



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**

Vicksburg District
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Public Notice

APPLICATION NO.:	MVK-2019-879
EVALUATOR:	Ms. Samantha Thompson
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DATE:	February 18, 2022
EXPIRATION DATE:	March 10, 2022

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-RD, 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 and/or fill material into waters of the United States.

Name of Applicant:
Mr. Justin McKenzie
City of Columbia
201 Second Street
Columbia, Mississippi 39429

Name of Agent:
Mr. Bart Pittman
Pittman Environmental Services, LLC
Post Office 1926
Purvis, Mississippi 39475

Location of Work: Sections 4, T3N- R18W, Latitude 31.246567, Longitude -89.819283, within the Lower Pearl Drainage Basin (8-digit USGS HUC 03180004), Marion 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 regulated activities in jurisdictional wetlands and stream for purposes of constructing a recreational sports complex within the City of Columbia. The proposed project area is approximately 50 acres and would allow for the construction of a tennis court, 3 soccer fields, and 2 associated parking lots.

Approximately 620 linear feet of ephemeral stream and 0.6 acre of emergent wetlands would be filled by the proposed project. The applicant proposes to purchase compensatory mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank which services the project's 8-digit HUC service area.

The dominant vegetation within the project consists of water oak, willow oak, Chinese privet, slender woodoats, Japanese privet, longleaf woodoats, roundleaf greenbriar, cross vines, muscadine, Eastern baccharis, American pokeweed, loblolly pine, sweet gum, Northern dewberry, and velvet panicum. Soils within the project area consists of Cahaba fine sandy loam, Ruston sandy loam, Savannah fine sandy loam, Smithdale fine sandy loam, and Stough fine sandy loam.

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.

Endangered Species: Threatened and Endangered Species for this area include the Wood Stork, Black Pinesnake, Gopher Tortoise, and Gulf Sturgeon. 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 determined that the proposed activity would have no effect on any of the listed species.

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 located within 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.

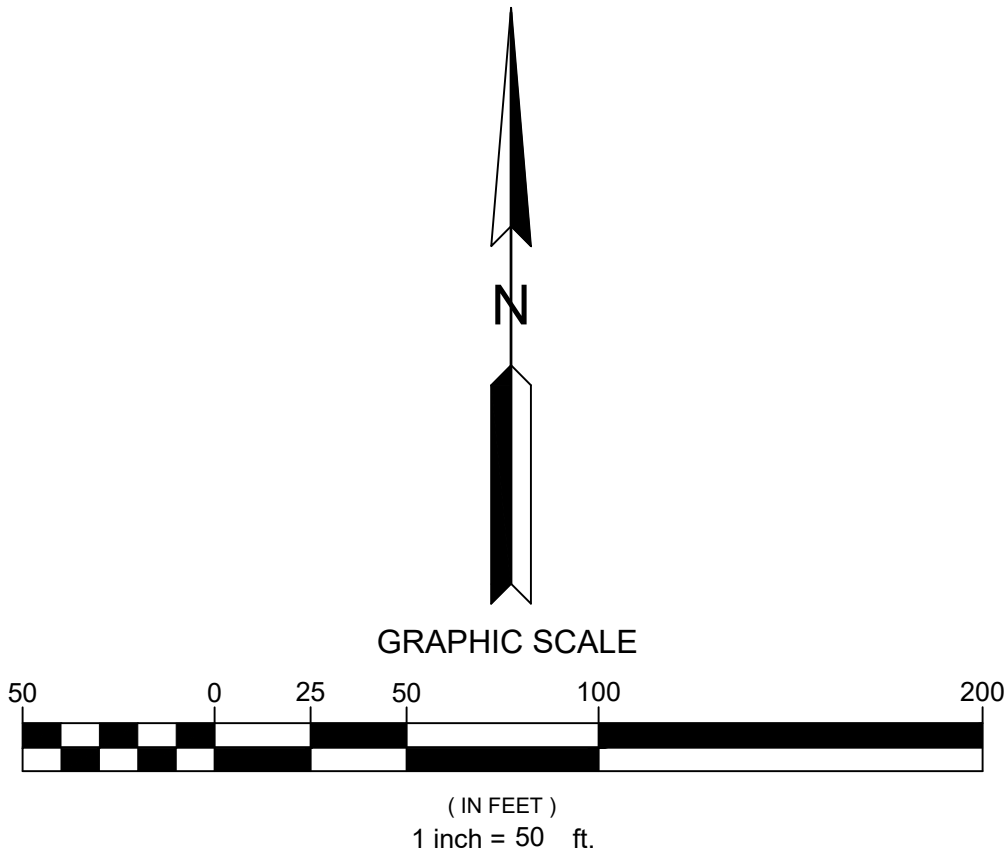
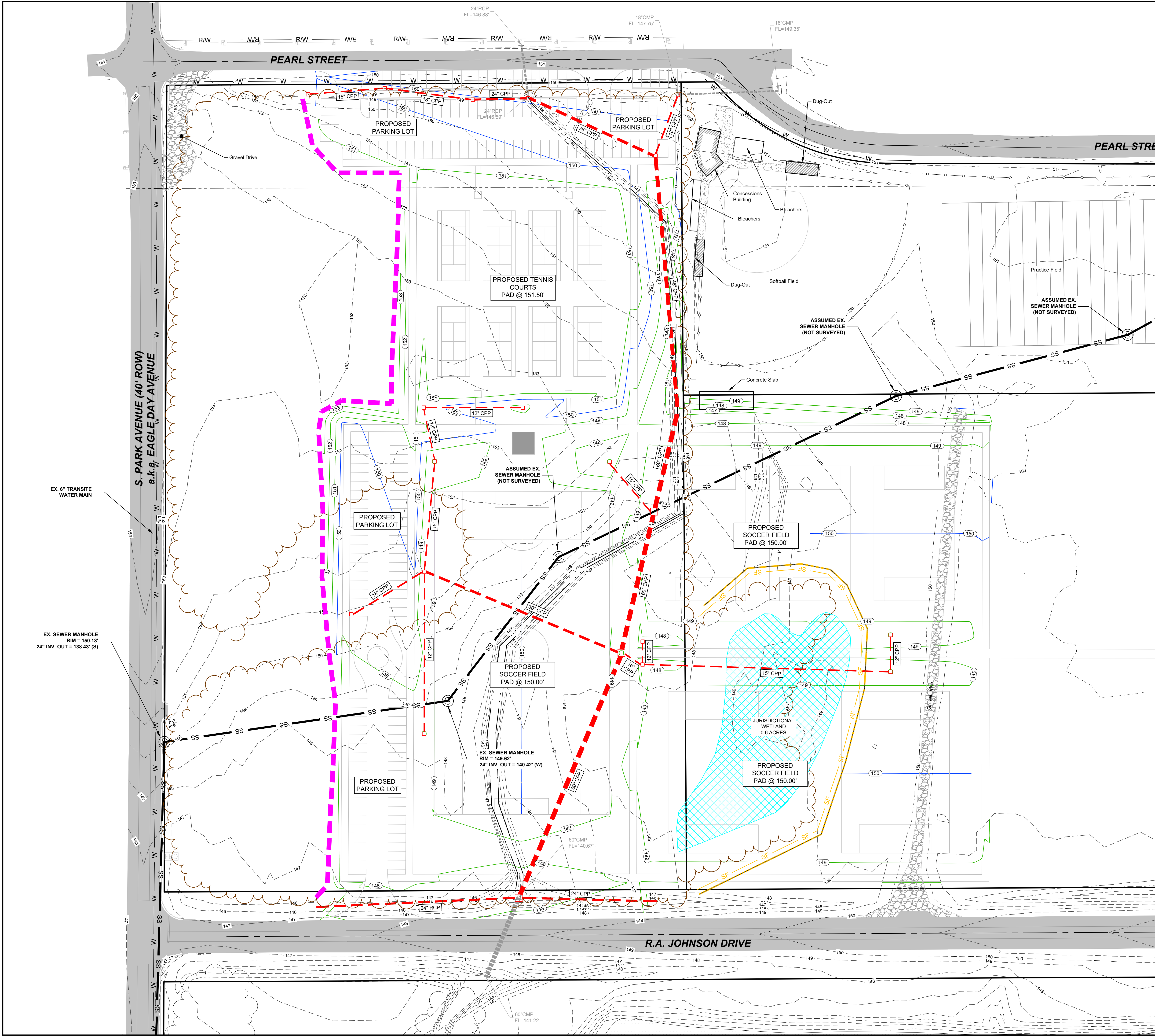
Public Involvement: The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties. These comments will be used to evaluate the impacts of this project. All comments will be considered and used to help determine 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>.

Jennifer G. Brown

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Team Lead, Permit and Evaluation Branch
Regulatory Division



EARTHWORK QUANTITIES (ENTIRE PROJECT)

CUT: 11,715 CUBIC YARDS
FILL: 12,835 CUBIC YARDS

EARTHWORK QUANTITIES (INSIDE JD WETLAND)

CUT: 110 CUBIC YARDS
FILL: 570 CUBIC YARDS

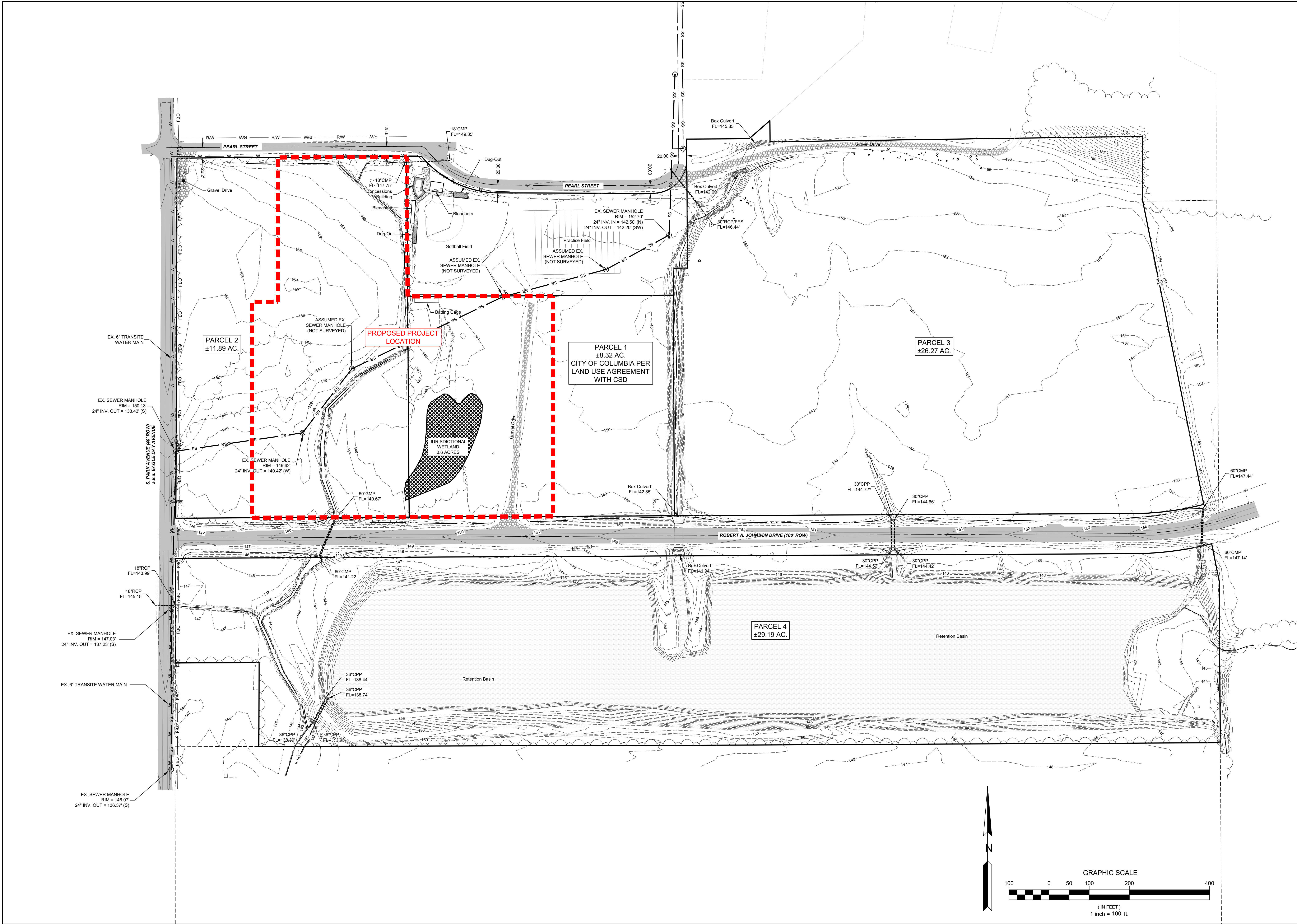
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	PROPOSED GROUND MAJOR CONTOUR
	EXISTING DITCH
	EXISTING SILT FENCE WITH WATTLES
	EXISTING WATER MAIN
	PROPOSED CLEARING LIMITS
	PROPOSED UNDERGROUND STORM DRAIN

Drawn By:	B. WHITE
Checked By:	J. DUNGAN
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CITY OF COLUMBIA, MS R.A. JOHNSON DRIVE SPORTS COMPLEX ROUGH GRADING & DRAINAGE - PHASE II COLUMBIA, MISSISSIPPI *****	SITE PLAN
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- Isolated Wetland (0.8 Acre)
- Jurisdictional Other Waters (NRPW) (620')
- Jurisdictional Other Waters (RPW) (850')
- Jurisdictional Wetland (0.6 Acre)
- Boundary

Scale: 1:4,000

Marion County, MS



Enclosure 1

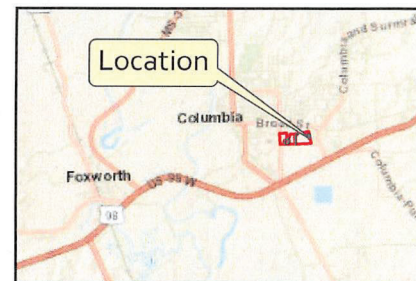
**19 FEBRUARY
2020**

Environmental Management
Services, Inc. City of Columbia
Proposed Sports Complex Site
Marion County, MS

**Approved/Preliminary
Jurisdictional Determination**

Jeremy Stokes

Location



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