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# PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant:  
Mr. Michael Norton  
DeSoto Parish Police Jury

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**Vicksburg District**  
**Permit Application No. MVK-2006-00224**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Vicksburg District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) or (Corps) has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1344) and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. §403). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

**APPLICANT:** Mr. Michael Norton  
DeSoto Parish Police Jury  
101 Franklin Street  
Mansfield, Louisiana 71052

**AGENT:** Mr. Matt Stowers  
Headwaters, Incorporated  
167 Orchard Lane  
Madison, Louisiana 39110

**WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** The project would affect waters of the United States (WOTUS) associated with the Buffalo Bayou. The project/review area is located in Section 4, Township 12N, Range 12W, at Latitude 32.059819 and Longitude -93.600662 in DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

**EXISTING CONDITIONS:** The proposed project would help establish a baseline historical perspective of the property and would highlight the physical attributes of the property, primary drainage patterns, and the physical location of any suspected wetland areas or waters present on the property. The property has been primarily undeveloped forestlands with portions along the northern boundary being previously utilized for agricultural purposes, specifically hay production and cattle grazing. The site is currently occupied by mixed hardwood forests with an open field used as part of the adjacent landfill operation within the central portion of the property.

## **PROJECT PURPOSE:**

**Basic:** The Mundy Landfill proposes to build a new waste disposal area, and the DeSoto Parish Police Jury proposes to increase the amount of waste the landfill can take in over the next 10 years.

**Overall:** The Mundy Landfill is proposing the construction of a new waste disposal cell, and the DeSoto Parish Police Jury (DPPJ) is proposing to adjust waste intake rates in line with the projected increase in waste disposal capacity over the next decade.

**PROPOSED WORK:** The Mundy Landfill is proposing construction of a new Type I/II/III waste disposal cell (Cell XI) at the Mundy Landfill, and the DeSoto Parish Police Jury (DPPJ) is proposing to increase the maximum permitted waste intake rates to ensure the existing rates are not exceeded during the next 10-year permit period. The proposed Cell XI would be located west of the existing landfill site.

The proposed project would include the excavation of approximately 54 acres to be utilized for covering and compacting the incoming waste on a timely basis. The project area would provide approximately 1,456,500 cubic yards of additional soil to be utilized on the existing facility and expand the life of the existing permitted facility by an additional 28 months, therefore, allowing the current residents of the Parish to continue to dispose of municipal solid waste at the Mundy Landfill without being charged tipping fees.

The proposed project would impact 3.58 acres of forested wetlands and 0.33 acres of emergent wetlands. Efforts would be in place to minimize soil disturbance. Upon completion of the construction activities, all exposed soils will be re-vegetated and stabilized to ensure that no secondary adverse impacts occur within adjacent wetland areas and/or receiving streams.

**AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION:** The applicant has provided the following information in support of efforts to avoid and/or minimize impacts on the aquatic environment: The applicant has attempted to minimize wetland impacts by designing the facility in areas of the property that are mostly occupied by uplands.

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:** To compensate for the unavoidable loss of wetlands as a result of the project activities, the applicant has proposed to purchase mitigation credits from an approved USACE mitigation bank.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** The Corps is evaluating the undertaking for effects to historic properties as required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This public notice serves to inform the public of the proposed undertaking and invites comments including those from local, state, and federal government agencies with respect to historic resources. Our final determination relative to historic resource impacts may be subject to additional coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally recognized tribes, and other interested parties. The District Engineer's final eligibility and effect determination will be made with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The Corps has performed an initial review of the application utilizing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project will not affect any listed species or critical habitat:

Tricolored Bat - Proposed threatened, no jeopardy  
Alligator Snapping Turtle - Proposed threatened, no jeopardy  
Monarch Butterfly - Proposed threatened, no jeopardy

Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), any required consultation with the service(s) will be conducted in accordance with 50 CFR part 402.

The US Army Corps of Engineers is the lead federal agency for ESA consultation for the proposed action. Any required consultation will be completed by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

This notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species or critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the proposed activity.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:** Pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996, the Corps reviewed the project area, examined information provided by the applicant, and consulted available species information.

The Corps has determined the proposal would have no effect on any Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) [no EFH identified at the location]. Therefore, no consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service on EFH as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996 is required.

**NAVIGATION:** The proposed activity is not located in the vicinity of a federal navigation channel.

**SECTION 408:** The applicant will not require permission under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 408) because the activity, in whole or in part, would not alter, occupy, or use a Corps Civil Works project.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** Water Quality Certification may be required by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality to certify that the described work will comply with the state's water quality standards and effluent limitations before a permit is issued from the Corps.

**NOTE:** This public notice is being issued based on information furnished by the applicant. This information has not been verified or evaluated to ensure compliance with laws and regulation governing the regulatory program. The geographic extent of aquatic resources within the proposed project area that either is, or is presumed to be, within the jurisdiction of the Corps has been verified by Corps personnel.

**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts 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 reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments.

All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics, esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act or the criteria established under authority of Section 102(a) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

**COMMENTS:** The Corps is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, Indian tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

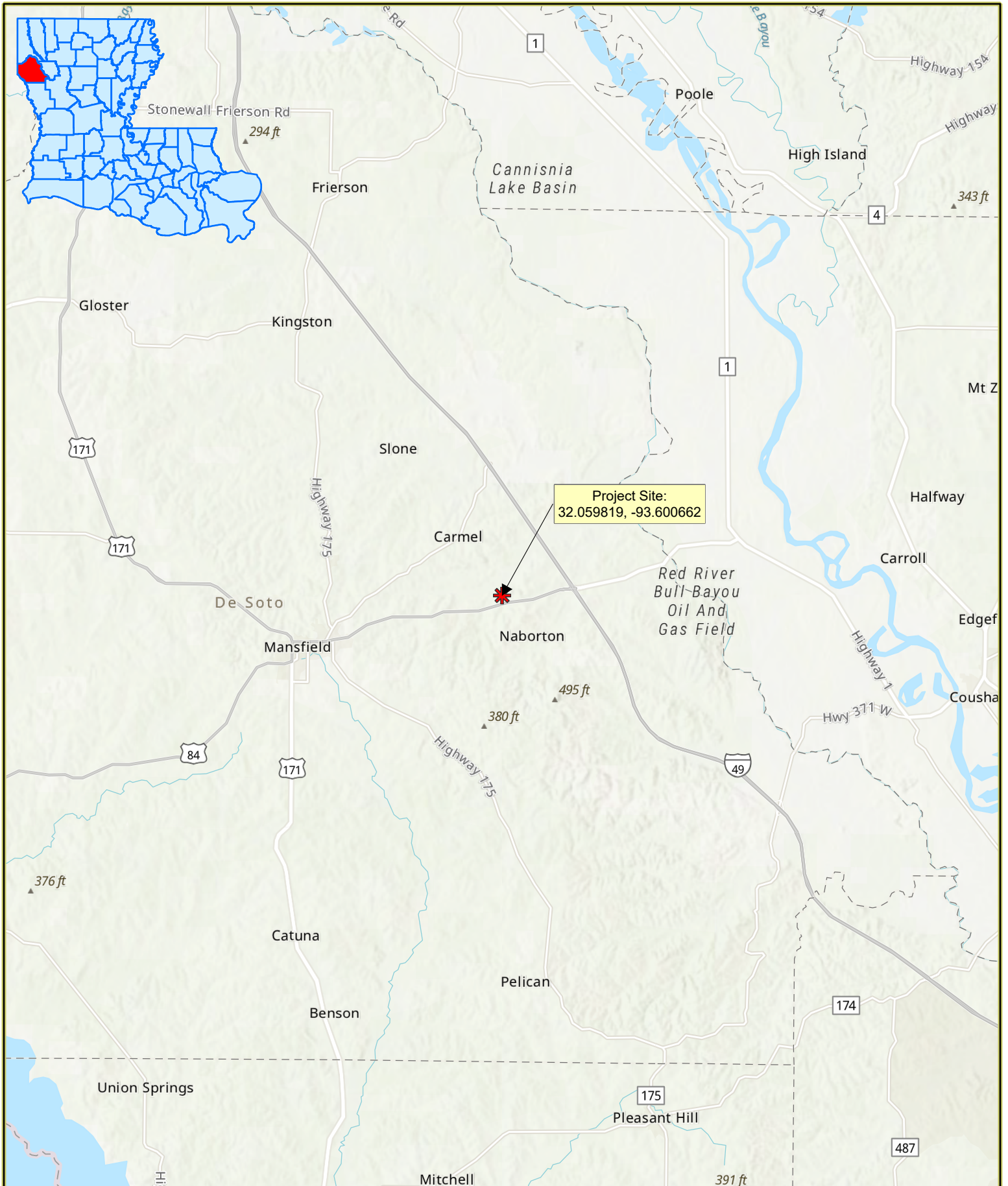
The Vicksburg District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until May 6, 2026. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to Tarmiko Graham at [Tarmiko.V.Graham@usace.army.mil](mailto:Tarmiko.V.Graham@usace.army.mil). Please refer to the permit application number in your comments.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.

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>.

*William L. Pigott*

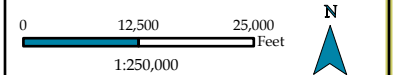
**Will Pigott  
Chief (Acting), Arkansas/Louisiana Branch  
Regulatory Division**



Project Site:  
32.059819, -93.600662



**DeSoto Parish Police Jury**  
**Mundy Landfill**  
 Section 4, Township 12N, Range 12W  
 DeSoto Parish, Louisiana  
[General Location Map](#)




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USGS Bayou Pierre Lake (LA) Quad Basemap

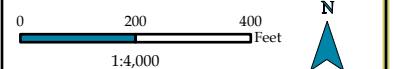
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 Project Boundary (± 55.78 ac)



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[Site Location Map](#)



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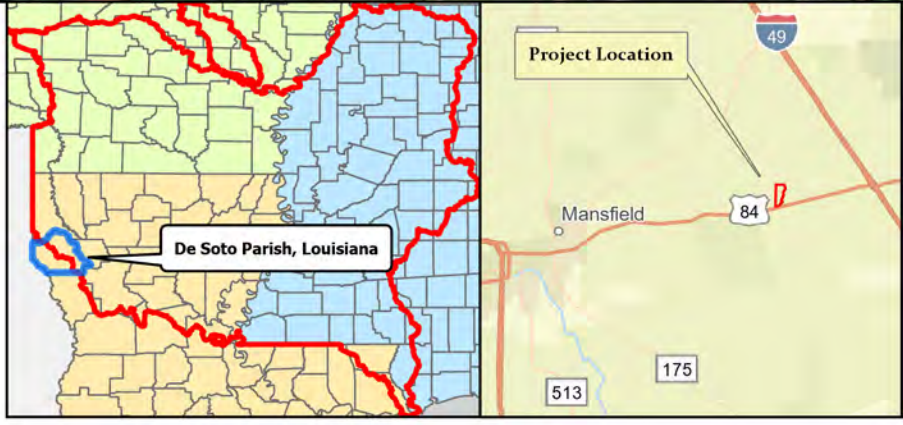
USDA NAIP 2021 Imagery Basemap

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- Legend**
- Wetlands**
- Jurisdictional (~ 2.90 Ac. )
  - Non-jurisdictional (~1.43 Ac. )
- Streams**
- Non-RPW Non-Jurisdictional (~172.95 In. ft. )
  - RPW Jurisdictional (~3983.96 In. ft. )
- Project Boundary



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**MVK-2006-224**  
Mundy Landfill Site. De Soto Parish,  
Louisiana











**Approved  
Jurisdictional Determination**

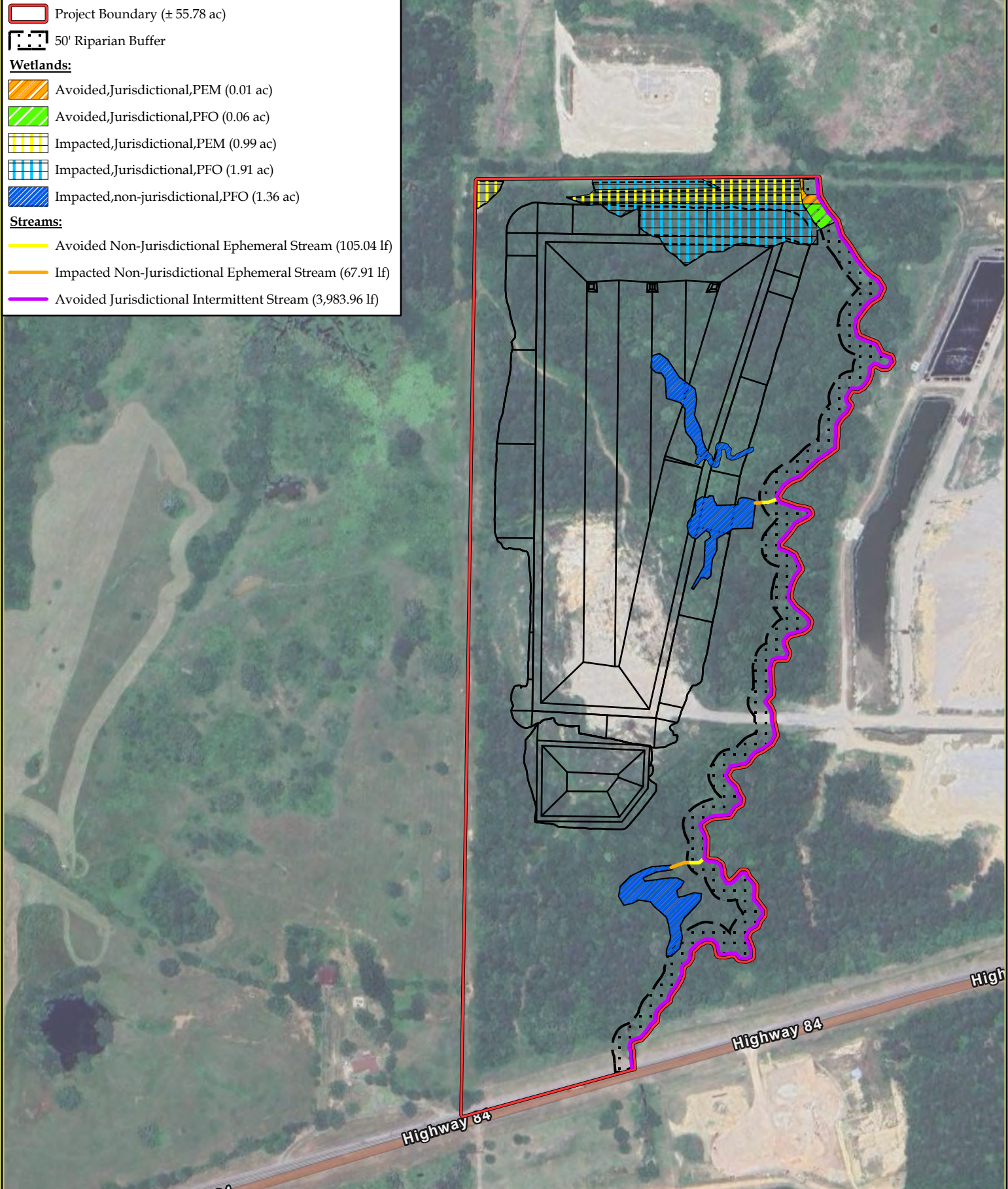
Prepared by  
**Jacob Breen**




**Regulatory Division  
Enforcement and  
Compliance Branch**



-  Project Boundary (± 55.78 ac)
-  50' Riparian Buffer
- Wetlands:**
-  Avoided, Jurisdictional, PEM (0.01 ac)
-  Avoided, Jurisdictional, PFO (0.06 ac)
-  Impacted, Jurisdictional, PEM (0.99 ac)
-  Impacted, Jurisdictional, PFO (1.91 ac)
-  Impacted, non-jurisdictional, PFO (1.36 ac)
- Streams:**
-  Avoided Non-Jurisdictional Ephemeral Stream (105.04 lf)
-  Impacted Non-Jurisdictional Ephemeral Stream (67.91 lf)
-  Avoided Jurisdictional Intermittent Stream (3,983.96 lf)



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**Alternative B Wetland Impact Map**

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1:4,500

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Google Satellite Imagery Basemap