



GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

North & South WWTP Upgrade and Pump Station Rehabilitation
in Hawkinsville, Georgia
CW2016-034

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has conducted a review of the above project in accordance with the State's Environmental Review Process (SERP) for Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) projects. EPD has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, no further environmental review is planned. The proposed project will include replacement of existing mechanical equipment and structures as well as improvements to the solids handling at the City's wastewater treatment plants. The project will also include rehabilitation of a lift station.

This project is eligible for a categorical exclusion because it meets the following specific criteria, outlined in the CWSRF SERP: minor rehabilitation of existing facilities, functional replacement of equipment and construction of new ancillary facilities adjacent to existing facilities that do not affect the degree of treatment or capacity of the existing facility. Furthermore: the project will not create a new or relocate an existing discharge to surface or ground waters; the project will not substantially increase the volume of discharge or loading of pollutants; the project will not provide capacity to serve a population 30% greater than the existing population; the project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment; the action will not directly or indirectly affect cultural resources, habitats of endangered or threatened species, or environmentally important natural resource areas; and the action is cost-effective and should cause no significant public controversy.

This determination becomes effective after thirty (30) days following its distribution by EPD. This exclusion may be revoked at any time if: 1) the project is altered and no longer meets the requirements of a categorical exclusion, 2) new evidence shows that serious environmental issues exist, or 3) a local, State or Federal law is being or may be violated. The information which supports this decision is on file with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and is available for public scrutiny upon request. A copy of the proposed project documentation is also available for review at the City Hall in Hawkinsville, Georgia.

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All interested agencies, groups and persons supporting or disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments, within thirty (30) days of the publish date of this notice to:

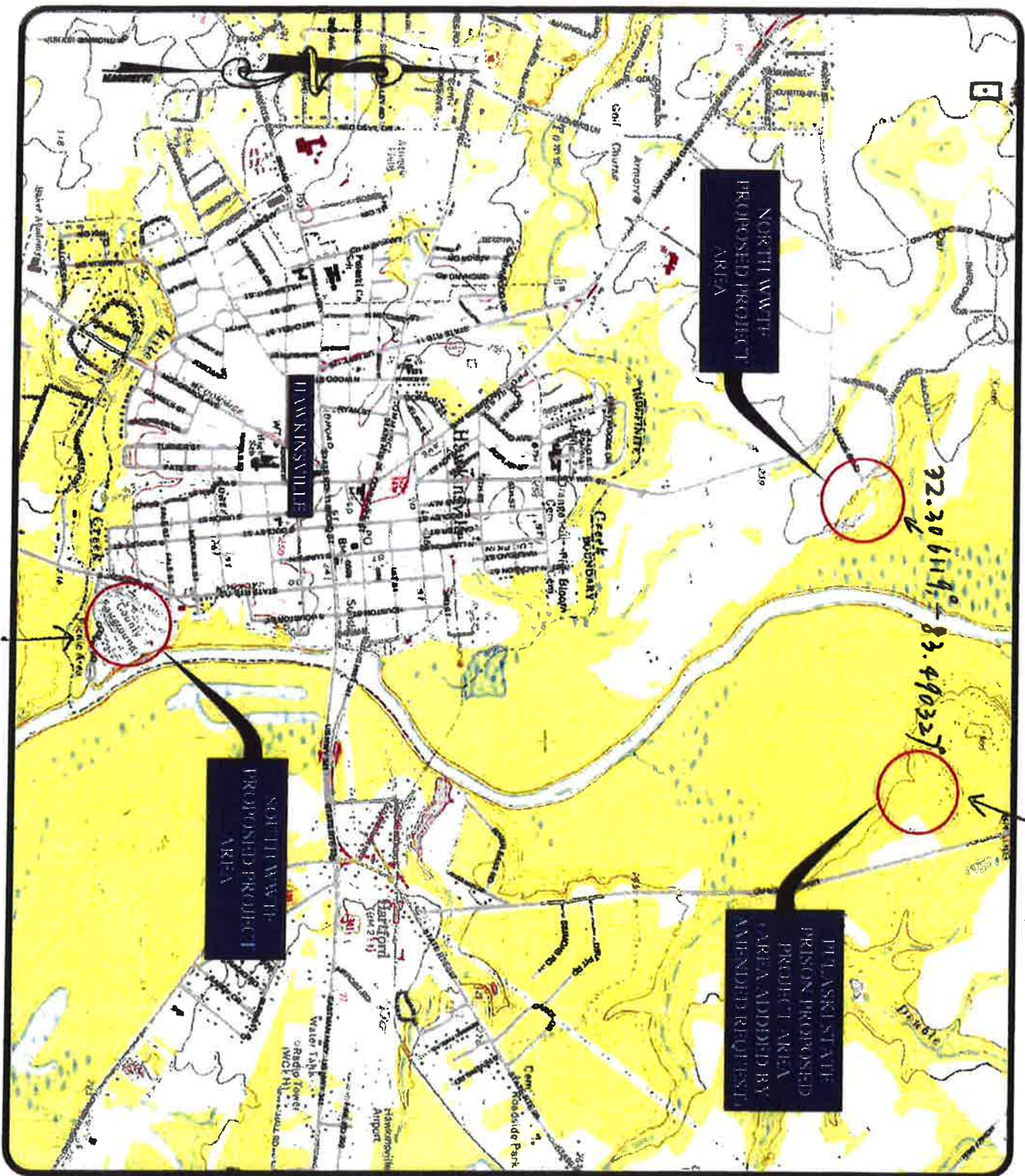
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After evaluating the comments received, EPD will make a final decision regarding approval of the project. No administrative action will be taken on the project for thirty (30) calendar days after publication of this Notice.

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Richard E. Dunn
Director
Environmental Protection Division



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