

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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Corps of Engineers
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Permit Application Number
MVN 2014-2160-EPP

State of Louisiana
Department of Environmental Quality
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Project Manager
Elizabeth Hill
WQC Application Number
WQC 160121-01

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, 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).

INSTALL AND MAINTAIN AN ELEVATED WALKWAY, BULKHEAD, AND COVERED BOATHOUSE OFF OF BAYOU MONGA IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Joseph Register, c/o Villere Town Planning, LLC, 110 East 7th Avenue, Covington, Louisiana 70433.

LOCATION OF WORK: The project is located along Bayou Monga, in River Oaks Estates, on Carrisa Drive, Lot 290, in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the attached drawings.

Latitude: 30.429825/Longitude: -90.102778 Hydrologic Unit Codes: 08090201 Liberty Bayou-Tchefuncta.

CHARACTER OF WORK: Install and maintain a 413' x 6' elevated walkway attached to a 34' x 20' covered boathouse and bulkhead. Project implementation includes the excavation of 53 cubic yards of native material. A portion of the excavated material will be used to backfill the proposed bulkhead and the remainder of the material will be hauled off-site. Hand operated equipment will be used to clear within the proposed elevated walkway footprint and a bobcat will be utilized to haul construction material along the cleared path. Any rutting within the elevated walkway footprint will be returned to its natural contours. Approximately 0.1 acre of jurisdictional wetlands and/or waters of the U.S. will be impacted by the proposed activities. The applicant has agreed to compensatory mitigation requirements as determined during the evaluation.

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.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work will result in no effect on any threatened or endangered species. Concurrence has been received from the US Fish and Wildlife Service per the Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species in Louisiana, dated October 22, 2014.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would not affect any species, nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of such species, listed as endangered by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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 0.1 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.

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 received approval or a waiver of the Coastal Use Permit by the Department of Natural Resources.

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.

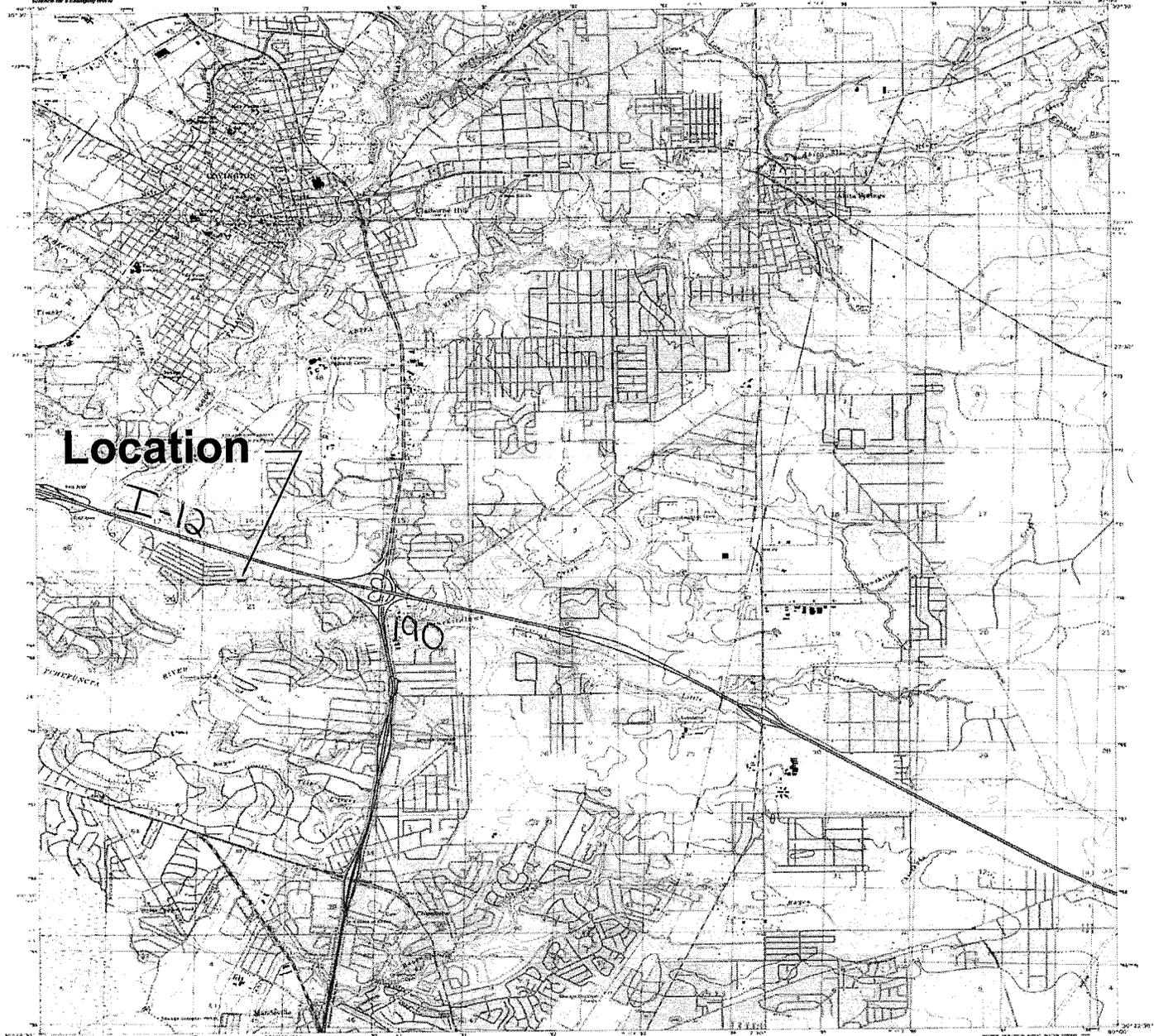
Michael V. Farabee
Chief, Eastern Evaluation Section

Enclosure



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

COVINGTON QUADRANGLE
EUGENESPACE LITHOGRAPHY PARISH
7.5-MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



Location

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SCALE 1:24,000

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Topographic, contour lines, and place names were compiled from 1:250,000 scale maps and other sources. The map is based on the 1998 edition of the National Geographic Society's 7.5-Minute Series Topographic Map of the United States. The map is based on the 1998 edition of the National Geographic Society's 7.5-Minute Series Topographic Map of the United States. The map is based on the 1998 edition of the National Geographic Society's 7.5-Minute Series Topographic Map of the United States.



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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Vicinity Map

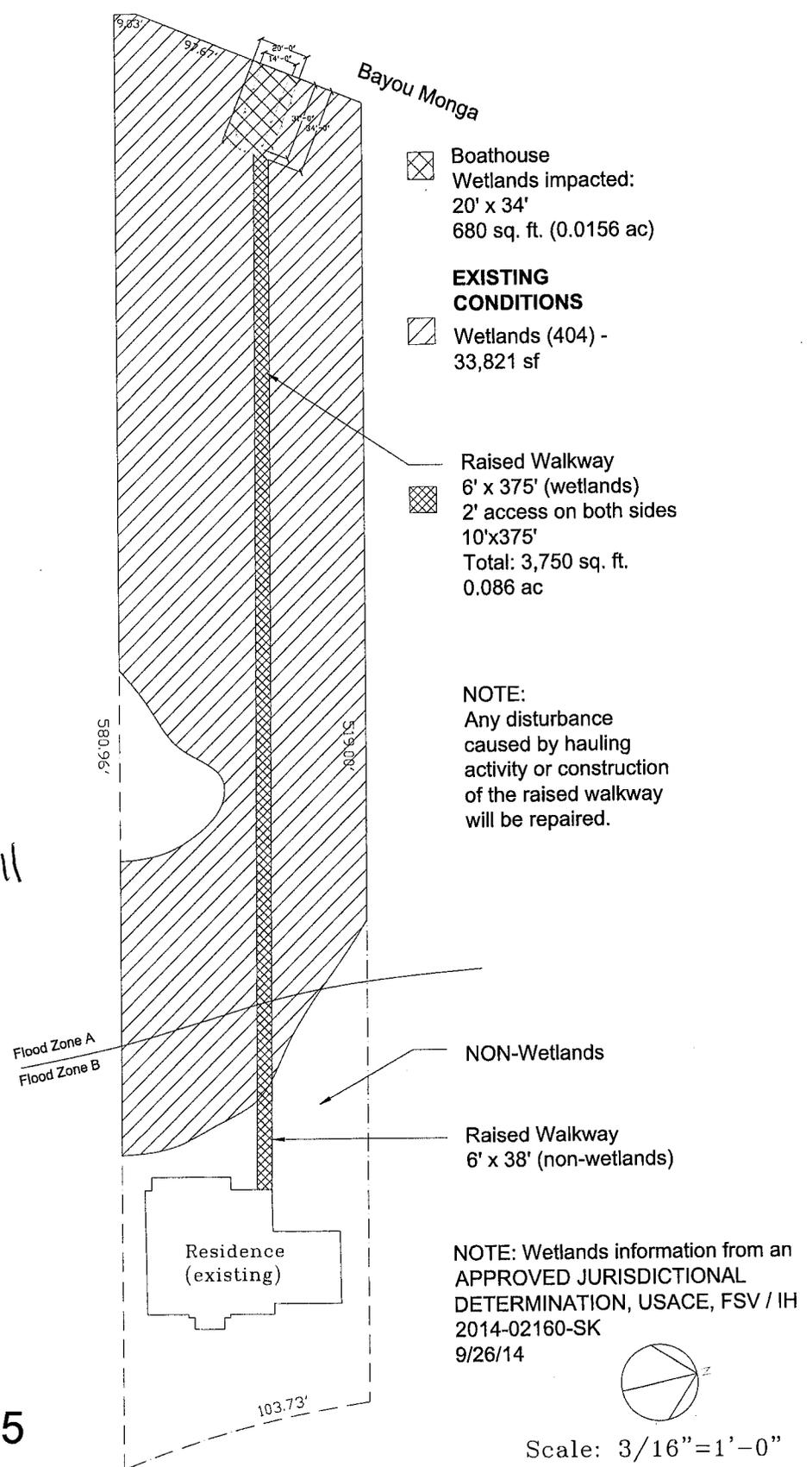
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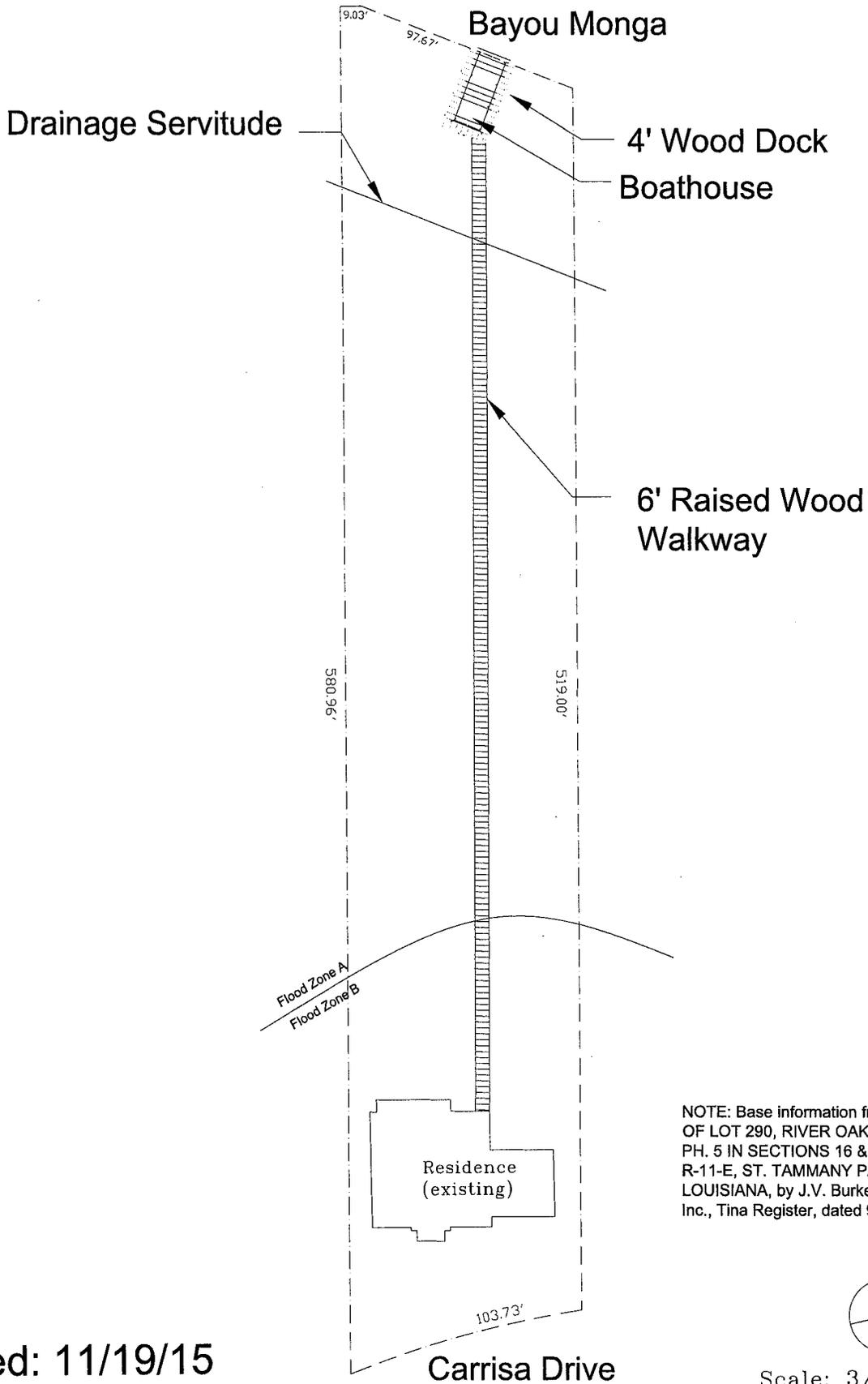
Proposed Boathouse
Joseph Register
Lot 290, River Oaks Estates, Ph. 5
St. Tammany Parish, LA

* Clearing for the elevated walkway will be done with hand tool.

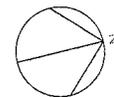
* A bobcat will be used to haul in the materials for the elevated walkway.



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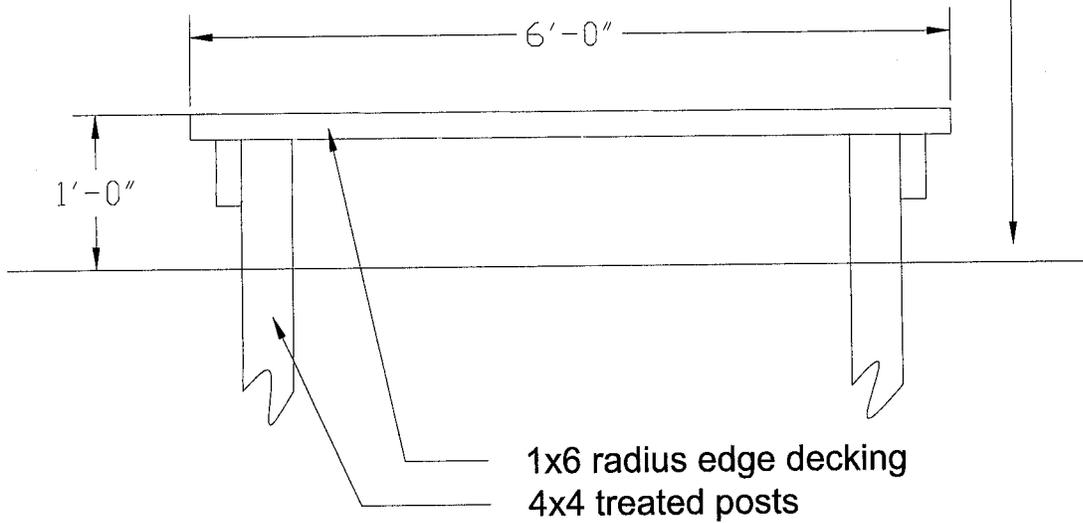
NOTE: Base information from A SURVEY OF LOT 290, RIVER OAKS ESTATES, PH. 5 IN SECTIONS 16 & 21, T-7-S, R-11-E, ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LOUISIANA, by J.V. Burkes & Associates, Inc., Tina Register, dated 9/23/14



Scale: 3/16" = 1'-0"

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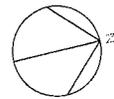
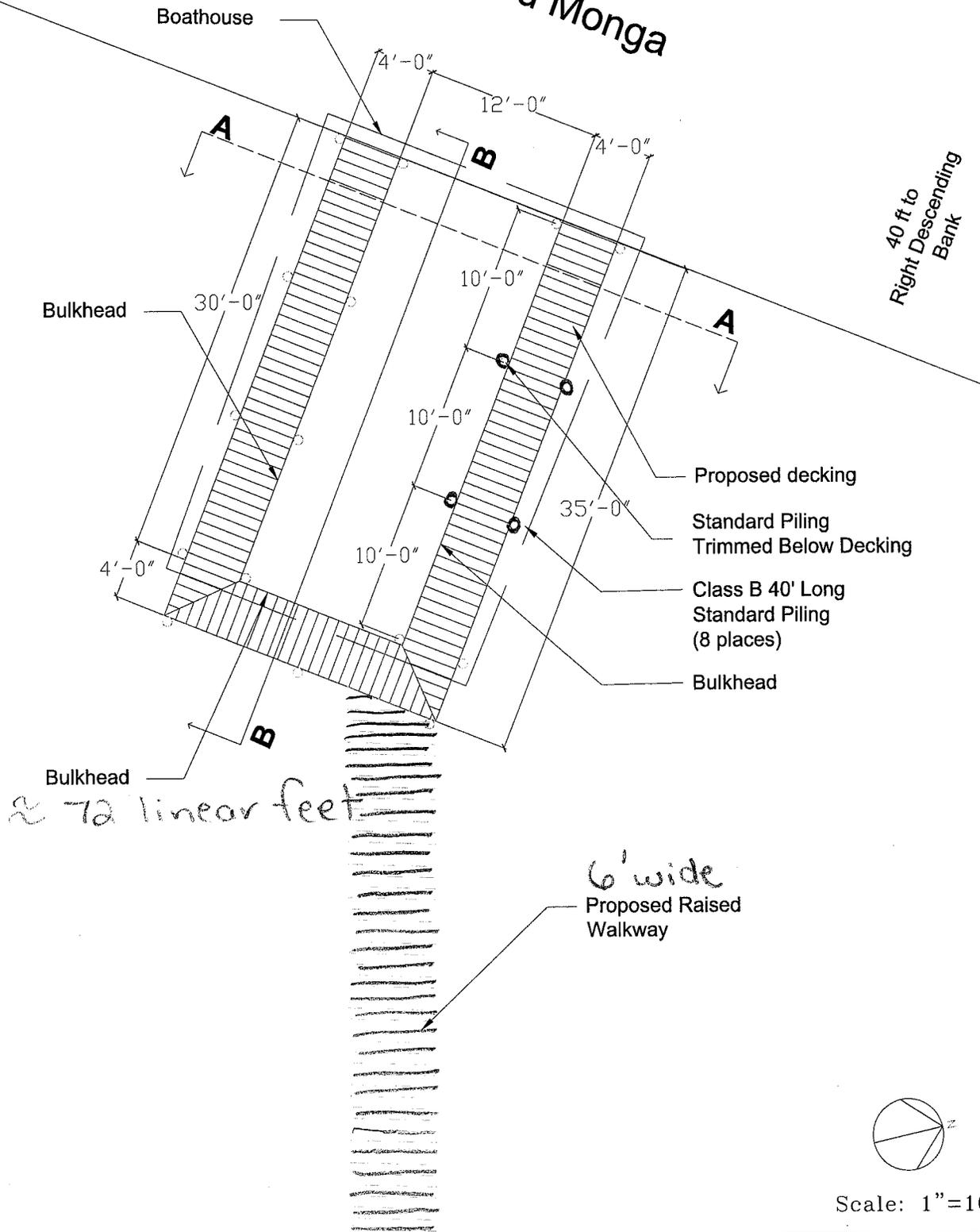
Note: natural ground to remain undisturbed



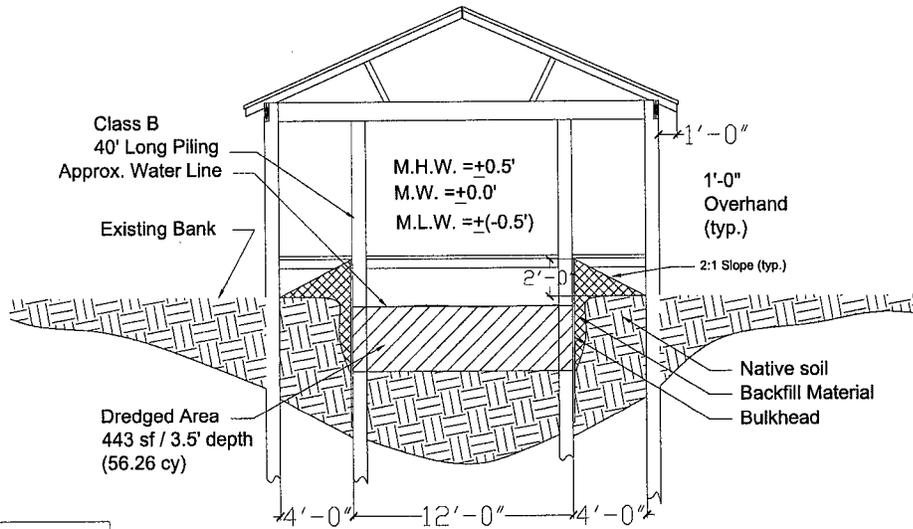
Walk Detail

* 2' access on either side.
Totaling 375' x 10' elevated walkway

Bayou Monga



Scale: 1"=10'

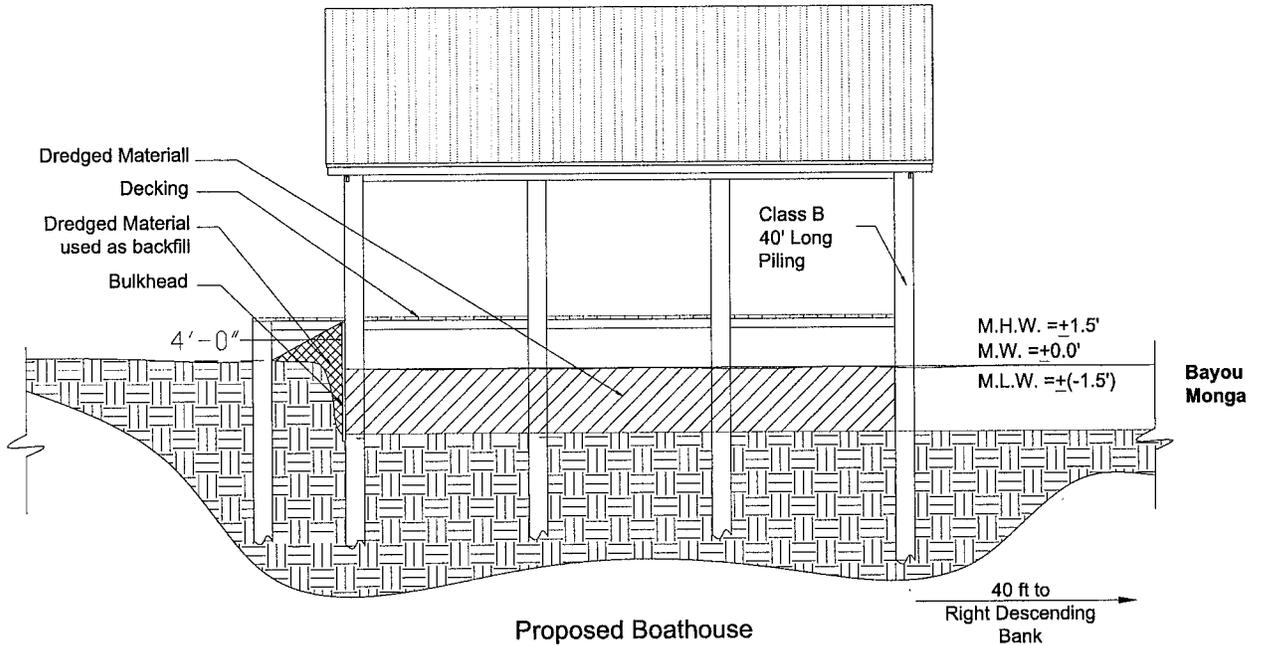


NOTE:

19.55 cy of dredged material used as backfill for bulkhead.

36.70 cy of dredged material to be hauled off site.

**Proposed Boathouse
Section A-A**



**Proposed Boathouse
Section B-B**

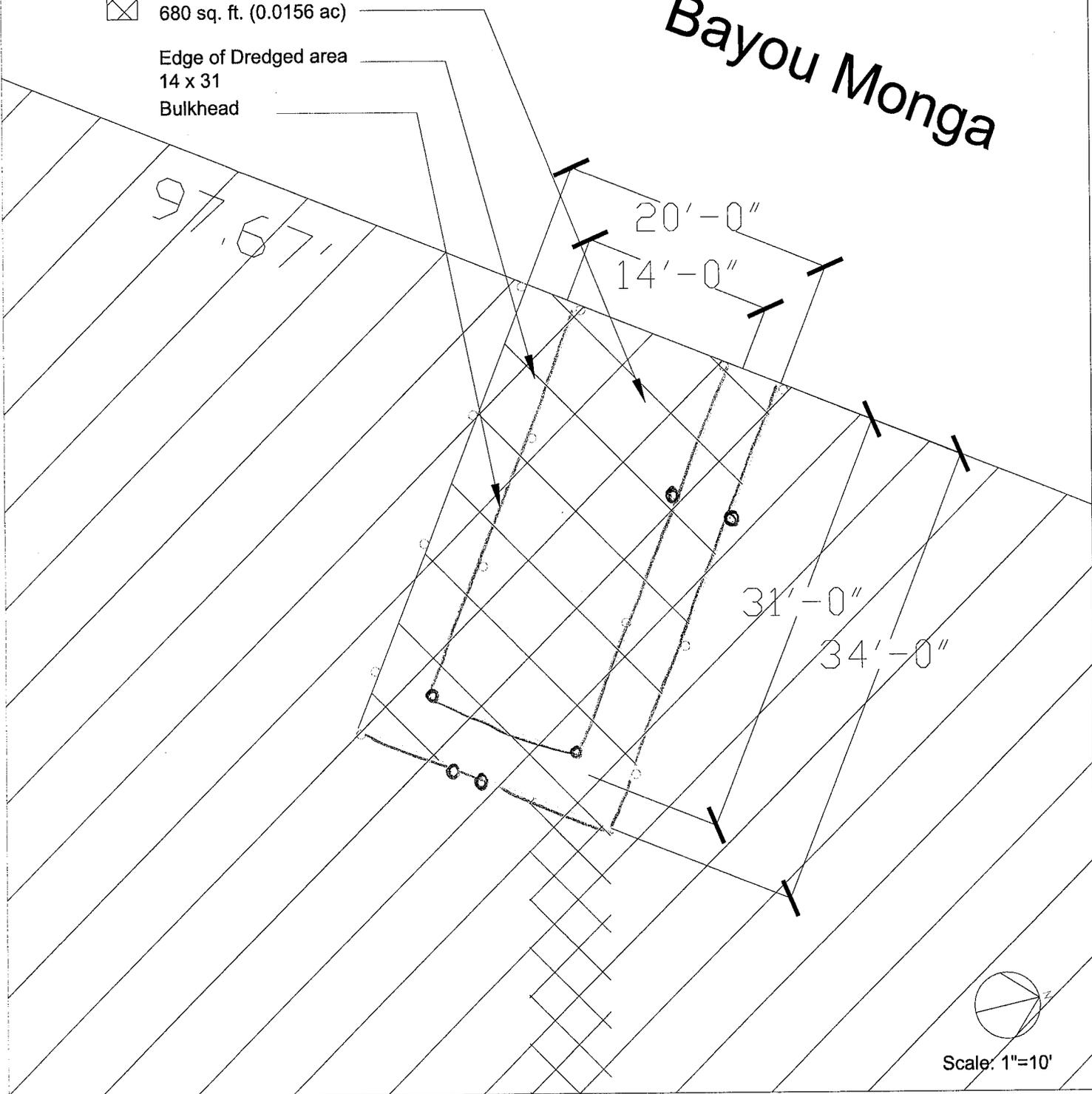
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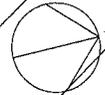
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 Wetlands impacted: 20 x 34
680 sq. ft. (0.0156 ac)

Edge of Dredged area
14 x 31
Bulkhead

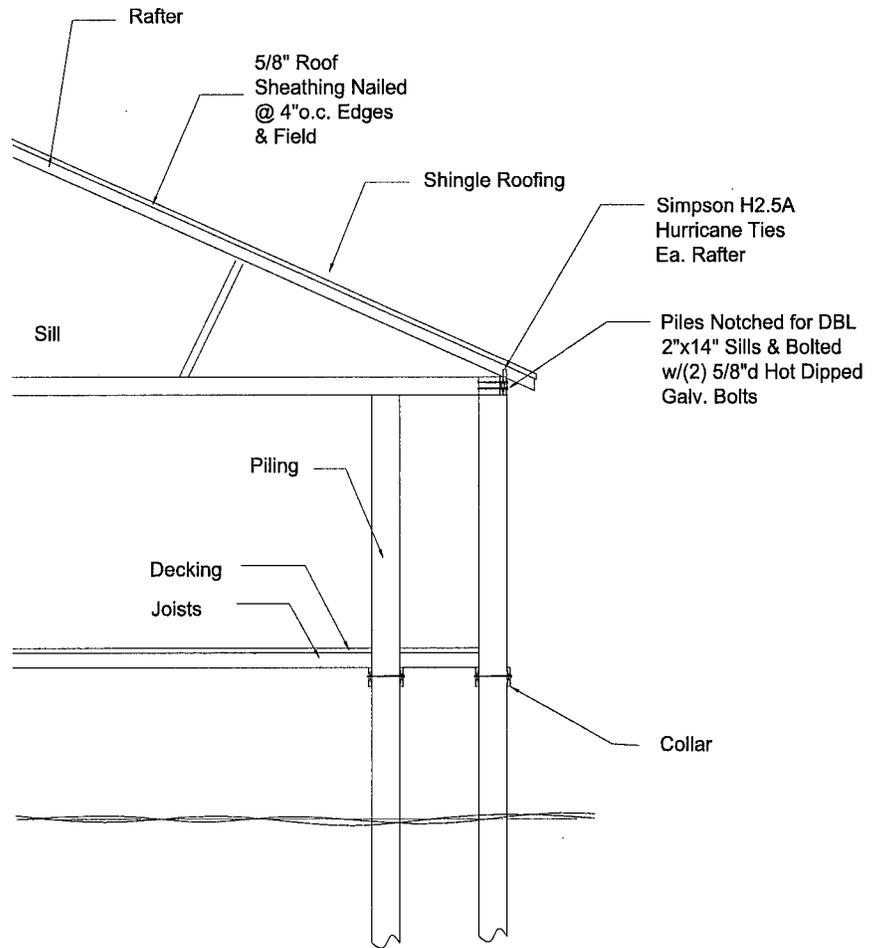
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GENERAL NOTES

1. ALL PILING TO CLASS B, 40' LONG w/MIN. 2.5 CCA AND DRIVEN TO 2 TON BEARING RESISTANCE.
2. ALL SILLS TO BE DOUBLE 2:X14"S NOTCHED AND BOLTED TO PILING WITH (2) 5/8" DIAMETER HOT DIPPED GALVANIZED BOLTS.
3. ALL COLLARS FOR DECKS TO BE 2"x8" NOMINAL 24" ON CENTER TREATED 0.40 ACQ.
4. ALL JOISTS FOR DECKS TO BE 2"x6" NOMINAL 24" ON CENTER TREATED 0.20 ACQ.
5. ALL DECKING SHALL BE 2"x6" TREATED 0.40 ACQ. OR FIBERGLASS PANELS.
6. RAFTERS TO BE 2:x6" #2 SYP AS REQUIRED BY LOCAL CODES w/SIMPSON H2.5A HURRICANE TIES AT EACH RAFTER.
7. ROOF SHEATHING TO BE 5/8" OSB MINIMUM NAILING PATTERN 4" ON CENTER AT EDGES AND FIELD.
8. ROOFING SHALL BE 30 YR. SHINGLES AS PER OWNER INSTRUCTIONS.
9. STRUCTURE IS RATED DFOR 140 MPH WIND LOADS.



TYPICAL SECTION

Scale: N.T.S.