

Why You Should Read This: The document below reviews the environmental impact likely from a project. This project is planned to be federally funded through your tax dollars; therefore, you are entitled to take part in its review. If you have concerns about the environmental impact of this project, raise them now. We encourage public input in this decision making process.



IOWA STATE REVOLVING FUND

REAFFIRMATION OF A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

November 3, 2016

To: All Interested Citizens, Government Agencies, and Public Groups

An environmental review has been performed based on the procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), for the proposed agency action below:

Applicant: City of Roland
County: Story
State: Iowa

SRF No.: CS1920710 01
Project No.: S2014-0203
Samson Street Sanitary Sewer

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a State Revolving Fund (SRF) status update. This project has previously been reviewed by the DNR and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) was issued on November 20, 2014. This FNSI is hereby Reaffirmed including the revised route for the proposed 12-inch, 18-inch and 24-inch sanitary sewers to increase capacity and relieve surcharging of the existing Samson Street trunk sewer.

The City of Roland revised the project area to include the above listed work as a continuation of the ongoing construction project. The revisions to the sanitary sewer route had not been previously evaluated by the DNR. It has now been determined by the DNR, and the State Historical Preservation Office has concurred (R&C #161085073), that the additional work will result in “No Historic Properties Affected.”

The Iowa DNR Flood Plain Management Section has determined that the proposed project will not require a state-issued flood plain development permit given that all excess spoil material will be removed from the flood plain and placed in an upland area and all ground surface contours along the sewer pipeline segment located in the flood plain of Bear Creek will be restored to their pre-project elevations. In addition, the City has issued a flood plain development permit for the portion of the sanitary sewer construction that will occur within the 100-year flood plain of Bear Creek.

The City has agreed to remove trees between October 1 and March 31 to avoid potential impacts to the habitat of federally-threatened or endangered bat species within the project area. If the City will disturb habitat or cannot follow the seasonal tree removal guidelines, additional consultation and clearance of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be required prior to any tree removal.

Given the scope and location of the proposed additional work, no other impacts of the environmental criteria listed in 40 CFR Part 6 are anticipated. This action is taken on the basis of a careful review of the engineering report, the environmental assessment and other supporting data which are on file at the Department of Natural Resources' office in Des Moines, Iowa. These are available for public review upon request. This Department will not take any administrative action on the project for at least thirty (30) calendar days from the above date. Persons disagreeing with the above environmental decision may submit comments to the department during this period. Please direct your comments to me at Tiffany.WilsonLillard@dnr.iowa.gov or 515-725-0261.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Project Map

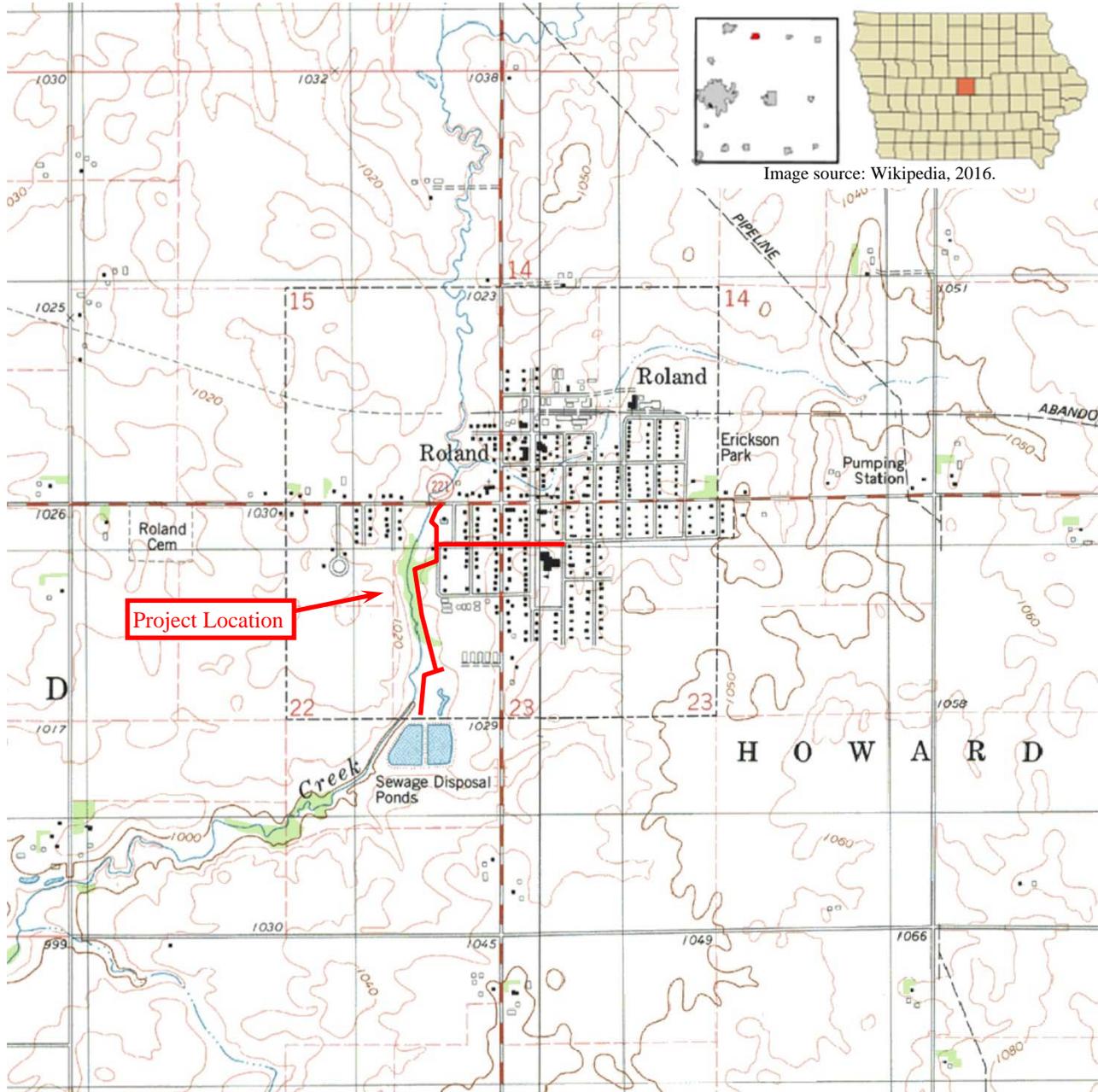
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USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangles: Story City & McCallsburg
Sections: 22 & 23, Township: 85 N, Range: 23 W
Date: 1975
Scale: 1 Inch = 2,000 Feet



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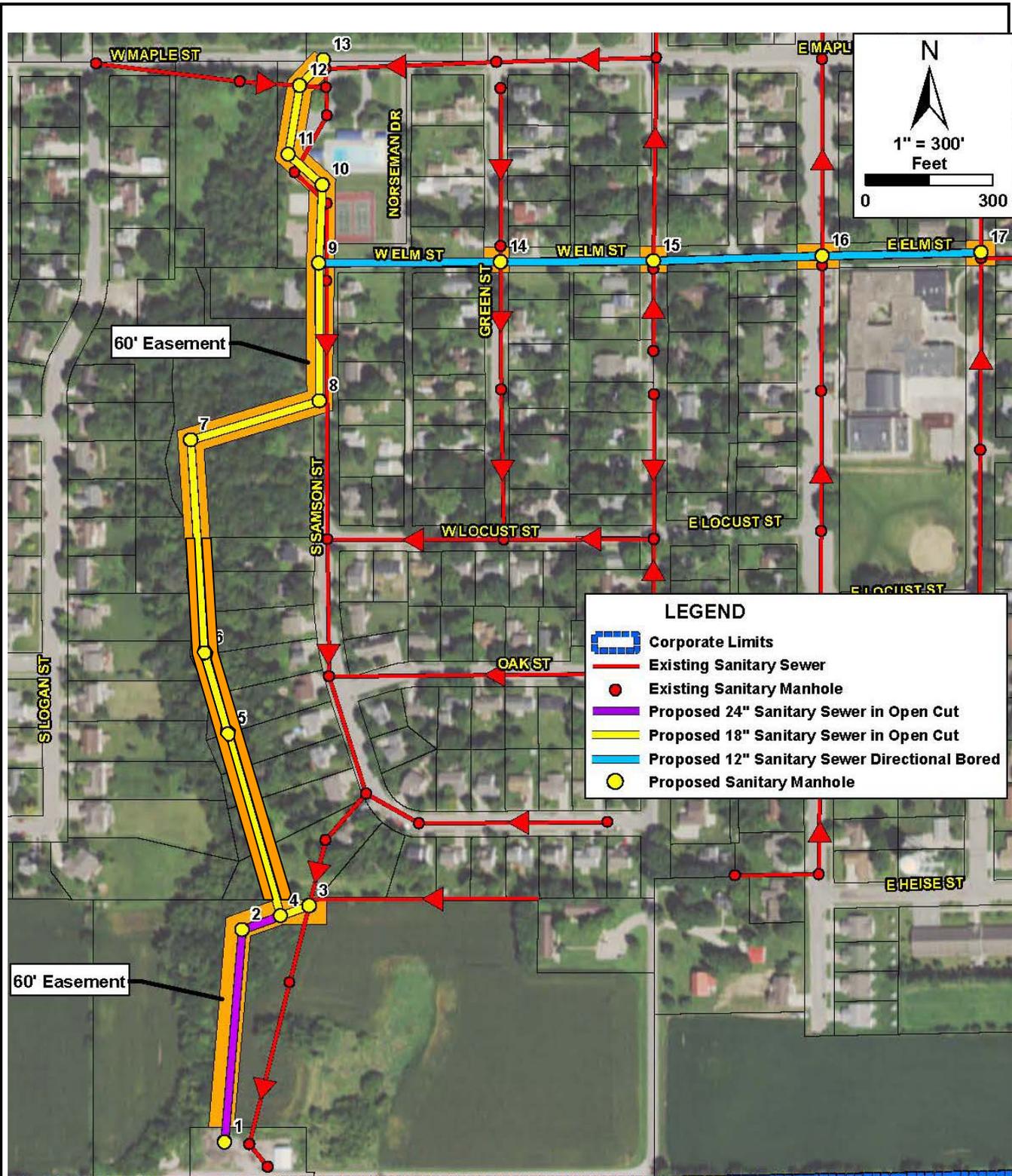


USGS Topographic Map

Samson Street Sanitary Sewer Project
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