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 FORT WAYNE
RELOCATION OF THE GLENDALE ROAD LIFT STATION
(FORMERLY JUNK DITCH PUMP STATION) PROJECT
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT ADDENDUM #4
SRF Project WW 14 31 02 07 Project 15

Date: March 25, 2016

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in the City of Fort Wayne's Addendum # 4 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:

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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address:	**Relocation of the Glendale Road Lift Station (Formerly Junk Ditch Pump Station) Project Preliminary Engineering Report Addendum #4** City of Fort Wayne 200 East Berry Street, Suite 270 Fort Wayne, IN 46802
SRF Project Number:	WW 14 31 02 07 – Project 15
Authorized Representative:	Mr. Kumar Menon, Director of Public Works

II. PROJECT LOCATION

Fort Wayne is located in Allen County. The Junk Ditch Pump Station project area is located on the Fort Wayne West USGS 7.5' topographic quadrangle in Wayne Township, T30N, R12E and section 8. **The specific location of the lift station has changed from the original project**, see Figures 1 and 2.

III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

The State Revolving Fund Loan Program approved the original Junk Ditch Lift Station project on October 15, 2014, which proposed two lift stations in the southwest area of the city's sewer system that would reduce two sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) on the Junk Ditch interceptor by 3.4 million gallons.

One of the lift stations was the Junk Ditch lift station having a firm capacity of 2.7 million gallons per day that would pump the flows approximately 9,400 feet via an 18-inch force main to the Aqua Midwest wastewater treatment plant for treatment.

During design the city had to change the location of the lift station, since they were unable to secure the originally proposed construction site. The lift station will be moved and renamed the Glendale Road Lift Station.

Several alternatives were evaluated including the "No Action" alternative.

The "No Action" alternative was rejected since the Junk Ditch interceptor would continue to surcharge during wet weather conditions and the city would not be in compliance with its Long Term Control Plan or Consent Decree.

The alternative to optimally operate the sewer system was rejected since the city currently operates the combined sewer system as effectively as possible with continual observation and maintenance, but with no affect in reducing SSOs at this location.

The city rejected the collection system rehabilitation/replacement" alternative since this will not address the problems with surcharging and SSOs at this location.

The selected alternative includes: relocating the lift station and its associated 18-inch force main approximately 400 feet west of the original construction site at the intersection of Smith Road and Glendale Road; and installing approximately 190 feet of a 24-inch sanitary sewer connecting the Junk Ditch Interceptor to the lift station.

IV. Estimated Project Costs, Affordability and Funding

The total estimated project cost will not change and remain at $1,829,000. Fort Wayne will use funds from an existing State Revolving Fund loan, which the city closed on November 14, 2014. The force main will be paid with local funds.

V. Environmental Impacts of the Feasible Alternatives

The project will occur in a previously disturbed area and will not affect endangered species or their habitat, streams, wetlands, or the 100-year floodplain.

Construction and operation of the project 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".

VI. Public Participation

A public notice of the project was published on March 4, 2016. No written comments were received during the 5-day comment period following the public notice.

GLENDALE ROAD LIFT STATION

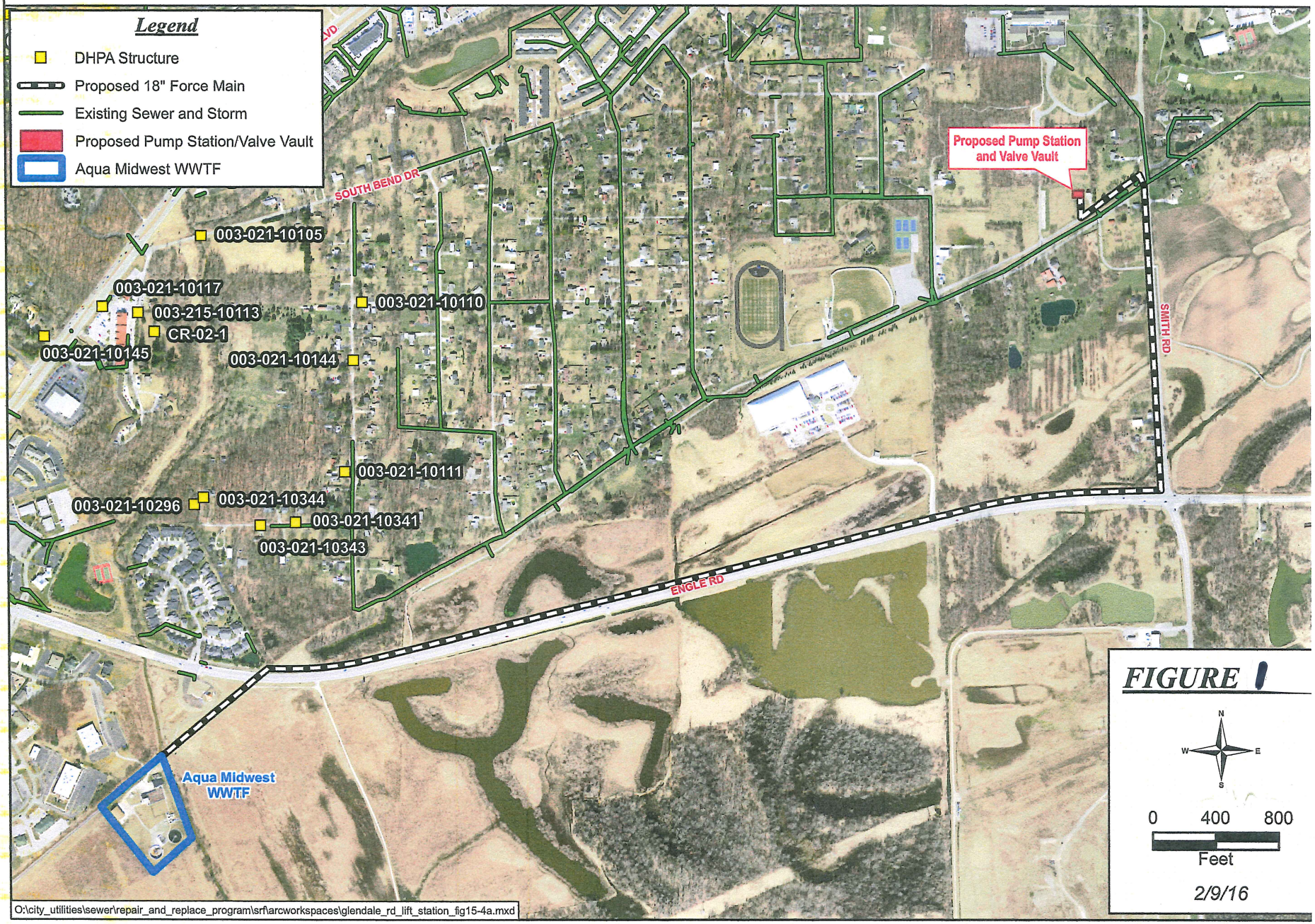

FIGURE 1

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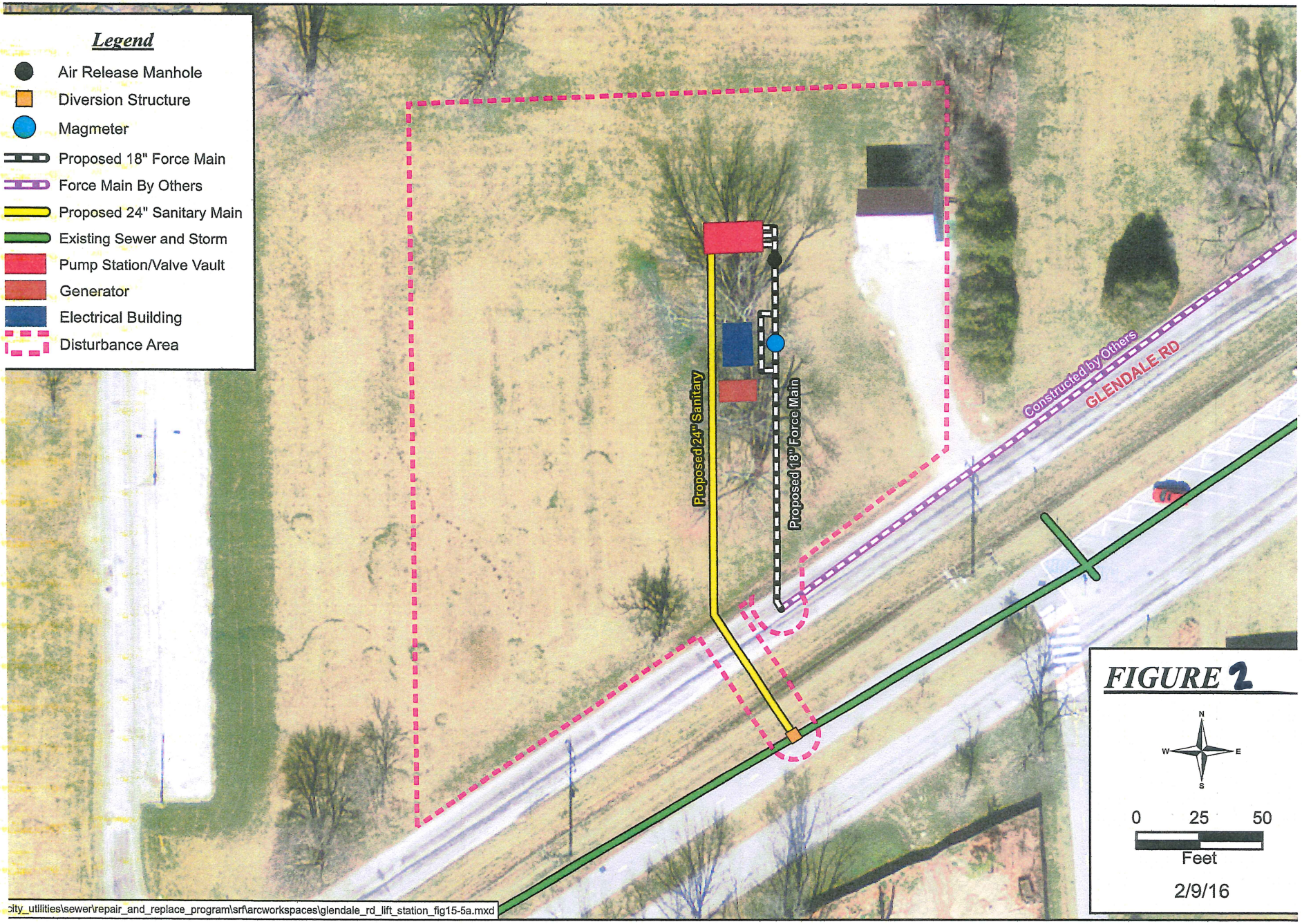
GLENDALE ROAD LIFT STATION



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