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New England District

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

**Date: May 18, 2004**

**Comment Period Ends: June 21, 2004**

**File Number: NAE-2004-900**

**In Reply Refer To: Ms. Diane M. Ray**

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**MIAMOGUE YACHT CLUB, C/O MR. WILLIAM MILLER, COMMODORE, 144 SEAVIEW AVENUE, BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT 06607** has requested a Corps of Engineers permit under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 to perform the following work at an existing marina facility in Johnsons Creek at Bridgeport, Connecticut:

Reconfigure and expand the existing floating dock arrangement to provide a total of approximately 171 slips. The newly configured marina will consist of a main line of floats placed parallel to the shoreline leading to nine lines of floating docks with thirty-eight 20' long finger floats, thirty-three 30' long finger floats and six 40' long finger floats. The main line of floats will be accessed by a fixed pier and ramp. There will also be a fuel/transient floating dock accessed by a fixed pier and ramp. The structures will maintain a 15' setback from the Federal Channel line.

The expansion is necessary to accommodate the demand for boat slip space within the yacht club.

This project will impact approximately 134,400 square feet of sub-tidal habitat, most of which has been designated Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) for the species and life stages identified on the attached sheets. This habitat consists of sand and silt. Loss of this habitat may adversely affect those species listed on the attached table. However, the District Engineer has made a preliminary determination that the site-specific adverse effect will not be substantial. Further consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service regarding EFH conservation recommendations is being conducted and will be concluded prior to the final decision.

This project is located on the USGS Bridgeport quadrangle sheet at UTM coordinates 4558814 N and 653872 E.

In order to properly evaluate the proposal, we are seeking public comment. Anyone wishing to comment is encouraged to do so. Comments should be submitted in writing by the above date. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Diane M. Ray at (978) 318-8831, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

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 a public hearing shall specifically state the reasons for holding a public hearing. The Corps holds public hearings for the purpose of obtaining public comments when that is the best means for understanding a wide variety of concerns from a diverse segment of the public.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR  
DETAILS OF EVALUATION  
FACTORS

Robert J. DeSista  
Chief, Permits & Enforcement Branch  
Regulatory Division

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact 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 may reasonably 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, cultural value, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain value, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

Where the activity involves the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States or the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposing it in ocean waters, the evaluation of the impact of the activity in the public interest will also 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, and/or Section 103 of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 as amended.

Based on his initial review, the District Engineer has determined that little likelihood exists for the proposed work to impinge upon properties with cultural or Native American significance, or listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, no further consideration of the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, is necessary. This determination is based upon one or more of the following:

- a. The permit area has been extensively modified by previous work.
- b. The permit area has been recently created.
- c. The proposed activity is of limited nature and scope.
- d. Review of the latest published version of the National Register shows that no presence of registered properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein are in the permit area or general vicinity.
- e. Coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s)

Pursuant to the Endangered Species Act, the District Engineer is hereby requesting that the appropriate Federal Agency provide comments regarding the presence of and potential impacts to listed species or its critical habitat.

The following authorizations have been applied for, or have been, or will be obtained:

- Permit, License or Assent from State.
- Permit from Local Wetland Agency or Conservation Commission.
- Water Quality Certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

The States of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island have approved Coastal Zone Management Programs. Where applicable the applicant states that any proposed activity will comply with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the approved Coastal Zone Management Program. By this Public Notice, we are requesting the State concurrence or objection to the applicant's consistency statement.

The initial determinations made herein will be reviewed in light of facts submitted in response to this notice. All comments will be considered a matter of public record. Copies of letters of objection will be forwarded to the applicant who will normally be requested to contact objectors directly in an effort to reach an understanding.

**THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.**

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## Summary of Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Designation

### 10' x 10' Square Coordinates:

Boundary	North	East	South	West
Coordinate	41° 10.0' N	73° 00.0' W	41° 00.0' N	73° 10.0' W

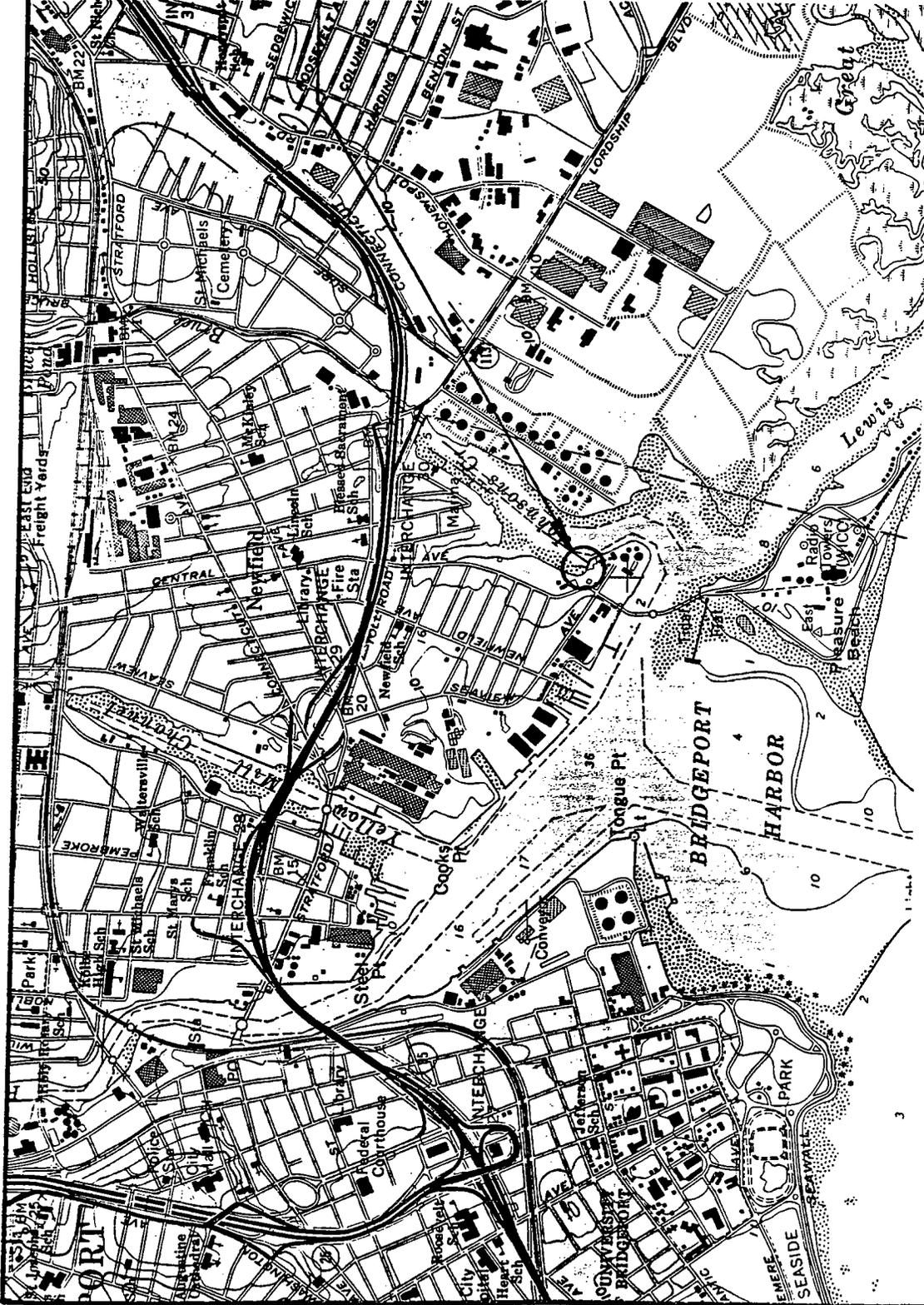
**Square Description (i.e. habitat, landmarks, coastline markers):** The waters within the square include the tidal and subtidal areas of Long Island Sound in and adjacent to Bridgeport Harbor, Bridgeport Connecticut.

Species	Eggs	Larvae	Juveniles	Adults
Atlantic salmon ( <i>Salmo salar</i> )			X	X
Pollock ( <i>Pollachius virens</i> )			X	X
Whiting ( <i>Merluccius bilinearis</i> )				X
red hake ( <i>Urophycis chuss</i> )	X	X	X	X
redfish ( <i>Sebastes fasciatus</i> )	n/a			
winter flounder ( <i>Pseudopleuronectes americanus</i> )	X	X	X	X
windowpane flounder ( <i>Scopthalmus aquosus</i> )	X	X	X	X
American plaice ( <i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i> )			X	X
Atlantic sea herring ( <i>Clupea harengus</i> )			X	X
bluefish ( <i>Pomatomus saltatrix</i> )			X	X
long finned squid ( <i>Loligo pealei</i> )	n/a	n/a		
short finned squid ( <i>Illex illecebrosus</i> )	n/a	n/a		
Atlantic butterfish ( <i>Peprilus triacanthus</i> )		X	X	X

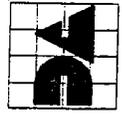
Atlantic mackerel ( <i>Scomber scombrus</i> )	X	X	X	X
summer flounder ( <i>Paralichthys dentatus</i> )		X	X	X
scup ( <i>Stenotomus chrysops</i> )	X	X	X	X
black sea bass ( <i>Centropristus striata</i> )	n/a		X	X
surf clam ( <i>Spisula solidissima</i> )	n/a	n/a		
ocean quahog ( <i>Artica islandica</i> )	n/a	n/a		
spiny dogfish ( <i>Squalus acanthias</i> )	n/a	n/a		
king mackerel ( <i>Scomberomorus cavalla</i> )	X	X	X	X
Spanish mackerel ( <i>Scomberomorus maculatus</i> )	X	X	X	X
cobia ( <i>Rachycentron canadum</i> )	X	X	X	X
sand tiger shark ( <i>Odontaspis taurus</i> )		X	X	
little skate ( <i>Leucoraja erinacea</i> )			X	X
Winter skate ( <i>Leucoraja ocellata</i> )			X	X



PROJECT LOCATION



# LOCATOR MAP



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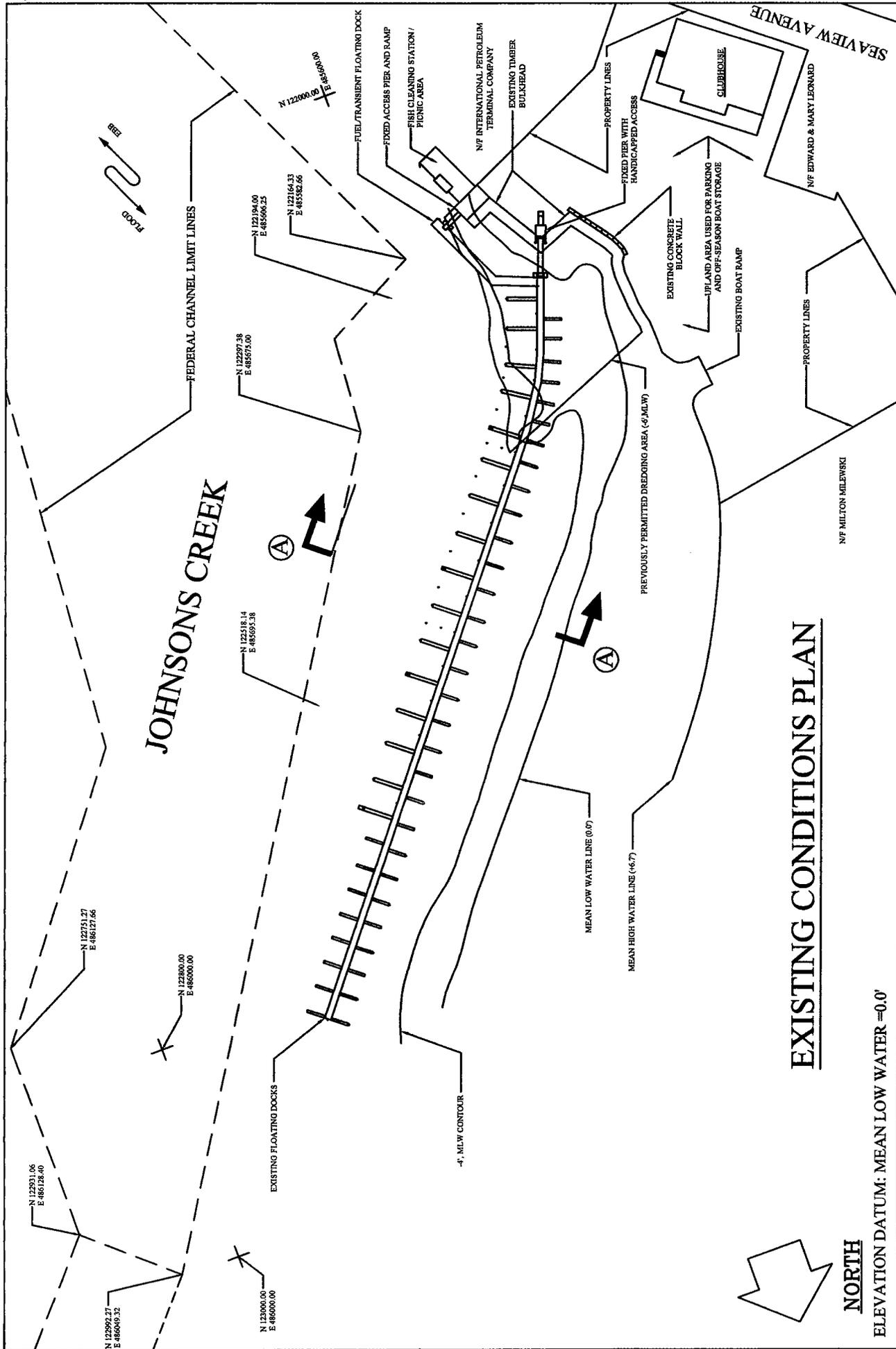
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PROPOSED FLOATING DOCK RECONFIGURATION

MIAMOGUE YACHT CLUB  
BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

DATE: 5 07/2002

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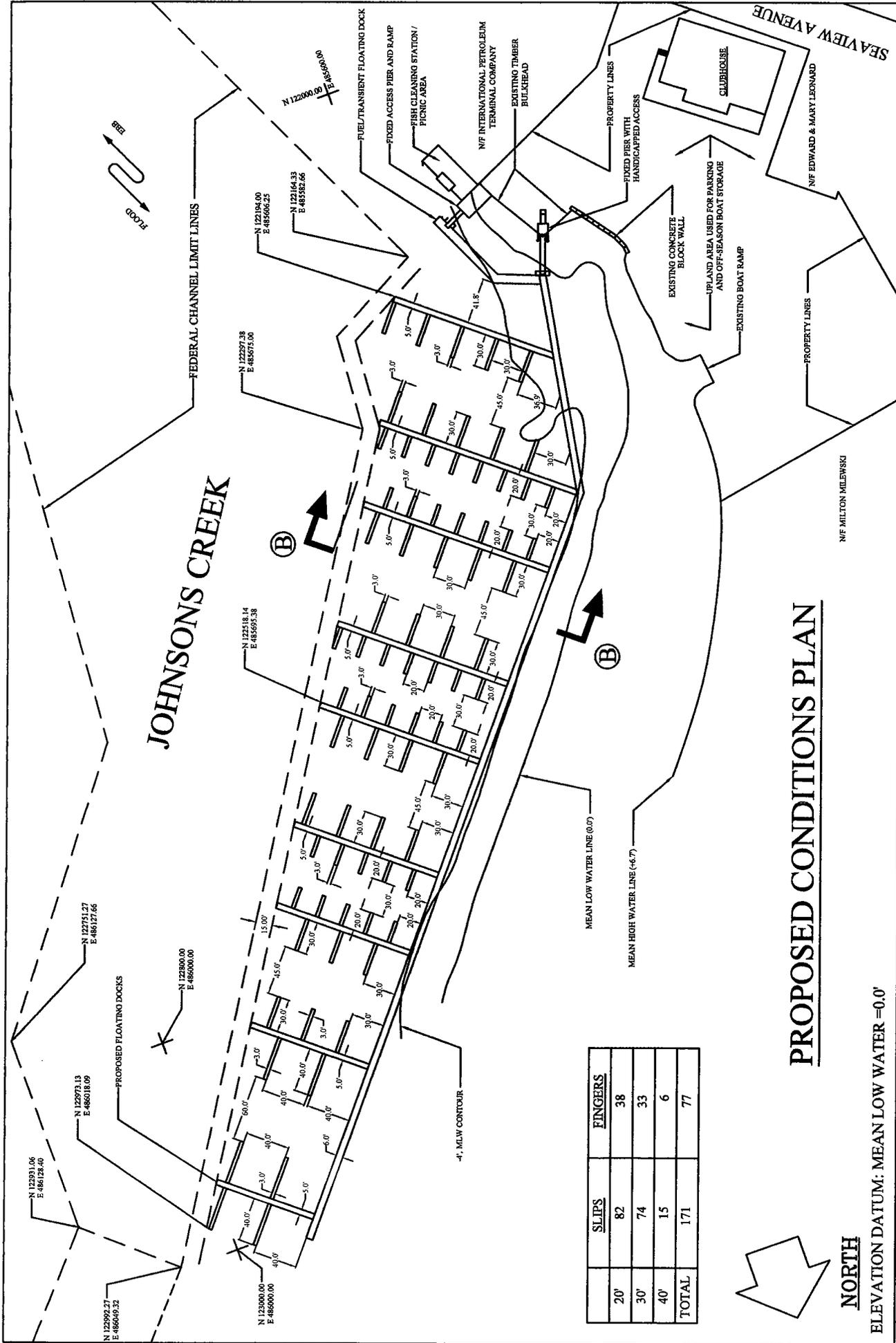


# EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN

**NORTH**

ELEVATION DATUM: MEAN LOW WATER = 0.0'

		<b>MIAMOGUE YACHT CLUB</b> <b>PROPOSED CONDITIONS PLAN</b>		DATE 6-02-2002 DWG NO. MYC-21	
241 Main Street Ansonia, Connecticut 06401 Office: 203-758-1482 Fax: 203-758-1483		JOHNSONS CREEK, BRIDGEPORT HARBOR BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT			
<b>GRAPHIC SCALE</b> 0 30 60 120 FT.		DRAKE ASSOCIATES, INC. The Underwater Authority®		N/F EDWARD & MARY LEONARD	
ISS. BY J. DRAKE DWN. BY J. DRAKE CKE. BY C. DRAKE PROJ. ENGR. [ ] CAP. TMR. G. O'NEILL/MIAMOGUE DRESS/VERT/VER		PREVIOUSLY PERMITTED DREDGING AREA (6' MLW)		N/F MILTON MILEWSKI	
<b>REVISIONS</b>		FEDERAL CHANNEL LIMIT LINES		N/F INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM TERMINAL COMPANY EXISTING TIMBER BULKHEAD	
No.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL	EXISTING FLOATING DOCKS -4' MLW CONTOUR MEAN LOW WATER LINE (0.0') MEAN HIGH WATER LINE (+6.7')	
2	4/20/04	6' & 8' ANCHORAGE DELIMITATION		EXISTING CONCRETE BLOCK WALL UPLAND AREA USED FOR PARKING AND OFF-SEASON BOAT STORAGE EXISTING BOAT RAMP	
1	12/10/03	15' SETBACK RECONFIGURATION		FUEL/TRANSIENT FLOATING DOCK FIXED ACCESS PIER AND RAMP FISH CLEANING STATION / PICNIC AREA	



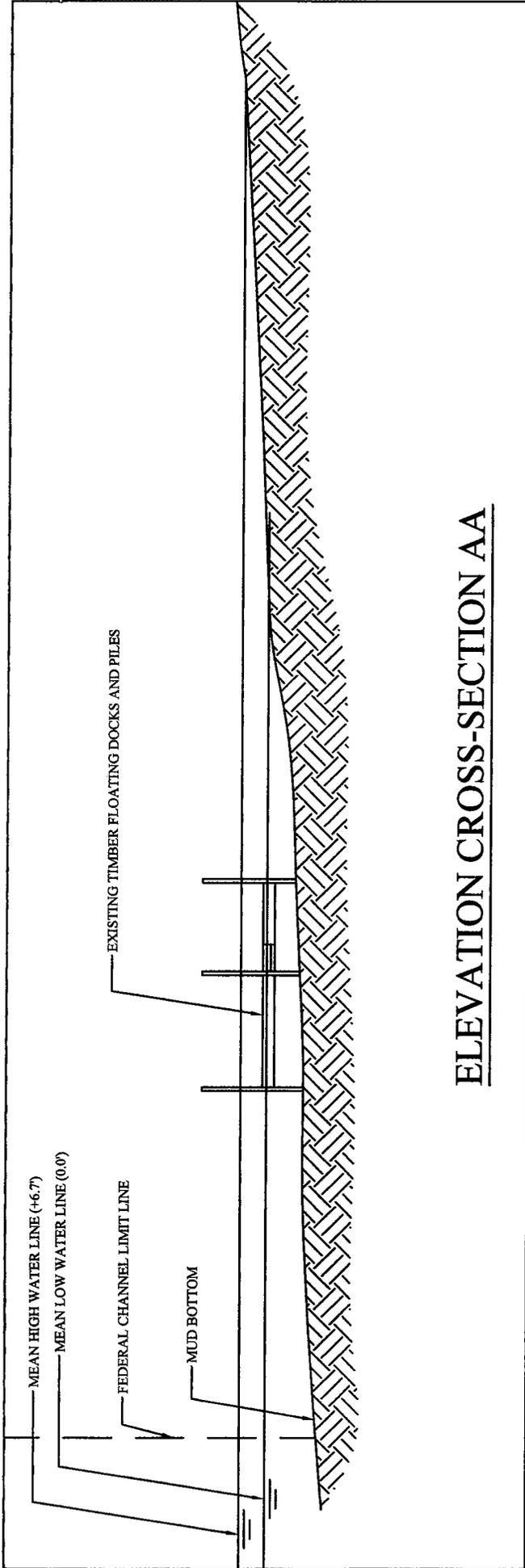
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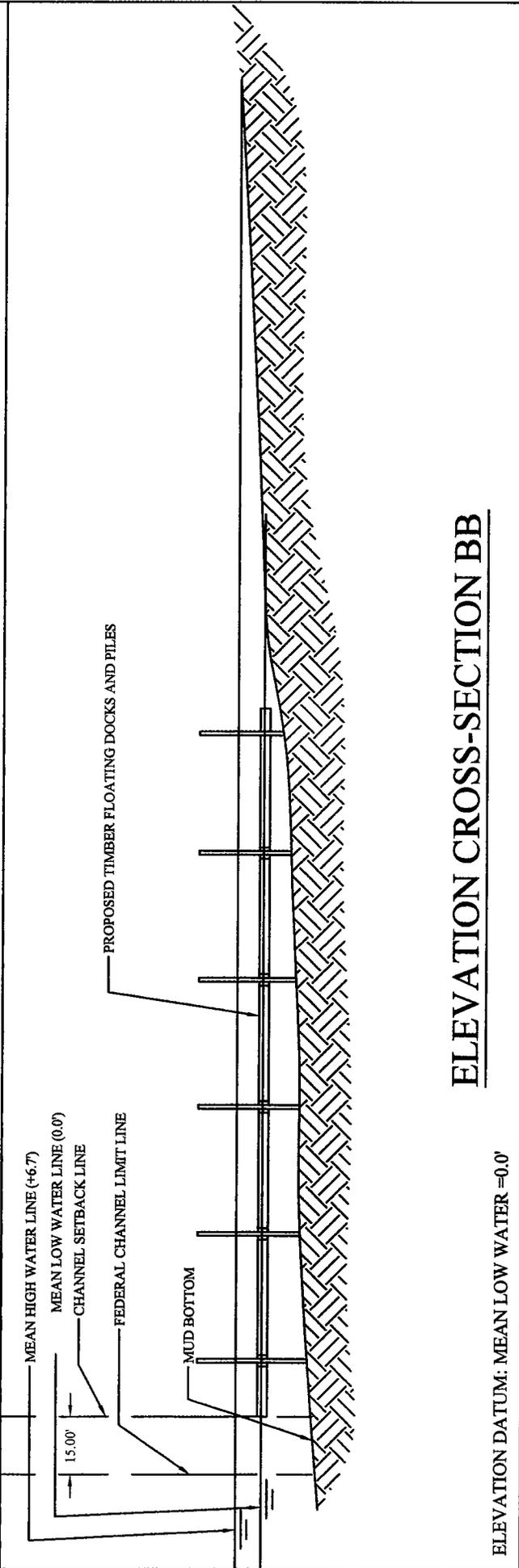
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SLIPS	FINGERS
20'	82
30'	74
40'	15
TOTAL	171
	77

<b>MIAMOGUE YACHT CLUB</b> <b>PROPOSED CONDITIONS PLAN</b> JOHNSONS CREEK, BRIDGEPORT HARBOR BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT		DATE <b>5-02-2002</b> DWG NO. <b>MYC-28</b>	
<b>DRAKE ASSOCIATES, INC.</b> <i>The Underwater Authority®</i> 241 Main Street Ansonia, Connecticut 06401 Office: 803-796-1482 Fax: 803-796-1468		 <b>GRAPHIC SCALE</b> 0 30 60 120 FT.	
DES. BY J. DRAKE DWN. BY J. DRAKE CKB. BY C. DRAKE PROJ. ENG. _____ CUD YAC CLUB'S AMERICAN MANHOLE DRESSING YARD			
<b>REVISIONS</b>			
NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL
1	12/15/03	10' EXTRACTS RECONFIGURATION	
2	1/20/04	6' & 8' ANCHORAGE DELETION	



### ELEVATION CROSS-SECTION AA



### ELEVATION CROSS-SECTION BB

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