

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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

The Town of Braselton has received funding from the State through the American rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the partial funding of the Town's current groundwater development program. 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:	Town of Braselton –Groundwater Development
Project Location:	Town of Braselton, Jackson County, Georgia
Total Project Cost:	\$1,035,000
ARPA Grant anticipated Amount:	\$ 416, 500

Project Description

Under this project, The Town of Braselton proposes to fully develop approved wells TBG 1A and TBG 1J including well house structures, pumping facilities, chemical treatment, and treatment to reduce manganese levels and radionuclide levels to below the respective EPA Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL's).

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project will have minimal impact on the environment. The Town is proposing to expand its groundwater production capacity and treatment to meet present and future demand for its growing population, to lessen its demand on adjacent surface water systems and to produce water that meets and exceeds the State and Federal Regulations. The overall impact of the proposed project will be beneficial. There will be no significant adverse secondary impacts associated with the project.

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 Town of Braselton 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 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: Duplex Tchinda, Environmental Engineer Drinking Water Program 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE - Suite 1052 East Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9000

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: 01/23/2023

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Loan Recipient:

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