

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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Project Manager
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WQC Application Number
WQC #191121-01

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) and [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 LRS 30:2074 A(3) and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

PROPOSED CITY OF THIBODAUX MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS

NAME OF APPLICANT: City of Thibodaux c/o T. Baker Smith, LLC, P.O. Box 2266, Houma, Louisiana 70361.

LOCATION OF WORK: In Thibodaux Municipal Airport, Sections 68, 71, 72, and 83, T15S-R16E, Thibodaux, Louisiana, in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, within the West Central Louisiana Coastal HUC 08090302, as shown on the attached drawings.

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested a Department of the Army authorization to clear and convert 5.38 acres of forested wetlands to emergent wetlands to ensure a clear approach surface is maintained for the airport. Additionally, 0.50 acre of emergent wetlands will be cleared as well to ensure a clear approach is maintained. The proposed runway maintenance clearing area is situated on an approximately 7.31-acre tract that has been determined to be a mixture of forested wetlands, emergent wetlands, uplands, and other waters of the United States. It is anticipated that the proposed action would have minimal impact on adjacent wetlands.

A preliminary analysis has determined that the proposed project would impact approximately 5.38 acres of forested wetlands and 0.50 acre of emergent wetlands.

The applicant is claiming/stated that the proposed project has been designed to avoid and minimize direct and secondary adverse impacts to the maximum extent practicable. As compensation for unavoidable wetland impacts, the applicant proposes to use a Corps approved mitigation bank within the watershed of impact.

The comment period for the Department of Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality 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 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.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would not affect any species, nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of such species, listed as endangered by the U.S. Department of Interior. 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 0 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.

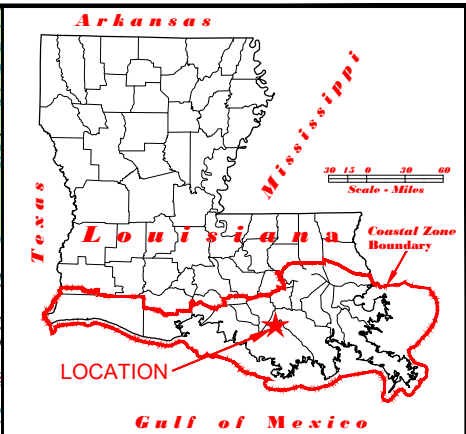
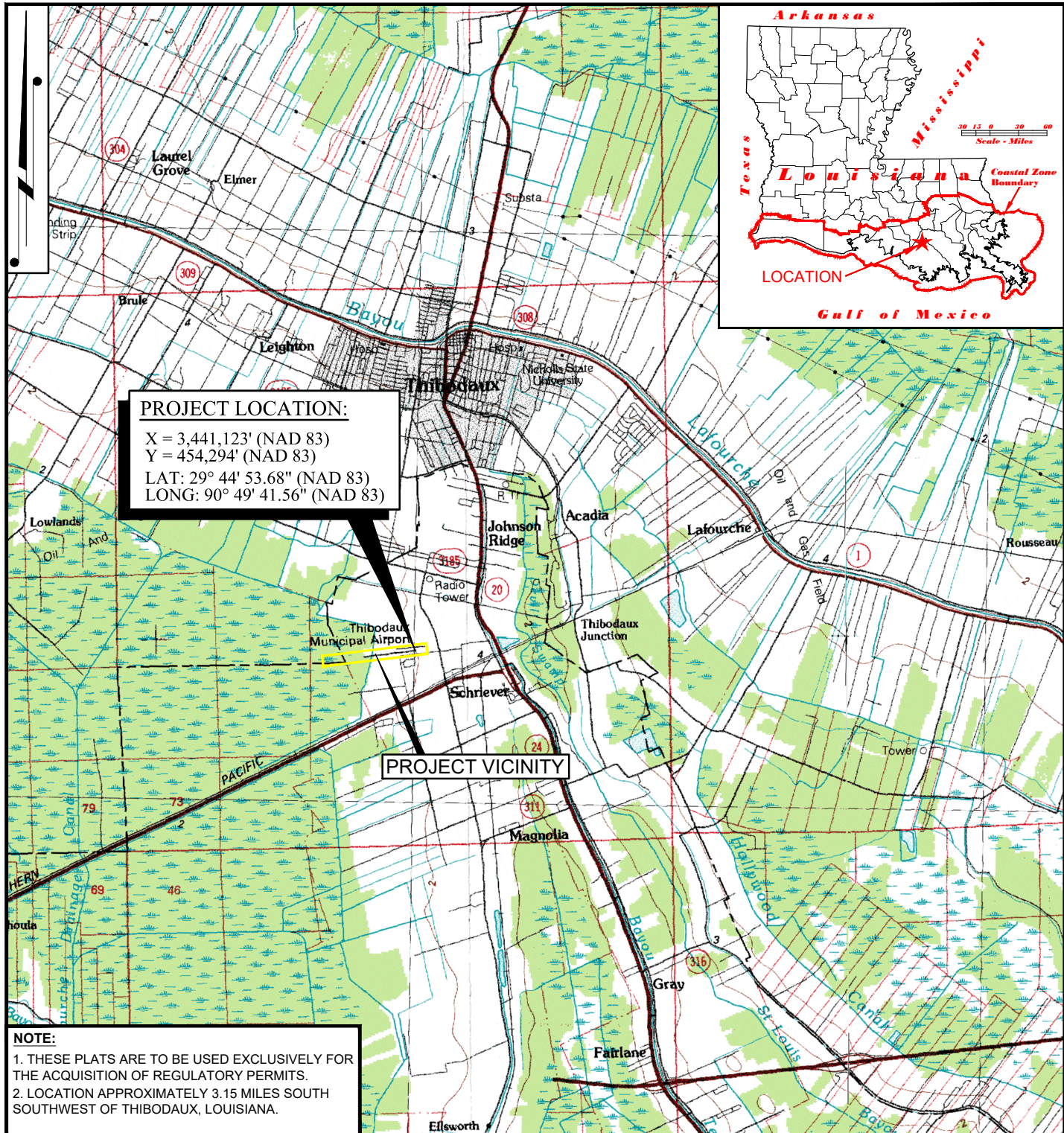
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate 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 P #20190823). 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
Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

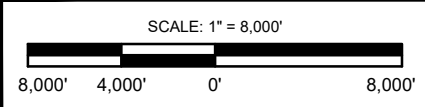


PROJECT LOCATION:
 X = 3,441,123' (NAD 83)
 Y = 454,294' (NAD 83)
 LAT: 29° 44' 53.68" (NAD 83)
 LONG: 90° 49' 41.56" (NAD 83)

PROJECT VICINITY

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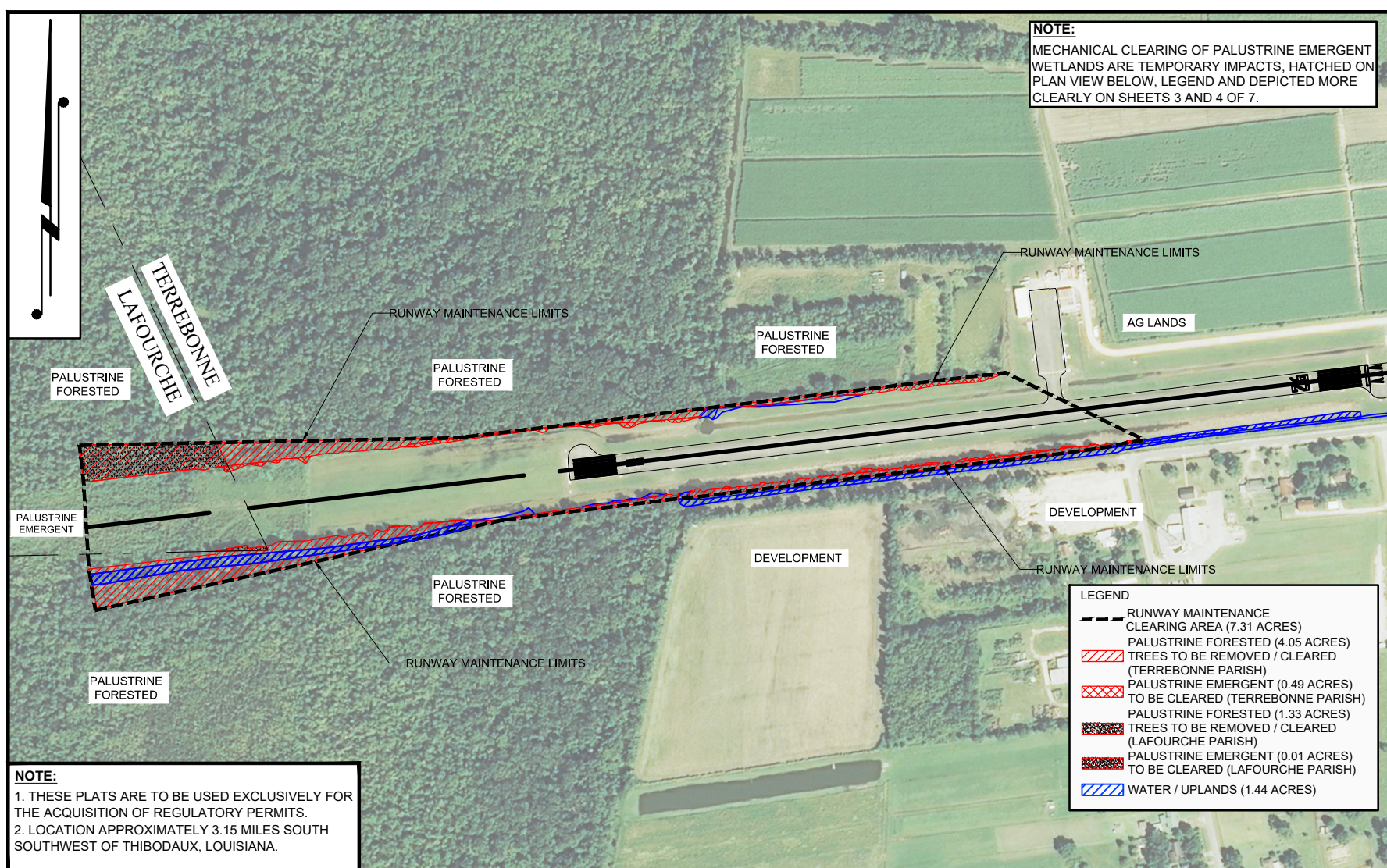
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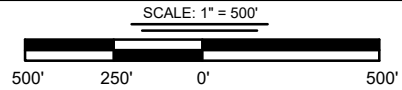
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	PALUSTRINE FORESTED (1.33 ACRES) TREES TO BE REMOVED / CLEARED (LAFORCHE PARISH)
	PALUSTRINE EMERGENT (0.01 ACRES) TO BE CLEARED (LAFORCHE PARISH)
	WATER / UPLANDS (1.44 ACRES)



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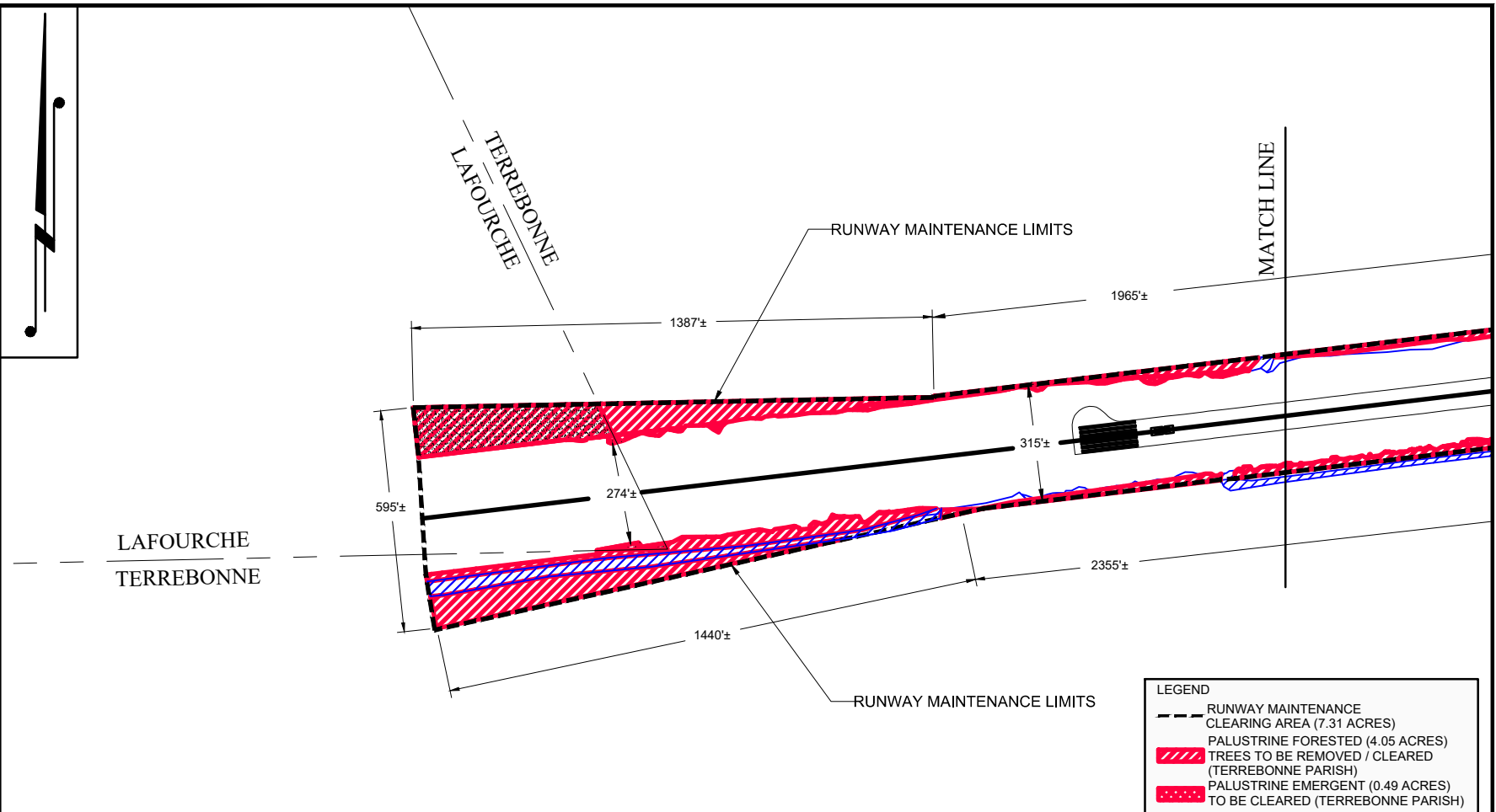
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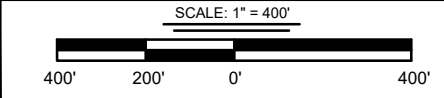
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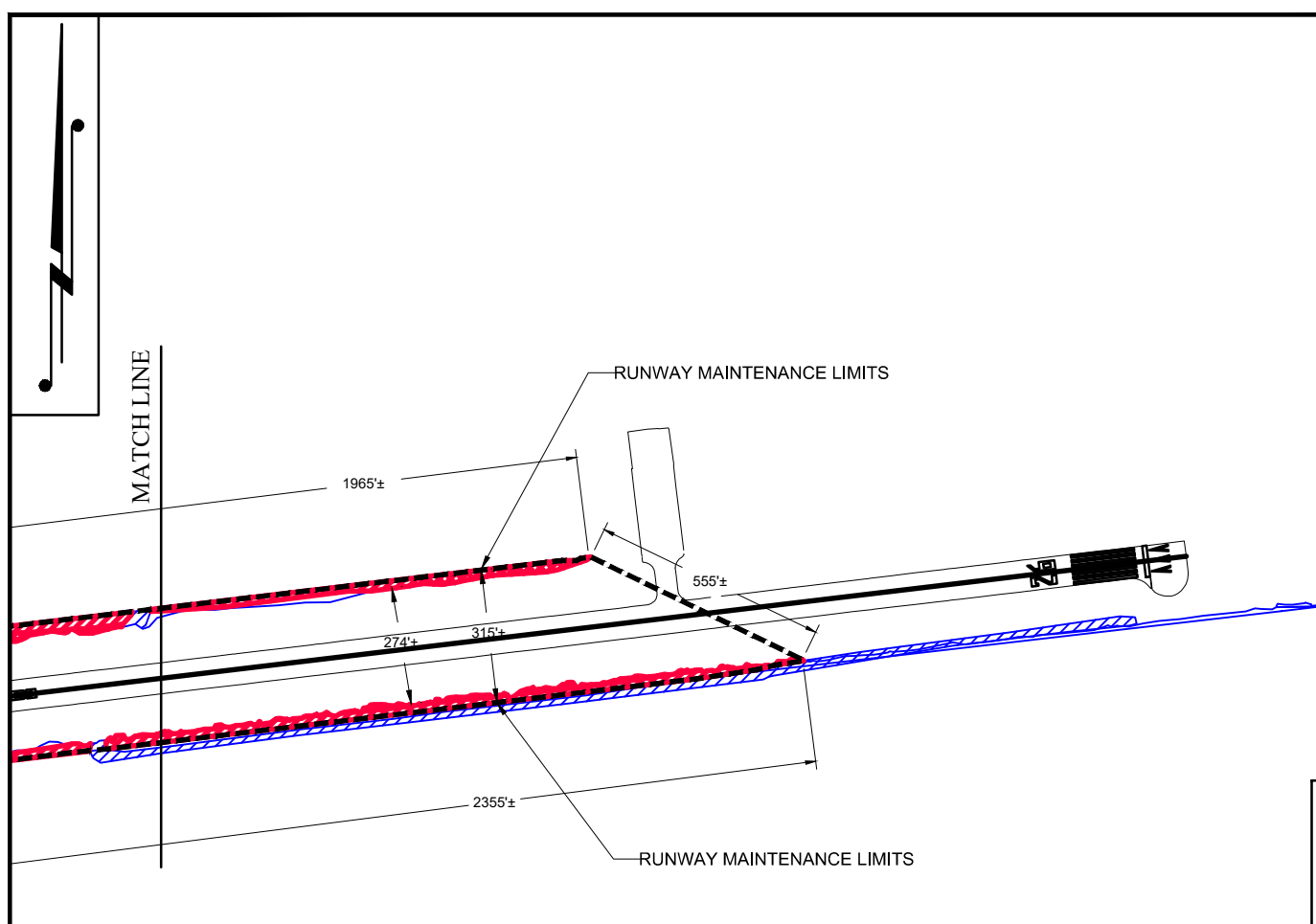
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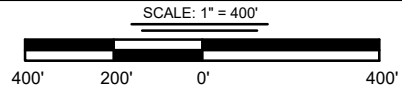
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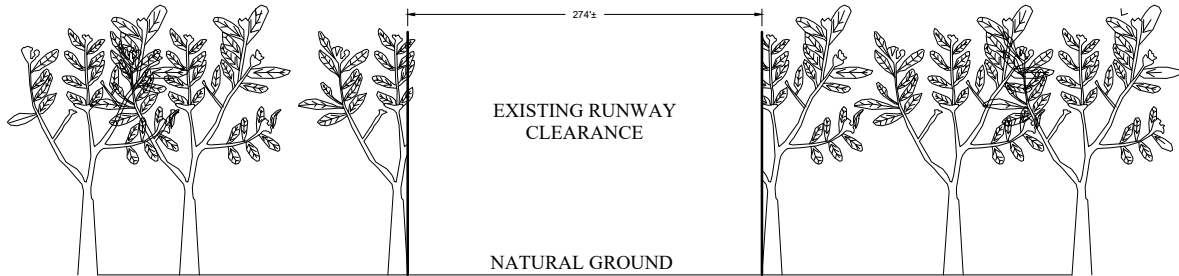
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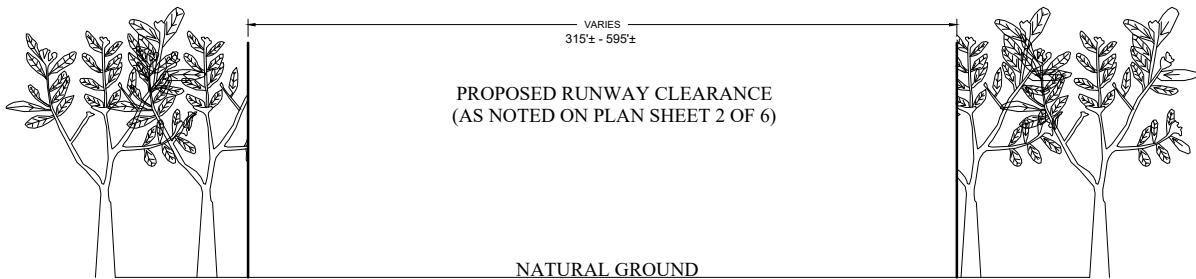
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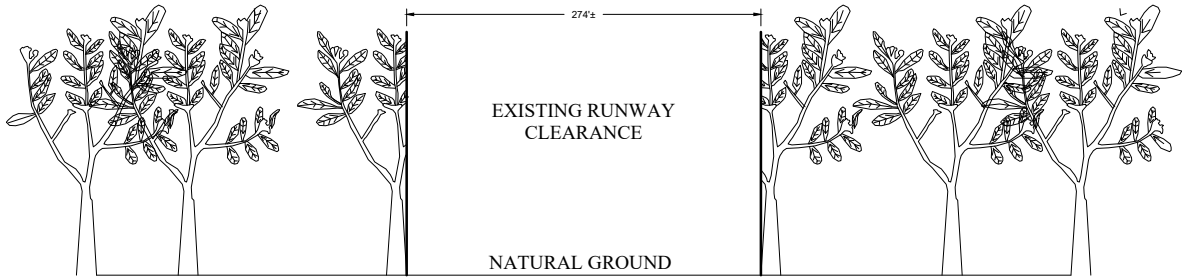
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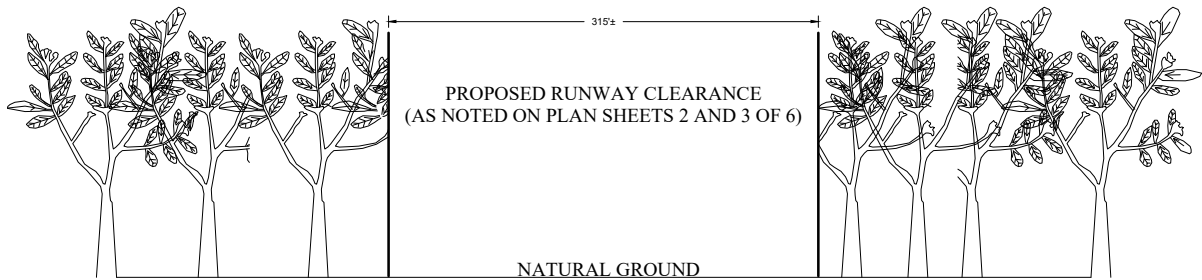
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AS-BUILT DRAWINGS AND/OR PLATS SHALL HAVE WRITTEN ON THEM THE DATE OF COMPLETION OF SAID ACTIVITIES AND SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT, P.O. BOX 44487, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-4487 WITHIN 30 DAYS FOLLOWING PROJECT COMPLETION.

ALL STRUCTURES BUILT UNDER THE AUTHORIZATION AND CONDITION OF THIS PERMIT SHALL BE REMOVED WITHIN (120) DAYS OF ABANDONMENT OF THE FACILITIES FOR THE HEREIN PERMITTED USE, OR WHEN THESE STRUCTURES FALL INTO A STATE OF DISREPAIR SUCH THAT THEY CAN NO LONGER FUNCTION AS INTENDED. THIS CONDITION DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE NECESSITY FOR REVISING THE CURRENT PERMIT OR OBTAINING A SEPARATE COASTAL USE PERMIT, SHOULD ONE BE REQUIRED, FOR SUCH REMOVAL ACTIVITIES.

STRUCTURES MUST ALSO BE MARKED/LIGHTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. COAST GUARD REGULATIONS.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL PARTIES, THE PERMITEE 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.

LIMITED SURVEY DATA WAS COLLECTED IN THE PREPARATION OF THESE PLANS. INFORMATION USED TO PREPARE THESE PLANS WAS GATHERED FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES, EXISTING SURVEY/DATABASE DATA, CLIENT INFORMATION, INTERNET OR GOVERNMENT WEB SITE DATA.

ANY TREES MULCHED/CHIPPED IN WETLANDS WILL BE SPREAD IN THIN LAYERS NOT TO EXCEED 4 INCHES ON SITE IN A MANNER TO MINIMIZE IMPACTS TO WETLANDS.

TOTAL IMPACTS

(Cleared to maintain adequate runway approach)
 CONVERSION OF FORESTED WETLANDS TO EMERGENT 5.38± ACS.

EXCAVATIONS

NON-VEGETATED WATER BOTTOMS: 0 CU. YDS.
 0.00 ACS.

WETLANDS: 0 CU. YDS.
 0 ACS.

FILL AREAS

NON-VEGETATED WATER BOTTOMS: 0 CU. YDS.
 0 ACS.

WETLANDS: 0 CU. YDS.
 0 ACS.


FILL MATERIALS

NATIVE MATERIAL: 0 CU. YDS.
 LIMESTONE: 0 CU. YDS.
 EARTHEN FILL: 0 CU. YDS.

EQUIPMENT

TRACTORS
 BULLDOZERS
 EXCAVATORS, TRACKHOES, & BACKHOES
 VEGETATION CLEARING EQUIPMENT

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