



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Memphis District

Public Notice

FILE NUMBER: MVM 2018-182 (BSP)

NOTICE DATE:
May 30, 2018

Attn: Postmaster,
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EXPIRATION DATE:
June 29, 2018

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE: This public notice is issued jointly with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). The Department of Natural Resources will use the comments to this notice in deciding whether to grant Section 401 water quality certification.

AUTHORITY: Pursuant to 33 CFR 325, as published in the Federal Register dated November 13, 1986, this notice announces an application submitted for a Department of the Army permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

APPLICANT:

Stephen Andrew Williams
Rootwad Duck Club
508 N. Main Street
Sikeston, MO 63845

PURPOSE: The project purpose is to maintain a controlled water level during waterfowl hunting season.

LOCATION: The project site is located along County Road 515 near East Prairie, Mississippi County, Missouri, as shown on the attached map (Attachment 1). The approximate Latitude and Longitude for the project are 36.748781°N and -89.316406°W.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The project includes the construction of 2,900 linear feet of earthen levee and the installation of one water control structure as shown on attachments 2 and 3. The earthen levee will be 3 feet in height and have a base width of 12 feet. As proposed, the project will impact 0.80 acre of forested wetlands. Fill will be acquired from an onsite agricultural field.

AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, & COMPENSATION: According to the applicant, the levee would be built only to the height needed and the proposed alignment will follow an existing trail in an attempt to minimize the need for tree clearing. To offset wetland impacts, the applicant proposes to mitigate onsite.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any comments they have submitted regarding endangered or threatened wildlife or plants or their critical habitat will be considered in our evaluation of the described work.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The Memphis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally-recognized Tribes and the public in response to this public notice and may require a survey of the permit area.

FLOODPLAIN: In accordance with 44 CFR Part 60 (Floodplain Management and Use), participating communities are required to review all proposed development to determine if a floodplain development permit is required. Floodplain administrators should review the proposed public notice and notify this office of any floodplain development permit requirements.

PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW: The purpose of this public notice is to advise all interested parties of the activities for which a permit is sought and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact on the public interest.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; federally recognized Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reason for holding a public hearing. The District Engineer will determine if the issues raised are substantial and whether a hearing is needed for making a decision. If a public hearing is held, it will be for the purpose of obtaining additional information that we could not otherwise obtain through a public notice process; not to inform the public about the specific details of the project in greater detail than what is found in this notice. This is not a Corps of Engineers project. We are not a proponent nor are we an opponent of the project. We are merely the permitting authority of Section 404 permits required by our office.

COMMENTS: Send comments to the Corps of Engineers, Memphis District and Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Comments may be sent via mail or email to the following:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineer-Memphis District
Regulatory Branch
ATTN: Benjamin.S.Pitcock
167 N. Main Street, B-202
Memphis, Tennessee 38103-1894
e-mail: benjamin.s.pitcock@usace.army.mil
phone: (901) 544-3468
fax: (901) 544-0211

MDNR
Water Protection Program
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

The Corps of Engineers may provide copies of all comments, (including name & address of those providing comments) to the applicant for consideration and response prior to a decision. Comments must be received by the expiration date listed on page one of this notice.

For Final Individual Permits actions in the Memphis District, go to the following link: <http://geo.usace.army.mil/egis/f?p=340:2:0::NO:RP>. Using the Filter by District drop down box, select MVM-Memphis District, then select the year and month (information will populate in the table below). All pending individual permits can be located by selecting the “**Pending IP**” tab above. All of the environmental documents and statements of findings supporting issuance or denial of the permit decisions are available upon written request and where applicable, upon the payment of administrative fees. They are also available at the Memphis District, Regulatory Branch office for examination.

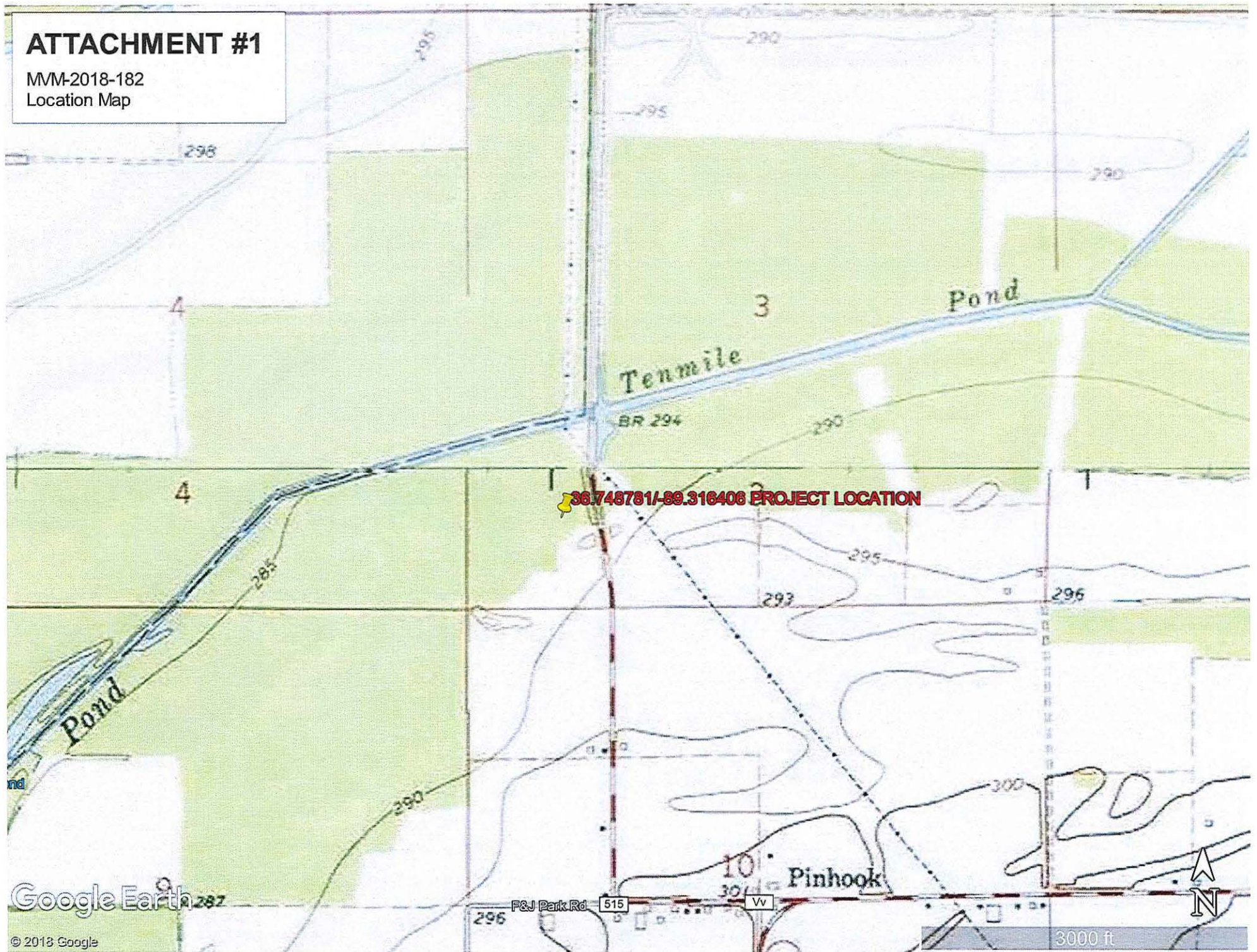


Gregg W. Williams
Chief
Regulatory Branch

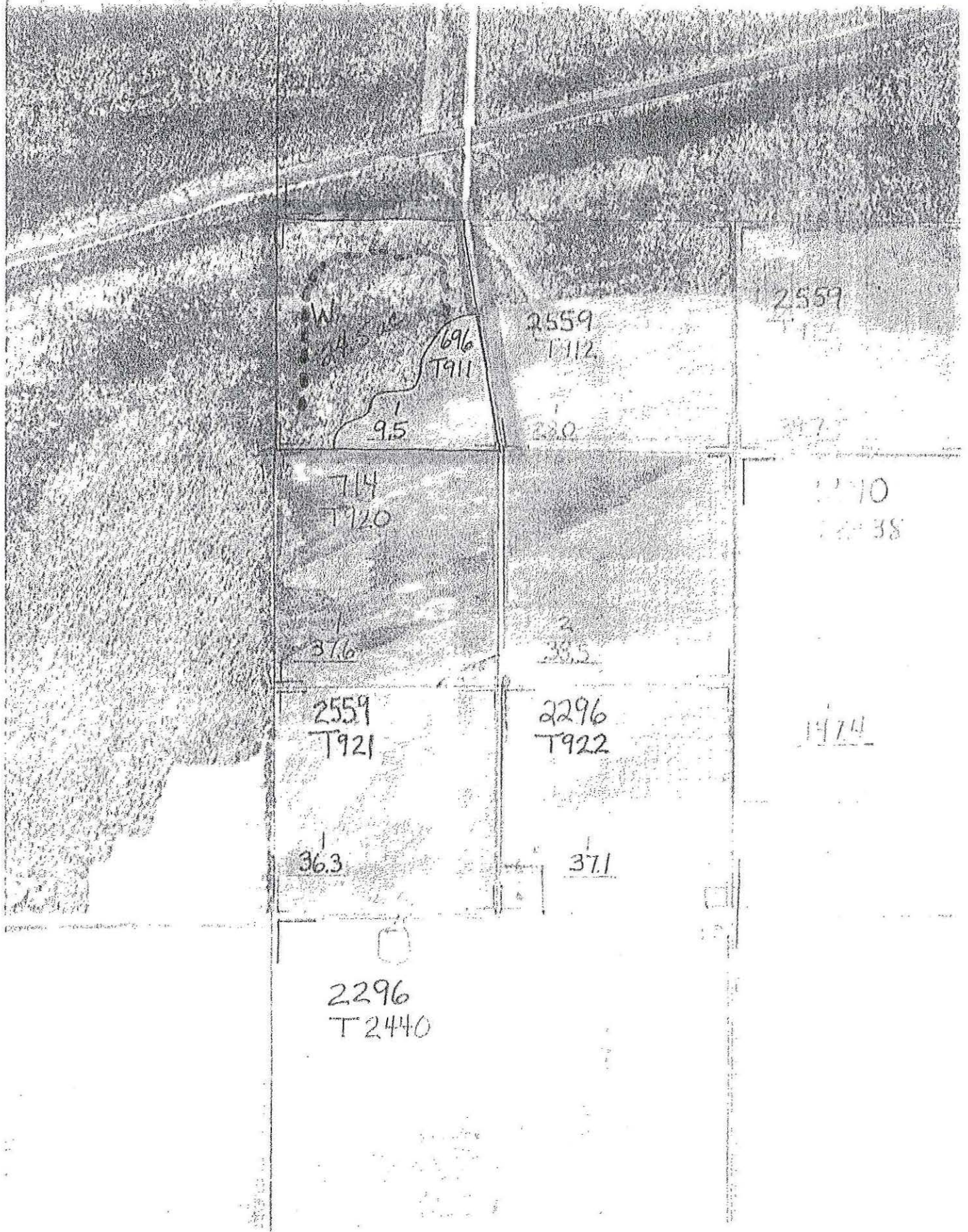
Attachments

ATTACHMENT #1

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Location Map

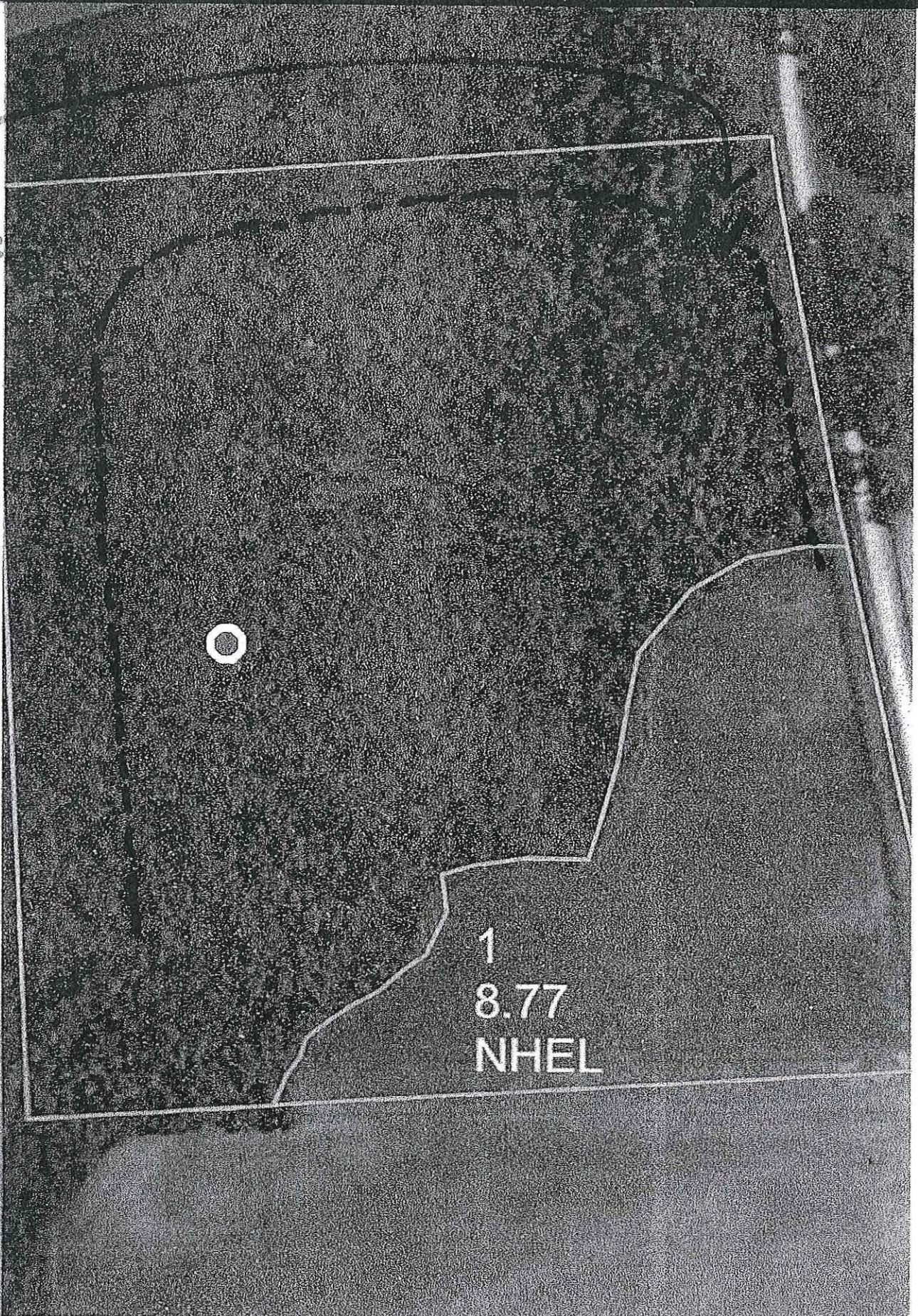
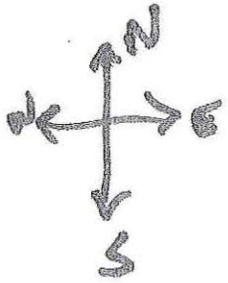


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