

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

REGULATORY DIVISION
Refer to: P/N SAC-2008-02285

21 DECEMBER 2017

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

Myrtle Beach Watersports
C/O The EARTWORKS Group
P.O. Box 201
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29579

for a permit to construct floating docks that will include provisions for the docking and storage of fourteen (14) personal watercrafts (PWC) and mooring locations for other watercrafts in

ATLANTIC INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY (AIWW)

at a location described as 101 Fantasy Harbour Boulevard, situated between the Clarion Hotel and Boathouse Tavern, near the City of Myrtle Beach, in the Conway Township, Horry County, South Carolina (Latitude: 33.7130°N, Longitude: -78.9243°W), Myrtle Beach Quad.

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 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 construction of a commercial docking facility. In detail,

the proposed work involves removing the existing floating dock and replacing it with an 88' long, 888 S.F. floating "main" dock with 768 S.F. of area designated for approximately twelve (12) floating Jet-Port PWC docks (approximately 11' x 5' each). The existing 3' x 30' ramp will be shortened (or replaced) to a length of 18' to accommodate the new dock configuration. To increase temporary mooring area and reduce pedestrian crowding during peak recreation times, dockage will be expanded by adding five (5) 8' X 32' floating dock units in the AIWW. The proposed additions would see one (1) floating dock unit extend southwest from the main dock and four (4) floating dock units extend northeast, with two (2) additional floating Jet-Ports (9' X 4' ea., 72 S.F.) attached at the northeastern most extent. The applicant offered no compensatory mitigation for impacts associated with the project. It is understood that this work is to be conducted on/or adjacent to an area subject to a prism and/or disposal area held by the United States. Appropriate provisions will be included in the permit to ensure the interests of the Federal Government are understood. The project purpose as stated by the applicant is to increase commercial dockage at this location for public use during peak recreational times of the year.

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. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions of the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). 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 0.05 acres 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 West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), Green Sea Turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle (*Lepidochelys kempii*), Leatherback Sea Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), Loggerhead Sea Turtle (*Carretta caretta*), Shortnose Sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*), and Atlantic sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus*), Federally *endangered* species are present in the vicinity of the project. However, it has been determined that the project will have no effect on Shortnose Sturgeon

(*Acipenser brevirostrum*), Atlantic sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus*), Green Sea Turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle (*Lepidochelys kempii*), Leatherback Sea Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), or Loggerhead Sea Turtle (*Carretta caretta*), and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. Additionally, the District Engineer has determined that the project is not likely to adversely affect the West Indian Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*) or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. This public notice serves as a request for written concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service on this determination.

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.

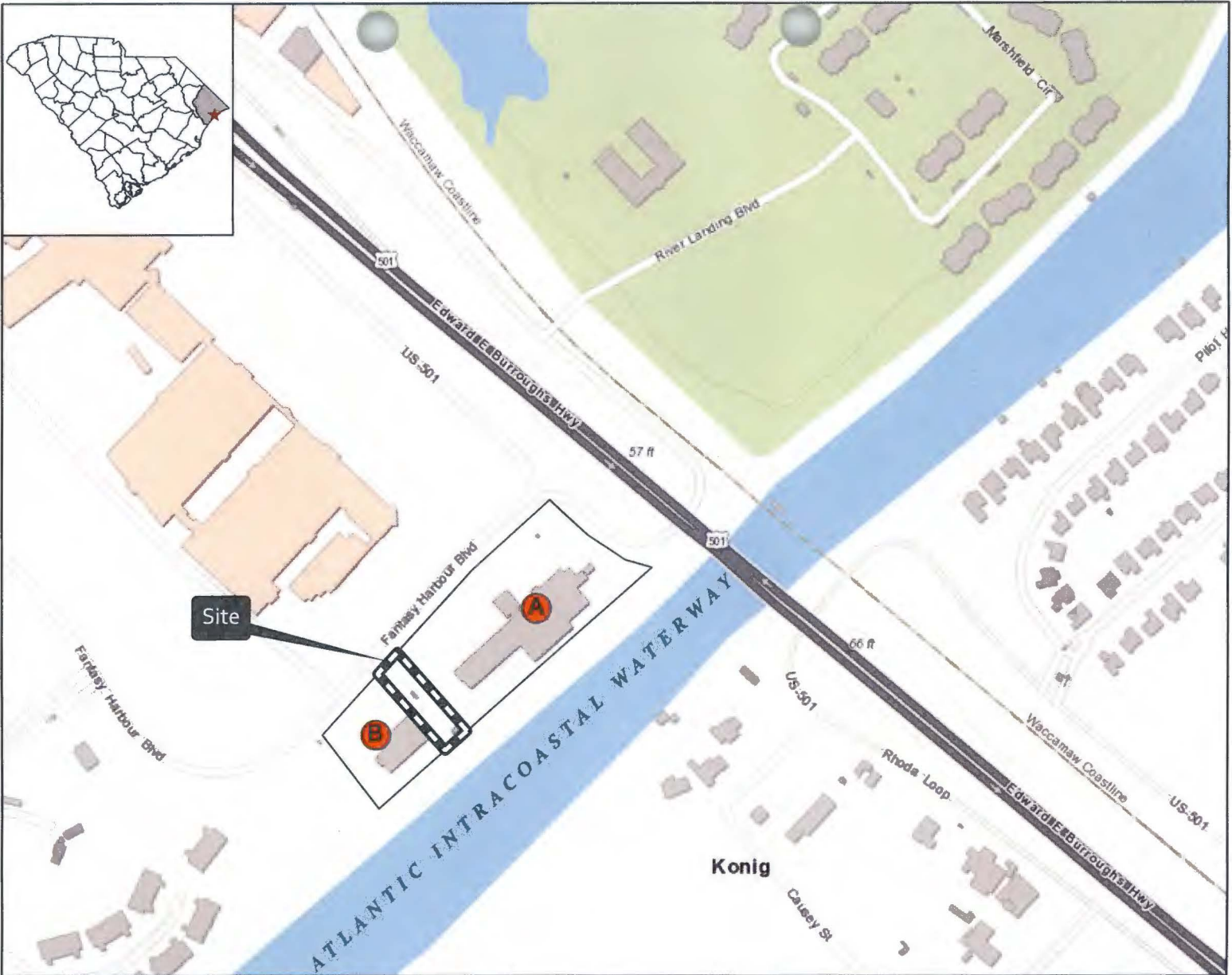
The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All 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:**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION
1949 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD, ROOM 140
CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA 29526**

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Rob Huff, Watershed Manager, at (843) 365-4239.



TMS#	PIN#	OWNER	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP
A	172-00-05-049	426-05-04-0004	Coastal Hotel Properties, LLC	4702 Oleander Drive Myrtle Beach, SC 29577
B	172-00-05-164	426-05-04-0002	SOCO Holdings, LLC	201 Fantasy Harbour Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577



SITE / VICINITY
 MYRTLE BEACH WATERSPORTS
 COMMERCIAL DOCK MODIFICATION

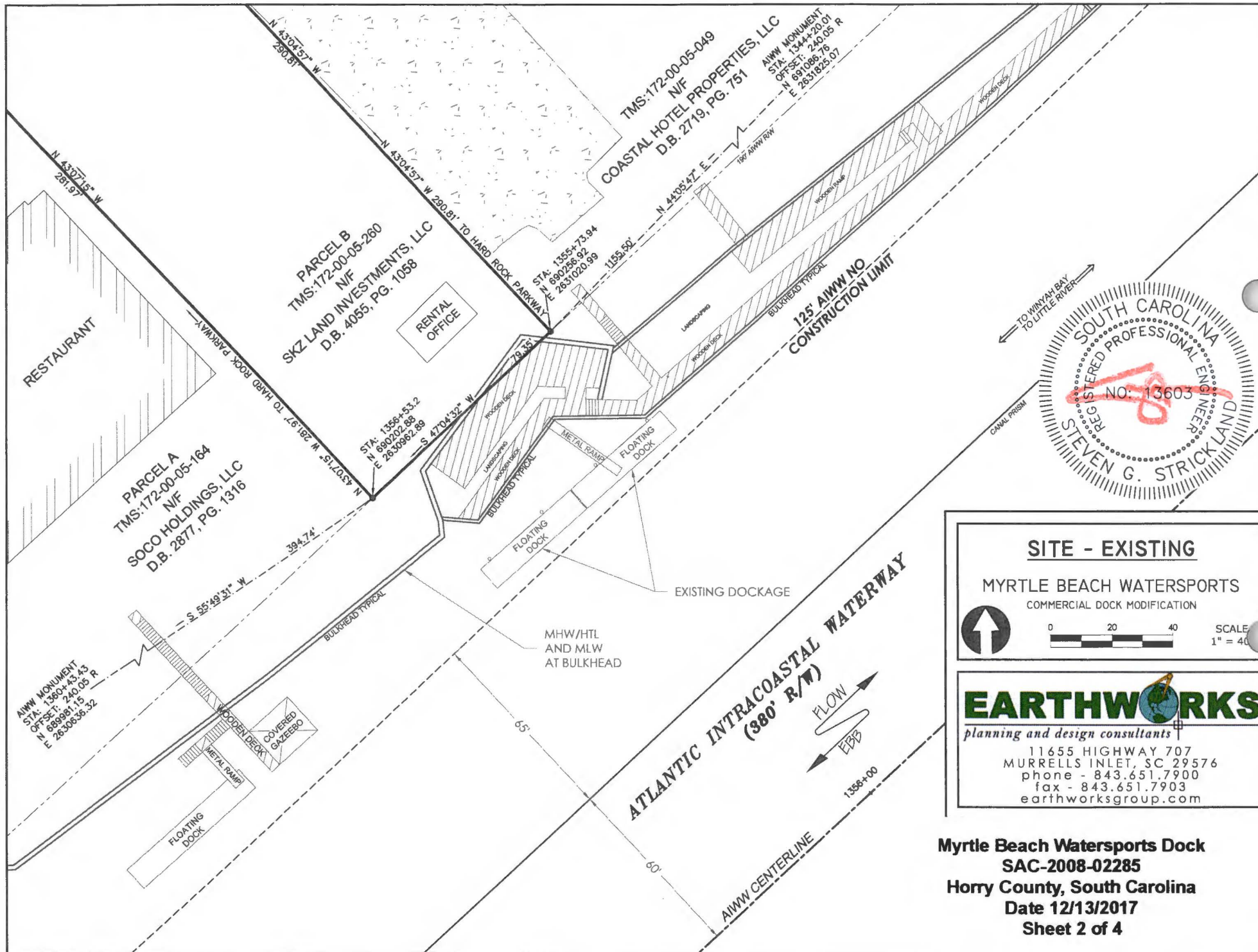



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 1" = 500'

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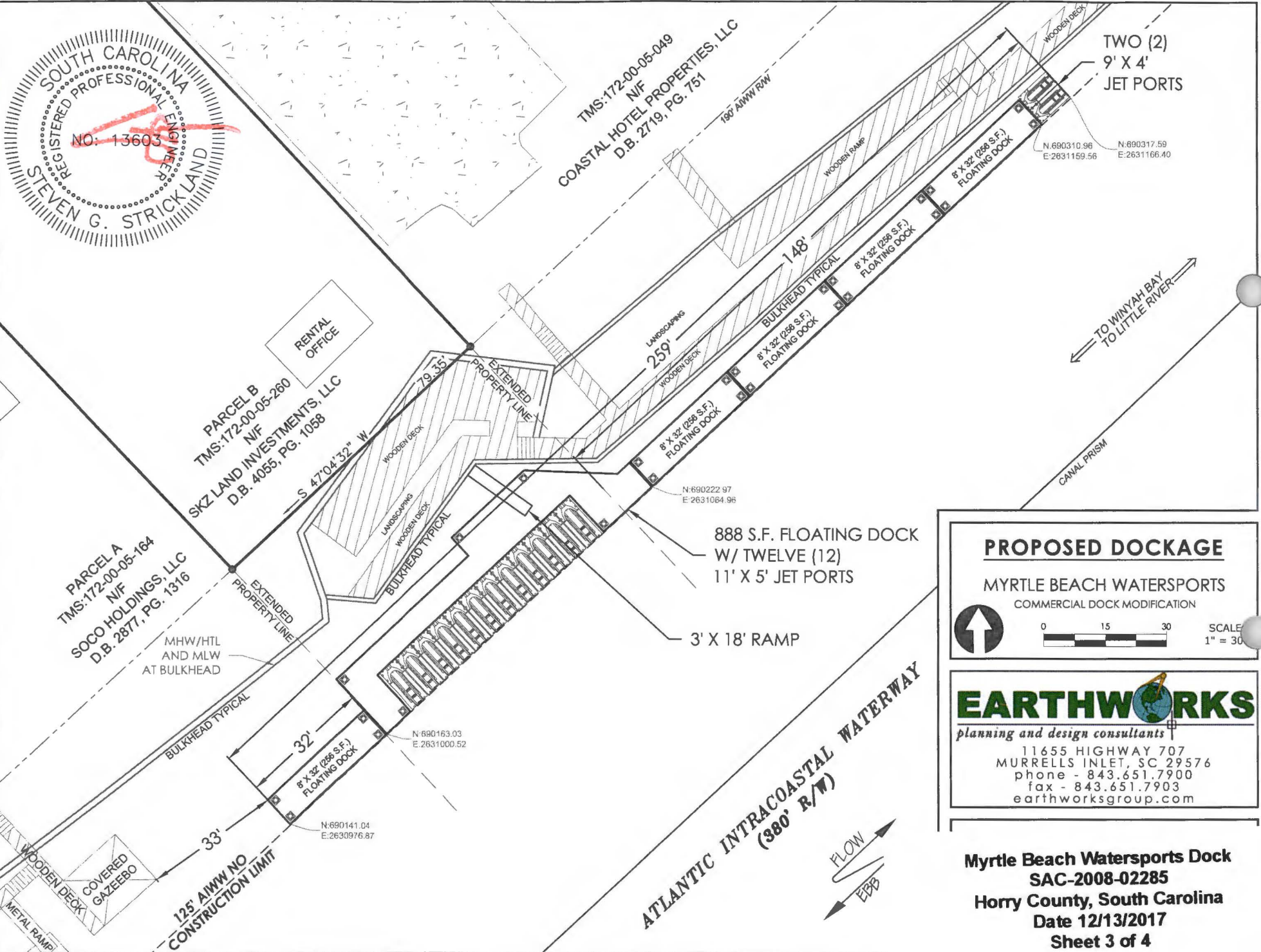
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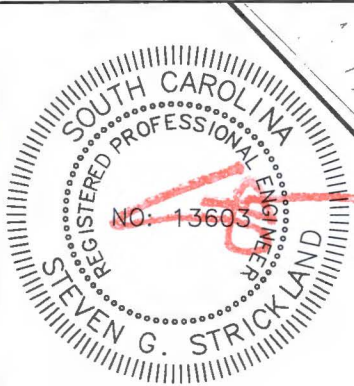
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PROPOSED DOCKAGE

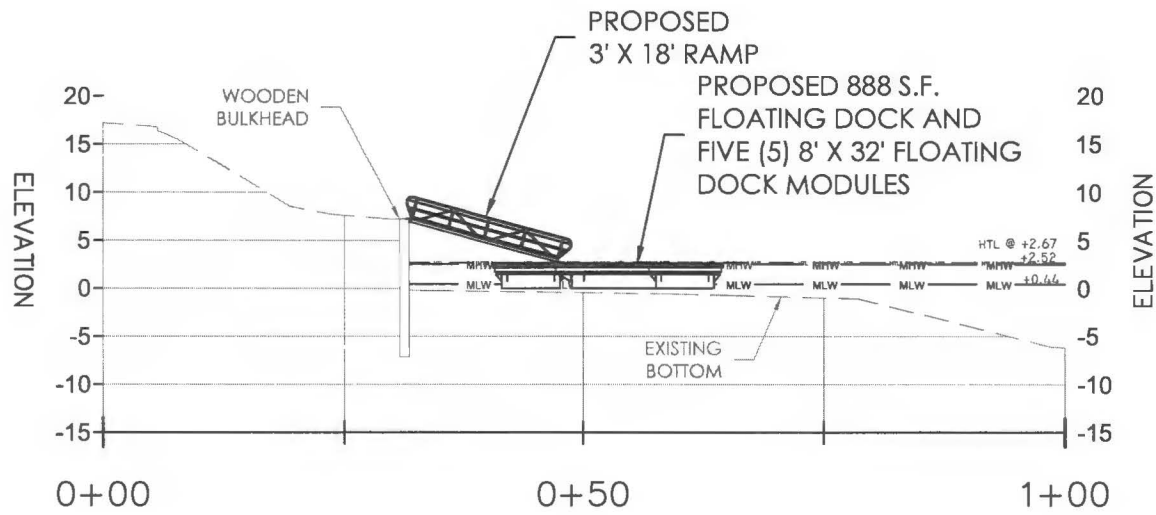
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NOTES
 DATUM = NVGD 29

FLOATING DOCS WILL NOT REST ON
 BOTTOM DURING NORMAL LOW TIDE

PROPOSED DOCKAGE
SECTION VIEW
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APPLICANT: **MYRTLE BEACH WATERSPORTS**
 361 HARBOURVIEW DRIVE
 MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29579

LOCATION: FANSASY HARBOUR BLVD. & AIWW
 MYRTLE BEACH, HORRY COUNTY

LAT/LONG: 33.713288, -78.924885
 USGS QUAD: MYRTLE BEACH

DATE: 12/13/17

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