



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**

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

APPLICATION NO.:	MVK-2019-810
EVALUATOR:	Ms. Kristi Hall
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DATE:	January 16, 2020
EXPIRATION DATE:	February 6,2020

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, LA 70821-4313.

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:
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Environmental Group, LLC
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Location of Work: Section 16, T17N- R4E, Latitude 32.4619, Longitude -92.0686, within the Youngs Bayou watershed (immediate) part of the Boeuf-Tensas River Drainage Basin (8-digit USGS 08050001), Ouachita 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 to conduct regulated activities in jurisdictional wetlands for the purpose of constructing a new wastewater treatment facility including ponds, levees, and process structures (Figure 3). This will require approximately 7,753 cubic yards of native fill in wetlands for levees and process structure foundations. The proposed project would fill 1.53 acres of forested wetlands.

The vegetative communities within the project area are dominated by Alligator clay and Wrightsville silt loam, both considered hydric according to the Natural Resource Conservation Service. Vegetation in wetland areas was dominated by Willow oak, American elm, Pignut hickory, and sedges.

The applicant proposes to mitigate for the unavoidable loss of jurisdictional impacts through the purchase of credits from a commercial mitigation bank, which services the project area or permittee responsible 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 following is current knowledge of the presence or absence of historic properties and the effects of the proposed undertaking upon these properties. Currently this office is coordinating with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Federally-recognized Tribes, and other interested parties regarding potential effects to historic properties that could result from the proposed activity.

Endangered Species: Based on the Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species (SLOPES) as signed on December 1, 2014 between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, it has been determined that the proposed activity will not affect the Red-cockaded woodpecker. We have determined that this project may affect the Northern-long eared bat, but that any resulting incidental take of the NLEB is not

prohibited by the final 4(d) rule.

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 completely located outside 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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Regulatory Branch**

Project Site, Ouachita Parish, LA (PJD) Site 1



Legend

-  Project Boundary
-  Forested Wetland
-  Emergent Wetland
-  Other Waters of the U.S.

THERE ARE JURISDICTIONAL WATERS OF THE U.S. IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE PROPOSED PROJECT BOUNDARY, THUS A PERMIT IS REQUIRED



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Enclosure 1

October 28, 2019

Permit Required

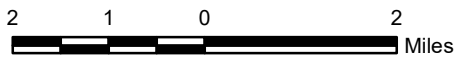
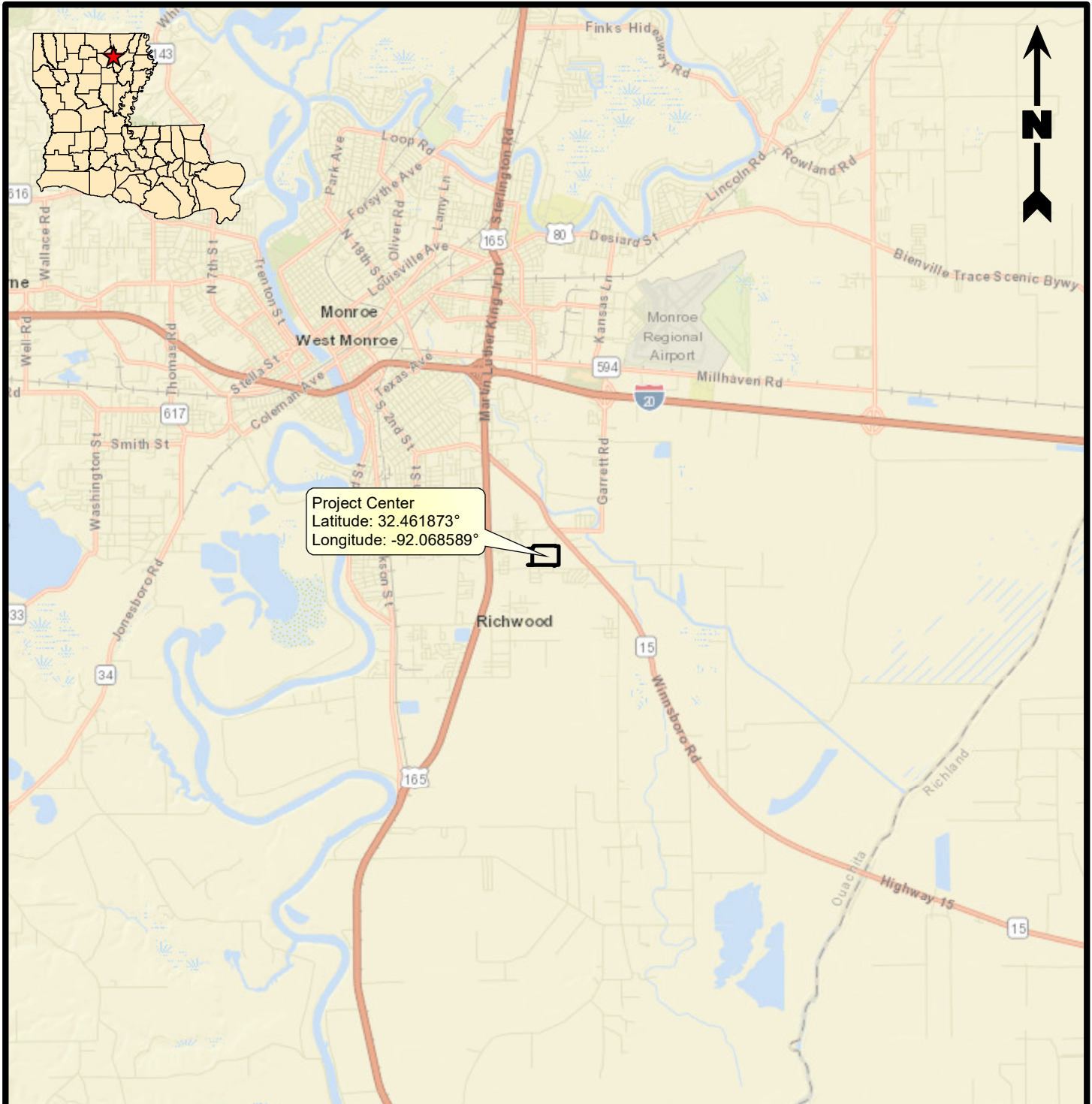
Aerial Imagery:
ESRI World Imagery

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GPS coordinates:
32.461997, -92.0687
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Lakeshore, Louisiana
Request for Wetland Determination
Ouachita Parish, Louisiana



Legend

Project Area (62.55 Acres)

Reference

Base map comprised of ESRI StreetMap USA data.

Vicinity Map

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Ouachita Parish, Louisiana

Greater Ouachita Water Company
Proposed Mid-South Wastewater Treatment Plant

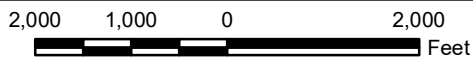
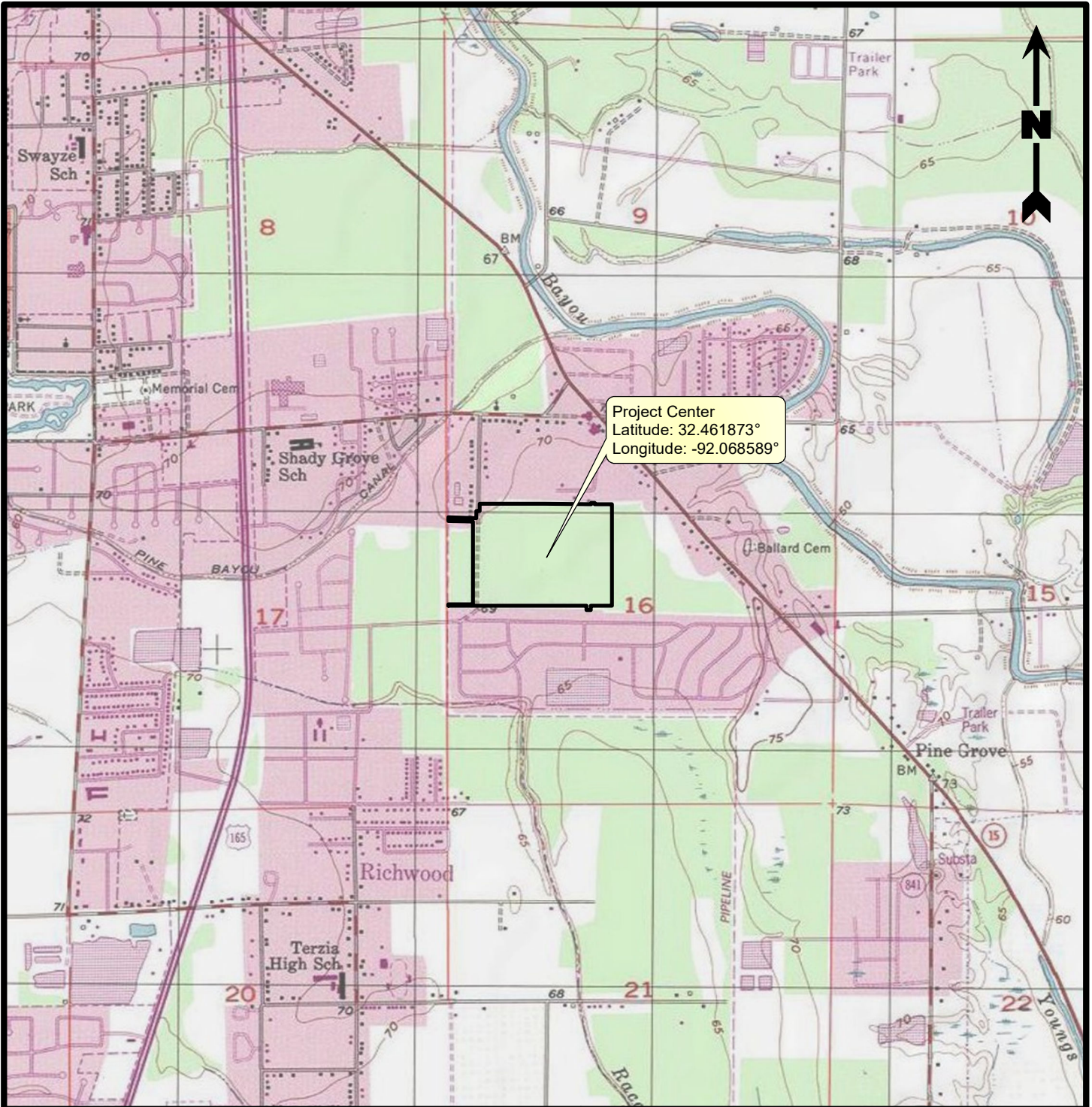


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Figure



Legend

 Project Area (62.55 Acres)

Reference

Base map comprised of United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute topographic map, "Monroe South, LA".

Site Location Map

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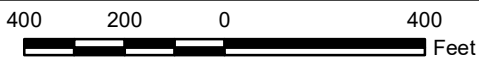
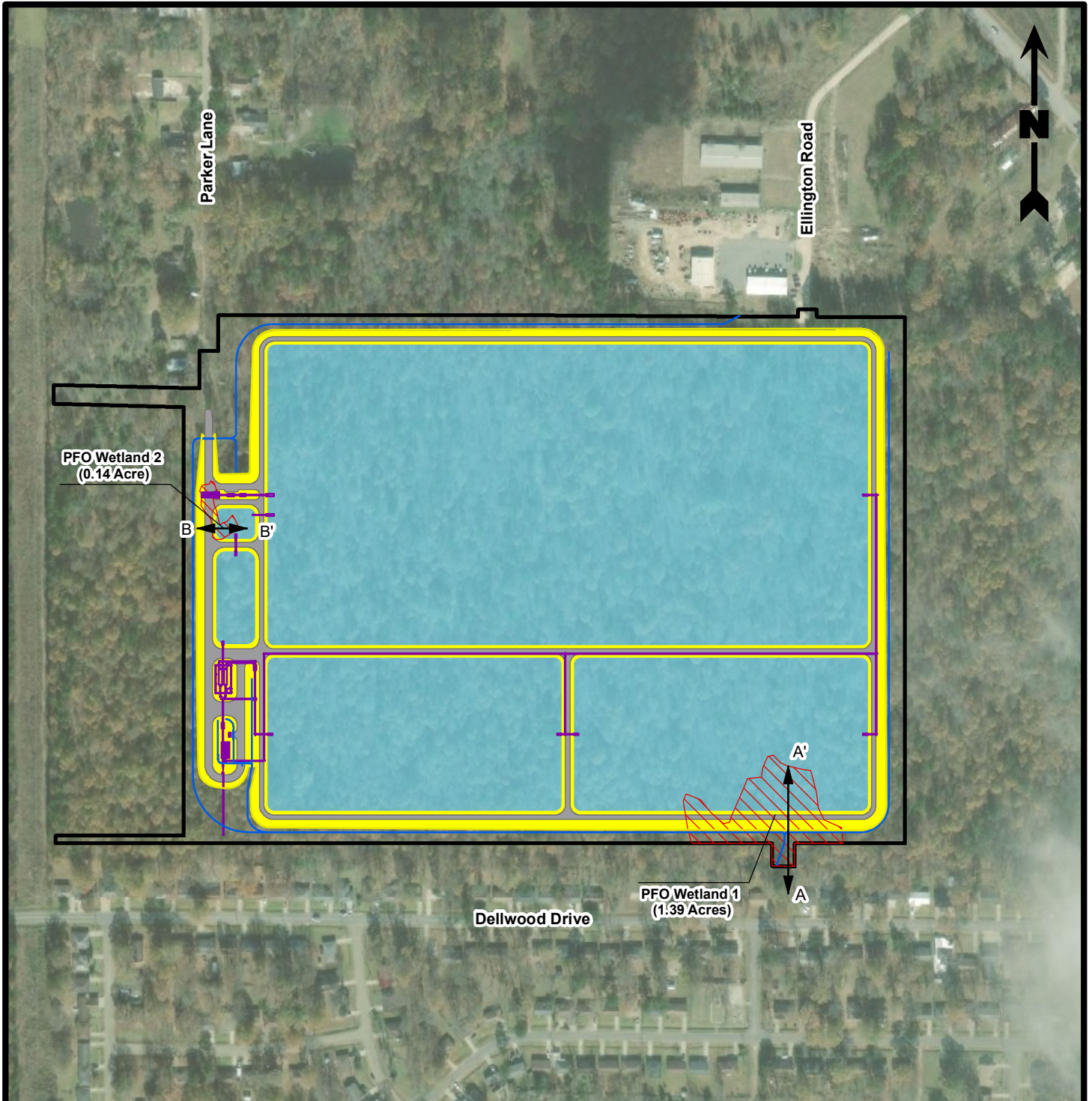
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Legend

- Project Area (62.55 Acres)
- Impacted Wetlands (1.53 Acres)
- Proposed Road
- Proposed Pond
- Proposed Levee
- Proposed Drainage
- Proposed Process Structure
- Cross Section Line

Reference

Base map comprised of ESRI's World Imagery exported 10/1/19.

Aerial Photograph

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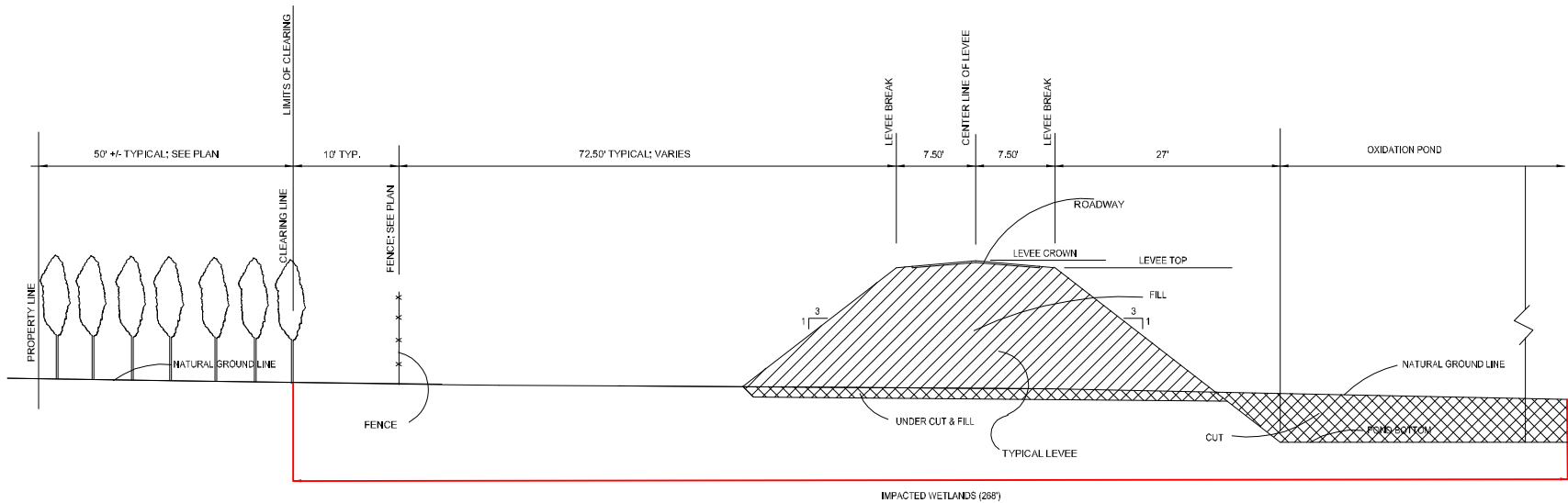


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Providence Engineering and Environmental Group LLC



Cross Section A-A'

Not to Scale

Cross Section A-A'

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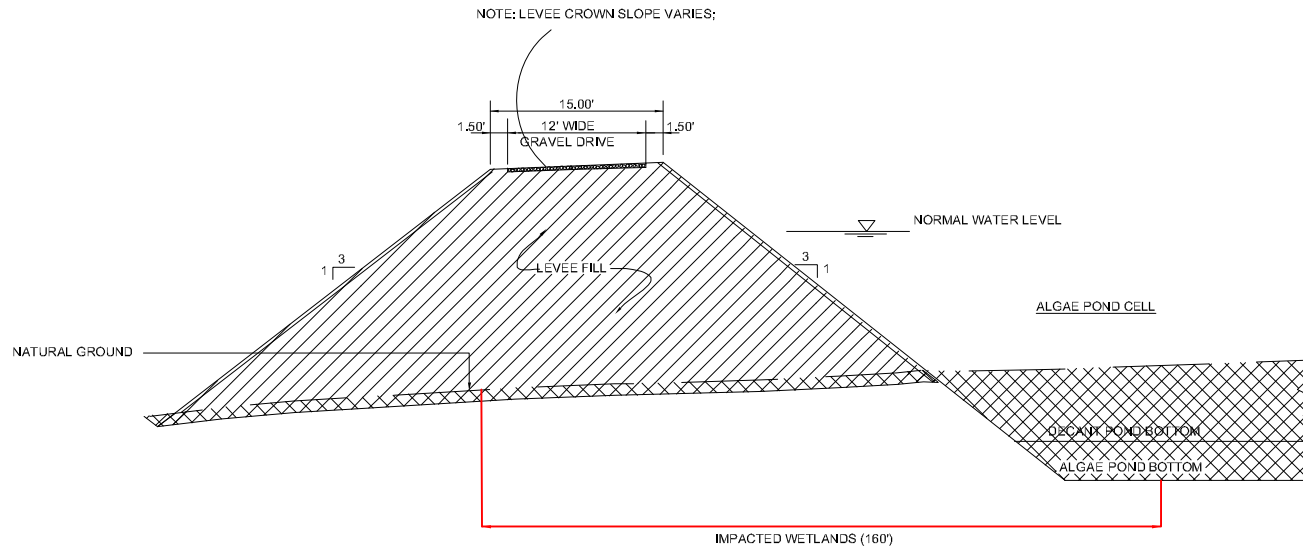
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Cross Section B-B'

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Cross Section B-B'

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