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PUBLIC NOTICE 01-25

All interested parties are herein notified that the Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District, has received application materials dated November 13, 2024 from CSX Transportation for approval of location and plans for the replacement of a bridge over a navigable waterway of the United States.

BRIDGE, WATERWAY AND LOCATION: CSX Railroad Bridge across the Savannah River, mile point 60.9, near Clyo, Georgia, and Garnett, South Carolina (32.524817, -81.262823).

CHARACTER OF WORK: CSX is requesting to remove regulation 33 CFR 117.371(c) to end the requirement that the bridge "shall open on signal if at least 48 hours of advance notice is given". This is considered a bridge replacement because the bridge is being converted from a moveable to a fixed bridge. No on-site work is to be conducted at this time.

MINIMUM NAVIGATIONAL CLEARANCES:

The bridge will have clearances as described in the table below. These clearances are the same as current clearances over this section of the waterway at or near this mile. Vertical clearance is from low member elevation to mean high water.

	Vertical	Horizontal
Existing (Movable)	Open- Unlimited Closed – 27.9'	Open – 103' Closed – 103'
Proposed (Fixed)	27.9'	103'

Datum: NAVD88

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Coast Guard, as the lead Federal agency, has made a tentative determination that the bridge replacement warrants a categorical exclusion for the purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) because it satisfies criteria for such actions listed in the USCG's NEPA Implementing Instructions and the Department of Homeland Security Directive 023-01 (series). Documents are available for review online at [NAVCEN District 7](#) or at the above address, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Preliminary analysis indicates that the project would not result in adverse effects as described in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 due to the lack of on-site work.

The requirement for a water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, for this project was waived by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division on October 17, 2024 and the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services on October 14, 2024. No wetland will be taken or affected by this project.

The bridge is located in the floodplain. The 100-year flood elevation is 34.2' feet, while elevation of the low member of the navigation span is 48.63'; elevations are referenced to NAVD88 datum. No fill material will be placed below MHW level for the construction of the bridge and approaches.

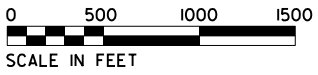
Due to the lack of on-site activities, the project will have no affect based on federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations such as the Coastal Zone Management Act, Endangered Species Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Act, National Historic Preservation Act, etc.).

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS:

Mariners are requested to comment on the proposed navigation clearances, placement of a bridge protective system and other navigational safety issues, including need for clearance gauges and extent of nighttime navigation to determine the need for bridge lighting. Other interested parties are requested to express their views, in writing, on the proposed bridge project including its possible impacts to the environmental and navigation, giving sufficient detail to establish a clear understanding of the reasons for support of, or opposition to, the proposed work. Comments will be received for the record at the office of: Commander (dpb), Seventh Coast Guard District, 909 SE 1st Ave., Ste. 432, Miami, Florida 33131-3028 or via email at: Maxwell.C.Utter@uscg.mil, for a 30-day period from the date of this public notice. Comments received will be made part of the project administrative record.

Map of location and plans attached.

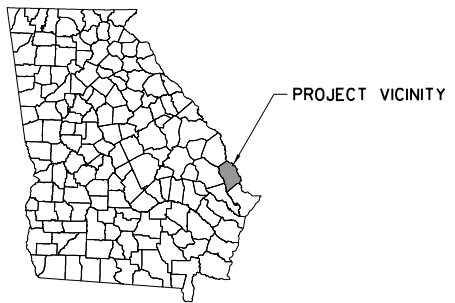
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Bridge Management Specialist
By direction of the Commander,
United States Coast Guard Seventh District



PROJECT LOCATION MAP

NOTES

1. PERMITTING ACTION - PERMANENTLY REMOVE THE REGULATION GOVERNING BRIDGE OPERATIONS, AT THE CSX CROSSING OVER SAVANNAH RIVER IN EFFINGHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA FROM 33 CFR 117.324.
2. THERE ARE NO WILDLIFE AND WATERFOWL REFUGES OR HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROJECT.
3. DIMENSIONS AND ELEVATIONS ARE BASED ON HISTORICAL INFORMATION AND MAY VARY IN THE FIELD.
4. DATUM FOR ELEVATIONS IS NAVD 88.



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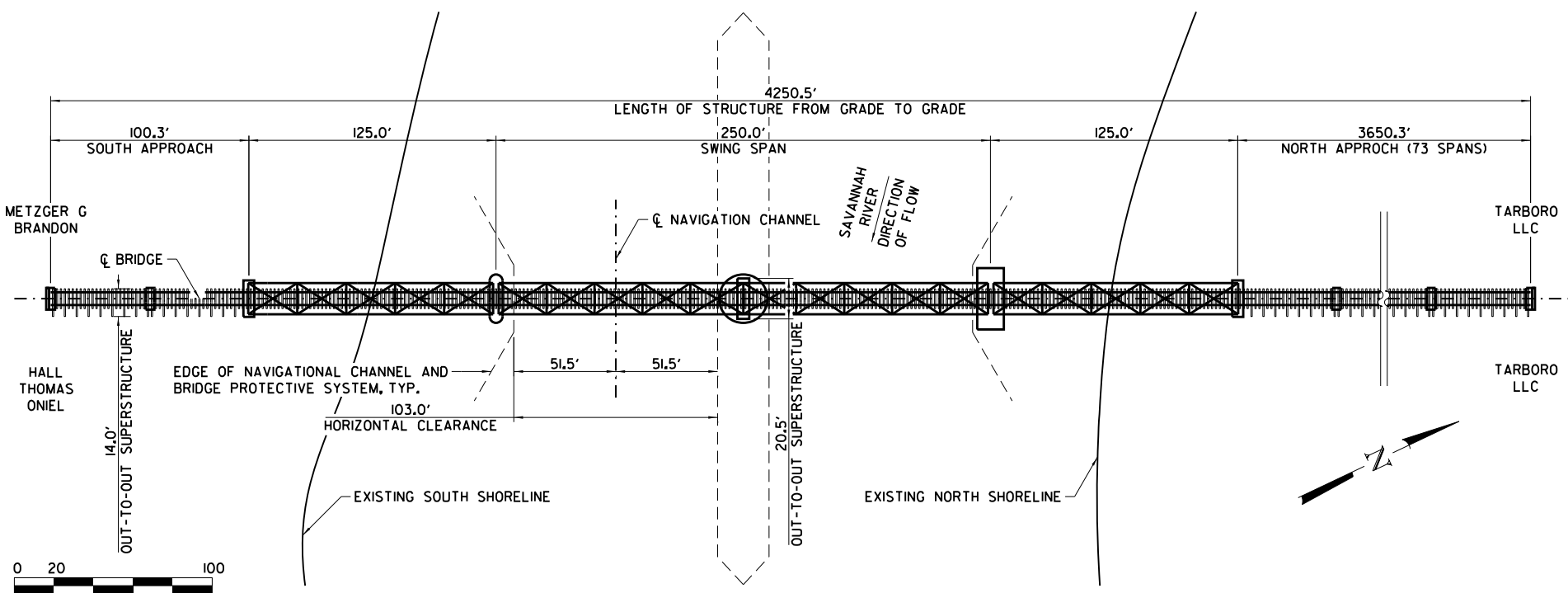


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PROJECT LOCATION MAP**

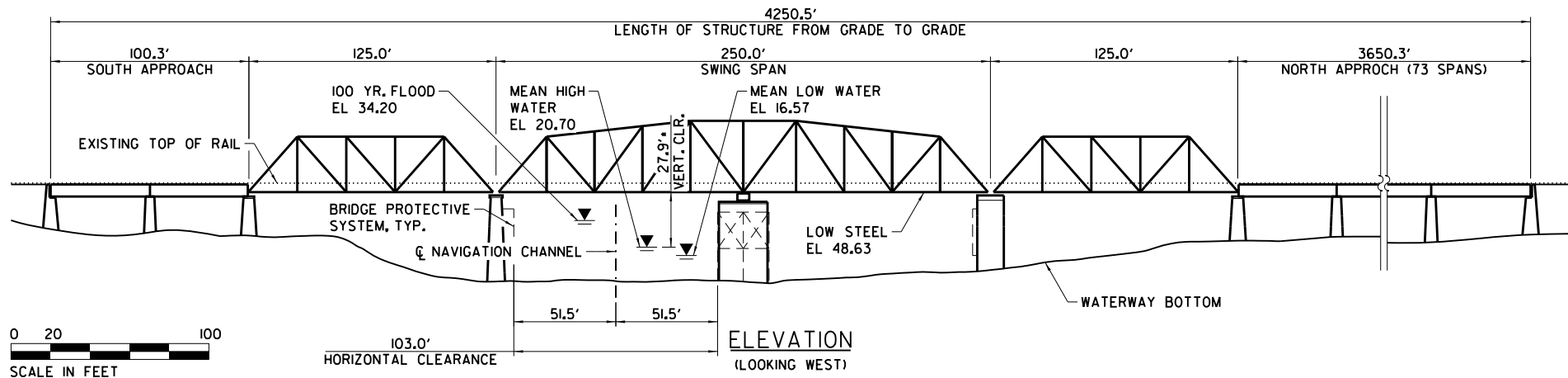
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PLAN



ELEVATION
(LOOKING WEST)

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PLAN AND ELEVATION**

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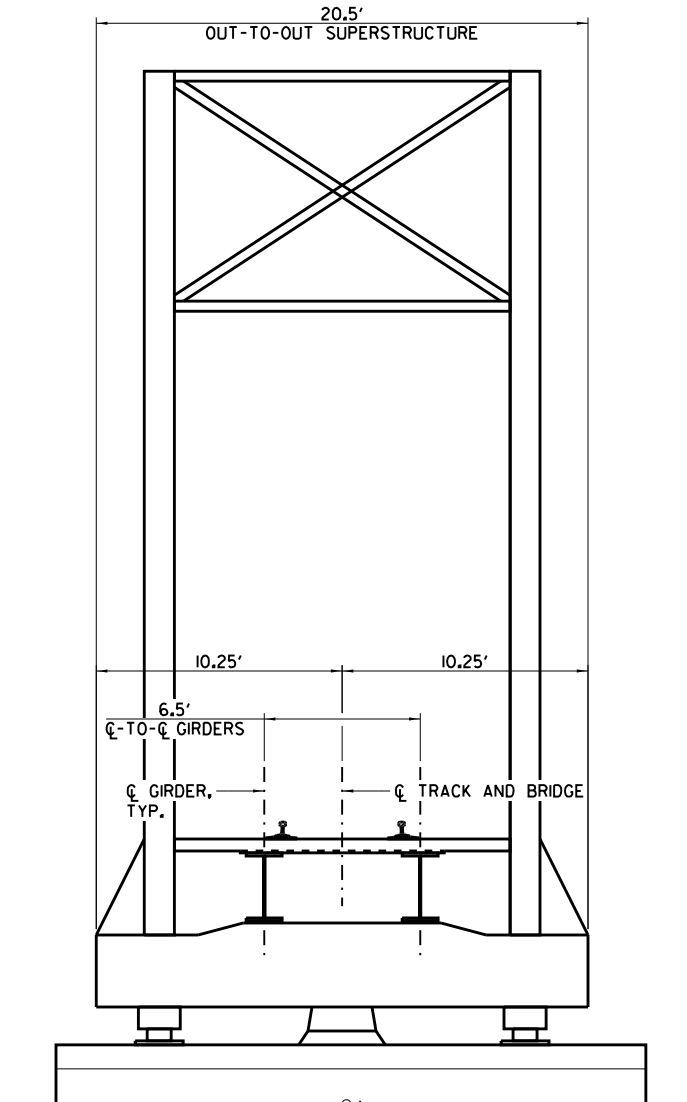
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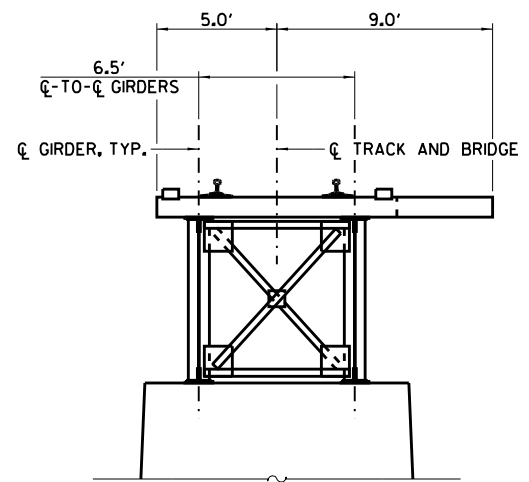


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TYPICAL SECTION - APPROACH SPAN
(LOOKING NORTH)

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