

RESOLUTION EXTENDING FEMA/WVDHSEM GRANT AGREEMENT DEADLINES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 31, Article 15 A, Section 5 of the Code of West Virginia 1931, as amended (the “Act”), the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (the “Council”) is required to review preliminary applications from and provide recommendations for any project sponsor applying for any funding assistance from any State of West Virginia (the “State”) infrastructure agency;

WHEREAS, numerous communities in the State were affected by severe flooding in June 2016 and were awarded grants to repair damaged water and sewer systems from the United States Federal Emergency Management Administration (“FEMA”);

WHEREAS, FEMA advances grant proceeds during construction but requires a matching contribution of 25%;

WHEREAS, the communities receiving the FEMA grants (the “Project Sponsors”) do not have the funds available to pay the matching contribution;

WHEREAS, by Resolution dated February 5, 2020, the Council determined that it is in the best interest of the State and the communities affected by severe flooding to waive the preliminary application requirements of the Act and recommend that the Water Development Authority (the “WDA”) provide funding assistance to the communities through the issuance of grants to cover the matching contribution requirement (the “Grant Agreement(s)”);

WHEREAS, the WDA at the direction of the Council has entered into Grant Agreements with the Project Sponsors, including Town of Alderson (IJDC Project No. 2021F-105, 2021F-107), Birch River PSD (IJDC Project No. 2021F-110), City of Buckhannon (IJDC Project No. 2021F-116, 2021F-108); Craigsville PSD (IJDC Project No. 2021F-113), Town of Harmon (IJDC Project No. 2020F-103), City of Kingwood (IJDC Project No. 2021F-112), Town of Matewan (IJDC Project No. 2021F-109), Preston County PSD #4 (IJDC Project No. 2021F-111), and Town of Rainelle (IJDC Project No. 2021F-115) (collectively, the “Projects”).

WHEREAS, the Projects have been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances, and slowed supply chain and workforce;

WHEREAS, these Grant Agreements have expired or are set to expire;

WHEREAS, the Council has determined it is in the best interest of the State, the Project Sponsors, and the Council to extend each Grant Agreement expiration date to July 1, 2024 to allow the Projects to be completed.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council as follows:

1. The following Projects will have their respective Grant Agreement expiration date extended to July 1, 2024: Town of Alderson (IJDC Project No. 2021F-105, 2021F-107), Birch River PSD (IJDC Project No. 2021F-110), City of Buckhannon (IJDC Project No. 2021F-116, 2021F-108); Craigsville PSD (IJDC Project No. 2021F-113), Town of Harmon (IJDC Project No.

2020F-103), City of Kingwood (IJDC Project No. 2021F-112), Town of Matewan (IJDC Project No. 2021F-109), Preston County PSD #4 (IJDC Project No. 2021F-111), and Town of Rainelle (IJDC Project No. 2021F-115).

2. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted March 1, 2023

Secretary