

State Revolving Fund Loan Programs Drinking Water, Clean Water, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

CITY OF BRAZIL WELLAND RAW WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT SRF Project DW24 33 11 00

Date: August 19, 2025

Pursuant to IC 5-1.2-3, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program has determined that the project described here and in the addendum to City of Brazil's Preliminary Engineering Report will have no substantial negative environmental impact. Therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion (CE) 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. In the absence of significant comments, the attached CE shall serve as the final environmental document.

How do I submit comments?

Comments can be submitted to:

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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: Well and Raw Water Main Replacement

City of Brazil

203 East National Avenue

Brazil, IN 47834

SRF Project Number: DW 24 33 11 00

Authorized Representative: Brian Wyndham, Mayor

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Clay County, Van Buren Civil Township, Brazil East USGS 24k Quadrangle, Township 13N, Range 6W, and Section 27. See Figure 1.

III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

The proposed addendum will consist of minor WTP improvements, including piping and control modifications, to implement 4-log virus and pathogen inactivation.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY, AND FUNDING

The total cost of this project is estimated to be approximately \$73,750. The City intends to finance the project with funds from an existing loan from the Drinking Water SRF Loan Program.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

The environmental impacts will be minimal. All project activities will take place in areas previously disturbed by the current treatment plant. The proposed project will not affect streams, floodplains, wetlands, wooded areas, or other sensitive environmental resources and will not convert prime farmland.

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 Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected."

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A public notice was published on March 12, 2024, in The Brazil Times. No written comments were received following the notice for this project.

