

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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United States Army
Corps of Engineers
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Permit Application Number
MVN 2017-01531 EMM

State of Louisiana
Department of Environmental Quality
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Project Manager
Elizabeth Hill
WQC Application Number
WQC 181211-01

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. 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/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, Water Quality Certifications, 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.

CLEAR, GRADE, AND FILL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PORT SHIP SERVICES FACILITY AT MILE 53.1 RDB OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER IN PLAQUEMINES PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District c/o Matrix PDM Engineering, 3510 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 515, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112.

LOCATION OF WORK: Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, near Davant, Louisiana, in Plaquemines Parish, as shown on the attached drawings.

HUC: 08090100: Lower Mississippi River – New Orleans
Latitude: 29.601581 Longitude: -89.859881

CHARACTER OF WORK: Clear, grade, and fill for the construction of a 200'x60' parking area on the protected side of the Mississippi River levee and a 25'x68' ramp, 35'x30' building, 20'x18' forklift shed, 160'x60' parking area, and mooring dolphins for a 33'x90' floating barge dock with a 25'x25' pile supported crane platform on the unprotected side of the levee at approximately the 53.1 mile mark of the Right Descending Bank of the Mississippi River near Davant, Louisiana. The existing port ship facilities immediately upstream of the proposed facilities will be completely removed upon completion of the new facilities. Approximately 1.36 acres are to be filled with native material, gravel, and concrete and approximately 0.59 of these acres are wetlands. The impacts are proposed to be mitigated for at an approved off-site mitigation bank.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **30 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.

The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined 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. Issuance of the public notice solicits input from the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Office regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

The New Orleans District has determined that the proposed work would neither affect any species or critical habitat listed as endangered by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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, Water Quality Certifications, before a permit is issued.

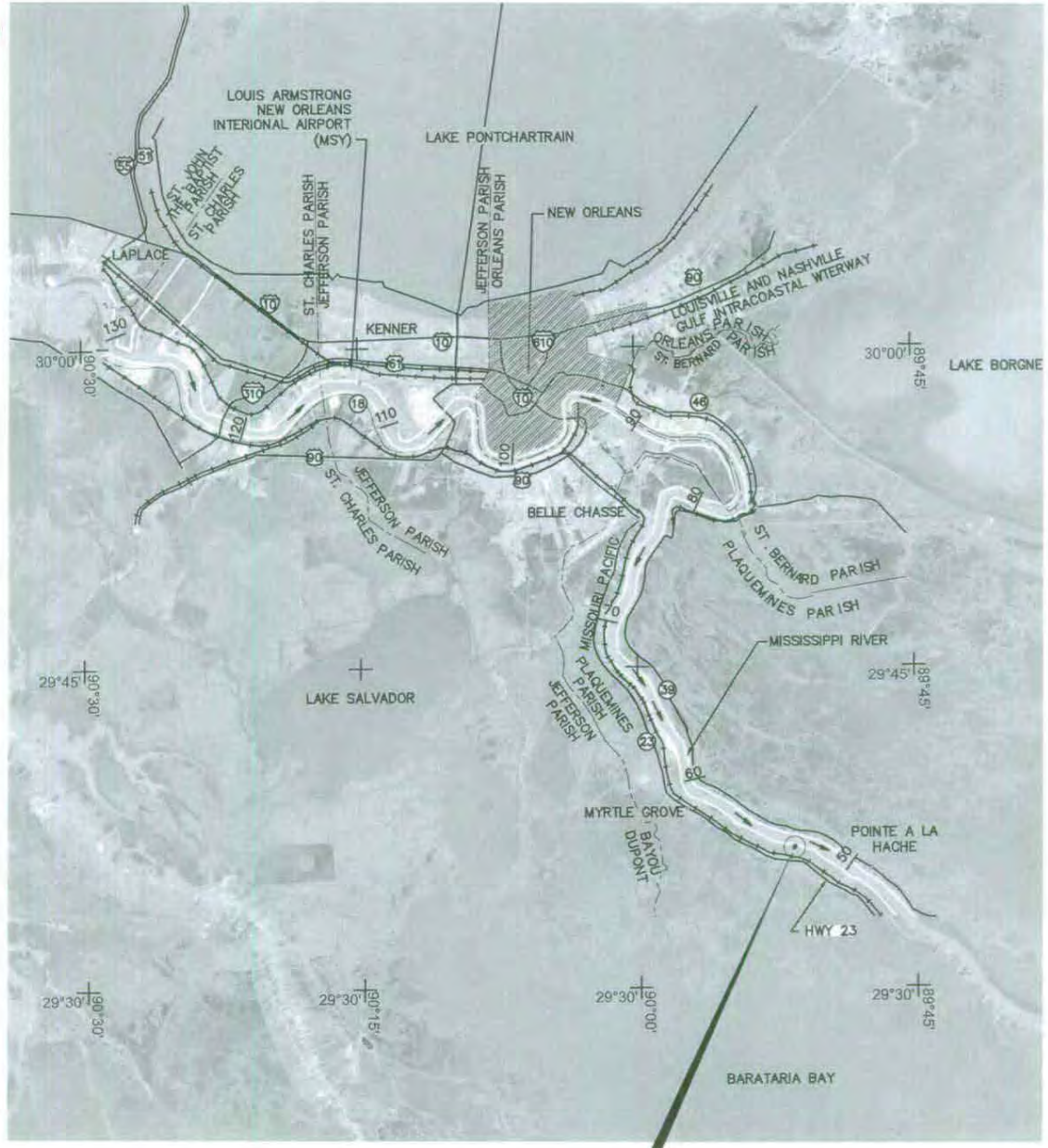
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

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. 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.

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.

Michael Farabee
Chief, Eastern Evaluation Section

Enclosures



PROJECT LOCATION
 APPROX. RIVER MILE 53
 LAT = 29° 36' 04.6330" N
 LONG = 89° 51' 35.0722" W

VICINITY MAP



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PLAQUEMINES PORT HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT PARCEL B-3 RELOCATION LOUISIANA
VICINITY MAP

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- VM0001 VICINITY MAP
- VM0002 ENLARGED VICINITY MAP C
- P0001 DRAWING LIST AND NOTES
- P0002 OVERALL SITE PLAN
- P0003 PLAN & PROFILE - SECTION A & B - SHEET 1 OF 3
- P0004 PLAN & PROFILE - SECTION C & E - SHEET 2 OF 3
- P0005 PLAN & PROFILE - SECTION D - SHEET 3 OF 3

NOTES:

1. AS-BUILT DRAWINGS WILL BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, PIPELINE DIVISION, P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275, AND TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, COASTAL MANAGEMENT DIVISION, P. O. BOX 44487, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-4487.
2. MARINE STRUCTURES MUST ALSO BE MARKED/LIGHTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. COAST GUARD REGULATIONS.
3. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL PARTIES, THE PERMITTEE 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.
4. CONSTRUCTION OVER THE LEVEE AND CONSTRUCTION WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE LEVEE TOE IS LIMITED TO RIVER STAGES BELOW +11 FEET ON THE CARROLLTON GAGE.
5. PILE DRIVING IS LIMITED TO RIVER STAGES BELOW +11 FEET ON THE CARROLLTON GAGE.
6. RIP RAP SIZE IS TO BE $D_{50} = 15"$ (MAX) WITH A LAYER THICKNESS OF 24" (MIN.) TO 30" (MAX.)
7. THE EXISTING PORT SHIP SERVICES FACILITY WILL BE RELOCATED APPROXIMATELY 2,100 FEET DOWNSTREAM OF ITS CURRENT LOCATION. THE EXISTING PORT SHIP SERVICES FACILITY WILL BE COMPLETELY REMOVED INCLUDING DOCK, BUILDINGS/STRUCTURES, VEHICLE PARKING AREAS, AND/OR ACCESS ROADS. AFTER REMOVAL, ALL DISTURBED AREAS ON THE LEVEE CROWN, LEVEE SLOPES, AND BATTURE WILL BE RESTORED PER CURRENT FACILITY PERMIT CONDITIONS AND PER U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS STANDARDS. EXISTING PILES WILL BE LEFT IN-PLACE AND CUT OFF A MINIMUM OF 3- FEET BELOW GRADE/MUDLINE. C

APPLICABLE STANDARDS

- U.S.A.C.E. STANDARD DRAWING H-8-29027
TYPICAL RIVER LEVEE'S SURFACE CROSSING
- U.S.A.C.E. STANDARD DRAWING H-18-45204
REPAIR PROCEDURES REQUIRED WHEN PENETRATING
REVETMENTS WITH PILES, CAISSONS AND/OR PILE CLUSTERS.
- U.S.A.C.E. STANDARD DRAWING H-2-29027
PIPELINE CROSSING OVER LEVEES & FLOODWALLS SURFACE
CROSSINGS TYP. FOR RIVER LEVEES.

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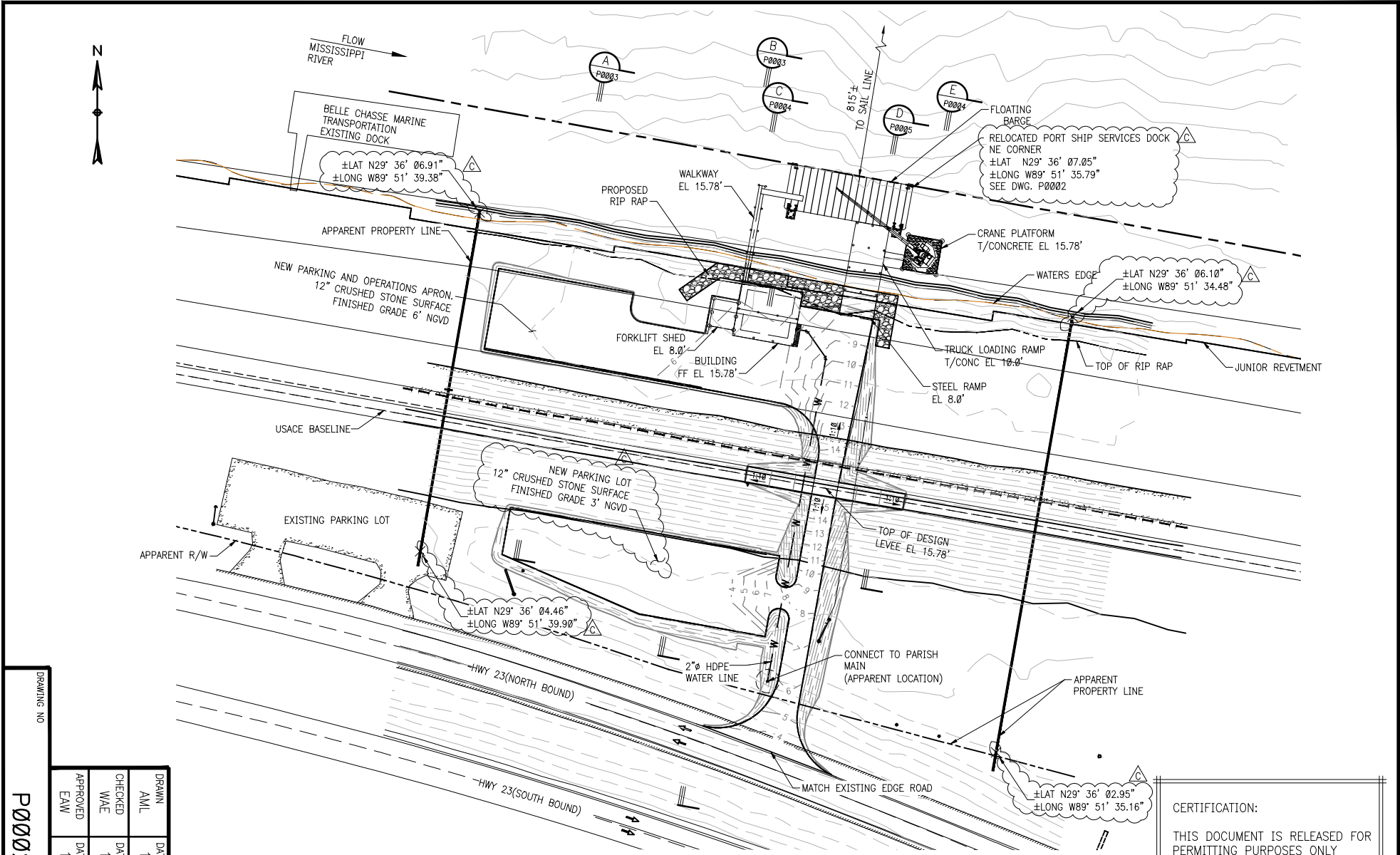
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PLAQUEMINES, PARISH
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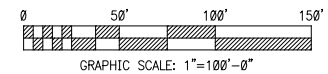
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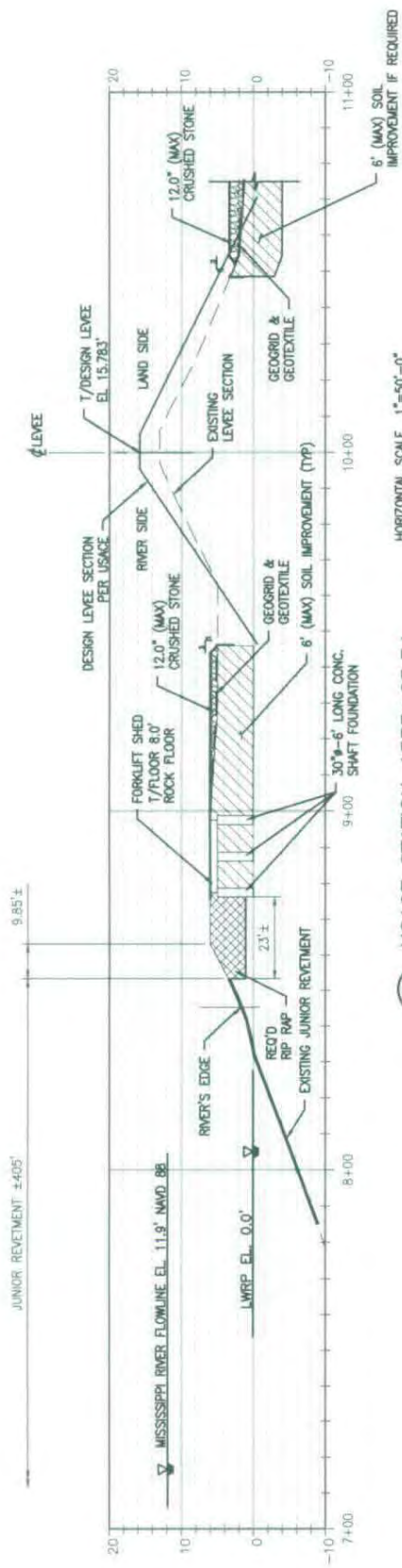
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 PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

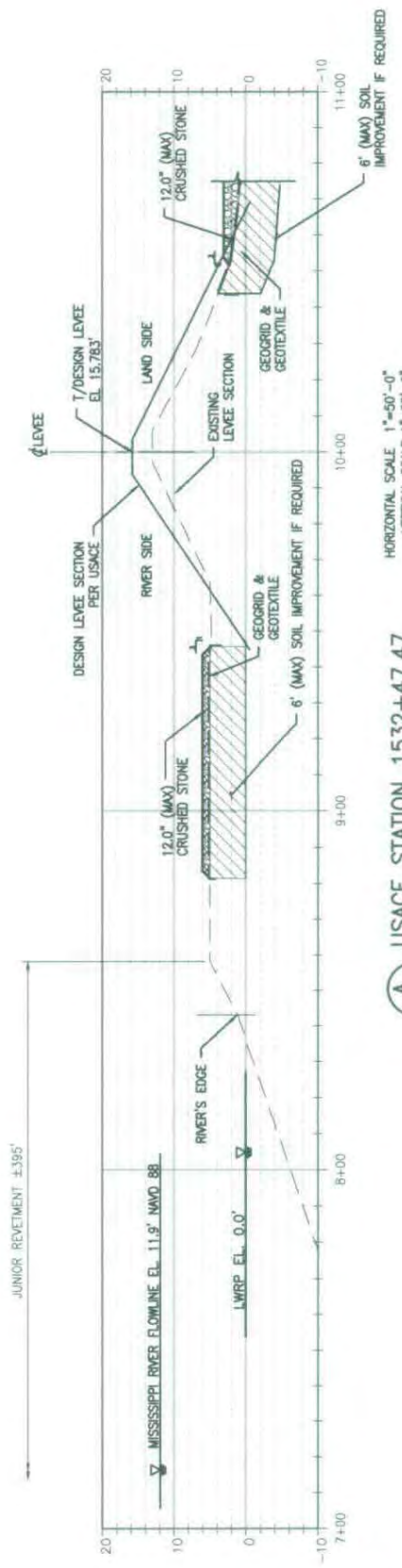
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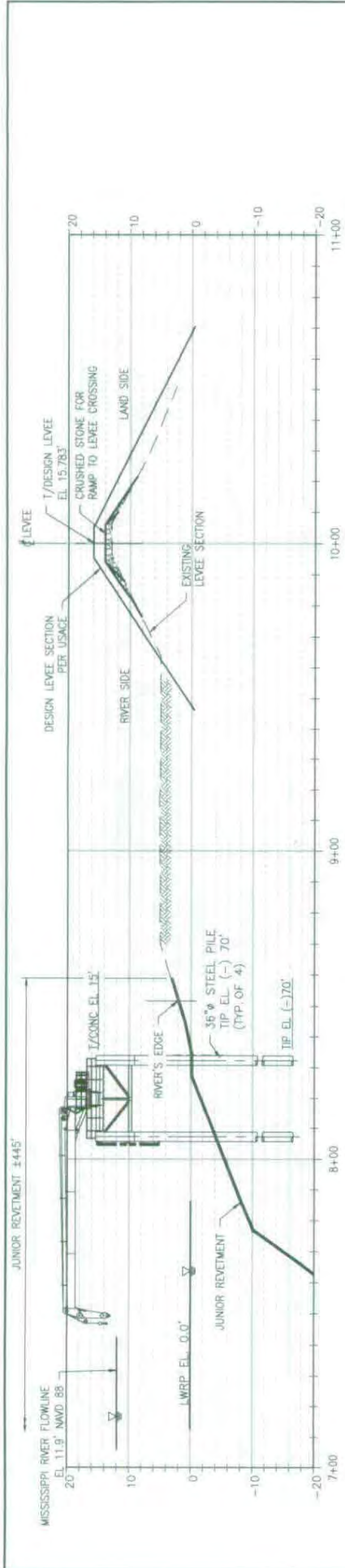
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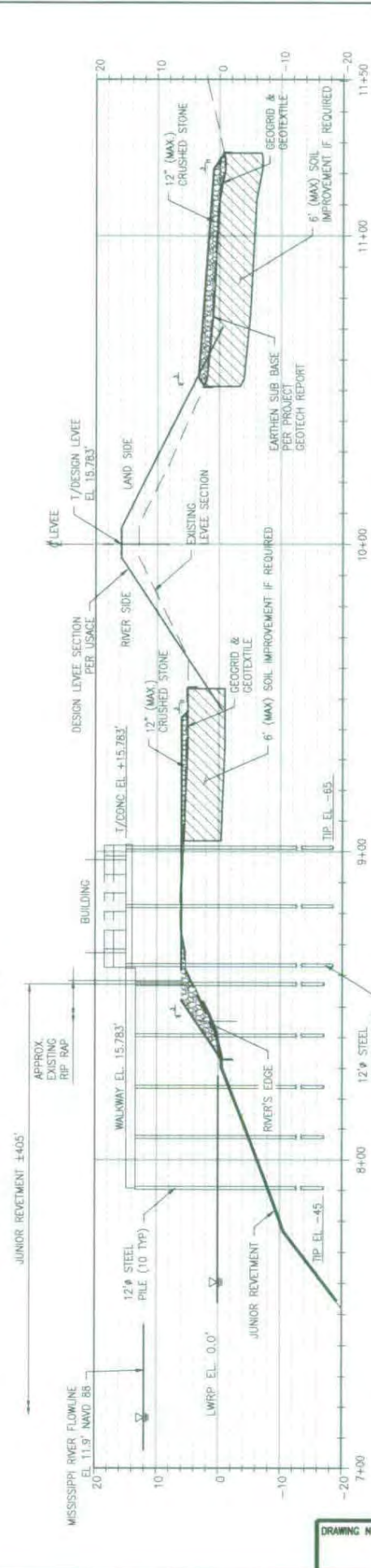


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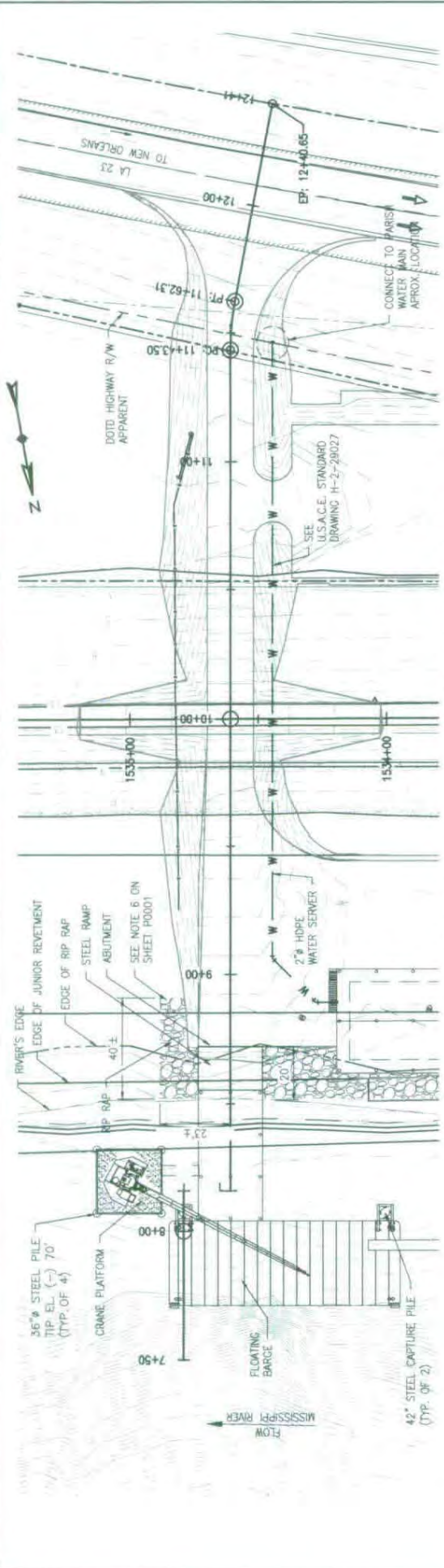
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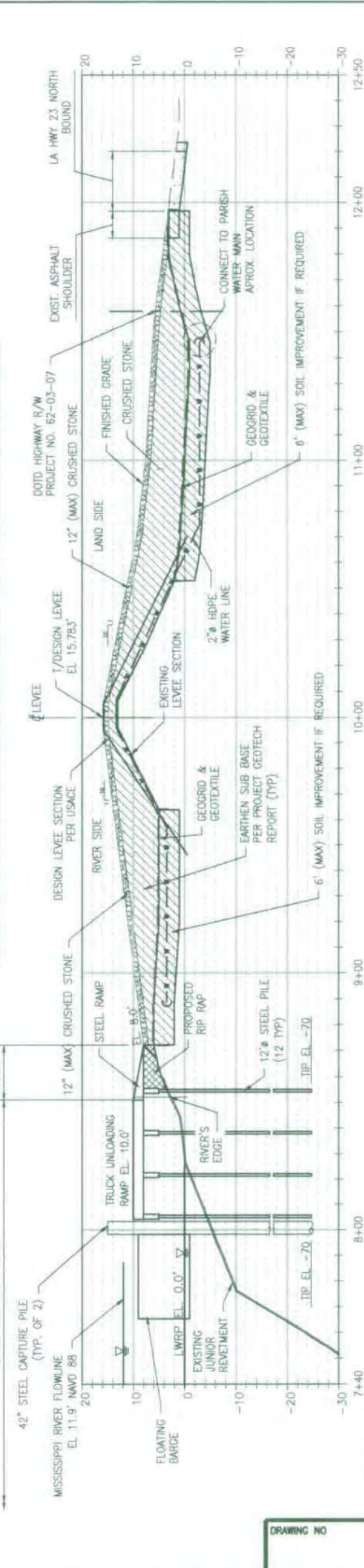


PLAQUEMINES PORT HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT
 PARCEL B-3 RELOCATION
 PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA
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