

# LACLEDE 440R – BRIDGE OVER THE GASCONADE RIVER



## SCENARIO 5: CONSTRUCT NEW BRIDGE AND OUTER ROAD ON NORTH SIDE OF I-44

### PROS:

- 1.) ALLOWS THE POSSIBILITY OF EXISTING ROUTE 66 BRIDGE TO REMAIN IN PLACE UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP.
- 2.) NEW BRIDGE STRUCTURE WILL PROVIDE 80 YEARS OF SERVICE LIFE.
- 3.) PROVIDES A SAFE RIVER CROSSING THAT IS NOT HEIGHT, WIDTH, OR WEIGHT RESTRICTED.
- 4.) PROVIDES AN INCIDENT MANAGEMENT ROUTE THAT CAN BE USED FOR ALL I-44 TRAFFIC.
- 5.) PROVIDES A SAFER ALIGNMENT AND IMPROVES DEFICIENCIES AT THE BRIDGE APPROACHES.
- 6.) NO IMPACTS TO DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION RIVER ACCESS.

### CONS:

- 1.) MOST COSTLY SCENARIO WHICH WOULD REQUIRE APPROXIMATELY \$1.4 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL OUTSIDE FUNDING.
- 2.) REQUIRES BUILDING APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF MILE OF ADDITIONAL OUTER ROADWAY TO CONNECT THE ROAD TO THE BRIDGE.
- 3.) REQUIRES BUILDING AN ADDITIONAL OVERFLOW BRIDGE EAST OF THE GASCONADE RIVER BRIDGE.
- 4.) DIVERTS TRAFFIC OFF OF EXISTING ROUTE 66 CORRIDOR FOR APPROXIMATELY 6 MILES.
- 5.) SOMEONE WOULD NEED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THE OLD BRIDGE FOR IT TO REMAIN IN PLACE.

COST: \$5.82 MILLION