

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant:
Waste Management – Green Ridge
RDF, LLC

Published: July 7, 2025 Expires: July 27, 2025

New York District Permit Application No. NAN-2021-00326-UDO

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The New York District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1344). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

APPLICANT: Waste Management - Green Ridge RDF, LLC

424 Peters Rd

Gansevoort, New York 12831

AGENT: Thomas Keough

AECOM

4250 Apollo Dr

Chelmsford, MA 01824

WATERWAY AND LOCATION: The project would affect waters of the United States associated with the Hudson River. The project/review area is located on the southern side of Kobor Road, one (1) mile east of the intersection of Kobor Road and Jewell Road; at Latitude 43.197926 and Longitude -73.606862; in the Town of Northumberland, Saratoga County, New York.

EXISTING CONDITIONS: The project area consists of an existing roadway, existing solid waste disposal area, hayed fields, palustrine emergent wetlands, intermittent streams, and woodland.

PROJECT PURPOSE:

Basic: Expansion of existing landfill.

Overall: The completion of the construction of Phase 5 of the existing Green Ridge Refuse Disposal Facility (RDF).

PROPOSED WORK: The applicant, Waste Management – Green Ridge RDF, LLC, has requested Department of the Army authorization for the discharge of fill material into waters of the United States, including freshwater wetlands, for the Phase 5 expansion of an existing solid waste facility at 424 Peters Road in the Hudson-Hoosic Watershed within the Town of Northumberland, Saratoga County, New York.

The Green Ridge RDF property is approximately 267 acres in its entirety. Approximately 69 acres is within an existing NYSDEC Part 360 permitted landfill footprint. The Phase 5 area is contained within an approximately 30-acre area in the southern portion of the Green Ridge RDF landfill footprint. The Proposed Phase 5 construction will require regrading and the creation of a perimeter berm. The proposed regrading and creation of a perimeter berm will result in the discharge of fill material into 430 linear feet (0.03 acres) of intermittent stream channel and 0.67 acres of freshwater wetland, including 0.07 acres of palustrine forested wetland and 0.60 acres of palustrine emergent wetland.

To mitigate for unavoidable impacts to waters of the United States the applicant has proposed a combination of mitigation involving In-Lieu Fee (ILF) credits and permittee responsible mitigation. The goal of the permittee responsible mitigation plan will be to create approximately 150 linear feet of new stream to replace the function and values of the streams that will be impacted. The applicant has also proposed an additional purchase of 1.4 ILF credits from the Hudson Hoosic Service Area of the Ducks Unlimited In-Lieu Fee Program at a 2:1 ratio for impacts to waters if the United States.

The Proposed Phase 5 construction will require the removal of approximately 33 trees in an area of approximately 1.25 acres of upland adjacent to Wetland W1/S1 and W1/S2 along the southern border of the Project Area. The removal of trees greater than 5" diameter at breast height would be restricted to a window from November 1 to March 31 to avoid endangered tree-roosting bat species.

AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION: The applicant has stated that they have avoided, minimized, and mitigated for potential impacts proposed, to the maximum extent practicable by considering other methods of disposal, alternate site locations and designs, as well as alternate site access.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: The applicant offered the following compensatory mitigation plan to offset unavoidable functional loss to the aquatic environment:

- The purchase of 1.4 credits from the Ducks Unlimited Hudson-Hoosic service area at a ratio of approximately 2:1 for impacts to waters of the United States.
- Permittee-responsible on-site creation of approximately 150 linear feet of intermittent stream channel.

CULTURAL RESOURCES:

The Corps is evaluating the undertaking for effects to historic properties as required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This public notice serves to inform the public of the proposed undertaking and invites comments including those from local, State, and Federal government Agencies with respect to historic resources. Our final determination relative to historic resource impacts may be subject to additional coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally recognized tribes and other interested parties.

The Corps evaluated the undertaking pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) utilizing its existing program-specific regulations and procedures along with 36 CFR Part 800. The Corps' program-specific procedures include 33 CFR 325, Appendix C, and revised interim guidance issued in 2005 and 2007, respectively. The District Engineer consulted district files and records and the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places and initially determines that:

No historic properties (i.e., properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places) are present within the Corps' permit area; therefore, there will be <u>no historic properties affected</u>. The Corps subsequently requests concurrence from the SHPO and/or THPO.

The District Engineer's final eligibility and effect determination will be based upon coordination with the SHPO and/or THPO, as appropriate and required, and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The Corps has performed an initial review of the application, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Greater Atlantic Region Section 7 Mapper, and/or the NMFS Critical Habitat Mapper to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as the proposed and final designated critical habitat may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project may affect species and critical habitat listed below. No other ESA-listed species or critical habitat will be affected by the proposed action.

Indiana Bat (Myotis sodalis): Endangered

Pursuant to Section 7 ESA, any required consultation with the Service(s) will be conducted in accordance with 50 CFR part 402.

This notice serves as request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species or critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the proposed activity.

NAVIGATION: The proposed structure or activity is not located in the vicinity of a federal navigation channel.

SECTION 408: The applicant will not require permission under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 408) because the activity, in whole or in part, would not alter, occupy, or use a Corps Civil Works project.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: 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 has obtained a water quality certificate from the appropriate state agency in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

NOTE: This public notice is being issued based on information furnished by the applicant. This information has not been verified or evaluated to ensure compliance with laws and regulation governing the regulatory program. The geographic extent of aquatic resources within the proposed project area that either are, or are presumed to be, within the Corps jurisdiction has been verified by Corps personnel.

EVALUATION: 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 benefits, 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 cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics, esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical 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. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, EPA, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act or the criteria established under authority of Section 102(a) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS: 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 NYSDEC: Water Quality Certification – Under Section 401 – Clean Water Act – Permit ID 5-4146-00018/00014, dated April 19, 2022
- NYSDEC Solid Waste Management Permit Permit ID 5-4146-00018/00010, dated April 19, 2022
- NYSDEC State Multi Sector General Permit for Stormwater Discharges associated with Industrial Activity (GP-0-23-001)
- NYSDEC Air Title V Facility Permit ID 5-4146-00018/00009, dated October 5, 2021

COMMENTS: The Corps 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 to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to 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 (EA) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The New York District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until the expiration date of this public notice. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs or to Dustin Dorr at dustin.a.dorr@usace.army.mil. Please refer to the permit application number in your comments.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.

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.

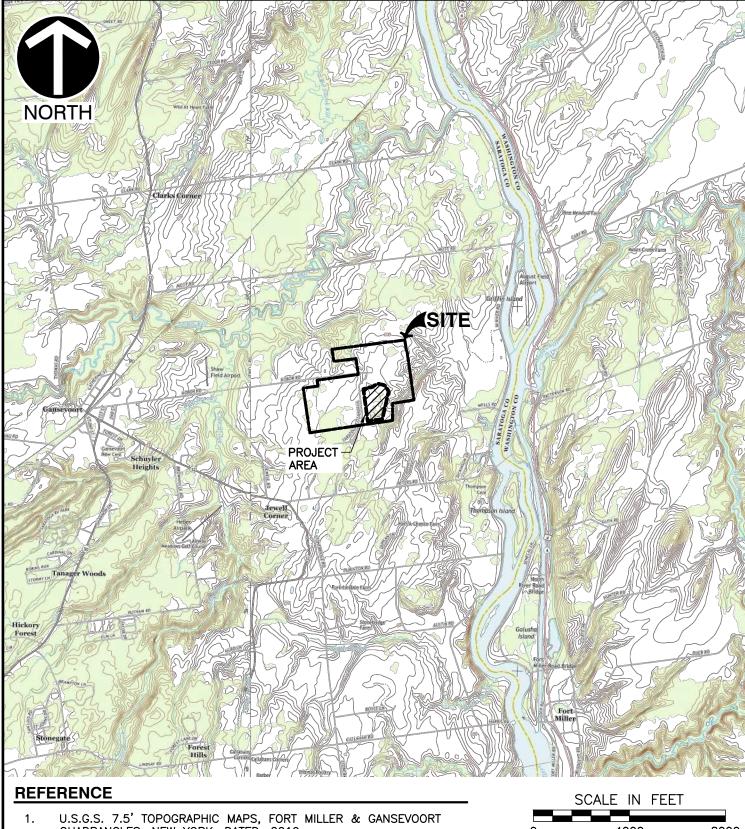
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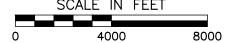
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Stephan A. Ryba Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures



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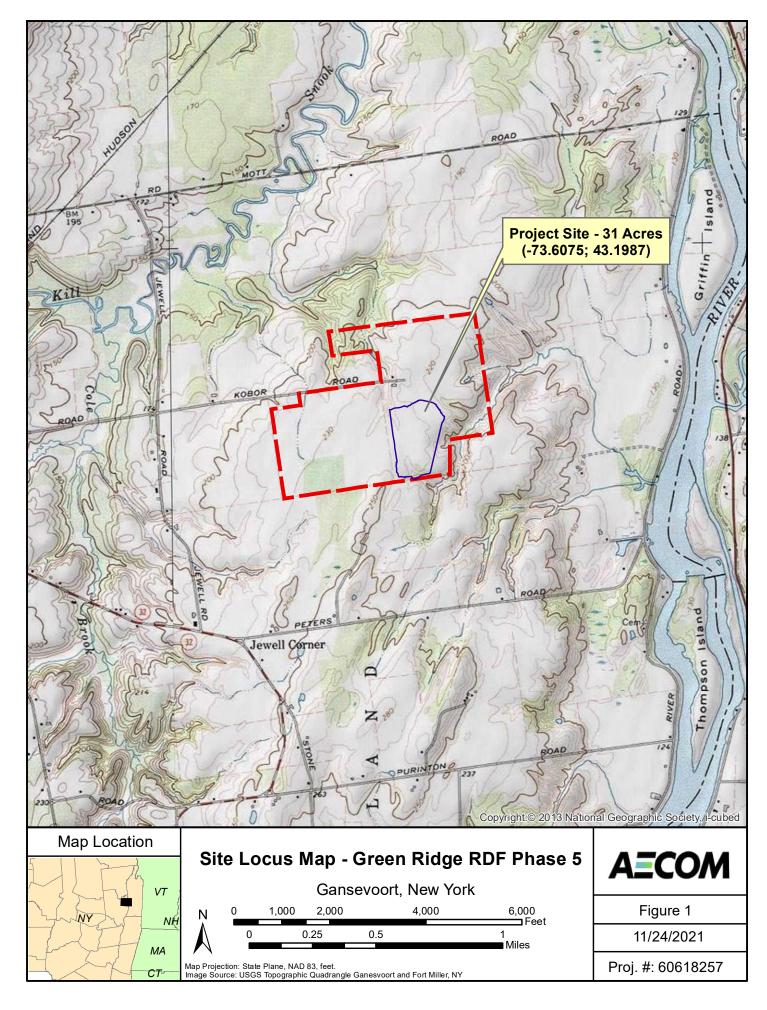
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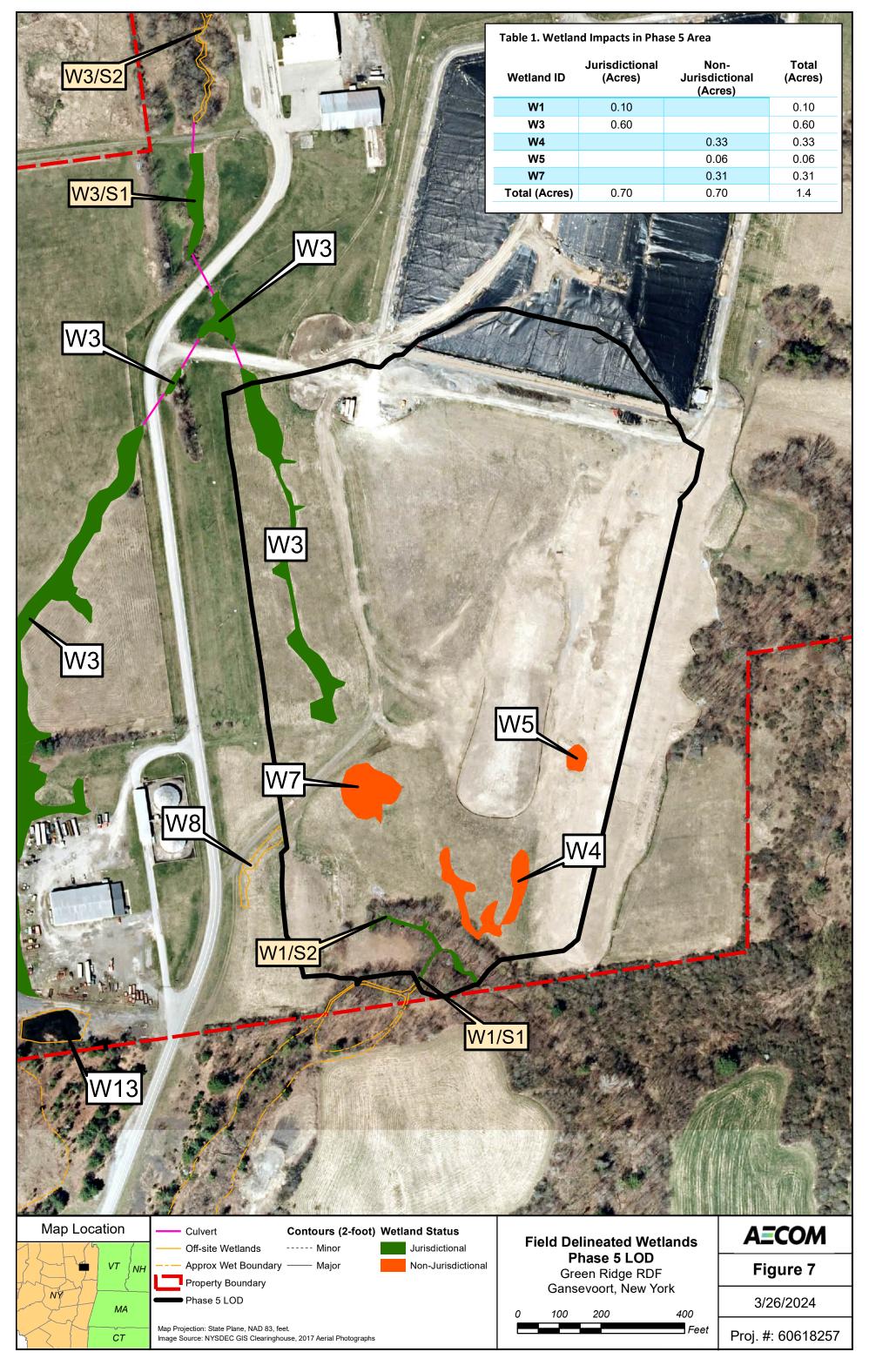
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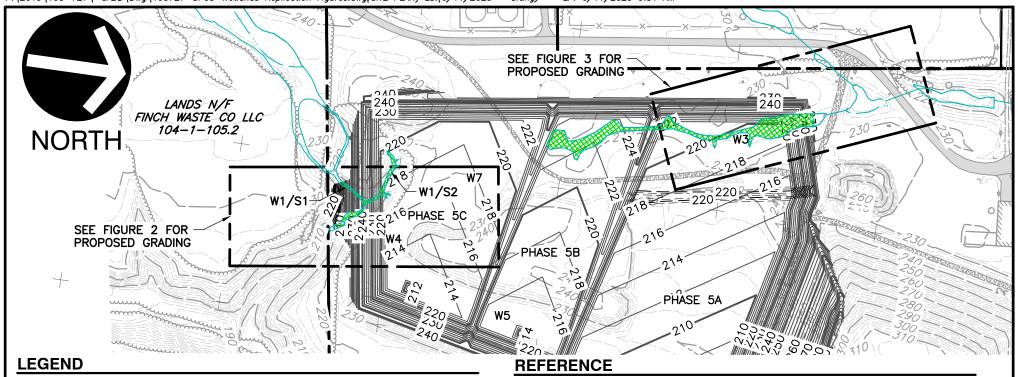
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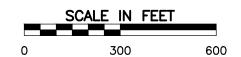
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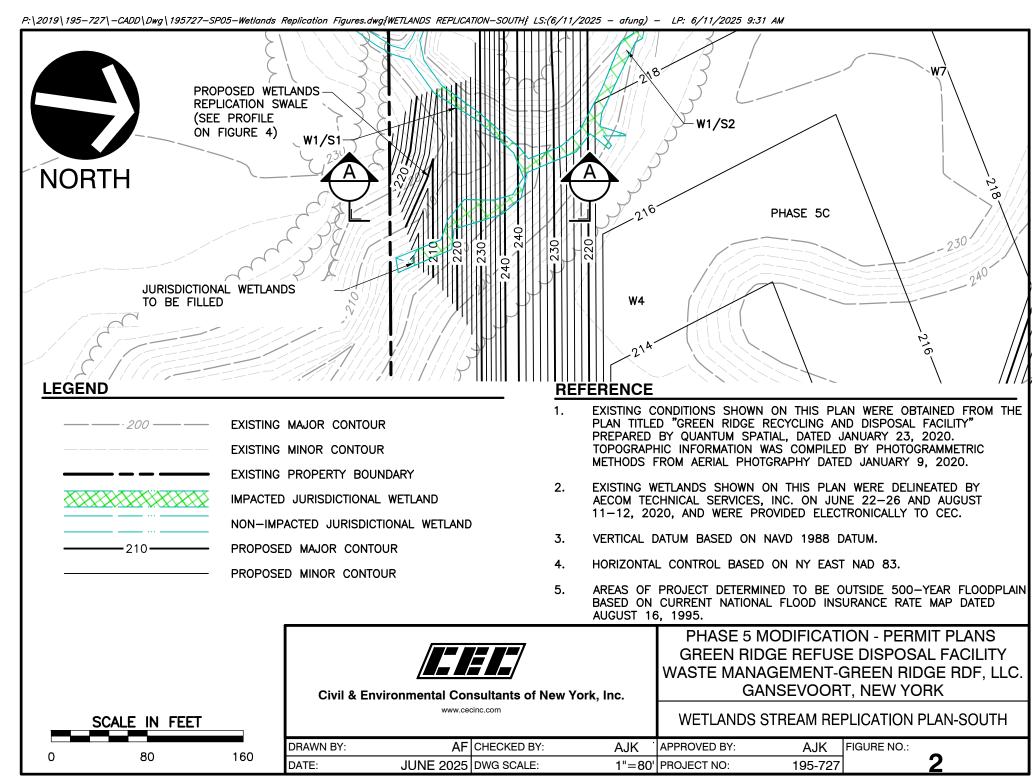
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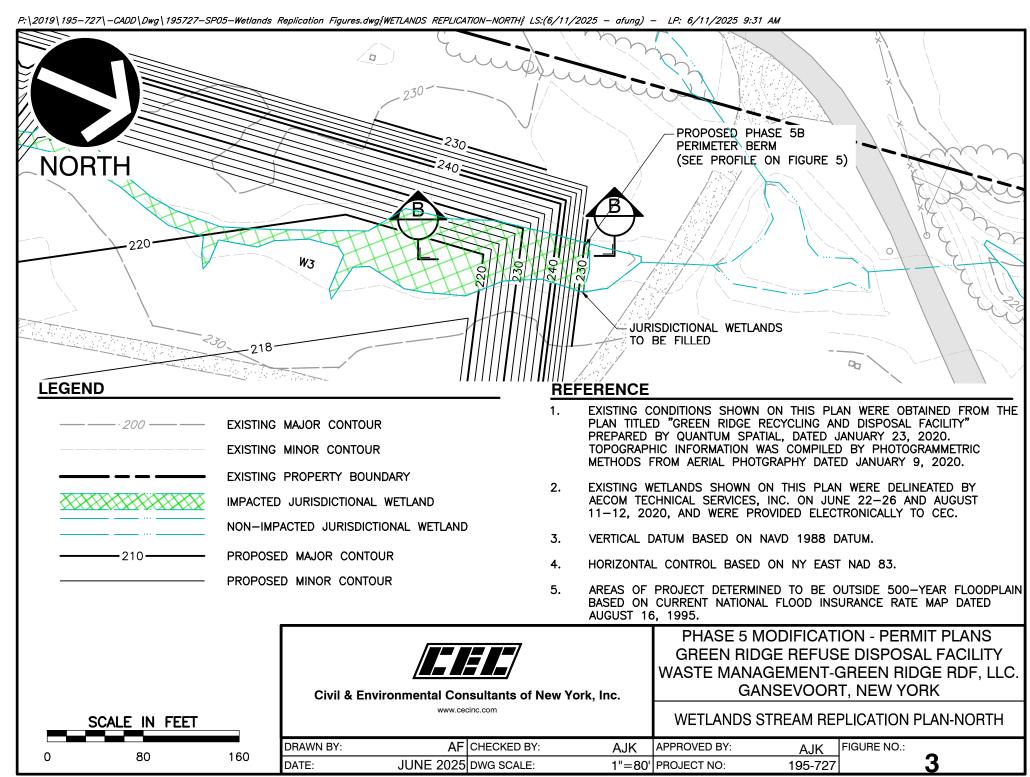
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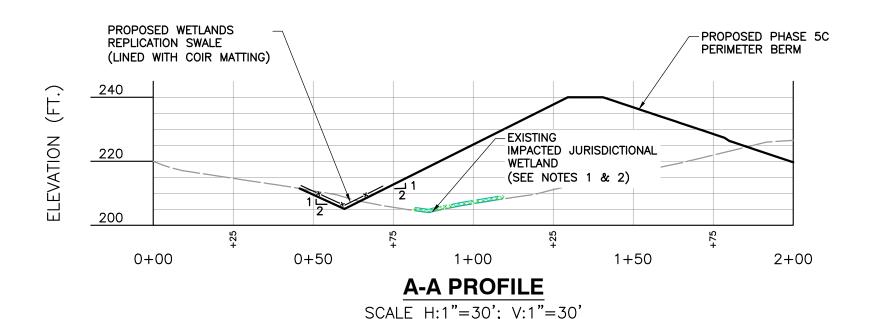
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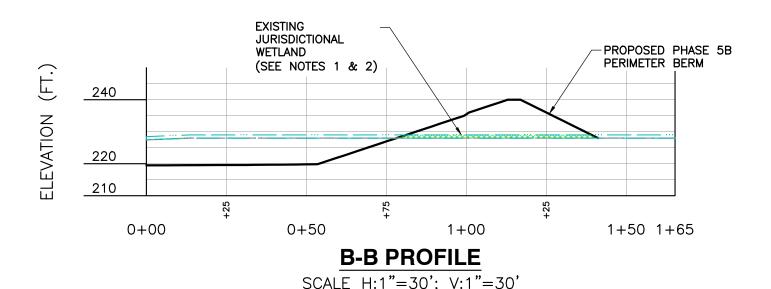
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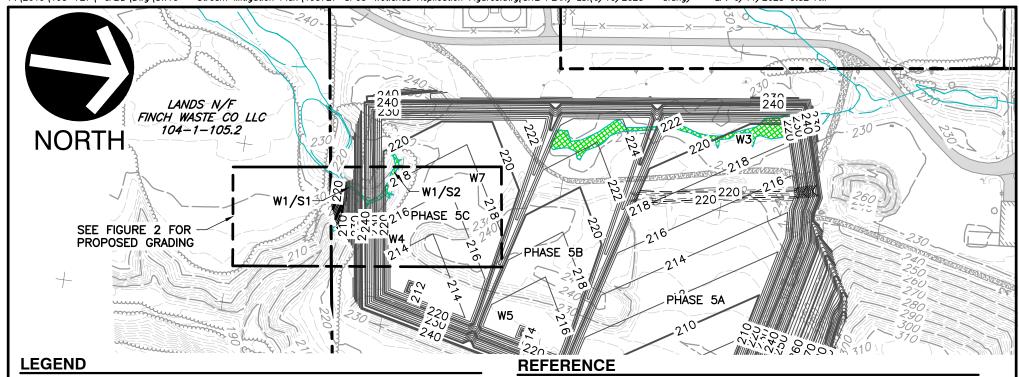
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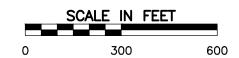
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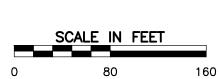
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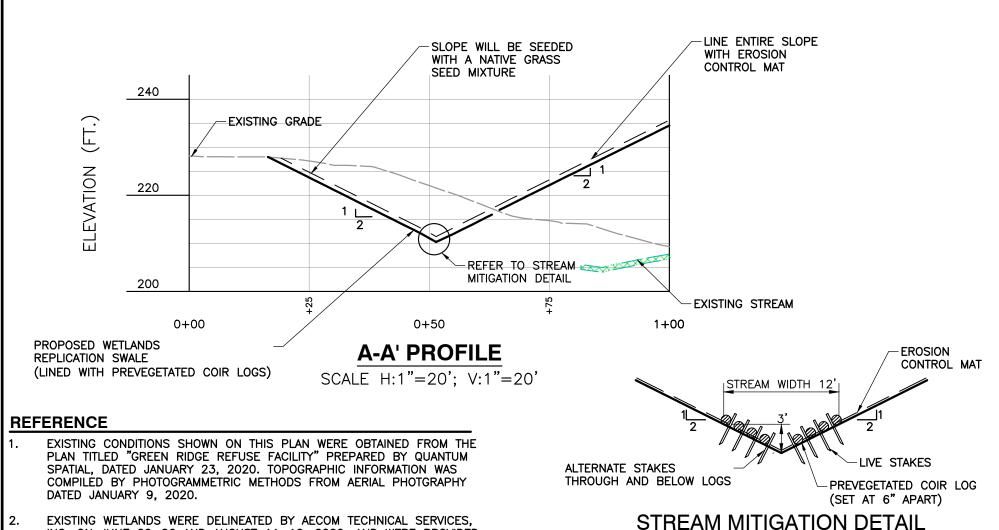
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WETLANDS STREAM MITIGATION PLAN

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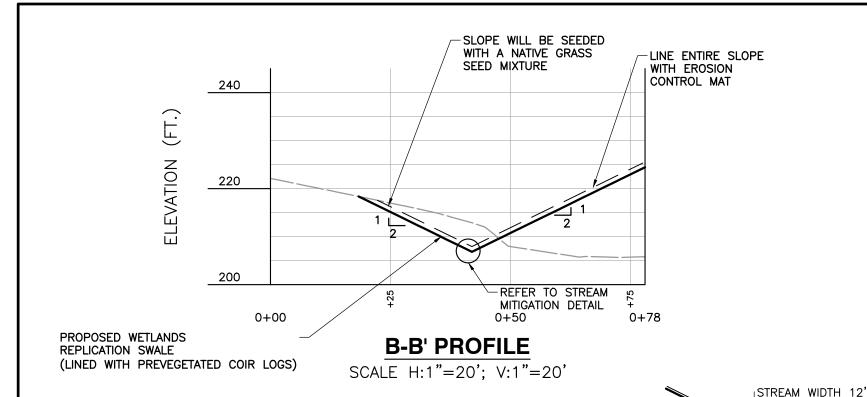
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LIVE STAKES ALTERNATE STAKES THROUGH AND BELOW LOGS PREVEGETATED COIR LOG (SET AT 6" APART) STREAM MITIGATION DETAIL

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STREAM MITIGATION PLAN GREEN RIDGE REFUSE DISPOSAL FACILITY WASTE MANAGEMENT-GREEN RIDGE RDF, LLC. GANSEVOORT, NEW YORK

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