

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT 7400 LEAKE AVE NEW ORLEANS, LA 70118-3651

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Operations Division
Central Evaluation Section

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SUBJECT: MVN-2014-00940-CG

PUBLIC NOTICE

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received by the District engineer for a Department of the Army permit to authorize the following 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).

TIME EXTENSION FOR THE SHIP AND BARGE DOCK AND HEAVY HAUL DOCK WITH WATER INTAKE STRUCTURES IN MISSISSIPPI RIVER IN ST. JAMES PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Yuhuang Chemical Inc, c/o Lanier & Associates, 4101 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70115.

LOCATION OF WORK: In the Mississippi River, Right Descending Bank, River Mile 157.5, at 5327 St. James Co-Op Road, St. James, Louisiana in St. James Parish within the Mississippi River Basin in hydrologic unit (HUC 08070100), as shown on the attached drawings (Latitude 29.99682 N, Longitude -90.835628 W).

<u>CHARACTER OF WORK</u>: The applicant has requested a Department of the Army authorization for a time extension on the previously authorized work to clear, grade, excavate and deposit fill and/or aggregate material to construct and maintain a methanol plant facility with a barge and ship dock and a heavy haul road and barge dock to include two water intake structures, two levee crossings, a boat ramp, underground pipelines and an elevated piperack. The project is situated on an approximately 1,000-acre tract and, once complete, will directly impact 1.79 acres of forested wetlands and 1.15 acres Waters of the U.S. No modifications or additional work has been proposed.

The comment period for the Department of Army will close in <u>30 days</u> 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 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, ODR-C, S. Gail Gainey**.

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 made available to the State Archeologist and the State Historic Preservation Officer.

The New Orleans District has determined that the proposed project is located in waters known to be utilized by the Pallid Sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*). Utilizing the Information & Planning Consultation for Endangered Species in Louisiana protocol, dated January 27, 2020 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 with the inclusion of the Project Recommendations For Intake Structures, proposed work is not likely to adversely affect the Pallid Sturgeon.

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 $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ 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

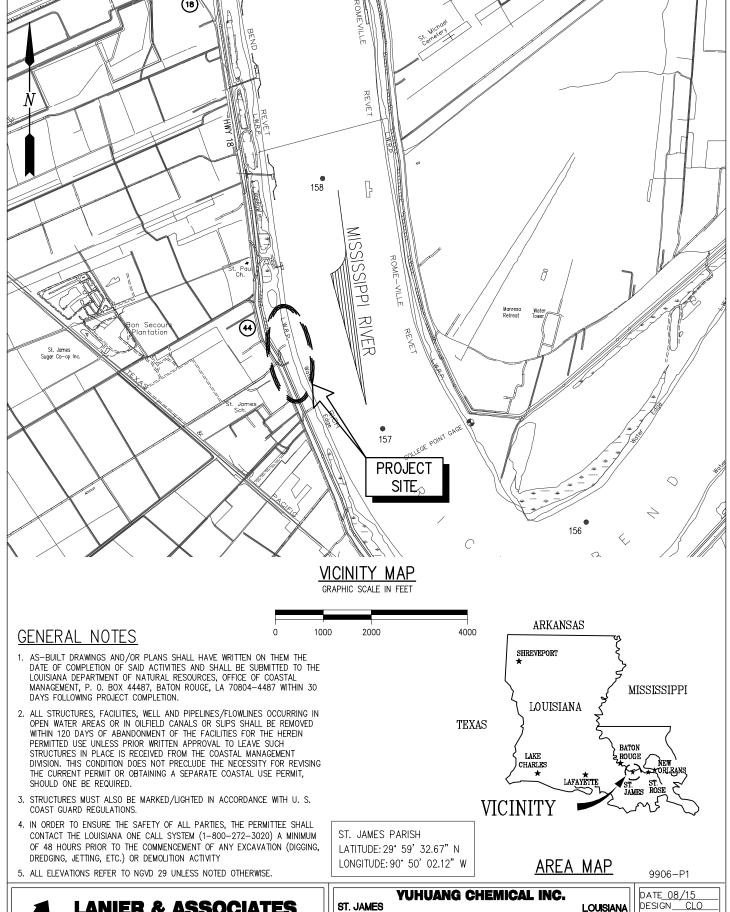
will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services, before a permit is issued.

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 (Louisiana Coastal Zone Application P20150795). 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.

JOHN M. HERMAN Chief, Central Evaluation Section Regualtory Branch

Enclosures





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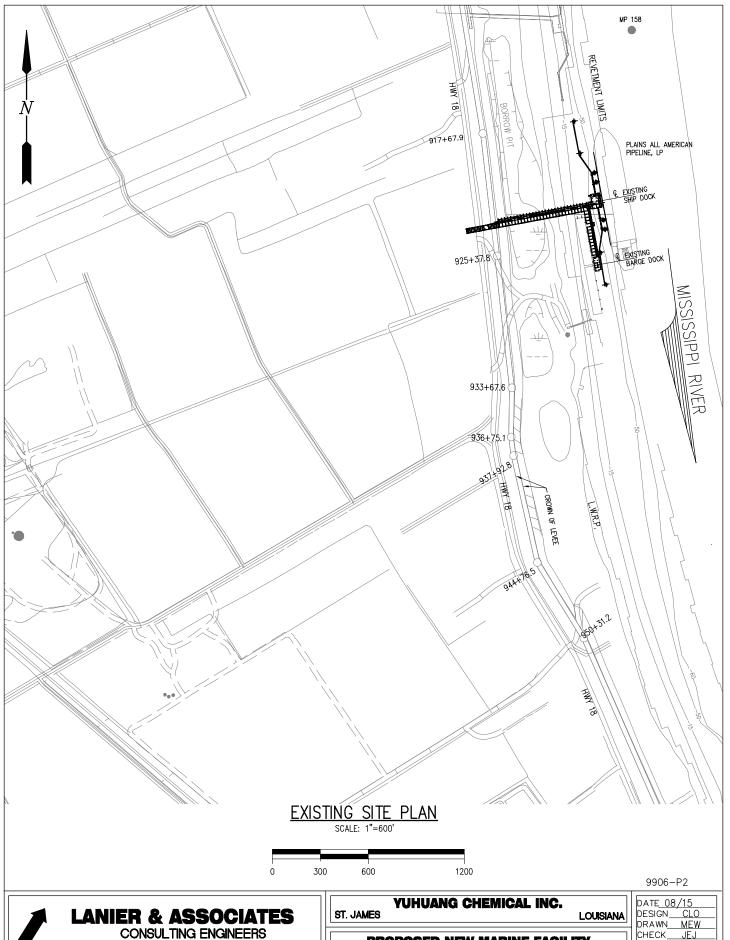
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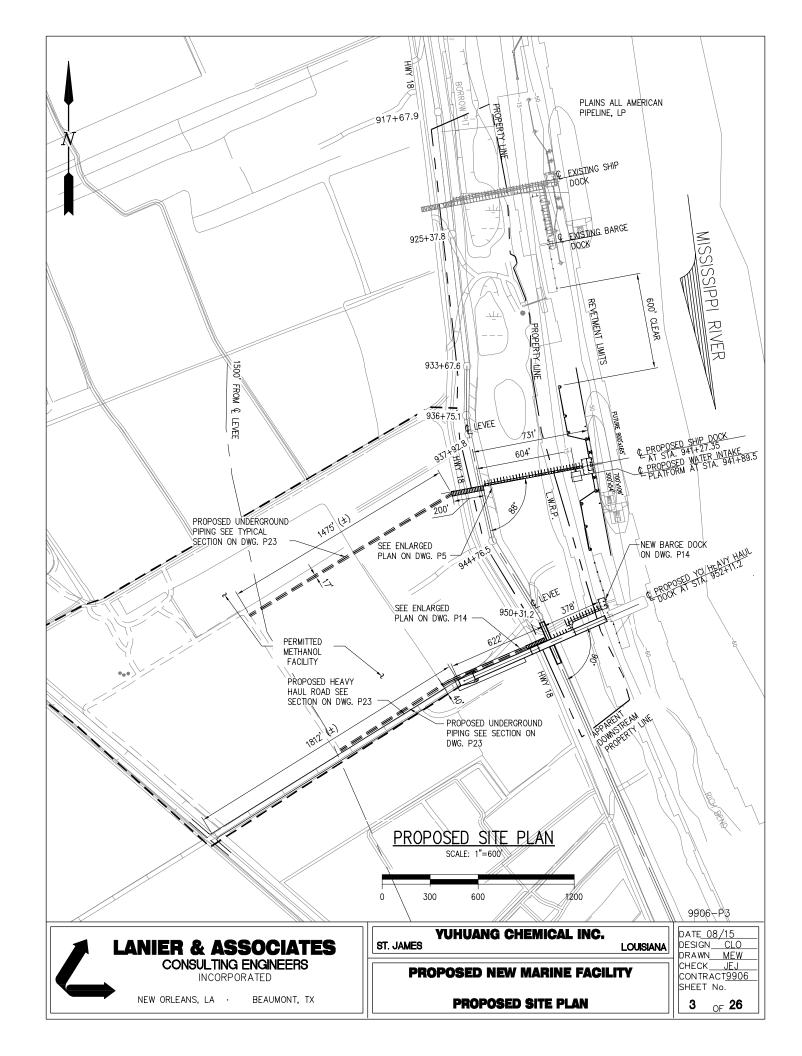
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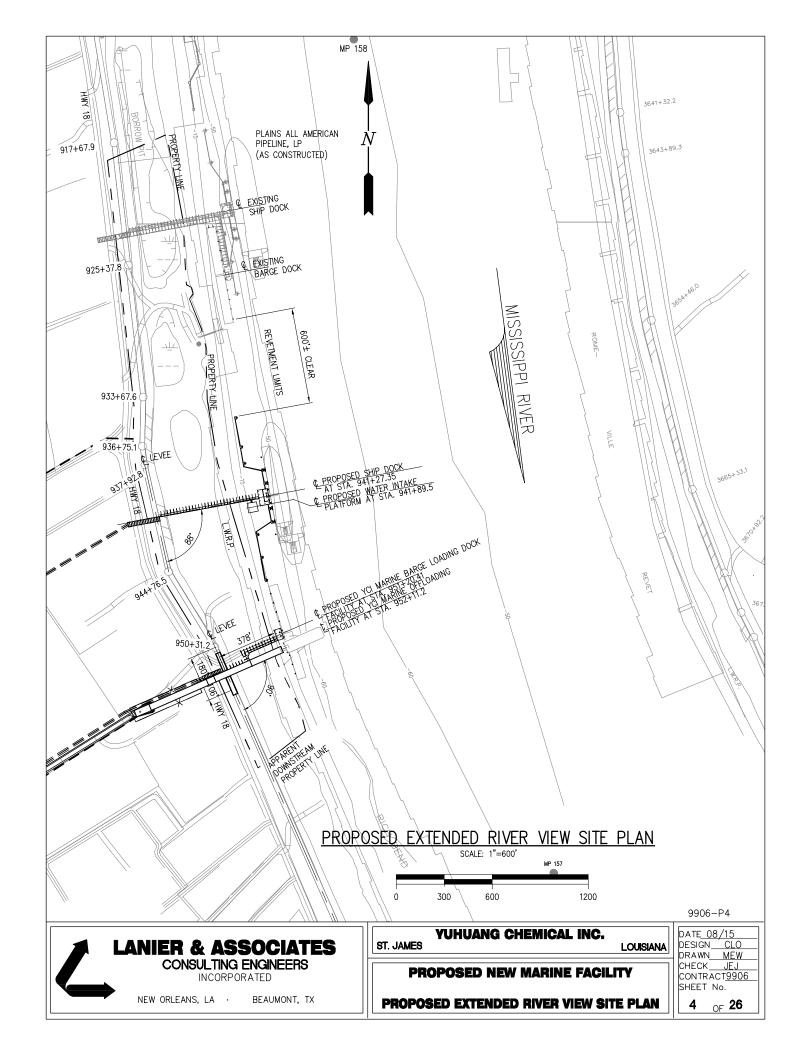
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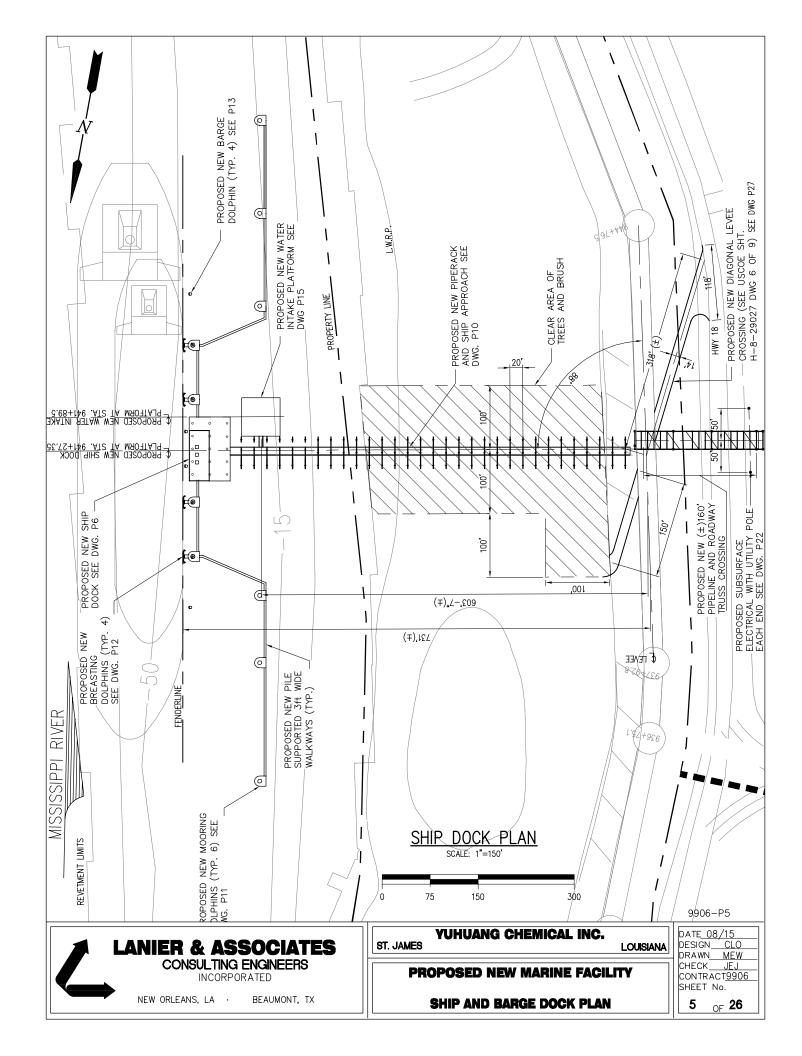
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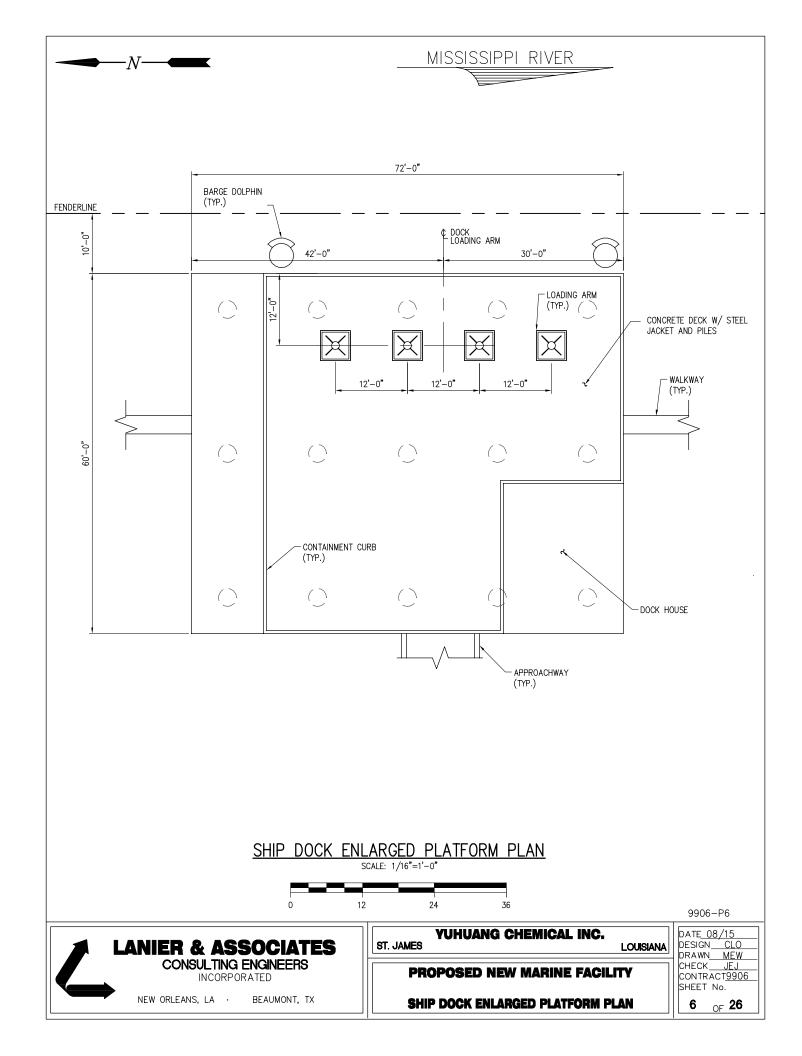
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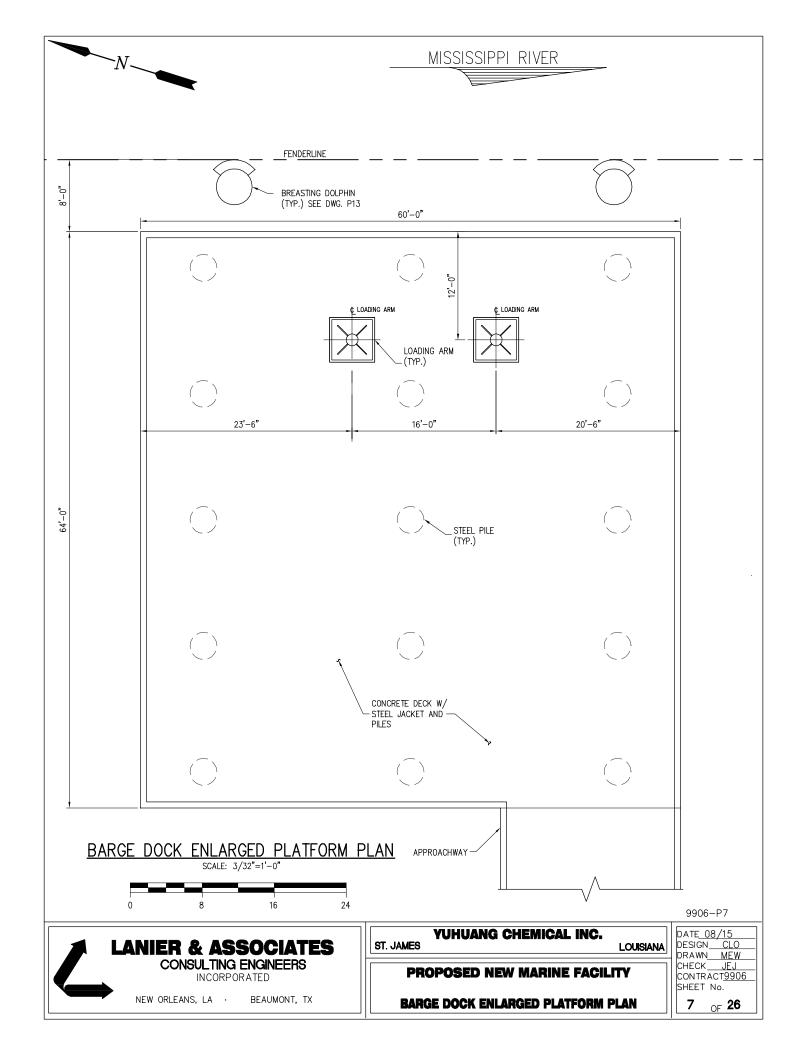
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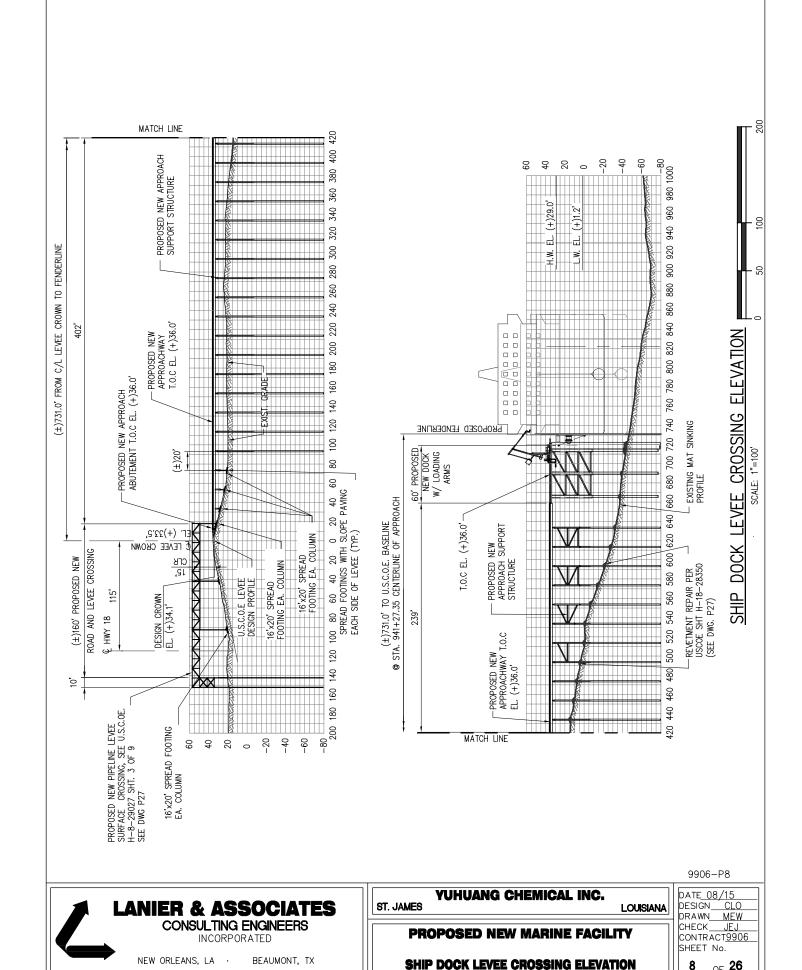






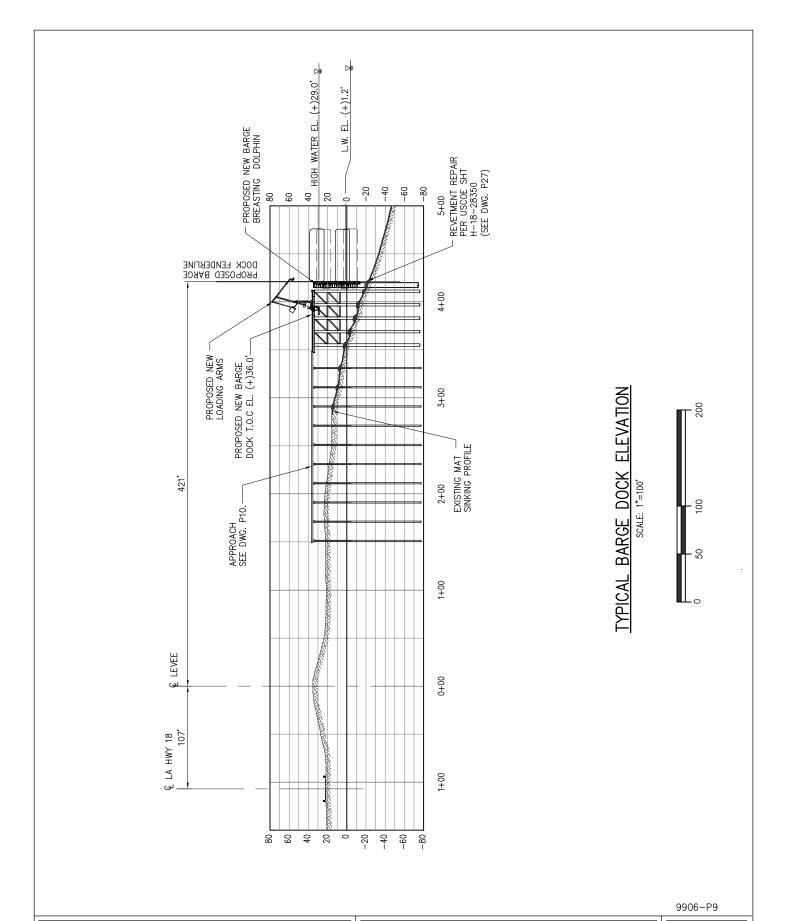






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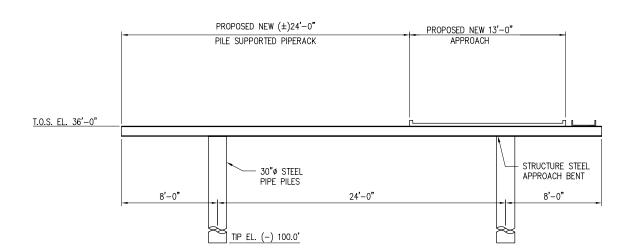
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TYPICAL SHIP DOCK AND BARGE DOCK APPROACH SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



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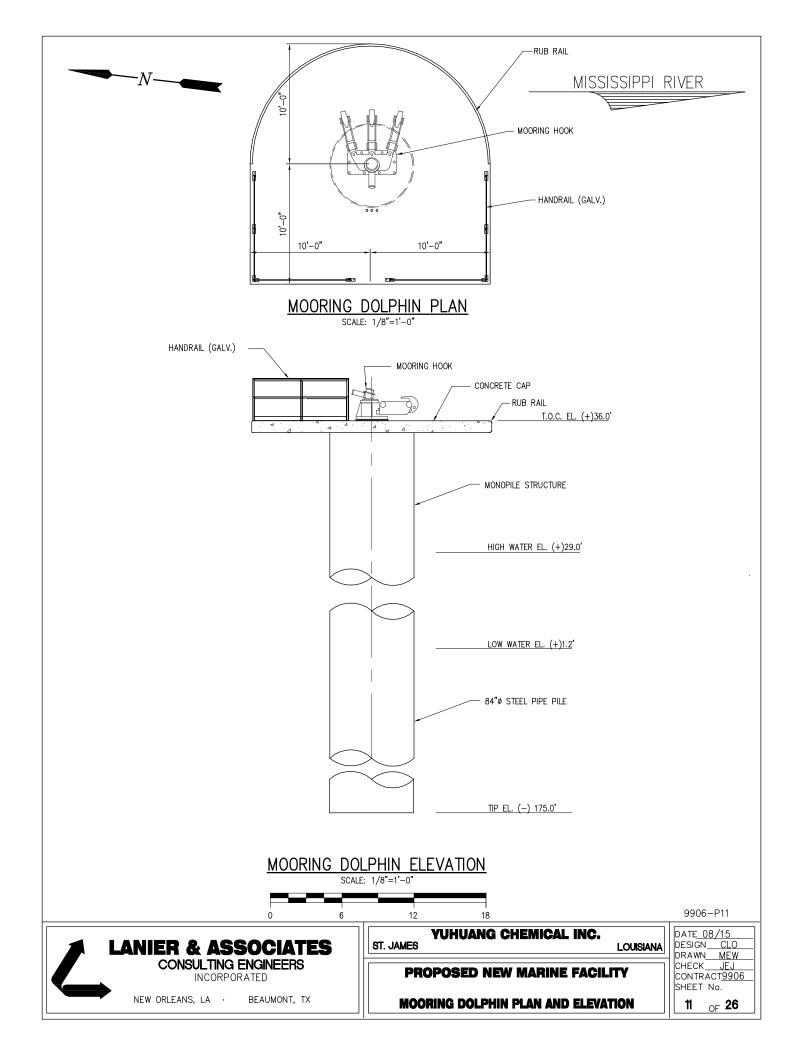
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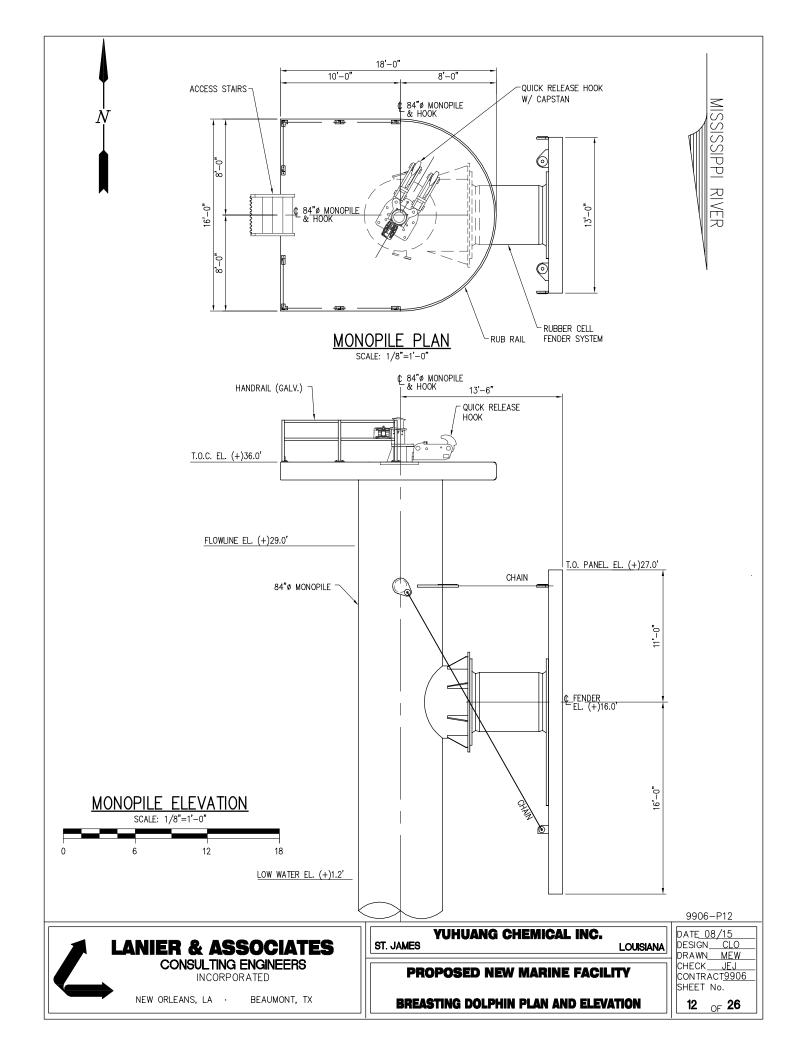
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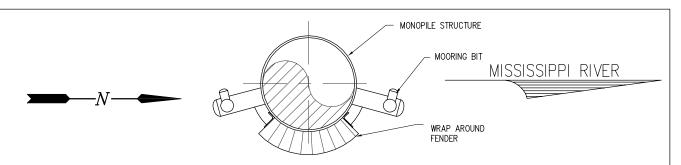
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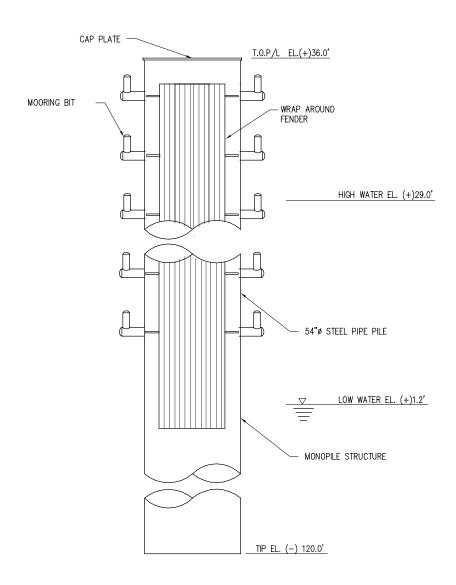
TYPICAL SHIP AND BARGE DOCK APPROACHES







BARGE DOLPHIN PLAN SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



BARGE DOLPHIN ELEVATION SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"

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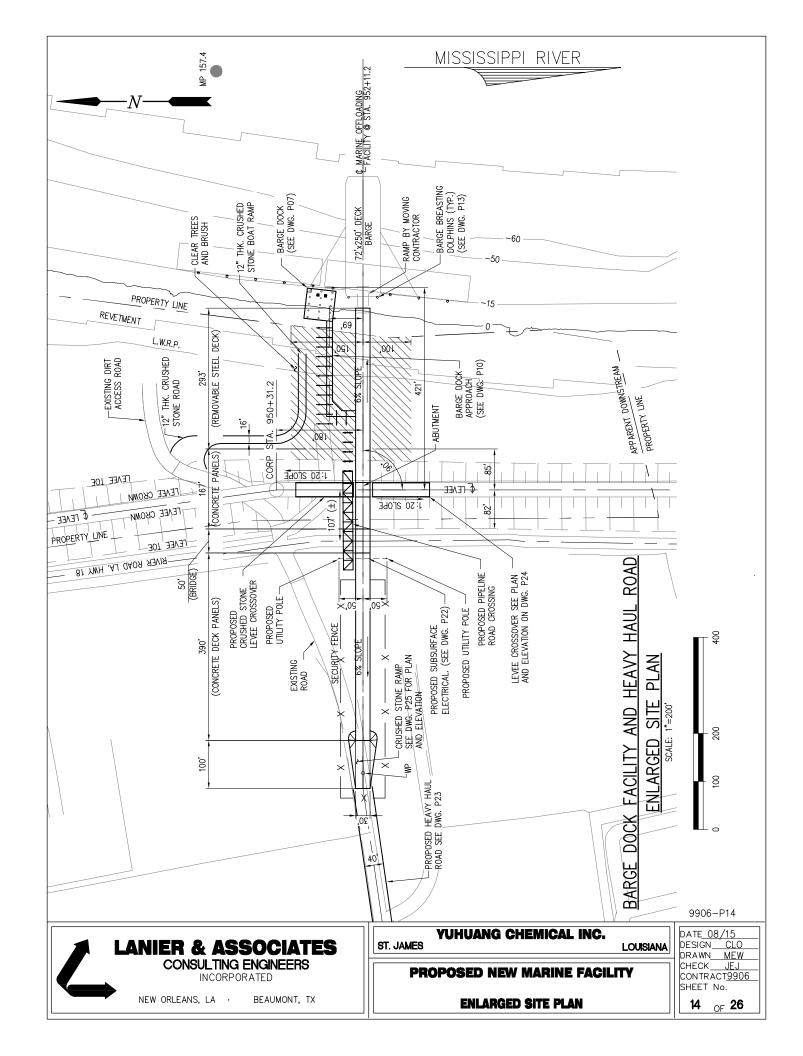
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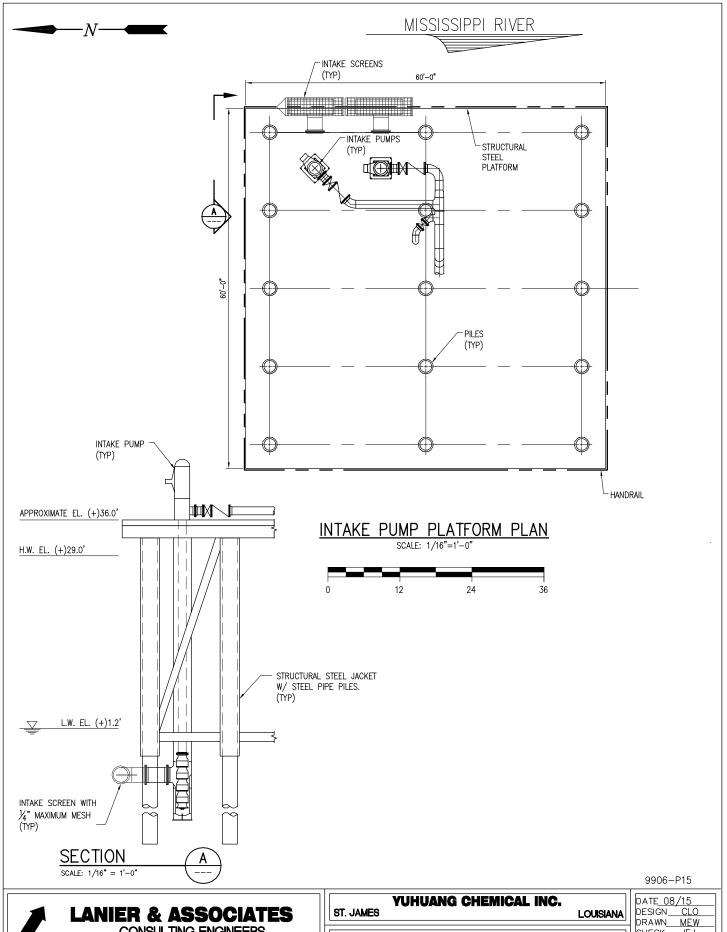
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BARGE DOLPHIN PLAN AND ELEVATION

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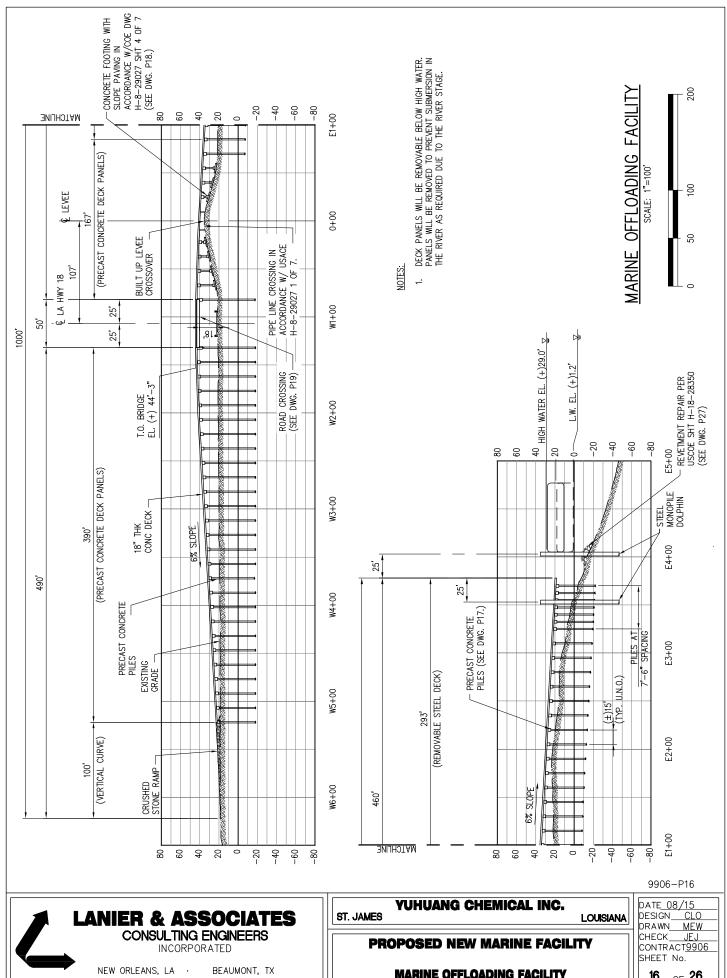


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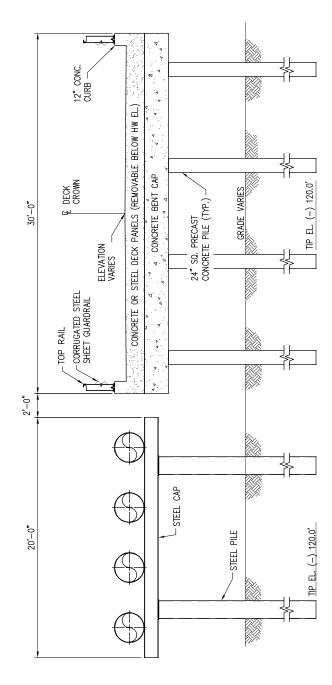
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NOTE:

STEEL PIPE SUPPORT OCCURS FROM 10' OFFSHORE OF TOE OF LEVEE TO TYPICAL BARGE DOCK APPROACH SECTION.





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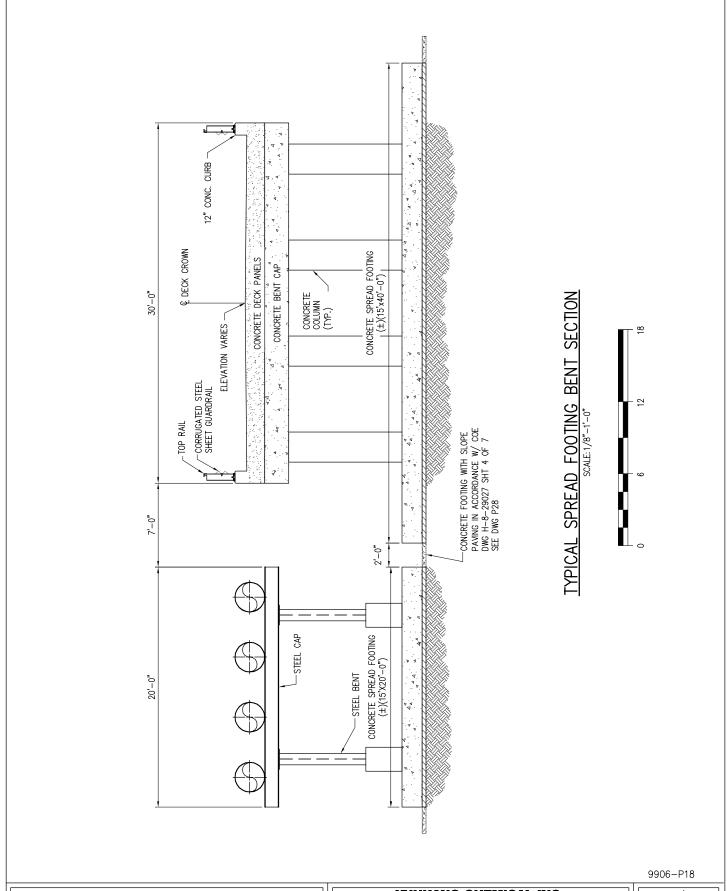
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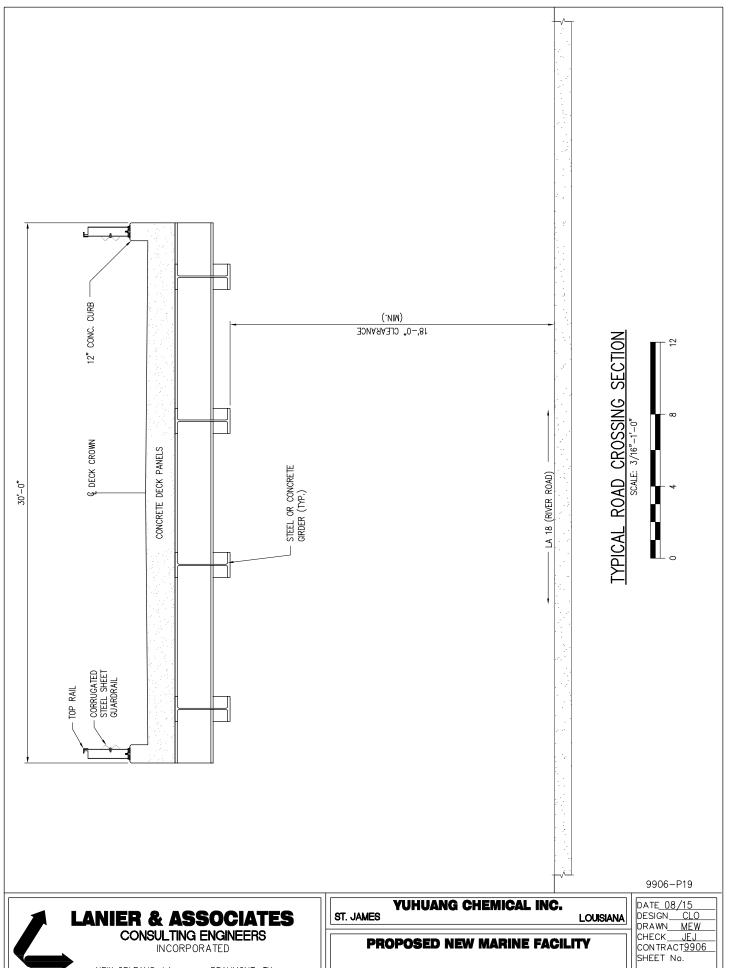
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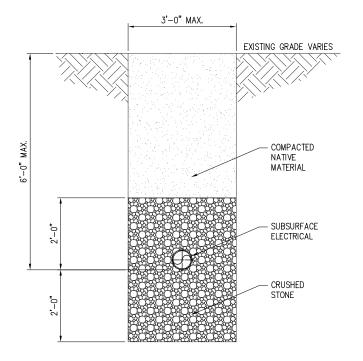
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TYPICAL ROAD CROSSING SECTION



TYPICAL ELECTRICAL SUBSURFACE SECTION



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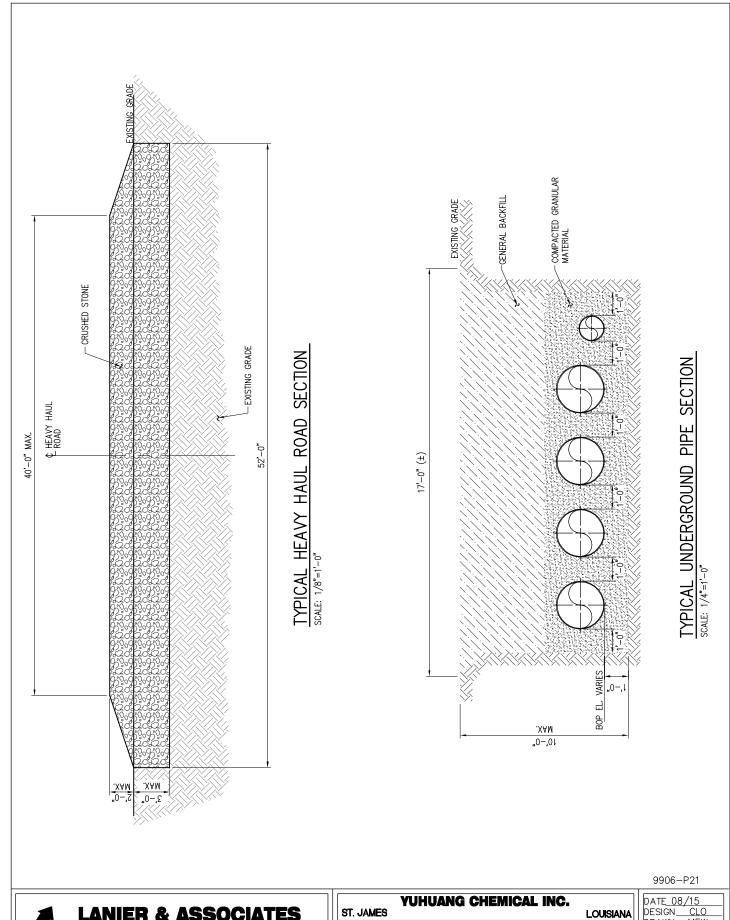
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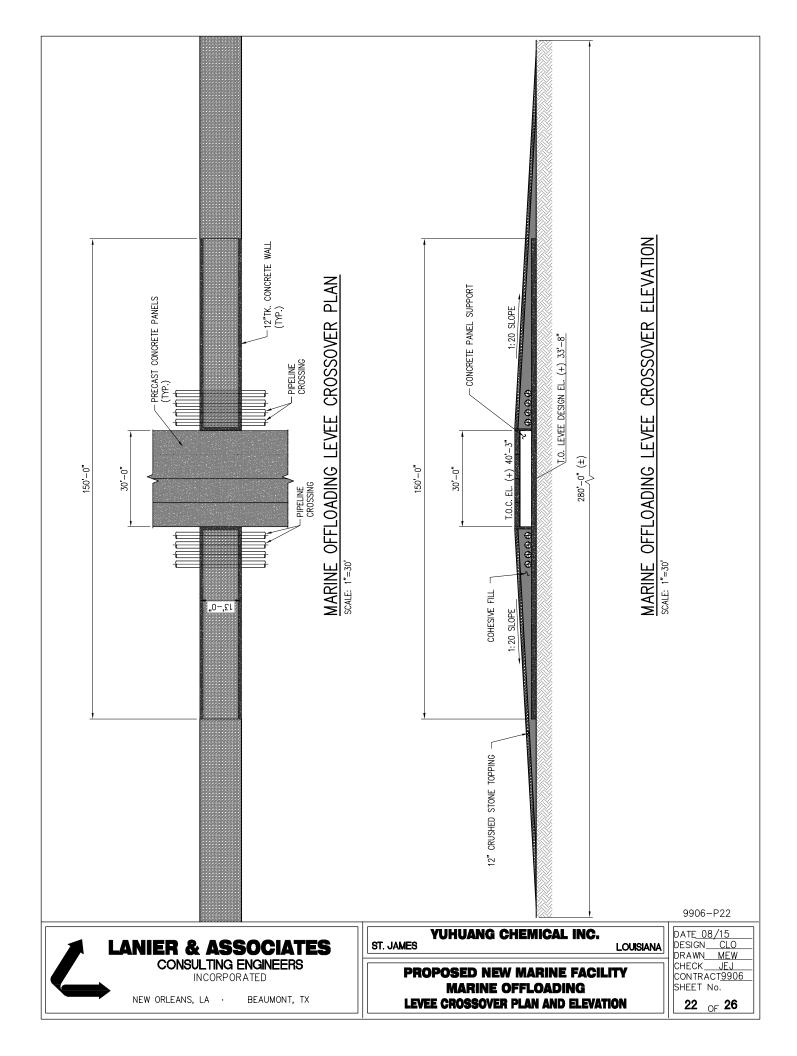
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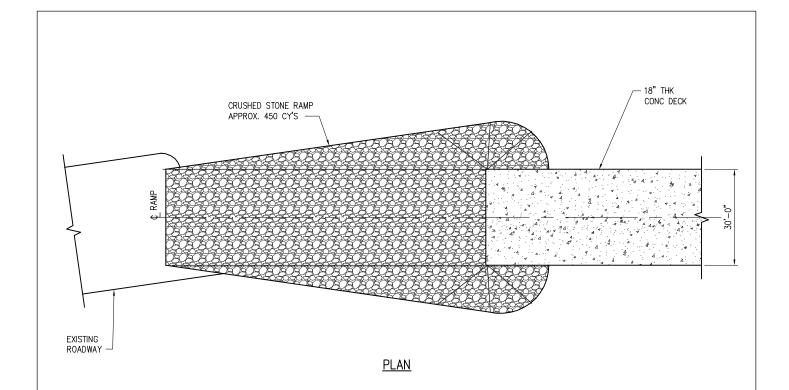
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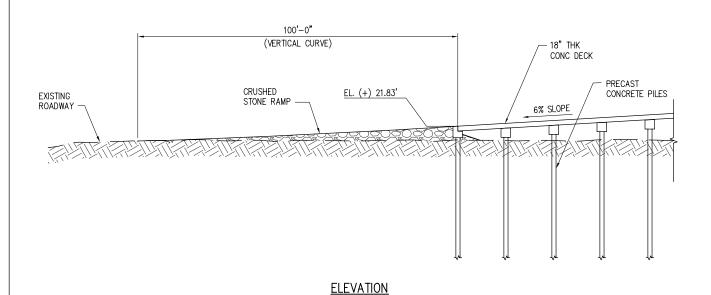
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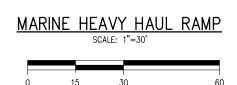
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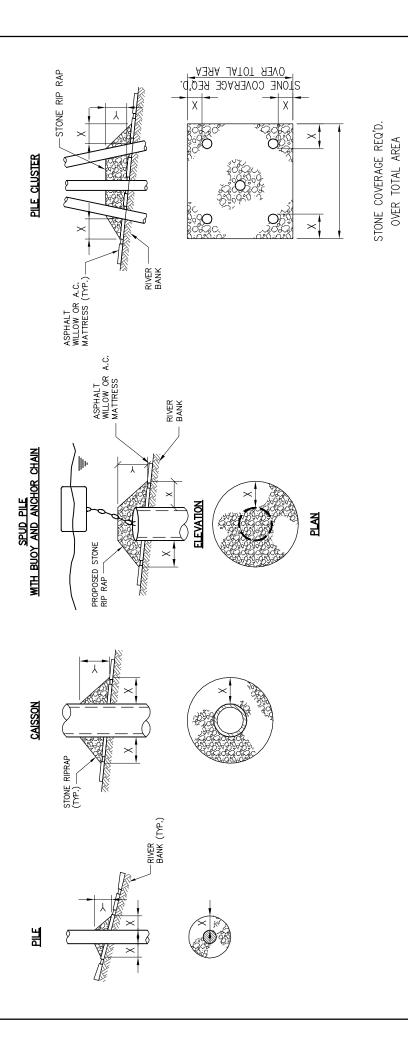


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MARINE HEAVY HAUL RAMP

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REPAIR PROCEDURES REQUIRED WHEN PENETRATING REVETMENTS WITH PILES, CAISSONS AND/OR PILE CLUSTERS

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DEPTH OF WATER IN FEET
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DIMENSIONS IN FEET FOR PROTECTION AREA REQUIRED

1. SIZE OF RIPRAP TO VARY BETWEEN 6 POUNDS AND 125 POUNDS WITH 40% TO 60% OF THE STONE WITHIN THE RANGE OF 25 POUNDS TO 75 POUNDS.

