



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Technical Review and Funding Committee was held **Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, beginning at 9:30 a.m.** in the Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Public Hearing Room at 1009 Bullitt Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

**Voting Members that were present:**

**Quorum** A quorum was constituted of the following members present:

**Chair** Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority

**Voting Members in person:**

Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission

Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Fund

Meredith Vance, WV Bureau of Public Health

Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection

**Voting Members via phone:**

Steven Webb, WV Economic Development Authority

**Voting Members not present:**

**Invitees present or via phone:**

A. Todd Johnston, Governor's Designee, Deputy Chief of Staff Governor's Office

Jason Billups, WV DEP

Patrick Murphy, WBPH

Steve Collins, USDA

Roger Earle, WV DEP/AML

**Invitees not present:**

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority

Ryan Halsey, CDBG

James Bush, WV ARC

Leslie Stone Smith, US ACE

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

April Evers, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Veronica Lewis, WV Water Development Authority

Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly

Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly

Jacob Dempsey, Electronic Specialty

Andy McCollum, Electronic Specialty

Steve Buchanan, CEC

A.C. Wiethe, Bel-O-Mar Regional Council

Zach Blazer, Bel-O-Mar Regional Council  
Robert Riggs, City of Pennsboro  
Michael Hinkle, Town of Ellenboro  
Steve Kiggins, Town of Ellenboro  
Micky Walters, Town of Ellenboro  
Matt Shelton, NREI  
Eric Hartwell, NREI  
Dan Ferrell, The Thrasher Group  
Mark Sankoff, Potesta  
Nathan Adkins, CEC  
Jonathan Carpenter, The Thrasher Group  
Jesse Alden, The Thrasher Group  
Cassie Lawson, Region 4 PDC  
Fred Hypes, The Thrasher Group  
Terry Moran, RIC

**Others in attendance by phone:**

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Anthony Brown, The Thrasher Group  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Assoc.  
John Stafford, Thompson & Litton

**Call to Order** Chair Maire Prezioso called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes** Chair Marie Prezioso asked for approval of the draft minutes of **December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. Jonathan Fowler moved for approval and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**SEWER PROJECTS**

**Belle, Town of-Kanawha Ave line repl (New application)**

**2024S-2635**

Jason Billups described the request, and the application was technically feasible. An engineering fee variance will be required.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Belle pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,000,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Bluefield, City of-Midway sys imprvs (Cost & funding chg)**

**2018S-1739**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Bluefield pursue a \$1,000,000 HUD CDBG, a \$1,330,000 CWSRF Loan (TBD), a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,330,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Franklin, Town of-WWTP imprvs (Tbld application until Jan 28th)**

**2024S-2579**

Jason Billups described the request, and the application was technically feasible. No engineering fee variance will be required.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Franklin pursue a \$1,707,000 CWSRF loan (0.25%, 38 yrs, 0.25% AF), \$1,500,000 CWSRF DF loan, a \$2,500,000 CDS, a \$1,200,000 US ACE, \$1,000,000 CDBG, a \$1,500,000 ARC, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$10,407,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Nitro, City of-Walker St storm sewer imprvs (New application) 2024SS-2548**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Nitro pursue a \$2,888,000 Congressionally Directed Grant, a \$325,000 City of Nitro contribution, an \$800,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$722,000 CDS Match for an estimated project cost of \$4,735,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Salt Rock Sewer PSD-UV upgrade (Cost & funding change) 2023S-2445**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Salt Rock Sewer PSD pursue a \$1,000,000 CWSRF PF, a \$500,000 CWSRF Green Funding Forgiveness loan, a \$500,000 IJDC grant, and a \$440,000 WDA EEGF for a total estimated project cost of \$2,440,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**West Union, Town of-WWTP repl & LS imprvs (Change in scope) 2021S-2045**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Union's request to advertise for bids contingent upon receiving a fee simple acquisition prior to awarding the work for a new pump station (Contract 1) at the North Central Regional Jail be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**WATER PROJECTS**

**Alderson, Town of-Sys imprvs & ext, 65 cust (Cost & funding change) 2019W-1833**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Alderson pursue a \$1,533,610 WDA EEGF, a \$5,623,890 IJDC Loan (1%, 40 yrs), a \$925,000 USACE Grant, a \$2,000,000 Congressionally Directed Spending, an \$875,000 IJDC Grant, a \$125,000 IJDC Soft Cost Grant, and a \$500,000 State of WV CDS Match for an estimated project cost of \$11,582,500.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The

Motion passed.

**Birch River PSD-Mill Ck 2 ext, 24 cust (New application) 2024W-2639**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Birch River PSD pursue a \$1,125,000 USCOE grant and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,625,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Ellenboro, Town of-Highland Rdg ext, 22 cust (Tbld application until Jan 28th) 2024W-2632**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the application for Ellenboro be tabled until next month's meeting to allow time to determine how compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule requirements will be met and how the applicant will ensure compliance with the regulatory agencies.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Greenbrier PSD 2-Smoot ext, 85 cust (New application) 2024W-2640**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Greenbrier PSD 2 pursue a \$2,100,000 DWTRF loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$2,000,000 US ACE grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,600,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pennsboro, City of-Highlands/Bonds Ck ext, 70 cust (Tbld application until Jan 28th) 2024W-2630**

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the application of the City of Pennsboro be tabled until next month's meeting to allow time to determine how compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule requirements will be met and how the applicant will ensure compliance with the regulatory agencies.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Wheeling, City of- (Tbld appl until Jan 28th) 2024W-2502**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Wheeling pursue a \$3,171,259 DWTRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF).

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Wheeling, City of – Line repl (Tbld appl until Jan 28th) 2024W-2503**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Wheeling pursue a \$6,211,158 DWTRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF).

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Wheeling, City of-Boggs Hill line & booster imprvs (Tbld appl until Jan 28th)** **2024W-2504**  
Jason Billups described the request and the application was technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Wheeling pursue a \$7,346,844 DWTRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF).

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

#### **BINDING COMMITMENT REQUESTS/BID OVERRUNS**

**Bluewell PSD-Breach reservoirs (Cost & funding chg; bid overrun)** **2022W-2167**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Bluewell PSD receive up to a \$236,000 IJDC (\$100,000 funding change & \$136,000 bid overrun) grant binding commitment contingent upon receiving additional funding and/or value engineering to have a fully funded project.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Cameron, City of-Sys imprvs (Tbld until Jan 28th binding commitment)** **2022S-2073**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Cameron receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant binding commitment.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Canaan Valley PSD-State Park WWTP (Tbld until Jan 28th binding commitment)** **2022S-2063**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Canaan Valley PSD be tabled until the February 25<sup>th</sup> technical review and funding committee meeting.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD, Broomstraw ext (Cost & funding chg revised BC)** **2019W-1815**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD pursue a \$25,000 Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD contribution, an \$18,147 Summers Co. Com. ARPA grant, a \$195,000 WV American Water Co. design contribution, a \$330,407 WV American Water Co. contribution, a \$205,000 DWTRF design loan, a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$1,100,000 USACE Section 340 reimbursable grant, a \$1,663,158

HUD CDBG, a \$1,200,000 WDA EEGF, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant and a \$766,466 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) for a total estimated project cost of \$9,640,000; and receive an updated binding commitment for a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant transferred from loan funds (if needed) and a \$766,466 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs).

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD, Madams Creek ext (Cost & funding chg rev BC) 2019W-1816**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD pursue a \$25,000 Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD contribution, a \$330,000 Summers Co. Com. ARPA grant, a \$418,066 WV American Water Co. contribution, a \$805,573 DWTRF PF loan, a \$1,021,361 DWTRF loan (0.5%, 30 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$1,800,000 WDA EEGF, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant and a \$766,466 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) for a total estimated project cost of \$5,400,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Mingo Co PSD-Chattaroy sys imprvs (Bid overrun) 2018S-1776**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mingo County PSD receive up to a \$165,000 IJDC Bid Overrun grant transferred from loan funds (if needed) binding commitment and contingent upon receiving additional funding and/or value engineering to have a fully funded project.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Oceana, Town of-Line upgrade/repl (Binding commitment) 2019W-1840**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Oceana receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant transferred from loan funds (if needed) binding commitment.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Webster Co EDA-Grassy Ck ext, 50 cust (Cost & funding chg and binding com) 2021W-1957**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Webster County EDA pursue a \$1,075,000 USACE grant, a \$222,519 WV American Water contribution, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for a total estimated project cost of \$2,297,519 and receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant transferred from loan funds (if needed) binding commitment contingent upon updated O&M Agreement with WVAVC.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Webster Springs PSD-WWTP upgrade (Binding commitment extension) 2019S-1812**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Webster Springs PSD receive a \$150,000 IJDC grant and a \$1,310,500 IJDC loan (2%, 30 yr) binding commitment extension until July 15, 2025.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**West Milford, Town of-Sys imprvs (Binding commitment extension) 2023W-2425**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Milford receive a binding commitment extension until May 15, 2025.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **CRITICAL NEEDS EXTENSIONS**

**Boone Co PSD-Alexis Lane CN ext, 5 cust (Binding commitment ext) 2023W-2309**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Boone County PSD receive a binding commitment extension until June 15, 2025.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Boone Co PSD-Whitehouse Rd CN ext, 7 cust (Tbld appl until Jan 28th cont binding com)2024W-2517**

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends this application for Boone County PSD be tabled until next month's meeting to allow time to determine how compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule requirements will be met and how the applicant will ensure compliance with the regulatory agencies.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Pennsboro, City of-CN WV 74 ext, 14 cust (Tbld appl until Jan 28th cont binding com) 2024W-2580**

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends this application for Pennsboro be tabled until next month's meeting to allow time to determine how compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule requirements will be met and how the applicant will ensure compliance with the regulatory agencies.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **ANCILLARY EXPENDITURE/USE OF CONTINGENCY/BID UNDERRUN**

**Franklin, Town of-Water sys imprvs (Use of contingency) 2019W-1845**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Franklin request for pre-sedimentation tank repairs and yard piping modifications for \$140,889.06 be approved.



Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Executive Director Comments**

Funding program updates

<b>Requests Received</b>	(Applications by January 10, 2024, and requests to date)	<b>Information Report</b>
<b>Sewer</b>		
Mastontown, Town of-Pineview Dr ext, 45 cust (New application)		2024S-2648
Ohio Co PSD-West Liberty CN ext, 3 cust (New application)		2024S-2641
RMS PSD-Glen Rogers WWTP imprvs (New application)		2023S-2384
<b>Water</b>		
Gilmer Co PSD-Cox Mills CN ext, 12 cust (New application)		2025W-2649
Ice Run PSD-Carolina line repl (New application)		2024W-2638

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**None**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Jonathan Fowler moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:42 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director