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U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, MOBILE DISTRICT
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Regulatory Division
Coastal Branch
SAM-2008-0557-CRO

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JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
OFFICE OF POLLUTION CONTROL

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Activities Associated With the Construction of the Silver Slipper
Casino Marina, Bayou Caddy, Hancock 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 Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: Silver Slipper Casino Venture, LLC
5000 South Beach Boulevard
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520

WATERWAY: Mississippi Sound, Bayou Caddy, Hancock County, Mississippi. (Sections George Mares Claim, T9S, R14W; Lat. 30.14°17.57" N, Long. 89.25° 34.35"W

WORK: The applicant proposes to construct a marina, improve an existing bulkhead, and place fill in an existing boat ramp area directly associated with the Silver Slipper Casino. The purpose of the proposal would be to provide additional vehicle parking for casino guests, stabilize the shoreline associated with the Casino, and the construction of a marina for docking recreational vessels in the Bayou Caddy area of Hancock County.

Structures: The applicant would install 400' of bulkhead of sheet piling directly in front of the existing bulkhead. Approximately 1,100' of flow through breakwater would be constructed around the perimeter of the marina site. 100 mooring piles would be installed for anchoring purposes. Approximately 715' of nine foot wide floating piers and 605' of five foot wide floating piers would be installed for boat slip construction within the marina basin.

Dredging: An area approximately 450' long by 350' wide would be dredged to minus 8' at mean low water within the marina basin area. Approximately 40,000 cubic yards of dredged material would be removed and placed in at an approved upland disposal site or at the Point Clear Restoration Area.

Filling: An existing boat ramp area approximately 36,485 square feet in size would be filled to allow for the expansion of the surface parking area at the Silver Slipper Casino.

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 certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the State Coastal Zone Management Program. A determination relative to consistency will be made by the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources.

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, 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 State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Division of Archeological Services.

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. The National Marine Fisheries Service requires the evaluation of impacts to Essential Fish Habitat of estuarine species.

Plans of the proposed work are attached to this notice.

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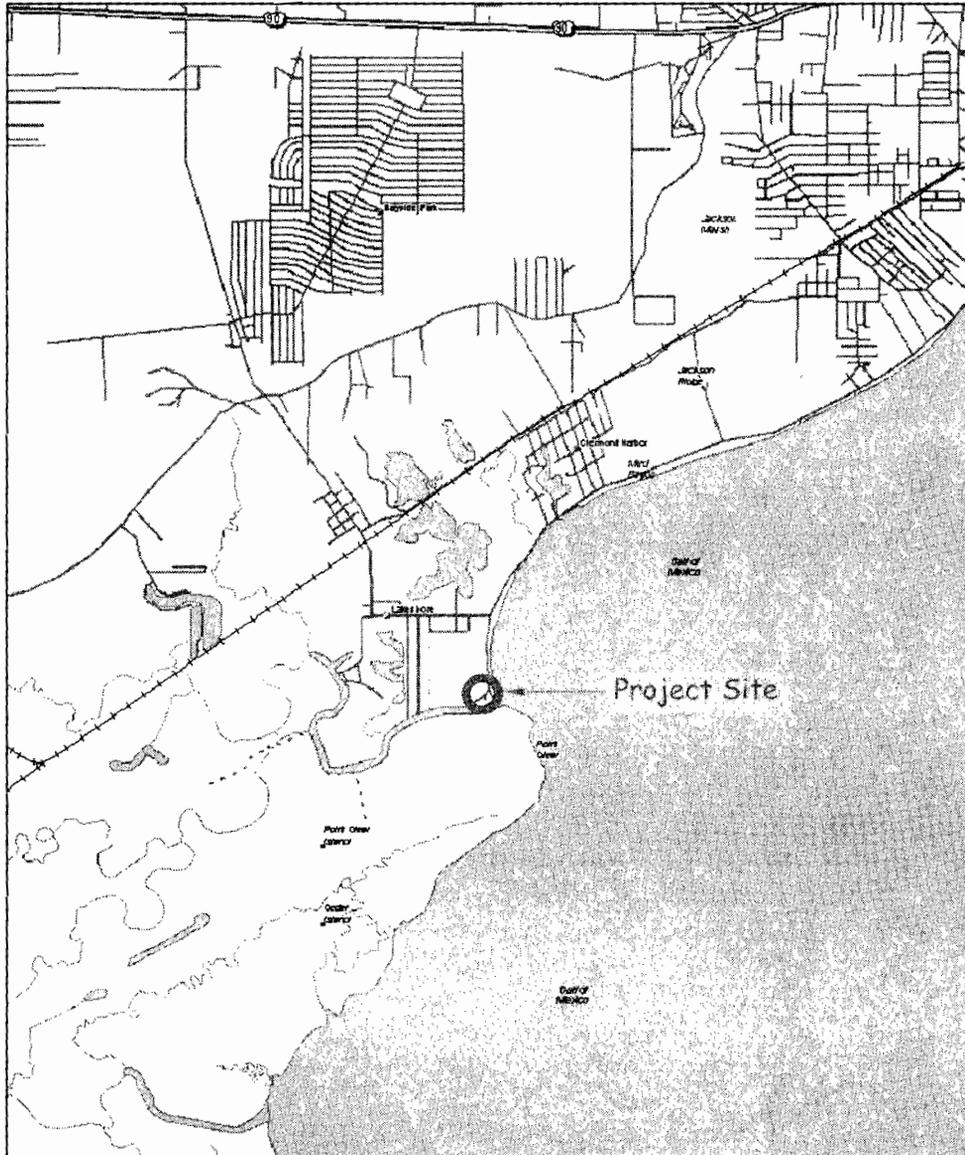
Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number SAM-2008-0557-CRO and should be directed to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Coastal Branch, with a copy to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Post Office Box 10385, Jackson, Mississippi 39289, and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Bureau of Wetlands Permitting, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530, in time to be received within 21 days of the date of this public notice.

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact this office, Carl R. Olsen (carl.r.olsen@usace.army.mil), telephone number (228) 523-4116. Please refer to the above Public Notice number.

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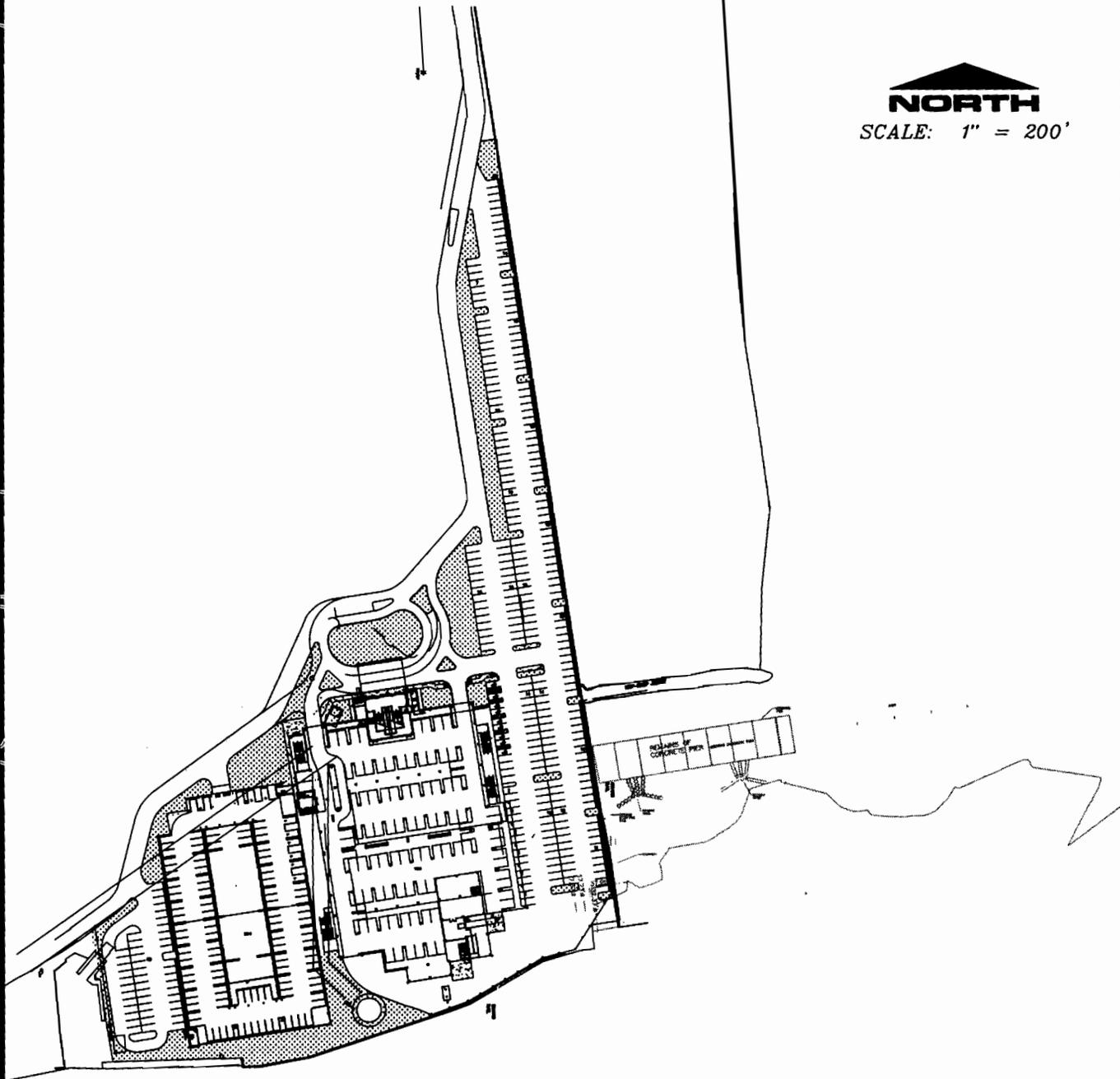
Enclosures



Vicinity Map
Silver Slipper Casino-Marina
Bayou Caddy, MS



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Existing Site Conditions
Silver Slipper Casino
Bayou Caddy, MS

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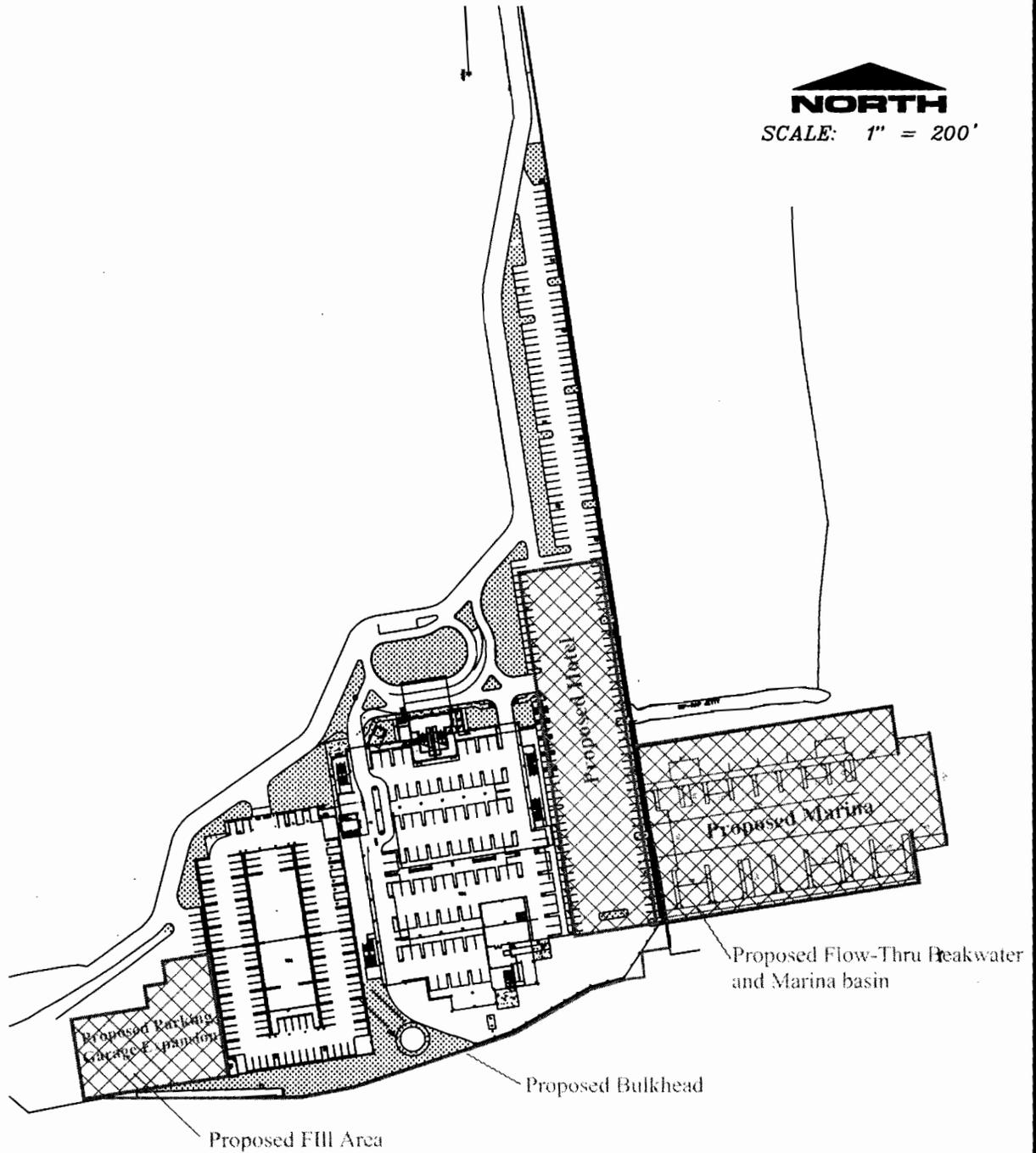
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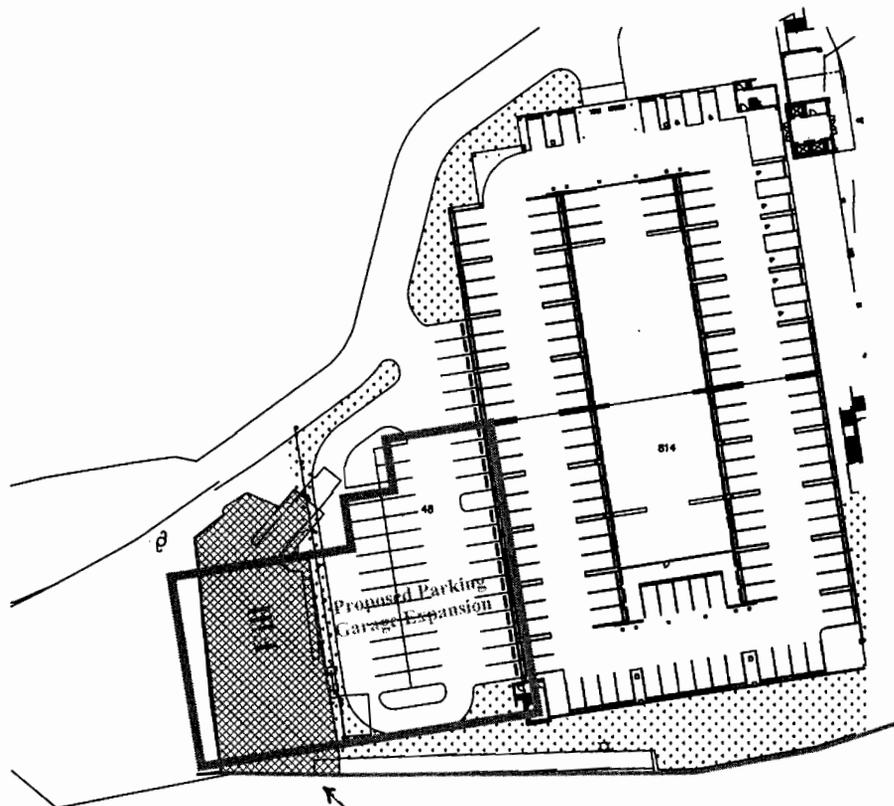
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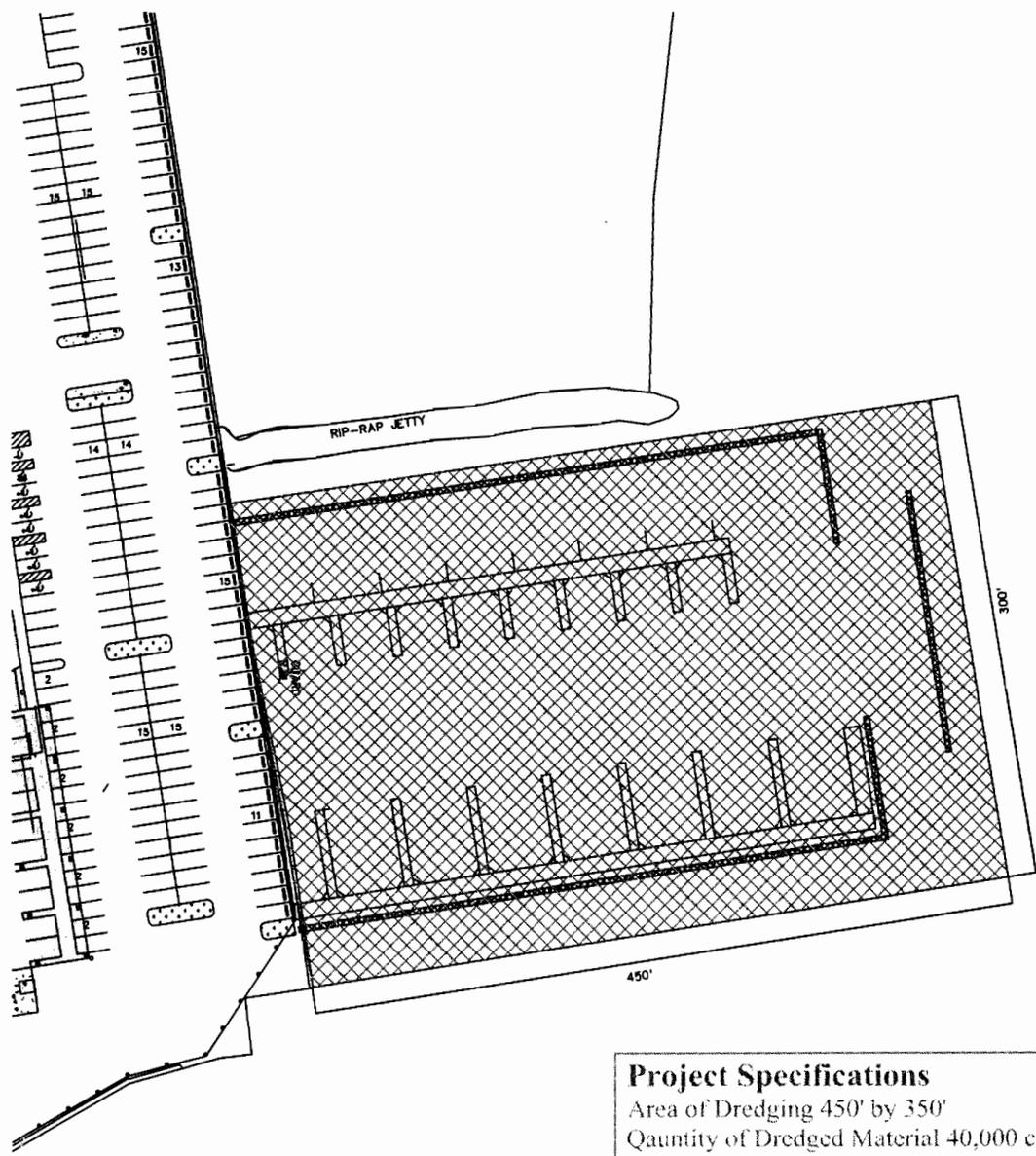


Proposed Site Plan Silver Slipper Casino-Marina Bayou Caddy, MS



Project Specifications
 Area of Filling 36,485 sq. ft.
 400 Space Parking Garage

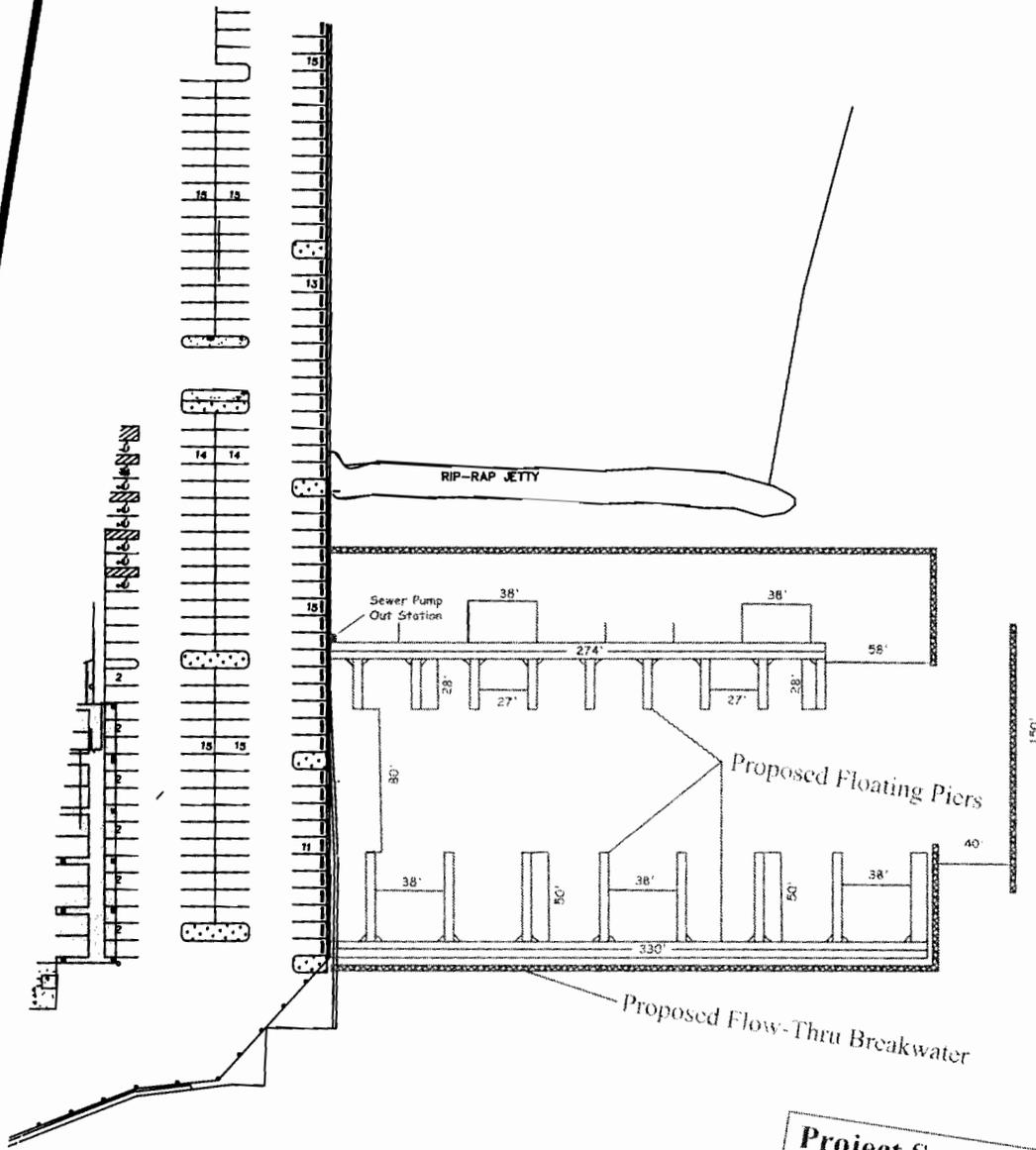
**Proposed Filling - Canal/Boatslip
 Silver Slipper Casino-Marina
 Bayou Caddy, MS**



Project Specifications
 Area of Dredging 450' by 300'
 Quantity of Dredged Material 40,000 cu yds

**Proposed Dredging
 Silver Slipper Casino-Marina
 Bayou Caddy, MS**

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Project Specifications
 37 Boat Slips
 605 lf of 5' Wide Floating Piers
 715 lf of 9' Wide Floating Piers
 1,100 lf of Flow-Thru Breakwater
 Sewer Pump Out Facility

**Proposed Marina Basin
 Silver Slipper Casino-Marina
 Bayou Caddy, MS**

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