

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

June 29, 2020

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

State of Louisiana
Department of Environmental Quality
Attn: Water Quality Certifications
Post Office Box 4313
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4313

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Application #: MVN-2020-00301-WKK

Project Manager:
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WQC Application Number:
WQC-200316-02

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: **[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).

The application has also been mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in Louisiana Revised Statute 30:2074 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 95-17).

WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE IN IBERIA PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Iberia Parish Government, c/o Royal Engineers and Consultants, 14635 S. Harrells Ferry, Suite 4B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70816.

LOCATION OF WORK: Located in Iberia Parish, Peebles Coulee, Section 27, Township 13S and Range 6E, located off Louisiana Highway 83 and Weeks Island Road, in New Iberia, Louisiana, (Latitude North: 29.9093°N, Longitude West: -91.828261°W), as shown within the attached drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 08080103, Vermilion-Teche Basin)

CHARACTER OF WORK: Construct a water control structure with attached headwall and flap gates within a 214-foot wide by 300-foot long area, install four 102-foot long 120-inch diameter box culverts, a 15-foot wide by 145-foot long area for levee bolstering on west side of coulee, a 15-foot wide by 150-foot long area for levee bolstering on east side of coulee, excavate approximately 2,705 cubic yards of earthen fill material and place within two 20-foot wide by 100-foot long temporary work spaces, and place approximately 117 cubic yards of rip rap and 300 cubic yards of concrete onsite. The purpose of the water control structure is to provide flood protection by controlling the upstream flow during rain and tidal events. Approximately 0.032 of an acre of riparian wetlands via excavation operations, 0.09 of an acre of existing farmlands via levee bolstering, and 0.1 of an acre of other waters would be permanently impacted and 0.04 of an acre of existing farmlands for temporary work spaces would be temporarily impacted via project implementation. If a Department of the Army permit is warranted, the applicant has proposed to mitigate any unavoidable wetlands impacts at an approved and acceptable mitigation bank within the New Orleans District.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **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 submitted 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 forwarded 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. 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 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 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. Copies of this public notice are being sent to the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer 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 Consultation (IPaC) 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 is located in waters known to be utilized by the West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*) and determined that the activity is not likely to adversely affect this species. If this permit modification/time extension is issued, the permittee will be required to follow the IPaC conditions.

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 0.1 of an acre 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 Department of Environmental Quality, before a Department of the Army permit is issued.

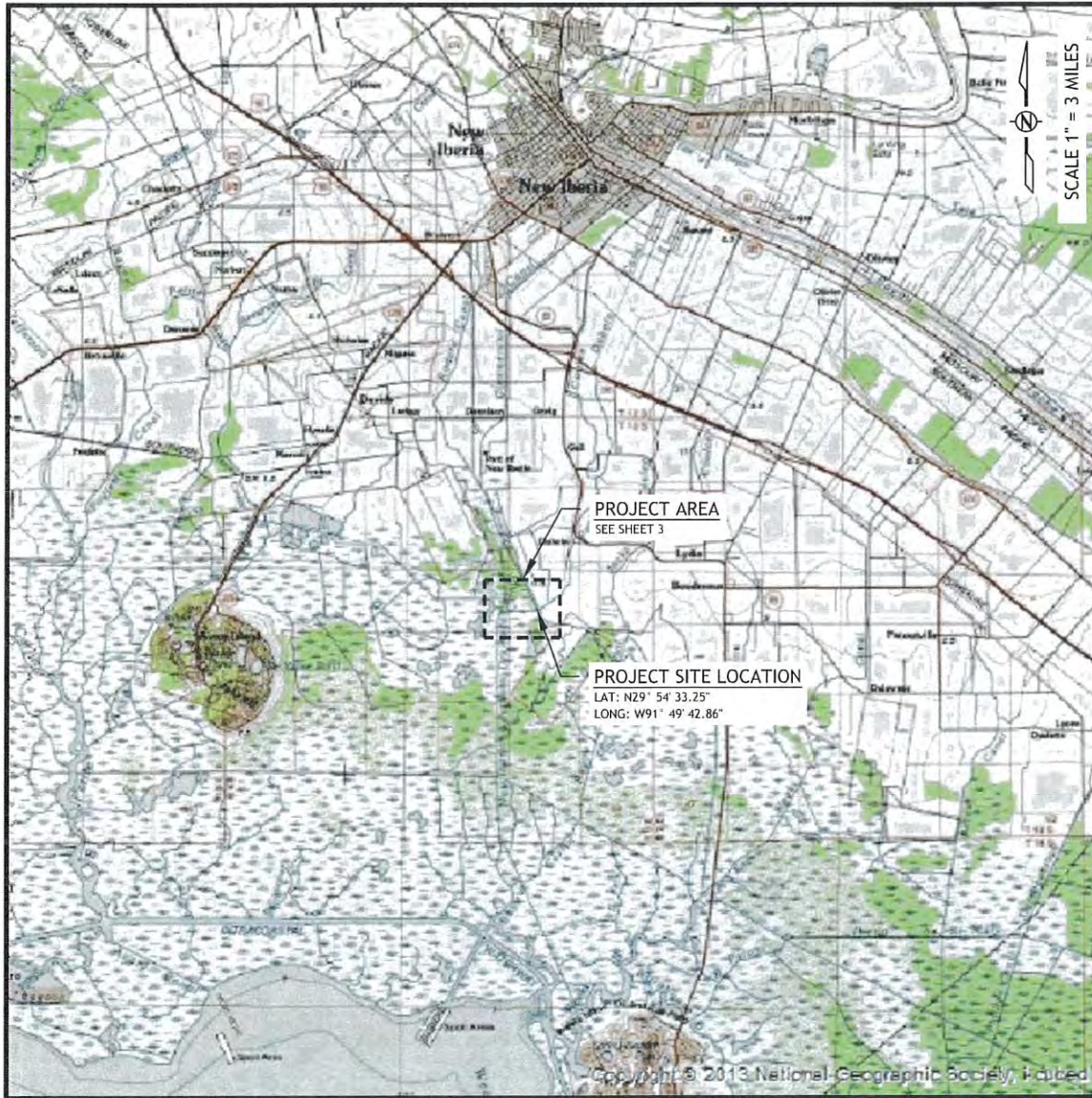
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

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 received 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

Enclosure



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VICINITY MAP

PROJECT NAME: PEBBLES COULEE FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURE				
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DR:	REC	JOB No.:	2019-04-01	SHEET NO. REV.
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GENERAL NOTES

1. THE PEBBLES COULEE WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT IS SPONSORED BY IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT. THE PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT IS TO DECREASE UPSTREAM FLOW OF TIDAL WATERS IN PEBBLES COULEE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE INCREASED STORMWATER RUNOFF STORAGE. AUTOMATIC FLAP GATES WILL SHUT WHEN TAILWATER (DOWNSTREAM) WATER LEVELS INCREASE; THE GATES WILL OPEN ONCE HEADWATER (UPSTREAM) WATER LEVELS INCREASE TO LEVELS GREATER THAN DOWNSTREAM IN ORDER TO FACILITATE GRAVITY DRAINAGE. THE STRUCTURE WILL BE SUPPORTED BY A TIMBER PILE FOUNDATION.
2. APPROXIMATELY 2,705 CUBIC YARDS OF NATIVE MATERIAL WILL BE REMOVED FROM PEBBLES COULEE WITHIN THE STRUCTURE FOOTPRINT. THIS MATERIAL WILL BE STOCKPILED ON-SITE AND USED AS BACKFILL ONCE THE STRUCTURE IS CONSTRUCTED, AS WELL AS TO TIE IN THE STRUCTURE TO THE EXISTING LEVEES DOWNSTREAM OF THE STRUCTURE.
3. APPROXIMATELY 187 TONS (117 CUBIC YARDS) OF RIP RAP WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO THE SITE AND BE PLACED ON THE UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM ENDS OF THE STRUCTURE TO ASSIST IN EROSION CONTROL.
4. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED, THE PERMITTEE OR ITS AGENTS WILL SUBMIT A ONE CALL TO IDENTIFY ALL POTENTIAL PIPELINES, UTILITIES, AND OTHER SUBSURFACE INFRASTRUCTURE A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) DAYS PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF ANY ACTIVITY.
5. ALL CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT SHALL REMAIN WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE PROJECT AREA AS DEFINED IN THE PLANS. CONSTRUCTION ACCESS WILL OCCUR FROM LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 83/WEEKS ISLAND ROAD VIA FIELD ROAD(S) IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO PEBBLES COULEE.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

1. GATES AND RACKS WILL BE INSPECTED QUARTERLY AND WILL BE CLEARED OF TRASH. GATES WILL BE MAINTAINED AS NECESSARY, INCLUDING GREASING HINGES, ETC.



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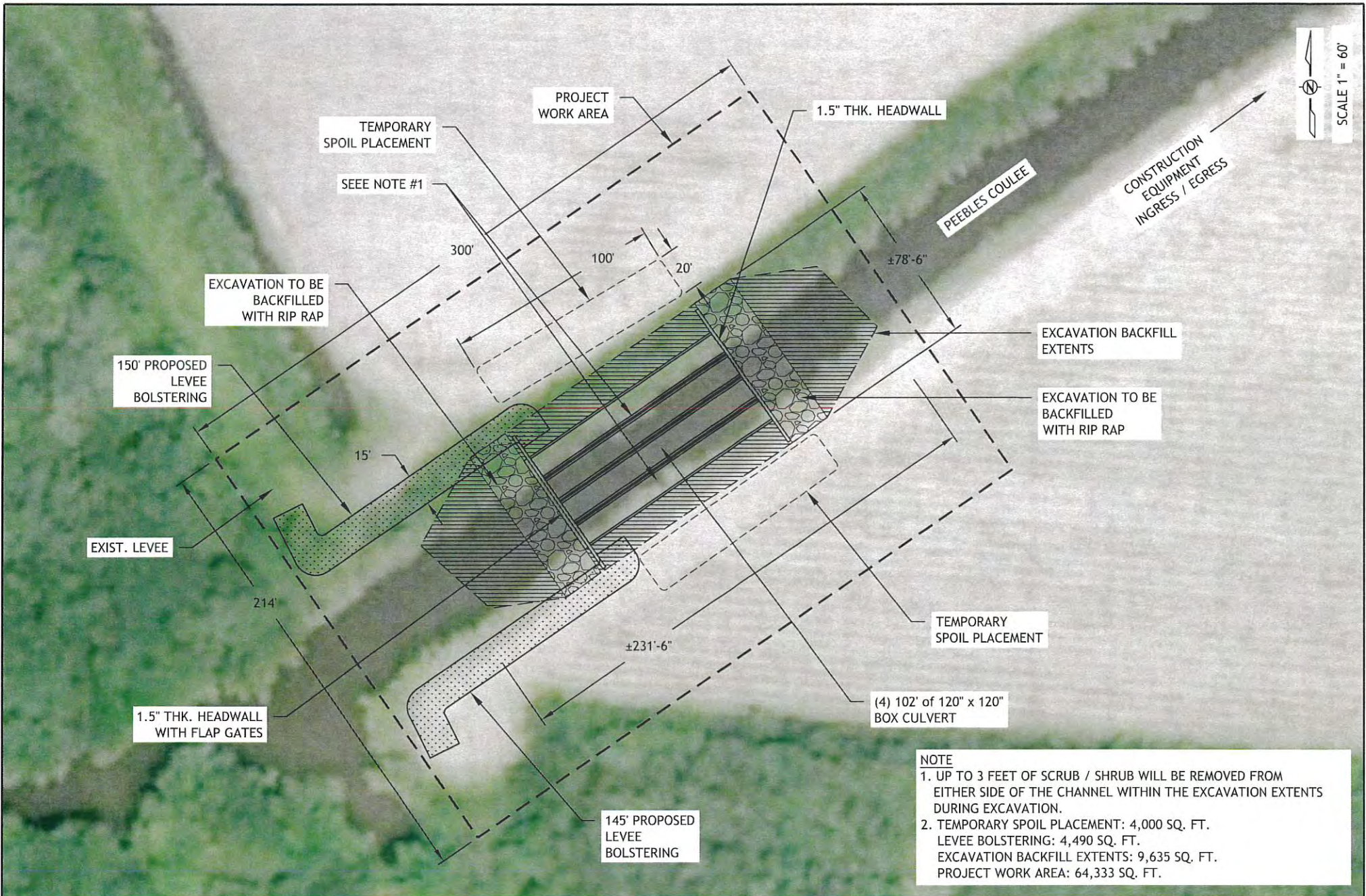


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SCALE 1" = 60'

NOTE
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 2. TEMPORARY SPOIL PLACEMENT: 4,000 SQ. FT.
 LEVEE BOLSTERING: 4,490 SQ. FT.
 EXCAVATION BACKFILL EXTENTS: 9,635 SQ. FT.
 PROJECT WORK AREA: 64,333 SQ. FT.

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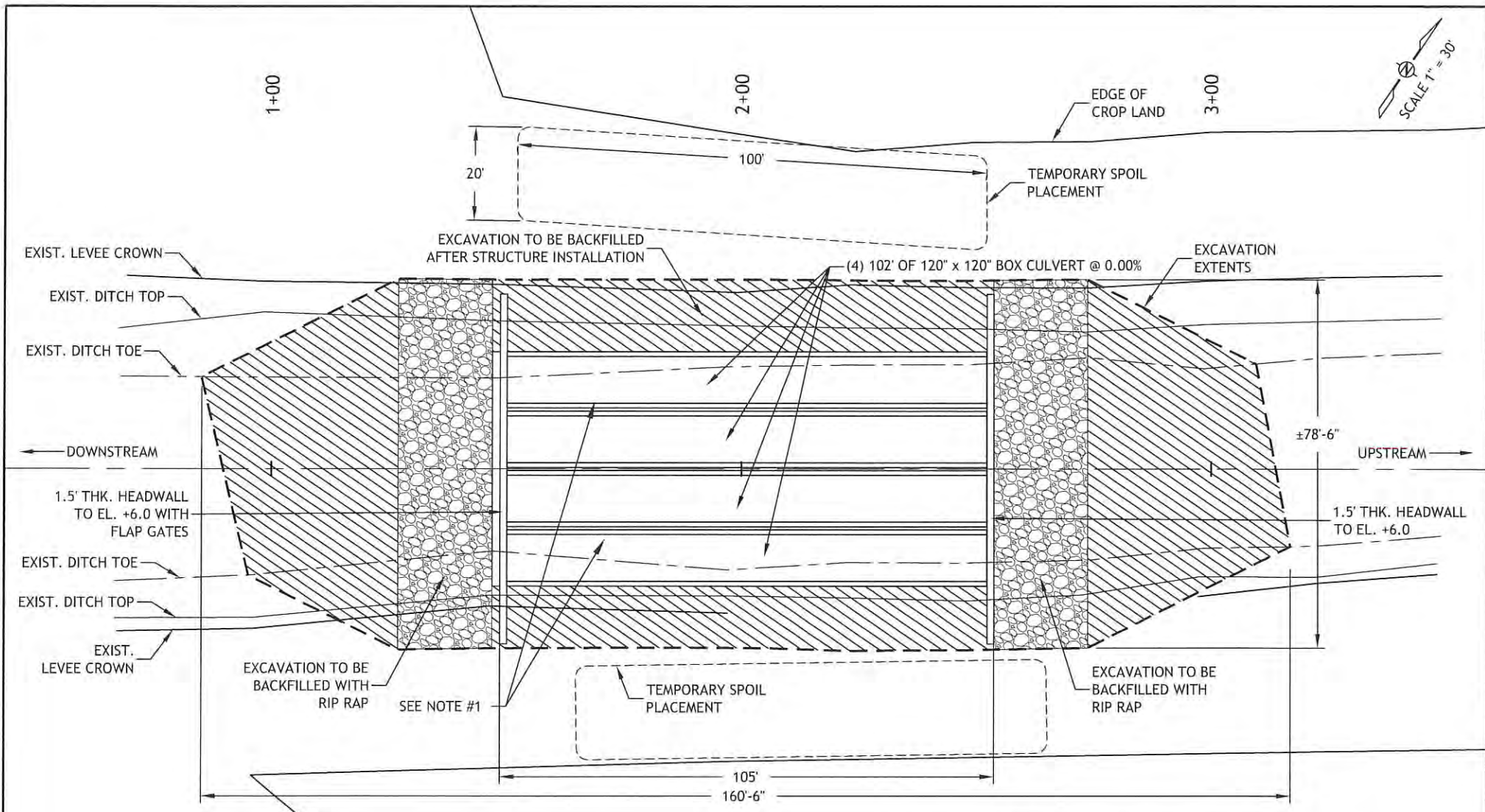


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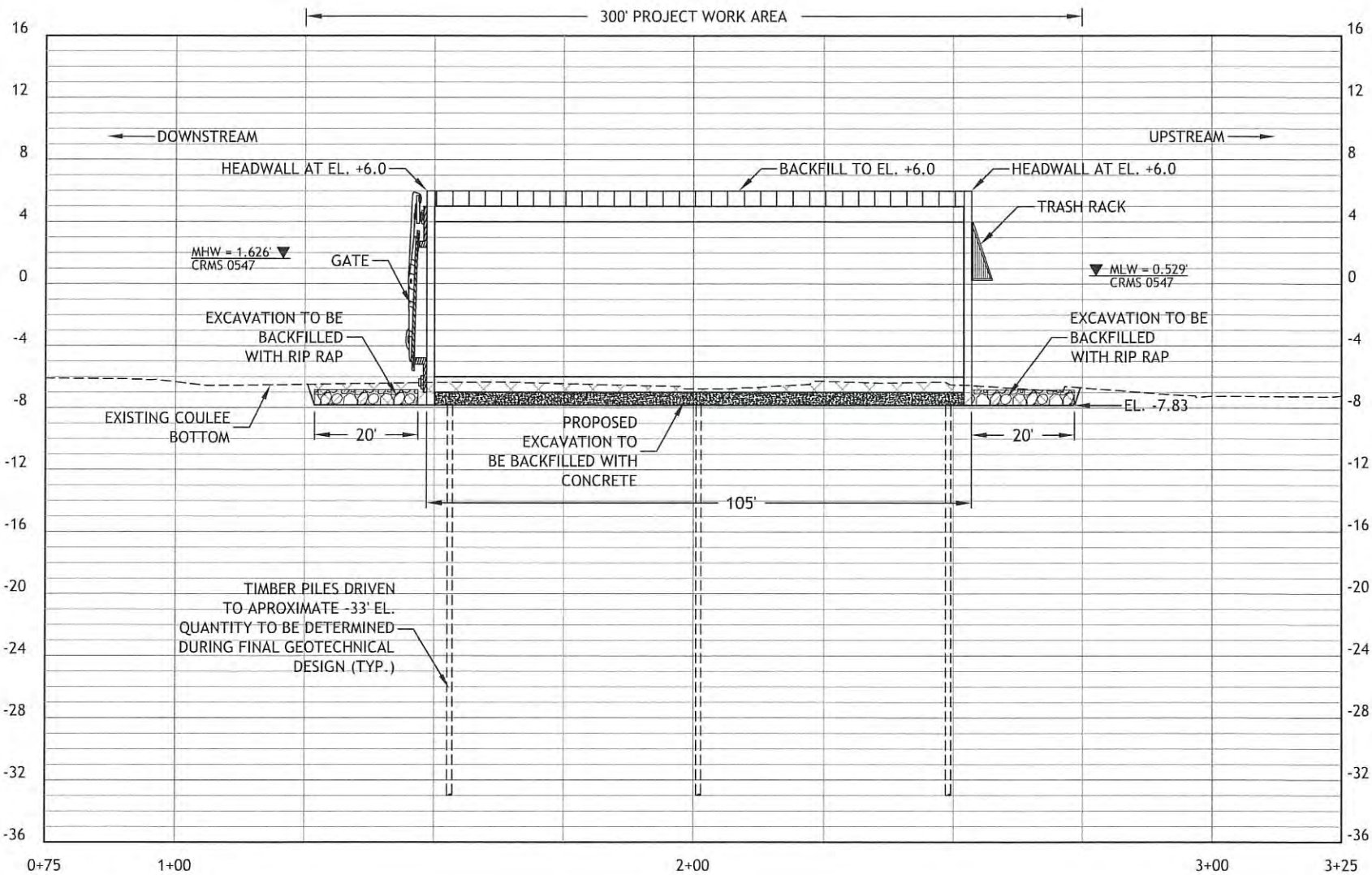
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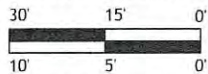


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HORIZONTAL GRAPHIC SCALE



VERTICAL GRAPHIC SCALE



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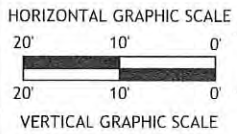
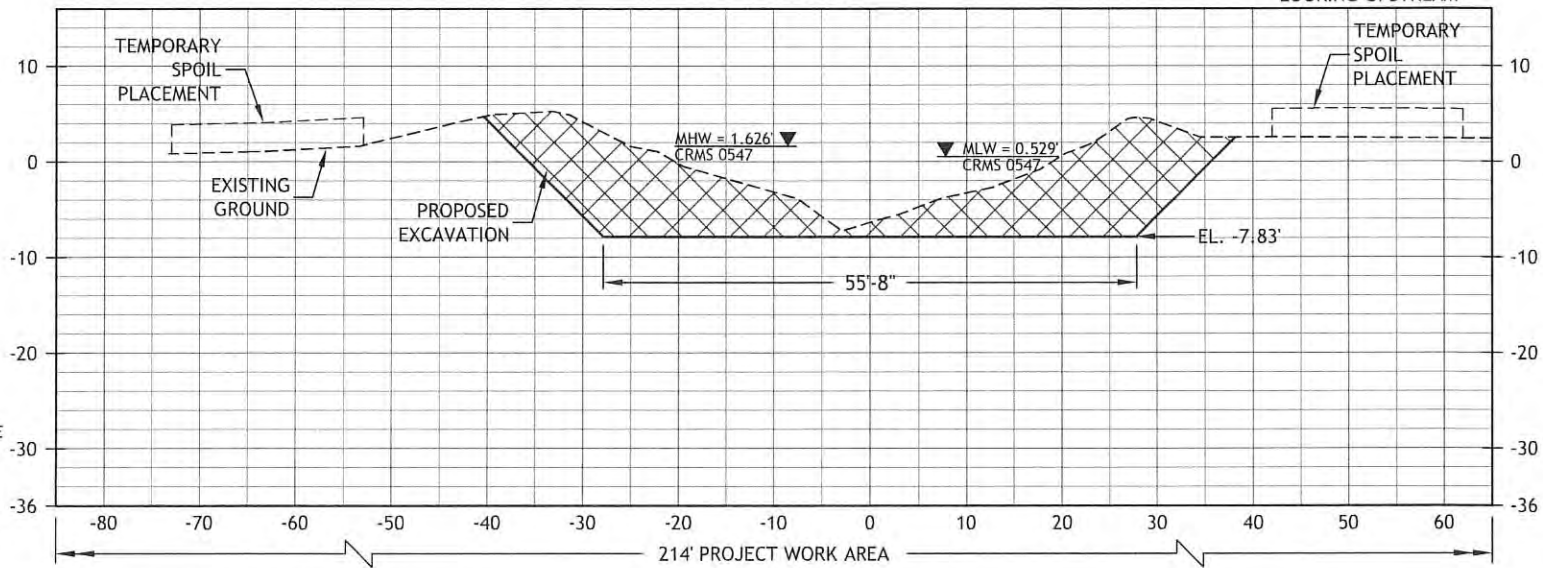
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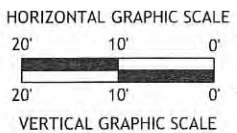
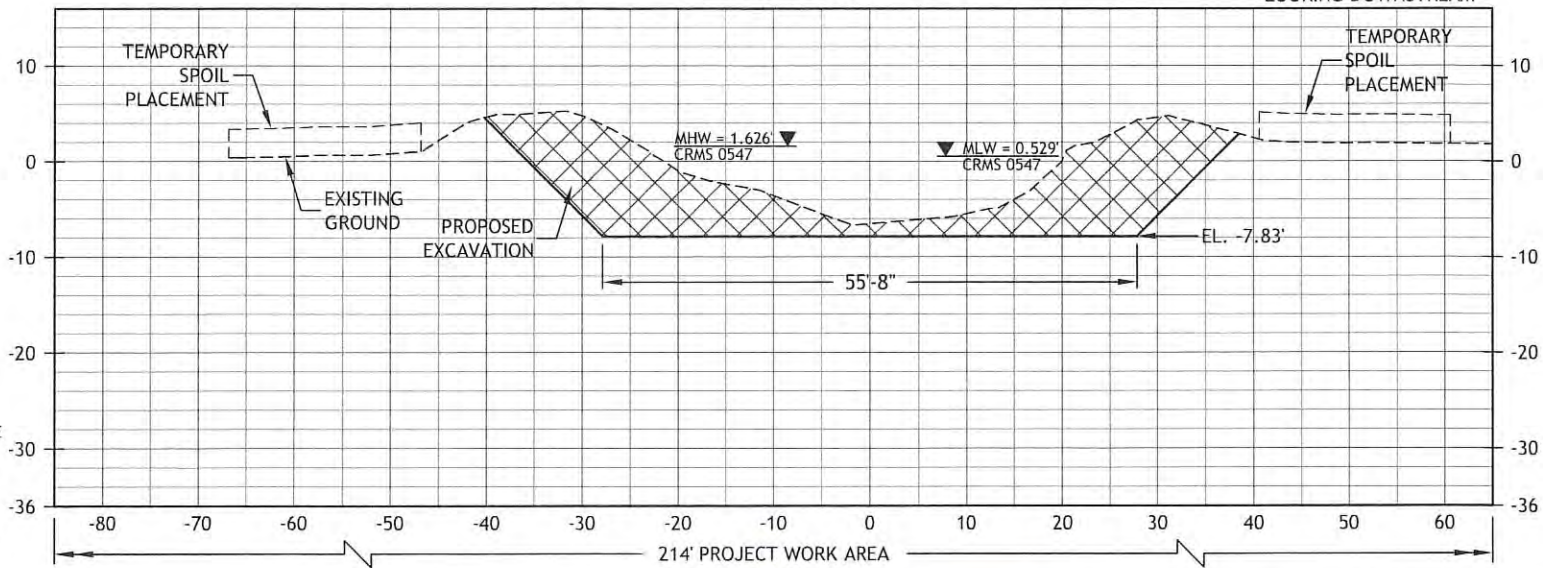
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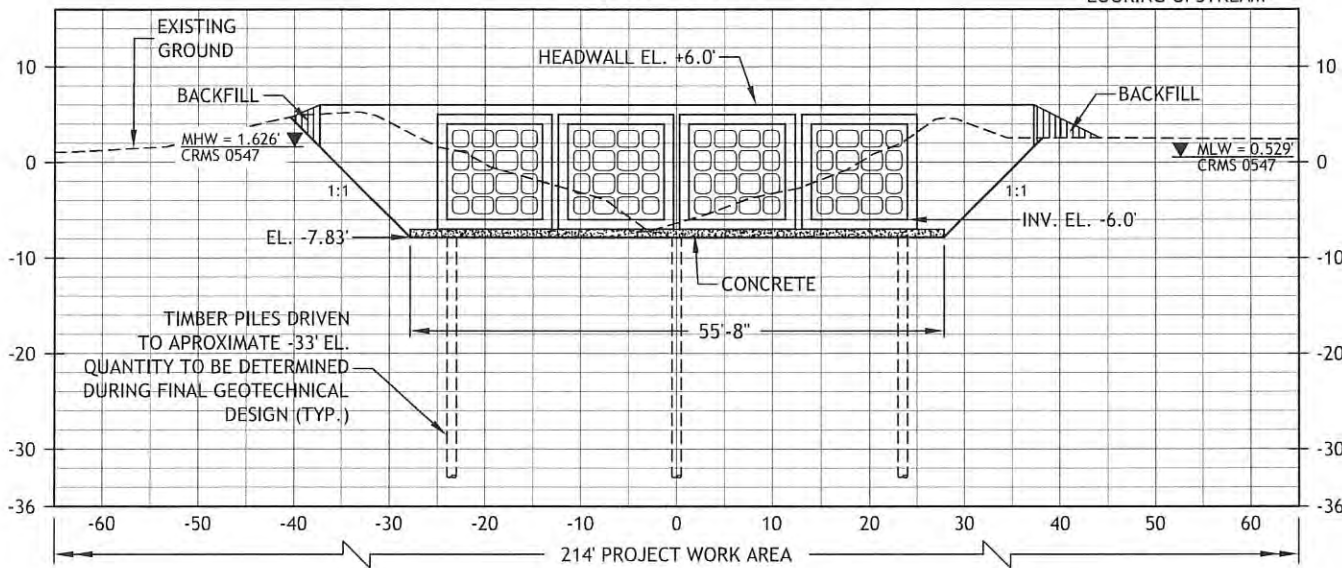


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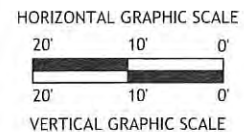
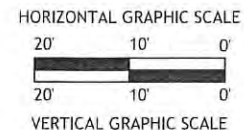
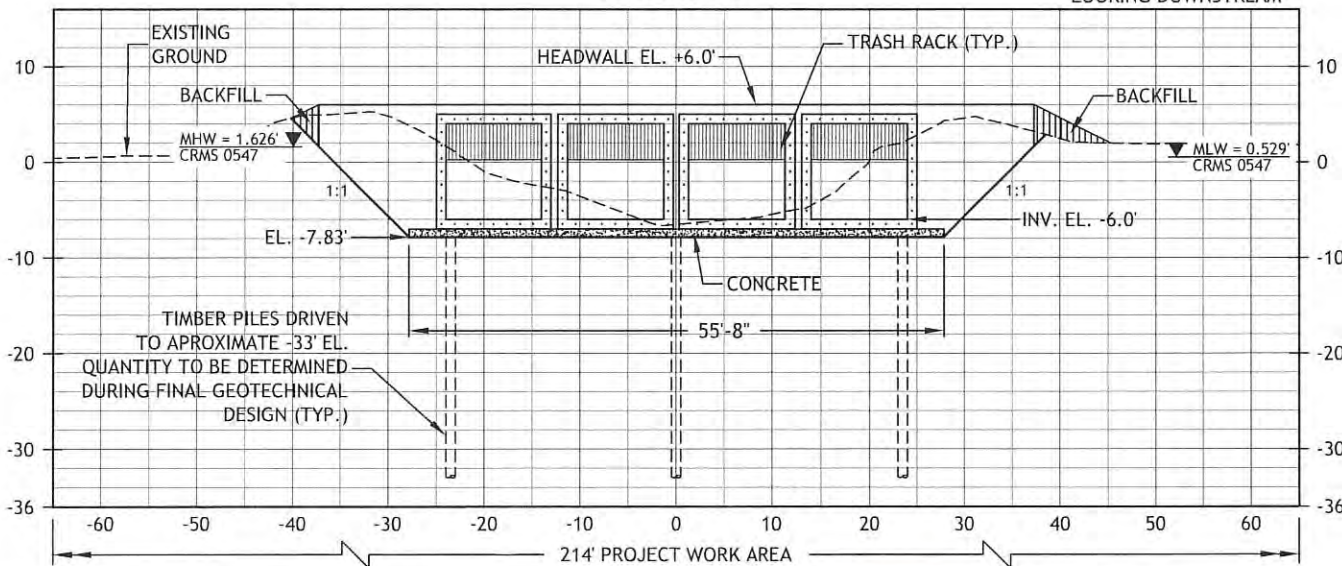
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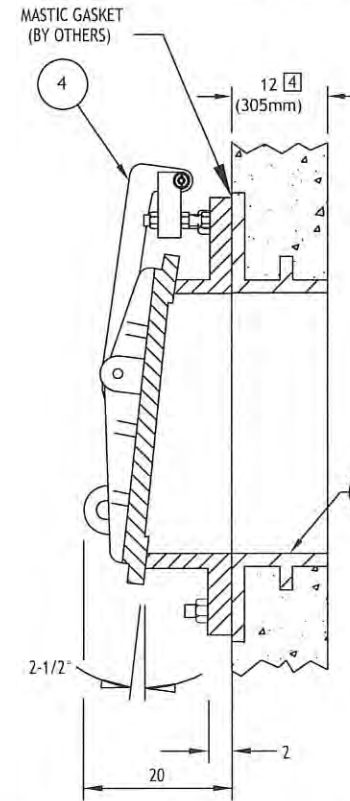
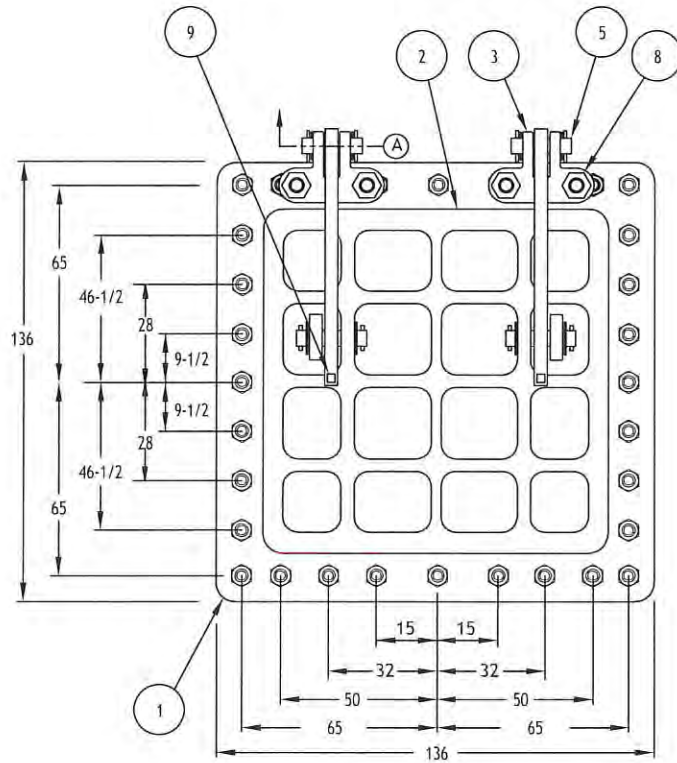
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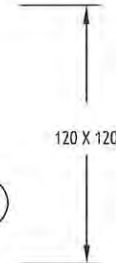
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- 1. AS CAST 2. MILL
- 3. MACHINED
- 4. GALVANIZE ASTM A-123
- 5. GALVANIZE ASTM A-153
- 6E BLAST CLEAN PER SSPC-SP10
- (2) CTS (6 MILS/CT) POLYAMIDE EPOXY PAINT
- & (1) CT (4 MILS/CT) POLYURETHANE ENAMEL
- (TDTF-16 MILS MIN.) COLOR: GRAY



NOTES:

- 1. ALL DIMENSIONS IN INCHES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- 2. DESIGNED FOR 40 FT SEATING HEAD.
- 4 CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY OR SUPPLY.
- 5 CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE HILTI HIT-RE 500 V3 (WET OR DRY CONDITIONS) OR HILTI HY-200 (DRY CONDITIONS ONLY); OR EQUAL, EPOXY FOR ANCHORS.
- 6. DIMENSIONS ARE SHOWN IN INCHES WITH MILLIMETERS IN PARENTHESIS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED OR SHOWN.



DESCRIPTION	PART #/ SIZE	MATERIAL	FIN	QTY	TOT
1. FRAME SEAT (MACHINE)	W-1763	CAST IRON ASTM A-126 CL. B	6E	1	1
2. COVER SEAT (MACHINE)	W-1762	CAST IRON ASTM A-126 CL. B	6E	1	1
3. PIVOT LUG	W-1270 (REF. 101398)	DUCTILE IRON ASTM A-536 GR. 65-45-12	2,3,6E	2	2
4. HINGE LINK	2 PLATE (REF. 101720)	STN STL PLATE:ASTM A-240 TY.316/316L D/C	2,3	2	2
5. HINGE PIN	2 DIA X 9-1/2 LG (REF. 101673-11)	STN STL SHAPES:ASTM A-276 TY.316/316L D/C	2	4	4
6. BUSHING	2 1.D. X 2.375 O.D. X 2 LG (REF. 101673-11)	COMMERCIAL BRONZE	2	4	4
7. SPRING PIN	3/8 DIA X 3 LG	STN STL HDW:ASTM F-593C/D & 594 GRP 1 (TY 304)	2	8	8
8. HINGE STUD & NUTS	2-1/2 NC X 12 LG	STN STL HDW:ASTM F-593C/D & 594 GRP 1 (TY 304)	2,3	4	4
10. WASHER	2 DIA	COMMERCIAL BRONZE	2	8	8
11. GREASE ZERK	1/4-28NF STGHT ZERK	COMMERCIAL BRONZE	2	4	4
23. THIMBLE (PAINT NON MATING SURFACES)	TYPE F-SS X 12 LG (REF. RB-16-0359)	CAST IRON ASTM A-126 CL. B	2,3,6E	1	1
37. ALL THREADED STUD	7/8 NC X 5 LG	STN STL SHAPES:ASTM A-276 TY.304/304L D/C	2,3	24	24
81. HEX HEAD BOLT	7/8 NC	STN STL HDW:ASTM F-593C/D & 594 GRP 1 (TY 304)	2	24	24
82. WASHER	7/8 DIA.	STN. STL. 304	2	24	24



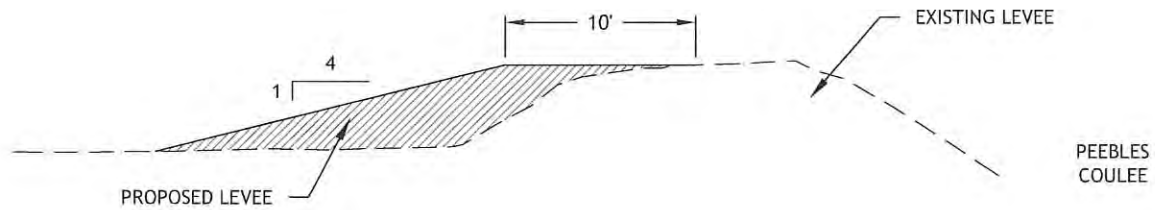
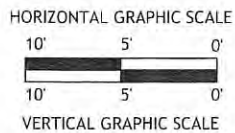
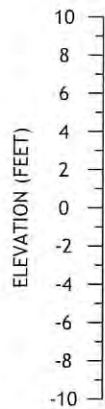
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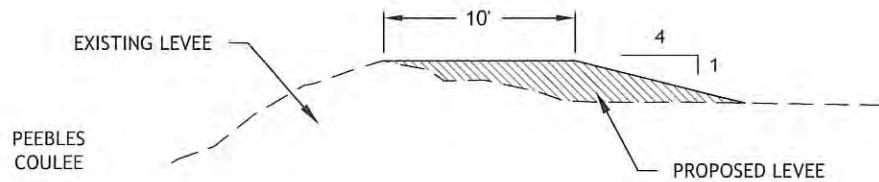
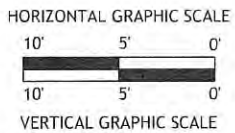
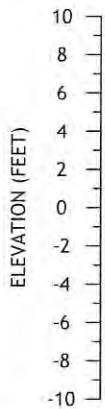


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TYPICAL SECTION EXISTING WESTSIDE LEVEL



TYPICAL SECTION EXISTING EASTSIDE LEVEL



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