

# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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Project Manager  
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WQC Application Number  
WQC 180409-03

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 LRS30:2047 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

## **MOORING DOLPHINS, SOIL BORINGS, AND MAINTENANCE DREDGING in the MISSISSIPPI RIVER in PLAQUEMINES PARISH**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Chevron Pipeline Company, ATTN: C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC, Mr. Chad Soileau, at 5005 Riverway, Suite 300, Houston, Texas 77056.

**LOCATION OF WORK:** Located in the Mississippi River, left descending bank, at a point about 26.7 miles above Head of Passes, about 1.5 miles northwest of Buras, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the attached drawings.

**HUC:** 08090100; Lower Mississippi River – New Orleans

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** To install mooring pilings attached to existing walkways, conduct soil borings and maintenance dredging to allow larger vessels to load crude oil. Approximately 15,307 cubic yards of dredging is proposed for the removal of silt accumulation around the existing ship mooring area and the dredged material will be disposed of within the Mississippi River below the minus 55 foot contour. The applicant has stated there will be no impacts to jurisdictional wetlands, thus compensatory mitigation is not anticipated at this time.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close 30 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 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 would neither affect any species listed as endangered, nor habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of species listed as endangered by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Utilizing Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species in Louisiana (SLOPES), dated October 22, 2014, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Office, the Corps has determined that the proposed activity would have no effect on any listed species nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species of concern to the USFW.

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 N/A 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 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.

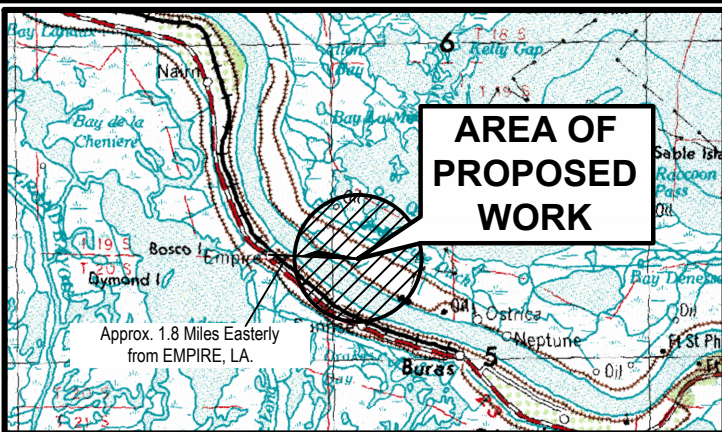
The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant received approval or a waiver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

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.

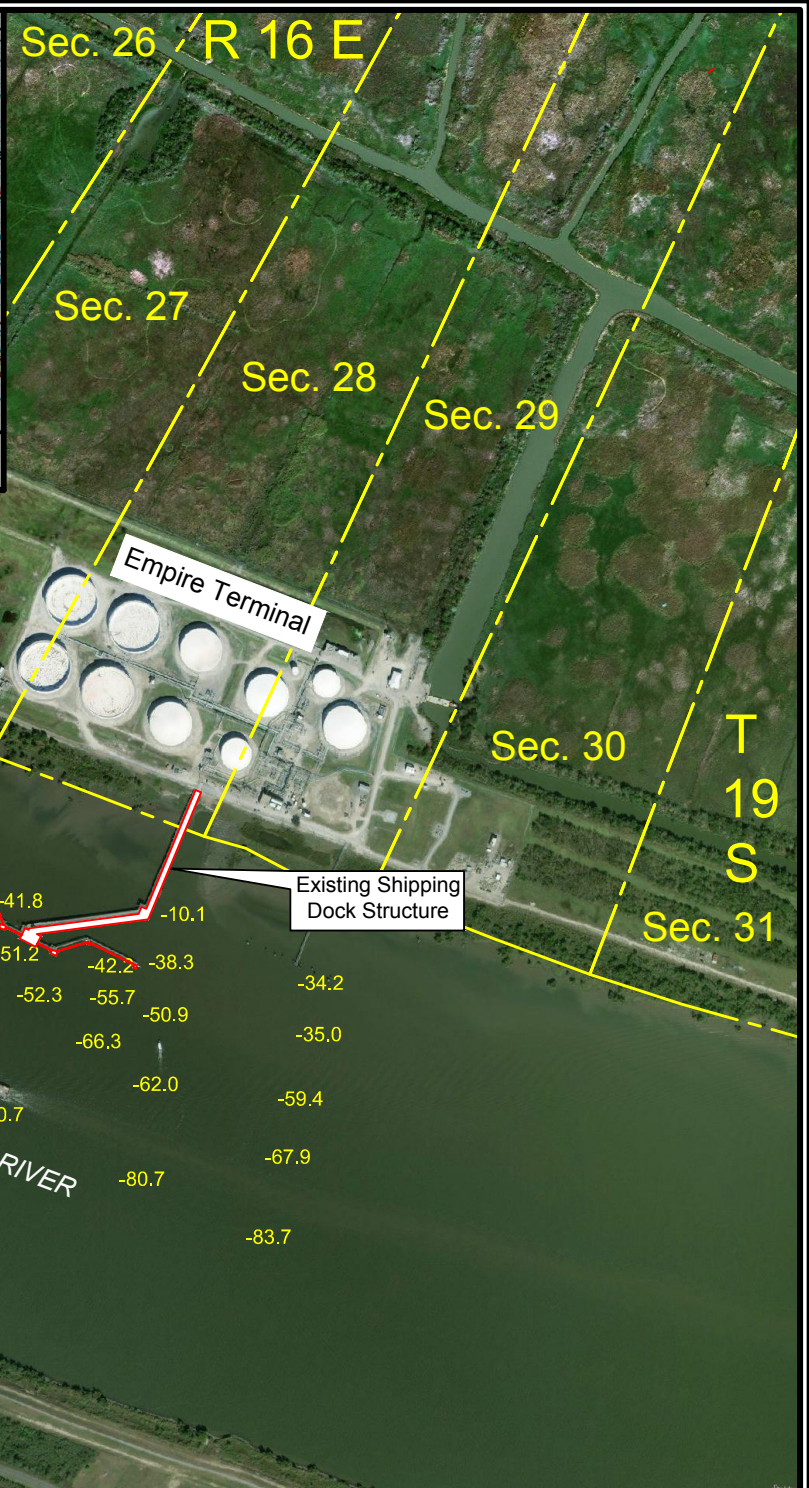
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Chief, Eastern Evaluation Section

Enclosure





VICINITY MAP  
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NAD 83 LOUISIANA SOUTH ZONE

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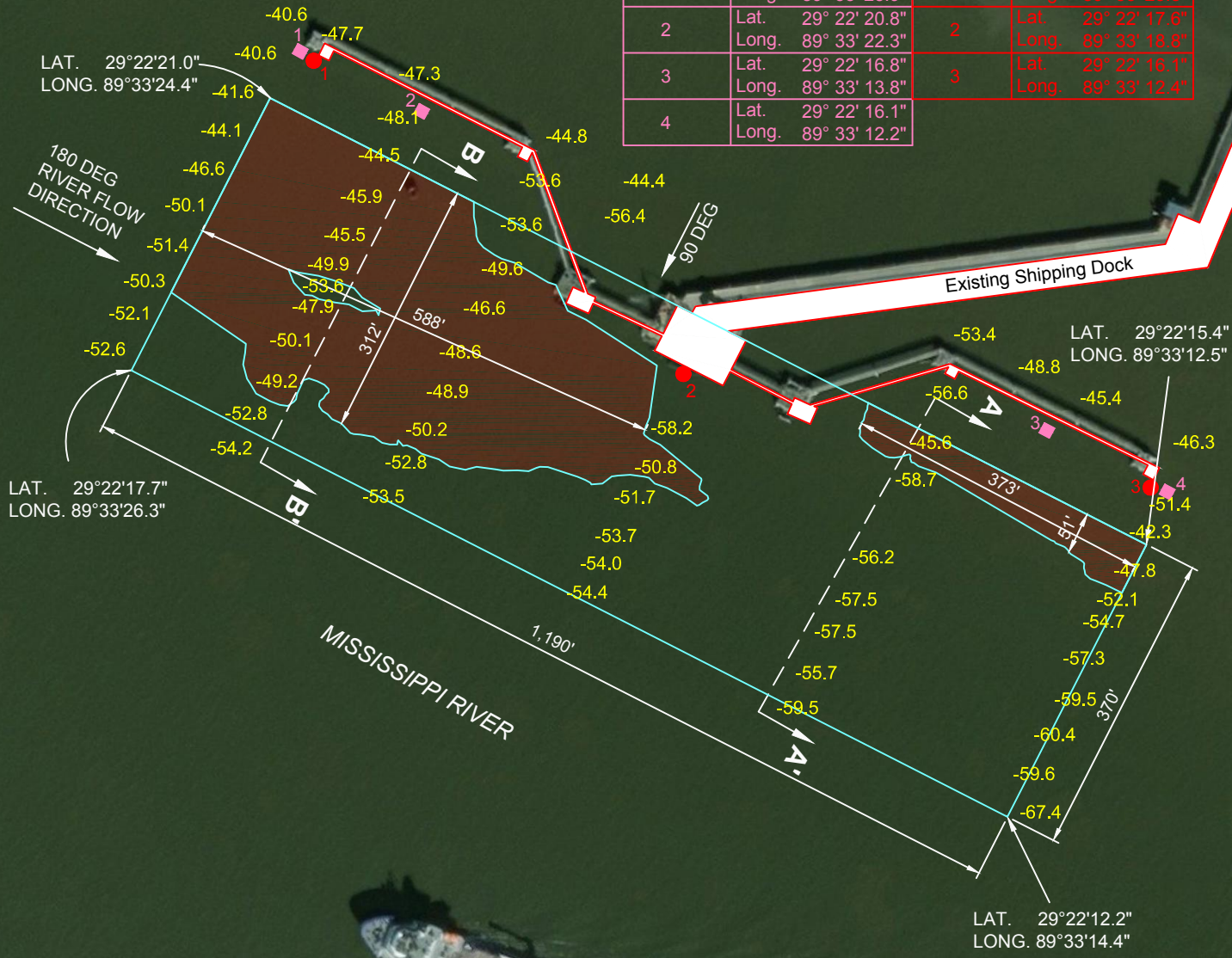
## CHEVRON PIPE LINE COMPANY

Proposed Mooring Dolphins, Soil Borings & Dredging  
Mississippi River  
Empire Terminal  
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

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2	Lat. 29° 22' 20.8" Long. 89° 33' 22.3"	2	Lat. 29° 22' 17.6" Long. 89° 33' 18.8"
3	Lat. 29° 22' 16.8" Long. 89° 33' 13.8"	3	Lat. 29° 22' 16.1" Long. 89° 33' 12.4"
4	Lat. 29° 22' 16.1" Long. 89° 33' 12.2"		



- PROPOSED DREDGE AREA
- PROPOSED MOORING DOLPHIN LOCATION
- PROPOSED SOIL BORE LOCATION

**NOTE:**  
Spoil to be deposited below the -55' contour

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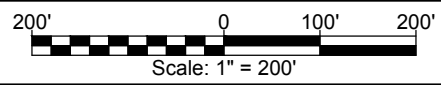
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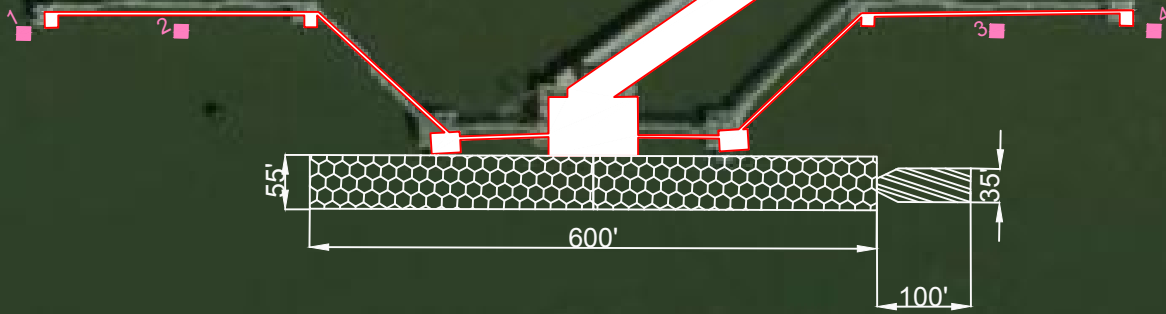
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# Pre-Project



EXISTING TUG AREA



PROPOSED BARGE AREA

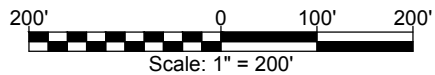
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# Proposed



PROPOSED TANKER AREA

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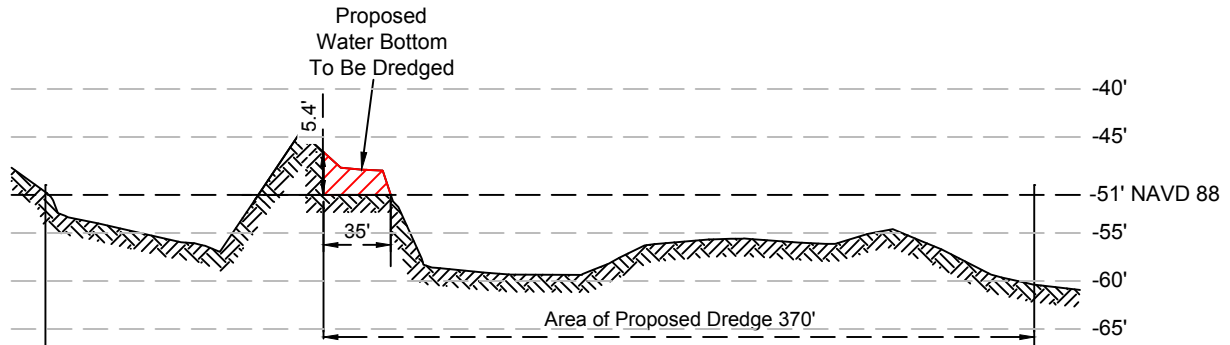
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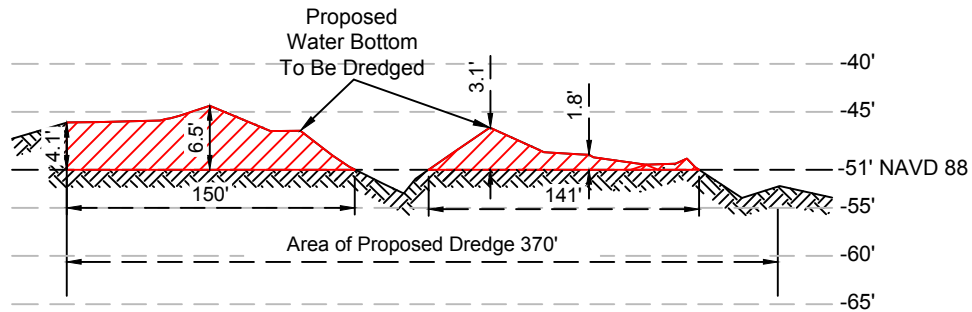


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**CROSS SECTION A-A'**

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Vertical Scale 1"=20'



**CROSS SECTION B-B'**

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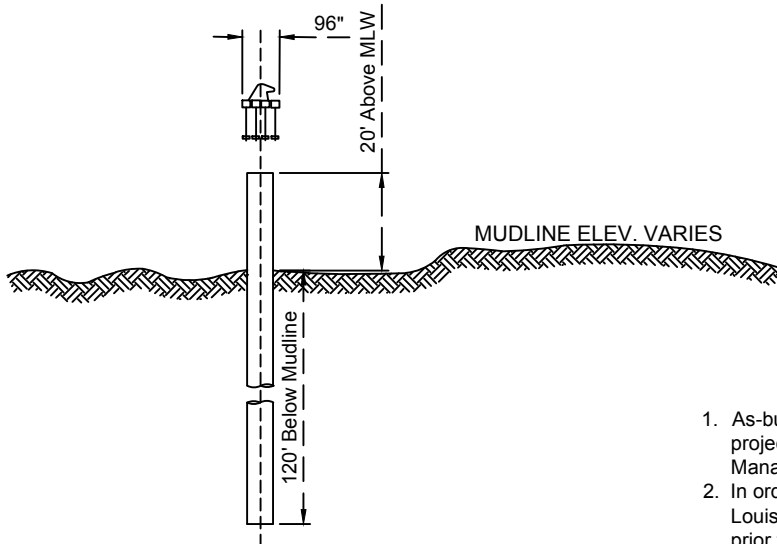
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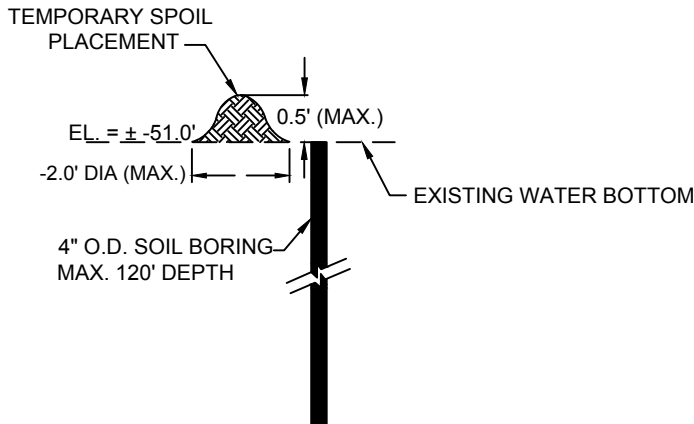
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TOTAL DREDGE REQUIRED . . . . .15,307 CU. YDS.  
 TOTAL IMPACT DUE TO DREDGING . . . . .3.87 ACRES

DREDGE REQUIRED WEST SIDE . . . . .11,986 CU. YDS.  
 TOTAL IMPACT WEST SIDE . . . . . 3.45 ACRES  
 DREDGE REQUIRED EAST SIDE . . . . .3321 CU. YDS.  
 TOTAL IMPACT EAST SIDE . . . . .0.42 ACRES



**SECTION - TYPICAL MOORING DOLPHIN**  
 NO SCALE



**TYPICAL SOIL BORING SECTION**  
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**NOTES:**

1. As-built drawings shall be submitted within 30 days of completion of this project to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Management Division, P.O. Box 44487, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4487
2. In order to ensure the safety of all parties, the permittee shall contact the Louisiana ONE CALL System (1-800-272-3020), a minimum of 48 hours prior to the commencement of any excavation (Digging, Dredging, Jetting, etc.) or demolition activity.
3. Structures will also be marked/lighted in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard regulations.
4. Access and all operations will take place in open water.
5. The proposed mooring dolphins will be connected to the existing walk ways.
6. The area where the project is located is all part of the aboriginal homelands of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana. As such, large villages, burial sites, and sacred sites were in place in that entire area. If at any time during the course of the work, any traditional cultural properties are discovered, Permittee shall immediately contact Kimberly S. Walden (Cultural Director) or Melanie Aymond (Research Coordinator) at (337) 923-9923 or (337) 923-4395. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. and on Friday between 7:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. If traditional cultural properties are discovered on the weekend or after business hours, the notification shall be made the next business morning.
7. Louisiana Natural Heritage Program: No impacts to rare, threatened or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated from the proposed project. No state or federal parks, wildlife refuges, wildlife management areas or scenic rivers are known at the specified site or within ¼ mile of the proposed project. The Louisiana Natural Heritage Program (LNHP) reports summarize the existing information known at the time of the request regarding the location in question. LNHP reports should not be considered final statements on the biological elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. If at any time LNHP tracked species are encountered within the project area, please contact our biologist at 225-765-2643.

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