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**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. SAM-2023-00253-MJF**

**June 15, 2023**

**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
**OFFICE OF POLLUTION CONTROL (MDEQ)**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES (DMR22-000173)**

**PROPOSED WETLAND FILL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL**  
**SUBDIVISION, CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS, JACKSON 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:** Grantman MS, LLC  
P.O. Box 67  
Mandeville, Louisiana 70470

**WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** Wetlands Associated with Bayou Talla, Section 9, Township 7 South, Range 8 West, City of Ocean Springs, Jackson County, Mississippi. (Latitude: 30.451929°North, and Longitude: -88.78674°West).

**PROPOSED WORK:** The applicant proposes to fill 28.11 acres of wetlands associated with the construction of 184-lot single family residential subdivision to include access roads, utilities and detention ponds. The subject parcel is 72.8 acres consisting of 34.43 acres of uplands, 0.35 acres of other waters, and 38.02 acres of jurisdictional wetlands. The "other waters" includes two ponds and an intermittent stream located in the northeast corner of the subject property. The applicant proposes to provide in-kind compensatory mitigation through the purchase of credits from the Wetland Solutions Devils Swamp Phase 1 Mitigation Bank.

The applicant has applied for coastal zone (CZ) consistency in accordance with the State Coastal Zone Management Program. A determination relative to CZ consistency will be made by the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources. (DMR22-000173).

The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification Rule (Certification Rule, 40 CFR 121) requires certification for any license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge. The applicant is responsible for requesting certification and providing required information to the certifying agency. As of the date of this public notice, the applicant has not submitted a certification request to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (certifying authority).

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 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, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers 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 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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 historic properties within the permit area. In accordance with Appendix C of 33 CFR 325, the Corps has determined the permit area consists of the entire subject parcel. The National Register of Historic Places will be consulted for properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register, which are known to exist and would be affected by the proposed work. The Mobile District is seeking comment from the State Historic Preservation Officer regarding the existence, or the potential for existence, of significant cultural and historic properties within the permit area.

Preliminary review of this application, the U.S. Department of the Interior's List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants and the National Marine Fisheries Service list of Mississippi's Threatened and Endangered Species indicate the following federally-listed species are known or expected to occur within the project area: Dusky Gopher Frog (E), Eastern Black Raid (T), Mississippi Sandhill Crane (E), Piping Plover (T), Red Knot (T), Wood Stork (T), Alabama Red-Bellied Turtle (E), Gopher Tortoise (T), Black Pinesnake (T), and the Louisiana Quillwort (E). There is no designated critical habitat within the project action area. At this time, the USACE, Mobile District has made no determination with regard to potential effects of the project on the above-listed species. Further

coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and NMFS will be performed as determined to be appropriate.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number SAM-2023-00253-MJF and should be directed to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: South Mississippi Branch, with a copy to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Post Office Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225, and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530, in time to be received within **30 days** of the date of this public notice.

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact the project manager for this application, **Maryellen Farmer (maryellen.j.farmer@usace.army.mil), phone (228) 523-4116**. Please refer to the above Public Notice number.

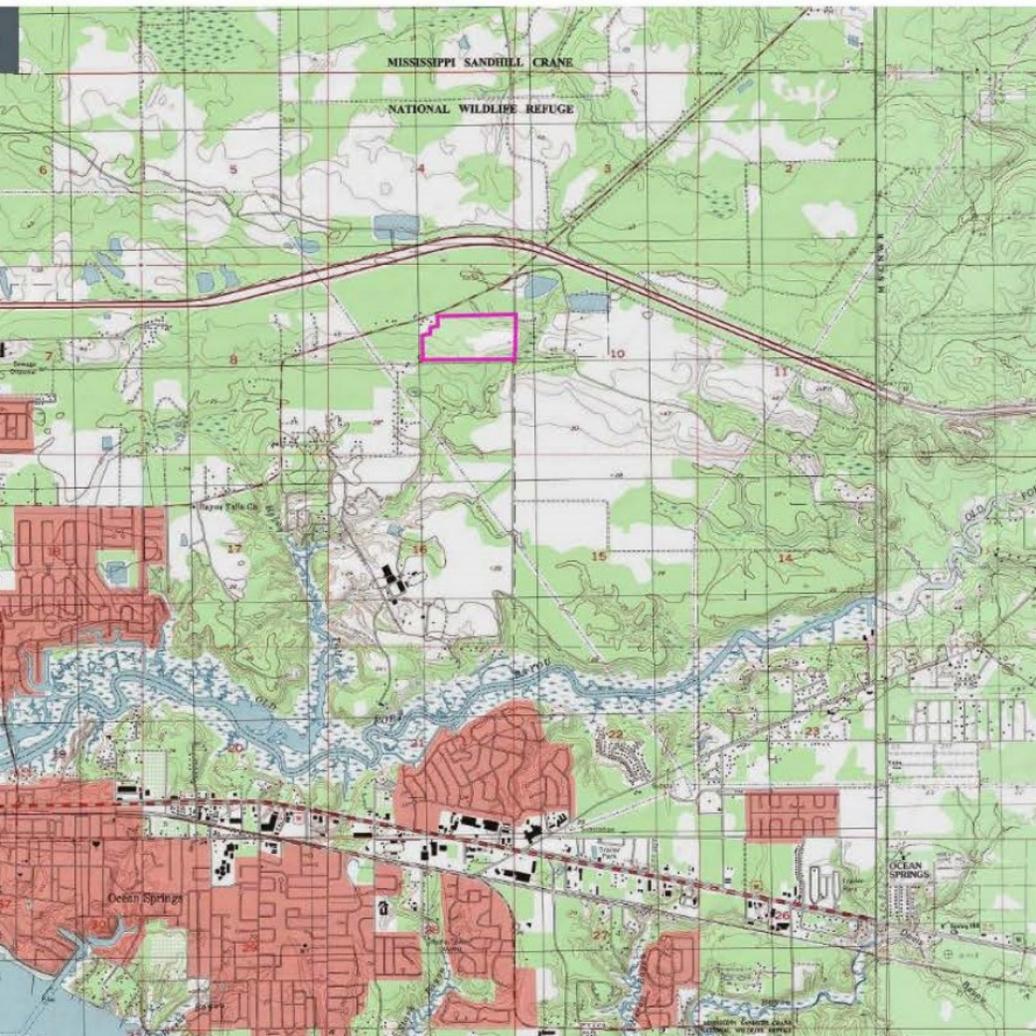
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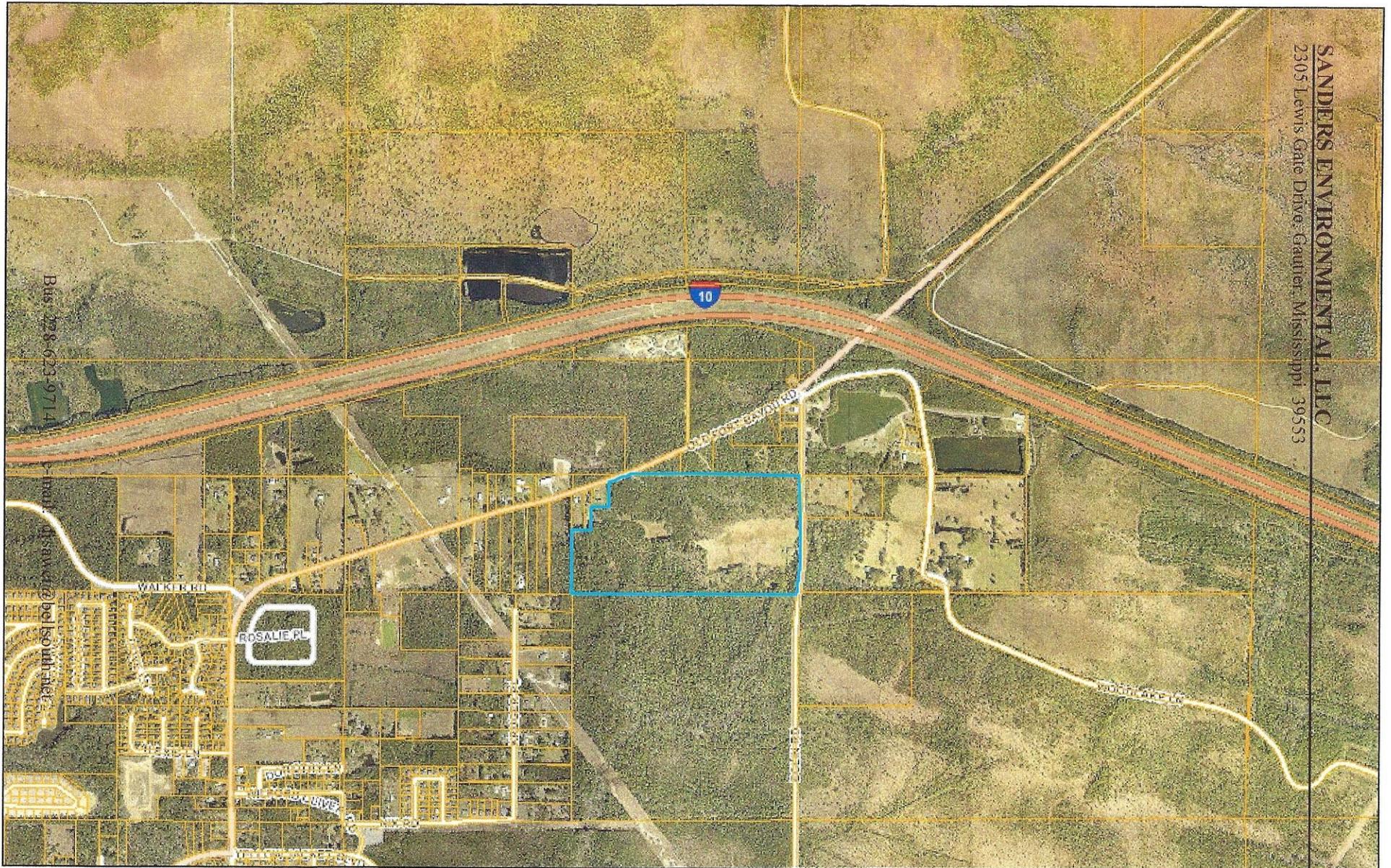
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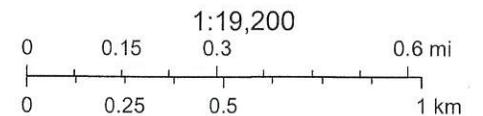
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# FIGURE 1. SANDHILL SUBDIVISION PROJECT LOCATION MAP



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- Parcels
- Primary Roads
- Major
- Center Lines



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FIGURE. 2. SANDHILL SUBDIVISION WETLAND IMPACT MAP

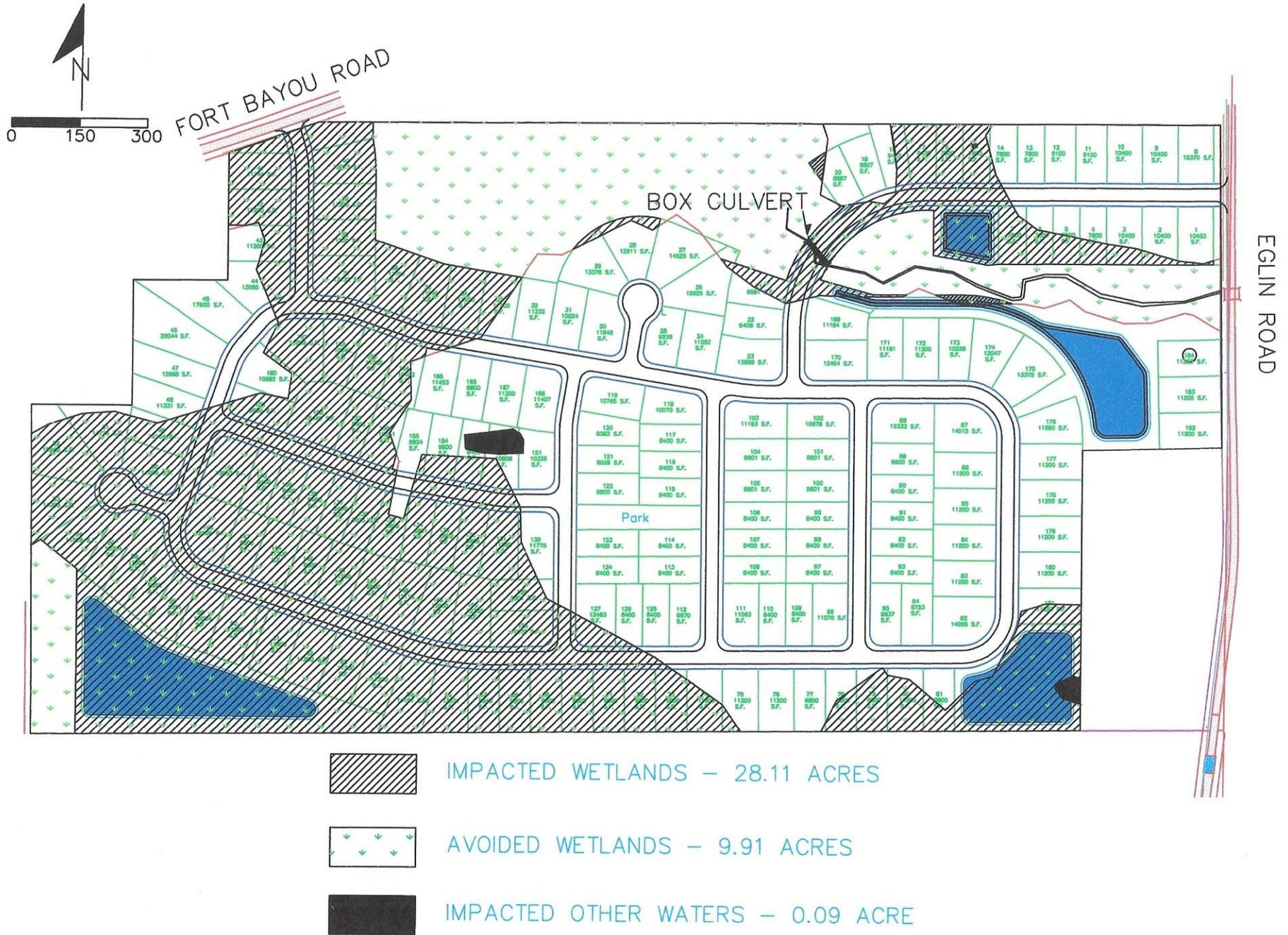
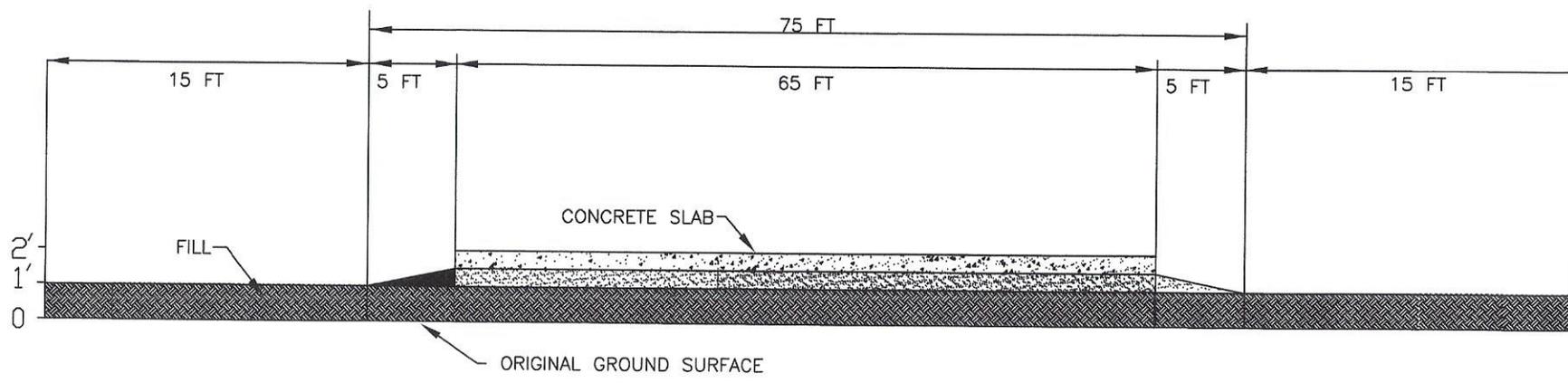


FIGURE 3. CROSS-SECTION OF TYPICAL LOT IN WETLANDS, SANDHILL SUBDIVISION PROJECT, JACKSON COUNTY, MS



CROSS-SECTION OF TYPICAL LOT IN WETLANDS  
(VERTICAL SCALE IN FEET ABOVE GROUND SURFACE)

FIGURE 4. SECTION VIEW OF STREET CROSSING THROUGH A WETLAND

