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Public Notice

APPLICATION NO.:	MVK-2018-351
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DATE:	July 2, 2018
EXPIRATION DATE:	July 22, 2018

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality are considering an application for a Department of the Army Permit and State Water Quality Certification for the work described herein. Comments should be forwarded to the Vicksburg District, Attention: CEMVK-OD-F, and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality at Post Office Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225-2261, and must reach these offices by the cited expiration date.

Law Requiring a Permit: Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), which applies to discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States.

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Location of Work: Section 34, T6N- R2E, Latitude 32.3222, Longitude -90.0851, within the Hog Creek-Pearl River watershed in the Middle Pearl-Strong Drainage Basin (8-digit USGS HUC 03180002), Rankin County, Mississippi.

Description of Work: (See enclosed map and drawings.)

The following descriptions of the proposed project and associated impacts are based upon information provided by the applicant.

The applicant is applying for a Department of the Army Permit to conduct activities within jurisdictional waters for the construction of a running track. The stated purpose is to provide a dedicated area for 1,100 military personnel to perform physical training and conduct official Air force Fitness Assessments.

The running track would be ¼ mile long with an asphalt running surface composed of three running lanes with a width of 12 feet, 4 inches. Utilities such as lighting, water, and a monitoring pad would also be installed.

The subject site is approximately 3.65 acres in size, of which approximately 2.30 acres are herbaceous wetlands and approximately 0.67 acre forested wetlands. The running track and associated grading would result in the fill of approximately 0.88 acre of herbaceous and 0.12 acre of forested wetlands. Drainage swales placed across the center of the subject site would result in impacts to approximately 0.07 acre of herbaceous and 0.01 acre of forested wetlands. Approximately 3,200 cubic yards of sand, 2,470 cubic yards of select fill dirt, and 204 cubic yards of asphalt would be placed within jurisdictional wetlands.

The vegetative communities within the project area are dominated by common rush, beaksedge, grass-leaved rush, water oak, willow oak, cherrybark oak, and green ash. Soil within the project site consists of Tippe silt loam and Guyton silt loam with Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) hydric component percentage ratings of 5 and 93, respectively.

The applicant proposes to compensate for the unavoidable loss of jurisdictional impacts through the purchase of credits from an approved mitigation.

Upon reviewing this notice, you should write to this office to provide your opinion of the impacts this work will have on the natural and human environment and address any mitigation you believe is necessary to offset these impacts. Other comments are welcome, but the above information will further our review of the applicant's plan as proposed. Comments of a general nature are not as helpful as those specific to the impacts of the subject project.

State Water Quality Permit: The State Pollution Control Agency must certify that the described work will comply with the State's water quality standards and effluent limitations before a Corps permit is issued.

Cultural Resources: The Regulatory Archaeologist has reviewed the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, state lists of properties determined eligible, and other sources of information. The following is current knowledge of the presence or absence of historic properties and the effects of the proposed undertaking upon these properties: The Corps of Engineers has reviewed the Determination of the lead Federal Agency and has deferred Section 106 consultations to the lead Federal Agency. The lead Federal Agency has made a determination of No Historic Properties Affected.

Endangered Species: Listed species for the affected area include the Ringed map turtle, Wood stork, Gulf sturgeon, and Northern long-eared bat. Utilizing the Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species (SLOPES) as

signed on June 28, 2017, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Corps has made the following determinations. The activity would have no effect on the following listed species: Ringed map turtle, Wood stork, and Gulf sturgeon. The activity may affect the Northern long-eared bat, but any resulting incidental take of the Northern long-eared bat is not prohibited by the final 4(d) rule. This proposal is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and any comments regarding endangered species or their critical habitat will be addressed in our evaluation of the described work.

Floodplain: In accordance with 44 CFR Part 60 (Floodplain Management and Use), participating communities are required to review all proposed development to determine if a floodplain development permit is required. Floodplain administrators should review the proposed development described in this public notice and apprise this office of any flood plain development permit requirements. The project is not inside of the 100 year floodplain.

Evaluation Factors: The decision whether or not to issue a permit will be based upon an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its expected adverse effects. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, historic values, fish and wildlife values, flood damage prevention, land use classification, navigation, recreation, water supply, water quality, energy needs, safety, food requirements and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the proposed activity will include application of the guidelines published by the Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act.

Public Involvement: The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties. These comments will be used to evaluate the impacts of this project. All comments will be considered and used to help determine whether to issue the permit, deny the permit, or issue the permit with conditions, and to help us determine the amount and type of mitigation necessary. This information will be used in our Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing.

Opportunity for a Public Hearing: Any person may make a written request for a public hearing to consider this permit application. This request must be submitted by the public notice expiration date and must clearly state why a hearing is necessary. Failure of any agency or individual to comment on this notice will be interpreted to mean that there is no objection to the proposed work.

Please bring this announcement to the attention of anyone you know who might be interested in this matter.

Notification of Final Permit Actions: Each month, the final permit actions from the preceding month are published on the Vicksburg District Regulatory web page. To access this information, you may follow the link from the Regulatory web page, <http://www.mvk.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx>.

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Location:
 Jackson Medger Evers
 International Airport
 Section 34, T6N-R2E
 Jackson SE Quadrangle
 Rankin County, MS

Proposed Work:
 Army National Guard Running Track

Map Background:
 ESRI World Imagery

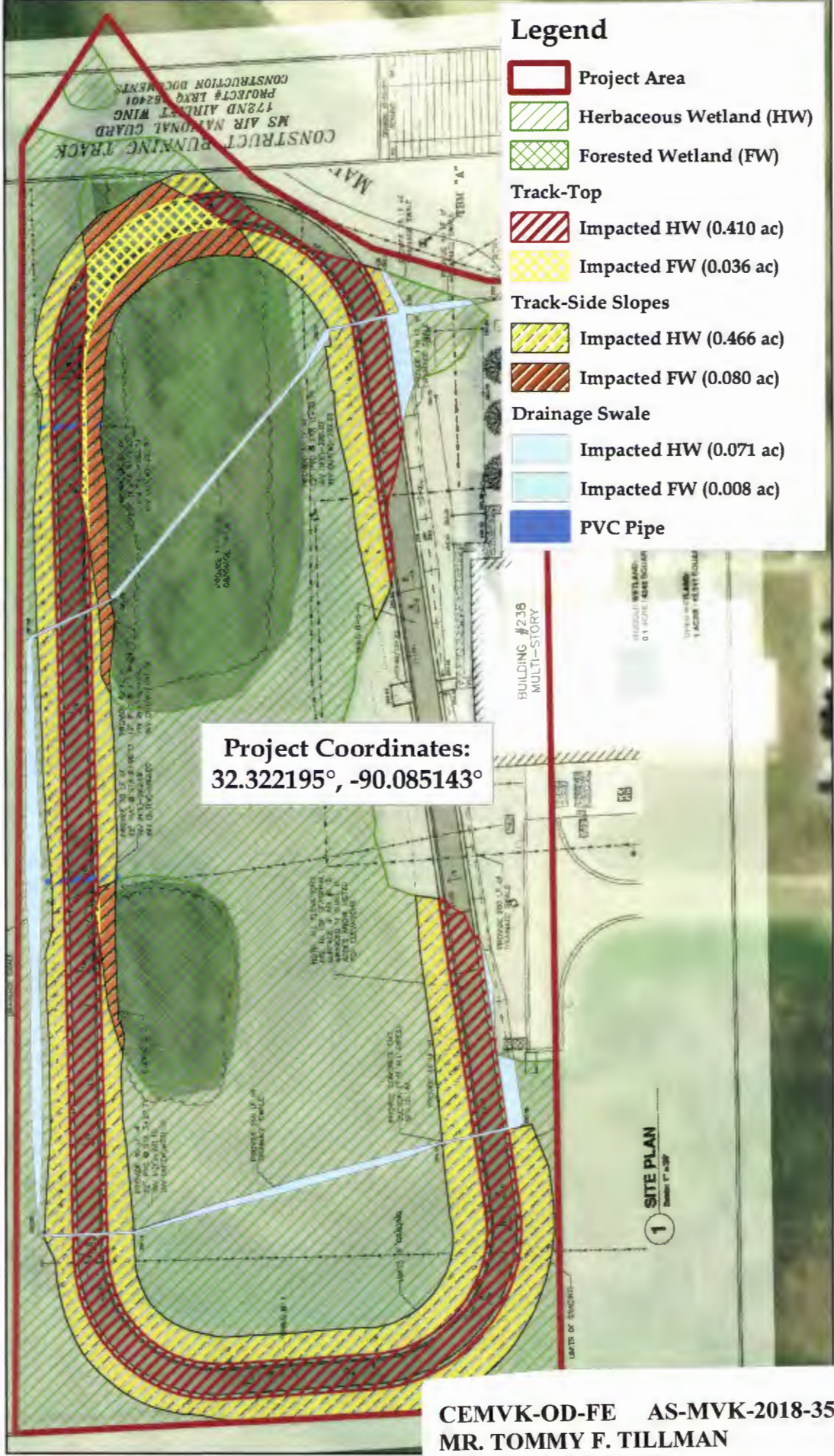
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Jurisdictional Determination

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Enclosure 1
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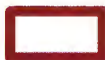

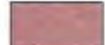


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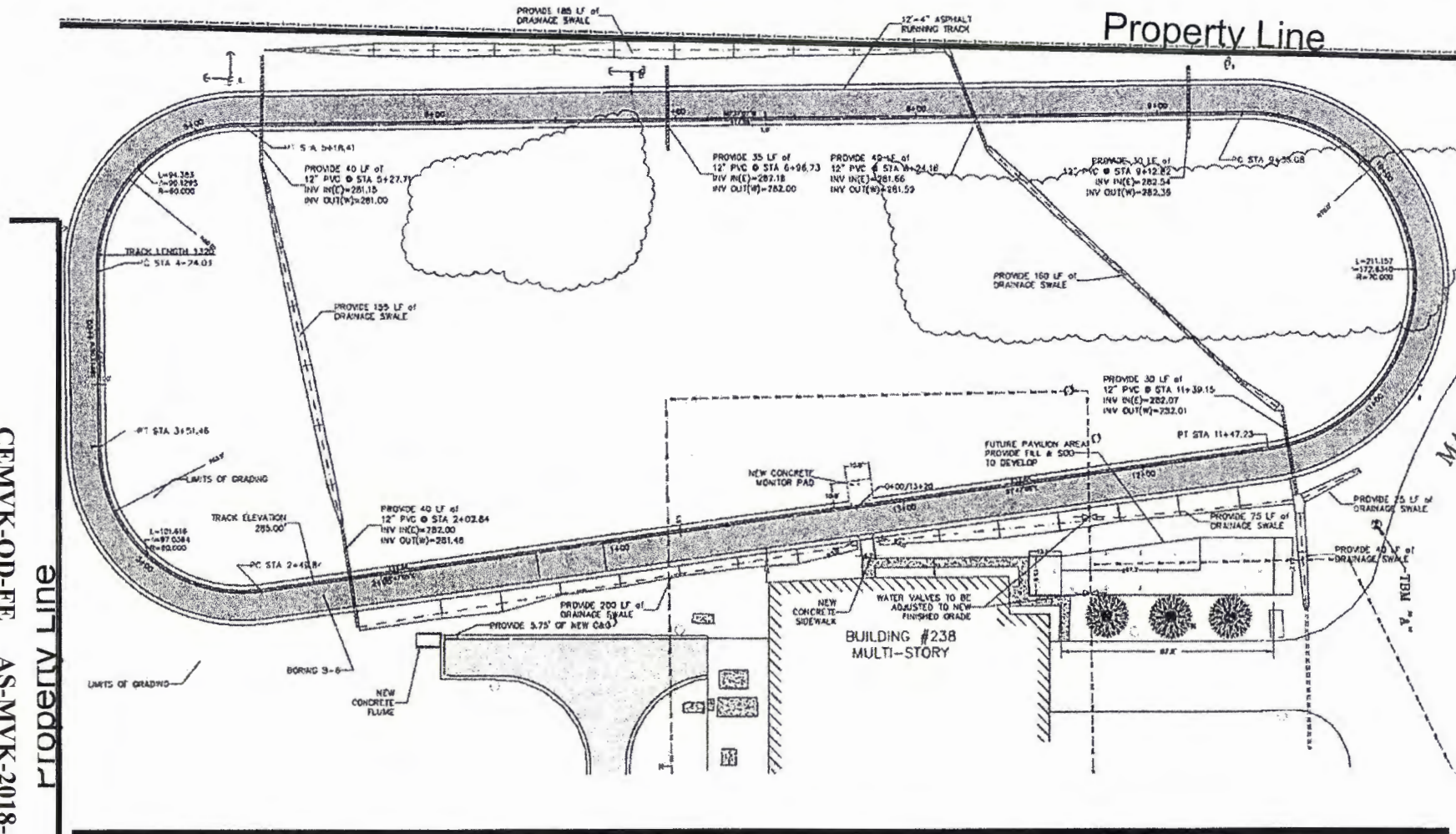
Legend

-  Delineation Limits 3.65 Acres
-  Herbaceous Wetland 2.30 Acres
-  PFO Wetland 0.67 Acres



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Site Plan - New



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