



REGION 3

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

April 8, 2024

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites the public to comment on its preliminary Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) based on the Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared by EPA Region 3 for the Greenbrier County Public Service District No.2's Phase II Waterline Extension project located in West Virginia. This project will include two water line extensions. One extension will serve approximately 110 residents in the currently unserved area between the Town of Rainelle and the unincorporated community of Charmco. The second extension will serve approximately 165 residents in the currently unserved area between the unincorporated areas of Sam Black Church and Clintonville. This project will be partially financed with EPA funding appropriated under the Fiscal Year 2022 Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 117-103).

EPA has prepared this FONSI as part of its independent environmental review of the project and EPA's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) procedures under 40 C.F.R. Part 6.

- EA: EPA assessed four (4) actions to evaluate the effects of project implementation on environmental resources: three (3) alternative actions and a No Action alternative. The EA did not identify significant effects to resources as a result of implementing any of the four (4) actions.
- FONSI: EPA has concluded that the environmental impacts of the two water line extensions in Greenbrier County, WV are expected to be minimal, and as such, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared. EPA's assessment considered the Greenbrier County Public Service District No.2's Preliminary Engineering Report (March 2021) and findings from the review of IPAC and the NEPAAssist tools. No adverse environmental impacts are anticipated from the implementation of this project.

EPA is holding a 30-day public comment period from Monday, April 8, 2024 through Tuesday, May 7, 2024. Comments should be submitted to EPA on or prior to May 7, 2024 via email to R3CommunityProjects@epa.gov or in writing to:

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EPA will consider all comments received prior to making a final decision. The preliminary FONSI will become final after the 30-day comment period expires if no new significant information is provided to alter this finding.

EPA's preliminary FONSI, the EA, and the supporting state and local documents are available for download from EPA's NEPA Compliance Database at <https://cdxapps.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-ii/public/action/nepa/details?nepald=461531>, and for public review at the EPA office noted above and the Greenbrier County Public Service District No. 2's office located at 222 Bill Johnson Drive, Rainelle, WV 25962.