

Umatilla County Public Works
NW Livestock Road Legalization Report
February 19, 2020

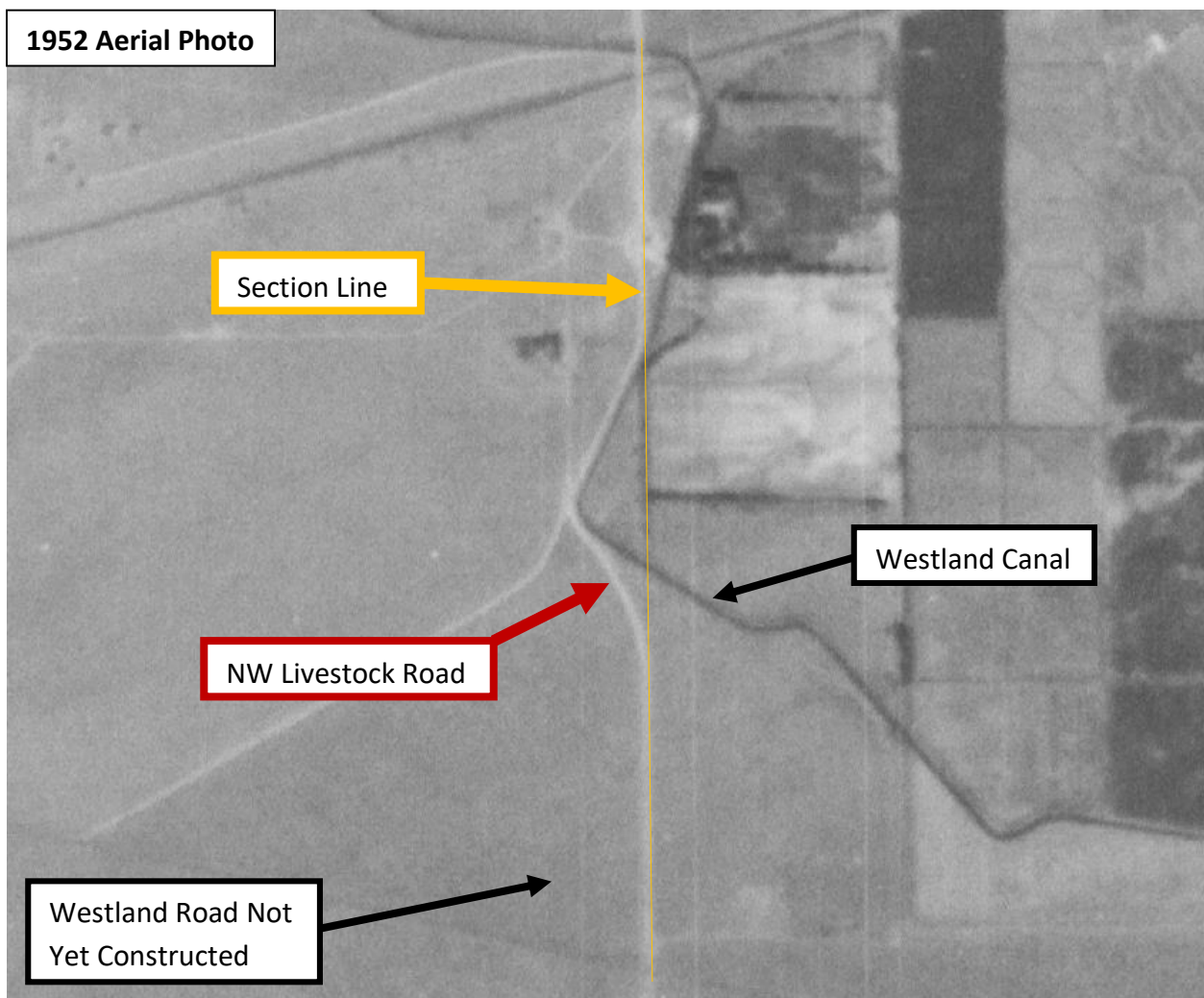
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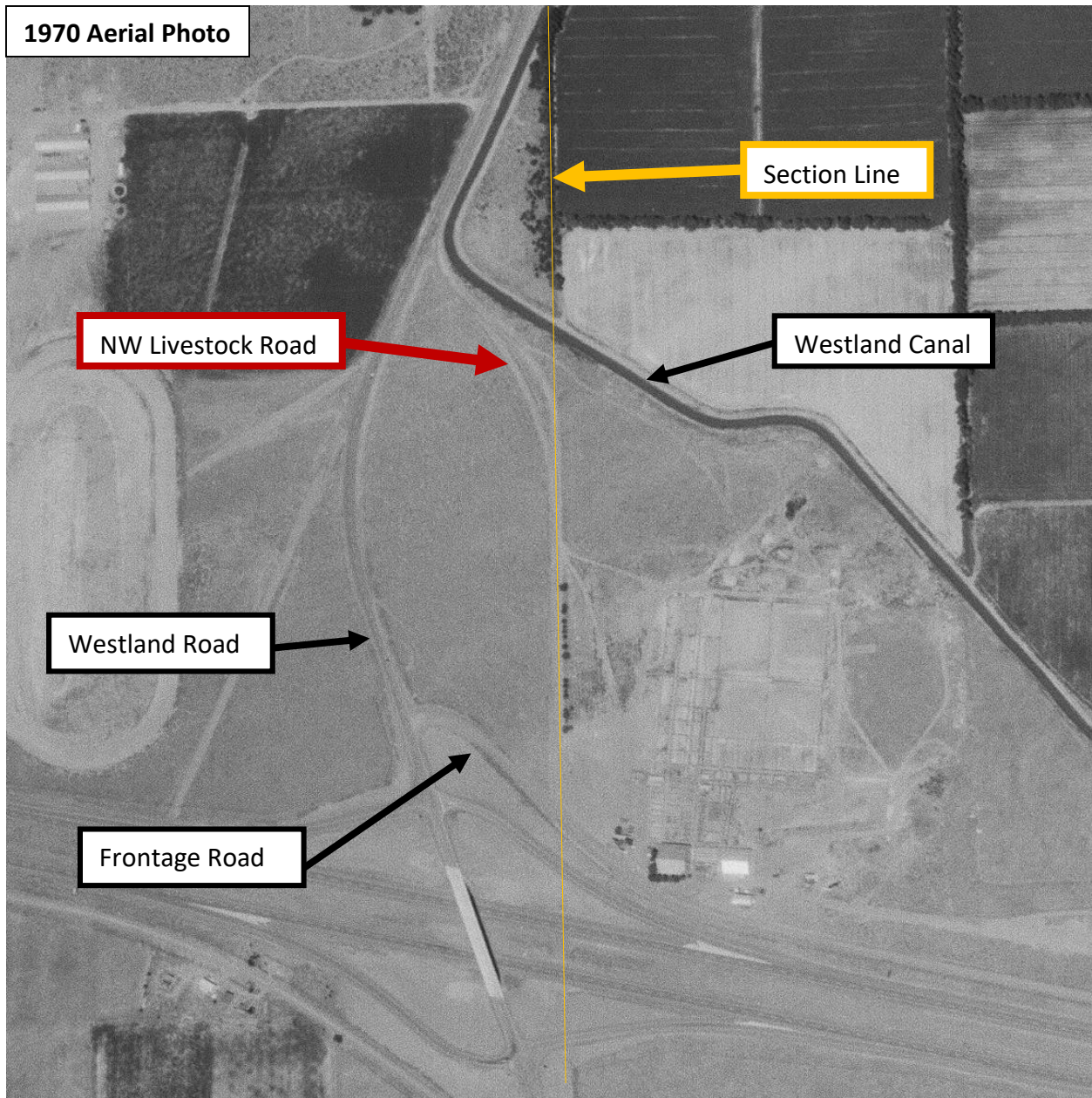
The portion of NW Livestock Road proposed to be legalized is located between the easterly right-of-way margin of Westland Road and the east line of Section 25, Township 4 North, Range 27 East, W.M., being approximately 600 feet in length.



History

The original road (Old Road No. 651) as established May 9, 1908 was described as following the north-south sections lines, more specifically the east line of said Section 25. The current physical location of the road redirects westerly from the section line to its intersection with Westland Road to avoid crossing the Westland Canal. Records indicate that the petition for Old Road No. 651 was filed the same day as the Westland Canal right-of-way was deeded. It is highly likely that the road never followed the section line as described, but rather deviated westerly around the canal to avoid the construction of two additional bridges. Historical imagery from 1952 further supports this theory as the road follows the same route as is being proposed for legalization. No visual evidence of the road along the section line can be seen in the historical imagery.

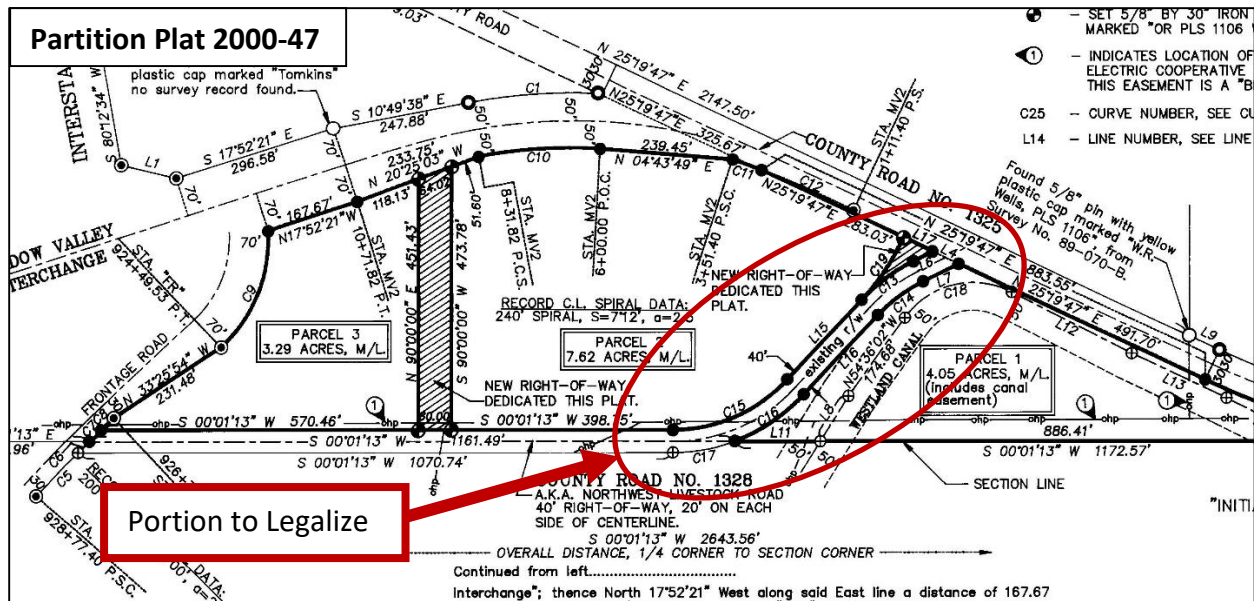




In 1965 ODOT relinquished a portion of I-84 frontage right-of-way to the County. Since that time the as-traveled location of NW Livestock Road followed this frontage road alignment. The original alignment remained intact but rarely used.

A survey was conducted by William Wells in 1999 for an adjoining property owner. In that survey he held the roads physical location for alignment and monumented the right-of-way at a width of 40 feet, per discussion with the Umatilla County Road Department. He then subsequently filed a partition plat in 2000 where additional right-of-way was

dedicated. The right-of-way now needs to be legalized in preparation of future development and road improvement.



Future Plans

The Public Works Department plans to close the frontage road intersection and re-establish the original NW Livestock Road alignment by returning to County standards. This will satisfy current ODOT spacing standards for intersections near Interstate ramps, a standard the current intersection does not meet, while also being located to better suite future development needs and the possibility of a four-way intersection.

If legalization is completed, the Public Works Department will then perform a right-of-way survey to document and/or re-establish any right-of-way monuments that may be disturbed during the improvement process.

Recommendation

It is the recommendation of the Public Works Department that this portion of NW Livestock road be legalized as shown in Partition Plat 2000-47 and that any existing public right-of-way dedicated and accepted in said plat be placed on the County Road system as part of NW Livestock Road, County Road No. 1328. It is also recommended that the portion of Old Road No. 651 lying between the southerly right-of-way margin of

Westland Road, County Road No. 1215 and the northerly right-of-way margin of the proposed legalization be documented in the order as void as allowed in ORS 368.216(4)(a) & (b).

The proposed legalization will improve safety and provide the infrastructure for future development and transportation needs. Returning the road to its former location will also satisfy current ODOT setback requirements for access points from an interstate overpass, improving the overall safety and function of the interchange.