



**U S Army Corps
of Engineers**
Huntington District

Public Notice

In reply refer to Public Notice No.
200300990-1

Issuance Date:
August 17, 2005

Stream: UN Trib Chapman Run

Closing Date:
September 16, 2005

Please address all comments and inquiries to:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District

ATTN: CELRH-OR-F Public Notice No. (*reference above*)

502 Eighth Street

Huntington, West Virginia 25701-2070

Phone: (304) 399-5210

PUBLIC NOTICE: The purpose of this public notice is to inform you of a proposal for work in which you might be interested. It is also to solicit your comments and information to better enable us to make a reasonable decision on factors affecting the public interest. We hope you will participate in this process.

REGULATORY PROGRAM: Since its early history, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has played an important role in the development of the nation's water resources. Originally, this involved construction of harbor fortifications and coastal defenses. Later duties included the improvement of waterways to provide avenues of commerce. An important part of our mission today is the protection of the nation's waterways through the administration of the Corps Regulatory Program.

SECTION 10: The Corps is directed by Congress under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 403) to regulate all work or structures in or affecting the course, condition or capacity of navigable waters of the United States (U.S.). The intent of this law is to protect the navigable capacity of waters important to interstate commerce.

SECTION 404: The Corps is directed by Congress under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344) to regulate the discharge of dredged and fill material into all waters of the United States, including wetlands. The intent of the law is to protect the nation's waters from the indiscriminate discharge of material capable of causing pollution and to restore and maintain their chemical, physical and biological integrity.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The following application has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. This notice serves as the Corps of Engineers' request to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to act on Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the following application:

APPLICANT: Cambridge Area Regional Airport Authority
9732 Brick Church Road
Cambridge, Ohio 43725-9420

LOCATION: The project is located in Chapman Run and unnamed tributaries to Chapman Run at the Cambridge Municipal Airport in Cambridge, Guernsey County, Ohio.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK: The applicant proposes to place fill material into waters of the United States in conjunction with the construction of a runway safety area at the Cambridge Municipal Airport. The applicant has indicated the proposal is necessary to bring the airport into compliance with Federal Aviation Administration safety requirements.

The construction of the runway safety area would require placement of approximately 7000 cubic yards of fill material into 1,350' of Chapman Run in order to relocate the channel away from the extended runway safety area. A new channel, measuring 1,350' x 40' x 3', would be constructed approximately 135' south-southeast of the original channel. Natural channel design techniques will be incorporated into the relocated stream channel. The channel would be constructed with 4:1 side slopes and seeded with rock channel protection and low growing vegetation in accordance with FAA regulations. Various sized rocks and boulders would be placed into the stream channel to create pool/riffle complexes. A floodplain, measuring 40' from the top of each bank, would be established along the stream channel. The streambanks and floodplain would be mowed in order to avoid creating habitat that would attract wildlife per FAA regulations. The proposal would also include the extension of an existing culvert within an unnamed tributary of Chapman Run in order to facilitate construction of the safety zone. The extension would consist of the installation of a three-sided aluminum box culvert into 120' of the unnamed tributary. In order to facilitate construction of a ramp and associated taxiway required to access land adjacent to the airport, a 42" concrete pipe culvert would be placed into 350' of an unnamed tributary of Chapman Run. The proposed airport improvements would result in impacts to 1,820' (1.27 acre) of waters of the United States.

MITIGATION: Mitigation for the proposal would consist of the reconstruction of 1,350' of stream channel in the proposed manner described above.

Plans of the proposed work are attached to this notice.

A Section 401 Water Quality Certification is required for this project. It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain the certification from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES: The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted and it has been determined that there are no properties within the project area listed on the register. A copy of this public notice will be furnished to the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office for their review. Comments concerning archeological sensitivity of a project area should be based upon collected data.

ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES: The project is located within the known or historic range of the following endangered species:

Indiana bat
Bald eagle

The Huntington District has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project is not likely to affect the continued existence of these species as habitat conducive for these species is not located at the site. 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).

PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW AND COMMENT: Any person who has an interest that may be adversely affected by the issuance of a permit may request a public hearing. The request must be submitted in writing to the District Engineer on or before the expiration date of this notice and must clearly set forth the interest which may be adversely affected and the manner in which the interest may be adversely affected by the activity. This application will be reviewed in accordance with 33 CFR 320-331, the Regulatory Program of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and other pertinent laws, regulations, and executive orders. Our evaluation will also follow the guidelines published by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 404(b) (1) of the CWA. 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 that reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors that may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; of those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, 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 and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of

property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Written statements on these factors received in this office on or before the expiration date of this public notice will become a part of the record and will be considered in the final determination. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS: 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. For accuracy and completeness of the administrative record, all data in support of or in opposition to the proposed work should be submitted in writing setting forth sufficient detail to furnish a clear understanding of the reasons for support or opposition. 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.

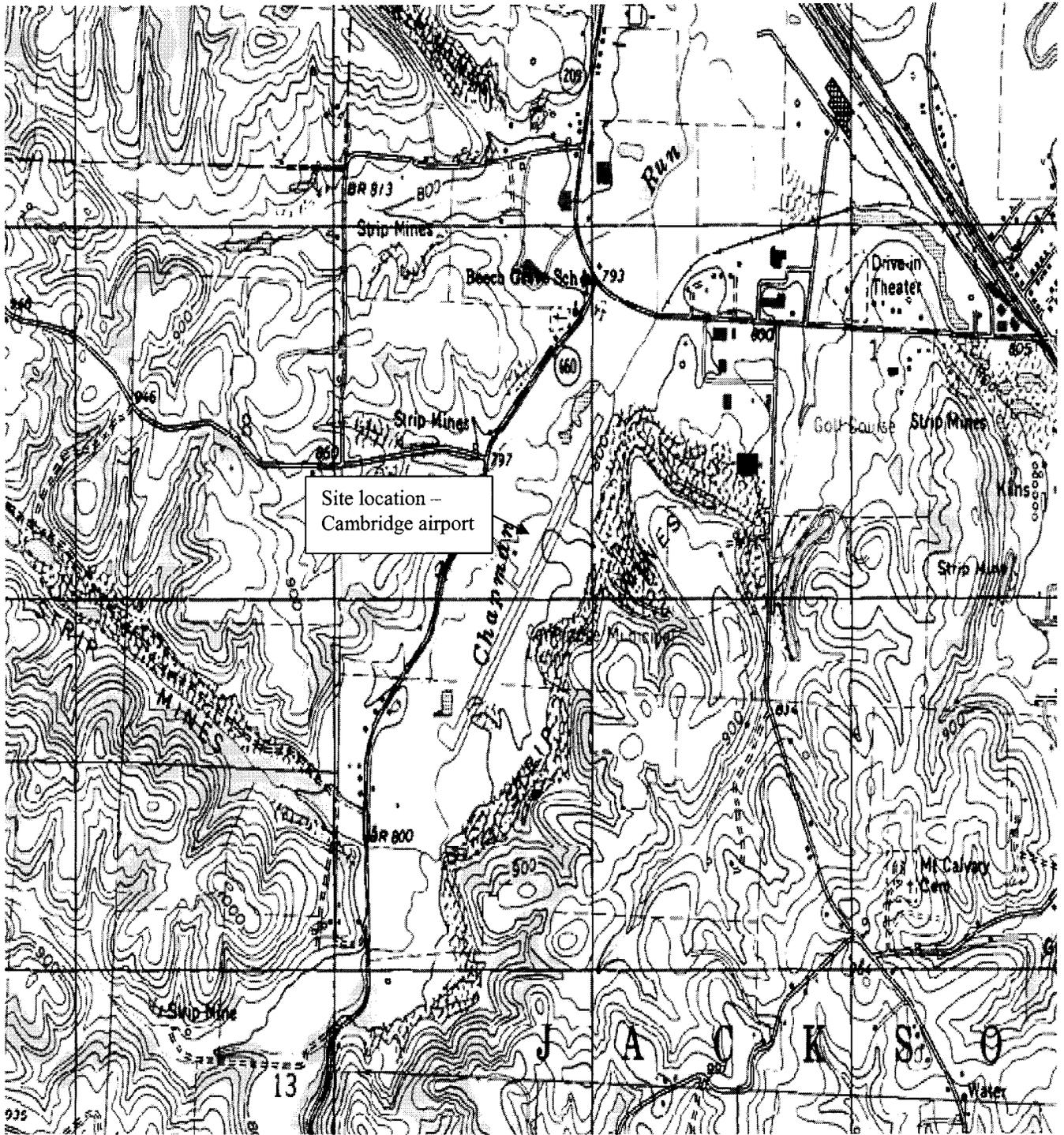
CLOSE OF COMMENT PERIOD: All comments pertaining to this Public Notice must reach this office on or before the close of the comment period listed on page one of this Public Notice. If no comments are received by that date, it will be considered that there are no objections. Comments and requests for additional information should be submitted to:

Kimberly Courts-Brown, Regulatory Project Manager
North Regulatory Section, CELRH-OR-FN
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Huntington District
502 Eighth Street
Huntington, West Virginia 25701-2070.

Please note names and addresses of those who submit comments in response to this public notice may be made publicly available. Thank you for your interest in our nation's water resources. If you have any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Kimberly Courts-Brown of the North Regulatory Section at 304-399-5210.


Ginger Mullins, Chief
Regulatory Branch

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Topographic Map –
 Cambridge Municipal Airport,
 Guernsey County, Ohio

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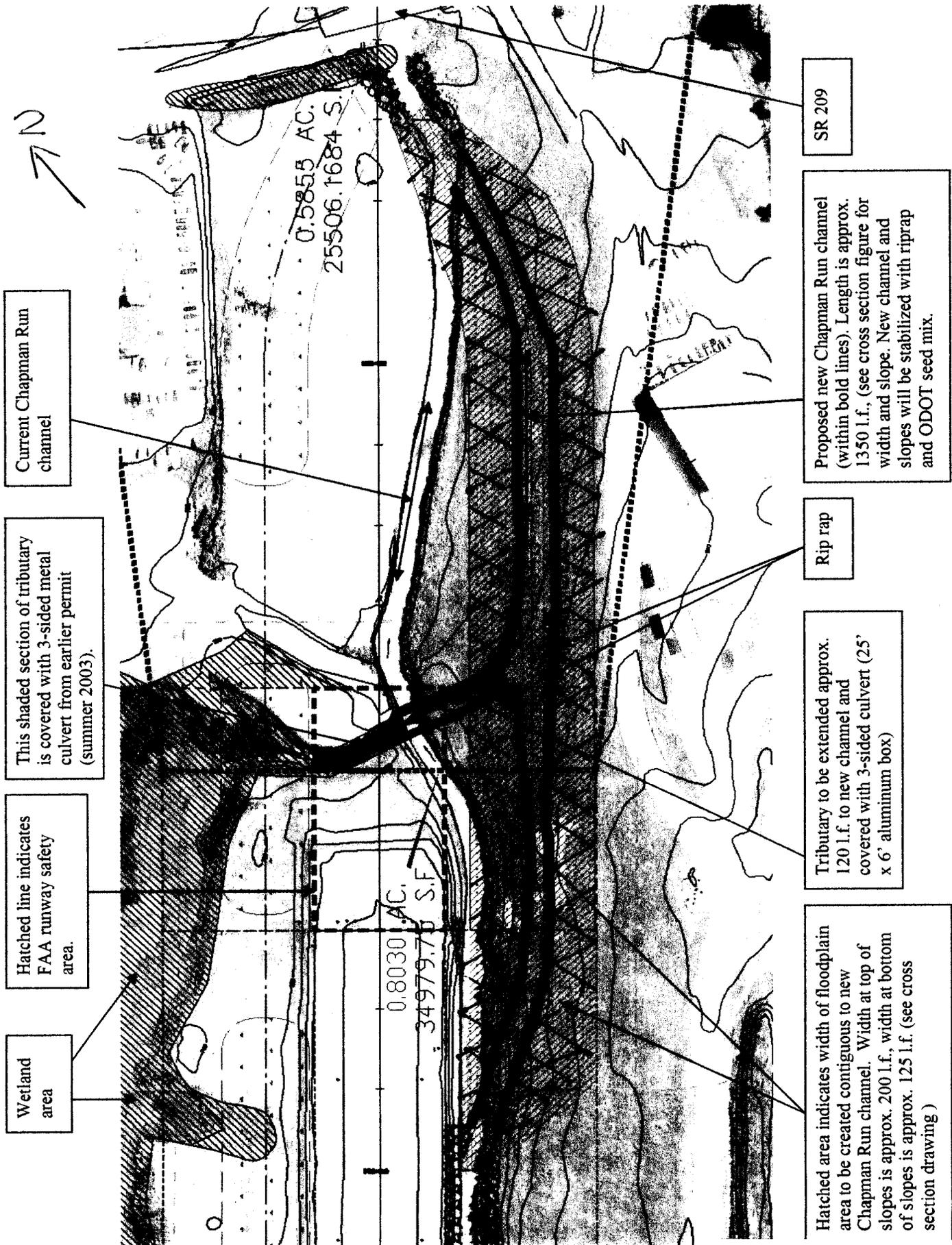


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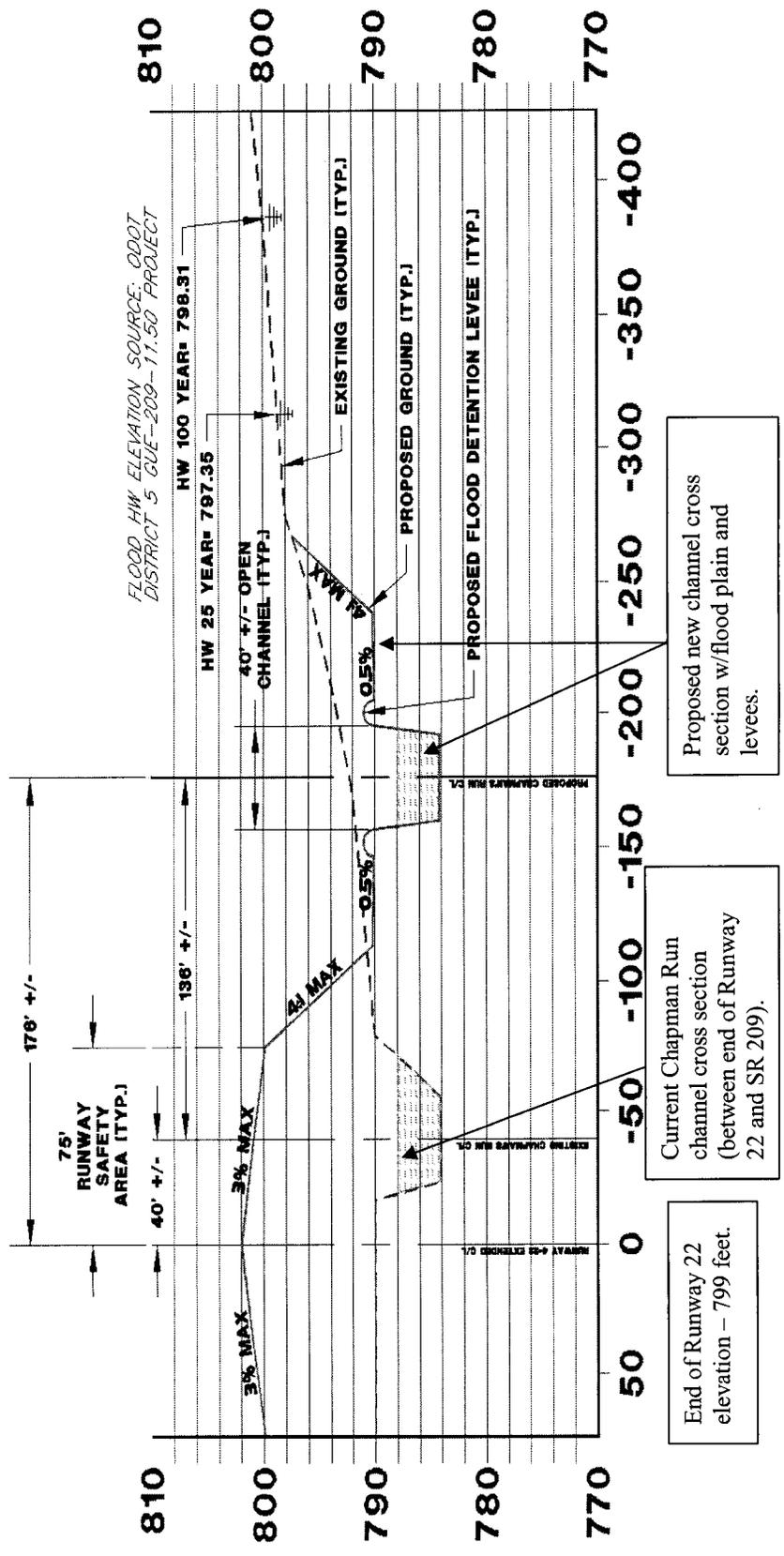
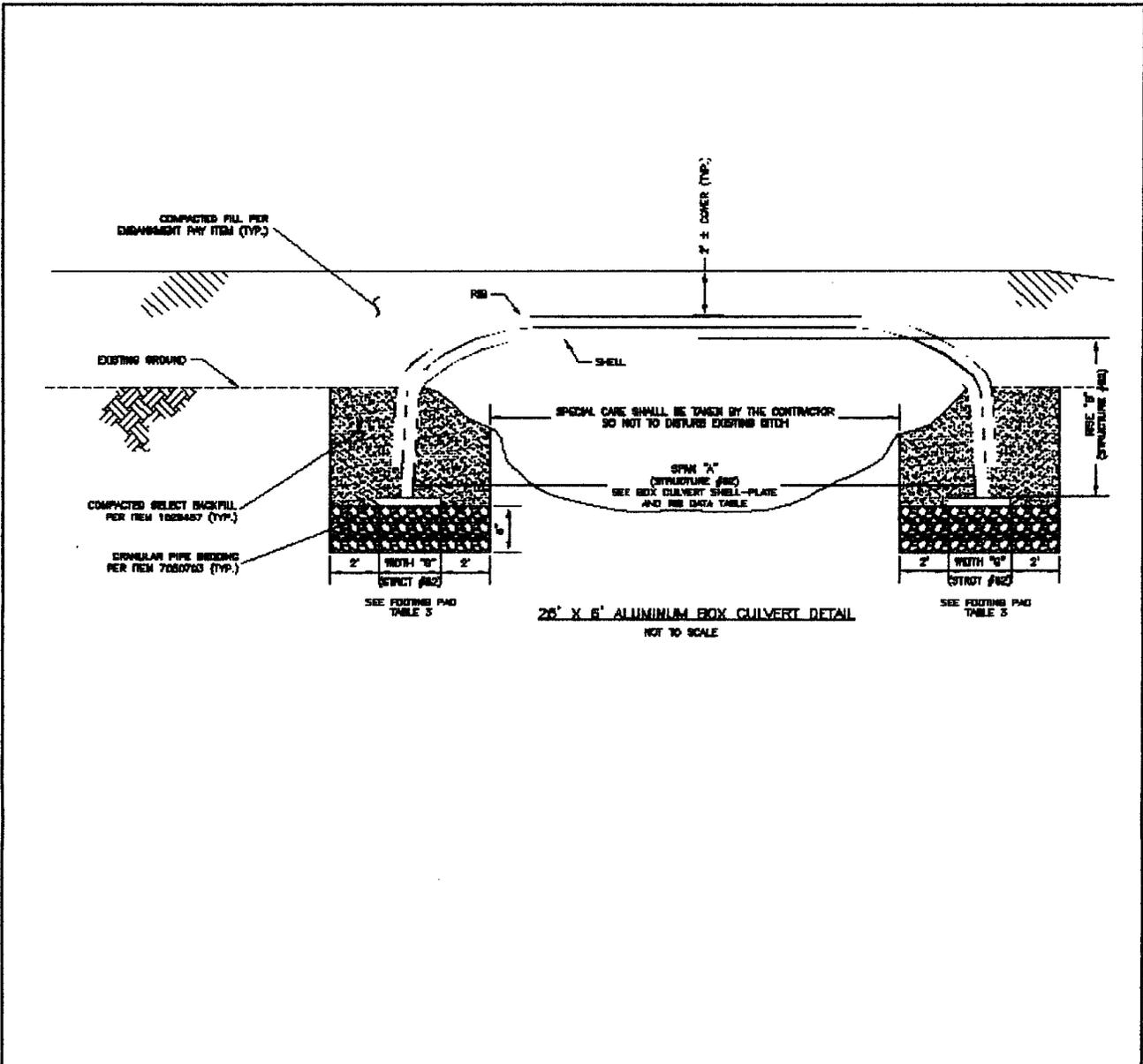
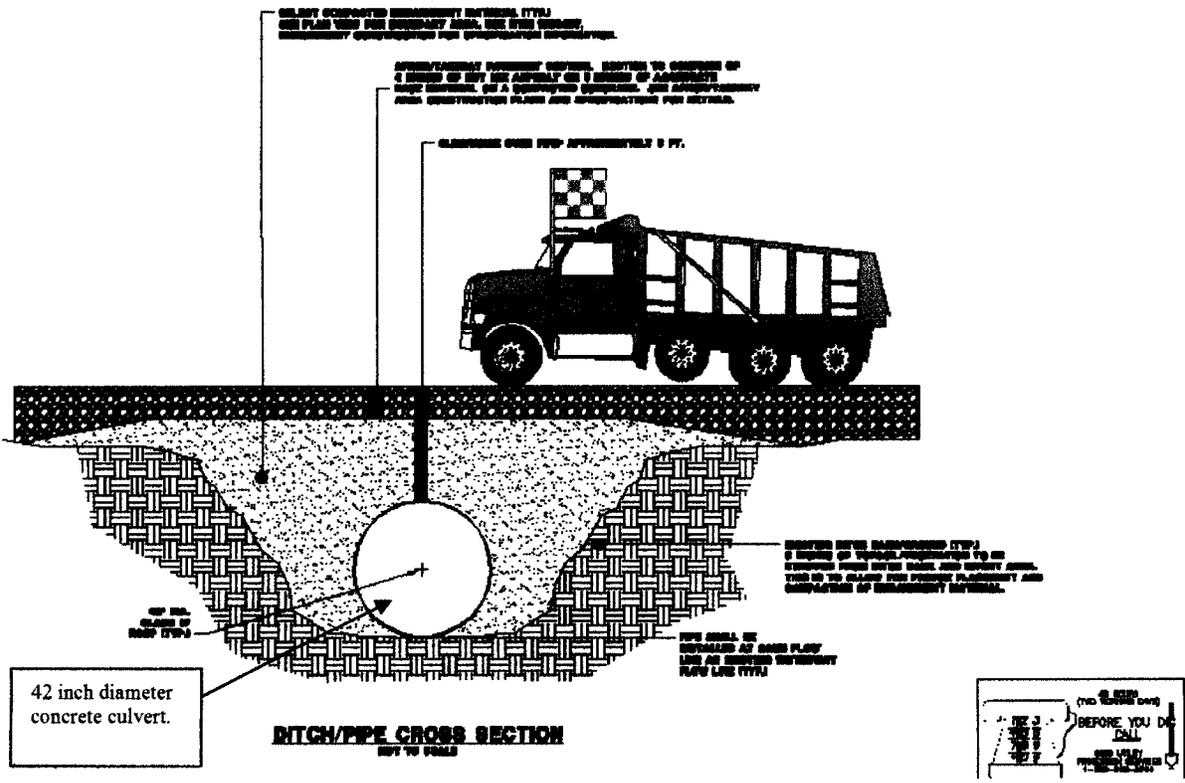


Figure 4 (6)



	<p style="text-align: center;">Figure 4.0 Runway 22 Safety Improvements – Chapman Run tributary Culvert design</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cambridge Municipal Airport 9732 Brick Church Rd. Cambridge, Ohio 43725-9420</p>
<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; letter-spacing: 0.5em;">WATTERSON</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px;">ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP</p>	<p>Prepared For: Cambridge Area Regional Airport Authority</p> <hr/> <p>Project No.: 80356.02</p>

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	<p align="center">Figure 6.0 New Ramp – Culvert Cross Section (revised from earlier permit dated October 7, 2004)</p>
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