



**LA 20 BAYOU CHEVREUIL BRIDGE  
REPLACEMENT AND  
LA 20 WIDENING  
OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC MEETING**



**STATE PROJECT NOS. H.009481 AND H.013116  
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NOS. H009481 AND H013116  
LA 20 BAYOU CHEVREUIL BRIDGE REPLACEMENT  
AND  
LA 20 WIDENING  
ST. JAMES AND LAFOURCHE PARISHES, LOUISIANA**

**St. James Parish Court House Annex  
2631 HWY 20  
Vacherie, Louisiana 70090  
August 2, 2018  
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Thank you for attending this Open House Public Meeting for the proposed LA 20 Bayou Chevreuil Bridge Replacement and LA 20 Widening projects. In this handout you will find information about the proposed two projects, including preliminary project descriptions and location maps. Also included is a comment form.

Project team members are stationed throughout the room to discuss the two projects and answer your questions. These individuals are easily identified by their name tags. Please take this opportunity to discuss the project with team members. **There will be no formal presentation.**

At this meeting you will find five stations:

**Station 1: Sign-in Table**

At this station, there are sign-in sheets for General Public, Elected and Other Officials, Agency Personnel, and News Media. Please sign in on the appropriate sheet.

**Station 2: Exhibits**

This station consists of a series of figures that show the proposed projects on aerial photographs and typical sections.

**Station 3: Continuous PowerPoint Presentation**

This short presentation provides an overview of the proposed LA 20 Bayou Chevreuil Bridge Replacement and LA 20 Widening projects. The presentation will re-start automatically after a one-minute intermission. **The continuous PowerPoint presentation and the exhibits shown tonight are available on the DOTD website at:**  
[http://wwwapps.dotd.la.gov/administration/public\\_info/projects/home.aspx?key=125](http://wwwapps.dotd.la.gov/administration/public_info/projects/home.aspx?key=125)

**Station 4: Real Estate**

At this station, the DOTD Brochure explaining the Acquisition of Right of Way is available and a DOTD Real Estate representative is present to explain DOTD's right of way acquisition procedures.

## **Station 5: Comment Table**

At this station, comments can be made verbally or in writing. A tape recorder is available at this table for verbal comments. The last page of this handout is a comment form that you may use. Comments can be turned in during this meeting or mailed to the address on the back of the form. Additional comment forms are also available to be taken with you. **Please note that comments mailed after this meeting must be postmarked no later than August 13, 2018 to be included as part of the meeting transcript.**

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to provide input on the proposed LA 20 Bayou Chevreuil Bridge Replacement and LA 20 Widening in St. James and Lafourche Parishes. Thank you for attending this meeting and for providing input.

## **PRELIMINARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

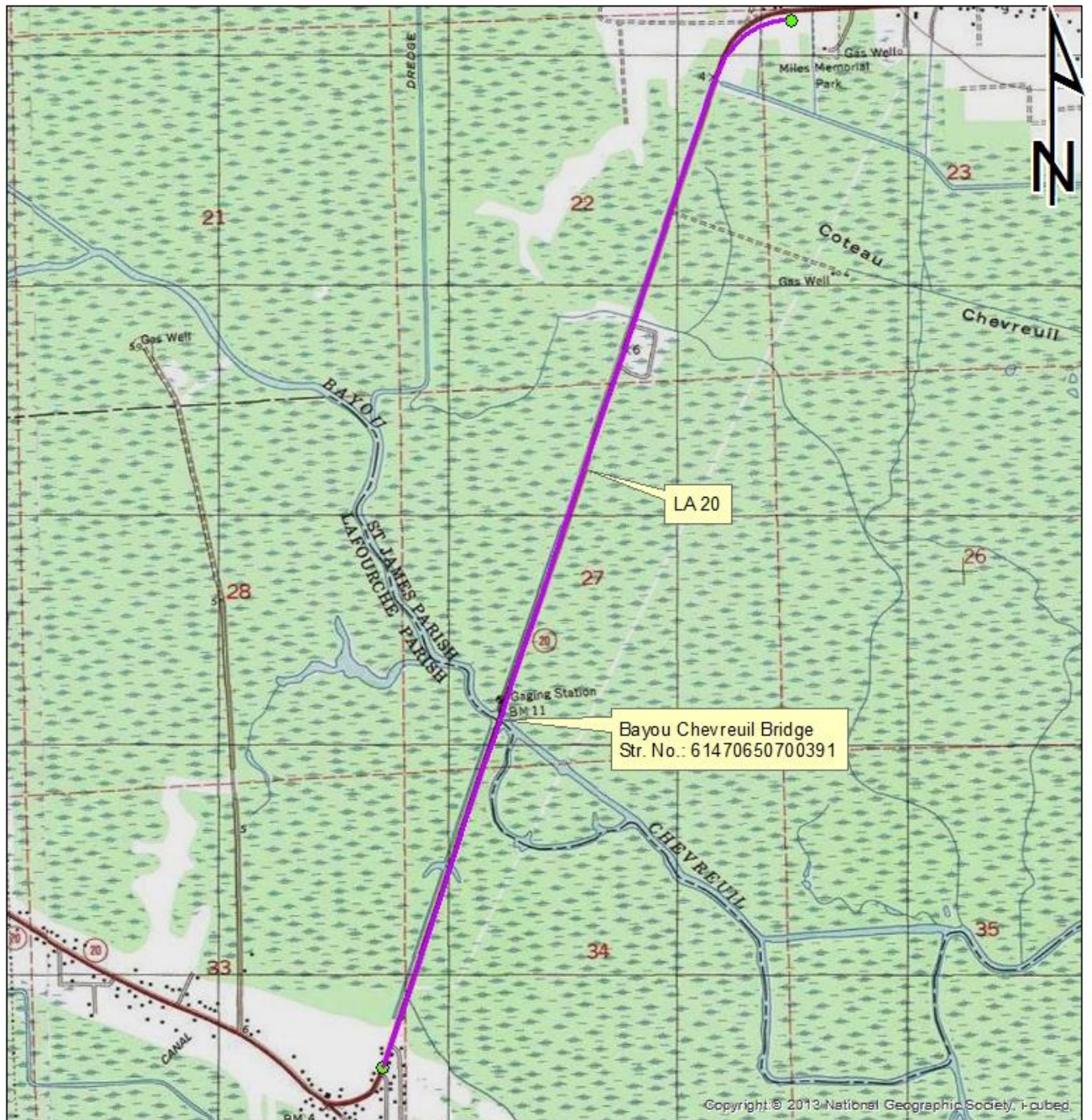
The two projects being proposed by Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), using federal funds, include the replacement of the Bayou Chevreuil Bridge located along LA 20 and the widening of LA 20 from LA 307 to South Vacherie in St. James and Lafourche Parishes, (Figures 1 and 2). The new bridge would have two 12-foot wide travel lanes and two 8-foot wide outside shoulders for an overall roadway width of 40 feet. During construction there will be a detour bridge that is 27.5 feet wide with two 12-foot wide travel lanes. The detour bridge will be removed after construction of the Bayou Chevreuil Bridge on LA 20 is complete.

## **PRELIMINARY PURPOSE AND NEED**

The purpose of the bridge replacement project is to provide a safe and reliable crossing for Bayou Chevreuil on LA 20. This would be accomplished by improving the driver's line-of-sight by reducing the height of the bridge and increasing the bridge's length. The purpose of the proposed LA 20 widening project is to improve the safety and efficiency of LA 20 from LA 307 northward towards LA 3127. The LA 20 widening project would provide shoulder improvements to aid in vehicle recovery and/or containment.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS**

Categorical Exclusions are being prepared for the proposed projects. As part of the environmental process, DOTD will address comments from this meeting; complete data review, field work, and the Categorical Exclusion documents. The Bayou Chevreuil Bridge Replacement project would impact the Bayou Chevreuil boat launch. Projects that impact recreation properties, historic sites, or wildlife refuges must also be evaluated according to requirements of U.S. Department of Transportation Act Section 4(f) (Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges, and Historical Sites, 23 CFR Part 774).




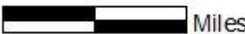

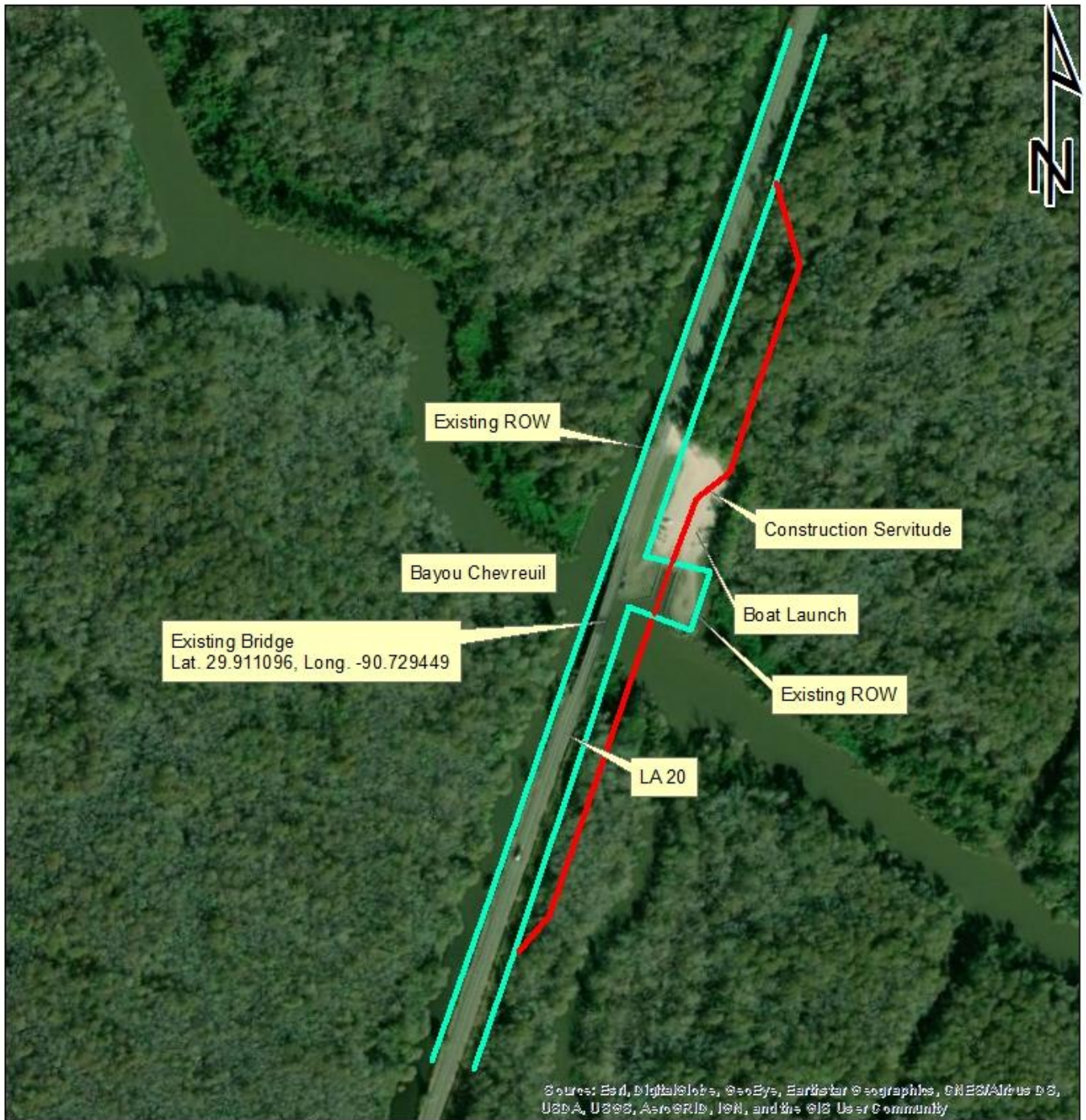
	<h3>LOCATION MAP</h3> <p>Map Reference USGS 24k Lower Vacherie</p>	<p>0 0.2 0.4 Miles</p> 
	<p><b>STATE PROJECT NO. H.013116</b>  <b>FEDERAL PROJECT NO. H013116</b>  <b>WIDENING</b>  <b>LA 20: LA 307 - S. VACHERIE</b>  <b>ST. JAMES AND LAFOURCHE PARISHES</b></p>	 <p>LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION &amp; DEVELOPMENT</p>

Figure 1: Location of Proposed Project.



	<b>LOCATION MAP</b> AERIAL IMAGE	0    0.035    0.07 Miles
	STATE PROJECT NO. H.009481 FEDERAL PROJECT NO. H009481 <b>LA 20 BAYOU CHEVREUIL          BRIDGE REPLACEMENT</b> STR#: 61470650700391/RECALL#: 003000 ST. JAMES PARISH	

Figure 2: Location Map of Bayou Chevreuil Bridge, Boat Launch and Construction Servitude.



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Please provide your comments below regarding the project. When complete, please return this form to **Station 5 – Comment Table**. To mail, fold the form in half with the address showing on the outside and seal. Comments received tonight or post marked by **August 13, 2018** will become part of the transcript of this meeting.

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