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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Application #: MVN-2008-02532-WPP

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 [] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

PROPOSED MAINTENANCE DREDGING OF A DEEPWATER FACILITY IN TERREBONNE PARISH

NAME OF APPLICANT: Conrad Shipyard, LLC c/o: APTIM, Attention: Charlotte Liner, 4171 Essen Lane, Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

LOCATION OF WORK: Located in Terrebonne Parish, located at Duhon By-Pass Road, in Amelia, Louisiana, (lat. 29.65361°, long. -91.12306°), as shown within the attached drawings. (Hydrologic Unit Code 08090302, Terrebonne Watershed)

CHARACTER OF WORK: The applicant has requested permit reissuance to perform maintenance dredging of accumulated sediments at the existing ship dock facility. Multiple permit authorizations and time extensions have been granted for modifications and dredging at the facility since August 21, 2013. The most recent permit authorization was granted on April 27, 2018, to continue maintenance dredging at the Conrad Shipyard Facility. This permit expired on July 31, 2021, and the applicant has requested permit re-issuance in order to maintain deep water vessel access to the facility. Dredged spoil material will be placed at existing disposal areas, as shown on the permit drawings. No permanent wetland impacts are proposed in disposal areas.

The comment period on the requested 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 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, RGW, Johnny Duplantis**. 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.

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. 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 the West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), Eastern Black Rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis*), and Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*).

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 **19.9 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 Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality before a Department of the Army permit could be 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.

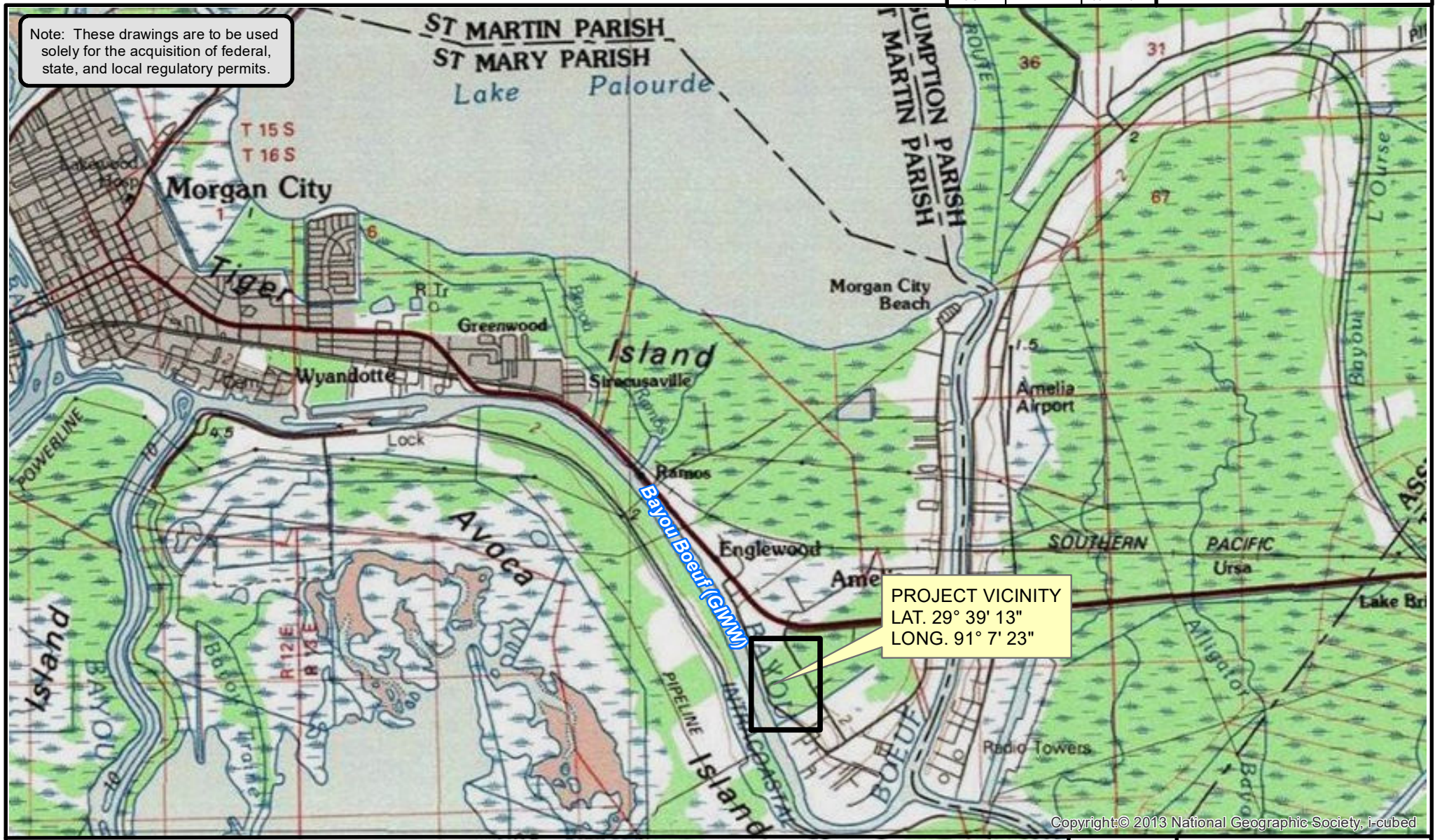
The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant receives approval or a waiver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

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Chief, Western Evaluation Branch
Regulatory Division

Enclosure

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


VICINITY MAP
DEEPWATER FACILITY
PROPOSED MAINTENANCE DREDGING

SECTION 44, T16S - R13E
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-  -18 Dredge Depth
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-  -32 Dredge Depth
-  Disposal Area
-  Access to Disposal Sites



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PLAN VIEW






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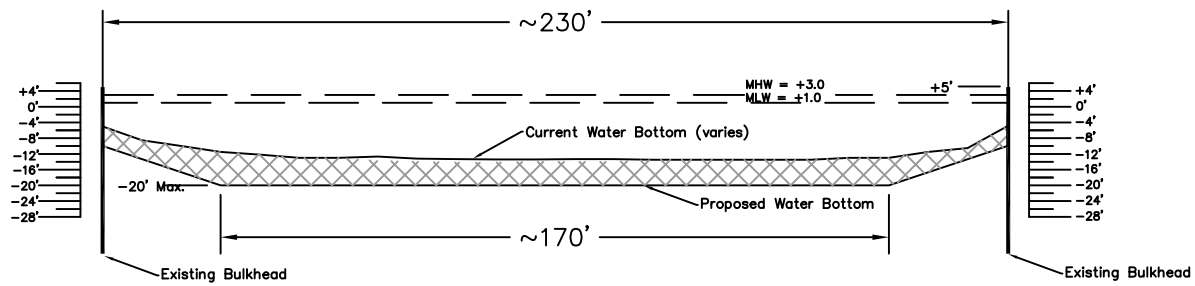
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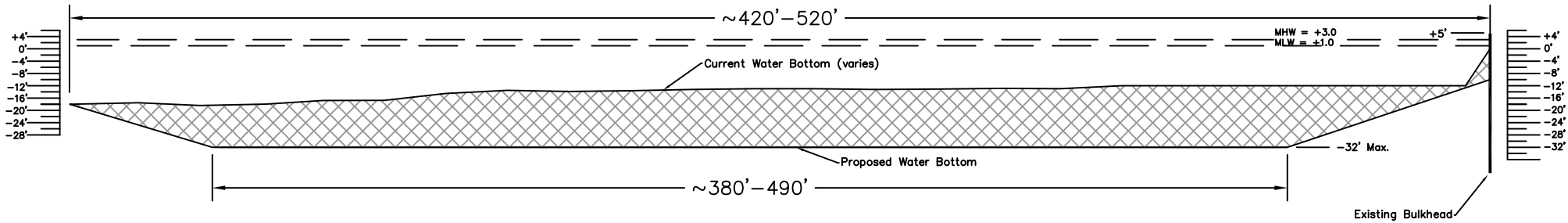
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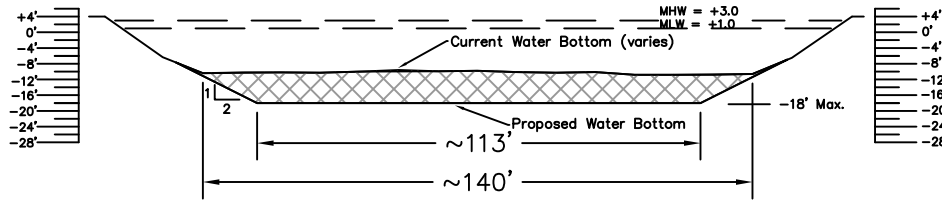
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Typical Section A



Typical Section B



Typical Section C

ONE TIME DREDGE EVENT:
 20 ft depth = APPROX. 123,000 CYS
 32 ft depth = APPROX. 129,000 CYS
 18 ft depth = APPROX. 20,000 CYS

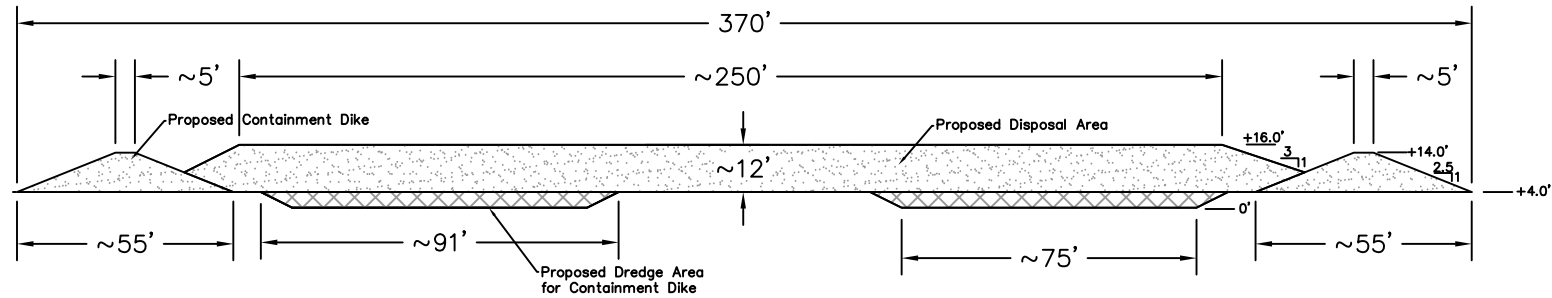
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Typical Section D
(for all disposal areas)

Notes: Approximately 500,000 cubic yards of material will be dredged from the existing slips and along the bulkhead for the duration of the Maintenance Dredging permit as needed. The disposal areas will hold approximately 130,000 cubic yards. The material will be disposed of on sight within the disposal areas and allowed to dewater prior to being removed.

No wetlands will be impacted by this activity.

This activity was previously permitted under MVN2008-2532-WY and P20121216.

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