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# Public Notice

<b>APPLICATION NO.:</b>	<b>SHC-MVK-2014-1028</b>
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<b>DATE:</b>	<b>March 3, 2015</b>
<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b>	<b>March 24, 2015</b>

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 10385, Jackson, Mississippi 39289-0385, 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.

Name of Applicant:  
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United Insulated Structures Corporation  
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Name of Agent:  
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Location of Work: Section 35, T6N-R6E, latitude 32.312865°, longitude -89.660237°, within the Middle Pearl-Strong drainage basin, Scott 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 for the discharge of dredged and/or fill material into waters, including wetlands of the United States in Scott County, Mississippi. The applicant proposes to construct two concrete parking lots.

The applicant's stated purpose of this project is to accommodate the Koch Foods facility and its need for additional parking for vehicles utilized by Koch Foods' employees and contractors. The additional parking would alleviate traffic congestion and limited parking that the site is currently experiencing. The construction would include clearing and grubbing, placement of fill material, piping, excavations and regrading in order to install two parking lots at this site.

Fill material would be placed in jurisdictional wetlands and waters as part of the foundation work for the proposed development. The development is proposing to fill 0.35 acres of wetlands, 832 LF of perennial stream, 194 LF of ephemeral drain, and pipe approximately 240 LF of perennial stream for the purposes of providing additional parking areas. BMPs will be implemented as erosion control.

Dominant vegetation within the forested wetlands consists of sweetgum, water oak, and tuliptree. Dominant vegetation within the herbaceous and scrub-shrub wetland consists of eastern baccharis, loblolly pine, marsh flat sedge, and lamprush. The soil within the project site consists of Smithdale fine sandy loam.

A levee will be constructed on the western side of the westernmost parking lot. The levee will serve as a protective barrier to avoid offsite wetlands. To compensate for the unavoidable impacts to wetlands (on-site), in-kind mitigation credits would be purchased from an approved wetland mitigation bank within the same watershed as the impact site.

The placement of dredged and/or fill material in waters, including wetlands of the United States 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:** The Regulatory Archaeologist has reviewed the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, 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: An historic properties investigation has been conducted within the permit area. No sites determined eligible for or listed on the National Register of Historic Places are within the permit area or affected area. Copies of this public notice have been sent to the State Historic Preservation Officer, Federally Recognized Tribes, and other interested parties for comment on 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, Louisiana black bear, and Ringed map turtle. 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.

**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.

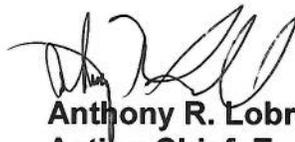
**Evaluation Factors:** The decision whether or not to issue a permit will be based upon an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which 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

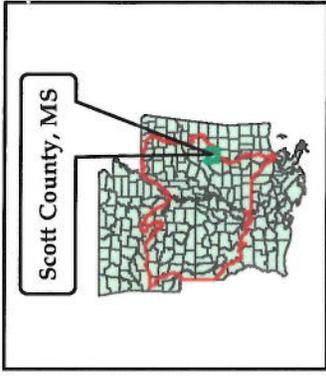
us determine the amount and type of mitigation necessary. This information will be used in our Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing.

**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.



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12 January 2015  
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 Pickering Firm, Incorporated  
 Proposed Koch Foods  
 Parking Lot Expansion Project  
 Scott County, MS  
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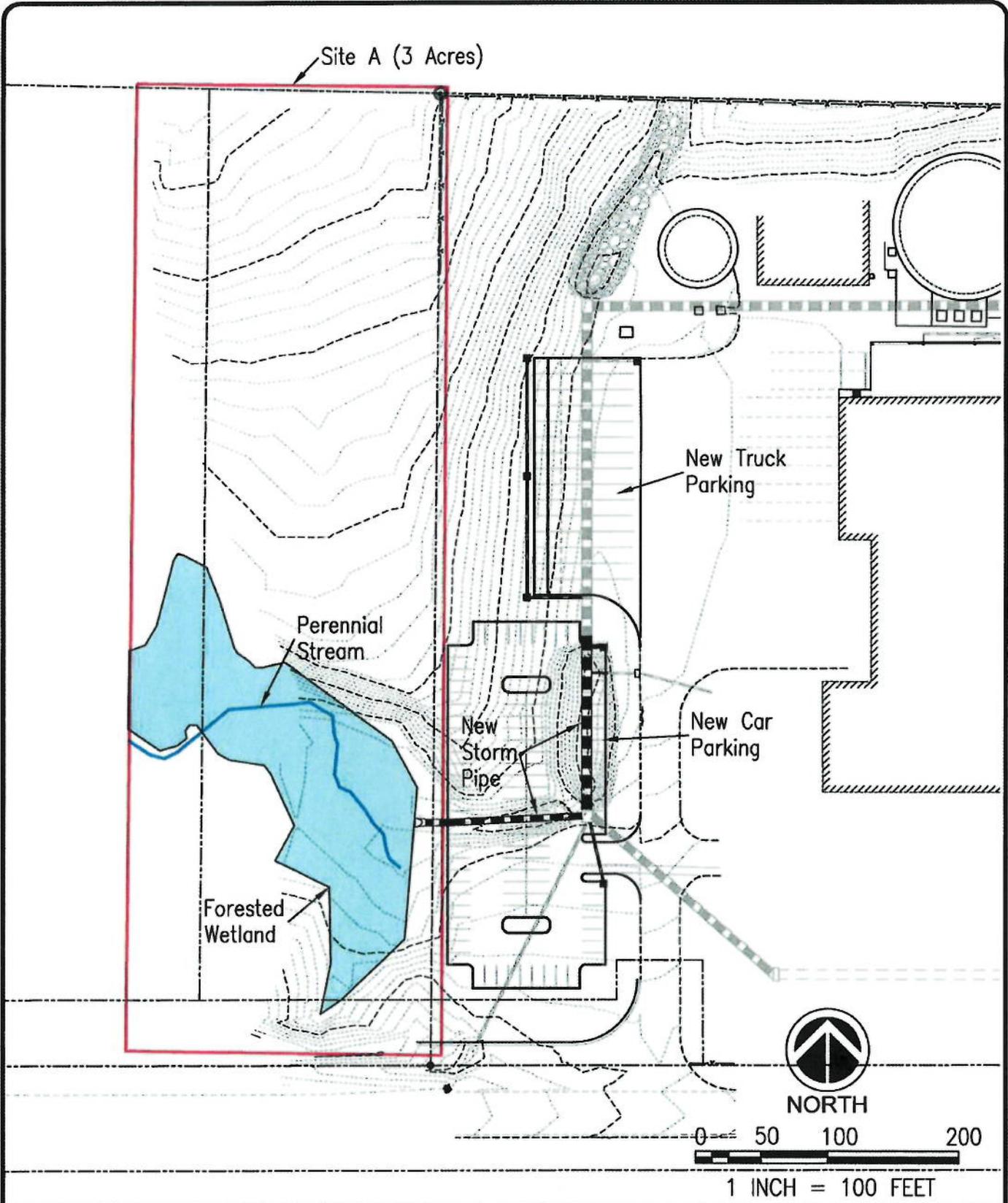
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**Legend**

- Emergent Wetland (0.12 Acre)
- Forested Wetland ( 7.5 Acre)
- Scrub-Shrub Wetland (.23 Acre)
- NRPW/Ephemeral (.03 Acre)
- Inland (11.1 Acre)
- RPDW/Perennial ( 21 Acre)

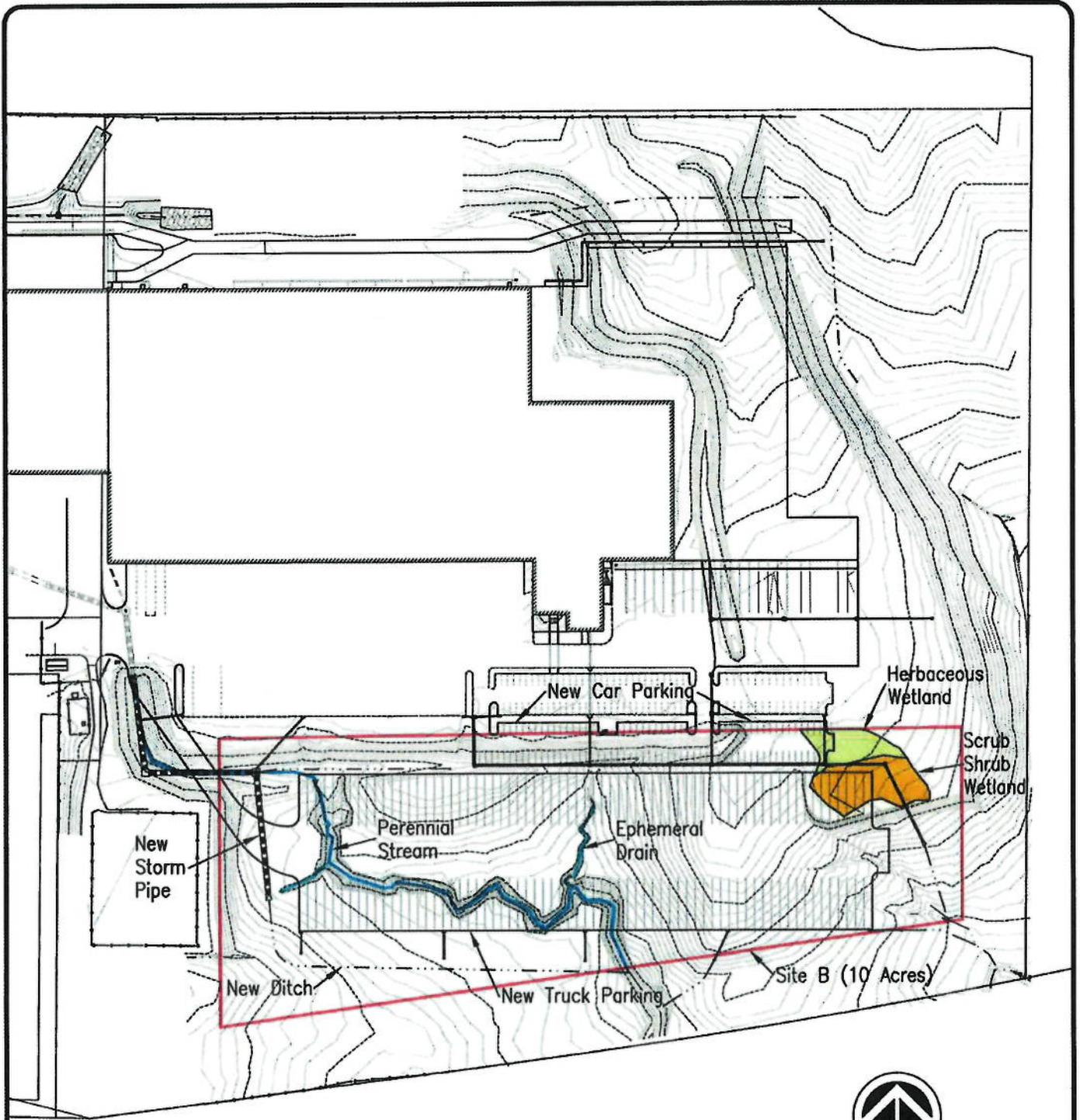
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### Wetlands Map Site A

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### Wetlands Map Site B

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