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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

Wastewater Plant and Lift Station Improvements

City of Tifton (Tift County)

ARPA Grant No. GA-0011432

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 installation of new influent pumps, aeration mixers, sludge transfer pumps, and chemical systems for chlorination and dechlorination. The project will also consist of modifications to fifteen (15) existing lift stations to enable bypass pumping along with installation of a permanent bypass pump to three (3) existing lift stations. Existing buildings will not be impacted as a result of this project. All construction will be located on City owned-property and/or existing right-of-ways.

This project is eligible for a categorical exclusion because it meets the following specific criteria, outlined in the SERP: minor rehabilitation of existing facilities and construction of new ancillary facilities adjacent to existing facilities that do not affect the degree of treatment or capacity of the existing facility. 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 Tifton City Hall in Tift County, Georgia.

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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 chris.bruegge@dnr.ga.gov or to the following address:

Georgia Environmental Protection Division
Watershed Protection Branch
Wastewater Regulatory Program
ATTN: Chris Bruegge
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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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Richard E. Dunn, Director
Environmental Protection Division

2022 ARPA Grant Projects
WWTF Rehabilitation Upgrades
City of Tifton

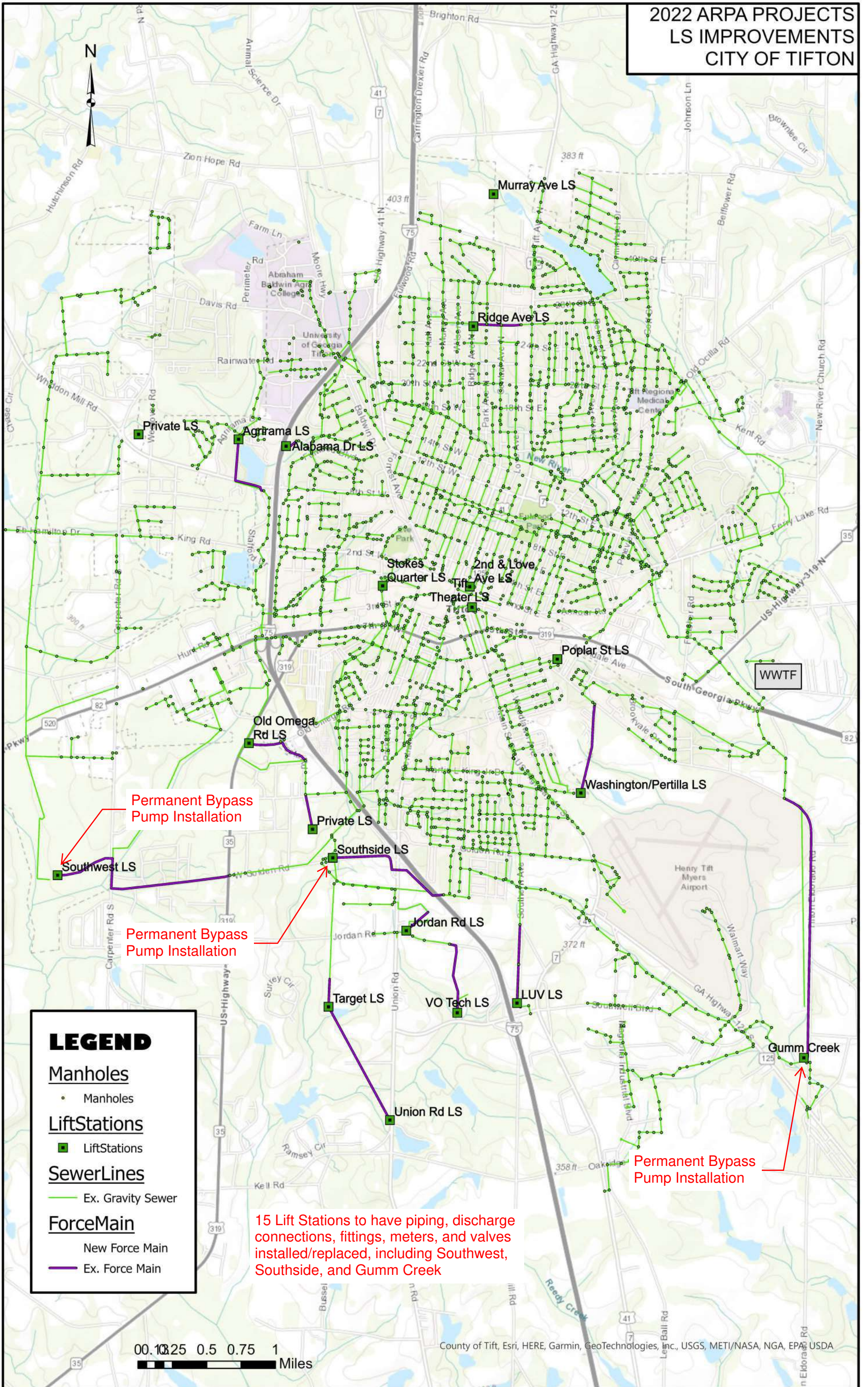


City of Tifton Wastewater Treatment Facility

31°26'48.4"N 83°28'38.8"W
31.446767, -83.477453

Planned Modifications:
SCADA System Installation
New Chemical Feed Systems for Chlorination/Dechlorination
Replace 80.5 HP Influent Pumps (with VFD's)
New 25 HP Sludge Transfer Pumps
Replace 5.5 HP Aeration Mixers
Miscellaneous Valve Replacements

**2022 ARPA PROJECTS
LS IMPROVEMENTS
CITY OF TIFTON**



LEGEND

Manholes
• Manholes

Lift Stations
■ Lift Stations

Sewer Lines
— Ex. Gravity Sewer

Force Main
— New Force Main
— Ex. Force Main

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Miles

15 Lift Stations to have piping, discharge connections, fittings, meters, and valves installed/replaced, including Southwest, Southside, and Gumm Creek

Lift Station Site Improvements - Map Key & Station Locations

Southwest

31.428778, -83.552946

Southside

31.430399, -83.523977

Gumm Creek

31.412403, -83.474385

Old Omega Road

31.440617, -83.532771

Jordan Road

31.423923, -83.516051

Target

31.417010, -83.524596

VO Tech

31.416440, -83.510861

LUV

31.417323, -83.504583

Washington & Pertilla

31.436161, -83.497870

Poplar Street

31.448763, -83.500778

Tift Theater

31.452780, -83.509184

2nd & Love Avenue

31.454826, -83.509512

Stokes Quarter

31.455092, -83.518693

Alabama Drive

31.467564, -83.528592

Murray Avenue

31.489827, -83.507037