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COMMISSIONER

DOUG HAYMANS
DIRECTOR

October 6, 2026

Joe Stowe
SJ Hamill Construction, LLC
2008 Cherry Hill Lane
Charleston, SC 29405

Re: Letter of Permission (LOP) and Revocable License (RL), Installation of Six Temporary Breasting Piles, Savannah Marine Services, Inc., Wharf Lot No. 8, Hutchinson Island, Savannah River, Chatham County, Georgia (SAS-2026-00848).

Dear Mr. Stowe,

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request, received June 16, 2026, on behalf of Savannah Marine Services, Inc. (SMS) for installation of six temporary breasting piles at the location specified above. The project will begin no sooner than fifteen (15) days from the date of this letter and be completed within six (6) months.

The existing 1-acre upland site is bordered by a steel sheet pile bulkhead on the southern and eastern sides. The bulkhead was previously permitted under Coastal Marshlands Protection Act Permit #307. SMS will install six (6) 36in. diameter 75ft. long steel breasting piles. The breasting piles will be installed approximately 2ft. channelward of the existing sheetpile bulkhead. Each breasting pile will impact approximately 7.1sq.ft of coastal marshlands for a total of 42.6sq.ft. of temporary impacts. Once installed the breasting piles will support mooring for 2 large barges that will extend to approximately 81ft. from the federal shipping channel. The barges are temporary and will be in place for the duration of the breasting piles.

The Department authorizes installation of breasting piles 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 will be repaired by a method acceptable to the Department.

This authorization does not relieve you from obtaining any other federal, state, or local permits. If you have any further questions or concerns regarding this or any other projects, please feel free to contact Paul Tobler at (912) 689-6261.

Sincerely,



Jill Andrews
Assistant Director

Enclosures: Revocable License, Federal Consistency Certification Statement, Project
Description, Drawings

Cc: Savannah Marine Services, Inc.
Mary Van Puffelen
49 Hutchinson Island Road
Savannah, GA 31421

Kaylan.M.Metz@usace.army.mil

File: LOP20260058

STATE OF GEORGIA

REVOCABLE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF TIDAL WATERBOTTOMS

APPLICANT NAME(S): Savannah Marine Services, Inc.
MAILING ADDRESS: 49 Hutchinson Island Road, Savannah, GA 31421
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)
PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: 49 Hutchinson Island Road
COUNTY: Chatham WATERWAY: Savannah River
LOT, BLOCK & SUBDIVISION NAME FROM DEED: Wharf Lot Number Eight (8)

The State of Georgia hereby grants you a revocable license not coupled with an interest¹. 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: October 6, 2026

Enclosures: Attachment A: Project Description, Terms and Conditions
Attachment B: Project Drawing(s)

LOP20260058

¹ 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.

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Printed Name of Applicant(s): Savannah Marine Services, Inc.

Applicant Email: williamvp@bibliainc.com

Phone: 912-429-5896

Agent Name (if applicable): SJ Hamill Construction, LLC

Phone: 843-694-1854

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: Mary Van Puffelen Date: June 15, 2026

FOR AGENCY INTERNAL USE ONLY:	Date Received (Commencement Date): <u>6/26/2026</u>
USACE Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by USACE):	<u>SAS-2026-00848</u>
USACE Authorization Type (select one): ☐ Individual Permit ☒ General Permit # <u>LOP</u> ☐ NWP # _____	
USACE Project Manager:	<u>Kaylan Metz</u>
CRD Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by CRD):	<u>LOP20260058</u>
CRD Project Manager:	<u>PAUL D. TOBLER</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

RECEIVED

JUN 16 2026

GADNR

CRD Signature: [Signature]
Printed Name: Will Andrews

Date: 10/6/26
Title: Assistant Director

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.



SJ Hamill Construction, LLC
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(843)-872-8000

Monday, June 08, 2026

Letter No. SJH-2604_001

Ms. Sarah Wise
Chief, Coastal Section
Regulatory Branch
US Army Corp of Engineers, Savannah District
100 West Oglethorpe Avenue
Savannah, Georgia 31401-3640

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Resources Division
Attn: Mr. Josh Noble
One Conservation Way
Brunswick, Georgia 31520-8687

Subject: Breasting Pile LOP Request
SJ Hamill Construction, LLC Savannah River Marine Yard
Chatham County, Georgia

Dear Ms. Wise & Mr. Noble:

SJ Hamill Construction, LLC is requesting a letter of permission to perform maintenance on the existing facility located on the north side of the Savannah River on Hutchinson Island Chatham County, Georgia (32.051606° , -81.053970°). The proposed activities will include the following:

- Installation of (6) breasting pile adjacent to existing sheet pile bulkhead.

For your review and use we have attached the following information.

- USACE Form ENG 434: Permit Application
- USACE Form ENG6294: Right of Entry
- USACE Form ENG6295: Agent Authorization
- GADNR Revocable License Request Form
- GADNR Federal Consistency Certification Statement
- Site Location Map
- USGS Topographic Survey
- Ortho Photo
- Photographs of the existing facility
- Deed & Plat of Property



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We greatly appreciate your assistance with this project. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact us at (843)-694-1854.

Regards,

SJ HAMILL CONSTRUCTION, LLC

Jordan K. Adams, PE
President

STATE OF GEORGIA

REQUEST FOR A REVOCABLE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF TIDAL WATERBOTTOMS

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(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)
PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: 49 Hutchinson Island Rd
COUNTY: Chatham WATERWAY: Savannah River
LOT, BLOCK & SUBDIVISION NAME FROM DEED: Wharf Lot Number Eight (8)

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:

Mary Van Poppel
Signature of Applicant

Date:

June 15, 2026

Owner

Title, if applicable

By:

Signature of Applicant

Date:

Title, if applicable

Attachments

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
APPLICATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT
For use of this form, see 33 CFR 325. The proponent agency is CECW-COR.

Form Approved -
OMB No. 0710-0003
Expires: 2027-10-31

public reporting burden for this collection of information, OMB Control Number 0710-0003, is estimated to average 11 hours per response, including the 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 Service, hs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil. 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. PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR APPLICATION TO THE ABOVE EMAIL.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Authorities: Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 10, 33 USC 403; Clean Water Act, Section 404, 33 USC 1344; Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act, Section 103, 33 USC 1413; Regulatory Programs of the Corps of Engineers; Final Rule 33 CFR 320-332. Principal Purpose: Information provided on this form is used in evaluating the application for a permit. Routine Uses: This information may be shared with the Department of Justice and other federal, state, and local government agencies, and the public and may be made available as part of a public notice as required by Federal law. Submission of requested information is voluntary, however, if information is not provided the permit application cannot be evaluated nor can a permit be issued. One set of original drawings or good quality reproducible copies which show the location and character of the proposed activity must be attached to this application (see sample drawings and/or instructions). The information received is entered into our permit tracking database and a SORN has been completed (SORN #A1145b). The information may be accessed at the following website: <http://dpcld.defense.gov/Privacy/SORNs/index/DOD-wide-SORN-Article-View/Article/570115/a1145b-ce.aspx>

(ITEMS 1 THRU 4 TO BE FILLED BY THE CORPS)

1. APPLICATION NO.	2. FIELD OFFICE CODE	3. DATE RECEIVED	4. DATE APPLICATION COMPLETED
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(ITEMS BELOW TO BE FILLED BY APPLICANT)

5. APPLICANT'S NAME First - Middle - Last - Company - Savannah Marine Services, Inc. E-mail Address - williamvp@bibliainc.com	8. AUTHORIZED AGENT'S NAME AND TITLE (agent is not required) First - Middle - Last - Company - SJ Hamill Construction, LLC E-mail Address - jstowe@sjhamill.com
6. APPLICANT'S ADDRESS: Address - 49 Hutchinson Island Rd City - Savannah State - GA Zip - 31421 Country - USA	9. AGENT'S ADDRESS: Address - 2008 Cherry Hill Ln City - Charleston State - SC Zip - 29405 Country - USA
7. APPLICANT'S PHONE NOS. w/AREA CODE a. Residence 912-429-5896 b. Business c. Fax	10. AGENT'S PHONE NOS. w/AREA CODE a. Residence 843-694-1854 b. Business c. Fax

STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize, Mary Van Dyke to act in my behalf as my agent in the processing of this application and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this permit application.

 June 15, 2026
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

NAME, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY

PROJECT NAME OR TITLE (see instructions) Savannah Yard Maintenance	
NAME OF WATERBODY, IF KNOWN (if applicable) Savannah River	14. PROJECT STREET ADDRESS (if applicable) Address 49 Hutchinson Island Road
LOCATION OF PROJECT Latitude: N 32.051606 Longitude: W -81.053970	City - Savannah State - GA Zip - 31421
OTHER LOCATION DESCRIPTIONS, IF KNOWN (see instructions) e Tax Parcel ID 10482 01005 Municipality Location - Township - Range -	

17. DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE

Site is located on the north side of the Savannah River on Hutchinson Island.
See attached exhibits for additional information.

18. Nature of Activity (Description of project, include all features)

SJH to install (6) 36'' diameter breasting pile 75-feet in length with a vibratory hammer along the properties existing sheet pile bulkhead that runs parallel to the Savannah River. Additional information on dimensioning and offsets can be found on attached exhibits.

19. Project Purpose (Describe the reason or purpose of the project, see instructions)

SJH is installing (6) breasting pile to provide a berthing face for barges allowing access to site facilities for marine construction activities.

USE BLOCKS 20-23 IF DREDGED AND/OR FILL MATERIAL IS TO BE DISCHARGED

20. Reason(s) for Discharge

N/A

21. Type(s) of Material Being Discharged and the Amount of Each Type in Cubic Yards:

Type	Type	Type
Amount in Cubic Yards	Amount in Cubic Yards	Amount in Cubic Yards
N/A		

22. Surface Area in Acres of Wetlands or Other Waters Filled (see instructions)

Acres
or
Linear Feet

N/A

23. Description of Avoidance, Minimization, and Compensation (see instructions)

N/A

Is Any Portion of the Work Already Complete? ☐ Yes ☒ No IF YES, DESCRIBE THE COMPLETED WORK

Addresses of Adjoining Property Owners, Lessees, Etc., Whose Property Adjoins the Waterbody (if more than can be entered here, please attach a supplemental list).

Address- 0 Hutchinson Island Road

- Savannah State - GA Zip - 31421

Address- 155 Hutchinson Island Road

- Savannah State - GA Zip - 31421

Address- 165 Hugh Tracy Blvd

- Savannah State - GA Zip - 31421

Address-

- State - Zip -

Address-

- State - Zip -

List of Other Certificates or Approvals/Denials received from other Federal, State, or Local Agencies for Work Described in This Application.

AGENCY	TYPE APPROVAL*	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	DATE APPLIED	DATE APPROVED	DATE DENIED

ould include but is not restricted to zoning, building, and flood plain permits

Application is hereby made for permit or permits to authorize the work described in this application. I certify that this information in this application 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.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

06/08/26
DATE

SIGNATURE OF AGENT

06/08/26
DATE

Application must be signed by the person who desires to undertake the proposed activity (applicant) or it may be signed by a duly authorized agent if the statement in block 11 has been filled out and signed.

J.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States wrongfully and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes 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.



SJH Project No.:	26-04
Figure No.:	3
Prepared By:	JS
Sketch Date:	06/08/2026

**Savannah Yard
Maintenance**
Chatham County, Georgia

Ortho Photograph
Savannah Marine Services, Inc.





SJH Project No.:	26-04
Figure No.:	4
Prepared By:	JS
Sketch Date:	06/08/2026

**Savannah Yard
Maintenance**
Chatham County, Georgia

Existing Facility

Savannah Marine Services, Inc.





SJH Project No.:	26-04
Figure No.:	5
Prepared By:	JS
Sketch Date:	06/08/2026

**Savannah Yard
Maintenance**
Chatham County, Georgia

Existing Facility

Savannah Marine Services, Inc.





PREPARED FOR
SJ HAMIL CONSTRUCTION
2008 CHERRY HILL LANE
CHARLESTON, SC 29405

REVISIONS	
NO.	DATE

PROJECT NO.
49 Hutchinson Island Rd.
Savannah, GA 31421
PROJECT NAME
28-04
DATE
10/20/2010
SCALE
N.T.S.

PLAN NO.
YARD MAINTENANCE
DATE
10/20/2010

BREASTING PILE

S-101

Savannah Yard

Breasting Pile	Northing	Easting
BP1	988105.3782	760512.8781
BP2	988138.127	760478.1279
BP3	988170.8759	760443.3777
BP4	988203.6247	760408.6275
BP5	988236.3822	760373.8681
BP6	988281.6476	760325.8364

