

# PUBLIC NOTICE

US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
New York District  
Jacob K. Javits Federal Building  
New York, N.Y. 10278-0090  
ATTN: Regulatory Branch

In replying refer to:  
Public Notice Number: NAN-2012-00050-ETA  
Issue Date: March 28, 2012  
Expiration Date: April 28, 2012

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 (33 U.S.C. 403), and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

APPLICANT: Christopher Palma  
3397 Ocean Avenue  
Oceanside, NY 11572

ACTIVITY: Replace a Bulkhead; Close Off a Boat Slip; Construct a Pier Assembly; Install Two Boat Lifts;  
Dredge with Upland disposal

WATERWAY: East Rockaway Channel

LOCATION: Oceanside, Nassau 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 REACH THIS OFFICE BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS NOTICE, otherwise, it will be presumed that there are no objections to the activity. Comments provided will become a part of the public record for this action.

Any person may request, in writing, before this public notice expires, that a public hearing be held to collect information  
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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.

Our preliminary determination is that the activity for which authorization is sought herein is not likely to affect any Federally endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat. However, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), the District Engineer is consulting with the appropriate Federal agency to determine the presence of and potential impacts to listed species in the project area or their critical habitat.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act (Public Law 104-267), requires all Federal agencies to consult with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries Service (NOAA/FS) on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The proposed work, fully described in the attached work description, could cause the disruption of habitat for various lifestages of some EFH-designated species as a result of a temporary increase in turbidity during construction. However, the New York District has made the preliminary determination that the site-specific adverse effects are not likely to be substantial because it is expected that fish populations would avoid the small area of disturbance. Further consultation with NOAA/FS regarding EFH impacts and conservation recommendations is being conducted and will be concluded prior to the final decision.

Based upon a review of the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, there are no known sites eligible for, or included in, the Register within the permit area. Presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost by work accomplished under the required permit.

Reviews of activities pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 (b) of the Clean Water Act and the applicant will obtain a water quality certificate or waiver from the appropriate state agency in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act prior to a permit decision.

Pursuant to Section 307 (c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended [16 U.S.C. 1456 (c)], for activities under consideration that are located within the coastal zone of a state which has a federally approved coastal zone management program, the applicant has certified in the permit application that the activity complies with, and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with, the approved state coastal zone management program. By this public notice, we are requesting the state's concurrence with, objection to, or waiver of the applicant's certification. No permit decision will be made until one of these actions occurs. For activities within the coastal zone of New York State, the applicant's certification and accompanying information is available from the Consistency Coordinator, New York State Department of State, Division of Coastal Resources and Waterfront Revitalization, Coastal Zone Management Program, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12231, Telephone (518) 474-6000. Comments regarding the applicant's certification, and copies of any letters to this office commenting upon this proposal, should be so addressed.

In addition to any required water quality certificate and coastal zone management program concurrence, the applicant has obtained or requested the following governmental authorization for the activity under consideration:

- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation


In order for us to better serve you, please complete our Customer Service Survey located at: <http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/business/buslinks/regulat/index.php?survey>.

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

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may contact this office at (917) 970-8521 and ask for Frank Tangorra.

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



for Richard L. Tomer  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

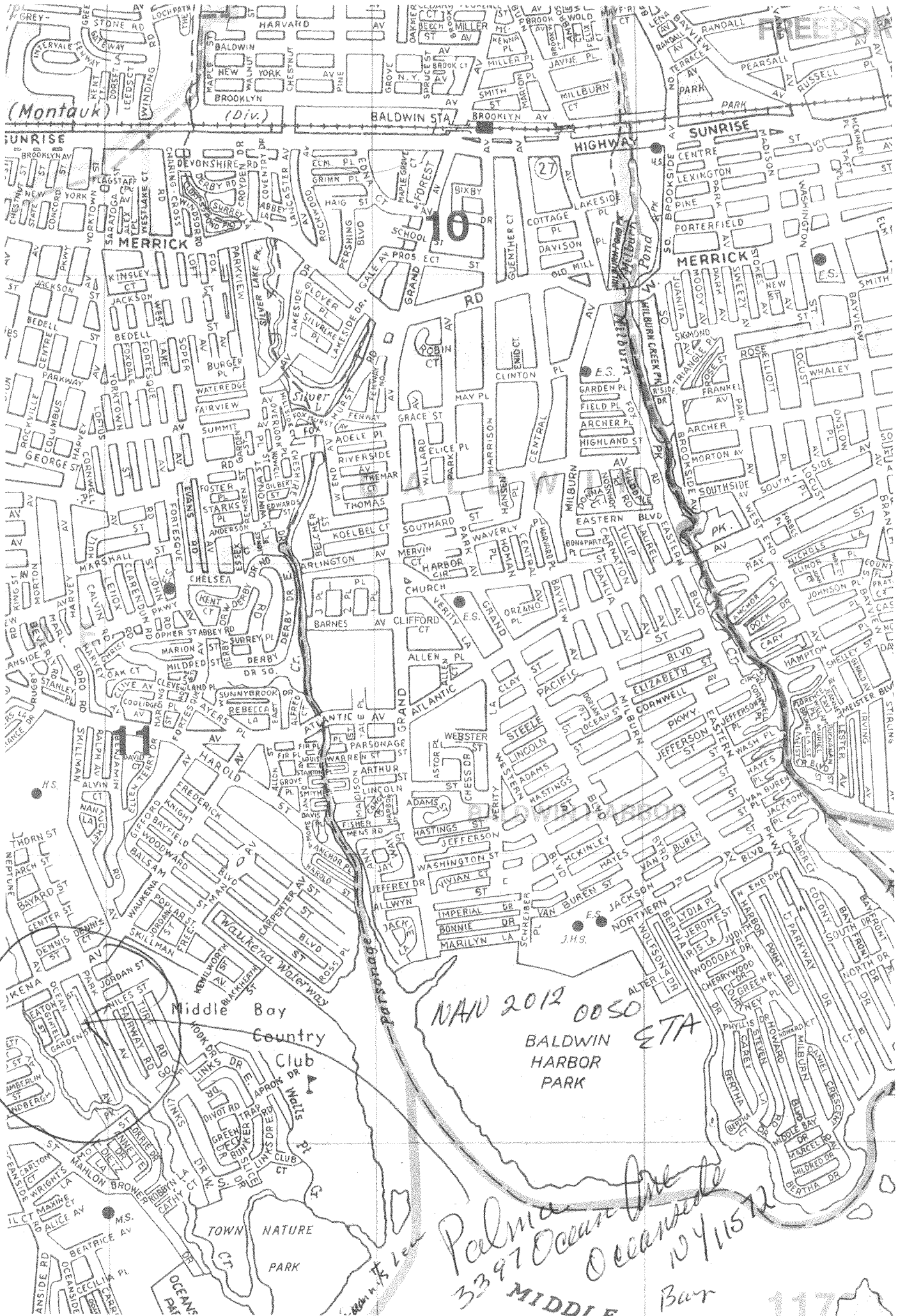
**WORK DESCRIPTION:**

The applicant, Christopher Palma, has requested Department of the Army authorization to replace a bulkhead; close off a boat slip, install a pier assembly; install two boat lifts; and dredge with upland disposal in East Rockaway Channel, in Oceanside, Nassau County, New York.

The work would involve replacement, in-place and one foot higher, of approximately 80 linear feet of bulkhead and adding two 20 foot returns; closing off a 20-foot-wide by 38-feet-long boat lift and placing approximately 990 cubic yards of fill below Spring High Water; dredging approximately 10 cubic yards of material 10 feet off the entire length of the bulkhead to a depth of 4 feet below mean low water and placing the dredge material behind the bulkhead; installation of a 4-foot-wide by 6-foot-long platform, a 3-foot-wide by 16-foot-long walk-ramp and a 4-foot-wide by 20-foot-long float; installation of a 4-pile boat lift; and installation of a double waverunner float or a single pile double waverunner PLW lift.

The applicant has stated that they have avoided, minimized, and mitigated for impacts proposed to the maximum extent practicable by limiting construction to the smallest area practicable.

The stated purpose of this project is to provide a mooring facility for the applicant's recreational vessel(s) and to close off an existing boat slip.



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3397 Ocean Ave  
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MIDDLE Bay

# PROJECT PLAN ONE

double waverunner float or  
a single pile double  
waverunner PWL Lift

10'X 80' dredge area

4'X6' cantilever deck

3'X16' ramp

4'X20' float

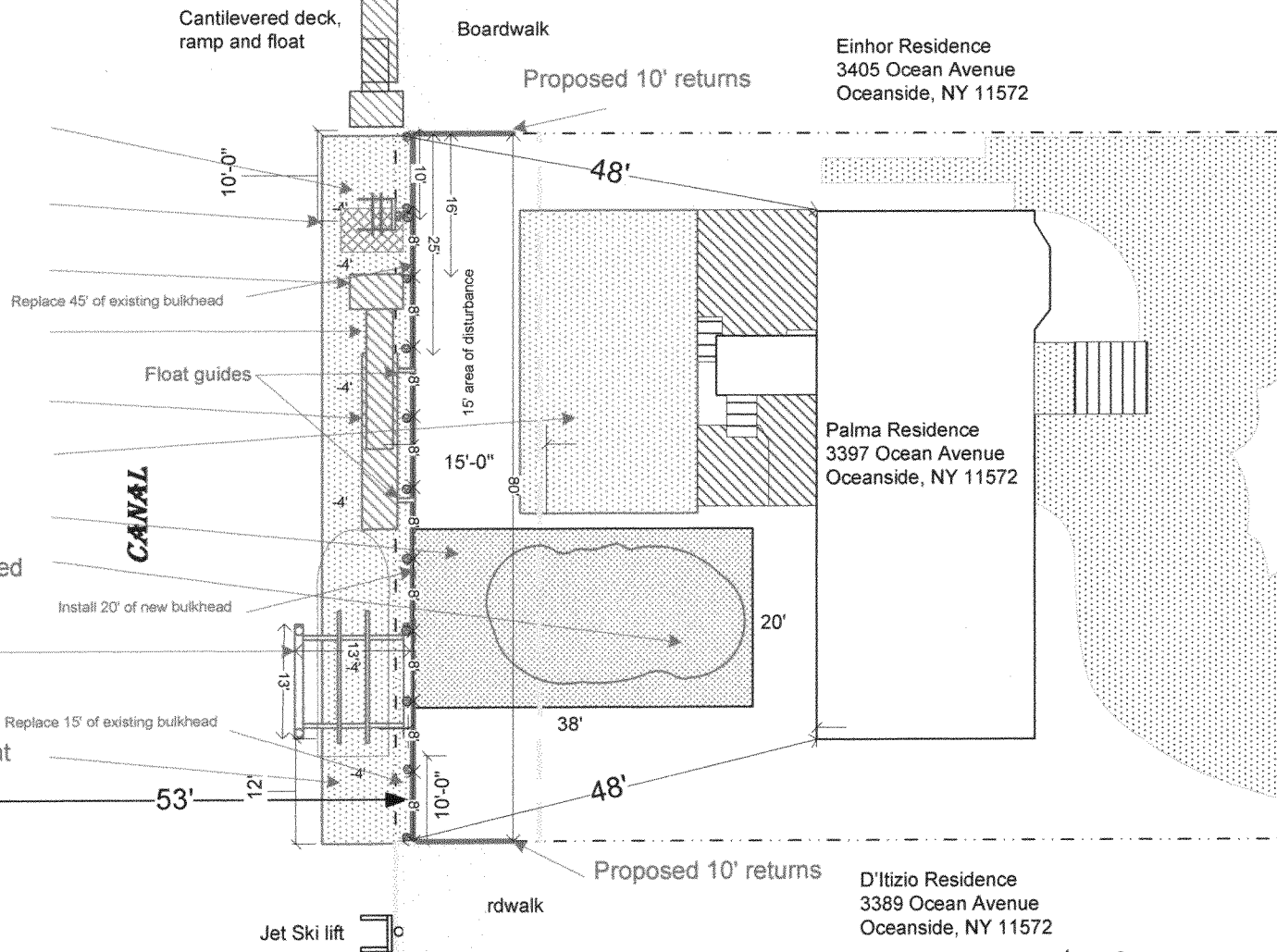
Old pool to be removed

Fill area

New 15' X18' pool installed

4 pile boatlift

80' bulkhead replacement



## Proposed activities:

1. Fill in the 20' X 38' boat slip with 990 cys. of approved fill.
2. Remove pool and install new pool in boat slip area.
3. Replace existing bulkhead and elevate by one foot, install 60' of Navy vinyl" C-Loc" 9000 bulkhead. Install 20' of Navy vinyl" C-Loc" 9000 bulkhead to close off the existing slip. Install two 10' returns at either corner of the property.
4. Install a 4'X20' float, 3'X16' ramp with a 4'X6' cantilevered deck.
5. Install 4 pile boatlift.
6. Install a double waverunner float or a single pile double waverunner PWL Lift.
7. Dredge to -4' feet a 10' X 80' (10 cys.) area adjacent to the bulkhead.
8. Dredge spoils (10 cys. to be kept on site and used to partially fill the boat slip.
9. Remove the existing bulkhead in the boat slip and dispose of it at an approved land fill.

ApHW & ApLW located at the bulkhead face

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By ACE Inc., J. Morena

Machinery Access by  
barge

SCALE

1" = 20'

Datum: Mean Low Water

SHEET

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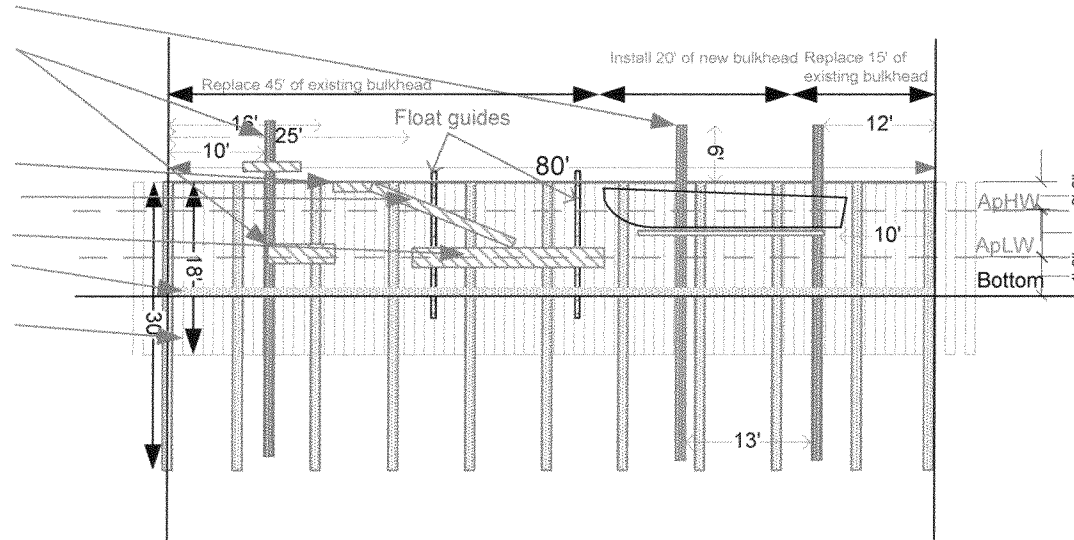
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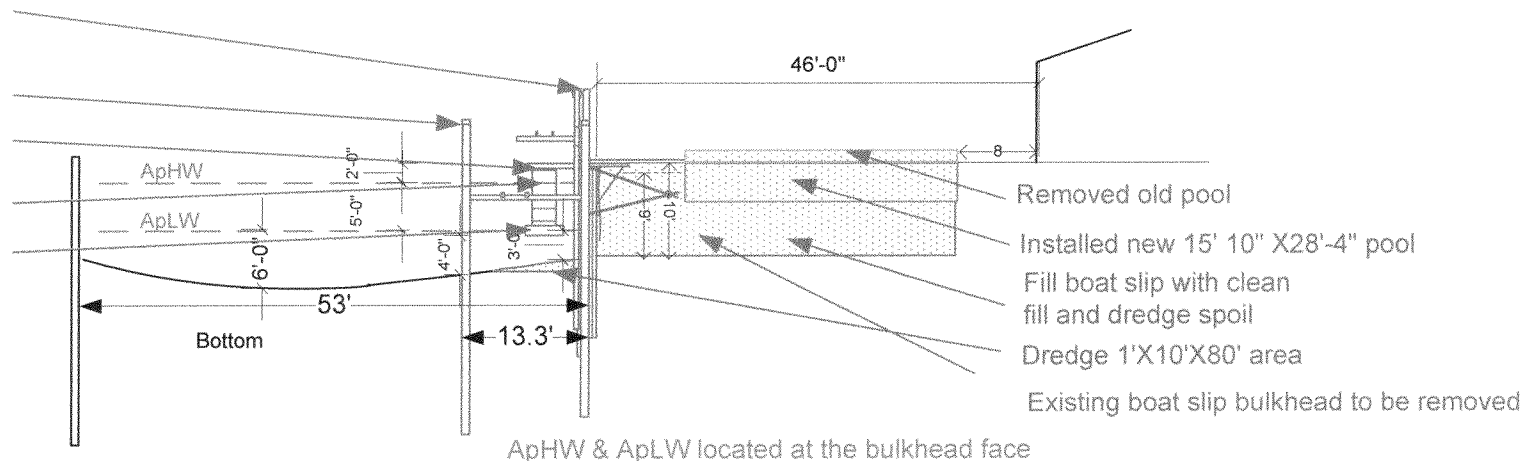


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80' bulkhead replacement



4'X20' float



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