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MOBILE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P.O. BOX 2288
MOBILE, ALABAMA 36628-0001

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. AL00-01552-U

1 June 2000

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

CONSTRUCT A SHIP BERTH FOR LOADING SPOOLED PIPE,
THEODORE SHIP CHANNEL, 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: Coflexip Stena Offshore, Inc.
7660 Woodway, Suite 390
Houston, Texas 77063

WATERWAY: Theodore Ship Channel, Mobile County, Alabama.

WORK: The applicant proposes to construct a multiple ship berth for the loading of spooled pipe onto specialized spool vessels. Pipe will be fabricated at an onshore spoolbase facility located between the proposed dock and Dauphin Island Parkway. Approximately 1,150,000 cubic yards of material will be hydraulically dredged and mechanically excavated and placed in two existing diked dredged material disposal areas. Project depth is -40.0 feet mean low water. 1,350 feet of sheetpile bulkhead and pile supported dock will be constructed. No wetlands, vegetated shallows or special aquatic sites will be impacted.

The purpose of the project is to provide a spooled pipe loading facility. The spooled pipe will transported to sites in the Gulf of Mexico and used to transport offshore natural gas to onshore facilities.

The applicant has applied for certification from the State of Alabama 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. Upon completion of the required advertising, 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 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 of Engineers 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 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. The proposed sites for the dock and spool pipe fabrication facility were previously investigated and cleared for cultural resources by permits issued to North American Gulf Terminals Inc. and the U.S. Navy. 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.

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.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The proposed project will dredge approximately 21 acres of estuarine substrate utilized by various life stages of various marine organisms. The project will create approximately 5 acres of estuarine substrate from uplands. This substrate will also be used by various marine organisms. Our initial determination is that the proposed action will not have a substantial impact of 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.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number AL00-01552-U and should be directed to the District Engineer, U. S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Regulatory Branch, with a copy to Department of Environmental Management, 4171 Commanders Drive, Mobile, Alabama 36615, in time to be received prior to **1 July 2000**.

1 June 2000

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact this office, Mr. John B. McFadyen, telephone number (334) 690-3261. Please refer to the Public Notice number.

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Enclosures

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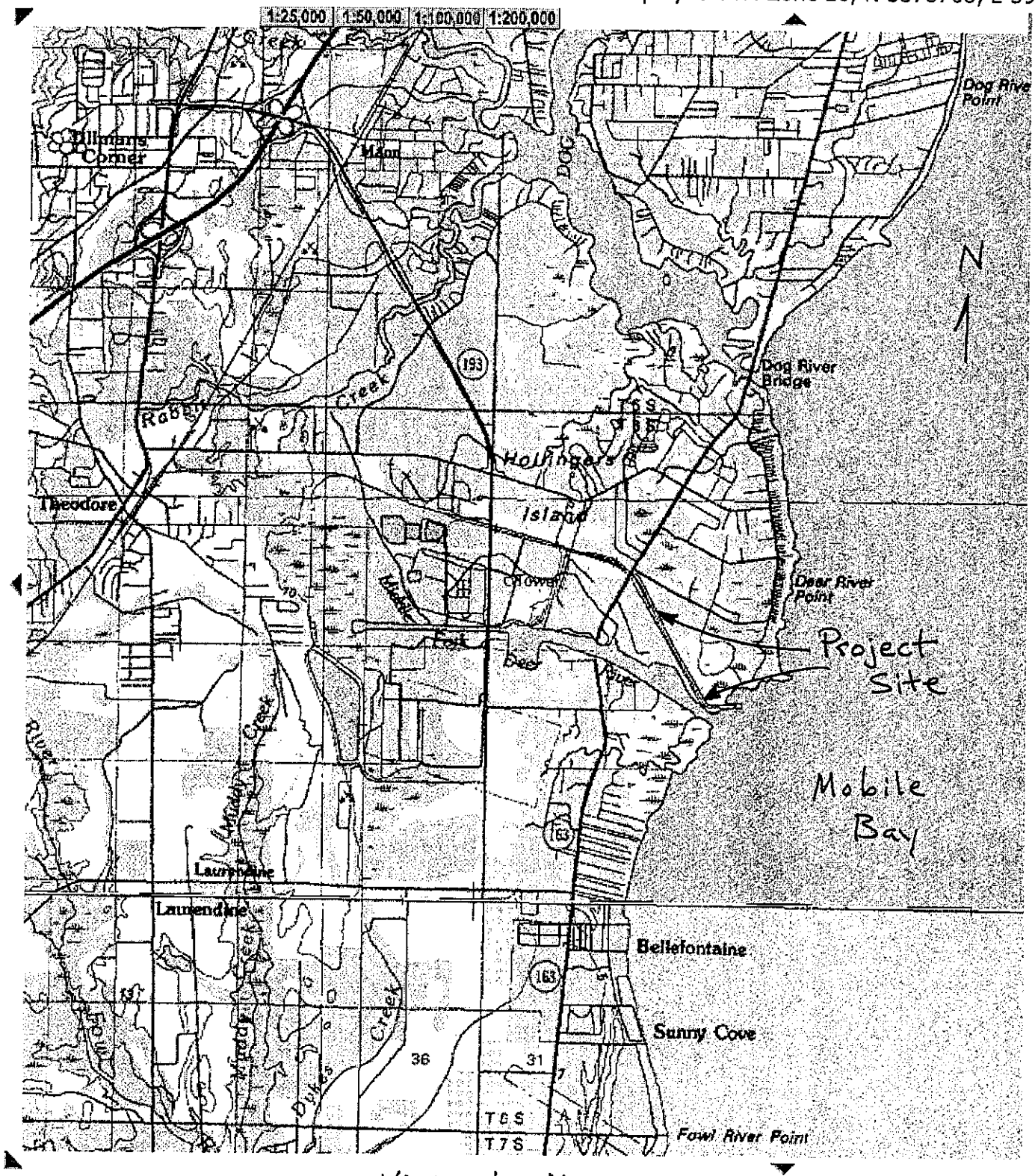
Exact center of display is UTM Zone 16, N 3378708, E 39



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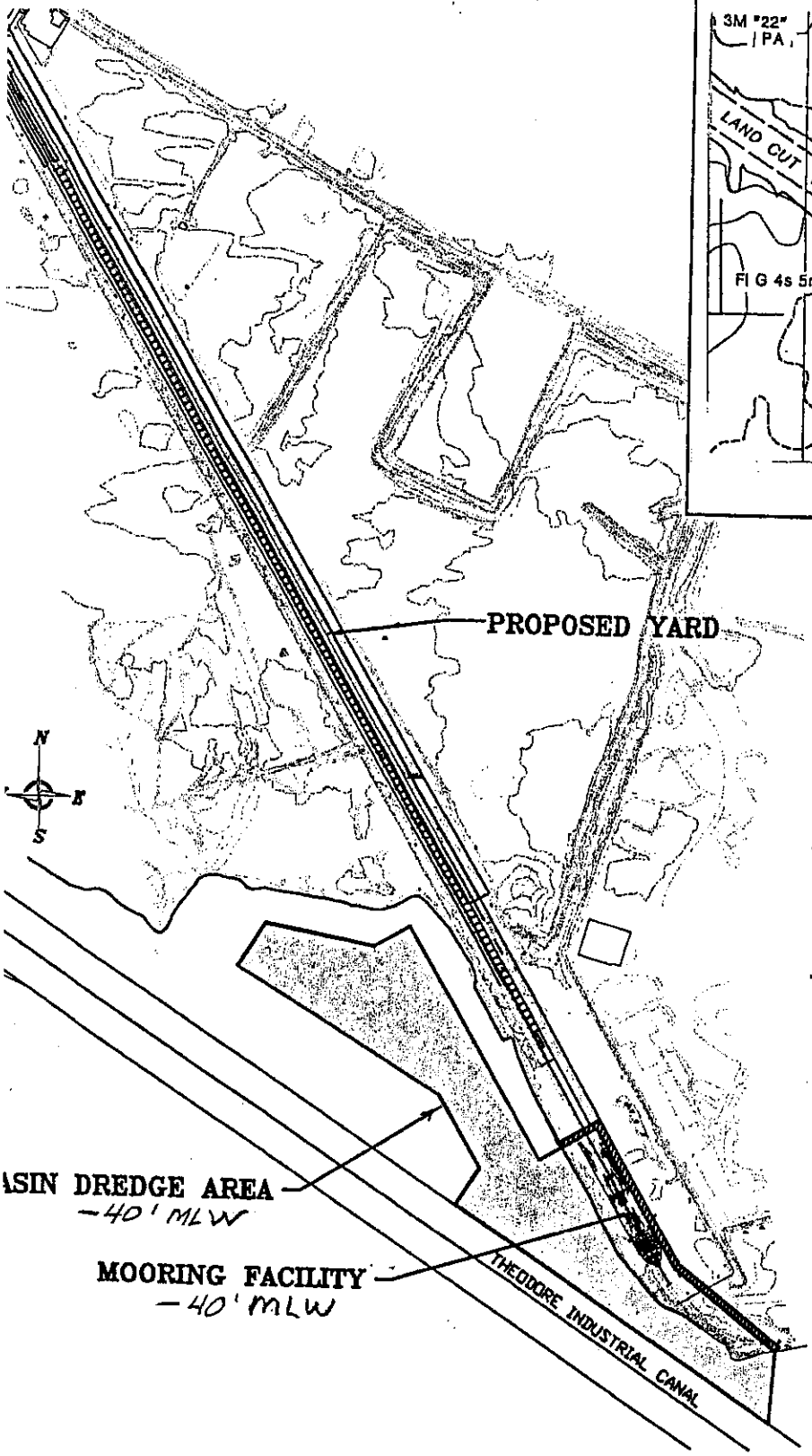

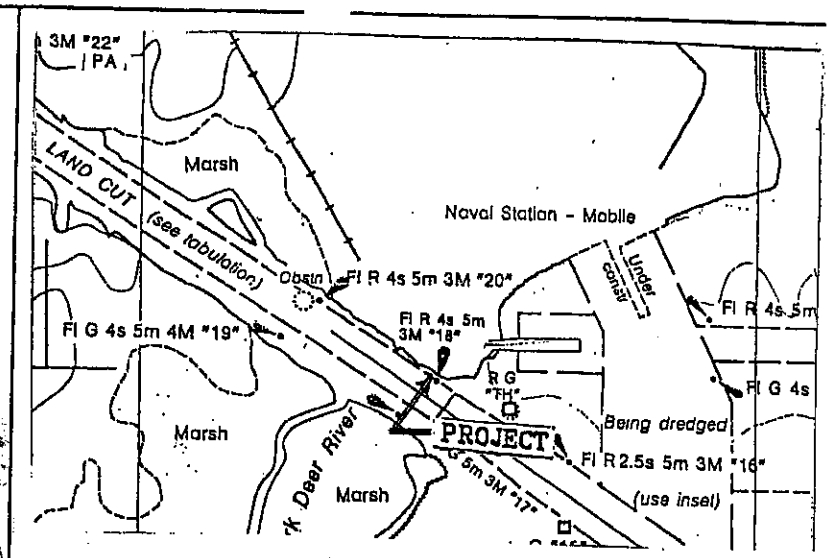

VICINITY MAP

PURPOSE:

PROVIDE DOCK FACILITY TO ALLOW FOR THE SPOOLING OF PIPE ONTO VESSELS.

DATUM:

MEAN LOW WATER

ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:

ALABAMA STATE DOCKS
MR. GORDON JUMONVILLE

CUT:

APPROXIMATELY 1,150,000 C.Y. OF NEW CUT MATERIAL.

SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1"=800'-0"

0 400' 800' 1600' 2400'

PROPOSED SPOOLBASE FACILITY
AT THEODORE INDUSTRIAL PARK
IN MOBILE BAY
COUNTY OF: MOBILE STATE: ALABAMA

APPLICATION BY
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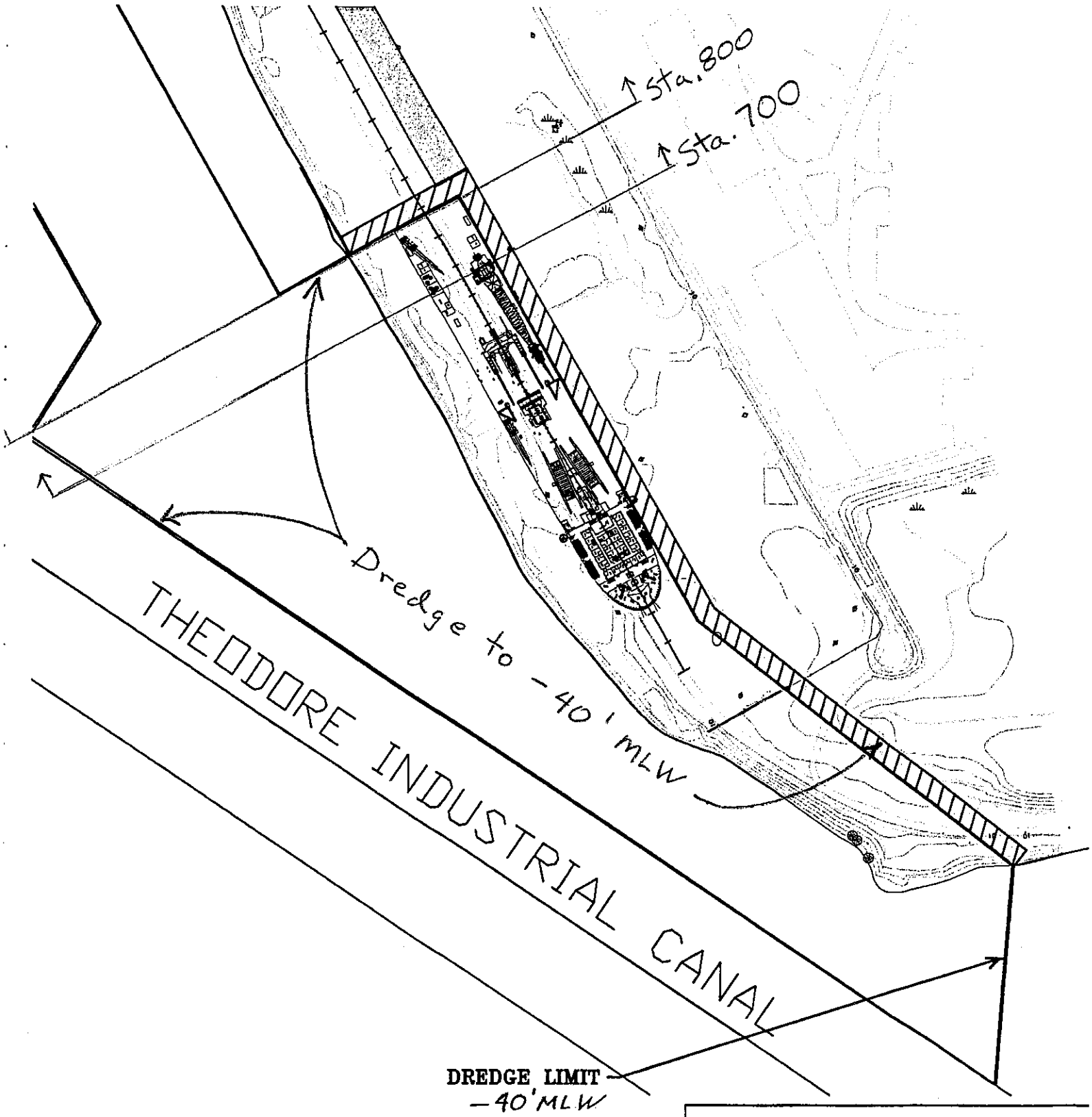

ENLARGED VESSEL MOORING PLAN

SCALE: 1"=200'-0"

0 100' 200' 400' 600'

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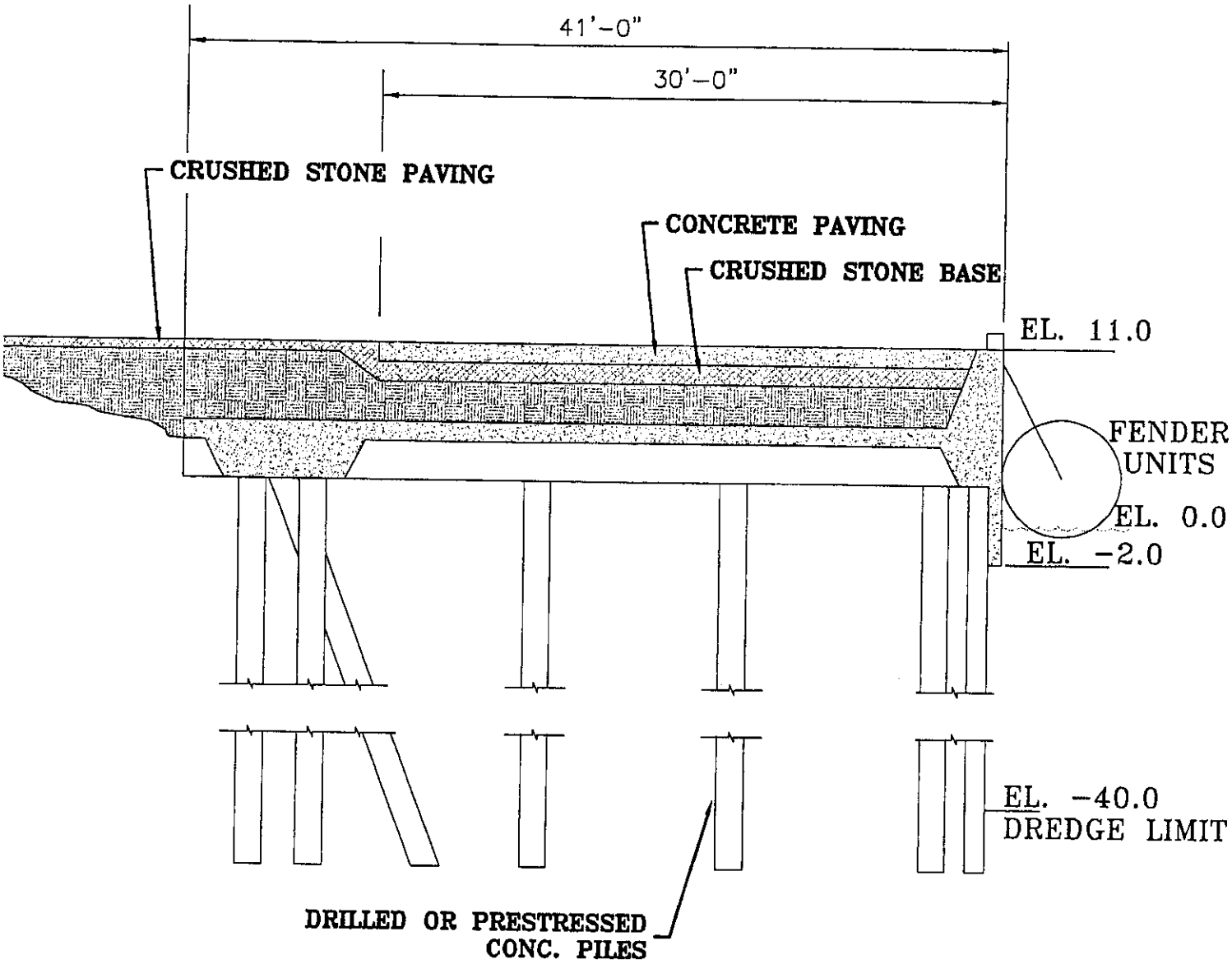

TYPICAL DOCK SECTION

SCALE: $\frac{1}{8}$"=1'-0"

8' 0 8' 16'

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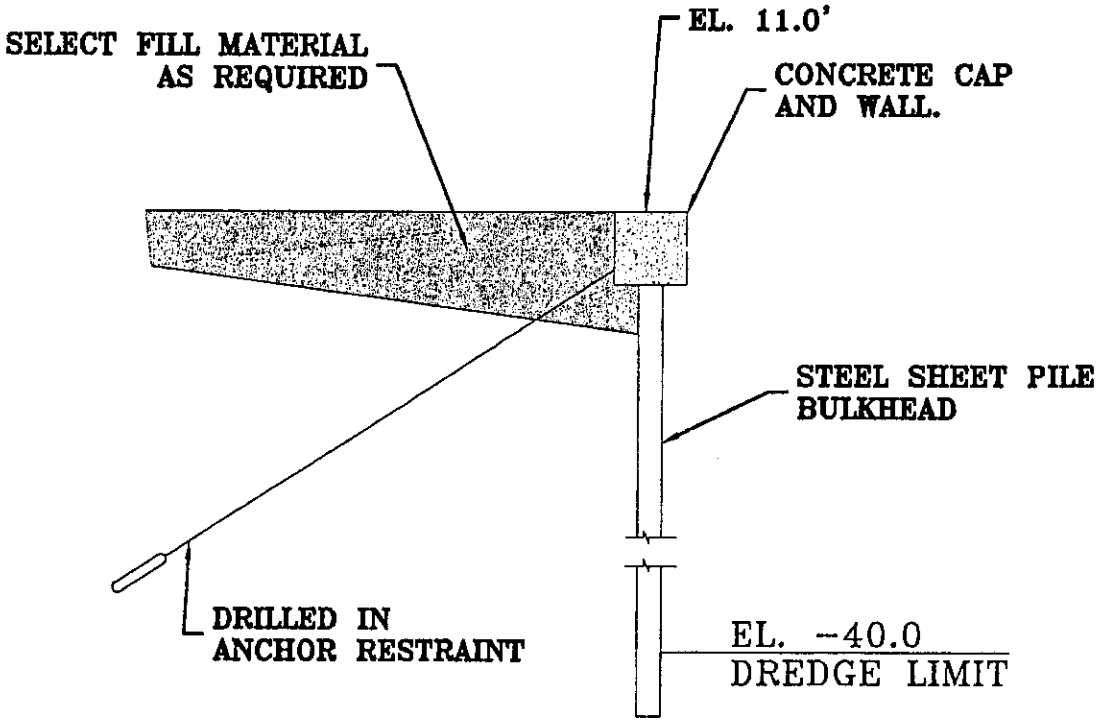

TYPICAL SECTION AT BULKHEAD EXTENSIONS

SCALE: $\frac{1}{8}$"=1'-0"

8' 0 8' 16'

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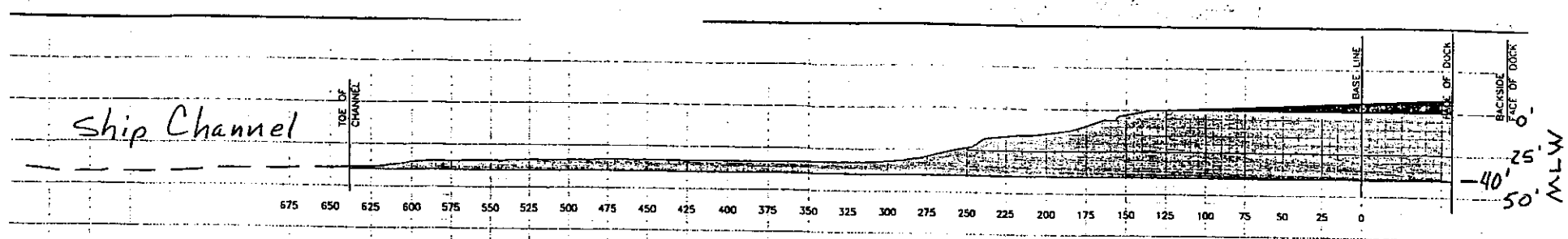
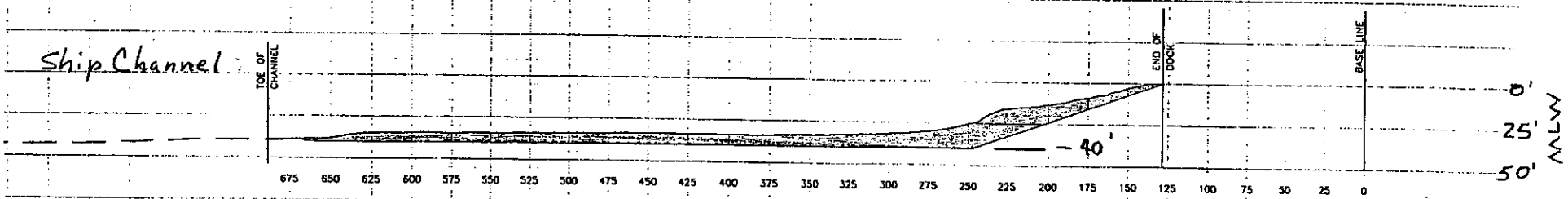
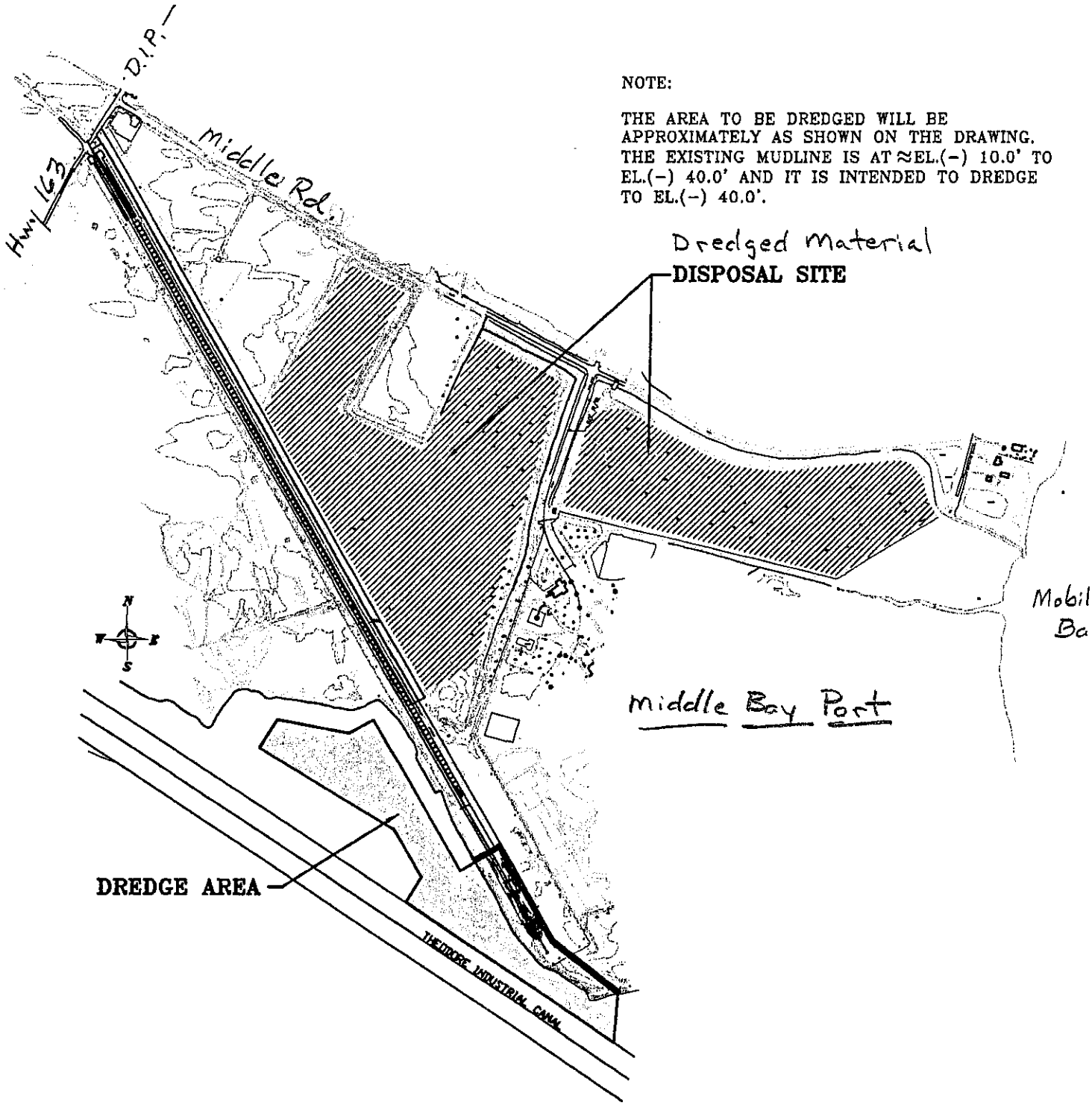


SECTION @ STATION 700
1"=40'
DRY CUT AREA = 731 FT²
CUT AREA = 13468 FT²



SECTION @ STATION 800
1"=40'
CUT AREA = 3836 FT²

Typical Sections



NOTE:

THE AREA TO BE DREDGED WILL BE APPROXIMATELY AS SHOWN ON THE DRAWING. THE EXISTING MUDLINE IS AT ≈EL.(-) 10.0' TO EL.(-) 40.0' AND IT IS INTENDED TO DREDGE TO EL.(-) 40.0'.

DISPOSAL AREA PLAN

SCALE: 1"=800'-0"

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