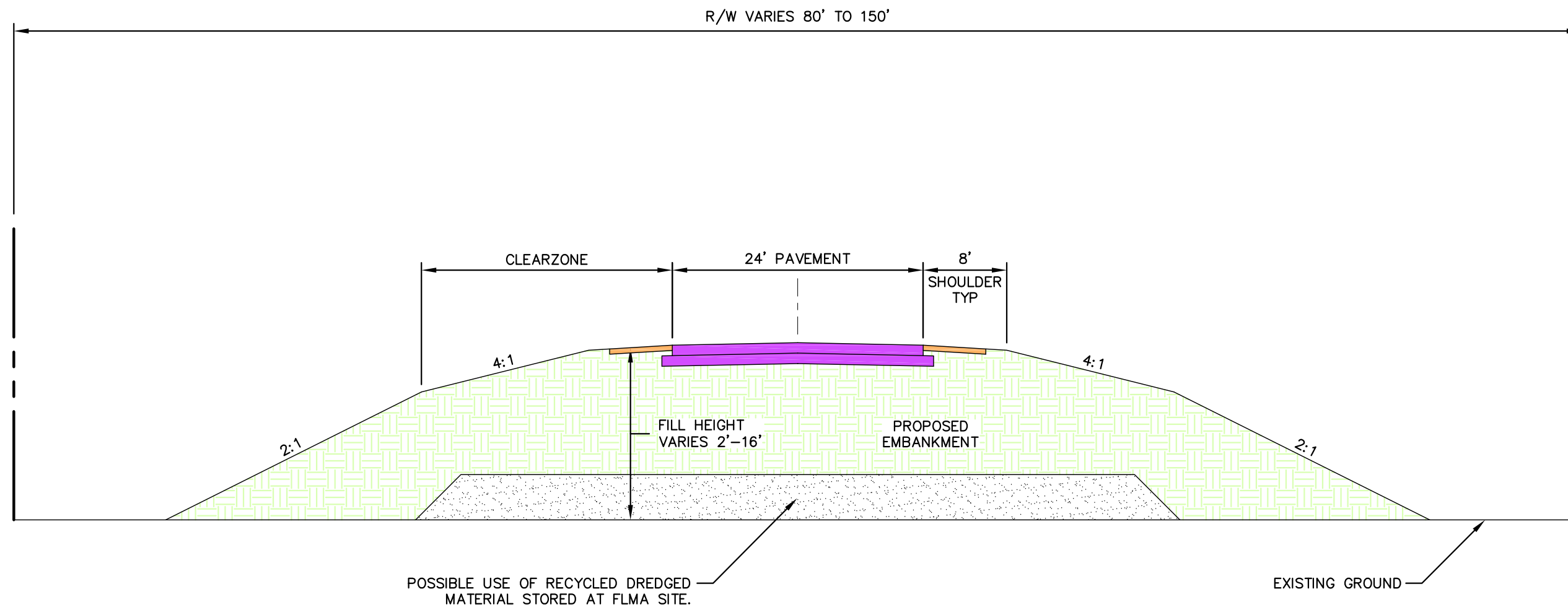


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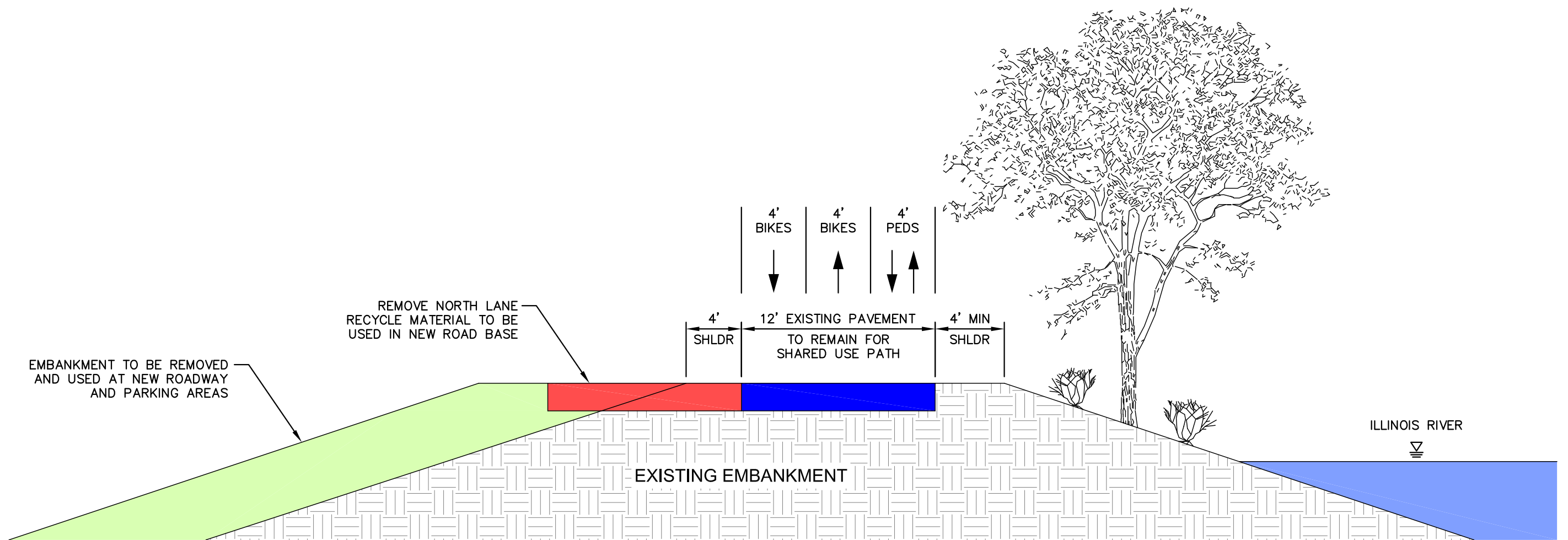
This project includes the preliminary engineering for the relocation of Dee Bennett Road from Illinois Route 178 to east of the entrance to Starved Rock Lock and Dam. The project length is approximately 1.9 miles. In addition, the preliminary engineering will include utilizing the former Dee Bennett Road as a shared-use path along the Illinois River. The path will access the Illinois Waterway Visitor Center at the lock & dam. Parking areas for access to the path will be included.

The project has the following benefits;

- Safe access to Starved Rock Lock & Dam during flood events by elevating the relocated highway above the 100-year flood.
- Safer flow of traffic through the elimination of multiple curves.
- Removing parked cars, bicyclists, and pedestrians from the roadway.
- Provide turn lanes into parking areas and into the lock and dam to promote the safe flow of traffic. The current entrance into the lock and dam is difficult for trucks and equipment to maneuver.
- Additional access to the Illinois River for recreational activities including construction of shared-use path.



RE-LOCATED DEE BENNETT ROAD
CROSS SECTION



TYPICAL SECTION
 EXISTING DEE BENNETT ROAD
 CONVERSION TO SHARED USE PATH