



August 29, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE (03-25)

BRIDGE PERMIT APPLICATION

All interested parties are notified that the Commander, Coast Guard Heartland District, has received application materials dated 29 April 2025 from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 3 for approval of location and plans for the replacement of a bridge over a navigable waterway of the United States.

BRIDGE, WATERWAY AND LOCATION: US 98, FL 30 DuPont Bridge over St. Andrew Bay (GIWW, MP 295.4) in Bay County, Florida.

CHARACTER OF WORK: FDOT is proposing to replace the existing US 98, FL 30 fixed bridge across St. Andrew Bay which is part of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW). The existing bridge is a fixed four-lane structure that provides 50 feet of vertical clearance over the mean high water (MHW) level where it crosses the GIWW and 150 feet of horizontal clearance between the bridge protection system. FDOT has determined that the bridge is structurally deficient, does not meet current bridge design standards or the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. FDOT is proposing to replace the bridge with a twin span bridge that has two through travel lanes in each direction, 10' inside and outside shoulders, and a 12' wide shared use path. The new Eastbound bridge will be 3490.948' long and the new Westbound bridge will be 3416.104' long. The proposed new bridge will provide a minimum 75' of vertical clearance above the mean high water level and 375' of horizontal clearance from center to center of the main channel piers. The existing bridge and fender system will be removed in its entirety.

MINIMUM NAVIGATIONAL CLEARANCES:

The proposed replacement bridge will have clearances as described in the table below. These clearances are an increase from current clearances over this section of the waterway at or near this mile.

	Existing	Proposed
Vertical	50' above Mean High Water	75' above Mean High Water
Horizontal	150'	375'

Datum: NAVD88

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS: The Florida Department of Transportation, as the lead agency, has made a tentative determination that the bridge replacement warrants an environmental assessment for the purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) because it satisfies criteria for such actions listed in the Coast Guard's NEPA Implementing Instructions. Documents are available for review electronically, Monday through Friday by appointment from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., subject to building rules.

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. No historic properties are affected. A concurrence letter was signed by Florida State Historic Preservation Officer dated 7 April 2023.

A water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, for this project was issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection state ERP individual permit on 13 August 2025.

The bridge is located in the floodplain. The 100-year flood elevation is 9 feet, while elevation of the low member of the navigation span is 18.7 feet low member, 77.2 feet low steel: elevations are referenced to NAVD88 datum. Approximately 0.05 cubic yards of material will be placed below MHW level for the construction of the bridge and approaches. Piers are outside of channel banks and should pose no hazard to navigation, including during 100-year flood events.

Submerged aquatic vegetation and surface waters will be impacted. No wetlands will be impacted.

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.

Interested parties are also requested to express their views, in writing, on the proposed bridge project including its possible environmental impacts to include those impacts on minority and/or low income populations, if any, 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 Coast Guard Heartland District, Bridge Administration Branch, at the address given in the letterhead through 1 October 2025. Plans of the proposed project are included in this public notice.

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DOUG BLAKEMORE
Chief, Bridge Administration Branch
Eighth Coast Guard District
By direction of the District Commander

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STATE ROAD NO. 30 (US 98) OVER
ST. ANDREW BAY GIWW
BRIDGE NOS. 460175 & 460176
BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
FINANCIAL PROJECT ID 442667-1-52-01 & 442667-1-52-02
FDOT CONTRACT NO. E3W23

THE BRIDGE HAS BEEN DESIGNED FOR THE FOLLOWING EQUIVALENT STATIC LATERAL VESSEL COLLISION FORCES APPLIED PER AASHTO LRFD.

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BENT 3	850	425
PIERS 4 THRU 6	2500	1250
PIERS 7 AND 8	3100	1550
PIERS 9 THRU 12	3900	1950
PIERS 13 AND 14	3100	1550
PIERS 15 THRU 17	2500	1250

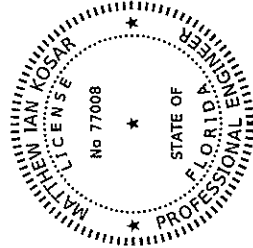
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PROPOSED BRIDGES M.P. 295.4 EHL WATERWAY
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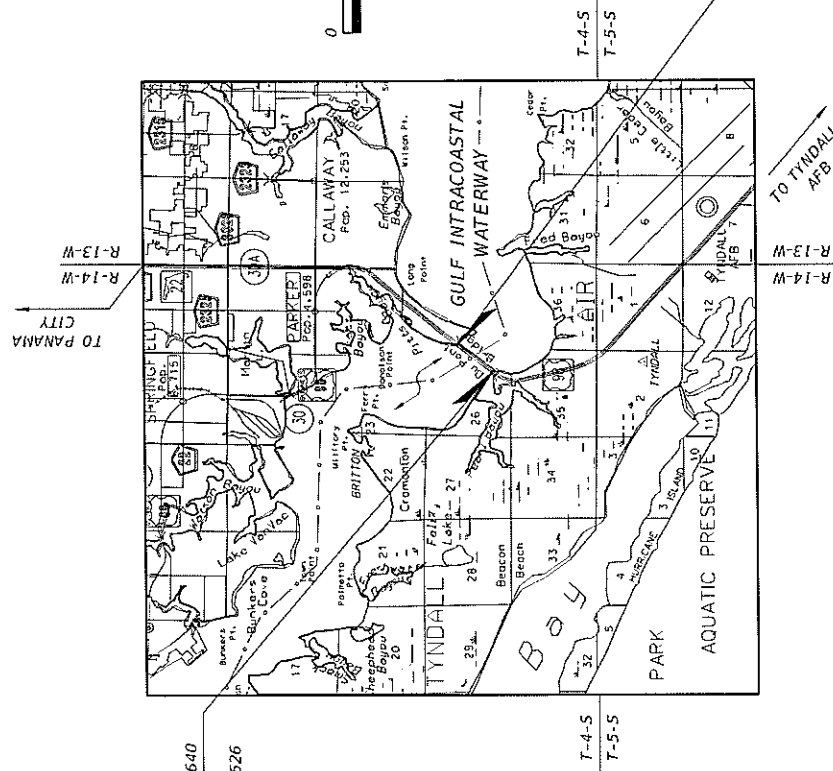
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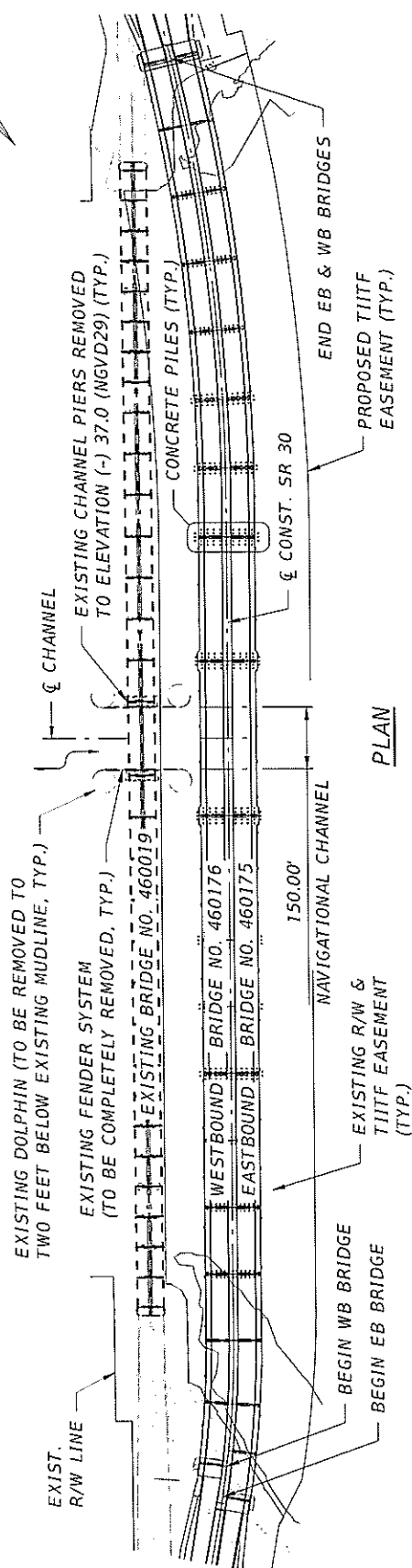
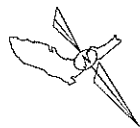


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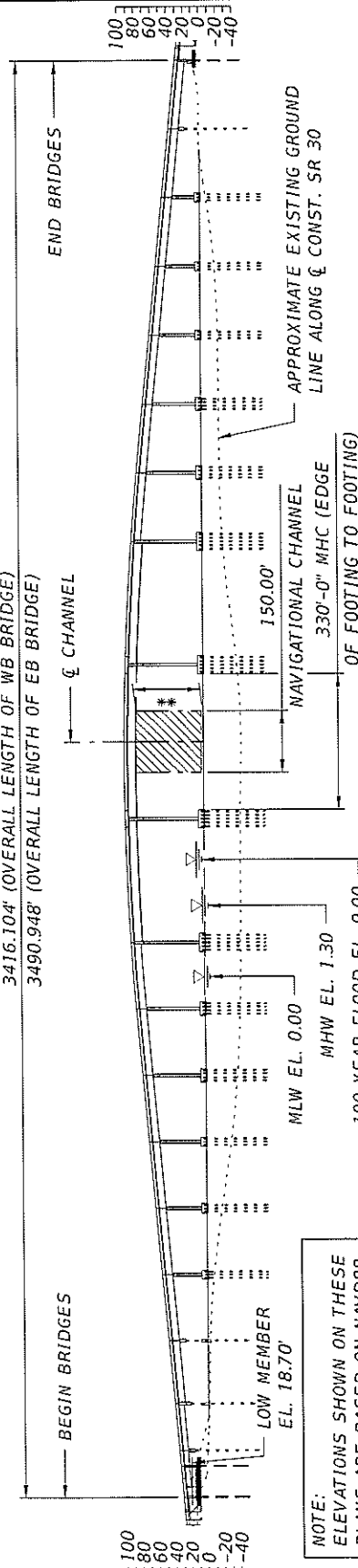


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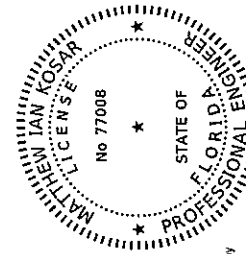
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PLANS ARE BASED ON NAVD88,
UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE

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- [Hatched Box] NAVIGATION WINDOW
- MLW = MEAN LOW WATER
- MHW = MEAN HIGH WATER
- MVC = MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCE (ABOVE MHW)
- MHC = MINIMUM HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE
- EL = ELEVATION

** MIN. NAVIGATIONAL VERTICAL
CLEARANCE = 75.0' MIN.



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APPLICANT: FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - DISTRICT 3 CONSULTANT: BCC ENGINEERING, LLC
STATE ROAD NO. 30 (US 98) DUPONT BRIDGE OVER ST. ANDREW BAY GIWW
PROPOSED BRIDGES M.P. 295.4 EHL WATERWAY BEGIN PROJECT M.P. 13.296 SR 30 BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PLAN AND ELEVATION
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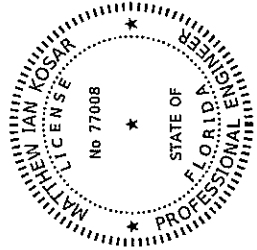
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(EASTBOUND)

TYPICAL SECTION - PROPOSED BRIDGES
(LOOKING AHEAD STATION)

* TRAFFIC RAILING 36" SINGLE-SLOPE
(FDOT STANDARD PLAN INDEX 521-427)
(TYP.)

* 42" ALUM. PEDESTRIAN / BICYCLE RAILING
WITH CONCRETE CURB (FDOT STANDARD
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