



#### **Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Form**

For Nationwide Permits and Regional General Permits (along with corresponding Water Quality Certifications)

June 1, 2021 Ver 4.1

Please note: fields marked with a red asterisk \* below are required. You will not be able to submit the form until all mandatory questions are answered.

Also, if at any point you wish to print a copy of the E-PCN, all you need to do is right-click on the document and you can print a copy of the form.

Below is a link to the online help file.

https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WaterResources/0/edoc/624704/PCN%20Help%20File%202018-1-30.pdf

#### A. Processing Information



County (or Counties) where the project is located: *						
Pitt						
Is this a NCDMS Project *  Yes No Click Yes, only if NCDMS is the applicant or co-applicant.						
Is this project a public transportation project? *  ■ Yes □ No  This is any publicly funded by municipal, state or federal funds road, rail, airport tran						
Is this a NCDOT Project?*  • Yes • No						
(NCDOT only) T.I.P. or state project number: B-4786						
WBS #* 38222.1.FR2 (for NCDOT use only)						
	<ul> <li>1a. Type(s) of approval sought from the Corps:*</li> <li>Section 404 Permit (wetlands, streams and waters, Clean Water Act)</li> <li>Section 10 Permit (navigable waters, tidal waters, Rivers and Harbors Act)</li> </ul>					
Has this PCN previously been submitted?*  ○ Yes  ○ No						
1b. What type(s) of permit(s) do you wish to seek authorization  ☐ Nationwide Permit (NWP)  ☑ Regional General Permit (RGP)  ☐ Standard (IP)	n?*					
1c. Has the NWP or GP number been verified by the Corps?*  Yes  No						
Regional General Permit (RGP) Number:	201902350 - Work associated with bridge construction, widening, replacement, and interchanges					
RGP Numbers (for multiple RGPS): List all RGP numbers you are applying for not on the drop down list.						
1d. Type(s) of approval sought from the DWR: * check all that apply						
<ul> <li>401 Water Quality Certification - Regular</li> <li>Non-404 Jurisdictional General Permit</li> <li>Individual 401 Water Quality Certification</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>401 Water Quality Certification - Express</li> <li>Riparian Buffer Authorization</li> </ul>					

agency" and in accordance with 40 C.F.R. Section 121.5(b)(7), and (c)(5) all certification requests shall include documentation that a pre-filing meeting request was submitted to the certifying authority at least 30 days prior to submitting the certification request. Click **here** to read more information on when this form is needed prior to application submission or **here** to view the form.

Is this a courtesy copy notification?*		
○ Yes ● No		
ID#	Version	
Pre-fling Meeting or Request Date 5/13/2021		
Attach documentation of Pre-Filing Meeting Request here:		
Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document		
File type must be PDF		
1e. Is this notification solely for the record because written approval is not required?		
	*	
For the record only for DWR 401 Certification:	○ Yes ® No	
For the record only for Corps Permit:	○ Yes   No	
1f. Is this an after-the-fact permit application?*		
○ Yes		
1g. Is payment into a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program proposed for mitigation of im-	pacts?	
If so, attach the acceptance letter from mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program.		
○ Yes		
Acceptance Letter Attachment		
Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document  FILE TYPE MUST BE PDF		
1h. Is the project located in any of NC's twenty coastal counties?*		
○ Yes		
1j. Is the project located in a designated trout watershed?*		
○ Yes ● No		
Link to trout information: http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Permit-Program/Ag	gency-Coordination/Trout.aspx	
B. Applicant Information		
1a. Who is the Primary Contact?*		
Deanna Riffey		
	1c. Primary Contact Phone: *	
1b. Primary Contact Email: *	(xxx)xxx-xxxx	
driffey@ncdot.gov	(919)707-6151	
1d. Who is applying for the permit?*		
✓ Owner (Check all that apply)	Applicant (other than owner)	
1e. Is there an Agent/Consultant for this project?*		
○ Yes ● No		
2. Owner Information		
0- N*		
2a. Name(s) on recorded deed: * Multiple properties		
2b. Deed book and page no.:		
On Control Property		
2c. Contact Person: (for Corporations)		
(ioi corporations)		
2d. Address*		
Street Address		
Street Address 1000 Birch Ridge Road	State / Province / Region	
Street Address 1000 Birch Ridge Road Address Line 2	State / Province / Region NC	
Street Address 1000 Birch Ridge Road Address Line 2 City		

2e. Telephone Number: \* (xxx)xxx-xxxx (919)707-6123 2f. Fax Number: (xxx)xxx-xxxx 2g. Email Address: \* pharris@ncdot.gov C. Project Information and Prior Project History 1. Project Information 1a. Name of project: \* Pitt County Bridge No. 38 on US 13 (Memorial Drive) over Tar River 1c. Nearest municipality / town: \* Greenville 2. Project Identification (^) 2a. Property Identification Number: 2b. Property size: (tax PIN or parcel ID) (in acres) 2c. Project Address Street Address Address Line 2 City State / Province / Region Postal / Zip Code Country 2d. Site coordinates in decimal degrees Please collect site coordinates in decimal degrees. Use between 4-6 digits (unless you are using a survey-grade GPS device) after the decimal place as appropriate, based on how the location was determined. (For example, most mobile phones with GPS provide locational precision in decimal degrees to map coordinates to 5 or 6 digits after the decimal place.) Latitude: \* Longitude: \* 35.618175 -77.390172 ex: 34.208504 3. Surface Waters 3a. Name of the nearest body of water to proposed project: \* 3b. Water Resources Classification of nearest receiving water: \* C; NSW Surface Water Lookup 3c. What river basin(s) is your project located in?\* Tar-Pamlico 3d. Please provide the 12-digit HUC in which the project is located.\* River Basin Lookup 4. Project Description and History 4a. Describe the existing conditions on the site and the general land use in the vicinity of the project at the time of this application: \* The project vicinity is developed primarily for residential purposes, while land use in the vicinity consists of residential and retail development and land cleared and maintained for air traffic at the Pitt-Greenville Airport (clearway).

4b. Have Corps permits or DWR certifications been obtained for this project (including all prior phases) in the past? \*

○ Yes 
 ○ No 
 ○ Unknown

4f. List the total estimated acreage of all existing wetlands on the property:

	4g. List the total estimated linear feet of all existing streams on the property:  (intermittent and perennial) 250						
4h. Explain the pu	rpose of the proposed pro	viect: *					
Bridge No. 38 (US		ear-old bridge with a deteri	orating concrete structure that can no	o longer be addressed by ma	intenance activitie	s. The purpose of the projec	t
The existing 541 fo	ot long, 33.5 foot wide, 12-s	pan structure will be replace	nd the type of equipment to be used on the existing alignment. The ne adbuilding equipment will be used. T	w bridge will be an 8-span, 5	-	nd a 41 foot wide. A	
5. Jurisdicti	onal Determinati	ions					
5a. Have the wetla	nds or streams been delin	eated on the property or	proposed impact areas?*				
Yes		O No		O U	nknown		
Comments:							
			ermination was made?*				
5c. If 5a is yes, wh	o delineated the jurisdiction	onal areas?					
Name (if known):		Sandy Smith and Scott D	Pavis				
Agency/Consultar	t Company:	Axiom					
Other:							
			rmination if a determination was n			cumentation was provided.	
6. Future Pro	ject Plans						
6a. Is this a phase	d project?*						
<ul><li>Yes</li></ul>		No					
			ts(s) used, or intended to be used, nent of the Army authorization but			ct or related activity? This	includes other
D. Propos	ed Impacts In	ventory					
1. Impacts Summary							
1a. Where are the	impacts associated with y	our project? (check all th	nat apply):				
Wetlands			eams-tributaries		uffers		
✓ Open Waters     ☐ Pond Construction							
2. Wetland Impacts							
If there are wetland impacts proposed on the site, then complete this question for each wetland area impacted.  "W." will be used in the table below to represent the word "wetland".							
2a. Site #* (?)	2a1 Reason* (?)	2b. Impact type * (?)	2c. Type of W.*	2d. W. name*	2e. Forested*	2f. Type of Jurisdicition*	2g. Impact
1	Access road	Т	Bottomland Hardwood Forest	WD	Yes	Both	0.100
							(acres)

2a. Site #* (?)	2a1 Reason * (?)	2b. Impact type * (?)	2c. Type of W.*	2d. W. name*	2e. Forested*	2f. Type of Jurisdicition *	2g. Impact area *
1	Access road	Т	Bottomland Hardwood Forest	WD	Yes	Both	0.100 (acres)
2	Access road	Т	Riverine Swamp Forest	WB & WC	Yes	Both	0.010 (acres)

#### 2g. Total Temporary Wetland Impact

0.110

#### 2g. Total Permanent Wetland Impact

0.000

#### 2g. Total Wetland Impact

0.110

#### 2i. Comments:

A temporary work bridge (conceptual footprint shown on sheet 4) is proposed for removal of the existing bridge and construction of the proposed bridge. The impacts shown due to temporary fill in wetlands are for the anticipated temporary fill to build access roads on each side of the river from ends of temporary work bridge out along embankments and then up 20' high embankments.

#### 4. Open Water Impacts

If there are proposed impacts to lakes, ponds, estuaries, tributaries, sounds, the Atlantic Ocean, or any other open water of the U.S. then individually list all open water impacts below.

4a. Site #* (?)	4a1. Impact Reason	4b. Impact type * (?)	4c. Name of waterbody (?)	4d. Activity type*	ioi itatoi boay typo	4f. Impact area *
1	Bridge bents	Р	Tar River	Fill	Other	0.01 (acres)
1	Bridge bents	Т	Tar River	Fill	Other	0.01 (acres)

4a	Total	tomporary	onen wa	tor	Impacte:

0.01

4g. Total permanent open water impacts:

0.01

4g. Total open water impacts:

0.02

4h. Comments:

#### 6. Buffer Impacts (for DWR)

6a Project is in which protect hasin(s)2\*

If project will impact a protected riparian buffer, then complete the chart below. Individually list all buffer impacts below.

ca. Froject is in which protect basin(s):	
Check all that apply.	
■ Neuse	✓ Tar-Pamlico
☐ Catawba	Randleman
Goose Creek	Jordan Lake
Other	

6b. Impact Type * (?)	6c. Per or Temp*(?)	6d. Stream name *	6e. Buffer mitigation required?*	6f. Zone 1 impact*	6g. Zone 2 impact*
Roadway/bridge	Р	Tar River	No	6,279	3,317
				(square feet)	(square feet)

#### 6h. Total buffer impacts:

	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total Temporary impacts:	0.00	0.00
	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total Permanent impacts:	6,279.00	3,317.00
	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total combined buffer impacts:	6.279.00	3.317.00

### **E. Impact Justification and Mitigation**

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#### 1. Avoidance and Minimization

6i. Comments:

1a. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts in designing the project: \*

The bridge will be replaced along its existing alignment, and traffic detoured onto the southbound bridge. 2.5:1 is the steepest allowable traditional grass lined fill slope for this project. Rock Plating is being used in this area to allow for a steeper than 2.5:1 slope as this is necessary to avoid filling in a portion of the greenway.

Design Standards in Sensitive Watersheds will be adhered to.	
2. Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State	
2a. Does the project require Compensatory Mitigation for impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State?  • Yes  • No	
2b. If this project DOES NOT require Compensatory Mitigation, explain why:  All wetland impacts are temporary, and buffer impacts are allowable.	
NC Stream Temperature Classification Maps can be found under the Mitigation Concepts tab on the Wilmington District's RIBITS web	site.
F. Stormwater Management and Diffuse Flow Plan (required by DWF	<b>(S)</b>
*** Recent changes to the stormwater rules have required updates to this so	ection .***
1. Diffuse Flow Plan	
1a. Does the project include or is it adjacent to protected riparian buffers identified within one of the NC Riparian Buffer Prote   No	ction Rules?
1b. All buffer impacts and high ground impacts require diffuse flow or other form of stormwater treatment. If the project is su include a plan that fully documents how diffuse flow will be maintained.	bject to a state implemented riparian buffer protection program,
All Stormwater Control Measures (SCM)s must be designed in accordance with the NC Stormwater Design Manual. Associate provided.	ed supplement forms and other documentation shall be
What type of SCM are you providing?  Level Spreader  Vegetated Conveyance (lower SHWT)  Wetland Swale (higher SHWT)  Other SCM that removes minimum 30% nitrogen  Proposed project will not create concentrated stormwater flow through the buffer (check all that apply)  For a list of options to meet the diffuse flow requirements, click here.	
2. Stormwater Management Plan	
2a. Is this a NCDOT project subject to compliance with NCDOT's Individual NPDES permit NCS000250?*	
G. Supplementary Information	<ul><li>•</li></ul>
1. Environmental Documentation	
1a. Does the project involve an expenditure of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use of public (federal/state) land?*   No	
1b. If you answered "yes" to the above, does the project require preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the re Environmental Policy Act (NEPA/SEPA)? *   No	equirements of the National or State (North Carolina)
1c. If you answered "yes" to the above, has the document review been finalized by the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a converse of the so, attach a converse of the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a converse of the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a converse of the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a converse of the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a converse of the State	copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter.)*
Comments: *  Type II Categorical Exclusions do not require submission to the Clearing House.	
2. Violations (DWR Requirement)	
2a. Is the site in violation of DWR Water Quality Certification Rules (15A NCAC 2H .0500), Isolated Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2 Riparian Buffer Rules (15A NCAC 2B .0200)? *	2H .1300), or DWR Surface Water or Wetland Standards or
○ Yes	
3. Cumulative Impacts (DWR Requirement)	
3a. Will this project (based on past and reasonably anticipated future impacts) result in additional development, which could a Yes   No	impact nearby downstream water quality? *

26	If you answered	fine " pre	vido o obort	norretive	deceriation

Due to the existing bridge being replaced, this project will neither influence nearby land uses nor stimulate growth.

## 4. Sewage Disposal (DWR Requirement)

4a. Is sewage disposal required by DWR for t  ○ Yes   ○ No  ○ N/A	his project?*	
5. Endangered Species and I	Designated Critical Habitat (	Corps Requirement)
5a. Will this project occur in or near an area v  o Yes	with federally protected species or habitat?  No	*
5b. Have you checked with the USFWS conce • Yes	erning Endangered Species Act impacts?*  No	
<b>5c. If yes, indicate the USFWS Field Office yo</b> Raleigh	u have contacted.	
5d. Is another Federal agency involved?*   Yes	⊚ No	Unknown
What Federal Agency is involved? NMFS		
5e. Is this a DOT project located within Divisi  ● Yes ○ No	on's 1-8?*	
USFWS IPaC, coordination with USFWS and NI Carolina madtom, Atlantic pigtoe, green floater,	MFS. The NLEB PBO will be utilized as will the and Neuse River waterdog. Concurrence was an Manatee will be adhered to. Other species	PECO/PBO for the Tar River spinymussel, yellow lance, received from the NMFS for the Atlantic sturgeon. received biological conclusions of No Effect due to no
6. Essential Fish Habitat (Co	rps Requirement)	
6a. Will this project occur in or near an area of Yes	designated as an Essential Fish Habitat?*   No	
<b>6b. What data sources did you use to determ</b> Coordination with NMFS during NRTR research,		ential Fish Habitat?*
7. Historic or Prehistoric Cul	tural Resources (Corps Req	uirement)
Link to the State Historic Preservation Office His	toric Properties Map (does not include archaed	ological data: http://gis.ncdcr.gov/hpoweb/
7a. Will this project occur in or near an area t designation or properties significant in North		have designated as having historic or cultural preservation status (e.g., National Historic Trus
<ul><li>Yes</li><li>7b. What data sources did you use to determ Programmatic CE documentation</li></ul>	No ine whether your site would impact historic	or archeological resources?*
8. Flood Zone Designation (C	Corps Requirement)	
Link to the FEMA Floodplain Maps: https://ms	sc.fema.gov/portal/search	
8a. Will this project occur in a FEMA-designa  • Yes	tted 100-year floodplain?*  ○ No	
8b. If yes, explain how project meets FEMA re Hydraulics Unit coordination with FEMA	equirements:	
8c. What source(s) did you use to make the freMA mapping	oodplain determination?*	

Comments

**Miscellaneous** 

Please use the space below to attach all required documentation or any additional information you feel is helpful for application review. Documents should be combined into one file when possible, with a Cover Letter, Table of Contents, and a Cover Sheet for each Section preferred.

Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document

B-4786 General Pitt December 21 2021.pdf

File must be PDF or KMZ

6.25MB

## **Signature**



#### By checking the box and signing below, I certify that:

- The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief'; and
- The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time.
- I have given true, accurate, and complete information on this form;
- I agree that submission of this PCN form is a "transaction" subject to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I agree to conduct this transaction by electronic means pursuant to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I understand that an electronic signature has the same legal effect and can be enforced in the same way as a written signature; AND
- I intend to electronically sign and submit the PCN form.

#### Full Name: \*

Mack Christopher Rivenbark, III

#### Signature \*

Hack C. Riverbank, III

#### Date

12/21/2021



#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

Southeast Regional Office 263 13th Avenue South St. Petersburg, Florida 33701-5505 https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/southeast

09/30/2019

F/SER31:KBD SERO-2019-01281

Philip S. Harris III, P.E., CPM, Unit Head North Carolina Department of Transportation Environmental Analysis Unit 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699

Dear Mr. Harris:

This letter responds to your request for consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) for the following action.

SERO Number	Project Type
SERO-2019-01281	NCDOT Bridge replacement (TIP No. B-4786)

#### **Consultation History**

We received your letter requesting consultation on May 22, 2019, and initiated consultation that day. We had further correspondence on additional details of the project on August 20-21, 2019. The project has been assigned a tracking number in our new NMFS Environmental Consultation Organizer (ECO), SERO-2019-01281. Please refer to this number in any future inquiries regarding this project.

### **Project Location**

Address	Latitude/Longitude	Water body
Greenville, Pitt County,	35.618239°N, 77.390028°W	Tar River
North Carolina	(North American Datum 1983)	





Image of the project location and surrounding area (©2019 Google)

#### Existing Site Conditions

The project site is located on northbound US 13 over Tar River, in Greenville, Pitt County, North Carolina. The existing bridge, Number 38, was built in 1955 and is 540 feet (ft) long with 12 spans and 7 bents in the water. The river is 330 ft wide at the project site. The river is non-tidal, and benthic conditions are described as silty sands, and fine to coarse sands with small traces of gravel. The project site is located in freshwater (above the saltwater wedge) approximately 57 miles from its confluence with Pamlico Sound. Water depth in the project area ranges from 3 to 10 ft deep. The project location is located in Atlantic sturgeon critical habitat Carolina Unit 2.

## **Project Description**

The applicant proposes to replace the existing 12-span bridge with a new 8-span bridge; a 550-ft superstructure, with 5 bents within the open waters of the river. The bridge bents will be constructed of drilled shafts, which are also known as cast-in-place piles. A temporary work bridge will be required during construction and will most likely be constructed of 30-inch diameter pipe piles. The actual number and size of the piles has not been determined by the contractor yet, but will most likely be installed by vibratory hammer. There will be 0.0058 acres of permanent streambed impact due to the drilled shafts. The clearance above normal water elevation is 30 ft. All bents and piles of the existing bridge and temporary work bridge will be removed, upon project completion. The bents and piles from the existing bridge and temporary work bridge will either be removed by extracting them or cutting them below grade.

#### Construction Conditions

An in-water moratorium is in effect between February 15 and September 30 to prevent the disruption of Atlantic sturgeon spawning runs/migration activities. No equipment or

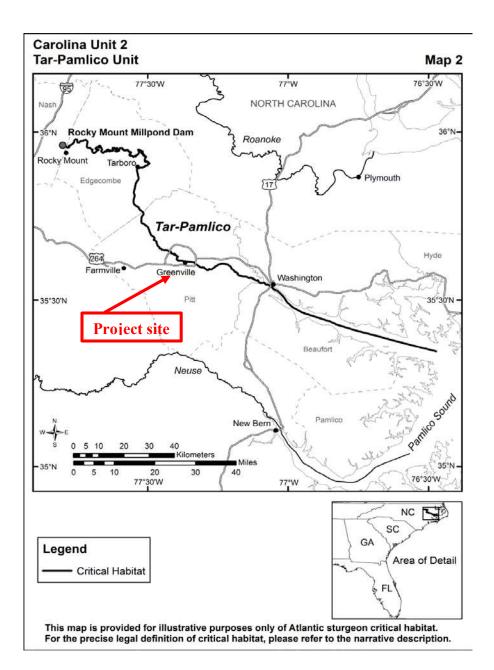
construction materials of any type shall be allowed to be placed or fall into the river during this time period. During the work period, construction may be done from temporary work bridges, as long as these features were installed outside of the restricted season.

The contractor will comply with North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Bridge Demolition and Removal. Additionally, NCDOT will follow all stream crossing guidelines for anadromous fish passage, as well as implement NCDOT Design Standards in Sensitive Watersheds. Debris will be disposed of in accordance with Section 802 of the 2012 Standard Specifications. Compliance includes:

- Existing bridge piles in the navigation channel will be removed completely, unless not practicable, and piles located in wetland areas will be cut off below the mudline to minimize overall disturbance.
- The use of turbidity curtains will be evaluated for areas with sufficient depth, but lower velocity. Turbidity will be monitored during in-water work to ensure compliance with state water quality standards.
- Non-shattering methods will be implemented (no explosives) for bridge removal. No bridge deck or substructure components will be dropped in the water.
- Loose debris and road surface materials will be removed prior to demolition to minimize the potential for turbidity and contaminant discharge.

Effects Determination for Species the Action Agency or NMFS Believes May Be Affected by the Proposed Action

Species	ESA Listing Status	Action Agency Effect Determination	NMFS Effect Determination				
Fish							
Atlantic sturgeon (Carolina DPS) E NLAA NLAA							
E = endangered; NLAA = may affect, not likely to adversely affect							



The project is located in Atlantic sturgeon critical habitat Carolina Unit 2, Tar-Pamlico Unit. The physical and biological features (PBFs) of the critical habitat are described in the table below. We believe the proposed action may affect the PBFs: hard substrate, unobstructed water of appropriate depth, and water quality. Since the project is located in freshwater, PBF 2 will not occur in the action area.

Atlantic Sturgeon Critical Habitat PBFs and their Purpose/Function								
	PBF	Purpose/Function of PBF						
Hard Substrate (PBF 1)	Hard bottom substrate (e.g., rock, cobble, gravel, limestone, boulder, etc.) in low salinity waters (i.e., 0.0-0.5 parts per trillion [ppt] range)	Necessary for settlement of fertilized eggs, refuge, growth, and development of early life stages						
Salinity Gradient and Soft Substrate (PBF 2)	Aquatic habitat with a gradual downstream salinity gradient of 0.5 ppt up to as high as 30 ppt and soft substrate (e.g., sand, mud) between the river mouth and spawning sites	Necessary for juvenile foraging and physiological development						
Unobstructed Water of Appropriate Depth (PBF 3)	Water of appropriate depth and absent physical barriers to passage (e.g., locks, dams, thermal plumes, turbidity, sound, reservoirs, gear, etc.) between the river mouth and spawning sites	<ul> <li>Necessary to support:</li> <li>Unimpeded movement of adults to and from spawning sites</li> <li>Seasonal and physiologically dependent movement of juvenile Atlantic sturgeon to appropriate salinity zones within the river estuary</li> <li>Staging, resting, or holding of subadults or spawning condition adults. Water depths in main river channels must also be deep enough (at least 1.2 meter) to ensure continuous flow in the main channel at all times when any sturgeon life stage would be in the river</li> </ul>						
Water Quality (PBF 4)	Water quality conditions, especially in the bottom meter of the water column, with the appropriate combination of temperature and oxygen values	<ul> <li>Spawning</li> <li>Annual and inter-annual adult, subadult, larval, and juvenile survival</li> <li>Larval, juvenile, and subadult growth, development, and recruitment.  Appropriate temperature and oxygen values will vary interdependently, and depending on salinity in a particular habitat.</li> <li>For example, 6.0 milligrams per liter (mg/L) DO or greater likely supports juvenile rearing habitat, whereas DO less than 5.0 mg/L for longer than 30 days is less likely to support rearing when water temperature is greater than 25 °C. In temperatures greater than 26 °C, DO greater than 4.3 mg/L is needed to protect</li> </ul>						

Atlantic Sturgeon Critical Habitat PBFs and their Purpose/Function							
PBF	Purpose/Function of PBF						
	survival and growth. Temperatures of 13 to 26 °C likely support spawning habitat.						

#### **Analysis of Potential Routes of Effects to Species**

During in-water construction, Atlantic sturgeon may be physically injured if struck by construction equipment or materials during installation of the temporary work bridges or the cast-in-place piles. However, by restricting in-water work outside of the in-water work moratorium of February 15-September 30, we believe the likelihood of sturgeon presence in this portion of the river coinciding with in-water construction is not expected and therefore we do not expect effects to sturgeon during in-water construction.

Atlantic sturgeon could be affected by the placement of temporary in-water structures (e.g., temporary work bridges) in areas that may serve as migration, foraging or refuge habitat. However, these structures will be installed outside of the work moratorium and after they are constructed they will not block upstream access, and will be removed after bridge construction is completed. Therefore, we believe the effect to Atlantic sturgeon from the placement of temporary in-water structures will be insignificant. Atlantic sturgeon are opportunistic feeders that forage over large areas and the area of temporary impact is relatively small (0.0058 acres) compared to the surrounding area available. Further, once the temporary structures are removed, sturgeon can use the area for foraging and refuge again.

#### **Analysis of Potential Routes of Effect to Critical Habitat**

Hard substrate (PBF 1) necessary for the settlement of fertilized eggs and refuge, growth, and development of early life stages may be affected by the installation of piles. The river contains pebble (gravel-size rock) that may serve as a critical function for egg, larvae, and adult sturgeon growth and spawning. However, we believe this effect to PBF 1 will be insignificant. The temporary work bridge piles and permanent new bridge piles will only affect small portions of the main channel. The new bridge will be of similar size and location as the existing bridge, and also have less bents therefore allowing for more available substrate. The available substrate surrounding the permanent and temporary work bridges will continue to support these early life stages, and once the temporary work bridges are removed, these areas of hard substrate will become accessible again.

Unobstructed water of appropriate depth (PBF 3) that supports staging, resting, holding, or movement of various life stages of Atlantic sturgeon may be affected by the installation of piles and temporary work structures. We believe the obstructions created by the installation of piles will have an insignificant effect on PBF 3 because the temporary work bridges and permanent bridge piles will only affect small portions of the main channel. The temporary work bridges will be removed at the end of the project's construction. While the placement of the work bridges will have a temporary effect on water depth (deeper upstream, shallower downstream), these effects will be localized, and will not affect the overall depth of the river in this area since sufficient passage will be maintained within a portion of the river at all times during construction. In addition, sedimentation effects are not anticipated to reach a level that would create a depth barrier, and the implementation of the construction moratorium will ensure there is no noise barrier to migrating individuals in the event they are present in the river.

Water quality (PBF 4) supporting important life functions, such as growth and reproduction, of various life stages of Atlantic sturgeon may be affected by temporary and highly localized turbidity and associated effects on suitable water temperature and oxygen values caused during installation of piles and temporary work bridges. Turbidity curtains will be used to contain turbidity; therefore, we believe the effects to PBF 4 from any small amount of turbidity that may escape will be insignificant. We also expect construction-induced turbidity to be temporary and settle out within a period of time. Additionally, no in-water work will occur between February 15 and September 30 to prevent sturgeon from being exposed to elevated turbidity levels during times of the year when they might be present in the project area.

#### Conclusion

Because all potential project effects to listed species and critical habitat were found to be discountable, insignificant, or beneficial, we conclude that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect listed species and critical habitat under NMFS's purview. This concludes your consultation responsibilities under the ESA for species under NMFS's purview. Consultation must be reinitiated if a take occurs or new information reveals effects of the action not previously considered, or if the identified action is subsequently modified in a manner that causes an effect to the listed species or critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not previously considered, or if a new species is listed or critical habitat designated that may be affected by the identified action. NMFS's findings on the project's potential effects are based on the project description in this response. Any changes to the proposed action may negate the findings of this consultation and may require reinitiation of consultation with NMFS.

We look forward to further cooperation with you on other projects to ensure the conservation of our threatened and endangered marine species and designated critical habitat. If you have any questions on this consultation please contact Kay Davy, Consultation Biologist, at (727) 415-9271, or by email at Kay.Davy@noaa.gov.

Sincerely,

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for David Bernhart
Assistant Regional Administrator
for Protected Resources

File: 1514-22.L.1



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Mr. Phillip Harris, P.E. North Carolina Department of Transportation Environmental Analysis Unit Head 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27610

Dear Mr. Harris:

Coast Guard review of your proposed project as provided in an email dated Nov 29, 2018, from Mr. Greg Purvis with Wetherill Engineering, on behalf of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, is complete.

Based on the documentation provided and our research, it is determined that a Coast Guard bridge permit will not be required for the proposed highway fixed bridge, US 13/Memorial Drive over Tar River, in Pitt County, NC. (35.618239, -77.390028)

The project will be placed in our Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1982 exemption category for the location and structure described above and **is valid for five years from the date of this letter**. The Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1982 exempts bridge projects from Coast Guard Bridge permits when the bridge project crosses non-tidal waters which are not used, susceptible to use in their natural condition, or susceptible to use by reasonable improvement as a means to transport interstate commerce. The following conditions apply to this determination:

- a. If the construction project on the above bridge does not commence within this time, you must contact this office for reaffirmation of this determination.
- b. Future bridge projects along the above waterway will have to be independently evaluated before they may be considered for placement in the Advance Approval category. This includes modification, replacement and removal of the above bridge, following its initial construction.

In addition, the requirement to display navigational lighting at the aforementioned bridge is hereby waived, as per Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 118.40(b). This waiver may be rescinded at any time in the future should nighttime navigation through the proposed bridge be increased to a level determined by the District Commander to warrant lighting.

The fact that a Coast Guard bridge permit is not required does not relieve you of the responsibility for compliance with the requirements of any other Federal, State, or local agency who may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the project.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ms. Kashanda Booker at the above listed address or telephone number.

Sincerely,

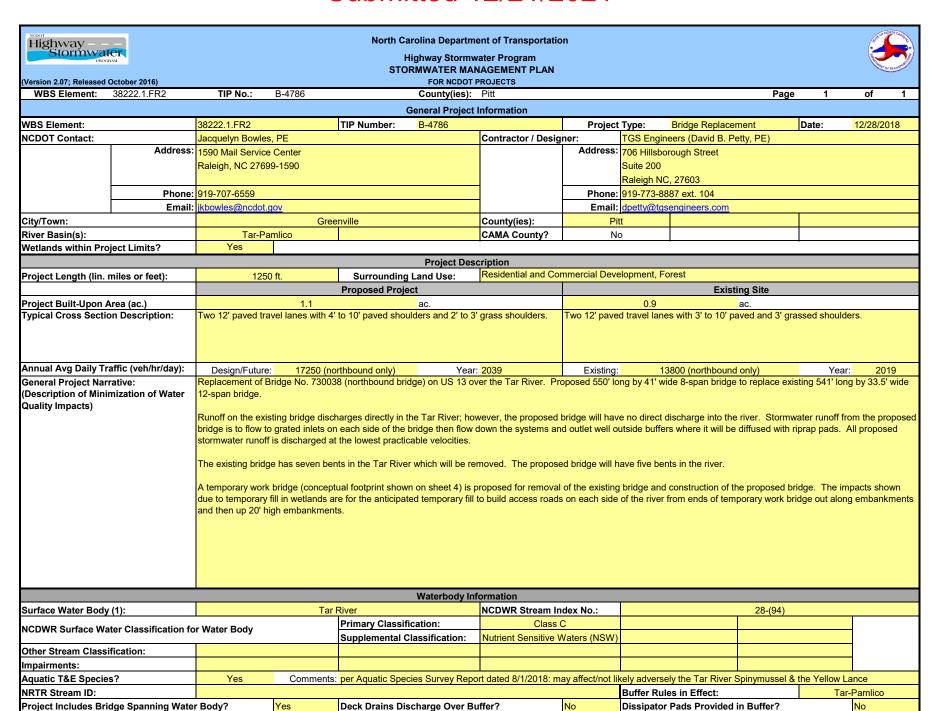
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Bridge Program Manager

By direction

Copy: CG Sector North Carolina, Waterways Management U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Carolina District

Federal Highways Administration, North Carolina Division



(If yes, provide justification in the General Project Narrative)

(If yes, describe in the General Project Narrative; if no, justify in the

General Project Narrative)

No

Deck Drains Discharge Over Water Body?

(If yes, provide justification in the General Project Narrative)

See Sheet 1A For Index of Sheets
See Sheet 1B For Conventional Plan Sheet Symbols
See Sheet 1C-1 Through 1C-? For Survey Control Sheets

DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

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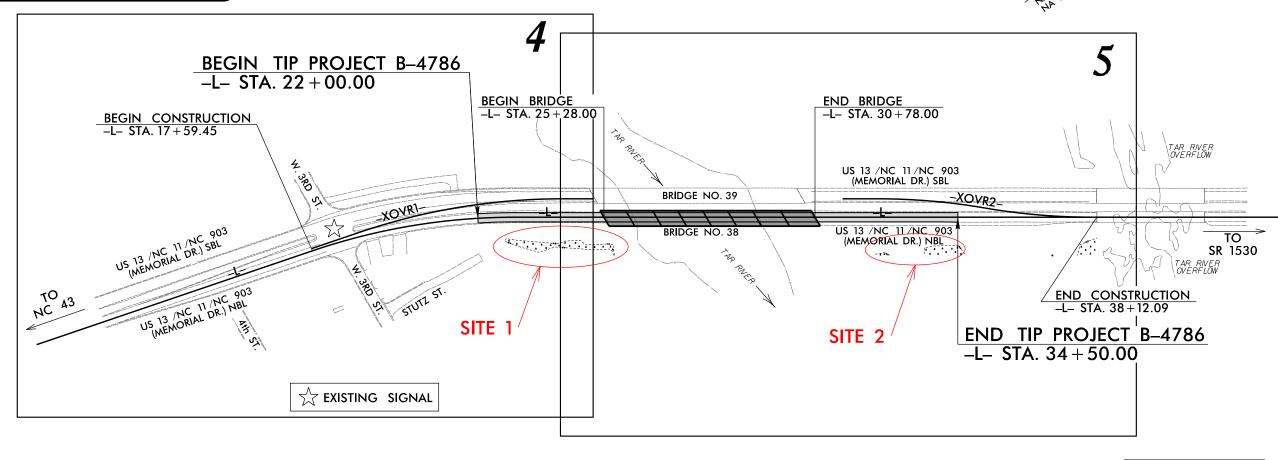
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SHEET TOTAL SHEETS

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TYPE OF WORK: GRADING, DRAINAGE, PAVING, AND STRUCTURE

WETLAND AND SURFACE WATER IMPACTS PERMIT



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**GRAPHIC SCALES** 

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## DESIGN DATA

Tar River

Greenville, NC

VICINITY MAP

ADT 2019 = 13800 NBL 14740 SBL ADT 2039 = 17250 NBL K = 8 % D = 55 %

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TOTAL LENGTH TIP PROJECT B-4786 = 0.237 mile

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2018 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

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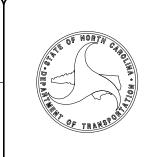
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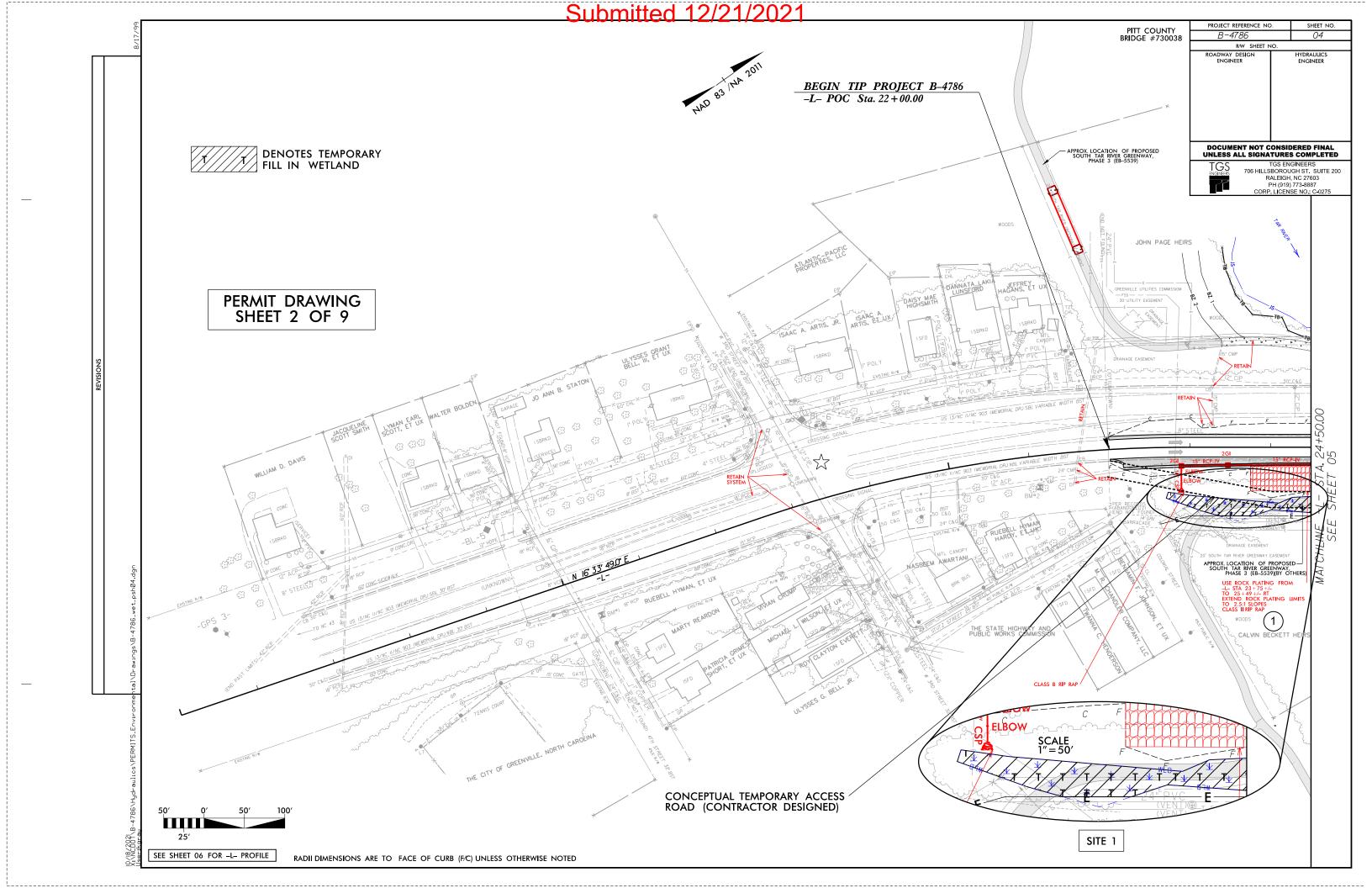
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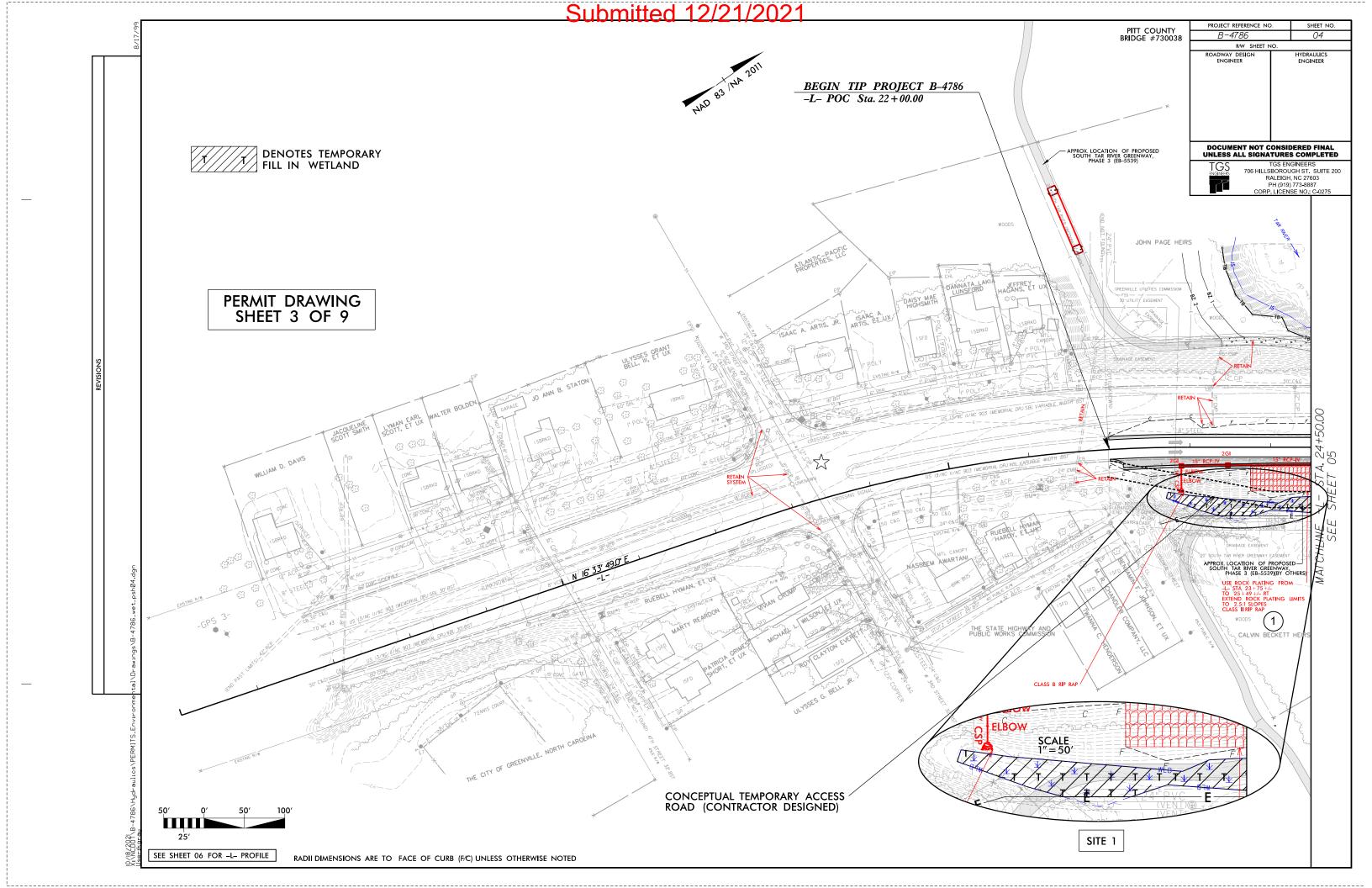
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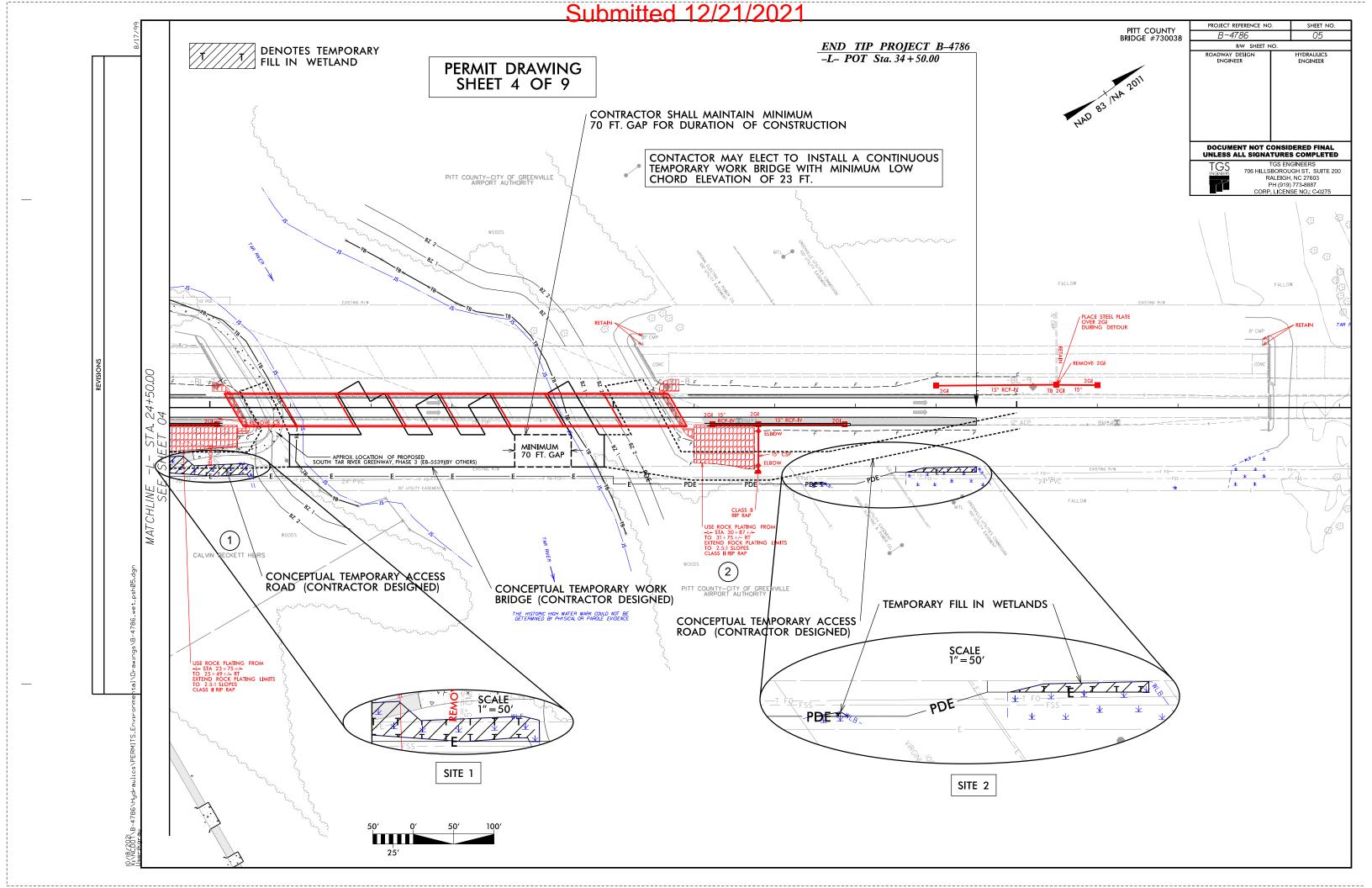
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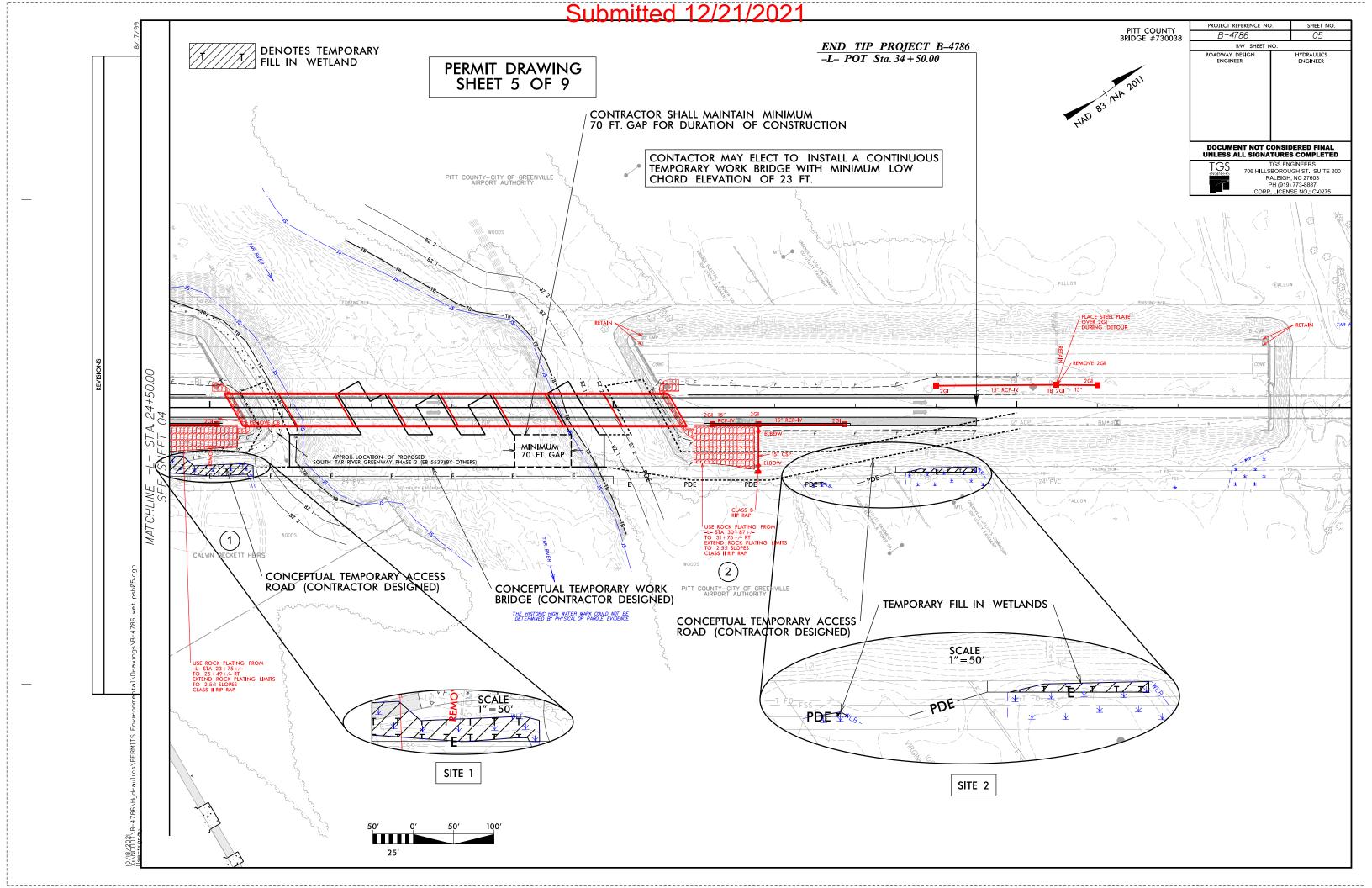
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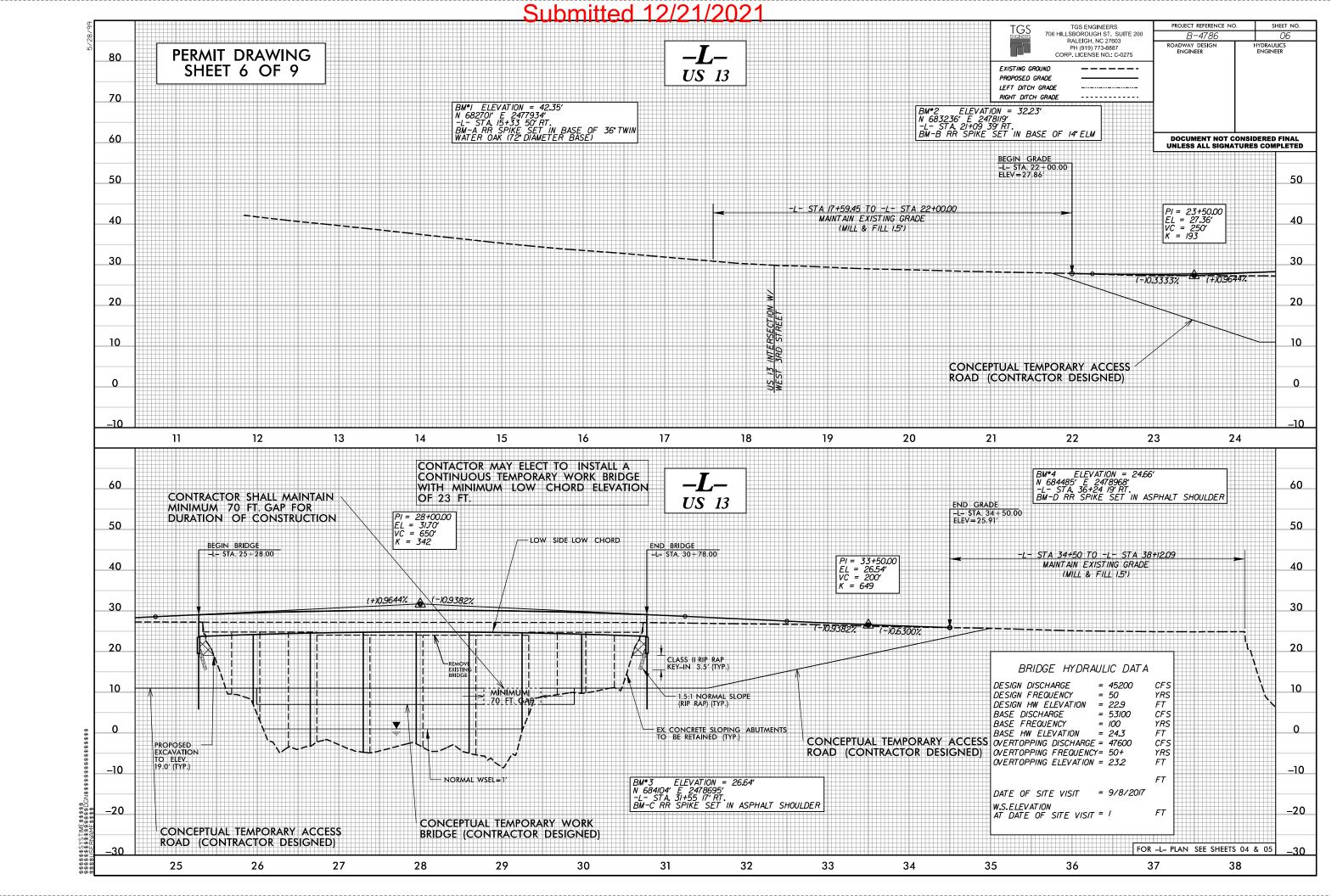


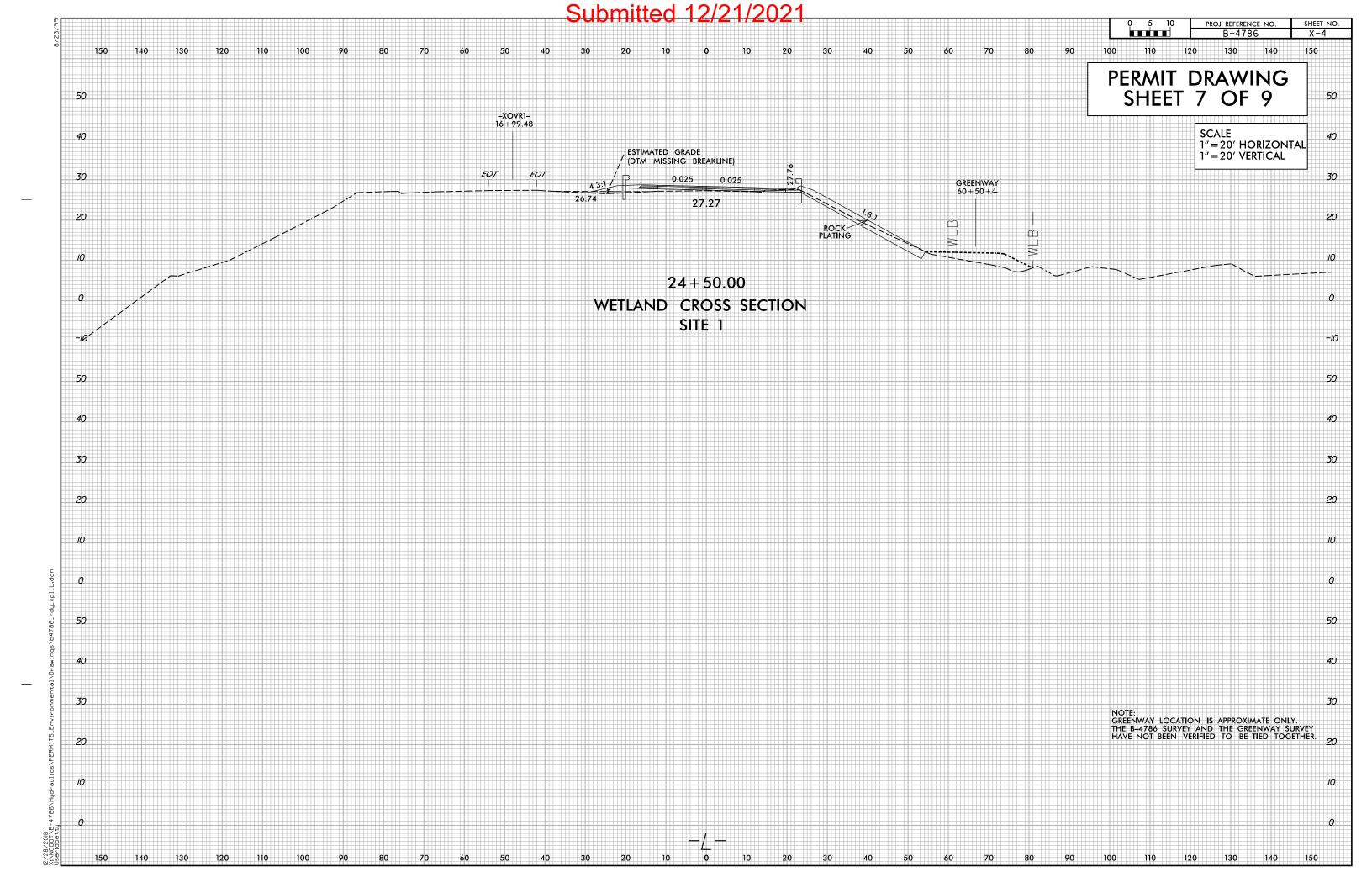


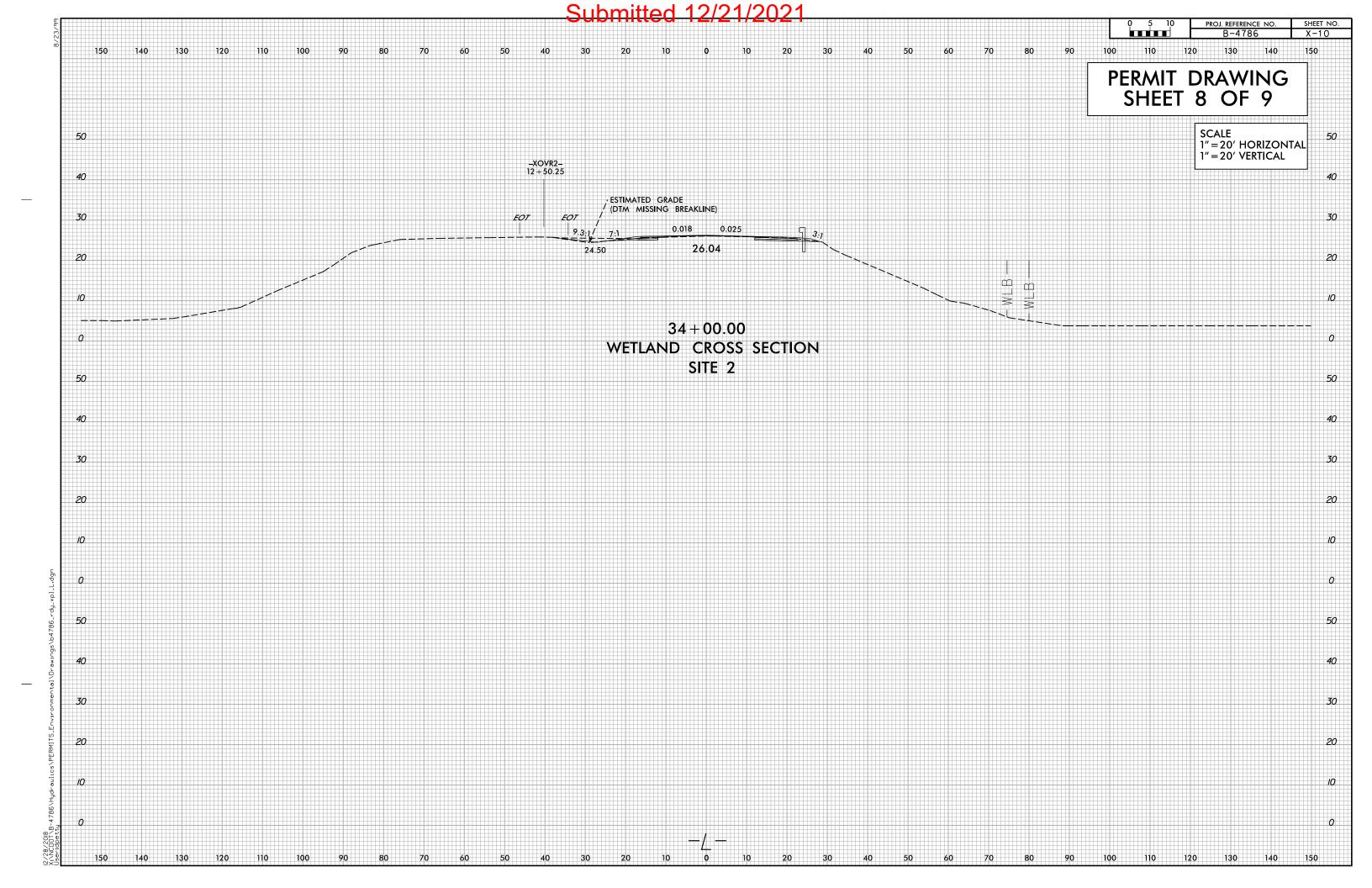












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			WETLAND IMPACTS						SURFA	CE WATER IM	IPACTS	
Site No.	Station (From/To)	Structure Size / Type	Permanent Fill In Wetlands (ac)	Temp. Fill In Wetlands (ac)	Excavation in Wetlands (ac)	Mechanized Clearing in Wetlands (ac)	Hand Clearing in Wetlands (ac)	Permanent SW impacts (ac)	Temp. SW impacts (ac)	Existing Channel Impacts Permanent (ft)	Existing Channel Impacts Temp. (ft)	Natural Stream Design (ft)
1	-L- 22+70 RT / 25+54 RT	Temporary Access Road		0.10								
2	-L- 32+43 RT / 34+50 RT	Temporary Access Road		0.01								
TOTALS*				0.11						0	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded totals are sum of actual impacts

### NOTES:

<0.01 acres of Permanent SW impacts for bridge interior bents (drilled shafts) at -L- 26+65, 27+30, 27+95, 28+60 & 29+25.

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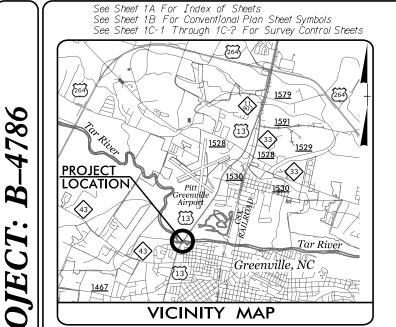
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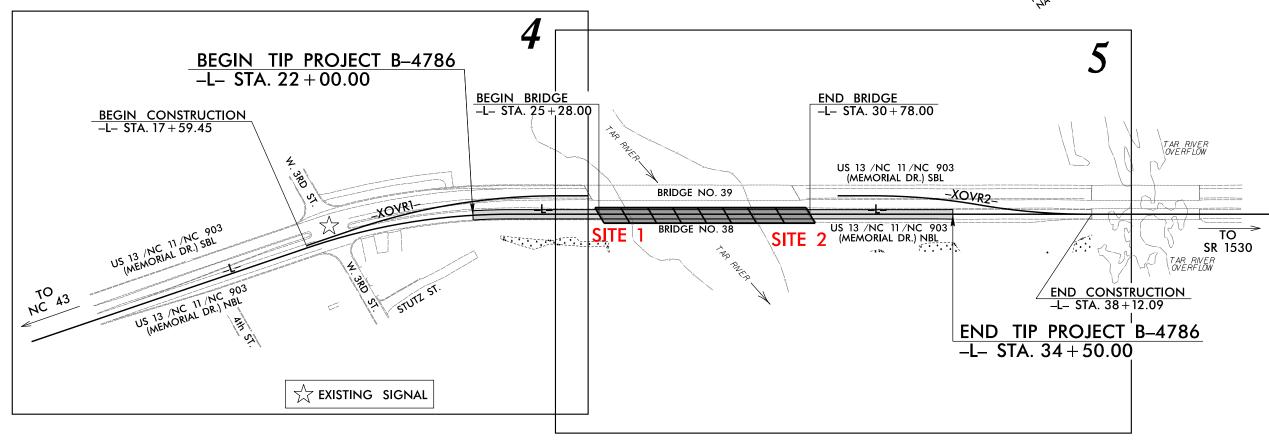
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## **BUFFER IMPACTS PERMIT**

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BUFFER DRAWING SHEET 1 OF 3





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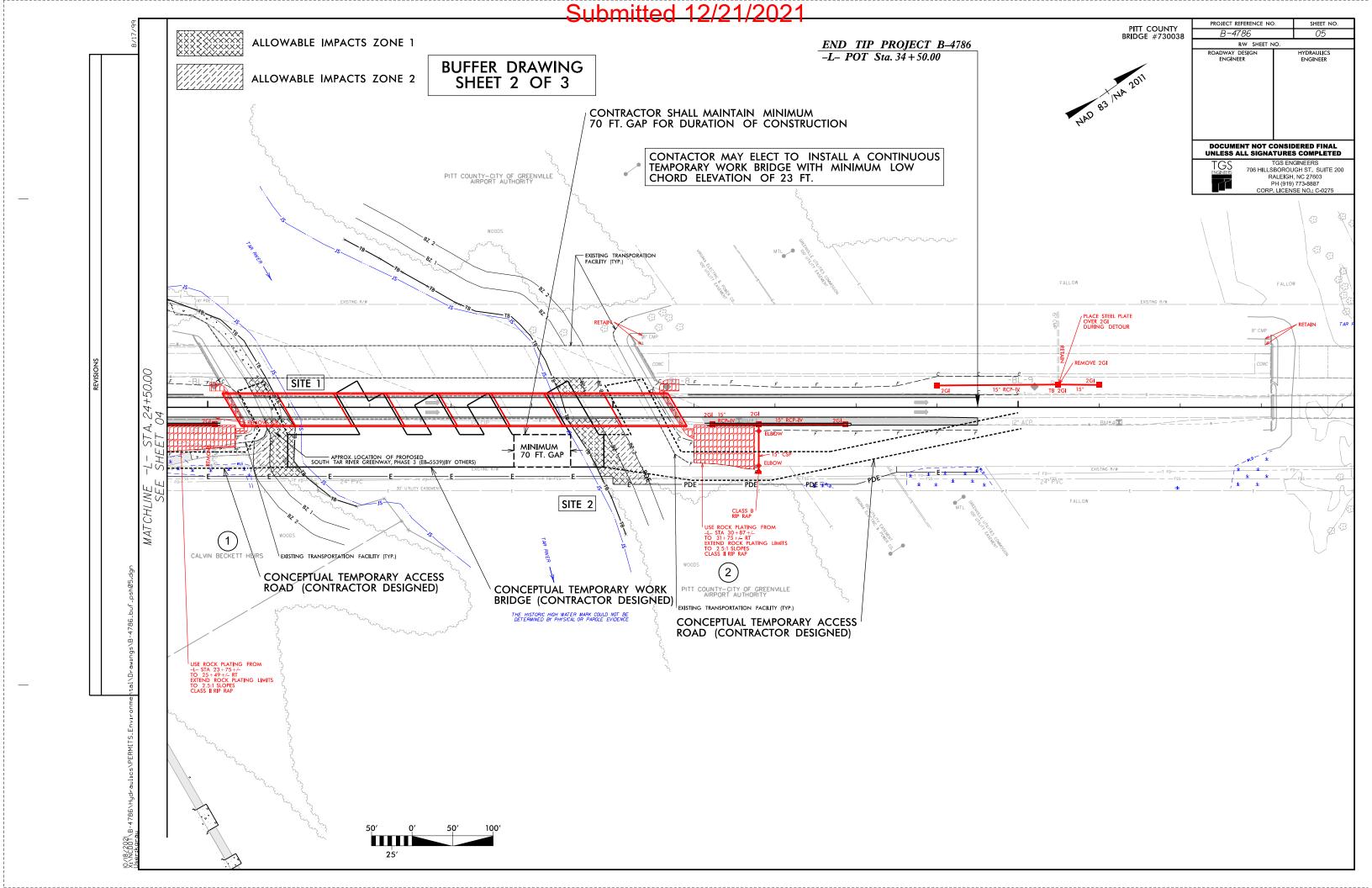
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ENGINEER

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RIPARIAN BUFFER IMPACTS SUMMARY													
			IMPACT								BUFFER		
			TYPE		TYPE AL		LOWABLE		MITIGABLE			REPLACEMENT	
SITE NO.	STRUCTURE SIZE / ITE NO. TYPE STATION	STATION (FROM/TO)	ROAD CROSSING	BRIDGE	PARALLEL IMPACT	ZONE 1 (ft <sup>2</sup> )	ZONE 2 (ft <sup>2</sup> )	TOTAL (ft²)	ZONE 1 (ft <sup>2</sup> )	ZONE 2 (ft <sup>2</sup> )	TOTAL (ft²)	ZONE 1 (ft <sup>2</sup> )	ZONE 2 (ft <sup>2</sup> )
1	Roadway	-L- 25+45/26+21		Х		2,872	996	3,868					
2	Roadway	-L- 29+25/30+46		Х		3,407	2,321	5,728					
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TOTAL:						6,279	3,317	9,596	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

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There are no wetland impacts within buffer impacts on this project.

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