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FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

To: All Interested Persons

Date Issued: September 9, 2010

Pursuant to the State of Maine Revolving Loan Fund Rules, Chapter 595, Section C.5., we have prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for:

Greater Augusta Utility District
CSO Abatement Project – Phase 3:
Bond Brook Collection System
12 Williams Street
Augusta, Maine 04330

Kennebec County
Project No. 230173-13

A detailed description of the project is contained in the attached EA. A review of the proposed project by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) reveals no significant long-term adverse effects and that the quality of the human environment will be improved by the proposed project. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Comments relative to this decision may be submitted to the DEP for review. No administrative action will be taken for at least thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of this Finding.

Additional information is available for public review at the DEP Augusta address indicated below.

John N. True

September 9, 2010

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Brian Tarbuck, General Manager
Greater Augusta Utility District
12 Williams Street
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SUBJECT: Greater Augusta Utility District (GAUD); CSO Abatement Project – Phase 3: Bond Brook Collection System
Finding of No Significant Impact

Dear Mr. Tarbuck:

In compliance with Section C of the "State of Maine Revolving Loan Fund Rules Chapter 595", this office has reviewed the environmental aspects of the proposed Togus VA wastewater connection to GAUD. From this review, we have determined that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is required.

We will have distributed the Finding of No Significant Impact to all known interested parties (See attached list). The GAUD is required to publish a notice indicating this determination in a local newspaper of community-wide circulation stating the supporting documentation is available for public inspection. The FONSI may be revoked at any time if any of the criteria used for its issuance are violated.

For your convenience, we have included a suggested format for the legal advertisement. Please advertise as soon as possible to allow a 30 day comment period. Once advertised, please send a copy of the advertisement to this office for our records.

Sincerely,

Tim MacMillan, P.E.
Division of Water Quality Management
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The Following Notice Is To Be Placed In A Local Newspaper Of Community-Wide Circulation.

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The State of Maine, Department of Environmental Protection, has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact in compliance with Section C of "The State of Maine Revolving Loan Fund Rules Chapter 595", on behalf of the Greater Augusta Utility District as part of the environmental review requirements.

The proposed action will include the elimination of four Combined Sewer Overflow discharge points from Bond Brook and the Kennebec River. The project will include the replacement of the Mt. Vernon interceptor sewer (approximately 4,400 linear feet), decommissioning of two existing pump stations, installation of approximately 1,400 linear feet of inline storage conduit, a new wet weather/dry weather pump station and forcemain and miscellaneous incidental work to separate existing stormwater flow from the sanitary sewer.

A review of the proposed action by the DEP has indicated that it will not result in a significant impact to the environment. Therefore, a Finding of No Significant Impact has been issued for the project.

Further records in regard to the project are on file and are available for public review at the Greater Augusta Utility District office, 12 Williams Street, Augusta, Maine and the offices of the Department of Environmental Protection, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine. Comments relative to this decision may be submitted to the district or DEP within thirty days.

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A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name:	Greater Augusta Utility District: (GAUD) CSO Abatement Project Phase III: Bond Brook Collection System
Address:	Greater Augusta Utility District 12 Williams Street Augusta, Maine 04330
Project Location:	City of Augusta, Kennebec County
Project No.:	230173-13

B. SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Applicant's Environmental Information Document dated June 18, 2010 has been reviewed, and in accordance with EPA regulations, the findings of our environmental review are summarized below.

This project is Phase III of GAUD's Long Term CSO Control Plan (LTCP) which was updated in December 2006 and approved by the Maine DEP. The goal of the LTCP is to eliminate combined sewer overflow discharges during storm events up to a 1-year, 2-hour event (design storm).

Four CSO discharge points occur along Bond Brook and it is the goal of this project to eliminate these CSOs (identified as CSOs 11, 14, 15 and 16 on Figure 1). Overflows resulting from storms which exceed the "design storm" will be conveyed to CSO 12, which discharges downstream into the tidally influenced waters of the Kennebec River.

Various alternatives have been investigated as part of this CSO abatement project in the Bond Brook watershed in GAUD's Long Term Capital Plan (LTCP). With the exception of the "No Action" alternative, the options involved elimination of four active CSOs into Bond Brook. As part of the elimination of the CSOs and in order to collect combined sewer flows from up to a 1-year, 2-hour storm event, a storage capacity of 800,000 gallons is necessary. GAUD evaluated several routing alternatives for the proposed storage conduit including alignments along Northern Avenue, Bond Street and along the west bank of Bond Brook.

Alternatives utilizing Northern Avenue were determined as impracticable since excavation depths could exceed 60 feet. This would be extremely disruptive to local businesses and area residents, in addition to presenting significant constructability issues. The alternatives using Bond Street required potential installation within side yards of two houses to gain access. Further, the houses along Bond Street have little separation thereby making construction extremely difficult. Crossing Bond Brook would still be required under these alternatives.

Consideration to installing the conduit along the west bank of Bond Brook was given however the steep banks and the proximity of buildings indicated that there would be significant constructability issues This option also included the likelihood of encountering coal tar near the former Augusta Gas Works site.

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These alternatives have been rejected for various reasons including the significant constructability issues, in addition to the increased likelihood of encountering contaminated materials during construction. The remaining alternatives that will be considered in this review are the No Action alternative and the preferred alternative, described below of eliminating the 4 CSOs along Bond Brook.

1. Project Description

The project is comprised of three components; the replacement of the Mt Vernon Avenue Interceptor (east side of Bond Brook), the construction of an in-line storage conduit, and the addition of a combined wet weather/dry weather pumping station with associated forcemain. Also of significance to this project work is the coordination of environmental remediation activities associated with Central Maine Power's Voluntary Response Action Program (VRAP) project for the former Augusta Gas Works site.

The Mount Vernon portion of the project includes installation of approximately 4,400 feet 24-inch or 36-inch gravity lines along Bond Brook (Approximately 1,900 feet of the proposed interceptor is within 75 feet of Bond Brook). GAUD pump Stations No. 1 and No. 2 will be removed as part of the project.

The in-line storage component of the project will be constructed along the banks of Bond Brook, from Mt. Vernon Avenue Bridge to the Kennebec River (approximately 1,400 feet of precast concrete culvert: likely 10 feet x 10 feet). Approximately 1,000 feet of the proposed storage conduit will be installed within 75 feet of Bond Brook.

A new wet weather/dry weather pump station with a 12-inch forcemain will also be included as part of the proposed project. The pump station will be constructed near the Mt. Vernon bridge at the site of existing GAUD pump station No.2. The proposed forcemain will parallel the storage conduit from the pump station to CSO 14, traverse cross-country to Bond Street, progress down Bond Street, and then run roughly parallel to the Kennebec River until it connects to the West Side Interceptor (near the intersection of Commercial street and Bridge Street).

Work will be coordinated with Central Maine Power's Voluntary Response Action Program (VRAP) project for the former Augusta Gas Works site. Details of CMP's proposed activities are still pending. Any construction activities that result in the disposal of contaminated materials or waters will be conducted in accordance with MDEP regulations. All necessary permits and approvals will be obtained prior to any disposal of contaminated materials.

The project will eliminate discharges from CSOs to Bond Brook and reduce CSO impacts to the Kennebec River. This project is intended to provide compliance with the EPA's Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy and GAUD's LTCP. The current average monthly flow to the GAUD WWTF is approximately 4.0 MMGPD which is 50% of the average monthly plant capacity of 8.0 MMGPD. GAUD has confirmed its ability to provide capacity for the stored flow.

This project is not a growth related increase in flow. As a result, the project is not required to comply with Public Law 770 (Maine's "Anti-Sprawl" law).

Construction for this project is anticipated to commence in May 2011 with substantial completion by August 2013. Construction activities associated with the Bond Brook sewer crossings will be limited to January and February to minimize impacts to the stream's fish habitat and migration corridor.

Figure 2 in the Appendix provides a Project Location map.

2. Purpose and Need

The Bond Brook CSO Abatement project is part of GAUD's LTCP, approved by the Maine DEP in September 2007. The purpose of the proposed project is to eliminate discharges from CSOs to Bond Brook and to reduce CSO impacts to the Kennebec River. The project is necessary to protect the environment as well as the health and safety of the public. This project is required for compliance with the Clean Water Act.

3. Discussion of Alternatives

The two main alternatives considered for this project are No Action and connecting to the GAUD's wastewater collection and treatment system.

Alternative No. 1 – No Action: The No Action alternative will result in no improvements to Bond Brook or the Kennebec River. This alternative will retain four active CSOs and allow the combined sewer to continue to flow into Bond Brook during high flow events. This would result in continued negative impacts on water quality, increased human health risks and impairment to recreational uses of the water body. This option does not comply with EPA's Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy or GAUD's LTCP.

The No Action Alternative is not the chosen alternative and will not be analyzed further.

Alternative No. 2 – Storage Conduit, Mt. Vernon Interceptor, Pump Station and Forcemain: As part of the elimination of the CSOs and in order to collect combined sewer flows from up to a 1-year, 2-hour storm event, a storage capacity of 800,000 gallons is necessary. GAUD evaluated several routing alternatives for the proposed storage conduit including alignments along Northern Avenue, Bond Street and along the west bank of Bond Brook.

Alternatives utilizing Northern Avenue were determined as impracticable since excavation depths could exceed 60 feet. This would be extremely disruptive to local businesses and area residents, in addition to presenting significant constructability issues. The alternatives using Bond Street required potential installation within side yards of two houses to gain access. Further, the houses along Bond Street have little separation thereby making construction extremely difficult. Crossing Bond Brook would still be required under these alternatives.

Consideration to installing the conduit along the west bank of Bond Brook was given however the steep banks and the proximity of buildings indicated that there would be significant constructability issues This option also included the likelihood of encountering coal tar near the former Augusta Gas Works site.

These alternatives have been rejected for various reasons including the significant constructability issues, in addition to the increased likelihood of encountering contaminated materials during construction.

The proposed alternative includes installation of approximately 4,400 feet 24-inch or 36-inch gravity lines along Bond Brook (east of), in-line storage constructed along the banks of Bond Brook, from Mt. Vernon Avenue Bridge to the Kennebec River, and a new wet weather/dry weather pump station near Mt. Vernon bridge with a 12-inch forcemain connecting to the existing West Side Interceptor.

Alternative No. 2 is identified as the Proposed Project.

4. Impact of Proposed Project on the Environment

This section describes the impact of the proposed project, on the environment.

a. Direct Impacts

i. Air Quality

The proposed project involves elimination of four existing CSO discharges into Bond Brook, which are currently a source of odors.

During construction, some dust emissions and exhaust pollution will be inevitable. Standard Construction mitigation methods of spraying water or spreading calcium chloride will be utilized to minimize dust particulates. When construction is complete, there should be a net positive air quality impact from the project.

ii. Water Quality and Quantity

The State of Maine's Erosion and Sedimentation Control Law, Site Location of Development, Stormwater Management Law, the Natural Resource Protection Act, and the Maine Construction General Permit regulate construction activities to minimize eroded materials from discharging to water bodies. All construction activities will be required to comply with these laws through the project Contract Documents.

The project will eliminate four CSO discharges into the waters of Bond Brook and reduce overall flow into the Kennebec River thereby reducing the level of pollutants to these waters.

The project will have a short term minor adverse impact on the surface waters in the immediate area of any construction activities. Site excavation and the use of construction equipment will cause a disturbance of surface vegetation. As a result, underlying soils would then be subject to erosion. Dust caused by construction activities may also have a minor impact on adjacent surface waters. Best Management Practices (BMPs), including sedimentation and erosion control requirements, will be used to control surface water runoff during construction. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls would be specified in the project Contract Documents. Proper de-watering procedures, if needed, will also be used.

Excavation and other work near the former Augusta Gas Works site may require treatment/disposal of excavated soils or water. GAUD will obtain the necessary approvals and permits to dispose of any contaminated materials through its construction activities (through Maine DEP). GAUD will work with CMP to ensure excavated areas are not impacted further by remaining contaminated materials (i.e. through the use of clay dams). Dewatering activities may also result in groundwater that is unsuitable for surface water or groundwater disposal. It is presently anticipated that the contaminated dewatered liquids will go through a solids filtration to remove solids prior to discharge to the GAUD collection system. Free product, if any will be encountered, will be pumped to a frac tank for offsite disposal.

The project is not expected to impact groundwater quality or quantity, or impact drinking water supplies.

iii. Environmentally Sensitive Areas

Portions of the project will be located in close proximity to freshwater forested wetlands, freshwater streams and coastal waters of Bond Brook and the Kennebec River.

The project will require a total of 5 stream crossings and two freshwater forested wetland crossings. Two of the stream crossings are at small, freshwater, unnamed tributaries to Bond Brook. Three of the stream crossings occur in the tidally influenced portion of Bond Brook. All of these are defined as Wetlands of

Special Significance due to their location within the 100-year flood zone. The total anticipated wetland area to be impacted is estimated at 36,110 square feet. Following project completion, the topography of these wetlands and streams will be returned to their existing conditions. The Contract Documents developed for the project would specify the erosion and sedimentation control measuring BMPs to minimize impact to wetlands down gradient of construction activities. The project requires a Maine DEP permit under the Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA) and a permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for compliance with the Maine Programmatic General Permitting standards.

Bond Brook and the Kennebec River are tidally influenced coastal water bodies and provide valuable fish habitat, particularly they can provide a migratory channel for endangered Atlantic salmon, endangered shortnose sturgeon and Atlantic sturgeon (currently listed as a species of concern). The Kennebec River is also listed as an Essential Fish Habitat. With the removal of the specified CSOs, it is expected that the water quality will improve and enhance these natural habitats in the long term. GAUD has consulted with Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, Maine Department of Marine Resources and NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service to minimize disturbance during construction and incorporate construction techniques that protect these habitats, some of which may include limiting the time frame for construction within these listed habitats to June 1 – October 1 in an effort to 1) avoid ice jams and potential flooding issues, 2) deal with contaminated water in warmer weather, and 3) minimize most impacts to the fisheries.

The proposed project will have no impact on Prime Agricultural Land.

There are no anticipated long-term adverse environmental impacts anticipated on environmentally sensitive areas due to the proposed project.

iv. Socio-Economic Impacts

The estimated project capital cost for the proposed project is $17,000,000. GAUD will be financing all project costs with a loan through the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF). User fees to existing annual users to cover operation and maintenance expenses are not expected to be increased due to this project.

Upon completion of the Project, all facilities and infrastructure created will become property of GAUD. GAUD shall own, operate, and maintain the wastewater conveyance facilities.

The sewer upgrades and storage infrastructure will increase the wastewater capacity of the City's Northwest Quadrant. With these sewer upgrades and increased wastewater capacity, some economic growth may result, particularly facilitating the development of the Maine General Inpatient Regional Hospital campus as well as provide some development opportunity in the "Marketplace at Augusta" business development.

GAUD has contacted abutting landowners to inform them of the proposed project and to provide notice of GAUD's intent to file a NRPA permit through the Maine DEP. GAUD intends to hold a public informational meeting once construction and remediation details are finalized. Public consultation with the project area residents is expected to continue as the project proceeds.

The District anticipates that the debt service cost to complete this project will increase rates between 30% and 40% for the average user though it is too early to be certain of exact figures. Exact figures will be driven by the bid prices received. Those bids should be returned in the early winter of 2011. No low-income persons will be relocated by the proposed project.

v. Historical /Archaeological Sites and National Landmarks

The Maine Historical Preservation Commission (MHPC) has reviewed the information for the project and requested a Phase 1 archeological survey. GAUD has presently contracted with Northeast Archeological Research Center, Inc. to conduct this survey and identify any significant historic or pre-historic archeological resources within the project area. Following completion of the survey, GAUD will work with MHPC to identify and minimize any impacts to archeological resources.

vi. Endangered Species

The Department of Conservation's Natural Areas Program has reviewed the information relative to this project and found no rare, threatened or endangered botanical features documented within the project area. The proposed project is not expected adversely affect any endangered species of wildlife and plants.

Bond Brook and the Kennebec River are tidally influenced coastal water bodies and provide valuable fish habitat, particularly they can provide a migratory channel for endangered Atlantic salmon, endangered shortnose sturgeon and Atlantic sturgeon (currently listed as a species of concern). The Kennebec River is also listed as an Essential Fish Habitat. With the removal of the specified CSOs, it is expected that the water quality will improve and enhance these natural habitats in the long term. GAUD has consulted with Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, Maine Department of Marine Resources and NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service to minimize disturbance during construction and incorporate construction techniques that protect these habitats, some of which may include providing temporary culverts or other means to continuously allow stream flow during construction and limiting the time frame for construction within these listed habitats to June 1 – October 1 in an effort to 1) avoid ice jams and potential flooding issues, 2) deal with contaminated water in warmer weather, and 3) minimize most impacts to the fisheries.

vii. Coastal Zone Management and CBRS units

The proposed project area is located in and within close proximity to the coastal waters of the Kennebec River and Bond Brook. Excavation for the storage conduit may disturb a significant portion of the Bond Brook shoreline. All disturbed areas will be restored to original grades. Rip rap armoring shore protection techniques will be used along the reconstructed shores of Bond Brook to stabilize the slope. Riprap areas above mean high water and along the embankment slope will be penetrated for the installation of live stakes and/or plantings. Best Management Practices (BMPs), including sedimentation and erosion control requirements, will be used to control surface water runoff during construction. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls would be specified in the project Contract Documents. Proper de-watering procedures, if needed, will also be used.

No portions of the project will be located within any Coastal Barrier Resource System (CBRS) unit.

viii. Wild and Scenic Rivers

The project will not affect any known wild / scenic rivers within the project area.

ix. Noise

To minimize the impacts of noise during construction, the allowable work hours will be limited to 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday, unless otherwise approved. The noise generated during any blasting will be short in duration. Notice of when blasting will occur will be given to local residents prior to the commencement of blasting.

The completed project will not have any long term impacts to noise in the area.

x. Transportation

The completed project will not have any noticeable effect on traffic patterns in the area. However, because much of the project will be performed within established right-of-ways, there will be impacts on traffic during the construction phase. Traffic control measures will be required to reduce the impact on traffic flow during construction.

There are no permanent structures of any height that would affect air transportation, nor any structures proposed in navigable waters. As well, there are no above ground structures proposed for any transportation routes. These issues, if presented, are expected to be construction related only and temporary in nature. It is anticipated that the indirect impacts will be minimal in nature.

b. Indirect Impacts

This project is expected to correct environmental problems by eliminating four CSO discharges to Bond Brook. This project does not involve a growth related increase in flow. As a result, the project is not required to comply with Public Law 770 (Maine's "Anti-Sprawl" law). It is not expected to significantly impact future development of the area. Any indirect impacts are expected to be minimal in nature.

The project may however, have the following impacts on land use: 1) the removal of four CSOs to Bond Brook eliminating potential health implications of discharging sanitary waste intro this waterbody and improve the recreational land uses to the brook by improving the water quality, 2) the increased wastewater capacity of the City's Northwest Quadrant may have a long term beneficial impact on development of the Maine General Inpatient Regional hospital campus and development near the "Marketplace at Augusta" business/commercial area.

5. Mitigations of Environmental Impacts

This section describes the mitigation measures to be implemented as a result of the proposed project impacts to the environment as stated in Section 4 of this report.

The project is designed to avoid and minimize environmental impacts, where possible. GAUD has consulted with Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, Maine Department of Marine Resources and NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service to minimize disturbance during construction and incorporate construction techniques that protect these habitats, some of which may include reducing the pipe size at these crossings to minimize excavation volume, and temporary culverts or construction that will permit the stream to continuously covey flow during construction, limiting the time frame for construction within these listed habitats to June 1 – October 1 in an effort to 1) avoid ice jams and potential flooding issues, 2) deal with contaminated water in warmer weather, and 3) minimize most impacts to the fisheries.

It is the intent of this project to work with CMP and coordinate remediation activities of the former Augusta Gas Works with construction activities. CMP's final remedy is still pending however, by coordinating construction efforts, both parties will limit shoreline disturbance and reduce overall impacts to Bond Brook.

The Contract Documents for the preferred alterative will specify Maine DEP's erosion and sedimentation control BMPs. These erosion control devices will mitigate the discharge of sediment down gradient of construction activities and minimize potential impacts to water quality during construction. Following construction, appropriate surface restoration will be completed to restore disturbed areas to minimize potential future erosion into adjacent water bodies.

Socio-economic impact mitigations are not anticipated for this project. While the District anticipates that the debt service cost to complete this project will increase rates between 30% and 40% for the average user, it is too early to be certain of exact figures. No low-income persons will be relocated by the proposed project.

6. Summary of Agency and Public Consultation

a. Public Participation Efforts

GAUD has contacted abutting landowners to inform them about the project and to provide notice of GAUD's intent to file a NRPA permit through the Maine DEP (June 29, 2010). This information was also published in the Kennebec Journal on June 16, 2010. GAUD has also developed a webpage to further describe the project and to educate the public about CSOs. GAUD also plans to hold a public informational meeting (pursuant to NRPA and EA) on September 22, 2010.

b. Public Significant Objections

To date, there have been no significant public objections to the project.

c. State and Federal Agencies Comments:

MEDEP has approved the proposed project as part of GAUD's Long Term Control Plan to eliminate CSO discharges to Bond Brook and support this project in an effort to improve Bond Brook and Kennebec River water quality.

During the development of this report, the following agencies were contacted for comments:

Natural Resources Council of Maine
Maine Natural Areas Program
Maine Emergency Management Agency
Greater Augusta Utility District
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
Maine Department of Transportation, Region 2
Maine Historic Preservation Commission
Maine Department of Economic & Community Development
Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife
Maine Department of Marine Resources
Maine State Planning Office, Flood Insurance Coordinator
Kennebec Valley Council of Governments
United States Fish & Wildlife Service
NOAA Fisheries

7. Distribution list of Finding of No Significant Impact

The attached Table 1: DEP Distribution List provides the list of agencies that will receive a copy of the Environmental Assessment and the Finding of No Significant Impact.

Tim MacMillan, P.E.

9/08/2010
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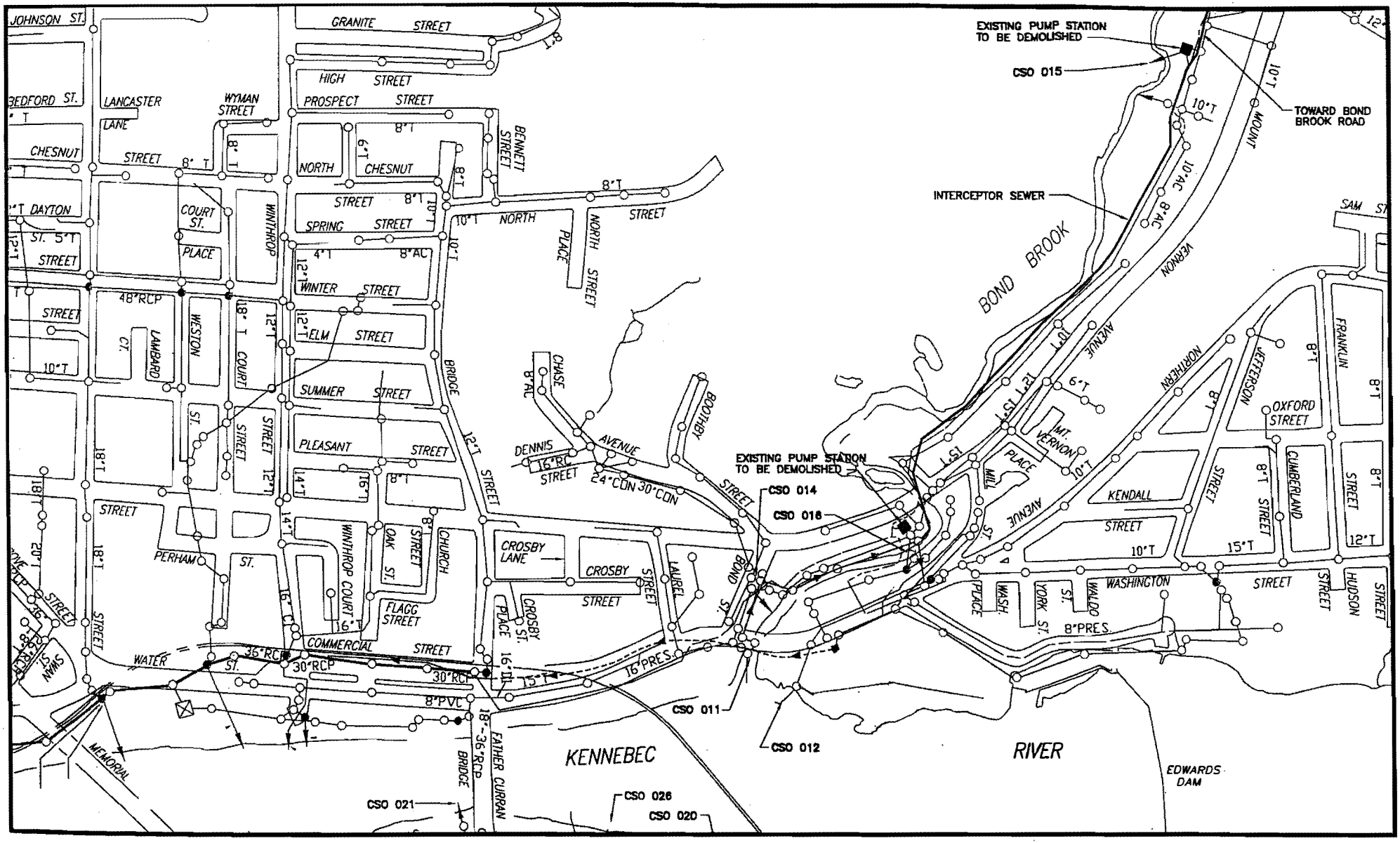
APPENDIX



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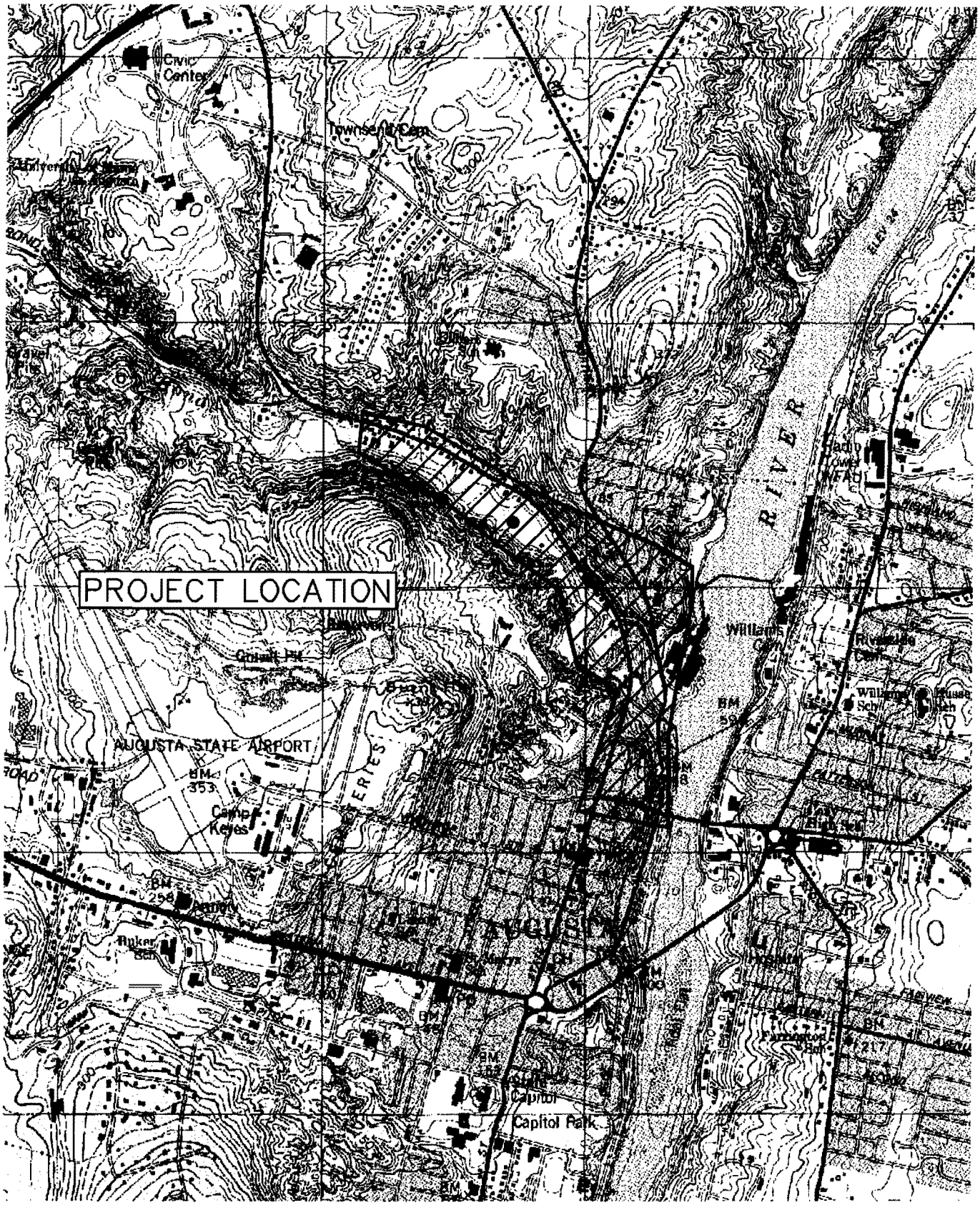

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FIG. 2