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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant:
David Taulli

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**Mobile District
Permit Application No. SAM-2025-00470-SMP
Joint Public Notice: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE),
Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Office of
Pollution Control (MDEQ), and Mississippi Department of
Marine Resources (MDMR) (DMR25-000319)**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Mobile 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) **and/or** Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. §403). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

APPLICANT: David Taulli
270 South Waters Road
Apartment 51
Allen, Texas 76013

AGENT: Mitch Tinsley
Ecological Asset Management, LLC
530 Main Street
Suite B
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520

WATERWAY AND LOCATION: The project would affect waters of the United States associated with St. Louis Bay. The project/review area is located on the east side of Pogo Road, approximately 3.0 miles northeast of the intersection of MS Highway 43 and U.S. Highway 90 in 37 Section, 8S Township, 14W Range; at Latitude 30.340239° North and Longitude 89.343156° West; in Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

EXISTING CONDITIONS: The review area totals approximately 1.04 acres, with 0.59-acre designated as low quality, bottomland hardwood wetlands. The surrounding area includes residential developments, tidal marsh, and undeveloped land.

PROJECT PURPOSE:

Basic: The Corps has determined the basic purpose of the proposed project is to provide residential housing.

Overall: The Corps has determined the overall purpose of the proposed project is to provide two (2) single-family dwellings located near the Highway 90 traffic corridor in Bay St. Louis.

PROPOSED WORK: The applicant requests after-the-fact (ATF) authorization to retain fill in 0.43-acre of non-tidal wetlands for the construction of two new single-family residences as well as the removal of fill material from 0.08-acre of tidal wetlands.

AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION: The applicant has provided the following information in support of efforts to avoid and/or minimize impacts to the aquatic environment: The applicant is proposing to remove fill material from estuarine and marine wetlands onsite and allow this area to naturally revegetate.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: The applicant offered the following compensatory mitigation plan to offset unavoidable functional loss to the aquatic environment: The applicant is proposing to offset unavoidable impacts to wetlands through the purchase of off-site mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank.

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 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) Section 7 Mapper, and 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 within the boundary of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project will not affect any listed species or critical habitat.

Table 1: ESA-listed species and/or critical habitat potentially present in the action area.

Species Common Name and/or Critical Habitat Name	Scientific Name	Federal Status
Dusky Gopher Frog	<i>Rana sevosa</i>	Endangered
Eastern Black Rail	<i>Laterallus jamaicensis</i>	Threatened

Gopher Tortoise	<i>Gopherus polyphemus</i>	Threatened
Piping Plover	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	Threatened
Rufa Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>	Threatened
West Indian Manatee	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>	Threatened
Alligator Snapping Turtle	<i>Macrochelys temminickii</i>	Proposed Threatened
Monarch Butterfly	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	Proposed Threatened
Tricolored Bat	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	Proposed Endangered

Pursuant to Section 7 ESA, any required consultation with the Service(s) will be conducted in accordance with 50 CFR part 402. The Corps is the lead federal agency for ESA consultation for the proposed action. Any required consultation will be completed by the Corps.

This notice serves as request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries 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 (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: Water Quality Certification may be required from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).

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.

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 not 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.

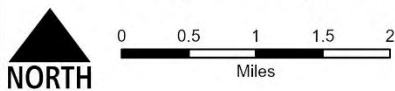
COMMENTS: The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other Interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether 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 Mobile District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until October 8, 2025. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to Sarah Piesco at sarah.m.piesco@usace.army.mil. Alternatively, you may submit comments in writing to the Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, Attention: Sarah Piesco, Post Office Box 2288 Mobile Alabama 36628. 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, and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530. 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.



FIGURE 1 Purpose: Permit Drawing
Base Map: ESRI USA Topo Maps
Source: USGS, NGS, i-cubed
Map Date: May 6, 2025



PROJECT LOCATION MAP

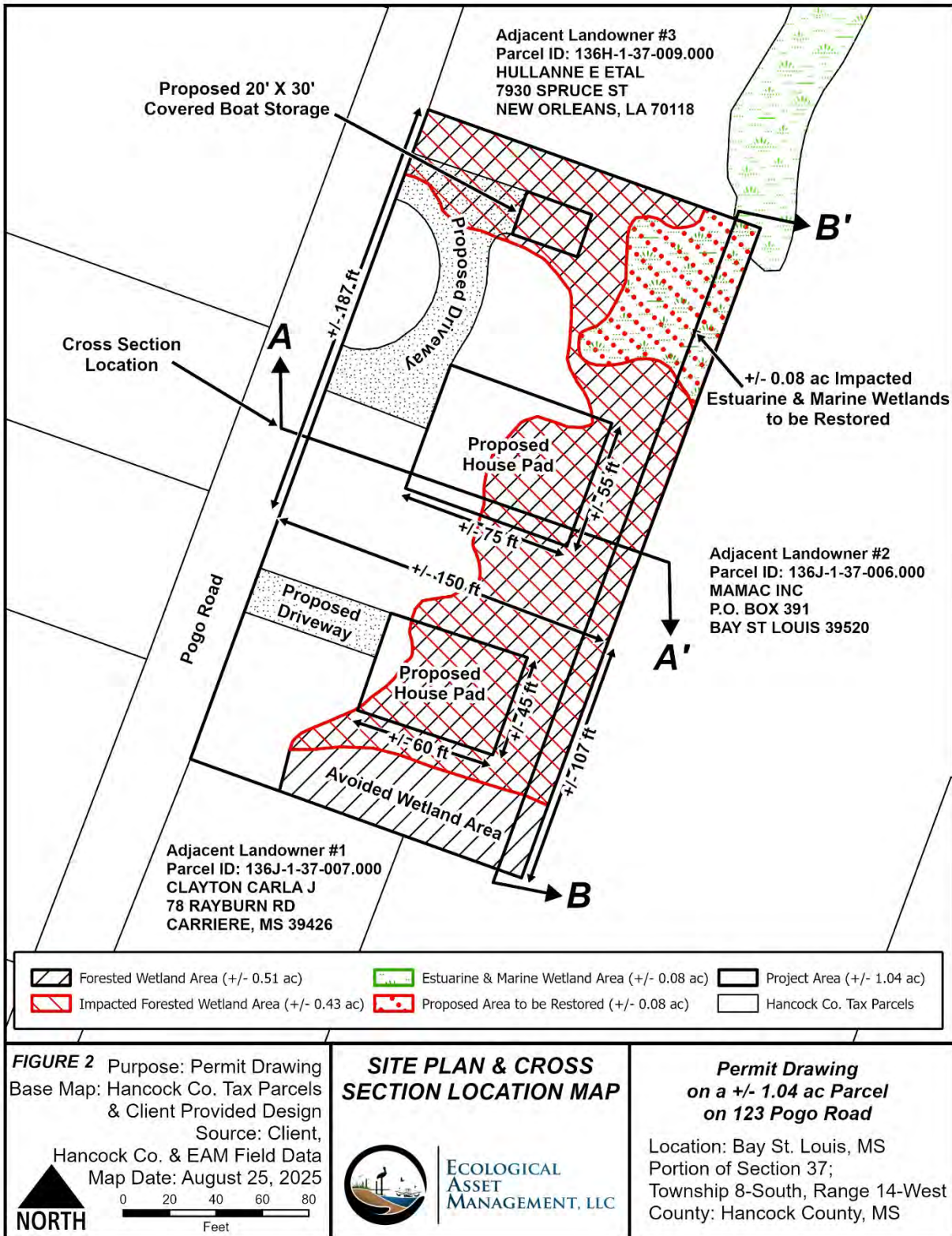


**ECOLOGICAL
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MANAGEMENT, LLC**

**Permit Drawing
on a +/- 1.04 ac Parcel
on 123 Pogo Road**

Location: Bay St. Louis
Portion of Section 37
Township 8-South, Range 14-West
County: Hancock County, MS

Figure 1. Project Location



Revised Figure 2: Site plan with lot and house pad dimensions (August 25, 2025).

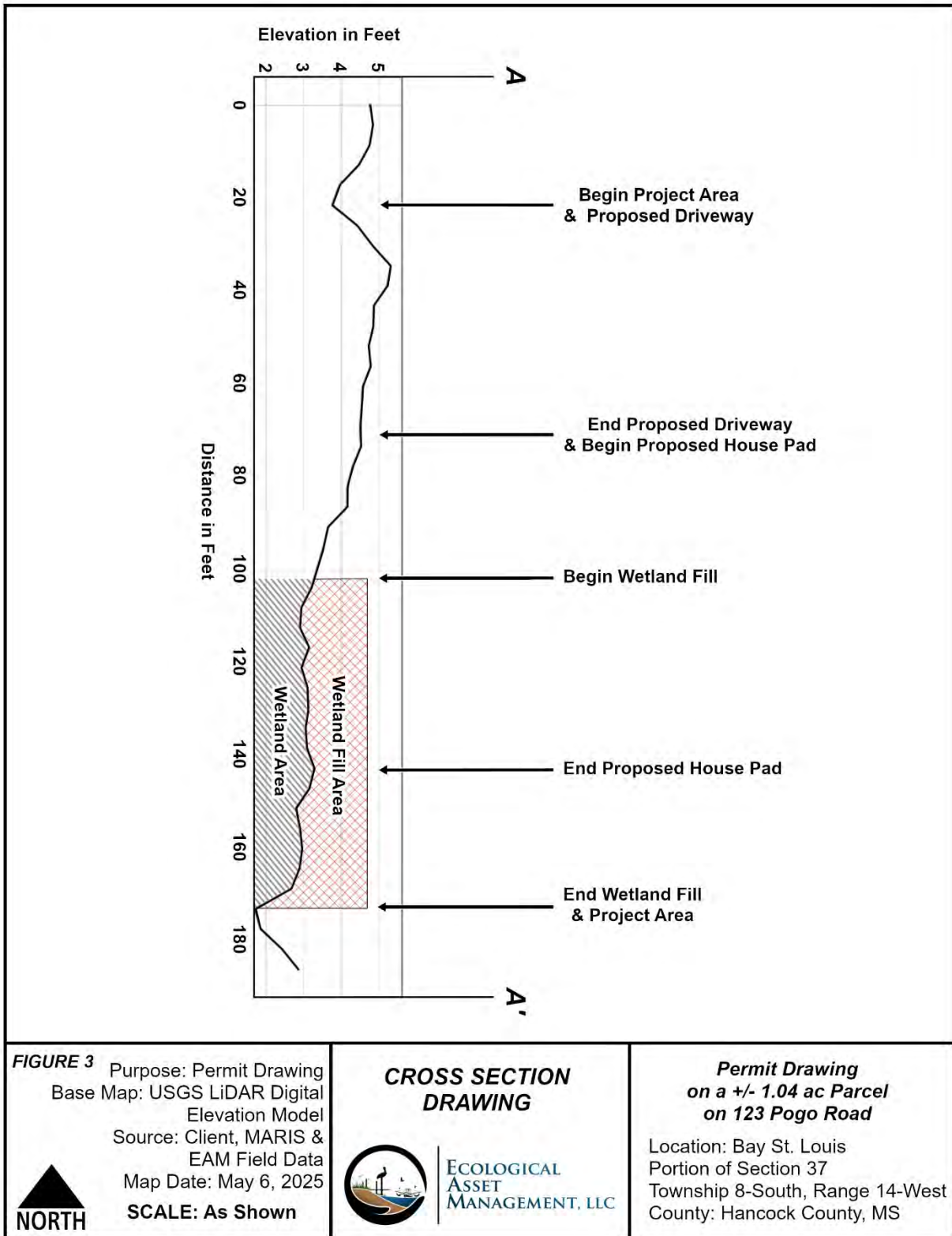


Figure 3. Typical Cross Section Drawing

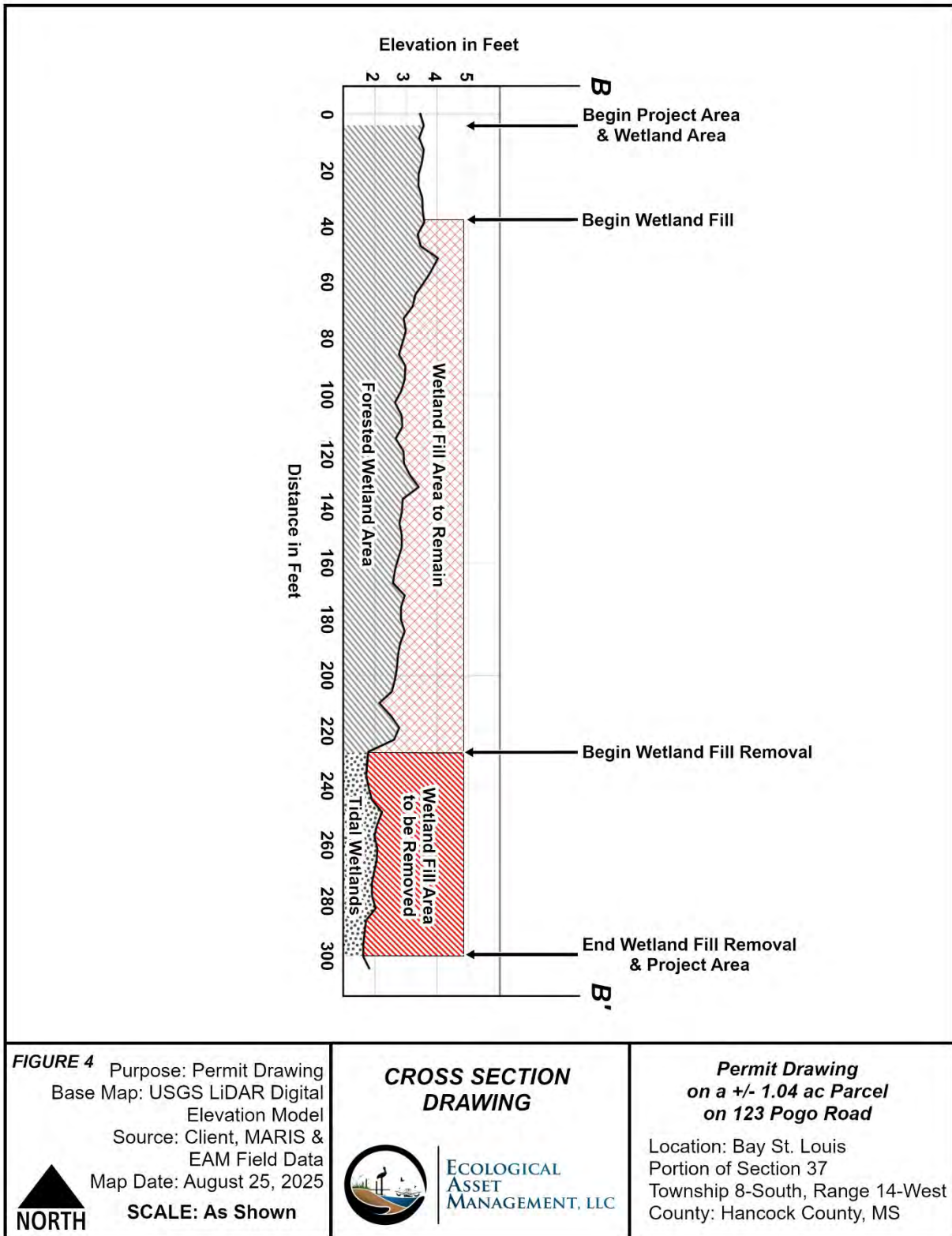


Figure 4: Profile of restoration area (August 25, 2025).