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News Update – October 13, 2018

The Jackson County Utility Authority (JCUA) is pleased to announce that our multi-year, multi-project effort known as "Green-Up Jackson County" is under way. On Friday, October 12, 2018, the JCUA and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Mobile District) officially began the conceptual design of the Eastern Jackson County Consolidated Water Reclamation Facility (EJCCWRF). This major component of "Project Green-Up Jackson County" will meet wastewater and industrial process water needs of our community while remaining focused on protecting and managing our natural resources. This single new facility is planned to treat 20 to 30 million gallons of wastewater per day for reuse as process and industrial water and will replace two of our existing facilities that currently treat wastewater for discharge only. Additionally, much of the design effort for this facility will be suitable for duplication as future components of "Green-Up Jackson County" at our two other centralized treatment facilities in Jackson County.

When completed this project will also reduce or eliminate the need to draw water from the Pascagoula River that presently supplies industrial water in East Jackson County.

The conceptual design effort of the EJCCWRF will develop the 30% design package and will have several stakeholder and community information and comment opportunities over the next 18 months. Please watch for future updates and communications on this project. This effort is valued at \$4,000,000 and is 75% grant funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and 25% match funded by the Jackson County Utility Authority.

The Jackson County Utility Authority directly employs over 90 local residents and has invested more than \$180,000,000 in the local community with new and improved infrastructure in the last ten years. The JCUA owns and operates water, wastewater, laboratory, and land application facilities throughout Jackson County serving the water, wastewater, and environmental needs of our community. The JCUA is an equal opportunity utility and service provider.

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