



**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**Jeff Cown, Director**

**Watershed Protection Branch**

2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Suite 1470A, East Tower  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334  
404-463-1511

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

Warthen Water Association has made an application to the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 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 the construction of second well which is needed to ensure drinking water availability and to avoid vulnerability to a catastrophic scenario of having a fire event and a failed pump. 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:	Construction of second well for Washington County
Project Location:	Washington County, Georgia
Total Project Cost:	\$221,538
Anticipated DWSRF Loan Amount:	\$221,538
Project Number:	0008844

**Project Description**

Under this project, Warthen Water Association plans to install an additional 100 gpm drinking water well to supplement their existing well.

**Anticipated Impacts**

The proposed project will have minimal impact on the environment as construction will be limited to the existing project site. This proposed well addition will provide increased reliability.

A review of the Preliminary 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 at the address listed below.

On July 21, 2023, Warthen Water Association conducted a public meeting in accordance with the requirements of DWSRF guidance in order to inform the public about the project. The Association received no adverse comments. 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: Pubali Sarker, Environmental Engineer  
Drinking Water Program  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE - Suite 1052 East  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

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: 8/8/2023

\_\_\_\_\_  
Manny Patel  
Drinking Water Program Manager  
Watershed Protection Branch  
Georgia Environmental Protection Division