



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 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** Matt McComas, Vice Chairman (Public Member)

**Voting Members in person:**

Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Fund  
Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority  
Thomas Cazad, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Brandon Crace, WV Public Service Commission  
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau for Public Health (by phone)  
Joseph Brouse, WV Economic Development Authority (by phone)  
Virginia King, Public Member (by phone)

**Voting Members not present:**

Todd Johnston, Deputy Chief of Staff and Governor's Designee-Chairman  
Don Rigby, Public Member

**Invitees present or via phone/WebEx:**

Delegate Erica Moore  
Klancey Burford, USACE  
Steve Collins, USDA

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
April Evers, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Scott Menefee, WV WDA  
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly  
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly  
Phillip Bachum, Capitol Police Dept.  
John Mitchell, Extreme Endeavors  
Jonathan Carpenter, Thrasher Engineering

**Others in attendance by phone/WebEx:**

Melissa Cross, DEP  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Joey Jude, E.L. Robinson Engineering  
Tim Meeks, T&M Consulting

Kevin Watkins, Thrasher Engineering  
Michael Griffith, CPA  
Eric Combs, Region 1 PDC  
Rachel Houston, DEP  
Casey Young, Thrasher Eng.  
Robert Riggs, Mayor of Pennsboro  
Rachel Pett, Steptoe & Johnson  
Paul Daniels, WDEP  
Lucas Pettus, Region 1 PDC  
Brandy McKnight, Steptoe & Johnson  
Gwen Clayton, Region 2 PDC  
Cade Peters, Thrasher Eng.  
Doug Smith, Thrasher Eng.  
Angie Iafrate, MOVRC  
Drew Thomas, MOVRC  
Cary Smith, Region 7 PDC  
Matt Tanner, Chapman Technical

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

**Approval of Minutes** Chair Matt McComas asked for approval of the draft minutes of **February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Brandon Crace moved for approval and Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Projects Technically Feasible and Permitted to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance  
Belington, City of-Sys imprvs (Cost & funding chg) 2022W-2273**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Belington be eligible to pursue a \$1,000,000 US ACE grant, a \$900,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$900,000 DWTRF loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$333,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,133,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Nate Testman seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Clay, Town of-Line repl (New application) 2025W-2740**  
Meredith Vance described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Clay be eligible to pursue a \$3,000,000 CDBG and an \$843,000 IJDC grant for an estimated cost of \$3,843,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Nate Testman seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Clay-Roane PSD-Sys imprvs IA (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2023W-2356**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.  
The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends approval of the scope change and the Clay-Roane PSD being eligible to pursue \$1,000,000 CDS grant, a \$250,000 CDS match, a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated cost of \$3,750,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Nate Testman seconded the motion. The

Motion passed.

**Franklin, Town of-WWTP imprvs (Cost & funding chg)**

**2024S-2579**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Franklin be eligible to pursue a \$1,200,000 US ACE, a \$3,000,000 CDBG, a \$300,000 CDBG planning grant, a \$1,500,000 ARC grant, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$1,675,000 CWSRF loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$500,000 WDA EEGF, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$100,000 IJDC design loan (1%, 40 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$10,775,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Harman, Town of-Dist sys imprvs (Scope, cost & funding chg)**

**2024W-2551**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical and Funding Committee recommend the change in scope be approved and the Town of Harman be eligible to pursue a \$735,000 DWTRF PF and a \$735,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,470,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pennsboro, City of-Rt 74 II ext, 17 cust (Funding chg)**

**2024W-2580**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee Recommends the City of Pennsboro be eligible to pursue a \$875,000 DWTRF PF and a \$875,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,750,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Salem, City of-Sys imprvs III (Funding chg)**

**2025S-2694**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Salem be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF, a \$1,000,000 CDBG, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,500,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**St Albans, City of-Meter repl (New application)**

**2026W-2742**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of St Albans be eligible to pursue a \$4,029,000 IJDC loan (3%, 20 yrs).

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Stonewood, City of-Sys imprvs (New application)**

**2025W-2739**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Stonewood be eligible to pursue a \$500,000 DWTRF PF loan and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,000,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Taylor Co Com-Slaton Hollow CN ext, 14 cust (Rtnd application, funding upd)**

**2025W-2731**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Taylor Co Com be eligible to pursue \$550,000 IJDC CN grant and \$550,000 Taylor Co Com grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,100,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Webster Co EDA-Dianna ext, 60 cust (Cost and funding chg)**

**2020W-1913**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommend the Webster Co EDA be eligible to pursue a \$2,500,000 CDBG, a \$900,000 US ACE, \$270,000 WV American Water Co contribution and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,670,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Projects Technically Feasible and Recommended to Pursue Funding Sources Other Than Infrastructure Fund Assistance -**

**Ravenswood, City of-Collection sys imprvs (Funding chg)**

**2019S-1789**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Ravenswood be eligible to pursue a \$2,000,000 CDS, a \$500,000 CDS match, and a \$2,689,500 CWSRF Loan (2.75%, 20 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$5,189,500.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitments and/or Extensions –**

*Extensions*

**Anmoore, Town of-Sys imprvs (Binding commitment extension)**

**2021W-1970**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Anmoore receive a binding commitment extension until April 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Boone Co PSD-Rock Ck ext, 1 cust (Binding commitment extension) 2023W-2491**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Boone Co PSD receive a binding commitment extension until September 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Jumping Br Nimitz PSD-Broomstraw ext, 53 cust (Binding commitment extension) 2019W-1815**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Jumping Branch Nimitz PSD receive a binding commitment extension until September 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pendleton Co PSD-Sandy Rdg ext, 25 cust (Binding commitment ext) 2021W-1947**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Pendleton Co PSD receive a binding commitment extension until September 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Ancillary Project Expenditure -**

**Big Bend PSD-WWTPs imprvs (Ancillary project expenditure) 2019S-1823**

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Big Bend PSD ancillary project expenditure request for an excavator using \$60,544.47 of IJDC funds from contingency be approved.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Executive Director Comments -**

Returned Funds -McDowell Co PSD-Jolo 5,119 cust (Binding com rtn \$853,000) 2023W-2430

Critical Need Extension Criteria Update (gathering data from applicants)

Funding program updates – multiple funding agencies gave reports about their respective programs.

**Projects Requiring Additional Information -**

Clarksburg, City of-Edgewood CN ext, 8 cust 2025S-2674

Gilmer Co PSD-Cox Mills CN ext, 12 cust 2025W-2649

Lashmeet PSD-Mary Br ext, 47 cust (Binding commitment ext) 2018W-1728

McDowell Co PSD-Elkhorn III ext, 13 cust (Binding commitment ext) 2021W-1961

Mercer Co PSD-Pocahontas ext ((Binding commitment ext) 2022W-2110

Oakvale Road PSD-Sewer ext I, 98 cust(Cost & funding chg & bid overrun binding com) 2017S-1713

Pennsboro, City of-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency) 2022S-2161

Salt Rock Sewer PSD-Rt 60 CN ext, 11 cust 2025S-2726  
Sugar Ck PSD-Camp Rd CN ext, 20 cust 2025W-2652

**Requests Received (Applications and requests to date) -**

Sewer - Beckley, City of-Sewer sys imprvs (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2022S-2144  
Keyser, City of-Rt 220 sewer repl (New CN application) 2026S-2752  
Northern Wayne Co PSD-Sys imprvs IA (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2024S-2500  
Salt Rock S-PSD-UV repl (Binding commitment) 2023S-2445  
Water - Belington, City of-WTP imprvs (New application) 2026W-2755  
Craigsville PSD-WTP (Binding commitment) 2015W-1590  
Follansbee, City of-HH WTP imprvs (New application) 2026W-2743  
Mason, Town of-Clifton sys imprvs (Binding commitment) 2023W-2397  
Paw Paw, Town of-WTP & Source of Supply (New application) 2026W-2757  
Summersville, City of-Line & junior high tank repl (New Application-Apr 28) 2026W-2756  
Whitmer Water Assoc-Sys imprvs I (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2023W-2455  
Williamstown, City of-PFAs treatment (New application) 2025W-2732

**Committee Reports**

Consolidation Nate Testman  
Technical Review & Funding Brad Sergent  
Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Wayne Morgan  
Sewer Technical Review Kathy Emery  
Water Technical Review Kathy Emery

**Other Reports**

US Army Corps of Engineers Klancey Burford  
US Department of Agriculture Steve Collins  
Abandoned Mine Lands Roger Earle  
Division of Highways Perry Keller  
Funding Program Reports (projects bidding and closing) Kathy Emery

**Public Comment**

**Adjournment**

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Brandon Crace moved to adjourn; Thomas Cazad seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:00 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director