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Webcast Agenda

- Overview Office of Drinking Water (ODW) and Financial & Construction Assistance Program (FCAP)
- 2. What's New for FY20 Construction Funds?
- 3. What's Continued from Previous Years?
- 4. FCAP Funding Eligibility and Program Details
- 5. FCAP Applications Refinance, Construction, and Source Water Protection
- 6. Funding Through Capacity Development





Office of Drinking Water

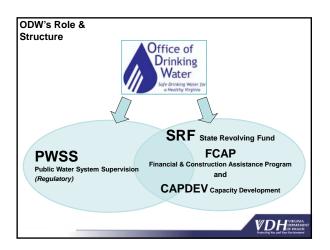
Mission

Protect public health by ensuring that all people in Virginia have access to an adequate supply of clean, safe drinking water that meets federal and state drinking water standards.



http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinking-water/





Office of Drinking Water Funding Sources

ODW manages the following two funding sources:

- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program = federal funds + state match
- Water Supply Assistance Grant (WSAG) Fund Program = all state funds

Note: For all proposed construction projects, regardless of the funding source, please use our Construction Application.



Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) Goal

Provide a comprehensive and integrated technical and financial assistance program to waterworks through a balanced approach of using set-asides and construction funds.



Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund

Construction/Project Funds:

- Correcting public health problems and ensuring compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act and state regulations
- Replacing Aging Infrastructure & Critical Assets
- Other

Set-asides Funds (non-construction):

- Enhance the long term capacity to produce safe drinking water
- Program admin, courses, scholarships, planning & design funds, direct technical assistance, & more!



Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) DWSRF simplified - Follow the Money - Ex. for 2019: EPA grant = \$18.1 M (Determined by Feds, VDH applies annually) \$3.6 M (20% required by each state) \$10.1 M (repayments on past loans) \$31.8 M \$31.8 M \$31.8 M \$35.6 M for Set Asides

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1997 - 2005	\$ 127,723,879	120		
2006	\$ 16,833,000	17		
2007	\$ 12,124,046	15		
2008	\$ 6,193,126	12		
2009	\$ 13,707,176	18		
ARRA	\$ 23,580,837	21		
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2014	\$ 28,182,614	20		
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2016	\$ 16,912,070	24		
2017	\$ 17,435,147	20		
2018	\$ 26,938,449	23		
2019 (expected)	\$ 25,000,000	25		
Total =	\$400,857,119	395		



DWSRF Capitalization Grant Amount

- \$18M (approx.) to be available in 2020
- \$25M (approx.) intended for DWSRF construction projects awards.

Other Items of Interest

- VDH is in a position to fund large capital improvement projects (upwards of \$10 M). Phased approach for very large projects.
- Typical interest rates range from 1.5% to 2.5% with a 20 year term and 2.3% to 3.0% for a 30 year term (for 30 year term needs to be disadvantaged).



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Readiness to Proceed

- Funding offers may not be made to waterworks owners that have <u>more than two</u> open DWSRF funded projects.
- VDH reserves the right to determine this on a case by case basis and will consider many factors including acute and/or chronic health issues.
- Owners should focus their efforts on completing open DWSRF projects that have already been awarded.
- Applicants can withdraw from consideration any open project that they believe are of lesser priority to reduce the number of open DWSRF projects.



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Readiness to Proceed and Timely Use of Funds

- To promote readiness to proceed and timely use of funds, <u>VDH intends to offer reduced interest rates (of up to 25 bps) for recipients that can close loans</u> within 12 months of the award date.
- Time is of the essence!



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Preliminary Engineering Conference Deadline Revised

- A Preliminary Engineering Conference (PEC) is required for all proposed construction projects.
- The deadline to have a PEC with the appropriate ODW Field Office is now March 1 (previously February 15th)
- Please contact your ODW Field Office as soon as possible to schedule the PEC.
- Document PEC and submit minutes with application.
- Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) can be funded as part of the construction application.



What's New for FY20 Construction Funding?

Asset Management Plans

Approximately 50% of the applicants have them, however.

Starting in 2018 all applicants to the DWSRF:

- Required to have an AMP, or Capital Imp. Plan,
- Can include either in their project's const. cost.
- Receive extra DWSRF points in scoring.

The DWSRF and the Cap Dev Division:

- Will provide up to \$15,000 as grant funds for those that do not have a AMP or CIP.
- DWSRF procurement guidelines.
- Will provide a template upon request.
- · Will provide other assistance.
- Will review and track AMP submissions.



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Changes to Disadvantaged Criteria

- To better accommodate waterworks addressing aging infrastructure.
- Disadvantaged waterworks qualifying for 30 year loans and/or principal forgiveness --- must have or will have monthly user rates that <u>exceed</u> the target rates.
- Waterworks may receive disadvantaged designation if taking over another waterworks which would be determined to be disadvantaged under this criteria, is considered failing, under performing, or by providing drinking water service to existing unserved areas with public health challenges.



Changes to Disadvantaged Criteria

The following were eliminated as requirements for being considered disadvantaged:

- Apply for a construction loan to resolve a health or compliance problem;
- Will serve <u>less than 10,000 people</u> on a retail connection basis;
- Have a customer demographic where the Median Household Income (MHI) is 80 percent or less than the state average MHI.
- Be experiencing financial stress. One indication may be a negative cash flow.

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What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Disadvantaged Criteria

- Average monthly residential water user rates <u>exceeds</u> the monthly target user rates.
- Method to determine average monthly residential water user rates is new for FY 20. Discussed on next slide.
- Due to this change, the monthly target user rate will be determined by FCAP Staff at the time of the construction application review.
- Monthly target user rates are set as a percentage of Median Household Income (MHI).



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Reminders regarding Median Household Income (MHI)

- Use MHI from area that benefits from the project.
- Use US Census Website to obtain MHI.
- If US Census Website Data does not appear to be representative of the project area - Income Survey an option.
- Use VDH's Income Survey Template (on website) or use your own if the form is materially the same as ODWs.

Income Survey -- Percent Required

- 100 residential connections and under = 80%
- 101 to 500 residential connections = 75%
- Greater than 500 residential connections = 66.6%



Changes to Method Used to Determine Average Monthly Residential Water User Rate

- Change made in response to stakeholders input.
- Previous method used average monthly water usage data in combination with the waterworks current rate structure.
- ODW will now use actual billing data to determine the avg. monthly residential water user rate.
- See ODW FCAP website for User Rate Analysis spreadsheet.



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Small Construction Projects

- VDH reserves the right to award 100 percent principal forgiveness to small projects -- to reduce program requirements/costs and to expedite awards/disbursements.
- Limited principal forgiveness funds and limited staff to manage high number of small projects.
- VDH reserves the right to limit these 100 percent principal forgiveness offers for small projects that have documented acute and/or chronic health issues.



What's New for FY 20 Construction Funding?

Consolidation/Regionalization

- ODW encourages the consolidation of ownership of small (or failing) systems to better leverage economies of scale and the capacity of the existing/larger system.
- ODW reserves the right to require regionalization for small (or failing) systems to improve financial capacity as a condition of the funding.
- Loans to consolidate (acquire ownership by transfer of assets and liabilities) waterworks may receive special funding if the waterworks to be acquired is considered failing, at-risk of failure, or has inadequate technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity.



Water Line Extension to Serve Failing Private Wells

- ODW will consider providing principal forgiveness (PF) for projects that qualify as disadvantaged.
- Others may be eligible for low interest loans.
- Documentation to support private well issues.
- No funding for private service lines.

Amount of PF per residential connection for actual to target ratio (actual user rate/target user rate) of:

- \$0 ratio less than 1.0 (unless adjusting/raising rates)
- \$12,500 ratio of 1.0 to 1.25
- \$25,000 ratio greater than 1.25



What's Continued From Previous Years?

To be continued...



What's Continued From Previous Years?

More details later in the presentation:

- Lead Service Line Replacement Program.
- Preliminary Engineering Conference (PEC)
 Requirement. Contact the appropriate ODW Field
 Office to schedule this ASAP prior to submitting the
 VDH Construction Application.
- Preliminary Engineering Report can be funded as part of the construction project.
- Design-Build and other alternative project delivery methods.



What's Continued From Previous Years?

Building Financial Sustainability

 VDH reserves the right to require the implementation of rate changes including but not limited to annual rate increases.

How may VDH assist you?

VDH intends to offer reduced interest rates (up to 25 bps) for recipients that commit to compound annual rate increases of at least 2% a year for five years as long as any additional funds generated are for the use of the waterworks.



What's Continued From Previous Years?

Projects in the Eastern Virginia Groundwater <u>Management Area (EVGMA) Only:</u>

- To conserve water in the EVGMA, VDH reserves the right to give precedence to water projects that do <u>not</u> involve withdrawal of groundwater from the coastal plain aquifer over those projects that do withdraw groundwater in the EVGMA.
- VDH will only apply this evaluation to equally ranked projects when both are located in the EVGMA.



Construction Loan Eligibility Criteria

Applicants:

- Current or Future waterworks owners
- · Community type waterworks
- Non-Profit Non-Community type waterworks
- Political Subdivisions (towns, cities, counties) & Public Service Authorities
- Private/investor owned waterworks

Any sized waterworks that meets the above criteria is eligible to apply.

Not for state, tribal, or federally-owned waterworks.



Construction Loan Eligibility Criteria

Project priorities:

- Correct/prevent public health compliance problems,
- Improve the Technical, Managerial, and Financial (TMF) Capacity of the waterworks, and/or
- Improve reliability, sustainability or resiliency

Not meant for:

- Growth or economic development
- Fire protection
- · Reservoirs
- Emergency projects



Construction Loan Eligibility Criteria

Not meant for (continued from previous slide):

Per EPA requirements:

 Water systems that lack adequate technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity or that cannot achieve adequate TMF capacity are <u>ineligible</u> for financial assistance from DWSRF funds.







Construction Loan Eligible Activities

Projects Can Include:

- Preparation of Preliminary Engineering Reports
- Development of Plans and Specifications
- Leak Detection Studies and Water Audits
- Asset Management Plans
- Well Drilling and Development
- Land Acquisition/Conservation Easements for Source Water Protection/Development

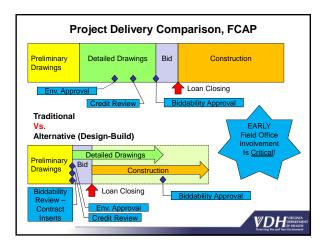
These eligible activities can be included as part of the overall Construction Project!

Drinking Water Funding Program Details

Design-Build

- VDH made revisions to accommodate Design Build and other alternative project delivery methods.
- Locality needs ordinance to authorize alternative project delivery method.
- VDH's first design build project (\$5.6 M in VDH FY 17 funding). Under construction – close to completion.
- Contact VDH as soon as possible to ensure that you will meet all procurement requirements.





Lead Service Line Replacement Program

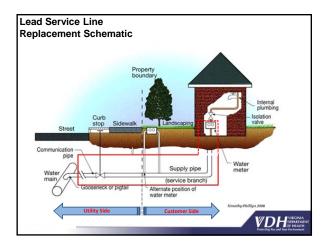
- Eligibility = Community waterworks or non-profit nontransient waterworks owners who have confirmed or suspected lead service lines (includes utility and/or customer portion of the service line).
- Grant rebates of the lesser of the actual cost of replacement or \$5,000 per lead service line (LSL) replaced for the private portion of the lead service line replaced.
- Up to \$500 of the \$5,000 may be used for administrative/investigative work.
- VDH reserves the right to limit the grant to a total of \$500,000 per applicant per funding year, and the administrative costs to \$25,000.



Lead Service Line Replacement Program

- Lead Service Line (LSL) replacement must be a complete replacement (public and private side of the service line).
- Partial replacements are only eligible if the action completes the entire replacement.
- Includes pipe entry at or into the structure up to and including a shut off valve.
- · Excludes premise plumbing.
- VDH funded 3 LSL replacement projects in FY 18 and 3 more in FY19.





Lead Service Line Replacement Program

Required with the quarterly disbursement requests

- Completion of the lead service replacement (e.g. plumbing invoice to property owner or to the waterworks showing the address of the work and total cost of work)
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 Waterworks confirmation completion (e.g. copy of waterworks or final building inspectors report)
- Waterworks payment confirmation of past rebates provided to the home owners or authorized third party to avoid any duplicate payments. Property addresses must be shown.
 Running tally of all residences/addresses that had service line
- Running tally of all residences/addresses that had service line replacements done under this program to avoid any duplicate payments. Property addresses must be shown.



Water Debt - Refinancing

• VDH's Program allows for refinancing local public dept obligations related to drinking water infrastructure.

<u>Criteria:</u>

- Construction started and such debt was incurred after July 1, 1993.
- Davis-Bacon wage requirements met when construction initiated on or after October 30, 2009.
- American Iron and Steel requirements met when plans and specifications approved on or after January 17, 2014.

Privately-owned systems are <u>not</u> eligible for refinancing.



Priority Ranking

As a condition of each capitalization grant ODW must develop a Project Priority List (PPL)

- · Evaluate projects based on an EPA-approved criteria
- Rank projects in priority order
- · Offer funding in strict priority order
- Make the PPL available to the public
- Establish a public comment period/meeting
- Address public comments
- · Allow for EPA review/approval
- Allowed to by-pass projects
- Unfunded projects are welcomed in subsequent years



Priority Ranking

Priority is based on:

- Acute Health issues (e.g. enforcement, BWN, SWTR/TCR violations, GUDI)
- Chronic Health issues (e.g. PMCL violations, lead/copper, FTT-10)
- Public Health (e.g. imp. pressure, reduce leakage, inadequate individual home water supplies, SMCLs, ETT 5 to10)
 - Compliance with Regulations
- · Other Factors:
 - Rates as related to Median Household Income
 - Regionalization
 - Readiness
 - Availability of other funds
 - Projected cost per connection
 - Sustainability/reliability/GPR



However!

While priority is based on Acute, Chronic, Public Health - VDH has funded many types of projects.

Do you need funding assistance for the following? How may we assist you with:

- Aging Water System Infrastructure
- Replacing Critical Water System Assets
- In general "taking care of what you currently have"

We encourage all waterworks owners with eligible projects to apply!

Financial Assistance Packages

Construction Projects and Refinance Loans

- Funding about 20 projects annually
- Average project size is about \$1-2 M.
- Largest projects = \$13 M (complete), \$35 M (in design stage)
- · Core program:
 - 20 year loan term
 - Interest rate is 1% below the 20 year AA municipal bond market. (Currently 1.5% to 2.5%)
- VDH disadvantaged designation:
 - 30 year term, typical interest rate = 2% to 3%
 - Principal forgiveness (grant) funds available if criteria met



Disadvantaged

- Disadvantaged waterworks qualifying for 30 year loans and/or principal forgiveness --- must have or will have average monthly water user rates that exceed the monthly target water rates.
- Target rate = x % x Median Household Income (MHI)
- ODW will determine "x" during the review process.
- Use MHI from area that benefits from project
- ODW will then determine the target rate based on the percentage used for "x".



Financial Assistance Packages

Small Construction Grants

- · Must be designated by VDH as disadvantaged
- VDH reserves the right to limit these 100 percent principal forgiveness offers for small projects that have documented acute and/or chronic health issues.

Construction Loans

- Core term offer (20 year term)
- · Loan with 30 year term if designated by VDH as disadvantaged

Construction Grant and Loan/Grant Blends

Must be designated by VDH as disadvantaged

All Expenditure Reimbursement



Other Items to Note

FCAP Funding:

- Typical timeline is 3.5 yrs from application to completion.
- Many repeat applicants
- Larger projects we have partnered with other sources
- · Other:
 - Credit review by Virginia Resources Authority (VRA) required on all loans
 - Expenditure reimbursement 5 business days
 - Payments start 6 months after project completion
 - No prepayment penalty only borrow what's needed.
 - Bond Counsel is required for Public Entities
 - Letter of Credit is required for Private Entities



Applications

Typical Annual Cycle:

January ODW website updated February ODW Funding Webcast

April 1st Application deadline (construction, refinance, source

water protection)

June/July Funding offers made

Aug./Sept. Award letters

Sept./Oct. Initial meetings

*No Application Fee!

*No Local Match for Most Applications!

*Preliminary Engineering Conference must be scheduled ASAP

On line at: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinking-water/financial-construction-assistance-programs/drinking-water-funding-program-details/

Drinking Water Funding Program Requirements Once our water system is in the DWSRF program what are some of the program requirements?





Drinking Water Funding Program Requirements

Procurement

- All applicants must abide by the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA) for all VDH funded activities.
- All applicants must abide by the EPA's requirement for Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) Good Faith Efforts.
- All procurement for VDH funded activities must be reviewed/approved.



Drinking Water Funding Program Requirements

<u>Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Plans/Specifications</u>

If required by the ODW Field Office:

- PER ODW Field Office and funding agency must review/approve.
- Plans/specifications ODW Field Office and funding agency must review/approve.

Environmental Review

- An environmental review is required for every VDH funded project.
- Environmental Assessment or Categorical Exclusion.



Drinking Water Funding Program Requirements

Davis-Bacon Wage Requirement

Applies for SRF construction projects. The Davis-Bacon Act has been added to the list of Federal cross-cutter

<u>American Iron and Steel Requirements</u>
Applies to SRF construction loan projects with plans and specifications approved on or after 1/17/2014. Funding recipients and contractors certify compliance.

VDH reviews the information above during on-site construction project evaluations.



10 to 15 Minute Break?



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FCAP Applications -Refinance, Construction, and Source **Water Protection**



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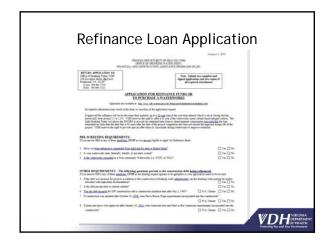
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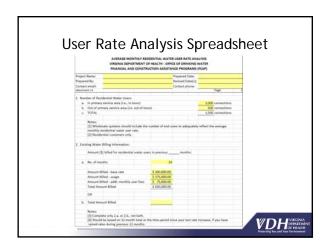
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All Applications - Friendly Reminders

- Federal DUNS and CCR numbers if you don't have these numbers when you apply, please note this.
 These will be <u>required</u> if you receive/accept a VDH funding offer.
- Remember to sign/date the application.
- Please submit all required attachments. If an item is not applicable, then note "N/A". Most items will be applicable.
- Fill out the complete application no blanks please.
- Please submit two complete sets of the application and two complete sets of all required attachments.



What Happens After the Applications Are Submitted?

- April 1 VDH Applications are due every year. Due = postmarked.
- Submit all applications to address listed on first page Richmond Central Office (where they are logged in).
- April 9 April 12, 2019 Applications to be reviewed.
- If application lacks an attachment/further clarification is needed - you and your consultant (if consultant listed on application) will be contacted during this timeframe via e-mail.
- Deadline provided for needed information.



What Happens After the Applications Are Submitted?

- If application is woefully incomplete or the activity applied for isn't eligible, then it will not be scored/ranked.
- After April 9 12th review period, the appropriate ODW Field Office will also review the applications.
- Capacity Development Review (TMF, Waterworks Business Operations Plan required?).
- Scoring/ranking of all applications finalized.
- Approx. June/July 2019 funding offers made.



How May ODW Assist You?

How may the Office of Drinking Water assist you in funding your proposed capital improvement project?

- · Addressing Health Issues
- Regionalization/Consolidation
- Replacing Aging Water System Infrastructure
- Replacing Critical Water System Assets
- And, all other eligible activities

Please contact us to discuss your proposed project!

http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinking-water/financial-construction-assistance-programs/drinking-water-funding-program-details/



Capacity Development Program

Funding through Capacity Development



Funding through Capacity Development

The Division of Capacity Development also provides funding through several opportunities. These include:

Planning and Design Grants

Small Project Engineering Services

"Set-aside" Suggestions

Set-aside suggestions are ideas that interested parties may submit to ODW for state-wide programs to further the promotion of the drinking water industry. Typically this refers to operator training.



Ensuring Adequate Capacity Clean & Safe Drinking Water Source Treatment Distribution Technical, Managerial, & Financial Capacity of Systems Strong, Effective State Programs



Quick Look at Planning Grants

- > Applications Year-round
- > Only for Community and non-profit Nontransient Noncommunity waterworks (Not state or federally owned)
- > Maximum grant amount of \$35,000.



Quick Look at Planning Grants

- ➤ Application Process is competitive
- > Applications not funded in immediately will be reviewed in September for possible funding
- > Virginia Procurement Act requirements apply
- http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/odw/financial/dwfundingprogramdet ails.htm



Eligibility

- Community Waterworks owners
 - Public or
 - Private
 - Not State or Federally owned
- Non-Profit NTNCs
- Fewer than 10,001 persons served by the waterworks
- Documented evidence of non-compliance with State and/or Federal Regulations
- Must show need based on existing rates, MHI, etc



Eligible Projects

- Up to 3 applications/year per waterworks
 - Only 2 can be funded per waterworks per year
 - Must be discrete areas of the waterworks
 - Source
 - Treatment
 - Distribution



Example Projects

- Preliminary Engineering Reports
- Treatment System Evaluations due to MCL exceedances
- Hydraulic Evaluation Distribution System Improvements related to excessive water loss
- Drilling, testing & sampling of test wells to determine source feasibility related to source capacity
- Source water quality/quantity studies were violations have been on-going
- Asset Management Plan (as funding allows)
- Rate Studies (as funding allows)



Funding Available

Planning on funding 6 -8 Grants for FY2018

FY 2017 Statistics:

- received 15 applications totaling approximately \$0.5M
- funded 5 applications totaling approx. \$200,000

The Application process is Competitive



Procurement

- Virginia Procurement Act procedures must be followed
- You will not be reimbursed for expenses incurred before properly procuring services
- MBE / WBE applies
- Failure to properly procure will jeopardize your funding
- We will help walk you through the procurement steps



Payment of Funds

- For Preliminary Engineering Reports (PER)
 - First half may be paid when Engineer submits PER to ODW Field Office
 - Second Half may be paid after approval
- Reimbursement for Expenses
- Turnaround reasonable (and folks in the business know what to expect)



Competitive Application Process

All Planning Grant Applications Will be Scored and Ranked:

- 1. Acute Health Risks
- 2. Chronic Health Risks
- 3. Public Health Risks
- 4. Other



Competitive Application Process

Additional points will be given for:

- Amount of documented water loss
- Size of Waterworks (Small waterworks have priority)
- Documentation of other funding
- Household MHI (Affordability)
- Consolidation / Regionalization

Refer to the Program Design Manual

http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/odw/financial/documents/2016Funding/03-SRF%20Program%20Design%20Manual.pdf



Summary

- Designed for small, rural, financially stressed, community waterworks.
- Funds for planning and design (Environmental Assessment excluded)
- Up to \$35,000 each. Local match of funds are not required.
- Limited to less than 10,001 persons served.
- ODW awards 6-8 per year depending on available funds.
- Additional projects will be considered based on availability of funds.
- Priority given to documented Acute and Chronic Health needs.
- Applications accepted on a year-round basis; with all project scored and ranked for funding in September of each year.
- 15 Month project schedule will be strictly adhered to



Small Project Engineer Services

Designed to fund engineering services at waterworks which may not be able to otherwise afford these services. Eligible waterworks include Community and Non-profit Non-transient Noncommunity systems serving a population of 10,000 persons or less. These services are intended to supplement the Office of Drinking Water's technical assistance services.

SPES utilizes task order requests for initiating projects.



Small Project Engineer Services

The types of engineering projects are small design, or documentation of as-built, and generally include:

- Required as-built drawing and specifications
- Small chemical feed design documents for upgrades
- Design documents for sampling or injection points
- Waterworks Business Operation Plans
- Asset Management Plans



Small Project Engineer Services

Field Office staff can make waterworks referrals to the Director of Capacity Development. Referrals include:

- Waterworks name and PWSID
- Administrative contact
- Telephone number
- E-mail address
- Reason for referral



Small Project Engineer Services

Task orders from the consultants are submitted to the Director of Capacity Development and reviewed for approval. All waterworks in the Field Offices have equal access to project funding. Task orders are on a first-come first-serve basis. Field Office staff reviews task orders to insure the project scope addresses the issue initiating the



Thank You for Participating in the Webcast!



More information at: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinking-water/



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