PUBLIC NOTICE

July 19, 2021

United States Army Corps of Engineers New Orleans District Attn: Regulatory Branch, ODR-W 7400 Leake Ave. New Orleans, Louisiana 70118-3651

Project Manager: Sara Fortuna (504) 862-2284 <u>sara.b.fortuna@usace.army.mil</u> Application #: MVN-2018-00377-WKK

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).

BOAT LAUNCH, BULKHEAD, AND FILL IN TERREBONNE PARISH

<u>NAME OF APPLICANT</u>: Best Boat and RV Park, L.L.C., c/o: Morris P. Hebert, Inc., 8724 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809.

LOCATION OF WORK: Located in Terrebonne Parish, off Dr. Beatrous Road and Bayou Dularge, located in the community of Theriot, Louisiana, (Latitude North: 29°25′23.75″, Longitude West: -90°45′58.45″), as shown within the attached drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 08090302, Terrebonne Basin).

CHARACTER OF WORK: Conduct dredging and excavation operations along Bayou Dularge, all for the purpose to construct a boat mooring area with 13 mooring pilings and a 20-foot wide by 30-foot long boat launch, install approximately 835 feet of bulkhead, and place approximately 197 cubic yards of dredged fill material and 3,936 cubic yards of excavated fill material behind the bulkhead for boat storage and parking, and 67 cubic yards of excavated fill material and 15 cubic yards of concrete for the boat launch. Approximately 1.51 acres of emergent wetlands and 1.46 acres of non-wetland waters would be permanently impacted via project implementation. If a Department of the Army permit is warranted, the applicant has proposed to mitigate unavoidable wetlands impacts at an approved and acceptable mitigation bank within the N.O. District.

The comment period on the requested Department of the Army Permit will close <u>20 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 request, and must be submitted so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters and/or comments concerning the subject permit application must reference the Applicant's Name and the Permit Application Number, and can be emailed to the Corps of Engineers project manager listed above, or forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at

the address above, <u>ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH, ODR-W, "Sara Fortuna"</u>. Individuals or parties may also request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by mail or by emailing the specified project manager listed above. Any request for an extension of time to comment 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 and inclusive of the initial comment period and will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days.

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 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. As necessary, copies of this public notice will be sent to the State Archeologist, State Historic Preservation Officer and federally listed tribes regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

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. Based on the Information Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool for Endangered Species in Louisiana, as signed on January 27, 2020, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, it has been determined that the project would not likely to adversely affect the West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*).

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal may result in the destruction, alteration, and/or disturbance of **2.97 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 LA Department of Environmental Quality before a Department of the Army 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.

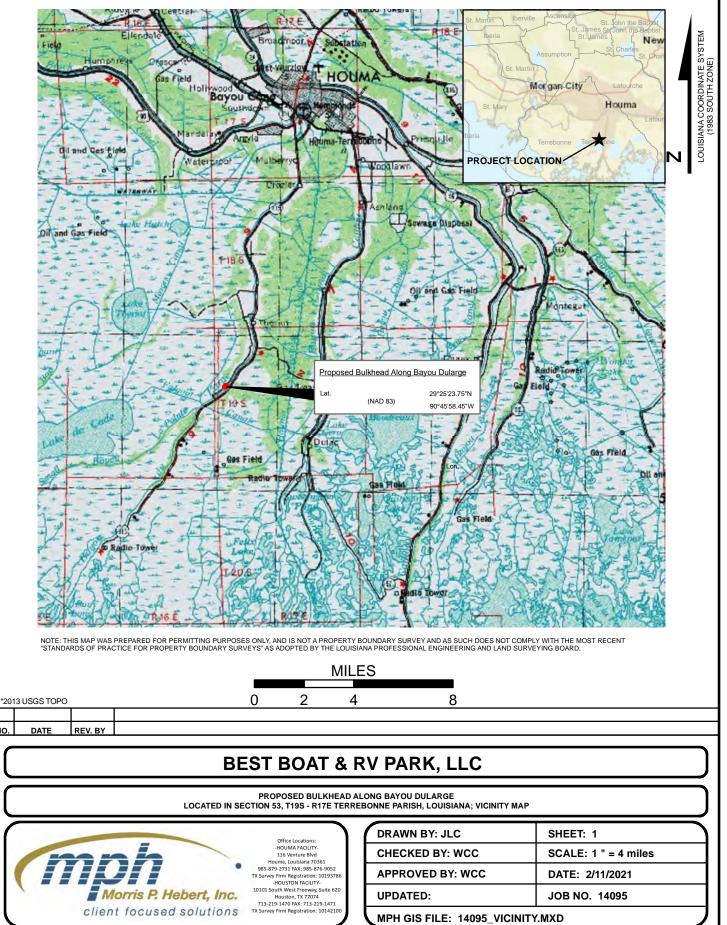
The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant receives approval or a waiver of the Coastal Use Permit by the Department of Natural Resources.

You are invited to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Darrell S. Barbara Chief, Western Evaluation Section Regulatory Branch

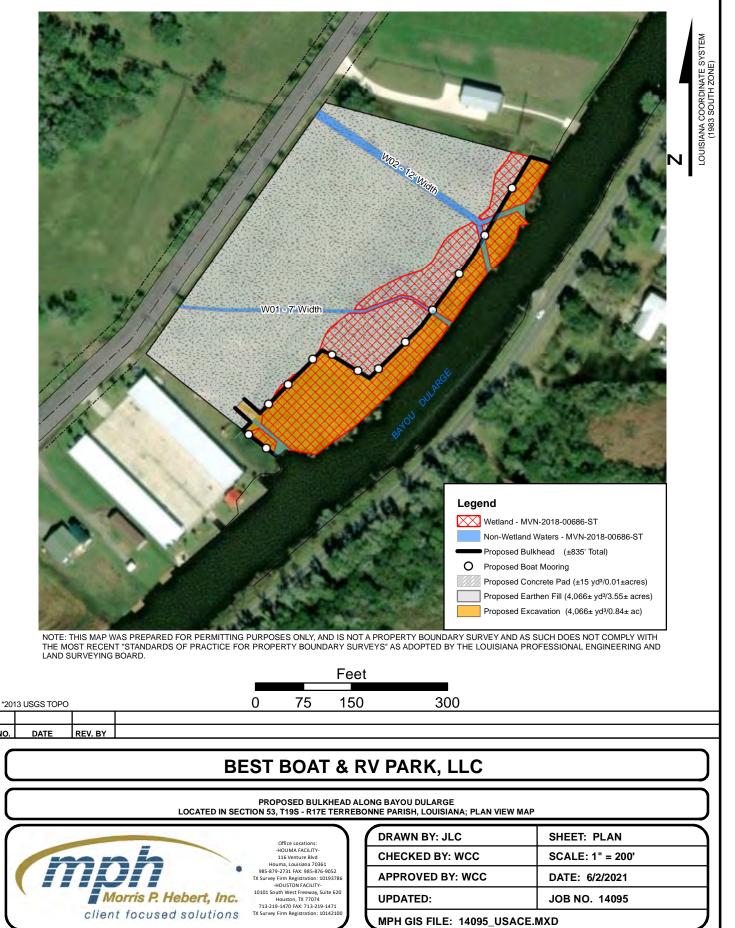
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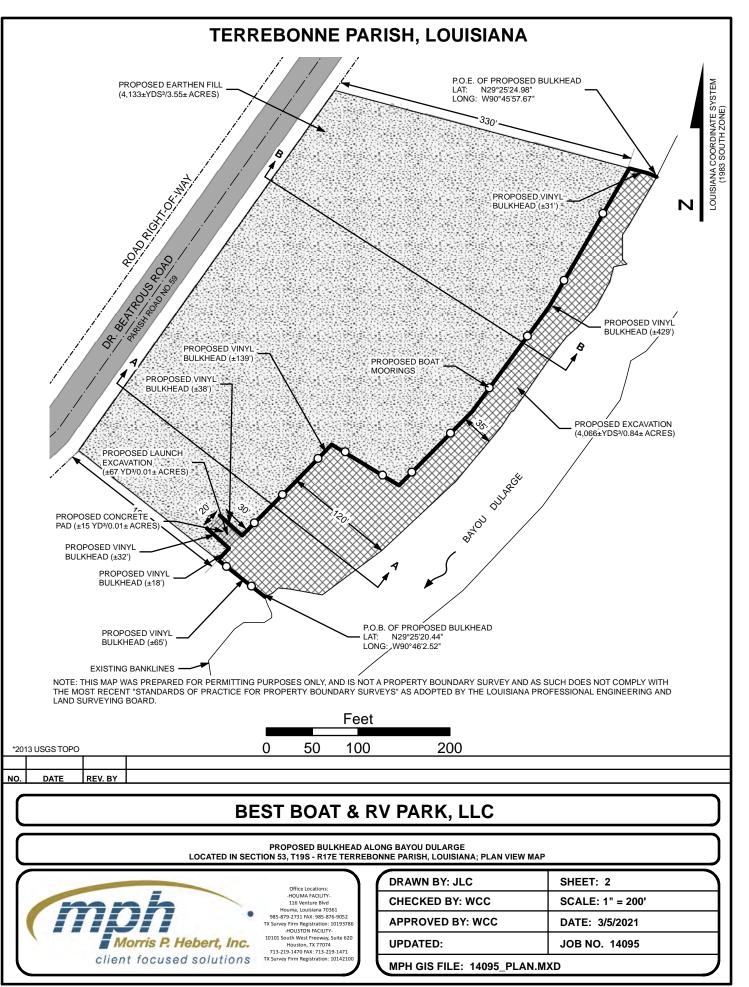


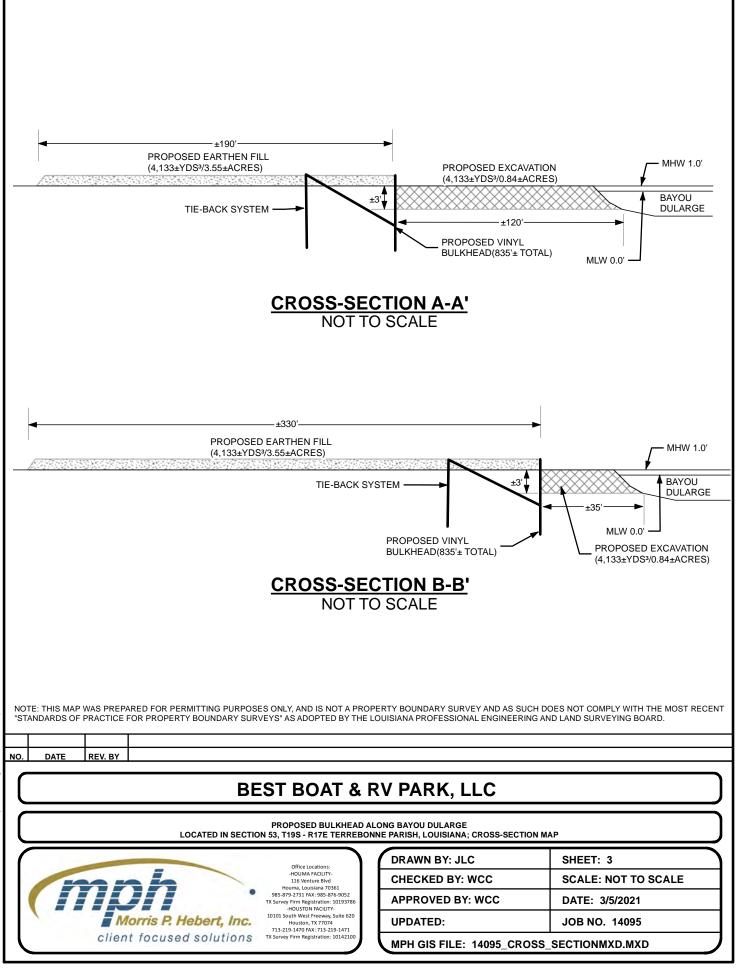
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TERREBONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA



NO





NOTES:

1. APPROXIMATELY 4,133 TOTAL CUBIC YARDS OF NATIVE EARTHEN FILL MATERIAL WILL BE UTILIZED TO FILL THE 3.55 ACRE PROPERTY.

2. ALL STRUCTURES, FACILITIES, WELL, AND PIPELINES/FLOWLINES OCCURRING IN OPEN WATER AREAS OR IN OILFIELD CANALS OR SLIPS SHALL BE REMOVED WITHIN 120 DAYS OF ABANDONMENT OF THE FACILITIES FOR THE HEREIN PERMITTED USE, UNLESS PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL TO LEAVE SUCH STRUCTURES IN PLACE IS RECEIVED FROM THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT DIVISION. 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.

3. AS-BUILT DRAWINGS SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITH 30 DAYS OF COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, COASTAL MANAGEMENT DIVISION, P.O. BOX 44487, BATON ROUGE, LA. 70804-4487.

4. STRUCTURES WILL BE MARKED/LIGHTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. COAST GUARD REGULATIONS.

5. 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.

6. NO WHEELWASHING IS REQUIRED WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA.

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	BEST BOAT & RV PARK, LLC						
	PROPOSED BULKHEAD ALONG BAYOU DULARGE LOCATED IN SECTION 53, T19S - R17E TERREBONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA; NOTES						
				Office Locations:	DRAWN BY: JLC	SHEET: 4	
	-HOUMA FAUITY- 116 Venture Blvd Houma, Louisiana 70361			116 Venture Blvd Houma, Louisiana 70361	CHECKED BY: WCC	SCALE: NOT TO SCALE	
			///	985-879-2731 FAX: 985-876-9052 TX Survey Firm Registration: 10193786 -HOUSTON FACILITY-	APPROVED BY: WCC	DATE: 3/5/2021	
			orris P. Hebert, Inc.	10101 South West Freeway, Suite 620 Houston, TX 77074 713-219-1470 FAX: 713-219-1471	UPDATED:	JOB NO. 14095	
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