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December 15, 2022

Mr. Josh Noble Georgia Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division One Conservation Way, Suite 300 Brunswick, Georgia 31520-8687

Subject:

Coastal Marshlands Protection Act Permit Application

Georgia Ports Authority: Colonel's Island Terminal Outfall Upgrades

Glynn County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Noble:

On behalf of the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA), Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc. (SECI) is pleased to submit the attached application for a Coastal Marshlands Protection Act Permit for the above referenced project. The project area is located on the western side of Colonel's Island Terminal (CIT) on Fancy Bluff Creek in southern Glynn County. The project consists of drainage improvements to an existing auto processing parcel, and a new stormwater outfall is required. Project related impacts include 1,265 sq. ft. of rip-rap, 90 sq. ft. of new pipe/headwall, and 2,396 sq. ft. of temporary disturbance during construction. The temporarily disturbed areas will be restored to pre-existing contours and allowed to naturally revegetate upon construction completion. Because total impacts are only 0.089 acre, we believe the project qualifies as a "minor" CMPA action. The permit application includes:

- Joint Application Form
- · Revocable License Request Form
- Federal Consistency Certification Form
- Project Area Maps
- Permit Exhibits
- CESAS Form 19 Supporting Documentation
- Typical Site Photographs
- EDGES Applicant Slip
- IPAC List

Following your review of this information, please contact us at (912) 232-0451 should you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Brandon W. Wall Project Biologist

Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc.

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Enclosures

cc:

Ms. Melissa Johnson - AECOM

Ms. Sarah Wise - USACE (under separate cover)

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# **CESAS Form 19 Support Documentation**

# Georgia Ports Authority Colonel's Island Terminal Outfall Upgrades Glynn County, Georgia

The following information is submitted as support documentation in association with the attached application requesting authorization to impact waters of the U.S. pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and the Coastal Marshlands Protection Act of 1970 pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Part 12-5-286 (OCGA).

#### 1.0 Introduction

The Georgia Ports Authority (GPA) is proposing to install a new stormwater outfall on the western side of the Colonel's Island Terminal (CIT). Upgrades to one of the auto parcels in this location necessitate improvements to the drainage system. The project area is located adjacent to Fancy Bluff Creek at 31.12537°N, 81.54521°W near the confluence of the South Brunswick River and the Turtle River in southern Glynn County. Landside access to the site is via Joe Frank Harris Drive from U.S. Highway 17, approximately 2.5 miles east of Interstate-95.

# 2.0. Project Purpose and Need

CIT is a fully functional and fully utilized automotive (Ro/Ro) terminal. The terminal consists of flat, paved auto storage lots with appropriate security fencing, access drives, and processing buildings. On the western side of CIT (at the proposed outfall location) is the MYD Harris Yard which is the intermodal facility that provides rail service for the terminal where automobiles are loaded and off-loaded onto rail cars. Currently, stormwater from Parcel 4 (and other parcels on-terminal) sheetflows into a freshwater stormwater ditch located along the eastern side of the MYD Harris Yard. It drains to the north, eventually outfalling to Fancy Bluff Creek, but there is only one outfall that is responsible for a high acreage of development. Another outfall is required to accommodate increased drainage as a result of on-going development, provide additional relief during high storm flows, and ensure that flooding impacts do not occur to automotive cargo.

# 3.0 Habitat Description

The inlet of the proposed outfall will be located in the aforementioned freshwater stormwater ditch which is approximately 20 feet wide with surface water and emergent vegetation throughout. Vegetation includes maiden cane (Panicum hemitomon), cattail (Typha latifolia), and soft rush (Juncus effusus). The outlet will be located within saltmarsh adjacent to Fancy Bluff Creek that is vegetated by smooth cordgrass (Spartina alterniflora) and needle rush (Juncus roemeranus) with saltgrass (Distichlis spicata), sea oxeye (Borrichea frutescens), and seaside goldenrod (Solidago sempervirens) located along the edges. Upland area adjacent to the marsh contains red cedar (Juniperus virginiana), wax myrtle (Myrica cerifera), and broomsedge (Andropogon virgincus). Other upland within the outfall construction area consists of the existing rail yard.

## 4.0 Proposed Activities in Jurisdiction

The applicant will install the new outfall by open cut method through the MYD Harris Yard. The outfall will consist of three 24-inch steel pipes space five feet apart. A headwall structure will be installed at the inlet (freshwater ditch) and outlet (saltmarsh). The headwall/pipe installation will impact 90 square feet of marsh (0.002 acre). A rip-rap apron will be installed around the pipes/headwall for stabilization and erosion control impacting 1,265 square feet (0.029 acre). During construction, clearing and other temporary disturbance will be required for installation of the proposed structures impacting 2,396 square feet (0.055 acre). All clearing/temporary disturbance areas will be restored to pre-existing contours as needed and will be allowed to naturally revegetate upon project completion. In all, impacts to jurisdiction total 3,751 square feet (0.086 acre)

## 5.0 Alternatives Analysis

The project consists of installing a new stormwater outfall in the stormwater ditch that extends along the MYD Harris Yard. Currently, this stormwater ditch only has one outfall, but neither the ditch nor the outfall is adequate to accommodate all of the drainage area on this side of the terminal. During a large storm event, flooding impacts could occur to the automotive cargo on this portion of the terminal due to the lack of proper outfalls and drainage. Since the proposed project is a drainage improvement to an existing stormwater system, alternative methods or alternative sites were not considered.

For alternative designs, there is no other alternative that would appreciably reduce jurisdictional impacts. The structure must achieve the proper elevation to ensure positive drainage, so slight extension into the marsh is necessary. In addition, rip-rap is necessary to accommodate higher velocity discharges during large storm events. Rip-rap is also necessary to ensure high tide flows do not erode the bank or substrate around the new pipes/headwall. The rip-rap footprint was designed accordingly to satisfy these two requirements. The preferred alternative requires only a temporary and minor disturbance to jurisdiction while providing a long-term solution for drainage at the terminal.

#### 6.0 Avoidance and Minimization:

In order to minimize the effects of the proposed project, all development activities will be performed using best management practices to further avoid and minimize impacts to upstream and downstream waters. Temporary disturbance areas will be restored upon project completion, as needed, and left to naturally regenerate. It is anticipated that these measures will minimize the effect of the project to not only avoided waters, but also to protected species and habitats.

### 7.0 Threatened and Endangered Species

The property was assessed for the potential occurrence of threatened and endangered species and habitats suitable to sustain these listed species for Glynn County, Georgia. The habitats found on site consist of existing development, freshwater ditch, and vegetated saltmarsh. No open waters are present that could support shortnose sturgeon, Atlantic sturgeon, west Indian manatee, or sea turtles. The marsh habitat could provide foraging habitat for wood stork, but installation of a simple outfall structure would have no adverse effect to the wood stork or its habitat. There is abundant freshwater and tidal wetland and open water habitat in the area for wood storks to use for foraging. The marsh could also provide suitable habitat for eastern black rail, but an abundant amount of marsh in the area would accommodate any black rails that may be displaced by the project. The mobile nature of the species would also allow it to avoid impacts during construction. It is not expected that the minimal level of disturbance associated with the project would impact wood storks, eastern black rails, or any other protected species. It was therefore determined that the proposed project would have no adverse effect on any listed species.

# 8.0 Essential Fish Habitat

The proposed waterside activities are located within coastal waters identified as Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). Some vegetated marsh will be disturbed during construction, but the area associated with rip-rap and headwall installation is minimal. Any temporarily disturbed marsh areas will be restored to natural contours and allowed to naturally regenerate upon project completion. In addition, the proposed rip-rap will protect against erosion from the outfall in addition to providing shelter habitat for fish, shellfish, and other aquatic organisms. It was therefore determined that the proposed project would not adversely affect EFH.

# 9.0 Water Quality

The project will incorporate an adequate rip-rap apron to protect against erosion of tidal wetland during stormwater discharges. No long term adverse effect to water quality is expected. It is expected that the project will be authorized by a Nationwide Permit and an Individual 401 Water Quality Certification is not required.

# 10.0 Upland Component:

It was determined that there is no upland component for the project. The project will provide stormwater outfall relief for existing automotive processing parcels.

# 11.0 Supplemental Information

This additional information is provided for compliance with Coastal Marshlands Protection Act of 1970 information requirements:

# OCGA 12-5-286. Permits to fill, drain, etc., marshlands.

- (b) Each application for such permit shall be, properly executed, filed with the department on forms as prescribed by the department, and shall include:
  - (1) The name and address of the applicant-

Georgia Ports Authority Attn: Mr. Chris Novack, P.E. P.O. Box 2406 Savannah, Georgia 31402

(2) A plan or drawing showing the applicant's proposal and the manner or method by which such proposal shall be accomplished. Such plan shall identify the coastal marshlands affected-

See attached drawings from AECOM.

(3) A plat of the area in which the proposed work will take place-

N/A - see below

(4) A copy of the deed or other instrument under which the applicant claims title to the property or, if the applicant is not the owner, then a copy of the deed or other instrument under which the owner claims title together with written permission from the owner to carry out the project on his land. In lieu of a deed or other instrument referred to in this paragraph, the committee may accept some other reasonable evidence of ownership of the property in question or other lawful authority to make use of the property; The committee will not adjudicate title disputes concerning the property which is the subject of the application; provided, however, the committee may decline to process an application when submitted documents show conflicting deeds-

The project site is located at Colonel's Island Terminal owned by General Warranty Deed by the Georgia Ports Authority. The deed and plat to the property have been submitted to and approved by CRD at least four times under CMPA #725 (original permit and permit mod), CMPA #767, and CMPA #782. The deed is recorded in Deed Book 10X, Page 166 of the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Glynn County. Since ownership of the property has been demonstrated multiple times in the past several years, no additional proof is required.

(5) A list of all adjoining landowners together with such owners' addresses, provided that if the names or addresses of adjoining landowners cannot be determined, the applicant shall file in lieu thereof a sworn affidavit that a diligent search, including, without limitation, a search of the records of the county tax assessor's office, has been made but that the applicant was not able to ascertain the names or addresses, as the case may be, of adjoining landowners-

State of Georgia Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. SE 1454E Atlanta, GA 30334 Adolfo Correia P.O. Box 2154 Brunswick, GA 31521 (6) A letter from the local governing authority of the political subdivision in which the property is located, stating that the applicant's proposal does not violate any zoning law:

The GPA was created in 1945 by an Act of the General Assembly and is codified in O.C.G.A. 52-2-1 through 52-2-39. As an instrumentality of the State of Georgia, the GPA is not bound by county ordinances, including zoning ordinances of Glynn County. As stated in O.C.G.A. § 1-3-8; 1958-59 Op. Att'y Gen. p. 5., even a general power granted to a county does not apply to the state or its instrumentalities in the absence of express language in the grant. Instead, the GPA is responsible for making all necessary rules and regulations for its own government as stated in O.C.G.A. 52-2-7. The local zoning issue was specifically addressed in a 1985 Opinion from the Georgia Attorney General, being No. U84-11, where the Attorney General stated that real estate of the GPA is not subject to local zoning ordinances of Glynn County.

The proposed project conforms to the existing land use at the terminal, but as illustrated by state law and the official Opinion from the Georgia Attorney General, no letter from the Glynn County Zoning & Planning Division is required.

(7) A non-refundable application fee to be set by the board in an amount necessary to defray the administrative cost of issuing such permit. Renewal fees shall be equal to application fees, which shall not exceed \$1,000.00 for any one proposal and shall be paid to the department.

The applicant will provide the appropriate application fee once the amount is set/requested by CRD.

(8) A description from the applicant of alternative sites and why they are not feasible and a discussion of why the permit should be granted-

See above project description

(9) A statement from the applicant that he has made inquiry to the appropriate authorities that the proposed project is not over a landfill or hazardous waste site and that the site is otherwise suitable for the proposed project-

A review of the Hazardous Site Index for Glynn County, Georgia indicates that the subject property does not contain hazardous waste sites or landfills.

(10) A copy of the water quality certification issued by the department if required for the proposed project-

The project will be authorized by a Nationwide Permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers which has already been authorized by EPD. No 401 Individual Water Quality Certification will be required.

(11) Certification by the applicant of adherence to soil and erosion control responsibilities if required for the proposed project-

The project will conform to all state-mandated land disturbing and stormwater management requirements.

(12) Such additional information as is required by the committee to properly evaluate the application.

The GPA was created in 1945 to implement a constitutional mandate to construct and maintain state docks (See Ga. Const. 1945, Art. VII, Sec. II, Para. I(6); Ga. Const. 1983, Art. VII, Sec. III, Para. I(a)). The GPA performs "an essential governmental function" for public purposes for the "benefit of the people of this state" (O.C.G.A. § 52-2-37). With that in mind, this application has been prepared with consideration for the interests of the general public of the State of Georgia as defined in O.C.G.A. § 12-5-286(g). The project is in the public's best interest as it will protect automotive cargo from flooding and will promote the Georgia Ports as the largest economic engine in Georgia.

#### OCGA 12-5-286. Permits to fill, drain, etc., marshlands.

- (g) In passing upon the application for permit, the committee shall consider the public interest, which, for purposes of this part, shall be deemed to be the following considerations:
- (1) Whether or not unreasonably harmful obstruction to or alteration of the natural flow of navigational water within the affected area will arise as a result of the proposal-

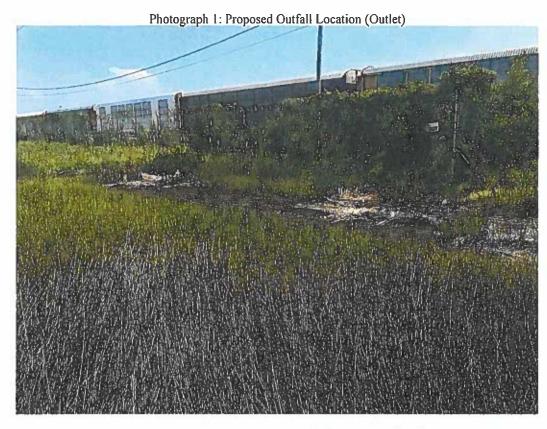
The proposed project will not alter natural flow of navigable waters nor will it obstruct public navigation. The proposed structures will be limited to a very small area of vegetated marsh adjacent to the upland.

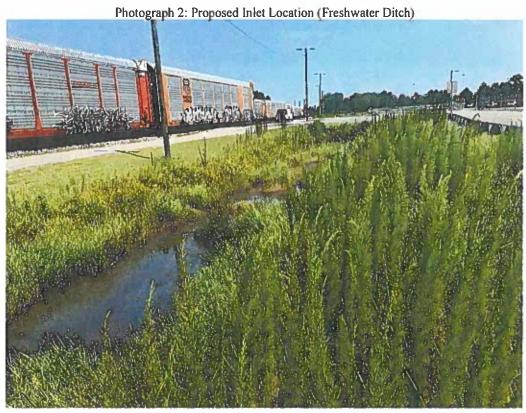
(2) Whether or not unreasonably harmful or increased crosion, shoaling of channels, or stagnant areas of water will be created-

The proposed project will not increase erosion, shoaling of channels, or create stagnant areas of water.

(3) Whether or not the granting of a permit and the completion of the applicant's proposal will unreasonably interfere with the conservation of fish, shrimp, oysters, crabs, clams, or other marine life, or wildlife, or other resources, including but not limited to water and oxygen supply-

The proposed project will not interfere with the conservation of fish, shrimp, oysters, crabs, clams, or other marine life, or wildlife, or other resources, nor affect water and oxygen supply. The proposed rip-rap may provide habitat for aquatic organisms.





# Savannah District EDGES Applicant Coordination Slip

Project: CIT Outfall Upgrades	County: Glynn	Coordinates: 31.12537, -81.54521
Applicant: Georgia Ports Authority - Mr. Chris Novack	Consultant: Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc	onsultants, inc
FWS-GA Review of Project or Survey Data (yes/no): No applicable): N/A	Date of FWS-GA Review (if	
Project Modifications After FWS-GA Review (including changes in timing):		

Species IPaC Indicated	Critical Habitat	Applicable EDGES	Species Habitat(s), as Described in the EDGES (e.g.,	Does this Habitat occur on Project	Will this Habitat be Altered by the
May Occur on Site	(yes/no)	Manatee	wetland, stream, forested, flatwoods, sandhills)  Open Water Estuary	Site (yes/no)	Project (yes/no)
Eastern Black Rail	S S	Eastern Black Rail	Marsh	Yes	Yes
Piping Plover	S.	Knot/Plover	Beach	N <sub>o</sub>	o <sub>N</sub>
Red Knot	o <sub>N</sub>	Knot/Plover	Beach	No	<sub>o</sub> N
Wood Stark	No	Wood Stork	Wetlands/Open Waters	Yes	Yes
Eastern Indigo Snake	No	Eastern Indigo Snake	Sandhills/Wetlands	ON.	ON
Sea Turtles	No	Sea Turtles	Beach (nesting)	ON.	ON.
Frosted Flatwoods Salamander	No ON	Flatwoods Salamander	Hatwoods	No	õ
Monarch Butterfly	No				
Hairy Rattleweed	No	Plants (Various)	N/A	No	No
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Please provide this form, the IPaC map and printout of listed species/Critical Habitat that may occur on site, and any FWS-GA comments on the project to the Savannah District with your application/PCN.

# **IPaC**

# U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

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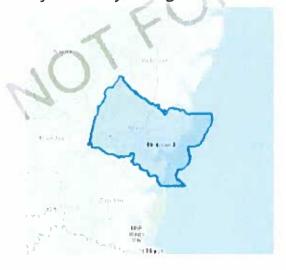
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project area, but that could potentially be directly or indirectly affected by activities in the project area. However, determining the likelihood and extent of effects a project may have on trust resources typically requires gathering additional site-specific (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.

# Location

Glynn County, Georgia



# Local office

Georgia Ecological Services Field Office

**4** (706) 613-9493

IPaC: Explore Location resources

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. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4469

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Threatened

Marine mammal

# Birds

NAME STATUS

Eastern Black Rail Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis Threatened Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10477

Threatened

Piping Plover Charadrius melodus

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6039

Red Knot Calidris canutus rufa

Wherever found

There is proposed critical habitat for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864

Threatened

Wood Stork Mycteria americana

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8477

**Threatened** 

Reptiles

NAME STATUS

Eastern Indigo Snake Drymarchon couperi

Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/646

Green Sea Turtle Chelonia mydas

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6199

Threatened

Threatened

Hawksbill Sea Turtle Eretmochelys imbricata

Wherever found

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3656

Endangered

Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle Lepidochelys kempii

Wherever found

There is proposed critical habitat for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5523

Endangered

Leatherback Sea Turtle Dermochelys coriacea

Wherever found

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1493

Endangered

Loggerhead Sea Turtle Caretta caretta

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1110

**Threatened** 

**Amphibians** 

NAME STATUS

Frosted Flatwoods Salamander Ambystoma cingulatum

Wherever found

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4981

Threatened

# Insects

NAME STATUS

Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus Candidate

Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743

# Flowering Plants

NAME STATUS

Hairy Rattleweed Baptisia arachnifera Endangered

Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8029

# Critical habitats

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

This location overlaps the critical habitat for the following species:

NAME

Piping Plover Charadrius melodus Final

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6039#crithab

# Migratory birds

Certain birds are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act<sup>1</sup> and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act<sup>2</sup>.

Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to migratory birds, eagles, and their habitats should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate conservation measures, as described below.

- 1. The Migratory Birds Treaty Act of 1918.
- 2. The Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act of 1940.

Additional information can be found using the following links:

# National Register

'A), Glynn County

# State Listings / History Districts / Vacant/Not In Use

# **GEORGIA - Glynn County**



Ballard School (added 2004 - - #04001181) Also known as County Community School 323 Old Jesup Hwy., Brunswick

#### Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

# Architect, builder, or engineer:

et.al., Abreu, Francis L.

### Architectural Style:

Bungalow/Craftsman, International Style

# Area of Significance:

Education, Architecture

# Period of Significance:

1950-1974, 1925-1949, 1900-1924

# Owner:

Local

# Historic Function:

Education

# Historic Sub-function:

School

# Current Function:

Vacant/Not In Use



Brunswick Old Town (added 1974 -- #74000683)

Also known as Bay St. Urban Renewal Area; See Also Brunswick Old Town Histo Address Restricted, Brunswick

#### Historic Significance:

Information Potential, Event

#### Area of Significance:

Commerce, Historic - Non-Aboriginal, Prehistoric, Community Planning And Development

#### **Cultural Affiliation:**

Late Pre-Historic, Early American

#### Period of Significance:

1749-1500 AD, 1499-1000 AD

#### Owner:

Local

# Historic Function:

Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Village Site

**Current Function:** 

Landscape

**Current Sub-function:** 

Underwater



Brunswick Old Town Historic District (added 1979 - - #79000727)

Also known as See Also; Brunswick Old Town

Roughly bounded by 1st, Bay, New Bay, H and Cochran Sts., Brunswick

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Unknown

Architectural Style:

Queen Anne, Stick/Eastlake

Area of Significance:

Transportation, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning And Development

Period of Significance:

1900-1924, 1875-1899, 1850-1874, 1750-1799

Owner:

Local Private

**Historic Function:** 

Commerce/Trade, Domestic, Landscape

Historic Sub-function:

Business, Park, Single Dwelling

**Current Function:** 

Commerce/Trade, Domestic, Government, Landscape

Current Sub-function:

Business, Government Office, Single Dwelling, Underwater

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Colored Memorial School and Risley High School (added 2002 - - #02001290) 1800 Albany St. , Brunswick

Historic Significance:

Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Abreu, Francis L.

Architectural Style:

Classical Revival, Other

Area of Significance:

Architecture, Education, Black

Period of Significance:

1950-1974, 1925-1949, 1900-1924

Owner:

Local

**Historic Function:** 

Education

Historic Sub-function:

School

Current Function:

Education

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Current Sub-function: School

B

Evelyn Plantation (added 1973 - - #73002309)

NW of GA 99 , Brunswick

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Faith Chapel (added 1971 - - #71000277)

Old Plantation Rd., Jekyll Island

Historic Significance:

Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Unknown

Architectural Style:

Shingle Style

Area of Significance:

Architecture

Period of Significance:

1900-1924

Owner:

State

Historic Function:

Religion

Historic Sub-function:

Religious Structure

**Current Function:** 

Religion

**Current Sub-function:** 

Religious Structure

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Fort Frederica National Monument (added 1966 - - #66000065)

12 mi. N of Brunswick, Brunswick

Historic Significance:

Event

Area of Significance:

Military, Social History

Period of Significance:

1750-1799, 1700-1749

Owner:

Federal

Historic Function:

Defense, Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Battle Site, Fortification, Village Site

Current Function:

Landscape

Current Sub-function:

Park

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Hamilton Plantation Slave Cabins (added 1988 - - #88000968)

Address Restricted, St. Simons Island

Historic Significance:

Information Potential, Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Couper, James Hamilton

Architectural Style:

No Style Listed

Area of Significance:

Historic - Non-Aboriginal, Architecture, Black

**Cultural Affiliation:** 

Black slave

Period of Significance:

1850-1874, 1825-1849

Owner:

Local, Private

Historic Function:

Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Multiple Dwelling

Current Function:

Socia

Current Sub-function:

Clubhouse



Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation (added 1976 - - #76000635)

Also known as Hofwyl Plantation

N of Brunswick on U.S. 17, Brunswick

Historic Significance:

Architecture/Engineering, Event

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Unknown

Architectural Style:

No Style Listed

Area of Significance:

Agriculture, Architecture, Social History

Period of Significance:

1900-1924, 1850-1874, 1800-1824

Owner:

State

Historic Function:

Agriculture/Subsistence, Domestic, Funerary

Historic Sub-function:

Agricultural Fields, Cemetery, Secondary Structure, Single Dwelling

**Current Function:** 

Landscape, Work In Progress

Current Sub-function:

Park

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Horton-duBignon House, Brewery Ruins, duBignon Cemetery (added 1971 -- #71000278)

Riverview Dr., Jekyll Island

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Horton, Maj. William

Architectural Style:

No Style Listed

Area of Significance:

Industry, Agriculture, Architecture, Military, Social History

Period of Significance:

1850-1874, 1750-1799, 1700-1749

Owner:

State

Historic Function:

Agriculture/Subsistence, Domestic, Funerary

Historic Sub-function:

Cemetery, Processing, Single Dwelling

**Current Function:** 

Landscape, Vacant/Not in Use

Current Sub-function:

Park

B

Jekyll Island Club (added 1972 - - #72000385)

Between Riverview Dr. and Old Village Blvd., Jekyll Island

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Multiple

Architectural Style:

Late Victorian

Area of Significance:

Architecture, Entertainment/Recreation, Social History

Period of Significance:

1900-1924, 1875-1899

Owner:

State

Historic Function:

Domestic,Social

Historic Sub-function:

Camp, Civic

Current Function:

Landscape, Recreation And Culture

Current Sub-function:

Museum, Park



King and Prince Hotel (added 2005 - - #04001465)

Also known as King and Prince Club, King and Prince Beach Club

201 Arnold Rd., St. Simons Island

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Davis, Felton, Miller, Laurance

Architectural Style:

Mission/Spanish Revival

Area of Significance:

Entertainment/Recreation, Architecture

Period of Significance:

1950-1974, 1925-1949

Owner:

Private

Historic Function:

Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Hotel

Current Function:

Domestic

Current Sub-function:

Hotel

B

Needwood Baptist Church and School (added 1998 - - #98001520) US 17, 1 mi. S of Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation State Historic Site., Brunswick

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architectural Style:

No Style Listed

Area of Significance:

Architecture, Education, Black, Religion

Period of Significance:

1925-1949, 1900-1924, 1875-1899

Owner:

Private

Historic Function:

Education, Religion

Historic Sub-function:

Religious Structure, School

Current Function:

Religion

Current Sub-function:

Religious Structure

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Rockefeller Cottage (added 1971 - - #71000279)

Also known as Rockefeller Museum Indian Mound, See Also: Jekyll Island Club

331 Riverview Dr., Jekyll Island

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Unknown

Architectural Style:

Other, Shingle Style

Area of Significance:

Architecture, Social History

Period of Significance:

1900-1924, 1875-1899

Owner:

State

**Historic Function:** 

Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Hotel

**Current Function:** 

Landscape, Recreation And Culture

**Current Sub-function:** 

Museum, Park



St. Simons Lighthouse and Lighthouse Keepers' Building (added 1972 - - #72000386)

600 Beachview Dr., St. Simons Island

Historic Significance:

Information Potential, Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

Cluskey, C.B., Poe, Bvt. Gen. O.M.

Architectural Style:

Other, Gothic

Area of Significance:

Historic - Non-Aboriginal, Transportation, Architecture

Cultural Affiliation:

19th C. coastal American

Period of Significance:

1850-1874

Owner:

Federal, Local

**Historic Function:** 

Domestic, Transportation

Historic Sub-function:

Multiple Dwelling, Water-Related

**Current Function:** 

Recreation And Culture

Current Sub-function:

Museum

1), Glynn County

Strachan House Garage (added 1997 - - #97000660)

414 1/2 Butler Ave., Glynn

Historic Significance:

Architecture/Engineering, Event, Person

Architectural Style:

Bungalow/Craftsman, Late 19th And Early 20th Century American Movements

Historic Person:

Strachan, Frank B.

Significant Year:

1925

Area of Significance:

Social History, Architecture, Transportation

Period of Significance:

1925-1949

Owner:

Private

Historic Function:

Domestic

Historic Sub-function:

Secondary Structure, Single Dwelling

**Current Function:** 

Domestic

Current Sub-function:

Single Dwelling

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US Coast Guard Station -- St. Simons Island (added 1998 - - #98000297)

4201 First St., St. Simons Island

Historic Significance:

Event, Architecture/Engineering

Architect, builder, or engineer:

U.S. Coast Guard, Civil Engineer's Office

Architectural Style:

Colonial Revival

Area of Significance:

Politics/Government, Maritime History, Architecture

Period of Significance:

1925-1949

Owner:

Private

Historic Function:

Transportation

Historic Sub-function:

Water-Related

**Current Function:** 

Education

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SAVANNAH DISTRICT 100 W. OGLETHORPE AVENUE SAVANNAH, GEORGIA 31401-3604

February 16, 2023

Regulatory Division SAS-1996-11740

Mr. Christopher Novack Georgia Ports Authority Post Office Box 2406 Savannah, Georgia 31402

Dear Mr. Novack:

I refer to the Pre-Construction Notification submitted on your behalf by Mr. Brandon Wall of Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc., requesting verification for use of Nationwide Permit (NWP) No. 58 to permanently impact 0.002 acre of salt marsh and 0.029 acre of freshwater ditch as well as temporarily impact 0.055 acre of salt marsh and 0.026 acre of freshwater ditch associated with the installation of an outfall pipe. The project site is located adjacent to Fancy Bluff Creek near the confluence of the South Brunswick River and the Turtle River in southern Glynn County (Latitude 31.12537, Longitude -81.54521). This project has been assigned number SAS-1996-11740 and it is important that you refer to this number in all communication concerning this matter.

The enclosed exhibit entitled, "Georgia Ports Authority, Colonels Island Terminal IAP Parcel Upgrades-Drainage Improvements", Drawings 1-2, dated November 3, 2022, identifies the delineation limits of all aquatic resources within the project area. The wetlands were delineated in accordance with criteria contained in the 1987 "Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual," as amended by the most recent regional supplements to the manual. Please note, this delineation may require re-verification and is subject to change based on site conditions at the time of re-evaluation.

The delineation included herein has been conducted to identify the location and extent of the aquatic resource boundaries and/or the jurisdictional status of aquatic resources for purposes of the Clean Water Act for the particular site identified in this request. This delineation and/or jurisdictional determination may not be valid for the Wetland Conservation Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended. If you or your tenant are U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) program participants, or anticipate participation in USDA programs, you should discuss the applicability of a certified wetland determination with the local USDA service center, prior to starting work.

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We have completed coordination with other federal and state agencies as described in Part C (32)(d) of our NWP Program, published in the January 13, 2021, Federal Register, Vol. 86, No. 8, Pages 2744-2877 (86 FR) and/or the December 27, 2021, Federal Register, Vol. 86, No. 245, Pages 73522-73583 (86 FR). The NWPs and Savannah District's Regional Conditions for NWPs can be found on our website at <a href="http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permitting/GeneralPermits/NationwidePermits.aspx">http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permitting/GeneralPermits/NationwidePermits.aspx</a>. During our coordination procedure, no adverse comments regarding the proposed work were received.

As a result of our evaluation of your project, we have determined that your proposed activity is authorized under NWP 58, as described in Part B of the NWP Program. However, at this time, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Resources Division (Georgia CRD), has denied Georgia Coastal Management Program (GCMP) certification, pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act, of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1455), as amended, for use of a NWP for your project.

This letter is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' provisional verification for your use of NWP 58, and does not authorize work in aquatic resources on the project site. Prior to beginning work in aquatic resources, you must obtain GCMP certification from the Georgia CRD for your project and submit a copy of this certification to this office.

Once you submit a copy of the GCMP Certification for your project to this office, you will have fulfilled this prerequisite for use of the NWP. You will not receive confirmation of receipt of the required certification from this office.

Please be advised that if you fail to obtain and submit the necessary GCMP Certification prior to beginning work, this action would be considered a willful and knowing violation of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and appropriate enforcement action will be taken.

Your use of this NWP is valid only if you comply with all of the following conditions:

- a. The activity is conducted in accordance with the information submitted and meets the conditions applicable to the NWP, as described at Part C of the NWP Program and the Savannah District's NWP Regional Conditions.
- b. You shall notify the Corps, in writing, at least 10 days in advance of commencement of work authorized by this permit.
- c. You fill out and sign the enclosed certification and return it to our office within 30 days of completion of the activity authorized by this permit.

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d. All work shall be completed in accordance with the enclosed plans, "Georgia Ports Authority, Colonels Island Terminal IAP Parcel Upgrades-Drainage Improvements", dated November 3, 2022; Drawings 1-2.

This proposal was reviewed in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. Based on the information we have available, we have determined that the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the wood stork (*Mycteria americana*) and Eastern indigo snake (*Dymarchon corais couperi*); and would have no effect on any other threatened or endangered species nor any critical habitat for such species. Authorization of an activity by a NWP does not authorize the "take" of threatened or endangered species. In the absence of separate authorization, both lethal and non-lethal "takes" of protected species are in violation of the Endangered Species Act. See Part (C) of 86 <u>FR</u> for more information.

This verification is valid until the NWP is modified, reissued or revoked. All of the existing NWPs are scheduled to expire on March 14, 2026. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant NWP is modified or revoked, you will have 12 months from the date of the modification or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of this NWP.

This authorization should not be construed to mean that any future projects requiring Department of the Army authorization would necessarily be authorized. Any new proposal, whether associated with this project or not, would be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Any prior approvals would not be a determining factor in making a decision on any future request.

Revisions to your proposal may invalidate this authorization. In the event changes to this project are contemplated, I recommend that you coordinate with us prior to proceeding with the work.

This communication does not relieve you of any obligation or responsibility for complying with the provisions of any other laws or regulations of other federal, state or local authorities. It does not affect your liability for any damages or claims that may arise as a result of the work. It does not convey any property rights, either in real estate or material, or any exclusive privileges. It also does not affect your liability for any interference with existing or proposed federal projects. If the information you have submitted and on which the Corps bases its determination/decision of authorization under the NWP is later found to be in error, this determination may be subject to modification, suspension, or revocation.

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An electronic copy of this letter is being provided to the following party: Mr. Brandon Wall of Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc.,

Thank you in advance for completing our on-line Customer Survey Form located at <a href="http://corpsmapu.usace.army.mil/cm\_apex/f?p=regulatory\_survey">http://corpsmapu.usace.army.mil/cm\_apex/f?p=regulatory\_survey</a>. We value your comments and appreciate your taking the time to complete a survey each time you have interaction with our office.

If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Sarah Wise, Lead Biologist, at 912-652-5550.

Sincerely,

William M. Rutlin Chief, Coastal Branch

**Enclosures** 

# Regulatory Division

Signature of Permittee

# CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NATIONWIDE PERMIT 58

PERMIT FILE NUMBER: SAS-1996-11740 PERMITTEE/ADDRESS: Mr. Christopher Novack, Georgia Ports Authority, Post Office Box 2406, Savannah, Georgia 31402 LOCATION OF WORK: The project site is located adjacent to Fancy Bluff Creek near the confluence of the South Brunswick River and the Turtle River in southern Glynn County (Latitude 31.12537, Longitude -81.54521). PROJECT DESCRIPTION: To install an outfall pipe. ACRES AND/OR LINEAR FEET OF WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES IMPACTED: permanently impact 0.002 acre of salt marsh and 0.029 acre of freshwater ditch as well as temporarily impact 0.055 acre of salt marsh and 0.026 acre of freshwater ditch. DATE WORK IN WATERS OF UNITED STATES COMPLETED:\_\_ COMPENSATORY MITIGATION REQUIRED: N/A DATE MITIGATION COMPLETED OR PURCHASED (include name of bank): I understand that the permitted activity is subject to a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Compliance Inspection. If I fail to comply with the permit conditions at Part C of the Nationwide Permit Program, published in the January 13, 2021, Federal Register, Vol. 86, No. 8, Pages 2744-2877 (86 FR) and/or the December 27, 2021, Federal Register, Vol. 86, No. 245, Pages 73522-73583 (86 FR), it may be subject to suspension, modification or revocation. I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit as well as any required mitigation (if applicable) has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said permit.

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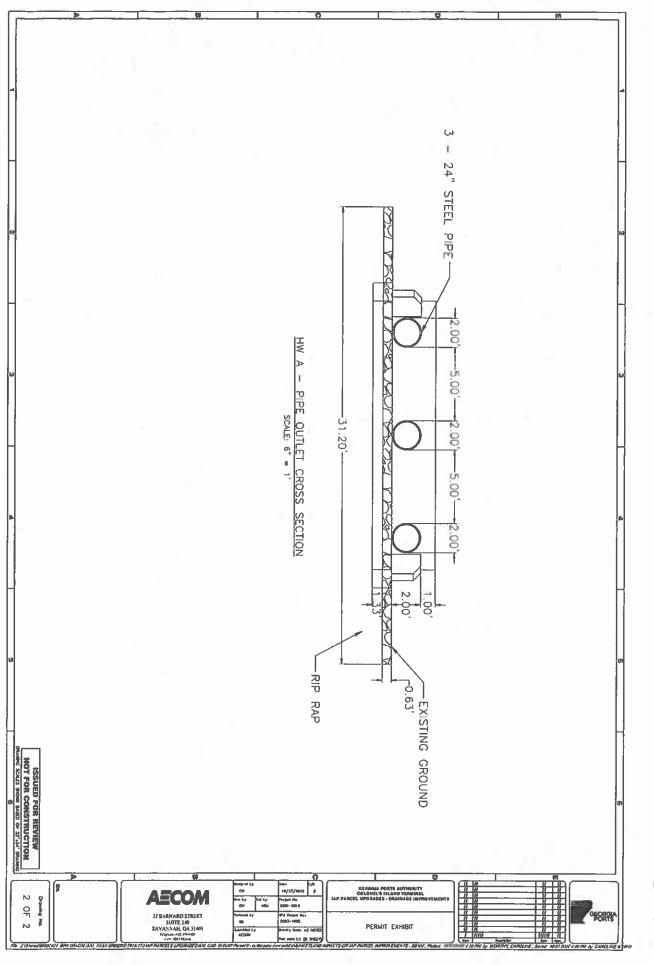
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