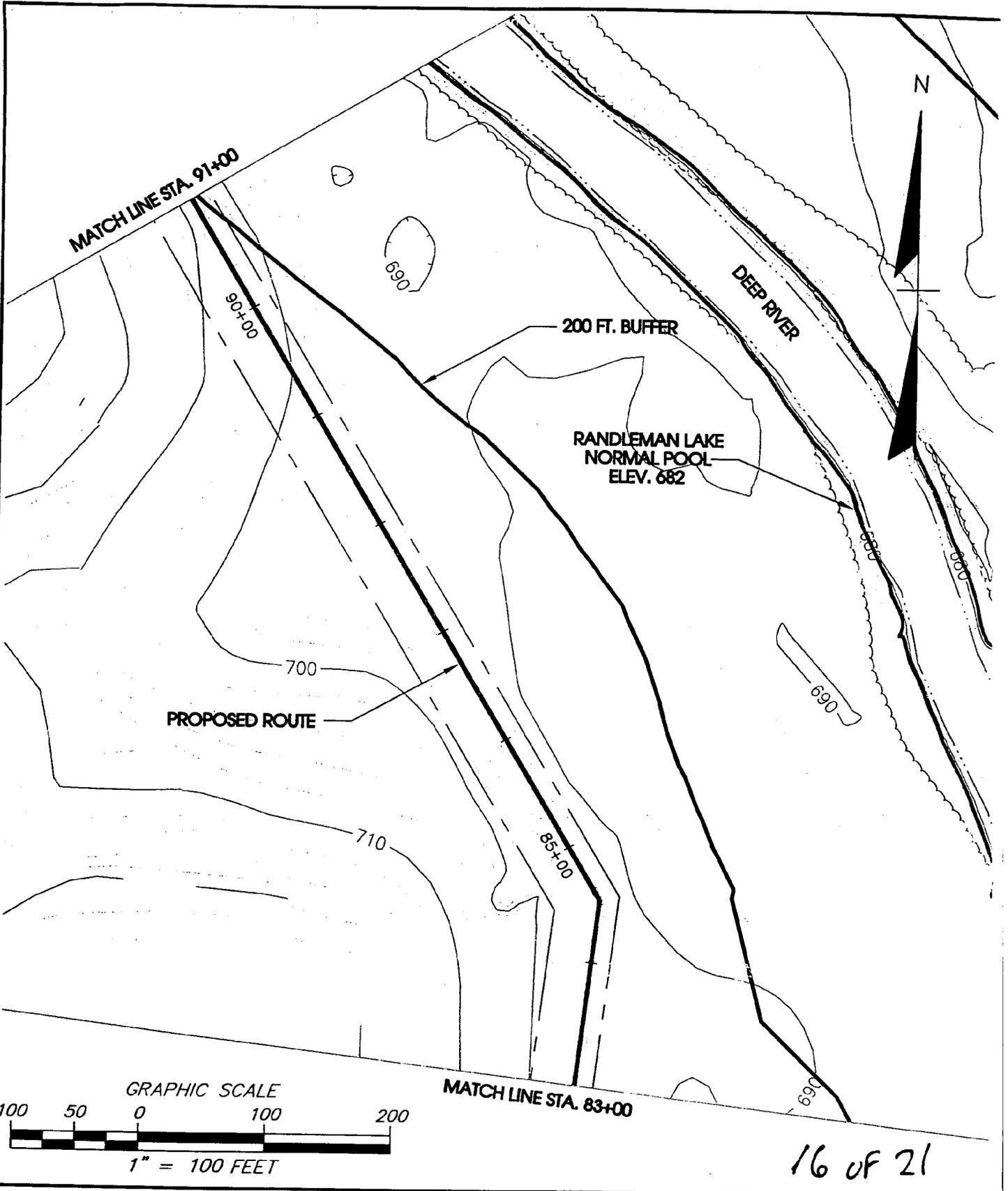


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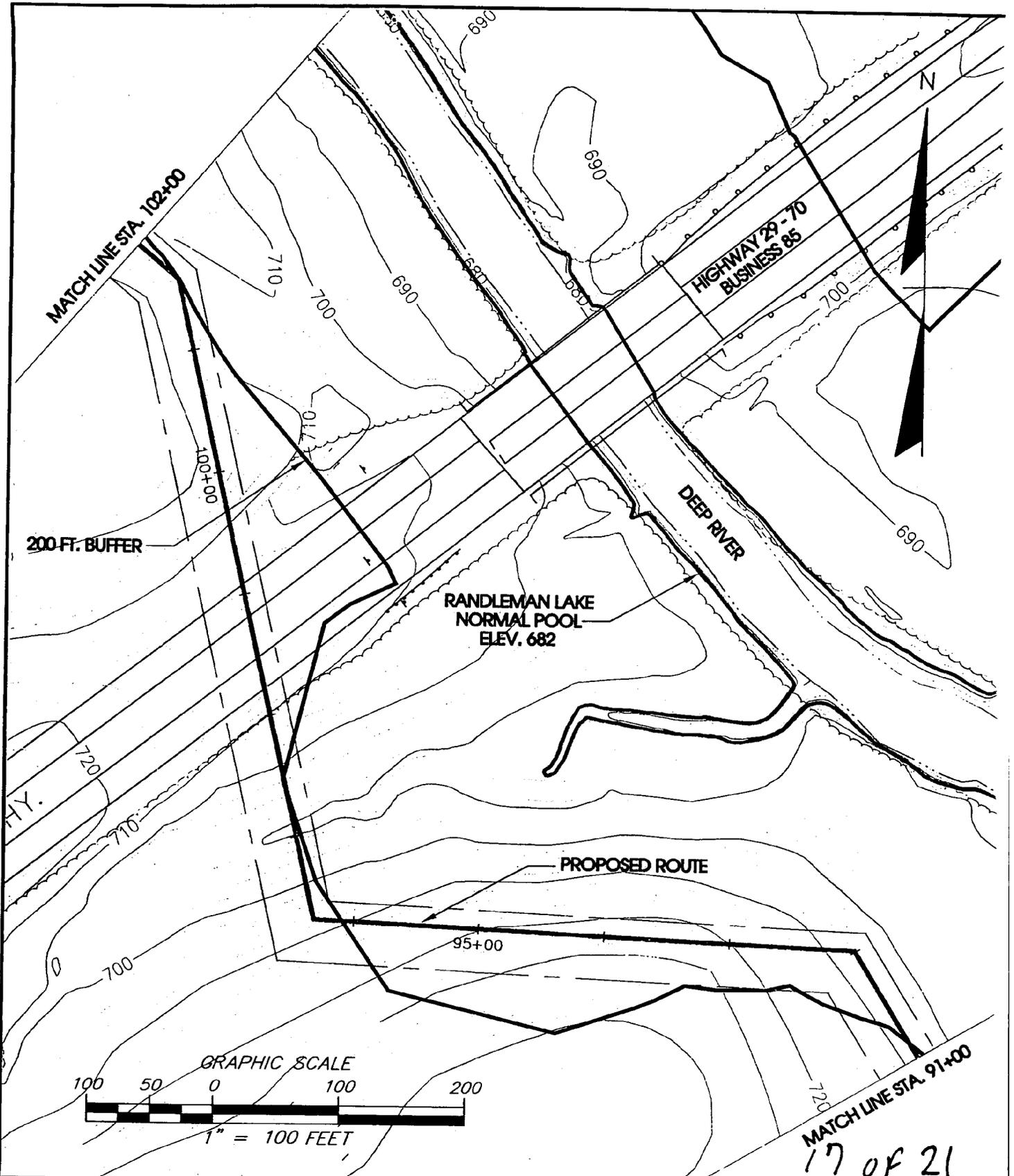
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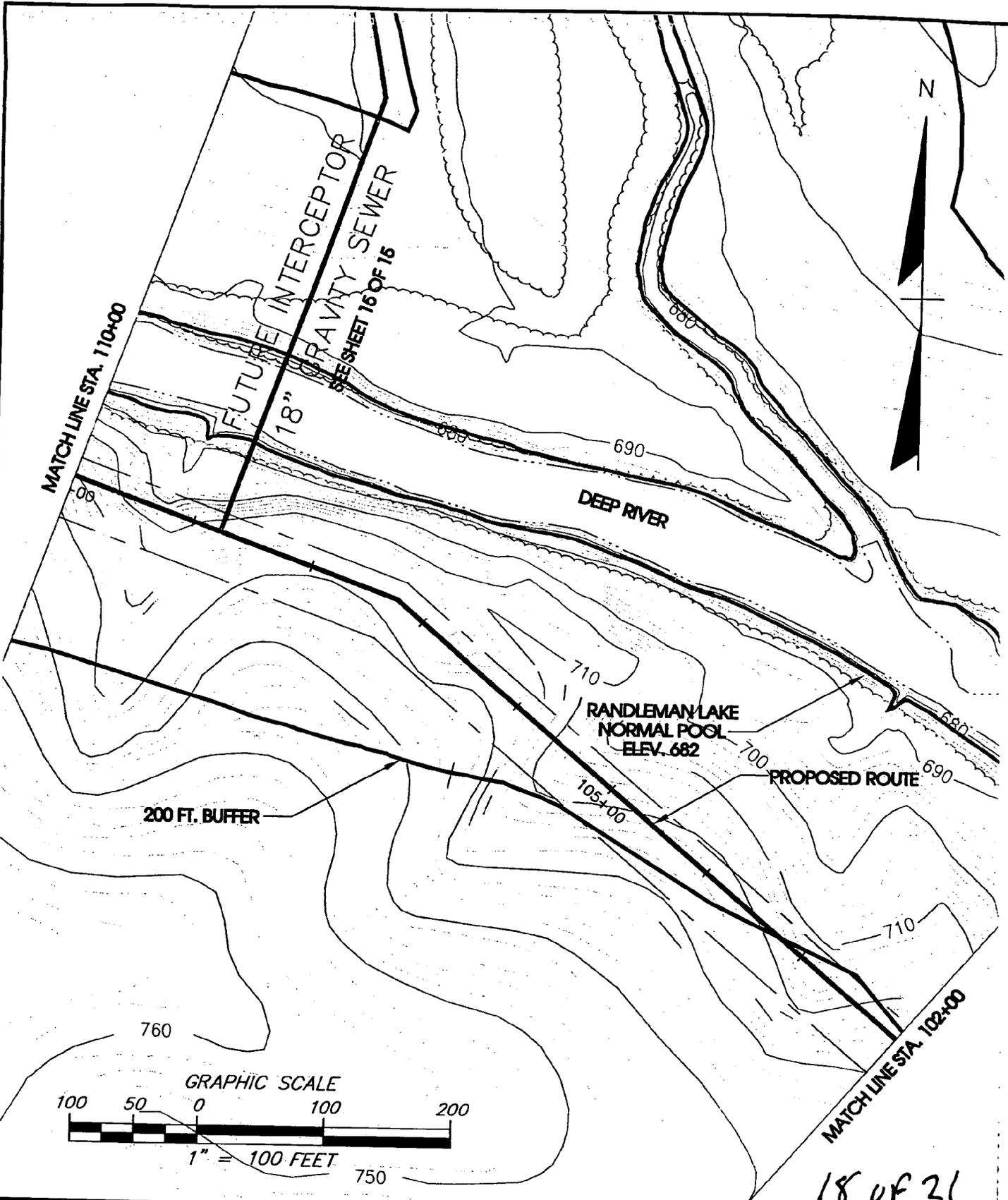
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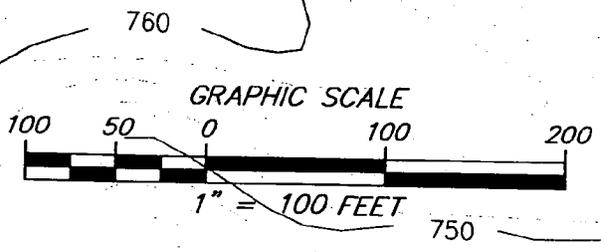
FUTURE INTERCEPTOR
18" GRAVITY SEWER
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DEEP RIVER

RANDLEMAN LAKE
NORMAL POOL
ELEV. 682

PROPOSED ROUTE

200 FT. BUFFER



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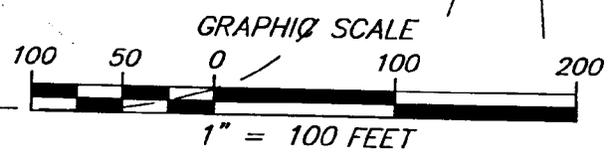
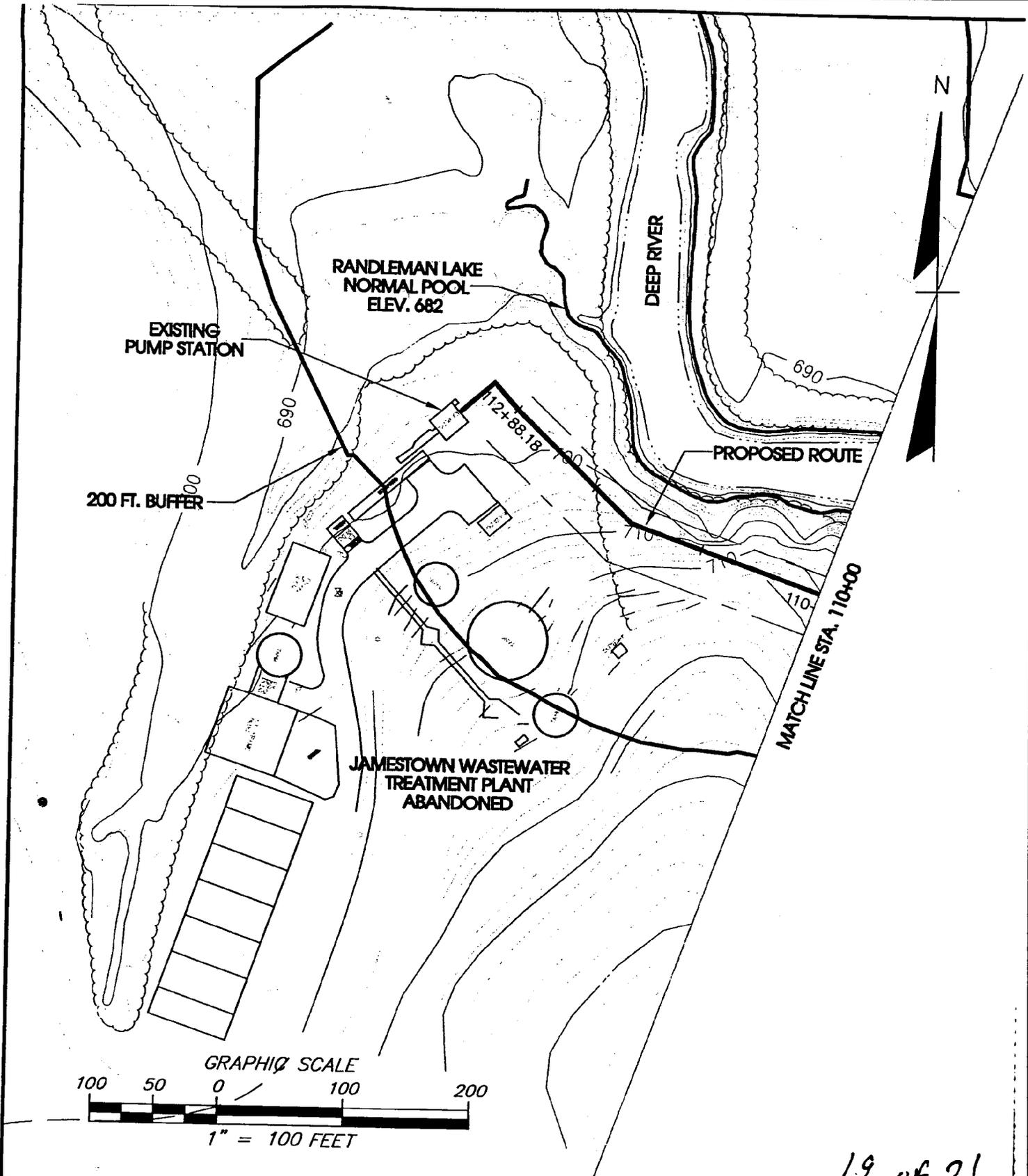
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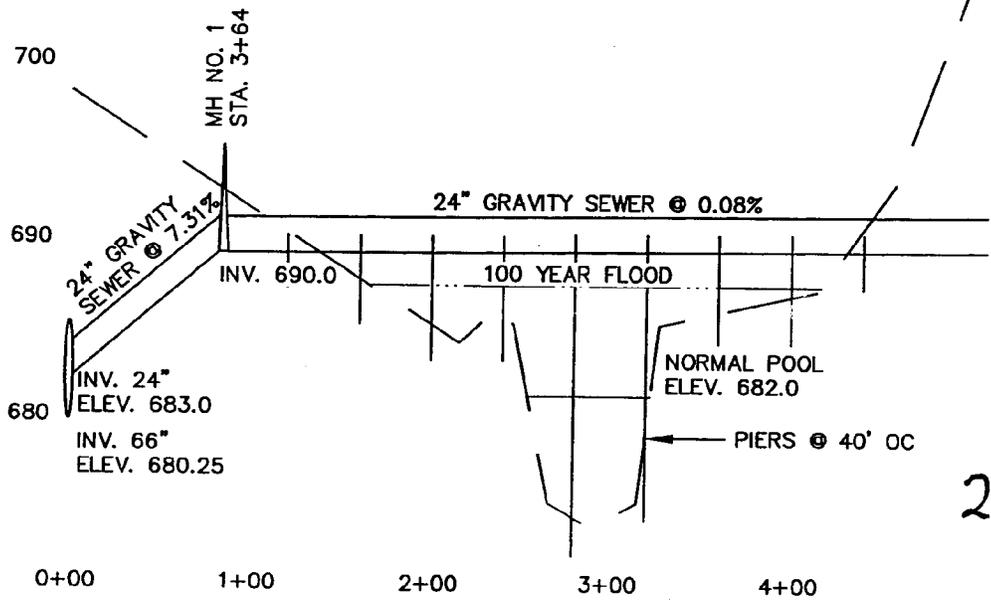
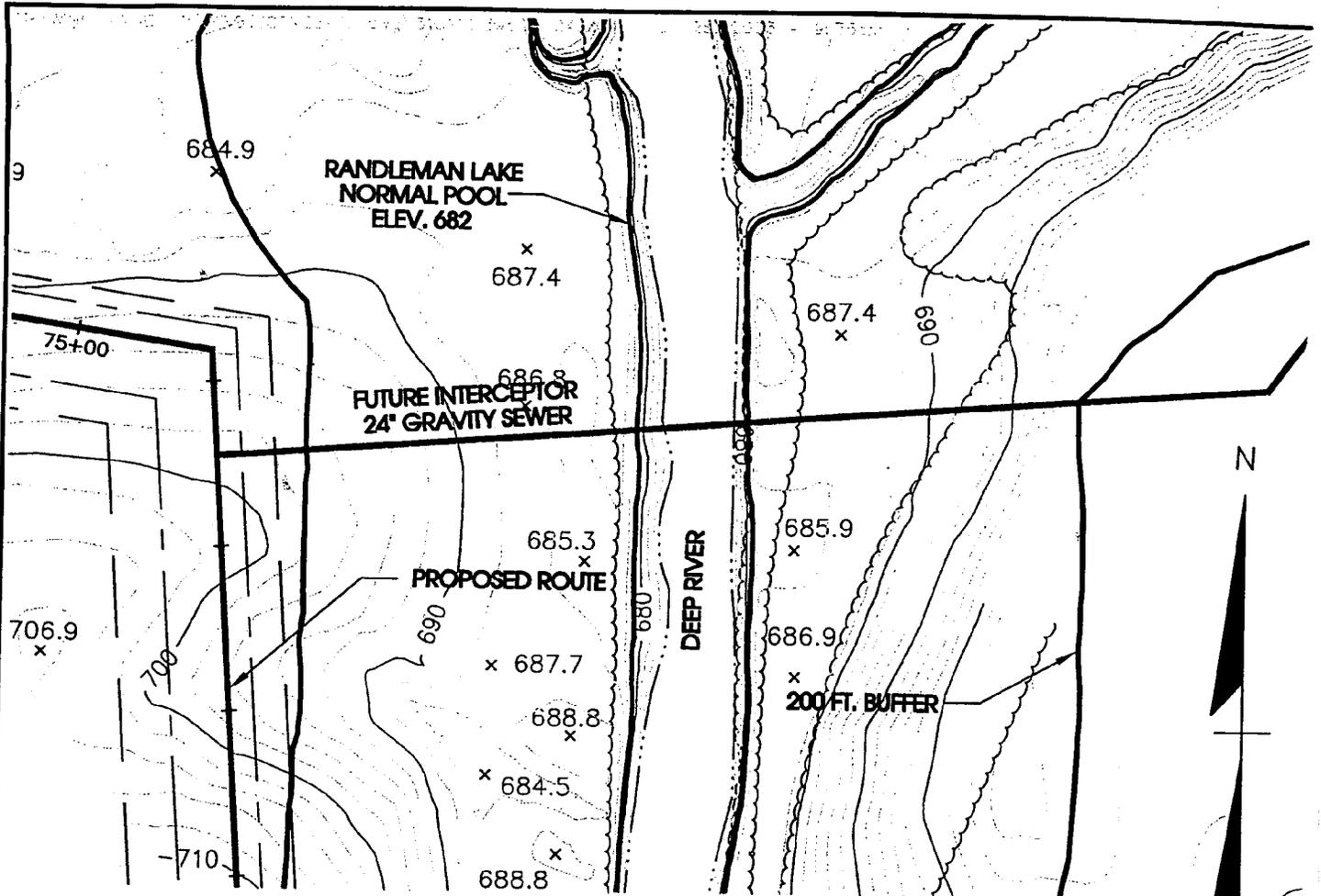
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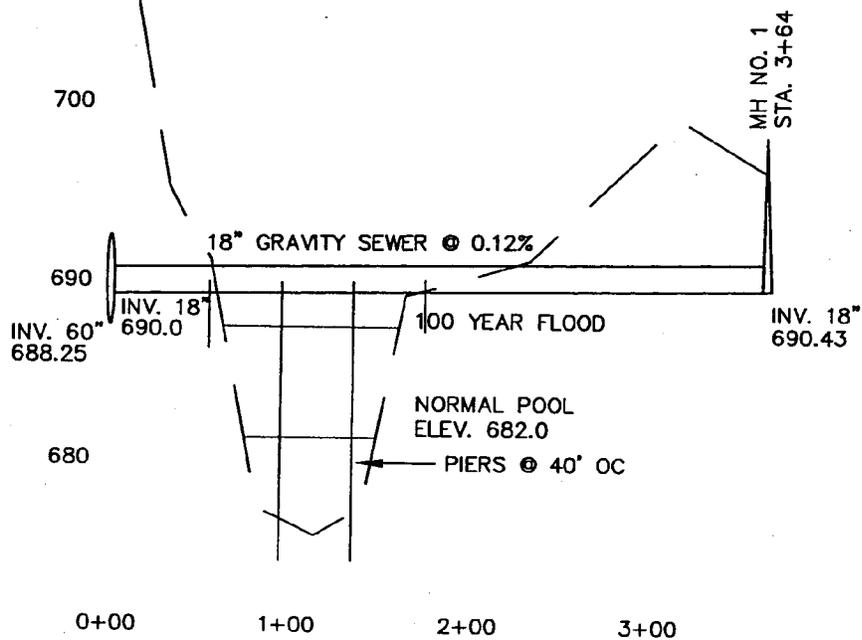
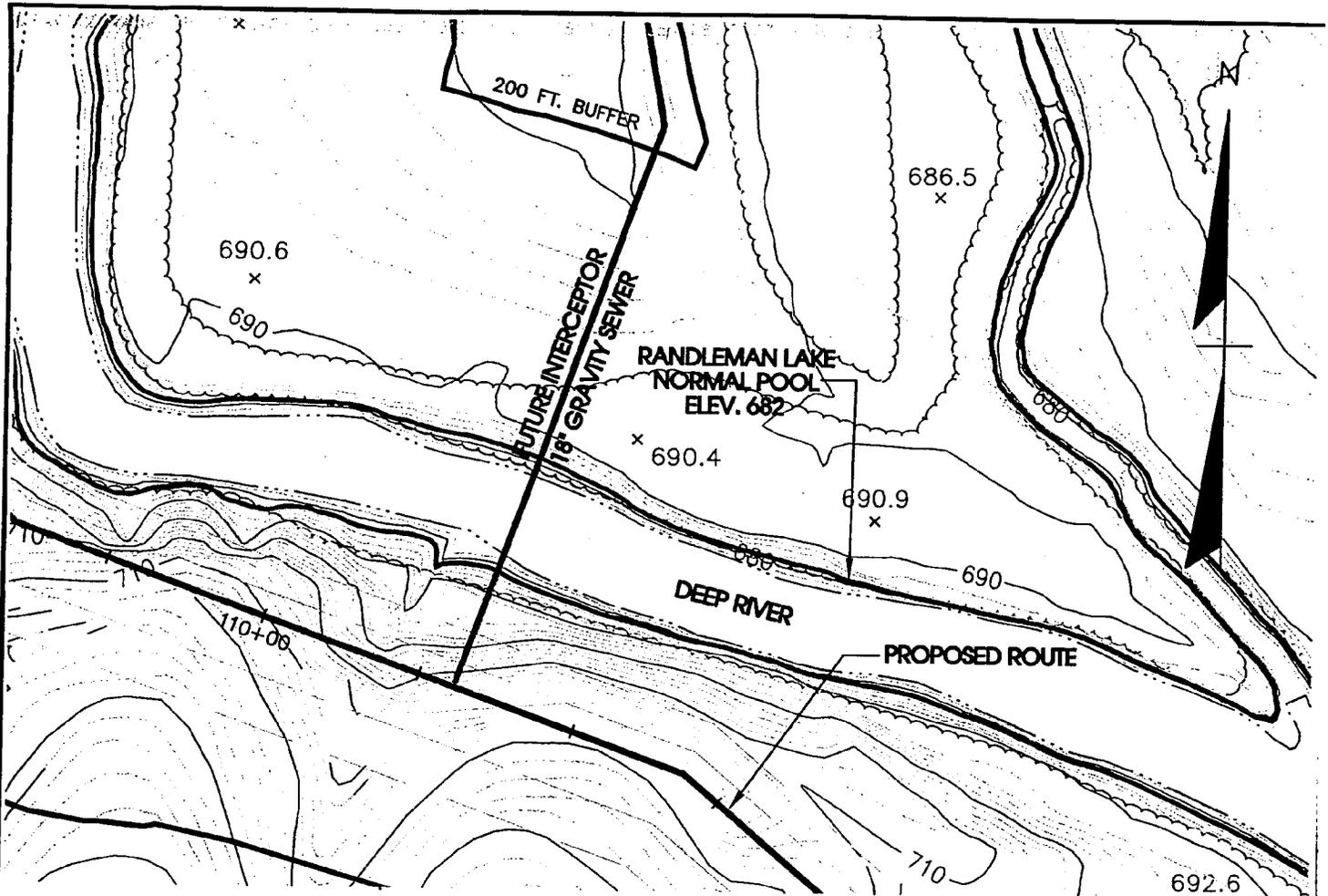
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