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Public Notice

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

Public Notice No.

P-3082

Public Notice Date

March 13, 2018

Expiration Date

April 03, 2018

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File Number: MVS-2017-952

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 map. Interested parties can also view the document online by accessing the following link: <http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/permits/pn.htm>

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
ATTN: CEMVS-OD-F (Alan Edmondson)
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

APPLICANTS: Marathon Pipe Line, LLC., 5825 East Cumberland Road, Martinsville, Illinois 62442-0573

LOCATION: The project area is located just southeast of the Village of Vernon, east of US-51 in Marion County, Illinois. The project is proposed to occur in wetlands, and an ephemeral stream, which flows into the North Fork, a tributary to Carlyle Lake. Carlyle Lake is an impoundment of the Kaskaskia River. Specifically, the project is located in the Northeast ¼ of Section 15, Township 04 North, Range 01 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian. Latitude: 38.79690° and Longitude: -89.08150°

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The purpose of the proposed development is to provide new petroleum storage service to the Patoka area. The proposed project involves the construction of five (5) new storage tanks and associated facility infrastructure. The construction of the five additional tanks will also require the construction of a new secondary containment berms/dikes, ingress/egress roads, connection pipes, and other associated facility upgrades.

The construction of five new above ground storage tanks, secondary containment berm, and associated infrastructure will result in unavoidable and permanent impacts to approximately 4.16 acres of emergent wetland. The tank dikes are needed in that they act as a secondary containment structure in the event of a failure of a storage tank and reduce release of any materials to the adjacent property or waterways. To minimize impacts, MPL reviewed multiple layout designs but due to the number of tanks, the tank design requirements associated with tank height and spacing as well as tank dike containment requirements, the impacts are unavoidable.

The direct environmental effects of this project will likely be limited to the permanent impact to the affected waters of the U.S. and limited short-term disruption to wildlife avoiding the area due to the construction activity. Wildlife utilization of the Project Area and the overall Tank Farm parcels is assumed to be very limited due to the amount of disturbance already present in this industrial setting and the noise and activity levels that are constantly present.

To compensate for the permanent loss of waters of the U.S. resulting from the proposed project, MPL proposes to utilize an approved wetland mitigation bank, Fountain Creek Mitigation Bank. Based on preliminary discussions with both the USACE and with personnel at the Fountain Creek Mitigation Bank, it is anticipated that this mitigation bank will be utilized for the purchase of the appropriate number of mitigation credits to offset the permanent loss of 4.16 acres of low-quality emergent wetlands.

DRAWINGS: See Attached

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information may be obtained by telephoning Mr. Alan Edmondson, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (314) 331-8811 or at electronic mail address: Alan.R.Edmondson@usace.army.mil

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

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: This public notice also provides documentation to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) for water quality certification, or waiver thereof, for the proposed activity in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

Certification or waiver indicates that IEPA believes the activity will not violate applicable water quality standards. The review by the IEPA is conducted in accordance with the Illinois water quality standards under 35 Illinois Administrative Code Subtitle C.

The water quality standards provide for the IEPA to review individual projects by providing an antidegradation assessment, which includes an evaluation of alternatives to any proposed increase in pollutant loading that may result from this activity. The "Fact Sheet" containing the antidegradation assessment for this proposed project may be found on the

IEPA's web site, at <http://www.epa.illinois.gov/public-notice/section-401-notice/index>. The information pertaining to the Section 401 of the Clean Water Act is currently published for review by the IEPA at the web site identified above.

You may also obtain a copy of the "Fact Sheet" by contacting the IEPA at the address or telephone number shown below. Written comments specifically concerning possible impacts to water quality should be addressed to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
Watershed Management Section
1021 N. Grand Avenue East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

A copy of all written comments should also be provided to the Corps of Engineers. If you have any questions please contact the IEPA at (217) 782-0610.

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 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 Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*, Endangered), Northern Long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*, Threatened), and Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid (*Platanthera leucophaea*, Threatened). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that this proposed activity is not likely to affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, 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 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, which 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.



for 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 this issuance of this notice.

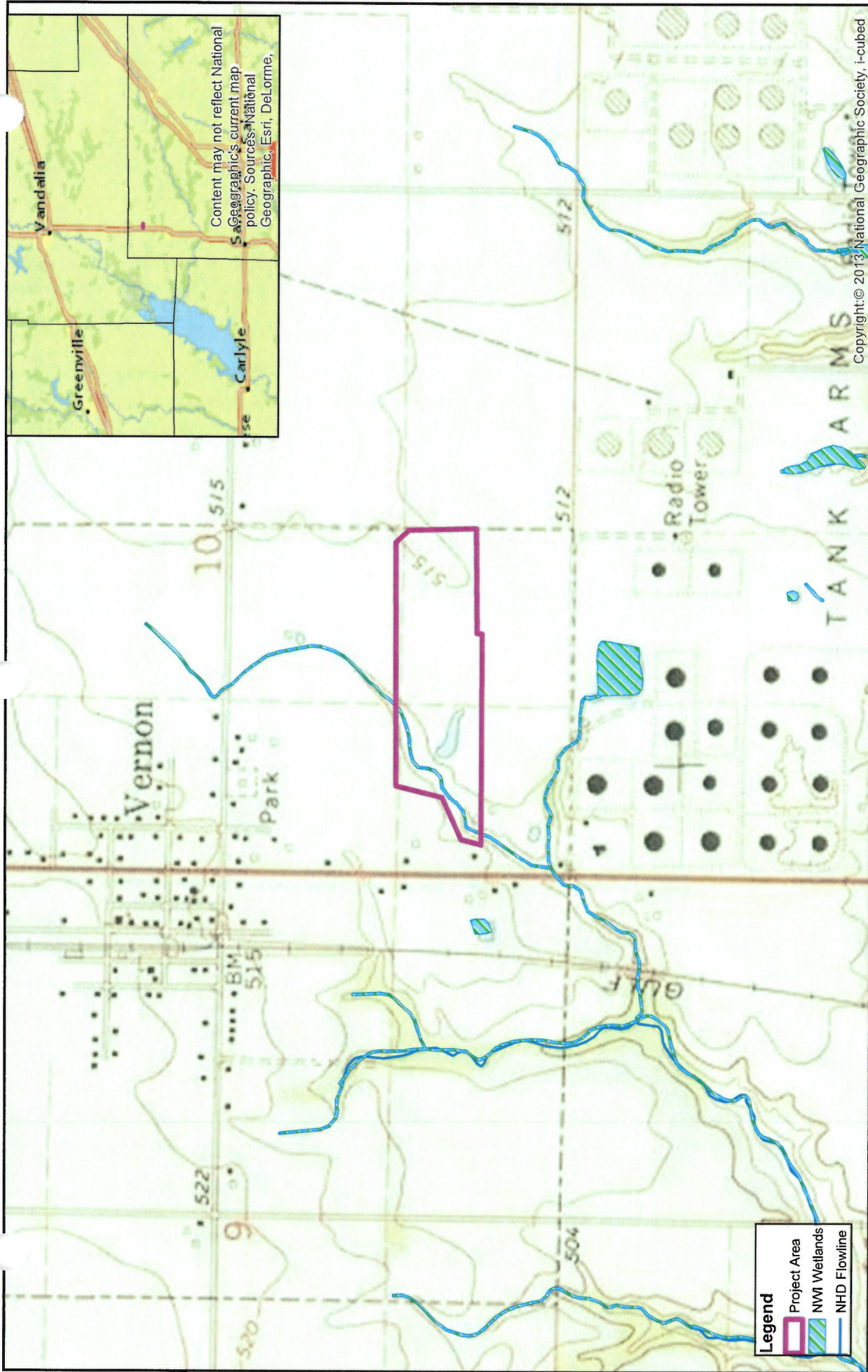


Figure 1 - Topographical Map

Patoka Tank Farm
Marion County, Illinois



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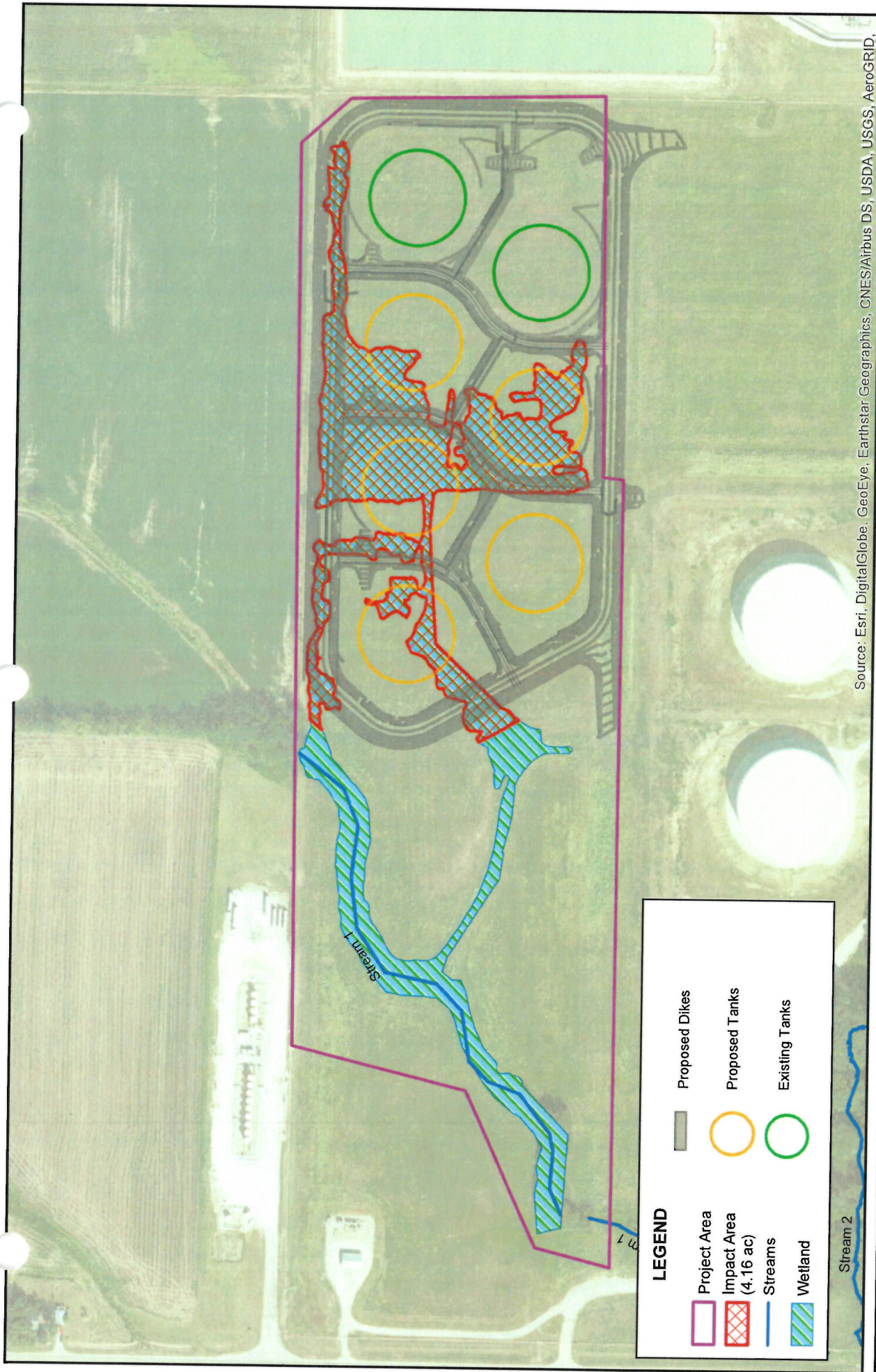


Figure 5 - Proposed Impacts

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