



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
Philadelphia District
Wanamaker Building
100 Penn Square East
Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390
ATTN: CENAP-OP-R

Public Notice

Public Notice No.	Date
CENAP-OP-R-2008-1280	OCT 10 2008
Application No.	File No.
In Reply Refer to: REGULATORY BRANCH	

This District 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).

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments and recommendations from the public concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit for the work described below.

APPLICANT: National Park Service

WATERWAY: Delaware River

LOCATION: Located within the Delaware Water Gap National Park along the Bethany and Dingmans Choice Turnpike, at the existing Dingmans Ferry Access in Delaware Township, Pike County, Pennsylvania.

ACTIVITY: The applicant proposes to repair and modify the existing canoe and boat launch facility. The existing forty five foot (45) boat ramp will be repaired and extended 26 feet, the existing width of 24 feet will be maintained. The new portions of the ramp will be constructed using a solid, articulated concrete block (ACB) mat that is cabled in two directions. On the upstream, downstream and riverward sides the mat will be turned down, buried three (3) feet and protected using R-4 riprap on geotextile. A single paved lane will be constructed above the ordinary high water mark to provide access to the boat ramp and a new canoe launch area. The new canoe launch area will be constructed of solid core ABC mat 40 by 70 feet, the mat will be turned down, buried three (3) feet and protected using R-4 riprap on geotextile on three (3) sides. The existing damaged concrete canoe launch will be removed and exposed areas will be protected using riprap on geotextile. The attached plans, labeled E-1 through E-8, show the location of the project and proposed boat ramp and canoe launch. The area of permanent impact will be mostly within the original foot print of the existing facility. Permanent impacts to the Delaware River will be 319 cubic yards of fill material or 0.15 acre. Temporary impacts during construction will include the area of in-stream work approximately 0.25 acre.

Work is to be accomplished under low flow conditions. A floating turbidity curtain will be utilized to isolate the work area and prevent sedimentation from going downstream during in water construction. A Pike County Conservation District approved erosion and sediment control plan will be implemented to avoid and minimize discharges into the Delaware River from the project. Examples of methods to be employed include silt curtains, erosion control blankets, sand bags, and re-vegetation of disturbed areas. Construction may include the use of a bulldozer,

rubber tired front loader, rubber tired crane and/or excavator, paving machine, roller, and dump trucks.

PURPOSE: To repair and modify the existing canoe and boat launch facility to provide safe public access to the Delaware River.

The proposed project is a National Park Service (NPS) project and as such the NPS is the lead federal agency responsible for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

A preliminary review of this application indicates that the proposed work would not affect listed species or their critical habitat pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. As the evaluation of this application continues, additional information may become available which could modify this preliminary determination.

Review of the National Register of Historic Places indicates that no registered properties or properties listed as eligible for inclusion therein are located within the permit area of the work.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act 1996 (Public Law 104-267), requires all Federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency that may adversely effect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). A preliminary assessment of the species listed in the "[Guide to Essential Fish Habitat Designations in the Northeastern United States, Volume IV: New Jersey and Delaware](#)", dated March 1999.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the activity's probable impact including its cumulative impacts on the public interest. The 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 work must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the work will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs and welfare of the people. A Department of the Army permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest.

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.

Comments on the proposed work should be submitted, in writing, within 15 days to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District, Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107-3390.

In accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, a Water Quality Certificate is necessary from the State government in which the work is located. Any comments concerning the work described above which relate to Water Quality considerations should be sent to this office with a copy to the State.

The evaluation of the impact of the work described above on the public interest 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.

Any person may request, in writing, to the District Engineer, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state in writing, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

Additional information concerning this permit application may be obtained by calling Elaine Moyer at 570-842-1044 between the hours of 1:00 and 3:30 p.m. or writing this office at the above address.

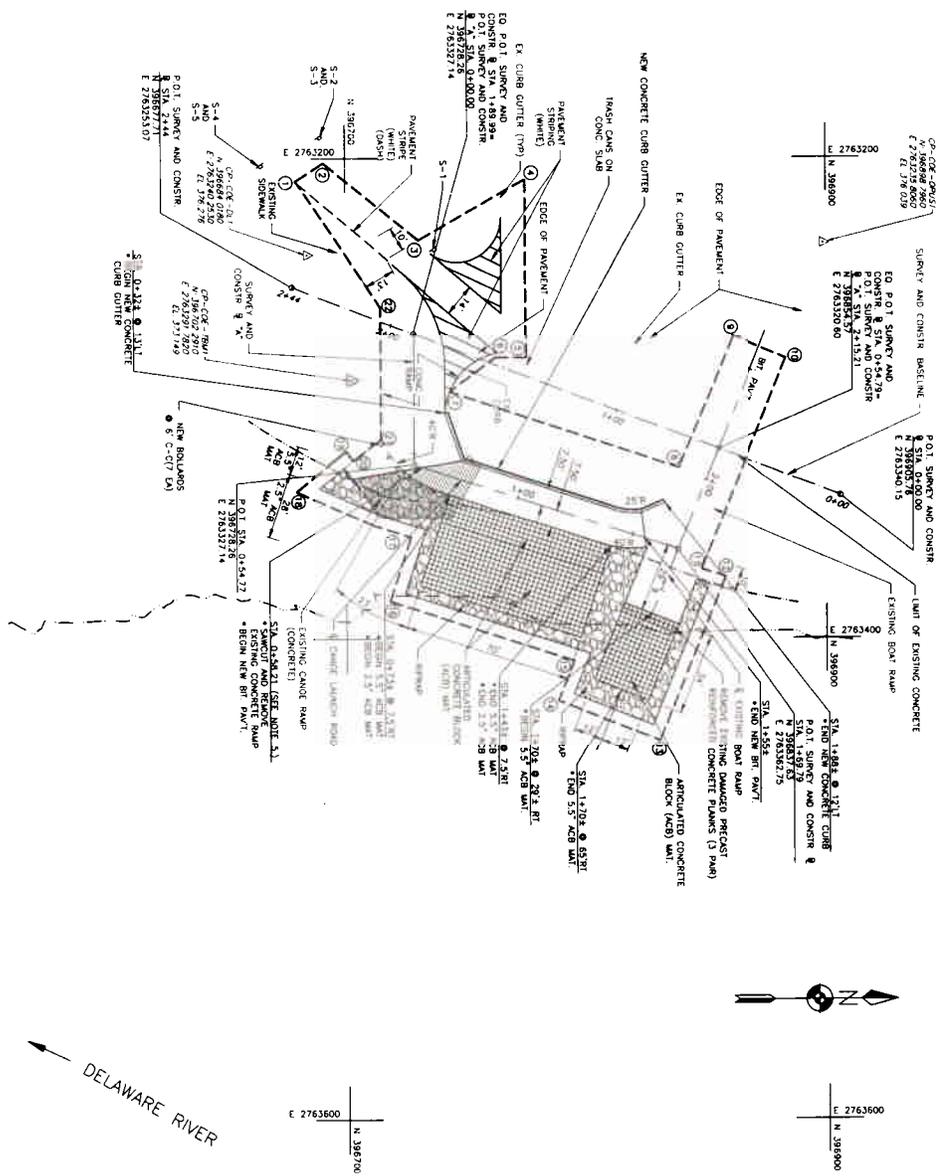


Frank J. Cianfrani
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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 2. VERTICAL CONTROL IS REFERENCED TO NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM (NAVD) 86.
 3. FIELD SURVEYS WERE PERFORMED DURING 14 MARCH 2008 TO 11 MARCH 2008 AND ONLY INDICATE THE CONDITIONS AT THAT TIME.
 4. FOR TYPICAL SECTIONS AND DETAILS, SEE SHEET 4.
 5. SEE REFERENCE DRAWINGS FOR DETAILS OF EXISTING CONCRETE RAMP.
 6. PAVEMENT STRIPING SHALL BE 4" WIDE EXCEPT FOR DIAGONAL LINES WHICH SHALL BE 8" WIDE.

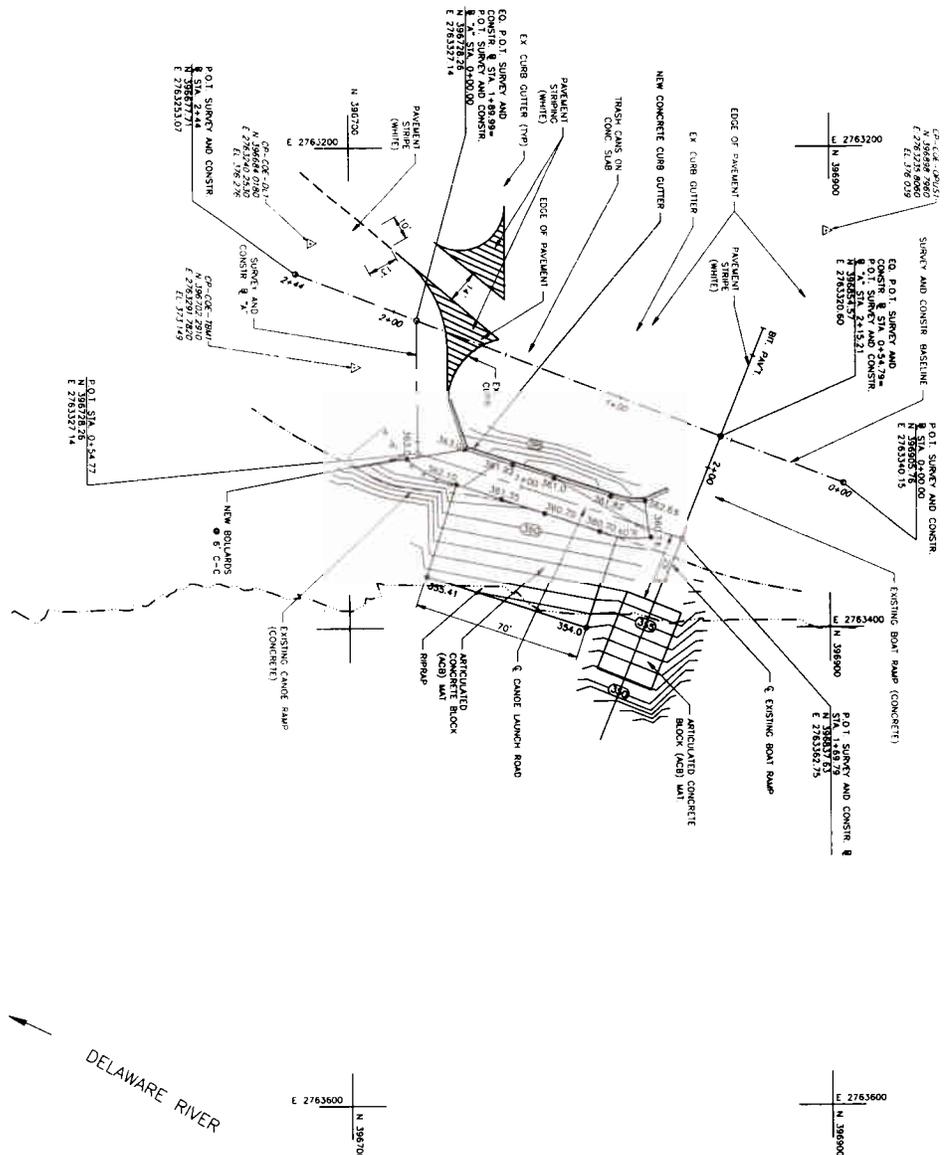
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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 DELAWARE STATE WILDLIFE RECREATION AREA
 DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
 BOAT LAUNCH RAMP REPAIR
 PLAN

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 - - POINT ON IMPROVEMENT
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 - - - - NEW CONTOUR ELEVATION



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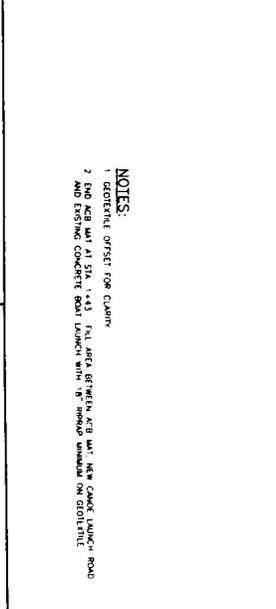
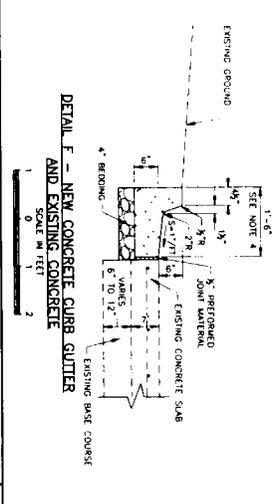
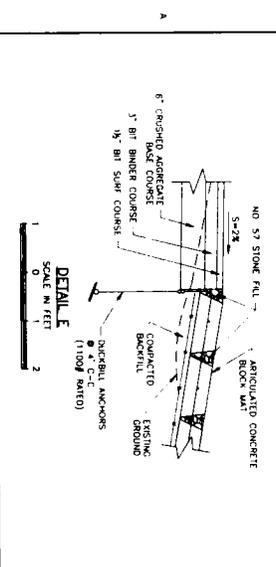
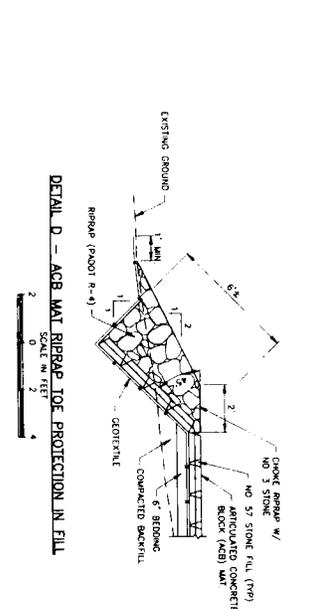
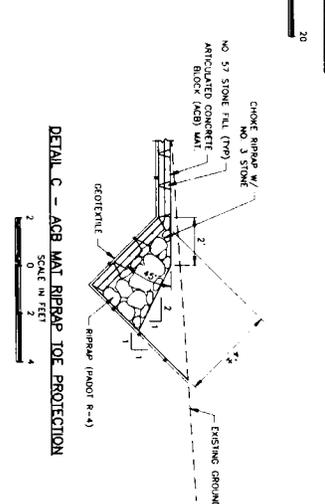
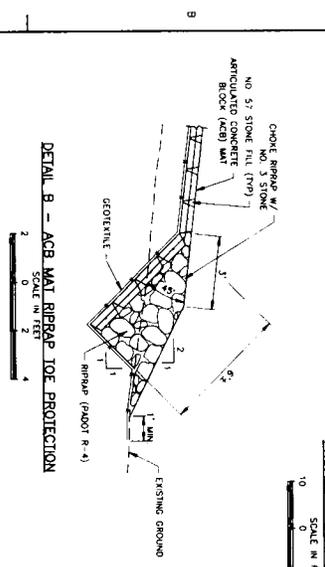
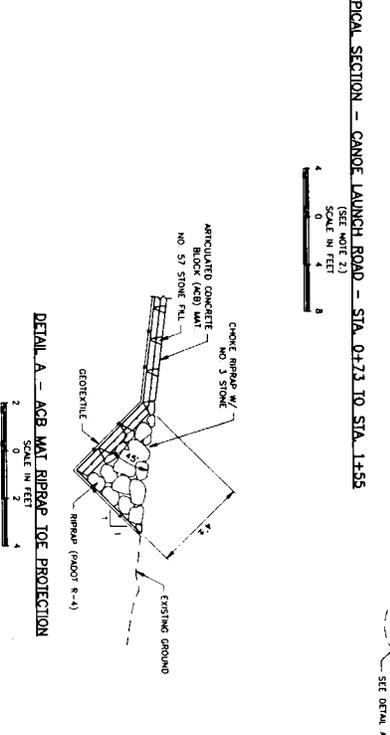
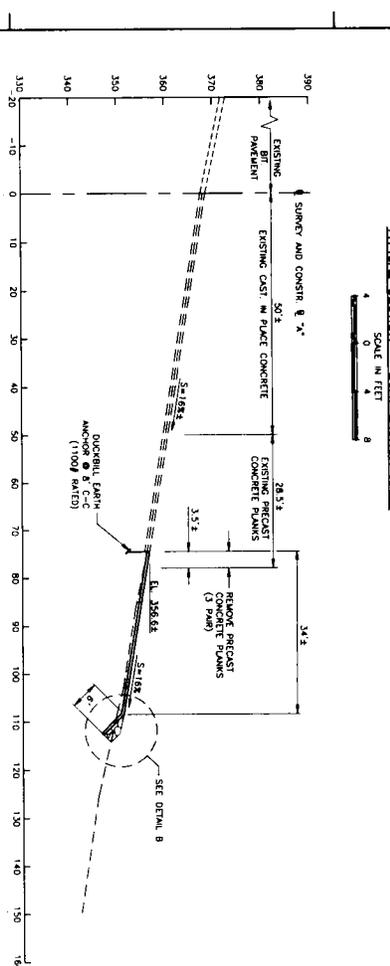
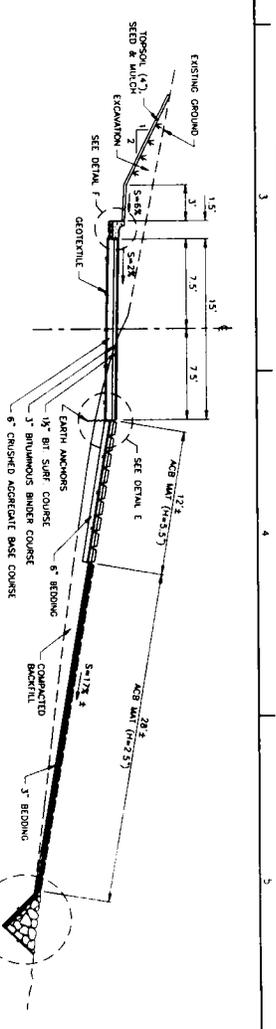
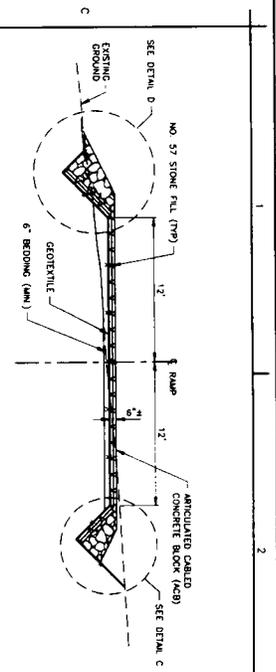
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DELAWARE WATER CANYON RECREATION AREA
THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
BOAT LAUNCH RAMP REPAIR
GRADING PLAN

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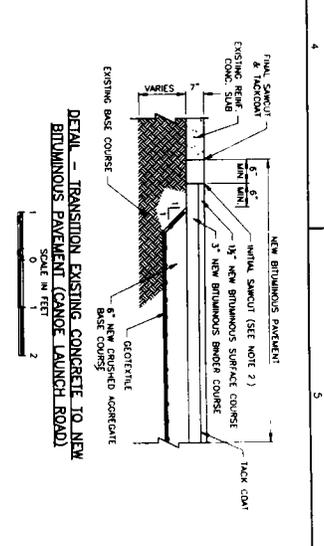
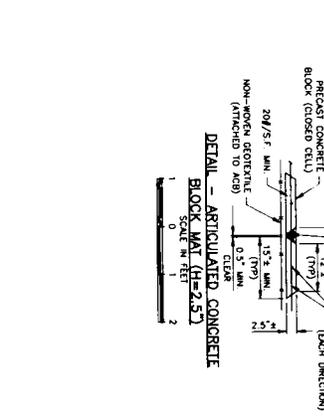
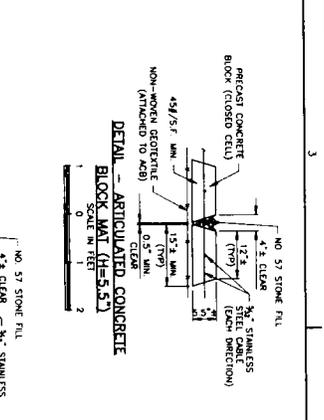
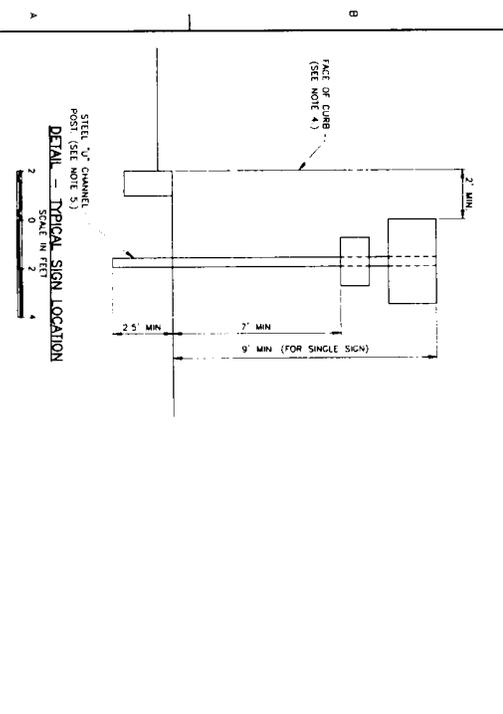
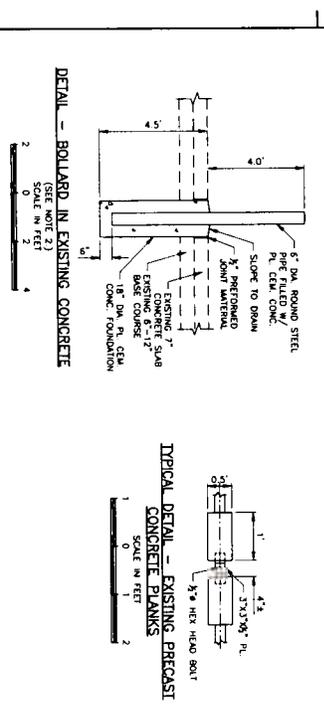
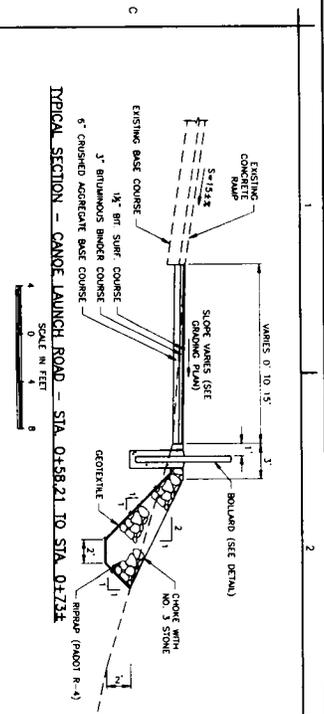
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 3 END EXISTING CONCRETE BOAT LAUNCH MAT TO REMAIN UNCHANGED IN DETAIL C

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE DELAWARE WATER GAP NATIONAL RECREATION AREA DELAWARE WATER GAP NATIONAL TRAIL ACCESS WYOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA BOAT LAUNCH RAMP REPAIR TYPICAL SECTIONS AND DETAILS Sheet # 4 of 8	Approved by: [Signature] Date: 10 OCT 2008 Checked by: [Signature] Drawn by: [Signature] Title: [Signature]
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- NOTES:**
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 2. BOLLARD DETAIL IN REPAIR IS THE SAME EXCEPT FOR PREFORMED JOINT MATERIAL.
 3. WIDTH IS THE ABBREVIATION FOR THE MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES FOR HIGHWAYS AND STREETS - US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION.
 4. WHERE A SIGNAGE CURB THE SIGN SHALL BE LOCATED 4 MINIMUM OF 7\"/>
 5. POSTS SHALL GUARANTEE ORIGIN (UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED) 4 85/111 MIN. AND REORIENTED AT 1\"/>

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
NATIONAL WATER SERVICE
DELTA RIVER REPAIR AREA
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BOAT LAUNCH RAMP REPAIR
DETAILS

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