

Information for File # MVP-2015-00786-SJW

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Primary County: Trempealeau

Project Location: NE ¼ NE ¼ of Sec. 13, T. 21N., R. 7W., Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.

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Authorization Type: LOP-06-WI

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: Taylor Frac has submitted a Department of the Army permit application to discharge fill material into 0.58 acres of wetlands adjacent to an unnamed tributary to the Trempealeau River for the construction of a 5,500 foot long rail track extension at the Taylor Frac trans-load facility. The purpose of this project is to create a rail yard closer to the existing sand loading facilities which will decrease the loading time which in turn will decrease the traffic along the main rail line.

NAME, AREA, AND TYPES OF WATERS (INCLUDING WETLANDS) SUBJECT TO LOSS: The project would result in the discharge of fill material into 0.58 acres of wetlands adjacent to an unnamed tributary to the Trempealeau River. The wetlands that would be subject to loss as a result of this project consist of shrub-carr wetland plant communities.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: The applicant has explored a number of alternatives in an attempt to avoid and minimize impacts to wetlands. The alternatives that were included in the permit application include the following:
-Move tracks to the north- This alternative was dismissed as it would result in a loss of headroom and would fail to provide sufficient storage for the facility. In addition, this alternative would create a non-workable intersection.

-Move tracks to the east- This alternative was dismissed as it would result in the loss of headroom and would fail to provide sufficient storage to the facility. In addition, this alternative also would create a non-workable intersection.

-Change curvature- This alternative was dismissed as it would not be workable for train movements.

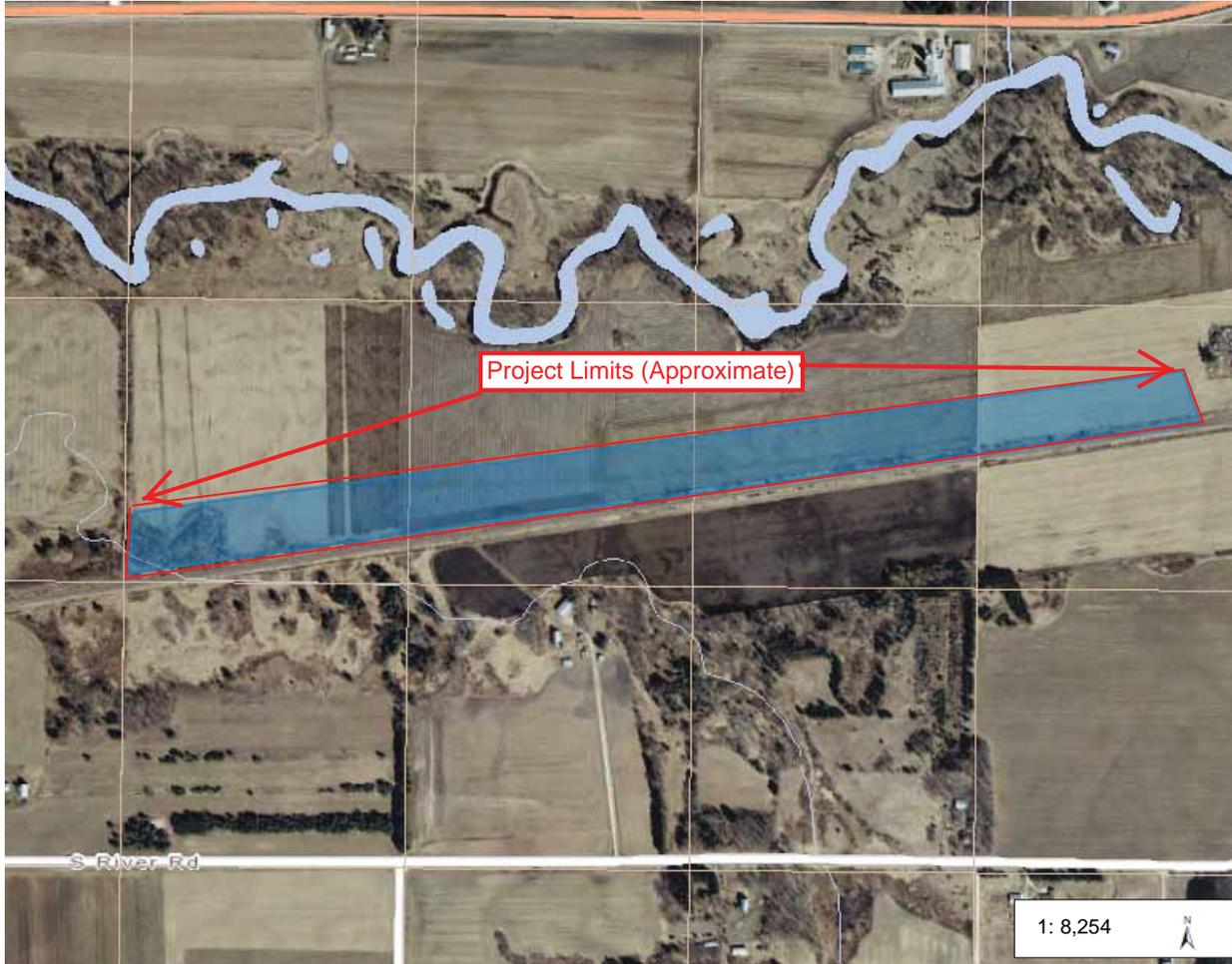
Although these alternatives were provided with the permit application, a more detailed alternatives analysis will be requested from the applicant and evaluated by USACE prior to reaching a permit decision.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION: The applicant did not include a compensatory mitigation plan in the permit application, however impacts to 0.58 acres of wetlands resulting from the proposed project would likely be mitigated through the purchase of wetland mitigation credits from an approved bank or through the purchase of wetland mitigation credits from the Wisconsin In-Lieu Fee Program.

Drawings See attached.



Taylor Frac Transload Facility Expansion



Legend

- Quarter-Quarter
- Rivers and Streams
- Open Water
- 2010 Air Photos (WROC)

Notes

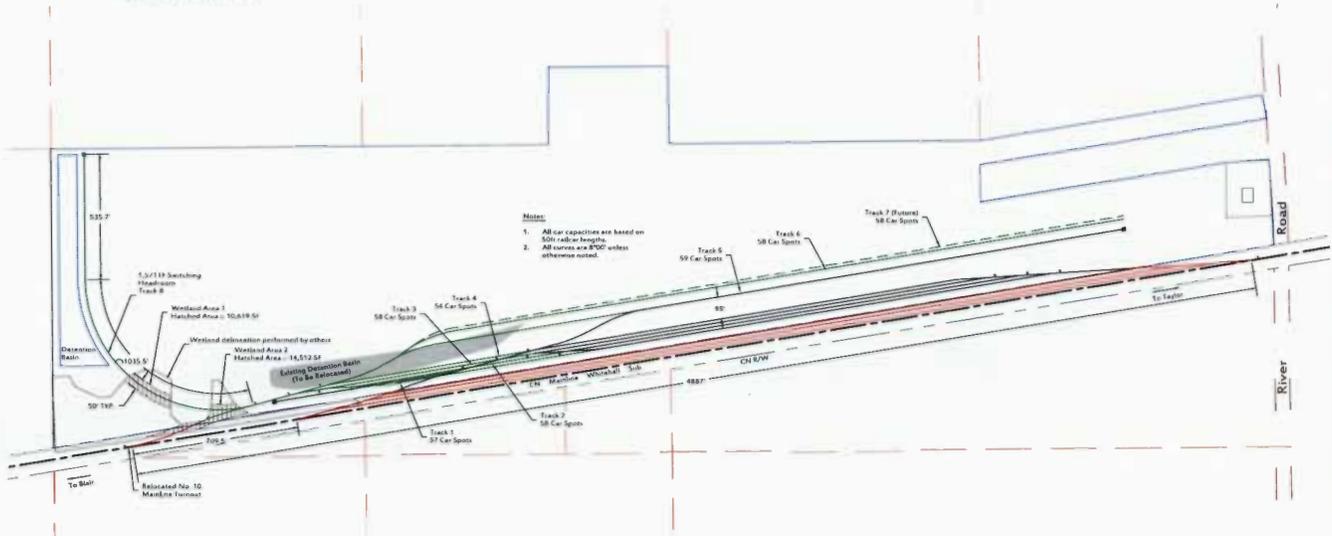
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PRELIMINARY - NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION



- Notes**
1. All car capacities are based on 60ft railcar lengths.
 2. All curves are 800' unless otherwise noted.

LEGEND

Existing Main Track	—————
Proposed CN Owned Track	—————
Proposed Industry Owned Track	—————
Future Track	—————
Existing Industry Owned track	—————
Right of Way	—————

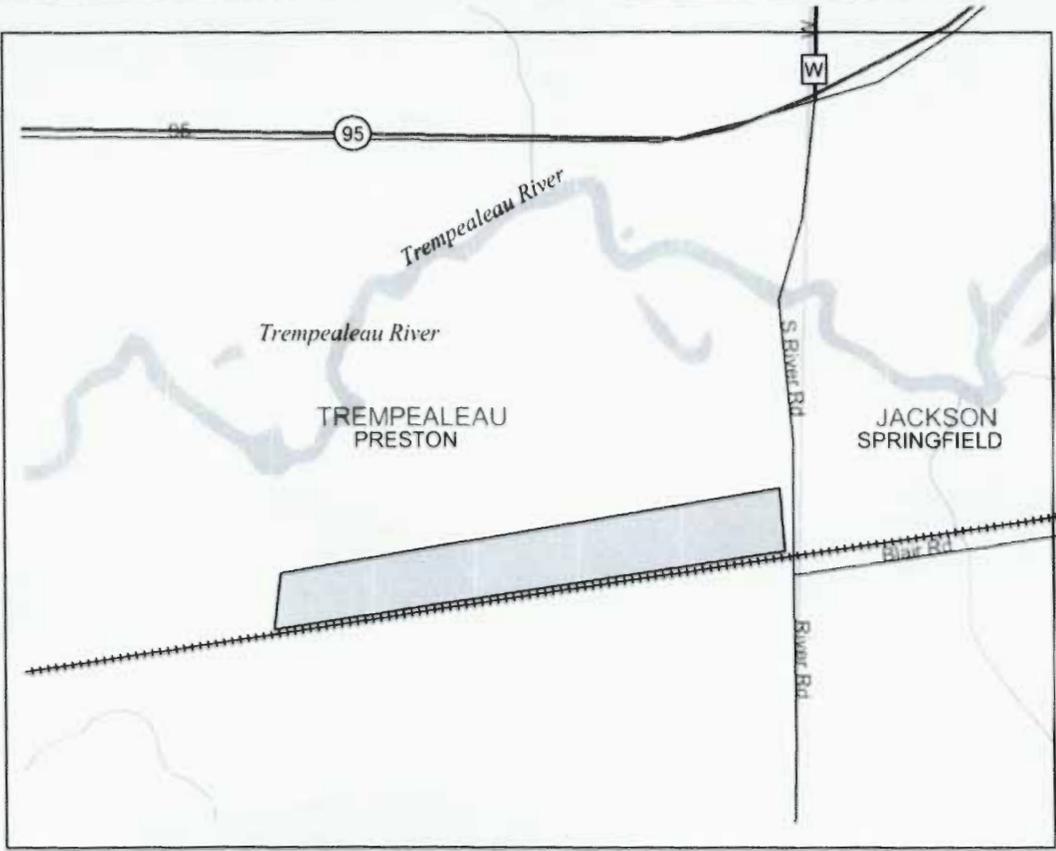
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RHPro - Transload Facility



Legend

- ↔ Railroads
- Major Highways
 - Interstate
 - State Highway
 - U.S. Highways
 - County Roads
 - Local Roads
- 24K County Boundaries
- Civil Towns
- Civil Town
- 24K Open Water
- 24K Rivers and Shorelines
 - Intermittent
 - Fluctuating
 - Perennial
- Cities and Villages
 - Village
 - City

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