

# 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-3061**

Public Notice Date

**July 17, 2017**

Expiration Date

**August 10, 2017**

**Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:**

File Number: MVS-2017-167

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:

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(Regulatory Branch)  
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St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833  
ATTN: Alan Edmondson

**APPLICANT:** Marathon Pipe Line, LLC., 539 South Main Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840.

**LOCATION:** The project is located on the left descending bank of Mississippi River mile 196.3, Madison County, Illinois. Specifically, the project is located on the Wood River USGS quadrangle map, latitude 38:49:37.429, longitude -90:06:30.905.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant requests permission to conduct maintenance dredging operations at its' Wood River Barge Dock facility in Madison County, Illinois. Historically, Marathon could load barges at the docking facility without the barges touching bottom, but because of yearly low water flows and increased sedimentation/siltation, loading operations have become increasingly more difficult. Presently, the company is only able to load during times of high water. The area to be dredged is approximately 260 feet long and 30 feet wide and adjacent to the docking facility. The minimal amount of material will be removed to deepen the area, with maintenance occurring as necessary. Approximately 1,000 cubic yards of accumulated sediment material will be removed with a clamshell dredge perched atop a spud barge. The dredge will be transferred to storage containers within the loading facility. Once dewatered, the dredged material will be transported via truck to an approved receiving facility in Illinois. The proposed project does not involve a Section 404 Clean Water Act permit, and therefore does not trigger the need for a Section 401 water quality certification from the State of Illinois.

**LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS:** See attached.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Additional information may be obtained by contacting Alan Edmondson, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (314) 331-8811. Your inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or by e-mail to [Alan.Edmondson@usace.army.mil](mailto:Alan.Edmondson@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).

**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:** The proposed project is within range of the endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*), least tern (*Sterna antillarum*), Spectaclecase mussel (*Cumberlandia monodonta*) and the threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), Decurrent false aster (*Boltonia decurrens*) and Eastern prairie fringed orchid (*Platanthera leucophaea*). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that the proposed maintenance dredge activities are not likely to adversely affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, comments are hereby solicited from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** The St. Louis District will evaluate any information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer, tribal interests and the public in response to this public notice. In addition, issuance of this proposed action would prompt renewal of previously established requirements to avoid and protect a known cultural resource site in vicinity of the project area. Additional reconnaissance surveys of the project area may be required if warranted.

**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. 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.

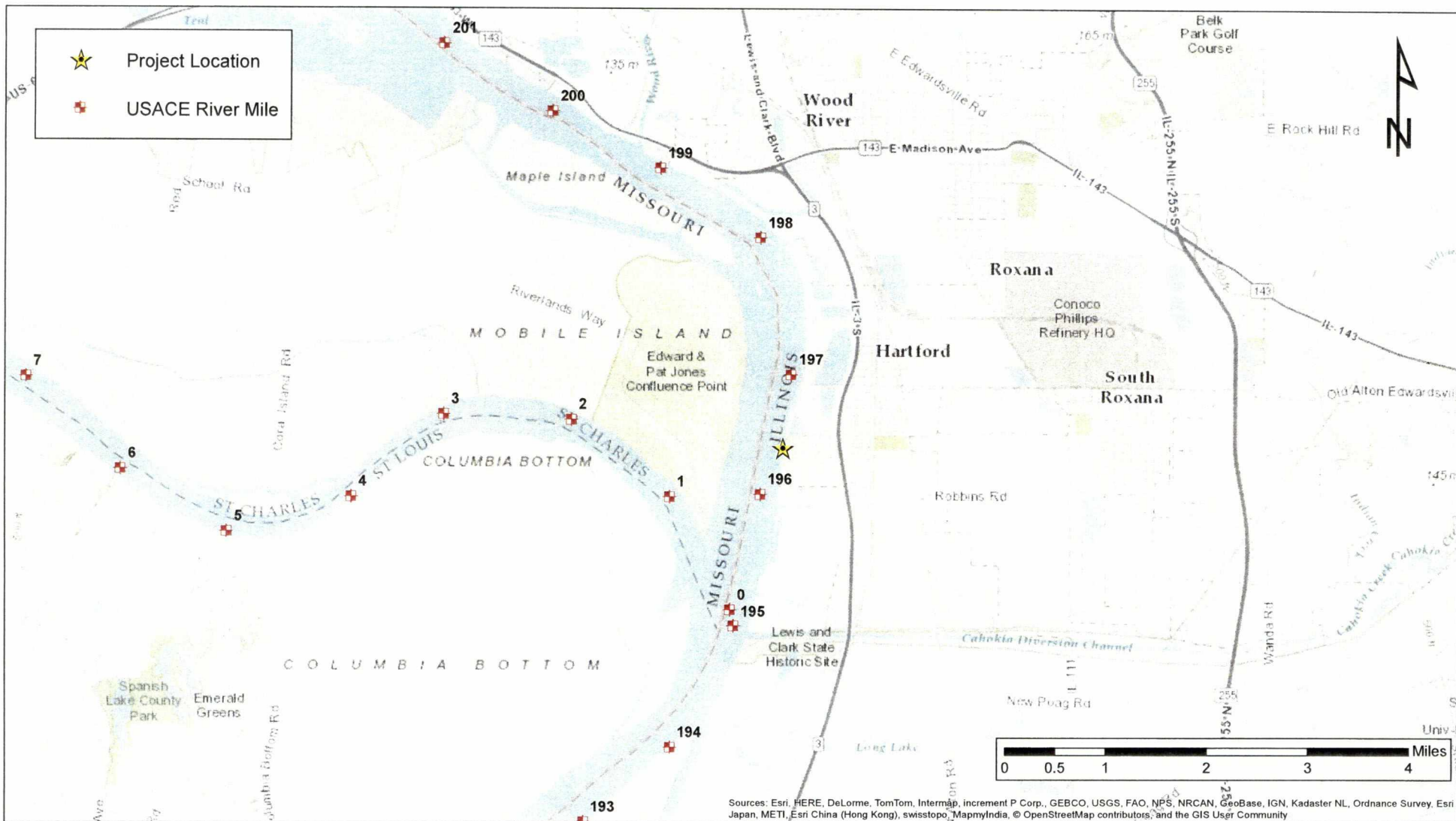
  
DANNY D. MCCLENDON  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Attachments:

- 1-Site Map
- 1-Aerial Photo
- 1-Dredging Cross-Section

**NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:**

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.

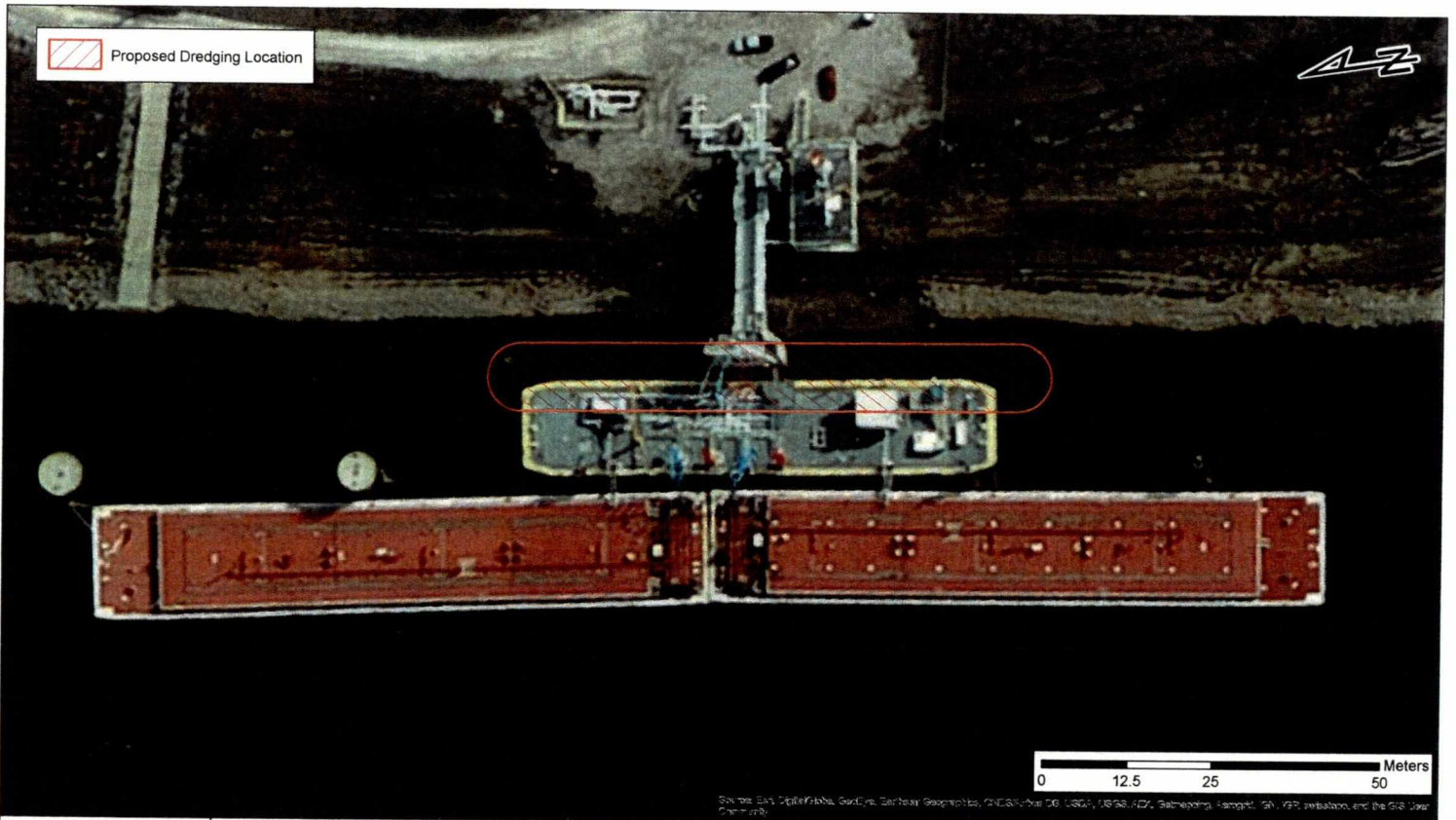


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Site Map  
 Maintenance Dredging Location; East Bank  
 Mississippi River, Madison County Illinois

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Figure 1



 Proposed Dredging Location

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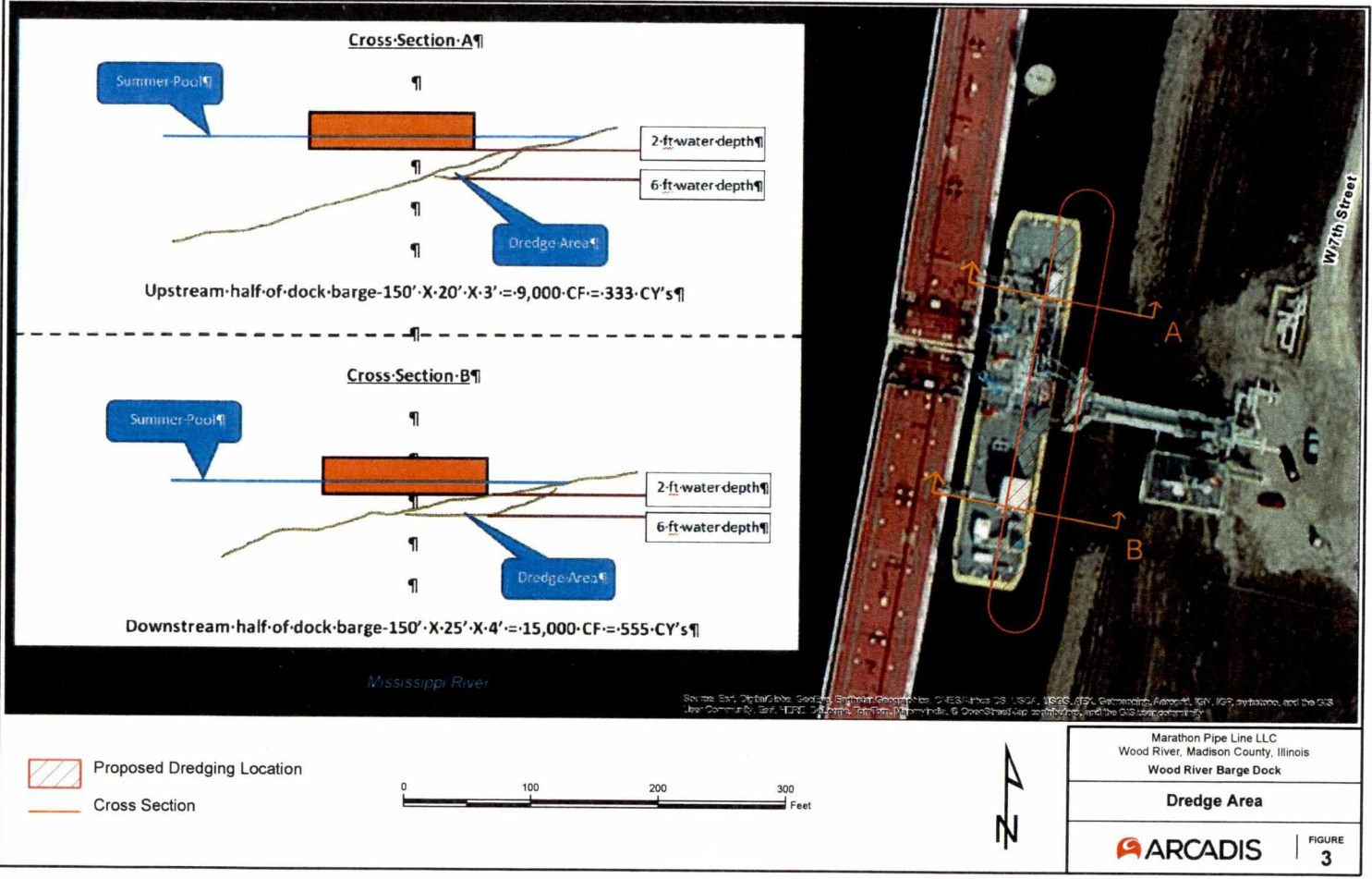


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Wood River Barge Dock  
Maintenance Dredge Location; East Bank  
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Figure 2



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