

February 15, 2018

Joel Gregozeski, Town Administrator
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Dear Mr. Gregozeski:

Subject: Town of Greenville Proposed STH 15 Sewer Project

Thank you for allowing me to respond to the proposal or intentions of the Town of Greenville Sanitary District #1 to extend public sewer along STH 15 commencing at approximately Julius Drive and northeasterly terminating at CTH JJ. In the context of conformance regarding the 2030 Grand Chute-Menasha West Sewer Service Area, East Central offers the following observations:

- The total length of this proposed sewer infrastructure totals approximately 13,600 linear feet, of which, 1,160 linear feet are in conformance with the 2030 Grand Chute-Menasha West, (GCMW), SSA Plan, (please see attached map). This represents a mere 8.5% of the overall project. Clearly, the portion beyond the approved sewer service area would require an amendment to the GCMW SSA plan, (attached please find the ‘SSA AMENDMENT & PLAN UPDATE PROCESS’ which may also be found on East Central’s webpage by flowing this link: [Fox Cities 2030 SSA Plan Update](#). In addition, the SSA Planning Area Boundary would also require an amendment to the GCMW SSA as the sewer project exits the planning area in its northeasterly direction to CTH JJ.
- East Central understands the majority of this sewer project is designated as forcemain, however, there is no indication of a lift station or pumping infrastructure as part of this submittal. This raises the question of cost-effectiveness especially when designing the forcemain and lift station sizing. The capacity of a lift station can be far-reaching, in terms of service area, which would also play a part in any amendment to the GCMW SSA plan. Capital expenditures of this magnitude for a single development project would likely not result in a favorable analysis regarding the overall cost-effectiveness of providing sewer as compared to the utilization of on-site waste treatment technologies. Any potential amendment to the SSA would require that such an analysis be completed for consideration by East Central and the WDNR.
- The majority of this proposed sewer is located within Tier 2 of the town’s Future Land Use map. Tier 2 is also within the 2050 Planning Area Boundary of the Grand Chute-Menasha West SSA. The remaining portion of this proposed sewer terminating at CTH JJ and STH 15 clips Tier 3 in its northwestern corner. A combined 20 per cent of town growth is projected within these tiers and being planned as conservation subdivision development. The town’s comprehensive plan acknowledges sewer may be feasible in Tier 2 as a longer-term pursuit, however, it also acknowledges that sewer service is not likely to occur in Tier 3, (at least not in the comprehensive planning horizon to 2030). It would appear there is an inconsistency in the timing of future development and the construction of this sewer project. As part of any SSA amendment, East Central would

require that the proposed project be consistent with the community's comprehensive plan and therefore the Town's plan would likely need to be amended in some manner.

East Central has scheduled the Fox Cities Sewer Service Area Plan update to begin in the Fall of 2018. It will initially focus on the data collection aspect in terms of land use inventories, demographic and economic data, as well as, environmentally sensitive area determinations. The Fox Cities SSA update would, for all intents and purposes, begin in earnest in 2019. Given the magnitude of this planning effort this process could well take eighteen months or so to complete. Of course, in the interim, requests for amendments to the plan are also a viable option.

Clearly, the scope of this proposed sewer project would require much more information and detail to fully assess the cost-effectiveness and viability. At first glance, it would be questionable to extend more than 2.5 miles of sewer for little gain in the near term. Perhaps a phasing strategy could be developed to achieve the same goal or some other arrangement can be sought out by working collaboratively with the developer and/or neighboring communities. At this point, given the information offered, East Central could not support this proposal as presented.

As usual, East Central stands ready to provide additional information should the need arise by contacting me or Joe Huffman of my staff at jhuffman@ecwrpc.org or by phone at (920) 751-4770.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric W. Fowle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "E" and "F".

Eric W. Fowle, AICP
Executive Director

c: Dan Klansky