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H. R. 5246

To remove the Federal claim to navigational servitude for a parcel of land
in Texas City, Texas, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2016

Mr. WEBER of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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a parcel of land in Texas City, Texas, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TEXAS CITY SHIP CHANNEL, TEXAS CITY,**
4 **TEXAS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The portion of the Texas City
6 Ship Channel, Texas City, Texas, described in subsection
7 (b) shall not be subject to navigational servitude beginning
8 on the date of enactment of this Act.

9 (b) DESCRIPTION.—The portion of the Texas City
10 Ship Channel described in this subsection is a tract or par-

1 cel containing 393.53 acres (17,142,111 square feet) of
2 land situated in the City of Texas City Survey, Abstract
3 Number 681, and State of Texas Submerged Lands
4 Tracts 98A and 99A, Galveston County, Texas, said
5 393.53 acre tract being more particularly described as fol-
6 lows:

7 (1) Beginning at the intersection of an edge of
8 fill along Galveston Bay with the most northerly east
9 survey line of said City of Texas City Survey, Ab-
10 stract No. 681, the same being a called 375.75 acre
11 tract patented by the State of Texas to the City of
12 Texas City and recorded in Volume 1941, Page 750
13 of the Galveston County Deed Records (G.C.D.R.),
14 from which a found U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
15 Brass Cap stamped “R 4-3” set in the top of the
16 Texas City Dike along the east side of Bay Street
17 bears North $56^{\circ} 14' 32''$ West, a distance of
18 6,045.31 feet and from which a found U.S. Army
19 Corps of Engineers Brass Cap stamped “R 4-2” set
20 in the top of the Texas City Dike along the east side
21 of Bay Street bears North $49^{\circ} 13' 20''$ West, a dis-
22 tance of 6,693.64 feet.

23 (2) Thence, over and across said State Tracts
24 98A and 99A and along the edge of fill along said

1 Galveston Bay, the following eight (8) courses and
2 distances:

3 (A) South $75^{\circ} 49' 13''$ East, a distance of
4 298.08 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
5 described.

6 (B) South $81^{\circ} 16' 26''$ East, a distance of
7 170.58 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
8 described.

9 (C) South $79^{\circ} 20' 31''$ East, a distance of
10 802.34 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
11 described.

12 (D) South $75^{\circ} 57' 32''$ East, a distance of
13 869.68 feet to a point for the beginning of a
14 non-tangent curve to the right.

15 (E) Easterly along said non-tangent curve
16 to the right having a radius of 736.80 feet, a
17 central angle of $24^{\circ} 55' 59''$, a chord of South
18 $68^{\circ} 47' 35''$ East – 318.10 feet, and an arc
19 length of 320.63 feet to a point for the begin-
20 ning of a non-tangent curve to the left.

21 (F) Easterly along said non-tangent curve
22 to the left having a radius of 373.30 feet, a
23 central angle of $31^{\circ} 57' 42''$, a chord of South
24 $66^{\circ} 10' 42''$ East – 205.55 feet, and an arc

1 length of 208.24 feet to a point for the begin-
2 ning of a non-tangent curve to the right.

3 (G) Easterly along said non-tangent curve
4 to the right having a radius of 15,450.89 feet,
5 a central angle of $02^{\circ} 04' 10''$, a chord of South
6 $81^{\circ} 56' 20''$ East – 558.04 feet, and an arc
7 length of 558.07 feet to a point for the begin-
8 ning of a compound curve to the right and the
9 northeasterly corner of the tract herein de-
10 scribed.

11 (H) Southerly along said compound curve
12 to the right and the easterly line of the tract
13 herein described, having a radius of 1,425.00
14 feet, a central angle of $133^{\circ} 08' 00''$, a chord
15 of South $14^{\circ} 20' 15''$ East – 2,614.94 feet, and
16 an arc length of 3,311.15 feet to a point on a
17 line lying 125.00 feet northerly of and parallel
18 with the centerline of an existing levee for the
19 southeasterly corner of the tract herein de-
20 scribed.

21 (3) Thence, continuing over and across said
22 State Tracts 98A and 99A and along lines lying
23 125.00 feet northerly of, parallel, and concentric
24 with the centerline of said existing levee, the fol-
25 lowing twelve (12) courses and distances:

1 (A) North $78^{\circ} 01' 58''$ West, a distance of
2 840.90 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
3 described.

4 (B) North $76^{\circ} 58' 35''$ West, a distance of
5 976.66 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
6 described.

7 (C) North $76^{\circ} 44' 33''$ West, a distance of
8 1,757.03 feet to a point for the beginning of a
9 tangent curve to the left.

10 (D) Southwesterly, along said tangent
11 curve to the left having a radius of 185.00 feet,
12 a central angle of $82^{\circ} 27' 32''$, a chord of South
13 $62^{\circ} 01' 41''$ West – 243.86 feet, and an arc
14 length of 266.25 feet to a point for the begin-
15 ning of a compound curve to the left.

16 (E) Southerly, along said compound curve
17 to the left having a radius of 4,535.58 feet, a
18 central angle of $11^{\circ} 06' 58''$, a chord of South
19 $15^{\circ} 14' 26''$ West – 878.59 feet, and an arc
20 length of 879.97 feet to an angle point of the
21 tract herein described.

22 (F) South $64^{\circ} 37' 11''$ West, a distance of
23 146.03 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
24 described.

1 (G) South $67^{\circ} 08' 21''$ West, a distance of
2 194.42 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
3 described.

4 (H) North $34^{\circ} 48' 22''$ West, a distance of
5 789.69 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
6 described.

7 (I) South $42^{\circ} 47' 10''$ West, a distance of
8 161.01 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
9 described.

10 (J) South $42^{\circ} 47' 10''$ West, a distance of
11 144.66 feet to a point for the beginning of a
12 tangent curve to the right.

13 (K) Westerly, along said tangent curve to
14 the right having a radius of 310.00 feet, a cen-
15 tral angle of $59^{\circ} 50' 28''$, a chord of South 72°
16 $42' 24''$ West – 309.26 feet, and an arc length
17 of 323.77 feet to an angle point of the tract
18 herein described.

19 (L) North $77^{\circ} 22' 21''$ West, a distance of
20 591.41 feet to the intersection of said parallel
21 line with the edge of fill adjacent to the easterly
22 edge of the Texas City Turning Basin for the
23 southwesterly corner of the tract herein de-
24 scribed, from which a found U.S. Army Corps
25 of Engineers Brass Cap stamped “SWAN 2”

1 set in the top of a concrete column set flush in
2 the ground along the north bank of Swan Lake
3 bears South $20^{\circ} 51' 58''$ West, a distance of
4 4,862.67 feet.

5 (4) Thence, over and across said City of Texas
6 City Survey and along the edge of fill adjacent to
7 the easterly edge of said Texas City Turning Basin,
8 the following eighteen (18) courses and distances:

9 (A) North $01^{\circ} 34' 19''$ East, a distance of
10 57.40 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
11 described.

12 (B) North $05^{\circ} 02' 13''$ West, a distance of
13 161.85 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
14 described.

15 (C) North $06^{\circ} 01' 56''$ East, a distance of
16 297.75 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
17 described.

18 (D) North $06^{\circ} 18' 07''$ West, a distance of
19 71.33 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
20 described.

21 (E) North $07^{\circ} 21' 09''$ West, a distance of
22 122.45 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
23 described.

1 (F) North $26^{\circ} 41' 15''$ West, a distance of
2 46.02 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
3 described.

4 (G) North $01^{\circ} 31' 59''$ West, a distance of
5 219.78 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
6 described.

7 (H) North $15^{\circ} 54' 07''$ West, a distance of
8 104.89 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
9 described.

10 (I) North $04^{\circ} 00' 34''$ East, a distance of
11 72.94 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
12 described.

13 (J) North $06^{\circ} 46' 38''$ West, a distance of
14 78.89 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
15 described.

16 (K) North $12^{\circ} 07' 59''$ West, a distance of
17 182.79 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
18 described.

19 (L) North $20^{\circ} 50' 47''$ West, a distance of
20 105.74 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
21 described.

22 (M) North $02^{\circ} 02' 04''$ West, a distance of
23 184.50 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
24 described.

1 (N) North $08^{\circ} 07' 11''$ East, a distance of
2 102.23 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
3 described.

4 (O) North $08^{\circ} 16' 00''$ West, a distance of
5 213.45 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
6 described.

7 (P) North $03^{\circ} 15' 16''$ West, a distance of
8 336.45 feet to a point for the beginning of a
9 non-tangent curve to the left.

10 (Q) Northerly along said non-tangent
11 curve to the left having a radius of 896.08 feet,
12 a central angle of $14^{\circ} 00' 05''$, a chord of North
13 $09^{\circ} 36' 03''$ West – 218.43 feet, and an arc
14 length of 218.97 feet to a point for the begin-
15 ning of a non-tangent curve to the right.

16 (R) Northerly along said non-tangent
17 curve to the right having a radius of 483.33
18 feet, a central angle of $19^{\circ} 13' 34''$, a chord of
19 North $13^{\circ} 52' 03''$ East – 161.43 feet, and an
20 arc length of 162.18 feet to a point for the
21 northwesterly corner of the tract herein de-
22 scribed.

23 (5) Thence, continuing over and across said
24 City of Texas City Survey, and along the edge of fill

1 along said Galveston Bay, the following fifteen (15)
2 courses and distances:

3 (A) North $30^{\circ} 45' 02''$ East, a distance of
4 189.03 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
5 described.

6 (B) North $34^{\circ} 20' 49''$ East, a distance of
7 174.16 feet to a point for the beginning of a
8 non-tangent curve to the right.

9 (C) Northeasterly along said non-tangent
10 curve to the right having a radius of 202.01
11 feet, a central angle of $25^{\circ} 53' 37''$, a chord of
12 North $33^{\circ} 14' 58''$ East – 90.52 feet, and an
13 arc length of 91.29 feet to a point for the be-
14 ginning of a non-tangent curve to the left.

15 (D) Northeasterly along said non-tangent
16 curve to the left having a radius of 463.30 feet,
17 a central angle of $23^{\circ} 23' 57''$, a chord of North
18 $48^{\circ} 02' 53''$ East – 187.90 feet, and an arc
19 length of 189.21 feet to a point for the begin-
20 ning of a non-tangent curve to the right.

21 (E) Northeasterly along said non-tangent
22 curve to the right having a radius of 768.99
23 feet, a central angle of $16^{\circ} 24' 19''$, a chord of
24 North $43^{\circ} 01' 40''$ East – 219.43 feet, and an

1 are length of 220.18 feet to an angle point of
2 the tract herein described.

3 (F) North $38^{\circ} 56' 50''$ East, a distance of
4 126.41 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
5 described.

6 (G) North $42^{\circ} 59' 50''$ East, a distance of
7 128.28 feet to a point for the beginning of a
8 non-tangent curve to the right.

9 (H) Northerly along said non-tangent
10 curve to the right having a radius of 151.96
11 feet, a central angle of $68^{\circ} 36' 31''$, a chord of
12 North $57^{\circ} 59' 42''$ East – 171.29 feet, and an
13 arc length of 181.96 feet to a point for the
14 most northerly corner of the tract herein de-
15 scribed.

16 (I) South $77^{\circ} 14' 49''$ East, a distance of
17 131.60 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
18 described.

19 (J) South $84^{\circ} 44' 18''$ East, a distance of
20 86.58 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
21 described.

22 (K) South $58^{\circ} 14' 45''$ East, a distance of
23 69.62 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
24 described.

1 (L) South $49^{\circ} 44' 51''$ East, a distance of
2 149.00 feet to an angle point of the tract herein
3 described.

4 (M) South $44^{\circ} 47' 21''$ East, a distance of
5 353.77 feet to a point for the beginning of a
6 non-tangent curve to the left.

7 (N) Easterly along said non-tangent curve
8 to the left having a radius of 253.99 feet, a
9 central angle of $98^{\circ} 53' 23''$, a chord of South
10 $83^{\circ} 28' 51''$ East – 385.96 feet, and an arc
11 length of 438.38 feet to an angle point of the
12 tract herein described.

13 (O) South $75^{\circ} 49' 13''$ East, a distance of
14 321.52 feet to the point of beginning and con-
15 taining 393.53 acres (17,142,111 square feet)
16 of land.

