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Re: DWEHD Order No. AACO-399-07-2019

TMF Deadline Extension Request

Dear Mr. Bolt,

The City of Benton Harbor is requesting a deadline extension for completion of its Technical, Management and Financial (TMF) Capacity report. The current deadline is August 3, 2022. The extension is required to coordinate the content and recommendations of the on-going Water System Alternative Analysis (AA) and the TMF Capacity report.

Significant progress has been made toward the completion of the Alternative Analysis. However, several of the water system operating options requires additional technical, staffing and financial input from the TMF report team and other sources. Once this information is received and the most feasible and cost-effective alternative is selected through the AA study, the TMF report can be completed based on the selected alternative.

The AA report is scheduled to be completed on October 10, 2022. It is assumed that the public comment period and approval of this report and the selected alternative will take approximately 90 days. Once the preferred alternative is approved, 60 days will be required to complete the TMF Capacity report based on the selected alternative. Therefore, we are requesting a deadline extension for the TMF Capacity to March 10, 2023.

Thank you for your positive considerations based on the above delivery predictions that are vital to this successful completion of the product. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ellis Mitchell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Ellis Mitchell
City Manager