

## **Appendix H**

### **NHPA Consultation (NJDEP SHPO)**

## James M. Rutala Associates, LLC

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**Sent via email and regular mail**

October 24, 2017

Katherine J. Marcopul, Administrator  
NJDEP, Historic Preservation Office  
501 E State Street, Building 5, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Mail Code 501-04B; PO Box 420  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420

**Re: National Fish & Wildlife Foundation Grant  
USDOT, National Boating Infrastructure Grant  
Somers Point, New Jersey**

Dear Ms. Marcopul:

The City of Somers Point has applied for dredging permits to build a transient marina and to use the materials to construct an embankment along Somers Point – Mays Landing Road. The dredging is funded with a National Fish & Wildlife (NFWF) Grant and a National Boating Infrastructure Grant. NFWF funding will also be used to build the embankment which will provide resiliency from future storm events and environmental uplift.

We are requesting expedited SHPO review of these projects in accordance with federal funding requirements since construction of this project needs to start in December 2017.

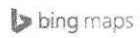
If you need any additional information to complete your review, please let us know.

Regards,  
**Rutala Associates**



James M. Rutala, PP, AICP, MBA

cc: Greg Schneider, City Engineer



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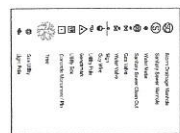
Proposed Transient Marina  
Higbee Avenue  
Somers Point, NJ




Data from: Wikipedia

PROJECT  
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		Job No. <b>7031.8</b>
SHEET <b>SITE</b>	ERO <b>3</b>	TOTAL <b>4</b>

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State Board of Professional Engineers & Land Surveyors  
Certificate of Authorization No. GA 279020

Date	5/1/17
Approved JAM	Date 5/1/17

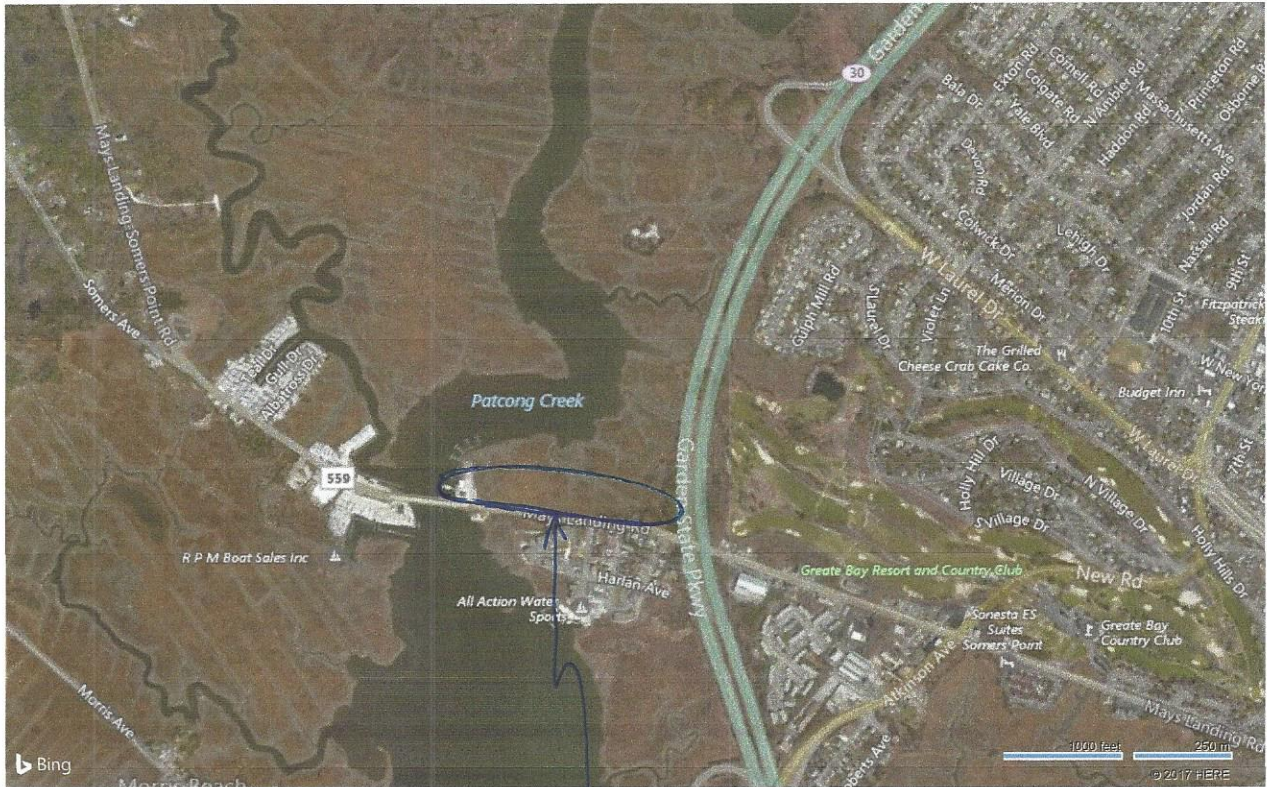
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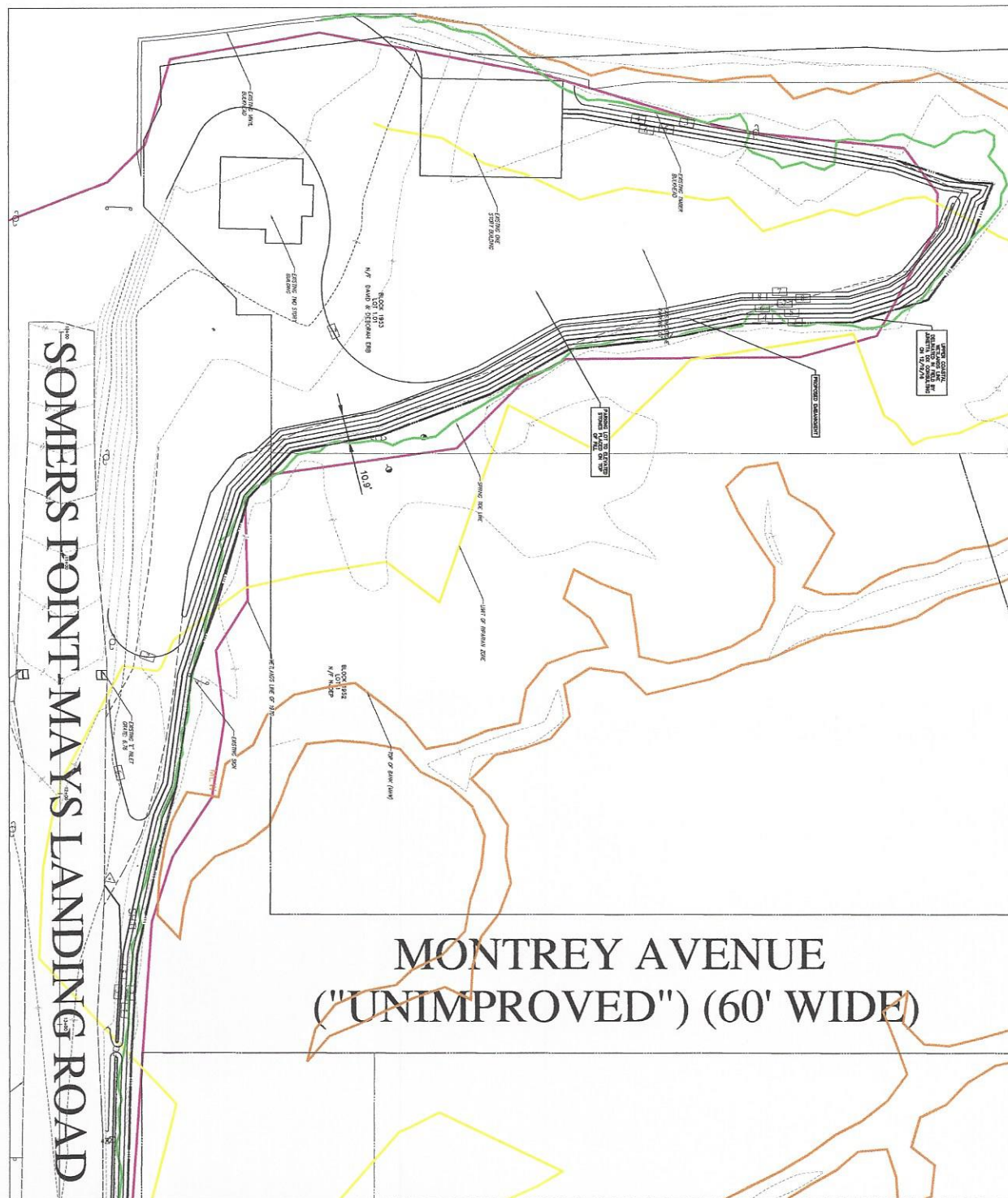
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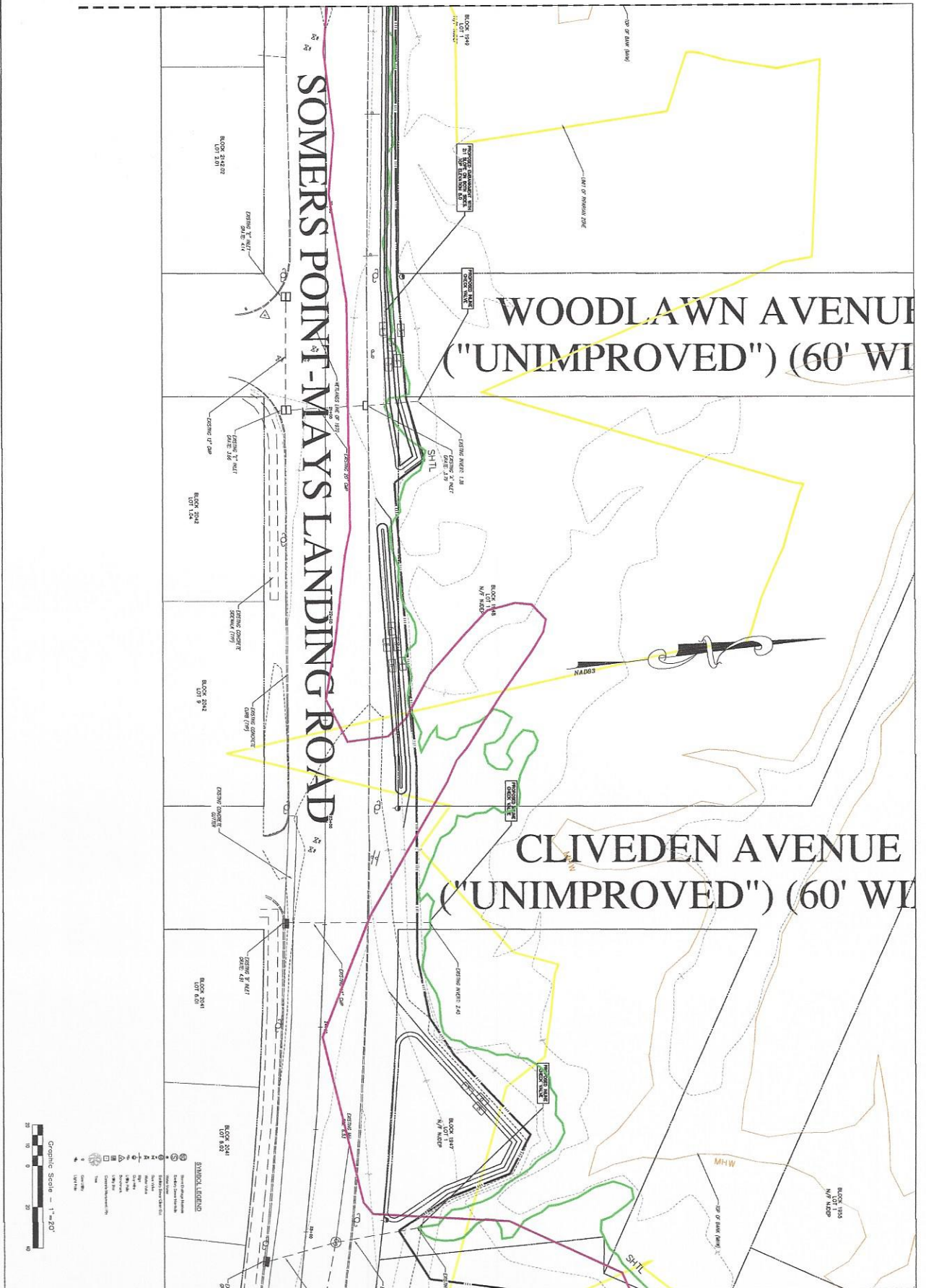


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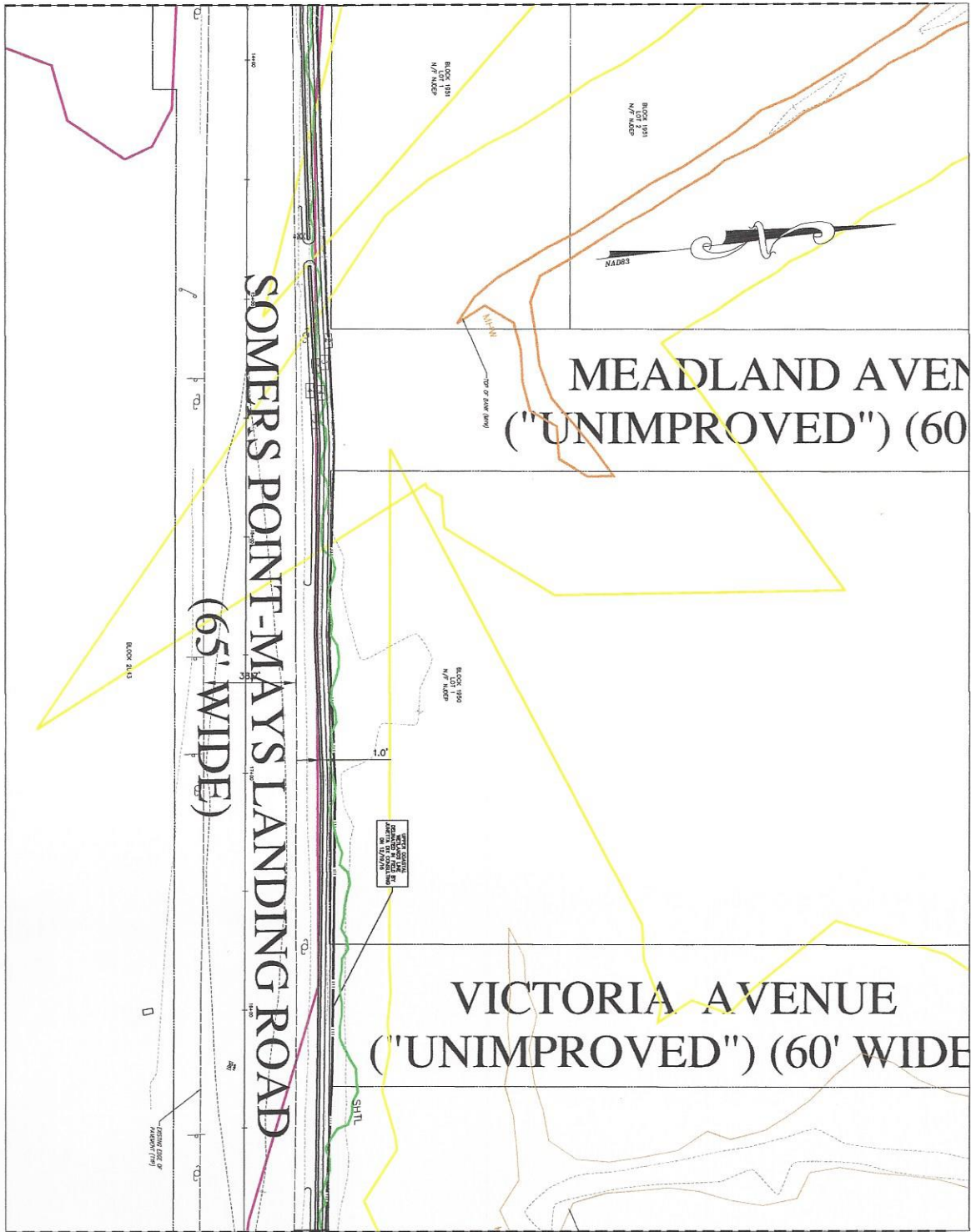
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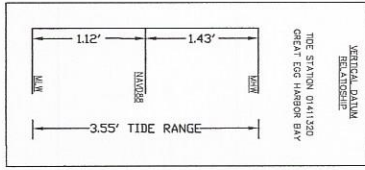





MATCHLINE - SHEET 8

ILLUSTRATION NOT TO SCALE



- SYMBOL LEGEND**
- Proposed Embankment
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  - Proposed Utility
  - Proposed Structure
  - Proposed Fencing
  - Proposed Signage
  - Proposed Lighting
  - Proposed Stormwater Management
  - Proposed Erosion Control
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  - Proposed Softscaping
  - Proposed Site Preparation
  - Proposed Construction
  - Proposed Maintenance
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  - Proposed Project Summary
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  - Proposed Project Objectives
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7/23/18		City of Somers Point Atlantic County, New Jersey	Resiliency Project	Grading & Site Plan		MOTT ASSOCIATES, LLC CONSULTING ENGINEERS & PLANNERS 3122 Fire Road Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey 08234 Phone: (609) 569-1531 Fax: (609) 569-1521	James A. Mott Professional Engineer & Land Surveyor New Jersey License No. 29918		Date 5/1/17	Designed GKS Drawn GKS Checked JAM Approved JAM Date 5/1/17	10/20/17	Revised	per NJDEP Comments		
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REPLY TO: ☒ Egg Harbor Township Office  
☐ Ocean City Office

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Robert A. Watkins, PE, PP, CME, CFM  
Gregory K. Schneider, PE, PP, PLS, CME, CFM  
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November 17, 2017

Mr. Vincent Maresca  
Senior Historic Preservation Specialist  
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Mail Code 501-04B  
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**Re: Reconstruction of Higbee Marina**  
**CENAP-OP-R-2015-1060-24**  
**Somers Point**  
**Atlantic County, New Jersey**  
**M.A. # 7031.8**

Dear Mr. Maresca:

Enclosed please find enclosed the following documentation for review of the above referenced project:

1. One (1) copy of the Application for Project Authorization Under the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act
2. One (1) copy of a letter stating that the City of Somers Point is aware an application to HPO is being submitted from this office.
3. One (1) complete list of Local Historical Societies, Local Preservation Commissions and property owners within 200' feet of the project. No other local government units or any statewide or local organization specifically concerned with historic preservation are in the area of the project.
4. One (1) copy of the USGS Location Map and Tax Map.
5. One (1) copy of photographs of the site.
6. Two (2) copies of the Site plans,
7. Specifications have not been finalized but are proposed to be similar to other marina located nearby.
8. One (1) copy of the Bay Front District Registration Form.

An archeological survey is not proposed for this project because ground disturbance from the proposed maintenance dredging is unlikely to disturb any archeological resources due to the fact that the site has already been dredged numerous times in the past.



If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,

MOTT ASSOCIATES, LLC

Gregory K. Schneider, PE, PP, PLS, CME  
City Engineer





# Application for Project Authorization Under the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act

NJ Department of Environmental Protection • Natural & Historic Resources • Historic Preservation Office

Date 11/16/17

Applicant City of Somers Point

State, County, or Municipal agency or instrumentality thereof, applying for authorization.

**Note:** If an application is being submitted by an authorized representative on behalf of a public agency, written authorization from the public agency must be submitted with the application.

Project Name Reconstruction of Higbee Marina

Contact Person(s) Wes Swain, City Administrator

Address 1 West New Jersey Avenue

Telephone 609-927-9088 x 128 FAX 609-926-3016 E-mail wswain@spgov.org

(FOR HPO USE ONLY) Technically and Professionally Complete Date \_\_\_\_\_

## New Jersey Register Listed Property Affected by Project

Name of listed Property or Historic District Bay Front Historic District

Address of listed property 198 Higbee Avenue

Block # 1612 Lot # 2.01

Municipality Somers Point County Atlantic County

## **A.** Required Documentation

Please enclose the documentation listed below as required by N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.1 (d). The required documentation, taken with the project description, must be sufficient to completely describe the proposed undertaking. When using attachments, please label using the letters and numbers (e.g., A.1.c.) as listed herein.

1. Complete lists (include addresses) of:

a. Local historical societies

b. Local historic preservation commissions

c. All public and private property owners of registered property directly affected by the project. N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.1(d) stipulates that this list shall be the list of all private and public property owners (including right-of-way owners) named in the official municipal tax records and maps as of the date of the application's submission and shall be notarized by the appropriate municipal official. This list is not the list of property owners within 200 feet of the project; (although submission of that list would be acceptable) it is the list of owners of registered properties which are directly physically impacted by the project.

- d. All affected local government units, any agencies or instrumentalities thereof concerned with historic preservation, and any statewide organization and local organization specifically concerned with historic preservation in the area of the undertaking's potential impact.

**Applications which do not include these four lists are not complete and cannot be reviewed until this information is received.**

2. Maps
3. Photographs, both of the overall project area and of specific project work areas. Photographs should be labeled as to location and keyed to a plan sheet. (Although optional, slides may augment the application and facilitate the presentation to the Historic Sites Council of a project that is an encroachment.) Photographs should be labeled identifying site location and keyed to architectural or engineering plans.
4. Complete architectural or engineering plans-including a site plan (2 sets)
5. Specifications (1 set)
6. Proposed agreements (easements, lease, deed, covenant etc.) applicable to the undertaking.
7. If the application proposes demolition of all or a substantial portion of a property, the application shall include a structural assessment and an evaluation of whether the property could be reasonably repaired, to be prepared by an architect or engineer with demonstrated experience with historic properties.
8. If the application proposes relocation of a New Jersey Register listed property, information and documentation required in N.J.A.C. 7:4-3.2(c) must also be submitted.

## **B. Project Description**

Please describe the proposed undertaking in full detail. Where functional or programmatic constraints call for changes to historic configurations, those constraints should be explained very clearly. (Use lettered attachments when necessary.)

The pier at Higbee Avenue, which was purchased by the City in 1993, was in disrepair at the time of purchase and has never been renovated. This is due in great part to the fact that the waters there are extremely shallow. Currently, a portion of that pier is leased to a commercial "day fisher" boat known as the Duke of Fluke. This pontoon boat is the only type of boat that can utilize the facility, due to the shallow waters. At this time, this is the only feasible method of utilizing this facility for public access.

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Since that operation is highly utilized and successful, it would be the City's intention to continue to provide docking space for one pontoon-type "day fishing" boat at the Higbee Avenue Pier. By rebuilding Higbee Pier and adding a floating dock, it would be the City's intention to provide approximately 22 docking spaces for boats of 26 feet or more in length with a 14 foot width of which 20 will be dedicated to use by transient boaters. Integral to this project would be dredging, since, without that being done, these facilities would not be accessible to boats of that size. Full funding for the necessary dredging in this area is secure.

The project includes pump out facilities (housings will be dark brown or dark grey) water, and electric hookups.

One of the transient slips will be reserved for emergency purposes, since Shore Medical Center is less than 1/8th of a mile from this location. Hence, 20 of the 22 boat slips proposed at this location will be dedicated for transient use in accordance with the National Boating Infrastructure Grant guidelines.



## **C. Statement of Purpose**

Please state the need and/or purpose for the proposed undertaking. Address the public benefit of the proposed project. (Use lettered attachments when necessary)

The Somers Point Master Plan stresses the importance of adding a transient marina at Higbee Pier. This improvement is seen as a critical element of the economic revitalization of the Somers Point and the Bay Avenue area.

There is a lack of transient boat slips along the New Jersey coast, with the most prominent sites being at the harbor in Cape May City and Farley Marina in Atlantic City. This marina will provide a logical mid-point between these two sites. Several fine marinas are located in Somers Point, which provide ample opportunity for permanent boat slips. There are, however, relatively few slips available for transient boaters. This is not only problematic for boaters who are in route between destinations, but also boaters who wish to use their boats as a means of transportation to the many amenities that Somers Point provides, all in close proximity to the pier at Higbee Avenue.

## **D. Alternatives/Mitigation**

Please describe alternatives (or actions taken) that would avoid, reduce, or mitigate any encroachment of the project on the affected New Jersey Register listed property. Discuss feasibility and prudence of alternatives. (Use lettered attachments when necessary.)

Since the existing Marina is currently at the end of its useful life, the only alternative would be no action, which will cause the marina to continue to deteriorate. This option is not preferred as it would be a loss to public access of the Bay. The marina is proposed to be reconstructed in a similar configuration it was historically existed.

## **E. Project Funding**

Please list sources of funding, including federal funds.

National Boating Infrastructure Grant  
NFWF Ecological Solutions Grant

## **F. Permits**

Please list permits needed for the proposed project, including any necessary federal permits, licenses or approvals.

NJDEP Waterfront Development Permit  
United States Army Corps of Engineers Permit

## OTHER INFORMATION

The following information may also be needed depending on the nature of the project:

- ARCHAEOLOGY:** If an archaeological survey or other pertinent survey has been undertaken for this project, it must be included with the application. In all cases, when a professional archaeological survey is not included with (or proposed in) the application and the project will include ground disturbance, the rationale for not conducting survey must be enclosed. This rationale for all areas of potential ground disturbance should include detailed documentation of known prior uses (both modern and historic) and prior disturbances. Areas of potential ground disturbance include construction staging areas, areas of grading, etc. on the New Jersey Register listed property.
- CIVIL ENGINEERING  
(PARTICULARLY  
ROAD & BRIDGE PROJECTS):** Data which informs the basis of the project's design such as: existing road limitations, traffic counts/studies, road classification, design speeds, design hourly volume, and predicted levels of service. Please provide specific references to the relevant AASHTO design tables. May include an Alternatives Analysis Report.
- CODE:** Where a code requirement affects the treatment of historic features or spaces, please provide specific reference to the section of the code involved and indicate if flexible application of the code for historic buildings as allowed by the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code has been sought or granted.
- ECONOMICS:** If economic factors affect an aspect of the project or the design of a project as a whole, a detailed and documented breakdown of the costs involved should be attached to the application.
- ENGINEERING:** If engineering concerns such as structural stability or load bearing capacity, etc. affect the project's impact on the historic property, engineering reports, prepared by an engineer with demonstrated experience working with similar historic resources, should be attached to the application.

## LIST OF ALL DOCUMENTS

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## REVIEW PROCESS

Applications are submitted to the Historic Preservation Office (HPO). Within 30 days, the HPO will evaluate the application for technical and professional completeness. Faxed copies of applications do not formally initiate project review. Within 45 days of receipt of a technically complete application, HPO will determine if the project constitutes an encroachment and notify the applicant accordingly. If the HPO determines that a project does not constitute an encroachment (that the project is in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties), the application is approved administratively by the HPO and does not require review before the Historic Sites Council. A project which constitutes an encroachment is scheduled for an upcoming Historic Sites Council meeting, and the applicant is so notified. The Historic Sites Council makes a recommendation in the form of a formal resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection. The Commissioner must act within 120 days of receipt of a technically complete application. When the applicant has tight project schedules and deadlines to meet, the HPO strongly encourages early submission of applications.



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**From:** Maresca, Vincent [mailto:[Vincent.Maresca@dep.nj.gov](mailto:Vincent.Maresca@dep.nj.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 09, 2017 10:36 AM  
**To:** [jmrutala@comcast.net](mailto:jmrutala@comcast.net)  
**Cc:** Baratta, Meghan <[Meghan.Baratta@dep.nj.gov](mailto:Meghan.Baratta@dep.nj.gov)>; [donnajmohr@comcast.net](mailto:donnajmohr@comcast.net)  
**Subject:** Somers Point National Boating Infrastructure Grant/ HPO Project No. 17-1846

HPO Project No. 17-1846-2

HPO-K2017-089

Hello Mr. Rutala,

The Historic Preservation Office (HPO) has received your request for expedited review of the new Higbee marina, dredging, and embankment in Somers Point City. As the project is located within the Bay Front Historic District which is listed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places, Somers Point City is required to submit an application for project authorization to this office for the marine and dredging project component pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act. If you are submitting the application, please include a letter or email from the City that they understand you are submitting the application on their behalf. The application and information on the Act is available on our website here: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/hpo/2protection/njrreview.htm>

I have also copied Donna Mohr of the Somers Point Historic Preservation Commission as the HPO is interested in their comment on the project.

Please find attached HPO guidance on USF&WS boating infrastructure grant funded projects (attached L2013-070) regarding the color of the new pump out structures. Please address in the application how your project meets this guidance.

Finally, the HPO has previously provided comment to the Department regarding the embankment portion of the project (see attached G2017-054).

Please let me know if you have any questions and I look forward to receiving the application for project authorization for technical completely and encroachment review. Regards,

**Vincent Maresca, M.A. | Senior Historic Preservation Specialist | Historic Preservation Office**

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**2 attachments**

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 **G2017-054.pdf**  
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**Greg Schneider** <[greg@mottassociates.net](mailto:greg@mottassociates.net)>  
To: Rutala Associates <[jmrutala@comcast.net](mailto:jmrutala@comcast.net)>

Thu, Nov 9, 2017 at 6:34 PM

Jim,

Technically the marina is out of the historic district because the water isn't included but the intent is to include it. I will submit the application tomorrow.

Greg

Sent from my iPhone

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## Maresca, Vincent

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**From:** Maresca, Vincent  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 11, 2017 1:28 PM  
**To:** Logan, Lindsey  
**Cc:** Baratta, Meghan  
**Subject:** RE: Somers Point NFWF Project GP24 Application file# 0121-17-0003.1 CZM170001 - Expedited Review Requested

HPO Project No. 17-1846-1  
HPO-G2017-054

Atlantic County, Somers Point City  
Flood Protection Resiliency Berm Project  
DLUR File # 0121-17-0003.1

Hello Vivian,

Thank you for providing the Historic Preservation Office (HPO) with the opportunity for review and comment on the potential for the above-referenced project to affect historic and archaeological resources. The extreme eastern limit of the project is located within the Garden State Parkway Historic District (SHPO Opinion 10/12/2001). The project as proposed will have no visual effect on this elevated section of the Parkway.

Based on the tidal marsh setting, construction methods, and lack of any archaeological evidence in an adjacent Phase I archaeological survey (HPO Report ATL C 223), the project as proposed has a low potential to impact any terrestrial archaeological resources. Therefore, the HPO does not recommend the need for any architectural or archaeological surveys for this project prior to any permit issuance.

Thank you again for providing the opportunity to review and comment on the potential for the above-referenced project to affect historic and archaeological resources. Please reference HPO Project No. 17-1846 in any future communications or submissions. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Regards,

**Vincent Maresca, M.A. | Senior Historic Preservation Specialist | Historic Preservation Office**

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**From:** Logan, Lindsey

**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 3:43 PM

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<Jessica.Patterson@dep.nj.gov>; Davis, Kelly <Kelly.Davis@dep.nj.gov>

**Subject:** Somers Point NFWF Project GP24 Application file# 0121-17-0003.1 CZM170001 - Expedited Review Requested

Hi All,

I am reviewing the above application for the proposed construction of a berm along Somers Point-Mays Landing Road in Somers Point City, Atlantic County. The project is receiving grant funding from NFWF so they are on a tight timeframe. I have attached some information about the project to this email. I will be forwarding the plans in a separate email. If you could review and provide me with your comments as soon as possible, it would be much appreciated.

Thanks in advance!

Lindsey

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New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection  
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November 28, 2017

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**Atlantic County, Somers Point City  
Bay Front Historic District (SR: 2/9/1989; NR: 3/23/1989)  
198 Higbee Avenue (Block 1612, Lot 2.01)  
Higbee Marine Reconstruction  
CENAP-OP-R-2015-1060-24  
Application for Project Authorization Pursuant  
to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act**

Dear Mr. Schneider:

Upon review, the Application for Project Authorization pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act was technically and professionally complete and sufficient pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.1(d), on November 20, 2017. The Historic Preservation Office (HPO) has determined that the project as proposed is in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation*. Therefore, the project will **not constitute an encroachment upon the Bay Front Historic District** which is listed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.2(d), the project may proceed as documented.

The HPO appreciates your participation in the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Act review process. Please reference the HPO project number 17-1846 in any future calls, emails, submissions, or written correspondence in order to expedite our review and response. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vincent Maresca of my staff at (609) 633-2395 or [vincent.maresca@dep.nj.gov](mailto:vincent.maresca@dep.nj.gov).

Sincerely,

Meghan MacWilliams Baratta  
Supervisor

c. Wes Swain, City of Somers Point  
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