

Alignments on this Map

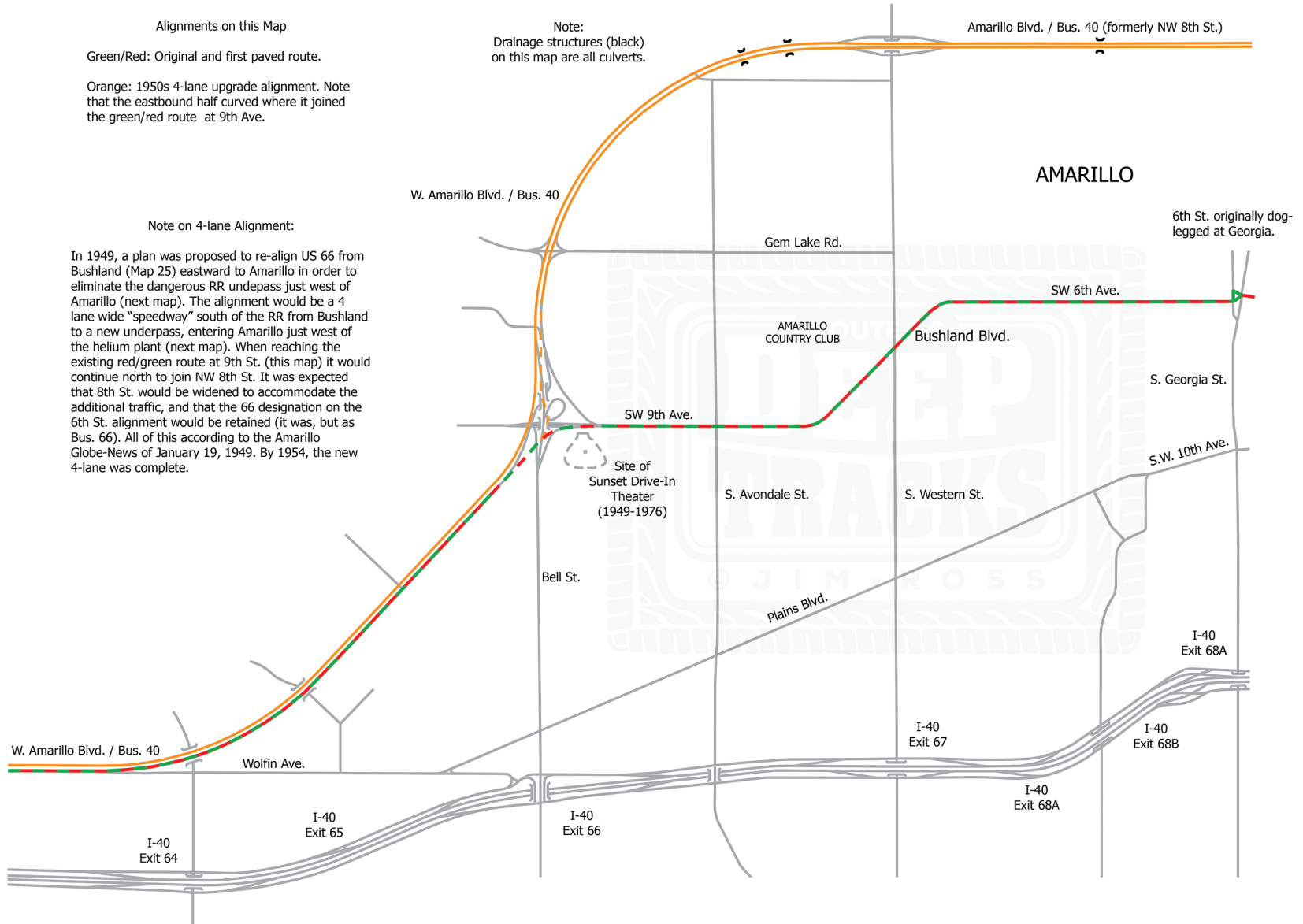
Green/Red: Original and first paved route.

Orange: 1950s 4-lane upgrade alignment. Note that the eastbound half curved where it joined the green/red route at 9th Ave.

Note:
Drainage structures (black) on this map are all culverts.

Note on 4-lane Alignment:

In 1949, a plan was proposed to re-align US 66 from Bushland (Map 25) eastward to Amarillo in order to eliminate the dangerous RR undepass just west of Amarillo (next map). The alignment would be a 4 lane wide "speedway" south of the RR from Bushland to a new underpass, entering Amarillo just west of the helium plant (next map). When reaching the existing red/green route at 9th St. (this map) it would continue north to join NW 8th St. It was expected that 8th St. would be widened to accommodate the additional traffic, and that the 66 designation on the 6th St. alignment would be retained (it was, but as Bus. 66). All of this according to the Amarillo Globe-News of January 19, 1949. By 1954, the new 4-lane was complete.



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6th St. originally dog-legged at Georgia.

I-40 Exit 68A

I-40 Exit 68B

I-40 Exit 68A

I-40 Exit 67

I-40 Exit 66

I-40 Exit 65

I-40 Exit 64