# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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WQC Application Number
WQC # 180720-01

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: [] 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.

#### RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

**NAME OF APPLICANT**: DR Horton Gulf Coast, c/o Michael Henry, Hydrik Wetlands Consultants, 2323 Highway 190 East, Suite 2, Hammond, LA 70401.

**LOCATION OF WORK**: On Jones Creek, Sections 20, 29 and 52, T7S-R2E, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish, within the Pontchartrain Basin in hydrologic unit (HUC 08070202), as shown on the attached drawings (Latitude 30.416310 N, Longitude -91.025610 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 residential development (The Lakes at Jones Creek Subdivision) to include roads, utilities and drainage infrastructure. Approximately 463,870 cubic yards of native material would be excavated and redistributed on site to achieve required grade elevation requirements. Approximately 90,000 cubic yards of concrete will be placed for construction. The proposed project is situated on an approximately 179-acre tract and would impact approximately 6.09 acres of jurisdictional wetlands and approximately 4.1 acres of Waters of the US through excavation and redistribution of fill material.

The applicant has designed the project to avoid and minimize direct and secondary adverse impacts by proposing to utilize best management practices during and after the

construction phase of the project and by modifying the existing drainage capacity on the site by expanding the existing ponds, constructing additional ponds and enhancing existing drainage conveyances. The project will receive approval from all appropriate drainage and sewage agencies. 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 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. 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.

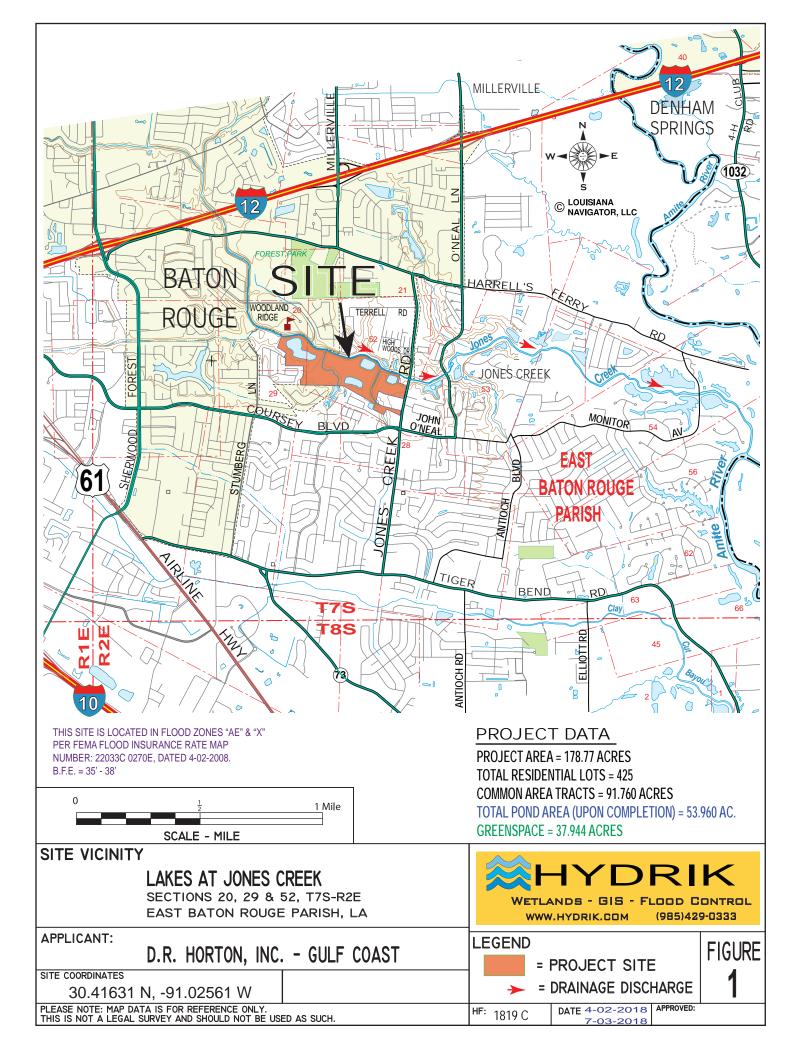
Utilizing Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species in Louisiana (SLOPES), dated October 22, 2014, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Office, the Corps has determined that the proposed activity would have no effect on any listed species.

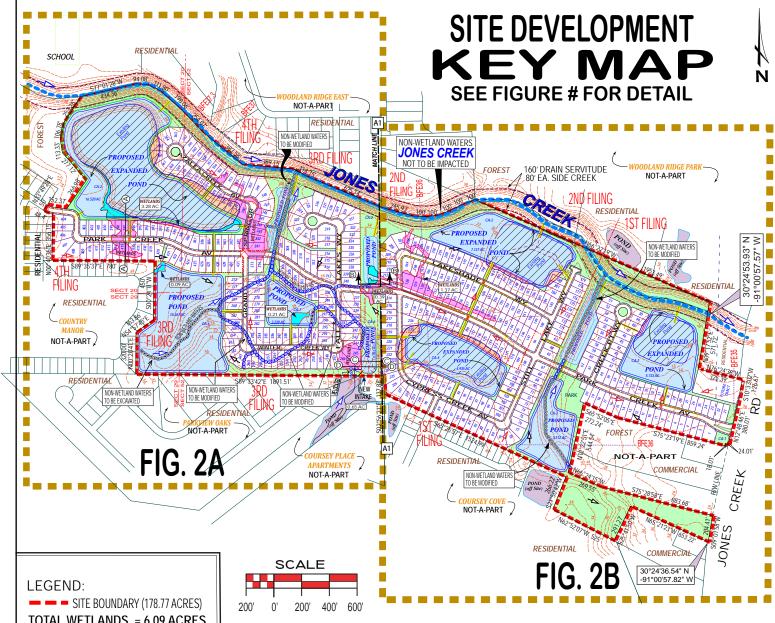
This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of up to <u>n/a</u> acres of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid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





#### TOTAL WETLANDS = 6.09 ACRES

WETLANDS TO BE IMPACTED VIA FILL / GRADING 5.079 AC.

WETLANDS TO BE IMPACTED VIA EXCAVATION 1.011 AC.

#### NON-WETLAND WATERS:

TO BE IMPACTED -MODIFY, REROUTED VIA FILL / GRADING 3,862 LIN. FT / 1.38 AC

TO BE IMPACTED VIA EXCAVATION MODIFIED FOR PONDS 2,932 LIN. FT / 1.145 AC

NOT TO BE IMPACTED- JONES CREEK 5,355 LIN. FT / 4.3 AC

EXISTING POND / TO REMAIN / MODIFY 26.94 AC (13.87 Jurisdictional / 13.07 Isolated)

TO BE IMPACTED VIATILE, SINGUING PONDS) TO BE IMPACTED VIA FILL / GRADING

THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN FLOOD ZONES "AE" & "X" PER FEMA FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP NUMBER: 22033C 0270E, DATED 4-02-2008 B.F.E. = 35' - 38'

	PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY
	SERVITUDE
	PROPOSED DETENTION POND
	ADJACENT POND (OFF SITE)
	GREENSPACE / 37.944 ACRES
	DRAIN PIPES: 36" PVC
<b>→</b>	DRAINAGE FLOW: PRE-CONSTRUCTION

DRAINAGE FLOW: POST CONSTRUCTION

### PROJECT DATA

PROJECT AREA = 178.77 ACRES TOTAL RESIDENTIAL LOTS = 425 COMMON AREA TRACTS = 91.760 ACRES TOTAL POND AREA (UPON COMPLETION) = 53.960 AC. TOTAL EXISTING POND AREA = 13.87 AC. TOTAL POND AREA TO BE EXCAVATED & DISPERSED ON SITE = 463,870 CU. YDS.\* GREENSPACE = 37.944 ACRES

#### NOTES:

- \* = BASED ON ESTIMATE OF EXISTING PONDS 8 FT DEPTH, TOTAL VOLUME = 819,691 CU. YDS. (EXISTING = 355,821 CU. YDS.).
- ALL OUTFALL PIPES LEADING INTO JONES CREEK TO BE DOUBLE 36" PVC.

APPLICANT: D.R. HORTON, INC. - GULF COAST

## LAKES AT JONES CREEK

SECTIONS 20, 29 & 52, T7S-R2E EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, LA

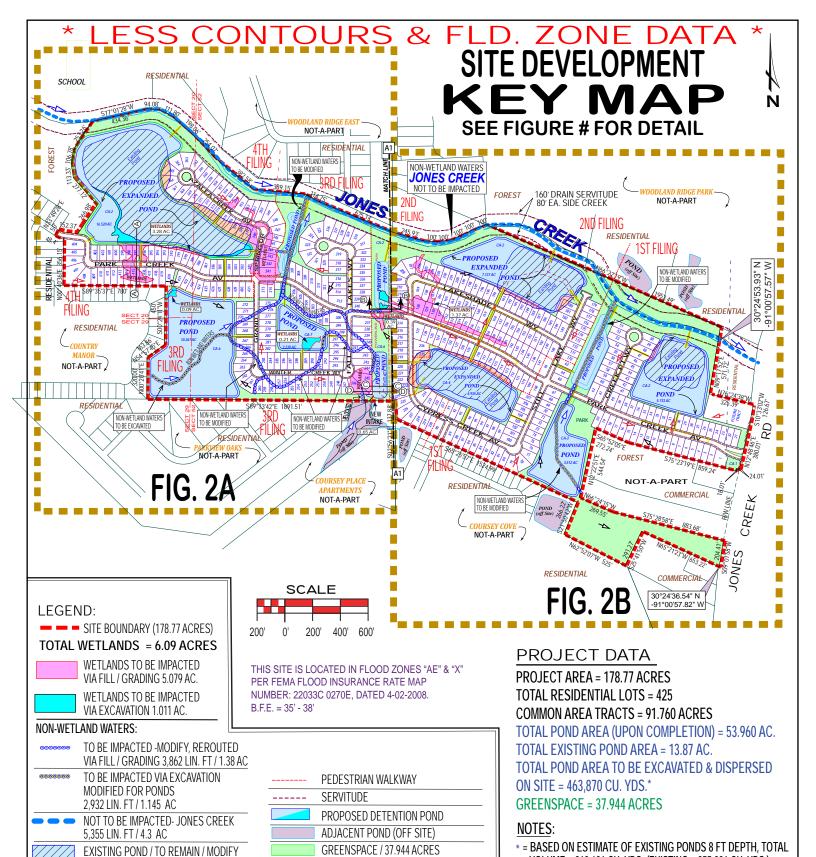


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**FIGURE** 

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DRAIN PIPES: 36" PVC

DRAINAGE FLOW: PRE-CONSTRUCTION

DRAINAGE FLOW: POST CONSTRUCTION

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## \_AKES AT JONES CREEK

TO BE IMPACTED VIATILET ON BUILD 3,205 LIN. FT / 2.72 AC (EXISTING PONDS) TO BE IMPACTED VIA FILL / GRADING

26.94 AC (13.87 Jurisdictional / 13.07 Isolated)

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DOUBLE 36" PVC.

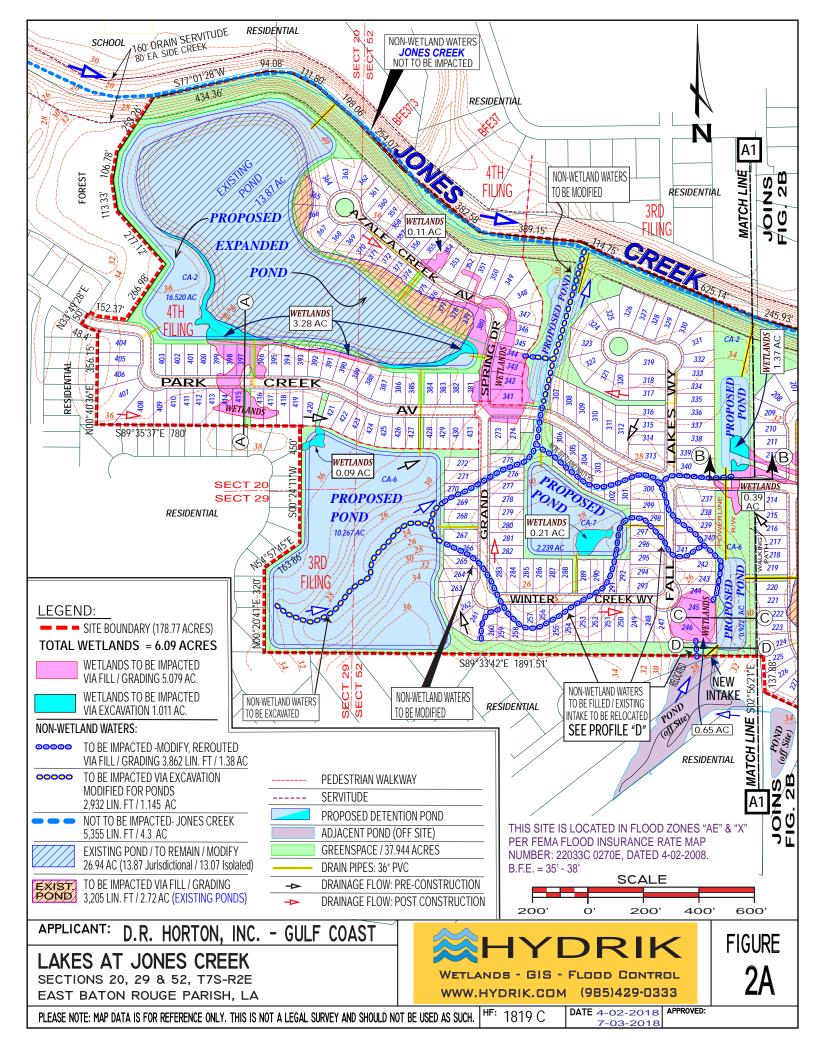
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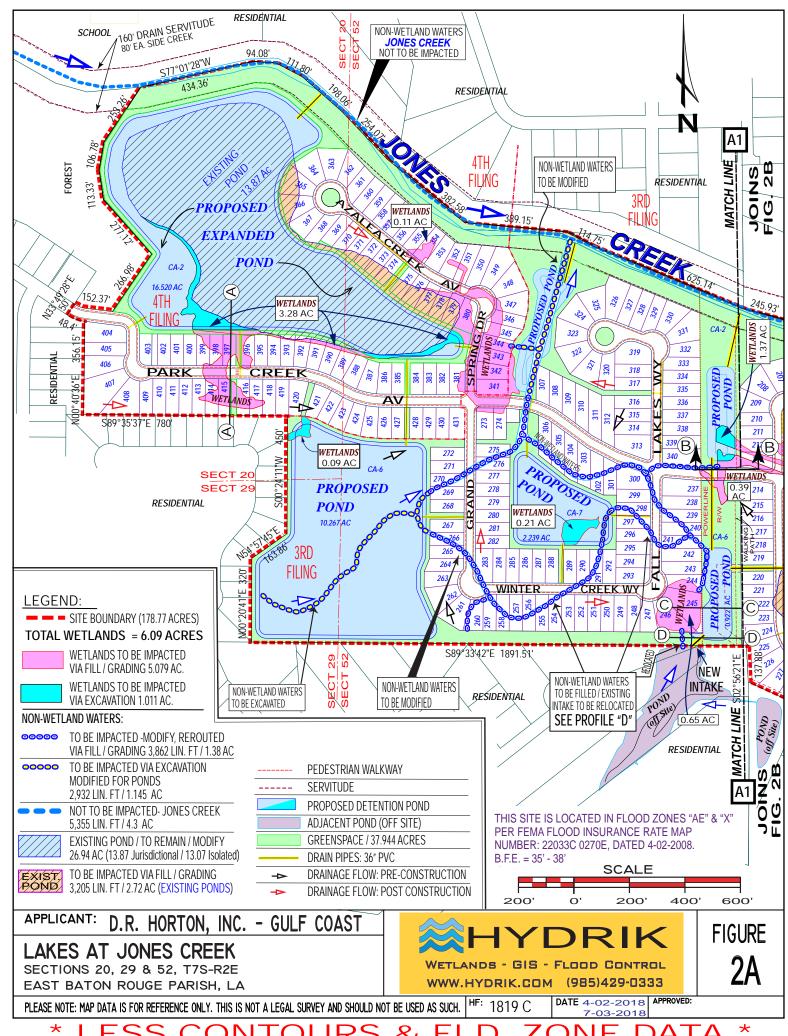
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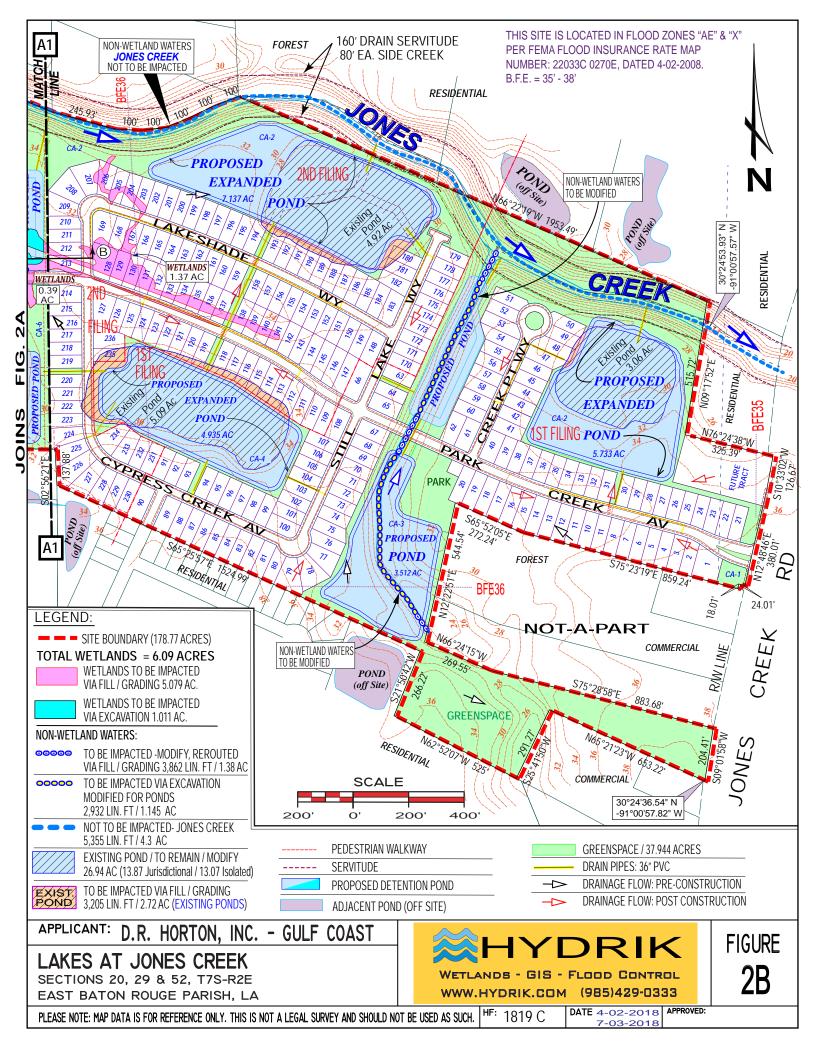
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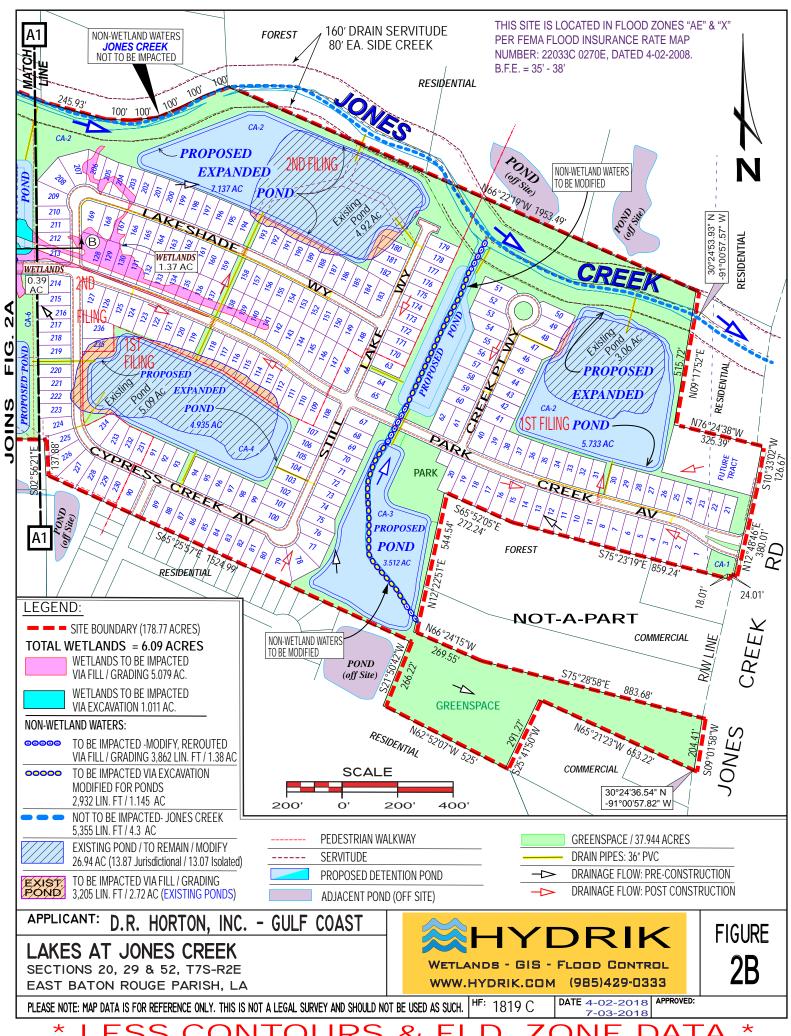
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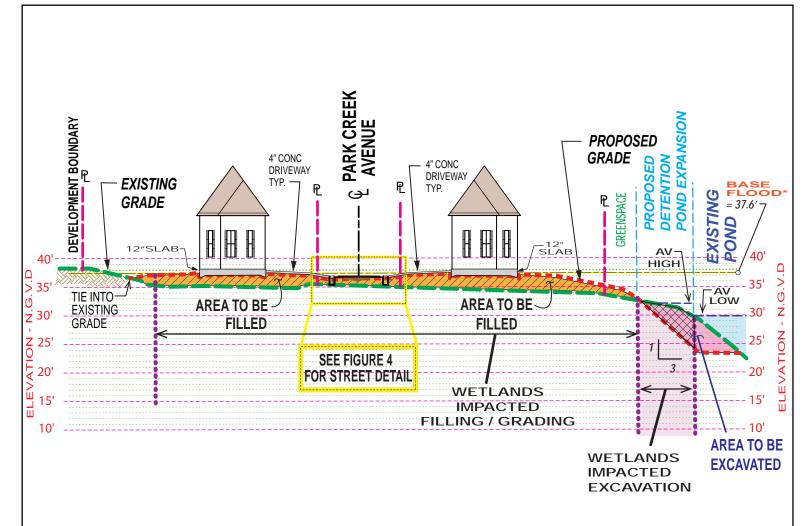
- ALL OUTFALL PIPES LEADING INTO JONES CREEK TO BE





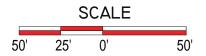






## **SECTION A-A**

**PROFILE VIEW** 



## LEGEND:

**EXISTING GRADE** 

PROPOSED GRADE

PROPOSED CONCRETE

AREA TO BE EXCAVATED

WETLANDS IMPACTED VIA FILL / GRADING

WETLANDS IMPACTED VIA EXCAVATION

**BASE FLOOD FOR THIS SITE** IS FROM 35 FT TO 38 FT

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## AKES AT JONES CREEK

AREA TO BE FILLED

SECTIONS 20, 29 & 52, T7S-R2E EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, LA

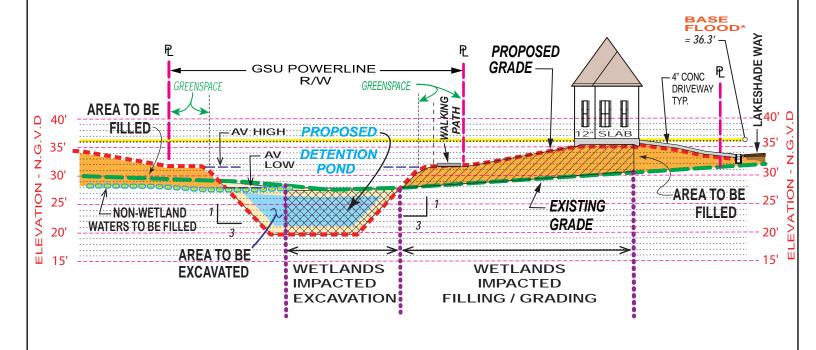


**FIGURE 3A** 

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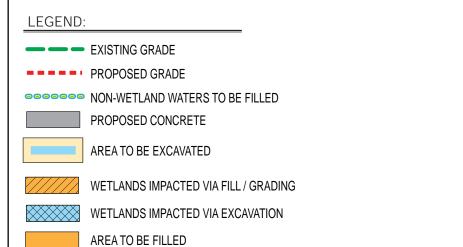
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# SECTION B-B PROFILE VIEW





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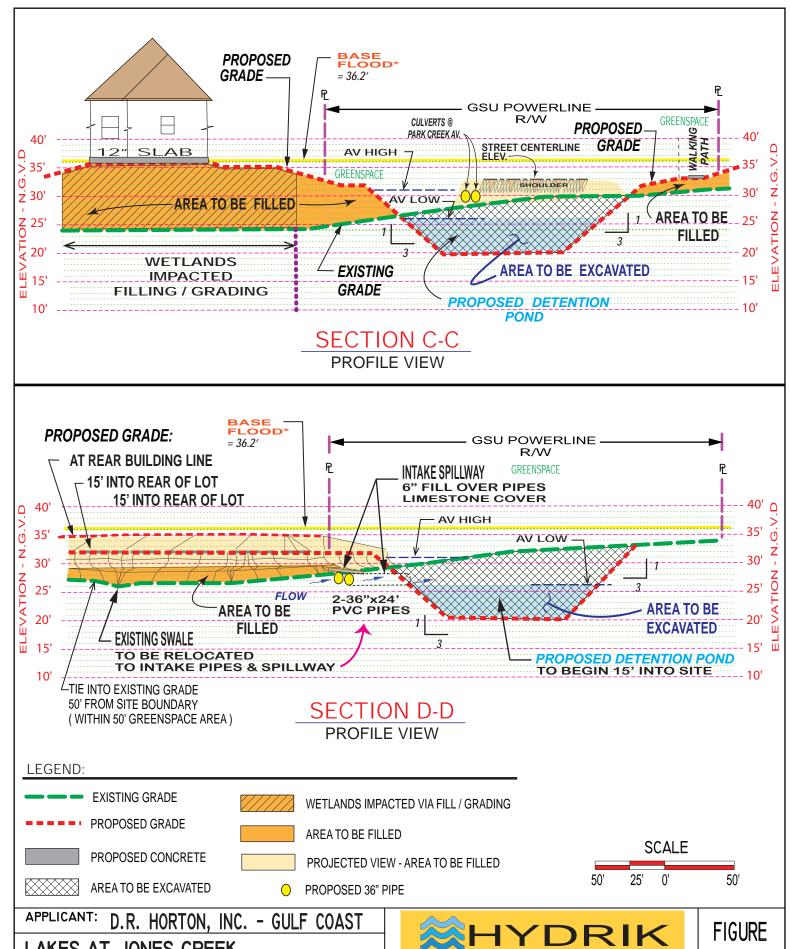
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FIGURE 3B

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# LAKES AT JONES CREEK SECTIONS 20, 29 & 52, T7S-R2E

SECTIONS 20, 29 & 52, T7S-R2E EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, LA



FIGURE 3C

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