

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

TO ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As required by guidelines for the preparation of environmental impact statements, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed action below:

Project: Maddock Water Treatment Plant Improvements

Customer: Central Plains Water District

Location: Maddock (Benson County), North Dakota

DWSRF Project No.: 5201309-03

Total Cost: \$9,714,000

A Finding of No Significant Impact for this project was originally published on August 8, 2024 in Benson County. The finished water transmission line has been relocated and the original Finding of No Significant Impact is being amended.

The proposed project is for the installation of a water line from the water treatment plant (WTP) to an existing Central Plains Water District (CPWD) water line.

CPWD has applied for a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan of \$9,714,000 to finance the project. The city has the legal authority and financial and administrative capability to construct the proposed improvements.

The project site will include approximately 1 ½ miles of PVC water line located approximately half a mile west of Highway 30. For further discussion of this, see Item V, Environmental Impacts of Proposed Project in the Environmental Assessment document. Wetlands, area flood plains, threatened or endangered species habitat, or archeological sites will not be adversely impacted.

The North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office concurs with the determination of “No Historic Properties Affected” for this project provided it takes place in the location and in the manner described in the documentation and provided all borrow comes from an approved source (ND SHPO Ref.: 25-0277). The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has reviewed this project (ID No. NWO-2023-01067-BIS) and determined that the water line is covered under National Permit 58.

The review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an environmental impact statement has been made. This action is taken on the basis of a careful review of the engineering report, environmental information document, and other supporting data that are on file in the Municipal Facilities Division of the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Shannon Fisher, DWSRF Program Manager, Division of Municipal Facilities, North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, 4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck, ND, 58503-1324.

After evaluating the comments received, the agency will make a final decision; however, no administrative action will be taken on the project for at least 30 calendar days after release of the Finding of No Significant Impact.

Dated the 28th day of August, 2025.

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