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December 21, 2012

**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE SAM-2012-01262-PAH  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
OFFICE OF POLLUTION CONTROL**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES (DMR-060893)**

**CONSTRUCTION OF A BOAT LIFT, DREDGING AN EXISTING YACHT CONSTRUCTION  
AREA, AND MODIFICATION OF NAVIGATION CHANNEL, GULFPORT, HARRISON  
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the River and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: **Trinity Yachts, LLC**  
13085 Seaway Road  
Gulfport, Mississippi 39503

AGENT: **Culpepper and Associates**  
Attention: **Mr. Billy J. Culpepper**  
Post Office Box 1407  
Long Beach, Mississippi 39560

LOCATION: **In the Harrison County Industrial Canal, off Ollie Lane, Section 14, Township 7 South, Range 11 West, Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi.**

WORK: The applicant proposes to expand the existing boatlift, expand the existing boatslip by dredging, install groins and modify the existing Federal navigation project. Per the applicant's description, the onsite boatlift will be extended by 120 feet in length (to a total length of 350 feet) and will be supported by 6 pile-supported winch pedestals. The applicant would extend the existing groins on both sides of the slip by 120 feet for a total length of 350 feet. The area to be dredged will be 65 feet wide by 120 feet long and would take the depth in the area of the lift extension from -18' mean low water to -25 mean low water; this would remove 1,725 cubic yards of material, which would be disposed of in an upland area on the project site. The applicant proposes to add a 3-pile mooring cluster to the east of the existing structure. The applicant proposes to seek authorization to modify the existing Federal Channel to remove an area from future Federal maintenance responsibility as illustrated in the drawing labeled "Partial Site Layout".

**EXISTING CONDITIONS:** The project lies within an industrial area at the terminal end of the Bernard Bayou Industrial District. The water bottoms adjacent to the site are designated for industrial use (I) the State of Mississippi's Coastal Wetland Use Program. No emergent or submerged vegetation was identified on the water bottoms within of adjacent to the project site.

**PROJECT PURPOSE:** The purpose of the project is the expansion of a commercial development. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) initially determined the basic project purpose is for construction of a boatlift and is considered a water dependent activity.

**MITIGATION:** The applicant is not proposing mitigation for impacts to navigable waters. Final compensatory mitigation will be evaluated by the Corps and cooperating resource agencies throughout the review process for the proposed project.

The applicant has applied for certification from the State of Mississippi in accordance with Section 401(a) (1) of the Clean Water Act and upon completion of the required advertising; a determination relative to certification will be made.

The applicant has applied for coastal zone consistency from the State of Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in accordance with Section 57-15-6 of the Mississippi Code Annotated.

This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons in order to assist in developing facts on which a decision by the Corps can be based. For accuracy and completeness of the record, all data in support of or in opposition to the proposed work should be submitted in writing setting forth sufficient detail to furnish a clear understanding of the reasons for support or opposition. The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed 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 proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, protected species, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

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 proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. 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 proposed activity. Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held for consideration of this application. Requests for public hearings shall state with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Appendix C of 33 CFR 325, the undertaking defined in this notice is being considered for the potential to effect cultural and historic properties within the permit area. Because the site is located in a submerged area the project should not affect sites on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. We are seeking comment from the State Historic Preservation Officer regarding the existence or the potential for existence of significant cultural and historic properties within the permit area. In accordance with Appendix C of 33 CFR Part 325, the Corps has determined that the permit area is the full area of development for the overall project footprint.

The proposed project site lies within the range of several federally listed species. No listed species have been observed on the site, or in the vicinity. The project will be coordinated through officials of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding any possible impacts to listed species.

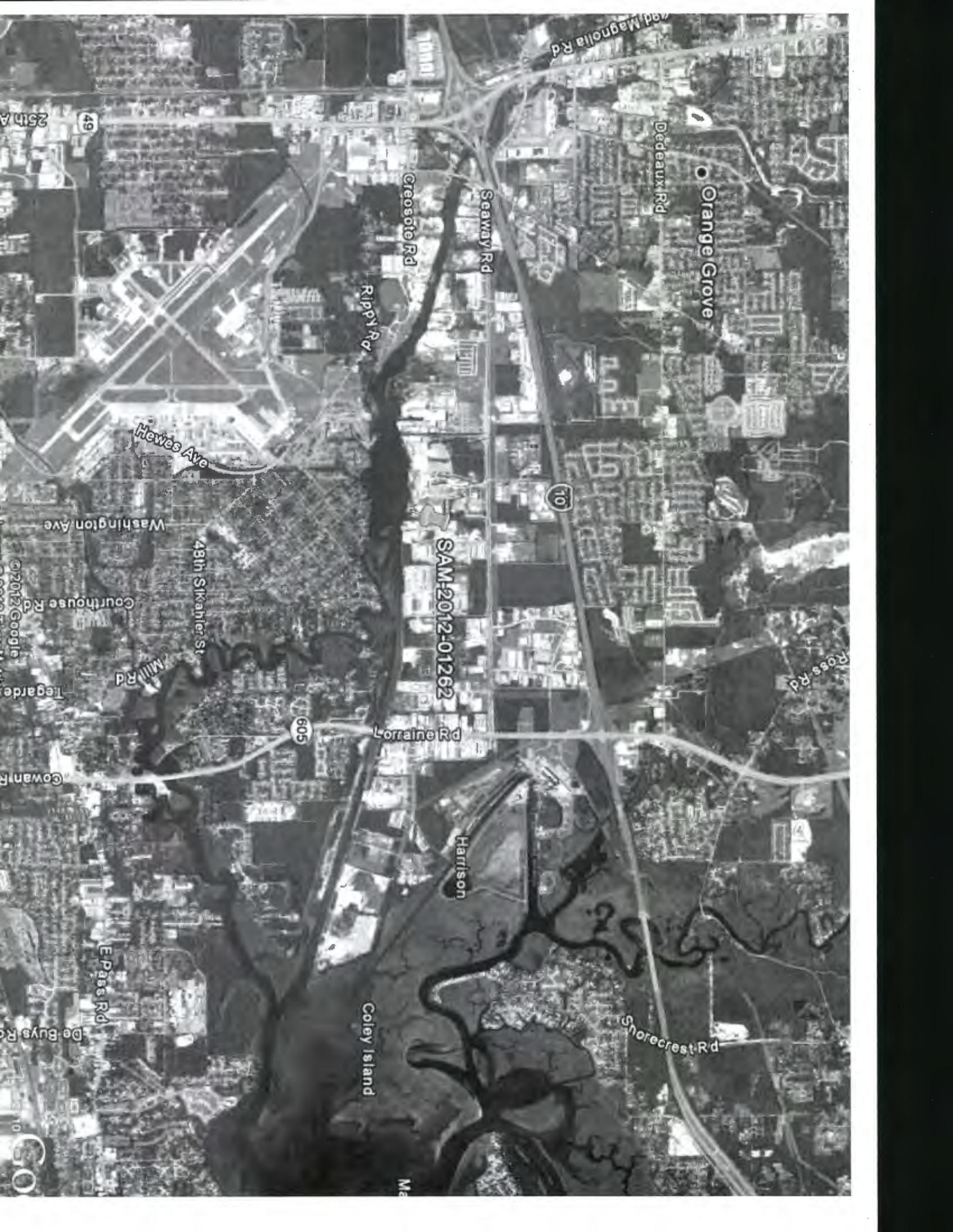
Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number **SAM-2012-01262-PAH** and should be directed to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Coastal Branch, Attention: Mr. Philip Hegji, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, with a copy to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Attention: Ms. Florance Watson, P.E., Post Office Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225 and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, Attention: Ms. Jennifer Wittman, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Suite 501, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530, in time to be received within **30 days** of the date of this public notice.

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact the project manager for this application, **Mr. Philip Hegji** ([philip.a.hegji@usace.army.mil](mailto:philip.a.hegji@usace.army.mil)), phone (251) 690-3222. Please refer to the above Public Notice number.

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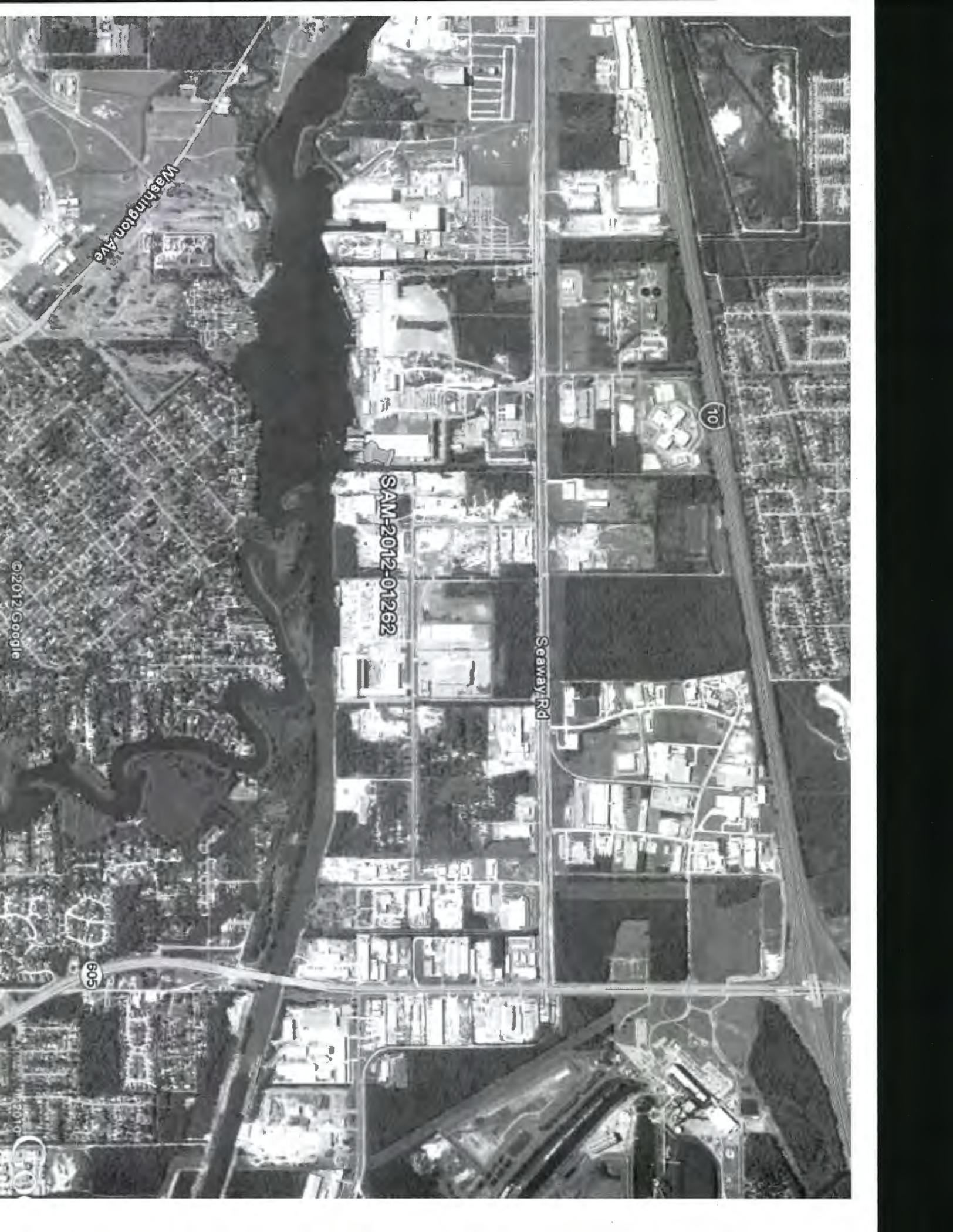
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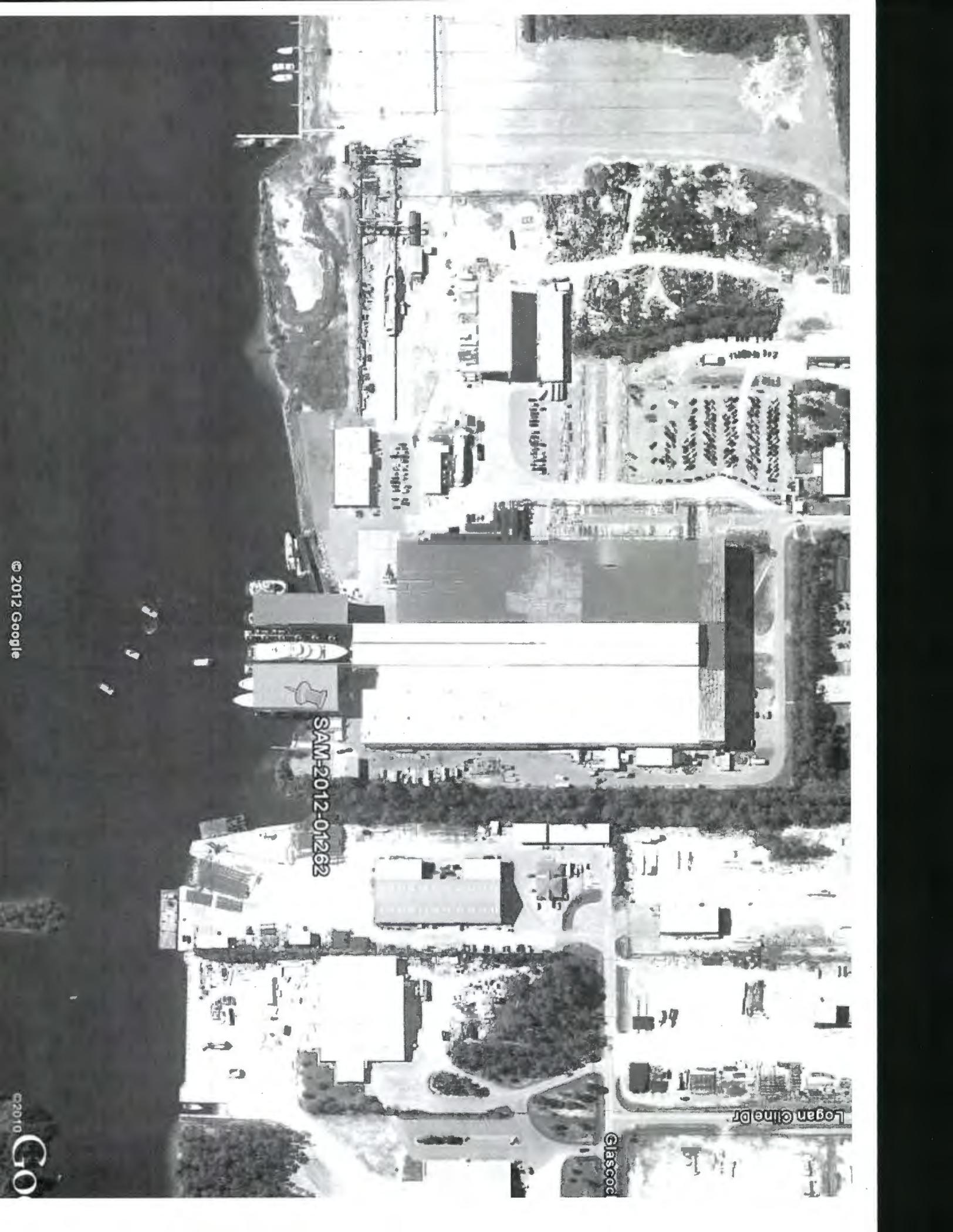
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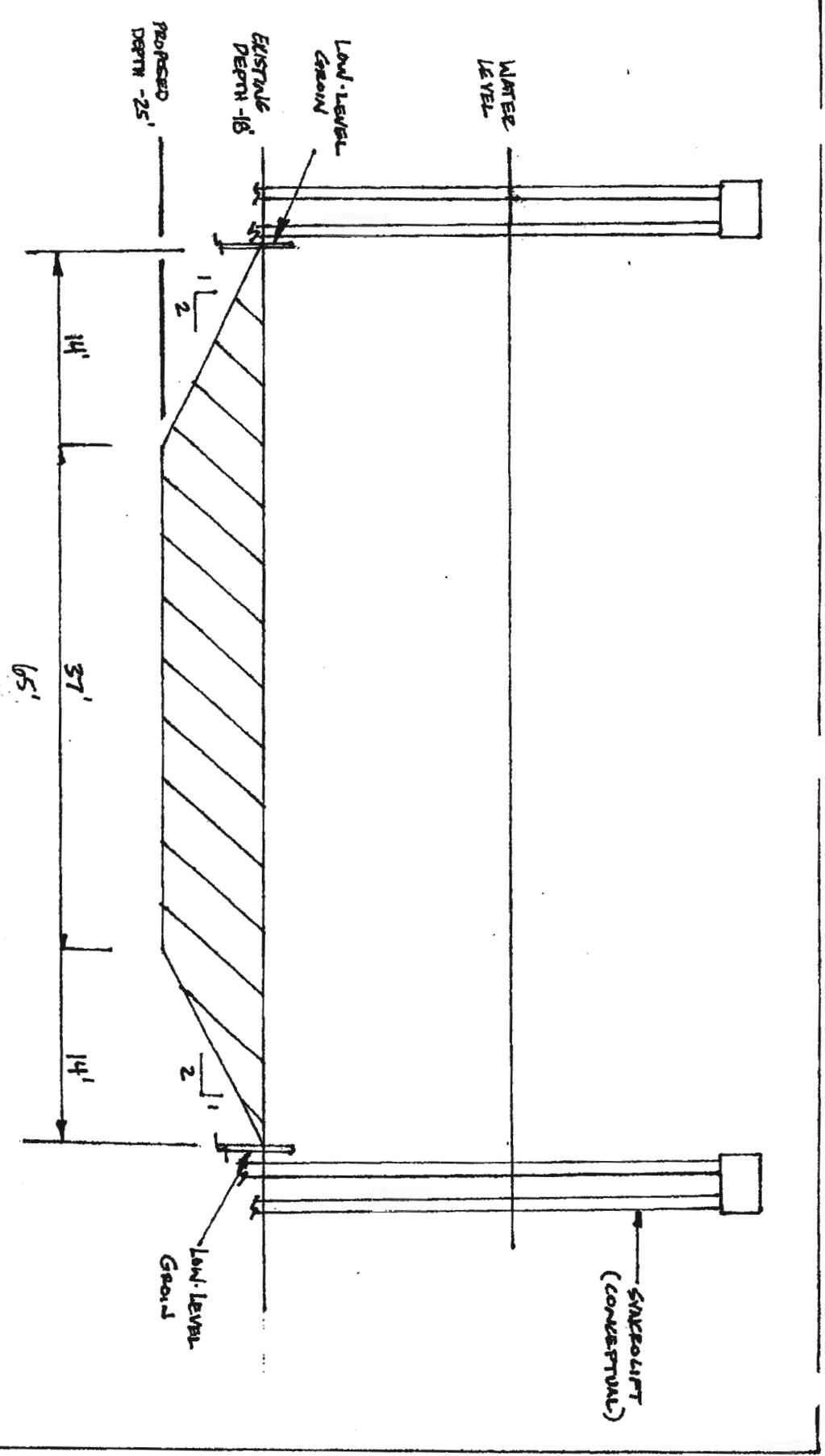


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TEQUILA YACHTS STERNLIFT EXPANSION  
 TYPICAL CROSS SECTION

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