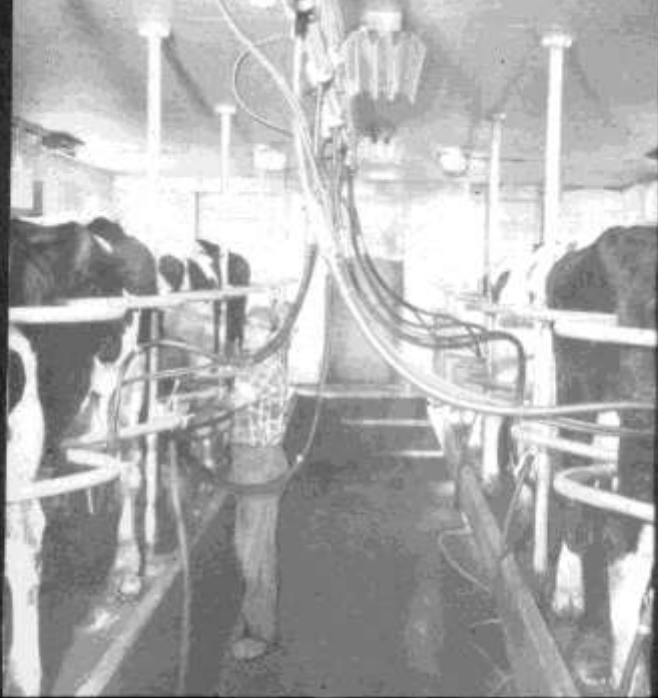


# Low Cost Parlors Options and Considerations



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# Historic Perspective



## 1955 Swing Parlors



**How do you  
remodel this.....**





**or this.....**



**...into this**



**or this.....**



**You need a plan**

**You have to  
think outside the  
freestall!**

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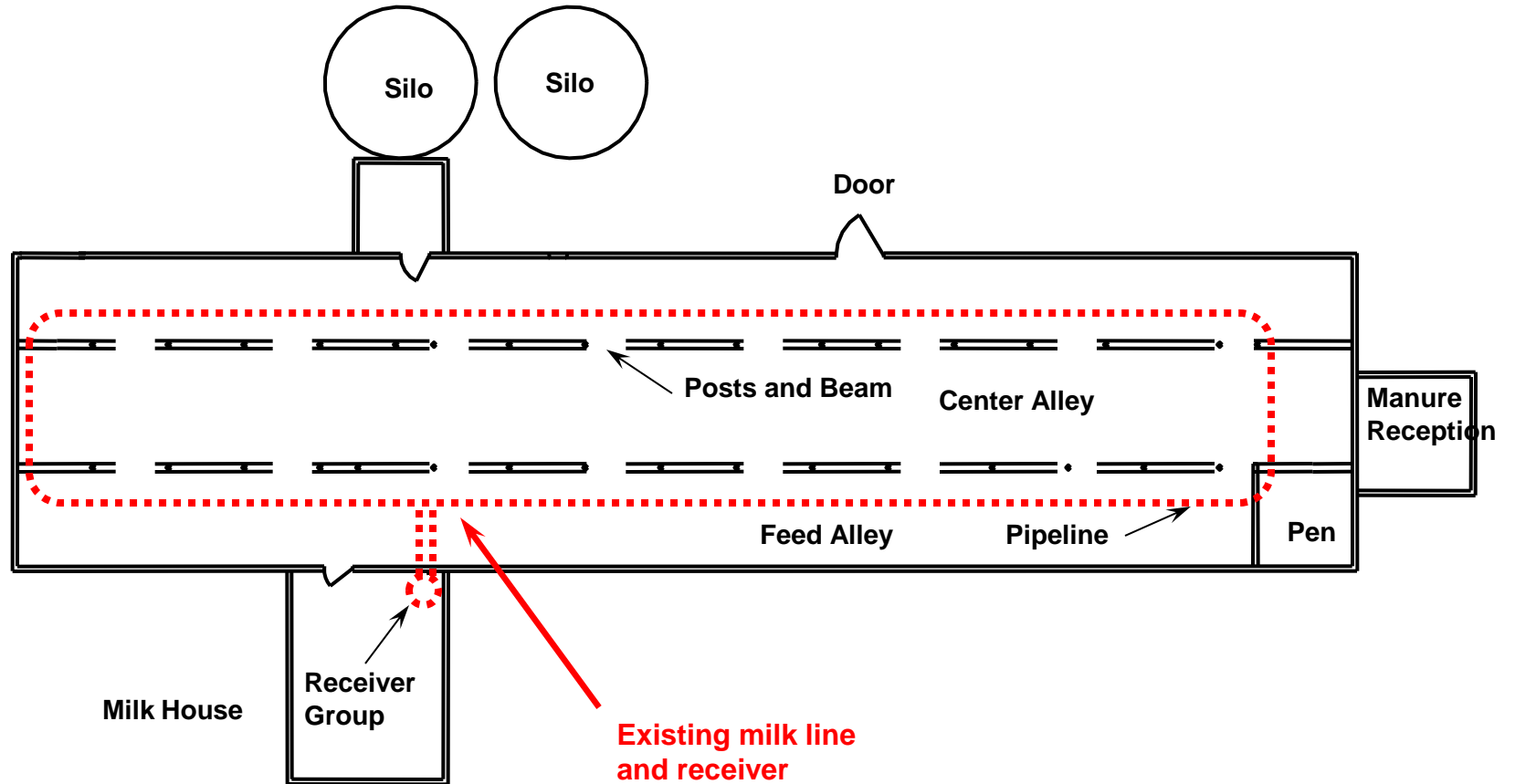
# **This might be a project for an owner/producer as a general contractor**

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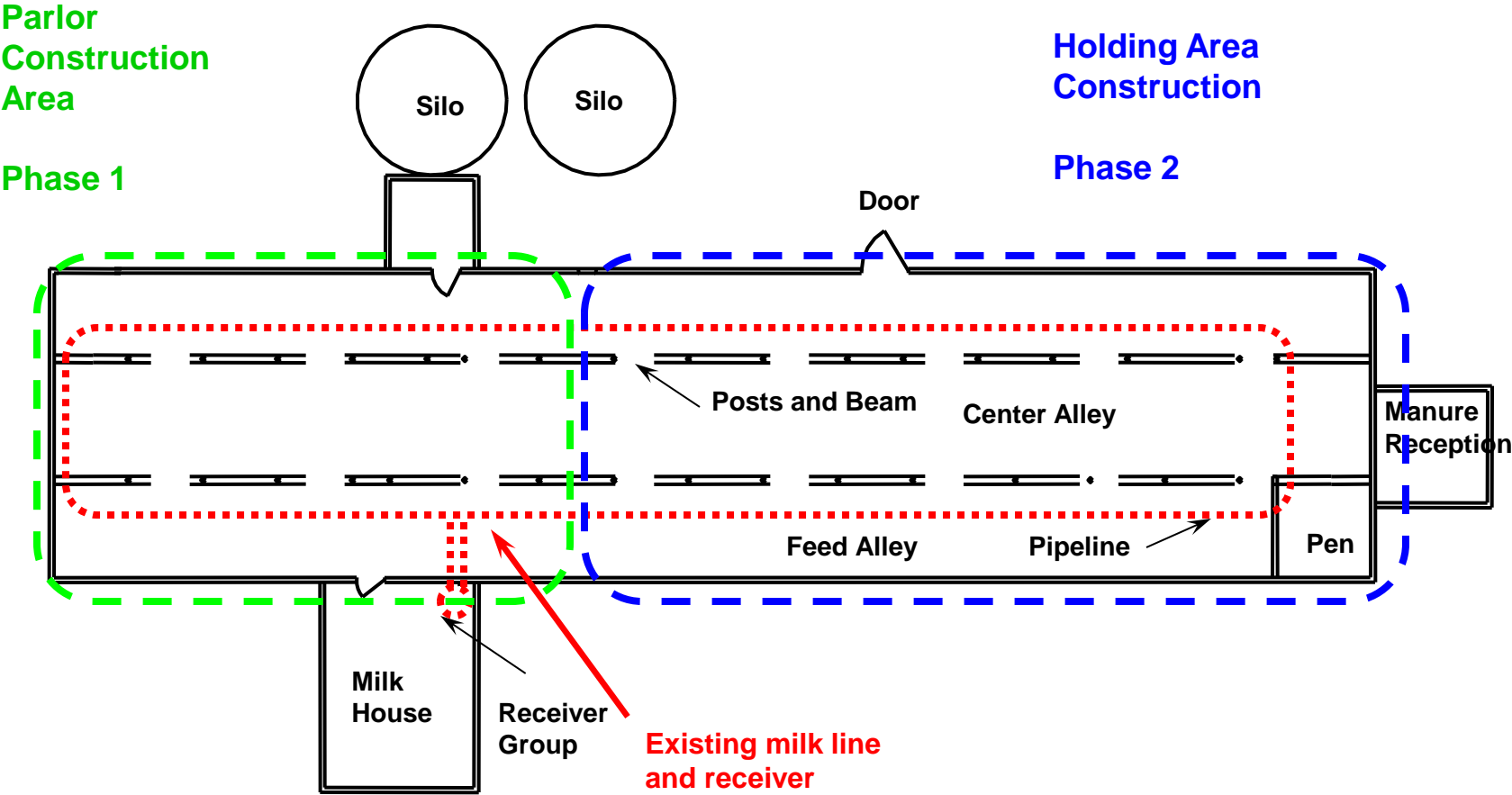
- But the producer needs some help:
  - Educate themselves on what can/has been done
  - Find a dealer willing to redesign the milking system
  - Find a building, concrete, plumbing, and electrical contractor willing to remodel a barn
  - Find an engineer willing to do some design work



# Existing Stall Barn Plan View



# Space Plan in Existing Stall Barn

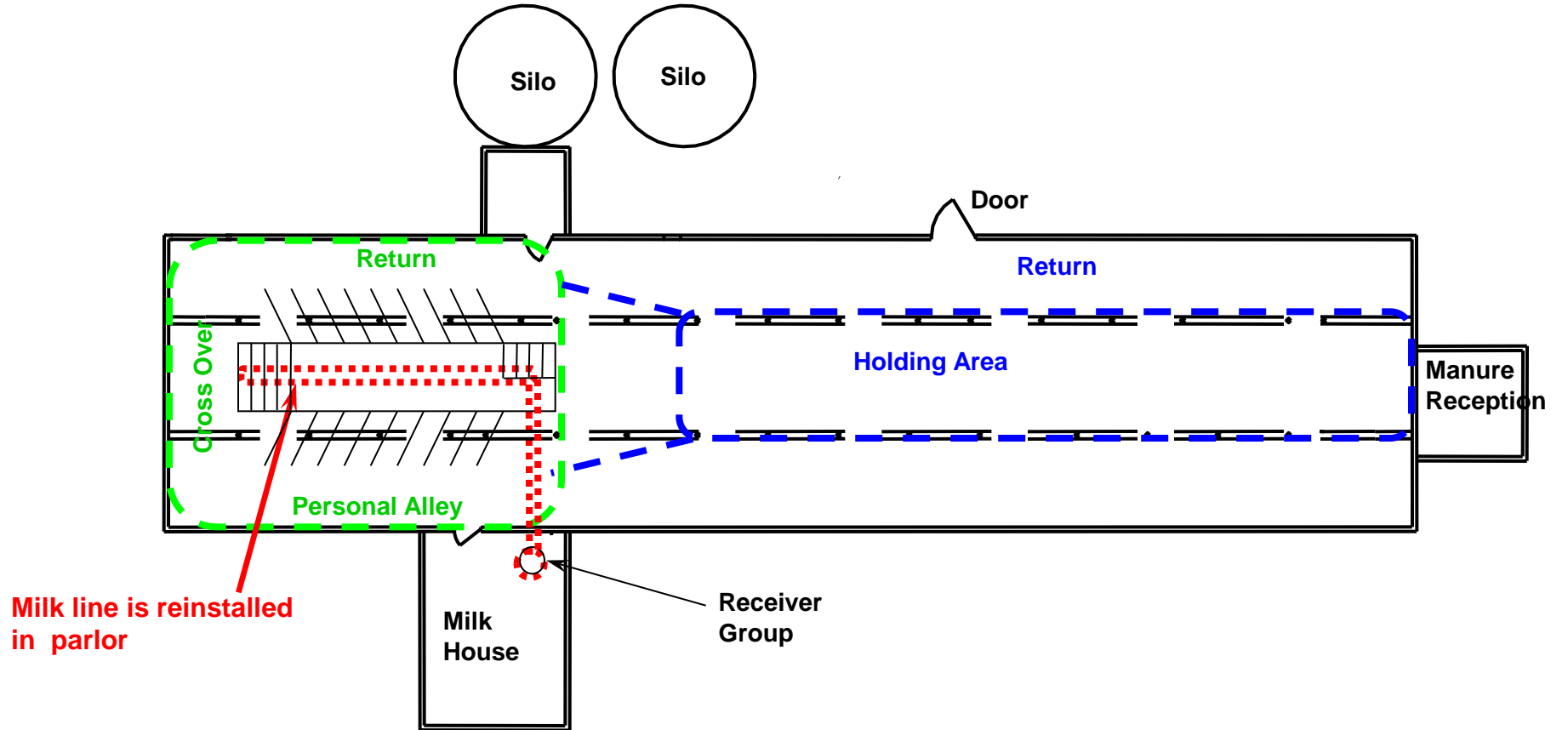


Plan View  
Existing Tie Stall Arrangement

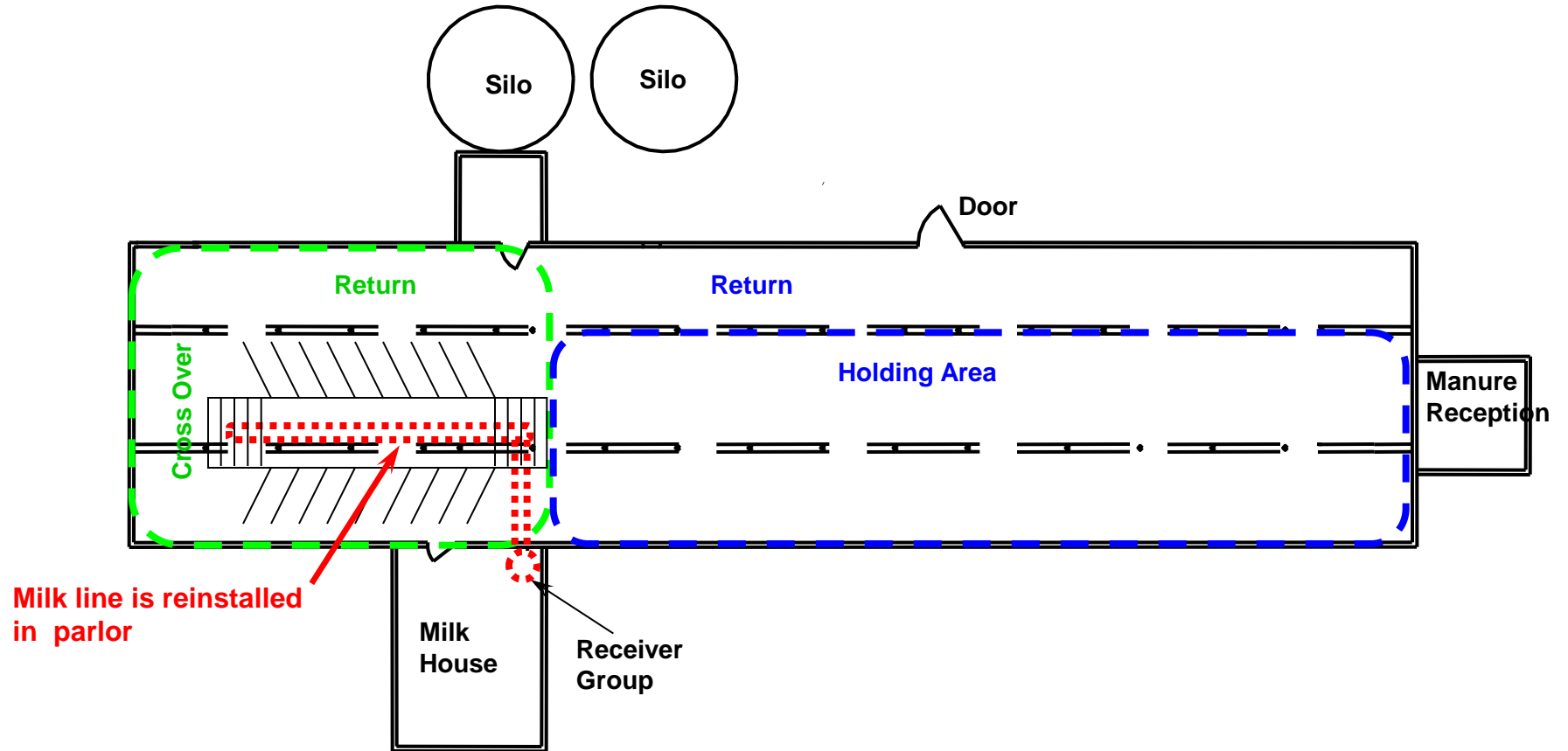


**Parlor in Barn**

# Centered Parlor Layout Plan View



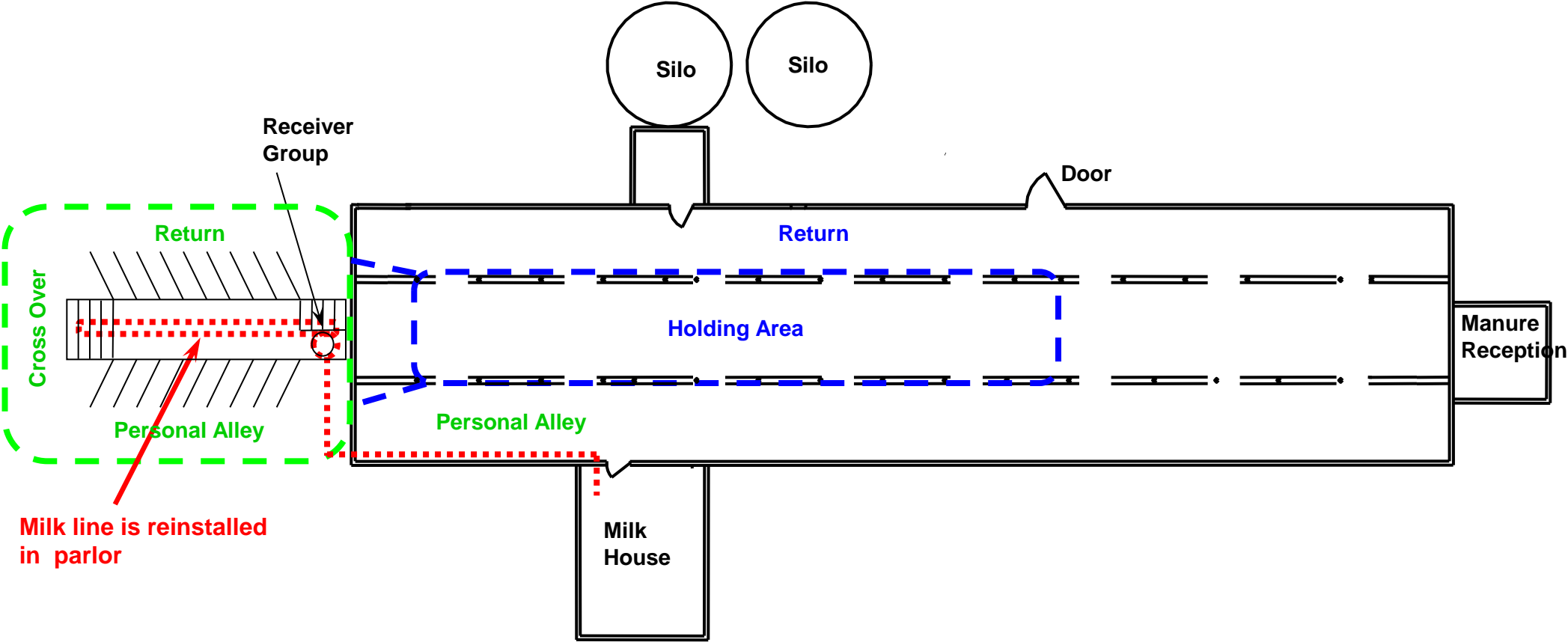
# Offset Parlor Layout Plan View



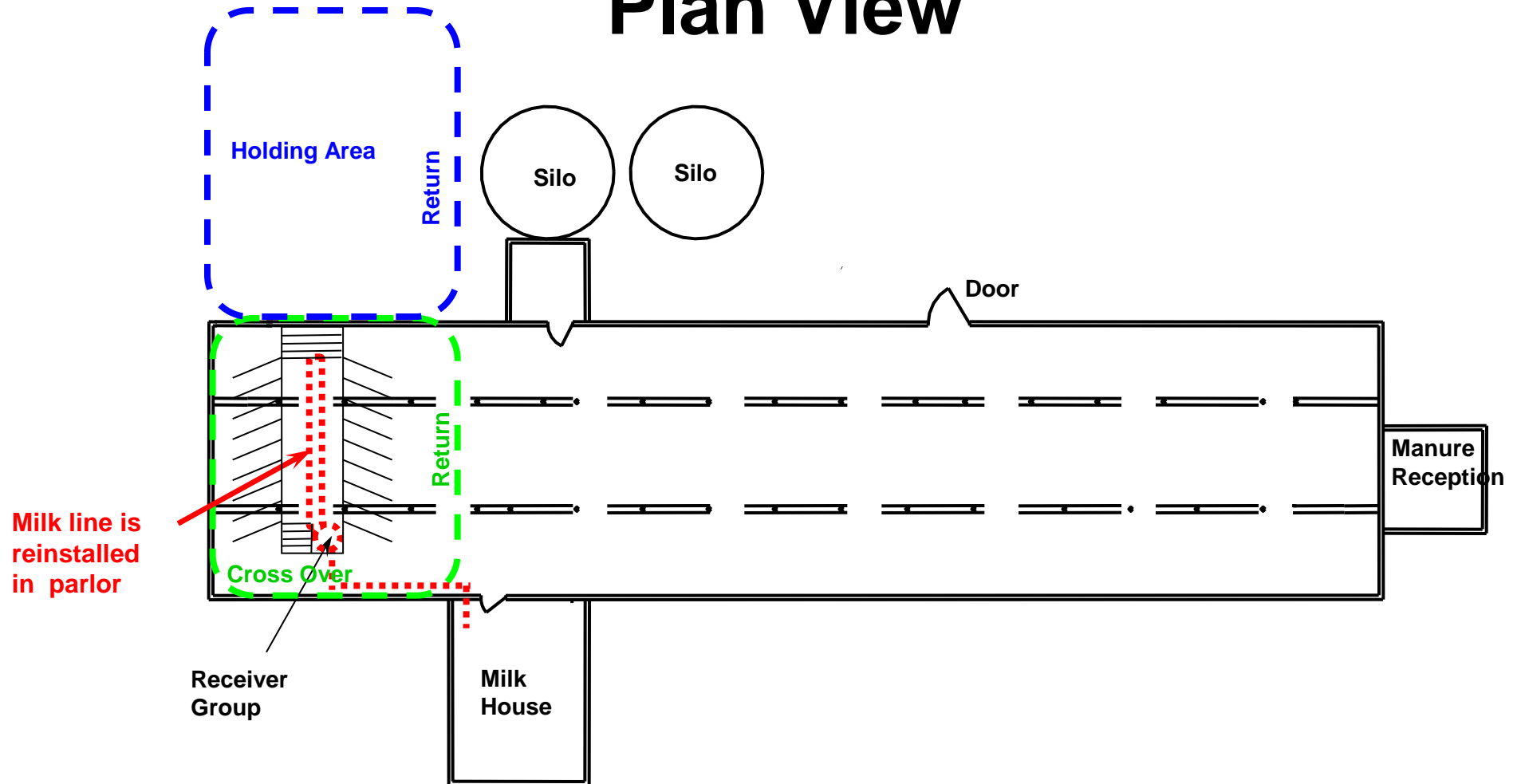


**New Parlor on end of Barn**

# New Parlor on end of Barn Plan View

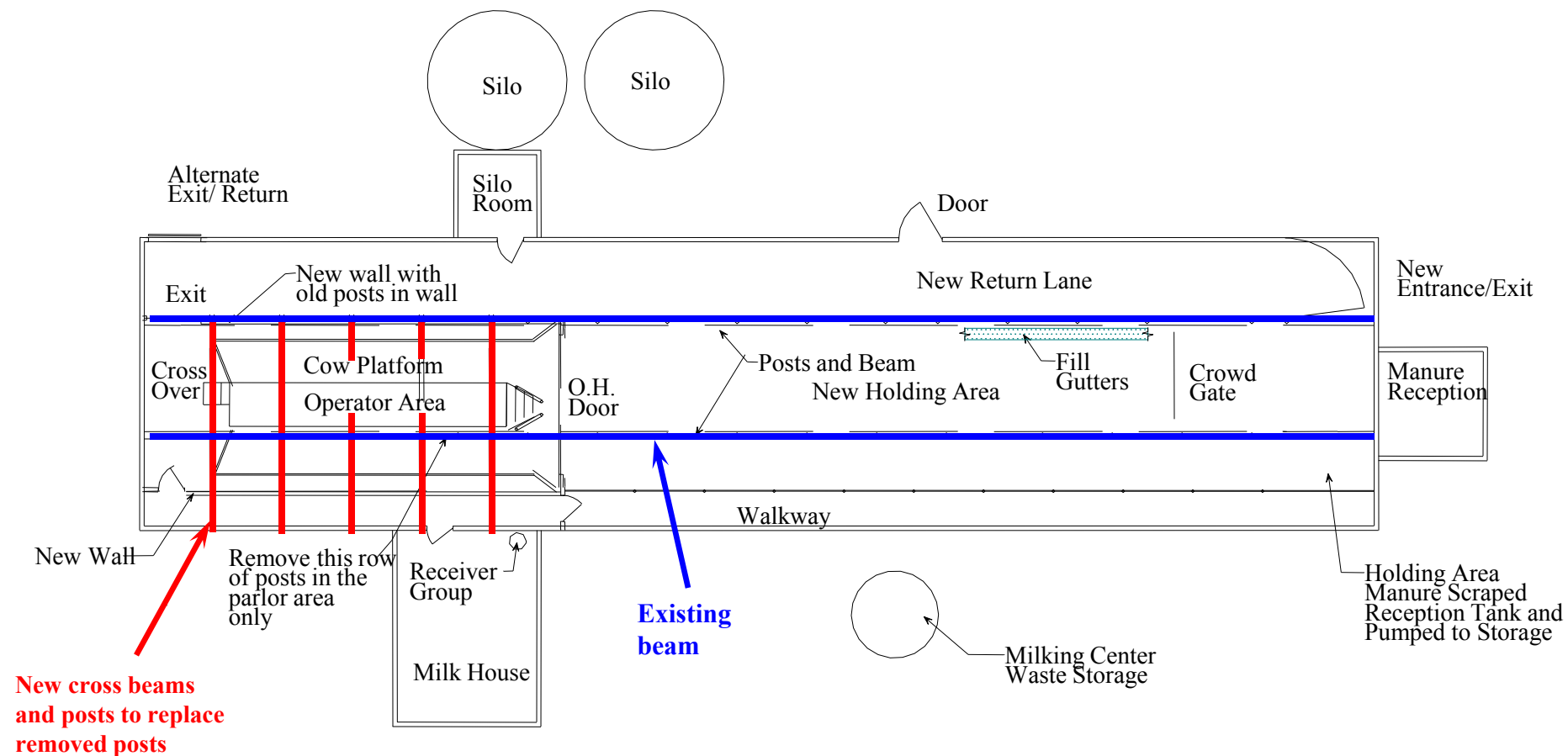


# Cross Ways Parlor Layout Plan View





# Structural Changes

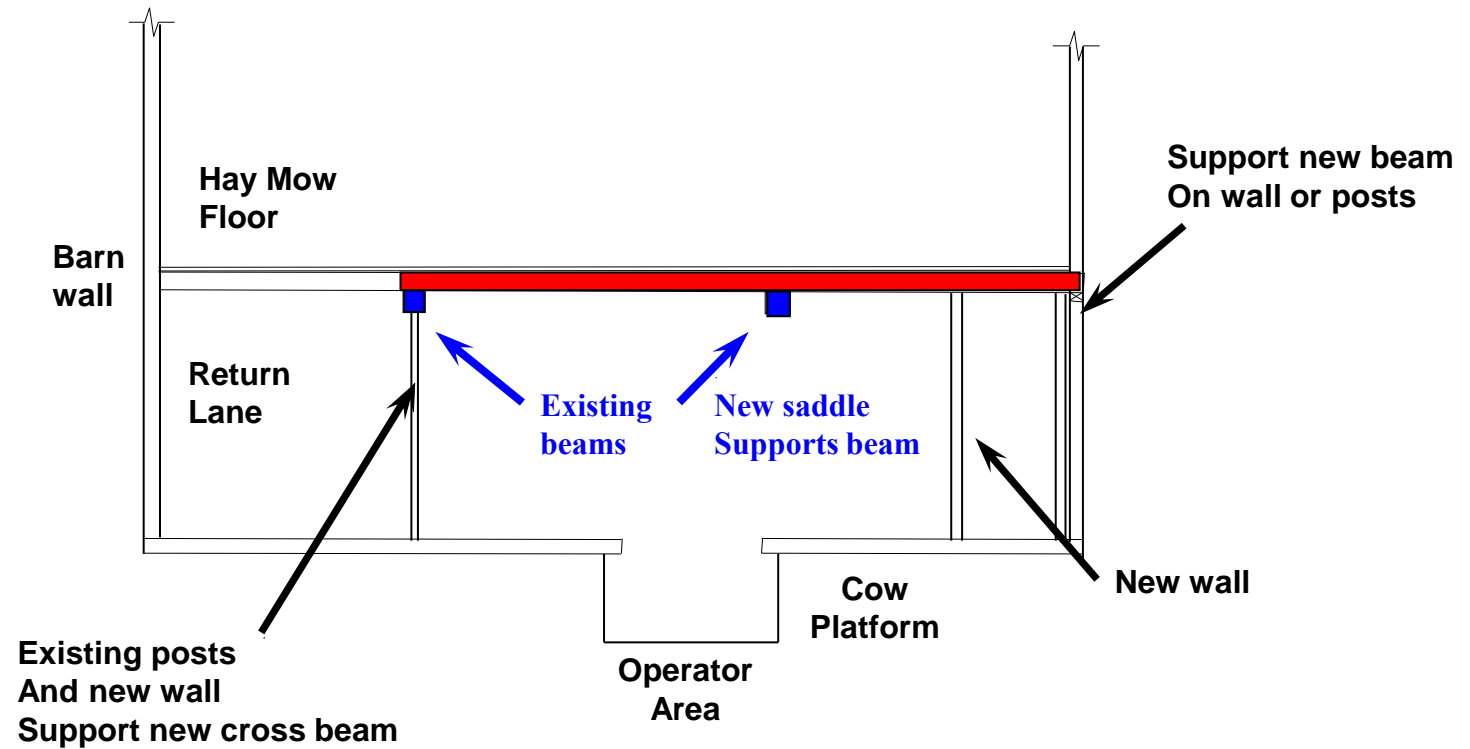


Plan View  
Remodeled Parlor Arrangement

# Structural Changes

(1 of 3)

New cross beam placed above existing beams



Cross Section View  
Remodeled Parlor Arrangement











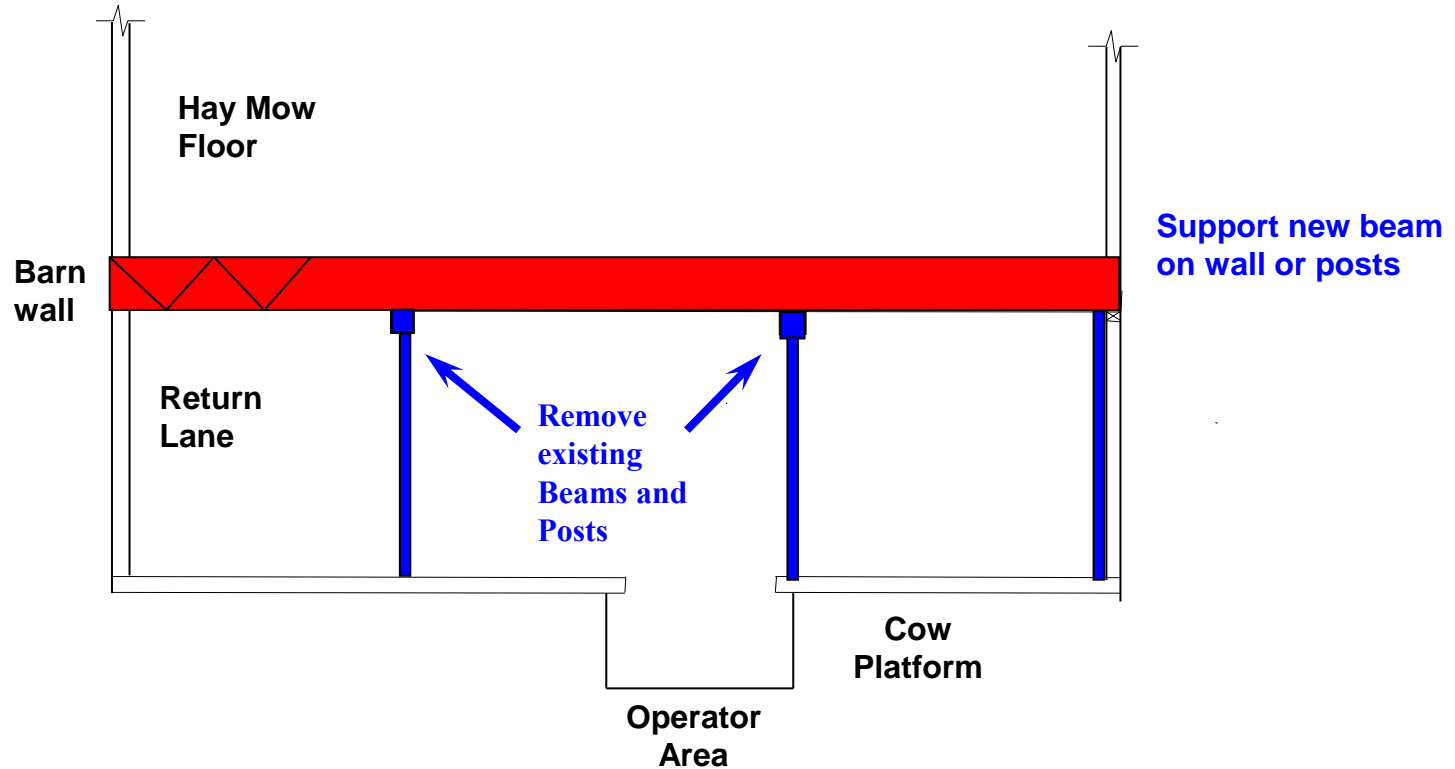




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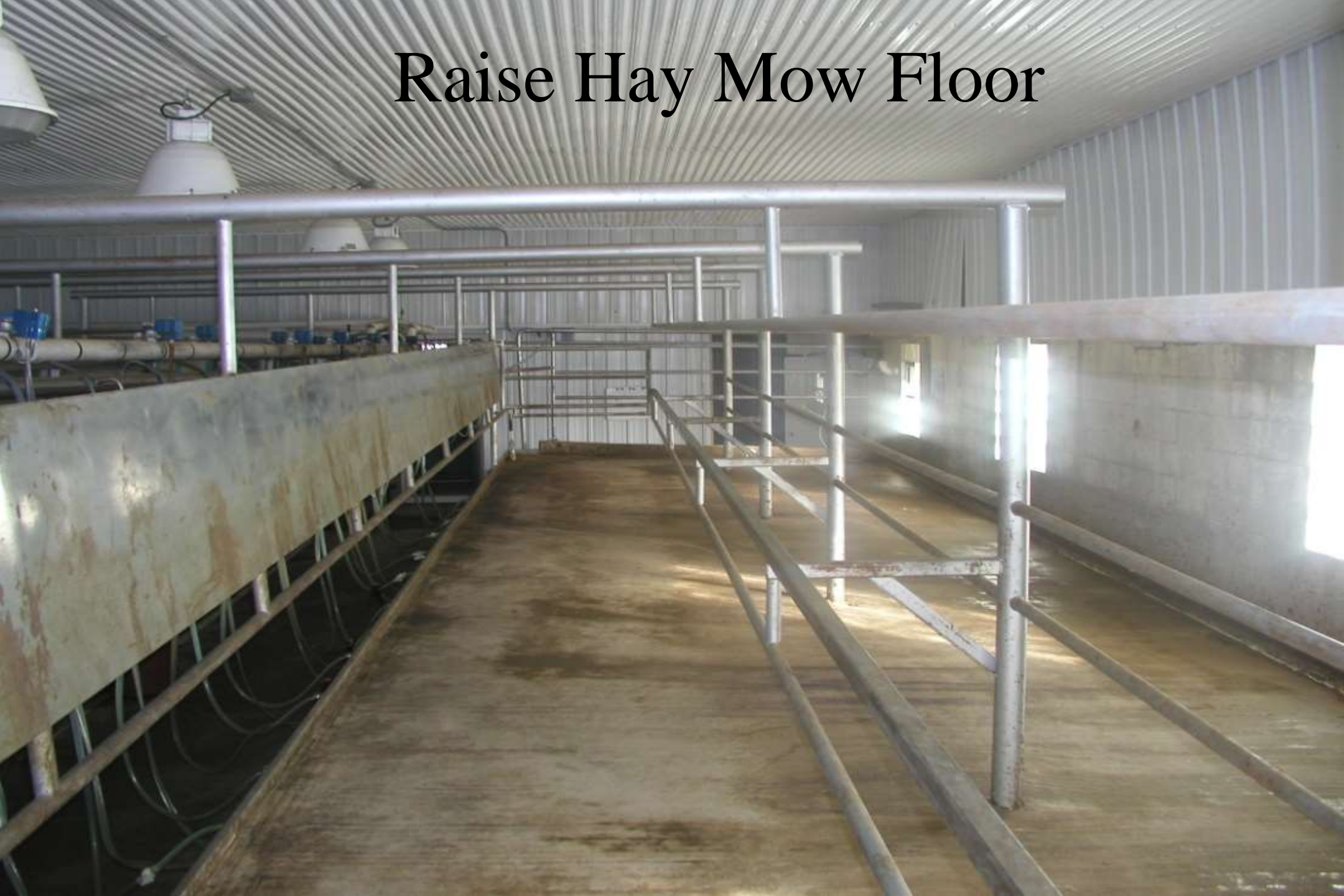
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Remove or Raise Mow Floor and Reframe



**Cross Section View**  
**Remodeled Parlor Arrangement**

# Raise Hay Mow Floor





Raise Hay Mow Floor

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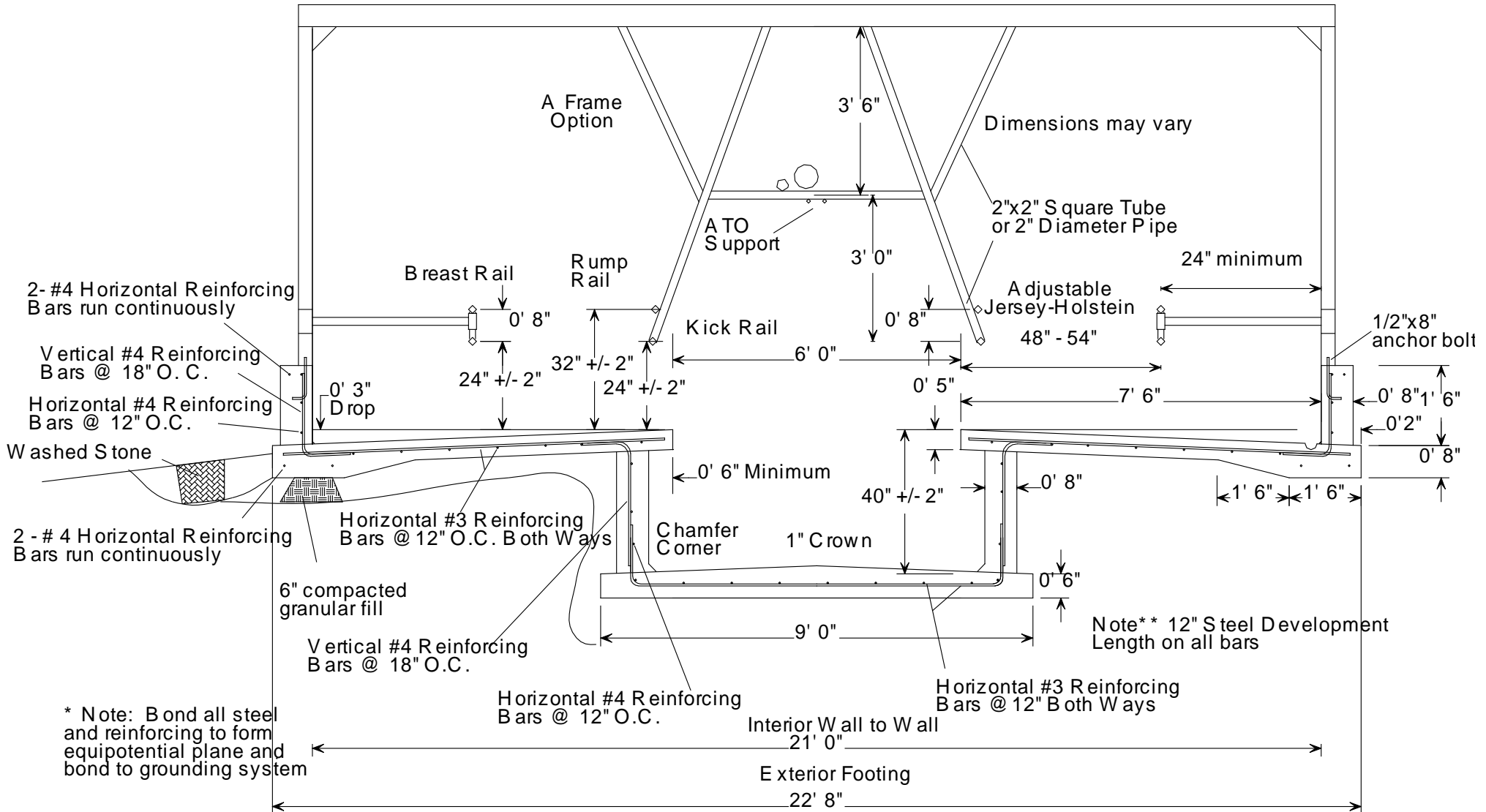
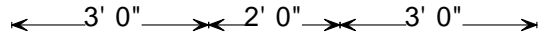


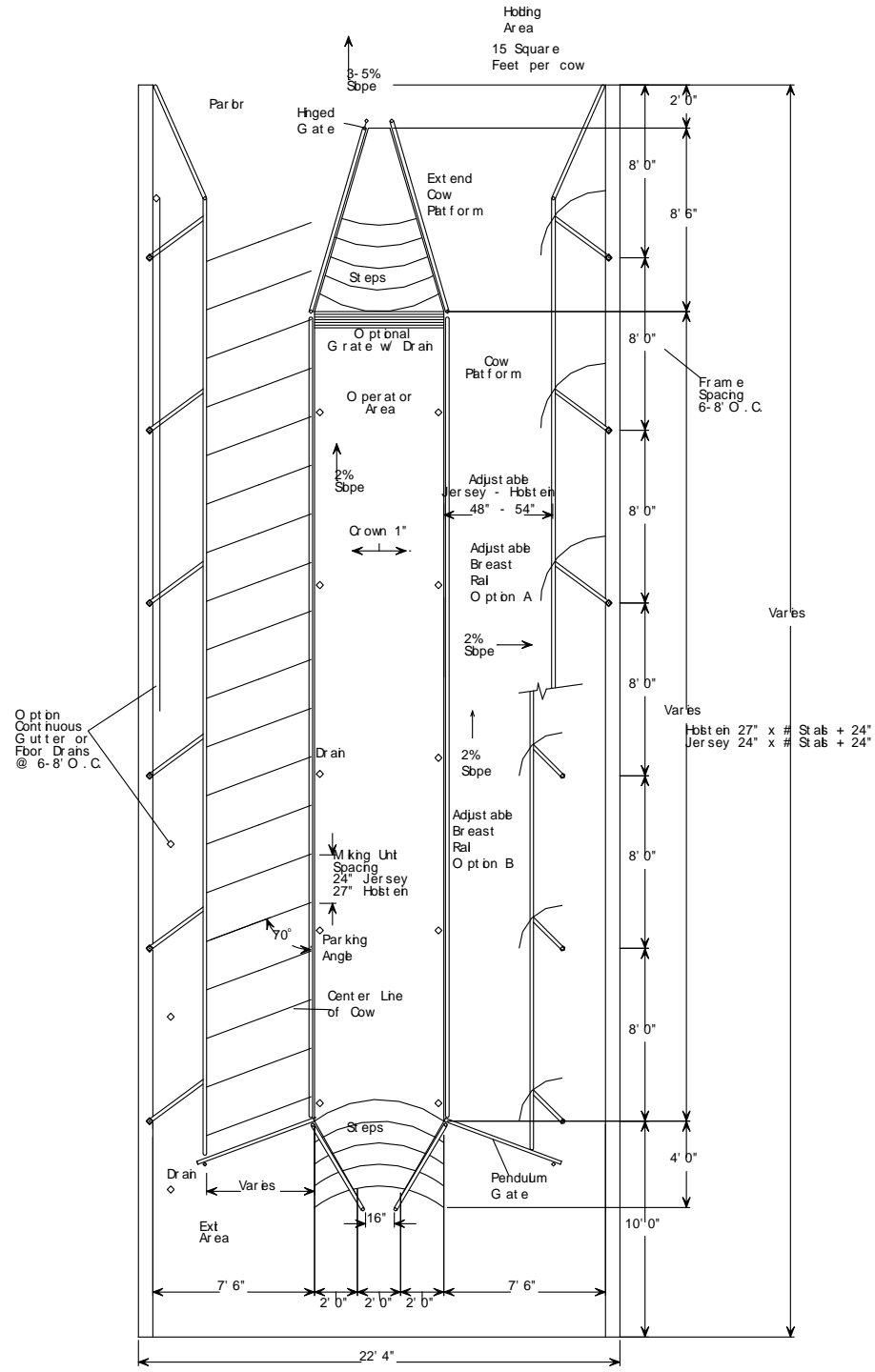
# Milking Stall Choices

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- Home Built Parabone
- Local Dealer Built Parabone
- Economical Manufacturers Parabone
- Used Parlor Stall
- Front exit
- Side (Rapid) Exit

Frames Spaced  
@ 6' - 8' O.C. Typical







**Front Exit  
Home Built  
Parabone Stall**





**Dealer Built  
Parabone Stall**



**Manufactured  
Parabone "S"  
Rail Stall**



**Manufactured  
Front Exit  
Parabone  
Stall**

**Used  
Rapid Side Exit  
Herringbone  
Stall**



**New  
Rapid Side Exit  
Parallel Stall**





**New  
Side Exit Stall**



**Swing Exit  
Gate**

# Chop Exit Gates





# Chop Exit Gates



# Swing Entry Gates





**Holding Area**



**Holding Area**



**Crowd Gate  
(Homemade)**



**Crowd Gate  
(Homemade)**



**Crowd Gate  
(Economical)**



**Crowd Gate**  
**Swing gate**





**Crowd gates  
(Economical)**

# Milking System Design Choices

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- Milk Line Location
  - High Line Swing Equipment
  - Low Line Double Equipment
- Receiver group Location
  - In milk house
  - In parlor
- Milking Unit Storage and Cleaning
  - In milk house
  - In parlor
- Automatic Takeoffs
  - Reuse Tie Stall Barn ATO
  - Rope ATO
  - Arm ATO

# High Milk Line





Low  
Milk Line



**High Line  
Receiver Group  
in Milk House**

The image shows a complex industrial setup for milk collection in a milk house. A central feature is a large, white, vertically-oriented receiver tank with a ribbed body and a circular opening at the top. This tank is connected to a network of pipes and hoses. A prominent feature is a 'High Line' consisting of a horizontal metal pipe with several vertical branches, each equipped with a valve and a hose. The hoses are mostly black and are bundled together. There are also blue vertical pipes and various electrical components, including what appear to be solenoid valves. In the background, a shelf holds several plastic jugs, and a green pipe with red-handled valves is visible. A warning sign is posted on the wall to the left of the receiver tank.



**High Line  
Receiver Group  
in Milk House**



**Low Line  
Receiver Group  
in Parlor**



**High Line  
Receiver Group  
in Parlor**





**No Clean in Place**



**No Clean in  
Place**



**Clean In Place**



**Clean in place**



**Clean in  
Place**



**No Automatic  
Takeoff**



**No Automatic  
Takeoff**



**No Automatic  
Takeoff**





**Automatic  
Takeoff  
Slider**



**Automatic  
Takeoff  
Slider**



**Automatic  
Takeoff Swing**



**Automatic  
Takeoff Swing**



# Automatic Takeoff Swing

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**Drainage**



**Drainage**

**Drainage**





# Plastic Liner



# Tile Liner

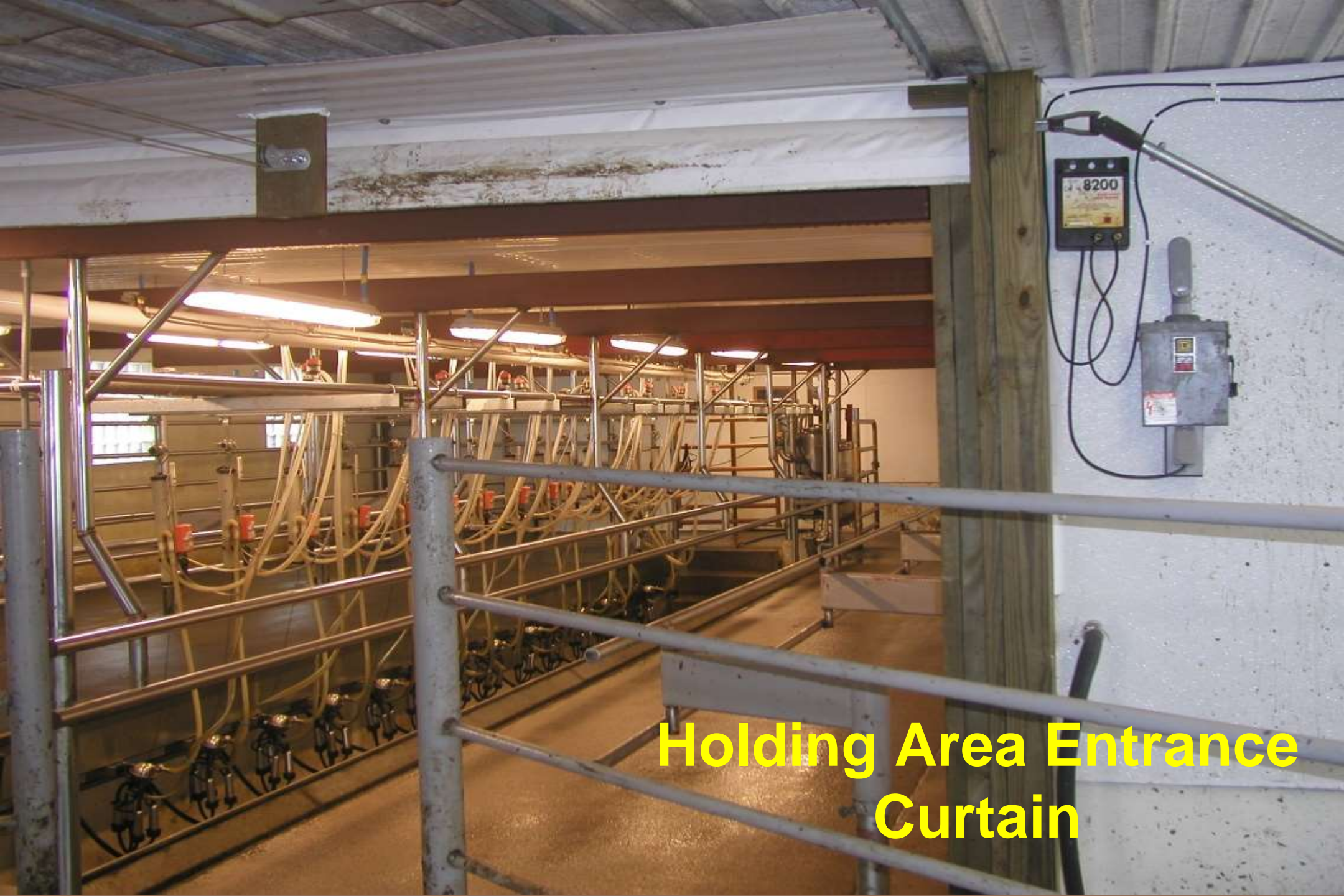




**Stainless and  
Plastic Liner**

A photograph of a holding area entrance. The area is enclosed by metal railings with four horizontal bars. The walls are white and appear to be made of a heavy material, possibly a curtain or tarp. The ceiling is made of corrugated metal. On the right wall, there is an electrical meter labeled '200' and a grey electrical control box. A large, dark, circular fan is visible in the lower right corner. The floor is made of dark, slatted material. The text 'Holding Area Entrance Curtain' is overlaid in yellow at the bottom of the image.

**Holding Area Entrance  
Curtain**



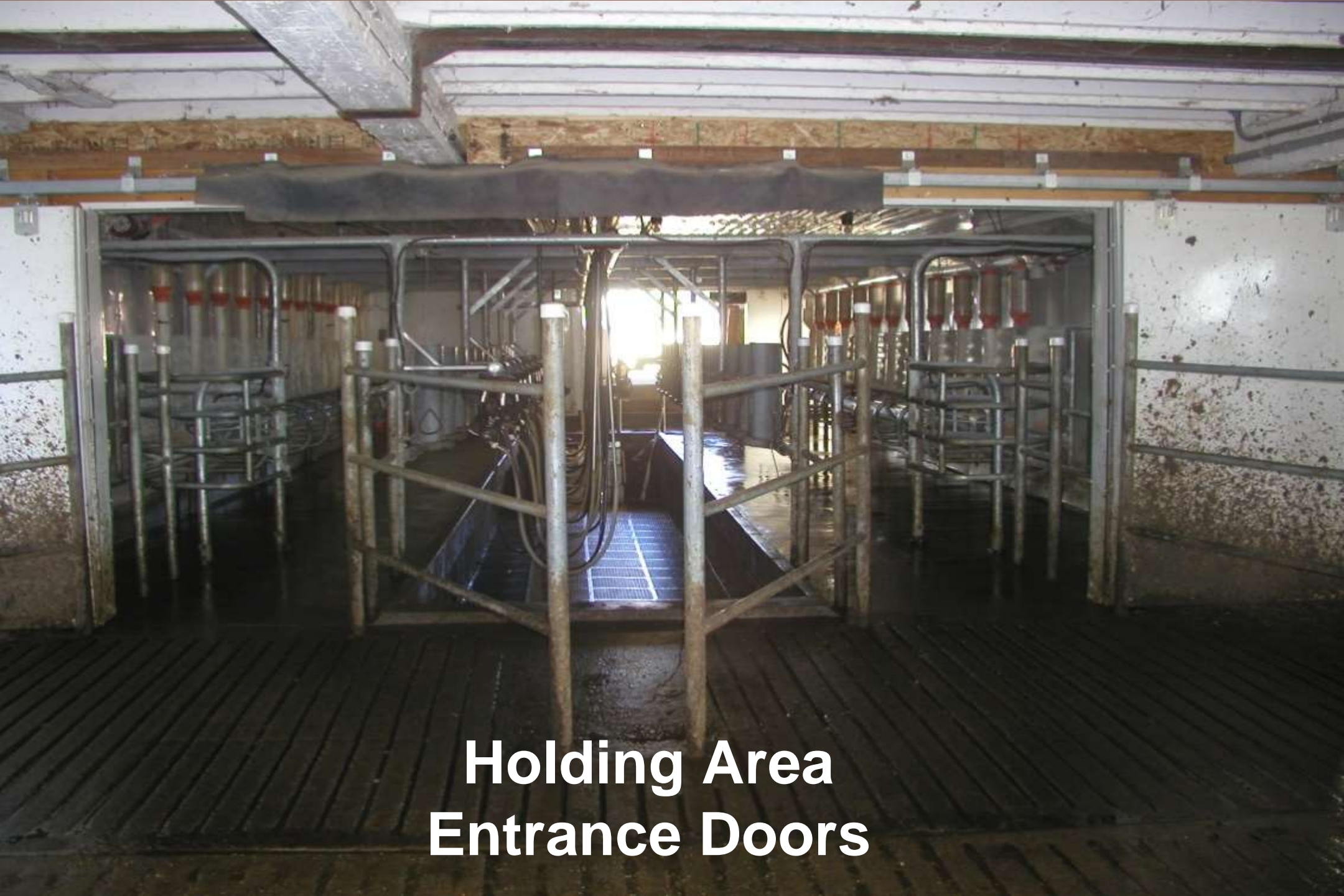
**Holding Area Entrance  
Curtain**



**Holding Area Entrance  
Curtain**



**Holding Area  
Entrance Doors**



**Holding Area  
Entrance Doors**



# Lighting



# Lighting



# Lighting



# Lighting



# Cattle Handling Palpation Chute





**Cattle Handling  
Stanchion**

# Cattle Handling Management Rail



# Parlor Waste





# Parlor Waste



# Parlor Waste



# Milk House



Minimal Changes

# Milk House



Minimal Changes



**Goodbye!**