

# **MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA**

• A Hidden Gem on the Western Edge of the Forgotten Coast

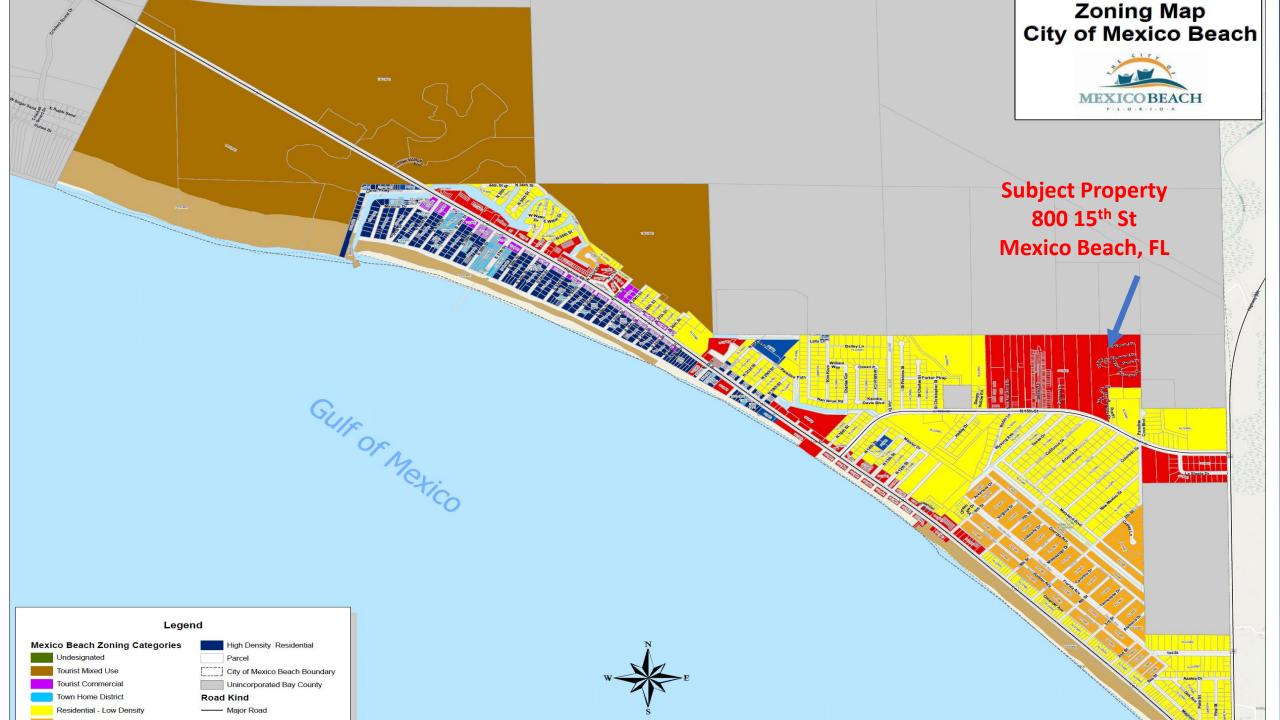
- The origins of settlement in the Mexico Beach area are sketchy at best. Rumor has it, the coastal geographic region was utilized by Caribbean Pirates as a haven from bounty hunters back in the early 1800's. Some old timers have even whispered quietly of inland hideaways where grand stashes from their thievery were stowed away yet to be discovered.
- Modern, historical documentation came to the undeveloped area when in the 1920's the Florida Department of Transportation built (Scenic) US Highway 98. A gentleman, Felix DuPont, purchased the property now known as Mexico Beach around the turn of the century for the purpose of turpentine farming. Mr. DuPont farmed the plentiful pine trees for a number of years until he was approached by a group of investors anxious to relocate and proceed with business aspirations in 1946. A majority portion of geography we now know as the City of Mexico Beach was purchased for a ripe price of \$65,000 on July 1, 1946. The investors incorporated, forming the Mexico Beach Corporation and set up an office at the County Line adjacent to a tavern holding the 17th liquor license issued to the State of Florida, Jack's Place. The \$65,000 note, financed for 5 years at the then high interest rate of 4%, was satisfied in 6 months by sales of 50' x 150' lots.
- Today, Mexico Beach, Florida is a thriving community, whose largest assets are its friendly people, its preserved natural beauty and its ability to remain one of the few coastal beach communities not crowded and commercialized. From myths of treasure, to treasured deals, to what you see today, Mexico Beach remains a treasure to the eyes, senses, spirits and emotions of those that live and visit here.
- Mexico Beach city limits stretches four miles along Highway 98. Peaceful, quiet, quaint beach cottages overlooking beaches of sugar white powder sand that squeaks when you walk on it. The beach touches the blue gulf which changes every day. Our town is small and you are within approximately one half mile from the beach at all times. Just bring your walking shoes or bike and experience our community where the water and sky present a never-ending panorama.
- The beach is beautiful and provides a new experience every day. One can swim, surf, windsurf, boat, sail, parasail, kayak, scuba dive and fish, or just sit on the beach and relax. Enjoy the breathtaking ever-changing sunset. A fabulous sunset will come your way every evening with colorful hues of the rainbow.





19.54 Acre 800 15<sup>th</sup> St, Mexico Beach, FL





## GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING

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<ul> <li>a. Community centers and fraternal lodges.</li> <li>b. Commercial or trade schools such as dance and martial arts studios</li> <li>c. Department stores and other retail sales stores, such as shoe stores, clothing stores, pharmacies, florists, and book stores.</li> <li>d. Funeral homes, cemeteries, and mortuaries.</li> <li>e. Farm and garden supply, building supply, and vehicle parts and accessories (including vehicle sales/service/repair).</li> <li>f. Grocery stores, supermarkets (including convenience stores), and specialty food stores (such as meat markets and bakeries).</li> <li>g. Hospitals</li> <li>h. Service businesses such as blueprint, printing, catering, tailoring, travel agencies, upholstery shops, laundries/dry cleaners, and light mechanical repair stores (such as camera, TV, or bicycle repair shops).</li> <li>i. Restaurants including open air cafes.</li> <li>j. Shopping centers (but not regional malls or centers).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Condominiums</li> <li>b. Docks, piers, wharves, and similar structures in City Waters.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Landfills.</li> <li>b. Hazardous waste collection and handling centers.</li> <li>c. Borrow pits.</li> <li>d. Pastures, forestry, feed lots, and buildings which are an accessory to these agricultural uses.</li> <li>e. Junkyards and salvage yards.</li> <li>f. Medical marijuana treatment center</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Restricted:</li> <li>a. Areas and sheds for outside storage shall be enclosed by opaque fencing of at least six (6) feet in height.</li> <li>b. No accessory buildings used for industrial storage of hazardous, incendiary, noxious, or pernicious materials shall be located nearer than one hundred (100) feet from any property line.</li> <li>Prohibited:</li> <li>c. All other uses.</li> </ul>

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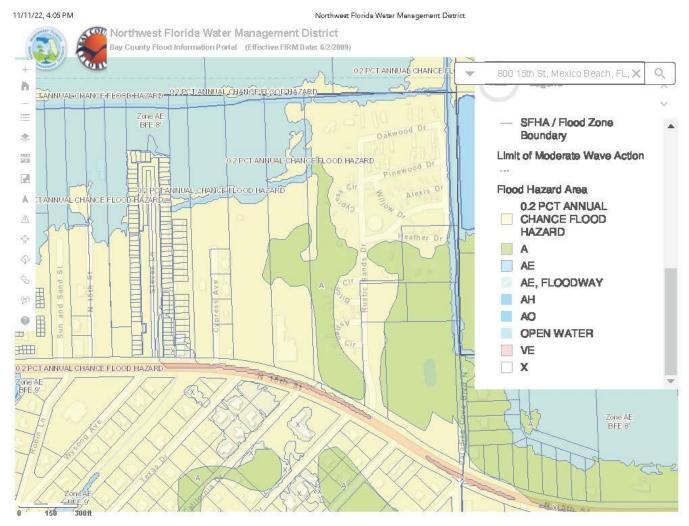
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<ul> <li>k. Theaters and auditoriums.</li> <li>I. Plant nurseries.</li> <li>m. Veterinary offices and animal hospital with outside kennels.</li> <li>n. Wholesale and retail businesses for storing and/or distributing goods.</li> <li>o. Mobile home parks, recreational vehicle, and travel trailer parks.</li> <li>p. Arcades, billiards/pool parlors, bowling alleys, indoor recreational centers, and gymnasiums/spas/ health clubs.</li> <li>q. Small taverns and bars.</li> <li>r. Residential Single Family</li> <li>s. Multi-family</li> <li>t. Educational facilities (public or private)</li> <li>u. Public buildings and grounds</li> <li>v. Pre-school and day care facilities (public or private)</li> <li>w. Churches</li> <li>x. Cemeteries without funeral homes,</li> <li>y. Residential care facilities,</li> <li>z. Group homes</li> <li>aa. Other similar institutional uses.</li> <li>bb. Personal service businesses where the service is performed on an individual-to-individual basis, including barber shops, beauty shops,</li> </ul>	Approval		

# GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING – SETBACKS & HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

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boutiques, studios, or other similar uses. cc. Professional offices dd. Medical offices or clinics			

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7. Developmen	t Standards	•		n.	•
Setbacks		Impervious Surface	Max Height		
Front	Side	Rear	Corner	Ratio	
12 feet	0 feet if attachment easement is in place; 5 feet if abutting residential property	10 feet	12 feet	0.90	48 feet





### • FLOOD MAP

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#### July 29, 2022

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#### RE: Jurisdictional Wetland Assessment - 800 15<sup>th</sup> St. Mexico Beach, +/- 20.63 acres Bay County parcels: 04173-010-000, 04173-018-000, 04173-026-000

Dear Simone Afuta:

Biome Consulting Group, LLC (Biome) has completed a jurisdictional wetlands and waters assessment of the above referenced property. Our assessment included an analysis of vegetative cover and composition, wetland hydrology indicators and hydric soil indicators in accordance with state and federal procedural guidelines. The following is meant to be used as a brief summary of site results and the regulatory agencies' potential involvement with this property.

Biome conducted a jurisdictional wetland assessment of the subject parcel on July 28, 2022. The results of the site visit indicate that the property consists of 17.68 acres of uplands and 2.95 acres of wetlands and other jurisdictional waters. We note that these calculations are based on an inspection boundary approximated from the county property appraiser's depiction of the property boundary. An actual boundary survey may result in slightly different calculations. The following is a brief, technical summary of our findings relative to the regulatory agencies' potential involvement with this property:

- General Observations: The site consists of three parcels located in a primarily commercial and residential area. The site is developed and currently serves as an RV park. There is an on-site jurisdictional ditch that runs along the eastern and northern property boundaries. This ditch would need to be permitted if impacted by development;
- Vegetation: The upland area is dominated by longleaf pine, popcorn trees, saw palmetto, winged sumac, and Bermuda grass, and the wetland area is dominated by slash pine, cypress, sweetbay magnolia, willow, scirpus, rattlebox, and duck potato;
- Soils: The NRCS soil survey indicates that the property is underlain by the Leon (non-hydric), Mandarin (non-hydric), Rutlege (hydric), and Pottsburg (hydric) soil types, which was confirmed by on-site soil pit excavation. Additionally, a portion of the site has been historically filled due to development. The S7 Dark Surface indicator was present below the jurisdictional line and absent above;

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 Hydrology: Observed on-site hydrologic indicators include algal matting, buttressing, and surface saturation/inundation.

#### State & Federal Wetland Jurisdiction

The Site was delineated according to state rule chapter 62-340, Delineation of the Landward Extent of Wetlands and Surface Waters. This rule's intent is to provide a unified statewide methodology for the delineation of the extent of wetlands and surface waters to satisfy the mandate of Section 373.421, F.S. This delineation methodology is intended to approximate the combined landward extent of wetlands as determined by the state Water Management District and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). For projects that do not have wetland impacts within 300' of MHWL/OHWL, the state 62-340 delineation prevails and the FDEP is the permitting authority for impacts to 404 wetlands under 62-331.

More information can be found at: https://floridadep.gov/water/submerged-lands-environmentalresources-coordination/content/state-404-program

Results: The wetland parameters necessary for the state and federal agencies to exert jurisdiction are present on the site.

#### Wetland Permitting

Biome Consulting Group has extensive experience permitting an assortment of projects and we are happy to assist and answer any potential questions you may have. For general information on wetland permitting, please visit http://www.biome.co/before-you-build/wetland-permitting.php. For specific information about permitting your project or property, please contact our permitting staff at:

- Rayne Mattson at rayne@biome.co (850-435-9367)
- Chris Bosso at chris@biome.co (850-434-1935)

The basic premise of the dredge and fill program is that no discharge of dredged or fill material may be permitted if: (1) a practicable alternative exists that is less damaging to the aquatic environment or (2) the nation's waters would be significantly degraded. What this means is when you apply for a permit, you must show that you have, to the extent practicable:

- Reasonably avoided all wetland impacts;
- Minimized potential impacts on wetlands; and
- Provide compensation for any remaining unavoidable impacts.

#### CONCLUSION

Based on our thorough assessment, we have determined that 17.68 acres of the property is upland with 2.95 acres of wetlands and other waters within state and federal jurisdiction. As such, any proposal to develop the wetland portion of the property or any ditch in the road right-of-way adjoining the property will require federal and state permits. We note that these calculations are based on an inspection boundary approximated from the county property appraiser depiction of the property boundary. An actual boundary survey may result in slightly different calculations.

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A wetland delineation performed by an ecological consultant represents the professional opinion of the scientist that performed the work. Only the regulatory agencies can establish a legal and binding jurisdictional boundary. Such can be obtained by submitting a permit application and waiting several months for processing. For the purposes of local government permitting (e.g. building permit) this letter should suffice.

This report is intended for the sole use by the above listed addressee. Its contents may not be relied upon by other parties without the written consent of Biome Consulting Group.

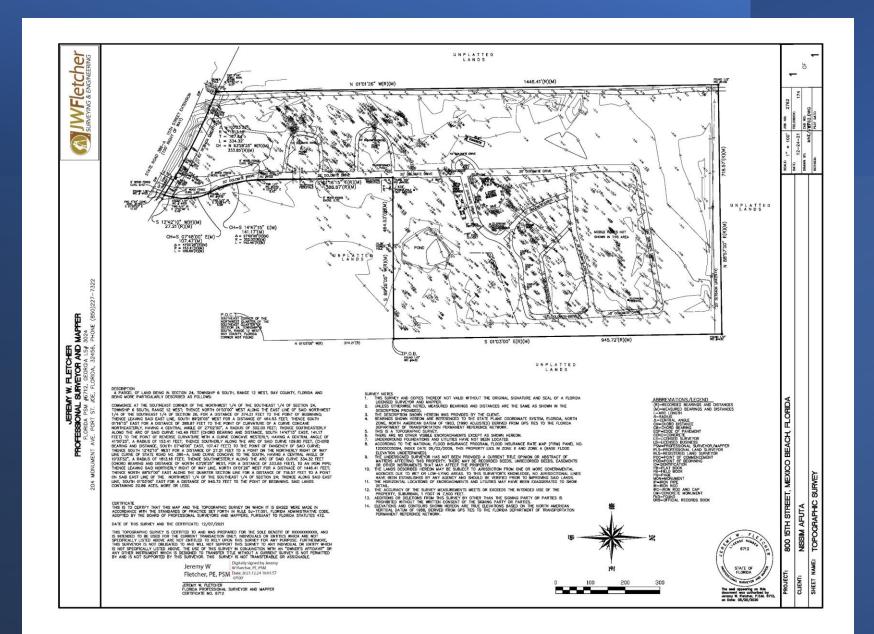
This concludes our assessment of the target property. If you require additional information, assistance, or clarification, please give us a call at 850.435.9367 or visit <a href="http://www.biome.co/">http://www.biome.co/</a>. We look forward to being of assistance to you in the future.

Sincerely, Biome Consulting Group

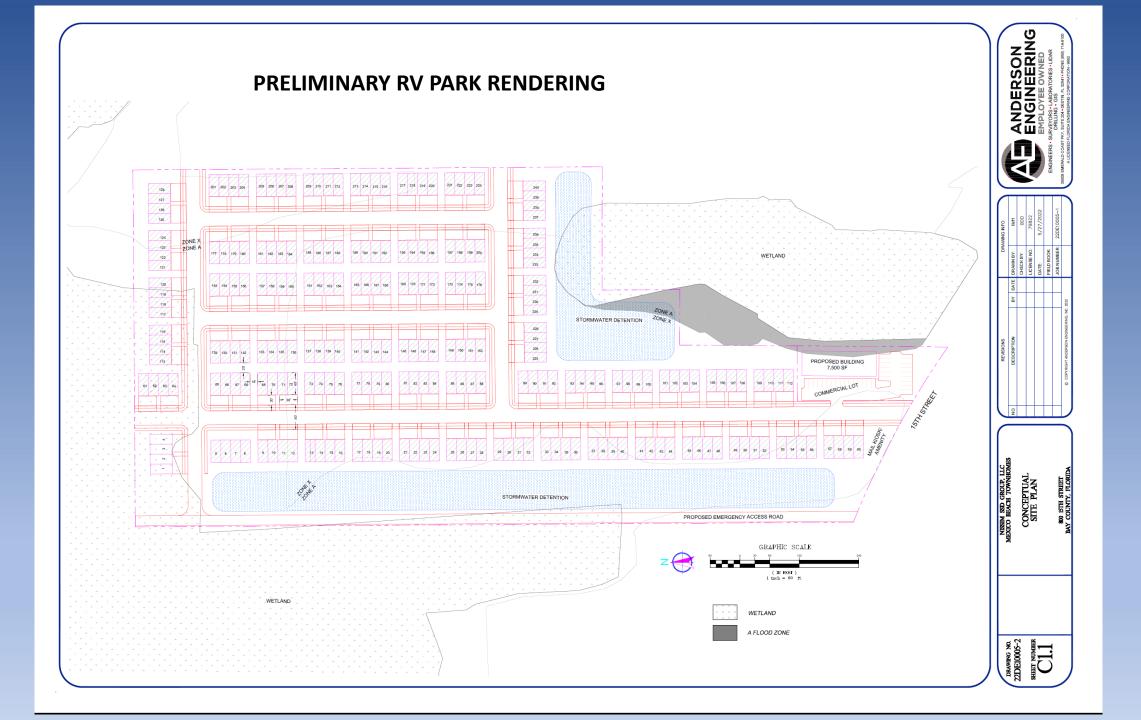
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Attachment: Wetland Jurisdiction Map







# **TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE**

The base is set to become "The Installation of the Future."

The 325th Fighter Wing

Military leaders expect the new jets will bring in around 2,000 airmen and their families to Tyndall.

LOCATED 17 MILES FROM MEXICO BEACH, 20 MINUTE DRIVE



Panama City, FL 27 mile Atlanta, GA 312 mile Birmingham, AL 300 mile Chattanooga, TN 425 mile Charleston, SC 499 mile Jacksonville, FL 263 mile Memphis, TN 532 mile Montgomery, AL 206 mile Nashville, TN 489 mile New Orleans, LA 354 mile St Louis, MO 797 mile

