



# Public Notice

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

Public Notice No.  
P-2418  
Public Notice Date  
May 26, 2004

Expiration Date  
June 15, 2004

**Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:**

File Number: 2004002890

Interested parties are hereby notified that a request has been received for a Department of the Army, Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act permit, to moor an additional 160-foot by 30-foot barge at the existing Gateway Arch Riverboat Dock, see attached map and drawing.

**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 (**June 15, 2004**) 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  
ATTN: CO-F (Charles Frerker)  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

**APPLICANT:** Captain Gary L. Desnoyer, Gateway Arch Riverboats, 707 North First Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102, (314) 923-3013.

**LOCATION:** The project site is located at 50 South Leonor K. Sullivan Boulevard, along the right descending bank of the Mississippi River at approximate river mile 179.8, in St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri (See Location Map).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant requests permission to permanently moor a 30 x 160-foot barge and a 6 x 60-foot gangway ramp with necessary mooring winches. The proposed barge would be situated directly adjacent and immediately downstream of the applicant's existing floating facility. The proposed barge would be utilized as docking facilities for the Tom Sawyer and Becky Thatcher excursion vessels and to expand the existing facility operations. Approximate 7/8-inch diameter wire would be used to moor the barge to existing deadmen structures found in the riverfront's cobblestone lined bank. (See Attached Drawing).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Additional information may be obtained by contacting Charles Frerker, Rivers Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (314) 331-8583 or at electronic mail address: *charles.frerker@mvs02.usace.army.mil*

**AUTHORITY:** This permit will be processed under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Request for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding the public hearing.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The proposed project is within the range of the endangered Indiana bat (**Myotis sodalis**), Gray bat (**Myotis grisescens**), and the threatened Bald eagle (**Haliaeetus leucocephalus**). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that the proposed activity is not likely to affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, written comments are solicited by this public notice from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** 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.

**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 described activity will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those 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.

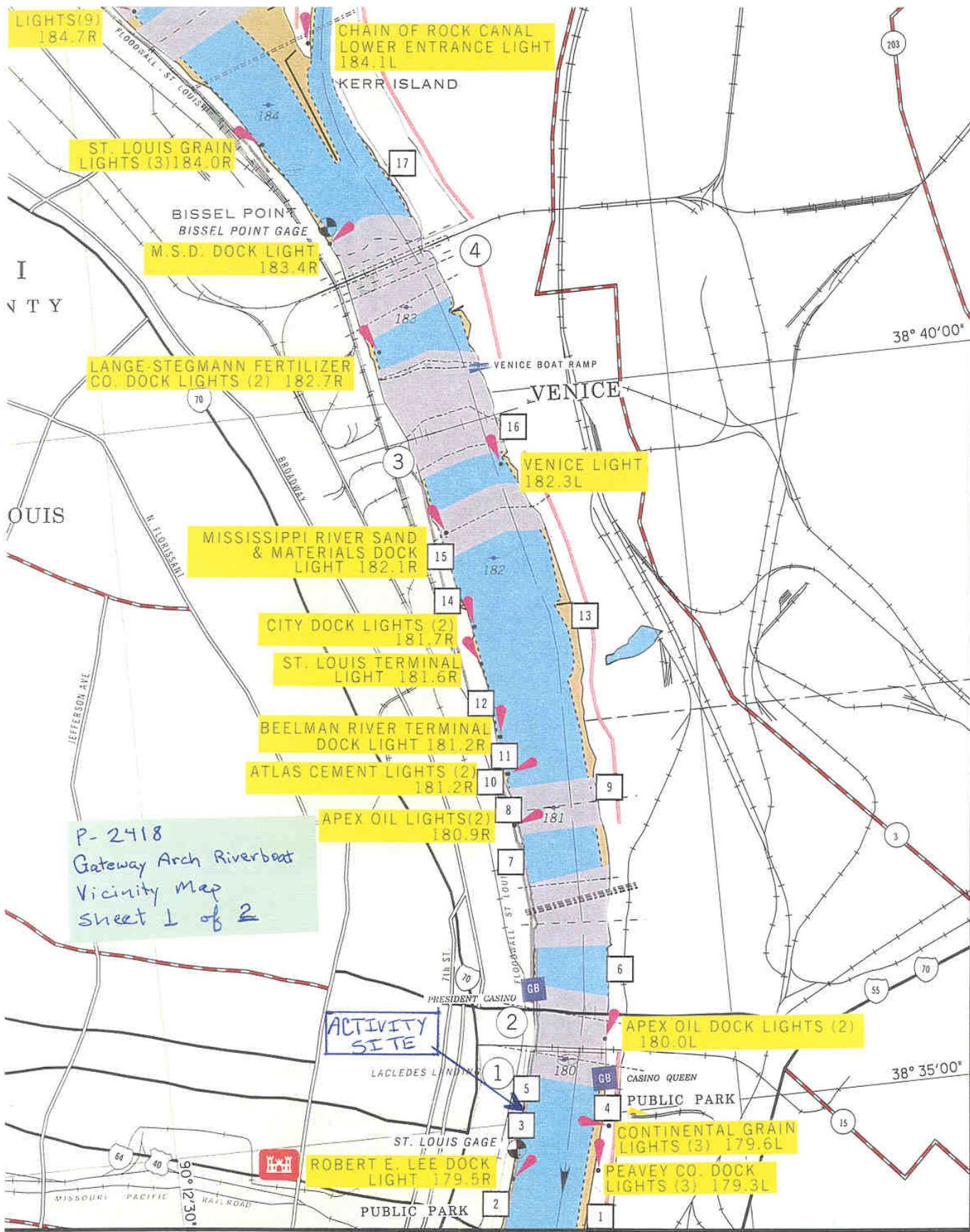
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of these proposed activities. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army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

**NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:**

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of issuance of this notice. The public notice comment period expires on **June 15, 2004.**



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ST. LOUIS GRAIN LIGHTS (3) 184.0R

BISEL POINT  
BISEL POINT GAGE  
M.S.D. DOCK LIGHT 183.4R

LANGE-STEMMANN FERTILIZER CO. DOCK LIGHTS (2) 182.7R

VENICE LIGHT 182.3L

MISSISSIPPI RIVER SAND & MATERIALS DOCK LIGHT 182.1R

CITY DOCK LIGHTS (2) 181.7R

ST. LOUIS TERMINAL LIGHT 181.6R

BEELMAN RIVER TERMINAL DOCK LIGHT 181.2R

ATLAS CEMENT LIGHTS (2) 181.2R

APEX OIL LIGHTS (2) 180.9R

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Gateway Arch Riverboat  
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ACTIVITY SITE

APEX OIL DOCK LIGHTS (2) 180.0L

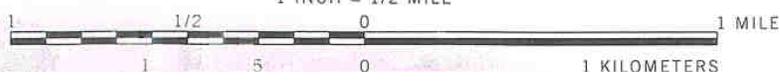
CASINO QUEEN  
PUBLIC PARK

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ROBERT E. LEE DOCK LIGHT 179.5R

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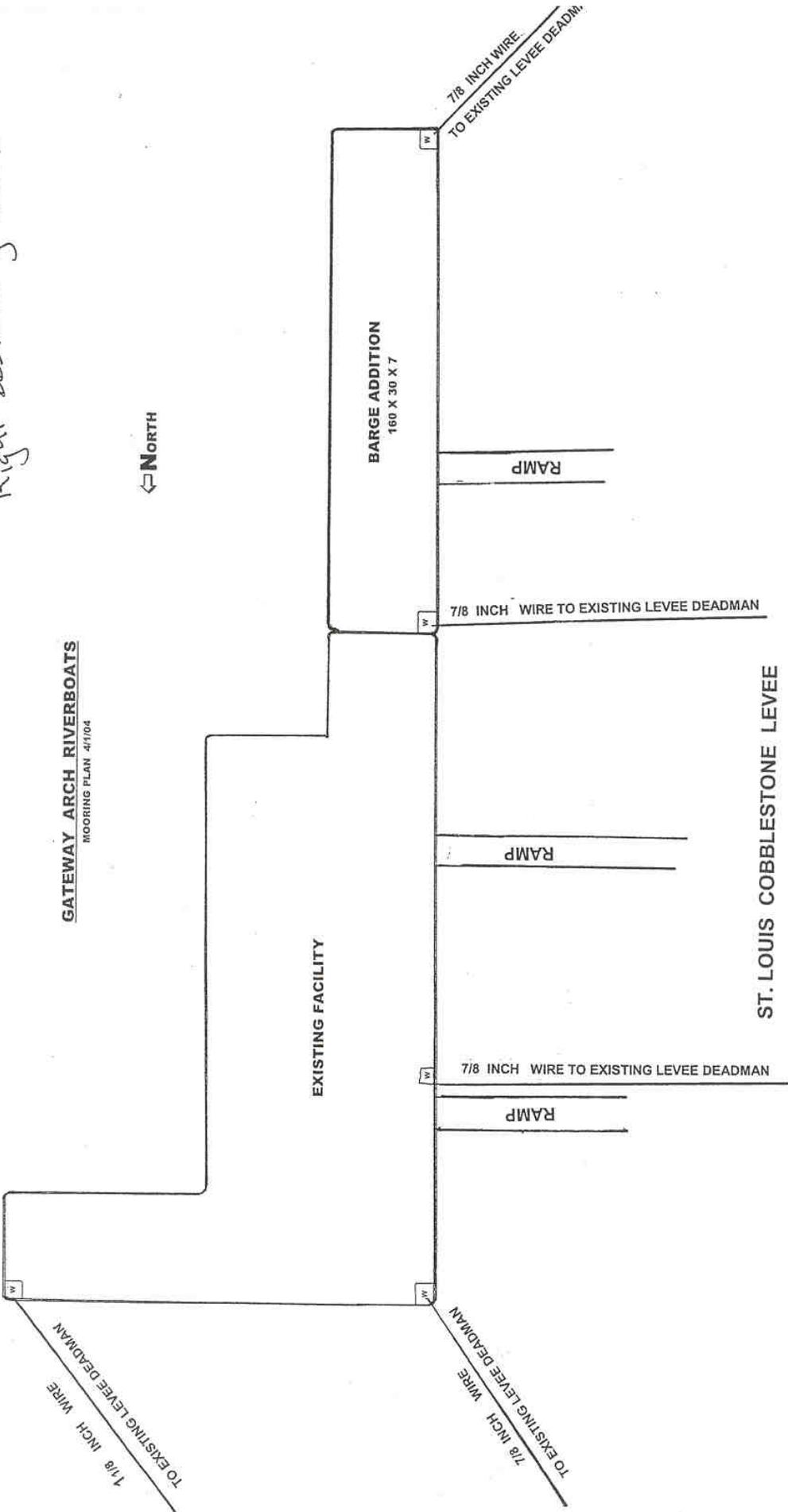
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MAP NO. 96  
RIVER MILE 180 TO 187

Mississippi River Mile 179.8  
Right Descending Bank

**GATEWAY ARCH RIVERBOATS**  
MOORING PLAN 4/1/04



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Site Plan  
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