



# State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

## Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

### PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

**CITY OF CROWN POINT**  
**POST CONSTRUCTION MONITORING, SJA MODIFICATION, AND PER ASSEMBLY**  
**PER ADDENDUM #1**  
**SRF # WW 12 45 16 03 and WW 09 11 445 02**

**Date: October 22, 2013**

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in Addendum #1 to the City of Crown Point's Preliminary Engineering Report submitted to the SRF on September 16, 2013 will have no substantial negative environmental impact. Therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion from the requirements of substantive environmental review.

*How were environmental issues considered?*

The National Environmental Policy Act requires agencies disbursing Federal funds to include environmental factors in the decision making process. A summary of the project is attached for your review. The SRF's preliminary review has found that the proposed project does not require the preparation of either an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement.

*Why is additional environmental review not required?*

Our environmental review has concluded that significant environmental impacts will not result from the proposed action.

*How do I submit comments?*

Comments can be submitted to:

Sarah Hudson, Senior Environmental Manager  
SRF Programs  
317-232-8663; [sahudson@ifa.in.gov](mailto:sahudson@ifa.in.gov)

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# CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

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## I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name: **Post Construction Monitoring, SJA Modification,  
and PER Assembly  
PER Addendum #1**

SRF Project Number: WW 12 45 16 03 and WW 09 11 445 02

Authorized Representative and Address: The Honorable David Uran, Mayor  
City of Crown Point  
104 N. East Street  
Crown Point, IN 46307

## II. PROJECT LOCATION

Crown Point is located in Lake County. The proposed post construction monitoring will occur at various locations throughout the Crown Point wastewater collection system service area.

## III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

Under two previous State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) loans, the City of Crown Point conducted improvements and rehabilitation to their wastewater collection system. To further evaluate the impact of those improvements, the City wants to utilize the remaining balances from both SRF loans to conduct post construction flow monitoring, hydraulic modeling updates, State Judicial Agreement (SJA) modifications, and engineering work to assemble a preliminary engineering report (PER) for wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) improvements. There is no construction activity associated with this proposed work.

## IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS AND FUNDING

### A. Selected Plan Estimated Cost Summary

<u>Components</u>	<u>Costs</u>
SJA Modifications	\$ 34,600
Post Construction Flow Modeling/Modeling	320,752
WWTP PER	<u>53,022</u>
Total Estimated Cost	\$408,374

- B. Crown Point will use remaining loan balances in SRF Loans WW 12 45 16 03 and WW 09 11 44 502 to fund the project. Monthly user rates and charges will not have to be adjusted for loan repayment.

## V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

The post construction monitoring will occur entirely within existing wastewater infrastructure. The post construction modeling, SJA Modification, and WWTP Improvements PER Assembly do not involve construction activities. No excavation is expected.

The project will not affect wetlands, wooded areas, surface waters, 100-year floodplain or prime farmland.

Construction and operation of the project will not alter, demolish, or remove historic properties. The SRF's finding pursuant to the Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected."

## VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A public notice was published on September 2, 2013 in the Post Tribune. No comments were received by the City.