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SITKA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Regular Monthly Meeting

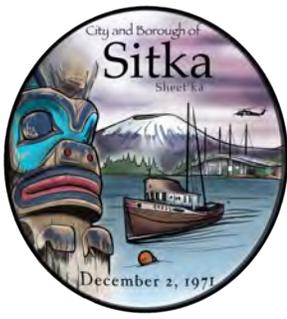
Harrigan Centennial Hall

April 10, 2024 6 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. January 10, 2024
- IV. GUEST &/OR PERSONS TO BE HEARD**
- V. REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**
 - b. Fort Rousseau, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- VI. OLD BUSINESS**
 - c. Historic Preservation Plan
 - d. Memorial and naming policy
- VII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - e. 220 Observatory Street, entry and deck replacement
 - f. 305 Tlingit Way, entry and deck replacement
 - g. 450 Alice Loop, new construction tri-plex
 - h. 1470 & 1480 Seward Avenue, USCG Dock Facilities
- VIII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE(S):**

(2nd Wednesday of the Month, 6pm **Harrigan Centennial Hall**)
Wednesday, May 8, 2024 – Regular Monthly Meeting
- IX. ADJOURNMENT**



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January 10, 2024, 6 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chair Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Present: Roby (Koolyéik) Littlefield (Chair), James (Kushxeet) Poulson, Danielle Pensley, Karen Lucas, JJ Carlson (Assembly Liaison), Scott Saline (Assembly Liaison)

Alternate, arrived 6:16 PM, left 6:33 PM)

Excused: Dionne (Yeidíkok'aa) Brady-Howard

Staff: Kim Davis, Amy Ainslie

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Poulson-S/Lucas, moved to approve the agenda. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. December 13, 2023 minutes

M/Poulson-S/Lucas, moved to approve the minutes of December 13, 2023 minutes.

Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.

IV. GUESTS &/OR PERSONS TO BE HEARD

V. REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

Davis reported there were two open seats on the Commission and the Planning Manager position was open and being advertised.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

b. Historic Preservation Plan.

Littlefield had provided an update to the Assembly on the Historic Preservation Plan (HPC). Pensley had completed revisions to the document and believe about another 40 hours would be required to match the appendix to the main body and complete final editing. Pensley proposed the option of a professional services contract and the possibility of stepping down from the commission to finish the HPC plan. Commissioners were in favor of this and Pensley would meet with staff to discuss. There

was discussion about reducing the number of commissioners from seven to five since it was difficult to find new members and have a quorum for discussion at meetings. Staff would check with the Clerk's office to see if this was a possibility.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

c. 105 Metlakatla Street, new construction single-family home.

Davis introduced new construction of a single-family home at 105 Metlakatla Street. This was a single-story, ramp accessible home with a carport. The commission had previously approved the demo of the structure that was on the property. Commissioners determined there was no impact to the historical area and recommend approval.

M/Poulson-S/Lucas, moved to recommend the request at 105 Metlakatla Street. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.

d. 106 Kelly Street, new construction single-family tiny home.

Davis introduced new construction of a single-family home at 106 Kelly Street. This was for a tiny home less than 500 square feet. There was an existing tiny house already on the property. Commissioners determined there was no impact to the historical area and recommend approval.

M/Poulson-S/Lucas, moved to recommend the request at 106 Kelly Street. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.

e. Memorial and naming policy discussion

Davis presented the comprehensive plan section HCA 1.1h; create a memorial and naming policy to integrate place names that are representative of Sitka's diverse history into community facilities, services, places and streets. Littlefield had requested the item for discussion and the need for a clear policy on naming streets in Sitka. The commission agreed on the need to make the process easier for proposing names for new or to rename streets. Davis provided commissioners the nomination form for street and public facilities but found no policy on file. No decisions were made during the discussion, but it would be added to unfinished business for continued discussion.

VIII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE(S):

(2nd Wednesday of the Month, 6pm, Harrigan Centennial Hall)

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 – Regular Monthly Meeting

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Littlefield, hearing no objection, adjourned the meeting at 7:06 PM



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
ALASKA DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P.O. BOX 6898
JBER, AK 99506-0898

March 18th, 2024

CEPOA-PMC-E

Roberta Littlefield
Chair
Sitka Historic Preservation Commission
100 Lincoln Street
Sitka, AK 99835

Dear Ms. Littlefield:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District, Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) program is planning a site inspection (SI) of contaminated marine sediment at the Virublennoi Island Landfill at Fort Rouseau near Sitka, Alaska. The proposed undertaking is being conducted under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 [42 USC § 9601 et seq]. In compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, the purpose of this letter is to notify you of a Federal undertaking [36 CFR § 800.3(f)].

You are receiving this letter because we believe that Sitka National Historical Park may have an interest in cultural resources in the general project area. A letter addressed to the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer, which provides more information about the project area and anticipated timeline, is enclosed. We invite you to bring any relevant cultural resources concerns or information to our attention.

If you have any questions or concerns about this study, please contact me by phone at 907-753-2570 or by email at Laura.F.Stelson@usace.army.mil

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura F. Stelson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Laura Stelson
Archaeologist
Environmental Resources Section
Alaska District



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CEPOA-PMC-E

Ms. Judith Bittner
State Historic Preservation Officer
Office of History and Archaeology
550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1310
Anchorage, AK 99501-3565

Dear Ms. Bittner,

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District, Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) program is planning a site inspection (SI) of contaminated marine sediment at the Virublennoi Island Landfill at Fort Rousseau near Sitka, Alaska (Section 3, T56S, R63E, USGS Quad Sitka A-5, Copper River Meridian; Figure 1). Fort Rousseau (SIT-00732), a State Historical Park, is a World War II harbor defense component of the Sitka Naval Operating Base National Historic Landmark (NHL; SIT-00079). The proposed undertaking is being conducted under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 [42 USC § 9601 et seq]. Under CERCLA, the applicable requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) include only substantive portions of the law [42 USC 9621(d)]. This letter constitutes our notification of a federal undertaking, provides information regarding historic properties within the project area, and reflects our determination that the undertaking will not adversely affect these historic resources.

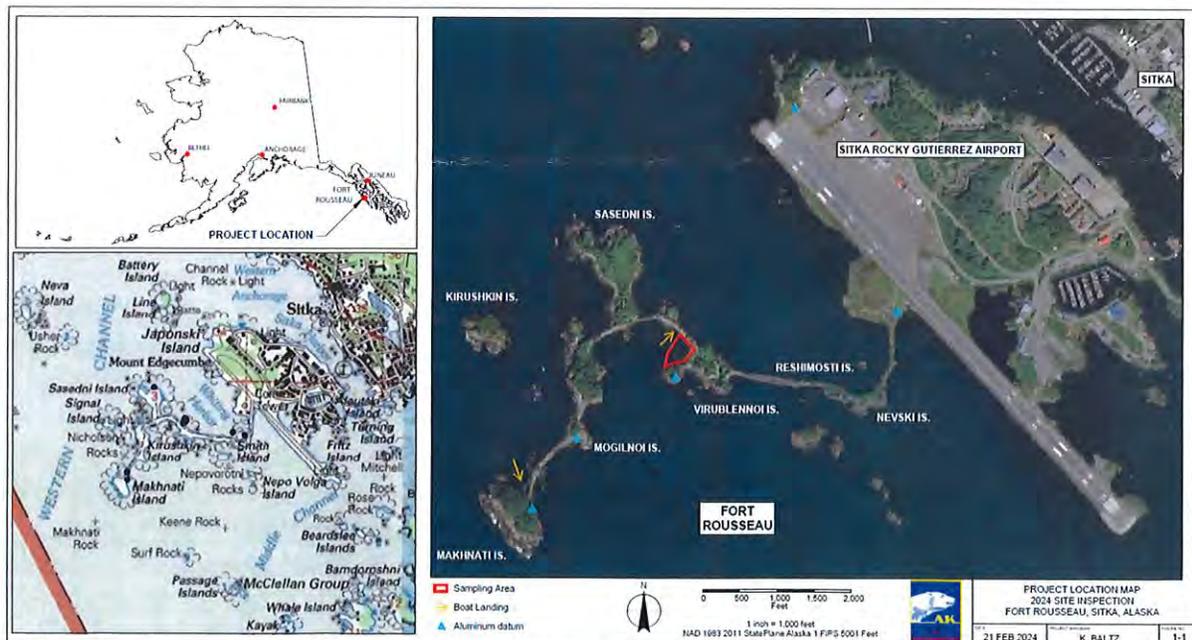


Figure 1: General project area and location of proposed undertaking.

Historical Context

Evidence from the Hidden Falls site on Baranoff Island places the earliest known settlement near Sitka at 11,683-11,165 calBP (Ackerman et al. 1989, re-calibrated using IntCal 20). Tlingit oral histories suggest a continuity of occupation and culture in this area from 4,500 BP to the present (Hunt 2011; Grover 2004). Early Tlingit settlers selected village sites along protected sections of coastline ideal for beaching canoes, digging clams, acquiring drinking water, and catching salmon. Linguistic data reveal a close affinity between Tlingit groups and Na-Dene-speaking peoples of interior Alaska (Tollefson 1997).

The first encounter between Baranoff Island Tlingit and Russians occurred in 1741 when the Russian ship *St. Paul* sent two skiffs to explore some land they spotted near Sitka. While these men never returned, the crew spotted two Tlingit canoes the following day, which did not approach the ship (Dauenhauer and Dauenhauer 1999). In 1799, after supposedly negotiating with three Tlingit chiefs representing two moieties, the Russian-American Company established a trading post called *Novo-Arkhangel'sk* on Starrigavan Bay (Black 2004). Relations between the Tlingit and Russians quickly deteriorated due, in part, to the encroachment on traditional hunting territories by Russians, multiple instances of grave-robbing and desecration, and agitations against the Russians by American and British traders. In 1802, Tlingit warriors attacked and destroyed *Novo-Arkhangel'sk* (Arndt and Pierce 2003; NPS 2013).

In 1804, a large force from the Russian-American Company returned to the island and established a new *Novo-Arkhangel'sk* at the recently abandoned Tlingit settlement of *Noow Tlein*. The Tlingit had withdrawn to a site on Chatham Strait; although an uneasy peace was established, the Russians forbade permanent Tlingit residence at Sitka. 1808 *Novo-Arkhangel'sk* succeeded St. Paul Harbor on Kodiak Island as the colonial capital. In 1822, the ban on Tlingit residences was lifted (Arndt and Pierce 2003). In 1834, Father Veniaminov (later Bishop Innocent) arrived in Sitka. Bishop Innocent designed St. Michael's Cathedral, constructed with funding from the Russian-American Company between 1844 and 1848. Sitka was the seat of the Russian Orthodox Diocese, responsible for governing all Russian North American presence from 1840 to 1872.

In 1867, the United States purchased Alaska from Russia (NPS 2013). Gunboat diplomacy instituted by the United States undermined local Tlingit autonomy and opened the territory to outside settlers and gold prospectors (Tollefson 1997). These newcomers brought a slough of epidemics and diseases, an example of which can be seen in a series of shallow graves on Sasedni Island (SIT-00731). The nature of this epidemic remains unknown (Keres Consulting 2003). Starting in 1929, the Tlingit initiated a multi-year initiative to reclaim their natural resources, culminating in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971 (ANCSA). ANCSA restored ownership of over 100 million acres to the Sealaska Regional Corporation and its 13 villages.

During World War II, the 12 islands in Sitka Sound offered a strategic location to protect the Japonski Island Naval Operating Base (NOB) from attacks in the Pacific. To

take advantage of the location, the U.S. Army began construction of an 8,000-foot rock-fill causeway connecting Japonski Island to the nearby Nevski, Reshimosti, Virublennoi, Gold, Sasedni, Kirushkin, Mogilnoi, and Makhnati islands in 1941. The causeway was completed in July 1942. Subsequently, construction began on an extensive array of gun emplacements, observation towers, command posts, personnel shelters, artillery magazines, ration storehouses, a fuse house, motor sheds, officers' quarters, storehouses, barracks, dayrooms, and mess halls interspersed throughout the connected islands. The headquarters for the Harbor Defenses was Fort Rousseau, located on Makhnati Island at the southwest end of the chain. Fort Rousseau was the only gun battery completed before the halt of construction in 1944. The Army closed the Fort Rousseau site in the spring of 1944, and a company of Coast Artillery troops assumed caretaker duties. The Sitka NOB and U.S. Army Coastal Defenses, Sitka, including Fort Rousseau, were designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1986.

The U.S. military recognized the Sitka area as a strategic location for a naval operating base in 1879, and by 1902, the U.S. Navy had established a coaling station there. Under the War Department's growing concerns of war in the Pacific, the Navy established facilities in Sitka in 1937 to service its PBY Catalinas. The Sitka Naval Air Station, the Navy's first air station in Alaska, was formally commissioned on October 1, 1939. In 1941, authority was given to construct an 8,100-foot, rock-filled causeway from Japonski Island to Makhnati Island, where harbor defenses were planned. Costing more than \$2 million, the causeway was completed in 1942. Military operations continued to expand, and on July 20, 1942, the Sitka Naval Air Station was re-designated as the Sitka Naval Operating Base. In July 1943, the causeway was named Fort Rousseau in honor of Major General Lowell H. Rousseau. The Sitka Naval Operating Base was decommissioned on August 15, 1944. At the time of decommissioning, the Fort Rousseau battery was the most complete of all harbor defenses and considered the most crucial element in Sitka's defenses (Thompson 1984; NPS 2013).

Project Description

Today, the uplands of Fort Rousseau are operated by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation, while the submerged lands are owned and managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Efforts to remove contaminated soils at Fort Rousseau have been underway since 2016. In preparation for this work, USACE archaeologist Kelly Eldridge and two USACE environmental engineers conducted a pedestrian survey of the contaminated areas at Fort Rousseau for logistics and cultural resource assessments. In 2017, a proposed undertaking to excavate contaminants at Nevski, Reshimosti, Sasedni, and Makhnati Islands, as well as additional debris at a landfill on Virublennoi Island, was coordinated with the SHPO's office, the National Park Service, the Sitka Historic Preservation Commission, and other interested parties (USACE 2017). In 2018, remedial actions at the Virublennoi Island landfill included the removal of 5,720 tons of contaminated soil, 133 tons of steel, and 168 pounds of lead-acid battery components (USACE 2019). Subsequent tests, however, still indicated residual contamination within the intertidal area following this cleanup effort (Figure 2). In 2020, debris and old electrical equipment were removed

from inside the entryway and the main magazine of the former Fort Rousseau Ammunition Magazine #1 on Makhnati Island and the concrete floor was sampled to ascertain if contamination was present (USACE 2021). Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) were detected in concrete samples and future FUDS work is planned at the Makhnati Magazine under a separate project to be established.

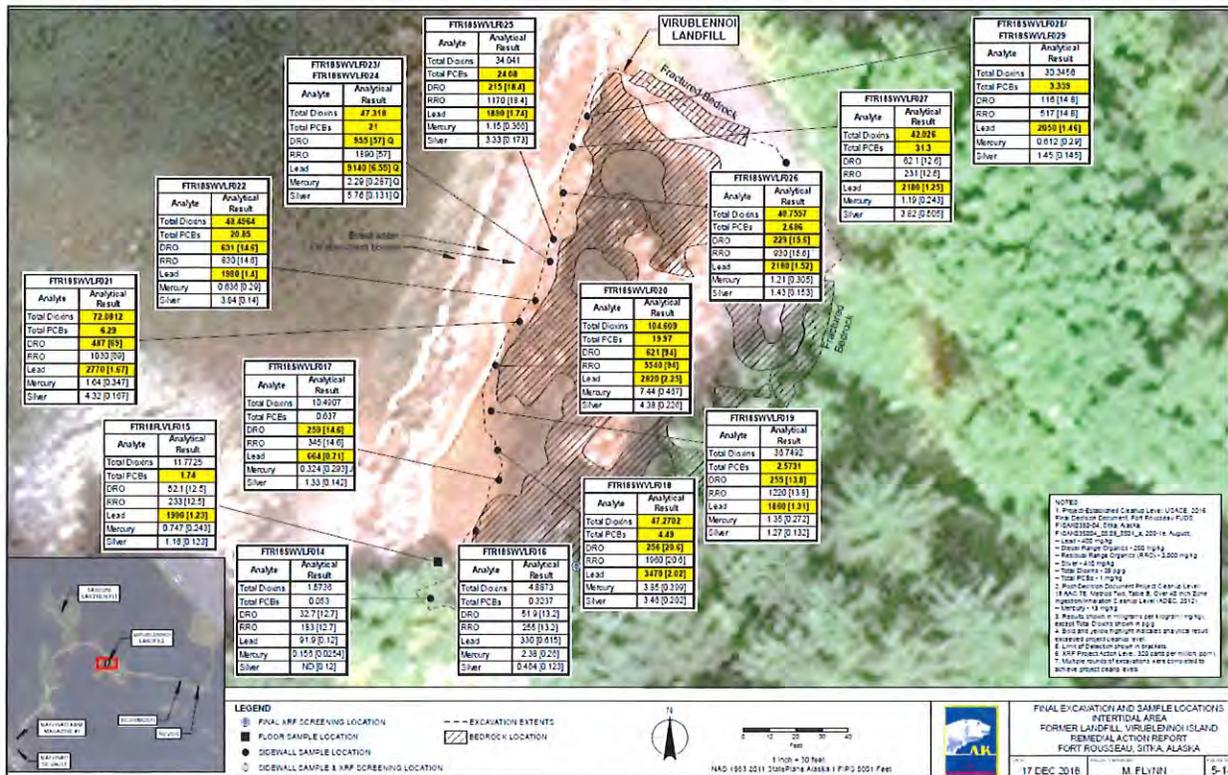


Figure 2: Perimeter of the 2018 Landfill excavation and sample locations containing contaminants exceeding cleanup levels (yellow highlighting). Note the former volume of soils above the water table.

The site inspection (SI) of contaminated marine sediment proposed for July 2024 is designed to produce additional intertidal and subtidal data appropriate for United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Hazard Risk System scoring. Planned activities include collecting topographic and bathymetric data, conducting a sediment probing survey to identify locations within the 2.7-acre study area that are conducive to collecting sediment and porewater samples, collecting up to 20 intertidal and subtidal marine sediment samples, and collecting up to 10 porewater samples. Following completion of the SI, a remedial investigation is anticipated as a requirement to determine the nature and extent of contamination.

Three crews and mobilizations will be required to carry out the project work, which AGN JV, LLC and subcontractor Gravity Marine will execute. The AGN team will be mobilized to Sitka via Alaska Airlines on July 20, 2024. They will conduct a land-based topographic survey that targets the spring low tide on July 22, 2024. This survey will require the re-survey of aluminum spatial control datums placed by USGS in Sitka and on Japonski Island and by AECOM on Makhnati Island, Virublennoi

Island, and Mogilnoi Island to provide real-time corrections to a terrestrial laser scanning system. Once in Sitka, the field crews will stay in commercial lodging and mobilize daily to Virublennoi Island via a small landing craft. Equipment is expected to be demobilized on July 25, 2024.



Figure 3: Proposed locations for porewater collectors and sub and intertidal sediment sampling

The second mobilization will be supported by Gravity Marine, who will transport their bathymetric survey personnel and equipment on a specialized research vessel. Field activities will occur from 21-27 August 2024 and include a bathymetric survey, a sediment probing survey, and the installation of in-situ passive porewater samplers (proposed locations marked in Figure 3). Bathymetric surveys will be conducted using a multibeam sonar array mounted to the Gravity vessel. Porewater samples will be collected using a Sirem SPeeper system. The system involves horizontally placing two collection vials measuring 10cm in length x 3 cm in diameter into a 25x25x5 cm collection frame. This frame is then pushed into the subsurface sediment to a depth of 25cm using a detachable pole. Before installing sediment probes, sediment depth will

be confirmed using the installation rod as a push probe. Sites with insufficient sediment deposits may be shifted within a 3-m radius.

The final mobilization will occur in mid-September, approximately 28 days later, when field staff will retrieve the porewater samplers, collect sediment samples, and carry out a marine biota survey. Off-shore sediment samples measuring 10cm³ will be collected using a clamshell bucket grab-sampler mounted to the Gravity vessel with a hydraulic winch. Intertidal sediment samples of the same volume will be collected by hand-troweling the sediment into a steel bowl. Marine biota observations will occur during low tide and involve recording species presence along four pedestrian transects running perpendicular to the water line.

Assessment of Effect

The proposed undertaking's Area of Potential Effect (APE) is limited to the landing beach used to access the Virublennoi Island Landfill, the sampling sites within the former landfill, and brief stops at the five datums used in the spatial referencing of the topographic survey (Figures 1 and 3). Virublennoi Island Landfill is located within the Sitka Naval Operating Base and U.S. Army Coastal Defense System (SIT-00079) and Fort Rousseau (SIT-00732), adjacent to the site's historic causeway (SIT-01065). Table 1 reflects the relationship of the project area to the boundaries of nearby AHRS resources, the locations of which can be seen in Figure 4.

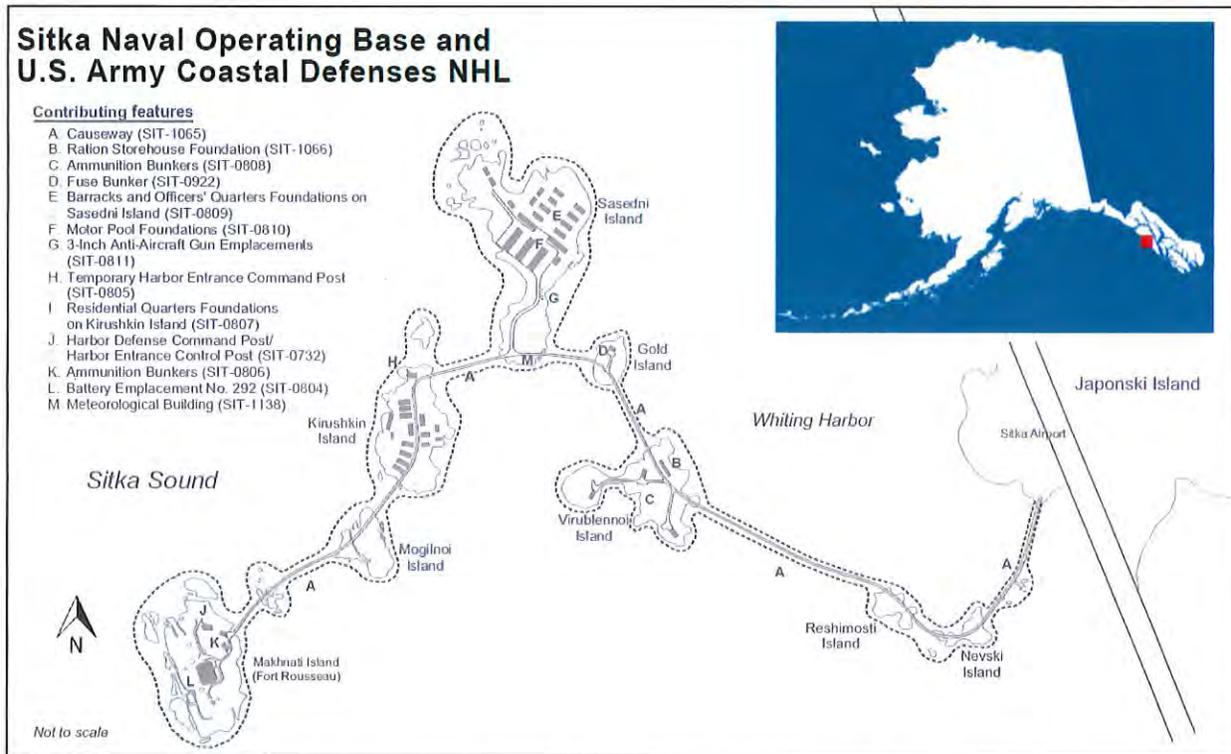


Figure 4. Map of features contributing to the Sitka Naval Operating Base National Historic Landmark

The NHL nomination for the Sitka Naval Operating Base and US Army Coastal Defenses identifies the three reinforced-concrete ammunition magazines and concrete bunker as the historically significant features on Virublennoi Island (Thompson 1984). USACE's previous survey determined the landfill to be a mixed-age dump site with no stratigraphic integrity, used by the military during World War II and by Sitka residents during the 1960s (Eldridge 2017). As seen in the satellite imagery from prior to the 2018 cleanup (Figure 2) and after the cleanup (Figure 3), the landfill was removed almost entirely. The stone-fill causeway, the lone contributing feature of the NHL in this project area, was constructed to weather forces greater than the vessel used to approach the site. Pedestrian surveys and the collection of sediment samples are also anticipated to have a negligible impact on this already heavily disturbed area.

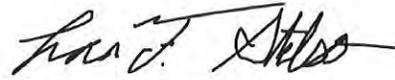
Table 1. Sites within the general vicinity of the Area of Potential Effect (APE).

AHRS No.	Site Name	NRHP Status	In APE
SIT-0079	Sitka Naval Operating Base and US Army Coastal Defenses	National Historic Landmark	X
SIT-0686	World War II Underwater Cable	Not Eligible	
SIT-0731	Sasedni Island Graves	No Determination	
SIT-0732	Fort Rousseau	Contributing Property	X
SIT-0804	Battery Emplacement No. 292	No Determination	
SIT-0805	Harbor Defense Command Post	No Determination	
SIT-0806	Makhnati Is. Ammunition Bunkers	No Determination	
SIT-0807	Kirushkin Is. Residential Quarters	No Determination	
SIT-0808	Virublennoi Is. Ammunition Bunkers	No Determination	
SIT-0809	Sasedni Is. Residential Quarters	No Determination	
SIT-0810	Sasedni Is. Motor Pool	No Determination	
SIT-0811	Sasedni Is. 3-inch Anti-Aircraft Gun Emplacements	No Determination	
SIT-0922	Gold Is. Fuse House and Bunker	No Determination	
SIT-1065	Causeway	No Determination	X
SIT-1066	Virublennoi Is. Ration Storehouse	No Determination	

Conclusion

The proposed undertaking has little potential to affect the causeway (SIT-1065) or any other contributing features of the Sitka Naval Operating Base National Historic Landmark (SIT-00079). Project results will benefit the health and safety of the local community and other visitors to the State Historical Park by informing the need for future environmental remediation efforts in this area. Sampling loose marine sediments in heavily disturbed subtidal substrates will not affect any documented cultural sites. Therefore, USACE determines the proposed undertaking to have no adverse effect. Please contact Laura Stelson at 907-753-2570 or by email at laura.f.stelson@usace.army.mil with any questions about this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura Stelson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Laura Stelson
Archaeologist
Environmental Resources Section

cc:

Janet Clemens, National Register Historian, NPS
Mary Miller, Superintendent, Sitka National Historic Park
Sara Peterson, Municipal Clerk, City and Borough of Sitka
Roberta Littlefield, Chair, Sitka Historic Preservation Commission

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6.3 Historic, Cultural, and Arts Resources Goals, Objectives, and Actions

Goals set overall direction.

Objectives are the policies the City and Borough of Sitka intends to achieve over time.

Actions chart a path to achieve the goals and objectives.

Number	Action	Responsible Agency	Time Frame	Capital Funds Needed
HCA 1	Objective 1 – Celebrate Sitka’s Rich and Diverse Heritage.			
HCA 1.1	Acknowledge and celebrate Sitka’s historic, archaeological, architectural, traditional, cultural, and scenic heritage by recognizing and preserving sites, structures, and districts with significant value.	AC	OG	U
HCA 1.1.a	Develop, adopt, and implement a Sitka Historic Preservation Plan.	CBS	ST	L
HCA 1.1.b	Facilitate and support CLG grants to obtain National Register Historic District status for eligible districts.	AC	OG	L
HCA 1.1.c	Coordinate and collaborate with interested parties to compile cemetery information.	AC	ST	L
HCA 1.1.d	Integrate AHRS map into project review.	CBS	ST	L
HCA 1.1.e	Develop a checklist to use in the planning stage of all city projects, and projects needing city approval, to integrate consideration of cultural and historic values.	CBS	ST	L
HCA 1.1.f	Consult with the adopted Sitka Historic Preservation Plan on issues and development that could affect preservation and enhancement of the unique character of downtown Sitka.	CBS	OG	L
HCA 1.1.g	The City and Borough of Sitka supports, as appropriate, efforts to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return any future tribal artifact discoveries to Sitka Tribe of Alaska. Support STA, BIHA, and property owners in the rehabilitation of clan houses. 	CBS	OG	U
HCA 1.1.h	Create a memorial and naming policy to integrate place names that are representative of Sitka’s diverse history into community facilities, services, places, and streets. <i>Cross reference T 5.2</i>	CBS	ST	L
HCA 1.1.i	Develop a Master Plan for the Katlian/ Kaagwaantaan area in collaboration with Sitka Tribe of Alaska, Alaska Native Brotherhood & Sisterhood, property owners, and local business owners, and other interested parties. <i>Cross reference LU 3.5</i>	AC	MT	L
HCA 2	Objective 2 - Promote availability of funding for Historic Property Renovation.			
HCA 2.1	Advertise historic preservation opportunities, tax incentives, and grants available to rehabilitate historic properties, sites, and within districts.	CBS	OG	L
HCA 2.2	Look for funding opportunities for downtown revitalization.	ALL	OG	L
HCA 3	Objective 3 - Support visual and performing (V&P) arts in Sitka.			
HCA 3.1	Support development of pop-up shops for local vendors.	CBS, PR, AC	ST, OG	L
HCA 3.2	Encourage public art displays, when appropriate (murals, etc.) and develop temporary use permits to manage these.	CBS	OG	L

21.40.100 Street names.

Names of new streets shall not duplicate existing street names unless a new street is a continuation of or in alignment with the existing street. Street names for dedicated rights-of-way may be recommended by the Sitka historic preservation commission and approved by the municipality. House numbers shall be assigned in accordance with the house numbering system in effect in the city and borough. (Ord. 08-10 § 4 (part), 2008.)

Sitka Historic Preservation Commission

*City and Borough of Sitka
100 Lincoln Street
Sitka, Alaska 99835*

Nomination Form for Street and Public Facilities Name

Name you are suggesting for the list of Street and Public Facilities names (Please use separate form for each individual name):

Are you suggesting this name for the general list from which names will be drawn as needed, or for a specific street or other public facility?

Please set forth briefly the reasons this would be an appropriate name for a street or other public facility in Sitka (Use additional sheets if needed):

Does this suggested name meet the criteria set forth in the Policy on Naming Streets and Public Facilities? If it does not, please list reasons an exception to the policy:

Please list your own name and mailing address, with telephone number and e-mail address if you wish:

Sitka Historic Preservation Commission

For Request for Review of Potential Impacts to Heritage Resource(s)

A. Contact Name Kai Malicoat
Address 220 Observatory Street City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone 206-802-8542 Fax _____ email _____

B. Agency undertaking project: (circle)
 Private City State Federal Department _____

C. Date Agency received proposed project: _____

D. Are Federal funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

E. Are State funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

F. Will the project affect a National Historic Landmark or a site in the National Register of Historic Places? (See Appendix A) yes no

G. Is the site listed in the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey inventory? yes no
If yes, Site Number _____ Preservation Status _____
(refer to AHRS inventory for more information)

H. Is the Project within the Sitka Indian Village or Downtown Sitka yes no

I. Build date of current structure ¹⁹⁵⁹ _____

J. Describe the proposed project
Replace deck and stairs, enclose new arctic entry.

K. Purpose/Objectives for the undertaking

- L. Attach:
- Copy of a map of the proposed project including latitudinal and longitudinal information
 - Property owner information
 - Any other pertinent information

Mail Coversheet and attachments to:

Sitka Historic Preservation Commission
C/O City and Borough of Sitka
100 Lincoln Street
Sitka, Alaska 99835

- Notes to Applicant:
- Review will take place only during regular commission meetings or on an as needed basis.
 - Projects along Lincoln or Katlian Streets will require review with Planning Department staff.
 - The meetings are public and convene the second Wednesday of each month as advertised.
 - Review process may take up to 60 days.
 - The SHPC reserves the right to request additional information and/or time to review projects.

FOR THE CHAIR OF THE HPC ONLY:
ACTION: _____ SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____



EXISTING ENTRY



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NEW ENTRY



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SHEET NUMBER
2

NO SCALE
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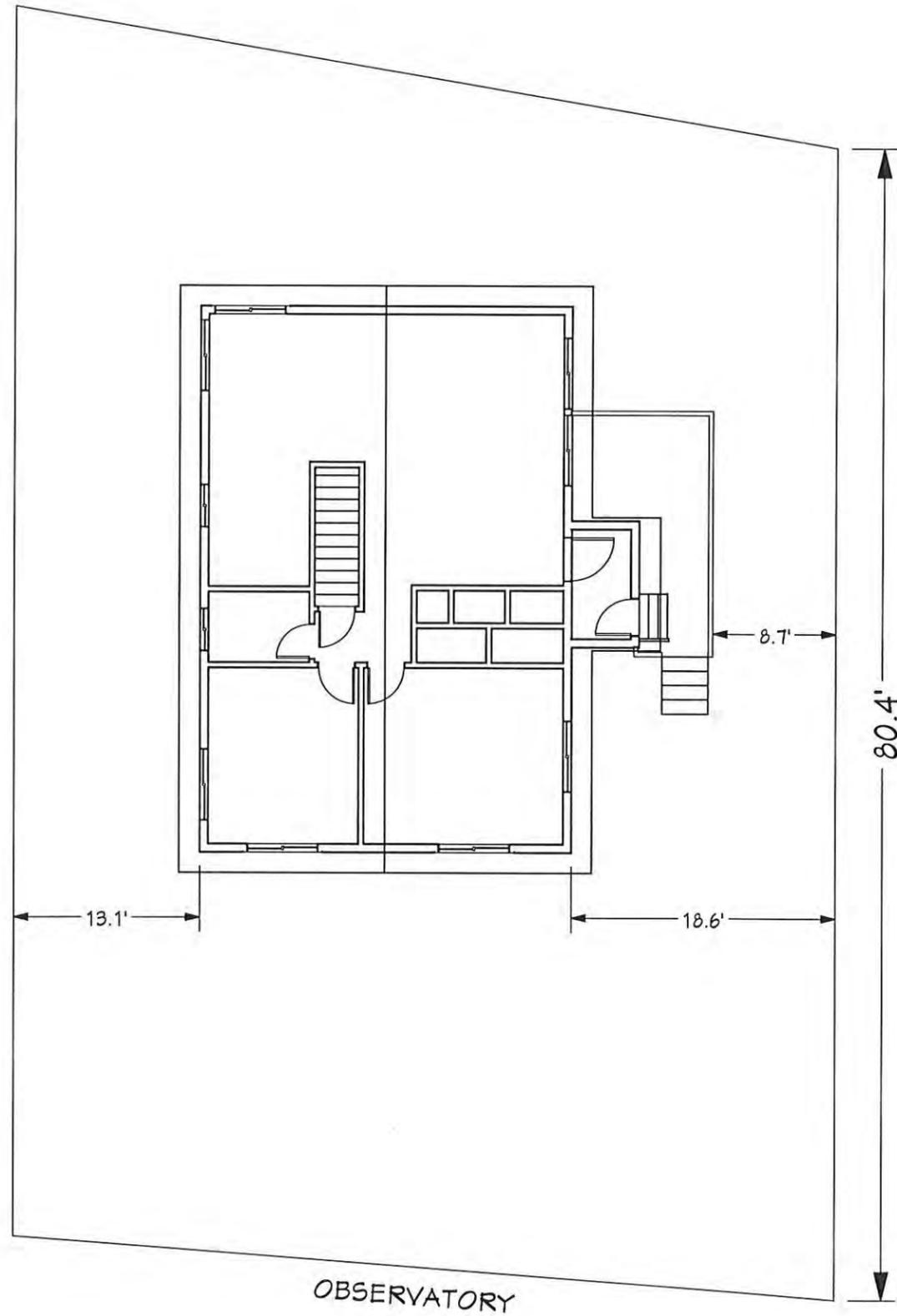
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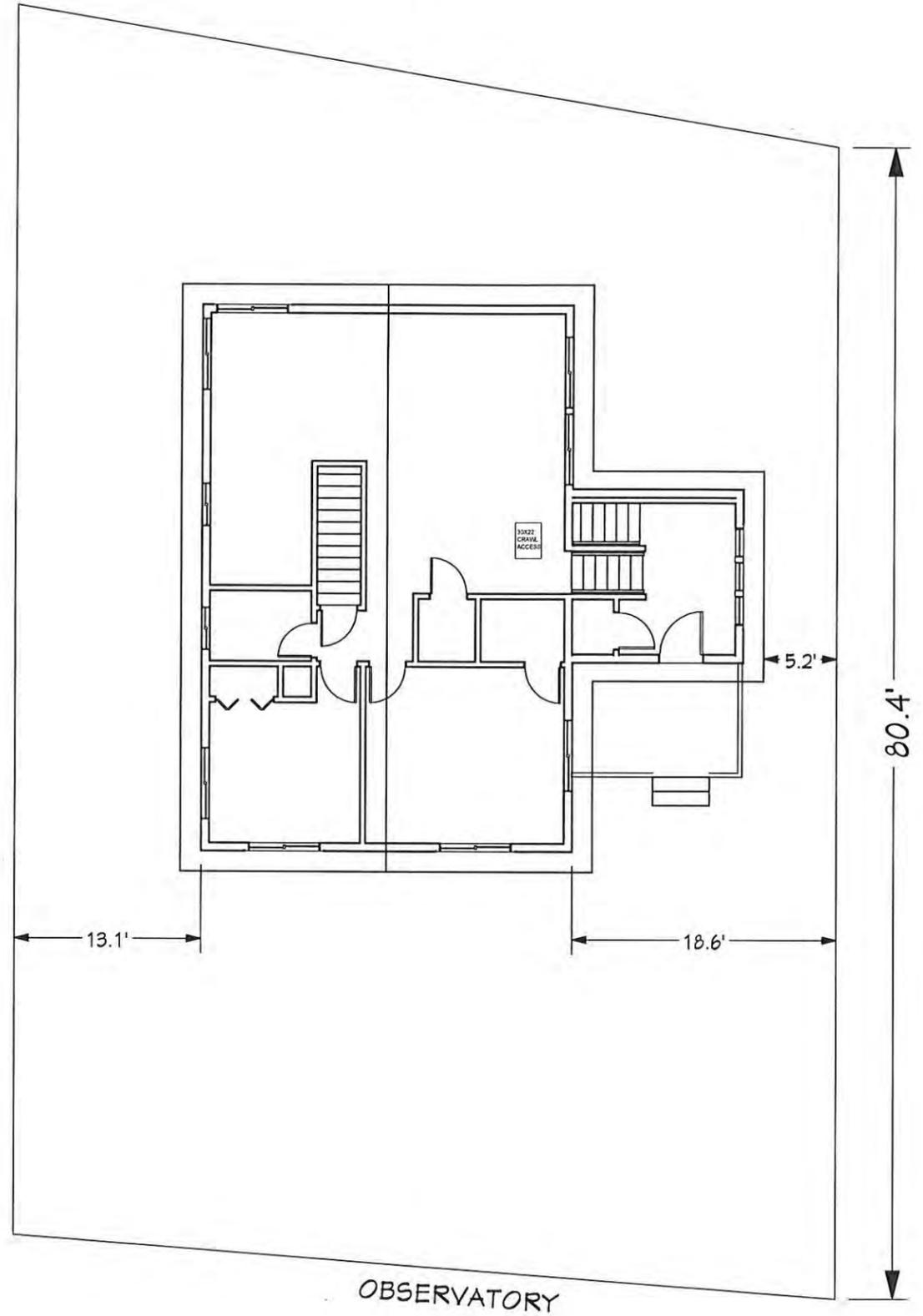
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EXISTING ENTRY



NEW ENTRY



ZONING
 1 ZONED SF
 2 14' FRONT, 5/9 SIDES, 8' REAR SETBACK

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A. Contact Name Kai Malicoat
Address 305 Tlingit Way City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone 206-802-8542 Fax _____ email _____

B. Agency undertaking project: (circle)
 Private City State Federal Department _____

C. Date Agency received proposed project: _____

D. Are Federal funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

E. Are State funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

F. Will the project affect a National Historic Landmark or a site in the National Register of Historic Places? (See Appendix A) yes no

G. Is the site listed in the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey inventory? yes no
If yes, Site Number _____ Preservation Status _____
(refer to AHRS inventory for more information)

H. Is the Project within the Sitka Indian Village or Downtown Sitka yes no

I. Build date of current structure ¹⁹⁶⁶ _____

J. Describe the proposed project
~~Replace existing decks and stairs. Enclose entry way on existing deck. Add new deck to south corner.~~

K. Purpose/Objectives for the undertaking
~~Replace and expand deck and stairs, enclose entry.~~

- L. Attach:
- Copy of a map of the proposed project including latitudinal and longitudinal information
 - Property owner information
 - Any other pertinent information

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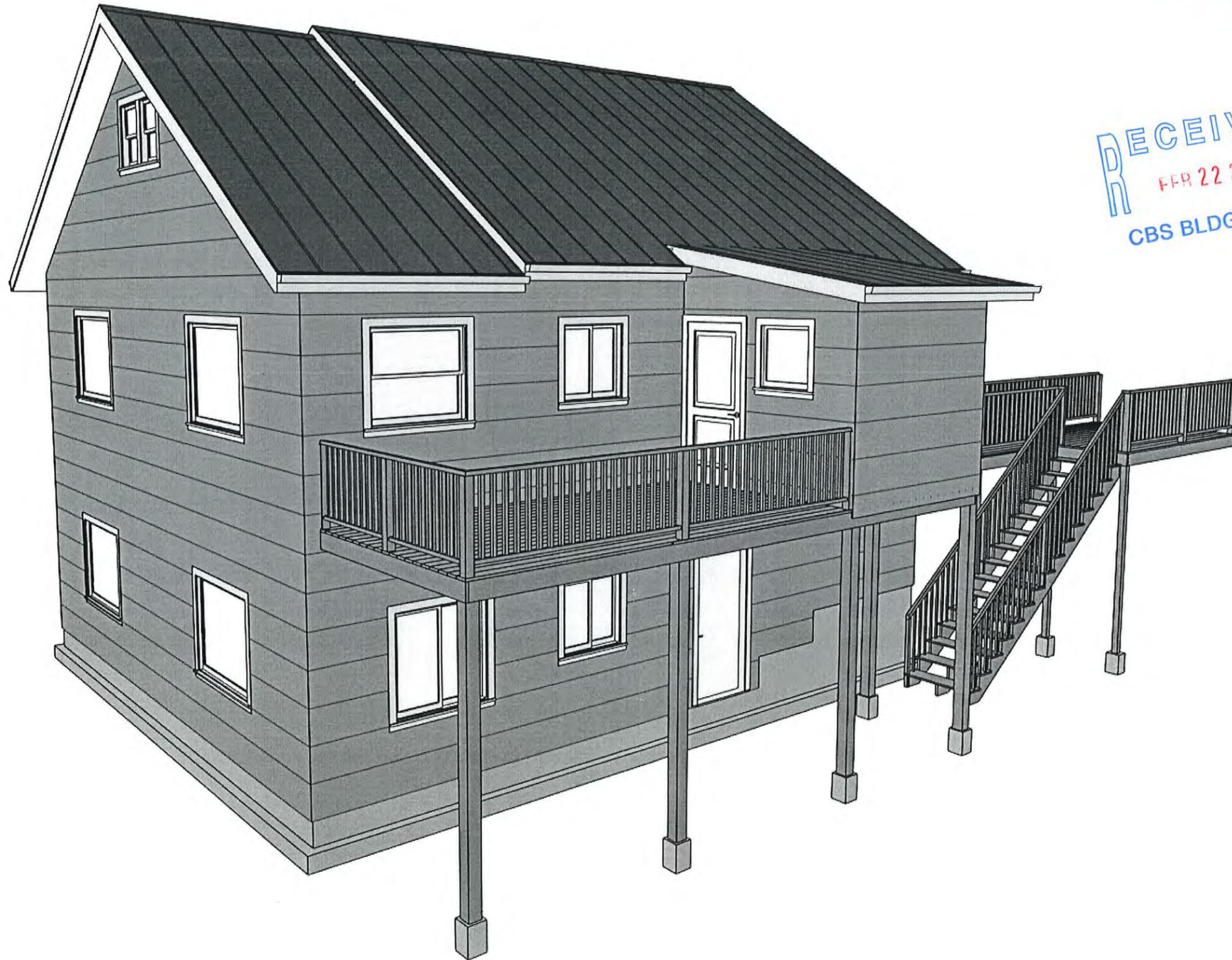
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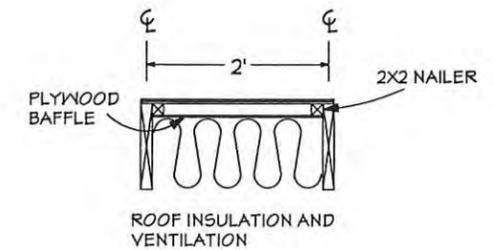
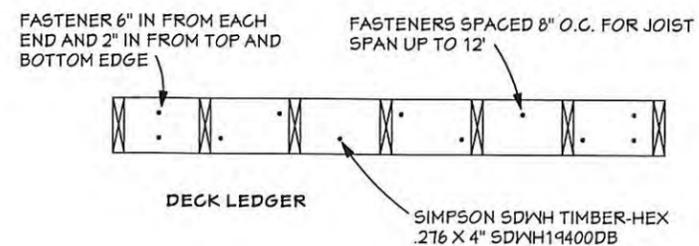
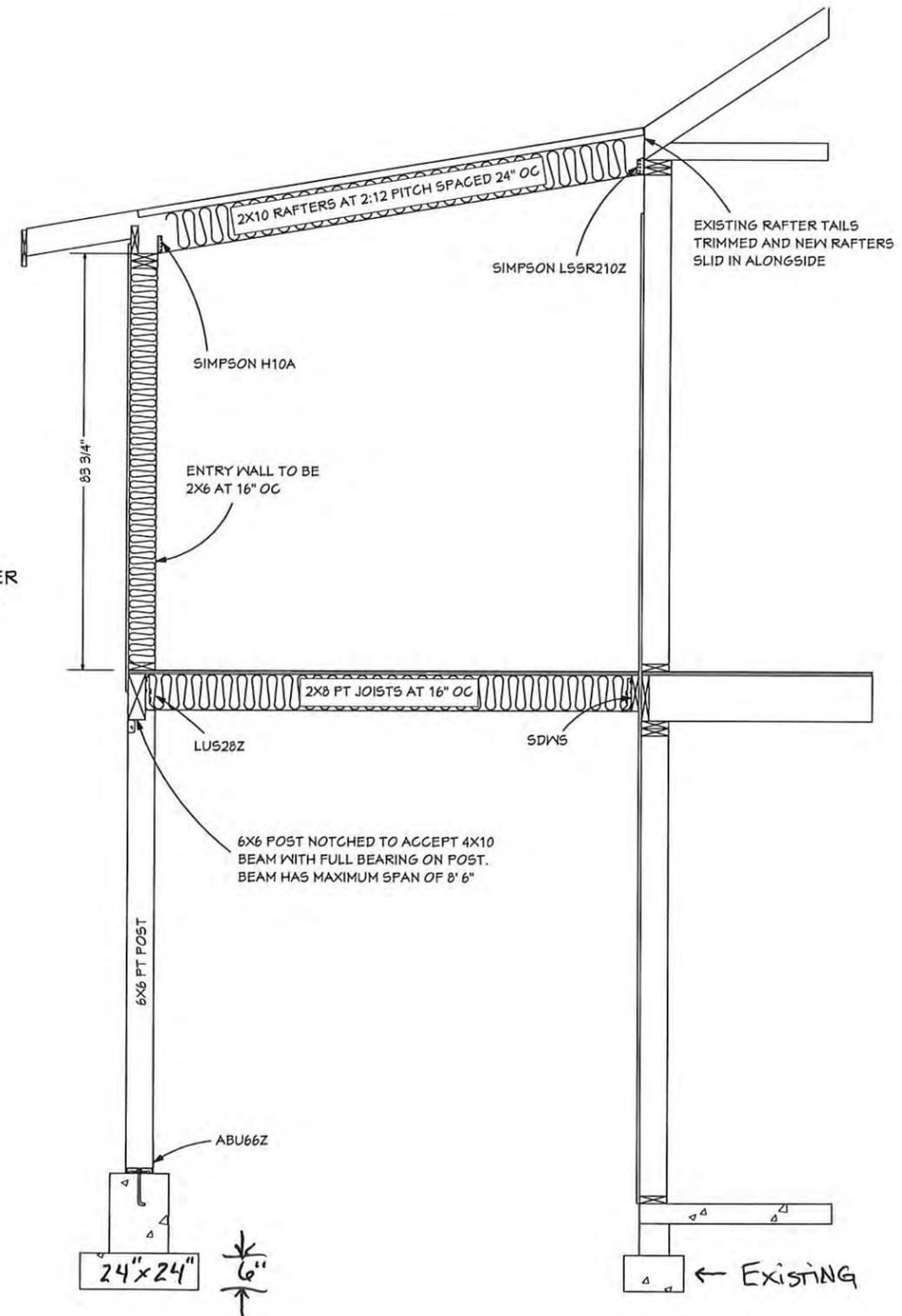
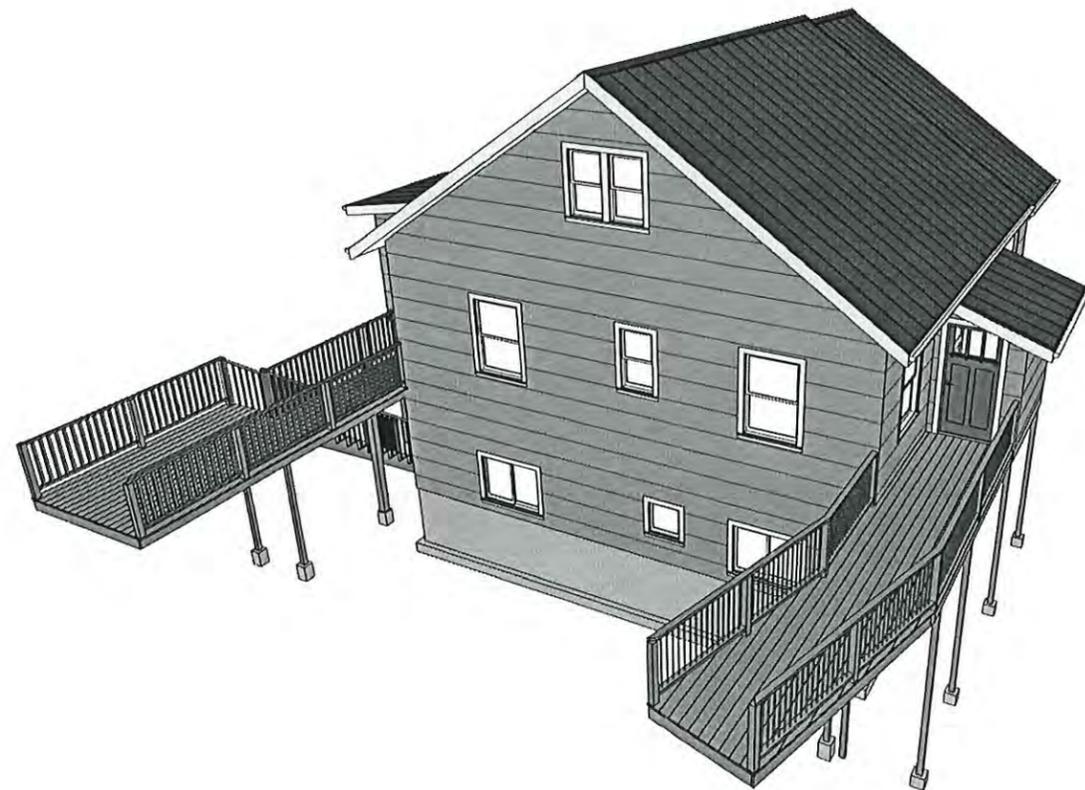
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LOT SIXTY-FOUR (64), BLOCK 2
THE NORTHWESTERLY PORTION OF LOT SIXTY-FOUR
US SURVEY 2542, SITKA TOWNSITE

DECK REPLACEMENT AND EXPANSION



STAIRS
 1 10" TREADS, 1" NOSING, WITH 7-1/2" RISER
 2 STAIR STRINGERS WILL NEED MID-SPAN SUPPORT
 3 PT 2X12 STRINGERS 12" OC



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A. Contact Name Diana Fulton-Twaddle
Address 450 Alice Loop City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ email _____

B. Agency undertaking project: (circle)
 Private City State Federal Department _____

C. Date Agency received proposed project: _____

D. Are Federal funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

E. Are State funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

F. Will the project affect a National Historic Landmark or a site in the National Register of Historic Places? (See Appendix A) yes no

G. Is the site listed in the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey inventory? yes no
If yes, Site Number _____ Preservation Status _____
(refer to AHRS inventory for more information)

H. Is the Project within the Sitka Indian Village or Downtown Sitka yes no

I. Build date of current structure New construction

J. Describe the proposed project
New construction of a tri-plex.

K. Purpose/Objectives for the undertaking
Housing.

- L. Attach:
- Copy of a map of the proposed project including latitudinal and longitudinal information
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 - Any other pertinent information

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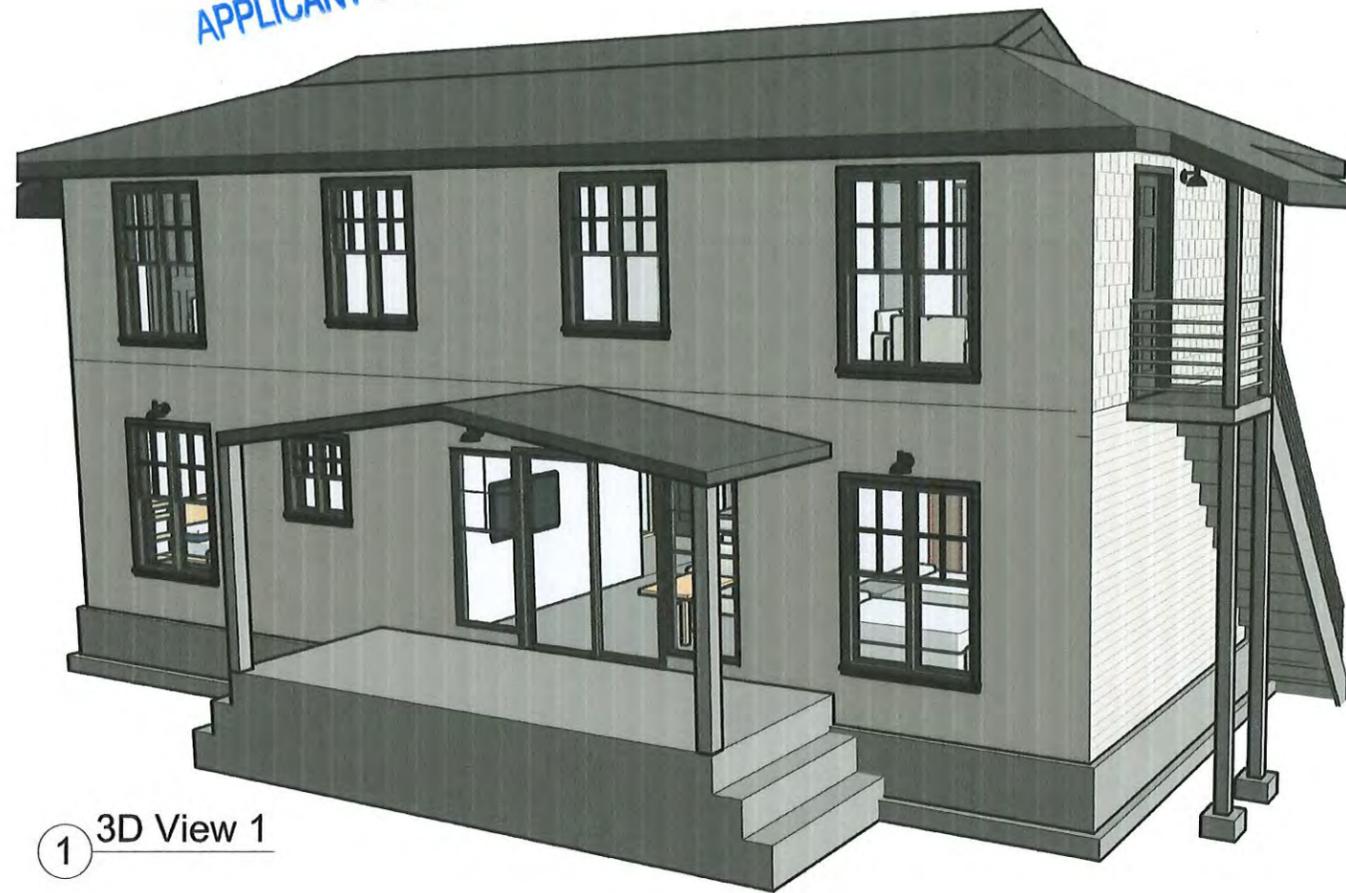
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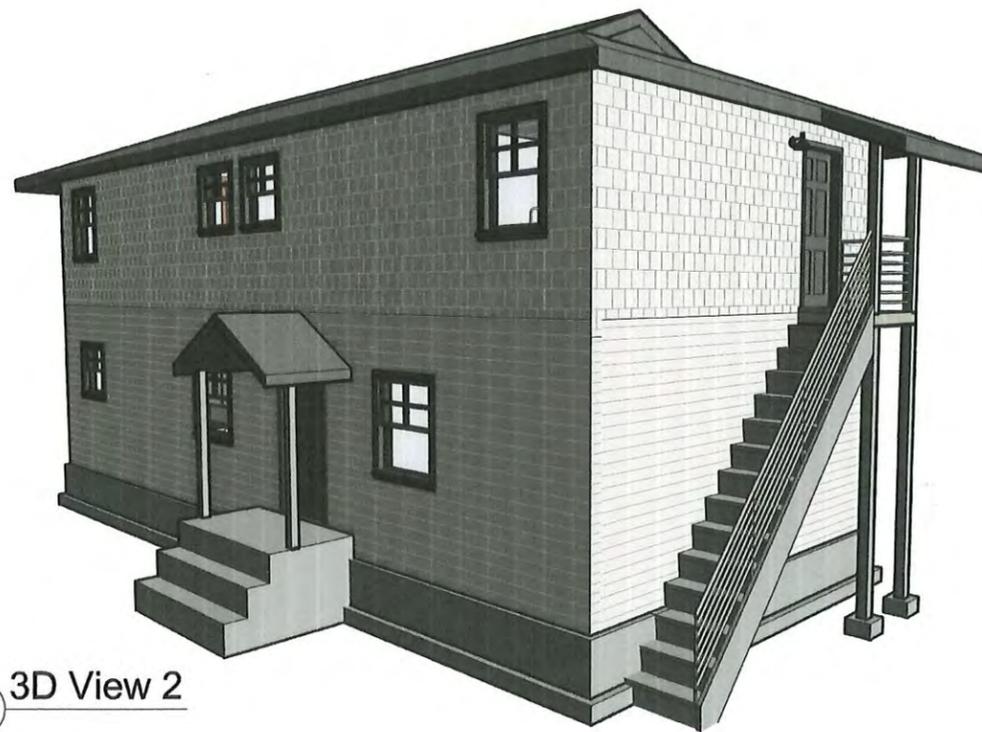
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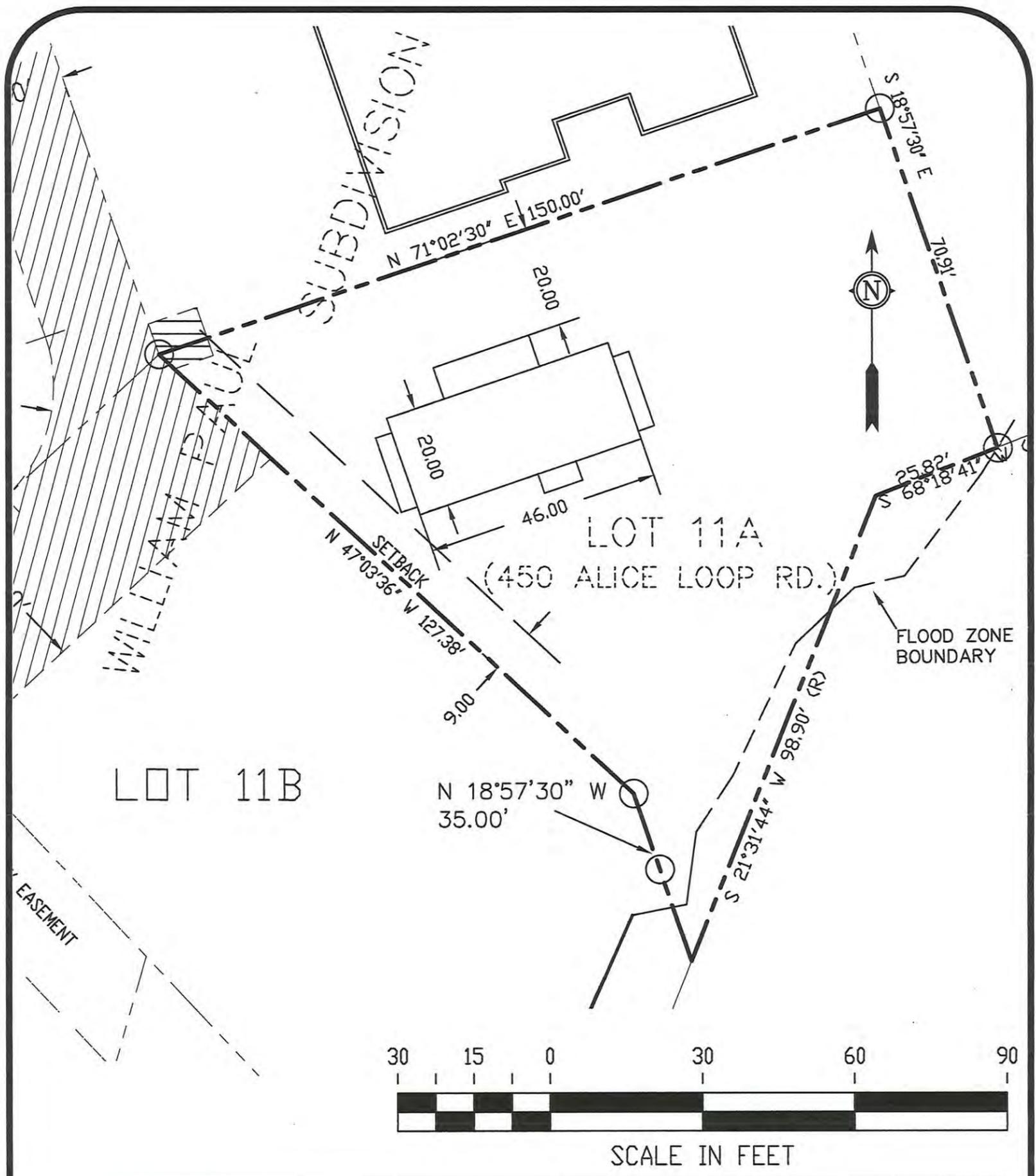


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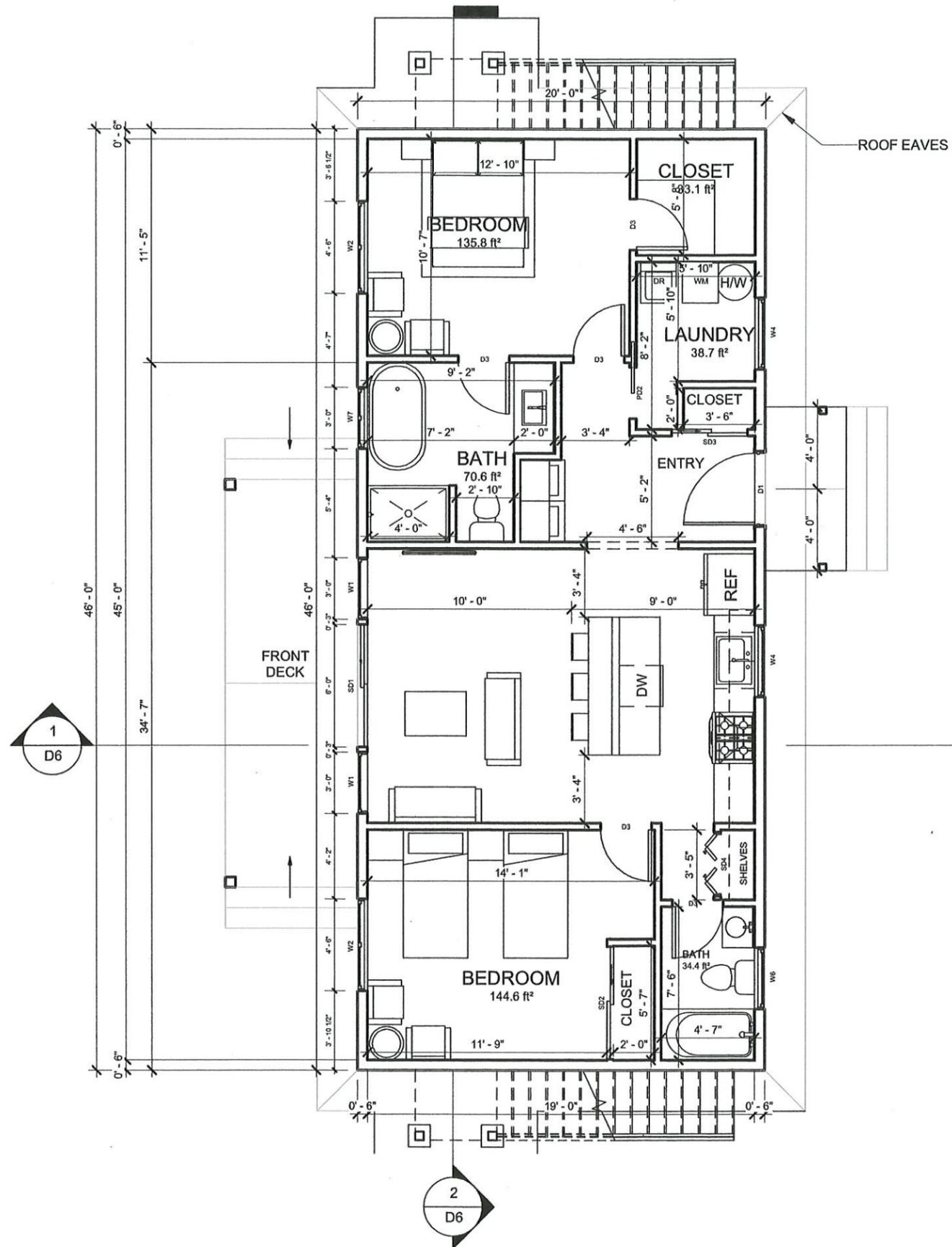
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SITE PLAN

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 (450 ALICE LOOP ROAD SITKA, AK)**

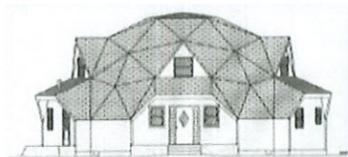
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Area Schedule	
Level	Area

Level 1	920.0 ft ²
Level 2	920.0 ft ²
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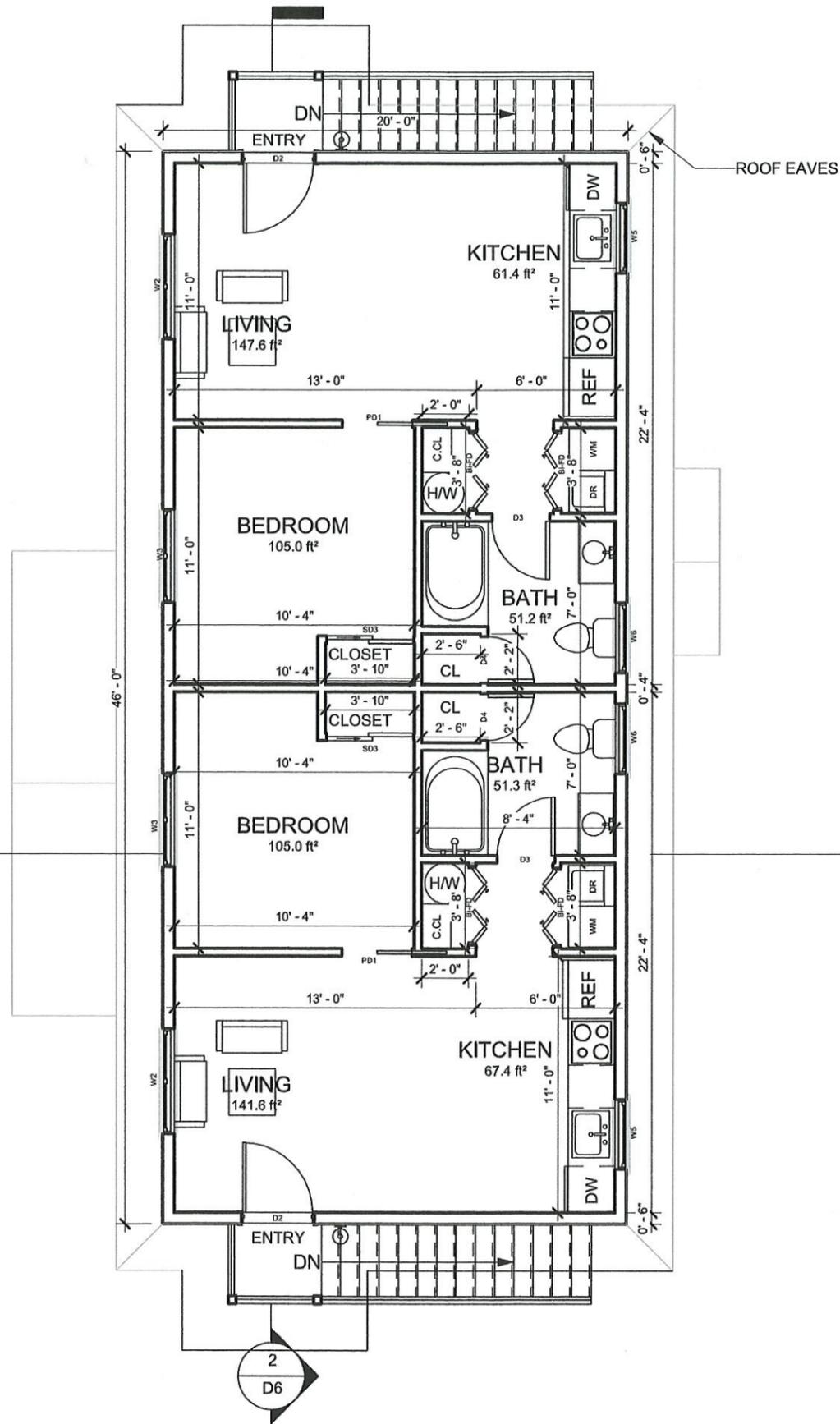
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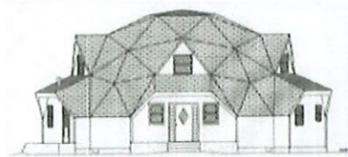
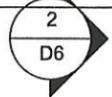
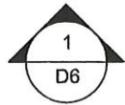
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Area Schedule	
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Level 2	920.0 ft ²
	1840.0 ft ²



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 FIRST LEVEL
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 Issue Date

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Sitka Historic Preservation Commission

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A. Contact Name Michael West
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ email mike.west@uscg.mil

B. Agency undertaking project: (circle)
 Private City State Federal Department U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

C. Date Agency received proposed project: _____

D. Are Federal funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

E. Are State funds involved (grants, funding, agency) yes no

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G. Is the site listed in the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey inventory? yes no
If yes, Site Number _____ Preservation Status _____
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H. Is the Project within the Sitka Indian Village or Downtown Sitka yes no

I. Build date of current structure _____

J. Describe the proposed project
Construction of shoreside facilities and associated infrastructure.

K. Purpose/Objectives for the undertaking
New port for new Sentinel Fast Response Cutter.

- L. Attach:
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Homeland Security

United States
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Commanding Officer
United States Coast Guard
Facilities Design & Construction Center

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15 February 2024

Sitka Historic Preservation Commission
100 Lincoln Street
2nd Floor, Municipal Bldg
Sitka, AK 99835
Phone: (907) 747-1814
Email: planning@cityofsitka.org
Kim.davis@cityofsitka.org

Dear Sitka Historic Preservation Commission:

The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) is proposing the construction of shoreside facilities and associated infrastructure necessary to homeport a new Sentinel Fast Response Cutter (FRC) at its facility in Sitka, Alaska (Sitka Moorings). To take into account various environmental concerns, the USCG is engaging early with the appropriate resource and regulatory agencies as it formulates the undertaking. The USCG is also preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate potential environmental impacts associated with the FRC facilities development.

In accordance with Section 306108 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and its implementing regulations at 36 CFR Part 800, the USCG is advising you of a proposed undertaking that has the potential to affect historic properties. The undertaking would require construction of a new 225-foot by 65-foot pier with an attached floating dock. The new pier/dock combination is designed to replace the existing aging pier that currently berths the Juniper Class Seagoing Buoy Tender (WLB) *Kukui* at the facility and provide the vertical loading, mooring, and fendering requirements for the homeporting of the FRC *Douglas Denman*.

The pier would have a north and south catwalk anchored with piles to provide the required mooring length and would also include a 50-foot by 50-foot crane hardstand. The combined pier and floating dock would be positioned to allow it to be as parallel to the channel as possible, while maintaining navigability of the FRC to transit. As a result of the combined pier/dock construction, the USCG would have to remove and relocate the existing approximately 1,800-square-foot float that is used by the City of Sitka for the annual salmon derby.

Associated upland construction activities would include connections to the pier such as utilities, lighting, shore tie connections, and other services. A small FRC boat bay maintenance facility would be added onto the existing WLB Cutter Support Building (CSB).

In order to facilitate the required capital improvements, the USCG is proposing acquisition of approximately 1.65 acres of land, which is currently leased by the USCG from the State of Alaska. This property comprises three individual parcels, Parcels C1 and C, which are managed by the Alaska Department of Education, and Parcel B, which is managed by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources. (The original proposal also included a fourth, Parcel F, which was managed by the Alaska

water and landside support facilities intended to reduce the overall project footprint.) Parcels C and B are currently in use by USCG; however, the remaining Parcel C1 would need to be cleared for redevelopment by the USCG. Utilities at the three parcels would be tied into the existing USCG infrastructure and run throughout the site and piers. Additionally, the parcels would be developed with site lighting, expanded security fencing, paving, parking, and laydown areas for aids to navigation (ATON).

The USCG recently completed cultural resources survey of the project's Area of Potential Effect (Attachment 1) and determined that the undertaking is within the Sitka Naval Operating Base and Coastal Defenses National Historic Landmark (NHL). Historic properties—contributing elements to the NHL and individually eligible properties—are located within the APE and are anticipated to experience adverse impacts. In addition, the project area has deep importance to the Sheet'ká Kwáan Tlingit and has the potential for inadvertent discoveries of human remains or other cultural material, though none were identified during survey.

Pursuant to 36 CFR §800.5(a), the USCG has determined that there would be an adverse effect to historic properties by FRC facilities development at Sitka Moorings. Attached for your review are copies of relevant supporting documents supporting the USCG's findings and determinations.

Consequently, the USCG is entering into consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office on our finding of *Adverse Effect* per 36 CFR §800.6, as well as notifying the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, National Park Service, Sitka Tribe of Alaska, Sitka Maritime Heritage Society, and other consulting parties, and seek their feedback, in accordance with 36 CFR §800.6. We plan to develop a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to resolve adverse effects.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Mr. Michael West, at (206) 815-1593 or by e-mail at Mike.West@uscg.mil with your response at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



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NEAL E. ARMSTRONG, P.E.
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: Figure 1 – USCG Sitka Moorings

Figure 2 – USCG Proposed Homeport Action at Sitka Moorings, Sitka, Alaska

Attachment 1 – *Cultural Resources Survey and Section 106 Review for Fast Response Cutter Facilities Development at U.S. Coast Guard Sitka Moorings Sitka, Alaska*

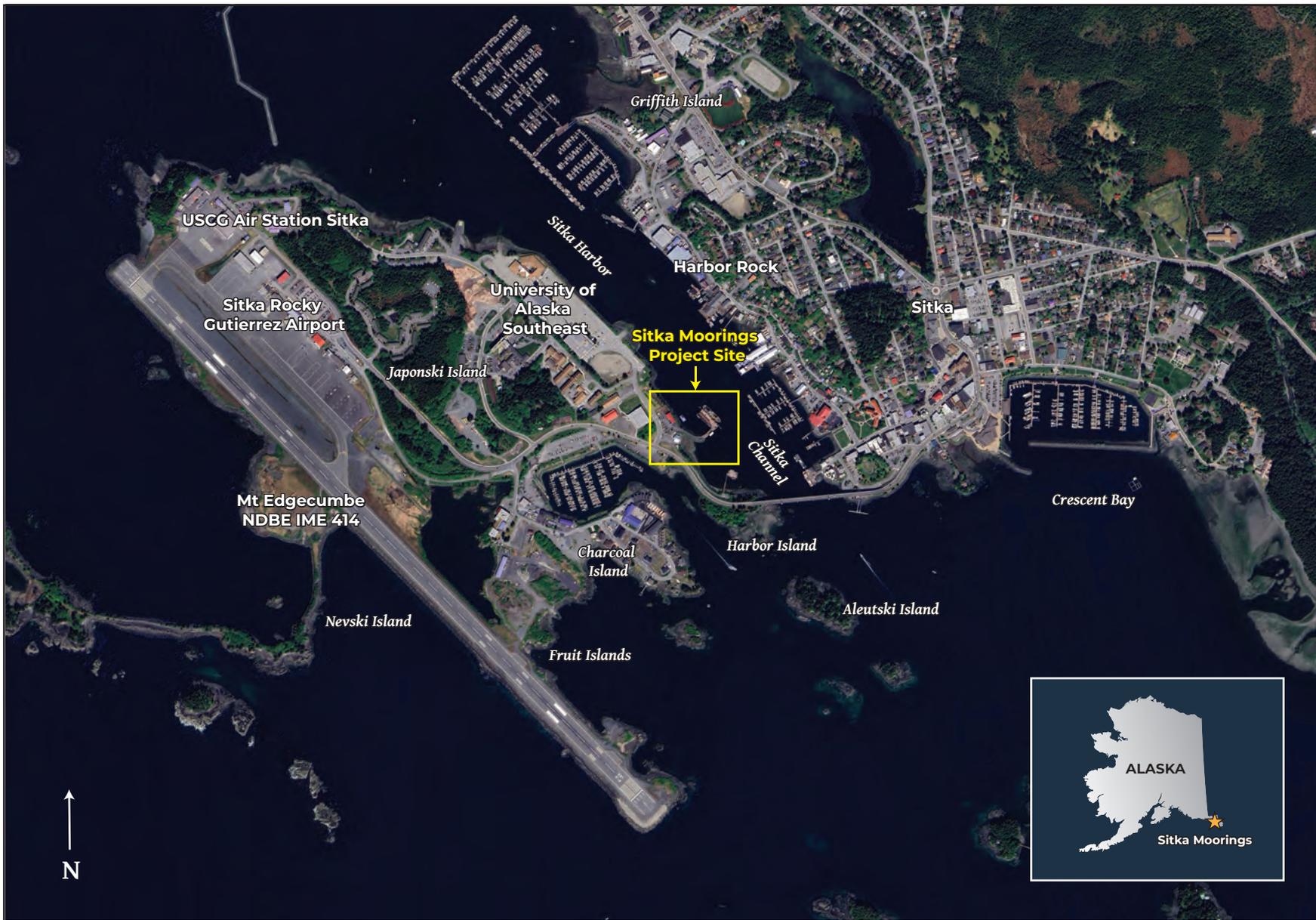


Figure 1. USCG Sitka Moorings

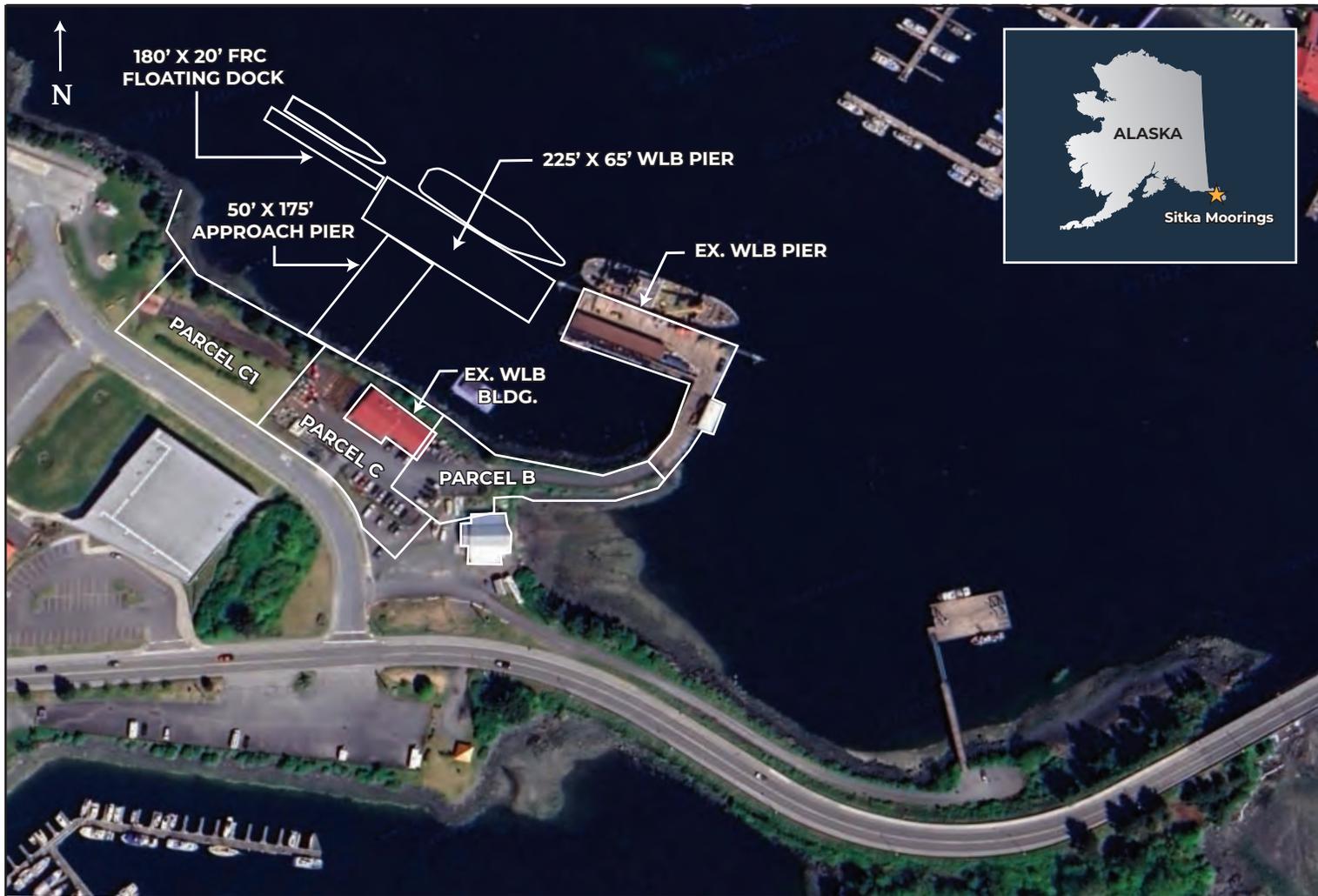


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