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SUBJECT: MVN 2019-00200 CA

PUBLIC NOTICE

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).

PROPOSED PIPELINE DECOMMISSIONING BELLE PASS SAFETY FAIRWAY, GULF OF MEXICO

NAME OF APPLICANT: TALOS ENERGY OFFSHORE, LLC, c/o Tim Morton and Associates, Incorporated, Attn: Donna Hollier, 730 East Kaliste Saloom Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508.

LOCATION OF WORK: Within one (1) mile of the Belle Pass Safety Fairway, Gulf of Mexico, Bay Marchand Blocks 3, 4 and 5, approximately 2.85 nautical miles south-southwest of Port Fourchon, Louisiana, off the coast of Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the enclosed drawings.

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested Department of the Army authorization to prepare for the decommissioning and removal of all Talos Energy Offshore (Talos) assets by jetting areas around existing subsea tie-in assemblies to a depth of three to five feet to allow diver access to connect equipment and flush the lines. Upon completion of the work at each tie-in point, all remaining piping belonging to other operators will be covered with sand bags. All subsea tie-in equipment belonging to Talos will be removed. Approximately 315 cubic yards of waterbottom material will be excavated and backfilled. In addition, approximately 1.5 cubic yards of sand bag material will be placed on existing pipelines. The proposed work is located within one mile of the Belle Pass Safety Fairway. No special aquatic sites will be affected by this project and no mitigation is anticipated.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit will close 15 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 as to whether a permit will be issued will be based on an evaluation of the impact of the proposed work on navigation and national security.

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, pre-historical, historical sites, or data. Issuance of this public notice solicits input from the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

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.

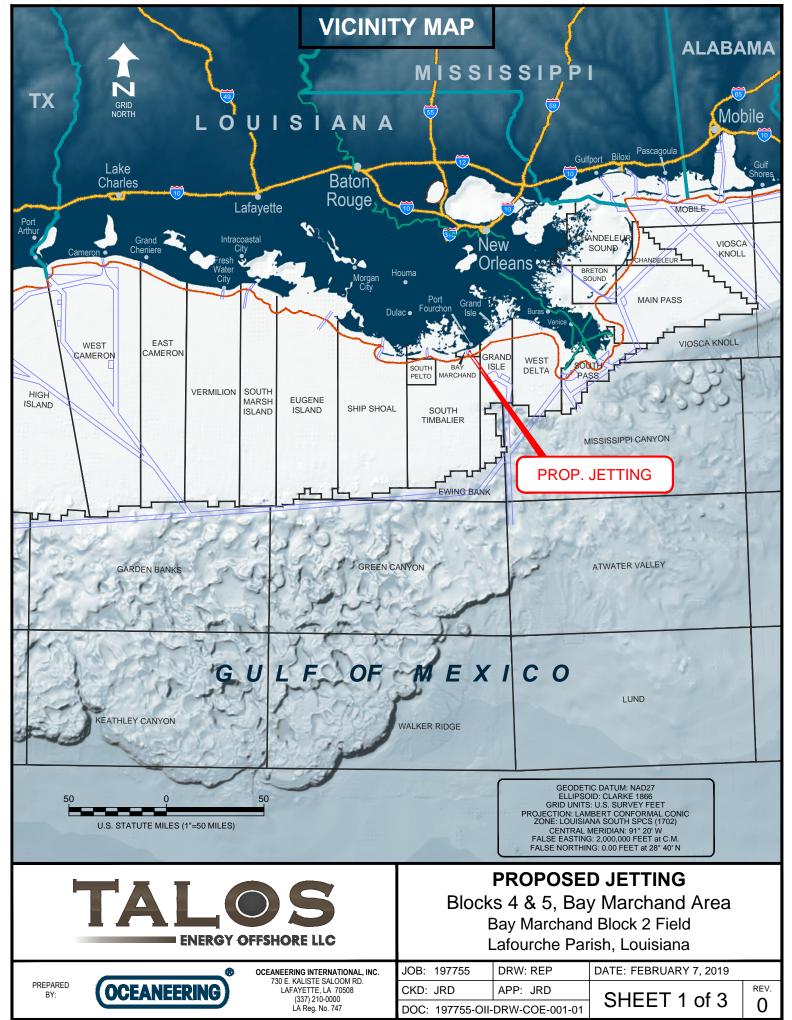
This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal may result in the destruction or alteration of N/A acres of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. Our 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.

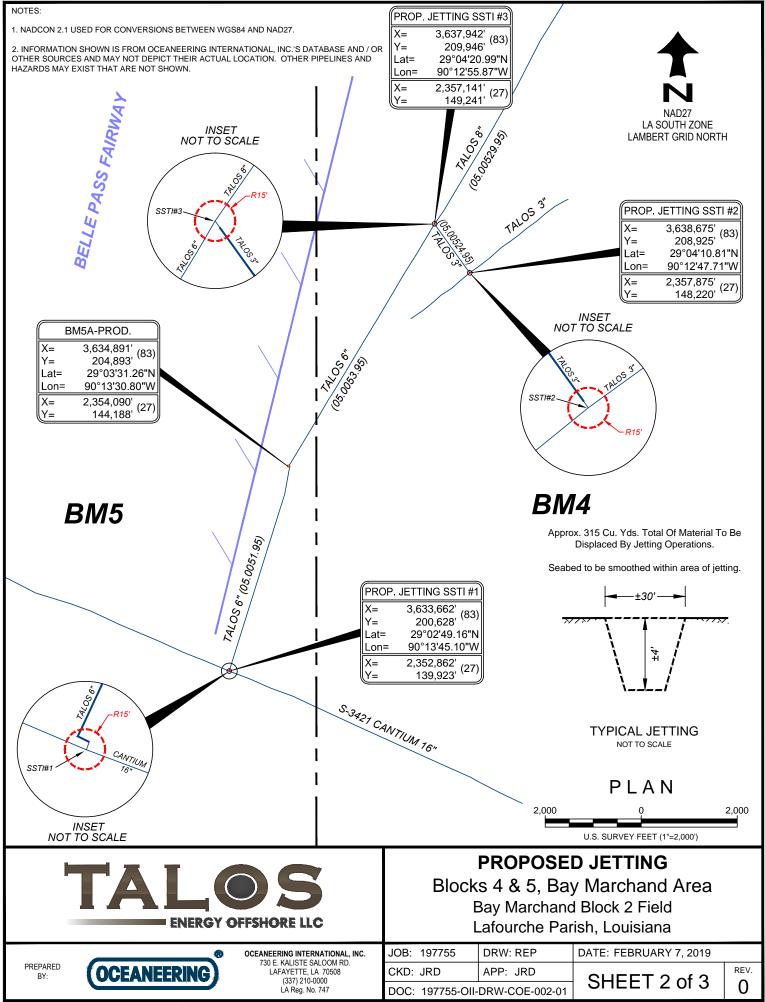
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

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.

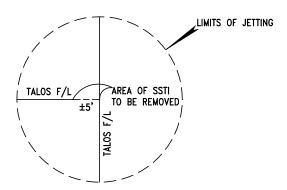
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Enclosure

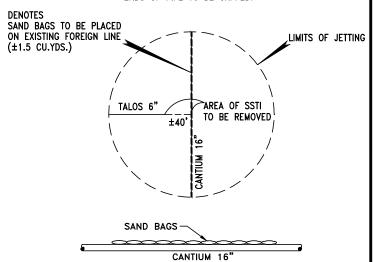


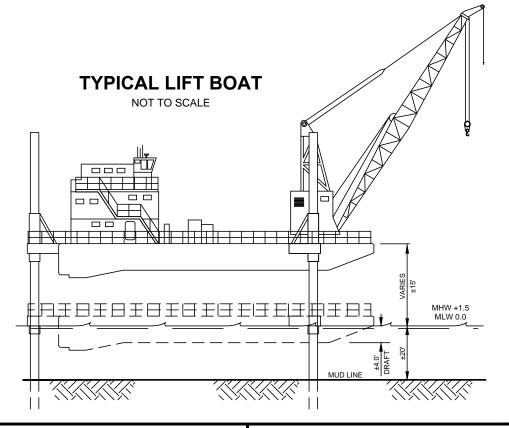


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PROPOSED JETTING

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