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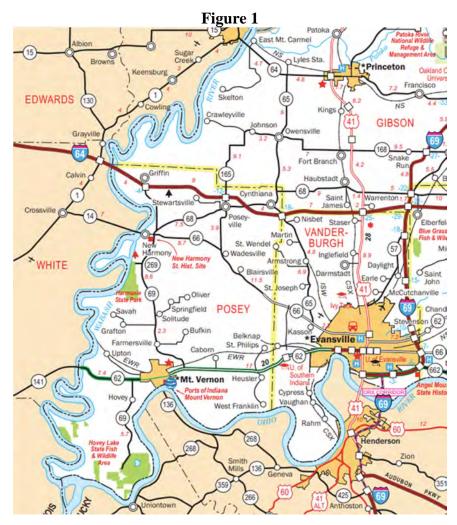
Chapter 1

Project Planning Area

A. Project Location and Background Information

1. General Location Map

Posey County lies in the far southwest corner of the state of Indiana. Figure 1 shows the general location of Posey County relative to other municipal entities in the area. The City of Mt. Vernon is the largest city in Posey County. Other notable cities are Evansville to the east and Princeton to the northeast. East Gate / Marrs area is located in the southeastern portion of the county along S.R. 62.



 $\underline{Source: \ https://www.in.gov/indot/files/2023_Roadway_Map-NEW-SIZE extended-e-version.pdf}$

Figure 2



Source: Google Earth

Figure 3



Source: Google Earth

2. Aerial Area Map East

The East Gate subdivision and Marrs Center area is shown in Figure 2, which is along the S.R. 62 corridor between Evansville/Vanderburgh County to the east and the City of Mt. Vernon to the west.

3. Aerial Area Map West

Figure 3 depicts the existing Harbortown subdivision area and existing Posey County RSD wastewater treatment plant to the east of the City of Mt. Vernon. The existing Harbortown collection and treatment facilities are the only Posey County Regional Sewer District assets in the project area.

Chapter 2 Current Situation

A. History & Need

Posey County Regional Sewer District (RSD) was officially formed in January 2018 to provide wastewater service to unincorporated communities within the county. The Regional Sewer District worked with the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) to address a severe sewage treatment need in the Harbortown Subdivision, which is located 2.25 miles east of Mt. Vernon on the south side of S.R. 62. A small treatment plant (Harbortown located 1.25 miles east of Mt. Vernon on the south side of S.R. 62) and grinder pumps were designed and construction was initiated January 2019 with completion in April 2020. An application was submitted by the district in August 2018 for a subsequent plan for the communities of Wadesville and Blairsville. The Wadesville-Blairsville treatment plant was completed in late 2023 and the collection system is ending construction at the time of this report in early 2024.

There are many small communities within Posey County which do not currently have public wastewater collection and treatment systems. Instead, the homes and businesses use on-site septic systems. Septic disposal fields (also called leach fields) are used to distribute the effluent from the septic tank into the ground. Disposal fields commonly consist of shallow, gravel filled trenches with distribution pipes running from the septic tank. Old septic systems tend to fail and the most frequent example of failure is ponding from overloaded leach fields. Ponded wastewater then overflow into nearby ditches, streams, and lakes. Appendix E contains excerpts from a 2009 Big Creek Watershed Management Plan report and subsequent E. Coli testing data and graphs from 2023 by the Posey County Soil & Water Conservation District. The Big Creek watershed is within the north future planning area of the Marrs Center area, the results are indicative of rural areas of Posey County and surrounding areas of unsewered communities.

The current planning area for this project includes the East Gate subdivision, Marrs Elementary School and the S.R. 62 corridor in between the East Gate subdivision and the west City limits of the City of Mt. Vernon. Future expansion in the Marrs Center and St. Phillips Road areas to the north are envisioned for the project area. A Marrs Center regional lift station would be able to convey future hookups to the west to either the existing Harbortown WWTP or the City of Mt. Vernon.

B. Existing Wastewater Treatment Plants

Posey County RSD currently owns two (2) wastewater treatment plants in the district. Harbortown is a 15,500 gallons per day average design flow, 67,000 gallons per day peak design flow Sequencing Batch Reactor wastewater treatment plant including a mechanical fine screen, two (2) process tanks, ultraviolet light disinfection, sludge dewatering facilities, and effluent plant lift station. The second wastewater treatment plant in the district is the recently constructed Wadesville-Blairsville plant which was designed for 200,000 gallons per day average flow, 730,000 gallons per day peak design flow and includes a mechanical fine screen, Biolac system containing an aeration basin with retrievable fine bubble diffusers and an integrated secondary clarifier, ultraviolet light disinfection, cascade post-aeration structure, and sludge dewatering facilities.

C. Existing Wastewater Collection System

The existing Harbortown collection system consists of approximately 10,100 feet of 1.25" thru 3" high density polyethylene (HDPE) low pressure sewer main and 27 individual grinder pumps. The existing Wadesville-Blairsville collection system consists of approximately 76,300 feet of 2" thru 6" HDPE low pressure sewer main and 420 individual grinder pumps. Although the Wadesville-Blairsville system is still under construction and final installed footage of pipe and number of grinders is to be determined.

D. East Gate / Marrs Center / S.R. 62 Corridor Wastewater Flows

When planning for wastewater facilities, it is essential to estimate design wastewater flows and organic loadings. To estimate these, the number of residential, commercial and industrial users within the planning area should be evaluated. This analysis revealed a total of approximately 145 possible customers of which are predominantly residential connections for this initial project. No industrial users were identified, however the Marrs Elementary School is included as well as a few possible small commercial connections. Based upon state code and IDEM permitting requirements, the average daily flow is estimated at 310 gallons per day (gpd) per customer, and the peak daily flow is estimated at 4.2 times the average daily demand based upon a peaking factor related to the service population. Based upon past experience and water usage records the actual average and peak flows will likely be 30 to 40% less (approx. 200 gpd) than the design flows for purposes of treatment volume and associated costs for treatment by the existing Harbortown facility or City of Mt. Vernon.

The projected initial average daily wastewater design flow is estimated to be 46,000 gallons per day (gpd) and a peak hourly flow is estimated to be 193,000 gpd.

Again, based upon experience the initial average daily flow is only expected to be on the order of 30,000 gpd including the Marrs Elementary School.

E. Condition of Existing Facilities

As previously noted, the existing wastewater treatment plants and collection systems were put into operation in 2020 and currently. Some of the original mechanical components for Harbortown will start to show wear and some equipment repair and replacements are expected to occur over time as the system ages.

Chapter 3 Future Situation

A. Population and Wastewater Flow Projections

A key to any wastewater utility planning report is an understanding of current and future demands of the facilities. For wastewater planning, this requires a sound, reliable projection of future population and an understanding of land use and development trends occurring within the service area or future service areas.

Population projections for Posey County are estimated to decrease over the next twenty (20) years, thus unfortunately there is expectation of a declining population during the study period. Population projections are not available for townships or Cities, however for Posey County the population in 2020 was 25,053 and is projected to decrease to 21,979 by 2040, which is a 12.3% decrease.

Posey County Regional Sewer District is hopeful that providing wastewater collection and treatment service to rural customers will help slow the projected decline in population of the county and reverse the projected trend. The service area and likely growth for the S.R. 62 corridor is likely to expand with future growth and service area expansion.

Thus, for purposes of this report potential future added customers were also evaluated in the immediate area for collection system design including limited vacant or undeveloped lots in the area. The Marrs Center area, St. Phillips areas to the north as well as other areas will likely increase future wastewater flows in the immediate service area, thus a regional lift station in the Marrs Center area is included in the analysis. Hundreds of future hookups would be possible if future collection mains are conveyed to this regional lift station.

Please refer to Appendix F for a future service area map of potential service areas for future connections and projects. The customer counts depicted on the maps are approximate based on service addresses. The five areas depicted on the map total almost 1,400 potential customers, however it was beyond the scope of this report to determine the most feasible route to serve these customers. If it is assumed that 70% of them can be served by this initial project, then close to 1,000 customers may result in approximately 120,000 to 200,000 gallons per day additional flow for just the existing households. Once the new force main sewer for this initial project is installed along S.R. 62 it is anticipated that development should occur, which will result in well over 200,000 gpd future flow.

Chapter 4

Evaluation of Alternatives

A. Wastewater Collection and Treatment Alternatives

1. No Action

An alternative, which can be applied to the wastewater needs, is to take no action. The alternative of no action to develop pollution control facilities offers neither short nor long term benefits. Currently, conditions within the East Gate and Marrs Center areas are not conducive to on-site treatment systems. As time progresses, the condition of the on-site septic systems would only further deteriorate. Also, the Marrs Center Elementary School treatment facilities are currently deficient. The no action alternative would thus increase the potential for serious health hazards.

Thus, the "No Action" Alternative is therefore not considered a viable long-term solution and is not considered further.

2. Conventional Gravity Sewer System

This type of sewer system is the most common, most widely used wastewater collection system. Conventional gravity sewers consist of 8-inch or larger diameter pipes constructed with specific slopes. Manholes are provided at least every 400 feet and at every change in direction, pipe slope or pipe size. The manhole is usually 4 feet in diameter, which allows sufficient room for a worker to reach the pipe for cleaning and inspection. The network of sewers allows sewage to drain by gravity to low-lying areas. Pump stations are required where sewers get excessively deep or gravity flow is no longer available. From the pump stations, the sewage is pumped through pipelines called force mains. Force mains, being under pressure, are constructed like water mains, buried approximately 4 feet deep and follow the terrain. A simplified sketch of a conventional gravity system is presented as Figure 4. Conventional gravity sewers have been and continue to be very economical in high population density urban areas. The deep construction and large pipe sizes make a conventional system very expensive in low population density rural areas, and in areas with shallow rock or high groundwater. An overall map that presents a possible gravity sewer collection system layout is located in Appendix A. It should be noted that a complete gravity sewer collection system is not practical, thus some areas are proposed to be collected by individual grinder pumps and low pressure sewers for this alternative.

Treatment options were also evaluated by either expanding the existing Harbortown Treatment plant or treatment by the City of Mt. Vernon. This alternative assumes treatment by the City of Mt. Vernon. Regionalization with Mt. Vernon provides the most flexibility for future expansion. The other two (2) alternatives will evaluate both treatment options.

Probable construction costs are presented in Table 1 for the Conventional Gravity Sewer System Alternative. Probable O&M costs are also presented.

Figure 4
Conventional Gravity Sewer System

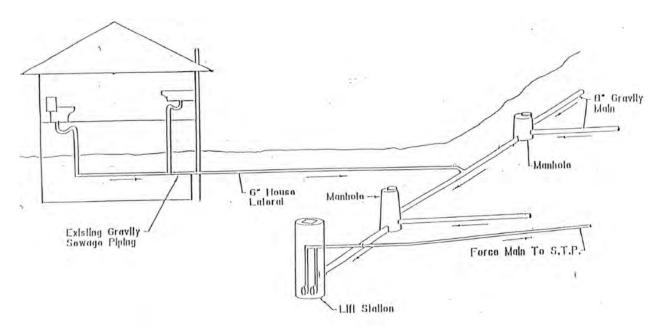


TABLE 1 PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR

GRAVITY SEWER SYSTEM ALTERNATE (MT. VERNON TREATMENT) FOR THE

MARCH, 2024

POSEY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA

I. PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY		ESTIMATED UNIT COST		ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	
1.	8" SEWER, 0 - 6' DEPTH	3,580	L.F.	\$	90.00	\$	322,200.00
2.	8" SEWER, 6' - 8' DEPTH	1,900	L.F.	\$	95.00	\$	180,500.00
3.	8" SEWER, 8 '- 10' DEPTH	2,080	L.F.	\$	110.00	\$	228,800.00
4.	8" SEWER, 10' - 12' DEPTH	500	L.F.	\$	130.00	\$	65,000.00
5.	8" SEWER, 12' - 14' DEPTH	620	L.F.	\$	160.00	\$	99,200.00
6.	8" SEWER, 14' - 16' DEPTH	40	L.F.	\$	220.00	\$	8,800.00
7.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	560	L.F.	\$	25.00	\$	14,000.00
8.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	9,220	L.F.	\$	35.00	\$	322,700.00
9.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	37,201	L.F.	\$	58.00	\$	2,157,658.00
10.	4" PVC FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	600	L.F.	\$	81.00	\$	48,600.00
11.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	1,140	L.F.	\$	128.00	\$	145,920.00
12.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	240	L.F.	\$	175.00	\$	42,000.00
13.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	740	L.F.	\$	195.00	\$	144,300.00
14.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	560	L.F.	\$	385.00	\$	215,600.00
15.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	5,200	L.F.	\$	22.00	\$	114,400.00
16.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY UNCASED BORING	900	L.F.	\$	51.00	\$	45,900.00
17.	SIMPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	39	EA.	\$	7,750.00	\$	302,250.00
18.	DUPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	3	EA.	\$	37,000.00	\$	111,000.00
19.	TRI OR QUADPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	1	EA.	\$	57,000.00	\$	57,000.00
20.	SERVICE CONNECTION AND CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY	43	EA.	\$	1,900.00	\$	81,700.00
21.	6" SERVICE SEWER ALL DEPTHS	13,910	L.F.	\$	75.00	\$	1,043,250.00
22.	MANHOLE 0 - 6' DEPTH	38	EA.	\$	6,000.00	\$	228,000.00
23.	ADDITIONAL DEPTH OF MANHOLE	36	VF.		500.00	\$	18,000.00
24.	MANHOLE DROP	10	EA.	\$	2,500.00	\$	25,000.00
25.	CLEANOUT AND FLUSHING STATION	18	_	\$		\$	108,000.00
26.	AIR RELIEF VALVE	12	EA.	\$	9,000.00	\$	108,000.00
27.	8" X 6" WYE	98		\$		\$	34,300.00
28.	CONNECTION TO NEW REGIONAL L.S.	1	_	\$		\$	
29.	CONNECTION TO EX. MT. VERNON LIFT STATION	1		\$		\$	10,000.00
30.	NEW MARRS REGIONAL LIFT STATION	1	_	\$		\$	
31.	STONE BACKFILL AND RESURFACING	8,000	TON		30.00	\$	240,000.00
32.	BITUMINOUS RESURFACING	2,400	_	\$		\$	139,200.00
33.	CONCRETE RESURFACING	270	L.F.		90.00	\$	24,300.00
34.	LIFT STATIONS	6	-	\$		\$	1,080,000.00
35.	TRAFFIC CONTROL DURING CONSTRUCTION	1	L.S.		150,000.00	\$	150,000.00
36.	MOBILIZATION, BONDS, AND INSURANCE	1	L.S.		576,000.00	\$	576,000.00
37.	EROSION CONTROL PLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION	1	L.S.		150,000.00	\$	150,000.00
			_		UB-TOTAL	\$	9,246,578.00
		CONSTR TOTAL PROBABLE		CONT	INGENCIES	\$	924,422.00 10,171,000.00
II. PRO	BABLE COLLECTION SYSTEM O&M COSTS						
1.	LINE MAINTENANCE (\$0.25 per inch diameter per linear foot p	per year)					\$127,100.00
2.	2. TREATMENT COST (estimated at \$10.57/1,000 gal for first 10k gal and \$9.25/1,000 for up to 65k gal)						\$106,100.00
3.	INSURANCE						\$20,300.00
4.	MISC. AND CONTINGENCIES						\$25,500.00
		TOTA	AL ANNU	IAL O	&M COSTS		\$279,000.00

3. Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System (Mt. Vernon Treatment)

Low pressure grinder pump collection systems use one or more small pumps located in pump pits connected to one or more building gravity laterals. The pumps grind the sewage solids into small particles. The pumps discharge into a collection system consisting of small pressure force mains, generally 1.5 to 4-inches in diameter. The force mains follow the existing ground elevations and need to be only deep enough to prevent freezing. Power for the pumps must come from one of the buildings connected to the pump pit or from a meter drop line. Figure 5 presents a simplified sketch of a grinder pump system. This type of wastewater collection system is economical in low density rural areas and in areas where the topography makes construction of gravity sewers unfeasible, such as areas around lakes. The existing collection system for Posey Regional Sewer District is a low pressure grinder system as well. An overall map that presents a possible low pressure sewer collection system layout is located in Appendix A.

Treatment for this alternative is presented to be provided by the City of Mt. Vernon. Regionalization with Mt. Vernon provides the most flexibility for future expansion.

Probable construction costs are presented in Table 2 for the Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System with Treatment by Mt. Vernon Alternative. Probable O&M costs are also presented.

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Figure 5
Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System

TABLE 2 PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR

LOW PRESSURE GRINDER PUMP SEWER SYSTEM ALTERNATE (MT. VERNON TREATMENT) FOR THE

POSEY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA MARCH, 2024

I. PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMA QUANT		ESTIMATED UNIT COST		STIMATED STAL COST
1.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	5,000	L.F	\$ 25.00	\$	125,000.00
2.	3" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	2,540	L.F	\$ 28.00	\$	71,120.00
3.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	7,270	L.F	35.00	\$	254,450.00
4.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	36,100	L.F	58.00	\$	2,093,800.00
5.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	920	L.F	58.00	\$	53,360.00
6.	3" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	600	L.F	65.00	\$	39,000.00
7.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	420	L.F	81.00	\$	34,020.00
8.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	1,140	L.F	128.00	\$	145,920.00
9.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	240	L.F	175.00	\$	42,000.00
10.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	740	L.F	195.00	\$	144,300.00
11.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	560	L.F	385.00	\$	215,600.00
12.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	16,900	L.F	\$ 22.00	\$	371,800.00
13.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY UNCASED BORING	2,800	L.F	51.00	\$	142,800.00
14.	SIMPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	137	EA5	7,750.00	\$	1,061,750.00
15.	DUPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	3	EA 5	37,000.00	\$	111,000.00
16.	TRI OR QUADPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	1	EA5	57,000.00	\$	57,000.00
17.	SERVICE CONNECTION AND CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY	141	EA	1,900.00	\$	267,900.00
18.	CLEANOUT AND FLUSHING STATION	25	EA 5	6,000.00	\$	150,000.00
19.	AIR RELIEF VALVE	20	EA 5	9,000.00	\$	180,000.00
20.	4° OR 6° GRA VITY SERVICE LATERAL TO GRINDER PUMP STA.	7,050	L.F	\$ 45.00	\$	317,250.00
21.	CONNECTION TO EX. LIFT STATION	1	EA 5	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00
22.	CONTROL VALVE PIT AT HARBORTOWN	1	EA5	75,000.00	\$	75,000.00
23.	NEW MARRS REGIONAL LIFT STATION	1	EA5	600,000.00	\$	600,000.00
24.	STONE BACKFILL AND RESURFACING	740	TON_S	\$ 30.00	\$	22,200.00
25.	TRAFFIC CONTROL DURING CONSTRUCTION	1	L.S5	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00
26.	MOBILIZATION, BONDS, AND INSURANCE	1	L.S	484,000.00	\$	484,000.00
27.	EROSION CONTROL PLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION	1	L.S5	150,000.00	\$	150,000.00
				SUB-TOTAL	\$	7,319,270.00
	TOTAL			CONTINGENCIES RUTION COSTS	<u>\$</u>	731,730.00 8,051,000.00
II. PRO	DBABLE COLLECTION SYSTEM O&M COSTS		2001.51		Ψ	0,022,000100
1.	LINE MAINTENANCE (\$0.25 per inch diameter per linear foot per year))				\$89,500.00
2.	TREATMENT COST (estimated at \$10.57/1,000 gal for first 10k gal and		or up to 65	k gal)		\$106,100.00
3.	INSURANCE		-r to 30	G7		\$16,100.00
4.	MISC. AND CONTINGENCIES					\$21,300.00
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		TOTA	AL ANNU	AL O&M COSTS		\$233,000.00

4. Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System (Harbortown Expansion)

Low pressure grinder pump collection systems use one or more small pumps located in pump pits connected to one or more building gravity laterals. The pumps grind the sewage solids into small particles. The pumps discharge into a collection system consisting of small pressure force mains, generally 1.5 to 4-inches in diameter. The force mains follow the existing ground elevations and need to be only deep enough to prevent freezing. Power for the pumps must come from one of the buildings connected to the pump pit or from a meter drop line. Figure 5 presents a simplified sketch of a grinder pump system. This type of wastewater collection system is economical in low density rural areas and in areas where the topography makes construction of gravity sewers unfeasible, such as areas around lakes. The existing collection system for Posey Regional Sewer District is a low pressure grinder system as well. An overall map that presents a possible low pressure sewer collection system layout is located in Appendix A.

Treatment for this alternative is presented to be provided by expanding the existing Harbortown WWTP to an average design flow of 46,500 gpd plant (4 basin design).

Probable construction costs are presented in Table 3 for the Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System with Treatment by expanding Harbortown Alternative. Probable O&M costs are also presented.

TABLE 3 PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR

LOW PRESSURE GRINDER PUMP SEWER SYSTEM ALTERNATE (HARBORTOWN EXPANSION) FOR THE

POSEY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA MARCH, 2024

I. PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMA QUANT		STIMATED JNIT COST		TIMATED TAL COST
1.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	5,000	L.F\$	25.00	\$	125,000.00
2.	3" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	2,540	L.F. <u>\$</u>	28.00	\$	71,120.00
3.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	7,270	L.F\$	35.00	\$	254,450.00
4.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	21,380	L.F. \$	58.00	\$	1,240,040.00
5.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	920	L.F\$	58.00	\$	53,360.00
6.	3" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	600	L.F\$	65.00	\$	39,000.00
7.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	420	L.F. <u>\$</u>	81.00	\$	34,020.00
8.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY UNCASED BORING	480	L.F\$	128.00	\$	61,440.00
9.	2" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	240	L.F. \$	175.00	\$	42,000.00
10.	4" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	740	L.F\$	195.00	\$	144,300.00
11.	8" FORCE MAIN, BY CASED BORING	340	L.F. \$	385.00	\$	130,900.00
12.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY OPEN CUT PLACEMENT	16,400	L.F\$	22.00	\$	360,800.00
13.	1-1/4" SERVICE LINE, BY UNCASED BORING	2,800	L.F. \$	51.00	\$	142,800.00
14.	SIMPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	135	EA. \$	7,750.00	\$	1,046,250.00
15.	DUPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	1	EA\$	37,000.00	\$	37,000.00
16.	TRI OR QUADPLEX GRINDER PUMP STATION	1	EA. \$	57,000.00	\$	57,000.00
17.	SERVICE CONNECTION AND CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY	137	EA. \$	1,900.00	\$	260,300.00
18.	CLEANOUT AND FLUSHING STATION	20	EA. \$	6,000.00	\$	120,000.00
19.	AIR RELIEF VALVE	16	EA. \$	9,000.00	\$	144,000.00
20.	4° OR 6° GRAVITY SERVICE LATERAL TO GRINDER PUMP STA.	6,850	L.F. \$	45.00	\$	308,250.00
21.	CONNECTION TO HARBORTOWN WWTP	1	EA. \$	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00
22.	HARBORTOWN WWTP EXPANSION	1	L.S\$	3,600,000.00	\$	3,600,000.00
23.	NEW MARRS REGIONAL LIFT STATION	1	EA. \$	600,000.00	\$	600,000.00
24.	STONE BACKFILL AND RESURFACING	740	TON_\$	30.00	\$	22,200.00
25.	TRAFFIC CONTROL DURING CONSTRUCTION	1	L.S. \$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00
26.	MOBILIZATION, BONDS, AND INSURANCE	1	L.S\$	600,000.00	\$	600,000.00
27.	EROSION CONTROL PLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION	1	L.S\$	150,000.00	\$	150,000.00
				SUB-TOTAL ONTINGENCIES	\$	9,754,230.00 975,770.00
		PROBABL	E CONSTR	UTION COSTS	\$ 1	10,730,000.00
	DBABLE COLLECTION SYSTEM O&M COSTS					
1.	LINE MAINTENANCE (\$0.25 per inch diameter per linear foot per year))				\$58,300.00
2.	TREATMENT COST (estimated at \$5.00/1,000 gal)					\$54,800.00
3.	INSURANCE					\$21,500.00
4.	MISC. AND CONTINGENCIES					\$13,400.00
		TOT	AL ANNUA	L O&M COSTS		\$148,000.00

B. Present Worth Cost Analysis

The present value factor (P) is determined by:

$$P = (1/(1+r)^n)$$

Where: r =the discount rate, in this case 2.0%

(OMB Circular A-94 with a real interest rate of 2.0%)

n =the project term, 20 years

Employing the above figures, the present worth (P) of the salvage value at the end of a 50-year life expectancy is calculated by multiplying its value by 0.369

Present worth of annual operation, maintenance, and equipment replacement costs is calculated by multiplying its value by:

$$[(1+r)^n - 1] \div [r(1+r)^n] = 19.184$$

The following table presents the present worth analysis.

TABLE 4

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	Alternate 2. Alternate 3.		Alternate 4.		
Item	Gravity Sewer Alternate with Mt. Vernon Treatment	Low Pressure Sewer Alternate with Mt. Vernon Treatment	Low Pressure Sewer Alternate with Harbortown Treatmen		
Cost Summary:					
a. Total Capital Cost	\$10,171,000	\$8,051,000	\$10,730,000		
b. Annual O&M Increase	\$279,000	\$233,000	\$148,000		
Present Worth Analysis:					
c. Total Capital Cost	\$10,171,000	\$8,051,000	\$10,730,000		
d. Present Worth, Annual O&M (Present worth factor = 19.184)	\$5,352,359	\$4,469,892	\$2,839,244		
e. Present Worth Salvage	\$3,756,206	\$2,973,278	\$3,962,648		
(Present worth factor = 0.369)					
Total Present Worth , (c + d) minus e	\$11,767,154	\$9,547,613	\$9,606,597		

Based upon the present worth analysis, the Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System with Mt. Vernon Treatment Alternate is the lowest present worth cost and preferred alternative. Expansion of the Harbortown WWTP would still be limited even after expansion and not be cost effective considering future Marrs Center / St. Phillips area customers being added to the system for future projects/phases.

Chapter 5

Evaluation of Environmental Impacts

This chapter examines the potential environmental impacts of proposed improvements and the necessary mitigation measures. Due to the nature of the project, the wastewater system improvements will have a minor short-term impact. With proper mitigation efforts, those impacts can be minimized even further.

The evaluation of environmental impacts involves site inspection and a consideration of local land use, soils types and conditions, floodway issues, and coordination with state and local agencies. During the evaluation process, it is also appropriate to identify the various permits that may be required to implement a proposed alternative.

All improvements recommended as part of this project will be completed within existing right-of-ways or utility easements and along existing utility corridors or right-of-ways where possible. Construction related impacts will be confined to areas of surface disturbance. Most land disturbance will be limited to superficial, localized disruption created by the entrance of construction traffic for delivery and installation of wastewater improvements. Mitigative measures should adequately address any temporary impacts associated with construction activities.

A. Wetlands

National Wetland Inventory Maps are presented in Appendix A. There will be no direct or indirect impacts to wetlands caused by the proposed project. All mitigation measures to lessen and compensate for wetland impacts cited in comment letters about the project from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be implemented. Directional drilling will be utilized for stream crossings to avoid disturbance and impact.

B. Disturbed and Undisturbed Land

The project area is located along existing right-of-ways or utility easements and along existing utility corridors. There will be no significant impact to undisturbed land in the project area.

C. Surface Waters

None of the proposed improvements will adversely affect exceptional use streams, State resource waters, or Natural and Scenic Rivers. Normal sediment and erosion control management practices and good project site housekeeping will be utilized to minimize any impacts to surface water features. Directional drilling will be utilized for stream crossings to avoid disturbance and impact.

D. Groundwater

The proposed project will not have an adverse impact on the groundwater or other wells in this area. There should be minimal dewatering associated with typical construction practices as part of the project. There are no sole source aquifers in the project area.

E. 100 Year Floodplain

The project area was reviewed with respect to facilities located within a designated floodplain or floodway. No construction areas are located in or will negatively impact any 100-year floodplain areas. A Floodplain Map of the project area is included in Appendix B.

No adverse impacts to floodplains or floodways are anticipated, and no structures will be modified in a manner which could affect flood elevations or upstream drainage areas.

F. Plants and Animals

There are no known endangered or threatened species of plants or animals that would be negatively impacted within the planning area. All construction activity will be confined to existing utility easements or public right-of-way or utility corridors. There are no known occurrences of rare or State-listed animals or plants, significant natural communities, or other significant habitats, on or in the immediate vicinity of the project site.

G. Prime Farmland

No conversion of prime farmland and no construction will take place beyond existing utility corridors or adjacent to public right-of-ways. Any areas which are disturbed by construction activity will be immediately restored to original condition to re-establish ground cover.

If required by State or Local regulations, an erosion control plan will be implemented to prevent soil erosion. Any storm-water runoff from the site will be consistent conditions which existed prior to construction activity.

H. Air Quality

No permanent air emissions will be produced by the proposed project or its alternatives. There should be no odors produced by construction or minimal odors produced by the operation of the proposed facilities. Therefore, no indirect or cumulative impacts on air quality within the planning area should occur. Dust produced by construction may temporarily affect air quality. Project connected emission sources are machinery exhausts, workers' automobile exhausts and power supplier emissions due to electricity used by the project. All these sources will be direct and temporary impacts and will be controlled by requiring equipment to be in good working order.

To minimize the affects on air quality, construction activities shall be limited to normal working periods and proper clean up practices shall be implemented. Surface wetting practices will be utilized to control dust emissions. Any other mitigation measures cited in comment letters will be implemented. Air quality will not be adversely affected by this proposed project or any of its alternatives.

I. Open Space and Recreational Opportunities

Proposed construction activities will neither create nor eliminate open space or recreational opportunities within the project area.

J. Lake Michigan Coastal Program

The proposed project will have no impact on the Lake Michigan Coastal Zone.

K. Soils

Soils maps are provided from the Posey County soil survey mapping publications within the project area. The soils in the project area are conducive to construction activities and will not impact construction.

A soils map of the project area is provided in Appendix B.

L. National Natural Landmarks

There are no known National landmarks in the project area. Construction and operation of the proposed facilities will have no impact on National landmarks.

M. Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation measures will be required to be followed during construction along with any other mitigation measures cited in comment letters from the environmental agencies.

- 1. Upon completion of construction, the contractor shall remove all equipment, temporary structures, waste materials and rubbish from the vicinity of which the work was being done. The premises should be left in a neat and presentable condition. Therefore, there should be no negative indirect or cumulative impacts to the visual aesthetics of the project area.
- 2. No fill material will be placed in flood areas that would impact the floodplain and the original grade will be restored when work is completed. Directional drilling will be utilized for stream crossings to avoid wetland or stream disturbance and impact.
- 3. The area around all construction will be restored to its original condition after construction is complete to minimize the direct impacts. All disturbed areas of this project located outside of the pavement will be refurbished and seeded to establish cover and prevent erosion. Siltation devices or temporary seeding will be utilized, where applicable. The contractor in charge of construction must abide by local and state requirements to minimize soil erosion. This will include complying with IDEM's rule for construction storm water runoff, if applicable.
- 4. To minimize the effects on air quality, construction activities shall be limited to normal working periods and proper clean up practices shall be implemented. Surface wetting practices will be utilized to control dust emissions.

Chapter 6 Selected Plan

A. Scope of Recommended Improvements

Alternative 3. Low Pressure Grinder Pump Sewer System with treatment by the City of Mt. Vernon is the recommended alternative.

- a. Description This alternative includes installation of a low pressure grinder pump wastewater collection system in the East Gate subdivision area, along S.R. 62 corridor with minor "spur" lines off the main line to connect homes along the route towards Harbortown and Mt. Vernon. A Marrs Center Regional lift station is also included in the proposed layout and connection of the Marrs Elementary School is also planned.
- b. Design Criteria Design, construct, and install all improvements in accordance with IDEM minimum standards of design for public wastewater collection systems. The collection system includes individual grinder pumps (simplex, duplex, and tri or quadplex), a regional lift station, and 2" thru 4" low pressure force main collection sewers with 8" force main from regional lift station along S.R. 62 to Mt. Vernon's existing East Water Street lift station, and associated appurtenances.
- c. Environmental Impacts The construction would have minimal or short-term environmental impacts as described in the environmental chapter. Construction would not impact the 100-year flood plain or wetlands. After construction, all disturbed areas must be resurfaced to original conditions. Directional drilling will be utilized for stream crossings to avoid wetland disturbance and impact.
- d. Land Requirements The project area is located along existing right-of-ways or utility easements and along existing utility corridors where possible. Acquisition of a new site for the regional lift station will be required.
- e. Potential Construction Problems The problems associated with construction are believed to be minimal, but may include weather conditions, conflicts with other utilities, and coordination of the operation of the existing wastewater system during construction.

f. Conclusions – The proposed improvements will address short and long term needs of the service area by eliminating septic systems.

As this is a preliminary engineering report, it is anticipated that the use of this document is largely for planning purposes and in support of funding activities. As the project moves forward, the project detailed scope and design will be developed and the costs will be refined as needed.

B. Project Cost

The cost estimates presented herein are considered appropriate for the level of detail associated with the preliminary planning phase of a project. The costs are based on budgetary information obtained from various equipment vendors and suppliers, available information and historical data from bid tabulations for public works projects of comparable work and similar scope. A contingency has been added to account for unanticipated costs which may be incurred during the course of construction. This approach reduces the likelihood of budget surprises when the detailed design and bidding process is complete.

The estimated capital costs for the recommended improvements were presented in Table 2. Table 5 summarizes the capital improvement costs and includes estimated non-construction costs associated with design, bidding, construction engineering, legal, bond counsel, rate consulting fees, etc.

TABLE 5 PROBABLE PROJECT COST FOR

WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS - LOW PRESSURE GRINDER PUMP SEWER SYSTEM

POSEY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA MARCH, 2024

FOR THE

I. PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST

\$8,051,000.00

II. PROBABLE NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS

1.	Administration and Labor Standards	\$25,000.00
2.	Permits & Advertising	\$2,000.00
3.	Legal	\$75,000.00
4.	Rate Accountant	\$45,000.00
5.	Bond Counsel	\$45,000.00
6.	Preliminary Engineering	\$31,000.00
7.	Engineering	\$725,000.00
8.	Bidding, General Observation / Contract Administration	\$161,000.00
9.	Inspection	\$244,000.00
10.	Archaeological for Environmental Review (if required)	\$30,000.00
11.	SRF Closing Fees	\$35,000.00
12.	County Highway Bond (if required)	\$75,000.00
13.	Land Acquisition and Legal Desciptions	\$50,000.00
14.	Non-Construction Contingencies	\$77,000.00

TOTAL PROBABLE NON-CONSTRUCTION COST

\$1,620,000.00

III. PROBABLE PROJECT COST

\$9,671,000.00

IV. PROBABLE ANNUAL ADDED O&M COSTS

\$233,000.00

C. Project Implementation Schedule

Implementing the recommended improvements would follow a normal progression of design, public bidding and construction, with time allowed for regulatory review and plan approvals.

The following time-table presents the anticipated schedule of activities and milestones assuming SRF funding of the project along with a possible bond anticipation note to cover preliminary costs. A bond anticipation note (BAN) is a short-term interest-bearing security issued in advance of a larger, future funding instrument. The issuing entity uses the note as short-term financing, with the expectation that the proceeds from a larger, future bond issue will cover the costs of the short-term security.

TABLE 5
Project Implementation Schedule

Task Description	Est. Completion Date
SRF Loan/Grant Application and PER Submittal	March, 2024
Public Hearing for PER	April, 2024
Anticipated SRF Project Approval / Grant and Loan Offer	July/August, 2024
Proceed with Design, Plans, and Specifications	August, 2024
Submit Final Plans and Specifications to IDEM	December, 2024
Advertise for Bids	December, 2024
Receive Bids for Construction Project	January, 2025
Receive IDEM Construction Permit	February, 2025
Award Construction Contract	March, 2025
SRF Loan Closing	March, 2025
Initiate Construction	April, 2025
Substantial Completion of Construction	April, 2026
Final Completion, Initiate Operation	May, 2026

Chapter 7 - Legal, Financial, Managerial Capabilities

1. Management Resolutions

- a. Designated Signatory Authorization refer to Appendix C
- **b.** Preliminary Engineering Report Acceptance Resolution refer to **Appendix** C

2. Financial

a. SRF Financial Information Form refer to Appendix C

3. Land Acquisition

No land acquisition is anticipated as part of this project.

4. Asset Management Program (AMP)

The Posey County Regional Sewer District has developed an Asset Management Program that meets the requirements defined by the State Revolving Fund's Asset Management Program Guidelines pursuant to Indiana Code 5-1.2-10-16.

Chapter 8 - Public Participation

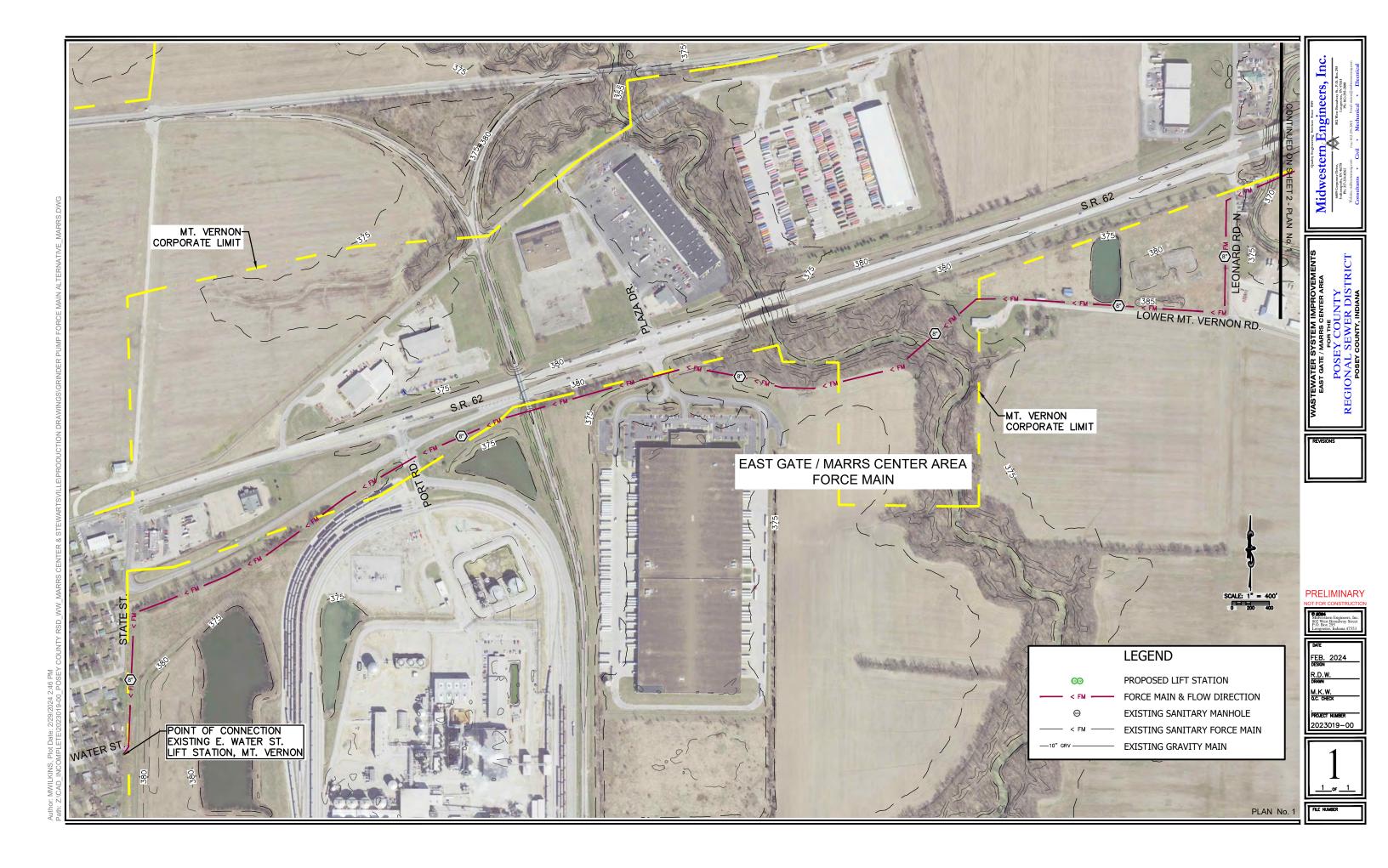
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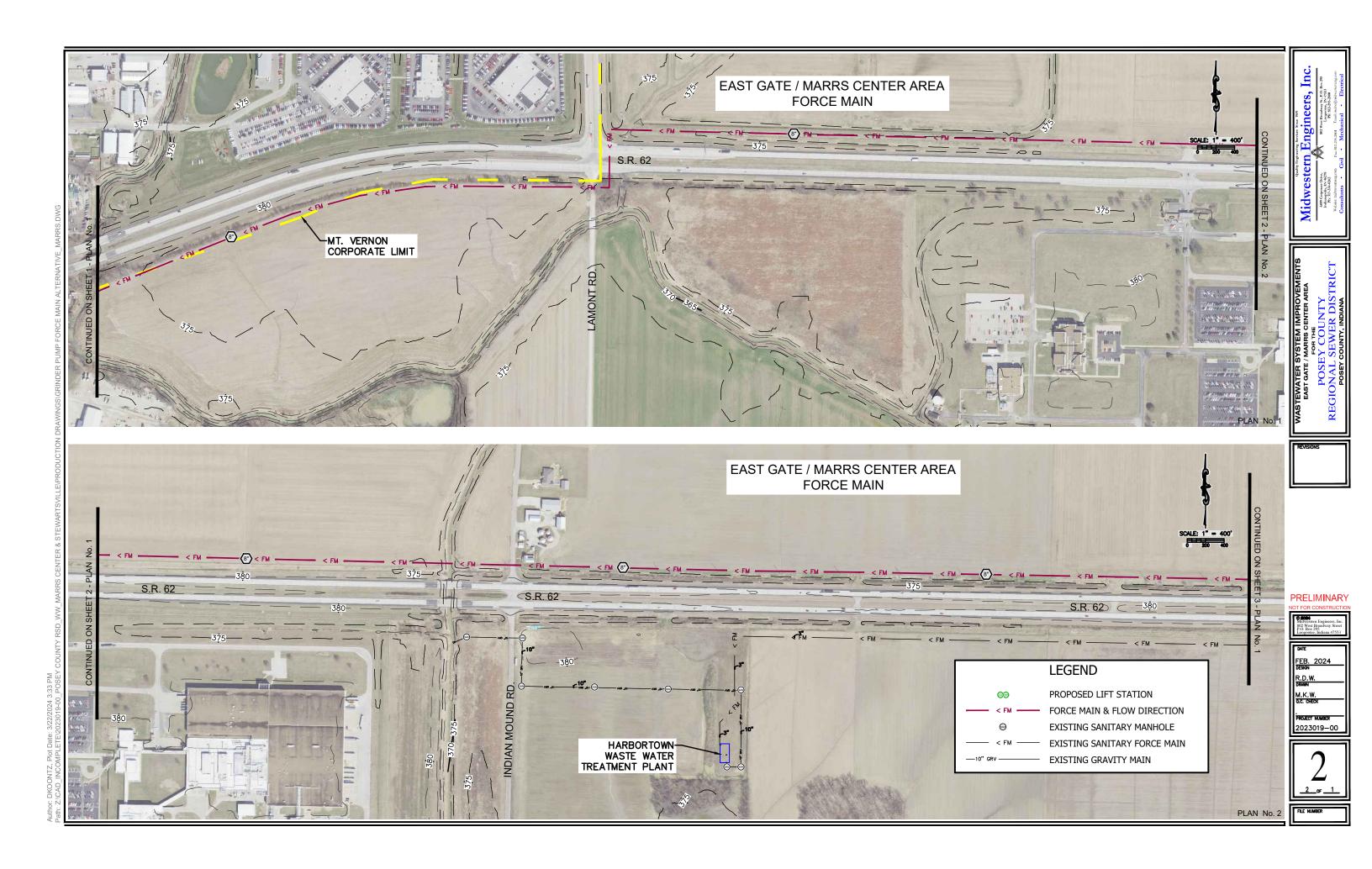
As required, the Posey County Regional Sewer District will hold a public hearing on ______ to discuss the project. The public hearing will be advertised in the local newspaper ten (10) days prior to the hearing. The PER will be available for public review 10 days prior to the hearing. Comments will be accepted at the hearing and for five (5) days afterwards.

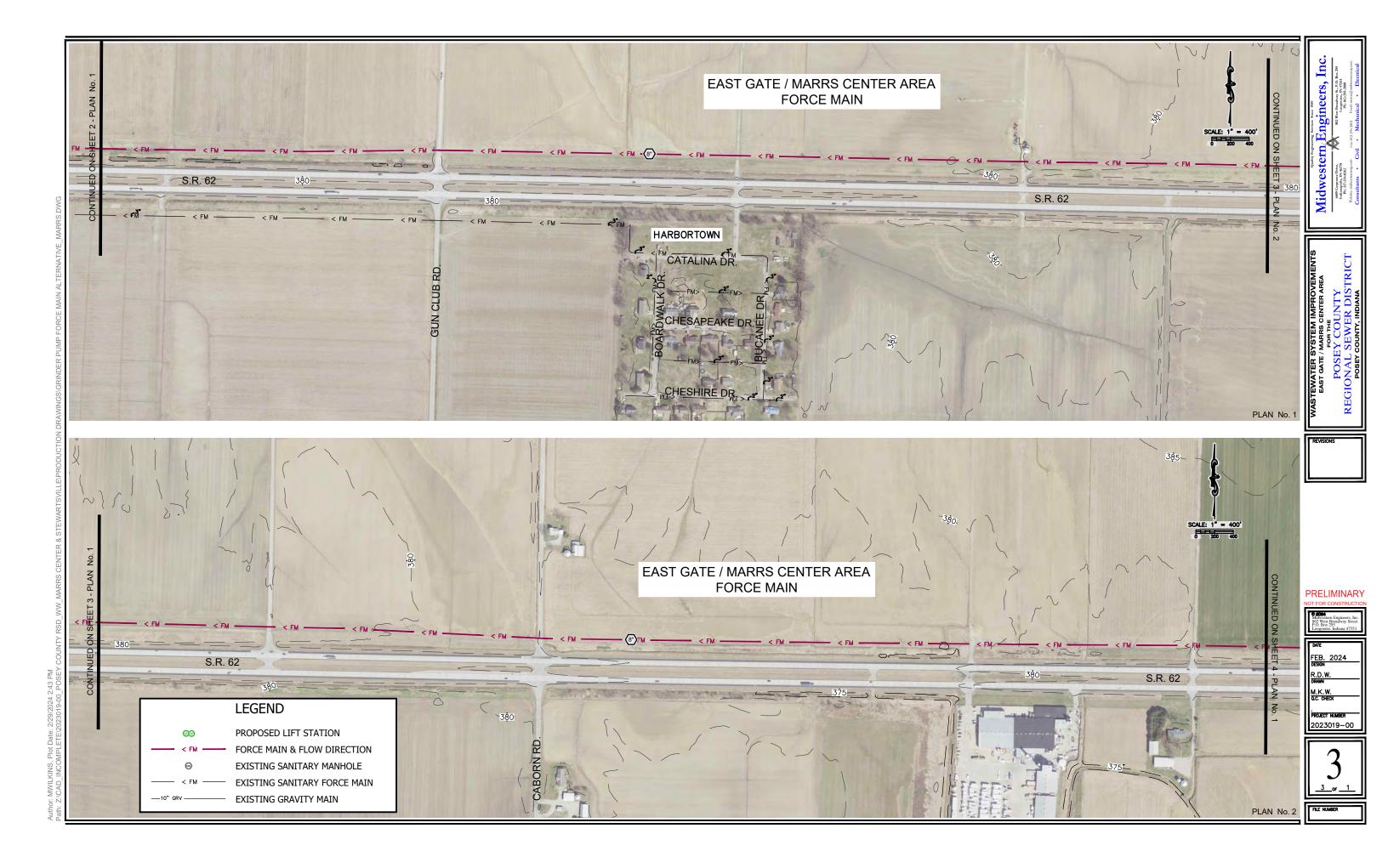
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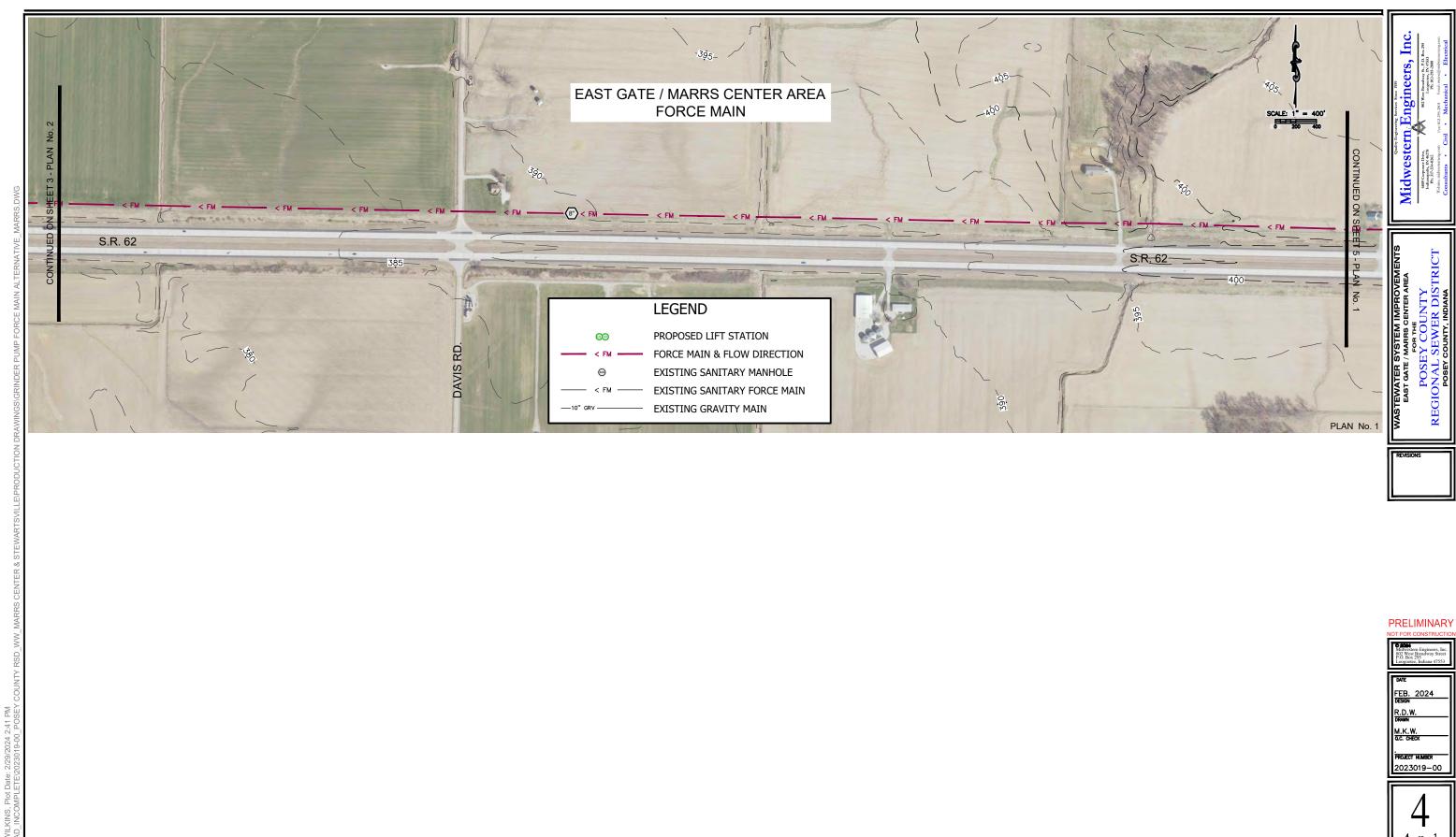
- Notice of Public Hearing
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- Sign-in sheet from hearing
- Public Hearing meeting minutes
- Written comments (if applicable)
- Mailing labels

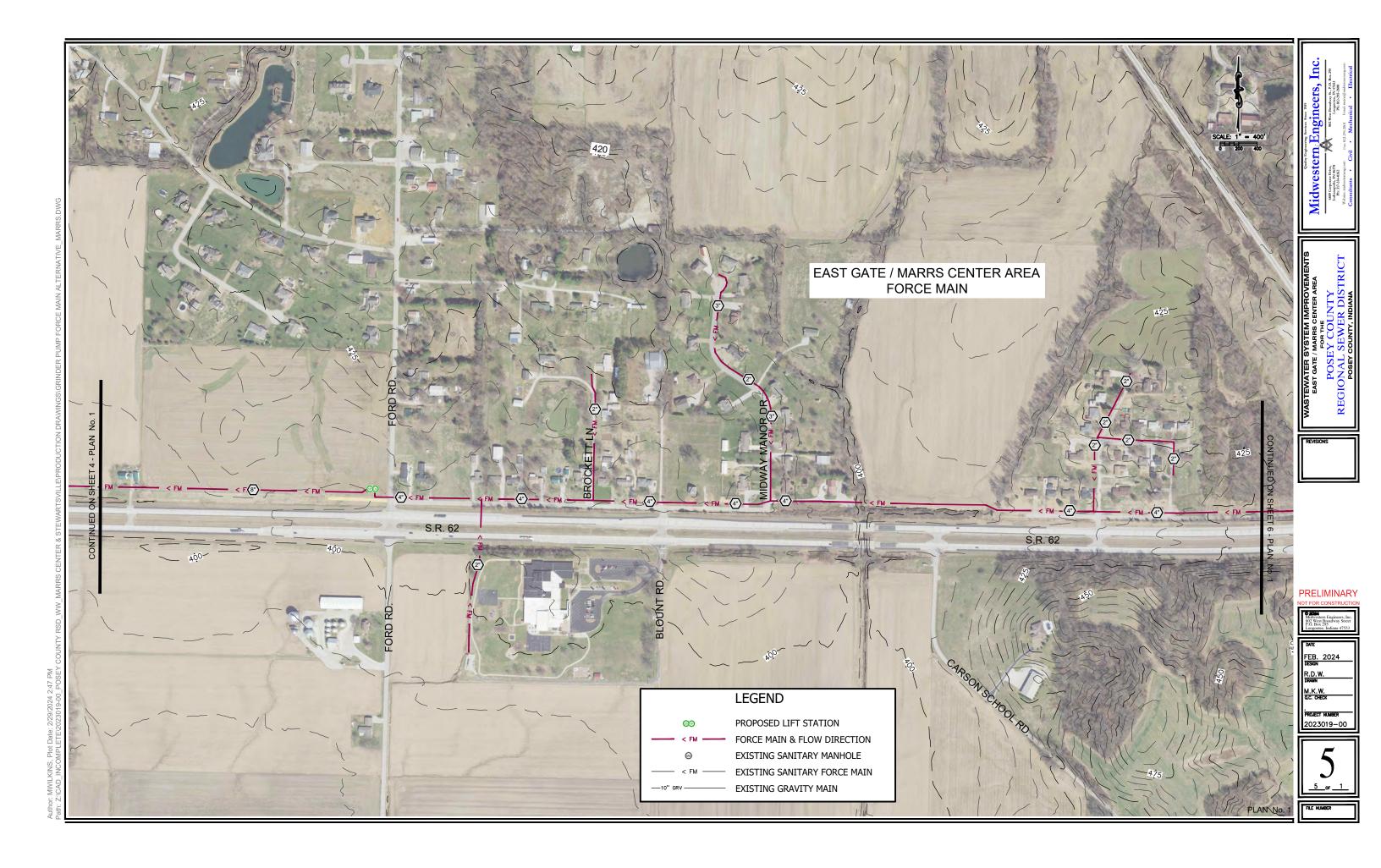
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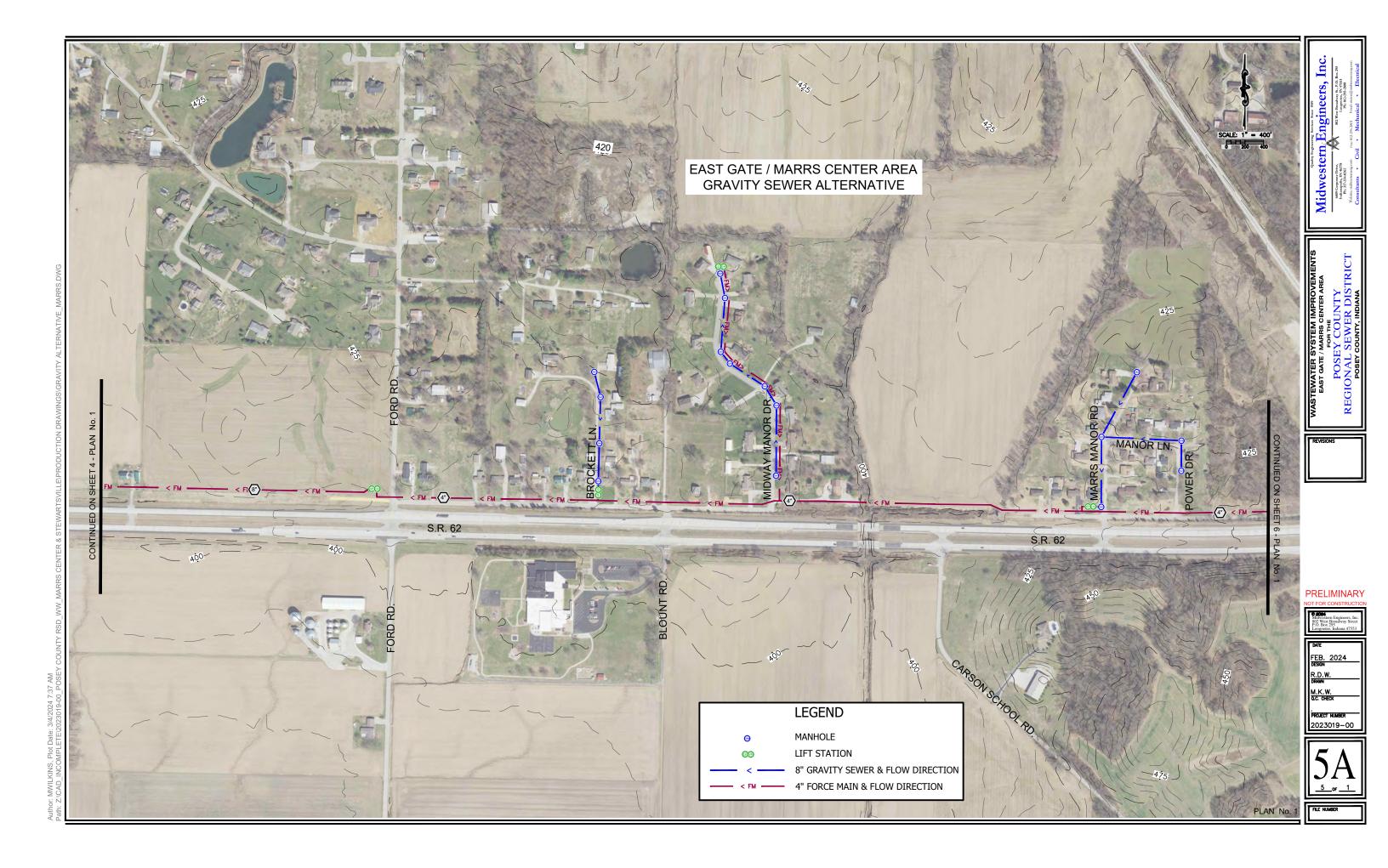






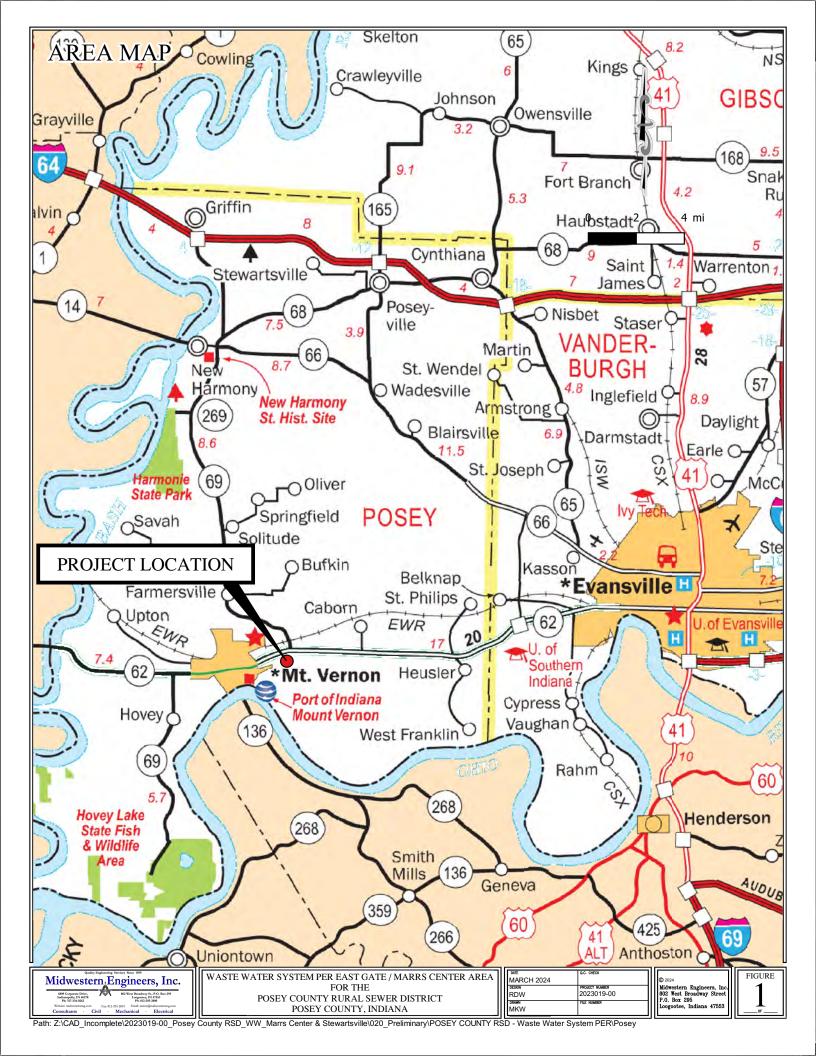


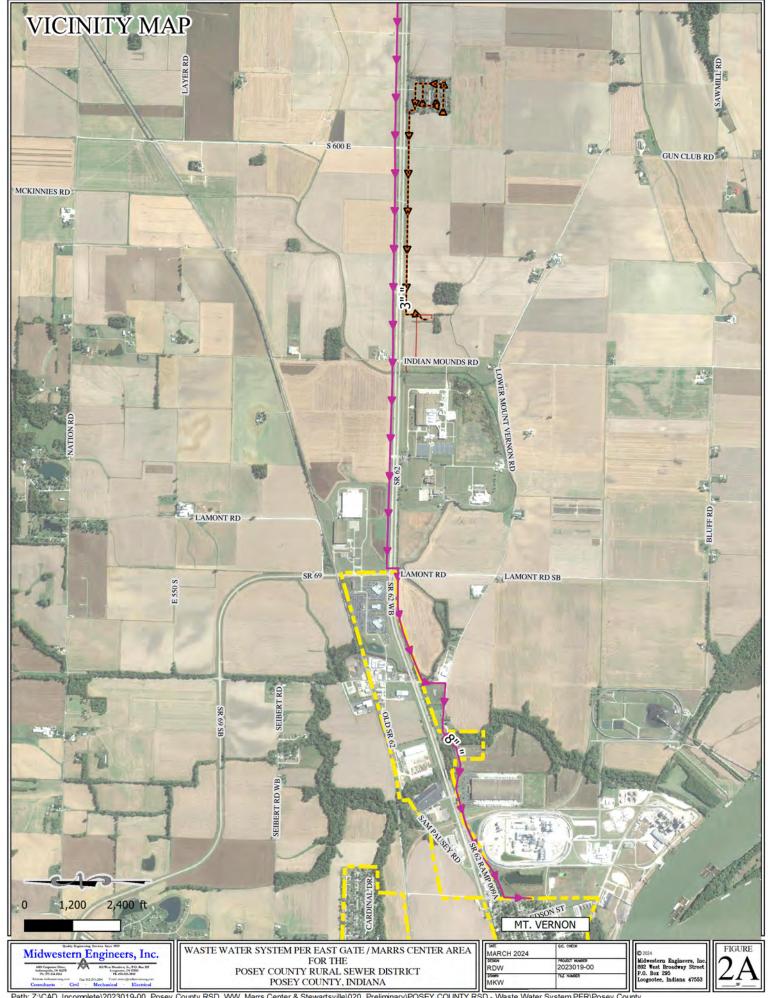


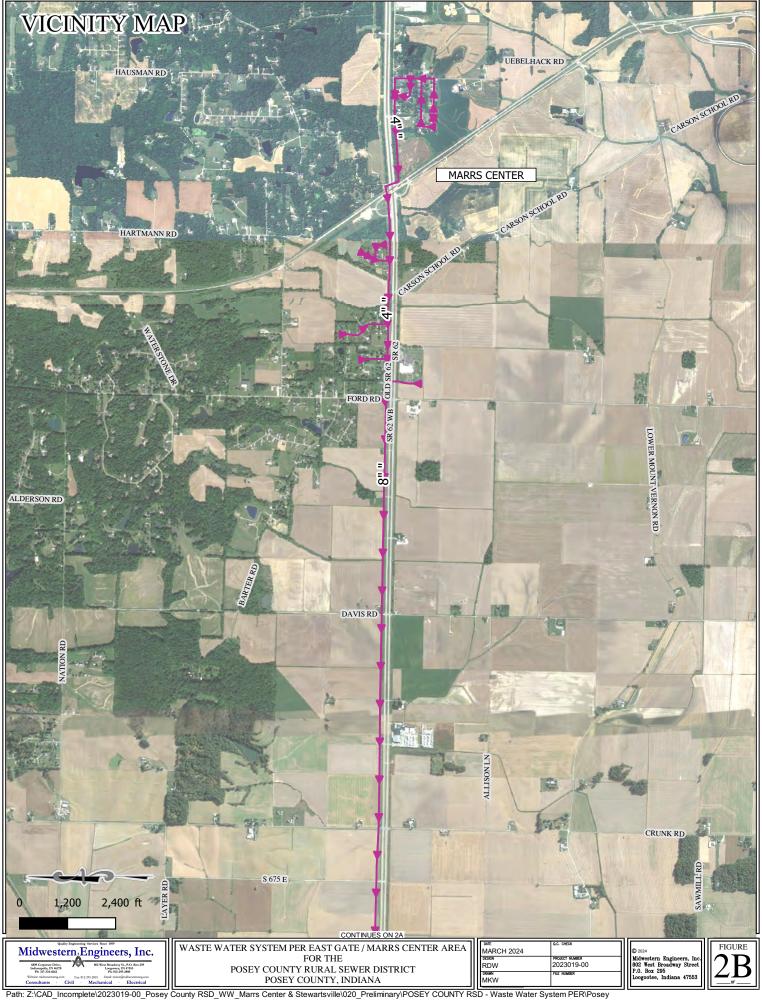


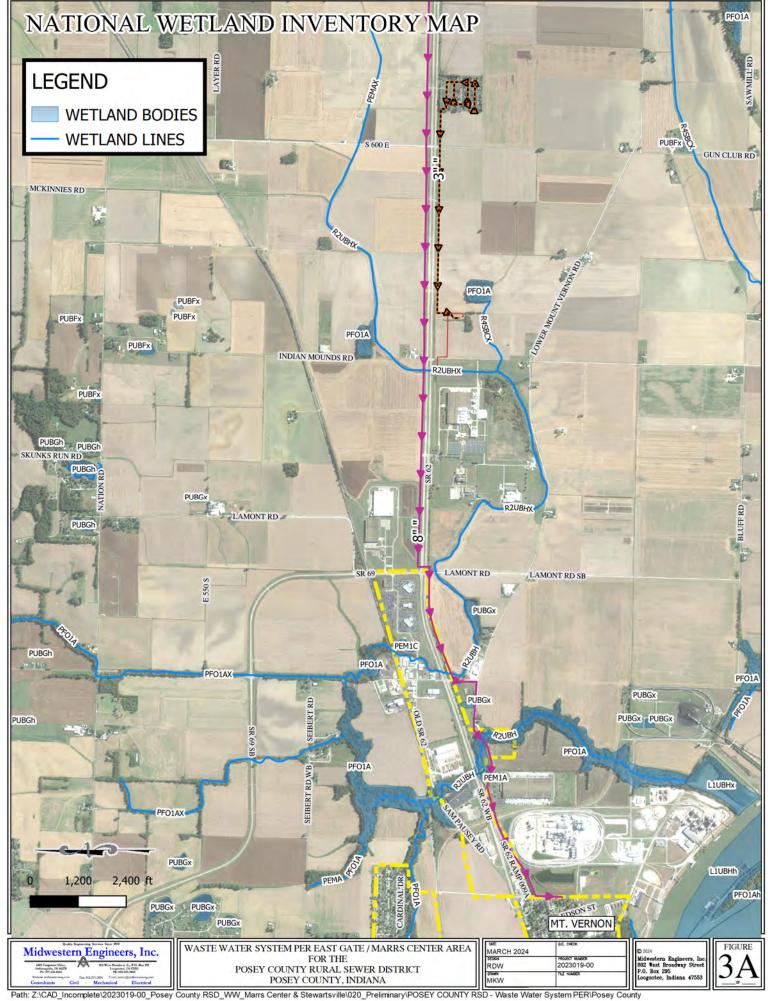


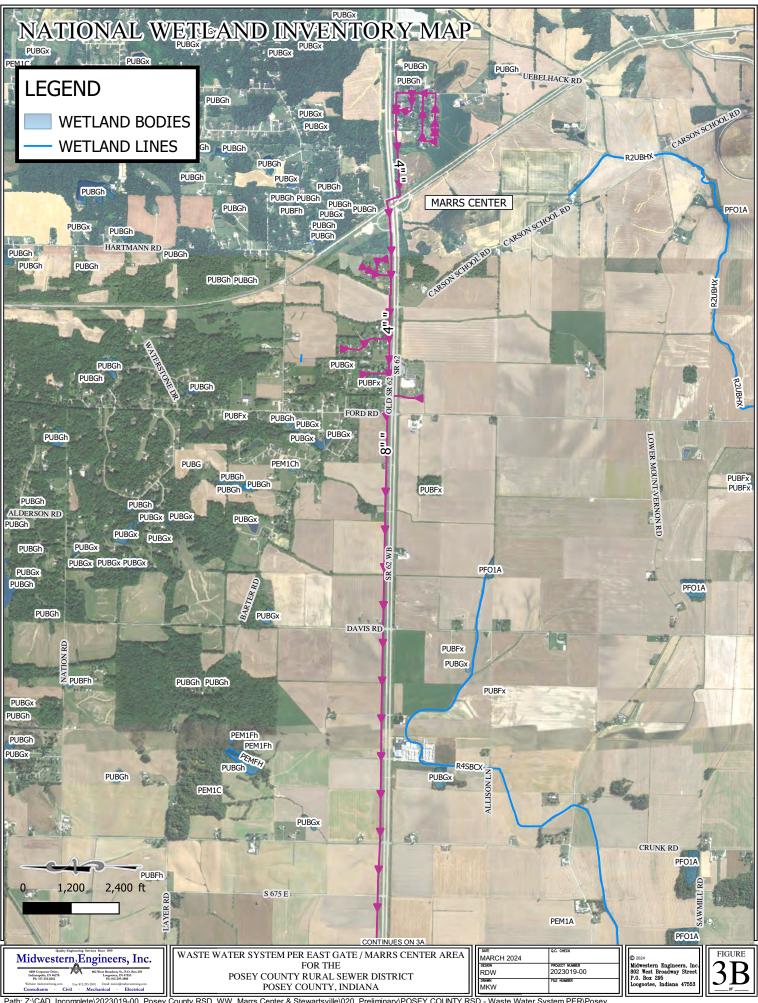
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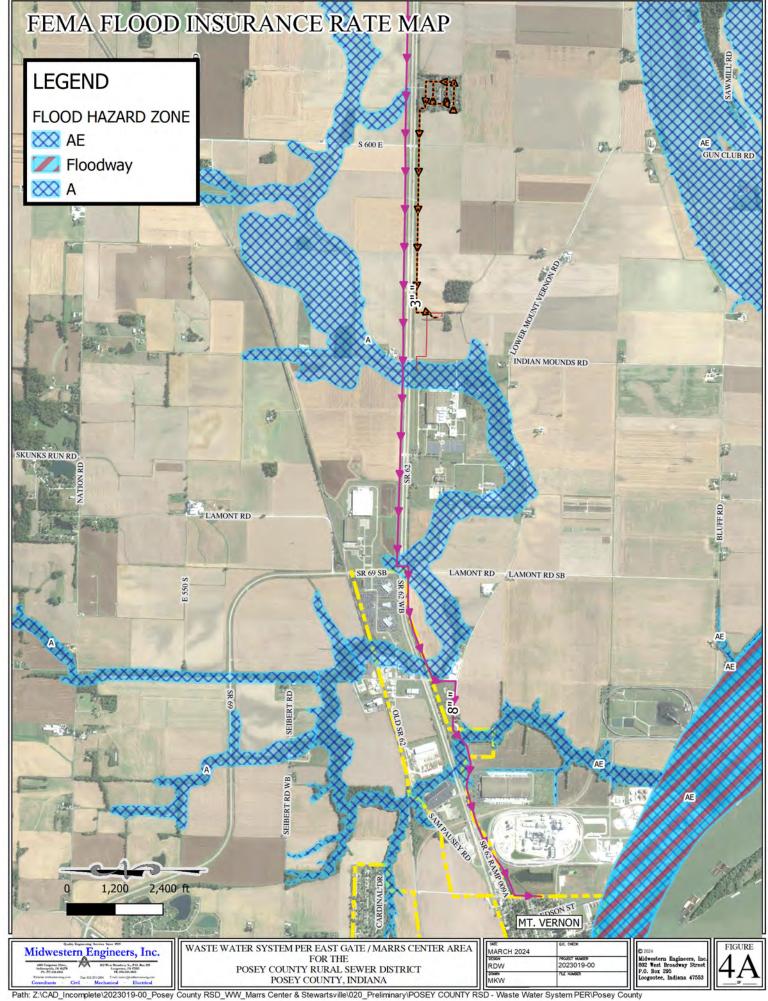


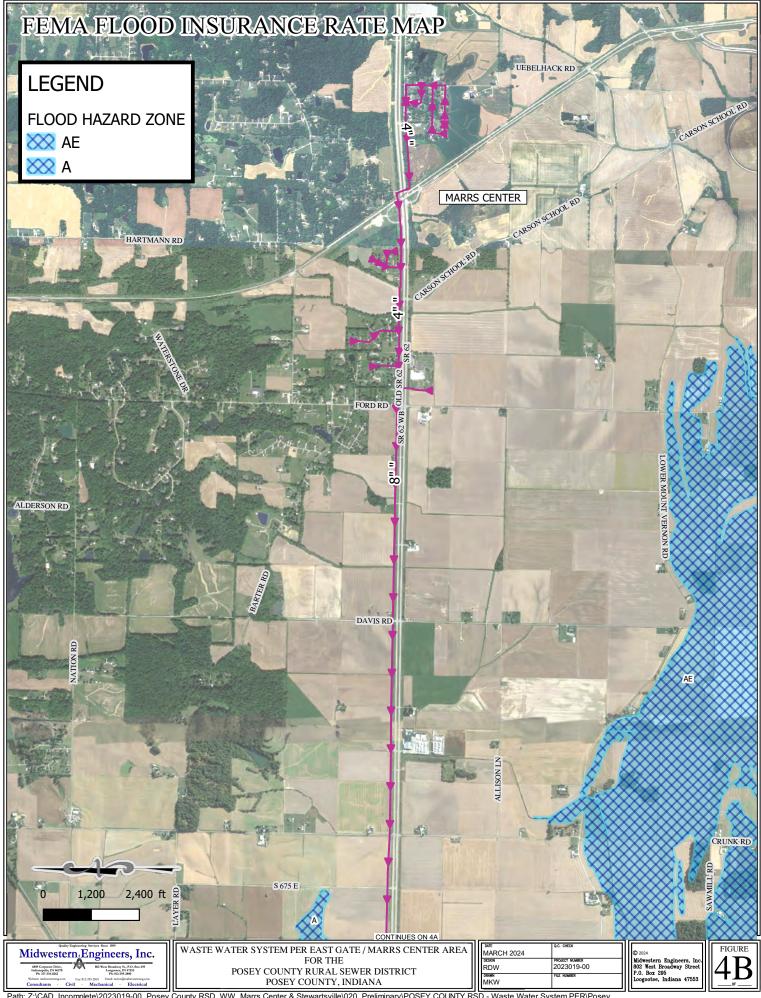


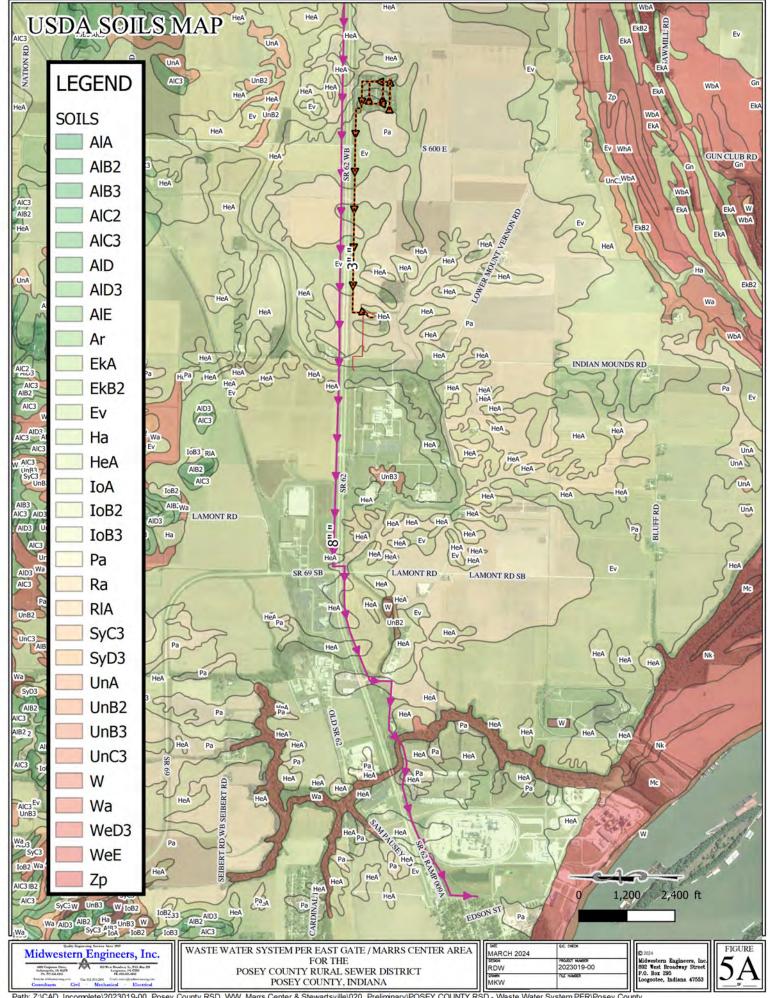


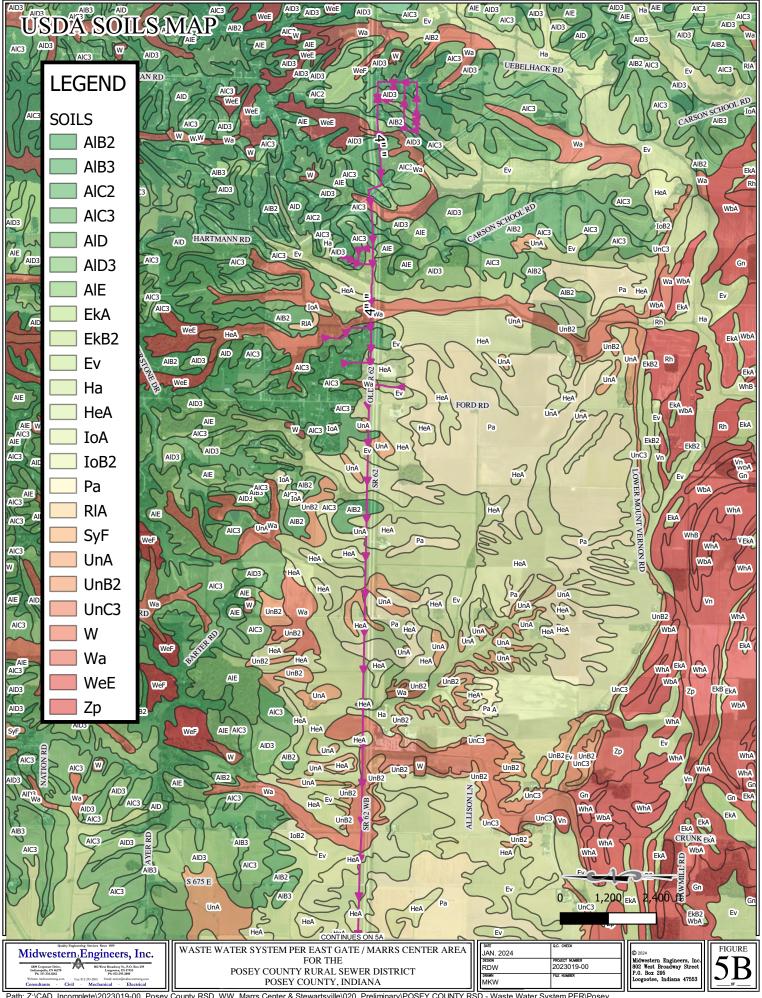


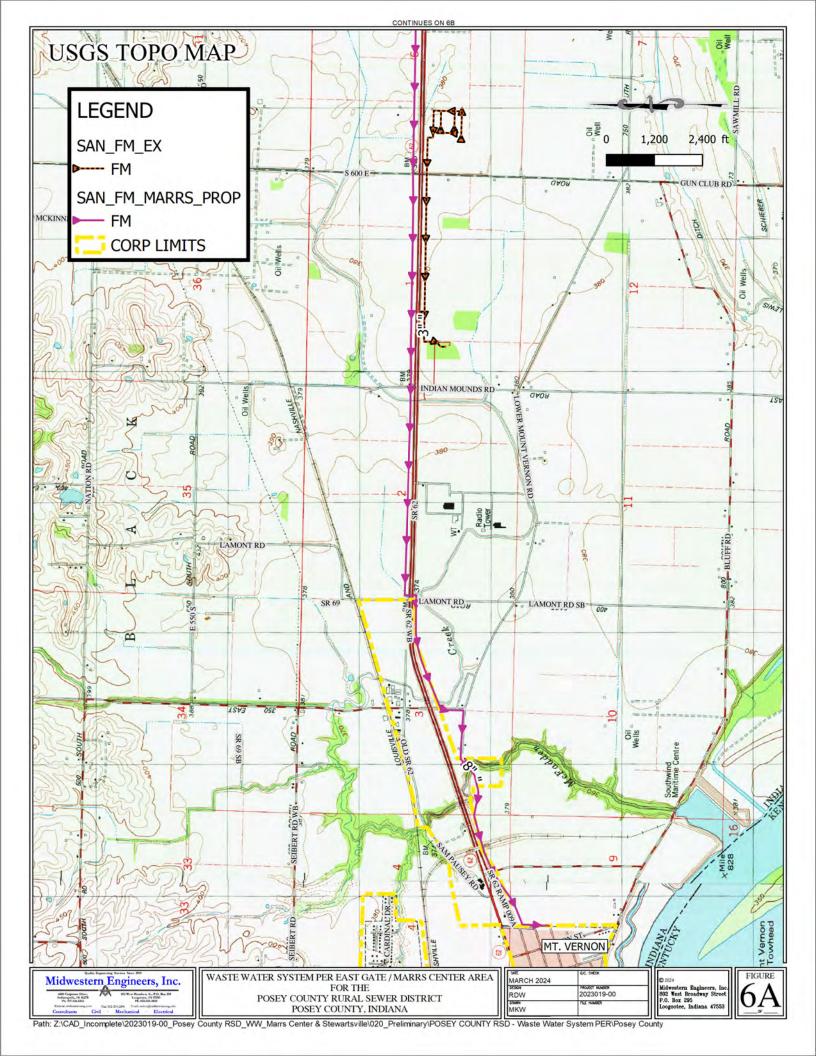


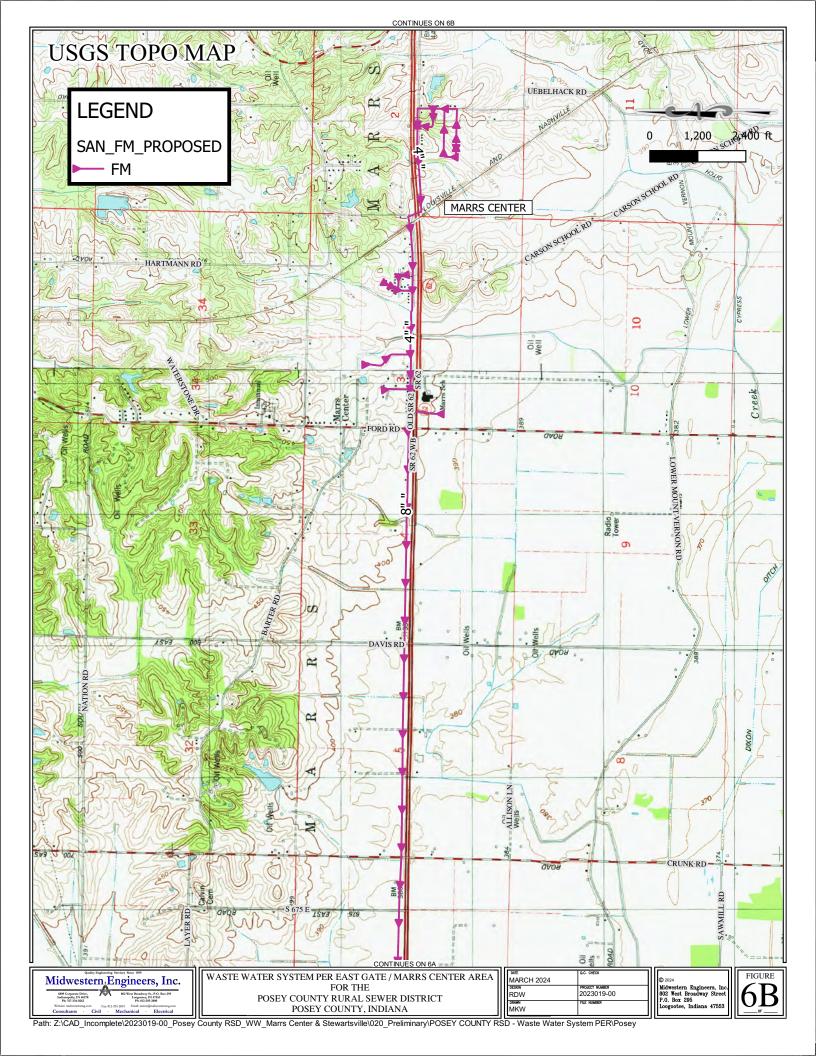


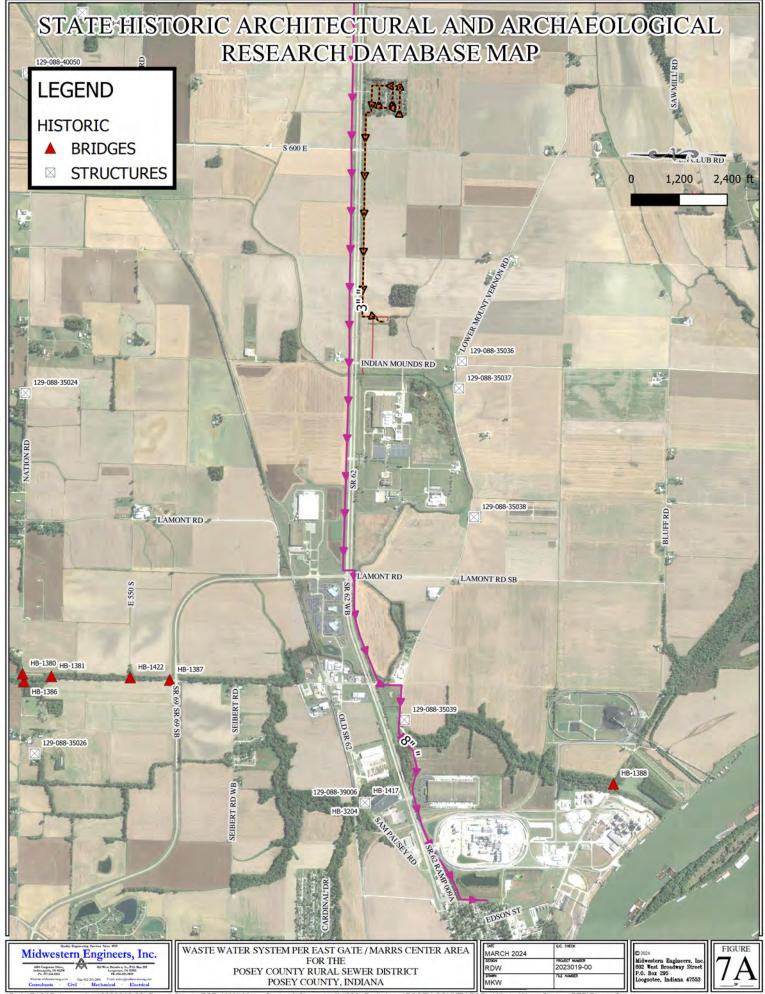












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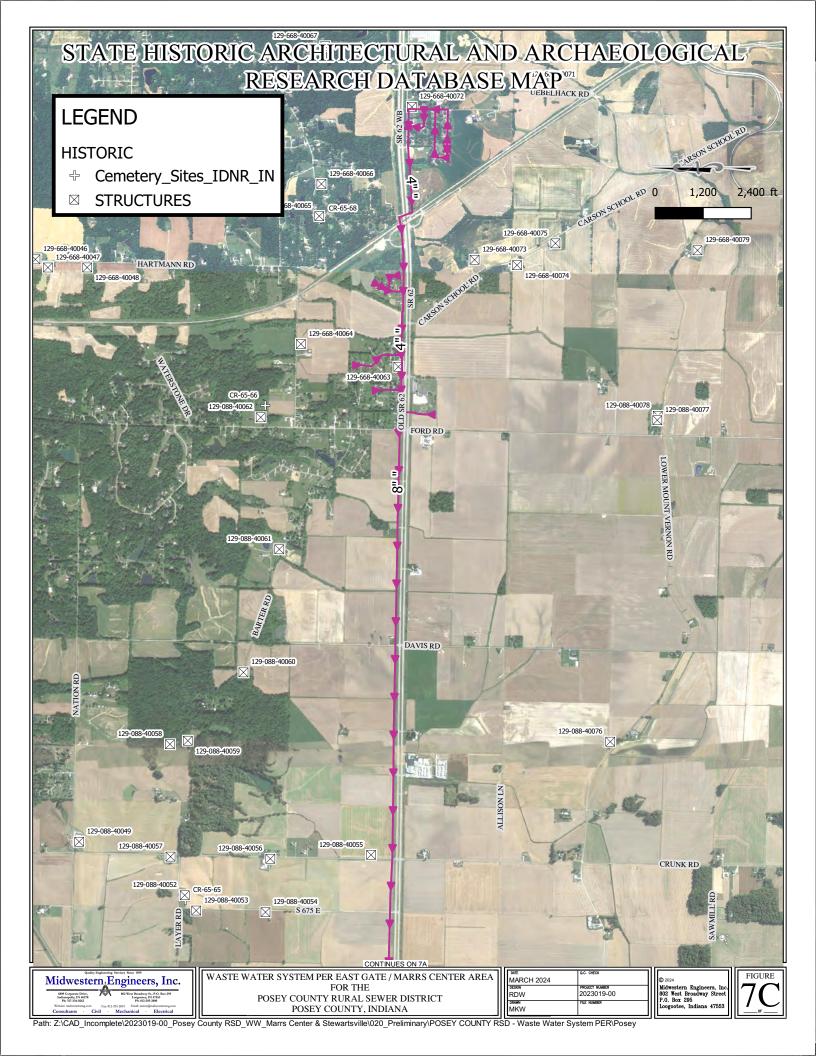
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HB-1388	Posey County Bridge Number 126 or B/17	Demolished	
HB-3204	Bridge	Notable	
HB-1380	Posey County Bridge Number 98 or B/10	Demolished	
HB-1422	Posey County Bridge Number B/51	Demolished	
HB-1387	Posey County Bridge Number 119 or B/14	Demolished	
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WASTE WATER SYSTEM PER EAST GATE / MARRS CENTER AREA FOR THE POSEY COUNTY RURAL SEWER DISTRICT POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA

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STATE HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH DATABASE MAP

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APPENDIX C SRF RESOLUTIONS AND FORMS

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Posey County Regional Sewer District of Posey County, Indiana, herein called

(the "Participant"), has plans for a wastewater infrastructure improvement project to meet State and Federal

regulations, such as the NPDES discharge limitations, and the district intends to proceed with the

construction of such works if adequate funding is available:

WHEREAS, the Posey County Regional Sewer District has adopted this Resolution dated March

<u>22, 2024</u>.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Posey County Regional Sewer District, the

governing body of said Posey County Regional Sewer District, that:

1. Pat Beamon be authorized to make application for an SRF Loan and provide the State

Revolving Fund Loan Program such information, data and documents pertaining to the

loan process, including but not limited to all loan closing documents such as the financial

assistance agreement, bond specimen, etc. as may be required, and otherwise act as the

authorized signatory of the district.

2. The district agrees to comply with all requirements of the Indiana Finance Authority, the

State of Indiana and all Federal requirements as they pertain to the SRF Loan Program.

3. That two copies of the resolution be prepared and submitted as part of the district's

Preliminary Engineering Report.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of March, 2024.

The <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u> of <u>Posey</u> County, Indiana By and Through Its

Board

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY

BY:

Pat Beamon, President

ATTEST:

Scot Keller, Secretary

PER ACCEPTANCE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u> of <u>Posey County</u>, Indiana, has caused a Preliminary Engineering Report, PER, dated <u>March</u>, 2024, to be prepared by the consulting firm of <u>Midwestern Engineers</u>, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, said PER has been presented to the public at a public hearing held $\underline{\text{April}}$, $\underline{\text{2024}}$, for their comments; and

WHEREAS, the <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u> Board finds that there was not sufficient evidence presented in objection to the recommended project in the Preliminary Engineering Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Posey County Regional Sewer District, the governing body of said <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u>, that:

The <u>Wastewater System Improvements</u> Preliminary Engineering Report dated <u>March</u>, 2024 be approved and adopted by the <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u> Board; and That said PER be submitted to the State Revolving Fund Loan Program for review and approval.

Passed and adopted by the <u>Posey County Regional Sewer District</u> Board this _____ day of <u>April</u>, 2024.

AUTH	AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY						
BY:							
	Pat Beamon, President						
ATTEST:	Scot Keller, Secretary						

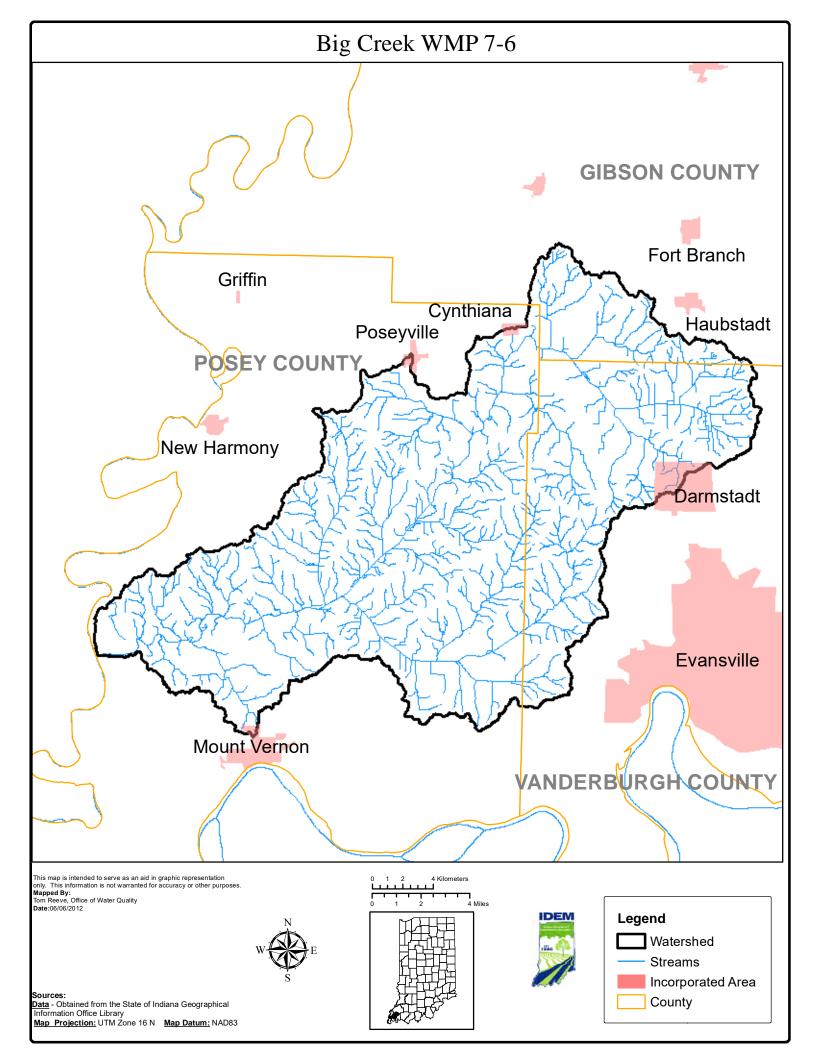
APPENDIX D PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING POSEY COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT WASTEWATER PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT (PER)

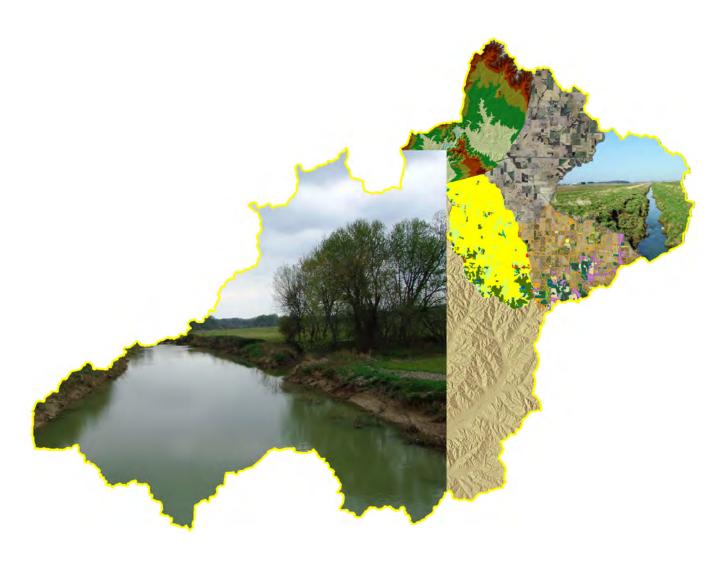
The Posey County	Regional Sewer District wi	ill hold a public hearing at	M. CT
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in part, through a W	/astewater State Revolving	g Fund (WWSRF) loan.	
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APPENDIX E E. COLI WATER QUALITY DATA



BIG CREEK WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN



Prepared with funding from the EPA 205(j) Grant

By Blair Borries & the Posey County Soil & Water Conservation District

Final Draft: 2/21/2009

Problem Statement #2 - Pathogens

Concern	Section(s) Validated			
contaminants in the water	3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3			
confined feeding				
groundwater quality	NOT VALIDATED, no data			
packaged sewer treatment facilities	NOT VALIDATED, see section 3.5			
contaminants in the water	3.1.3			
lack of centralized wastewater treatment opportunities	3.6			
lack of filter/buffer strips	3.3.1, 3.4			
surface water quality	3.1.3			
Pastures*	3.3.6			

E. coli levels above the state standard for full body contact have been found in 100% of Big Creek waterways and levels above the recommended threshold for partial body contact have been found in about 10% of the waterways. *E coli* is an indicator that pathogens harmful to human and animal health are likely present. Pathogens make the streams and creeks unsafe, limiting recreation and fishing.

Stressors:

E. coli Fecal Coliforms other blood-borne pathogens

Sources:

1. Households with Septic Systems and field bed areas or direct discharges

Septic systems are the only available wastewater treatment options in areas within the watershed not served by municipal sewer lines. Septic systems generally consist of a septic tank that allows for solids to settle and a field bed that spreads the liquid effluent out over the subsurface so that biological treatment can occur as it percolates through the sub-soil. Some households may still have a system that only has a septic tank and a direct discharge pipe rather than a field bed, but the number is not known. Septic systems are not a perfect system for treating contaminants associated with wastewater. When a confining layer restricts groundwater from traveling downward, or when excessive soil moisture occurs, groundwater will move up rather than down carrying untreated wastewater containing pathogens and other pollutants to the surface. High

water use or a system not sized for the amount of people using it can also increase this occurrence of this phenomenon.

The number of households with septic systems was estimated by identifying the areas with municipal services available and using 2000 census data to determine the households within these areas. Acreage for the field beds was estimated by multiplying the household value by a normal field bed area of 4000 square meters. This is useful in comparing the magnitude of the source to other area based magnitudes.

2. Manure Use and Storage at Confined Feeding Operation

Runoff containing recently applied manure or improperly stored manure often contains *E. coli* and other pathogens. Manure is applied to crop fields to increase fertility and to deal with the waste associated with confined animal production. Solid manure produced at poultry operations and on feedlots is surface applied with a spreader. Semi-solid and liquid manure produced at dairy operations and hog operations respectively is surface applied with a pump or injected into the soil. It is a common practice to maintain aerobic activity in lagoons by pumping the liquid onto crop land. Manure stored at these sites can contaminate runoff when it is stored without a roof or a densely vegetated filter area.

Sources were identified as farms with Confined Feeding Operation permits from IDEM. The amount of manure produced at a farm depends on the amount of animals and their weight. Any farm meeting or exceeding a threshold number of animals based on the weight of the animal must apply for a confined feeding operation permit under Indiana law. Assuming these farms do in fact have this threshold of animals at any given time, they are the most likely to produce the most manure. And since transportation costs are usually the most prohibitive in the reasons for not using manure as fertilizer, areas surrounding these CFOs can be considered likely areas where the manure is applied.

3. Livestock with Stream Access

Pastures along streams that do not have fencing or an appropriate stream crossing for livestock expose especially sensitive stream side areas to trampling and compaction from the increased livestock traffic. This results in the destruction of the stream-side buffer that would normally filter upslope runoff and for the animals in the stream, bypasses the filtering altogether. In addition when animals walk in the stream bottoms, they may dislodge particles containing *E. coli* and other pathogens engaging them in stream flow during sensitive dry periods.

4. Bare Pasture Areas

Bare areas in pastures occur primarily where livestock congregate (typically feeding areas, watering areas, and shaded areas), regularly travel (i.e. cow paths), or in pastures that are not large enough to support the number of animals that graze there. These areas are subject to high levels of sheet and rill erosion especially on steep slopes due to the lack of vegetative cover. The sediment transported through runoff may carry *E. coli* and other pathogens and un-vegetated areas cannot filter polluted runoff as effectively as a densely vegetated pasture area.

5. Ponds and Lagoons in Need of Repair

Ponds are often used in association with livestock as a watering source and a way to break up steep slopes that are common in pastures. Lagoons are commonly associated with storage of semi-solid manure and feedlots and are located immediately downstream of these areas to collect liquids and runoff. Ponds and lagoons are in need of repair and become a source when dams begin to break or when spillways are no longer covered in dense vegetation that can filter contaminated runoff when the ponds and lagoons overflow.

6. Dead Wildlife in Streams

Although inconsequential during wet periods, dead wildlife left in streams by natural causes or by people can cause *E. coli* and other pathogen problems during low flow dry periods. Sources were identified during water monitoring rounds, but it is not clear if these areas experience sources each year.

4.2.1: Source Locations & Magnitudes

Table 4.2.1-A: Pathogen Sources: Locations and Magnitude shows the magnitude and location of the pathogen sources. This table provides both an assessment of the magnitude and location of the source and evidence that the source is significant according to the impairments associated with pathogens. The amount of each sources as determined from the results of the windshield and GIS inventory is compared to the level of impairment determined from the water monitoring that occurred through the project. The amount or magnitude of the source is shown as area or length of each source occurring in each sub-watershed. The impairment based on E. coli shown in the right hand columns of the table. "Partially impaired" indicates that a sub-watershed exceeded standards between 1 and 10% of the samples collected. "Impaired" indicates that the sub-watershed exceeded standards between 11 and 50% of the samples collected. "Severely impaired" indicates that the sub-watersheds exceeded standards greater than 50% of the samples collected. Two hundred thirty five colonies/100 mL is used as the E. coli standard. This relationship is described below for each of the sources.

In general, the impact of the sources is best understood when they are considered all together since each source can affect the level of *E. coli* during different hydrologic conditions. The combination of several sources results in a higher incidence of impairment than a greater magnitude of a single source, though a higher load of *E. coli* will commonly be associated with larger magnitudes.

1. Households with Septic Systems and field bed areas or direct discharges

The relationship between the number of households on septic systems or in other terms the estimated acreage of field beds is difficult to confirm since the amount of households with septic systems is consistent throughout much of the watershed and every subwatershed was found to be impaired for *E. coli*. The number of households with septic systems varies from 156 in the Big Creek – Alexander Creek Sub-watershed to 2129 households in the Little Creek – Headwaters Sub-watershed. Areas with the lesser number of households did not necessarily fall into the impaired rather than severely impaired category. This may be due in large part to the care and condition of individual septic systems which is independent of their geographic location. There is, however, a stronger relationship between the number of households and the percent reduction needed to achieve the standard. This phenomenon is explained above and relates to

the variations in impact for each source depending on hydrologic condition. A combination of several sources will result in a higher incidence of water standards being exceeded even though the magnitude of a single source in another sub-watershed is greater.

2. Manure Use and Storage at Confined Feeding Operation

The number of confined feeding operations did have a correlation to the incidence of water samples exceeding the *E. coli* standard. This is most clear in the Pond Flat – Headwaters (010), Pond Flat – Jordan Creek (030), and Buente Creek – Maidlow Ditch (020) Sub-watersheds. These sub-watersheds had 1, 2, and 3 CFOs respectively and all three were found to be severely impaired based on the *E. coli* standard. As discussed seperately, however, each of these sub-watersheds also possessed additional sources including households with septic systems, bare pasture areas, and livestock with stream access. Other sub-watersheds that included CFOs and were found to be severely impaired based on *E. coli* included the Little Creek – Lower and Barr Creek Sub-watersheds with one in each. This accounts for 5 of the 6 sub-watersheds found to be severely impaired.

3. Livestock with Stream Access

Livestock with stream access in 9 of the 16 sub-watersheds and in combination with other sources is associated with an increased number of water samples exceeding the standard. In the Big Creek – Alexander Creek it is the only source that is not the lowest in magnitude among the sub-watersheds. This indicates that livestock having stream access is at least partly responsible for impairments based on *E. coli*.

4. Bare Pasture Areas

Bare pasture areas occupied, at most, 14 acres in any sub-watershed for a total of only 85 acres in the entire watershed. Due to its slight impact compared to other sources it is difficult to correlate with impairments since all sub-watersheds with bare pasture areas had a significant amount of some other source. It is best confirmed through the nature of the source which indicates that not only is the area devoid of vegetation and thus unable to filter pollutants, but is also likely where most livestock congregate and where the most manure will accumulate.

5. Ponds and Lagoons in Need of Repair

Ponds and lagoons in need of repair were only identified in 2 sub-watersheds, but is still a significant source by itself in those areas where it occurs. This is due to the high amount of contamination that can occur from such a small area since it is where manure is stored

6. Dead Wildlife in Streams

Similar to ponds and lagoons, the incidence of dead wildlife in streams is small, but it occurs in hot dry months when streams are most susceptible to contamination and can be caused to exceed standards with a very limited input of contaminant.

	Sources							Impairments	
Sub- watershed	1. Households with septics (est. #)	Estimated Field Bed Acreage	2. # CFO permits (active)	3. Feet of Cattle Access	4. Bare Pasture Acres (%)	5.Ponds, Lagoons in Need of Repair	6. Sightings of dead wildlife in creek bottoms	E. coli	
010	542	50 (0.4%)	1		13 (0.1%)			SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
020	472	43 (0.5%)	3		4 (0.1%)	1		SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
030	489	45 (0.4%)	2	1416	5 (0.1%)			SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
040	467	43 (0.4%)			0 (0.0%)			IMPAIRED	
050	363	33 (0.4%)	1	1229	5 (0.1%)			SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
060	331	30 (0.4%)	2	1417	3 (<0.1%)			IMPAIRED	
070	344	32 (0.4%)		555	14 (0.2%)	1		IMPAIRED	
080	633	58 (0.4%)			14 (0.1%)			IMPAIRED	
090	2129	195 (1.5%)		659	5 (<0.1%)		1	IMPAIRED	
100	935	86 (1.3%)		1278	1 (<0.1%)		1	IMPAIRED	
110	620	57 (0.6%)			1 (<0.1%)			IMPAIRED	
120	516	47 (0.4%)	1	2536	7 (0.1%)			SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
130	359	33 (0.3%)			2 (<0.1%)		2	IMPAIRED	
140	183	17 (0.2%)			4 (<0.1%)			SEVERELY IMPAIRED	
150	396	36 (0.3%)	1	1930	5 (<0.1%)			IMPAIRED	
160	156	14 (0.2%)		1794	2 (<0.1%)			IMPAIRED	
Total	8963	823 (0.5%)	11	12814	85 (0.1%)		4		

Table 4.2.1-A: Pathogen Sources: Locations and Magnitude

In addition to the load duration curves developed for the sediment problem, *E. coli* load duration curves were developed for each sample point. The same methodology was used and the results are detailed below. *Figure 4.2.2-A: E. coli Load Duration Curve for Big Creek at Highway 66* shows an example of the curve using data from sample point 23 on Big Creek at Highway 66. Reductions for each hydrologic condition are also shown as an illustration of how the reductions are determined.

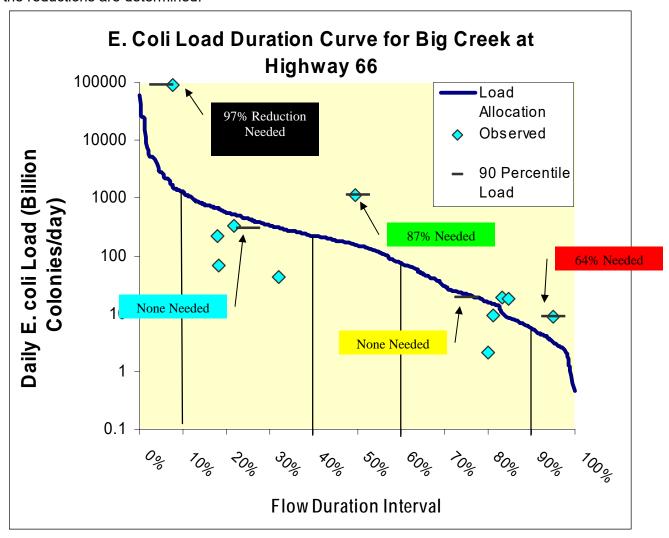


Figure 4.2.2-A: E. coli Load Duration Curve

As is shown in the figure, reductions are needed during three of the hydrologic conditions. The greatest reduction are needed during High flow conditions (97% as shown in the black box), but since this represents extreme events, the next highest needed reduction is used, which is 87% for the mid-range flow conditions. Using this method, it's assumed that in order to achieve the desired concentration for total suspended solids, an 87% reduction in *E. coli* loading within the area draining to sample point 23 must occur.

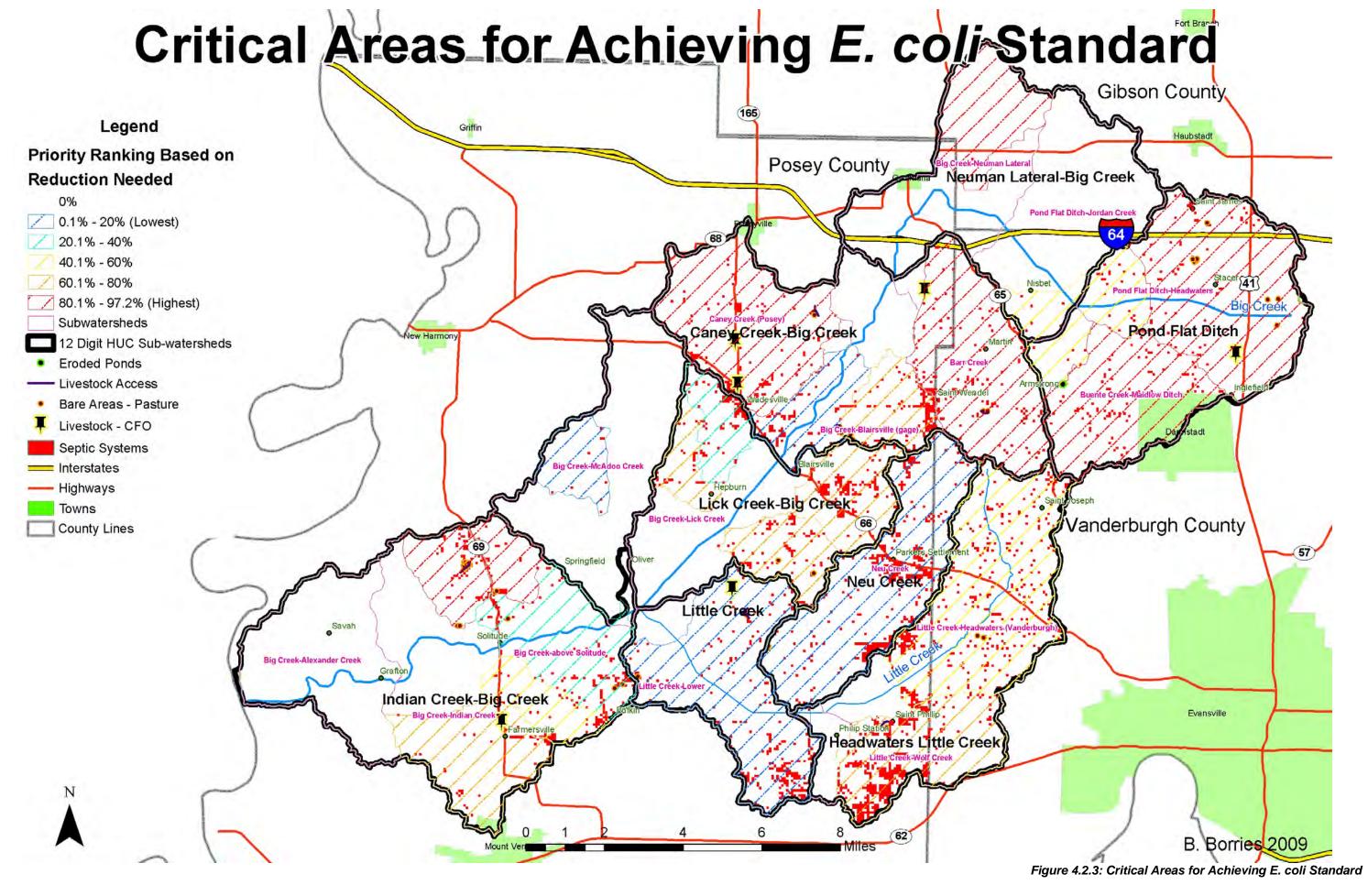
The results of the load duration curve method for determining reductions are summarized in *Table 4.1.2-A: Reductions Needed to Achieve E. coli Standard.* The table reports the calculated reductions for each sample point during each hydrologic condition and a final overall reduction in the farthest column to the right. The largest reductions are shown in bold and the low and high conditions are shown in italics as they are disregarded in deciding the overall reduction. Sample points that have other sample points nested within their drainage area were subject to additional adjustments to reflect the load reduction that is expected from the upstream areas. For example, even though sample point 23 (Big Creek at Highway 66) was determined to require a 87% reduction, the reductions required of the areas draining to sample points 25, 26, and 27 which are nested within the drainage area of sample point 23, exceed that of the necessary reduction for 23. For this reason the area draining to sample point 23, but not to sample points 25, 26, and 27 is deemed to need only 8% reduction in *E. coli* rather than 87%. In the table, reductions noted with an asterisk are those that were adjusted as described.

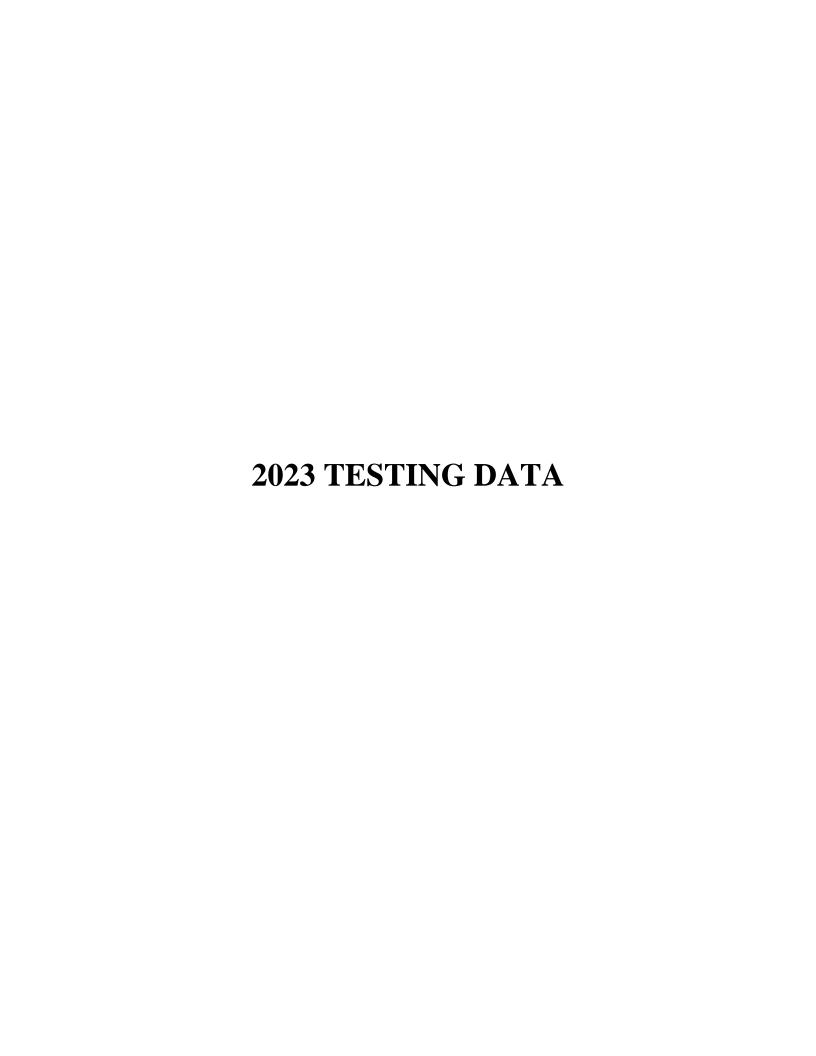
	Reduction I	Reduction Needed to Achieve <i>E. coli</i> Standard						
Sample Point	Low	Dry	Mid-Range	Moist	High	Reduction		
1	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE*		
2	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE		
3	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE		
4	23.7%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE*		
5	n/a	74.8%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	74.8%		
6	n/a	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE		
7	n/a	88.5%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	88.5%		
8	n/a	24.5%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	20.3%*		
9	n/a	41.5%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	41.5%		
10	n/a	87.6%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	87.6%		
11	n/a	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE*		
12	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE*		
131	n/a	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	NONE		
132	n/a	0.0%	n/a	16.5%	n/a	16.5%		
14	n/a	0.0%	n/a	16.6%	n/a	1.2%*		
15	n/a	0.0%	n/a	17.7%	99.2%	17.7%		
16	n/a	0.0%	43.4%	0.0%	87.8%	NONE*		
17	n/a	n/a	62.3%	37.6%	92.5%	62.3%		
18	n/a	n/a	54.7%	0.0%	93.9%	54.7%		
19	0.0%	0.0%	90.6%	0.0%	97.3%	35.6%*		
20	n/a	n/a	81.1%	0.0%	89.1%	81.1%*		
21	n/a	n/a	77.4%	0.0%	89.1%	77.4%		
22	n/a	n/a	24.6%	3.7%	80.5%	24.6%		
23	63.5%	0.0%	86.7%	0.0%	96.9%	7.5%*		
24	n/a	n/a	71.7%	42.6%	91.1%	71.7%		
25	n/a	70.0%	74.9%	0.0%	93.0%	74.9%		
26	n/a	0.0%	94.3%	0.0%	87.8%	94.3%		
27	0.0%	0.0%	82.6%	0.0%	96.7%	NONE*		
28	n/a	66.5%	92.7%	0.0%	96.5%	92.7%		
29	0.0%	0.0%	83.8%	0.0%	97.6%	NONE*		
30	n/a	0.0%	82.6%	17.4%	86.0%	82.6%		
31	32.2%	74.4%	92.5%	13.9%	99.2%	NONE*		
32	70.4%	63.9%	97.2%	31.8%	99.2%	52.5%*		
33	n/a	59.1%	91.6%	18.5%	99.2%	91.6%		
34	5.1%	42.1%	96.2%	37.0%	99.2%	96.2%		

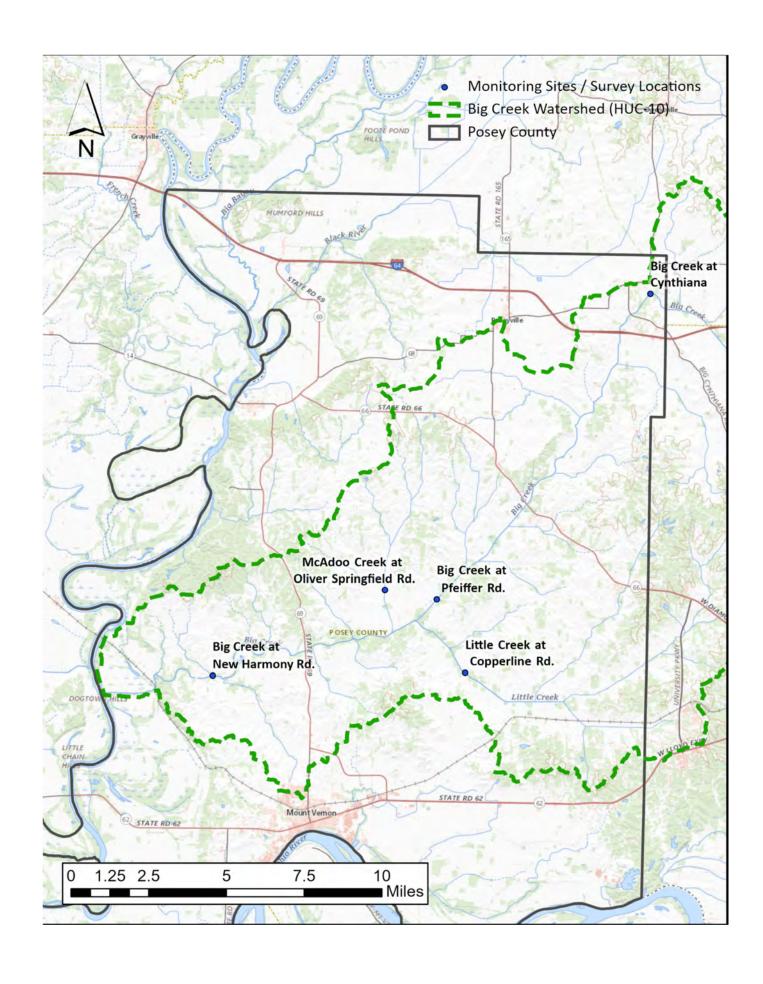
Critical areas were identified from the problem sources and water monitoring data was used to prioritize the critical areas. The water quality standard for *E. coli* was used to set a desired load. Reduction needed was calculated by subtracting the actual load from the desired load, assuming the concentration is within the standard and the flow remains the same. For each point whose drainage area includes one or more other sample points, the reduction needed in the nested drainage area is subtracted from the needed reduction from the next downstream sample point. This means that the reduction needed at each sample downstream of other points is calculated assuming necessary reductions were achieved in the upstream areas as calculated. The highest priority areas are those with the most reduction needed. The resultant map is shown in *Figure 4.2.3-A: Critical Areas for Achieving E. coli Standard*. Priority is shown as dark blue (1-20% - Lowest), light blue (21-40%), yellow (41-60%), orange (61-80%), or red outline (81-97.2% - Highest) depending on the level of reduction needed. Critical sources are shown as a variety of symbols and colors. A closer look at the critical area map can be found in Appendix E: Critical Areas – Sub-watershed Maps.

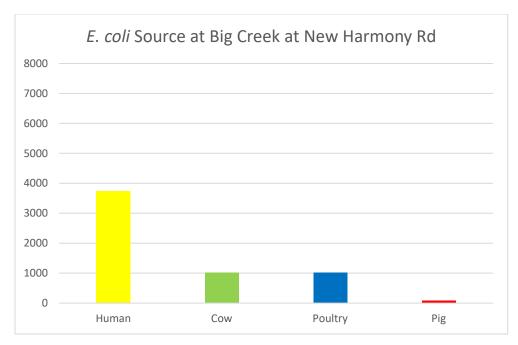
Within these critical areas as determined by water monitoring, the highest priority sources for restoration are those with the greatest estimated magnitude and the most important factors in each sub-watershed are those with the greatest acreage. They will have the most likelihood of being mitigated by having a greater pool of participants from which to choose especially when there is great variation in the magnitude per acre of the sources within the sub-watershed.

The most substantial *E. coli* loading reductions are needed in the Pond Flat - Headwaters (010), Pond Flat - Jordan Creek (020), Neu Creek (110), and Big Creek - McAdoo Creek subwatersheds. In the Pond Flat - Headwaters and Pond Flat - Jordan Creek sub-watersheds, the most common sources by area are livestock. In the Neu Creek sub-watershed, the only source identified was Septic Systems and in the Big Creek - McAdoo Creek sub-watershed, livestock sources were the most common.

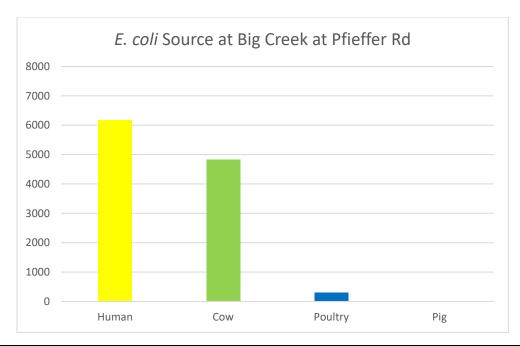




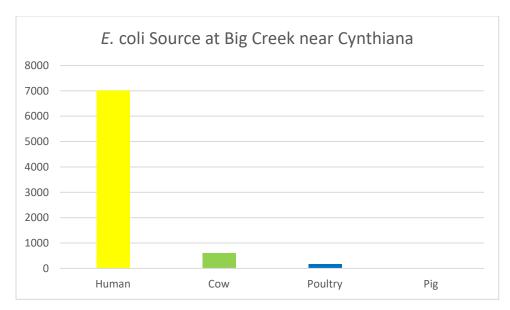




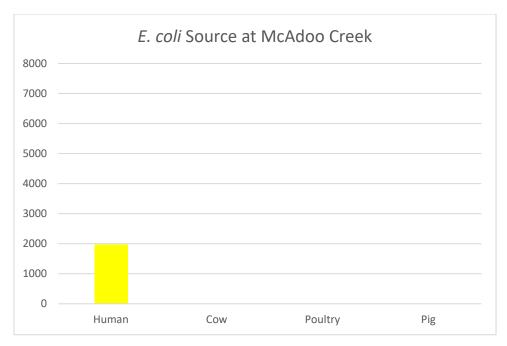
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	Cow	1010
	Poultry	1010
	Pig	91



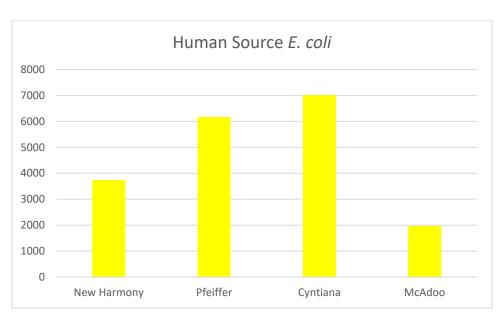
Pfieffer Rd	Human	6170
	Pig	4820
	Cow	305
	Poultry	0



Cynthiana	Human	7010
	Pig	610
	Cow	174
	Poultry	0



McAdoo Creek	Human	1970
	Cow	0
	Pig	0
	Poultry	0



New Harmony	Human	3740
Pfeiffer	Human	6170
Cyntiana	Human	7010
McAdoo	Human	1970

Sample ID	Analysis Requested	Marker Quantified	Result Unit
BC New Harmony	Human	3740	copies per 100ml
BC New Harmony	Cow	1010	copies per 100ml
BC New Harmony	Poultry	1010	copies per 100ml
BC New Harmony	Pig	91	copies per 100ml
BC Pfeiffer	Human	6170	copies per 100ml
BC Pfeiffer	Pig	4820	copies per 100ml
BC Pfeiffer	Cow	305	copies per 100ml
BC Pfeiffer	Poultry	0	copies per 100ml
Cynthiana	Human	7010	copies per 100ml
Cynthiana	Pig	610	copies per 100ml
Cynthiana	Cow	174	copies per 100ml
Cynthiana	Poultry	0	copies per 100ml
Little Creek	Human	0	copies per 100ml
Little Creek	Cow	0	copies per 100ml
Little Creek	Pig	0	copies per 100ml
Little Creek	Poultry	0	copies per 100ml
McAdoo	Human	1970	copies per 100ml
McAdoo	Cow	0	copies per 100ml
McAdoo	Pig	0	copies per 100ml
McAdoo	Poultry	0	copies per 100ml



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Revision 2.2 Effective Date: 11/11/2021

Fecal Host Quantification ID Test Results Report

Detection and quantification of the fecal host associated gene biomarker by quantitative Polymerase Chain
Reaction (qPCR) DNA analytical technology

ND: Not Det DNQ: Detected, Not Quantifiable

ROQ: Detected, Quantifiable

Submitter: Posey County Soil and Water Conservation District Report Generated: 4/20/2023

SM#	Sample ID	Date Collected	Time Collected	Analysis Requested	Ct, Rep1	Ct, Rep2	Marker Quantified	Results Qualifier	LOD (Limit of detection)	LOQ (Limit of Quantification)	Result Unit
SM23D07001	McAdoo	4/6/2023		Human HF183	31.88	31.35	1.97E+03	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07002	Little Creek	4/6/2023		Human HF183	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07003	BC New Harmony	4/6/2023		Human HF183	30.69	30.57	3.74E+03	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07004	BC Pfeiffer	4/6/2023		Human HF183	29.95	29.81	6.17E+03	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07005	Cynthiana	4/6/2023		Human HF183	29.85	29.54	7.01E+03	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07006	McAdoo	4/6/2023		Cow CowM2(EPA1)	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07007	Little Creek	4/6/2023		Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07008	BC New Harmony	4/6/2023		Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	35.45	33.52	1.01E+03	DNQ	1.50E+03	5.00E+03	copies per 100ml
SM23D07009	BC Pfeiffer	4/6/2023		Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	32.51	32.73	3.05E+02	DNQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07010	Cynthiana	4/6/2023		Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	32.98	34.19	1.74E+02	DNQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07011	McAdoo	4/6/2023		Pig_Pig2Bac	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07012	Little Creek	4/6/2023		Pig_Pig2Bac	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07013	BC New Harmony	4/6/2023		Pig_Pig2Bac	36.93	36.7	9.05E+01	DNQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07014	BC Pfeiffer	4/6/2023		Pig_Pig2Bac	30.59	31.11	4.82E+03	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07015	Cynthiana	4/6/2023		Pig_Pig2Bac	34.46	33.6	6.10E+02	ROQ	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07016	McAdoo	4/6/2023		Poultry_CL	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07017	Little Creek	4/6/2023		Poultry_CL	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07018	BC New Harmony	4/6/2023		Poultry_CL	33.76	35.08	1.01E+03	DNQ	1.50E+03	5.00E+03	copies per 100ml
SM23D07019	BC Pfeiffer	4/6/2023		Poultry_CL	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
SM23D07020	Cynthiana	4/6/2023		Poultry_CL	ND	ND	0.00E+00	ND	1.50E+02	5.00E+02	copies per 100ml
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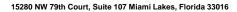
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SM23D07003	BC New Harmony	Human HF183	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418 q01	
SM23D07004	BC Pfeiffer	Human_HF183	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q01	
SM23D07005	Cynthiana	Human_HF183	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q01	
SM23D07006	McAdoo	Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q02	
SM23D07007	Little Creek	Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q02	
SM23D07008	BC New Harmony	Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/19/2023	100	ml	100	0.2	20230419_q01	
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SM23D07012	Little Creek	Pig_Pig2Bac	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q02	
SM23D07013	BC New Harmony	Pig_Pig2Bac	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q02	
SM23D07014	BC Pfeiffer	Pig_Pig2Bac	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q02	
SM23D07015	Cynthiana	Pig_Pig2Bac	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/19/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230419_q01	
SM23D07016	McAdoo	Poultry_CL	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q03	
SM23D07017	Little Creek	Poultry_CL	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/18/2023	100	ml	100	2	20230418_q03	
SM23D07018	BC New Harmony	Poultry_CL	Water	4/7/2023	4/18/2023	4/19/2023	100	ml	100	0.2	20230419_q01	
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qPCR Analysis QAQC information

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Analysis Requested	PCR Plate ID	Y-intercept	Slope	R^2	Efficiency %	NTC1 (no template control)	NTC2 (no template control)	NTC3 (no template control)	Positive control Ct (if applicable)	Comments
Human_HF183	20230418_q01	37.09	-3.45	0.999	94.90	ND	ND	ND		
Cow_CowM2(EPA1)	20230418_q02	35.27	-3.34	0.999	99.34	ND	ND	ND		
Pig_Pig2Bac	20230418_q02	37.71	-3.47	1.000	94.25	ND	ND	ND		
Poultry CL	20230418 q03	35.24	-3.24	0.999	103.77	ND	ND	ND		
Cow CowM2(EPA1)	20230419 q01	35.17	-3.26	0.998	102.84	ND	ND	ND		
Pig_Pig2Bac	20230419_q01	37.77	-3.50	0.999	93.01	ND	ND	ND		
Poultry_CL	20230419_q01	35.27	-3.28	0.999	101.83	ND	ND	ND		

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Non-Detect (ND) Results

In sample(s) classified as non-detect, the host-associated fecal gene biomarker(s) was either not detected in test replicates, one replicate was detected at a cycle threshold greater than 35 and the other was not, or one replicate was detected at a cycle threshold less than 35 and the other was not after repeated analysis.

Detected Not Quantified (DNQ) Results

In sample(s) classified as Detected Not Quantified (DNQ), the host-associated fecal biomarker was detected in both test replicates but in quantities below the limit of quantification (LOQ, see below). This result indicates that fecal indicators associated with the respective host was present in the sample(s) but in low concentrations, and the confidence of such quantification will be lower than that declared by the definition of LOQ.

Quantifiable Results (ROQ)

Sample results are within the range of quantification of calibration curves (standard curves) of a validation qPCR method. For most qPCR assays, the range is 1E1 to 1E5 copies/reaction. Copy number measurements reported are relative, not absolute, quantification.

LOD (Limit of Detection, lower)

A general consensus was reached around the definition of the LOD as the lowest amount of analyte, which can be detected with more than a stated percentage of confidence (95%), but, not necessarily quantified as an exact value. It must be noted that LOD is not a limiting value and therefore, that Ct values below the LOD cannot automatically be considered as negative. From the definition of LOD, it is evident that values below LOD are absolutely valid in terms of microornanism prescence. However, the probability of their repeated detection is lower than 95%.

LOQ (Limit of Quantification, lower)

The LOQ was defined as the smallest amount of analyte, which can be measured and quantified with defined precision and accuracy under the experimental conditions by the method under validation. Numerically, the LOQ is defined as the lowest concentration of analyte, which gives a predefined variability (coeffecient of variation, CV) of under 25%

Inhibition check

A 1:10 dilution of the original sample is analyzed togther each time with the undiluted sample to evaluate the effect of PCR inhibition. If the sample is inhibited, where 1:10 dilution produces a high signal than undiluted sample, the 1:10 dilution results will be used for quantification. The use of 1:10 dilution sample results will be reflected in Analytical Volume(ul). For example, if the analytical volume for undiluted sample is 2ul, the analytical volume for 1:10 dilution will be 0.2ul.

Fecal Reference Samples

The client is encouraged to submit fecal samples from suspected sources in the surrounding area in order to gain a better understanding of the concentration of the host-associated biomarker with the regional population. A more precise interpretation would be available to the client with the submittal of such baseline samples.

Result Interpretations

The presence of the biomarker does not signify the presence or absence of that form of fecal pollution conclusively. The most reliable way to accurately test for contamination is to combine genetic testing with scientifically sound and adequate study design appropriate for the environmental quality questions to be answered or issues to be resolved.

Additional Testing

A portion of all samples has been frozen and will be archived for 3 months. The client is encouraged to perform additional tests on the sample(s) for other hosts suspected of contributing to the fecal contamination.

Qualitification Assay Results (Detected/Non-Detected only)

Such results are only reported as Detected or Non-Detected without quantification. Non-Detected results are defined as stated above, and Detected results are defined as detected Ct in both replicate qPCR reactions.

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DNA Analytical Method Explanation

Water Samples: Each submitted water sample is filtered through 0.45 micron membrane filter(s). Each filter is placed in a separate, sterile 2ml disposable tube containing a unique mix of beads and lysis buffer. The sample is homogenized for and the DNA extracted per kit manufacturer's protocol. Devitations to these procedures may occur at the client's request.

Non-Water Samples: Each non-water sample submitted by the client is processed as per internal laboratory extraction procedures. An extracted DNA sample is proceed directly to PCR analysis. Details available upon request.

Amplifications to detect the target gene biomarker were run in a final reaction volume of 20ul sample extract, forward primer, reverse primer, probe and an optimized buffer. All assays are run in duplicate. Quantification is achieved by extrapolating target gene copy numbers from a standard curve generated from serial dilutions of known gene copy numbers.

For quality control purposes, a positive control and a negative control, were run alongside the sample(s) to ensure a properly functioning reaction and reveal any false negatives or false positives.

APPENDIX F FUTURE SERVICE AREA MAP

