

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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WQC Application Number
WQC # 170710-02

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: [] 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, Office of Environmental Services, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in LRS 30:2074 A(3) and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

PROPOSED COMMERCIAL RETAIL FUEL STATION CONSTRUCTION IN ASCENSION PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: RaceTrac Petroleum Company, C/O David Templet of D&S Environmental Services, PO Box 510, French Settlement, Louisiana 70733.

LOCATION OF WORK: On and east of Highway 22, just south of Interstate 10, Section 26, T10S-R3E, in Sorrento, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish, within the Pontchartrain Basin in hydrologic unit (HUC 08070204), as shown on the attached drawings (Latitude 30.168496 N, Longitude -90.878446 W).

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested Department of the Army authorization to clear, grade, excavate and deposit fill and/or aggregate material to construct and maintain a commercial retail fuel station (RaceTrac Market Fuel Station) to include fuel pump islands, corresponding underground fuel storage tanks, parking, a stormwater detention basin and floodplain mitigation area with pertinent outfall, a sanitary sewer treatment unit, green space and ingress/egress access respectively. Approximately 809.11 cubic yards of earthen material, approx. 391.66 cubic yards of concrete material and approx. 481.53 cubic yards of lime treated base material would be placed to achieve required grade elevation requirements. The proposed project is situated on an approximately 3.60-acre tract that has been determined to contain jurisdictional wetlands and waters of the U.S. Approximately 1.53 acres of wetlands and approx. 0.04 acre of waters of the U.S. would be directly impacted by the development.

It is presumed that the applicant has designed the project to avoid and minimize direct and secondary adverse impacts to the maximum extent practicable. Any further reduction would limit usage of the property and, therefore function deeming the project impracticable. The applicant proposes to avoid additional direct impacts and minimize secondary impacts to wetlands by utilizing appropriate erosion control methods during and after the construction phase to help prevent erosion and degradation of water quality or non-point source pollution on-site. As compensation for unavoidable wetland impacts, the applicant proposes to mitigate in-kind wetland credits from a Corps approved mitigation bank located in the watershed.

The comment period for the Department of Army will close in **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. 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 Section 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 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 US 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 US 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 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. 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.

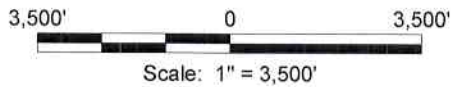
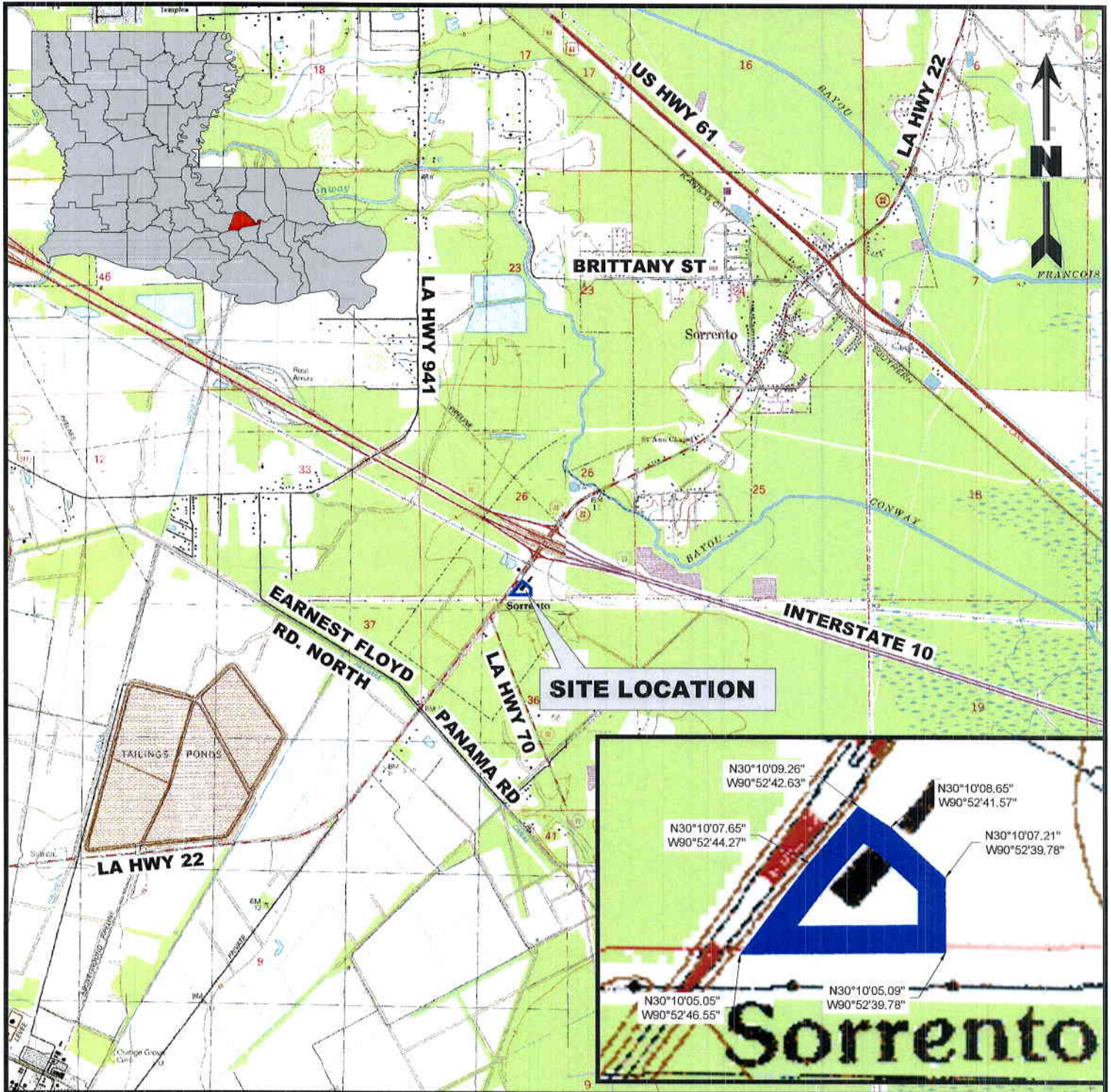
This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of up to n/a acres of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. 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 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.

JOHN M. HERMAN
Chief, Central Evaluation Section
Regulatory Branch

Enclosures



Notes

Property is located in Section 26 T10S-R3E

Latitude: 30°10'06.47"N Longitude: 90°52'43.00"W

Reference

Base map comprised of U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topographic maps "Gonzales, LA" and "Sorrento, LA".

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Vicinity Map

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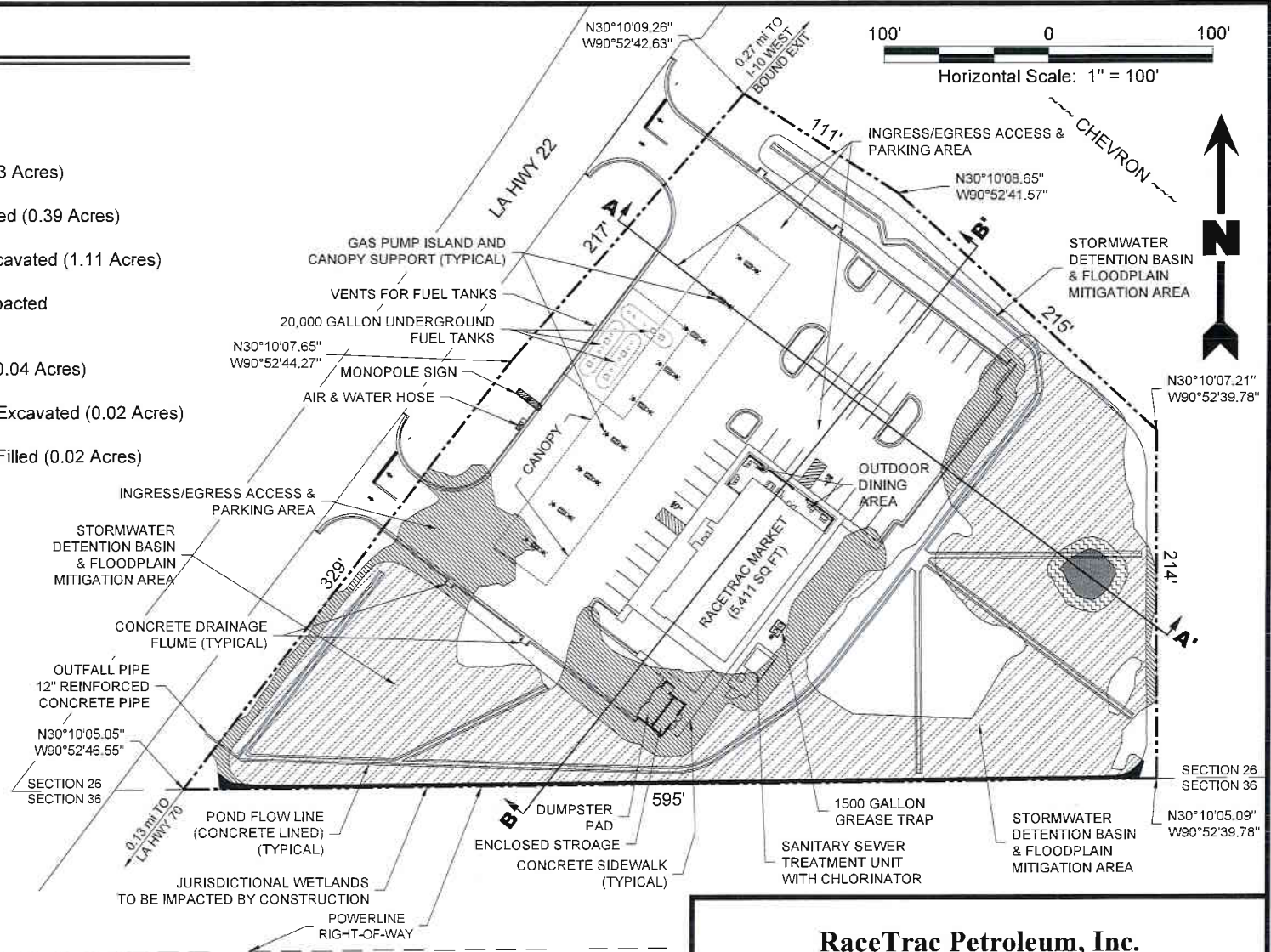
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Figure No.: 1

Legend

- Property Boundary (3.60 Acres)
- Non-Wetlands (2.03 Acres)
- Total Jurisdictional Wetlands (1.53 Acres)
- ▨ Jurisdictional Wetlands To Be Filled (0.39 Acres)
- ▩ Jurisdictional Wetlands To Be Excavated (1.11 Acres)
- Jurisdictional Wetlands To Be Impacted By Construction (0.03 Acres)
- Total Other Waters Of The U.S. (0.04 Acres)
- ▨ Other Waters Of The U.S. To Be Excavated (0.02 Acres)
- Other Waters Of The U.S. To Be Filled (0.02 Acres)



Total Proposed Fill

Approximately 809.11 Cubic Yards of Earthen Material.
 Approximately 481.53 Cubic Yards of Lime Treated Base.
 Approximately 391.66 Cubic Yards of Concrete

Notes

1. The proposed layout was provided by Duplantis Design Group, PC.
2. Jurisdictional Wetlands and Other Waters Of The U.S. obtained from U.S. Army CORPS of Engineers Jurisdictional Determination Account Number MVN-2017-00258-SK.
3. According to F.E.M.A. F.I.R.M. Community Panel No. 22005C0120 E, dated 8-16-2007, this property falls in Flood Zone AE: Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) Subject To Inundated By The 1% Annual Chance Flood (Base Flood Elevations Determined). Base flood elevation = 7' N.G.V.D.
4. Wetland impacts by habitat type:
 - > Herbaceous = 1.48 Acres
 - > Bottomland Hardwood Forest = 0.05

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Proposed Plan View

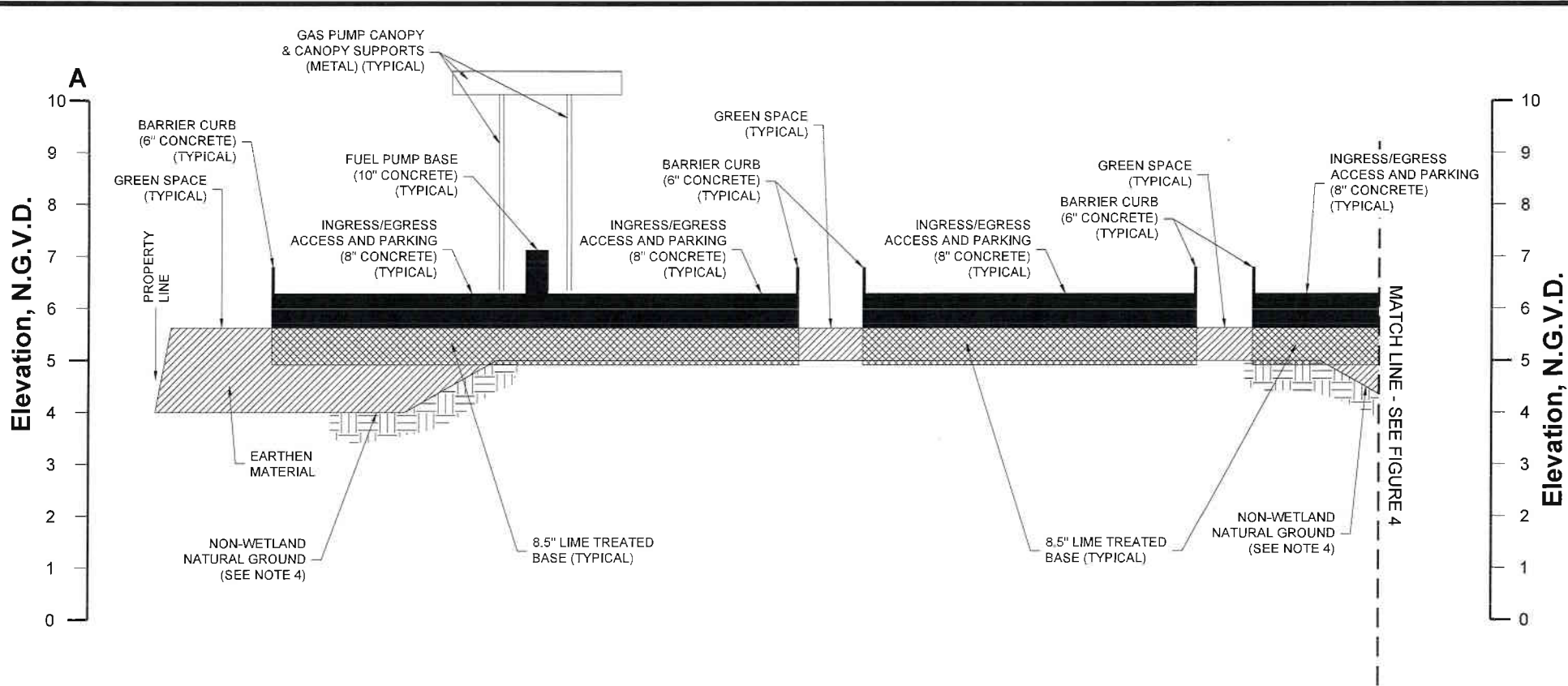
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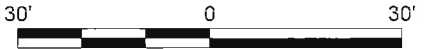
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Figure No.: 2



Section A-A'

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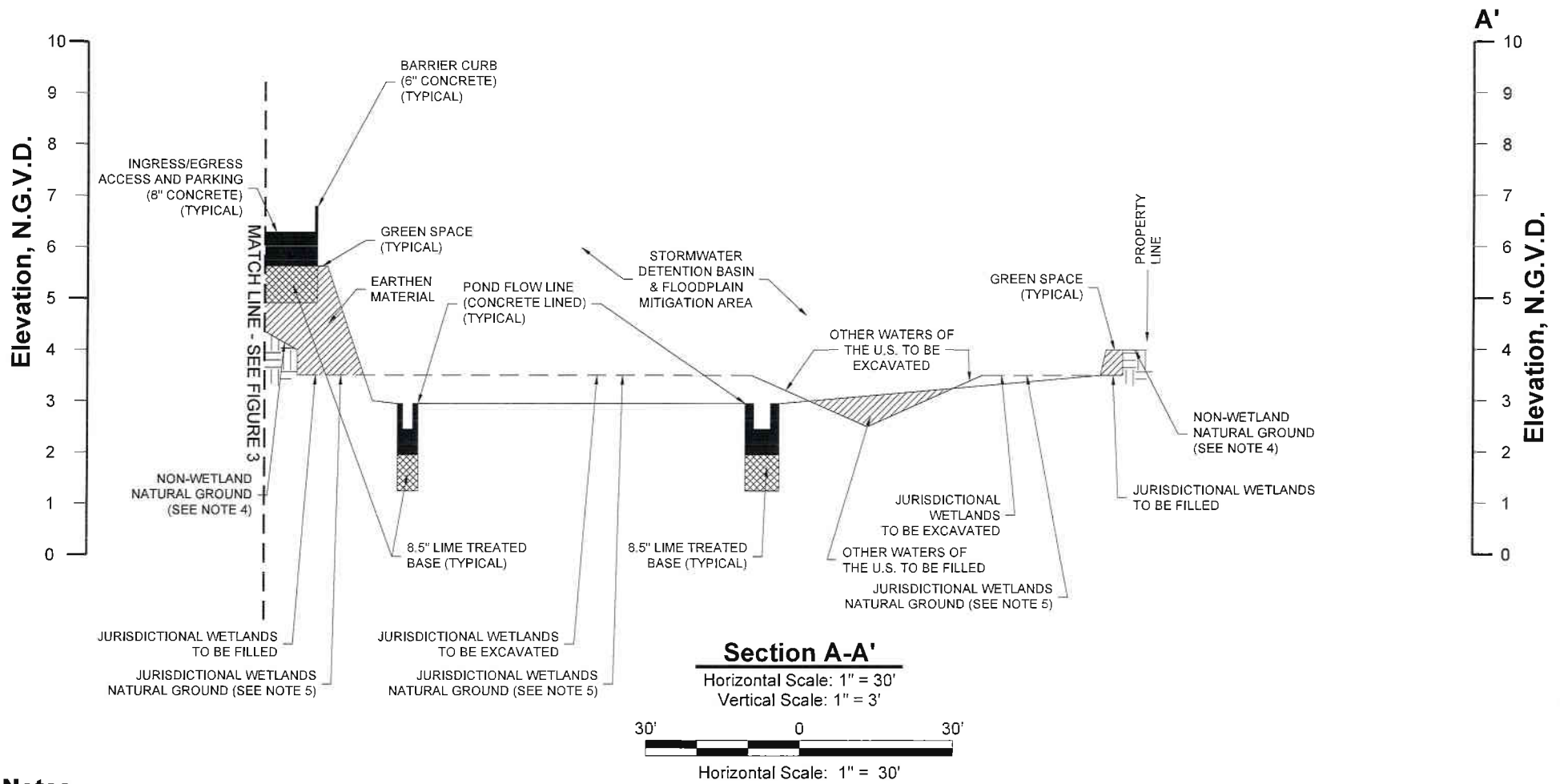
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Section View A-A'

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Section View A-A'

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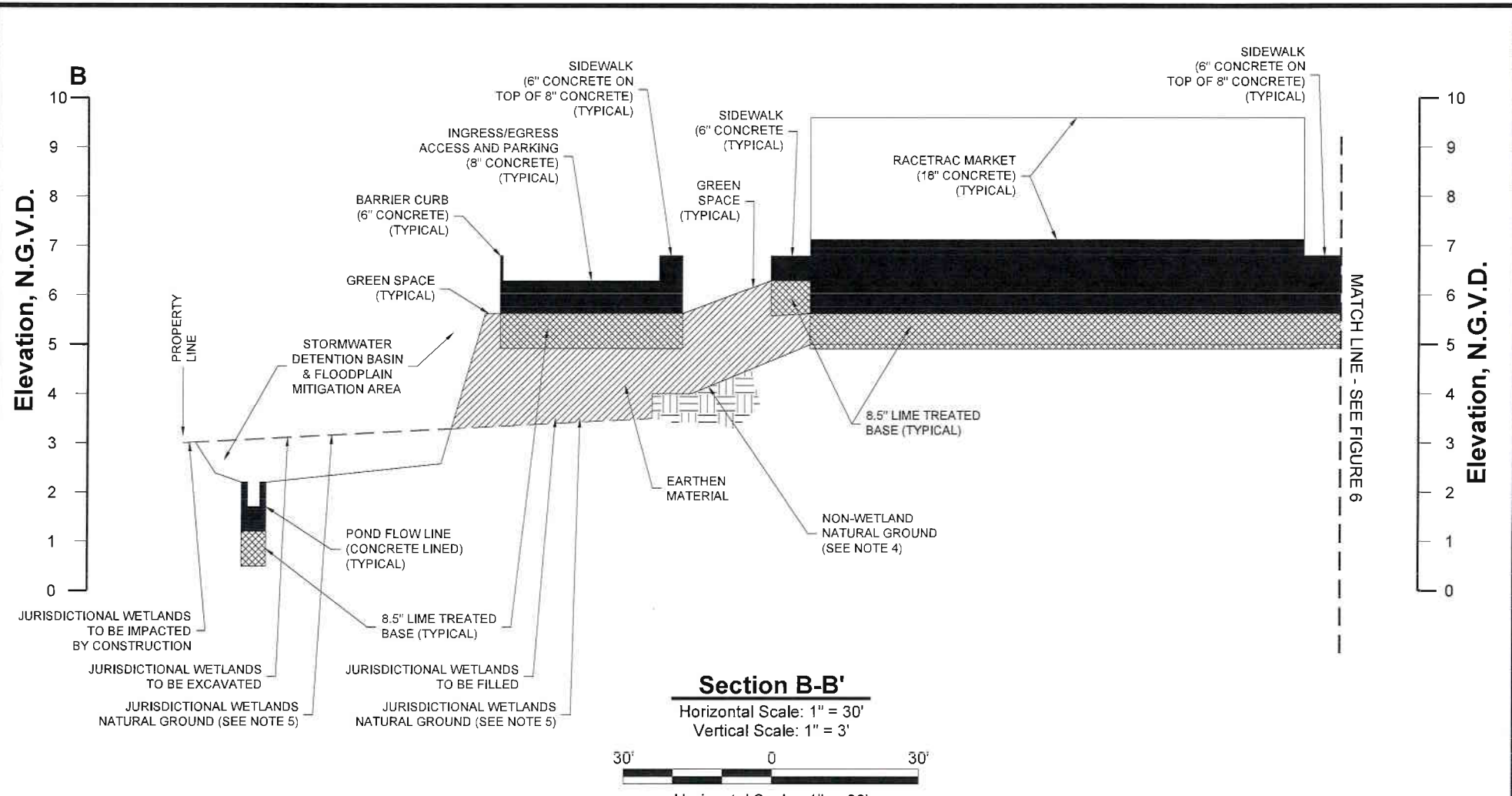
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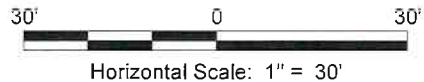
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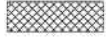

Section B-B'
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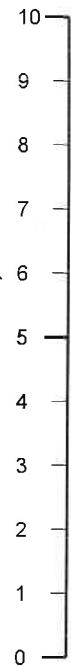
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Elevation, N.G.V.D.



MATCH LINE - SEE FIGURE 5

SIDEWALK
(6" CONCRETE ON
TOP OF 8" CONCRETE)
(TYPICAL)

INGRESS/EGRESS
ACCESS AND PARKING
(8" CONCRETE)
(TYPICAL)

BARRIER CURB
(6" CONCRETE)
(TYPICAL)

PROPERTY
LINE

GREEN
SPACE
(TYPICAL)

STORMWATER DETENTION BASIN
& FLOODPLAIN MITIGATION AREA

GREEN SPACE
(TYPICAL)

NON-WETLAND
NATURAL GROUND
(SEE NOTE 4)

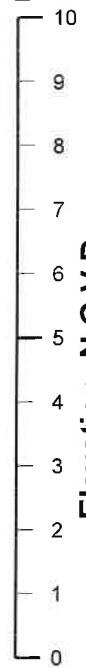
POND FLOW LINE
(CONCRETE LINED)
(TYPICAL)

8.5" LIME TREATED
BASE (TYPICAL)

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NON-WETLAND
NATURAL GROUND
(SEE NOTE 4)

B'



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