

Public Notice

**U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers**
Pittsburgh District

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Notice No. below

US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District
1000 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4186

Application No. 1977-175

Date: June 9, 2015

Notice No. 15-24

Closing Date: July 9, 2015

1. **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:** The following application has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.
2. **APPLICANT:** H.L.C.J, LLC.
P.O. Box 2249
Wintersville, Ohio 43953
3. **LOCATION:** Ohio River, Right Descending Bank, River Mile 65.5, Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio. Latitude: 40.382296° North, Longitude: -80.622078° West.
4. **PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** The applicant proposes to modify and extend their existing general services barge loading and offloading site. The current barge loading and offloading dock was permitted and constructed in the 1970's. The constructed dock was constructed by sinking and embedding of a 176 foot long by 26 foot wide hopper barge and placing a second barge of the same length and width on top of it. The objective of modifying the current dock is to better stabilize the riverbank and the existing barge dock and to be able to handle the loading and offloading of 2 barges at a time.

As a result of the proposed work impacts to the Ohio River will occur. Permanent impacts to the Ohio River will include constructing a 276 linear foot (LF) interlocking sheet metal wall, encapsulating the current barge dock. Attached to the upstream and downstream of the 276 LF wall will be two 60 foot wing walls, each measuring approximately 5000 square feet. Both wing walls will be backfilled with approximately 2,500 cubic yards of porous material. Drawings of the proposed dock are attached to this notice.

5. **WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** A Permit will not be granted until Water Quality Certification is received or waived from:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)
Section 401 Coordinator
PO Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43266-0149
Telephone Number: 614-644-2001

6. IMPACT ON NATURAL RESOURCES: The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect endangered species or threatened species, or result in destruction or adverse modification of habitat of such species which has been determined to be critical. This Public Notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1972 (as amended). If the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurs with the may affect, not likely to adversely affect determination please respond with written concurrence.

7. IMPACT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES: The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted, and it has been determined that there are no properties currently listed on the register which would be directly affected by the proposed work. If we are made aware, as a result of comments received in response to this notice, or by other means, of specific archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical sites or structures which might be affected by the proposed work, the District Engineer will immediately take the appropriate action necessary pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 - Public Law 89-665 as amended (including Public Law 96-515).

8. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in the paragraph below entitled "RESPONSES," that a public hearing be held to consider this application. The requests for public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

9. EVALUATION: Interested parties are invited to state any objections they may have to the proposed work. The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposals must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal 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, flood plain 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; Indian 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 overall public interest of the proposed activity. The evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, under the authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).

10. RESPONSES: A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest. Written statements concerning the proposed activity should be received in this office on or before the closing date of this Public Notice in order to become a part of the record and to be considered in the final determination. Any objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested DA Permit. All responses to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Branch, attn George Brkovich at the above address, by telephoning (412) 395-7247, or by e-mail at george.r.brkovich@usace.army.mil. Please refer to CELRP-OP-F 1977-175 in all responses.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:


// SIGNED //

Scott A. Hans
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Vicinity Map

Revision 1 11/18/14



Proposed Dock Extension 
 for H.L.C.J., LLC.
 Vicinity Map

Untitled Map

Write a description for your map.

5/15/2012

2012

WINGWALL
60 FOOT

PROPOSED EXTENSION

PROPOSED 276 LINEAR FOOT DOCK

EXISTING DOCK
(EMBEDDED BARGES)

PROPOSED EXTENSION

WINGWALL
60 FOOT

ROADWAY

Google earth

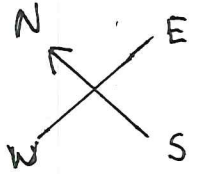
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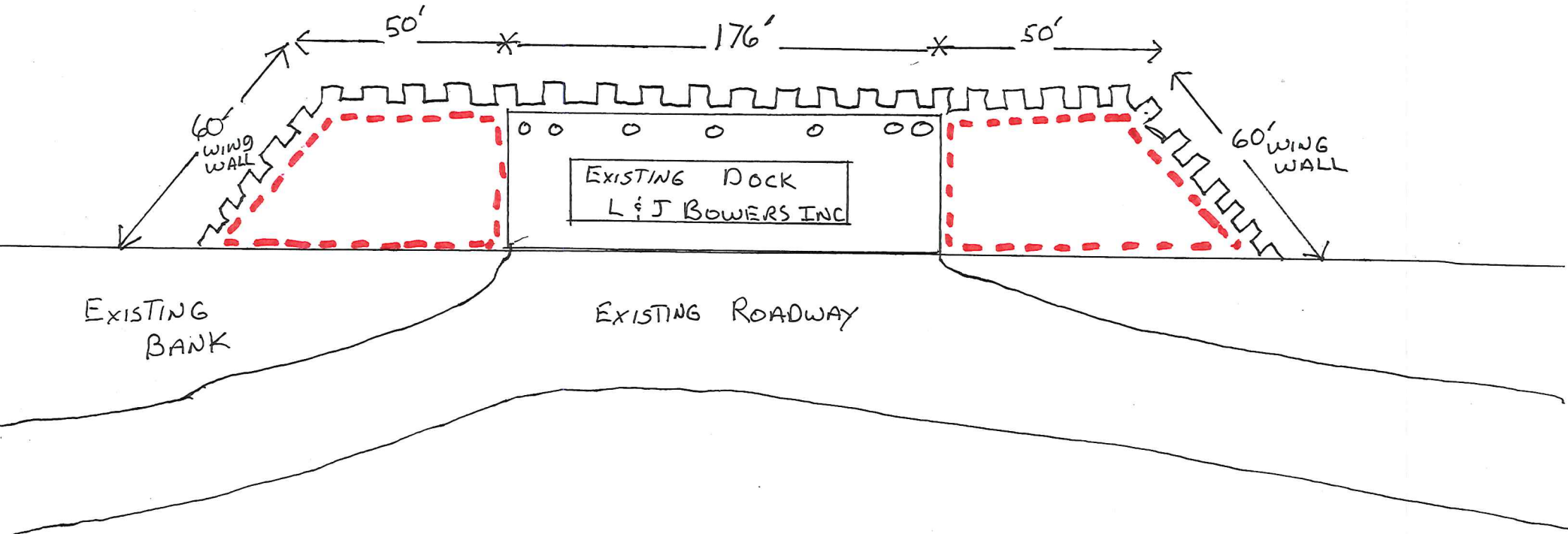
OHIO RIVER
MILE 65.5
RIGHT DESCENDING BANK

PROPOSED DOCK EXTENSION H.L.C.J, LLC.

PLAN VIEW



Flow



 **FILL AREA**
APPROX 6000 TON
OF POROUS BACKFILL

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CROSS SECTION MAP

