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# PUBLIC NOTICE

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Mobile District  
Permit Application  
No. SAM-2025-00303-  
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**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  
**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OFFICE OF**  
**POLLUTION CONTROL (MDEQ) AND**  
**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES (MDMR)**

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Mobile District has received an application for a Department of the Army (DA) 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 and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact on the public interest regarding the proposed activity as described below and as shown on the enclosed drawings.

**APPLICANT:** Mr. Brett Burdine  
Singing River Health Systems  
3109 Bienville Blvd.  
Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39564

**AGENT:** Mr. Dana Sanders  
Sanders Environmental LLC  
4341 Gautier Vancleave Road, Suite 4  
Gautier, Mississippi 39553

**LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY:** The proposed activity would affect waters of the United States associated with Cypress Creek. The project/review area is located on the south of Mallett Road and north of Interstate 10; in Section 11, Township 7S, Range 9W; at Latitude 30.45562° and Longitude -88.848746°; in City of Ocean Springs, Jackson County, Mississippi.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITY:** The applicant is requesting a DA permit to fill approximately 5.77 acres of jurisdictional wetlands for the construction of a medical treatment facility, associated parking, a detention pond and related infrastructure. Proposed wetland impacts include 5.38 acres of low-quality pine savanna wetlands and 0.39 acres of medium quality bottomland hardwood wetlands. The applicant states the purpose of the project is to expand healthcare services within the Singing River Health System by constructing a Phase 2 medical treatment center that would function in conjunction with the existing Phase 1 diagnostic facility.

**MITIGATION:** The applicant has provided the following information to explain how impacts to waters of the United States associated with the proposed activity are to be avoided, minimized, and compensated for. The applicant proposes to mitigate for wetland impacts through the purchase of appropriate mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank within the service area. In order to minimize wetland impacts, the project design was revised to a two-story structure. The project area contains approximately 10 acres of wetlands and 300 linear feet of intermittent stream. The project has been designed to avoid impacts to the stream entirely, as well as approximately 2.82 acres of bottomland hardwood wetlands and 3.13 acres of pine savanna wetlands. The USACE will determine the type and amount of compensatory mitigation necessary to offset losses of waters of the United States which may result from the proposed activity in accordance with 33 CFR § 332.

**HISTORIC PROPERTIES/CULTURAL RESOURCES:** Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 306108), requires Federal agencies to consult with the appropriate State and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officers to take into account the effects of actions they undertake or permit on historic properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The USACE 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.

The USACE's final eligibility and effect 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, and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the USACE-identified permit area.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (16 U.S.C. § 1536) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or that may adversely modify designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed such designation). Preliminary review of this application and the USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) indicate the following federally listed species or species proposed for listing have the potential to occur in the action area: Dusky Gopher Frog (*Rana sevosia*), Tricolored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*), the Monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), the Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys temminckii*), Black Pinesnake (*Pituophis melanoleucus lodingi*), Louisiana Quillwort (*Isoetes louisianensis*), Eastern Black Rail, (*Laterallus jamaicensis jamaicensis*), Gopher Tortoise (*Gopherus polyphemus*), Alabama Red-Bellied Turtle (*Pseudemys alabamensis*), Red-Cockaded Woodpecker (*Dryobates borealis*), and the Mississippi Sandhill Crane (*Antigone canadensis pulla*).

This notice serves as request to the USFWS 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.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** An Individual Water Quality Certification may be required from MDEQ pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341).

The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 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.

**COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT:** The applicant has applied for Coastal Zone Management (CZM) consistency from the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in accordance with the State Coastal Zone Management Program under DMR26-000108. CZM was issued by letter dated May 7, 2026.

**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 USACE jurisdiction has not been verified by USACE personnel.

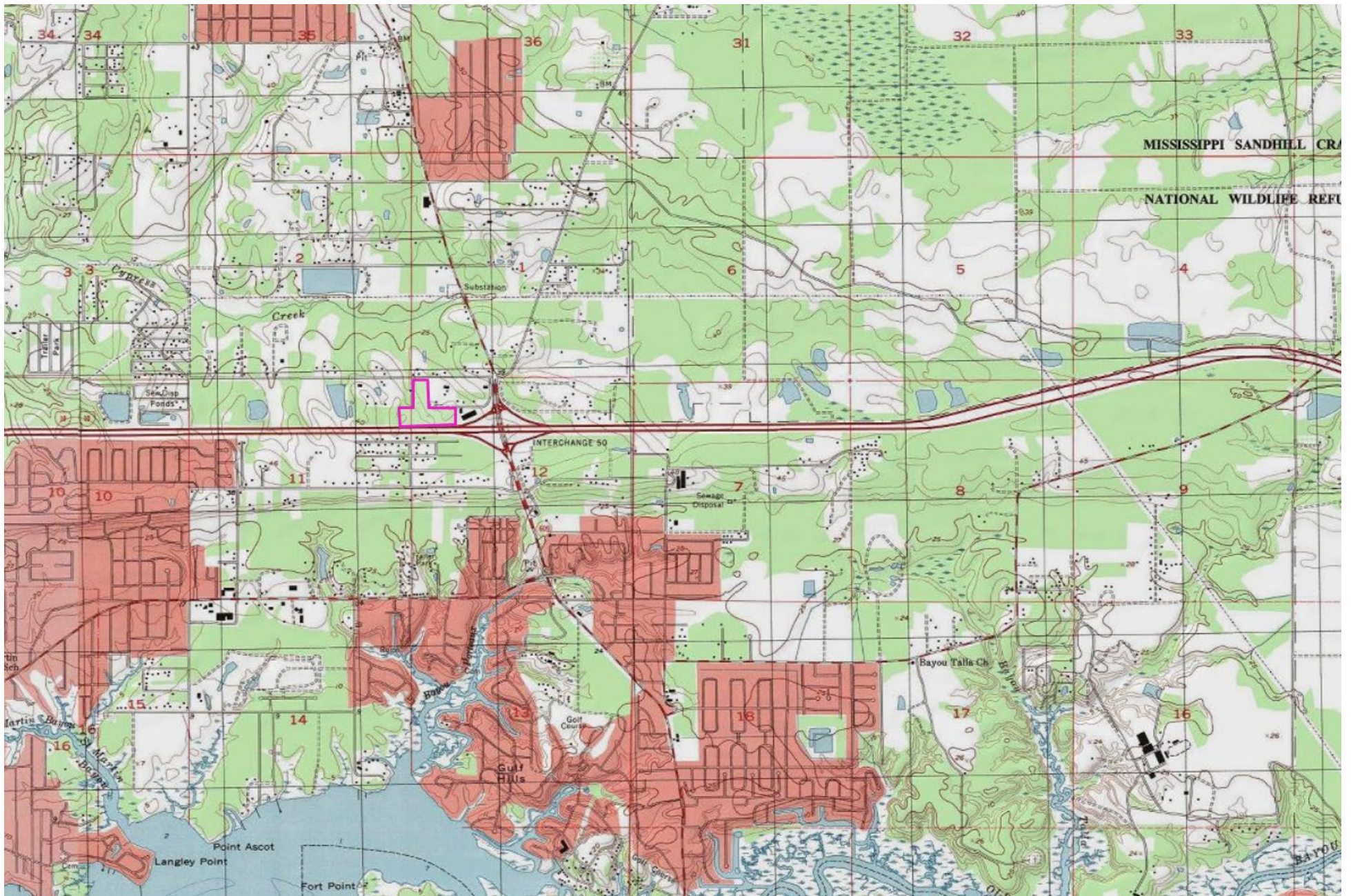
**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, 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, aesthetics, 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, Environmental Protection Agency (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.

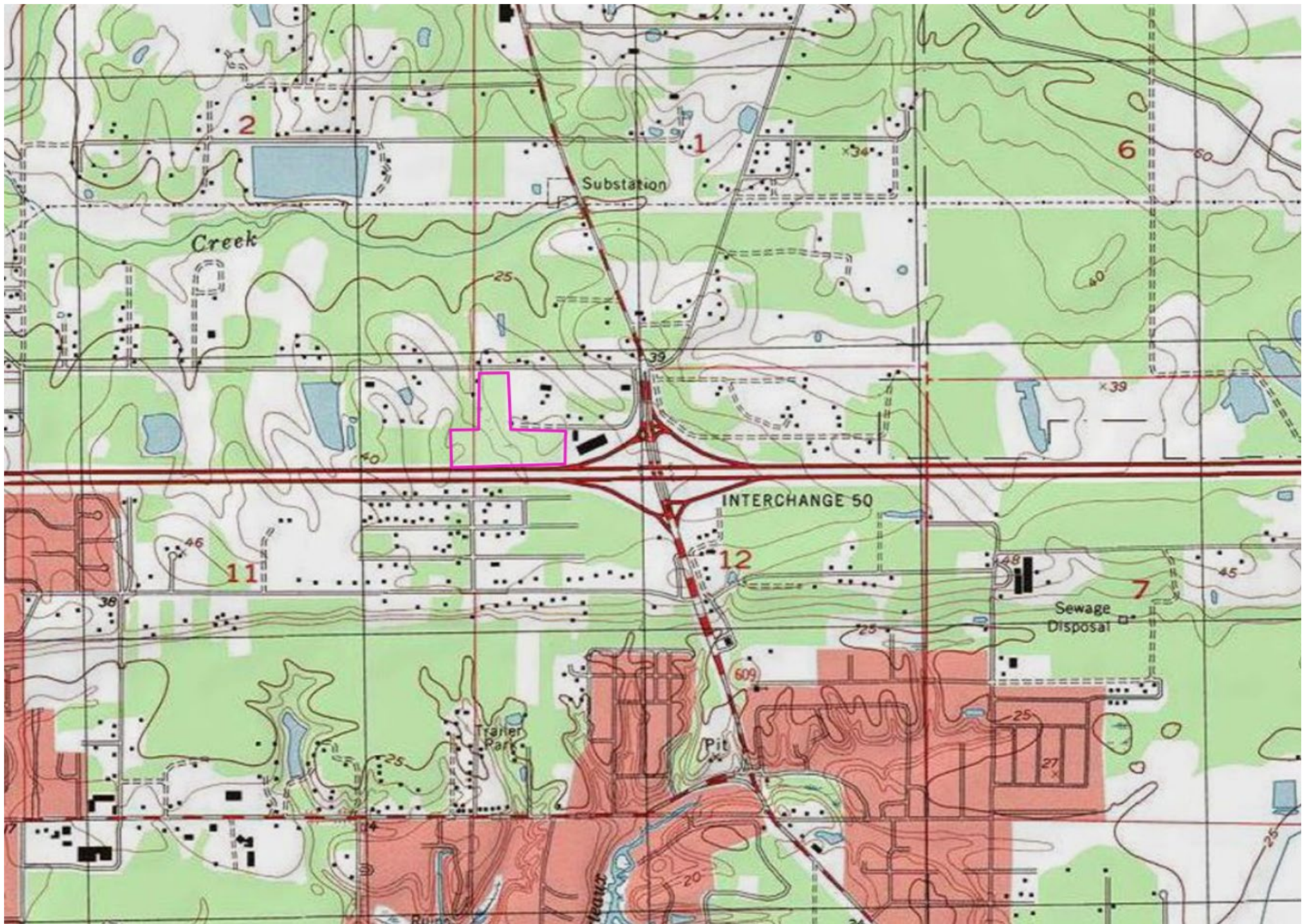
**COMMENTS:** The USACE is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Tribal Nations; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the USACE to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny

a permit for this proposed activity. 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 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 comments or objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested permit. Please note that all comments received will become part of the administrative record and are subject to public release under the Freedom of Information Act.

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.

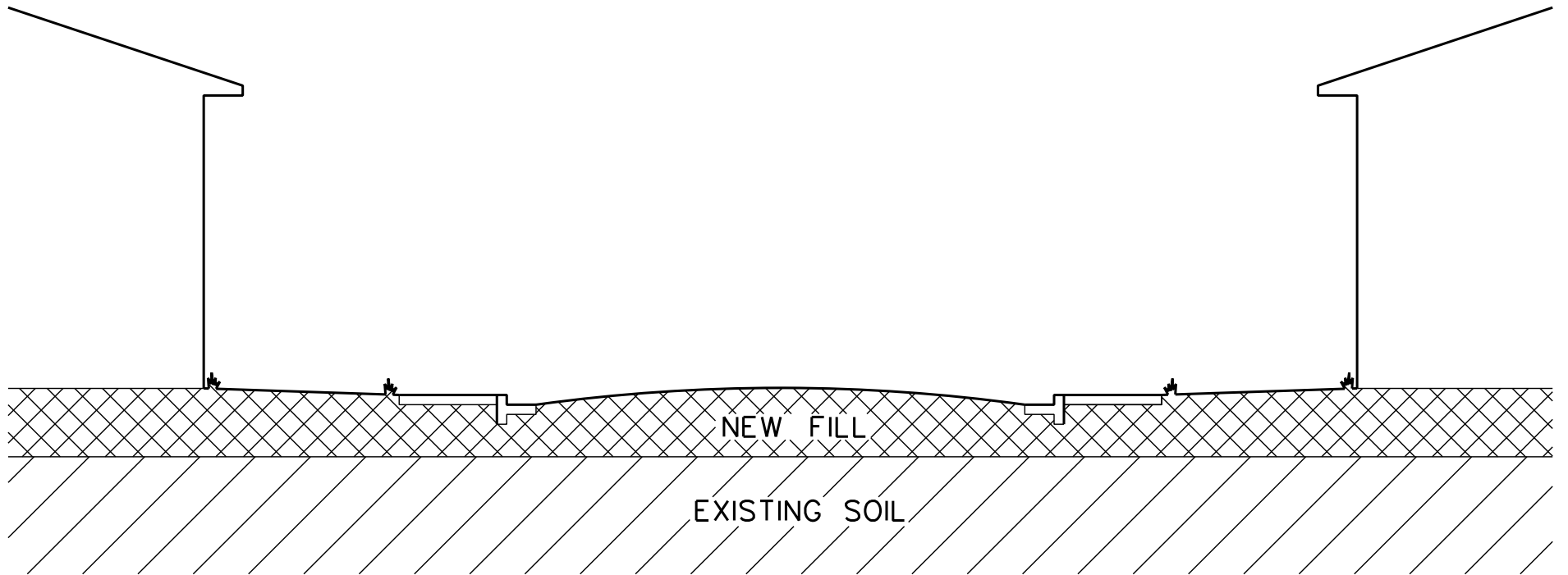
The Mobile District will receive written comments on the proposed activity, as outlined above, until June 19, 2026. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs/public-notice>. Alternatively, you may submit comments to Maryellen Farmer at [maryellen.j.farmer@usace.army.mil](mailto:maryellen.j.farmer@usace.army.mil) or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, Attention: Maryellen Farmer, 100 Canal Street Regulatory Division, Mobile, Alabama 36602. Please refer to **"SAM-2025-00303-MJF"** in your comments.



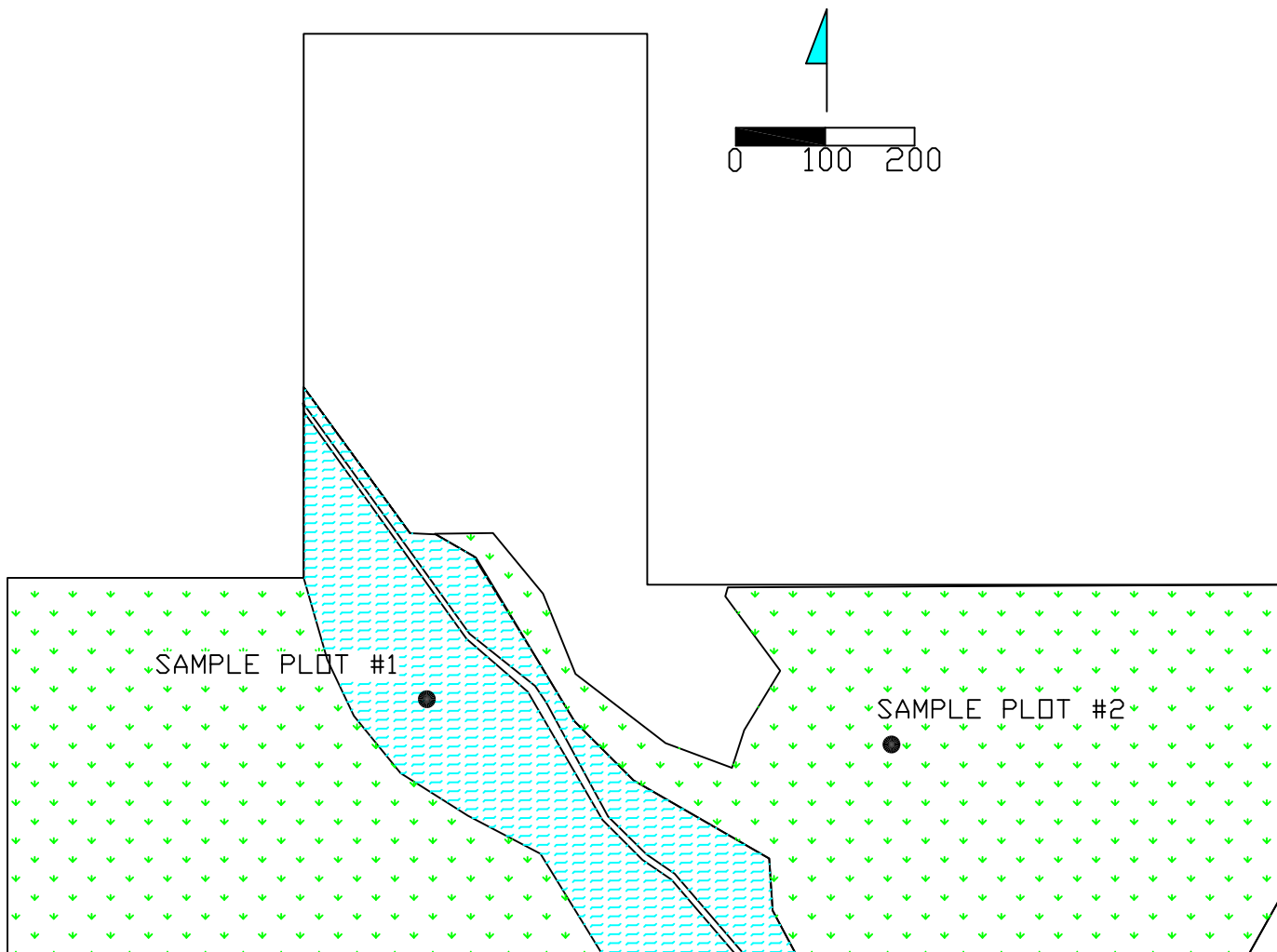



# Site Location Map - SRHS Mallet Rd





# SINGING RIVER HEALTH SYSTEMS MALLET ROAD PROJECT WETLAND DELINEATION MAP

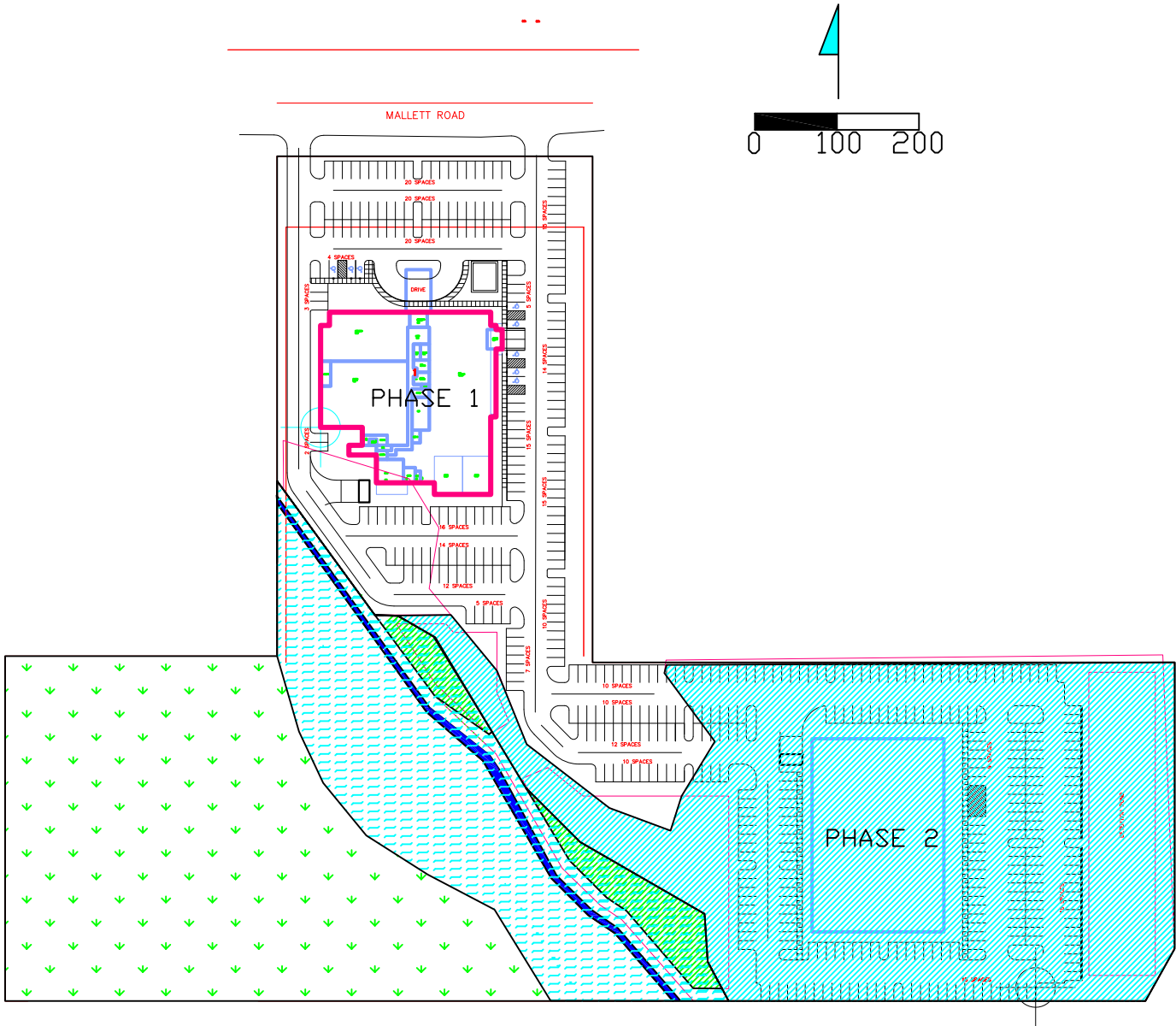


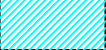

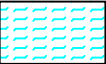
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BOTTOMLAND HARDWOOD WETLAND - 3.21 ACRES 

PINE SAVANNA WETLAND - 8.41 ACRES 

# SINGING RIVER HEALTH SYSTEMS MALLET ROAD PROJECT REVISED IMPACT MAP FOR PHASE 2



- PINE SAVANNA IMPACTS WETLAND IMPACTS - 5.38 ACRES 
- BOTTOMLAND HARDWOOD WETLAND IMPACTS - 0.39 ACRE 
- AVOIDED BOTTOMLAND HARDWOOD WETLANDS - 2.82 ACRES 
- AVOIDED PINE SAVANNA WETLAND - 3.13 ACRES 