



Alternate Reporting on Cornwall Island

Presentation to the Mohawk
Council of Akwesasne

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PURPOSE OF THE PRESENTATION

- To present an alternate reporting option to address the reporting requirement challenges currently experienced by Mohawks of Akwesasne travelling to Cornwall Island from the United States

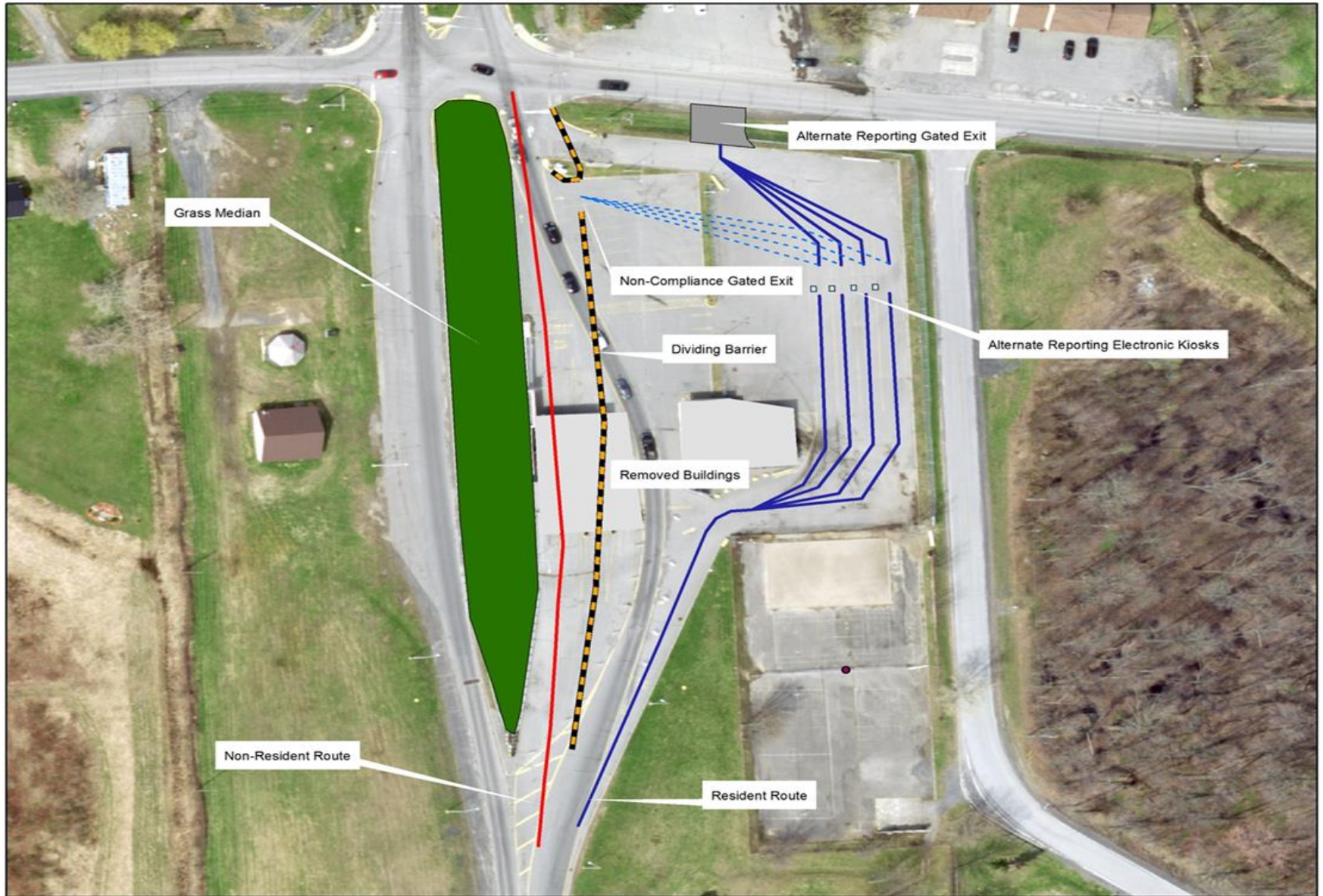
BACKGROUND

- In partnership with the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne (MCA), the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) would like to develop an alternate reporting option (AR) solution to alleviate reporting challenges
- An AR solution would expedite the border clearance process that could be made available to all Mohawks of Akwesasne (as identified under the Indian Act)

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Proposed solution will need to fit the geographical area
- AR will not remove the requirement for domestic traffic to report to the POE in Cornwall upon leaving Cornwall Island
- Ongoing support of local police for site security would be provided by the MCA
- AR will only be available for primary processing (e.g. secondary processing will require travelling to the POE)
- A secure video monitoring process will need to be in place

A PROPOSED CONCEPT

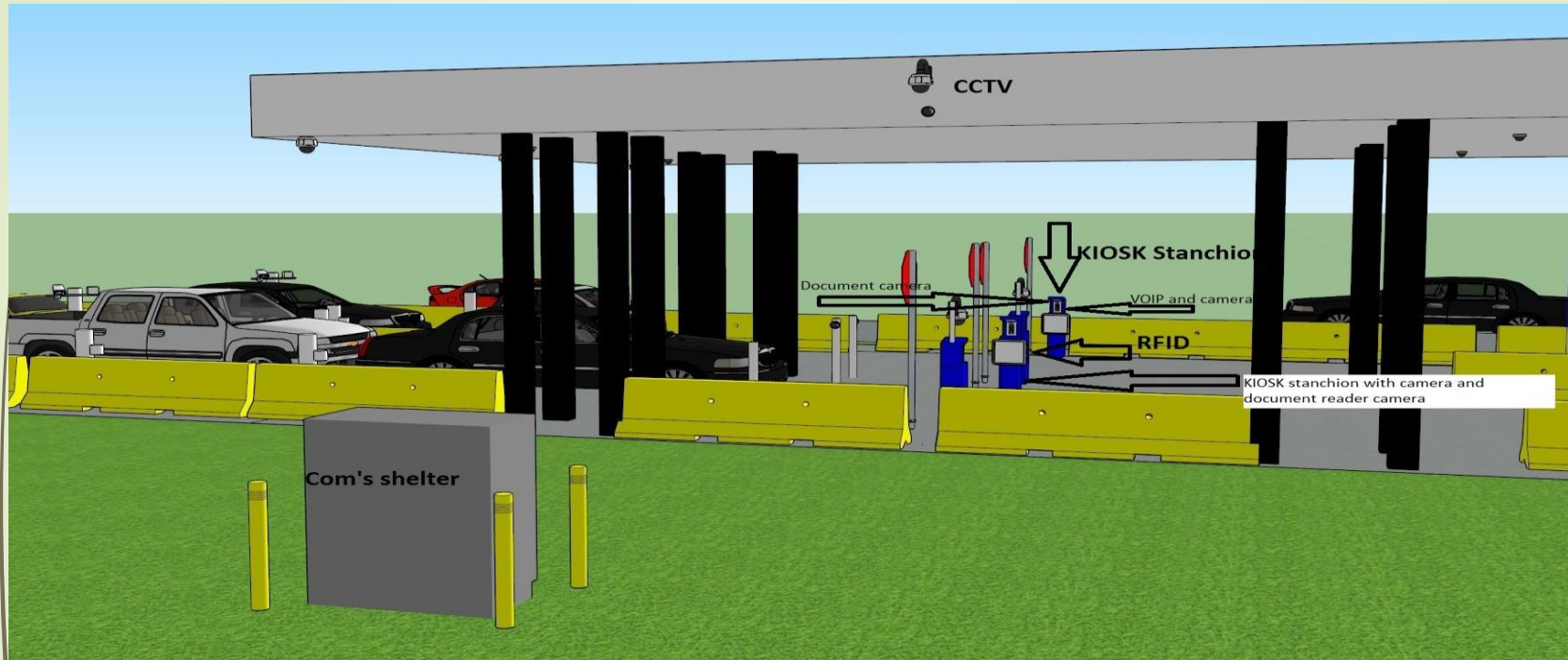


PROPOSED PROCESS



- When crossing into Canada, signage will direct eligible AR members
- A traffic gate restricts access when closed/unavailable
- As the car enters the lane, a license plate reader (LPR) will register the vehicle's plate and the driver will swipe/scan RFID card(s) and then proceed to the kiosk.
- A picture of the card holder(s) and biographical data would be displayed on the monitoring station located at the Cornwall POE

PROPOSED PROCESS (cont'd)



- Primary processing occurs through the use of audio (2-way) and visual (1-way) technology
- Gates monitored and controlled at Cornwall POE
- Secondary referrals sent to and processed at the Cornwall POE

PROPOSED REGISTRATION PROCESS

- All Mohawks of Akwesasne (as per the Indian Act) are eligible
- Biographical data and photo to be provided to receive RFID card
 - Cards would be issued at the Cornwall POE
 - ID confirming status/residence would be required
 - All information obtained will be securely stored, likely in a stand alone system
 - The cards will be issued by CBSA and remain the property of CBSA
- Card could be cancelled for non-compliance

IMPLEMENTATION

- ▶ To ensure the system operates effectively a gradual introduction is proposed:
 - ▶ Initially 07:00-19:00 operation, Monday to Friday
 - ▶ A trial group of high frequency travellers
 - ▶ Limited lane operation, 2 to start
- With projects of this scale, a gradual introduction ensures successful outcome

BENEFITS

- Eliminates the need for a longer trip to the POE
- Reduced wait times at the Cornwall POE
- No CBSA officer presence on Cornwall Island

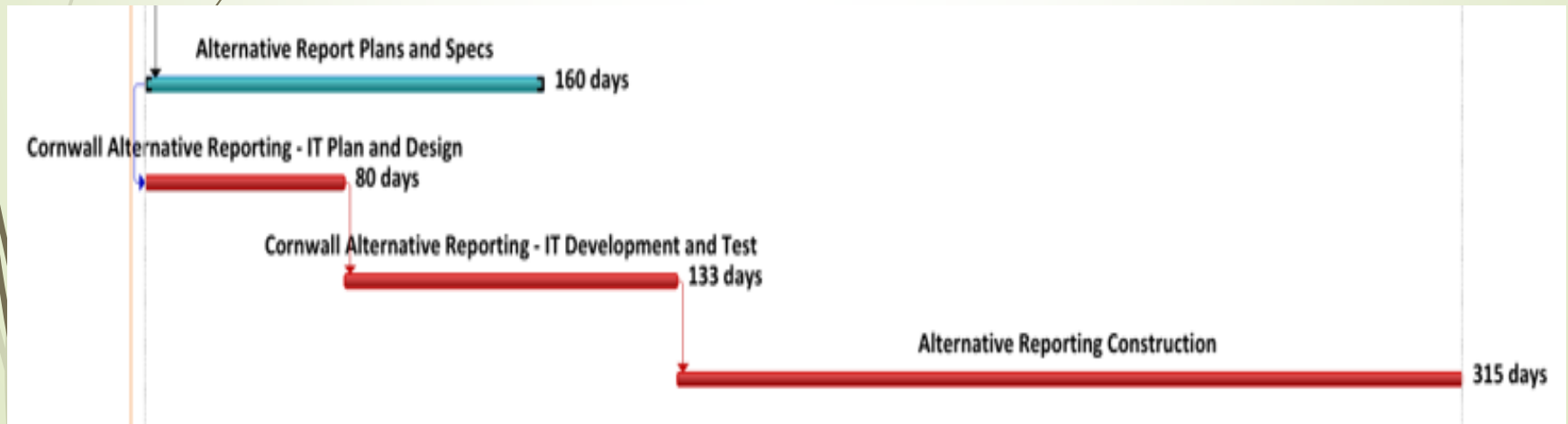
NEXT STEPS

- Conclude agreement on the AR parameters
- Conclude agreement on issues such as police support
- Develop service standards
- Undertake engineering and design work
- Initiate registration (nearer to completion)

TIMELINES

Once a design and a concept is agreed upon, implementation would take 18-24 months*. This includes:

- Planning and specifications (160 days)
- IT plan and design (80 days)
- IT development and test (133 days)
- Construction of site (315 days)



* NOTE: This does not factor in time for registration process and the development of standard operating procedures/guidance documents, etc.

Questions?

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