

# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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WQC Application Number  
WQC 150423-03

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: [X] 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, Office of Environmental Services, 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).

## **MAINTENANCE DREDGING IN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER IN EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** McKinney Fleet and Barge Services, Inc., c/o Gulf South Engineering & Testing, Inc., 2201 Aberdeen Street, Suite B, Kenner, Louisiana 70062.

**LOCATION OF WORK:** Within the Mississippi River Basin, in the Lower Mississippi River – Baton Rouge hydrologic unit (HUC 08070100), in the Mississippi River, left descending bank, approximately 228.6 miles above the Head of Passes, near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish, as shown on the enclosed drawings.

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** The applicant proposes to perform maintenance dredging to allow access to an existing dock in the Mississippi River. Approximately 4,500 cubic yards of River silt will be removed from a 2.8-acre area by a bucket dredge. The dredge material will be placed on barge and moved to the disposal site, where it will be deposited below the -55 foot contour. Dredging operations are expected to occur twice a year and last two weeks. No vegetated wetlands will be impacted by the proposed activity.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **30 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** 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. The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined 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.

Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species in Louisiana (SLOPES), dated October 22, 2014, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers , New Orleans and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service , Ecological Services Office is being coordinated with the applicant relative to pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*). Approximately 2.8 acres of pallid sturgeon foraging habitat will be directly impacted by the proposed activity. Because dredging will occur via bucket dredge, the Corps has determined that this activity is not likely to adversely affect the pallid sturgeon.

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 **N/A 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, Office of Environmental Services, 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.

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Enclosure



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Date: 11/07/2014

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14-510



McKinney Fleet & Barge  
Maintenance Dredging  
MR, LDB, MP 228  
Baton Rouge, LA

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Aerial Map

Figure 1



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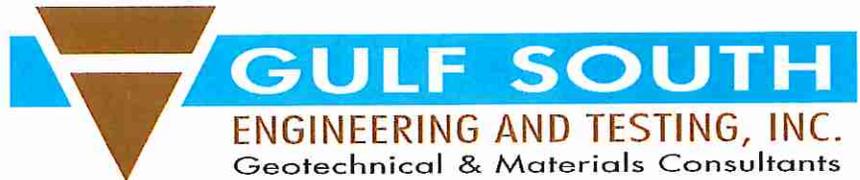


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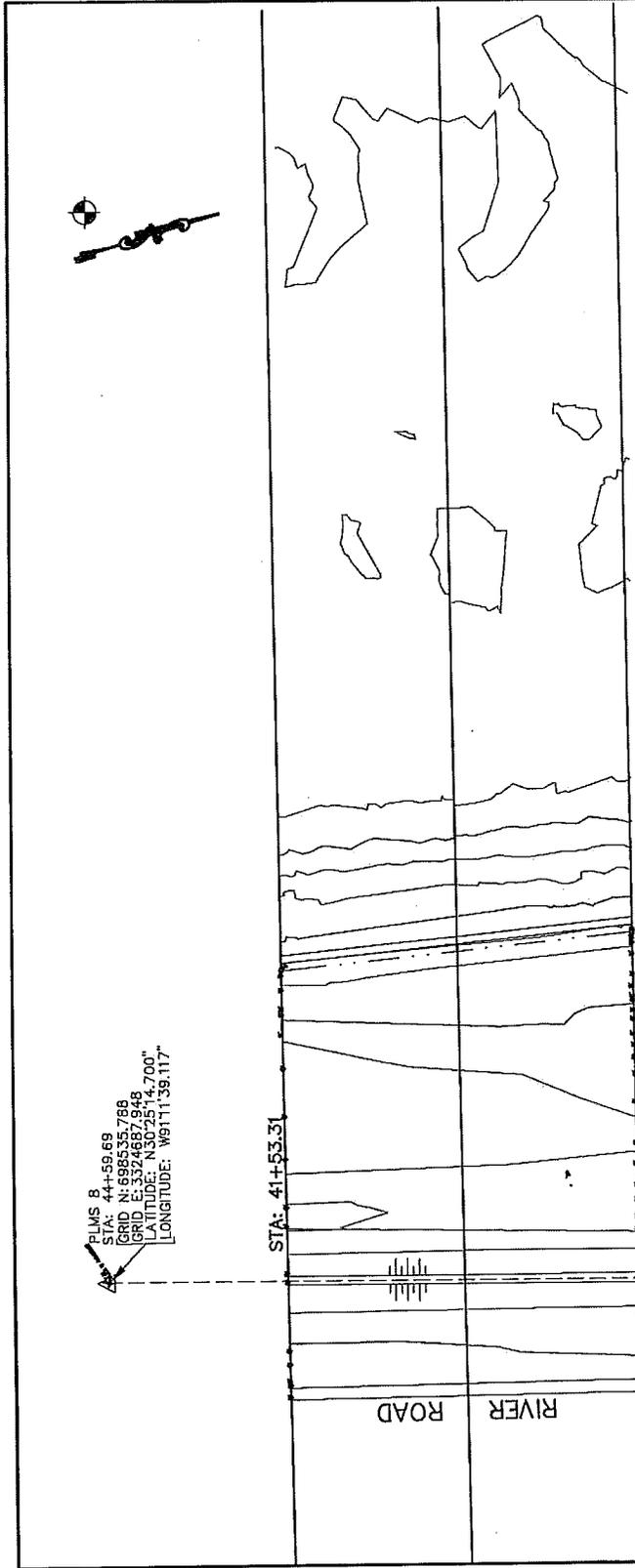
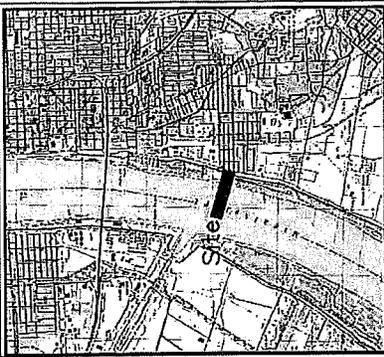


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**Site Plan**

**Figure 2**



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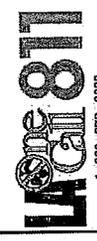
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C.O.E. Baseline

ROAD  
 RIVER

NOTES:



The Locations Of Underground And Other Non-Visible Utilities Shown Hereon Have Been Made Available To Us By Agencies Controlling Such Records. Where Found, The Surface Features Of Locations Are Shown. The Actual Non-Visible Locations May Vary From Those Shown. The Accuracy Of The Underground Information Prior To Any Reliance Upon The Accuracy Of Such Locations Shown Hereon, Including To Excavation And Digging,

There is no representation that all applicable servitudes and/or restrictions have been shown hereon. Any servitudes and/or restrictions shown on this plot are limited to those indicated in the description and/or information hereon. No warranty is made by the undersigned in compiling the data for this survey.

I certify that this plot represents an actual ground survey made by me, or by those under my direction, that no visible encroachments exist either way across the property lines except as shown hereon and that this survey, and plot, are in accordance with the adopted Louisiana Minimum Standards for Property Boundary Survey for a Class Survey.

This survey is PRELIMINARY. This survey shall not be used for construction, bidding, recordation, conveyance, sales or as the basis for the issuance of a permit.

GRAPHIC SCALE

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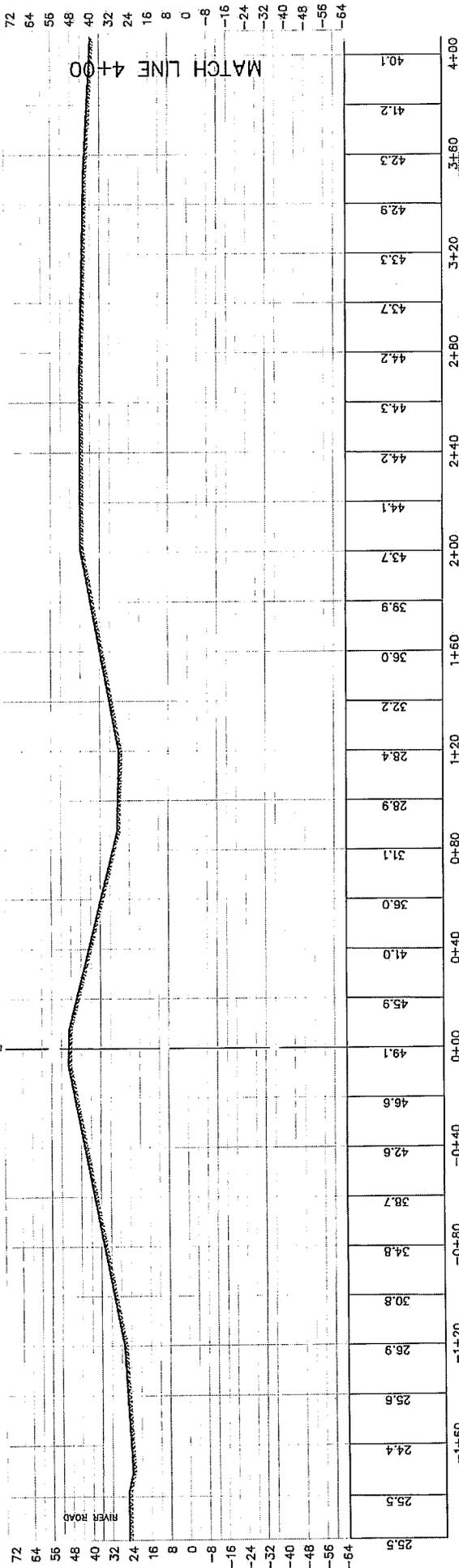
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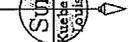
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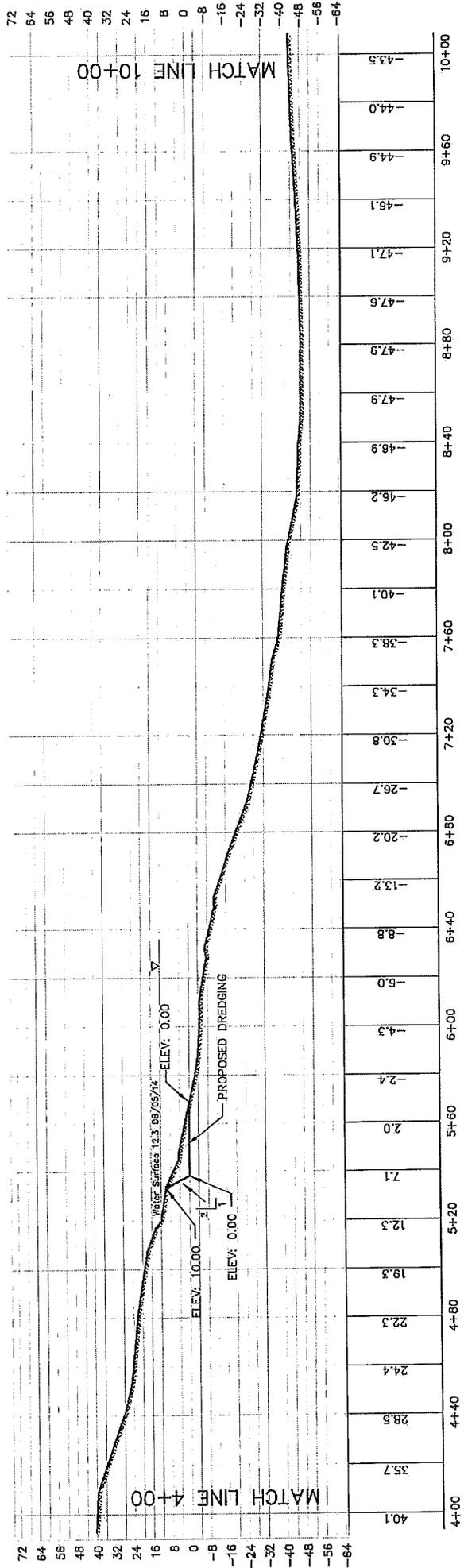
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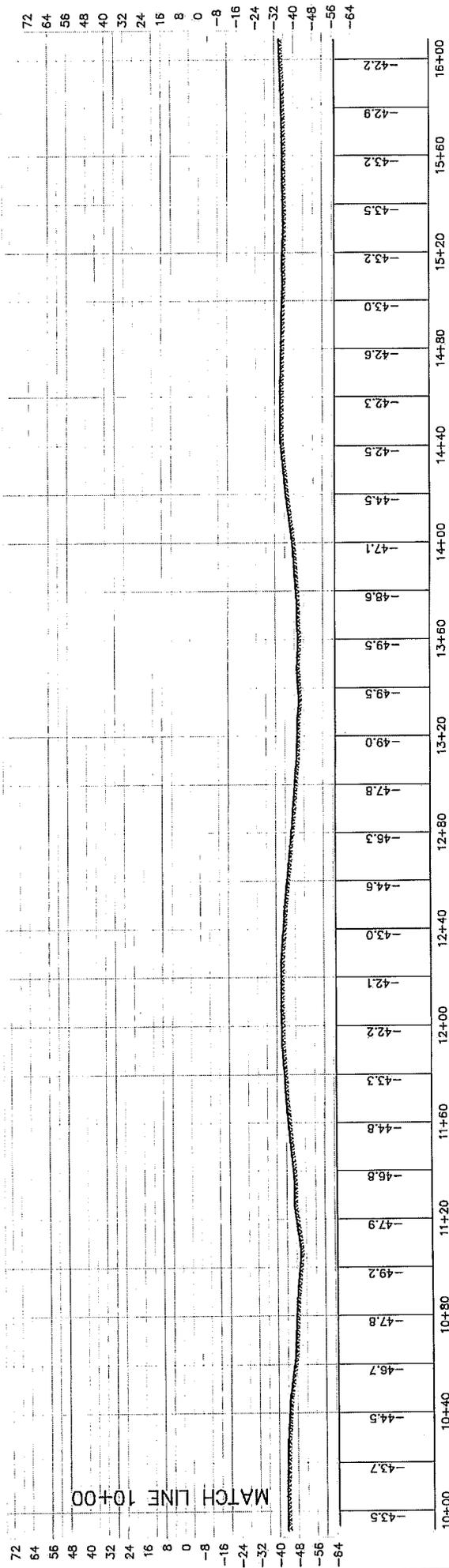
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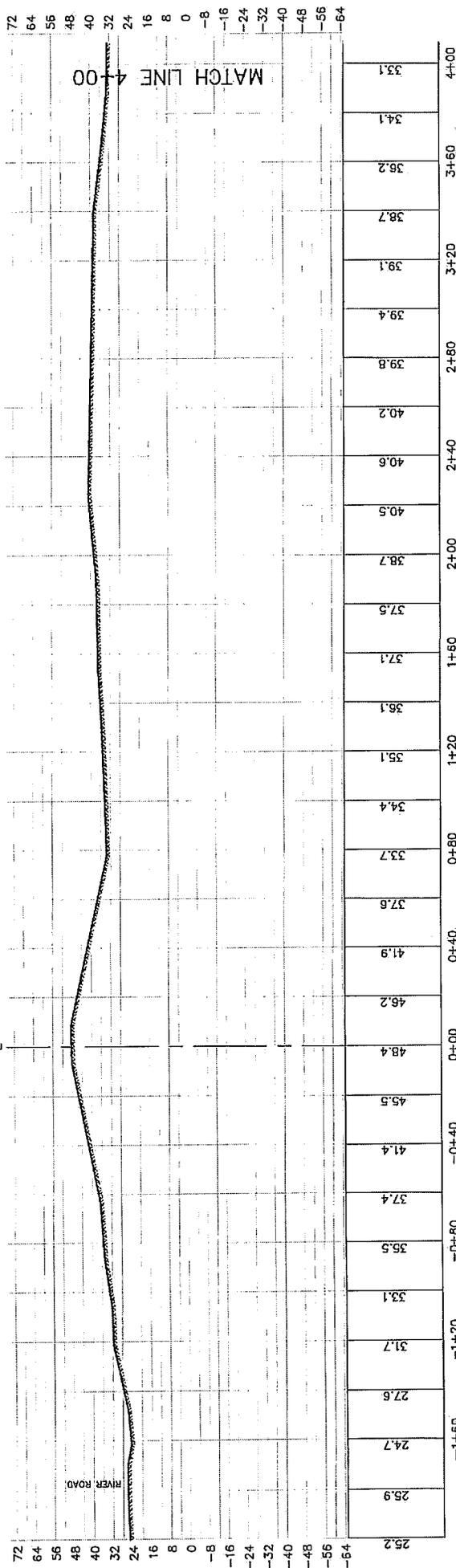
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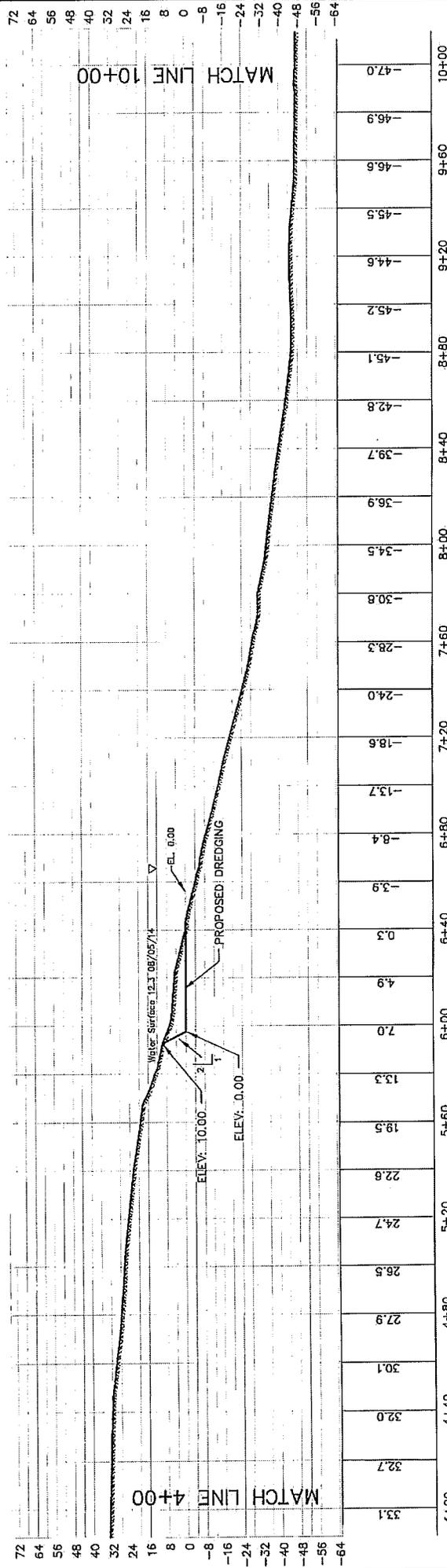
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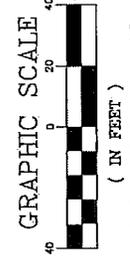
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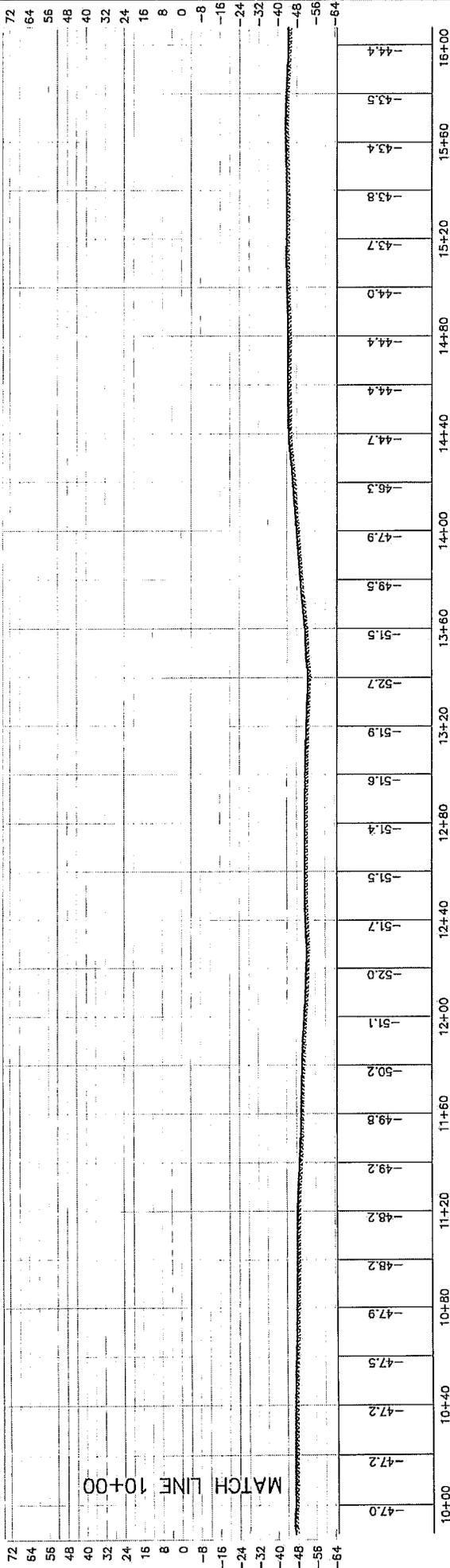
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