



# GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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**CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION**  
Tower Road Landfill Leachate Lift Station Replacement  
Gilmer County Board of Commissioners  
GEFA Loan No. CW-2020-007

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has conducted a review of the above project in accordance with the State's Environmental Review Process (SERP). EPD has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, no further environmental review is planned. The proposed project consists of the replacement and relocation of the leachate lift station and the replacement of existing force main and rehabilitation of existing gravity sewer main via Route 1, shown on the map. Existing buildings will not be impacted as a result of this project. All construction will be located on County-owned property and/or an easement.

This project is eligible for a categorical exclusion because it meets the following specific criteria, outlined in the SERP: functional replacement of equipment and minor extension of existing sewer lines. Furthermore: the project will not create a new or relocate an existing discharge to surface or ground waters; the project will not substantially increase the volume of discharge or loading of pollutants; the project will not provide capacity to serve a population 30% greater than the existing population; the project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment; the action will not directly or indirectly affect cultural resources, habitats of endangered or threatened species, or environmentally important natural resource areas; and the action is cost-effective and should cause no significant public controversy.

This determination becomes effective after thirty (30) days following its distribution by EPD. This exclusion may be revoked at any time if: 1) the project is altered and no longer meets the requirements of a categorical exclusion, 2) new evidence shows that serious environmental issues exist, or 3) a local, State or Federal law is being or may be violated. The information which supports this decision is on file with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and is available for public review upon request. A copy of the proposed project documentation is also available for review at the County offices in Gilmer County, Georgia.

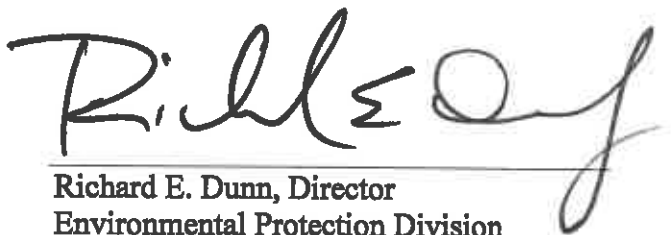
All interested agencies, groups and persons supporting or disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit comments within thirty (30) days of the publish date of this notice via email to [august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov) or to the following address:

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


After evaluating the comments received, EPD will make a final decision regarding approval of the project. No administrative action will be taken on the project for thirty (30) calendar days after publication of this Notice.

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**Legend**

-  Existing Lift Station
-  Proposed Lift Station
-  Existing EGCWSA Manholes
-  Gilmer County Landfill
-  Existing Holding Tank
-  Ex. 8" Transmission Main and Pr. Replacement Route 1
-  Pr. Transmission Main Replacement Route 2
-  Ex. 6" Gravity Sewer with Potential Replacement Along Route 1
-  EGCWSA Ex. 8" Gravity Sewer System
-  Stream

