

JOINT
PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
69A Hagood Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107
and the
S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400
Charleston, South Carolina 29405

REGULATORY DIVISION
Refer to: P/N #2003-1E-090-P

18 July 2003

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et seq.), an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

BEN SMITH & LUCILLE RICHARDSON
3105 MAYFAIR LANE
JOHNS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA 29455

for a permit to construct a community dock structure in

BOHICKET CREEK

at 4280 Betsy Kerrison Parkway, Johns Island, Charleston County, South Carolina.
(Latitude – 32.62166, Longitude – 80.15862)

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

NOTICE

is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by both of the above mentioned offices until

12 O'CLOCK NOON, MONDAY, 4 AUGUST 2003

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of constructing a 20' x 20' covered fixed timber pier attached to an island by an 8' x 400' walkway. In addition, a 10' x 80' floating dock is to be installed in front of the fixed pierhead and attached to the fixed pierhead by a 3' x 20' gangway. The applicant also proposes to construct three (3) 8' wide boardwalks, ranging in length from 118' to 487', to connect the islands to highland. These boardwalks do not require a Department of the Army permit; however, they are subject to the permitting authority of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, and, possibly, the U.S. Coast Guard. The purpose of this work is for the private recreational use of the residents of a proposed community.

NOTE: Plans depicting the work described in this notice are available and will be provided, upon receipt of a written request, to anyone that is interested in obtaining a copy of the plans for the specific project. The request must identify the project of interest by public notice number and a self-addressed stamped envelope must also be provided for mailing the drawings to you. Your request for drawings should be addressed to the

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION
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The District Engineer has concluded that the discharges associated with this project, both direct and indirect, should be reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in accordance with provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. As such, this notice constitutes a request, on behalf of the applicant, for certification that this project will comply with applicable effluent limitations and water quality standards. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). The District Engineer will not process this application to a conclusion until such certifications are received. The applicant is hereby advised that supplemental information may be required by the State to facilitate the review.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Implementation of the proposed project would impact estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the red drum, shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial individual or cumulative adverse impact on EFH or fisheries managed by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project will have no effect on any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. This public notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed endangered or threatened species or designated or proposed critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended).

The District Engineer has consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this worksite is not included as a registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. Consultation of the National Register constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. Presently unknown archaeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by the work to be accomplished under the requested permit.

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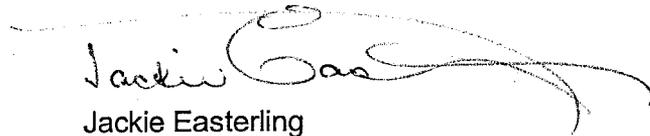
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Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

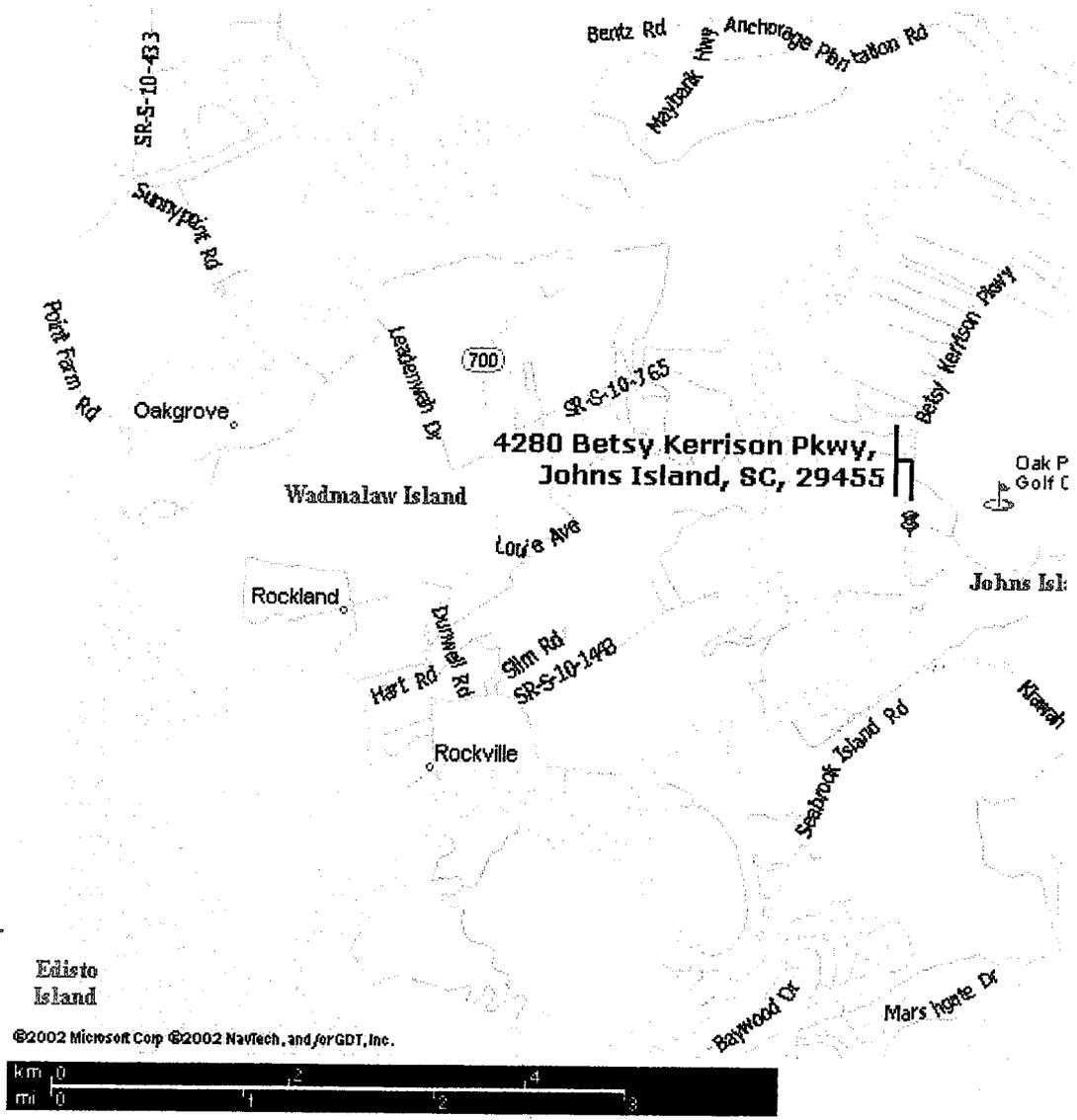
The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

The Corps of Engineers 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 activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on 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 and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact me at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.



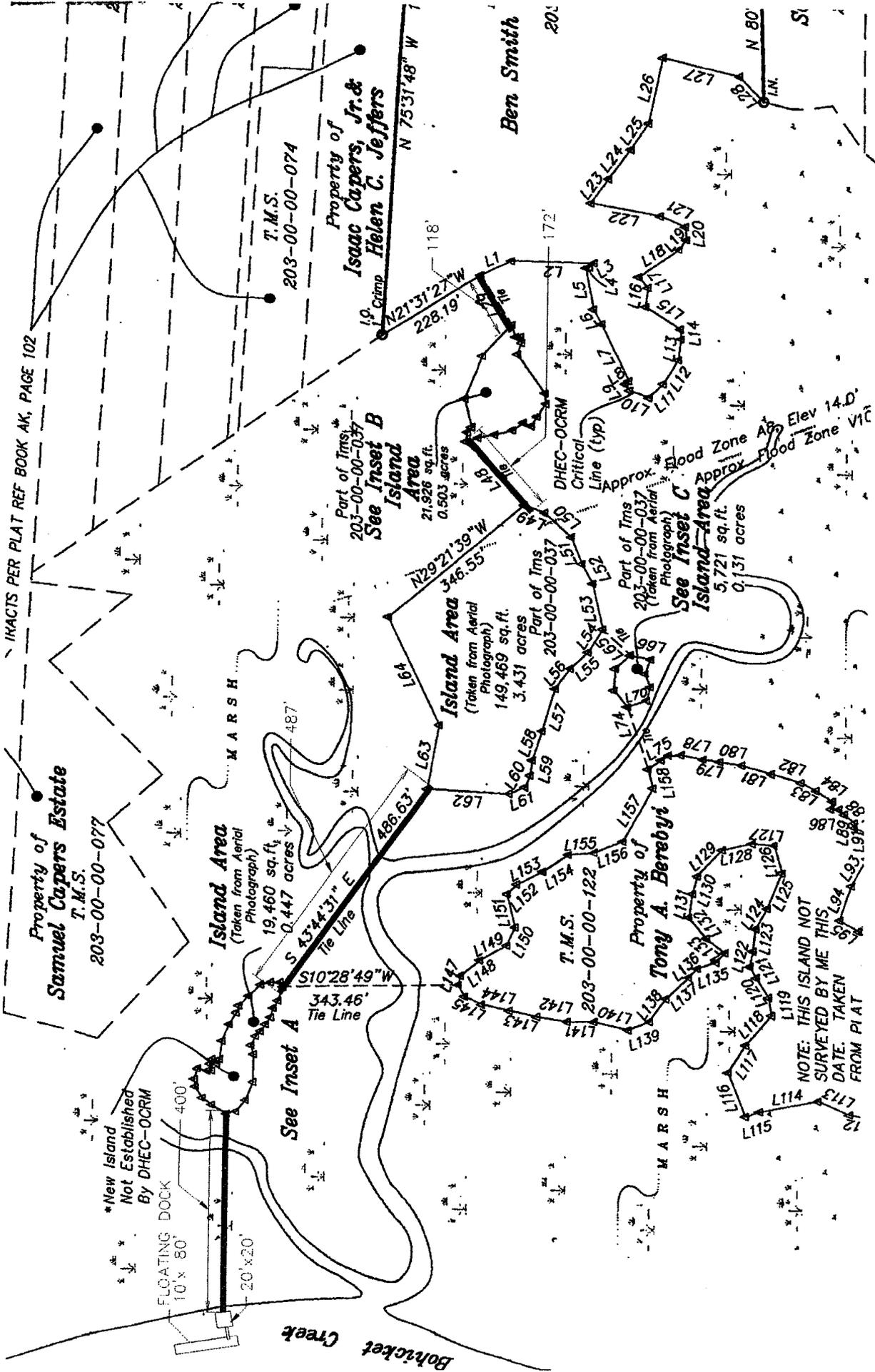
Jackie Easterling
Project Manager
Regulatory Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



**4280 Betsy Kerrison Pkwy,
Johns Island, SC, 29455**

PROPOSED COMMUNITY DOCK STRUCTURE
 In: Bohicket Creek
 At: 4280 Betsy Kerrison Parkway, Johns Island,
 Charleston County, SC
 Application by: Ben Smith & Lucille Richardson
 #2003-1E-090 Sheet 1 of 7 February 6, 2003

INACTS PER PLAT REF BOOK AK, PAGE 102



Property of Samuel Capers Estate

T.M.S.

203-00-00-077

Island Area (Taken from Aerial Photograph)

19,460 sq. ft. 0.447 acres

S 43°44'31" E Tie Line

343.46'

S 10°28'49" W Tie Line

486.63'

See Inset A

Property of Isaac Capers, Jr. & Helen C. Jeffers

T.M.S.

203-00-00-074

Island Area (Taken from Aerial Photograph)

21,926 sq. ft. 0.503 acres

N 21°31'27" W Tie Line

228.19'

See Inset B

Property of Ben Smith

T.M.S.

203-00-00-074

Island Area (Taken from Aerial Photograph)

149,469 sq. ft. 3.431 acres

N 29°21'39" W Tie Line

346.55'

See Inset C

Property of Tony A. Bereby

T.M.S.

203-00-00-122

Island Area (Taken from Aerial Photograph)

5,721 sq. ft. 0.131 acres

Approx. Flood Zone

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Elev 14.0'

NOTE: THIS ISLAND NOT SURVEYED BY ME THIS DATE. TAKEN FROM PLAT

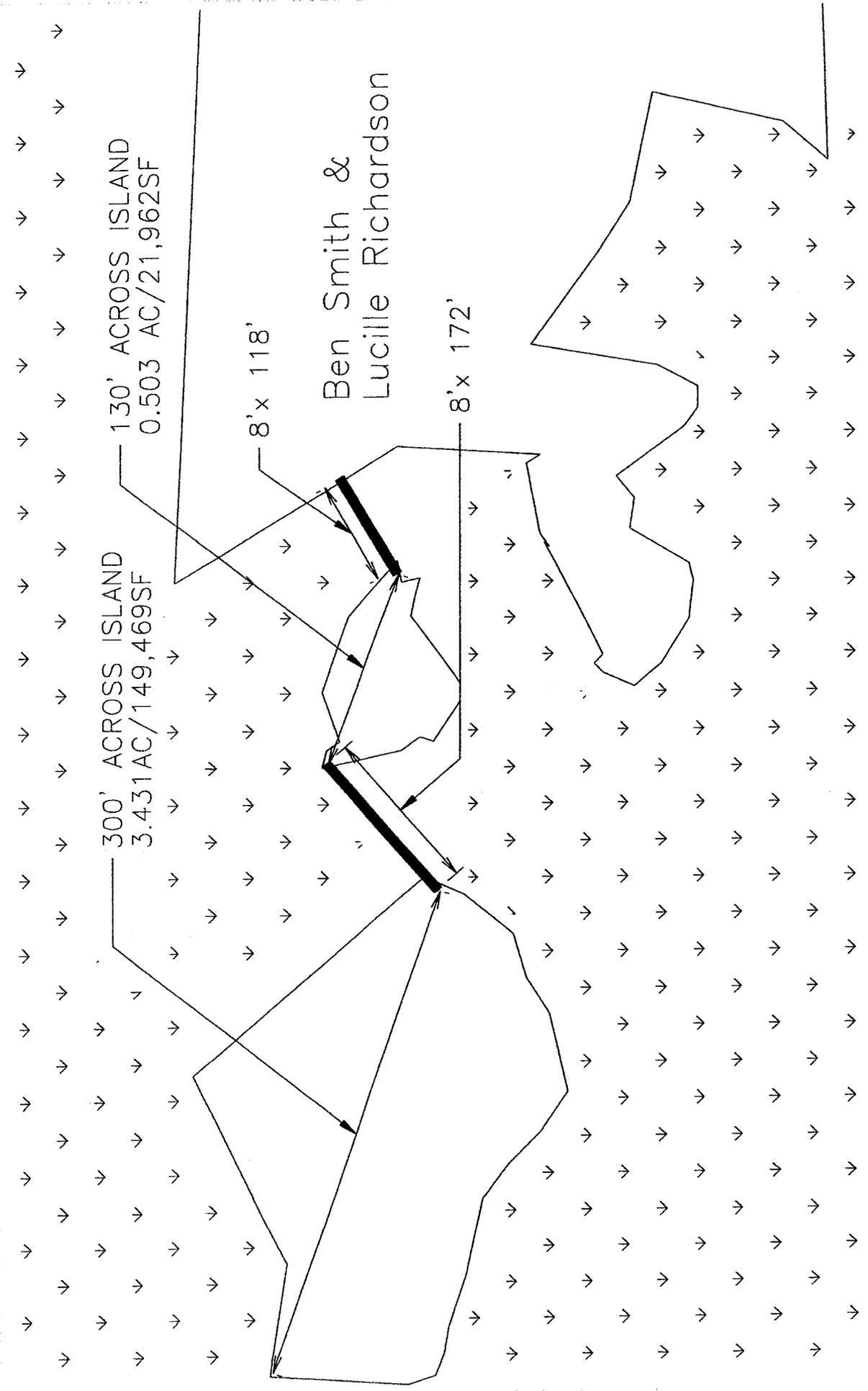
ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:

SAMUEL CAPERS ESTATE
 CHARLES & CHERRY SEABROOK
 8 OPHIR DRIVE
 CHARLESTON, SC 29407

TONY A BEREBY
 123 MARY STREET
 MT. PLEASANT, SC 29464

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 COMMUNITY DOCK
 BOHICKET CREEK
 JOHNS ISLAND, CHARLESTON COUNTY
 SOUTH CAROLINA
 FEBRUARY 6, 2003 2003-1E-090



300' ACROSS ISLAND
3.431AC/149,469SF

130' ACROSS ISLAND
0.503 AC/21,962SF

8'x 118'

Ben Smith &
Lucille Richardson

8'x 172'

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OCRM C.A.L.

140' ACROSS ISLAND
0.477AC/19460SF

8' x 487' WALKWAY
FROM ISLAND TO ISLAND

300' ACROSS ISLAND
3.431AC/149,469SF

OCRM C.A.L.

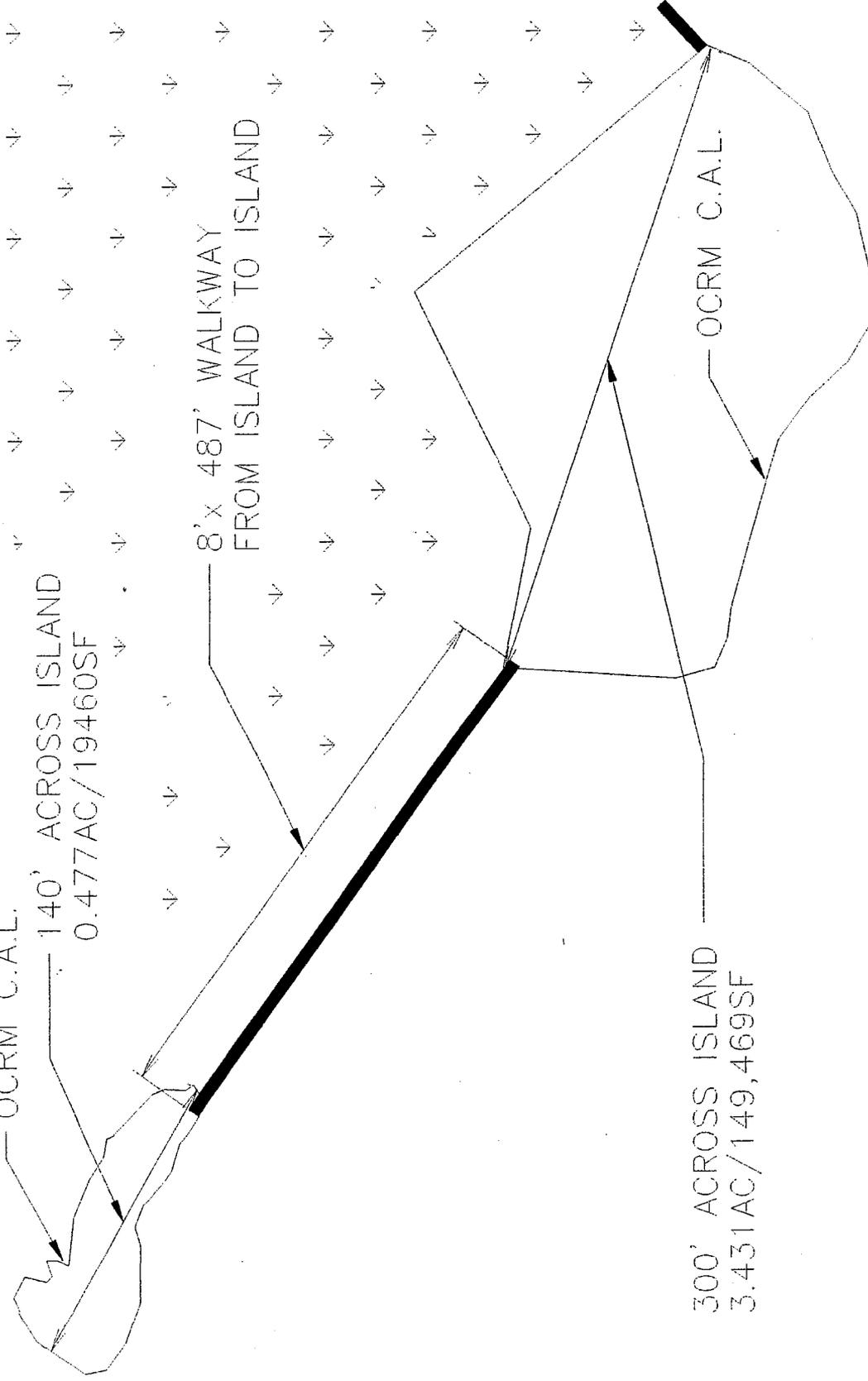
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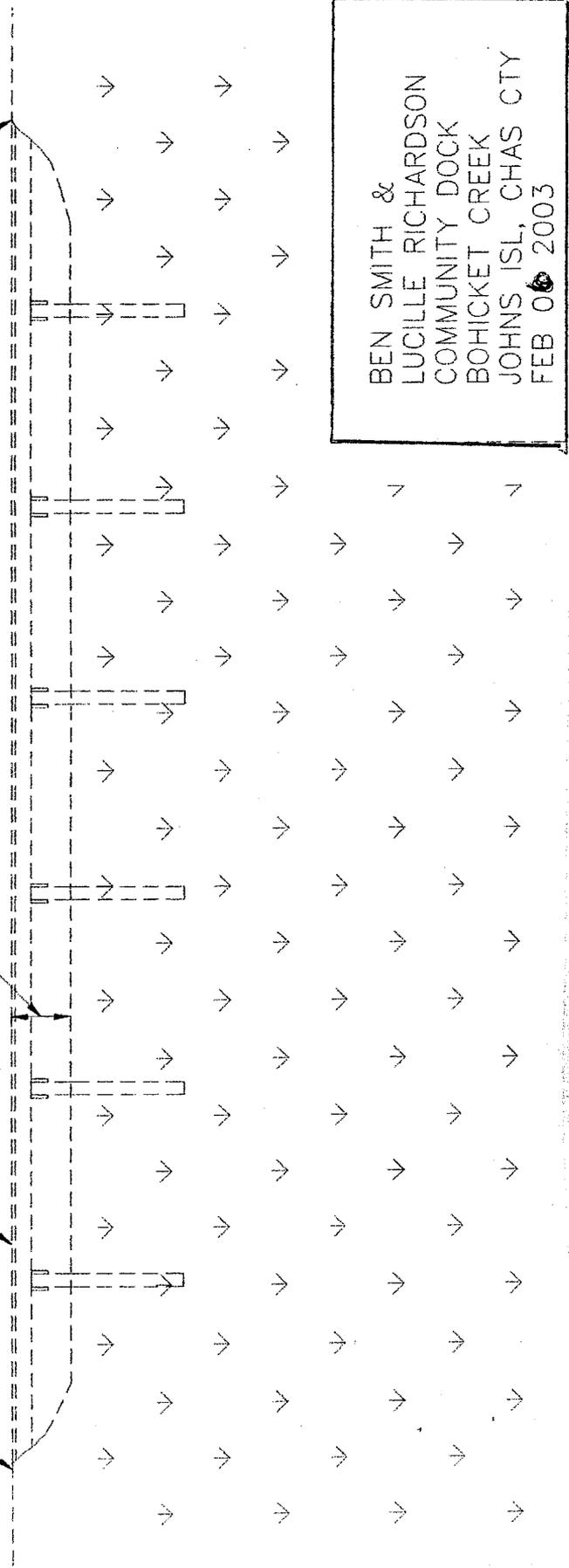
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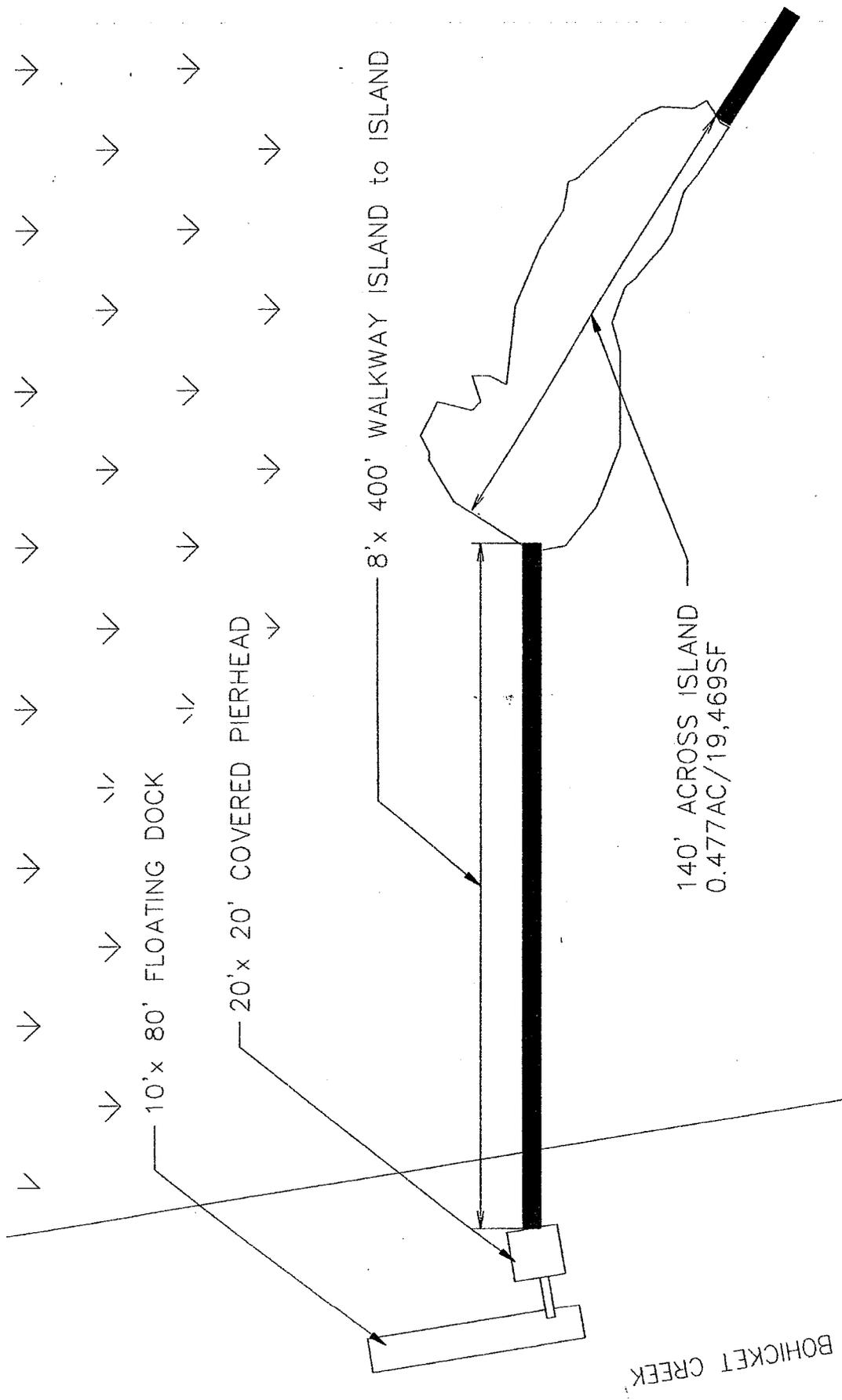
DHEC-OCRM CRITICAL AREA LINE
CERTIFIED BY OCRM (05-24-99)
Note: Reference Survey 11-27-02
NEW ISLAND HAS NOT BEEN
ESTABLISHED BY DHEC-OCRM

TYPICAL ISLAND TO ISLAND BOARDWALK
DISTANCE VARIES (SEE PLAN VIEWS)

3'-0" - 4'-0" ABOVE EXISTING GRADE



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 CHARLESTON, SC 29407

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800' TO EDGE OF MARSH

92'-6"

41'-6"

12'-0"

4'-0"

6'-0"

MHW

MHW

BEN SMITH
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