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## CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Town of Lexington  
Lauderdale County

SRF Project No. CS010886-03

April 14, 2026

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management has made **\$1,100,000** in financial assistance available to the **Town of Lexington** using funds from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) 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.

The Town of Lexington proposes improvements to its wastewater treatment system. The project includes a new aeration system including the installation of a new effluent pump, sludge pump, and a new process control system. Additionally, the project would include a replacement flow control system, the replacement of a lift station pump, and a rebuild of the existing vertical turbine pump at the lagoon. The proposed project would allow the Town to meet requirements of enforcement actions and, therefore, regain compliance with permitted conditions.

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. Amy Graham, SRF Branch, Permits and Services Division, Alabama Department of Environmental Management, Post Office 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,

Edward F. Poolos  
Director

EFP/ADC/AEG/lbb

Attachment



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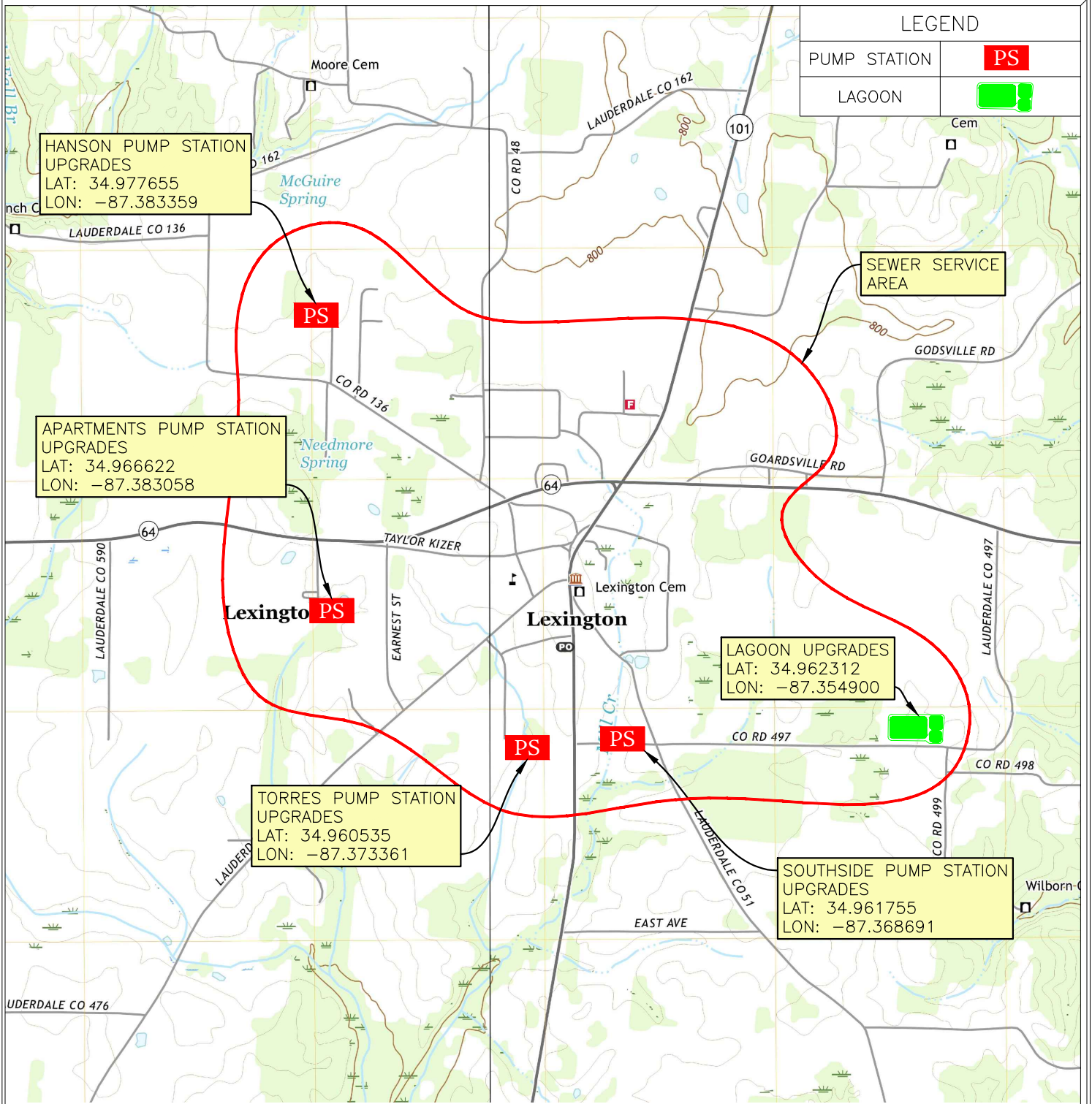
The Categorical Exclusion is promulgated in the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) in Part IV, Section B: Categorical Exclusions for Clean Water State Revolving Fund Projects: (Italicized sections apply.)

1. The following clean water projects are eligible for categorical exclusions.
  - a. *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;*
  - b. Actions which do not affect the degree of treatment or capacity of the existing facility including, but not limited to, infiltration and inflow corrections, replacement of existing mechanical equipment or structures, and the construction of small structures on existing sites;
  - c. Actions which are for minor upgrading and minor expansion of existing treatment works in sewerred communities with a population less than 10,000;
  - d. Actions where on-site technologies are proposed in unsewerred communities of less than 10,000;
  - e. Construction of new wastewater collection systems for existing communities, only if ancillary or appurtenant to existing facilities;
  - f. Projects where funding is being provided for planning and/or engineering costs only (in which case the requirements of IV.B.1 a-f do not apply)
2. In order to determine if a clean water project is eligible for a CE, all of the following conditions must not apply:
  - a. The action is known or expected to have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment, either individually, cumulatively over time, or in conjunction with other federal, State, local, tribal or private actions.
  - b. The action is known or expected to adversely impact:
    - 1) Cultural resources areas such as archaeological and historical sites,
    - 2) Endangered or threatened species and their critical habitats,
    - 3) Environmentally important natural resources areas such as floodplains, wetlands, important farmlands, or aquifer recharging zones.
  - c. This action is known or expected not to be cost-effective or to cause significant public controversy.
  - d. The facilities to be provided will
    - 1) Create a new, or
    - 2) Significantly relocate an existing discharge to surface or ground waters.
  - e. The facilities will result in more than 30% increases in the volume of discharge or the loading of pollutants from an existing source or from new facilities to receiving waters.
  - f. The facilities would provide capacity to serve a population 30% higher than the anticipated design population.

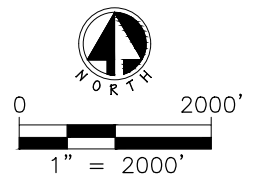
This project complies with the above requirements and has been determined to be eligible for a Categorical Exclusion.

LEGEND

PUMP STATION	<b>PS</b>
LAGOON	



USGS QUAD MAPS FOR LEXINGTON AND CENTER HILL, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, ALABAMA, 7.5 MINUTE SERIES, REVISED 2020, AND LORETTO AND BONNERTOWN, LAWRENCE COUNTY, TENNESSEE, REVISED 2019, 7.5 MINUTE SERIES, SCALED AT 1:24,000



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USGS QUAD MAP

LEXINGTON CWSRF 2022  
 TOWN OF LEXINGTON  
 LAUDERDALE COUNTY, ALABAMA

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PUMP STATION	
LAGOON	
MANHOLE	
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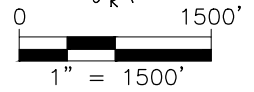
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SEWER SYSTEM MAP

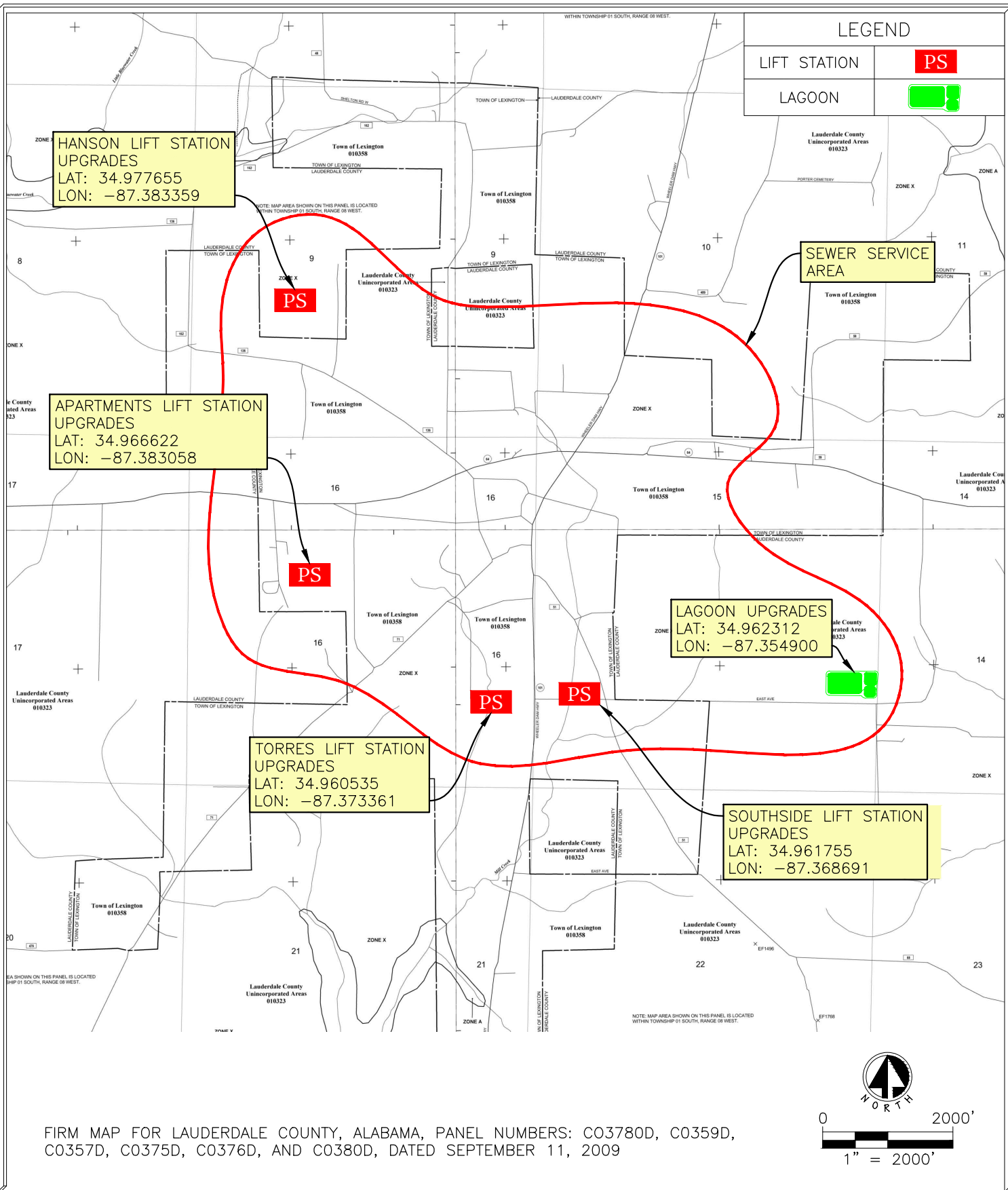
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**FEMA FIRM MAP**  
**LEXINGTON CWSRF**  
**TOWN OF LEXINGTON**  
**LAUDERDALE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

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April 24, 2020

William J. Pearson  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife  
1208-B Main Street  
Daphne, Alabama 36526  
VIA EMAIL [bill\\_pearson@fws.gov](mailto:bill_pearson@fws.gov)

RE: Town of Lexington- CWSRF Project - Request for Concurrence  
2017-TA-0537

Dear Mr. Pearson:

This follows the concurrence letter issued by U.S. Fish & Wildlife on March 28, 2017 (attached).

The Town of Lexington was awarded FY 2017 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) assistance for the construction of a new well, water meter replacement, SCADA and district meters. The project is currently under construction. The Town of Lexington is now seeking Clean Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) assistance from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) for sanitary sewer system improvements. We respectfully request your agency's review of this project for concurrence.

The sanitary sewer system project includes: installing new pumps, aeration system and curtain walls; electrical upgrades to existing pumps; sewer system smoke testing; repairs to sewer line points identified by smoke testing; repairs to sprayfield; and other sanitary sewer system improvements. All work will occur in existing road right-of-way or Lexington's property. No buildings to be altered or exist on project.

All work will be located within previously disturbed areas within existing sewer lines. Project footprint is located within existing road right-of-way and property owned by Lexington.

Maps of the proposed improvements are attached for your review.

After review, feel free to email the letter of concurrence to [kelley@kelleynetwork.com](mailto:kelley@kelleynetwork.com).

Thank you for your time and consideration of this project.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bartley W. Taft*

Bartley W. Taft, P.E.

Attachments



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1208-B Main Street - 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

Date

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# ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Lisa D. Jones  
Executive Director  
State Historic Preservation Officer

May 27, 2020

The Honorable Sandra Burroughs  
P.O. Box 457  
Lexington, AL 35648

Re: AHC 20-0755  
Town of Lexington Sanitary Sewer System Improvements  
Lauderdale County

Dear Mayor Burroughs:

We concur with the above referenced project provided all construction activities will occur within either the highway right-of-way or in previously disturbed areas. Any area that is to be involved and does not fall into one of the above categories will require a cultural resource assessment by a professional archaeologist. Submit the resulting report to our office for review and determination prior to project initiation.

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](mailto: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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April 30, 2020

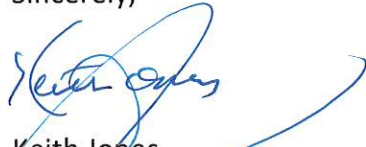
Mr. Bartley W. Taft  
The Kelley Group  
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Tuscumbia, AL 35674

Re: Project: Town of Lexington-Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds for Various  
Sanitary Sewer Improvements

Mr. Taft:

We are in receipt of your letter regarding the proposed project to utilize CWSRF funds to install new pumps, aeration system and curtain walls, smoke test and point repair sewer lines within the Town of Lexington's sewersystem. This request is consistent and compatible with regional and local development plans and programs. This letter shall serve as regional concurrence with the proposed project.

Sincerely,



Keith Jones  
Executive Director  
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Steve Holt  
*Chairman*

Bob Page  
*Vice Chairman*

Sandra Burroughs  
*Secretary*



Tennessee Valley Authority, Post Office Box 1010, Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35662-1010

May 21, 2020

Mr. Bartley W. Taft, P.E.  
The Kelley Group  
On behalf of the Town of Lexington  
Post Office Box 45  
Tuscumbia, Alabama 35674

Dear Mr. Taft:

TOWN OF LEXINGTON CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF)  
APPLICATION – COLBERT COUNTY, ALABAMA

We have reviewed your April 24, 2020 letter notifying the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) of the Town of Lexington application for clean water state revolving funds for sanitary sewer improvements, including installing new pumps, aeration system and curtain walls, electrical upgrades to existing pumps, sewer system smoke testing, repair to sewer line points, repairs to sparyfield, and other sanitary sewer system improvements. We understand all work will be within the City's existing right of ways or property.

Based on the information submitted, it appears that no TVA property is being requested for the project. Activities that do not create new or additional obstruction are not new obstructions and would not require approval under Section 26a of the TVA Act. If you determine that any of the proposed activities will create a new obstruction, then the proposal would require approval from TVA. A completed application, final plans with detailed drawings, and appropriate application fee should be sent to TVA for review.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with you and look forward to working with you in the future. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (256) 386-3456.

Sincerely,

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Kenley Austin  
Program Manager  
Reservoir Land Use & Permitting



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NASHVILLE DISTRICT  
WESTERN REGULATORY FIELD OFFICE  
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DECATUR AL 35603

September 15, 2020

SUBJECT: File No. LRN-2017-00392; Town of Lexington, DWSRF Project; Tennessee River Mile 273.1 Right Bank, Lauderdale County, Alabama.

Bartley Taft  
The Kelley Group  
P.O. Box 45  
Tuscumbia, Alabama 35674

Dear Mr. Taft:

This is in response to your April 24, 2020, 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 may involve work in wetlands/waters of the U.S.; therefore, a Department of the Army permit may 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Sinclair".

William E Sinclair  
Regulatory Project Manager  
Regulatory Division  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers