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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. SAM-2018-00535-JMT

June 28, 2022

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PROPOSED DISCHARGE OF FILL MATERIAL INTO WETLANDS AND UNNAMED
TRIBUTARIES TO HOGPEN BRANCH ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXPANSION OF THE
BARBER MOTORSPORTS FACILITY IN BIRMINGHAM, JEFFERSON COUNTY,
ALABAMA

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

APPLICANT: Barber Motorsports Park
Attention: Mark Whitt – Director of Operations
6040 Barber Motorsports Parkway
Birmingham, Alabama 35094
mwhitt@barbermuseum.org

AGENT: Cahaba Consulting, LLC
Attention: Carl Hubbert, Jr.
2645 Buckboard Road
Birmingham, Alabama 35244
chubbert@cahabaconsulting.com

LOCATION: **The proposed project is in wetlands and unnamed tributaries to Hogpen Branch in Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. Specifically, the project boundary is located within Section 27, Township 17 South and Range 1 West. Center coordinates of the project site are latitude 33.5260, longitude -86.6252. The project is in the Cahaba River 8-digit hydrologic unit code (HUC 03150202).**

PROJECT PURPOSE: **The basic project purpose is recreation.**

PROPOSED WORK: **The applicant is requesting authorization to discharge fill material into waters of the United States (U.S.) in association with the expansion of the track at the Barber Motorsports facility. The applicant proposes to discharge fill material in 0.98 acre of jurisdictional wetlands, 5,638 linear feet of**

stream, and 0.36 acre of open water pond associated with the construction of the track expansion.

TABLE 1 – PROPOSED AQUATIC RESOURCE IMPACTS			
ID Name	Impact Amount (linear feet (lf) or acre (ac))	Resource Type	Impact
S1	400 lf	Perennial	Fill
S1	1088 lf	Perennial	Pipe
S2	613 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S2a	76 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S2b	28 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S3	275 lf	Perennial	Fill
S3a	90 lf	Intermittent	Pipe
S4	182 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S5	894 lf	Perennial	Fill
S6	303 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S7	134 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S8	195 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S9	115 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S10	238 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S11	230 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S12	317 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S13	200 lf	Intermittent	Fill
S13a	120 lf	Ephemeral	Fill
S14	140 lf	Perennial	Fill
W1	0.65 ac	Forested	Fill
W2	0.06 ac	Forested	Fill
W3	0.27 ac	Forested	Fill
P1	0.36 ac	Open Water Pond	Fill

AVOIDANCE & MINIMIZATION: According to the applicant, the original design included mass grading 80 acres within the property boundary, which would impact 7,296 linear feet of stream, 0.98 acre of wetlands, and 0.36 acre of open water pond. During project planning, the design was revised in order to minimize proposed impacts to aquatic resources. Of the 8,863 linear feet of stream and 1.1 acres of wetlands on site, 3,225 linear feet and 0.12 acre will be avoided, respectively, with the proposed plan. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has not verified the adequacy of the applicant's avoidance and minimization efforts at this time.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: The applicant proposes to purchase stream and wetland credits from an approved mitigation bank.

The applicant will apply for certification from the State of Alabama in accordance with Section 401(a) (1) of the Clean Water Act. Upon completion of the required advertising and public comment review, a determination relative to water quality certification 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 USACE 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 USACE 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 USACE 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.

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 affect cultural and historic properties within the permit area. The USACE has not made a determination of effects to historic properties at this time. Further coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer and/or federally-recognized American Indian tribes will be performed as determined to be appropriate. Copies of this public notice are being distributed to the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally recognized American Indian tribes, and the National Park Service, Division of Archaeological Services for review and comment.

ENDANGERED/THREATENED SPECIES: Preliminary review of this application and the U.S. Department of the Interior List of Endangered and Threatened Species indicates the following species have the potential to occur in the project watershed: gray bat, Indiana bat, northern long-eared bat, Alabama moccasinshell, finelined pocketbook, orange-nacre mucket, ovate clubshell, southern acornshell, southern clubshell, triangular kidneyshell, upland combshell, and Cahaba shiner. The USACE has not made a determination regarding potential effects of the project on the above-listed species at this time. Further coordination with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be performed as determined to be appropriate. Copies of this public notice are being sent to the USFWS for review and comment.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number **SAM-2018-00535-JMT** and should be directed to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mobile District, Birmingham Field Office, Attention: **Ms. Courtney Shea**, 600 Vestavia Parkway, Suite 203, Vestavia Hills, AL 35216, with a copy to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, Field Operations Division, Office of Field Services, Attention: Mr. Richard Hulcher, Post Office Box 301463, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-1463. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to USACE at **Courtney.M.Shea@usace.army.mil** and to ADEM at **fieldmail@adem.alabama.gov**.

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 via e-mail at **Courtney.M.Shea@usace.army.mil** or telephone number **(205) 381-8108**. Please refer to the above Public Notice number.

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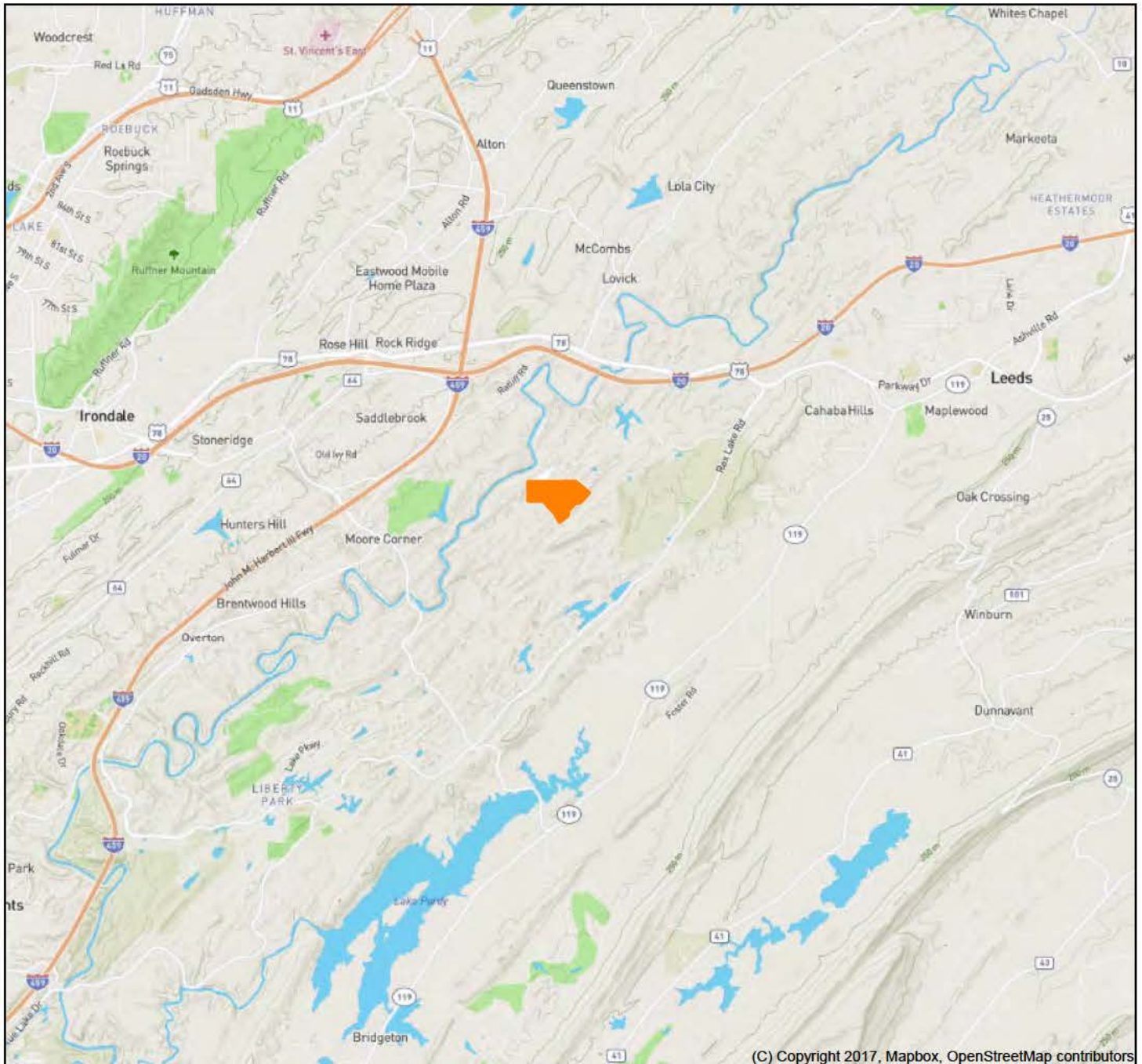
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PROJECT BOUNDARY



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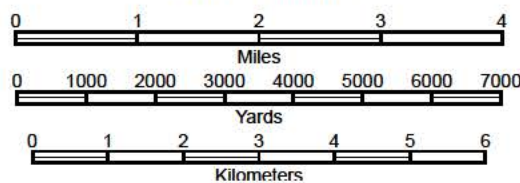
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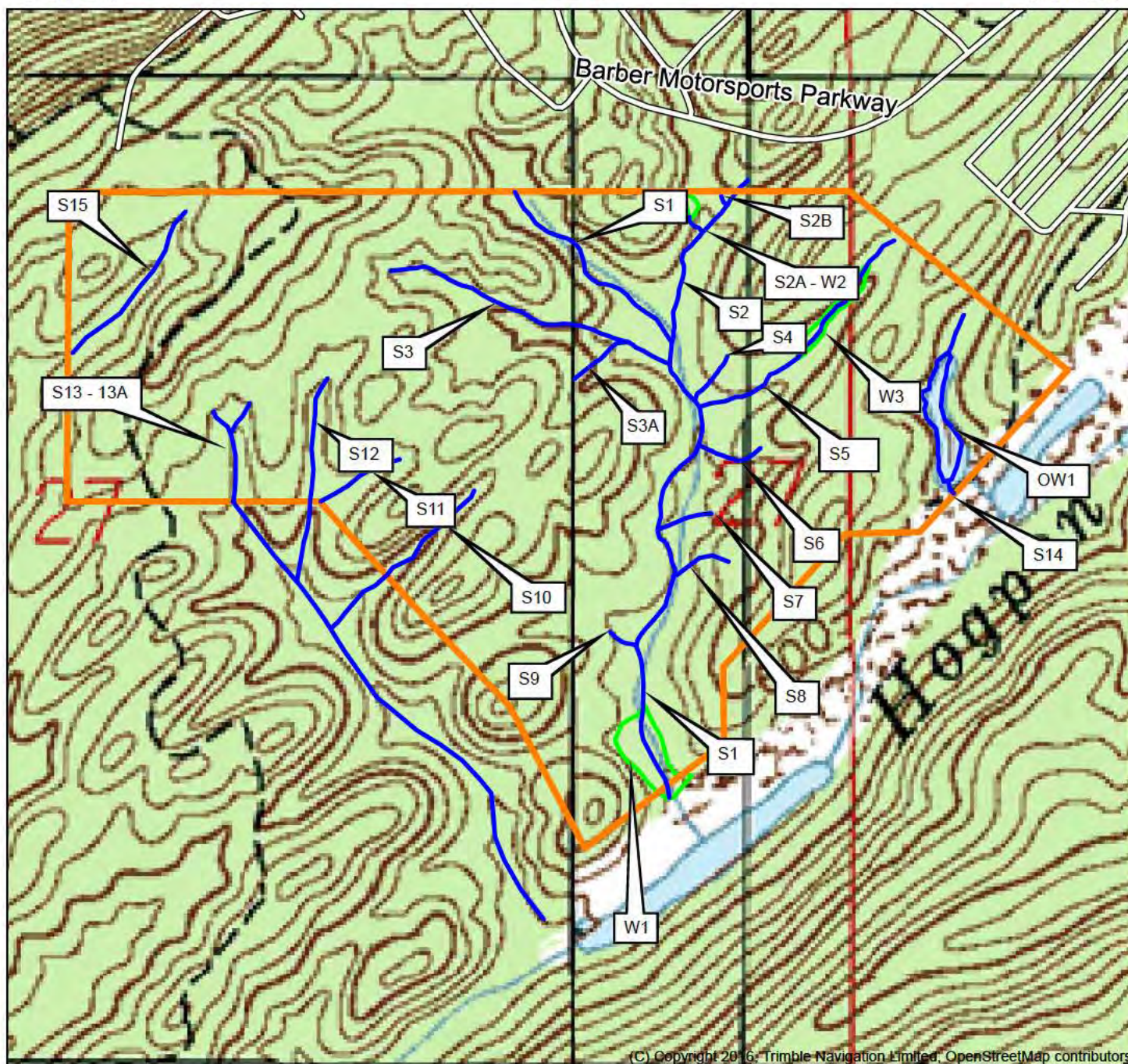
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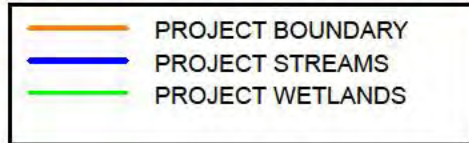
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Waters of the United States
Figure 1 - USGS 7.5 MIN Quad - Topographic
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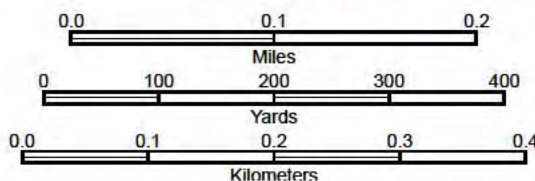
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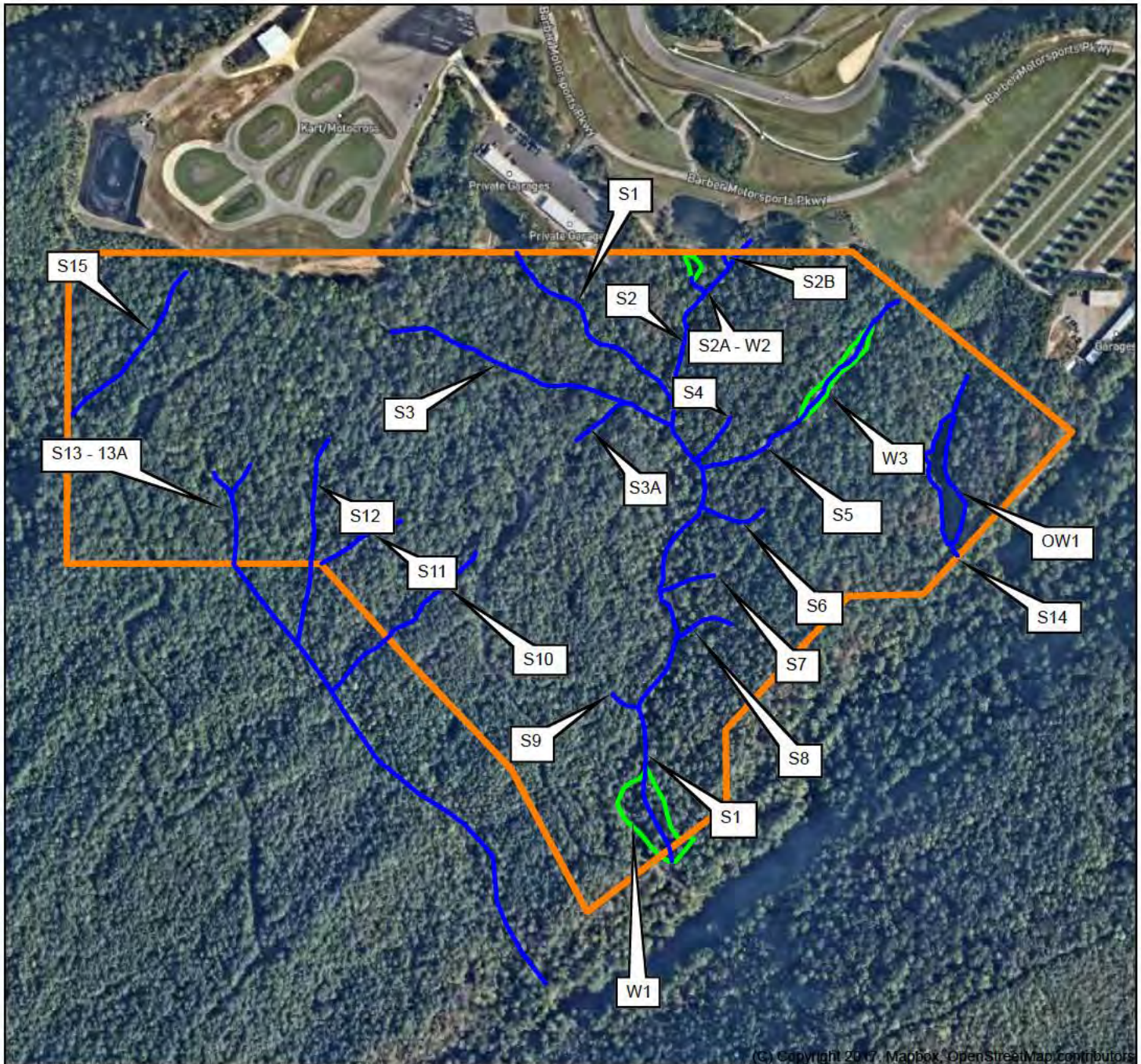
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Waters of the United States

Figure 2 -Terrain Navigator V 12.1 - Aerial Ortho Imagery
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- PROJECT BOUNDARY
- PROJECT STREAMS
- PROJECT WETLANDS

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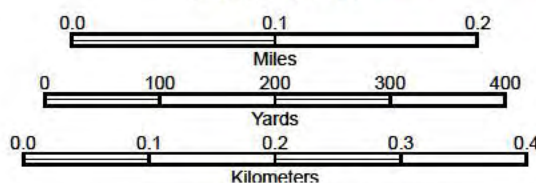
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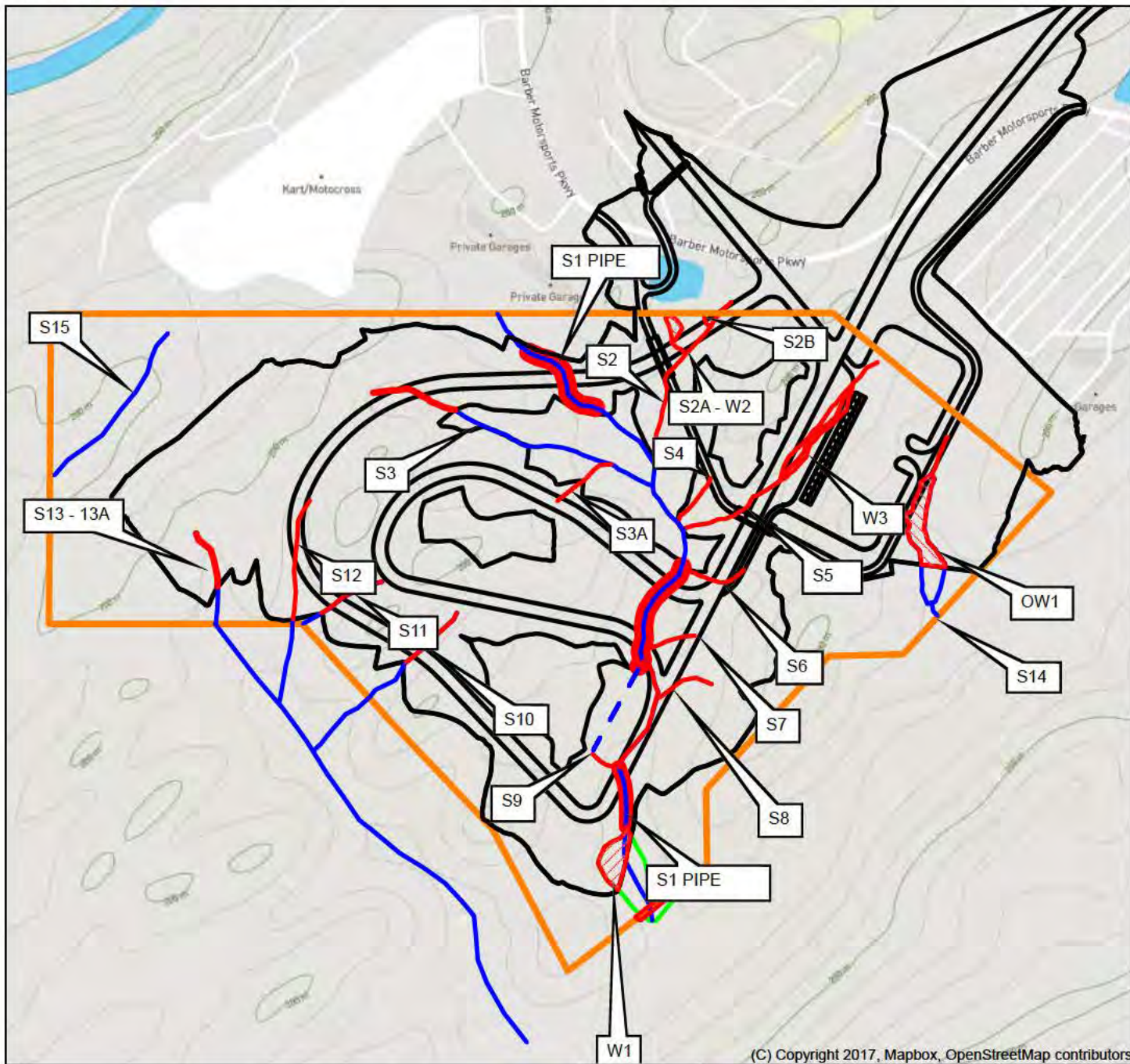
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Preferred Project Stream Impacts - 5,525 lf (0.39 acre)
Wetland Impacts - 0.66 AC
Figure 4 -Terrain Navigator V 12.1 - Terrain Topographic
May 2022

- PROJECT BOUNDARY
- PROJECT WETLANDS
- PROPOSED PROJECT
- PROJECT STREAMS
- PROJECT IMPACTS

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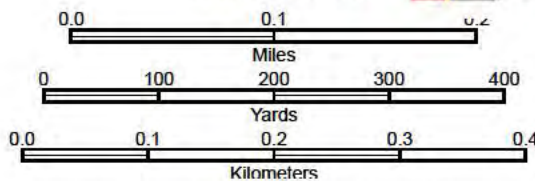
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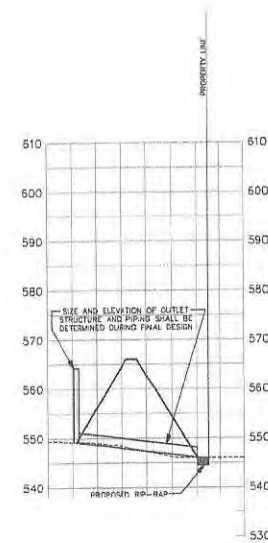
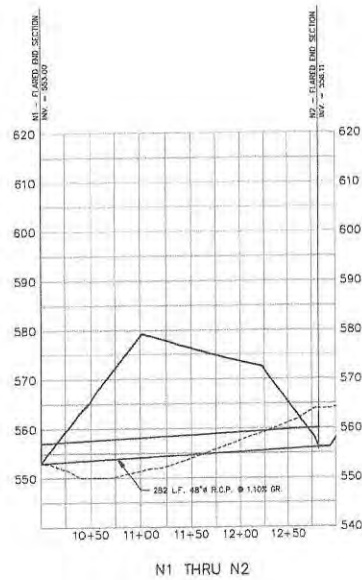
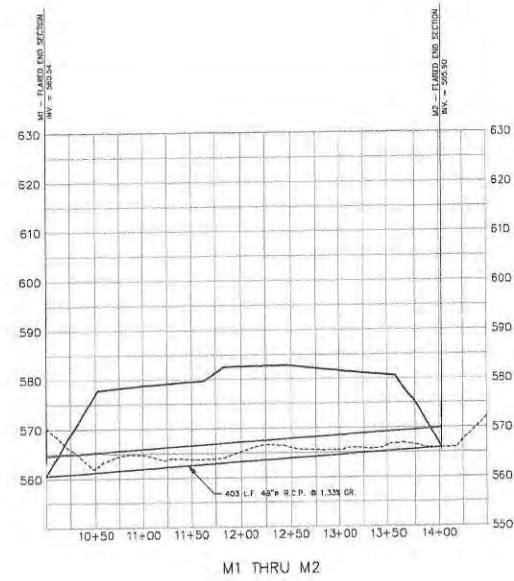
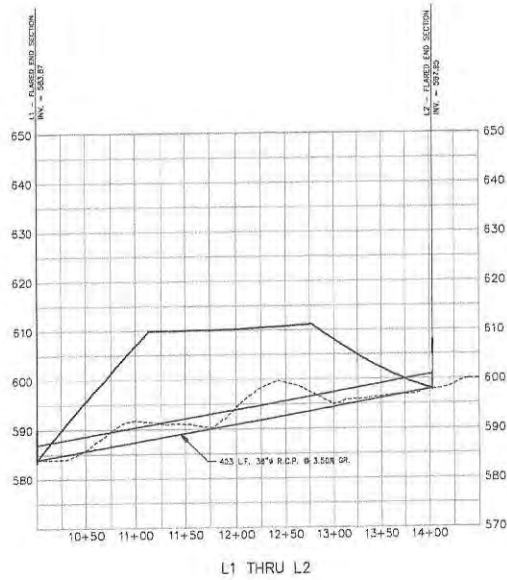


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Figure 3B
Preferred Project - Plan and Profiles
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