Exhibit 15

US Army Corps of Engineers
Jim,

This email will serve as our official response to the above referenced request. A hard copy will not be mailed unless one is requested. Based on the information submitted, it does not appear that a permit would be required for the above referenced project as no discharge of fill or dredged material is proposed within aquatic resources. The information submitted by the applicant, consultant or agent indicated that all proposed stream crossings are to be completed utilizing directional bore methodology and no open trenches would be required. Directional boring is not a regulated activity by our agency given that the project is not a TNW. If the scope of the project changes and the project would necessitate the discharge of fill material or open trench methodology, please contact our office to determine permit requirements. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your awareness of our regulatory program.

Justin Branham
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Louisville District Eastern Kentucky Regulatory Office
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Comments on our Regulatory Services are invited:
http://corpsmapu.usace.army.mil/cm_apex/f?p=regulatory_survey
April 1, 2020

Jane Archer
US Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch
PO Box 59
Louisville KY 40201-0059

RE: City of Hindman – Hindman Waterline Extension Project

Dear Ms. Archer:

The City of Hindman has been approved for an Appalachian Regional Commission Grant for the above referenced project. The project will extend water into an unserved area of Knott County, Kentucky. In doing so, 68 households along Martin Branch Road, Tripllet Branch Road, Chimney Rock Road, Crimson Road, Upper Mill Road, and Charity Road will have access to new potable water service.

The Kentucky River Area Development District has been asked to undertake an environmental review of this project to ascertain the impact of the proposed activities. Any ground disturbance with this project will be in highway right-of-way and any stream crossings will be bored under. I would appreciate your office reviewing this project in relation to its potential impact(s) on any wetlands or permit issues under your jurisdiction. I have enclosed a project location map and project description for your reference.

Your comments may address beneficial or adverse impacts or, both. I would appreciate receiving your comments in the near future. I will assume if I have not received a response from you within 30 days of this letter, that your office does not anticipate any negative environmental impacts from this project, per your area(s) of responsibility. Responses can be sent by email to: lisa@kradd.org.

Thank you, for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

Lisa Napier
Community and Economic Development Specialist

Enclosures
Project Description
City of Hindman Water Line Extension Project

This project will extend water to 68 residences located across six currently unserved roads adjacent to the City of Hindman. Many of these residents are purchasing drinking water due to different circumstances including but not limited to summer droughts and holidays, as well as having polluted well water. The project will:

- Install a hydropneumatic pump and approximately 4200 LF of 4" PVC and 500 LF of 2" PVC along Martin Branch to serve 10 households.
- Install approximately 2,050 LF of 4" PVC and 500 LF of 2" PVC along Triplett Branch Road to serve 6 households.
- Install a hydropneumatic pump station and approximately 2,900 LF of 4" PVC and 750 LF of 2" PVC along Chimney Rock RD to serve 9 households.
- Install approximately 1,200 LF of 4" PVC and 250 LF of 2" PVC along Crimson Road to serve 7 households.
- Install approximately 8,450 LF of 4" PVC and 250 LF of 2" PVC along Upper Mill Creek to serve 30 households.
- Install approximately 650 LF of 4" PVC and 250 LF of 2" PVC along Charity Lane to serve 6 households.

Telemetry will be installed on the two hydropneumatic pump stations as well as upgrading the SCADA system wide on all existing tanks and pump stations as the system has become obsolete. All costs of SCADA have been incorporated into the ARC portion of the project.

The project will:

- 68 unserved households will have access to potable water supply.
- Installation of new water line – 21,950 LF (19,450 LF on 4" PVC and 2500 LF of 2" PVC).
- Installation of 2 hydropneumatic pump stations.
- Updated SCADA telemetry and office computer will result in more efficient system operations.
Exhibit 16
Project Maps
Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed.

There are no Railroad Lines on this site.

There are no Floodplains on this site.

FEMA DRIFM Panel 211903202C

Noted.

No Problem Drainage Areas were identified.

and 250 LF of 5" PVC for 6 Households.

Shield Install approximately 650 LF of 4" PVC

Legend

Charity Ln Floodplains Map

Waterline Extensions

City of Hindman
Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed.
There are no Railroad Lines on this site.
There are no Floodplains on this site.
FEMA DFRM Panel 21190202C
No Problem Drainage Areas were identified.
and 750 LF of 2" PVC for 4 households. Shall install approximately 2,900 LF of 4" PVC.

Notes:
Crimson Rd Floodplain Map

City of Hingham

Notes:

- Hydropneumatic pump station to be installed.
- There are no railroad lines on this site.
- There are no floodplains on this site.
- FEMA DFRM Panel 2111902626
- No Problem Drainage Areas were identified.
- Shall install approximately 1,200 LF of 4" PVC and 250 LF 2" PVC for 7 households.

Legend:

- FEMA DFRM
- Floodway
- Other Roads
- South Highway
- Owner
- Front Roads
- Proposed Lines
Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed. There are no Railroad lines adjacent to this site. Flood Zone "A" present on part of this site. FEMA DRIRM Panel 211900150D FEMA DRIRM Panel 2102300425C & A 0.2% Prob. 1 yr. Event 500 LF of 2" PVC for 8 households. Small install approximately 4,200 LF of 4" PVC

Notes:

Floodplain
FEMA DRIRM
Floodway
Other Roads
Waterway
Owner
Knot Roads
Proposed Lines

Legend

Martin Branch Rd Floodplains Map Waterline Extensions City of Hindman
Legend:

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0.2% Flood Zone - FEMA DFRM Panel 2102501600
FEMA DFRM Panel 2102501600
Floodway
Floodway
Railroad
Other Roads
State Highway
Owner
Right Roads
Proposed Lanes

City of Hingham
Triplet Branch Rd Floodplains Map
Waterline Extensions

Notes:

There is a Railroad Line adjacent to this site.
Flood Zone "A" present on part of this site.
and 500 LF of "PC" for 6 households.
Small Inland Approximately 2.050 LF of "PC"
There are no railroad lines on this site.

There are no Floodplains on this site.

FEMA DFRM Panel 21119C02256

Notes:

- No Problem Drainage Areas were identified.
- Shell installation approximately 8.460 LF of 4" PVC and 250 LF of 2" PVC for 15 Households.
- Open route.
- Roadway.
- Floodway.
- E Zot Annual Change Flood Hazard.
- E Zot Zone.

City of Hindman

UPPER MILL CREEK RD Site Plan Map

Waterline Extensions
Notes:

- Shall install approximately 2,900 LF of 4" PVC and 750 LF of 2" PVC for 4 Households.
- No Problem Drainage Areas were identified on this site.
- There are no Floodplains on this site.
- There are no Railroad Lines on this site.

Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed.
Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed.

There are no Railroad Lines on this site.

No Problem Drainage Areas were identified and 250 LF of 2" PVC for 7 Households
shall install approximately 1,200 LF of 4" PVC.

Notes:

Crimson Rd Wetlands Map
Waterline Extensions
City of Hingham
Notes:
- Shall install approximately 4,200 LF of 4" PVC and 500 LF of 2" PVC for 8 households.
- No Problem Drainage Areas were identified on this site.
- There are no Railroad Lines adjacent to the site.
- Hydropneumatic Pump Station to be installed.

City of Hindman
Waterline Extensions
Martin Branch Rd Wetlands Map
There is a Railroad Line adjacent to this site.

Flood Zone "A" present on part of this site.

No Problem Draining Areas were identified.

and 500 LF of 2" PVC for 6 households.

 Shall install approximately 2.650 LF of 4" PVC

Notes:

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Triplet Branch Rd Wetlands Map

Waterline Extensions

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Acve Railroad
Lake
Floodway
Flood Highways
Floodway Forecasted
Wetland
Projected Roads
Owner
"Knot" Roads
Other Roads
Exhibit 17
Combined Notice to Public of No Significant Impact
And
Notice to Public of Request for Release of Funds
And Tear Sheet
COMBINED NOTICE
NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT
AND NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date July 23, 2020

City of Hindman
(Name of Applicant)
10 Professor Clark Circle Hindman, KY 41822 (606) 785-5544
(Street, City, Zip Code) (Telephone #)

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for the activities to be undertaken by the City of Hindman

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:

Request for Release of Funds

On or about August 10th, 2020, the City of Hindman will submit a request to the Department for Local Government for the release of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) to undertake the following project:

Hindman Waterline Extensions Project
(Project Title or Name)
Extending water into an unserved area adjacent to the City of Hindman.
(Purpose or Nature of the Project)
Hindman, Knott County, Kentucky
(Location – City, County, State – of Project
9601,9603
(Census Tract(s))

Finding of No Significant Impact

The City of Hindman 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) (PL-91-190) is not required. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) respecting the within project has been made by the City of Hindman which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statements is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the City’s office at 10 Professor Clark Circle, Hindman, KY and is available at www.kradd.org for public examination and copying, or upon request at the City’s office between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM. No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted.
Public Comments

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with the ERR decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Hindman to the City's office. Such written comments should be received at 10 Professor Clark Circle, Hindman, KY 41822 or lisa@kradd.org on or before August 7th, 2020. All such comments so received will be considered prior to authorizing submission of a request for a release of funds or taking any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified on the proceeding sentence. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

Environmental Certification

The City of Hindman will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant and Appalachian Regional Commission funds from the Department for Local Government under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Hindman is certifying to the state that the City of Hindman and Tracy Neice, in his official capacity as Mayor consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval the City of Hindman may use the Community Development Block Grant and Appalachian Regional Commission funds and the state and HUD will have satisfied their responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

Objection to Release of Funds

The state will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Hindman certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission dates or its actual receipt for the request (whichever is the later) only if they are on one of the following bases:

(a) The certification was not in fact executed by the City of Hindman's Certifying Officer.

(b) The City of Hindman has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 58.41 or to make the written determination decision required by 58.57, 58.53 or 58.64 for the project, as applicable.

(c) The City of Hindman has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at Subparts F and G for the preparation and completion of an EA.

(d) No opportunity was given to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation or its Executive Director to review the effect of the project on a property listed on the National Register of Historic Places, or found to be eligible for such listing by the Secretary of the Interior, in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.

(e) The 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 the release of funds and approval of the Environmental Certification by HUD or the State.

(f) 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 the Department for Local Government, Office of Federal Grants, 100 Airport Drive, 3rd Floor Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the state. No objection received after August 31, 2020 will be considered by the state. Potential objectors should contact the Department for Local Government to verify the actual last day of the state Comment period.

Tracy Neice, Mayor
(Name of Certifying Officer of Applicant/Title)

10 Professor Clark Circle
(Address)

Hindman, KY 41822