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Application #: MVN-2022-00200-EPP

PUBLIC NOTICE

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), and/or [] Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. Section 408)

SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE, ELEVATED WALKWAY, AND COVERED BOATHOUSE IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Bruce Barkerding, c/o Brandon Muller, 965 Beauregard Parkway, Covington, Louisiana 70433 or brandon_muller1@yahoo.com

LOCATION OF WORK: At approximately Latitude: 30.442914, Longitude: -90.115328, located within and along the Tchefuncte River, at Bogue Falaya Drive, in Covington, Louisiana, in St. Tammany Parish, as shown on the enclosed drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 08090201 Liberty Bayou-Tchefuncta).

CHARACTER OF WORK: Clear, grade, excavate, and fill to construct a 45' x 50' single-family residence and driveway and install and maintain a 134' x 5' elevated walkway, 165' bulkhead with backfill, and 39' x 50' covered boathouse. The applicant stated no clearing or grading is required for the elevated boardwalk. Trees shall be hand cut and maintained. Proposed covered boathouse shall be constructed via water utilizing barge mounted equipment. The project as proposed would directly impact approximately 0.047-acre of 10/404 wetland and non-wetland waters.

MITIGATION: Should mitigation be required, the applicant will purchase credits from a mitigation bank located within the watershed of impact.

The comment period on the requested Department of the Army Permit will close 20 days from the date of this 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 request, and must be submitted so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters and/or comments concerning the subject permit application must reference the Applicant's Name and the Permit Application Number and can be preferably emailed to the Corps of Engineer's project manager listed above or forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY DIVISION, RGE, Stephanie Castaing**. Individuals or parties may also request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by mail or preferably by emailing the specified project manager listed above. Any request for an extension of time to comment 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 Branch Chief will review the request and the requester will be promptly notified of the decision to grant or deny the request. If granted, the time extension will be continuous and inclusive of the initial comment period and will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days. This public notice is also available for review online at <https://go.usa.gov/xennJ>

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. Further, all factors that may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the potential cumulative effects associated with the proposed project.

The New Orleans District is presently unaware of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places at or near the proposed work but is pending further review in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, historical sites, or data. As deemed necessary, copies of this public notice will be sent to the State Archeologist, State Historic Preservation Officer, and federally listed tribes regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

The New Orleans District has determined that the activity will have no effect on the Gopher Tortoise, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, and the West Indian Manatee and not likely to adversely affect the Louisiana Quillwort, based on the Information Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool for Endangered Species in Louisiana, as signed on January 27, 2020, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal may result in the destruction, alteration, and/or disturbance of 0.047 acre 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 LA Department of Environmental Quality before a Department of the Army permit is issued.

Any person may request, (preferably by email to the project manager, or 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 invited to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Brad P. LaBorde
Chief, Eastern Evaluation Branch
Regulatory Division

Enclosures

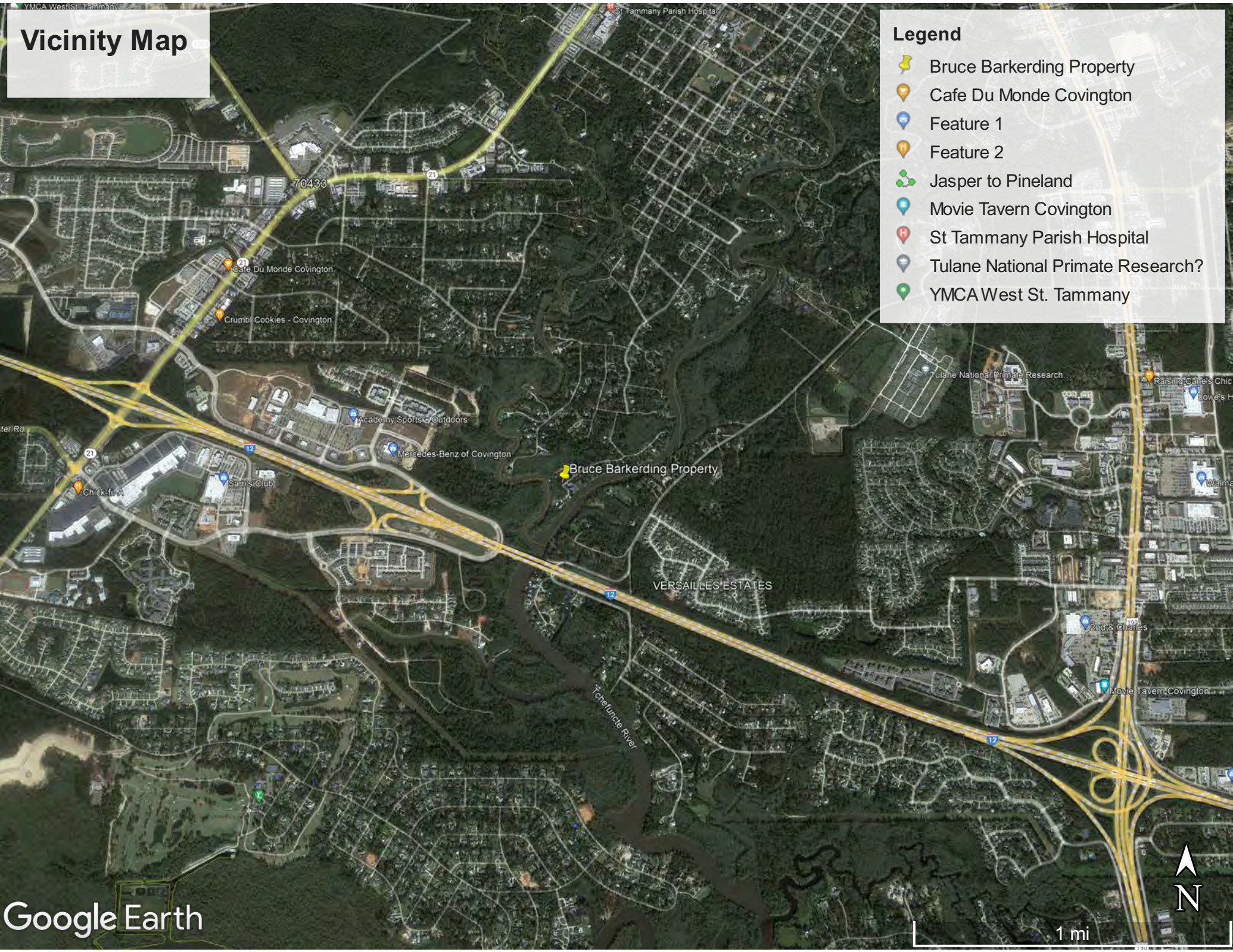
Vicinity Map

Legend

-  Bruce Barkerding Property
-  Cafe Du Monde Covington
-  Feature 1
-  Feature 2
-  Jasper to Pineland
-  Movie Tavern Covington
-  St Tammany Parish Hospital
-  Tulane National Primate Research?
-  YMCA West St. Tammany


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Site Map

Legend

 Bruce Barkerding Property

Tchefuncte River


Tchefuncte River

Bogue Falaya

Bogue Falaya Dr

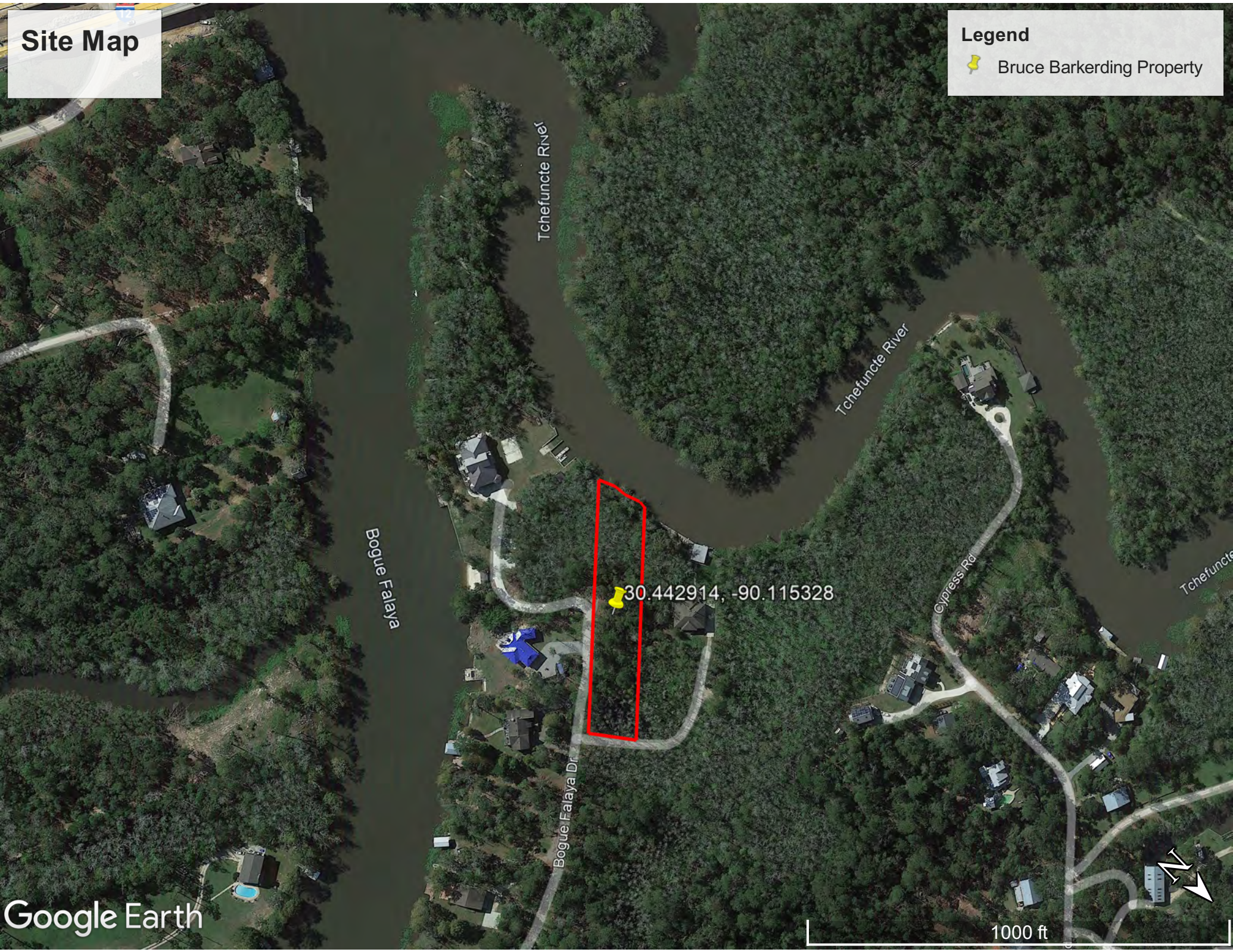
Cypress Rd

Tchefuncte

 30.442914, -90.115328

Google Earth

1000 ft



Plan Map

Write a description for your map.

Dimensions:

- *Proposed Boat Slip and Dock: 39'x50'
- *Proposed Deck: 45'x10'
- *Proposed Boardwalk: 134'x5'
- *Proposed House Location: 45'x40'
- *Proposed Gravel Drive: 0.1 acres
- *Proposed Bulkhead: 165'

Potential Wetland Impacts:

- Homesite/Deck: 0.018 Acres
- Boardwalk: 0.016 Acres
- Boat Slip/Dock: 0.013 Acres
- Total Impacts: 0.047 Acres

No structures currently exist on site

Legend

-  165' bank distance
-  Approximate Site Boundary
-  Boat Slip and Dock
-  Jurisdictional Wetland
-  Proposed Boardwalk
-  Proposed Bulkhead
-  Proposed Deck
-  Proposed Gravel Drive
-  Proposed House Location

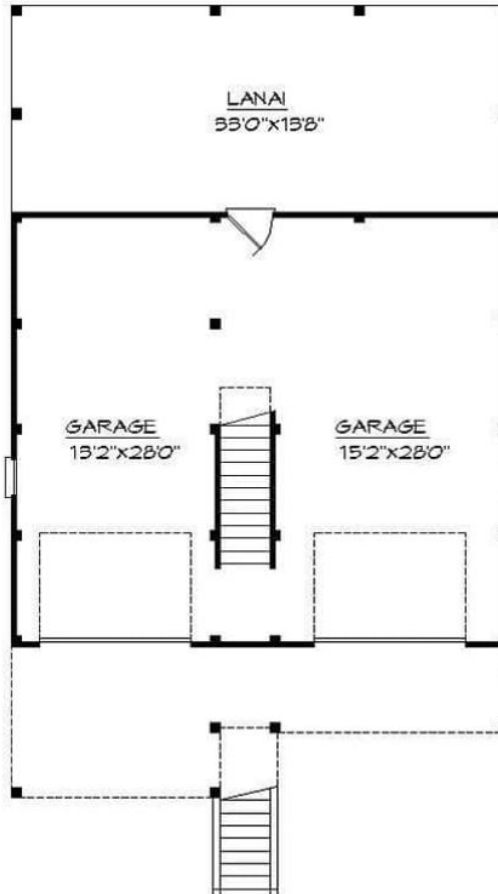


House Typical



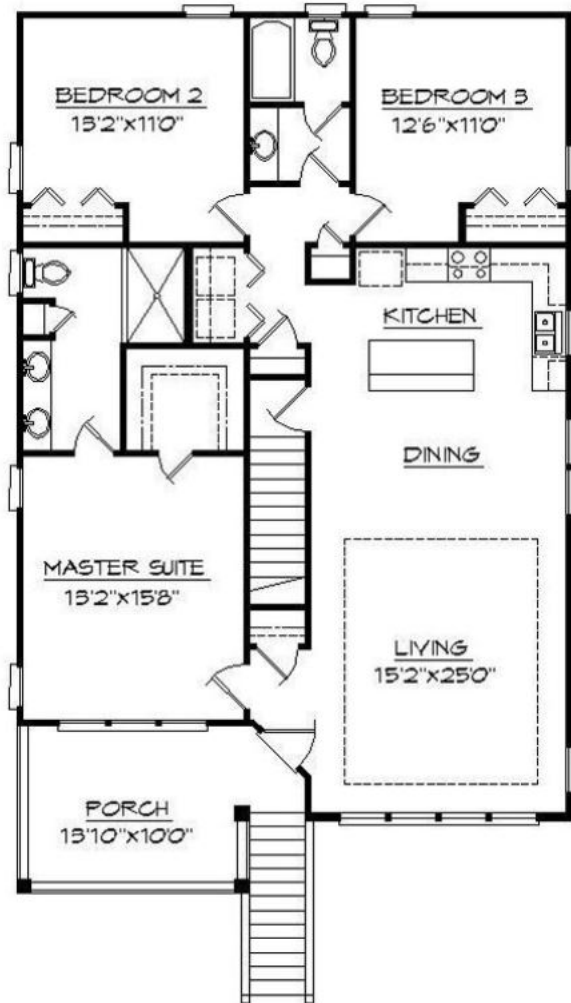
REAR ELEVATION

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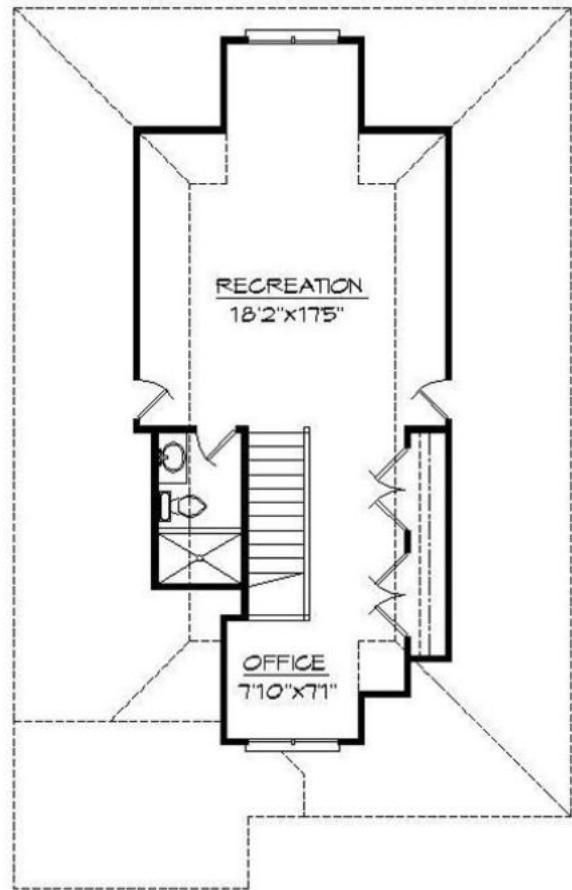


GROUND FLOOR PLAN

House Typical



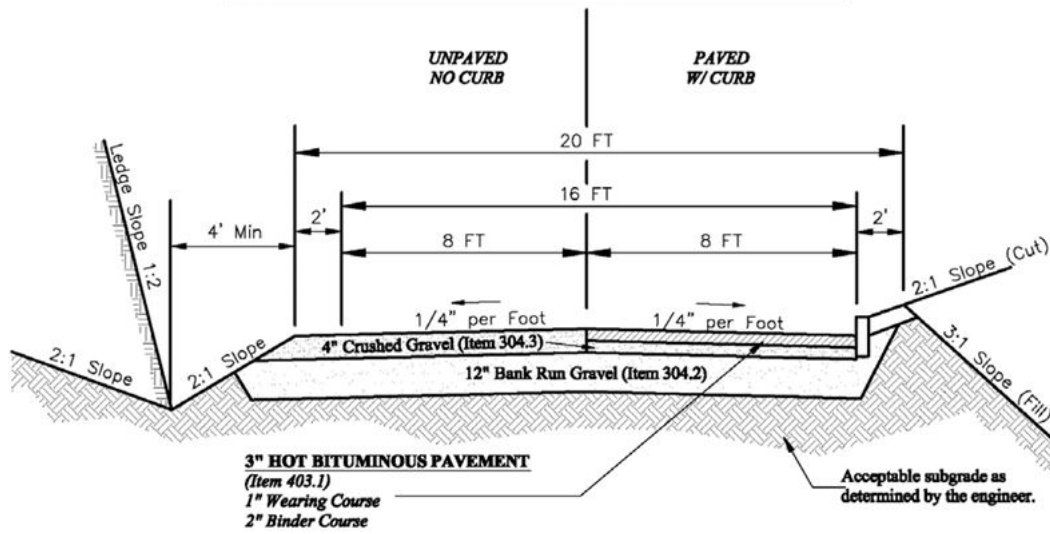
FIRST FLOOR PLAN



OPTIONAL
SECOND FLOOR PLAN

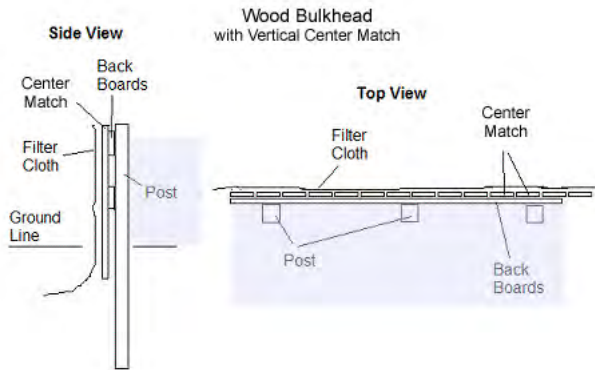
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Typical Common Driveway Cross Section



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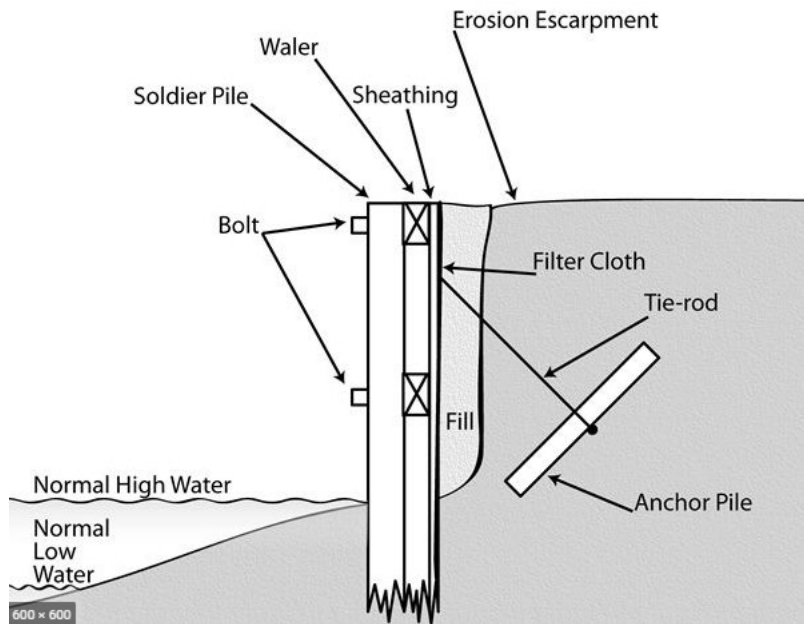
Bulkhead Typical



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Bulkhead

VIEW FROM SIDE





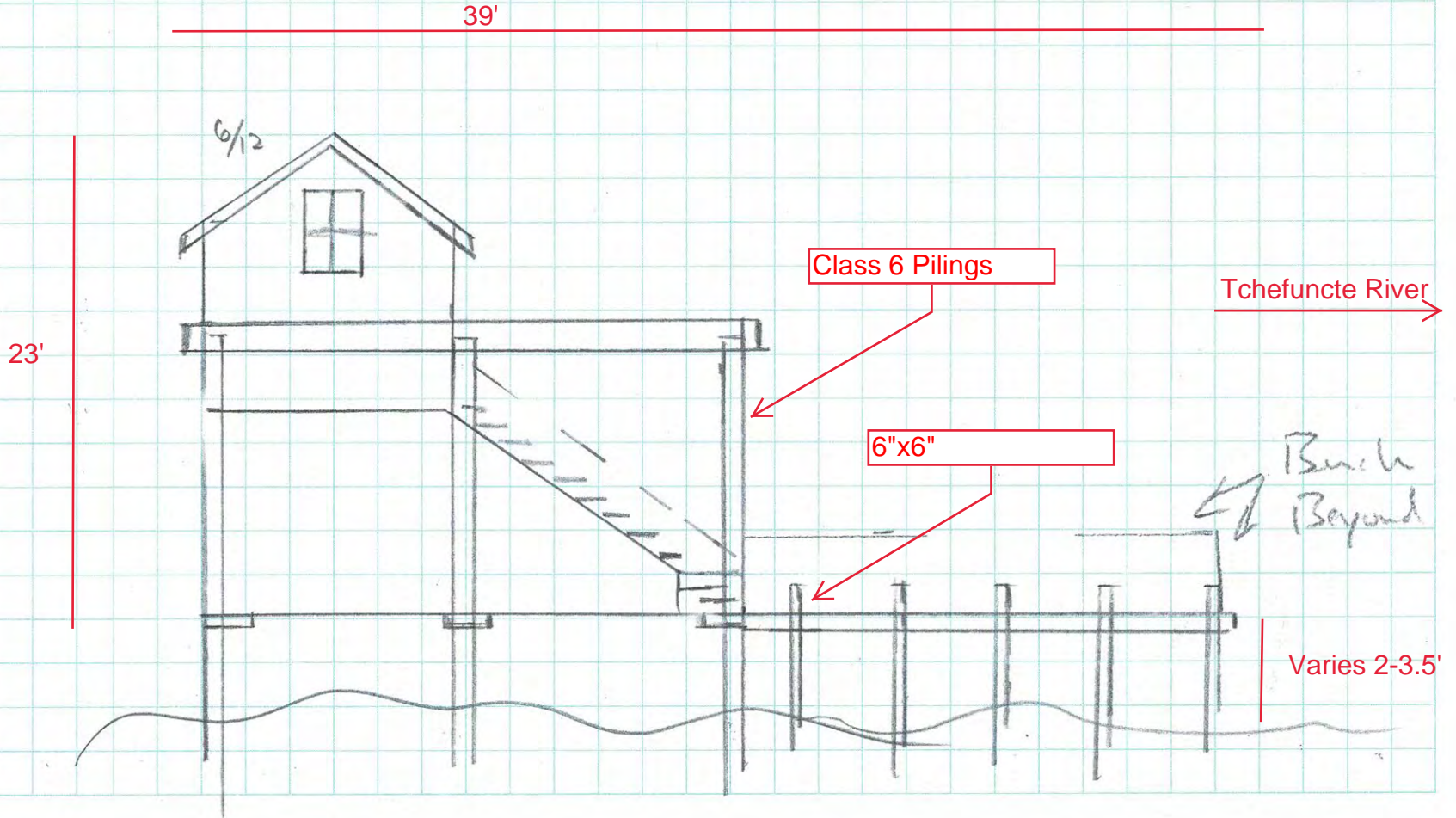
C & O Marine Construction
110 Campbell Ave. Mandeville, LA 70471
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candomarineconstructionllc@gmail.com

Date: 11/20/21

Customer: Bruce B

Project Location: Bayou Foché, LA

Upstream View of Boat Slip and Dock



Downstream view of Boat Slip and Dock

Viewed from Downstream

Tchefuncte River

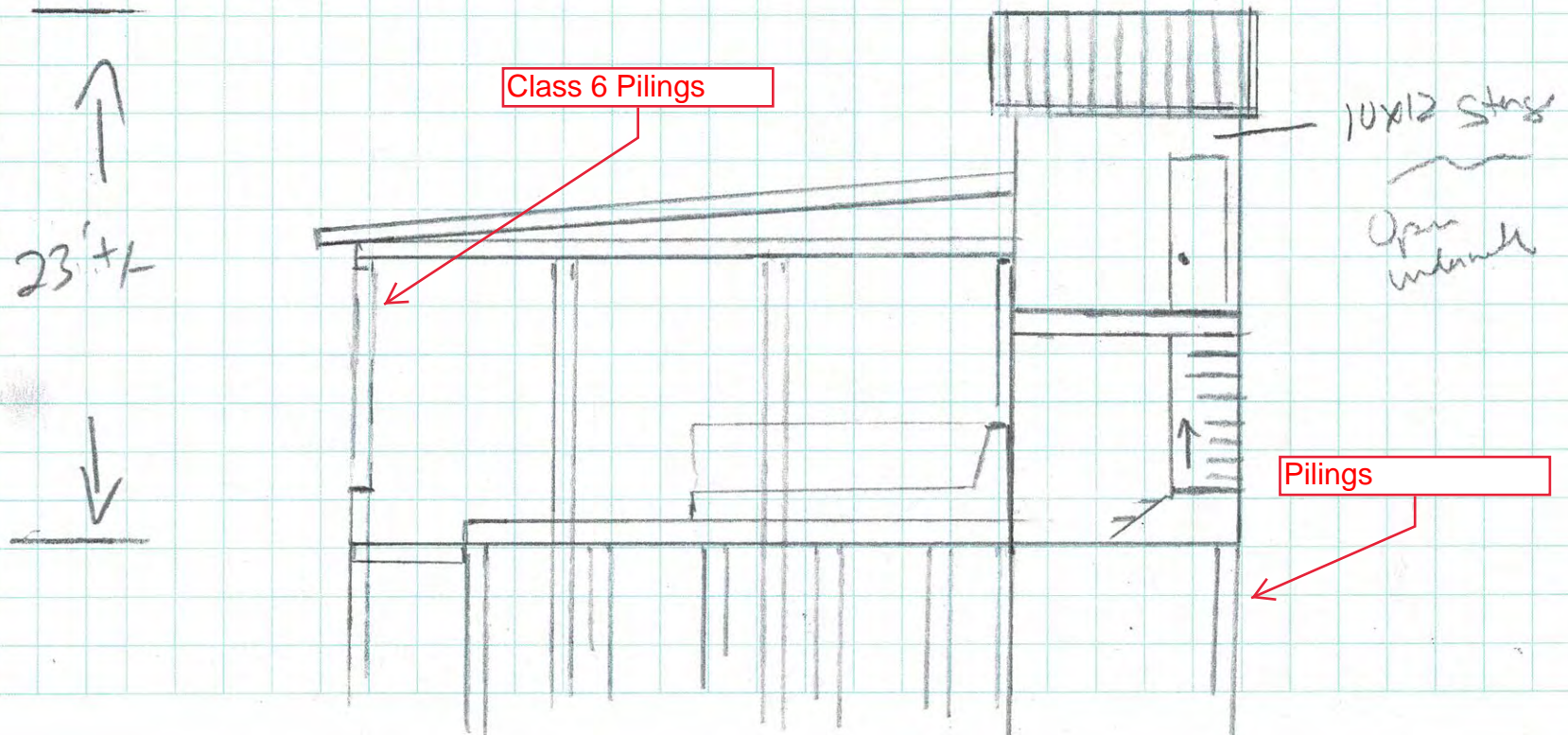
39'

23' ±

Class 6 Pilings

10x12 Stage
Open underneath

Pilings



1/2 = 1

Open underneath
with 9' +/- headroom

Open
underneath
w/ 9' +/-
Headroom

+10 AFF

Elevated
Storage

Elevated Storage

5' walk

5' Walk

+12

24x24
Deck

24'x24' deck

5' wharf

5' wharf

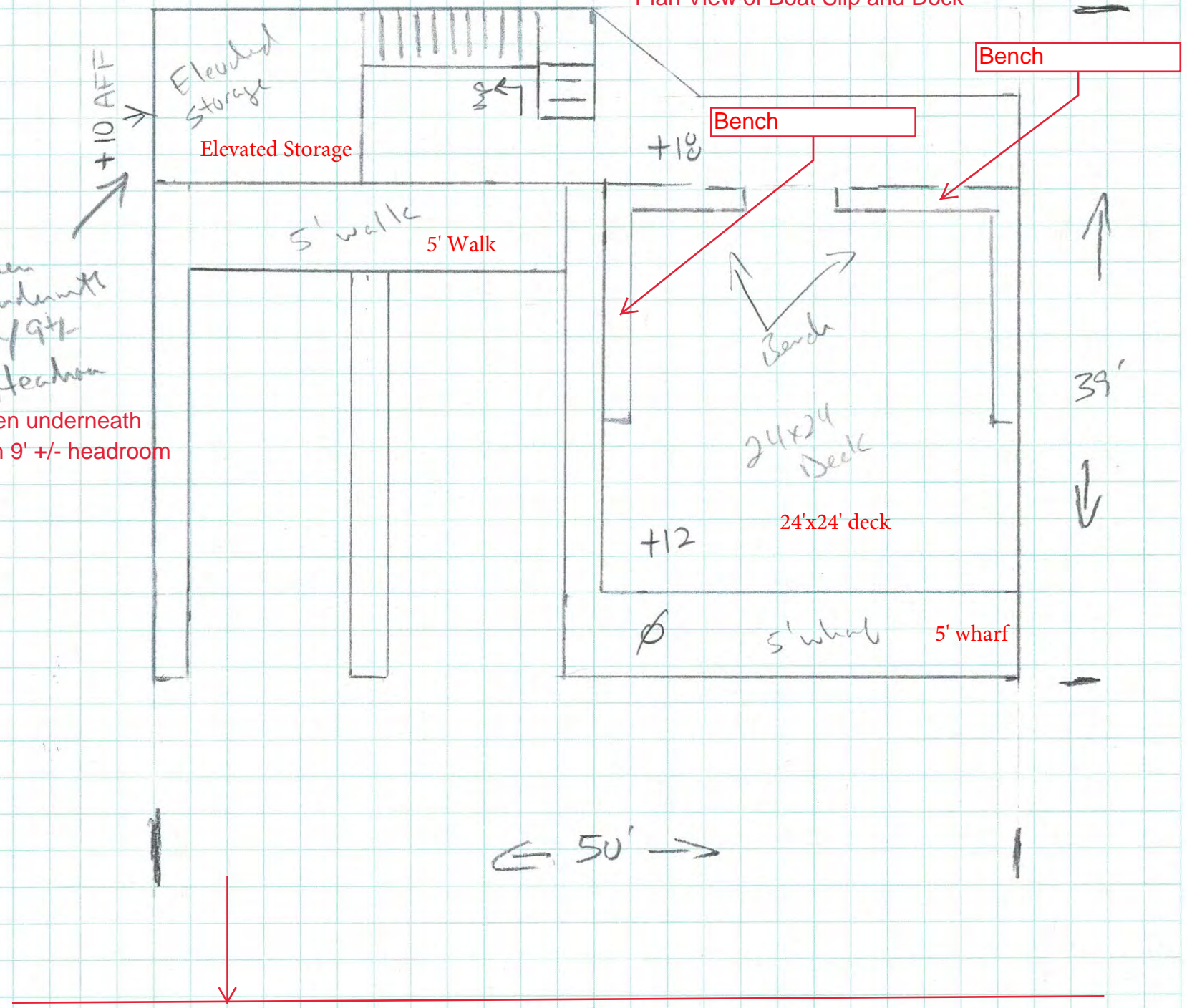
39'

50'

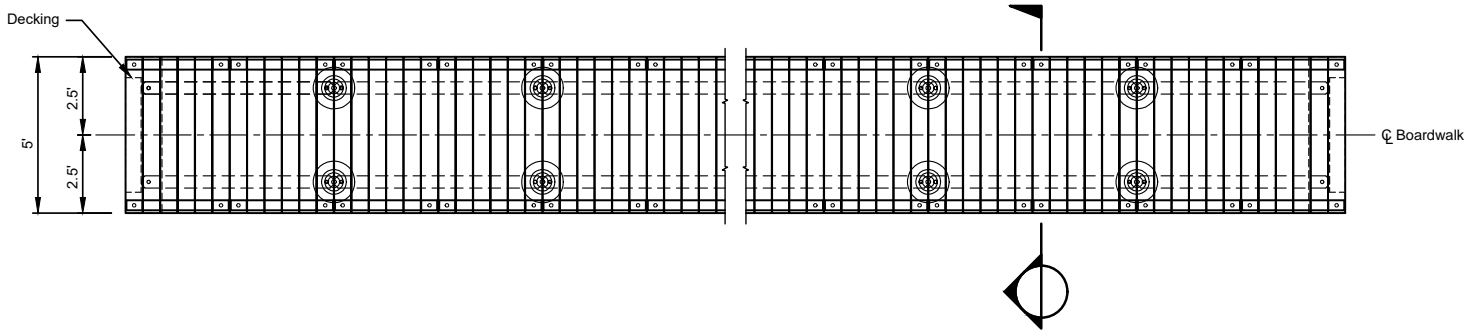
Plan View of Boat Slip and Dock

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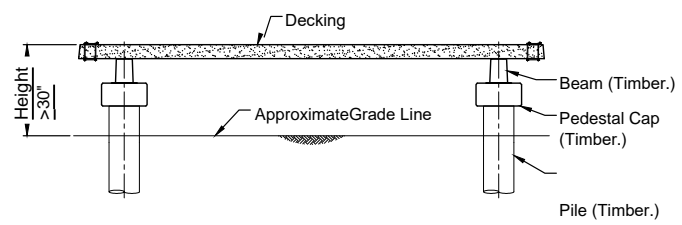
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Tchefuncte River



BOARDWALK PLAN



BOARDWALK SECTION

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Boardwalk Plan and Section