

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 Environmental Quality Control
Water Quality Certification and Wetlands Programs Section
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

REGULATORY DIVISION
Refer to: P/N # 2003-1H-208-C

25 July 2003

Pursuant to Sections 401 and 404 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

LANGDON GUNTER
C/O THE EARTHWORKS GROUP
658 WACHESAW ROAD
MURRELLS INLET, SOUTH CAROLINA 29576

for a permit to construct a spoil basin, an overflow parking area and access road in

FRESHWATER WETLANDS

located on a 14.38-acre tract, adjacent to the Sand Crane Drystack Marina Site, off of Old Crane Road, near Nixons Crossroads, approximately 0.8-mile south of Sea Mountain Highway Bridge, Wampee Section of Horry County, South Carolina. (Latitude: 33.84471°, Longitude: 78.66780°).

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

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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, 25 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 4.52-acre spoil basin (72,480 cubic yard capacity), a 130-space overflow parking lot, and an access road to the marina. The overall impact to waters of the U.S., including wetlands, is 0.60-acre. The impacts include filling 0.37-acre of waters of the U.S and excavating 0.23-acre of waters of the U.S. Construction of the spoil area will impact a 0.38-acre area, the proposed parking area will impact a 0.21-acre area, and the road crossing will impact a 0.01-acre area. As mitigation for the impacts, the applicant proposes to purchase 4 credits from an approved mitigation bank. The overall purpose of the project, as stated by the applicant, is to provide an overflow parking area for the marina, construct an access road to the marina, and construct a spoil disposal area with adequate capacity for maintenance dredging Reach #5 of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW). The applicant proposes to construct the spoil basin in order to replace an existing basin under Corps easement that is located on the east side of the AIWW.

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

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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 of the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (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. Persons wishing to comment or object to State certification must submit all comments in writing to the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control at the above address within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice.

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 (0.60) acres of waters of the U.S. adjacent to 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.

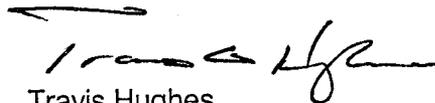
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

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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 and will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act and, as appropriate, the criteria established under authority of Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended. 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.



Travis Hughes
Project Manager
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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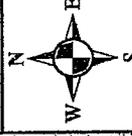
- Parcel Data
- Existing Spoilage Basin
- Sand Crane
- 2000 Centerline Data
- Carolina Bays Pkwy

Parcel Center Located
78°40'08.51"W by 33°50'44.17"N

SHEET 1 OF 10

SAND CRANE DRY STACK VICINITY MAP

HORRY COUNTY
SOUTH CAROLINA
WAMPEE QUADRANGLE
2000 Parcel & Centerline Data Courtesy
Horry Co. GIS Dept. USGS Topographic
Quadrangle DRG Imagery Courtesy SCDNR.



SCALE 1" = 2000'

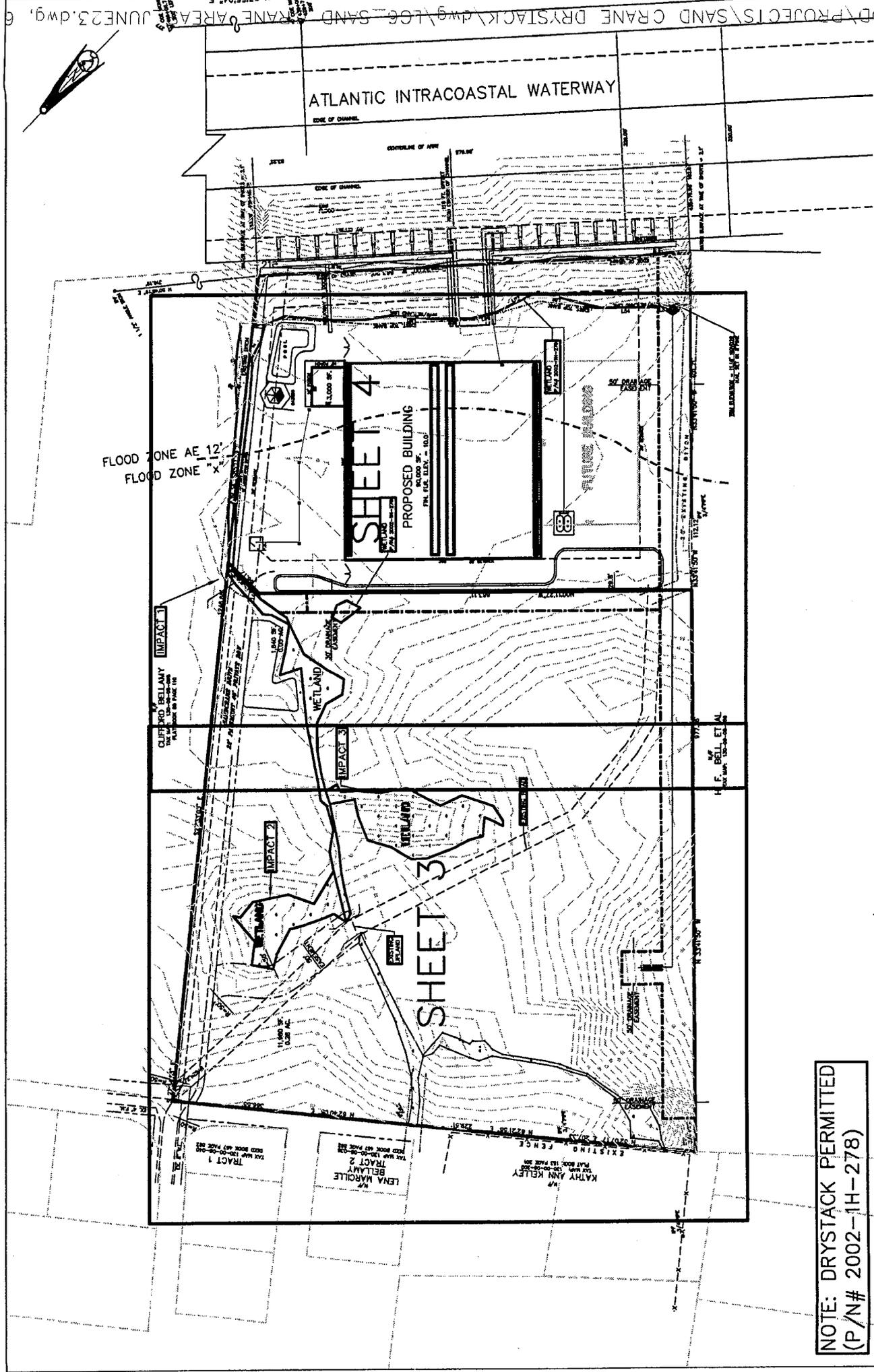


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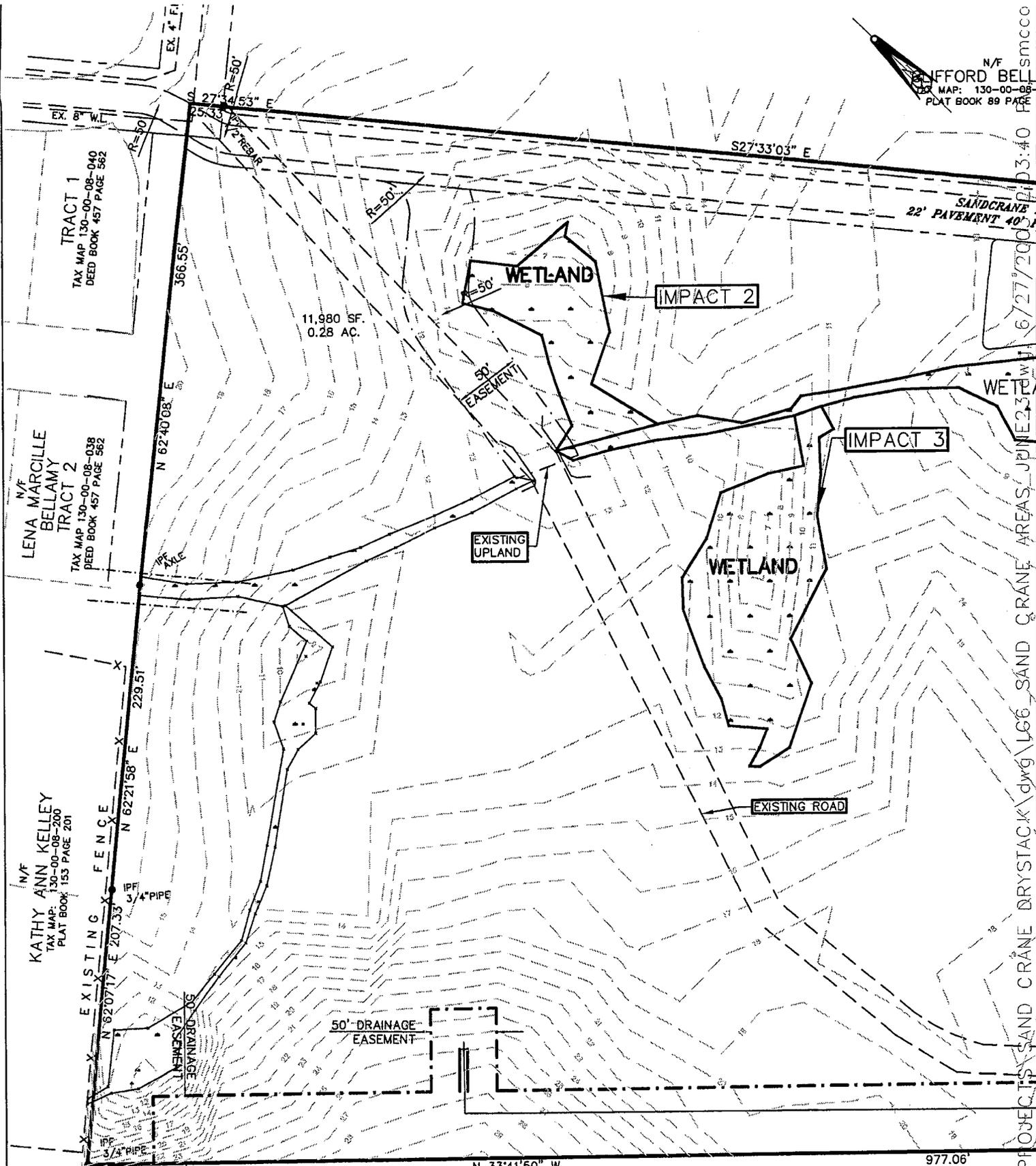




**NOTE: DRYSTACK PERMITTED
(P/N# 2002-1H-278)**

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Project Title: SAND CRANE SPOIL BASIN		Date: JUNE 23, 2003	Scale: 1" = 200'
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 TAX MAP: 130-00-08-058

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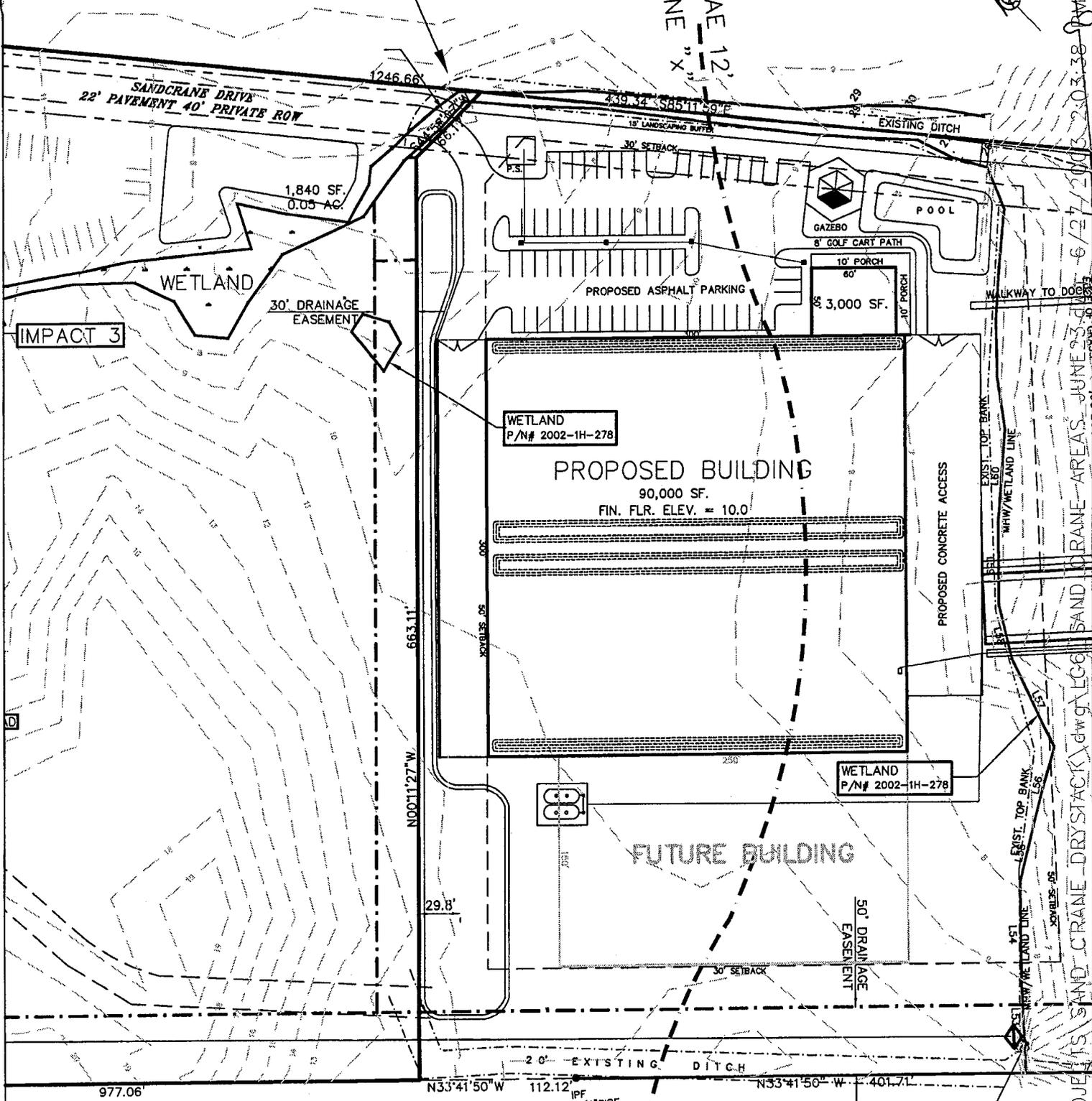
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IMPACT 1

ZONE AE 12
 JOD ZONE "X"

N 50°45'19"
 130°36'38"
 6/27/2003
 SAND CRANE SPOIL BASIN DRAINAGE AREAS
 JUNE 23, 2003
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IMPACT 3

WETLAND
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PROPOSED BUILDING
 90,000 SF.
 FIN. FLR. ELEV. = 10.0'

WETLAND
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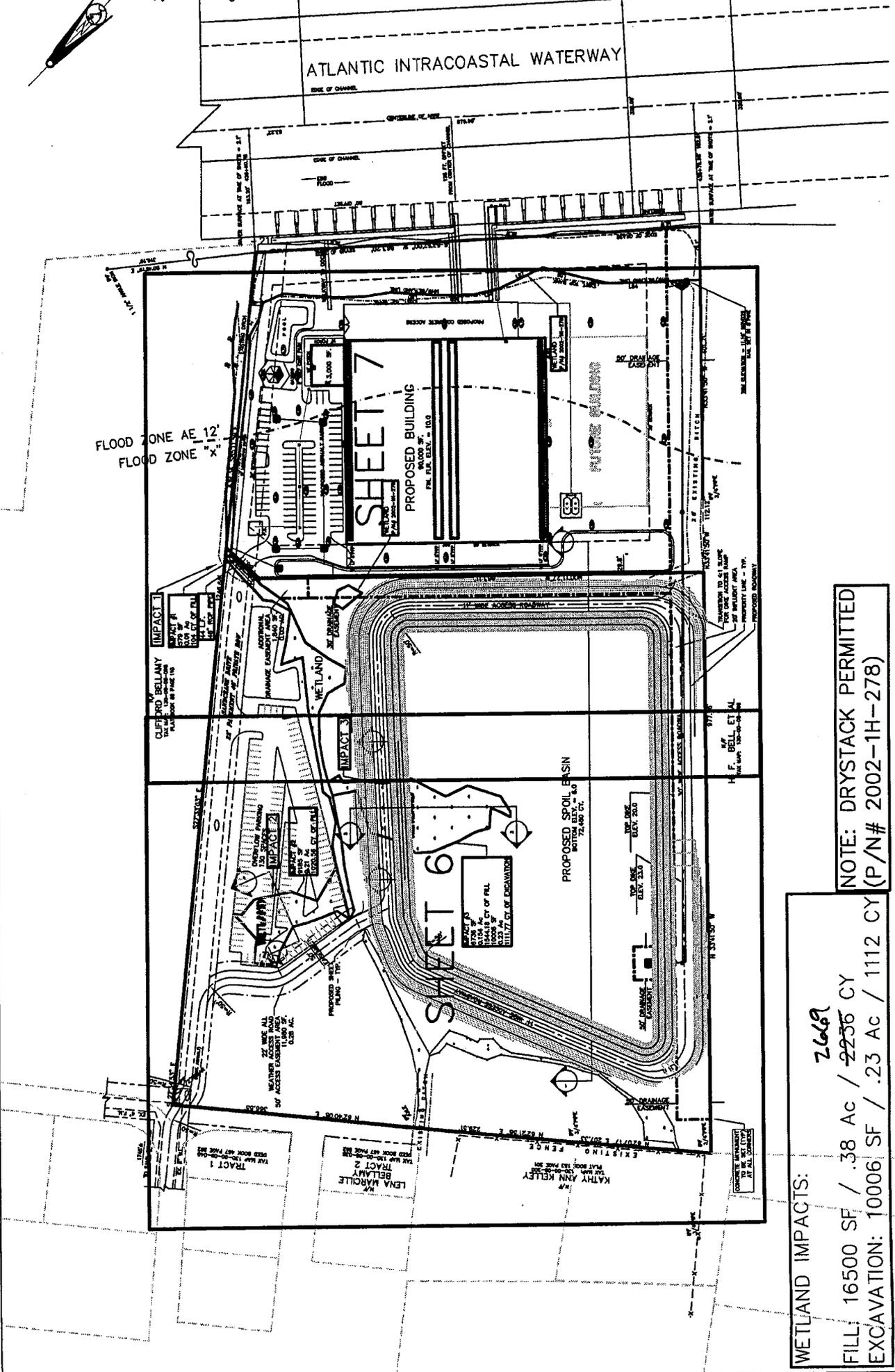
FUTURE BUILDING

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TBM ELEVATION = 11.16' NGVD29
 NAIL SET IN 8" PINE

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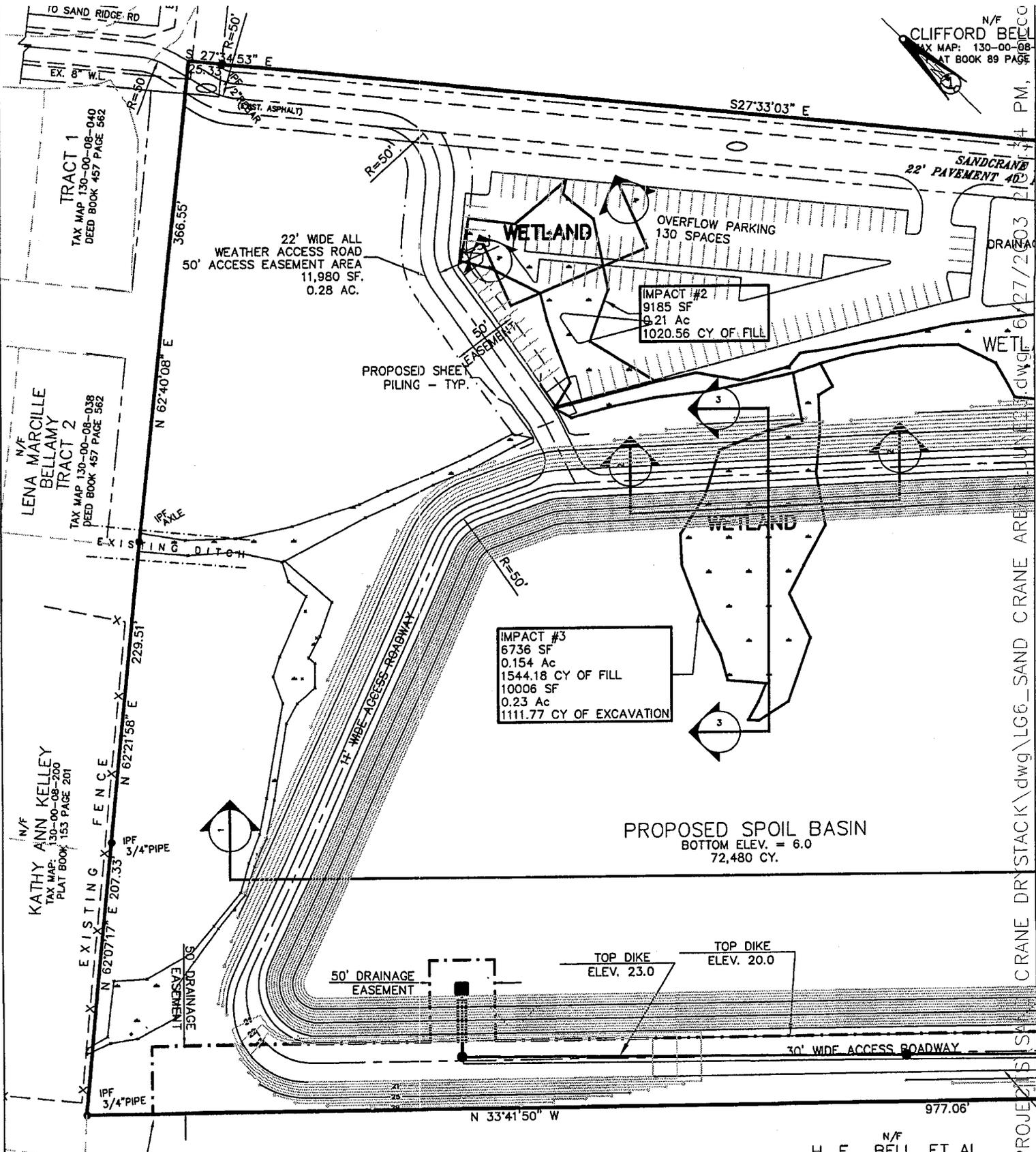


WETLAND IMPACTS:
 2669
 FILL: 16500 SF / .38 Ac / 2236 CY
 EXCAVATION: 10006 SF / .23 Ac / 1112 CY

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Sheet Title: PROPOSED BASIN MASTER



IMPACT #2
 9185 SF
 0.21 Ac
 1020.56 CY OF FILL

IMPACT #3
 6736 SF
 0.154 Ac
 1544.18 CY OF FILL
 10006 SF
 0.23 Ac
 1111.77 CY OF EXCAVATION

PROPOSED SPOIL BASIN
 BOTTOM ELEV. = 6.0
 72,480 CY.

TOP DIKE
 ELEV. 23.0

TOP DIKE
 ELEV. 20.0

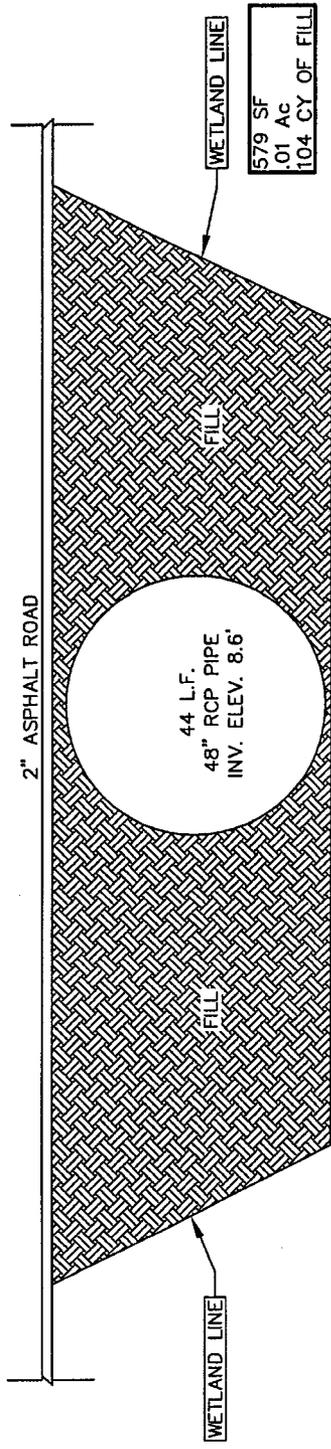
CONCRETE MONUMENT
 TO BE SET (TYP)
 AT ALL CORNERS

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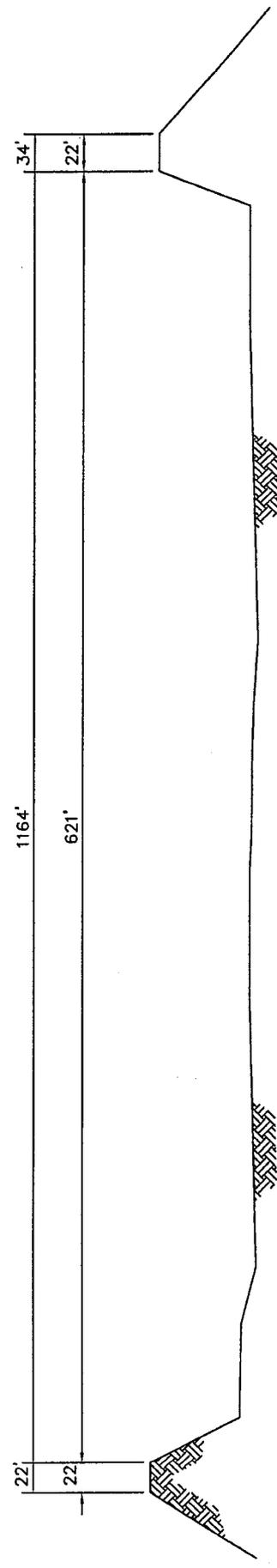
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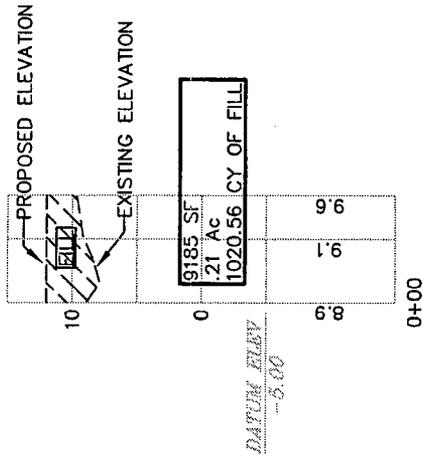
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SPOIL BASIN - SECTION

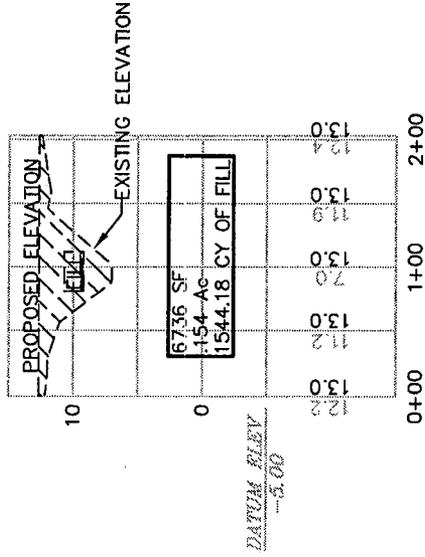
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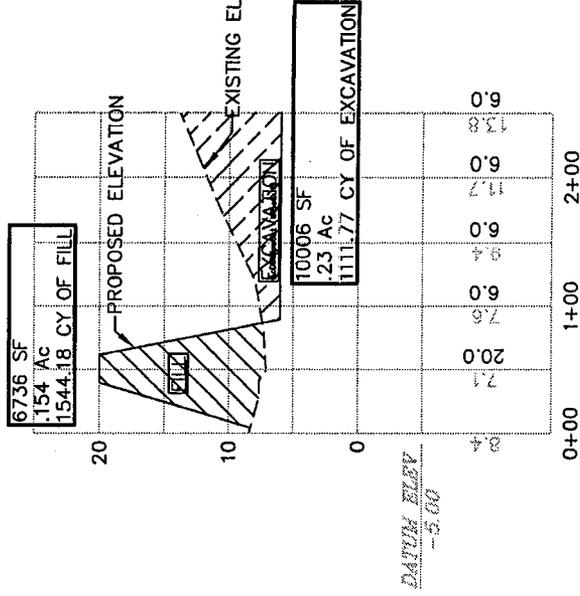
IMPACT 2 - SECTION

HORZ: 1" = 150'
VERT: 1" = 15'



IMPACT 3 - SECTION

HORZ: 1" = 150'
VERT: 1" = 15'



IMPACT 3 - PROFILE

HORZ: 1" = 150'
VERT: 1" = 15'

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Sheet Title: WETLAND PROFILES

Date: JUNE 23, 2003

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