

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MOBILE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS BIRMINGHAM FIELD OFFICE 218 SUMMIT PARKWAY, SUITE 222 HOMEWOOD, ALABAMA 35209

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

PROPOSED DISCHARGE OF FILL MATERIAL INTO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

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). This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons to assist in developing facts on which a decision by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) can be based. Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: DR Horton

Attention: Mr. Jerry Howard 2188 Parkway Lake Drive

Suite 200

Hoover, Alabama 35244

AGENT: Environmental, Inc.

Attention: Mr. Heath Belyeu 1345 Blair Farms Road Odenville. Alabama 35120

LOCATION: The proposed project is located in wetlands and tributaries in Trussville, Jefferson County, Alabama. The site is situated in Section 6, Township 17 South, Range 1 East and centered at Latitude 33.58585, Longitude -86.57970. The project is located within the Cahaba River 8-digit HUC (HUC 03150202).

PROJECT PURPOSE: The basic project purpose is housing.

WORK: The applicant is seeking authorization for the discharge of fill material into 0.04 acre of wetlands, 734 linear feet of ephemeral stream, 574 linear feet of intermittent stream, and 396 linear feet of perennial stream associated with the construction of a residential subdivision.

AVOIDANCE & MINIMIZATION: The project avoids impacts to Stream 1, Stream 4, Stream 7, Stream 11, Stream 13, Stream 14, Wetland 2, Wetland 3 and Wetland 4.

MITIGATION: The applicant proposes to mitigate for the unavoidable loss of wetlands and streams through the purchase of mitigation credits from a Corps approved mitigation bank.

WATER QUALITY: The applicant will apply 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.

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 AND CULTURAL RESOURCES: 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. Copies of this public notice are being sent to the State Historic Preservation Officer, Federally recognized American Indian Tribes, and the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Division of Archaeological Services for review.

ENDANGERED/THREATENED SPECIES: A habitat assessment revealed the presence of potential summer roosting habitat for the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and the Northern-long eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) at the site. The USACE will initiate consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should <u>refer to Public Notice Number</u> **SAM-2018-01264-CMS** and <u>should be directed to</u>:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mobile District North Branch Attention: Ms. Courtney Shea 218 Summit Parkway, Suite 222 Homewood, Alabama 35209

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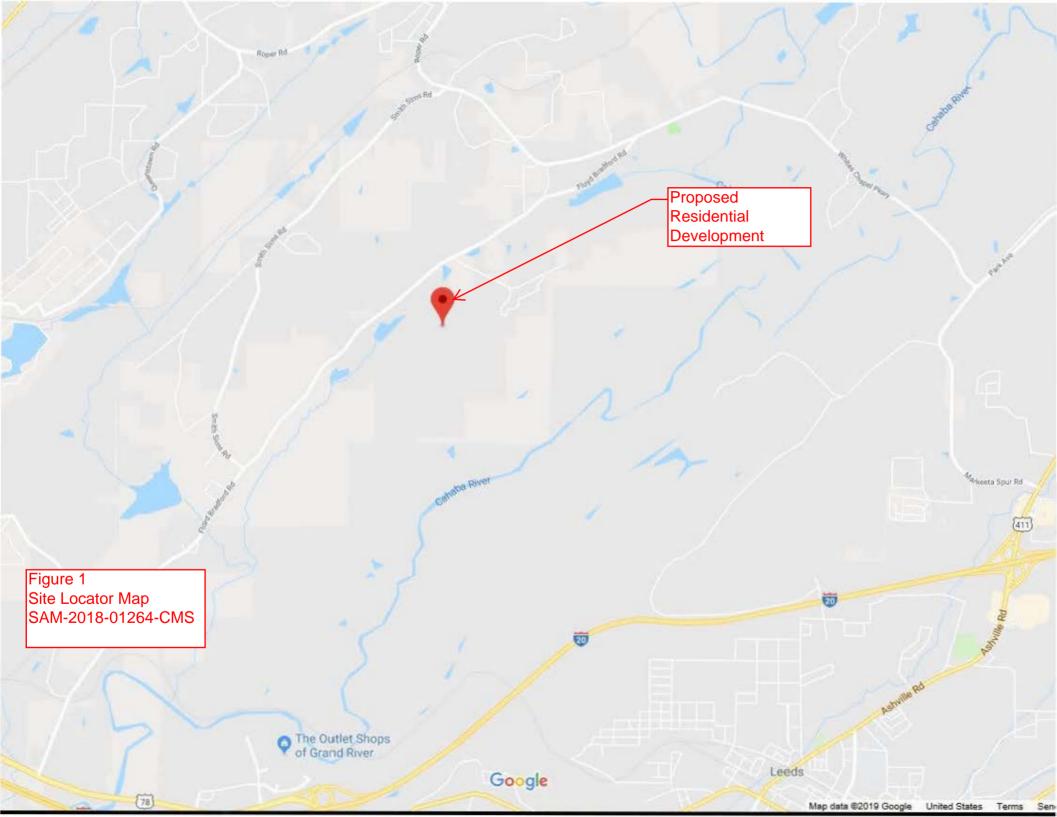
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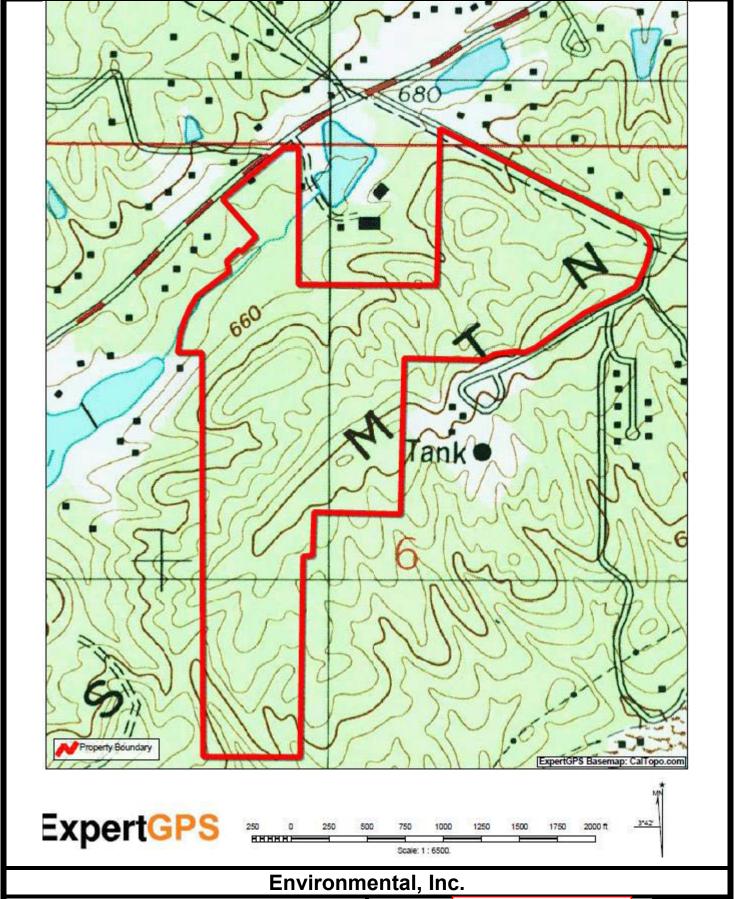
Comments should be received no later than **30 days** from the date of this Public notice. If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact the project manager, Ms. Courtney Shea, via e-mail at **Courtney.M.Shea@usace.army.mil** or telephone number **(205) 290-9096**. Please refer to the above Public Notice number.

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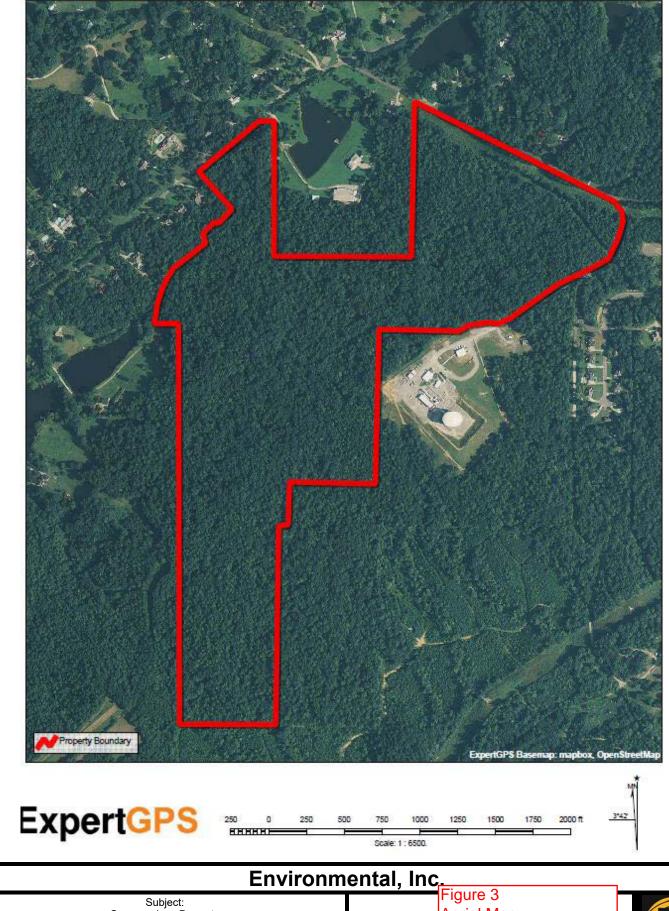




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Figure 2 USGS Topo Map SAM-2018-01264-CMS

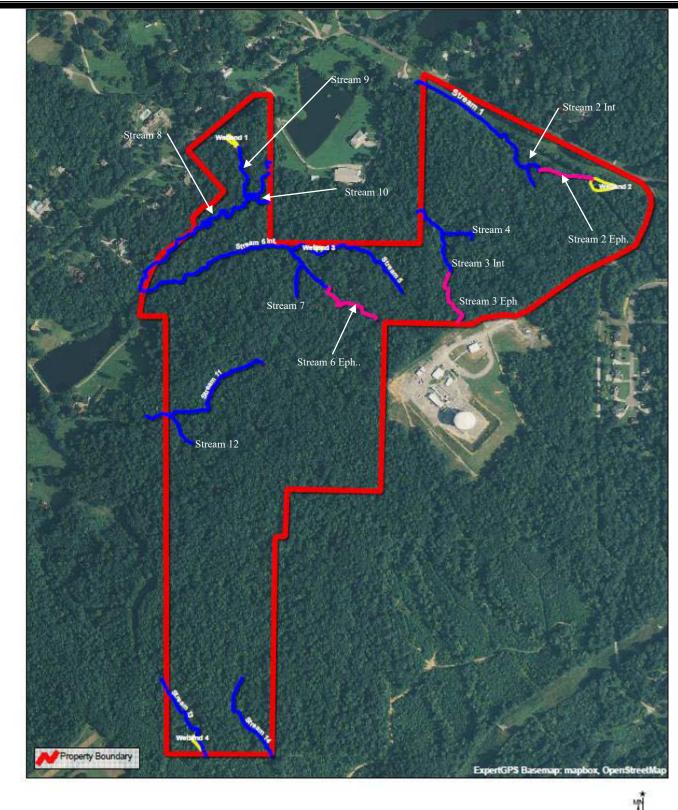




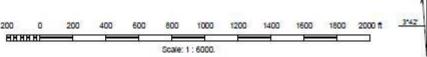
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Aerial Map SAM-2018-01264-CMS









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Figure 4 JD Map SAM-2018-01264-CMS



