PROJECT BRIEF AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (Construction Contract)

Tree removal

Major Upgrade of Highway 132

Forillon National Park – Phase III

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1. BACKGROUND

The Parks Canada Agency (PCA) Gaspé Management Unit wants tree removal work carried out as part of the major upgrade of Highway 132. The work involves felling trees on the new right-of-way of Highway 132 in the Cap-des-Rosiers sector, between the La Chute parking lot and the Northern Sector Road, and between Highway 132 and the boundary of Forillon National Park, near Cap-des-Rosiers. Approximately 14.75 hectares are to be cleared. This estimate includes the right-of-way for a new electricity line and two parking lots shown on the appended plans. The tree removal areas and their dimensions have been marked on the plans by the firm Stantec, which are appended to this document.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

- .1 "Departmental Representative" means the Forillon National Park (PCA) project manager, or his/her authorized representative.
- .2 "Contractor" means the person or company chosen to accomplish the entirety of the work described in this document, in accordance with the standards, estimates and drawings provided for the purpose.

3. CONSTRUCTION BY OTHER CONTRACTORS OR WORKERS

- .1 The Contractor must take into account that the construction work for Phase II of the Highway 132 upgrade is in the process of being carried out by Eurovia Québec Construction Inc. (Eurovia). The site is currently closed and has been vacated for the winter. It extends approximately 2 km, from the Northern Sector Road to Highway 132. The roadway infrastructure, earthworks and surfacing of this new road have been completed. The new bridge, however, has not been completed and is not usable. This road is not open to traffic. For this sector, included in Sections ITD4 and ITD5, the tree removal work will have to be done last.
- .2 PCA reserves the right to assign, in the vicinity of the worksite or even within the tree removal corridor, other contractors or workers, with or without machinery and materials, for example crawler drill operators or surveyors.

4. DESCRIPTION OF WORK

- .1 Identify the tree removal areas and stake out the worksites in accordance with the plans provided by Stantec (7 plans, 158150010-300-ITD-ITD 1-01 to 158150010-300-IT-D-ITD7-01). Files, in dwg format, will be provided to the company that is awarded the contract.
- .2 Over the entire tree removal area, fell the timber to ground or nearly ground level, including standing trees, scrub, bushes, roots, seedlings as well as partially buried logs, and remove the resulting material as well as all debris on the ground. If weather conditions do not permit razing to ground level, the cuts can be no more than 30 cm above ground.



- .3 This work can be done by a tracked multipurpose feller, a tracked feller-buncher, or by manual felling (chain saws).
- .4 Wood of commercial value felled within the corridor is the property of the Contractor, who can sell it.
- .5 The work includes no grubbing (stump grinding or root removal).
- .6 Trees must be felled so as to fall into the tree removal area.
- .7 Tree removal must start in the zones marked on the plans ITD6 and ITD3, in the sequence shown, as a priority in the order shown here. For felling zones included in Sections ITD4 and ITD5, tree removal work will have to be done last.
- .8 Timber skidding must use a tracked vehicle or a vehicle with large flotation tires.
- .9 All tree removal debris must be removed from the park.
- .10 To dispose of tree removal waste, the Contractor may use shredders, provided that:
 - dimensions of fragments (wood chips) are no larger than 100 mm;
 - fragments are spread evenly over the ground to a depth not more than 100 mm covering the natural terrain;
 - no debris litters public or private roads or paths.
- .11 The Contractor must take into account that there are watercourses (streams) in the tree removal area and that it must at no time allow its machinery to wade any watercourse. Temporary bridges will have to be built for the machinery to cross such watercourses. Machinery must never travel within 5 m of a watercourse.
- .12 At the end of every day, the Contractor must clean all its worksites. Once the work is completed, remove from the site all unneeded materials and equipment, including all waste and tools.

5. SPECIAL MITIGATION MEASURES

- .1 Various measures to mitigate the foreseeable impact of the tree removal must be considered over the entire tree removal area.
- .2 The tree removal restriction period is May 15 to April 15.
- .3 The boundaries of the tree removal areas must be identified clearly. Adequate signage must be installed, and maintained in good condition.
- .4 The Contractor must fell trees in such a way as to not damage the forest edge and must prevent trees from falling outside the forest boundary or into a watercourse. As necessary, the Contractor must clean the watercourse and remove any debris from its felling operations outside of the shoreline strip.
- .5 Tree removal work must under no circumstances change the characteristics of the natural drainage basin.



- .6 There are watercourses (streams) in the tree removal area, and riverbeds must at no time be waded by machinery. Temporary bridges will have to be built for the machinery to cross such watercourses.
- .7 Machinery must never travel within 5 m of a watercourse.
- .8 To limit erosion and deterioration of plant cover, a single access track shall be used to reach tree removal areas near erosion-sensitive environments such as banks and steep ground.
- .9 Land clearing should be avoided as much as possible near banks.
- .10 There must be no burning of ligneous debris.
- .11 Trees outside these boundaries must not be damaged. All precautions must be taken to ensure this.
- .12 Felling must not damage trees that have to be preserved, and must as much as possible avoid trees falling outside the boundaries of the tree removal zone (felling must be directional).
- .13 Equipment must be inspected daily and maintained in proper working order so as to detect any leaks and maximize their performance.
- .14 No waste shall be left at the site.
- .15 Oil and fuel must not be handled within 15 m of a watercourse.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCIES

- .1 The Contractor must have in its possession, close to the machinery and equipment being used, spill kits appropriate for the equipment being used to recover any accidental spillage, and be able to handle it.
- .2 All staff working near the site must receive instruction on how to use the equipment in the spill kits.
- .3 All possibility of contamination of wetlands must be eliminated.
- .4 An emergency measures plan, approved by the PCA authorities, must be put in place.
- .5 Should a spill occur, the Contractor must notify the Departmental Representative and proceed to confine, clean, decontaminate and dispose of the spill in accordance with standards and regulations.
- .6 The Contractor is responsible for forest fire prevention. It must strictly observe the instructions, laws and regulations issued by the competent authorities.

7. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND SIGNS

.1 The Contractor must take all necessary measures to ensure that vehicle, pedestrian and other traffic on all public and private roads and tracks is not unduly impeded, disrupted or made hazardous by tree removal operations, materials or equipment.



- Should, for any valid reason, the Contractor have to disrupt road traffic during and/or after the required work, it must first obtain authorization from the Departmental Representative as well as supply and install all appropriate traffic diversion signs. The Contractor must at all times comply with the road traffic signal standards prescribed by the Quebec Department of Transport (see the standard signs in Schedule A).
- Observe and apply the construction safety measures required by the Department of Transport (Roadworks Quebec Road Safety Code Volume V Roadsigns / Ouvrages routiers Tome V Signalisation routière).
- .4 Should the Contractor fail to install and maintain adequate signalling as required by the documents described above, the Owner may close the site at any time. Costs incurred shall be borne by the Contractor.
- .5 The Departmental Representative may order the Contractor to do anything and perform any work that PCA considers reasonable and necessary to ensure that these measures are complied with or to remedy any failure to comply. The Contractor must comply with any such order.

8. PROTECTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROPERTY

- .1 The Contractor must protect park infrastructure and property.
- .2 The Contractor must take all precautions to not damage, alter or modify park infrastructure. It is responsible for repairing any damage caused by its negligence.
- .3 The Contractor must help any person authorized by PCA to inspect its work and site.
- .4 The Departmental Representative may order the Contractor to take any measures and perform any work that the PCA considers reasonable and necessary to ensure compliance with paragraphs 1, 2 or 3, or to rectify a breach of those provisions. The Contractor must comply with any such order.

9. EXISTING UTILITIES

- .1 Before starting work, identify the extent and location of buried utilities in the work zone and notify the Departmental Representative.
- .2 Protect and maintain in service any active utilities channels.

10. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

.1 PCA regards federal legislation governing occupational health and safety as imposing on it certain responsibilities as workplace proprietor and strives to exercise all reasonable diligence in the management of workers' health and safety. To be able to assume these responsibilities, PCA implements a safety policy for all contractors carrying out work at its sites, to ensure that they assume their proper roles and responsibilities under Part II of the Canada Labour Code and the Canada Occupational Health and Safety Regulations.



- .2 The Contractor must comply with all federal and provincial/territorial legislation, as well as with PCA policies and procedures applicable to occupational health and safety.
- .3 The Contractor must ensure that its employees know and understand all emergency procedures in force at the worksite.
- .4 The Contractor must manage its activities in such a way that the health and safety of the public and of the personnel at the site, as well as protection of the environment, always take precedence when considering costs and timelines.
- .5 The Contractor must eliminate the source of hazards to the health, safety and physical integrity of workers and of all other persons within site boundaries. It must adopt, apply and supervise all the precautionary measures of its health and safety program relating to the execution of the work.
- .6 The Contractor must design and maintain the site in a way that protects workers against occupational hazards and ensures the site is safe.
- .7 The Contractor must ensure that the site is identified and marked out, and that a safety perimeter is established and respected. Access must be restricted at all times by an effective method provided by the Contractor.
- .8 The Contractor and its employees must comply with all safety measures relating to felling, hauling, lopping and shredding, particularly the wearing of safety equipment, devices and personal protective clothing.
- .9 The Contractor must eliminate at source all hazards to the health, safety and physical integrity of workers and all other persons within site boundaries.
- .10 Smoking is prohibited in forests at all times.
- .11 All work is subject to directives and inspections by the Park Conservation Service and/or the Quebec forest protection service, SOPFEU.
- .12 The Contractor must complete and sign the form "Attestation et preuve de conformité aux exigences en matière de santé et sécurité au travail (SST) / Certificate and Proof of Complaince with Health and Safety Requirements" before starting work.

11. USE OF SITES BY THE CONTRACTOR

- .1 Worksites will be available from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 pm. Saturdays and Sundays.
- .2 The Contractor must remain within the sectors specified by the Departmental Representative for the execution of work and for storage. Contractor's personnel must not enter or cross, for any reason whatsoever, any other parts or sectors of the park. Contractor's personnel may access the sites only via the designated access points.
- .3 For access, storage and loading purposes, the Contractor may use the Northern Sector Road and Boulevard Des-Rosiers. The Contractor is responsible for clearing its roads of snow.



- .4 Storage of petroleum products must be approved by the Departmental Representative.
- .5 The Contractor must move any stored materials or equipment that interferes with PCA operations or the operations of other contractors and workers referred to in the Section "Construction by Other Contractors or Workers".
- .6 The Contractor must not unduly accumulate materials or equipment in a way that obstructs the sites.
- .7 The Contractor is responsible for supplying and installing adequate signage and signalling at the various tree removal areas along the road.
- .8 During the work period, the Northern Sector of the park will be closed, but the Contractor must take into account that the sector and adjoining sites may remain accessible to visitors.

12. WORK COMPLETION TIMELINE

- .1 Work may start once the contract is awarded.
- .2 The work completion duration is set at six (6) weeks, including site preparation time, and the work must be completed by no later than March 25, 2016.

13. LAWS AND REGULATIONS, PERMITS, DIRECTIVES

- .1 The Contractor must comply with all provincial, municipal and federal regulations, and all other laws and regulations that may apply to this work. It shall be liable for all breaches of the following laws and regulations, to which special attention must be paid:
 - The Canada National Parks Act;
 - The Canadian Environmental Protection Act.
- .2 The Contractor must obtain any permits essential for executing the work.
- .3 The Contractor shall assume (and bear the cost of) all obligations relating to safety measures required by the Quebec Act Respecting Occupational Health and Safety, as well as all costs arising from such obligations.

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Schedule A: MTQ Roadwork signs

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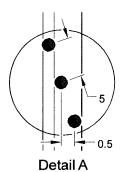


Work area

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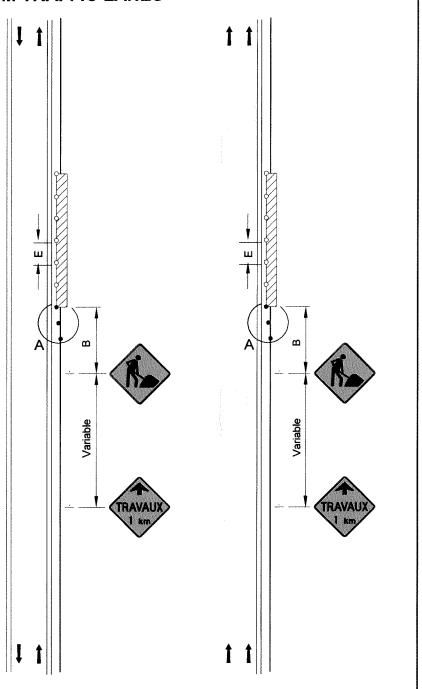
V (km/h)	E (m)	B (m)
60 and under	10	50
70	10	75
80 and 90	15	100
100	20	125

- V: Speed displayed on signs with white background P-70 for value "B". For value "E", "V" corresponds to the speed displayed by signs with orange background T-70.
- E: Spacing of markers
- B: Spacing of signs



Notes:

- the work area must be between 1 m and 3 m of the edge of the traffic lane;
- dimensions are in metres.



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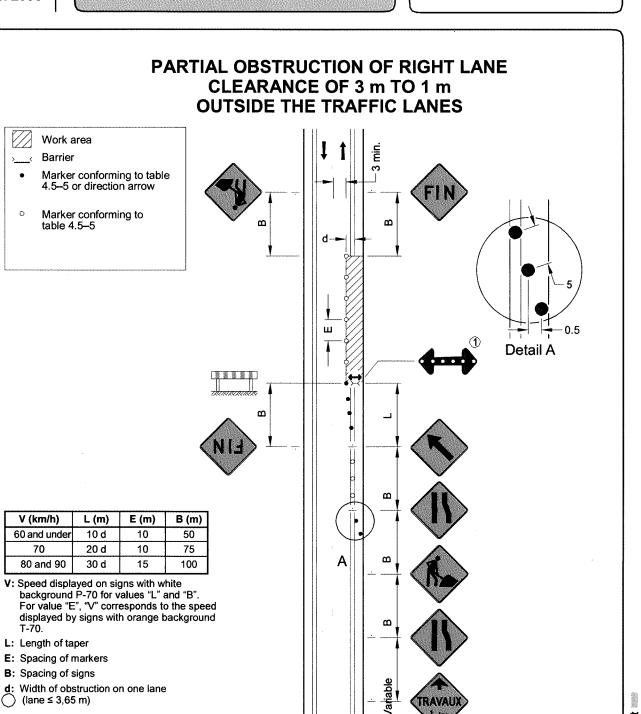
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Notes:

 markers delimiting a taper must be installed at 5 m intervals;

1 Required on roads where V ≥ 70 km/h.

- dimensions are in metres.

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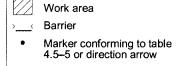
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Detail A

PARTIAL OBSTRUCTION OF RIGHT LANE ENCROACHING ON THE OPPOSITE LANE



 Marker conforming to table 4.5–5

V (km/h)	L (m)	E (m)	B (m)
60 and under	10 d	10	50
70	20 d	10	75
80 and 90	30 d	15	100

V: Speed displayed on signs with white background P-70 for values "L" and "B". For value "E", "V" corresponds to the speed displayed by signs with orange background T-70

- L: Length of taper
- E: Spacing of markers
- **B**: Spacing of signs
- **d:** Width of obstruction on one lane (lane ≤ 3.65 m)

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 where V ≥ 70 km/h.
- When the shoulder is driveable, it can be included in the 6 m calculation.

Notes:

- markers separating opposing lanes can be replaced by temporary markings;
- markers delimiting a taper must be installed at 5 m intervals;
- dimensions are in metres.

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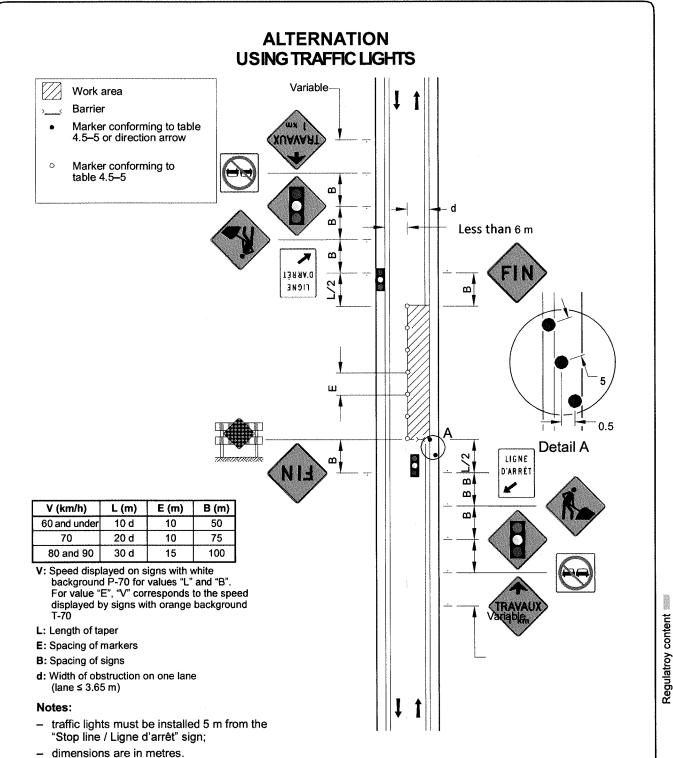
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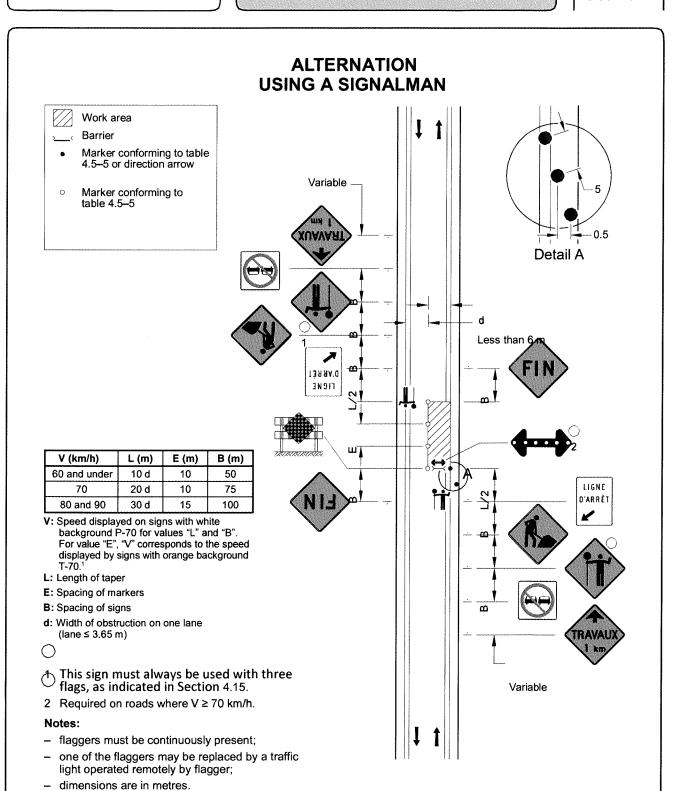
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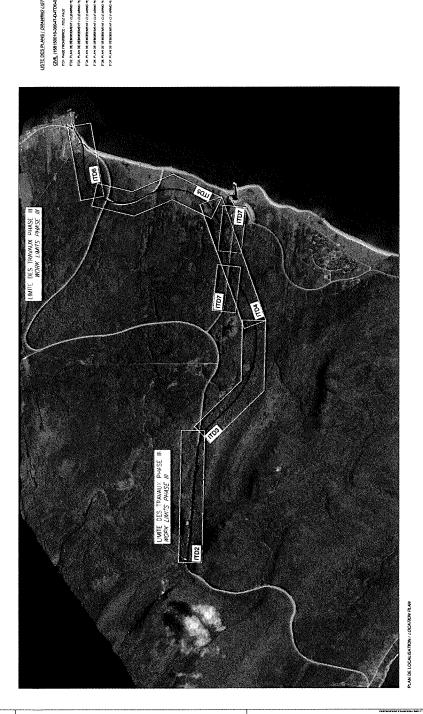
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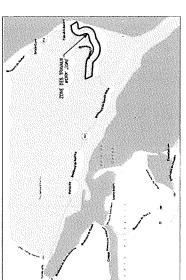
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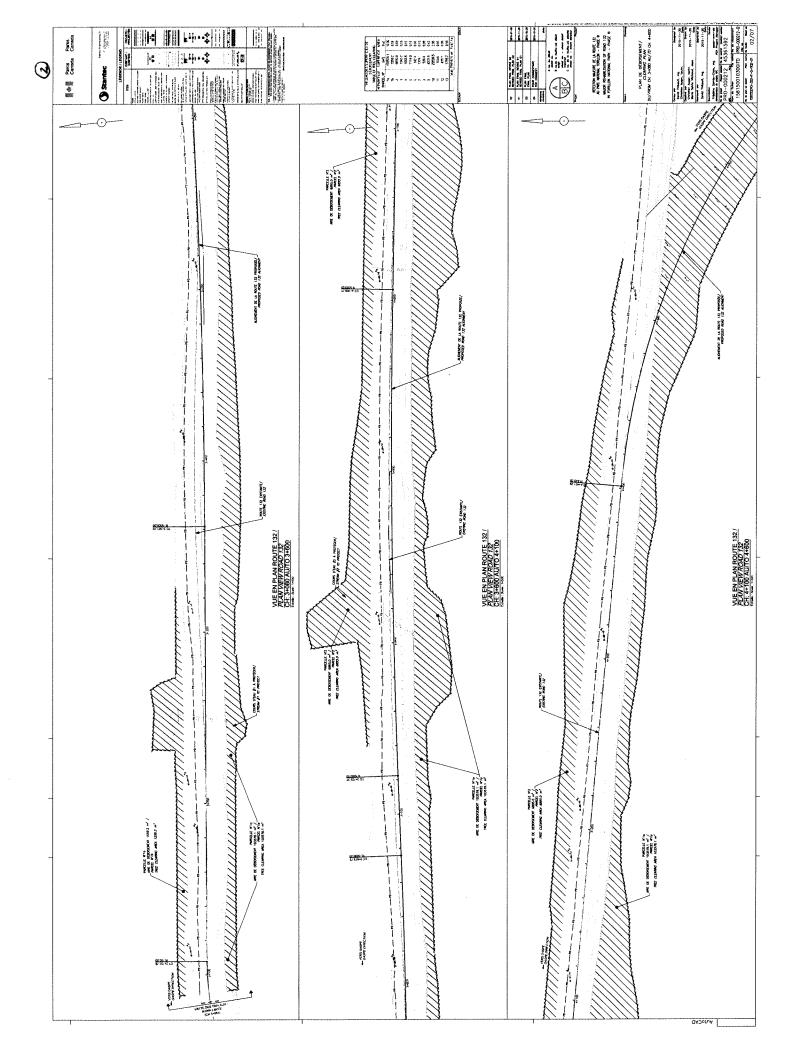
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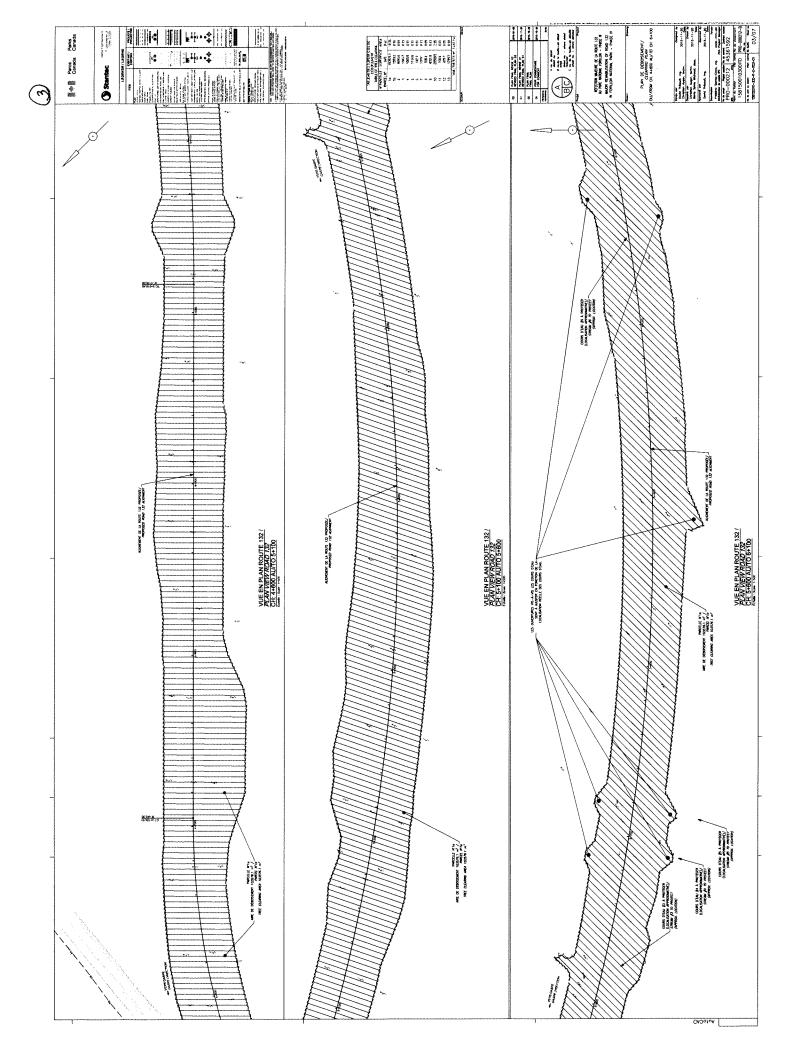
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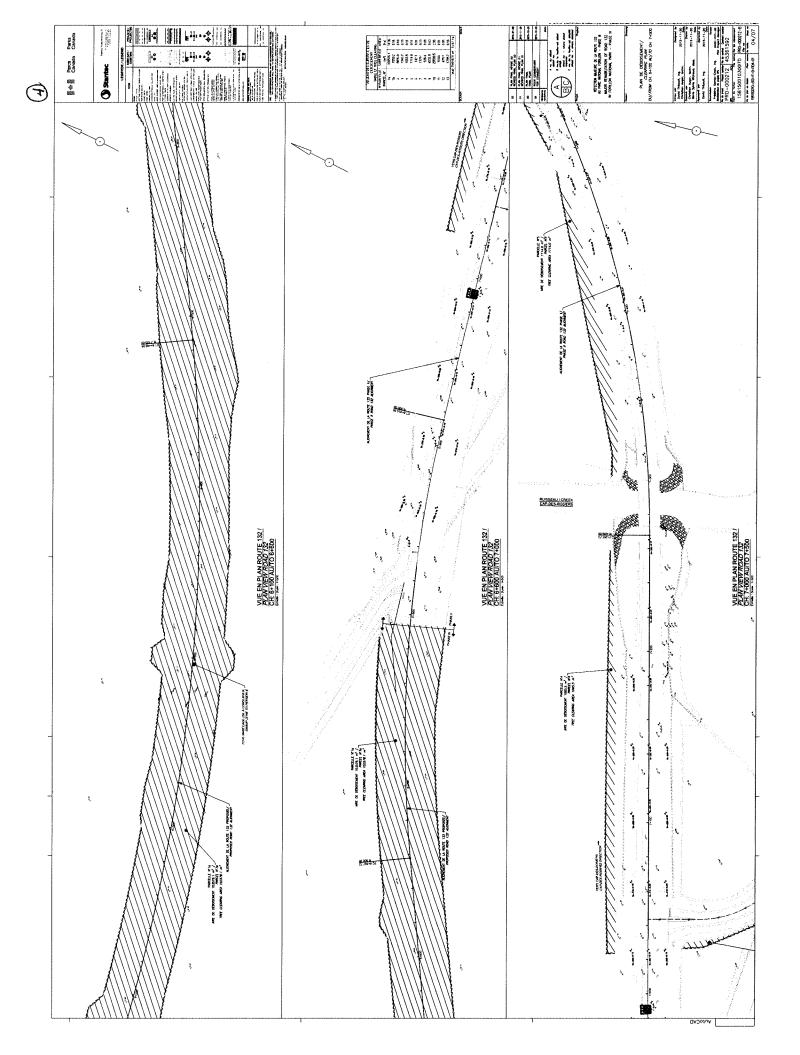


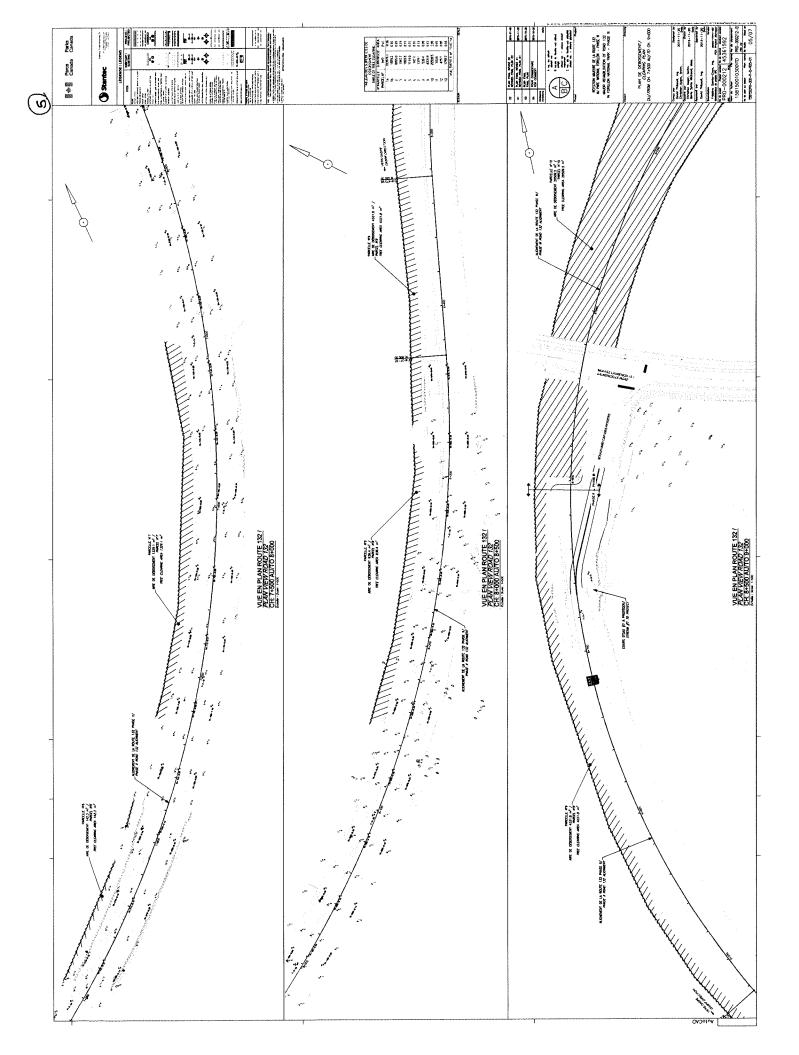
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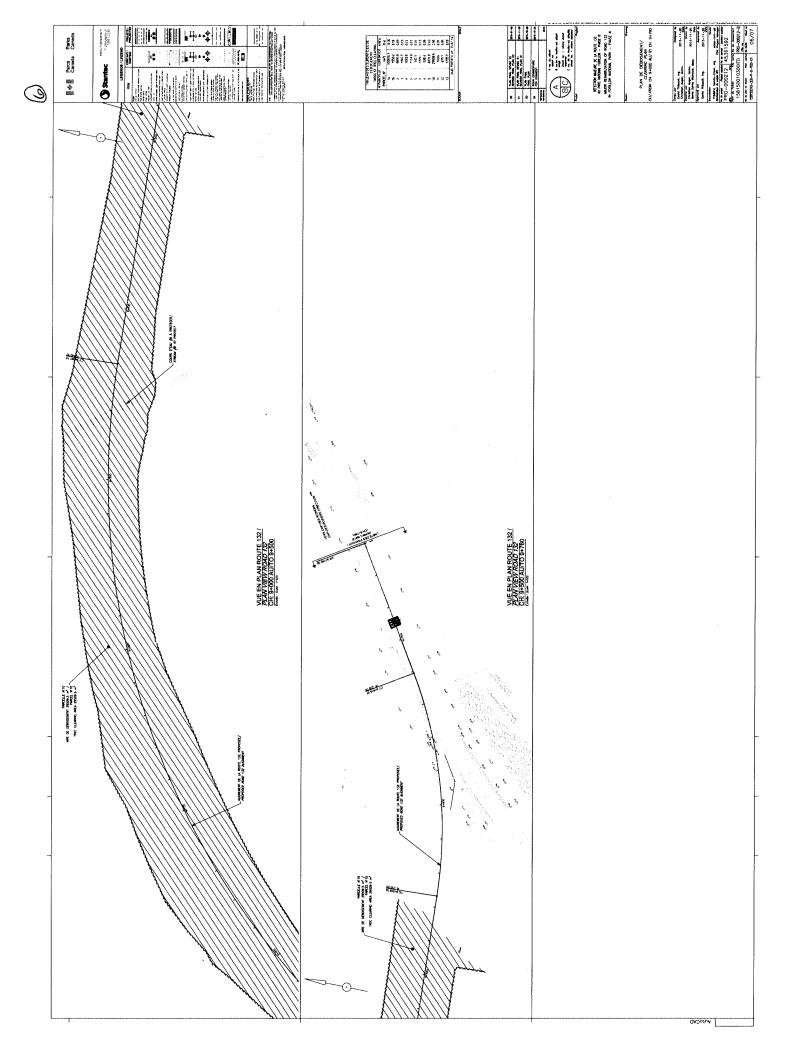


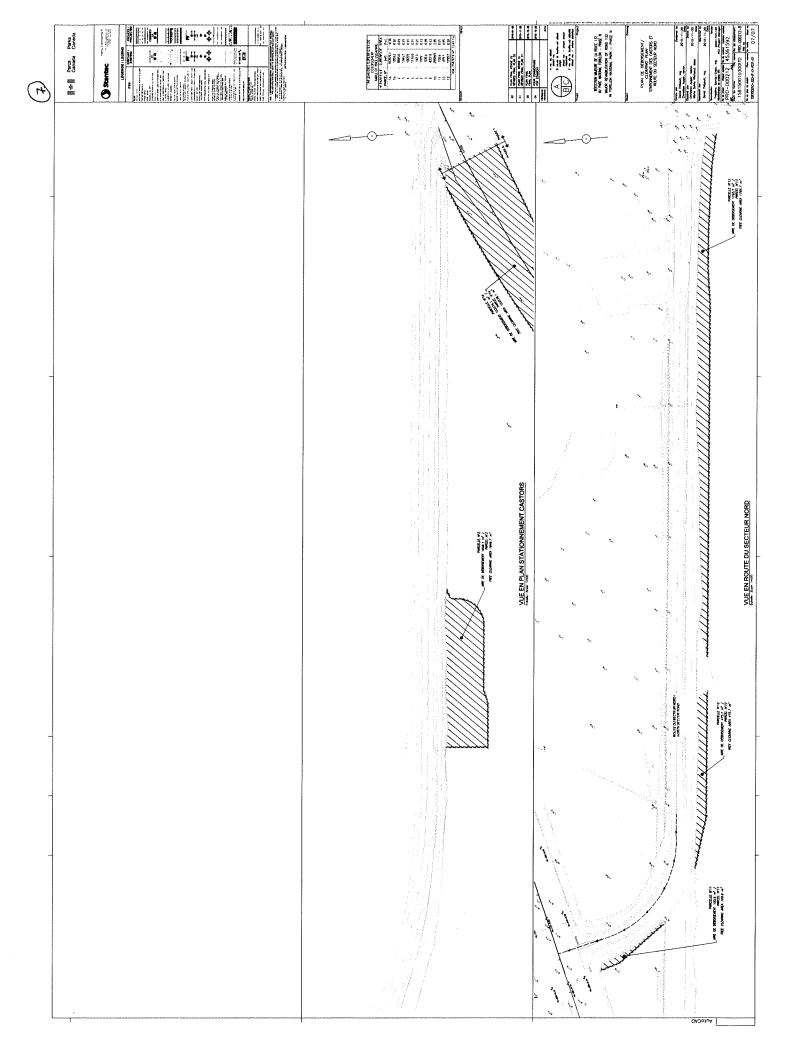


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