



Public Notice

Applicant:
**Cuyahoga Community
College**

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U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers
Buffalo District
CELRB-TD-R

Application No: 2009-01416
Section: Ohio

All written comments should reference the above Application No. and be addressed to:
Buffalo District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch (Attn: Susan L. Baker)
1776 Niagara Street
Buffalo, New York 14207-3199

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE WORK DESCRIBED BELOW. NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT A PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED AT THIS TIME.

**Application for Permit under Authority of
Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).**

Cuyahoga Community College, 700 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, has applied for a Department of Army permit to place fill in Waters of the U.S. in order to expand the existing Cuyahoga Community College Westshore Campus. The approximately 33.1 acre development site is located at 31003 Clemens Road, City of Westlake, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

The project consists of construction of the following: four campus buildings totaling 214,400 ground square feet, a three story parking ramp, a parking lot, associated utilities, roads, storm water management features, and landscaping.

Department of the Army authorization is required to fill 1.14 acres of federal wetlands and fill 1,193 linear feet (l.f.) of federal ephemeral streams.

An approved jurisdictional determination was issued by the Buffalo District on 20 October 2009 verifying the presence of 3.42 acres of wetland and 2,746 l.f. of stream under federal jurisdiction within the project area. The existing building and appurtenances were completed in the winter of 2010-2011 and did not require Department of Army authorization.

The applicant proposes to mitigate for project impacts to federal streams through the on-site enhancement of 575 l.f. of Stream 3 and 956 l.f. of Stream 2. The 1,513 l.f. of stream enhancement will incorporate constructed meanders within the stream channel, constructed floodplain, and the planting of

native wetland emergent plants, shrubs, and trees within the riparian area. Approximately 0.87 acres of floodplain wetland will be created within the constructed stream floodplain.

The applicant proposes to mitigate for project impacts to federal wetlands by on-site creation of 0.87 acres of floodplain wetland around the enhanced stream and the purchase of 2 acres of wetland credits from an approved wetland mitigation bank.

The applicant proposes to place a third party conservation easement on 1,747 l.f. of the remaining and enhanced on-site streams, on 2.28 acres of remaining on-site and created wetlands, and on the native, undisturbed upland buffers.

Location and details of the above described work are shown on the attached maps and drawings.

Comments or questions pertaining to the work described in this notice should be reference the Application Number and be directed to the attention of Susan Baker, who can be contacted at the above address, by calling (716) 879-4474, or by e-mail at: Susan.L.Baker@usace.army.mil. A lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the work as proposed.

The following authorization(s) may be required for this project:

Water Quality Certification (or waiver thereof) from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

Based on preliminary findings, there do not appear to be any properties listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places within the permit area/area of potential effects as shown on Sheet 1 of 3. As no properties listed in, or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places have been identified within the vicinity of the project area/area of potential effects, it has been determined that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed activity. This notice constitutes initiation of consultation with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) per Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. All currently available historic resource information pertaining to this proposed project if any has been provided to the SHPO. Additional information concerning historic properties should be submitted to the Corps before the end of the comment period of this notice. The Corps will forward that information to the SHPO for their review.

Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), the Corps of Engineers is consulting, under separate cover, with the USFWS to evaluate any potential impacts to: Indiana bat, Kirtland's warbler, and piping plover and to ensure that the proposed activity is not likely to jeopardize their continued existence or result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, parts 320-330. Any interested party desiring to comment on the work described herein may do so by submitting their comments, in writing, so that they are received no later than 4:30 pm on the expiration date of this notice.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. All written comments will be made a part of the administrative record which is available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. The Administrative Record, or portions thereof may also be posted on a Corps of Engineers internet web site. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any individual may request a public hearing by submitting their written request, stating the specific

reasons for holding a hearing, in the same manner and time period as other comments.

Public hearings for the purposes of the Corps permit program will be held when the District Commander determines he can obtain additional information, not available in written comments, that will aid him in the decision making process for this application. A Corps hearing is not a source of information for the general public, nor a forum for the resolution of issues or conflicting points of view (witnesses are not sworn and cross examination is prohibited). Hearings will not be held to obtain information on issues unrelated to the work requiring a permit, such as property ownership, neighbor disputes, or the behavior or actions of the public or applicant on upland property not regulated by the Department of the Army. Information obtained from a public hearing is given no greater weight than that obtained from written comments. Therefore, you should not fail to make timely written comments because a hearing might be held.

The decision to approve or deny this permit request 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 benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain 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.

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. 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.

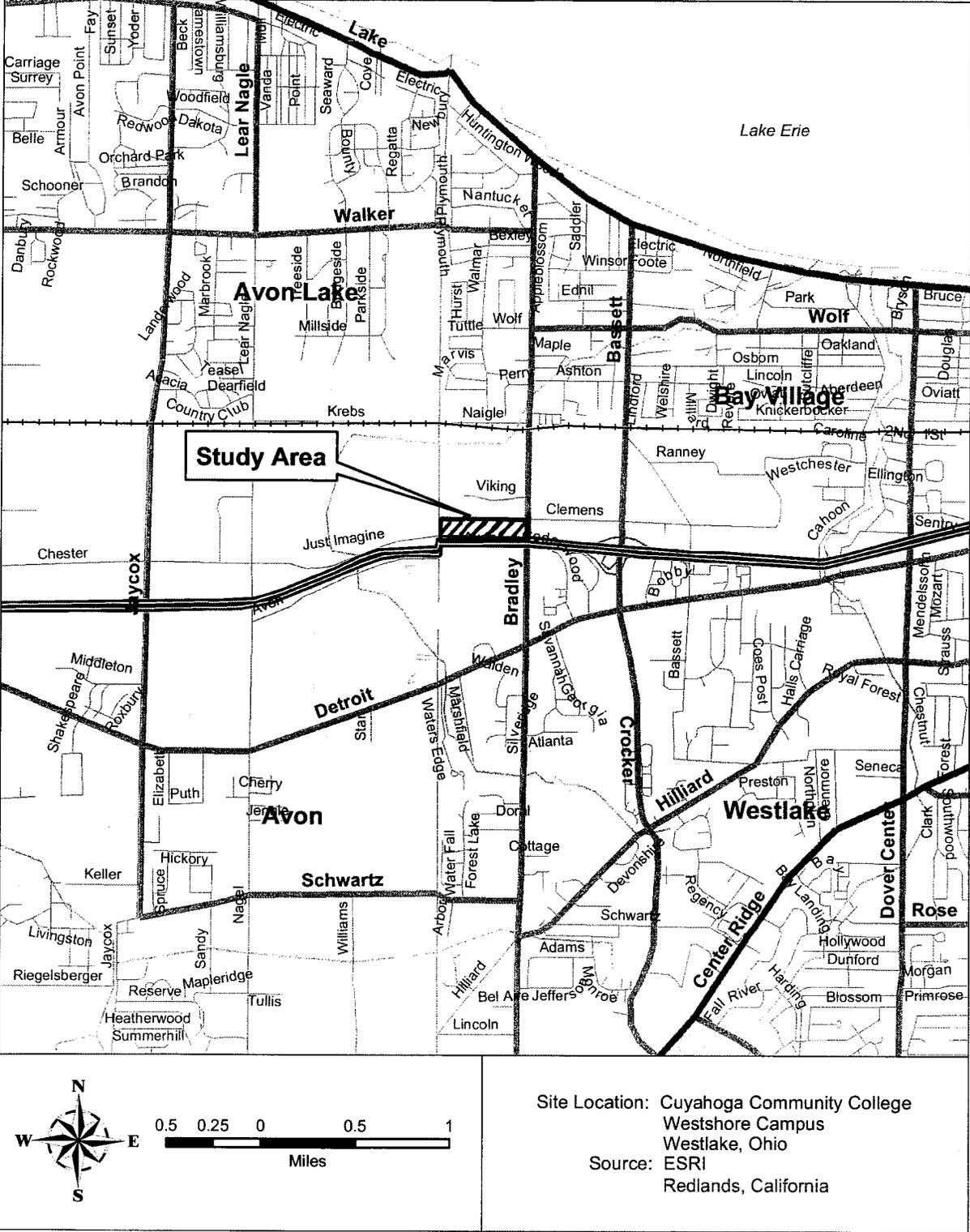
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Diane C. Kozlowski
Chief, Regulatory Branch

NOTICE TO POSTMASTER: It is requested that this notice be posted continuously and conspicuously for 30 days from the date of issuance.



Appendix A1 Location of Study Area on Highway Map



Cuyahoga Community College
 D/A Processing No. 2009-01416
 Cuyahoga County, Ohio
 Quad: North Olmsted
 Sheet 2 of 4



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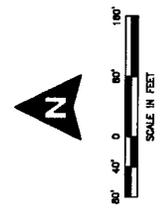
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Appendix A2 (revised 8-12-09)
 WETLAND DELINEATION MAP
 TR/C WESTLAKE CAMPUS
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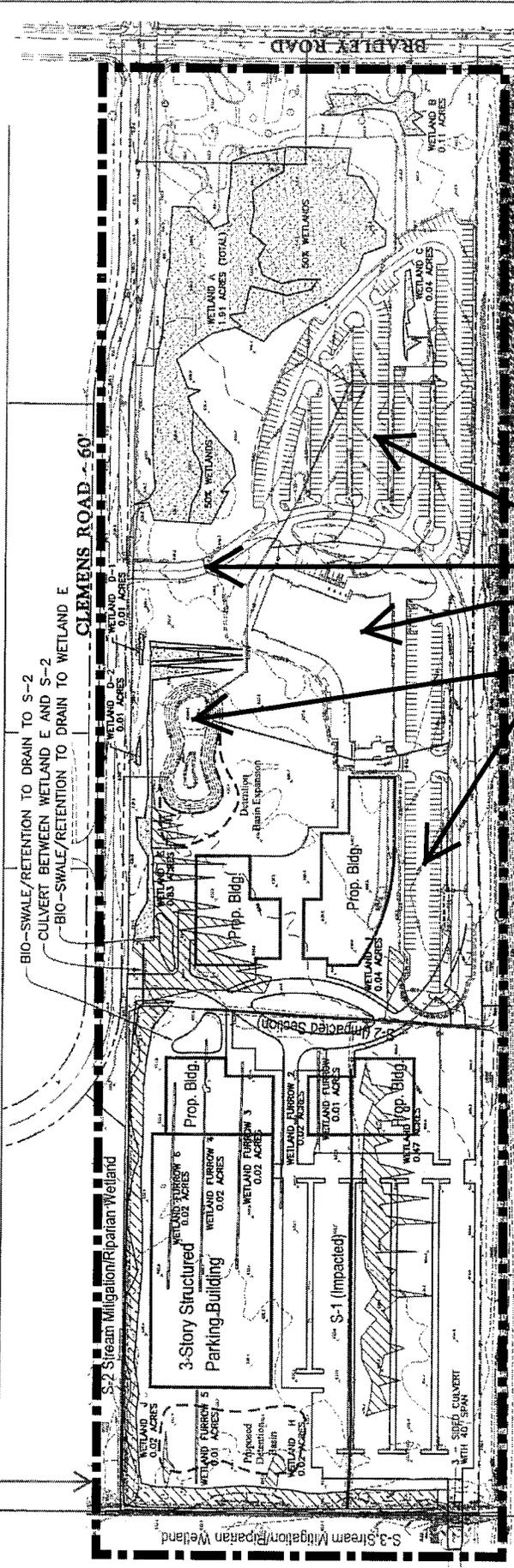
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APPENDIX A4

SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN - MINIMUM DEGRADATION ALTERNATIVE

Project Area/Area
of Potential Effects



INTERSTATE 90

Existing building,
parking, drive,
and basin

Drainage	Federal	State	Total	Wetland Acreage	Wetland Type
Drainage S-1	733	733	1466	0	Non-Impacted
Drainage S-2	1416	480	1896	1119	Impacted
Stream S-3	597	0	597	628	Impacted
Total	2746	1193	3939	1747	

- NON-IMPACTED WETLANDS
- IMPACTED WETLANDS
- STREAM MITIGATION/RIPARIAN WETLANDS
- IMPACTED STREAM
- PROPOSED STORMWATER DETENTION FACILITIES

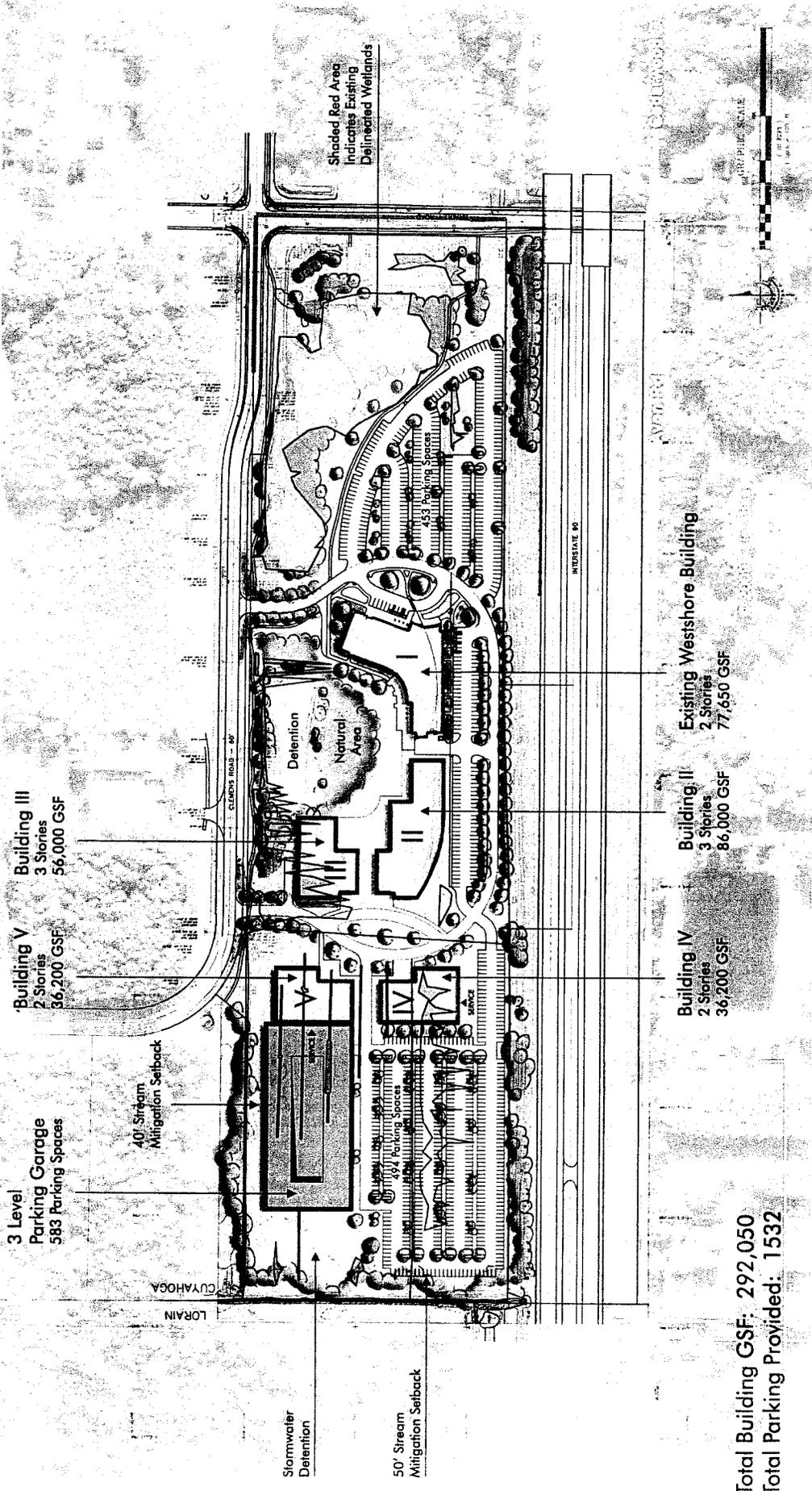


Wetland Type	Wetland Acreage	Wetland Type	Wetland Acreage
A	1.30	Wetland C	0.04
A-Mosaic 1'	0.52	Wetland Furrow 1	0.01
A-Mosaic 2'	0.05	Wetland Furrow 2	0.01
Wetland A (total)	1.91	Wetland Furrow 3	0.02
B	0.01	Wetland Furrow 4	0.02
D-1	0.01	Wetland Furrow 5	0.01
D-2	0.01	Wetland Furrow 6	0.02
E	0.03	Isolated Total	0.14
F	0.04		
G	0.47		
H	0.02		
I	0.02		
J	0.02		
Federal Total	3.42		
C	0.04		
Wetland Furrow 1	0.01		
Wetland Furrow 2	0.02		
Wetland Furrow 3	0.02		
Wetland Furrow 4	0.02		
Wetland Furrow 5	0.01		
Wetland Furrow 6	0.02		
Isolated Total	0.14		
Totals	3.56		1.24
			2.32

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 Sheet 4 of 4



Building V
 2 Stories
 36,200 GSF

Building III
 3 Stories
 56,000 GSF

3 Level
 Parking Garage
 583 Parking Spaces

Stormwater
 Detention

50' Stream
 Mitigation Setback

40' Stream
 Mitigation Setback

Detention
 Natural Area

424 Parking
 Spaces

453 Parking
 Spaces

Existing Westshore Building
 2 Stories
 77,650 GSF

Building II
 3 Stories
 86,000 GSF

Building IV
 2 Stories
 36,200 GSF

Total Building GSF: 292,050
 Total Parking Provided: 1532

ALUMINUM DEGRADATION SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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