

October 21, 2015

**AMENDMENT TO THE
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As provided for by the Permanent Rules of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) 31 Texas Administrative Code §371.49(c)(3), for projects funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program and consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S. Code §4321, et seq., the Executive Administrator of the TWDB issues this Amendment to the TWDB Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for the following project:

Greater Texoma Utility Authority, on behalf of City of Sherman
Grayson County, Texas
Elevated Storage Tanks Project
TWDB Project Number 62648
Total DWSRF Loan Amount: \$2,515,000

The TWDB issued a FNSI for the above referenced Water Treatment Plant Expansion project as proposed by the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (Authority) on behalf of the City of Sherman (City) for the on June 24, 2015. The Authority proposed the following improvements:

- 1) expanding the Sherman Surface Water Treatment Plant from 10 million gallons per day (mgd) to 20 mgd of finished water capacity and shifting to improved treatment methods; and,
- 2) constructing approximately 4 miles of 14-inch diameter piping for brine disposal, to connect the water plant to the City's sewer collection system at an existing lift station south of Farm-to-Market Road 691, approximately one mile west of its intersection with US Highway 75 north of Sherman.

In addition to the above improvements which are discussed in the June 24, 2015 TWDB FNSI, the Authority proposes to construct a new 1.5 million-gallon elevated storage tank (EST) to ensure necessary storage and pressure requirements. The new EST would increase total system storage capacity (elevated and ground) by approximately 5.7 percent. The new EST will also provide adequate pressures for the City while improvements to the existing Gallagher EST are underway. Improvements will include the installation of an actuator valve and associated electrical improvements.

The EST will be constructed within the existing Southwest Booster Pump Station facility as shown on the attached map. The property is a fenced, maintained lawn. It is not located within a floodplain or riparian area. According to Texas Historical Commission's Archeological Sites Atlas, there are no previously-recorded significant or potentially

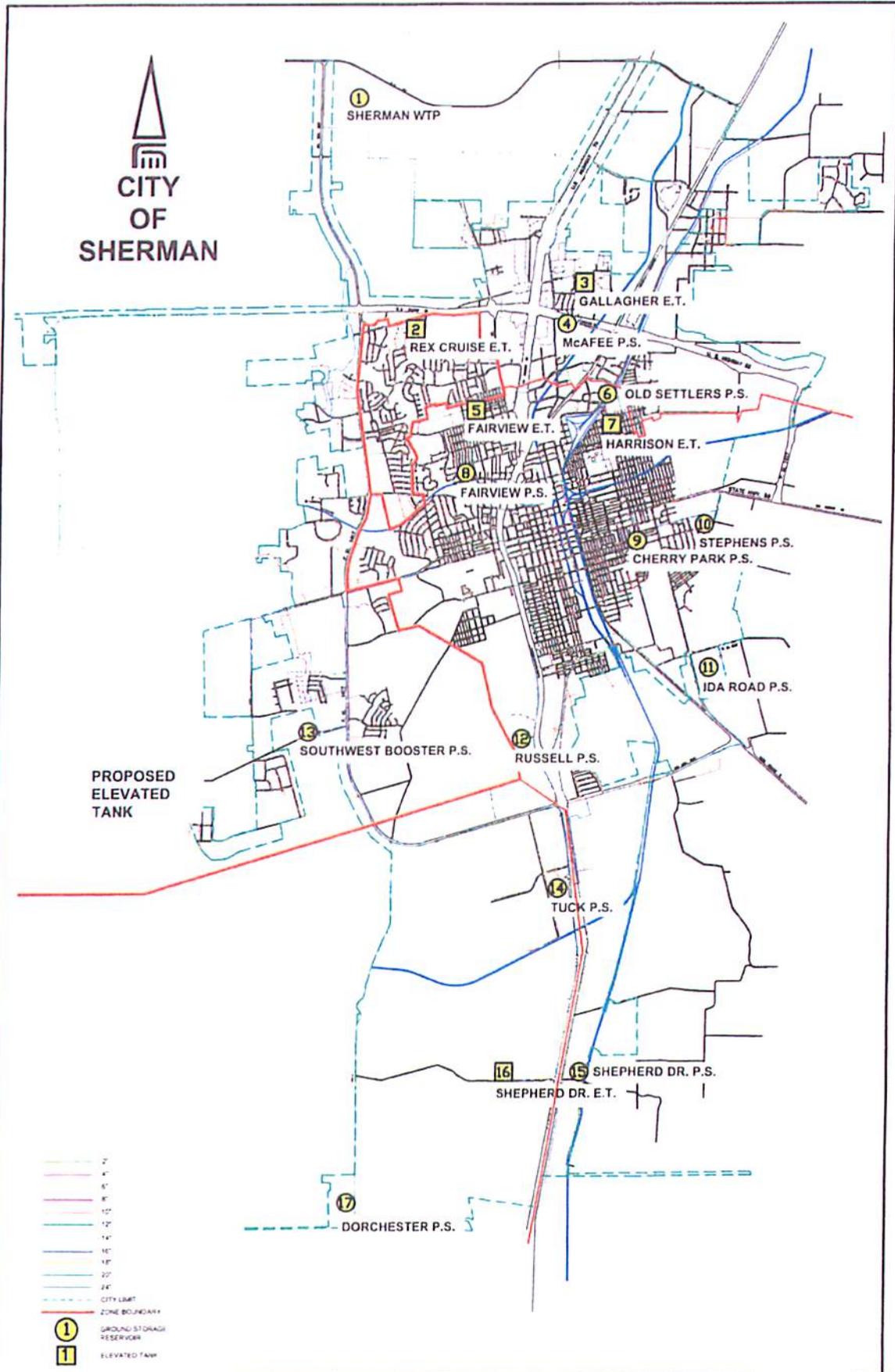
significant sites on or adjacent to the project site, nor is the site within a protected area surrounding an historic cemetery, structure or district. Because construction is limited to maintained lawn within a fenced facility, it is not expected to impact threatened or endangered species or habitat. The improvements at the Gallagher EST will be limited to existing structures. Both project elements would qualify for a categorical exclusion from a full environmental review. Therefore, no additional environmental review is necessary and the existing June 24, 2015 FNSI is amended to include both project elements (i.e., EST at Southwest Booster Pump Station and Gallagher EST improvements). Both sites are shown on the attached general location map.

This decision is allowed because the specified project elements should not entail significant adverse impacts to the quality of the human environment. Documentation supporting this determination is on file at the TWDB.

The June 24, 2015 TWDB FNSI included special conditions that are not relevant to this project element; and therefore, will not be included in this environmental finding. The proposed wastewater system improvement project is considered to be environmentally sound with the following conditions:

- Standard emergency discovery condition for threatened and endangered species; and,
- Standard emergency discovery condition for cultural resources.

Comments regarding this determination may be submitted to the Director, Regional Water Planning and Development, Texas Water Development Board, Austin, Texas 78711.



CITY OF SHERMAN
 PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT
 WATER FACILITIES

SCALE: 1" = 5000'
 JOB # 14014
 DATE : 06/30/2015
 SHEET 1

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SOUTHWEST BOOSTER PUMP STATION:
- SITE OF PROPOSED SOUTHWEST
1.5 MG ELEVATED STORAGE TANK
- MAINTAINED LAWN WITHIN EXISTING
FENCED SITE.

HALIBURTON DR

FM 1417



0 1250'

SCALE: 1" = 250'

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SOUTHWEST 1.5MG EST PROJECT LOCATION MAP

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