

### Drinking Water Systems Improvements Revolving Loan Fund (DWSIRLF)

### Drinking Water Systems Emergency Loan Fund (DWSSELF)

#### Who can apply?

- Cities or Towns
- Rural Water Associations
- Water Districts or Water/Sewer Districts
- County Boards of Supervisors
- State Agencies

#### What can be funded?

- Water wells
- Elevated Storage and Pressure Tanks
- Water Treatment Plants
- Water Distribution Lines and Pumps
- Source Water Protection
- Generator Sets
- System Consolidation

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## 1.95% Interest Loans for Water Supplies

As you are aware, public water supplies are required to deliver safe, dependable drinking water to their customers. As a responsible official, certified operator or a consulting engineer, you may be concerned about the ability of your water system to cope with aging infrastructure and changing regulations. Are there improvements that need to be made? Does the system have adequate financial resources? Will you be able to maintain compliance with future regulations?

The Drinking Water Systems Improvements Revolving

Loan Fund (DWSIRLF) can help finance capital construction costs to improve water quality for your consumers and to maintain compliance with drinking water regulations. Now is the time to plan for FFY-2015 and FFY-2016 projects.

For FFY-2014, the interest rate is **1.95%**; loan limits are set at the discretion of the Board but are presently \$5,000,000 with a maximum repayment period of 20 years. The interest rate is not expected to increase for FFY-2015, so 1.95% should be used for facilities planning purposes.

The Local Governments &

Rural Water Systems Improvements Board (Board) encourages all loan applicants with projects on the FFY-2014 Priority List and those with projects on the FFY-2015 and After Planning List to proceed with the planning of their projects. Any funds remaining for FFY-2014 projects will be available on a "first come, first served" basis in accordance with the DWSIRLF Regulations. Any eligible loan applicant interested in pursuing funding for a FFY-2015 or FFY-2016 loan for drinking water needs should see the back of this newsletter for the appropriate contact information.

## Board Adopts FFY-2014 Intended Use Plan

On January 24, 2014, the Board adopted the Final FFY-2014 Intended Use Plan (IUP) for the DWSIRLF Program. The Priority List is shown on page 28 of the

IUP. If you would like an electronic copy of the Final FFY-2014 IUP, please visit our website at: [www.healthymys.com/dwsrf](http://www.healthymys.com/dwsrf).

If you like to receive a hard copy of If you have any

questions concerning the IUP or would like to receive a hard copy of the document, please see the contact information on the back of this newsletter.

## DWSRF Deadlines/Target Dates (See Page 3 for Details)

- **Now:** Hire a Professional Engineer registered in Mississippi for the FFY-2015 funding cycle
- **By May 1, 2014:** Submit Completed FFY-2014 Loan Application Package (FFY-2014 Projects-(after this date released funds may be available for "catch-up projects"))
- **By May 15, 2014:** Complete & Submit the enclosed FFY-2015 Ranking Form
- **By July 1, 2014:** Complete and Submit Draft Facilities Plan to IGR agencies (FFY-2015)
- **By August 15, 2014:** Advertise for Public Hearing (FFY-2015)
- **By October 1, 2014:** Submit a Complete Facilities Plan (FFY-2015)
- **December 2014:** Draft FFY-2015 Intended Use Plan(IUP) is published



"Funding up to 100% of costs for 'one stop financing'"



The DWSRF can match other grants

## Who are the Board?

The State law that created the Local Governments and Rural Water Systems Improvements Board (Board) specified that its membership would be the following nine (9) members: the State Health Officer (MSDH) (who shall serve as chairman of the Board); the Executive Director of the Mississippi Development

Authority (MDA); the Executive Director of the Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ); the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA); the Executive Director of the Mississippi Association of Supervisors (MAS); the Executive Director of the Mississippi Municipal League (MML); the Executive Director of the American Council of

Engineering Companies (ACEC); State Director of the U. S. Department of Agriculture - Rural Development (USDA-RD); and a manager of a rural water system. Each agency director may appoint a designee to serve in his or her place on the Board. The rural water system manager is appointed by the Governor.

## Funding Facts – The Benefits

The DWSIRLF Program has many benefits or advantages such as:

- Funding up to 100% of costs for "one stop financing"
- Lending limit set at the discretion of the Board
- DWSIRLF funds can be used to match funding from other sources such as CDBG, ARC, RUS, etc.
- Communities can avoid using general obligation bonding capacity to fund a water project. Also, communities with

limited or no bonding capacity now have another source of funding.

- The loan interest rate is set below market rates each year with a 20 year repayment period.
- Interest does not accrue until the end of the original construction period or one year after initiation of the earliest construction contract.
- Repayments do not begin until construction is completed.
- Cost of real property for water supply, treatment, storage

purposes, consolidation projects, and source water protection purposes are eligible costs.

- State purchasing requirements for local governments apply to projects instead of federal purchasing requirements.
- After loan award, recommended allowances for planning/design and other professional services can be provided based on a percentage of construction cost.

## Special Priority Points to Get a Leg Up

As a reminder, potential loan recipients can "Get a Leg Up" in the ranking categories by priority point modifiers. These modifiers give extra points equal to the factor times the Benefit/Cost (B/C) ratio. The factors include:

- Consolidation of Water Supplies – points equal to 50%

of B/C ratio.

- System Design Capacity Problems – points equal to 25% of B/C ratio.
- Participation in Short/Long Term Assistance Programs – participation only points equal to 5% of B/C ratio. Implementation of technical assistance recommendations points equal to

an additional 5% of B/C ratio.

- Participation in Federal or State Drinking Water Needs Survey – points equal to 10% of B/C ratio.

Documentation of these issues must be addressed within the facilities plan to be eligible for the extra priority points.

## Principal Forgiveness

The program to provide additional assistance to projects funded for disadvantaged communities will continue. Assistance in the form of "Principal Forgiveness" (PF) will be provided to communities that qualify and receive federal funds as part of their reimbursements for construction. A community

may qualify for as much as 45% PF. The amount of PF that a project may be eligible will be determined as outlined in the FFY-2014 IUP for the Disadvantaged Community Program. The amount of PF that a system is eligible is based on the ratio of the median household income (MHI) of the zip code areas that a system serves in relation to

the overall state MHI of \$36,311.

For projects selected in FFY-2014 the amount of PF which a project is eligible is identified on the Priority List of the FFY-2014 IUP.



## FFY- 2015 Program Deadline Details

Eligible loan recipients interested in DWSIRLF funding for construction or repair of drinking water facilities need to do the following in order to be considered for funding in **FFY-2015**:

- Hire a Professional Engineer in accordance with State Law and DWSIRLF Program regulations. If so desired, request a pre-planning conference with program staff.
- By **May 15, 2014**, complete and submit the enclosed ranking form insert to have your project appropriately ranked on the FFY-2015 Priority List.

If a loan applicant previously submitted a ranking form for a prior year's priority list, a new form must be submitted with updated information or a call may be made to Ulysses Conley at 601-576-7518 to update the loan applicant's information. For a project previously ranked on the FFY-2013 Priority List (that did not proceed during FFY-2013 and the loan applicant wants to proceed with the project during FFY-2014) the project will be placed on the Final FFY-2014 Priority List in accordance with the priority system ranking requirements. By

- **July 1, 2014**, it is highly recommended that a draft DWSIRLF facilities plan be completed and submitted to all Intergovernmental Review (IGR) agencies for review and comments. The draft facilities plan may also be submitted to the MSDH to aid in expediting the document review.
- By **August 1, 2014**, provided you have received the IGR agency comments, it is strongly recommended that you advertise for a public hearing on the facilities plan.
- By **October 1, 2014**, submit to MSDH a complete DWSIRLF facilities plan including: all IGR comments; proof-of-publication of advertisement for public hearing; a transcript of the public hearing comments; copies of any comments received from the public; and a summary of how each comment was addressed.

Keep in mind that only those projects which meet the **October 1, 2014**, deadline for submitting a completed facilities plan may be considered for funding on the **FFY-2015 Priority List**.



## Drinking Water Systems Emergency Loan Fund

The Drinking Water Systems Emergency Loan Fund (DWSELF) Program provides loans to counties, municipalities, districts, or other (tax exempt) water organizations for emergency construction, repair or replacement of drinking water facilities (may also be used to add

backup power sources to wells and treatment facilities). This loan program provides a ready funding source for emergency projects.

The Board encourages eligible water organizations throughout the state to utilize this program whenever emergency drinking water projects are needed, including adding backup generators for use in power outages.

The basic provisions of this program are: 1) a current interest rate of 2.0%; 2) no maximum loan limit; 3) a maximum repayment period of five (5) years; 4) a 5.0% Administrative Fee, and 5) the project must meet the definition of an emergency as established in the Program regulations.

It is important to note that loan recipients do not pay interest during the original construction period and that loan repayments do not begin until

after project completion.

Allowable costs for the project may not be incurred prior to the budget period established in the loan agreement, which may not begin more than 30 days prior to receipt of the loan application.

Costs for the project will be paid on a reimbursement basis, based upon the actual allowable expenditures of the loan recipient.

Anyone interested in pursuing a DWSELF loan should see the back of this newsletter for the necessary contact information for assistance.



## Recent Loan Successes

### Good Hope W/A- Marion County - FFY-2012

The association is utilizing DWSIRLF loan funds with CDBG grant funds to construct a new well, upgrade their treatment plant, & rehabilitate water mains to accommodate their merger with Lowlands W/A

### Center W/A - Pearl River County - FY-2010

The association is utilizing DWSRF funds to upgrade mains and construct a new well, treatment plant and an elevated storage tank in order to increase their capacity.

### The City of Corinth - Alcorn County

FFY-2008, FFY-2009, FFY-2010, FFY-2011  
The City received several segmented loans over multiple years to construct a multi-million dollar 10 MGD Surface Water Treatment Facility to supply the City. Loans were also awarded to fund the intake facilities, the raw water and finished water transmission mains.

### Young's W & S Dist - Grenada County - FFY-2011

The district constructed a new 100,000 gallon elevated storage tank to replace the existing elevated bladder tank supplying the water system.

### Jeff Davis W/A - Yalobusha County - FFY-2011

The association constructed a new booster station on their distribution system to improve pressures to homes that were experiencing low pressure.

### Taylorville W/A - Rankin County - FFY-2011

The association constructed a new booster station on their distribution system to improve pressures to homes that were experiencing low pressure.

### NE Copiah W/A - Copiah County - FFY-2011

The association constructed a new supply well to replace an existing older well & installed an automatic meter read system to serve the existing customers.

### McHenry W/A - Stone County - FFY-2010

The association constructed a new water well to replace an existing old well as the water source for the water system.

## Fluoridation Requirements

In 2009, the Mississippi State Board of Health adopted a regulation regarding fluoridation of public water supplies. The regulation currently applies to community water systems (CWS) which served a population of at least 2,000. The regulation requires a CWS to acquire and install fluoridation treatment equipment to maintain fluoride levels within the optimal range. No system will be required to comply unless sufficient funds are available to assist the CWS in obtaining the necessary fluoridation equipment. The State Board of Health and the Local Governments and Rural Water System Improvements Board (Board) has adjusted the project ranking system to reflect the fluoride requirement. A community

water system desiring to build a new or rehabilitate an existing treatment plant or construct a new water well in FFY-2014 or later years, will have to modify their design and planning documents to comply with the fluoride regulation. The public health fluoridation initiative will benefit those citizens who have not been able to receive the benefits of fluoridation. To inquire as to how this will affect the submission of projects, contact the DWSIRLF Contacts listed at the end of this Newsletter. To receive information concerning [grant funds](#) for this program, contact [Sherelda Jones, Community Water Fluoridation Program Administrator](#), at [Sherelda.jones@msdh.state.ms.us](mailto:Sherelda.jones@msdh.state.ms.us) or by calling 601-576-7488.

## Free Technical Assistance to Public Water Supplies

One of the many benefits of the DWSIRLF Program is its ability to fund free technical assistance to public water supplies.

Through a funding set-aside, DWSIRLF can provide intermediate and long-term technical assistance. This assistance can improve a water supply's technical, managerial, and financial capacity, leading to a more financially sound, better operated and managed public water system. Also available to public water systems operators is the Hands-On Operator Training Program. These training sessions, held throughout the state,

provide certified operators with hands-on instruction designed to greatly enhance their knowledge and skills, improving the operation and maintenance of their public water supply.

Finally, the PEER Review Program, in conjunction with the Bureau of Public Water Supply, offers public water supplies an opportunity to improve operations by one-on-one meetings with operators and other water utility personnel in their area. For additional information, see the DWSIRLF Contacts shown at the end of this newsletter.

## New Wellhead Abandonment Program

Does your system have an old well or open hole that poses a contamination risk or is a significant deficiency to your public water supply? The DWSIRLF Program and MSDH can help you abandon that well [at no cost to you](#). The Well Head Abandonment program funded with a

DWSIRLF set-aside will provide the needed funding to properly abandon those wells and open holes [at no cost](#) to the water supply. The Department has retained the services of MsRWA to provide coordination of this program with a licensed well contractor to perform the well

de-commissioning. Currently, the Department is providing this opportunity initially to systems with well related significant deficiencies and high risk wells as defined in the system's source water protection assessment. After those wells are properly

abandoned, funds will then be provided to systems with medium and eventually to low risk wells. Systems interested in obtaining this funding for needed well abandonment should contact Ralph Hayes of this office at 601-576-7518.

# DWSIRLF Request for Ranking and Consideration for Funding

1. Fiscal Year Ranking/Funding Desired (Check one):

FFY-2015 _____ (10/01/14-09/30/15)	FFY-2016 _____ (10/01/15-09/30/16)	FY-2017 _____ (10/01/16-09/30/17)
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2. Entity (Water Assoc, District, Town, City, etc.) Requesting Ranking:  
 PWS Name and ID:  
 Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Entity Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Entity's Consulting Engineer:  
 Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Entity's Legal Counsel:  
 Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Population (Entire service area):	6. # of Connections / # of Population (Affected by proposed project):	7. # of Existing Wells (System-wide):
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8. Zip Codes (List all served by the drinking water facilities):

9. Project Purpose/Need Categories (Check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> a) Primary Drinking Water Stds. Compliance	<input type="checkbox"/> g) Rehab/Replacement of Existing Facilities
<input type="checkbox"/> b) Back-up Well or Emergency Tie-in	<input type="checkbox"/> h) Fluoride Addition
<input type="checkbox"/> c) Pressure Deficiencies	<input type="checkbox"/> i) Secondary Drinking Water Stds. Compliance
<input type="checkbox"/> d) Source Water Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> j) Consolidation
<input type="checkbox"/> e) Service to Existing Unserved Areas	<input type="checkbox"/> k) Other (Explain):
<input type="checkbox"/> f) Additional Supply Needs	

10. Project Description:

11. Consolidation Eligibility

a) Is there an existing regional water supply infrastructure available in the area that could meet the needs proposed by the project?  Yes  No

b) If a) is yes, has the system requesting DWSIRLF Funding researched the possibility of using the regional infrastructure?  Yes  No  N/A

c) If b) is yes, was it determined that using the regional infrastructure is economically and technically feasible?  Yes  No  N/A

Note: If the water supply requesting DWSIRLF funding is in a county with a utility authority, approval of the proposed project by the utility authority may be necessary.

12. Estimated Project Cost Breakdown:

	Total Project Cost	Other Funding	[Other Source]	DWSIRLF Loan
Construction Cost	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____
Construction Contingency (10%)	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____
Planning/Design Services	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____
Construction Phase Services	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____
Equipment, Supplies, and Testing	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____
Total Eligible Cost	\$ _____	\$ _____	[ _____ ]	\$ _____

13. Project Scheduling Information:

Desired Date of Loan Award: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Construction Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Construction Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (Calendar Days)

14. Assertions:

- This request for ranking and consideration for DWSIRLF funding has been authorized by, and is hereby submitted to the Board on behalf of, the entity specified in Item 2, above.
- It is understood that, for the above described project to be appropriately ranked and considered by the Board for funding in a given Fiscal Year (FY), a complete DWSIRLF facilities plan (including all intergovernmental review comments, a transcript of the public hearing comments, plan revisions pursuant to comments, and a summary of how each comment was addressed) must be submitted by the facilities plan deadline for that FY. (Projects for which that deadline is not met, will be listed on the "future planning" portion of the Priority List for that FY.)
- It is understood that, if the requesting entity has existing debt with Rural Utilities Service (RUS), formerly Farmers Home Administration, a copy of the DWSIRLF facilities plan should be submitted to RUS with a request for their approval to incur this additional debt.
- It is understood that the requirements of the DWSIRLF Regulations must be met during all phases (planning, design, construction, etc.) of the project.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Ranking Form Guidelines

The following are instructions for completion of the request for ranking and consideration for funding form

1. Please indicate which Federal fiscal year funding is requested for each project.
  2. PWS ID, system name, name of responsible official, address, phone number(s), and email address of person authorized by entity to request ranking.
  3. Name, address, phone number(s), and email address of entity's registered engineer(s) on the project, if known.
  4. Name, address, phone number(s), and email address of entity's legal counsel who will assist with land acquisition, if known.
  5. Indicate the current population in the loan applicant's service area.
  6. Indicate the number of connections and population which will benefit from this drinking water project for which ranking is requested.
  7. Indicate the number of existing wells utilized by the system.
  8. Identify all zip code areas that are served by the drinking water facility.
  9. Indicate the purpose of the project by checking the appropriate box based on the project descriptions below:
    - a) Projects to facilitate compliance with Primary Drinking Water Standards. To qualify for this category projects must correct deficiencies resulting in non-compliance with the primary drinking water standards.
    - b) Projects to provide additional supply to systems that have neither a back-up well nor an emergency tie-in, that is MSDH approved, to another system to ensure safe drinking water, and thereby protecting the health of the existing population.
    - c) Projects to correct deficiencies that result in existing system failing to maintain minimum acceptable dynamic pressure (20 psi). (Documentation of these problems must be included in the facilities plan.)
    - d) Source Water Protection Projects- Projects to manage potential sources of contaminants/pollutants and/or prevent contaminants/pollutants from reaching sources of drinking water as approved by the MDEQ Groundwater Planning Branch.
    - e) Projects to either expand existing system capacity or construct a new drinking water system to ensure safe drinking water (source, treatment and/or distribution) to serve existing residences/businesses in currently unserved areas.
    - f) Projects to provide additional supply to systems with insufficient back-up water supply sources to ensure safe drinking water, and thereby protect the health of the existing population. As a minimum, a system using ground water should be able to lose any one of the wells supplying the system and still maintain minimum acceptable dynamic pressure throughout the entire system.
    - g) Projects to rehabilitate, replace, protect, or upgrade deteriorated, worn, aged or obsolete equipment, facilities, etc., in order to assure continued, dependable operation of water systems where such systems are already meeting Primary Drinking Water Standards.
    - h) Projects that either rehabilitate existing fluoride treatment facilities at well or treatment plant sites, or add new facilities to existing well or treatment plants.
    - i) Projects to provide treatment that brings systems into compliance with Secondary Drinking Water Standards.
    - j) Projects to consolidate ownership and management of separate existing systems into a single system for purposes other than included in a) through h) above. Consolidation projects are for the purpose of promoting reliability, efficiency and economy of scale that can be achieved with larger water systems.
    - k) Other - Projects that do not meet the criteria of any other listed category, and have been determined loan eligible in accordance with the DWSIRLF loan program regulations.
- Please Note: Projects that are primarily for future growth, development and/or fire protection are not eligible projects under this Program's federal regulations and cannot be funded.**
10. Provide a brief description of the drinking water facilities project for which ranking is requested. If two or more priority categories were checked in project categories, please describe the scope of work for each priority category indicated.
  11. Indicate with the water system has the ability to have its requested infrastructure needs through consolidation with a surrounding utility authority rather than pursue funding for the proposed project. The system may be required to provide a letter of approval for the proposed project in the event that a consolidation is not considered feasible.
  12. Provide a brief cost breakdown of the proposed project. While there is no limit to funding amount, the Board may decide to set a funding limit to prevent a majority of funds being distributed to one entity. To aid in the determination of eligible cost, please use current DWSIRLF loan program regulations.
  13. If known, please indicate the desired date of the loan award. The date selected should be between October 1<sup>st</sup> of the present year and September 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year. Additionally, please indicate the desired construction start date and the anticipated construction time required in calendar days.
  14. This is a certification that the authorized official acknowledges that a completed facilities plan is required in order to be ranked within the priority system. This certification is also a reminder that DWSRF Regulations must be complied with from the planning through the construction process of projects.
  15. After completion, mail to the attention of:
 

Ulysses Conley  
DWSIRLF Program Support Specialist  
MSDH – Bureau of Public Water Supply  
P.O. Box 1700  
Jackson, MS 39215-1700

## The Drinking Water Funding Matrix

This "Funding Matrix" lists sources for potential drinking water funding, as well as, sources for wastewater and storm water funding. These sources include a wide variety of terms and conditions. For

a complete version of the Mississippi "Funding Matrix" that includes all grants and loans for drinking water, wastewater, storm water, and solid waste projects, please see our website at [www.healthymms.com/dwsrf](http://www.healthymms.com/dwsrf).



### Mississippi Drinking Water Funding Matrix

Program	Type of Facilities	Eligible Recipients	Terms / Conditions	Contact
<b>Local Governments &amp; Rural Water Systems Improvements Revolving Fund Loan Program</b>	Drinking Water	Public Entities & Tax Exempt Rural Water Associations	<b>Loan:</b> 1.95% loans for FFY-2015 20 year repayment <b>Participation:</b> 100% or Match <b>Max./Min.:</b> \$5,000,000; or greater at the discretion of the Board	Mississippi State Department of Health Bureau of Public Water Supply (601)576-7518
<b>Local Governments &amp; Rural Water Systems Emergency Loan Fund Program</b>	Drinking Water	Public Entities & Tax Exempt Rural Water Associations	<b>Loan:</b> 2.0% loans w/ 5 yr repayment <b>Participation:</b> 100% or Match <b>Max./Min.:</b> None; at Board's discretion	Mississippi State Department of Health Bureau of Public Water Supply (601)576-7518
<b>Mississippi Business Investment Act Program</b>	Water, Wastewater, Storm Water	Counties and Municipalities	<b>Loan:</b> At least 1 job for every \$15,000 in MBIA \$. Other terms determined by MDA Director. <b>Participation:</b> Must provide \$3 of private funds for each \$1 of MBIA funds <b>Max./Min.:</b> Determined by MDA Director	MS Development Authority (601)359-3552
<b>U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration</b>	Plans, Studies, and Public Infrastructure if included in area CEDS	States, Municipalities, Counties, Indian Tribes and their Dependent Authorities	<b>Grant:</b> Projects must demonstrate need, job creation, and retention. Focused toward economic development <b>Participation:</b> Normally 50% to 80% <b>Max./Min.:</b> Min. \$100,000 Max. \$2,000,000	Economic Development Administration Atlanta Office (404)730-3002 1-800-319-9049 <a href="http://www.eda.gov">www.eda.gov</a>
<b>Appalachian Regional Commission Program</b>	Water, Wastewater	Counties and Municipalities in Appalachian Region	<b>Grant:</b> Projects must demonstrate need, job creation and retention. Focused toward economic development. <b>Participation:</b> 80% Distressed Community, 50% Transitional Community <b>Max./Min.:</b> None	Appalachian Regional Commission Tupelo Office (662)844-1184
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service</b>	Rural Water and Wastewater	Public Entities, Non-Profit Utility Districts / Associations, & Indian Tribes (Pop. < 10k)	<b>Loan &amp; Grant:</b> Rates depend on cost of borrowing from the govt. Call (601)965-5460 for current rate. Repayments: 40 yrs. Non-profits, 35 yrs. Public entities <b>Participation:</b> 100% Loan; Up to 75% Grant <b>Max./Min.:</b> None	Water Programs Division (601)965-5460

# Drinking Water Funding Matrix (cont.)

Program	Type of Facilities	Eligible Recipients	Terms / Conditions	Contact
<b>Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)</b> (Public Facilities)	Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water	Counties and Municipalities (Except Entitlement Communities)	<b>Grant:</b> At least 51% low/moderate income <b>Participation:</b> Specific to each Project <b>Max./Min.:</b> Min. \$100,000; Max. \$600,000, Reg Govt. \$450,000, Small Govt. (Subject to change)	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Community Development Block Grant Program</b> (Economic Dev.)	Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water	Counties and Municipalities (Except Entitlement Communities)	<b>Grant:</b> At least 51% of jobs low/moderate income <b>Participation:</b> Up to 50% <b>Max./Min.:</b> Min. \$100,000 / Max. \$1,000,000 (Subject to change)	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Community Development Block Grant Program</b> (Emergency Public Facilities)	Water, Wastewater	Counties and Municipalities	<b>Grant:</b> At least 51% low/moderate income and for urgent need for correction or threats to health/safety <b>Participation:</b> Up to 100% <b>Max./Min.:</b> Max. \$75,000	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Community Development Block Grant Program</b> (Self Help)	Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water	Counties and Municipalities	<b>Grant:</b> At least 51% low/moderate income. Must exhibit 30% cost savings over trad. methods. <b>Participation:</b> Specific to each project <b>Max./Min.:</b> No Min. / Max. \$100,000	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Small Municipalities and Limited Population Counties Grant Program</b>	Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water	Counties (≤30k), Municipalities (≤10k), Gas Districts	<b>Grant:</b> Improvements must be publicly owned <b>Participation:</b> Up to 100% <b>Max./Min.:</b> No Min. / Max. \$100,000	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Development Infrastructure Program</b>	Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water	Counties and Municipalities	<b>Grant:</b> Must be used in connection w/ economic development projects. Must be publicly owned <b>Participation:</b> Up to 100% <b>Max./Min.:</b> No Min. / Max. \$150,000	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>Capital Improvements Revolving Loan Program</b>	Water, Wastewater, Industrial Storm Water, Brownfield Cleanup	Counties and Municipalities	<b>Loan:</b> Tax Exempt: 2.0%, 20 year repayment. Taxable: 3.0%, 20 year repayment <b>Participation:</b> Up to 100% <b>Max./Min.:</b> Max. \$1,000,000 per year	MS Development Authority (601)359-3179
<b>MS Public Water Fluoridation Program</b>	Water	Community Public Water Systems with ≥ 2K people	<b>Grant:</b> Requires 5-Year Grant Agreement <b>Participation:</b> 100% <b>Max./Min.:</b> None	MS State Department of Health 601-576-7500
<b>Environmental Protection Agency Grants</b>	Varies	Varies	<b>See Website for More Information:</b> <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>	



Guess What!  
The DWSIRLF  
can be used  
to match  
your grants!!



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## Communications – Mailings/E-mail List

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