



CITY COUNCIL Planning Retreat – Minutes

August 19, 2022 at 8:00 AM | Kimpton Brice | 601 E Bay St, Savannah, GA 31401

I. ROLL CALL/DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Present: Rebecca C. Benton, Mayor
Tom Hutcherson, Mayor Pro Tem
Shannon Black, Councilmember
Aaron Higgins, Councilmember
Stevie Wall, Councilmember
John Wilcher, Councilmember
Karen Williams, Councilmember
Robert Byrd, City Manager
Craig Call, City Attorney
Chris Lightle, Finance Officer
Kiley Fusco, Clerk of Council
Caroline Hankins, Director of HR
Matthew Saxon, Assistant City Manager
Wade Simmons, Fire Department Chief
Ashley Brown, Police Department Chief

Absent: Steve Scheer, City Attorney

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rebecca Benton called the retreat to order at 8:00 a.m.

III. UPDATES

A. Development Authority

Attorney Ben Perkins of Oliver Maner gave a Development Authority update. Presentation slides are included as an attachment to the minutes.

B. Quacco Road

Leon Davenport of Thunderbolt Consultants gave an update on Quacco Road improvements. Presentation slides are included as an attachment to the minutes.

C. Wastewater Treatment Plant

Chris Burke and G. Holmes Bell of Hussey Gay Bell provided an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant project. Presentation slides are included as an attachment to the minutes.

IV. TRAINING SESSIONS

A. **Social Media**

Clare Norins, Assistant Clinical Professor Director for the First Amendment Clinic at UGA School of Law, provided social media account training for elected officials.

B. **Gratuities Clause**

Craig Call, Assistant City Attorney, provided training on the State of Georgia's Gratuities Clause.

V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. **Finance**

Chris Lightle, Finance Officer, presented on the current state of the 2022 budget.

B. **Fire**

Chief Wade Simmons gave the Fire Department report. 2021 saw a 20.5% increase in call volume. New Fire Station #5 is nearly complete. 2023 priorities include addressing staffing shortage/retention/additions, construction of a training center/building, new equipment for the aerial ladder truck station, and EMS QRV staffing/vehicle/equipment.

C. **Police**

Chief Ashley Brown gave the Police Department report, reviewing Part 1 and II Crimes, arrests, and DUI statistics from 2020 to date. Citations and warnings have increased.

VI. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

A. **2023 City-Sponsored Events**

HR Director Caroline Hankins reviewed planned and proposed city-sponsored events for 2023.

B. **2023 City Holidays**

HR Director Caroline Hankins reviewed planned and proposed city holidays for 2023.

C. **Open Forum**

Councilmember Karen Williams proposed updating the city charter for clarification and to address antiquated language. Councilmember Aaron Higgins proposed converting the temporary footbridge over the canal at the rear of the Recreation Center into a permanent one. Mayor Pro Tem Tom Hutcherson proposed instituting a youth council and mentioned that he would like to revisit the idea at the beginning of 2023.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

With no further public presentations to conduct, Mayor and Council entered Executive Session at 1:02 p.m. Mayor Rebecca C. Benton called the retreat back to order at 1:19 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The retreat concluded at 1:20 p.m.

The foregoing minutes are true and correct and approved by me on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Rebecca C. Benton, Mayor

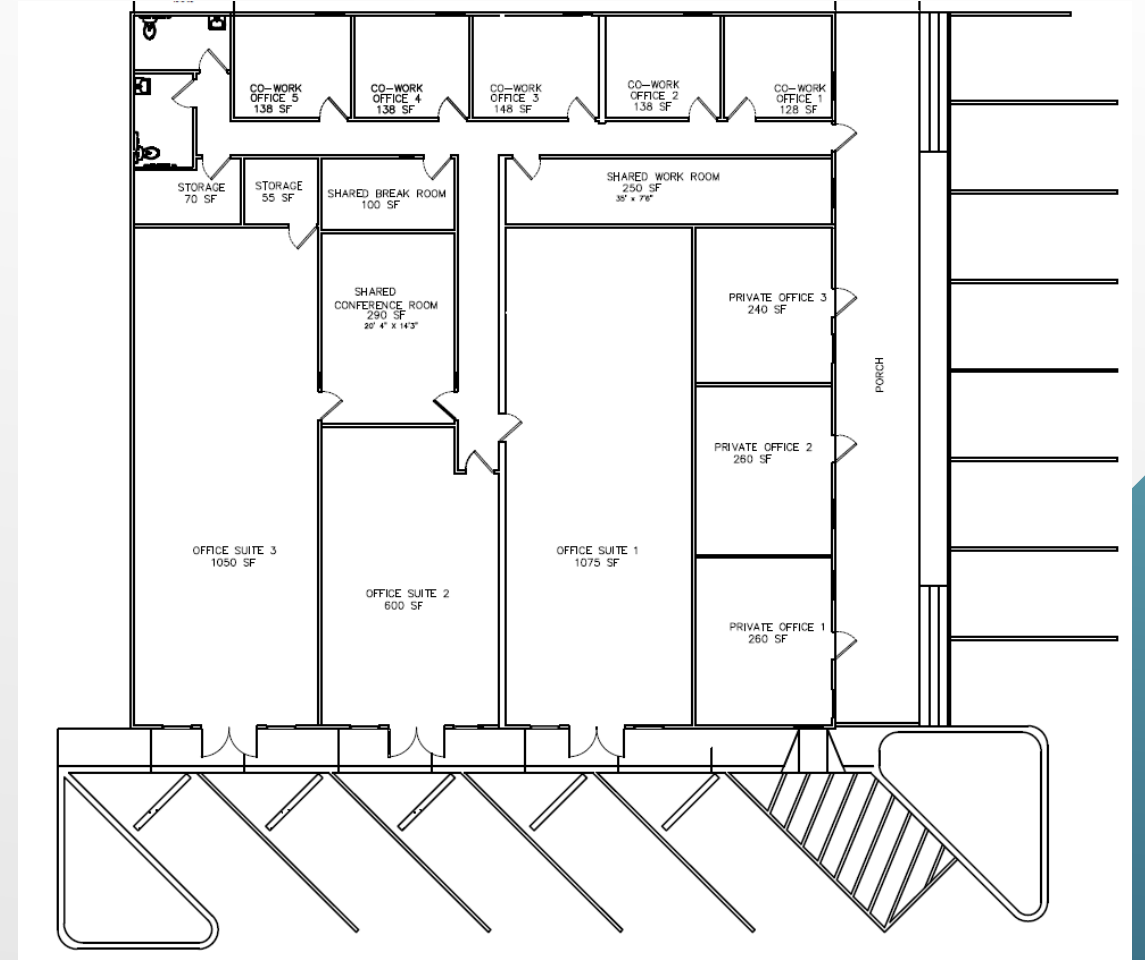
Attest:

Kiley Fusco, Clerk of Council

Carlson & Co. 405 N. Laurel St



Co-op Business Center 712 N. Laurel St.



Pine Street Crossfit 303 N. Pine St





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Streetscape Improvements

Curb & Gutter
Landscaping
Street Trees
Underground Power
Decorative Lamps
Bins and Benches

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Welcoming Atmosphere
Inviting Character
Increased Foot Traffic



QUACCO ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

CITY OF POOLER

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Leon Davenport, P.E.
Principal

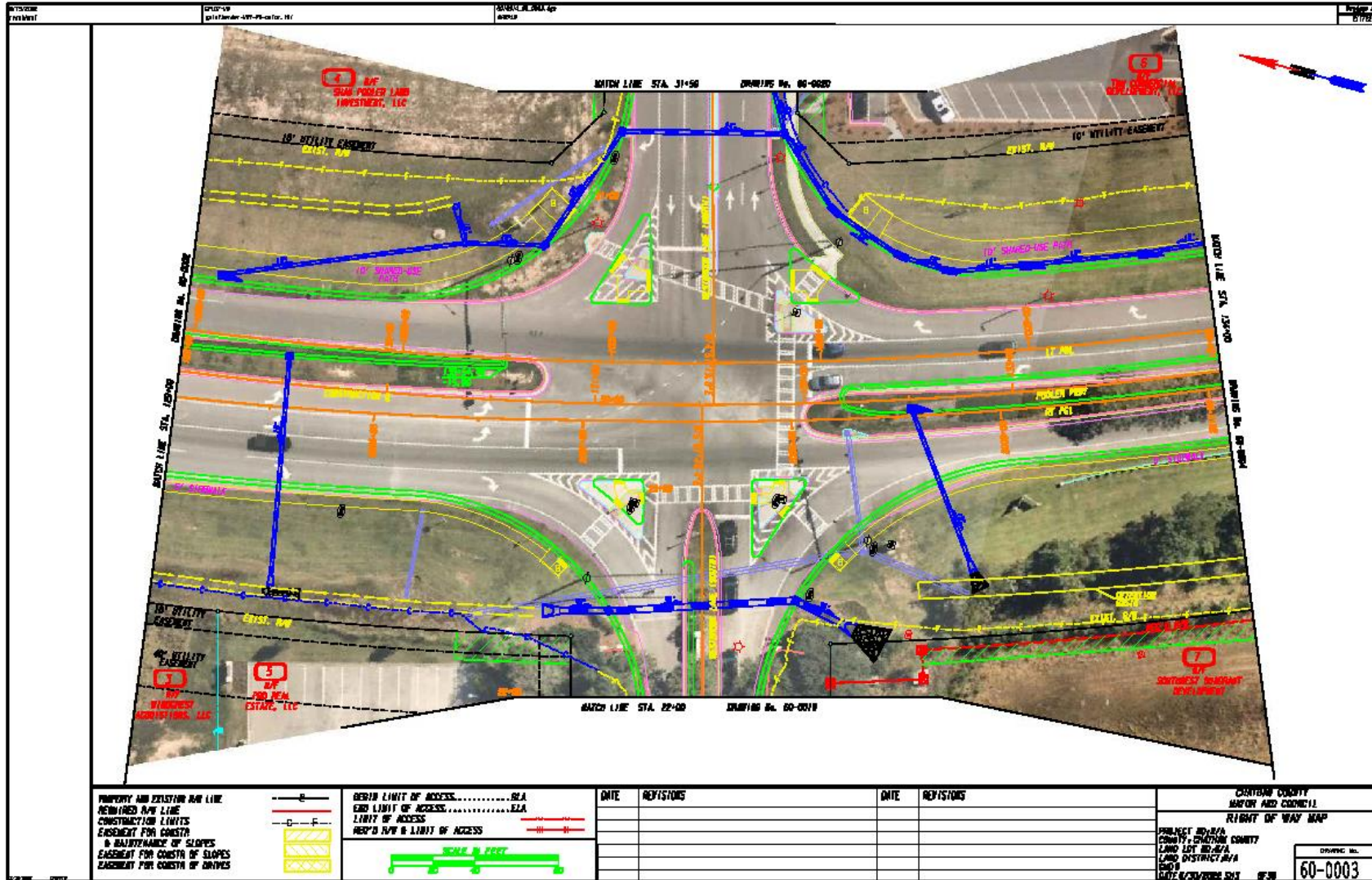
Existing Conditions

- ▶ Roadway transitions from 4/5 lanes to a 2 lane facility
- ▶ No signalization for most of the corridor
- ▶ No turning lanes from Old Quacco Road to I-95
- ▶ No pedestrian or bicycle facilities for most of the corridor
- ▶ No access control through the corridor to promote safety and efficiency
- ▶ 40 parcels will be partially impacted by the project

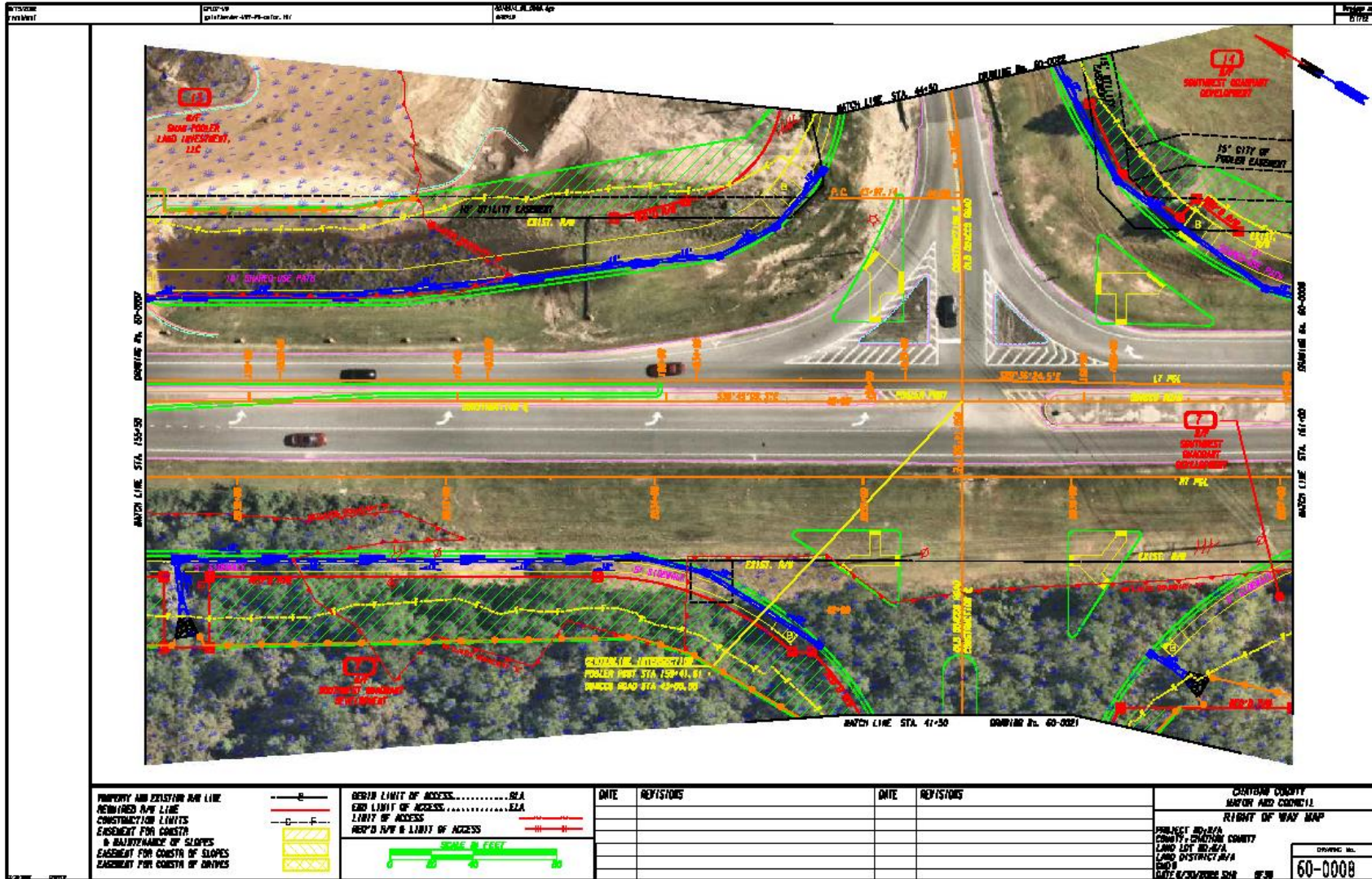
Proposed Improvements

- ▶ Improve the corridor from Blue Moon Crossing to Canal Bank Road
- ▶ Provide median access control through most of the corridor
- ▶ Improve signalization at Blue Moon Crossing and Westbrook Lane
- ▶ Add signalization at Old Quacco Road and Easthaven Blvd
- ▶ Construct pedestrian and bicycle facilities through the corridor
- ▶ Install stormwater facilities to negate impervious improvements

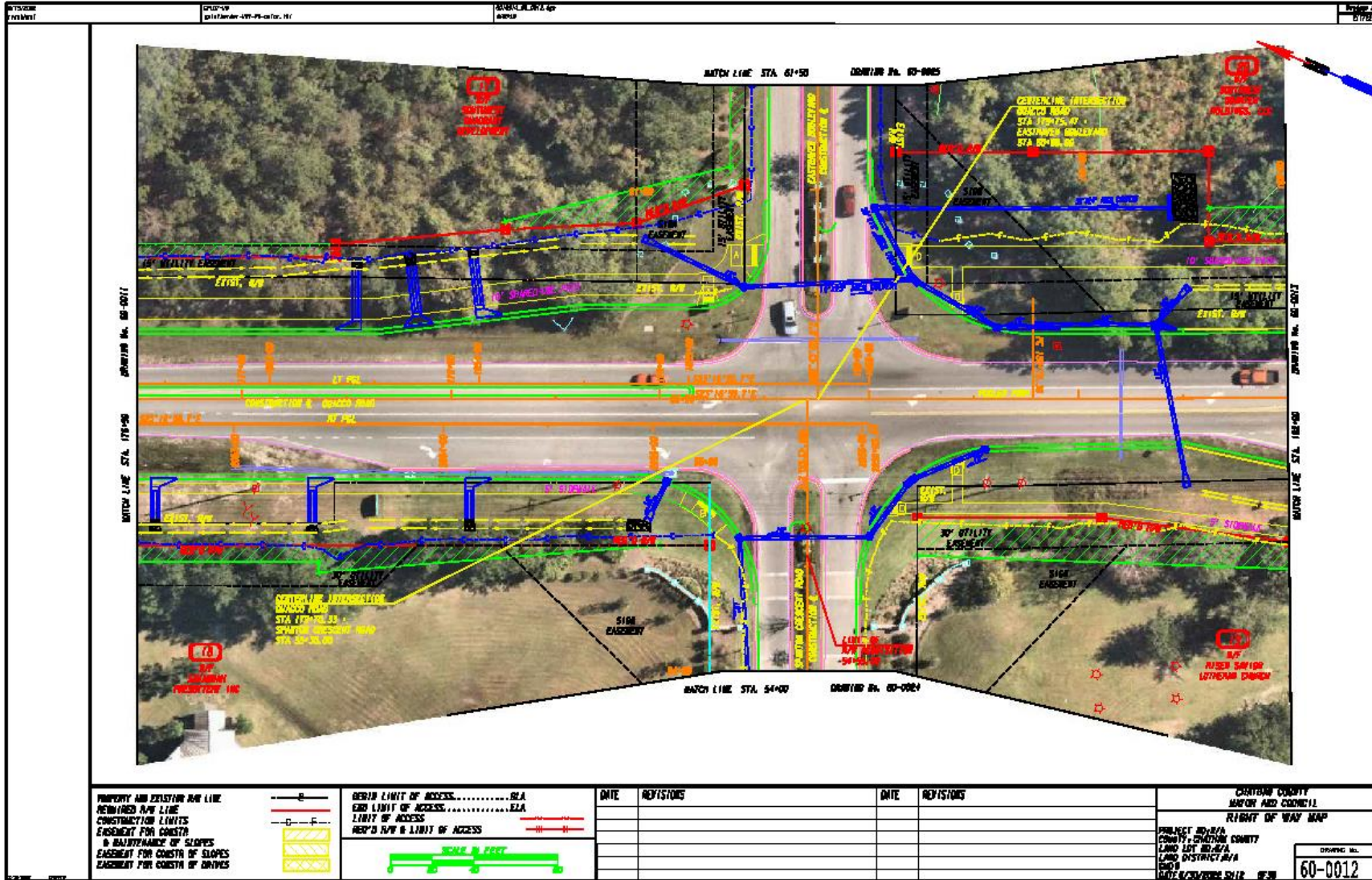
Westbrook Lane Intersection



Old Quacco Road Intersection



Easthaven Boulevard Intersection



Remaining Schedule

- ▶ Right of Way Plans - Complete (Title work underway)
- ▶ Construction Plan Submittal - October 2022
- ▶ Public Hearing and Property Owners Meetings - October 2022
- ▶ Final Construction Plans - December 2022
- ▶ Easthaven Signal - December 2022
- ▶ Final Wetlands Permit - May 2023
- ▶ Invitation to Bid - May 2023
- ▶ Construction Completion - May 2025



- ▶ Questions?
- ▶ Leon Davenport, P.E.

- ▶ 912-644-0285
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Pooler City Council Workshop Engineering Update

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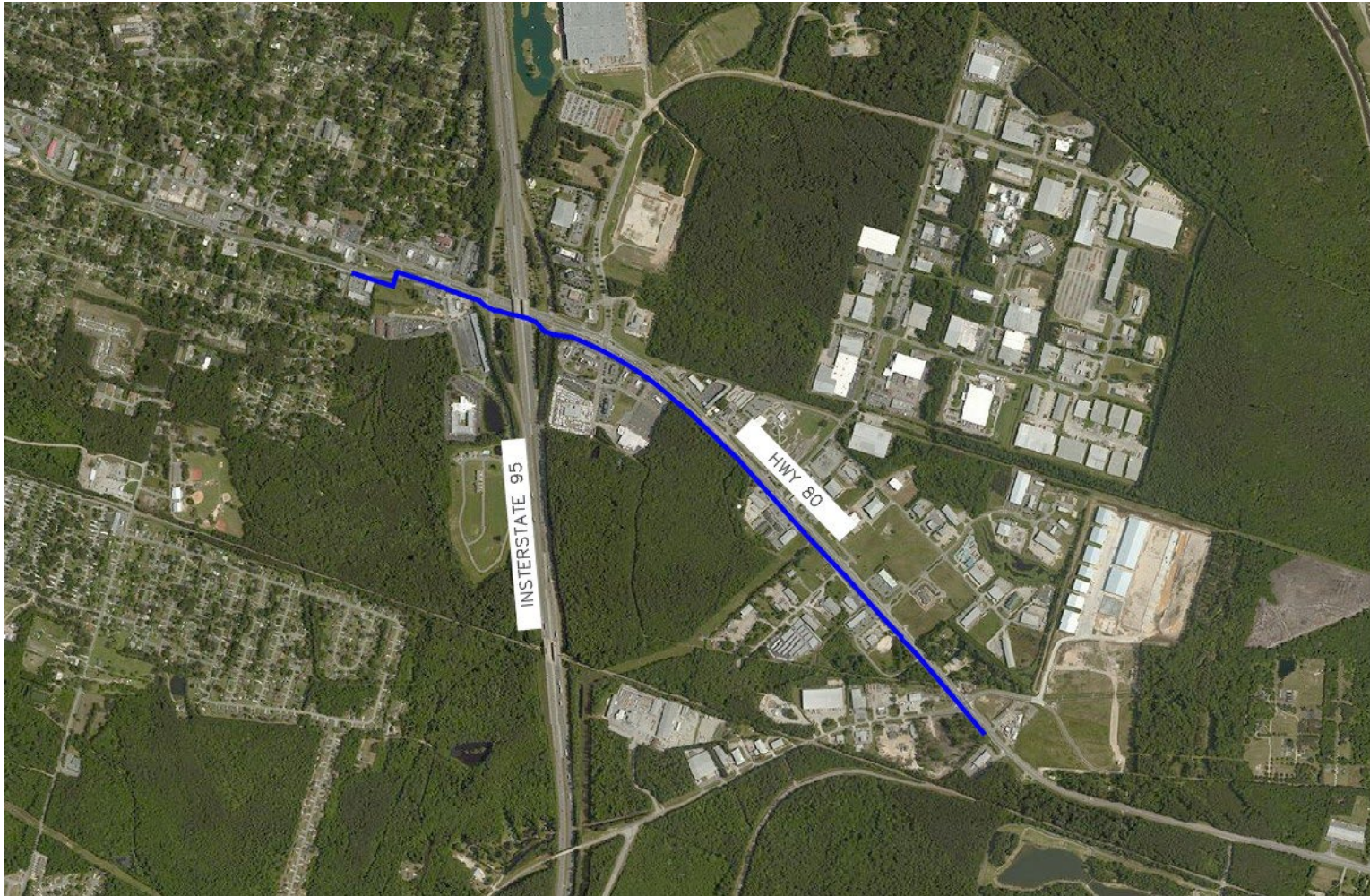
Pooler Water Projects



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Pooler Water Projects



- Hwy 80 Water Main Replacement
- Elevated Storage Tank at Savannah Quarters
- Interconnection under I-16 at Westbrook
- Replacement of remaining undersized galvanized water lines in Old Pooler



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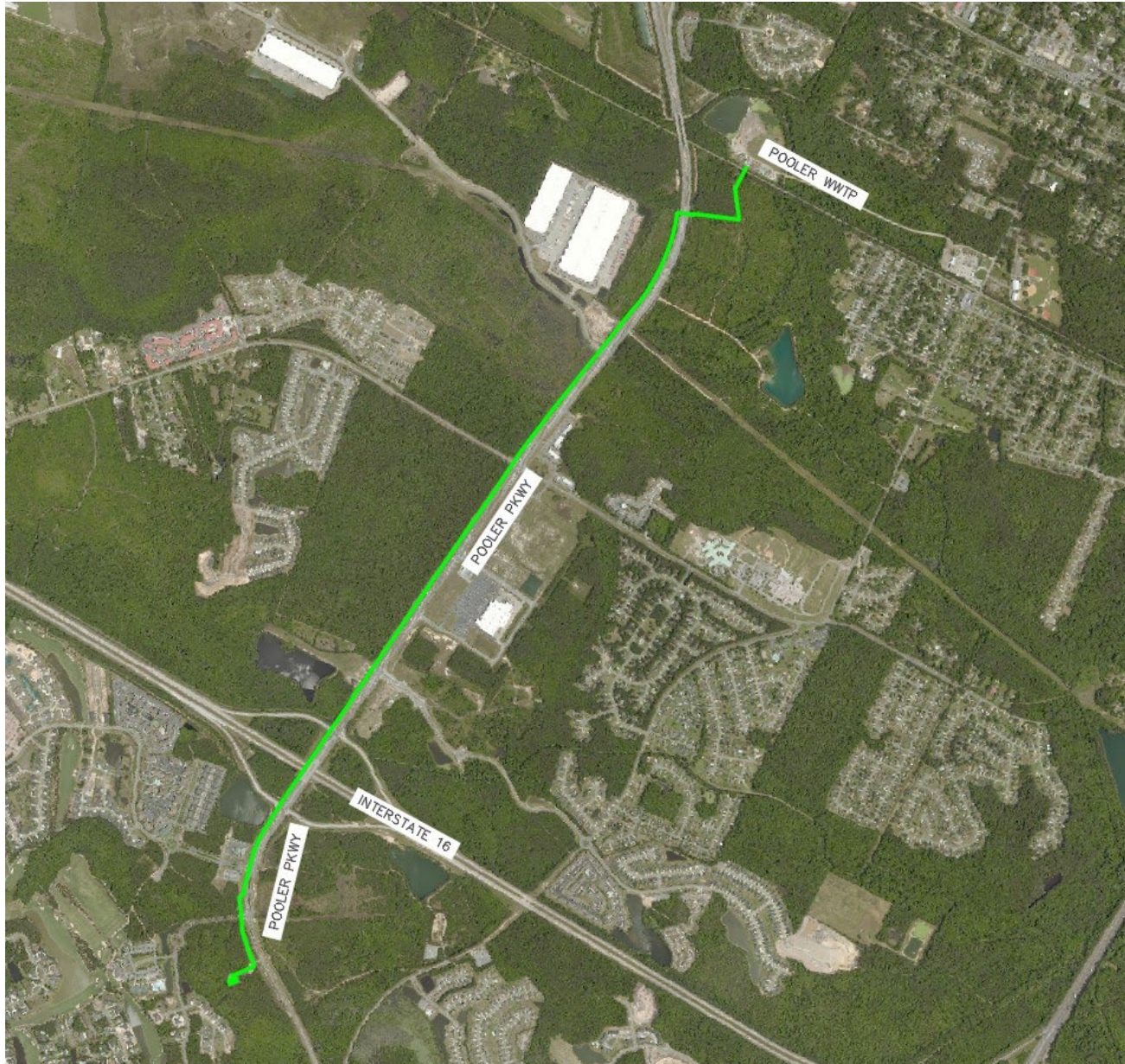
Pooler Sewer Projects



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Savannah Quarters Lift Station Upgrades



- Upgrade to a capacity of 4.8 MGD
- Project is under construction – mobilization this week
- Project schedule has been modified due to supply chain issues
 - Estimated Completion Date: 08/01/2023
- Contract Price: \$6,631,946



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Pooler Wastewater Treatment Plant



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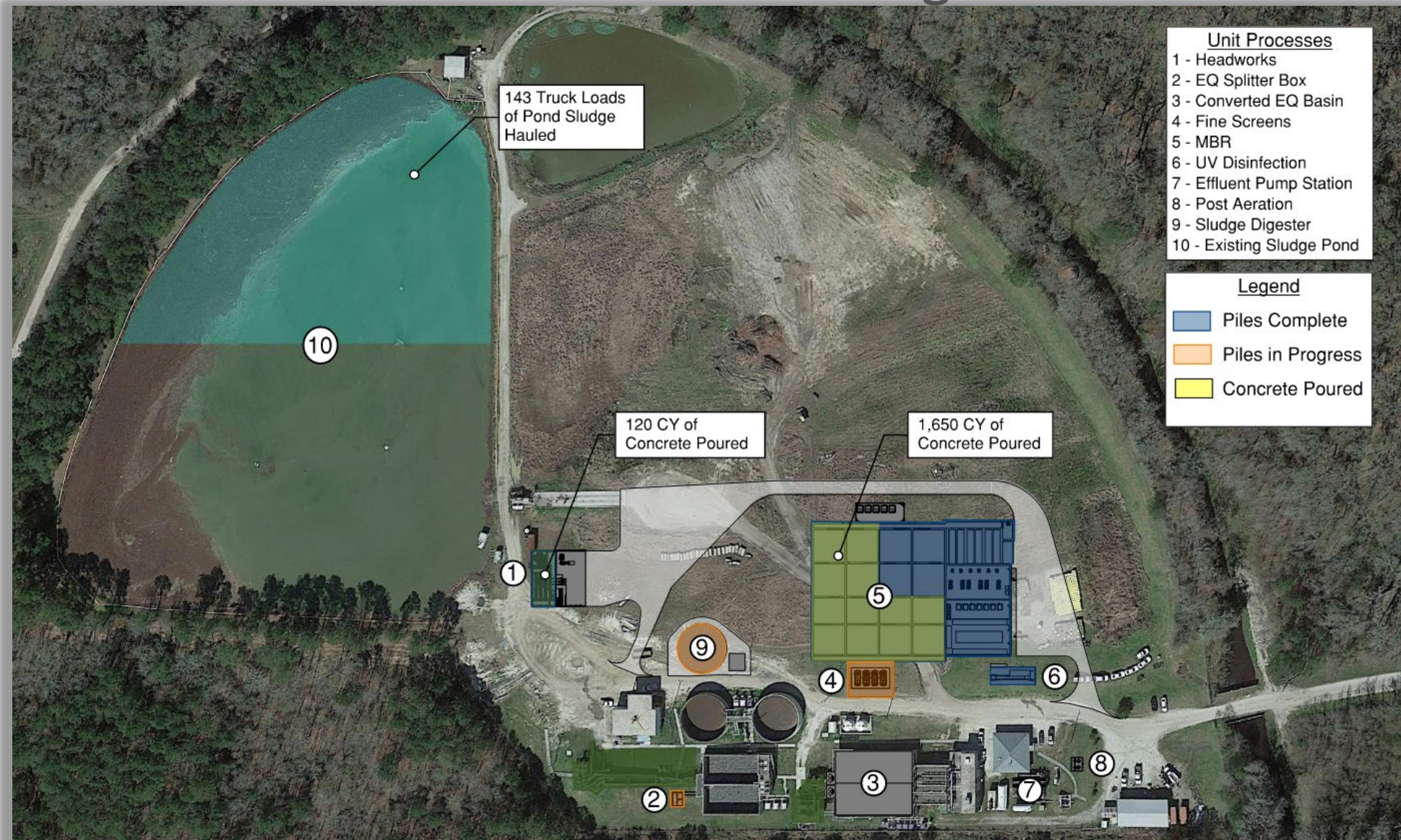
Pooler WWTP 6.223 MGD Upgrade

Construction Update

- Bi-weekly Progress Meetings and On-site Construction Observation.
- Shop Drawing Submittals and Reviews in Progress.
- Pay Applications processed monthly. Pay application submittals include required GEFA materials such as certified payroll, labor interviews, stored materials invoices.
- Project is On-Schedule and In-Budget.
 - NTP – April 6, 2022.
 - Division 1 Completion (Headworks, MBR and UV) – September 28, 2023.
 - Division 2 Completion (Equalization Basins and Sludge Digester) – January 26, 2024.
 - Final Completion – March 26, 2024.
- ECS performing Special Inspections (Concrete Reinforcement and Concrete Testing).
- Current Construction:
 - Biological and MBR Basin.
 - Piles Complete, 50% Foundation Slab Poured, Wall Forms in Progress.
 - Headworks Foundation.
 - Piles Complete, Foundation Slab Poured.
 - Holding Pond Sludge Removal.
 - 40% Complete.



Proposed 6.223 MGD WWTP – Construction Progress



Proposed 6.223 MGD WWTP – Headworks Construction



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Proposed 6.223 MGD WWTP – MBR Construction



May 13, 2022



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Proposed 6.223 MGD WWTP – MBR Construction



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