



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 JEFFERSONVILLE

**Combined Sewer Overflow Interceptor Installation, Phase 1: 8th St. to 10th St.
SRF # WW12 12 13 07**

Date: April 3, 2014

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in Jeffersonville's Preliminary Engineering Report received by the SRF on January 7, 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:

Max Henschen, Senior Environmental Manager
SRF Programs
317-232-8623; mhensche at ifa.in.gov

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: **Jeffersonville Phase 1 Combined Sewer Overflow
Interceptor Installation: 8th St. to 10th St.**
City of Jeffersonville
Jeffersonville City Hall
500 Quartermaster Court
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

SRF Project Number: WW12 12 13 07

Authorized Representative: Mike Moore, Mayor

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Jeffersonville, Clark County, Jeffersonville civil township, in section 1 of the Jeffersonville USGS 7.5' quadrangle. There are no township/range coordinates. See Figure 1.

III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

A consent decree between Jeffersonville and federal and state authorities requires the city to reduce or eliminate combined sewer overflows (CSOs) into the Ohio River and Cane Run. The city's Long Term Control Plan proposes various improvements to occur between 2010 and 2020 to address the problem.

One of the projects proposed by the LTCP is construction of a new interceptor parallel to the Ohio River to collect combined sewage. In addition to that east-west interceptor, the city will construct another large interceptor running north and south to convey combined sewage from the east-west interceptor north to the Tenth Street Pump Station (TSPS). These two interceptors can store combined sewage until the TSPS can pump it to the Downtown wastewater treatment plant for treatment. The city rejected the "no-action" alternative.

The CSO interceptor project will be done in two phases. The first phase comprises a small part of the north-south interceptor and is being addressed now due to ramp construction for a new bridge in the project area. This Phase 1 project proposes interceptor installation from 8th and Indiana Street north to 10th Street via Indiana Ave., 9th St., and a vacant lot; see Figure 1.

In Phase 1, the city will install approximately 1,200 feet of 8- by 13-foot precast box culverts; these will comprise the north-south interceptor, rather than typical sewer pipe. The box culverts will include flushing systems to remove solids that will accumulate during low flow conditions. The second phase will install the east-west interceptor and rehabilitate existing lines. An existing 21- to 24-inch interceptor in the same route will remain active.

The rest of the CSO Interceptor project will comprise Phase 2 and will be addressed in another environmental document. When completed, the two-phase project will reduce CSO discharges from several active CSOs and improve water quality in the Ohio River and Cane Run.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COST AND FUNDING

The city will fund this first phase with a local \$5.0 million bond anticipation note (BAN). It will also obtain a second local BAN to pay for engineering design for both phases. After the second phase of the CSO interceptor project has been reviewed and approved by the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program, the city will close on a 20-year SRF loan that will cover that phase and both BANs in the amount of \$37,071,498.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

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 National Historic Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected." See Figure 2.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A public hearing was held in the City Council Chambers, at 4:30 P.M. on November 20, 2012 to discuss the Jeffersonville's Combine Sewer Overflow Interceptor project. Members of the public did not attend. No written comments were submitted in the 5-day post-hearing comment period.

Jeffersonville Proposed Phase 1 Interceptor Route

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2013 Aerial

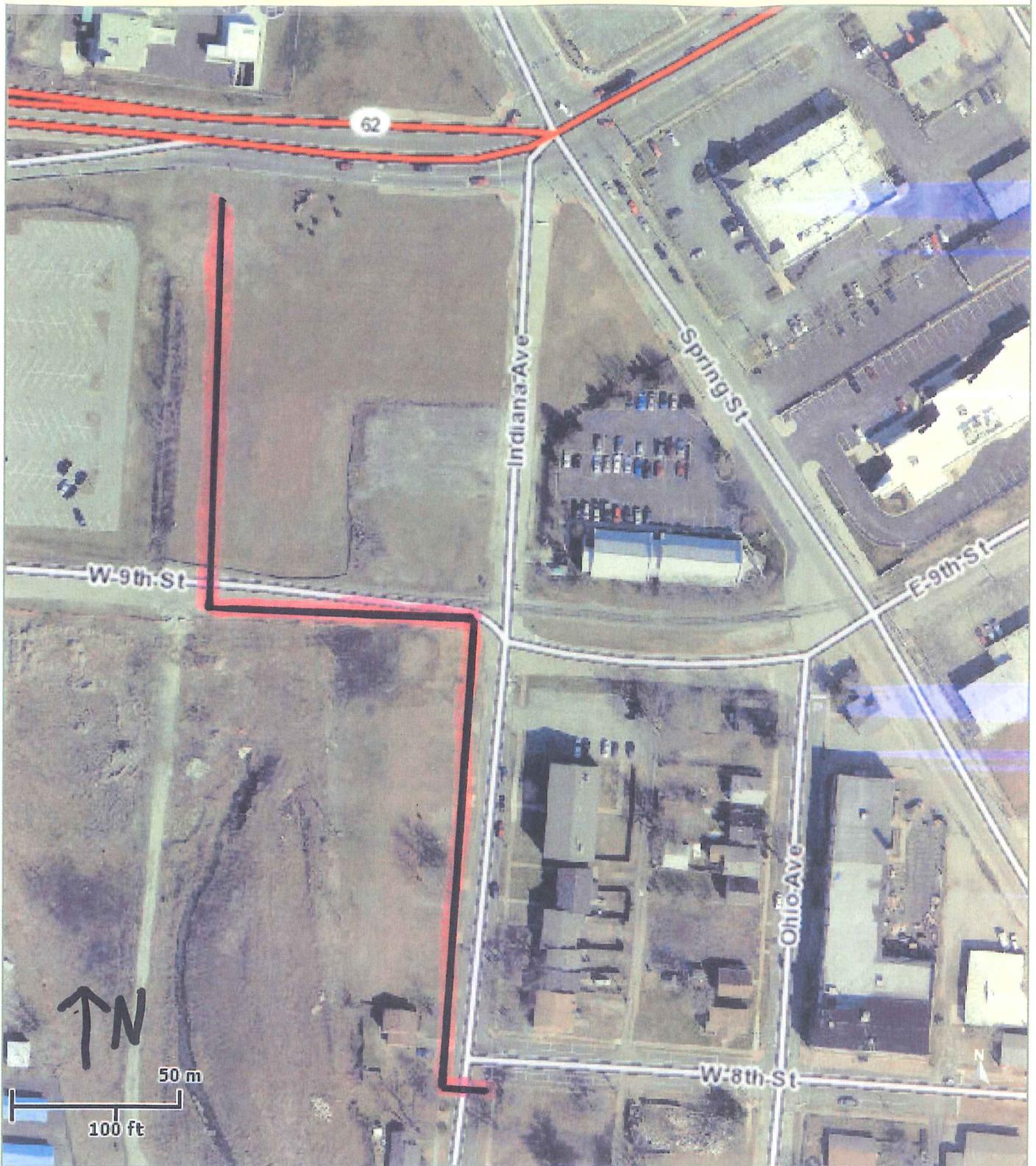
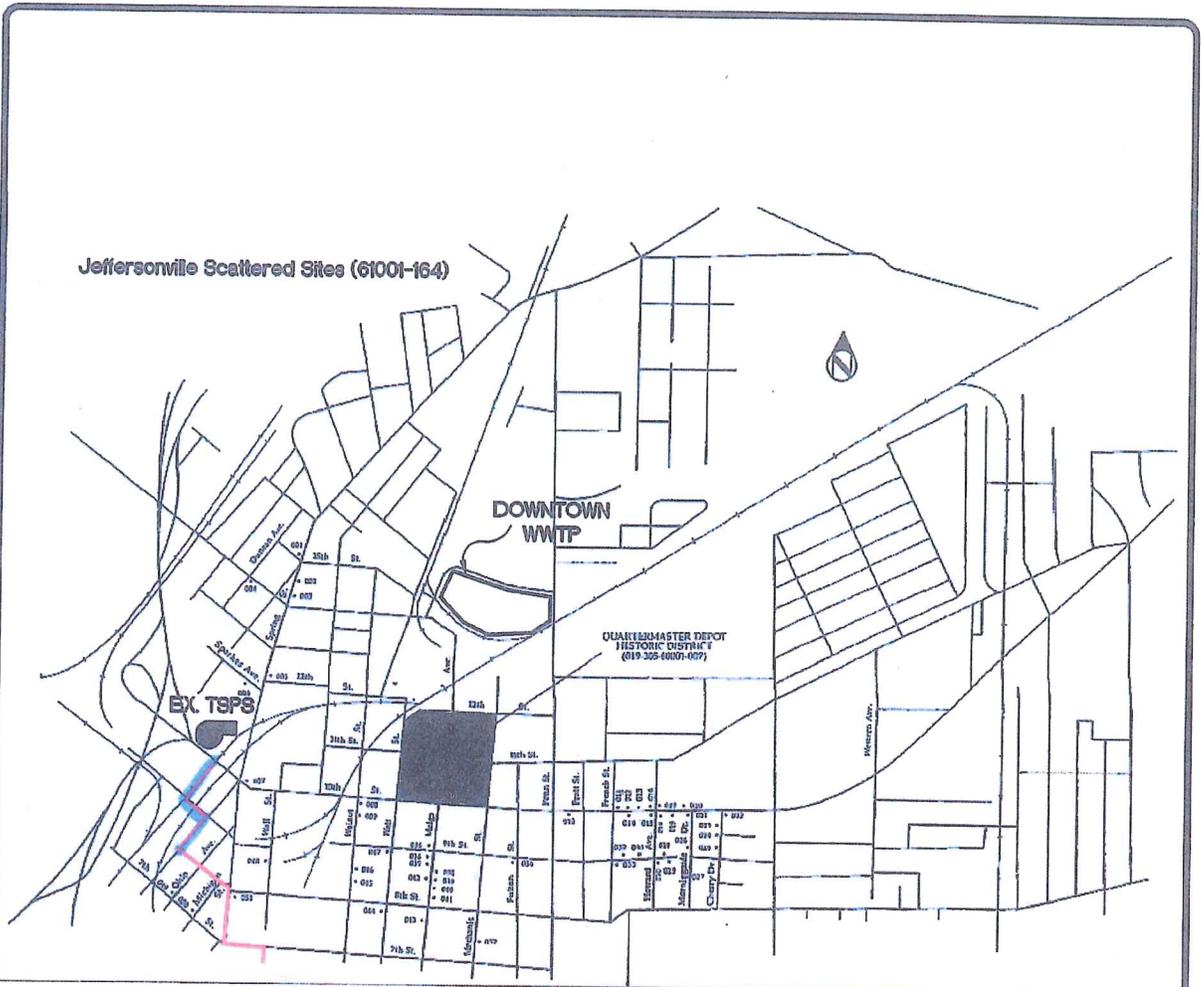


Figure 1



Only the blue line should be reviewed by DHPA at this time.

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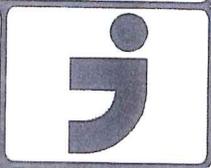
Proposed Phase 1 Interceptor Route 

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 Figure 2: from Clark County Interim Report
 Indiana Historic Sites and Structures Inventory

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