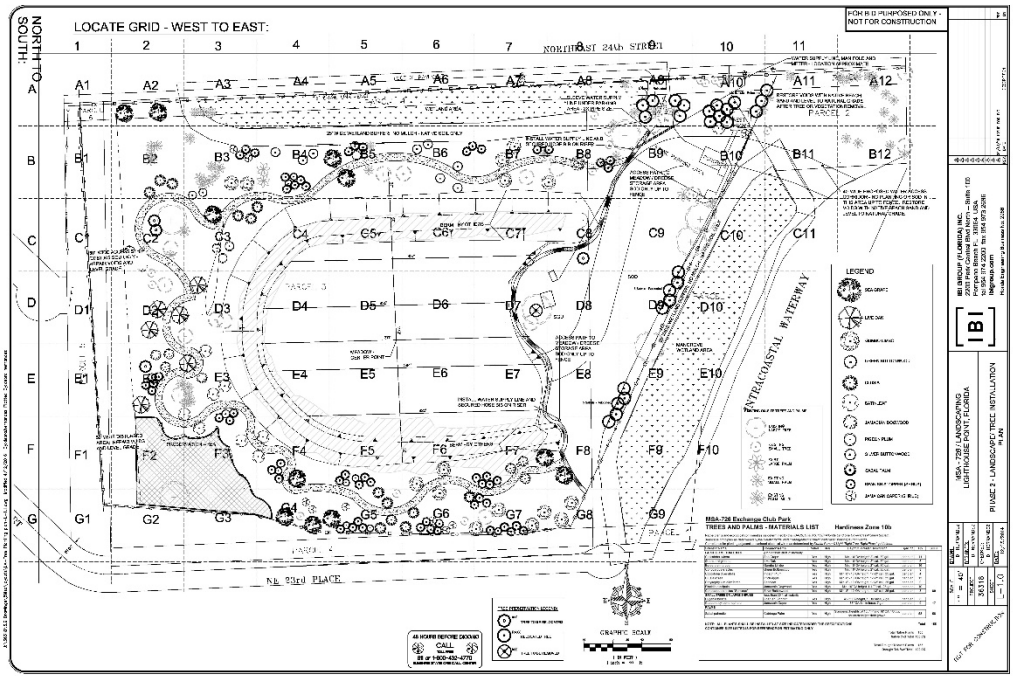
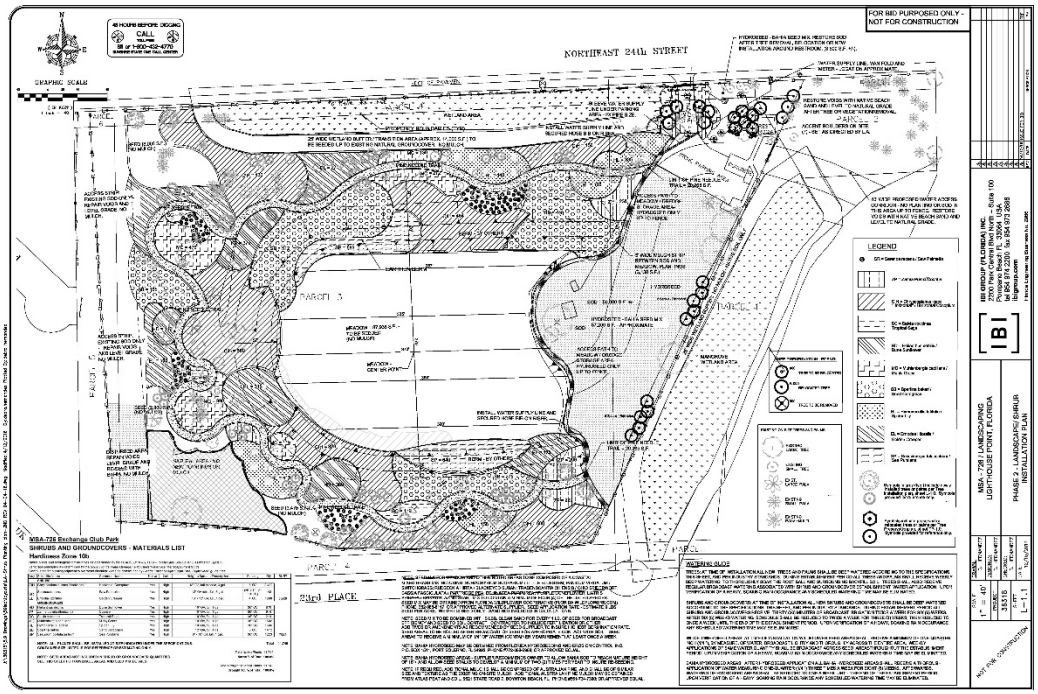
Dredge Material Management Area: MSA-726 Native Vegetation Buffer Planting Project (Phase 2)

The Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) is completing the project to prepare its permanent, long-range dredged material management area, MSA-726 (a.k.a. Exchange Club Park) located at 2800 NE 24 Street, for future Intracoastal Waterway dredge projects. The phase 2 landscaping project is currently out to bid. Bids should be received and approved by the end of May, with the landscaping contract to begin shortly after.

As part of the project phase, a native tree, shrub and ground cover buffer will be planted around the north, west and south perimeter of the property. The center of the property has been regraded to create a flat open working area for the management of equipment and dredge material. In between dredging projects this area will be seeded with native wildflowers to provide natural, native habitat.



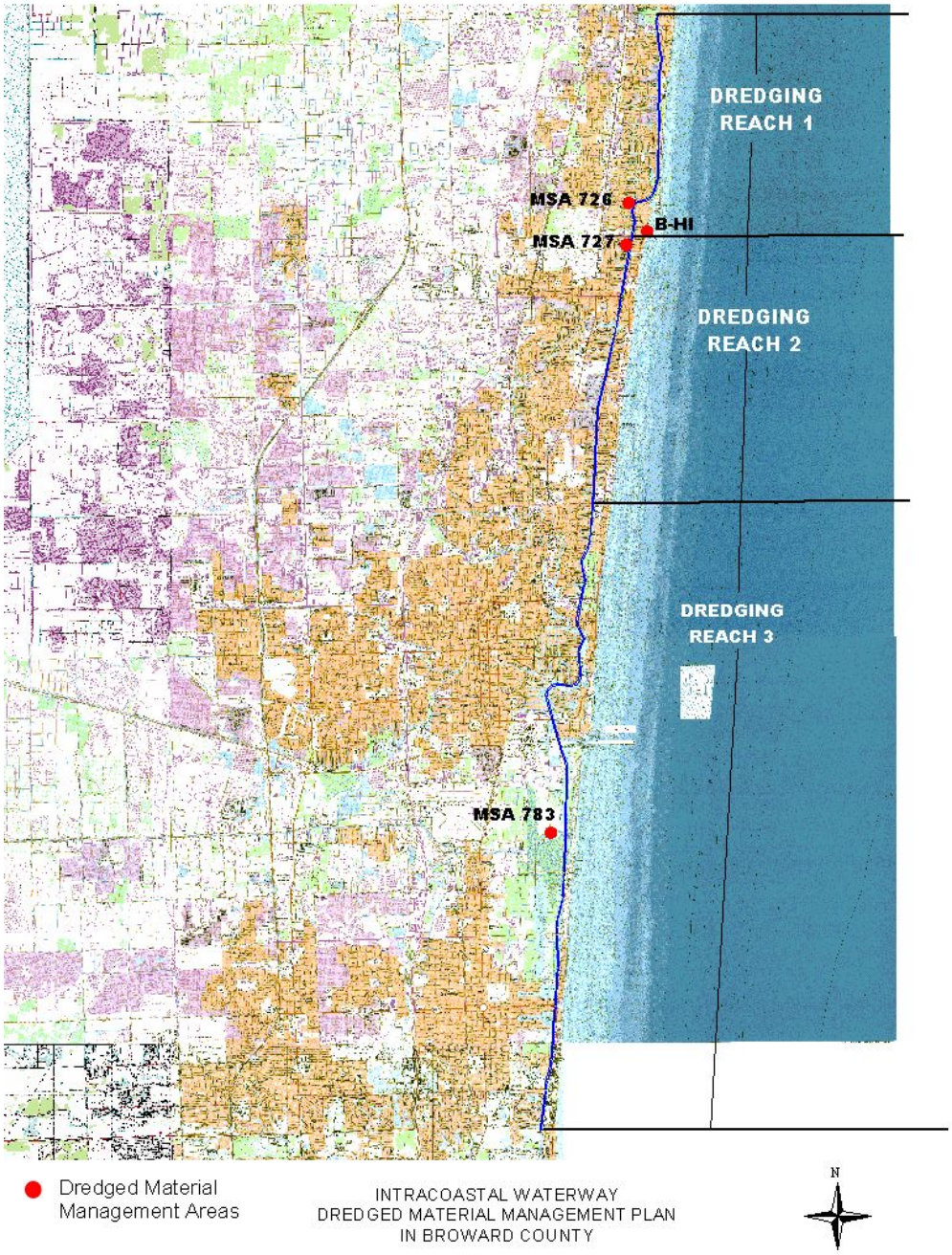
While under construction, the property will be closed to the public for the duration of the project, which is estimated to last until the early Fall 2016 (dependent on landscape grow in period). There will be no access from land or water. Notification signs will be posted near the water's edge and at the entrance of the site prohibiting public access on the construction site.



Please keep in mind the main purpose of this property is to function as a dredge material management area. Secondary benefits, as mutually agreed upon by FIND, the City of Pompano Beach and the City of Lighthouse Point, is for the property to be leased to the City of Pompano for the use as a water-access park and open space.

Full bid and contract specifications can be found on the District's webpage:
http://aicw.org/bids.jhtml?method=listBySubCat_id&bids.subcat_id=40

Dredged Material Management Areas in Broward County

FIND owns three upland Dredged Material Management Areas (DMMA's) within Broward's 25 miles of Intracoastal Waterway as part of its permanent, long-range dredged material management plan. MSA-726 was purchase as three (3) separate parcels in 1936, 1942 and 1954. FIND has leases this property previously to Hillsboro Improvement and Maintenance District for its use during inlet dredging operations. FIND has a current lease agreement (through August 2016) with the City of Pompano Beach in cooperation with the City of Lighthouse Point for recreational purposes.

FIND will be working this the US Army Corps of Engineers to dredge existing shoals within Broward Reach 1 of the Intercoastal Waterway. This project is expected to take place at some point in 2017. Beach compatible sand will be placed oceanside and the remaining material may be processed and handled at FIND's MSA-726. MSA-726 may also be used to stage equipment as necessary for the dredging project.