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# PUBLIC NOTICE 11-141a

All interested parties are herein notified that the Commander, Eleventh Coast Guard District, has received application materials, dated January 11, 2024, from the City of Sacramento for approval of location and plans for a new bridge over a navigable waterway of the United States.

**BRIDGE, WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** New "C" Street (replacement "I" Street) highway drawbridge across the Sacramento River, mile 59.5, between the cities of West Sacramento, Yolo County and Sacramento, Sacramento County, California. 38° 35' 21.3" N, 121° 30' 21.3" W.

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** The City of Sacramento proposes to construct the new "C" Street (replacement "I" Street) drawbridge across the Sacramento River to replace the vehicle crossing that is currently accommodated by the existing "I" Street drawbridge. The shift in vehicle traffic to the new drawbridge will allow for removal of a series of functionally obsolete or structurally deficient vehicle approach bridges at the "I" Street drawbridge. The new drawbridge also would reduce future traffic congestion, improve operations and safety, serve multiple modes of transportation, and comply with current American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Caltrans, and local agency design standards. The proposed new "C" Street bridge will be approximately 1,050 feet upriver from the existing "I" Street bridge. The ownriver "I" Street bridge's horizontal clearance will be 146 feet greater than the downriver "I" Street bridge's horizontal clearance. The existing "I" Street drawbridge will remain as a rail bridge.

## MINIMUM NAVIGATIONAL CLEARANCES:

The proposed new bridge will have clearances as described in the table below. These clearances represent an increase in horizontal clearance and no change in vertical clearance from current clearances over this section of the waterway at or near this mile.

	Closed Position	Fully Open Position
Vertical	28.04 feet above Mean High Water elevation of 10.7 feet	81.87 feet above Mean High Water elevation of 10.7 feet
Horizontal	282 feet Measured normal to the centerline of the channel	282 feet Measured normal to the centerline of the channel

#### MINIMUM NAVIGATIONAL CLEARANCES DURING CONSTRUCTION:

Between May 1 and July 1 (approximately 60 days) of the fourth construction season, falsework will be in place to facilitate installation of the lift span.

	Temporary Falsework
Vertical	25.35 feet above Mean High Water elevation of 10.7 feet
Horizontal	269 feet

Datum: NAVD88

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is the lead Federal agency for satisfying the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Caltrans is acting on behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard for all environmental control laws. An Environmental Assessment with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued on June 10, 2019, pursuant to NEPA, as amended. The U.S. Coast Guard has tentatively determined that the proposed action will not have a significant impact for the purposes of NEPA and plans to issue a FONSI for the project. Documents are available for review at the above address, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, for this project was issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board on March 9, 2023. No wetlands will be taken or affected by this project.

The bridge is located in the floodplain. The 100-year flood elevation is 32.42 feet and the elevation of the low member of the navigation span is 38.74 feet in the closed-to-navigation position. Elevations are referenced to NAVD88 datum. Approximately 257 cubic yards of fill material will be placed below ordinary high-water elevation of 19 feet for the construction of the bridge and approaches.

## **SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS:**

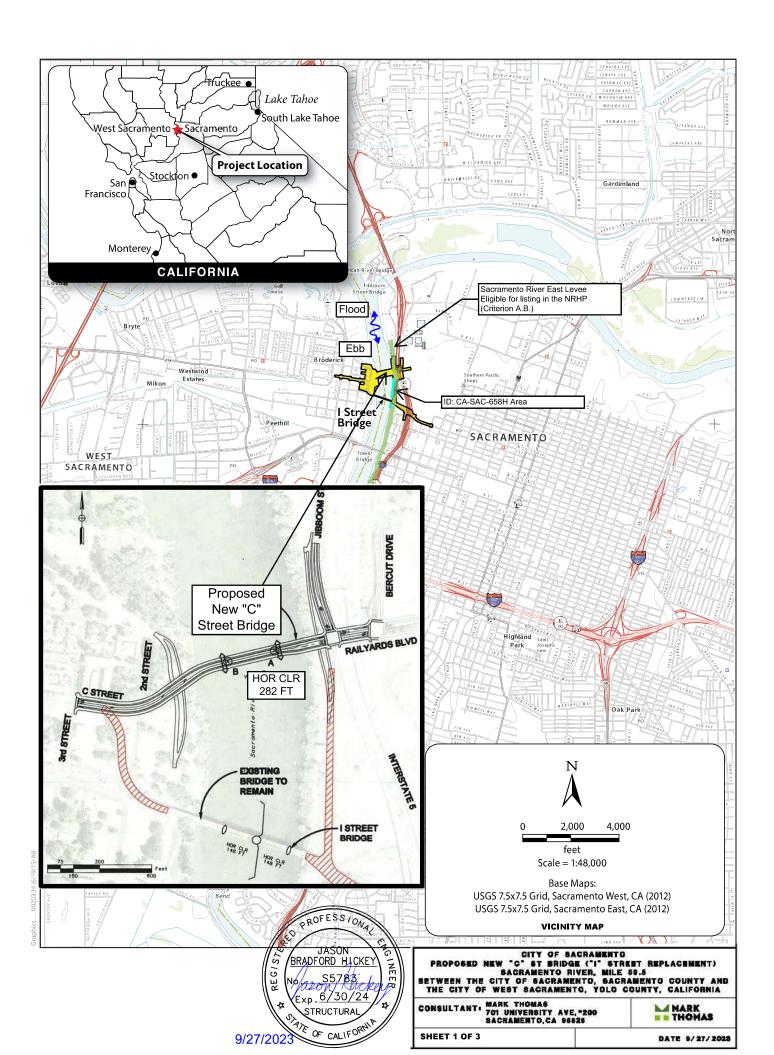
Mariners are requested to comment on the proposed navigation clearances and other navigational safety issues, including need for clearance gauges and extent of nighttime navigation to determine the need for bridge lighting. Interested parties are requested to express their views, in writing, on the proposed bridge project including its possible impacts to navigation.

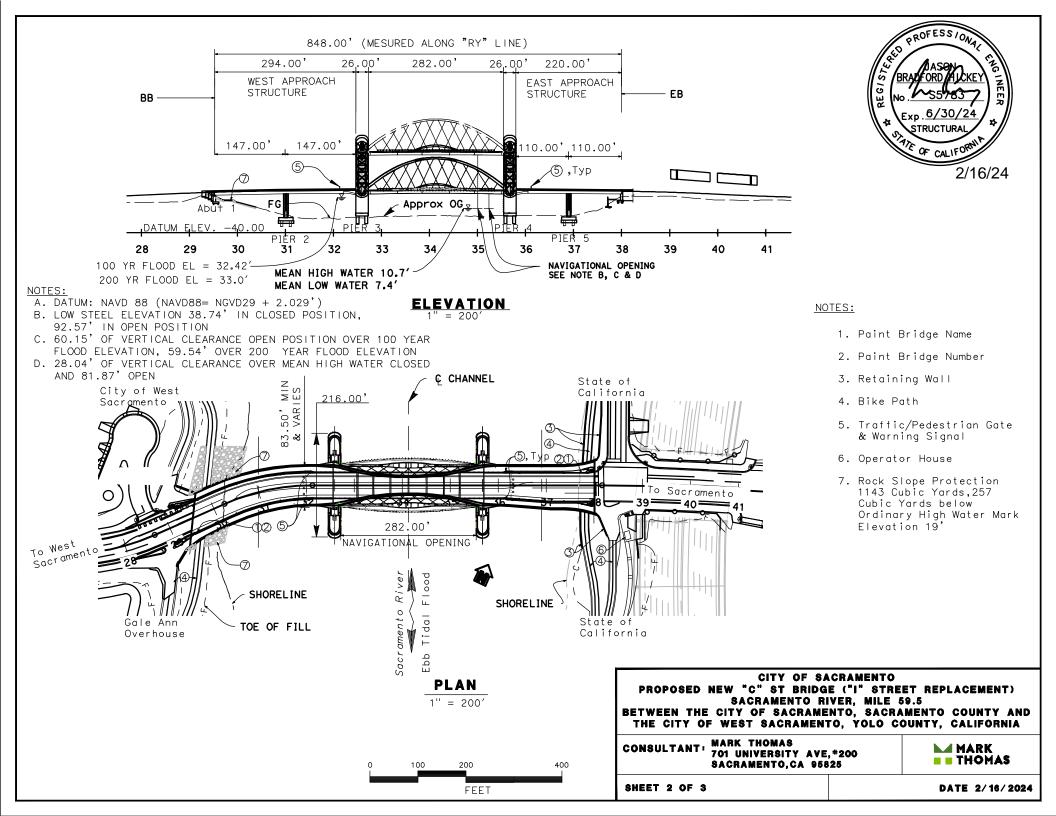
We will forward comments of an environmental nature such as those regarding wildlife refuges, public parks, historic sites, wetlands, floodplain issues, air, water quality, environmental justice,

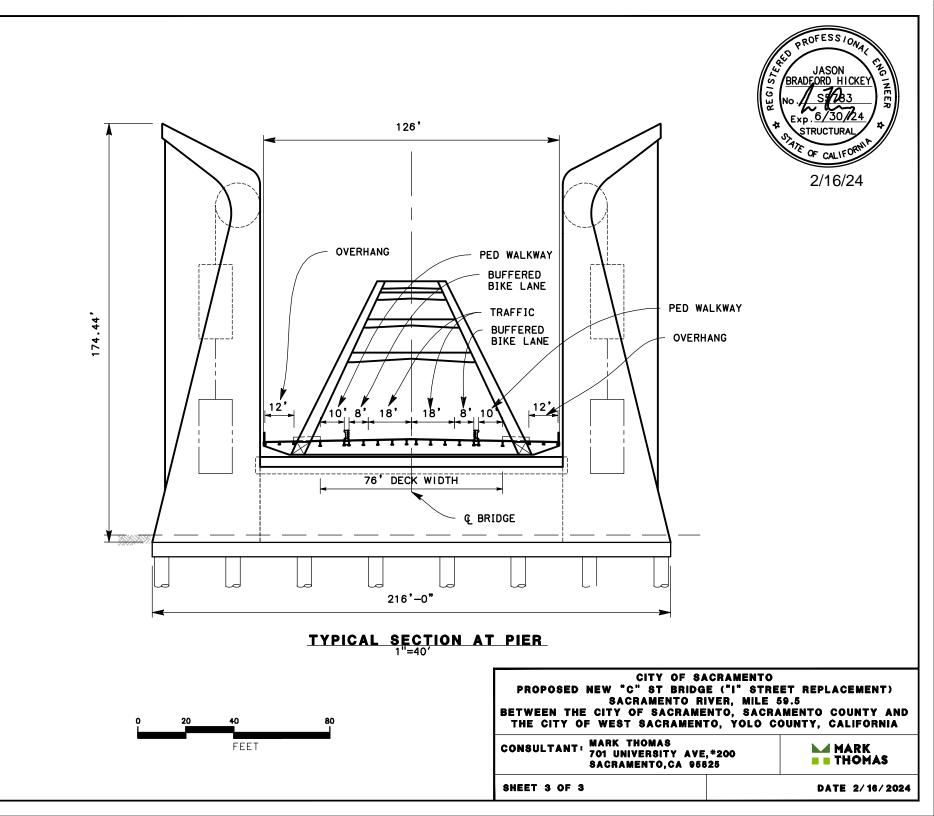
etc. to the lead Federal agency. Comments will be received for the record at the address noted in the header or via email at D11Bridges@uscg.mil through June 10, 2024.

Map of location and plans attached.

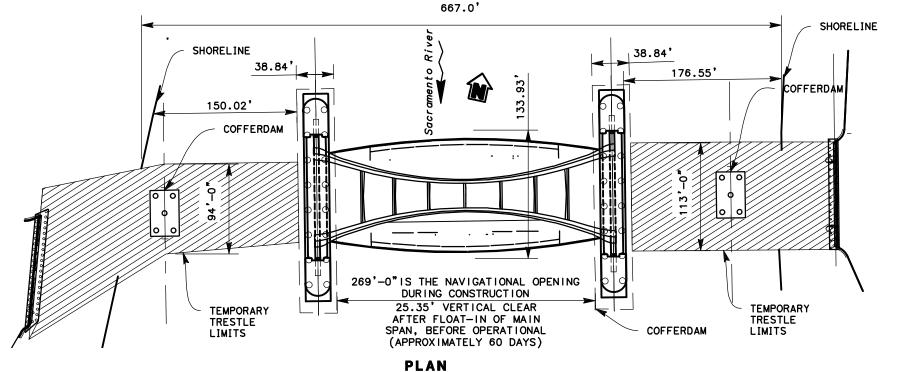
CARL T. HAUSNER Chief, Bridge Section Eleventh Coast Guard District By direction of the District Commander















TEMPORARY STRUCTURES ANTICIPATED DURING CONSTRUCTION

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