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# PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant:  
Trappe Investments, LLC  
PN-25-14

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**Baltimore District**  
**Permit Application No. NAB-2025-60109-TREC**

The Baltimore District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1344) and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. §403). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

**APPLICANT:** Trappe Investments, LLC  
130 Meadows Ridge Road  
Mt. Morris, Pennsylvania 15349

**AGENT:** Dani Racine  
Lane Engineering, LLC  
117 Bay Street  
Easton, Maryland 21601

**WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** The project would affect waters of the United States and navigable waters of the United States associated with the Choptank River. The project/review area is located at 2621 Jamaica Point Road; at Latitude 38.6219 and Longitude -75.9954; in Trappe, Talbot County, Maryland.

**EXISTING CONDITIONS:** The project area consist of a residential lot with a dock and existing breakwaters. The site currently has existing breakwaters that have been in place for over 30 years.

**PROJECT PURPOSE:** Shoreline Stabilization

**Basic:** Shoreline Stabilization

**Overall:** Stabilize 315 linear feet of shoreline at the project location.

**PROPOSED WORK:** The applicant requests authorization to stabilize 315 linear feet of shoreline with three offshore breakwaters. The breakwaters will be a total of 195 feet long and 19 feet wide (65 feet each). They will be 60 feet channelward of the Mean High-Water line.

**AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION:** The applicant has presented alternative project designs in an attempt to minimize the footprint of this project. These alternatives include the use of a bulkhead; riprap; or living shoreline. The Corps will work with the applicant to achieve the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative.

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:** The applicant has provided the following explanation why compensatory mitigation should not be required: The project is for shoreline stabilization and the applicant believes that this project has been minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** The Corps evaluated the undertaking pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) utilizing its existing program-specific regulations and procedures along with 36 CFR Part 800. The Corps' program-specific procedures include 33 CFR 325, Appendix C, and revised interim guidance issued in 2005 and 2007, respectively. The District Engineer consulted district files and records and the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places and initially determines that:

No historic properties (i.e., properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places) are present within the Corps' permit area; therefore, there will be no historic properties affected. The Corps subsequently requests concurrence from the State Historic Preservation Office, and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer.

The District Engineer's final eligibility and effect determination will be based upon coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office, and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, as appropriate and required, and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The Corps has performed an initial review of the application, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Information for Planning and Consultation, and National Marine Fisheries Service Section 7 Mapper to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as the proposed and final designated critical habitat may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project will not affect any listed species or critical habitat.

ESA-listed species and/or critical habitat potentially present in the action area.

<b>Species Common Name and/or Critical Habitat Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Federal Status</b>
Atlantic Sturgeon	<i>Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus</i>	Endangered
Shortnose Sturgeon	<i>Acipenser brevirostrum</i>	Endangered
Green Sea Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	Threatened
Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle	<i>Lepidochelys kempii</i>	Endangered
Leatherback Sea Turtle	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>	Endangered
Loggerhead Sea Turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	Threatened

This notice serves as request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service for any additional information on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species or critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the proposed activity.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:** Pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996, the Corps reviewed the project area, examined information provided by the applicant, and consulted available species information.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Our initial determination is that the proposed action may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat and/or fisheries managed by Fishery Management Councils and the National Marine Fisheries Service. Implementation of the proposed project would directly impact approximately 0.09 acres of marine habitat. The effects of the project are determined to be minimal and permanent. These habitat(s) are utilized by the following species and their various life stages:

<b>Species/Management Unit</b>	<b>Lifestage(s) Found at Location</b>	<b>Management Council</b>	<b>FMP</b>
Atlantic Herring	Adult, Juvenile	New England	Amendment 3 to the Atlantic Herring FMP
Bluefish	Adult, Juvenile	Mid-Atlantic	Bluefish
Clearence Skate	Adult, Juvenile	New England	Amendment 2 to the Northeast Skate Complex FMP
Red Hake	Adult, Eggs/Larvae/Juvenile	New England	Amendment 14 to the Northeast Multispecies FMP
Summer Flounder	Adult, Juvenile	Mid-Atlantic	Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass
Windowpane Flounder	Juvenile	New England	Amendment 14 to the Northeast Multispecies FMP

Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

**NAVIGATION:** The proposed structure or activity is not located in the vicinity of a federal navigation channel.

**SECTION 408:** The applicant will not require permission under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 408) because the activity, in whole or in part, would not alter, occupy, or use a Corps Civil Works project.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** Water Quality Certification may be required from the Maryland Department of the Environment.

**NOTE:** This public notice is being issued based on information furnished by the applicant. This information has not been verified or evaluated to ensure compliance with laws and regulation governing the regulatory program. The geographic extent of aquatic resources within the proposed project area that either are, or are presumed to be, within the Corps jurisdiction has not been verified by Corps personnel.

**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That 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 including cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics,

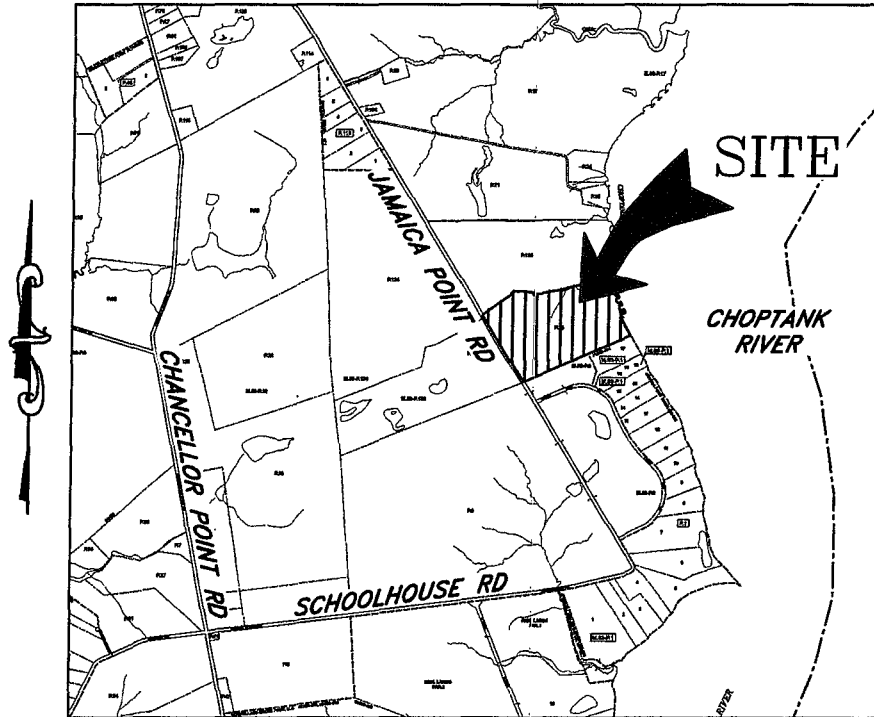
esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food, and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, EPA, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act or the criteria established under authority of Section 102(a) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

**COMMENTS:** The Corps 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 this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) 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.

The NAB District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until April 17, 2025. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to Kristin Andrade at [kristin.b.andrade@usace.army.mil](mailto:kristin.b.andrade@usace.army.mil) Alternatively, you may submit comments in writing to the Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, NAB District, Attention: Kristin Andrade, 2 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, Maryland, 21201. Please refer to the permit application number in your comments.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.

**SHORELINE STABILIZATION PERMIT DRAWINGS  
 PREPARED FOR  
 TRAPPE INVESTMENTS, LLC  
 IN THE THIRD ELECTION DISTRICT  
 TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND**



**VICINITY MAP**  
 SCALE: 1" = 3,000'

ENGINEER

OWNER/DEVELOPER

PROJECT LOCATION

**Lane Engineering, LLC**  
 117 BAY STREET  
 EASTON, MD 21601  
 (410) 822-8003

TRAPPE INVESTMENTS, LLC  
 C/O SCOTT KIGER  
 130 MEADOWS RIDGE ROAD  
 MT. MORRIS, PA 15349  
 (304) 282-9999

2621 JAMAICA POINT ROAD  
 TRAPPE, MD 21673

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**TITLE SHEET**  
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 TAX MAP 59, GRID 23, PARCEL 23

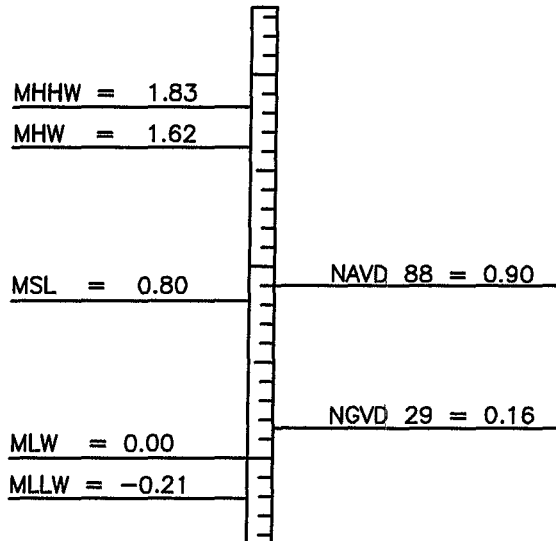
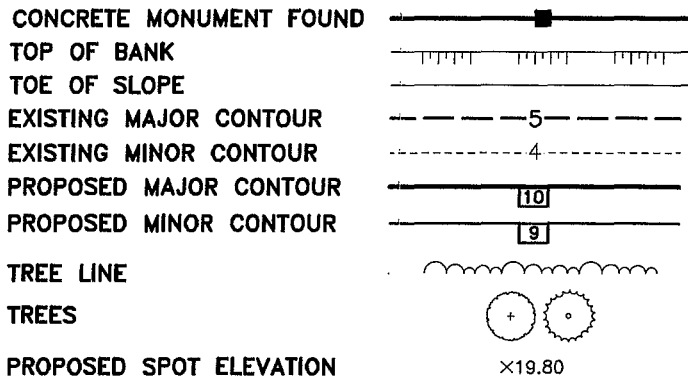
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**LEGEND & ABBREVIATIONS**

MHW MEAN HIGH WATER (APPROXIMATE)  
 MLW MEAN LOW WATER (APPROXIMATE)  
 TYP TYPICAL



**VERTICAL DATUM COMPARISON CHART**

SCALE: 1"=1'

NOTE: MEAN LOW WATER (MLW) AND RELATIVE TIDAL INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA) AND THE NATIONAL OCEANIC SERVICE (NOS) AND ARE BASED UPON TIDAL BENCH MARK CAMBRIDGE (STATION ID: 8571892) TIDAL EPOCH 1983-2001.

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TAX MAP 59, PARCEL 135  
 JOHN D. FREITAG  
 DENISE L. FREITAG  
 2799 JAMAICA POINT ROAD  
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CHOPTANK RIVER

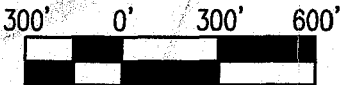
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 (APPLICANT)

WORK AREA  
 SEE INSET  
 SHEETS 5 & 6

TAX MAP 63, PARCEL 1, LOT 17  
 JAMAICA POINT, LLC  
 6124 RAMSHORN DRIVE  
 MCLEAN, VA 22101

JAMAICA POINT ROAD

NAD (CORS) 88  
 MARYLAND STATE PLANE



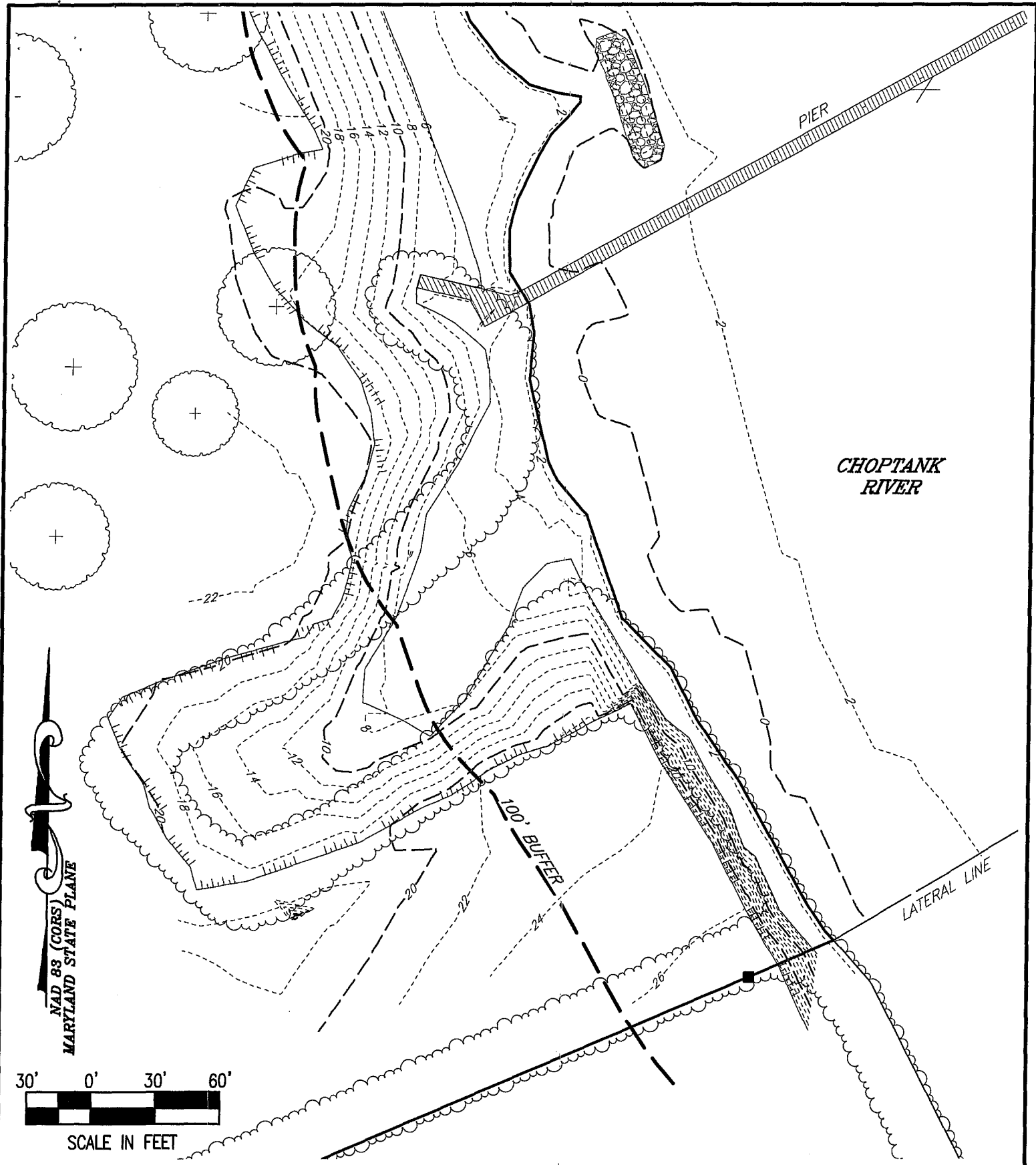
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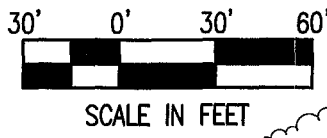
**SITE OVERVIEW**  
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**EXISTING CONDITIONS**

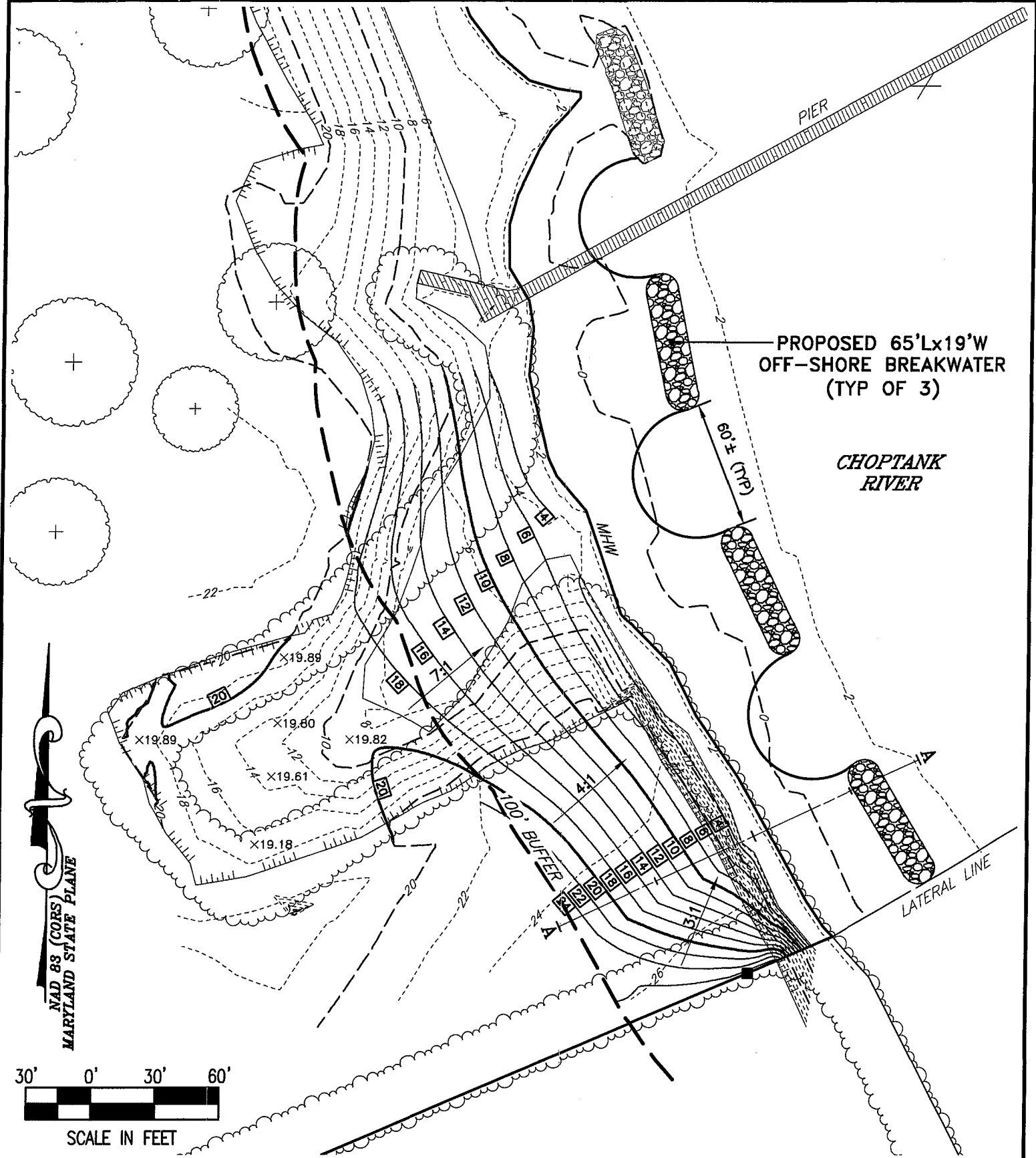
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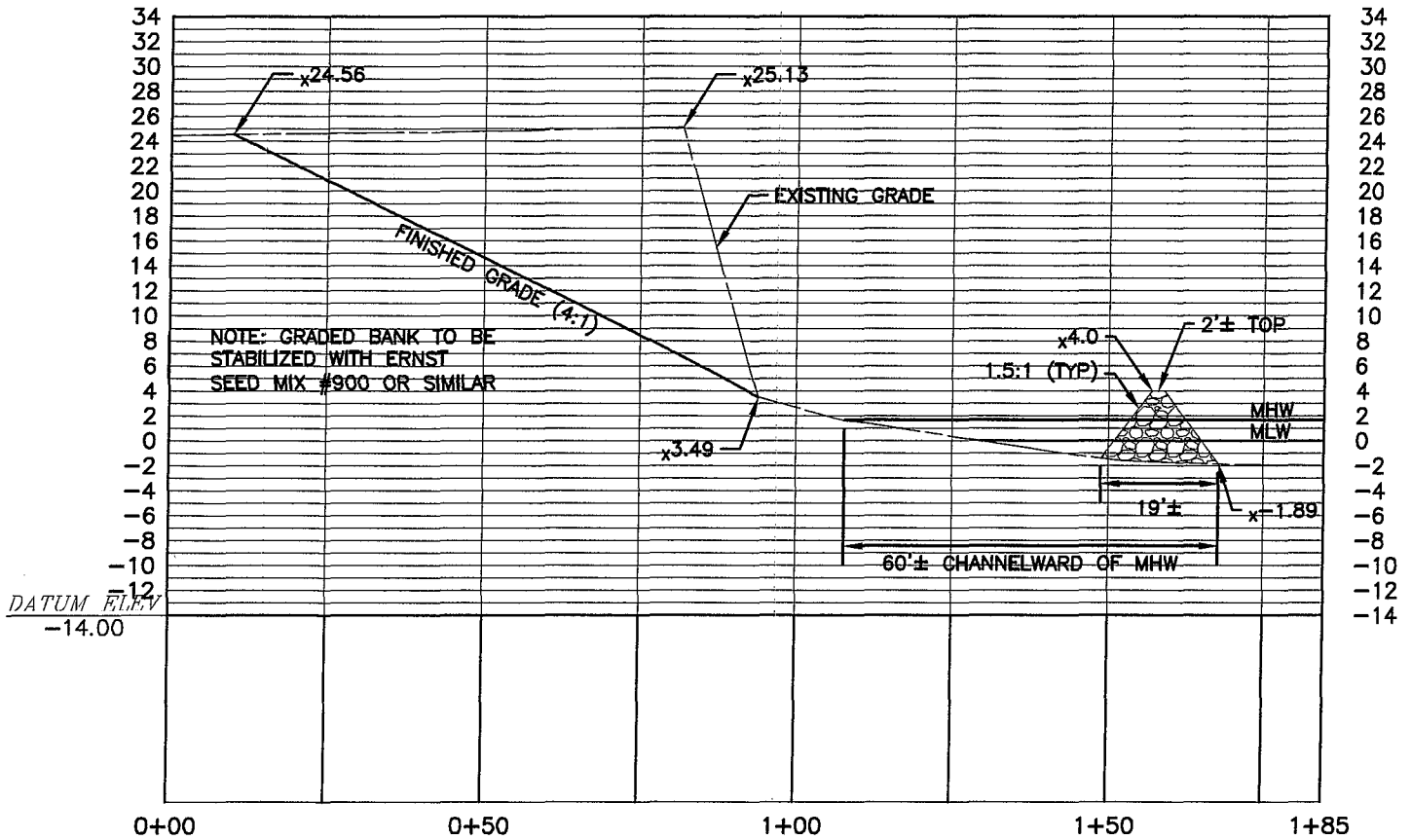
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**PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS**  
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**SECTION A-A**

HORIZONTAL SCALE: 1" = 30'  
 VERTICAL SCALE: 1" = 15'

**IMPACT SUMMARY**

PROPOSED STONE = 2,780 SF± / 566 CY±  
 PROPOSED GRADING = 42,491 SF±  
 CUT = 3,979 CY±/FILL = 3,972 CY±

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**DETAILS**

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