

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Fort McAllister State Park Dock
Bryan County, Georgia
Project Description
February 2018

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1.0 INTRODUCTION:

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources (GADNR) is proposing to modify the existing dock located off Savage Island Road on Savage Island in Bryan County, GA (31.881126°, -81.177140°). The dock is associated with the Fort McAllister State Park public campgrounds and boat ramp.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND PROJECT PURPOSE:

The existing dock has been in existence for over 40 years and has been used as a fishing pier and boat docking by patrons of the park. Since construction, minor modifications and maintenance has been performed by the GADNR to provide continued boating and fishing experience. The facility currently contains 65 tent, trailer/RV campsites, and backcountry campsites. Because of the popularity of the campground and high volume, the dock is overcrowded during peak season. The proposed project will modify the existing dock configuration from a single gangway/float facility to a dual gangway/float facility with additional docking space to accommodate the high volume campground needs.

3.0 PROPOSED PROJECT:

The existing dock facility totals 2,378 sf and includes a fixed pier and platforms totaling 1,194 sf, an aluminum gangway totaling 104 square feet, and an aluminum floating dock totaling 1,080 square feet. The dock modification will add an aluminum gangway totaling 136 sf and an aluminum floating dock totaling 1,120 sf. The proposed modification will result in a 1,256-sf increase of dock facility.

3.1 Marshlands Component:

The marshlands component of the project is defined as part of the project in an estuarine area or any structure on or over an estuarine area, including but not limited to marinas, community docks, bridges, piers and bulkheads, requiring a permit under the Coastal Marshlands Protection Act. The marshlands component of the project includes the existing and proposed dock facilities associated with this application package.

3.2 Upland Component:

The upland component of the project is defined as all service areas, amenities and recreational areas located inland of the Coastal Marshlands Protection Act jurisdiction line, that serve or augment the functioning of the marshlands component of the project such as but not limited to dry stack boat storage, dock master shop, fuel storage and delivery facilities to serve the marshlands component of the project. The project will not include modification to upland areas, development of upland areas or land disturbance to upland areas.

3.3 Stormwater Management:

The project will maintain current compliance with all local, state and federal stormwater management requirements. For this reason, no effective impervious surface calculations were performed.

4.0 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS:

The applicant and consulting team considered a variety of alternatives during project design. Because the project consists of maintenance and general improvements to existing dock facilities to accommodate current state park needs, alternative sites were not considered. In addition, the project minimizes impacts to jurisdictional area and coastal marshlands to the greatest extent practicable by minimizing width of walkways and length of floats to the amount necessary for the dock operations.

5.0 ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:

The proposed project is located in a coastal tidal river, which has been identified as essential fish habitat for the shrimp, red drum, and snapper-grouper complexes. Since the proposed project will not result in the loss of aquatic resources, no adverse effect on essential fish habitat will occur as a result of the proposed project.

6.0 THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES:

RLC conducted a threatened and endangered species survey to determine the potential occurrence of animal and plants species



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(or their preferred habitats) currently listed as threatened or endangered by state and federal regulations [Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 USC 1531-1543)]. Several protected species frequent coastal waters of Georgia, including the Northern Atlantic Right Whale, West Indian Manatee, five species of sea turtle, the Shortnose Sturgeon and the Atlantic Sturgeon. Based on the location of the proposed project, and because the project includes maintenance of existing facilities, no adverse impacts to any individual or population of protected species is anticipated.

7.0 COMMERCIAL BAIT SHRIMP, OYSTER, AND CRABBING AREAS

The proposed project is not located in a designated bait shrimp zone according to Georgia Department of Natural Resources *Commercial and Recreational Bait Shrimp Zones, Coastal Georgia* map. The project area is not listed on the *Georgia Harvester Reported Crabbing Areas* list, and the project area is not located in designated commercial or recreational oyster harvest areas.

8.0 IMPAIRED WATERS

The subject waterway is not listed on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 303(d) list for impaired water bodies.

9.0 SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

This additional information is provided for compliance with Coastal Marshlands Protection Act of 1970 information requirements:

OCGA 12-5-286. Permits to fill, drain, etc., marshlands.

(b) Each application for such permit shall be, properly executed, filed with the department on forms as prescribed by the department, and shall include:

- (1) *The name and address of the applicant-***
Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Attn: Mr. Larry Parson-Project Manager
1134 Big Pine Street, NE
Townsend, GA 31331
912-381-3957
- (2) *A plan or drawing showing the applicant's proposal and the manner or method by which such proposal shall be accomplished. Such plan shall identify the coastal marshlands affected-*** Please refer to attached permit drawings produced by EMC Engineering.
- (3) *A plat of the area in which the proposed work will take place-*** Not Applicable.
- (4) *A copy of the deed or other instrument under which the applicant claims title to the property or, if the applicant is not the owner, then a copy of the deed or other instrument under which the owner claims title together with written permission from the owner to carry out the project on his land. In lieu of a deed or other instrument referred to in this paragraph, the committee may accept some other reasonable evidence of ownership of the property in question or other lawful authority to make use of the property; The committee will not adjudicate title disputes concerning the property which is the subject of the application; provided, however, the committee may decline to process an application when submitted documents show conflicting deeds-*** See attached.
- (5) *A list of all adjoining landowners together with such owners' addresses, provided that if the names or addresses of adjoining landowners cannot be determined, the applicant shall file in lieu thereof a sworn affidavit that a diligent search, including, without limitation, a search of the records for the county tax assessor's office, has been made but that the applicant was not able to ascertain the names or addresses, as the case may be, of adjoining landowners-*** Not applicable; no adjoining property owners existing as the State of Georgia owns all lands surrounding the site.
- (6) *A letter from the local governing authority of the political subdivision in which the property is located, stating that the applicant's proposal is not in violation of any zoning law;*** See attached.



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- (7) **A non-refundable application fee to be set by the board in an amount necessary to defray the administrative cost of issuing such permit. Renewal fees shall be equal to application fees, which shall not exceed \$1,000.00 for any one proposal and shall be paid to the department.** Not Applicable.
- (8) **A description from the applicant of alternative sites and why they are not feasible and a discussion of why the permit should be granted-** See attached project description.
- (9) **A statement from the applicant that he has made inquiry to the appropriate authorities that the proposed project is not over a landfill or hazardous waste site and that the site is otherwise suitable for the proposed project-** A review of the Hazardous Site Index for Bryan County, Georgia indicates that the subject property does not contain hazardous waste sites or landfills. A copy of the review is provided.
- (10) **A copy of the water quality certification issued by the department if required for the proposed project-** Not Applicable.
- (11) **Certification by the applicant of adherence to soil and erosion control responsibilities if required for the proposed project-** The project will conform to all building, land disturbing, and stormwater management requirements of Bryan County.
- (12) **Such additional information as is required by the committee to properly evaluate the application-**
This application has been prepared with consideration for the interests of the general public of the State of Georgia as defined in OCGA 12-5-286(g):.
- (g) **In passing upon the application for permit, the committee shall consider the public interest, which, for purposes of this part shall be deemed to be the following considerations:**
- (1) **Whether or not unreasonably harmful obstruction to or alteration of the natural flow of navigational water within the affected area will arise as a result of the proposal-** The proposed project will not alter natural flow of navigable waters or obstruct public navigation. The project includes improvements to an existing docking facility.
- (2) **Whether or not unreasonably harmful or increased erosion shoaling of channels, or stagnant areas of water will be created-** The proposed project will not increase erosion, shoaling of channels, or create stagnant areas of water.
- (3) **Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with the conservation of fish, shrimp, oysters, crabs, clams, or other marine life, or wildlife, or other resources, including but not limited to water and oxygen supply-** The proposed structure will not interfere with the conservation of fish, shrimp, oysters, crabs, clams, or other marine life, wildlife, or other resources, nor affect water and oxygen supply.



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Barreiro, Deb

From: Alton Brown <abrown@rlandc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 10:40 AM
To: Barreiro, Deb
Cc: Mark Mobley; Parson, Larry; Noble, Josh
Subject: Ft. McAllister Dock
Attachments: Signed RL.pdf; Bryan County Zoning Letter.pdf; Ft McAllister Dock 6-2018.pdf; 20180626130647.pdf

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Deb: In your letter dated 22 June 2018 you requested additional information. This email and the attached information provides a response in the order outlined in your letter.

1. *A signed Revocable License request:* See attached revocable license. This was submitted to CRD via email on 6/4/2018.
2. Adjoining landowner addresses:

1.2 miles northwest of site

FT MCALLISTER
3894 FT MCALLISTER RD
RICHMOND HILL, GA 31324-0000

1.6 miles northwest of site

HAWKINS PHILLIP J
3768 FORT MCALLISTER ROAD
RICHMOND HILL, GA 31324

3. *A zoning letter from the appropriate department stating that the proposed project does not violate any zoning laws.* See attached Bryan County Zoning letter submitted with the original application package.
4. *Project plans signed by the local zoning authority.* See attached plans signed by the zoning authority submitted with the original application package.
5. *Project plans for the proposed modification that include the entire structure (proposed and existing), most seaward distance of MLW for proposed structure, distance to extended property lines;* See attached exhibits. Note distance to extended property lines cannot be depicted because they are over 1 mile from the site.
6. *Information of proposed relocation of Fueling Structures;* There are no existing or proposed fueling structures.
7. *Project plans signed, stamped and dated by a registered surveyor or engineer;* See attached
8. *The proposed application is classified as a Simple Modification in relationship to the application fee schedule. Please provide \$100.00, such check or money order made payable to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.* See attached copy of check that will be delivered via Fed Ex.

Staff also requests that the following information be provided prior to the permit application to the CMPC;

1. *Provide a copy of the water quality certification issued by the Department, if required for the proposed project.* 401 certification is not required.

Following review, let me know if you need any additional information to process the application.



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PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT**

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February 9, 2018

via email

Mr. Alton Brown, Jr., Principal
Resource & Land Consultants
41 Park of Commerce Way, Suite 303
Savannah, Georgia 31405

Re: Georgia DNR
Bryan County
Fort McAllister State Park Dock
Letter of Compliance

Dear Mr. Brown:

We are in receipt of your February 7, 2018 correspondence regarding the above-referenced project. The project scope as presented does not violate any current zoning regulations in Bryan County. Attached are the initialed plans as requested. We applaud the State's efforts to enhance our existing recreational amenities which is such a vital part of our quality of life and is enjoyed by many of our residents and visitors alike.

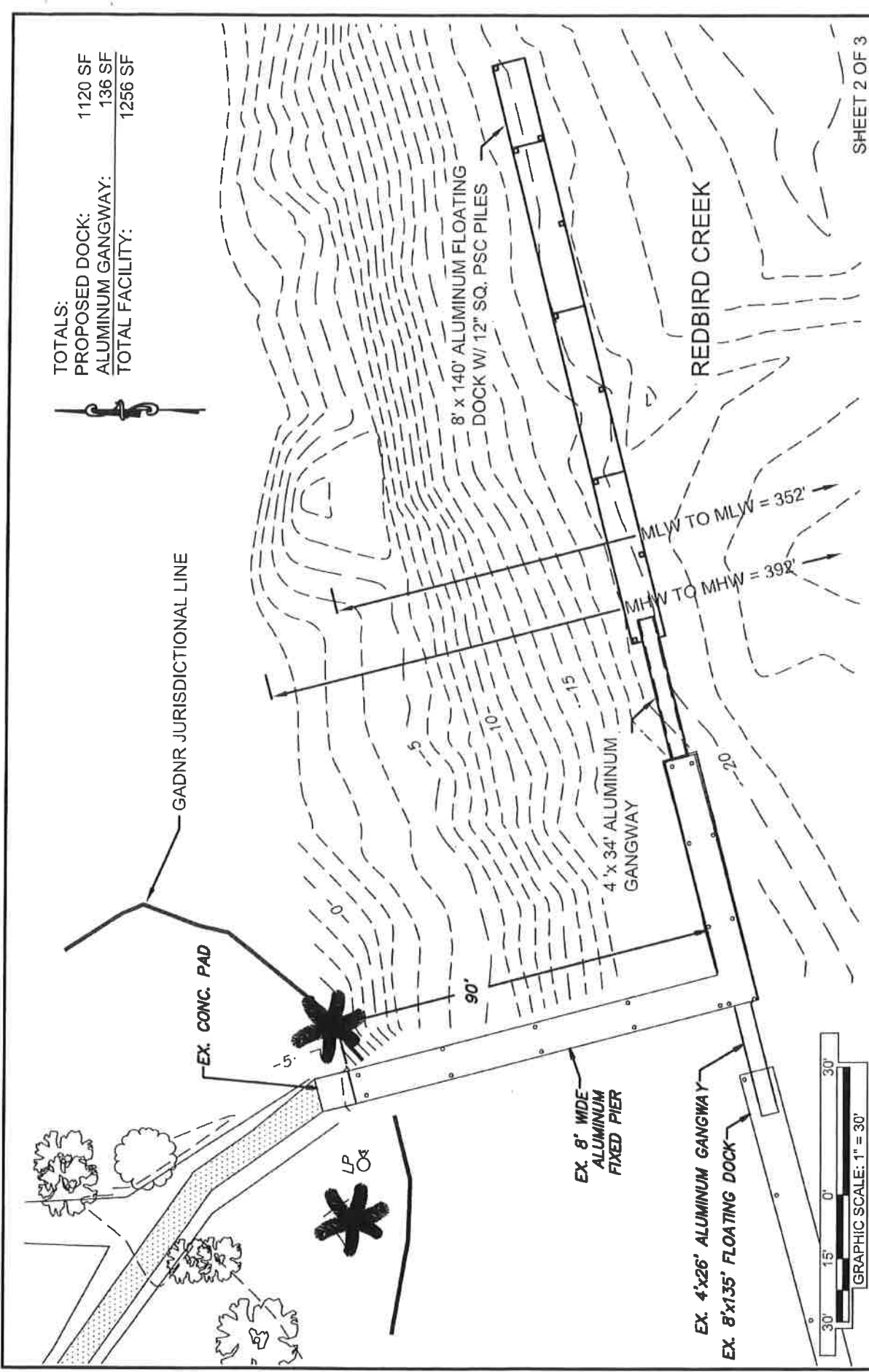
Should you have any questions or require further information regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at the office at (912) 756-7953 or email at kcroasmun@bryan-county.org.

Sincerely,

Kirk D. Croasmun, PE, CFM
Bryan County Planning Director

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 ALUMINUM GANGWAY: 136 SF
 TOTAL FACILITY: 1256 SF

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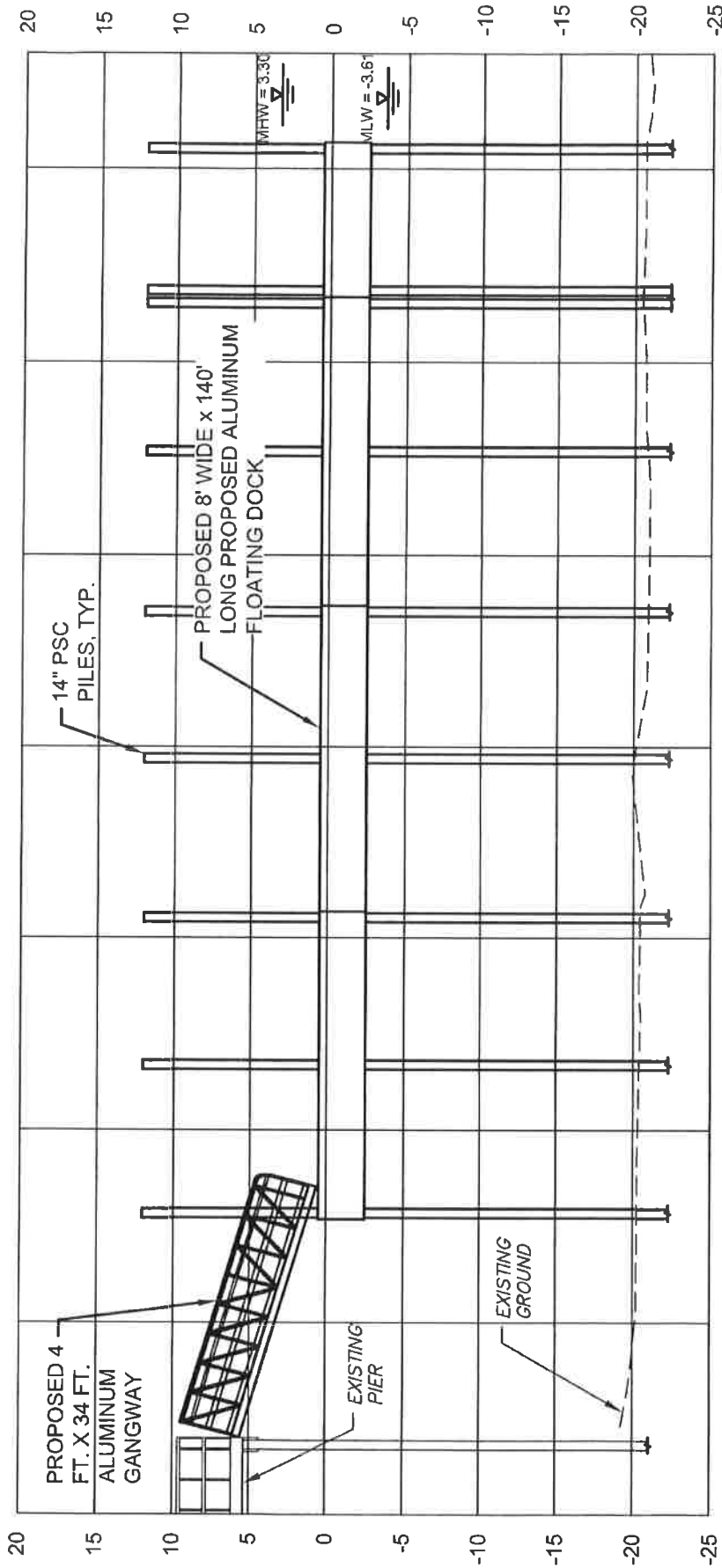
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PROPOSED DOCK PLAN
 FORT MCALLISTER STATE PARK DOCK EXPANSION
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EX. CONC. PAD

5'

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8' x 140' ALUMINUM FLOATING DOCK W/ 12" SQ. PSC PILES

4' x 34' ALUMINUM GANGWAY

EX. 8' WIDE ALUMINUM FIXED PIER

EX. 4'x26' ALUMINUM GANGWAY
 EX. 8'x135' FLOATING DOCK

REDBIRD CREEK

MLW TO MLW = 352'
 MHW TO MHW = 392'

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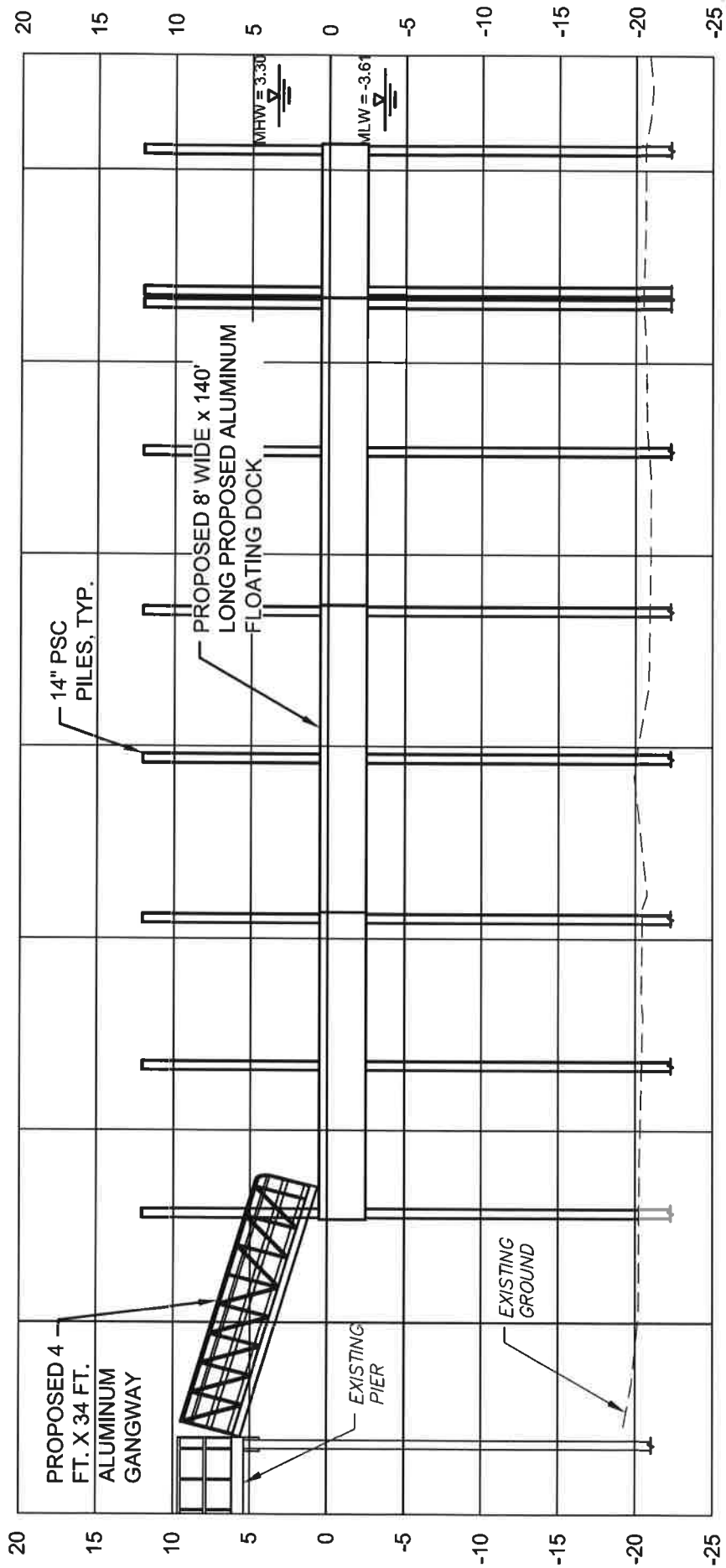
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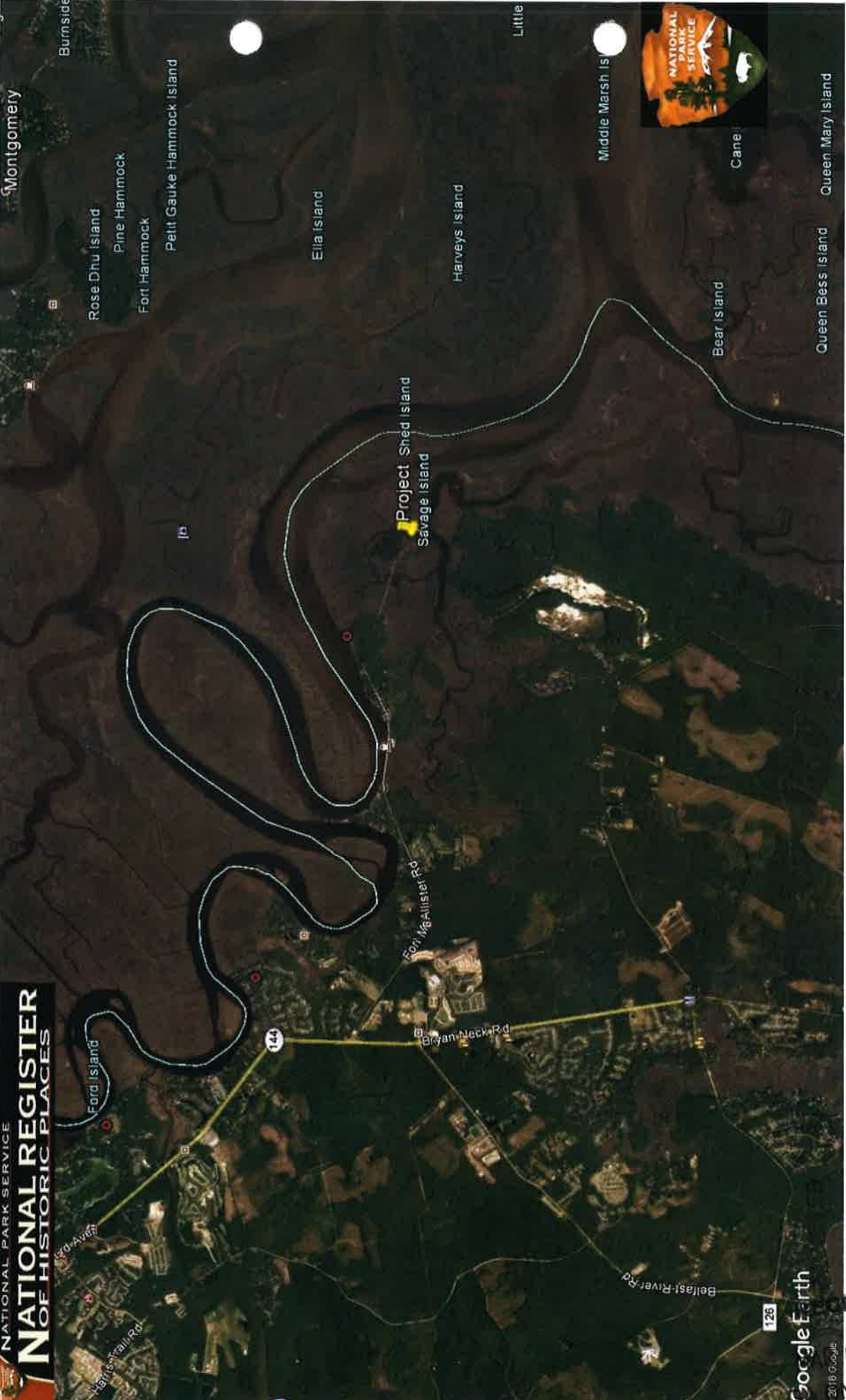
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10221	Akzo Coatings (Former)	Appling
10202	McCranie Brothers Wood Preserving	Atkinson
10720	Alma - Radio Station Road MSWLF	Bacon
10385	Baldwin County Sanitary Landfill	Baldwin
10799	Concord Fabrics, Inc.	Baldwin
10274	Speedway SR 324 Landfill	Barrow
10359	Winder-Barrow Speedway	Barrow
10512	Georgia Classic Cleaners	Barrow
10642	Bartow County - SR 294 Emerson Landfill	Bartow
10924	Amrep, Inc.	Bartow
10283	Ben Hill County - Joshlyn Road MSWL	Ben Hill
10192	Berrien Products	Berrien
10643	Berrien County Landfill	Berrien
10027	Graphic Packaging International, Inc.	Bibb
10043	Southern Wood Piedmont - Central of Georgia Railroad	Bibb
10167	Macon Naval Ordnance Landfill (Former)	Bibb
10294	Walker Road Landfill (formerly 11th Street Landfill)	Bibb
10308	Allied Industrial Park	Bibb
10402	Central of Georgia Railroad Company - Macon Site	Bibb
10502	Transco Railcar Facility (Former)	Bibb
10511	Macon MGP Site	Bibb
10524	Wheelers Manufacturing Company, Inc.	Bibb
10737	Atlantic Cotton Mills	Bibb
10779	Mercer University Triangle	Bibb
10467	Bleckley County Municipal Landfill	Bleckley
10645	Quitman - SR 333 Landfill	Brooks
10646	Bryan County - US 280 Mill Creek MSWLF	Bryan
10391	Statesboro/Bulloch County Lakeview Rd. Landfill	Bulloch
10573	Louisiana Pacific Corp. - Statesboro	Bulloch
10739	Daniel Measurement and Control, Inc.	Bulloch
10188	Atlas Chemical Company	Burke
10322	Waynesboro Old City Dump	Burke
10450	Burke County Landfill	Burke
10614	Legion Industries	Burke
10278	Butts County - Brownlee Road Landfill	Butts
10854	Calhoun County SR 45 Morgan (SL)	Calhoun
10093	U.S. Naval Submarine Base, Kings Bay	Camden
10647	Camden County Vacuna Road LF	Camden
10711	Candler County S.R. 121 Metter # 021-001D(SL)	Candler

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