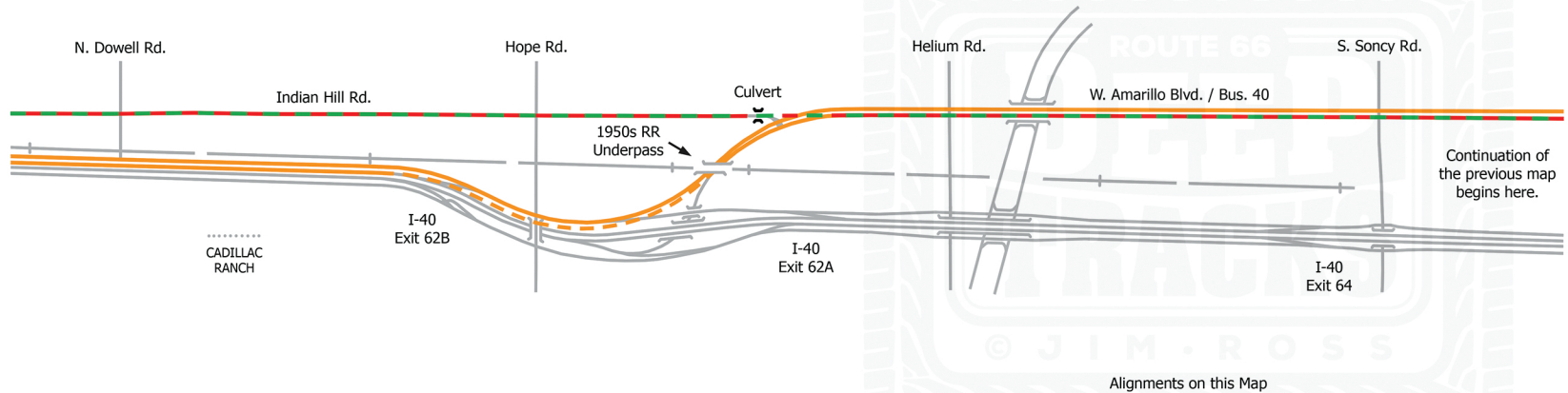


Between Amarillo (east)
and Vega (west)



Alignments on this Map

Green/Red: Original and first paved route, adopted as the eastbound half of the 4-lane alignment on the right upper portion of the map. At Hill Dr. (lower portion of the map), it curved sharply to pass underneath the RR and then resume along today's north I-40 frontage road.

Orange: 1950s 4-lane US 66. This included lanes added to the green/red route on the right upper portion of the map, and all new lanes westward to just west of Hill Dr. (lower portion of the map), where it again adopted the green/red route for its westbound lanes.

Note: In 1949, plans got underway to eliminate the dangerous RR underpass on the green/red route with the new 4-lane, which would originate in Bushland (next map) and proceed eastward into Amarillo (previous map). This project was completed in 1954. The RR is now abandoned and the underpass has been filled in. Only a trace of pavement on the curve next to Hill Dr. survives.

A 1930s coupe passes a billboard as it navigates the S-curve beneath the RR at Hill Dr. west of Amarillo (below).

