

Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Environmental Protection Division

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**NOTICE OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS
DWSRF Loan # 16-004
WSID # CG1950004**

City of Ila, Madison County has made 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 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: 2016 Water System Improvements

Project Location: City of Ila, Madison County, GA

Total Project Cost: \$ 1,260,000.00

Anticipated DWSRF Loan Amount: \$ 1,260,000.00

Project Description

The project includes water main replacement, distribution looping, renovation of Well number 1, and development of a new Well.

Anticipated Impacts

The proposed project is intended to increase supply and keep the water system in good working order by replacing existing water mains. New water mains will replace antiquated thin walled PVC mains as well as close a loop to keep water fresh. Well number 1 pump house will also be renovated. The project also includes developing a new well for back up water supply. This project will benefit existing and future water customers served in the City of Ila, Madison County. The overall impact of the proposed project will be beneficial. There will be no significant adverse secondary impacts associated with this project. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement has been made.

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. The review of these Documents explains in more detail why an environmental impact statement is not required. A copy of the 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 and at the City Hall, Ila, GA during normal business hours. The addresses where a copy is available are listed below.

During the development and design of this project, City council of Ila has solicited public input. A public meeting was held on September 7, 2015 to discuss this project and allow additional public input. The project has also been submitted to the U.S. Army 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: Rais Khan, Environmental Engineer
Drinking Water Permitting and Engineering Program
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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: 12-30-2015


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