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### **Appendix A – Coordination**

Draft Environmental Assessment Village of La Grange  
Storm Sewer Improvement Project

## Scoping



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
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July 31, 2024

Planning Branch  
Planning, Programs and Project Management

Dear Recipient:

The U.S Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District (USACE) will be preparing a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document on the impacts associated with a proposed environmental infrastructure project in the Village of La Grange, Cook County, Illinois pursuant to Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992, as amended.

The Village of La Grange is working with USACE to repair and rehabilitate combined sewers to address aging and deteriorating conditions (Enclosure 1). Approximately 22,000 linear feet of 6-inch to 24-inch diameter sewer pipe would be rehabilitated through point repairs, cured-in-place pipe lining, or full replacement, largely between Ogden Avenue and 50<sup>th</sup> Street, and west of East Avenue. All work would be conducted within the roadway right-of-way.

As part of the NEPA scoping process, USACE is seeking comments or concerns regarding potential impacts from the proposed project. Enclosure 2 is a list of state and federal agencies, tribal nations, and elected officials receiving this request. If you have any comments or concerns, please provide them in writing by August 30, 2024, to Ms. Samantha Belcik, Biologist, via email at [samantha.d.belcik@usace.army.mil](mailto:samantha.d.belcik@usace.army.mil).

Sincerely,

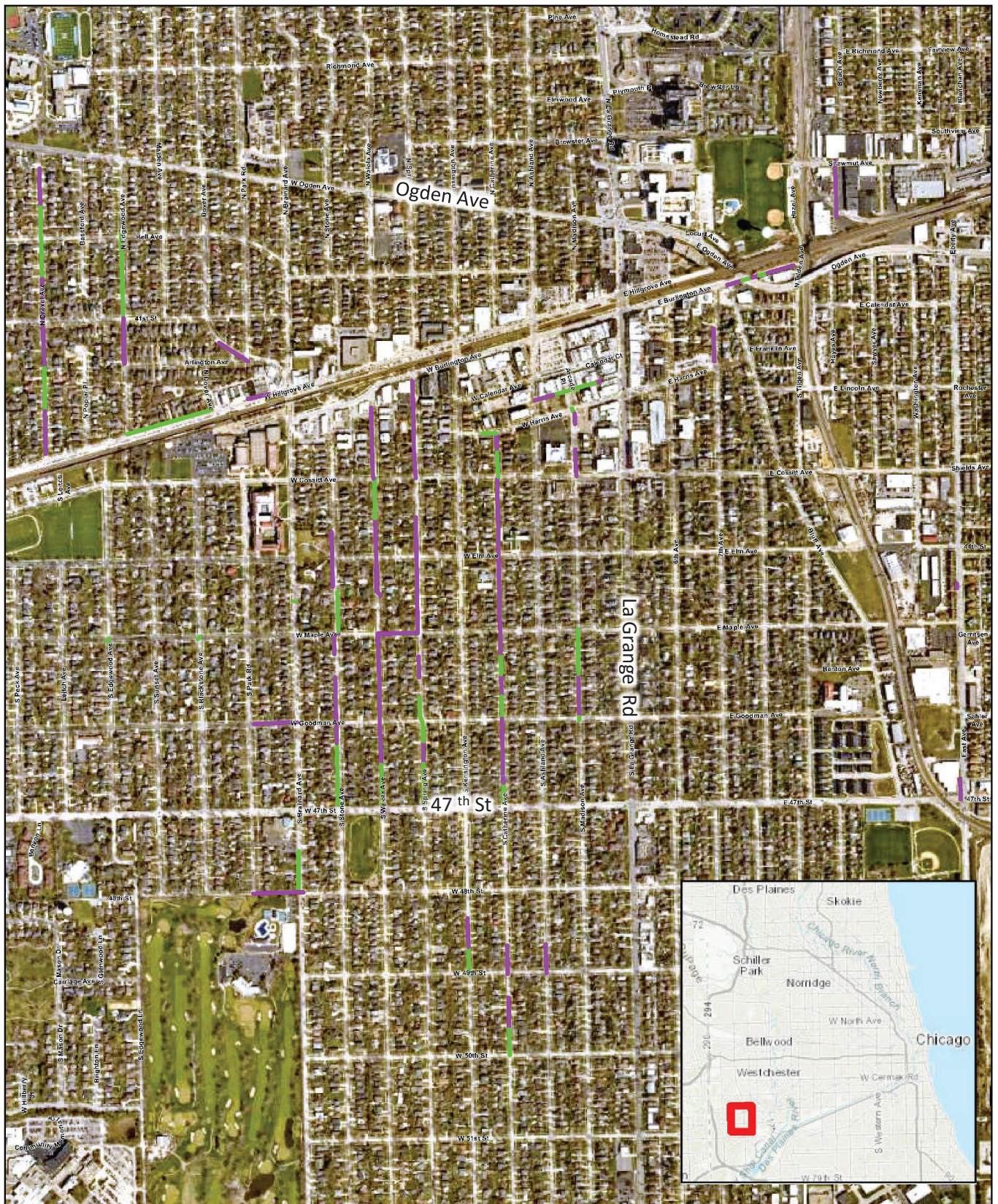
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Enclosures  
1 – Project Map  
2 – Distribution List







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**Cc:** [EPA.401.BOW](#)  
**Subject:** [Non-DoD Source] RE: NEPA Scoping Notification: Sec219 Environmental Infrastructure Project - La Grange, IL  
**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 11:39:20 AM

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Samantha,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed Section 219 environmental infrastructure project in the Village of La Grange, Cook County. The Illinois EPA has not identified any concerns with the project as proposed.

The applicant is advised that a permits to construct sanitary sewers and related facilities must be obtained by the Bureau of Water Permit Section prior to construction. Any new connections to the sanitary sewer system would require a construction permit if serving more than one building or discharging 150 gpd or more of domestic sewage or discharging any volume of "industrial" or non-domestic wastewaters. Such permit is not necessary for Cured In Place Pipe Lining, for point repairs, replacement of sewer so long as it is being replaced in-kind. If anything is to be changed from the original design (i.e. size of pipe, length of pipe, orientation of pipe, etc.) a permit would then be necessary.

In addition, if the proposed construction activities disturb one or more acres of land, permit coverage under the General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Construction Site Activity Permit will be required from this Agency.

For further information on any of the above mentioned permit programs please contact the Agency's Bureau of Water Permit Section at (217) 782-0610.

Darren R. Gove  
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**Subject:** [External] NEPA Scoping Notification: Sec219 Environmental Infrastructure Project - La Grange, IL

Greetings,

Please find the attached scoping letter and enclosures for a Section 219 environmental



infrastructure project in La Grange, IL. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out. Please also forward onto any interested parties.

Thank you,

Samantha Belcik  
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**Subject:** [Non-DoD Source] FCPC Response to Section 219 La Grange, Illinois  
**Date:** Monday, August 19, 2024 7:48:10 AM

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Dear, To whom it may concern

Pursuant to consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (1966 as amended), the Forest County Potawatomi Community, a Federally Recognized Native American Tribe, reserves the right to comment on Federal undertakings, as defined under the act.

The response is specific to the project referenced above. We have consulted our cultural resources database and archival materials. The Tribal Historic Preservation Office on behalf of Forest County Potawatomi Community would like to offer the finding of NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES AFFECTED. Should the SHPOs comment differ, the Tribe reserves the right to revisit the finding offered. In the case of inadvertent discovery of human remains and/or archaeological materials, the Tribe requests to be notified of discovery and to participate in consultation regarding treatment and recovery protocols, prior to removal, with appropriate state and federal agencies.

Your interest in protecting cultural and historic properties is appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the email or number listed below.

Respectfully,

**Luke Heider | Tribal Historic Preservation Officer | Land & Natural Resources**

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*Please note the office hours are Monday – Thursday: 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. Our office is closed on Fridays*

## Public Review





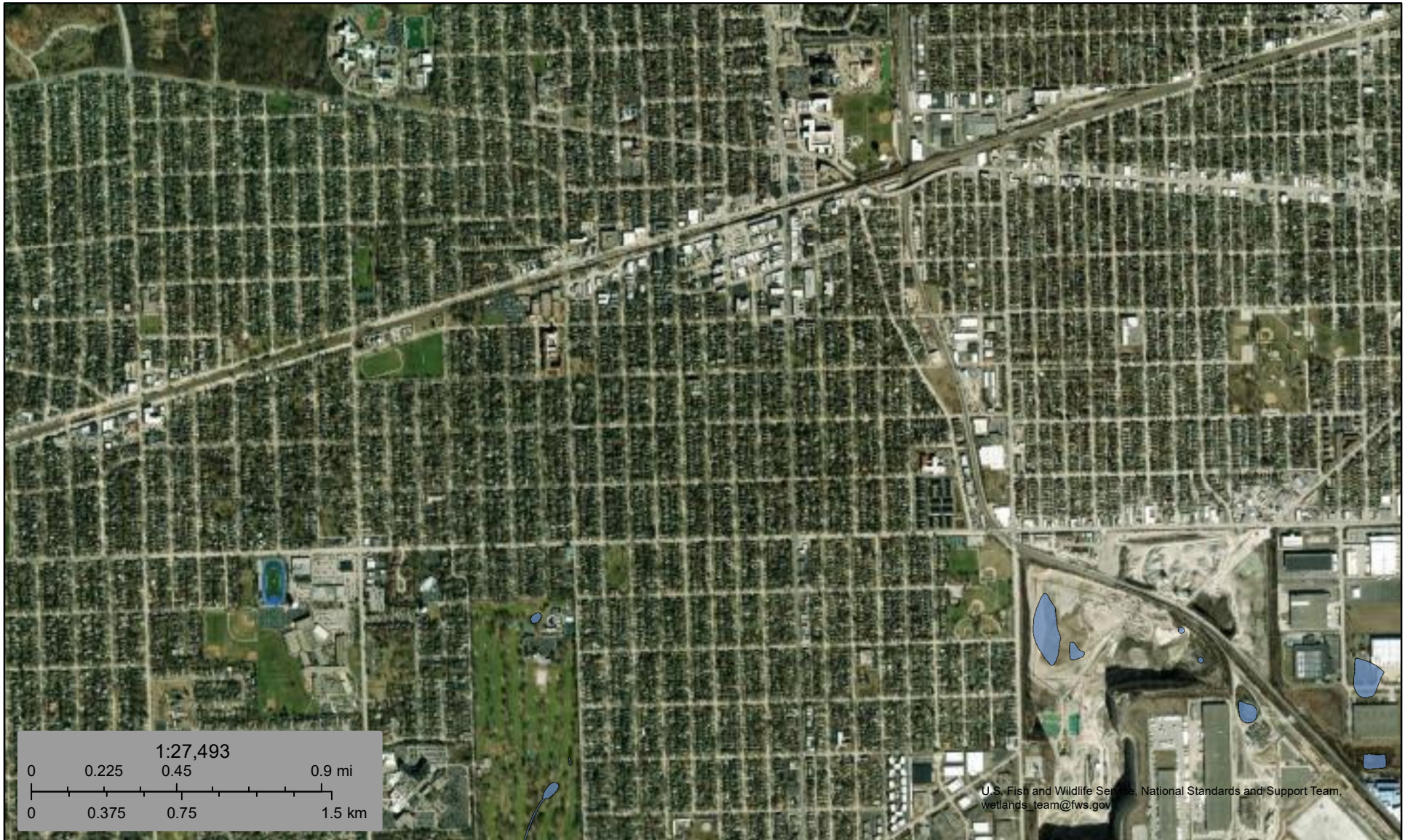
## Fish and Wildlife Coordination



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

# National Wetlands Inventory

## Section 219, La Grange, IL



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Standards and Support Team,  
wetlands\_team@fws.gov

June 25, 2025

### Wetlands

	Estuarine and Marine Deepwater		Freshwater Emergent Wetland		Lake
	Estuarine and Marine Wetland		Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland		Other
			Freshwater Pond		Riverine

This map is for general reference only. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is not responsible for the accuracy or currentness of the base data shown on this map. All wetlands related data should be used in accordance with the layer metadata found on the Wetlands Mapper web site.



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In Reply Refer To:

06/25/2025 19:48:20 UTC

Project Code: 2025-0107321

Project Name: La Grange Storm Sewer Improvement Project

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed, and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

Additionally, please note that on March 23, 2022, the Service published a proposal to reclassify the northern long-eared bat (NLEB) as endangered under the Endangered Species Act. The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia has ordered the Service to complete a new final listing



determination for the NLEB by November 2022 (Case 1:15-cv-00477, March 1, 2021). The bat, currently listed as threatened, faces extinction due to the range-wide impacts of white-nose syndrome (WNS), a deadly fungal disease affecting cave-dwelling bats across the continent. The proposed reclassification, if finalized, would remove the current 4(d) rule for the NLEB, as these rules may be applied only to threatened species. Depending on the type of effects a project has on NLEB, the change in the species' status may trigger the need to re-initiate consultation for any actions that are not completed and for which the Federal action agency retains discretion once the new listing determination becomes effective (anticipated to occur by December 30, 2022). If your project may result in incidental take of NLEB after the new listing goes into effect this will first need to be addressed in an updated consultation that includes an Incidental Take Statement. If your project may require re-initiation of consultation, please contact our office for additional guidance.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/endangered-species-consultation-handbook.pdf>

**Migratory Birds:** In addition to responsibilities to protect threatened and endangered species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), there are additional responsibilities under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) to protect native birds from project-related impacts. Any activity resulting in take of migratory birds, including eagles, is prohibited unless otherwise permitted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)). For more information regarding these Acts, see <https://www.fws.gov/program/migratory-bird-permit/what-we-do>.

It is the responsibility of the project proponent to comply with these Acts by identifying potential impacts to migratory birds and eagles within applicable NEPA documents (when there is a federal nexus) or a Bird/Eagle Conservation Plan (when there is no federal nexus). Proponents should implement conservation measures to avoid or minimize the production of project-related stressors or minimize the exposure of birds and their resources to the project-related stressors. For more information on avian stressors and recommended conservation measures, see <https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/threats-birds>.



In addition to MBTA and BGEPA, Executive Order 13186: *Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds*, obligates all Federal agencies that engage in or authorize activities that might affect migratory birds, to minimize those effects and encourage conservation measures that will improve bird populations. Executive Order 13186 provides for the protection of both migratory birds and migratory bird habitat. For information regarding the implementation of Executive Order 13186, please visit <https://www.fws.gov/partner/council-conservation-migratory-birds>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Code in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List

## OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

**Chicago Ecological Service Field Office**

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## PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Code: 2025-0107321  
Project Name: La Grange Storm Sewer Improvement Project  
Project Type: Stormwater Discharge  
Project Description: Rehabilitating approximately 18,000 linear feet of 6-inch to 24-inch diameter storm sewer pipe through the combination of open cut replacement and cured-in-place pipe methods throughout the project area. Work would occur in right-of-way and included pavement restoration where needed.

### Project Location:

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@41.80769285,-87.87429766157271,14z>



Counties: Cook County, Illinois

## ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPECIES

There is a total of 8 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species. Note that 1 of these species should be considered only under certain conditions.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries<sup>1</sup>, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

## MAMMALS

NAME	STATUS
Tricolored Bat <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10515">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10515</a>	Proposed Endangered

## BIRDS

NAME	STATUS
Rufa Red Knot <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i> There is <b>proposed</b> critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864</a>	Threatened
Whooping Crane <i>Grus americana</i> Population: U.S.A. (AL, AR, CO, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KY, LA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NC, NM, OH, SC, TN, UT, VA, WI, WV, western half of WY) No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/758">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/758</a>	Experimental Population, Non- Essential

## REPTILES

NAME	STATUS
Eastern Massasauga (=rattlesnake) <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2202">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2202</a>	Threatened

## INSECTS

NAME	STATUS
Hine's Emerald Dragonfly <i>Somatochlora hineana</i> There is <b>final</b> critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7877">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7877</a>	Endangered
Monarch Butterfly <i>Danaus plexippus</i> There is <b>proposed</b> critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743</a>	Proposed Threatened

## FLOWERING PLANTS

NAME	STATUS
Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid <i>Platanthera leucophaea</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. This species only needs to be considered under the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow the guidance provided at <a href="https://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/section7/s7process/plants/epfos7guide.html">https://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/section7/s7process/plants/epfos7guide.html</a></li> </ul> Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/601">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/601</a>	Threatened



NAME	STATUS
Leafy Prairie-clover <i>Dalea foliosa</i> Population: No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5498">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5498</a>	Endangered

## CRITICAL HABITATS

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO DETERMINE IF YOUR PROJECT(S) MAY HAVE EFFECTS ON ALL ABOVE LISTED SPECIES.

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June 10, 2025

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**RE: La Grange Storm Sewer Improvement Project**  
**Project Number(s): 2514052**  
**County: Cook**

Dear Applicant:

This letter is in reference to the project you recently submitted for consultation. The natural resource review provided by EcoCAT identified protected resources that may be in the vicinity of the proposed action. The Department has evaluated this information and concluded that adverse effects are unlikely. Therefore, consultation under 17 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1075 is terminated.

However, the Department recommends the following conservation measures:

If tree clearing is necessary, the Department recommends removing trees between November 1st and March 31st to avoid impacts to bats and birds.

This consultation is valid for two years unless new information becomes available that was not previously considered; the proposed action is modified; or additional species, essential habitat, or Natural Areas are identified in the vicinity. If the project has not been implemented within two years of the date of this letter, or any of the above listed conditions develop, a new consultation is necessary.

The natural resource review reflects the information existing in the Illinois Natural Heritage Database at the time of the project submittal, and should not be regarded as a final statement on the site being considered, nor should it be a substitute for detailed site surveys or field surveys required for environmental assessments. If additional protected resources are encountered during the project's implementation, you must comply with the applicable statutes and regulations. Also, note that termination does not imply IDNR's authorization or endorsement of the proposed action.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this review.

*Alex Davis*

Alex Davis  
Division of Ecosystems and Environment  
217-785-5500

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*Contact:* Samantha Belcik  
*Address:* 231 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 1500  
Chicago, IL 60604  
  
*Project:* La Grange Storm Sewer Improvement Project  
*Address:* 41.808867, -87.875597, La Grange

*IDNR Project Number:* 2514052  
*Date:* 06/09/2025

*Description:* Rehabilitating approximately 18,000 linear feet of 6-inch to 24-inch diameter storm sewer pipe through the combination of open cut replacement and cured-inplace pipe methods throughout the project area. Work would occur in right-of-way and included pavement restoration where needed.

### Natural Resource Review Results

The Illinois Natural Heritage Database shows the following protected resources may be in the vicinity of the project location:

Salt Creek Woods INAI Site  
Salt Creek Woods Nature Preserve

**An IDNR staff member will evaluate this information and contact you to request additional information or to terminate consultation if adverse effects are unlikely.**

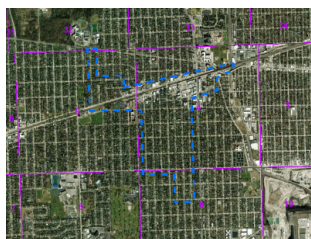
#### Location

The applicant is responsible for the accuracy of the location submitted for the project.

*County:* Cook

*Township, Range, Section:*

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**IL Department of Natural Resources**  
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Environmental & Cultural Resources Section  
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SUBJECT: Village of La Grange Sewer Rehabilitation Project, Cook County, Illinois

Ms. Natalie Phelps Finnie  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
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One Old State Capitol Plaza  
Springfield, IL 62701

Dear Ms. Phelps Finnie:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District (USACE) proposes to repair storm sewers (undertaking) in the Village of La Grange, Cook County, Illinois (Figure 1). The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate deteriorated storm sewer pipes. As part of our review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, USACE has determined that the proposed federal action is an undertaking that has the potential to affect historic properties. This letter provides a brief project description, documents the area of potential effect (APE), summarizes efforts to identify historic properties, and provides agency findings as provided at 36 C.F.R. § 800.4. We request your agreement with our finding that there will be no adverse effect to historic properties by the proposed undertaking.

The proposed project involves the repair of approximately 18,000 linear feet of 6-inch to 24-inch diameter storm sewer line through a combination of open cut replacement (approximately 213 linear feet) and cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP) lining methods (approximately 17,750 linear feet). For the open cut repairs, the maximum dimensions of ground disturbance would be 3 feet wide and 10 feet deep. Ground disturbance would take place at 9 locations within the previously disturbed soil of the existing road rights-of-way and one public parking lot. All CIPP lining would be conducted via existing manholes at 12 locations and no ground disturbance would occur in these areas (Figure 2, Enclosure 1).

The undertaking is located in Section 32, Township 39 north, Range 12 east and Sections 3-5 and 8-10, Township 38 north, Range 12 east in Cook County, Illinois (Figure 3). The APE for the undertaking encompasses the project area, including staging and access routes, and totals approximately 1316 acres. USACE believes that the APE is sufficient to identify and consider potential effects of the proposed project.

USACE has conducted a records search and literature review of the project APE on the Illinois Inventory of Archaeological Sites and the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The literature review and records search revealed that there are no previously known archaeological sites within or adjacent to the project APE. The project APE is located with the La Grange Village Historic District (NRHP #79000834) which includes approximately 1,000 primarily residential structures. The undertaking would be limited to the previously disturbed soil of the road rights-of-way and a public parking lot. None of the structures contributing to the historic district would be physically impacted. Upon completion of the sewer rehabilitation, the roads and parking lot would be returned to their original appearance and the overall visual appearance of the historic district would not change (Figure 4).

USACE is making a good faith effort to gather information from affected Tribes identified pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.3(f). We have notified the Citizen Potawatomi of Oklahoma, the Forest County Potawatomi Community of Wisconsin, the Hannahville Indian Community of Michigan, the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians of Michigan, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, and the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation to assist in identifying properties which may be of religious and cultural significance.

USACE has made a reasonable and good faith effort to identify historic properties that may be affected by this undertaking. While the project APE intersects with the La Grange Village Historic District, the undertaking is limited to road rights-of-way and public a parking lot. Consequently, there would be no physical or visual impact on the overall historic district nor the individual structures that contribute to the district. As the project APE is entirely within disturbed soil, this precludes the presence of any intact archaeological deposits. For this reason and based on the results of the archival research, USACE has determined that there would be no adverse effect to historic properties by the proposed undertaking.

USACE requests your review and agreement with our finding of No Adverse Effect to Historic Properties within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions or desire additional information, please contact the project archaeologist, Ms. Alexis Jordan, at alexis.m.jordan@usace.army.mil or (312) 846-5445.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Hoxsie".

Alex Hoxsie  
Chief, Environmental & Cultural Resources  
Planning Branch

Enclosures: Enclosure 1- LaGrange \_ 2025\_Plan Set

Figure 1: Project Vicinity Map

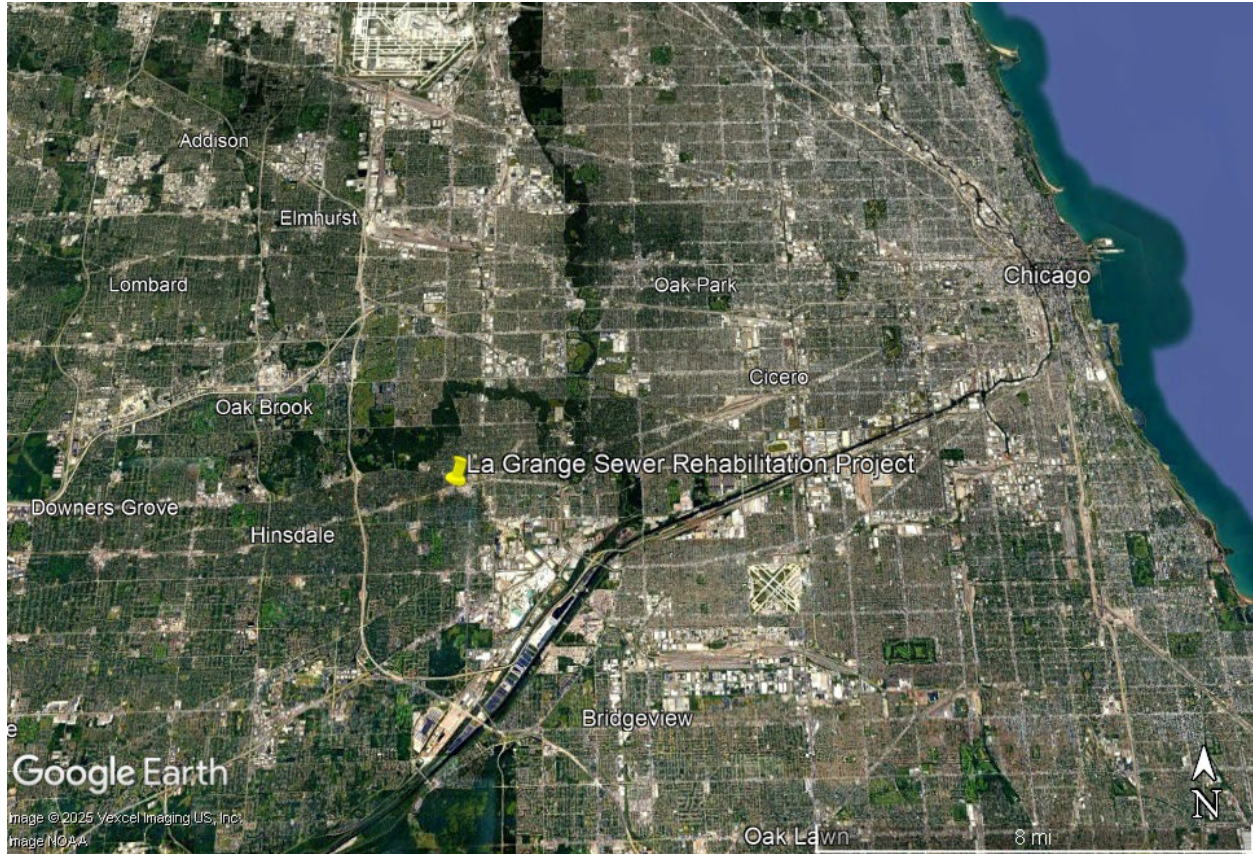




Figure 2: Project Location

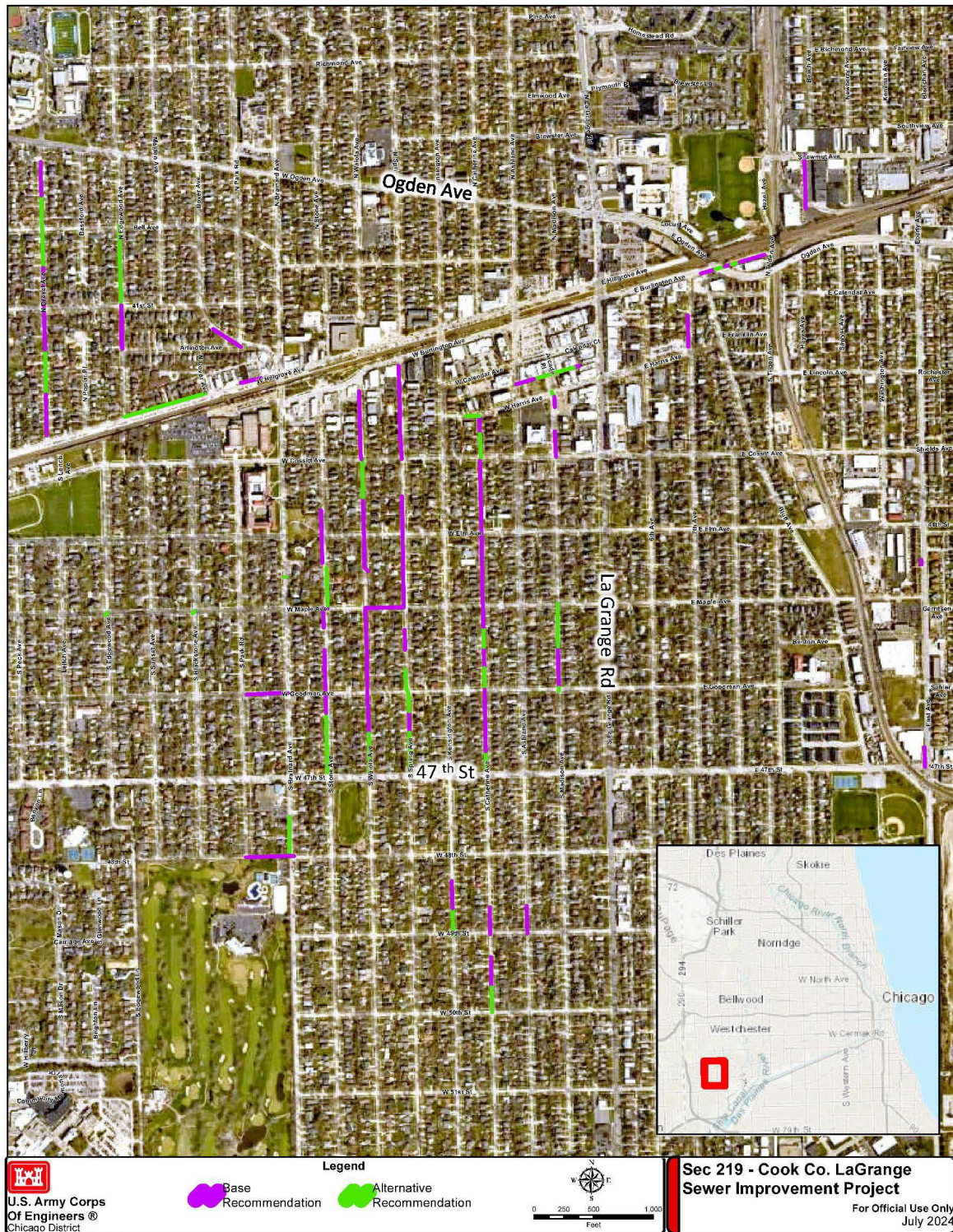
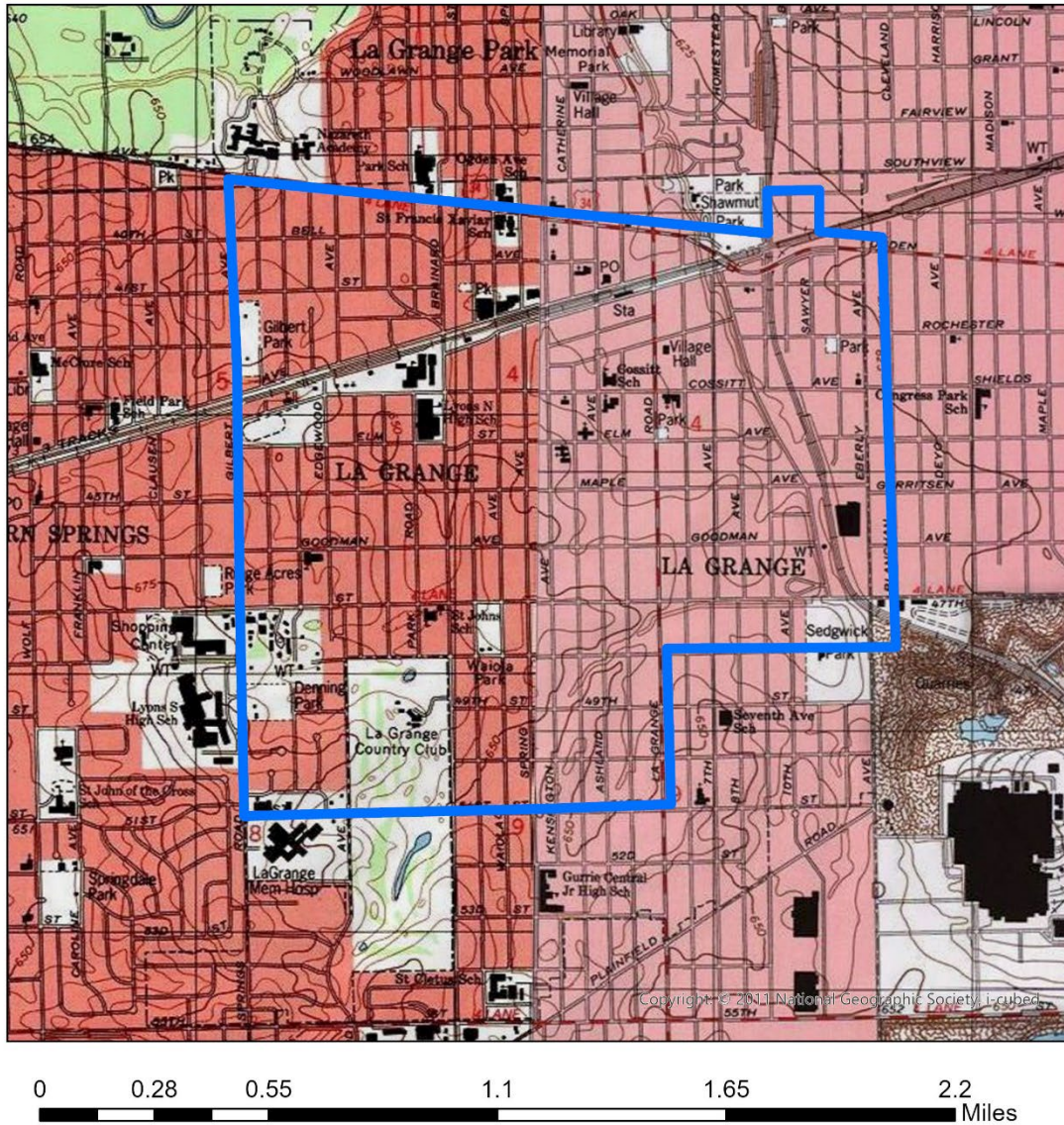




Figure 3: Project APE

### La Grange Sewer Rehabilitation Project APE



#### Legend

 APE

