



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Technical Review & Funding Committee Meeting was held **Tuesday, March 24<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** Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority

**Voting Members in person/by phone:**

Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Fund (by phone)  
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection (by phone)  
Brandon Crace, WV Public Service Commission  
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau of Public Health (by phone)  
Joseph Brouse, WV Economic Development Authority

**Invitees present or via phone:**

Thomas Cazad, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Steve Collins, US Department of Agriculture

**Others in attendance in person/Webex:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
April Evers, IJDC  
Mike Duminiak, IJDC  
Elizabeth Atkinson, IJDC  
Scott Menefee, WDA  
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly  
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly  
Tim Meeks, TSM Consulting  
Patrick Murphy, WVDH  
Gary McFann, Local Resident  
Jim Stage, Williamstown Water Dept.  
Mike Davis, B&N  
Paul Jordan, Williamstown Mayor  
John Mitchell, Extreme Endeavors  
Jonathan Carpenter, Thrasher Eng.  
Jeff Ekstrom, Ghosh Eng.  
Josh Carl, MOVRC  
Ben Erste, Region 9 PDC  
Doug Smith, Thrasher Eng.  
A.B. Bird, WVDEP  
Clay Riley, Thrasher  
Beth Belcher, DEP  
Penny Hiser, Region 8 PDC

Jeremiah Johnson, Beckley Sanitary Board  
Eric Combs, Region 1 PDC  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Anthony Brown, Thrasher Eng.  
Cassandra Lawson, Region 4 PDC  
Sarah Cook, Thrasher Eng.  
Lesley Taylor, Region 4 PDC  
Ryan Holcomb, Thrasher Eng.  
Angie Lafate, MOVRC  
Gwen Clayton, Region 2 PDC  
Shawn Kelly, E.L. Robinson Eng.  
Drew Thomas, MOVRC  
Jarod Ringer, CEC  
Rachel Houston, WV DEP  
Brandy McKnight, Steptoe & Johnston  
Carlo Fabian, Region 9 PDC  
Stephanie Hickerson, USDA Rural Development  
John Giroir, DEP  
Steve Buchanan, CEC  
Rachel Pett, Steptoe & Johnson  
John Klein, HRG Inc.  
Steve Collins, USDA  
Kathy Elliott, Region 2 PDC

**Call to Order** Brad Sergent called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes** Brad Sergent asked for approval of the draft minutes of **February 24th 2026**, meeting. Brandon Crace moved for approval and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **PROJECTS SATISFYING TECHNICAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS AND/OR ELIGIBLE TO PURSUE FUNDING<sup>1</sup>**

#### ***Sewer***

**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), and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$15,823,764

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

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

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<sup>1</sup> A project that is determined to be “eligible to pursue funding” is allowed to seek funding outside of the Council. It does not indicate that the Council is authorizing or will authorize funding from the Council, once other funding has been obtained.

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.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

***Water***

**Belington, City of-WTP imprvs (New application) 2026W-2753**  
Thomas Cazad 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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Cowen PSD-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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Follansbee, City of-HH WTP imprvs (New application)** **2026W-2743**  
Thomas Cazad 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 for an estimated project cost of \$1,821,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Williamstown, City of-PFAs treatment (New application)** **2025W-2732**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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) for an estimated project cost of \$6,640,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

## **PROJECTS REQUESTING INFRASTRUCTURE FUND ASSISTANCE**

**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.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace 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.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**ANCILLARY PROJECT EXPENDITURES/USE OF CONTINGENCY/BID UNDERRUN**  
**Alderson, Town of-WTP repl (Use of contingency)** **2021W-1956**  
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the \$134,790.62 for Alderson WTP be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Hancock Co PSD-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency)** **2021S-1980**  
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the \$309,174.79 (\$285,177.54 IJDC funds) Hancock Co PSD use of contingency request be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Harrisville, Town of-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency)** **2023S-2318**  
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the \$78,390.42 Harrisville use of contingency request for CO 3 be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pea Ridge PSD-Collection sys 1 (Use of contingency)** **2022S-2294**  
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Pea Ridge PSD \$436,918.97 use of contingency request be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Returned funds (see report)

Critical Need Extension Criteria Update (gathering data from applicants)  
Funding program updates – Steve Collins, Brad Sergent, and Kathy Emery gave brief program updates.

### **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, 220 cust (131 ex) (Binding com 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
Keyser, City of-Rt 220 sewer repl (New CN application & binding commitment)	2026S-2752
Marlinton, Town of-Pocahontas Mem Hosp sys imprvs (Binding commitment)	2025S-2699
Salt Rock S-PSD-UV repl (Binding commitment)	2023S-2445
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
Craigsville PSD-WTP (Binding commitment)	2015W-1590
Eastern Wyoming PSD-WTP imprvs (Cost & funding chg & binding commitment)	2019W-1829
Hardy Co PSD-SofS Baker sys (New application)	2024W-2509
Mason, Town of-Cliffton sys imprvs (Binding commitment)	2023W-2397
Masontown, Town of-Herring Rd repl (Binding commitment)	2023W-2414
Parsons, City of-Sys imprvs (Binding commitment)	2023W-2308
Preston Co PSD 4-Tank & meter repl (New application)	2025W-2685
Spencer, City of-Schoolhouse Hill sys imprvs (Cost & funding chg & binding com)	2020W-1912
S Jackson Co PSD-Stats Mill Rd ext, 35 cust (Bid underrun)	2022W-2291
Summersville, City of-Line and junior high tank repl (New application)	2026W-2756
St Albans, City of-Meter repl (Binding commitment)	2026W-2742
Wellsburg, City of-Main repl 1 (New application)	2026W-2746

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **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 **10:30 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director