# COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 24, 2025

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Polk County (County).

## REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about July 10, 2025, County will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office (TGLO) for the release of CDBG-MIT program funds awarded under the Further Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-123), enacted on February 9, 2018, for necessary expenses for Activities authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq.) related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, mitigation, and affirmatively furthering fair housing, in accordance with Executive Order 12892, in the most impacted and distressed areas resulting from major declared disasters that occurred in 2015, 2016, or 2017 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.). as amended, to undertake a project known as Polk County 2023 Water Improvements, under contract # 24-065-044-E536 / B-18-DP-48-0002 for the purpose of 2023 Water Improvements (Leggett Water Supply Corporation).

### **Project Title:**

Leggett WSC GLO17-321543-P

Activity: MIT - Public Facilities and Improvements-Non-Covered Projects-LMI

Activity Type: Water Improvements

### **Project Description:**

**Water Plant 1 Pumps 5/7:** located at 4509 US Hwy 59 north of Livingston, TX. Install a new 500 gpm filter system which will include a concrete slab for placement of filter vessels, tanks, media, and pipes. In addition, valves, drainage & associated appurtenances will be installed. Fencing will expand by approximately 80' x 20' to enclose the new filter system. There will be no property acquisition, and all improvements will occur on the existing site.

Water Plant 2 Pumps 6/8: located at 9432 US Hwy 59 in Leggett, TX. Install a new 360 gpm filter system which will include tanks, media, sitework, a 70' x 15' concrete slab, drainage & grading, pipes, valves, and associated appurtenances. The new filter system will be capable of treating 360 gpm. There will be no new fencing or property acquisition, all improvements will occur on the existing site within the existing fencing.

This is a critical action project. Clearance includes administration, engineering and environmental. Total Areas of Impact: approximately 3.7 acres.

Project Location: Livingston/Leggett areas, Precinct 3, Polk County, TX 77530 / 77531

Polk County Precinct 3 Water Plant Improvements – General Location Information									
Water Plant	Location	Lat/ Long	Existing Equipment	New Capacity / Replacement	Approx Area of Impact (Acre)	Activities			
Leggett WSC Plant #1, Wells 5/7	4509 US Hwy 59, Livingston TX 77531	30.76111, -94.90811	1. Well #5: 200 gpm  2. Well #7: 300 gpm  3. Ground Storage: 75,000 gal  4. Elevated Storage: 50,000 gal  5. Booster Pumps: Total 1,500 gpm	<ul> <li>A filter system will be added which will be capable of treating 500 gpm.</li> <li>There will be an increase in the capacity of the footprint by approximately 70' x 15'which will include a concrete slab with filter vessels, transfer tanks, &amp; piping.</li> <li>The fencing will expand to approx. 80' x 20' to enclose the new filter system.</li> </ul>	2.0	Install a new 500 gpm filter system with a concrete slab for placement of filter vessels, tanks, media, & pipes as well as valves, drainage & associated appurtenances. Fencing will expand by approximately 80' x 20' to enclose the new filter system. There will be no property acquisition, all improvements occur on the existing site.			
Leggett WSC Plant #2, Wells 6/8	9432 US Hwy 59, Leggett TX 77530	30.82152, -94.86804	1. Well #6: 180 gpm  2. Well #8: 180 gpm  3. Ground Storage: 86,000 gal  4. Hydropneumatic Pressure Storage: 7,000 gal  5. Booster Pumps: Total 500 gpm	<ul> <li>A filter system will be added which will be capable of treating 360 gpm.</li> <li>There will be an increase in capacity of the footprint by approximately 70' x 15'which will include a concrete slab with filter vessels, transfer tanks, &amp; piping, all which will occur within the exiting fencing.</li> </ul>	1.7	Install a new 360 gpm filter system with a concrete slab for placement of filter vessels, tanks, media, & pipes as well as valves, drainage & associated appurtenances. No new fencing or property acquisition will occur.			

**Project Need:** The purpose of this project is to improve the treatment of iron and manganese in the groundwater treatment systems at both project sites.

# **Project Budget:**

Contract: HUD MID-DETCOG E536 - \$15,510,000.00

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\$	1,056,255.32	\$ 804,255.32	\$	252,000.00

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

County has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Polk County, 410 East Church Street Livingston, TX, 77351, where the record is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M. also available electronically at the following link\_https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/bgr4ggostm7xpcnx91wnf/Polk-CountyLeggettWaterPlantsERR24065044E536.pdf?rlkey=fakifx5m73tlbcvj9f1bvyk2n&dl=**0.** 

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Polk County. Comments may be submitted to Polk County, 410 East Church Street, Livingston, TX, 77351, weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M. Comment may also be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:sydney.murphy@co.polk.tx.us">sydney.murphy@co.polk.tx.us</a>. All comments received by July 9, 2025, will be considered by County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

Polk County certifies to TGLO that Sydney Murphy in her capacity as Judge consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. TGLO's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows County to use Program funds.

#### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

TGLO will accept objections to its release of fund and the Polk County certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Polk County (b) County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by TGLO; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Heather Lagrone, Texas General Land Office, PO Box 12873, Austin, TX 78711-TX 78711-2873, env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov. Potential objectors should contact TGLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Sydney Murphy Judge County of Polk