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
North Charleston, South Carolina 29405

REGULATORY DIVISION

Refer to: P/N SAC-2021-00598

May 28, 2021

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

Mr. Scott Utsey
True Homes
2649 Brekonridge Centre Drive
Monroe, North Carolina 28110

for a permit to fill 0.99 acre of jurisdictional freshwater wetlands to construct a residential development in

wetlands adjacent to Fishburne Creek

at a location off Delmar Highway in Dorchester County, South Carolina (Latitude: 32.8938°, Longitude: -80.2663°), Clubhouse Crossroads, SC 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 constructing a master-planned residential community. In detail, 0.81 acre of jurisdictional freshwater wetlands will be filled to construct access roads and 0.18 acre of jurisdictional freshwater wetland will be temporarily impacted to trench utility lines in place. The 0.18 acre of jurisdictional wetland within the utility easement will be converted and maintained from a forested vegetative community to an emergent vegetative community. 2.33

acres of non-jurisdictional freshwater wetlands will be filled to construct access roads and for residential lots. The applicant has proposed to mitigate for impacts to the jurisdictional wetlands by purchasing 8.2 in-kind credits from a Corps approved mitigation bank. The project purpose is to construct a residential development that will meet the rising housing needs in the Charleston Tri-County Area (Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester Counties).

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 0.99 acre of jurisdictional freshwater wetlands located 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 the American wood stork (*Mycteria americana*), red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*), Atlantic sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus*), shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*), American chaffseed (*Schwalbea americana*), Canby's dropwort (*Oxypolis canbyi*), and pondberry (*Lindera melissifolia*); and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. Furthermore, the District Engineer has determined that the project is not likely to adversely affect the Northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*).

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)(I)(1)), and has initially determined that there are historic properties present, but they will not be affected; therefore, there will be no effect on historic properties. This public notice serves to notify the State Historic Preservation Office that the Corps plans to initiate Section 106 consultation on these 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 other interested parties to provide any information they may have with regard to historic properties.

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. 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 Leslie.A.Estill@usace.army.mil or to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION 69A Hagood Avenue Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107 If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Leslie Estill, Project Manager, at (843) 329-8039, or by email at Leslie.A.Estill@usace.army.mil.

DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

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May 10, 2021



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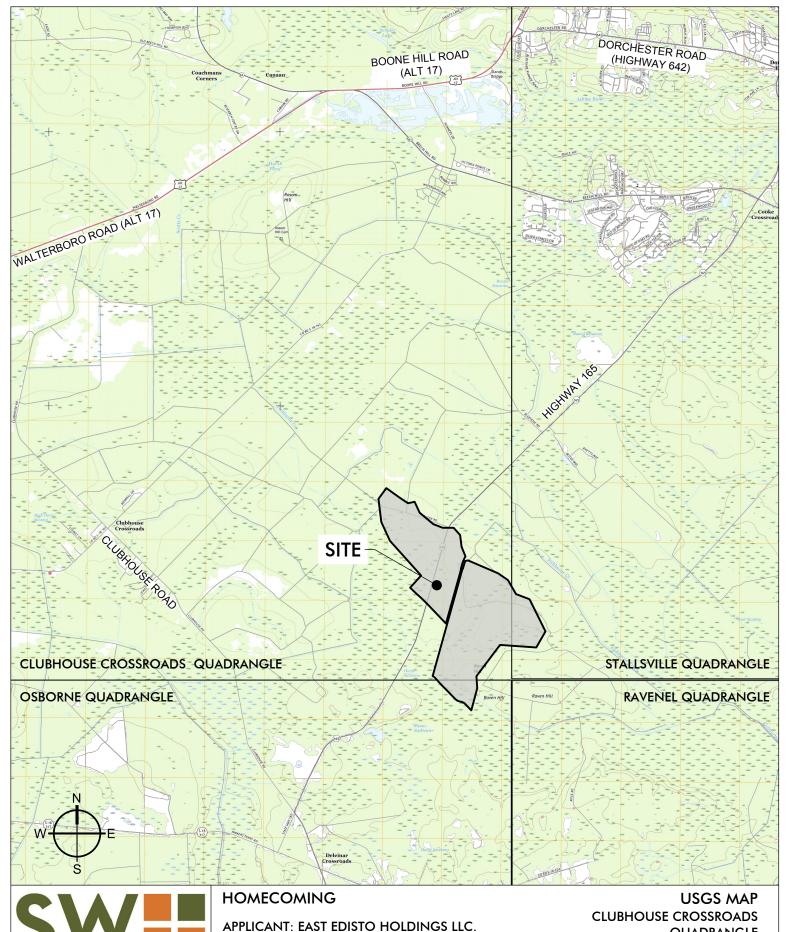




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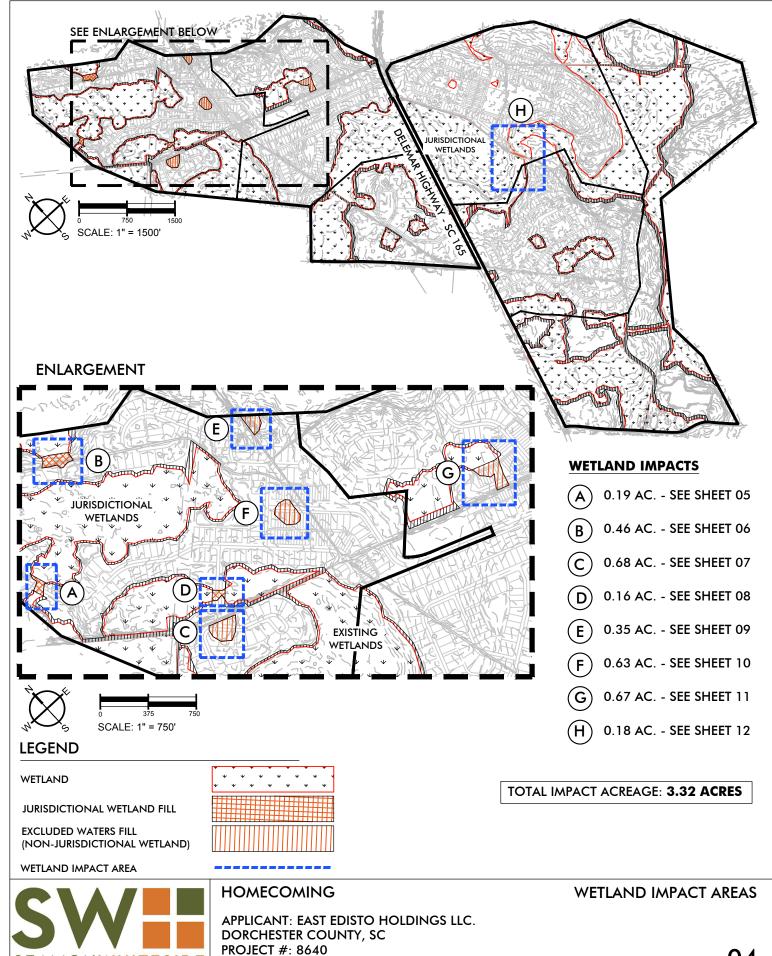
PROJECT TOTALS				
PROJECT AREA		861.42	ac	
	TOTAL UPLAND	557.38	ac	
	TOTAL FRESHWATER WETLAND	304.04	ac	
	TOTAL JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS	0.99	ac	
WETLAND IMPACTS	ROAD/UTILITY CROSSING FILL	0.81	ac	
A, B, D, & H	TEMPORARY UTILITY IMPACT	0.18	ac	
TOTAL EXCLUDED V	WATERS (NON-JURISDICTIONAL) IMPACTS	2.33	ac	
WETLAND IMPACTS	DEVELOPMENT FILL	1.01	ac	
C, E, F, & G	ROAD/UTILITY CROSSING FILL	1.32	ac	
TOTAL WETLAND PRESERVATION		300.32	a	
WETLAND BUFFER (25' AVERAGE WIDTH)		51.11	a	
WETLANDS WITHIN	EXISTING UTILITY EASEMENTS	2.89	a	



PROJECT SUMMARY

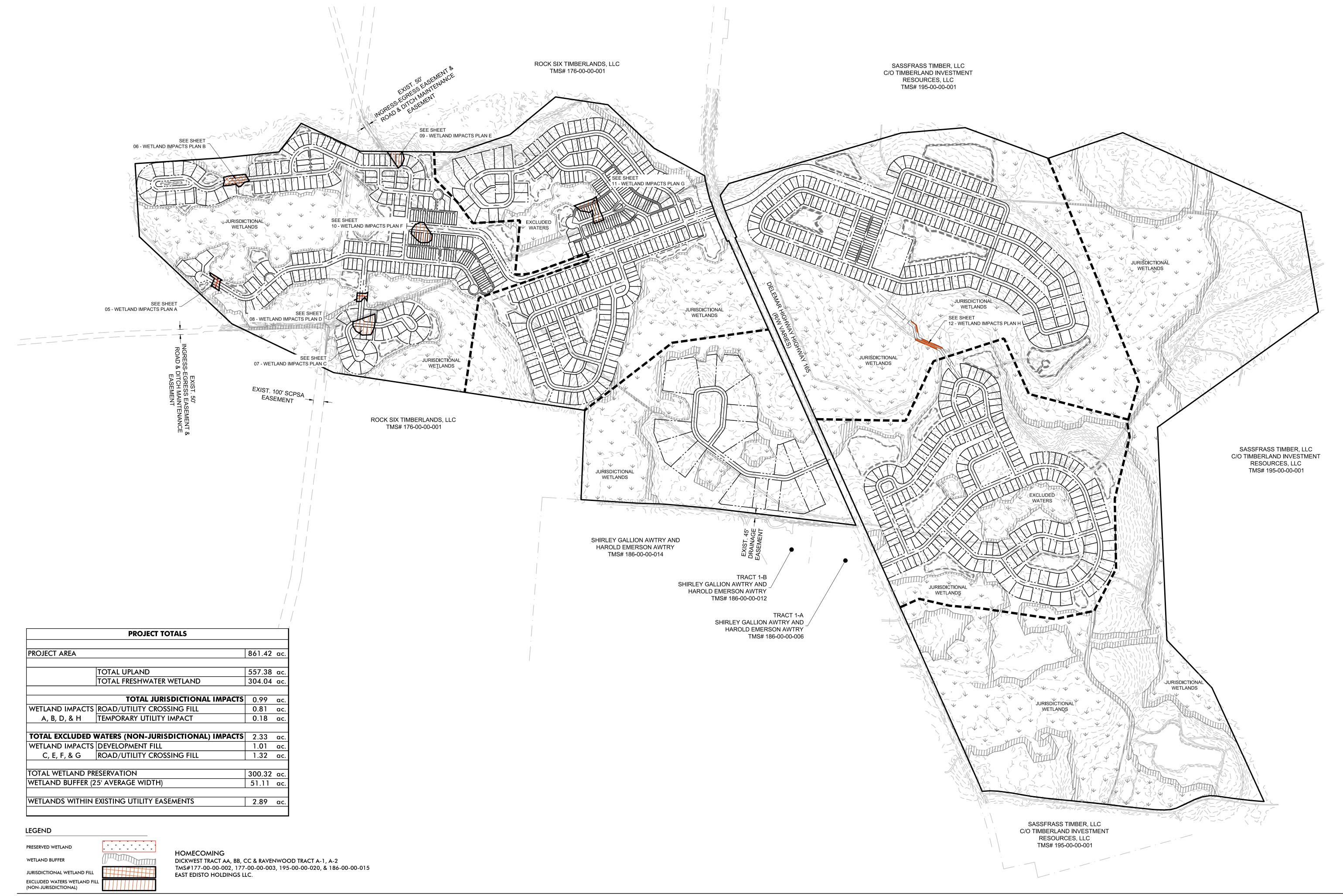
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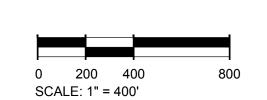


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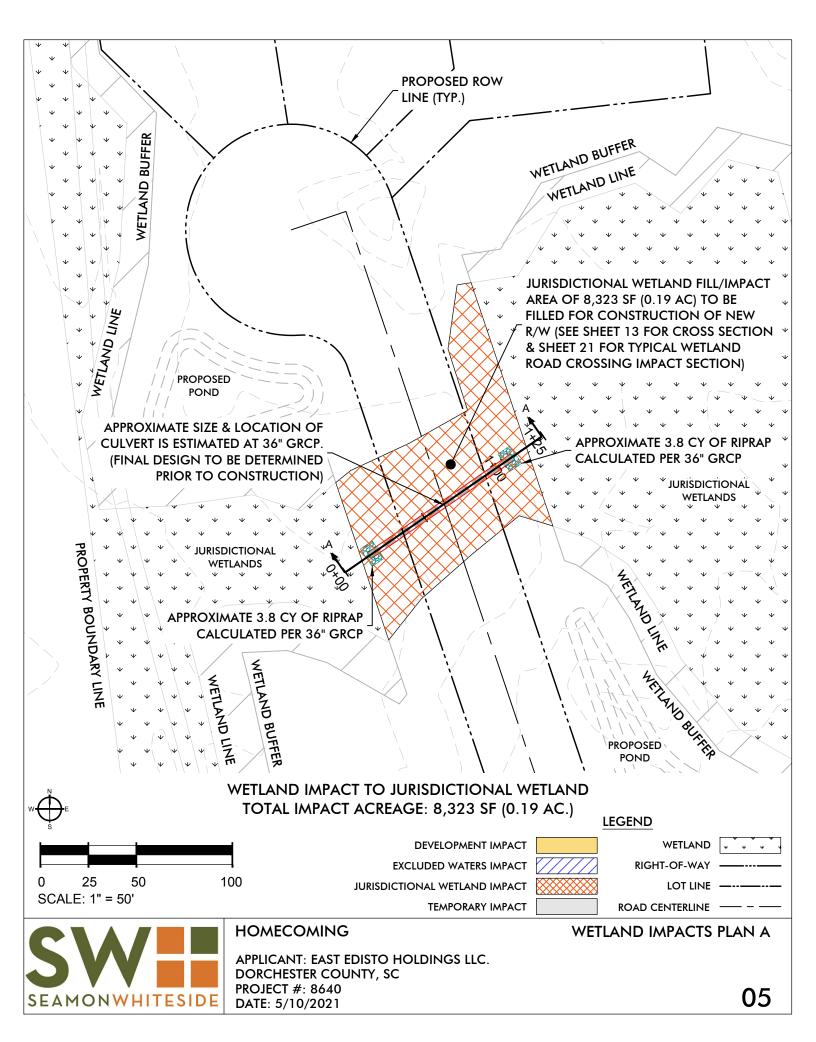


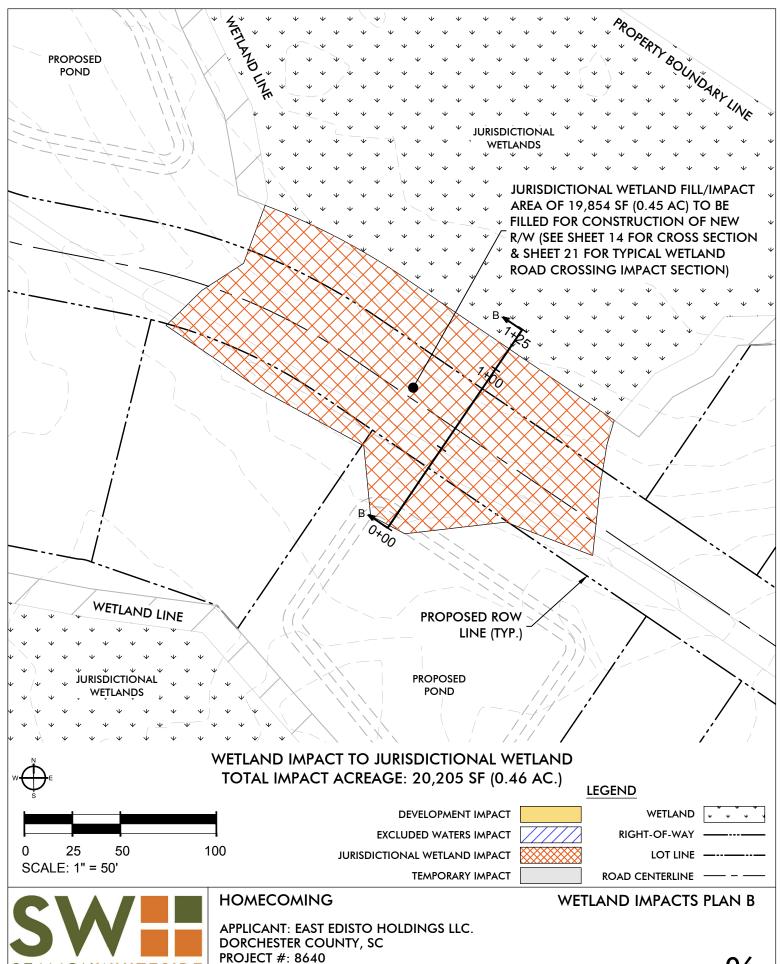
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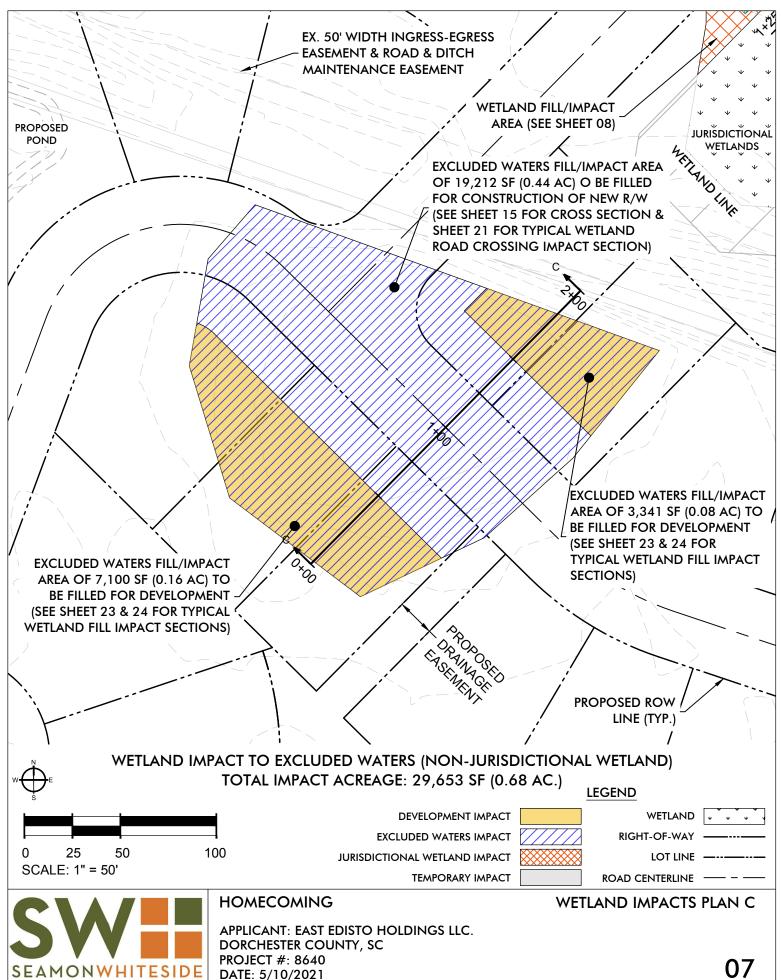


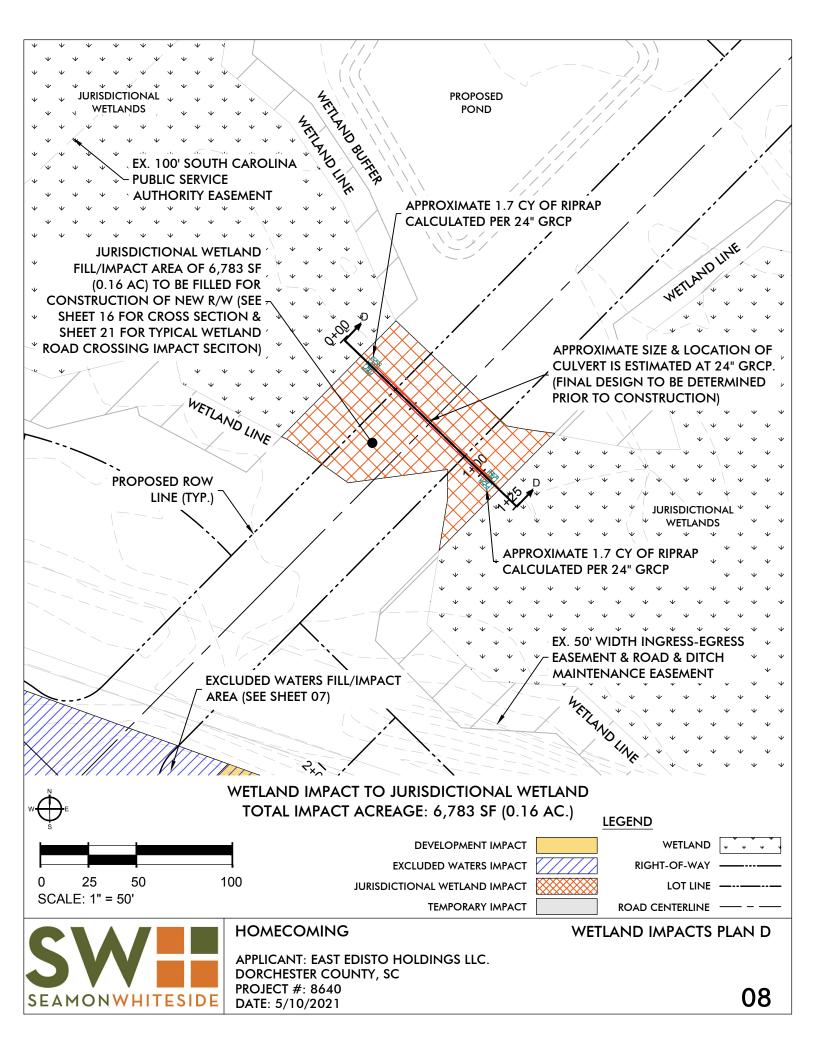


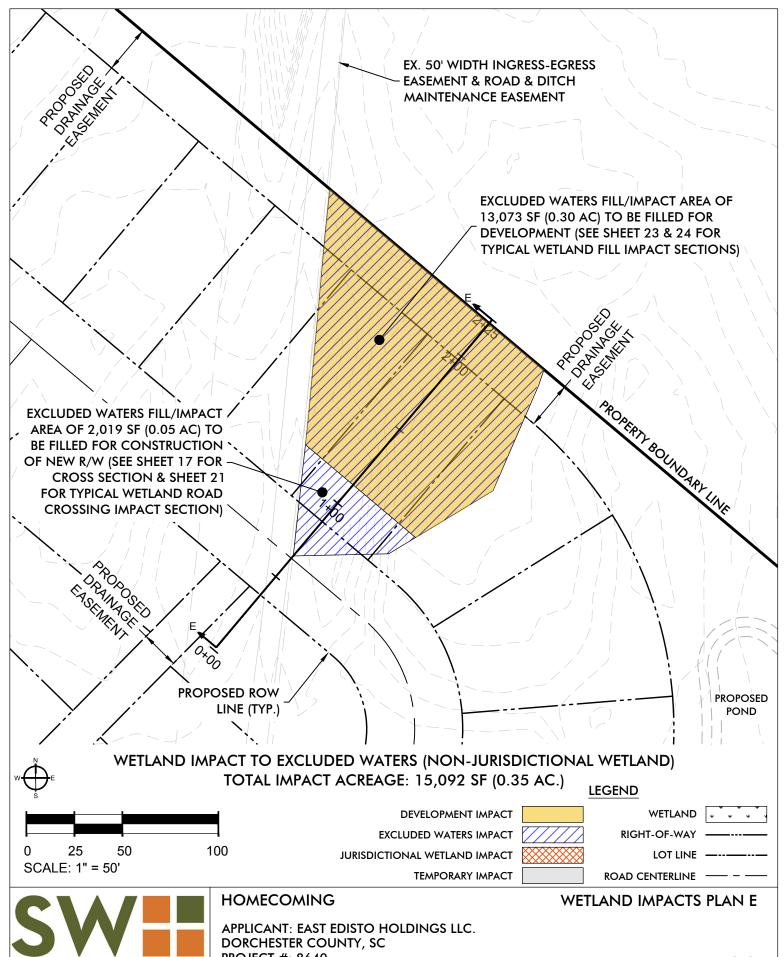


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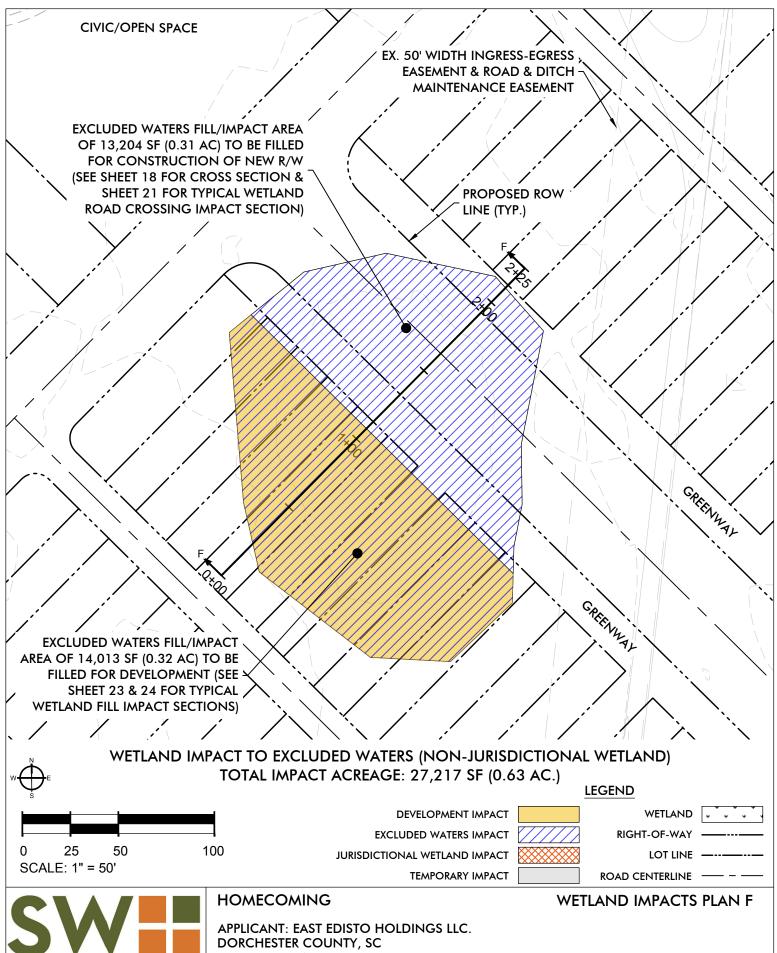






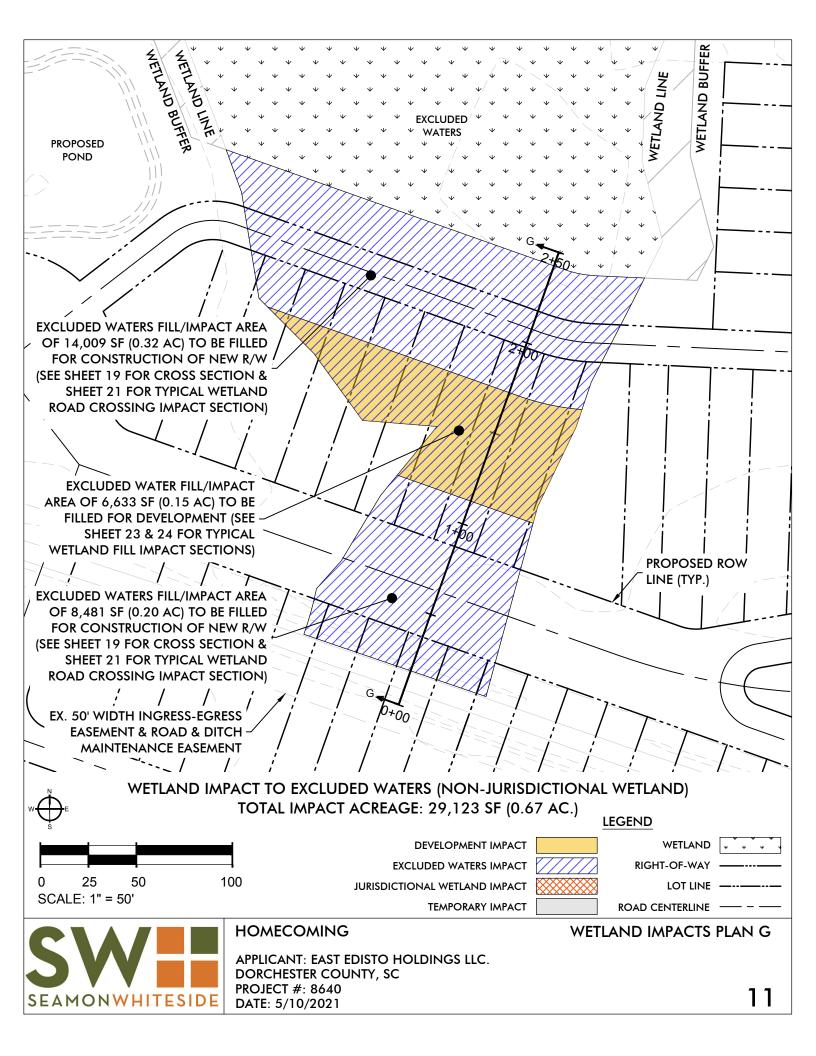
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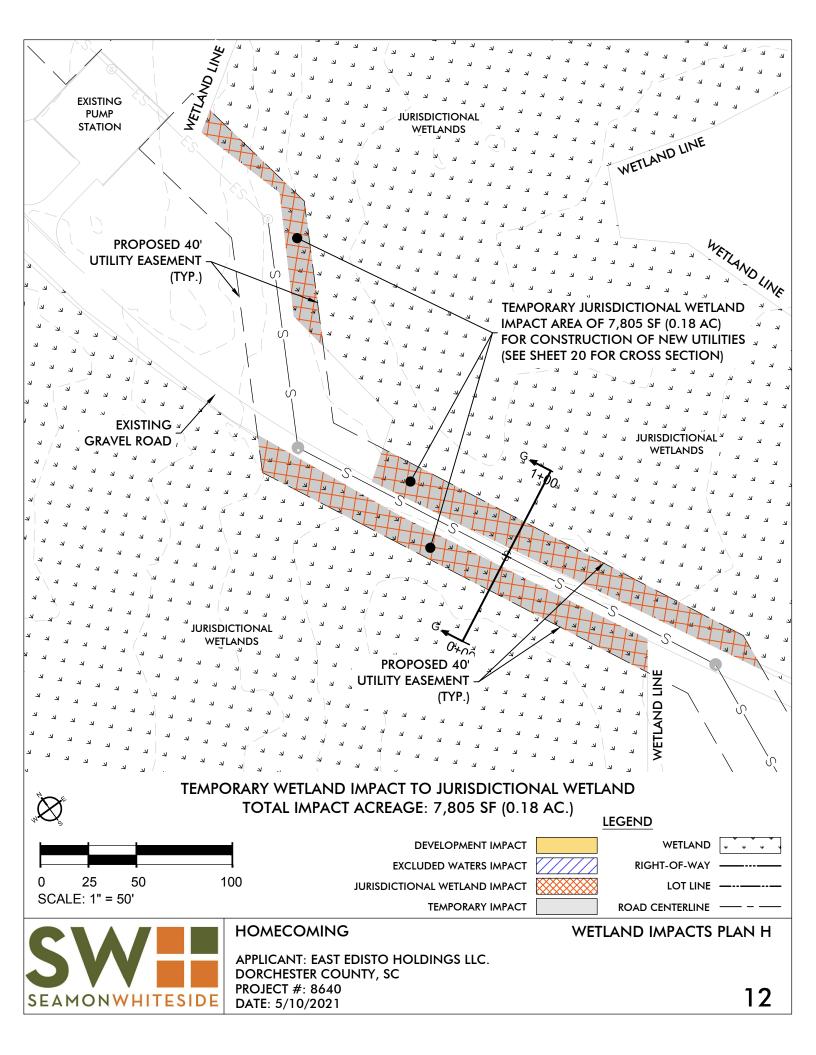
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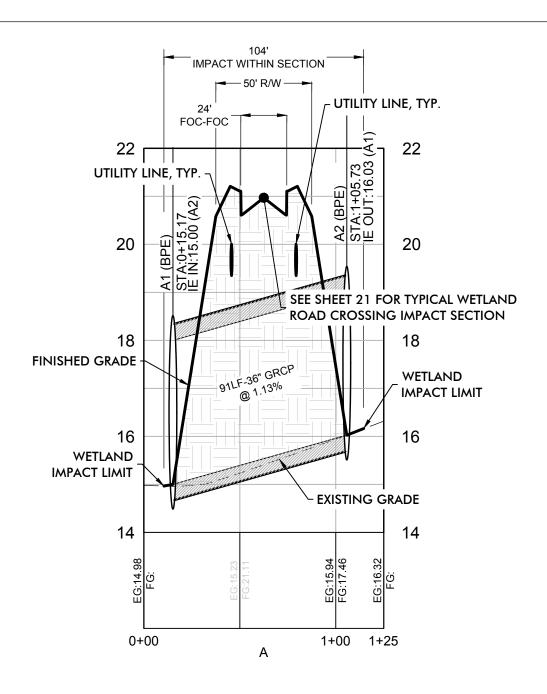


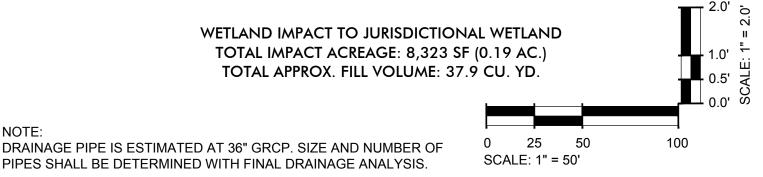
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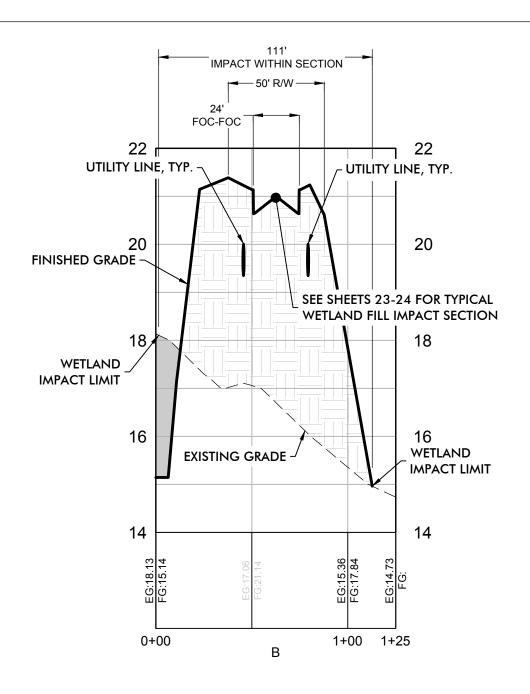
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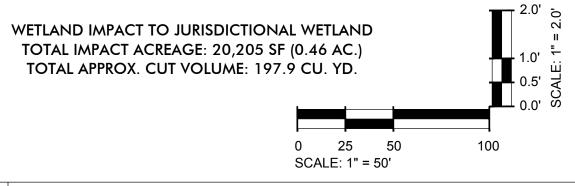
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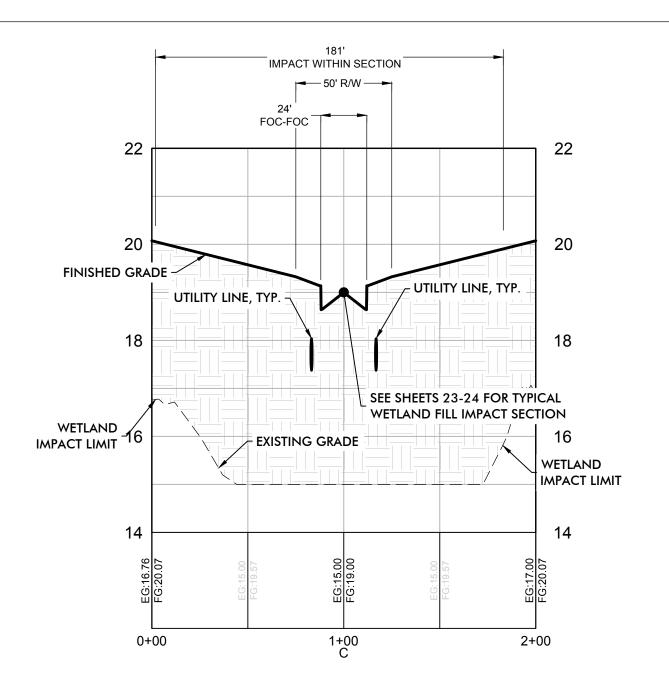


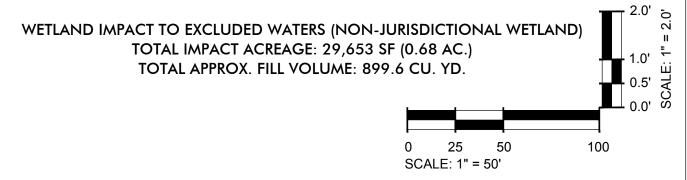


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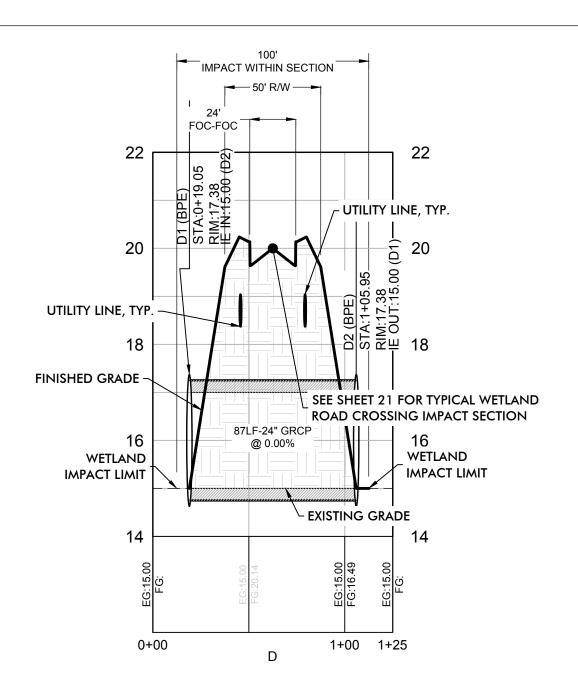


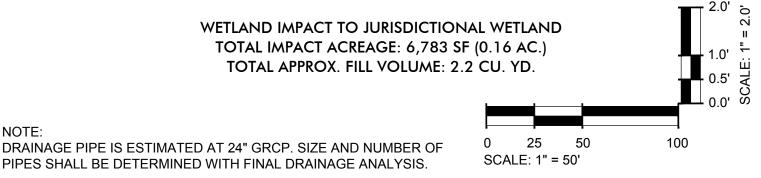


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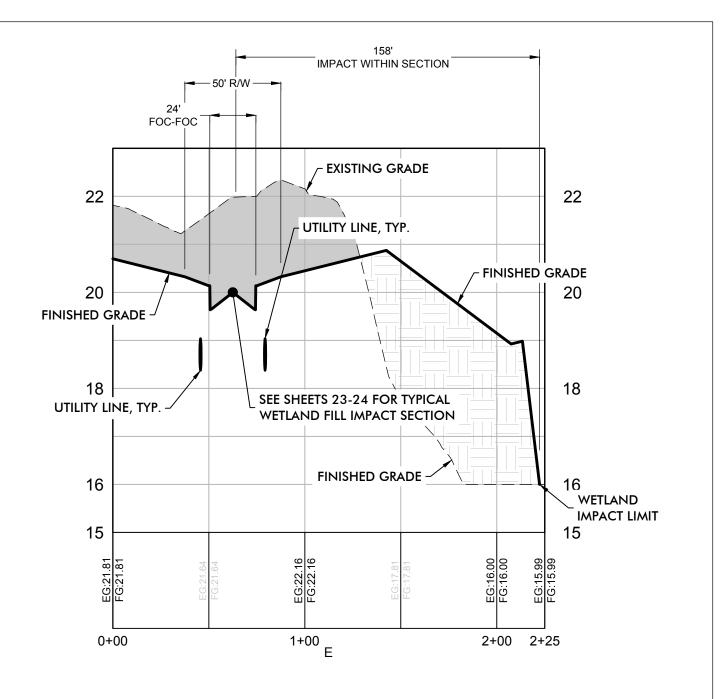
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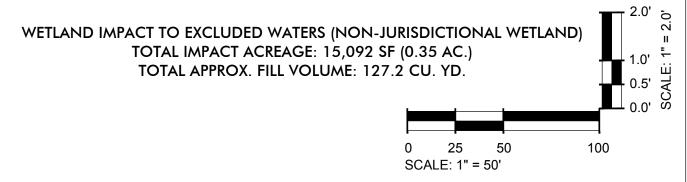
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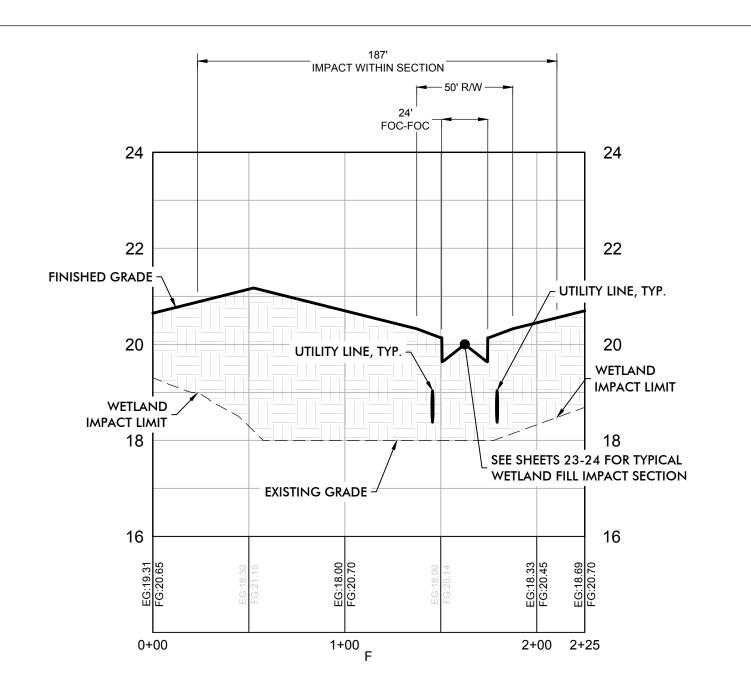


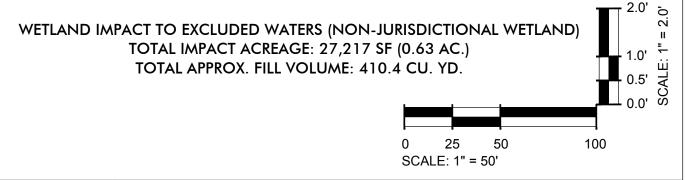


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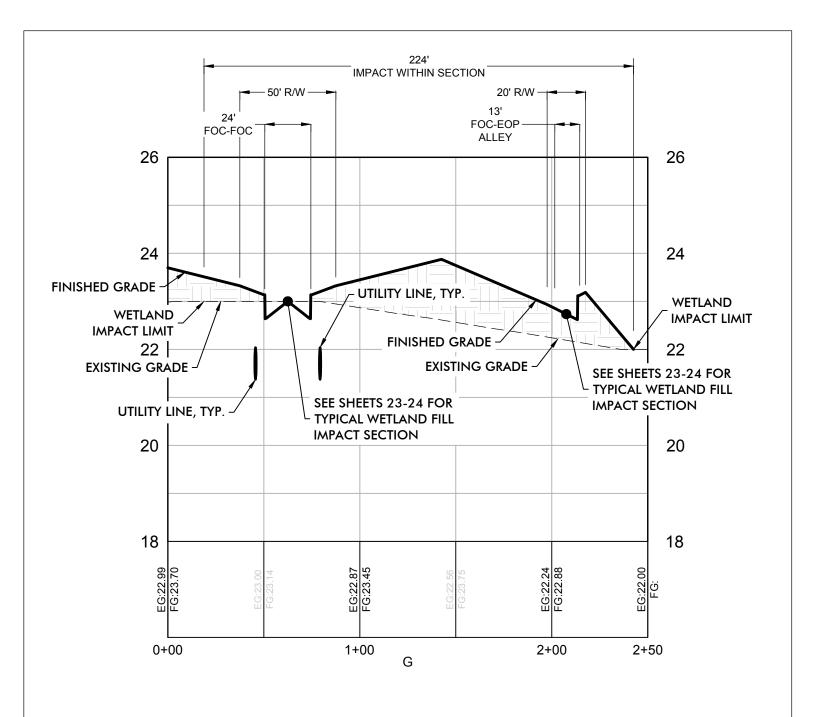


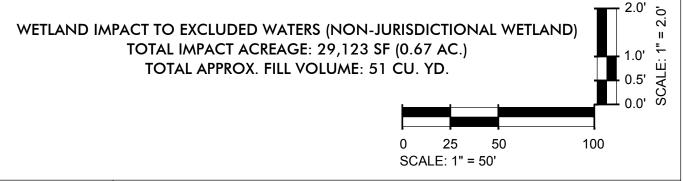


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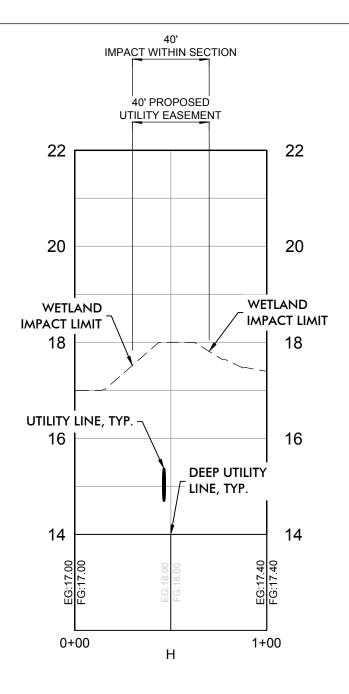


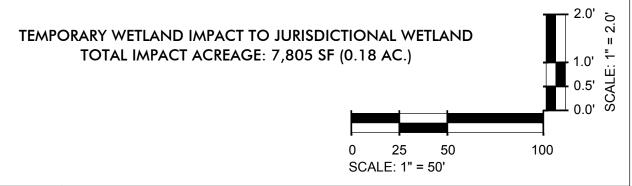


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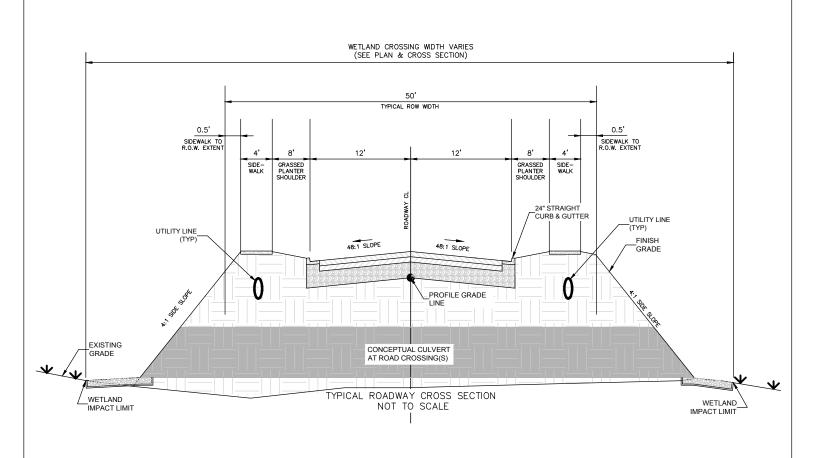




WETLAND IMPACTS CROSS SECTION H

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TYPICAL WETLAND ROAD CROSSING WITH CULVERT (NOT TO SCALE)

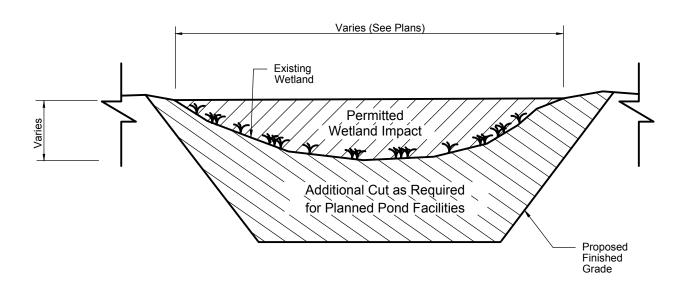


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TYPICAL WETLAND ROAD **CROSSING IMPACT SECTION**



TYPICAL WETLAND CUT FOR STORMWATER POND (NOT TO SCALE)

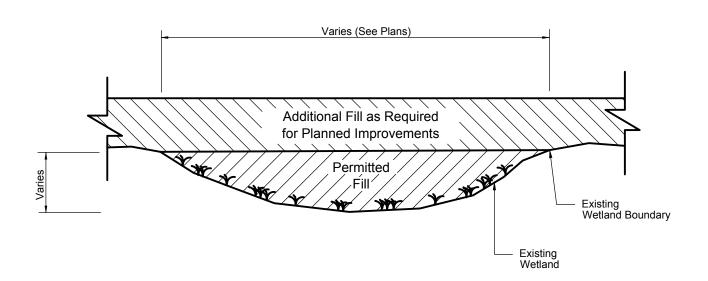


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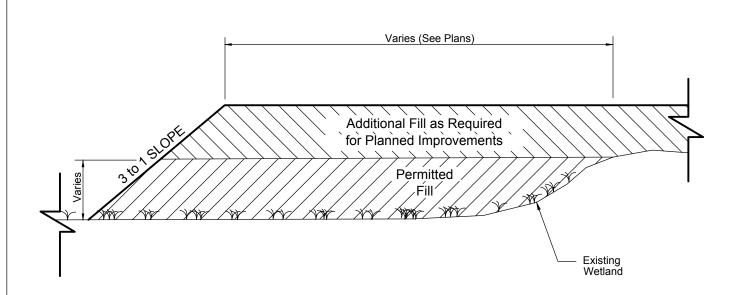


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TYPICAL PARTIAL WETLAND FILL (NOT TO SCALE)



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