



State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

TOWN OF MILTON
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT, ADDENDUM # 1
UTILITY TRUCK AND SPARE LIFT STATION PUMP PURCHASE
NEW WASTEWATER COLLECTION AND FORCE MAIN PROJECT
SRF # WW 09 76 89 01

Date: January 7, 2013

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in the city's Preliminary Engineering Report Addendum #1 received by the SRF on December 12, 2012 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:

Amy Henninger, Senior Environmental Manager
SRF Programs
317-232-6566 or ahenning at ifa.in.gov

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: New Wastewater Collection and Force Main Project
Preliminary Engineering Report, Addendum #1,
Utility Truck and Spare Lift Station Pump Purchase
Town of Milton
113 East Main Street
Milton, IN 47357

SRF Project Number: WW 09768901

Authorized Representative: Mr. Terry Craig, Clerk-Treasurer

II. PROJECT LOCATION

Milton is located in Wayne County. The utility truck that is to be purchased would be used throughout the community by utility personnel, specifically on the sewer system. The purchase of the spare pump is for the main lift station.

III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

The utility truck proposed to be purchased by this Preliminary Engineering Report, Addendum #1 would allow utility personnel to access with maintenance equipment the sewer piping system that transports Milton's wastewater flow to Connersville for treatment for periodic maintenance of the sewer line. The purchase of the spare lift station pump is necessary to be used as a replacement pump in the event that existing pumps fail at the main lift station.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY AND FUNDING

The estimated cost for the utility truck purchase is approximately \$21,000. The spare lift station pump purchase is approximately \$9,450. The total amount for the equipment purchase is approximately \$30,450. This equipment will be purchased with funds remaining in the SRF Loan WW 09768901.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

The utility truck would be used at various locations within the city, but all locations would be maintenance work to existing sewer in previously disturbed areas. The spare lift station pump is for the main lift station to be used as a replacement pump during pump failure at this lift station. This addendum does not include the installation of the replacement pump.

The project will not affect streams, wetlands, wooded areas, the 100-year floodplain or other sensitive environmental resources and will not convert prime farmland.

The project does not include construction. Operation of the purchase equipment will not alter, demolish or remove historic properties. If any visual or audible impacts to historic properties occur, they will be temporary and will not alter the characteristics that qualify such properties for inclusion in or eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. The SRF's finding pursuant to Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected."

IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The purchase of the equipment was discussed at a properly noticed public meeting on December 11, 2012 at the Milton Town Hall.