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PUBLIC NOTICE

Comment Period Begins: January 28, 2014
Comment Period Ends: February 28, 2014
File Number: NAE-2013-1629
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The District Engineer has received a permit application from the applicant below to **conduct work in waters of the United States** as described below.

APPLICANT: Edgewood Yacht Club; 3 Shaw Avenue; Cranston, Rhode Island 02905

ACTIVITY: Construct and maintain a new Edgewood Yacht Club clubhouse over the water to replace the 106 year old clubhouse which burned down in January 2011. The new clubhouse is proposed to be built in the same approximate location of the former clubhouse. A detailed description and plans of the activity are attached.

WATERWAY AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED WORK

This work is proposed in the Providence River off Shaw Avenue in Cranston, Rhode Island. The proposed location on the USGS Providence, Rhode Island quadrangle sheet is at Lat/Long N 41d-46°-35.30"; W 71d-23°-21.60" (NAD 83).

AUTHORITY

Permits are required pursuant to:

- Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899
- Section 404 of the Clean Water Act
- Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act).

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.

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

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also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-267), requires all federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH).

The pier portion of this project will impact approximately 0.1 acres of Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) for those species listed on the attached list and their life stages. Habitat at this site can be described as sands and silts. Loss of this habitat from shading effects may adversely affect some of the above mentioned species. 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.

SECTION 106 COORDINATION

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)

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 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.

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 Michael J. Elliott at (978) 318-8131, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

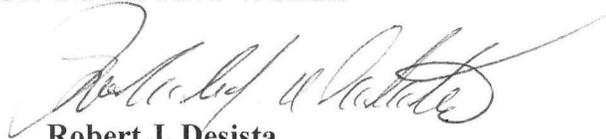
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Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for a public hearing shall specifically state the reasons for holding a public hearing. The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

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.

In accordance with 33 CFR 325.2(a)(8), we publish monthly a list of permits issued or denied during the previous month at www.nae.usace.army.mil/reg, under the heading "Monthly General and Individual Permit Authorizations." Relevant environmental documents and the SOFs or RODs are available upon written request and, where applicable, upon the payment of administrative fees. Also visit www.nae.usace.army.mil for more information on the New England District Corps of Engineers programs.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.



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Permits and Enforcement Branch
Regulatory Division

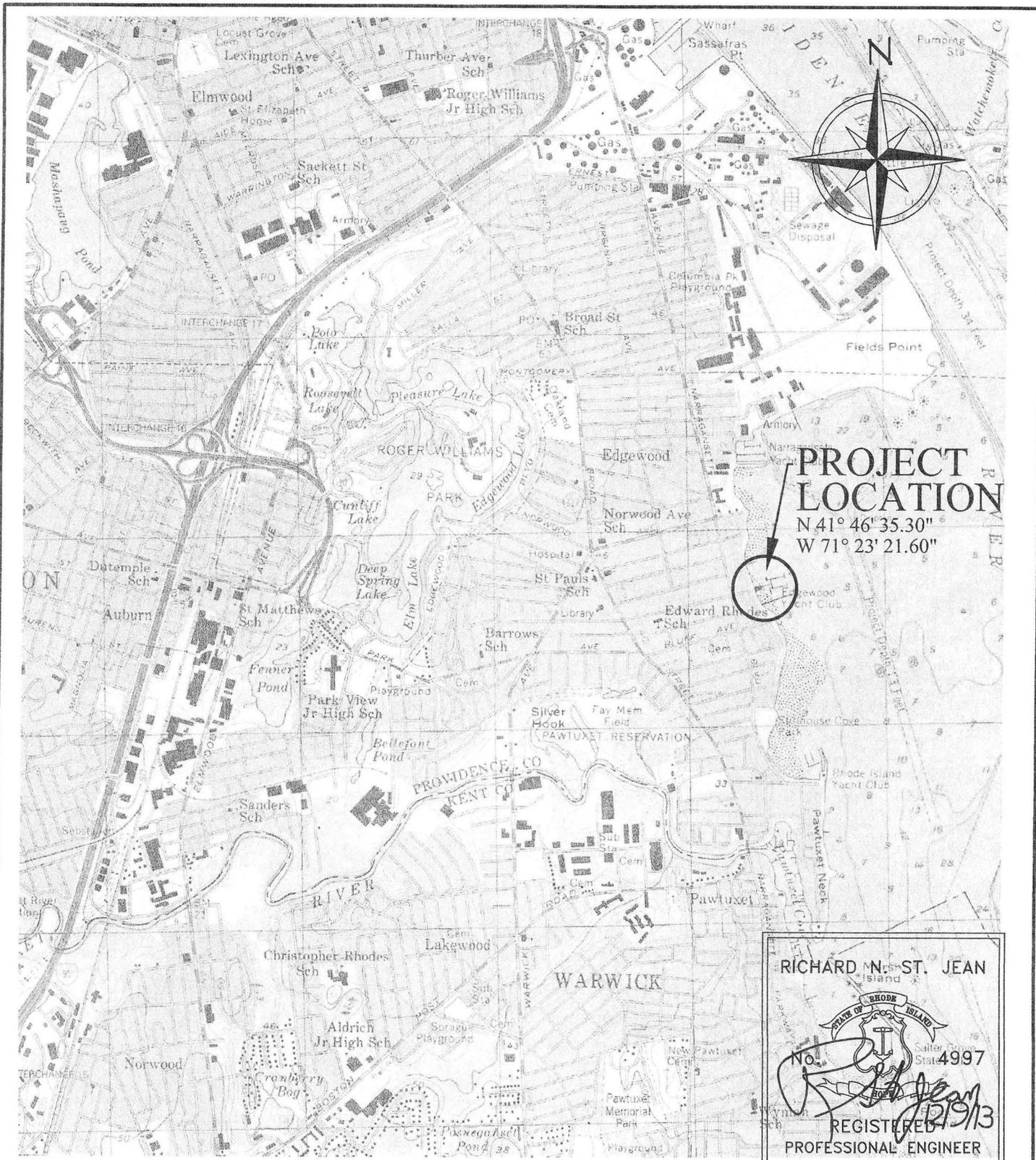
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PROPOSED WORK AND PURPOSE

Edgewood Yacht Club (EYC) proposes to construct a new clubhouse supported by pilings over the Providence River. It would replace the former clubhouse which was over 100 years old when it burned down in January 2011. The original clubhouse footprint was approximately 6900 square feet. The proposed new clubhouse would be supported on pilings in the intertidal zone between mean high and mean low water in the approximate location of the original structure. There is no vegetation in the building location area. The proposed clubhouse will be a 2025 square foot facility located over the water. The total over-water footprint with the wrap-around lower deck and including the roof overhang will be approximately 5251 square feet. The existing pier is at elevation 10-feet mean low water. The highest elevation of the building would be approximately 53-feet above mean low water. There is no dredging or filling proposed. There is no new work proposed for the existing pier or the EYC float system. There is no salt marsh or eelgrass at the site.

The work is described on the enclosed plans in nine sheets entitled “EDGEWOOD YACHT CLUB” dated “DECEMBER 9, 2013.”

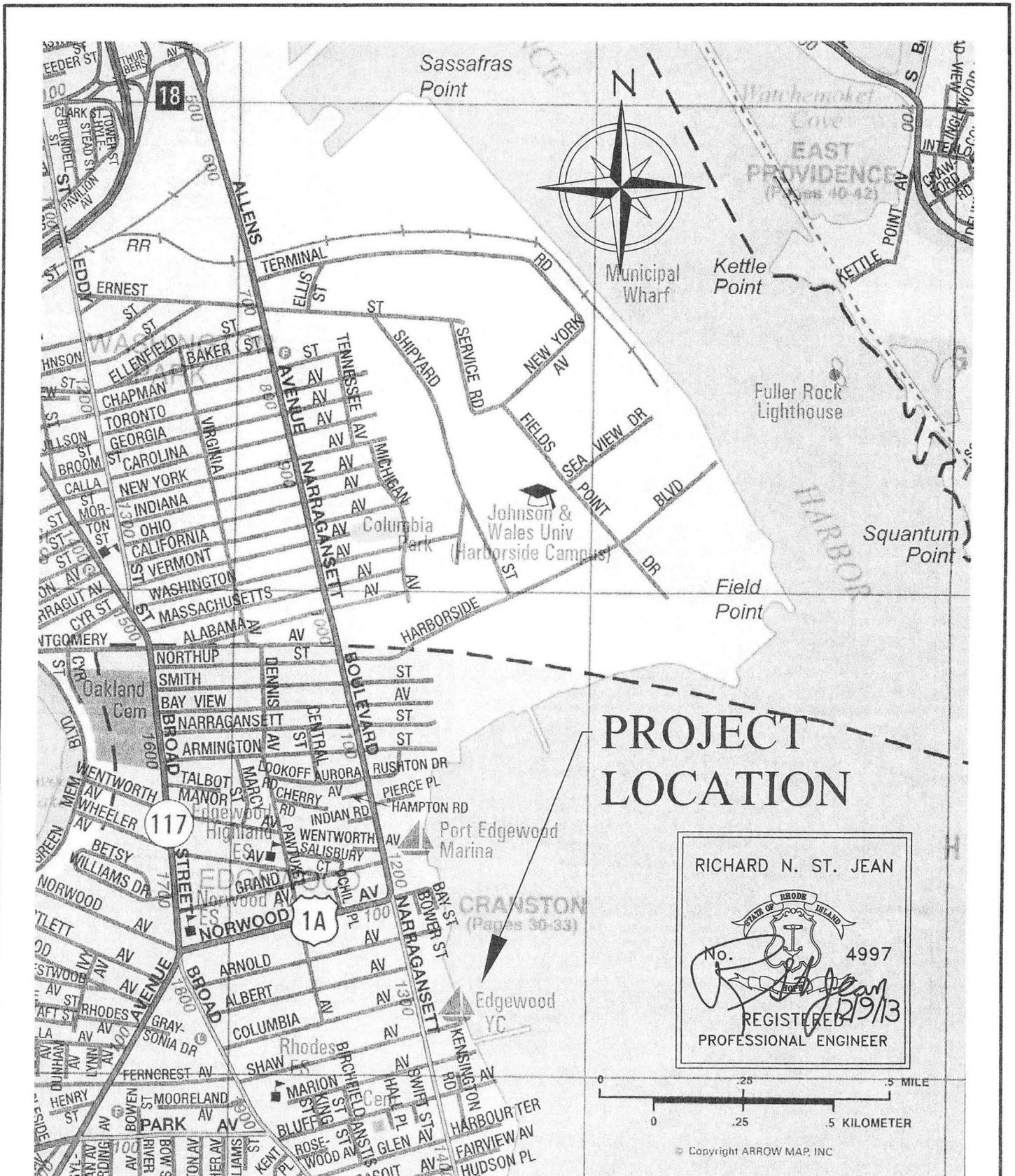


PROJECT LOCATION
 N 41° 46' 35.30"
 W 71° 23' 21.60"

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ST. JEAN ENGINEERING, LLC Structural, Marine & Civil Engineering 1145 Middle Road East Greenwich, RI 02818 Office Phone: (401)398-0999 email: st.jean.engineering@verizon.net	EDGEWOOD YACHT CLUB - NEW BUILDING USGS Map Section: Providence, RI Quadrangle		DATE DECEMBER 9, 2013
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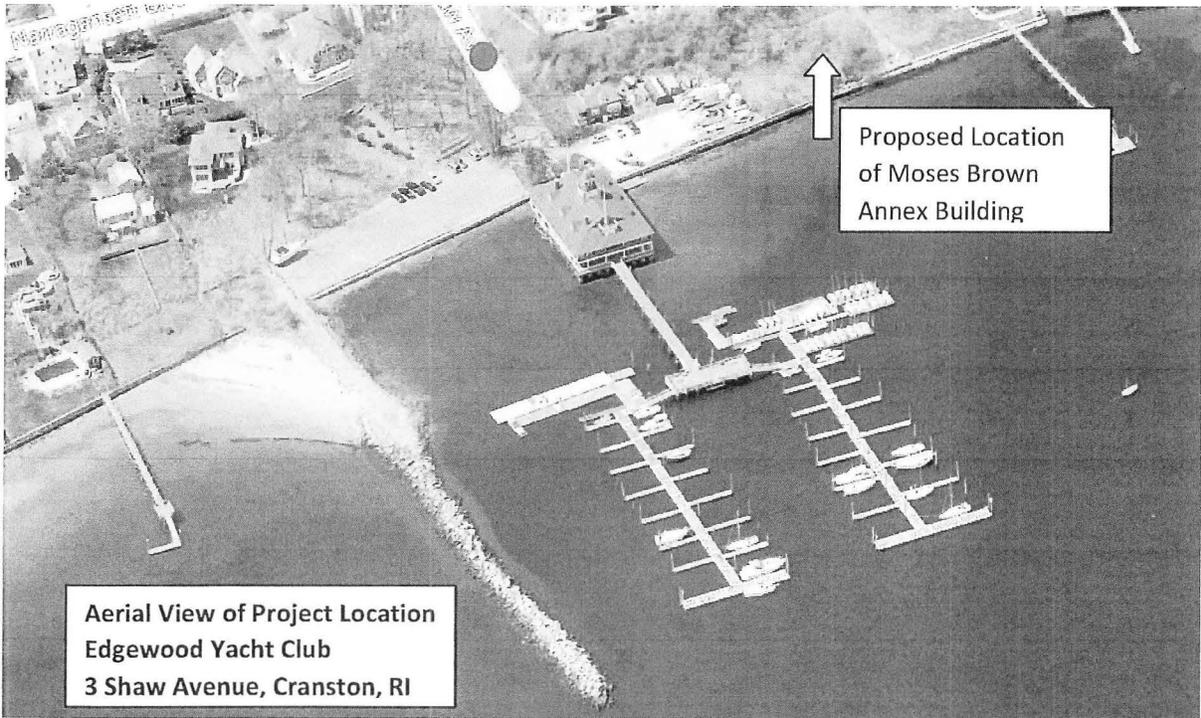
**EDGEWOOD YACHT CLUB - NEW BUILDING
 LOCUS MAP**

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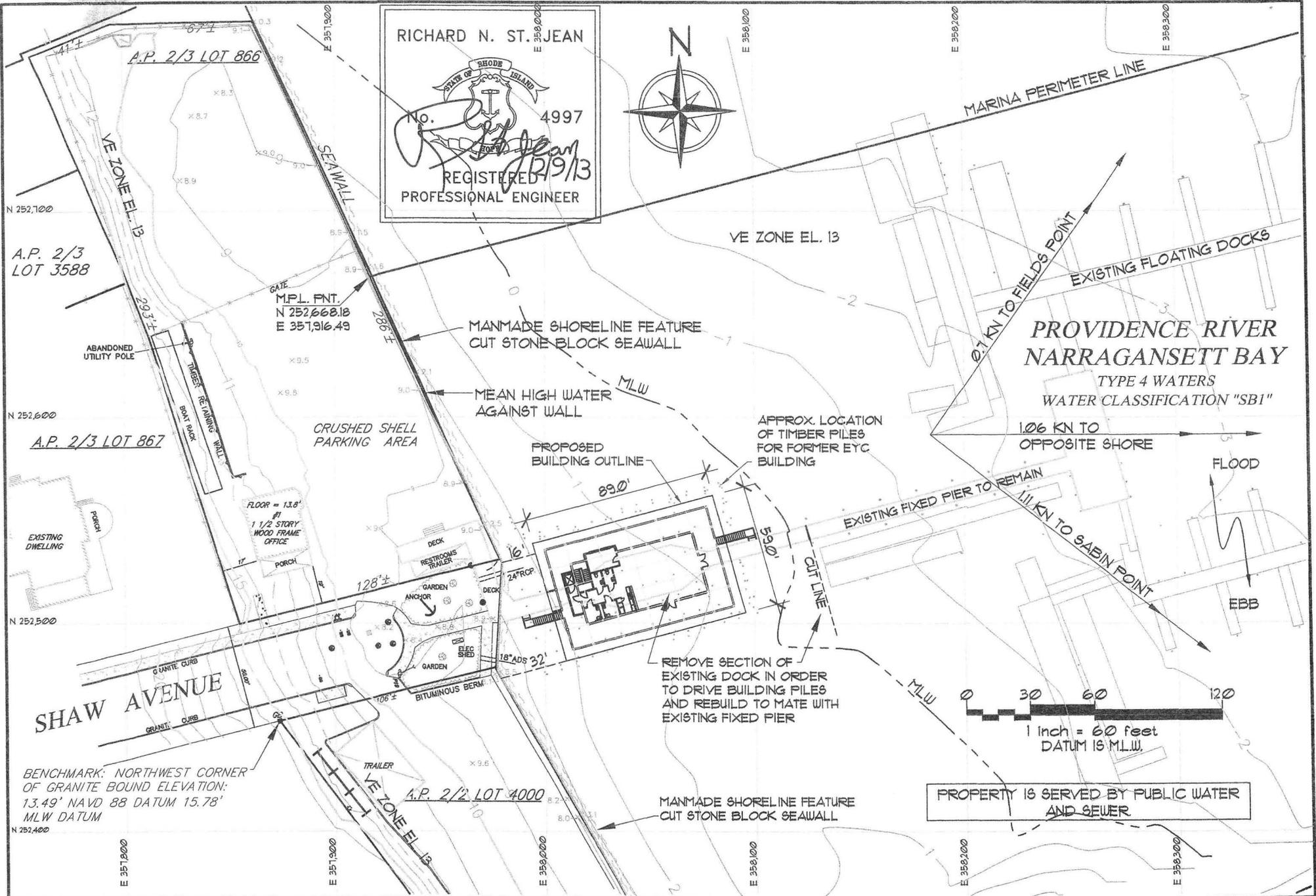


Showing Former Clubhouse Over the Water - Destroyed by Fire on Jan. 12, 2011



Start of Dock System - West Face of Building to be 6± East of Sign

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**PROVIDENCE RIVER
 NARRAGANSETT BAY**
 TYPE 4 WATERS
 WATER CLASSIFICATION "SBI"

0.7 KN TO FIELDS POINT
 1.06 KN TO OPPOSITE SHORE
 1.11 KN TO SABIN POINT

0 30 60 120
 1 inch = 60 feet
 DATUM IS MLW.

PROPERTY IS SERVED BY PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER

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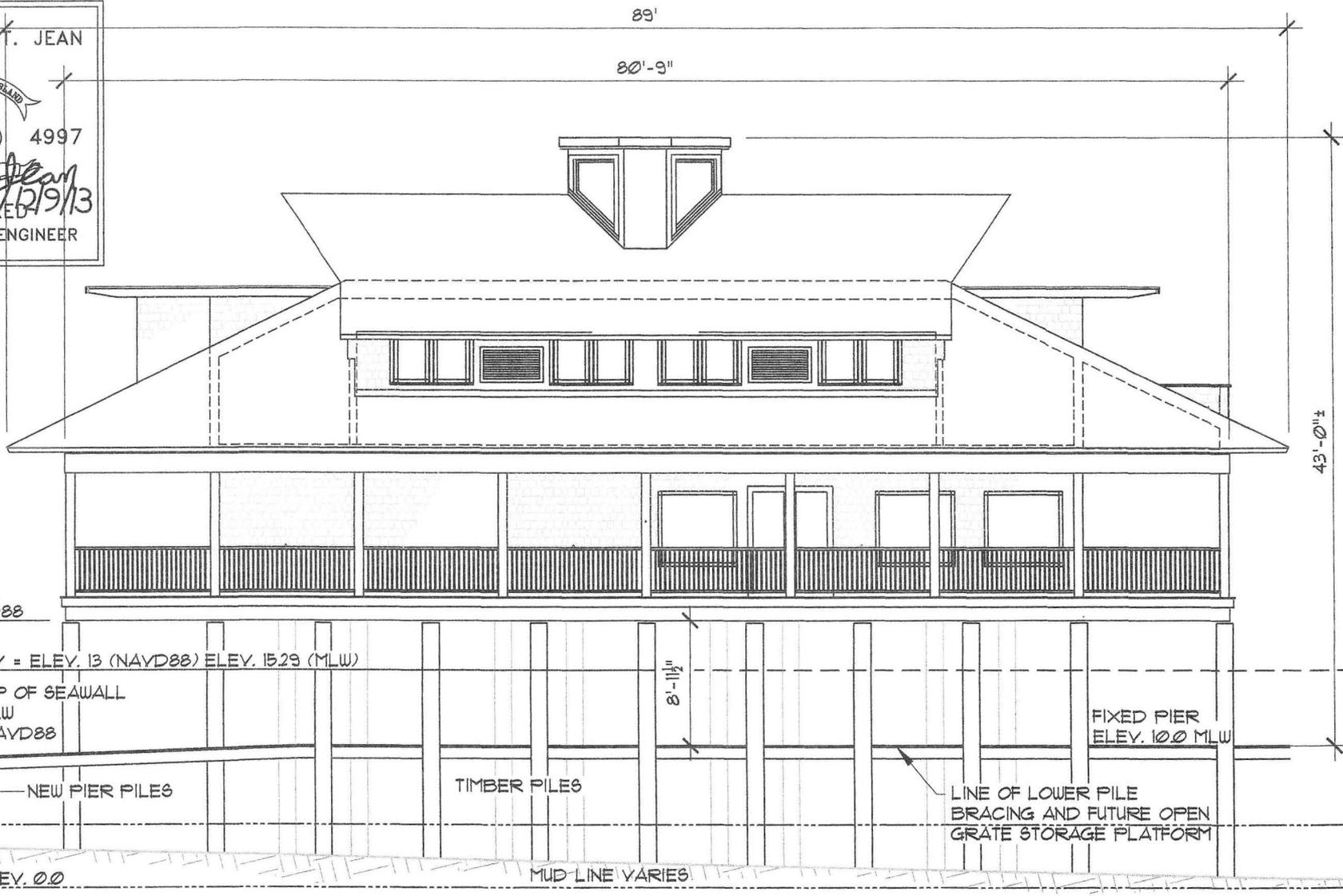
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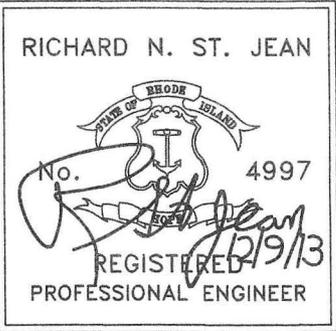
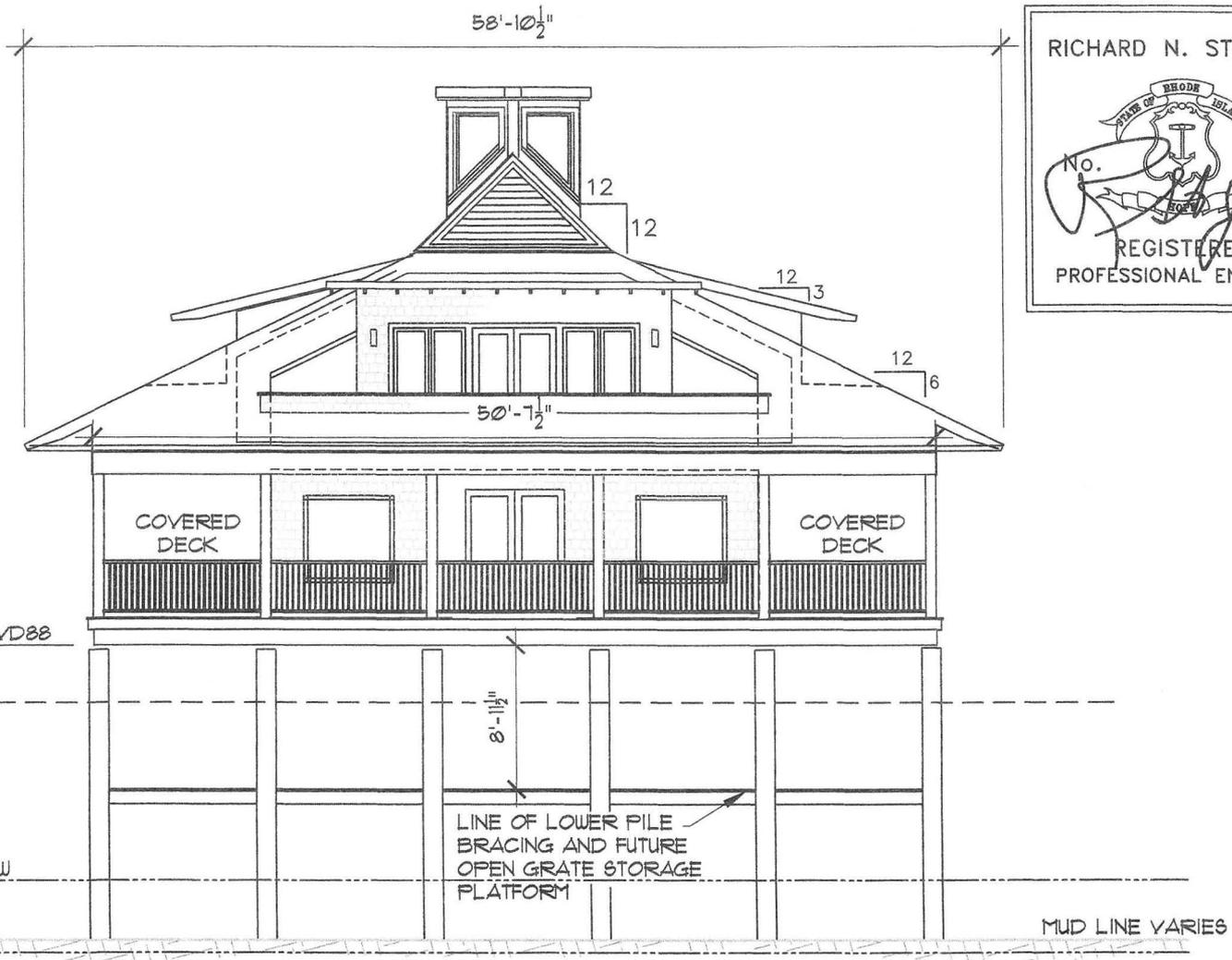
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SOUTH ELEVATION - PROPOSED YACHT CLUB BUILDING
 SCALE: $\frac{3}{32}'' = 1'-0''$

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EAST ELEVATION - PROPOSED YACHT CLUB BUILDING

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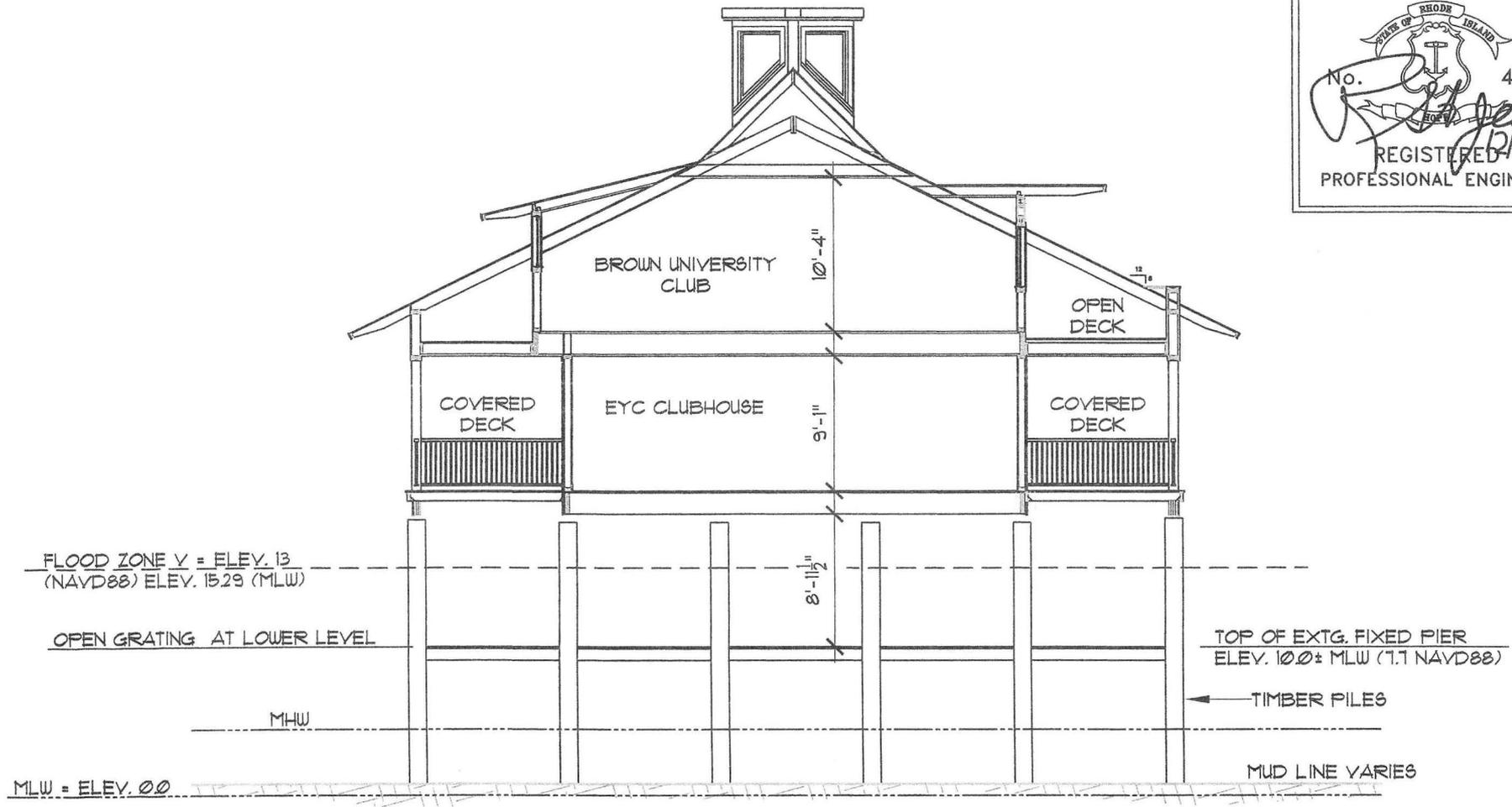
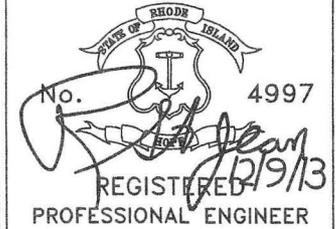
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SECTION THRU - PROPOSED YACHT CLUB BUILDING

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Summary of Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Designation

10n x 10n Square Coordinates:

Boundary	North	East	South	West
Coordinate	41° 50.0u N	71° 20.0u W	41° 40.0u N	71° 30.0u W

Square Description (i.e. habitat, landmarks, coastline markers): The waters within the square within the Providence River, within Narragansett Bay, affecting all cities, towns, and features within or adjacent to it, from Nayatt Pt. and south of Nayatt, RI., north, as well as from Warwick Pt. north. Also, these waters affect within and around Greenwich Bay, northeast of East Greenwich, RI., and north of Sally Rock Pt. on Potowomut Neck, and all other towns, cities, and features within or adjacent to those waters including Apponaug Cove, Buttonwoods Cove, Brush Neck Cove, and Warwick Cove.

Species	Eggs	Larvae	Juveniles	Adults
Atlantic cod (<i>Gadus morhua</i>)				
haddock (<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>)		X		
pollock (<i>Pollachius virens</i>)				
whiting (<i>Merluccius bilinearis</i>)				
offshore hake (<i>Merluccius albidus</i>)				
red hake (<i>Urophycis chuss</i>)		X	X	X
white hake (<i>Urophycis tenuis</i>)				
redfish (<i>Sebastes fasciatus</i>)	n/a			
witch flounder (<i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>)				
winter flounder (<i>Pseudopleuronectes americanus</i>)	X	X	X	X
yellowtail flounder (<i>Limanda ferruginea</i>)				
windowpane flounder (<i>Scophthalmus aquosus</i>)	X	X	X	X
American plaice (<i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i>)		X	X	X
ocean pout (<i>Macrozoarces americanus</i>)				
Atlantic halibut (<i>Hippoglossus hippoglossus</i>)				
Atlantic sea scallop (<i>Placopecten magellanicus</i>)				
Atlantic sea herring (<i>Clupea harengus</i>)		X	X	X
monkfish (<i>Lophius americanus</i>)				

bluefish (<i>Pomatomus saltatrix</i>)			X	X
long finned squid (<i>Loligo pealeii</i>)	n/a	n/a		
short finned squid (<i>Illex illecebrosus</i>)	n/a	n/a		
Atlantic butterfish (<i>Peprilus triacanthus</i>)				
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>Centropristis 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		
tilefish (<i>Lopholatilus chamaeleonticeps</i>)				
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