



**US Army Corps
of Engineers.**

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

APPLICATION NO.:	MVK-2017-981
EVALUATOR:	Ms. Samantha Thompson
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DATE:	February 27, 2018
EXPIRATION DATE:	March 19, 2018

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, Mississippi 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 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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Location of Work: Section 5, T17N- R5E, Latitude 32.494552, Longitude -91.977311, within the Boeuf-Tensas Drainage Basin (8-digit USGS HUC 05080001), 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 waters for the purpose of constructing an industry railroad track that will provide access, transportation, and logistic support required by the DHL Supply Chain, North America facility. The applicant is proposing to construct an approximate 4,000 linear feet industry lead track along the north side of the existing mainline. In addition to the construction of the industry lead track, the applicant also proposes to construct two 1,500 linear feet unloading spur tracks to directly facilitate the transport of materials associated with the facilities operations. The applicant also proposes to install two new switch locations at each terminus, and to construct two switch pads adjacent to this location.

The project site contains a total of 0.77-acre of wetlands and 1,251.52 linear feet of other waters with ephemeral flow. The proposed project would fill the 0.77-acre of wetlands and culvert 200.0 linear feet of the other waters. Approximately 10,000 cubic yards of silty clay loam would be used for the project.

The vegetative communities within the project area are dominated by Water oak, Willow Oak, American elm, Buttonbush, Green ash, Lamp rush, Black willow Honey locust, Dwarf palmetto, Trumpet creeper, Ragweed, Marsh flat sedge, and Red vine. Soil within the project site consists of Perry clay soils.

The applicant proposes to mitigate for the unavoidable loss of jurisdictional impacts through the purchase of credits from a commercial mitigation bank that services the project area.

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, state 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. 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 have no effect on the Red-cockaded woodpecker and a may affect, but not likely to adversely affect the Northern long-eared bat. Currently, coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is being conducted as part of the permit review process for the Northern long-eared bat.

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 primarily located outside 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.

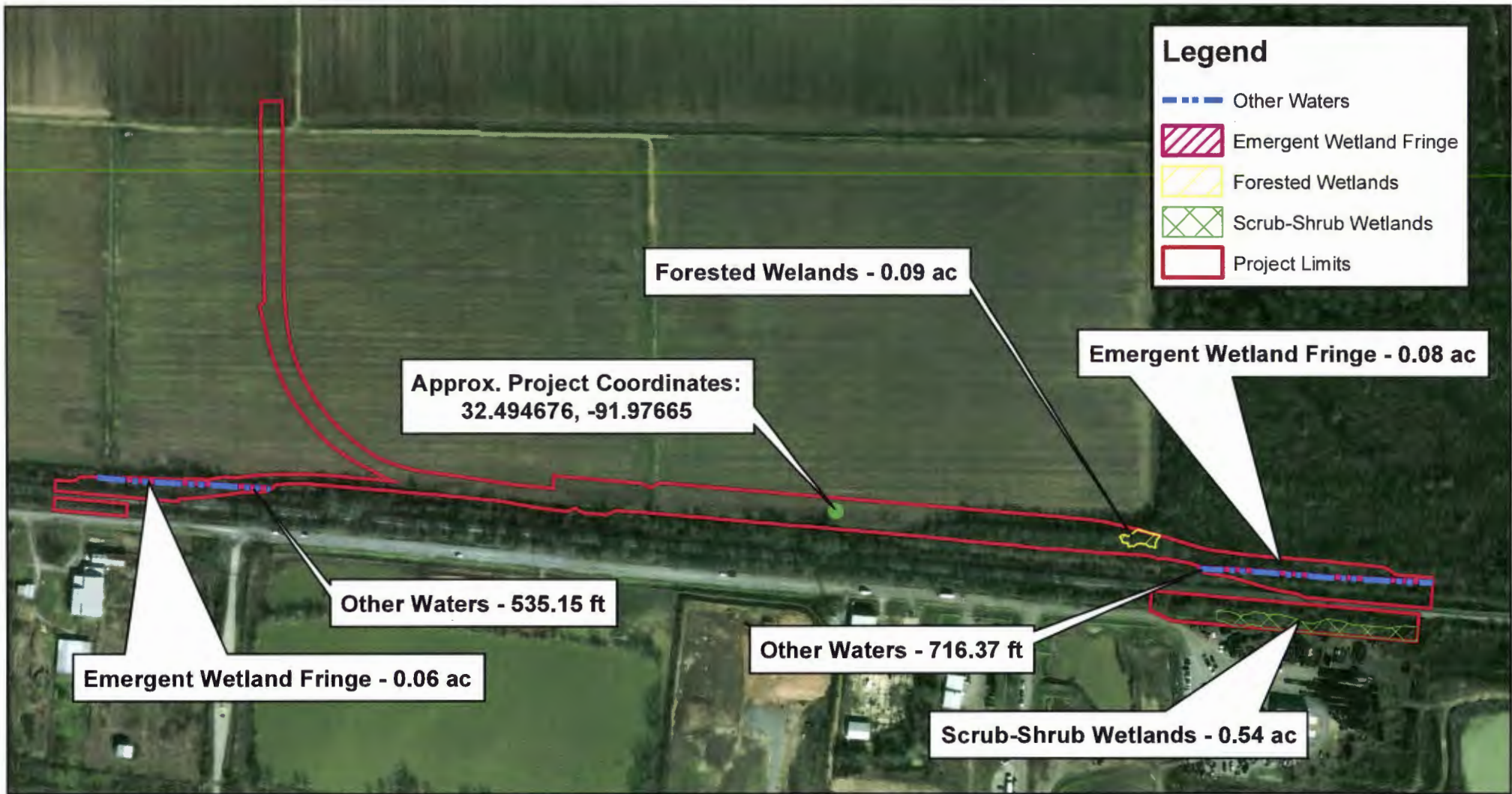
Public Involvement: The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties. These comments will be used to evaluate the impacts of this project. All comments will be considered and used to help determine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



February 15, 2018

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Proposed Work:
New Rail Spur

Location:
Section 5, T17N-R5E
Crew Lake, Quadrangle
Ouachita Parish, Louisiana

Map Background:
ESRI World Imagery

**Preliminary
Jurisdictional Determination**

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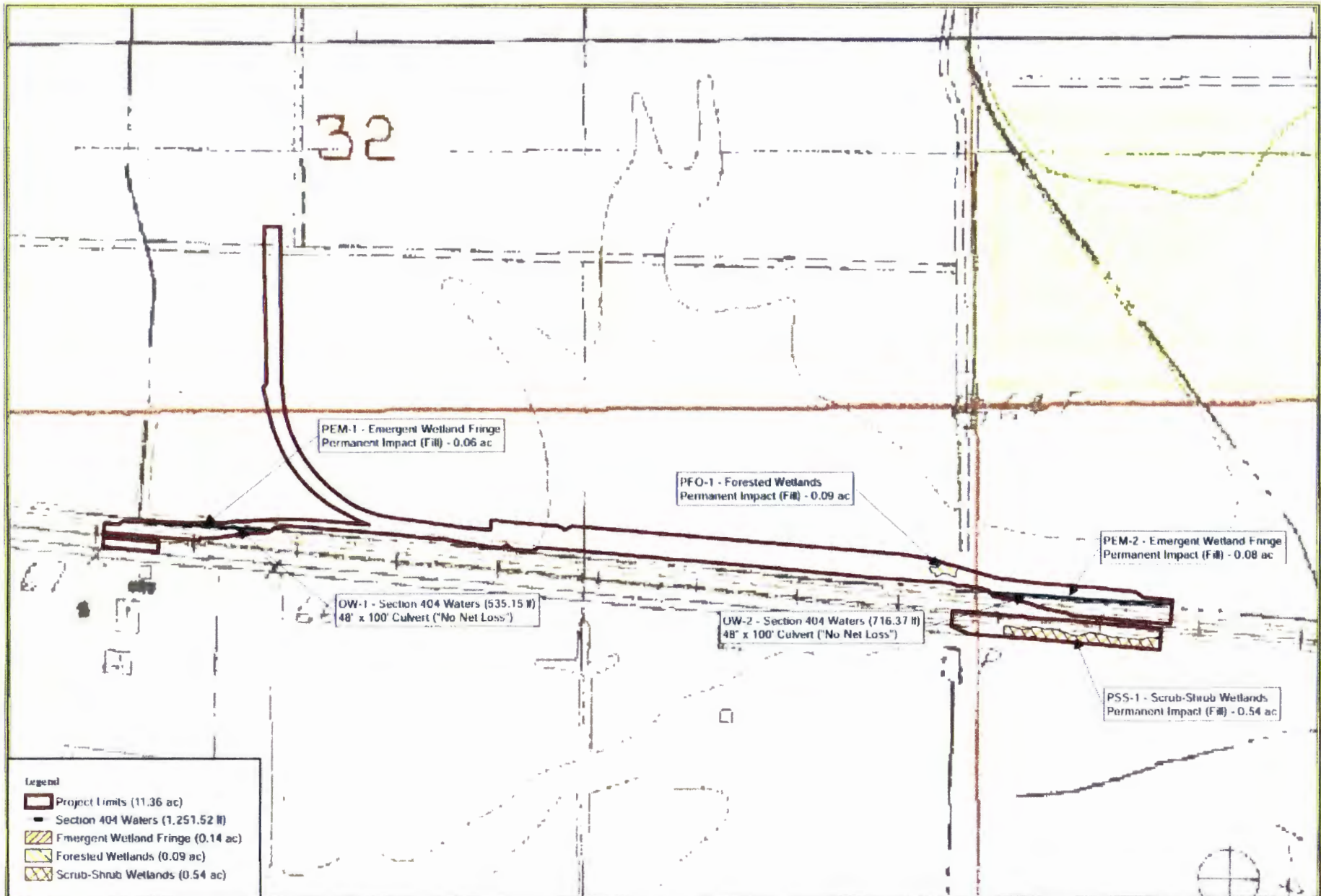
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Enclosure 1



Legend

- Project Limits (11.36 ac)
- Section 404 Waters (1,251.52 ft)
- Emergent Wetland Fringe (0.14 ac)
- Forested Wetlands (0.09 ac)
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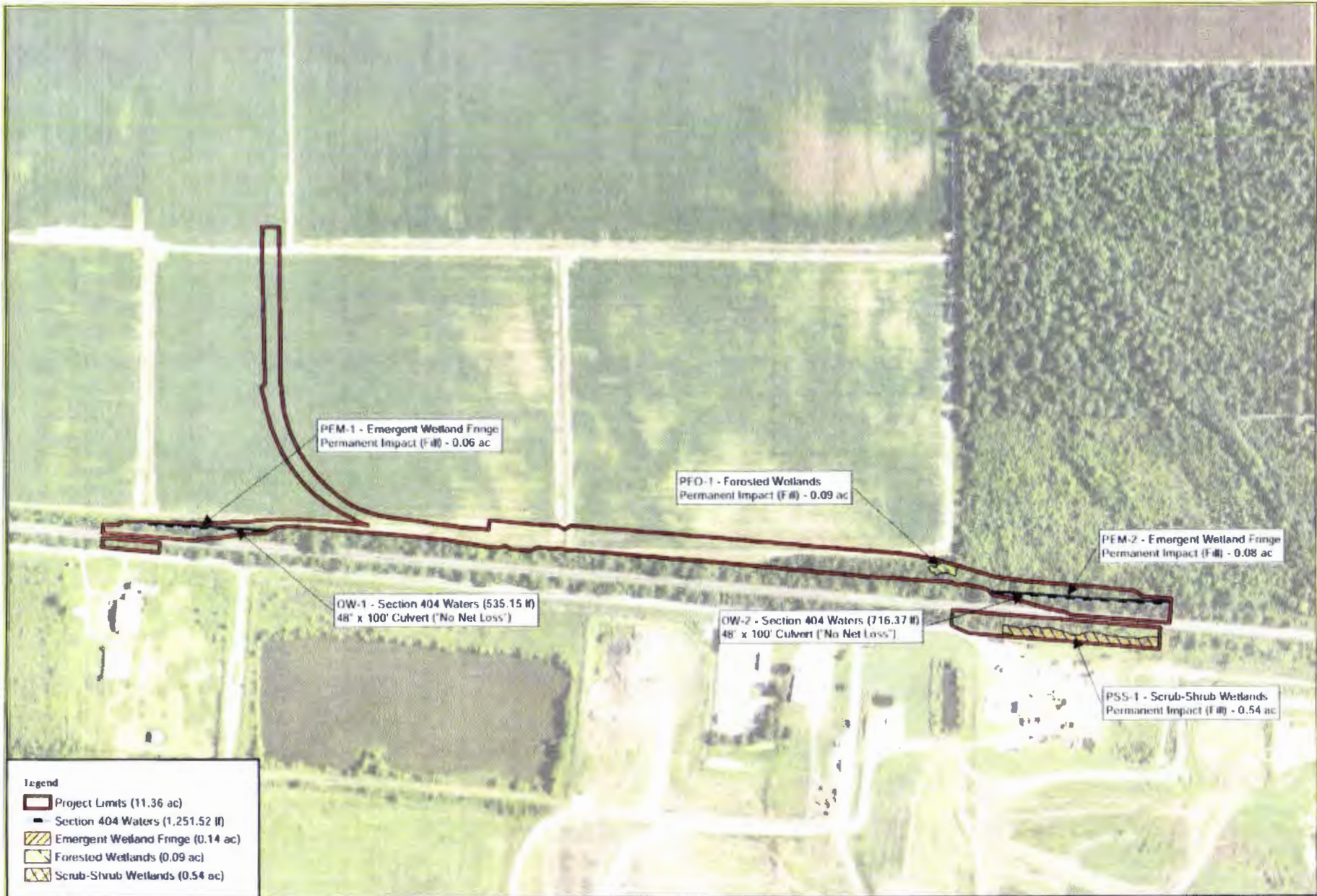
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Wetland Impact Map



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USGS Crew Lake NW (LA) Quad Basemap



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