



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, GALVESTON DISTRICT
2000 FORT POINT RD
GALVESTON, TEXAS 77550

September 5, 2024

Evaluation Branch

SUBJECT: Permit No. SWG-2021-00250; Nationwide Permit Verification

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
Attn: William Rodney
1502 FM 517 E
Dickinson, TX 77539

Dear Mr. Rodney:

This is in reference to your request, dated June 24, 2024, to discharge fill composed of limestone, river rock, clean crushed concrete, and recycled oyster shell in the following quantities to create three intertidal oyster reefs along the north shore of East Galveston Bay: approximately 2,075 cubic yards of fill into approximately 11 acres of open water (west reef); approximately 3,853 cubic yards into 11 acres of open water (middle reef); and approximately 2,748 cubic yards into 8 acres of open water (east reef). The project is located in East Galveston Bay, immediately adjacent to the north shore of Moody National Wildlife Refuge approximately 7 miles east of the Smith Point Boat Ramp, Galveston County, Texas.

This request is verified by Nationwide Permit (NWP) 27 pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. This NWP verification is valid provided the activity is compliant with the enclosed plans, in 13 sheets. In addition, the activity must be in compliance with the NWP General/Regional Conditions, Section 401 Water Quality Certification, and the Coastal Management Program, which can be found at:

<https://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permits/Nationwide-General-Permits/>, a hard copy can be provided to you upon request.

NWP 27. Aquatic Habitat Restoration, Enhancement, and Establishment Activities: Activities in waters of the United States associated with the restoration, enhancement, and establishment of tidal and non-tidal wetlands and riparian areas.

The NWP verification is valid until the NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked. The subject NWPs authorized in 2021 are scheduled to be modified, reissued, or revoked prior to March 15, 2026. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. We will issue a public notice when the NWPs are reissued. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant NWP is modified or revoked, you will have 12 months from the date of the

modification or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of this NWP.

This verification does not address nor include any consideration for geographic jurisdiction on aquatic resources and shall not be interpreted as such. If you have any questions, please contact Cecilia Askins by telephone at 409-766-3856 or by electronic mail (email) cecilia.m.askins@USACE.Army.Mil. Please notify the Chief of the Compliance Branch in the Galveston District Regulatory Division in writing by email at CESWGRegulatoryInbox@USACE.Army.Mil, upon completion of the authorized project.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:



K. Marie Taylor
Leader, Central Evaluation Unit

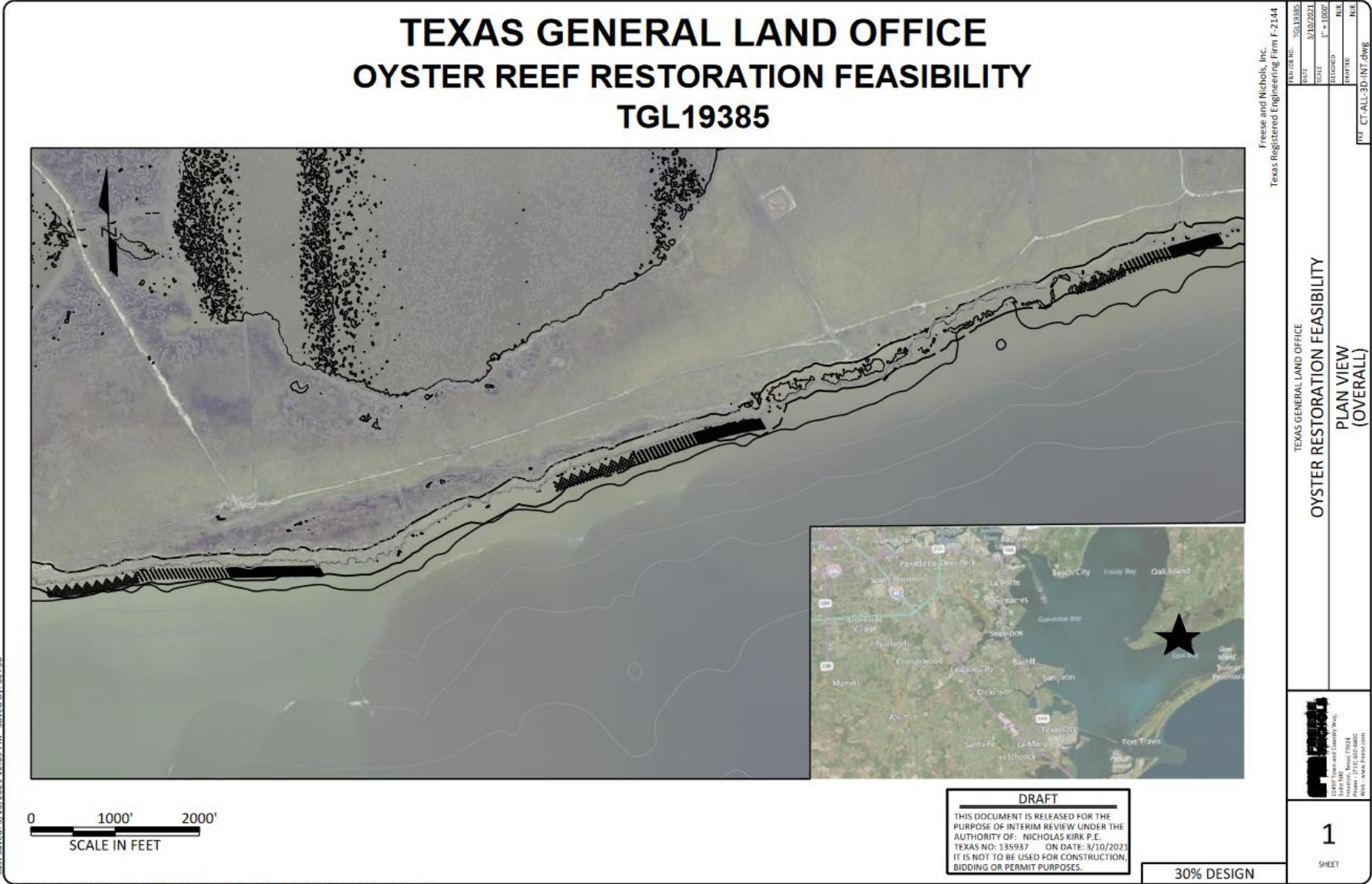
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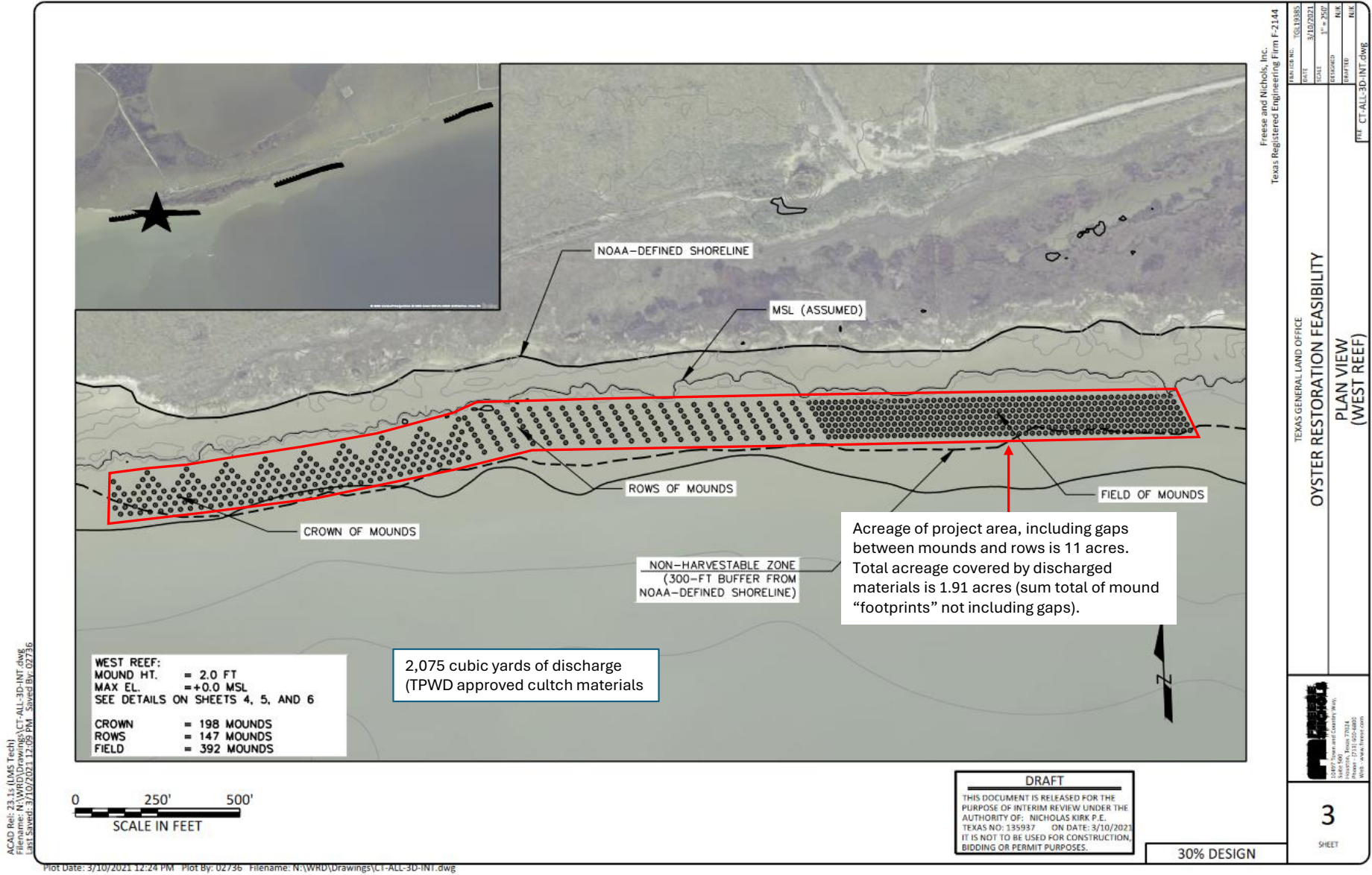
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Texas General Land Office



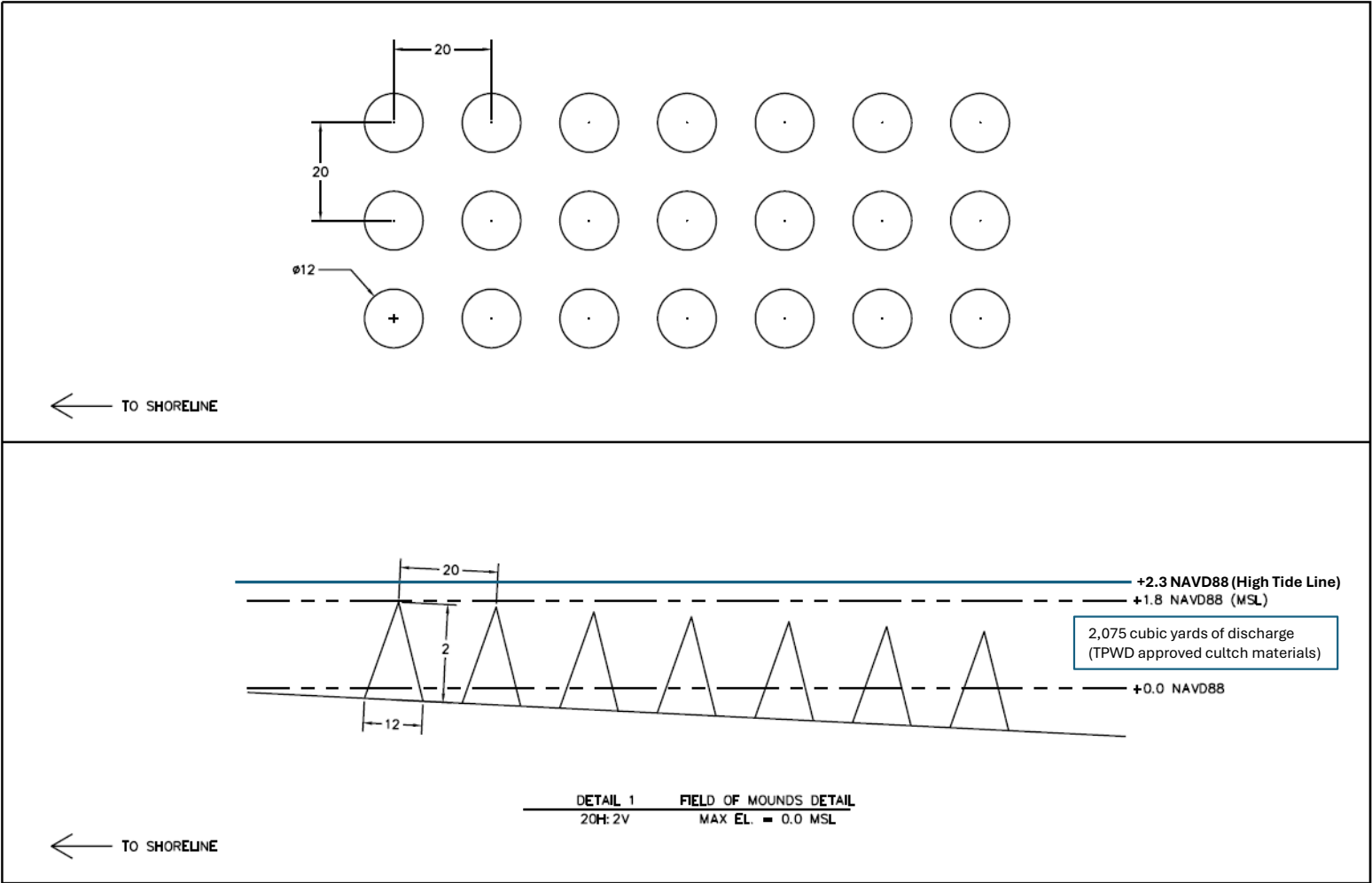
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IT IS NOT TO BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTION, BIDDING OR PERMIT PURPOSES.

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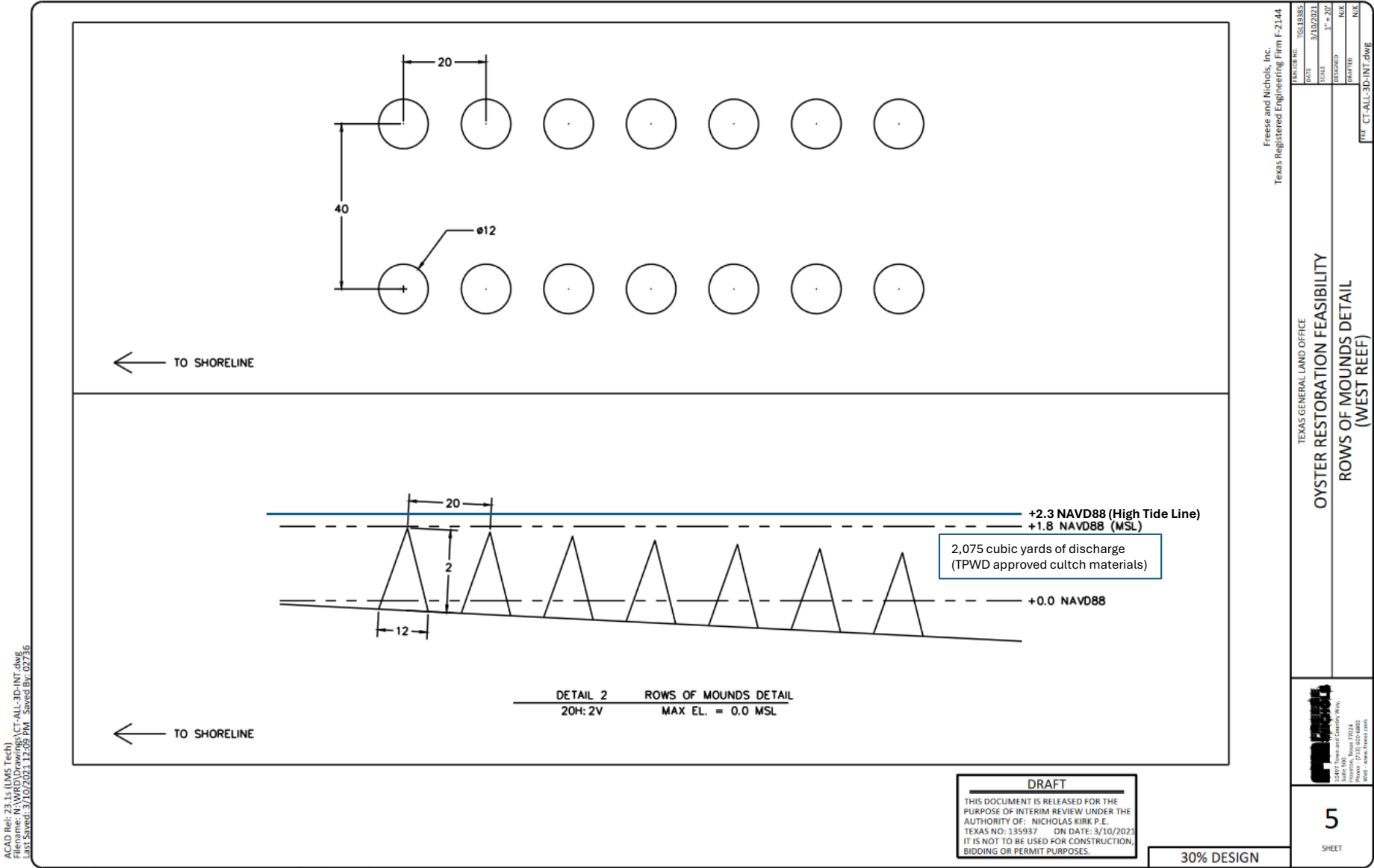
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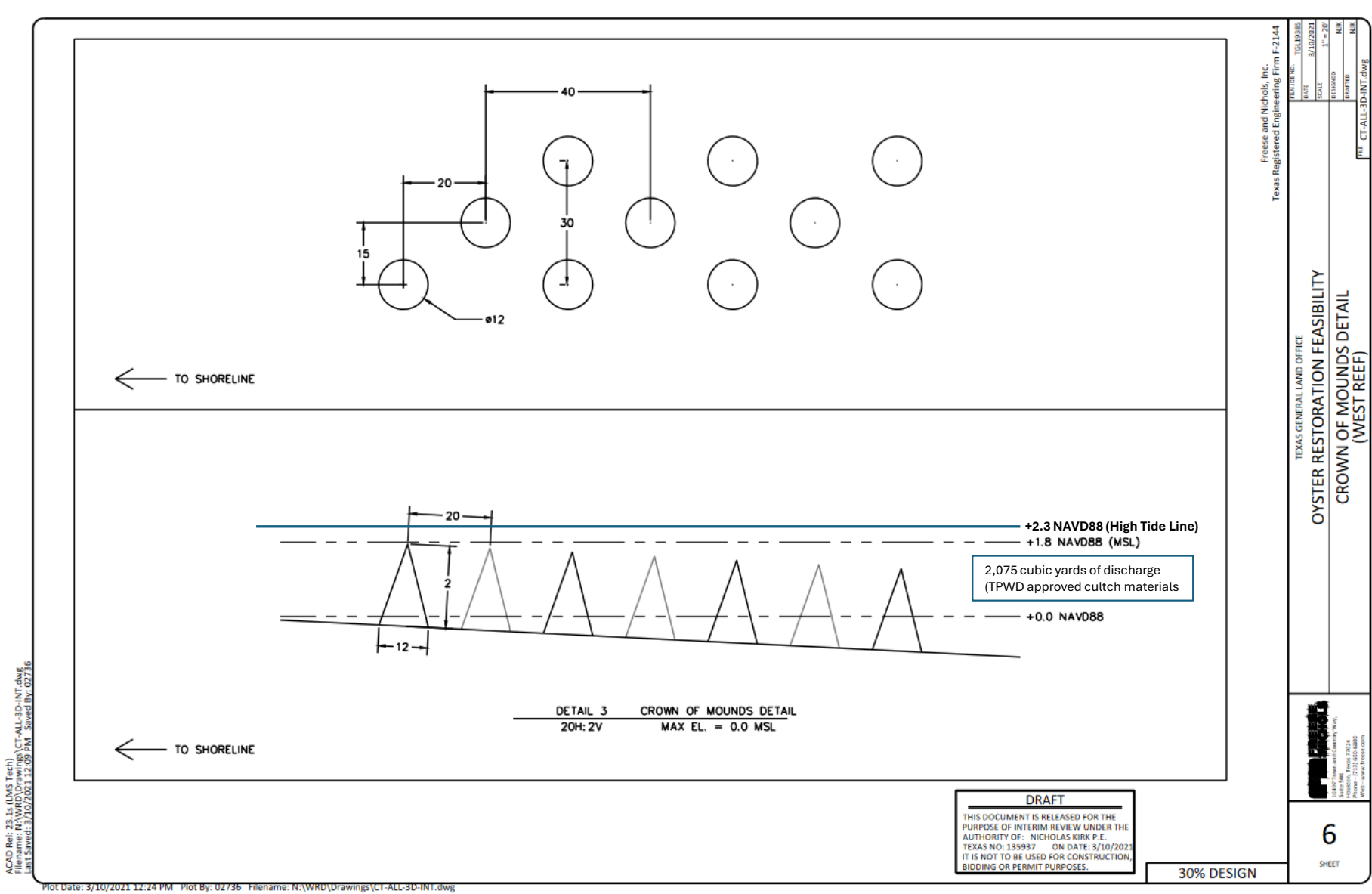
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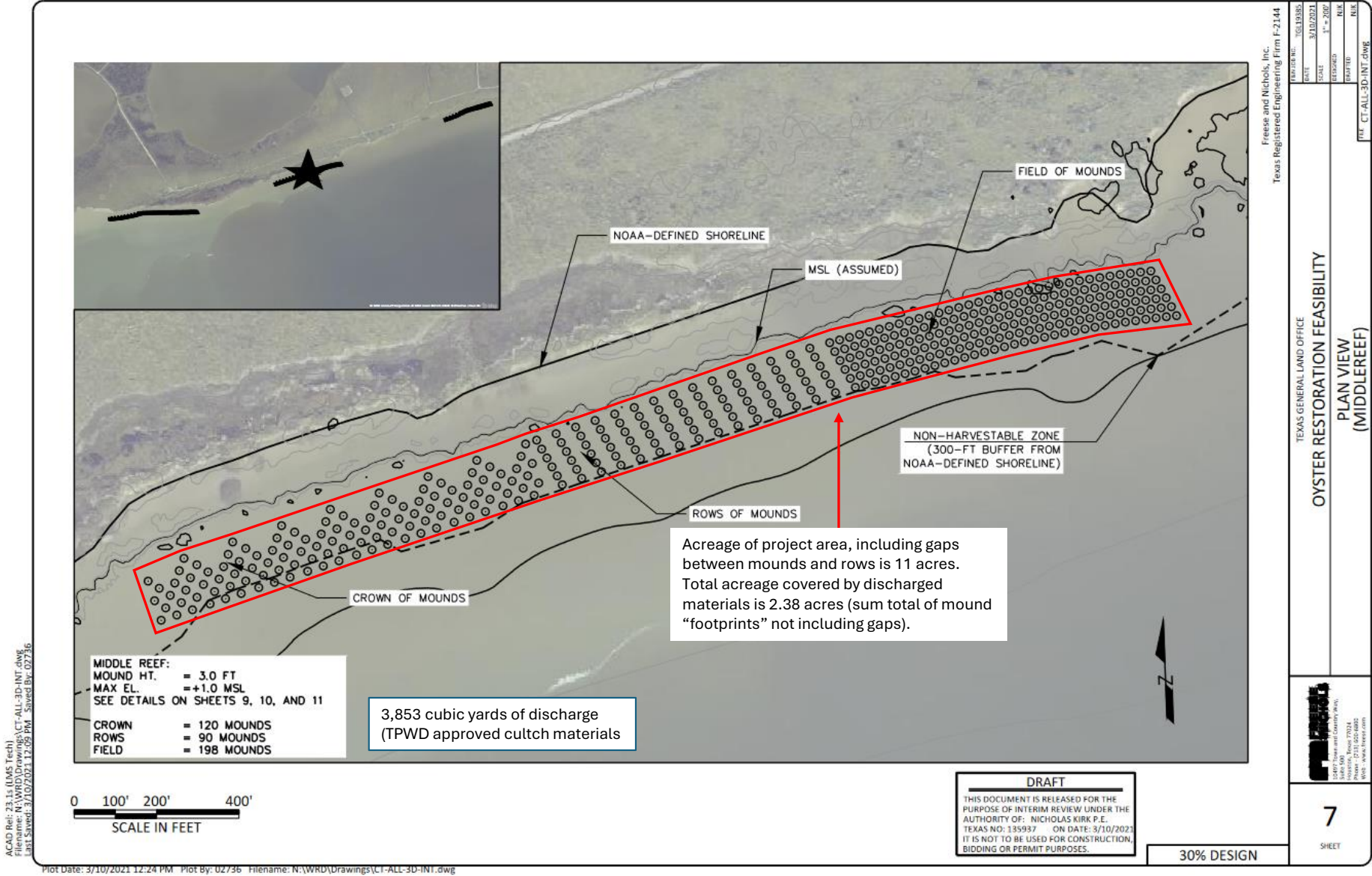
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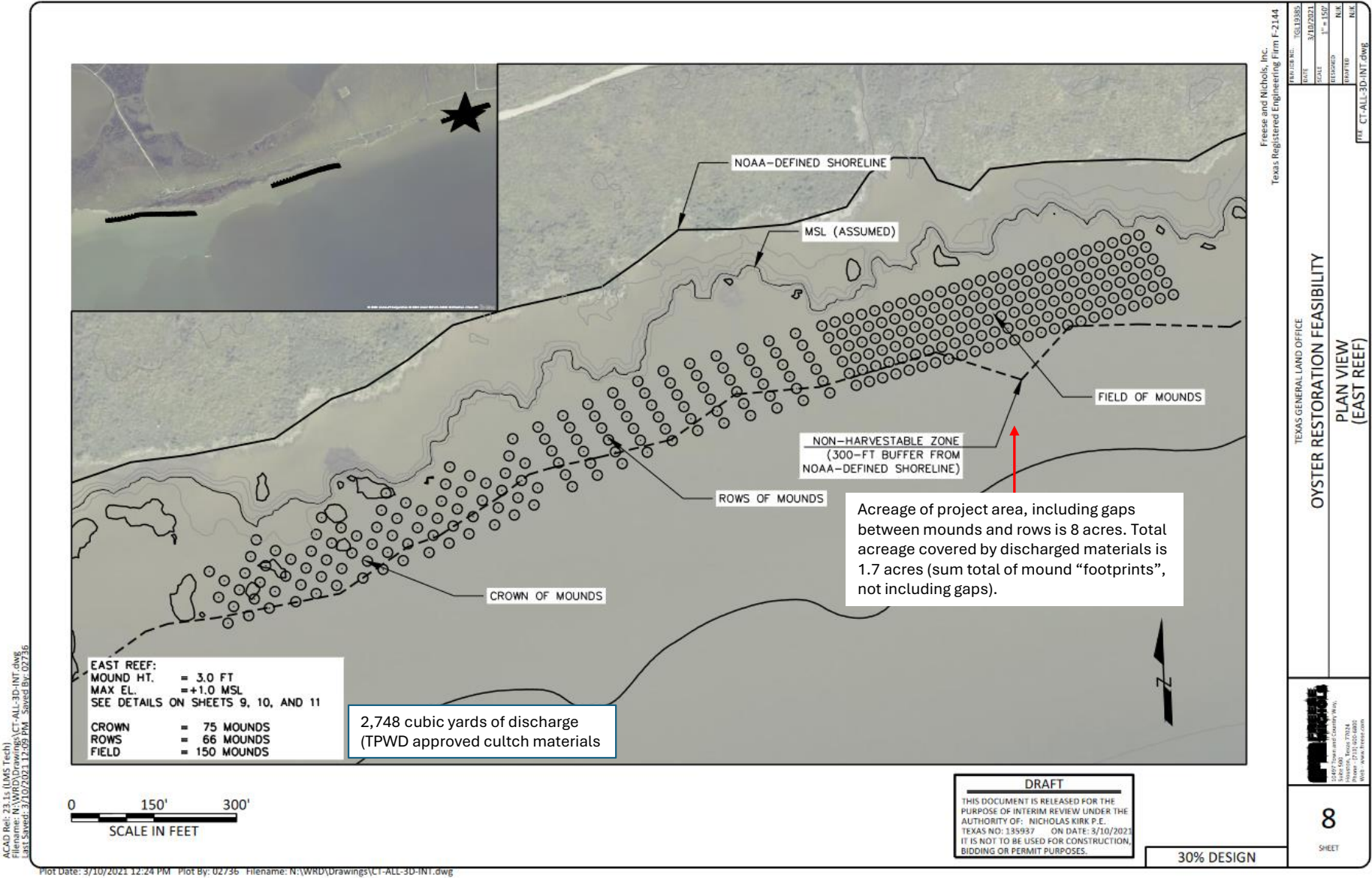
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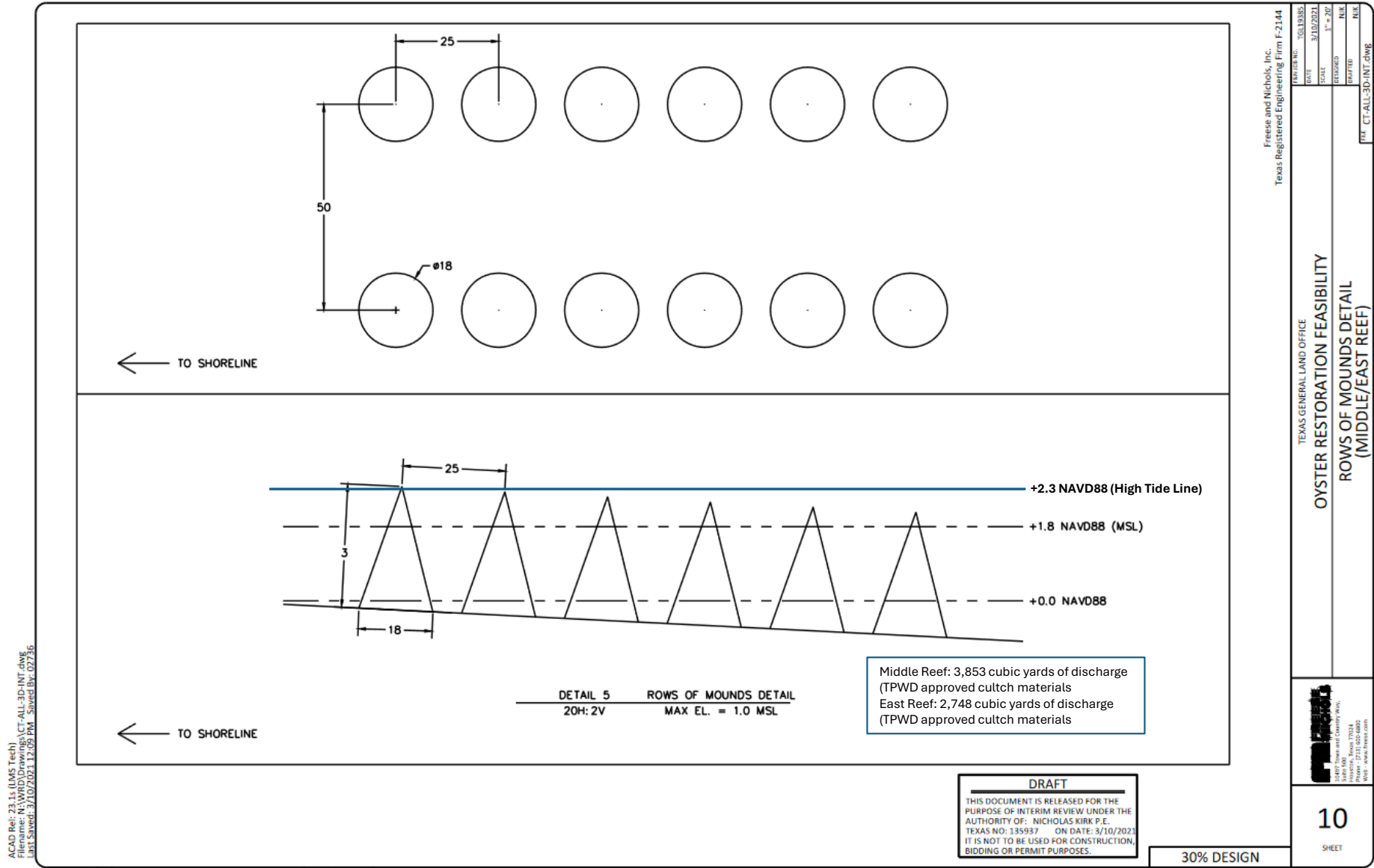


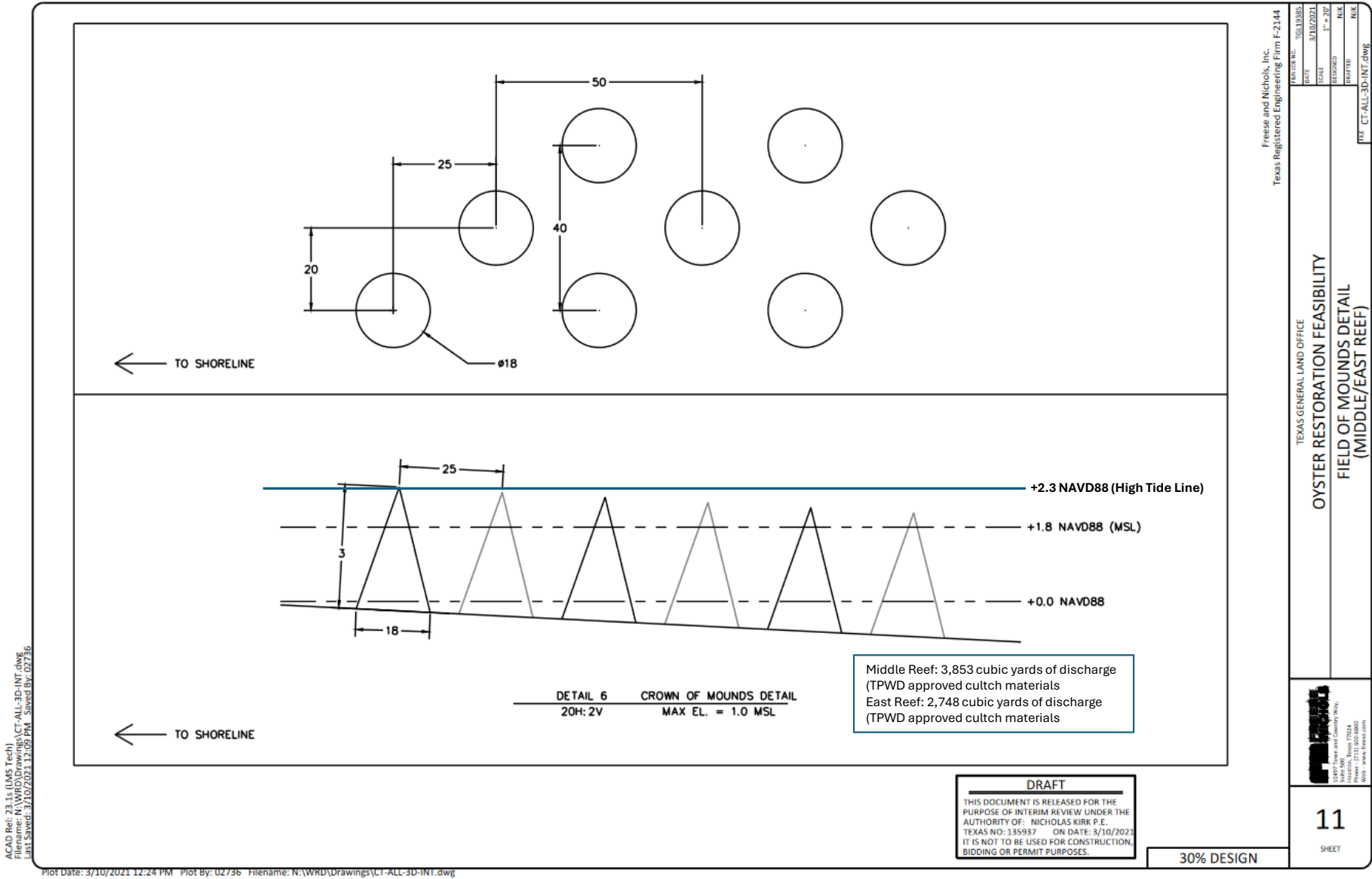






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