



REGION 4

ATLANTA, GA 30303

November 5, 2024

PRELIMINARY FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

To: All Interested Persons

In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Parts 1500 – 1508) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) procedures for implementing NEPA (40 CFR part 6), the EPA completed an independent environmental review of the proposed project as described below:

Project Name: Fulton County for the Friendship Pump Station Project

Name and Address of Applicant: Fulton County of Public Works
141 Pryor Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Project Location: Fulton County, Georgia

EPA Community Grant Amount: \$3,452,972

Background

The Fiscal Year 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 117-328) included Congressional funding for water infrastructure projects which are awarded through the EPA Community Grant Program. Fulton County Public Works was designated to receive appropriations funding support from the EPA for the Friendship Pump Station Project (the Proposed Action). The Proposed Action will provide sanitary sewer service for Chattahoochee Hills, which estimates a population increase of 17,000 people by the 2050 decade. The Proposed Action in Fulton County, GA will install a pump station with appurtenances, 10,500 feet of force main, 18 manholes, and 2,100 feet of gravity sewer connection to the existing sanitary sewer system. This Proposed Action will provide sanitary sewer service to the community and allow for economic growth to occur.

Environmental Review

The EPA completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project and, based on the environmental impacts described in the EA (Enclosure 1), determined that no significant

environmental impacts are anticipated from the issuance of the grant and the Proposed Action does not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, making the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) unnecessary. Therefore, the EPA is issuing this preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) to document this determination.

This preliminary FONSI determination will be made available for a 30-day public comment period as required by 40 CFR Part 6.203. An electronic copy of the EA is available for download from the EPA's NEPA Compliance Database at <https://cdxapps.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-II/public/action/nepa/search>.

Comments regarding this preliminary decision may be submitted for consideration to:

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After evaluating any comments received, the EPA will make a final decision. This preliminary decision and finding will then become final after the 30-day comment period expires if no new significant information is provided to alter this finding.

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Manager, Grants and Infrastructure Branch

Date

Enclosure:
Environmental Assessment of Fulton County for the Friendship Pump Station Project