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Eric Granados
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Re: Letter of Permission (LOP), Placement of a Temporary Pedestrian Bridge Within Shore Protection Act (SPA) Jurisdiction, Vicinity of Massengale Park, East Beach, Atlantic Ocean, St. Simons Island, Glynn County, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Granados:

This letter is in response to your request dated May 10, 2023 to restore public and life safety access to the beach by providing a new, safe passage over the tidal pool at a critical location. This request is separate, and in addition to, the two temporary bridge structures approved under LOP20230048, dated May 4, 2023.

The structure for this request will be 120-ft long by 8-ft wide and be placed approximately 400-ft north of Massengale Park Public Beach Access 24. The temporary floating bridge structure consists of floating sections with stainless steel posts which will be embedded 4-ft into the sand to anchor the bridge and provide support for cable hand railings. The floating deck structure is composed of individual float sections which will be assembled together on site. The sections will be assembled on the beach adjacent to the tidal pool and floated into place where the final location is proposed. A mini excavator will be used to drive pole supports, and various vehicles with trailers will assist in transporting the sections to the worksite location. All equipment and vehicles will enter the site by the Massengale Park Beach Access 24. Materials and equipment such as generators, air compressors, and any other hand tools will be staged in the vicinity as necessary during the construction. All construction debris will be removed from the site. Care will be taken not to disturb the jurisdictional area within the vicinity of work. The work at this site should be completed within a week of commencement, weather permitting.

The project will begin no sooner than 15 days after the date on this letter and be completed within 6 months. This includes the time needed to remove the bridge and return all affected areas to a condition approximate to, or better than, that which existed before commencement of the activity.

The exact location and configuration of this project must be reviewed onsite and approved by Department staff immediately prior to beginning construction. Minor changes to the location may be allowed or required in areas that have eroded or accreted subsequent to the locations proposed in the requests. In the event of an anticipated storm event, the bridges will be removed from SPA jurisdiction. If ordinary high water impacts the temporary bridge locations, they will be relocated based on the Department's site-specific recommendation.

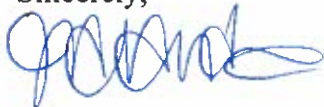
Because the project may occur between May 1st and October 31st, turtle nesting season, an individual with a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit is required to survey the area to be used by the equipment prior to the work beginning. All sea turtle nests must be avoided and no activity may occur within 20ft. of a nest area. Additionally, to protect sea turtles, the bridge may not extend more than 20-ft onto the eastern shoreline of the tidal pool, and no lights may be put on the structure at night. Should the beach profile change so as to become more favorable for sea turtle nesting, the structures may need to be relocated or removed at the request of the Department prior to the expiration of this LOP.

The Department authorizes the temporary activities associated with the activities as depicted in the attached project request. It is the applicant's responsibility to minimize any additional impacts at the site and to protect the shore jurisdictional areas.

This LOP is not meant to exempt the above referenced activities from future environmental laws. **No unauthorized equipment, materials or debris may be placed, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas.** Any incidental impacts associated with this project must be rectified by fully restoring areas to their pre-construction topographic and vegetative states. This LOP is valid for the above referenced projects. Any change in the use, location, dimensions, or configuration of the approved project, without prior notification and approval from this office could result in the revocation of this LOP and in the required removal of the materials and related structures. This project must comply with all other Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances and regulations.

Please contact Josh Noble at (912) 264-7218 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Jill Andrews
Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosures: Project Request, Drawings, Site Photos

File: LOP20230052



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May 10, 2023

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Josh,

Public Works would like to request a Letter of Permission (LOP) to perform work to place a temporary floating pedestrian bridge structure over the tidal pool located just east of Massengale Park on Saint Simons Island. This request is separate, and in addition to, the two temporary bridge structures approved under LOP20230048 dated May 4, 2023.

The structure for this request will be 120-ft long by 8-ft wide and be placed approximately 400-ft north of Massengale Park Public Beach Access 24. The temporary floating bridge structure consists of floating sections with stainless steel posts which will be embedded 4 feet into the sand to anchor the bridge and provide support for the cable hand railings. Our goal is to restore public and life safety access at this location by providing a new, safe passage over the tidal pool at a critical location. See the attached drawing for site location and proposed work.

Here is a description of the scope of work Public Works needs to perform:

The floating deck structure is composed of individual float sections which will be assembled together on site. The sections will be assembled on the beach adjacent to the tidal pool and floated into place where the final location is proposed. A mini excavator will be used to drive pole supports and various vehicles with trailers will assist in transporting the sections to the worksite location. All equipment and vehicles will enter the site by the Massengale Park Beach Access 24. Materials and equipment such as generators, air compressors, and any other hand tools will be staged in the vicinity as necessary during the construction. All construction debris will be removed from the site. Care will be taken not to disturb the jurisdictional area within the vicinity of work. The work at this site should be completed within a week of commencement, weather permitting.

Please contact Public Works with any questions or concerns.

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St. Simons Island
(East Beach Looking South)

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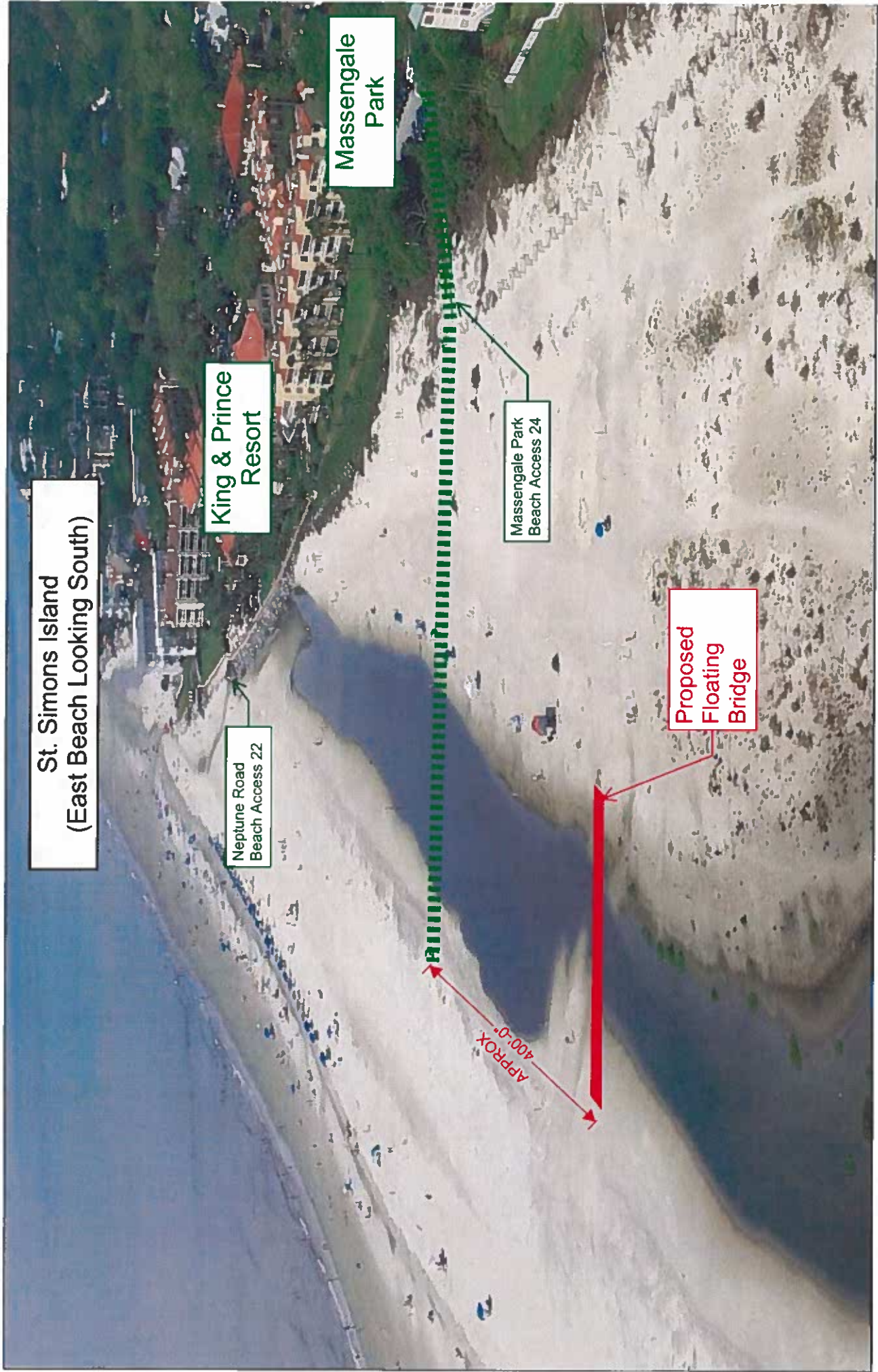
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Beach Access 22

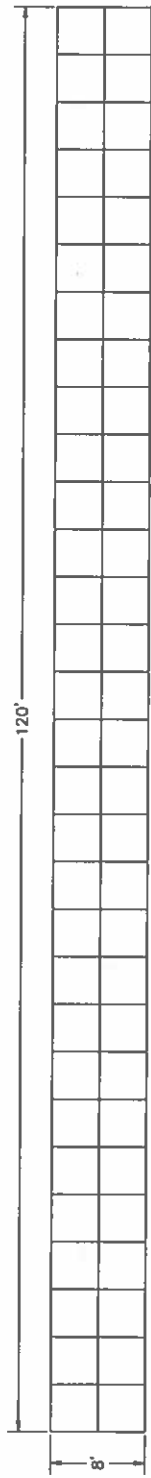
Massengale
Park

Massengale Park
Beach Access 24

Proposed
Floating
Bridge

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