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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Town of Maplesville
Chilton County

SRF Project No. CS011130-01

July 5, 2026

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management has made **\$718,917.42** in financial assistance available to the **Town of Maplesville** using funds from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (**CWSRF-IIJA**) 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 Maplesville proposes a project to expand their sanitary sewer collection system. The project consists of expansion of the sanitary sewer collection system to include connections to existing households and businesses along State Route 22 and connecting streets from Oil Tank Road to West Fraser Mill. The proposed project would increase influent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), thereby improving the treatment process at the WWTP, which is currently underutilized.

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 construction of new wastewater collection systems for existing communities, only if ancillary 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. Kelly Bibb, Engineering Section, 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/KMB/lbb

Attachment



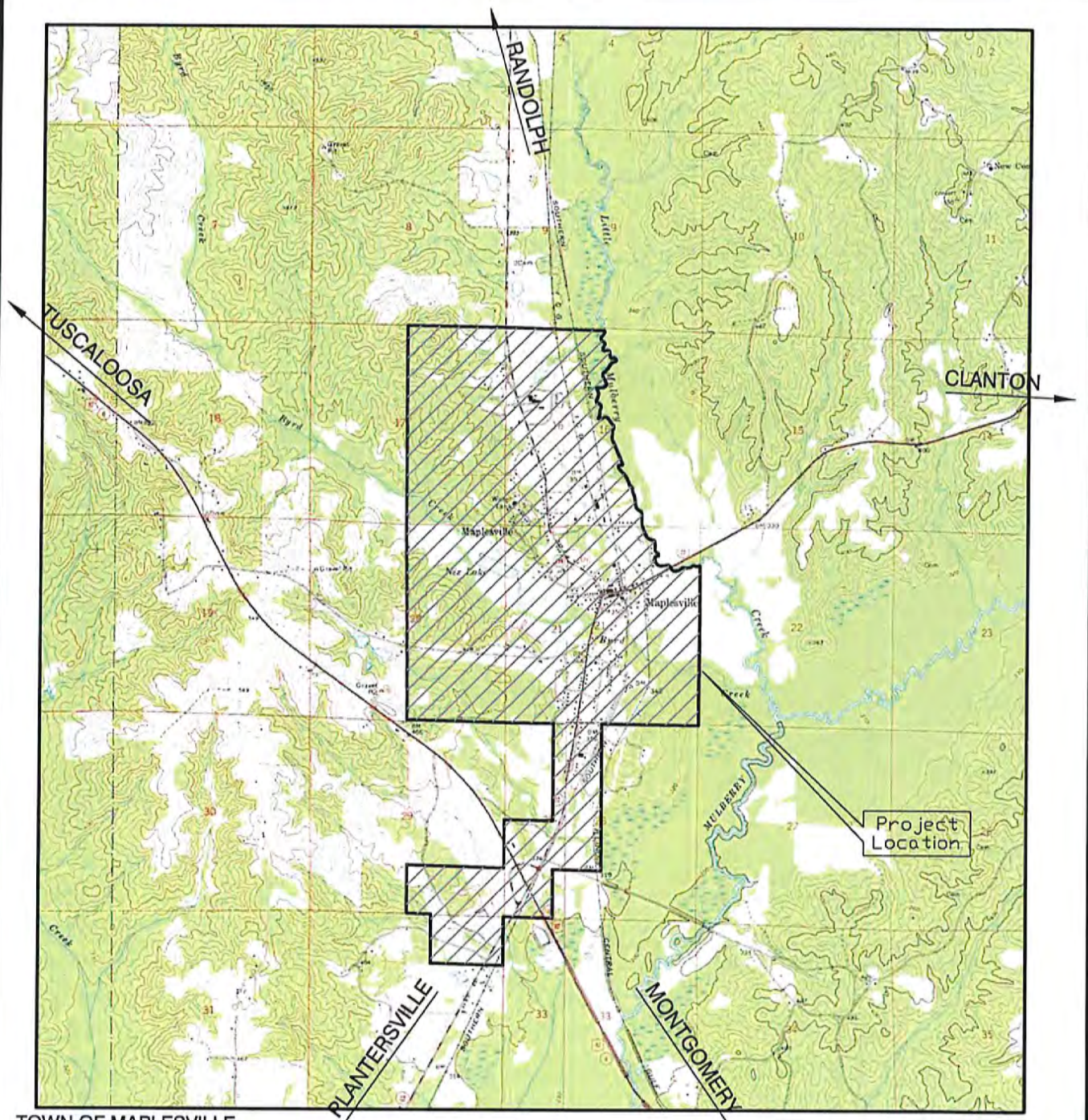
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The Categorical Exclusion is promulgated in the State Environmental Review Process (SERP) in Part IV, Section B: Categorical Exclusions for Clean Water State Revolving Fund Projects: (Italicized sections apply.)

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 sewerered communities with a population less than 10,000;
 - d. Actions where on-site technologies are proposed in unsewered 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.



TOWN OF MAPLESVILLE
 CENSUS YEAR 2000
 POPULATION: 672
 MAPLESVILLE WEST QUADRANGLE
 MAPLESVILLE EAST QUADRANGLE
 7.5 MINUTE SERIES TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
 SECTIONS 16,17,20,21,28,29&32-T21N-R12E



Scale 1" = 4,000 ft



NORTH

Sentell
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 Inc.

Maplesville Sewer Extension
 Maplesville, Alabama
 Topographic Map

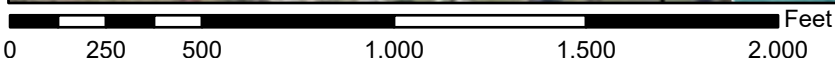
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National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMMette



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86°52'29"W 32°45'38"N

Basemap Imagery Source: USGS National Map 2023

Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT

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|------------------------------------|---|
| SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE)
<i>Zone A, V, A99</i> With BFE or Depth <i>Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR</i> Regulatory Floodway |
| OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile <i>Zone X</i> Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard <i>Zone X</i> Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. <i>Zone X</i> Area with Flood Risk due to Levee <i>Zone D</i> |
| OTHER AREAS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard <i>Zone X</i> Effective LOMRs Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard <i>Zone D</i> |
| GENERAL STRUCTURES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer Levee, Dike, or Floodwall |
| OTHER FEATURES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation
 Coastal Transect Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE) Limit of Study Jurisdiction Boundary Coastal Transect Baseline Profile Baseline Hydrographic Feature |
| MAP PANELS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Data Available No Digital Data Available Unmapped |
- The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location.

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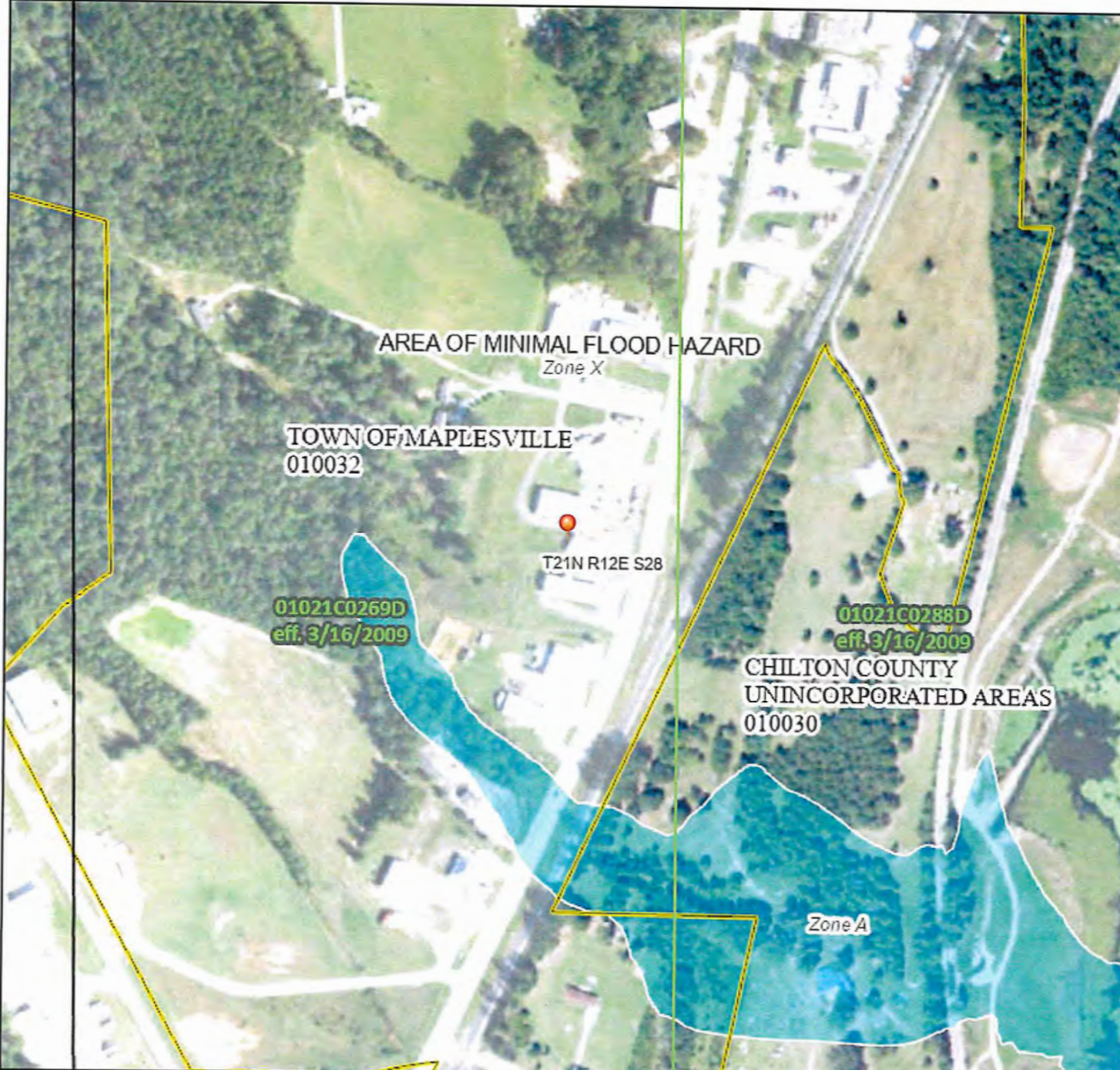
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National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMMette



86°52'52"W 32°46'38"N



86°52'15"W 32°46'7"N

Legend

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SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS		Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE) Zone A, V, A59
		With BFE or Depth Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR
		Regulatory Floodway
OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD		0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Area of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile Zone
		Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Zone X
		Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee, See Notes, Zone X
		Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone C
OTHER AREAS		NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard Zone X
		Effective LOMRs
GENERAL STRUCTURES		Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard Zone
		Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer
		Levee, Dike, or Floodwall
OTHER FEATURES		Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation
		Coastal Transect
		Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE)
		Limit of Study
		Jurisdiction Boundary
MAP PANELS		Digital Data Available
		No Digital Data Available
		Unmapped

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ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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March 25, 2024

Michael Jackson
9420 AL Hwy. 22
Maplesville, AL 36750

Re: AHC 23-0419
Sanitary Sewer Extension-Maplesville
Chilton County

Dear Mr. Jackson:

We concur with the above referenced project provided all construction activities will occur within **existing and previously disturbed** highway right-of-way and/or other previously disturbed areas. For the purposes of this letter, previous disturbance is defined as mechanical disturbance to either culturally sterile subsoil, or the maximum depth of the proposed undertaking. It should be noted that agricultural plowing does not typically meet this threshold of disturbance, nor do previously undisturbed portions of the ROW that require clearing of additional vegetation. 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.

Consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office does not constitute consultation with Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, other Native American tribes, local governments, or the public. If archaeological materials are encountered during construction, the procedures codified at 36 CFR 800.13(b) will apply. Archaeological materials consist of any items, fifty years old or older, which were made or used by man. These items include but are not limited to, stone projectile points (arrowheads), ceramic sherds, bricks, worked wood, bone and stone, metal, and glass objects. The federal agency or the applicant receiving federal assistance should contact our office immediately. If human remains are encountered, the provisions of the Alabama Burial Act (*Code of Alabama* 1975, §13A-7-23.1, as amended; Alabama Historical Commission Administrative Code Chapter 460-X-10 Burials) should be followed. This stipulation shall be placed on the construction plans to ensure 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 Hewett".

Lee Anne Hewett
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

LAH/AMH/nj



June 6, 2024

Logan L. Laird
Sentell Engineering
Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Office
639 Black Bears Way
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Dear Mr. Laird:

Re: **Maplesville Sewer Expansion and Improvement Project**

This letter is in response to your letter requesting our review on the **Maplesville Sewer Expansion and Improvement** project. The Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (RPCGB) does not know of any reason to oppose, and therefore concurs with the project. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Charles Ball'.

Charles E. Ball, AICP
Executive Director



United States Department of the Interior



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In Reply Refer To:

04/16/2026 21:16:43 UTC

Project code: 2026-0077338

Project Name: Maplesville - Water Project

Please provide this document to the Federal agency or their designee with your loan/grant application.

Subject: Technical Assistance letter for the project named 'Maplesville - Water Project' for specified threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, pursuant to the IPaC determination key titled 'Clearance to Proceed with Federally-Insured Loan and Grant Project Requests'.

To whom it may concern:

On April 16, 2026, Logan Laird used the IPaC determination key 'Clearance to Proceed with Federally-Insured Loan and Grant Project Requests'; dated March 17, 2026, in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's online [IPaC tool](#) to evaluate potential impacts to listed species from a project named 'Maplesville - Water Project' in Chilton County, Alabama (shown below):

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@32.78277135,-86.87633057131455,14z>



The following description was provided for the project 'Maplesville - Water Project':

The project is located in Maplesville, AL. Two more pumping stations will be added into the system. 11,600 linear feet of gravity mains and 3,230 linear feet of force mains will be added as well. The extension will all be in previously developed areas, along US Highway 82 on the west side of the road to AL Highway 22 and along AL Highway 22 to the closest gravity collection manhole on oil tank road.

Based on your answers provided, the proposed project is unlikely to have any detrimental effects to federally-listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, per this guidance, Logan Laird has determined that Maplesville - Water Project will have No Effect on the species listed below.

This letter serves as documentation of your consideration of federally-listed species and designated critical habitat. Please see below additional considerations for non-federally listed species (i.e. bald eagles and migratory birds). No further coordination with the Service is necessary.

Please be advised that, if later modifications are made to the project that do not meet the criteria described above, if additional information involving potential effects to listed species becomes available, or if a new species is listed, reinitiation of consultation may be necessary.

CLAMS

- Orangenacre Mucket *Hamiota perovalis* Threatened
- Ovate Clubshell *Pleurobema perovatum* Endangered

FLOWERING PLANTS

- Alabama Canebrake Pitcher Plant *Sarracenia rubra ssp. alabamensis* Endangered
- Georgia Rockcress *Arabis georgiana* Threatened

INSECTS

- Monarch Butterfly *Danaus plexippus* Proposed Threatened

MAMMALS

- Gray Bat *Myotis grisescens* Endangered
- Indiana Bat *Myotis sodalis* Endangered
- Northern Long-eared Bat *Myotis septentrionalis* Endangered
- Tricolored Bat *Perimyotis subflavus* Proposed Endangered

REPTILES

- Alligator Snapping Turtle *Macrochelys temminckii* Proposed Threatened

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-FEDERALLY LISTED SPECIES

- **Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) and Bald Eagle Nest Issues.** The following resources are provided to project proponents and consulting agencies as additional information. Bald and golden eagles are not included in this section 7(a)(2) consultation and this information does not constitute a determination of effects by the Service.

The Service developed the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines to advise landowners, land managers, and others who share public and private lands with Bald Eagles when and under what circumstances the protective provisions of the BGEPA may apply to their activities. The guidelines should be consulted prior to conducting new or intermittent activity near an eagle nest. This document may be downloaded from the following site: <https://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/pdf/management/nationalbaldeaglenanagementguidelines.pdf>

To determine if your proposed activity is likely to take or disturb Golden or Bald Eagles, please contact your local U.S. Fish and Wildlife Office for more information.

If the recommendations detailed in the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines cannot be followed, you may apply for a permit to authorize removal or relocation of an eagle nest in certain instances. The application form is located at <http://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-72.pdf>.

Within the southeast, if any of the above-referenced activities (rehabilitation, demolition, or rebuilding) are proposed to occur **within 660 feet** of an active or alternate bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) nest during the nesting season (October 1 through May 15), we recommend the applicant or their designated agent coordinate with the agency responsible for managing wildlife in their state. For additional information, please visit the Service's regional web page: <https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management/eagle-incident-disturbance-and-nest-take-permits>.

- **Migratory Bird Issues.** If any native birds are using the structures for nesting then actions should be taken so as not to disturb the adults, nests, eggs, or chicks as this could lead to a potential violation of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. If nests are present or any birds are using the structures regularly for roosting purposes, we recommend the applicant or their designated agent coordinate with the appropriate Service's Field Office and visit the Service's Migratory Bird Program website at <https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incident-take-migratory-birds> for recommendations on how impacts can be avoided and minimized.

Logan Laird answered the determination key questions for this project as follows:

1. Does the project intersect Monroe County, FL?

Automatically answered

No

2. Does the project include federal grant funding, a federally-insured loan, or a federal loan transfer?

Yes, the project includes a federally-insured loan or federal grant funding.

3. Does the project involve a federal loan transfer, where the original lending or mortgage institutions for existing projects are no longer holding the loan and the property is being transferred via a federally-backed loan?

No

4. Is the entire site currently developed/hard-surfaced (i.e., the site consists entirely of existing roads, sidewalks, buildings, driveways, etc., and does not contain any undeveloped and/or vegetated areas)?

Yes, the entire site is already developed/hard-surfaced.

5. Will completion of this project require clearing or land disturbance of previously **undeveloped** habitat (e.g., native habitat, agricultural areas, pasture, etc.) **beyond the original footprint of the existing project**?

Note: Examples of land disturbance may include, but is not limited to: grading, vegetation removal, excavation, use of prescribed fire, off-road vehicle access, soil compaction, seismic survey, directional drilling, heavy equipment, grading, trenching, placement of fill, pesticide application (e.g., insecticide, herbicide, fungicide), cultivation, development, etc.

*No, this project will **not** require clearing of any undeveloped habitat.*

6. Is the federally-insured loan or federal grant funding being used for demolition, rehabilitation, renovation, and/or rebuilding of one or more existing facilities (e.g., residential, commercial and industrial sites, or utilities)?

Yes, the project includes Federal funding for work on existing facilities.

7. Does your project involve structures that are being used by any federally endangered or threatened species (e.g., roosting bonneted bats, denning indigo snakes, etc.) or are there known reports of species using the site?

*No, the site and/or structure(s) are **not** being used by any federally listed species.*

Attachments:

- Project questionnaire
- Determination key description: Clearance to Proceed with Federally-Insured Loan and Grant Project Requests
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service contact list

PROJECT INFORMATIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

As part of completing the determination key, Logan Laird provided the following information about their project:

1. How many square feet of facilities will be affected by this project?

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2. Which types of activities you will be conducting:

Utilities

3. Please describe the activity you will be conducting:

Construction of sanitary sewer collection system to existing treatment plant.

4. Please describe the loan/grant program you are using

ADEM - State Revolving Funds

5. Please describe the loan/grant program you are using

Environmental Protection Agency

6. Are there bald eagles within 660 feet of the site, or migratory birds or bats using structures on the site?

None of the above

7. Which types of structures this funding will address:

Sewer pipelines

DETERMINATION KEY DESCRIPTION: CLEARANCE TO PROCEED WITH FEDERALLY-INSURED LOAN AND GRANT PROJECT REQUESTS

This key was last updated in IPaC on March 17, 2026. Keys are subject to periodic revision.

This determination key is for all Federally-insured loans, loan transfers, or grant project requests that may be completed without requiring additional clearing of undisturbed habitat beyond the original footprint of the existing project. Projects may include demolition, rehabilitation, renovations, and/or rebuilding of existing structures (*e.g.*, commercial buildings, multi-family housing, single-family housing), and various utility and infrastructure projects such as water and wastewater treatment facilities, sewer or power line repair, telecommunications upgrades, etc. For the purposes of this key, Federal loan transfers are those transfers where the original lending or mortgage institutions for existing projects are no longer holding the loans, and the properties are being transferred via federally-backed loans. ---- The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead Federal agency charged with the protection and conservation of Federal Trust Resources, such as threatened and endangered species and migratory birds, in accordance with section 7 of the [Endangered Species Act of 1973](#), as amended (Act) (87 Stat. 884; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the [Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act](#), (16 U.S.C. 668-668d) (Eagle Act), and the [Migratory Bird Treaty Act](#) (40 Stat. 755; 16 U.S.C. 701 et seq.). Recently, many Federal agencies have activated programs that have resulted in an increased consumer demand to initiate projects through federally-backed loans and grants, all of which require those same Federal agencies to comply with Section 7 of the Act. Consequently, we have experienced an increase in the number of requests for review of these government-backed loan and grant projects. These include, but are not limited to:

1. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Neighborhood Stabilization and Community Development Block Grant programs;
2. U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy program;
3. U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Housing Assistance and Rural Development Loan and Grant Assistance programs;
4. U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulatory airport and runway modifications;
5. U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Assistance program;
6. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Clean Water State Revolving Fund; and
7. U.S. Department of Commerce's (DOC) National Telecommunications and Information Administration Broadband Grant programs.

In order to fulfill the Act's statutory obligations in a timely and consistent manner, and to assist Federal agencies, State and local governments, and consultants in addressing Section 7 and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental impact review requirements, we provide the following guidance and clearance relative to the criteria stated below for Federally-insured loan and grant project requests. This guidance is based on the signed letter: [U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Clearance to Proceed with Federally-Insured Loan and Grant Project Requests](#)

in Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Yreka Fish and Wildlife Office, Kansas, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Southern Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office, Reno Fish and Wildlife Office, and Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office.

IPAC USER CONTACT INFORMATION

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Name: Logan Laird
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City: Tuscaloosa
State: AL
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Email: llaird@sentell.net
Phone: 2053727123

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Lead Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

You have indicated that your project falls under or receives funding through the following special project authorities:

- BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL) (OTHER)



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
441 G STREET NW
WASHINGTON DC 20314



05/19/2026

Regulatory Mobile District

Utilities Board of the Town of Maplesville
C/O Tony Cochran
9400 Highway 22
Maplesville, AL 36750
Via Email: utdb@bellsouth.net

Dear Mr. Cochran:

This is an automated response from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Regulatory Request System to your request for confirmation that a Department of the Army (DA) permit is not required for your proposed project. The project/review area is located at 11 AL Highway 139, Maplesville, AL 36750. The project has been assigned a Regulatory Request System Tracking Number 49251. This number should be referenced in all communication concerning this project.

Based on the information you have provided, your work as proposed is not a regulated activity pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (RHA) and/or Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), and therefore, does not require a Department of the Army permit unless new information (including changes to project plans) warrants revision.

This letter does not obviate the requirement to obtain permits from other Federal, State, or local authorities that may be necessary for your project. Additionally, if your project is located in the vicinity of a federal project, approval from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) may be required under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 408, "Section 408") to alter or occupy a USACE federally authorized project. It is your responsibility to contact the appropriate District to determine whether Section 408 authorization is required. Additional information about Section 408 can be found at <https://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Section408/>.

This letter does not address or include any consideration of geographic jurisdiction of aquatic resources and may not be interpreted as such. Should you desire an official USACE determination that jurisdictional "waters of the United States," or "navigable waters of the United States" are either present or absent on the project site, you may

submit a Request for Jurisdictional Determination / Aquatic Resource Delineation through the Regulatory Request System at: <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs>.

This determination is based solely on the information you provided as of 05/19/2026 and has not been verified by the USACE. It is your responsibility to ensure no unauthorized work in “navigable waters of the United States” or discharges of dredged or fill material into “waters of the United States” occur as part of the proposed project. Performing such an action without obtaining the requisite authorization may be considered a violation of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and/or the Clean Water Act and may result in enforcement action. Your electronic request and associated responses will be retained by the Corps and may be used for enforcement purposes.

If you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please contact the Mobile District at 251-690-2658 or you may visit the District’s website at <http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx> for additional information concerning the regulatory program. Please reference this Tracking Number 49251 in all comments and/or inquiries relating to this project.

cc: Logan Laird, Sentell Engineering via llaird@sentell.net