

PUBLIC NOTICE

US Army Corps of Engineers Rock Island District

Applicant: Polk County, Iowa

CEMVR-OD-P-2004-229

Date: March 11, 2004 Expires: April 9, 2004

Section 404

Joint Public Notice US Army Corps of Engineers Iowa Department of Natural Resources

1. Applicant. Polk County, Iowa, 5885 NE 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50313.

2. Project Location. Section 26, Township 80 North, Range 22 West, Polk County, Iowa; on Santiago Creek.

3. Project Description. To replace an existing bridge structure and relocate the existing stream channel. The applicant proposes to replace the existing bridge structure with a 216-foot-long triple 12'x10'x216' R.C.B culvert. As part of the project, the stream channel will be relocated and the culvert will be placed approximately 270 feet west of the current bridge. Approximately 350 feet of existing stream channel will be filled and replaced with 275 feet of new stream channel, excluding the length of the new culvert. The new channel will be riprapped for approximately 75 feet downstream of the culvert outlet to prevent streambed degradation and shoreline erosion. The project will result in adverse impacts to 0.06 acres of wetlands adjacent to the stream channel. **Note: This project was initially advertised under public notice number CEMVR-OD-P-436390. Minor changes have since been made to the overall project design and are reflected in the drawings attached to this notice.

4. Agency Review.

a. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers. The Department of the Army application is being processed under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

b. State of Iowa. The project plans have been submitted to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification, if issued, will express the Department's opinion that the proposed activity will comply with Iowa's water quality standards (Chapter 61 IAC). The applicant has also applied for authorization of work in the floodplain pursuant to Chapter 455B of the Iowa Code and other applicable state permits. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of Iowa should be addressed to: Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 900 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. A copy of the comments should be provided to the Corps of Engineers office (see paragraph 11. of this public notice for address).

5. Historical/Archaeological. The Corps originally determined that this is not the type of undertaking that has the potential to cause effects on historic properties [36 CFR 800.3(a)(1)] and that no further historic properties investigations will be required. In a letter dated April 23, 2003, the State Historical Society of Iowa (SHSI) did not concur in this determination (reference SHSI R&C #030477031). Subsequently, the Corps obtained the June 2003 report entitled <u>Phase I Cultural Resource Investigations for a Proposed Bridge Replacement Project, Franklin Township, Polk County, Iowa</u>, dated June 2003. Jonathan R. Sellars and Leslie A. Ambrosino of Consulting Archaeological Services, Creston, Iowa prepared the report for the Polk County Engineer, Des Moines, Iowa. Based on the findings of this archeological survey, the Corps finds that there are "no historic properties affected" by issuance of this permit.

6. Endangered Species. District staff have performed a preliminary review of this application for the potential impact on threatened or endangered species pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. Our preliminary determination is that the proposed activity is not likely to adversely affect any listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, no formal consultation has been initiated with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service at this time. However, this preliminary determination is subject to change should further information become available.

7. Dredge/Fill Material Guidelines. The evaluation of the impact of the proposed activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).

8. Public Interest Review. The decision whether to issue the Corps 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 benefit 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 the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, 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 production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

9. Who Should Reply. 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. These statements should be submitted on or before the expiration date specified at the top of page 1. These statements should bear upon the adequacy of plans and suitability of locations and should, if appropriate, suggest any changes considered desirable.

10. Public Hearing Requests. Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. A request may be denied if substantive reasons for holding a hearing are not provided.

11. Reply to the Corps. Comments concerning the Corps permit should be addressed to the District Engineer, US Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, ATTN: OD-P, Clock Tower Building - Post Office Box 2004, Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004. <u>Mr. Jon Klingman</u> (309/794-5329) may be contacted for additional information.

Attach Plan Jon A. Klingman Project Manager Regulatory Branch

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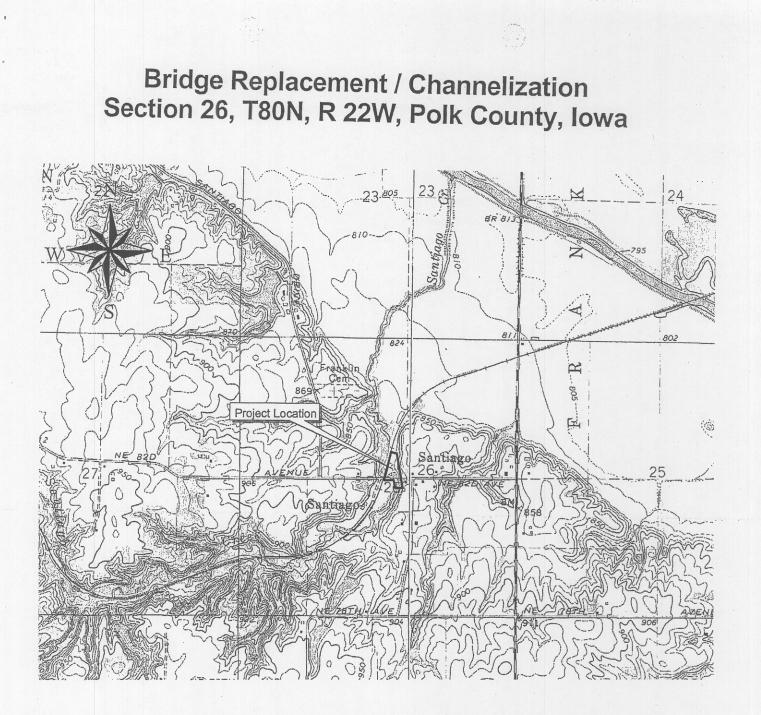
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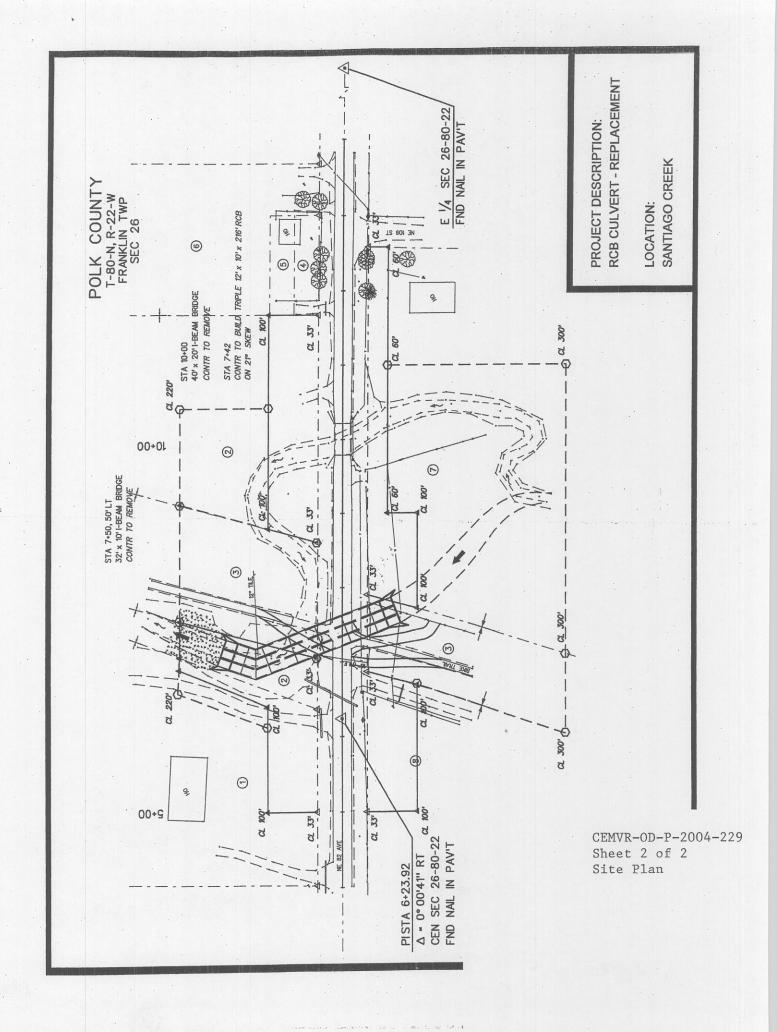
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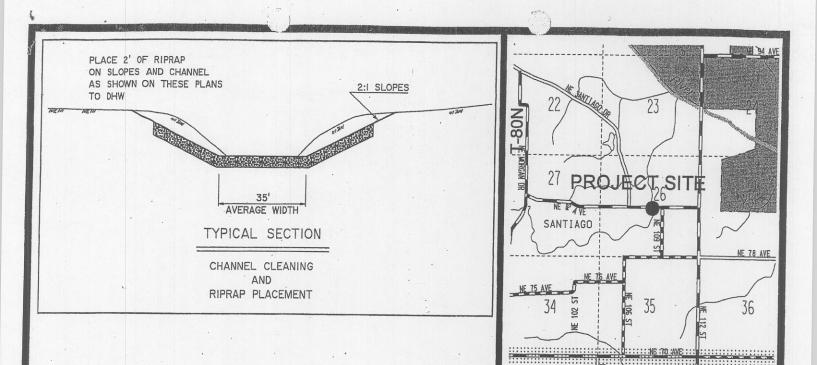
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- 2. ROSS, STEPHEN P. & DAVID J.
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- 4. HOWELL, KELLAS C., ET AL
- 5. BAILEY EXCAVATING, INC.
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