

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CORPS OF ENGINEERS JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT, 4400 PGA BOULEVARD, SUITE 500 PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA 33410

February 20, 2020

Regulatory Division South Branch Palm Beach Gardens Permits Section SAJ-2016-01427(GP-JKA)

Mark Kabbes 4304 Intracoastal Drive Highland Beach, FL 33487 mkabbes@seakayconstruction.com

Dear Mr. Kabbes:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) assigned your application for a Department of the Army permit, which the Corps received on December 10, 2020, the file number SAJ-2016-01427. A review of the information and drawings provided indicates that the proposed work would result in install an 8 foot by 6 foot elevator lift attached to the existing dock. The activities subject to this permit are authorized pursuant to authorities under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 403). The project is located within the Intracoastal Waterway, Waters of the United States, adjacent to 4304 Intracoastal Drive, Section 4, Township, 47 South, Range 43 East, Highland Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

Your project, as depicted on the enclosed drawings, is authorized by Regional General Permit (GP) SAJ-20. This authorization is valid until **March 27, 2023**. Please access the Corps' Jacksonville District Regulatory Division Internet page to view the special and general conditions for SAJ-20, which apply specifically to this authorization. The Internet URL address is:

http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx

Please be aware this Internet address is case sensitive; and, you will need to enter it exactly as it appears above. Once there you will need to click on "Source Book"; and, then click on "General Permits." Then you will need to click on the specific SAJ permit noted above. You must comply with all of the special and general conditions of the permit; and, any project-specific conditions noted below, or you may be subject to enforcement action. The following project-specific conditions are included with this authorization:

- Reporting Address: The Permittee shall submit all reports, notifications, documentation and correspondence required by the general and special conditions of this permit to either (not both) of the following addresses:
 - a. For electronic mail (preferred): SAJ-RD-Enforcement@usace.army.mil (not to exceed 15 MB).
 - b. For standard mail: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019.

The Permittee shall reference this permit number, SAJ-2016-01427 (GP-JKA), on all submittals.

- Commencement Notification: Within 10 days from the date of initiating the work authorized by this permit the Permittee shall submit a completed "Commencement Notification" Form (Attachment 2).
- 3. Consent to Easement: A portion of the authorized work may be located within the Federal right-of-way for identify Federal project and would require a Department of the Army Consent to Easement. By copy of this permit, the proposal is being forwarded to the Corps' Real Estate Division for action on the Consent to Easement. Failure to obtain the Consent to Easement or waiver invalidates this authorization. The Real Estate Division is responsible for issuing the Consent to Easement. Contact with Real Estate for questions or status updates can done at Post Office Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019 or by telephone at 904-232-3727.
- 4. As-Built Certification with X-Y Coordinates: Within 60 days of completion of the authorized work or at the expiration of the construction window of this permit, whichever occurs first, the Permittee shall submit as-built drawings of the authorized work and complete the enclosed As-Built Certification Form to the Corps. The drawings shall be signed and sealed by a Florida registered professional engineer or a professional land surveyor registered in the state of Florida confirming the actual location of all authorized work/structures with respect to the Federal channel and within the Federal easement and include the following:
 - a. A plan view drawing of the location of the authorized work footprint (as shown on the permit drawings) with an overlay of the work as constructed in the same scale as the attached permit drawings (8½-inch by 11-inch). The drawings shall include the X & Y State Plane coordination points of the most waterward point of the structure. The drawings shall include the dimensions of the structure, depth of water (at mean low water) at the

- waterward end of the structure, and the distance from the waterward end of the structure to the near design edge of the Federal channel.
- b. List of any deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. In the event the completed work deviates, in any manner, from the authorized work, describe on the As-Built Certification Form the deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. Clearly indicate on the as-built drawings any deviations that have been listed. Please note the depiction and/or description of any deviations on the drawings and/or As-Built Certification Form does not constitute approval of any deviations by the Corps.
- c. The Department of the Army Permit number.
- 5. Assurance of Navigation and Maintenance: The Permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structures or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the Permittee will be required, upon due notice from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.
- 6. Notice of Permit: The Permittee shall complete and record the enclosed Notice of Department of the Army Permit (Attachment 4) with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Registrar of Deeds or other appropriate official charged with the responsibility of maintaining records of title to or interest in real property within the county of the authorized activity. Within 90 days from the effective date of this permit the Permittee shall provide a copy of the recorded Notice of Permit to the Corps clearly showing a stamp from the appropriate official indicating the book and page at which the Notice of Permit is recorded and the date of recording.
- 7. **Federal Channel Setback**: The most waterward edge authorized project shall be constructed no more than 72.7 feet from the near edge of the federal channel as shown in Attachment 1.
- 8. **Manatee Conditions:** The Permittee shall comply with the "Standard Manatee Conditions for In-Water Work 2011" (Attachment 5).

- Project Design Criteria (PDCs) for In-Water Activities: The Permittee shall comply with National Marine Fisheries Service's "PDCs for In-Water Activities" dated November 20, 2017 (Attachment 6).
- 10. Daylight Hours: All activities must be completed during daylight hours.
- 11. **Construction Location:** Project construction shall take place from uplands or from floating equipment (e.g., barge); prop or wheel-washing is prohibited.

12. Cultural Resources:

- a. No structure or work shall adversely affect impact or disturb properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) or those eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.
- b. If during the ground disturbing activities and construction work within the permit area, there are archaeological/cultural materials encountered which were not the subject of a previous cultural resources assessment survey (and which shall include, but not be limited to: pottery, modified shell, flora, fauna, human remains, ceramics, stone tools or metal implements, dugout canoes, evidence of structures or any other physical remains that could be associated with Native American cultures or early colonial or American settlement), the Permittee shall immediately stop all work and ground-disturbing activities within a 100-meter diameter of the discovery and notify the Corps within the same business day (8 hours). The Corps shall then notify the Florida State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the appropriate Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s) (THPO(s)) to assess the significance of the discovery and devise appropriate actions.
- c. Additional cultural resources assessments may be required of the permit area in the case of unanticipated discoveries as referenced in accordance with the above Special Condition; and if deemed necessary by the SHPO, THPO(s), or Corps, in accordance with 36 CFR 800 or 33 CFR 325, Appendix C (5). Based, on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume on non-federal lands without written authorization from the SHPO for finds under his or her jurisdiction, and from the Corps.
- d. In the unlikely event that unmarked human remains are identified on non-federal lands, they will be treated in accordance with Section 872.05

Florida Statutes. All work and ground disturbing activities within a 100-meter diameter of the unmarked human remains shall immediately cease and the Permittee shall immediately notify the medical examiner, Corps, and State Archaeologist within the same business day (8-hours). The Corps shall then notify the appropriate SHPO and THPO(s). Based, on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume without written authorization from the State Archaeologist and from the Corps.

This authorization does not obviate the necessity to obtain any other Federal, State, or local permits, which may be required. Prior to the initiation of any construction, projects qualifying for this NWP/RGP permit must qualify for an exemption under section 403.813(1), F.S. or 373.406, F.S., or otherwise be authorized by the applicable permit required under Part IV of Chapter 373, F.S., by the Department of Environmental Protection, a water management district under section 373.069, F.S., or a local government with delegated authority under section 373.441, F.S., and receive Water Quality Certification (WQC) and applicable Coastal Zone Consistency Concurrence (CZCC) or waiver thereto, as well as any authorizations required for the use of stateowned submerged lands under Chapter 253, F.S., and, as applicable, Chapter 258, F.S. You should check State-permitting requirements with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection or the appropriate water management district.

This authorization does not include conditions that would prevent the 'take' of a state-listed fish or wildlife species. These species are protected under sec. 379.411, Florida Statutes, and listed under Rule 68A-27, Florida Administrative Code. With regard to fish and wildlife species designated as species of special concern or threatened by the State of Florida, you are responsible for coordinating directly with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). You can visit the FWC license and permitting webpage (http://www.myfwc.com/license/wildlife/) for more information, including a list of those fish and wildlife species designated as species of special concern or threatened. The Florida Natural Areas Inventory (http://www.fnai.org/) also maintains updated lists, by county, of documented occurrences of those species.

This authorization does not give absolute Federal authority to perform the work as specified on your application. The proposed work may be subject to local building restrictions mandated by the National Flood Insurance Program. You should contact your local office that issues building permits to determine if your site is located in a flood-prone area, and if you must comply with the local building requirements mandated by the National Flood Insurance Program.

If you are unable to access the internet or require a hardcopy of any of the conditions, limitations, or expiration date for the above RGP(s), please contact Jerilyn Ashworth by telephone at 561-472-3516.

Thank you for your cooperation with our permit program. The Corps' Jacksonville District Regulatory Division is committed to improving service to our customers. We strive to perform our duty in a friendly and timely manner while working to preserve our environment. We invite you to complete our automated Customer Service Survey at http://corpsmapu.usace.army.mil/cm_apex/f?p=regulatory_survey. Please be aware this Internet address is case sensitive; and, you will need to enter it exactly as it appears above. Your input is appreciated – favorable or otherwise.

Sincerely,

Jerilyn Ashworth Project Manager

Enclosures

Copies Furnished: CESAJ-RE CESAJ-RD-E

GENERAL CONDITIONS 33 CFR PART 320-330

- 1. The time limit for completing the work authorized ends on the <u>dates identified in the letter</u>.
- 2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you may make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you must obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.
- 3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and state coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 4. If you sell the property associated with this permit you must obtain the signature of the new owner in the space provided and forward a copy of the permit to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.
- 5. If a conditioned water quality certification has been issued for your project, you must comply with the conditions specified in the certification as special conditions to this permit. For your convenience, a copy of the certification is attached if it contains such conditions.
- 6. You must allow a representative from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.

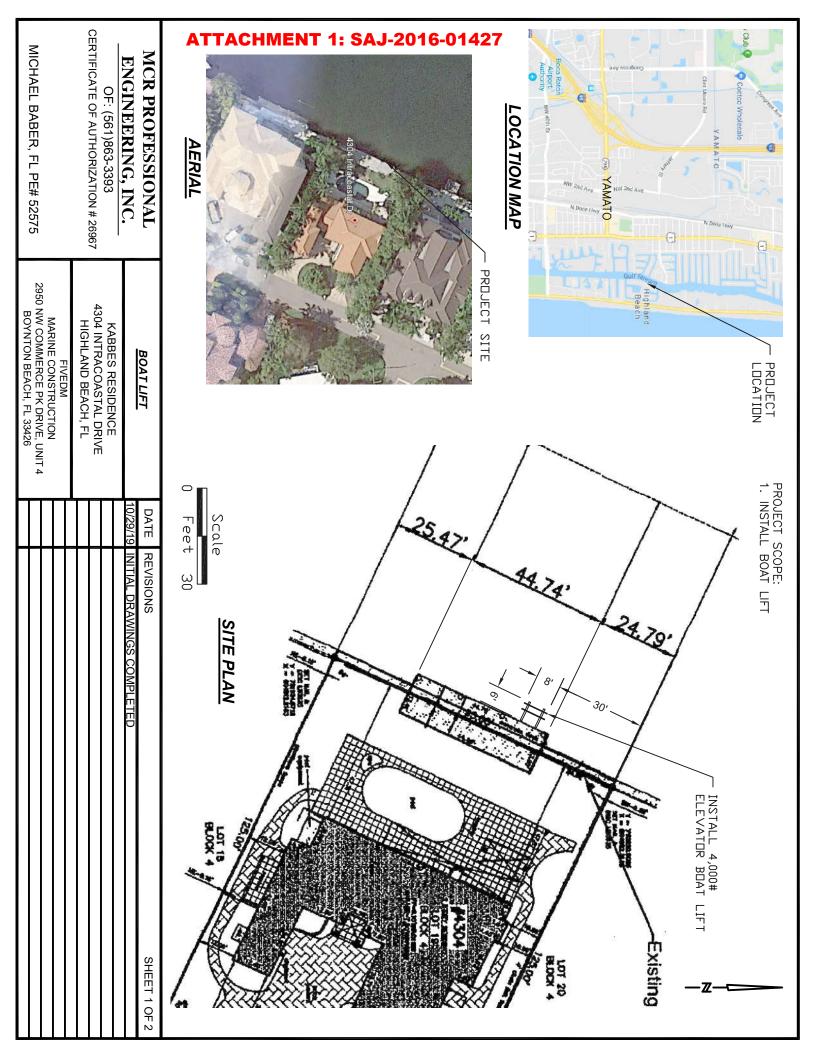
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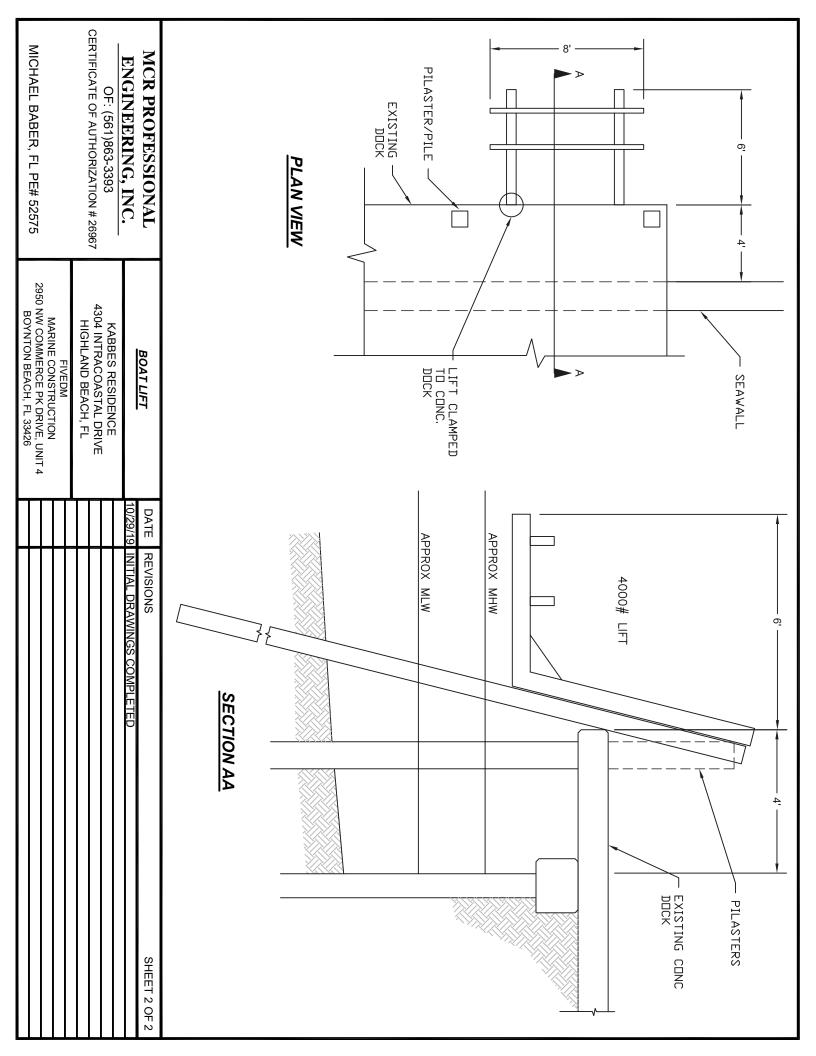
PERMIT NUMBER: SAJ-2016-01427(GP-JKA)

When the structures or work authorized by this permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this permit will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. Although the construction period for works authorized by Department of the Army permits is finite, the permit itself, with its limitations, does not expire.

To validate the transfer of this permit and the associated responsibilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below and mail to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019 or by electronic mail at saj-rd-enforcement@usace.army.mil.

(TRANSFEREE-SIGNATURE)	(SUBDIVISIO	ON)
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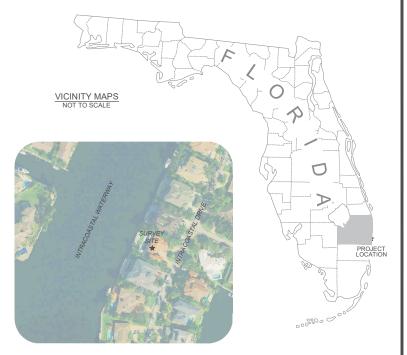
SPECIFIC PURPOSE SURVEY

LOT 19 BLOCK 4 of "BEL LIDO" SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 47 SOUTH, RANGE 43 EAST, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA



ABBREVIATIONS

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SURVEY NOTES:

- THIS IS A SPECIFIC PURPOSE SURVEY AS DEFINED IN THE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR SURVEYING AND MAPPING IN CHAPTER 5J-17 FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. THIS SURVEY IS CERTIFIED TO KIM & MARK KABBES.
- THIS SURVEY IS CHIFFLED TO KIM & MARK KABBES.

 THIS SURVEY IS INTENDED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE USE BY THOSE TO WHOM IT IS CERTIFIED. IT IS NOT TO BE USED BY OTHERS FOR CONSTRUCTION, PERMITTING, DESIGN OR ANY OTHER USE WITHOUT THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF TERRAQUATIC, INC.

 THIS SURVEY, AND ANY REPRODUCTION THEREOF, IS NOT VALID WITHOUT AN ORIGINAL OR VERIFIED DIGITAL SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF A FLORIDA REGISTERED SURVEYOR. ADDITIONALLY, THIS SURVEY IS NOT VALID IF PRINTED BEARING A DIGITAL SIGNATURE AND SEAL.

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 THIS MAP IS INTENDED TO BE DISPLAYED AT A SCALE OF 1 INCH = 20 FEET OR SMALLER.
 UNDERGROUND UTILITIES WERE NOT LOCATED AS PART OF THIS SURVEY.
 BEARING AND DISTANCES SHOWN HERON ARE RELATIVE TO THE NORTH AMERICA DATUM OF 1983, FLORIDA STATE PLANE, ZONE 901, TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION IN THE U.S.
 SURVEY FOOT UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.
- BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE RELATIVE TO A GRID BEARING OF N24°53'36"E ALONG EAST LINE OF BLOCK 4.
- 10. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, FIELD BEARINGS AND DISTANCES ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE RECORD PLAT.

 11. THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF THIS SURVEY IS TO SHOW THE PROPOSED MARINE IMPROVEMENTS RELATIVE TO THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY CHANNEL.

CERTIFICATION:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED SPECIFIC PURPOSE SURVEY OF THE HEREON DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF AS SURVEYED UNDER MY DIRECTION ON 11/26/19. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIFIC PURPOSE SURVEY MEETS THE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 51-17 ADOPTED BY THE FLORIDA BOARD OF SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 472.027.

Kenneth C. Jackson, PSM 4549 2020.02.07 11:19:21

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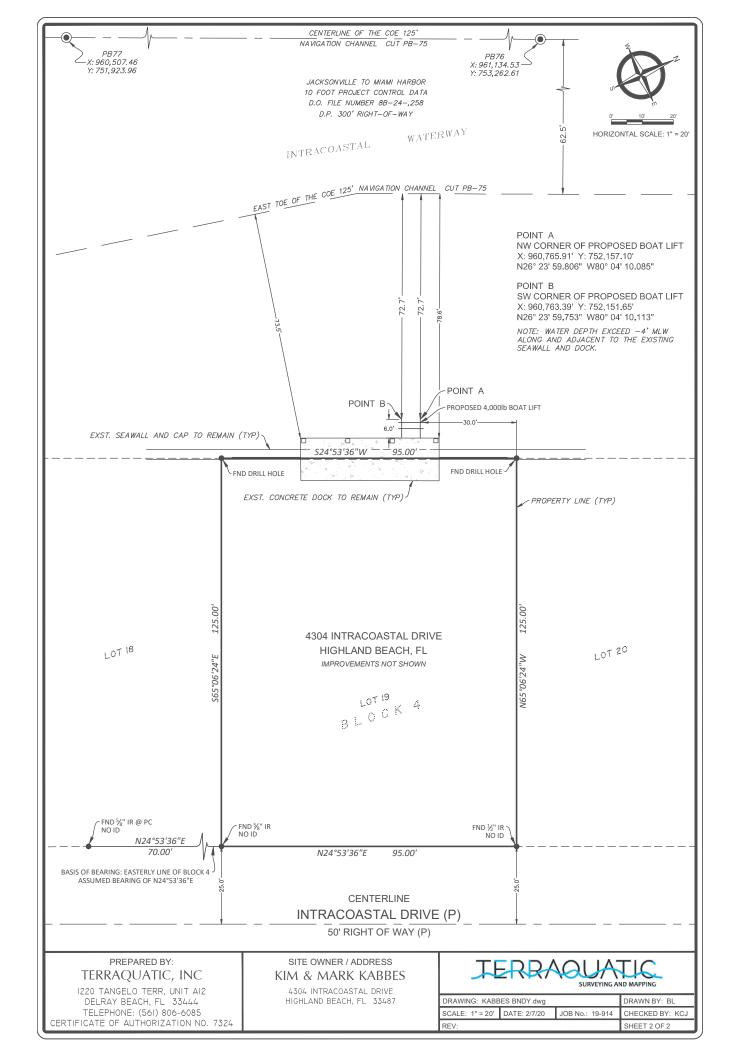
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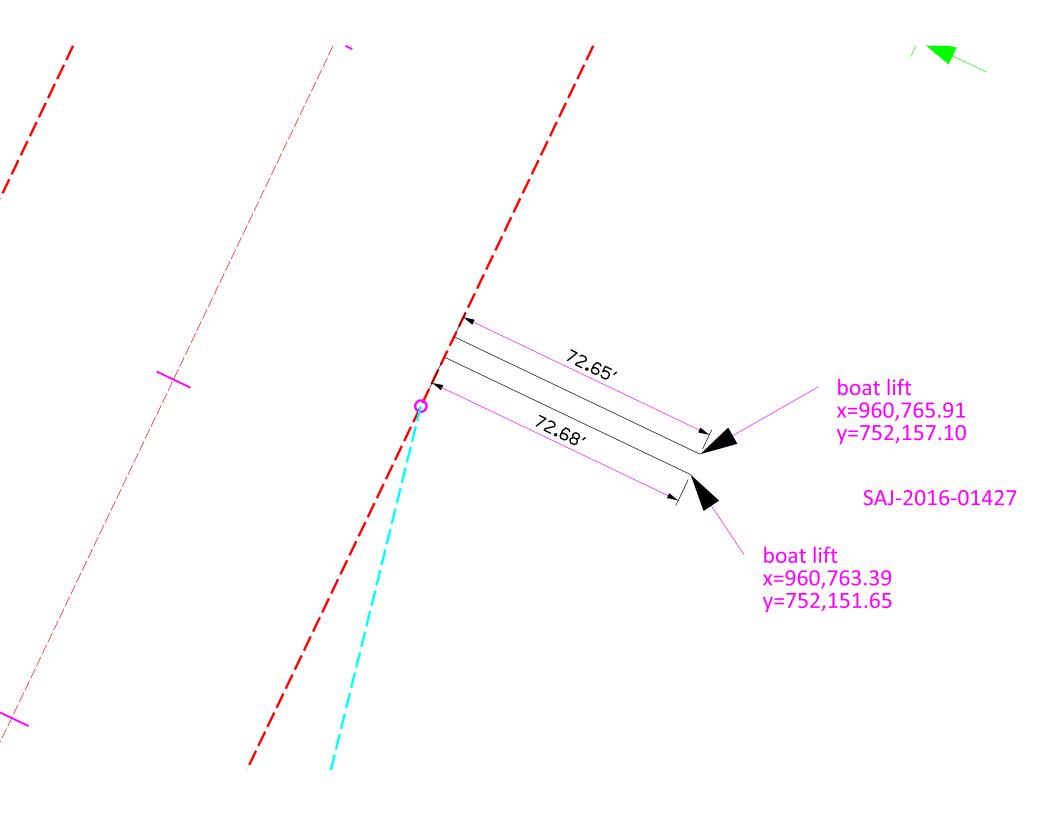
SITE OWNER / ADDRESS KIM & MARK KABBES

4304 INTRACOASTAL DRIVE HIGHLAND BEACH, FL 33487



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ATTACHMENT 2: SAJ-2016-01427

COMMENCEMENT NOTIFICATION

Within ten (10) days of initiating the authorized work, submit this form via electronic mail to saj-rd-enforcement@usace.army.mil (preferred, not to exceed 15 MB) <u>or</u> by standard mail to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019.

1. **Department of the Army Permit Number**: SAJ-2016-01427(GP-JKA)

2.	Permittee Inform	nation:
	Name:	
	Email:	
	Address:	
	Phone:	
3.	Construction St	art Date:
4.	Contact to Sche	dule Inspection:
	Name:	
	Email:	
	Phone:	
		Signature of Permittee
		Printed Name of Permittee
		Date

ATTACHMENT 3: SAJ-2016-01427

AS-BUILT CERTIFICATION BY PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

Within sixty (60) days of completion of the authorized work, submit this form and one set of asbuilt engineering drawings via electronic mail to saj-rd-enforcement@usace.army.mil (preferred, but not to exceed 15 MB) or by standard mail to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019. If you have questions regarding this requirement, please contact the Enforcement Branch at 904-232-3697.

Department of the Army Permit Num	nber: SAJ-2016-01427(GP-JKA)
2. Permittee Information:		
Name:		
Address:		
3. Project Site Identification (physical lo	ocation/address):	
by Special Conditions to the permit, has the Army permit with any deviations not observation, scheduled and conducted supervision. I have enclosed one set o Signature of Engineer	ted below. This determination is by me or by a project representa	based upon on-site
(FL, PR, or VI) Reg. Number	Company Name	
City	State	 ZIP
(Affix Seal)		

Date	Telephone Number
Date Work Started:	Date Work Completed:
Identify any deviations from the approved additional pages if necessary):	permit drawings and/or special conditions (attach

ATTACHMENT 4: SAJ-2016-01427

Prepared by:	
Permittee:	
Address:	
Phone:	

NOTICE OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT

TAKE NOTICE the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has issued a permit or verification SAJ-2016-01427 to Mark Kabbes (Permittee) on February 20, 2020, authorizing work in navigable waters of the United States in accordance with Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C 403) on a parcel of land known as Folio/Parcel ID: 24-43-47-04-02-004-0190, located at 4304 Intracoastal Drive, Section 4, Township, 47 South, Range 43 East, Highland Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

Within 30 days of any transfer of interest or control of said property, the Permittee must notify the Corps in writing of the property transfer by submitting the completed permit transfer page included with the issued permit or verification. The subject permit or verification concerns only that portion of the property determined to fall within the jurisdiction of the Corps and this notice is applicable only to those portions of the subject property in, over, under, or affecting navigable waters of the United States.

Conditions of the Permit/Verification: The permit or verification is subject to General Conditions and Special Conditions which may affect the use of the work authorized in Intracoastal Waterway. Accordingly, interested parties should closely examine the entire permit or verification, all associated applications, and any subsequent modifications.

To obtain a copy of the authorization in its entirety submit a written request to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Division - Special Projects & Enforcement Branch
Post Office Box 4970
Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019

Questions regarding compliance with these conditions should be directed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Enforcement Section
Post Office Box 4970
Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019

Conflict Between Notice and Permit

This Notice of Authorization is not a complete summary of the issued permit or verification. Provisions in this Notice of Permit shall not be used in interpreting the permit or verification provisions. In the event of conflict between this Notice of Permit and the permit or verification, the permit or verification shall control.

This Notice is Not an Encumbrance

This Notice is for informational purposes only. It is not intended to be a lien, encumbrance, or cloud on the title of the premises.

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This Notice of Authorization is execu-	ted on this day of This document is being submitted for recordation County, Florida as part of the requirement
imposed by the authorization SAJ-20	
	Permittee:
	Address:
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STATE OF FLORIDA	
COUNTY OF	
The foregoing instrument was ackno , 20, by _ me or has produced	wledged before me thisday of, who is personally known to as identification.
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My Commission Expires	

ATTACHMENT 5: SAJ-2016-01427

STANDARD MANATEE CONDITIONS FOR IN-WATER WORK

The permittee shall comply with the following conditions intended to protect manatees from direct project effects:

- a. All personnel associated with the project shall be instructed about the presence of manatees and manatee speed zones, and the need to avoid collisions with and injury to manatees. The permittee shall advise all construction personnel that there are civil and criminal penalties for harming, harassing, or killing manatees which are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Florida Manatee Sanctuary Act.
- b. All vessels associated with the construction project shall operate at "Idle Speed/No Wake" at all times while in the immediate area and while in water where the draft of the vessel provides less than a four-foot clearance from the bottom. All vessels will follow routes of deep water whenever possible.
- c. Siltation or turbidity barriers shall be made of material in which manatees cannot become entangled, shall be properly secured, and shall be regularly monitored to avoid manatee entanglement or entrapment. Barriers must not impede manatee movement.
- d. All on-site project personnel are responsible for observing water-related activities for the presence of manatee(s). All in-water operations, including vessels, must be shutdown if a manatee(s) comes within 50 feet of the operation. Activities will not resume until the manatee(s) has moved beyond the 50-foot radius of the project operation, or until 30 minutes elapses if the manatee(s) has not reappeared within 50 feet of the operation. Animals must not be herded away or harassed into leaving.
- e. Any collision with or injury to a manatee shall be reported immediately to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Hotline at 1-888-404-3922. Collision and/or injury should also be reported to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Jacksonville (1-904-731-3336) for north Florida or Vero Beach (1-772-562-3909) for south Florida, and to FWC at ImperiledSpecies@myFWC.com
- f. Temporary signs concerning manatees shall be posted prior to and during all in-water project activities. All signs are to be removed by the permittee upon completion of the project. Temporary signs that have already been approved for this use by the FWC must be used. One sign which reads *Caution: Boaters* must be posted. A second sign measuring at least 8 ½" by 11" explaining the requirements for "Idle Speed/No Wake" and the shut down of in-water operations must be posted in a location prominently visible to all personnel engaged in water-related activities. These signs can be viewed at MyFWC.com/manatee. Questions concerning these signs can be sent to the email address listed above.

CAUTION: MANATEE HABITAT

All project vessels

IDLE SPEED / NO WAKE

When a manatee is within 50 feet of work all in-water activities must

SHUT DOWN

Report any collision with or injury to a manatee:

Wildlife Alert:

1-888-404-FWCC(3922)

cell *FWC or #FWC



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District's Programmatic Biological Opinion (JaxBO) Project Design Criteria (PDCs) for In-Water Activities

November 20, 2017

- 1) **(AP.7.) Education and Observation**: The permittee must ensure that all personnel associated with the project are instructed about the potential presence of species protected under the ESA and the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA). All on-site project personnel are responsible for observing water-related activities for the presence of protected species. All personnel shall be advised that there are civil and criminal penalties for harming, harassing, or killing ESA-listed species or marine mammals. To determine which species may be found in the project area, please review the relevant Protected Species List at: http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/protected resources/section 7/threatened endangered/in
 - dex.html
- 2) (AP.8.) Reporting of interactions with protected species:
 - a) Any collision(s) with and/or injury to any sea turtle, sawfish, whale, or sturgeon occurring during the construction of a project, shall be reported immediately to NMFS's Protected Resources Division (PRD) at (1-727-824-5312) or by email to takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov and SAJ-RD-Enforcement@usace.army.mil.
 - b) Smalltooth sawfish: Report sightings to 1-844-SAWFISH or email Sawfish@MyFWC.com
 - c) Sturgeon: Report dead sturgeon to 1-844-STURG 911 (1-844-788-7491) or email nmfs.ser.sturgeonnetwork@noaa.gov
 - d) Sea turtles and marine mammals: Report stranded, injured, or dead animals to 1-877-WHALE HELP (1-877-942-5343).
 - e) North Atlantic right whale: Report injured, dead, or entangled right whales to the USCG via VHF Channel 16.
- 3) (AP.9.) Vessel Traffic and Construction Equipment: All vessel operators must watch for and avoid collision with species protected under the ESA and MMPA. Vessel operators must avoid potential interactions with protected species and operate in accordance with the following protective measures:
 - a) Construction Equipment.
 - i) All vessels associated with the construction project shall operate at "Idle Speed/No Wake" at all times while operating in water depths where the draft of the vessel provides less than a 4-foot (ft) clearance from the bottom, and in all depths after a protected species has been observed in and has departed the area.
 - ii) All vessels will follow marked channels and/or routes using the maximum water depth whenever possible.
 - iii) Operation of any mechanical construction equipment, including vessels, shall cease immediately if a listed species is observed within a 50-ft radius of

- construction equipment and shall not resume until the species has departed the area of its own volition.
- iv) If the detection of species is not possible during certain weather conditions (e.g., fog, rain, wind), then in-water operations will cease until weather conditions improve and detection is again feasible.

b) All Vessels:

- i) Sea turtles: Maintain a minimum distance of 150 ft.
- ii) North Atlantic right whale: Maintain a minimum 1,500-ft distance (500 yards).
- iii) Vessels 65 ft in length or longer must comply with the Right Whale Ship Strike Reduction Rule (50 CFR 224.105) which includes reducing speeds to 10 knots or less in Seasonal Management Areas (http://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/pr/shipstrike/).
- iv) Mariners shall check various communication media for general information regarding avoiding ship strikes and specific information regarding right whale sightings in the area. These include NOAA weather radio, USCG NAVTEX broadcasts, and Notices to Mariners.
- v) Marine mammals (i.e., dolphins, whales [other than North Atlantic right whales], and porpoises): Maintain a minimum distance of 300 ft.
- vi) When these animals are sighted while the vessel is underway (e.g., bowriding), attempt to remain parallel to the animal's course. Avoid excessive speed or abrupt changes in direction until they have left the area.
- vii) Reduce speed to 10 knots or less when mother/calf pairs or groups of marine mammals are observed, when safety permits.
- 4) (AP.10.) Turbidity Control Measures during Construction: Turbidity must be monitored and controlled. Prior to initiating any of the work covered under this Opinion, the Permittee shall install turbidity curtains as described below. In some instances, the use of turbidity curtains may be waived by the USACE project manager if the project is deemed too minimal to generate turbidity (e.g., certain ATON installation, scientific survey device placement, marine debris removal) or if the current is too strong for the curtains to stay in place. Turbidity curtains specifications:
 - a) Install floating turbidity barriers with weighted skirts that extend to within 1 ft of the bottom around all work areas that are in, or adjacent to, surface waters.
 - b) Use these turbidity barriers throughout construction to control erosion and siltation and ensure that turbidity levels within the project area do not exceed background conditions.
 - c) Position turbidity barriers in a way that does not block species' entry to or exit from designated critical habitat.
 - d) Monitor and maintain turbidity barriers in place until the authorized work has been completed and the water quality in the project area has returned to background conditions.
 - e) In the range of ESA-listed corals (St. Lucie Inlet, Martin County south to the Dry Tortugas and the U.S. Caribbean) and Johnson's seagrass (Turkey Creek/Palm

Bay south to central Biscayne Bay in the lagoon systems on the east coast of Florida):

- Projects that include upland earth moving (e.g., grading to install a building or parking lot associated with a dock and seawall project), must install sediment control barriers to prevent any upland sediments from reaching estuarine or marine waters.
- ii) The turbidity curtain requirement cannot be waived for any project that moves or removes sediment (e.g., dredging, auger to create a pile, trenching to install a cableline). If turbidity curtains are not feasible in an area based on site conditions such as water current, high wave action, or stormy conditions, the project must undergo individual Section 7 consultation and is not covered under this Programmatic Opinion.
- 5) **(AP.11.) Entanglement:** All turbidity curtains and other in-water equipment must be properly secured with materials that reduce the risk of entanglement of marine species (described below). Turbidity curtains likewise must be made of materials that reduce the risk of entanglement of marine species.
 - a) In-water lines (rope, chain, and cable, including the lines to secure turbidity curtains) must be stiff, taut, and non-looping. Examples of such lines are heavy metal chains or heavy cables that do not readily loop and tangle. Flexible inwater lines, such as nylon rope or any lines that could loop or tangle, must be enclosed in a plastic or rubber sleeve/tube to add rigidity and prevent the line from looping and tangling. In all instances, no excess line is allowed in the water.
 - b) Turbidity curtains and other in-water equipment must be placed in a manner that does not entrap species within the construction area or block access for them to navigate around the construction area.