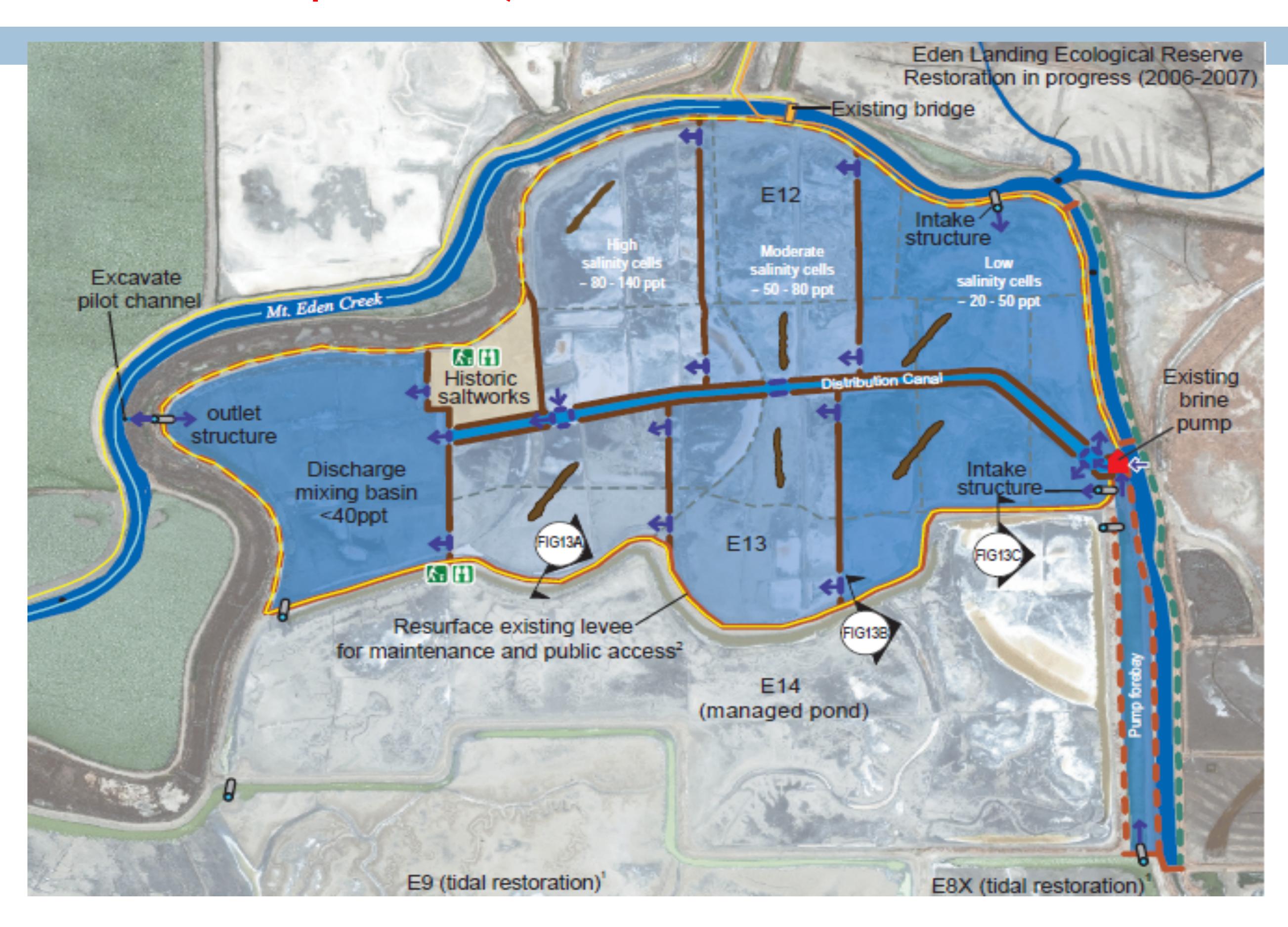
RECONFIGURED PONDS E12-E13 APPLIED SCIENCE LESSONS LEARNED: ISLANDS & FORAGING/ROOSTING MOUNDS

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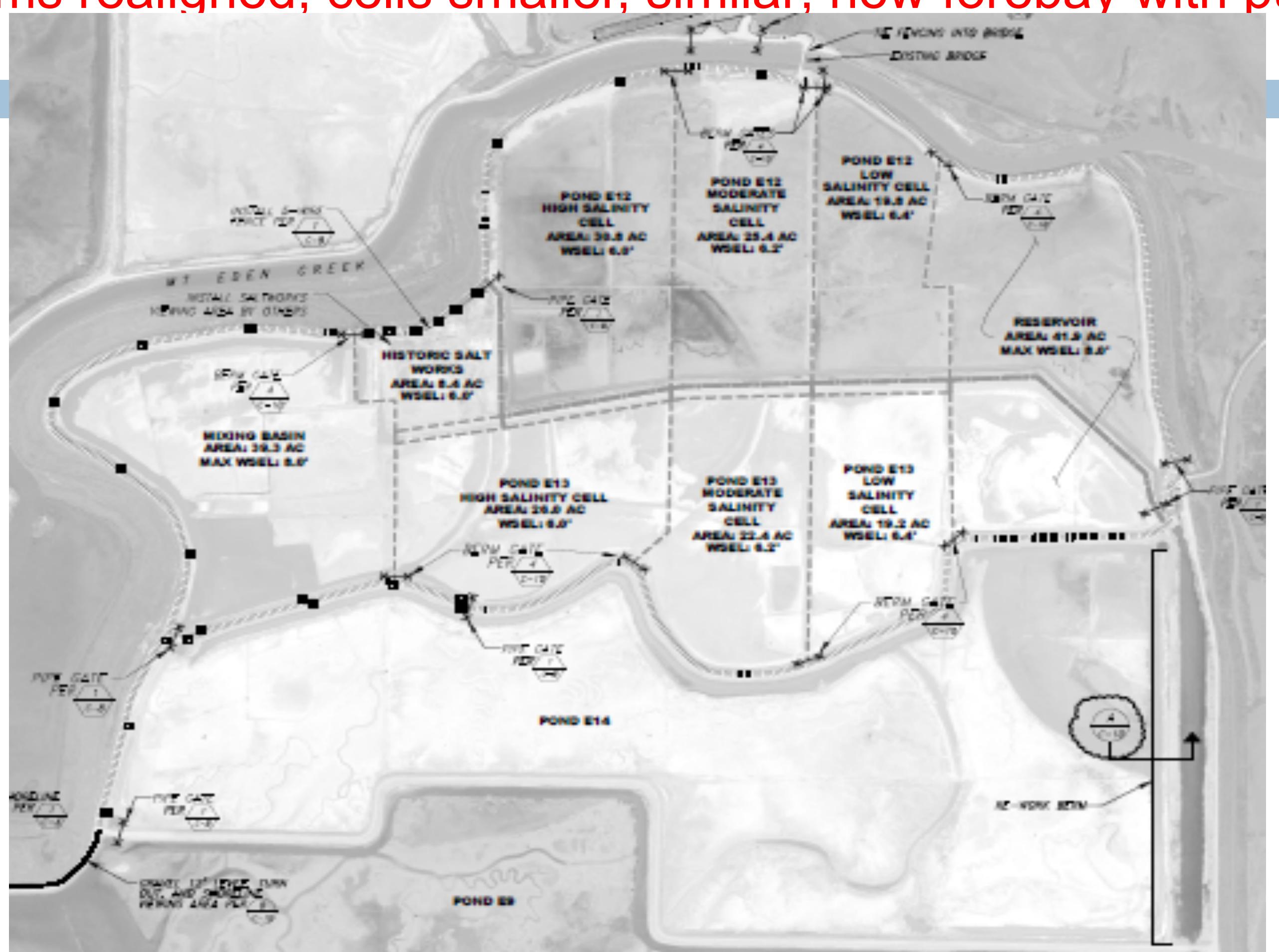
Before as Seasonal Ponds, dry in summer



2008 Design (EIR/S) (no reservoir, old pump, cells larger, island locations not optimized)



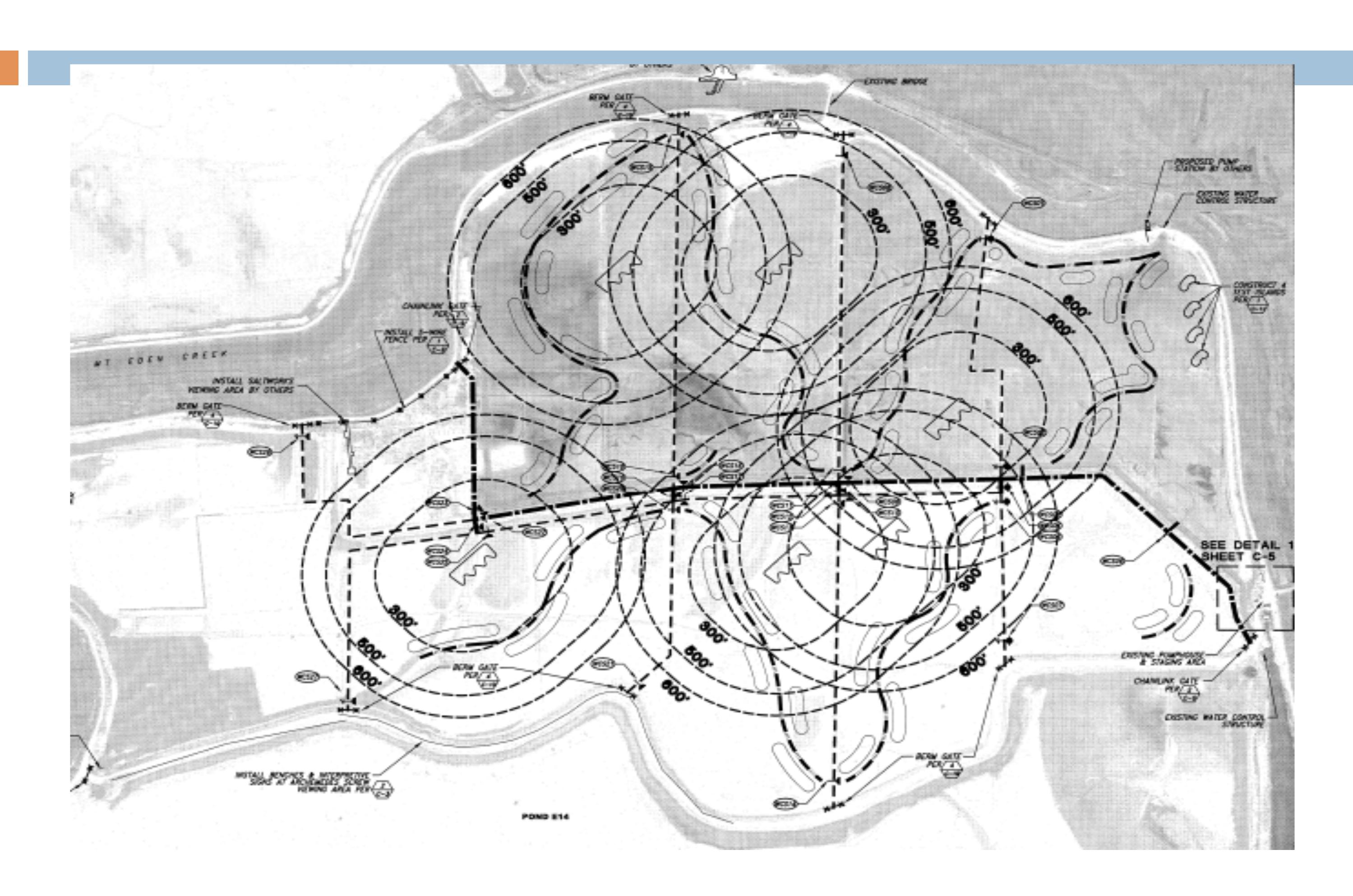
Berms realigned, cells smaller, similar; new forebay with pump



SNPL nest buffer size- island location optimized re: disturbance



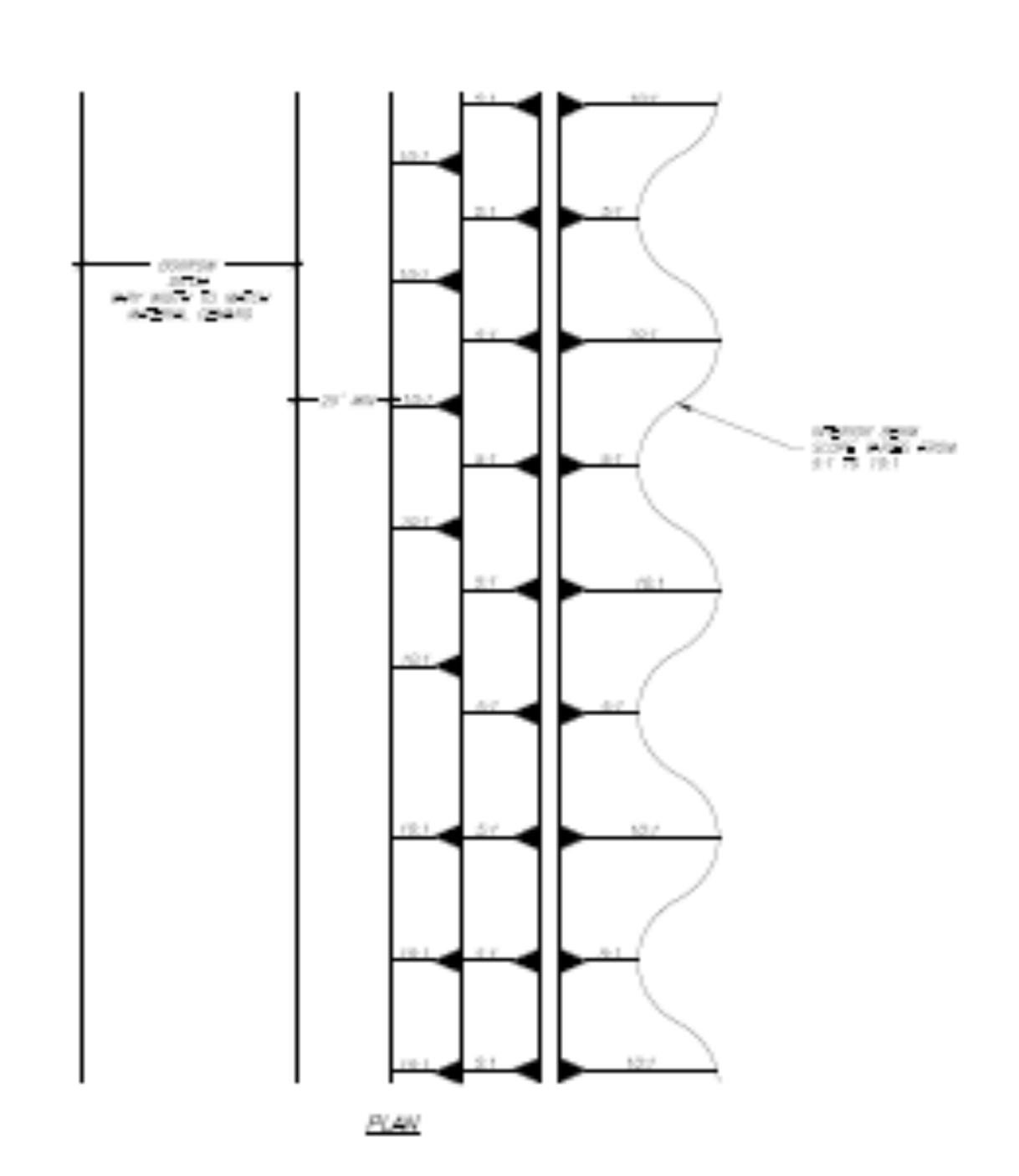
Islands located based on trail buffer max (600 feet)



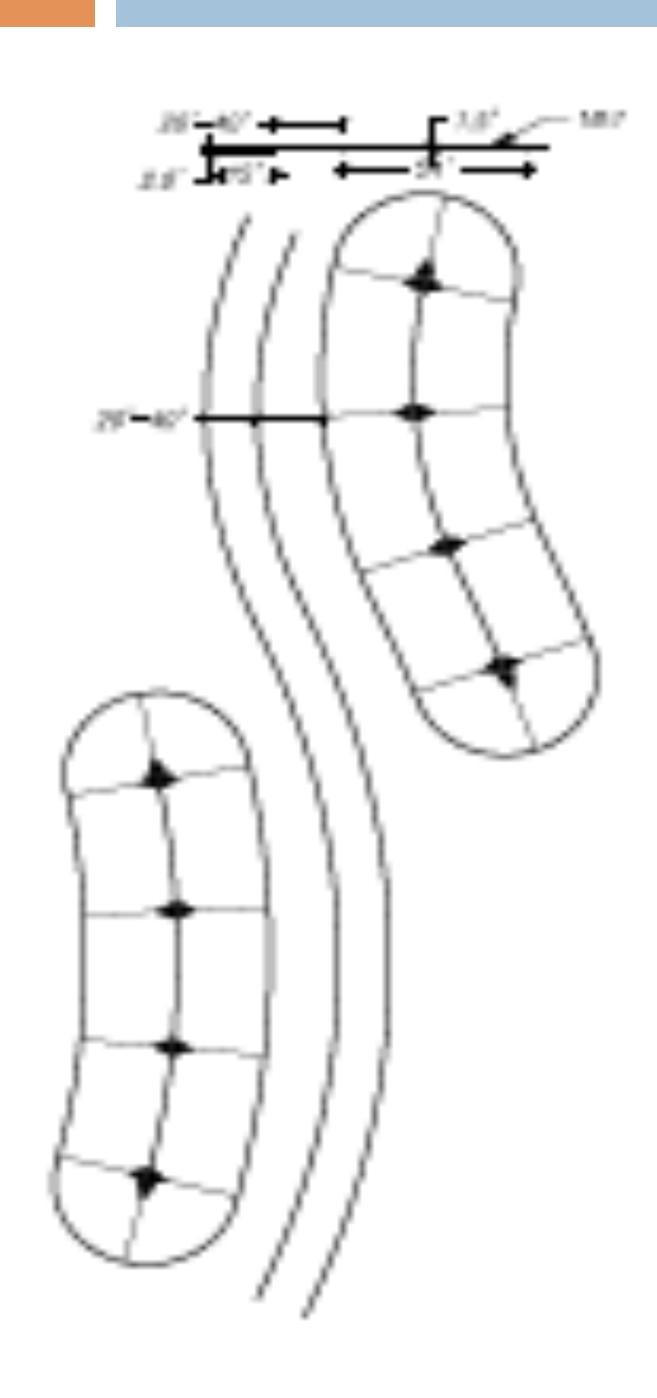
Constructed berms with finished grade varied slopes (5:1 to 10:1) for enhanced foraging/roosting

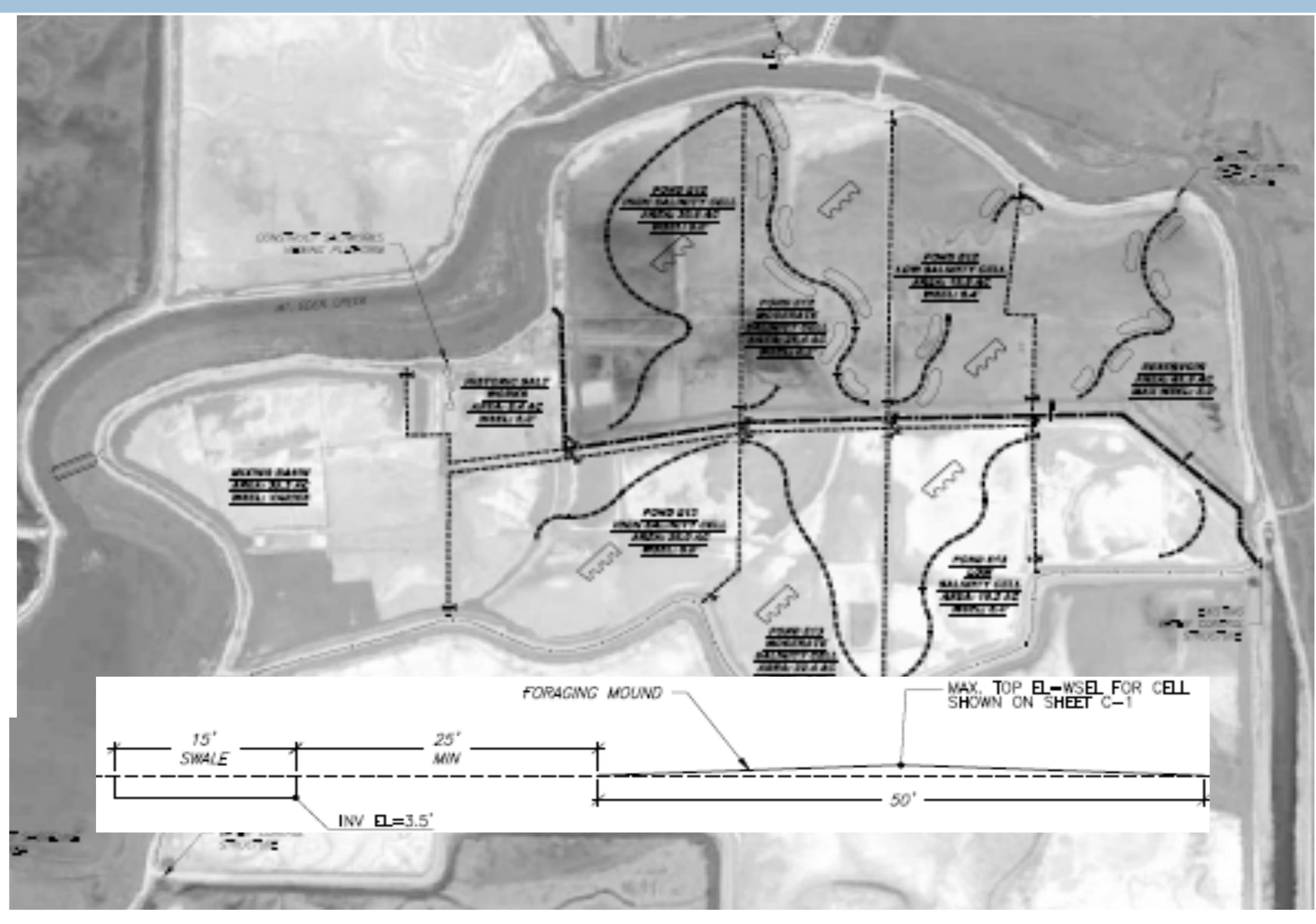






Excavated channels and mounds (~ 12 " high, 25:1 side slopes) for topographic variation





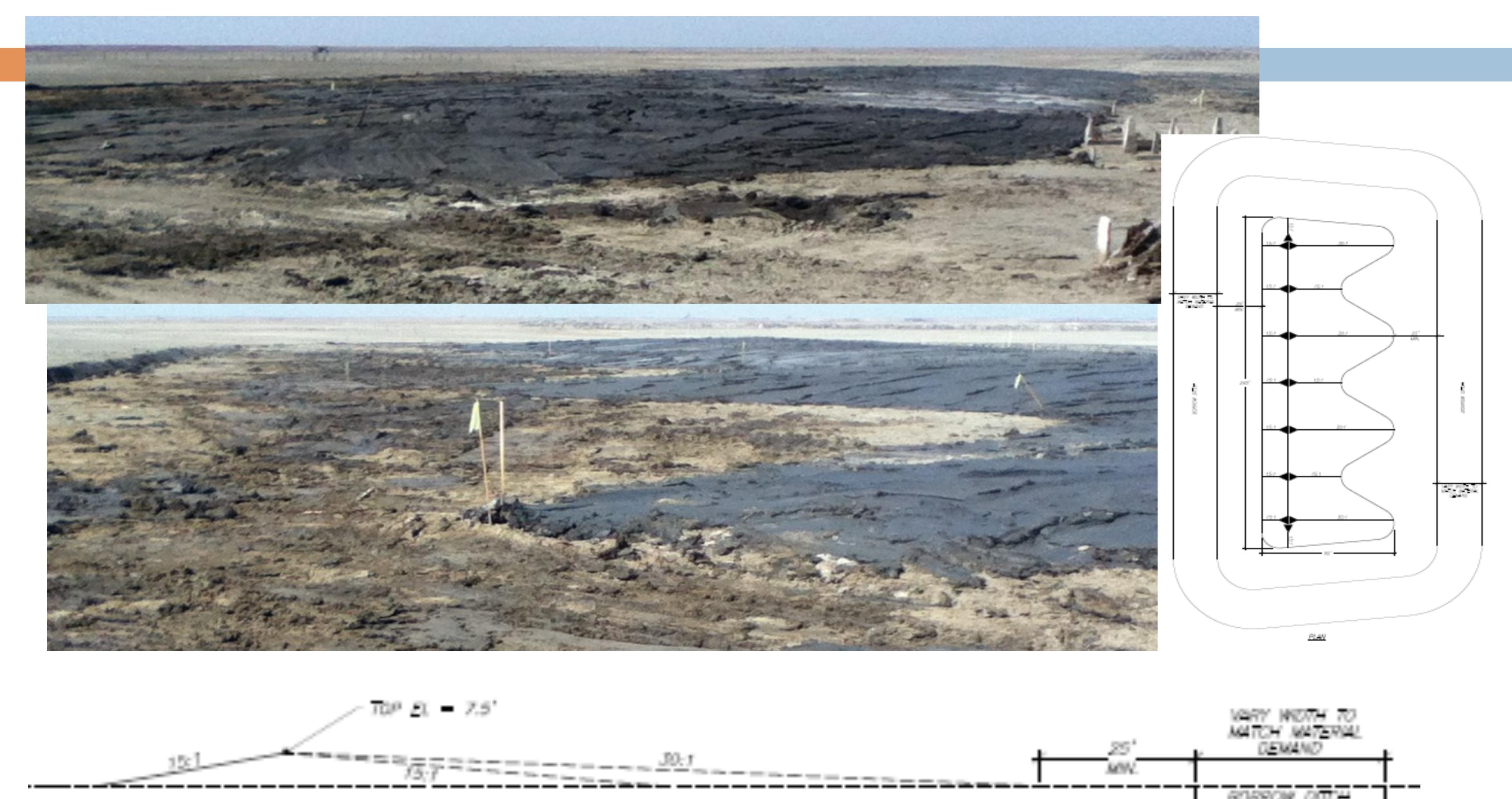
5 Test Islands, varied surface treatments, incl. lime, gravel, oyster shells lower top elevation, to address cracking



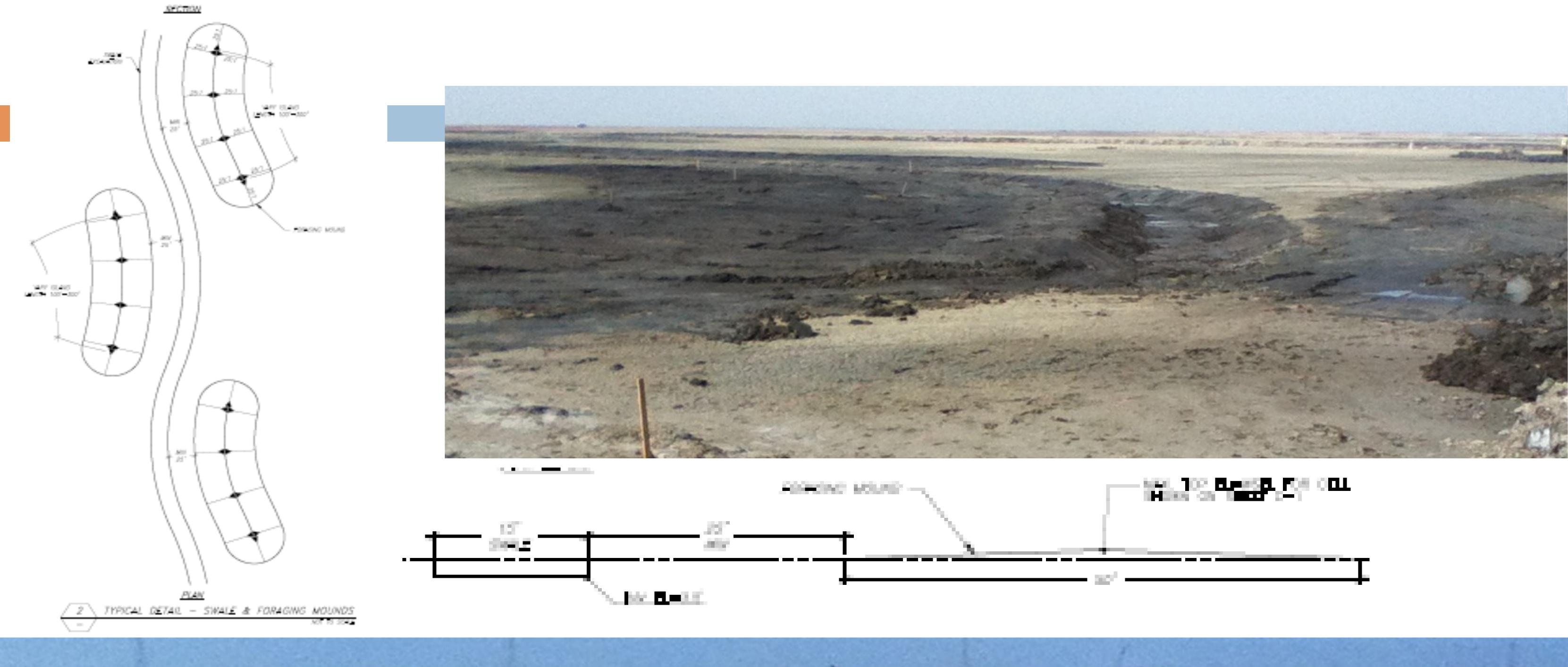
Test Islands: gravel, oyster shell, Lime treated simple excavated earth, imported earth fill



Islands Constructed



Swales & Mounds: excavated earth





E12-E13: Flooded Up, Operated 2014-15; Reached targets



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