

Beltway Could Take Up To 567 County Acres

The proposed Southern Beltway to be built around the city of Lancaster could take up to 567 acres of county land depending on which of the four routes is chosen.

But according to Orval Bass, of the U. S Soil Conservation Service, of more importance to the Lancaster County Farm Community is the percentage of the best farm land that would be taken in each case.

(A) Land class No 1 & 2, 55 percent; Land class No. 3, 36 percent; Land class No. 4 & over, 10 percent; Total acres, 428

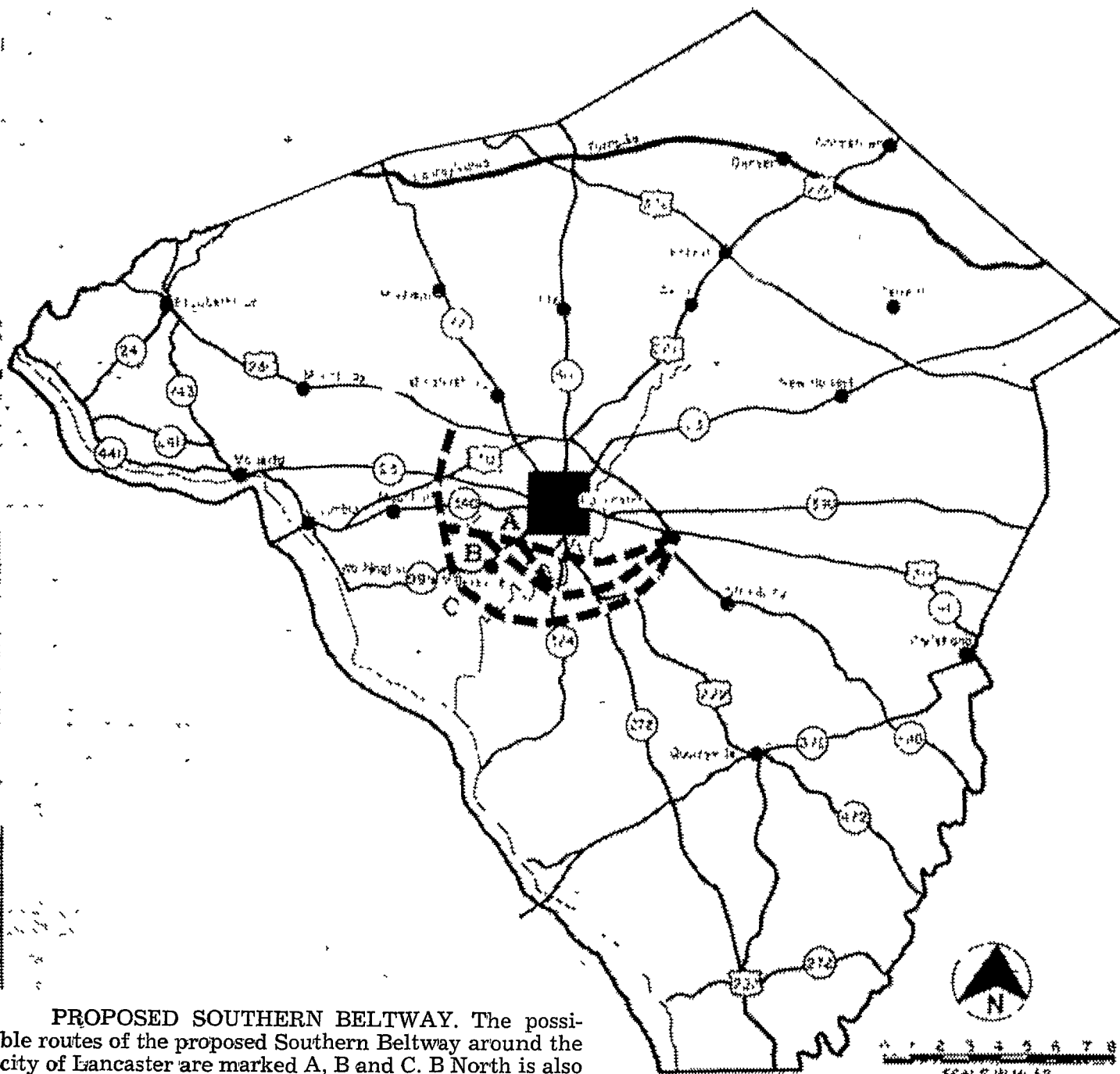
(B) Land class No 1 & 2, 55 percent; Land class No. 3, 27 percent; Land class 4 & over, 18 percent, Total acres, 482.

(B North) Land class No. 1 & 2, 54 percent; Land class No. 3, 29 percent; Land class No. 4 & over, 17 percent; Total acres, 498

(C) Land class No. 1 & 2, 66 percent; Land class No. 3, 21 percent; Land class No. 4 & over, 11 percent, Total acres, 567

All of the land that would be taken out of farm production by each of the four routes was rated according to its productivity.

The survey shows that Route C would take the most of the best farm land while Route B North would take the least. Also, B North would include nearly the most class 4 and over land having only 1 percent less of this type land than Route B.



PROPOSED SOUTHERN BELTWAY. The possible routes of the proposed Southern Beltway around the city of Lancaster are marked A, B and C. B North is also shown but not marked.

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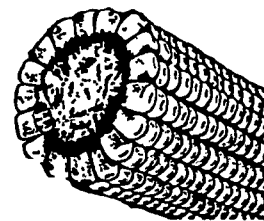
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