



# PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Army Corps  
of Engineers  
New York District, CENAN-OP-RU  
Upstate Regulatory Field Office  
1 Buffington Street, Bldg. 10, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl. North  
Watervliet, New York 12189-4000

**In replying refer to:**  
Public Notice Number: NAN-2019-00356-UCO  
Issue Date: September 11, 2019  
Expiration Date: October 11, 2019

## To Whom It May Concern:

The New York District, Corps of Engineers has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899.

**APPLICANT:** John A. Mott d/b/a Barcombs Marina  
90 Montgomery Street  
Rouses Point, NY 12979

**ACTIVITY:** Place structures in navigable waters of the United States to expand an existing marina with associated docking facilities and services

**WATERWAY:** Lake Champlain (Richelieu River watershed)

**LOCATION:** Village of Rouses Point and Town of Champlain, Clinton County, New York

A detailed description and plans of the applicant's activity are enclosed to assist in your review.

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, considerations 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 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.

ALL COMMENTS REGARDING THE PERMIT APPLICATION MUST BE PREPARED IN WRITING AND MAILED TO THE ATTENTION OF John Connell AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, OR SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO [john.r.connell@usace.army.mil](mailto:john.r.connell@usace.army.mil), TO REACH THIS OFFICE BY THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS NOTICE, otherwise, it will be presumed that there are no objections to the activity.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. Comments provided will become part of the public record for this permit application. All written comments, including contact information, will be made a part of the administrative record, available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. The Administrative Record, or portions thereof, may also be posted on a Corps of Engineers internet web site. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any person may request, in writing, before this public notice expires, that a public hearing be held to collect information necessary to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons why a public hearing should be held. It should be noted that information submitted by mail is considered just as carefully in the permit decision process and bears the same weight as that furnished at a public hearing.

According to the list of Federally-listed species on the Information for Planning and Conservation website for the New York Field Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service the Northern Long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a threatened species, may occur in the vicinity of the project site. However, because this undertaking will not involve the clearing of any trees, our preliminary determination is that the activity for which authorization is sought herein will not affect Federally endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat. Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), if new information warrants, the District Engineer will consult with the appropriate Federal agency to determine the presence of and any potential impacts to listed species or their critical habitat in the project area.

By letter dated May 17, 2019, N.Y.S. Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SHPO) indicated it was the SHPO's opinion that no historic properties would be affected by the proposed undertaking. Presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost by work accomplished under the required permit.

The applicant has also obtained or requested the following governmental authorization for the activity under consideration:

- Article 15, Title 5, Excavation and Fill in Navigable Waters permit from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- State Owned Lands Under Water authorization for Docks, Moorings or Platforms from the N.Y.S. Office of General Services

In order for us to better serve you, please complete our Customer Service Survey located at:

<http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/CustomerSurvey.aspx>

It is requested that you communicate the foregoing information concerning the activity to any persons known by you to be interested and who did not receive a copy of this notice. If you have any questions concerning this application, you may contact John Connell of this office at (518) 266-6357.

For more information on New York District Corps of Engineers programs, visit our website at <http://www.nan.usace.army.mil>

  
for Stephan A. Ryba  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

## WORK DESCRIPTION

The applicant, John A. Mott d/b/a Barcombs Marina, has requested Department of the Army permit for work, including the placement of structures, in Lake Champlain, in the Village of Rouses Point, Clinton County, New York.

The work would involve the expansion of seasonal docking facilities at an existing marina, including four (4) main pier assemblies moored by anchor blocks to the bed of the Lake, and oriented perpendicular to the applicant's existing stone pier. Each main pier would be six (6) feet wide by one hundred seventy (170) feet long, and attached to the stone pier by a gangway. The proposed gangways would be four (4) feet wide by sixteen (16) feet long, and attached to the stone pier. Each main pier would also have ten (10) finger piers, six (6) feet wide by thirty (30) feet long, oriented perpendicular to the main piers and moored by anchor blocks. The pier assemblies, each with a total area of 2,884 square feet, would extend no more than 200 feet from the southward facing side of the stone pier. Each of these assemblies would be secured to the bed of the Lake by two (2) concrete anchor blocks, each two (2) feet by two (2) feet by six (6) feet in size and weighing thirty-six hundred (3600) pounds. The proposed expansion would also involve the placement of an additional six (6) finger piers, six (6) feet wide by thirty (30) feet long, attached to and oriented perpendicular to the existing gas/fuel pier, which is attached to the southward facing side of the stone pier at its eastern end, and is moored by anchor blocks. The proposal would increase the total previously authorized area of docking structures of 15,345 square feet to a total of 27,961 square feet.

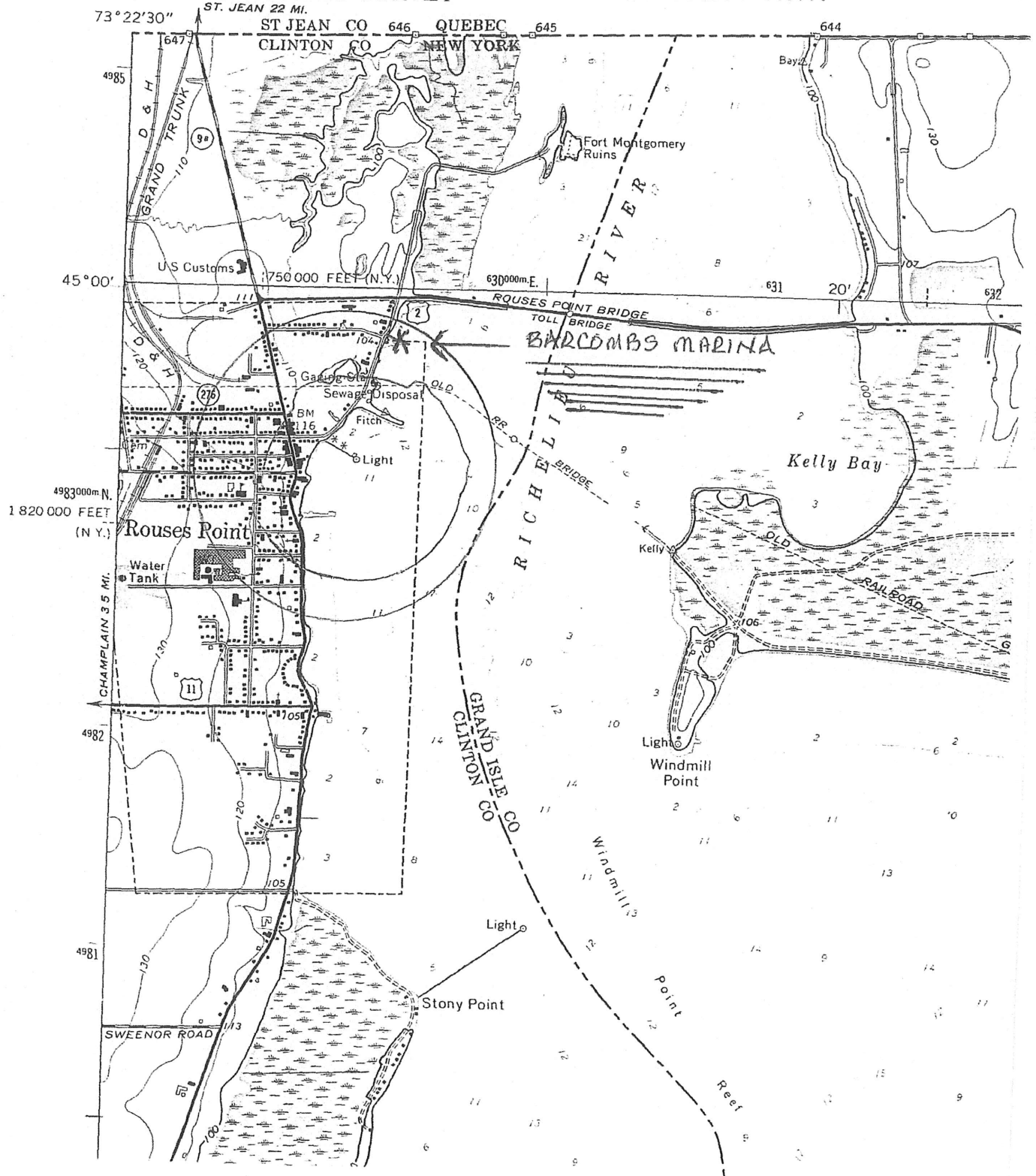
The proposal would also include the placement of a six hundred (600) feet long floating wave attenuator structure in the Lake located approximately 75 - 100 feet south of the proposed pier assemblies. The wave attenuator would consist of fifteen (15) rolled steel plate sections, each four (4) feet wide by forty (40) feet long, and moored by anchor blocks sized as above to the bed of the Lake.

The proposal would increase the previously authorized mooring capacity of one hundred eleven (111) vessels to a total of one hundred ninety six (196) vessels. The proposed marina would continue to be operated only on a seasonal basis. The applicant also proposes to expand the previously authorized reconfiguration perimeter for the proposed docking facilities from 4.48 acres to a total of 7.29 acres to accommodate the additional docking assemblies and correct inconsistencies in the previous authorization. The proposed reconfiguration perimeter, if authorized, would allow for the reconfiguration of the docking assemblies within its boundaries without further authorization provided there are no increases in total structural area and/or mooring capacity.

The stated purpose of this project is to expand commercial docking facilities for recreational vessels.

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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

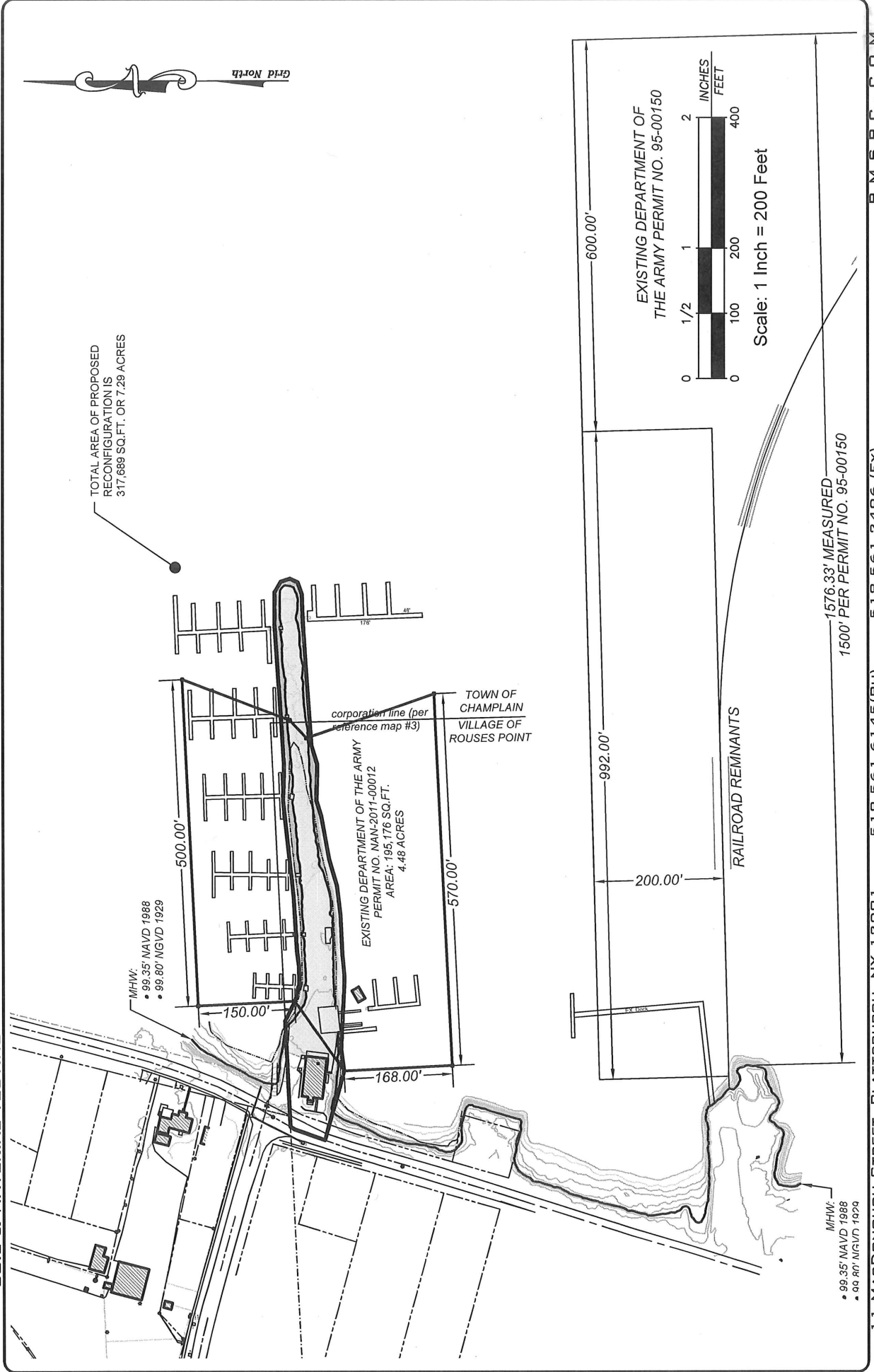
BARCOMBS MARINA  
LOCATION MAP



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## Existing Pier Layout

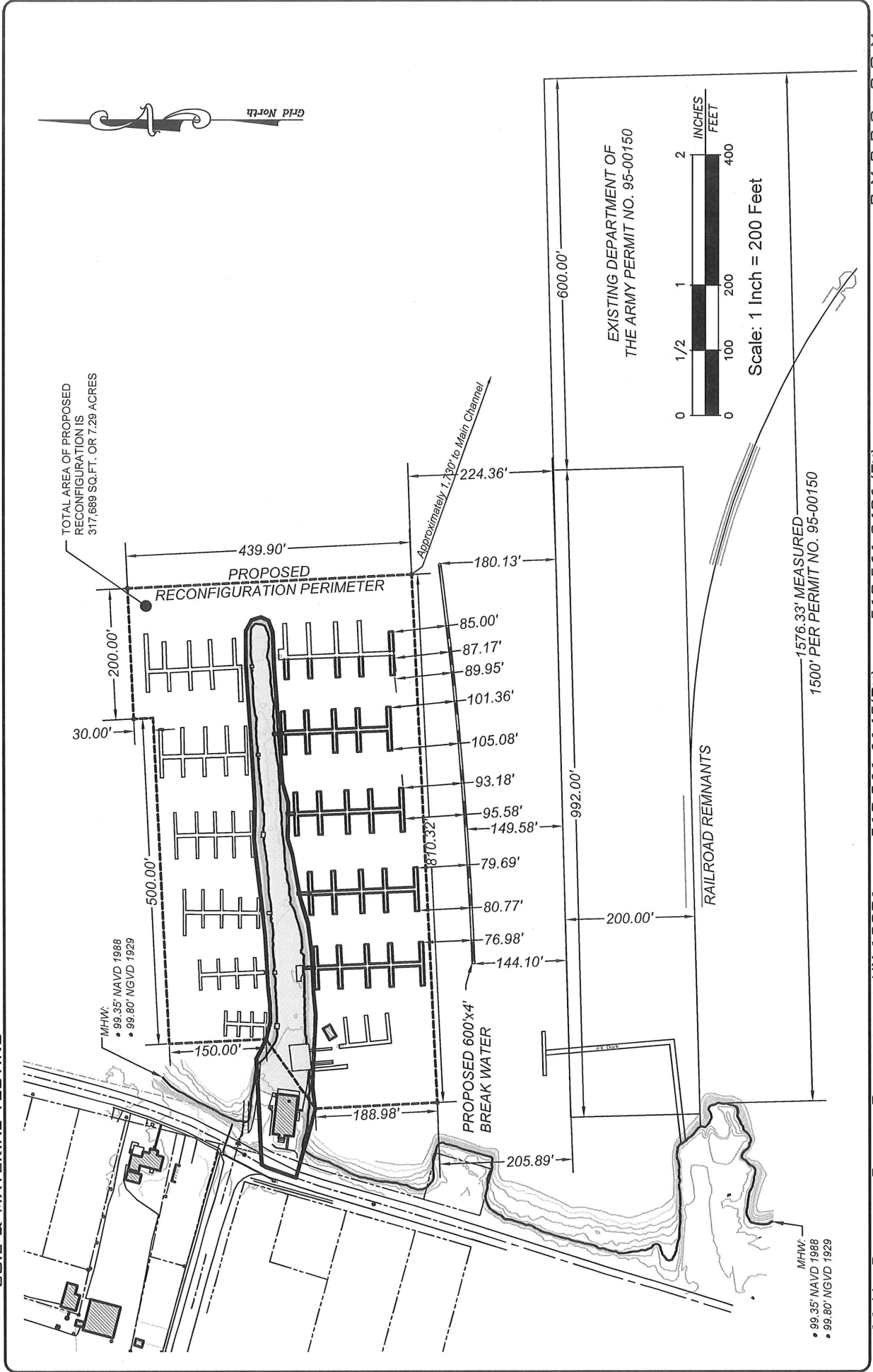
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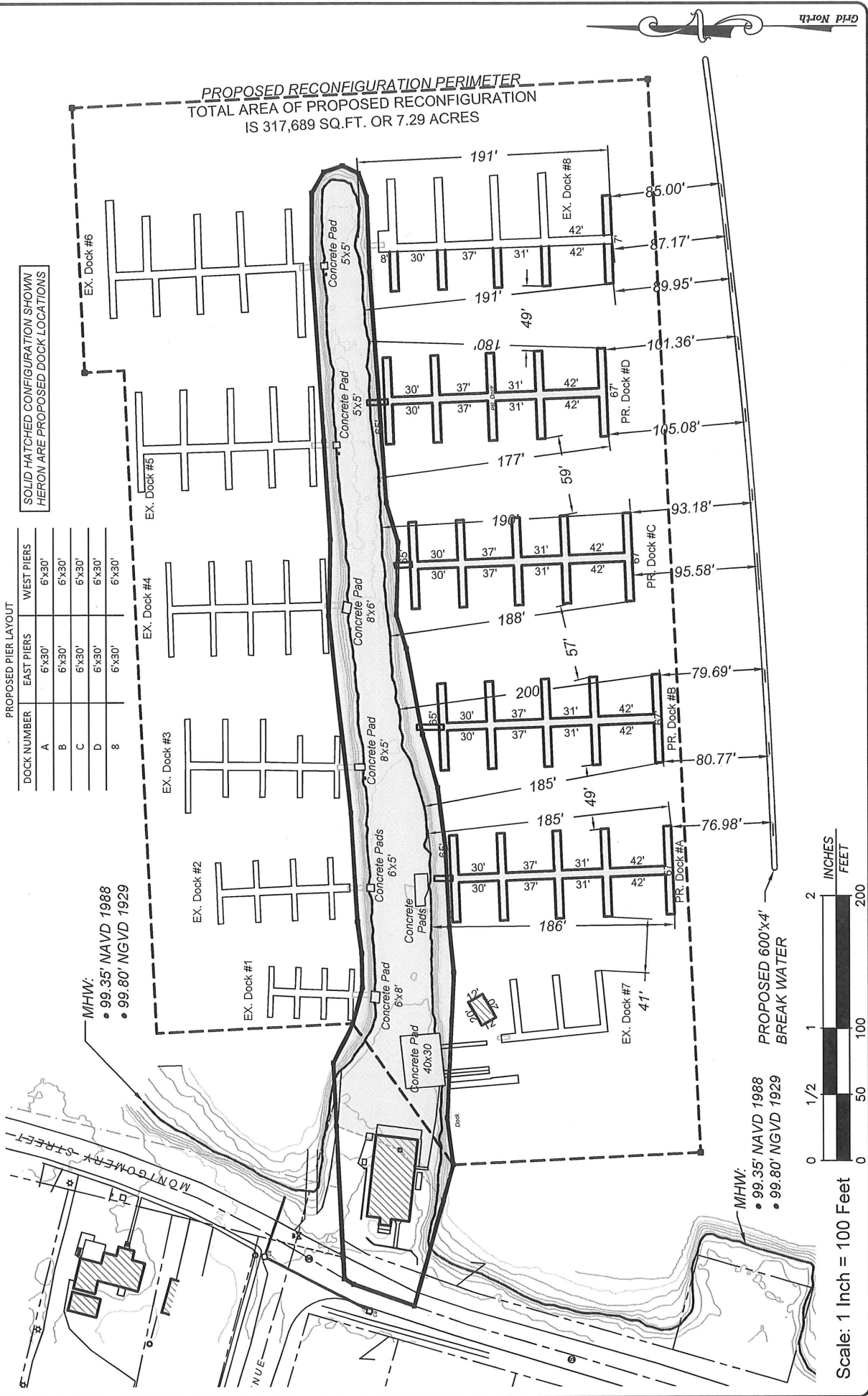
Proposed Pier Layout

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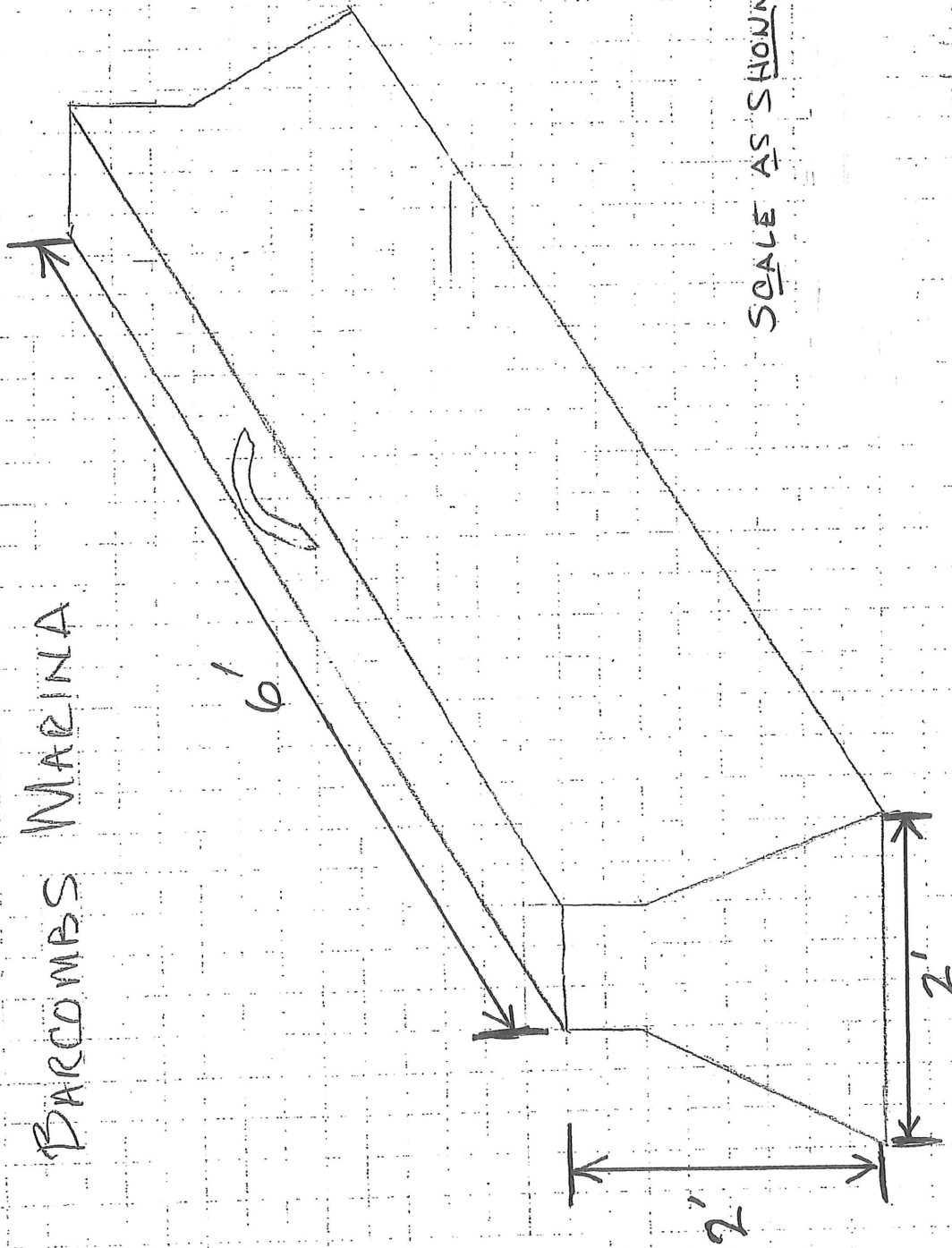


## Proposed Pier Layout



ANCHOR DETAIL - TO BE USED TO ANCHOR FLOATING  
DOCKS (MAIN & FINGER) and WAVE ATTENUATOR

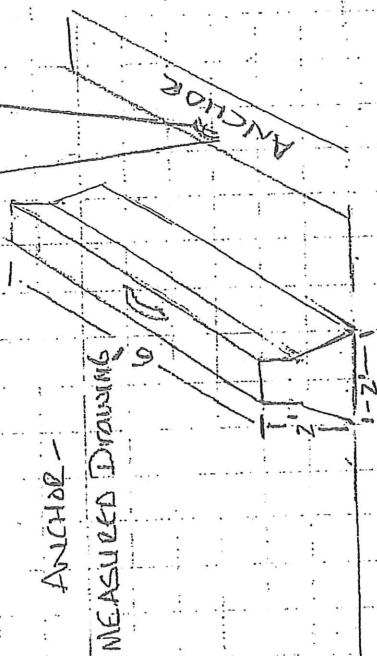
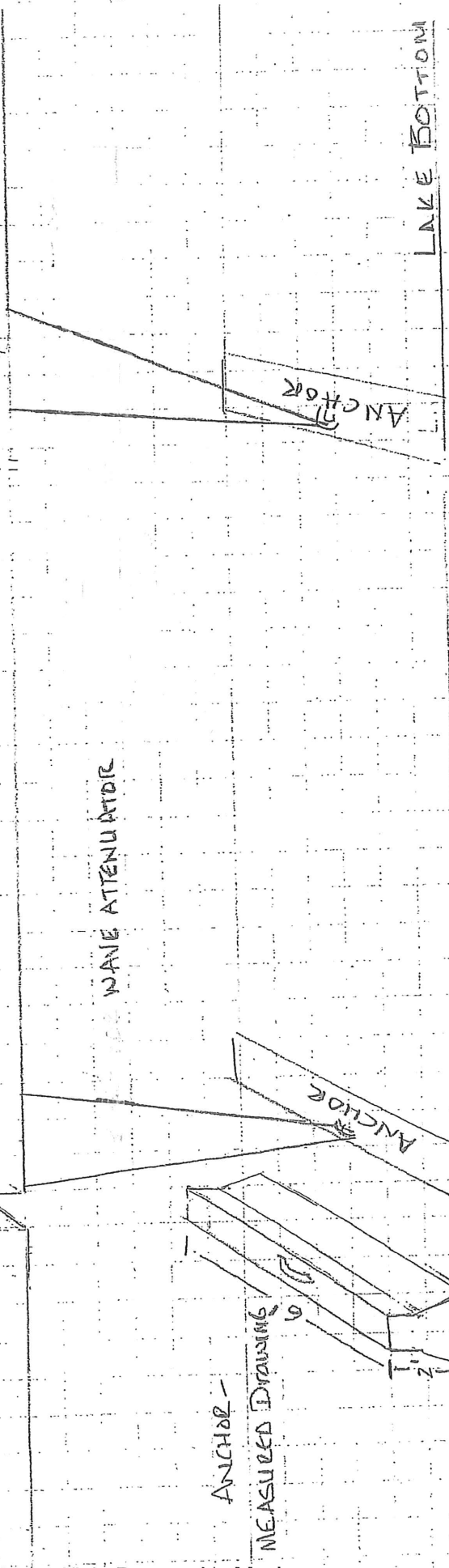
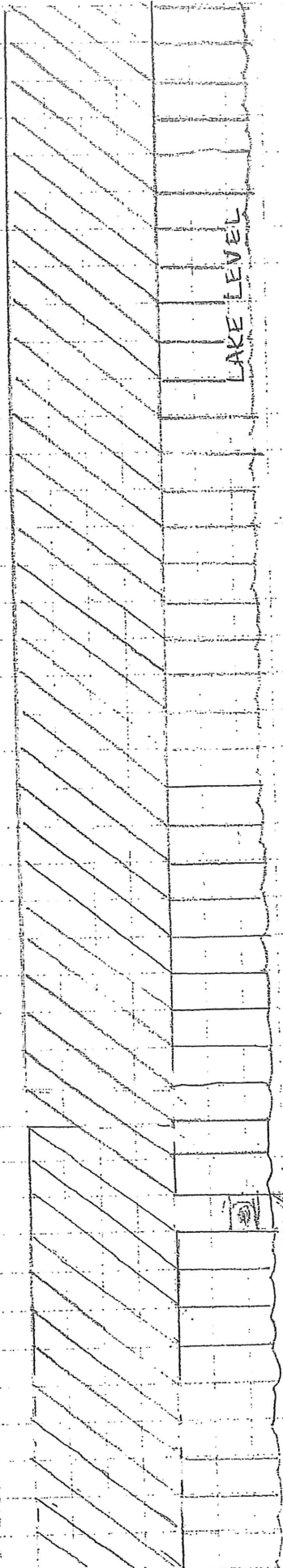
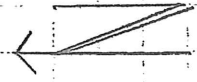
BARCOMBS MARINA



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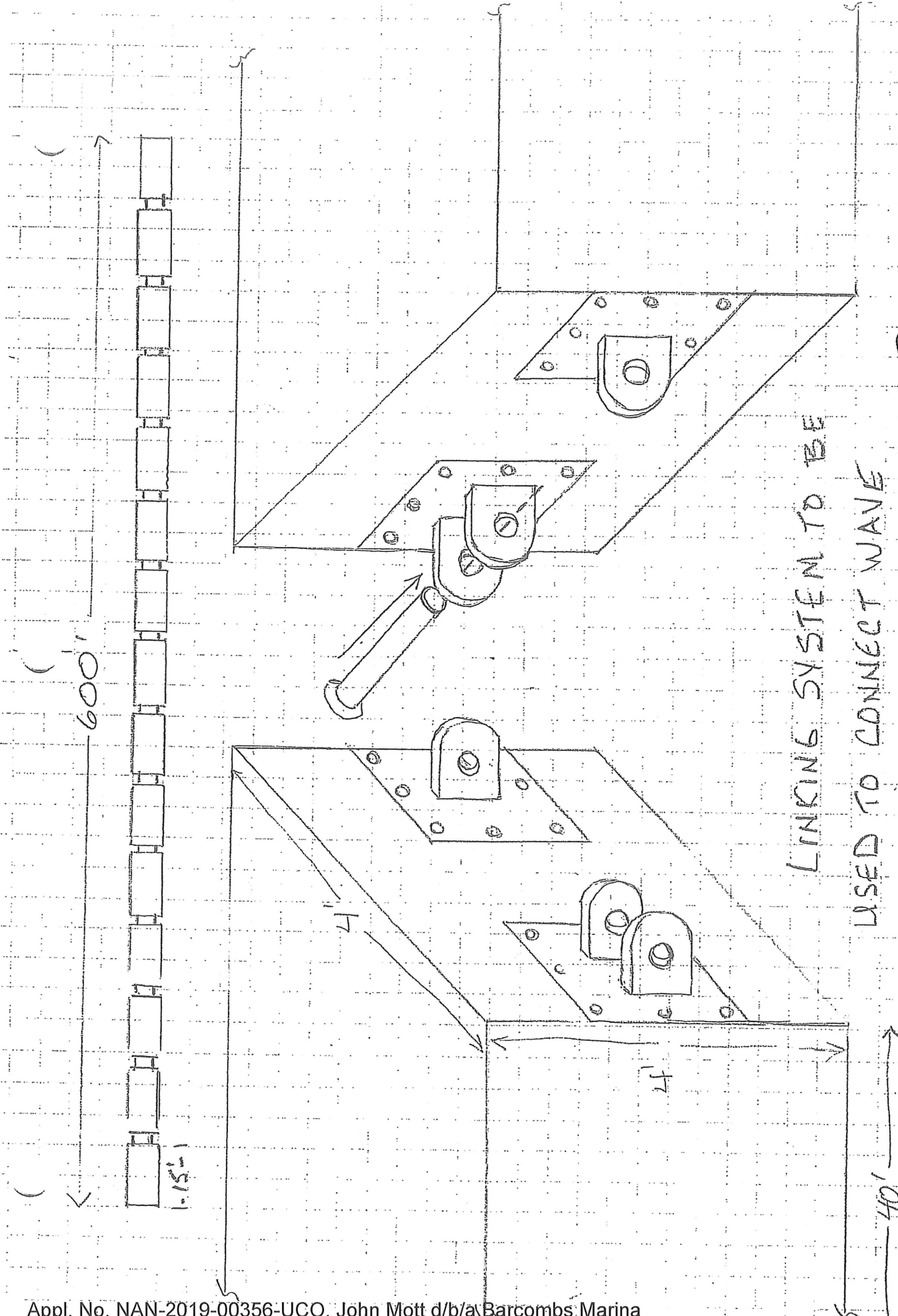
DRAWING BY JIM LEONARDSON 2/1/19

# BARCOMBS MARINA



## ANCHORING DETAIL FLOATING WAVE ATTENUATOR

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LINKING SYSTEM TO BE  
USED TO CONNECT WAVE  
ATTENUATOR SECTIONS

BARCOMBS MARINA  
DRAWING BY: THERETAINING INC. 3/1/18