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Philadelphia District
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Attn: CENAP-OPR

Public Notice

Comment Period Begins: October 8, 2024
Comment Period Ends: November 8, 2024
File Number: NAP-2024-00419-87
File Name: Grand Bay Harbor Condos OC
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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).

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: Anthony Wilcenski, Grand Bay Harbor Condo Association

AGENT: Junetta Dix, Act Engineers, Inc.
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LOCATION: The project site is located in a man-made marina basin connected to Barnegat Bay, and in Barnegat Bay at 26 Grand Bay Harbor Drive, Waretown, Ocean County, New Jersey (39.784554° N, -74.185744° W), Block 220, Lot 10, Ocean Township, NJ.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the project is to maintain adequate water depths at an existing marina.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Grand Harbor Condominium Association Inc. proposes to conduct 10-year mechanical maintenance dredging in an existing marina basin called Liberty Harbor located at 26 Grand Bay Harbor Drive in Waretown, Ocean Township, Ocean County, NJ (39.784548, -74.185744). In total, the project would remove approximately 8,128.0-cubic yards of bottom sediments from an approximately 2.0-acre boat basin area to a maximum depth of -6.0 feet MLW (-5 ft with 1 foot of allowable overdredge) over a 10-year period. All resultant dredged material will be offloaded and dewatered in two hopper barges or within the temporary staging area on site, and then loaded into trucks at the subject property and subsequently transported for disposal at Oyster Creek combined disposal facility located at Block 100, Lot 1.05, in Lacey Township, Ocean County. Sediment within the basin generally consists of fine to medium sand (44-57%) with varying amounts of silt (about 30% and a small amount of clay and coarse sand (less than 10% each). A CZM, WQC, WFD IP-Commercial/Industrial/Public

(Waterward), and Acceptable Use Determination was issued by NJDEP DLRP for this project on August 2, 2024 (1520-24-0002.1 LUP240001).

For additional project details, see the attached plans identified as: “Dredge Design Plan for Grand Bay Harbor, Ocean Township, Situated in Ocean County New Jersey” and “Offloading Exhibit for Grand Bay Harbor, Ocean Township, Ocean County New Jersey” prepared by ACT Engineers, Inc., one sheet each, dated 05/01/2024 and 8/27/24, respectively.

MITIGATION

The applicant has stated that the proposed project has been designed to avoid and minimize adverse effects on the aquatic environment to the maximum extent practicable. Information provided in the application and on plans indicates that there will be no discharge of dredged or fill material in waters of the United States and as such, compensatory mitigation for the proposed structure(s) and/or work is not proposed

CORPS EVALUATION FACTORS

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 these factors 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.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

A preliminary review of this application indicates that species and/or their critical habitat pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) may be present in the action area. This office will forward this Public Notice to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and/or National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) with a request for technical assistance on whether any ESA-listed species or their critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the proposed activity. This office will evaluate the potential effects of the proposed actions on ESA-listed species or their critical habitat and will consult with the USFWS and/or NMFS, as appropriate. ESA Section 7 consultation would be concluded prior to the final decision on this permit application.

CULTURAL RESOURCES AND TRIBAL TRUST

The District's Cultural Resource Specialist and Tribal Liaison is currently reviewing the proposed permit action for potential impacts to Historic Properties eligible for or listed on the National Register of Historic Places and for potential issues concerning the Tribes. A determination of effects will be coordinated with the State Historic Preservation Office, the Tribes and other consulting parties as necessary.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) requires all federal agencies to consult with the NMFS for all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). A preliminary review of this application indicates that EFH is present within the project area. This office will evaluate the potential effects of the proposed actions on EFH and will consult with NMFS, as appropriate. Consultation would be concluded prior to the final decision on this permit application.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATE

In accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, a Water Quality Certificate (WQC) is required from the State government in which the work is located. The applicant has received a WQC from the State for the subject project.

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT

In accordance with Section 307(c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, applicants for Federal Licenses or Permits to conduct an activity affecting land or water uses in a State's coastal zone must provide certification that the activity complies with the State's Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program. The applicant has received a CZM consistency concurrence from the State for the subject project.

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS AND PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST

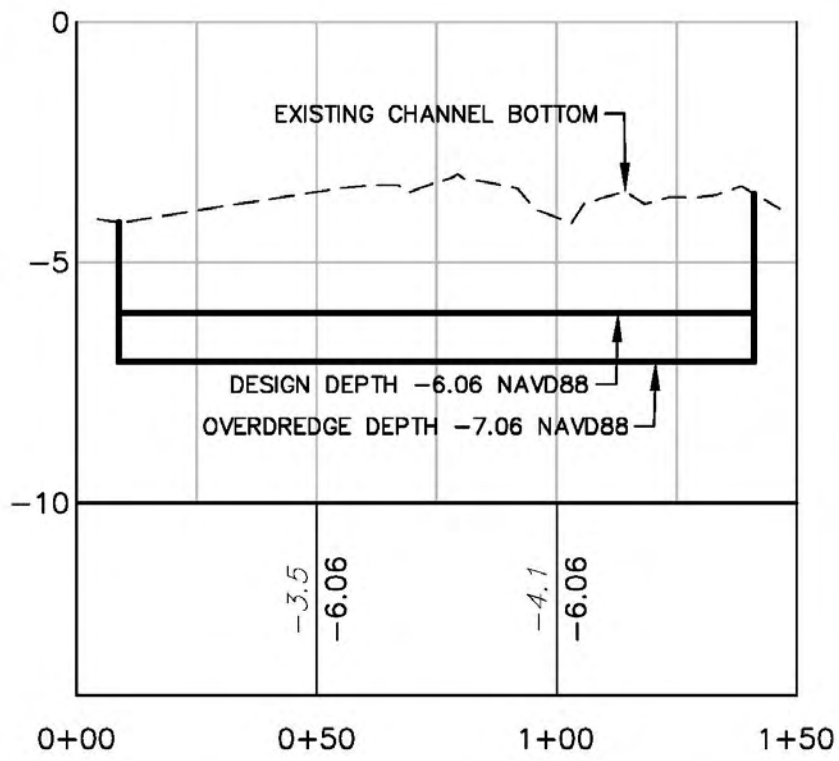
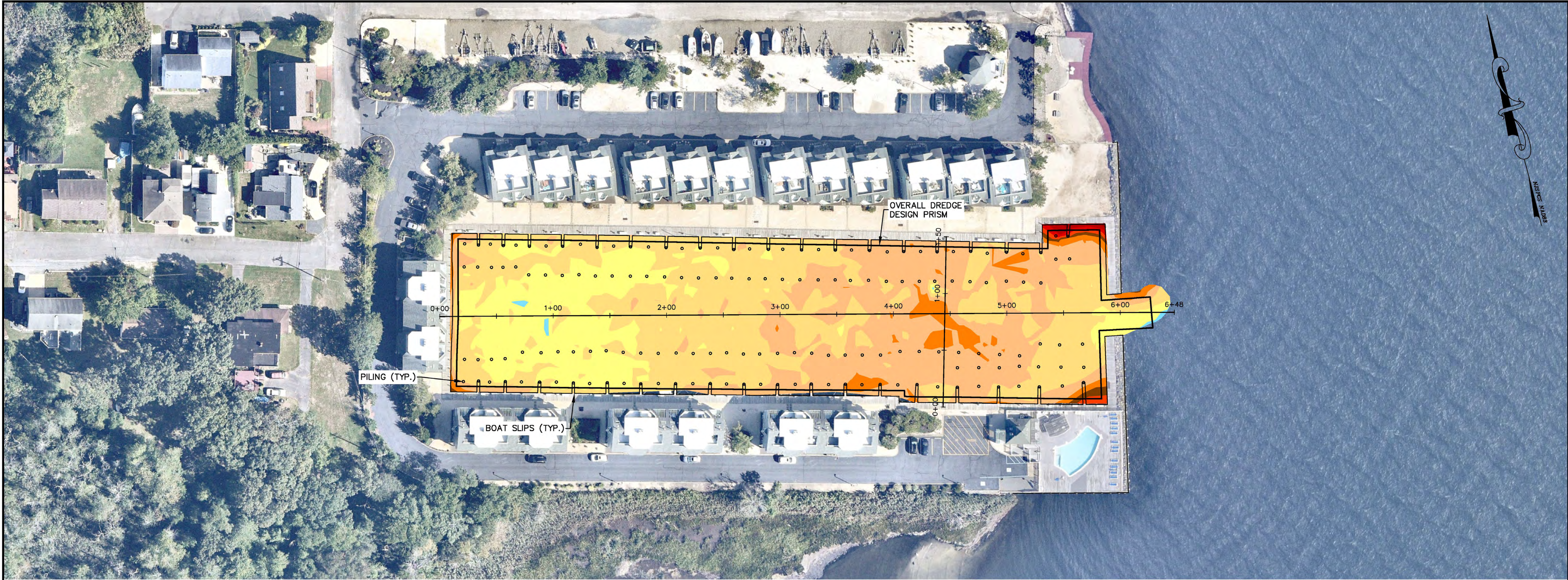
Any comments received will be considered by this office to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposed project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess the probable impact on the public interest. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Comments on the proposed work must be submitted, in writing, within the comment period indicated in the header above. Any person may request, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Requests for a public hearing must be in writing and state the reasons for holding a public hearing.

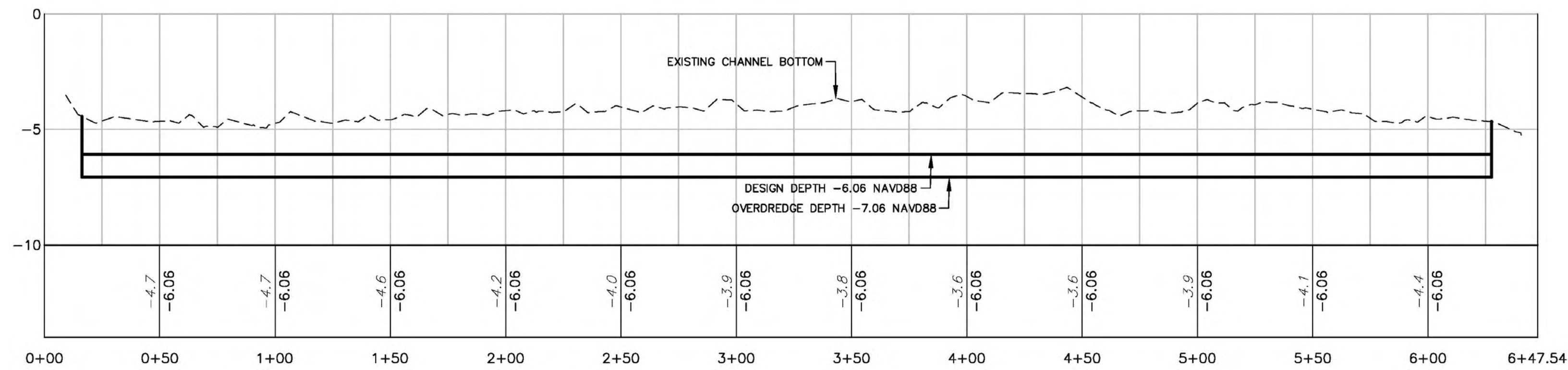
Please provide any comments, request for a public hearing, or requests for additional information to the Regulatory Project Manager indicated above. All Public Notices are posted on our website at:

<https://www.nap.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Public-Notices/>

FOR: Todd A. Schaible
Chief, Regulatory Branch



LONG SHORE PROFILE



CROSS SHORE PROFILE

- GENERAL NOTES:**
- HORIZONTAL DATUM IS THE NEW JERSEY STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 (NAD83), U.S. SURVEY FOOT, AND THE VERTICAL DATUM IS THE NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 (NAVD88).
 - PHYSICAL FEATURES OUTSIDE OF THE SITE HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETELY SHOWN.
 - UNDERGROUND UTILITY SERVICE LINES, IF ANY, WERE NOT A PART OF THIS PROJECT AND ARE UNKNOWN.
 - DATUMS WERE ESTABLISHED ON SITE USING GPS OBSERVATIONS.
 - THE FIELD SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED ON NOVEMBER 8, 2023 BY ACT ENGINEERS, INC.
 - SOUNDING ELEVATIONS (IN FEET AND TENTHS) AND CONTOURS REFER TO NAVD88.
 - THE HYDROGRAPHIC INFORMATION DEPICTED ON THIS MAP REPRESENTS THE RESULTS OF SURVEYS MADE ON THE DATE INDICATED AND CAN ONLY BE CONSIDERED AS INDICATING THE GENERAL CONDITIONS EXISTING AT THAT TIME.
 - THIS MAP SHOULD NOT BE USED FOR NAVIGATION PURPOSES.
 - MEAN LOW WATER (MLW) IS 1.06 FEET BELOW NAVD88. MEAN LOW WATER TIDAL ELEVATIONS BASED ON: MLW DATUM NOAA TIDAL STATION 8533615, BARNEGAT INLET (INSIDE) NJ, (TIDAL EPOCH 1983-2001).

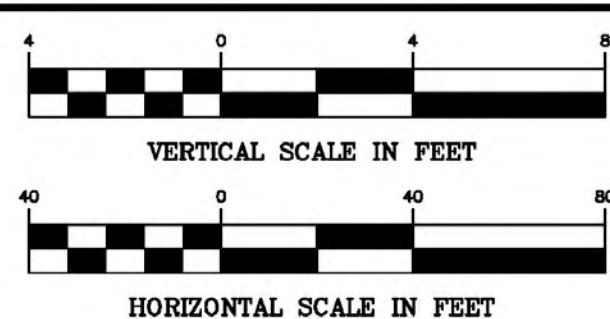
- REFERENCE NOTES:**
- AERIAL IMAGE OBTAINED VIA NEARMAP, DATED 9/8/23.

GRAND BAY HARBOR OVERALL DREDGE VOLUME	
VOLUME ABOVE DREDGE DESIGN PRISM (EL. -6.06 [-5.0 MLW])	5,330 CY
VOLUME WITHIN OVERDREDGE PRISM (EL. -7.06 [-6.0 MLW])	2,798 CY
TOTAL VOLUME TO BE REMOVED	8,128 CY

COLOR LEGEND	
ELEVATION -6.0 TO -5.5	
ELEVATION -5.5 TO -5.0	
ELEVATION -5.0 TO -4.5	
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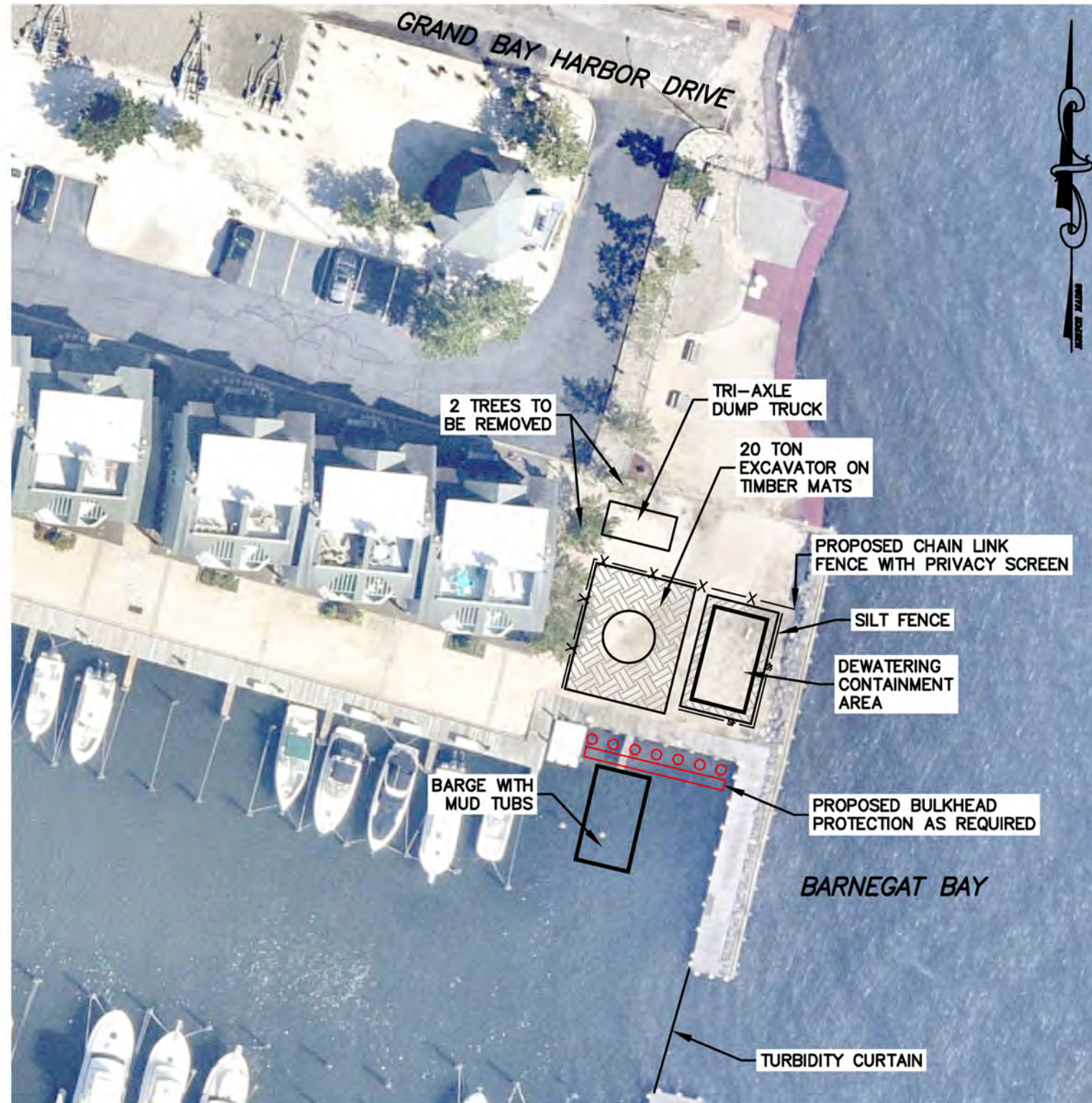
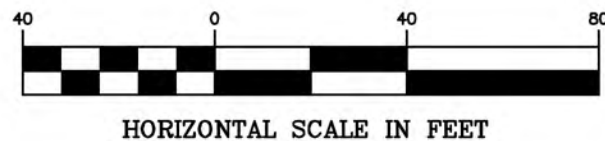
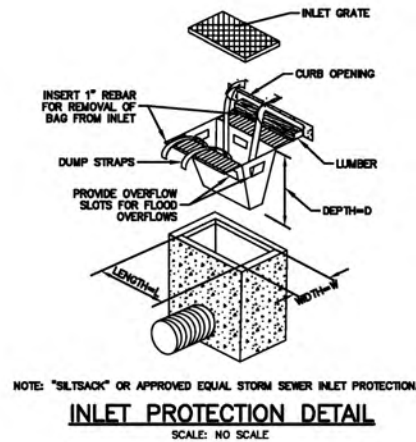
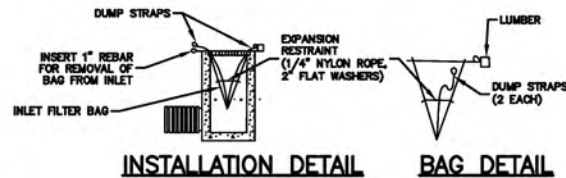
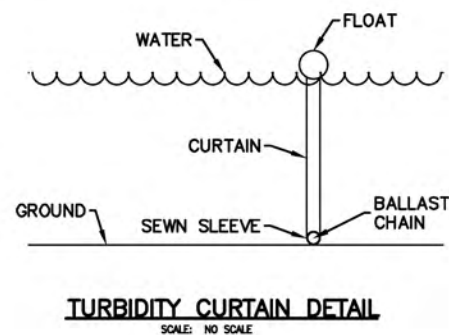
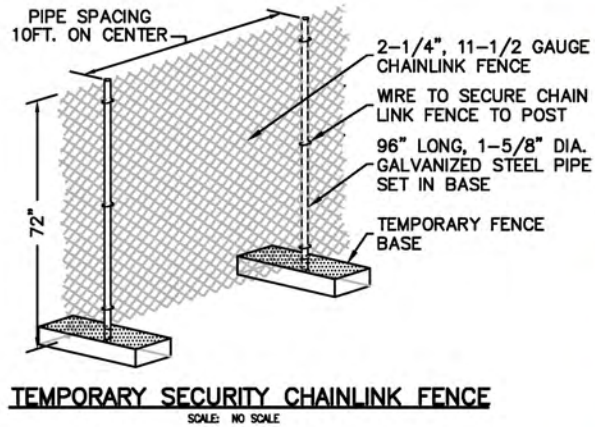


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**DREDGE DESIGN PLAN
FOR
GRAND BAY HARBOR**

OCEAN TOWNSHIP SITUATED IN OCEAN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

CADD FILE F-SITE PROJECT NO. 230525-00
DRAWN BY NH CHECKED BY JR
SCALE V:1"=4' DATE 5/1/24
H:1"=40'
ACT ENGINEERS, INC.
SHEET
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OFFLOADING EXHIBIT FOR GRAND BAY HARBOR

OCEAN TOWNSHIP

OCEAN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY



KEY MAP

1. SPILL PLATE TO BE INSTALLED ALONG OFFLOADING AREA AT THE BULKHEAD.
2. PROVIDE INLET SEDIMENT PROTECTION AS REQUIRED.
3. PROVIDE BULKHEAD PROTECTION AS REQUIRED.
4. FINGER PIERS AND PILINGS REMOVED FOR BARGE ACCESS MUST BE REPLACED IN THE SAME LOCATION.
5. DEWATERING AREA TO BE ENCOMPASSED WITH STRAW AND JERSEY BARRIERS.

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