

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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May 23, 2016

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

United States Army Corps of Engineers New Orleans District Attn: Regulatory Branch Post Office Box 60267 New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267

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Permit Application #: MVN 2006-4520 WB

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received by the District engineer for a Department of the Army permit to authorize the following pursuant to (**X**) Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or () Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

## WHARF AND BOATHOUSE IN PRIEN LAKE

NAME OF APPLICANT: Jamal Sager, 4513 Shelly Lane, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70605.

**LOCATION OF WORK**: Along the southeast bank of Prien Lake, in Lake Charles, Louisiana within Calcasieu Parish, as shown on the attached drawings.

<u>CHARACTER OF WORK</u>: Department of the Army (DA) permit time extension request to install and maintain a wharf and boathouse for recreational purposes. The proposed structures are to be located within an area approximately 203 feet long and 40 feet wide extending perpendicular and lakeward therefrom, as shown on the attached drawings. The original DA permit issued on April 11, 2007, was to install and maintain a wharf, boathouse, bulkhead and backfill located on Prien Lake. All fill deposition and bulkhead construction has been completed. There are no changes or additional wetland impacts associated with completing construction of the wharf and boat house, therefore, compensatory mitigation is not proposed.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit will close <u>15 days</u> from the date of this joint public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this permit and must be submitted so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters concerning the Corps of Engineers permit application must reference the applicant's name and the

Permit Application Number, and be forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH**.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, Indian Tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The New Orleans District is unaware of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places near the proposed work. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific,-prehistorical, historical sites, or data. Issuance of this public notice solicits input from State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

The New Orleans District has determined that the proposed project is located in waters known to be utilized by the West Indian Manatee and determined that the proposed activity is not likely to adversely affect the species based on the Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species of Louisiana (SLOPES), dated October 22, 2014, between the U.S. Army corps of Engineers and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Office.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would neither affect any species listed as endangered by the U.S. Department of Interior nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species.

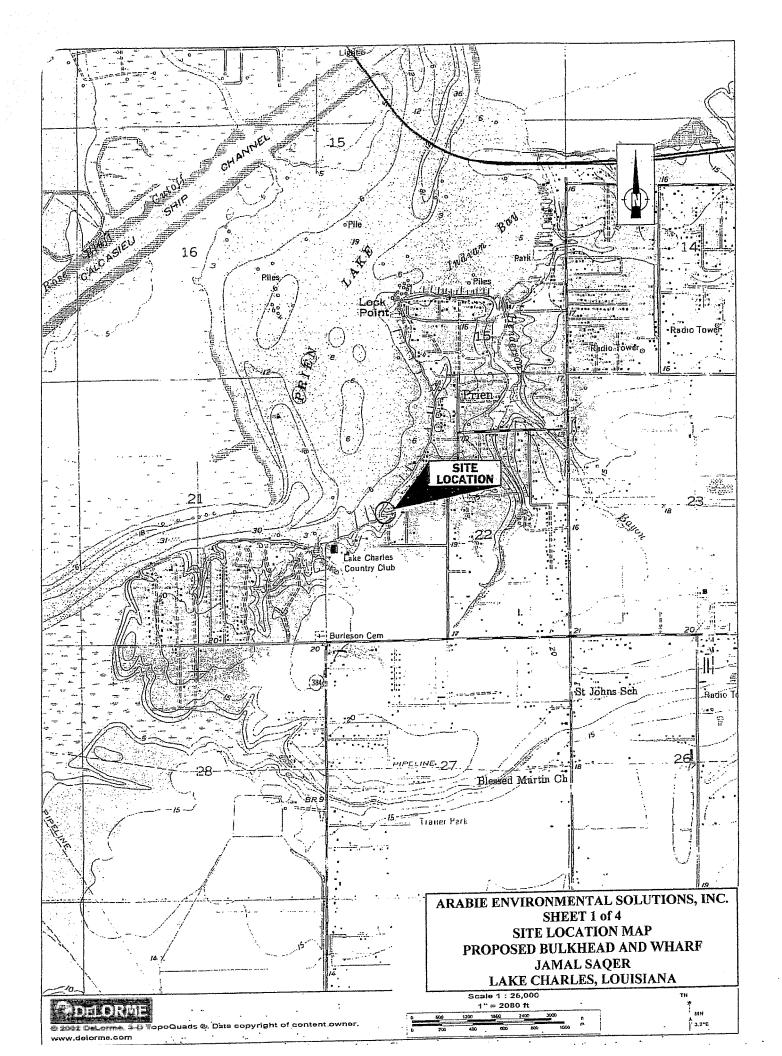
This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnus-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of <u>0</u> acre(s) of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial adverse impact on EFH or federally managed fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico. Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

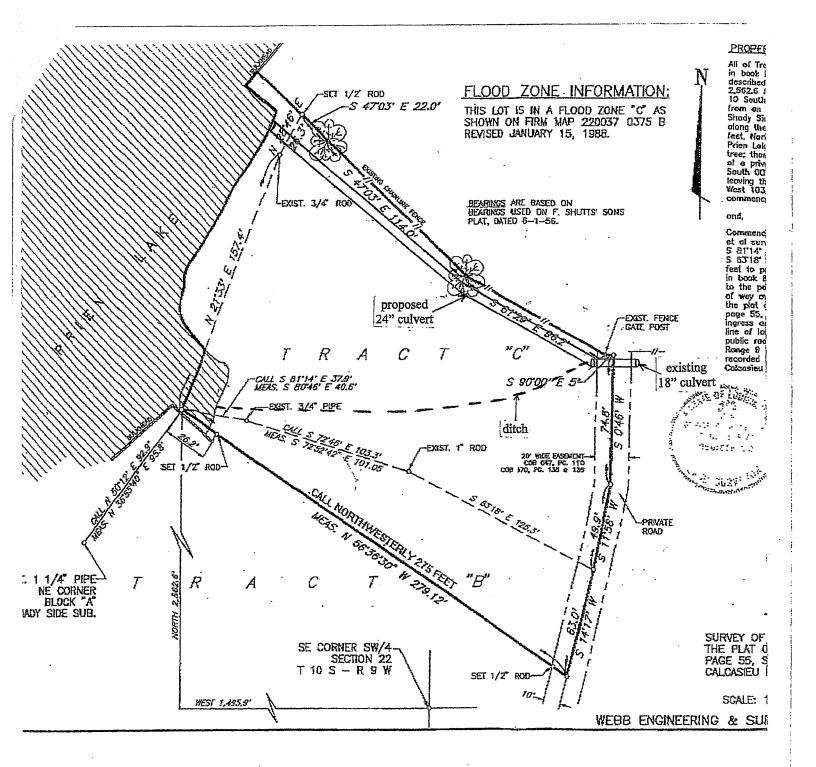
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Darrell S. Barbara Chief, Western Evaluation Section Regulatory Branch

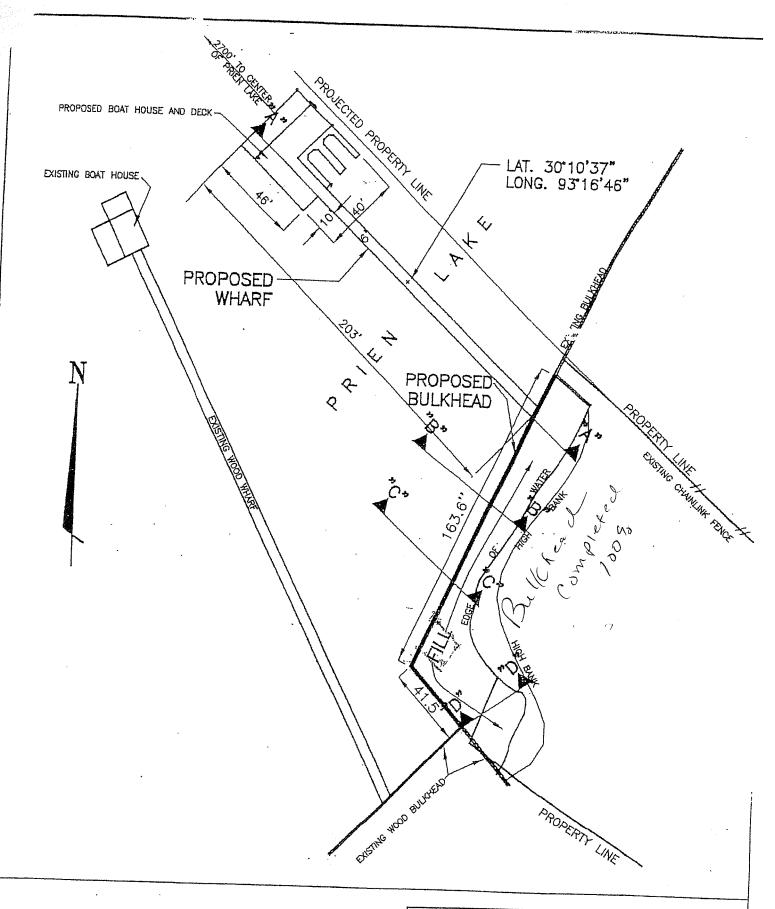
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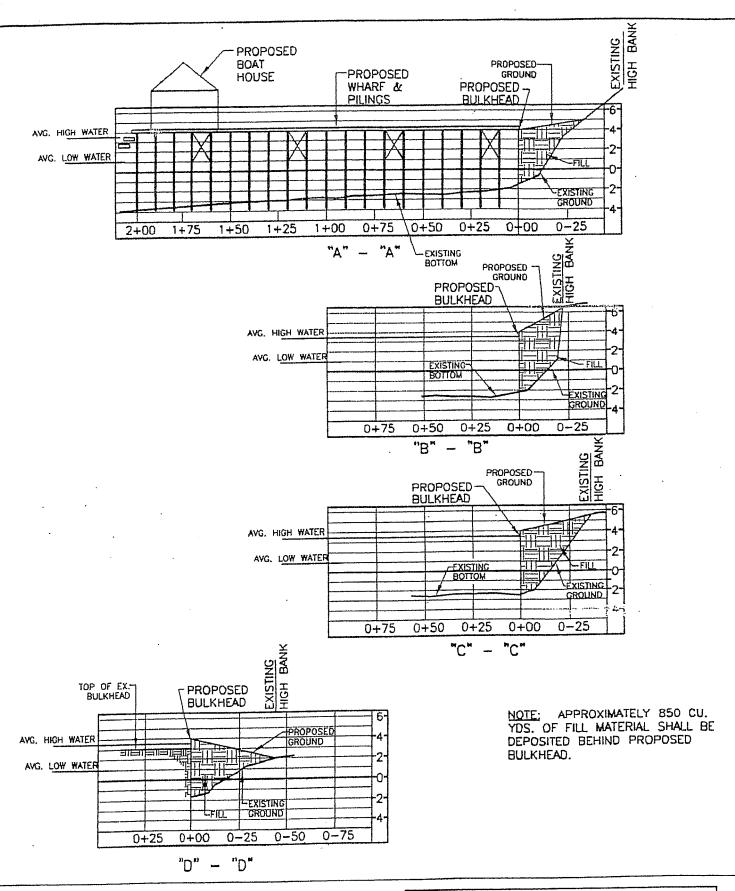


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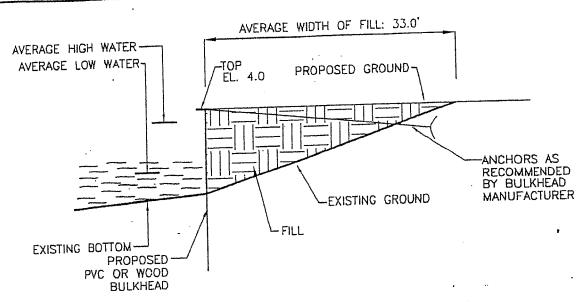
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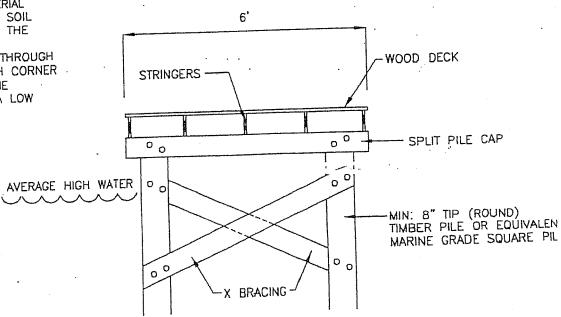


## TYPICAL SECTION BULKHEAD AND ANCHOR

NOTES:

1. LENGTH AND SIZE OF BULKHEAD
SHEETS AND OTHER COMPONENTS
SHALL BE DETERMINED BY CONTRACTOR
AND BULKHEAD MANUFACTURER TO
CONSTRUCT A SAFE, SOUND BULKHEAD.
2. IF JOINTS IN BULKHEAD CAN LEAK,
INSTALL A FILTER CLOTH MATERIAL
ACROSS JOINTS TO KEEP THE SOIL
FROM WASHING OUT THROUGH THE
JOINTS.

3. INSTALL A DRAINAGE PIPE THROUGH THE BULKHEAD AT THE SOUTH CORNER OF THE BULKHEAD TO LET THE DRAINAGE WATER OUT FROM A LOW AREA BEHIND THE BULKHEAD.



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