

US Army Corps
of Engineers
Memphis District

Public Notice

FILE NUMBER: MVM 2014-144

NOTICE DATE:
May 22, 2014

Attn: Postmaster,
Please Post Until

EXPIRATION DATE:
June 23, 2014

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 10 of the Rivers & Harbors Act.

APPLICANT:

Mr. Nathan Belstle
MFA Inc.
201 Ray Young Drive
Columbia, Missouri 65201
(573) 876-5349

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The applicant proposes to construct three high water breasting dolphins at their liquid fertilizer receiving facility. The dolphins will be constructed using a 50-foot piece of 24-inch diameter pipe. The dolphins will be arranged on site as shown on the attached diagram (Figure 2). The largest barge that would be unloaded at the facility measures 300 feet x 55 feet, with a 20-foot x 40-foot work barge between the materials barge and the new dolphins. This arrangement would extend their operation approximately 95 feet from the river bank while the barge is being unloaded. These barges are unloaded approximately 8 to 10 times per year primarily during the winter and spring (depending on demand for the product). Currently, the barges are being unloaded by the aid of two existing deadmen mooring points on the bank of the river (one upstream and downstream) with the work barge against the river bank. The materials are then pumped via an existing permanent pipeline to their nearby holding facility.

PURPOSE: According to applicant, the purpose of this project work is to improve the reliability of unloading barges during high water.

LOCATION: The project vicinity is in Caruthersville in Pemiscot County, Missouri, as shown on the attached map (Figure 4). The site is located at approximate River Mile 849 on the right descending bank and at latitude 36.21509°/longitude -89.68123° on the MO-Caruthersville 7.5-minute quadrangle map.

COMMENTS: To request additional information, contact Joe Brougher at (901) 544-3472. The Corps 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 should be received by the expiration date listed above. Comments may be sent via mail or E-mail to the following:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Memphis District
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Memphis, Tennessee 38103-1894
Fax (901) 544-0211
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ENDANGERED SPECIES: The pallid sturgeon and interior least tern are known to exist in the Mississippi River. No other endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat, are known to exist in the project area. This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any comments they may have 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 and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct or require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.

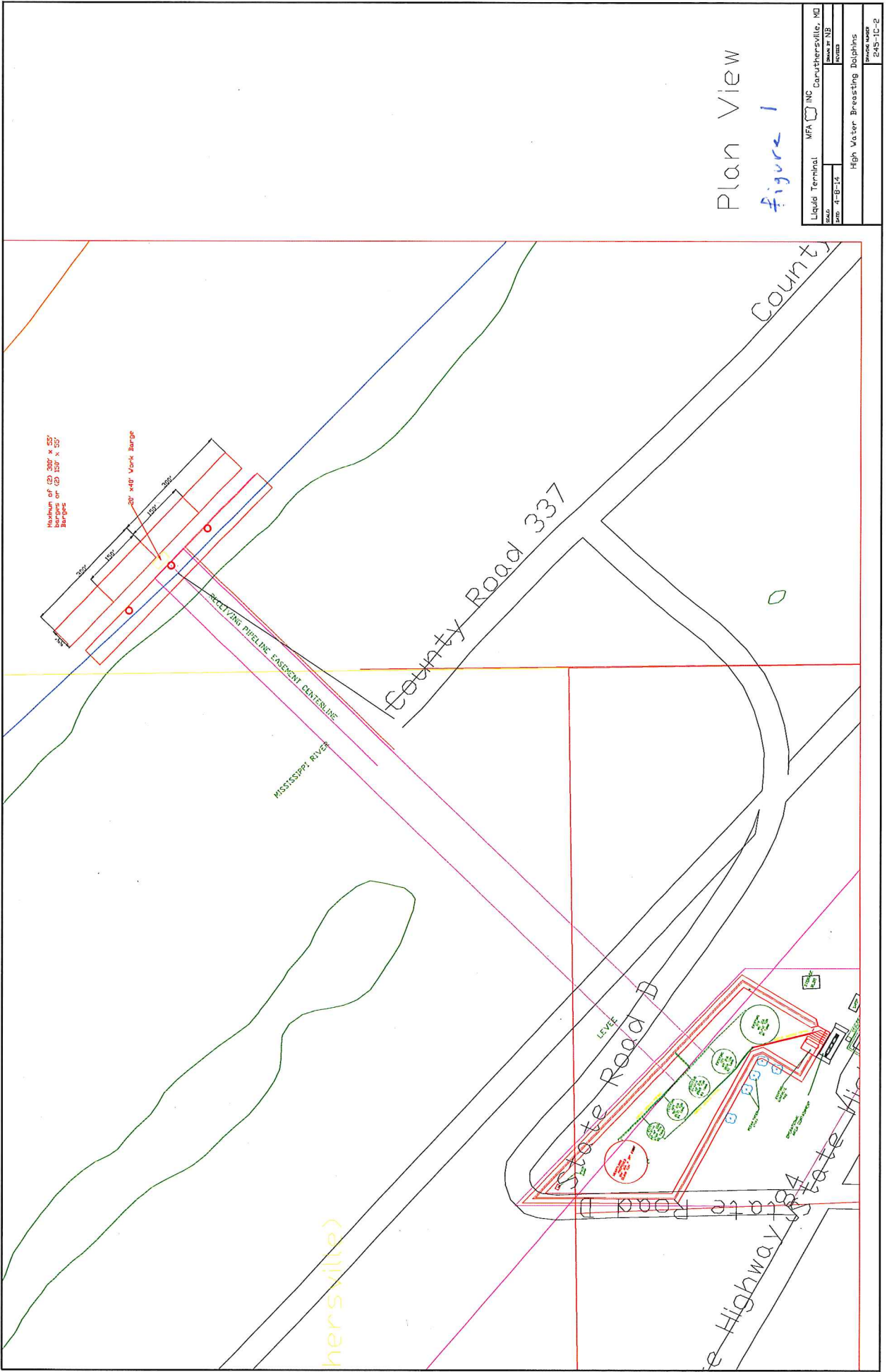
FLOOD PLAIN: In accordance with 44 CFR Part 60 (Flood Plain Management and Use), participating communities are required to review all proposed development to determine if a flood plain development permit is required. Flood plain administrators should review the proposed public notice and notify this office of any flood plain 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 project. We are not a proponent or are we an opponent of the project. We are merely the permitting authority of Section 404 and Section 10 permits required by our office.

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.

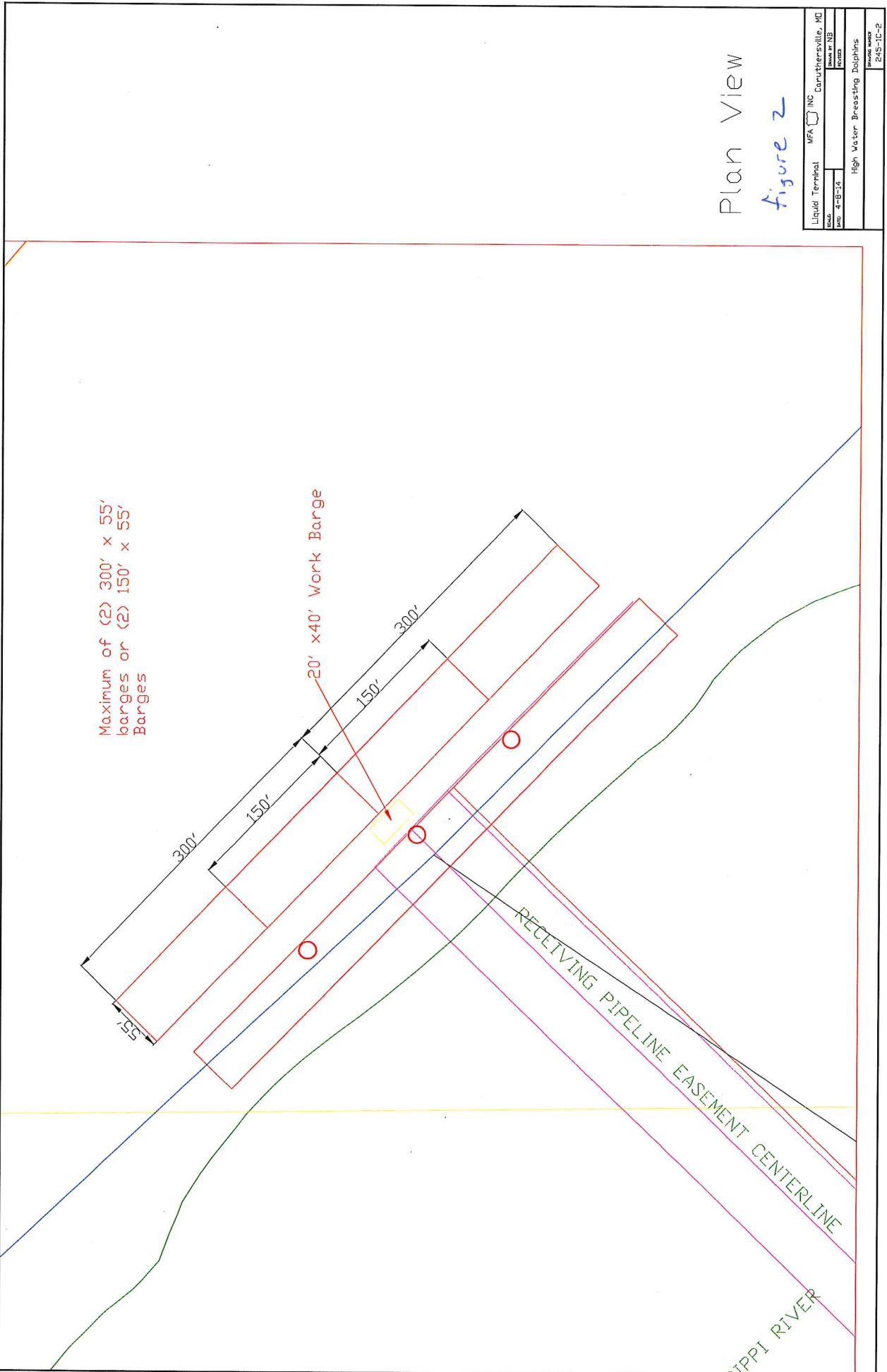
Tim H. Flinn, P.E.
Acting Chief
Regulatory Branch



Plan View

figure 1

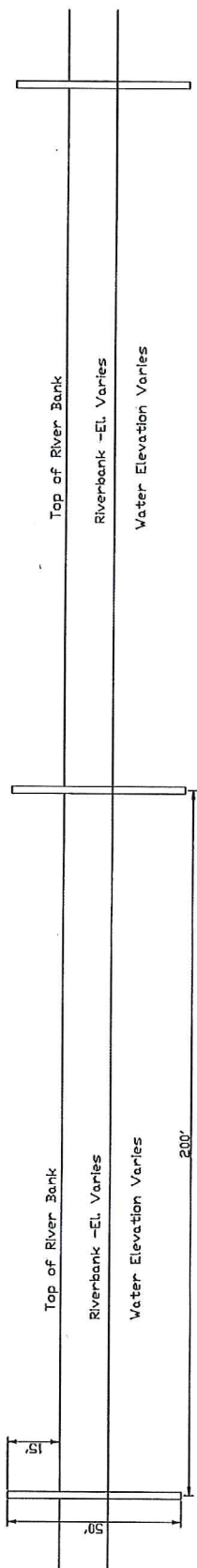
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| Liquid Terminal | | MFA | INC | Caruthersville, MO |
| SCALE | 4-B-14 | | | |
| DATE | 4-B-14 | | | |
| High Water Breasting Dolphins | | DRAWN BY NB | | |
| | | REVISED | | |
| | | SIGNED, MAJOR | | |
| | | 245-1C-2 | | |



Plan View

figure 2

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|-----------------|---------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Liquid Terminal | | MFA | INC | Caruthersville, MO |
| Scale | 4" = 8' - 14' | Sheet # | NB | |
| Date | 4-8-14 | Project | High Water Breasting Dolphins | |
| Drawing Number | | | | 245-1C-2 |



Elevation

figure 3

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| Liquid Terminal | | MFA <input type="checkbox"/> INC <input type="checkbox"/> Caruthersville, MO | |
| Area | 4-8-14 | Sheet # | 113 |
| Notes | High Water Breasting Dolphins | | |
| Project Name | | 245-10-2 | |

