



**US Army Corps
of Engineers.**

Vicksburg District
4155 Clay Street
Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
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Public Notice

APPLICATION NO.:	<u>CPM-MVK-2012-1230</u>
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DATE:	<u>June 12, 2015</u>
EXPIRATION DATE:	<u>July 2, 2015</u>

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District is considering an application for a Department of the Army permit for the work described herein. Comments should be forwarded to the Vicksburg District, Attention: CEMVK-OD-F, 4155 Clay Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435.

Application also has been made to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services for a Water Quality Certification in accordance with La. R.S. 30.2074(A)(93), and Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 95-217). Additional information is on file with the above office, and may be inspected at any time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Copies may be obtained upon payment of cost of copying. Comments concerning the application can be filed with the Office of Environmental Services within 20 days of this notice to the following address: Office of Environmental Services, Post Office Box 4313, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4313.

Law Requiring a Permit: Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), which applies to structures or work in navigable waters of the United States, and 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.

Name of Applicant:
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Name of Agent:
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Location of Work: Section 5, T16N-R12W, latitude 32.4016N, longitude -93.6211W within the Red Chute drainage basin, in Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

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 for the discharge of dredged and/or fill material into wetlands and other waters of the United States associated with the mechanized land clearing and construction of a boat launch and a residential development area in Bossier Parish, Louisiana. The applicant's stated purpose is to develop a residential area along with a private boat launch for residents only.

Phase 1 would consist of the construction of a private boat launch with a paved parking area and dredging. The boat launch would include a six-inch concrete slab and would be approximately 60 feet x 15 feet with a 12:1 slope. A 182-foot x 115-foot paved parking area would be constructed north of the boat launch. A 1,300-foot silt fence would be installed temporarily during construction of the boat launch. In addition to the construction of the boat launch, an area adjacent to an existing oxbow would be dredged. The dredging would occur on the western property line, north for approximately 450 feet. The new dredged area would be approximately 7 to 8 feet deep and would have 3:1 side slopes. The dredged material would be used as fill on the lots between the levee and oxbow.

Phase 2 would consist of a residential development area. The proposed Charleston Harbor would be constructed on a 16-acre parcel of land. The development would be comprised of approximately 35 single-family residential house lots, associated roads/streets, and utilities as a planned residential development. Approximately 24 lots varying in sizes from 1-2 acres would be located on the east side of the levee. There would be approximately 11 lots located on the river side of the levee, varying in sizes of 0.4-0.7 acres. All 35 homes, infrastructure, and drainage would be built at the same time. The road would include curb and gutter with asphalt driving surface and underground drainage. The utilities, primarily electric, would be aerial service to each home. The development would have green space and park areas for use by the residents.

The total amount of wetlands impacted by the project would be approximately 1.26 acres of scrub-shrub wetlands. Approximately 26,000 cubic yards of dredged material would be used as fill for the development. The applicant has proposed to mitigate for the unavoidable loss of wetland functions and values by purchasing credits from an approved mitigation bank.

Vegetation growing in the wetland area includes bushy bluestem, yellow sedge bluestem, Chinese privet, American sweet gum, and rattlebush. Hydric soil within this project consists of Latanier clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes, rarely flooded and Caplis very fine sandy loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes.

The placement of dredged and/or fill material in waters of the United States associated with the mechanized land clearing and residential development requires a Department of the Army Permit.

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: Currently this office is coordinating with the State Historic Preservation Office, Federally recognized Tribes and other interested parties regarding potential effects to historic properties that could result from the proposed activity.

Endangered Species: Our initial finding is that the proposed work would not affect the following endangered species or their critical habitats: Red-cockaded woodpecker, Least tern, Sprague's pipit, Pallid sturgeon, Louisiana black bear, and Northern long-eared bat. This proposal is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and any comments regarding endangered species or their critical habitat would be addressed in our evaluation of the described work.

Flood Plain: In accordance with 44 CFR Part 60 (Flood Plain Management and Use), participating communities are required to review all proposed development to determine if a flood plain development permit is required. Flood plain administrators should review the proposed development described in this public notice and apprise this office of any flood plain development permit requirements.

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>, and click on ORM Permit Decisions under Program Links.

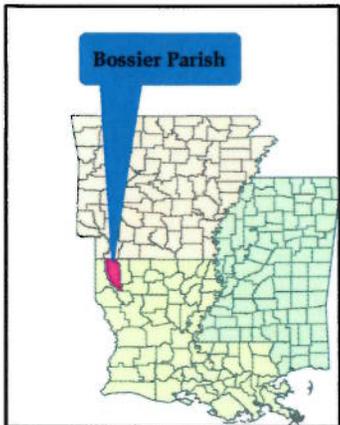


**Randel V. Holder
Chief, Evaluation Section
Regulatory Branch**



Legend

-  Future Excavation/1.88ac
-  Project Boundary
-  Other Waters/3.0ac
-  Wetlands/1.26ac



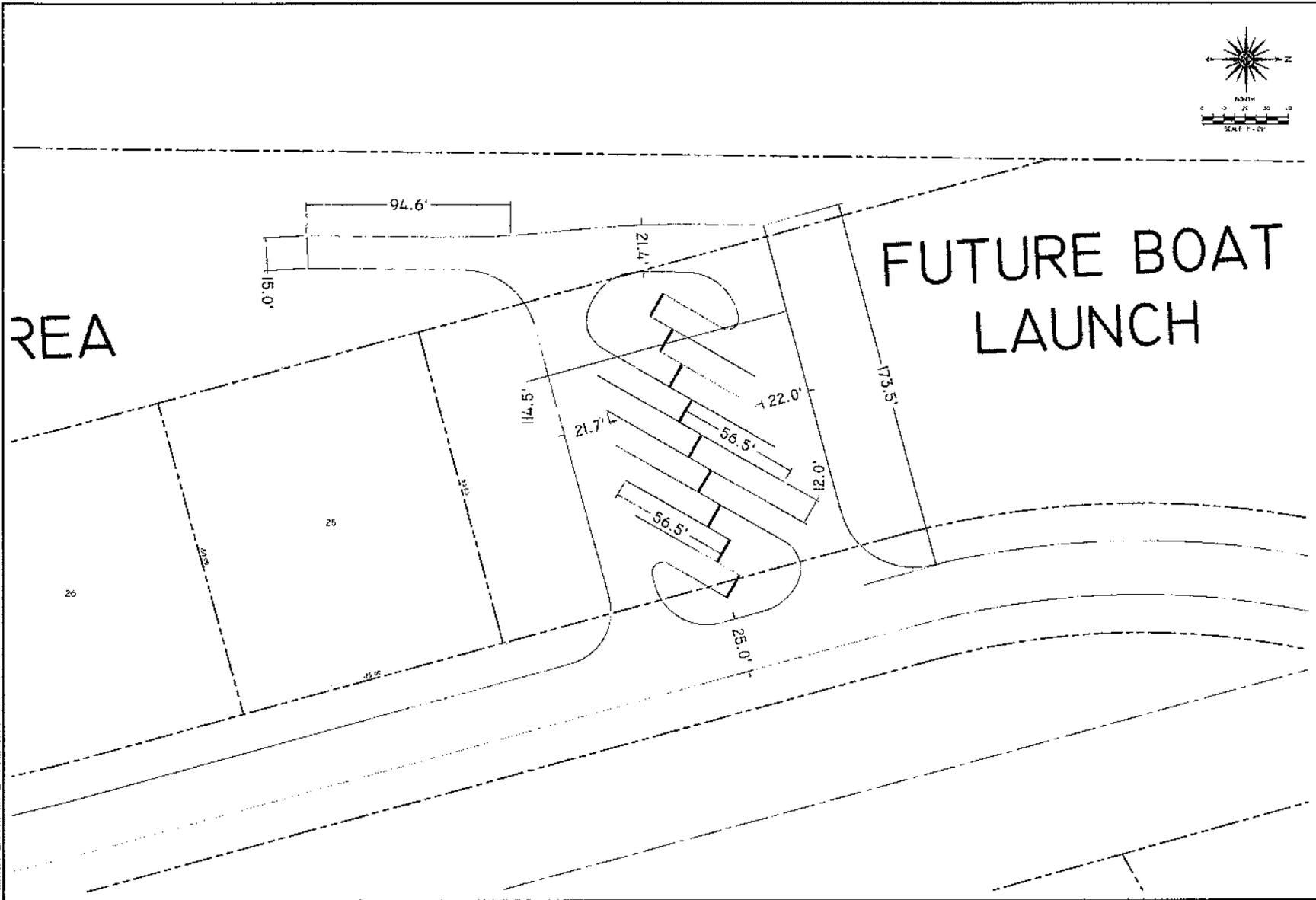
May 18, 2015
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 Applicant:
 Raley and Associates
 Proposed Work:
 Site Development
 Location:
 Section 5, T16N-R12W
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 Bossier Parish, LA
 Map Background:
 NAIP Aerial (2004)
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Jurisdictional Determination
 Prepared by:
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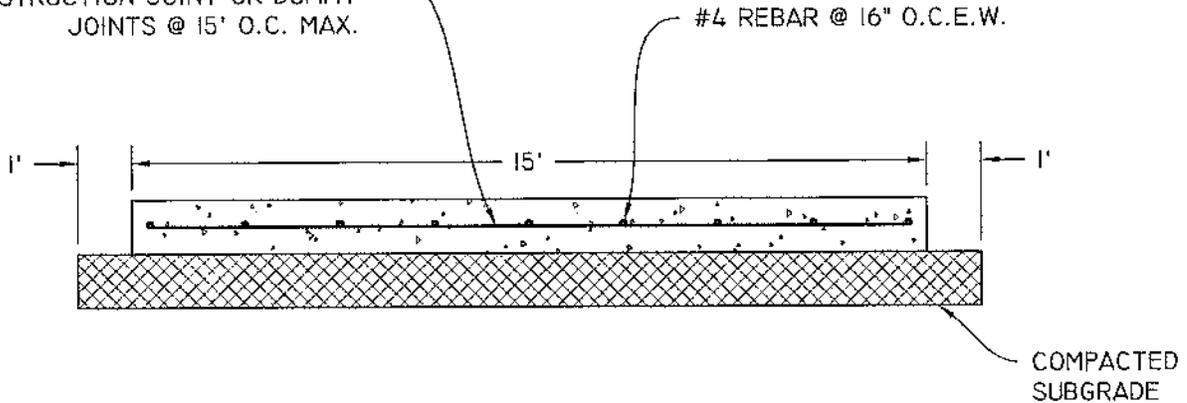
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DATE: 6/8/2015
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 JRC: 13084
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MR BURL BOSWELL
 CHARLESTON HARBOR OXBOW DREDGING

6" THICK CONCRETE (3500 PSI MIN.)
NOTE: CONSTRUCTION JOINT OR DUMMY
JOINTS @ 15' O.C. MAX.



BOAT LAUNCH TYPICAL SECTION

N.T.S.

NOTE:
INSTALL TRANSVERSE
EXPANSION JOINT @ 60' O.C. MAX.



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