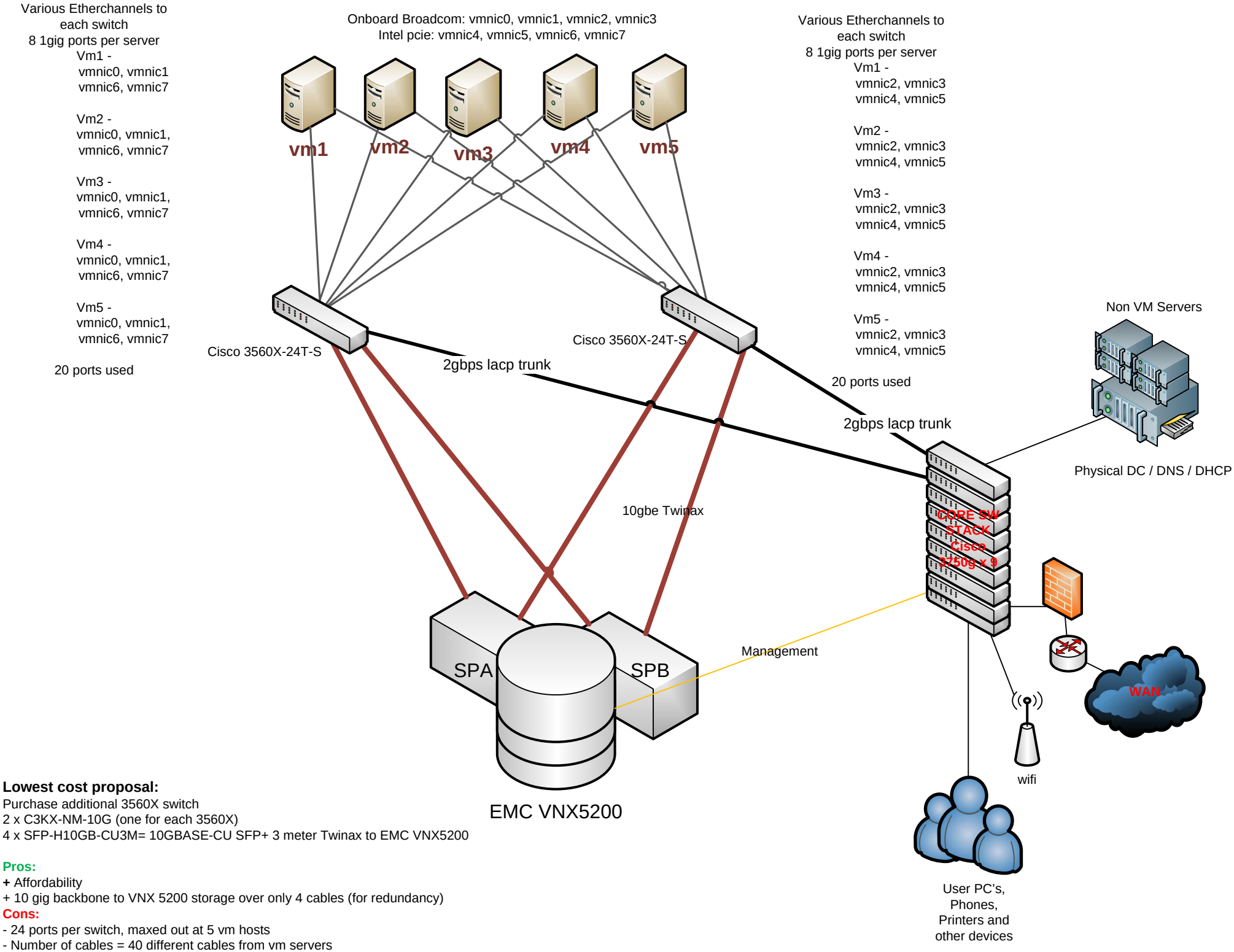

Lowest cost proposal:
Purchase additional 3560X switch
2 x C3KX-NM-10G (one for each 3560X)
4 x SFP-H10GB-CU3M= 10GBASE-CU SFP+ 3 meter Twinax to EMC VNX5200

Pros:
+ Affordability
+ 10 gig backbone to VNX 5200 storage over only 4 cables (for redundancy)

Cons:
- 24 ports per switch, maxed out at 5 vm hosts
- Number of cables = 40 different cables from vm servers
- 1 gig storage connection from individual servers (2gig if LACP trunked – but VMWare's NFSv3 doesn't fully utilize multiple links)