



# GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

### CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CE) REQUEST WASTEWATER PROJECTS

#### SECTION I – FUNDING SOURCE(S):

1. Project name: North and South Sewage Oxidation Ponds
2. Funding:  CWSRF  ARC  ARPA  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
State Fiscal Recovery Fund
3. Loan/Grant number: GA-006802  
(from agency administering the loan/grant)
4. Anticipated loan/grant amount: \$312,500.00

#### SECTION II – LOAN/GRANT APPLICANT:

1. Name of municipality, county, etc. requesting the loan/grant: City of Concord
2. Street address/P.O. Box: *50 Main Street/ P.O. Box 175*
3. City: *Concord*      4. State: *GA*      5. Zip: *30206*      6. County: *Pike*
7. Contact person: *John Strickland*
8. Title: *Mayor*
9. Phone Number: *(770) 884-5221*
10. Email: *cityofconcord@bellsouth.net*

#### SECTION III – PROJECT ENGINEER:

1. Firm name: *Carter & Sloope, Inc.*
2. Street address: *115 Woodland Way, Suite 120*
3. City: *Canton*      4. State: *GA*      5. Zip: *30114*
6. Contact person: *Kurt T. McCord, P.E.*
7. Phone number: *(770) 479-8782*
8. Email: *kmccord@cartersloope.com*

#### SECTION IV – DOCUMENTS NEEDED:

1. Provide map showing project location and including project coordinates.
2. Provide project description/preliminary engineering report
3. Provide a copy of any correspondence sent and/or received from other State agencies (if any)



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August 9, 2022

Honorable John Strickland, Mayor  
City of Concord  
Post Office Box 175  
Concord, Georgia 30206

RE: ARPA Grant No. GA-0006802  
Categorical Exclusion (CE)  
North WPCP and South WPCP Upgrade  
NPDES Permit Nos. GA0025461 & GA0025470  
EPD Project No. 2022-123  
(Pike County)

Dear Mayor Strickland:

Attached is a copy of a *Categorical Exclusion* (CE) prepared for the above-referenced project. The public comment period for this CE is 30 days. **Please ensure that the CE is posted at a conspicuous location, such as at Concord City Hall, for public review for 30 days from the date of this letter.**

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (470) 524-0733 or [august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov).

Sincerely,

August Lutkehus  
Municipal Permitting Unit  
Wastewater Regulatory Program

Attachment: CE

cc: Amanda Carroll, GEFA ([acarroll@gefa.ga.gov](mailto:acarroll@gefa.ga.gov))  
John Strickland, City of Concord ([cityofconcord@bellsouth.net](mailto:cityofconcord@bellsouth.net))  
Kurt T. McCord, Carter & Sloope, Inc. ([kmccord@cartersloope.com](mailto:kmccord@cartersloope.com))



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404-656-4713

### **CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION**

North WPCP and South WPCP Upgrades  
NPDES Permits Nos. GA0025461 and GA0025470  
City of Concord (Pike County)  
ARPA Grant No. GA-0006802

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has conducted a review of the above project in accordance with the State's Environmental Review Process (SERP). EPD has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, no further environmental review is planned. The proposed project consists of retrofitting the existing oxidation ponds at both the North WPCP and South WPCP with new aerators and baffle curtains, along with a new influent screen. Existing buildings will not be impacted as a result of this project. All construction will be located on City owned-property.

This project is eligible for a categorical exclusion because it meets the following specific criteria, outlined in the SERP: minor rehabilitation of existing facilities and construction of new ancillary facilities adjacent to existing facilities that do not affect the degree of treatment or capacity of the existing facility. Furthermore: the project will not create a new or relocate an existing discharge to surface or ground waters; the project will not substantially increase the volume of discharge or loading of pollutants; the project will not provide capacity to serve a population 30% greater than the existing population; the project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment; the action will not directly or indirectly affect cultural resources, habitats of endangered or threatened species, or environmentally important natural resource areas; and the action is cost-effective and should cause no significant public controversy.

This determination becomes effective after thirty (30) days following its distribution by EPD. This exclusion may be revoked at any time if: 1) the project is altered and no longer meets the requirements of a categorical exclusion, 2) new evidence shows that serious environmental issues exist, or 3) a local, State or Federal law is being or may be violated. The information which supports this decision is on file with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division and is available for public review upon request. A copy of the proposed project documentation is also available for review at Concord City Hall in Pike County, Georgia.

Categorical Exclusion  
ARPA Grant No. GA-0006802  
City of Concord  
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All interested agencies, groups and persons supporting or disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit comments within thirty (30) days of the publish date of this notice via email to [august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:august.lutkehus@dnr.ga.gov) or to the following address:

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Watershed Protection Branch  
Wastewater Regulatory Program  
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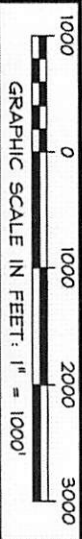
After evaluating the comments received, EPD will make a final decision regarding approval of the project. No administrative action will be taken on the project for thirty (30) calendar days after publication of this Notice.

08/09/2022



Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Richard E. Dunn, Director  
Environmental Protection Division



TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

DATE	04/18/22
BY	JM
CHECKED	AS SHOWN
DRAWN	AS SHOWN
SCALE	AS SHOWN
TITLE	CONCORD CITY LIMITS
PROJECT	CONCORD CITY LIMITS
CLIENT	CITY OF CONCORD
NO. OF SHEETS	1
TOTAL SHEETS	1

**Carter & Sloop**  
 CONSULTING ENGINEERS  
 MACON ♦ MOULTRIE ♦ ATHENS ♦ CANTON  
 115 WOODLAND WAY - SUITE 120 - CANTON GA 30114 - 770-479-8782 TEL. - 770-479-1884 FAX

ARPA UPGRADES TO NORTH AND SOUTH  
 OXIDATION PONDS  
 FOR THE  
**CITY OF CONCORD**  
**PIKE COUNTY, GEORGIA**  
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