Neighborhood Community Informational Meeting

September 4, 2024

Ochsner Health

Update on Ochsner Children's Hospital

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An Improved Home for Ochsner Children's

- Louisiana's #1 ranked children's hospital is getting an **IMPROVED HOME.**
- In our new home, we will be able to **CARE FOR MORE CHILDREN** than we're currently able to accommodate, expanding access to leading treatments.
- It will provide an **IDEAL EXPERIENCE FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES** in an environment designed exclusively for them.
- Our new, state-of-the-art facility will **REFLECT THE CALIBER** of care Ochsner Children's provides as Louisiana's top pediatric program.
- This new facility will allow us to attract and retain **TOP TALENT.**



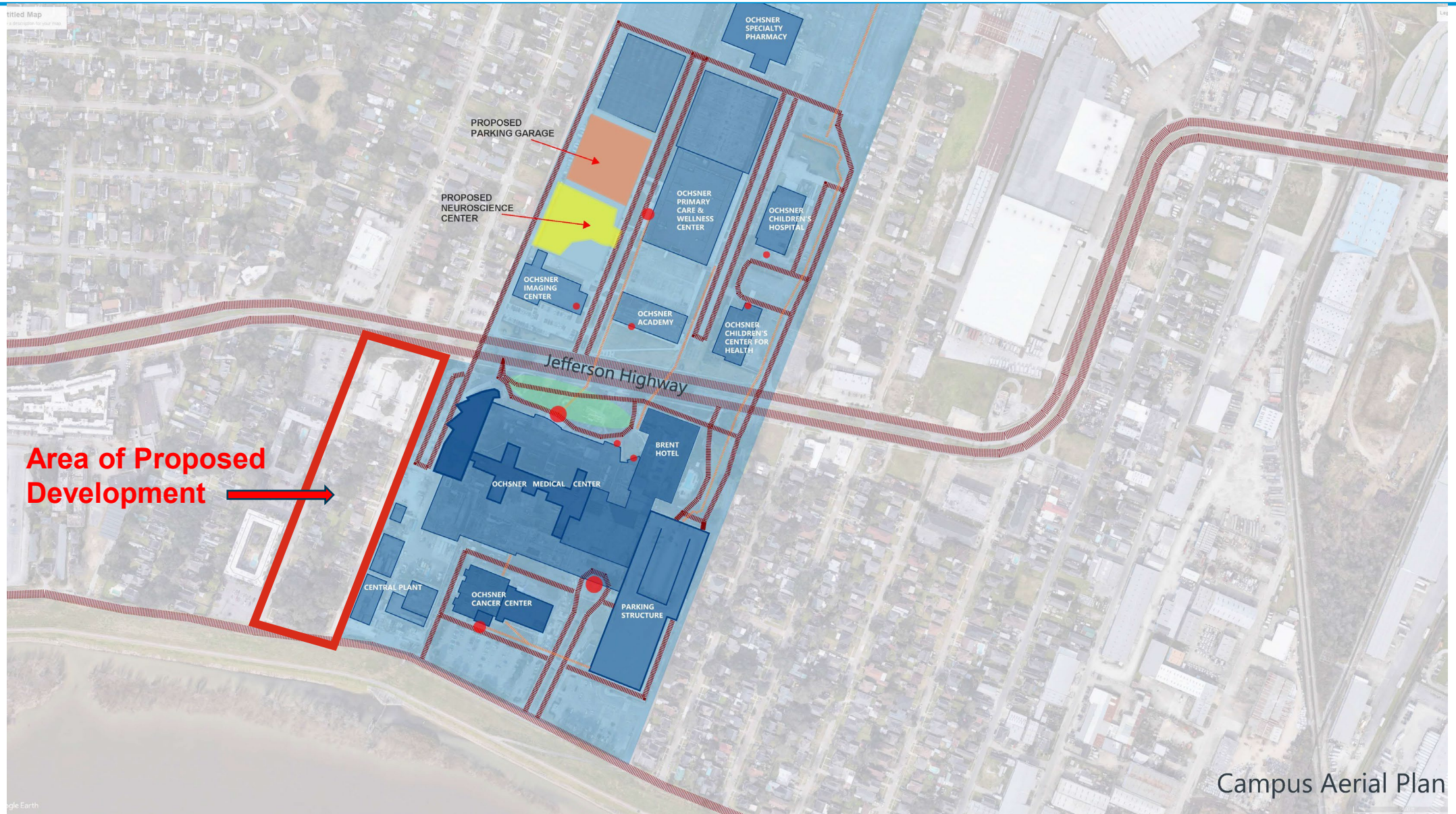





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Campus Aerial Plan



Why this Location

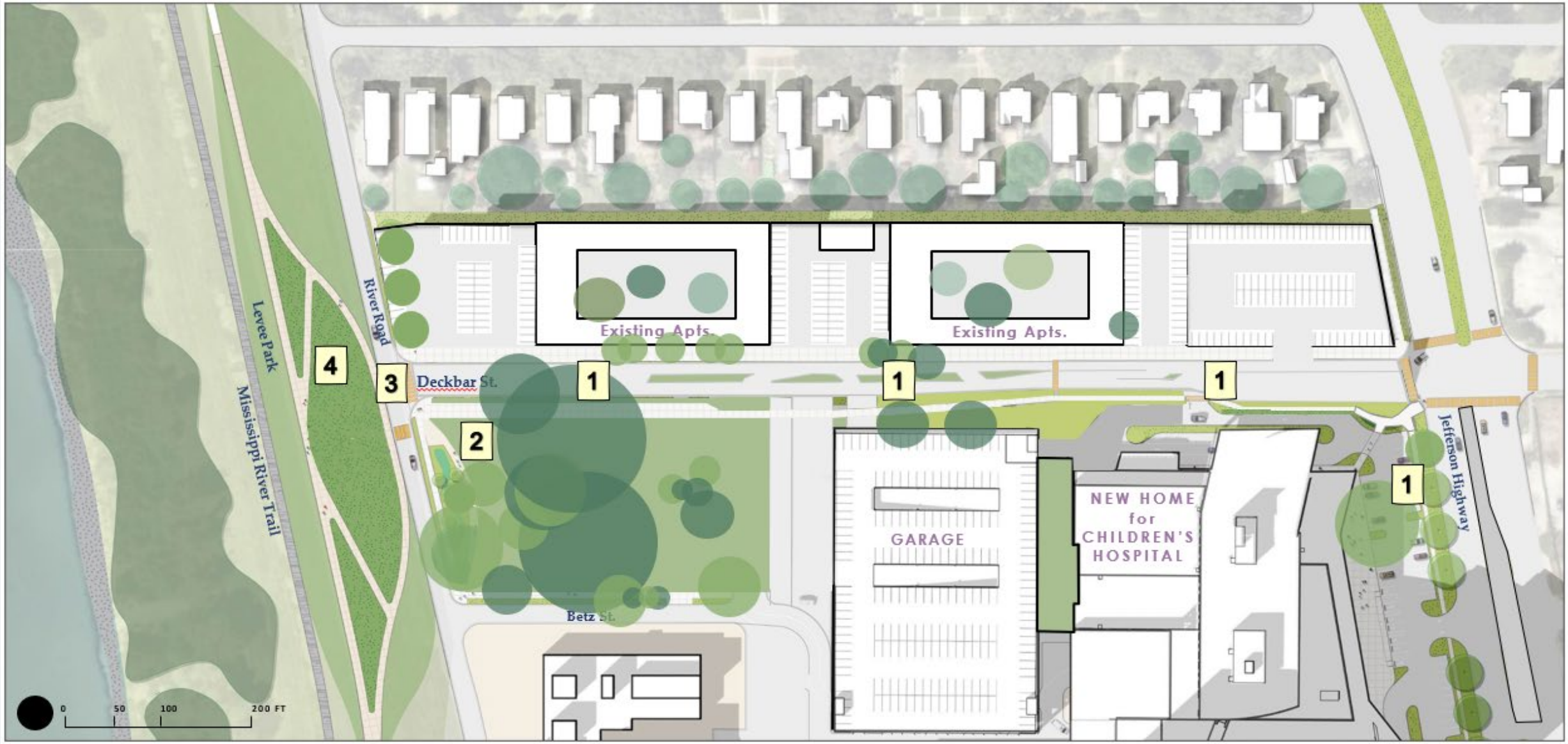
- Ochsner is proposing to build the new home for Ochsner Children's Hospital in this location because this is where our care teams can provide the highest quality of patient care.

- By connecting the new home for Ochsner Children's Hospital to the existing hospital, we can share **essential operational efficiencies**.

- Importantly, in this location Ochsner Children's Hospital will be connected to the **central power plant and well water system**, so that we can continue to provide care during and after a **disaster, like a hurricane**.

Site Plan

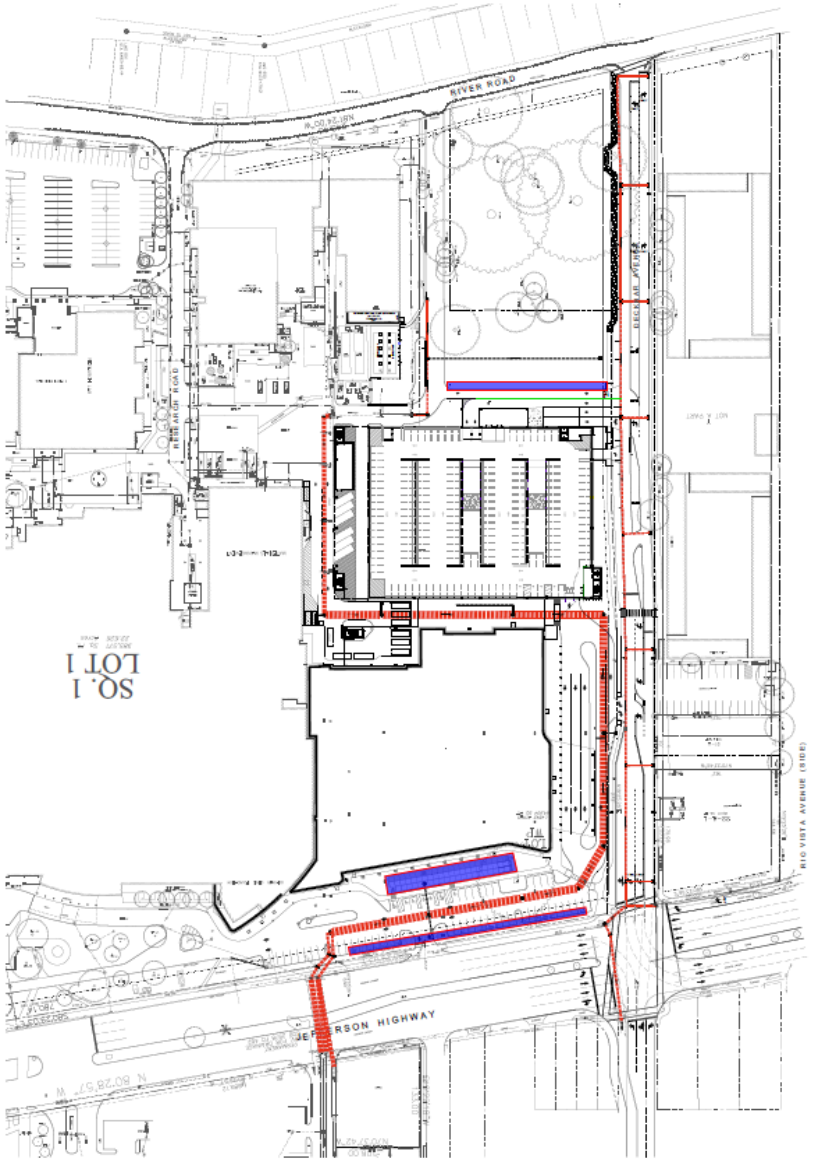
1	Deckbar Widening, Jeff Hwy & Infrastructure Improvements
2	Park
3	River Road Crossing
4	Levee Trail




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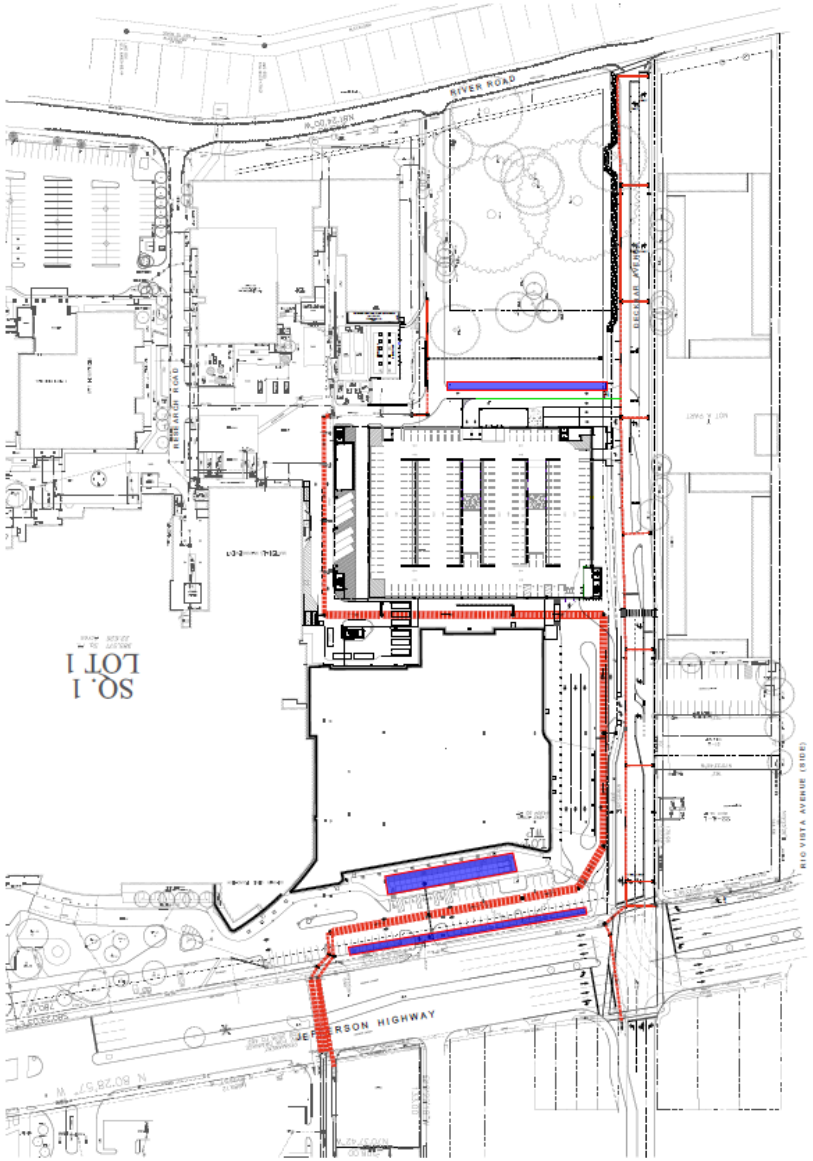


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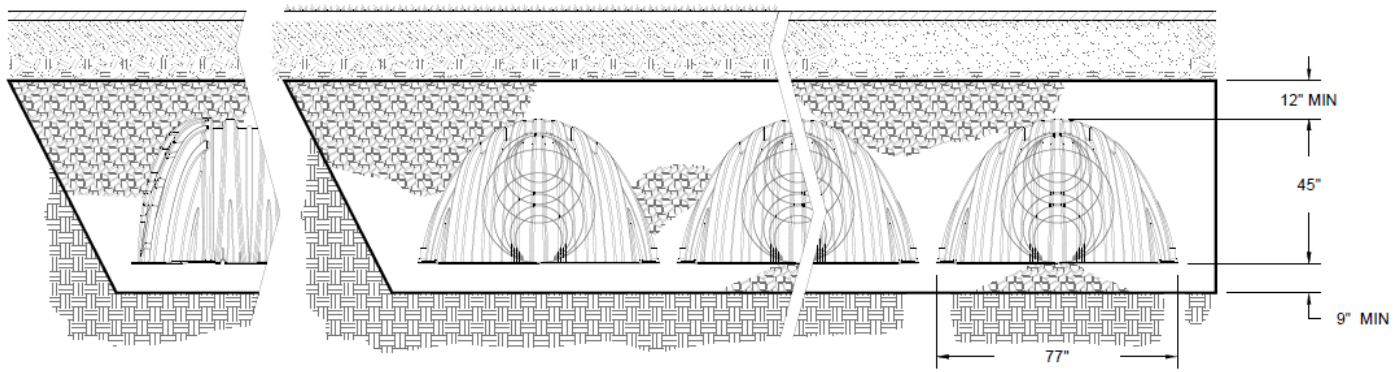


- Existing Ochsner onsite Drainage system & Culverts to be upsized and rerouted around Children's Hospital, w/ added underground Detention Storage to improve drainage conveyance and system drainage capacity.
- The existing drainage system has a subsurface capacity w/in the box culvert system of approx. 76,500 gallons.
- The rerouted Culvert & underground Detention Storage will provide approx. 435,000 gallons of stormwater capacity post construction.
  - An example of this volume of Detention would be roughly 1 foot over the area of a football field.
- (Drainage to Deckbar Outfall to be reduced and more diverted to box culvert within Ochsner property – *Drainage Map Areas (Pre & Post*).
- We have met with Jefferson Parish Engineering Dept. to review the mitigation improvements for the increased Drainage & Detention and awaiting their review comments.

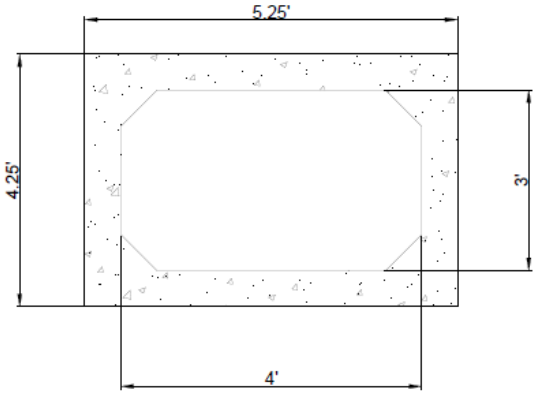
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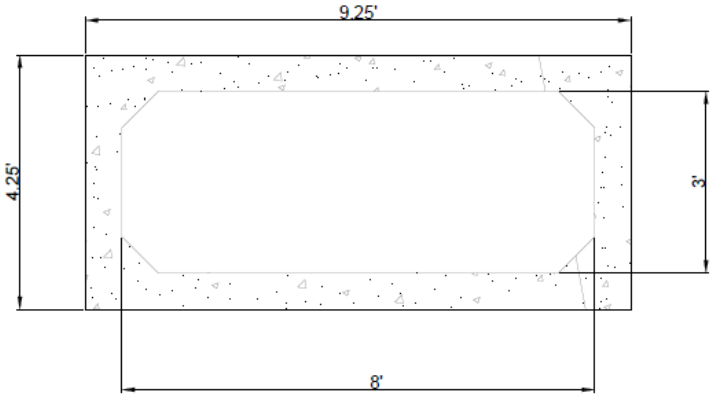


- Detention System Cross Sections

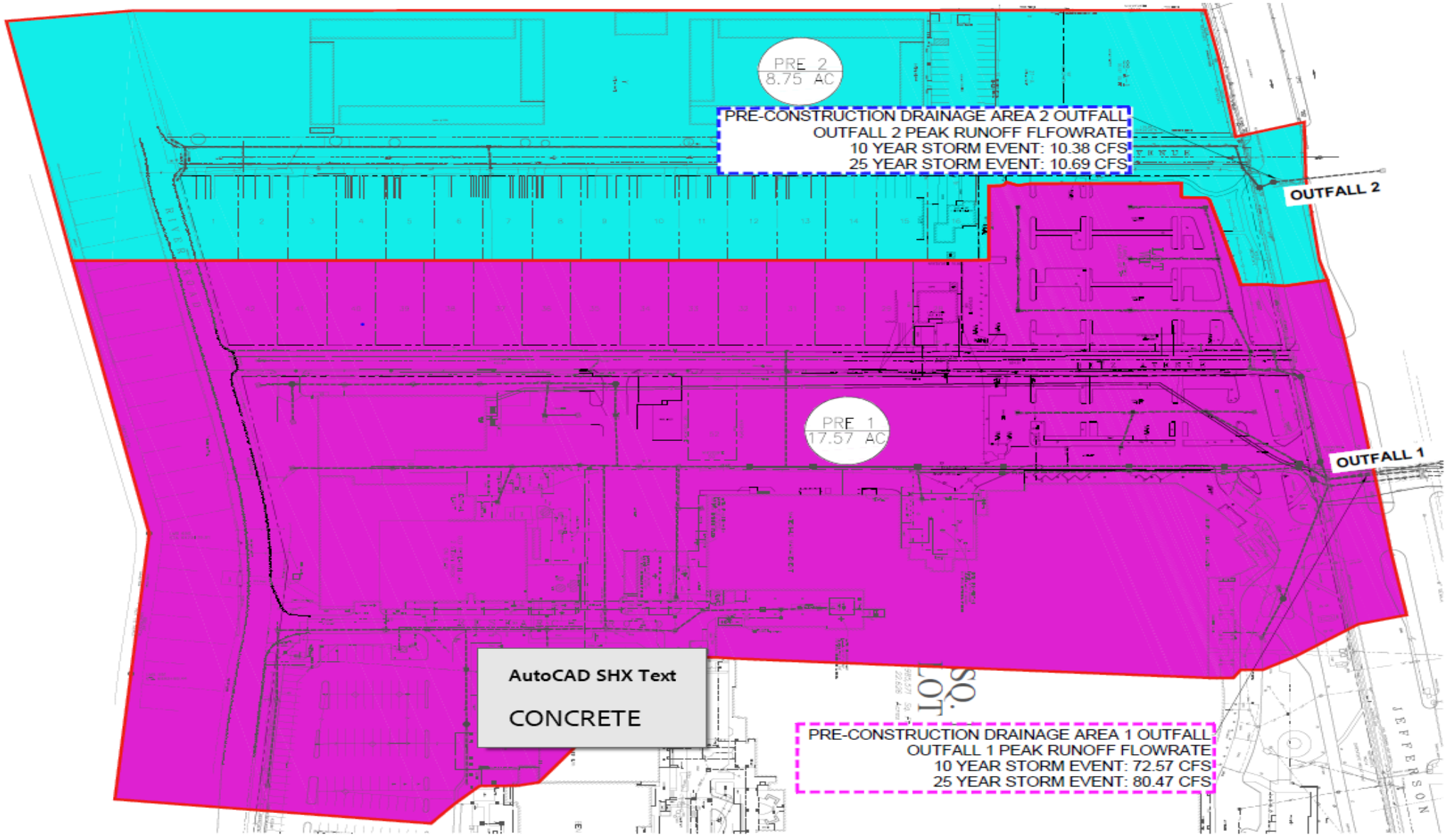


- Culverts Cross Sections

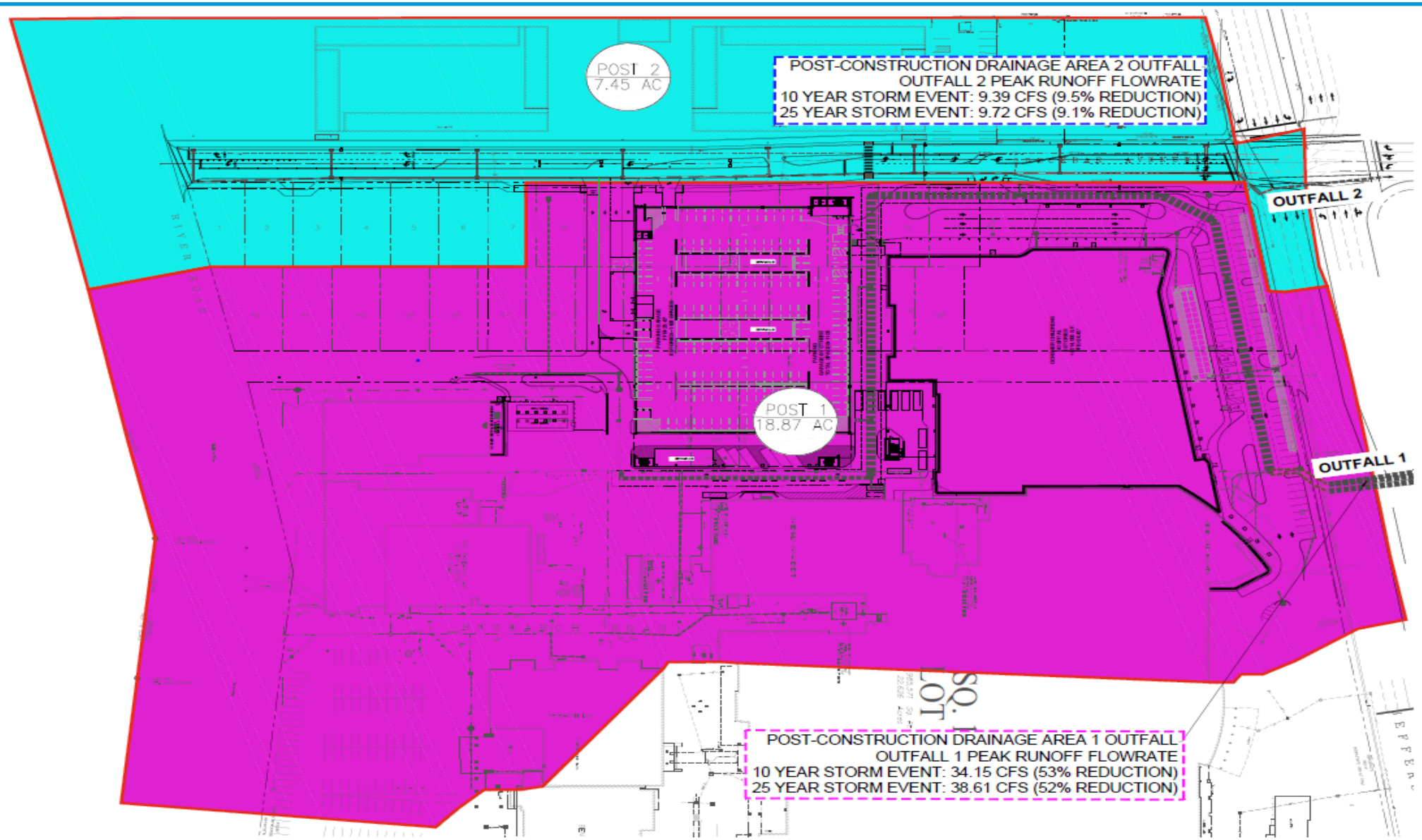


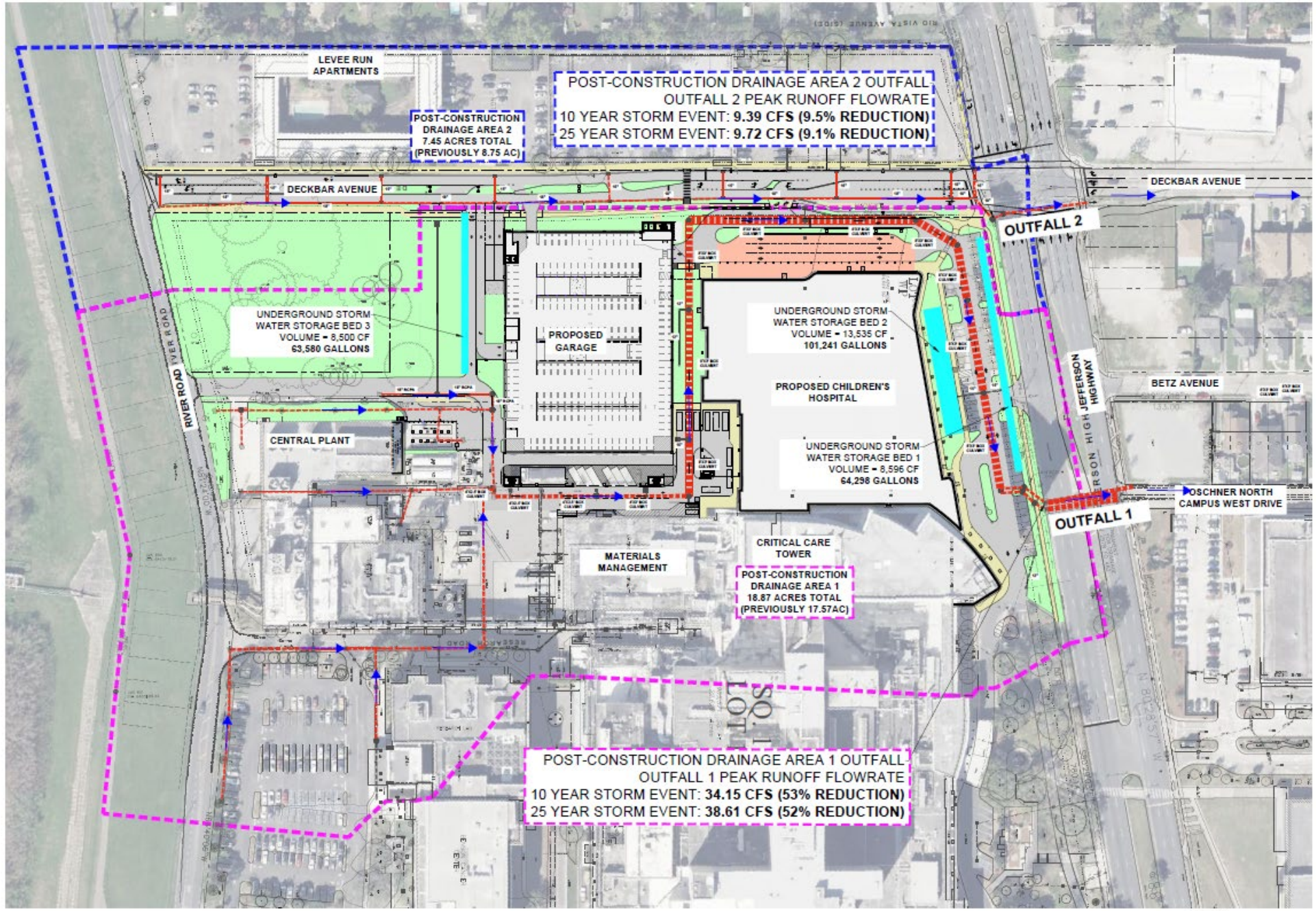


Drainage Map (Pre)

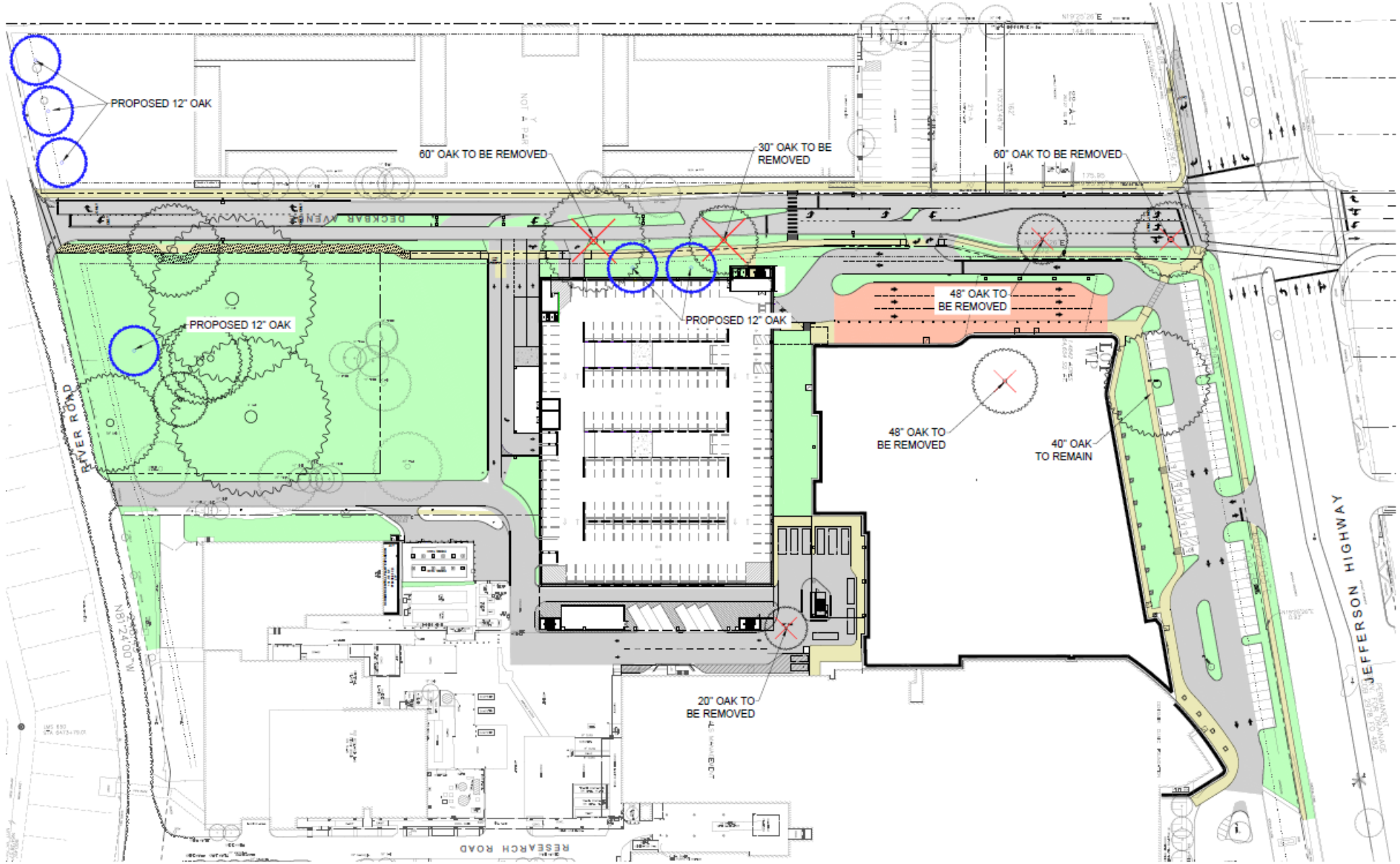


Drainage Map (Post)





PROPOSED DRAINAGE EXHIBIT



LEGEND - NEW IMPROVEMENTS

SIDEWALK		GRASS/LANDSCAPE AREA REFER TO LANDSCAPE PLANS FOR DETAILS	
PAVEMENT		DECORATIVE PAVEMENT	

PROPOSED LANDSCAPE EXHIBIT



Trees

- Professional Arborists were utilized to determine viability of existing tree relocations and provide recommendations / plan for adding new trees & treatment plan for maintaining existing trees.
- 14 existing Oak trees on Site: 8 to be preserved in current locations, including largest Oak tree referred to as Big Betz; 6 to be removed and replaced with 6 larger 12” diameter Oak trees (container grown).
- The 6 existing trees to be removed were deemed not good candidates for transplanting and survivability for several reasons:
  - Pruning that disrupted natural growth pattern, leading to unstable growth and unbalanced canopies.
  - Abnormal root structures due to confinement by existing roadways, sidewalks, driveways, buildings, and other infrastructure.
  - Surface roots are damaged and in poor heath.
- New replacement Oak trees initial size to be 12” dia. with approx. 20’ – 24’ height and approx. 20’ canopy spread. Typical required replacement trees are 3” diameter.

Before:



Improved Development with Landscaping

After: Ochsner Early Learning Center



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Before:



After: Ochsner Imagining Center



Before:

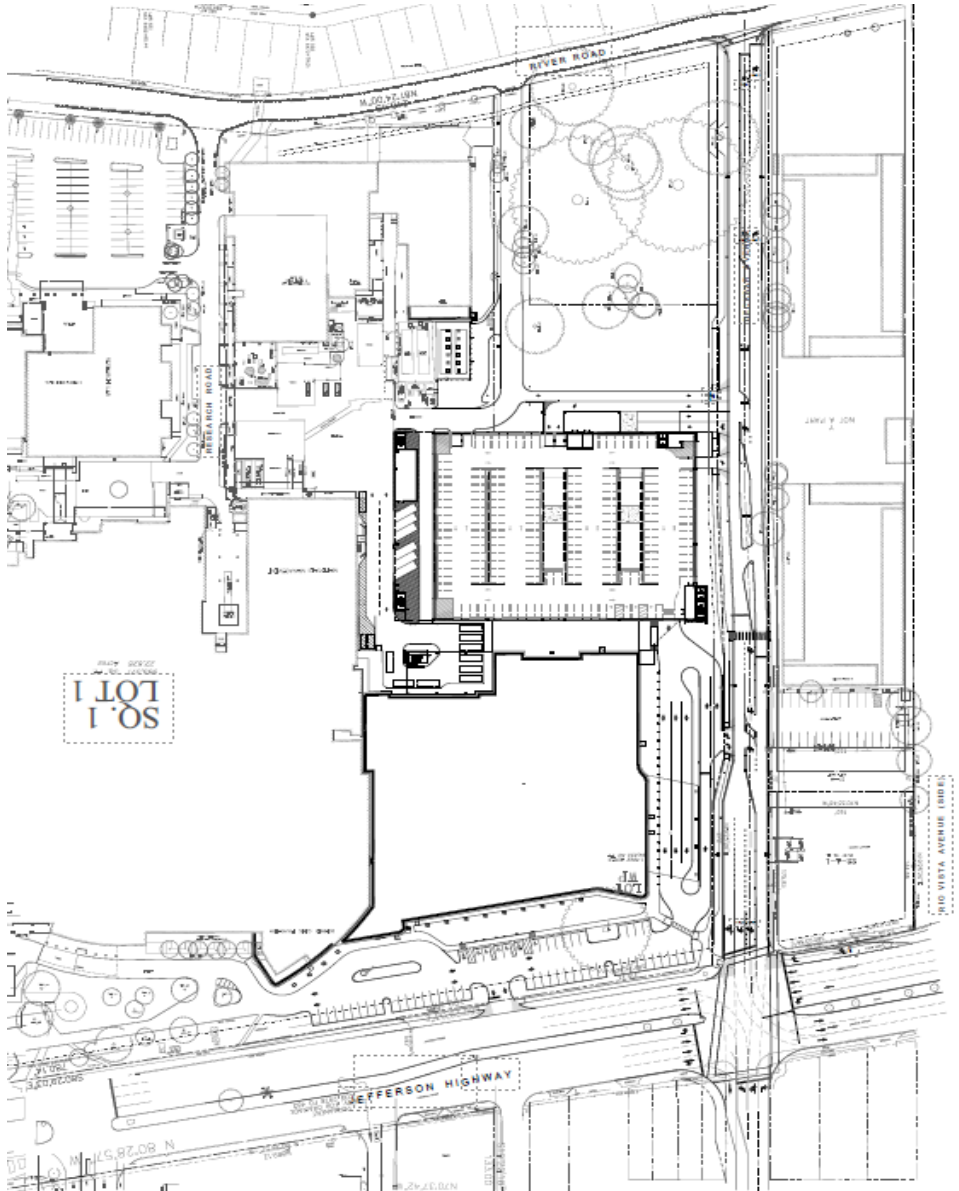


Improved Development with Landscaping

After: Ochsner West Campus

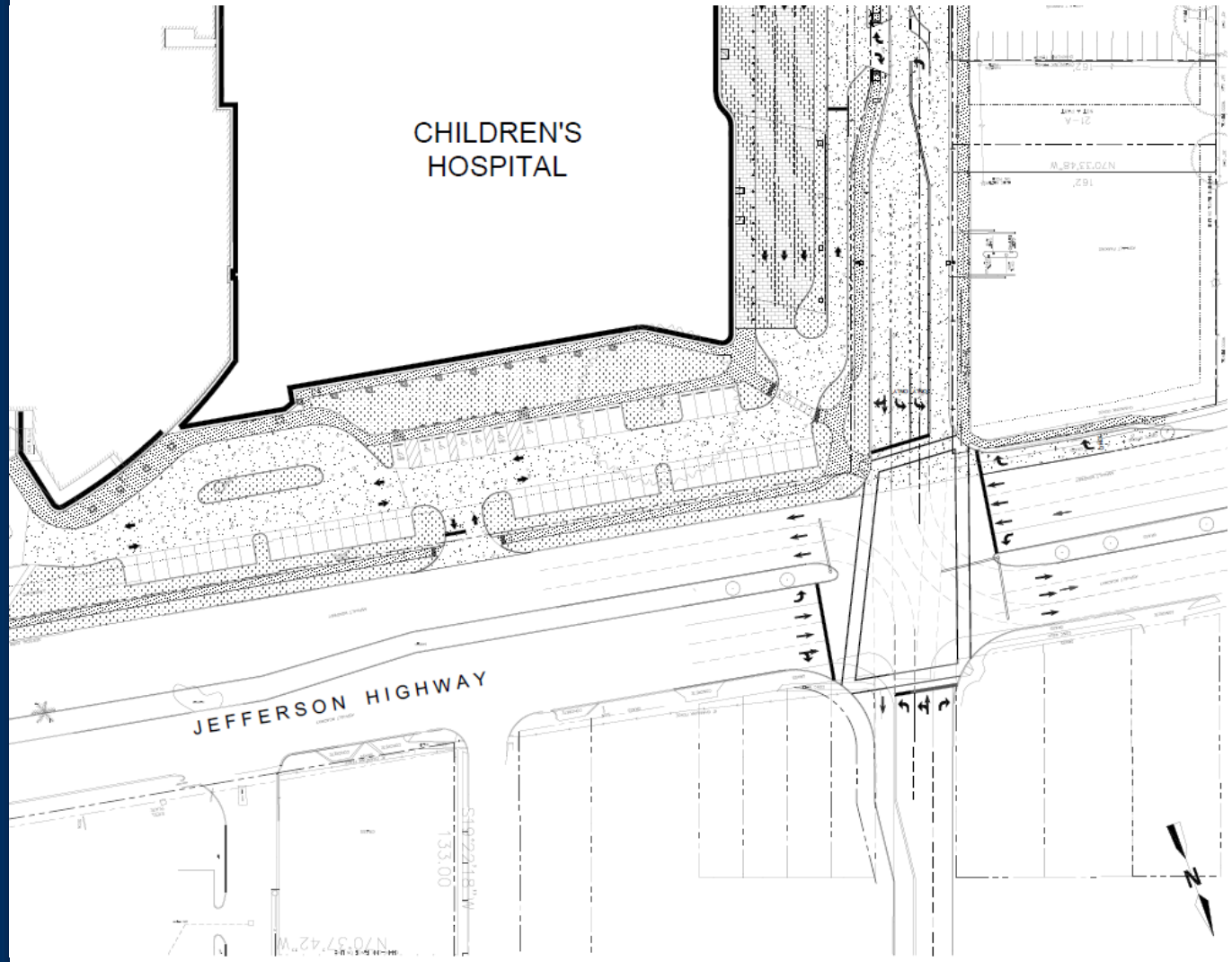


Traffic



- Since the last meeting, the required detailed Traffic Study & TIA were reviewed and required mitigation plans approved by LA DOTD.
- Widening of Deckbar Ave., Lane Additions (3) & Traffic Signal modifications at Jeff. Hwy. & River Road are planned to provide increased capacity and improved safety.
  - The design minimizes the impact on commuting traffic on state routes of Jefferson Highway and River Road.
- Jeff. Hwy. median modifications to be implemented to improve storage, efficiency and safety at intersection of Jeff. Hwy. & Deckbar Ave.

Traffic



- Intersection Capacity Analysis was performed to assess operational conditions in the base and projected AM and PM peaks.
- Additional analysis was conducted with multiple lane configurations, phasings & timings for the intersection of Jeff. Hwy. and Deckbar Ave. for comparison to select the optimum design and corresponding storage needs.
- Conditions analysis results require the following mitigation measures:
  - Widening of Deckbar Avenue.
  - 3 added turn lanes at JH & Deckbar.
  - Modified signal timing (split phasing) with re-allocation of “green” times.
  - Jeff Hwy median modifications for improved traffic “storage” lanes.
  - Added signalization at River Road.

Next Steps in Approval Process

- Planning Advisory Board (September 19, 2024)
- Jefferson Parish Council Meeting (October 16, 2024)
- Ochsner will seek approval for re-zoning, re-subdivision of properties and a revocation of a portion of Betz Street in the area is marked by a red box on the map.



For More Information, Questions or Concerns

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- **Email: community@ochsner.org**
- **Or Call: 504-842-3677**
- **Cards are at the Sign-In Table**