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Mr. Andrew Clinger  
NEVADA STATE CLEARINGHOUSE  
209 East Musser, Room 200  
Carson City, Nevada 89710

**RE: WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS  
GABBS, NYE COUNTY NEVADA**

Mr. Clinger;

In 2008, a letter was provided to the Bureau regarding a proposed water system improvement to the Town of Gabbs' municipal potable water system in Nye County. At that time, groundwater exploration was ongoing in search of a water supply that met the drinking water standards since the primary source of water supply to the town is currently out of compliance with fluoride. Since that time, a potential groundwater source of supply has been identified. Pursuant with the National Environmental Policy Act for the USDA, Rural Utilities Service, an environmental review process is required to assess any potential environmental impacts the proposed improvements may have on the affected areas.

A proposed alternative to the groundwater supply project that was discussed in the 2008 letter included a water treatment plant located at the existing town non-potable well. For the purposes of this letter request, the environmental impacts associated with the treatment alternative have already been defined in previous correspondence; therefore, only those impacts associated with the new groundwater supply should be identified. Attached herewith are exhibits presenting the proposed project's area of potential effect from construction activities for the new well, groundwater pumping station and water main project.

A narrative of the description of the anticipated work associated with the groundwater well and pumping station is provided on the following page. Please note that the description of work described in the following narrative and as presented in the attached exhibits are very preliminary.

PROJECT - GROUNDWATER WELL, PUMPING STATION AND WATER MAIN

1. Drill and construct one groundwater well on Bureau of Land Management property approximately 2 ½ miles north of the town of Gabbs and west of State Route 361 on parcel 001-161-02, Section 16, Township 12 North, Range 36 East, in Nye County, Nevada;
2. Construct one, 0.432 MGD municipal pumping station with an approximate 16'x 24' wood frame building including valving, piping, metering, chemical feed system, lighting, HVAC, stand-by power, telemetry and site work, all enclosed within perimeter security fencing on approximately 1 acre of land.
3. Install approximately 2,000 feet of 8-inch diameter PVC transmission main from the wellhead to a tie-in to the existing town municipal well transmission main located on the east side of State Route 361. The new transmission main will require a boring under State Route 361 to make the connection to the existing transmission main. There is commercial power available on-site. The pipeline route will be within an existing Public Utility Easement that follows the existing overhead power line east to State Route 361 and the tie-in location.

Day Engineering is requesting information from your office relating to potential environmental impacts to designated areas from the proposed project. In addition, please provide any recommendations you may have to mitigate or avoid these impacts as well as any information regarding additional review requirements that your agency may have.

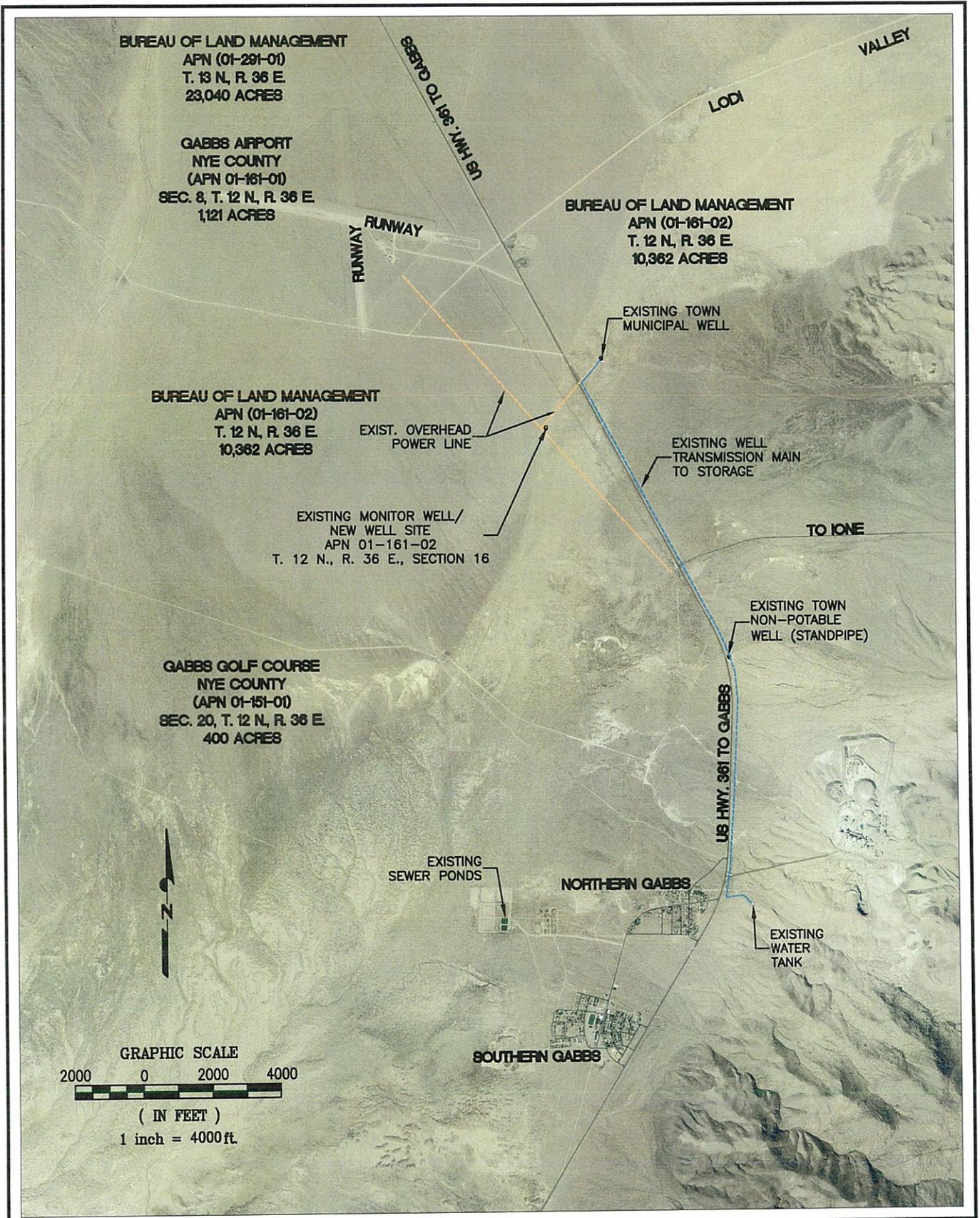
Day Engineering appreciates your consideration and timely response. If you require additional information or would like to discuss the project, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (775) 348-8624.

Sincerely,  
DAY ENGINEERING



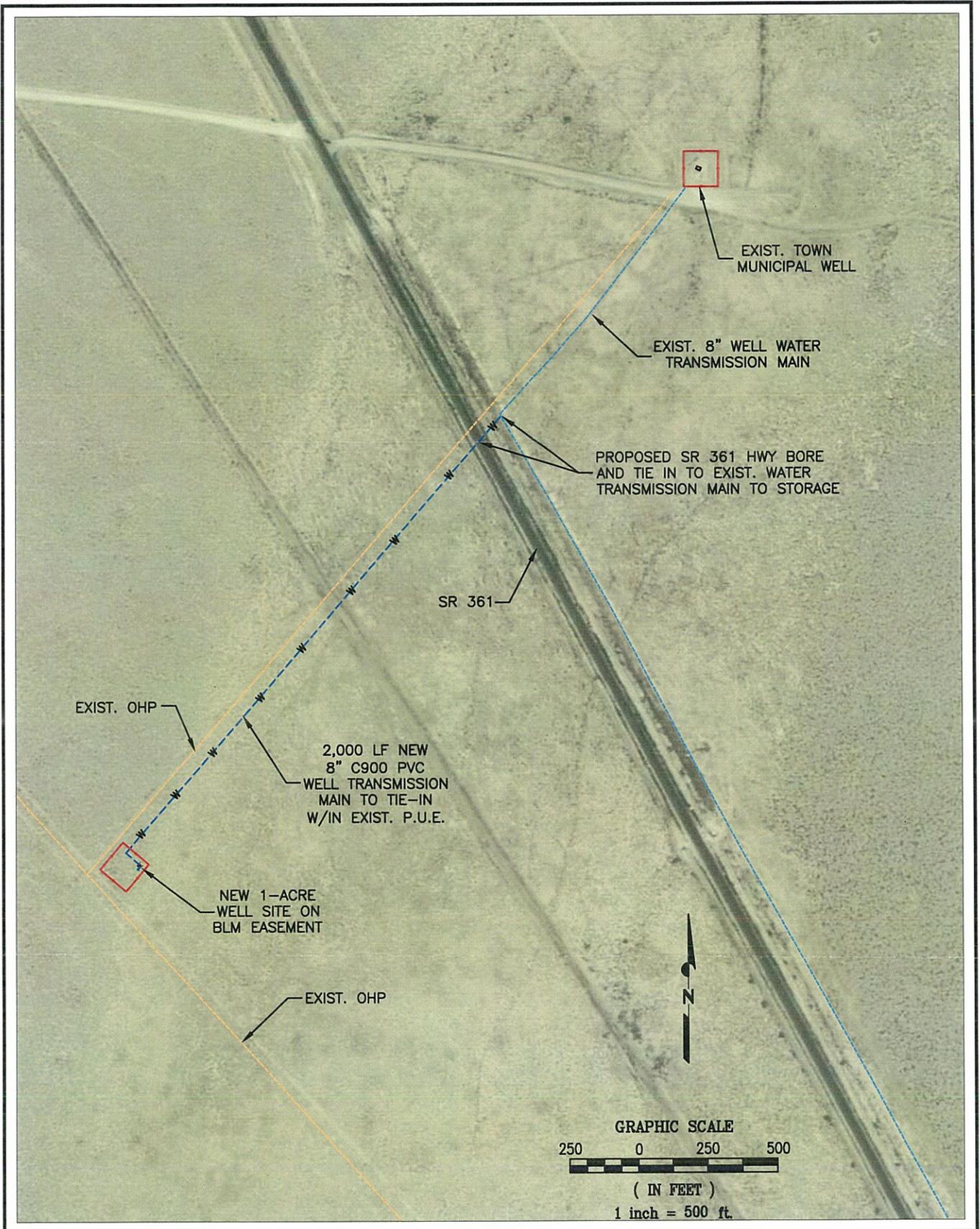
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Enclosures



**TOWN OF GABBS**  
 PROPOSED NEW WELL LOCATION MAP





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 PROPOSED NEW WELL SITE MAP