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State Water Control Board

General Notice

Public Comment Period and Public Meeting - FY 2019 Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund Intended Use Plan and Project Priority List

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Introduction: Section 606 of the Water Quality Act of 1987 requires the State to develop an Intended Use Plan (IUP) that identifies the uses of its Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund and to prepare a list of projects targeted for financial assistance with those funds. Following public comment and final Board action, the list of targeted projects for financial assistance becomes the state's yearly clean water revolving loan Project Priority List (PPL) in the IUP.

Funds Available: With substantial revenues coming in from our large loan portfolio, continued federal and state match funding, and moderate loan demand over the last several years, the VCWRLF continues to maintain very healthy account balances. Therefore, even with the potential for reduction in federal appropriations this year, the accumulation of monies that have and will occur in the Fund through loan payments, interest earnings, and de-allocations from leverage accounts will result in enough funding being available during the FY 2019 funding cycle to fund all of the applications received. Final Board approval of the list will not be requested until the December Board meeting.

FY 2019 Program Development: On June 1, 2018 the staff solicited applications from the Commonwealth's localities and wastewater authorities as well as potential land conservation applicants and Brownfield remediation clientele. July 20, 2018 was established as the deadline for receiving applications. DEQ received nine (9) wastewater improvement applications requesting \$77,912,523, two (2) applications for living shoreline projects (\$2,937,800), and one (1) land conservation application for an additional \$20,125,000, bringing the total amount requested to \$100,975,323. All 9 wastewater applications were evaluated in accordance with the program's Funding Distribution Criteria. In keeping with the program objectives and funding prioritization criteria, the staff reviewed project type and impact on state waters, the locality's compliance history and fiscal stress, and the projects' readiness-to-proceed. The land conservation application was reviewed using the Board's evaluation criteria and the staff also received input from the Department of Conservation and Recreation in accordance with the Board guidelines and state law, The 2 living shoreline applications are not ranked. The list of applications in Attachment A is shown in priority funding order based on the Board's prioritization criteria for each project type. Note that each project type (wastewater and land conservation) has separate priority ranking point systems that are not intended to be numerically compared from one type to the other. The recommended project funding list shown below and in Attachment B provides funding for all the applications received. All applications are considered to be of good quality and should provide significant water quality and/or environmental improvement. The staff is recommending that the list be tentatively adopted, subject to the verification of information in the loan applications and public review and comment.

Public Participation: DEQ is presenting the draft list of targeted FY 2019 loan recipients for public review and comment. A public meeting will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 in the 3rd

Floor Conference Room, 1111 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. The public review and comment period will end immediately following the public meeting. Comments or questions should be directed to DEQ staff person listed below. Written comments should include the name, address and telephone number of the presenter.

Attachment A:

| FY 2019 Applicants | Amount Requested | Project Description | Points | Projected Construction Start |
|---------------------|---------------------|---|--------|------------------------------------|
| Wastewater Projects | | | | |
| City of Lynchburg | \$1,500,000.00 | Redesign and construction of Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) 56 Vault along the James River Interceptor to handle both dry weather and wet weather flows. | 359.97 | August 2019 |
| City of Covington | \$5,708,000.00 | Construction of a flow equalization tank, with dedicated pump station and emergency generator along with plant modifications to handle storm events greater than a 1-year 24-hour storm. A Consent Order is being developed for the City and is expected by January 2019. | 347.69 | October 2019 |

| FY 2019 Applicants | Amount Requested | Project Description | Points | Projected Construction Start |
|--------------------|---------------------|--|--------|------------------------------------|
| City of Norfolk | \$10,000,000.00 | Sewer system improvements including six (6) projects involving sewer replacement and one (1) Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System upgrade project. | 286.89 | July 2019 |
| Town of Tazewell | \$10,656,046.00 | Replacement of outdated and failing equipment to change the current treatment process to a modified version of this process, allowing the plant to address lower nitrogen limits which are expected in future permits. | 258.09 | March 2020 |
| Town of Honaker | \$1,152,736.00 | Upgrade the Town's existing Wastewater Treatment Plant with new equipment and technologies to replace outdated equipment and meet regulatory requirements. | 241.54 | June 2019 |

| FY 2019 Applicants | Amount Requested | Project Description | Points | Projected Construction Start |
|---|---------------------|--|--------|------------------------------------|
| Harrisonburg/Rockingham Regional Sewer Authority | \$37,524,000.00 | Phase I: Replace 8,600 linear feet of Lower Black's Run Interceptor subject to inflow and infiltration (I & I) and construction Flow Equalization Basin at North River WWTP. | 236.00 | January 2020 |
| Lee County PSA | \$1,156,300.00 | Extend Force Main from Cross Creek Plant to Dryden collection system and Pennington Gap WWTP. Upgrade existing wet well piping at Dryden pump stations, install new backup generator and add telemetry system. | 235.71 | January 2020 |
| Wise County Public Service Authority | \$815,441.00 | Extend sewer to the Banner Community to eliminate poor or failing drain fields and direct sewage discharges in the Clinch River watershed. | 235.03 | July 2020 |

| FY 2019 Applicants | Amount Requested | Project Description | Points | Projected Construction Start |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------|------------------------------------|
| Alexandria Renew Enterprises | \$9,400,000.00 | Design and construct wet weather pump station and storage tunnel, elimination of junction chamber sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) and relocation; SCADA System upgrade; and process air compressor (PAC) blower replacement. | 186.54 | July 2019 |
| Wastewater Projects subtotal | \$77,912,523.00 | | | |
| Land Conservation Project | | | | |
| The Nature Conservancy | \$20,125,000.00 | Purchase of conservation lands in the Clinch River Watershed. | 460.00 | January 2019 |
| Stormwater Projects subtotal | \$20,125,000.00 | | | |
| Living Shoreline Projects | | | | |

| FY 2019 Applicants | Amount Requested | Project Description | Points | Projected Construction Start |
|---|---------------------|---|--------|------------------------------------|
| James City County | \$2,687,800.00 | Living Shoreline installed on Chickahominy River in Chickahominy Riverfront Park; rock marsh sill and Coir log marsh sill on Gordon Creek; remove failed timber bulkhead and replace with living shoreline and marsh sill for the creation of 0.6 acres of wetland. | N/A | January 2019 |
| Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission | \$250,000.00 | Continue to operate the Middle Peninsula PDC Living Shoreline Incentive Funding Program for homeowners within member localities to install living shorelines to stabilize the water's edge and reduce pollution of surface waters. | N/A | |
| Living Shoreline Projects subtotal | \$2,937,800.00 | | | |
| Total Requested | \$100,975,323.00 | | | |

Attachment B:

| Ranking Points | Applicant | Amount Requested | Projected Construction Start | Staff Recommendations |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Wastewa | ter | | | |
| 359.97 | City of | \$1,500,000.00 | August-19 | \$1,500,000 |

| | | | TOTAL ALL | \$100,975,323 |
|----------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| | subtotal | \$2,937,800.00 | | |
| N/A | Middle Peninsula PDC | \$250,000.00 | | \$250,000 |
| N/A | James City County | \$2,687,800.00 | January-19 | \$2,687,800 |
| Living S | horeline | | | |
| | subtotal | \$20,125,000.00 | | |
| 460.00 | The Nature Conservancy | \$20,125,000.00 | January-19 | \$20,125,000 |
| Land Co | onservation | | | |
| | subtotal | \$77,912,523.00 | | |
| 186.54 | Alexandria Sanitation Authority | \$9,400,000.00 | July-19 | \$9,400,000 |
| 235.03 | Wise County PSA | \$815,441.00 | July-20 | \$815,441 |
| 235.71 | Lee County PSA | \$1,156,300.00 | January-20 | \$1,156,300 |
| 236.00 | Harrisonburg- Rockingham RSA | \$37,524,000.00 | January-20 | \$37,524,000 |
| 241.54 | Town of Honaker | \$1,152,736.00 | June-19 | \$1,152,736 |
| 258.09 | Town of Tazwell | \$10,656,046.00 | March-20 | \$10,656,046 |
| 286.89 | City of Norfolk | \$10,000,000.00 | July-19 | \$10,000,000 |
| 347.69 | City of Covington | \$5,708,000.00 | October-19 | \$5,708,000 |
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