

# PUBLIC NOTICE

**US Army Corps  
Of Engineers**  
Rock Island District

Applicant: Mr. John W. Goff

Date: October 8, 2004  
Expires: October 28, 2004

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Section 10/404

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**Joint Public Notice  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency**

1. Applicant. Mr. John W. Goff, 14000 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, Taylor Ridge, Illinois 61284.
2. Project Location. Mississippi River, left bank, approximate river mile 471.4, in Section 29, Township 17 North, Range 3 West, near Andalusia, Rock Island, County, Illinois.
3. Project Description. The applicant proposes to excavate an existing harbor area. The applicant's stated purpose of the project is to rehabilitate an existing harbor for recreational use. An area approximately 100 feet long and 30 feet wide will be mechanically dredged to a depth of 4.5 feet. The dredge spoil will be temporarily dewatered adjacent to the harbor and utilized to either restore the eroded harbor banks on a 2 to 1 slope or trucked away and disposed of in an upland site. Maintenance dredging will occur on an as needed basis. The material will be disposed of in an upland site.
4. Agency Review.
  - a. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers. The Department of the Army application is being processed under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).
  - b. State of Illinois.
    - (1) The applicant has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) for water quality certification, or waiver thereof, for the proposed activity in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. Certification or waiver indicates that IEPA believes the activity will not violate applicable water quality standards. The review by the IEPA is conducted in accordance with the Illinois water quality standards under 35 Illinois Administrative Code Subtitle C. The water quality standards provide for the IEPA to review individual projects by providing an antidegradation assessment, which includes an evaluation of alternatives to any proposed increase in pollutant loading that may result from this activity. The "Fact Sheet" containing the antidegradation assessment for this proposed project may be found on the IEPA's web site, at [www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/](http://www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/). In the event that the IEPA is unable to publish the "Fact Sheet" corresponding to the timeframe of this Joint Public Notice, a separate public notice and "Fact Sheet" will be published by the IEPA at the web site identified above. You may also obtain a copy of the "Fact Sheet" by contacting the IEPA at the address or telephone number shown below. Written comments specifically concerning possible impacts to water quality should be addressed to: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Bureau of Water, Watershed Management Section, 1021 N. Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. A copy of the written comments should be provided to the Corps of Engineers. If you have any questions please contact IEPA at (217) 782-3362.
5. Historical/Archaeological. The Corps consulted with the District geographic information systems (GIS) archeological site and survey databases current as of May 2004. The query determined that there were no previously recorded archeological sites within the permit area and that the area had not been surveyed. The permit area is located on the currently active channel and immediately adjacent floodplain of an unnamed tributary of Dibble Creek where all impacts are judged by the Corps to be limited to recent alluvium with little or no potential for historic properties. Therefore, it is the opinion of the Corps that issuance of the permit will have no effect on historic properties because "the nature, scope, and magnitude of the work, and/or structures to be permitted are such that there is little likelihood that a historic property exists or may be affected" (33 CFR Part 325, Appendix C.3.b).

6. Endangered Species. District staff has performed a preliminary review of this application for the potential impact on threatened or endangered species pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. Based upon the information provided and available at this time, our preliminary determination is that the proposed activity would have no effect on federally-listed endangered or threatened species or critical habitat. While no consultation has been initiated with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) at this time, we are further coordinating this application with the FWS and the respective resource agencies through this public notice. Accordingly, our preliminary determination is subject to change should further information become available.

7. Dredge/Fill Material Guidelines. The evaluation of the impact of the proposed activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).

8. Public Interest Review. The decision whether to issue the Corps 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 proposal 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, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

9. Who Should Reply. 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 need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. These statements should be submitted on or before the expiration date specified at the top of page 1. These statements should bear upon the adequacy of plans and suitability of locations and should, if appropriate, suggest any changes considered desirable.

10. Public Hearing Requests. Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. A request may be denied if substantive reasons for holding a hearing are not provided.

11. Reply to the Corps. Comments concerning the Corps permit should be addressed to the District Engineer, US Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, ATTN: OD-P, Clock Tower Building - Post Office Box 2004, Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004. **Mr. John G. Betker (309/794-5380)** may be contacted for additional information.

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John G. Betker  
Project Manager  
Regulatory Branch

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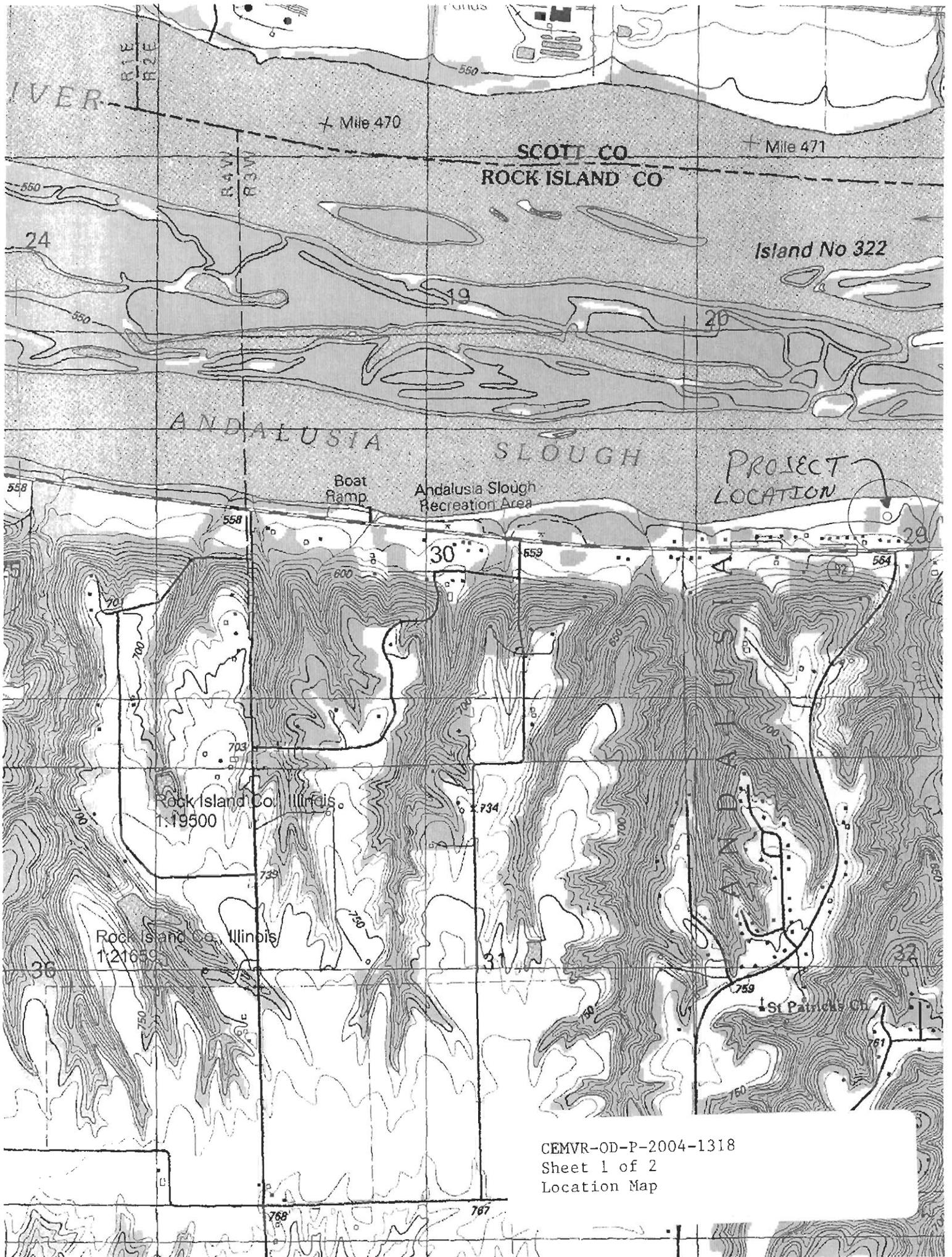
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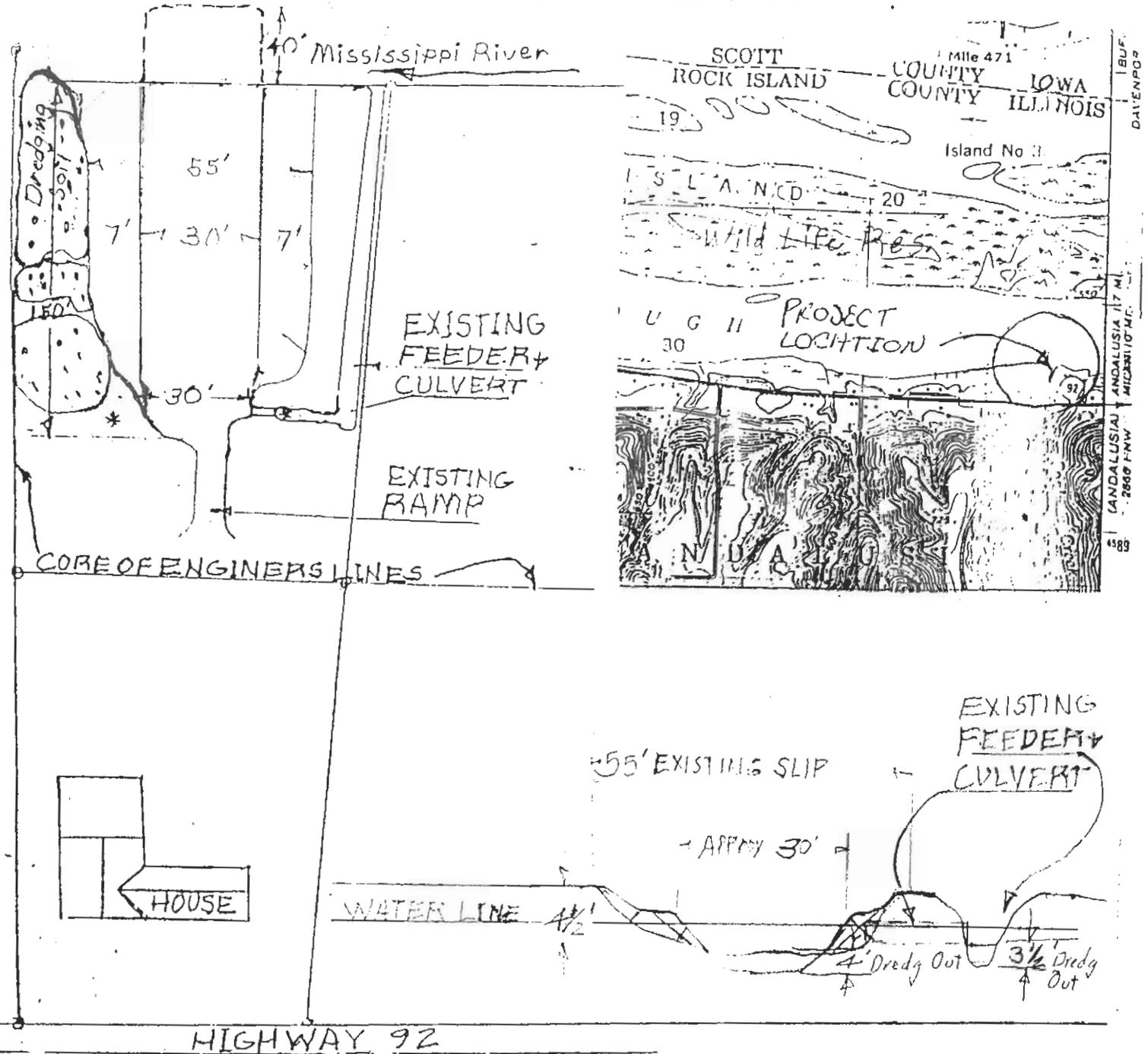
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Location Map



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 Location Map, Plan View, and  
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LIST OF ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS		
NO.	NAME	ADDRESS
1.	GARY MARTY	14003 78TH AVE WEST TAYLOR RIDGE, IL 61284
2.	STAR CROSS REALTY	1830 2ND AVE SUITE 150 ROCK ISLAND, IL 61201
3.	KENNETH KAISER	7815 140TH STREET WEST TAYLOR RIDGE, IL 61284

PROJECT DESCRIPTION  
 GOFF BOAT SLIP  
 MAINTENANCE PROJECT

LOCATION:  
 JOHN GOFF  
 RT. 92, 2 M. WEST OF  
 ANDALUSIA, IL

DATE Sept. 6 2004