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December 19, 2005

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Regulatory Field Office  
Post Office Box 1000  
Washington, NC 27889-1000

Attention: Mr. William J. Biddlecome  
NCDOT Coordinator

Dear Sir:

Subject: **Request for Nationwide 12 Permit** for the Replacement of Bridge No. 11 on SR 1219 (Francis Mill Road) over the Cashie River in Bertie County. Federal Project No. BRZ-1219[1], State Project No. 8.2010501, TIP No. B-4027.

Reference: Action ID No. 200310719

Since issuance of the Nationwide 23 Permit for TIP No. B-4027, Utility Relocation Design has been revised to accommodate for waterline relocation. As illustrated in the attached Utility Plan, mechanized clearing and excavation will be required to join the new waterline to the existing with an elbow connection. This will entail permanent impacts to 0.0392 acre of jurisdictional wetland. Additionally, temporary fill will occur adjacent to the excavated area and within the mechanized clearing zone and temporary "hand-clearing" impacts to jurisdictional wetland will result from waterline and power/telephone line relocation.

Revisions to CAMA Major Development Permit Application were made under separate cover. Thank you for your assistance with this project. If you have any questions or need additional information, please Tyler Stanton at [tstanton@dot.state.nc.us](mailto:tstanton@dot.state.nc.us) or (919) 715-1439.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. Thorpe".

Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D. Environmental Management Director,  
Project Development and Environmental Analysis Branch

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**LOCATION:**  
TRANSPORTATION BUILDING  
1 SOUTH WILMINGTON STREET  
RALEIGH NC

Cc W/attachment:

Mr. John Hennessy, NCDWQ (2 Copies)  
Mr. Travis Wilson, NCWRC  
Mr. Gary Jordan, USFWS  
Mr. Ron Sechler, NMFS  
Mr. Michael Street, NCDMF  
Dr. David Chang, P.E., Hydraulics  
Mr. Greg Perfetti, P.E., Structure Design  
Mr. Mark Staley, Roadside Environmental  
Mr. Anthony Roper, P.E., Division 1 Engineer  
Mr. Clay Willis, Division 1 Environmental Officer

Cc W/o attachment:

Ms. Wanda Gooden, NCDCM  
Ms. Cathy Brittingham, NCDCM  
Mr. Scott McLendon, USACE, Wilmington  
Mr. Jay Bennett, P.E., Roadway Design  
Mr. Majed Alghandour, Programming and TIP  
Mr. Art McMillan, P.E., Highway Design  
Ms. Beth Harmon, EEP  
Mr. Todd Jones, NCDOT External Audit Branch  
Mr. Bill Goodwin, P.E., PDEA

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**USACE Action ID No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **DWQ No.** \_\_\_\_\_

(If any particular item is not applicable to this project, please enter "Not Applicable" or "N/A".)

**I. Processing**

1. Check all of the approval(s) requested for this project:  

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 404 Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Riparian or Watershed Buffer Rules
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 10 Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolated Wetland Permit from DWQ
<input type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification	<input type="checkbox"/> Express 401 Water Quality Certification
  
2. Nationwide, Regional or General Permit Number(s) Requested: Nationwide 12
  
3. If this notification is solely a courtesy copy because written approval for the 401 Certification is not required, check here:
  
4. If payment into the North Carolina Ecosystem Enhancement Program (NCEEP) is proposed for mitigation of impacts, attach the acceptance letter from NCEEP, complete section VIII, and check here:
  
5. If your project is located in any of North Carolina's twenty coastal counties (listed on page 4), and the project is within a North Carolina Division of Coastal Management Area of Environmental Concern (see the top of page 2 for further details), check here:

**II. Applicant Information**

1. Owner/Applicant Information  
Name: Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D., Environmental Management Director  
Mailing Address: 1598 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC  

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Telephone Number: (919) 733-3141 Fax Number: (919) 733-9794  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Agent/Consultant Information (A signed and dated copy of the Agent Authorization letter must be attached if the Agent has signatory authority for the owner/applicant.)  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  

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Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Project Information**

Attach a **vicinity map** clearly showing the location of the property with respect to local landmarks such as towns, rivers, and roads. Also provide a detailed **site plan** showing property boundaries and development plans in relation to surrounding properties. Both the vicinity map and site plan must include a scale and north arrow. The specific footprints of all buildings, impervious surfaces, or other facilities must be included. If possible, the maps and plans should include the appropriate USGS Topographic Quad Map and NRCS Soil Survey with the property boundaries outlined. Plan drawings, or other maps may be included at the applicant's discretion, so long as the property is clearly defined. For administrative and distribution purposes, the USACE requires information to be submitted on sheets no larger than 11 by 17-inch format; however, DWQ may accept paperwork of any size. DWQ prefers full-size construction drawings rather than a sequential sheet version of the full-size plans. If full-size plans are reduced to a small scale such that the final version is illegible, the applicant will be informed that the project has been placed on hold until decipherable maps are provided.

1. Name of project: B-4027
2. T.I.P. Project Number or State Project Number (NCDOT Only): B-4027
3. Property Identification Number (Tax PIN): N/A
4. Location  
County: Bertie Nearest Town: Lewiston-Woodville  
Subdivision name (include phase/lot number): N/A  
Directions to site (include road numbers/names, landmarks, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Site coordinates (For linear projects, such as a road or utility line, attach a sheet that separately lists the coordinates for each crossing of a distinct waterbody.)  
Decimal Degrees (6 digits minimum): 77.1210 °N 36.1240 °W
6. Property size (acres): N/A
7. Name of nearest receiving body of water: Cashie River
8. River Basin: Roanoke  
(Note – this must be one of North Carolina's seventeen designated major river basins. The River Basin map is available at <http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/admin/maps/>.)
9. Describe the existing conditions on the site and general land use in the vicinity of the project at the time of this application: Rural with forested areas and scattered residential and farms.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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10. Describe the overall project in detail, including the type of equipment to be used: Replacement of the existing bridge structure with a 160-foot cored slab bridge at approximately the same location and a slightly higher roadway elevation of the existing structure using top-down construction.

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11. Explain the purpose of the proposed work: The bridge is considered to be structurally deficient and functionally obsolete and the replacement will result in safer traffic operations.

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**IV. Prior Project History**

If jurisdictional determinations and/or permits have been requested and/or obtained for this project (including all prior phases of the same subdivision) in the past, please explain. Include the USACE Action ID Number, DWQ Project Number, application date, and date permits and certifications were issued or withdrawn. Provide photocopies of previously issued permits, certifications or other useful information. Describe previously approved wetland, stream and buffer impacts, along with associated mitigation (where applicable). If this is a NCDOT project, list and describe permits issued for prior segments of the same T.I.P. project, along with construction schedules. N/A

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**V. Future Project Plans**

Are any future permit requests anticipated for this project? If so, describe the anticipated work, and provide justification for the exclusion of this work from the current application.  
N/A

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**VI. Proposed Impacts to Waters of the United States/Waters of the State**

It is the applicant's (or agent's) responsibility to determine, delineate and map all impacts to wetlands, open water, and stream channels associated with the project. Each impact must be listed separately in the tables below (e.g., culvert installation should be listed separately from riprap dissipater pads). Be sure to indicate if an impact is temporary. All proposed impacts, permanent and temporary, must be listed, and must be labeled and clearly identifiable on an accompanying site plan. All wetlands and waters, and all streams (intermittent and perennial) should be shown on a delineation map, whether or not impacts are proposed to these systems. Wetland and stream evaluation and delineation forms should be included as appropriate. Photographs may be included at the applicant's discretion. If this proposed impact is strictly for wetland or stream mitigation, list and describe the impact in Section VIII below. If additional space is needed for listing or description, please attach a separate sheet.

1. Provide a written description of the proposed impacts: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Individually list wetland impacts. Types of impacts include, but are not limited to mechanized clearing, grading, fill, excavation, flooding, ditching/drainage, etc. For dams, separately list impacts due to both structure and flooding.

Wetland Impact Site Number (indicate on map)	Type of Impact	Type of Wetland (e.g., forested, marsh, herbaceous, bog, etc.)	Located within 100-year Floodplain (yes/no)	Distance to Nearest Stream (linear feet)	Area of Impact (acres)
Sta15+78 – 15+85	Mechanized Clearing	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.012
Sta15+81 – 15+85	Excavation	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.002
Sta15+81 – 15+85	Temporary Fill	Palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.002
Sta22+36 - 23+00	Mechanized Clearing	Palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.027
Sta22+36 - 22+81	Excavation	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.003
Sta22+36 - 22+81	Temporary Fill	Palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.003
Sta15+85 - 16+61	Hand Clearing	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.017
Sta20+33 – 21+00	Hand Clearing	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.011
Sta14+31 – 15+06	Hand Clearing	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.022
Sta20+63 – 21+33	Hand Clearing	palustrine	yes	adjacent	0.015
Total Wetland Impact (acres)					0.114

3. List the total acreage (estimated) of all existing wetlands on the property: 26.6
4. Individually list all intermittent and perennial stream impacts. Be sure to identify temporary impacts. Stream impacts include, but are not limited to placement of fill or culverts, dam construction, flooding, relocation, stabilization activities (e.g., cement walls, rip-rap, crib walls, gabions, etc.), excavation, ditching/straightening, etc. If stream relocation is proposed, plans and profiles showing the linear footprint for both the original and relocated streams must be included. To calculate acreage, multiply length X width, then divide by 43,560.

Stream Impact Number (indicate on map)	Stream Name	Type of Impact	Perennial or Intermittent?	Average Stream Width Before Impact	Impact Length (linear feet)	Area of Impact (acres)
Total Stream Impact (by length and acreage)					0	0

5. Individually list all open water impacts (including lakes, ponds, estuaries, sounds, Atlantic Ocean and any other water of the U.S.). Open water impacts include, but are not limited to fill, excavation, dredging, flooding, drainage, bulkheads, etc.

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Open Water Impact Site Number (indicate on map)	Name of Waterbody (if applicable)	Type of Impact	Type of Waterbody (lake, pond, estuary, sound, bay, ocean, etc.)	Area of Impact (acres)
Total Open Water Impact (acres)				0

7. List the cumulative impact to all Waters of the U.S. resulting from the project:

Stream Impact (acres):	0
Wetland Impact (acres):	0.114
Open Water Impact (acres):	0
Total Impact to Waters of the U.S. (acres)	0.114
Total Stream Impact (linear feet):	0

8. Isolated Waters

Do any isolated waters exist on the property?  Yes  No

Describe all impacts to isolated waters, and include the type of water (wetland or stream) and the size of the proposed impact (acres or linear feet). Please note that this section only applies to waters that have specifically been determined to be isolated by the USACE.

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9. Pond Creation

If construction of a pond is proposed, associated wetland and stream impacts should be included above in the wetland and stream impact sections. Also, the proposed pond should be described here and illustrated on any maps included with this application.

Pond to be created in (check all that apply):  uplands  stream  wetlands

Describe the method of construction (e.g., dam/embankment, excavation, installation of draw-down valve or spillway, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed use or purpose of pond (e.g., livestock watering, irrigation, aesthetic, trout pond, local stormwater requirement, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Current land use in the vicinity of the pond: \_\_\_\_\_

Size of watershed draining to pond: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected pond surface area: \_\_\_\_\_

## VII. Impact Justification (Avoidance and Minimization)

Specifically describe measures taken to avoid the proposed impacts. It may be useful to provide information related to site constraints such as topography, building ordinances, accessibility, and financial viability of the project. The applicant may attach drawings of alternative, lower-impact

site layouts, and explain why these design options were not feasible. Also discuss how impacts were minimized once the desired site plan was developed. If applicable, discuss construction techniques to be followed during construction to reduce impacts. Hand-clearing, Directional Bore Method.

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## VIII. Mitigation

DWQ - In accordance with 15A NCAC 2H .0500, mitigation may be required by the NC Division of Water Quality for projects involving greater than or equal to one acre of impacts to freshwater wetlands or greater than or equal to 150 linear feet of total impacts to perennial streams.

USACE – In accordance with the Final Notice of Issuance and Modification of Nationwide Permits, published in the Federal Register on January 15, 2002, mitigation will be required when necessary to ensure that adverse effects to the aquatic environment are minimal. Factors including size and type of proposed impact and function and relative value of the impacted aquatic resource will be considered in determining acceptability of appropriate and practicable mitigation as proposed. Examples of mitigation that may be appropriate and practicable include, but are not limited to: reducing the size of the project; establishing and maintaining wetland and/or upland vegetated buffers to protect open waters such as streams; and replacing losses of aquatic resource functions and values by creating, restoring, enhancing, or preserving similar functions and values, preferable in the same watershed.

If mitigation is required for this project, a copy of the mitigation plan must be attached in order for USACE or DWQ to consider the application complete for processing. Any application lacking a required mitigation plan or NCEEP concurrence shall be placed on hold as incomplete. An applicant may also choose to review the current guidelines for stream restoration in DWQ's Draft Technical Guide for Stream Work in North Carolina, available at <http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/ncwetlands/strmgide.html>.

1. Provide a brief description of the proposed mitigation plan. The description should provide as much information as possible, including, but not limited to: site location (attach directions and/or map, if offsite), affected stream and river basin, type and amount (acreage/linear feet) of mitigation proposed (restoration, enhancement, creation, or preservation), a plan view, preservation mechanism (e.g., deed restrictions, conservation easement, etc.), and a description of the current site conditions and proposed method of construction. Please attach a separate sheet if more space is needed.

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP), will assume responsibility for satisfying the federal Clean Water Act compensatory mitigation requirements.

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2. Mitigation may also be made by payment into the North Carolina Ecosystem Enhancement Program (NCEEP). Please note it is the applicant's responsibility to contact the NCEEP at



(919) 715-0476 to determine availability, and written approval from the NCEEP indicating that they are will to accept payment for the mitigation must be attached to this form. For additional information regarding the application process for the NCEEP, check the NCEEP website at <http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/wrp/index.htm>. If use of the NCEEP is proposed, please check the appropriate box on page five and provide the following information:

Amount of stream mitigation requested (linear feet): N/A  
Amount of buffer mitigation requested (square feet): N/A  
Amount of Riparian wetland mitigation requested (acres): 0.275\*  
Amount of Non-riparian wetland mitigation requested (acres): N/A  
Amount of Coastal wetland mitigation requested (acres): N/A

\*Includes impacts approved under NWP 23 (Action ID: 200310719)

**IX. Environmental Documentation (required by DWQ)**

1. Does the project involve an expenditure of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use of public (federal/state) land? Yes  No
2. If yes, does the project require preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the requirements of the National or North Carolina Environmental Policy Act (NEPA/SEPA)? Note: If you are not sure whether a NEPA/SEPA document is required, call the SEPA coordinator at (919) 733-5083 to review current thresholds for environmental documentation. Yes  No
3. If yes, has the document review been finalized by the State Clearinghouse? If so, please attach a copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter. Yes  No

**X. Proposed Impacts on Riparian and Watershed Buffers (required by DWQ)**

It is the applicant's (or agent's) responsibility to determine, delineate and map all impacts to required state and local buffers associated with the project. The applicant must also provide justification for these impacts in Section VII above. All proposed impacts must be listed herein, and must be clearly identifiable on the accompanying site plan. All buffers must be shown on a map, whether or not impacts are proposed to the buffers. Correspondence from the DWQ Regional Office may be included as appropriate. Photographs may also be included at the applicant's discretion.

1. Will the project impact protected riparian buffers identified within 15A NCAC 2B .0233 (Neuse), 15A NCAC 2B .0259 (Tar-Pamlico), 15A NCAC 02B .0243 (Catawba) 15A NCAC 2B .0250 (Randleman Rules and Water Supply Buffer Requirements), or other (please identify \_\_\_\_\_)? Yes  No

2. If “yes”, identify the square feet and acreage of impact to each zone of the riparian buffers. If buffer mitigation is required calculate the required amount of mitigation by applying the buffer multipliers.

Zone*	Impact (square feet)	Multiplier	Required Mitigation
1		3 (2 for Catawba)	
2		1.5	
Total			

\* Zone 1 extends out 30 feet perpendicular from the top of the near bank of channel; Zone 2 extends an additional 20 feet from the edge of Zone 1.

3. If buffer mitigation is required, please discuss what type of mitigation is proposed (i.e., Donation of Property, Riparian Buffer Restoration / Enhancement, or Payment into the Riparian Buffer Restoration Fund). Please attach all appropriate information as identified within 15A NCAC 2B .0242 or .0244, or .0260.

N/A

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**XI. Stormwater (required by DWQ)**

Describe impervious acreage (existing and proposed) versus total acreage on the site. Discuss stormwater controls proposed in order to protect surface waters and wetlands downstream from the property. If percent impervious surface exceeds 20%, please provide calculations demonstrating total proposed impervious level. Roadway improvements will result in an additional 0.156-acre of impervious surface. Proposed stormwater controls include: an off-site detour; approach roadway drainage will be by sheet flow across 3:1 grassed shoulders; no deck drains on bridge; deck drainage will be directed away from either ends of the bridge by gutter and drainage system, and then dispersed on rip rapped pads before entering the wetlands.

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**XII. Sewage Disposal (required by DWQ)**

Clearly detail the ultimate treatment methods and disposition (non-discharge or discharge) of wastewater generated from the proposed project, or available capacity of the subject facility.

N/A

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**XIII. Violations (required by DWQ)**

Is this site in violation of DWQ Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .0500) or any Buffer Rules?

Yes  No

Is this an after-the-fact permit application? Yes  No

**XIV. Cumulative Impacts (required by DWQ)**

Will this project (based on past and reasonably anticipated future impacts) result in additional development, which could impact nearby downstream water quality? Yes  No

If yes, please submit a qualitative or quantitative cumulative impact analysis in accordance with the most recent North Carolina Division of Water Quality policy posted on our website at <http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/newetlands>. If no, please provide a short narrative description: \_\_\_\_\_

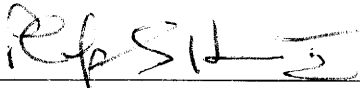
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**XV. Other Circumstances (Optional):**

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit the application sufficiently in advance of desired construction dates to allow processing time for these permits. However, an applicant may choose to list constraints associated with construction or sequencing that may impose limits on work schedules (e.g., draw-down schedules for lakes, dates associated with Endangered and Threatened Species, accessibility problems, or other issues outside of the applicant's control).

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**Applicant/Agent's Signature**

**Date**

(Agent's signature is valid only if an authorization letter from the applicant is provided.)

TOTAL PERMANENT IMPACTS ON WETLAND  
DUE TO WATER LINE RELOCATION USING  
MECHANIZED CLEARING METHOD

Impact Area (A5+A6) = 0.012+ 0.027=0.039 Acres

Excavation in wetlands= 0.002 Acres

Temporary Fill in wetlands= 0.002 Acres

TOTAL TEMPORARY IMPACTS ON WETLAND  
DUE TO UTILITIES RELOCATION OF POWER  
LINES AND TELE. LINES USING HAND  
CLEARING METHOD

Impact Area (A1+A2+A3+A4) = 0.011+ 0.015+0.022+0.017= 0.065 Acres

TOTAL TEMPORARY IMPACTS = 0.065 Acres  
TOTAL PERMANENT IMPACTS = 0.039 Acres

TOTAL WETLANDS IMPACT  
0.065+0.039= 0.104 Acres

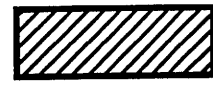
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BERTIE COUNTY

PROJECT: 8.2010501, (B-4027)  
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ON SR 1219

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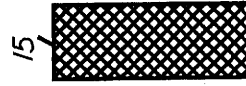
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DENOTES IMPACT AREA ON WETLAND DUE TO WATER LINE RELOCATION (MECHANIZED CLEARING)



DENOTES IMPACT AREA ON WETLAND DUE TO UTILITIES RELOCATION OF POWER LINES & TELE. LINES (HAND CLEARING)



DENOTES 3' WIDE EXCAVATION IN WETLANDS

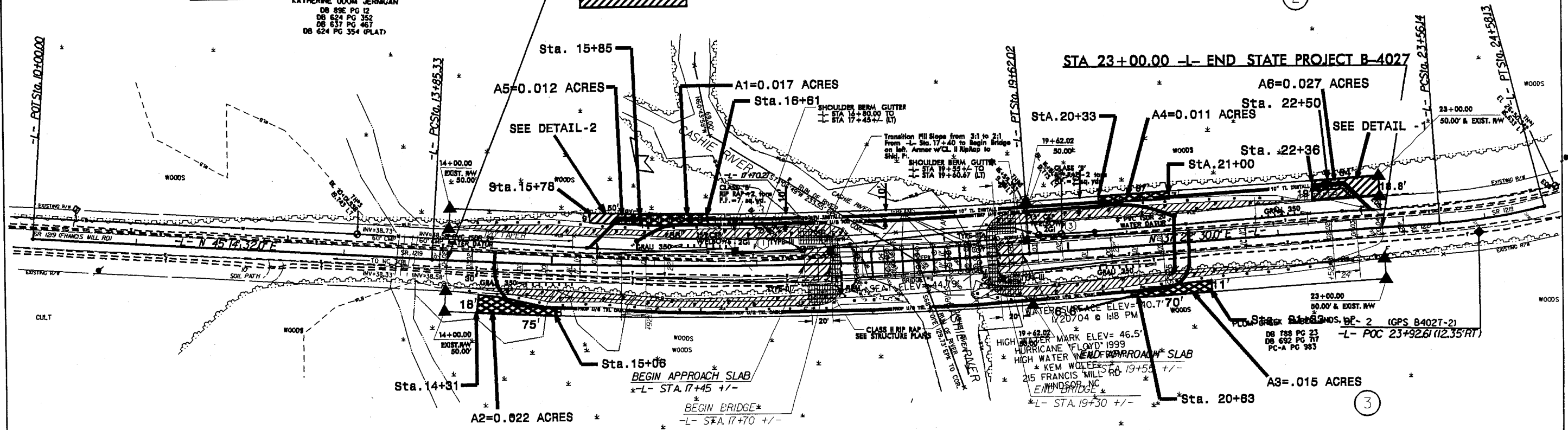


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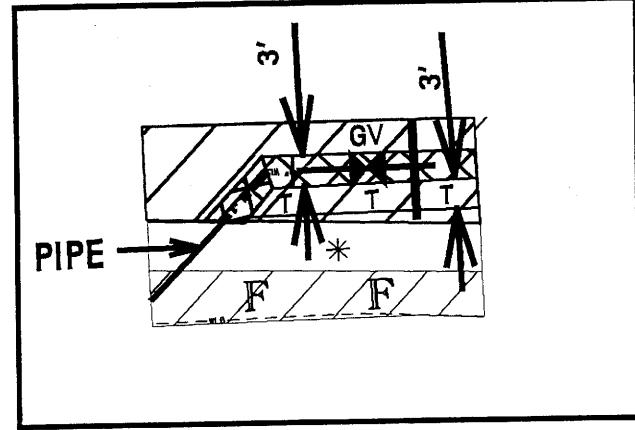
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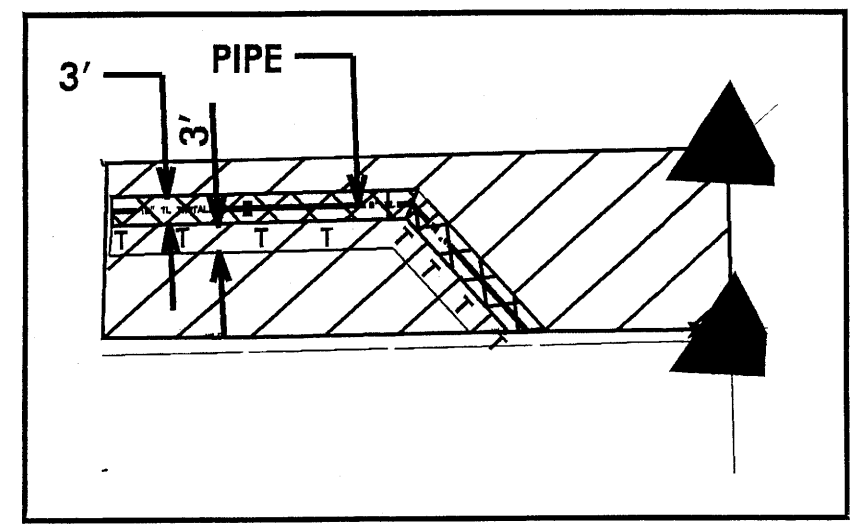
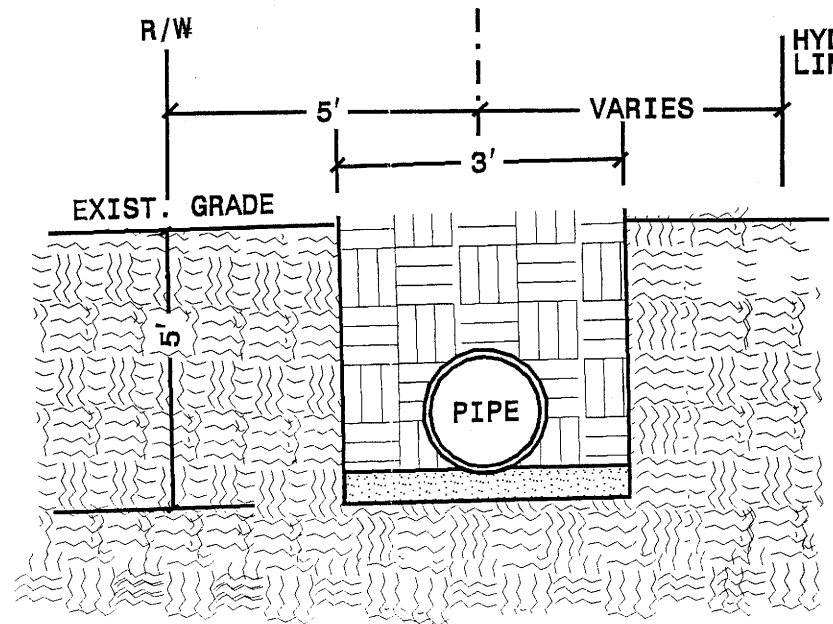
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HYDRO CLEARING LIMITS

DETAIL-1



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