

Categorical Exclusion

North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure

Project Applicant: *Town of Bethel*
Date: *12/04/2020*
Project Number: *WIF 1985*
Estimated Project Cost: *\$1,394,340*
Estimated Funding Amount: *\$1,367,000*

Project Description: Replacement of 1,500 LF of 2-inch galvanized iron water mains with a combination of 6-inch and 2-inch PVC water mains; Installation of 5,100 LF of 6-inch water main extension to provide additional interconnect with GUC; Replacement of all (approximately 750) water meters; Rehabilitation of Well #3, including construction of a new building, replacement of all piping and valve vault, installation of new chemical feed system and electrical improvements; Additional miscellaneous distribution system and elevated tank improvements required as part of the Town's water system merger to the Greenville Utilities Commission's water system.

The above named applicant will receive funding assistance from the State Revolving Fund. The North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure (Division) has conducted a review of the project in accordance with the NCGS §159G-38. The Division has determined that this project is below the minor construction activities threshold outlined in 15A NCAC 01C .0408; therefore, the project is exempt from inter-agency review, and the preparation of additional environmental documents is not required.

This determination shall become effective upon its distribution by the Division and will be available on the Division's website (<https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-infrastructure/division-water-infrastructure/environmental-documents>). This determination can be revoked at any time adverse information is made available. The documentation to support this decision will be on file with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Infrastructure, and is available for public scrutiny upon request.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Ms. Jennifer Haynie, Environment and Special Projects Unit, Division of Water Infrastructure, 1633 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699, or she can be reached by phone at (919) 707-9173.

Sincerely,

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