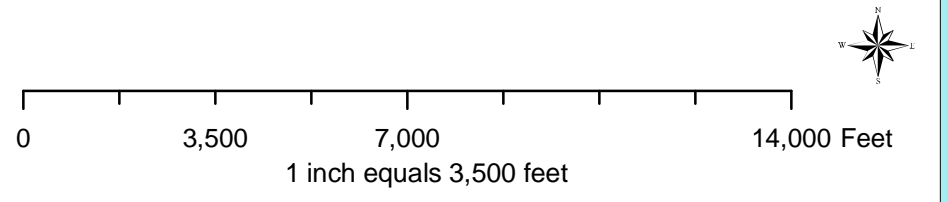


Legend

- Alignment Alternatives Eliminated from Detailed Environmental Review
- Alignment Alternatives Retained for Detailed Environmental Review



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Figure 2:
Preliminary Alternative Alignment Screening
Nicollet Section

X3B. Eliminate;
No advantage connecting
this far west

X3A. Eliminate;
Diagonal provides
no advantages

A3A. Existing Alignment -
Retain for Comparative
Study

A3B. Retain & Refine

A3C. Retain & Refine;
Avoids direct impacts to WMA
(need to refine to "best avoidance
alternative"); also see A3D.

A3D. Retain & Refine;
Avoids direct impacts to WMA
(need to refine to "best avoidance
alternative"); also see A3C.

X3D. Eliminate;
Alts. A3A & A3B result in fewer
farmland impacts

X3C. Eliminate;
Alts. A3A & A3B result in fewer
farmland impacts

A3E. - Retain by definition;
common alignment for all
alternatives to west