

## Information for File #2013-00819-SLM

**Applicant:** Gavilon Grain, LLC

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**Primary County:** Rock

**Section:** 17

**Township:** 2N

**Range :** 14E

**Information Complete On:** April 16, 2013

**Posting Expires On:** May 16, 2013

**Authorization Type:** Section 404 Letter of Permission

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. A preliminary jurisdictional determination was requested by the applicant's agent and was completed on March 12, 2013.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Gavilon Grain is a grain elevator facility that stores and ships wheat, corn, and soybeans. The grains are transloaded from truck to rail and shipped to destination customers. Gavilon Grain is expanding their grain handling and shipping operation at the Avalon location and, as a result, additional railroad access service is necessary. The proposed spur must be linked to the existing railroad track which is located immediately to the south of the Gavilon facility. The fixed location of the facility and the railroad track do not provide options to adjust the path the spur must take to service the facility. And, as a result of the location of the wetland complexes in this area, the spur construction will impact wetlands. A 0.7 acre wetland impact will occur as a result of the new railroad spur.

**PURPOSE AND NEED:** The purpose of the project is additional railroad access service. The proposed spur is needed to provide the ability to efficiently load grain into railroad cars for shipment of goods.

**NAME, AREA AND TYPES OF WATERS (INCLUDING WETLANDS) SUBJECT TO LOSS:** The proposed project would result in the unavoidable loss of 0.1 acres of shallow marsh and 0.6 acres of hardwood swamp. The project area was historically farmed and was further disturbed by the surrounding industrial development. Therefore, the quality of the wetlands are low to medium.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

No Action Alternative: The “no action” or “no build” alternative was considered but was eliminated by the applicant because this alternative would not meet the project purpose and need.

Alternative locations

The fixed location of the facility and the railroad track do not provide options to adjust the path the spur must take to service the facility.

Alternative on-site designs

Three on-site designs were proposed. Two of these designs were eliminated by the applicant as they would not meet the project purpose and need. Applicant preferred alternative is proposed in the above project narrative and will be reviewed by the Corps to be sure this alternative is the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative (LEDPA).

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:** The applicant proposes to fulfill compensatory mitigation requirements by purchasing 0.84 wetland credits from the Tallgrass Conservation – Bass Creek Mitigation Bank, Rock County, Wisconsin.

**Drawings:** See attached maps and drawings labeled MVP-2013-00819-SLM, Page 1 of 6 through Page 6 of 6.

Project boundaries



**Legend**

**Major Highways**

- Interstate
- State Highway
- U.S. Highways
- County Roads
- Local Roads

**24K County Boundaries**

- 24K County Boundaries

**Civil Towns**

- Civil Town

**24K Open Water**

- 24K Open Water

**24K Rivers and Shorelines**

- Intermittent
- Fluctuating
- Perennial

**Cities and Villages**

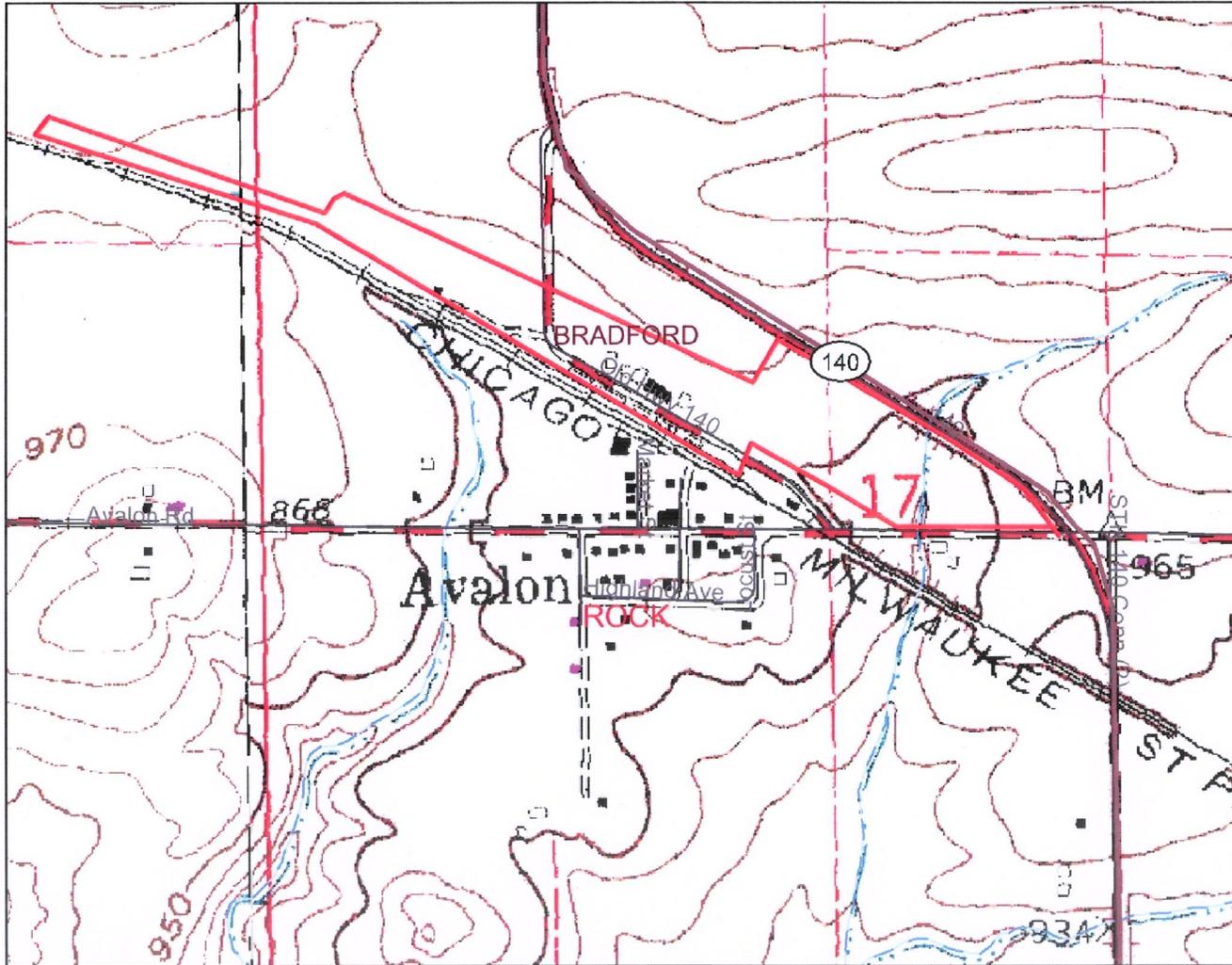
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# Gavilon Grain Topographic



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**24K County Boundaries**

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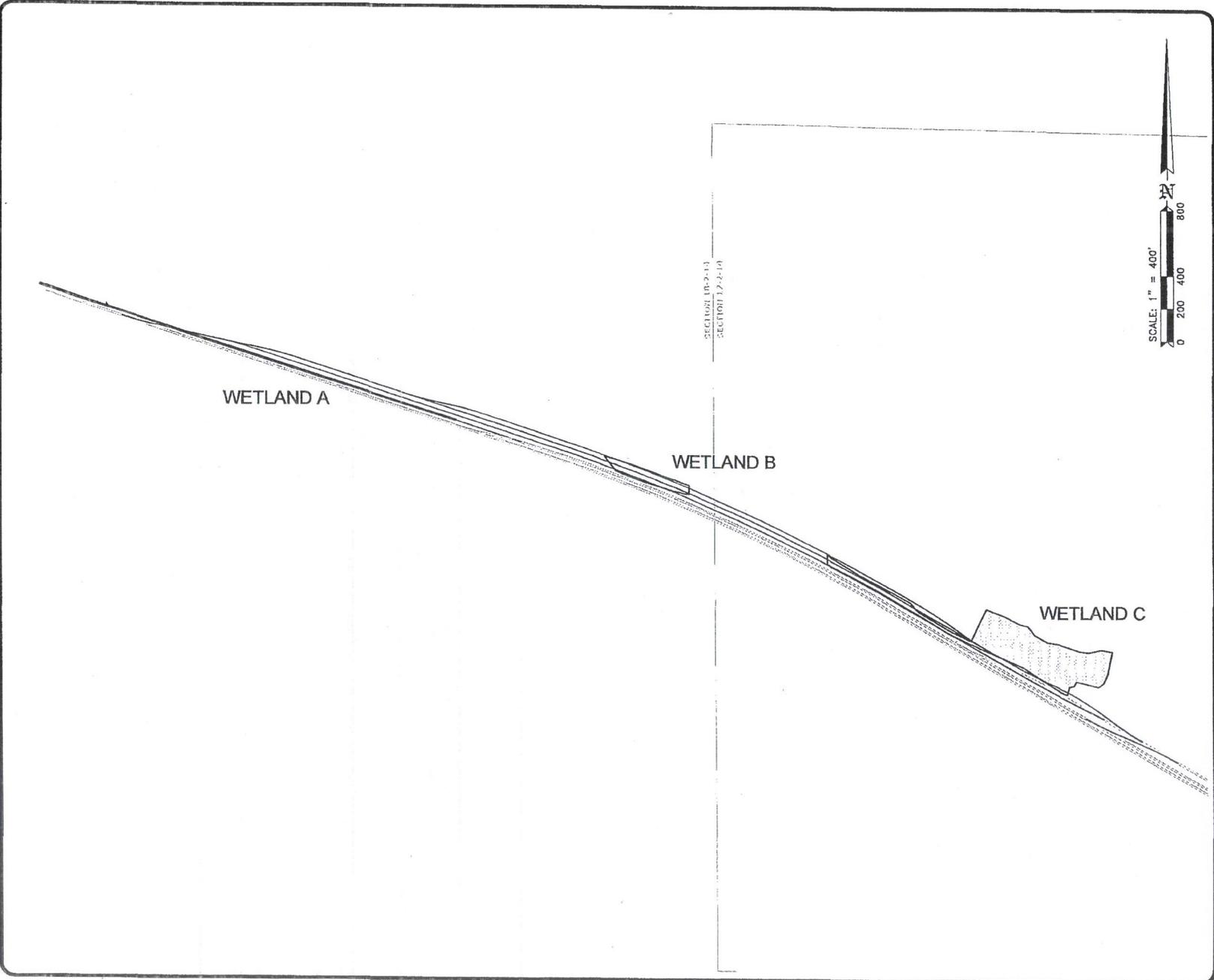
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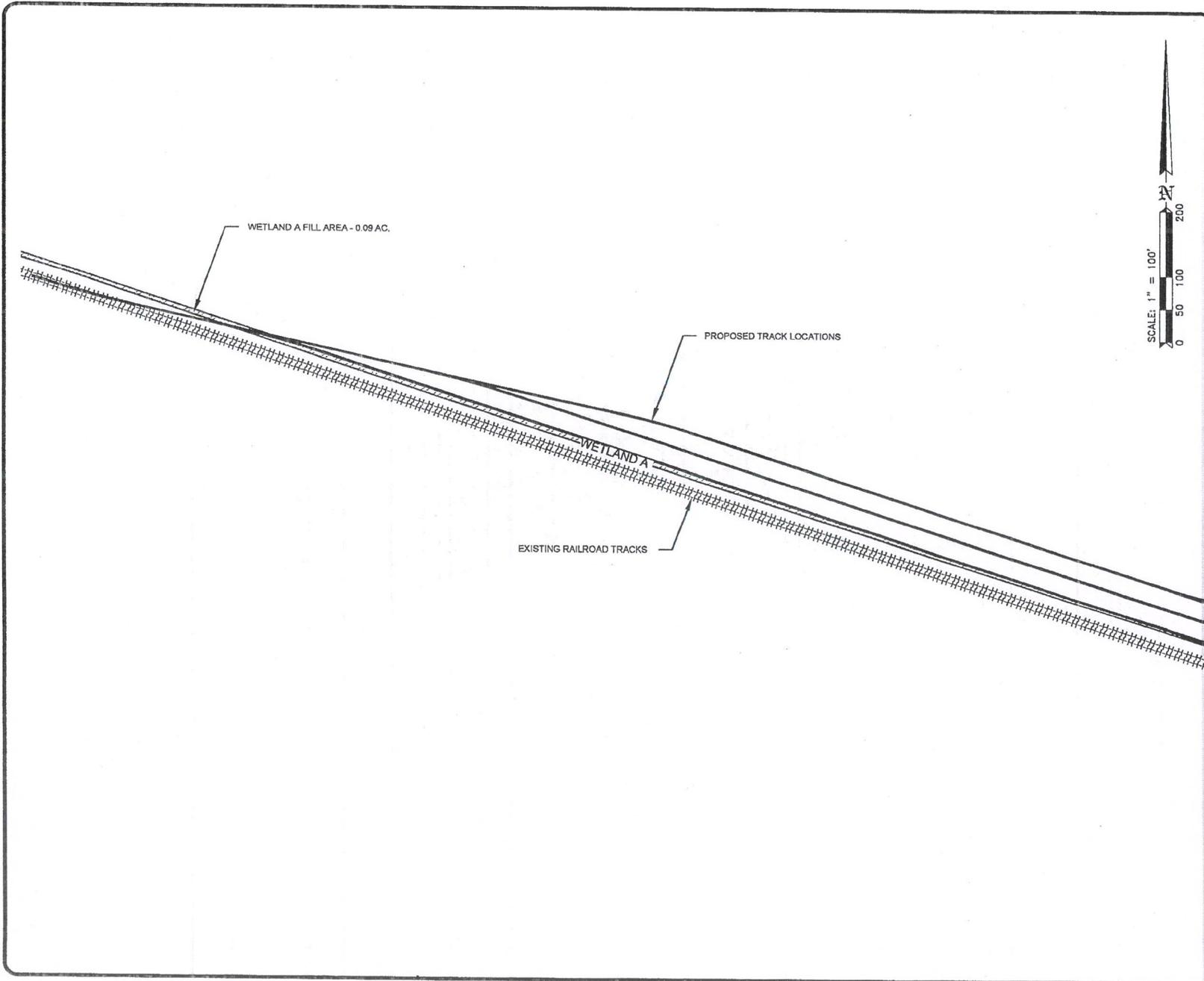
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**OVERALL**

GAVILON GRAIN  
THE GAVILON GROUP  
TOWN OF BRADFORD  
ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN

SHEET NO.  
**PLATE 1**





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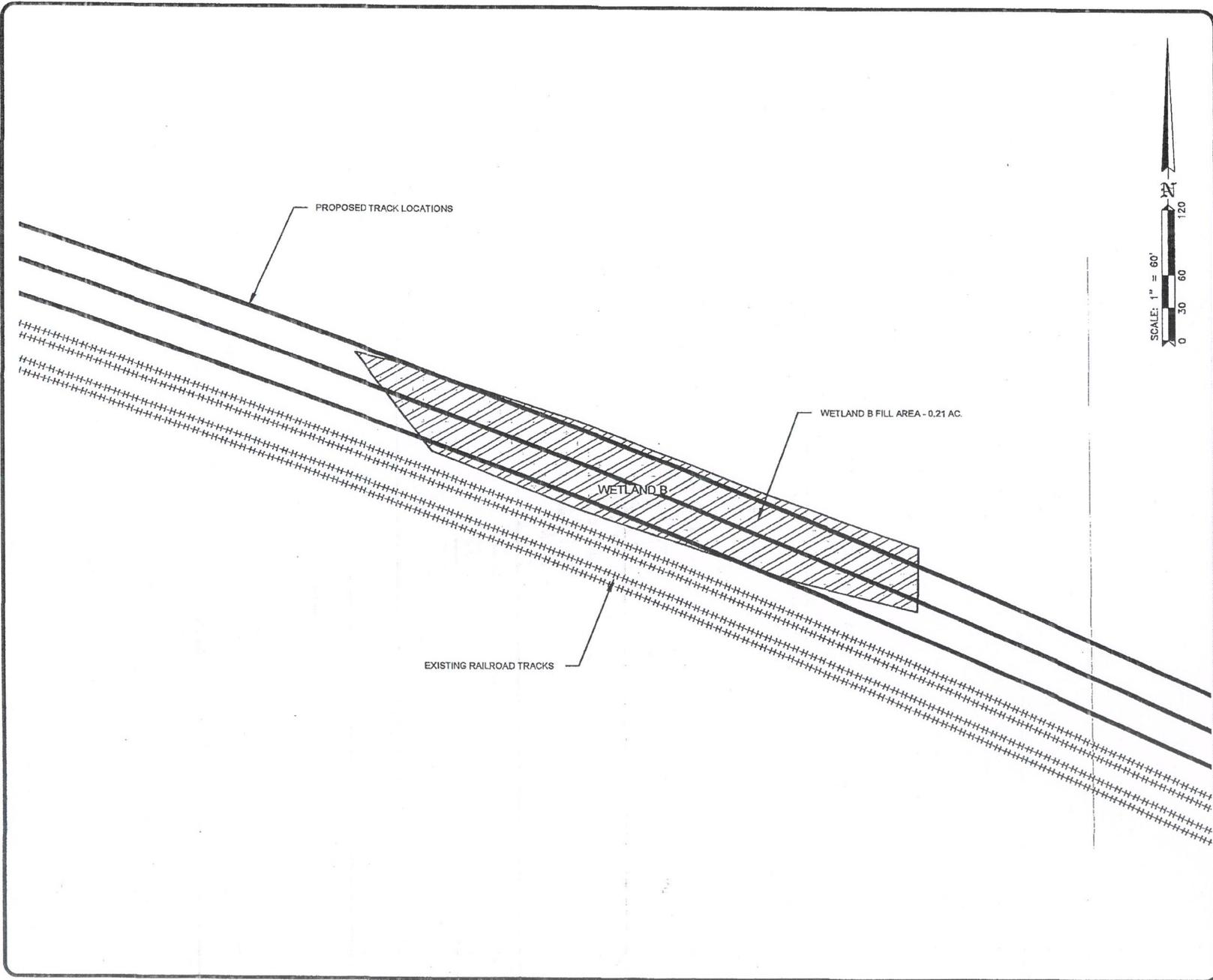
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GAVILON GRAIN  
THE GAVILON GROUP  
TOWN OF BRADFORD  
ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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SHEET NO.  
**PLATE 2**





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GAVILON GRAIN  
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TOWNSHIP OF BRANFORD  
ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
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PLATE 3

