



# MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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December 20, 2023  
Ricky Sylestine, Chairperson  
Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas  
571 State Park Road 56  
Livingston, TX 77351

Re: Madison County  
Community Development Block Grant Project

Dear Chairperson Sylestine,

Madison County will be considered for funding to assist West Madison Utility District restore the existing infrastructure to modern standards and decrease inflow and infiltration which will protect the area from pollution caused by overflow and blockage on the wastewater system. Madison County has assumed environmental review responsibilities for the project, including tribal consultation related to historic properties. Historic properties include archeological sites, burial grounds, sacred landscapes or features, ceremonial areas, traditional cultural places and landscapes, plant and animal communities, and buildings and structures with significant tribal association.

Please review the enclosed information to help identify historic properties in the project area that may have religious and cultural significance to your tribe, and if such properties exist, to help assess how the project might affect them. If the project might have an adverse effect, we would like to discuss possible ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate potential adverse effects.

To meet project timeframes, if you would like to be a consulting party on this project, can you please let us know of your interest within 30 days? If you have any initial concerns with impacts of the project on religious or cultural properties, can you please note them in your response?

We value your assistance and look forward to consulting further if there are historic properties of religious and cultural significance to your tribe that may be affected by this project. Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Greg Higginbotham, County Administrator, at 601-342-9273 or [greg@madison-co.com](mailto:greg@madison-co.com). Thank you for your assistance with this project.

Sincerely,

Gerald Steen  
Board President  
Madison County Board of Supervisors

CC: Bryant Celestine, THPO