

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority (EPWSA) has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding through the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS) as a sub-recipient.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990, FEMA is required to consider alternatives to and to provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state, and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions.

Applicant: Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority (EPWSA)

Project Title: Generators and Portable Pump to Serve EPWSA WWTF's and Lift Stations

Location of Proposed Work:

Name of Structure: See Table

Address of Structure: See Table, Eatonton, Putnam County, GA

A map showing the location of all proposed installation locations is available by contacting:

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Location	Address	Latitude	Longitude	Date of Construction
Hogan Blvd. Lift Station	Hogan Blvd	33.318450	-83.380449	2016, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP
Sheriff's Department/ Jail Lift Station	411 Milledgeville Road	33.304927	-83.393492	2016, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP
Eastside WWTF	444 Oconee Springs	33.322781	-83.362850	1969, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: This project is for the installation of transfer switches and generators in flood zone AE (1% annual chance flood elevation) and A (no base flood elevation determined). Confirmation of location in an SFHA was made by reference to the latest Flood

Insurance Rate Map, Panels 13237C0134C and 13237C0142C. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of Georgia and local floodplain regulations.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

Eatonton- Putnam Water and Sewer is requesting funds to purchase and install generators and transfer switches at critical facilities located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). The proposed work conforms to all applicable local and state floodplain regulations. The proposed work has no effect on the local floodplain. The generators and transfer switches will be elevated to the 500-year flood level to mitigate any possible flood damage.

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (no action alternative): If not action is undertaken, the locations will continue to be at risk of experiencing prolonged power outages due to weather events. When there are power failures, sewer and waste water systems can be overwhelmed and can result in sewage spills of untreated waste into streams, rivers and other water sources

Alternative #2: The only practicable alternative is to rent a portable generator and transfer switches in the event of severe weather or other major storms. However, rental equipment might not be available at the moment needed.

Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state or federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to the Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority (EPWSA). All comments are due within 30 days of this notice. The Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed.

Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

Eatonton-Putnam Water & Sewer Authority

Address: 663 Godfrey Road, Eatonton, Georgia 31024
Phone #: 706-485-5252

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End of Notice