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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As provided by the environmental review process adopted in the rules of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 371.41, for projects to be funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Equivalency Program and consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 United States Code § 4321, *et seq.*, the TWDB staff has determined that the proposed action identified below may be exempted from comprehensive environmental review requirements:

City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas
TWDB DWSRF Project No. 62986
Pump Station Improvements
Total Financing Amount: \$640,000
Loan Forgiveness No. LF1001935

The City of Benjamin (City) is proposing to use \$640,000 in financing from the DWSRF program for the Pump Station Improvements project to replace an 81,000-gallon ground storage tank with a new hydropneumatic pump station, which will consist of a pump building, a new 5,000-gallon ground storage tank, pumps, piping, valves, a 500-gallon pressure tank, and associated appurtenances. All work will occur within the existing, developed site boundary and is therefore not anticipated to impact natural or cultural resources.

There are no previously recorded significant or potentially significant historical or cultural sites within or adjacent to the project footprint, according to the Texas Historical Commission's Archeological Sites Atlas, nor is the proposed project within a protected area surrounding a historic cemetery, structure, or district. The proposed project will not adversely impact waters of the United States, including wetlands. The proposed project is not located within a Special Flood Hazard Area; therefore, coordination with the local floodplain administrator was not required. The proposed project is not expected to impact threatened or endangered species or habitat.

The TWDB may not fund testing, remediation, removal, disposal, or related works for contaminated or potentially contaminated materials. However, the project proponent should ensure that, if found, such materials are tested, removed, and disposed of in accordance with applicable state and federal laws.

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The staff of the TWDB previously recommended issuance of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) for this project. The decision to grant this CE is allowed because the specified project elements will not cause significant adverse impacts to cultural and natural resources. Documentation supporting this determination is on file at the TWDB.

This determination shall be revoked if it is found that

- (1) the project no longer meets the requirements for a categorical exclusion from full environmental review as a result of changes in the project;
- (2) the project involves extraordinary circumstances as described in 31 TAC § 371.42; or
- (3) the project may violate or has violated federal, state, local, or tribal laws.

The proposed project must comply with the following special and standard environmental conditions:

Standard Environmental Conditions

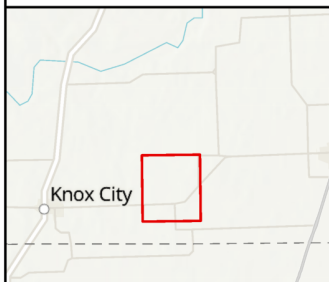
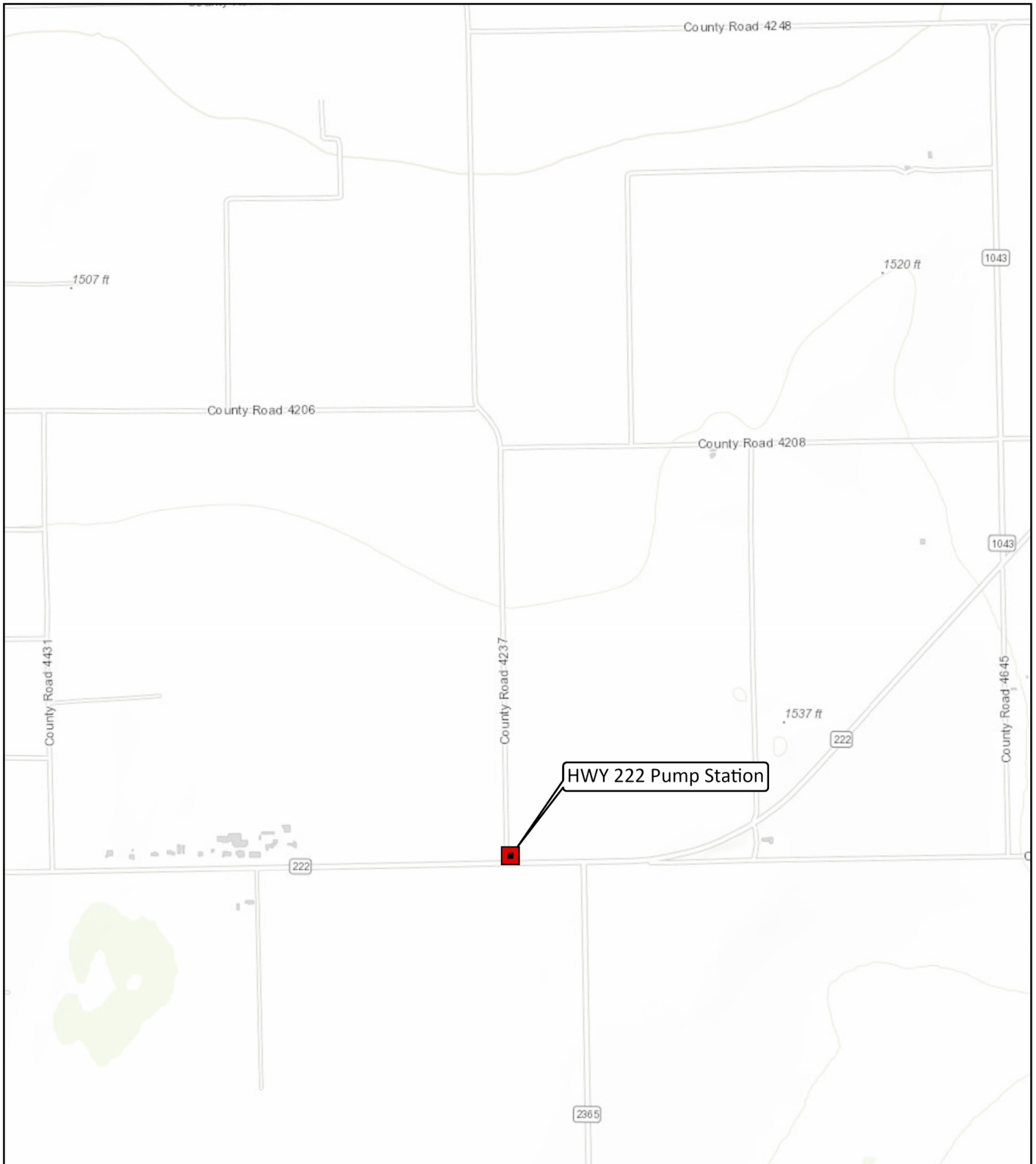
- Consistent with the TWDB Supplemental Construction Contract Conditions (TWDB-0550), the City of Benjamin (City) will abide by the standard emergency condition for the discovery of cultural resources.
- Consistent with the TWDB Supplemental Construction Contract Conditions (TWDB-0550), the City will abide by the standard emergency condition for the discovery of threatened and endangered species.

Comments regarding this determination may be submitted to the Director of Regional Water Project Development, Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas 78711-3231 or via email at RWPD-Environmental@twdb.texas.gov.


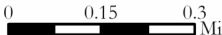
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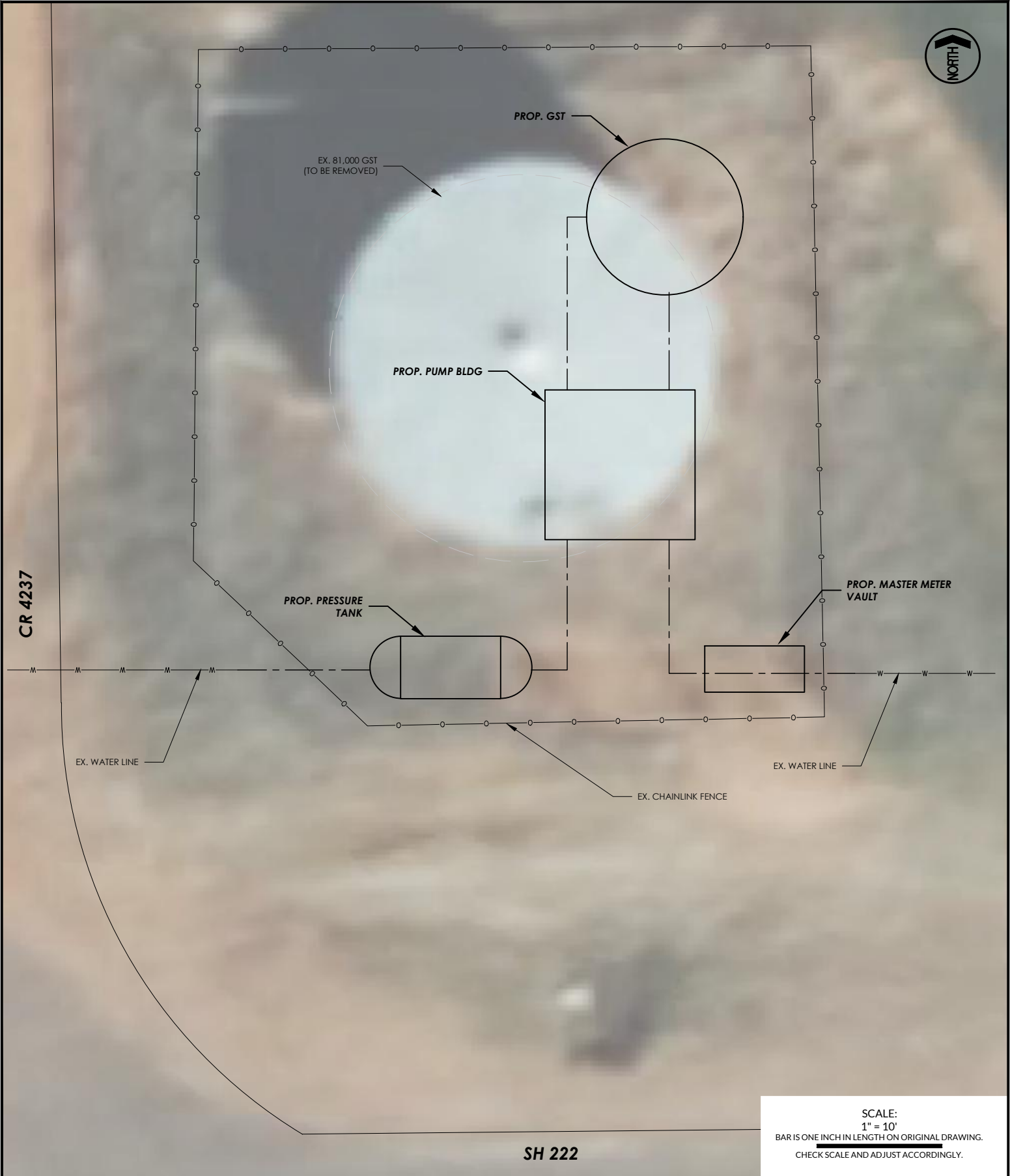
T. Clay Schultz, Ph.D., Director
Regional Water Project Development

Enclosures



City of Benjamin	
2024 DWSRF Application	
Project Map	
Texas Parks & Wildlife, Esri, HERE, Garmin, INCREMENT P, USGS, METI/NASA, EPA, USDA, Texas Parks & Wildlife, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, FAO, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, Esri, CGIAR, USGS	
	2023
Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Texas North Central FIPS 4202 Feet	



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1" = 10'
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CITY OF BENJAMIN
PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS
PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN

PROJECT #
22177



TBPE FIRM
2448

TBAE FIRM
BR 2261

TBPELS FIRM
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