Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Priority List Ranking

From rule (A.A.C. R18-15-304)

A. The Authority shall rank each project listed on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Priority List based on the priority value of each project. The Authority shall consider the following categories to determine the priority value of each project:

- The Authority shall evaluate the <u>current conditions</u> of the system through the system's rank on the Department's master priority list.
- The Authority shall evaluate the degree to which the project will result in <u>improvement to the water system</u>.
- The Authority shall evaluate the degree to which the project addresses <u>water or energy efficiency</u> or environmentally innovative approaches.
- The Authority shall evaluate the degree to which the project promotes any of the following:
 - a. Consolidation of facilities, operations, and ownership;
 - b. Extending service to existing areas currently served by another facility; or
 - c. A <u>regional</u> approach to operations, management, or new facilities.
- The Authority shall determine whether the project received assistance from the Authority in a <u>previous funding cycle</u>.
- The Authority shall evaluate the applicant's <u>local fiscal capacity</u>.

C. The Authority shall determine the subsidy rate index for each project on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Priority List based on the applicant's local fiscal capacity value and the overall priority value of the project. The Authority shall incorporate the subsidy rate index in the financial assistance agreement.

Drinking Water	Points
Current Condition	100
Water System Improvement	100
Water and Energy Efficiency Index	100
Consolidation and Regionalization	50
Prior Year Funding	50
Local Fiscal Capacity	100
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Priority Value (PPL score)	500