



PUBLIC NOTICE

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File Number: NAE-2007-1141
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The District Engineer has received a permit application from the applicant below to **conduct work in navigable waters of the United States** as described below. The Corps is soliciting comments on both the project itself and the range of issues to be addressed in the environmental documentation.

APPLICANT: SI DEVELOPMENT, LLC & CUTTS ISLAND GROUP, 134 MAIN STREET, SUITE 2, WINTHROP, MAINE 04364

ACTIVITY: Place fill below the high tide line and install seasonal floats in the Saco River, off Saco Island, at Saco, Maine in order to install a 69-slip seasonal marina as part of the redevelopment of the island with residential town homes and condominiums. Approximately 20,000 square feet of river bottom will be impacted as the existing timber and stone crib and granite block seawall is rebuilt. The granite block wall will be rebuilt in kind and in situ. The timber crib wall will be faced with a new steel sheet pile wall.

The marina configuration is shown on the attached plans. The floats will be bottom moored and accessed by ramps from shore. They will be made available to the owners of the upland residences. A holding tank pump station will be provided at Pier 1. No fueling is proposed at the facility.

WATERWAY AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED WORK: This work is proposed in the Saco River at Saco, Maine. The project site is located on the USGS BIDDEFORD, ME quadrangle sheet at latitude 43.4930306°N; and longitude 70.4463338°W.

AUTHORITY

Permits are required pursuant to:

- Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899
- Section 404 of the Clean Water Act
- Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act).

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed 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 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 the cumulative effects thereof; among those are: conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural value, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain value, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The 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 this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the 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 the 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.

Where the activity involves the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States or the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposing it in ocean waters, the evaluation of the impact of the activity in the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act, and/or Section 103 of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 as amended.

SECTION 106 COORDINATION

Based on his initial review, the District Engineer has determined that little likelihood exists for the proposed work to impinge upon properties with cultural or Native American significance, or listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, no further consideration of the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, is necessary. This determination is based upon one or more of the following:

- a. The permit area has been extensively modified by previous work.
- b. The permit area has been recently created.
- c. The proposed activity is of limited nature and scope.
- d. Review of the latest published version of the National Register shows that no presence of registered properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein are in the permit area or general vicinity.
- e. Coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s)

Pursuant to the **Endangered Species Act**, the District Engineer is hereby requesting that the appropriate Federal Agency provide comments regarding the presence of and potential impacts to listed species or its critical habitat.

The States of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island have approved **Coastal Zone Management Programs**. Where applicable the applicant states that any proposed activity will comply with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the approved Coastal Zone Management

Program. By this Public Notice, we are requesting the State concurrence or objection to the applicant's consistency statement.

The following authorizations have been applied for, or have been, or will be obtained:

- (X) Permit, License or Assent from State.
- (X) Permit from Local Wetland Agency or Conservation Commission.
- (X) Water Quality Certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

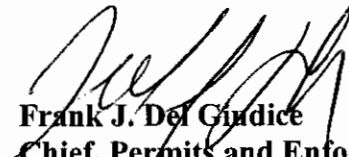
In order to properly evaluate the proposal, we are seeking public comment. Anyone wishing to comment is encouraged to do so. **Comments should be submitted in writing by the above date.** If you have any questions, please contact Jay Clement at 207-623-8367 at our Manchester, Maine Project Office.

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 a public hearing shall specifically state the reasons for holding a public hearing. The Corps holds public hearings for the purpose of obtaining public comments when that is the best means for understanding a wide variety of concerns from a diverse segment of the public.

The initial determinations made herein will be reviewed in light of facts submitted in response to this notice. All comments will be considered a matter of public record. Copies of letters of objection will be forwarded to the applicant who will normally be requested to contact objectors directly in an effort to reach an understanding.

For more information on the New England District Corps of Engineers programs, visit our website at <http://www.nae.usace.army.mil>.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.



Frank J. Del Giudice
Chief, Permits and Enforcement Branch
Regulatory Division

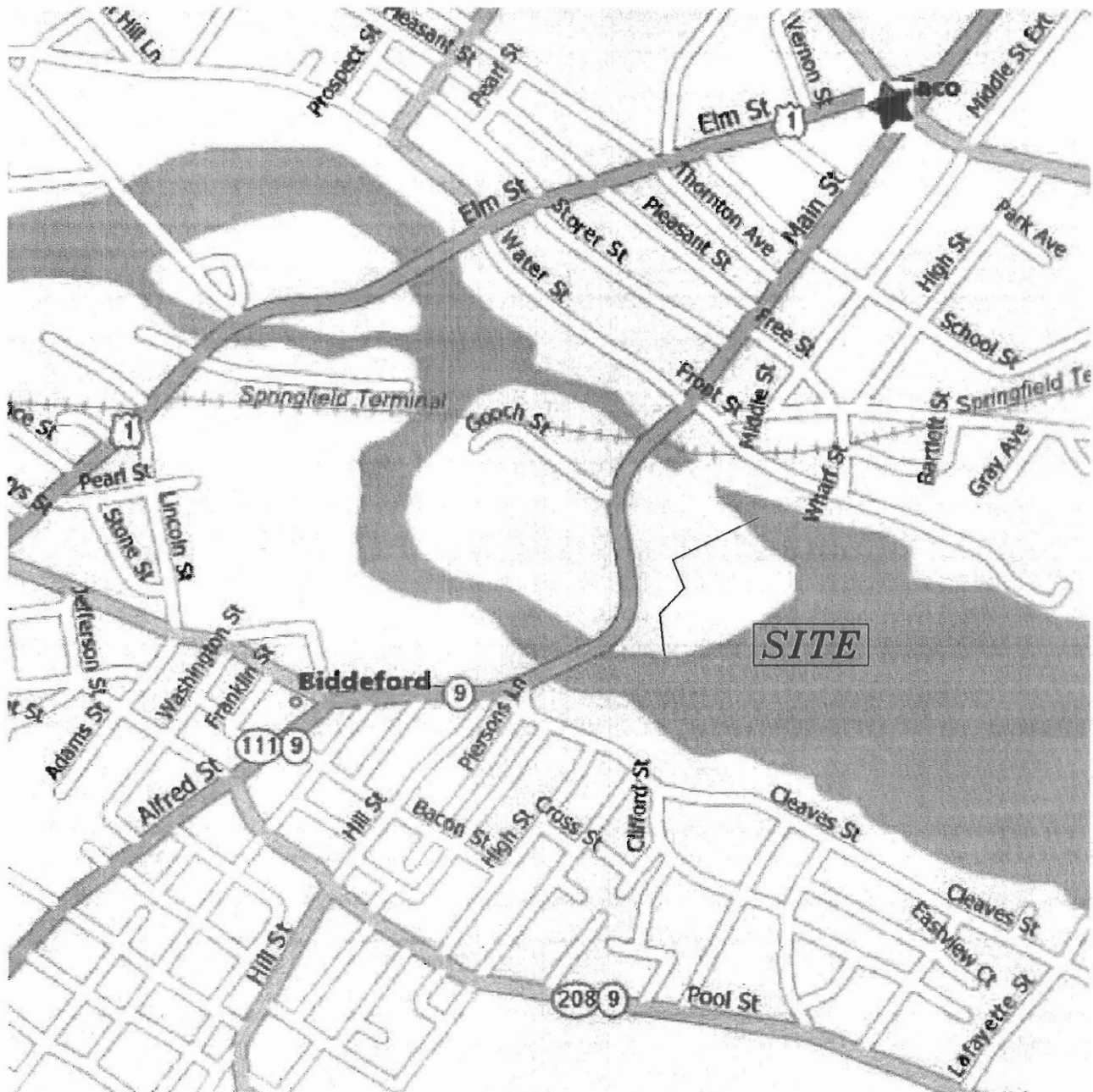
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NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PROPOSED WORK AND PURPOSE

The work involves the placement of fill below the high tide line and the installation of seasonal floats in the Saco River, off Saco Island, at Saco, Maine in order to install a 69-slip seasonal marina as part of the redevelopment of the island with residential town homes and condominiums. Approximately 20,000 square feet of river bottom will be impacted as the existing timber and stone crib and granite block seawall is rebuilt. The granite block wall will be rebuilt in kind and in situ. The timber crib wall will be faced with a new steel sheet pile wall.


The work is described on the enclosed plans entitled "SACO ISLAND MARINA DEVELOPMENT" on thirteen sheets, and dated "May 15, 2007".

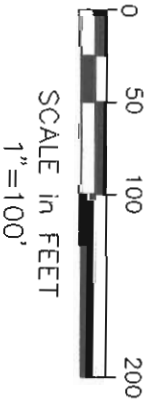
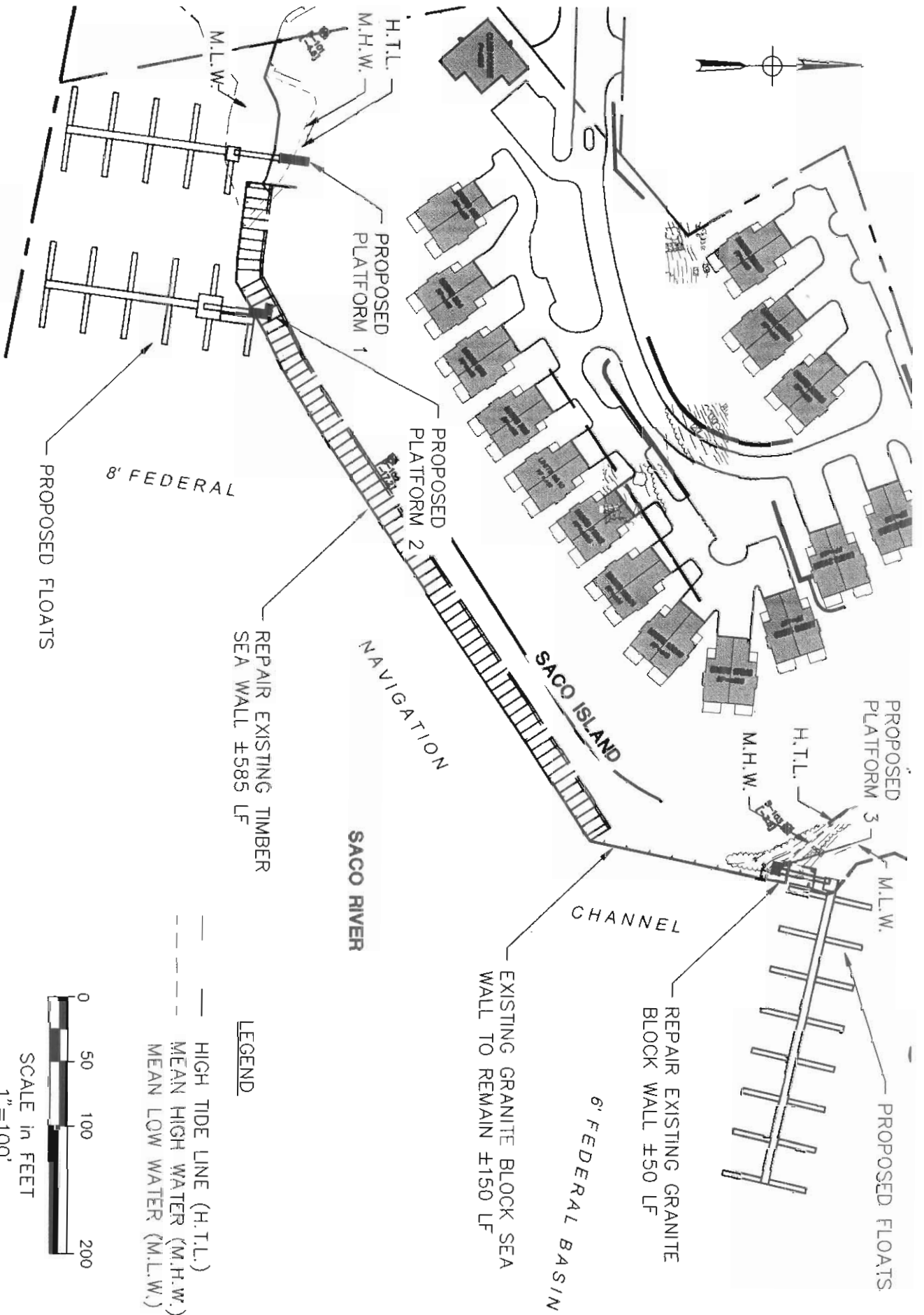


EAST PARCEL DEVELOPMENT AREA

NOT TO SCALE

SACO ISLAND MARINA DEVELOPMENT

	<p style="text-align: center;">Brown's Wharf Newburyport, MA 01950 (978) 465-9877</p>	<p>PREPARED FOR:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SI DEVELOPMENT AND CUTTS ISLAND GROUP WINTHROP, MAINE</p>
<p>DATE: MARCH 15, 2007</p> <p>PROJECT: 054109</p> <p>FIGURE: 1A</p>	<p>SITE:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SACO ISLAND SACO, MAINE</p>	



LEGEND

— HIGH TIDE LINE (H.T.L.)

- - - MEAN HIGH WATER (M.H.W.)

--- MEAN LOW WATER (M.L.W.)

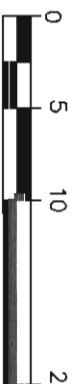
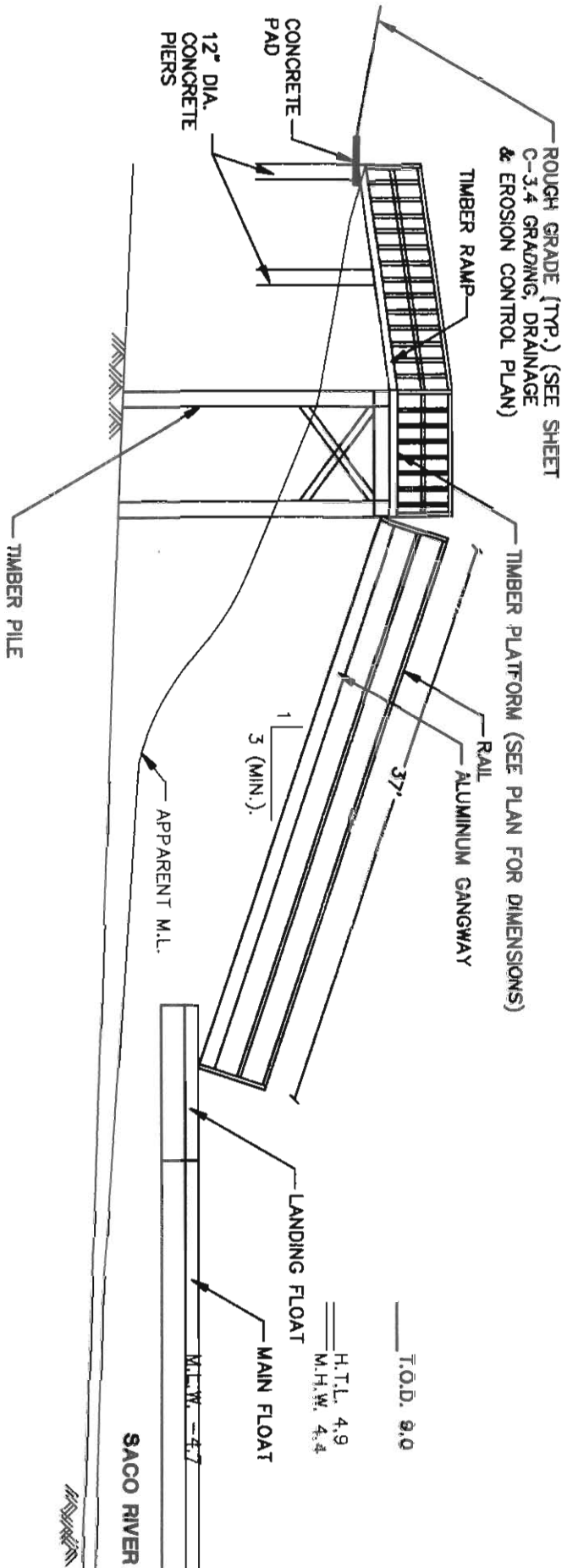
SEA WALL REPAIR PLAN

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FIGURE 2

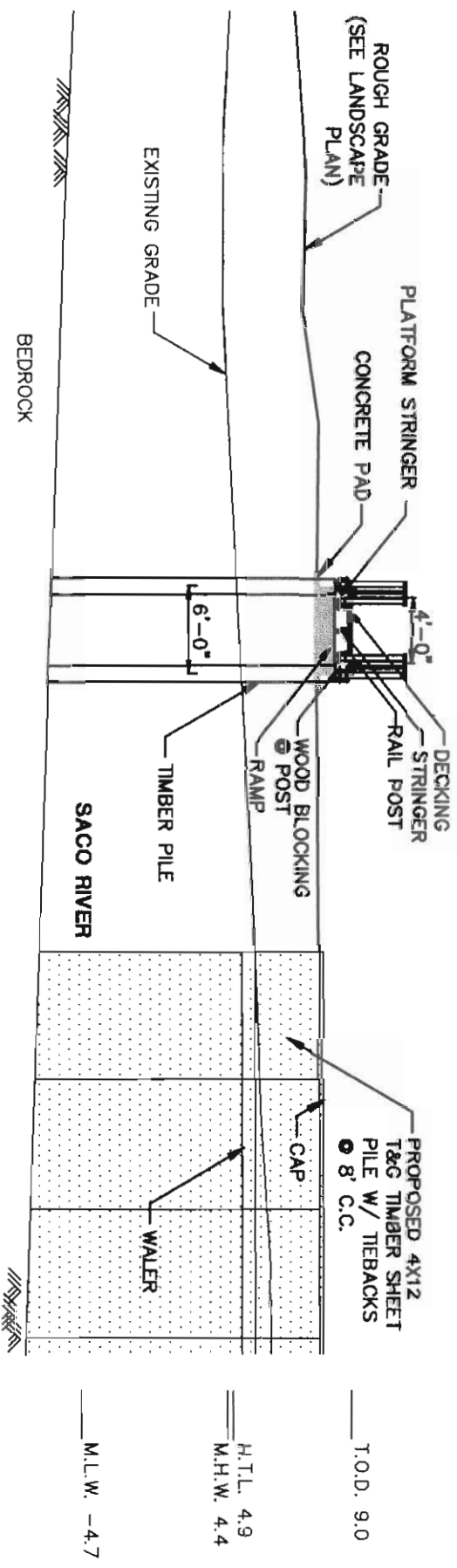


PLATFORM/GANGWAY
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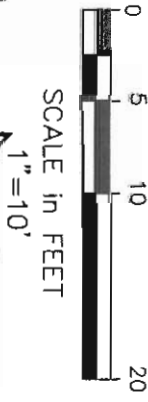
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FIGURE 4

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- LEGEND**
- M.L. EXISTING BOTTOM OF RIVER
 - T.O.S.P. TOP OF SHEET PILE
 - T.O.W. TOP OF WALL
 - T.O.D. TOP OF DECK
 - M.H.W. MEAN HIGH WATER
 - M.L.W. MEAN LOW WATER
 - H.T.L. HIGH TIDE LINE

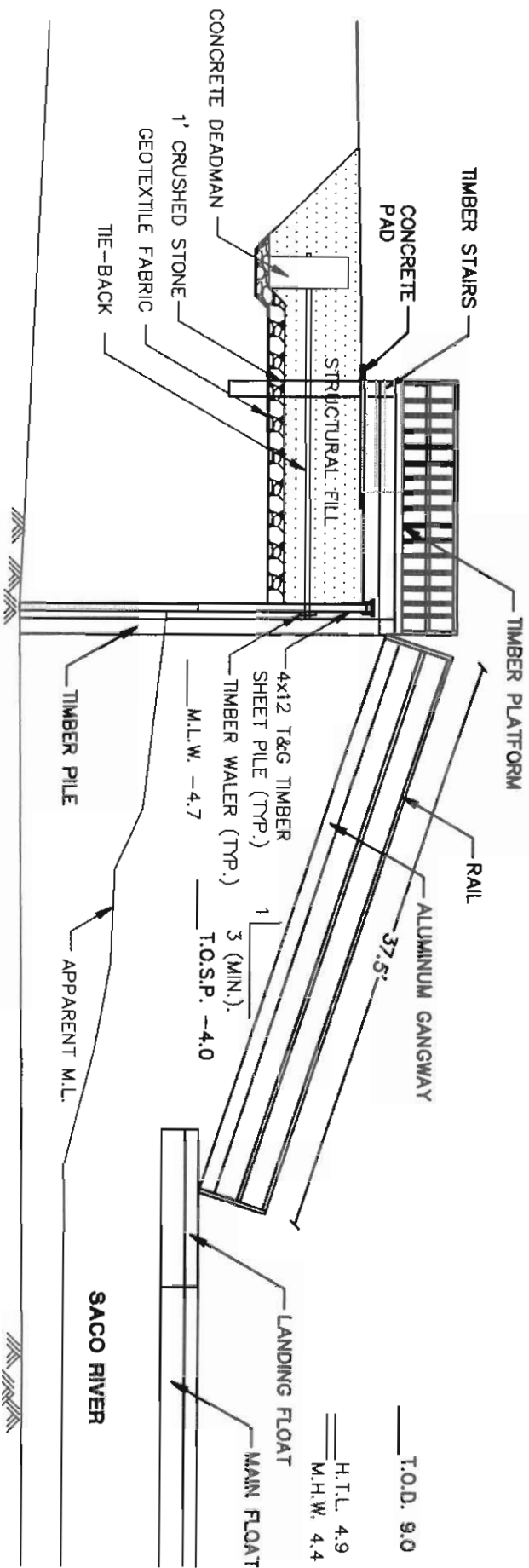


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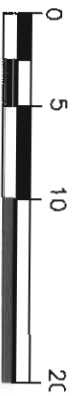
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FIGURE 5



- LEGEND**
- M.L. _____
 - DL _____
 - T.O.S.P. _____
 - T.O.W. _____
 - T.O.D _____
 - M.H.W. _____
 - M.L.W. _____
 - H.T.L _____
-
- EXISTING BOTTOM OF RIVER _____
 - DREDGE LINE _____
 - TOP OF SHEET PILE _____
 - TOP OF WALL _____
 - TOP OF DECK _____
 - MEAN HIGH WATER _____
 - MEAN LOW WATER _____
 - HIGH TIDE LINE _____

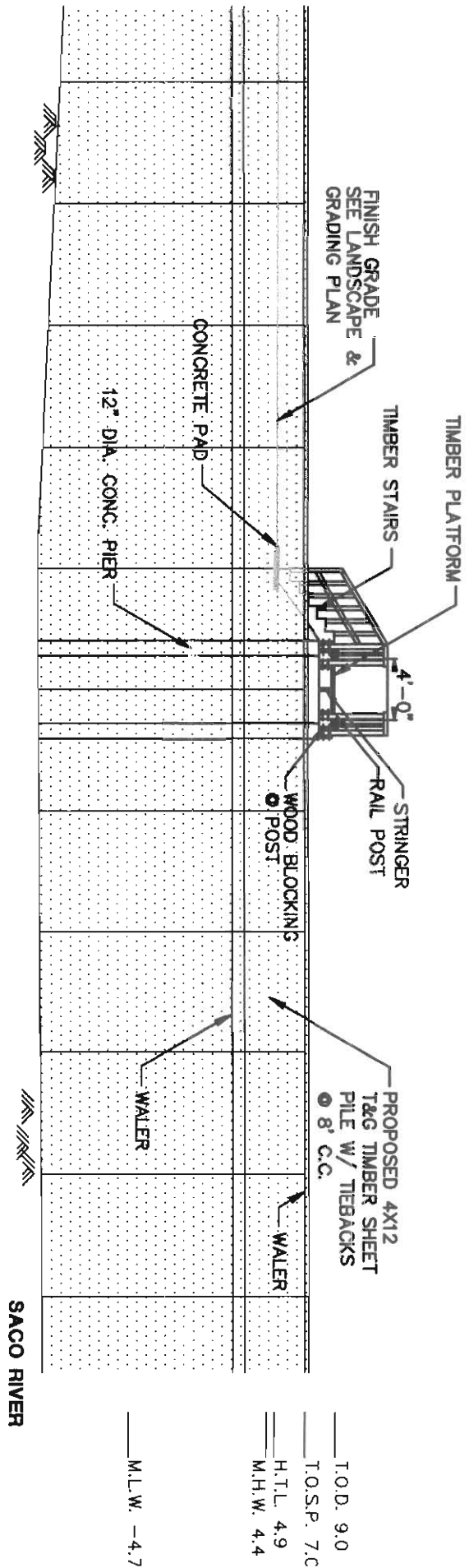


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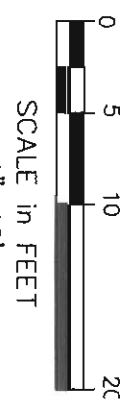
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FIGURE 6

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- LEGEND**
- M.L. _____
 - DL _____
 - T.O.S.P. _____
 - T.O.W. _____
 - T.O.D _____
 - M.H.W. _____
 - M.L.W. _____
 - H.T.L _____
- EXISTING BOTTOM OF RIVER**
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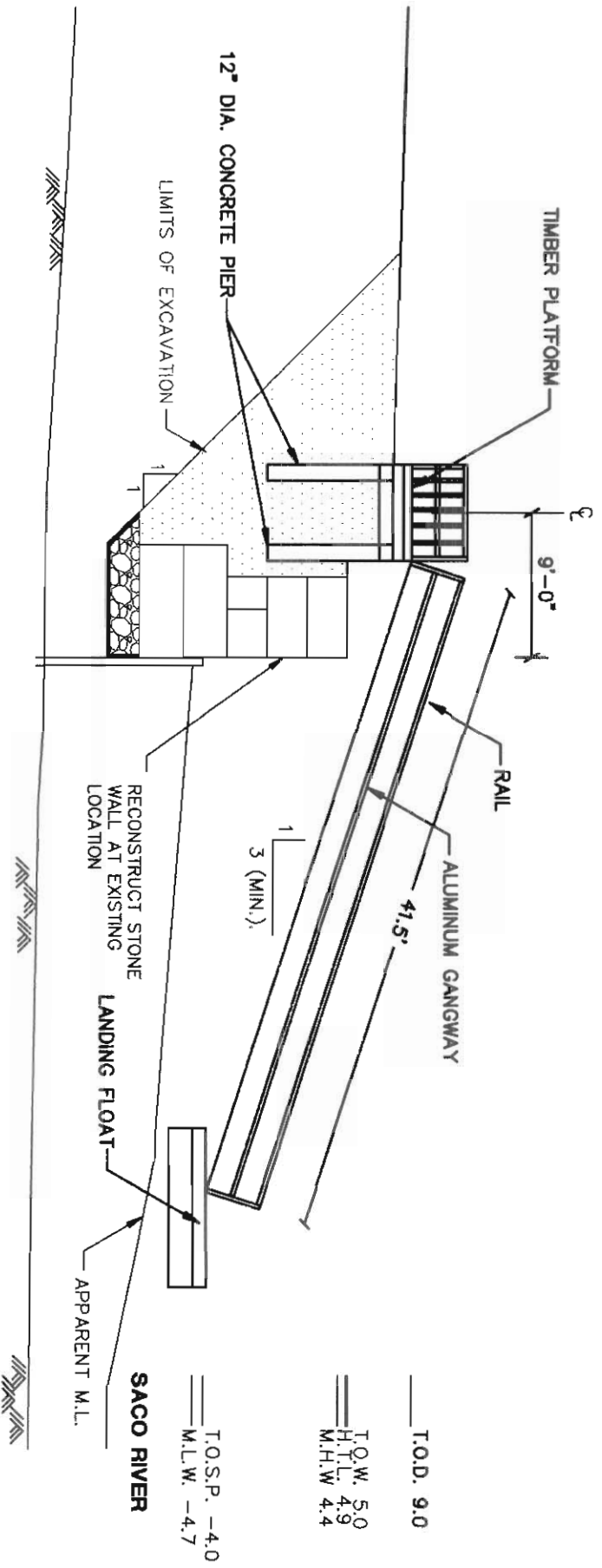


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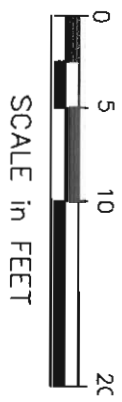
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FIGURE 7



- LEGEND**
- M.L. EXISTING BOTTOM OF RIVER
 - DL DREDGE LINE
 - T.O.S.P. TOP OF SHEET PILE
 - T.O.W. TOP OF WALL
 - T.O.D. TOP OF DECK
 - M.H.W. MEAN HIGH WATER
 - M.L.W. MEAN LOW WATER
 - H.T.L. HIGH TIDE LINE

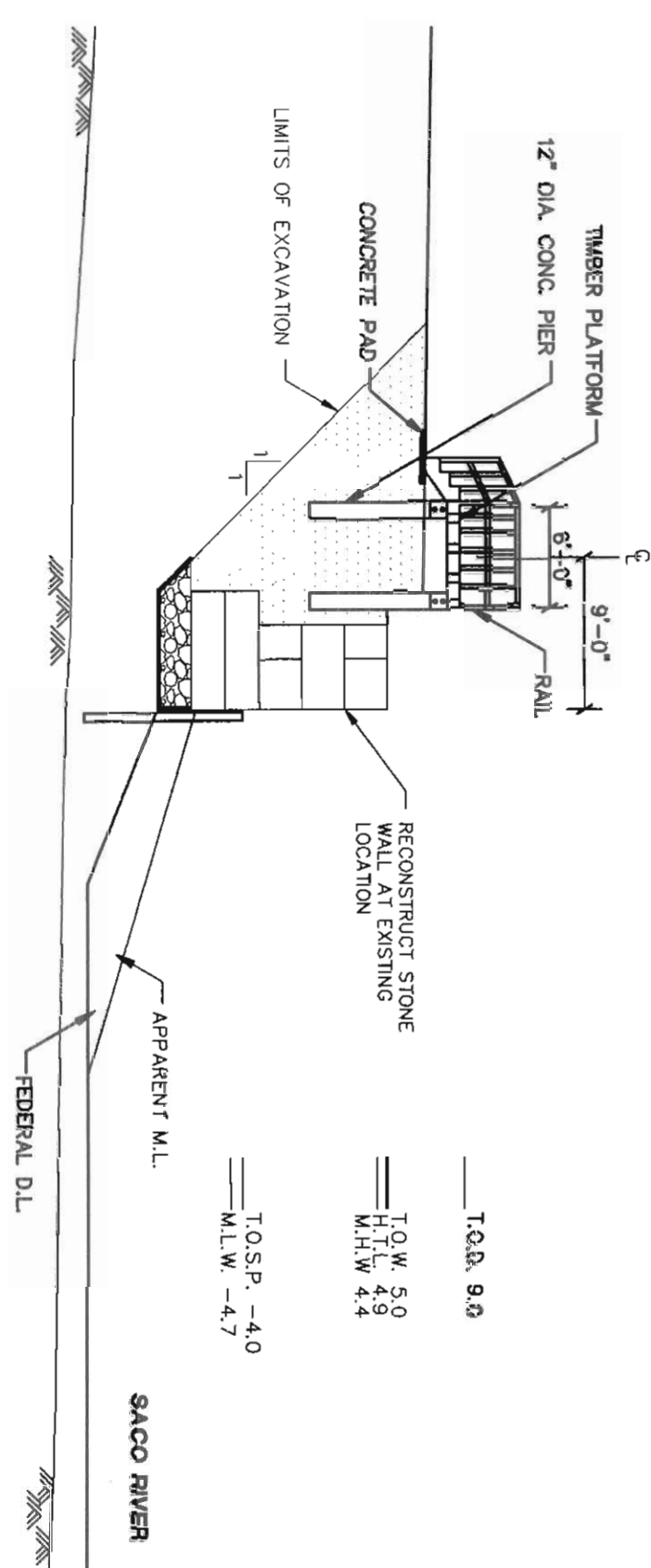


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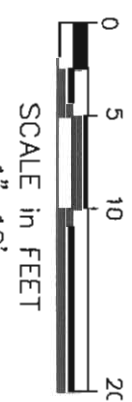
Saco Island Marina Development

FIGURE 8



- LEGEND**
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|----------|--------------------------|
| M.L. | EXISTING BOTTOM OF RIVER |
| D.L. | DREDGE LINE |
| T.O.S.P. | TOP OF SHEET PILE |
| T.O.W. | TOP OF WALL |
| T.O.D. | TOP OF DECK |
| M.H.W. | MEAN HIGH WATER |
| M.L.W. | MEAN LOW WATER |
| H.T.L. | HIGH TIDE LINE |

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|-----|---------------|
| —— | T.O.D. 9.0 |
| == | T.O.W. 5.0 |
| --- | H.T.L. 4.9 |
| --- | M.H.W. 4.4 |
| --- | T.O.S.P. -4.0 |
| --- | M.L.W. -4.7 |

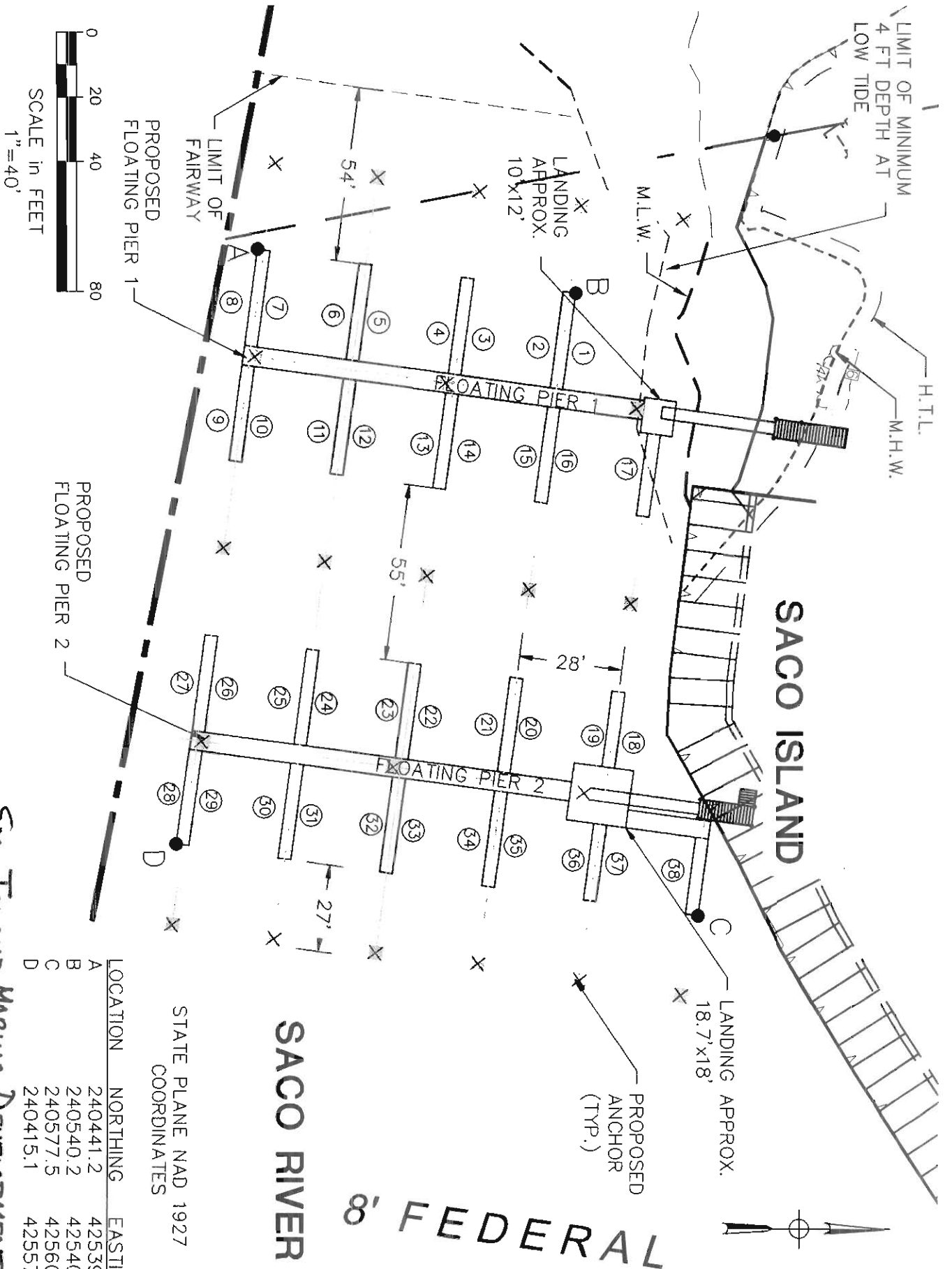


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NO. 3 CROSS SECTION

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FIGURE 9



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SACO RIVER

SACO ISLAND

STATE PLANE NAD 1927
COORDINATES

LOCATION	NORTHING	EASTING
A	240441.2	425394.2
B	240540.2	425408.1
C	240577.5	425602.2
D	240415.1	425579.4

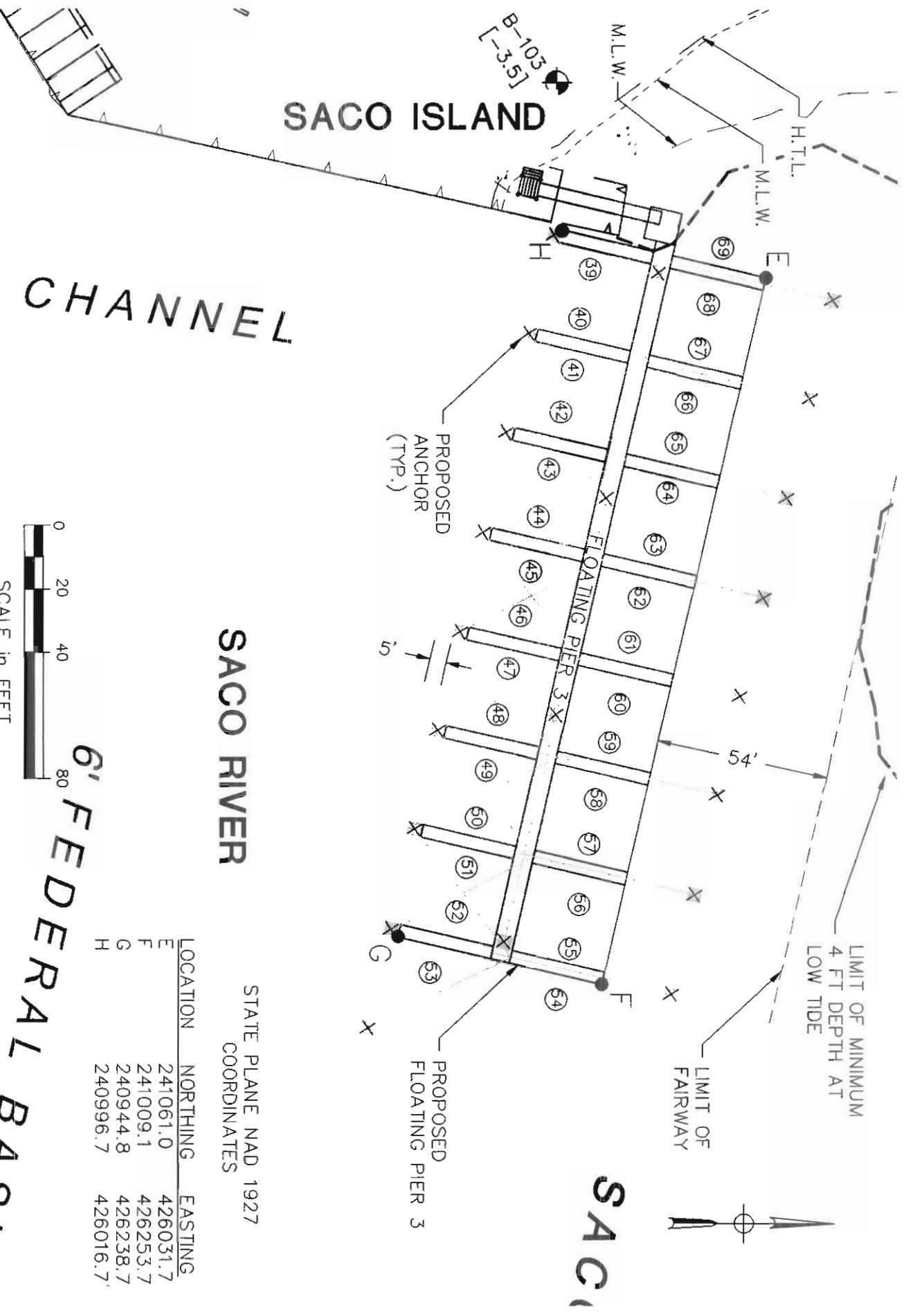
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FLOATING PIERS 1 & 2 PLAN

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FIGURE 10

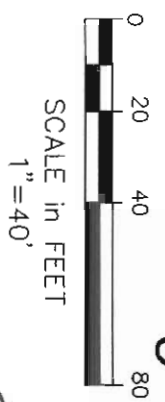


SACO RIVER

STATE PLANE NAD 1927
COORDINATES

LOCATION	NORTHING	EASTING
E	241061.0	426031.7
F	241009.1	426253.7
G	240944.8	426238.7
H	240996.7	426016.7

6' FEDERAL BASIN



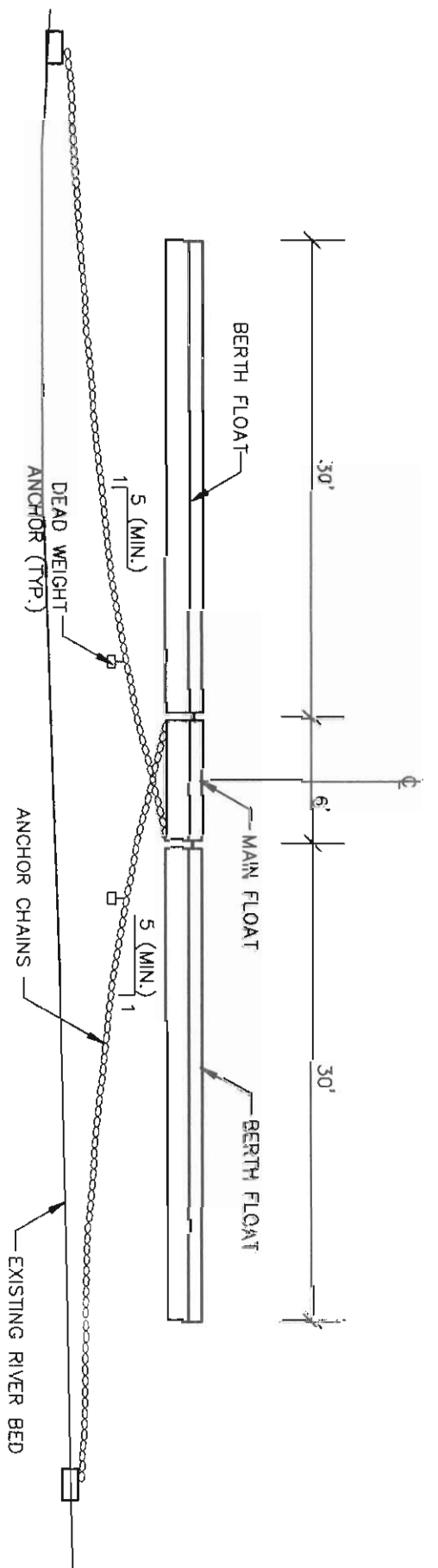
FLOATING PIER 3 PLAN

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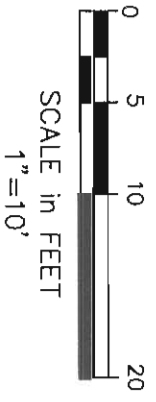
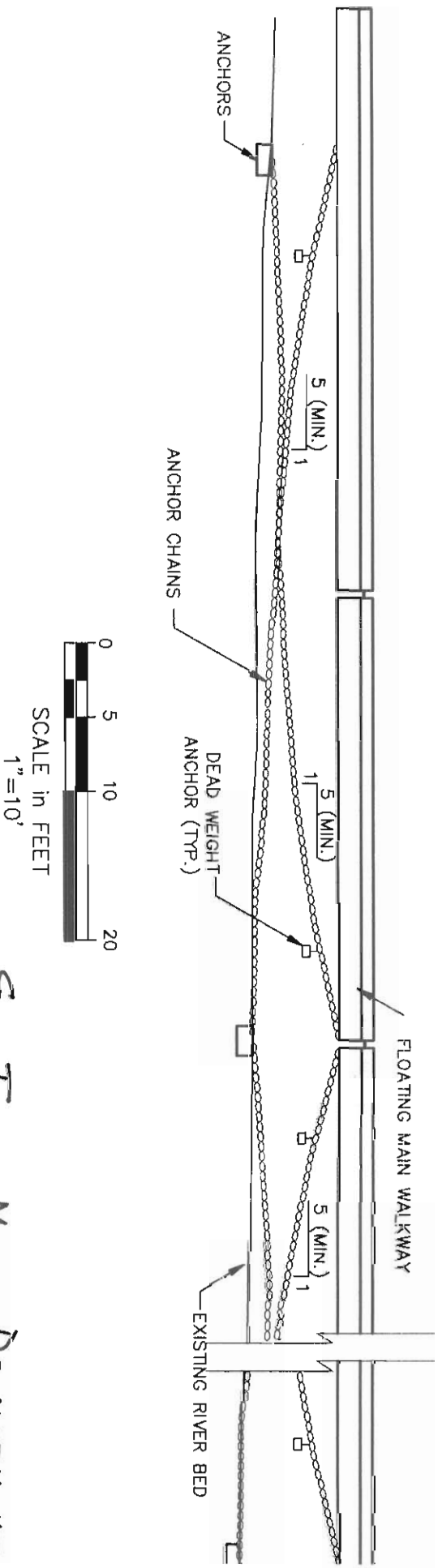
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FIGURE 11



30' SECTIONS (TYP.)



FLOAT SECTIONS

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FIGURE 12