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December 15, 2025

Kathleen Oswald Vaught and Robert Anderson Vaught  
306C McAlpin Drive  
Savannah, GA 31406

**Re: Letter of Permission (LOP) and Revocable License (RL), Maintenance of an Existing Bank Stabilization Project, 306C McAlpin Drive, Lot 7, Vernon View Subdivision, Moon River, Chatham County, Georgia, (GPS 31.92611°N/-81.09809°W), SAS-2025-00226**

Dear Vaught Family,

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request, received November 25, 2025, for maintenance to an existing bulkhead, at the location specified above. An LOP and RL was issued on June 5, 2025 for the activities proposed in the original request dated March 5, 2025. As of the date of this letter, no maintenance work related to this request has been completed. The project will begin no sooner than fifteen (15) days from the date of this letter and be completed within six (6) months.

The project consists of replacement of an approximately 122ft. long x 1.3ft. wide x 5ft. tall bulkhead (163 sq.ft.) within the existing footprint in Coastal Marshlands Protection Act (CMPA) jurisdiction. There is an existing 200 sq.ft. riprap toe (11.11 CY) which will not be disturbed or added to during the bulkhead replacement. All work will be conducted from the upland.

The Department authorizes the maintenance, repairs, and piling replacement in its originally permitted footprint as depicted in the attached description and drawings. No unauthorized equipment, 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 may require restoration 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.

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, please contact Cheyenne Osborne at 912-264-7218.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jill Andrews", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jill Andrews  
Chief, Coastal Resources Division

Enclosures: Federal Consistency Certification Statement, Revocable License, Re-Issue Project Request, Initial Project Request, Site Photographs, Project Plans

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File: LOP20250089

## FEDERAL CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Printed Name of Applicant(s): Kathleen Oswald Vaught and Robert Anderson Vaught

Applicant Email: orthobob7@aol.com

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent Name (if applicable): Jessica Vick

Phone: 912-977-5244

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have made application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for authorization to impact Waters of the United States and that such proposed work is, to the best of my knowledge, consistent with Georgia's Coastal Management Program.

I understand I must provide this Consistency Certification Statement, along with a copy of my permit application submitted to USACE, to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division (CRD) before they can begin evaluating my proposed project for consistency with Georgia's enforceable policies. I understand additional information may be required to facilitate review.

Once any required authorizations or permits from CRD have been issued, and CRD has concurred with my findings by signing this Consistency Certification Statement, CRD must submit it to USACE in order for them to issue any required federal permits or authorizations, or to validate any provisional authorizations they have already issued. A USACE provisional authorization or permit will not be valid until they receive this Certification Statement signed by CRD.

☒ Attached is a copy of my application to USACE (required)

Signature of Applicant: Kathleen Vaught

Date: 3/4/25

FOR AGENCY INTERNAL USE ONLY:	Date Received (Commencement Date): <u>3/16/25</u>
USACE Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by USACE):	<u>SAS-2025-00226</u>
USACE Authorization Type (select one): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Permit <input type="checkbox"/> General Permit # <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NWP # <u>13</u>	
USACE Project Manager:	<u>Davielle Drayton</u>
CRD Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by CRD):	<u>LOP20250028</u>
CRD Project Manager:	<u>Cheyenne Osborn</u>

CRD HAS REVIEWED AND CONCURS WITH THIS CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT TO THE EXTENT THE USACE AUTHORIZED PROJECT DESCRIPTION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE AUTHORIZED PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR ANY CRD PERMIT ISSUED FOR THIS PROJECT

CRD Signature: Bill Andrews

Date: JUN 05 2025

Printed Name: Bill Andrews

Title: Chief

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

STATE OF GEORGIA


REVOCABLE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF TIDAL WATERBOTTOMS

APPLICANT NAME(S): Kathleen Oswald Vaught and Robert Anderson Vaught  
MAILING ADDRESS: 306C McAlpin Drive, Savannah, GA 31406  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)  
PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: 306C McAlpin Drive, Savannah, GA 31406  
COUNTY: Chatham WATERWAY: Moon River  
LOT, BLOCK & SUBDIVISION NAME FROM DEED: Lot 7, Block K, Vernon View S/D

The State of Georgia hereby grants you a revocable license not coupled with an interest<sup>1</sup>. This area may now or in the future be utilized by boats employing power drawn nets under the provisions for commercial or sport bait shrimping. In its occupancy and use of the premises, licensee shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, gender, color, national origin, religion, age, or disability. This covenant by licensee may be enforced by termination of this license, by injunction, and/or by any other remedy available at law to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

Attached hereto as Attachments A and B and made a part of this license are the project description, drawing(s), and terms and conditions that are the subject of this license. The project approved for this license must be constructed and completed within the specified timeframe noted in the terms and conditions and must be maintained in serviceable condition. Otherwise, action will be initiated to revoke this license and all structures must be removed immediately at the licensee's expense.

STATE OF GEORGIA  
Office of the Governor

By:   
For: Walter Rabon  
Commissioner-DNR

Date: JUN 05 2025

Enclosures:

LOP20250028

<sup>1</sup> Tidal water bottoms and marshlands of coastal Georgia are public trust lands owned by the State, except where ownership of such lands is demonstrated through an unbroken chain of title to a valid Crown or State Grant, which explicitly conveys the beds of such tidewaters. The Revocable License authorizes use of lands presumed to be owned by the State of Georgia, and which are under control of the State. This Revocable License is issued with the understanding and condition that it could be rendered invalid should another person demonstrate ownership to such lands pursuant to a valid Crown Grant or State Grant. This Revocable License is issued with the understanding that such lands are subject to the public trust doctrine.



**From:** [Jessica Vick](#)  
**To:** [Osborne, Cheyenne](#); [Bob Vaught](#); [VickMarineInc@gmail.com](mailto:VickMarineInc@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Re: Letter of Permission for 306C McAlpin Drive Existing Bulkhead - in need of repair  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 25, 2025 1:19:41 PM  
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Good Afternoon Cheyenne,

May I request a re-issuance of LOP20250028? The approximate start date will be December 1 and the work should be completed in the allotted 6 months. If possible to request a longer construction timeline than 6 months, that would be great. Otherwise, I'll keep you updated as construction progresses.

Sincerely,

Jessica Vick  
912-977-5244

On Wed, Oct 8, 2025 at 3:52 PM Osborne, Cheyenne <[cheyenne.osborne1@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:cheyenne.osborne1@dnr.ga.gov)> wrote:

Jessica,

You will want to request closer to the expiration of 12/5/2025 that LOP20250028 be re-issued. If I re-issue it now, it will only be valid 6 months from the date of the letter. Reach out to me around the beginning of November with an approximate start and end date of construction. That will give us ample time to get it re-issued before the expiration, without having two LOPs active for the same project.

Let me know if you have any other questions about this.

Respectfully,

Cheyenne Osborne  
Coastal Permit Coordinator  
[Coastal Resources Division](#)  
Office: 912-264-7218 | Direct: 912-602-2788

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## COASTAL PERMITTING SERVICES

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912-977-5244

03.04.2025

Coastal Resources Division  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
One Conservation Way  
Brunswick, GA 31520

Subject: Request for Letter of Permission (LOP) – Bulkhead Replacement at 306C McAlpin Drive, Savannah, GA 31406

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Dr. Robert and Mrs. Kathleen Vaught, we respectfully request a Letter of Permission (LOP) from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources – Coastal Resources Division to replace the existing bulkhead at 306C McAlpin Drive, Savannah, GA 31406.

### **Project Scope**

The proposed project consists of the removal and replacement of an existing timber bulkhead along approximately 122 linear feet of shoreline on the Moon River. The current bulkhead, which stands approximately 5 feet high off the mudline, is nearly 30 years old and has started to deteriorate. Recent storm events have exacerbated structural deficiencies, leading to the development of sinkholes in the backyard due to soil loss through compromised sections of the wall at the mudline.

The replacement bulkhead will be installed in the same footprint as the existing structure. The new bulkhead will be constructed using marine grade timbers and stainless steel/HDG hardware to enhance shoreline stabilization and mitigate further erosion. The bluff elevation in this area is between 5 and 6 feet, based on the NAVD88 vertical datum.

### **Proposed Construction Methodology**

The contractor will first remove the existing bulkhead using standard excavation and demolition techniques. The new bulkhead will be constructed in the same location using driven structural components to ensure long-term stability. Construction equipment and materials will be staged on the upland portion of the property, with minimal disturbance to adjacent areas and no encroachment into state-owned water bottoms beyond the footprint of the existing bulkhead. Deadmen will be installed approximately 12' upland to anchor the wall. Filter cloth will be fastened to the back side of the wall, creating a "bag" at the bottom to ensure no seepage. Weep holes will be drilled in the wall to allow drainage of perched groundwater. Less than 1 CY/LF of backfill will be installed, where needed.

### **Project Timeline**

Construction is expected to take approximately three (3) months to complete. The project will commence within one (1) year of permit issuance, subject to contractor scheduling and weather conditions.

### **Supporting Documentation**

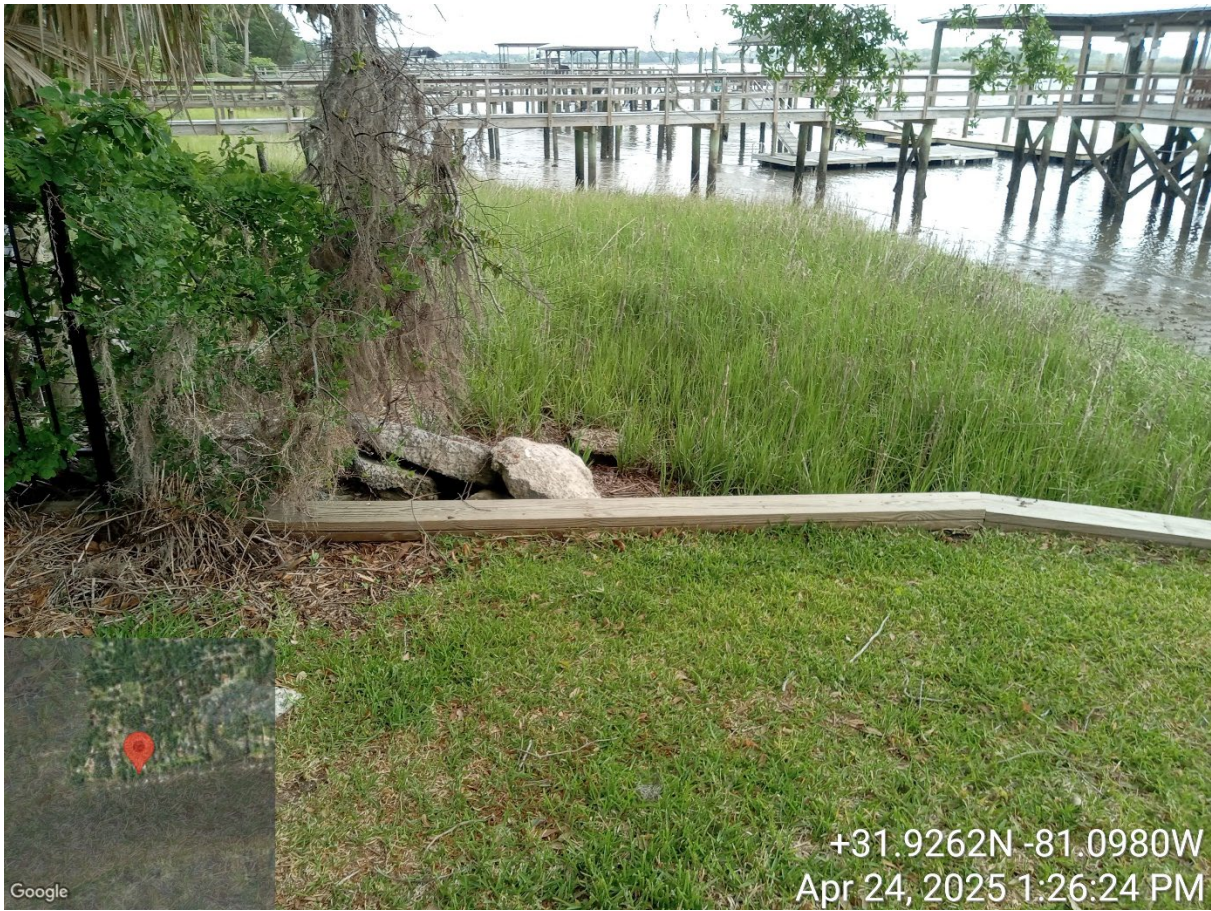
Enclosed with this request, we have provided the following supporting documents:

- Signed Request for Revocable License for the Use of Tidal Waterbottoms
- Signed Federal Consistency Certification Statement
- Property deed
- Plat
- Site plan and drawing of the property and proposed bulkhead replacement
- SAGIS map showing elevation contours (Vertical Datum NAVD88)

We appreciate your time and consideration of this request. If any additional information is required to facilitate the review process, please do not hesitate to contact me at jvick5244@gmail.com or 912-977-5244.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Vick  
Project Manager  
Coastal Permitting Services





Site Visit – 306C McAlpin Street – Vaught – LOP20250028 – by PM Cheyenne Osborne w/ Mariana S.





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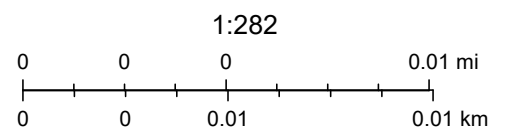
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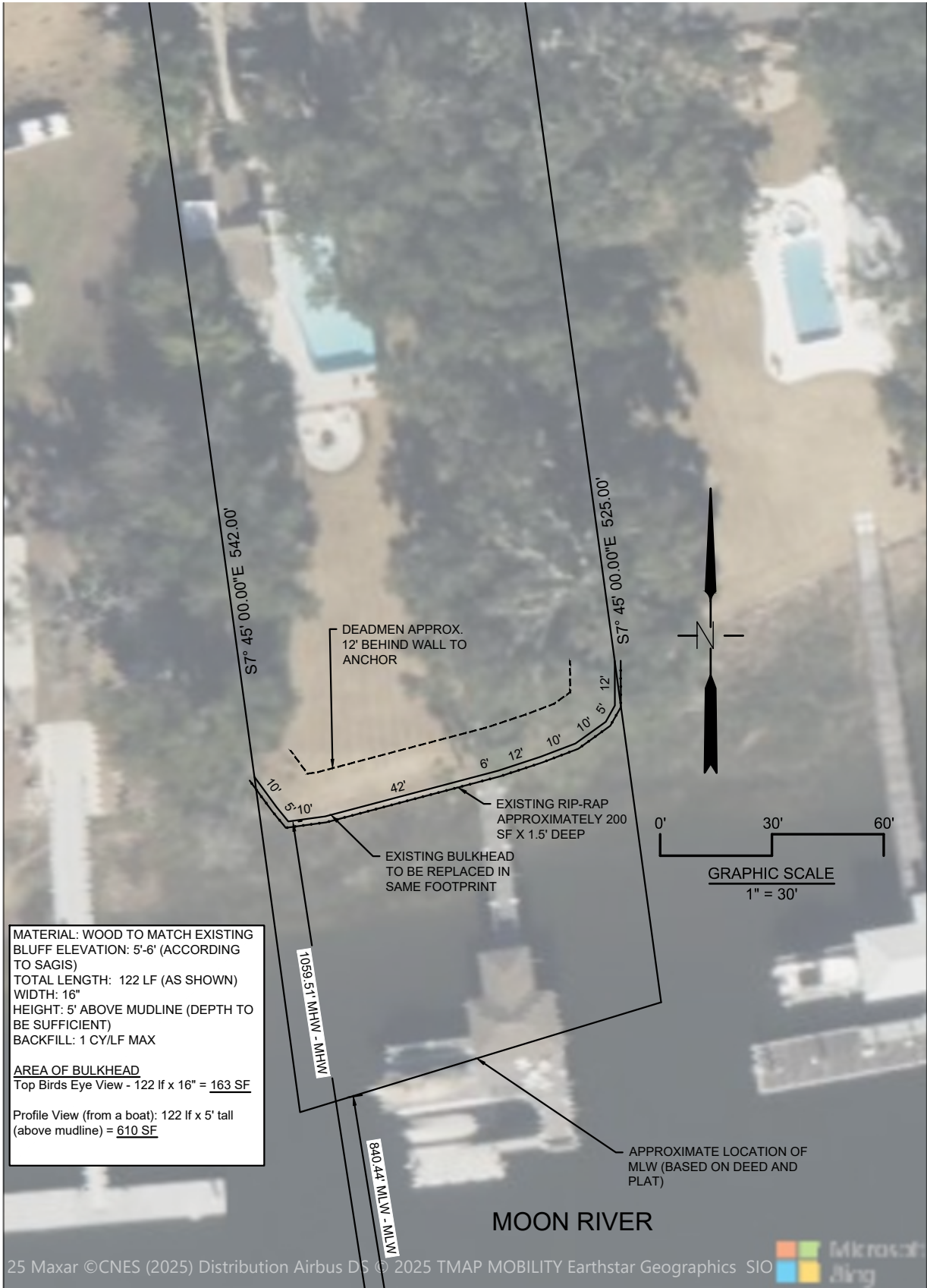


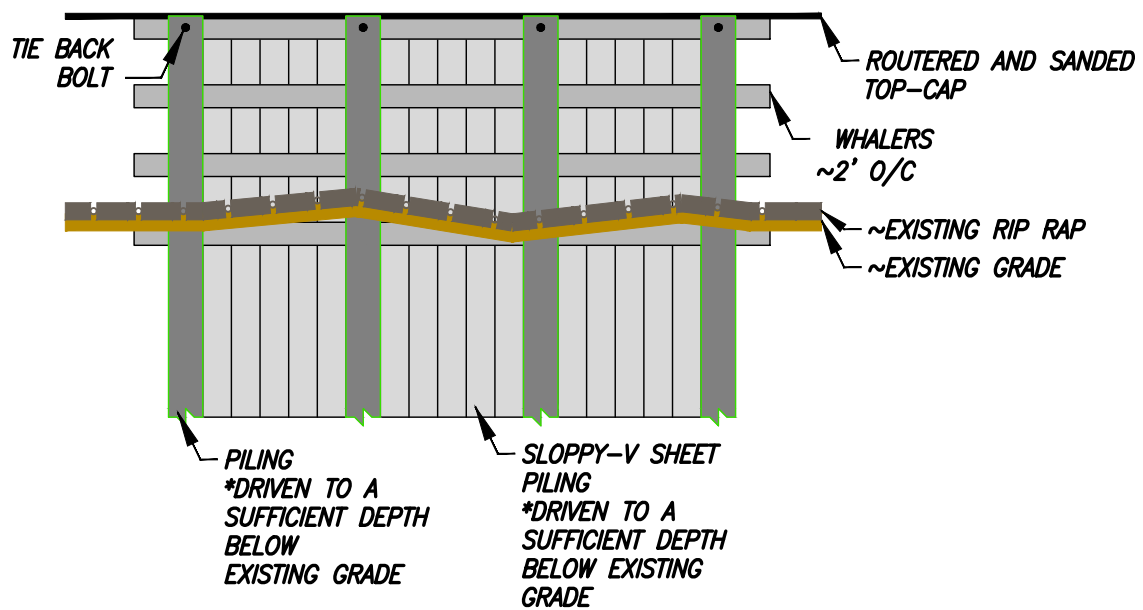
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 Property Boundaries (Parcels)

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*PROFILE OF PROPOSED BULKHEAD (VIEW  
FROM RIVERSIDE)*

- PROPOSED RETAINING WALL WILL BE INSTALLED NO FURTHER SEAWARD THAN THE FRONT FACE OF THE "TOP TIER" OF THE EXISTING RETAINING WALL.
- 3/4" WEEP HOLES WILL BE DRILLED 10' O/C AT THE BOTTOM OF THE WALL.
- FILTER CLOTH WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE BACK (LANDSIDE) OF THE SLOPPY-V SHEET PILE.
- EACH PILE WILL BE SECURED WITH A 3/8" GALVANIZED TIE-BACK ROD, FASTENED TO A 4' GALVANIZED SCREW-IN AUGER. THE AUGER WILL BE SCREWED INTO THE UNDISTURBED HARD SOIL FOR ADDITIONAL STRENGTH.
- FILL DIRT WILL BE HAULED IN AND PACKED IN THE VOID.