

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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New Orleans District  
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Application # MVN-2008-00037-WPP

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).

## **BOAT SLIP MAINTENANCE DREDGING IN LAFOURCHE PARISH**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Greater Lafourche Port Commission, P.O. Box 490, Galliano, Louisiana, 70354.

**LOCATION OF WORK:** Located at Latitude 29.13941, Longitude -90.19056, at Port Fourchon, Louisiana, in Lafourche Parish. The Project is located within the Lafourche Basin, Hydrologic Unit 08090301.

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** The applicant has requested a permit reissuance to perform maintenance dredging of accumulated sediments at boat slip "C" and the Flotation Canal. Multiple permit authorizations and time extensions have been granted for modifications and dredging at the boat slip and flotation canal since February 5, 2010. The most recent permit authorization was granted on December 18, 2019, for a time extension to continue the dredging of approximately 24,889 cubic yards of water bottom within a portion of the footprint of the previously permitted, Slip C. The additional dredging is required to deepen the Slip from -27.0' to -30.0'. The dredged material would be placed within a previously authorized disposal area. Approximately 11,200 cubic yards of material would be temporarily displaced in open water for constructing retainer levees which would be returned to grade following dredge disposal operations.

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 Engineers project manager listed above or forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY DIVISION, RGW, Johnny Duplantis**. 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 requestor 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.

### **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. 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.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would neither affect any species listed as endangered by the U.S. Departments of Interior or Commerce, nor affect any habitat designated

as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species. 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, it has been determined that the project would have no effect to the (e.g. Western Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), the Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), and the Red-cockaded Woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*).

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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 **115 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 may 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.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant receives approval or a waiver of the Coastal Use Permit by the Department of Natural Resources.

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.

Darrell S. Barbara  
Chief, Western Evaluation Branch  
Regulatory Division

Enclosure

# GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

## NORTHERN EXPANSION - PHASE 2



### STATE VICINITY MAP

NOT TO SCALE

**SURVEY**

HORIZONTAL CONTROL:  
 LOUISIANA STATE PLANE  
 1702 LOUISIANA SOUTH ZONE,  
 (NAD 83 (2011) EPOCH 2010.00).  
 U.S. SURVEY FEET  
 VRS PROVIDER IS C4G.

**VERTICAL CONTROL:**

NAVD 88 (GEOID 18, REV. 11/26/19)

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**STATE VICINITY MAP**

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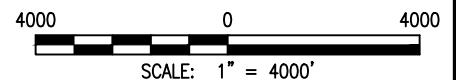
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## NORTHERN EXPANSION - PHASE 2



NAIP 2021 3.75 MINUTE DOQQS: LEEVILLE AND BELLE PASS, LA

NORTHERN EXPANSION-PHASE 2 SHOWN IS LOCATED IN SECTIONS 2, 25, & 35, T-23-S, R-22-E  
 THE BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA IS LOCATED IN SECTION 27, T-22-S, R-22-E



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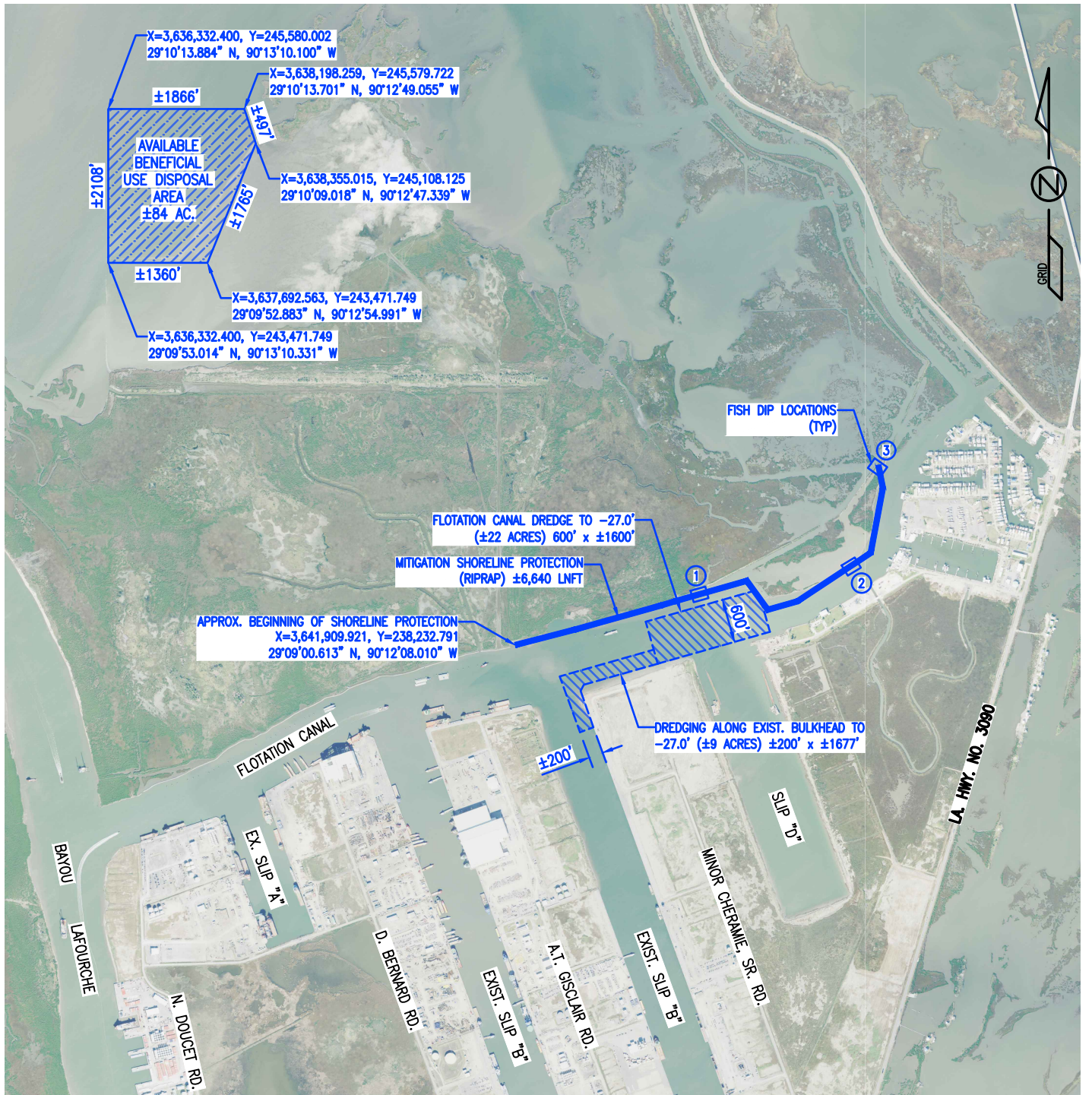
LOCAL VICINITY MAP

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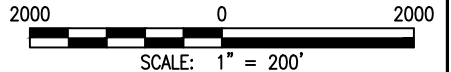
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- LEGEND:**
- AVAILABLE BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA: ±84 AC.
  - PHASE 2 DREDGING: ±31 AC. TOTAL
  - PHASE 2 MITIGATION SHORELINE PROTECTION RIPRAP W/(3) FISH DIPS: ±6,640 LNFT, ±8,000 CU YD

- NOTE:**
1. REFERENCE SHEETS 4 THRU 6 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON RIPRAP SHORELINE PROTECTION, FISH DIPS, TYPICAL DREDGE SECTIONS AND TYPICAL BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA SECTION.



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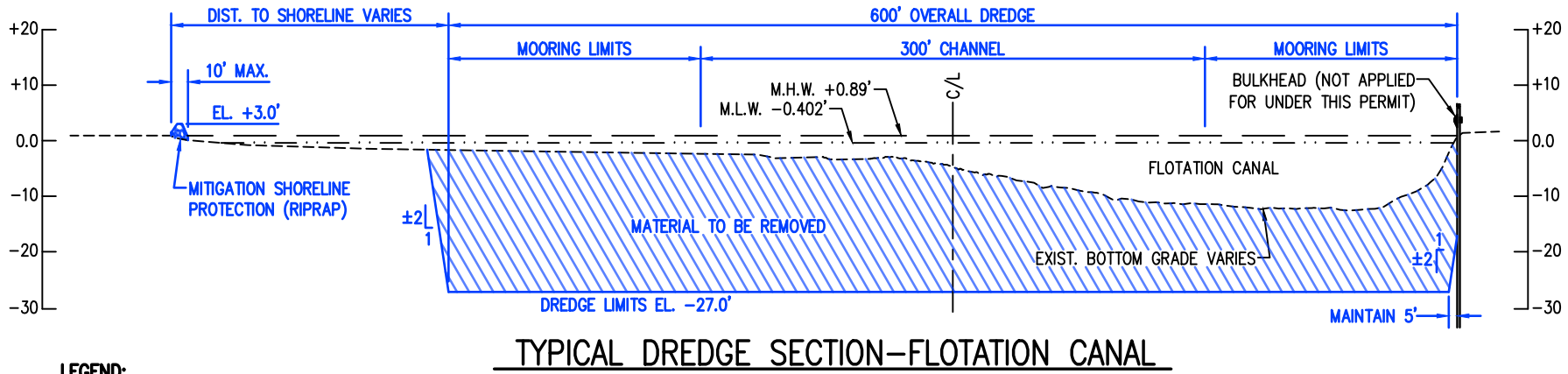
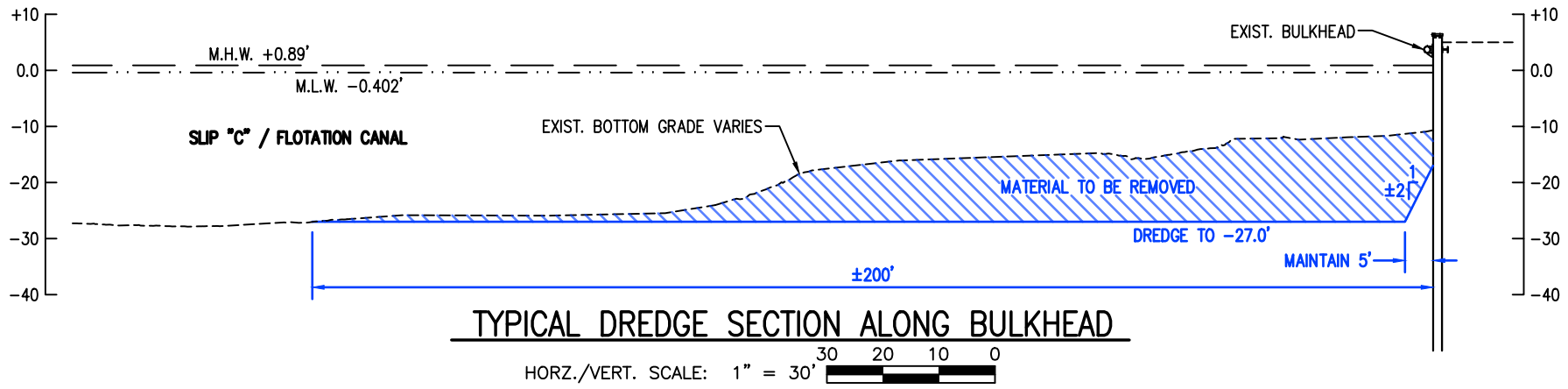
**SITE PLAN**

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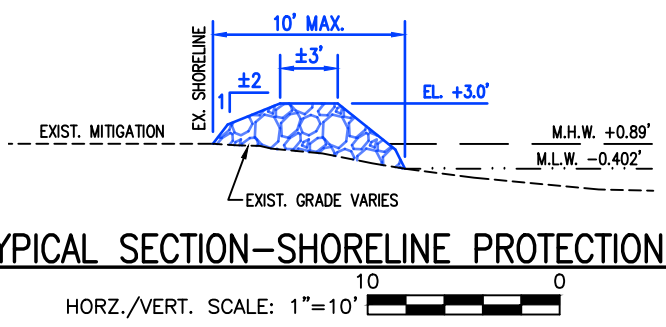


**LEGEND:**

- PHASE 2 DREDGING  
TOTAL: ±31 ACRES, ±965,236 CUYD (NET)
- DREDGING ALONG BULKHEAD: ±9 ACRES, ±277,016 CUYD (NET)
- DREDGING IN FLOTATION CANAL: ±22 ACRES, ±688,220 CUYD (NET)
- PHASE 2 MITIGATION SHORELINE PROTECTION  
RIPRAP W/(3) FISH DIPS: ±6,640 LNFT, ±8,000 CUYD

**NOTES:**

1. ALL MATERIAL GENERATED FROM DREDGING ALONG THE BULKHEAD IN SLIP "C" AND IN FLOTATION CANAL SHALL BE PLACED IN EITHER IN FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AREAS ADJACENT TO SLIP D (P20220055) OR BENEFICIAL USE/MITIGATION AREAS (P20170986, P20201132 (PENDING)).



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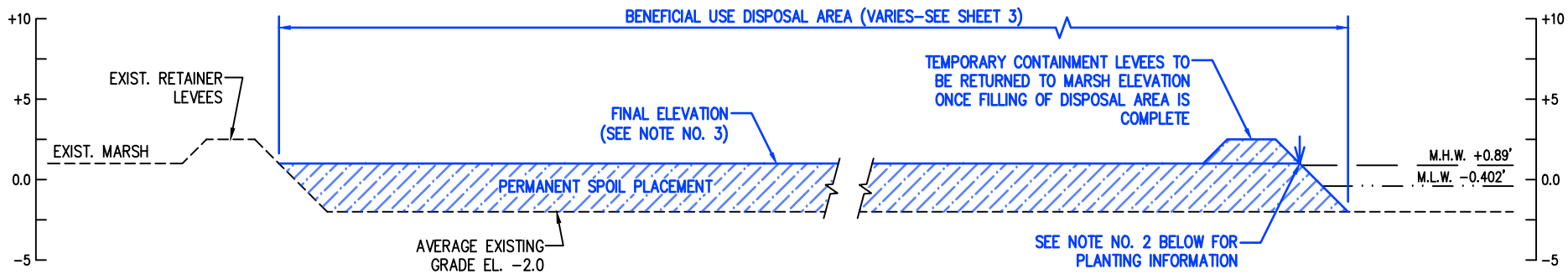
**TYPICAL DREDGE & RIPRAP SECTIONS**



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### TYPICAL SECTION-BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA

HORZ./VERT. SCALE: 1"=10'

**NOTES:**

1. ALL DREDGING OF MATERIAL FOR DEPOSITION INTO THE 84-ACRE BENEFICIAL USE AREA SHALL BE AUTHORIZED UNDER SEPARATE PERMITS. ALL PIPELINES USED IN SAID MATERIAL DISCHARGE SHALL BE FLOATED IN OPEN WATERS OUTSIDE OF NAVIGATIONAL CHANNELS.
2. IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN OPTIMUM ELEVATIONS IN THE BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA THE FINAL FILL ELEVATIONS FOLLOWING COMPACTION AND CONSOLIDATION SHALL RANGE BETWEEN +1.5 FEET TO +2.0 FEET NGVD WITH NO FINAL ELEVATIONS TO EXCEED +2.5 FEET NGVD. NO MORE THAT 15% OF THE FINAL FILL AREA SHALL EXCEED +2.0 FEET NGVD. IF 15% OR MORE OF THE FINAL FILL AREA EXCEEDS +2.0 FEET NGVD THE PERMITTEE SHALL TAKE WHATEVER STEPS NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH THE 15% RESTRICTION CRITERIA.
3. TO ASSURE THE PLACEMENT OF SPOIL MATERIAL TO PROPER ELEVATIONS, SURVEY STAKES MARKED WITH THE TARGET ELEVATION (+1.5 TO +2.0 FEET NGVD) SHALL BE PLACED ON A 200-FOOT GRID THROUGHOUT THE DISPOSAL AREA.
4. A FULL TIME INSPECTOR WILL BE ON SITE TO ASSURE THE TARGET ELEVATION IS MET AND NOT EXCEEDED. BASED ON AS-BUILT SURVEYS ADDITIONAL WORK MAY BE REQUIRED, AT THE PERMITTEE'S EXPENSE, TO OBTAIN APPROPRIATE ELEVATIONS WITHIN THE DISPOSAL AREA.

**BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA:**

±84 ACRES



**APPROX. DREDGE MATERIAL (FILL):**

±965,236 CU YD (NET)

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**BENEFICIAL USE DISPOSAL AREA TYPICAL SECTION**



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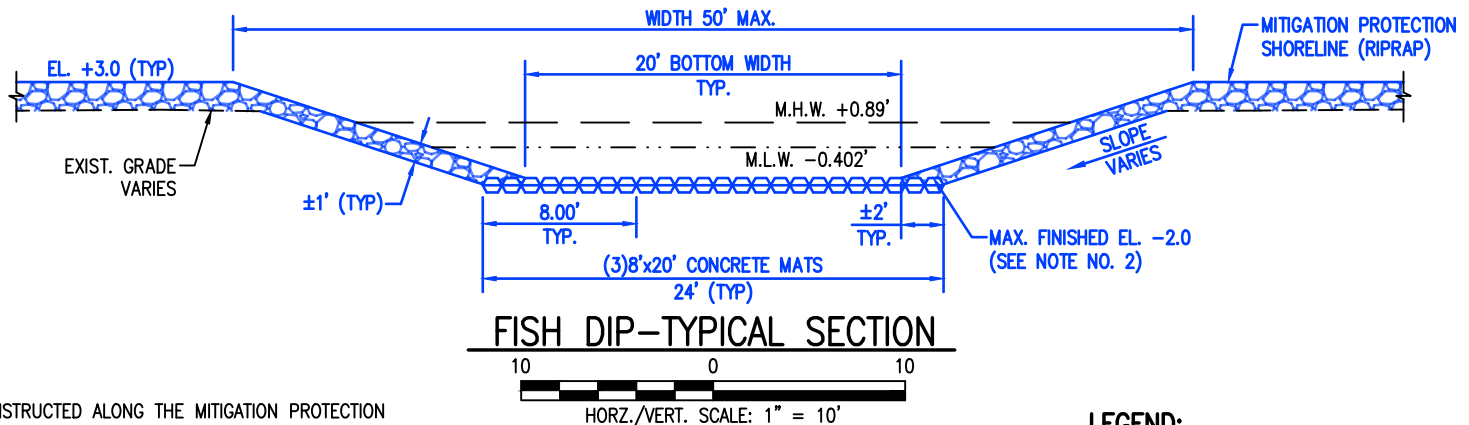
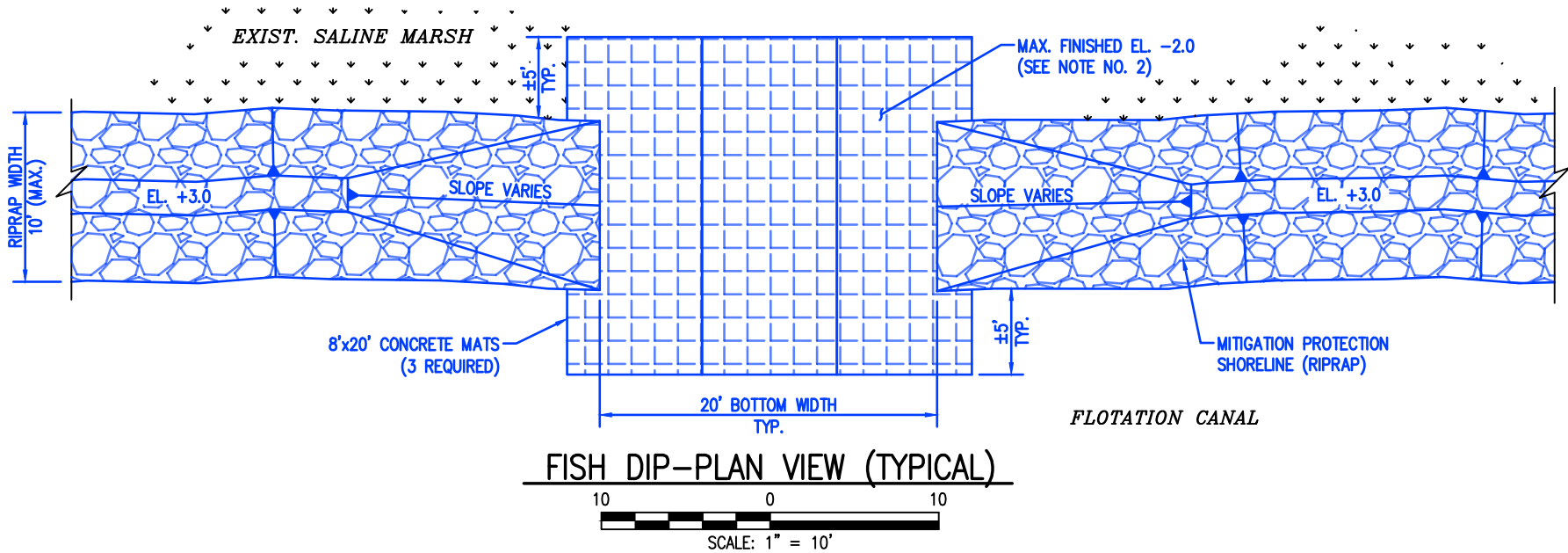
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**NOTES:**

1. FISH DIPs SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG THE MITIGATION PROTECTION SHORELINE IN AREAS DESIGNATED ON SHEET 3. ACTUAL LOCATIONS OF FISH DIPs SHALL BE DETERMINED AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.
2. CONCRETE MATS SHALL BE INSTALLED AS PER DETAILS ON THIS SHEET. FINISHED ELEVATION OF THE CONCRETE MATS SHALL MATCH EXISTING WATER BOTTOM ELEVATIONS BUT SHALL NOT EXCEED -2.0 N.A.V.D.

**LEGEND:**

-  CONCRETE MATS: 8'x20', 9 REQUIRED
-  PHASE 2 MITIGATION SHORELINE PROTECTION RIPRAP W/(3) FISH DIPs: ±6,640 LNFT, ±8,000 CUYD

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**TYPICAL FISH DIP DETAILS**



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