

# **Presentation**

**State Project No. 135-301**

**Reconstruction of Atlantic Street and  
Replacement of Metro-North Railroad  
Bridge No. 08012R**

**City of Stamford**



# Design Team

- **ConnDOT**

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- Robert Brown- Project Manager
- Michelle Lynch- Project Engineer (Bridge)
- Brett Stark (BL Companies)- Project Engineer

- **URS Corporation**

- Donald Costello- Project Manager
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## **History**

- **Two phase feasibility study completed in 2011.**
- **Included replacing 5 MetroNorth bridges in Stamford- over Greenwich Avenue, Atlantic Street, Canal Street, Elm Street, and East Main Street.**







## Bridge Locations

Project included 5 locations: MetroNorth Railroad over Greenwich Avenue, Atlantic Street, Canal Street, Elm Street, and East Main Street.



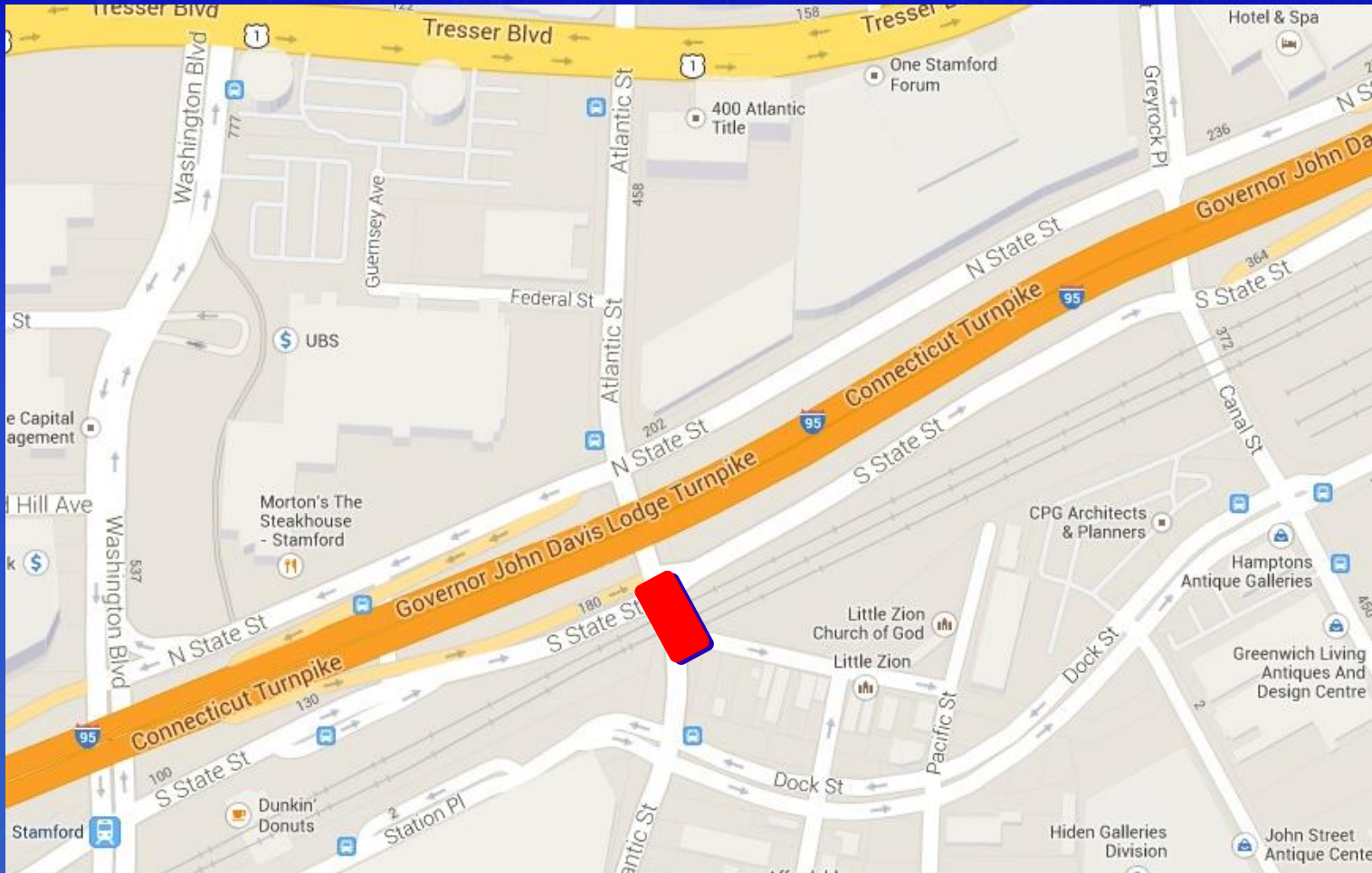


## History continued

- **Bridges built in 1896.**
- **Inadequate width for current traffic volumes**
- **Inadequate vertical clearance**
- **Marginal to poor condition, considered “structurally deficient”.**

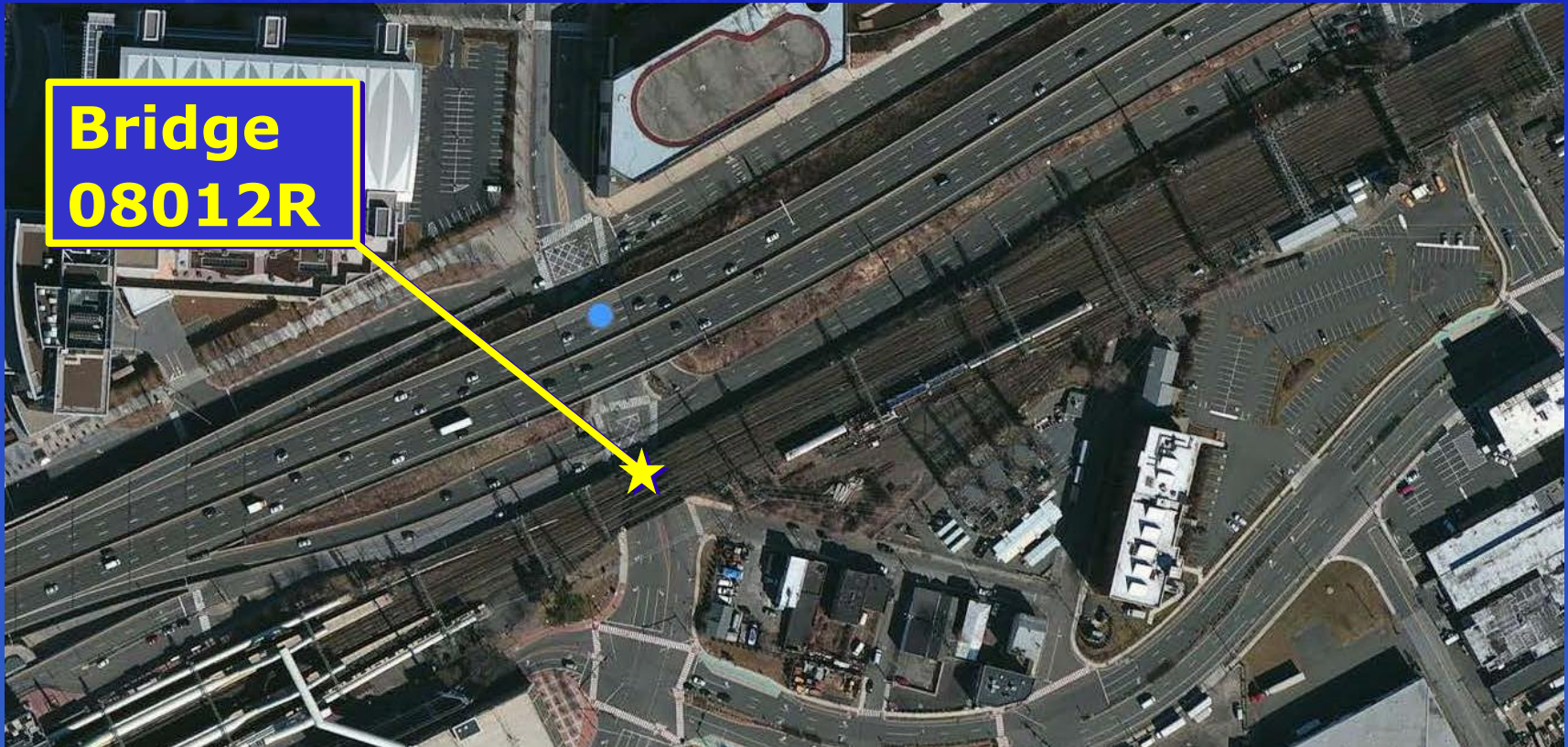


# Project Location





# Aerial View of Bridge No. 08012R



# Existing Atlantic Street Bridge Looking North



- **Lane Arrangement:**
  - 5 Lanes North of the Bridge
  - 5 Lanes South of the Bridge
  - 2 Lanes at the Bridge



# Existing Bridge Underpass

- **Vertical Clearance Restriction**
  - **Posted:** 12' - 4"
  - **Measured:** 12'-7"
  - **Legal Truck height :** 13'-6"



# Project Goals

- **Improve highway capacity**
- **Improve vertical underclearance**
- **Complete construction using accelerated methods (2-1/2 years)**
- **Minimize disturbance to traveling public**
- **Incorporate “context sensitive” design features**





# Constraints

- **Fixed profile for railroad**
- **High water table**
- **Utilities- electric, telephone, water, and gas**
- **I-95 exit ramp**



# Utilities

## Utilities at the bridge site consist of:

- **Water** - in Atlantic St., So. State St. & Manhattan St. roadways
- **Telecommunications** - in Atlantic St. & Manhattan St. roadways
- **Electric Distribution** - in Atlantic St, So. State St. and Manhattan St. roadways
- **Electric Transmission** - overhead along south fascia of the bridge
- **Gas** - in Atlantic St. & Manhattan St. roadways
- **Sanitary Sewer** - in So. State Street roadway

**CTDOT is currently coordinating with the appropriate utility owners.**



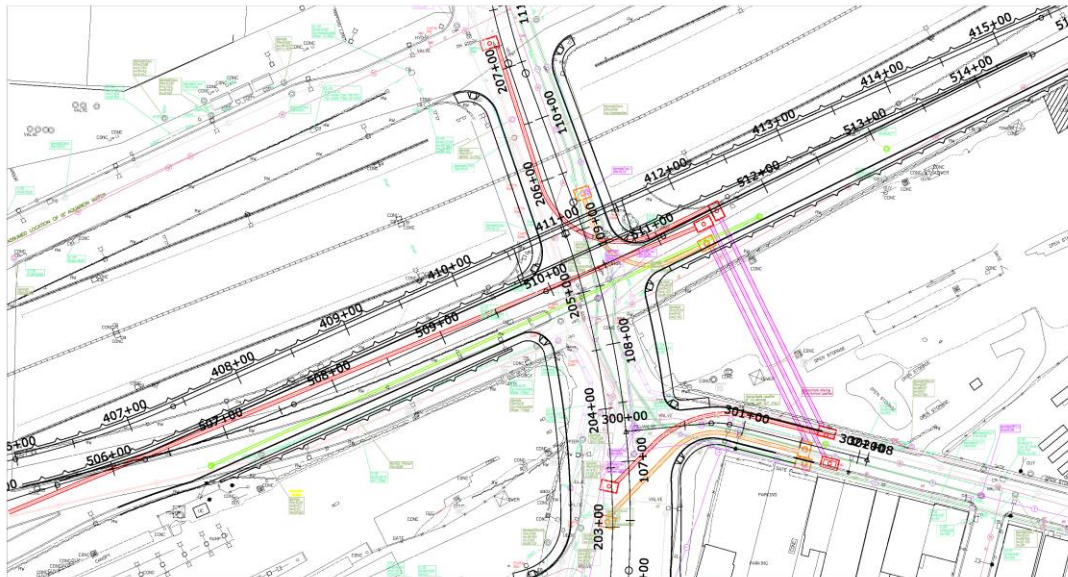


# **Advanced Utility Relocation**

- **Utility corridor jacked under railroad embankment**
- **Added by change order to project currently under construction**
- **AT&T, CL&P will relocate prior to start of construction**



# Utility Relocation





## **Accelerated Construction**

- **With conventional construction methods and single track outages, duration would be 4½ years, unacceptable to the city.**
- **Three day workshop was held in 2012 to investigate accelerating the design, procurement, and construction of the bridge replacements.**

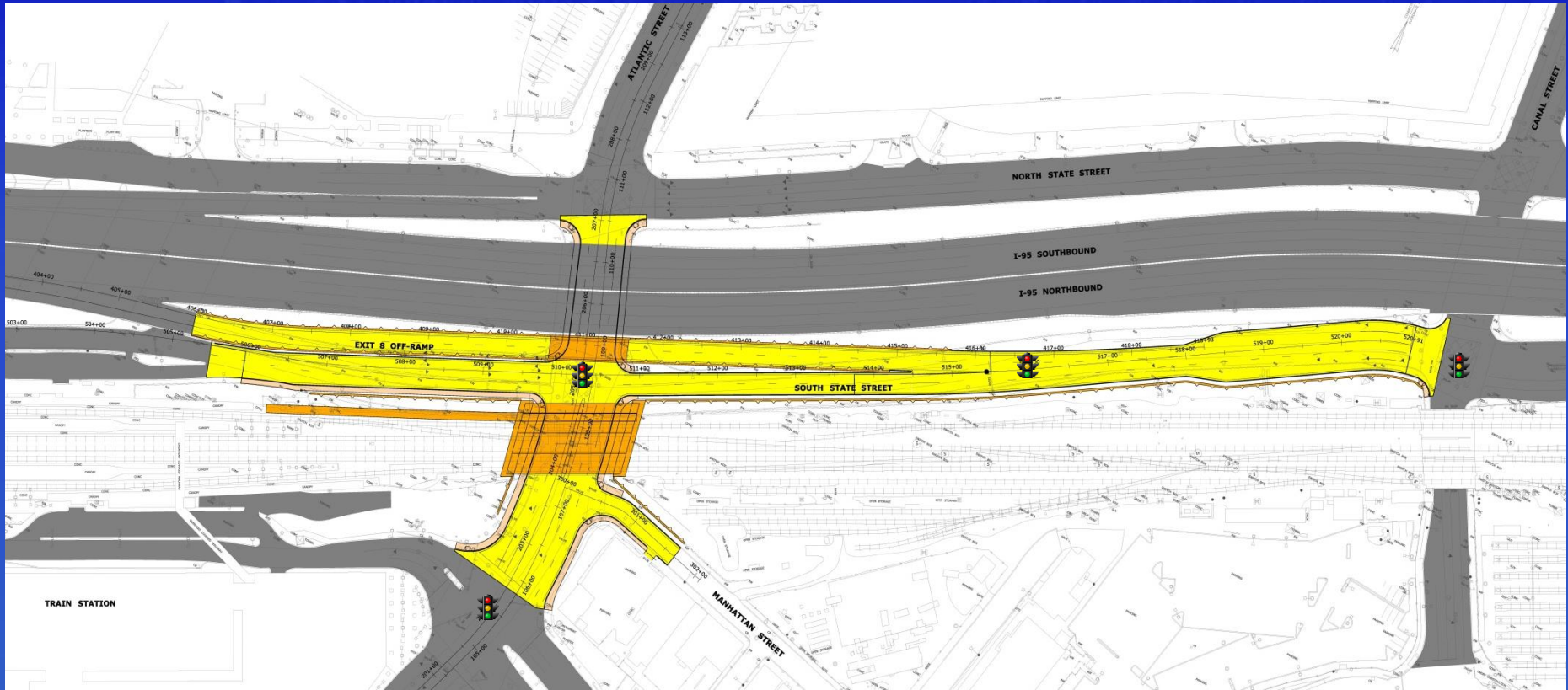


## **ABC Recommendations**

- **Construct substructures prior to track outages using jump spans.**
- **Use SPMT's or lateral slide techniques to replace superstructure using weekend track closures**
- **Use prefabricated elements wherever possible**



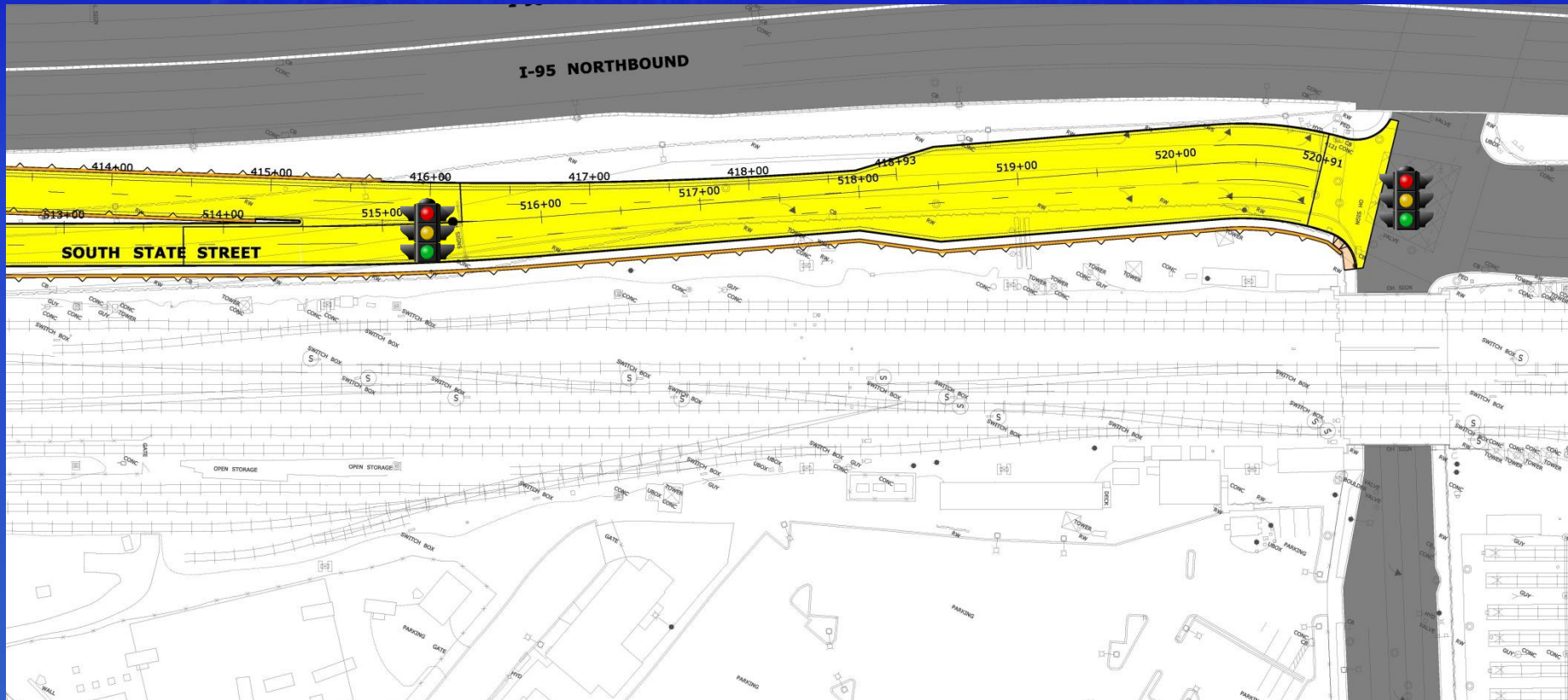
# Roadway Plan







# Roadway Plan South State St. @ Canal St.





# Existing South State Street Looking East



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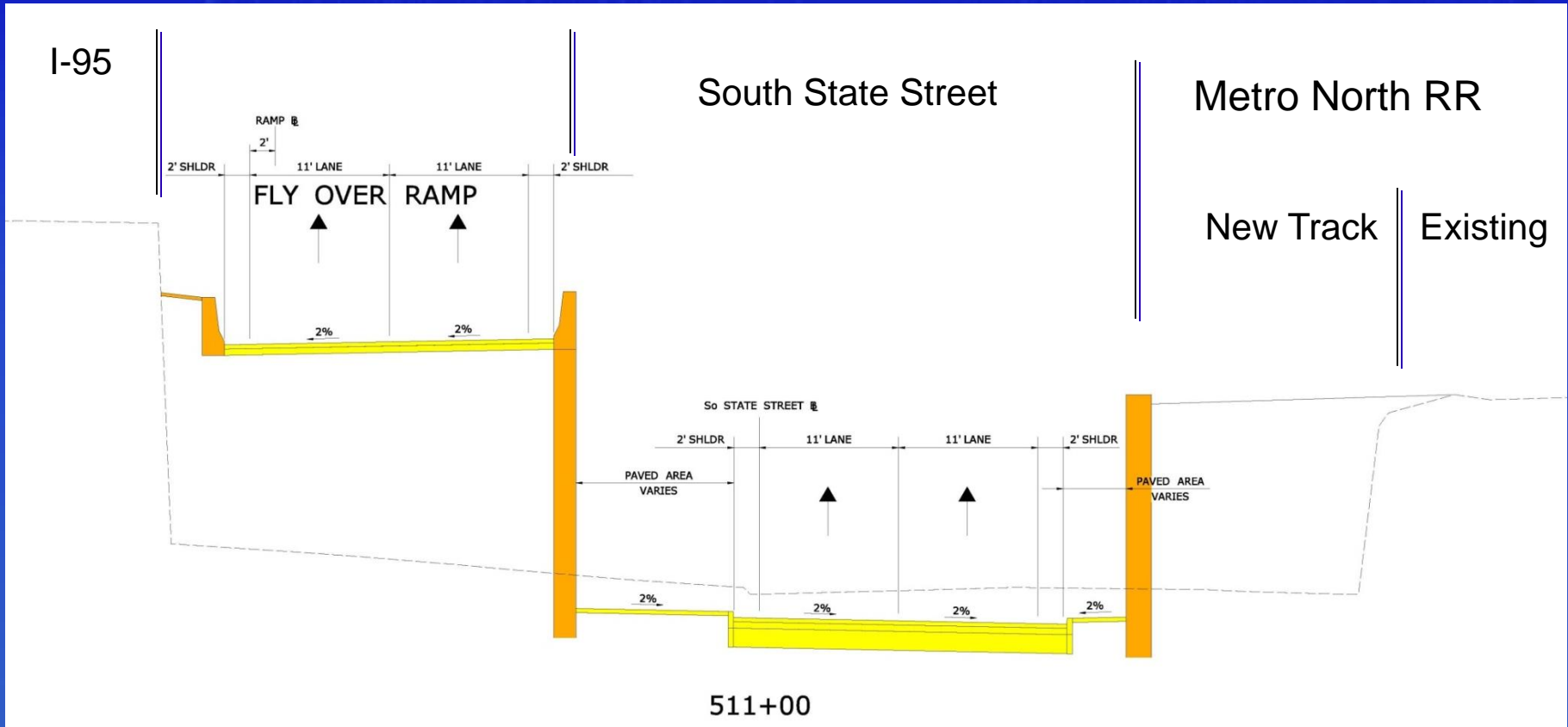
# Existing I-95 NB Exit 8 Ramp Looking West



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# Roadway Construction Issues



# Context Sensitive Design

- **Use of Form Liner on Proposed Structures**
- **City of Stamford Brownstone Policy**





# Existing Railroad Bridge



# Proposed Railroad Bridge



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# Existing Walls – South State St.





# Proposed Walls – South State St.

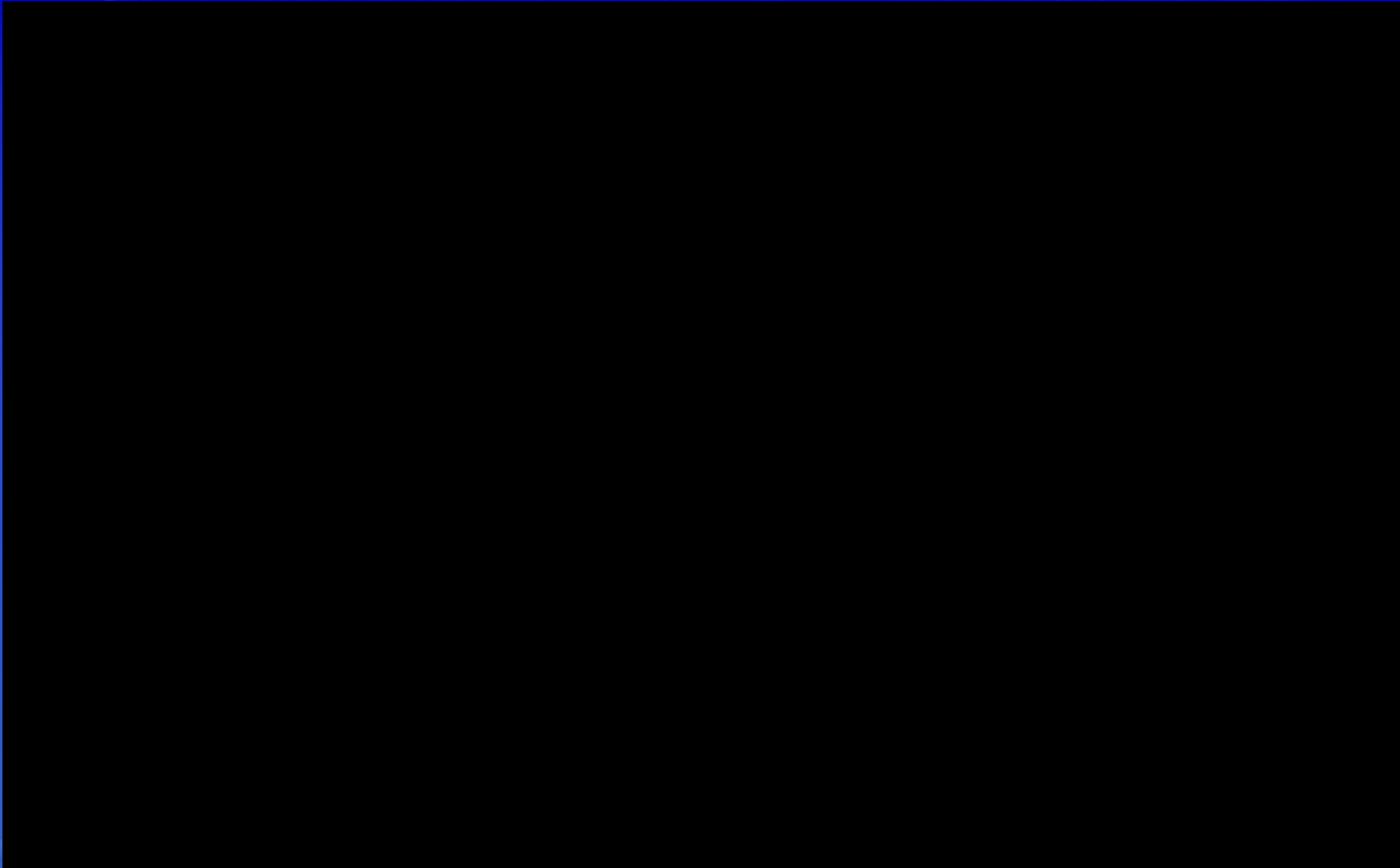


# **Animated Construction Simulation**

## **Features:**

- **Rail “jumps span” method to allow construction of new bridge abutments under active railroad train traffic.**
- **Self-Propelled Module Transporters to lift and transport prefabricated bridge spans into final place on newly constructed bridge pier and abutments.**







# THANK YOU...

## Any Questions?

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