

## Department of Environmental Quality

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## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

## TO ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As required by the guidelines for the preparation of environmental impact statements, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed project below:

**Project:** City of Francis Wastewater Treatment Facility

**Location:** 2317 South Spring Hollow Road

Francis, UT 84036

**Project Number:** SRF 197

Total Project Costs: \$5,108,000

**State/Federal Share:** \$808,000 Water Quality Board Grant; \$4,300,000 Water Quality Board Loan.

Francis City plans to upgrade its facultative lagoons wastewater system capacity from an existing influent average daily flow of 0.11 MGD to 0.36 MGD by adding two cells. The first new cell will be an aerated lagoon with approximately 4.41 acre-feet hydraulic capacity (7.8 Mgal) and a second new winter storage cell will have approximately 6.21 acre-feet hydraulic capacity (20.4 Mgal).

These modifications to the existing treatment facility are expected to provide sufficient wastewater treatment capacity for the community until 2035 when the population is projected to be approximately 3,524.

The Utah Water Quality Board authorized construction funding for \$4,300,000 SRF loan and \$808,000 grant. Interest rate and payments are to spread out for 20 years. The new monthly sewer user fee is expected not to exceed \$61.36, an increase from the current rate of \$40.00.

The review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) has been made. This action is taken on the basis of a careful review of the

engineering report, environmental information documents and other supporting information which are on file and available for public review at the Utah Division of Water Quality, 195 North 1950 West, P O Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870.

Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted for consideration to the Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870. After evaluating the comments received, the agency will make a final decision; however, no administrative action will be taken on the project for at least thirty (30) calendar days while advertising the Finding of No Significant Impact.

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD Walter L. Baker, P.E. Executive Secretary November 16, 2012