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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER NEPA DETERMINATION



RECIPIENT: City of Folkston, Georgia

STATE: GA

PROJECT TITLE:

EECBG - City of Folkston Energy Retrofit Project

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number CFDA #81.128

Procurement Instrument Number DE-EE0000806

NEPA Control Number CID Number

GFO-0000806-002

Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Order 451.1A), I have made the following determination:

CX, EA, EIS APPENDIX AND NUMBER:

Description:

B5.1 Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.

Rational for determination:

The City of Folkston is proposing to use \$234,900 in EECBG funding to replace existing, inefficient waste water treatment pond aerators with new, high efficiency units. There will be a total of seven aerators replaced with new aerators. Electrical equipment at the wastewater pond will be modified for the new units.

There will be no new construction or expansion of the existing buildings. All aspects of the proposed project will occur within the facility boundary. There are existing access roads to the project site and the project site consists of mowed, grassy areas. The waste water treatment pond area is surrounded by thick trees and light residential areas. There are not expected to be adverse effects to threatened and endangered species, wetlands, or floodplains as these resources are not present at the project site.

The project has been reviewed by the Georgia DNR Historic Preservation Division which made a determination that no historic properties or archeological resources would be affected by the proposed project (letter attached)

The proposed project is consistent with activities outlined in B5.1 "actions to conserve energy"; therefore, the proposed project is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist:

EF2a completed by Logan Sholar

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

_ Date: _/1/54/10