# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

December 9, 2019

United States Army Corps of Engineers New Orleans District Regulatory Branch 7400 Leake Avenue New Orleans, LA 70118-3651

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Department of Environmental Quality
Post Office Box 4313
Baton Rouge, La. 70821-4313
Attn: Water Quality Certifications

(225) 219-3225/FAX (225) 325-8125 Project Manager Elizabeth Hill WQC Application Number WQC # 191203-01

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, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 30, Chapter 11, Part IV, Section 2074 A(3) and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

#### PROPOSED STATE PARK IMPROVEMENTS IN ST. MARY AND IBERIA PARISHES

**NAME OF APPLICANT**: State of Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, 150 Terrace Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

**LOCATION**: Project located at approximately Latitude 29.73496, Longitude -91.852775, at Cypremort State Park, within St. Mary and Iberia Parishes, Louisiana.

**DESCRIPTION**: The applicant proposes to make improvements to Cypremort Point State Park by implementing the five (5) following components: 1) Perform beach reclamation to restore eroded beach at the Vermilion Bay shoreline to pre-erosion condition. 2) Reinforce existing rock revetments along the north bank of Quintana Canal. 3) Construct a pedestrian boardwalk over the marsh on the eastern side of the park 4) Repair existing parking areas and entrance roadway, overlay existing limestone road surface with asphalt. 5) Construct a recreational vehicle campground within the park. Access into marsh area will be traveled in only one direction to avoid permanent impacts to marsh vegetation. The elevation of the boardwalk over vegetated wetlands is greater than 4 feet and at least as high above the marsh surface as the structure is wide (ie. 6' wide and 6' tall). The areas of the boardwalk where it is not feasible to elevate to a height equal to the width, the surface of the boardwalk is to be constructed of grating with openings for sunlight to transverse. Permanent impacts to wetlands are not expect.

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.

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 5:00 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, pre-historical, historical sites, or data. Copies of this notice are being sent to the State Archeologist and the State Historic Preservation Officer.

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 South Louisiana Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species (SLOPES), as signed on October 22, 2014, 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 is located in waters known to be utilized by the Western Indian Manatee and determined that the activity is not likely to adversely affect this species. If this permit is issued, the permittee will be required to the follow the SLOPES Manatee conditions.

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 14.38 acre(s) 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, before a permit is issued.

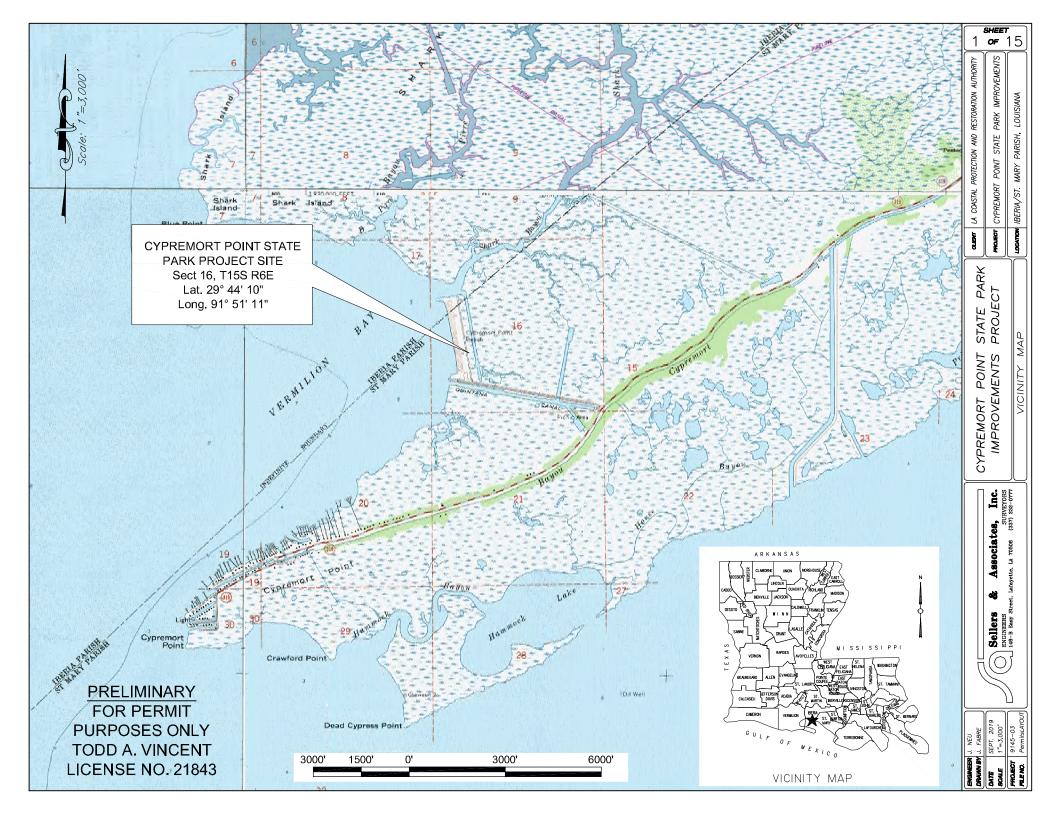
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

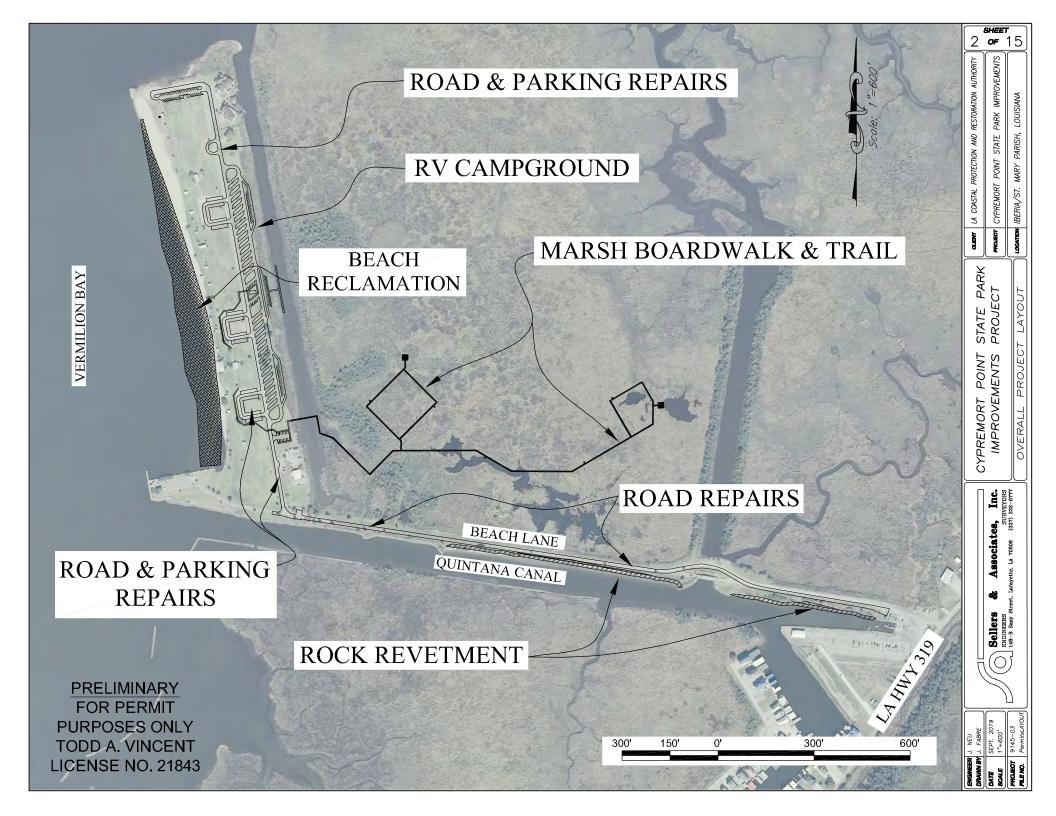
The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant received approval or a waiver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

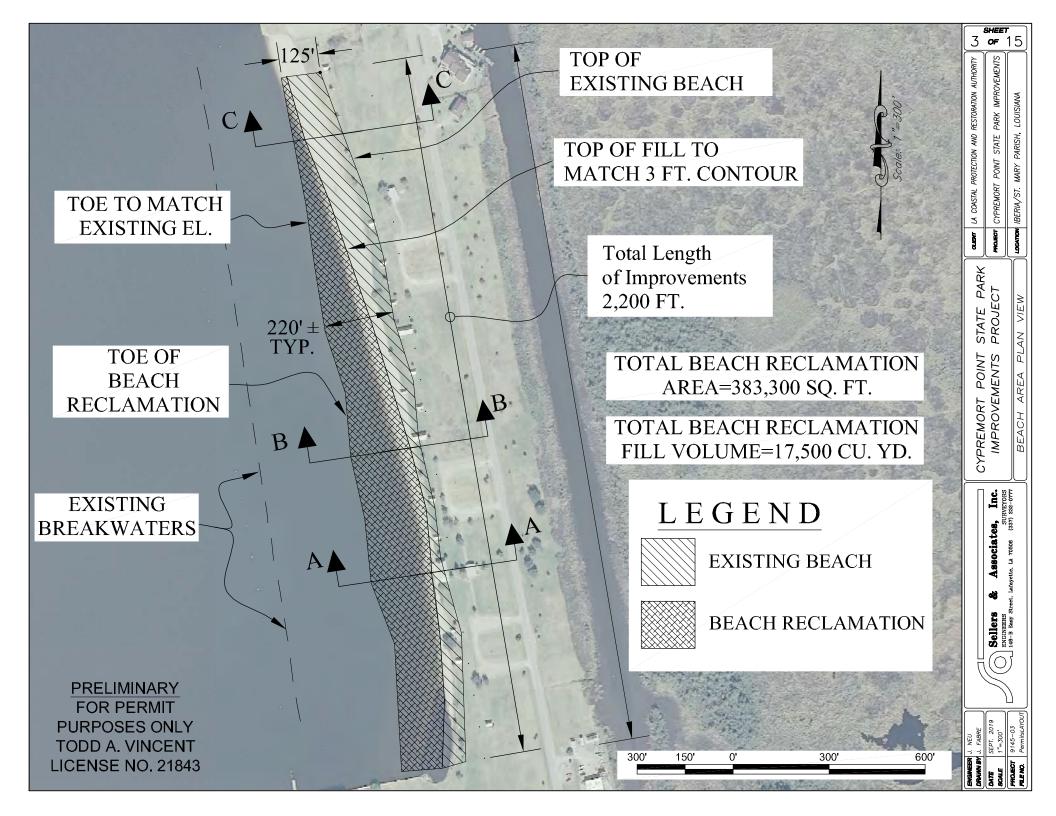
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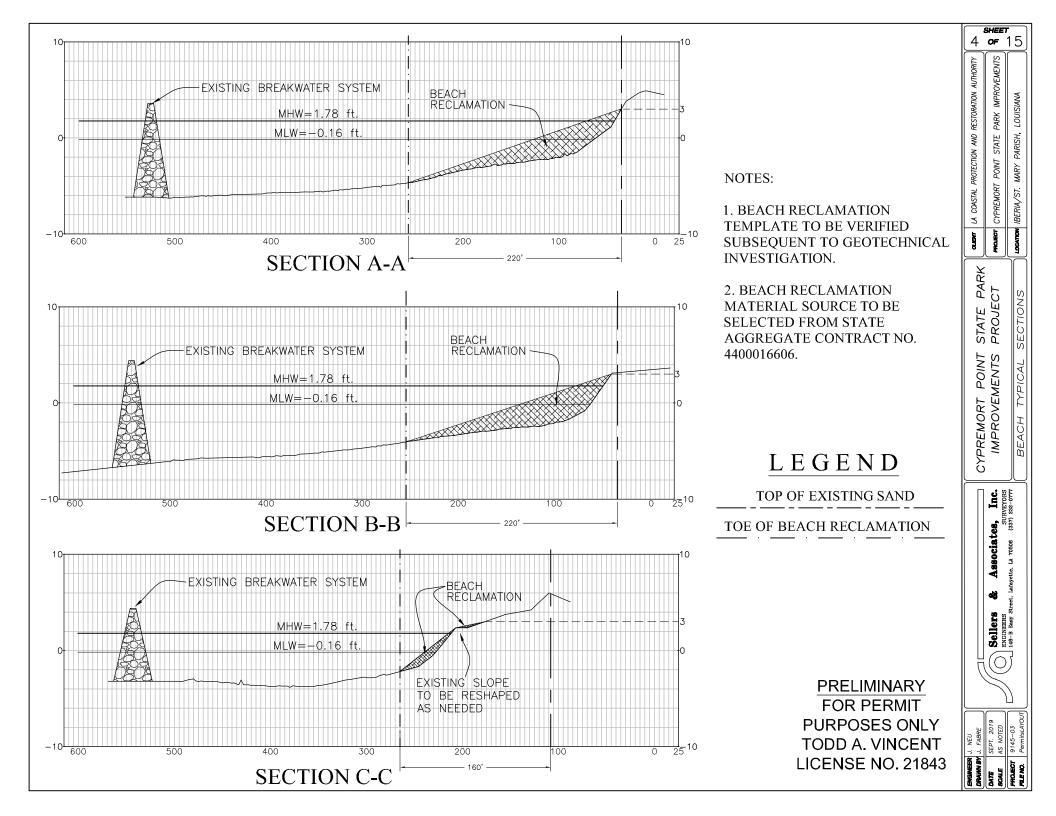
Darrell S. Barbara Chief, Western Evaluation Section Regulatory Branch

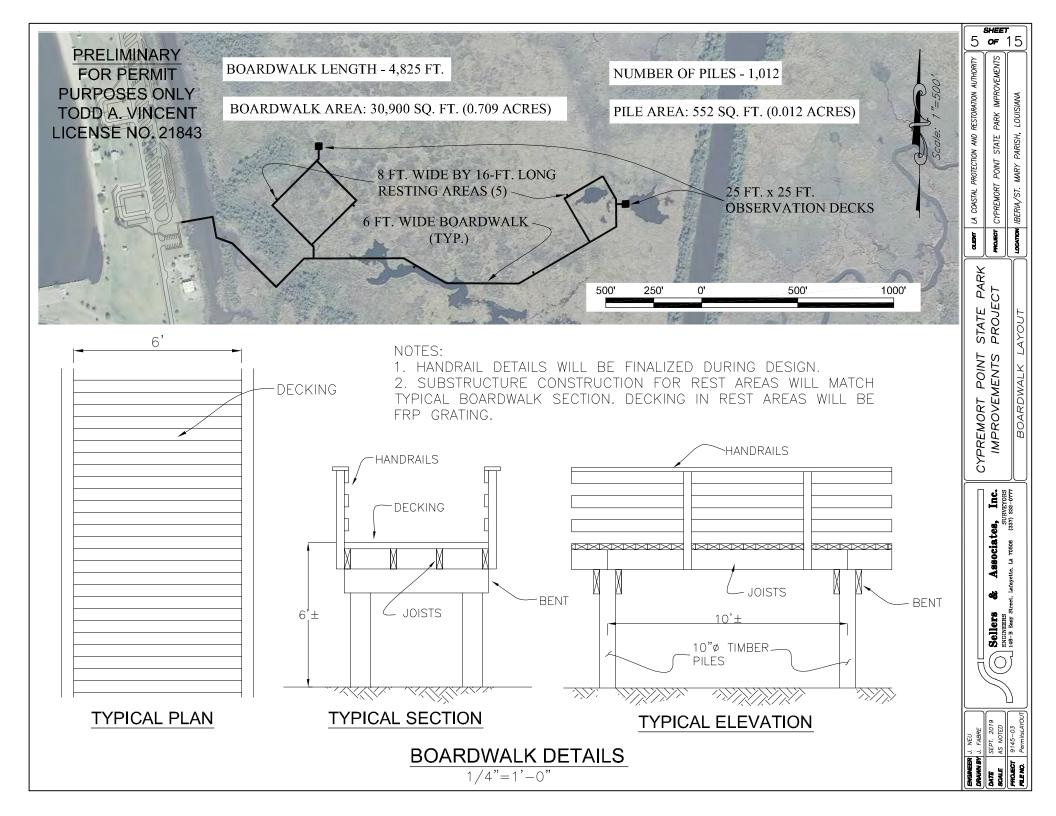
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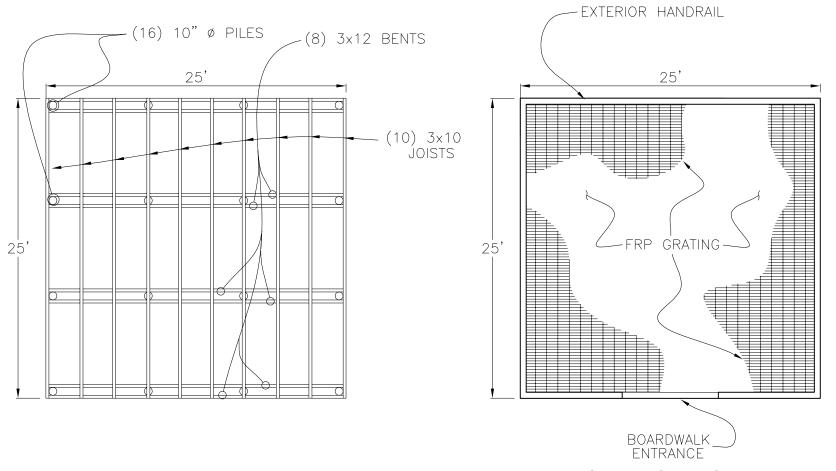




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#### NOTES:

- 1. THE BOARDWALK SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN A MANNER THAT MINIMIZES IMPACTS TO THE VEGETATED WETLANDS IN THE AREA WHERE THE BOARDWALK IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED. SHUTTLING OF TIMBER CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL, SUPPLIES AND FUEL SHALL BE PLANNED TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF PASSES WITH AMPHIBIOUS EQUIPMENT (MARSH BUGGIES), IF UTILIZED.
- 2. OBSERVATION AREAS AND REST AREAS SHALL BE PARTIALLY SHADED WITH PERMENANT STRUCTURES WITH REMOVABLE CANOPY—STYLE SHADE ELEMENTS (SEE SHEET 6a).
- 3. THE CANOPY COMPONENTS OF THESE STRUCTURES SHALL BE INSTALLED TO PROVIDE 10-FEET OF VERTICAL CLEARANCE ABOVE THE DECKING (SEE SHEET 6a).



**SUBSTRUCTURE** 

## SUPERSTRUCTURE

(SHADING SYSTEM NOT SHOWN)

OBSERVATION DECK DETAILS

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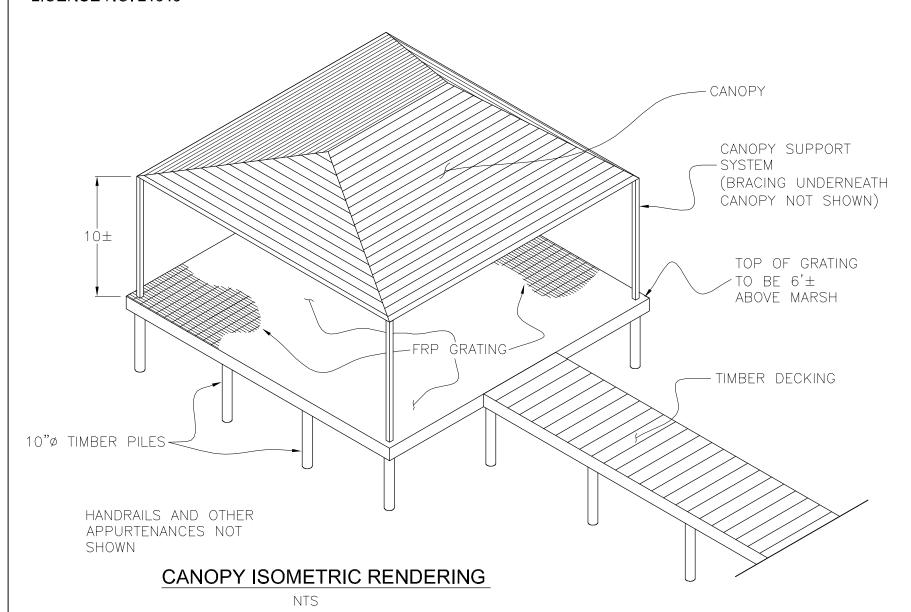
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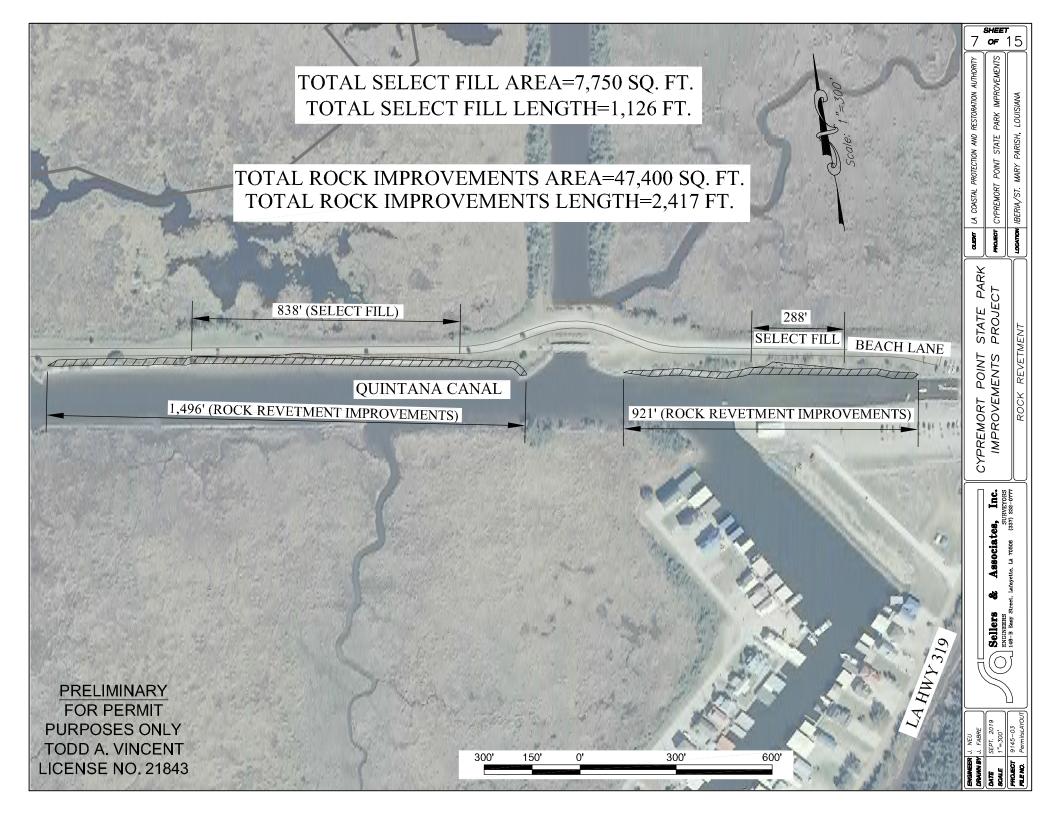
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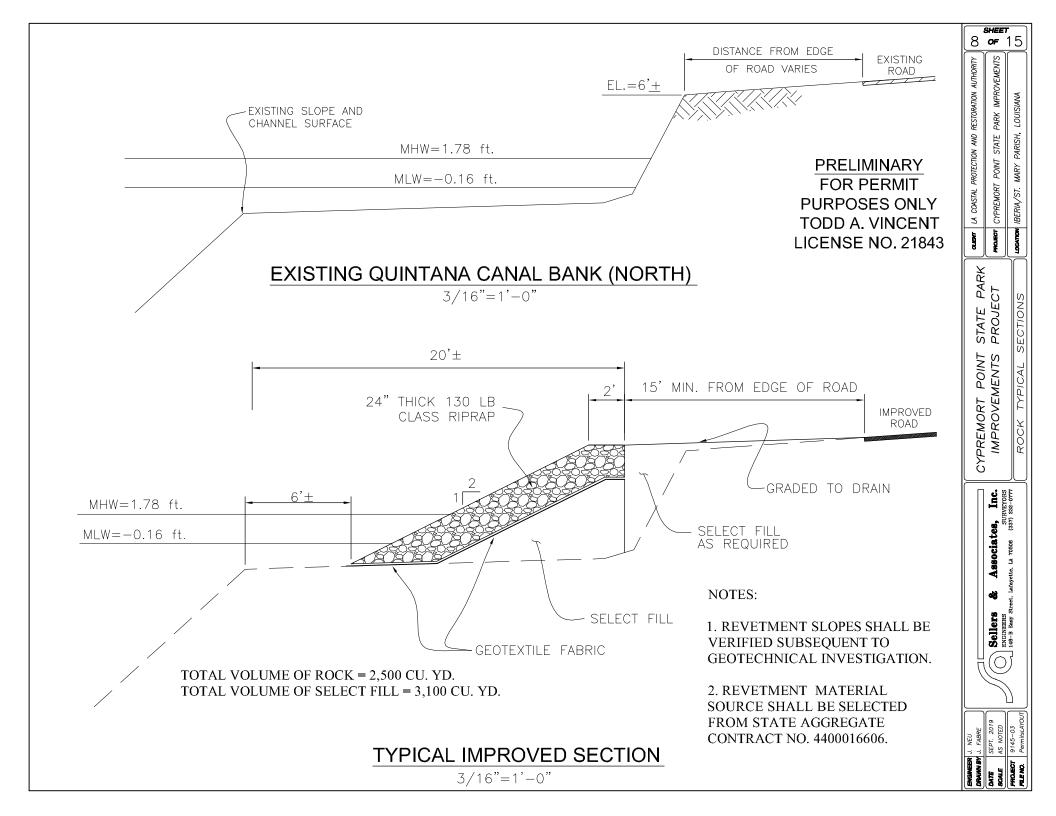
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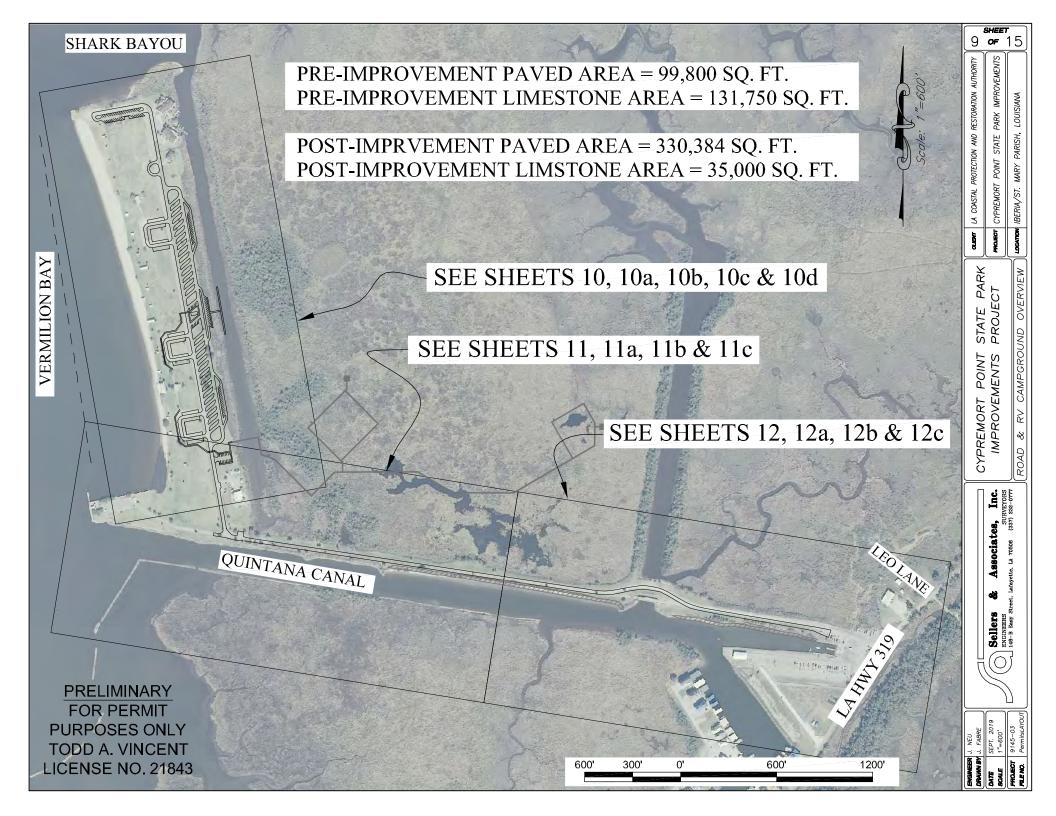


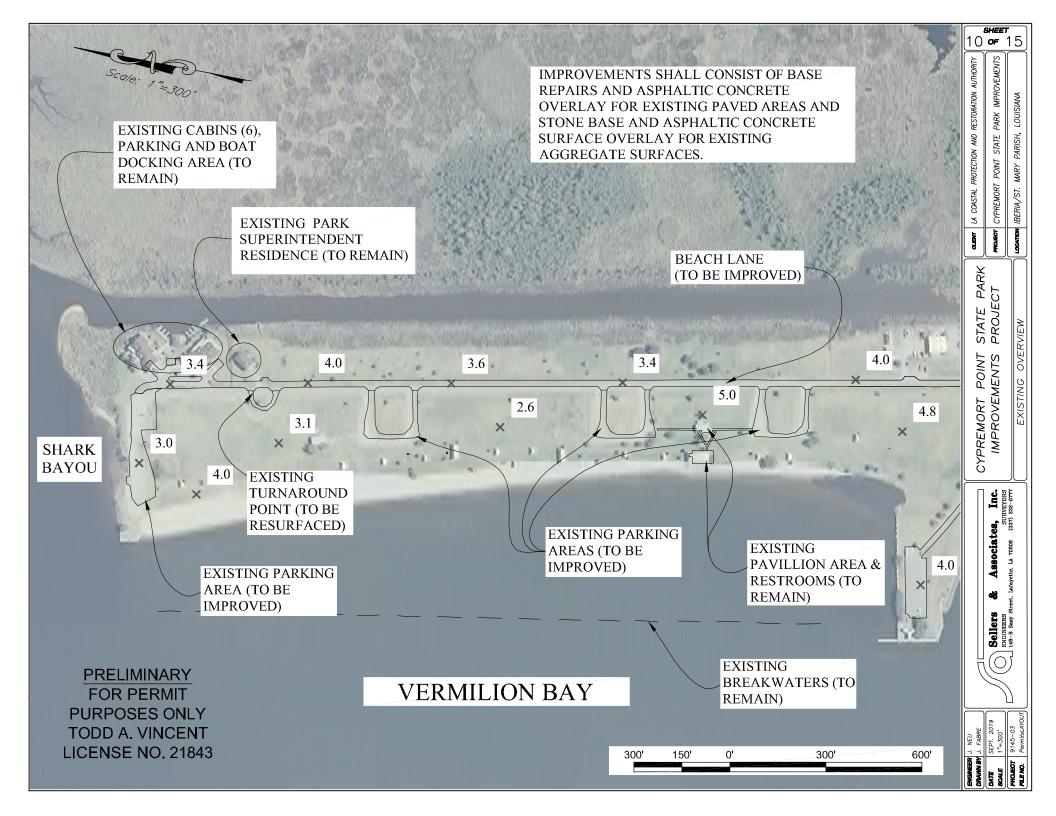
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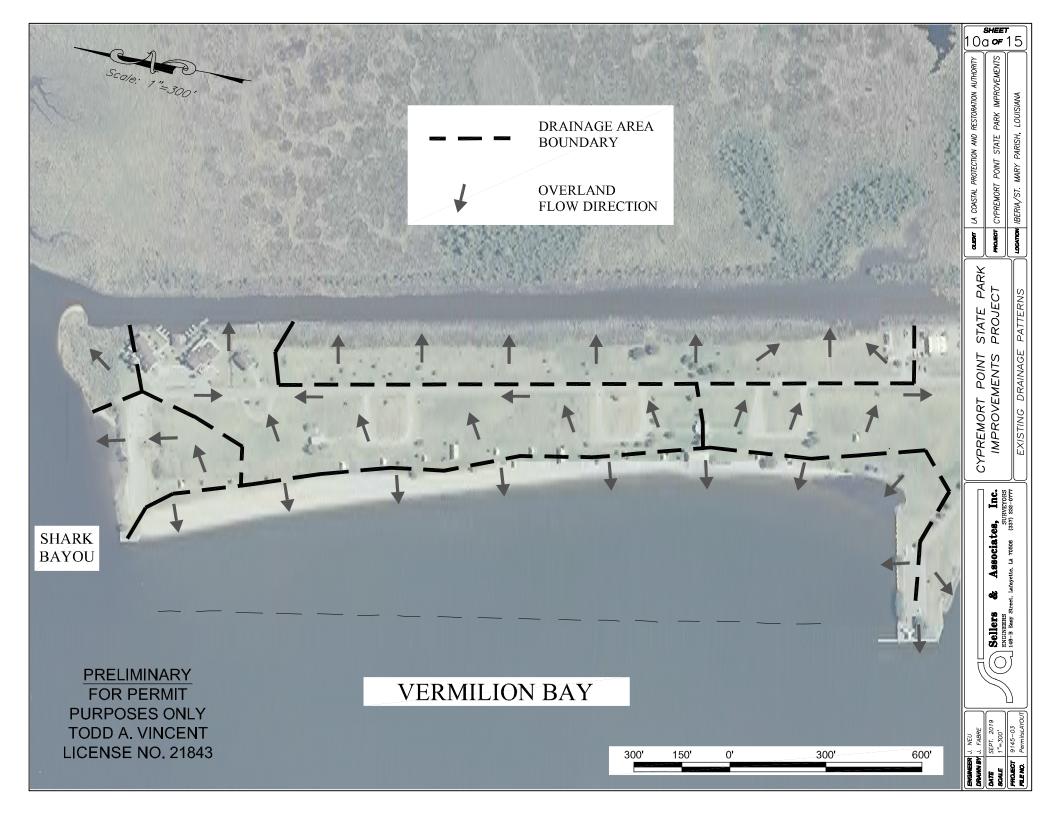
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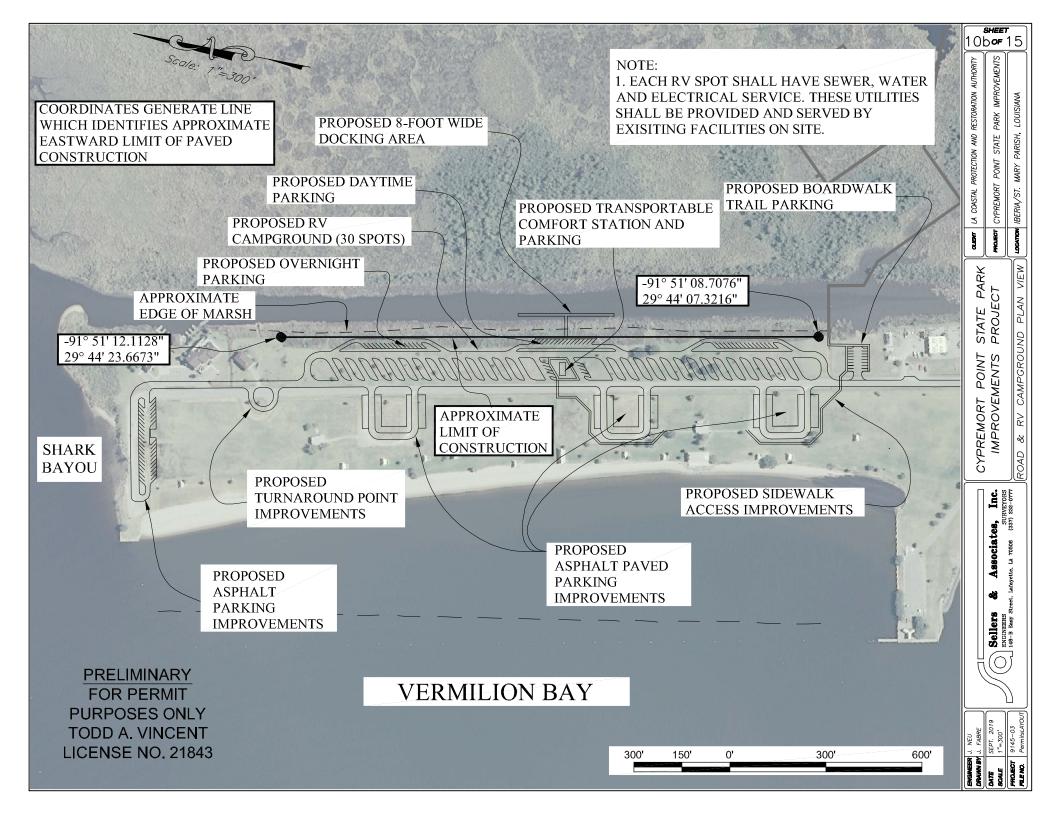


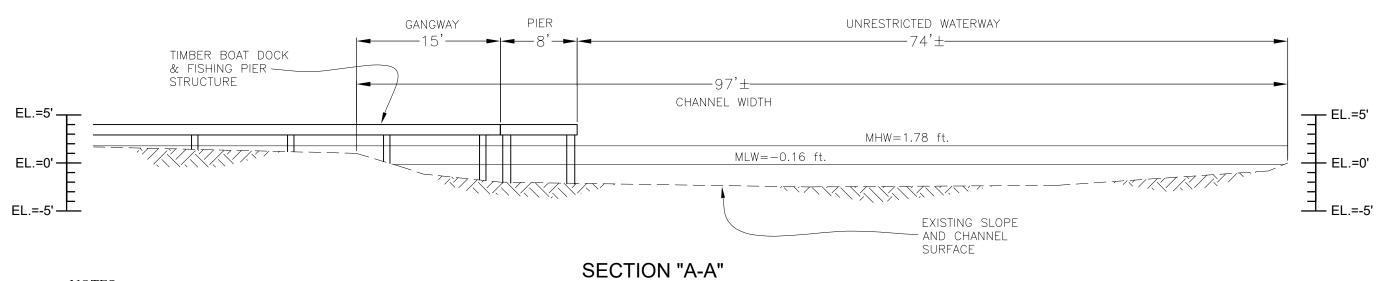












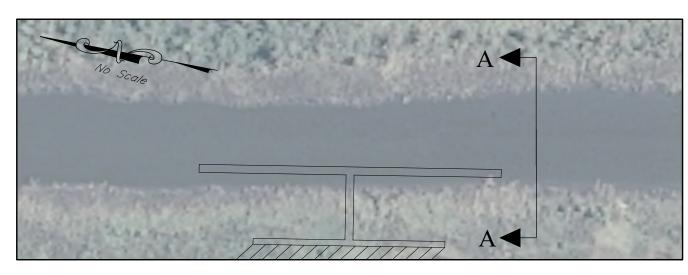
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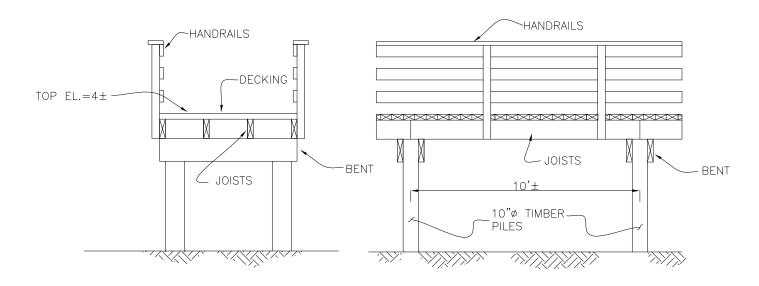
2. BOAT DOCK AND FISHING PIER STRUCTURE SURFACE AREA ABOVE WATERWAY EQUALS 2,400 SQ. FT.

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PLAN VIEW OF FISHING PIER AND DOCK

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### TYPICAL GANGWAY AND PIER DETAILS

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SCALE	AS SHOWN	
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BOAT DOCK AND FISHING PIER DETAILS
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