

General Permit No.: SAC-2017-00835  
Name of Permittee: GENERAL PUBLIC  
Effective Date: August 31, 2017  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2022

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
GENERAL PERMIT**

A General Permit to authorize the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1341) and/or to place structures or perform work in or affecting navigable waters of the United States pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 U.S.C. 403), is hereby issued by the authority of the Secretary of the Army by the

District Engineer  
U.S. Army Engineer District, Charleston  
Corps of Engineers  
69-A Hagood Avenue  
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107

This geographic use of this General Permit is limited to the Coastal Zone area of Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, and Jasper Counties in South Carolina.

This General Permit authorizes certain activities described herein within currently functioning tidal impoundments that are currently managed for wildlife and/or rice production, and, further, that have all necessary embankments and structures in place to allow for the manipulation of water levels.

Furthermore, this General Permit requires that: (1) the impoundments be tidally influenced and located in navigable waters of the United States (i.e., Section 10 Waters); **OR** (2) (if not tidally influenced) the impoundments be located in waters of the United States (i.e., Section 404) and adjacent to other tidal impoundments that rely on the outgoing tide to drain.

**I. ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED:**

To the extent the above criteria are met (i.e., coastal zone requirements, impoundment type and specific location requirements), this General Permit authorizes the excavation of material and the discharge of dredged or fill material associated with the following activities:

- 1) Installation of new water controls structures, relocation or replacement of existing water control structures, and/or installation of associated bulkheads, splash aprons and wingwalls;
- 2) Replacement of existing culverts with water control structures;



- 3) Removal or abandonment of existing water control structures, including excavation of fill material necessary for the work;
- 4) Excavation of new and maintenance of existing inlet canals associated with water control structures;
- 5) Construction of new and maintenance of bank stabilization structures and fills;
- 6) Excavation and/or fill activities necessary for re-topping field-dikes, constructing berms, and constructing, relocating or maintaining canals and drains. This includes spreading or side-casting excavated material;
- 7) Construction of new interior embankments and rehabilitation of remnant interior embankments to subdivide tidal impoundments;
- 8) Construction of new set-back and/or contraction embankments to replace failing perimeter and interior embankments, including construction of temporary cofferdams;
- 9) Construction of road crossings across interior canals or drains;
- 10) Moist Soil Management activities;
- 11) Emergency repairs to and emergency construction of structures and fills that are necessary to restore or maintain water management capabilities to a tidal impoundment that may have been lost, or is anticipated to be lost, as a result of events and situations such as, but not limited to, storms, strong currents, unusually high tides, or wildlife activity;
- 12) Removal or destruction of invasive and/or non-native species; and
- 13) Maintenance and repair of all authorized work.

**NOTE 1:** The construction of bulkheads, splash aprons, and wingwalls associated with water control structures, the excavation of inlet canals associated with water control structures, and bank stabilization to the outside of perimeter embankments are the ONLY activities authorized by the General Permit that may be constructed OUTSIDE of currently functioning managed tidal impoundments.

**NOTE 2:** All excavation of inlet canals OUTSIDE of the perimeter embankments of currently functioning managed tidal impoundments that occur in emergent vegetated wetlands OR that exceed 40 cubic yards of excavated sub-tidal sediment will require the submittal of a permit application to the Corps PRIOR to construction. The Corps will coordinate the excavation of the inlet canal with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). The inlet canal shall not be constructed until the Corps issues a verification letter.

**NOTE 3:** A prospective permittee shall submit a permit application prior to conducting activities authorized by this General Permit if a Federal project is located in or near the vicinity of the activity.



provide the property owner, agent, or interested party with a Qualification Letter for use of this General Permit. The Corps will maintain a file for each property and will update the file accordingly. The Qualification Letter Request Form can be found in Appendix B. of this General Permit. If a property is sold or transferred, the new owner should submit a letter of ownership change that includes the name and mailing address of the new owner(s). The existing qualification letter for use of this General Permit will automatically transfer to the new owner. No additional approval from the Corps is required.

A Qualification Letter for a field (or fields) may also be updated by the Corps as conditions warrant and upon request of the property owner, agent, or interested party.

The Corps will coordinate all applications for Qualification Letters with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Corps staff archaeologist and/or the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), as appropriate, prior to determining if specific managed tidal impoundments or field are qualified for use of the General Permit.

#### **IV. USE OF THE GENERAL PERMIT**

Use of this General Permit to authorize activities described herein is dependent upon issuance of a Qualification Letter from the Corps. However, once a Qualification Letter has been issued, use of this General Permit for the authorization of activities described herein does NOT require submittal of a permit application prior to commencing work in accordance with this General Permit.

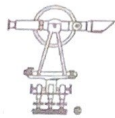
For any field(s) located within the impoundment(s) that is determined NOT to be qualified, this General Permit CANNOT be used to authorize work within that field(s), regardless of the qualification status of other fields within the same managed tidal impoundment or property.

Failure to obtain a Qualification Letter from the Corps prior to performing any work in waters of the U.S. in accordance with this General Permit will be considered a violation of the Clean Water Act and/or the Rivers and Harbors Act, and may result in an enforcement action.

#### **V. POST CONSTRUCTION FORM AND PROCEDURES**

The permittee is required to submit a Post Construction Form (PCF) to the Corps for ALL activities constructed in accordance with this General Permit. The PCF must be submitted within 30 days following completion of the authorized work. The purpose of the PCF is for the Charleston District to track the use of this General Permit and to ensure that activities were constructed in accordance with the conditions of this General Permit. The permittee need only fill out the PCF, provide drawings of the completed activity and mail the information to the Charleston District Regulatory Division at the address provided in Section III. No additional information or coordination is required. One PCF should be submitted per activity. The PCF can be found in Appendix C of this General Permit.





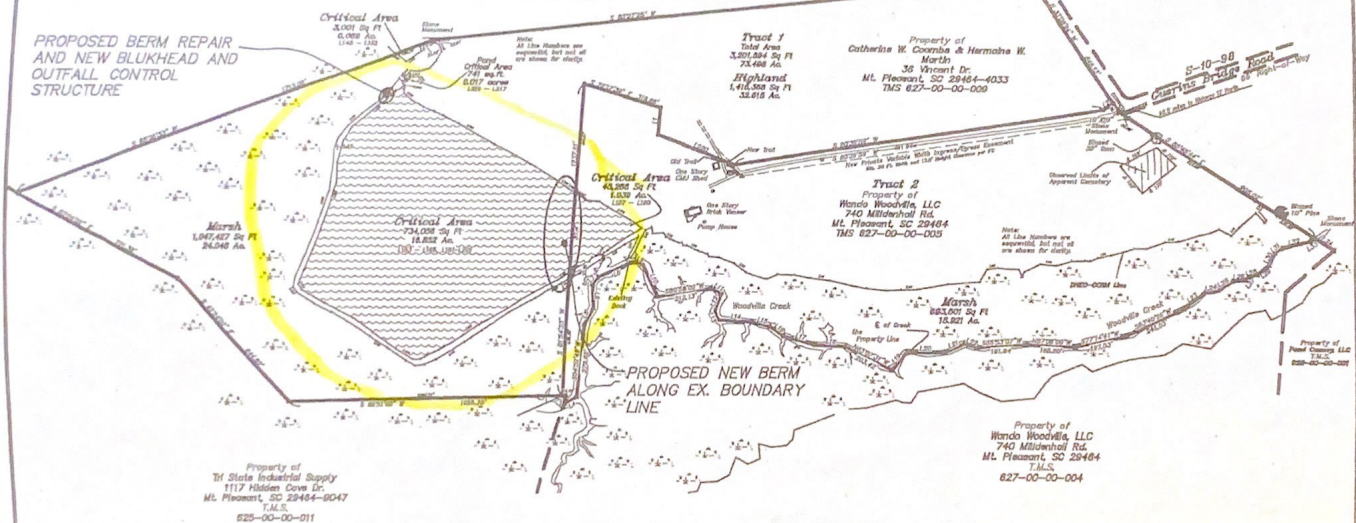
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Property of  
United States of America  
4831 Broad River Rd.  
Columbia, SC 29215-3530  
T.M.S.  
625-00-00-011

PROJECT WILL CONSIST OF:  
Repair of the Northwestern  
Impoundment Berm Failure Site  
Repair/Relocation of  
Southeastern Impoundment Berm  
Failure Site

PROPOSED BERM REPAIR  
AND NEW BLUKHEAD AND  
OUTFALL CONTROL  
STRUCTURE



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TMS No. 627-00-00-009  
Woodville Creek  
GAZJ JOB # 24455

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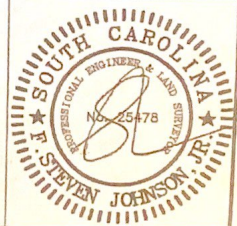
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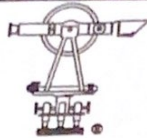
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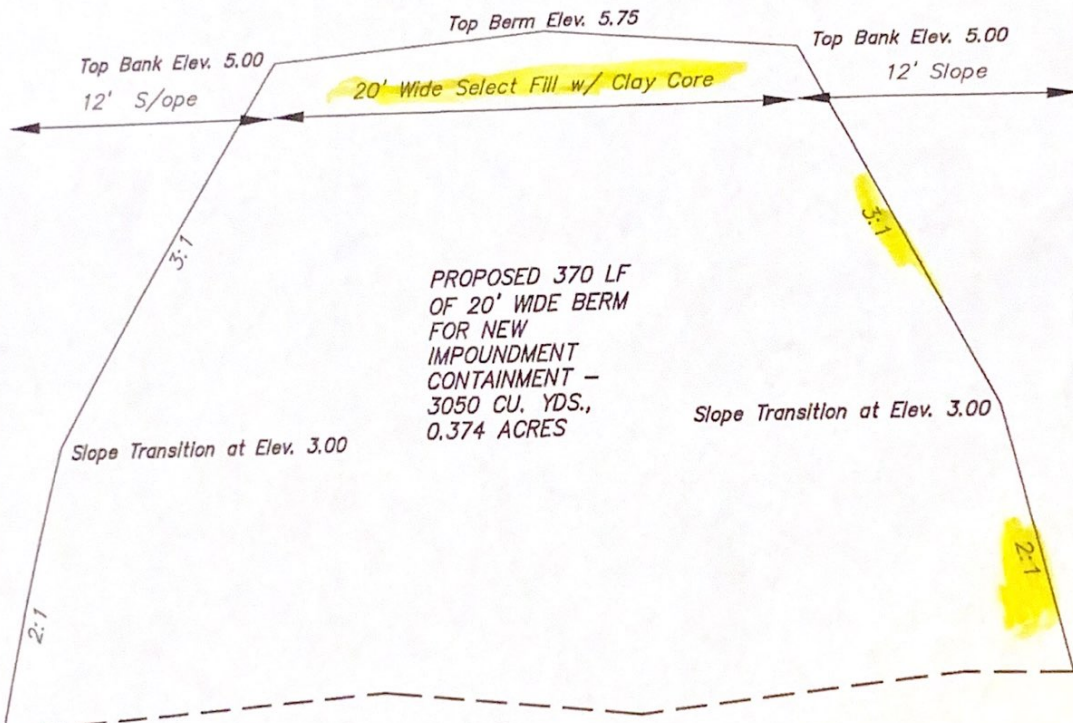
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"Hermine Martin Tract 1 Impoundment"



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