



Public Notice

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**Reply To:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: CEMVS-OD-F
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833**

Public Notice No.
P-2816
Public Notice Date
March 9, 2012
Expiration Date
March 30, 2012

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File Number: MVS-2009-39

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached maps.

COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File 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:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833
ATTN: Jaynie Doerr

APPLICANT: Elia Lopez, Procter and Gamble, 14484 State Highway 177, Jackson, Missouri 63755.

CONSULTANT: Mark McElroy, ARCADIS-US, 701 Town Center Drive, Suite 600, Newport News, Virginia 23606.

LOCATION: The project is located at the existing Procter and Gamble (P&G) facility at the above address. Specifically, it is within Section 5, Township 32 North, Range 14 East, Cape Girardeau County, Missouri (see attached location map).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant seeks authorization to impact approximately 0.33 acres of wetlands and a total of 4,600 linear feet of stream to expand their current facility to better meet the existing and projected consumer demands. This project represents a significant capital investment in the region that will potentially spur numerous construction jobs, and when complete, will support P&G's long-term plans for the facility. Major components of the proposed project include manufacturing space, parking lots, loading docks, warehouse space, a new railroad spur, new access road, relocating State Highway J, and constructing a new bridge for State Highway J over Turkey Creek. In order to complete the proposed project, 900 linear feet of an unnamed tributary, 1,650 linear feet of Turkey Creek, 2,050 linear feet of Opossum Creek, and 0.33 acres of emergent and

scrub-shrub wetlands will be filled. The proposed alternative was selected because the alternatives are incompatible with the objectives of the project, or have a greater extent of stream and wetland impacts. The unnamed tributary flows into Turkey Creek. The wetlands are adjacent to Turkey Creek, which flows into Opossum Creek, then into Indian Creek, a primary tributary to the Mississippi River.

In 1997, the P&G facility at Cape Girardeau was issued a section 404 permit (P-2052) to impact wetlands and Opossum Creek to expand their facility. The current proposal will impact the same portion of Opossum Creek that was realigned in 1997. The creek is currently channelized and its banks are lined with rock-filled gabions. The applicant wishes to reroute 2,050 feet of the creek to extend 1,700 feet straight through the site within three 8'x12' box culverts and re-connect to the previously impacted downstream portion of Opossum Creek.

In order to better meet existing and projected consumer demands, P&G is again proposing the expansion of the above referenced facility. The applicant has avoided and minimized impacts to waters as much as possible while allowing the expansion to be completed on-site. The Cape Girardeau facility features beneficial aspects such as the presence of existing infrastructure, ample available parking space, and a close proximity to existing facilities. The applicant proposes to mitigate for unavoidable impacts to waters of the U.S on approximately 2,475 linear feet of stream by relocating 1,700 linear feet of Turkey Creek and establishing a riparian corridor, stabilizing 300 feet of stream bank along Turkey Creek and preserving the riparian corridor within this section, and preserving riparian corridor along 475 feet Turkey Creek. The applicant also wishes to purchase credits from either a stream mitigation bank or the in-lieu-fee fund to compensate for the remaining stream impacts not mitigated on-site. To compensate for wetland impacts, the applicant proposes to create 0.42 acres of emergent/scrub wetland on-site adjacent to the Turkey Creek relocation. See the attached proposed conceptual mitigation plans for more detail.

LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS: See Sheets 1 through 7 attached.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information may be obtained by contacting the consultant listed on the front page or Jaynie Doerr, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (314) 331-8581. Your inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or by e-mail to Jaynie.g.doerr@ usace.army.mil.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be processed under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: The project plans have been submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification is requested as of the date of this Public Notice, and if issued, will express the Agency's opinion that the proposed activities will not violate applicable water quality standards. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of Missouri should be addressed to: Water Protection Program, Post Office Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176, with a copy provided to the Corps of Engineers.

SECTION 404 (b)(1) EVALUATION: The impact of the activity on the public interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines pursuant to Section 404 (b)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the applicant's proposal. Any request for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reason for the hearing, and must be based on issues that would warrant additional public review.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, as amended, has been made that the proposed activity would not affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. However, in order to complete our evaluation, comments are solicited from the Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals through this Public Notice.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: Due to previous construction within the property, a Phase II survey was conducted in 1997 resulting in no additional investigations. However, the St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the SHPO and the public in response to this public notice for the potential of cultural and historic resources within the project site, including the proposed mitigation areas.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit that may reasonably be expected to accrue from the described activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the activity described, will be considered including the cumulative effects. Among factors considered are: conservation; economics; aesthetics; general environmental concerns; wetlands; historic properties; fish and wildlife values; flood hazards; flood plain 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.

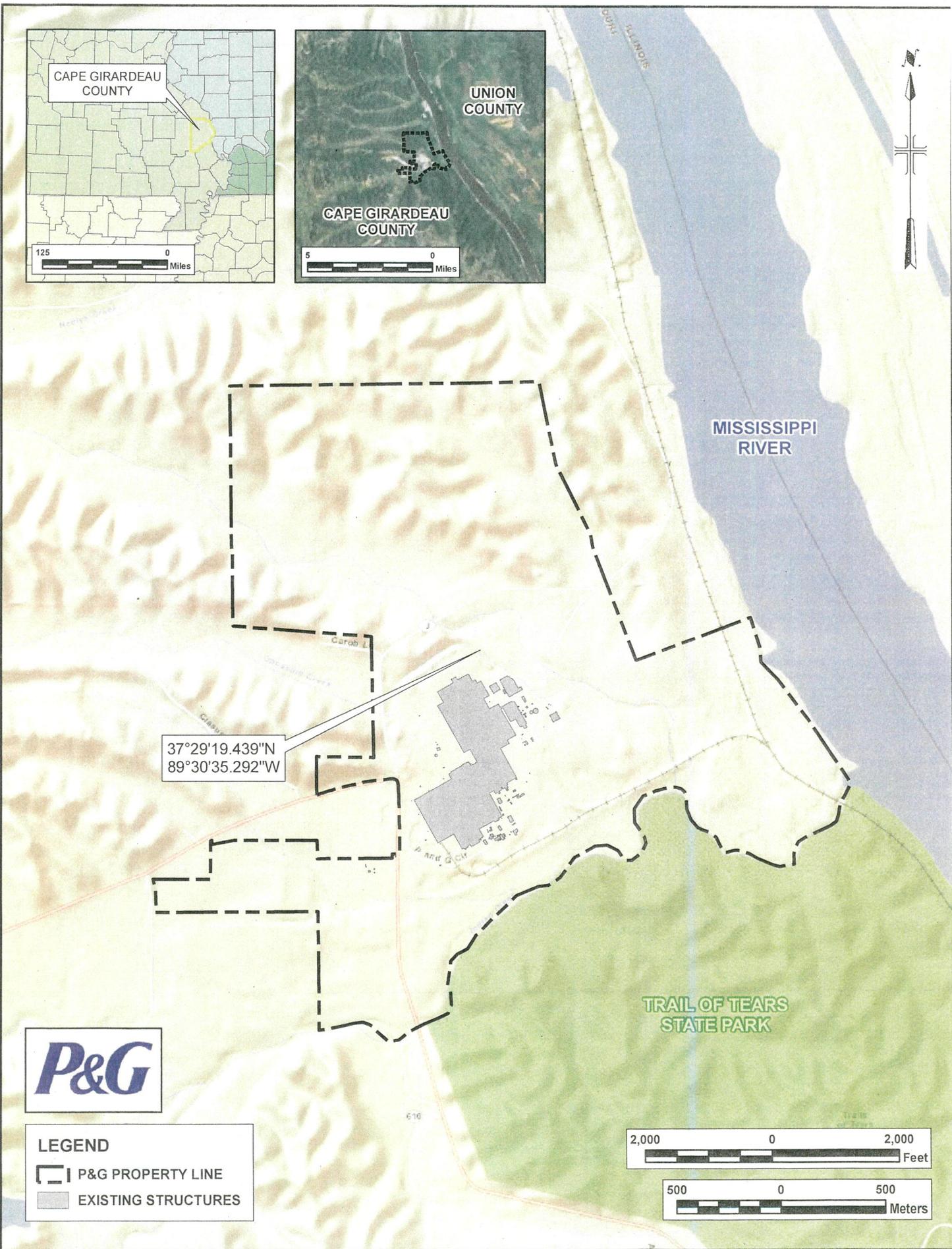
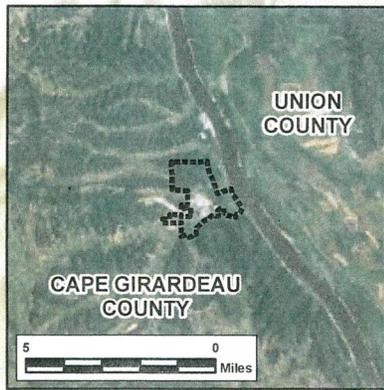
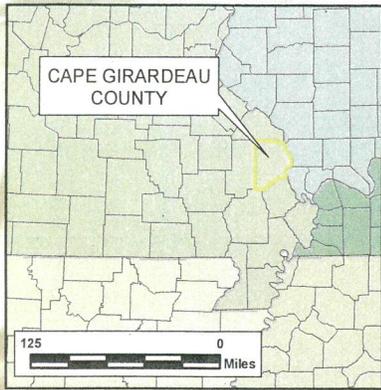
SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army 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 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.


DANNY D. MCCLENDON
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Attachments

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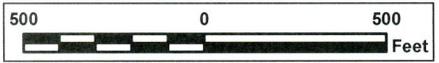
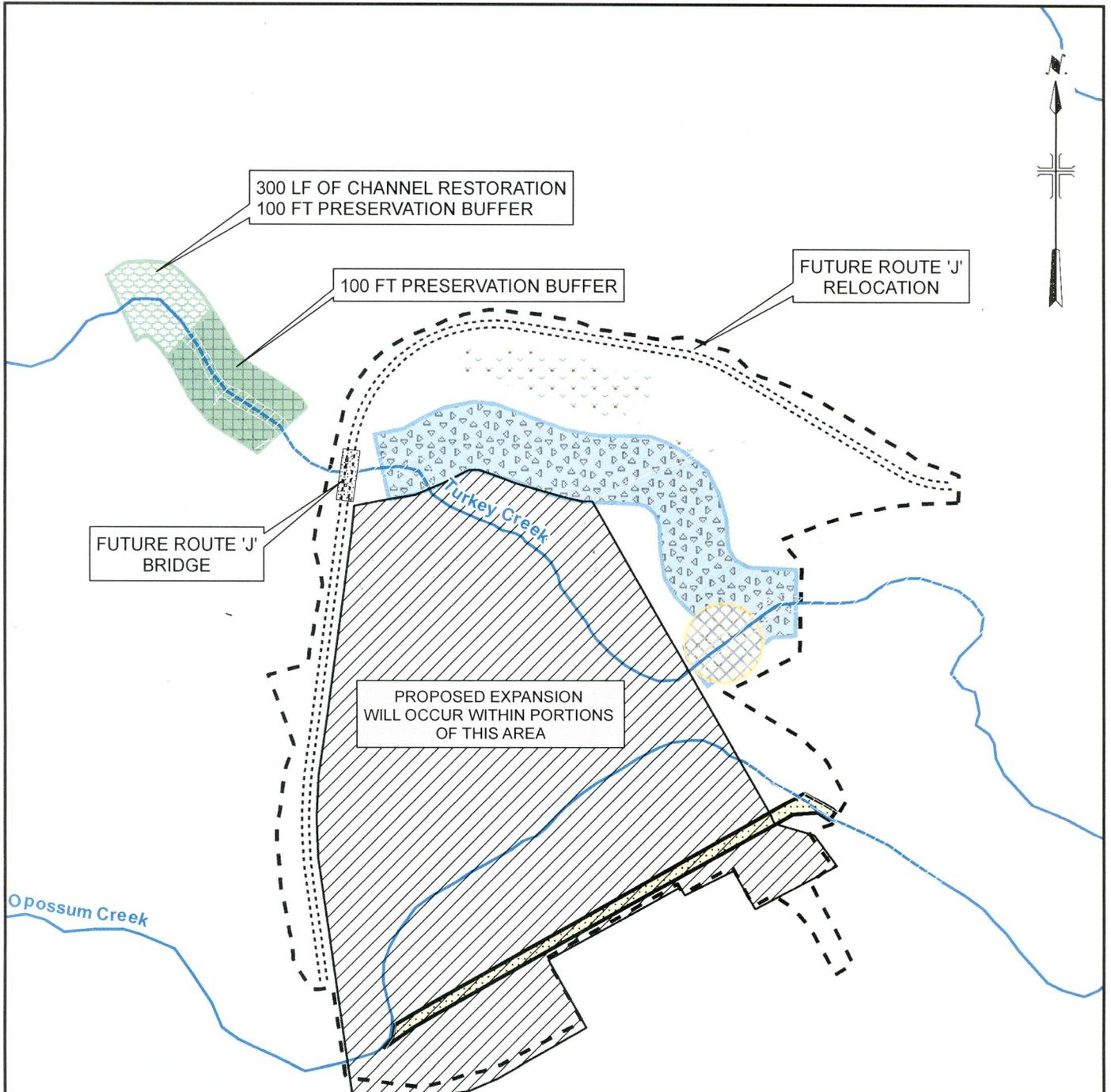
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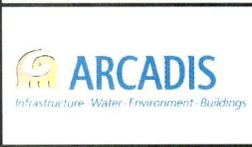
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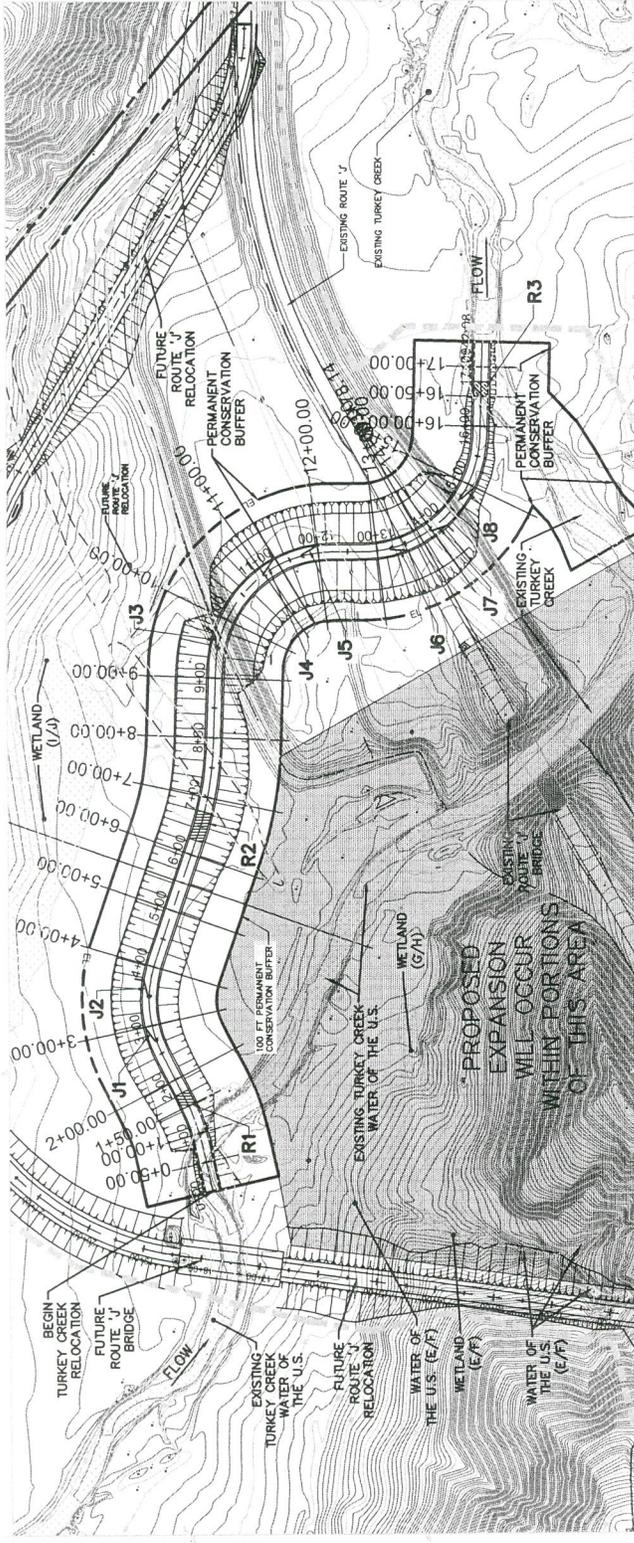
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	PROPOSED OPOSSUM CREEK RELOCATION
	PROPOSED WETLAND MITIGATION AREA
PROPOSED STREAM MITIGATION	
	RIPARIAN PRESERVATION AREA
	BANK RESTORATION AND RIPARIAN PRESERVATION AREA
	TURKEY CREEK RELOCATION AND RIPARIAN PRESERVATION AREA
(STREAM MITIGATION CREDITS ARE ALSO PROPOSED FOR PURCHASE THROUGH THE MISSOURI CONSERVATION HERITAGE FOUNDATION STREAM STEWARDSHIP TRUST FUND)	



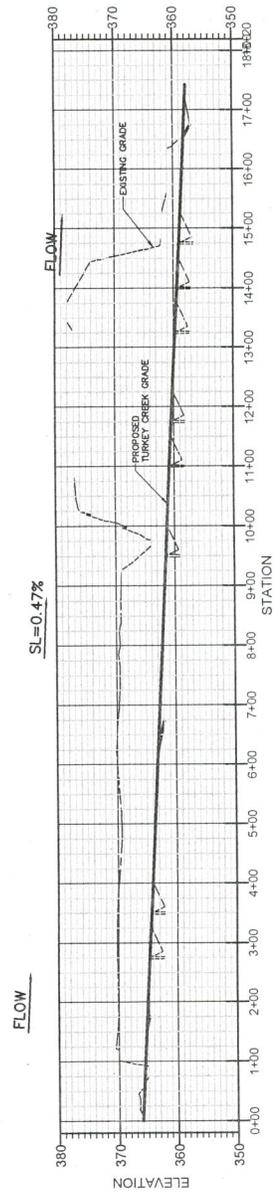
THE PROCTER & GAMBLE PAPER PRODUCTS COMPANY
GATEWAY EXPANSION PROJECT

SECTION 404/401 PERMIT APPLICATION
MITIGATION AREA MAP
 CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY, MISSOURI

FEBRUARY 2012
 FIGURE 5-1



PLAN



PROFILE

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 ROCK J-HOOK
 CONSTRUCTED RIFFLE

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CONCEPTUAL STREAM MITIGATION PLAN
 PLAN AND PROFILE

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE PAPER PRODUCTS COMPANY
 CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY, MISSOURI
GATEWAY EXPANSION PROJECT
 404/401 CONCEPTUAL MITIGATION PLAN

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OUR PUBLIC NOTICES ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB AT OUR ST. LOUIS DISTRICT HOME PAGE (<http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/ConOps/permits/pn.htm>). If you have any trouble, please call Danny McClendon at (314) 331-8574 or by e-mail to: Danny.D.McClendon@usace.army.mil

WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO REDUCE OUR PUBLIC NOTICE MAILING COSTS; CHECK OUR WEB PAGE THEN CONTACT US TO HAVE YOUR NAMED REMOVED FROM OUR MAILING LIST, please call Jaynie Doerr at (314) 331-8581, or by email to: Jaynie.G.Doerr@usace.army.mil, or mail this cover-sheet to the St. Louis District, OD-F, 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, MO 63103-2833, ATTN: Regulatory Branch, indicating that your name or company named be removed. Changes to our mailing list may take a few weeks to take effect.

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