

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT 7400 LEAKE AVE NEW ORLEANS, LA 70118-3651

January 17, 2023

Regulatory Division Central Evaluation Branch

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Application #: MVN-2021-01140-CQ

PUBLIC NOTICE

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), and/or [] Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. Section 408).

UNIVERSITY LAKES AQUATIC RESTORATION AND FLOOD RISK REDUCTION PROJECT NEAR BATON ROUGE IN EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: University Lakes, LLC, c/o: CSRS, LLC., attn.: Ms. Kelly Faerber, 8555 United Plaza Blvd., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

LOCATION OF WORK: Located on an approximate 300-acre site, in a six-lake system (University Lakes), located along and northwest of Stanford Avenue, near Baton Rouge, in East Baton Rouge Louisiana, (lat. 30.4206, long. -91.1678), as shown within the attached drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 080070202 Pontchartrain Basin).

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested Department of the Army authorization to dredge and place waterbottoms material as fill to implement the University Lakes Aquatic Restoration and Flood Risk Reduction Project. Dredged material is proposed to be utilized beneficially in the creation of shoreline fill, bird sanctuary, or to construct islands. The six-lake system is proposed to be dredged to help improve water quality due to existing sedimentation, algae blooms, and low dissolved oxygen levels. The project has been designed to detain a 100-year storm event to help provide stormwater retention improvements for the area. Approximately 1,045,500 cubic yards of dredged waterbottoms from hydraulically dredged from project activity and 26,852 cubic yards of clean hauled in fill material would be placed as fill material in jurisdictional areas. The project would fill approximately 63.93 acres of jurisdictional Other Waters of the US waterbottoms and create upland habitat located along the shorelines. The project also proposes to create approximately 32.42 acres of wetland habitat. The project proposes to use approximately 14,453 linear feet of geotextile tube to contain approximately 38,319 cubic yards of the dredged material. Temporary bulkheads and laydown areas are also proposed during the construction stage of this proposed project and are indicated on the attached proposed project drawings. Remnant vegetative debris and cypress stumps are also proposed to be

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removed as a result of project implementation. The proposed project currently has a jurisdictional wetland determination pending with our Jurisdiction and Enforcement Branch. An addendum Public Notice may be required if the jurisdictional determination determines that additional project related impacts to wetlands are present. The project proposes to impact approximately 3.13 acres of potentially jurisdictional wetlands (black willow habitat and fringe herbaceous wetland habitat). Approximately 275 acres of jurisdictional Other Waters of the US would be directly impacted as a result of project implementation from hydraulic dredging of waterbottom material. The project proposes to utilize the dredged material beneficially through creation of wetland and upland habitat adjacent to and within the University Lakes system. The applicant proposes to utilize best management practices for erosion and siltation control during and after the construction phase of the project. Post dredging, the applicant proposes to install boardwalks, retaining walls, pedestrian walkways, and other appurtenances to improve the existing May Street with a proposed bridge to increase connectivity between City Park Lake and University Lake. If authorized, the project will receive approval from all appropriate local drainage authorities. The project is proposed as a beneficial project and no compensatory mitigation has been proposed by the applicant due to the proposed benefits associated with the project.

The comment period on the requested Department of the Army Permit will close 20 davs 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 preferably emailed to the Corps of Engineer's project manager listed above or forwarded to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, ATTENTION: REGULATORY DIVISION, RGC, Kenneth Blanke. Individuals or parties may also request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by mail or preferably 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 Branch Chief will review the request and the requester 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. This public notice is also available for review online at https://go.usa.gov/xennJ

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 presently unaware of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places at or near the proposed work but is pending further review in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, historical sites, or data. As deemed 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 have no effect to 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 may result in the destruction, alteration, and/or disturbance of **O 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.

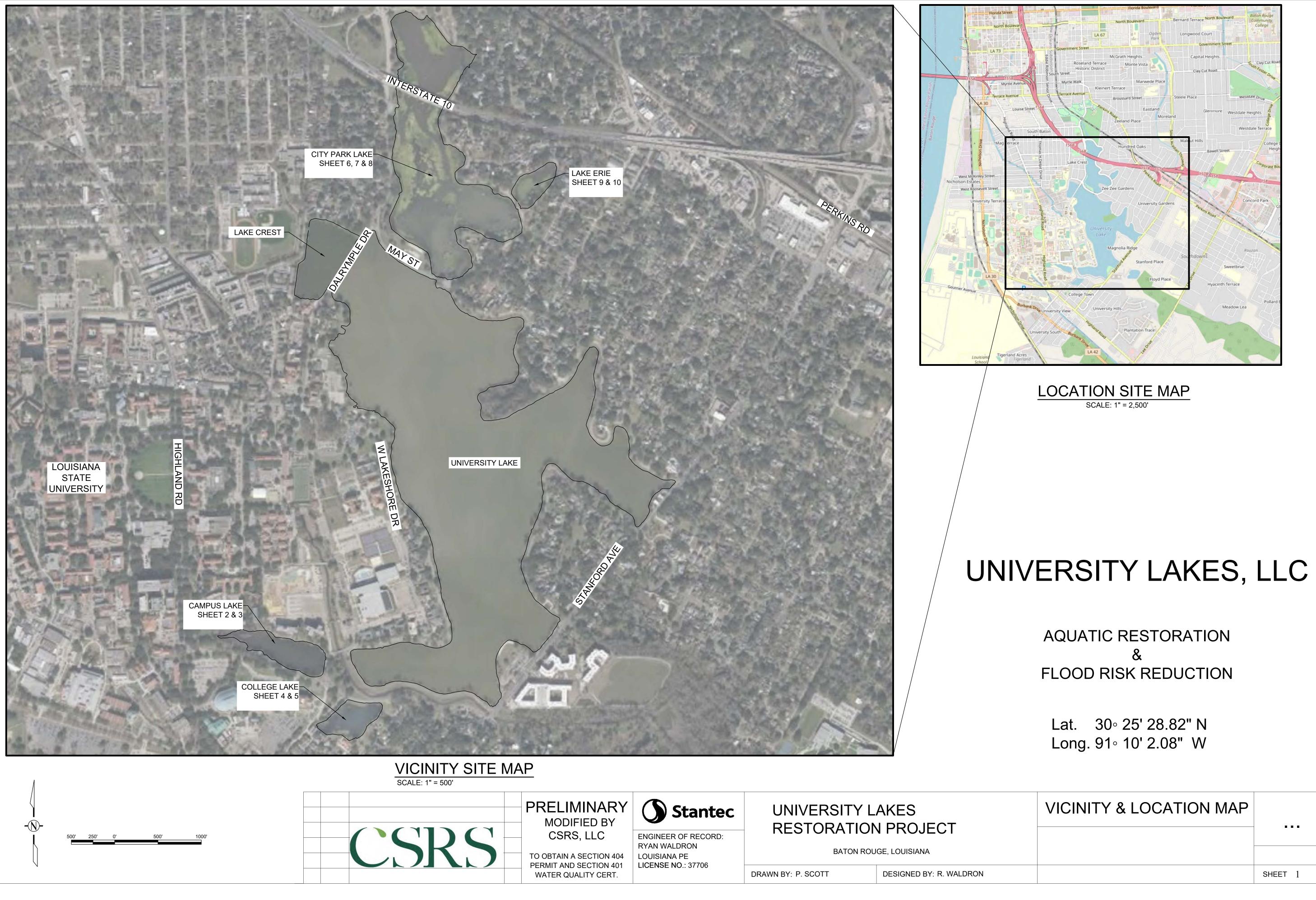
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. *Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not 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, (preferably by email to the project manager, or 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 invited to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

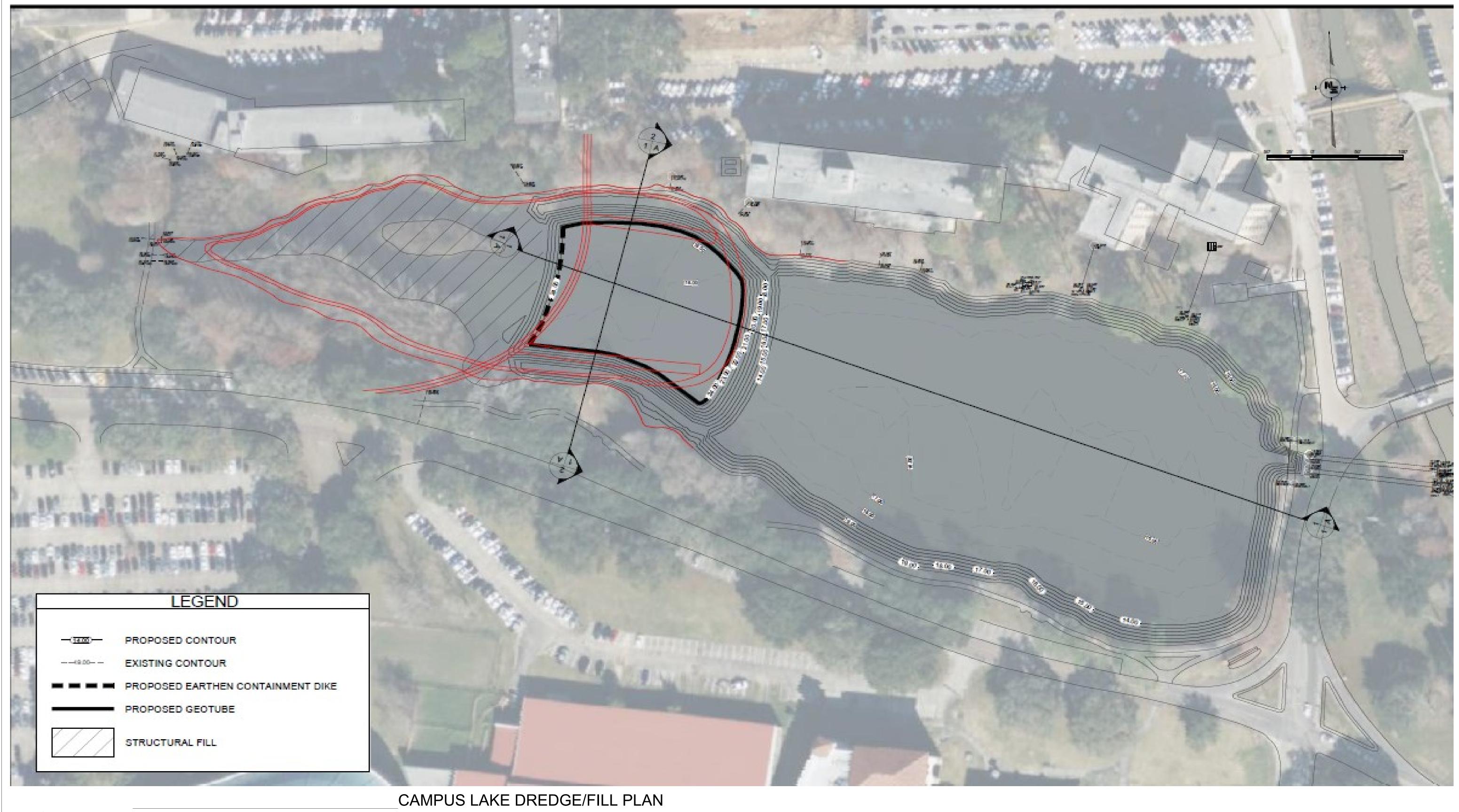
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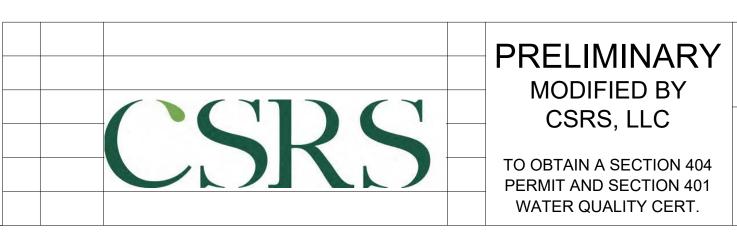
Enclosures



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ENGINEER OF RECORD: RYAN WALDRON LOUISIANA PE LICENSE NO.: 37706

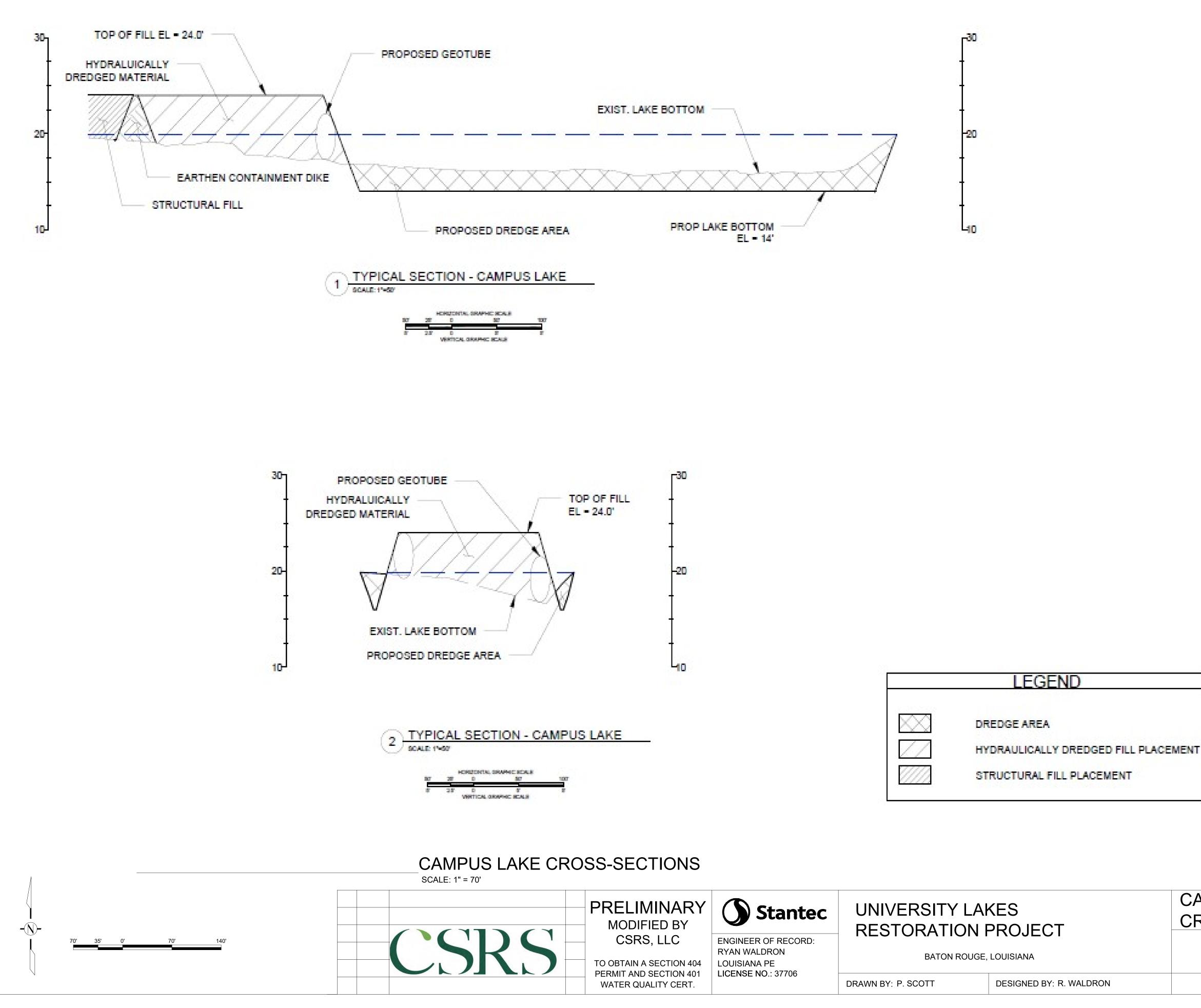
UNIVERSITY LAKES **RESTORATION PROJECT**

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

DRAWN BY: P. SCOTT

DESIGNED BY: R. WALDRON

CAMPUS LAKE DREDGE/FILL PLAN	U-2
	SHEET 2



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	VOLUME (CY)	AREA (ACRES)
DREDGE	9,234. <mark>4</mark> 5	3.21
CONTAINED FILL (HAULED IN)	26,851.78	3.69

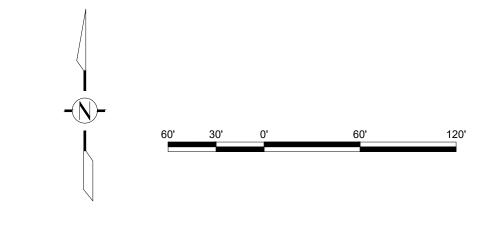
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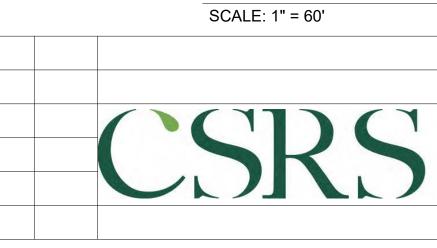
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CAMPUS LAKE	272



CAMPUS LAKE CROSS-SECTIONS	U-3
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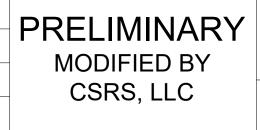








COLLEGE LAKE DREDGING PLAN



TO OBTAIN A SECTION 404 PERMIT AND SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERT.



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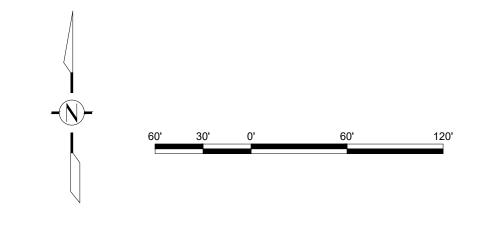
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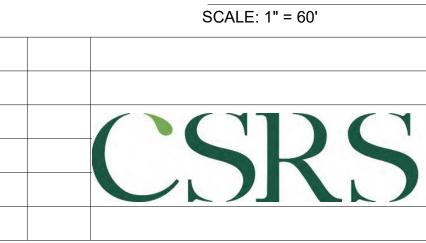
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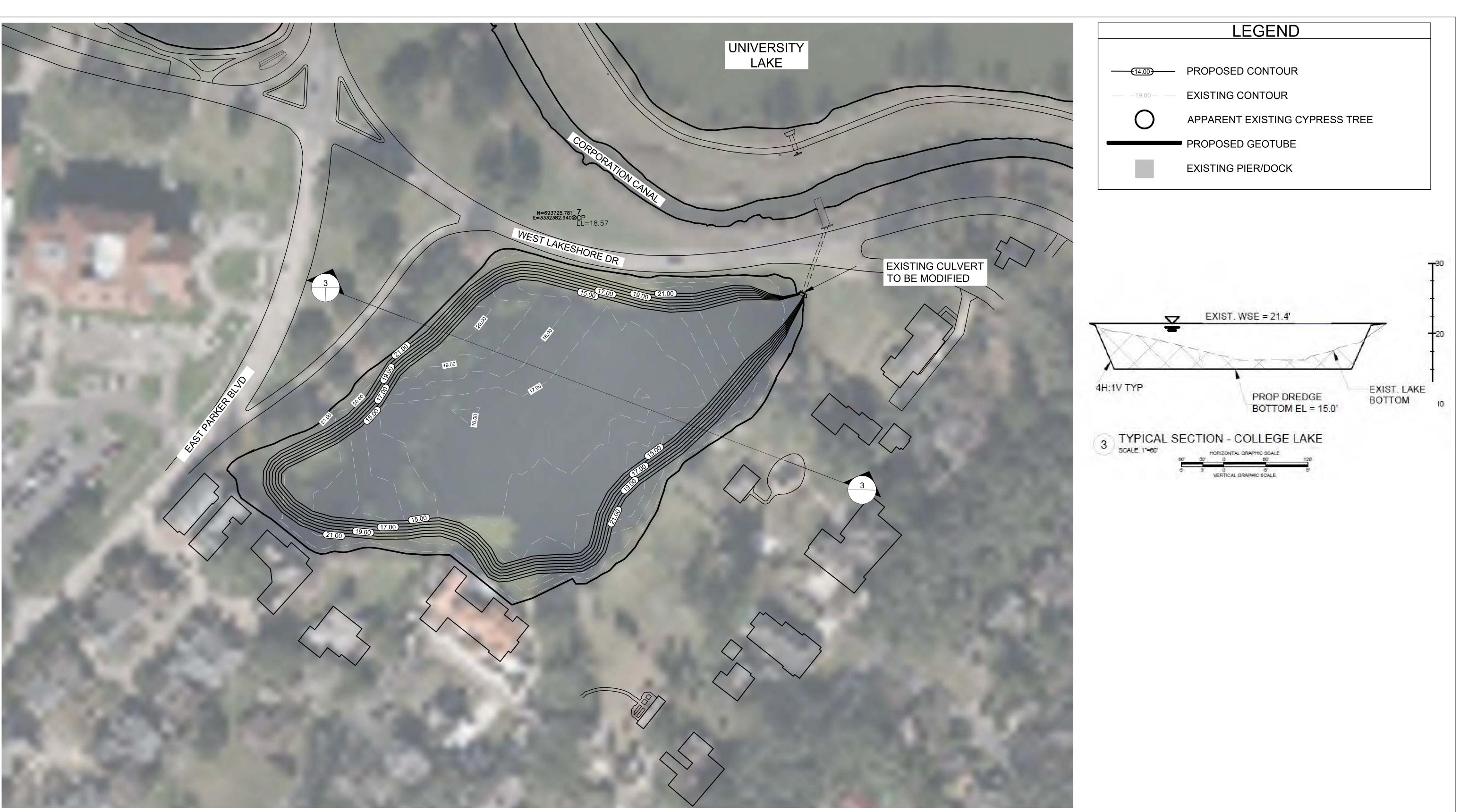
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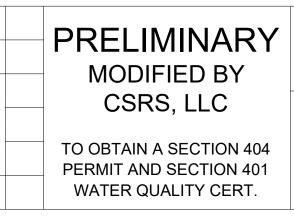
COLLEGE LAKE	
DREDGE PLAN	U-4
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COLLEGE LAKE GRADING PLAN





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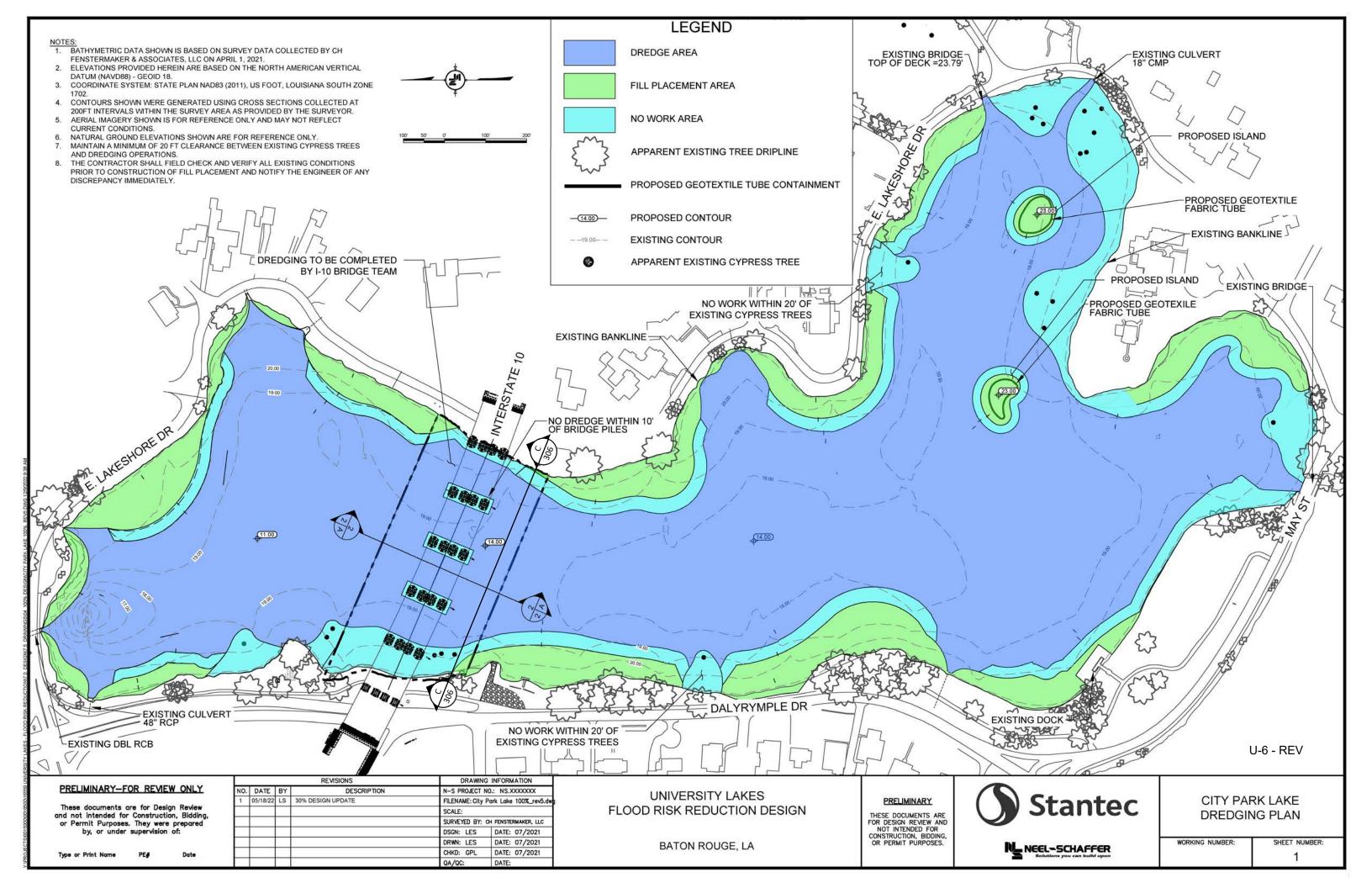
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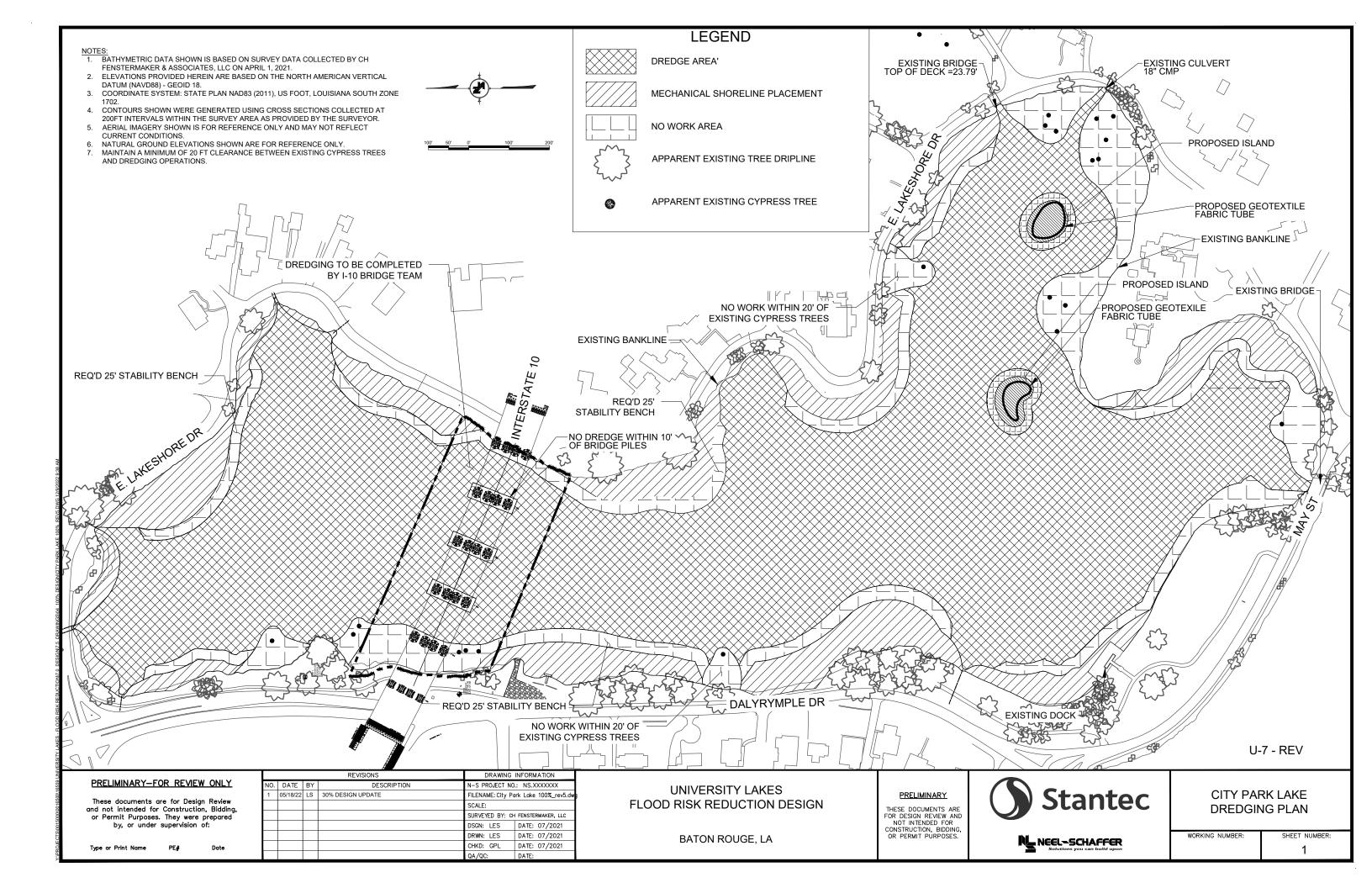
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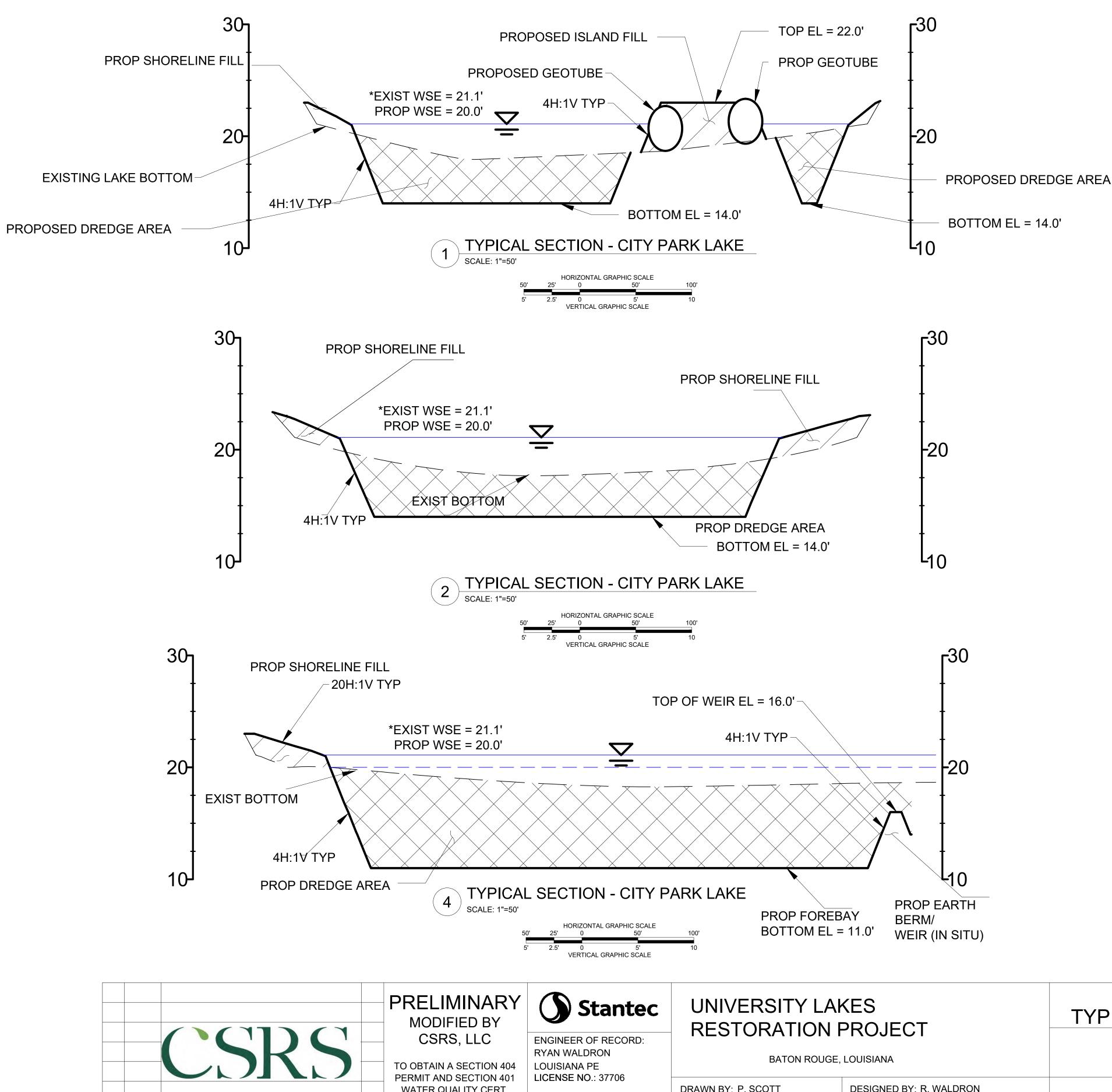
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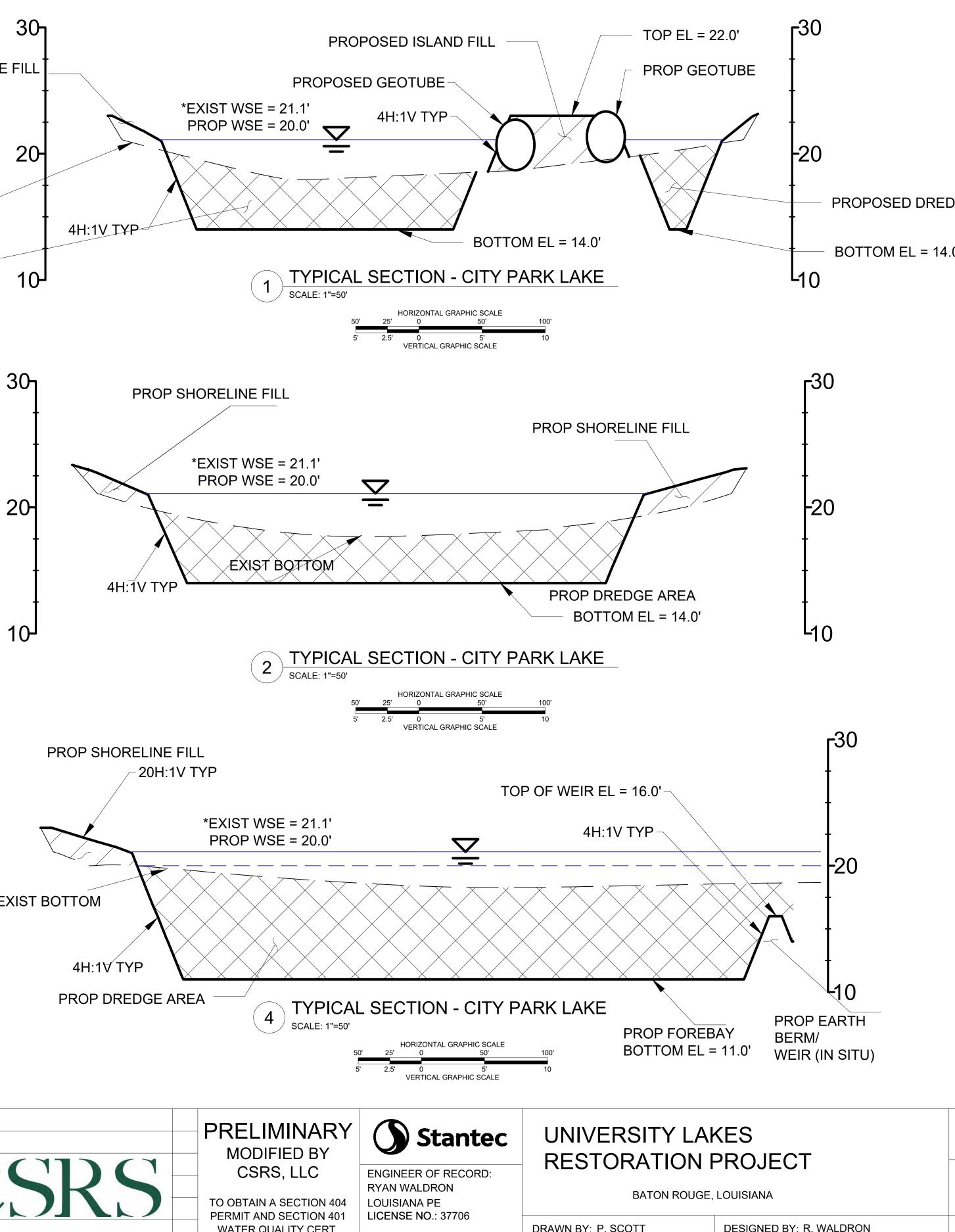
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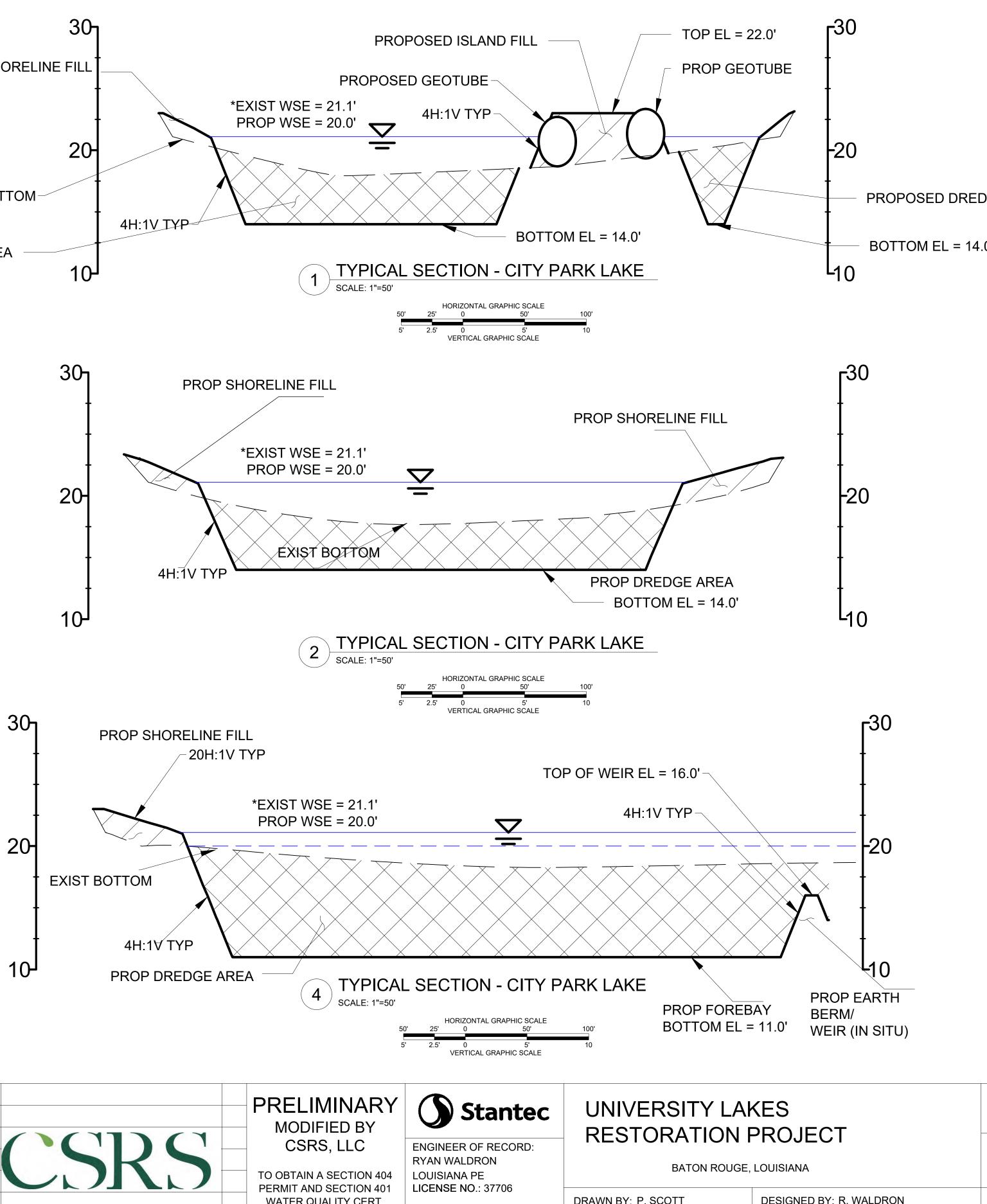
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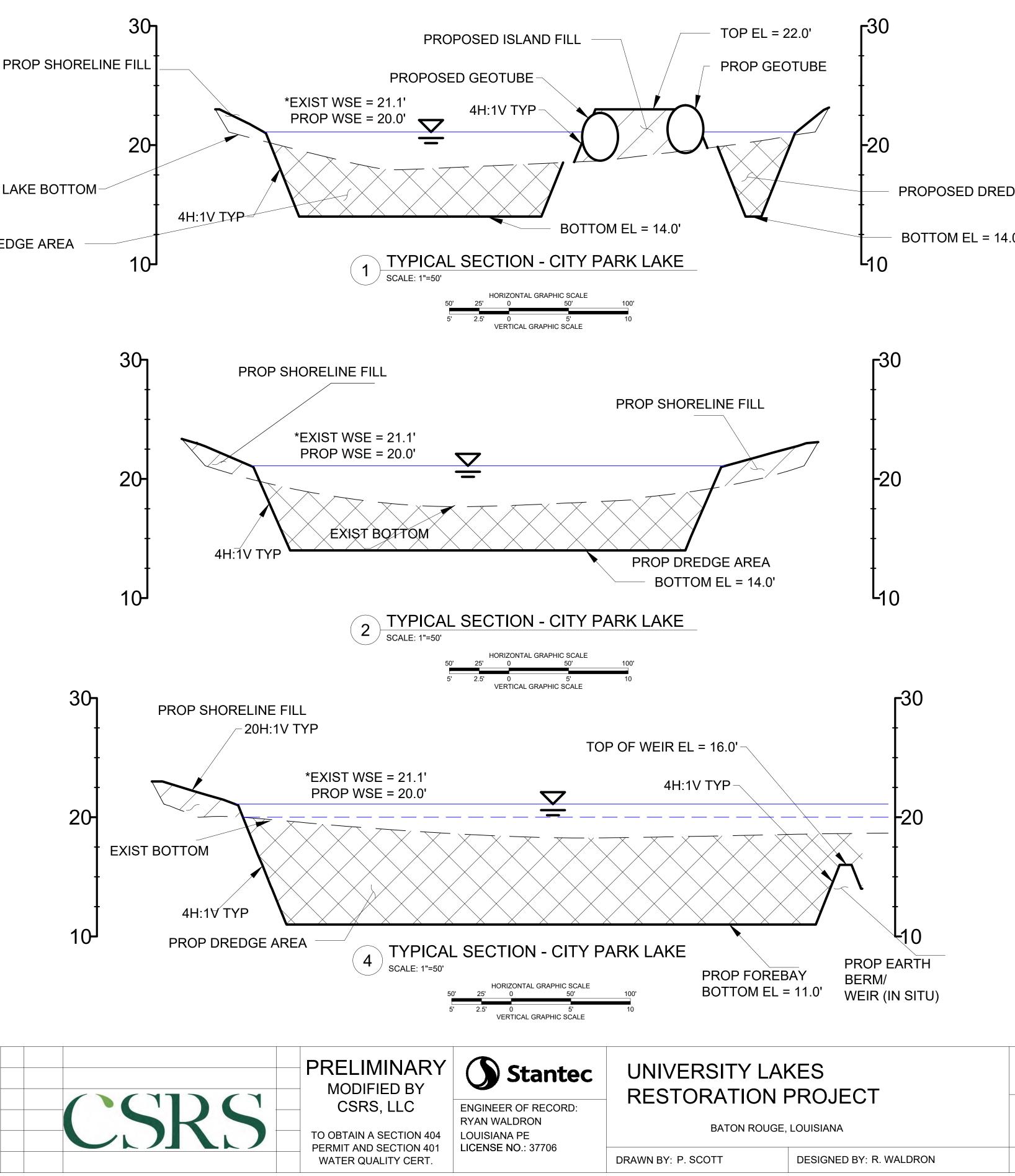




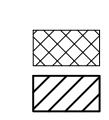








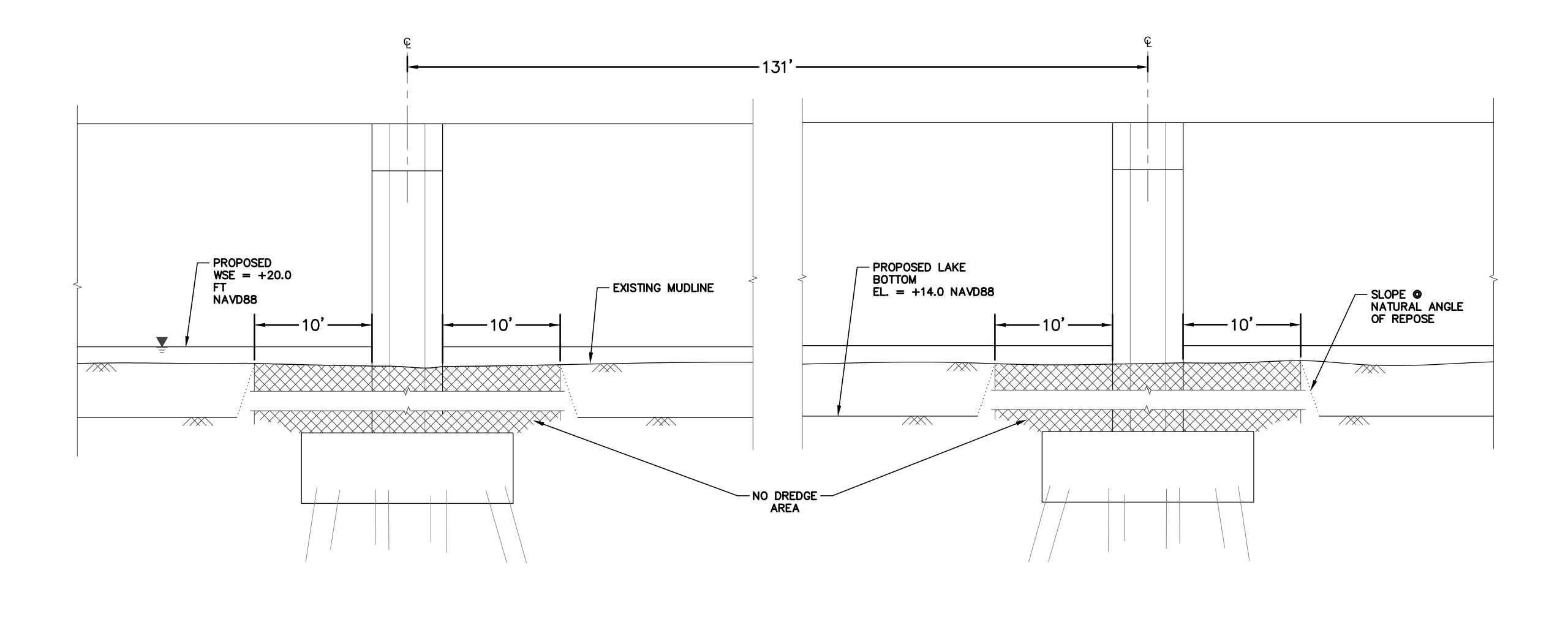




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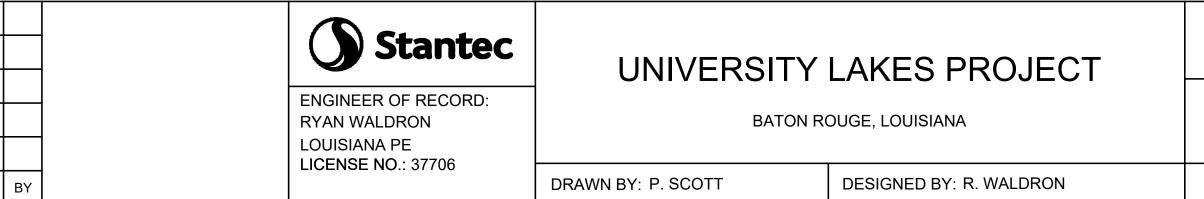
SHORELINE PLACEMENT AREA

CITY PARK TYPICAL SECTIONS	U-8A
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TYPICAL SECTION DETAIL	U-8B
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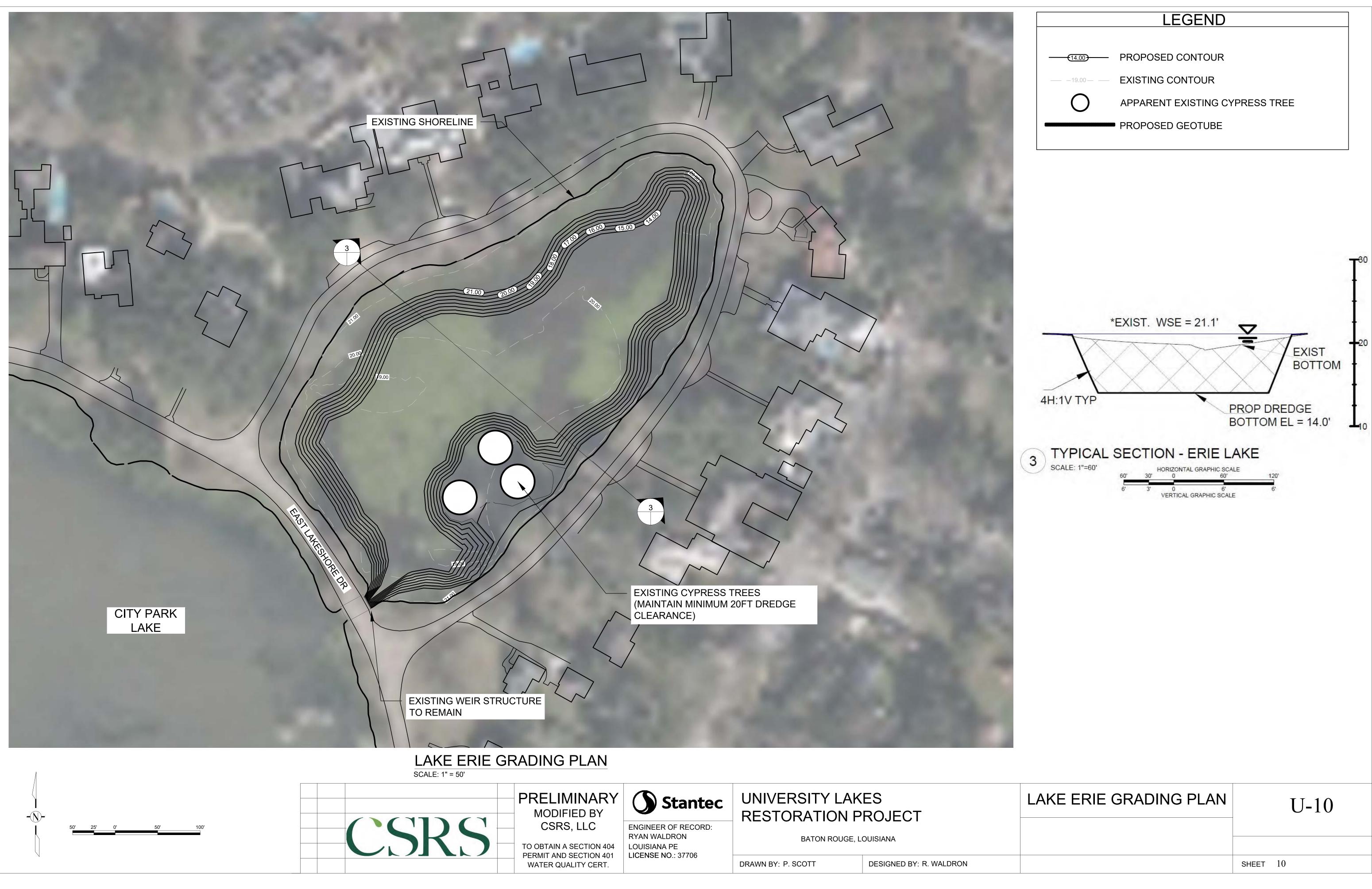


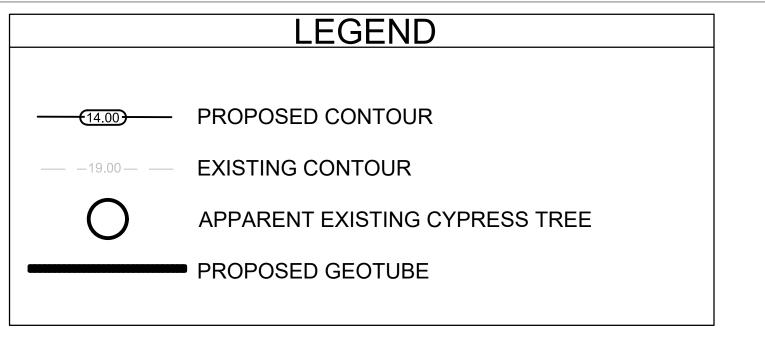
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ESTIMATED QUANTITIES - ERIE LAKE

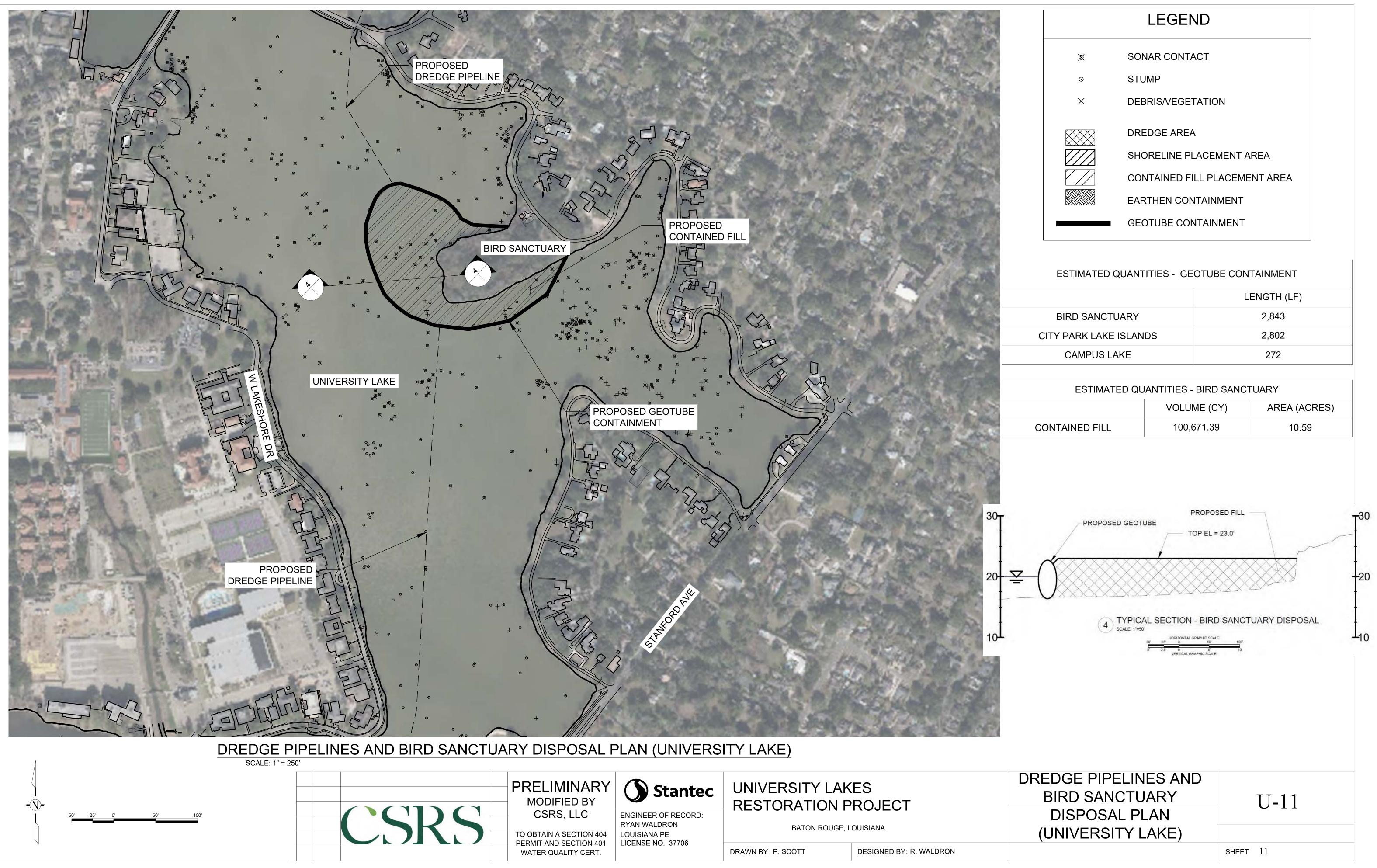
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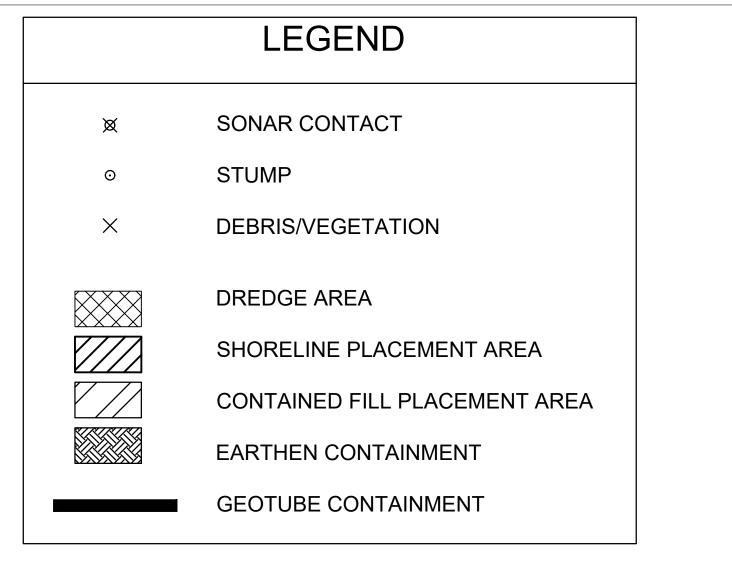
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LAKE ERIE GRADING PLAN	U-10
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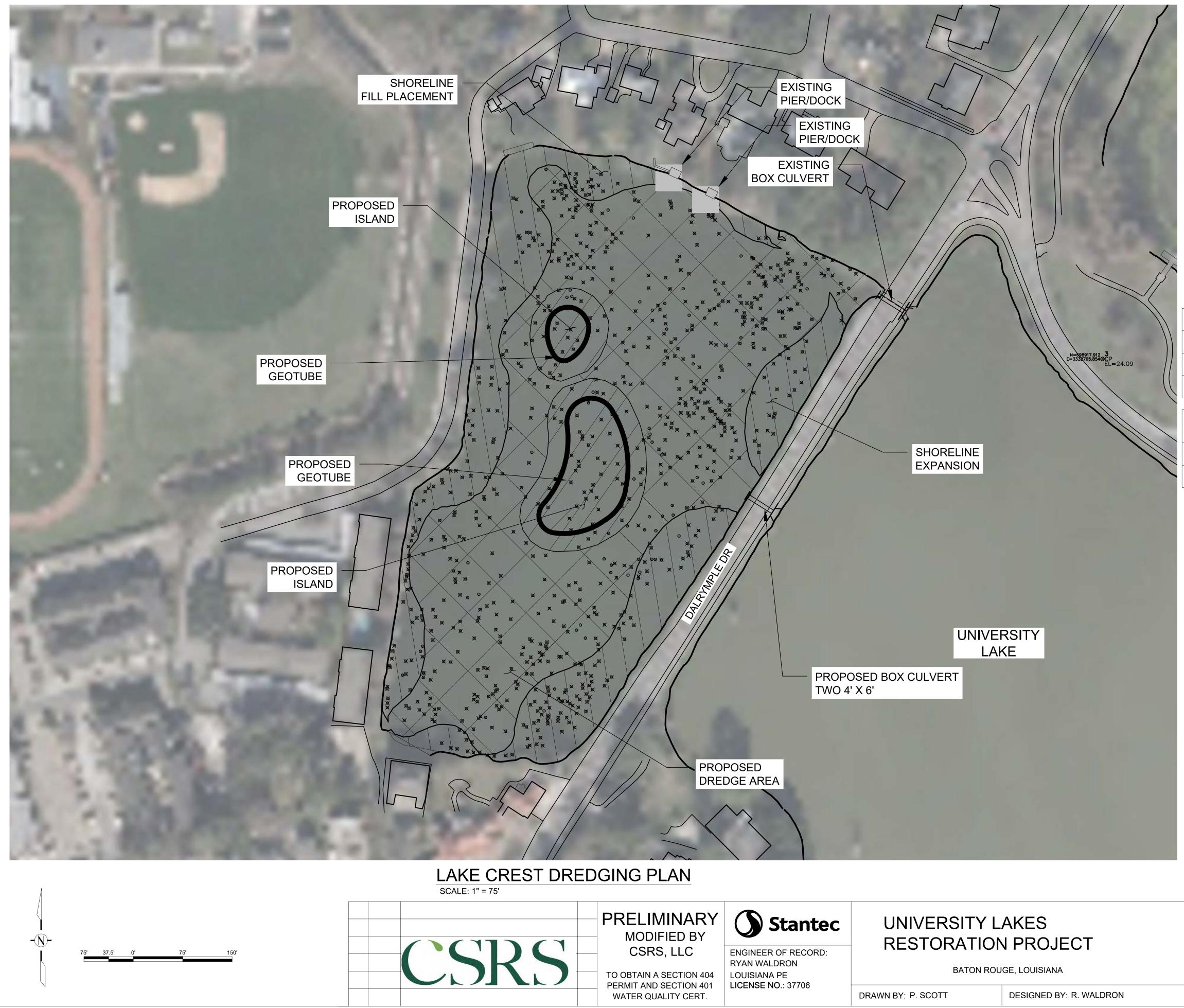




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BIRD SANCTUARY	2,843
CITY PARK LAKE ISLANDS	2,802
CAMPUS LAKE	272

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES - BIRD SANCTUARY		
	VOLUME (CY)	AREA (ACRES)
CONTAINED FILL	100,671.39	10.59

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BIRD SANCTUARY	U-11
DISPOSAL PLAN	
(UNIVERSITY LAKE)	
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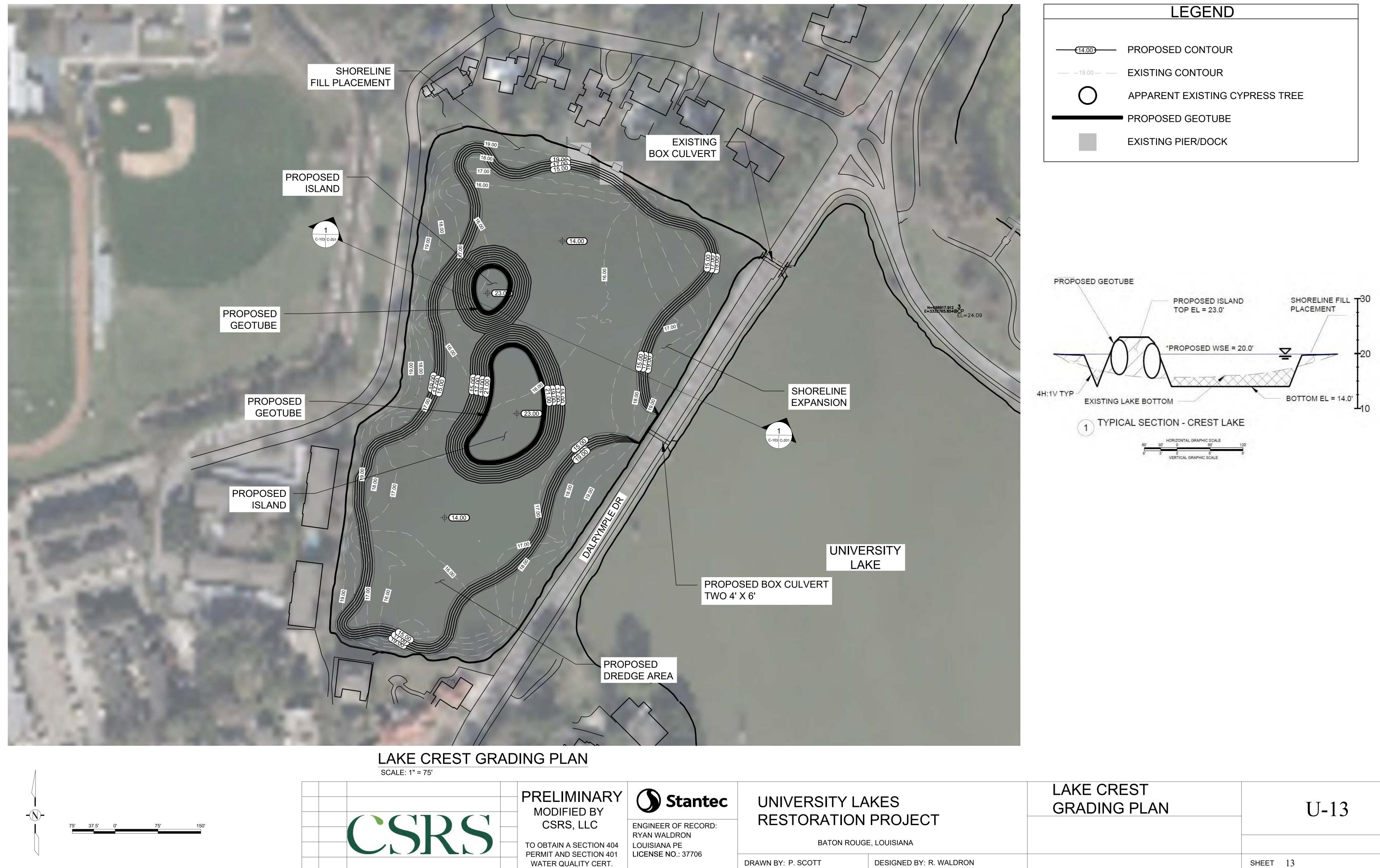
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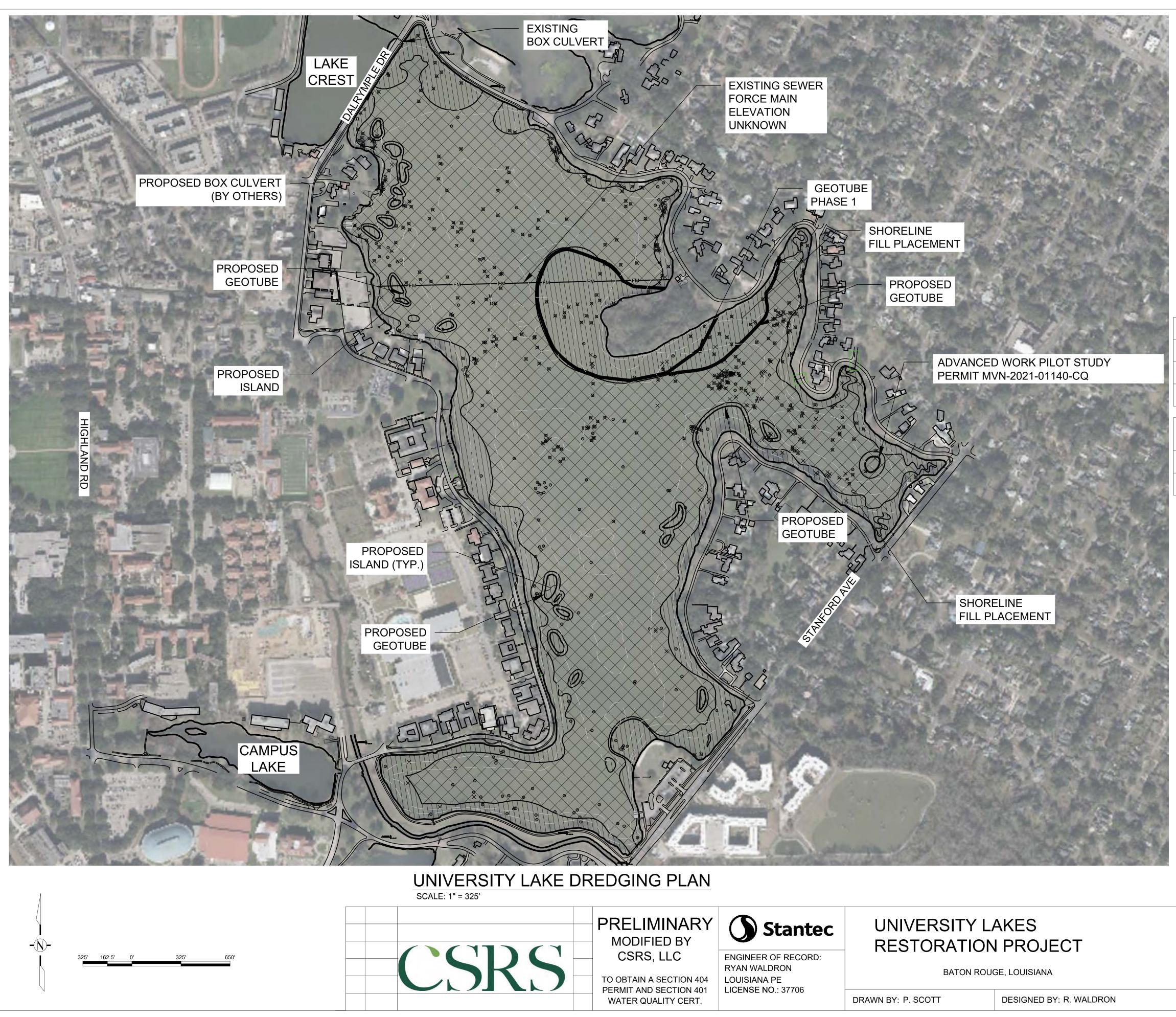
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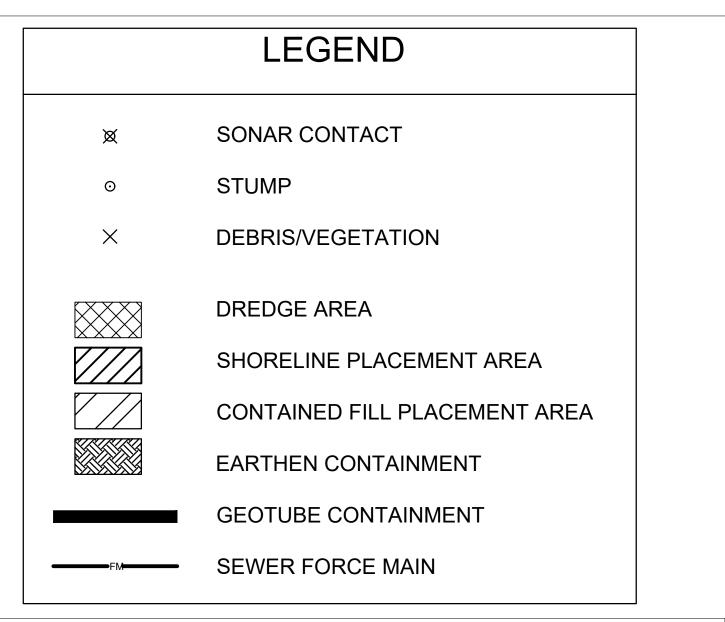
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LAKE CREST GRADING PLAN	U-13
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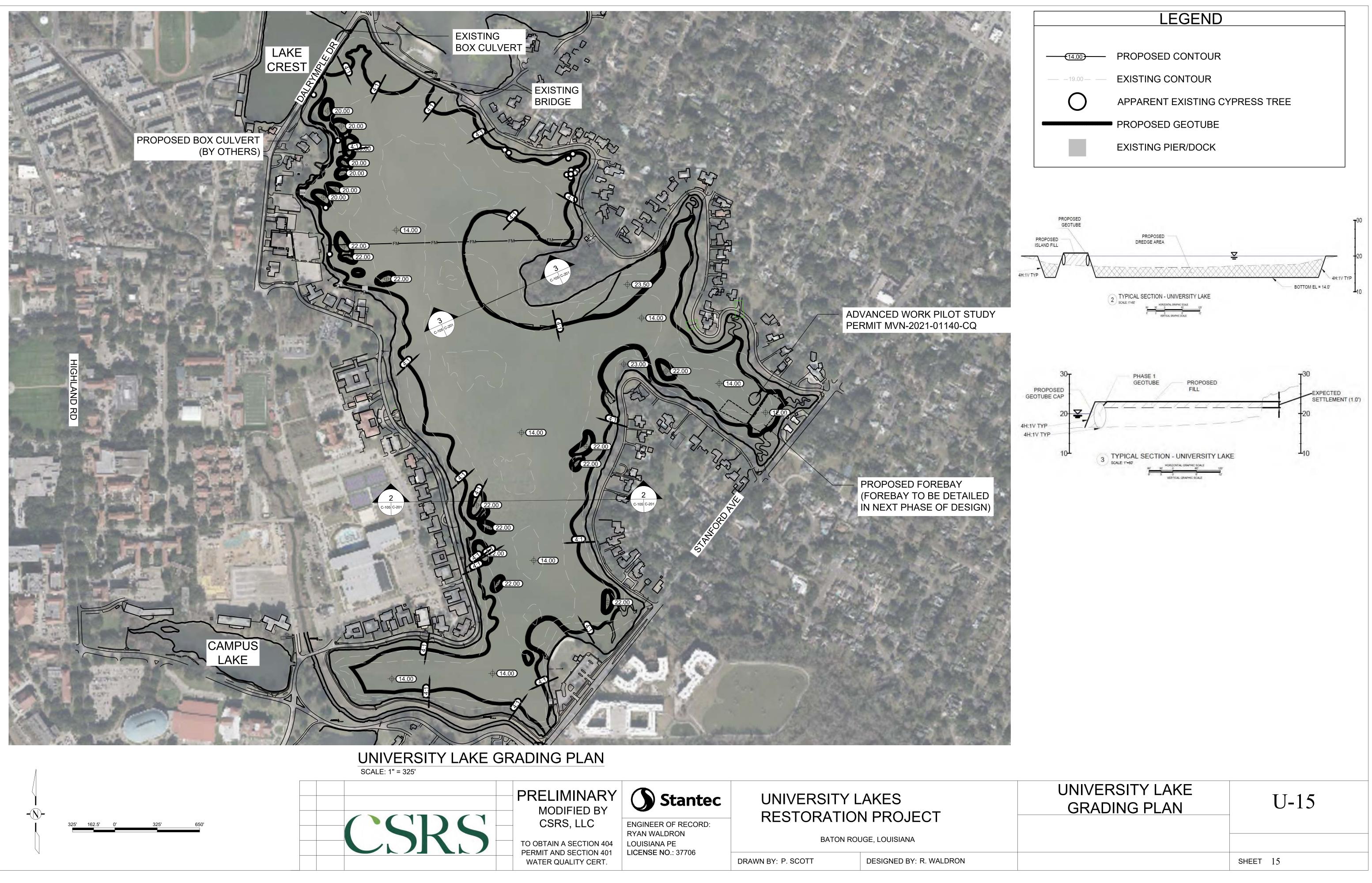
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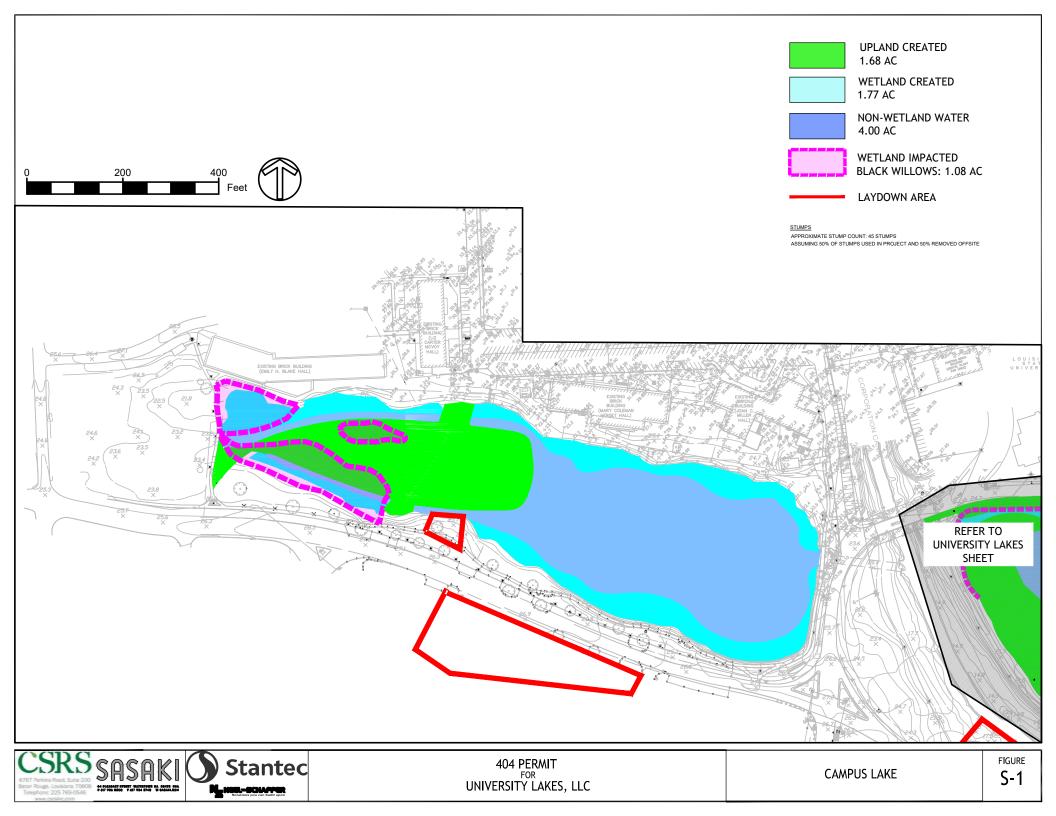
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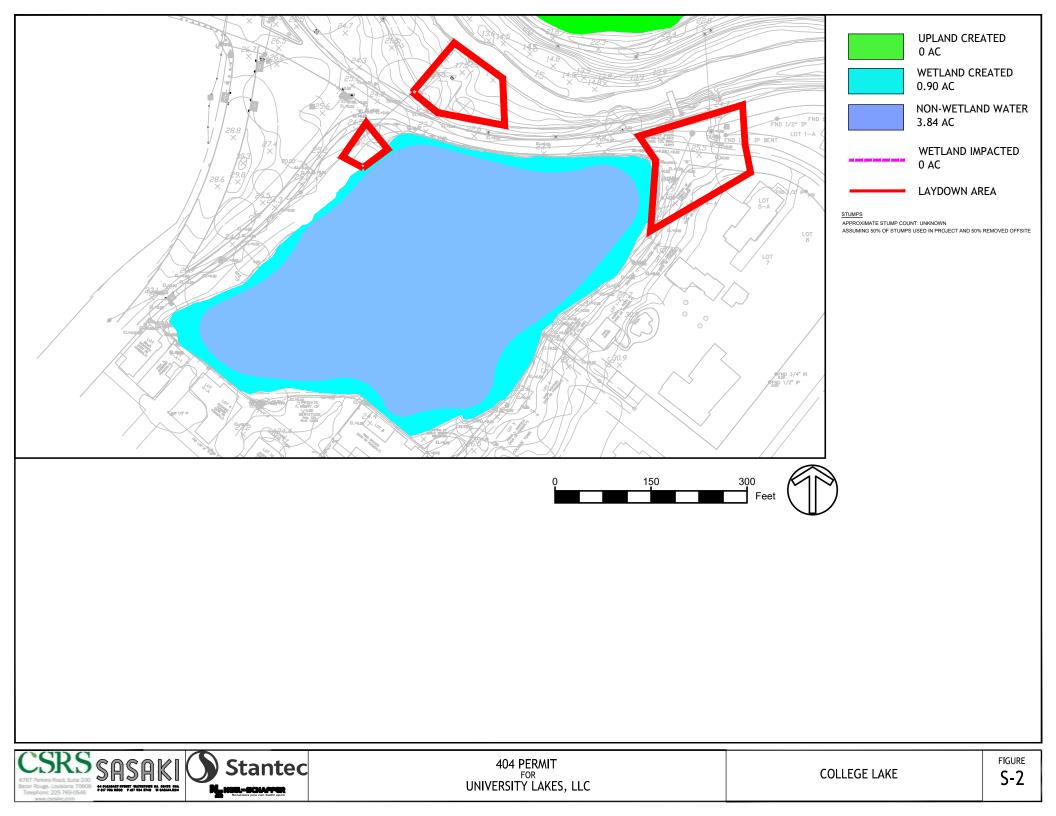
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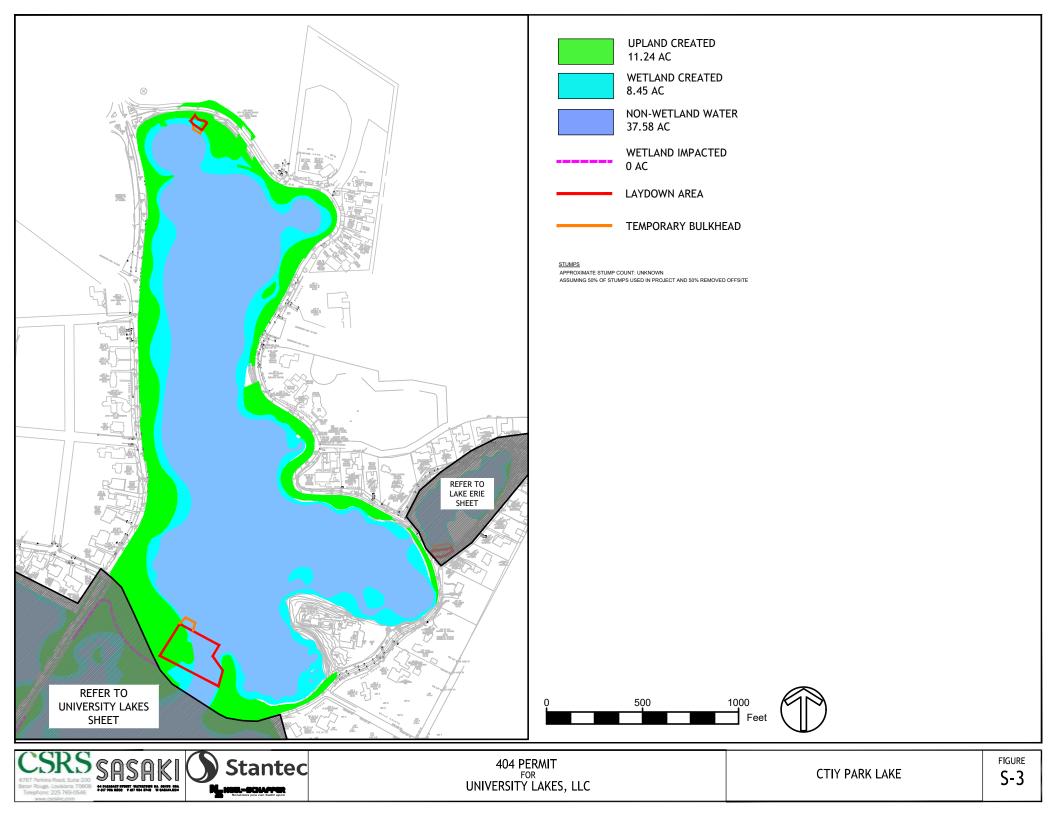
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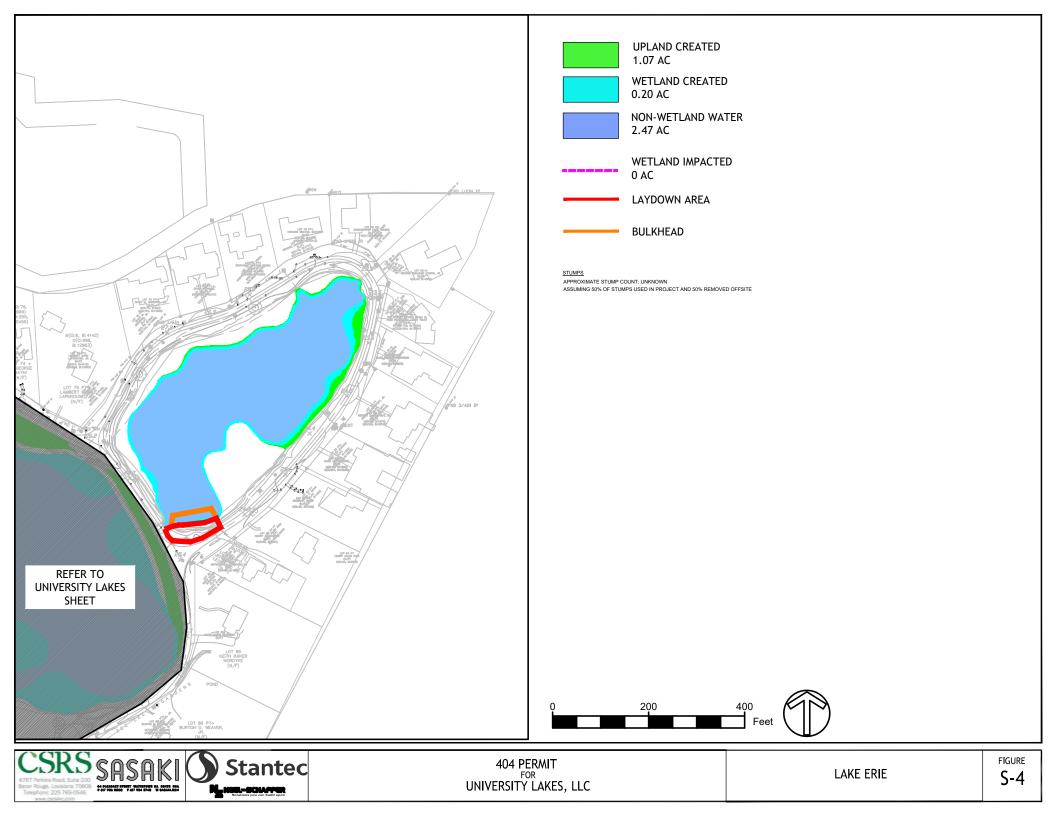
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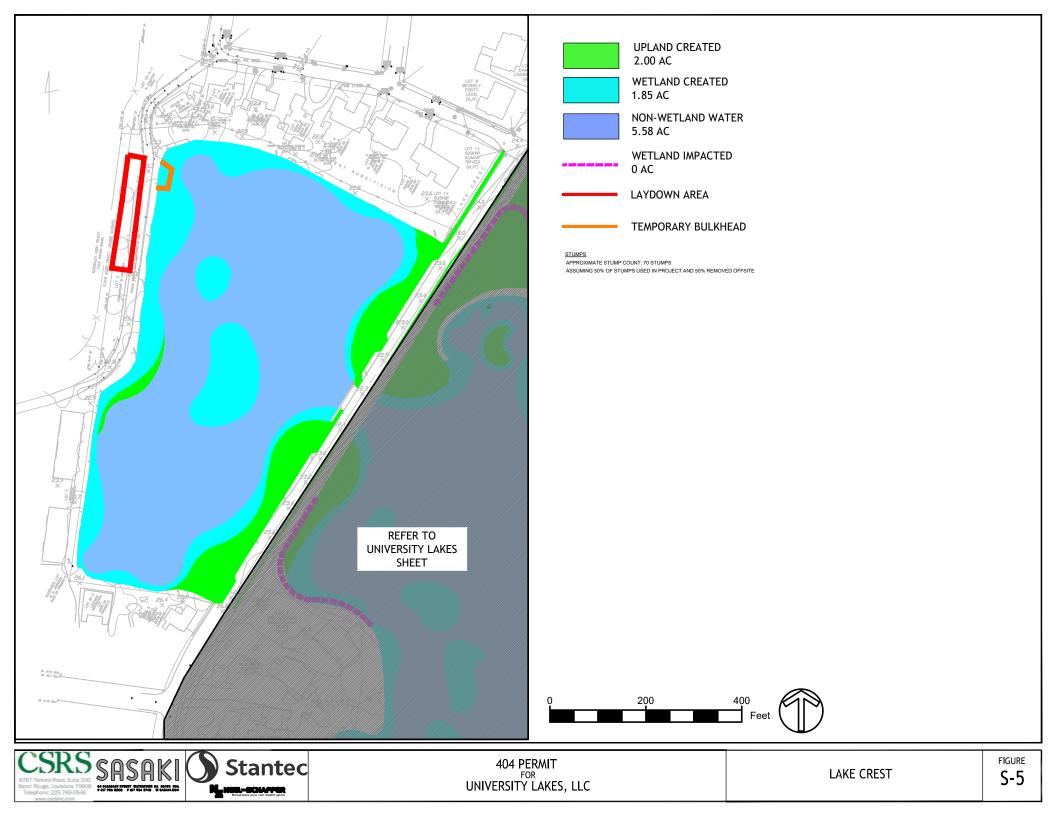


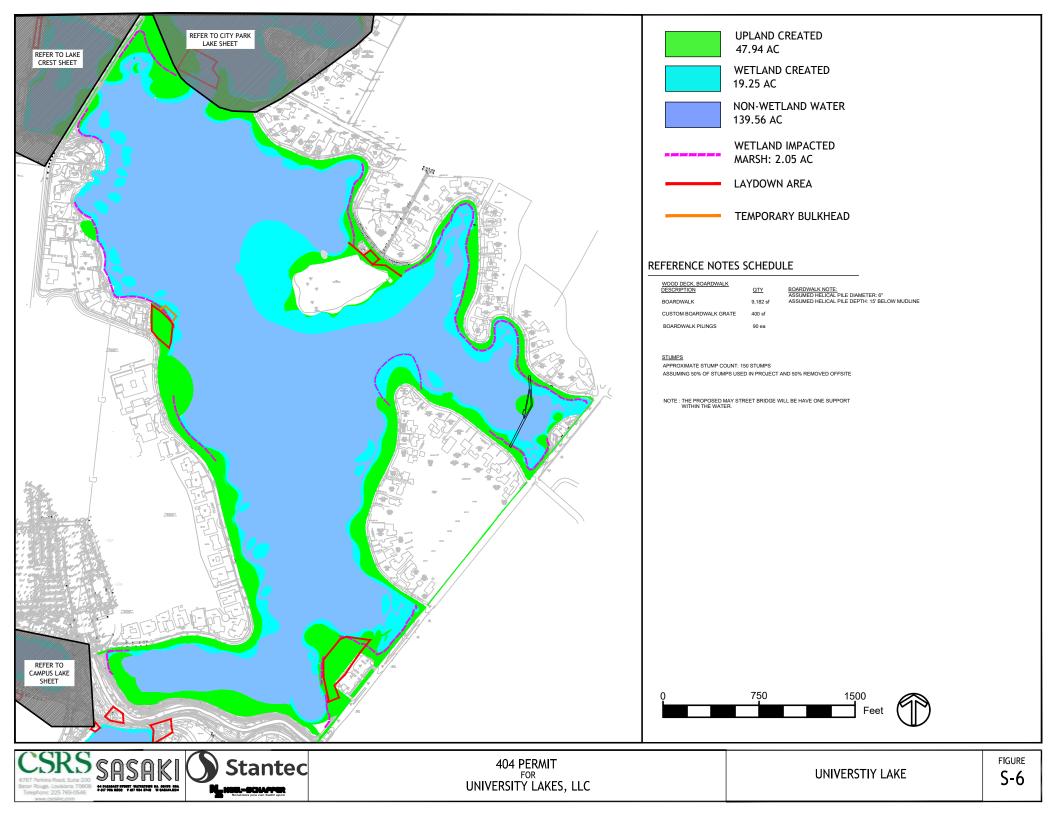


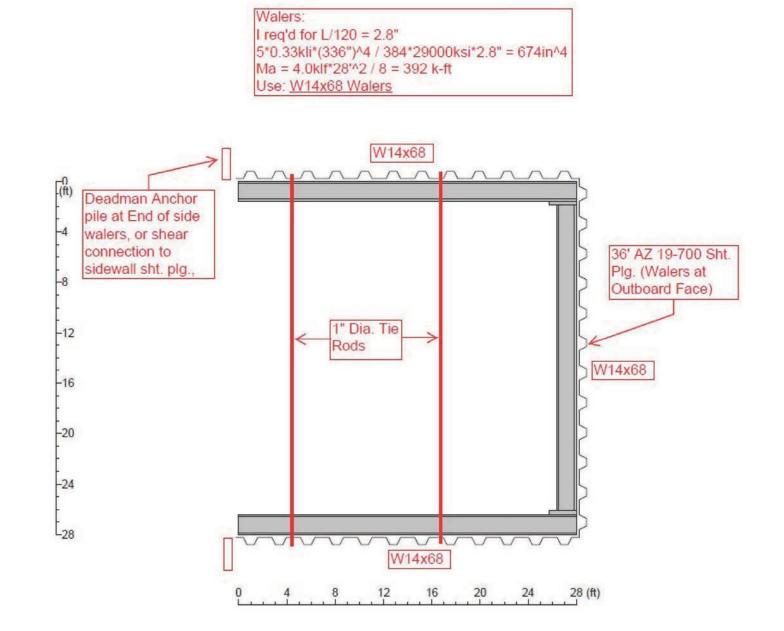












B-1- Bulkhead Design Typical



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Project Data:

FIGURE B-1: Bulkhead **Design Typical**

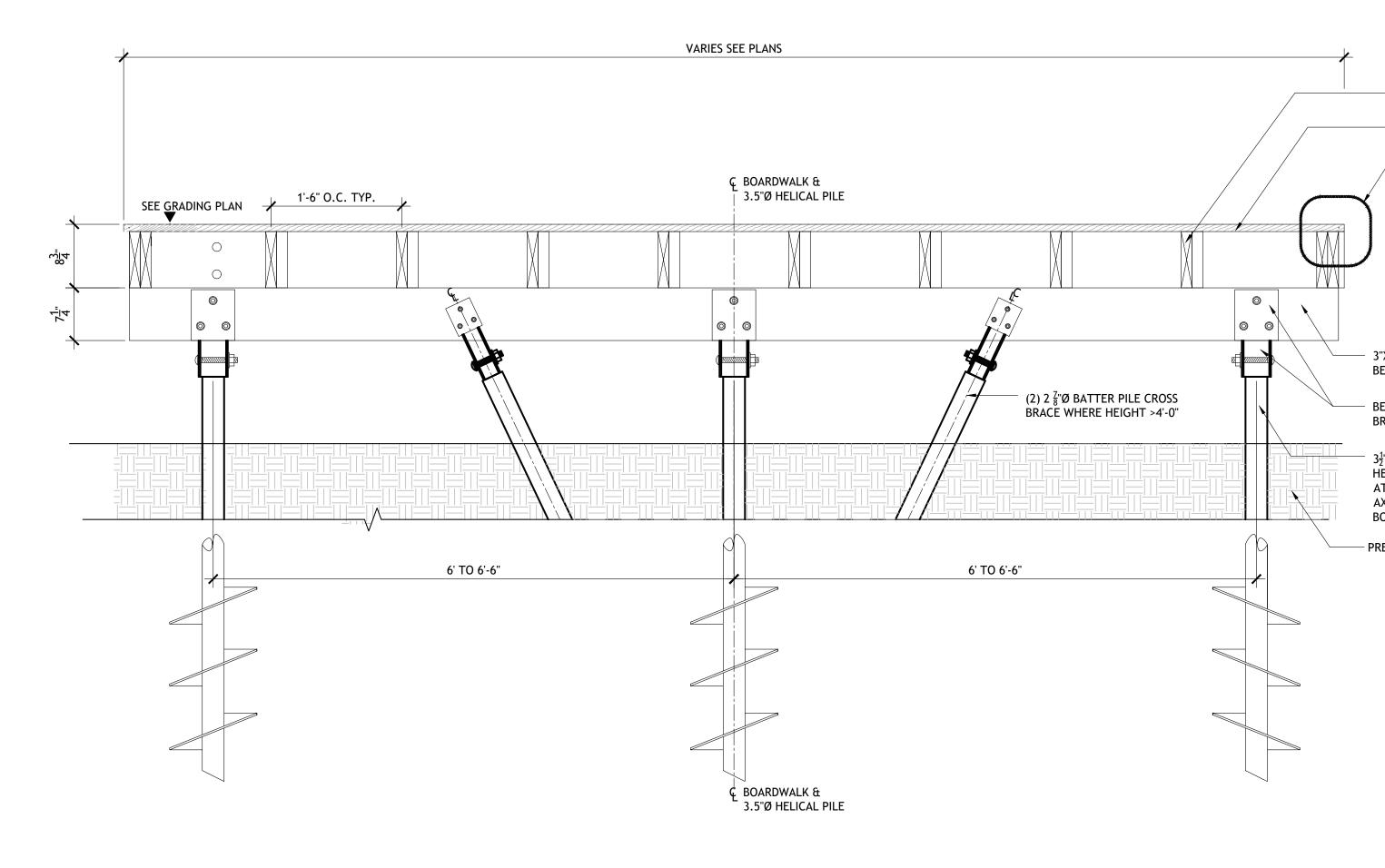
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Bulkhead Detail

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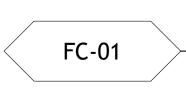
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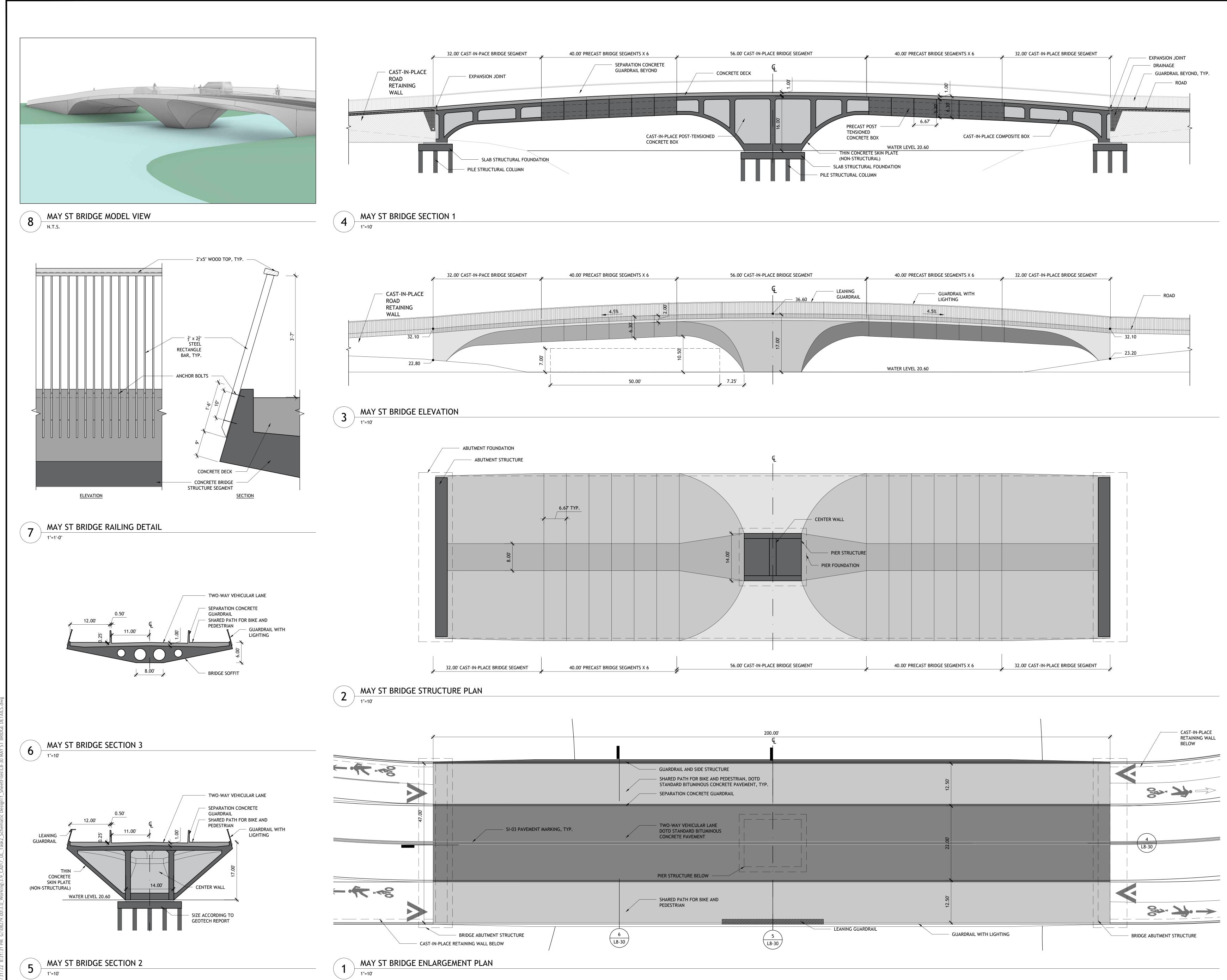




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