

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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Regulatory Branch
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State of Louisiana
Department of Environmental Quality
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Attn: Water Quality Certifications

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MVN-2014-00163-WPP

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Project Manager
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WQC Application Number
WQC # 140508-01

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 ATTAKAPAS CANAL RESTORATION PROJECT IN ASSUMPTION PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Assumption Parish, c/o: Benjamin Richard, 748 Main Street, Suite B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802.

DESCRIPTION: The proposed Attakapas Canal Restoration Project would include: 1) Dredging the Attakapas Canal from its intersection with Lake Verret, for a distance of approximately 2,000 feet inland, as well as dredging an area of the lake near the public boat launch, 2) The hydraulically dredged material is to be used beneficially to improve shoreline stabilization, and create forested habitat on the lake's edge near the canal entrance and to the east of the canal, 3) Bald cypress trees would be planted on the edge of the disposal site for stabilization. Approximately 15 acres of wetlands and/or waters of the US would be impacted by this proposed development, near Napoleonville, Louisiana, in Assumption Parish. Impacts to wetlands will be minimized and dredged material would be used to create and restore approximately 15 acres of cypress wetland habitat in the project area. The dredged material would be pumped into trucks and placed within the disposal site by truck. The edge of the disposal material would be lined with cypress trees planted at 5-foot intervals for stabilization and restoration of the swamp. The project falls under the Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP), and has been approved by the State of Louisiana and has previously undergone a public review under the CIAP process. The permittee has proposed that the project's net benefits will outweigh the detriments.

LOCATION: Located at Latitude 29.85056, Longitude -91.10306, Section 37, Township 14 South, Range 13 East, near Napoleonville, Louisiana, in Assumption Parish. The Project is located within the Lafourche/Barataria Watershed, Hydrologic Unit 08090301.

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, 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 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.

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 0.00 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 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.

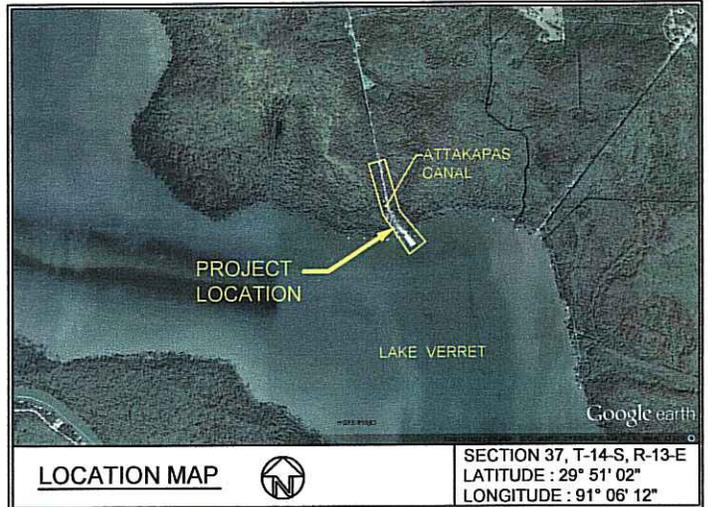
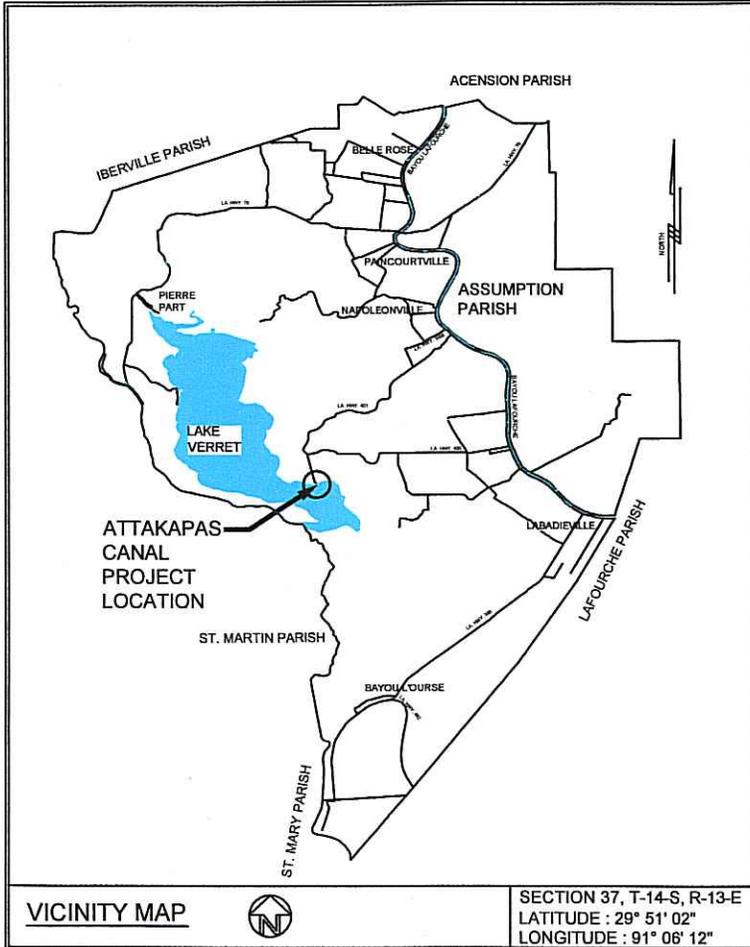
You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

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.

Darrell S. Barbara
Chief, Western Evaluation Section
Regulatory Branch

Attachments

**COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
FOR
ATTAKAPAS CANAL HYDROLOGIC RESTORATION
ASSUMPTION PARISH, LA.**

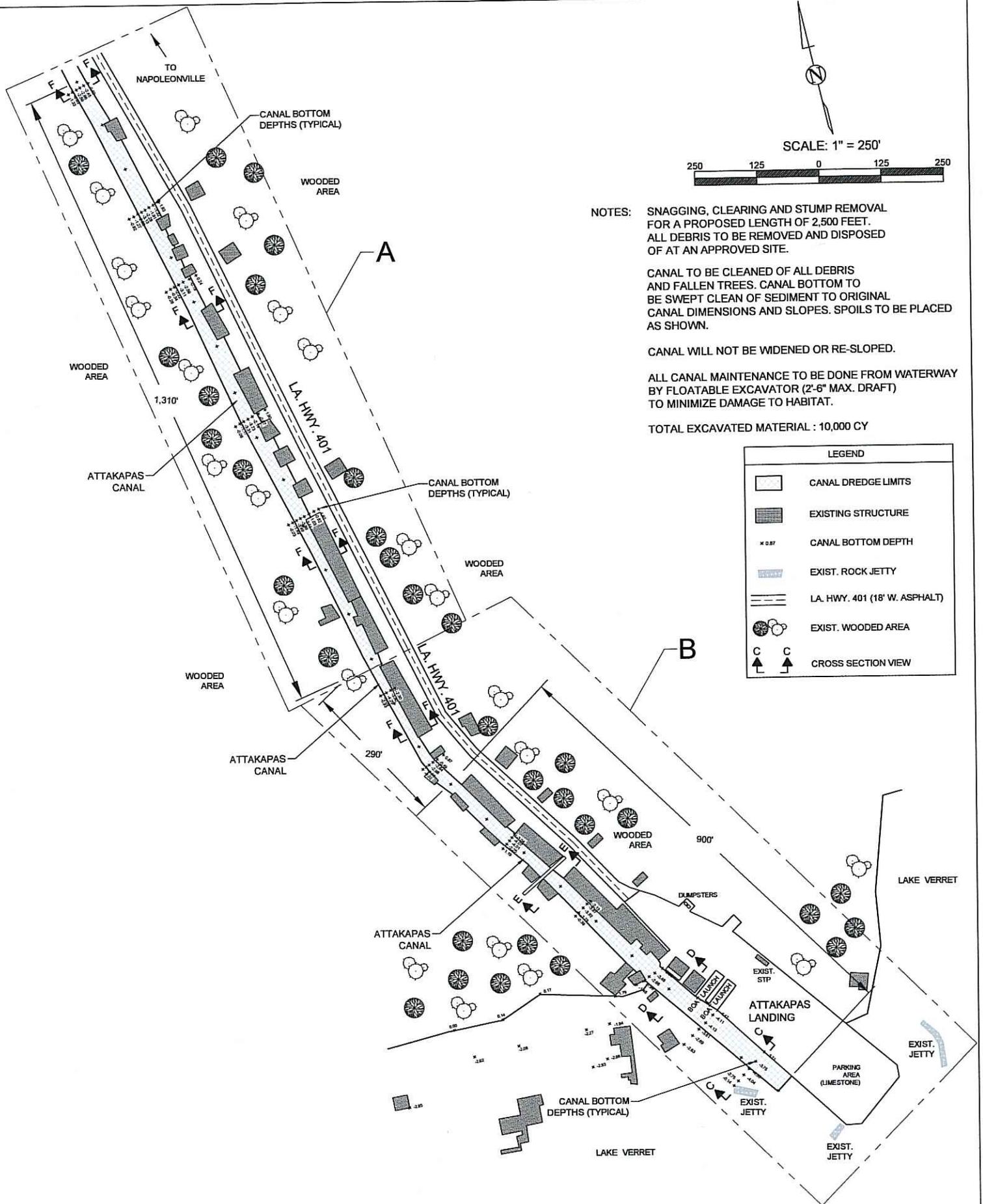


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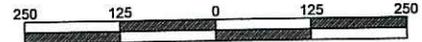
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SCALE: 1" = 250'



NOTES: SNAGGING, CLEARING AND STUMP REMOVAL FOR A PROPOSED LENGTH OF 2,500 FEET. ALL DEBRIS TO BE REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF AT AN APPROVED SITE.

CANAL TO BE CLEANED OF ALL DEBRIS AND FALLEN TREES. CANAL BOTTOM TO BE SWEEPED CLEAN OF SEDIMENT TO ORIGINAL CANAL DIMENSIONS AND SLOPES. SPOILS TO BE PLACED AS SHOWN.

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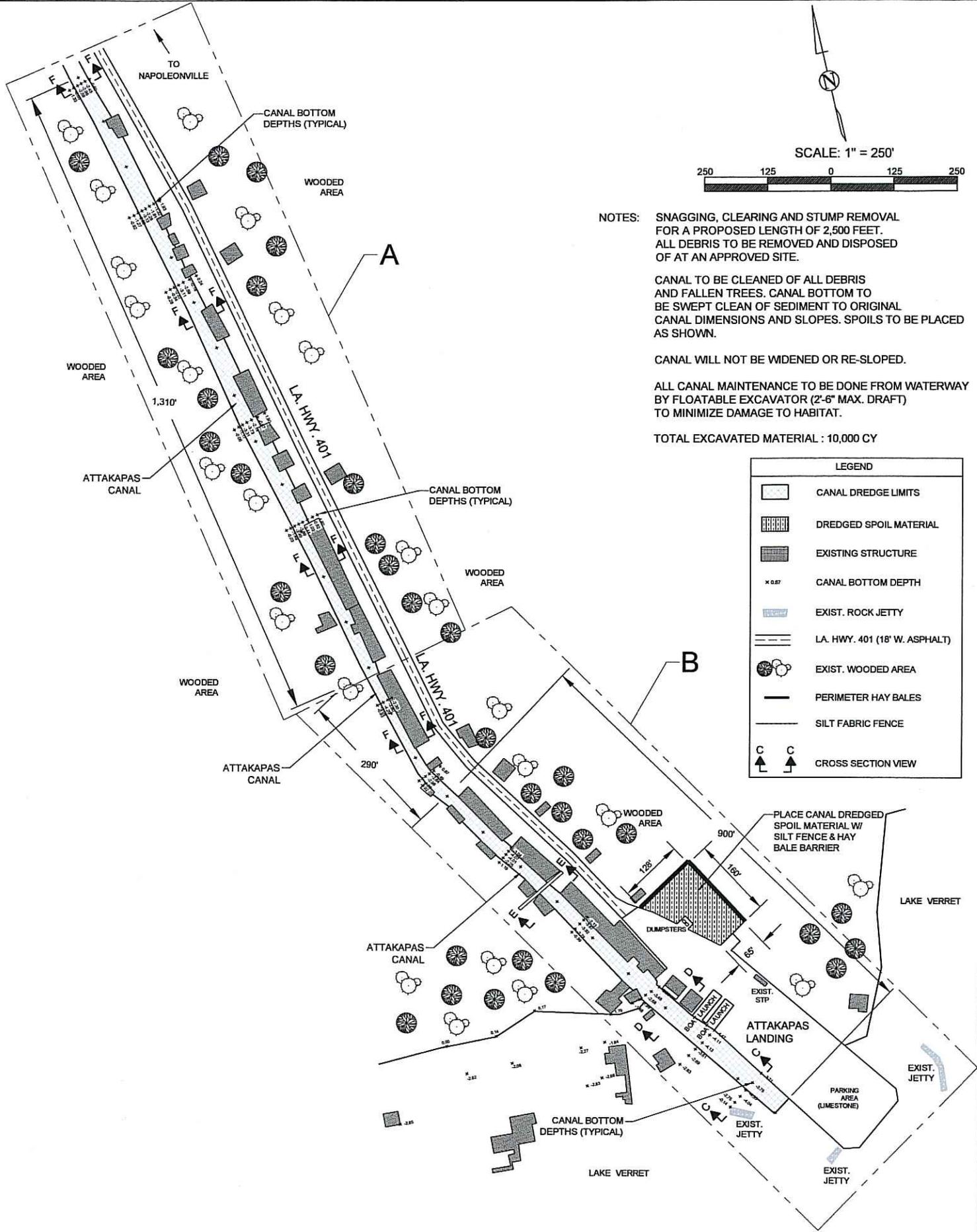
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LEGEND	
	CANAL DREDGE LIMITS
	EXISTING STRUCTURE
	CANAL BOTTOM DEPTH
	EXIST. ROCK JETTY
	L.A. HWY. 401 (18' W. ASPHALT)
	EXIST. WOODED AREA
	CROSS SECTION VIEW

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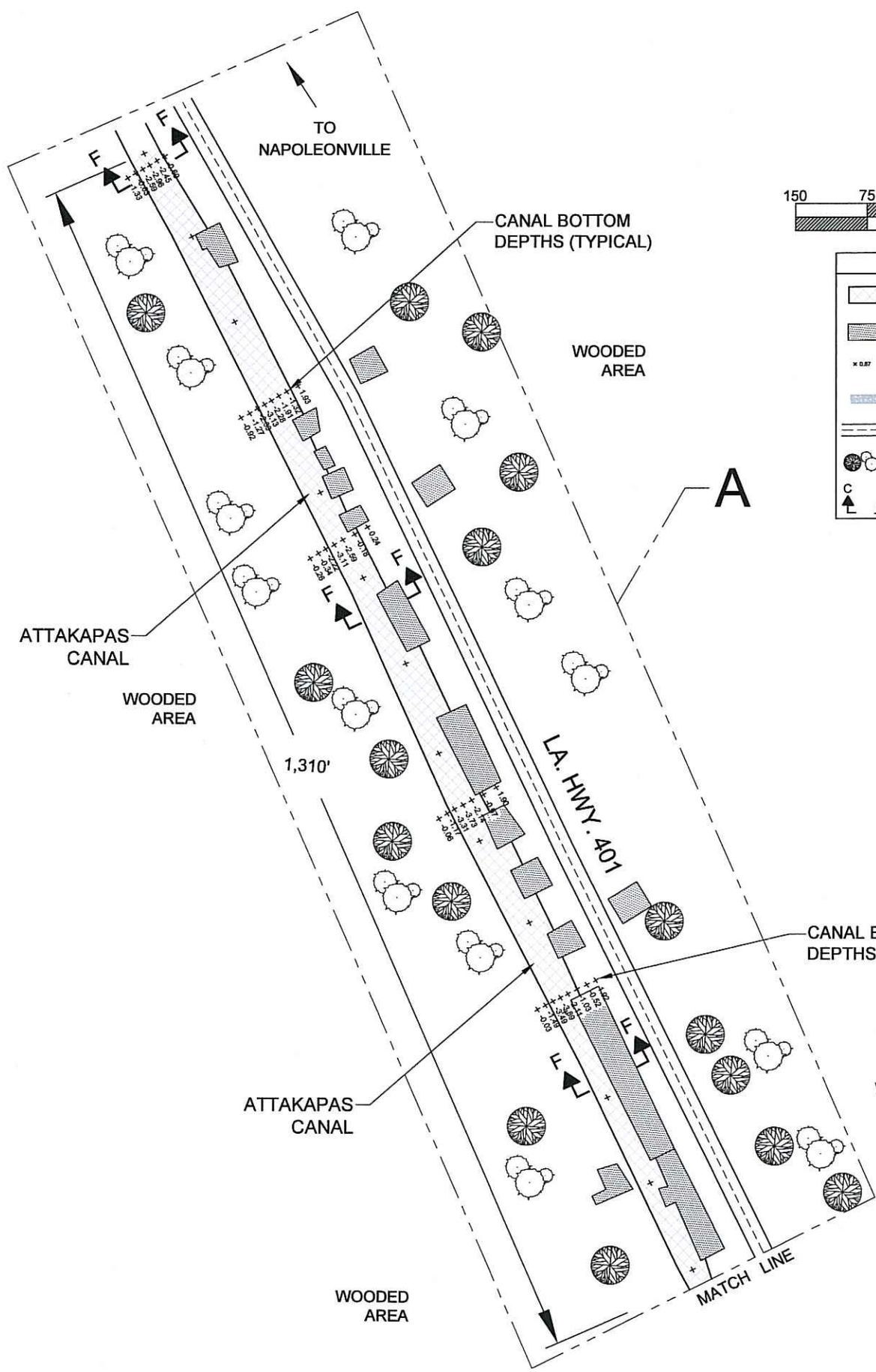
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	PERIMETER HAY BALES
	SILT FABRIC FENCE
	CROSS SECTION VIEW



SCALE: 1" = 150'



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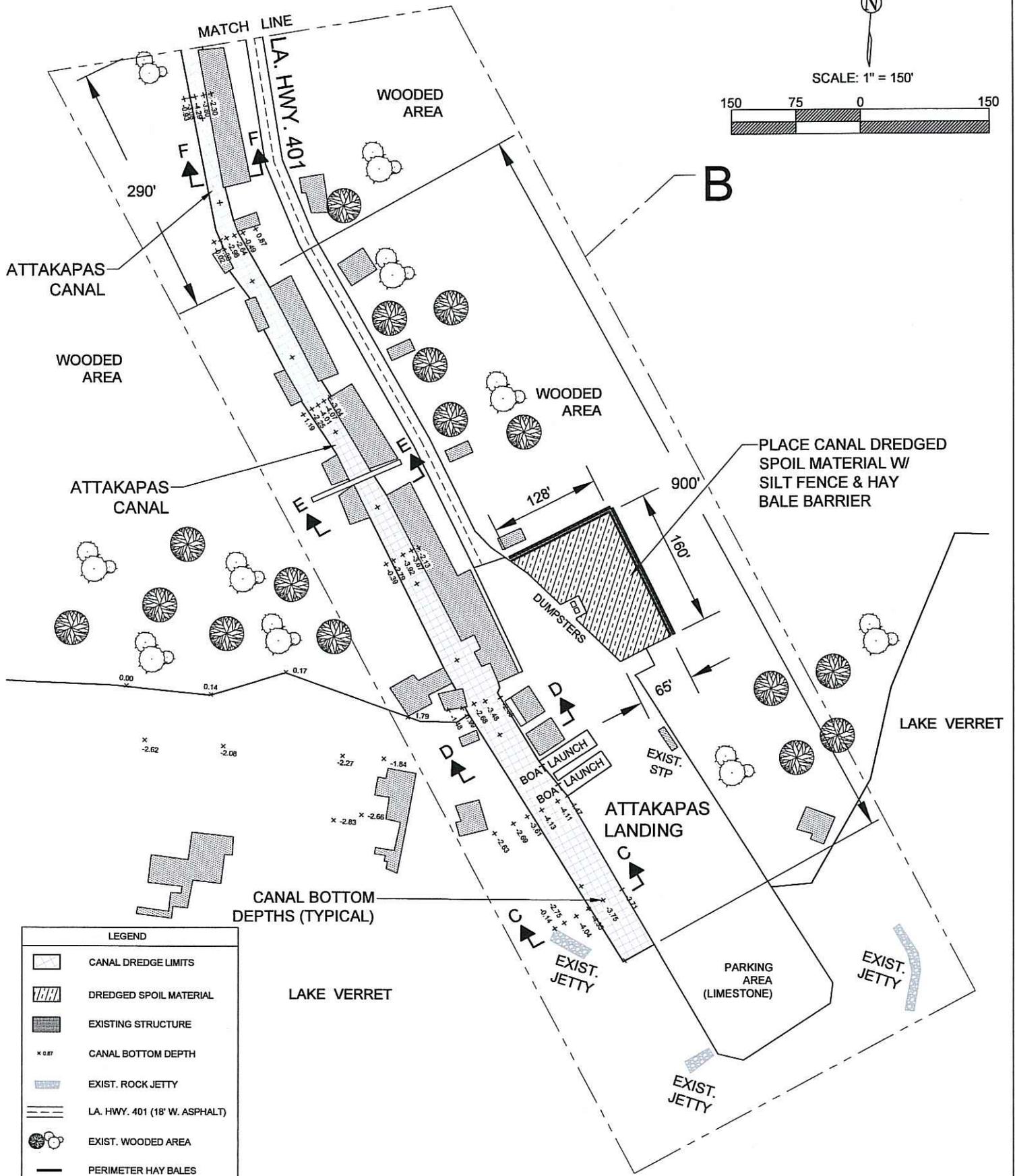
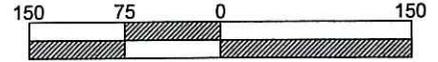
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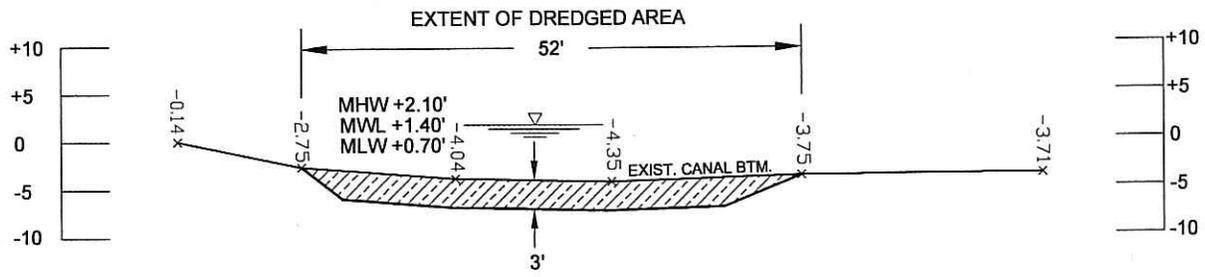
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	DREDGED SPOIL MATERIAL
	EXISTING STRUCTURE
x 0.87	CANAL BOTTOM DEPTH
	EXIST. ROCK JETTY
	L.A. HWY. 401 (18' W. ASPHALT)
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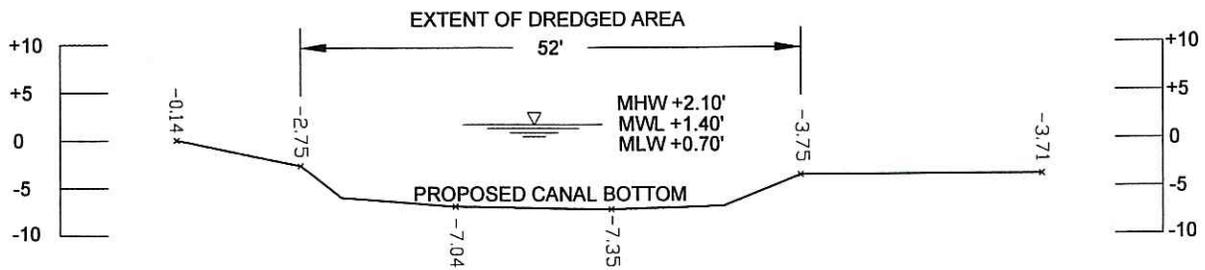
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PROPOSED SECTION "C-C"

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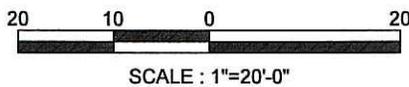
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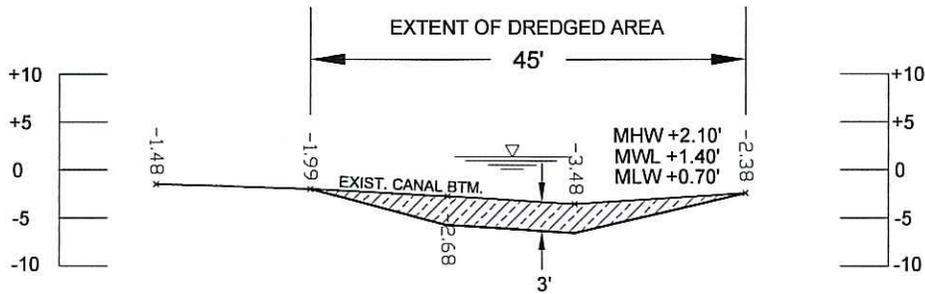
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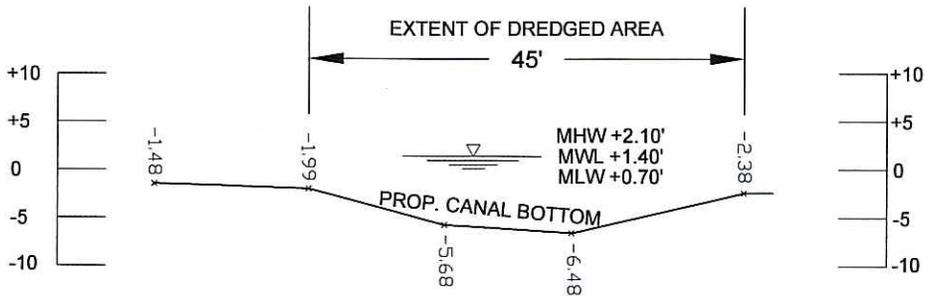


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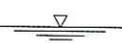
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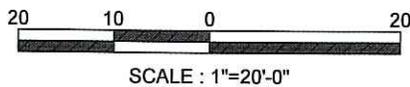
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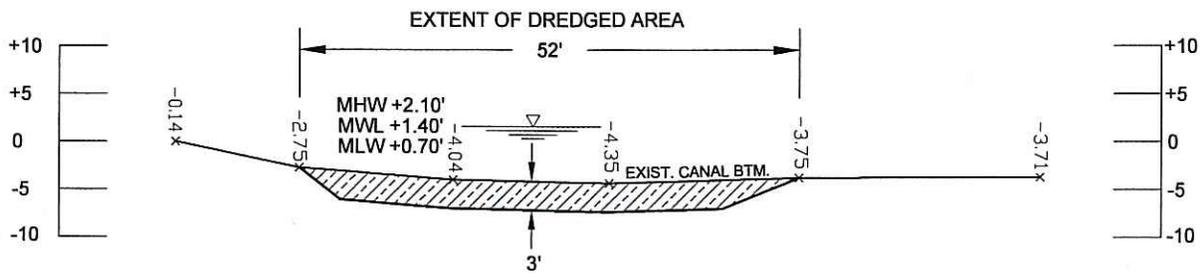
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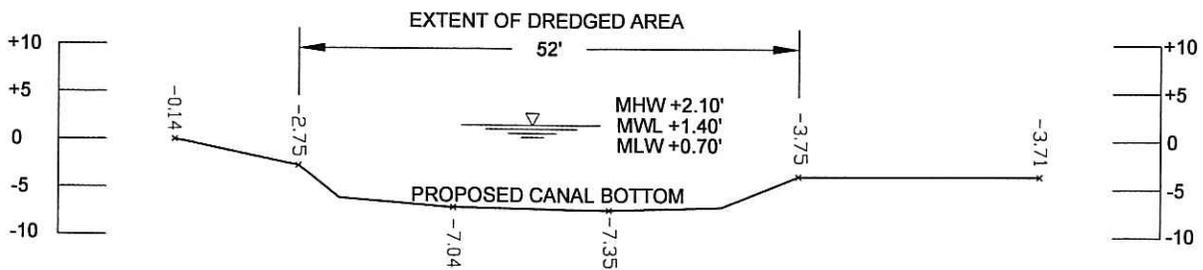
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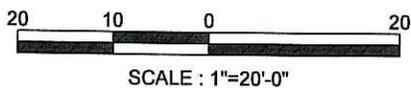
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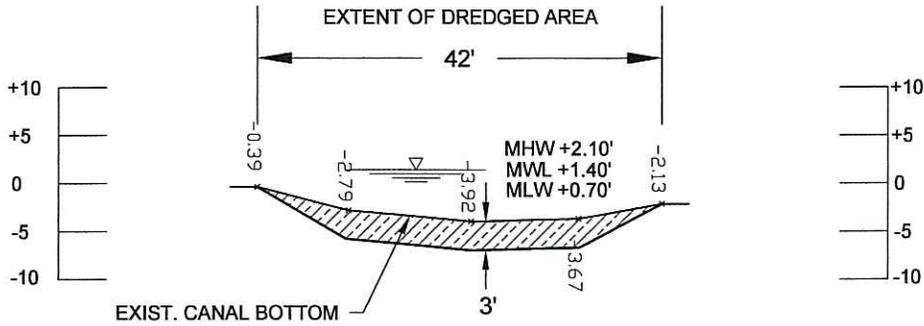
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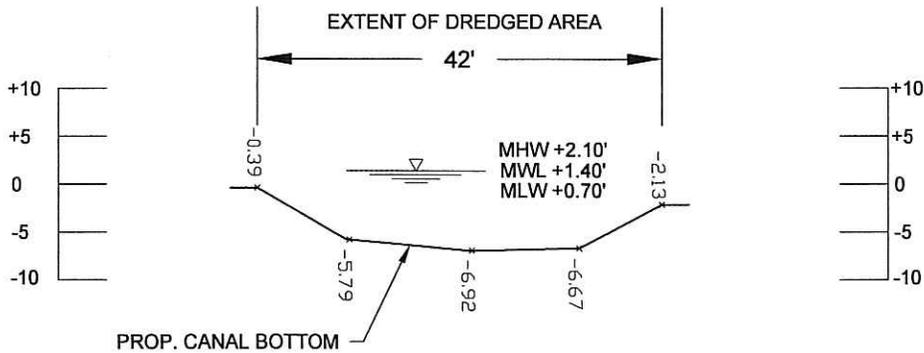
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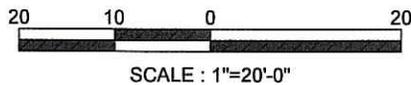
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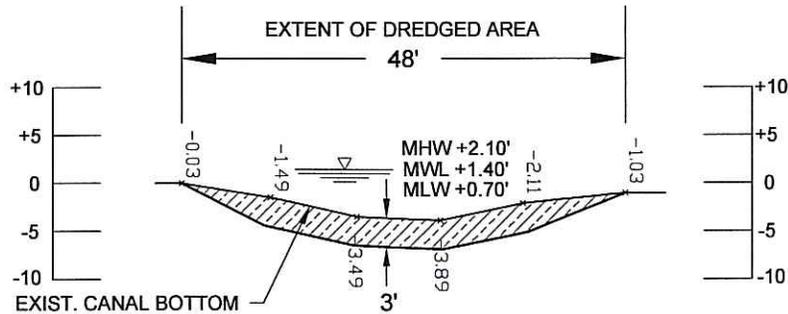


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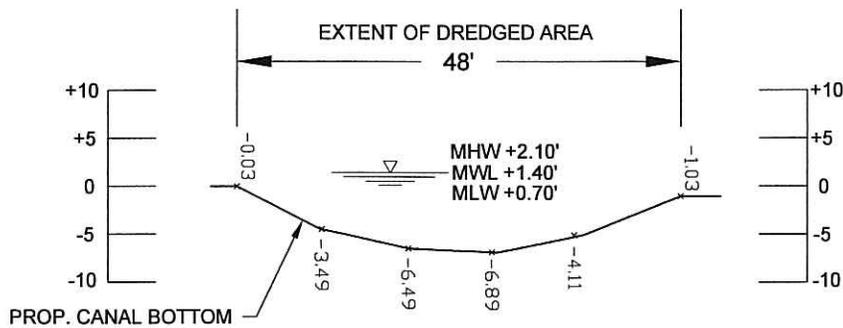
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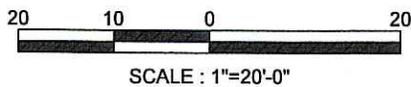
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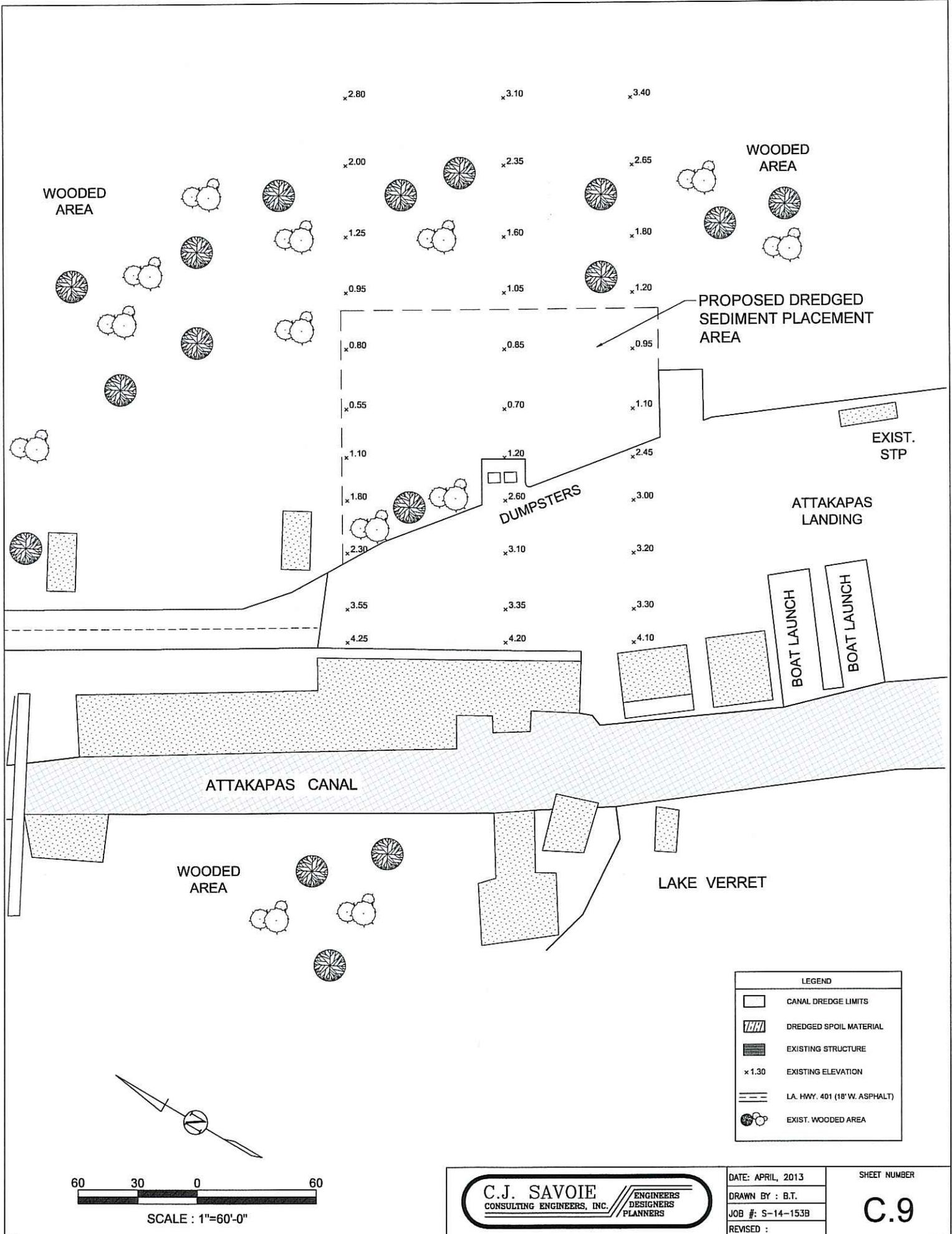
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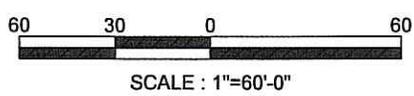
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	DREDGED SPOIL MATERIAL
	EXISTING STRUCTURE
x 1.30	EXISTING ELEVATION
	LA. HWY. 401 (18' W. ASPHALT)
	EXIST. WOODED AREA

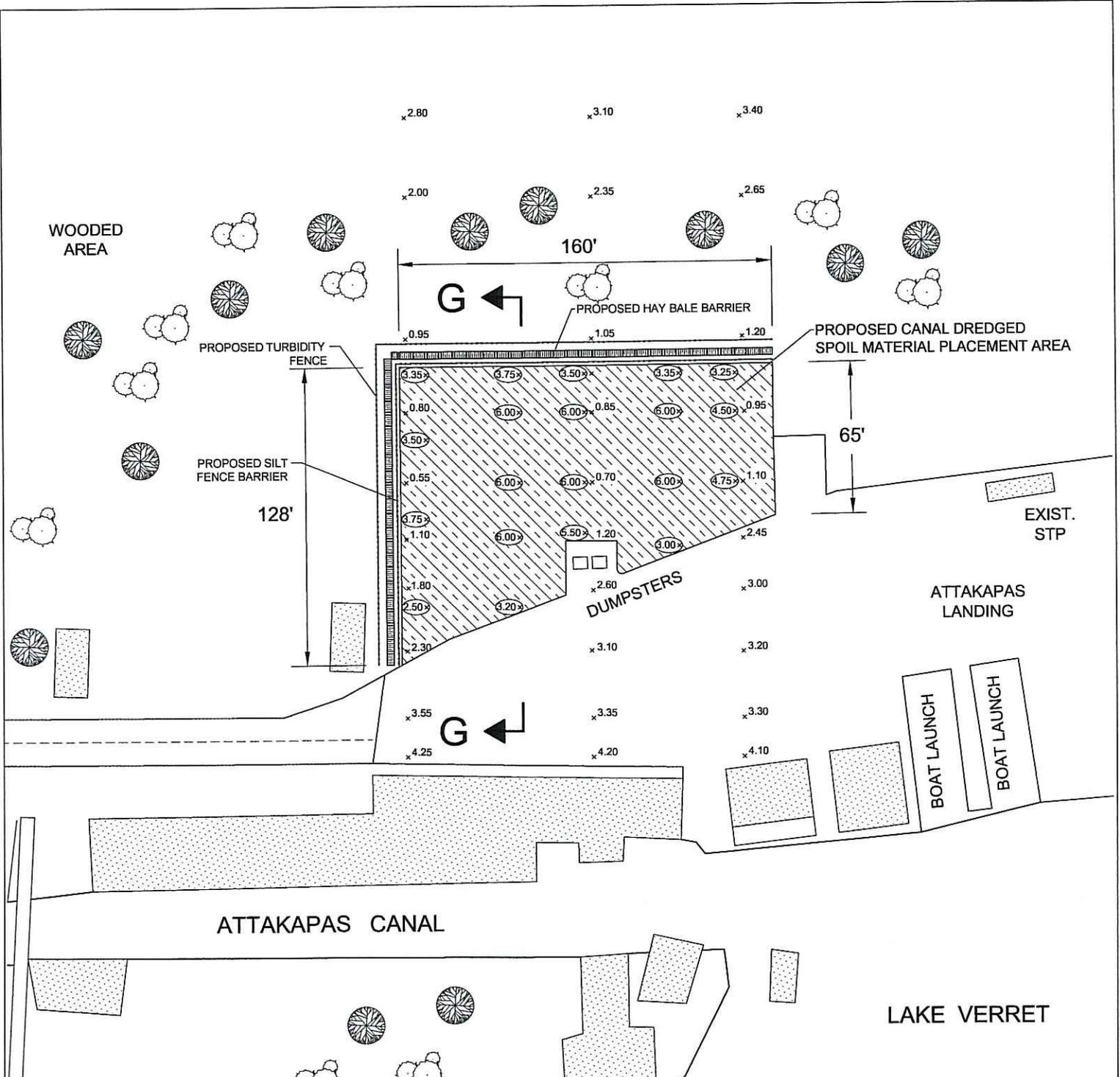


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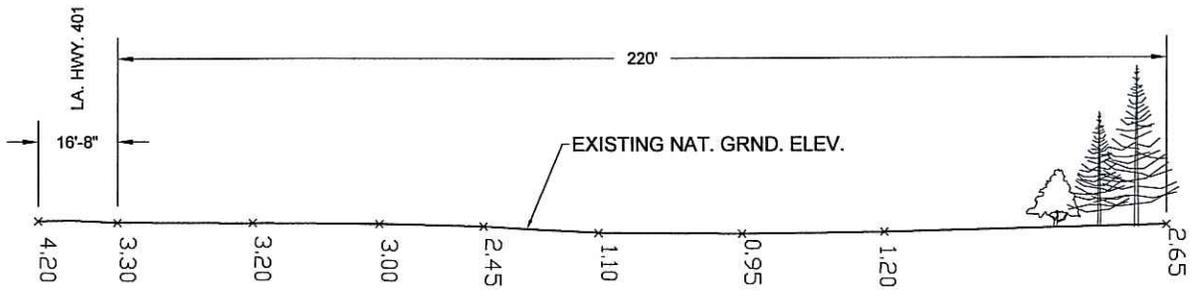
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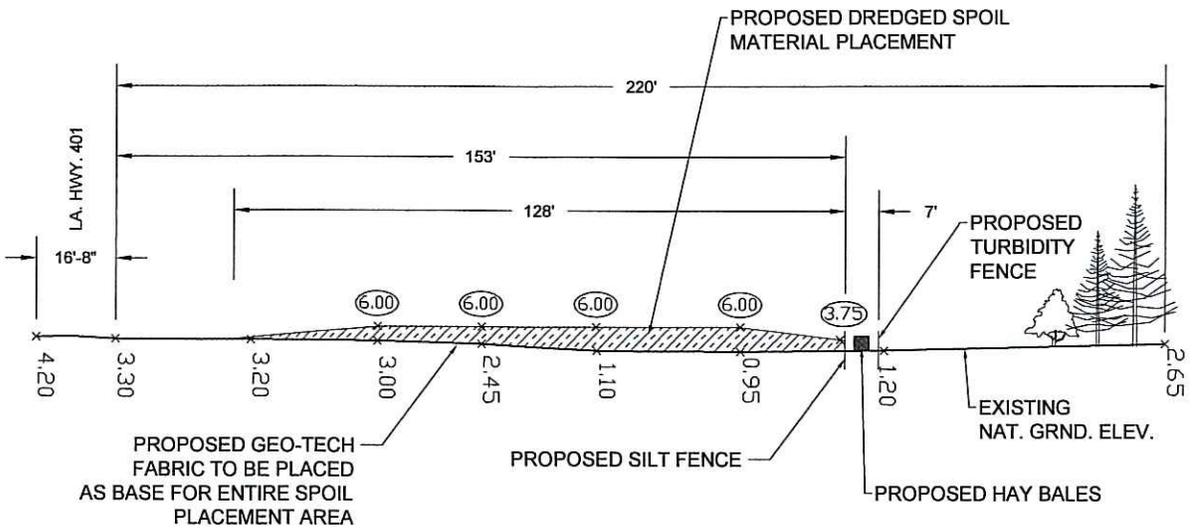
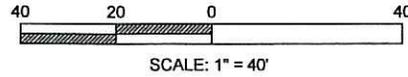


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	DREDGED SPOIL MATERIAL
	EXISTING STRUCTURE
x.0.07	EXISTING ELEVATION
	PROPOSED ELEVATION
	LA. HWY. 401 (18' W. ASPHALT)
	EXIST. WOODED AREA
	PERIMETER HAY BALES
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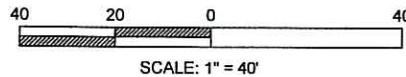
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EXISTING SECTION "G-G" PROFILE



PROPOSED SECTION "G-G" PROFILE

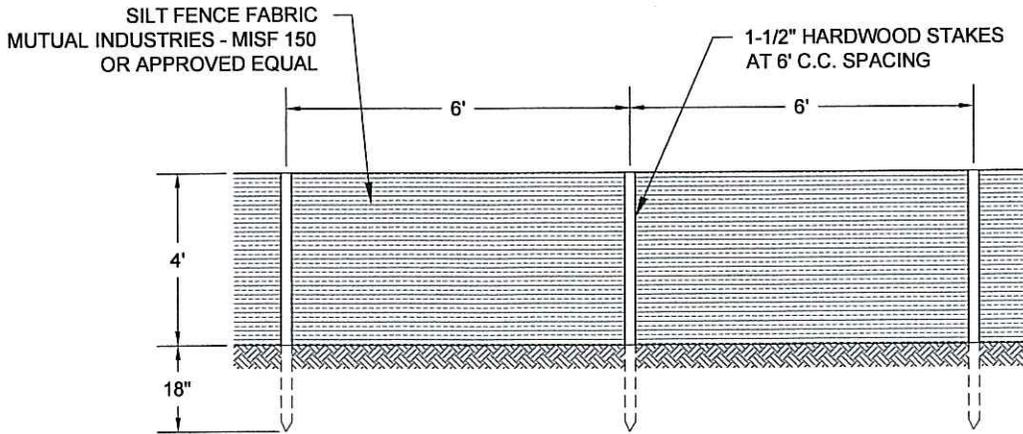


LEGEND	
	DREDGED SPOIL MATERIAL
x 0.97	EXISTING ELEVATION
(x 0.97)	PROPOSED ELEVATION
	EXIST. WOODED AREA
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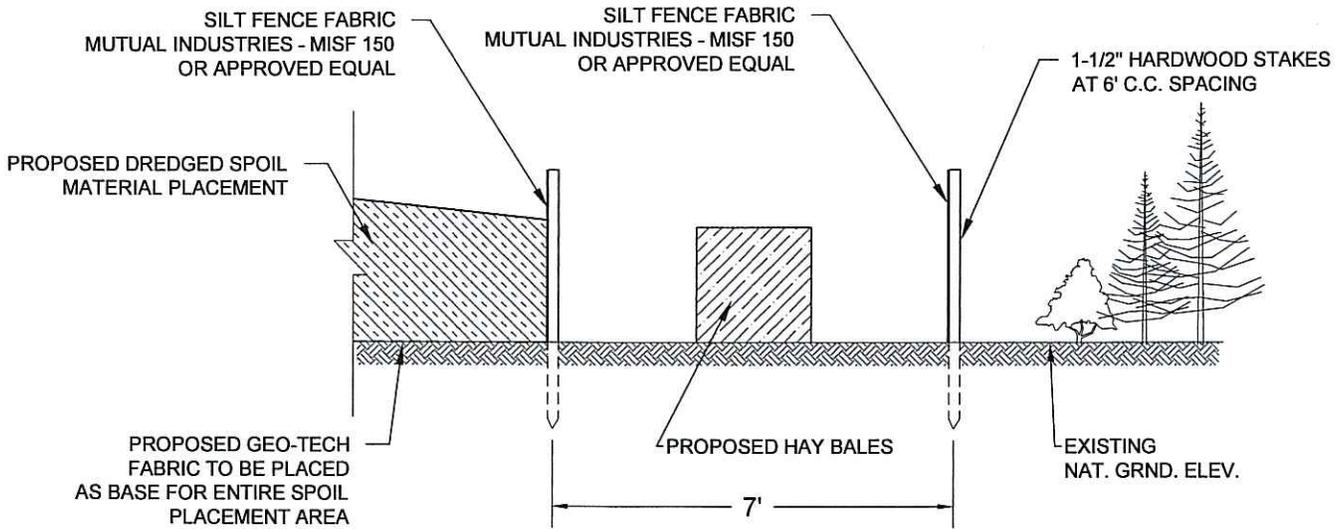
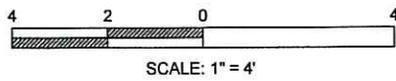
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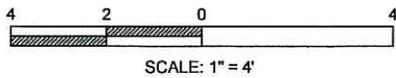
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SILT FENCE DETAIL



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