

## Categorical Exclusion

### North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure

Project Applicant: *City of Albemarle*  
Date: *August 12, 2022*  
Project Name: *Long Creek WTP Treatment Process Rehab*  
Project Number: *CS370522-08*  
Estimated Project Cost: *\$19,385,000*  
Estimated Funding Amount: *\$19,005,000*

**Project Description:** The proposed project includes the following improvements at the City's existing wastewater treatment plant: modification of the influent pump station, conversion of two aeration basins to equalization basins, installation of fine bubble diffusers in remaining aeration basins, modification to the clarifiers splitter box, installation of a blower and electrical room, installation of two clarifiers; electrical system upgrade including a generator, SCADA upgrades, and associated piping and drainage, controls, and appurtenances.

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 the 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 Mr. Jon Risgaard, Section Chief, State Revolving Fund Section, Division of Water Infrastructure, 1633 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699, or he can be reached by phone at (919) 707-9175.

Sincerely,



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