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# PUBLIC NOTICE

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Applicant:  
Lane Gould -  
Maine Bureau of General  
Services

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**New England District  
Permit Application No. NAE-1991-01909**

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:** The New England 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). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

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**AGENT:** Brian Pierce  
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**WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** The project would affect waters of the United States (WOTUS) associated with Judkins Brook and Pushaw Stream which are tributaries of the Penobscot River. The project/review area is located at 2828 Bennoch Road in Alton, Maine, Penobscot County (44.9816827, -68.7249775).

**EXISTING CONDITIONS:** The 780-acre parcel, owned by the State of Maine, is currently permitted for a 122-acre landfill. The site was originally permitted to fill 8.84-acres of wetlands in 1993 for the construction of a 68-acre landfill with a disposal capacity of 3.3 million cubic yards (MCY). In 2017, the site was permitted to fill another 2.04-acres of wetlands and clear 0.10 forested wetlands for the 54-acre expansion of Juniper Ridge landfill with the disposal capacity of 9.35 MCY.

**PROJECT PURPOSE:**

**Basic:** Solid Waste Disposal

**Overall:** We have preliminarily determined the overall project purpose is to provide at least 11.9 MCY of additional solid waste disposal capacity for the State of Maine by 2028.

**PROPOSED WORK:** The applicant requests authorization to fill 163,362 square feet (FT.) (3.75-acres) of emergent and forested wetlands for the expansion of Juniper Ridge Landfill to continue to accept solid waste located at 2828 Bennoch Road in Alton, Maine. The applicant proposes to expand the existing landfill, which would involve five new cells to be constructed overtime based on need (approximately one cell every two years).

**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 project has been designed to avoid and minimize impacts to WOTUS through the use of existing site infrastructure, such as leachate storage tank, landfill gas treatment, Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) plant, and landfill gas flares. Additional site access roads and stormwater management ponds are proposed in uplands to avoid impacts to WOTUS to the maximum extent possible. However, the footprint of the landfill could not completely avoid wetlands with the siting and size requirements as many of the physical characteristics that make a site suitable for a landfill also tend to make suitable for wetlands. To avoid impacts, there are procedures in places to reduce the overall volume of waste before coming to the landfill to minimize the footprint of the proposed landfill, such as Maine's solid waste management hierarchy of reuse, recycling, composting, processing, and incineration to the maximum extent practicable. Any waste at the landfill is then further minimized to attempt to minimize the overall volume of waste; for example, construction debris fines are used for daily cover.

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:** The applicant offered the following compensatory mitigation plan to offset unavoidable functional loss to the aquatic environment: Federal mitigation requirements are expected to be met through the Maine In-lieu fee (ILF) program.

#### **CULTURAL RESOURCES:**

The Corps evaluated the undertaking pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) utilizing its existing program-specific regulations and procedures along with 36 CFR Part 800. The Corps' program-specific procedures include 33 CFR 325, Appendix C, and revised interim guidance issued in 2005 and 2007, respectively. The District Engineer consulted district files and records and the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places and initially determines that:

No historic properties (i.e., properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places) are present within the Corps' permit area; therefore, there will be no historic properties affected. The Corps subsequently requests concurrence from the SHPO and/or THPO.

No resources listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places are known to be present in the vicinity of the proposed work; however, the permit area has not been formally surveyed for the presence of cultural resources. Additional work may be necessary to identify and assess any cultural resources that may be present.

This notice serves as a request to SHPO, THPO, and/or other interested parties to provide any information they may have regarding historic properties.

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) to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as the proposed and final designated critical habitat may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project may affect species and critical habitat listed below. No other ESA-listed species or critical habitat will be affected by the proposed action.

Species Common Name and/or Critical Habitat Name	Scientific Name	Federal Status
Northern long-eared bat	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Endangered
Atlantic Salmon and its critical habitat	<i>Salmo salar</i>	Endangered
Tricolored Bat	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	Proposed Endangered
Monarch butterfly	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	Proposed Threatened

Pursuant to Section 7 ESA, any required consultation with the Service will be conducted in accordance with 50 CFR part 402.

This notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife 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.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:** Pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996, the Corps reviewed the project area, examined information provided by the applicant, and consulted available species information. The existing landfill is approximately 3.5 miles from the Penobscot River which is Atlantic Salmon essential fish habitat.

The Corps will initiate Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation separately from this public notice if required. A separate EFH consultation package will be sent to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) if required. The Corps will not make a permit decision until the consultation process is complete if required.

**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 of 1899 (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 will be required from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

**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 New England District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until February 20, 2026. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to Amanda Sayles at [amanda.l.sayles@usace.army.mil](mailto:amanda.l.sayles@usace.army.mil). Alternatively, you may submit comments in writing to the Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, Attention: [cenae-r-me@usace.army.mil](mailto:cenae-r-me@usace.army.mil). Please refer to the permit application number (NAE-1991-01909) 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.

**NOTE: THIS IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO WORK.**

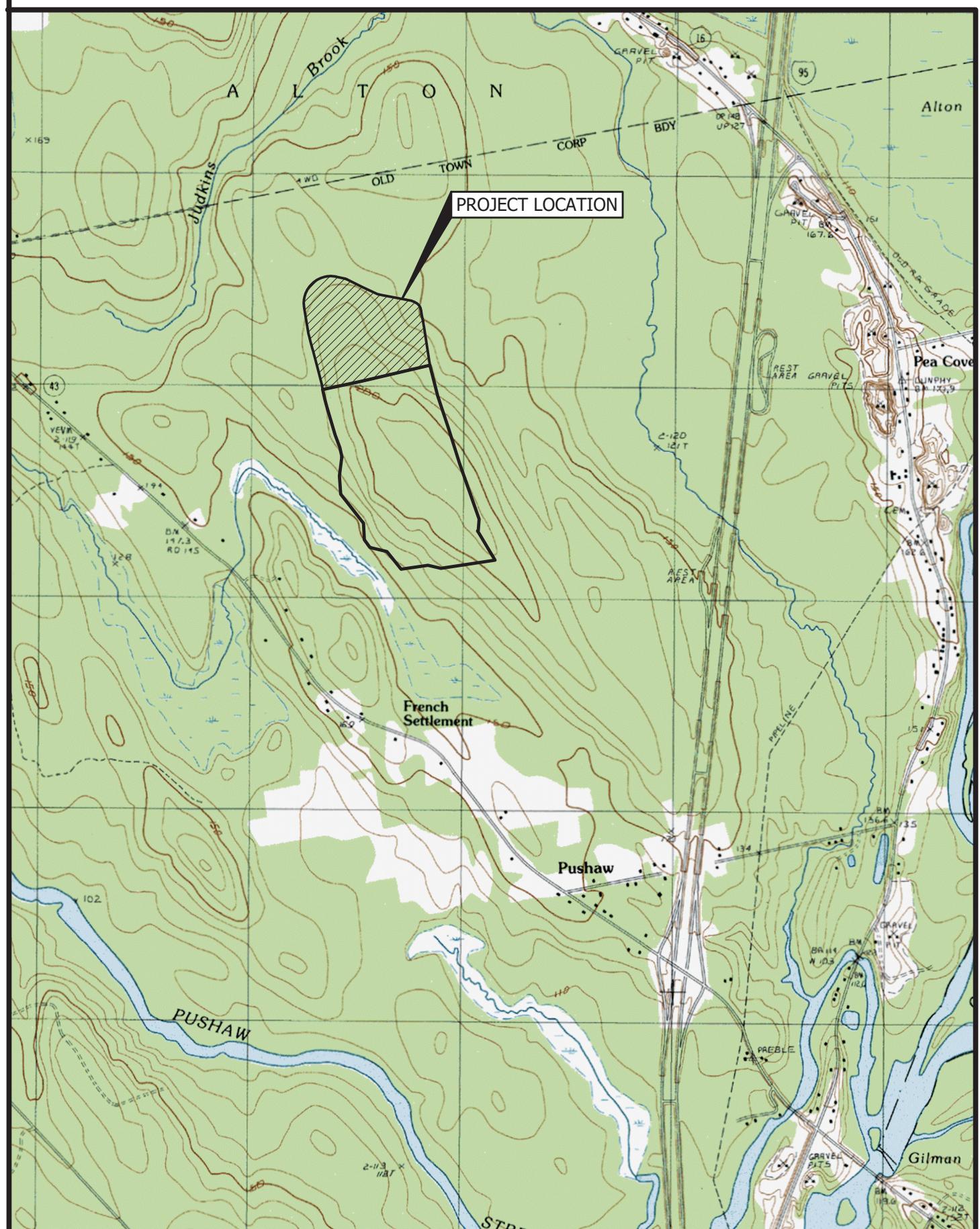
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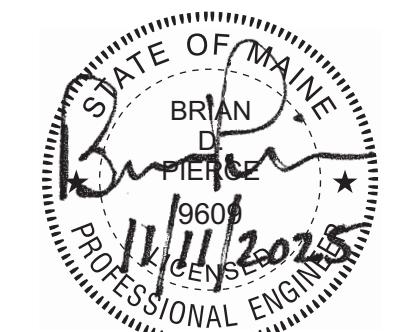
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## LOCATION MAP



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## SYMBOLS

EXISTING	PROPOSED	EXISTING	PROPOSED	EXISTING	PROPOSED
	NORTH ARROW (GRID)				G G UNDERGROUND GAS MAIN
					UCC UCC UNDERGROUND COMMUNICATIONS LINE
25	INV 25.56				UGE UGE UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL LINE
					OHE OHE OVERHEAD ELECTRICAL LINE
					SS SS SANITARY SEWER
					FM FM FORCE MAIN
					W W WATER MAIN
					SD SD STORM DRAIN
					UD UD UNDERDRAIN
					LFG LFG LANDFILL GAS
					LT LT LEACHATE TRANSPORT
					LC LC LEACHATE COLLECTION
					LD LD LEAK DETECTION
					GC GC GAS COLLECTION
					GT GT GAS TRANSPORT
					TP-12 TP-12 REDUCER
					SW-12 SW-12 SURFACE WATER SAMPLE LOCATION
					KO KO LFG KNOCKOUT
					● ● GAS WELL HEAD
					○ ○ GAS VENT CAPPED
					○ ○ CLEANOUT STRUCTURE
					○ ○ MANHOLE
					○ ○ CATCH BASIN
					● ● LIGHT POLE

### GENERAL NOTES

1. BASE MAP PREPARED BY AERIAL SURVEY & PHOTO INC., NORRIDGEWOOD, MAINE. PHOTO DATE 5/21/2024. CONTROL POINTS BASED ON SURVEY BY PLIGSA & DAY LAND SURVEYORS OF BANGOR, MAINE, ON APRIL 24, 2025. VERTICAL DATUM: ASSUMED. SUBTRACT 0.34 FEET FROM ELEVATIONS LISTED TO CONVERT ELEVATIONS TO NAVD88. HORIZONTAL DATUM: MAINE STATE COORDINATES EAST ZONE NAD 83. GROUND CONTROL BY SEVEE & MAHER ENGINEERS, INC., CUMBERLAND, MAINE.

### SITE CONTROL POINTS INFORMATION:

POINT #	NORTHING	EASTING	ELEVATION (FT)	DESCRIPTION
1000	478242.06	925376.38	167.99	WET WELL-PLUG
1001	477837.90	925672.66	160.12	MH13-PK
1002	479259.38	925158.27	185.65	LEDGE-PK
1003	479589.83	925157.64	205.01	MH30-PK
1004	479820.27	925097.15	205.01	MH33-PK
1006	478246.50	925365.28	167.62	VALVE PIT-PK
1007	477451.45	926203.11	165.62	MH14-PK
1010	480071.86	926904.09	206.29	MH26-PK
1011	479669.08	927037.61	215.20	MH25-PK
1012	478065.49	927548.96	216.94	MH22-PK
1013	477534.13	927485.35	203.30	MH19-PK
1014	480638.39	926747.66	185.91	MH27-PK

2. LOCATIONS OF EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES INCLUDING ELECTRICAL AND PIPING BASED ON FIELD SURVEY DURING CONSTRUCTION OF CELLS 1 THROUGH 16, FORMER LEACHATE POND AND LANDFILL GAS HEADER AND FLARE RE-LOCATIONS.

3. WETLAND BOUNDARIES DELINEATED BY WOODLOT ALTERNATIVES, INC. IN 2004, STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES 2008, 2014, AND 2015, AND BRI ENVIRONMENTAL IN 2024.

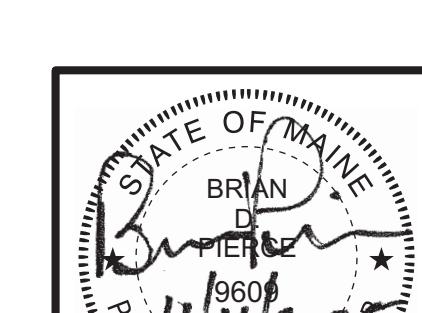
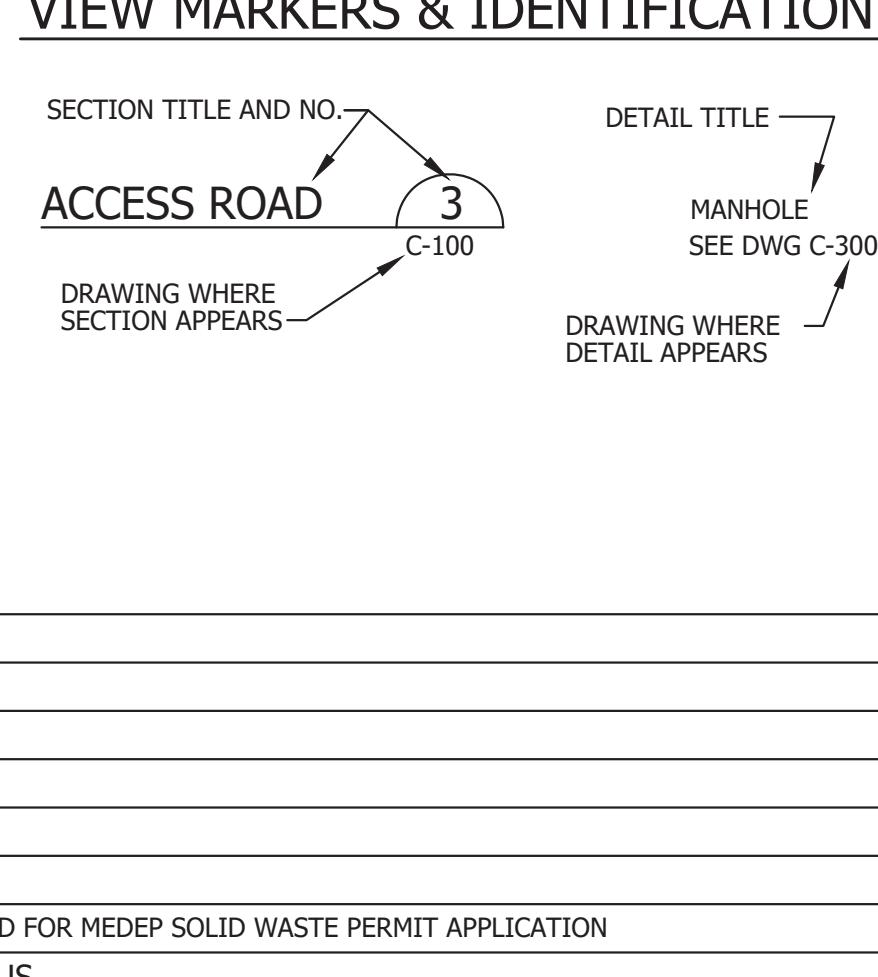
4. GRADES SHOWN WITHIN THE PERMITTED SOLID WASTE BOUNDARY REPRESENT ANTICIPATED GRADING AT THE BEGINNING OF PHASE II EXPANSION (CELL 18) CONSTRUCTION.

5. LIMIT OF INTERMEDIATE GEOMEMBRANE COVER AND FINAL COVER SHOWN REPRESENTS ANTICIPATED SITE CONDITIONS AT THE BEGINNING OF PHASE II EXPANSION (CELL 18) CONSTRUCTION.

### TYPICAL ABBREVIATIONS:

ACCP	ASPHALT COATED CMP	CF	CUBIC FEET	EOP	EDGE OF PAVEMENT	ID	INSIDE DIAMETER	PC	POINT OF CURVE	TAN	TANGENT
ACP	ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPE	CFS	CUBIC FEET PER SECOND	EQUIP	EQUIPMENT	IN	INCHES	PD	PERIMETER DRAIN	TDH	TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD
AC	ACRE	CI	CAST IRON	EST	ESTIMATED	INV	INVERT	PI	POINT OF INTERSECTION	TEMP	TEMPORARY
AGG	AGGREGATE	CL	CLASS	EXC	EXCAVATE	EL	INVERT ELEVATION	PIV	POST INDICATOR VALVE	TYP	TYPICAL
ALUM	ALUMINUM	CONC	CONCRETE	EXIST	EXISTING	LB	POUND	PERF	PERFORATED	UD	UNDERDRAIN
APPD	APPROVED	CONST	CONSTRUCTION	CONTR	CONTRACTOR	FI	FIELD INLET	PP	POWER POLE	V	VOLTS
APPROX	APPROXIMATE	CS	CURB STOP	CS	CURB STOP	FG	FINISH GRADE	PSI	POUNDS PER SQUARE INCH	VA TEE	VALVE ANCHORING TEE
ARMH	AIR RELEASE MANHOLE	CTR	CENTER	FBRL	FIBERGLASS	FDN	FOUNDATION	PVC	POLYVINYL CHLORIDE	VERT	VERTICAL
ASB	ASBESTOS	CU	COPPER	FDN	FOUNDATION	FL	FLEXIBLE	PVMT	PAVEMENT	VGC	VERTICAL GRANITE CURB
ASP	ASPHALT	CY	CUBIC YARD	FLEX	FLEXIBLE	FLG	FLANGE	QTY	QUANTITY	WG	WATER GATE
AUTO	AUTOMATIC	DY	DEGREE OF CURVE	FLR	FLOOR	FLS	FLANGE	RCP	REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE	W/	WITH
AUX	AUXILIARY	DBL	DOUBLE	FPS	FEET PER SECOND	FT OR '	FEET	MJ	MANHOLE	W/O	WITHOUT
AVE	AVENUE	DEBT	DEPARTMENT	FT OR '	FEET	FTG	FOOTING	MATL	MECHANICAL JOINT		
AZ	AZIMUTH	DIM	DIMENSION	GAL	GALLON	GALV	GALVANIZED	MAX	MAXIMUM		
BCCMP	BITUMINOUS COATED CMP	DIA	DIA	GALV	GALLON	GALV	GALVANIZED	MIN	MINIMUM		
BM	BENCH MARK	GAU	GAUZE	GPM	GALLONS PER DAY	GPM	GALLONS PER MINUTE	MIS	MISCELLANEOUS		
BIT	BITUMINOUS	GAU	GAUZE	HTC	HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE	HTC	HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE	MON	MONUMENT		
BLDG	BUILDING	DIST	DISTANCE	HOR	HORIZONTAL	HOR	HORSEPOWER	NITC	NOT IN THIS CONTRACT		
BOT	BOTTOM	DN	DOWN	HYD	HYDRANT	HYD	HYDRANT	N/F	NOT TO SCALE		
BRG	BEARING	DR	DRAIN	OC	ON CENTER	OC	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
BV	BALL VALVE	DWG	DRAWING	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
CB	CATCH BASIN	EA	EACH	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
CEN	CENTER	EG	EXISTING GROUND OR GRADE	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
CEM LIN	CEMENT LINED	ELEC	ELECTRIC	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
CMP	CORRUGATED METAL PIPE	EL	ELEVATION	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	PIV	PIVOT		
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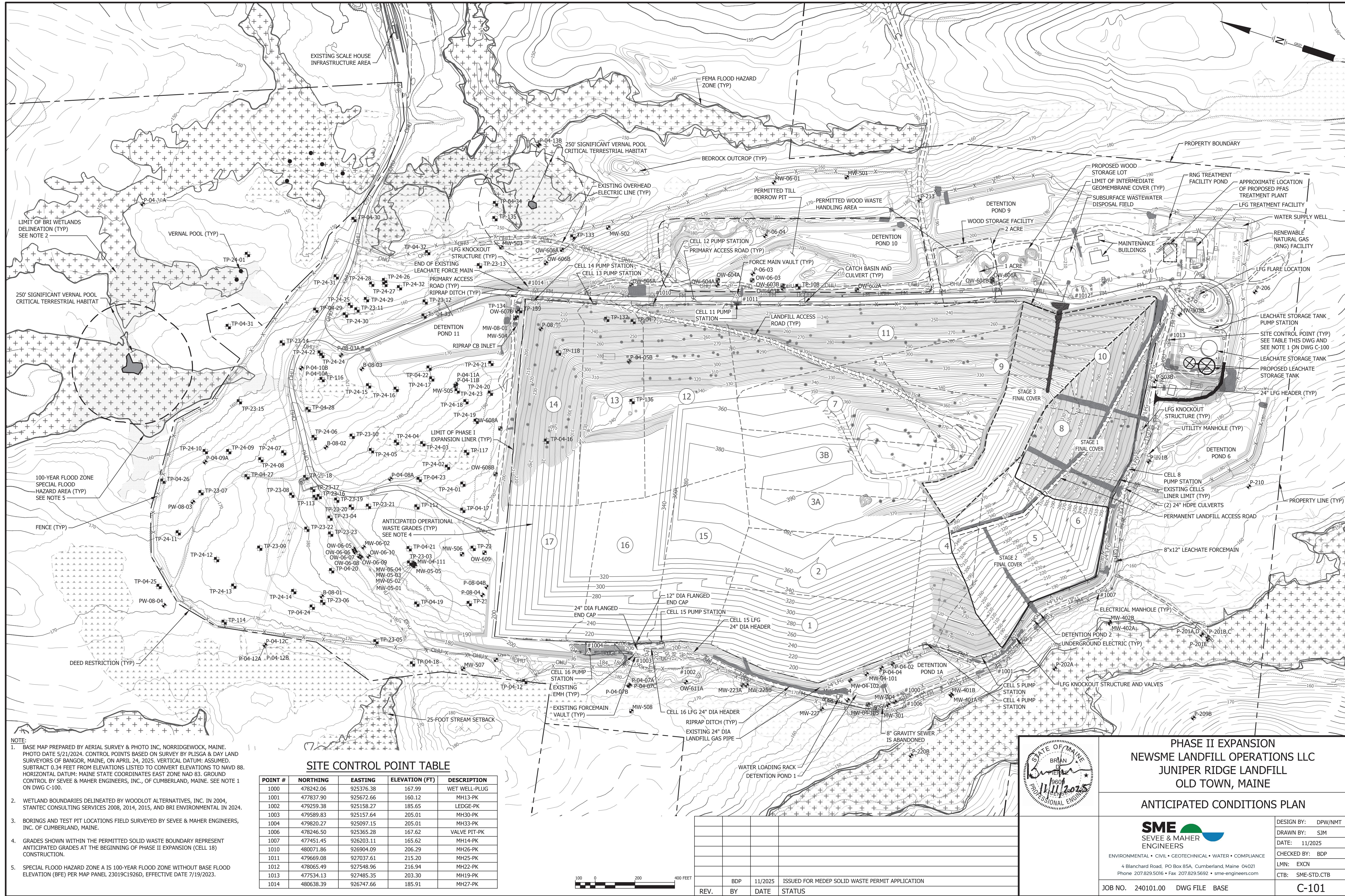
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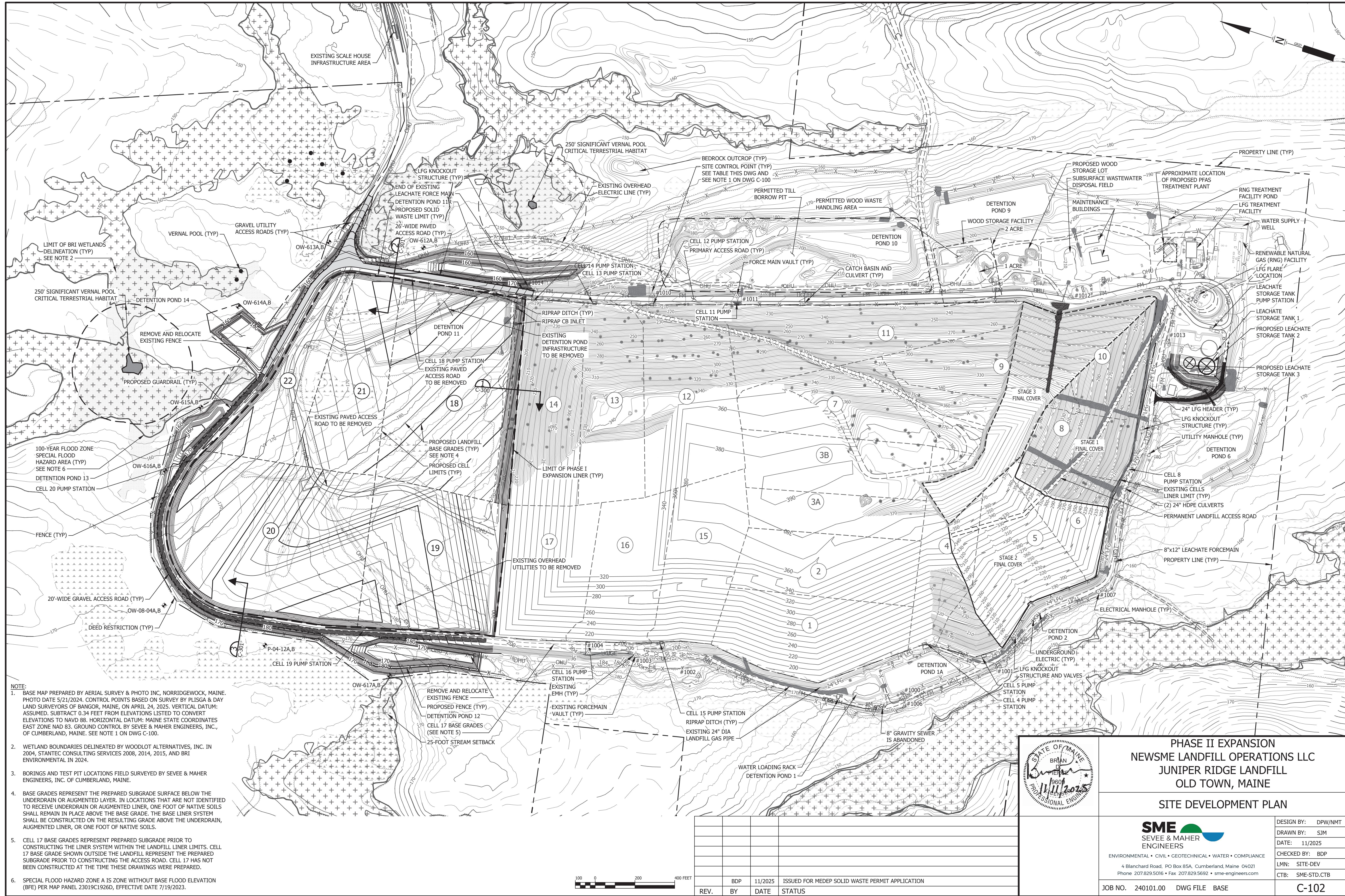


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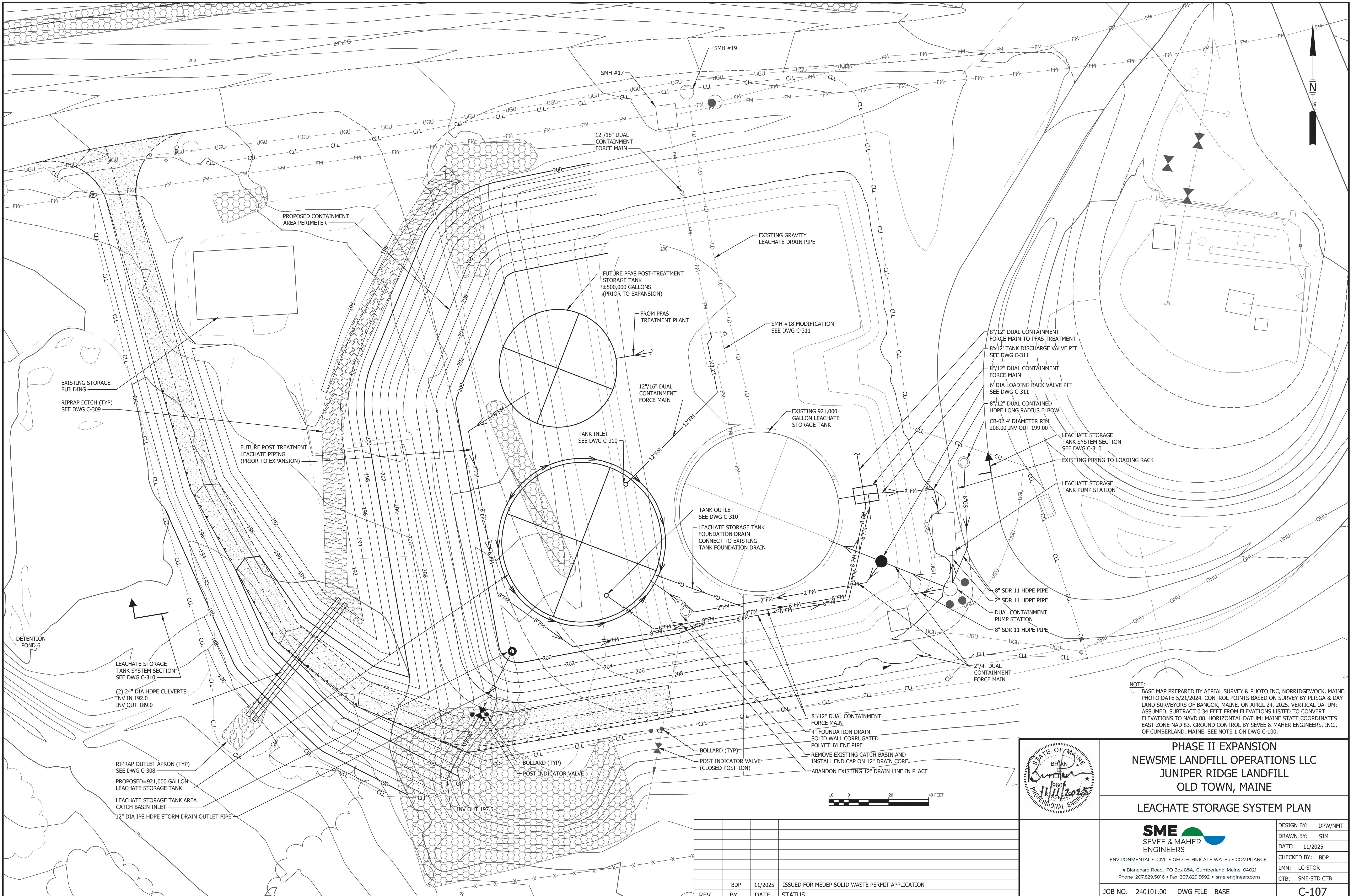








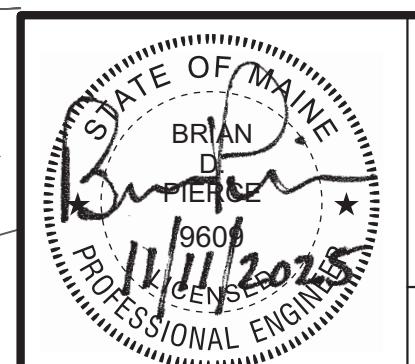




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# LEACHATE STORAGE SYSTEM PLAN



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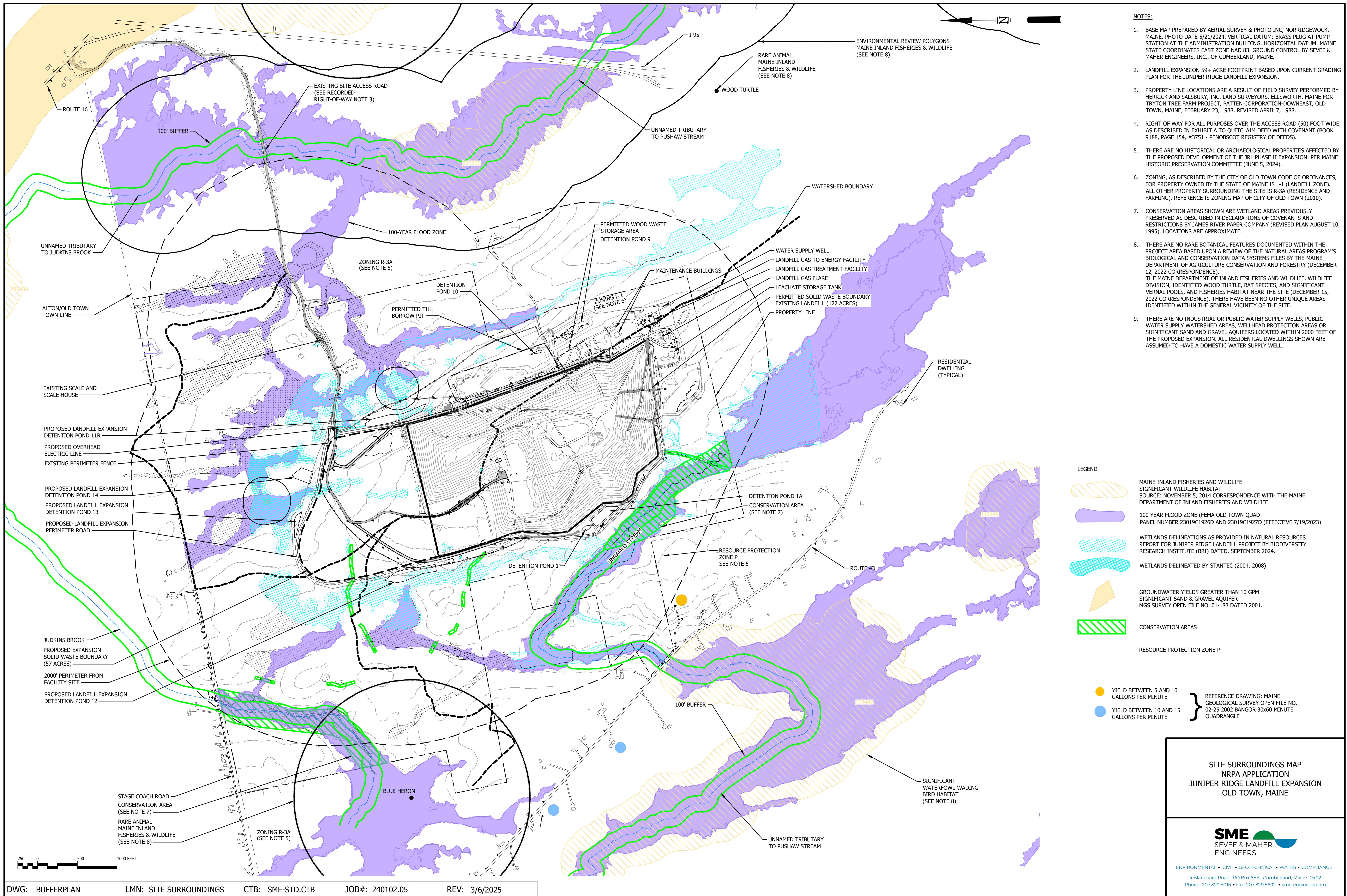
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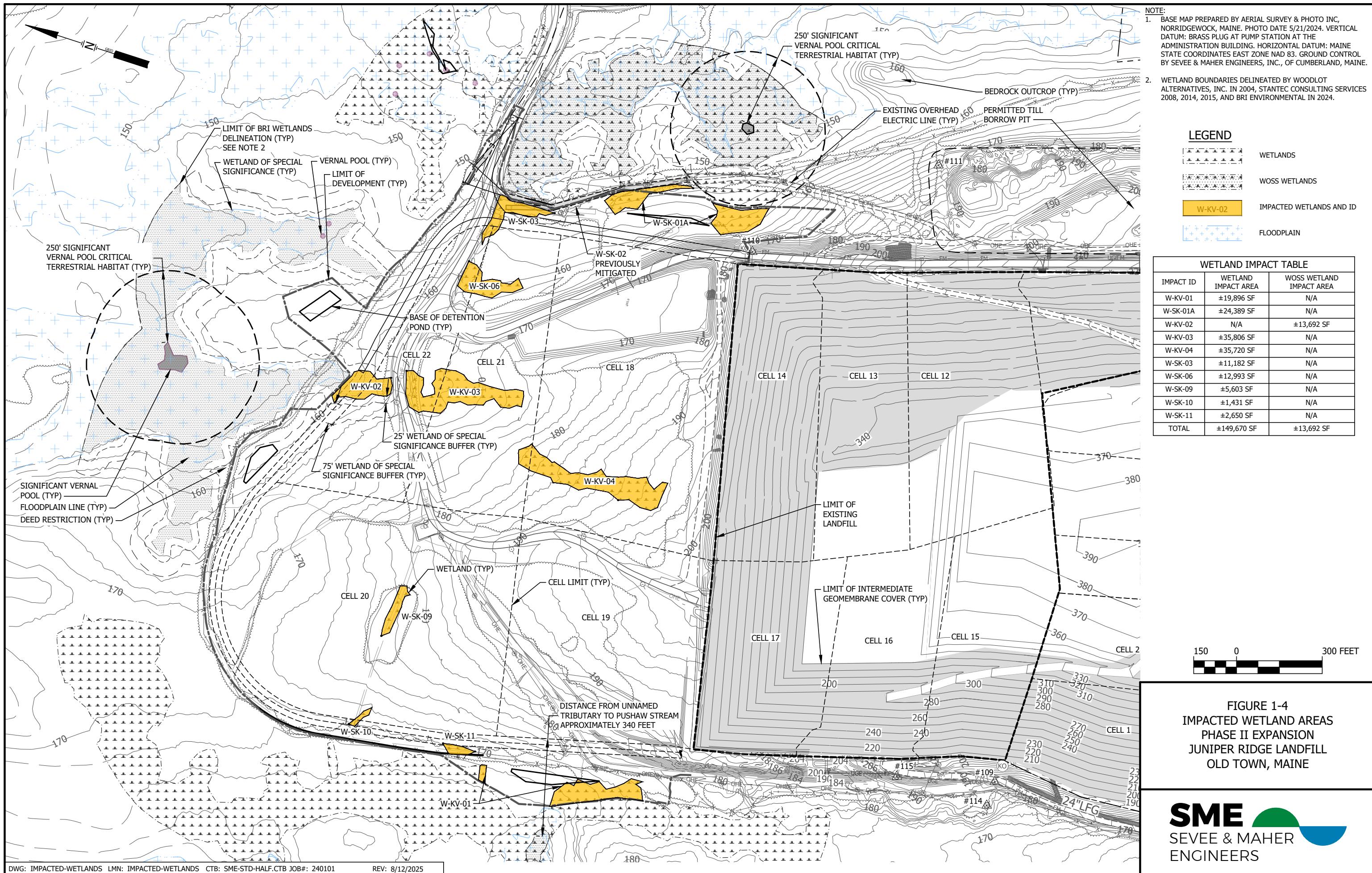
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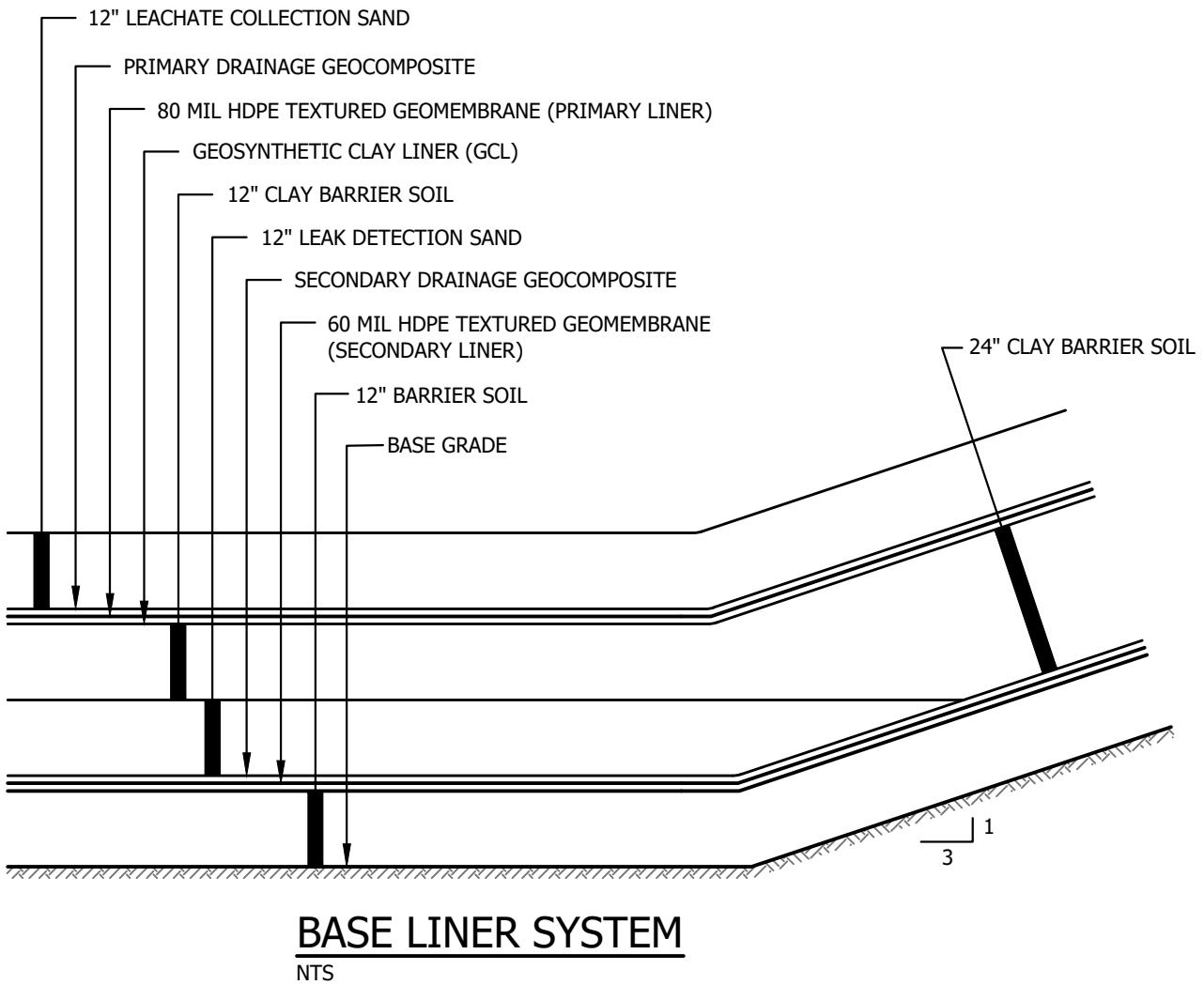


FIGURE 1-3  
PROPOSED PHASE II  
LANDFILL LINER SYSTEM  
JUNIPER RIDGE LANDFILL  
OLD TOWN, MAINE

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