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Public Notice

Reply To:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: OD-F (Charles Frerker)
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, MO 63103-2833

Public Notice No.

P-2780

Public Notice Date

December 21, 2010

Expiration Date

January 10, 2010

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Comments on the activities described below should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Notice number shown above and must reach this office no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

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1. Mr. Myron McDonough, SCF Development, LLC, 727 North 1st Street, Suite 270, St. Louis, Missouri 63102 (314-436-7559, has applied:

a. To the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District Regulatory Branch for authorization under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act to construct a barge loading facility in the same location where a “roll in – roll out” floating dock currently exists on Terminal Railroad Association’s property. The existing floating dock would be removed and be replaced with a barge load out tower dock, associated conveyor and walkway. The proposed dock facility would be for the outbound shipment of grain products loaded into hopper barges. The maximum capacity the loading dock would support is six hopper barges in a 3-long by 2-wide configuration. To support grain loading operations and temporary mooring, 17 pipe pile structures measuring 72-inches in diameter would be installed within the project area. The use of pipe-supported structures was chosen by the applicant to minimize impacts to the Mississippi River floodway. The furthest riverward extent the proposed barges would project towards the navigation channel would be 660 feet, measured from the centerline of the adjacent levee road. The conveyor would be constructed to transport grain from storage bins built in a historically disturbed rail yard located on the protected side of the adjacent levee. A high water deflector barge would be brought in, as needed, at the upstream limits of the project area to deflect debris and/or ice. No wetlands would be impacted by the proposed activity. The activity site is located 2,180 feet due north of Winter Street in East St. Louis, St. Clair County, Illinois along the left descending bank of the Mississippi River, at approximate river mile 181. (See Attached Figures)

b. To the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources for state approval of the proposed work in accordance with “an Act in Relation to the Regulation of the Rivers, Lakes and Streams of the State of Illinois, Chapter 615 ILCS 5”. Comments concerning the IDNR/OWR permit should be addressed to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271, with a copy provided to the Corps of Engineers. Jerry Bishoff of IDNR/OWR (217-782-3863) may be contacted for additional information, with copies of the comments provided to the Corps of Engineers.

2. Based on our initial processing of the applicants' proposal, the action is not expected to result in any significant adverse effects on the quality of the human environment. However, a final determination of the need for an environmental impact statement will not be made until the St. Louis District has completed its full review of this application. The review will include our evaluation of any written responses received as a result of this public notice.

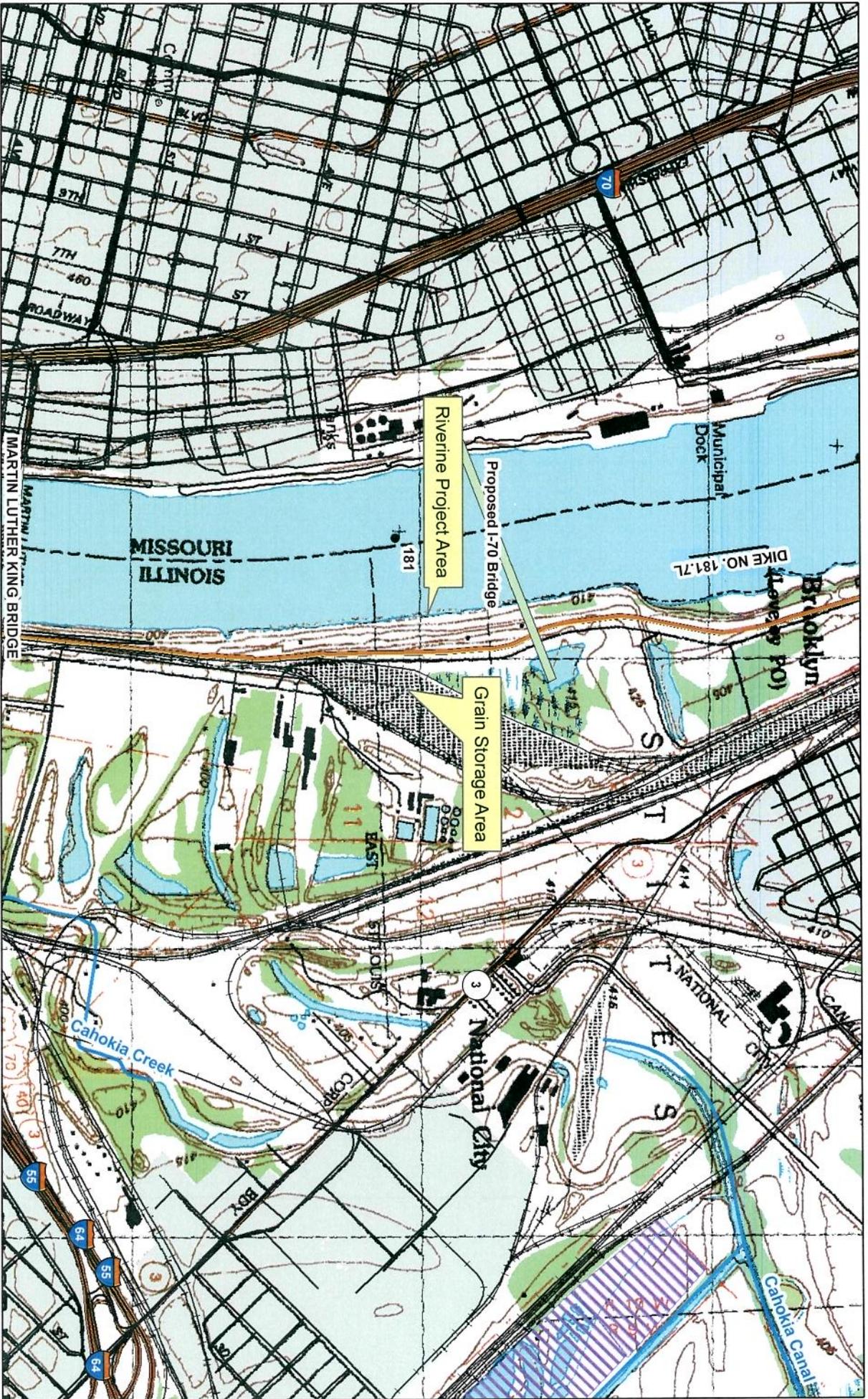
3. This permit will be processed under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act.

4. The St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct, or require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.
5. The proposed project is within the range of the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), Least tern (*Sterna antillarum*), Pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirynchus albus*), and the federally threatened Decurrent false aster (*Boltonia decurrens*) and Eastern prairie fringed orchid (*Platanthaera leucophaea*). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that the proposed activity is not likely to adversely affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, this public notice solicits comments from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.
6. Any interested parties, particularly navigation interests, Federal and state agencies for the protection of environmental and cultural resources, and the officials of any state, town, or local associations whose interest may be affected by this work, are invited to submit to this office written facts, arguments, or objections on or before the public notice expiration date. The decision whether to authorize the proposed work will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. The 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; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic 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, consideration of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Project authorization will be granted only if it is found not contrary to the public interest.
7. The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; 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 authorization 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 also used to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.
8. Any person may request that a public hearing be held to consider the applicant's proposal, provided such request identifies significant issues that would warrant additional public review and comment. All replies to this public notice must be submitted in writing and sent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: OD-F (Frerker), 1222 Spruce Street, , St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833, or by electronic mail to charles.f.frerker@usace.army.mil, on or before the public notice closing date.
9. In accordance with 33 CFR 325.3, it is presumed that all interested parties and agencies will wish to respond to public notices; therefore, a lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the proposed project.

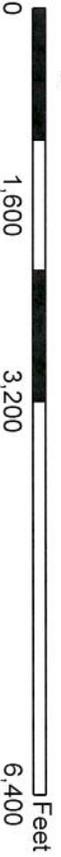
Danny D. McClendon
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Attachments

Notice to Postmasters: It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually posted for 21 days.



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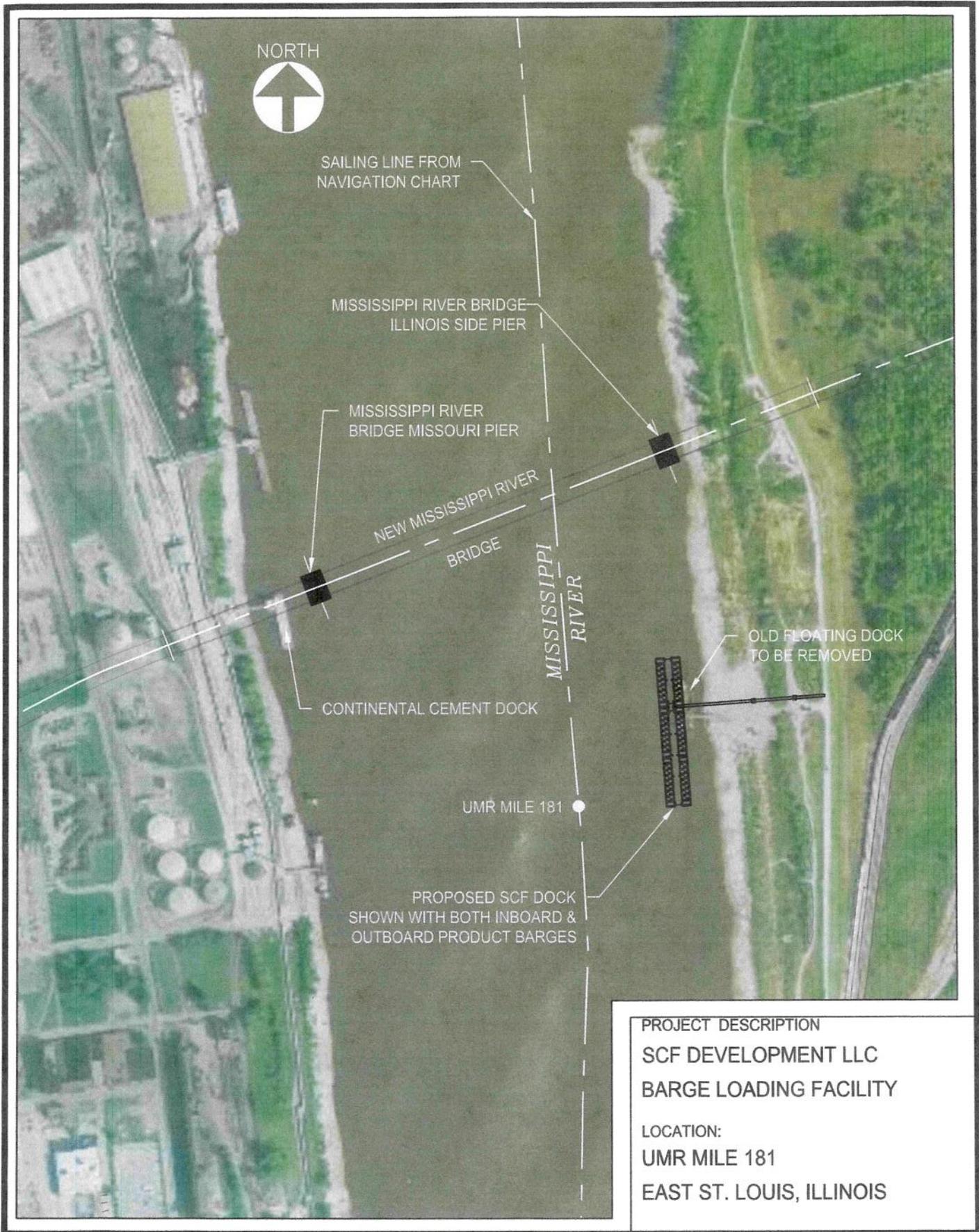


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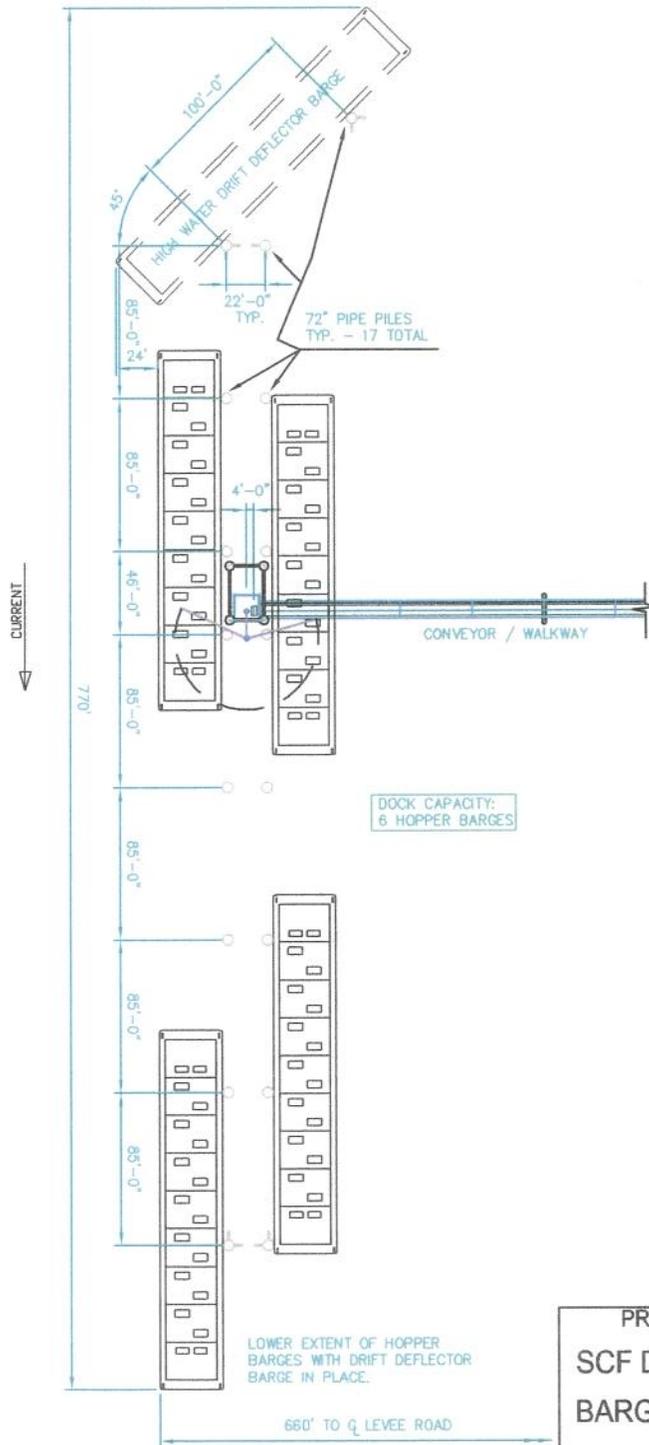


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BARGE LOADING FACILITY

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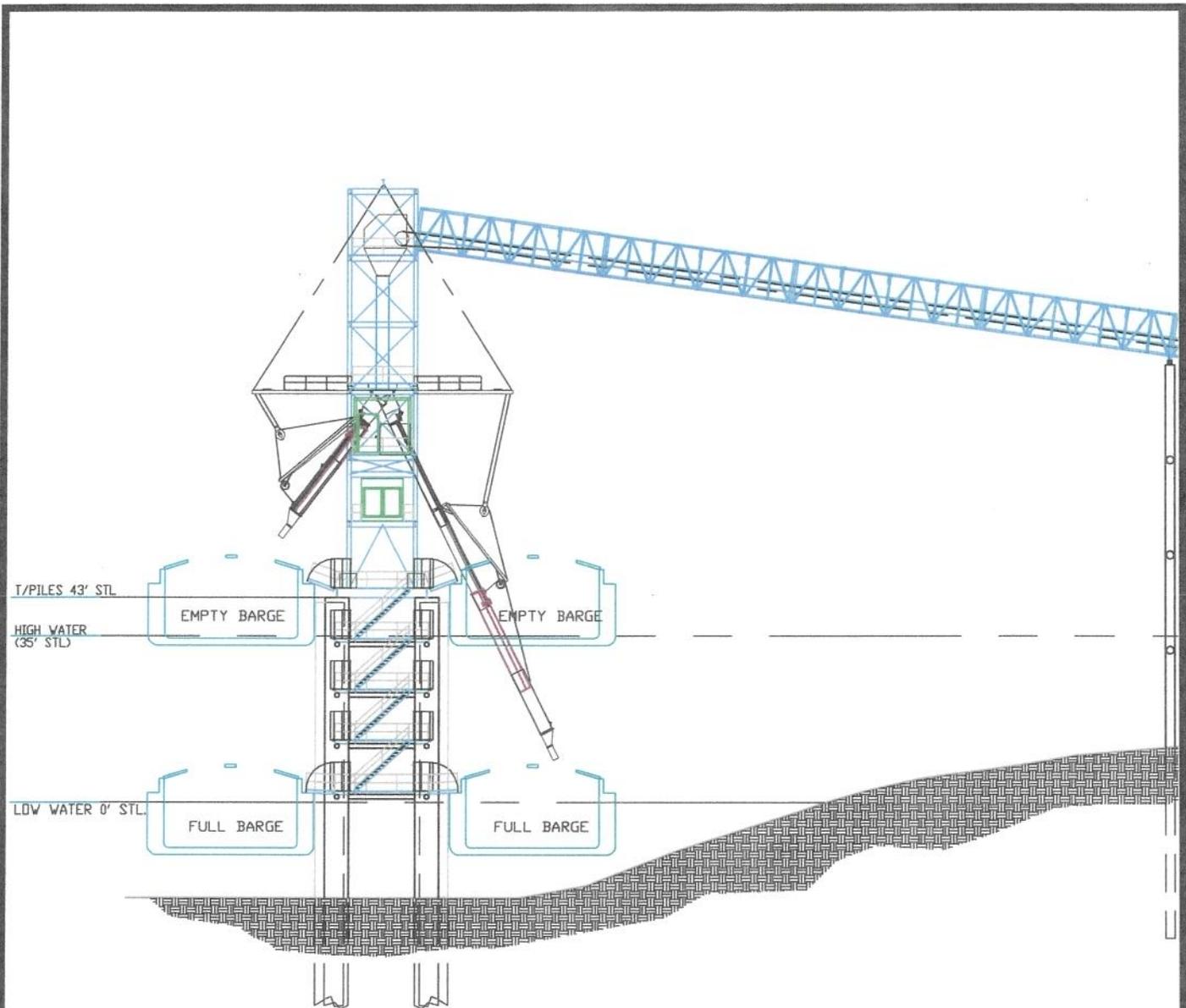


DOCK CAPACITY:
6 HOPPER BARGES

LOWER EXTENT OF HOPPER
BARGES WITH DRIFT DEFLECTOR
BARGE IN PLACE.

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SECTION THROUGH DOCK

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