

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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WQC Application Number
WQC # 200109-02

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: [] 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 renewed Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with the statutory authority contained in LRS 30:2074 A(3) and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 95-217; 33 U.S.C. 1341).

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF BUNKIE IN AVOYELLES PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Avoyelles Parish Police Jury, c/o Pan American Engineers, LLC., Attn: Thomas David, 1717 Jackson Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301.

LOCATION OF WORK: Located in Section 46, T1S-R3E, between Highway 71, Johnson Road and the Union Pacific Railroad line, in Bunkie, Louisiana, in Avoyelles Parish, as shown on the enclosed drawings.

Latitude: 30.963333° Longitude: -92.196111° Hydrologic Unit Code 08080102 (Vermilion-Teche River Basin)

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested a permit to excavate approximately 1,893 linear feet of proposed drainage ditch, to improve area drainage flow and capacity. The work is proposed in an existing 1,450-foot jurisdictional non-wetland water of the US and in an approximately 443 linear foot long additional new reach located in forested wetlands. The applicant will excavate approximately 376 cubic yards of native material to be disposed at an upland facility. A 20-foot wide permanently maintained right of way is proposed. Approximately 0.6 acre of Waters of the US and 0.16 acre of permanent wetland impacts are proposed. The applicant proposes the purchase of compensatory mitigation credits at a Corps approved mitigation bank to fully offset wetland habitat losses, should a DA permit be granted.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit will close **20 days** 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 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**. 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.

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.

No 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.

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

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 Commerce.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnus-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. 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 and certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Louisiana 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.

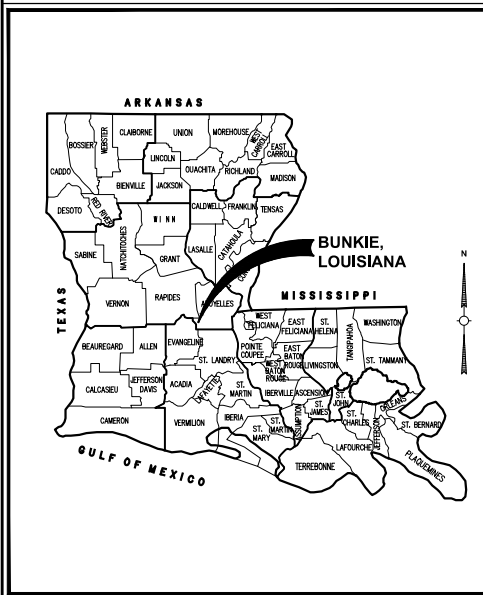
You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

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Regulatory Branch

DEPARTMENT OF ARMY PERMIT DRAWINGS
FOR
GUSTAV/IKE CDBG DISASTER
RECOVERY PROGRAM
PROJECT NO. 5
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
IN THE CITY OF BUNKIE, LA
PROJECT NO. 05-PARA-3410

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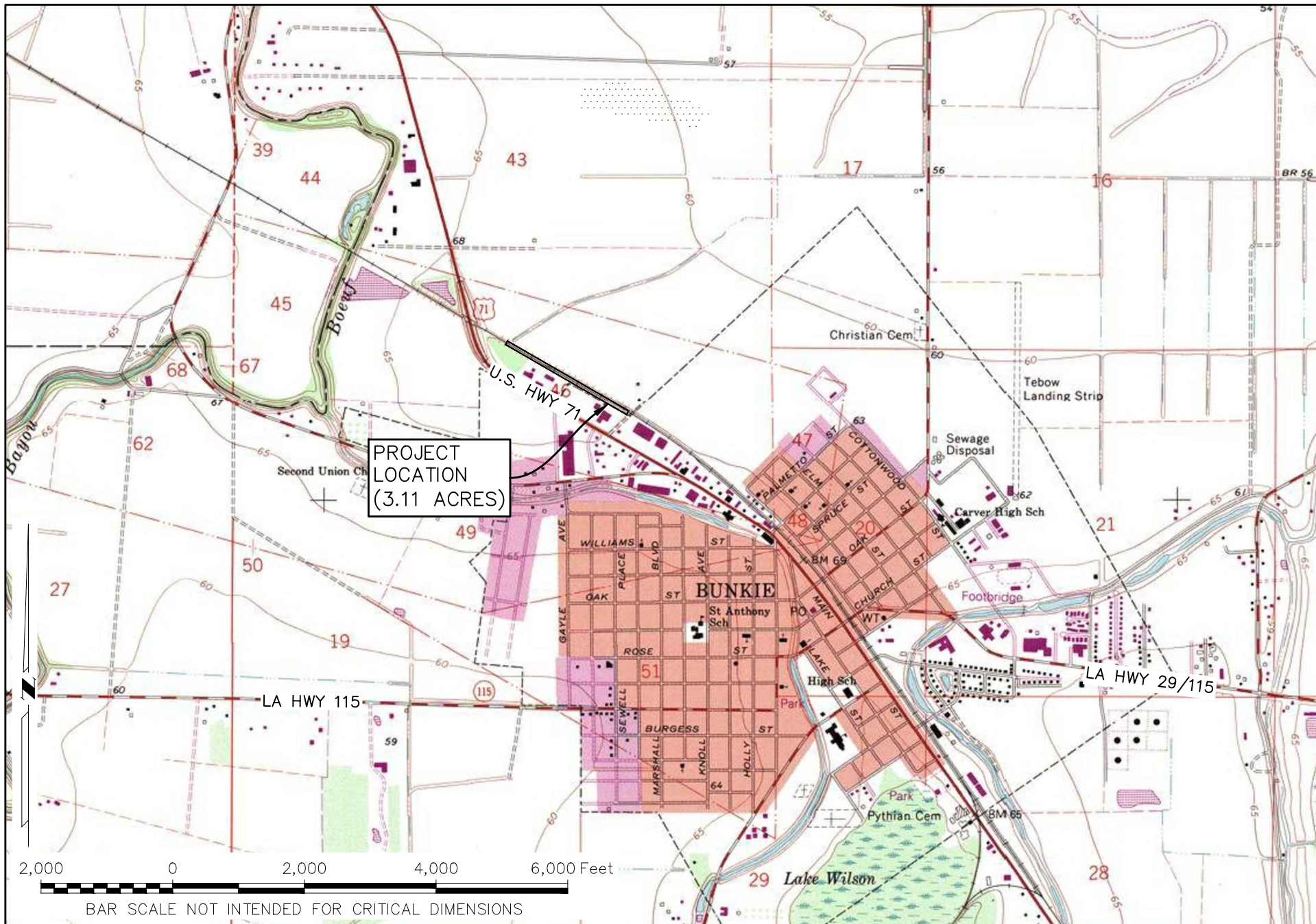
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TITLE SHEET

SECTION 46, T1S-R3E, AVOYELLES PARISH
LATITUDE: 30°57'48"N — LONGITUDE: 92°11'46"W

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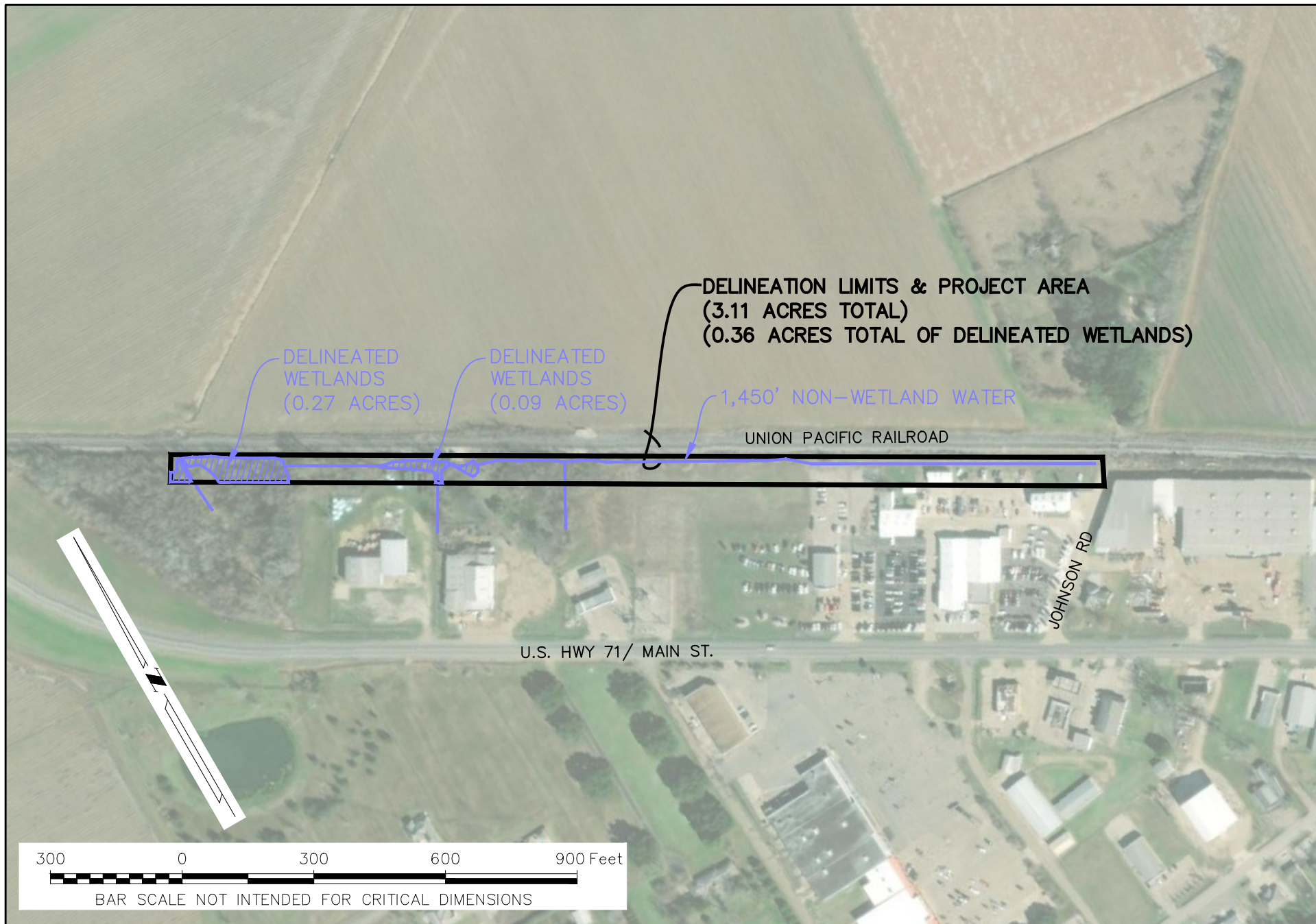


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VICINITY MAP-USGS MAP

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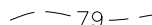
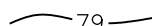







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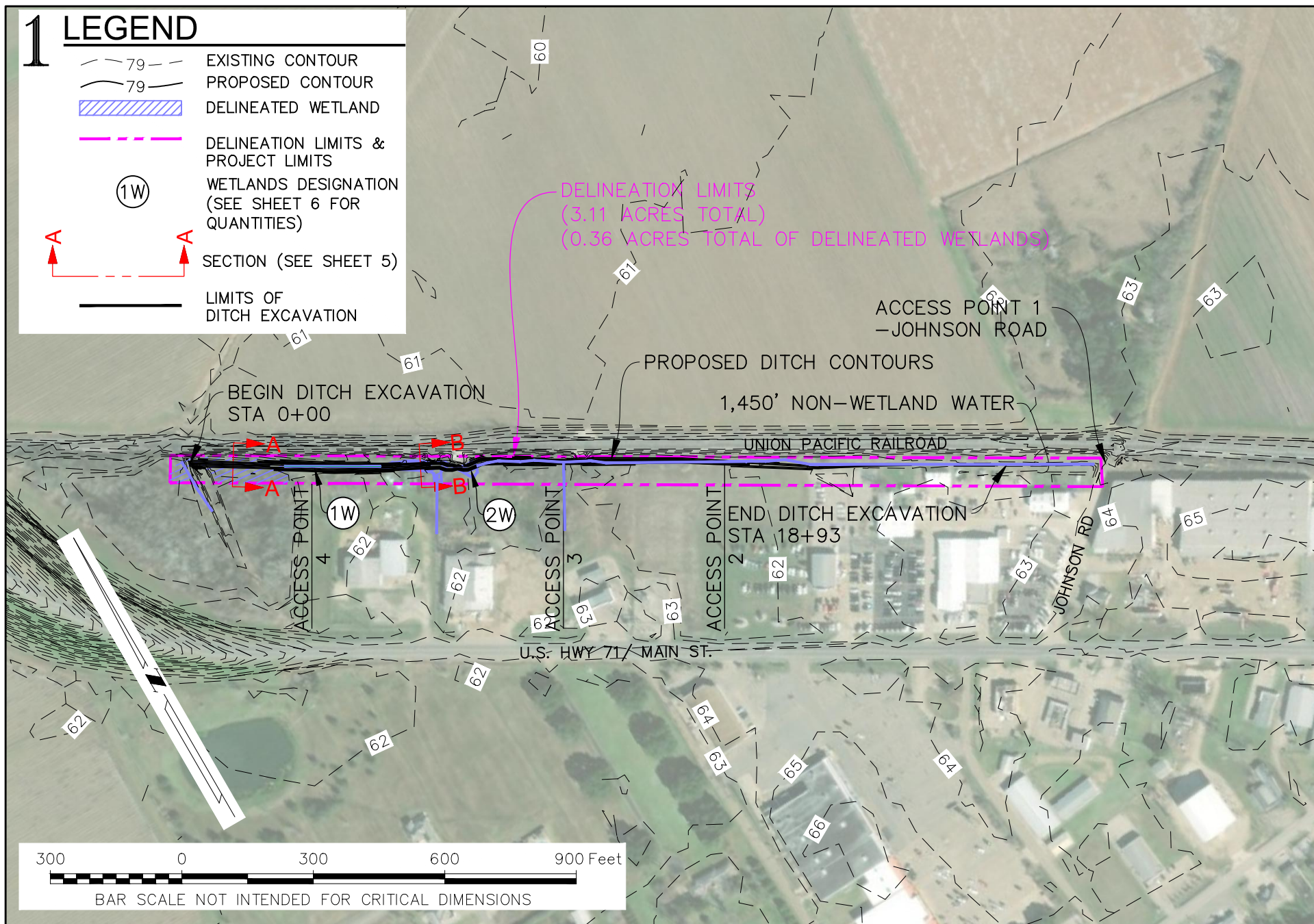
SITE MAP

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1 LEGEND

-  EXISTING CONTOUR
-  PROPOSED CONTOUR
-  DELINEATED WETLAND
-  DELINEATION LIMITS & PROJECT LIMITS
-  WETLANDS DESIGNATION (SEE SHEET 6 FOR QUANTITIES)
-  SECTION (SEE SHEET 5)
-  LIMITS OF DITCH EXCAVATION

DELINEATION LIMITS
(3.11 ACRES TOTAL)
(0.36 ACRES TOTAL OF DELINEATED WETLANDS)



BAR SCALE NOT INTENDED FOR CRITICAL DIMENSIONS



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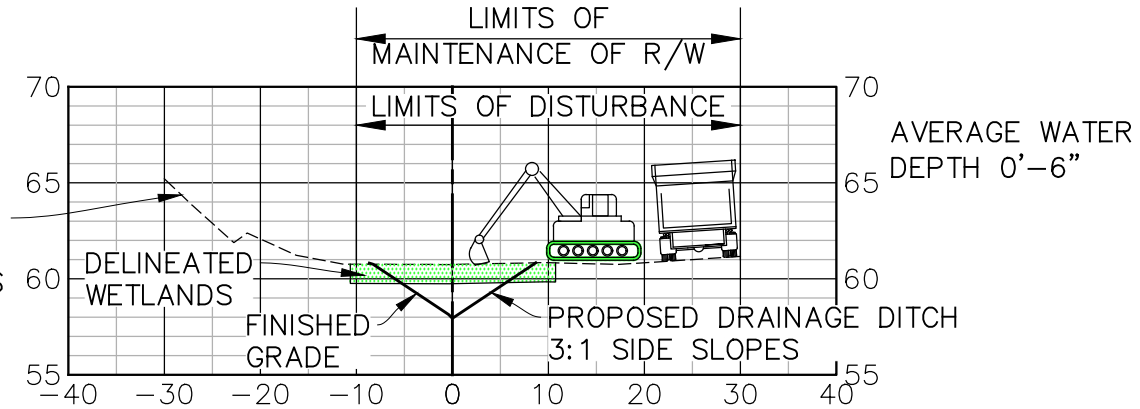
SITE PLAN

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ELEVATION

NATURAL GROUND
AND EXISTING
CHANNEL CONTOURS

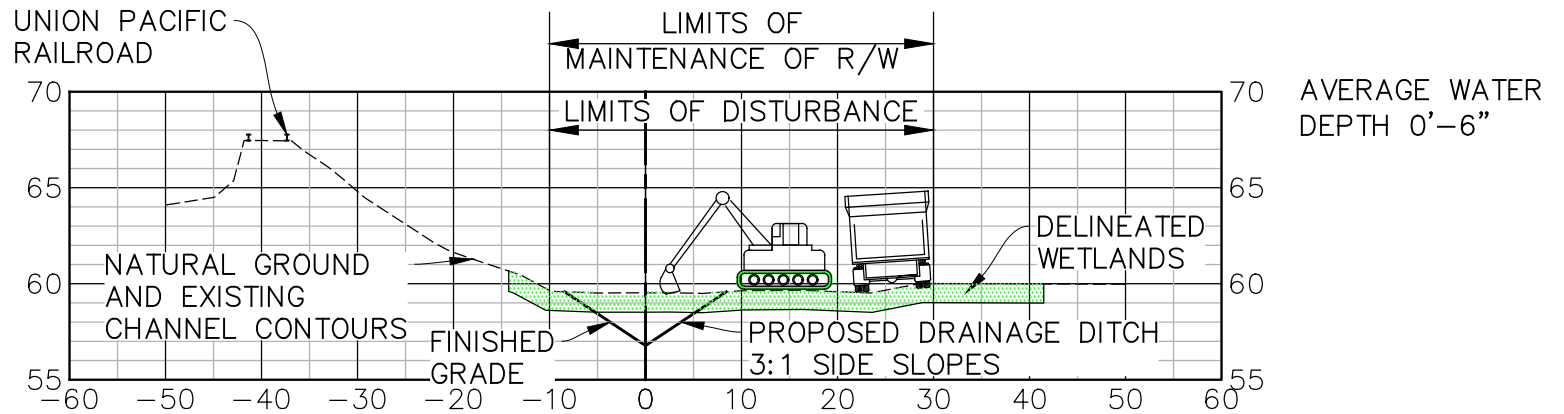


SECTION B-B

SCALE: 1"=20' HORIZ
1"=10' VERT.

ELEVATION

UNION PACIFIC
RAILROAD



SECTION A-A

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1W	
CUT MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	211 CY
FILL MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	0 CY
AFFECTED AREA	0.09 AC

2W	
CUT MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	165 CY
FILL MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	0 CY
AFFECTED AREA	0.07 AC

NON – WETLAND WATERS	
CUT MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	989 CY
FILL MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	0 CY
AFFECTED AREA	0.53 AC

TOTAL QUANTITIES IMPACTING JURISDICTIONAL AREAS	
CUT MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	376 CY
FILL MATERIAL (EARTHWORK)	0 CY
AFFECTED ACRES	0.16 AC

LIMITS OF MAINTENANCE OF R/W AREAS	
JURISDICTIONAL AREAS	0.16 AC
NON-JURISDICTIONAL AREAS	0.53 AC



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