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MARK WILLIAMS COMMISSIONER DOUG HAYMANS DIRECTOR

August 1, 2022

Ollie Himbert Georgia Ports Authority P.O. Box 2406 Savannah, GA

Re: Letter of Permission (LOP) and Revocable License (RL) for Fender Replacement, Berth 3, Colonel's Island Terminal, South Brunswick River, Glynn County, Georgia. (USACE #: SAS-2013-00159)

Dear Mr. Himbert:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request, dated July 12, 2022 to replace existing fenders at Berth 3, Colonel's Island Terminal, South Brunswick River, Glynn County, Georgia. The existing fenders at this location require replacement due to normal deterioration over time and two fenders experienced severe damage during a foul weather vessel departure. The existing fender system consists of ten cone fenders with steel frontal panels with two H-piles supporting the steel frontal panels.

The project will consist of removing the deteriorated and broken fenders and replacing them in the same footprint as the existing fender system. The new fender system will be mounted to the seaward face of the dock so that no H-piles will be required. The existing 20 H-piles will be removed by use of a vibratory pile driver from a barge mounted crane. There will be no new impacts to coastal marshlands resulting from the project. The work will begin no sooner than 15 days from the date of this letter and be completed within six months.

The Department authorizes the removal and replacement of fenders as described in the attached description and drawings. No unauthorized equipment, vehicles, materials, or debris may be placed in, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas. All material removed must be disposed of at an appropriate upland disposal area. Any visible alterations in marsh topography will be restored immediately using low-impact hand tools. Any damage to the marsh vegetation that has not recovered naturally during the next growing season will be repaired by a method acceptable to the Department.

Please find enclosed a fully executed Revocable License (RL) for the project described above. This license serves as an authorization to utilize state owned tidal water bottoms for your project. Any change in the use, location, dimensions, or configuration of the approved project, without prior notification and approval from this office could result in revocation of this permission and in the required removal of the related structures. The construction of the project permitted for this license must be completed six months from the date of issuance of the license. Future maintenance activities that occur within tidal waters and have the potential to cause adverse impact, either GPA – Colonel's Island, Berth 1, Fender Replacement Page 2 of 2

temporary or permanent, or that will be in the public's interest shall be reported to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Coastal Resources Division.

This authorization does not relieve you from obtaining any other required federal, state, or local permits. Tidal water bottoms and marshlands of coastal Georgia are public trust lands controlled by the State, except for such lands where a validated Crown Grant or State Grant exists. If you have any questions you may contact Paul Tobler at (912) 264-7218.

Sincerely,

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Jill Andrews Chief, Coastal Management Section

- Enclosures: Description, Figures, Revocable License, Federal Consistency Certification Statement
- File: RLS20220032

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Printed Name of Applicant(s): Georgia Ports	Anthority - Olli Himbert
Applicant Email: ohimbert @ gaports. com	Phone: (917) 964 - 3957
Agent Name (if applicable): <u>SECI - Brandon</u>	Wall Phone: (912) 232-0451

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Attached is a copy of my application to USACE (required)
Signature of Applicant: Sh Will Date: 7/12/2022
FOR AGENCY INTERNAL USE ONLY: Date Received (Commencement Date):
USACE Authorization Type (select one): Individual Permit General Permit # 🖄 NWP #_3
USACE Project Manager: Sarah Wise
CRD Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by CRD): <u>RLS20226032</u>
CRD Project Manager: Paul D. Jobler

For questions regarding consistency with the Georgia Coastal Management Program, please contact the Federal Consistency Coordinator at (912) 264-7218 or visit <u>www.CoastalGADNR.org</u>.

sligh environmental consultants, inc

July 12, 2022

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Branch, Southern Section 100 West Oglethorpe Avenue Savannah, Georgia 31401-3640

Subject: Nationwide Permit 3 Application Colonel's Island Terminal Berth 3 Fender Replacement Glynn County, Georgia

Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc., on behalf of the Georgia Ports Authority, is pleased to submit the attached information requesting authorization under Nationwide Permit 3 to replace the existing fenders at Colonel's Island Terminal Berth 3 in Brunswick, Glynn County, Georgia. Recently, two of the fenders were severely damaged by a departing vessel during high winds and are at risk of complete failure. The remaining eight fenders will be replaced due to normal wear and tear. The project does not require any impacts to waters of the U.S. or new pile placement. The only activities required by the project consist of removal of 20 existing H-piles and mounting the new fenders to the face of the wharf.

The attached information includes the following:

- Pre-Construction Notification Form
- Signed Revocable License Request Form
- Federal Consistency Certification Statement
- Project Location Map
- U.S. Geological Survey of the project site
- Aerial Photograph of the project site
- Permit drawings depicting the proposed project
- Project Description with Site Photographs
- IPAC Print-out

Due to the emergency nature of the two fender failures, the new fenders have already been purchased and are set to arrive in approximately 30 days. Therefore, this project is of high priority to the applicant in order to keep the dock in working order. If you have any questions or comments, or if you wish to discuss the project in further detail, please do not hesitate to contact me at (912) 232-0451.

Sincerely,

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Brandon W. Wall Project Biologist Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc.

Enclosures

Cc: Mr. Bradley Smith – EPD Ms. Kelie Moore – CRD Mr. Paul Tobler – CRD Mr. Josh Noble – CRD Mr. Brad Woodall – Moffatt & Nichol

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Form Approved - OMB No. 0710-0000				10-0003			
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The public reporting burden for this collection of information, 0710-0003, is estimated to average 11 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or burden reduction suggestions to the Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Services, at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mli. Respondents should be aware that notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number.							
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One set of original drawings or good reproducible copies which show the location and character of the proposed activity must be attached to this application (see sample drawings and/or instructions) and be submitted to the district engineer having jurisdiction over the location of the proposed activity. An application that is not completed in full will be returned.							
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11. I hereby authorize, SECI to act In my behalf as my agent in the processing of this nationwide permit pre-construction notification							
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South Brunswick River	Colonel's Island Terminal			
15. LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY (see instructions)	City: State: Zip:			
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16. OTHER LOCATION DESCRIPTIONS, IF KNOWN (see instructions)				
State Tax Parcel ID	Municipality			
Section Township	Range			
N/A N/A	N/A			
17. DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE From I-95, take Highway 82 east to Joe Frank Harris Blvd. Turn left	into CIT.			
18. IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC NATIONWIDE PERMIT(S) YOU PROPOSE TO Nationwide Permit #3	USE			
19. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY (see instructions) The applicant proposes to replace the existing Berth 3 fenders. No impacts are required to waters of the U.S. (See Project Description)				
20. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES (see instructions) No mitigation is required				
21. PURPOSE OF NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY (<i>Describe the reason or purpose of the project, see instructions</i>) The purpose of the project is to replace the existing fender system, including two severely damaged fenders, to maintain the current working order of the facility.				
22. QUANTITY OF WETLANDS, STREAMS, OR OTHER TYPES OF WATER: (see instructions)	3 DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY PROPOSED NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY			
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23. List any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) us related activity. (<i>see instructions</i>) N/A				
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25, Is any portion of the nationwide permit activity already complete?
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26. List the name(s) of any species listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity or utilize the designated critical habitat that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity. (see instructions) See attached Project Description
27. List any historic properties that have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic
properly or properlies. (see instructions) There are no known listing within the project area. It is our opinion that the proposed project will not impact any sites eligible for listing on
the National Register of Historic Places.
28. For a proposed NWP activity that will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a
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district having jurisdiction over that project? Yes No
If "yes", please provide the date your request was submitted to the Corps district:
30. If the terms of the NWP(s) you want to use require additional information to be included in the PCN, please include that information in this space or provide it
on an additional sheet of paper marked Block 30. (see instructions)
See attached Project Description.
31. Pre-construction notification is hereby made for one or more nationwide permit(s) to authorize the work described in this notification. I certify that the
information in this pre-construction notification is complete and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the work described herein
or am acting as the duly authorized agent of the applicant.
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE / SIGNATURE OF AGENT DATE
The pre-construction notification must be signed by the person who desires to undertake the proposed activity (applicant) and, if the statement in Block 11 has been filled out and signed, the authorized agent.
18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully
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or uses any false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or
Imprisoned not more than five years or both.
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STATE OF GEORGIA

REQUEST FOR A REVOCABLE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF TIDAL WATERBOTTOMS

APPLICANT NAME(S):	gia Ports Authori	ity - Mr. Olli Himbert		
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			(State)	(Zip)
PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: Colonel's Island Terminal Berth 3 (31.13483, -81.53939)				
COUNTY: Glynn WATERWAY: South Brunswick River				
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Georgia Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division One Conservation Way Brunswick, Georgia 31520-8687

I am requesting that I be granted a revocable license from the State of Georgia to encroach on the beds of tidewaters, which are state owned property. Attached hereto and made a part of this request is a copy of the plans and description of the project that will be the subject of such a license. I certify that all information submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and understand that willful misrepresentation or falsification is punishable by law.

I understand that if permission from the State is granted, it will be a revocable license and will not constitute a license coupled with an interest. I acknowledge that this revocable license does not resolve any actual or potential disputes regarding the ownership of, or rights in, or over the property upon which the subject project is proposed, and shall not be construed as recognizing or denying any such rights or interests. I acknowledge that such a license would relate only to the property interests of the State and would not obviate the necessity of obtaining any other State license, permit, or authorization required by State law. I recognize that I waive my right of expectation of privacy and I do not have the permission of the State of Georgia to proceed with such project until the Commissioner of DNR or his/her designee has executed a revocable license in accordance with this request.

Sincerely,

By:

Date: 7.12.2022

Signature of Applicant

Title, if applicable

By: _

Signature of Applicant

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Date:

Title, if applicable

Attachments

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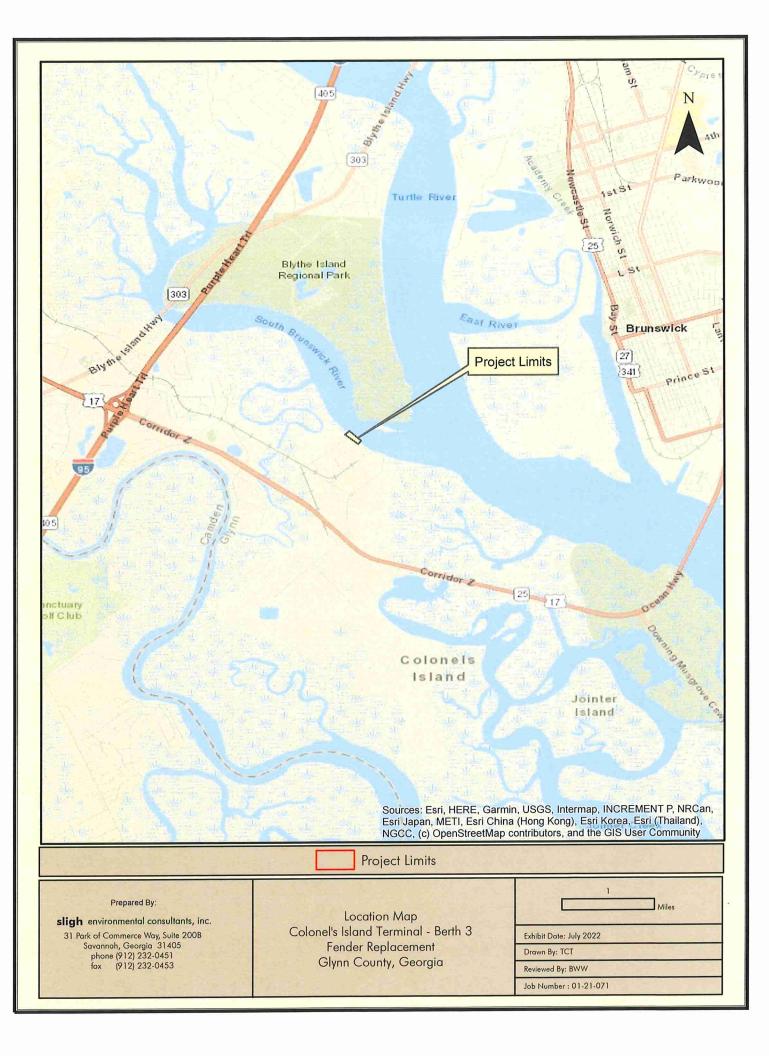
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USACE Authorization Type (select one): Individual Permit General Permit # NWP #
USACE Project Manager:
CRD Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by CRD):
CRD Project Manager:

CRD CONCURS WITH THIS CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT TO THE EXTENT THAT USACE AUTHORIZATION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PROJECT AS DESCRIBED IN ANY CRD AUTHORIZATION.

CRD Signature:	Date:
Printed Name:	Title:

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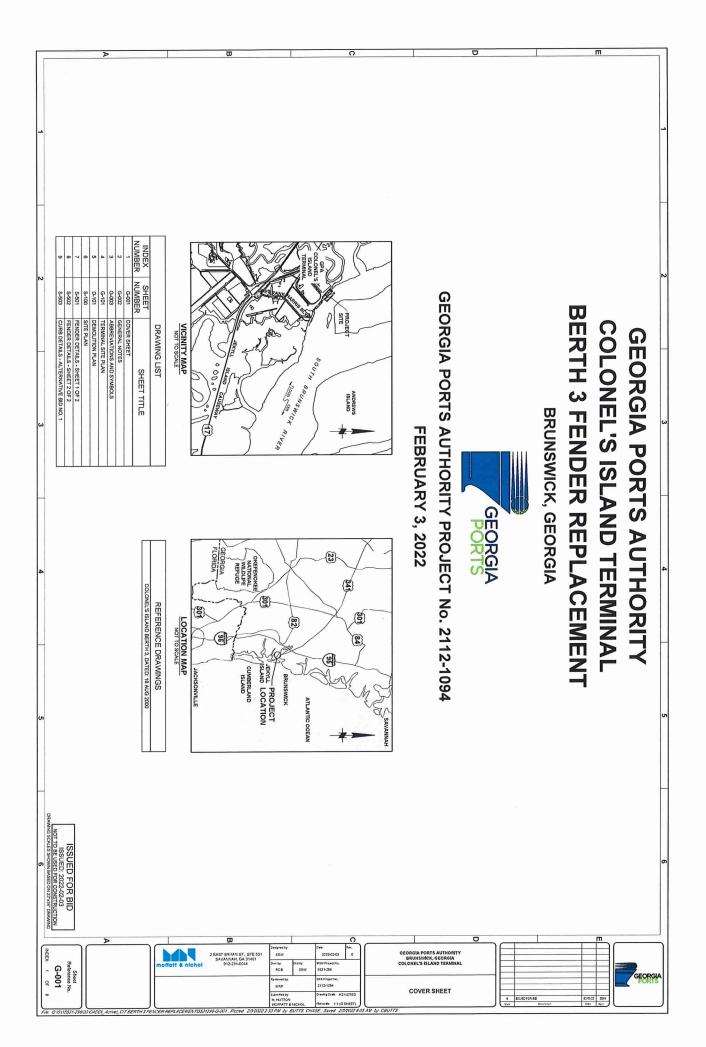


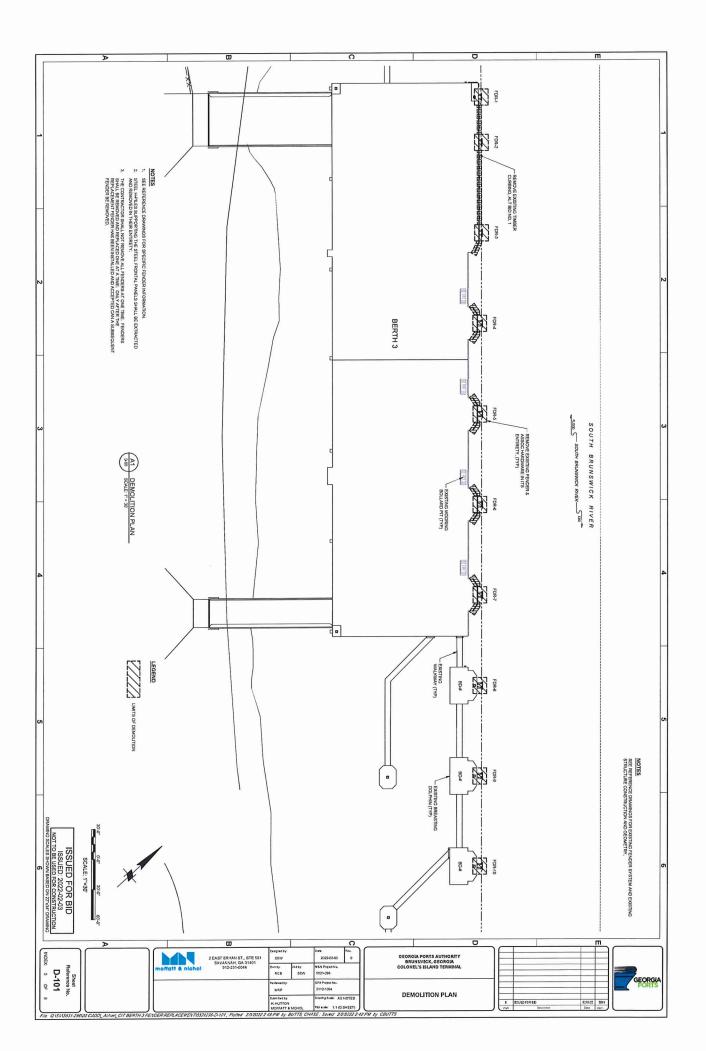


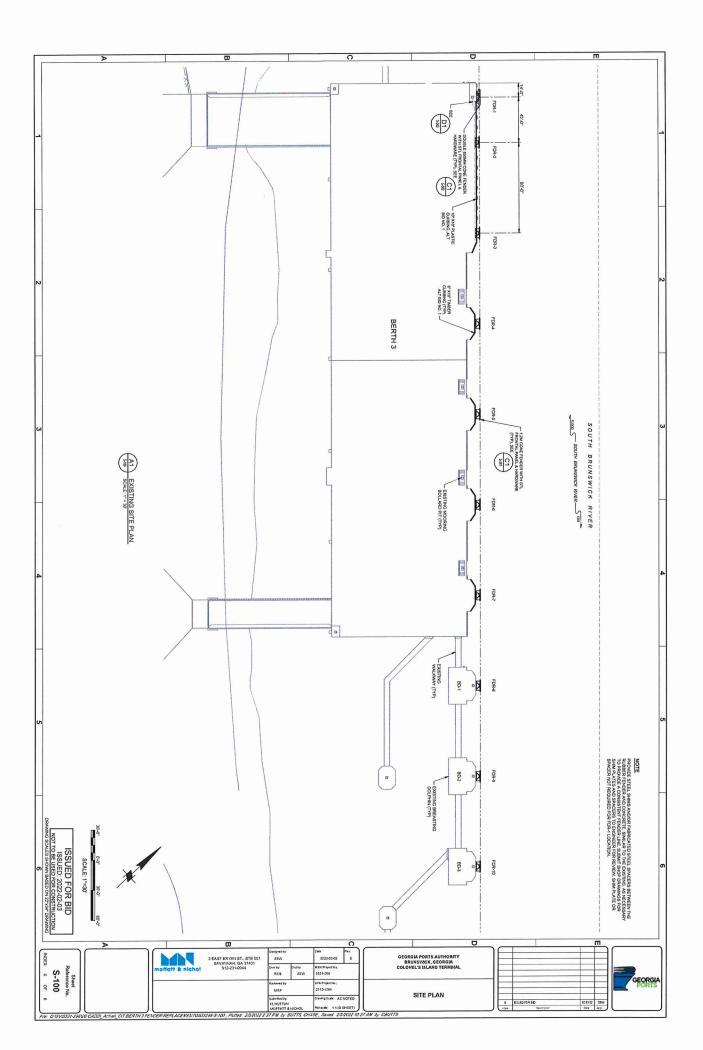
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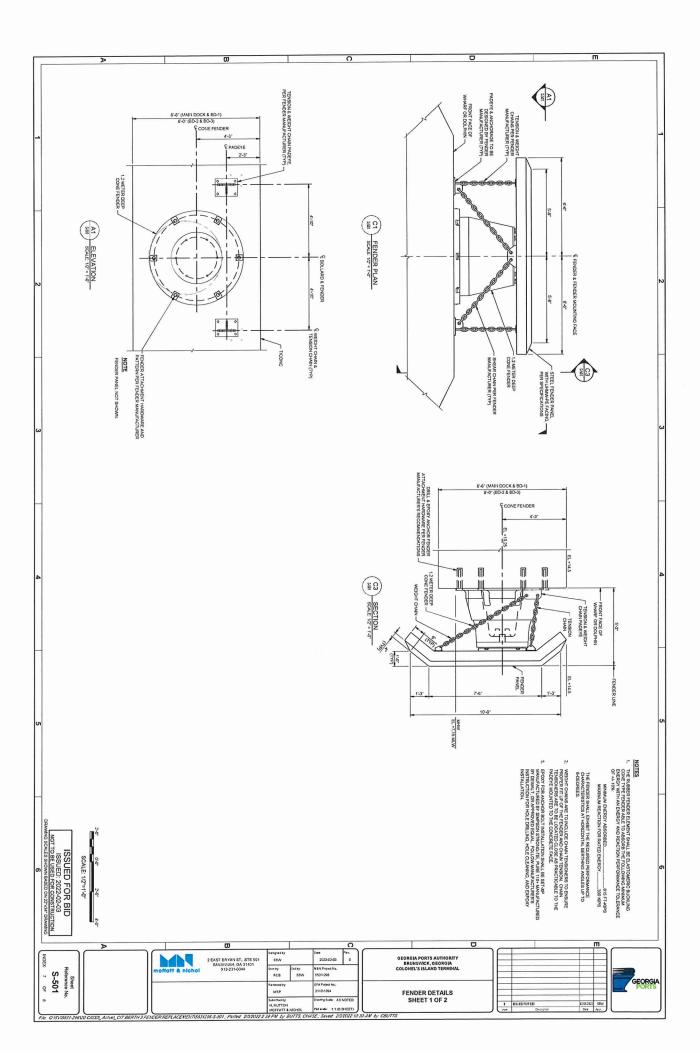
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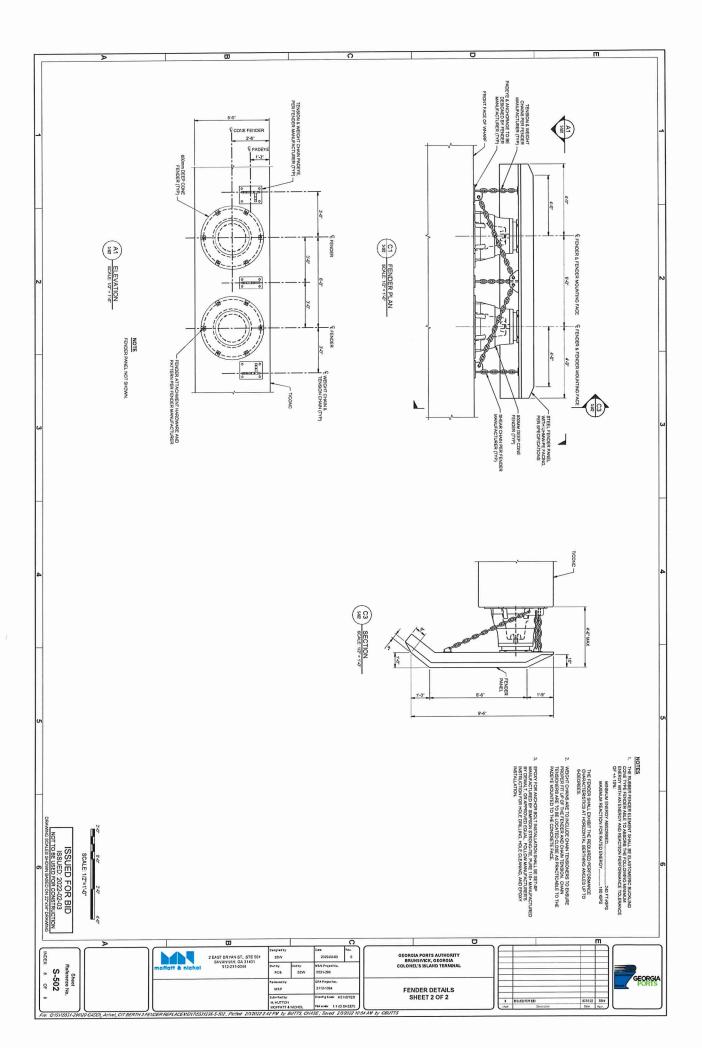
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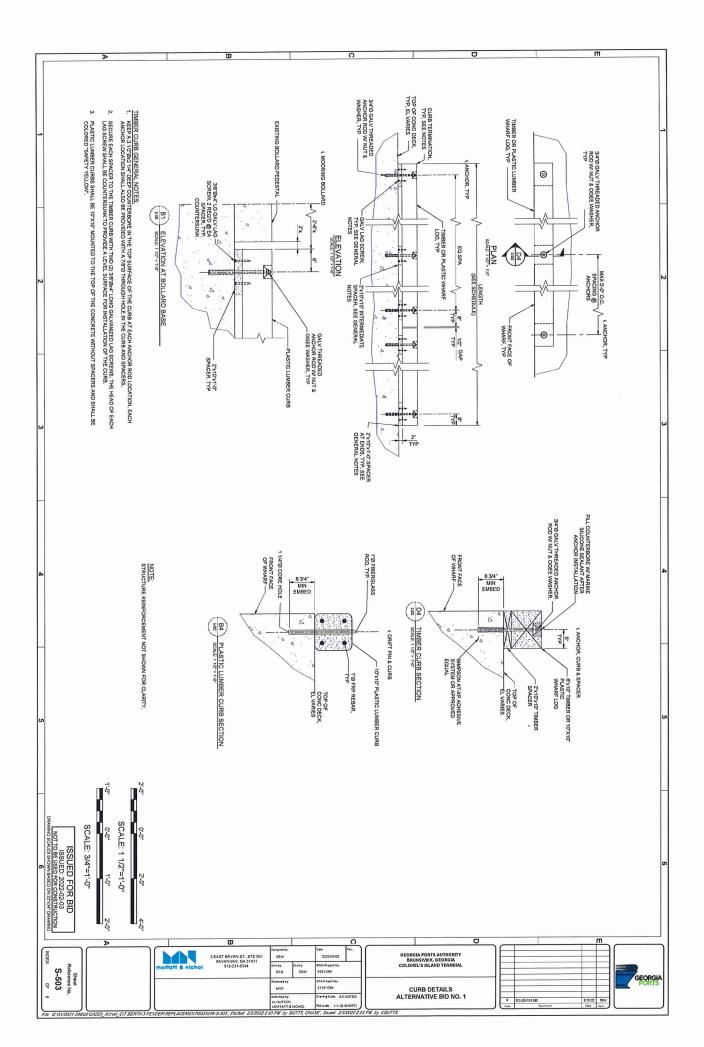












Project Description Colonel's Island Terminal Berth 3 Fender Replacement Glynn County, Georgia July 12, 2022

Introduction:

Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc. (SECI), on behalf of the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA), requests authorization under Nationwide Permit 3 to replace the existing fenders at Berth 3 at Colonel's Island Terminal in Glynn County, Georgia.

Proposed Project:

The existing fender system at Berth 3 is in urgent need of replacement due to ordinary corrosion and deterioration over the last 20 years but also due to damage inflicted by a departing vessel recently. Two fenders were severely damaged by a departing Ro/Ro vessel during high winds, and these fenders are in urgent need of replacement. The existing fender system consists of ten cone fenders with steel frontal panels with two H-piles supporting the steel frontal panels. The new fender system will be attached to the face of the dock, so no piles are required. The existing 20 H-piles will be extracted from the waterway using a vibratory pile driver and a crane/barge. There are no additional piles or other structures proposed in the waterway. The new fender system will be constructed within the existing fender system footprint. No discharge of dredged or fill material into jurisdictional waters is required for this project, and no permanent structures in the waterway or pile driving will be necessary.

Mitigation Plan:

The project requires maintenance and repair of an existing fender system. The existing fenders will be removed and new fenders will be mounted to the face of the existing dock. No new piles or other structures are proposed. No discharge of dredge or fill material will result from the project. Therefore, no mitigation is required.

Threatened and Endangered Species:

The project area consists of a pile-supported concrete wharf located over deep open water habitat. The South Brunswick River could support the west Indian manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*), and Atlantic sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus*). The extraction of only 20 existing piles with a vibratory hammer and mounting new fenders to the face of the existing wharf will not affect sturgeon species through noise or any other measure. Vibratory hammer usage on H-piles does not exceed the peak or cumulative effects threshold used by NMFS. Additionally, the fenders will be removed and replaced one at a time. Only after the two supporting piles are extracted and the fender replaced will the contractor move on to the next fender. This ensures that only two H-piles are removed at a time further ensuring that no effects will be caused by the project. To avoid adverse effects to manatees, Standard Manatee Conditions will be in place during construction.

The proposed fender system was also designed in a manner to prevent effects to manatees during operation of the terminal while still allowing full berth utilization. The size of the steel frontal panel is based on the vessel hull pressure limitations so that the fenders do not cause damage to the vessels. The top of the steel frontal panel for the fender is limited in elevation so that it is not an obstruction to mooring lines and the Ro/Ro vessel ramps, so the panels will have to extend slightly below the high tide line, but the fenders will utilize a 3-foot standoff between the ship and concrete fender mount. A copy of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Information, Planning, and Conservation System printout for the project is attached.

Essential Fish Habitat:

Projects proposing impacts to tidal waters must be evaluated with respect to Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The proposed project, being located in tidal waters, has the potential to impact the estuarine and marine water column, which is identified as EFH by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council. The project involves removing

existing fenders and replacing within the same footprint and would not adversely impact EFH. No dredging or filling or other permanent structure is required within EFH.

Impaired Waters:

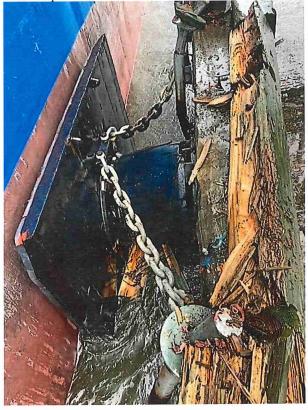
The subject waterway is listed on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 303(d) list for impaired water bodies, but the project only consists of repair of the existing fender system. The project consists of removing the existing fender system and replacing it with a new fender system attached to the face of the existing wharf. It is not anticipated that the project would affect water quality. All proposed activities will be performed from the existing wharf or by water borne boat/barge in a manner to minimize turbidity in the waterway. There will be no oils or other pollutants released from the proposed activities, and the proposed project should have no adverse effect on water quality.

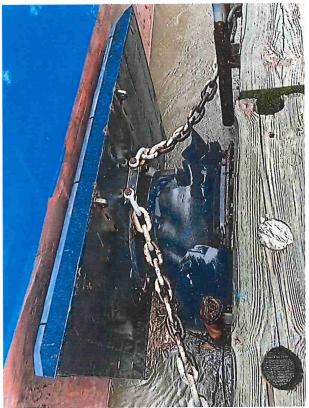
Cultural Resources:

SECI conducted a cursory review of public data available through the National Register of Historic Places and the Georgia Natural, Archeological, and Historical Resources GIS (GNAHRGIS) Database. The review revealed that no eligible resources or any sites listed on the GNAHRGIS Database were located in or adjacent to or in the viewshed of the proposed project. The project consists of maintenance and repair of an existing serviceable structure over open water. Based on the lack of known sites within the vicinity of the project area along with the nature of the project, it was determined that the project would have no potential to cause effects to any sites eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Conclusion:

SECI, on behalf of GPA, respectfully requests authorization under Nationwide Permit 3 for maintenance and repair of the existing fender system at Berth 3 as described above. The project is required to not only maintain the existing structure and to ensure its long-term use for vessel loading and unloading operations, but also to replace two fenders that were severely damaged recently and are in danger of complete failure. No mitigation is required for this project, and the project will have no effect on navigation, protected species, or EFH. All proposed activities will be performed from the wharf or from water borne boat/barge in a manner to minimize turbidity in the waterway. There will be no oils or other pollutants released from the proposed activities, and the proposed project should have no adverse effect on water quality. All work performed during construction will be done in a manner to prevent interference with legitimate water uses. Photograph 1: Fender that was severely damaged during departure of vessel during high winds. Fender in urgent need of replacement





Photograph 2: Fender that was severely damaged during departure of vessel during high winds. Fender in urgent need of replacement

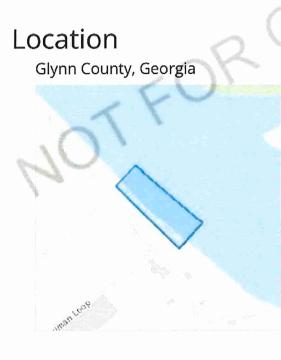
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U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

IPaC resource list

This report is an automatically generated list of species and other resources such as critical habitat (collectively referred to as *trust resources*) under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) jurisdiction that are known or expected to be on or near the project area referenced below. The list may also include trust resources that occur outside of the project area, but that could potentially be directly or indirectly affected by activities in the project area. However, determining the likelihood and extent of effects a project may have on trust resources typically requires gathering additional site-specific (e.g., vegetation/species surveys) and project-specific (e.g., magnitude and timing of proposed activities) information.

Below is a summary of the project information you provided and contact information for the USFWS office(s) with jurisdiction in the defined project area. Please read the introduction to each section that follows (Endangered Species, Migratory Birds, USFWS Facilities, and NWI Wetlands) for additional information applicable to the trust resources addressed in that section.



Local office

Georgia Ecological Services Field Office

% (706) 613-9493

(706) 613-6059

355 East Hancock Avenue Room 320 Athens, GA 30601-2523

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Endangered species

This resource list is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an analysis of project level impacts.

The primary information used to generate this list is the known or expected range of each species. Additional areas of influence (AOI) for species are also considered. An AOI includes areas outside of the species range if the species could be indirectly affected by activities in that area (e.g., placing a dam upstream of a fish population even if that fish does not occur at the dam site, may indirectly impact the species by reducing or eliminating water flow downstream). Because species can move, and site conditions can change, the species on this list are not guaranteed to be found on or near the project area. To fully determine any potential effects to species, additional site-specific and project-specific information is often required.

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act **requires** Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of such proposed action" for any project that is conducted, permitted, funded, or licensed by any Federal agency. A letter from the local office and a species list which fulfills this requirement can **only** be obtained by requesting an official species list from either the Regulatory Review section in IPaC (see directions below) or from the local field office directly.

For project evaluations that require USFWS concurrence/review, please return to the IPaC website and request an official species list by doing the following:

- 1. Draw the project location and click CONTINUE.
- 2. Click DEFINE PROJECT.
- 3. Log in (if directed to do so).
- 4. Provide a name and description for your project.
- 5. Click REQUEST SPECIES LIST.

Listed species¹ and their critical habitats are managed by the <u>Ecological Services Program</u> of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the fisheries division of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA Fisheries²).

Species and critical habitats under the sole responsibility of NOAA Fisheries are **not** shown on this list. Please contact <u>NOAA Fisheries</u> for <u>species under their jurisdiction</u>.

- 1. Species listed under the <u>Endangered Species Act</u> are threatened or endangered; IPaC also shows species that are candidates, or proposed, for listing. See the <u>listing status</u> page for more information. IPaC only shows species that are regulated by USFWS (see FAQ).
- 2. NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an

office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

The following species are potentially affected by activities in this location:

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
West Indian Manatee Trichechus manatus Wherever found There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4469</u>	Threatened Marine mammal
Birds	×1017
NAME	STATUS
Eastern Black Rail Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis Wherever found No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10477	Threatened
Wood Stork Mycteria americana No critical habitat has been designated for this species. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8477</u>	Threatened
Reptiles	
NAME	STATUS
Eastern Indigo Snake Drymarchon couperi Wherever found No critical habitat has been designated for this species. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/646</u>	Threatened
Gopher Tortoise Gopherus polyphemus No critical habitat has been designated for this species. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6994</u>	Candidate
Green Sea Turtle Chelonia mydas There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6199	Threatened

Hawksbill Sea Turtle Eretmochelys imbricata Wherever found	Endangered
There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3656</u>	
Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle Lepidochelys kempii Wherever found There is proposed critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5523</u>	Endangered
Leatherback Sea Turtle Dermochelys coriacea Wherever found There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1493	Endangered
Loggerhead Sea Turtle Caretta caretta There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1110	Threatened
Insects NAME	CTATUC
Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus Wherever found No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743	STATUS Candidate

Critical habitats

Potential effects to critical habitat(s) in this location must be analyzed along with the endangered species themselves.

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS AT THIS LOCATION.

Migratory birds