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Dear Mr. *James* Tabor:

The Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) has reviewed your May 23, 1990 request to expand the coastal zone boundary to include FDR Park and to designate the Dickson Tavern and FDR Park as Geographic Areas of Particular Concern (GAPC) as routine program implementation of the Pennsylvania Coastal Zone Management Program (PCZMP).

We concur with your finding that the changes constitute routine program implementation and should be incorporated into the PCZMP pursuant to 15 CFR §923.84. Federal consistency will apply when public notice of our approval is published.

Sincerely,

Timothy R.E. Keeney
Director



RPI V

PROPOSED ROUTINE PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION CHANGES TO PENNSYLVANIA'S COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Introduction

From time to time, changes to Pennsylvania's Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program need to be made. To assure that these changes are in keeping with the state's CZM Program and the national CZM objectives and policies, federal regulations require the changes be submitted for federal review and concurrence before they are officially incorporated into the state's program. The regulations also require that notice of these changes be provided to all affected parties. Accordingly, this notice summarizes the CZM proposed changes for 1989.

The proposed changes are essentially clarifications and improvements, and do not substantially alter the Program's boundary, basic policies, criteria, or uses subject to management. Therefore, in accordance with the federal regulations, 15 CFR 923, we have determined that they are Routine Program Implementation (RPI) actions, and are submitting them to the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, for concurrence and incorporation into Pennsylvania's approved CZM Program.

Proposed Changes

The following are proposed RPI changes to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Coastal Zone Management Program and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). These changes concern Geographic Areas of Particular Concern (GAPC) contained in Chapter 3, and involve the additions of the Dickson Tavern and Franklin Delano Roosevelt (FDR) Park as GAPCs.

For a clearer comparison, the original statement of the FEIS is presented first, followed by a revised statement. All changes contained in the revised statement appear in **bold face print**. The RPI contains justification for the changes and analysis of the impact the changes would have on Pennsylvania's CZM Program.

The following changes apply to the Pennsylvania CZM Program's FEIS (August 1980); GAPC, Part II, Chapter 3, Special Management Concerns.

Pages II-3-8 to II-3-12; Revisions to the Inventory of GAPC

Lake Erie Coastal Zone, Erie County, Central Study Area GAPC, Page II-3-11

Section on Recreational, Cultural, and Historic Value Areas originally read:

Identification Number	Recreational, Cultural, Historic Value Areas	Approximate Size (acres)
R-5	Scott Park, Sommerheim Park	108
*R-6	Presque Isle State Park	3,250

With the change, this section will now read:

Identification Number	Recreational, Cultural, Historic Value Areas	Approximate Size (acres)
R-5	Scott Park, Sommerheim Park	108
*R-6	Presque Isle State Park	3,250
R-10	Dickson Tavern	.132

Note: GAPCs appearing with an asterick (*) denote state ownership.

The Dickson Tavern is located in the city of Erie, Erie County and has been nominated as a new recreational, cultural, historic GAPC. The Tavern is situated on a 3,300 square foot parcel of land at the southeast corner of East Second and French Streets (see Appendix A). This city owned structure, which is presently in a state of disrepair, is the oldest known building in the city of Erie. It has recently been nominated for consideration for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. By designating the Dickson Tavern as a recreational, historical, cultural GAPC, CZM funds can be used to help preserve and restore this historic structure. Restoration activities would be conducted in accordance with the CZM funded report entitled "Feasibility Study for the Restoration and Reuse of the Dickson Tavern" completed in September 1989. The addition of the Dickson Tavern as a recreational, historical, cultural GAPC is in conformance with the Historic Preservation and Recreational Access Policies of Pennsylvania's CZM Program.

Therefore, the addition of this GAPC is a minor change to Pennsylvania's approved CZM Program, and is consistent with the state's CZM Program and national CZM objectives and policies.

Delaware Estuary Coastal Zone, Philadelphia County GAPC, Page II-3-9

Section on Recreational, Cultural, and Historic Value Areas originally read:

Identification Number	Recreational, Cultural, Historic Value Areas	Approximate Size (acres)
R-6	Fort Mifflin	25
R-7	Schuylkill River Park	50
R-8	Penn Treaty Park	2
R-9	Mouth of Pennypack Creek	180
R-10	Pleasant Hill Park	27

With the change, this section will now read:

Identification Number	Recreational, Cultural, Historic Value Areas	Approximate Size (acres)
R-6	Fort Mifflin	25
R-7	Schuylkill River Park	50
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R-9	Mouth of Pennypack Creek	180
R-10	Pleasant Hill Park	27
R-14	Franklin Delano Roosevelt Park	330

FDR Park located in the city of Philadelphia has been nominated as a new recreational, cultural, historic GAPC. FDR Park is a 330 acre multipurpose park located north of the Philadelphia Naval Base (and I-95), south of Pattison Avenue, west of Broad Street and east of Sheaf Lane Apartments (See Appendix B). It has been owned and operated by the Fairmount Park Commission since 1929.

The park was originally designed in 1914 by world famous Frederick Law Olmstead, Jr. and remains a true example of a park designed with natural English landscape in mind. The park contains Bellaire, the country home of Samuel Preston, Mayor of Philadelphia from 1711-1714 and Provincial Treasurer of Pennsylvania from 1714-1743. The elegant red brick house is of such historic and architectural importance, that the Philadelphia Historical Commission has placed it on their list of historical buildings in Philadelphia. Nomination for national registration has been initiated. The park also contains the American-Swedish Museum built at the Sesquicentennial.

FDR Park provides the widest range of active recreation facilities in one concentrated area of any of the parks in the Fairmount System. Major uses and activities include golf, tennis, track, baseball, football, boating, swimming, fishing, totlot playing, bicycling, jogging, and picnicking.

Future development of FDR Park involves the expansion of fishing and boating activities of the principal lakes, irrigation and stormwater management of the golf course, and the security of the park and its protection from spillover parking during events at Veterans Stadium and the Spectrum. By designating FDR Park as a recreational, historical, cultural GAPC, CZM funds could be used to enhance the only park in South Philadelphia.

The addition of FDR Park as a recreational, historical, cultural GAPC is in conformance with the Historic Preservation and Recreational Access Policies of Pennsylvania's CZM Program.

Concurrent with the nomination of FDR Park as a GAPC is the associated CZM boundary change. During the early development of the Pennsylvania CZM Program, FDR Park was originally included in the Coastal Zone Preliminary Study Boundary. However, when the final boundary was delineated in this area, convenient manmade features such as railroad tracks and major highways were used. Consequently, FDR Park was not included in the Delaware Estuary Coastal Zone. The proposed minor boundary change which was approved and submitted by the Delaware Estuary Coastal Zone Steering Committee (CZSC), would move the Final Coastal Zone Boundary northward so that FDR Park would be located in the Delaware Estuary

Coastal Zone (see Appendix B). The Delaware Estuary CZSC believes that due to this unique resource in South Philadelphia -- no other park exists -- and its potential for further development, FDR Park deserves designation as a GAPC as well as inclusion into the coastal zone. The boundary changes will mean the addition of 330 acres of a recreational, historical and culturally significant area to Pennsylvania's coastal zone.

Therefore, the addition of this GAPC and resultant boundary change are minor changes to Pennsylvania's approved CZM Program, and are consistent with the state's CZM Program and national CZM objectives and policies.

APPENDICES

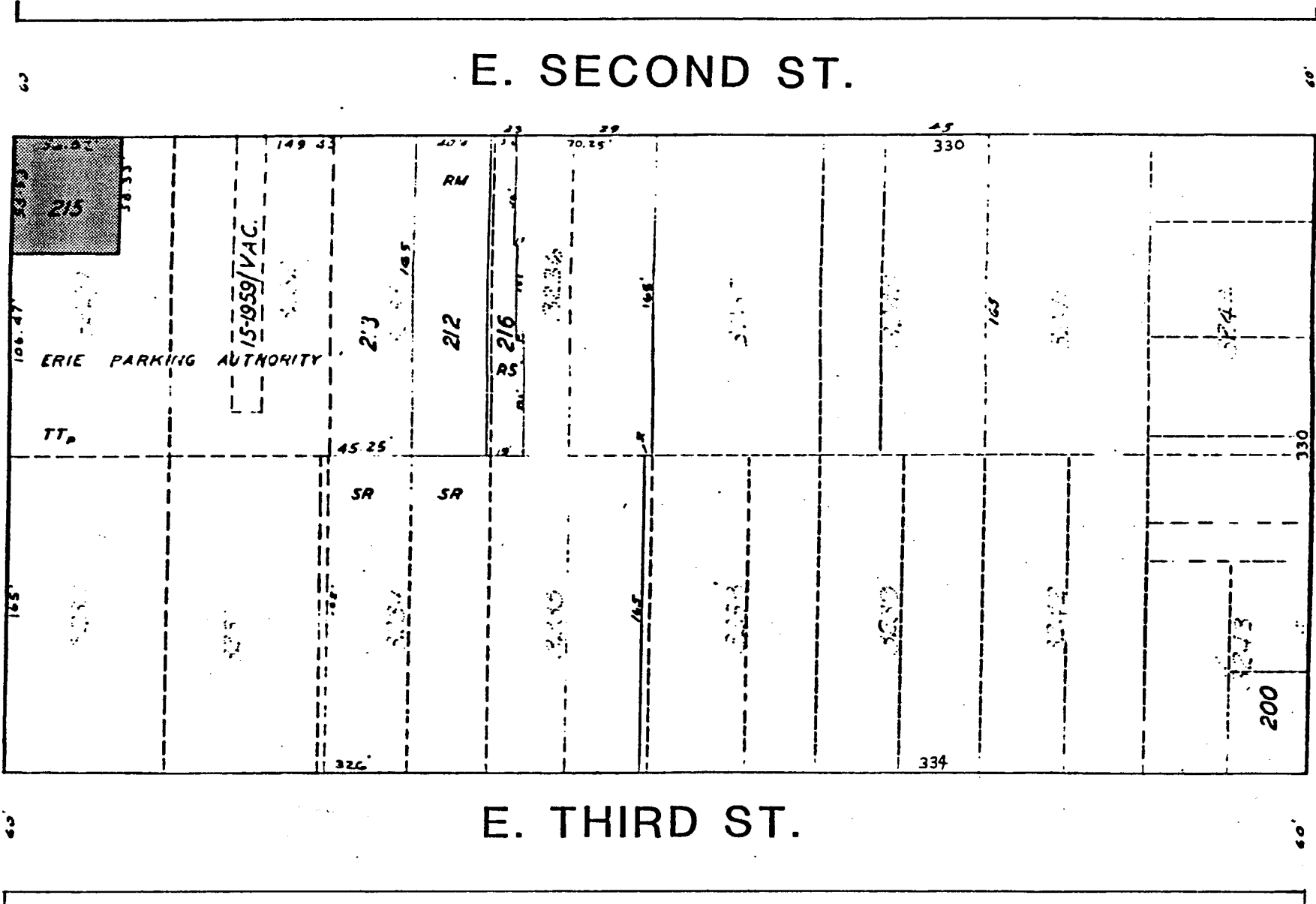
DICKSON TAVERN LOCATION MAP

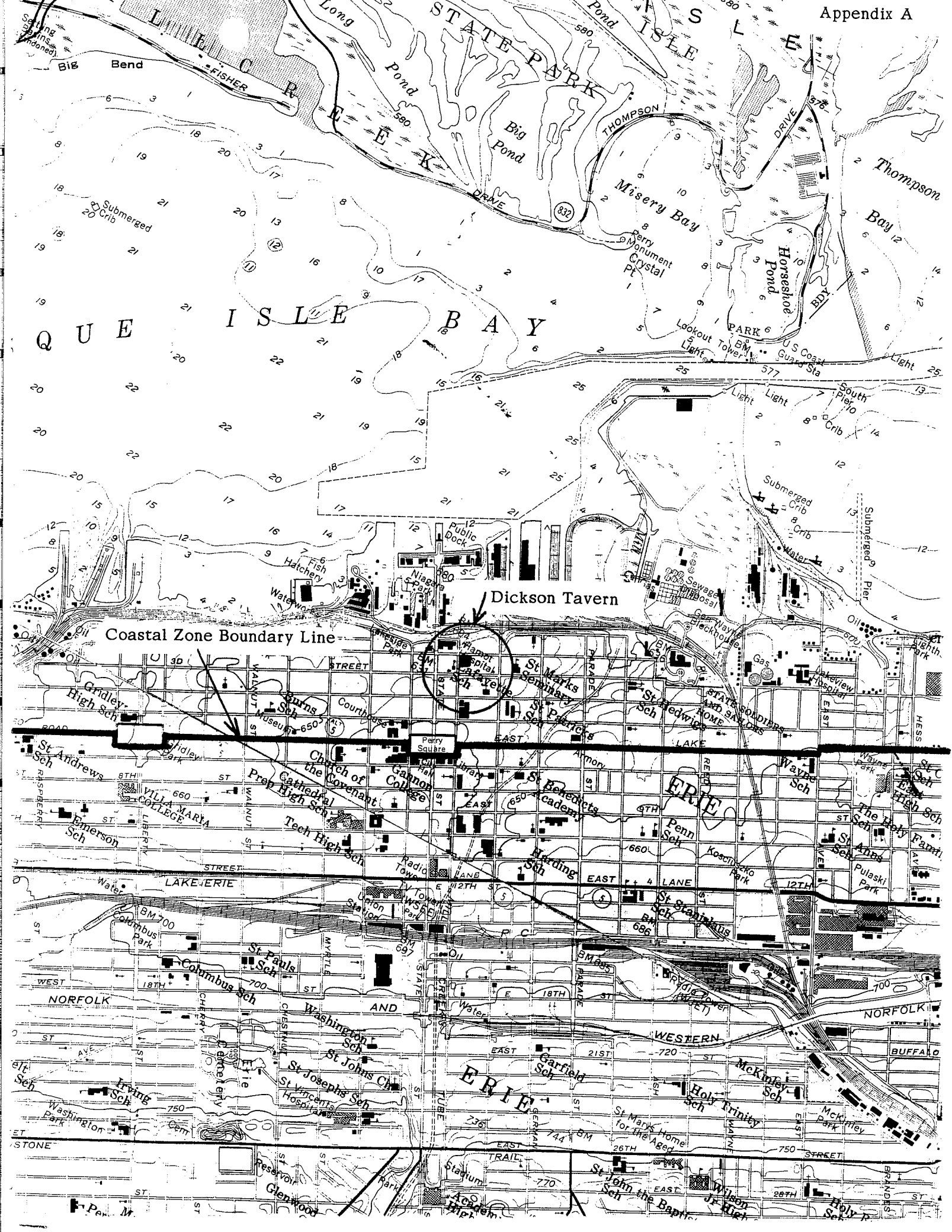
 PROPOSED GAPC

Appendix A

FRENCH STREET

HOLLAND STREET



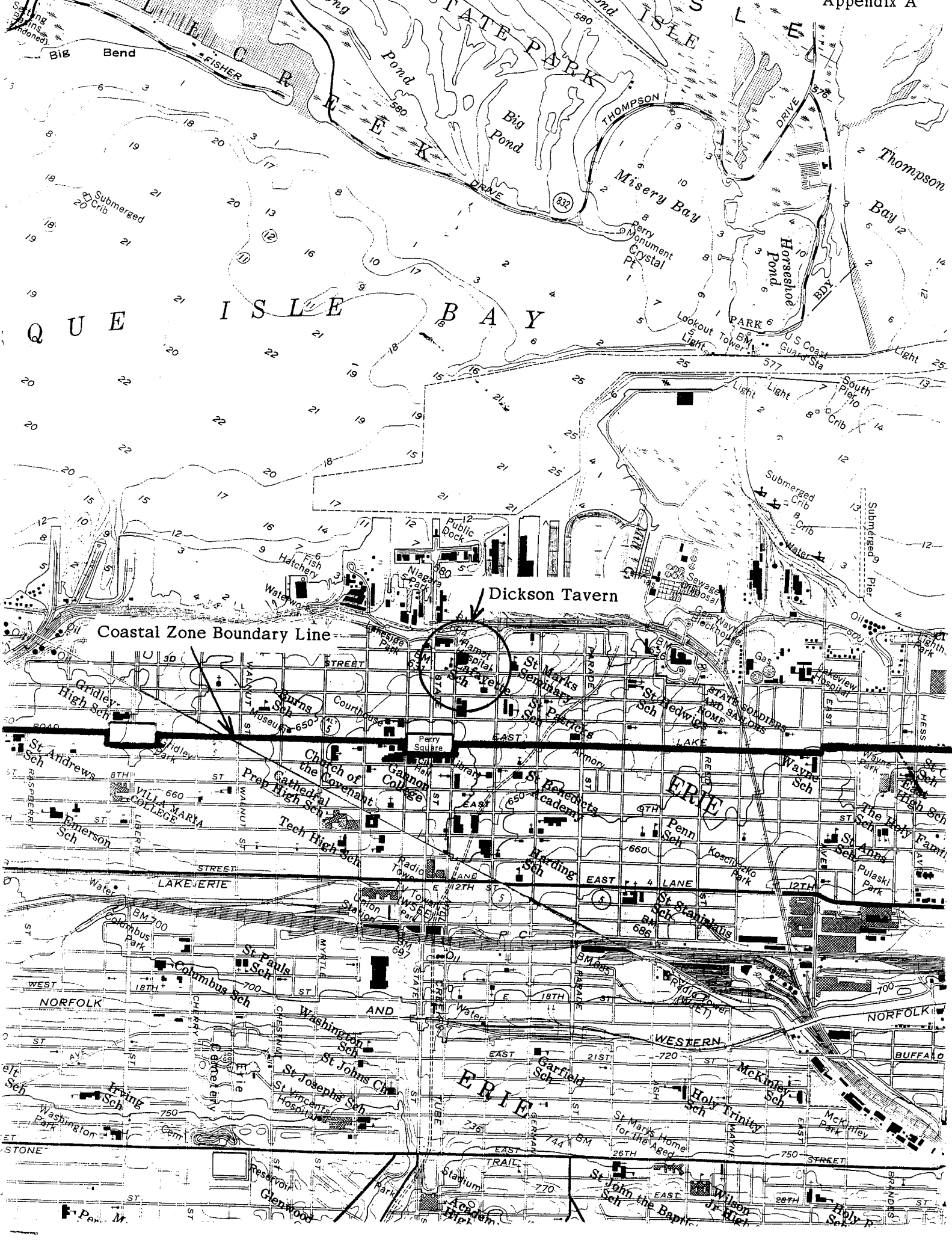


Coastal Zone Boundary Line

Dickson Tavern

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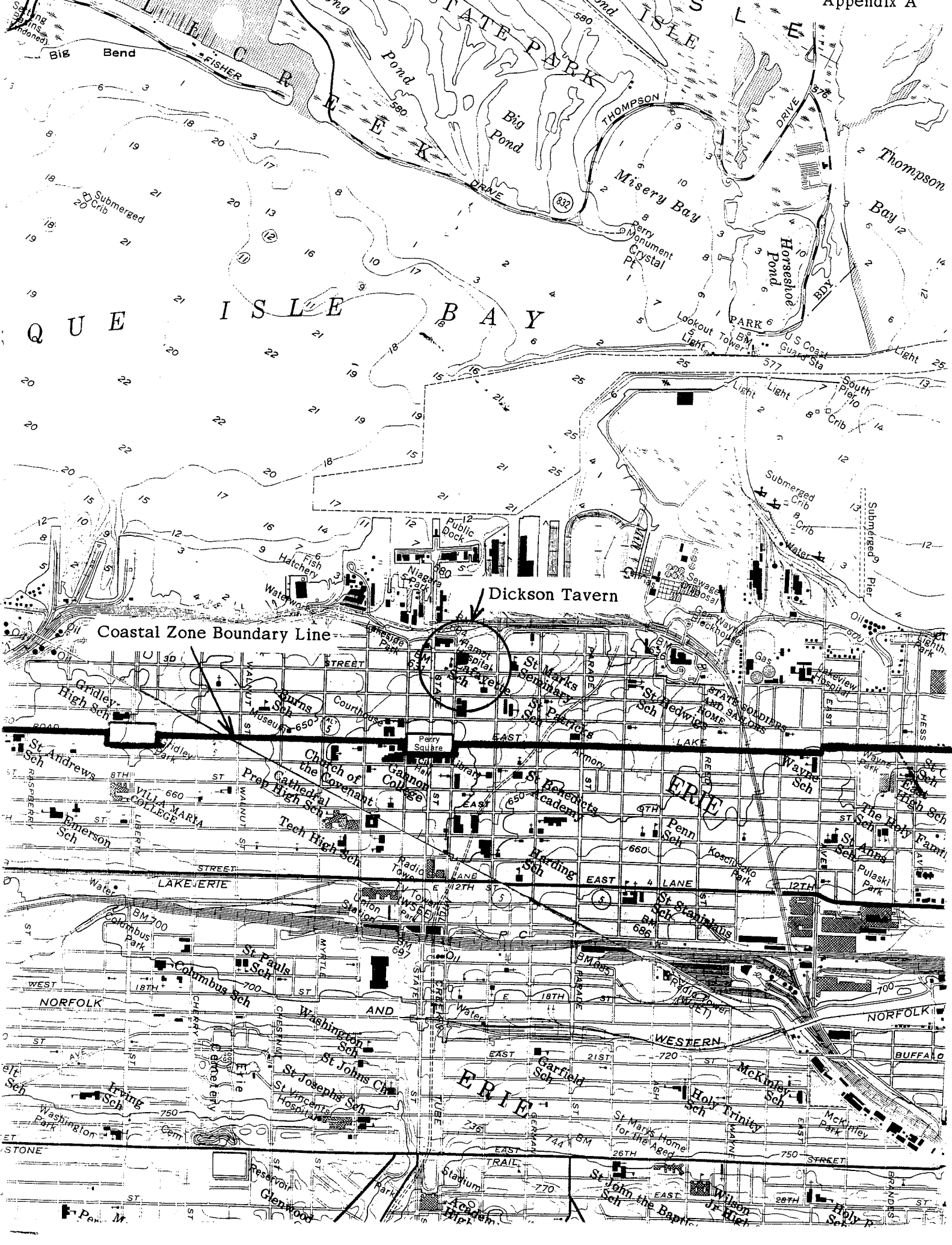


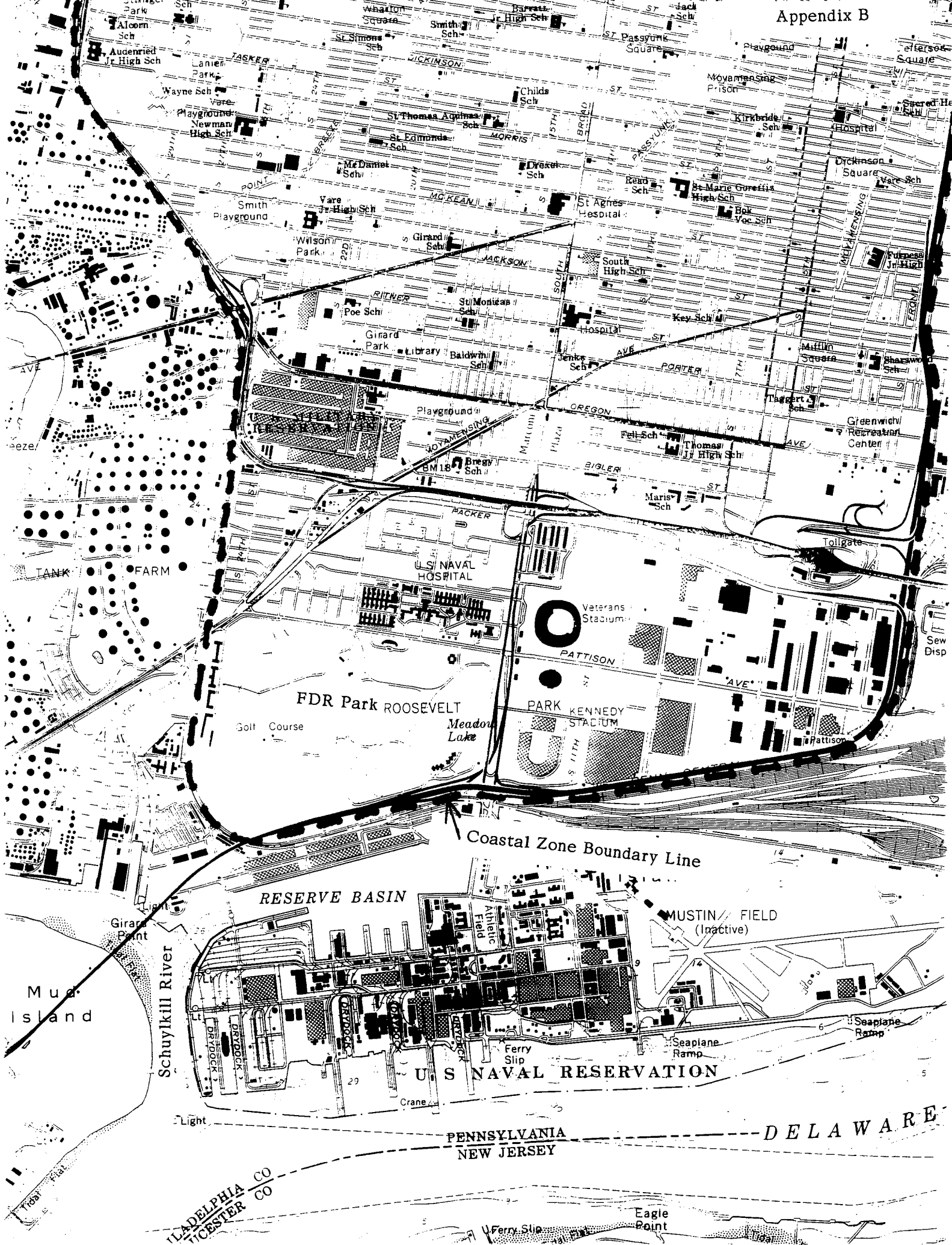
Coastal Zone Boundary Line

Dickson Tavern

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Alcorn Sch
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Lanier Park
Wayne Sch
Vare Playgrounds
Newman High Sch
St Thomas Aquinas Sch
St Edmonds Sch
McDaniel Sch
Smith Playgroun
Wilson Park
Vare Jr High Sch
Girard Sch
RITNER
Poe Sch
Girard Park
Library
Baldwin Sch
Playground
St Monica Sch
St Agnes Hospital
South High Sch
Key Sch
Thomas Jr High Sch
Maris Sch

ST. SIMONS Sch
Smith Sch
Barrett Jr High Sch
ST. PASSYUNK Square
Playground
Moyamensing Prison
Kirkbride Sch
Hospital
Dickinson Square
Vare Sch
Fulmer Jr High
Greenwich Recreational Center

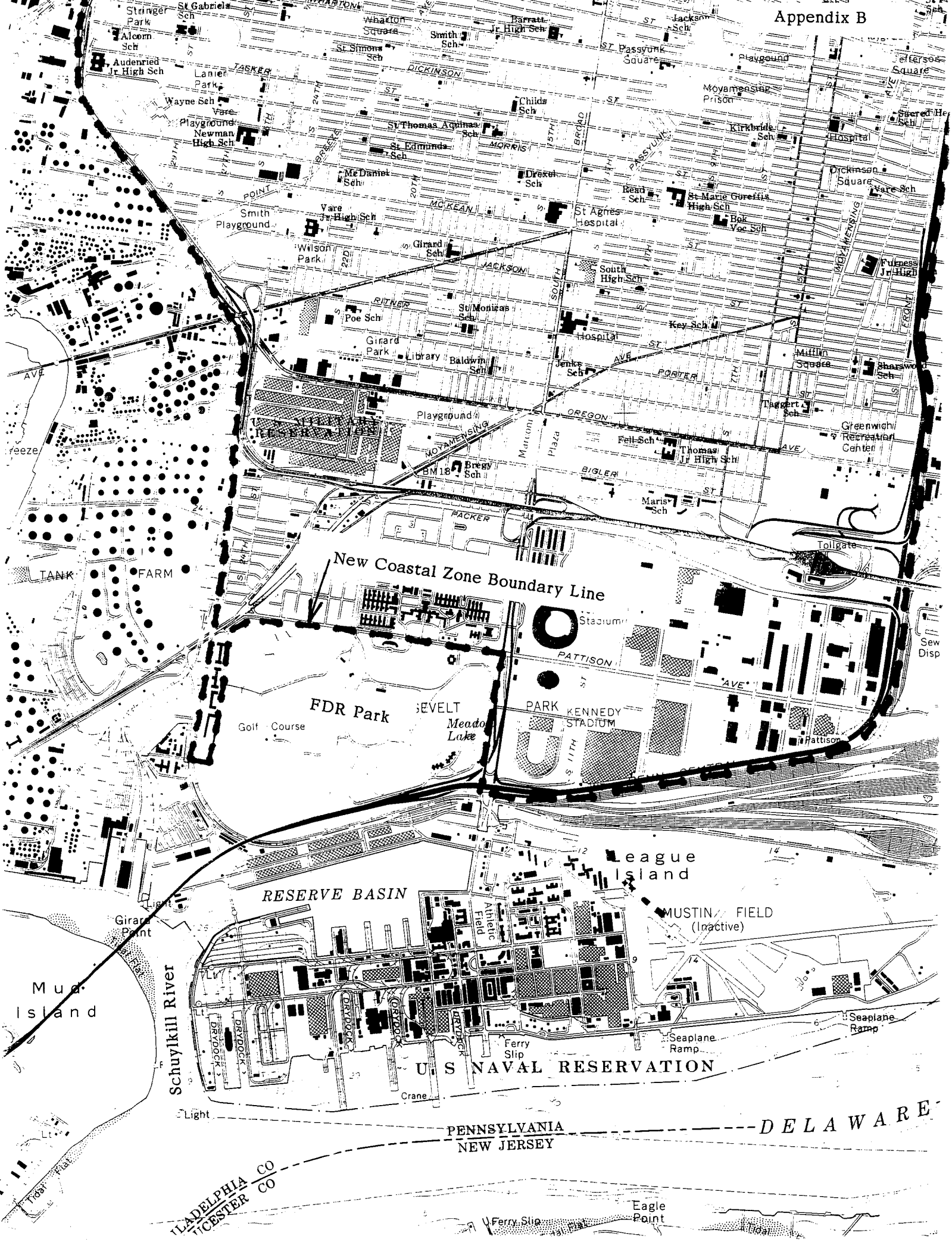
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Drake Sch
Beno Sch
St. Marie Goretti High Sch
Bel Voc Sch
St. Agnes Hospital
South High Sch
Key Sch
Thomas Jr High Sch
Maris Sch

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL
Veterans Stadium
PARK KENNEDY STADIUM
FDR Park ROOSEVELT
Golf Course
Meadow Lake

Coastal Zone Boundary Line
RESERVE BASIN
Athletic Field
MUSTIN FIELD (Inactive)
Seaplane Ramp
Ferry Slip
U.S. NAVAL RESERVATION

Schuylkill River
Mud Island
Girard Point
Light
PENNYSYLVANIA
NEW JERSEY
DELAWARE

ILADELPHIA CO
TICESTER CO
Eagle Point
Ferry Slip



Stringer Park
Alcorn Sch
Audenried Jr High Sch
St Gabriel Sch
Lanier Park
Wayne Sch
Vare Playground
Newman High Sch
St Thomas Aquinas Sch
St Edmunds Sch
McDaniel Sch
Vare Jr High Sch
Wilson Park
Girard Sch
RITNER
Poe Sch
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Baldwin Sch
Playground
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St Agnes Hospital
South High Sch
Key Sch
Jenks Sch
Marion
Fell Sch
Thomas Jr High Sch
Maris Sch
St Simon Sch
Wharton Square
Smith Sch
Barratt Jr High Sch
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New Coastal Zone Boundary Line

FDR Park
Golf Course

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RESERVE BASIN

League Island

MUSTIN FIELD (Inactive)

U.S. NAVAL RESERVATION

Mud Island

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PENNSYLVANIA
NEW JERSEY

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