

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

The City of Thomasville has made an application to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division (EPD), and the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) for a loan through the State Revolving Fund (SRF). The project consists of upgrades at the existing 6.5-MGD water pollution control plant (WPCP) discharging to Oquina Creek. The applicant has certified that the project is environmentally sound. As required by the Federal Clean Water Act, an environmental review has been performed on the project described below:

Project Name: City of Thomasville
Oquina Creek WPCP Upgrades
GEFA Loan No. CW-2025-007

Project Location: City of Thomasville, Thomas County, GA

Total Project Cost: \$78,050,000

Anticipated SRF Loan Amount: \$71,516,543

Project Description

The City of Thomasville proposes to upgrade their existing 6.5-MGD Oquina Creek WPCP discharging to the Oquina Creek. The project will allow the plant to meet their effluent discharge limits, notably the new limits for nitrogen and phosphorus and the reduced ammonia limit. The upgrades will include an equalization tank, an oxidation ditch, a secondary clarifier, and a post aeration tank and will take place on the existing plant site. The proposed project will also involve the construction of a new control building and the demolition of the existing primary clarifiers, trickling filters, and sludge drying beds as well as the abandonment of the existing aeration building, filter building, and tertiary pump station.

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project will serve the City of Thomasville. The project will provide reliable treatment and effluent quality for the future population. Minor negative temporary impacts may include noise, dust and erosion/sedimentation associated with construction activities. Best Management Practices will be in place during construction.

The project will not be located in the 100-year floodplain as indicated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) map.

The project will take place primarily on City property (or right-of-way) and/or previously disturbed land and no impacts to existing buildings are anticipated as a result of the project.

The current rates for wastewater are anticipated to increase as a result of the project, but the increases have not yet been determined.

No anticipated adverse secondary impacts are associated with the project. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement has been made.

The reason for the decision not to prepare such a statement is as follows: Project activity is not anticipated to result in adverse environmental impacts beyond those that can be easily mitigated with minimal extra expense or delay in project implementation.

Public Notice

A public information meeting was held on August 21, 2025 to discuss the proposed project. No adverse comments were received during the 30-day advertisement period or during the meeting.

An Environmental Review Record concerning the proposed project has been made by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division that documents the environmental review of the project and provides more detail explaining why an environmental impact statement is not required. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the Division's address listed below. A copy of the Environmental Review and Planning Document (ERPD) is available for public review upon request at Thomasville City Hall during business hours and at the Division between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

No further environmental review of this project is proposed to be conducted prior to the release of loan funds.

All interested agencies, groups and persons supporting or disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments within 30 days of the issuance date of this notice via email to patrick.daugherty@dnr.ga.gov or to the following address:

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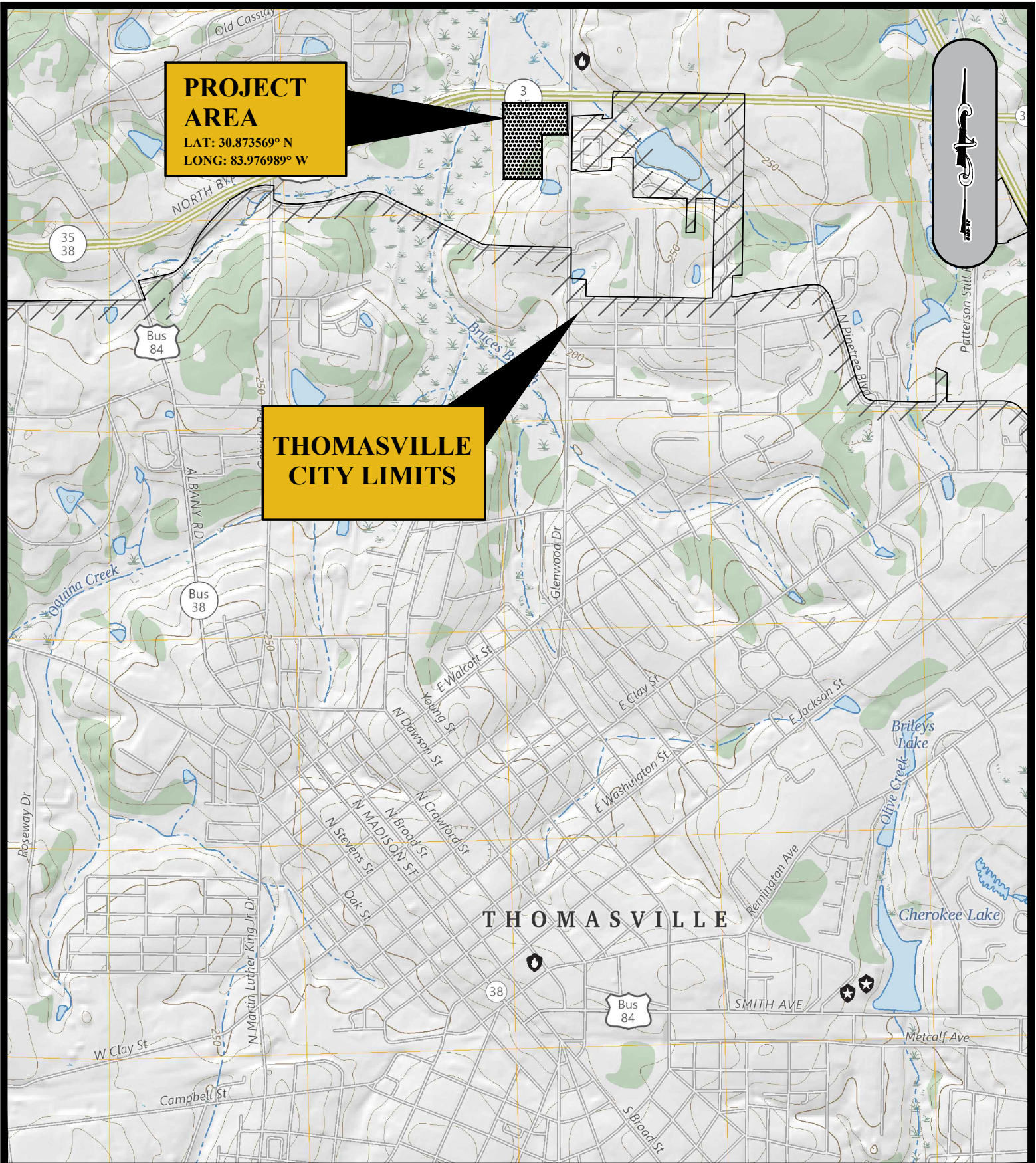
After evaluating the comments received, a final decision regarding the loan will be made. No administrative action will be taken on the project for thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of this Notice.

Loan Recipient: City of Thomasville
P.O. Box 1540
Thomasville, Georgia 31799

Issue Date: 04/13/2026



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Director
Environmental Protection Division



**PROJECT
AREA**

LAT: 30.873569° N
LONG: 83.976989° W

**THOMASVILLE
CITY LIMITS**

THOMASVILLE



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**FIGURE 2.2.2
OVERALL USGS PROJECT MAP**

1"=2000'

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