Categorical Exclusion

North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure

Project Applicant:	City of Hendersonville
Date:	October 14, 2026
Project Name:	Water System Resiliency Looping Project
Project Number:	SRF-D-HEL-0025
Estimated Project Cost:	$17,300,000
Estimated Funding Amount:	$13,500,000

Project Description: The proposed drinking water system resiliency looping project will include the construction of multiple new redundant water main loops that will connect to existing waterlines throughout the City of Hendersonville system. The project area includes Brookside Camp Road, Mountain Road, Rugby Drive, Howard Gap Road, Pace Road, South Orchard Road, Road, Hyder Allen Lane, North Rugby Road, McMurray Road, and Dana Road.

The above-named applicant will receive funding assistance from the State Revolving Fund. The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, 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 Division, and is available for public scrutiny upon request.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed in writing to Ms. Stephanie Suter, Deputy Director, Division of Water Infrastructure, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, 1633 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699. Alternatively, she can be reached via telephone at 919.707.9044 or via e-mail at stephanie.suter@deq.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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