



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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

The City of Monroe has made an application to the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority (GEFA) and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division (EPD) for a loan through the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF). The loan is for installing approximately 8,000 feet of 16-inch PVC watermain, 10,000 feet of 12-inch PVC watermain, a 500,000-gallon elevated water storage tank, and a 1,000,000-gallon ground water storage tank. The applicant has certified that the project is environmentally sound. As required by the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Guidelines, an environmental review has been performed on the project described below:

Project Name:	Water System Improvements to Serve Piedmont Regional Industrial park
Project Location:	Walton County, Georgia
Total Project Cost:	\$4,650,150
Anticipated DWSRF Loan Amount:	\$4,650,150

Project Description

Under this project, the City of Monroe will install new PVC watermains, as well as a new elevated water storage tank and a new ground water storage tank. The new piping water system and elevated water tank will provide water service for the Piedmont Regional Industrial Park and sufficient fire flow protection. A second ground storage tank is needed as well to serve the residents and commercial clients on the northern part of the City.

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project will have minimal impact on the environment as construction will be limited to the existing project site. According to the National Wetlands Inventory, there are no wetlands located on the proposed project site. The construction of the proposed improvements will not result in a large demand for water from the available water supply. The industrial park which is already served by the City is just having a line dedicated for the industrial park for fire protection, so no significant increase in water demand is expected. The City's groundwater withdrawal permit will not need to be increased.

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 Monroe 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 loan 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: Daniel Weisman, Environmental Engineer
Drinking Water Program
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE - Suite 1362 East
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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: 1/14/2021



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Loan Recipient:
City of Monroe
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