

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

The City of Pooler 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 new force mains between Bloomingdale WPCP and lift stations, and improvements in lift station pumps. 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 Pooler  
Lift Station and Force Main Improvements  
GEFA Loan No. CW2019-013

**Project Location:** City of Pooler, Chatham County, GA

**Total Project Cost:** \$5,500,000

**Anticipated SRF Loan Amount:** \$5,500,000

**Project Description**

The City of Pooler proposes to construct approximately 11,650 linear feet of 18 inch diameter PVC force main between the Towne Lake lift station and the Bloomingdale WPCP and 3,600 linear feet of 8 inch diameter PVC force main between the Towne Lake and the Benton lift stations. Duplex submersible pumps at the Towne Lake and the Benton lift stations will be replaced.

**Anticipated Impacts**

The proposed project will serve the City of Pooler. The project will provide reliable conveyance of sewage 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. 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. The project will take place primarily on City property (or right-of-way) and/or previously disturbed land.

The current rates for wastewater are not anticipated to increase for residential customers. The City of Pooler will use the existing rate structure to pay the SRF loan.

A public information meeting was held on April 23, 2019 at Pooler City Hall 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 SRF planning document is available for public examination upon request at Pooler 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 [josh.hayes@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:josh.hayes@dnr.ga.gov) or to the following address:

Environmental Protection Division  
Watershed Protection Branch  
Wastewater Regulatory Program  
ATTN: Josh Hayes  
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive  
Suite 1152 East  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

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.

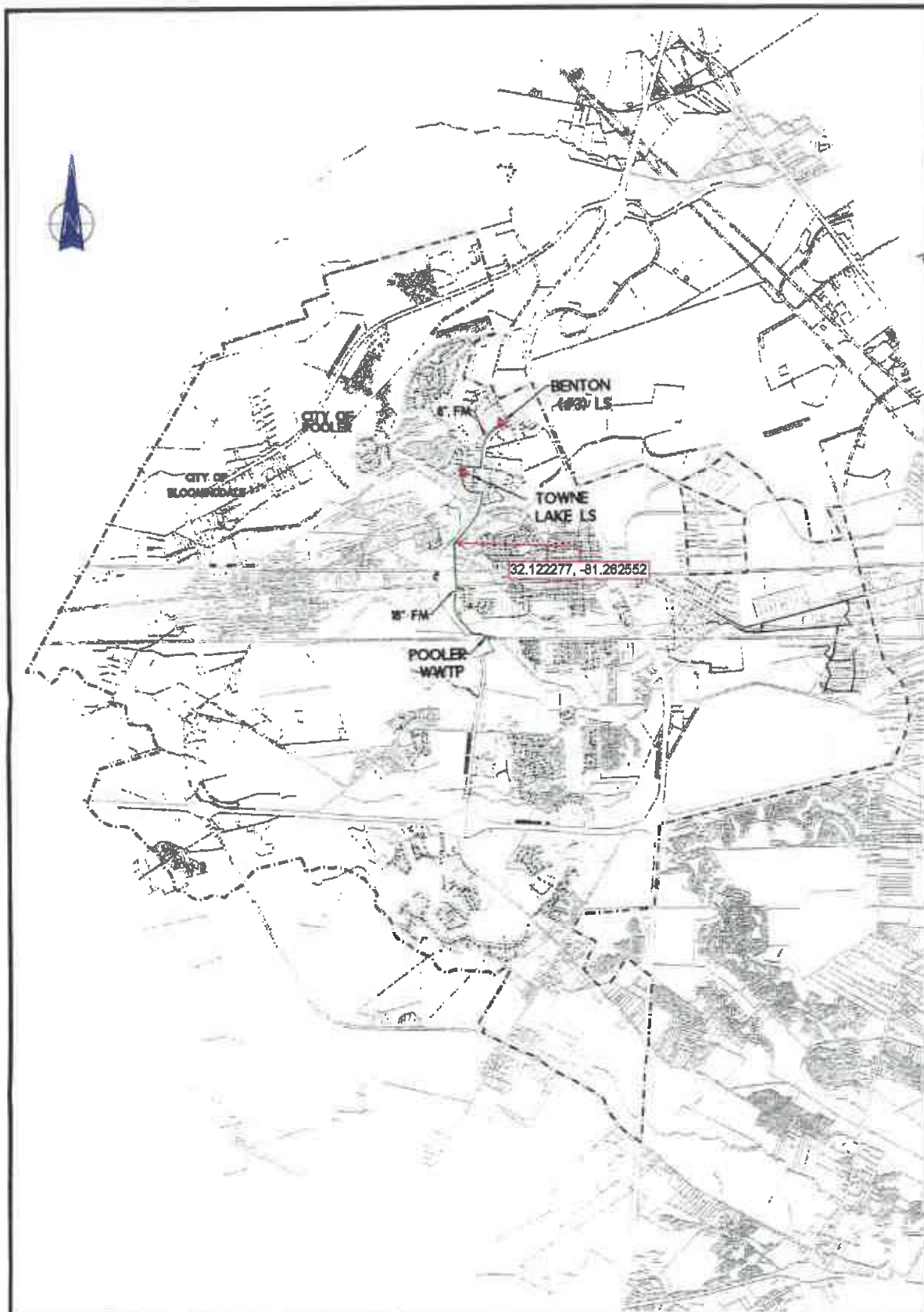
Loan Recipient: City of Pooler  
100 Southwest U.S. Highway 80  
Pooler, Georgia 31322

JUN 03 2019

Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Richard E. Dunn  
Director  
Environmental Protection Division



SCALE: 1" = 6000'

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DATE: SEPTEMBER 2018

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**HUSSEY GAY BELL**  
— Established 1958 —

**Towne Lake & Benton Boulevard Pump Stations  
Project Location Map  
City of Pooler, Georgia**