

LEGAL NOTICE

Availability of Draft Finding of No Significant Impact for Proposed Installation of Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure for the Fargo Run Service Area Project, Peoria, Illinois

To all interested parties, this is notification that a draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), Environmental Assessment (EA), and associated documentation for proposed sanitary sewer installation to serve the northwest side of the City of Peoria (City) are available for review and comment. These improvements are necessary because the City has previously invested significant funds in sewer infrastructure to encourage economic development in the general area, and the proposed work will ultimately serve approximately 845 acres of a developing area located on the northwest side of the City. The U.S. EPA is proposing to grant funds to assist this improvement project. Congress has designated this project for partial funding through a Special Appropriation in U.S. EPA's Fiscal Year 2004 Appropriations. The sponsor of this project, the City, has applied for the proposed monies from the U.S. EPA. As part of the grant application process, the U.S. EPA is submitting the draft FONSI, EA, and associated documentation for public comment, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The draft FONSI states that the proposed project's implementation will not significantly impact the immediate environment. The draft FONSI is based on information contained in the EA, which was prepared by the City and its consultants. The draft FONSI and EA can be reviewed at the following location:

Public Library
107 NE Monroe Street
Peoria, Illinois 61602

Comments on the draft FONSI will be accepted from the public starting Wednesday, January 30, 2008, and concluding on Thursday, February 28, 2008. Comments postmarked after February 28, 2008 will not be accepted. Please submit your comments to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Attn: Kathleen Kowal, Mail Code: E-19J
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Greater Peoria Sanitary and Sewage Disposal District
Attn: Timothy Leach
2322 South Darst Street
Peoria, Illinois 61607-2093

At the close of the public comment period, the U.S. EPA will review any comments received and determine whether any modifications to the proposed project might be warranted. If no substantive comments are received, the draft FONSI will become final as is. Once the NEPA process has been completed, the City can proceed with the U.S. EPA grant application process. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kowal at (312) 353-5206 or Mr. Leach at (309) 637-3511.