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*Department of Transportation  
and Public Facilities*

# POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: CSSB 151

APPROVED: *[Signature]*

TITLE: Handicapped Access on Ferries

DATE: March 22, 1991

CSSB 151 appropriates \$100,000 for design and engineering of modifications to the motor vessels LeConte and Aurora in order to improve access on those vessels for handicapped, aged and infirm passengers. The existing devices on board the vessels which are used to assist wheel chair-bound passengers do not aid those passengers who have difficulty negotiating stairs, but do not require the use of a wheel chair. Moreover, the devices require the assistance of crew members and impose upon the dignity of the users. The funds appropriated by this legislation will be used to determine the most optimal design for an elevator or other device which will serve the needs of all passengers who are physically challenged, while insuring the vessels continue to meet their existing service demands.

*For Further Information contact Katy McHugh at 465-3900.*



*Grand Camp*  
*Alaska Native Brotherhood*

*Patrick Ower*  
*780-6030*

RESOLUTION NO. 08

TITLE: ELEVATORS FOR FERRIES SERVING THE CANOE COMMUNITIES

Whereas, The State of Alaska did not hear our voice in convention in Klawock or again in Hoonah for the need of elevators for our Elders on the ferry system, and

Whereas, our voice needs to be heard now for the needs that we express, and

Whereas, we need for them to picture their mothers, their fathers, their grandmothers and grandfathers climbing and climbing those seemingly endless stairs up to the top deck of the Alaska ferry, for them to experience the frustrations that we have on behalf of our Elders.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alaska Native Brotherhood and the Alaska Native Sisterhood meeting in convention in Kake, Alaska during the week of October 14 - 20, 1990 we, once again, urge and remind the State of Alaska of the State law for accessibility for the handicapped to the public areas, and which includes our Elderly in this law, and, for the message to our State legislature to be heard in "GETTING ELEVATORS IN OUR FERRY SYSTEM FOR THE CANOE COMMUNITIES" as soon as possible, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the State Dept. of Transportation Marine Highway System, the State legislature and the Governor of Alaska.

ATTEST: I certify that this resolution was adopted by the ANB/ANS Grand Council in convention in Kake, Alaska during the week of Oct. 14 - 20.

*Albert Kookesh*

Albert Kookesh  
Grand President

*Andrew Ebona*

Andrew Ebona  
Grand Secretary

# MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska  
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

TO: Files

DATE: December 2, 1986

FILE NO: LCG&FM

TELEPHONE NO: 465-2734

FROM: Larry Woolford <sup>W</sup>  
Project Manager  
Marine Facilities Engineering  
Alaska Marine Highway System

SUBJECT: Project #304033  
F-9500(13), M/V  
LeCONTE Galley  
and Finishing Mod.

On November 28, 1986, AMHS headquarters personnel (\*) met and reviewed the concept design and recommendations prepared by the Glostin Associates for the subject project. Pertinent comments attached.

AMHS personnel agreed and accepted the Glostin Associates recommended "enclosed hoistway" concept and elevator installation site #2 (approximate frames 33 to 36, starboard side forward of the machinery casing) as the optimum design.

AMHS personnel will perform vehicle maneuvering tests with a dummy hoistway obstruction in place to determine actual loading methods and capabilities with respect to 31', 40' and 45' vans.

The galley modifications are accepted as noted on the attached.

The central refrigeration system has been re-prioritized as "Alternate A" as this work lends itself to the modifications being addressed in the galley.

Subsequent discussion and agreement with Tom Shanley, Port Steward, eliminated the dining room seating revision as an alternate bid item. The same effect is accomplished under the bar relocation alternate.

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## Attachment

cc: Joe D. Camp, Deputy Commissioner, AMHS  
A. H. McDonald, Port Engineer, Marine Operations, AMHS  
J. McGrath, Sr. Const. Manager, Marine Facilities, AMHS  
Kelly Mitchell, Port Captain, Marine Operations, AMHS  
Harold Moeser, Director, Marine Facilities, AMHS  
Tomas Shanley, Port Steward, Marine Operations, AMHS  
Max Zbinden, Port Engineer, Marine Operations, AMHS

(\*) Camp, Shanley, Mitchell, Diry & Woolford

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# MEMORANDUM

*John*

**State of Alaska**  
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

TO: Harold Moser  
Director  
Marine Facilities Engineering  
Alaska Marine Highway System

FROM: Larry Woolford *LW*  
Project Manager  
Marine Facilities Engineering  
Alaska Marine Highway System

DATE: January 30, 1987

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO: 465-2734

SUBJECT: M/V LeCONTE Galley & Finishings Modifications

During the period 1/9/87 through 1/23/87, a hoistway obstruction was placed on the main (car) deck in way of the proposed elevator site (#2 - Glosten Concept, dated 11/20/86).

It was anticipated that placement of this "dummy" hoistway would generate adequate information to determine the actual impact of the installation on the M/V LeCONTE's ability to transport vehicles greater than twenty-eight feet (28') in length, as referenced in the above report.

I have attached Captain D. Johnson's observations during this period. In addition, my own follow.

I visited the vessel on each arrival in Auke Bay (1/9, 1/11, 1/16, 1/18 and 1/23) specifically to witness loading operations. In each instance, several attempts were required to situate vehicles (31' to 40' excluding the tractor unit). It must be pointed out that the main deck in all cases was devoid of other vehicles, which afforded ample room to maneuver these units. However, this luxury normally would be precluded during peak traffic months by through traffic.

Discussions with the Chief Mate indicate that occasions arise that require using the turntable to load "booked" traffic in excess of twenty-eight feet (28'). The turntable will not function unless the applied weight is evenly distributed which causes a one to two foot (1' to 2') overhang of the vehicle being loaded with the turntable (turntable diameter is 32'). The elevator hoistway location is within eight inches (8") of the turntable perimeter. It appears that the turntable, depending on traffic, will be unusable.

The installed hoistway will eliminate the turning radius currently available and required to clear the transfer bridge when loading standard size vehicles in the "tunnel". The "tunnel" is presently loaded aft to forward by backing vehicles in. The hoistway location also reduces the effective "tunnel" width from eight to six feet (8' to 6') at the forward end. A standard vehicle is approximately six feet (6') in width excluding any

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appurtenances (mirrors, etc.). The "tunnel" will be restricted to compacts and sub-compacts only unless through traffic is off-loaded to gain access to and from the after end for standard size vehicles. A portable ramp will be necessary to negotiate the height obstacle of the transfer bridge at the forward end of the "tunnel".

While it appears that the vessel can accommodate units larger than twenty-eight feet (28') in length, the actual capability cannot be documented under the conditions encountered. Furthermore, accessibility to and from the "tunnel" will be severely reduced.

I would suggest that this portion of the subject project be deferred until such time as the elevator installation can be accommodated in such a way as to not interfere with the vessel's present capabilities.

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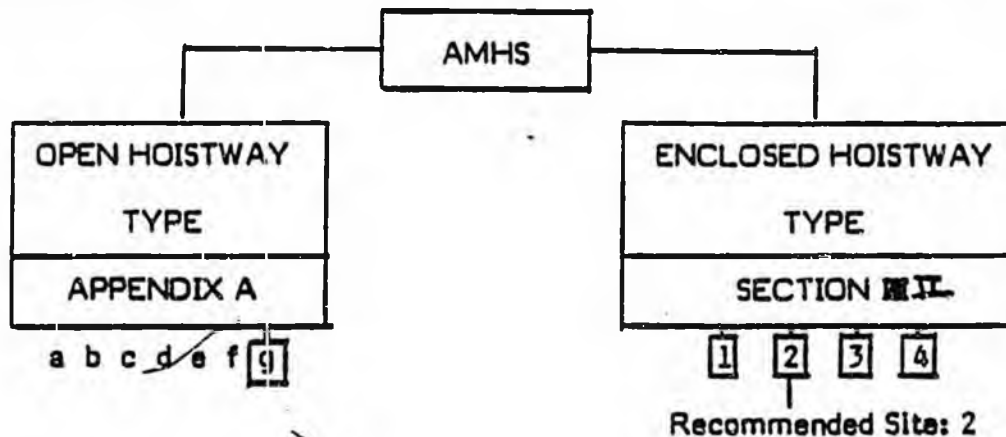
cc: Hugh McDonald - Port Engineer, Marine Operations, AMHS, Pier  
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John McGrath - Sr. Const. Mgr., Marine Facilities, AMHS  
Kelly Mitchell - Port Captain, Marine Operations, AMHS

## SECTION II

### ELEVATOR INSTALLATION

An elevator type and its installation site are to be determined for the LeCONTE. The elevator is to provide access for handicapped passengers between the main and passenger decks. It is generally accepted that there is no optimum site for the elevator and this installation will disrupt the vessel's current arrangement and/or loading/unloading operations. The goal then is to identify the viable options with their associated disruptions, and select a site, after formulating a plan to adapt operations to the re-configured vessel. This report section discusses the two general types of elevators, open and enclosed hoistway elevators; discusses elevator machinery; and ranks four sites for the recommended closed hoistway type elevator. The four sites are then further developed into conceptual plans, specifications, and cost estimates, and a recommendation is presented. Appendix A contains Alaska Marine Highway System's (AMHS) preliminary engineering work on open hoistway type installation sites and equipment, with a short commentary.

AMHS should make two decisions at this time. First the type of elevator is to be chosen: open or enclosed hoistway. Secondly the site is to be selected. The sites are dependent on the elevator type. Certain sites are appropriate to one type and not necessary applicable to the other, hence the type needs to be selected first. This decision process is illustrated below:



## 1. Open Versus Enclosed Hoistways

The hoistway is the vertical rectangular space that the elevator travels in. Open hoistway elevators as defined in this report do not enclose this space, enclosed hoistways of course do enclose the space, either with steel bulkheads or wire mesh. The open hoistway type elevator is appealing to this application because in the raised position, the main deck is free from obstruction. This type however cannot be recommended due to many important drawbacks discussed below.

The primary drawback to the open type elevator is safety. If the elevator stops midway and fire breaks out on the suto deck, people in the elevator have no fire protection. There is also the need for protection to the operating mechanisms, hoist equipment, and electrical travelling cables. Vertical gear racks attached to casing bulkheads, or an extended hydraulic cylinder, could be subject to damage from vehicular traffic. At least one crew is needed to operate the open hoistway type elevators. At the main deck he must insure that the landing area is free from obstruction, and he controls the operation from that station, using a key controlled interlock that must be held against a spring lockout to allow the elevator to be lowered. Release of this key would stop the elevator. Acceptance of the open hoistway type elevator by the U. S. Coast Guard is highly doubtful. Verbal discussions were held with the U. S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Center in Washington, D.C., and they were not favorable. A written request for confirmation has been sent, and at the time of this report, their response has not been received. This request is included in Appendix A. It discussed their primary concerns: fire and smoke passing between decks. Design features necessary to satisfy their concerns for public safety and fire control may negate any potential cost savings. Certification of elevators is not an ABS classification requirement, however we recommend that the elevator machinery and installation drawings be approved by ABS. ABS publishes a "Guide for Construction of Shipboard Elevators", and does not approve open hoistway type elevators.

The most significant problem with the open hoistway type is finding a vendor to assume the risk and supply this type of elevator. The appendix includes details of research conducted by Mr. George Diry, of AMHS, in which he first discovered this problem. In following up with his only positive responding vendor, Unidynamics/Midwest, they confirmed they would only supply an open hoistway elevator if waivers could be obtained from applicable agencies, in this case, the U. S. Coast Guard. Elevator vendors typically build elevators to the ANSI code (ANSI A17.1. '984; "American National Standard Safety Code for Elevators, Dumbwaiters, Escalators, and Moving Walks"), which although does not necessarily apply to shipboard elevators, does apply in public buildings. This code specifically requires elevator pits and enclosed hoistways.

Furthermore, ANSI A17.1-1980, the handicapped specifications, do not endorse an open hoistway type elevator. They specifically require the elevator to meet the ANSI elevator code.

In conclusion, open hoistway elevators are not appropriate for public use on board ship. While they have certain first cost savings over an enclosed hoistway elevator, they are not significant and the crew cost necessary to operate the elevator will soon negate the first cost advantage. We suggest that the disruption to the main deck be accepted and dealt with, and an enclosed hoistway shipboard elevator be installed.

## 2. Elevator Equipment

There are three types of enclosed hoistway elevators. The traction type utilizes a

traction winch at the top of the hoistway and a counterweight. While this type has been installed in ships, restraining the counterweight presents problems and adds to the expense of the system. High level speeds, up to 200 fpm, are attainable with this system.

The winding drum type utilizes a drum winch at the top of the hoistway, driven by an electric or hydraulic motor. The winding drum machines become quite complex and expensive with overtravel limits and brake requirements. ABS does not approve their use for transport of passengers, or for rated loads in excess of 1200 pounds. They also limit them to a maximum of 100 fpm and travel of 75 feet. This type should not be considered for passengers.

✓ The hydraulic cylinder type elevator is the most economical and compact type, and the best selection for shipboard use. It does, however, have design limitations that may not be satisfied by the installation site requirements. Travel distance is generally limited to 20 feet, and speed is limited to about 100 fpm. Travel distances exceeding 20 feet can require a telescoping cylinder, which adds to expense. Also, because of the vertical orientation of the cylinder, the height of the hoistway from the bottom of the pit to the top of the enclosure needs to be slightly more than twice the travel distance. These limitations can be worked with on the LeCONTE. The hydraulic cylinder distance is about 17 feet, the 100 fpm speed would result in a 10 second ride from deck to deck, and in most of the proposed locations, the hoistway height requirement can be met. The hydraulic cylinder type is recommended for the LeCONTE, subject to confirmation of its application in preliminary design work.

Inquiries were made of two shipboard elevator vendors, as to price and their recommended type. Both recommended single plunger hydraulic type elevators. When asked about installation in a limited height hoistway, they noted additional costs would be involved. Copies of their proposals are provided in the Appendix.

### 3. Elevator Sites: Description and Ranking

Four sites for the enclosed hoistway elevator are presented. A ranking matrix, is developed where the various options are scored using a weighted evaluation method. AMHS should review the weighting and ratings, and develop their own scores for comparison.

The four sites presented were selected after a complete review of the vessel's arrangement and structural system. They are the only sites found that satisfy the basic objectives of the installation while minimizing interferences with the ship's operation. These basic objectives are the highest weighted in the ranking matrix:

- o Usability to handicapped passengers.
- o Minimal disruption to main deck operations and arrangement.
- o Minimal disruption to the vessel's arrangement and flow.

Three sites are forward, since 70% to 90% of the passengers board through the forward doors. A site through the crew's quarters on the starboard side amidships is not possible without eliminating some valuable crew space, blocking the starboard most car lane, or blocking the essential fore/aft passage accessing all the crew spaces. The aft starboard corner of the vessel was ruled out as it would eliminate the aft stairway which is essential as a second access to the crew's quarters, and it would block the steering gear access.

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Rear Load*

The four site selections are listed below, and further defined with plans, specifications, and cost estimates later in this section.

- o Site 1: Forward End Observation Lounge
- o Site 2: Forward End of Machinery Casing
- o Site 3: Port side location
- ✓ Site 4: Aft port corner

4. Elevator Site 1: Forward End of Observation Lounge

This site has the following pros, cons, and basic elements:

800,000 car  
400,000 space

- o Estimated cost: \$212,000
- o Major disruptions: Arrangement. Forward lounge area would be severely re-arranged.
- o One front window in forward observation lounge is blocked.
- o About 6 seats in the forward lounge are lost.
- o The forward lounge is disrupted by dividing it into two halves with a recessed walkway.
- o One car space on main deck (forward between two stanchions) is lost.
- o The hoistway at main deck will interfere with the 2 foot overhang of trailers on the turntable.
- ✓ While underway, wheelchairs can access forward observation lounge, but probably would not be desirable as they would be too low to see out of the windows.
- o Visibility from wheelhouse to fore deck is reduced.
- ✓ Site is very accessible at main deck.
- ✓ The site would have a detrimental effect on the outward appearance of the vessel.
- o Main deck structure will need modification as important longitudinal beams will be interrupted.

a. Site 1: Outline Specifications: List of Work

1. Structural

A steel hoistway with external dimensions of 75" x 75" is built down into the void aft of the bow thruster compartment, and up above the upper deck in front of the house. A recessed walkway is built into the observation lounge at the level of the foyer, and steps and handrails rearranged. Steps are added as shown on Drawing 8677-A, Sheet 1.

## 2. Mechanical

The ventilation duct located approximately 9 ft. port of centerline will need to be rerouted further outboard to clear the elevator trunk. A bilge suction from the elevator pit shall be added to the bilge system.

## 3. Electrical

The power cable running to the forward container refrigeration plug on the starboard side shall be recoiled back to the wire tray at Frame 13 and rerouted around the forward side of Frame 13, to clear the elevator trunk.

Two power cables, 1 440 VAC 3 phase and 1 120 VAC 1 phase, shall be run from the nearest available distribution panels to the electrical panels for the elevator.

### b. Unresolved Questions, Site 1

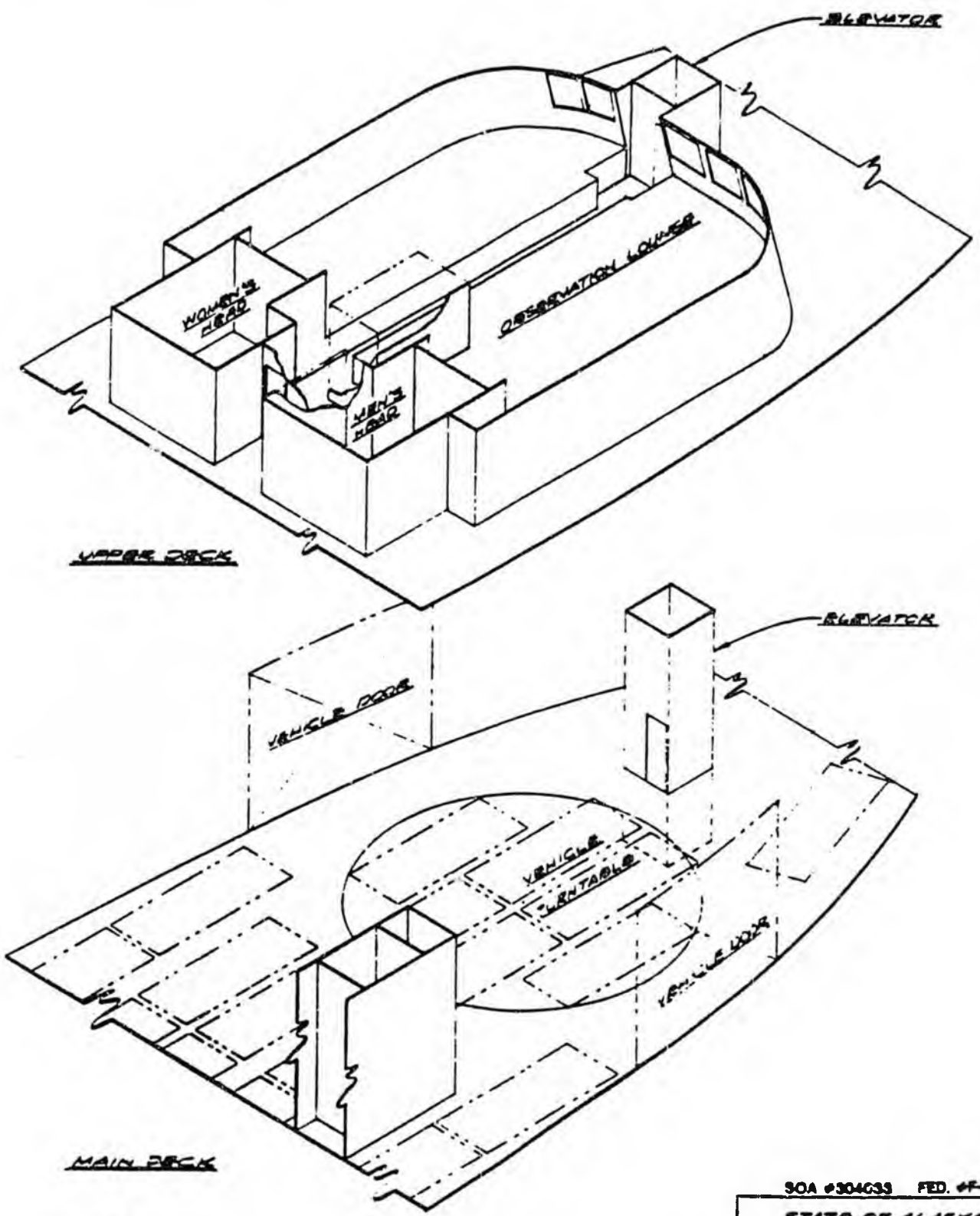
The forward end of the recessed walkway should be better defined. If wheelchair turnaround is necessary, then the width of the notch should be confirmed. If possible, the notch should be eliminated.

# COST ESTIMATE : ELEVATOR SITE NO:1

THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, inc.  
 Naval Architects · Marine Engineers · Ocean Engineers

BY DL	JOB NO 8677
DATE 11-17-86	SHEET 1 OF 1

ITEM	SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT WEIGHT	UNIT LABOR	UNIT MAT'L.	TOTAL WEIGHT	TOTAL LABOR	TOTAL MATERIAL	REMARKS
		ELEVATOR INSTALLATION								
		OPTION 3								
		REMOVE INTERFERENCES	104 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 3640	\$ 200	
		EXCESS UPPER DECK FOR WALKWAY	518 HR		\$ 35/HR			18130	5500	
		FABRICATE & INSTALL ELEVATOR TRUNK	850 HR		\$ 35/HR			29750	6000	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR HOOR-UP & TEST	720 HR		\$ 35/HR			25200	1000	
		FABRICATE & INSTALL FAIRING-UPPER DEK	120 HR		\$ 35/HR			4200	800	
		PREPARE & PAINT SURFACES	112 HR		\$ 35/HR			3920	2000	
		REINSTALL INTERFERENCES	76 HR		\$ 35/HR			2660	-	
		SUB-TOTALS	2500 HR					\$ 87500	\$ 15500	
		ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES							90000	
		10% CONTINGENCY						8750	10550	
		TOTAL						96250	116050	= \$ 212,300



SITE #1

SOA #304633 FED. #F-8500(13)

STATE OF ALASKA AMHS

M/V LACONTE MODIFICATIONS

ELEVATOR ASSETS & RECONFIGURE  
SITE 1: EVID. OBSERVATION LOUNGE

THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS SERVING THE MARINE COMMUNITY

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## 5. Elevator Site 2: Forward End Machinery Casing

This site has the following pros, cons, and basic elements:

- o Estimated Cost: \$179,000
- o Major disruption: Operational. Loading/unloading of truck trailers longer than 28 feet may be prohibited through the starboard side door. Deck operations currently include backing large truck trailers in through the starboard side door, and unloading them forward through the same door. This site would disrupt this operation, either changing the loading method by using the turntable, or eliminating the capability to carry these largest trucks. This site would make the starboard door loading limitations identical to the port door loading limitations.
- o About six seats in the forward observation lounge are lost, but two are added next to the elevator.
- o There is excellent access at the main deck.
- o The hoistway at the main deck will interfere with the 2 foot overhang of trailers on the turntable.
- o *Use By Jones* Loading of long trailers (45') through the starboard door, which formerly could be loaded at Haines, Skagway, Juneau, Sitka, Petersburg, Hollis, Ketchikan, and Auke Bay, will probably not be possible.
- o The pit location is good, however a manhole must be relocated.

### a. Site 2: Outline Specifications: List of Work

#### 1. Structural

A hoistway with 75" x 75" external dimensions is built down into the void space between Frames 33 and 36. A full 8 feet is used as the pit, allowing ample room for elevator machinery. Part of the bulkhead at the aft end of the observation lounge is removed, the floor is lowered, and the steps relocated forward, as shown on Drawing No. 8677-A, Sheet 2.

#### 2. Mechanical

The ventilation supply terminal between Frame 31 and 35 for the upper deck shall be shortened approximately 4 ft. and the supply duct to the terminal rerouted forward of the elevator trunk.

In the main deck overhead, the head exhaust duct and the main deck ventilation ducts shall be rerouted around the elevator trunk and deck modification.

The drain piping from the men's upper deck head and the main drain line shall be rerouted around the elevator trunk and deck modification.

A bilge suction from the elevator pit shall be added to the bilge system.

Two hot water heating lines at Frame 33 in the main deck overhead shall be rerouted aft around the elevator trunk and deck modification.

3. Electrical

Two power cables, one, 440 VAC 3 phase and one 120 VAC 1 phase, shall be run from the nearest available distribution panel to the electrical panels for the elevator.

b. Unresolved Questions, Site 2

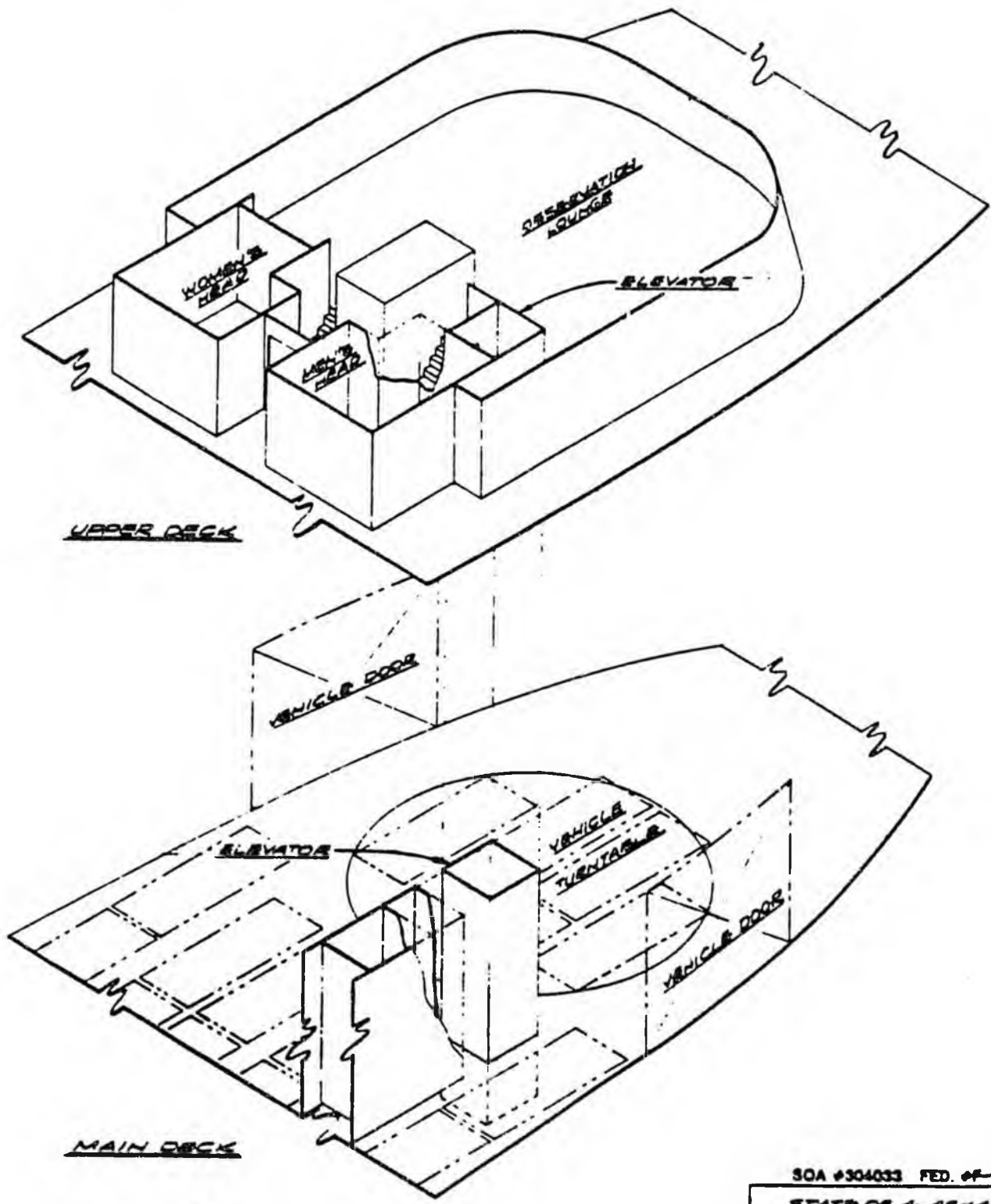
The actual truck loading and unloading method with the proposed elevator in place, should be determined.

**COST ESTIMATE: ELEVATOR SITE NO:2**

**THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, inc.**  
 Naval Architects Marine Engineers Ocean Engineers

BY DL	JOB NO 8677
DATE 11-18-86	SHEET 1 OF 1

ITEM	SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT WEIGHT	UNIT LABOR	UNIT NAT'L.	TOTAL WEIGHT	TOTAL LABOR	TOTAL MATERIAL	REMARKS
		ELEVATOR INSTALLATION								
		OPTION 2								
		REMOVE INTERFERENCES	96 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 3360		
		LOWER UPPER DECK TO FOYER LEVEL	154 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 5390	\$ 800	
		FABRICATE & INSTALL ELEVATOR TRUNK	770 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 26950	\$ 5400	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR, HOOK UP & TEST	720 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 25200	\$ 1000	
		PREPARE & PAINT SURFACES	64 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 2240	\$ 1000	
		REINSTALL INTERFERENCES	32 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 1120	\$ 200	
		SUB-TOTALS	1836 HR					\$ 64260	\$ 8400	
		ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES							\$ 90,000	
		10% CONTINGENCY						\$ 6426	\$ 9840	
		TOTAL						\$ 70,686	\$ 108,240	= \$ 178,926



SITE #2

SOA #304033 FED. #F-8600(13)

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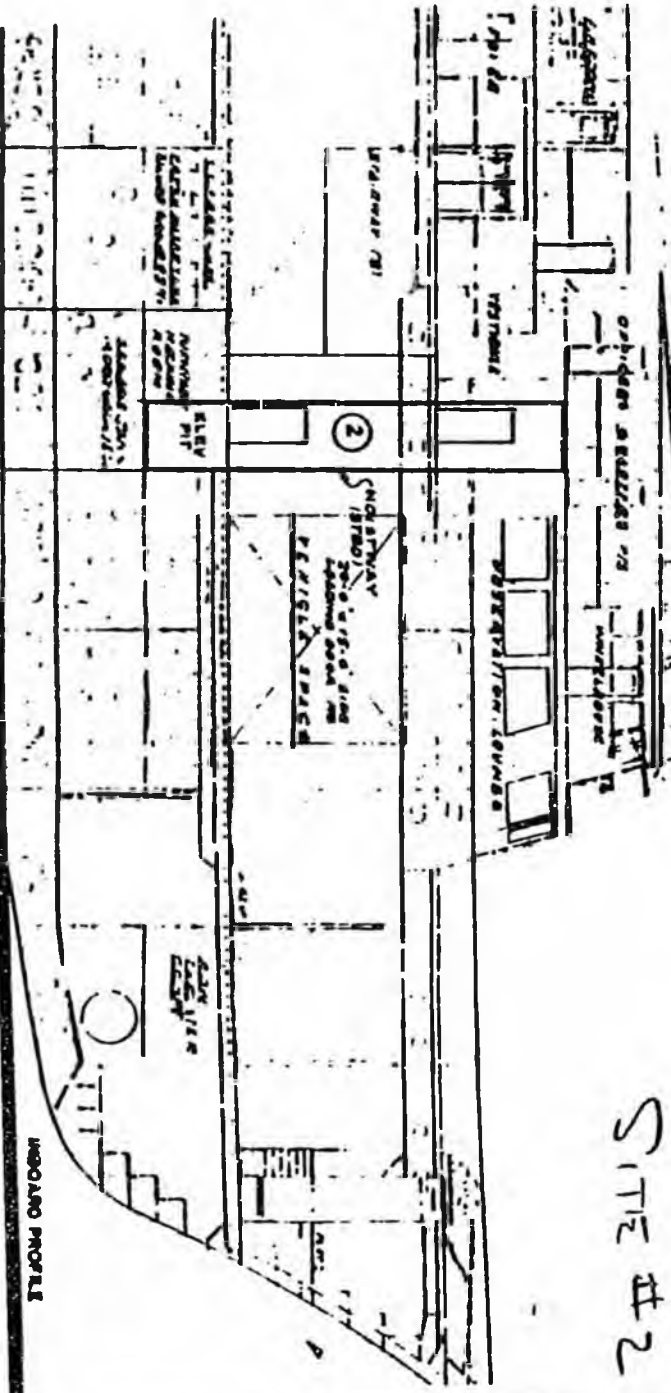
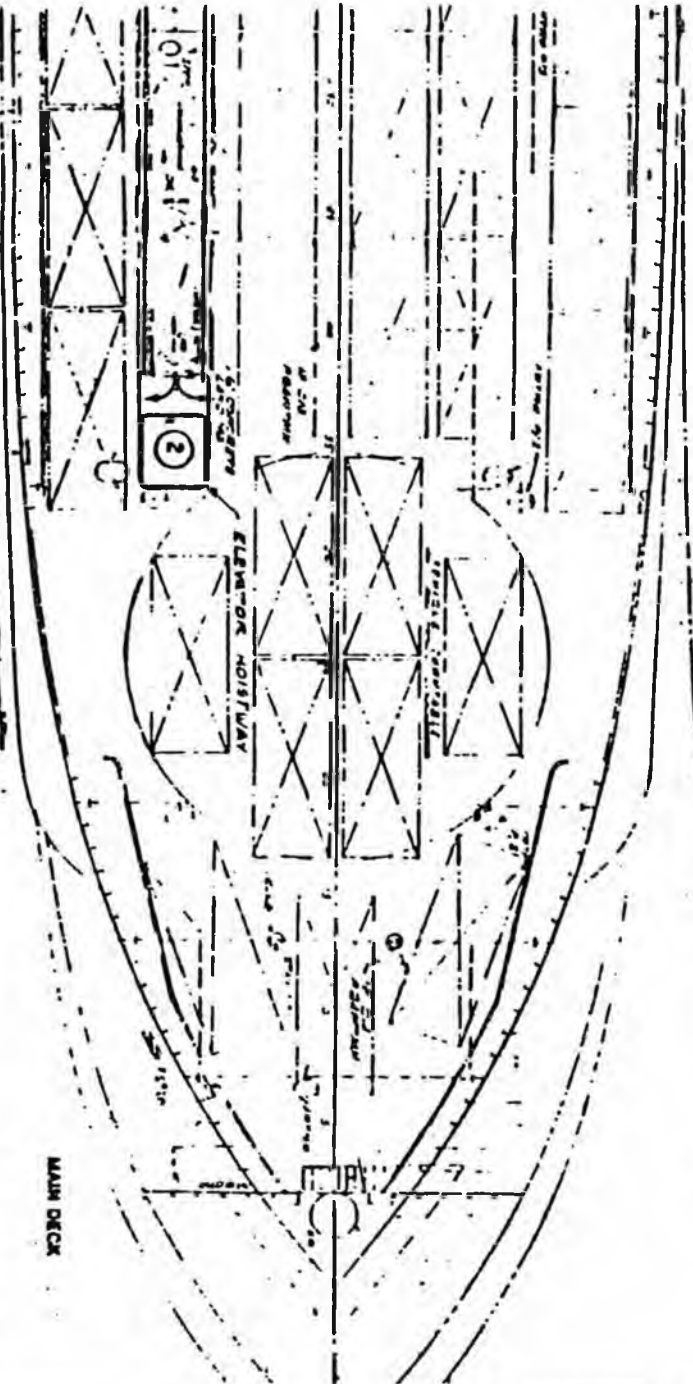
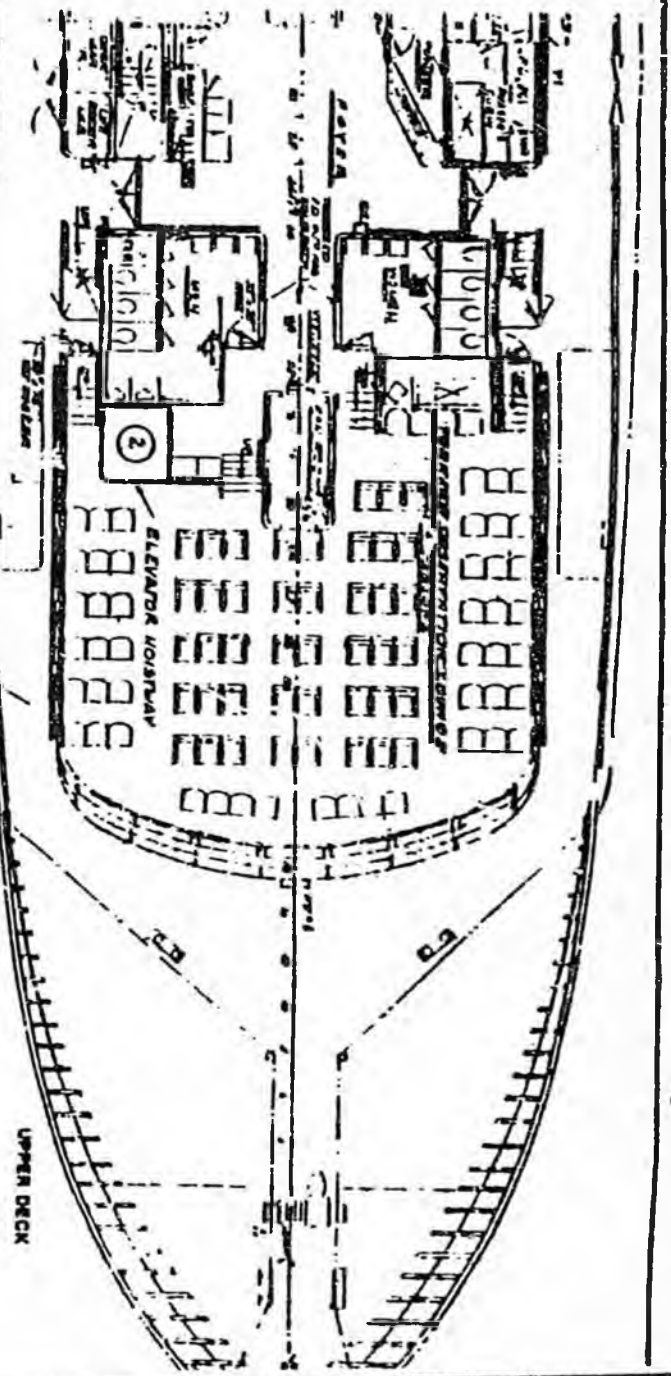
ELEVATOR ARCHIT. & ELECTRICAL  
SITE ELEV. AND ARCH. DRAWING

THE TOSTEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS ARCHITECTS AND MARINE CONTRACTORS

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MEASUREMENT PROFILE

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## 6. Elevator Site 3: Port Side

This site has the following pros, cons, and basic elements:

- o Estimated Cost: \$189,000
- o Major disruption: Operational. Loading/unloading autos due to interruption of car lane.
- o One car space is lost from the main deck, and loading and unloading vehicles will be adversely affected.
- o At upper deck, outside walk around becomes restrictive (36" optimistically)
- o Midships lounge gets reduced in size due to relocation of first aid room.
- o The port side access to the outside from forward observation lounge. Access requirements should be O.K.
- o There is no interference with liferaft deployment.

### a. Site 3: Outline Specification: List of Work

#### 1. Structural

A hoistway with 75" x 75" external dimensions is built on the port side between Frames 35-1/2 and 38-1/2, and the existing first aid room is turned into a passageway to the elevator. The aft port side bulkhead of the observation lounge is moved forward slightly, and the outside access is lost. The first aid room is relocated to the forward end of the midships lounge.

#### 2. Mechanical

All ventilation and piping in way of the elevator location shall be rerouted around the elevator trunk.

Fire station number 10 on the upper deck shall be moved 5 ft. aft to the aft bulkhead of the new First Aid room.

The ventilation supply air terminal in the port lounge, upper deck shall have the forward 4 ft. removed. The supply duct for this terminal shall also be modified to provide ventilation air to the new First Aid Room in addition to the lounge. The door shall be undercut to allow for exhaust.

The two ventilation ducts in the overhead of the First Aid Room shall be modified by adding spool pieces where they pass through the new bulkhead at Frame 56-1/2.

Bilge suction from the elevator pit shall be added to the bilge system.

3. Electrical

All electrical wiring or equipment in way of the elevator location shall be relocated or rerouted around the elevator trunk, as necessary.

The light on the upper deck forward lounge port exit shall be removed.

The old First Aid Room lighting shall be modified as required to suit the new arrangement.

The forward two lights in the port side lounge shall be removed and reinstalled in the new First Aid Room on switches.

The T.V. shall be moved aft 5 ft. and rewired.

Two power cables, 1 440 VAC 3 phase and 1120 VAC 1 phase, shall be run from the nearest available distribution panels to the electrical panels for the elevator.

b. Unresolved Questions, Site 3

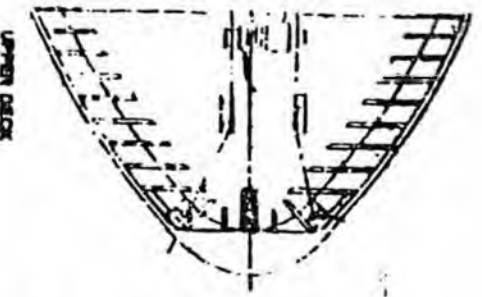
A new access door to the outside may be necessary, aft in the observation lounge on the port side.

**COST ESTIMATE: ELEVATOR SITE NO: 3**

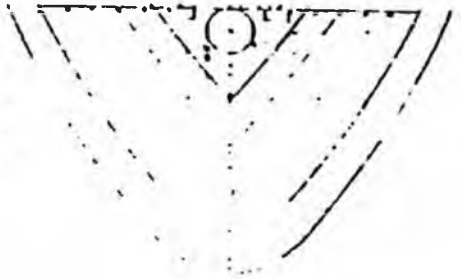
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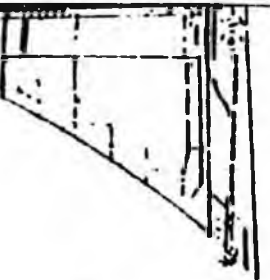
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		ELEVATOR INSTALLATION								
		OPTION 3								
		REMOVE INTERFERENCES	48 HR		\$ 35/HR			\$ 1680		
		RELOCATE FIRST AID ROOM	302 HR					10590	\$ 2000	
		FABRICATE & INSTALL ELEVATOR TRUNK	510 HR					20350	5700	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR, WOOK UP & TEST	720 HR					25200	1000	
		PREPARE & PAINT	17 HR					2240	1000	
		MODIFY ELEVATOR ENTRANCE - UPPER DK	90 HR					3150	500	
		REINSTALL INTERFERENCES	16 HR					560		
		SUB-TOTALS	2050					71,750	10,500	
		ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES							90,000	
		10% CONTINGENCY						7175	10,000	
		TOTAL						78,925	110,220	= \$ 189,145



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK

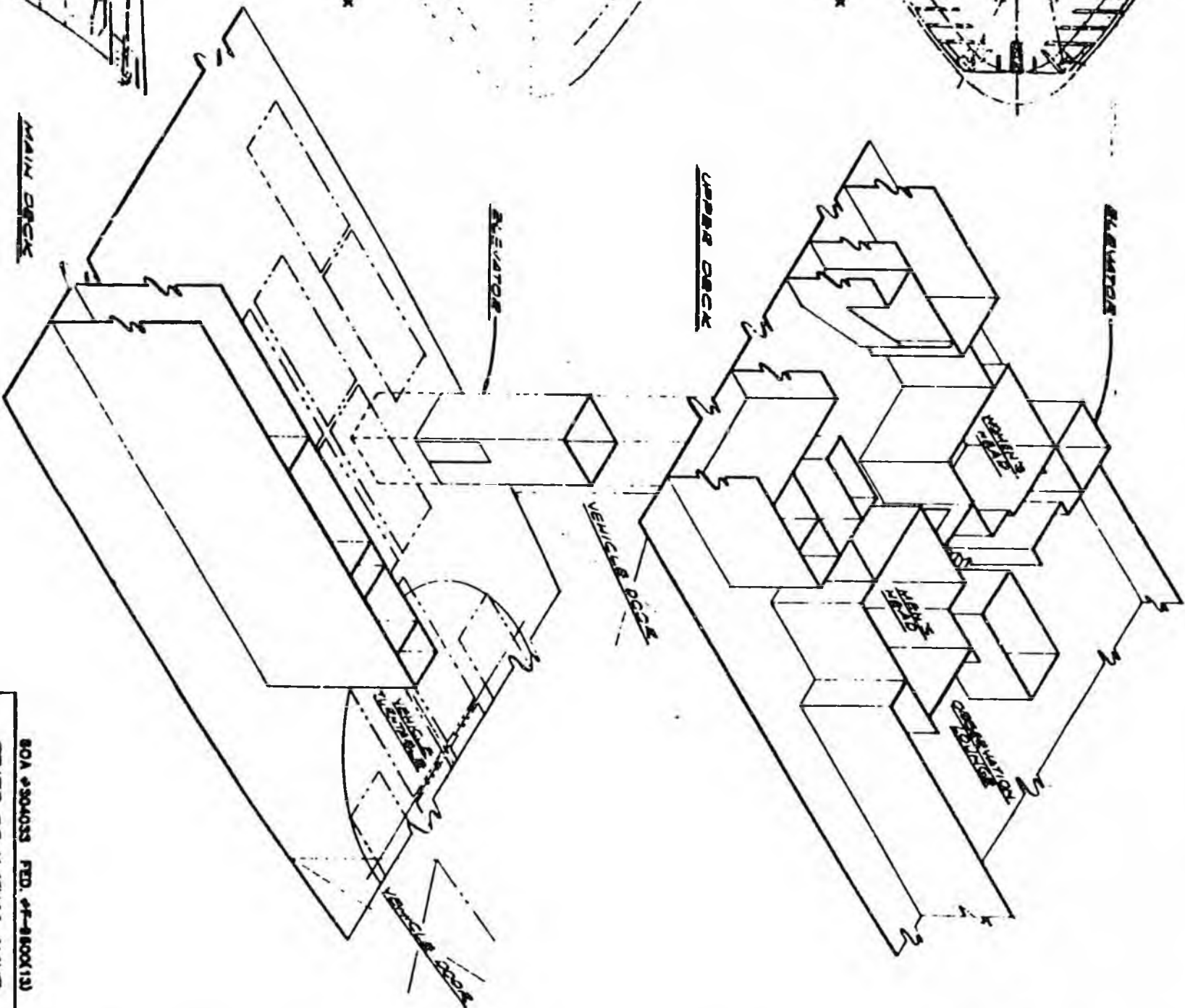


BOARD PROFILE

SITC #3

MAIN DECK

UPPER DECK



ELEVATOR

VEHICLE DECK

CORRIDOR

STAIRS

ELEVATOR



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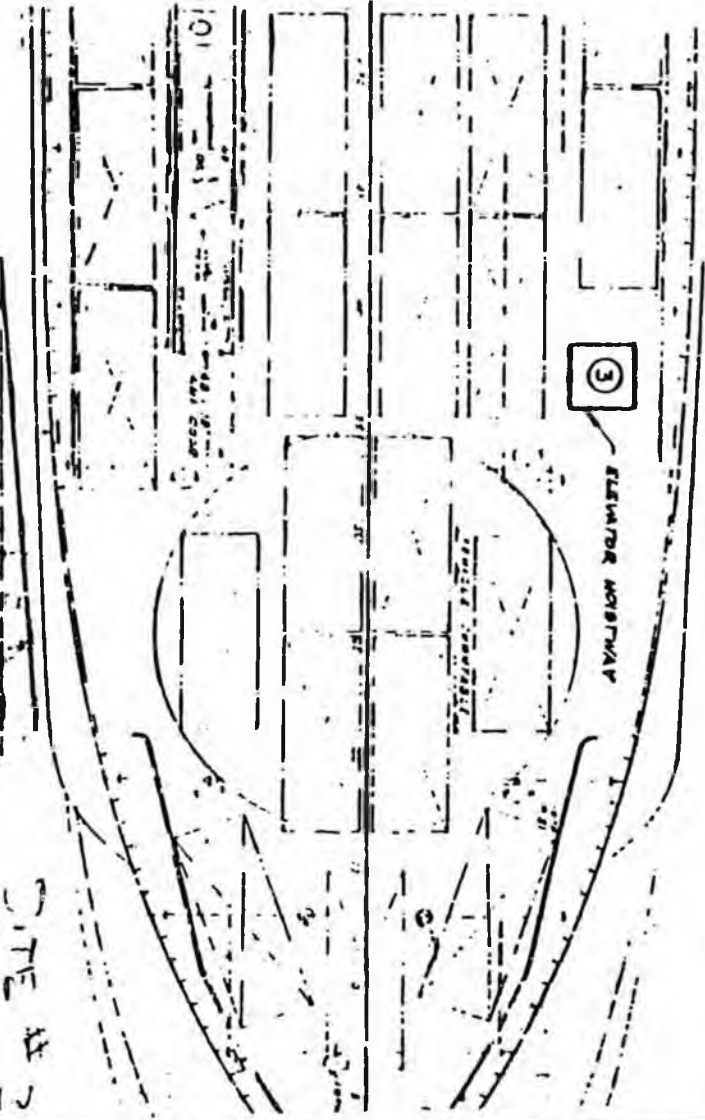
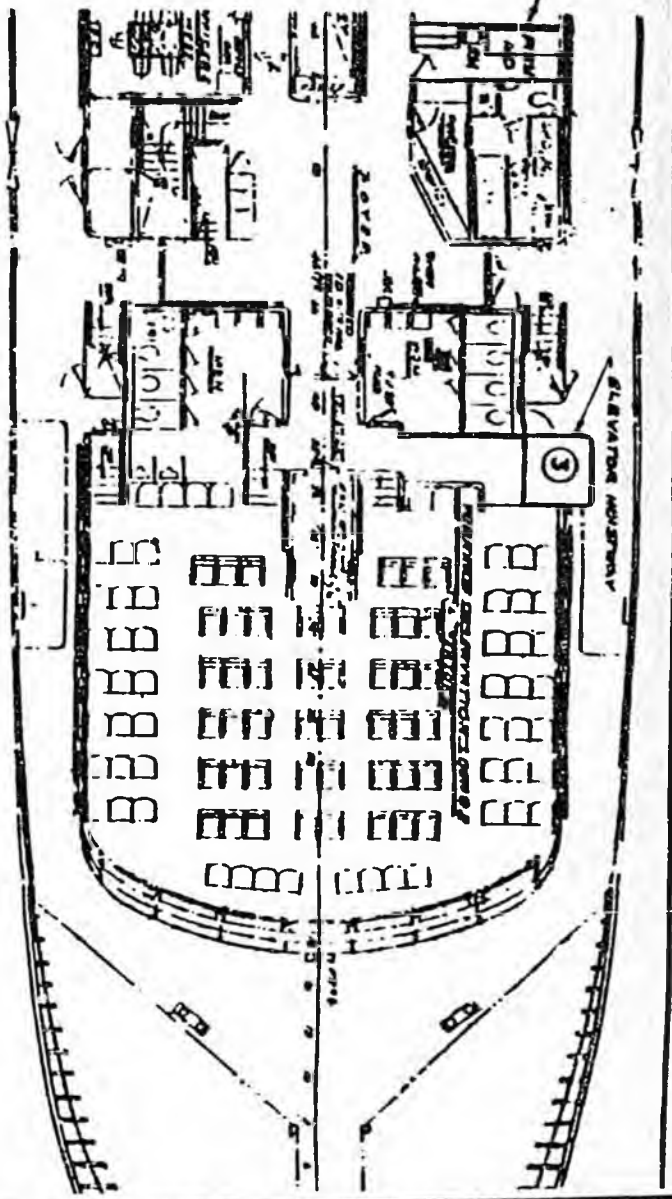
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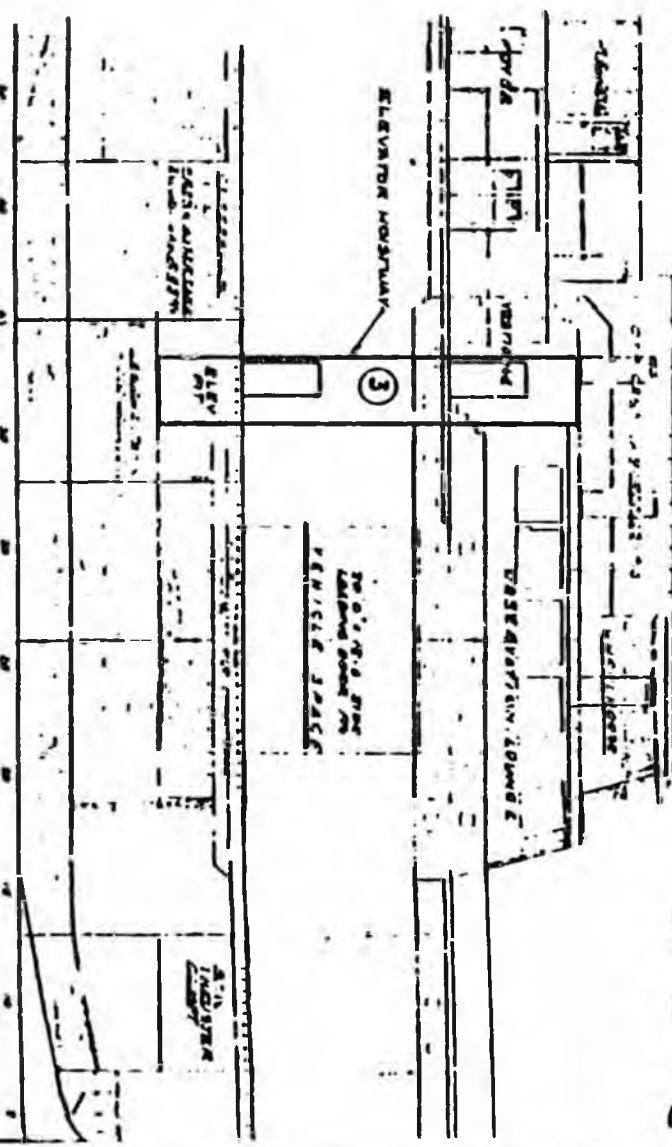
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RELOCATED  
ELEVATOR  
SHAFT



SITE # 2



ARCHITECT  
INCORPORATED

## 7. Elevator Site 4: Aft Port Corner

This site has the following pros, cons, and basic elements:

- o Estimated Cost: \$208,000

*Load Passengers first  
closed after  
inboard cars  
proceeding path*

Major disruption: Operational. Loading of autos must be altered to keep a 3' wide path to the elevator clear, so that the elevator can be used by passengers boarding and disembarking at stops after the first one. If the elevator was located aft, it would not be responsive to the basic objectives if access to it was blocked at the first stop.

*are small  
cars on this  
area*

It is important to note that while the general arrangement plans show a 3 foot space between cars, vans and campers are often carried which are wider and reduce this space to one foot. So in reality, maintaining this three foot wide path would surely reduce the available parking area.

- o The stairwell between the main and gallery decks is eliminated.
- o Elevator is distant from primary loading doors.
- o This site would be good for the crew as it is near the refrigerated stores.
- o The life preserver stowage would have to be relocated inboard.
- o This site would be handy for crew use.
- o The life preserver stowage would have to be relocated inboard.
- o Pit location is good.
- o Requires bar to be relocated, so access can be provided into dining area. Dining seating would be lost.
- o Access is very restricted around outside of trunk at the upper deck. Only 24 inches is available.
- o A third level elevator door at the galley deck could be added to provide access to the gallery deck stores space.

### a. Site 4: Outline Specifications: List of Work

#### 1. Structural

A hoistway with 75" x 75" external dimensions is built down into the steering gear compartment, and up through the upper deck, possibly above the sundeck level. The stairwell access from the main to gallery deck is removed, and life preserver stow relocated. The bar is relocated, and passage provided between the elevator and dining area.

## 2. Mechanical

Fire station number 23 and the supply line on the main deck shall be relocated against the inboard side of the elevator trunk at Frame 96.

The hose bibb and supply line on the the main deck at Frame 96 shall be relocated against the inboard side of the elevator trunk.

The drain piping from the upper deck shall be rerouted to the forward side of the elevator trunk.

The freezer on the main deck at Frame 97 port side shall be removed to make room for the elevator.

The hot and cold potable water and the drainage piping systems on the upper deck shall be modified to suit the bar arrangement selected to provide access to the elevator.

A bilge suction from the elevator pit shall be added to the bilge system.

## 3. Electrical

Power cables on the main deck shall be rerouted around the elevator trunk.

Power shall be provided, in the bar arrangement selected, to operate the undercounter refrigerator, cash register and mixer.

Two power cables, 1 440 VAC 3 phase and 1 120 VAC 1 phase, shall be run from the nearest available distribution panels to the electrical panels for the elevator.

### b. Unresolved Questions, Site 4

Access to the gallery deck stores space should be worked out. A new ladder could be provided, if determined necessary.

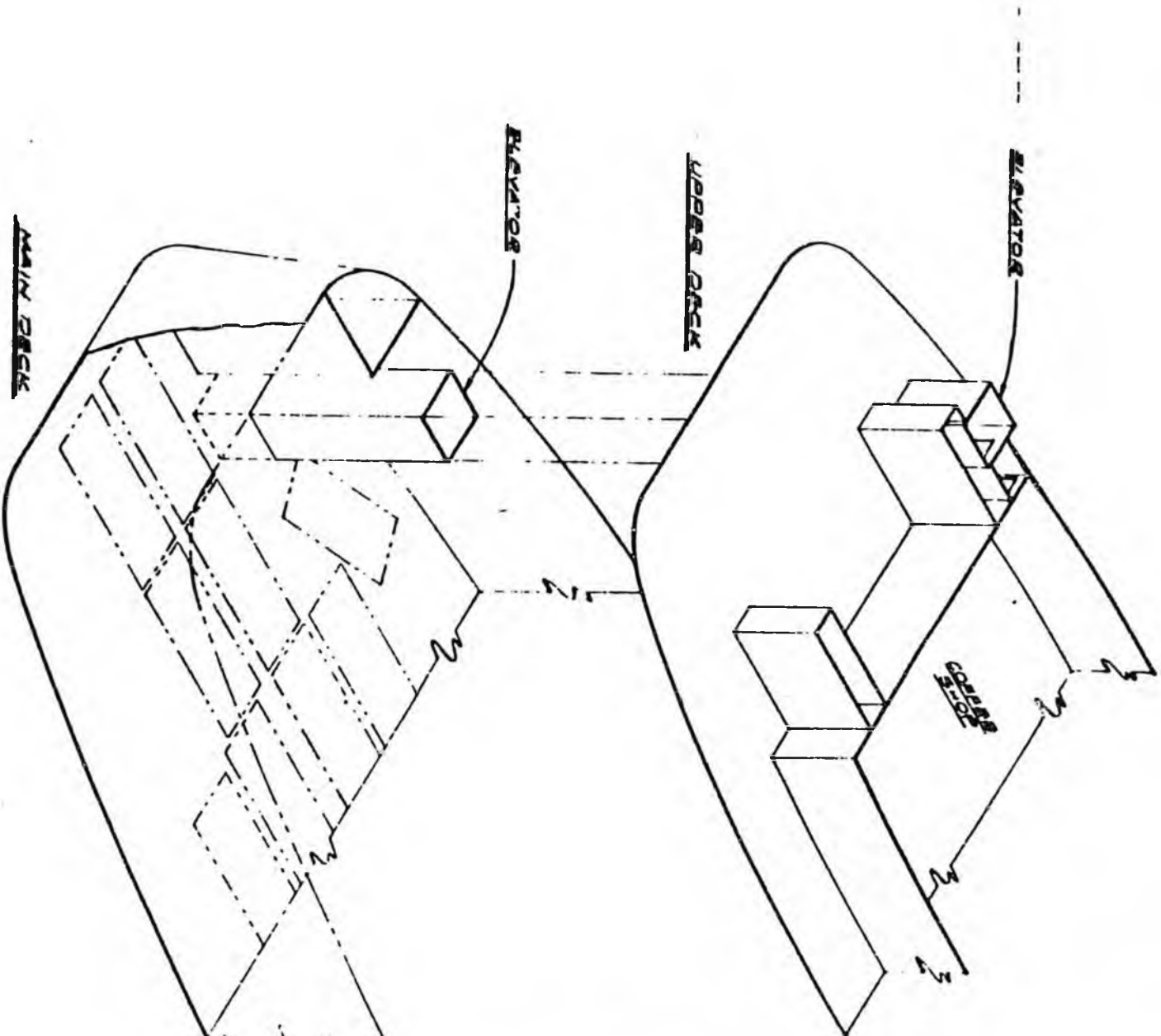
If the central refrigeration system is included, and this option, the arrangement may change slightly.

**COST ESTIMATE : ELEVATOR SITE NO 4**

**THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, inc.**  
 Naval Architects Marine Engineers Ocean Engineers

BY DL	JOB NO. 0677
DATE 11-18-86	SHEET 1 OF 1

ITEM	SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT WEIGHT	UNIT LABOR	UNIT MAT'L.	TOTAL WEIGHT	TOTAL LABOR	TOTAL MATERIAL	REMARKS
		ELEVATOR INSTALLATION								
		OPTION #4								
		REMOVE INTERFERENCES	106 HR		\$35/HR			\$3710		
		REDO BAR/CREEPER SHOP ASBGT	652 HR					22810	5100	
		FADEKATE & INSTALL ELEVATOR TRUNK	850 HR					29750	5400	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR, HOOK UP & TEST	792 HR					27710	1100	
		PREPARE & PAINT	64 HR					2240	1000	
		REINSTALL INTERFERENCES	16 HR					560		
		<b>END-TOTALS</b>	<b>2480</b>					<b>86800</b>	<b>12600</b>	
		ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES							90000	
		10% CONTINGENCY						8680	10260	
		<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>95480</b>	<b>112860</b>	<b>= 208,340</b>



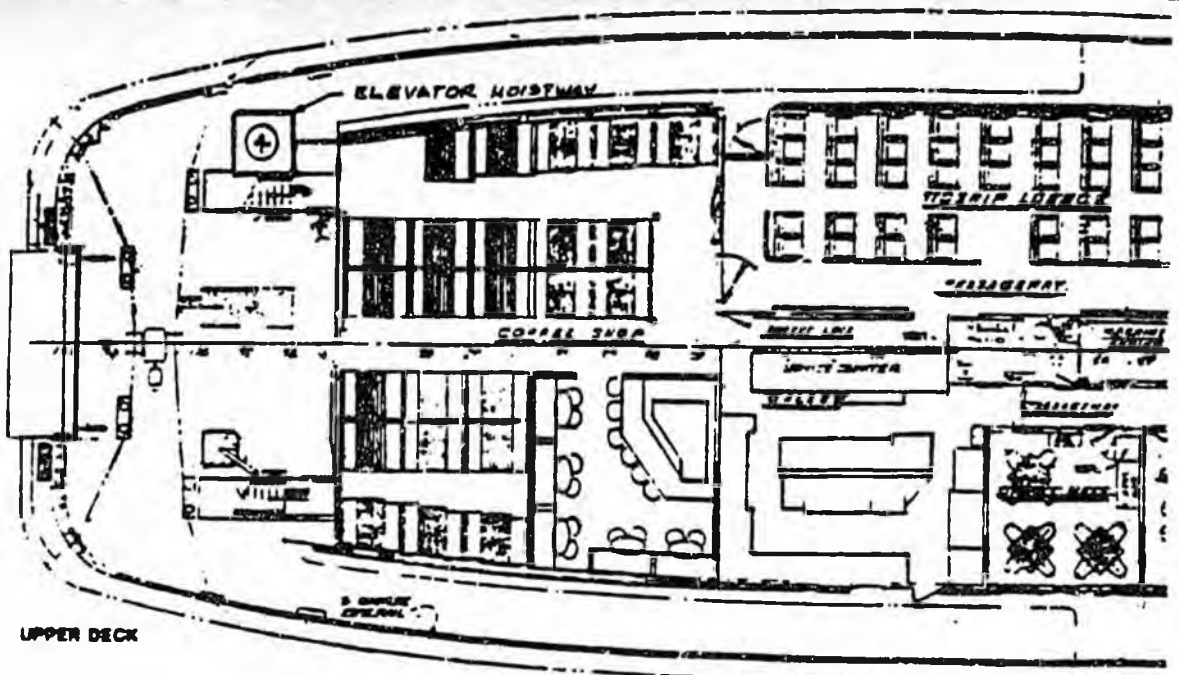
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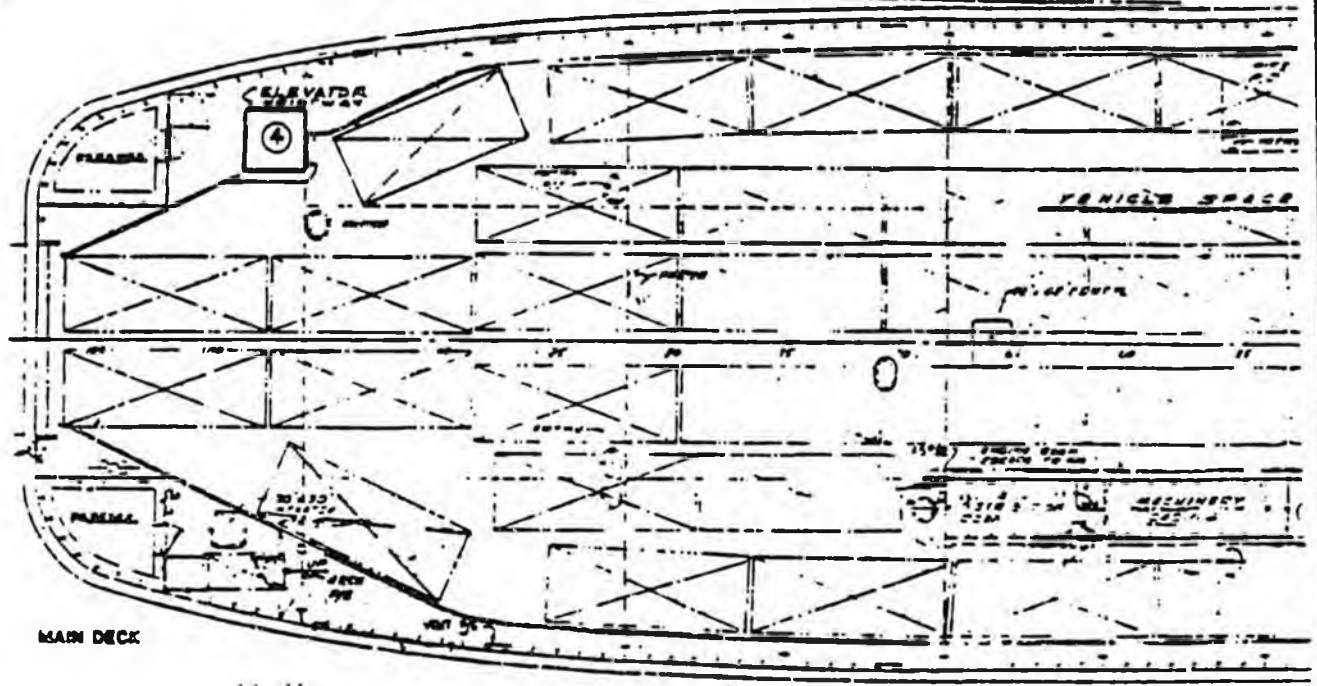
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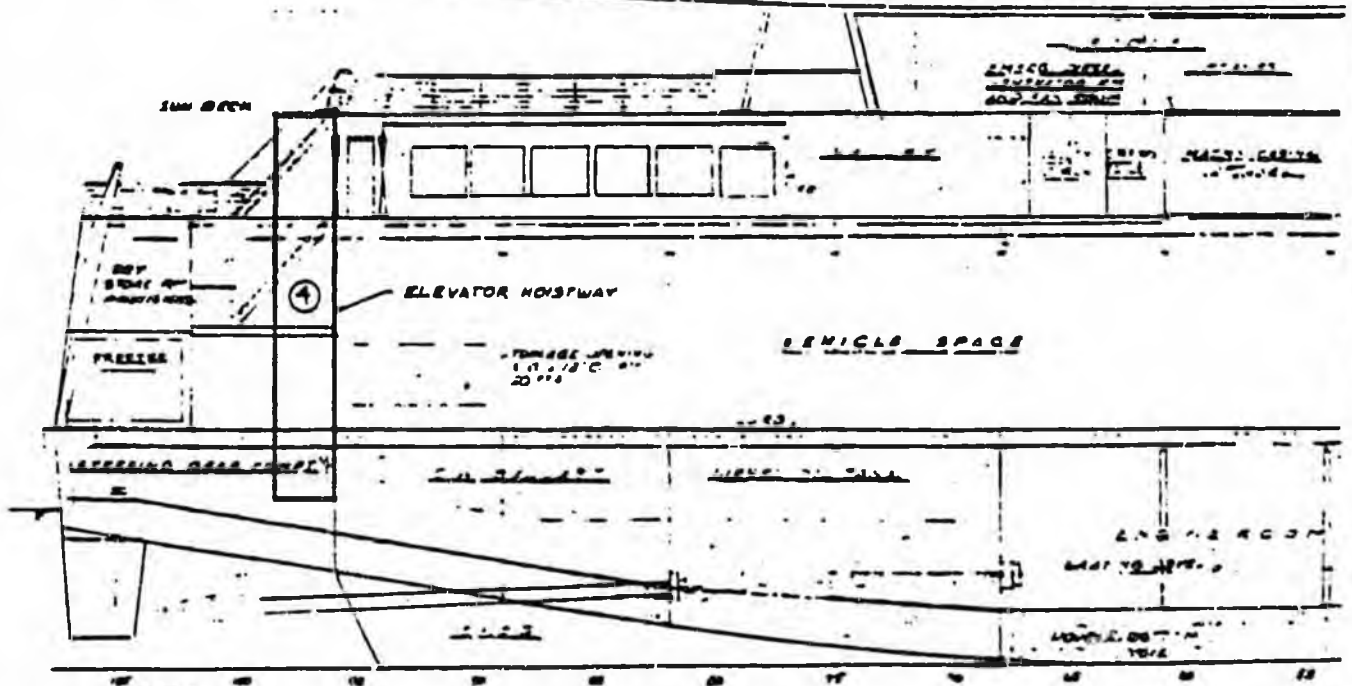
UPPER DECK

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MAIN DECK

B



INBOARD PROFILE

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## APPENDIX A

### Open Hoistway Elevator, Evaluation & Commentary

Preliminary engineering work was performed by AMHS investigating a non-enclosed hoistway or open hoistway elevator. They investigated 7 locations, which were reviewed and the following comments are presented.

Machinery in the form of either a gear rack or hydraulic cylinder must extend down nearly to the main deck, if not all the way. In order to keep this equipment out of the way, and support it, it can only go down along side a bulkhead, or the machinery casing. This requirement rules out all locations except 'e' and 'g'. AMHS preferred site 'g', as site 'e' took space out of the officers' mess. Site 'g' disrupts the men's head, but provides opportunity to provide a handicap head.

The handicap regulations require a minimum inside dimension of 51" by 54", and the current arrangement shows 32" by 60". This option entails finding additional lavatory space on the vessel, perhaps using the crew and officers head on the upper deck. Despite the rearrangement of heads on the upper deck, site 'g' would be the recommended location.

As discussed in the body of the report, this type of elevator is not recommended. However a letter was sent to the U. S. Coast Guard, inquiring about the approval of this type of elevator. A response is yet to come. This letter and its enclosures follow, and all AMHS correspondence and notes are also included.

A cost for this type of elevator in site 'g' is estimated to be \$131,000. This assumes an equipment cost of about 75% of the equipment in a standard enclosed hoistway type elevator. This assumption may not be conservative, as safety features may be required that are unforeseen at this time.

# COST ESTIMATE: ELEVATOR SITE: G

THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, inc.  
 Naval Architects Marine Engineers Ocean Engineers

BY DL	JOB NO 8677
DATE 11-17-86	SHEET 1 OF 1

ITEM	SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT WEIGHT	UNIT LABOR	UNIT MAT'L.	TOTAL WEIGHT	TOTAL LABOR	TOTAL MATERIAL	REMARKS
		ELEVATOR INSTALLATION								
		OPTION 'G'								
		REMOVE INTERFERENCES	64 HR		\$35/HR			\$2240	\$300	
		MODIFY RESTROOMS	142 HR					4970	2600	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR TRAIL	200 HR					7000	1000	
		INSTALL ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES	720 HR					25200	1000	
		PREPARE & COAT DISTURBED SURFACES	40 HR					1400	800	
		REINSTALL INTERFERENCES	64 HR					2240		
		<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>1230 HR</b>					<b>43330</b>	<b>5700</b>	
		PURCHASE ELEVATOR & ACCESSORIES							70,000	
		10% CONTINGENCY						4333	7570	
		<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>47663</b>	<b>83270</b>	<b>= \$ 130,933</b>



**THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, inc.**  
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15 November 1986  
File No. 8677

VIA TELECOPIER

Commanding Officer  
U. S. Coast Guard  
MSC (g-MSC-1)  
Hull Division  
2100 2nd Street Southwest  
Washington, D.C. 20593

Subject: Non-enclosed-hoistway elevators for vehicle/passenger ferries.  
Alaska Marine Highway System  
M/V I CONTE, O.N. 555-601

Gentlemen:

We are currently exploring options for the installation of a personnel elevator on board the subject vessel. The elevator will serve passengers, and travel between the main deck (auto deck) and upper deck (passenger deck). The elevator will be operated at dockside only; not while underway.

In order to minimize the impact of the installation on the main deck arrangement, an elevator with a non-enclosed hoistway is being considered. We recognize this approach is not typical, but respectfully request your review of the information in this letter and on the enclosed sketches, and we solicit your comment as to the feasibility of approving such an installation.

You will notice in the enclosed sketches that the upper deck is penetrated by the upper end of the hoistway, and this box structure would be a fire boundary as required for the overhead of the car deck. One wall of this box structure would have fire doors for access in and out of the elevator car. We note however that when the car is not at the upper deck level, while being used dockside, the box structure would be open on the bottom.

We compare the box structure to the penetration of a stairwell above the main deck. We further note that while there is no door at the bottom of the box structure, as there is at the bottom of a stairway, there also is no enclosed hoistway. This elevator would not be used during fire and would not need to be considered a "safe haven", like a stairwell.

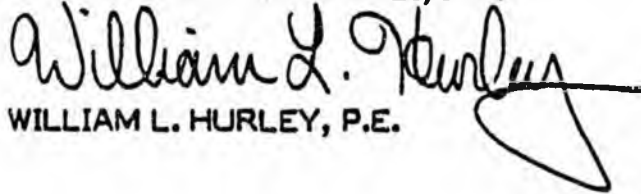
Commanding Officer  
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We would appreciate a quick response to this inquiry, and would like to call next Tuesday to discuss any first impressions you may have.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please call with any questions, or if clarification of the enclosed sketches is needed. Also, since we sent the sketches by telecopier, please call if you can't read them and we will send better copies by courier.

Yours very truly,

THE GLOSTEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

  
WILLIAM L. HURLEY, P.E.

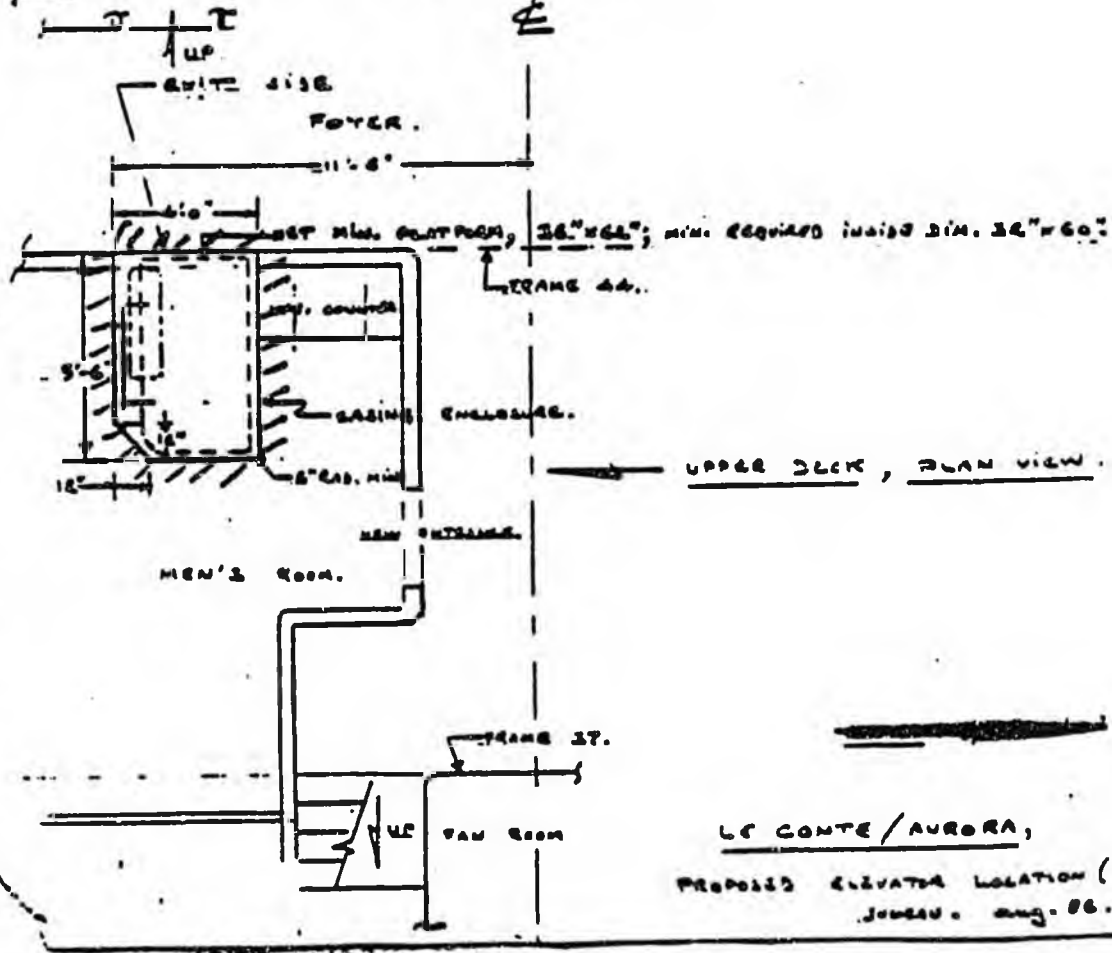
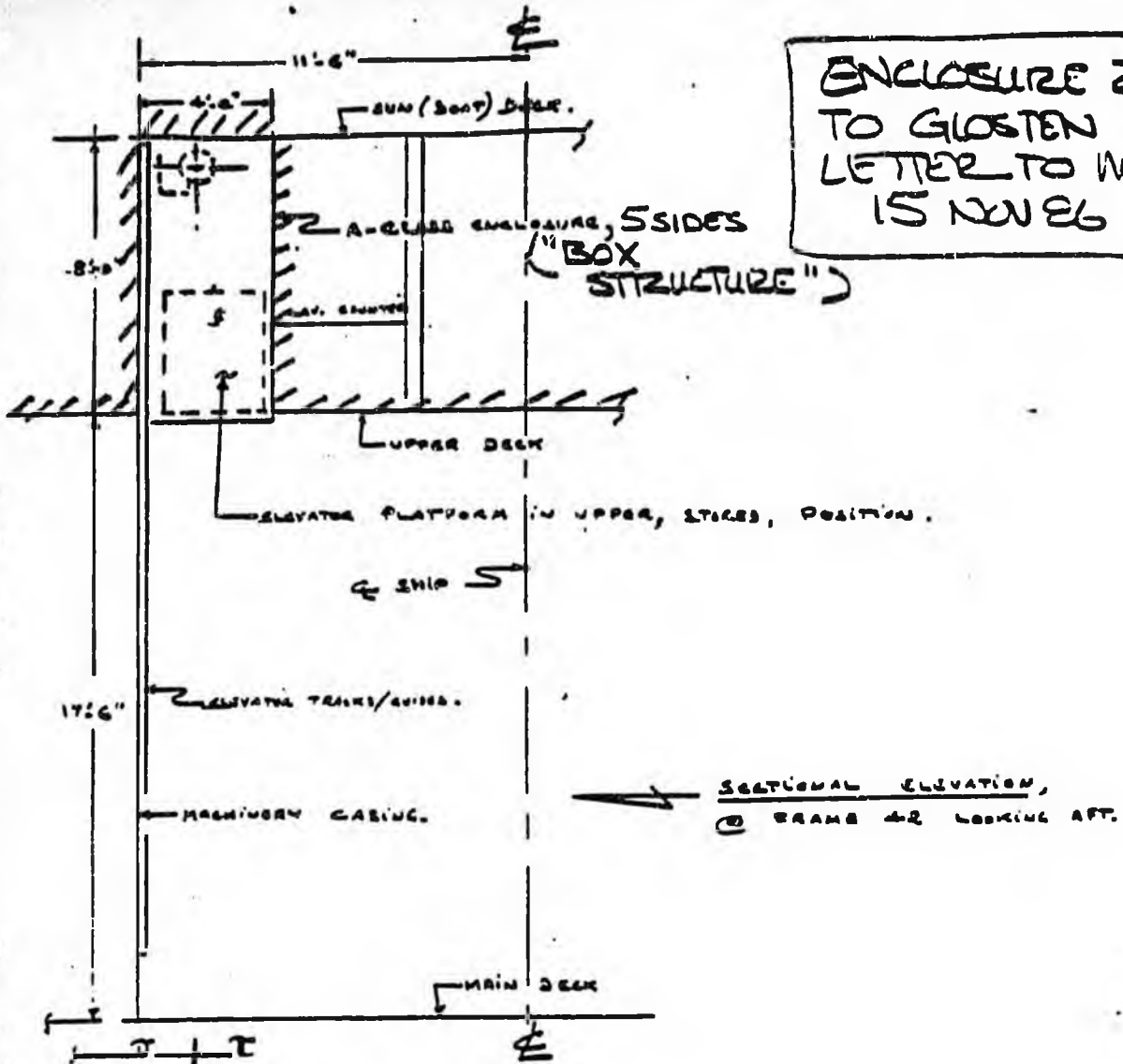
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Enclosures: (all 8-1/2 x 11 sheets)

1. LECONTE Proposed Elevator, Main Deck Illustrations, 1 sheet.
2. LECONTE Proposed Elevator, Elevation and Upper Deck Plan View, 1 sheet.
3. LECONTE Elevation, 1 sheet.
4. LECONTE Main Deck Arrangement, 1 sheet.
5. LECONTE Gallery Deck Arrangement, 1 sheet.
6. LECONTE Upper Deck Arrangement, 1 sheet.



ENCLOSURE 2  
 TO GLOSTEN  
 LETTER TO WSC,  
 15 NOV 86



LE CONTE/AURORA,  
 PROPOSED ELEVATOR LOCATION (2)  
 JUNE 86 - AUG. 86.

INNEL

HOUSE TOP

OFFICERS QUARTERS P/S

WHEELHOUSE

BRIDGE DECK

EAN ROOM

RESERVATION ZONE

STAIRWAY (S)

110' D. AL P/S (TYP)

22' 9" x 15' 9" SLOPE BRIDGE

VEHICLE SPACE

DEEP W.

STAN P/S

FWD ENDING OF C. SINE. STAIRWAY (S)

18' 6" FT. (S)

GIRDER P/S

COFFER DAM

FRESH WATER TANK 26000 GAL (95%)

TURNABLE MACHINERY ROOM

15' x 23' 6" BND (P)

SIX BALLAST

15' x 23' 6" RANDON IN BND (S)

BOW THRUST COMP

SEWAGE TANK 14000 GAL (95%)

VOID

11' x 11' P/S

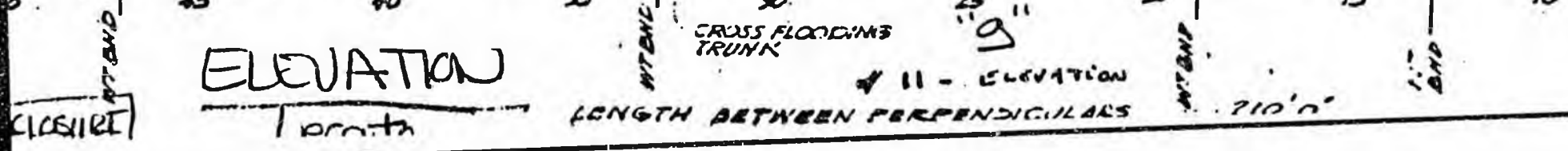
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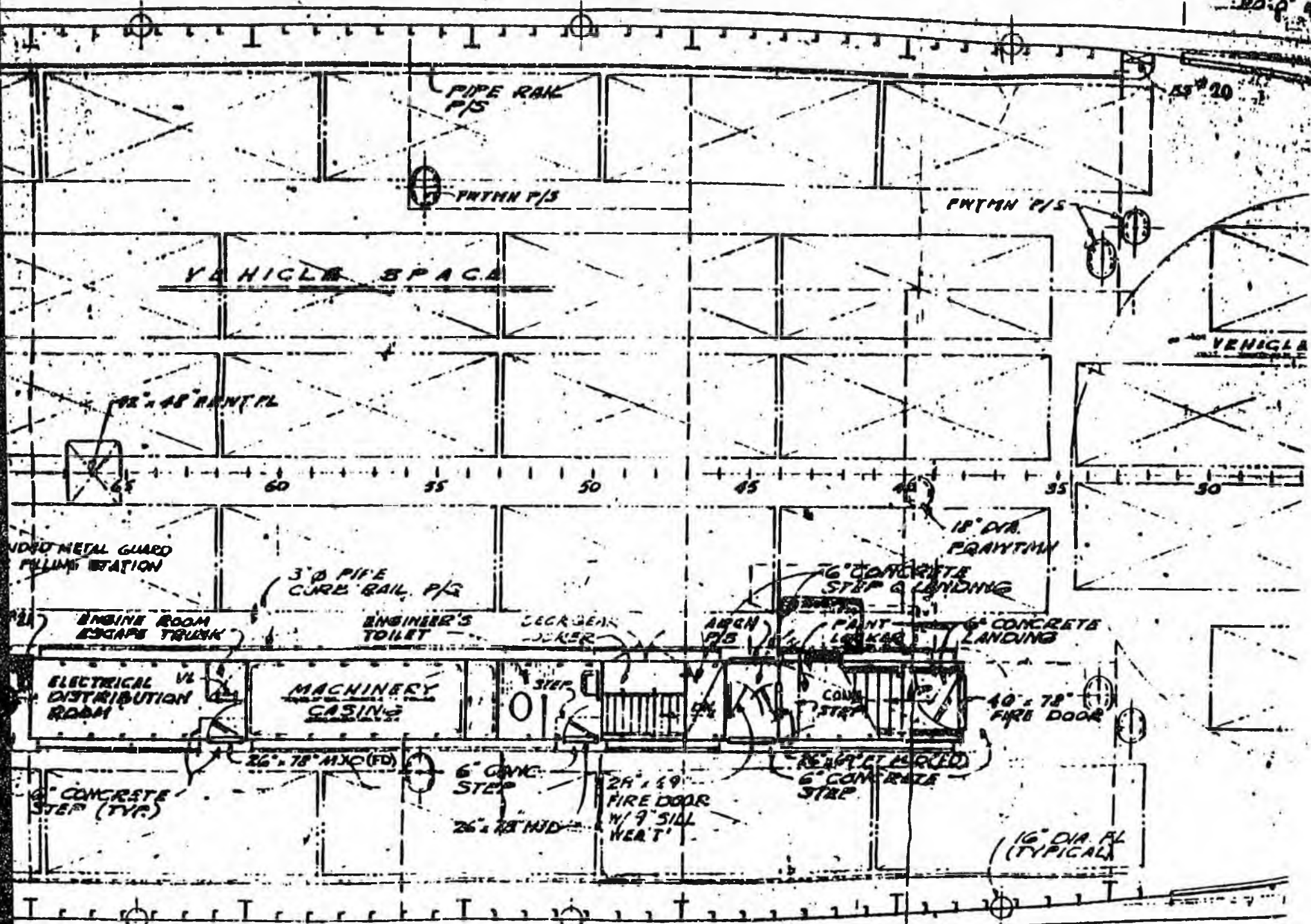
11 - ELEVATION

LENGTH BETWEEN PERPENDICULARS

710' 0"



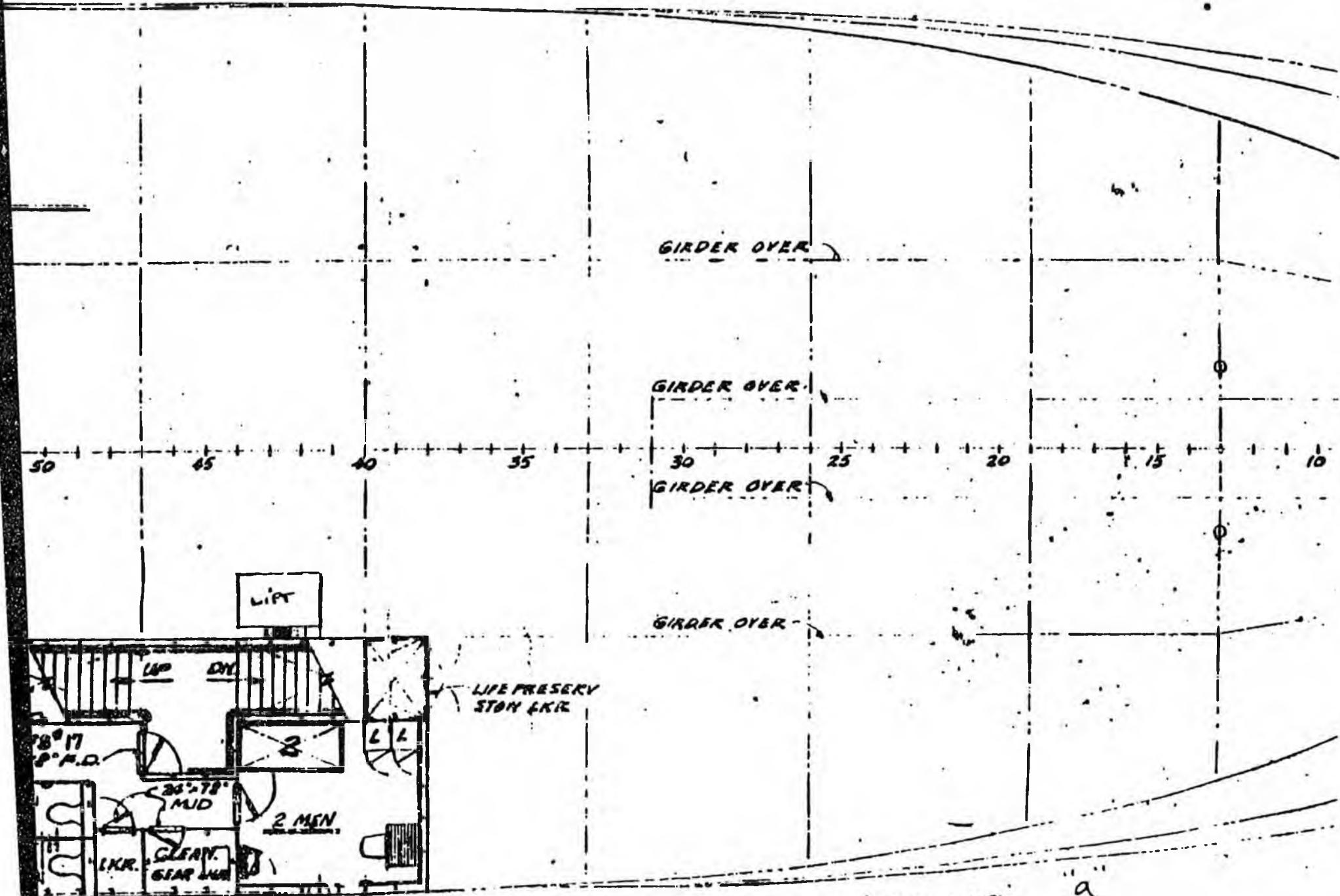
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15'0" x  
20'0" x



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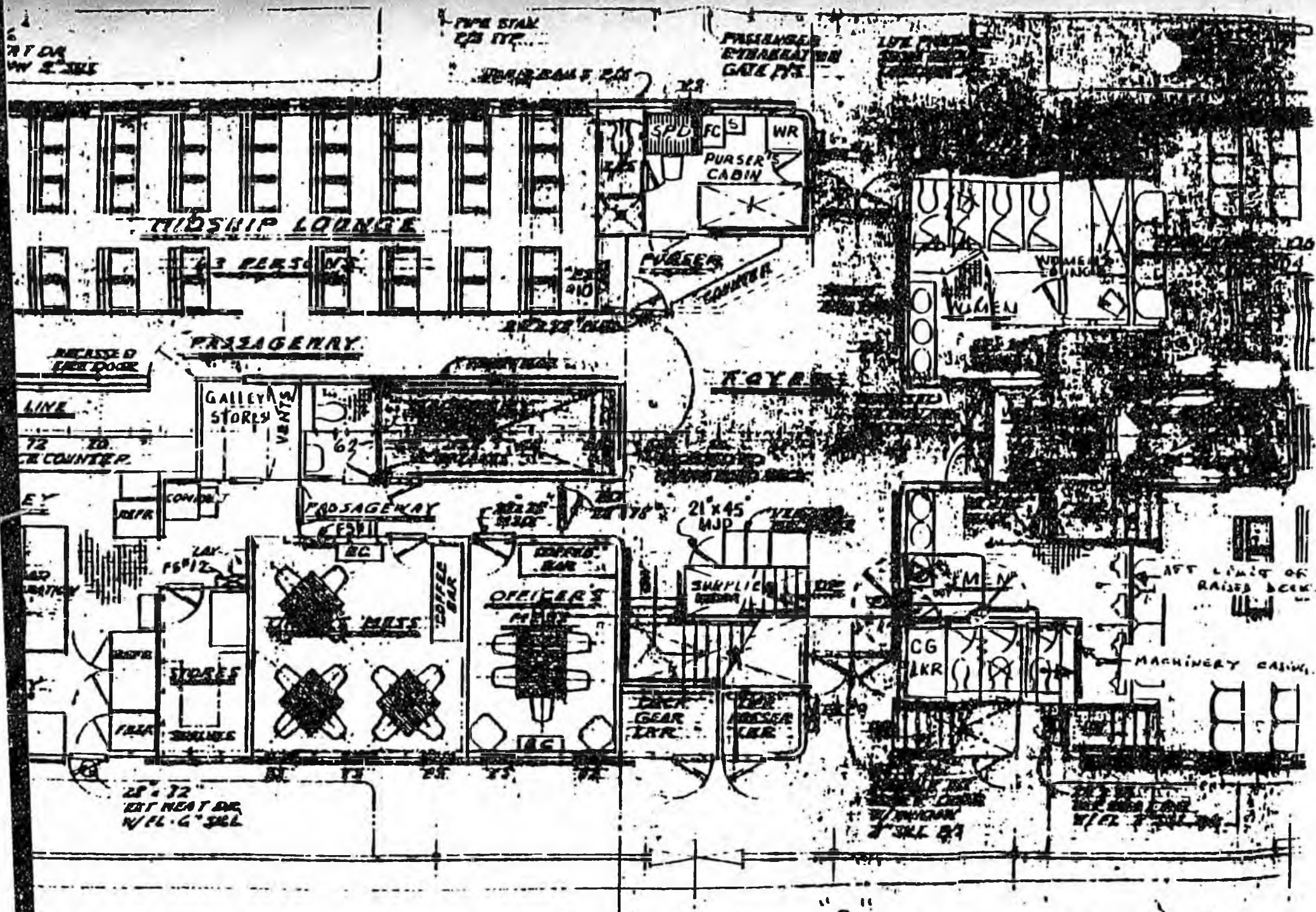
MAIN DECK ARRGT

9" 11-A. MAIN DECK LVL



GALLERY DECK # 11 B. GALLERY DECK LEVEL.

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ENCLOSURE  
6

UPPER DECK ARRANGEMENT

SCALE 1" = 1'-0"

PURSUIT OF AUGUST 20, 1986 INQUIRY

On September 3 and 4 we contacted the elevator manufacturers of the attached list to obtain their comments on "our submitted input" of August 20.

No. 3 had already answered by letter, returning the file and confirming their inaptitude to supply the type of equipment required.

The answers from suppliers 1, 2, 4, and 5 are all somewhat containing the same message.

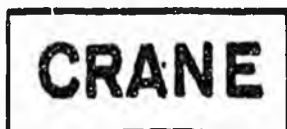
- The proposed installation does not meet recognizable code.
- They have enough business without dealing with special headache projects.
- Cannot be of any help, have to decline, or cannot do anything for us.
- They do not produce the type of hardware required and cannot adapt...

Potential supplier No. 6 showed definite positive but cautious interest. They sent us a copy of applicable code. In discussions their speaker acknowledges the possibility of using a rack and pinion drive and recognize it as a most compact drive system. He also mentions that they would have no problem to incorporate the standard safety features as "overspeed", "emergency power" etc., on this type of drive.

On September 5 we rechecked with Mr. Ken Schoenlein of Crane UNIDYNAMICS. Without being worded it appears that the slow response is also due to at least certain hesitations on the subject of safety without an elevator shaft; Realizing that the alternate operational functions are somewhat arbitrary in approval and possibly restrictive in operations. I have been promised a written answer on the subjects (see September 16 letter). Otherwise K.S. feels that Crane UNIDYNAMICS could comply with the geometric restrictions, but the comment is made without having done a detailed review of the material sent by AMHS. (This report was written around September 10).

dmd/075/dir2





# UNIDYNAMICS

A SUBSIDIARY OF CRANE CO

UNIDYNAMICS/MIDWEST

10816 TRENTON

ST. LOUIS, MO 63132

16 September 1986

Mr. George Diry  
P.O. Box 116  
Douglas, AK 99824

Subject: Handicap Personnel Elevator for Car Ferry

Reference: P6-2113

Dear Mr. Diry:

After reviewing your comments and illustrative sketches, we feel that a hydraulic elevator may better suit your application than the originally suggested rack and pinion system. Due to the extremely low overhead clearance between the upper and sun decks, there is insufficient room for a rack and pinion type system which requires the drive machinery and safety assembly to be mounted above the elevator on the machinery frame. This system normally requires 13 feet of space between the upper landing and the underside of the overhead. By reducing the inside car height, adjusting the spacing on equipment mounted to the machinery frame and keeping overtravels to a minimum, it is possible to squeeze the elevator into an 11'-6" vertical space. With only 7'-8" of room available, a rack and pinion unit is not practical.

A hydraulic elevator on the other hand, would allow a full 84" inside height for the elevator. The lift cylinder would be positioned behind the elevator and between the bulkhead mounted guide rails. The hydraulic power supply and reservoir could be located in an adjacent area to prevent it from being in a high traffic area.

Nevertheless, as we see it, any elevator that is installed in the area that you have designated is going to be violating certain ANSI/ASME A17.1-1986 elevator codes. They are:

Rule 106.1a A pit is required for all elevators.

Rule 107.1a There is to be not less than (2) two feet between the pit floor and the lowest structural or mechanical part when the car is on its fully compressed buffer.

Mr. George Diry  
16 September 1986  
Page 2

- Rule 107.1c The bottom car runby is to be not less than six (6) inches.
- Rule 107.1f The top car clearance is to be not less than thirty (30) inches.
- Rule 110.1 All landing openings provided with entrances which guard the full height and width of openings.
- Rule 110.2 Entrances must be horizontal slide, swing type, vertical slide or a combination horizontal slide and swing.
- Rule 110.3 (Pertains to the closing of hoistway doors.)
- Rule 203.9 A twenty-one (21) inch minimum depth platform guard is required.

Some other violations are incurred, but they are mostly incidental to the above mentioned rules.

If you require any additional information, please feel free to contact me or the Marketing Manager, Mr. Kenneth Schoenlein.

Sincerely,



Rodger L. Pease  
Applications Engineer

RLP:cs



# AMERICAN ELEVATOR

1258 First Avenue South • Seattle, Washington 98134 • (206) 623-2400 / Anacortes • (206) 293-0518

August 15, 1986

Mr. George Diry  
Alaska State Ferry System  
P.O. Box 116  
Douglas, AK 99824

Re: Shipboard elevators

Dear Mr. Diry:

Thank you for your recent inquiry regarding our elevating equipment for your State Ferry System.

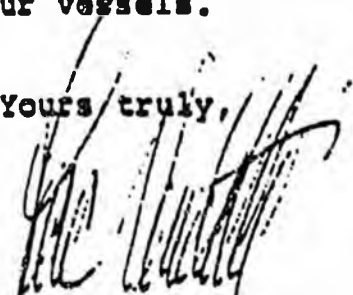
To recap our conversation briefly, we discussed a cantilevered designed carframe, with an car enclosure suitable for freight and/or attendant operation.

I feel confident that we could meet your specifications in regard to elevator equipment and installation. However, I understand that the proposed system is to operate for some portion of its travel without the benefit of a shaft enclosure, which we must advise you is required by code.

I have enclosed copies of the more salient sections from ANSI A17.1 Elevator and Escalator National Code for ready reference to the rules we must abide.

We would welcome the opportunity to review your plans and specifications for elevators and pledge our assistance in selecting the best equipment for your vessels.

Yours truly,

  
Marc Vendetti, President  
American Elevator Company

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# MEMORANDUM


State of Alaska  
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

TO: George Diry  
Naval Architect  
Marine Facilities Engineering  
Alaska Marine Highway System

DATE: August 7, 1986

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO: 465-2734

FROM: John McGrath   
Senior Construction Manager  
Marine Facilities Engineering  
Alaska Marine Highway System

SUBJECT: Vessel Access  
(M/V LeCONTE  
Elevator)  
LC/30352021

Regarding your report (draft) subject project with options a) - f), and subsequent addendum addressing option g); it was concluded in our meeting August 6 that option g) will provide the most useful lift; we shall proceed with development of option g).

As the next event prepare a package of information upon which potential suppliers of elevator equipment can advise us of the mechanical possibilities. The information should include enlarged plan and elevations of affected areas; performance requirements of the lift mechanism; special features, or limitations; and the industry, and agency requirements to which the elevator will be both built, and installed to.

We shall review this information together August 18 by which time I presume you will have made some preliminary contacts with potential suppliers.

JM/mh

cc: Joe Camp - Deputy Commissioner, AMHS, with addendum report  
Harold Moeser - Director, Marine Facilities Engineering,  
AMHS  
Tom Shanley - Asst. Port Steward, Marine Operations, AMHS

M/V LECONTE elevator - addendum to mid-July review

- g) An "inside" landing location to be further investigated is one within the men's restroom.

The floor plan changes can incorporate the required modifications to the restrooms for both genders which are to provide "handicapped" toilet space.

A sketch of the space with minimum area for a wheelchair and attendant's lift, properly located to give access to the foyer area, is shown on sketch 11. It provides net platform dimensions of 36' x 62' and approximately 8' of space along the inboard machinery casing wall to contain the guide track(s), the driving machinery and the vertical portion of the cantilevered structure to support the "personnel caged platform." A complete "A" grade enclosure is required from the upper deck to the sun (boat) deck, including a self closing door of appropriate rating. The entire platform and its components must be made of steel.

To alleviate the overhead clearance requirements which are existing for the standard winding drum approach, and likely cannot be met, we suggested to the lift manufacturer to look at a chain drive of the type used on fork lifts. The intent being to contain the whole drive and support structure within a vertical space approximately 3 feet long and with a maximum protrusion from the supporting wall of 8 in., this excludes the horizontal cantilevered portion of the structure which is to be incorporated in the platform floor. But the manufacturer prefers to stay with the rack and pinion drive with which they have some experience.

The speculative factors due to custom manufacture and covered in 2(a) still exist, they cannot be positively answered before a certain period of time which may be critical to the realization of the program within the intended schedule.

Proposal drawings are expected which may answer some of the relevant questions.

In practice, while no solid obstruction will exist on the main deck due to the absence of tower, it will still be directed to keep the auto lane under the platform clear for a certain length, say 10 to 12 feet, resulting in the loss of one car space.

- SEE ATTACHMENT TO  
USCG/GILSTON LETTER  
FOR DESCRIPTION OF 'A'

**DRAFT**

M/V LeCONTE Elevator

This is a brief review of the investigated options to provide vertical access from the main (car) deck to the upper (accommodations) deck. Access to the forward doors is heavily favored to parallel the original staircase, but we may also consider that 25% of the harbors served use stern loading.

1. Stairway Chairlift - represented by the "Silver glide" of the American Stairglide Corp., or the "Wecolator" of the Cheney Co.

After detailed design study and inquiries with the representatives it is established that the foreign-built hardware cannot be adapted and warranted to bridge the 68 inch gap existing on the starboard face of the staircase at the first landing level.

The port facing is irregular, with many ducts and cableways and the sharp "male" corner cannot be negotiated with this system.

2. Elevators, Locations and Schemes:

- a) With access to foyer:

Requires a location @ frames 47 to 51, which condemns a large locker on the main deck.

A permanent elevator casing on the inboard side (port) of the access and machinery casing would contribute an obstruction and hazard to this parking lane. The space penalty would be at least 3 to 4 vehicles, almost 7% to 10% of capacity.

The cantilevered open type platform at this location would limit main deck interference but preliminary inquiry suggest a lengthy period before ascertaining the possibility. Regulatory compliance is also in question. The prospective supplier does not have a "standard" accepted drive system for this purpose. The rack and pinion type which would be the most compact have not up to date been used by the general public. The manufacturer also contemplated the ball screw approach which we feel may bring further functional complications in a cantilevered scheme. Their most standard winding drum approach has the drive machinery at the bottom, which in this case would set it below deck.

The required machinery and/or cantilevered frame space, below deck, demands precise compartment investigation. The location is at the forward top end of the engine room. The likelihood of many interferences may

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YES

YES

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preclude installation in this area altogether.

Those factors make it speculative to pursue this solution.

- b) The cantilevered open type option can also be contemplated between frames 40 and 424, with the inner platform edge 17 feet off centerline on the port side. The landing on the upper LVL would be in lieu of the existing life preserver storage under an access ladder. A slight after move of the ladder and inching outboard still make for a squeeze landing.

The remarks made for case (a) apply here, with the exception that the below deck space, a void partly over the sponson framing, shall not present any significant obstacle. A truss core or honeycomb type panel hinged on the side would cover the frame cavity when the lift is not in use and stored at the upper landing.

- c) After upper deck location: (sketches 8, 9, 10) The location would be between frames 97 to 102, on either port or starboard, 7'6" to 11'9" off the centerline.

At this location the elevator constitutes only a partial access interference and only for vehicles using the stern ramp. The space penalty can be nullified by judicious placement of the lift system.

The below main deck space is part of the steering compartment where interferences are amenable to treatment. Depth below deck is limited however around 7 to 8 feet. The upper deck required casing will interfere with the mooring arrangement on the side of the elevator. A new deck layout will be necessary.

Like in (b) landing at the upper deck is not within the confines of the accommodation spaces, which makes for a more readily acceptable open lift system, i.e. without solid casing between main and upper deck. Such an arrangement can, at this location, make use of standard industrial personnel lifts.

This latter alternative would:

- permit a shallow depth of installation below deck.
- provide standard construction common to multiple units and likely more reliability than a customized installation.
- provide the flexibility to remove all obstruction on the main deck level if ever required.
- represent the most cost effective alternative lift.

The objection to this elevator location is the need to maintain a 27 inch+ access lane to the front loading doors. This may impose new guide tracks for the 5 smaller vehicles of the extreme starboard lane. A total of 9 to 9½ foot width is available which makes this attempt a possibility, admitting certain restrictions, like access to the vehicles from one side only.

d) Foredeck location: (sketches 1, 5, and 7)

Since the loading frequency is higher from the front doors than the stern ramp, it seems appropriate to persist in finding a forward location.

A centerline lift between frames 8 to 12 fulfill this requirement. The major differences with solution (c) are:

- The upper deck layout and visual interferences may prove more objectionable from an operation point of view.
- The below main (car) deck space over the bow thruster unit is more depth limited, a direct result is that a standard industrial platform, as contemplated above, will be an estimated 20 inches above the desired deck level requiring a steep access ramp.
- The main deck level loses 1 vehicle space, approximately 2% of the total capacity.
- The upper deck landing will be made higher over the deck level by the sheer and crown geometry. The resulting landing space would be effectively shorter than in (c).

e) Foyer/Officer's mess: (sketches 1, 4, and 6)

A possibility for the cantilevered type open platform is between frame 53 to 56, port side of the machinery casing, with upper landing through the foyer after bulkhead. This location presents the least structural complications for this solution and the "factory overhead" structure and mechanism may fit. Plan room requires channelling of the support/drive track within the machinery casing.

Beside the proviso already quoted in (b) there is the need to inch into the passageway to attempt procuring the minimum width.

Last but not least, cutting into the officer's mess could prove demoralizing.

f) Forward end of the machinery and access casing:

We gave thought to a location between frame 35 and 38 on the starboard forward end of the casing. The

support leg (the outboard one if two are fitted) would here have to be telescopic and self retractable upward. The scheme gets sophisticated for a custom installation. Besides the difficult structural support other inconvenience are:

- Still restrictive landing, and within the accommodation spaces. 1 P&W  
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- Elimination of 3 seats in the forward observation lounge. V. 1/2
- Take some area in the men's restroom, which may prove penalizing when rearranging the latter. 11-  
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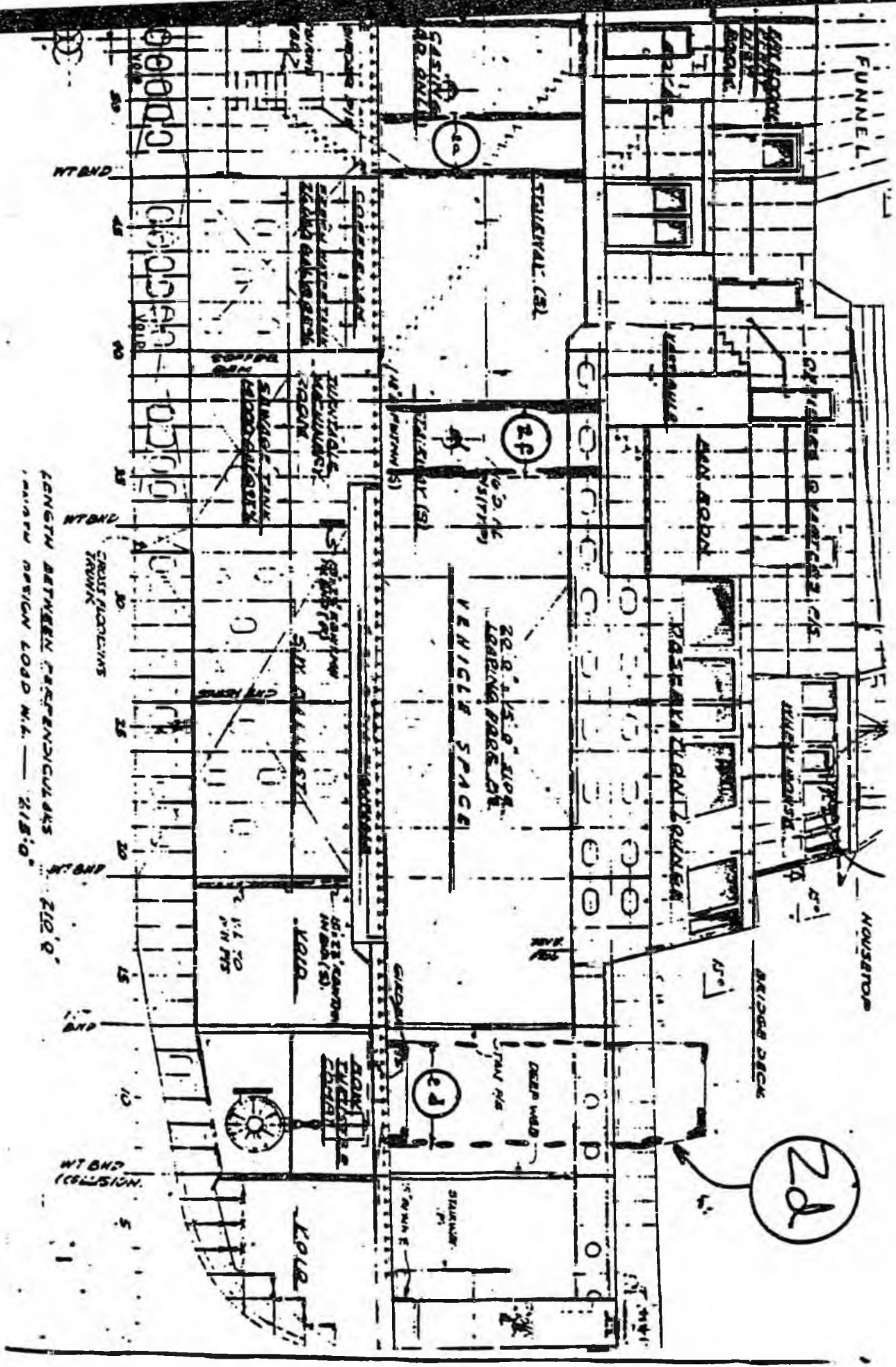
Conclusion:

Location (c), which was also selected by the crew on their 1985 SMR, may be not by pure coincidence, appears to offer the best overall compromise. The access drawback when loading from the front door can be made acceptable.

Due to the size of the vessel and the simple two levels services contemplated this writer would seriously consider adaptation of a standard industrial personnel lift of the scissor type with electro-hydraulic power.

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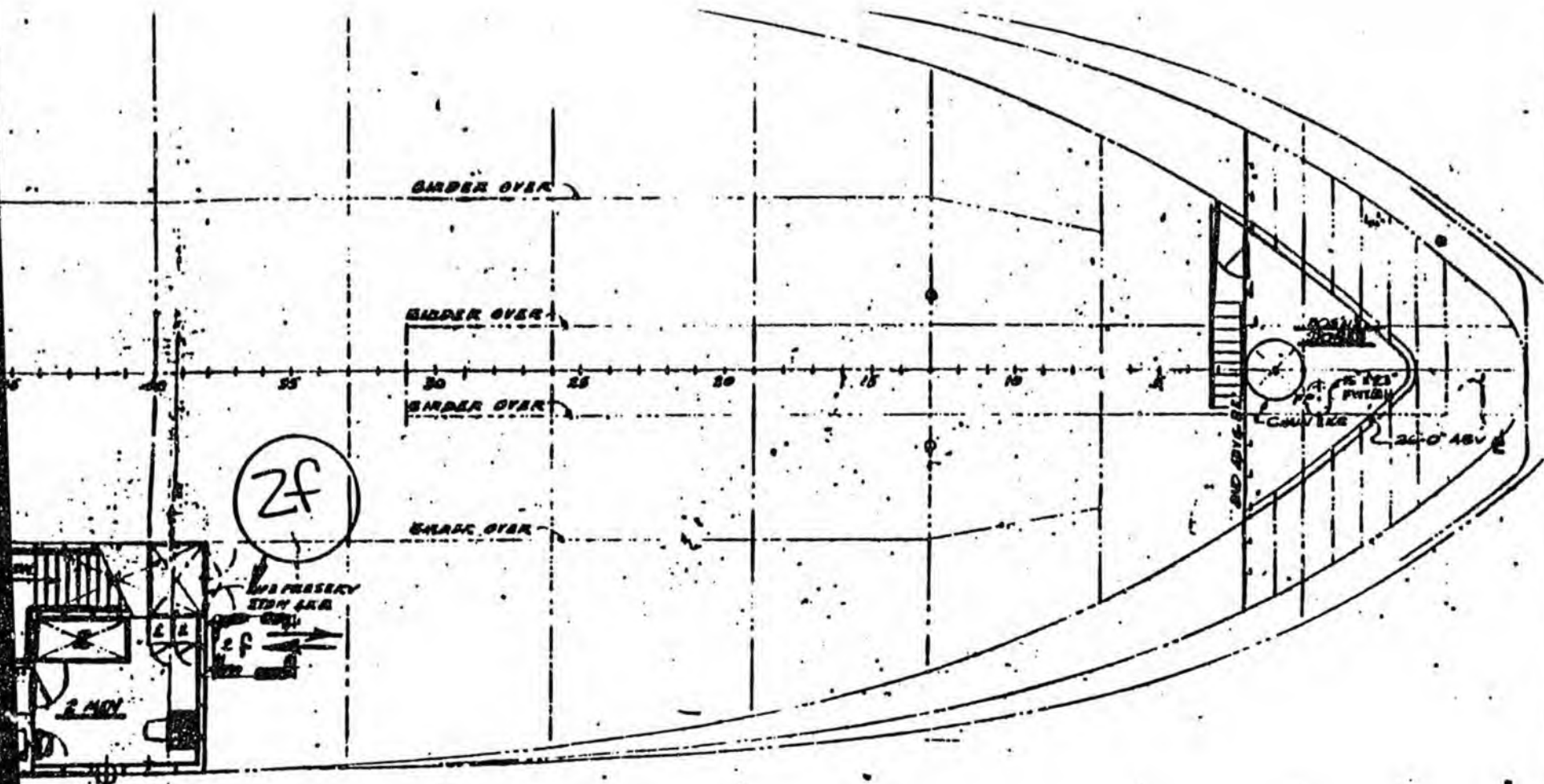
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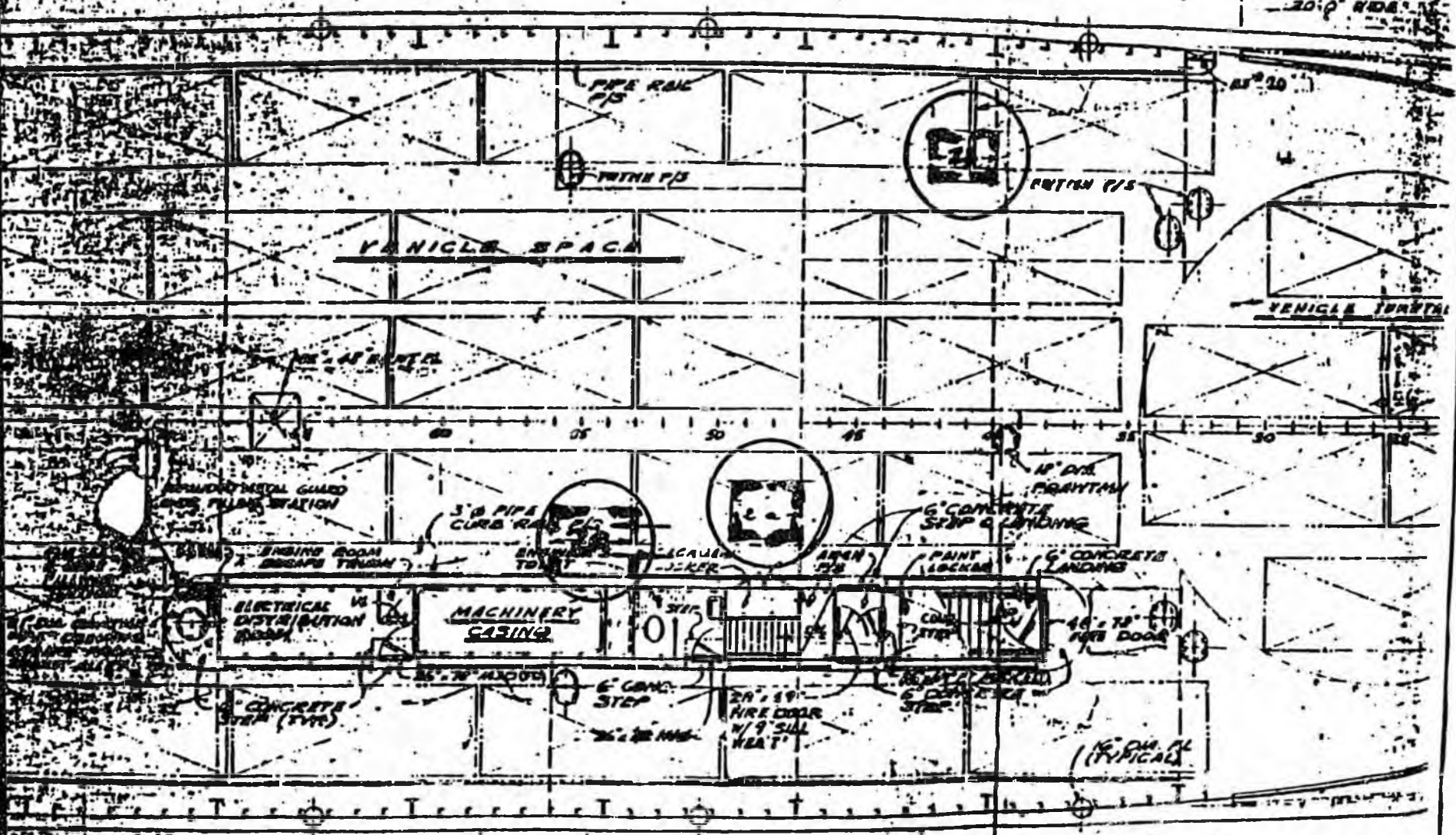
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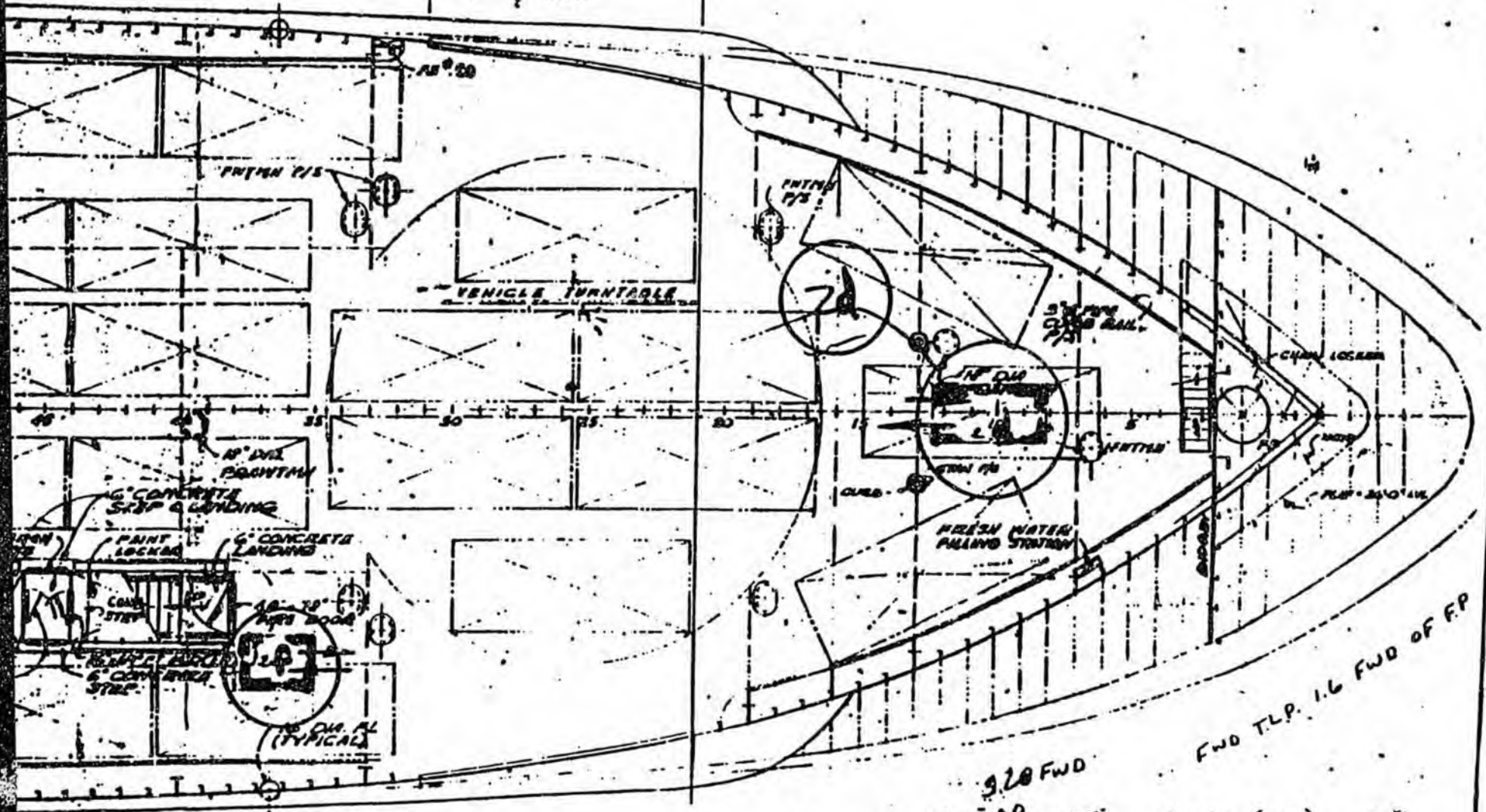
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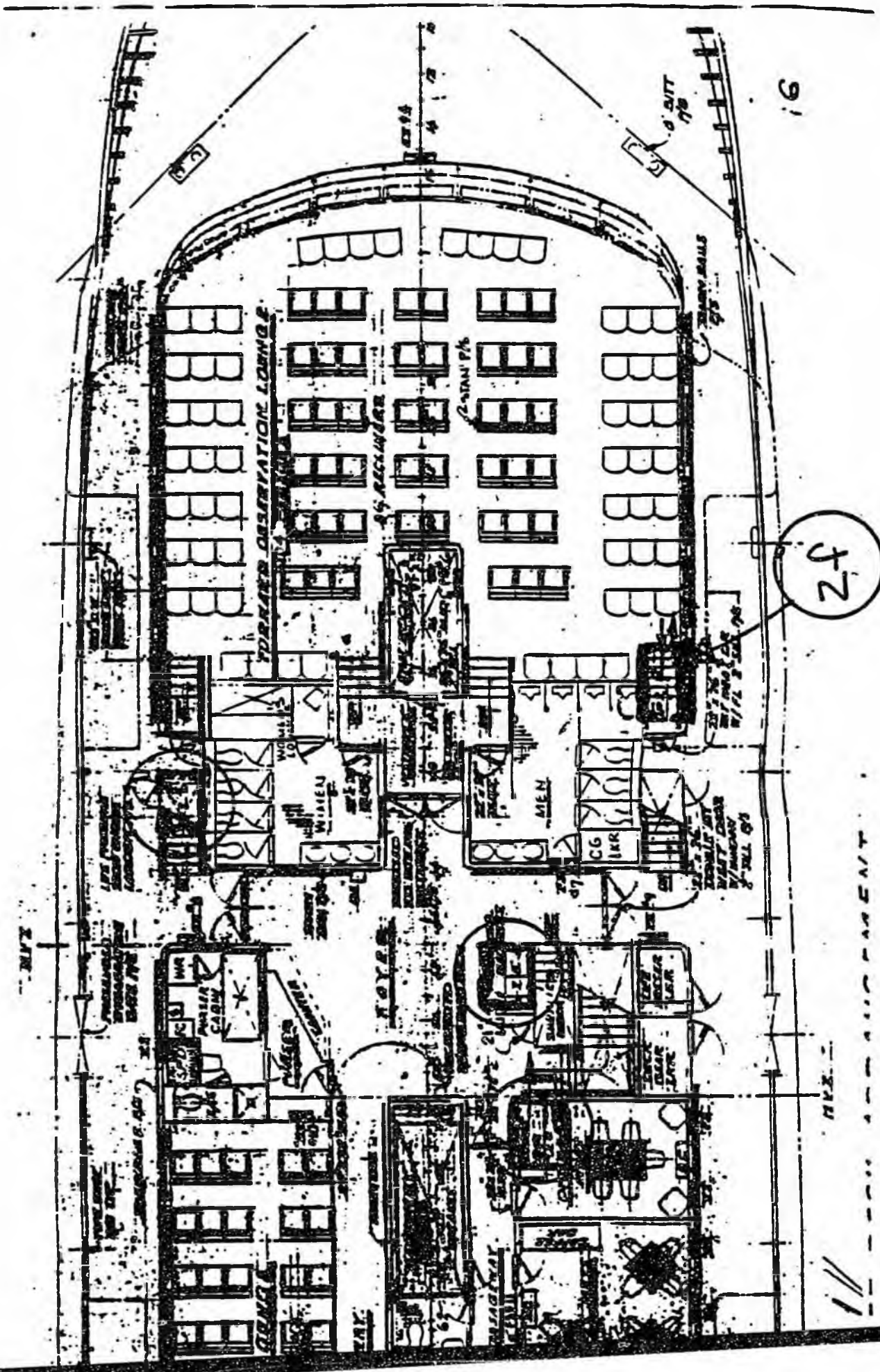
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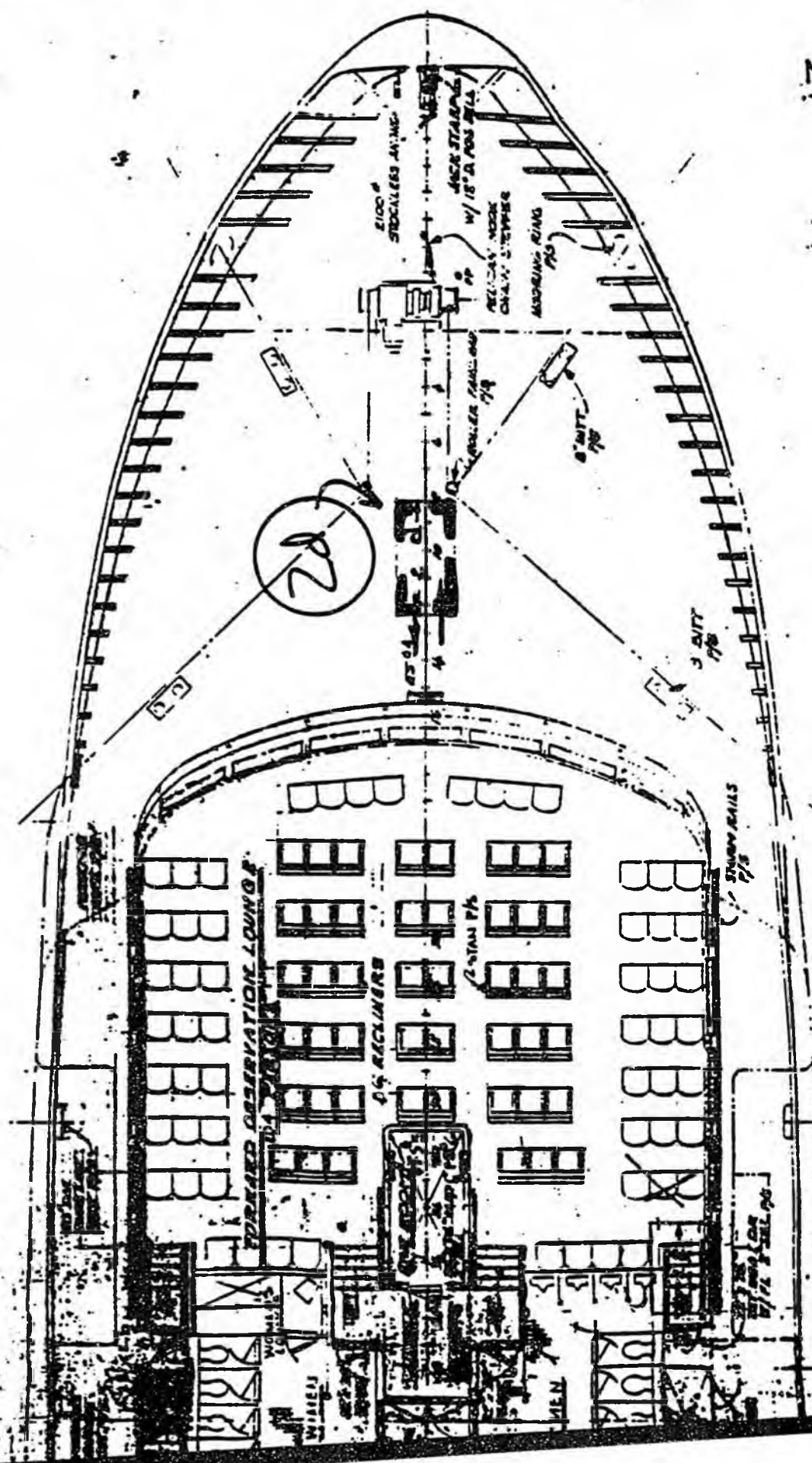
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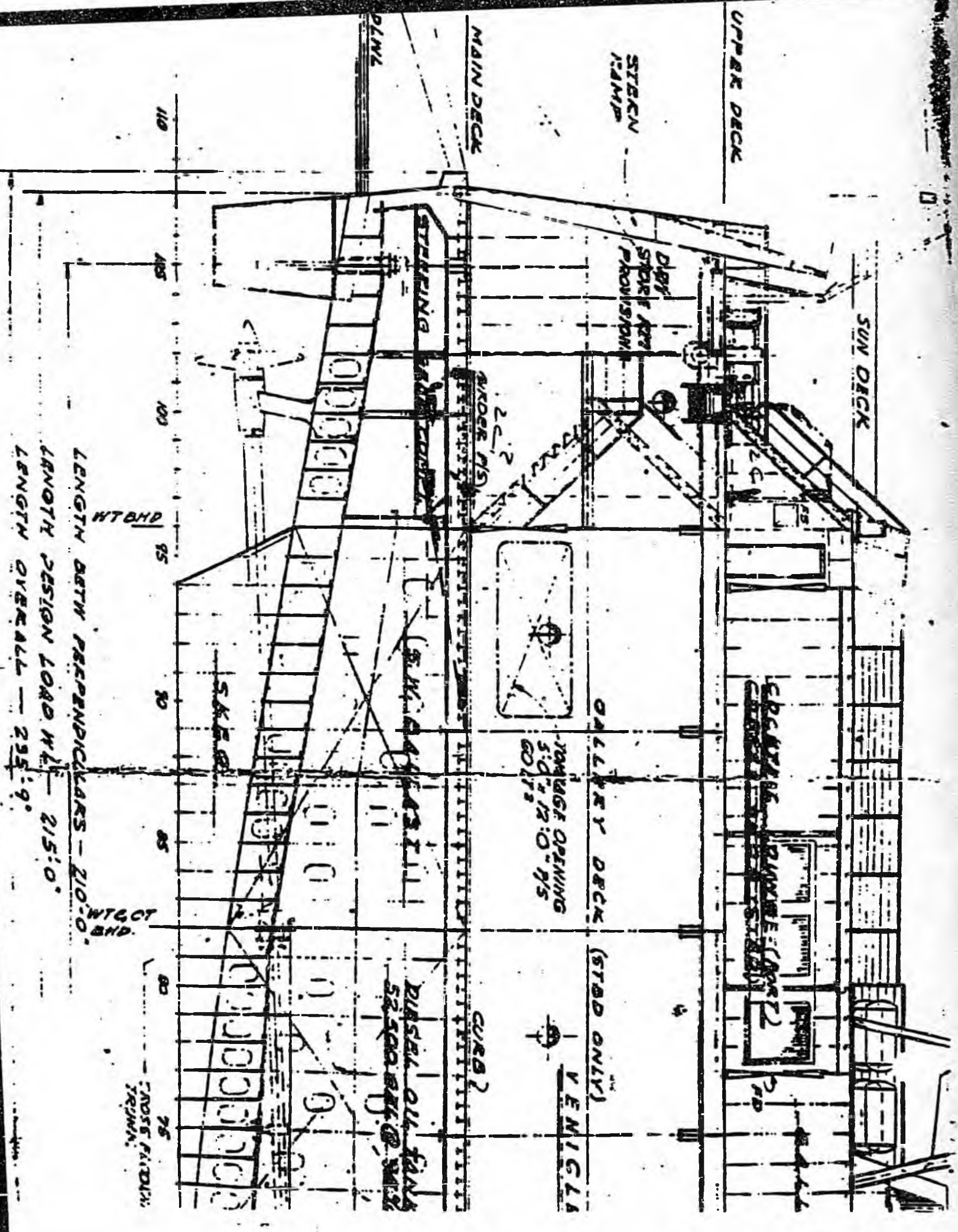
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MAIN DECK

SUN DECK

GALLERY DECK (STBD ONLY)

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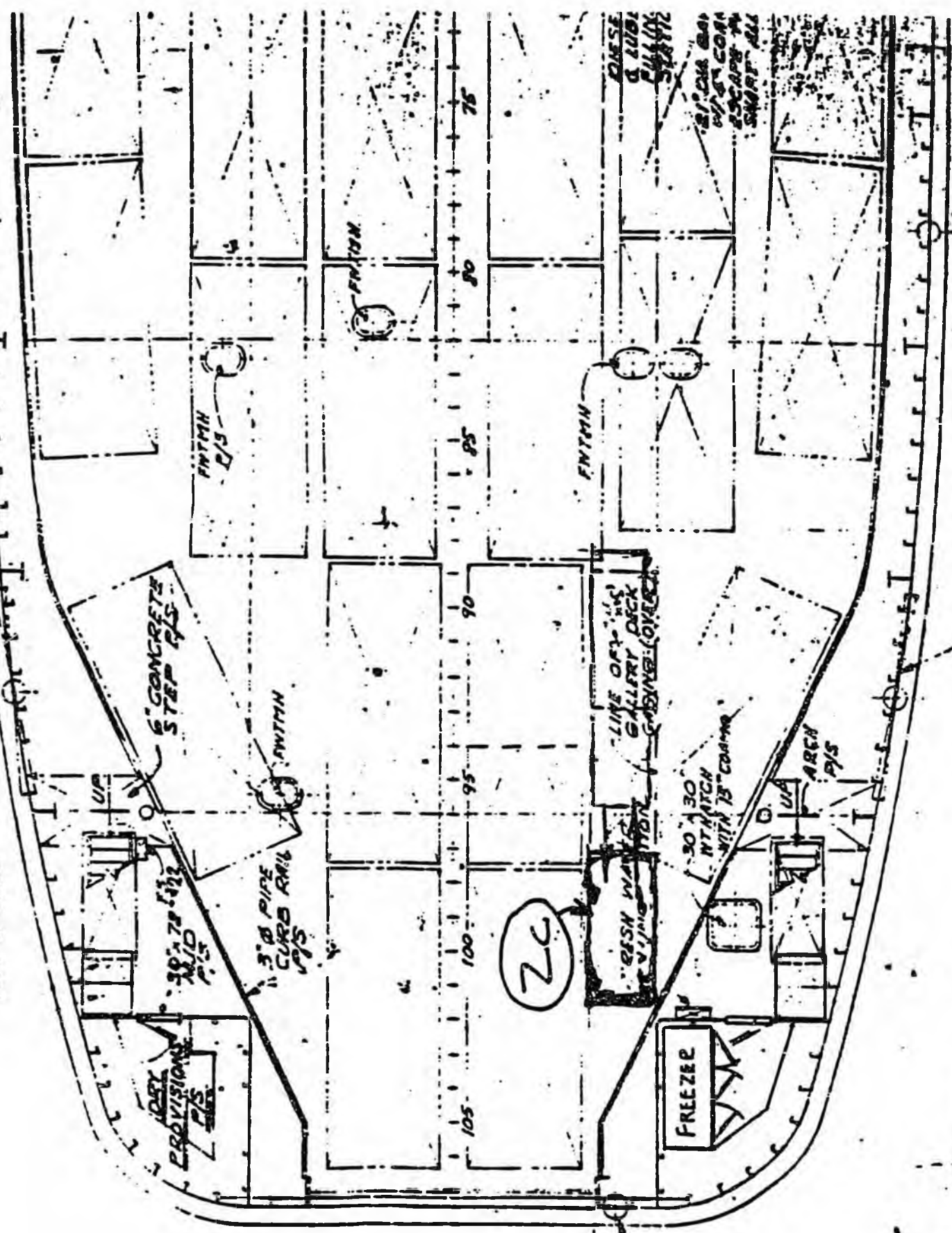
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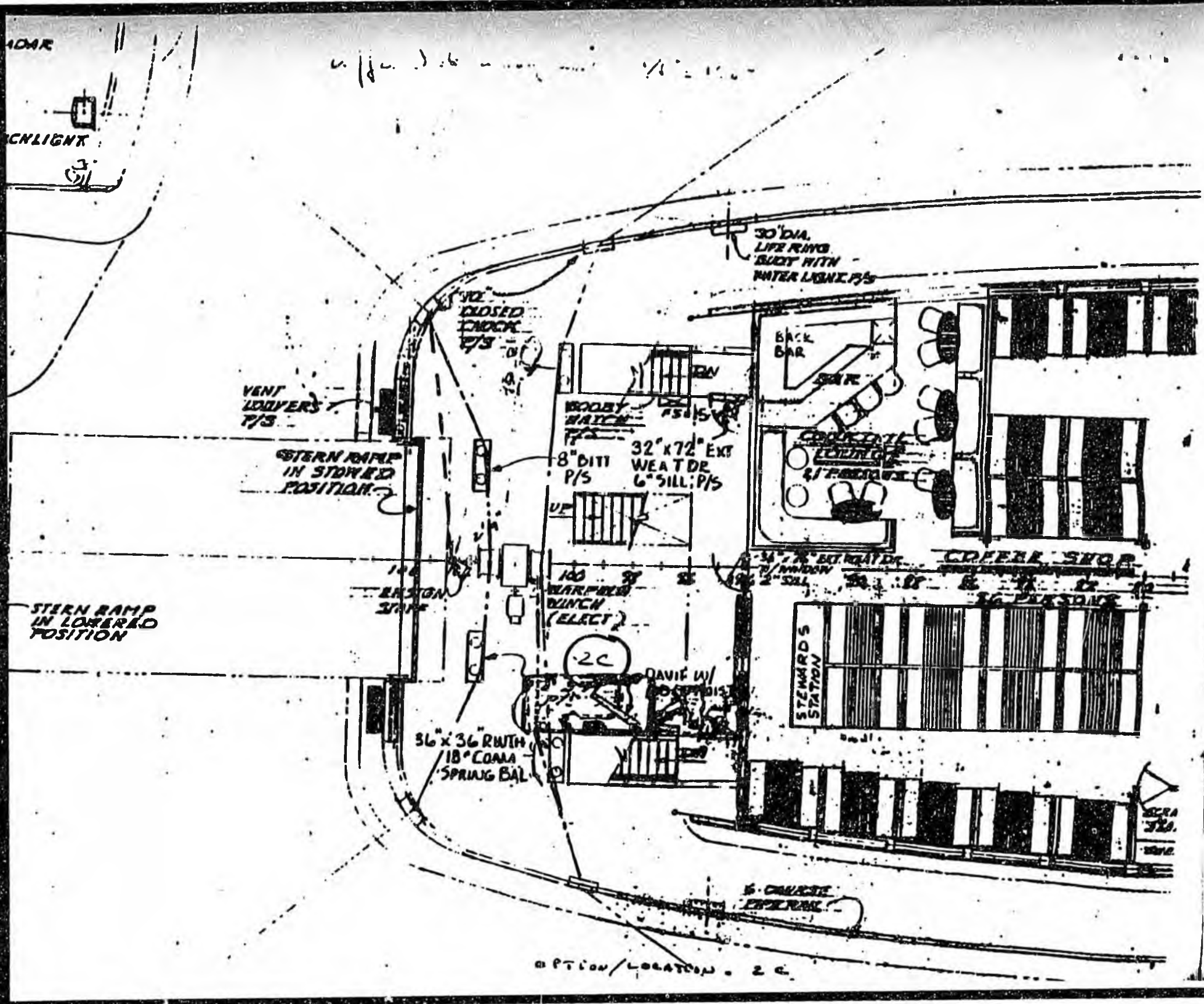
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Senator Dick Eliason  
P.O. Box V  
Juneau, AK 99811

March 11, 1991

Re: Senate Bill 155 - Alaska Marine Highway System

Dear Senator Eliason:

The Alaska Marine Highway System is the main, and in some places the only, highway in Southeast and many parts of Southwest Alaska. It is a vital year-round transportation link between isolated communities. The system's vessels are old and some are in need of refurbishment or replacement. I see that the new budgets do not include any funding for the refurbishment and replacement necessary for long-term continuous service. The ferry system draft plan dated January, 1990, supports as a priority instituting a vessel refurbishment/replacement program.

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank L. Wallace".

Frank L. Wallace  
Mayor  
CITY OF HAINES

FLW/KMP

March 11, 1991  
Senator Eliason  
Re: AMHS  
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cc: Senator Curt Menard

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE SENATE

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TO: Members of the Senate Transportation Committee  
FROM: Senator Dick Eliason *Dick Eliason*  
RE: SB 155 - Making an appropriation to the Marine Highway  
System Vessel Replacement Fund

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SB 155 proposes an appropriation of 45 million dollars to the Marine Highway System Vessel Replacement Fund which was created by the Legislature last session.

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities estimates that it will cost \$29 million to replace one of the small feeder ferries, \$39 million to replace a mid-size ocean-going vessel, and \$102 million to replace a large vessel such as the Columbia. The average age of our fleet is about 23 years. It would cost over \$300 million to replace all of the vessels.

According to the Fleet Conditions Survey, which is to be released in draft form by DOT/PF soon, refurbishing our entire Marine Highway fleet to allow it to operate through the next decade could cost more than \$90 million.

The Marine Highway System provides enormous benefits to the lives of Alaskans themselves, the tourism industry, and the overall economy of the state. Maintaining the physical condition of the fleet is equally important to providing adequate operating funding for the system.

When the Vessel Replacement Fund was established last year, it was anticipated that annual appropriations would be made to the Fund. Governor Cowper's proposed budget for FY 92 did include \$45 million for this purpose. Unfortunately, the subsequent version of the budget proposed by the current administration does not include any funding for the Fund. Thus, the Speaker of the House and I, and a number of co-sponsors, are proposing that the Legislature make the initial appropriation to this very important fund by passage of the measure before you.



*Department of Transportation  
and Public Facilities*

# POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: HB 175 and SB 155

APPROVED: 

TITLE: An Act making an appropriation to the Alaska Marine Highway System Vessel Replacement Fund; and providing for an effective date.

DATE: March 7, 1991

In early 1990, the Alaska Marine Highway System commissioned a survey of the fleet in order to determine the level of investment necessary to maintain the ships in good condition over the next 15 years. The preliminary results show a demand for investment funds in excess of the historical allocation of federal funds. The capitalization of the vessel replacement fund will create an alternative funding source for the fleet, which will allow the Alaska Marine Highway System to continue to meet its mission of providing basic marine transportation to the coastal communities of the state. The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities supports the legislation.

The Alaska Marine Highway System Vessel Replacement Fund was created in 1990 for the purpose of financing the replacement and refurbishment of Alaska Marine Highway System vessels. The Alaska Marine Highway System consists of 8 vessels ranging in age from 14 to 28 years. Each vessel requires periodic refurbishment in order to maintain a safe and adequate level of service. This refurbishment includes all components of the vessels, including hotel and public areas, as well as major mechanical systems. In the last several years, vessel refurbishment projects have been primarily financed with federal highway funds. The system's share of the FHWA funds received by the state has been approximately \$9 million a year.

*For Further Information contact Katy McHugh at 465-3900.*

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES**

**NEWS RELEASE**

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: GINGER JOHNSON, INFORMATION OFFICER (907) 465-3900**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

FERRIES BOOST ECONOMY BY \$142 MILLION ANNUALLY  
#91-598  
February 20, 1991

State ferry operations directly or indirectly add \$142 million annually to Alaska's economy according to findings of a study made public today, Alaska Marine Highway System Director Jim Ayers said.

This results from the state's general fund investment of about \$35 million annually in the AMHS, Ayers said -- "a four-to-one return on the dollar." It grows through the multiplier effect of tourism spending, the impact on local economies of payroll and other system expenditures, and the movement of consumer goods between state supply centers and communities that otherwise would be dependent on direct supply from outside, with resulting "economic leakage" of dollars from Alaska.

The "often unrecognized economic impact of the AMHS on Alaska is an important secondary benefit for Alaskans," Ayers said. Overall, he said, "if the Marine Highway were a private employer, it would rank as the state's seventh largest, about equal in size to the National Bank of Alaska, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, or Alaska Airlines."

In Southeast, he said, it "would rank at the top along with Ketchikan Pulp Company."

In return for the \$35 million investment, Ayers said, the system generates jobs for 915 Alaskans earning \$35 million in pay and benefits valued at nearly \$11 million. Additionally, the system spends \$17 million in Alaska on goods and services and another \$3 million on capital expenditures. "On top of this," Ayers said, "is the \$30 million spent yearly throughout Alaska by non-resident visitors who rely on the system for transportation."

(more)

Visitors traveling by ferry, Ayers said, "account for one of every eight visitor dollars spent in Alaska. Further, AMHS visitors contribute more per person in in-state spending than visitors using any other transportation mode. While the average Alaska visitor spends about \$570 per trip, the average AMHS visitor spends \$950 per trip. The AMHS transports to or from the state one of every twelve Alaska visitors."

During 1990, the ferry system carried over 410,000 passengers and more than 110,000 vehicles, increases of 27 percent and 44 percent respectively over the previous decade-ending volumes of 1980. Over 1989 volumes, the system posted a 6.45 percent gain in passengers (up from 388,501) and a 5.36 percent gain in vehicles (up from 105,536).

Ayers said, "Clearly movement of people and goods in isolated regions of maritime Alaska is the purpose and the primary benefit of the AMHS. But the benefits to Alaska go far beyond these most basic objectives." The system's operation "creates hundreds of additional jobs and accounts for millions of additional payroll dollars in the state's service and support sector."

All regions benefit from the system's operations through payroll and other expenditures, and visitor spending, Ayers said. AMHS visitors spent over \$8 million in Southcentral, over \$5 million in Interior/Northern, nearly \$2 million in the Denali/McKinley area, \$10 million in Southeast, and even \$300,000 in remote Southwest.

The impacts go further yet, Ayers said. "The state's leading economic researchers have estimated that one dollar spent in Alaska indirectly generates about 50 cents more in support-sector spending. This alone adds \$48 million of the \$142 million total."

The economic impact findings that Ayers presented were developed by the McDowell Group, of Juneau, economic and market consultants; the state's 1989-1990 Alaska Visitors Statistics Program, and system traffic and reservations personnel.

(more)

The summarizing highlights:

#### Statewide Impacts

- The AMHS generates jobs for 915 Alaskans who earn \$35 million in annual payroll and \$11 million in benefits.
- AMHS employees reside in 40 different Alaska communities, including 100 employees living in Southcentral communities.
- If the AMHS were a private employer, it would rank as the state's seventh largest.
- The AMHS carried over 400,000 passengers and more than 110,000 vehicles last year.
- The AMHS transports to or from the state one of every twelve Alaska visitors.
- AMHS passengers account for one of every eight visitor dollars spent in Alaska.
- While the typical Alaska visitor in-state spending totals \$570 per trip, the average AMHS visitor spends \$950 per trip while in Alaska, more than the cruise, air or highway visitor.

#### Regional Impacts

- AMHS visitor spending impacts all regions of Alaska including \$10 million in annual spending in Southeast, \$8 million in Southcentral, \$5 million in the Interior/Northern region and over \$2 million elsewhere in Alaska.
- Among Alaska's regional economies, the AMHS is most important in Southeast where 800 shipboard and shoreside workers are employed.
- When compared to Southeast's largest private employers, the AMHS ranks at the top, equal to Ketchikan Pulp Company.
- As a result of the AMHS, the cost of living in rural areas served by the system is significantly reduced, as is economic leakage from the state.
- AMHS operations and capital spending is important in many Alaska communities including Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Valdez, Seward and Kodiak.

### ALASKA'S INVESTMENT IN THE MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

#### Annual Investment

General Fund Expenditure on AMHS

\$35 million

(more)

Annual Return on Investment

Direct Payroll and Benefits for 915 Alaskans	\$46 million
In-State Spending on AMHS Operations	\$17 million
In-State Capital Expenditures	\$3 million
In-State Spending by Non-Resident Passengers (Visitors)	\$30 million
Total Direct Benefits	\$96 million
Indirect Benefits (multiplier effect on Alaska's support sector)	\$48 million
Total Annual Return on Investment	\$142 million

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES**

**NEWS RELEASE**

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: GINGER JOHNSON, INFORMATION OFFICER (907) 465-3900**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**FERRY SYSTEM POSTS GOOD GAINS DURING DECADE**

February 13, 1991

#91-597

**Juneau**--State ferries during 1990 increased passenger traffic more than 25 percent, and vehicle traffic almost 45 percent over 1980 volumes, Alaska Marine Highway System Director Jim Ayers announced today.

The system carried 413,561 passengers, compared to 325,241 in 1980 (up 27 percent), and 111,193 vehicles compared to 77,188 (up 44 percent).

"The gains demonstrate AMHS continues to be a very good investment for the State of Alaska and Alaskans," Ayers said. "The system, in addition to providing transportation to communities and areas not linked by land routes, contributes greatly and integrally to the state's economy and growth and to private-sector activity."

Over 1989 volumes, the system posted a 6.45 percent gain in passengers (up from 388,501) and a 5.36 gain in vehicles (up from 105,536).

"June, July, and August," Ayers said, "once again experienced the highest traffic volumes for the year."

Greatest passenger increases were in Valdez (39.87 percent), Pelican (33.40 percent), and Whittier (31.79 percent). Greatest vehicle increases were in Cold Bay (150 percent), Sand Point (115 percent), Whittier (32.01 percent), and Valdez (28.38 percent).

(more)

Except where temporary vessel limitations and/or peculiarities in traffic flow come into play, Ayers said, all ferry system ports of call posted volume gains.

On the Southwest route, a replacement vessel for the M/V Tustumena, undergoing refurbishment until June, has lesser capabilities both for passenger and vehicle accommodation. And while traffic counts were down for Prince Rupert and Hyder/Stewart, Ayers said, "These were counterbalanced by increased embarkations for both Skagway and Haines."

Ayers said the "dramatic increases for Valdez and Whittier as well as Cordova's 13.71 increase in passengers and 3.21 increase in vehicle traffic shows a positive rebound after a major decline in 1989 following the oil spill."

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# City and Borough of Sitka

304 LAKE STREET . SITKA, ALASKA . 99835

The Honorable Walter Hickel  
Office of the Governor  
P O Box A  
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0101

February 28, 1990

**Re: Vessel Replacement Fund for the Alaska Marine Highway System.**

Dear Governor Hickel:

The Alaska Marine Highway System is critical to Southeast/Coastal Alaskans for basic transportation, economic development and regional interaction. State funding for the system has decreased over the past five years resulting in steadily diminished levels of service to Southeast Alaska.

The City and Borough of Sitka and the Southeast Conference urges the regular commitment of funds to the Vessel Replacement Fund created by the last legislature, which, accumulated over a period of years, will cover capital costs to rebuild or construct new equipment and facilities for the Marine Highway system.

Your second capital budget for FY92, to be introduced in March, is the opportunity to accomplish what you said you'd do when you visited Sitka last fall: "invest in Southeast's economy by putting resources in to rebuilding our aging fleet of ferries."

We call upon your support.

Sincerely,

*DK*  
Dan Keck, Mayor  
City and Borough of Sitka

cc: Assembly  
Southeast Conference  
Frank Turpin, Commissioner DOTPF  
Lloyd Jones  
Senator Richard 'Dick' Eliason  
Representative Ben Grussendorf

**Haines Chamber of Commerce  
Post Office Box 518  
Haines, Alaska 99827**

February 26, 1991

Honorable Walter J. Hickel  
Governor of Alaska  
Office of the Governor  
P. O. Box A  
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0101

Re: Vessel Replacement Funding  
Alaska Marine Highway System

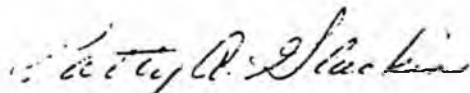
Dear Governor Hickel:

On behalf of the Haines Chamber of Commerce, I urge you to include in your FY92 Capital Budget adequate funds for vessel replacement to the Alaska Marine Highway System. This is an important capital project for all of us who depend on the ferry system.

There can be no doubt as to the importance of the ferry system to the economies of Southeast and Southwest Alaska. The maintenance needs of the aging fleet are well-documented in the Alaska Marine Highway System Plan, as are the growth needs of existing ports of call and demands for expansion of the system.

The enabling legislation is in place. Vessel replacement will be a popular and practical investment in our future.

Sincerely,



Patty A. Glackin  
President

PG/as

cc: Rep. Fran Ulmer ✓



ALASKA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

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February 26, 1991

The Honorable Walter Hickel  
Governor  
State of Alaska  
P.O. Box A  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Governor Hickel,

This is to express my strong support for an appropriation of at least \$45 million in 1991 to the Alaska Marine Highway System vessel replacement fund.

The Marine Highway System is vital to all of Alaska, not just Southeast Alaska. It's fleet is aging rapidly. An opportunity exists now to put aside some of the windfall revenues coming to the State, in a manner which will spread some of the benefits over many years of service to all Alaskans.

Thank you for considering this very important appropriation.

Very truly yours,

James S. Webb  
President

BCC: REPRESENTATIVE  
FRAN ULMER



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Frank L. Wallace

Mayor

CITY OF HAINES

FLW/SVJ



# Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 497  
Craig, Alaska 99921  
907-826-3870

February 26, 1990

Honorable Walter Hickel  
Governor, State of Alaska  
P. O. Box A  
Juneau, Ak 99811

Dear Governor,

The Citizens of Prince of Wales Island are heavily dependent on the Marine Transportation System. It transports our food and most other products necessary to our well-being. We also depend heavily on it for individual transportation to professional services (medical, hospital, dental, legal and etc) that are not available to us on the Island. We ship most of the seafood harvested here on the West Coast via the ferry system.

The population of Prince of Wales is now over 7000 year-around with near double of that during the "working season" March to October. We have 5 major communities besides numerous logging camps and small unorganized settlements. We have become very dependent on the ferries to connect us to the services that we need.

You indicated earlier that you wanted to put the State's resources to work by upgrading our aging fleet of ferries and establishing a vessel replacement fund. In your recently submitted budgets you included only \$4 million of the \$7 million that is needed to meet the Division's need for FY 91 and you didn't mention the vessel replacement fund.

We found this alarming considering the condition of the vessels and the 2 day a week schedule that we are struggling with this winter.

The Marine Highway is desperately needed to support the present economy and to provide part of the infrastructure needed if we are to maintain and improve the economy of all of the State, not just Southeast Alaska. We felt you understood how important this Marine link was. Southeastern is not the only one who benefits from this Highway - the entire State does. \$8.4 million of the revenue going into Southcentral is directly attributed to the ferry system.



# Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 497  
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907-826-3870

When you were Governor before, you had the foresight to realize the importance of this transportation link and contributed much to its development. We were expecting the same commitment based on your earlier comments.

It is a State Highway and we urge you to include the funding needed to maintain and upgrade it when you do your next capital budget for Fy 92.

Respectfully,

*Barbara H Permenter*

Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce  
Barbara Permenter, President

*cc Frank Turpin, Commissioner  
DOTFF  
Jim Ayres, Director Marine Transportation*

City of Tenakee Springs

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RESOLUTION 91-13

In the Council  
February 28, 1991

Introduced by the  
Council President

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT FUNDING  
FOR VESSEL REPLACEMENT FOR THE ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM  
BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1992

- WHEREAS, money for vessel replacement in the Alaska Marine Highway System has not been included in the capital or supplemental budget bills;
- WHEREAS, the City of Tenakee Springs relies on the Alaska Marine Highway for all transportation needs;
- WHEREAS, maintaining the present fleet is only a part of preserving an ongoing Alaska Marine Highway System; and
- WHEREAS, vessel replacement is a necessary part of an Alaska Marine Highway System that will be responsive to basic transportation needs of many Alaskans and of visitors to Alaska;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Tenakee Springs, Alaska to urge that funds for vessel replacement in the Alaska Marine Highway System be included in the appropriate budget bill this fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to direct the city clerk to forward Resolution 91-13 to Governor Hickle, Commissioner Turpin, and Legislators Ulmer, Eliason and Grussendorf.

ADOPTED 5 AYES, 2 ABSENT THIS 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1991



*Ruth M. Borger*

Ruth M. Borger, Vice-Mayor  
Acting Council President  
ex officio MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Janice J. Eagle*

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City Clerk

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FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date:  
Title: Ferries with Oil Spill Response Ability

Department Affected: DOT&PF  
BRU:

Sponsor:  
Requestor:

Component:  
Component Serial Number:

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95	FY96	FY97
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL OPERATING:</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	500.0	14,500.0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	500.0	14,500.0*	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL FUNDING:</b>	500.0	14,500.0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year impact: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

In FY92, \$0.5 million would be appropriated from the oil and hazardous response fund to the Alaska Marine Highway System for preliminary engineering to develop plans for both a new vessel and modifications to one or more vessels currently in the fleet. In FY93, \$14.5 million would be appropriated to the AMHS Vessel Replacement Fund to finance new ship construction and/or modifications to one or more vessels of the fleet.

\*The actual cost may be less depending on final results of reconnaissance and engineering.

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Date: April 1, 1991

Approved by Commissioner: 

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Frank G. Forpin

Agency: Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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*Department of Transportation  
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# POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: SB 165

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in cursive, appearing to read "J. D. Duggin", written over a horizontal line.

TITLE: Ferries with Oil Spill Response Ability DATE: April 1, 1991

Senate Bill 165 authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, subject to legislative appropriation, to either design and construct a vessel of the Alaska Marine Highway System which is capable of assisting in the clean-up of spills of oil and hazardous substances into the marine waters of the state. Alternatively, the legislation would also allow the modification of existing vessels in the fleet to achieve the same purpose. The discussion below outlines in general terms the operational and spill response capabilities which would be considered in designing a new vessel, or modifying existing vessels, which would meet the needs contemplated in the legislation.

The legislation also authorizes the payment of partial expenses required to keep vessels in operation so as to be available to respond to a release of oil or hazardous substances. It is estimated that the annual operating and overhaul costs of this vessel, chargeable to the fund, would be approximately \$500 thousand dollars. These expenses would be for annual training, as well as overhaul of the spill response equipment. The direct expenses incurred in responding to a spill would also be paid by the fund. A new or modified vessel is not expected to be in service until after fiscal year 1997.

## General Requirements

All Alaska Marine Highway System vessels must have unrestricted highway vehicle and passenger carrying capacity - as the highway function is the basic mission of the Alaska Marine Highway System. The vessel must provide safe, comfortable accommodations for passengers,