

## United States Department of Agriculture

September 6, 2022

Mr. Karl M Banks, District 4 Madison County Board of Supervisors 125 West North Street P.O. Box 608 Canton, MS 39046

Dear Mr. Banks,

This letter is to inform you that your request for federal watershed program assistance through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) has been approved. The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has awarded funds for the planning, designing, and construction for the Upper Bear Creek Watershed project in Madison County.

The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to building back better, starting with our infrastructure. This historic Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides critical support to expand investments in local communities through the NRCS watershed infrastructure. These investments protect entire communities and those impacted by floods, natural disasters, and other watershed-related resource concerns.

A planning, designing, and construction report will be prepared by the State Conservationist (STC) and submitted to the Sponsor Lead Organization. The report summarizes the results of the projected planning needed. Based on the findings, a plan will be developed.

The plan should include the extent and magnitude of problems, goals, alternatives for solving the issues identified, the estimated cost, and any effects of proposed alternatives.

We look forward to partnering with you to complete this valuable work and address water resource concerns in your community.

Sincerely,

Jason Keenan

Acting, State Conservationist

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