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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Hartselle Utilities
Morgan County

SRF Project No. FS010069-05

April 2, 2020

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management has made \$1,900,000 in financial assistance available to Hartselle Utilities using funds from the FY 2020 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan program. In accordance with State and Federal regulations that govern the program, the Alabama Department of Environmental Management has conducted a review to assess the potential impacts upon the environment that may result from implementation of this project.

Hartselle Utilities proposes to construct a new water booster pumping station and approximately 2,500 feet of 16-inch transmission main to improve water supply to the high level district portion of the distribution system. Completion of this project will eliminate water outage issues to the high level district of the distribution system and enable the system to rehabilitate an existing storage tank.

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management has determined that the project qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion (CE) from further environmental study under the guidelines specified by the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) which specifically include actions which are solely directed toward minor rehabilitation of existing facilities, functional replacement of equipment, or towards the construction of new ancillary facilities adjacent or appurtenant to existing facilities. However, this decision may be reconsidered if significant adverse information concerning the potential environmental impacts of the project is discovered.

Comments relative to this project should be submitted in writing to Mrs. Chavon R. Jones, SRF Section, Permits & Services Division, Alabama Department of Environmental Management, P.O. Box 301463, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-1463, no later than 30 days after the date of public notice. The Alabama Department of Environmental Management will not take formal action to proceed with the project without carefully evaluating any public comments opposing the project.

Sincerely,

Lance R. LeFleur
Director

Attachment



Hartselle Utilities
SRF# FS010069-05

The Categorical Exclusion is promulgated in the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) in Part IV, Section C: Categorical Exclusions for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Projects: (Italicized sections apply.)

1. The following drinking water projects are eligible for categorical exclusions:
 - a. Actions intended solely for minor rehabilitation, functional replacement, or ancillary facilities adjacent or appurtenant to existing facilities.
 - b. Minor construction, including:
 - (1) New wells or replacement wells for water supply purposes if ancillary to the existing system;
 - (2) *Improvements not intended to increase capacity of the system;*
 - (3) Facilities for the disinfection of public water supplies;
 - (4) Facilities such as looping that will result solely in the provision of adequate public water system pressure;
 - (5) Construction of water tanks;
 - (6) Construction of new water lines in previously disturbed areas within one mile of the existing distribution system.
 - c. Projects where funding is being provided for planning and/or engineering costs only (in which case the requirements of IV.C.1.a-d do not apply).
2. In order to determine if a drinking water project is eligible for a CE, all of the following must not apply:
3.
 - a. The action is known or expected to directly or indirectly adversely impact any of the following:
 - (1) Cultural or historical resources;
 - (2) Endangered or Threatened Species and/or their critical habitats;
 - (3) Environmentally important natural resource areas such as floodplains, wetlands, prime agricultural land, or aquifer recharge zones.
 - b. The action is not cost effective.
 - c. The action will cause significant public controversy.
 - d. The action will create a new or expanded surface drinking water source.

This project complies with the above requirements and has been determined to be eligible for a Categorical Exclusion.



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October 31, 2018

CDG Engineering, LLC
ATTN: Jonathan L. Wright, P.E.
Project Engineer
6767 Old Madison Pike, Suite 240
Huntsville, AL 35806

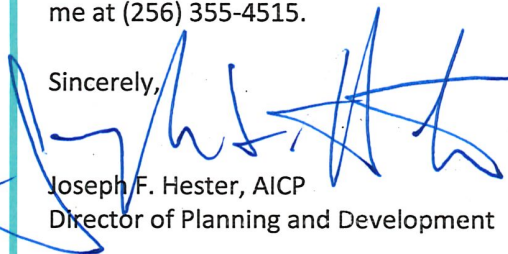
**RE: Letter of Concurrence
Hartselle Utilities – High Level Water Booster Pump Station
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; ADEM**

Dear Mr. Wright:

The North Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments (NARCOG) has reviewed the information provided for the proposed project referenced above located in the Hartselle Utilities' service area, and we offer our concurrence. NARCOG understands that the proposed project consists of constructing a booster pumping station, approximately 2,500 LF of pipeline, and associated appurtenances for the "high level" pressure zone of the water system.

In conclusion, NARCOG finds the proposed project to be consistent and compatible with local, state, and regional plans. Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at (256) 355-4515.

Sincerely,



Joseph F. Hester, AICP
Director of Planning and Development

cc: Jeffrey A. Pruitt, AICP, Executive Director
File



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NASHVILLE DISTRICT
WESTERN REGULATORY FIELD OFFICE
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January 14, 2019

SUBJECT: File No. LRN-2019-00046; CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc., Install a Water Booster Pumping Station, Shoal Creek Watershed, Tennessee River Mile 308.4 L, Town of Hartselle, Morgan County, Alabama.

CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc.
Attn: Mr. Jonathan Wright
6767 Old Madison Pike
Suite 240
Huntsville, AL 35806

Dear Mr. Wright:

This is in response to your 9 Jan 2019 request for our comments regarding the subject project.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has regulatory responsibilities pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Under Section 10, the USACE regulates all work in, or affecting, navigable waters of the U.S. Under Section 404, the USACE regulates the discharge of dredged and/or fill material into waters of the U.S. (33 CFR Part 328).

A review of the information provided indicates the subject activity would not involve work in wetlands/waters of the U.S.; therefore, a Department of the Army permit would not be required.

We understand the project proposal may not have specific design plans at this time, and this inquiry is an initial review to obtain grant funds. We have no objections to the applicant receiving grant funds for the proposal.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric Sinclair at the above address or telephone (256) 350-5620. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposed project.

Sincerely,

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Timothy C. Wilder
Chief, West Branch
Regulatory Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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September 26, 2018

Mr. Bill Pearson, Field Supervisor
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**Re: Request for Letter of Concurrence
High Level Water Booster Pump Station
Hartselle Utilities
Hartselle, Alabama**

Dear Mr. Pearson:

Our firm is working with Hartselle Utilities to prepare a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan pre-application for submission to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM). Hartselle is located in Morgan County and is approximately 30 miles southwest of Huntsville. The loan will be used to construct a booster pumping station, approximately 2,500 LF. of pipe line, and associated appurtenances for the "High Level" Pressure zone of the water system. Please find the attached map showing the location of the proposed facility.

We request your review and concurrence of the project and appreciate your time and consideration. If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to call at (256) 539-7470 or email at jonathan.wright@cdge.com.

Sincerely,

CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc.

Jonathan L. Wright, P.E.
Project Engineer

Enclosures:

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
1208-B - Daphne, Alabama 36526
Phone: 251-441-5181 Fax: 251-441-6222

No federally listed species/critical habitat are known to occur in the project area. As described, the project will have no significant impact on fish and wildlife resources. IF PROJECT DESIGN CHANGES ARE MADE, PLEASE SUBMIT NEW PLANS FOR REVIEW. We recommend use of best management practices specific to your project (See <http://www.fws.gov/daphne/section7/bmp.html>).

William J. Pearson, Field Supervisor

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Lisa D. Jones
Executive Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

October 10, 2018

Jonathan L. Wright
CDG
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Re: AHC 19-0003
High Level Water Booster Pump Station-Hartselle Utilities
Morgan County

Dear Mr. Wright:

Upon review of the above-referenced project forwarded by your office, we have determined that project activities will have no effect on any cultural resources listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, we concur with the proposed project activities.

However, should artifacts or archaeological features be encountered during project activities, work shall cease and our office shall be consulted immediately. Artifacts are objects made, used or modified by humans. They include but are not excluded to arrowheads, broken pieces of pottery or glass, stone implements, metal fasteners or tools, etc. Archaeological features are stains in the soil that indicate disturbance by human activity. Some examples are post holes, building foundations, trash pits and even human burials. **This stipulation shall be placed on the construction plans to insure contractors are aware of it.**

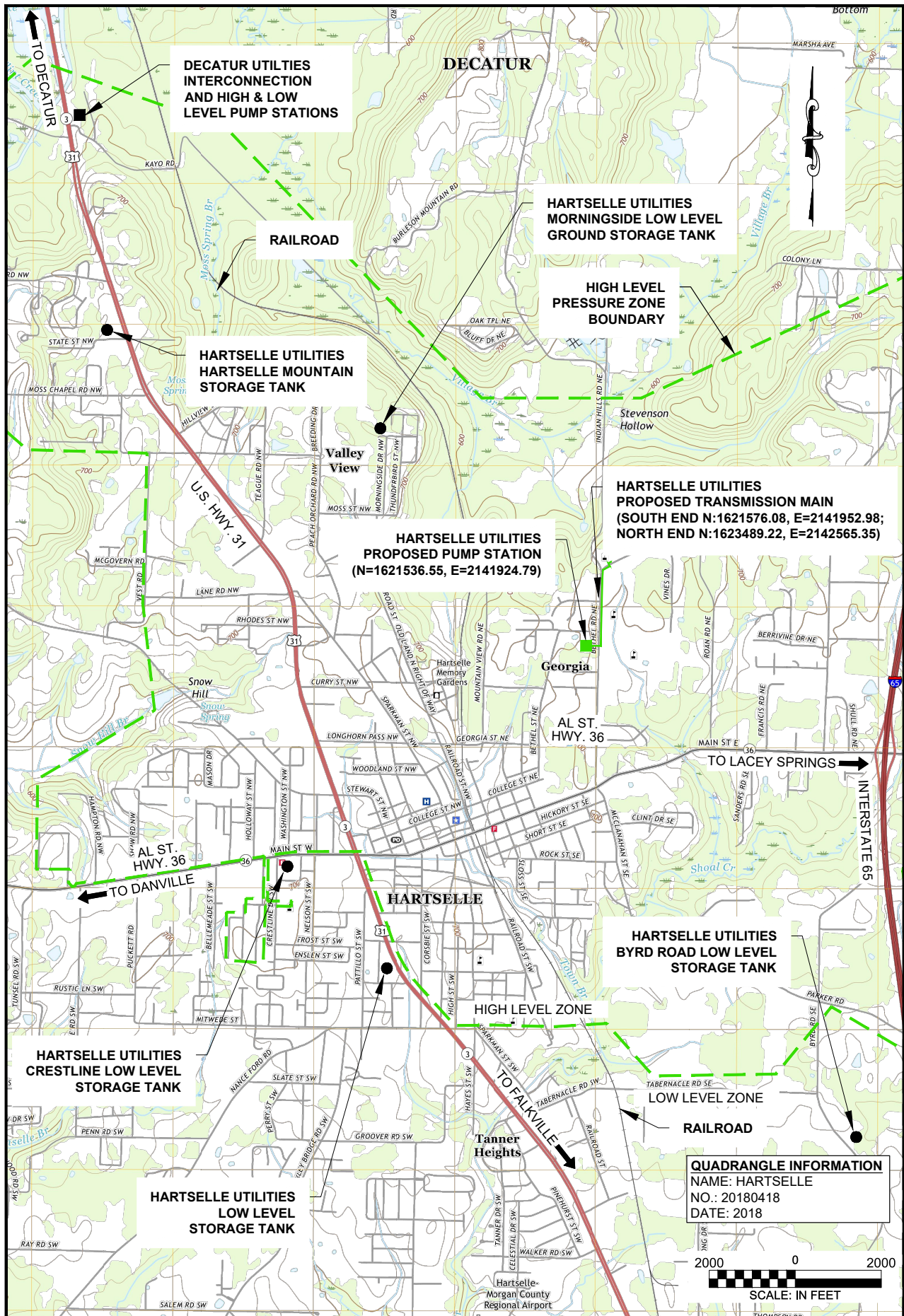
We appreciate your commitment to helping us preserve Alabama's historic archaeological and architectural resources. Should you have any questions, please contact Amanda McBride at 334.230.2692 or Amanda.McBride@ahc.alabama.gov. Have the AHC tracking number referenced above available and include it with any future correspondence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lee Anne Wofford".

Lee Anne Wofford
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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QUADRANGLE INFORMATION
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 NO.: 20180418
 DATE: 2018

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APPENDIX A - PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS & INFRASTRUCTURES
 PROPOSED HIGH LEVEL WATER BOOSTER STATION
 HARTSELLE UTILITIES
 HARTSELLE, MORGAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
 2019 DWSRF APPLICATION

CDG PROJECT NO.: R906817002
 DRAWN BY: ERH
 CHECKED BY: JCM
 DATE: JAN. 2019



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**PROPOSED
16" CL. 350 D.I.
WATER MAIN**

**F.E. BURLESON
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

MEADOWVIEW DR. N.E.

BETHEL ST. N.E.

**PROPOSED
PUMP STATION**

CINDY ST. N.E.

**HARTSELLE
HIGH SCHOOL**



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| | <p>PROPOSED HIGH LEVEL WATER BOOSTER STATION HARTSELLE UTILITIES HARTSELLE, MORGAN COUNTY, ALABAMA 2019 DWSRF APPLICATION</p> | <p>DRAWN BY: ERH CHECKED BY: JCM DATE: FEB. 2019</p> |