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

**Dredging and Construction of Bulkhead and Berthing Facilities in Conjunction with the
Development of the New Pinto Island Terminal Facility, Mobile, Mobile County, Alabama**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: This District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344) and Section 10 of the River and Harbor Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

**APPLICANT: Alabama State Port Authority (ASPA)
Post Office Box 1588
Mobile, Alabama 36633**

Waterway: Mobile River, Mobile County, Alabama

WORK: The applicant proposes to construct vessel and barge mooring systems, approximately 1,300 linear feet of bulkhead and associated port facilities, and mechanically/hydraulically dredge approximately 600,000 cubic yards of material from an estimated 4.6 acres of waterbottoms of the Mobile River. The dredged material will be disposed of in an approximately 35 acre diked disposal area east of the proposed project area. The disposal area will be designed in accordance with current engineering practices and utilized and maintained in accordance with the Best Management Practices of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management. All activities will be conducted in accordance with the attached plans and drawings.

The proposed activity will impact approximately 1.1 acres of jurisdictional wetland area, and the applicant will mitigate for unavoidable impacts to wetlands. The applicant proposes to develop an adequate mitigation plan during this permit evaluation process.

The applicant has applied for state certification in accordance with Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, and has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the State Coastal Zone Management Program. Upon completion of the required advertising and public comment review, a determination relative to consistency will be made by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.

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 use 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.

The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted and no properties listed in or eligible for the National Register are known to exist which would be affected by the proposed work. This review constitutes the full extent of cultural resources investigations unless comment to this notice is received documenting that significant sites or properties exist which may be affected by this work, or that adequately documents that a potential exists for the location of significant sites or properties within the permit area. Copies of this notice are being sent to the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Division of Archeological Services.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The proposed project will disturb approximately 4.6 acres of substrate utilized by various stages of various marine organisms. Our initial determination is that the proposed action will not have a substantial impact on EFH or federally managed fishes. Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Preliminary review of this application and the U.S. Department of the Interior List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants indicates that the proposed activity will not affect listed endangered or threatened species, or their critical habitat. The National Marine Fisheries Service requires the evaluation of impacts to Essential Fish Habitat of estuarine species.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number SAM-2007-1582-GAC and should be directed to:

District Commander
U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile
Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-000
Attention: Regulatory Division

with a copy to the:

Alabama Department of Environmental Management
4171 Commanders Drive
Mobile, Alabama 36615

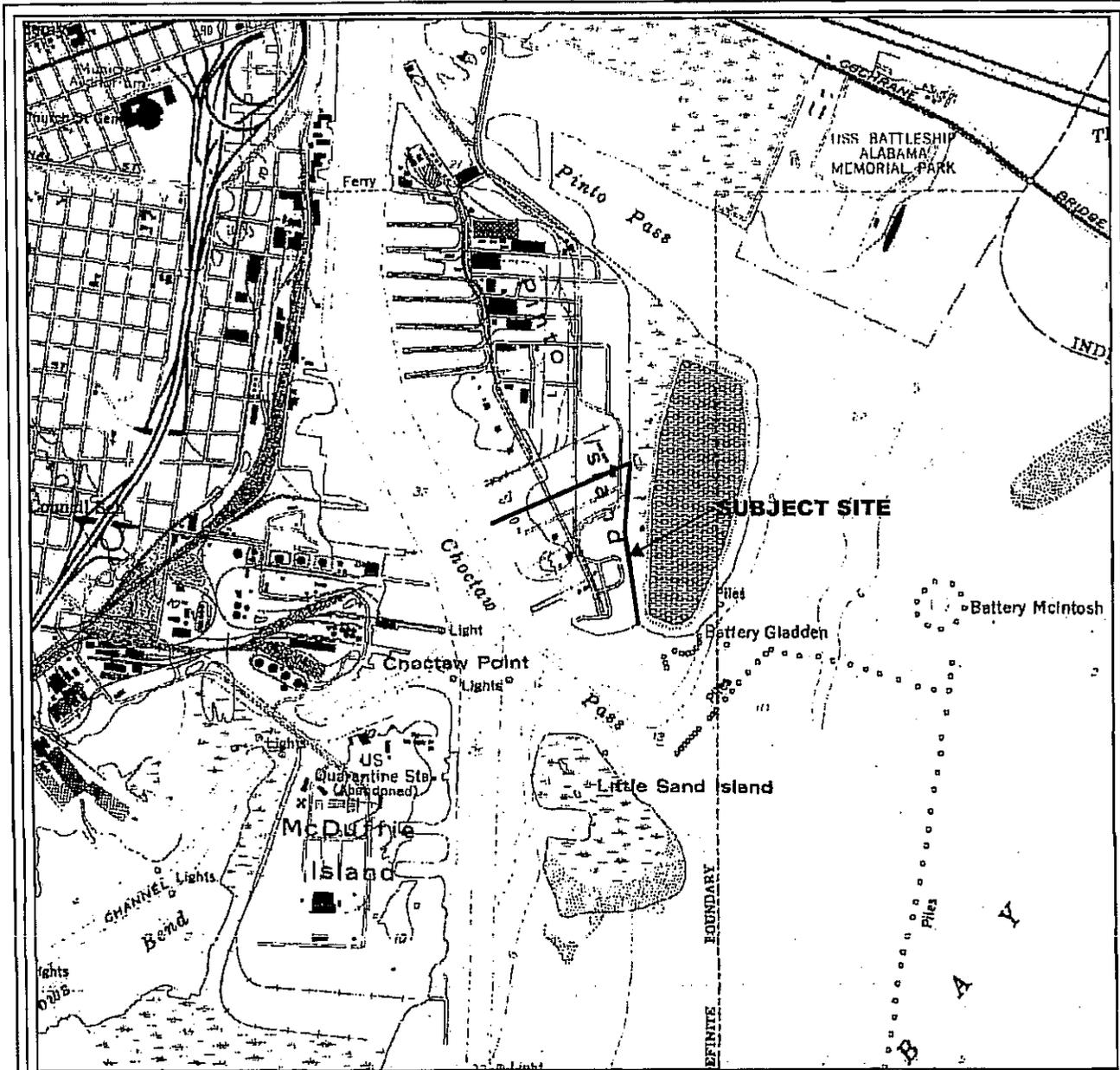
All comments must be sent in time to be received not later than 02 November 2007.

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact Mr. Glen A. Cunningham at telephone number (251) 694-4077. Please refer to Public Notice number **SAM-2007-1582-GAC**.

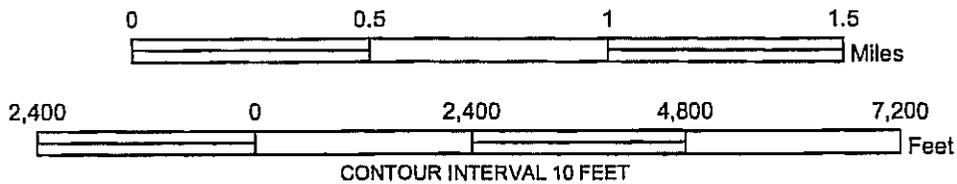
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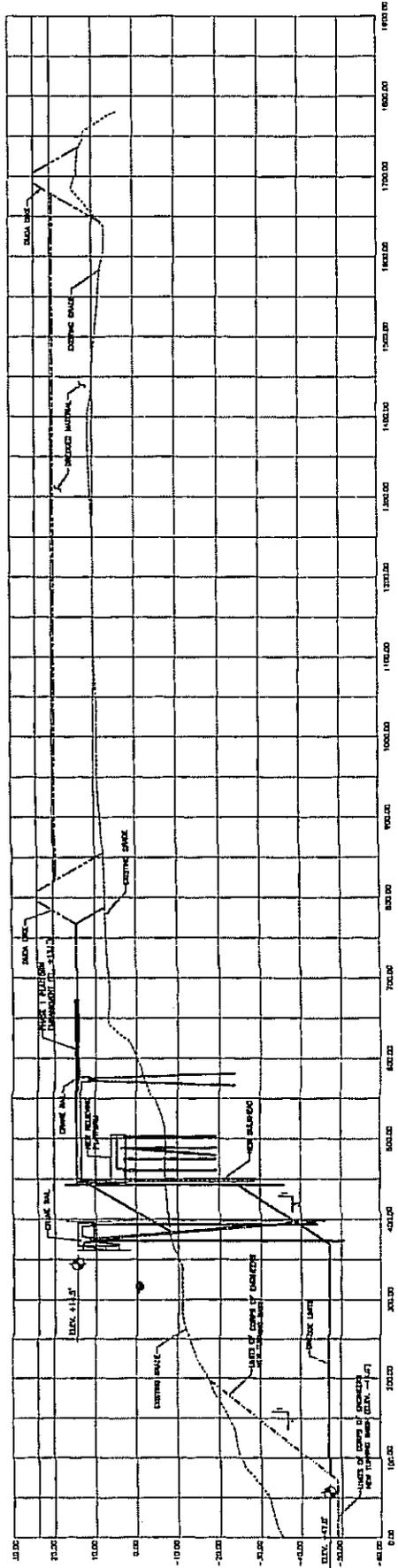
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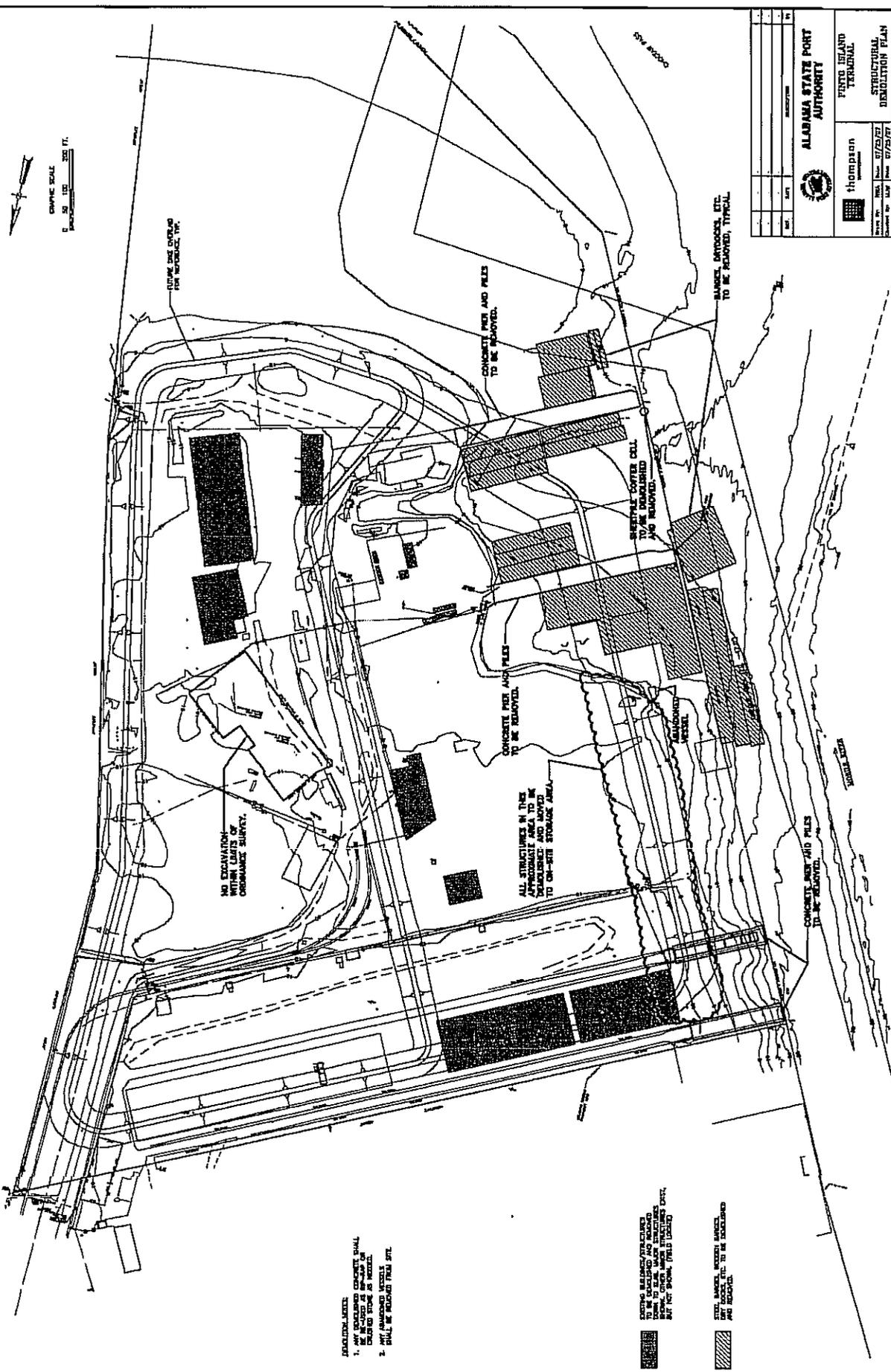
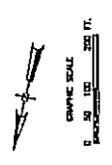
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