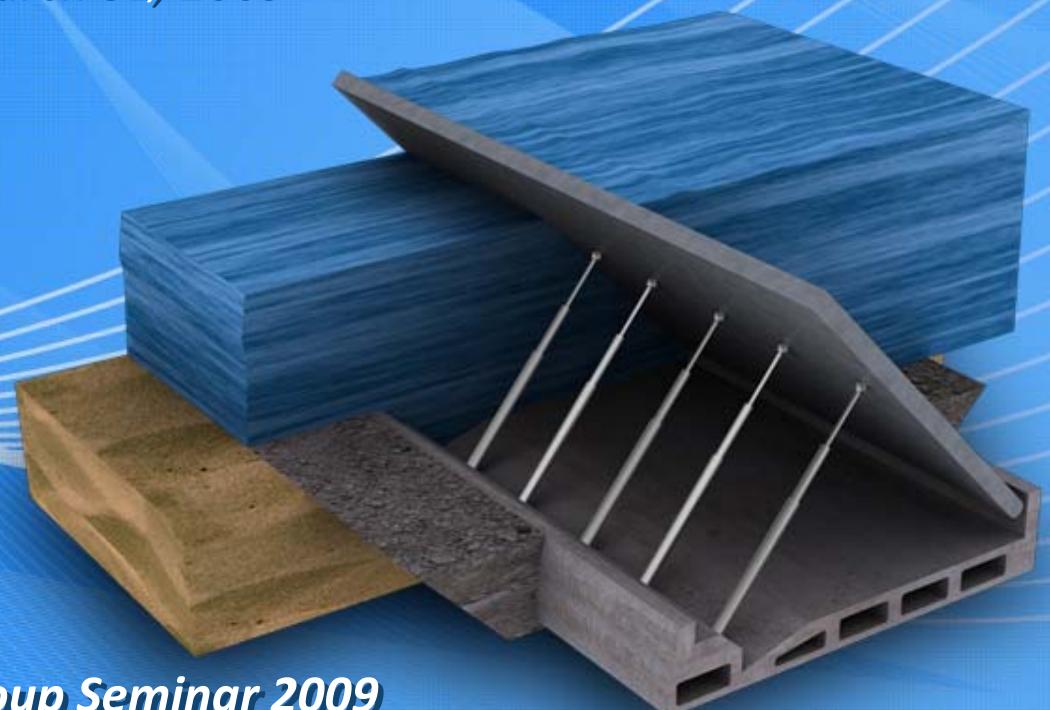


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Conceptual Design of an East River Storm Surge Barrier

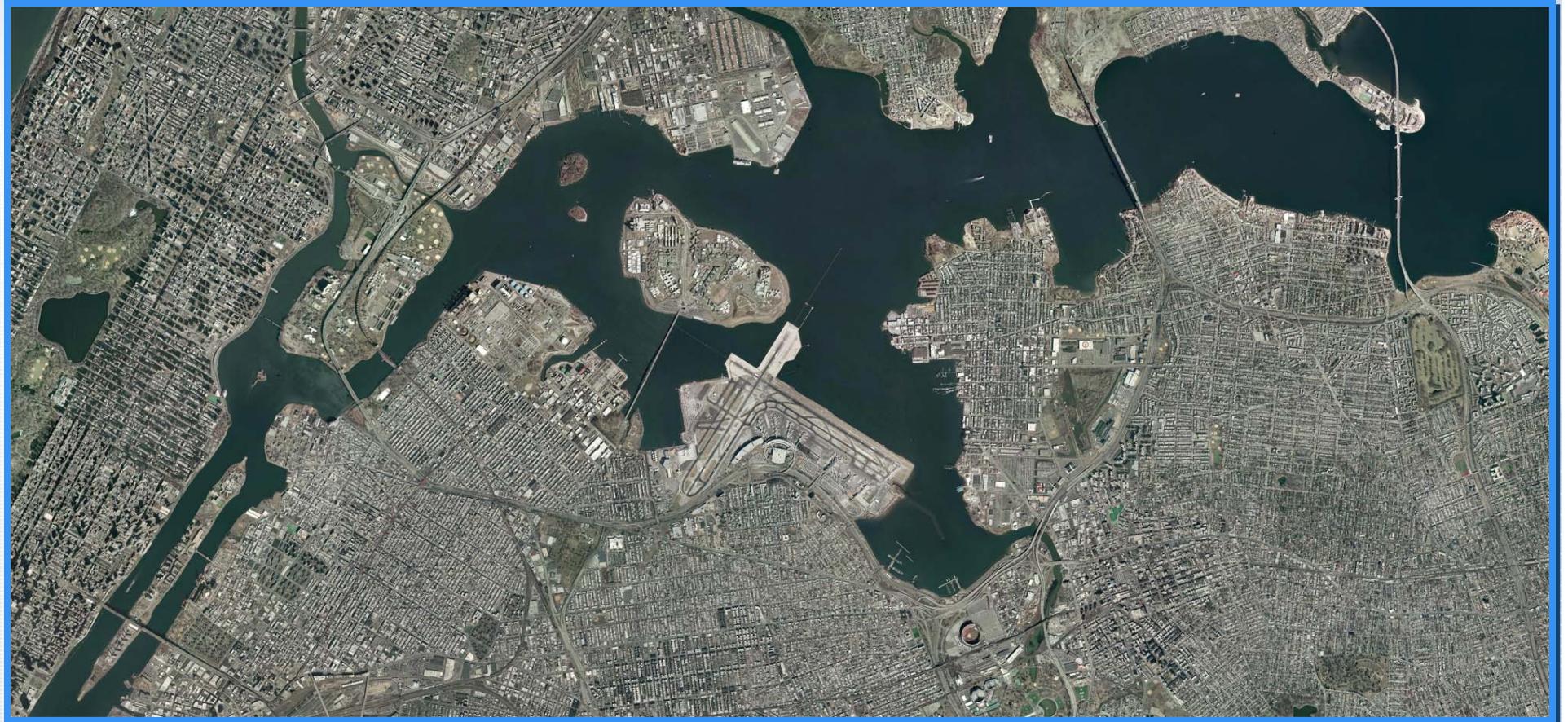
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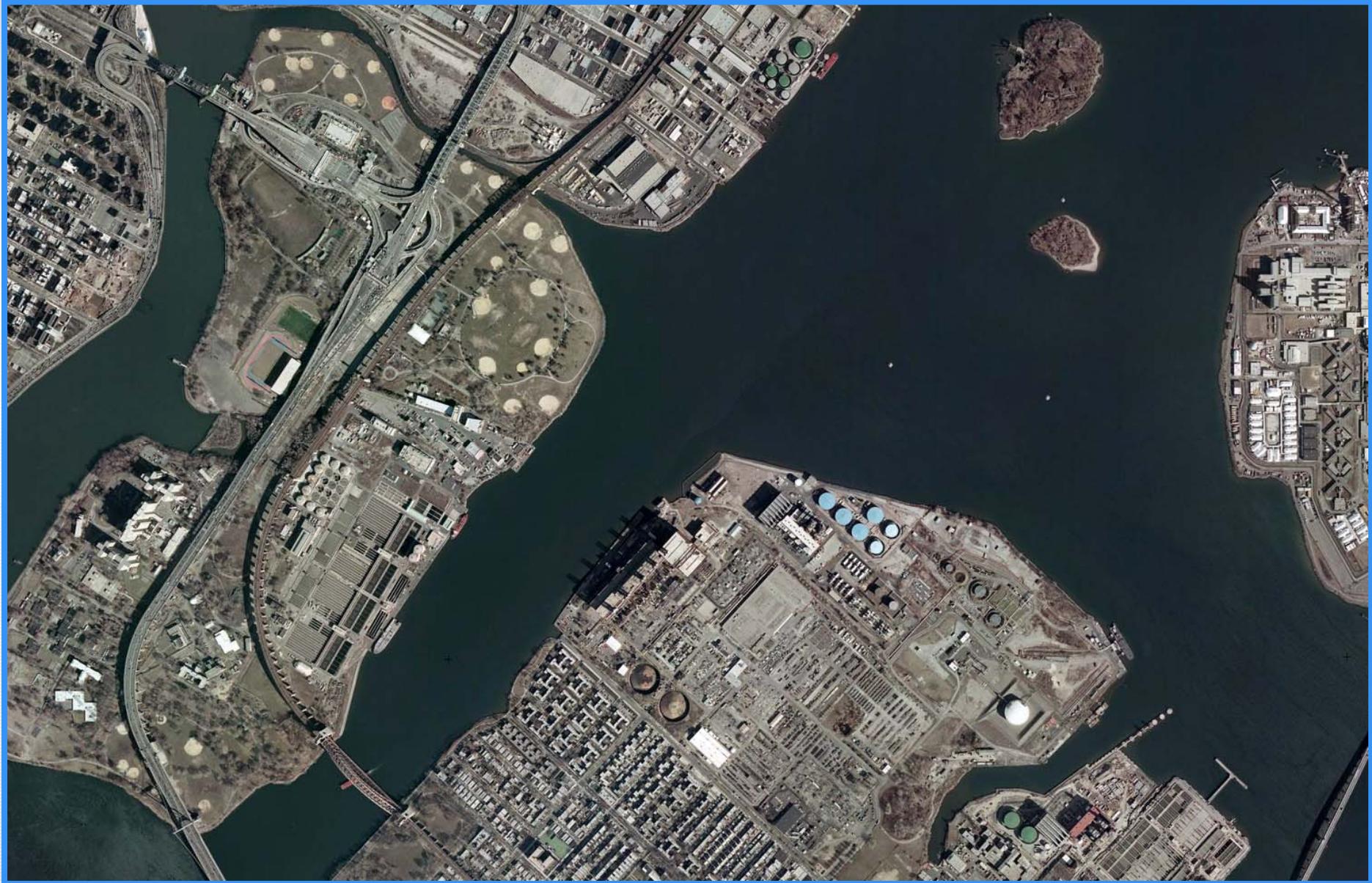
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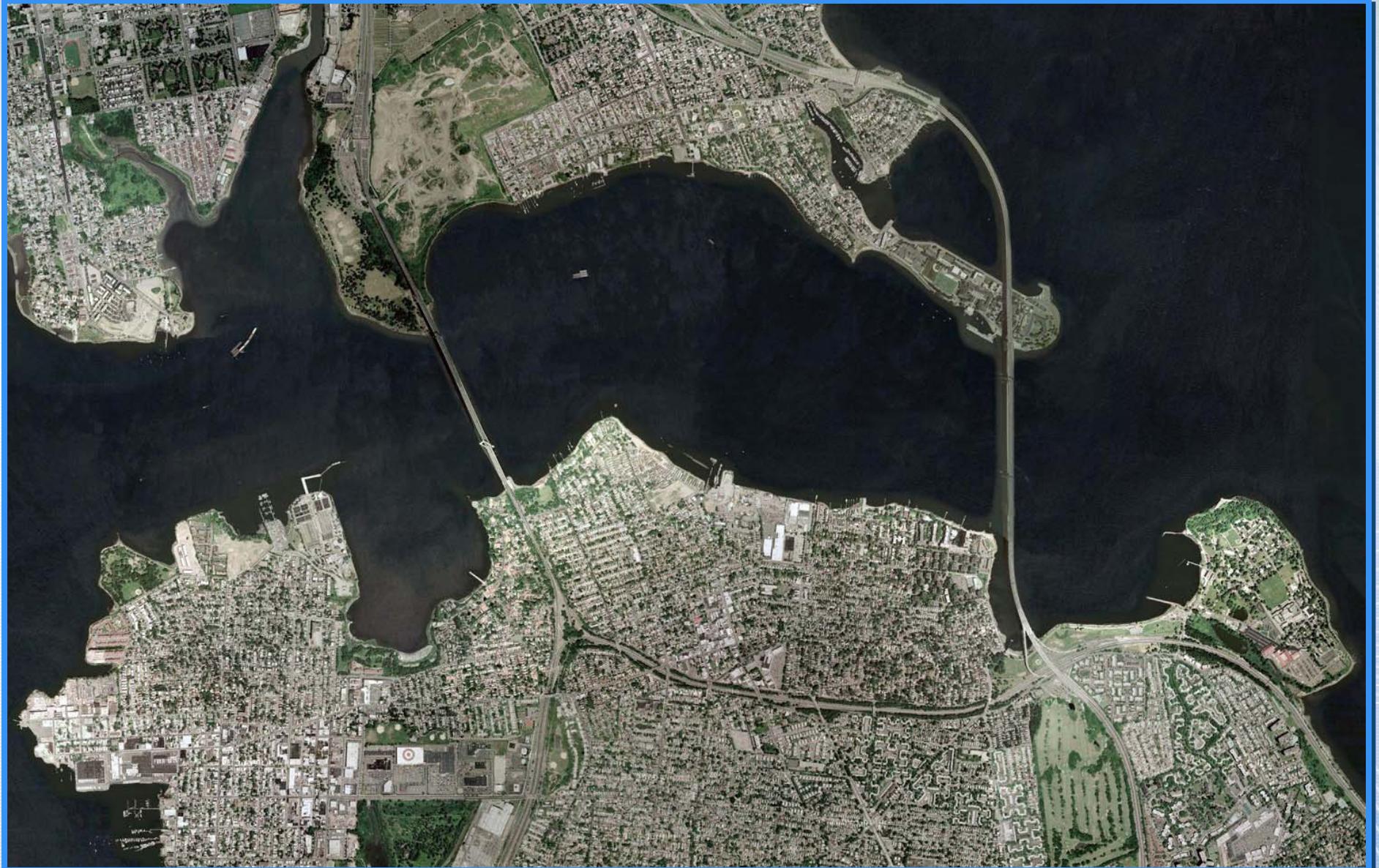


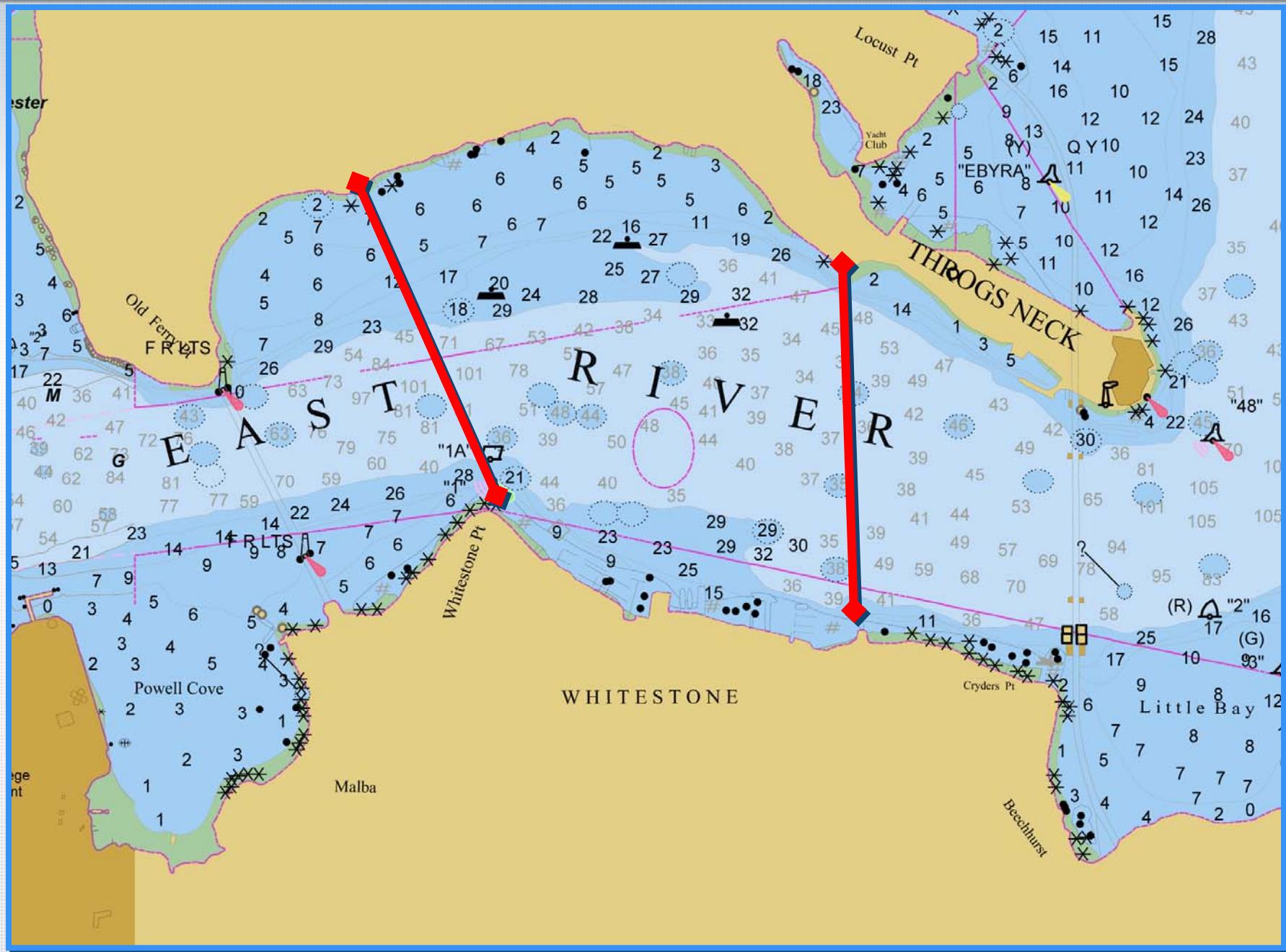
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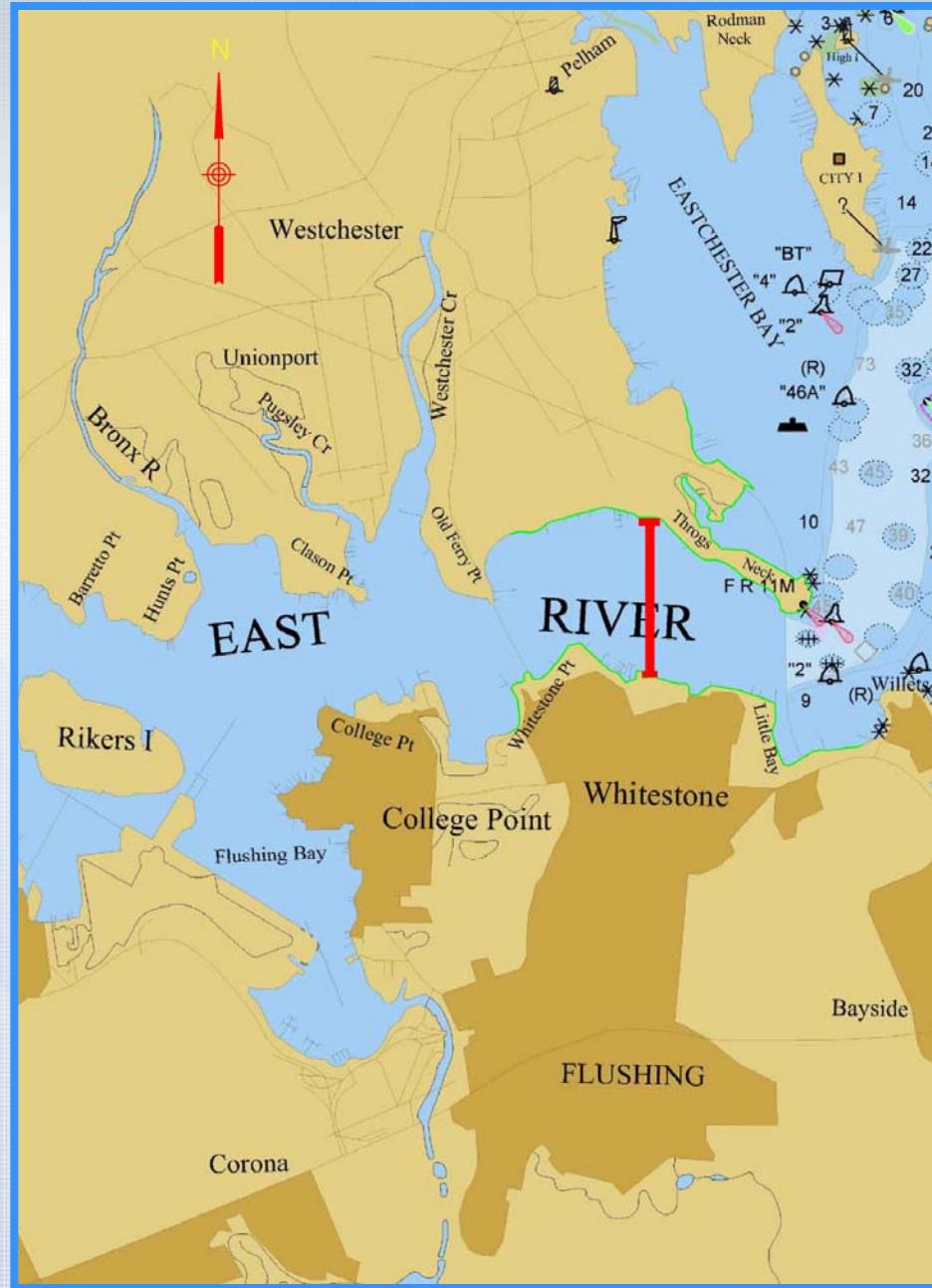
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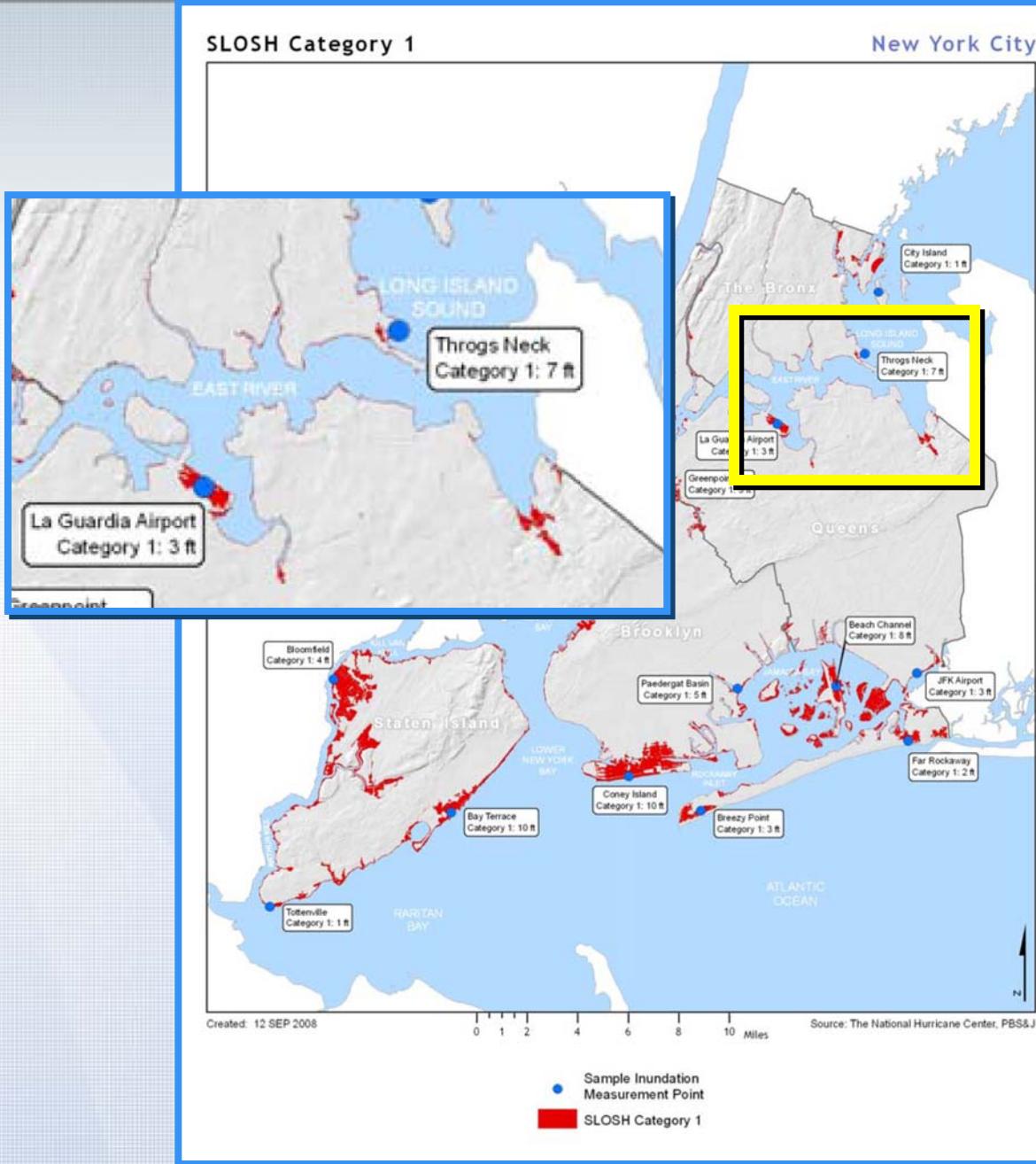


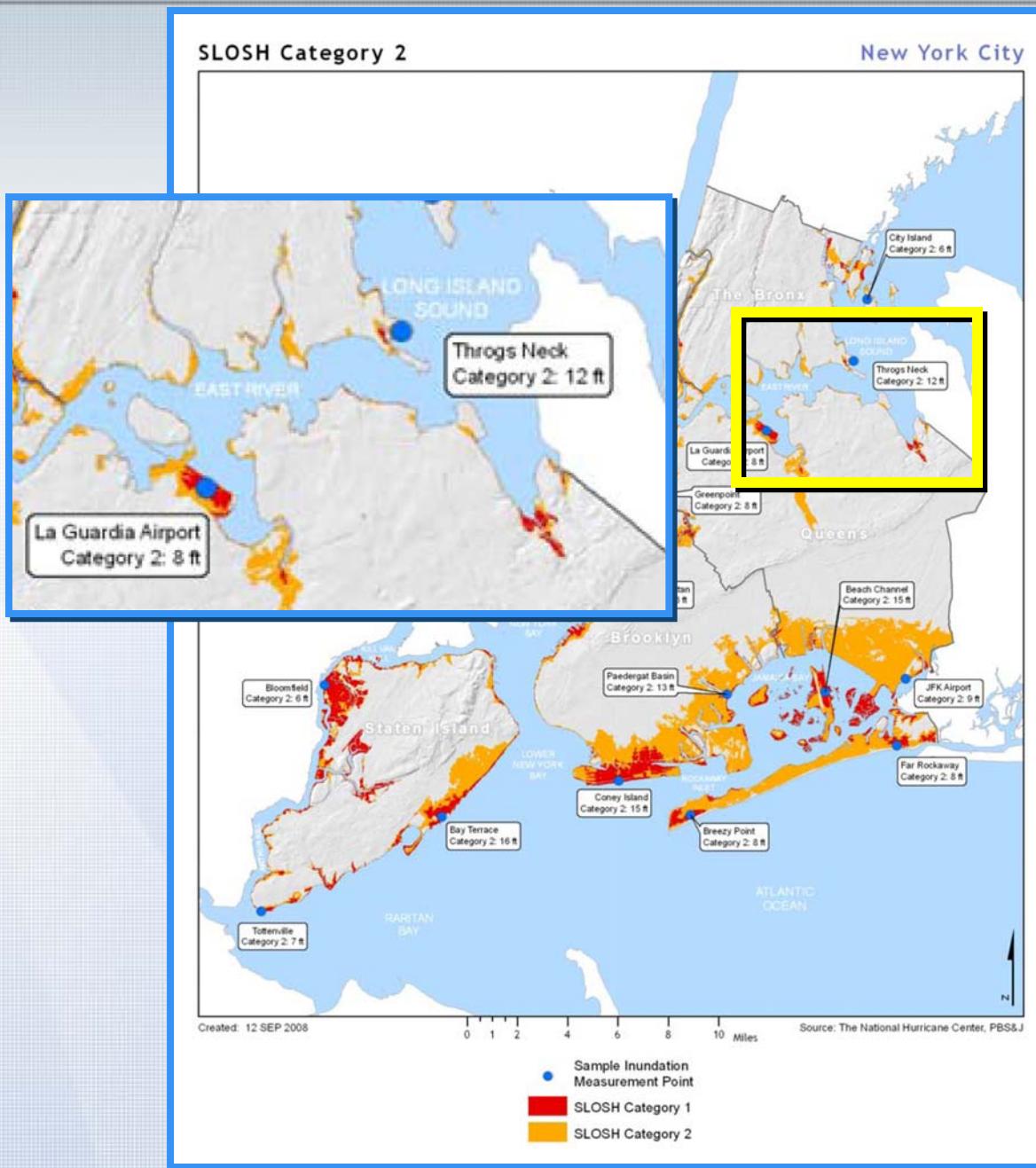


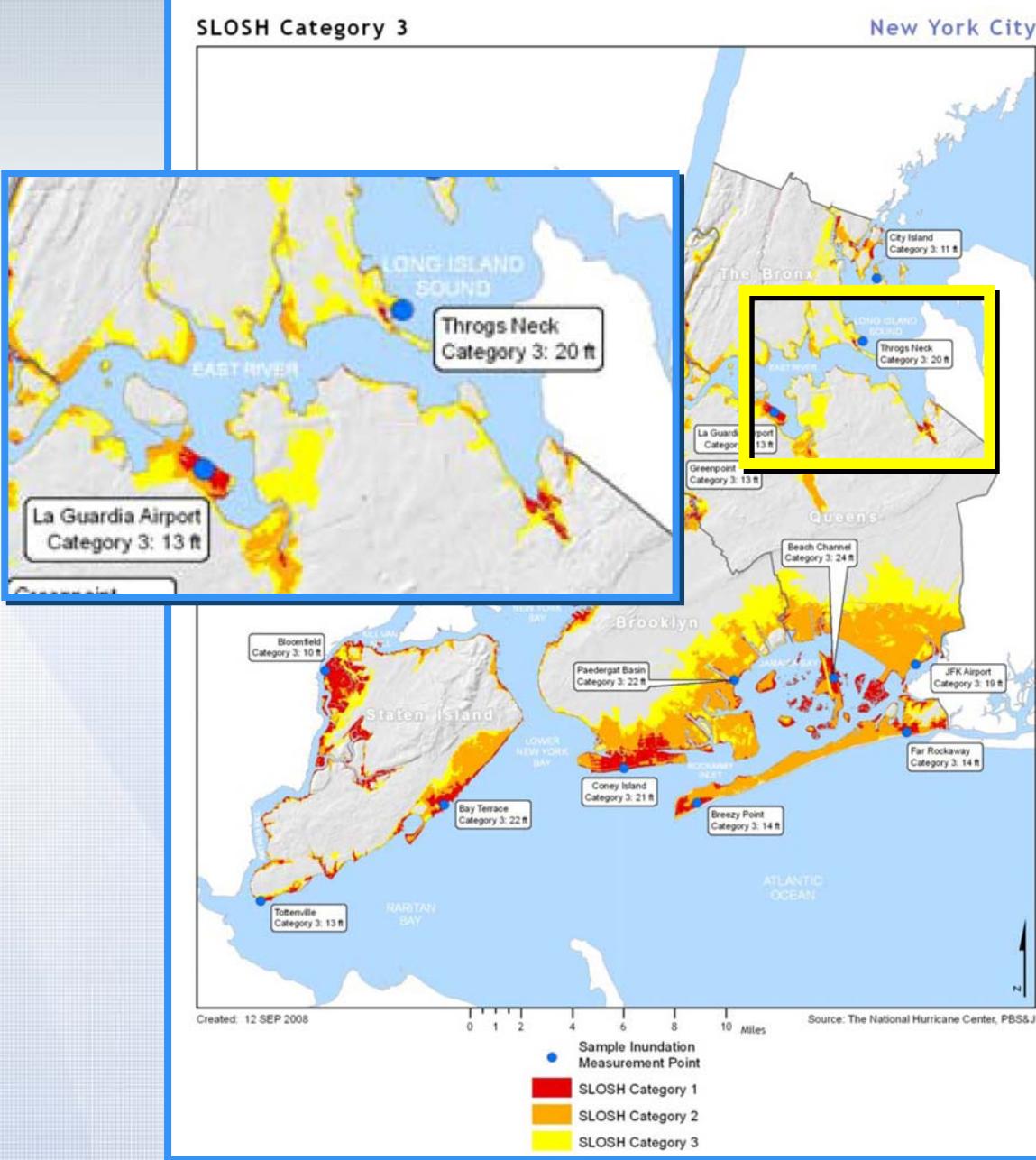


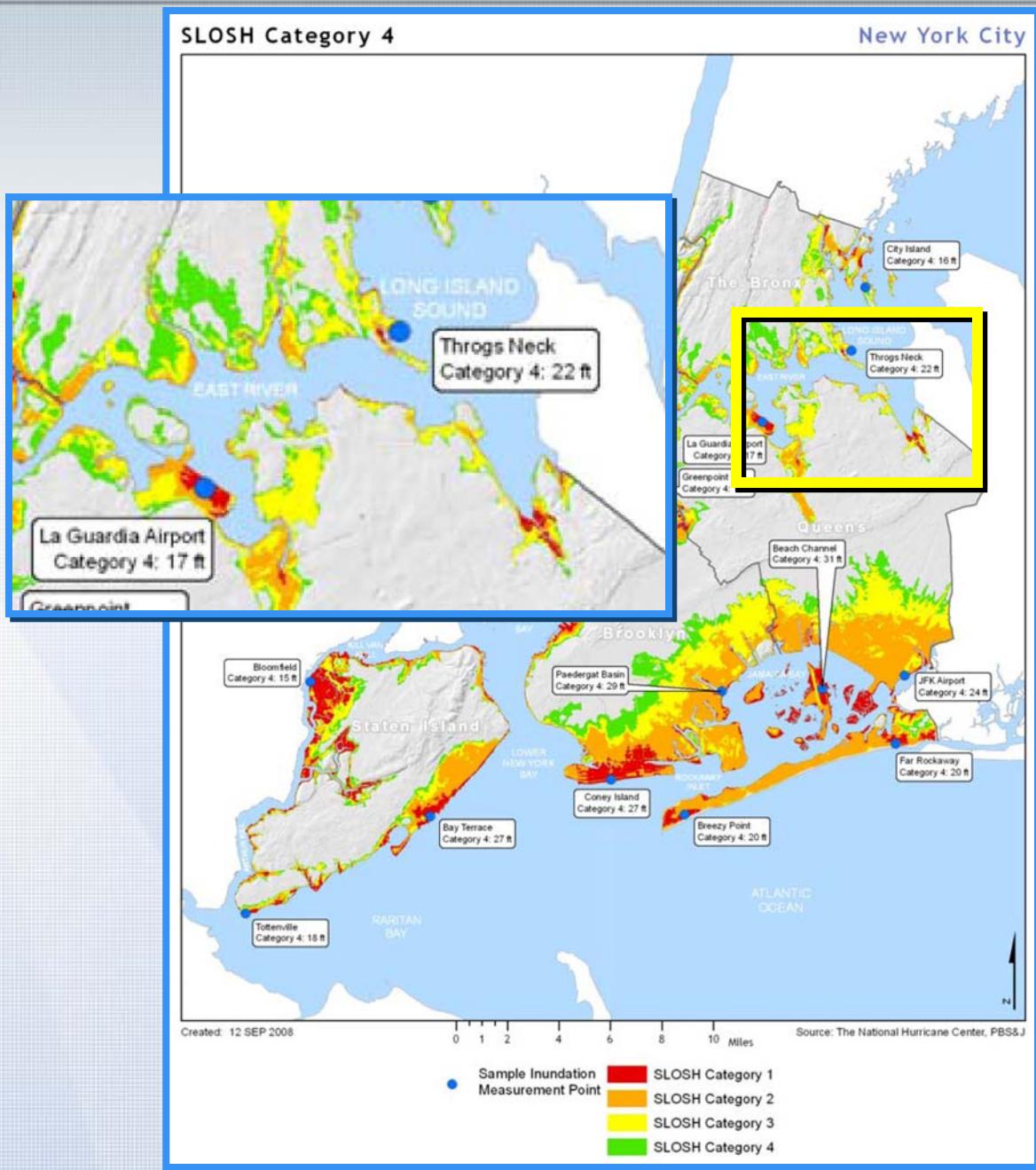












Expected Sea Level Rise at Throgs Neck Due to a Hurricane

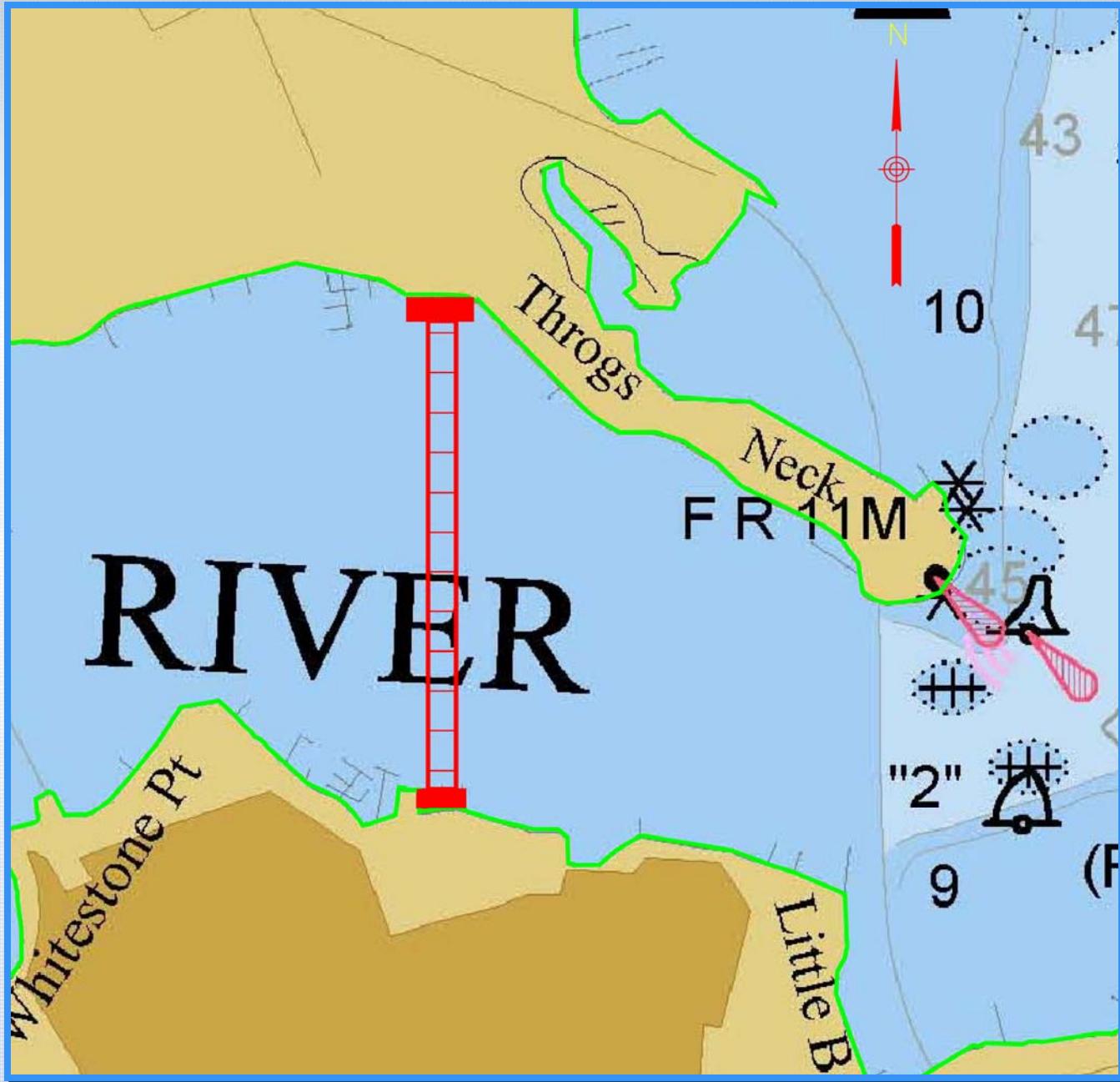
Hurricane Category	Rise (Feet)
1	7
2	12
3	20
4	22
5	<i>Not Reported</i>

Hurricane Category	Return Period (Years)
1	17
2	39
3	68
4	150
5	370

Design Water Rise

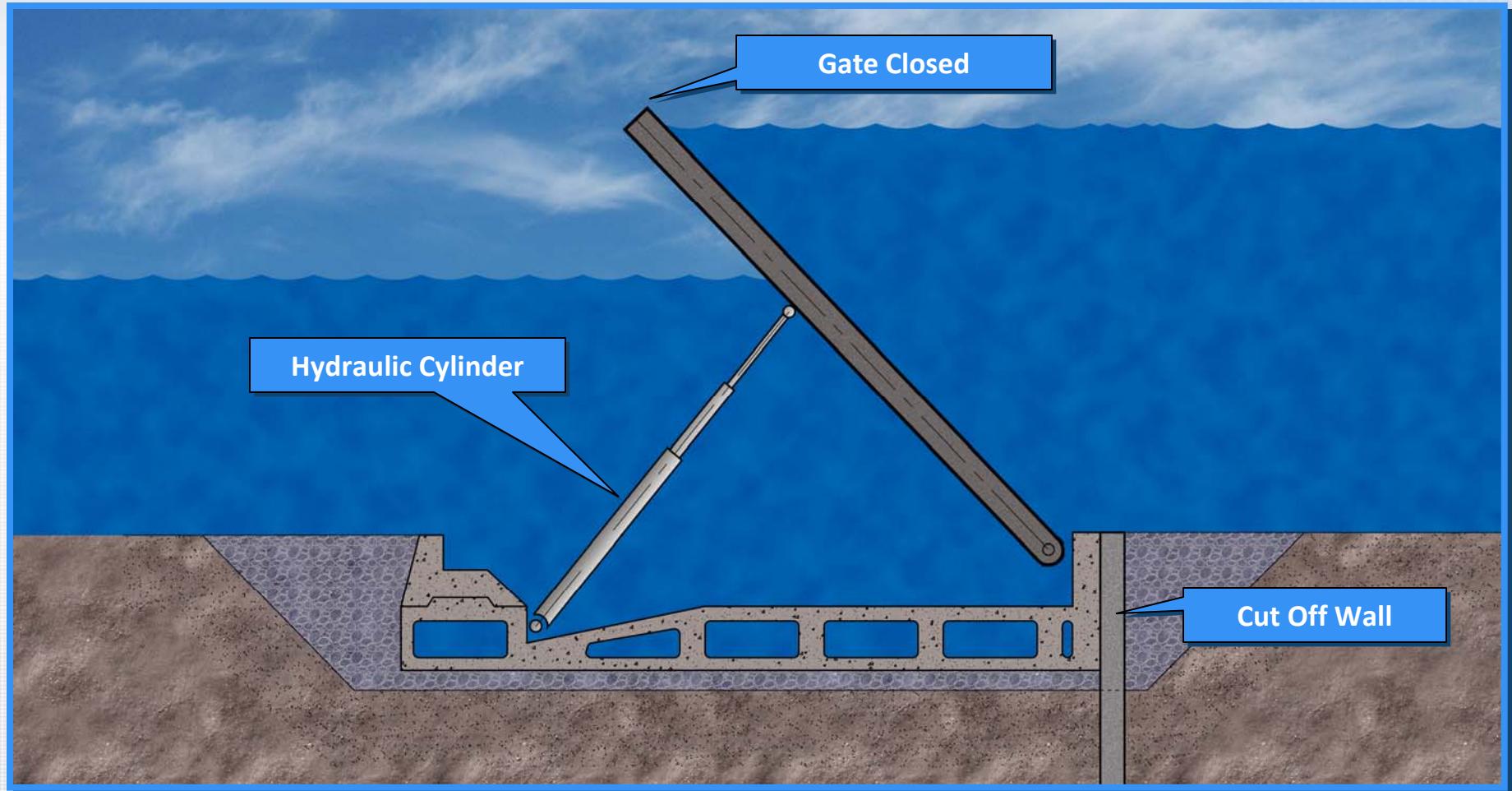
- 22 foot rise due to 150 year storm surge
- 2 foot added rise in water level outside the barrier
- 2 foot increase in the sea level (vs. 41 to 55 inches if rapid ice melt)
- Total water level rise = $22 + 2 + 2 = 26$ ft.

Proposed East River Barrier



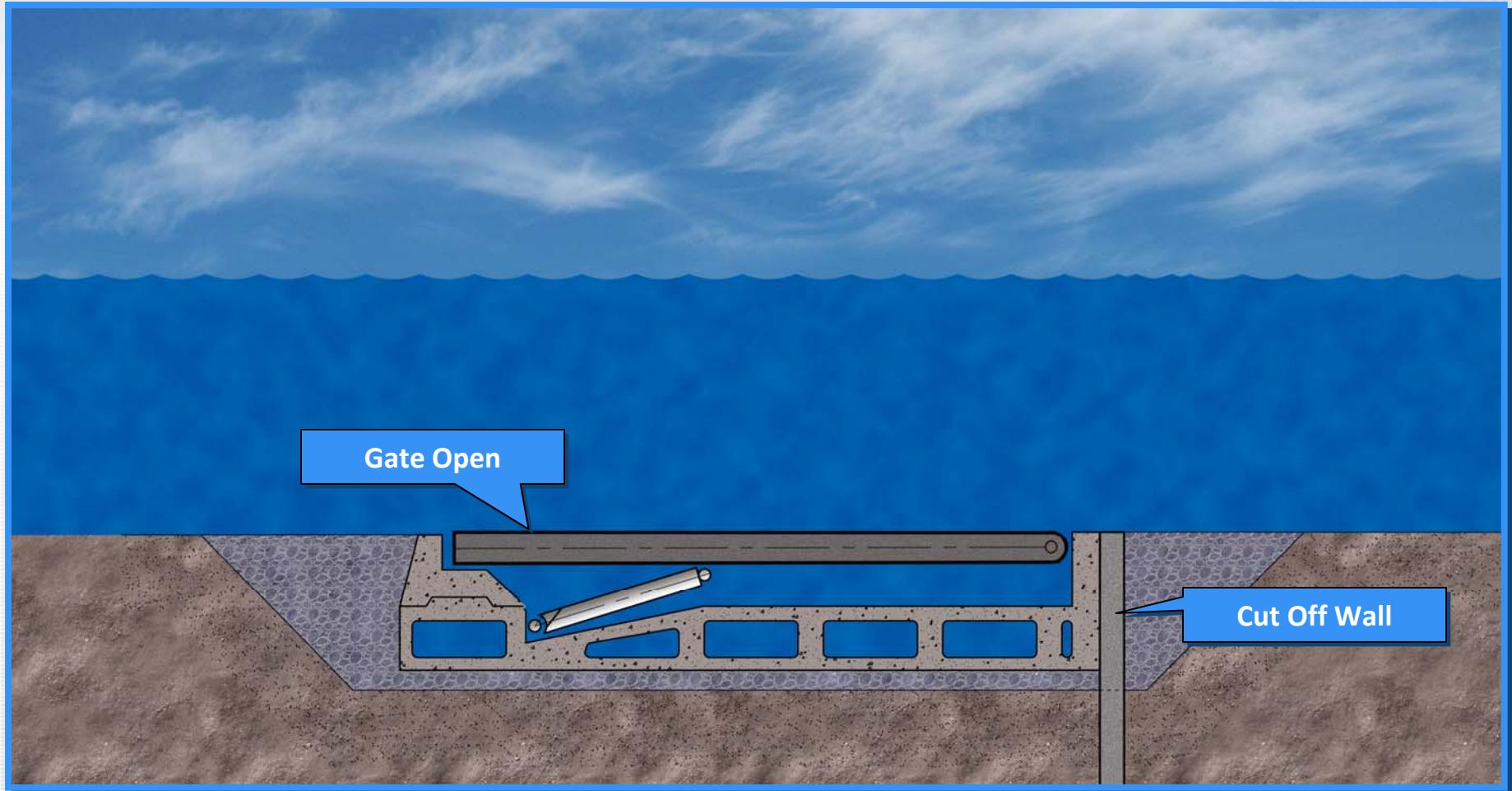
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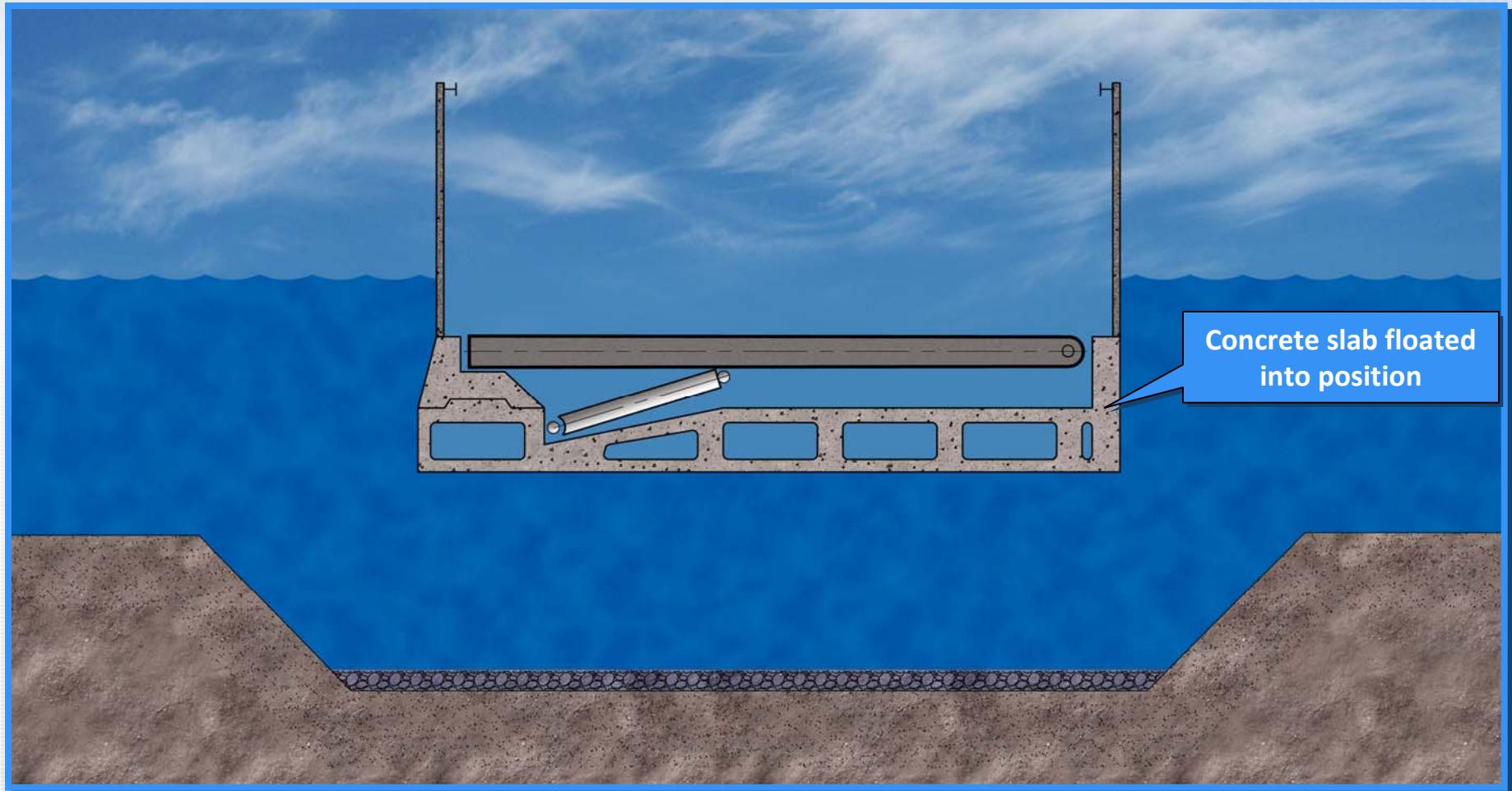
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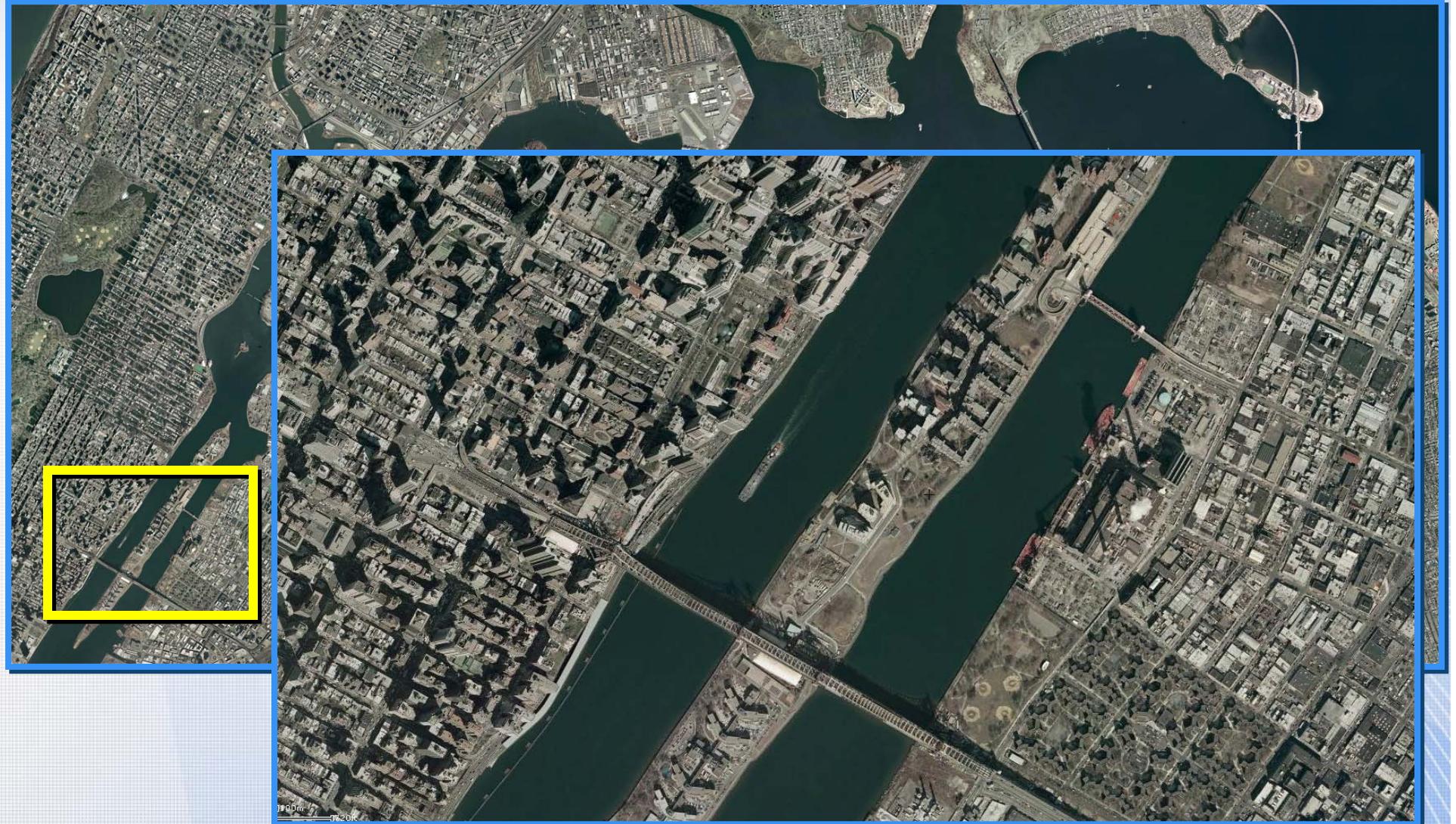


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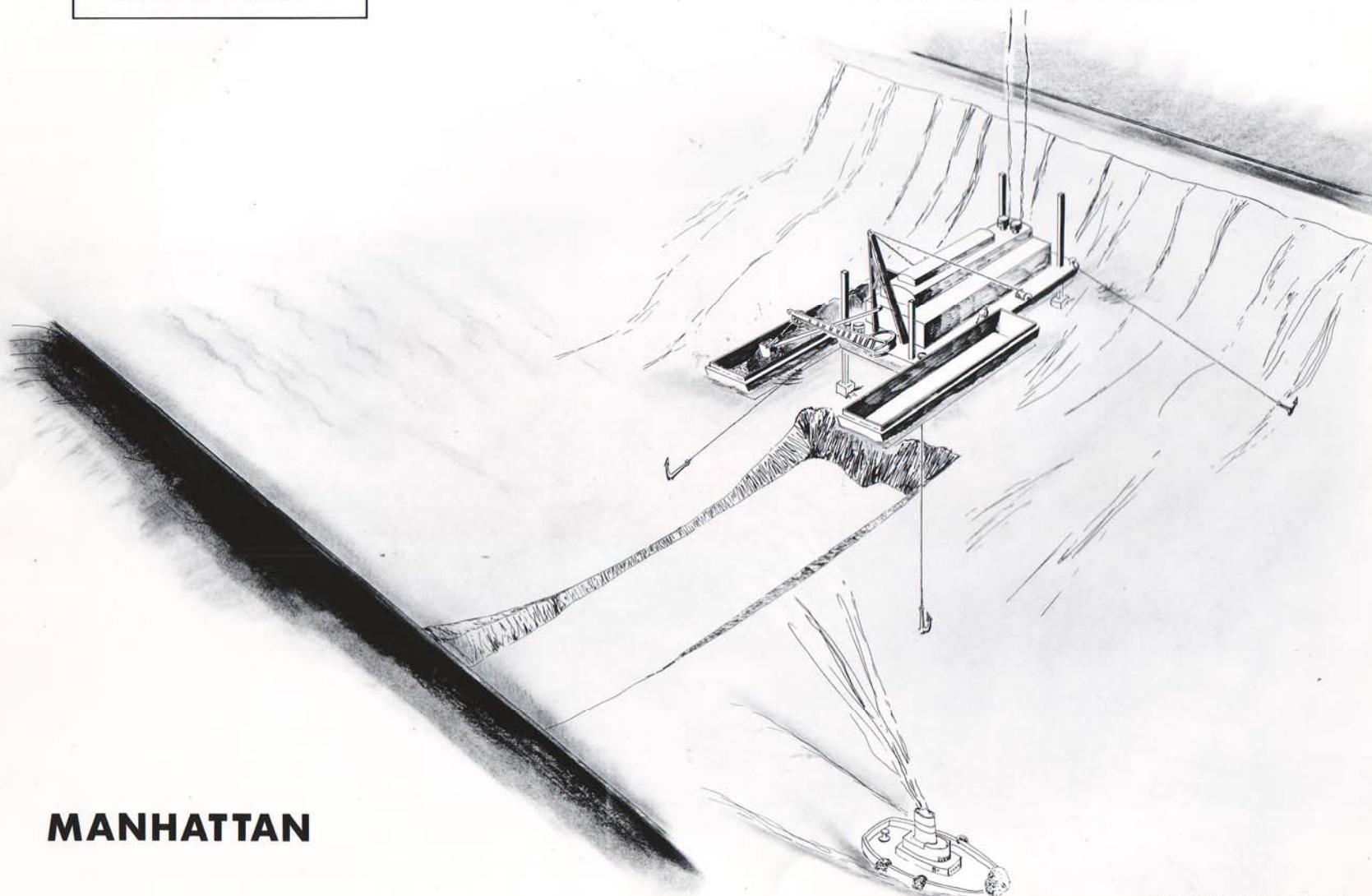


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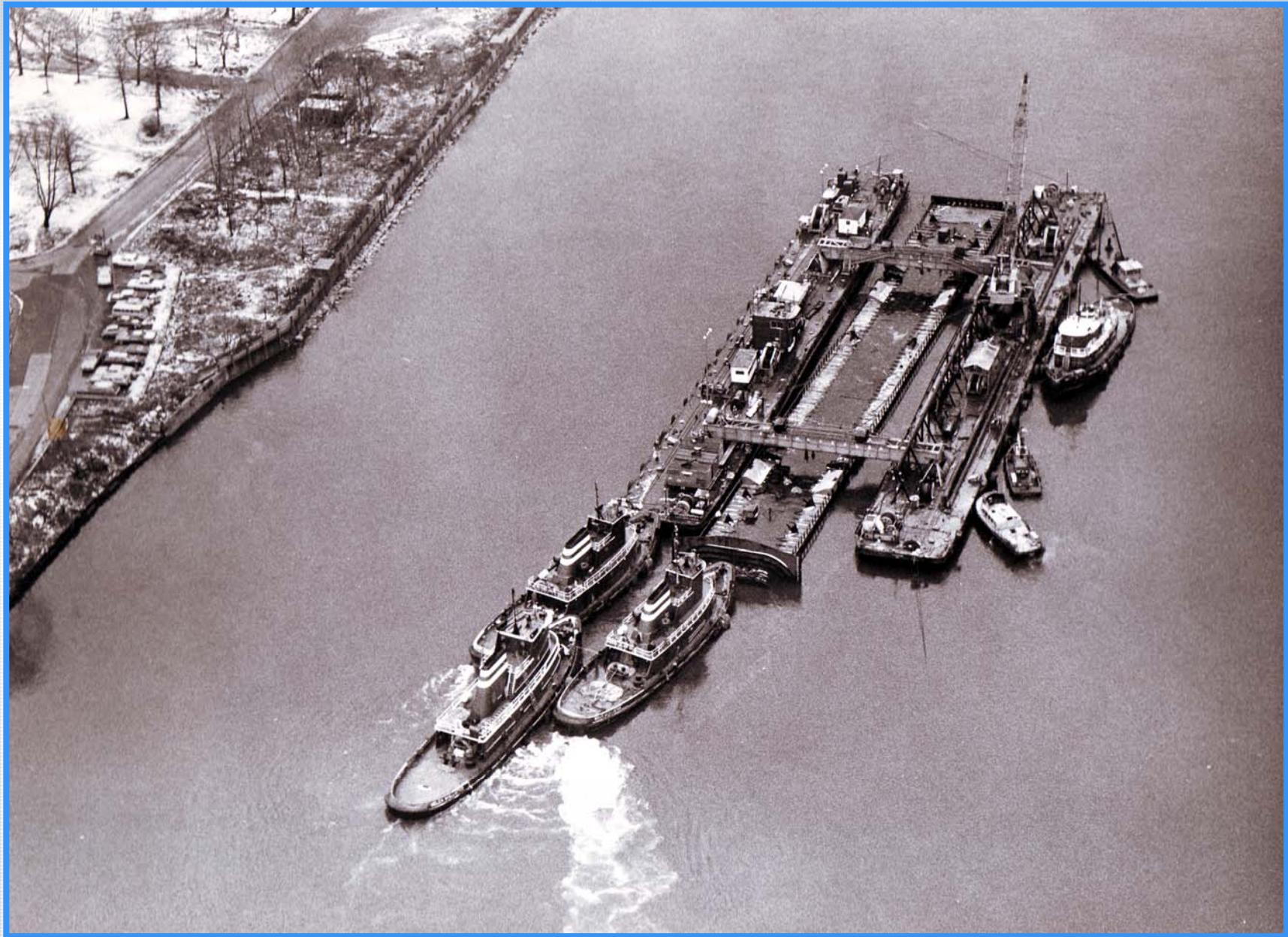


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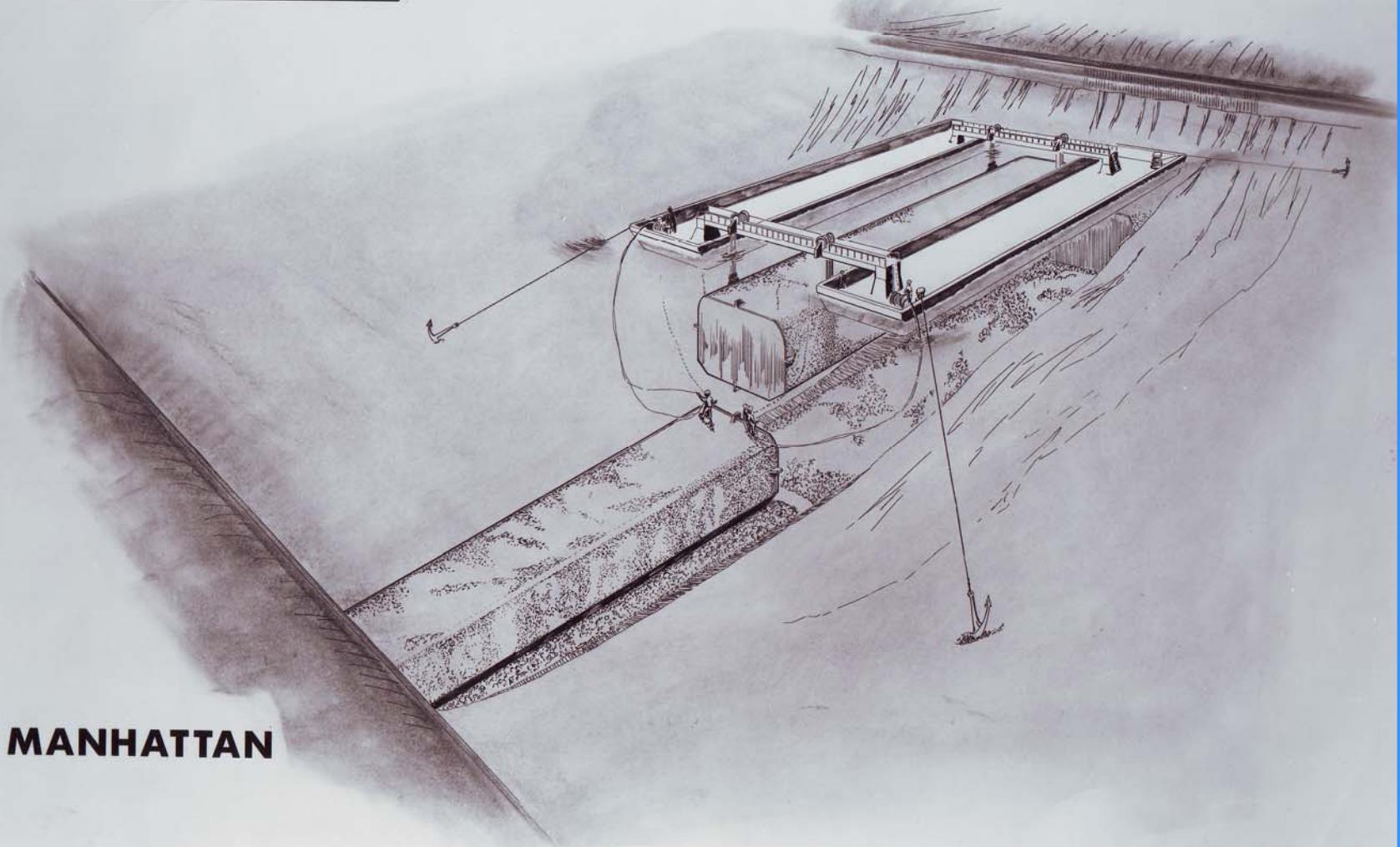
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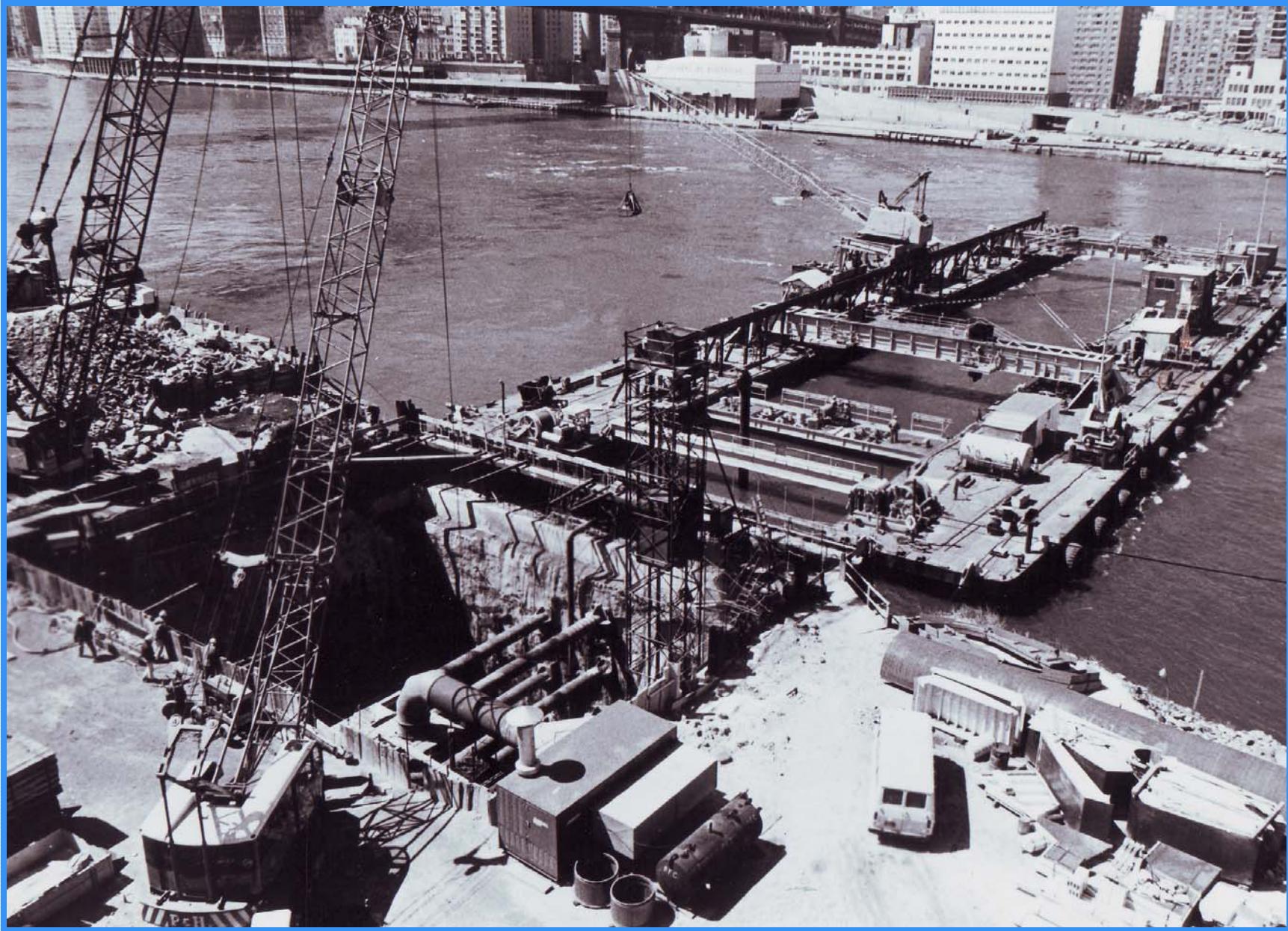
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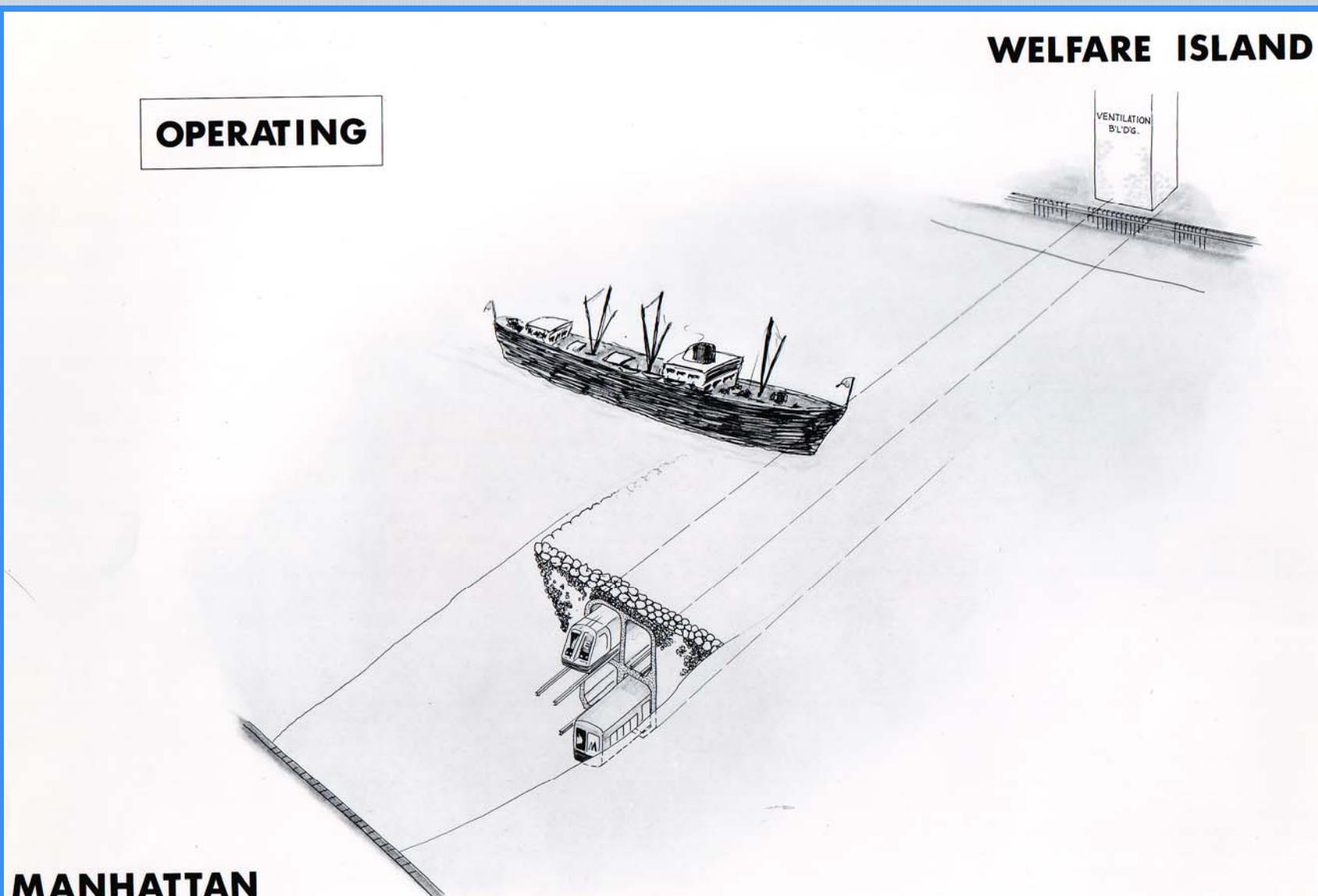
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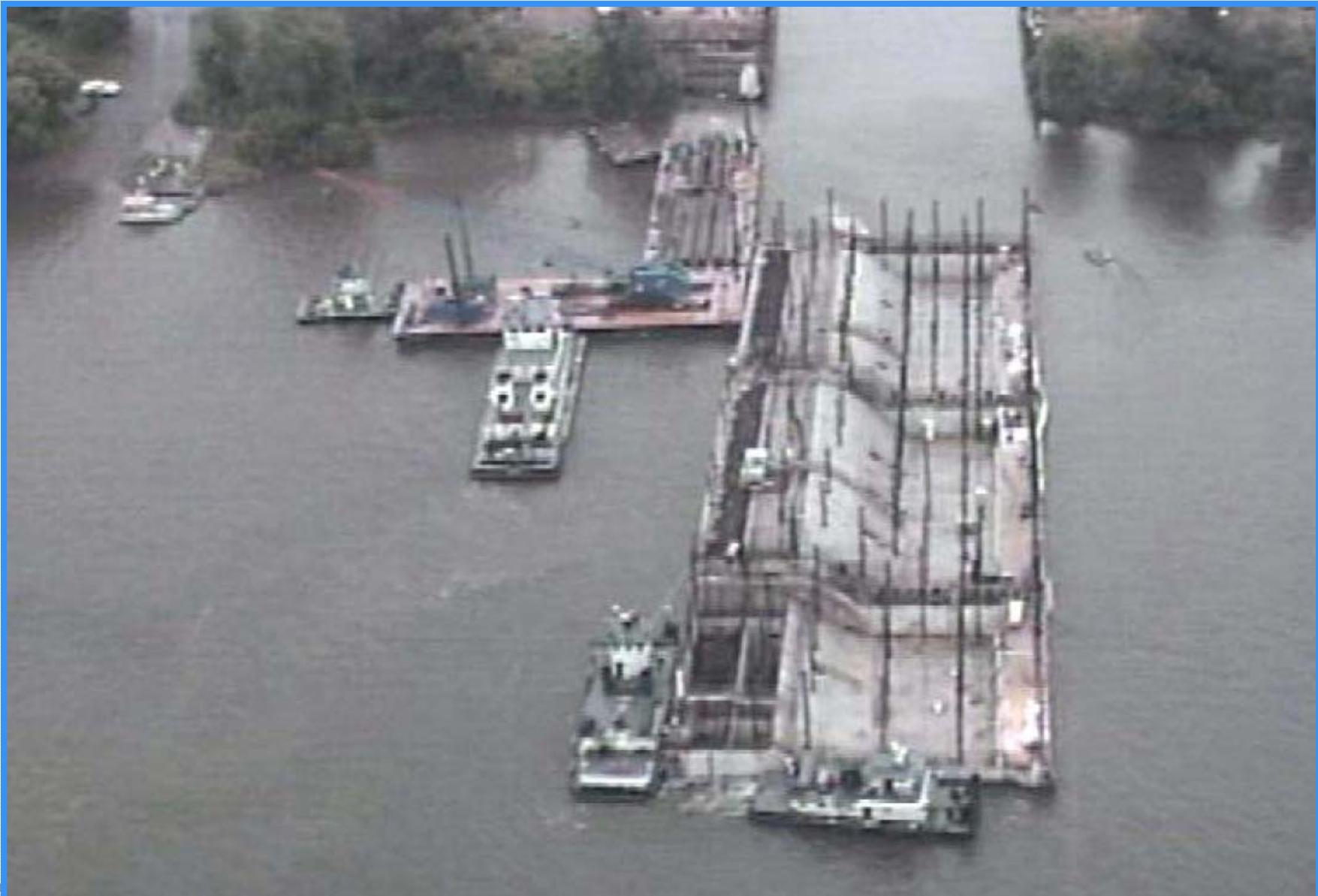
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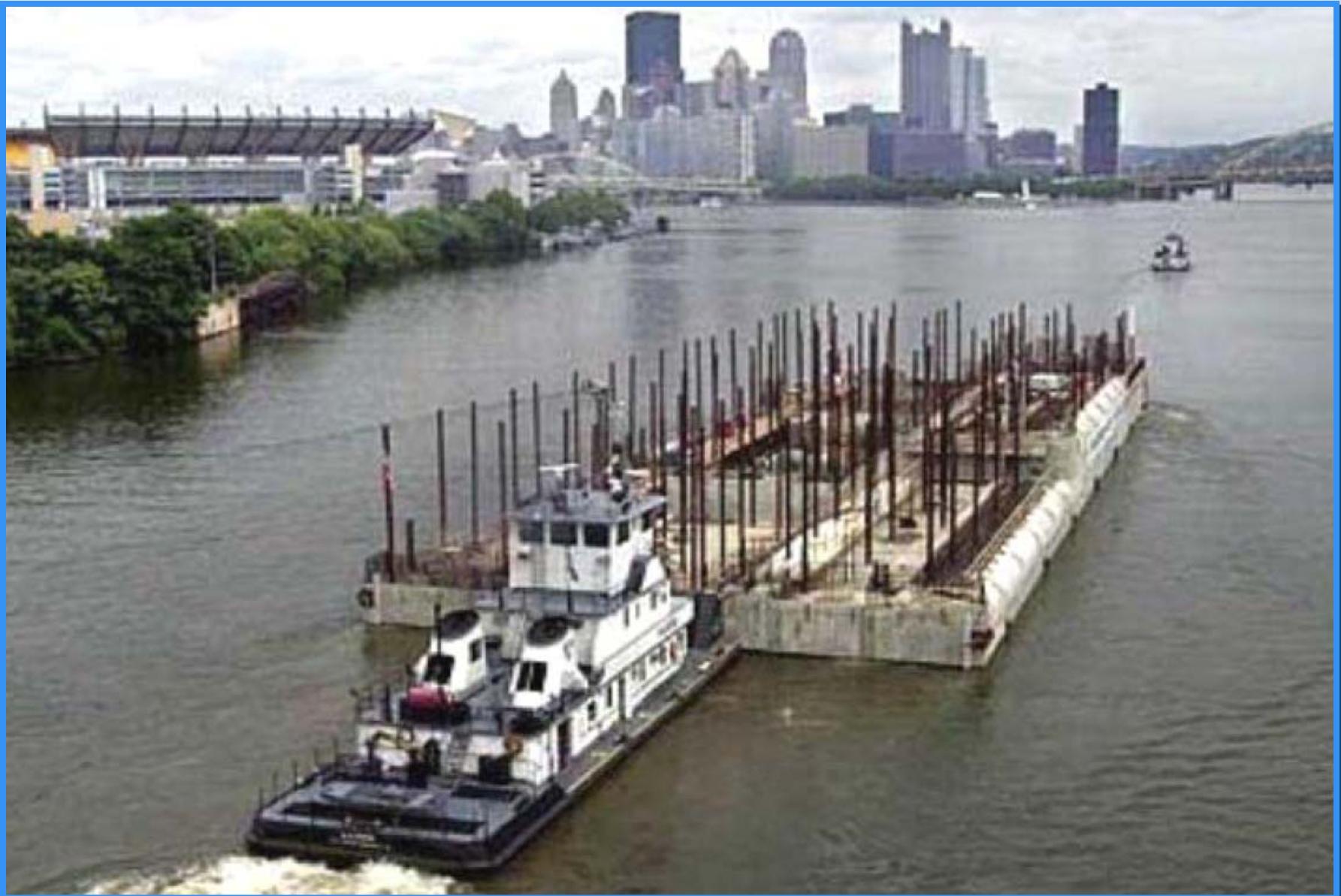
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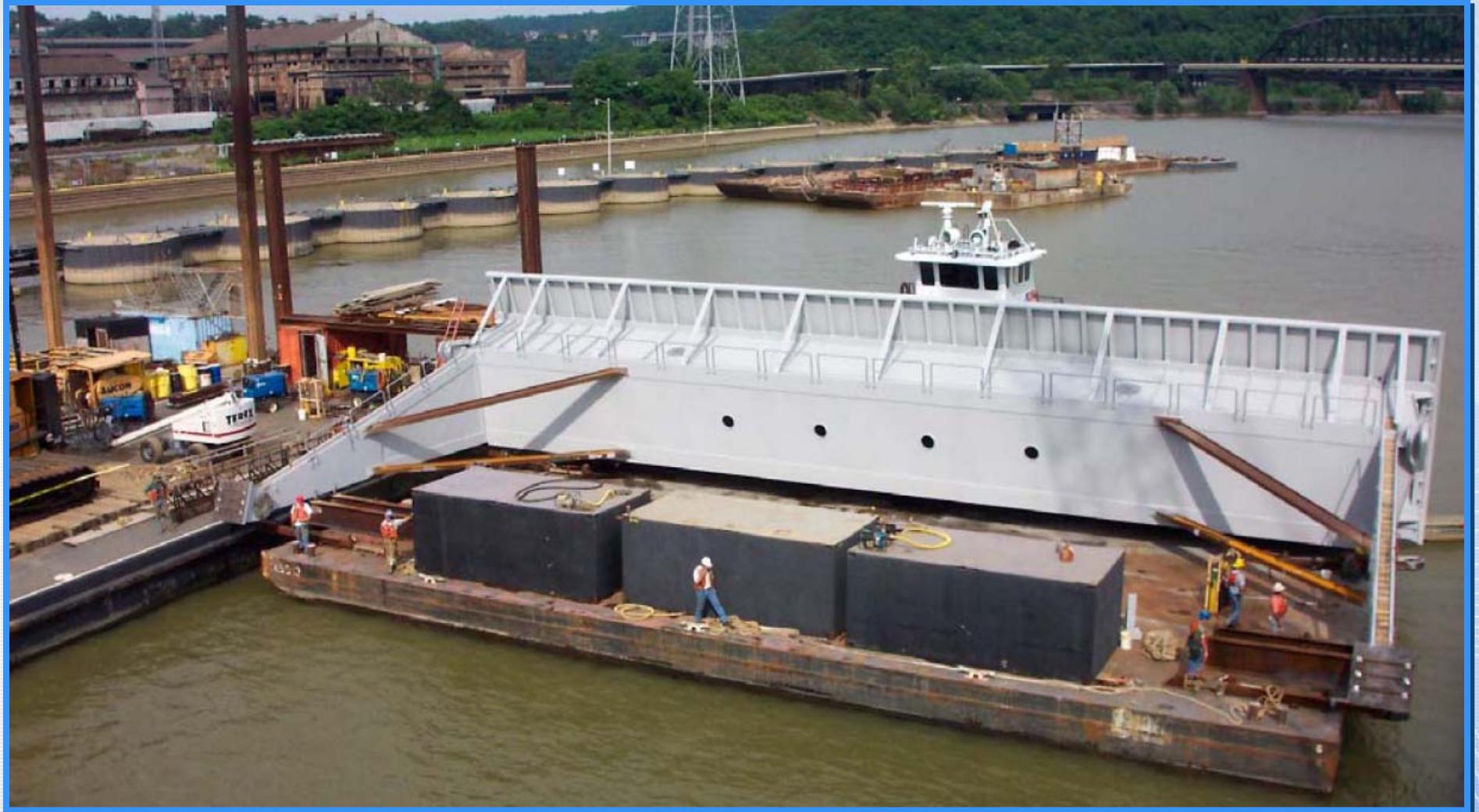
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