



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**

Vicksburg District
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Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
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Public Notice

APPLICATION NO.:	MVK-2022-396
EVALUATOR:	Ms. Jennifer Brown
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DATE:	October 25, 2022
EXPIRATION DATE:	November 15, 2022

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-RD, 4155 East Clay Street, Vicksburg Mississippi 39183-3435, and must reach this office by the cited expiration date.

The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification Rule (Certification Rule, 40 CFR 121), effective September 11, 2020, requires certification for any license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge. The scope of a CWA Section 401 certification is limited to assuring that a discharge from a Federally licensed or permitted activity will comply with water quality requirements. The applicant is responsible for requesting certification and providing required information to the certifying agency. As of the date of this public notice, the applicant has submitted a certification request to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (certifying authority) and the Corps of Engineers has notified the certifying agency of the reasonable period of time for them to act upon the certification request.

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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65583 Pump Slough Road
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Name of Agent:
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Location of Work: Section 14, Township 8 South, Range 14 East; Latitude 30.374431, Longitude -89.740917; within the Lower Pearl River Drainage Basin (8-digit HUC 03180004); St. Tammany 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 project purpose is to provide adequate parking for both short-term and overnight use at the existing Pilot truck stop/gas station facility. The project boundary includes 0.124 acres of forested wetlands, 1.16 acres of emergent wetlands (regularly mowed), and additional upland, gravel areas which are partially used for temporary parking and storage. Soils in the project area are comprised of Arkabutla and Rosebloom Soils and Cahaba fine sandy loam.

The project, as proposed, would permanently fill approximately 0.78 acres of emergent wetlands to accommodate the construction of 48 parking spaces across 2.37 acres of total project area. Best management practices would be used during construction to protect adjacent wetlands from sedimentation.

To compensate for the proposed wetland functional losses, the applicant proposes to supply compensatory mitigation credits from an USACE Vicksburg District approved mitigation bank servicing the hydrologic unit code of the impacts, HUC 03180004.

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: The permit area has been so extensively modified that little likelihood exists for the proposed project to impinge upon a historic property, even if present within the affected area.

Endangered Species: The Threatened and Endangered Species list for the project area includes the red cockaded woodpecker, gopher tortoise, and ringed map turtle. Utilizing the Information for Planning and Consultation tool for Endangered Species in Louisiana (as per Memorandum of Agreement, signed on January 14, 2020, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Louisiana Ecological Services Office), the Corps has determined that the proposed activity would have no effect to red cockaded woodpecker or gopher tortoise, and that the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely effect the ringed map turtle.

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 area 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>.

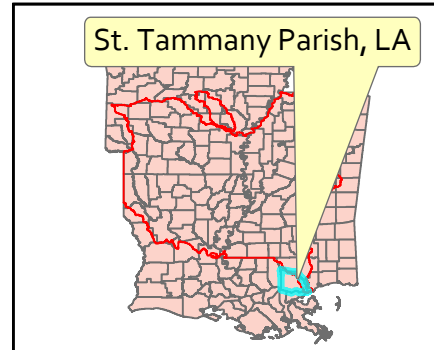
**Bryan Williamson
Chief, Permit and Evaluation Branch
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Approximately 2.37 Acres
Located in Section 1- T8S - R14E,
Town of Pearl River, St. Tammany Parish, LA

30 ° 22' 27.60" N

89 ° 44' 27.22" W



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 Pilot Truck Stop Parking Lot
 Expansion St. Tammany Parish,
 LA

**Preliminary
 Jurisdictional Determination**

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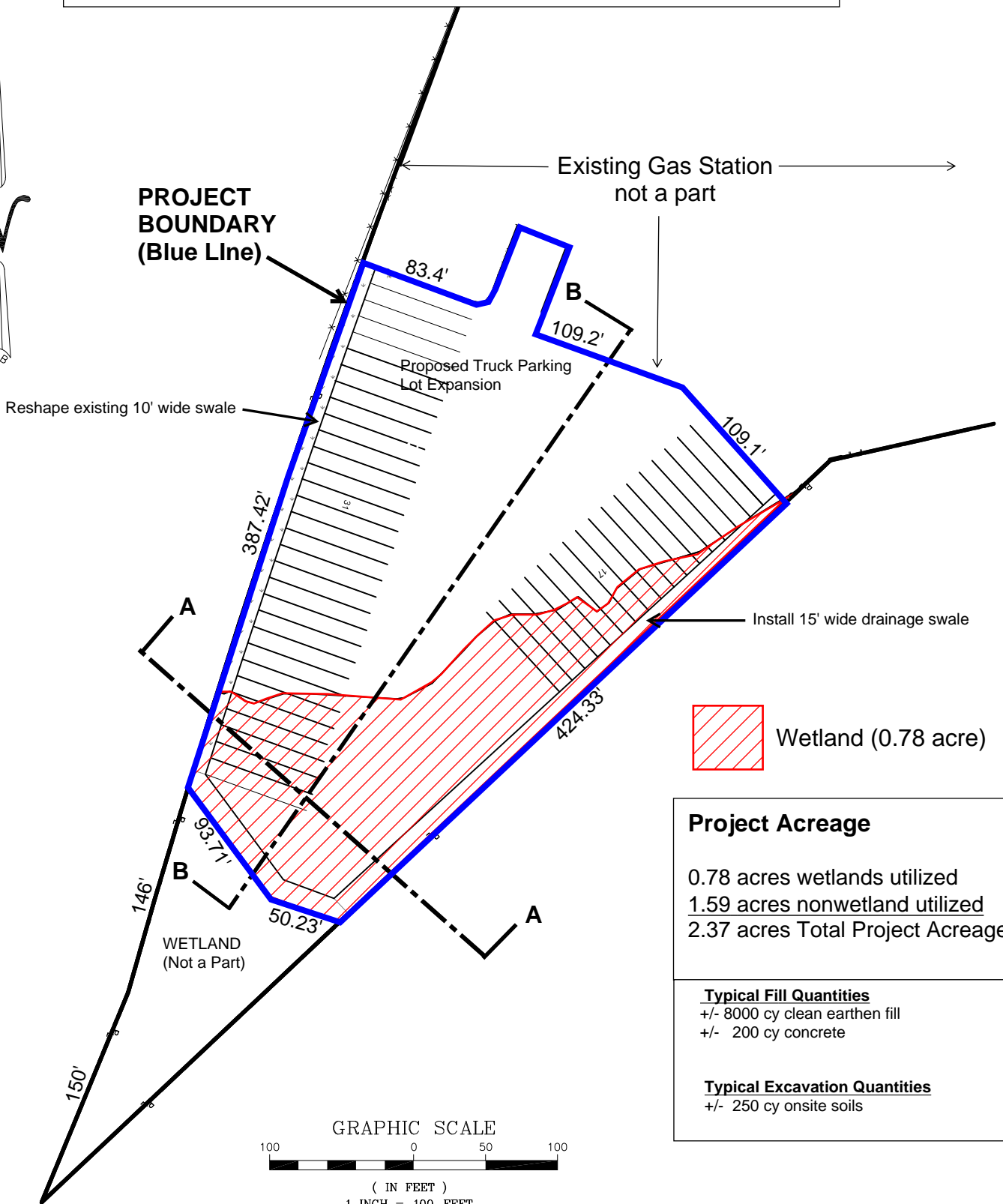
Legend

Emergent Wetlands (1.16 Acres)

Forested Wetlands (0.124 Acre)

Boundary

NOTES: As required by LDEQ, any excavated and fill material will not contain unsuitable material (e.g. trash, debris, asphalt, etc). Any unsuitable material will be disposed of in an approved landfill as necessary. Best Management Practices (BMPs) during construction would be utilized to reduce sedimentation and erosion potential.



 Wetland (0.78 acre)

Project Acreage

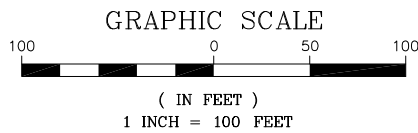
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1.59 acres nonwetland utilized
 2.37 acres Total Project Acreage

Typical Fill Quantities

+/- 8000 cy clean earthen fill
 +/- 200 cy concrete

Typical Excavation Quantities

+/- 250 cy onsite soils

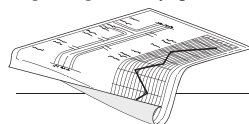


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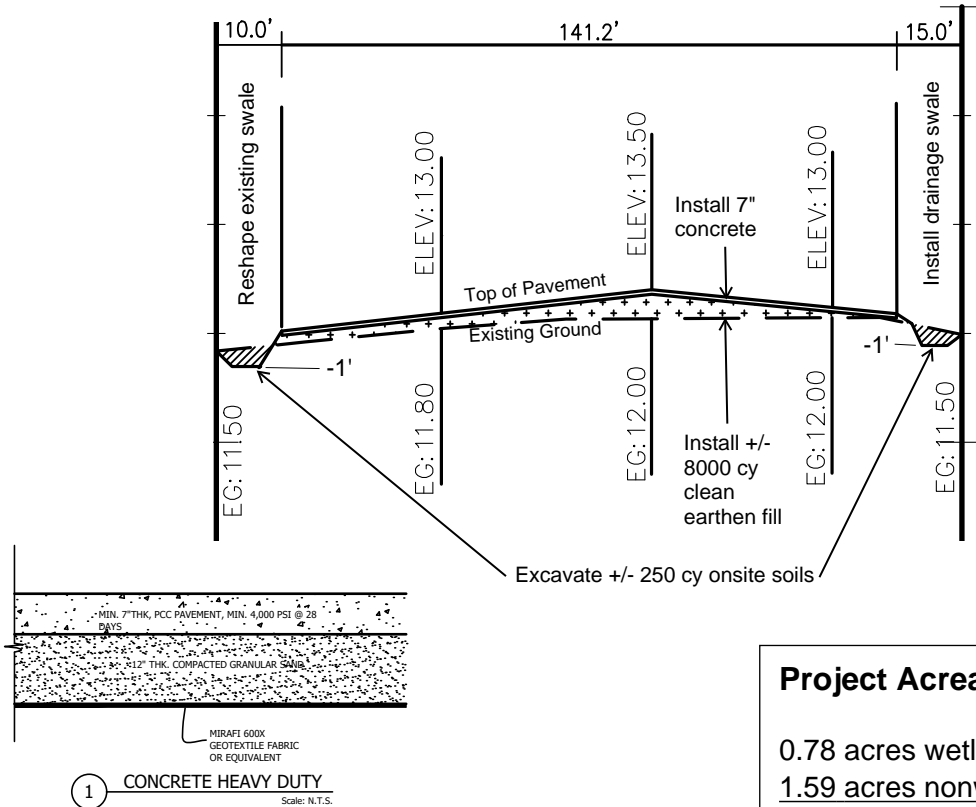


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PROJECT SITE PLAN
Proposed Parking Lot Expansion
Pearl River Pilot Truck Stop
Section 1 - T8S - R14E
Town of Pearl River,
St. Tammany Parish, LA

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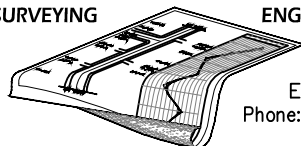
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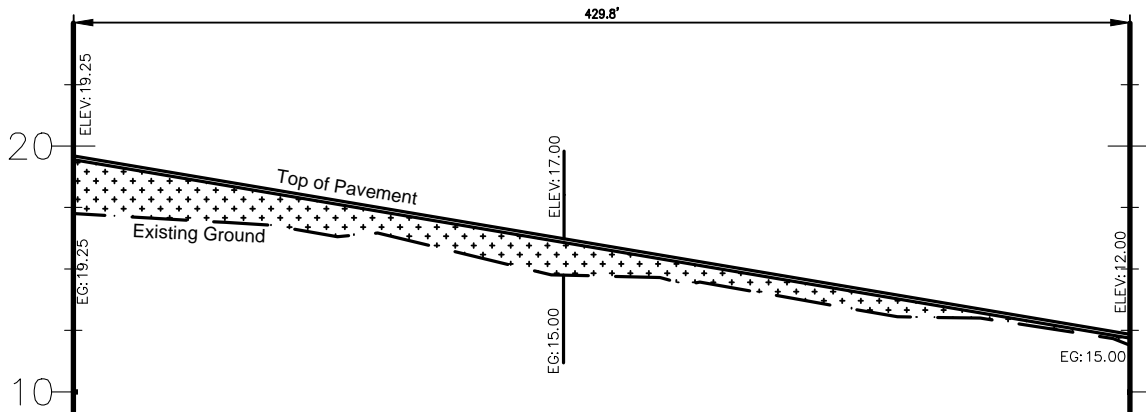
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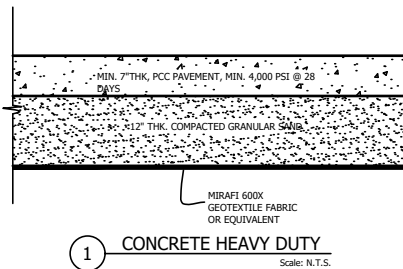
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Typical Cross Section A-A
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TYPICAL CROSS SECTION B-B
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