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U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, MOBILE DISTRICT
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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. SAM-2024-00220-CSP

June 17, 2024

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE)

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
OFFICE OF POLLUTION CONTROL (MDEQ)

PROPOSED WETLAND FILL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A WET-GAP WATER
CROSSING TRAINING FACILITY, CAMP SHELBY, FORREST COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: This District has received an application for a Department of the Army (DA) permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: Camp Shelby
Environmental Office Building 6530
Camp Shelby, MS 39407-5500

LOCATION: Lake Janney and Wetlands Associated with Poplar Creek; along Grapevine Road; Section 26, Township 2 North, Range 12 West; Latitude: 31.106859°North and Longitude: -89.164451°West; Camp Shelby, Forrest County, Mississippi.

PROPOSED WORK: The applicant proposes to impact 7.08 acres of wetlands associated with the construction of a wet-gap water crossing training facility located along Grapevine Road in Camp Shelby, Forrest County, Mississippi. The purpose of the project is to facilitate crossing a body of water or depression in the earth's surface for Department of Defense entities, in order to strengthen strategic readiness in a contested multi-domain battlespace. The project site is approximately 85.17 acres in size of which 15.09 acres have been identified as wetlands, along with a 16.38-acre lake. Impacts include discharges of fill material into 2.20 acres of wetlands for the construction of a wet-gap crossing to erect a temporary line of communication bridge, 1.05 acres of wetlands for the construction of a low water crossing, 2.83 acres of wetlands for the construction of hardened approaches, and 1.00 acre of wetlands for dam rehabilitation. The applicant also proposes to temporarily drain the lake and dredge approximately 8,000 cubic yards of sediment material. All dredged material will be placed in uplands on-site, sloped, and vegetated. Approximately 8.01 acres of wetlands and 812 linear feet of perennial stream have been avoided. The applicant proposes to provide in-kind compensatory mitigation through a mitigation bank.

WATER QUALITY: The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification Rule (Certification Rule, 40 CFR 121), requires certification for any license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge. The applicant is responsible for

requesting certification and providing required information to the certifying agency. As of the date of this public notice, the applicant has not submitted a certification request to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (certifying authority).

HISTORIC PROPERTIES: In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and Appendix C of 33 CFR 325, the undertaking defined in this notice is being considered for the potential to affect historic properties. In accordance with Appendix C of 33 CFR 325, the Corps has determined the permit area consists of the entire project footprint. The National Register of Historic Places will be consulted for properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register, which are known to exist and would be affected by the proposed work. The Mobile District is seeking comments regarding the existence, or the potential for existence, of significant cultural and historic properties within the permit area. At this time, the USACE, Mobile District has made no determination regarding potential effects of the project on cultural/historic resources. Further coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer and/or federally-recognized American Indian tribes will be performed as determined to be appropriate.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: Preliminary review of this application and the U.S. Department of the Interior's List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants indicate the following federally-listed species are known or expected to occur within the project area: Red-Cockaded Woodpecker (E), Wood Stork (T), Black Pinesnake (T), Dusky Gopher Frog (E), Gopher Tortoise (T), and Louisiana Quillwort (E). There is no designated critical habitat within the project action area. At this time, the USACE, Mobile District has made no determination regarding potential effects of the project on the above-listed species. Further coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and NMFS will be performed as determined to be appropriate.

COMMENTS: This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons in order to assist in developing facts on which a decision by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers can be based. For accuracy and completeness of the record, all data in support of or in opposition to the proposed work should be submitted in writing setting forth sufficient detail to furnish a clear understanding of the reasons for support or opposition.

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, consideration 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 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.

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

Evaluation of the probable impacts involving deposits of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number **SAM-2024-00220-CSP** and should be directed to the District Engineer, Mobile District, Regulatory Division, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Christopher S. Pickering, or submitted electronically at christopher.s.pickering@usace.army.mil, (251) 455-8627. Copies of all comments should be furnished to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Post Office Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225.

All comments should be received no later than 30 days from the date of this Public Notice.

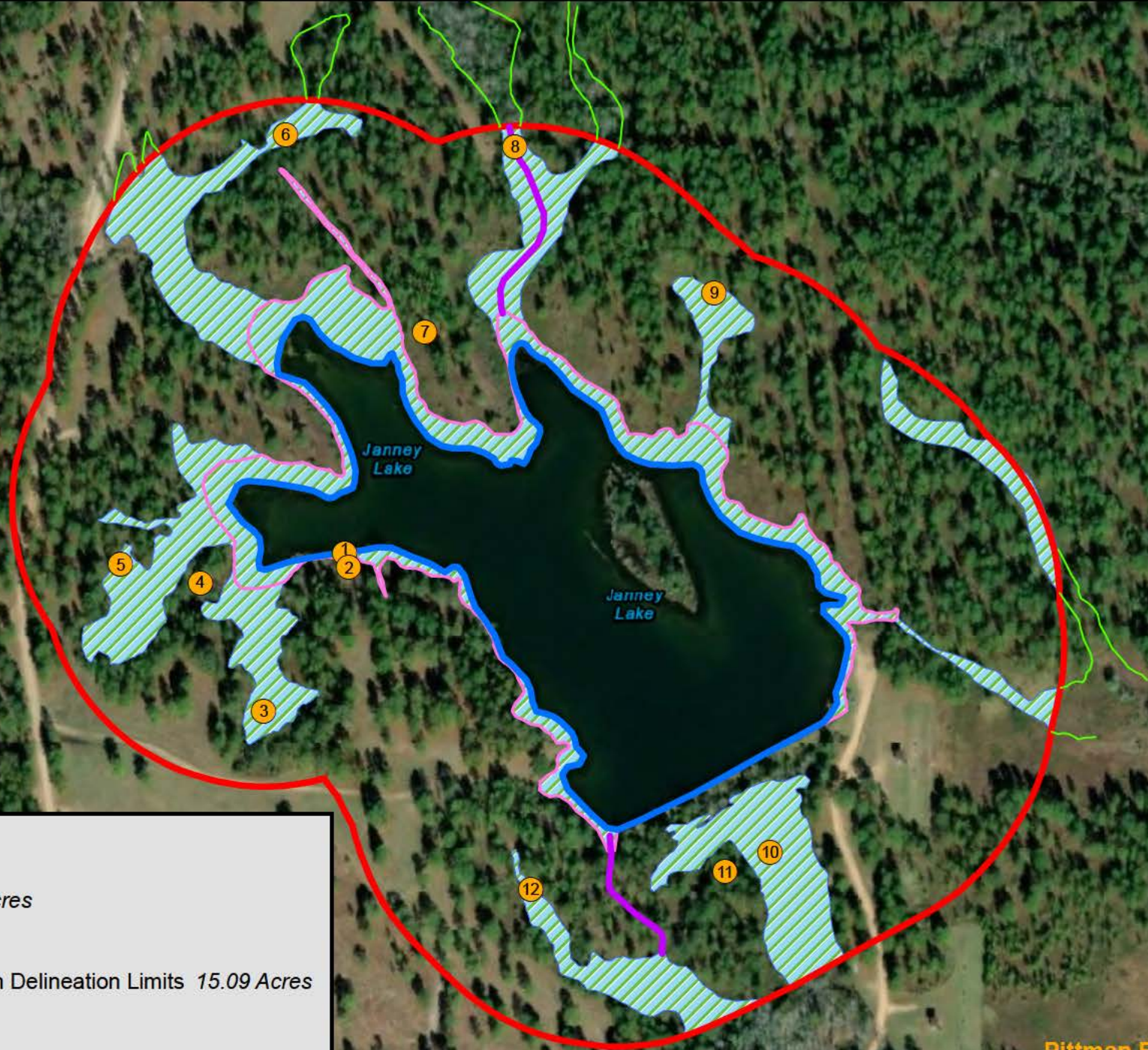
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MOBILE DISTRICT
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Attachments

**PRELIMINARY WETLAND DELINEATION
LAKE JANNEY WET GAP PROJECT
CSJFTS**

**31.107059, -89.164332
Section 25 & 26, T-2N, R-12W
Forrest County, Mississippi**



Legend

- Delineation Limits 85.17 Acres
- Lake Janney 16.38 Acres
- PFO & PEM Wetland Within Delineation Limits 15.09 Acres
- PEM Wetland 4.7 Acres
- Perennial Stream 812 LF
- Data Point Locations

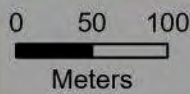
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Camp Shelby, MS; Proposed Lake Janney LOC-B Concept

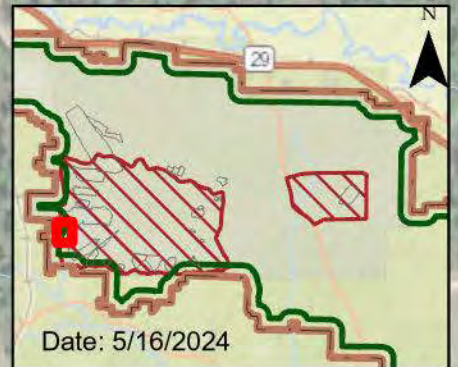


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— Poplar Creek Trib	— LOC-B AREA
Total 15.09 ac	— LOC-B NORTH APPROACH
PEM 4.7 ac	— LOC-B SOUTH APPROACH
PFO 10.39 ac	— LOW WATER CROSSING
Desc	— TOP OF DAM
HARDENED APPROACH	— Overall Concept Boundaries



Project Area:
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31°6'30.907"N
Prj: WGS84Z16

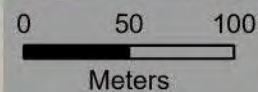


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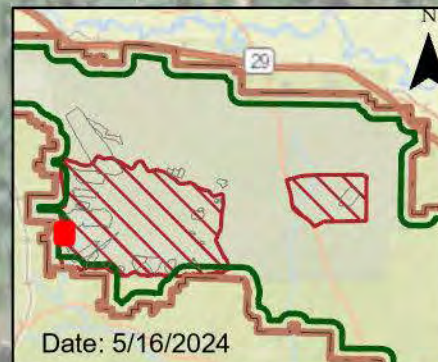


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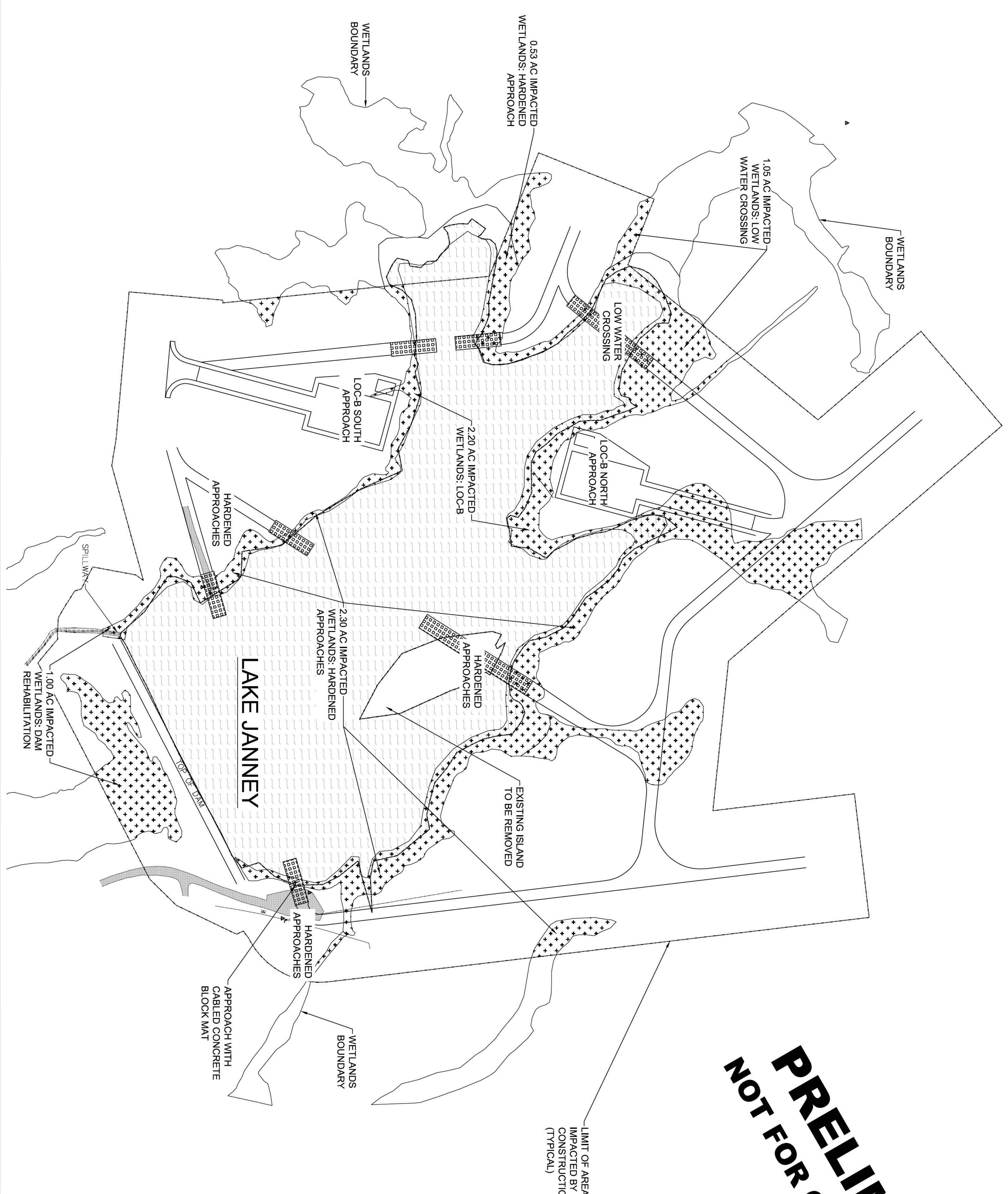
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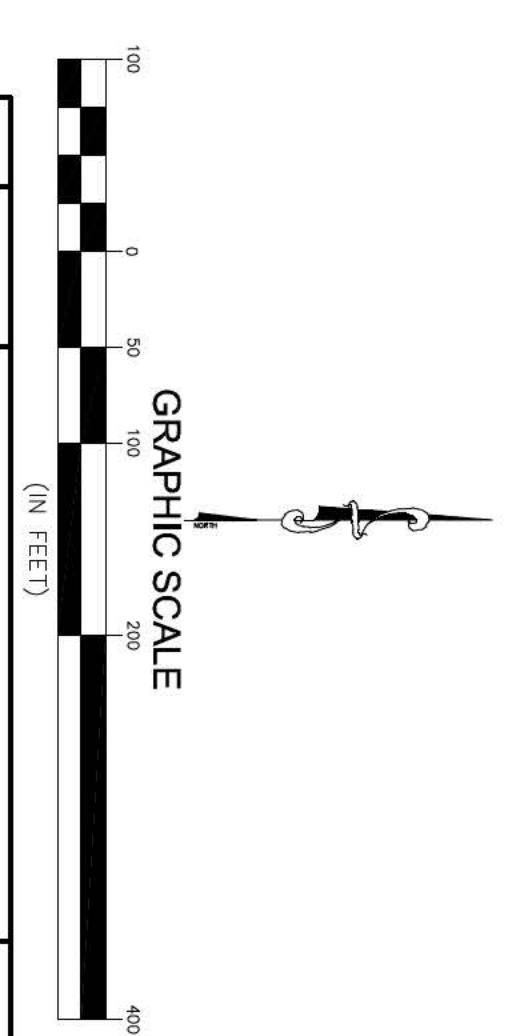
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OVERALL SITE CONCEPT

LAKE JANNEY LOC - B SITE
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