



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, July 28th, 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 Joseph Brouse, WV Economic Development Authority

Voting Members in person/by phone:

Kristin Shaffer, WV Housing Development Fund
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Brandon Crace, WV Public Service Commission
Patrick Murphy, WV Bureau of Public Health

Invitees present or via phone:

Steve Collins, USDA
Thomas Cazad, WV DEP
Ellen Heinz, USEDPA

Others in attendance in person/Webex:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
April Evers, IJDC
Mike Duminiak, IJDC
Elizabeth Atkinson, IJDC
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly
Jeremy Nicholas, City of Summersville
Bob Bragg, Potesta Engineering
Ryan Holcomb, Thrasher Group
Cody Turner, Thrasher Group
Doug Smith, Thrasher Group
Derrick Staggs, Central Hampshire PSD
Duane Dates, Central Hampshire PSD
Fred Hypes, Thrasher Group
Will Wallace, Cerrone & Assoc.
Kairo Williams, WV DEP
Bruce Mullins, RIC
John Mitchell, Extreme Endeavors
Jonathan Carpenter, Thrasher Group
Matt Tanner, Chapman Technical
Jason Myers, Clarksburg Water Board
Isaac Fadiga, Burgess & Niple
Bo Crites, Region 8 PDC

Ben Erste, Region 11 PDC
Melissa Cross, DEP
Clay Riley, Thrasher Group
Malachi Hinger, Region 8 PDC
Cassandra Lawson, Region 4 PDC
Michael Griffith, Griffith CPA
Kevin Watkin, Thrasher Group
Spencer Fultineer, DEP
Tiffany Sentman, Region 8 PDC
Jennings Berry, Region 6 PDC
Olivia Hawk, Region 8 PDC
Paige Parrish, DEP
Cary Smith, Region 7 PDC
John Giroir, DEP
A.B. Bird, DEP
Beth Belcher, DEP
Shane Whitehair, Region 7 PDC
Sorelle Mbakop, DEP
Carlo Fabian, Region 11 PDC
Connor W, Thrasher Group
Cullin Cutright, Thrasher Group
Todd Whitehair, Region 6 PDC
Cade Peters, Thrasher Group
Steve Buchanon, CEC
Eric Combs, Region 1 PDC
Kathy Elliott, Region 2 PDC
Rachel Houston, DEP
Terry Martin, Region 3 PDC
Joey Huxley, Region 7 PDC
Rachel Pett, Steptoe & Johnson
Angie Laferte, MOVRC
Brandy McKnight, Steptoe & Johnson
Steve Haynes, Thrasher Group

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

Approval of Minutes **Joseph Brouse** asked for approval of the draft minutes of June 23rd, 2026, meeting. Kathy Emery moved for approval and Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PROJECTS SATISFYING TECHNICAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS AND/OR ELIGIBLE TO PURSUE FUNDING¹

Sewer

Cowen PSD-WWTP imprvs (New application)

2026S-2806

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

¹ 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 Cowen PSD be eligible to pursue a \$2,000,000 CWSRF PF loan, \$1,200,000 CDBG, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,200,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Patrick Murphy seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mannington, City of-MH rehab & ext, 40 cust (New application) **2026S-2790**
Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Mannington be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan and a \$1,500,000 CWSRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF) for an estimated project cost of \$3,000,000.

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

Meadow Creek PSD-CN pump failures (New application) **2026S-2822**
Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Meadow Creek PSD be eligible to pursue a \$30,000 (\$30,590.15 less \$590.15 from R&R account) IJDC CN grant.

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

Midland PSD-Chenoweth Ck ext, 45 cust (New application) **2026S-2765**
Kathy Emery described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Midland PSD pursue funding other than the \$500,000 WDA EEGF (limited funds available) it has listed in its application; therefore, this application will be tabled until an updated funding scenario is received from Midland PSD.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Nate Testman seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mullens, City of-Sys imprvs 2 (New application) **2025S-2737**
Kathy Emery described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Mullens be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$1,325,000 CWSRF loan (0.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,325,000.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Kristin Shaffer seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Vienna, City of-Pond Run storm sewer repl (New application) **2026S-2747**
Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding recommends the City of Vienna be eligible to pursue a \$1,293,600 Vienna contribution and a \$500,000 CWSRF PF (green) loan for an estimated project cost of \$1,793,600.

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

Water

Clarksburg, City of-Lumberport conn (New application)

2026W-2788

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg pursue funding other than the \$900,000 WDA EEGF (limited funds available) it has listed in its application; therefore, this application will be tabled until an updated funding scenario is received from Clarksburg.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Cowen PSD-Line repl (New application)

2026W-2805

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends that the Cowen PSD be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF, a \$2,000,000 AML grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,500,000.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Grant Town, Town of-Line repl (New application)

2025W-2741

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Grant Town 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.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Greenbrier PSD 2-Alt source & pre-treatment imprvs (New application)

2026W-2791

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Greenbrier PSD 2 be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$1,500,000 DWTRF loan (0%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$1,420,000 AML grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,420,000.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Green Valley Glenwood PSD-Hurricane Rdg ext, 19 cust (New application)

2026W-2810

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Green Valley Glenwood PSD pursue funding other than the \$940,750 WDA EEGF (limited funds available) it has listed in its application; therefore, this application will be tabled until an updated funding scenario is received from Green Valley Glenwood PSD.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mason Co PSD-Ashton WTP imprvs (New application) 2024W-2644

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mason Co PSD request be tabled to allow the PSD time to determine a viable funding scenario.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mason Co PSD-Lakin WTP imprvs (New application) 2024W-2626

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mason Co PSD request be tabled to allow the PSD time to determine a viable funding scenario.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Mason Co PSD-S County sys imprvs (New application) 2023W-2482

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mason Co PSD request be tabled to allow the PSD time to determine a viable funding scenario.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Richwood, City of-Water tank imprvs (New application) 2026W-2796

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Richwood be eligible to pursue \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,500,000.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

St Albans, City of-Sys imprvs 1 (New application) 2026W-2759

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of St Albans be eligible to pursue a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$10,968,000 DWTRF loan (0.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25%), and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$12,968,000.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Summersville, City of-Line & jhigh tank repl (Upd application) 2026W-2756

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Summersville pursue funding other than the \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF (limited funds available) it has listed in its application; therefore, this application will be tabled until an updated funding scenario is received from Summersville.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Weirton, City of-Line repl (New application)

2026W-2800

Thomas Cazad described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Weirton be eligible to pursue a \$18,970,000 private loan (4%, 35 yrs), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$4,250,000 DWTRF loan (2.5%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$10,000,000 CDS, and a \$5,000,000 IJDC loan (3%, 20 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$39,220,000.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

PROJECTS REQUESTING INFRASTRUCTURE FUND ASSISTANCE (BC ext)

Boone Co PSD-Rock Ck Dev Park ext (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 March 15, 2027.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Phillipi, City of-Little Laurel Run Reservoir (Binding Commitment extension)

2019W-1855

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Philippi binding commitment be extended until January 15, 2027.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

ANCILLARY PROJECT EXPENDITURES/USE OF CONTINGENCY/BID UNDERRUN

Brooke Co PSD-Phase IIC (Ancillary project expenditure)

2021S-1945

Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Brooke Co PSD \$193,176.18 IJDC loan ancillary project expenditure to extend service to the Animal Shelter and Recycle Center be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Kristin Shaffer seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Central Hampshire PSD-Purgitsville ext, 46 cust (Use of contingency)

2022W-2178

Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Central Hampshire PSD \$61,100 use of contingency for rework due to flooding on the project be approved.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills WWTP imprvs (Scope change & use of cont.)2023S-2340
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Central Hampshire PSD scope change be approved and (if approved) the \$382,586.93 (includes \$101,982 IJDC grant & \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant) use of contingency for the post aeration basin and other required improvements be approved.

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Marmet, Town of-Overflow abatement (Bid underrun) **2024S-2581**
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Marmet request to use up to \$80,000 of its bid underrun for the purchase of a portable generator be approved. (\$12,265 returned if approved).

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

Romney, Town of-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency) **2020W-1881**
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the \$85,160.96 (\$69,587.75 IJDC loan \$15,573.21 grant) use of contingency request by the Town of Romney for meter relocation, insertion valves and other distribution system work be approved. (no returned funds if approved)

Patrick Murphy moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

Weston, City of-Sludge dewatering (Bid underrun) **2022S-2158**
Thomas Cazad described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Weston \$538,105 (returns \$15,145 IJDC grant funds) bid underrun request be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Kristin Shaffer seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Critical Needs Policies - Exhibit A to Resolution

Wayne Morgan described the resolution.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS – INFORMATION REPORT

Returned funds

Funding program updates

REQUESTS RECEIVED (Applications and requests to date)

Sewer

Boone Co PSD-Rock Ck Devl Park package plt (New application) 2026E-2813

Preston Co PSD- Valley Pt imprvs & Rt 26 N ext, 1 cust (New application) 2026S-2786

Water

Clay Co PSD-Bob Reedy Rd ext, 8 cust (New application) 2026W-2769

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