

# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

November 10, 2014

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MVN 2014-2598-EPP

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Project Manager  
Elizabeth Johnson  
WQC Application Number  
WQC 141105-02

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to: [ ] Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

Application has also been made to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Certifications, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in LRS30:2047 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

## **SINGLE-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT (SIMPSON FARMS) IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** David Webber of Webber Companies, c/o Hydrick Wetlands Consultants, 2323 Highway 190 East, Suite 2, Hammond, Louisiana 70401.

**LOCATION OF WORK:** Project is located on a 51.27 acre parcel, on Penn Mill Road, north of LA Highway 190, west of Covington, Louisiana, in St. Tammany Parish, as shown on the attached drawings.

Latitude: 30.509793/Longitude: -90.156512 Hydrologic Unit Code: 08090201 –Liberty Bayou-Tchefuncta.

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** Clear, grade, excavate, and fill to construct a single-family residential development consisting of: open roadside ditch drainage, 2 detention ponds, walking path, athletic field, and clubhouse. Approximately 2.52 acres of jurisdictional wetlands and 0.82 acre of other waters of the U.S. will be directly impacted by the proposed activity. The applicant proposed to contract with an approved mitigation bank in order to offset the adverse impact to jurisdictional wetlands.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **20 days** 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/or this WQC request and must be mailed 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 mailed to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH. Similar letters concerning the Water Quality Certification must reference the applicant's name and the WQC Application number and be mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality at the address above. Individuals or parties may request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by writing or e-mailing the Corps of Engineers Project Manager listed above. Any request must be specific and substantively supportive of the requested extension, and received by this office prior to the end of the initial comment period. The Section Chief will review the request and the requestor will be promptly notified of the decision to grant or deny the request. If granted, the time extension will be continuous to the initial comment period and, inclusive of the initial comment period, will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days.**

The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined during weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Copies may be obtained upon payment of costs of reproduction.

### **Corps of Engineers Permit Criteria**

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, 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, considerations 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 make, 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 other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an 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 the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of **3.34** acres 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.

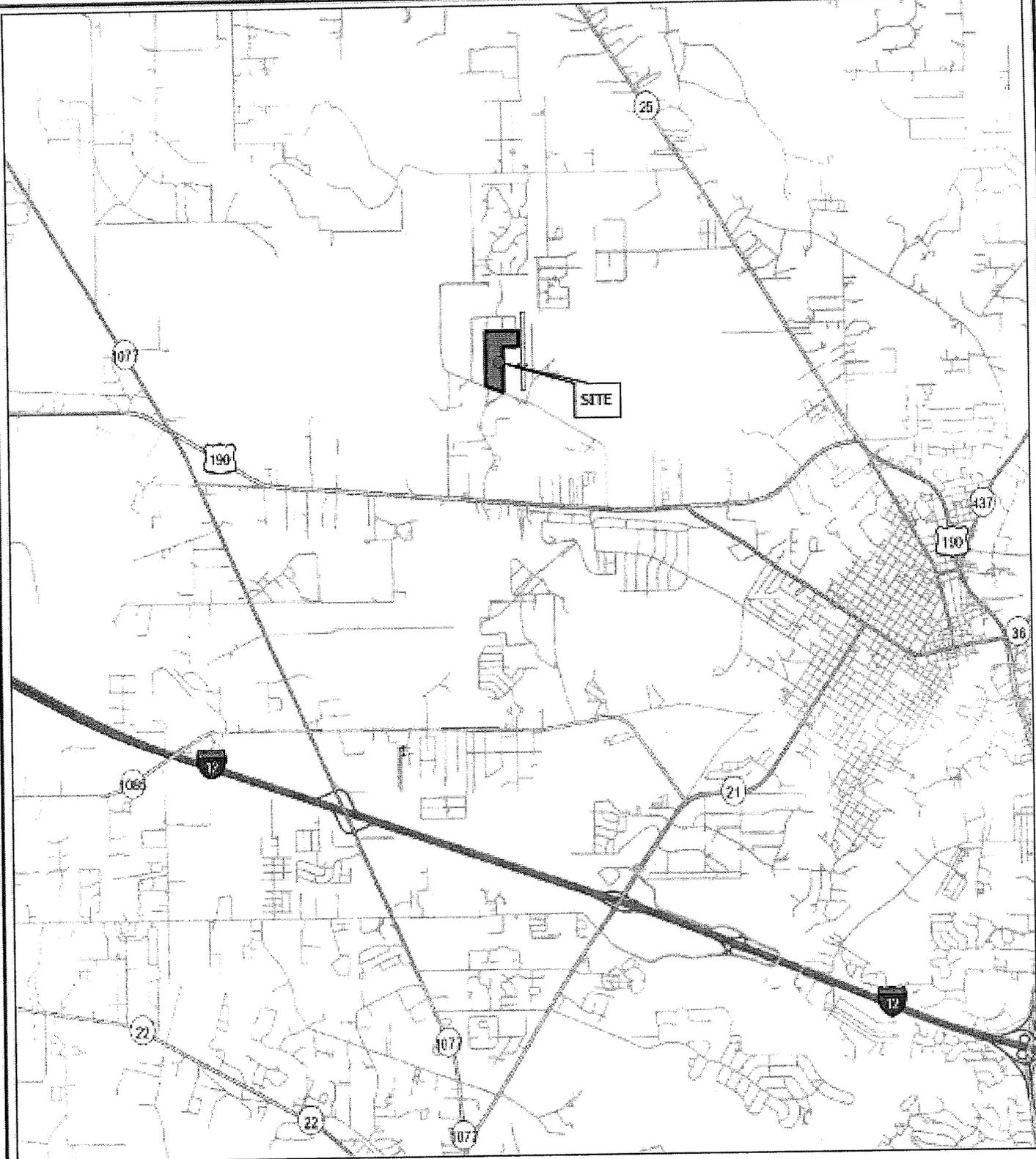
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Certifications, before a permit is issued.

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.

Michael V. Farabee  
Chief, Eastern Evaluation Section

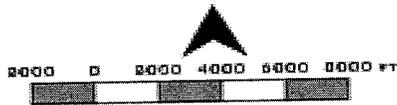
Enclosure



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 COVINGTON, LA  
 51.27 ACRES

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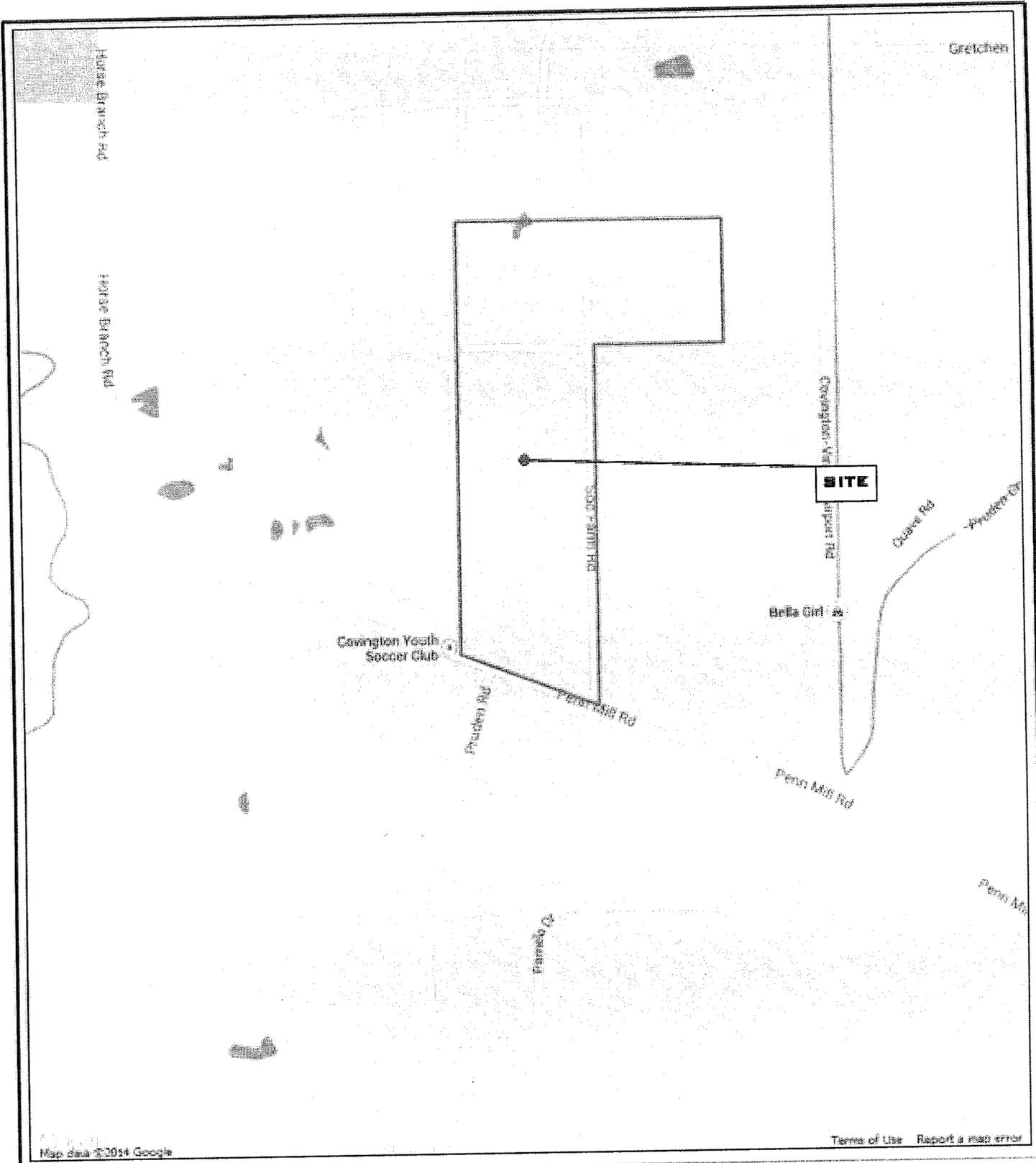
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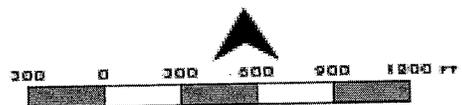
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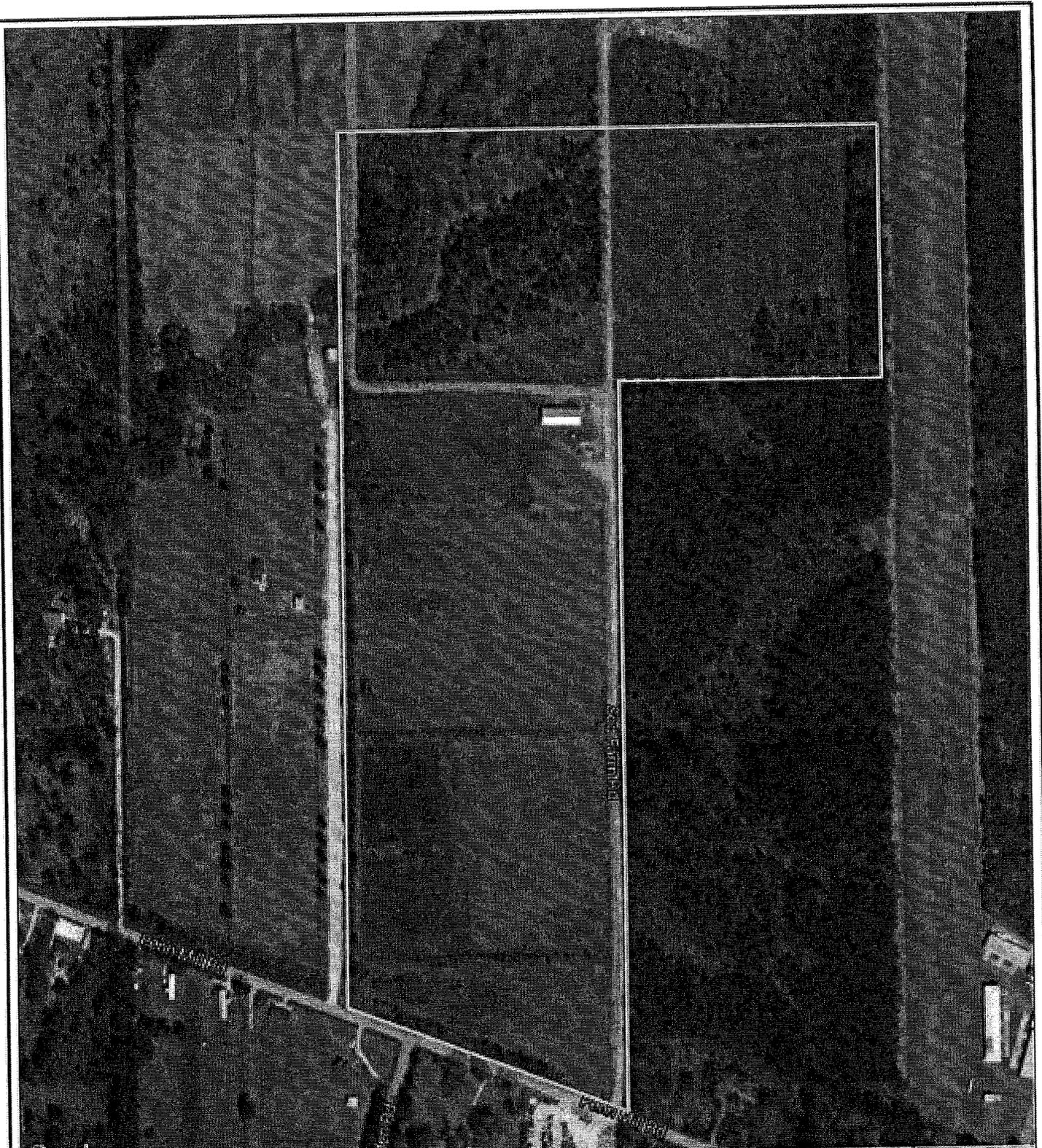
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**FIGURE**  
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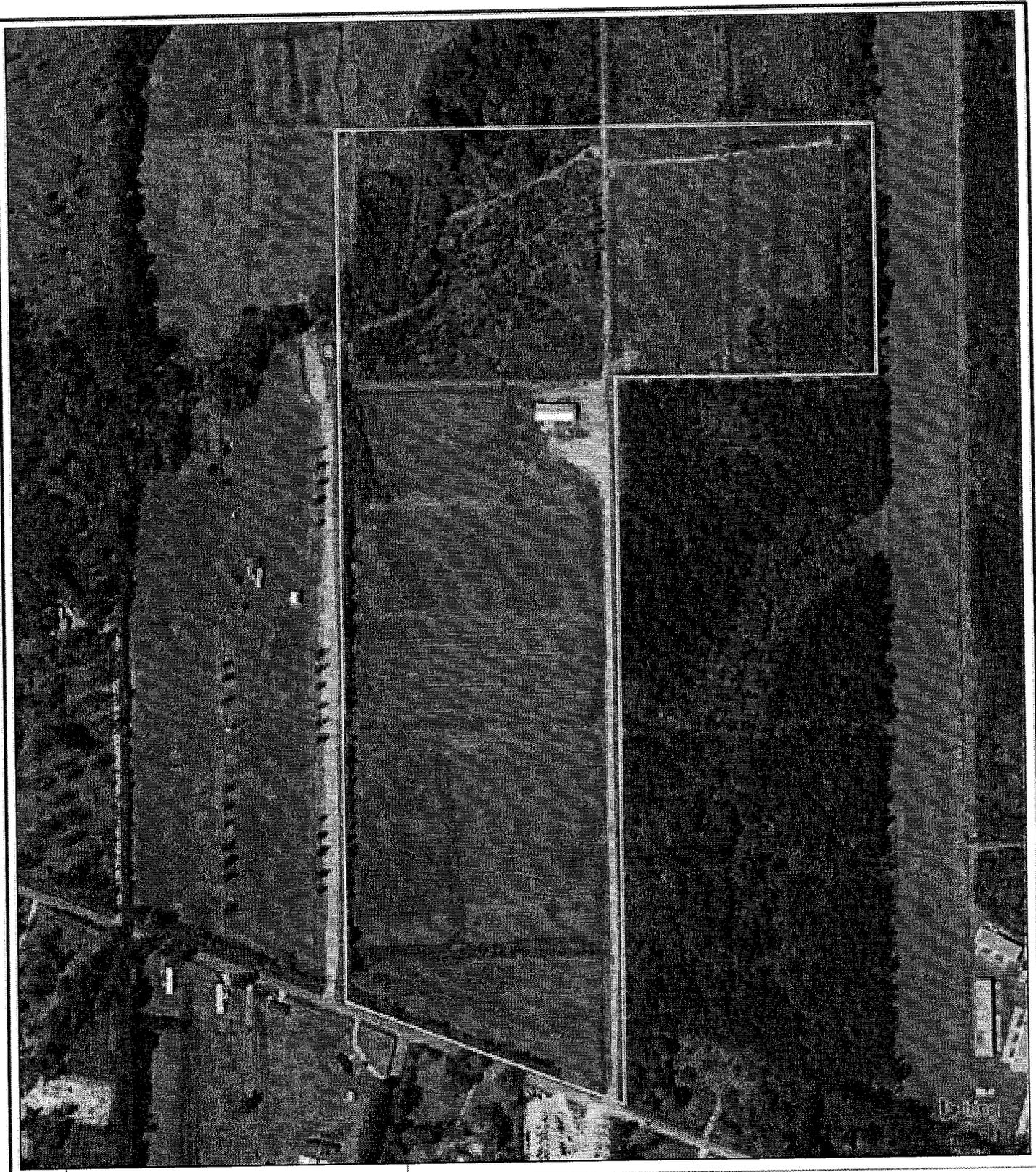
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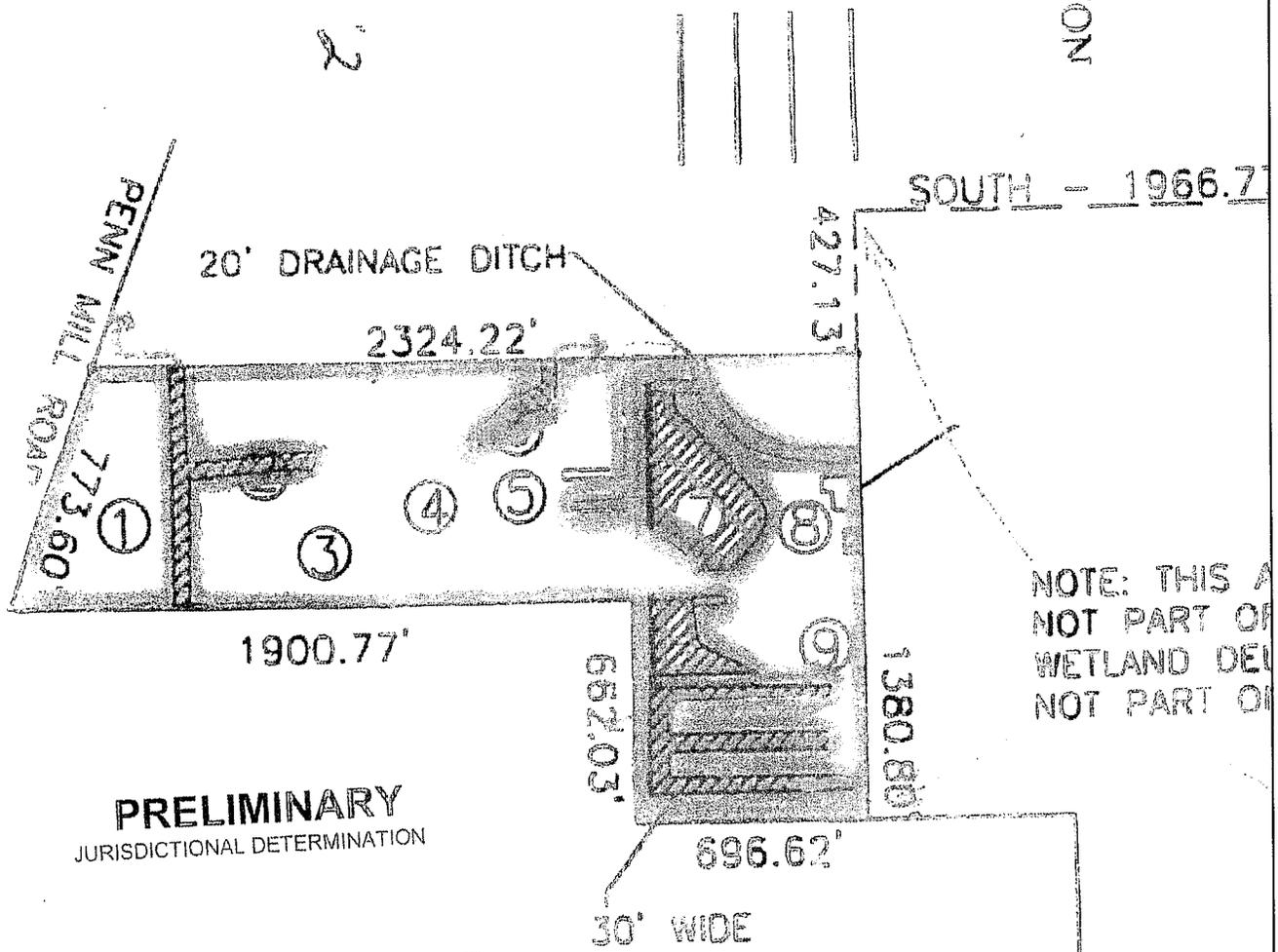
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**PRELIMINARY**  
JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION

<b>USACE</b>	
FSV (IH)	Date: 2/7/12
Botanist: WINDHAM	
Requestor: COUDET	
# MVN- 2012 - 00247-SK	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> - WETLAND (prelim 404)	
<input type="checkbox"/> - NON-WETLAND	
<input type="checkbox"/> - WATERS OF THE US (prelim 404)	

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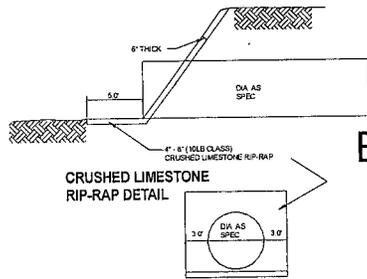
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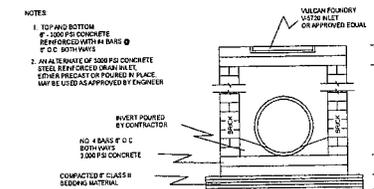
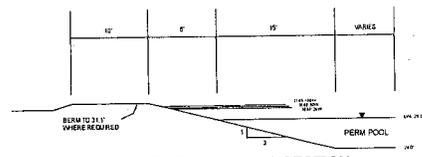
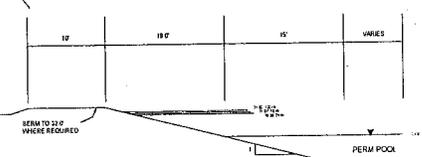
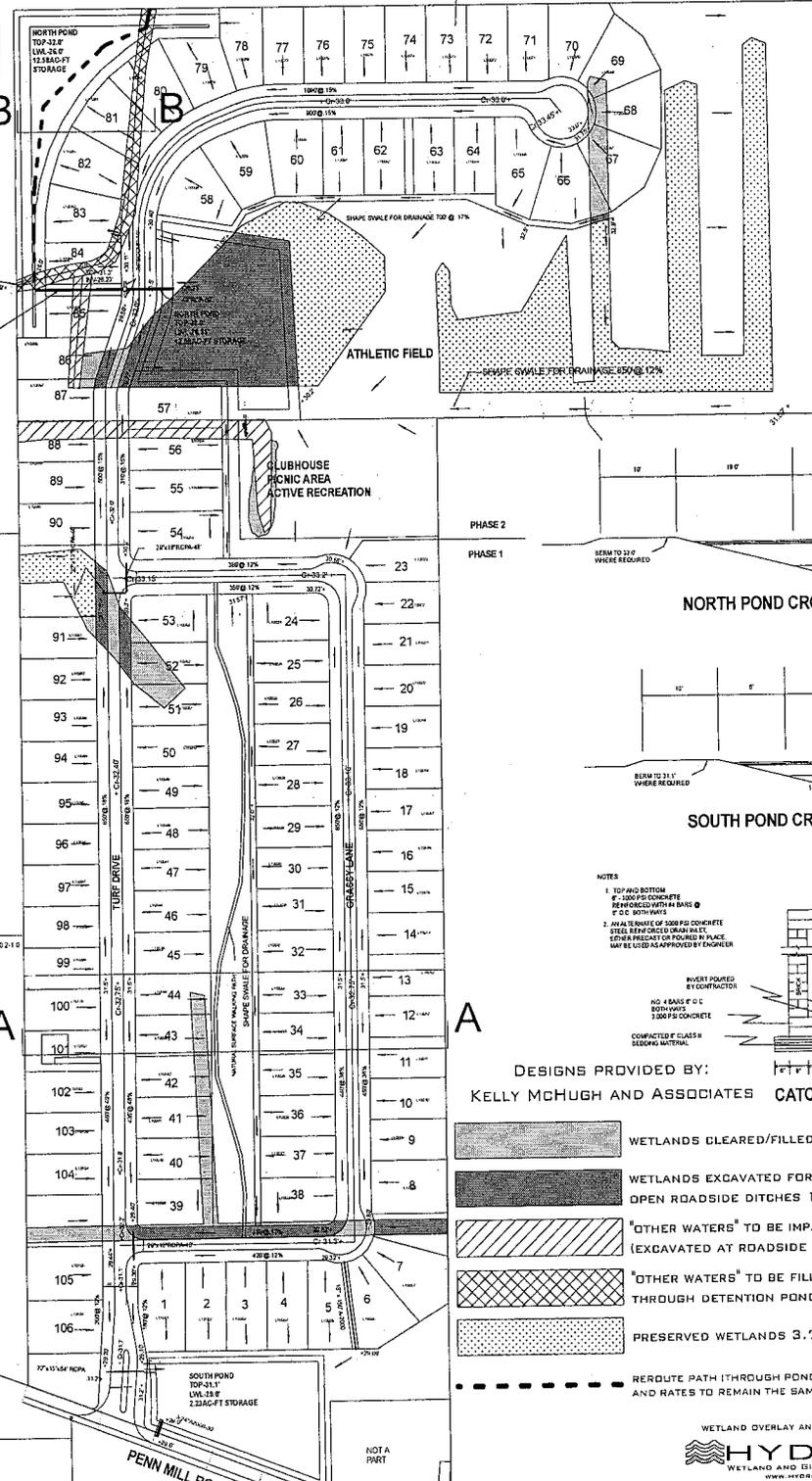
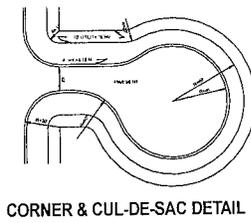
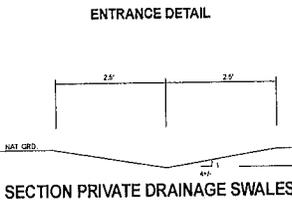
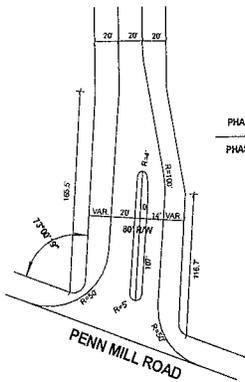
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ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LA  
SECTION 404 PERMIT APPLICATION**

FILL THIS AREA TO PROPOSED BASE FLOOD ELEVATION  
(6 INCHES TO 1 FOOT FILL REQUIRED)  
ALL EXCAVATED MATERIAL TO BE USED AS FILL



OUTLET  
2.48" BCCMP-40"  
WRIP RAP AT ENDS  
20' DRAINAGE R/W  
48" CMP-ULTRA FLO  
150 @ .15%

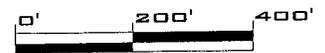
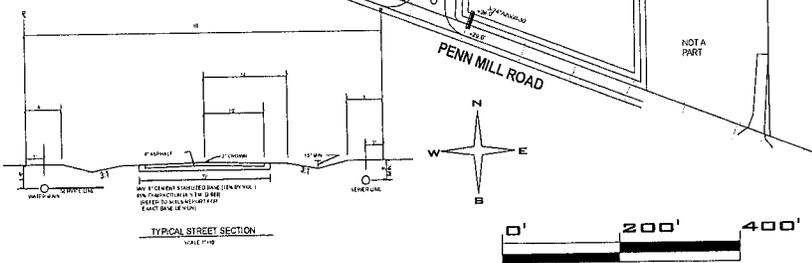


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- WETLANDS CLEARED/FILLED 0.81 ACRES
- WETLANDS EXCAVATED FOR DETENTION POND AND OPEN ROADSIDE DITCHES 1.71 ACRES
- "OTHER WATERS" TO BE IMPACTED 0.51 ACRES (EXCAVATED AT ROADSIDE DITCH)
- "OTHER WATERS" TO BE FILLED AND REDROUTED THROUGH DETENTION POND 0.31 ACRES
- PRESERVED WETLANDS 3.7 ACRES
- REDROUTE PATH (THROUGH POND, INFLOW AND OUTFLOW POINT AND RATES TO REMAIN THE SAME)

WETLAND OVERLAY AND CALCULATIONS:  
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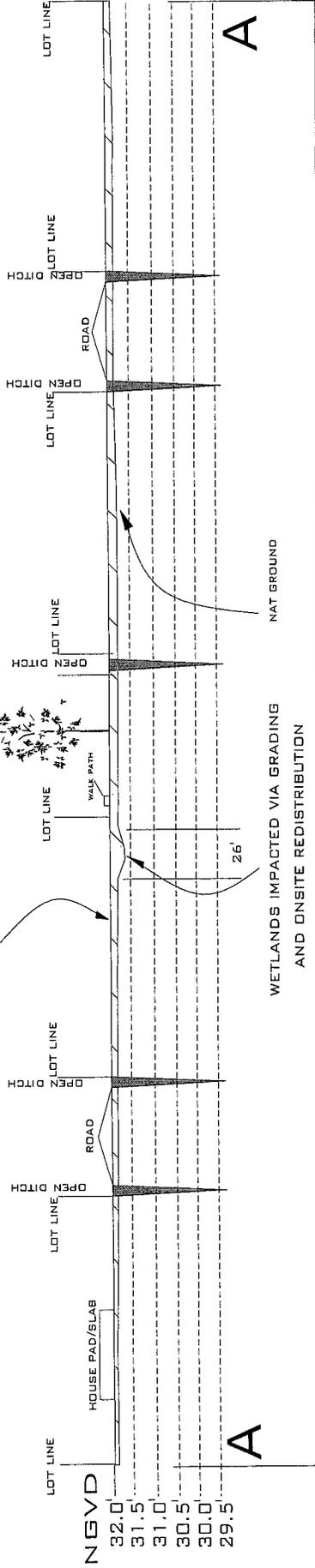
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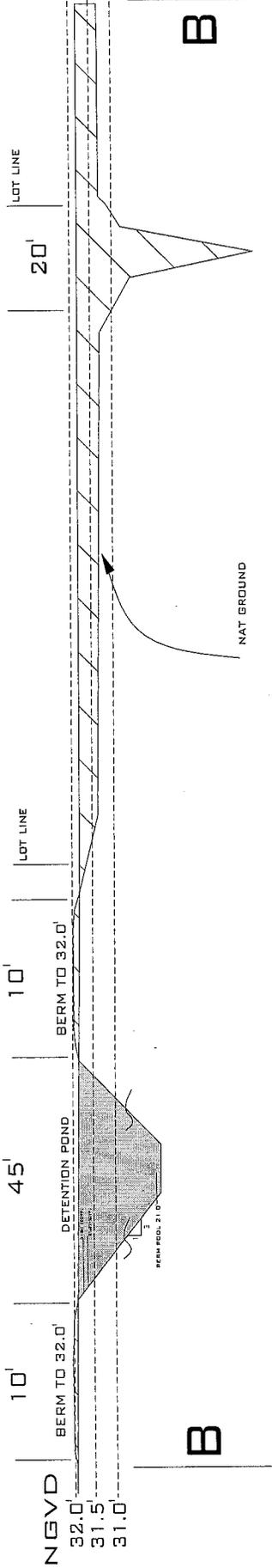
PROPOSED GRADE FROM SITE GRADING  
 AND ON SITE REDISTRIBUTION



731'

# SECTION B-B

EXISTING DITCH TO BE FILLED  
 AND FLOW REDIRECTED THROUGH DETENTION POND



237'



CLEAN SILT FROM ON SITE  
 GRADING AND REDISTRIBUTION



HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL SCALES AS LABELED

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