



# 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-2016-00885-EPI**  
Issue Date: **November 22, 2016**  
Expiration Date: **December 22, 2016**

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):

APPLICANT: New York City Police Department  
Michael Trudden  
36 Bronx Shore Road  
Randalls Island, NY 10035

ACTIVITY: Dredge with ten years maintenance with upland placement.

WATERWAY: Harlem River

LOCATION: Dredge Location: New York City Police Department Launch Repair Shop-Marina,  
Northwest corner of Randalls Island, north of the Triborough Bridge at the Harlem  
River.  
Dredge Material Placement Location: Authorized upland disposal facility.

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.

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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 submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. All written comments, including names and addresses, 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.

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 construction work, fully described in the enclosed Work Description, could cause minimum disruption of habitat for various life stages of some EFH-designated species as a result of a minor short-term temporary increase in turbidity during construction. However, the New York District has made the preliminary determination that the site-specific minor adverse effects are not likely to be substantial because it is expected that fish populations would avoid the small area of minor disturbance. Further consultation with NOAA/FS regarding EFH impacts and conservation recommendations is being conducted and will be concluded prior to the final decision on this permit application.

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.

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.

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No permit decision will be made until one of these actions occurs. For activities within the coastal zone of New York, the applicant's certification and accompanying information is available from the New York State Department of State Division of Coastal Resources, Coastal Management Program, 99 Washington Avenue – Suite 1010, Albany, New York 12231-0001, 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

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 this office at (917) 790-8533 and ask for Mr. Randy Piersol.

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>.

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



**For and in behalf of**

Stephan A. Ryba  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

### **WORK DESCRIPTION**

The New York City Police Department (NYPD) Launch Repair Shop-Marina is located on the northwestern corner of Randalls Island, immediately north of the Harlem River span of the Triborough Bridge. The rectangular-shaped marina requires maintenance dredging to restore the basin to an operational depth of six (6) feet below Mean Low Water (MLW) (-8.41 feet North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88)). The marina is used to dock, fuel, maintain and repair NYPD and various New York City and State agency vessels, including the New York Fire Department, New York State Parks, and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection. The operational area of the facility is approximately 33,000 square feet, with 24,000 square feet of open water.

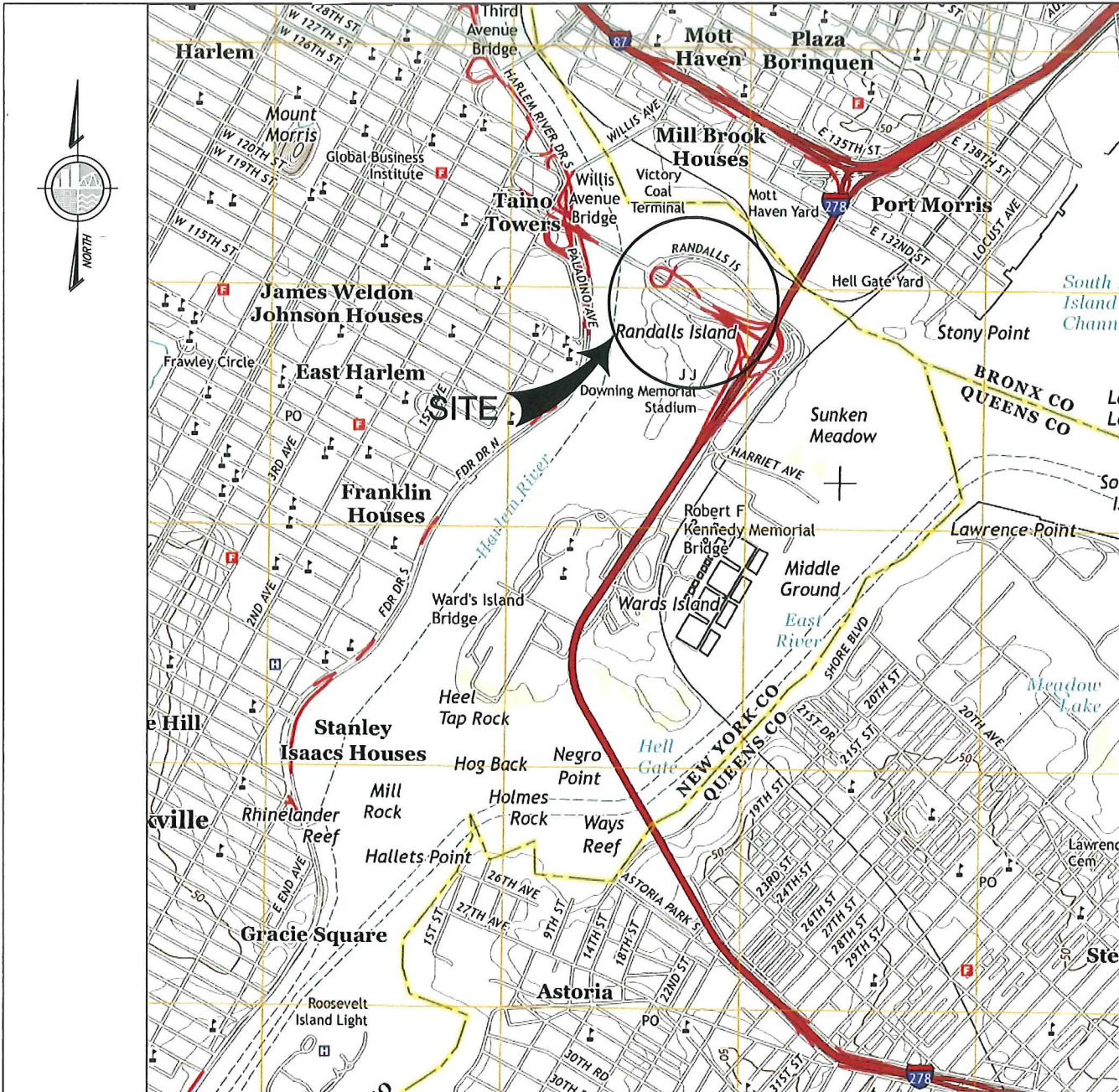
Approximately 1,500 cubic yards of material is proposed for removal with subsequent 1 to 2 year maintenance cycles not to exceed 2,400 cubic yards per operation including 1-foot of over depth allowance. The total area of in-water work will be less than 24,000 square feet.

Past maintenance operations have used hydraulic dredging methods. Dredging procedures will either be hydraulic or barge mounted clamshell dredging. There will be no barge overflow. Return flow to the Harlem River may occur using decanting methods from the scow or from an upland location using geotextile bags. Final placement of dredged material will be placed at an approved upland disposal facility. Project vessels may include up to two (2) support vessels in addition to the dredge vessel. The estimated duration of each dredging event is approximately two (2) weeks.

The applicant has stated that they have avoided, minimized, and mitigated for potential impacts proposed to the maximum extent practicable by limiting the dredge area to the minimum area required for safe and reasonable navigation and implementing silt, sediment, and erosion controls such as silt and turbidity curtains, by not proposing barge overflow, and by placing all dredge material at an upland location. Any potential impacts would be temporary and would be offset by implementing best management practices associated with the dredging and placement work.

The stated purpose of this project is to maintain the safe berthing and mooring of marine vessels and to maximize the use of the entire basin.

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## USGS MAP

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PURPOSE: MAINTENANCE DREDGING

DATUM: MLLW (NAVD 88)

ADJACENT OWNERS:

1. NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
2. MTA BRIDGE AND TUNNELS

## RANDALLS ISLAND LRS MARINE DREDGING

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HARBOR UNIT  
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NEW YORK, N.Y. 10035

AGENT: M.G. McLAREN, P.C.  
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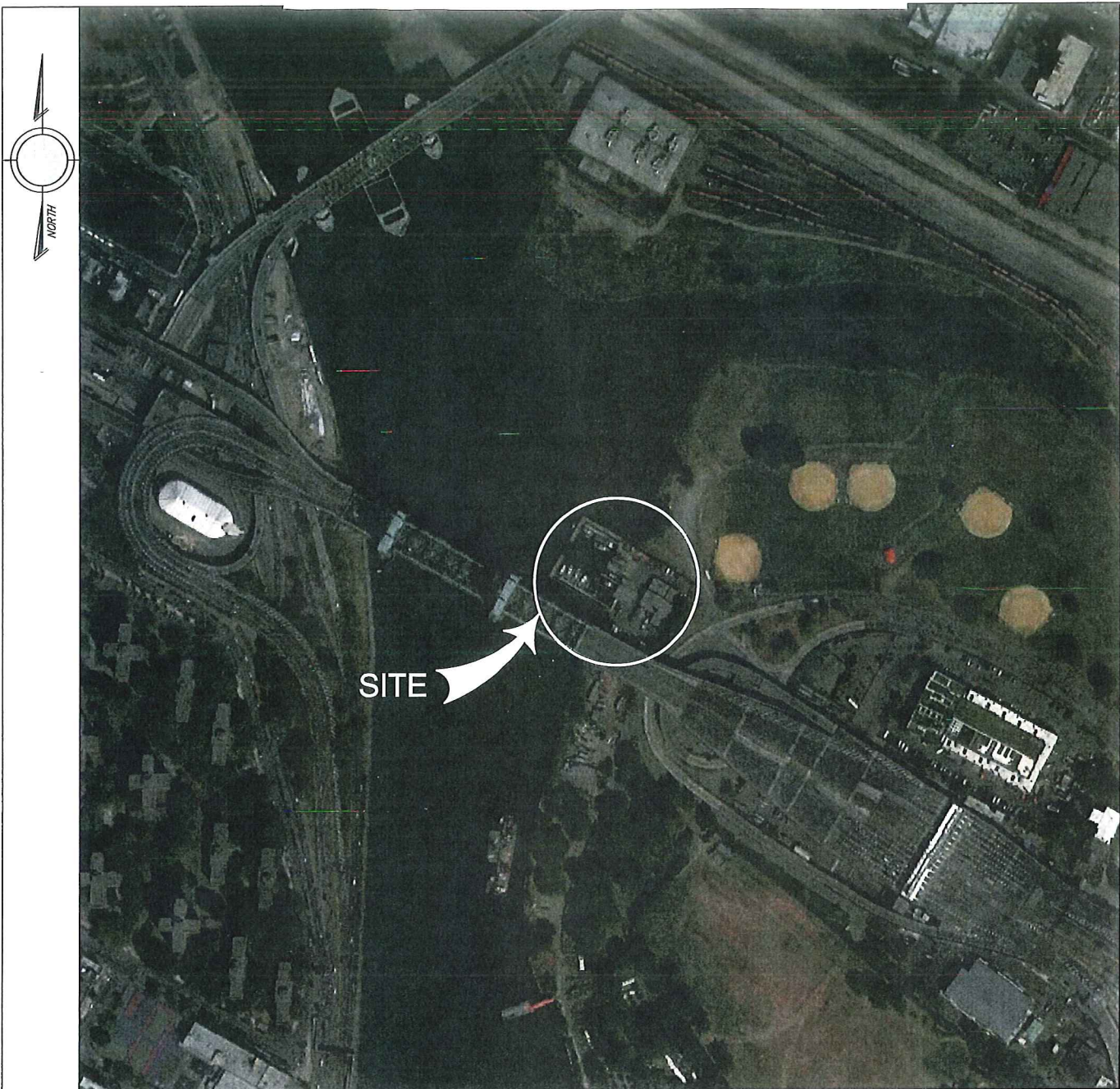
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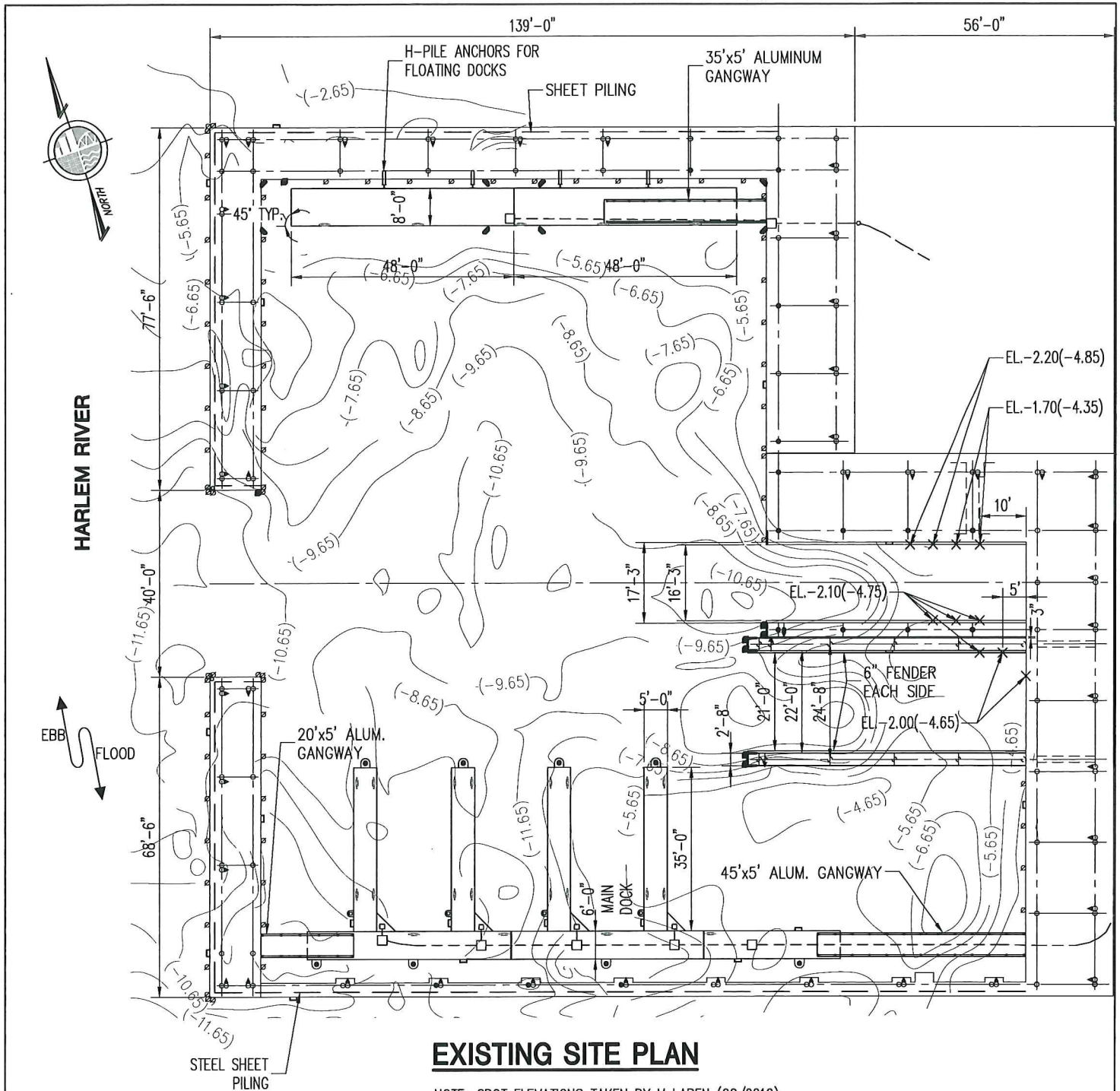
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## EXISTING SITE PLAN

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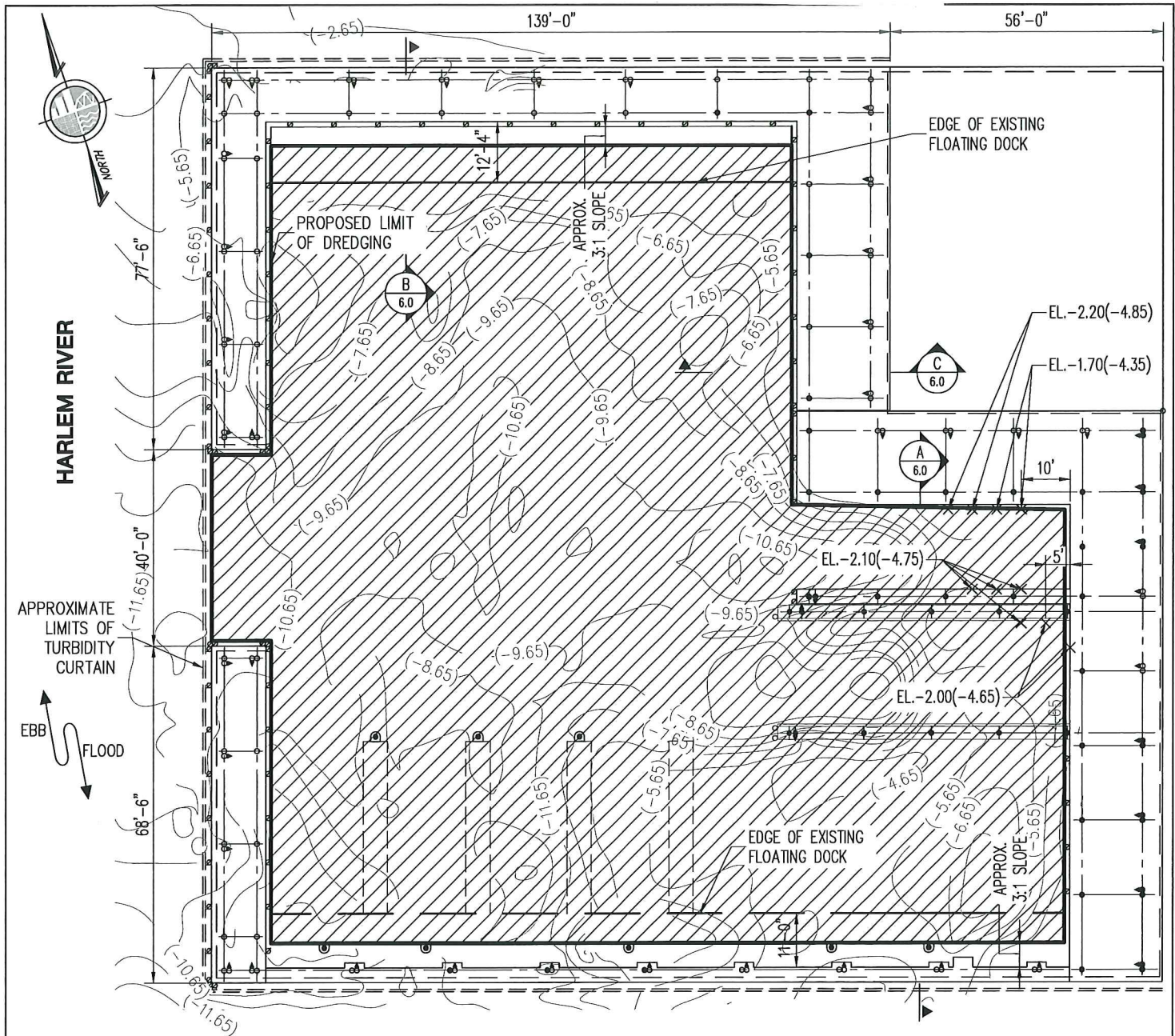
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## PROPOSED DREDGING PLAN

### NOTES:

1. TOTAL PROPOSED DREDGING AREA IS A MAXIMUM OF 24,000 S.F. (APPROXIMATELY)
2. TOTAL DREDGE VOLUME FOR INITIAL OPERATION IS APPROXIMATELY 1,500 C.Y. WITH A MAXIMUM DREDGE VOLUME OF 2,500 C.Y. PER OPERATION.

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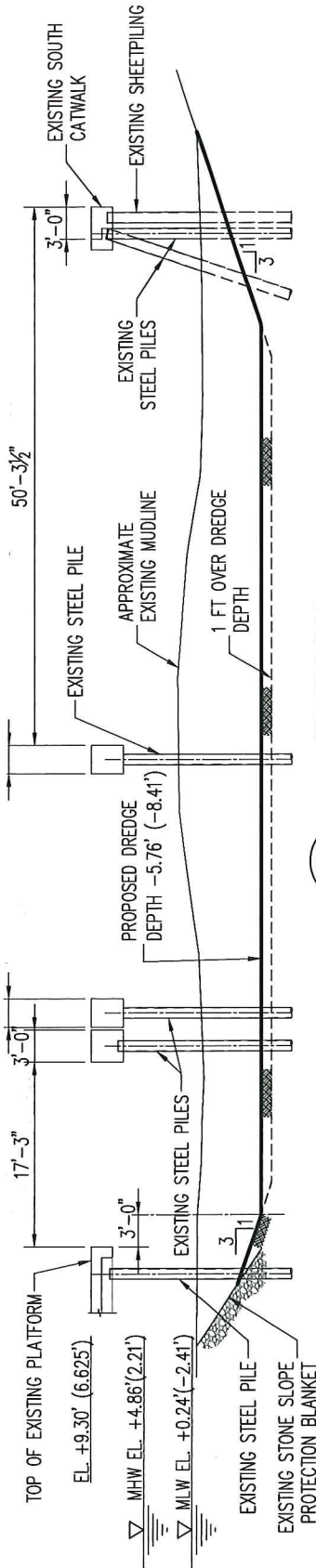
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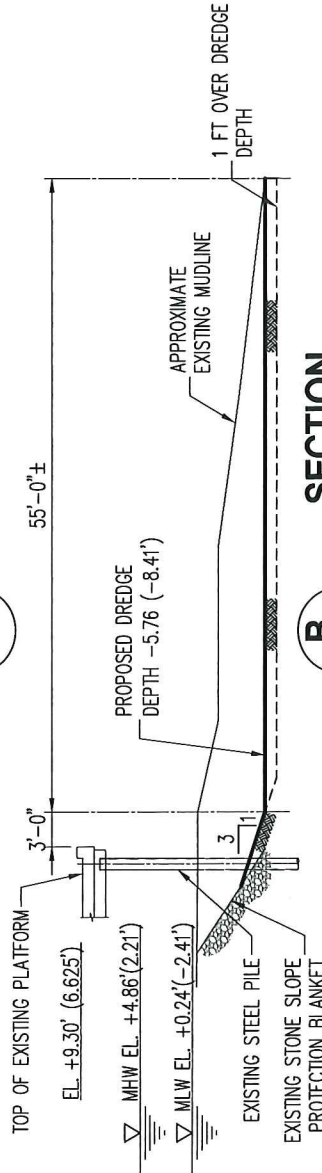
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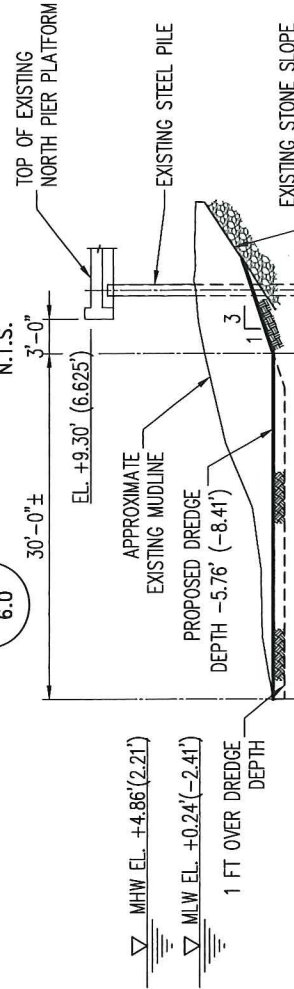
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PROPOSED DREDGING SECTIONS  
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