Determination of Minor Construction Activity

North Carolina Division of Water Quality
Construction Grants and Loans Section

Project Applicant: Town of Bryson City
Date: April 29, 2009
Project Number: 2W370845-01
Estimated Project Cost: $ 499,570
Estimated Funding Amount: $ 166,524

Project Description: The Town of Bryson City operates an existing suction lift pump station (Powell Lift Station) that presents continual maintenance problems and is not pumping to its designed capacity. The proposed project consists of the replacement of the Powell Lift Station with a new duplex submersible pump station along with an emergency generator and automatic transfer switch. Also as part of this project, approximately 2,700 linear feet of existing 10-inch vitrified clay sanitary sewer will be replaced with 16-inch ductile iron pipe. The existing sewer is in poor condition and needs to be replaced to reduce inflow and infiltration. The project parallels the Tuckaseigee River. Existing manholes will be replaced with new manholes with watertight lids and venting as appropriate.

The above named applicant intends to apply for assistance from the State Revolving Fund program associated with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to construct the wastewater facilities described above. The North Carolina Division of Water Quality (DWQ) has conducted a review of the project in accordance with the procedures (NCAC 15A Subchapter 1C) for conformance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act. The DWQ has determined that this project is a minor construction activity, and that the preparation of additional environmental documents is not required.

This determination shall become effective upon its distribution by DWQ. 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 North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Water Quality, Construction Grants and Loans Section, and is available for public review at www.nccgl.net.

Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to Mr. Kim H. Colson, P.E., Assistant Chief, Construction Grants and Loans Section, Division of Water Quality, 1633 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1633, or he may be reached by phone at (919) 715-6212.

Sincerely,

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