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April 4, 2025

Mr. Joseph Johnson, General Manager
Spalding County Water Authority
119 East Solomon St
Griffin, Georgia 30223

RE: Notice of No Significant Impact
Spalding County Water Authority
Cabin Creek WPCP – New Facility
GEFA Loan No. CW-2025-003
EPD # 2024-136
Spalding County, Ocmulgee River Basin

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Attached is a copy of a *Notice of No Significant Impact (NONSI)* prepared for the above-referenced project. The public comment period for this NONSI is 30 days. **Please ensure that the NONSI is posted at a conspicuous location at the County for public review for 30 days from the date of this letter.** Within ten days of receiving this, please notify us where and what date the NONSI was posted.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (470) 524-0657 or alex.gramling@dnr.ga.gov.

Sincerely,

Alex Gramling
Municipal Permitting Unit
Wastewater Regulatory Program

Attachment: NONSI

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

The Spalding County Water Authority 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 the construction of a new water pollution control plant (WPCP) discharging to Cabin Creek and the construction of a new sewage collection system to support the service area. 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: Spalding County Water Authority
Cabin Creek WPCP – New Facility
GEFA Loan No. CW-2025-003

Project Location: Spalding County, GA

Total Project Cost: \$9,727,750

Anticipated SRF Loan Amount: TBD ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The Authority has not yet submitted a CWSRF loan application to GEFA; therefore, the total loan amount has not yet been determined.

Project Description

The Spalding County Water Authority proposes to construct a new water pollution control plant discharging up to 0.3 MGD to Cabin Creek and approximately 15,000 LF of 15” PVC gravity sewer and 4,000 LF of force main. The project will accommodate flow/population projections for the area. The new facility will include an influent pump station, screening, aeration basin, clarifiers, chemical feed system and chlorine disinfection/dechlorination. Liquid sludge will be delivered to another permitted facility for further treatment and/or ultimate disposal or to be land applied.

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project will serve the Arthur K. Bolton Parkway Employment Core area. 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 County property (or right-of-way) and no impacts to existing buildings are anticipated as a result of the project.

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 July 30, 2024 at the Spalding County Courthouse Annex 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 the Spalding County Courthouse Annex 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 alex.gramling@dnr.ga.gov or to the following address:

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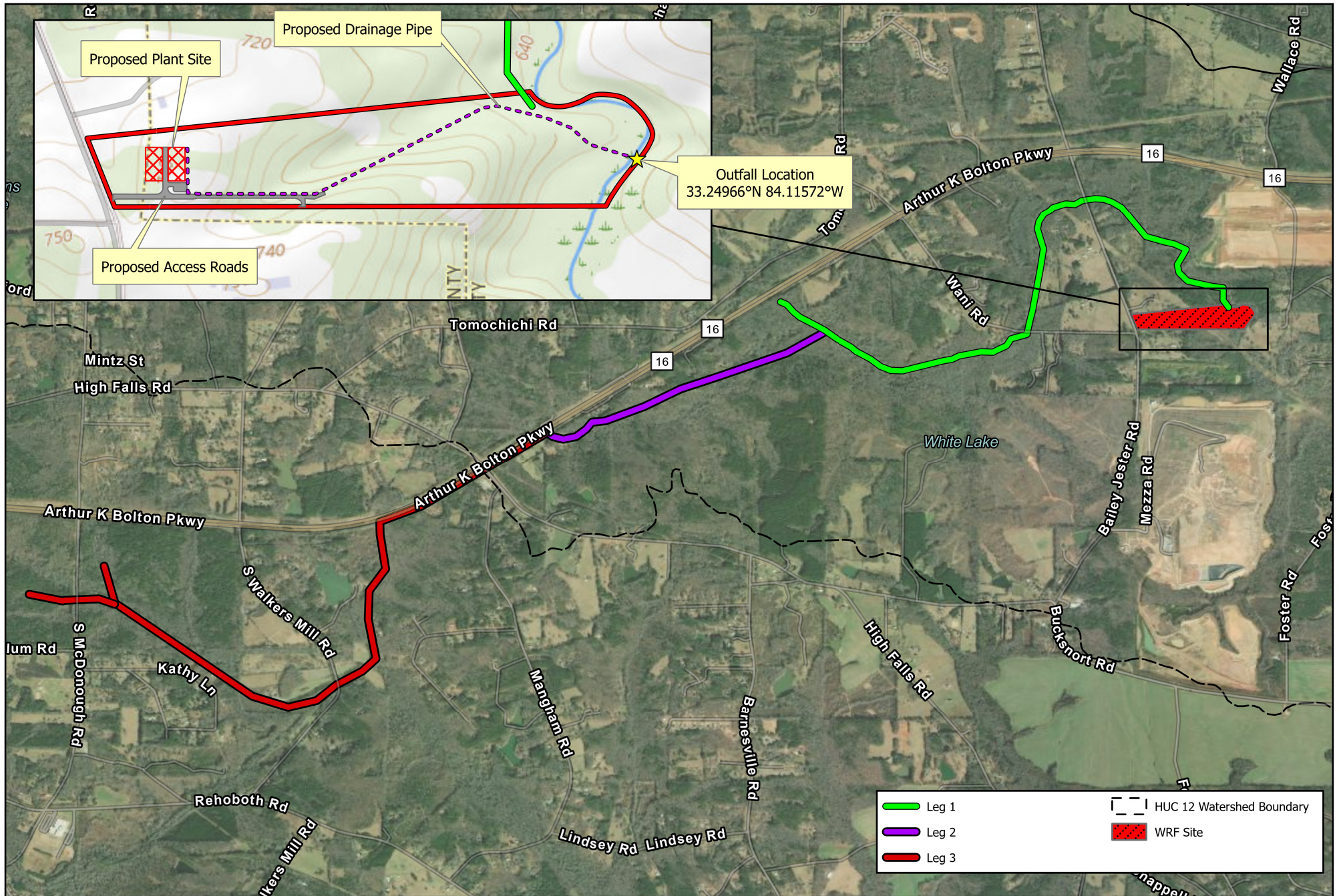
After evaluating the comments received, a final decision regarding the loan will be made. No administrative action will be taken on the project for thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of this Notice.

Loan Recipient: Spalding County Water Authority
119 East Solomon St
Griffin, Georgia 30223

Issue Date: 04/04/2025



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Director
Environmental Protection Division



MAP 1 - Site Area Map

G1070001 - PDB Services for 2024 Sewer Implementation
 Spalding County, GA
 Source: ESRI World Imagery, MAXAR 2023
 USGS WBD 2024

