

JOINT
PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION
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 SAC-2012-0833-4E

17 SEPTEMBER 2012

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), 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 State of South Carolina by

ROBERT R. NORRIS
c/o WENDELL C. POWERS
POWERS LAND SURVEYING
626 FRONT STREET
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA 29440

for a permit to construct a private use recreational dock on

BLACK MINGO CREEK

at a location southwest of SC Highway 512, west of SC Highway 41/51, south of the City of Hemingway, Williamsburg County, South Carolina (Latitude 33.624173, Longitude -79.440163).

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 construction of a private use recreational dock on Black Mingo Creek. In detail, the work consists the construction of a 12' X 16' fixed pierhead with a 4' X 8' ramp leading to a 8' X 10' floating dock. The property owner will access the dock via a 4' X 400' walkway. The purpose of the project, as stated by the applicant, is for private recreational use.

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
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The work shown on this application must be determined consistent with applicable provisions of the South Carolina Construction in Navigable Waters Permit Program. 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 navigable waters permit 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.

Preliminary review of the scope of work sought by this application indicates that State and Federal permits should be processed concurrently. If the Federal permit is issued in advance of the State's a special provision will be included in the Federal permit expressing the endorsement of the District Engineer to any revisions or conditions subsequently imposed by the State permit.

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 approximately 0.04 acres of 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.

Pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended), the District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project is not likely to adversely affect any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species 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 the NHPA, the District Engineer has also 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 project site is located adjacent to an archeological site and a site eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. This site is also located within a cultural resource survey area. To insure that other cultural resources 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 to provide any information it may have with regard to historic and cultural resources.

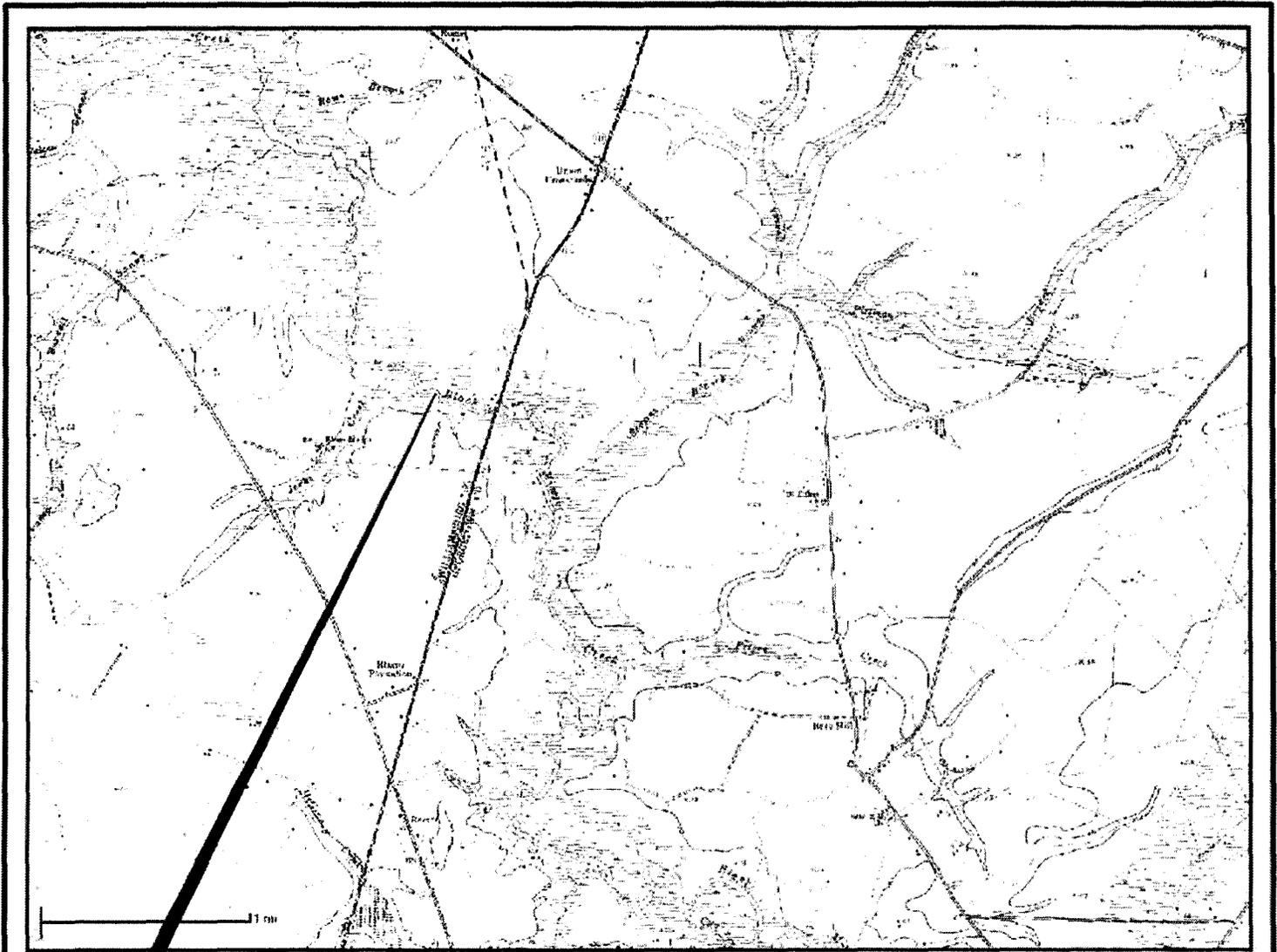
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state,

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 Ann Eaddy at 843-365-1709.



SITE

VICINITY MAP

NO SCALE

USGS QUADRANGLE MAP "?"

SHEET 1 OF 3

APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED
PRIVATE DOCK ON
BLACK MINGO CREEK
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY, S.C.

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T.M.#45-472-007

SC PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY
P.O. BOX 388
MONCK'S CORNER, SC
T.M.#45-484-011

HIGHLAND

POWERLINE R/W

BLACK MINGO CREEK
FLOOD
EBB

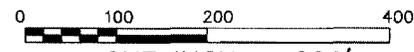
PROPOSED WALK (4'x400')

1500'±

75'±

600'±

PLAN VIEW



ONE INCH = 200'

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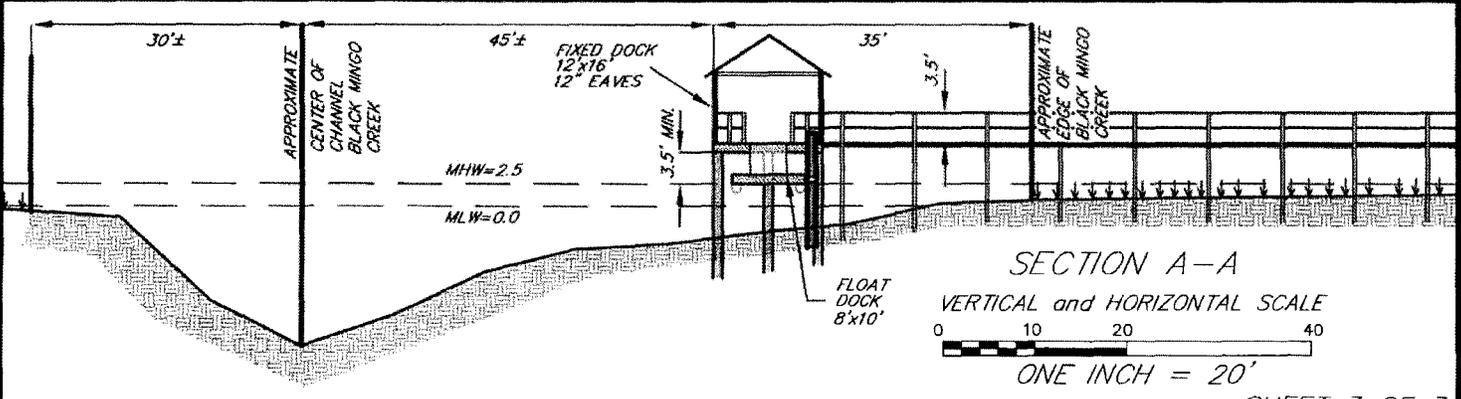
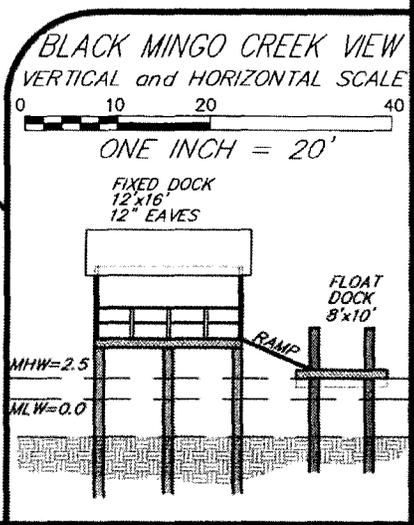
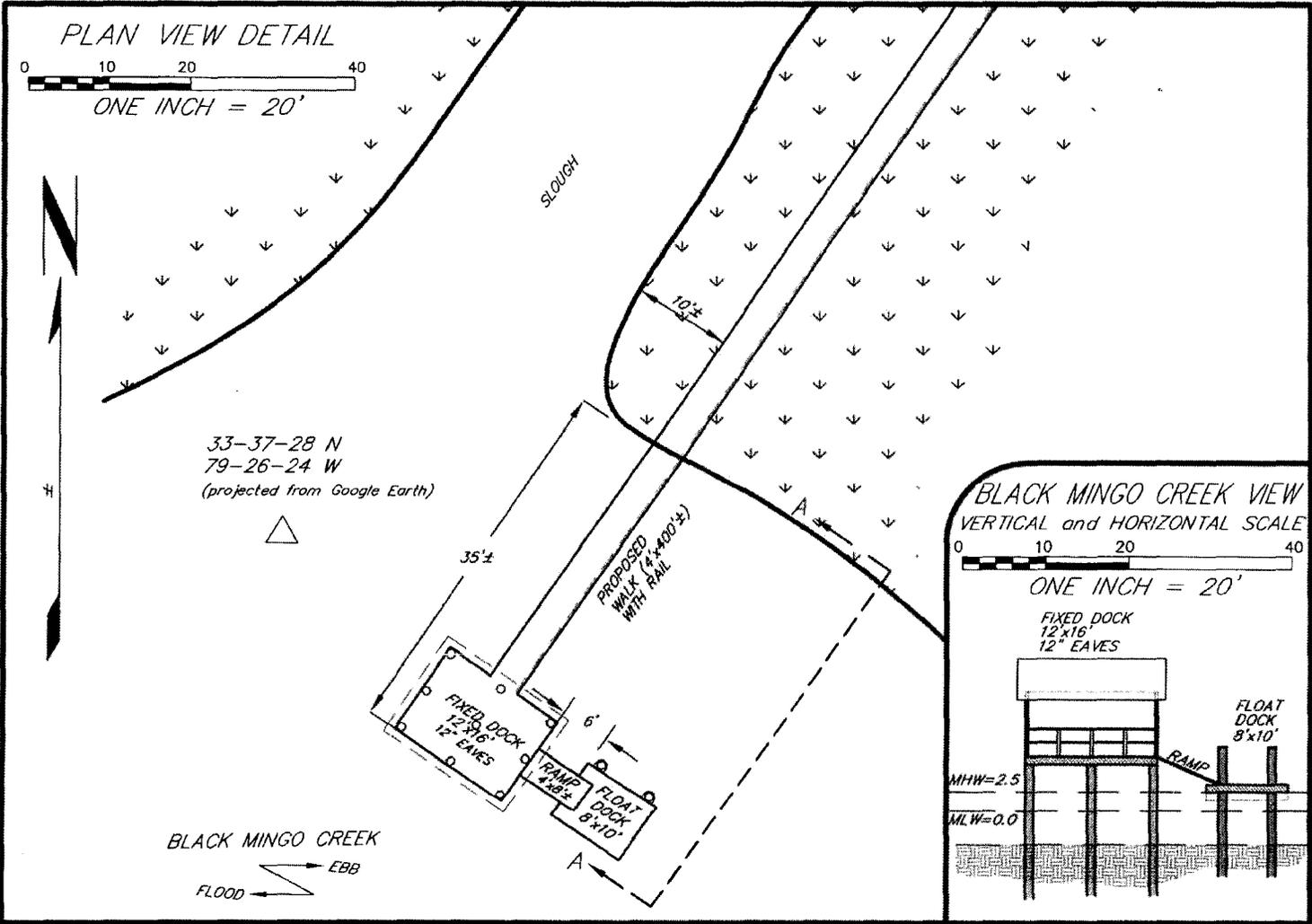
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