

**JOINT**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
1949 Industrial Park Road, Room 140  
Conway, South Carolina 29526

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 # 2016-01130

AUGUST 26, 2016

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1341), and the S.C. Construction in Navigable Waters Permit Program (R. 19-450, et. seq., 1976 S.C. Code of Laws, as amended), an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control by

CITY OF JOHNSONVILLE  
C/O MR. TIM VINSON  
SC DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
PO BOX 167  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29202

for a permit to renovate an existing boat ramp and construct a floating dock and dock pad in the

**LYNCHES RIVER**

at the Odell Venters Boat Landing, located east of SC Highway 41/51, north of the City of Johnsonville, Florence County, South Carolina (Latitude 33.839016°N, Longitude -79.448453°W; USGS Johnsonville Quad).

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 the **Corps** until

**15 Days from the Date of this Notice,**

and **SCDHEC** will receive written statements regarding the proposed work until

**30 Days from the Date of this Notice**

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

The proposed work consists of the renovation of an existing boat ramp and the construction

of a new dock system with associated concrete dock pad. In detail, the work will consist of the removal of an existing 87' X 28' X 6" boat ramp and the construction of a new 120' X 28' X 6" reinforced concrete boat ramp. A new 100' X 8' ground-out floating aluminum boating courtesy dock with piles and a 60' X 8' X 4" concrete dock pad will be constructed adjacent to the boat ramp. All excavation will be by mechanical means utilizing an excavator located within uplands on site and will consist of the removal of approximately 100 cubic yards of material below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM). According to the applicant, "all excavated material will be placed in trucks with leak proof tailgates and transported off-site... to allow the material to dry for future use." Approximately 37 cubic yards of pre-formed concrete and 196 cubic yards of rip-rap will be placed below the OHWM for the construction of the boat ramp. The applicant does not propose any mitigation for this project. The project purpose, according to the applicant, is to allow the safe launch and retrieval of trailered boats at low water levels and to provide a soft landing for public access.

**NOTE: This public notice and associated plans are available on the Corps' website at:**  
<http://www.sac.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/PublicNotices> .

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. This activity may also require evaluation for compliance with the S. C. Construction in Navigable Waters Permit Program. State review, permitting and certification is conducted by the S. C. Department of Health and Environmental Control. 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 0.06 acres upstream of estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. The District Engineer's 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). The District Engineer's final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

Pursuant to the Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended), the Corps has reviewed the project area, examined all information provided by the applicant, and the District Engineer has determined, based on the most recently available information 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 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), this public notice also constitutes a request to Indian Tribes to notify the District Engineer of any historic

properties of religious and cultural significance to them that may be affected by the proposed undertaking.

In accordance with Section 106 of the NHPA, the District Engineer has consulted South Carolina ArchSite (GIS), for the presence or absence of historic properties (as defined in 36 C.F.R. 800.16)(f)(1)), and has initially determined that no historic properties are present; therefore, there will be no effect on historic properties. To ensure that other historic properties that the District Engineer is not aware of are not overlooked, this public notice also serves as a request to the State Historic Preservation Office and any other interested parties to provide any information they may have with regard to historic properties. This public notice serves as a request for concurrence within 30 days from the SHPO (and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer).

The District Engineer's final eligibility and effect determination will be based upon coordination with the SHPO and/or THPO, as appropriate and required and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

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 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 cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

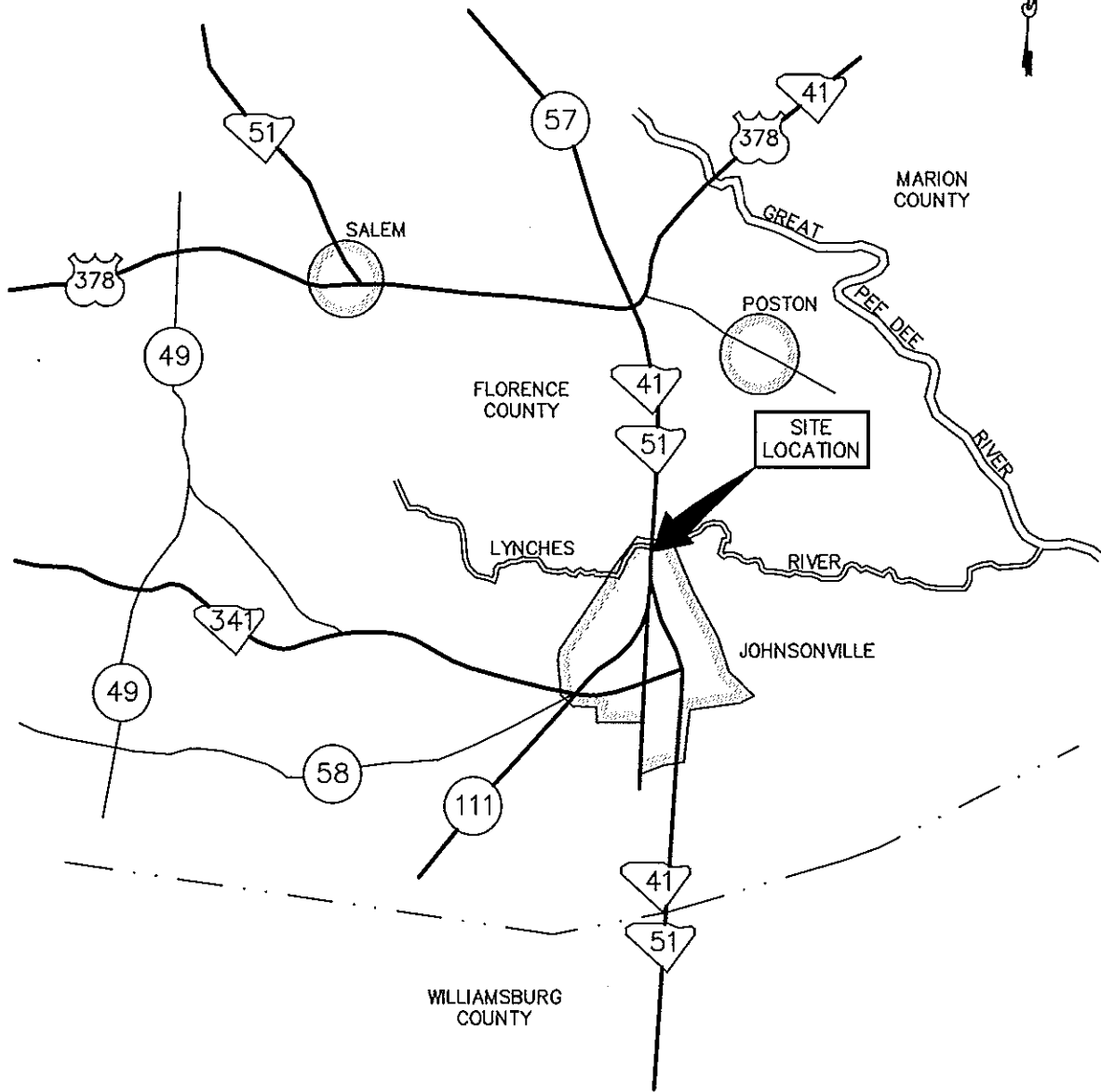
The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, 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. **Please submit comments in writing, identifying the project of interest by public notice number, to the following address:**

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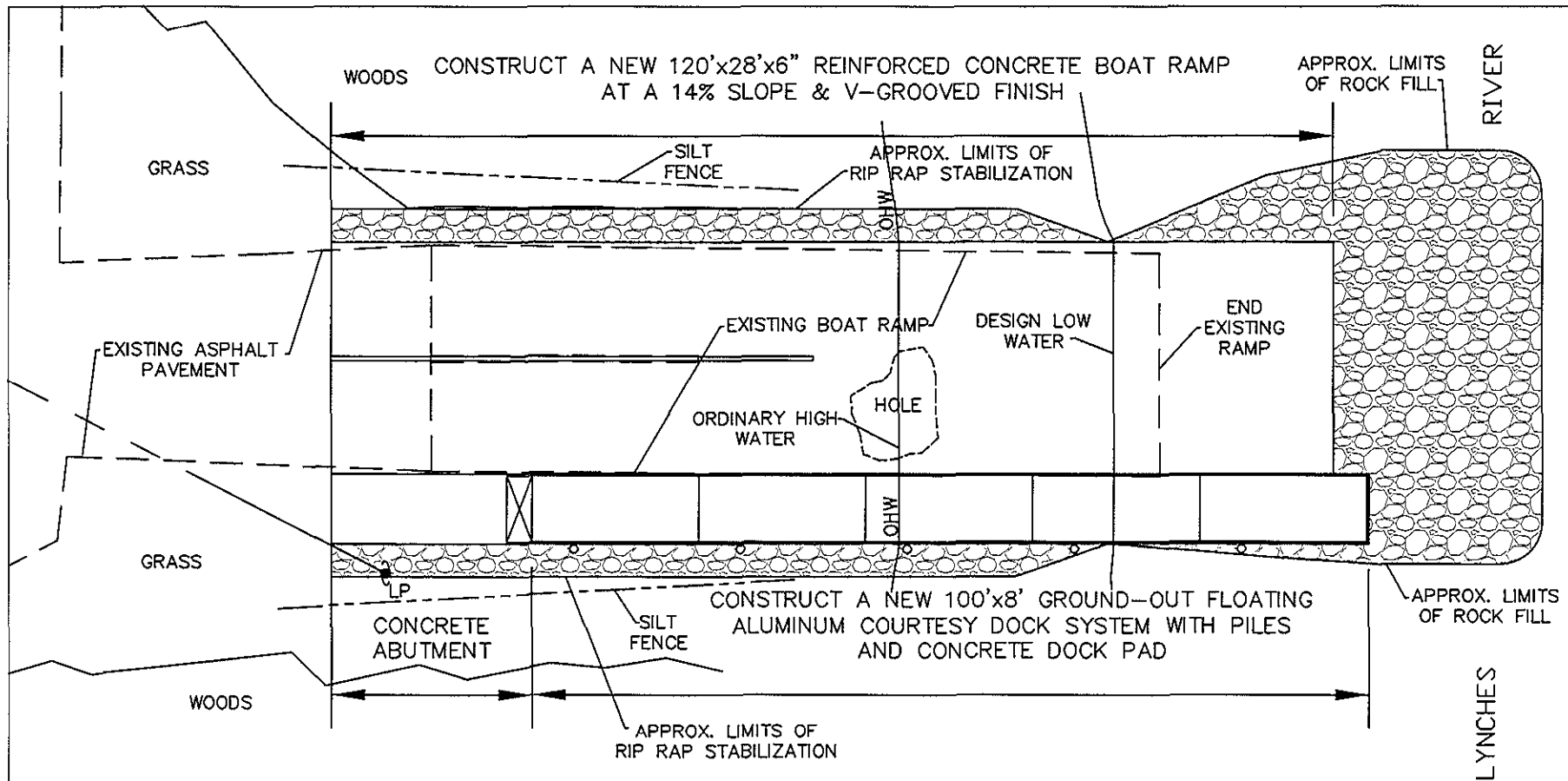
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If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Ann Eaddy at (843) 365-1709.



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<b>PROJECT LOCATION</b> NORTH OF JOHNSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA ON SC HIGHWAY 41-51 ON THE LYNCHES RIVER IN FLORENCE COUNTY	
<b>APPLICANT</b> CITY OF JOHNSONVILLE	
<b>AUTHORIZED AGENT</b> TIM VINSON	
<b>DRAWING SCALE</b> NONE	<b>DATE</b> 5-26-16
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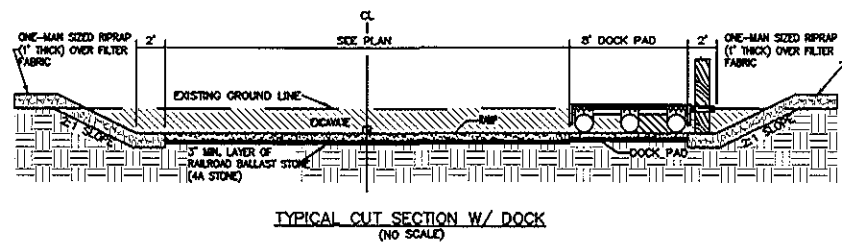
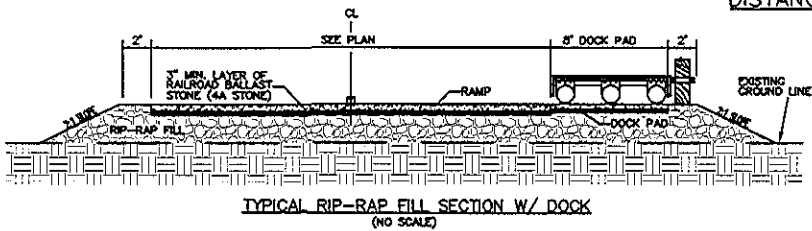
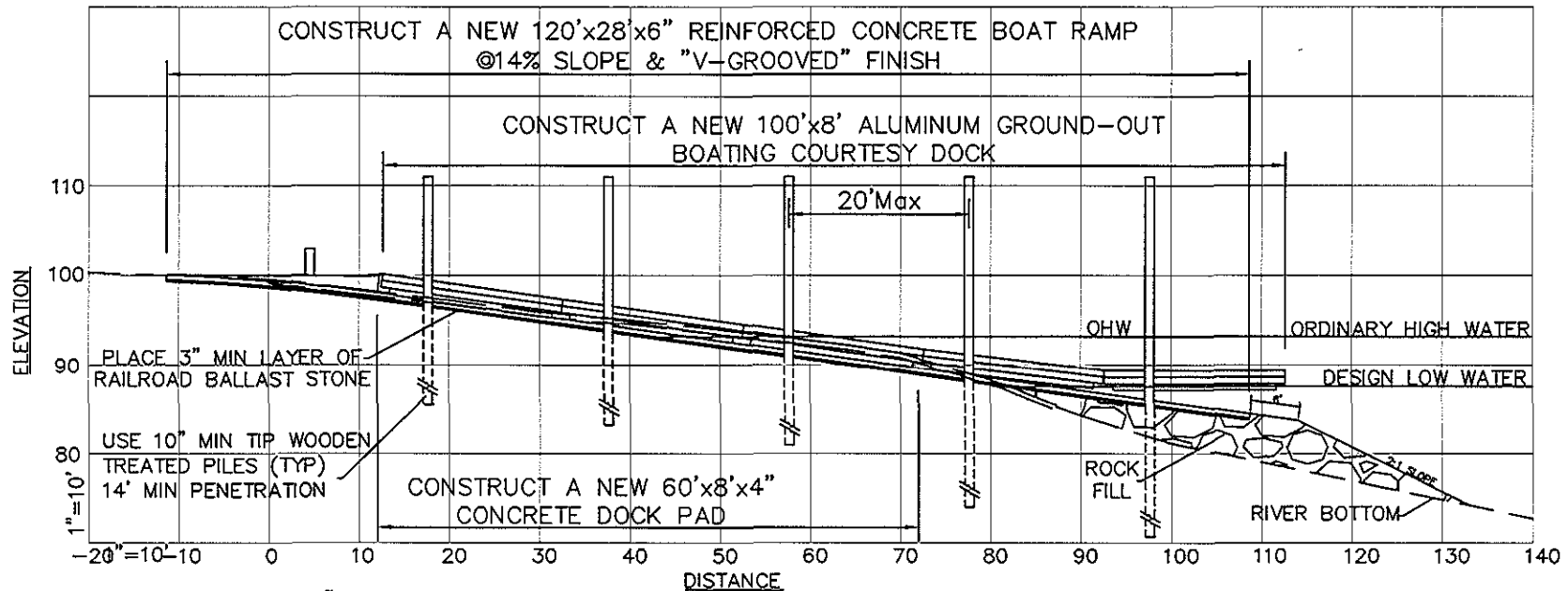
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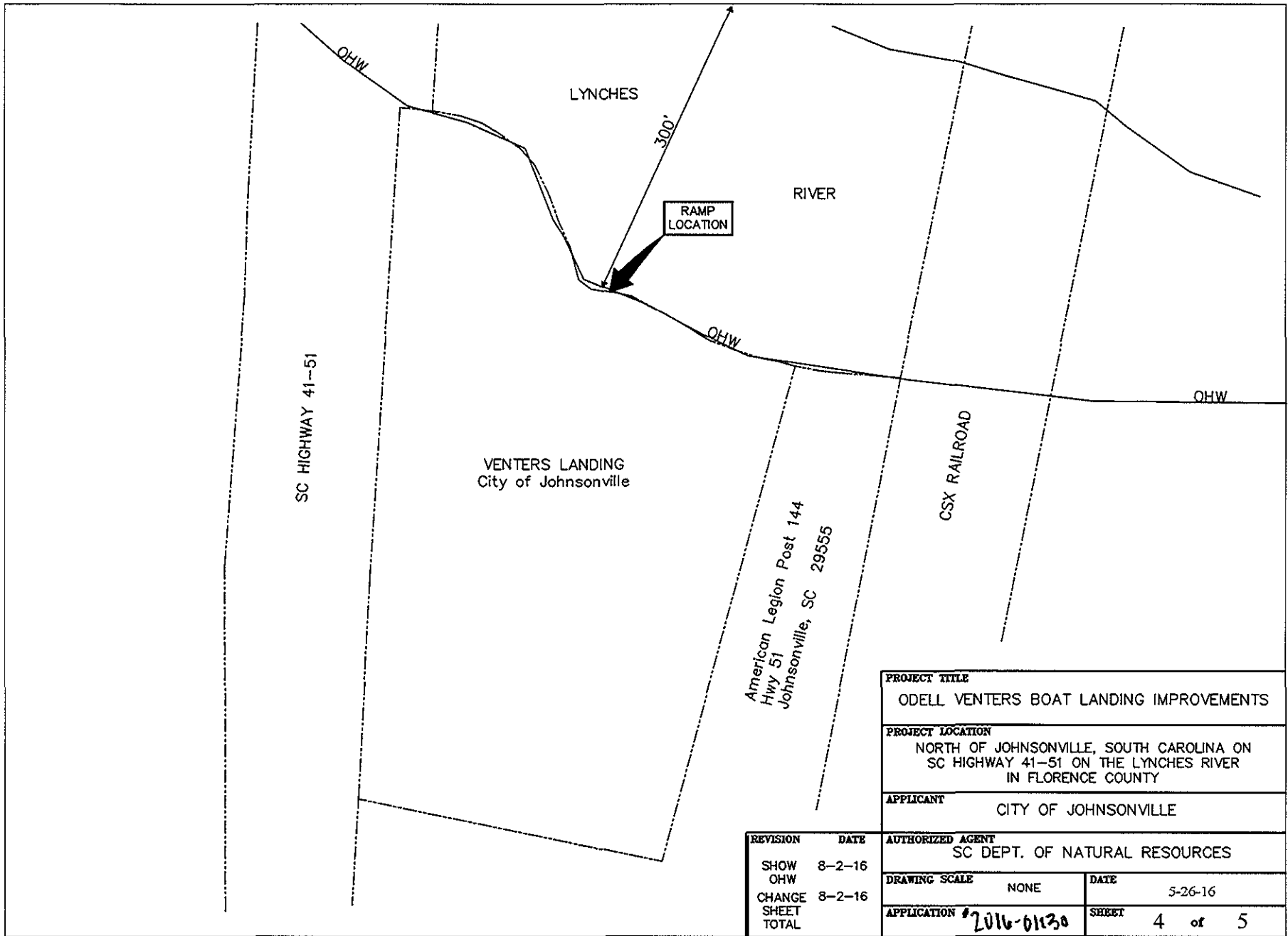
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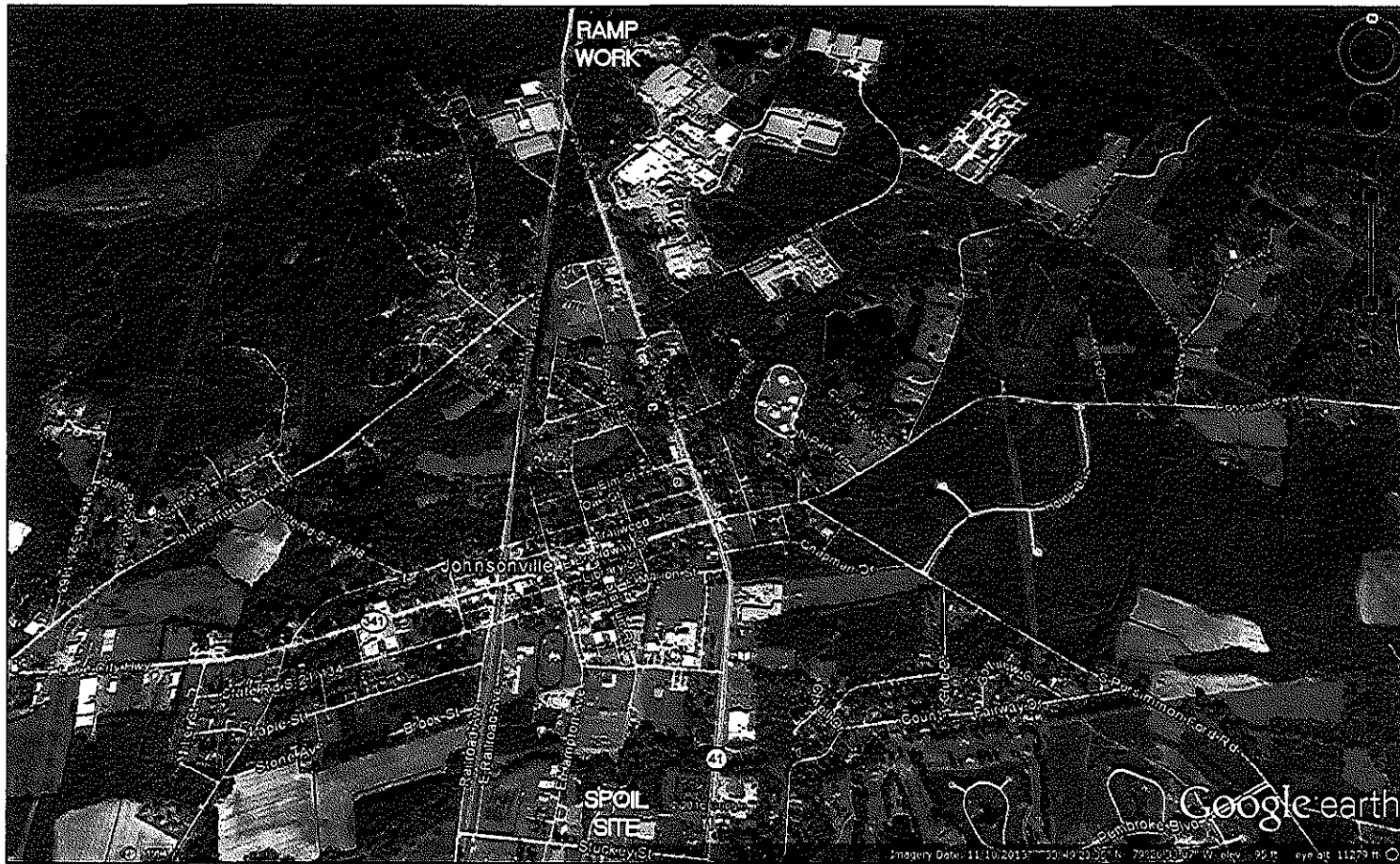
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\* PROPOSED SPOIL SITE FOR THE ODELL VENTERS IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED ON STUCKEY ROAD. AN AREA 50FT x 50FT WILL BE CORDONED OFF WITH STANDARD SILT FENCE AND THE MATERIALS WILL BE TRUCKED IN AND DUMPED TO DRY AT THIS LOCATION AND UTILIZED BY THE CITY FOR BACKFILL FOR UTILITY REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

\* ALL CONCRETE MATERIAL SHALL BE BROKEN UP AND UTILIZED AS FILL AND STABILIZATION MATERIAL WITH ALL EXPOSED REBAR REMOVED.

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