



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, MOBILE  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
P.O. BOX 2288  
MOBILE, ALABAMA 36628-0001

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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. SAM-2008-635-DMY

June 16, 2008

**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE**

**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**PROPOSED IMPACTS TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT  
LAMAR COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

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). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

**APPLICANT:** Blurton, Banks,  
And Associates, Inc.  
6055 Ridgewood Road  
Jackson, Mississippi 39211

**AGENT:** Pittman Environmental Services, LLC  
Attention: Mr. Bart Pittman  
Post Office Box 16296  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39404

**LOCATION:** Located within an un-named tributary system that drains to Perkins Creek. Project specifically located Cole Road, West Hattiesburg / Oak Grove, Mississippi. Section 19; Township 4 North; and Range 14 West; Lamar County, Mississippi. Latitude North 31.298 and Longitude West -89.4444.

**WORK:** The applicant proposes to impact waters of the United States including wetlands associated with the construction of an approximated 35-acre 82-lot residential subdivision. Proposed construction activities will involve the filling of approximately 1.2 acres of bayhead and shrub wetland habitat associated with road crossings and a retention pond. The site has been previously utilized for farming activities.

Compensation for the proposed unavoidable impacts will be made through the purchase of the necessary credits at a local mitigation bank and onsite preservation. Currently the applicant is

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performing a functional assessment of the habitat proposed to be impacted as a result of the project.

The applicant will apply for state certification in accordance with Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act. Additionally the applicant will coordinate to ensure 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 Mississippi Department of Marine Resources and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

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 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

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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 will be contacted through the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for properties listed in or eligible for the National Register that are known to exist which would be affected from the proposed work. Due to the amount of previous ground disturbance and historical knowledge of the site, this review in conjunction with the SHPO will constitute 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 the project 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.

A survey for Threatened and Endangered species was conducted by the applicant and found no federally listed species within the project footprint. Coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) was performed by the applicant. By a letter dated January 4, 2007 the FWS stated concurrence that no federally listed species were found within the project footprint.

The Mobile District has determined that the proposed action would not adversely impact Essential Fish Habitat or associated fisheries managed by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council or the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to **Public Notice Number SAM 2008-635-DMY** and should be directed to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Inland Branch. With a copy furnished to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Post Office Box 10385, Jackson, Mississippi 39285-0385. Additionally provide a copy to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530. Comments should be received no later than **30 days from the date of this Public Notice.**

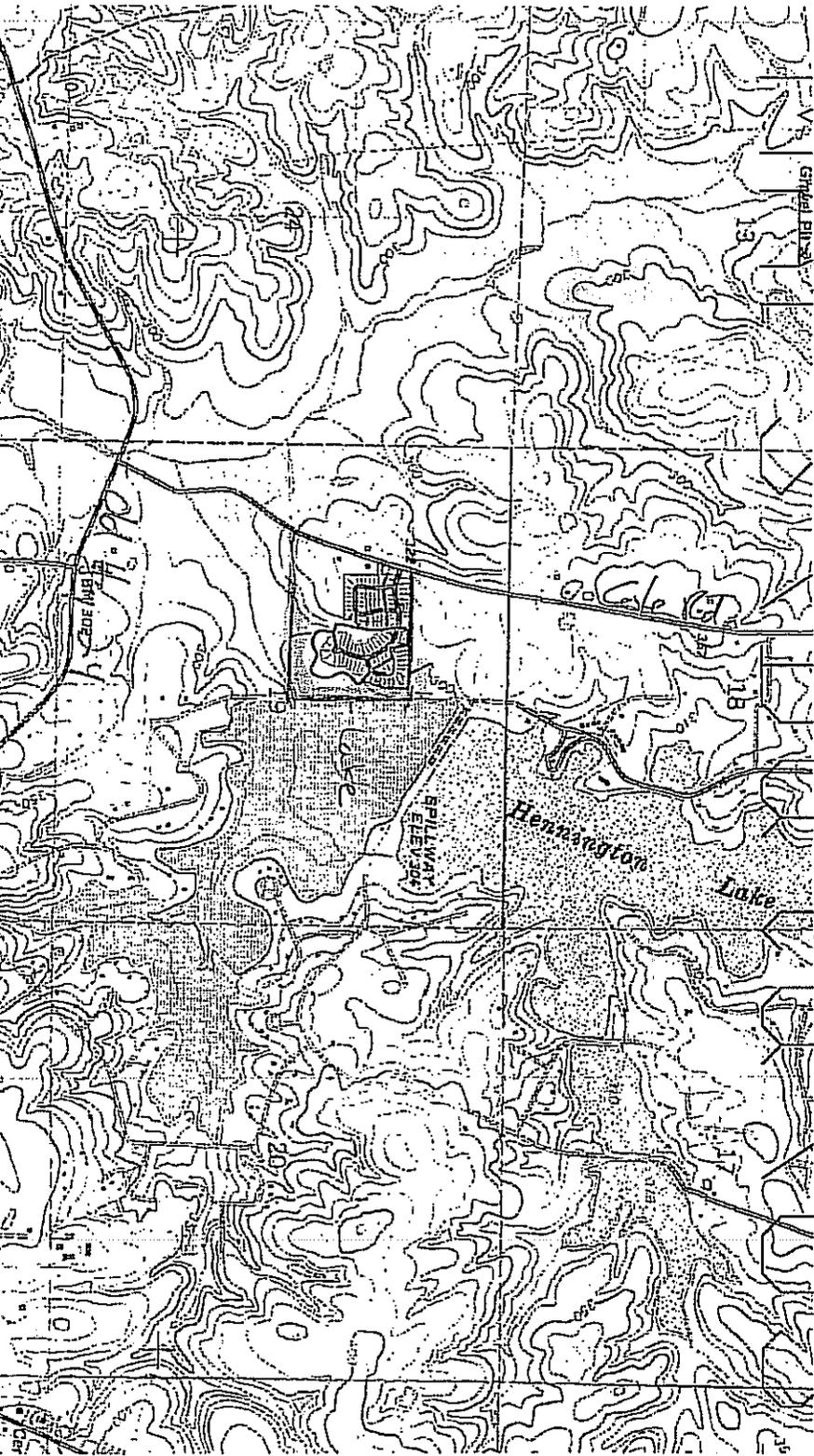
If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact the Project Manager Mr. Damon M. Young, P.G. via email at [damon.m.young@sam.usace.army.mil](mailto:damon.m.young@sam.usace.army.mil) or telephone number (251) 690-2658. Please refer to the Public Notice SAM-2008-635-DMY.

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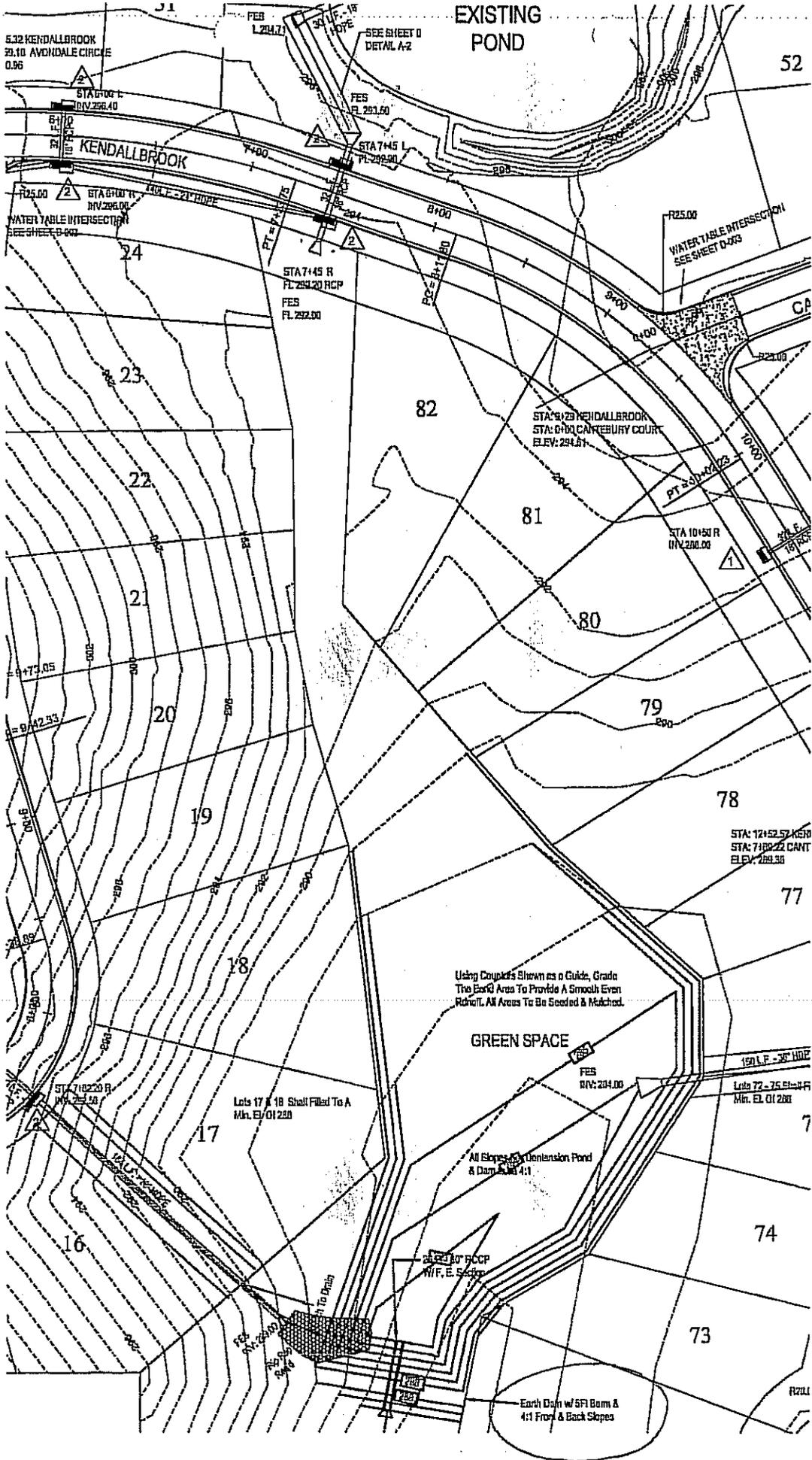
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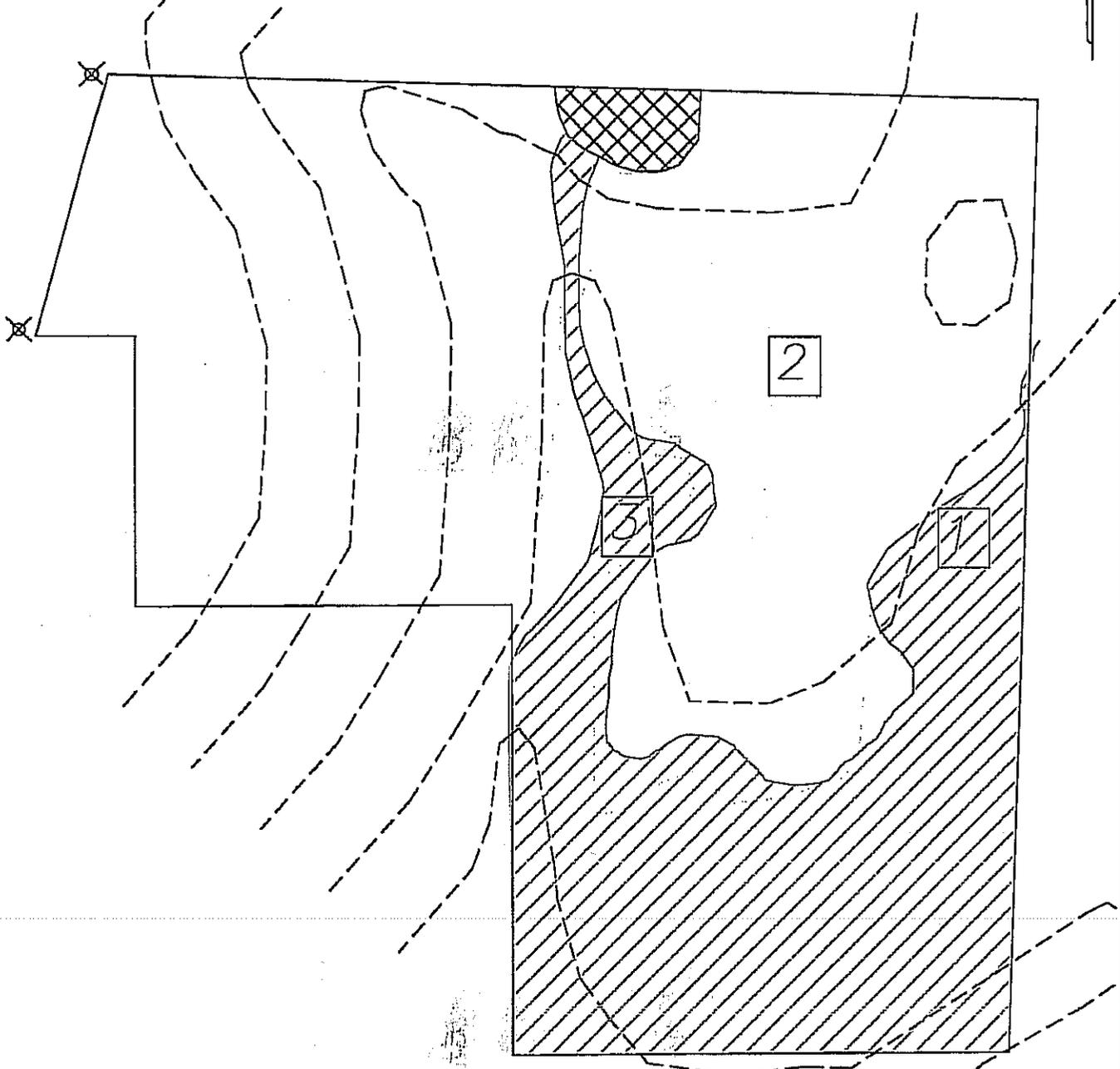




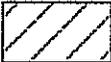
# PRELIMINARY WETLAND DELINEATION

Approximately 34.8 Acres  
Section 19, T-4N, R-14W  
Lamar County, Mississippi

100 0 100 200 300 Feet



# DATA POINTS

 Delineated Jurisdictional Wetland  
±10.9 Acres Total

 Pond  
±0.49 Acres

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