NOTICE OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS

The City of Bainbridge has made an application to the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division (EPD) for a grant through the State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF). The grant is for the water system improvements to serve Industrial Park that will be a home to Danimer Scientific’s 2,000,000 square feet facility. The applicant has certified that the project is environmentally sound. As required by the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) Guidelines, an environmental review has been performed on the project described below:

Project Name: Water System Improvements for the City of Bainbridge
Project Location: Decatur County, Georgia
Total Project Cost: $8,919,599

Project Description

Under this project, the City of Bainbridge will construct three (3) new wells, one (1) 500,000 gallons elevated storage tank, and new water mains throughout the Industrial Park and connect into the City’s existing system. Two (2) of the proposed wells will be raw water wells to supply Danimer Scientific and future Industrial Park occupants with untreated water for process operation and third well will serve as a municipal/drinking water well that will have a dedicated chemical treatment and feed building.

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project will have minimal impact on the environment as construction will be limited to the existing project site. This project will provide Danimer Scientific, future occupants of the industrial park, and the citizens of Bainbridge with adequate water pressure, flows, and adequate fire protection in the event of an emergency. Additionally, this project will provide the Industrial Park with the necessary non-potable water for process operation.

A review of the Engineering Report and Environmental Information Document for the proposed project has been performed by EPD’s Drinking Water Permitting and Engineering Program. A copy of these documents is available for public examination upon request at EPD between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The addresses where a copy is available are listed below.

During the development and design of this project, the City of Bainbridge has solicited public input. The project has undergone an Executive Order 12372 Review through the State agencies. The project has also been submitted to the Corps of Engineers, State Historic Preservation Office, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for review. No adverse comments have been received. No further environmental review of the project is proposed to be conducted prior to the release of funds.
All interested agencies, groups and persons supporting or disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments, within thirty (30) days of the issuance date of this notice to:

Georgia Environmental Protection Division  
ATTN: Asmita Patel, Environmental Engineer  
Drinking Water Program  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE - Suite 1362 East  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9000

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

Issue Date: 10/13/2022

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Watershed Protection Branch  
Georgia Environmental Protection Division