

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Application #: MVN 2013-01683 CO

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the US 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), [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

MAINTENANCE DREDGING GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY IN WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Associated Terminals, 1133 Mahaffey Road, Port Allen, Louisiana.

LOCATION OF WORK: In the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, approximately 1,500 feet from the Port Allen Lock, in Port Allen, Louisiana, in West Baton Rouge Parish (lat. 30.434475, long. -90.213986), within the Terrebonne Basin in the Lower Grand River hydrologic unit (HUC 08070300), as shown on the attached drawings.

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested a Department of the Army authorization to perform maintenance dredging of a 350' x 50' area in front of an existing dock. A barge mounted excavator will be used to excavate material and deposited in dump trucks and hauled to an upland site on the applicant's property. Approximately 0.4 acre of non-vegetated water bottoms will be impacted by the proposed activity.

The applicant has designed the project to avoid and minimize direct and secondary adverse impacts to the maximum extent practicable. All dredged material will be placed in uplands on site. Thus, no compensatory mitigation is anticipated. Should it be determined that mitigation is required, the applicant will purchase in-kind wetland credits from a Corps approved mitigation bank located within the watershed of impact.

The comment period for the Department of Army Permit will close in **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 mailed or e-mailed 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 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, RGC, Jamie Crowe** 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 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 to the initial comment period and inclusive of the initial comment period, will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days.

The public notice can **also** be reviewed at <https://go.usa.gov/xennJ>.

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. Copies of this notice are being sent to the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work is Not Likely to Adversely Affect any species 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. Utilizing the Information Planning and Consultation (IPaC) procedure 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, the Corps has determined that the proposed activity would have no effect to any listed species.

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 n/a 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.

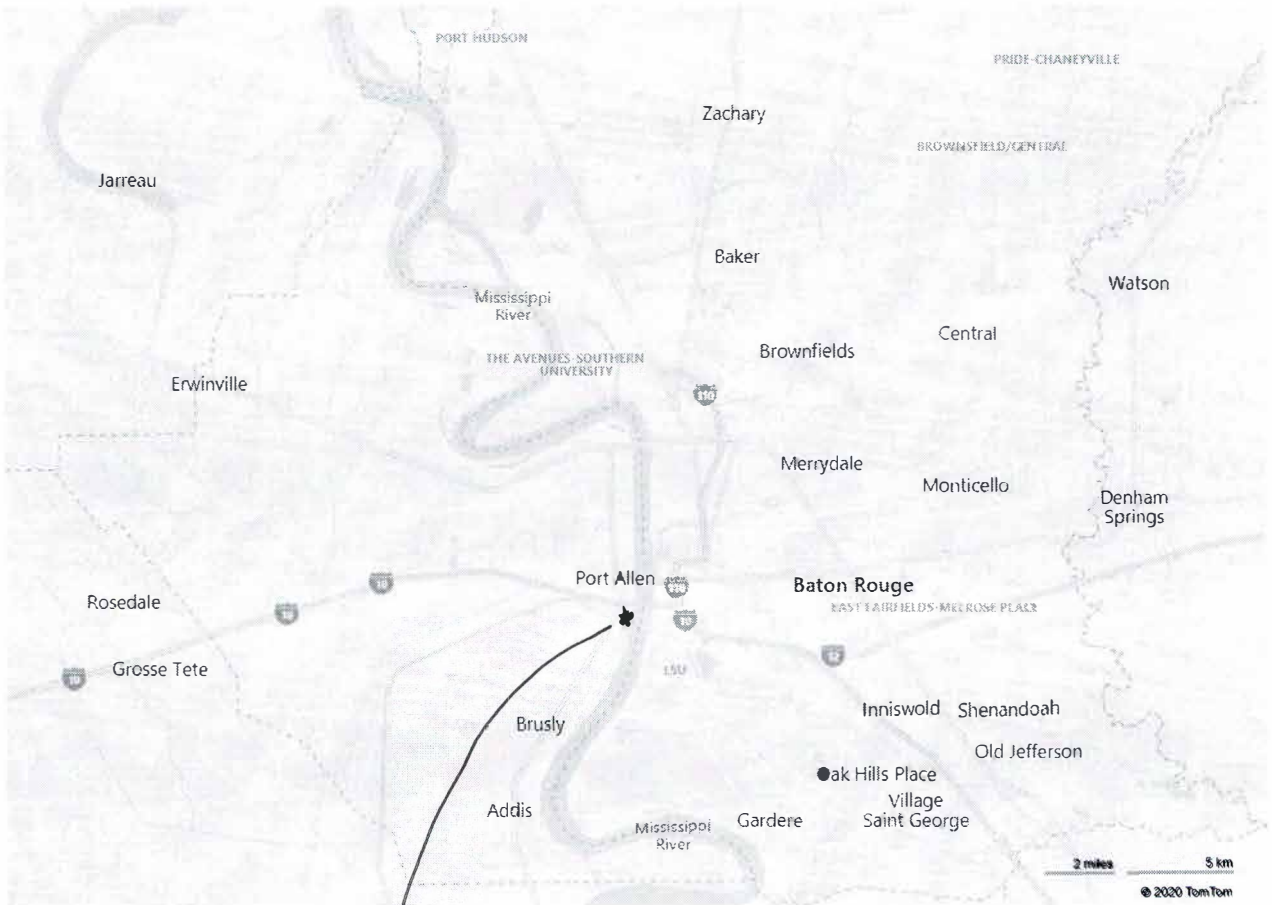
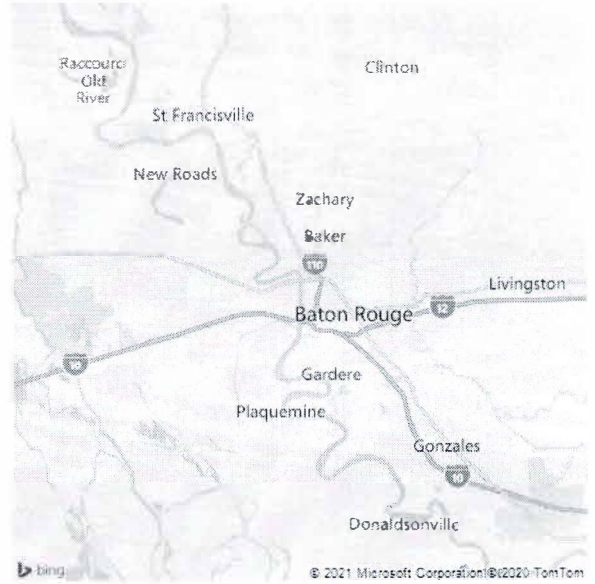
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate water quality standards will be required from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services before a Department of the Army permit can be 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.

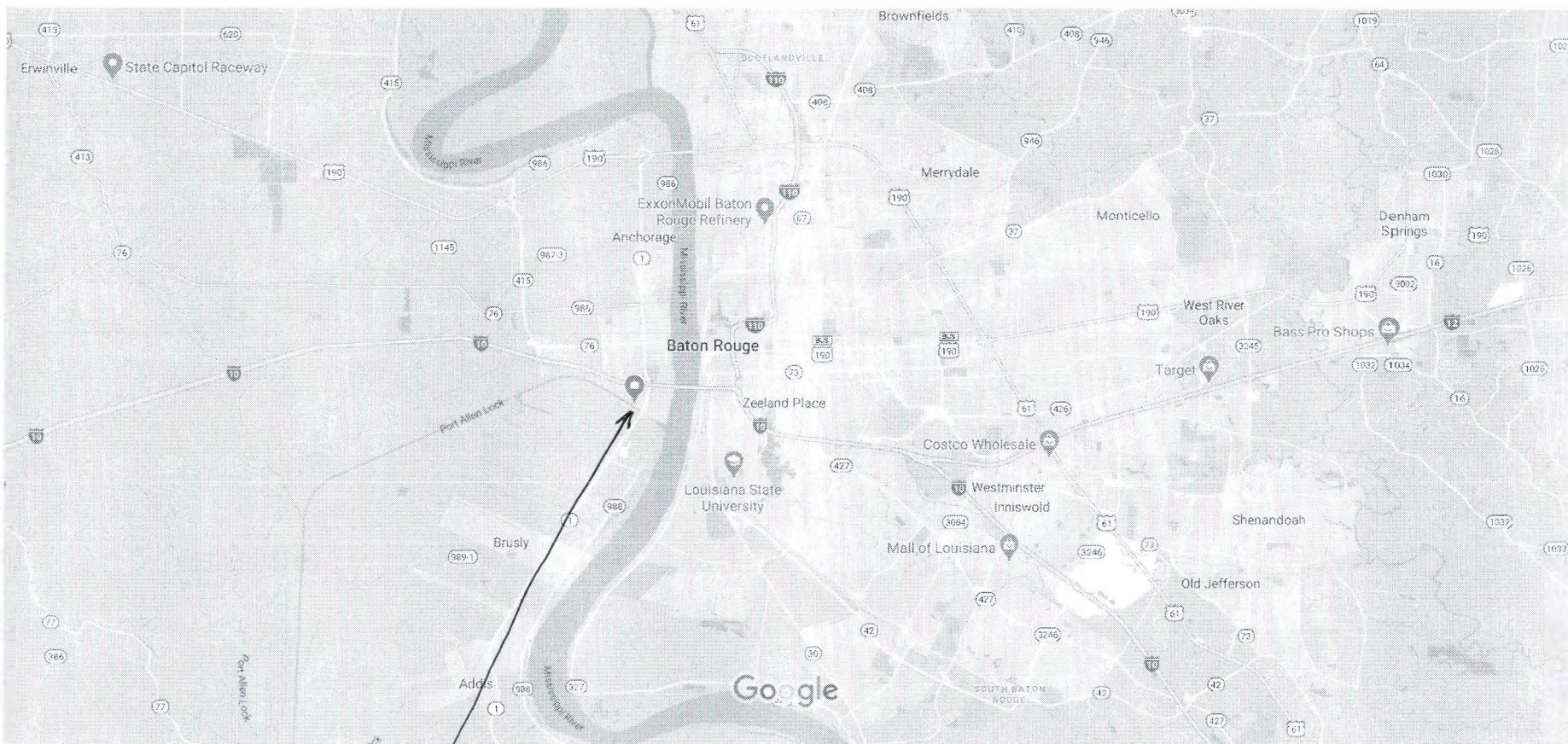
JOHN M. HERMAN
Chief, Central Evaluation Branch
Regulatory Division

Enclosures

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DREDGE LOCATION

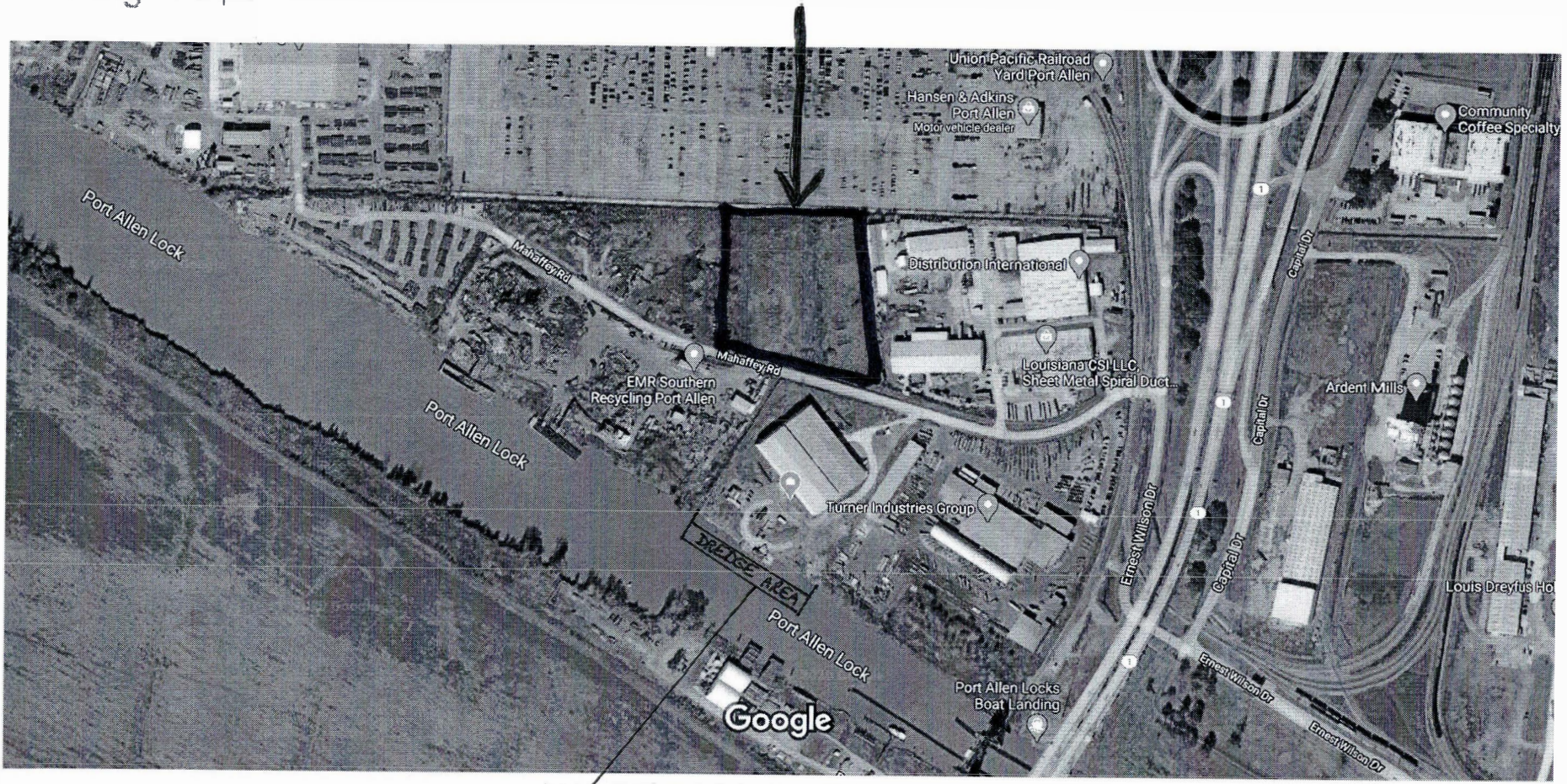


DREDGE LOCATION

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"OUR PROPERTY WHERE RIVER SILT WILL BE DISPOSED"

Google Maps




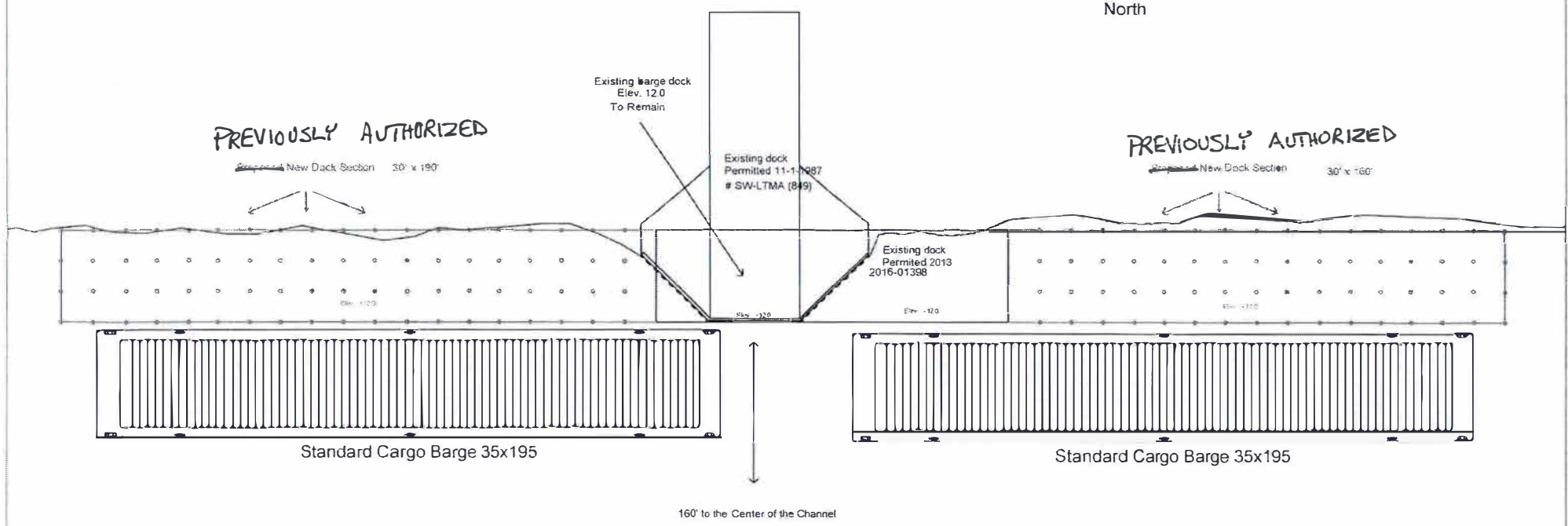
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PROPOSED DREDGE AREA

1133 Mahaffey Rd
Port Allen La. 70767

GPS
30°26'04.11N
91°12'50.35W

Shore line 
New East dock 30'x160'
New West dock 30'x190'
Existing dock 30'x113'



Plan View

Purpose: To unload/load Barges
Datum: Mean Gulf Level
Adjacent Property owners:
1. Southern Recycling
2. Turner industries

BARGE UNLOADING/LOADING FACILITY EXPANSION	
FOR ASSOCIATED TERMINALS	
PREPARED BY K. ROBERTSON	
Date 6-22-18	Sheet 2 of 3



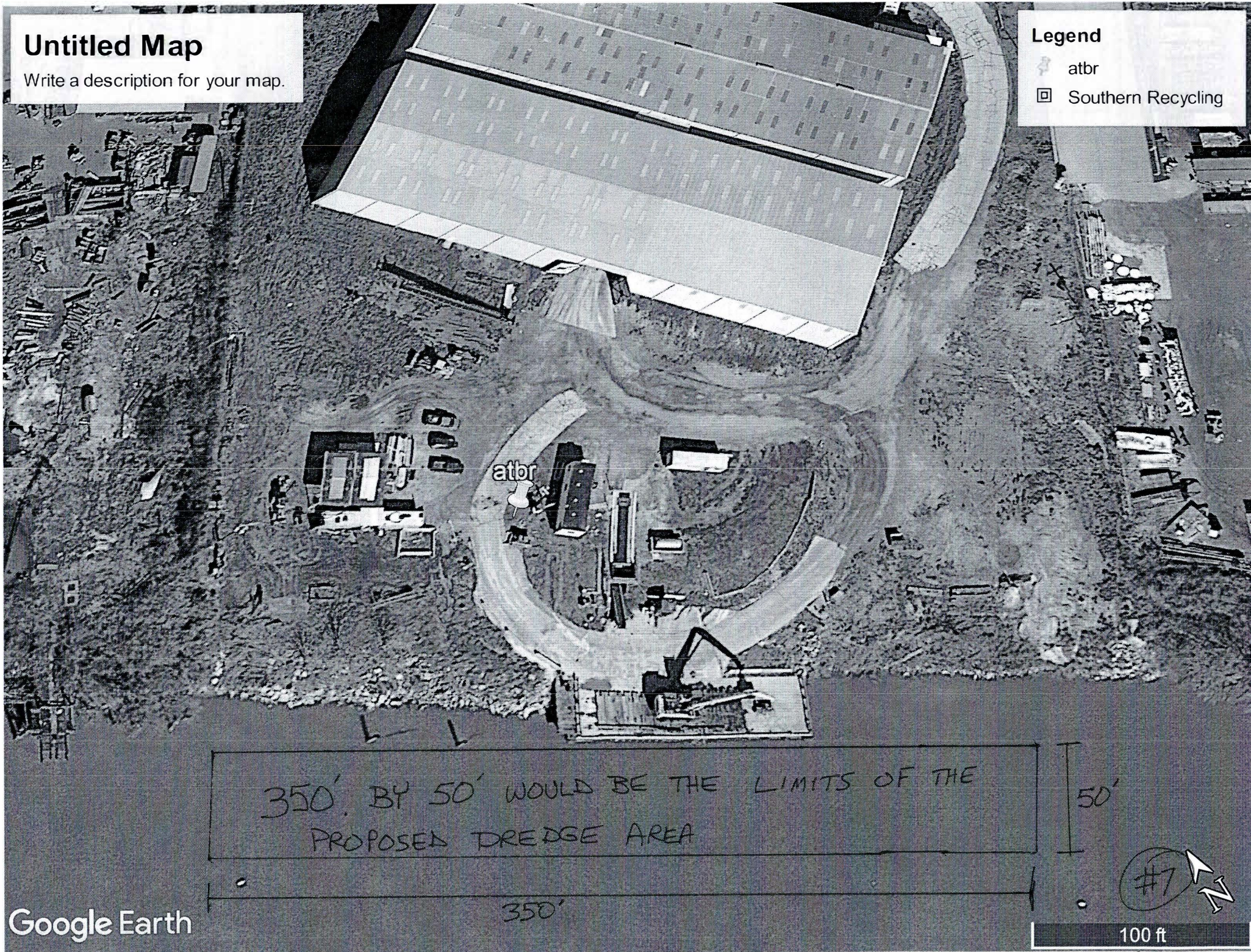
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- Southern Recycling



THE HATCHING REPRESENTS AREA TO BE DREDGED.

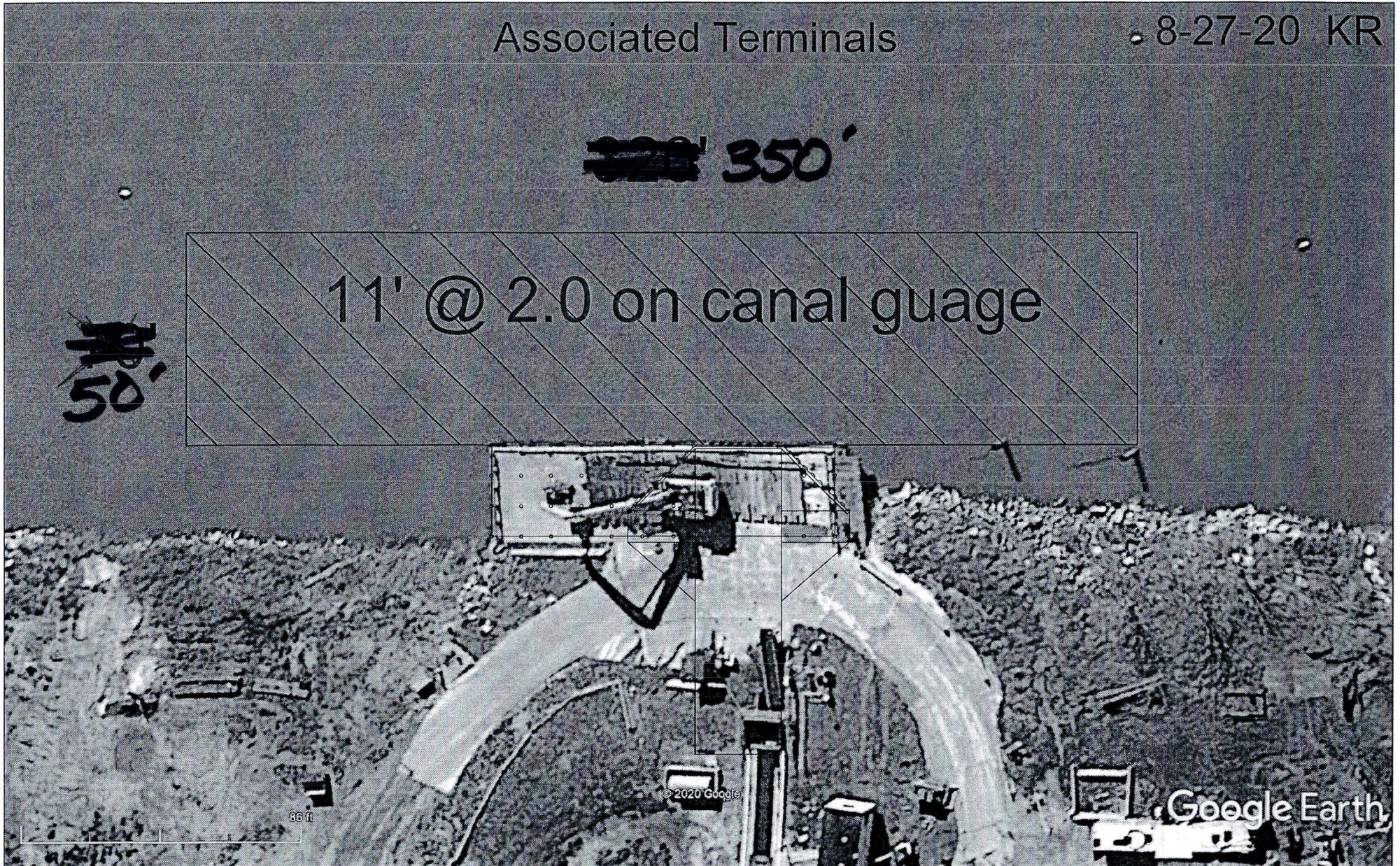
Associated Terminals

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~~320'~~ 350'

11' @ 2.0 on canal guage

~~11'~~ 50'



DOCK PILING

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WATER LINE "PORT ALLEN CANAL"

2'
0'
-2'
-4'
-6'
-8'
-10'
-12'
-14'
-16'

↓ RIVER SILT TO BE REMOVED BY DREDGING

↑ PROPOSED GRADE LINE TO 11' @ 2.0 CANAL GAUGE

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