

# Information for File # 2013-04487-LED

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**Primary County** Cook, Lake, Carlton, North St. Louis counties

**Section** 9

**Township** 63

**Range** 6

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**Authorization Type LOP-10-R**

This application is being reviewed in accordance with the practices for documenting Corps jurisdiction under Sections 9 & 10 of the Rivers and Harbor Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act identified in Regulatory Guidance Letter 07-01. We have made a preliminary determination that the aquatic resources that would be impacted by the proposed project are regulated by the Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Our jurisdictional review and final jurisdictional determination could result in modifications to the scope of the project's regulated waterbody/wetland impacts and compensatory mitigation requirements identified above. An approved jurisdictional determination will be made prior to reaching a permit decision, and will be posted on the St. Paul District web page at <http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/>.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE:**

Grand Portage Reservation is proposing to update the Grand Portage Lodge and Casino by expanding, shifting, and combining the current layout of the three parking areas into one larger lot. An extension will be built onto the north side of the casino, reconfiguring the drop off entrance, and shifting the road entrance to the west.

The Grand Portage Lodge and Casino, and the parking areas, will be remodeled and improved to address the aging infrastructure and stormwater management.

## **NAME, AREA AND TYPES OF WATERS (INCLUDING WETLANDS) SUBJECT TO LOSS:**

The wetland impact on the Grand Portage Lodge and Casino site involves the discharge of fill into 0.72 acres of Type 6 shrub-swamp and Type 8 coniferous bog adjacent to Lake Superior.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

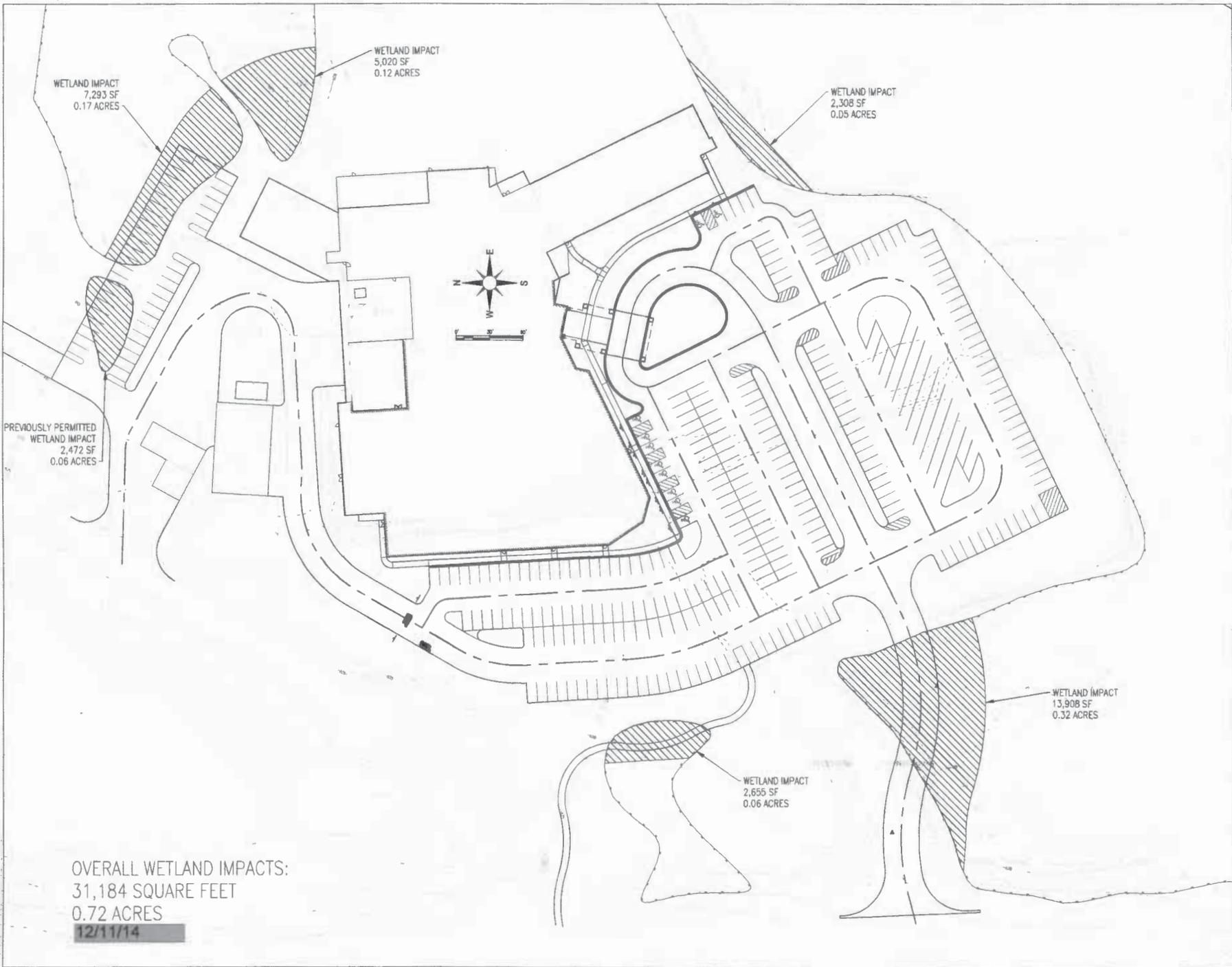
The applicant has proposed to consider several draft plans and edit to lessen the impact to wetlands. Wetland impacts were soon found to be unavoidable due to the constraints of the existing property and project requirements. Additional parking spaces will be required once the expansion of the casino takes up required parking spaces.

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:**

The Grand Portage Reservation has proposed to mitigate wetland impacts through the purchase of necessary mitigation credits.

**Drawings**     See attached.





**GRAND PORTAGE CASINO**  
 7 CASINO ROAD  
 GRAND PORTAGE, MN

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 date issue: 12/11/14

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE PLAN, SPECIFICATION, OR REPORT WAS PREPARED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION AND THAT I AM A DULY LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

SIGNATURE: DENNIS J. DDB/BJF LIC. # 1958

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