



WEST VIRGINIA

Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

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A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, April 1st, 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, Public Member

Voting Members in person:

Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Fund
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau for Public Health
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Brandon Crace, WV Public Service Commission
Virginia King, Public Member
Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority
Joseph Brouse, WV Economic Development Authority

Voting Members not present:

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

Invitees present or via phone/WebEx:

Klancey Burford, USACE
Steve Collins, USDA
Patrick Murphy, WV BPH
Roger Earle, WV DEP AML
Delegate Erica Moore

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 Mellow, Jackson Kelly
Phillip Bachum, Capitol Police Dept.
John Mitchell, Extreme Endeavors
Doug Smith, Thrasher Engineering
Nidia Henderson, Citizen
Todd Hooker, WVDEP
Jeremiah Johnson, Beckley Sanitary Board

Others in attendance by phone/WebEx:

Penny Hiser, Region 8 PDC
Bo Crites, Region 8 PDC
Melissa Cross, DEP
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC
Tim Meeks, TSM Consulting
Ben Erste, Region 8 PDC
Keith Dalton, WVDEP
Beth Belcher, WV DEP
AB Bird, WV DEP
Eric Combs, Region 1 PDC
Paige Perrish, WV DEP
Matt Tanner, Chapman Technical Group
Kathy Anderson, WV DEP
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Assoc.
Boyles Hildreth & Consulting
Eric Coberly, E. L. Robinson
Kathy Anderson, WV DEP
Anthony Brown, Thrasher Engineering
Angie Lafrate, MOVRC
Rachel Pett, Steptoe-Johnson
Rachel Houston, WV DEP
Gwen Clayton, Region 2 PDC
Drew Thomas, MOVRC
John Giroir, WV DEP
Valerie Roberts, WV DEP

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 **March 18th, 2026**. Matt McComas moved for approval and Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Technically Feasible and Permitted to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance

Beckley, City of-Sewer sys imprvs (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2022S-2144

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends approval of the scope change and the City of Beckley be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$13,823,764 CWSRF loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$15,823,764.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Belington, City of-WTP imprvs (New application) 2026W-2753

Meredith Vance described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Belington be eligible to pursue a \$2,722,000 CDBG.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Cool Ridge-Flat Top PSD-Ellison Rdg ext, 34 cust (Cost & funding chg) **2022W-2289**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Cool Ridge-Flat Top PSD be eligible to pursue a \$3,100,000 ARC grant, a \$135,000 Raleigh Co Com grant, a \$129,000 Summers Co Com grant, \$112,000 Mercer Co Com grant, a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$919,000 DWTRF loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25%), and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,895,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Cowen SD-Rt 82 ext, 60 cust (Cost & funding chg) **2022W-2277**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Cowen PSD be eligible to pursue a \$3,000,000 ARC grant, a \$2,000,000 CDBG, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,000,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Crum PSD-Emg conn (Funding chg) **2024W-2562**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Crum PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF, a \$750,000 CDS grant, a \$680,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated cost of \$3,930,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Follansbee, City of-HH WTP imprvs (New application) **2026W-2743**
Meredith Vance described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Follansbee be eligible to pursue a \$1,321,000 US ACE grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant or Governor's Match, for an estimated project cost of \$1,821,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Fort Gay, Town of-Sys imprvs (Cost & funding chg) **2017S-1723**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Fort Gay be eligible to pursue a \$2,500,000 US ACE grant, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$1,700,000 WDA EEGF, a \$500,000 CDBG, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$100,000 IJDC PFA for an estimated project cost of \$7,300,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Northern Wayne Co PSD-Sys imprvs IA (Scope, cost & funding chg) **2024S-2500**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends approval of the scope change and the Northern Wayne Co PSD being eligible to pursue \$2,000,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$7,830,000 CWSRF loan (0.25% loan, 0.25% AF, 40 yrs), a \$70,000 Wayne Co Com grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost \$10,900,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Whitmer Water Assoc-Sys imprvs I (Scope, cost & funding chg) **2023W-2455**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends approval of the scope change and the Whitmer Water Assoc be eligible to pursue a \$485,000 DWTRF PF loan, and a \$485,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$970,000.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

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

Williamstown, City of-PFAs treatment (New application) **2025W-2732**
Meredith Vance described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Williamstown be eligible to pursue \$2,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, \$2,000,000 DWTRF (emerging contaminant sub-grant), and a \$2,640,000 DWTRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF) for an estimated project cost of \$6,640,000.

Kathy Emery made additional comments regarding this project.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

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

Bradshaw, Town of-Sys imprvs (Binding commitment ext) **2018S-1742**
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Kanawha County RDA-Rambling Rd CN ext, 11 cust (Binding commitment ext) 2023W-2479

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Kanawha Co RDA receive a binding commitment extension until November 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

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

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mercer County PSD receive a binding commitment extension until October 15, 2026.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Binding commitments - Craigs ville PSD-WTP (Binding commitment) 2015W-1590

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Craigs ville PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Eastern Wyoming PSD-WTP imprvs (Cost & funding chg & binding commitment) 2019W-1829

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Eastern Wyoming PSD be eligible to pursue a \$5,542,000 AML grant, a \$2,200,000 AMLER grant, \$1,500,000 ARC grant, a \$500,000 IJDC grant, and a \$6,307,660 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$16,049,660; and receive a \$6,307,660 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) binding commitment and a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Keyser, City of-Rt 220 sewer repl (New CN application & binding commitment) 2026S-2752

Wayne Morgan described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the \$1.2M IJDC CN Keyser request for replacement of sewer line along Rt 220 be approved contingent upon Accountant's Certificate that reflects rates are adequate to fund Renewal & Replacement Account and Capital Maintenance Reserve Account.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Marlinton, Town of-Pocahontas Mem Hosp sys imprvs (Binding commitment) 2025S-2699

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Marlinton receive a \$890,000 IJDC grant binding.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mason, Town of-Cliffon sys imprvs (Binding commitment) 2023W-2397
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Mason receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Masontown, Town of-Herring Rd repl (Binding commitment) 2023W-2414
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Masontown receive a \$300,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Salt Rock S-PSD-UV repl (Binding commitment) 2023S-2445
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Salt Rock Sewer PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Spencer, City of-Schoolhouse Hill sys imprvs (Cost & funding chg & binding com) 2020W-1912
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Spencer be eligible to pursue a \$1,150,000 CDBG, a \$50,000 Spencer contribution and a \$230,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,430,000; and receive a \$230,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

St Albans, City of-Meter repl (Binding commitment) 2026W-2742
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Brad Sergent moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Economic Development Assistance -
Huntington Area Development Council (HADCO) Loan**

Brad Sergent described the request.

Joseph Brouse moved that a loan to the Huntington Area Development Council (“HADCO”) (2026E-224) to finance an expansion of Alcon’s current building in Lesage, WV, in an amount not to exceed \$1,350,000 and be subject to the following:

1. Principal and interest payments shall be deferred during the performance period.
2. If the performance is not met in its entirety, the loan balance shall be amortized over 10 years at an interest of the Wall Street Prime Rate as of the end of the performance period.
3. The WDA shall be authorized to make minor adjustments to the loan terms as necessary to facilitate closing, provided such adjustments do not materially alter the intent of this approval.
4. This agreement is subject to an acceptable performance agreement between HADCO and Alcon.

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Jospeh Brouse moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Executive Director Comments -

Returned Funds

Critical Need Extension Criteria Update (data from applicants)

Funding program updates

Kathy Emery, Brad Sergent, and Klancey Burford provided brief updates regarding their 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
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 - Boone Co PSD-Rock Ck sys (New application)	2026E-2772
Greater Marion PSD-Sys imprvs 1 (New application)	2026S-2751
St Albans, City of-Sys imprvs (New application)	2026S-2760
Wardensville, Town of-Sys imprvs 2 (New application)	2026S-2768
Water - Bath (Berkeley Springs), Town of-WTP imprvs (New application)	2026W-2754
Bingamon PSD-Sys imprvs (New application)	2026W-2755
Bluewell PSD-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency)	2023W-2357
Chestnut Ridge PSD-Sys imprvs II (Scope change)	2025W-2692
Hardy Co PSD-SofS Baker sys (New application)	2024W-2509
Parsons, City of-Sys imprvs (Binding commitment)	2023W-2308
Preston Co PSD 4-Tank & meter repl (New application)	2025W-2685
S Jackson Co PSD-Statts Mill Rd ext, 35 cust (Bid underrun)	2022W-2291
Summersville, City of-Line & junior high tank repl (New Application-Apr 28)	2026W-2756
Wellsburg, City of-Main repl 1 (New application)	2026W-2746

Committee Reports

Consolidation
Technical Review & Funding
Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Sewer Technical Review
Water Technical Review

Virginia King
Brad Sergent
Wayne Morgan
Kathy Emery
Kathy Emery

Other Reports

US Army Corps of Engineers
US Department of Agriculture
Abandoned Mine Lands
Division of Highways
Funding Program Reports (projects bidding and closing)

Klancey Burford
Steve Collins
Roger Earle
Perry Keller
Kathy Emery

Public Comment

Nidia Henderson spoke to the committee regarding on-going efforts in her area.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Brandon Crace moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Wayne D. Morgan
Secretary & Executive Director