



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

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE CITY WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS ADDENDUM 2 SRF Project DW 22 16 89 02

Date: May 29, 2026

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 Town of Cambridge City'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:

State Revolving Fund
100 N. Senate Ave., IGCN 1275
Indianapolis, IN 46204
publiccomments@ifa.in.gov

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: Water System Improvements Addendum 2
Town of Cambridge City
127 N Foote Street
Cambridge City, IN 47237

SRF Project Number: DW 22 16 89 02

Authorized Representative: Jim McLane, Town Council President

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project is located in Wayne County, Jackson township, Cambridge City 24k USGS Quadrangle, Township 16N, Range 12E and Sections 26 and 27. See **Figure A-9**.

III. PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

The Town of Cambridge City, in order to protect equipment, increase reliability, and modernize the system, proposes the following improvements: (1) a Utility Service Upgrade, which includes installing a new service with standard voltage and dedicated neutral conductor, a pad mount transformer, and underground conductors; (2) the installation of a dedicated Permanent Standby Generator designed for standby applications, which will provide dependable backup power without the reliability concerns of the current setup; and (3) Equipment Relocation and Modernization, which consists of moving electrical equipment from the basement of the maintenance building to the upstairs room adjacent to the recently installed Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) room, which will reuse existing conduits to well houses to minimize new construction and includes various electrical upgrades and adding air conditioning to the room to maintain optimal temperatures.

IV. ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY, AND FUNDING

The total cost of this project is estimated to be approximately \$330,000. The Town of Cambridge 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 existing maintenance building. 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 April 15, 2026, in the Western Wayne News. No written comments were received following the notice for this project.



Legend

- Property Line
- Phase IB**
- Well #2 Repair
- WTP Improvements
- Phase II**
- Well #3 Repair
- Phase III**
- Well #1 Repair
- Replace 2 Well Houses/
WTP Improvements
- Potential Location for New
Emergency Generator

Note: Phase IA WM Replacements and Phase IV WTP Industrial Park Improvements Not Shown



**FIGURE A-9
PROPOSED
TOWN WTP
AND WELL
IMPROVEMENTS**

Preliminary Engineering Report
for Water System
Improvements
Town of Cambridge City
Cambridge City, Indiana
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