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Wilmington District

408-SAW-2024-0004

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PERMISSION
TO MODIFY A
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECT UNDER SECTION 408

TITLE: Virginia Department of Transportation, South Main Street (Route 8) Bridge Replacement, South Mayo River, Patrick County, Virginia.

PUBLIC NOTICE COMMENT PERIOD:

Begins: May 17, 2024

Expires: June 17, 2024

Interested parties are hereby notified that a request has been received for Department of the Army Section 408 (Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; 33 U.S.C. 408; hereinafter Section 408) approval to replace a bridge over the Stuart Virginia Flood Reduction Project, as described below. Written comments are being solicited from anyone having an interest in the requested alteration. Comments received will become part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) administrative record and will be considered in determining whether to approve the request. Comments supporting, opposing, or identifying concerns that should be considered by the USACE in its decision process are welcome. Comments providing substantive information and/or a rationale for the commenter's position are the most helpful. Comments regarding the proposed work should reference the USACE public notice number (408-SAW-2024-0004) and must reach the USACE via email no later than **June 17, 2024**, to become part of the public record and be considered in the USACE's decision. Please send comments to the Wilmington District Section 408 Coordinator at: ronnie.d.smith@usace.army.mil.

REQUESTER: The Virginia Department of Transportation has requested permission to replace the existing South Main Street (Route 8) bridge over the South Mayo River.

LOCATION: The proposed action is located along the South Main Street (Route 8) Bridge over the South Mayo River, in the Town of Stuart, Patrick County, Virginia. (36.63556, -80.26932).

PROPOSED ACTION: The proposed project includes the replacement of the South Main Street (Route 8) bridge over the South Mayo River, Stuart, Virginia Flood Reduction Project. The bridge replacement project would involve the removal of the existing bridge and the supporting structures and the construction of a new bridge within the same footprint as the removed bridge. The two instream structures/pilings would be replaced with one supporting structure/piling.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY: This request will be reviewed according to the provisions of Section 408. A requester has the responsibility to acquire all other permissions or authorizations required by federal, state, and local laws or regulations. An approval under Section 408 does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to grant the requested permission for federal project modification under Section 408 will be based on several factors and will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. Review of the request for modification will be reviewed by a USACE technical review team and will consider, but not necessarily be limited to, the following factors:

1. Impair the Usefulness of the Project Determination. The review team will determine if the proposed alteration would limit the ability of the projects to function as authorized, or would compromise or change any authorized project's conditions, purposes, or outputs. The decision whether to approve a request for modification would be based on a determination of no impairments.
2. Injurious to the Public Interest Determination. Proposed alterations will be reviewed to determine the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, on the public interest.

SUMMARY: It should be noted that materials submitted as part of Section 408 requests become part of the public record and will be available to the general public under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Individuals may submit a written request to obtain materials under the FOIA or make an appointment to view the project file at the USACE Wilmington District's Office of Counsel.

Interested parties wishing to comment on the proposed action must do so in writing no later than **June 17, 2024**. It is presumed that all parties viewing this notice will wish to respond; therefore, a lack of response will be interpreted as meaning there is no objection to the proposed action as described.

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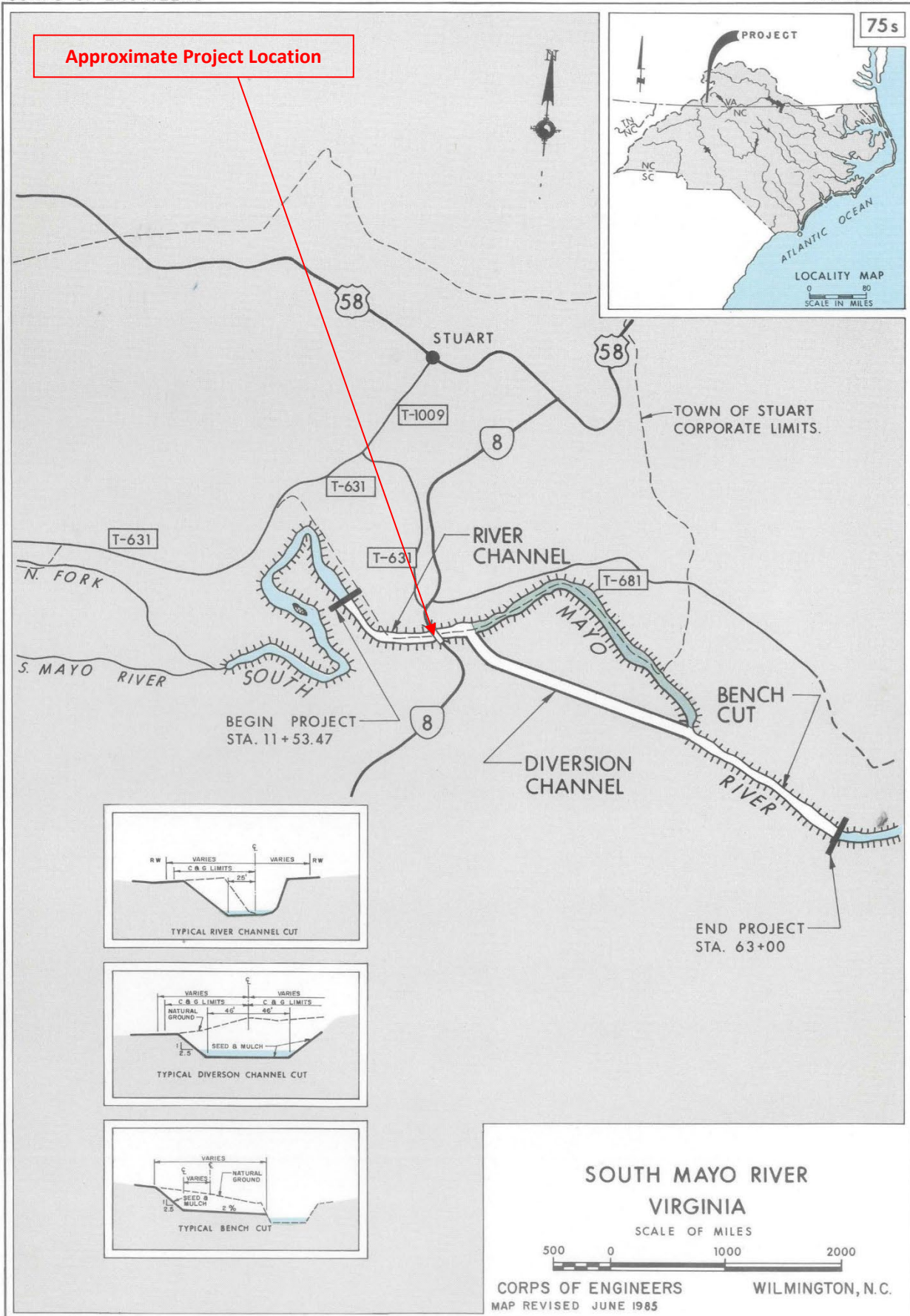


Figure 1: Federal Project Map

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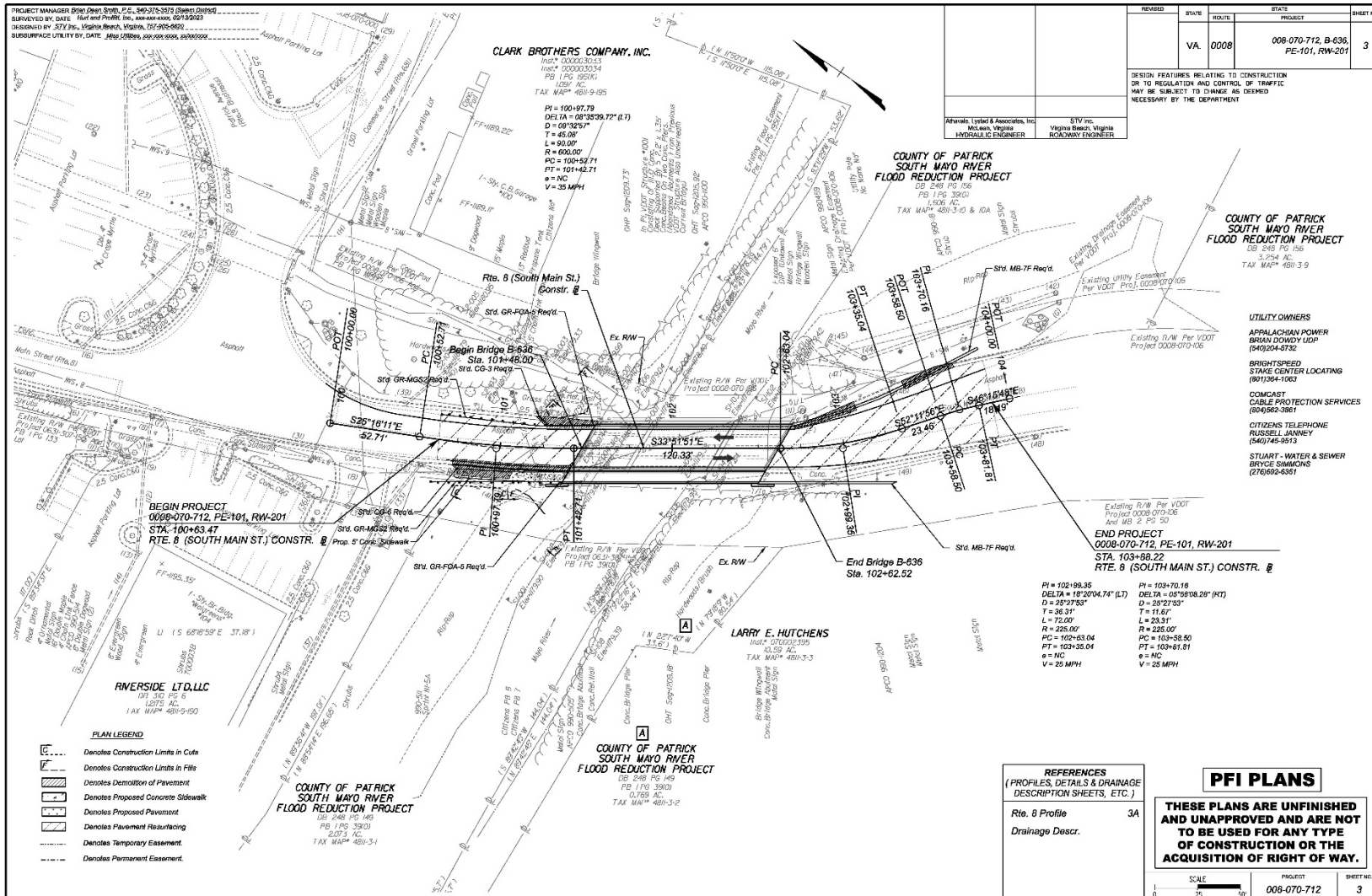


Figure 2: Project Drawings – Plan View

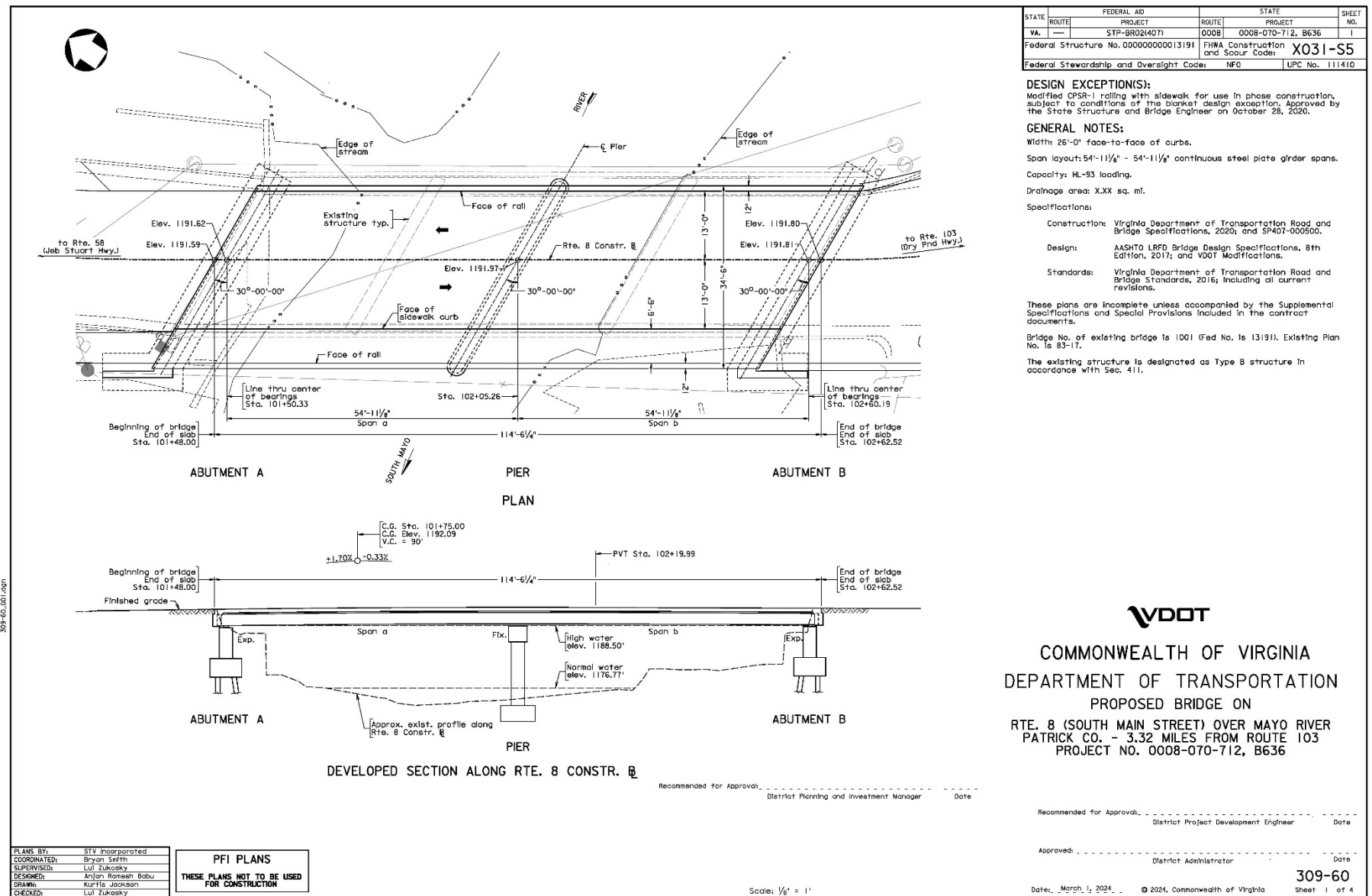


Figure 3: Project Drawings – Profile View