

intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Rescinding the Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the GreenThumb Gardens Water Supply Project Watershed Plan, New York, NY for Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond Counties

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice; rescission.

SUMMARY: NRCS, in cooperation with the New York City (NYC) Parks and Recreation Department GreenThumb Network, is issuing this notice to advise Federal, State and local government agencies and the public that USDA NRCS is rescinding the Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the GreenThumb Gardens Water Supply Project Watershed Plan which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2024. NRCS conducted an Environmental Evaluation (EE) and determined that the action has no reasonably foreseeable significant effect, and the action is identified within scope of a Categorical Exclusion (CE). NRCS is rescinding the NOI because these findings will satisfy the NEPA requirements for this project and an EIS is no longer necessary.

DATES: The NOI to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2024 (FR Doc. 2024–08725), is rescinded as of August 13, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony Capraro, USDA NRCS–NY Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations—Southeast Area, telephone: (607) 865–7090, ext. 283; email: anthony.capraro@usda.gov.

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voice and text telephone users can initiate this call from any telephone).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NRCS, in cooperation with the NYC Parks and Recreation Department GreenThumb Network, is issuing this notice to advise the public that USDA NRCS will not be preparing an EIS for the GreenThumb Gardens Water Supply Project watershed plan located within the Five Borough Watershed in New York City, New York. NRCS New York State Office issued the NOI to prepare an EIS in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2024, at 89 FR 31130.

The primary purpose of the watershed plan is to supply dependable and accessible water to the existing GreenThumb Community Gardens that produce food. Watershed planning is authorized under the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (Pub. L. 83–566), as amended, and the Flood Control Act of 1944 (Pub. L. 78–534). The sponsoring local organization is the NYC Parks and Recreation Department GreenThumb Network, which supports the creation and maintenance of volunteer led community gardens within the NYC Parks and Recreation Department jurisdiction.

The GreenThumb Gardens Water Supply Project is essential for the establishment of a secure and reliable on-site agricultural water supply to address deficiencies in the existing water delivery systems to these food producing gardens. Improving on-site water infrastructure within the existing community gardens would strengthen the local food system, improve efficiency, contribute to the conservation and enhancement of natural resources, and lower barriers to food production. This action would implement water conservation activities on existing agricultural lands and would address solutions to insufficient water supply and quality for the community gardens. Based on further review of the project, an EE was conducted that indicates the action has no reasonably foreseeable significant effect, and the proposed action is within scope of CE found at 7 CFR 1b.4 (d)(23)(USDA–23d–NRCS): “Implementing water conservation activities on existing agricultural lands, such as minor irrigation land leveling, irrigation water conveyance (pipelines), irrigation water control structures, and various management practices.”

Any public comment received from the original NOI and scoping period will be considered during Watershed Plan development. Questions concerning this notice of rescission should be directed

to USDA NRCS through the contact provided above.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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Foreign-Trade Zone 12—McAllen, Texas; Application for Reorganization (Expansion of Service Area) Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the McAllen Foreign Trade Zone Inc., grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 12, requesting authority to reorganize the zone to expand its service area under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.2(c)). The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new subzones or “usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the FTZ Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a zone. The application was submitted pursuant to the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), and the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on August 8, 2025.

FTZ 12 was approved by the FTZ Board on October 23, 1970 (Board Order 84, 35 FR 16962, November 3, 1970) and reorganized under the ASF on August 11, 2017 (Board Order 2036, 82 FR 39560, August 21, 2017). The zone currently has a service area that includes Hidalgo County, Texas.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the service area of the zone to include Willacy County, as described in the application. If approved, the grantee would be able to serve sites throughout the expanded service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The application indicates that the proposed expanded service area is adjacent to the Hidalgo Customs and Border Protection Port of Entry.

In accordance with the FTZ Board’s regulations, Camille Evans of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case