





#### EXPERT PANEL ON DIVERSION PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION



Lower Breton Sound Sediment Diversion Conceptual Engineering Design Presentation February 12, 2015



#### I. Introduction

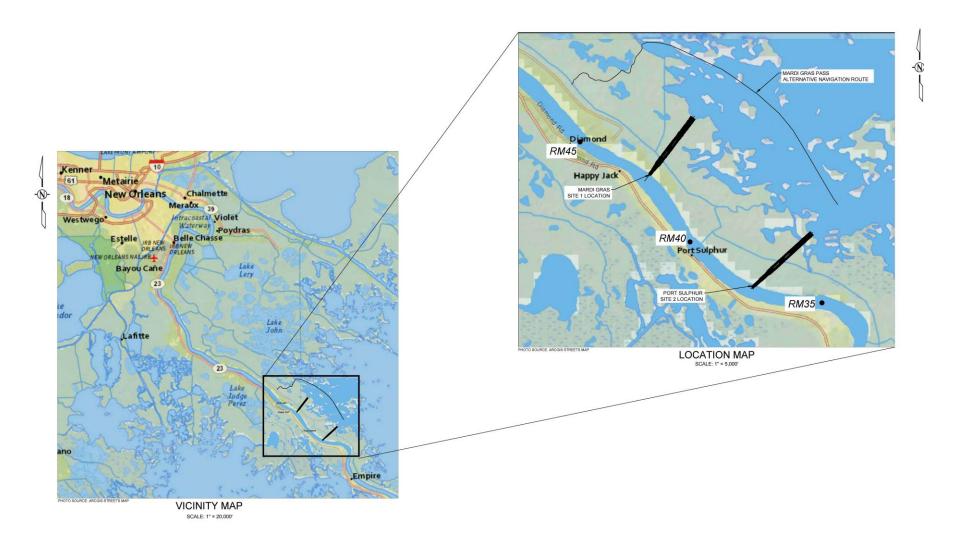
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- The purpose of the project is to construct a sediment diversion to transport sediment from the Mississippi River into the lower Breton Sound Basin in order to build, sustain, and maintain wetlands
- AECOM was selected to develop a conceptual level engineering design and order of magnitude life cycle cost comparisons as part of the screening criteria.
- The work conducted by AECOM for the December Decision has been to more thoroughly evaluate the two remaining alternatives by investigating design options that could significantly reduce the potential project costs, and refine the construction cost estimate.

# **Introduction - Final Proposed Sites**







Major Design Criteria

- Required Flow Capacity: **50,000 cfs** through the diversion structure for river flow of 1,000,000 cfs
- Top of Structures: El. **9.0**' based on El. 7.21' of record river flood stage
- 100-year hurricane storm surge inundation design elevations not considered
- River Intake: Invert El. -40.0'
- Gate Structure: Invert El. -40.0'
- Tainter Gates: 2 ea. at 60' wide
- Discharge Elevation at Invert El. -20.0'



# **Geotechnical Study**

- Limited existing geotechnical information
- Tasked to collect information for final two sites
- Coastal Use Permit received January 2015
- Oyster lease survey required and is pending
- Used Conservative Assumptions for side slopes, pile capacity and settlement



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# Hydraulic Study



- Hydraulic Design determined the configuration of the system.
- The goal of the hydraulic study was to modify the conceptual design for a conveyance channel to increase efficiency and reduce the estimated cost of construction
- Developed approximately 15 channel sequences
- Utilized 5 of the scenarios developed to do a complete HEC RAS analysis of each of the channel's performances
- Developed the channel configuration as presented
- Two additional scenarios were run to investigate the head loss from the river through the gates and headworks to develop the final conceptual design



#### Armoring

- Required to reduce Manning's coefficient
- Comparison of three types of armoring
  - USCOE Revetment System
  - Large Rip Rap
  - Articulated Concrete Block Mats.
- Selected system for study was a rip rap bottom with ACB mat side slopes to model
- Construction cost estimate also included a total rip rap system



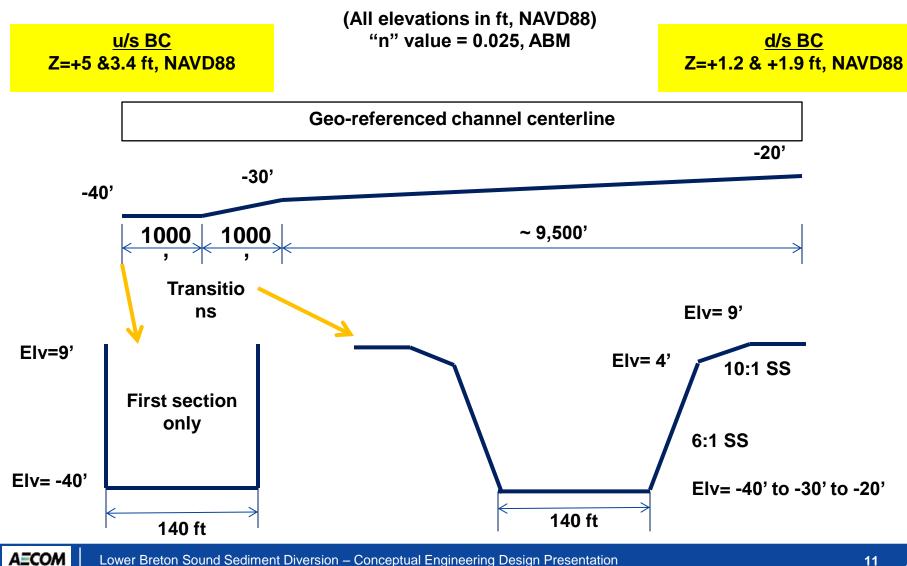
#### Model

- One Dimensional HEC-RAS program
- Channel with a general cross sectional area between 5,000 to 6,000 square feet
- Channel Roughness Coefficient Manning's n=0.025 for ACB Mats on side slopes and Sand Filled Rip Rap for the channel bottom
- Flow Forcing Conditions
  - 1 million CFS in the Mississippi gives a water stage of +5.4' NAVD88
  - Water surface at Lower Breton Sound ranges from +2.7 to + 1.2 NAVD88
- Channel Exit Condition
  - Utilized a still water exit condition ranging from -35 to -20 NAVD88 as a still water exit "pool"

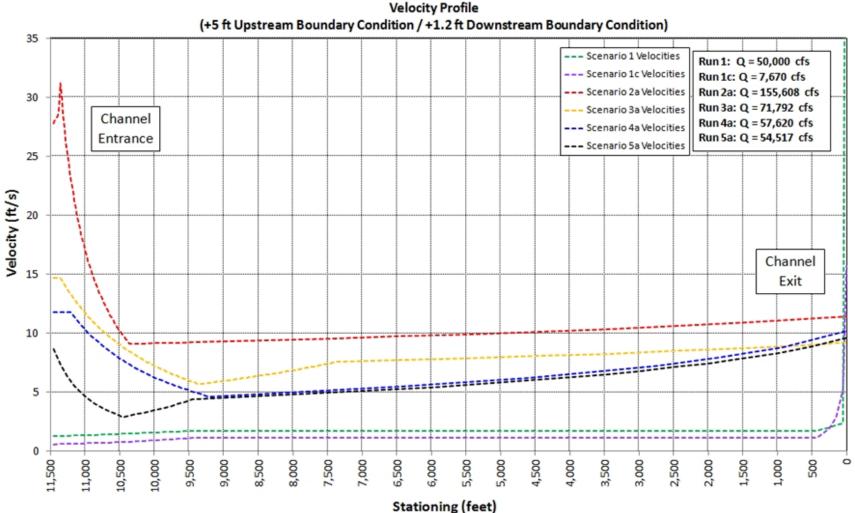
## **Hydraulic Study**





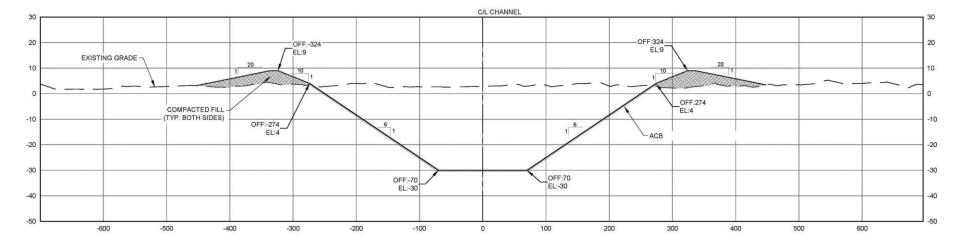


#### Hydraulic Study - HEC-RAS Results: Port Sulphur 5 **Scenarios**



#### **Hydraulic Study: Conveyance Channel**

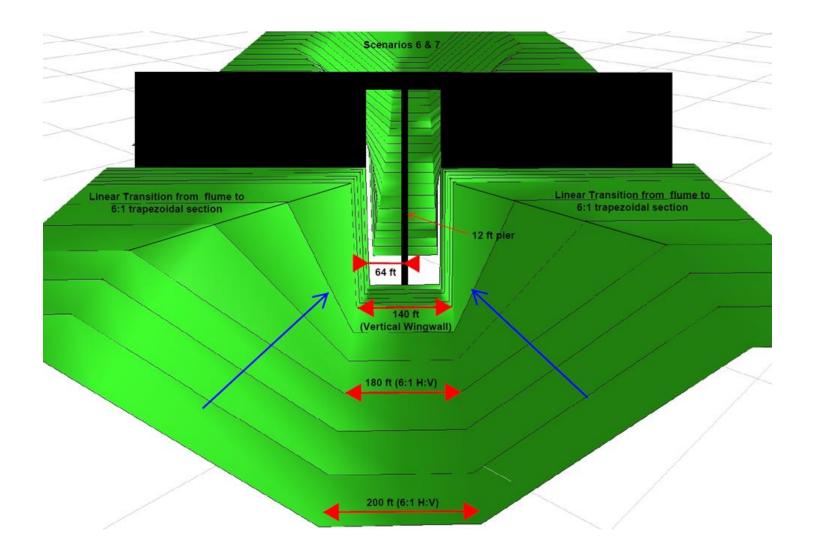




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#### Hydraulic Study: Gate Structure with Channel







#### Outfall

- Revised to utilize the energy of the exiting water to push sediment further out into the marsh
- Consists of dredging the bay an additional 5,000 lf to an elevation of -20.0 NAVD88 (same as end of armored channel)
- One-time construction cost to allow the flows to enter the bay unimpeded to begin the deltaic land building process earlier
- Reduces the amount of sediment accumulation in the conveyance channel
- Should be validated by 3D land building model

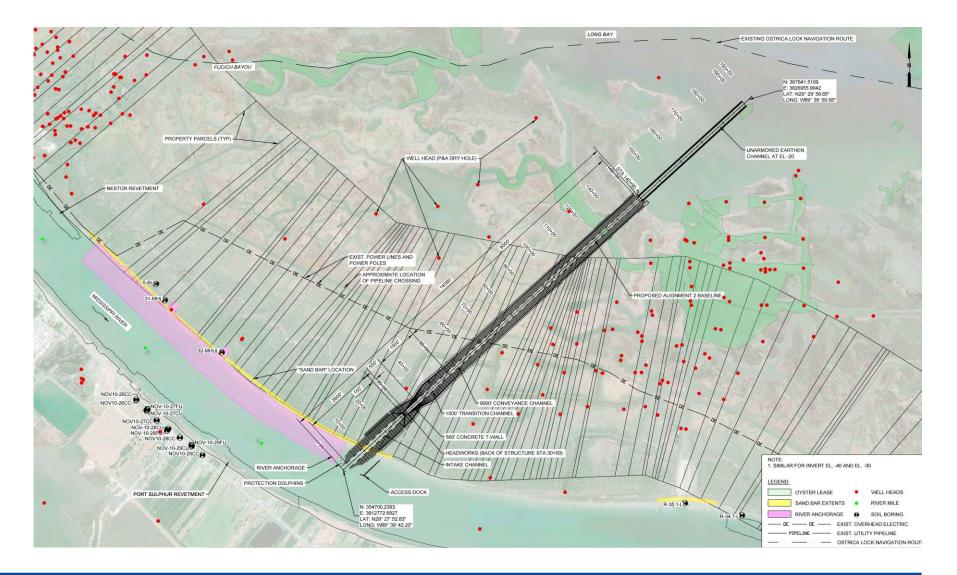


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# **Major Project Features**

#### **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: PLAN VIEW**





#### **Major Project Features – Construction Methods**

#### • <u>INTAKE</u>

- In-the-wet construction
- Concrete Revetment Mats
- Rip Rap Armoring
- Protection Dolphins

#### • <u>HEADWORKS</u>

- In-the-dry construction
- Pile-supported Monolithic Concrete Control Structure
- Steel Tainter Gates & Drive System
- Equipment Rooms
- Tie-in/Wing Walls
- Access Bridge

# DISCHARGE TRANSITION SEGMENT

- In-the-dry construction
- Lined with timber pile-supported concrete
- Flaring T-walls used to create variable x-section geometry

#### <u>CONVEYANCE CHANNEL</u>

- In-the-wet construction (channel)
- Trapezoidal cross-section
- Armored with riprap and ACB Mats
- Guide levees (in-the-dry)
- <u>OUTFALL</u>
  - In-the-wet construction
  - Toe sheets
  - Wing walls



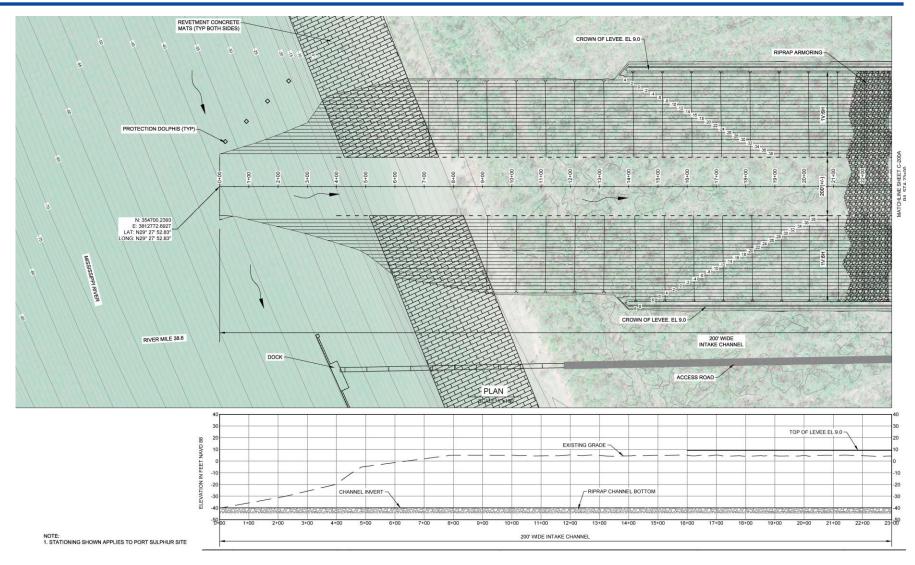
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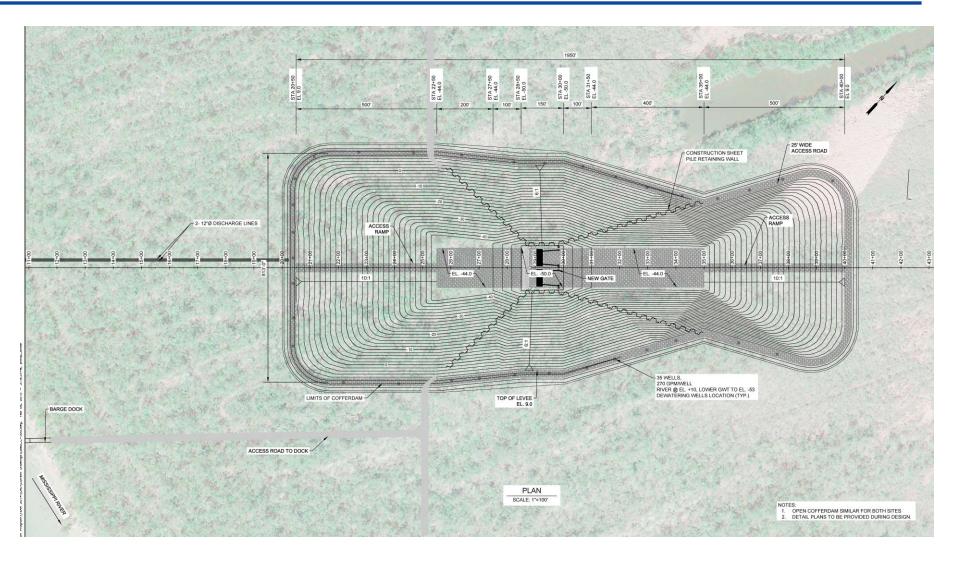


## **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: INTAKE CHANNEL**

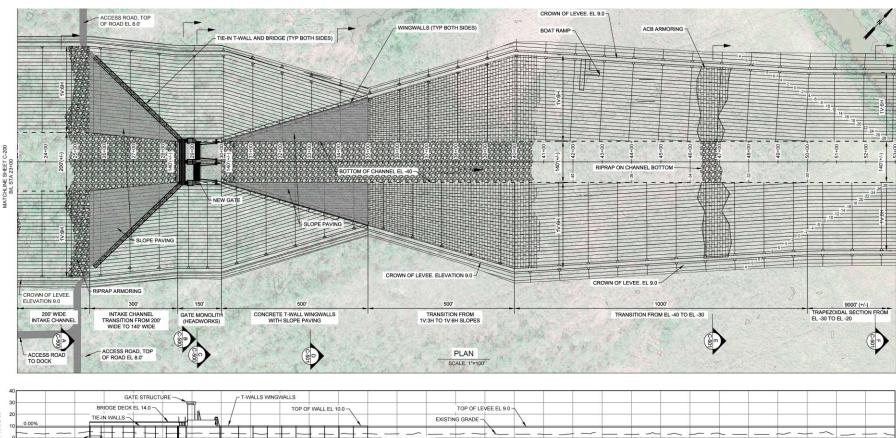


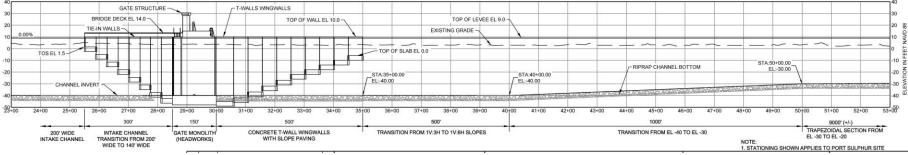


# MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: Closed Cell Coffer Dam



## **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: Gate Structure Plan**

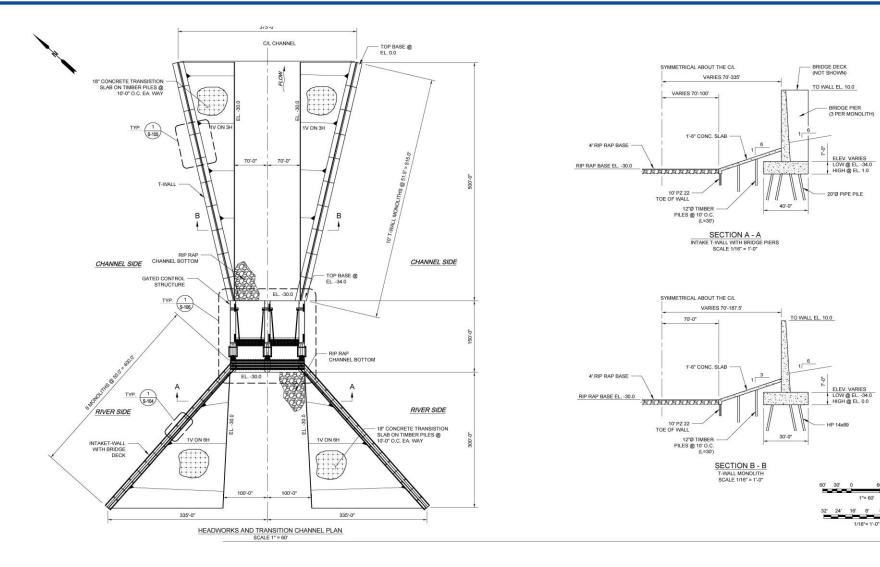








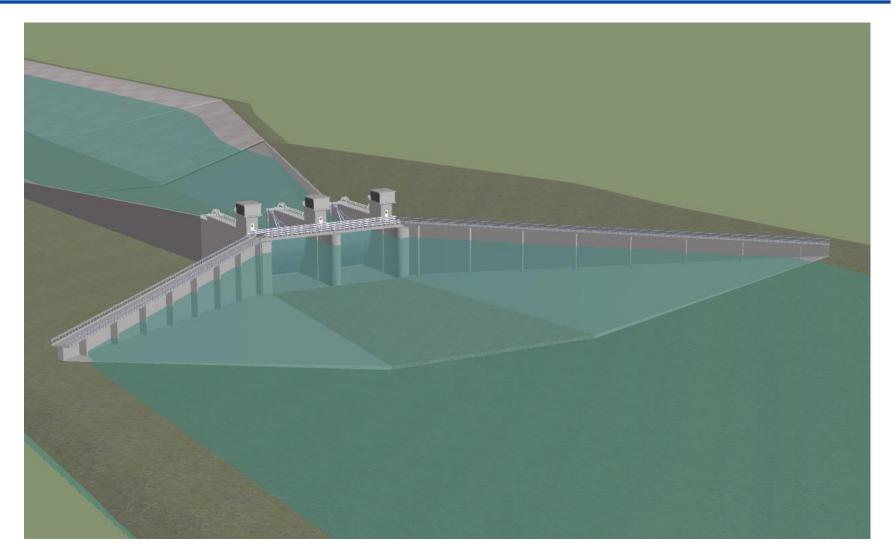
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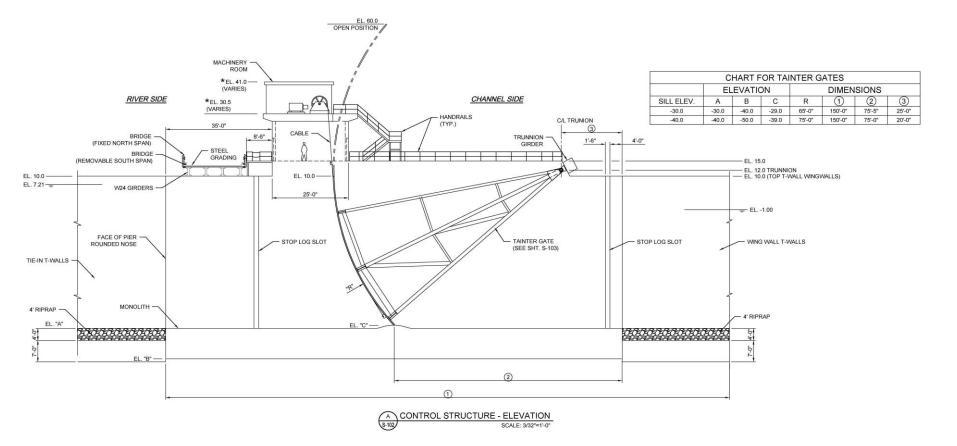
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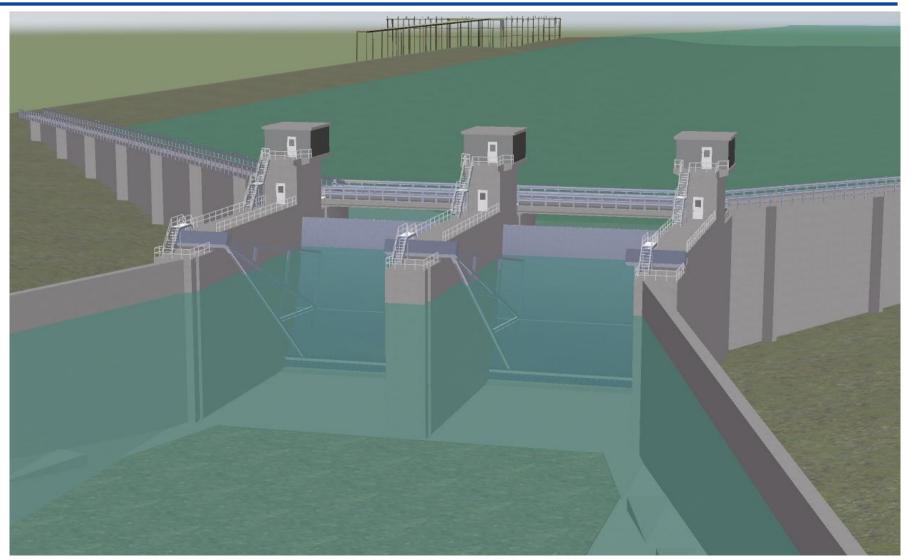
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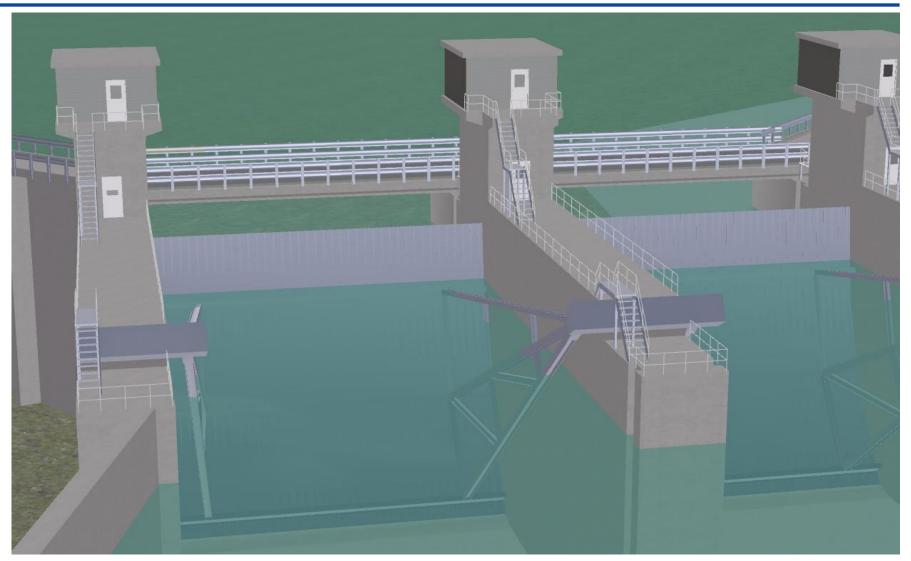
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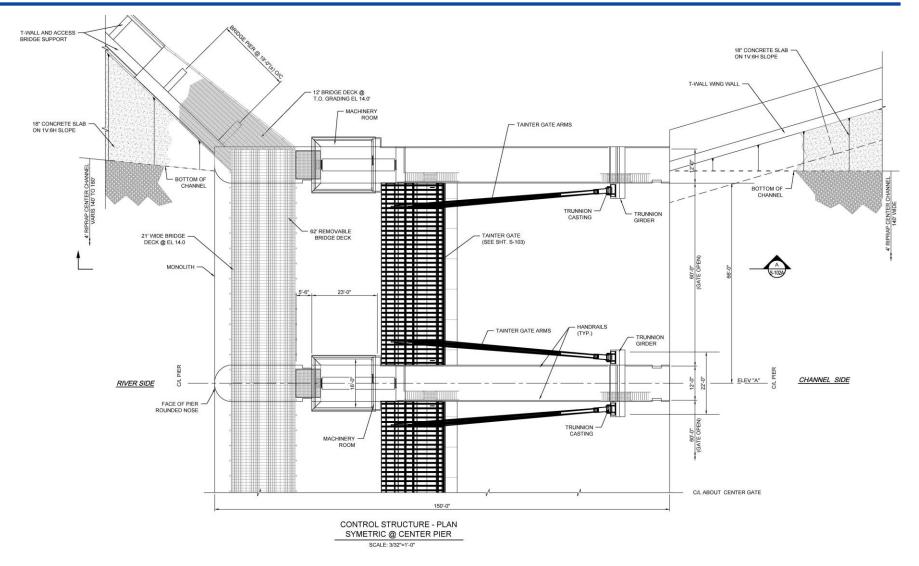
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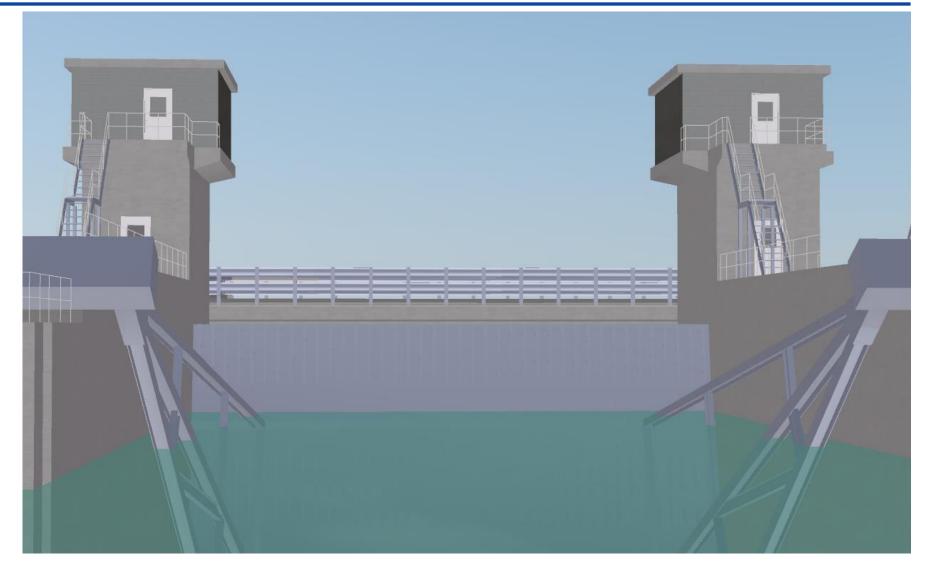


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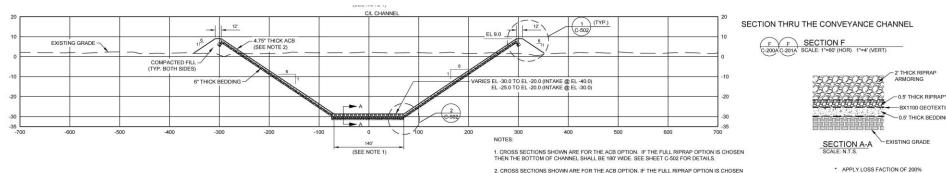


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## **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES:** Channel Cross Section

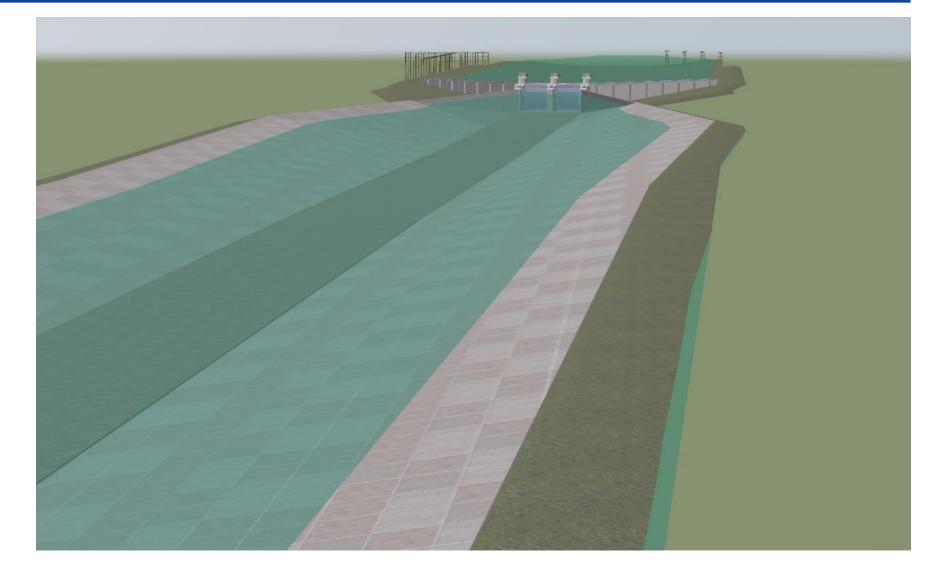


2. CROSS SECTIONS SHOWN ARE FOR THE ACB OPTION. IF THE FULL RIPRAP OPTION IS CHOSEN THEN THE SIDE SLOPE SECTION WILL MATCH THE BOTTOM SECTION. SEE SHEET C-502 FOR DETAILS.

\*\* APPLY LOSS FACTION OF 150%

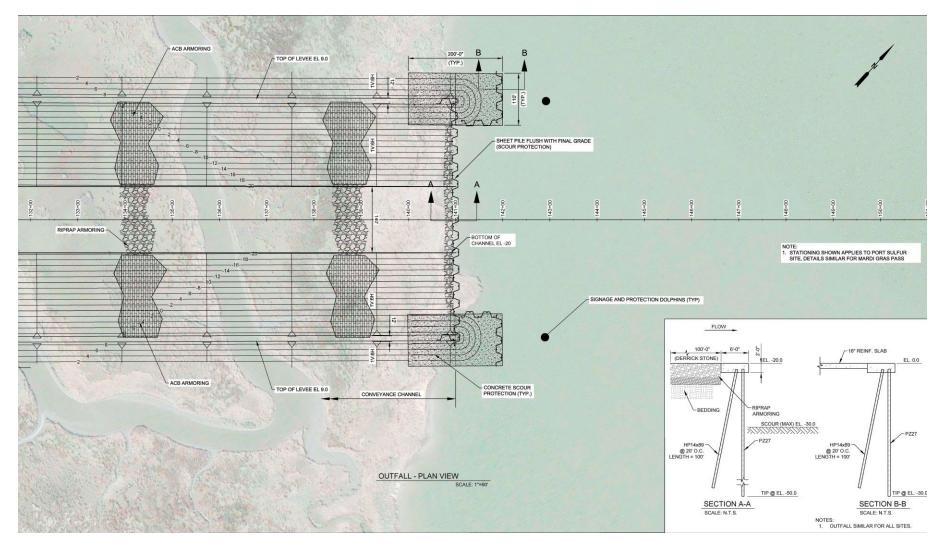
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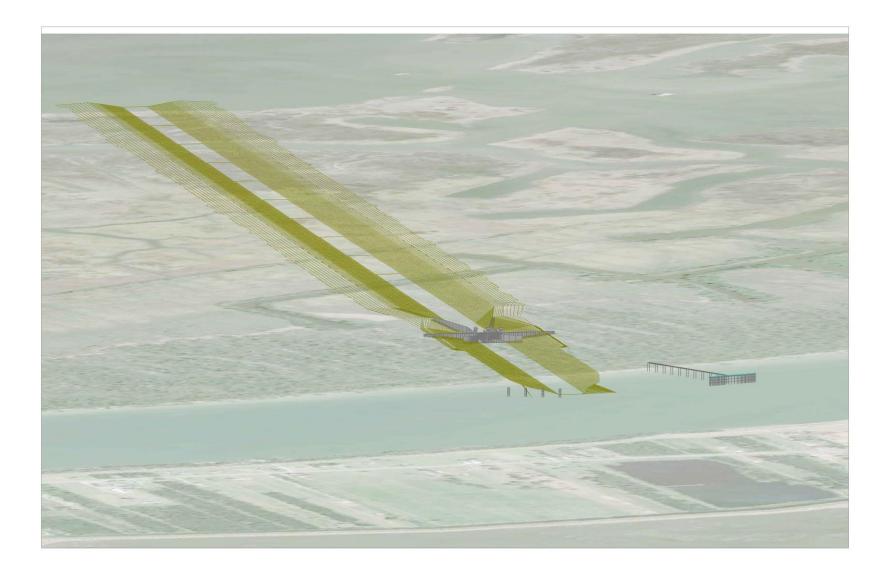
## **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: Discharge Structure**





#### **MAJOR PROJECT FEATURES: ISOMETRIC VIEW**







# Path Forward

- Upon CPRA approval
- Additional 2D Modelling
- Complete Geotechnical Investigation for Preliminary Design
- Initiate Engineering design to the 30% level
- Initiate advanced 3-Dimensional modeling of the diversion system, including changing conditions over the 50 year service life
- Build physical model of complete system to refine design and cost estimate
- Develop potential Beneficial Use concepts for dredged material



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# Questions