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To Commissioner Steve Bowman:

I am requesting a permit to place <sup>MARINE RESOURCES</sup> ~~PROTECTIVE~~ <sup>COMMISSION</sup> protective enclosures on privately leased ground held in my name, for the purpose of Oyster Aquaculture.

Permittee would be myself: Mark Sanford

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Permit is requested for an area of +/- 5 acres within my lease, location:

Lynnhaven River, Eastern Branch

Plot file # 19428 - 127.22 acres.

There will be no more than 500 structures\*

(\* aquaculture cages) placed at the site at any time. The cages will be deployed in rows with buoys marking the ends of each row.

The cages will be 3' x 4' enclosures made of 1" x 1" black vinyl covered, 11 G galvanized wire mesh, set on legs made of 3" x 3" black vinyl covered 14 G galvanized wire mesh.

Due to settling and leg design, the structures will not exceed 12" off of bottom in height.

The area to be used is sandy and shell bottom with no SAV present. There is a shell plant nearby. The closest marked navigational channel is approximately 200' away. The depth at mean low water ranges from 1' - 5'.

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The vertical clearance of cages at mean low water will vary depending on where, within, the area, the cages are placed. The estimated date of placement is 8-1-10. I ask for expeditious review and processing of the permit so it is obtained by the 'estimated placement date' of 8-1-10. If further information is needed please contact me. Thank-you.

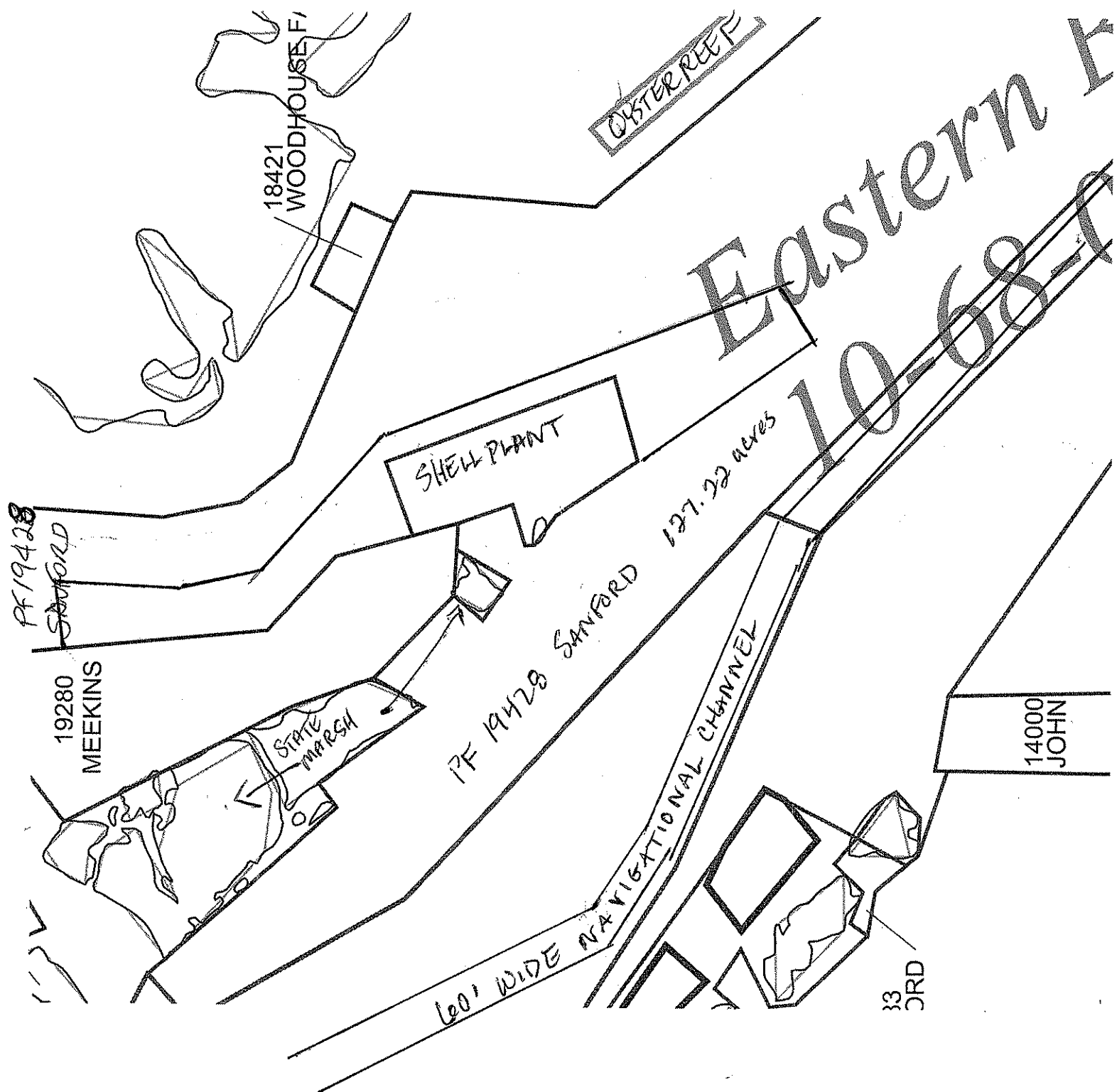
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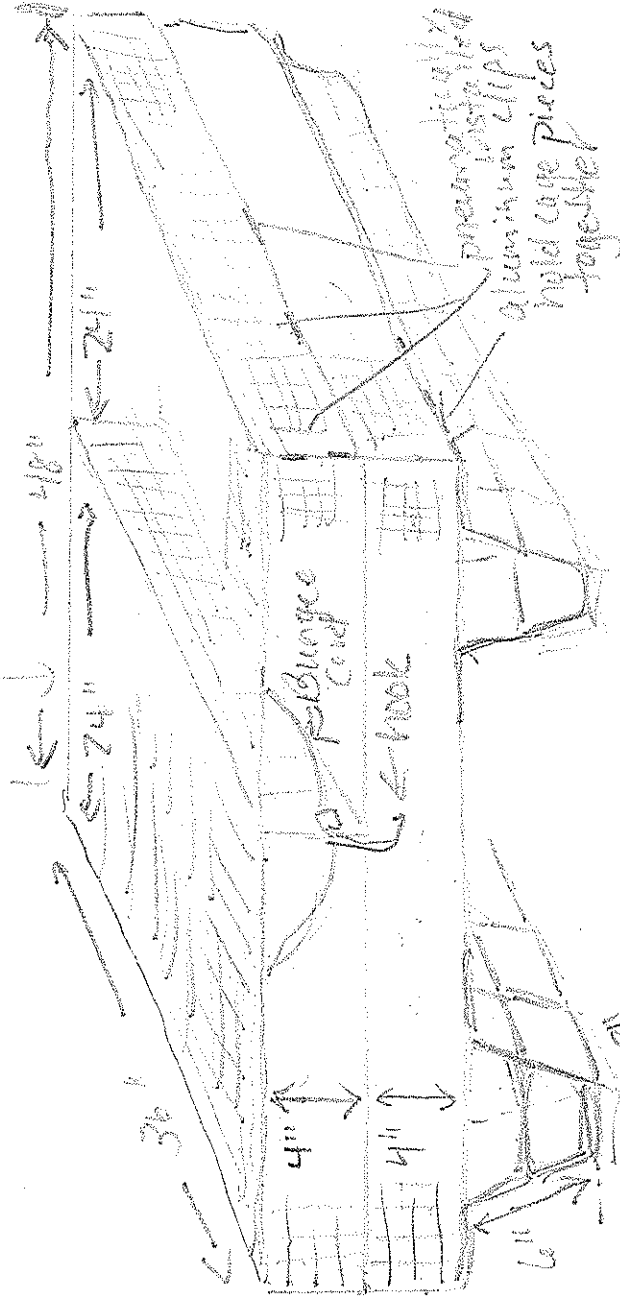


1" = 300 FT

= AREA OF PROPOSED PLACEMENT OF  
 TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ENCLOSURES FOR  
 SHELLFISH = +/- 5 ACRES

order wire mesh  
order stainless steel

Cage body 1"x1" 16 vinyl covered  
galvanized wire



legs 3"x3" 14G vinyl covered galvanized wire  
run the 36" length of each side