



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 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:**

Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority  
Brandon Crace, WV Public Service Commission  
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau of Public Health  
Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Authority  
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Joseph Brouse, Public Member

**Voting Members via phone/WebEx:**

Perry Keller, WV Department of Highways

**Voting Members not present:**

Virginia King, Public Member  
Don Rigby, Public Member  
Todd Johnston, Governor's Designee  
Senator Chandler Swope, Public Member  
Louis Spatafore, Public Member

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

Klancey Burford, US Army Corps of Engineers  
Steve Collins, US Department of Agriculture  
Roger Earle, US Abandoned Mine Lands  
Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Patrick Murphy, WV Department of Highways  
James Bush, WV Appalachian Regional Council

**Invitees not present:**

Ryan Halsey, Community Development Block Grant

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
April Evers, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority  
Veronica Lewis, WV Water Development Authority

P.E. Baucham, Capitol Police  
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly  
Todd Dingess, Smith Cochran & Hicks  
Terry Martin, RIC  
Dan Ferrell, Thrasher Group  
Scott Wyman, WVAW  
M. Raymo, WVAW  
Todd Grinstead, WV RWA  
Virginia Harper, WV RWA  
Caitlin Lizarragea, WV AW

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

John Cole, RK&K  
Paige Parrish WV DEP  
Douglas Smith, Thrasher Group  
Thomas Cazad, WV DEP  
Rachel Houston, WV DEP  
Melissa Cross, WV DEP  
Andrew Bird, WV DEP  
Keith Dalton, WV DEP  
Beth Belcher, WV DEP  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Lucas Pettus, Region 1 PDC  
Cary Smith, Region 7 PDC  
Dana Tackett, MOVRC  
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Assoc.  
Robert Riggs, Mayor of Pennsboro  
Steve Haynes, TTG  
Hannah Hill, Region 1 PDC  
Lance Morgan  
Penny Hiser, Region 8 PDC  
Kathy Anderson  
Amy King  
John Giroir, WV DEP  
Mark Sankoff, Potesta  
Stacy Karickoff, USDA

**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 **July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Kathy Emery moved for approval and Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Projects Technically Feasible and Permitted to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance<sup>1</sup> –**

**Clarksburg, City of-Edgewood CN ext, 8 cust (New application)**  
Kathy Emery described the request.

**2025S-2674**

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<sup>1</sup> This action item is to certify that certain requirements have been met which makes the project eligible for funding. Meeting this criteria is a necessary step for obtaining a binding commitment from the Council, but it does not guarantee one will be granted.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg be eligible to pursue a \$925,000 IJDC CN grant.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Clarksburg, City of-Lead service line repl (New application) 2025W-2688**  
Meredith Vance described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg be eligible to pursue a \$9,310,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$9,690,000 DWTRF LSL loan (0%, 30 yrs), an \$11,000,000 DWTRF loan (2.5%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$6,000,000 CDS, a \$3,000,000 Community Project Funding grant, and an \$11,000,000 IJDC loan (3%, 20yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$50,000,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Hughes River Water Board (WTP imprvs (New application) 2025W-2686**  
Meredith Vance described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Hughes River Water Board be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$475,000 USDA grant, a \$2,230,000 USDA loan (3.37%, 40 yrs), a \$500,000 WDA EEGF, \$25,000 Local ARPA grant and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,230,000.

Brandon Crace recommended that this sponsor evaluate their O&M costs.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Leadsville, PSD-Sys imprvs & ext, 28 cust (New application) 2024W-2645**  
Meredith Vance described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Leadsville PSD be eligible to pursue a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, an \$875,000 DWTRF loan (1.5%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF) and a \$500,000 IJDC grant, \$12,500 Randolph Co. Commission Grant, and \$12,500 IJDC PFA (to be paid back) for an estimated project cost of \$2,387,500.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**McDowell Co PSD-Jolo 5 ext, 119 cust(Cost & funding chg) 2023W-2430**  
Meredith Vance described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the McDowell Co PSD be eligible to pursue \$3,402,000 US EDA grant, \$1,500,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$2,014,000 CDBG, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$7,916,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

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

**Shady Springs PSD-Cool Ridge sys (New application) 2025S-2664**  
Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Shady Spring PSD be eligible to pursue a \$1,500,000 US ACE grant and a \$164,050 Raleigh Co Com grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,664,050.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Brandon Crace seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitments and/or Extensions –**  
**Cairo, Town of-Sys imprvs (Funding chg and binding commitment) 2021W-1953**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Cairo be eligible to pursue a \$2,275,000 US ACE grant, a \$750,000 CDS (US ACE) match, a \$100,000 Ritchie Co Com grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,125,000; and receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC binding commitment.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Elk Valley PSD-Disinfectant imprvs (Binding commitment cont on CWSRF) 2023S-2427**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Greater Paw Paw PSD-Sys imprvs III (Binding commitment cont on CWSRF) 2023S-2367**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Kanawha Co RDA-Olcott ext, 110 cust (Funding chg & binding commitment) 2021W-2044**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Kanawha Co RDA pursue a \$500,000 Kanawha Co Com grant, a \$52,930 Kanawha Co RDA contribution, a \$676,830 WV American Water Co contribution, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$9,209,240 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$11,439,000; and receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, a \$9,209,240 IJDC loan (1%, 40 yrs) binding commitment.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Meredith Vance seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Paden City, City of-WWTP Imprvs (Cost, funding chg & binding commitment) 2021S-1977**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Paden City pursue a \$3,376,050 USCOE grant, a \$150,000 Paden City contribution, a \$150,000 Wetzel County Commission grant, a \$150,000 Tyler County Commission Grant, a \$310,000 WDA EEGF grant, a \$500,000 IJDC Grant, a \$386,175 IJDC Loan (30 yr, 2%), and a \$386,175 Supplemental EEGF grant, for an estimated project cost of \$5,408,400; and receive a \$386,175 IJDC loan (30 yr, 2%) binding commitment.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Critical Needs -**

**Athens, Town of-Mt Jackson & Oxley Rd CN ext, 25 cust (BC ext) 2024W-2550**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Marmet, Town of- WWTP stream stabilization (CN application/BC) 2025S-2698**  
Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Marmet \$440,000 critical need binding commitment request for bank stabilization at the WWTP site be approved.

Terry Martin gave a brief update regarding the audit in answer to a question from the council.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Business Items –**

Election of Vice Chair – Marie Prezioso nominated Matt McComas to serve as Vice Chair. Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Executive Director Comments -**

Returned Funds – Wayne Morgan gave a brief update regarding the projects below.

Birch River PSD-FEMA generators (returned \$3,710.94 IJDC grant) 2021F-110  
Funding program updates

**Projects Requiring Additional Information -**

Boone Co PSD-Alexis Ln CN ext, 5 cust (Increased binding com) 2023W-2309  
Crum PSD-WTP & sys imprvs (Updated application-tbld 08262025 TR&FC) 2024W-2562  
Elizabeth, Town of-Detention basin (Tbld application until 08262025 TR&FC) 2025S-2670  
Gilmer Co PSD-Cox Mills CN ext, 12 cust 2025W-2649  
Kanawha Co RDA-Upper Rambling Hills CN ext, 11 cust (Increased binding com) 2023W-2479  
McDowell Co PSD-Elkhorn III ext, 13 cust 2021W-1961

Pennsboro, City of-WV 74 CN ext, 14 cust	2024W-2580
Sophia, City of-WWTP repl (Tbld use of contingency until 08262025 TR&FC)	2016S-1658
Sugar Ck PSD-Camp Rd CN ext, 20 cust	2025W-2652
Sun Valley PSD-Indian Run CN ext, 20 cust	2024W-2634
West Hamlin, Town of-Storage tanks imprvs (Tbld scope, cost and funding 08262025)	2020W-1876

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

Marlinton, Town of-Hosp WW package plant (New application)	2025S-2699
Philippi, City of-Line repl (New application)	2025S-2662

**Water**

Chesnut Ridge PSD-Sys imprvs II (new application)	2025W-2692
Lashmeet PSD-Hiawatha ext, 74 customers (New application)	2025W-2679
Logan Co PSD-Mitchell Heights upgrade/repl New application)	2025W-2697
Lubeck PSD-Pine Run ext, 12 cust (New application)	2025W-2691
New Haven PSD-Hawver Rd CN ext, 13 cust (New application)	2025W-2681
Vienna, City of-Sys immprvs (New application)	2024W-2678

**Committee Reports**

Consolidation	Nate Testman
Technical Review & Funding	Marie Prezioso
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**

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 **10:00 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director