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Naval Support Activity South Potomac Instruction 5090.3D

Subj: NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY SOUTH POTOMAC RECREATIONAL FISHING
PROGRAM REGULATIONS

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5090.1D
(b) 16 USC 670 - Conservation Program on Military
Reservations (Sikes Act)
(c) Virginia Annotated Code; Title 28.2 Fisheries and
Habitat of Tidal Waters and Title 29.1 Game, Inland
Fisheries and Boating
(d) Annotated Code of Maryland; Title 08, Subtitle 02
Fisheries Service
(e) Naval Support Facility Dahlgren Integrated Natural
Resources Management Plan
(f) Naval Support Facility Indian Head Integrated Natural
Resources Management Plan
(g) Naval Support Activity South Potomac Physical
Security Plan, Ch.2

Encl: (1) Naval Support Activity South Potomac General Fishing
Regulations
(2) Naval Support Facility Dahlgren Fishing Program
Procedures
(3) Naval Support Facility Indian Head Fishing Program
Procedures

1. Purpose. To establish recreational fishing program regulations and procedures governing recreational fishing on Navy property at Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) in accordance with references (a) through (g). NSASP is comprised of Naval Support Facility Dahlgren, VA (NSFDL) and Naval Support Facility Indian Head, MD (NSFIH).

2. Cancellation. NSASPINST 5090.3C

3. Background. Recreational fishing is permitted on ponds, creeks, and the Potomac River, except where otherwise posted or noted. NSASP fishing program regulations are established to

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ensure compliance with local fishing regulations, to provide a safe fishing environment, and to prevent conflicts between recreational fishing activities and the military mission. The respective Natural Resources Manager (NRM) administers the fishing program.

4. Scope. Established regulations apply to all anglers fishing on NSASP property. All anglers are subject to the rules and regulations established by the Installation Commanding Officer. Violation of any Federal, State, Commonwealth, County, or NSASP regulations may be cause for permanent revocation of fishing privileges on the Installation and/or prosecution in federal district court. The respective NRM shall investigate alleged violations of rules and regulations. In addition, all Federal, State, Commonwealth or County violations will be turned over to NSASP Law Enforcement and respective State or Commonwealth conservation law enforcement officers. Anglers convicted of a Federal, State, Commonwealth, County or NSASP violation may appeal to their respective Assistant Installation Environmental Program Manager (AIEPM) and NRM within 30 days.

5. Action. All authorized anglers shall comply with the enclosed regulations that govern fishing on NSASP property. Failure to adhere to the provisions of this instruction may result in administrative or disciplinary action including the temporary or permanent loss of privileges. This decision shall be based upon the input from the respective AIEPD and NRM.


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NSASP General Fishing Regulations

1. Safety. Safety is of the utmost concern and importance on Naval Support Activity South Potomac (NSASP) property. Fishing is an enjoyable and relaxing outdoor pastime, but also presents safety hazards. All anglers are advised to watch for changing weather patterns, strong river currents, and floating debris. Anglers are advised to remain cautious when near the water and adults shall ensure that adequate personal protective devices (PPD) are worn when warranted, especially for children.

2. Responsibilities

a. Natural Resources Manager (NRM). The respective NRM, Building 182 (540-653-4186) at Naval Support Facility Dahlgren (NSFDL) and Building 554 (301-744-2273) at Naval Support Facility Indian Head (NSFIH), are responsible for managing fish and wildlife resources including the implementation of the fisheries management program, and enforcement and oversight of program regulations.

b. Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) Department. The respective MWR cashiers, Building 106 (540-653-8785) at NSFDL and Building 620 (301-744-4850) at NSFIH, shall issue permits and collect permit fees. Methods of collection, disbursement, and handling of funds shall be in accordance with standard fiscal operating procedures established by the Navy Comptroller Office. Funds shall be expended, on the Facility in which collected, for the conservation of fish and wildlife resources, which includes covering the cost of the NSASP fishing program.

c. NSASP Law Enforcement (LE). NSASP LE, in Building 237 (540-653-8719) at NSFDL and Building D-339 (301-744-4381) at NSFIH, shall control access to NSASP property and, only when requested by the respective NRM, provide support in ensuring that all individuals participating in the program are properly licensed, permitted, and adhere to all Federal, State, Commonwealth, County, and NSASP regulations; per references (c), (d) and (g).

3. Access

a. NSASP Fishing Program access shall be determined based on the security level at each fishing area. All anglers shall

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adhere to access control criteria, based on the designated area security level, established in reference (g), to be considered for participation in the NSASP fishing program. The following anglers are authorized to fish in the following areas based on their eligibility status.

(1) Level 1 (NSFDL Mainside and NSFIIH Mainside Non-Restricted Area):

(a) NSASP supporting and supported command active duty military personnel and civilian government employees

(b) Active and retired military personnel

(c) NSASP supporting and supported command base residents and their dependents

(d) NSASP supporting and supported command contractors possessing a Common Access Card (CAC) and onsite office space

(e) NSASP supporting and supported command retired civilian government employees with a DoD Retiree CAC

(f) Guests of all the above

(2) Level II (NSFIIH Mainside Restricted Area):

(a) NSASP supporting and supported command active duty military personnel and civilian government employees and contractors currently possessing credentials authorizing access to the Restricted Area.

(3) Controlled Access (NSFIIH Stump Neck Annex).

(a) NSASP supporting and supported command active duty military personnel and civilian government employees and contractors currently possessing a CAC (that has been approved for access). Those without after-hours CAC access shall be limited to fishing Monday-Friday from 0600-1800.

b. The respective MWR Office shall sell base fishing permits to anglers. Recreational fishing permits are available from the NSFDL MWR cashier, Building 106, Monday through Friday

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(0900-1800) and Saturday and Sunday (1200-1800), and the NSFIIH cashier, Building 620, Monday through Friday (0930-1700). The base fishing permits are \$6.00 (\$5.00 permit fee with a \$1.00 issuing fee for MWR). If a combination hunting/fishing permit at NSFIIH is purchased, then the cost of the fishing permit is already included. NSASP anglers under 16 or over 65 years of age shall not be charged permit fees and will be issued a no-cost permit.

c. An individual shall present appropriate identification credentials as to their status and display the appropriate State fishing license. The respective MWR Cashier shall inspect the credentials prior to issuing a recreational fishing permit. Fishing permits are valid for 1 year from the date of purchase. The permit shall remain in the individual's possession while fishing on NSASP property.

d. Sponsors are responsible for their guest's actions and shall be in their company at all times. Sponsors shall accompany their guests to the respective MWR cashier office to purchase a recreational fishing permit and to the Visitor Control Office for a daily Visitor Badge, as necessary.

4. Non-tidal and Tidal Fishing Seasons

a. All NSFIDL and NSFIIH non-tidal and tidal fishing seasons shall follow the seasons determined by the Commonwealth and State fishing regulations, per references (c) and (d).

5. Non-tidal and Tidal Fishing Possession and Size Limits

a. All NSFIDL and NSFIIH non-tidal and tidal fishing possession and size limits shall follow the limits determined by the Commonwealth and State fishing regulations, per references (c) and (d).

6. Special Restrictions

a. The following special restrictions apply:

(1) The use of crab pots, cast nets, seines and bait traps shall be in accordance with applicable Potomac River Fisheries Commission and Commonwealth of Virginia and State of

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Maryland regulations and shall require prior authorization from the respective NRM.

(2) Open-air fires are strictly prohibited without prior authorization from the respective Fire Departments.

(3) Littering is strictly prohibited.

(4) Ice fishing is prohibited.

(5) Consuming alcoholic beverages while fishing at NSASP is strictly prohibited.

(6) Turtle trapping is prohibited.

(7) Do not disturb or handle any unidentified objects (e.g., ordnance) found while fishing. If ordnance is found, call 301-744-4333 at NSFIIH or 540-653-8095 at NSFDL so that appropriate personnel can be notified.

(8) Transporting and releasing fish from one body of water to another is prohibited.

(9) Using minnows or other live "bait-fish" when fishing in ponds is prohibited.

(10) Attempting to capture, harm, or take wildlife species or disturb their nesting places is prohibited.

(11) Do not cut, mutilate, or destroy trees.

(12) Do not block roadways or fire lanes with vehicles.

(13) The use of gasoline powered motors on ponds is prohibited.

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NSFDL Fishing Program Procedures**1. General Requirements**

a. All anglers under 16 years of age shall be accompanied by a permitted parent or guardian at all times.

b. All anglers shall initiate and terminate their activities by signing in and out of the Fishing Logbook in the Game Check Station. This requirement will provide information to all sportsmen on their distribution across the property, reduce user conflicts, and ensure a safe fishing environment.

c. Appropriate Commonwealth, County, Potomac River Fisheries Commission, or nonresident fishing licenses are required to obtain a NSFDL fishing permit. Licenses required to fish in the following bodies of water are:

(1) Hideaway and Cooling Ponds - Commonwealth or County Freshwater Fishing License.

(2) Gambo and Upper Machodoc Creeks - Commonwealth or County Freshwater License, Commonwealth Saltwater Fishing License, or Potomac River Fisheries Sport Fishing License.

(3) Potomac River (shoreline) - Commonwealth Saltwater Fishing License.

(4) Potomac River (boat) - Commonwealth Saltwater, Potomac River Fisheries Commission Sport Fishing, or Maryland Tidal Sport Fishing License.

(5) A Commonwealth fishing license is not required for anglers under 16 years of age.

d. Fishing is permitted in the Cooling Pond year round. Fishing in other bodies of water is restricted during the workweek except during lunchtime and non-duty hours (i.e., leave and liberty) unless testing operations are in progress. Access for fishing in these bodies of water is restricted as follows:

(1) Hideaway Pond. Fishing is permitted year round except during the deer firearms hunting season from November through January on Saturdays, holidays, and during the site-

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observed 'holiday shutdown' between Christmas and New Years, and during the spring gobbler season from mid-April through May on Saturdays (before 1200 during first four Saturdays; no fishing the last two Saturdays).

(2) Gambo Creek. Fishing is permitted year round but only at the following locations during the hunting season (October-May): Blandy Blvd, the middle bridge, and the mouth.

(3) Upper Machodoc Creek. Fishing is permitted year round except in the 'No Fishing' areas identified in Figure (1) with the exception of the housing area. Navy personnel who reside along Upper Machodoc Creek may access their shoreline to fish at any time. Fishing on the Yardcraft piers is permitted Monday-Friday from 1700 to 0600 and all day Saturday, Sunday, and holidays. Fishing from the piers is restricted to those with appropriate signage. No vehicles are permitted on the piers at any time. The Yardcraft boat ramp is off limits to launching boats for recreational fishing purposes at all times.

(4) Potomac River. Fishing is permitted year round, except in the 'No Fishing' areas as noted in Figure (1).

NOTE: Favorite fishing spots along Upper Machodoc Creek and the Potomac River may be in proximity to small game and waterfowl hunting areas. Anglers shall be conscious of their activities as well as those of hunters.

(5) Fishing is not permitted on Pumpkin Neck at any time.

e. All Commonwealth of Virginia and Potomac River Fisheries Commission fishing creel limits shall be observed. The respective NRM may establish stricter requirements as necessary.

2. Specific Requirements

a. Fishing is permitted in the ponds, Gambo Creek, and along the Potomac River and Upper Machodoc Creek shorelines except where specified in Figure (1). OFF LIMITS areas include the shoreline from the Nice Bridge to the upriver boundary of Terminal Range, from Building 200 to Yardcraft, and from Yardcraft to the NSFDL property boundary at the Dahlgren Yacht

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Club pier. However, fishing is permitted along the Yacht Club bulkhead.

(1) Hideaway Pond

(a) Persistent elevated mercury levels warrant a catch and release fishery. Trophy fish may be kept for mounting purposes only.

(b) Bow and arrow fishing for carp is permitted.

(2) Gambo Creek. Bow and arrow fishing for snakehead and carp is permitted.

(3) Potomac River and Upper Machodoc Creek. Strict adherence to season and creel restrictions established by the Commonwealth of Virginia and Potomac River Fisheries Commission is mandatory. Figure (1) includes the shoreline boundary between the river and the creek.

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NSFIH Fishing Program Procedures**1. General Requirements**

a. All anglers shall be at least 18 years of age to fish at areas designated as restricted at NSFIH. There is no age restriction for fishing at NSFIH non-restricted areas, however, children shall be accompanied by a permitted parent or guardian at all times.

b. All fishing regulations follow the State of Maryland and the Potomac River Fisheries Commission fishing regulations, unless otherwise noted. A Maryland tidal license is required to fish the mainstream of the Potomac River from the shore. A Potomac River Fisheries Commission or Maryland Tidal license is required while fishing the Potomac River from a boat. A Maryland tidal license is required while boat fishing that portion of Mattawoman Creek and Chicamuxen Creek authorized for fishing. A Maryland tidal license is also required while fishing from the shore in the areas authorized for fishing in the Mattawoman Creek and Chicamuxen Creek. A Maryland non-tidal license is required while fishing the Area 8 pond.

c. During the striped bass season, a valid striped bass permit must be in the angler's possession during the open season either on the Potomac River or Maryland tidal waters. During the trout season, a Maryland Non-tidal license and a Maryland Trout Stamp is required to fish in the Area 8 pond if trout stocking occurred in the previous year.

d. Maryland Tidal Creek Boundaries. The boundaries of Mattawoman Creek and Chicamuxen Creek are identified as follows: The Mattawoman Creek confluence is defined from the boundary just offshore of Building 755, down river to the Stump Neck Annex Building 2076 Dive Locker Pier. Potomac River Fisheries Commission demarcation signs are installed to show the exact location of the Mattawoman Creek confluence. The Chicamuxen Creek confluence is defined from the boundary just offshore of Building 2000, down river to where the electrical transmission lines intersect the Maryland shoreline.

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2. Specific Requirements

a. Restricted and Controlled Access Areas. Recreational fishing privileges are dependent upon access to the Restricted and Controlled Access Areas. There is one Restricted Access Area and one Controlled Access Area associated with NSFIIH. The Restricted Access Area is defined as the portion of NSFIIH that is accessible beyond the NSFIIH Mainside Security Gates II and III and the Controlled Access Area is the entire facility at Stump Neck Annex.

(1) NSFIIH Mainside. Fishing is authorized along the Potomac River within 150 yards in either direction of Building 739, as shown in Figure (2). This area is open for fishing Monday through Friday from 0630 to 1700 hours.

(2) Stump Neck Annex. This area is open to fishing Monday through Sunday from 0630 to 1700 hours, unless otherwise noted. Fishing is authorized along the Potomac River shoreline from the intersection of Archer and Roach Road down river to Building 2076, Dive Locker Pier. Fishing hours at the Building 2076, Dive Locker Pier are Monday through Sunday from 0530 to 2330 hours. Fishing is also authorized at the Chicamuxen Creek pier behind Buildings 2083/2084, as shown in Figure (3), from 0530 to 2330 hours. The Area 8 pond, above Building 2110, is open for fishing Monday through Friday from 1600 to 2030 hours and Saturday through Sunday from 0630 to 2030 hours.

b. Non-Restricted Access Areas. The Non-Restricted Access Area includes that portion of NSFIIH Mainside from the Post I Security Gate to the Post II and III Security Gates and Bullitt Neck.

(1) NSFIIH Mainside. Fishing is authorized at the Dashiell Marina and along the Potomac River, downriver from Dashiell Marina, to the first visible point along the shoreline. This area is open to fishing Monday through Sunday from 0530 to 2330 hours.

c. Special Access Areas. The following areas, unless otherwise noted, are open to all personnel with a NSASP fishing permit. Authorization shall be obtained from the NRM at 301-744-2273, prior to accessing these areas.

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(1) Bullitt Neck, Rum Point, Thoroughfare Island, and Marsh Island. Special access to Bullitt Neck and Rum Point shall be granted by the NRM prior to use. Thoroughfare Island and Marsh Island shall not be controlled for regulated fishing access. These areas are open to fishing Monday through Sunday from 0530 to 2330 hours.

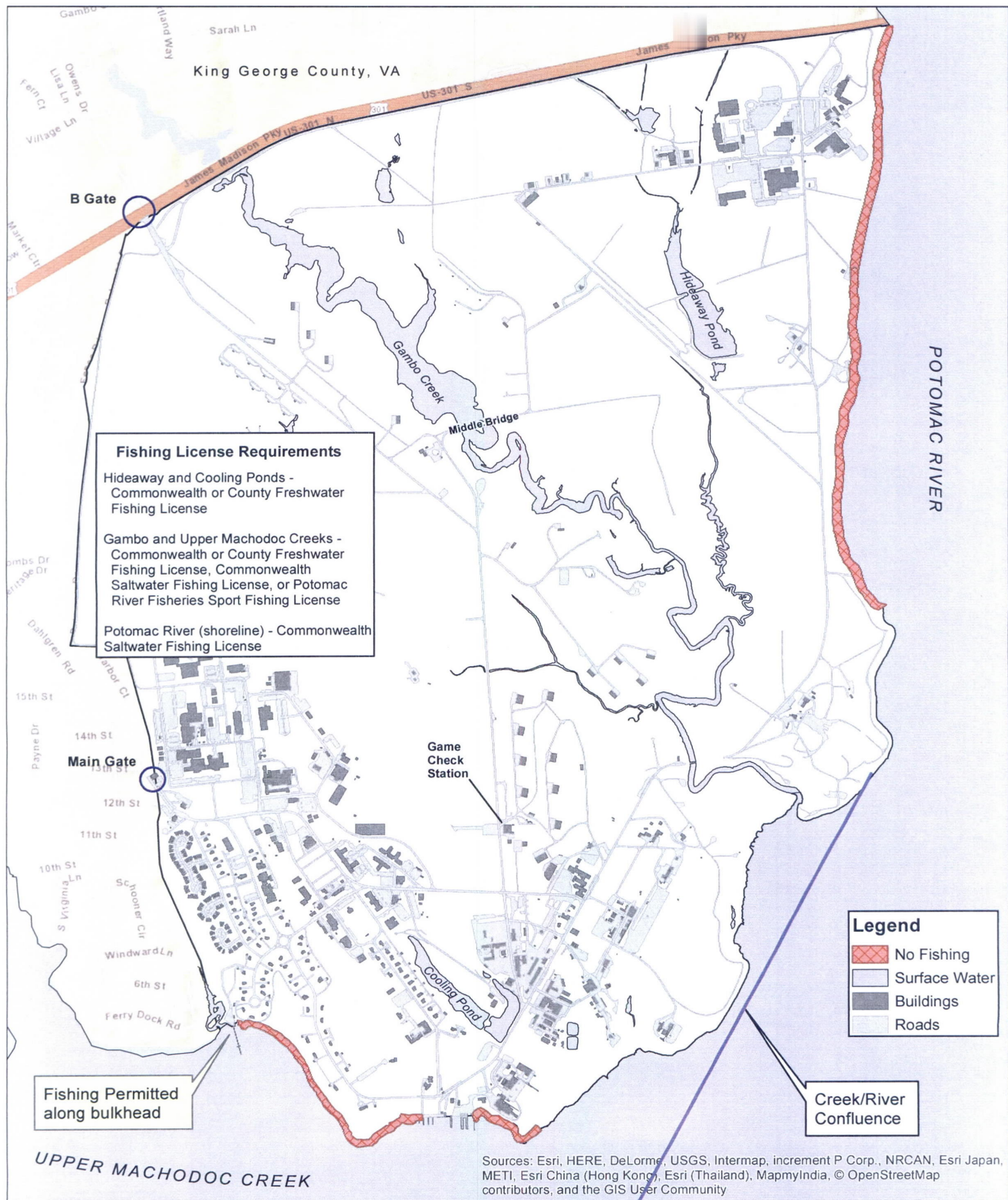


Figure 1
Naval Support Facility Dahlgren
Dahlgren, VA 22448

**Naval Support Facility Dahlgren
Fishing Areas**

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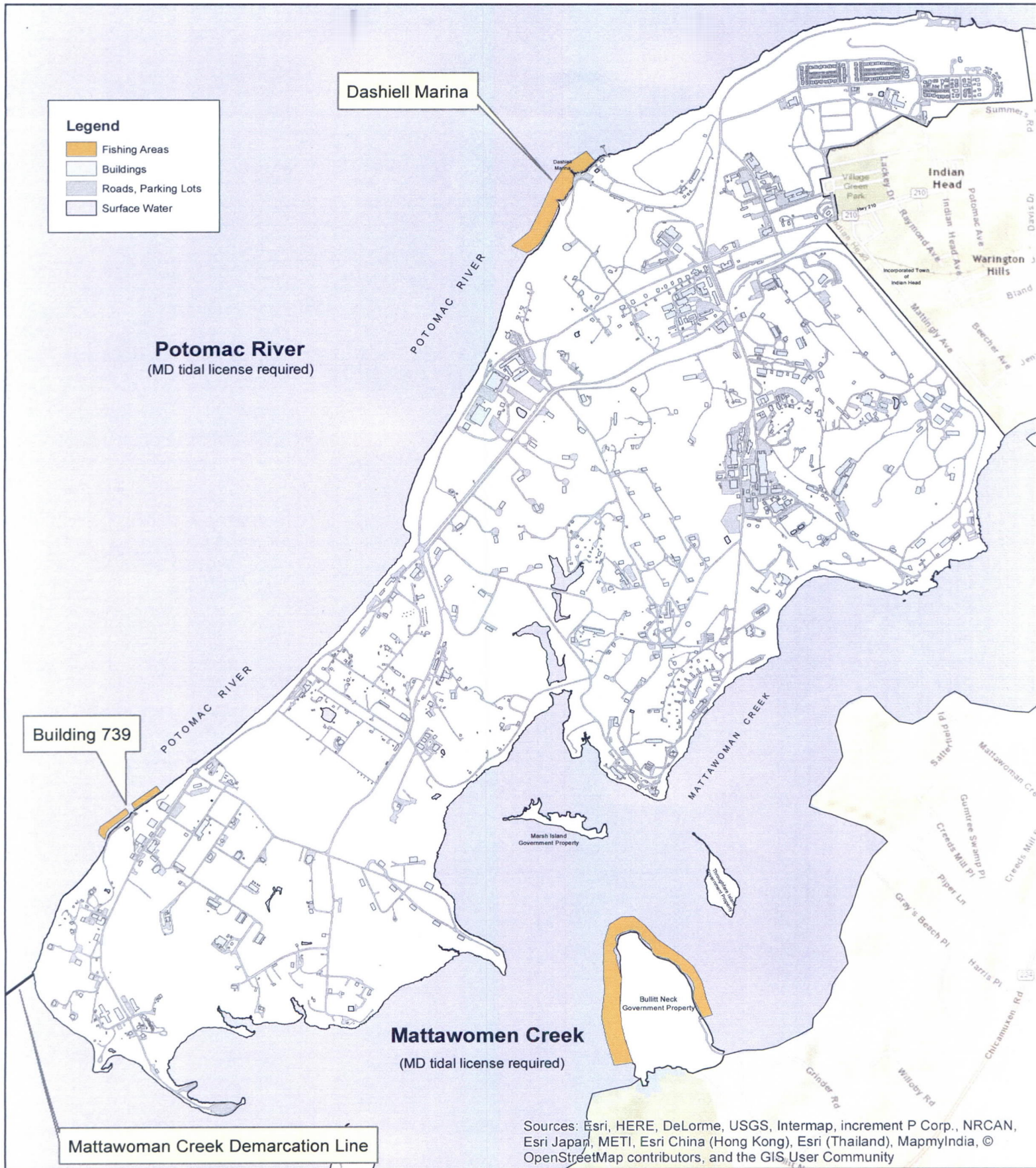


Figure 2

Naval Support Activity South Potomac

NSFIH Mainside
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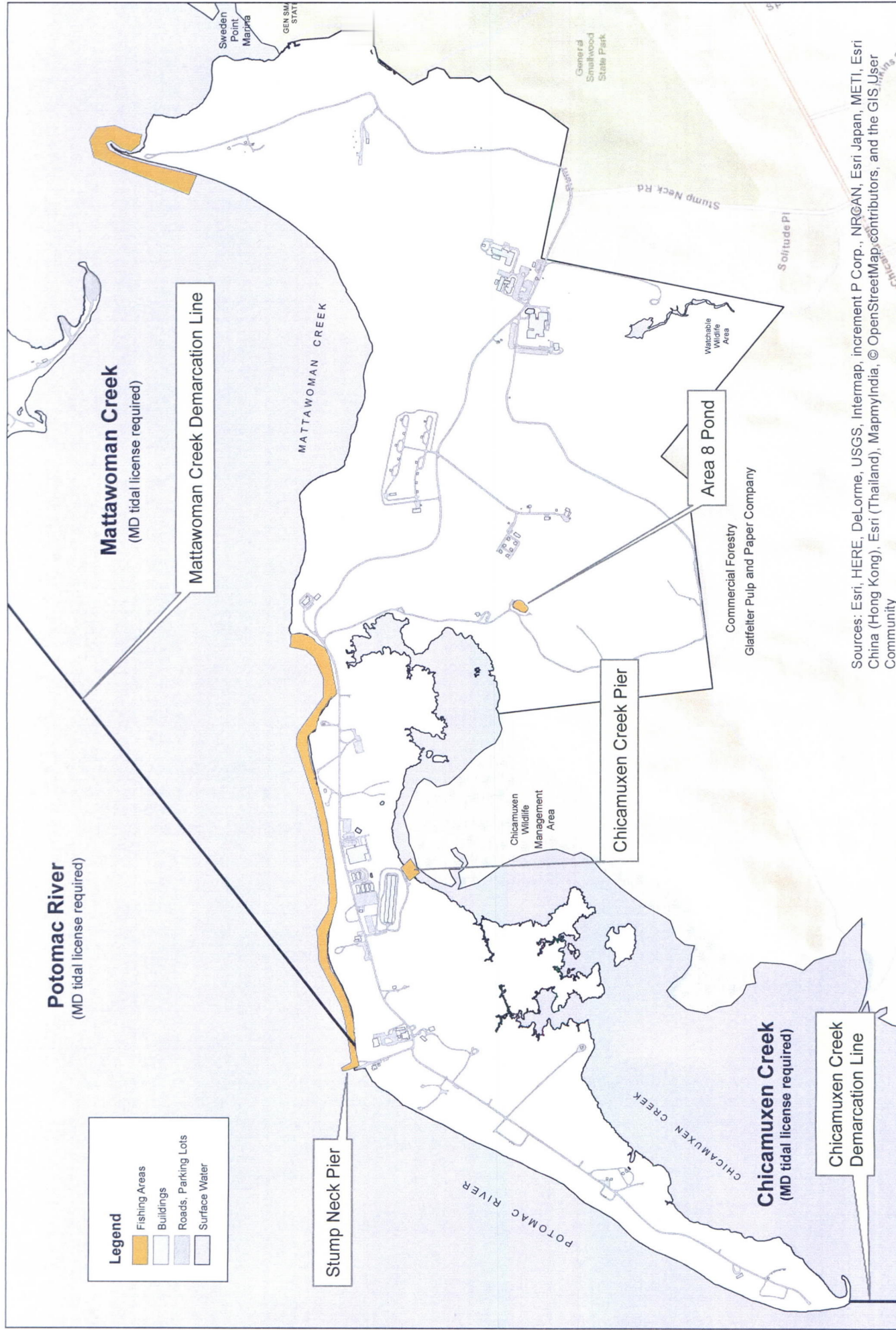


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1 inch = 1.833 feet



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Naval Support Activity South Potomac NSFIH Stump Neck Annex

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Figure 3