CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT OF: Water Main Replacement

Jamestown (Stutsman County), North Dakota

DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND PROJECT NUMBER: 4700498-15

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) has conducted a review of the proposed Water Main Replacement for the City of Jamestown in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR Part 6). The NDDEQ has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion and is exempt from further substantive environmental review.

Because the proposed project meets the criteria for a categorical exclusion, a full Finding of No Significant Impact and Environmental Assessment will not be required. Following is a description of the proposed project and a brief statement of how the project meets the criteria for a categorical exclusion.

The project consists of the replacement of deteriorated water mains, valves, and hydrants. The existing water mains are in poor condition with most being original cast iron pipe. The water main replacement will improve the existing deficiencies in the drinking water system.

The City of Jamestown plans to apply for a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan to finance the project.

The North Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer concurs with the determination of "No Adverse Effect" provided the project takes place in the location and manner described in the documentation and all borrow comes from an approved source (ND SHPO Ref.: 25-0048). It has been determined that exempting the proposed project from further review under the National Environmental Policy Act will not result in adverse impacts to the population or area of Jamestown and Stutsman County.

The documentation to support this decision will be on file and available for public review at the NDDEQ, Division of Municipal Facilities.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Aaron Wellman, Environmental Engineer, Division of Municipal Facilities, North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, 4201 Normandy Street, 3rd Floor, Bismarck, ND, 58503-1324.

Dated the 16^h day of April 2025.

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