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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
MOBILE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. SAM-2013-00290-SBC

March 20, 2013

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
AND
STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

**PROPOSE IMPACTS TO NAVIGABLE WATERS OF THE U.S. IN CONJUNCTION
WITH MAINTENANCE DREDGING,
BLACK BAYOU CREEK, MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

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 Harbor Act of 1899 (33 USC 403), and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: **G. A. West**
Attention: Mr. Ed Chapman
Post Office Box 1484
Mobile, Alabama 36633

AGENT: **Cowles, Murphy, Glover and Associates**
Attention: Mr. Gary Cowles
457 St. Michael Street
Mobile, Alabama 36602

WATERWAY/LOCATION: **At Sawmill Road, Black Bayou Creek, Section 15, Township 3 South, Range 1 West, Saraland, Mobile County, Alabama (Latitude 30.7813° North; Longitude -88.0651° West).**

PROJECT PURPOSE: **The overall project purpose is to construct a commercial barge loading and unloading facility.**

WORK: **The applicant proposes to mechanically dredge a 1.1-acre area of Black Bayou Creek and excavate a 0.46-acre area of uplands from the adjacent creek bank in order to construct a barge berthing area with a depth of -10 feet at mean low water. The dredging activity would impact approximately 400 linear feet of Black Bayou Creek and would require the removal of 6,200 cubic yards of dredge spoil material and 11,000 cubic yards of upland bank soils. The dredge spoil**

material would be placed in a 30,000 square foot dewatering basin with a capacity of 6,700 cubic yards that would be constructed on-site in an upland area specifically for this project. In addition to the dredging activity, the applicant proposes to construct a 5,300-square-foot, pile-supported concrete relieving platform on the creek bank adjacent to the proposed dredge area.

WATER QUALITY/COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT: The applicant has applied for certification from the State of Alabama in accordance with Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act and for coastal zone (CZ) consistency in accordance with the State Coastal Zone Management Program. Upon completion of the required advertising and public comment review, a determination relative to water quality certification and CZ consistency will be made by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES: 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. Although the extent of Federal control and responsibility for these considerations are confined to the limits of the permit area for this particular project, the potential indirect effects that may occur to historic properties as a result of this undertaking are also being considered. We are seeking comment from the State Historic Preservation Officer, Federally-recognized American Indian tribes, local historical societies, museums, universities, the National Park Service and concerned citizens regarding the existence or the potential for existence of significant cultural and historic properties within the permit area. Historic architectural or archaeological investigations may be necessary to ascertain the existence of such resources. Efforts will be made through the consultation process to avoid, minimize, or mitigate any adverse effects to significant cultural and historic properties that may occur as a result of this undertaking. The district engineer remains the final decision authority.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: Preliminary review of this application and the U.S. Department of the Interior List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants indicate that the proposed activity will not affect listed endangered or threatened species, or their critical habitat. We are seeking comment from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and state agencies regarding any effects on listed species.

COMMENTS: This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons in order to assist in developing facts on which a decision by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (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, 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 to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Evaluation of the probable impacts involving deposits of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number **SAM-2013-00290-SBC** and should be mailed to the District Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Attention: **RD-A-S/Crosson**, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, with a copy furnished to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, 4171 Commanders Drive, Mobile, Alabama 36615.

Comments should be received no later than 30 days from the date of this Public Notice. If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may also contact the project manager, **Mr. S. Brad Crosson** at (251) 694-3664 or steven.b.crosson@usace.army.mil. For additional information about our Regulatory Program, please visit our web site at www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx.

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DOCK DEVELOPMENT**

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24" DEWATERING
DISCHARGE PIPE

WEIRBOX
AND VALVE

TEMPORARY SPOIL
DEWATERING POND,
CAPACITY=±6,700 CY

200'-0"

1501

150'-0"

RELIEVING
PLATFORM
(PROPOSED)

BARGE

NEW SPOIL
DEWATERING POND

5'-0"

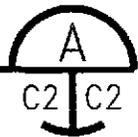
TOP OF BERM=±10.0

±6.0

29'-0"

SECTION

1"=1'-0"



NEW SITE PLAN ENLARGED

1"=100'



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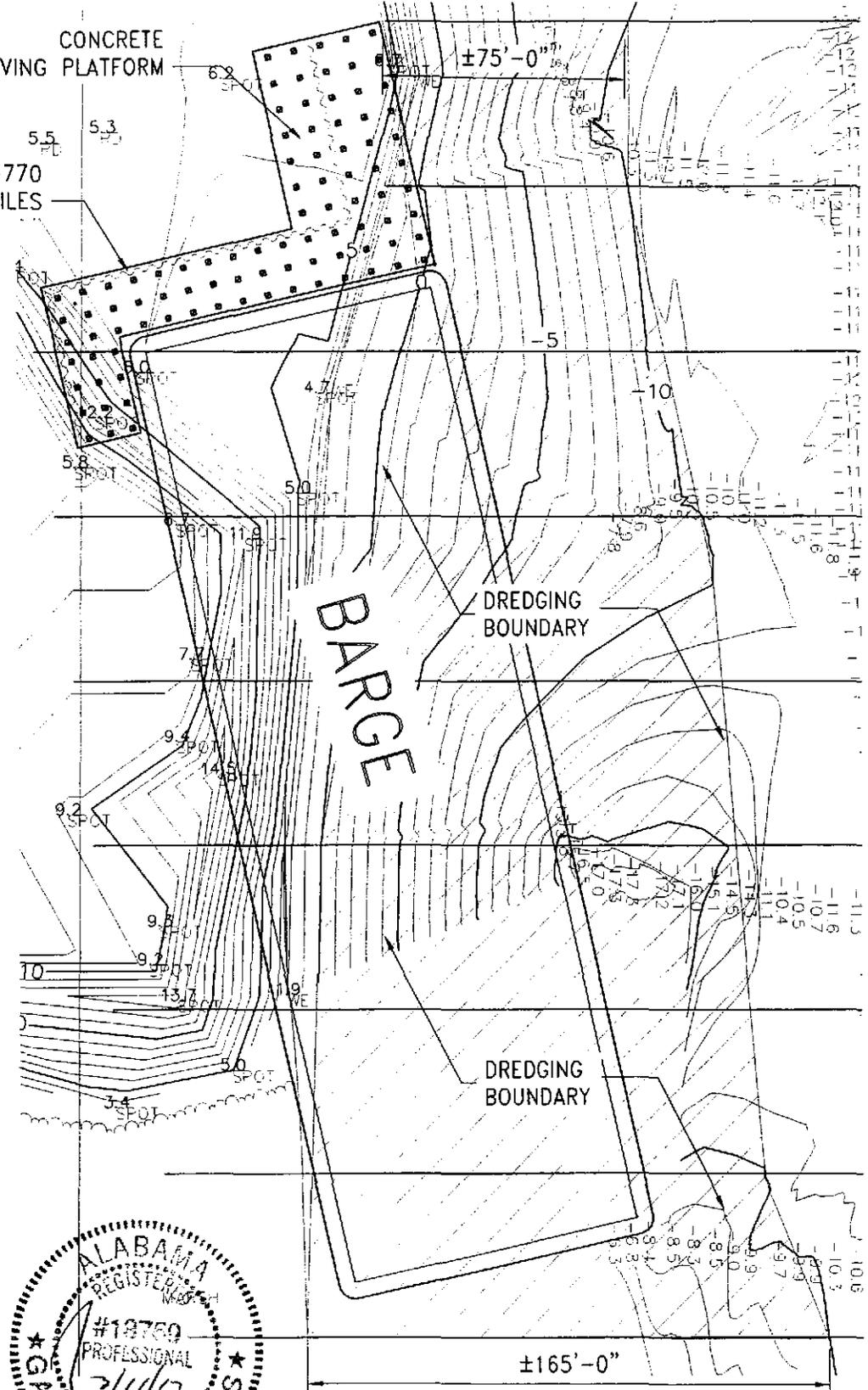
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CONCRETE
RELIEVING PLATFORM
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SHEET PILES



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STA 0+50
STA 1+00
STA 1+50
STA 2+00
STA 2+50
STA 3+00
STA 3+50
STA 4+00

BARGE

DREDGING
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1"=50'

DREDGING QTY: ±6,200 CY
DREDGING DEPTH: -10 FT



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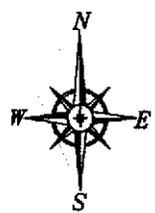
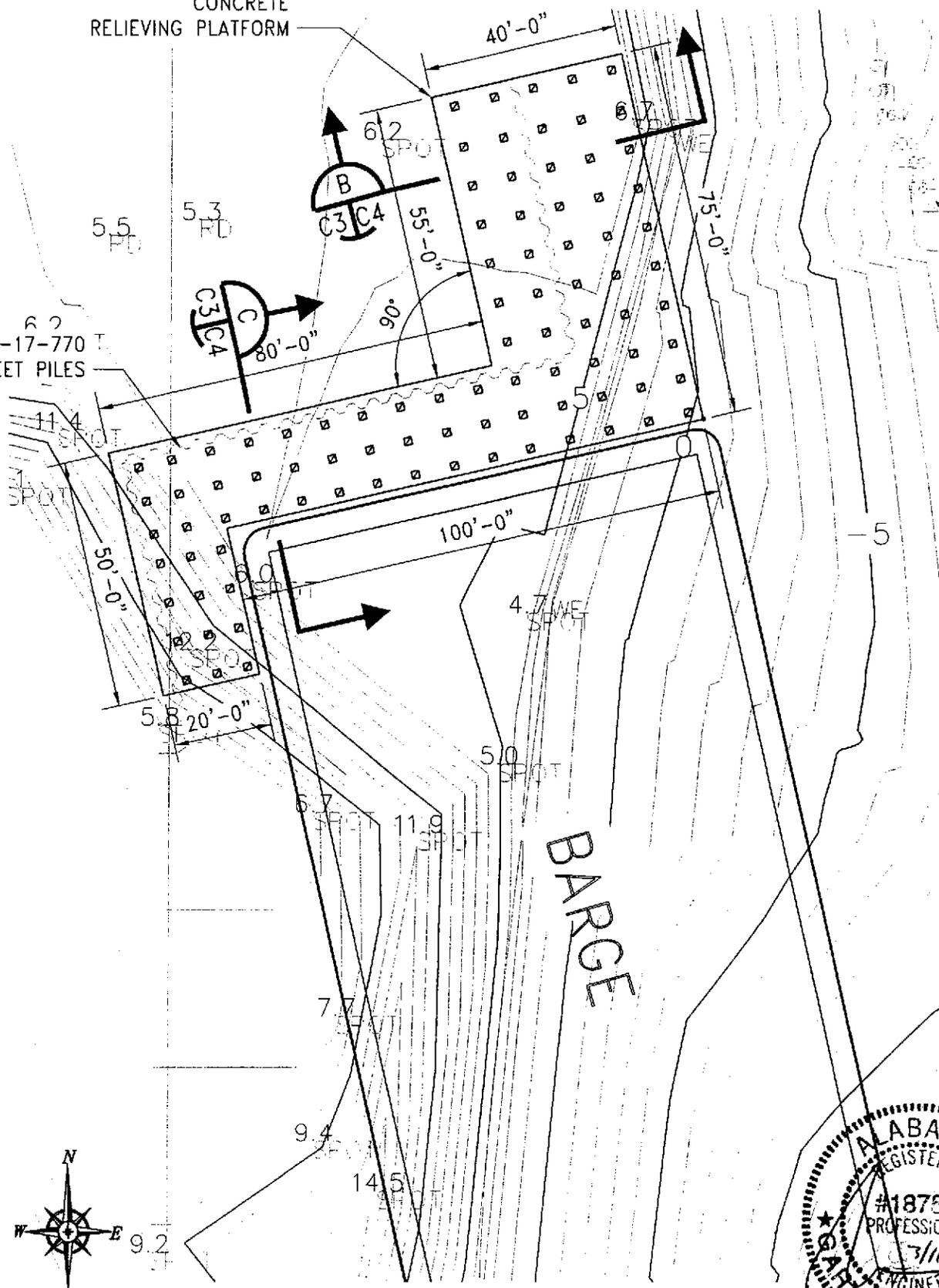
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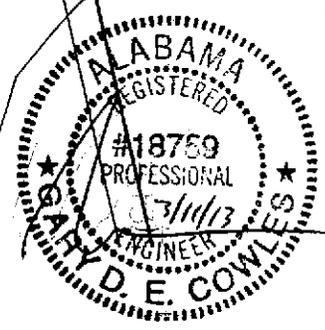
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DOCK PLAN

1"=30'



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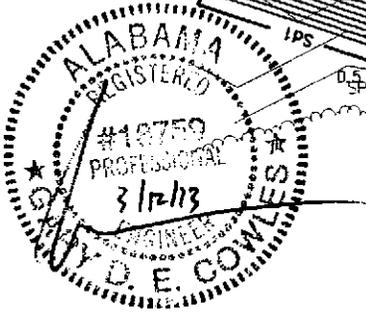
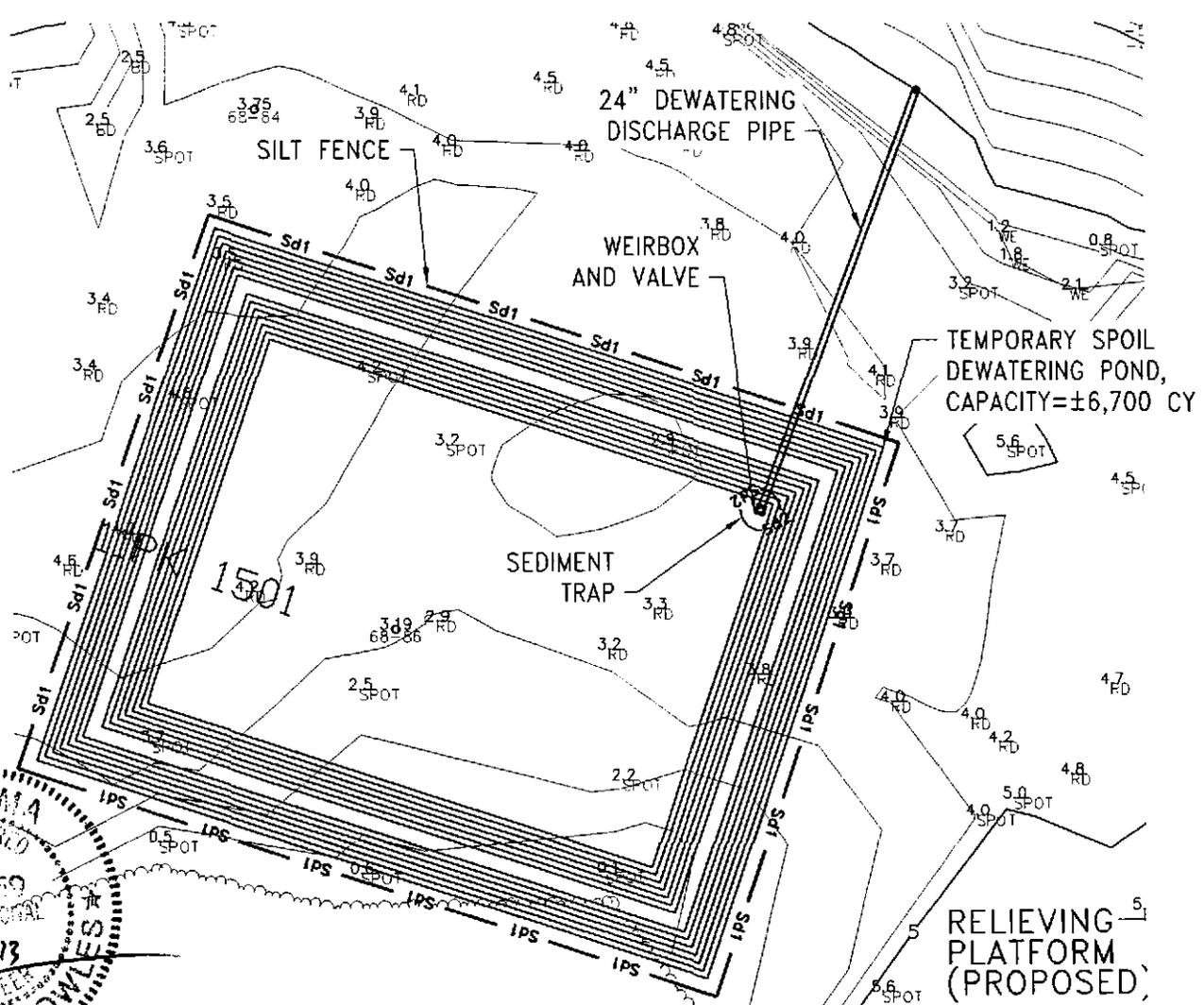
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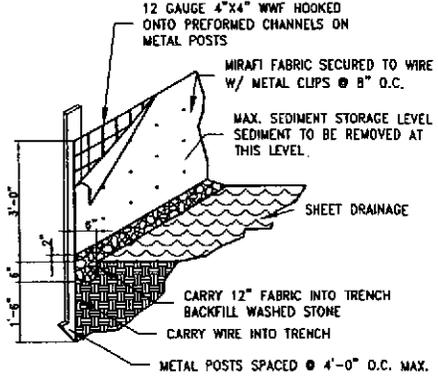
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EROSION CONTROL PLAN
1"=60'



SILT FENCE DETAIL
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DESCRIPTION:
A BARRIER TO PREVENT SEDIMENT FROM LEAVING THE CONSTRUCTION SITE. IT MAY BE SANDBAGS, BALES OR STRAW OR HAY, BRUSH, LOGS AND POLES, GRAVEL OR A SEDIMENT FENCE. THE BARRIERS ARE USUALLY TEMPORARY AND INEXPENSIVE.

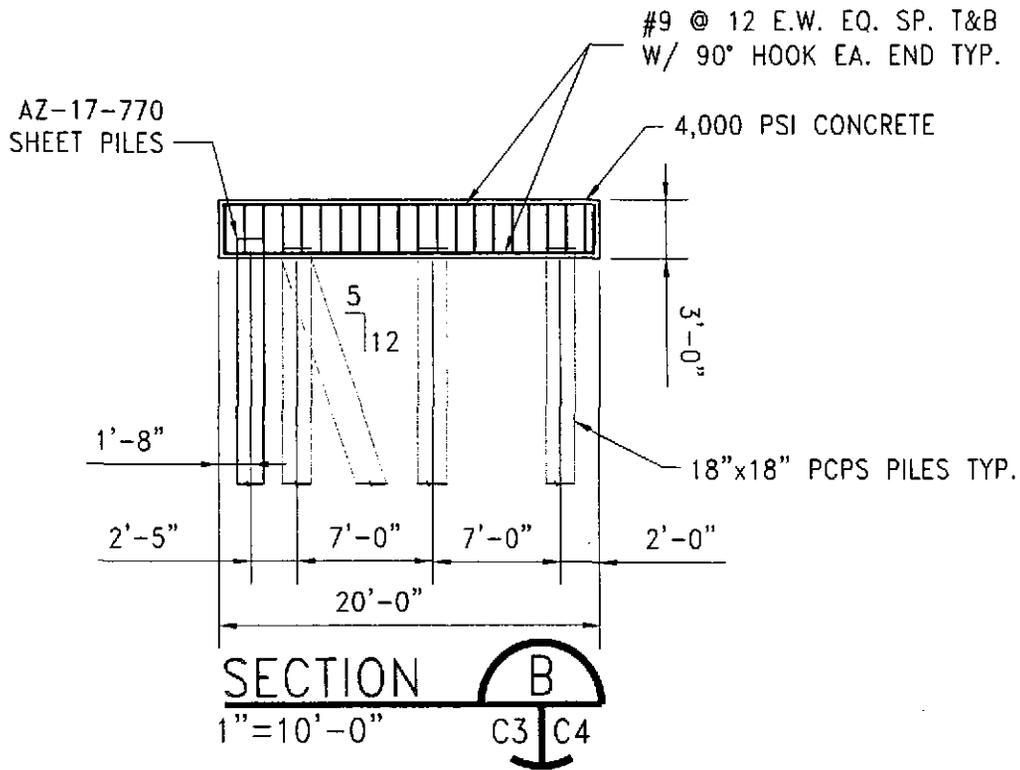
LEGEND	
— Sd1 —	SILT FENCE
— Sd2 —	SEDIMENT TRAP

- EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL NOTES**
- CONTRACTOR WILL PROTECT INLETS AND DRAINS FROM SEDIMENT DEPOSITS WITH STRAW BALES, SECURELY TIED AND ANCHORED TO THE GROUND OR OTHER METHODS AS SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. THE EXISTING SITE IS COMPLETELY DEVELOPED, GRADED AND OPERATIONAL.
 - THE EXISTING PERMANENT STORM WATER SYSTEM IS IN PLACE, AND WILL BE UTILIZED DURING CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE NEW FACILITY.
 - ALL SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE IN OPERATION PRIOR TO GRADING.
 - SEDIMENT DEPOSITION CAUSED BY SHEET FLOW ACROSS PROPERTY LINES SHALL BE PREVENTED BY PLACING AND ANCHORING OF TEMPORARY STRAW BALES/EROSION NETTING. ALL DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE SEEDED AND MULCHED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
 - EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSPECTED DAILY AND REPAIRED IMMEDIATELY, IF DAMAGED.
 - TRENCHES, IF REQUIRED, SHALL BE BACKFILLED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF COMPLETION, TESTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPROPRIATE LINES.
 - THE CONTRACTOR SHALL USE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO CONTROL RUN OFF VELOCITIES AND REDUCE EROSION. REFER TO THE ESCAMBA COUNTY, FLORIDA BMP FOR NON-POINT SOURCE RUN-OFF CONTROL, LATEST EDITION.
 - THE OWNER OF PROPERTY WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN THE DRAINAGE APPURTENANCES IN WORKING ORDER FOR LIFE OF THE FACILITY.

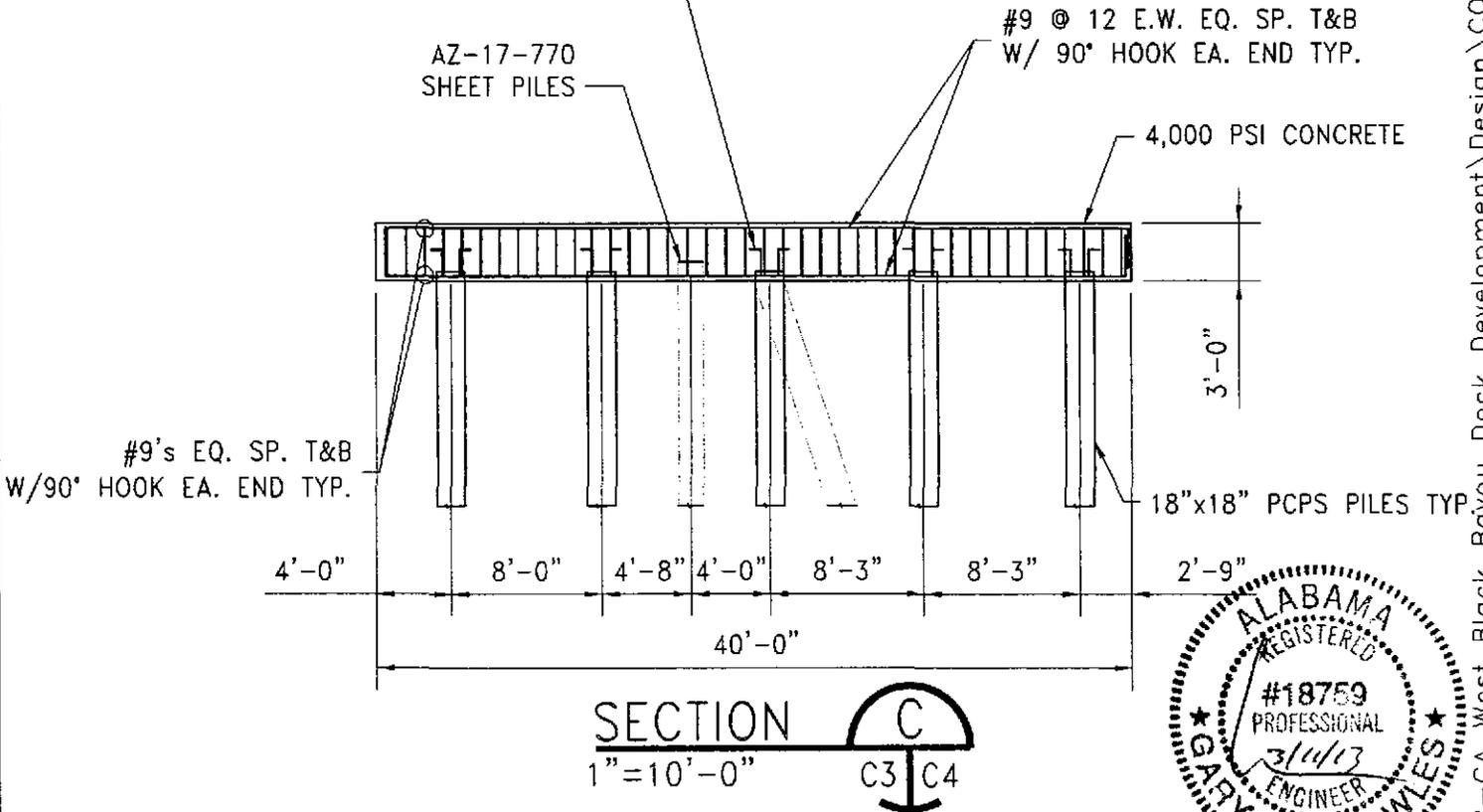
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#9 DOWELS W/ 90° HOOK IN PILE CAP
 MIN. EMBED INTO PILE = 24". TYP. SET W/
 SIKADUR 32 HI-MOD EPOXY OR APPROVED EQUAL



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