
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING
FUND
INTENDED USE PLAN FOR THE
FFY2026-2027
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GRANT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
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1. Introduction

In 1996, Congress passed federal amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) establishing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program. The program is administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and uses federal capitalization grant funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and matching funds provided by the State Legislature.

Florida's DWSRF program was established on July 1, 1997, under Chapter 97-236 of the Laws of Florida (codified as section 403.8532, Florida Statutes). The program complies with the provisions of the SDWA section 1452 as implemented through Chapter 62-552, Florida Administrative Code.

To receive the Base Program Capitalization Grant Funding and Investment Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA), signed into law on November 15, 2021, General Supplemental Capitalization Grants, states must submit an Intended Use Plan (IUP) to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Section 1452(b) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires the states to prepare a plan identifying the intended uses of the funds in the DWSRF and describing how those uses support the goals of the State Revolving Fund (SRF). An IUP, meeting the requirements of Section 1452 of the SDWA and regulations, is required for EPA's approval of a grant award and release of awarded funds. The IUP must describe the use of a state's capitalization grants, state match funds, and principal and interest from loan repayments. The plan must also describe the use of other interest earnings of the DWSRF, bond proceeds, funds designated for set-aside activities, and any funds that are to be transferred between the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program and any other monies deposited into the DWSRF. Public engagement is strongly encouraged during the state's solicitation stage to ensure an abundance of diverse applicants as the IUP is being developed.

This IUP is the central component of our DWSRF grant application and communicates our plans to stakeholders who include public water systems, the public, EPA, and other state departments. This IUP provides specific details on key aspects of the program including our state's short- and long- term goals, the prioritization process we use to rank projects and the list of projects eligible to receive funding from available DWSRF funding.

The IUP provides a description of the intended uses of the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the General Supplemental (GS) Capitalization Grant, provided through the Investment Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA), 2021.

Base and IIJA GS Capitalization Grants Summary				
Federal Fiscal Year Grant	Grant Amount	Required Equivalency	Required Minimum Subsidization; (26% Base; 49% IIJA GS)	Maximum Subsidization; (26% Base; 49% IIJA GS)
FFY 2026-2027 Base	\$13,865,000	\$13,865,000	\$3,604,900	\$6,793,850
FFY 2026-2027 IIJA GS	\$89,851,000	\$89,851,000	\$44,009,350	\$44,009,350
Total	\$103,716,000	\$103,716,000	\$47,614,250	\$47,614,250

2. Program Goals

Florida has set its short- and long-term goals of this IUP to align with EPA's strategic goals and objectives [FY 2022-2026 EPA Strategic Plan](#), specifically Goal #5, to Ensure Clean and Safe Water for all communities and Objective 5.1 to Ensure Safe Drinking water and Reliable Water Infrastructure. The Office of Water has identified specific measures that address the strategic goals and objectives outlined by EPA in its strategic plan. Additionally, the EPA Administrator's pillars 1 and 3 are part of the short- and long-term goals of this IUP. The five pillars include:

1. Clean Air, Land, and Water for Every American
2. Restore American Energy Dominance
3. Permitting Reform, Cooperative Federalism, and Cross-Agency Partnership
4. Make the United State the Artificial Intelligence Capital of the World
5. Protecting and Bring Back American Auto Jobs

A. Short Term Goals (Outputs)

- A. Coordinate completion of set-aside work plans for each set-aside activity (Target Completion: Annually).
- B. Support the continuation of source water protection programs.
- C. Coordinate implementation of capacity development strategy with Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) staff (Continuing).
- D. Continue the outreach activities to ensure that systems are aware of and understand DWSRF assistance options and the application process by presenting statewide workshop(s) to publicize the DWSRF program. (Target Completion: Annually).
- E. Target funding for infrastructure projects that make water systems more resilient to all threats – whether it is natural disasters, climate change, or threats such as bioterrorism and cyber-attacks – through presenting at Florida Rural Water Association, American Water Works, and other public forums where Florida's resiliency projects are discussed as well as coordinate with Florida's Resiliency Funding Program on possibly co-funding of projects.
- F. Maintain and improve a program database that integrates drinking water project data with program management data including the DWSRF Priority List.
- G. Assure funds are expended in an expeditious and timely manner, by executing binding agreements in an amount equal to not less than 120 percent of the amount of the Base Program capitalization and IIJA General Supplemental grants payment within 1 year after the receipt of such grant payment.
- H. Assure the technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) integrity of the SRF program by preventing waste, fraud, and abuse.
- I. Enter required data into the EPA Office of Water State Revolving Fund (OWSRF) data system and the Drinking Water National Information System (DWNIMS) to track drinking water projects and report quarterly to the EPA.
- J. To ensure the projects receiving any Federal funds are in compliance with the Build America Buy America (BABA) Act passed by Congress in 2021, concurrently with the IIJA.
- K. To ensure that American Iron & Steel (AIS) and Davis Bacon Act wage rules apply to construction assistance agreements made with funds appropriated under the Base Program Capitalization and IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grants.

- L. To implement the State's DWSRF in compliance with the SDWA and to ensure conformance with Federal crosscutting requirements.
- M. To protect the public health and the environment and promote the completion of cost-effective water treatment, storage, and distribution facilities.

B. Long Term Goals (Outcomes)

- A. Maintain long-term financial integrity of the DWSRF program through the judicious use and management of its assets and by realizing an adequate rate of return. Also, the TMF integrity of the DWSRF program will be assured by preventing fraud, waste and abuse.
- B. To provide a self-perpetuating source of financial assistance for the construction of public water treatment and distribution facilities needed to meet the public health goals of the SDWA.
- C. Strategically use the DWSRF set-aside funds in coordination with the program loans to maximize the DWSRF loan account's impact on achieving affordable compliance and public health protection.
- D. Facilitate allocation of program resources to address the most significant public health and compliance problems by actively working with these systems and the drinking water regulatory staff.
- E. Promote the development of the TMF capability of all public water systems to maintain or come into compliance with state drinking water and federal SDWA requirements.
- F. Encourage the consolidation and/or regionalization of public water systems that lack the capability to operate and maintain systems in a cost-effective manner, thus allowing them to take advantage of the economics of scale available to larger water systems.
- G. Ensure a safe and adequate drinking water supply for the small communities in Florida by maximizing the small community participation in the DWSRF program.
- H. Ensure safe drinking water and reliable water infrastructure by providing funding for projects that ensure compliance with drinking water national primary drinking water rules or return systems to compliance.
- I. Fund projects which will have a positive impact on public health and ensure compliance with the SDWA.
- J. Ensure clean and safe water for Communities by funding projects that prioritize safe drinking water and reliable water infrastructure and protect and restore waterbodies and watersheds by addressing sources of water pollution and projects that ensure water quality standards and protection of the health and needs of all people, environment, and ecosystems.
- K. Provide assistance for projects, which will facilitate compliance with national primary drinking water regulations under Section 1412 of the SDWA or otherwise significantly further the health protection objectives of the Act (Section 1452(a)(2)).
- L. Encourage systems to achieve compliance with the SDWA. The program also encourages projects that provide the greatest protection to public health, and projects which assist systems most in need on a per household basis.
- M. Provide drinking water assistance in an orderly and environmentally sound manner.
- N. Ensured that DWSRF projects are in compliance with the Federal Davis-Bacon Act, AIS requirements, and the BABA requirements.
- O. Make funds available from the FFY 2026-2027 Base Program Capitalization and IIJA GS grants for projects to address infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities.

3. Program Changes

To successfully implement the Base Program Capitalization Grant and IIJA General Supplemental Grant, no changes to the rules of the program was made.

Additionally, DWSRF will continue implementing BABA as stated in 41 USC 8301 for projects funded through both the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA GS Capitalization Grant. BABA will be implemented for this fiscal year and be required for projects funded through the DWSRF. BABA is considered a federal cross-cutting requirement that applies to SRF assistance equivalent to the Base Program Capitalization and IIJA GS Capitalization Grant (i.e., “equivalency” projects). EPA’s SRF regulations 40 CFR 35.3145 and 35.3575 require states and recipients of SRF funds equivalent to the amount of the capitalization grant to comply with federal cross-cutting requirements. Section 70914 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which states when a Buy America preference applies, explains that “none of the funds made available for a Federal financial assistance program for infrastructure may be obligated for a project unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.” Therefore, BABA only applies to projects funded in an amount equivalent to the federal capitalization grants.

6. SRF Data System

The DWSRF will enter required data into the EPA’s OWSFR database to track drinking water projects and report no less than quarterly.

7. Coordination with State Drinking Water Enforcement Agency

The DWSRF will coordinate with funding priorities with the Division of Water Resource Management, the state drinking water enforcement agency. Set-asides for the Division of Water Resource Management are as indicated in **Section 13** and further described in **Attachment F**.

8. Operating Agreement

The DWSRF shall comply with all of the requirements of the DWSRF Operating Agreement made with EPA dated April 1998, including the assurances contained therein. The Operating Agreement is incorporated by reference. The DWSRF is currently working with the EPA to update the Operating Agreement.

Assurances and Specific Proposals

The Department has provided the necessary assurance and certifications as part of the Operating Agreement between the Department and the EPA. The Operating Agreement describes the mutual obligations between EPA and FDEP. The purpose of the Operating Agreement is to provide a framework of procedures to be followed in the management and administration of the DWSRF. FDEP is in the process of amending the Operating Agreement.

The Operating Agreement addresses our commitment to key DWSRF requirements, including:

- Environmental Reviews: The DWSRF will conduct environmental reviews according to the State Environmental Review Process developed for the DWSRF.

- Binding Commitments: The DWSRF will enter into binding commitments for 120 percent of each quarterly grant payment within one year of receipt of the payment.
- Expeditions and Timely Expenditures: The DWSRF will expend all funds in the DWSRF in a timely manner.

Federal Requirements for Equivalency Projects

Many federal requirements apply in an amount equal to the Base Program and IJJA GS capitalization grants. These requirements are:

- Single Audit Act (OMB A-133)
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) compliance
- Federal environmental crosscutters
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) reporting
- Public Awareness Enhancement (Signage)
- Telecommunications Prohibitions
- Build America, Buy America Act
- Title VI requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

In addition to meeting the requirements Florida applies to all projects, these projects must also certify compliance with the DBE requirements and must comply with the FFATA requirements for executive compensation reporting. Furthermore, Florida agrees to comply with all Title VI requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibit activities that are intentionally discriminatory and/or have a discriminatory effect based on race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), age, disability, or sex.

9. Capacity Development and Operator Certification

The DWSRF will continue to demonstrate compliance with the capacity development authority, capacity development strategy, and operator certification program provisions as described in **Attachment F**.

10. Public Notice and Public Meetings

To ensure interested parties were made aware of the August 13, 2025, public meeting, notice of the public meeting for the DWSRF project priority list adoption for the DWSRF Base Program and IJJA General Supplemental project list was published in the Florida Administrative Register, Volume 51, Number 137, on July 16, 2025 (**Attachment A**).

To ensure interested parties were made aware of the February 11, 2026, public meeting, notice of the public meeting for the DWSRF project priority list adoption for the DWSRF Base IJJA General Supplemental project list was published in the Florida Administrative Register, Volume 52, Number 23, on February 4, 2026 (**Attachment A**).

To ensure interested parties were made aware of the May 13, 2026 public meeting, notice of the public meeting for the DWSRF project priority list adoption for the DWSRF Base IJJA General Supplemental project list and associated Intended Use Plan was published in the Florida Administrative Register, Volume 52, Number 88, on May 6, 2026 (**Attachment A**). To ensure the public has an opportunity to

review a draft version of the Intended Use Plan for the Base and IIJA Capitalization Grants, the draft Intended Use Plan was published on the FDEP website one week prior to May 13, 2026, public meeting.

During the public meetings, DWSRF presented and discussed the project lists and draft Base and IIJA General Supplemental IUP. The public comment period was open for 30 days following the public meeting, and **no comments were received (Attachment B)**.

The May 2026 public meeting provides a forum for discussing the overall purpose, format, and content of the IUP including the types of assistance being provided through the DWSRF project account and set-aside account, the long- and short-term goals of the program, the priority system used to rank individual projects, and the proposed list of projects to receive funding from FFY 2026-2027 Base Program and IIJA GS capitalization grants and state funds.

11. Public Health Outputs

DWSRF will continue to assist public health outputs as described in this Intended Use Plan for use of FFY 2026-2027 Base and IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grants and funded from set-asides from the Unliquidated Obligations taken in previous years as described in **Section 13** and **Attachment F**.

12. Program Evaluation Report

DWSRF anticipates receiving and responding to Program Evaluation Report (PER) and audit findings for State Fiscal Year 2024-2025 funding in calendar year 2026, during and following the Annual Review.

13. Sources and Use of the Funds

DWSRF is anticipating funding projects using the FFY 2026-2027 Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA GS Capitalization Grant.

The required state match was approved by the Florida Legislature in the SFY 2026-2027 legislative session and associated legislative budget requests. The DWSRF anticipates using state funds in the amount of 20% of the sum Base Capitalization Grant and IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant for the state match as appropriated.

Other sources of funds include loan repayments of principal and interest, interest on SRF fund cash balances, Service Fees, and fund balances carried forward from FFY 2025-2026. The current sources of funds include:

Sources of Funds	
Sources of Funds	Amount
Base Capitalization Grant	\$13,865,000
Base Capitalization Grant State Match (20%)	\$2,773,000
IIJA General Supplemental Grant	\$89,851,000
IIJA GS Grant State Match	\$17,970,200

Scheduled Loan Repayments ¹ (Principal and Interest) (SFY 2026)	\$50,308,169
Carryover Funds (SFY 2025-2026)	\$0
Projected Service Fees (SFY 2026) ¹	\$2,081,498
Unliquidated Obligations ²	\$6,160,453
Totals	\$183,009,320
Budget Authority (SFY 2025-2026)³	\$253,362,715
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scheduled loan repayments and service fees are funds received from the following Capitalization Grants: Base and IIJA GS, IIJA Lead Service Lines, and American Recovery and Reinvestment. 2. Unliquidated Obligations as presented in the OWSRF is up through April 30, 2026. 3. Budget Authority is the maximum amount of money DWSRF can spend in one year and is what is used to list projects. The Budget Authority includes revolved dollars, capitalization grant estimates, interest on repayments, and interest on the account. 	

If additional funds become available or deobligated, the DWSRF will distribute them through standard DWSRF methods at the next available Project Priority List meeting held quarterly.

No funds from the Base Program Capitalization Grant or the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant will be recaptured through investment earnings.

The Florida DWSRF SFY 2025-2026 project priority listing is included in **Attachment C**. A summary of the outcomes and outputs for the use of the funds to meet equivalency and subsidy requirements are summarized below:

Base Capitalization Grant Equivalency Projects		
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount
Lake Hamilton	53165	\$1,986,495
The Springs Park Area, Inc.	35160	\$230,000
Fort Myers Beach	36080	\$496,501
Pompano Beach ¹	0624C	\$11,152,004
Total Equivalency for FFY2026-2027		\$13,865,000

Total Equivalency Required for FFY2026-2027 Base Capitalization Grant	\$13,865,000
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1. Funds for the project of Pompano Beach (\$30,000,000) will be split between Base (\$11,152,004) and IJJA General Supplemental (\$18,847,996) Capitalization Grants.

IJJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant Equivalency Projects		
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount
Perry	62026	\$100,000
Lake Alfred	53051	\$3,809,168
Sarasota	58025	\$30,000,000
Golf	50152	\$640,000
Wellington	50160	\$4,570,804
Ocala	42090	\$200,000
Pompano Beach ¹	0624C	\$ 18,847,996
Jamaica Bay	50280	\$ 970,000
Eatonville	48021	\$ 175,000
Japanese Gardens Homeowners Corporation, Inc	58071	\$ 8,208,060
Walton Okaloosa Santa Rosa Regional Utility Authority (Holt Water Works, Inc.) ²	17044	\$ 350,832
Bristol	39022	\$ 82,500
Carrabelle	19041	\$ 180,000
Springfield	03056	\$ 1,233,746
Lake Placid	28020	\$ 2,800,000
Astatula ³	35180	\$ 1,477,020
Immokalee ⁴	11014	\$9,568,208
Bonifay	30014	\$ 1,155,596.
Ocean Resorts Co-op, Inc.	56050	\$5,482,070.
Total Equivalency for FFY2026-2027		\$89,851,000
Total Equivalency Required for FFY2026-2027 IJJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant		\$89,851,000

1. Funds for the project of Pompano Beach (\$30,000,000) will be split between Base (\$11,152,004) and IJJA General Supplemental (\$18,847,996) Capitalization Grants.
2. Funds for the project of Walton Okaloosa Santa Rosa Regional Utility Authority (Holt Water Works, Inc.) (\$4,800,00) will be split between TF (\$4,449,168) and IJJA General Supplemental (\$350,832) Capitalization Grant.
3. Funds for the project of Astatula (\$2,845,620) will be split between TF (\$1,368,600) and IJJA General Supplemental (\$1,477,020) Capitalization Grant.
4. Funds for the project of Immokalee (\$10,400,000) will be split between TF (\$831,792) and IJJA General Supplemental (\$9,568,208) Capitalization Grant.

Base Capitalization Grant Subsidy Projects			
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount	Subsidy Amount
Hollywood	0604H	\$12,050,000	\$2,360,000
Jamaica Bay	50280	\$970,000	\$485,000
Bristol	39022	\$82,500	\$41,250
Ocean Resorts Co-op, Inc.	56050	\$5,482,070	\$3,899,397
Total Subsidy for Projects Listed (48.9%)			\$6,785,647
Minimum Subsidy Amount for FFY2025-2026 Base Capitalization Grant (26%)			\$3,604,900
Maximum Subsidy Amount for FFY2025-2026 Base Capitalization Grant (49%)			\$6,793,850

IJJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant Subsidy Projects			
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount	Subsidy Amount
Riviera Beach	5020J	\$30,000,000	\$5,366,674
Pompano Beach	0624C	\$30,000,000	\$6,000,000
Eatonville	4802I	\$175,000	\$87,500
Japanese Gardens Homeowners Corporation, Inc	58071	\$8,208,060	\$5,480,522
Walton Okaloosa Santa Rosa Regional Utility Authority (Holt Water Works, Inc.)	17044	\$4,800,000	\$3,886,080
Carrabelle	19041	\$180,000	\$90,000
Springfield	03056	\$1,233,746	\$616,873
Eagle Lake	53091	\$11,300,000	\$4,188,910
Casselberry	59036	\$11,067,265	\$1,580,127

IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant Subsidy Projects			
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount	Subsidy Amount
Cottage Hill Water Works	17080	\$643,380	\$321,690
White Springs	24010	\$600,000	\$300,000
Century	17034	\$9,100,000	\$8,190,000
Jasper	24033	\$385,000	\$192,500
Wahneta Water Systems, Inc.	53211	\$1,190,400	\$867,087
Lake Placid	28020	\$2,800,000	\$2,154,882
Astatula	35180	\$2,845,620	\$1,608,648
Immokalee	11014	\$10,400,000	\$1,446,674
Green Cove Springs	10044	\$5,346,000	\$1,647,637
Bonifay	30014	\$1,155,596	\$577,798
Total Subsidy for Projects Listed (49.6%)			\$44,603,602
Subsidy Amount Required for FFY2025-2026 IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant (49%)			\$44,026,990

Small System Funding		
Project Sponsor	Project Number	SRF Loan Amount
Perry	62026	\$100,000
Lake Hamilton	53165	\$1,986,495
The Springs Park Area, Inc.	35160	\$230,000
Lake Alfred	53051	\$3,809,168
Fort Myers Beach	36080	\$496,501
Golf	50152	\$640,000
Jamaica Bay	50280	\$970,000
Eatonville	48021	\$175,000
Japanese Gardens Homeowners Corporation, Inc.	58071	\$8,208,060
Walton Okaloosa Santa Rosa Regional Utility Authority (Holt Water Works, Inc.)	17044	\$4,800,000
Bristol	39022	\$82,500

Carrabelle	19041	\$180,000
Springfield	03056	\$1,233,746
Eagle Lake	53091	\$11,300,000
Cottage Hill Water Works	17080	\$643,380
White Springs	24010	\$600,000
Century	17034	\$9,100,000
Jasper	24033	\$385,000
Wahnetta Water Systems, Inc.	53211	\$1,190,400
Lake Placid	28020	\$2,800,000
Astatula	35180	\$2,845,620
Green Cove Springs	10044	\$5,346,000
Bonifay	30014	\$1,155,596
Ocean Resorts Co-op, Inc.	56050	\$5,482,070
Total Small System Funding (61.5%)		\$ 63,759,536
Minimum Small System Funding Required (at Least 15%)		\$ 15,557,400

At the time of this IUP, Florida has Unliquidated Obligations (ULO) related to the Base Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant. The ULOs are as follows:

UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS	
Capitalization Grant	Amount
EPA FFY2024 DWSRF IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant	\$1,252,789.00
EPA FFY2023 DWSRF IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant	\$5,769,140.00
EPA FFY2022 DWSRF IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant	\$2,328,634.75
EPA FFY2022 DWSRF Base Program Capitalization Grant	\$1,382,558.19
EPA FFY2021 DWSRF Base Program Capitalization Grant	\$759,455.00
EPA FFY2020 DWSRF Base Program Capitalization Grant	\$646,719.51
Total Unliquidated Obligations	\$12,139,296.45

The DWSRF intends to expeditiously obligate the remaining Base Capitalization Grant ULOs and the use is described in **Attachment F**.

14. Cash Draw

Attachment D provides the “Automated Clearing House” payment schedule for FFY 2026-2027 funding and identifies the timing of the cash outlays by the Federal government. The anticipated cash draw is for 25% of the Base Program Capitalization Grant and IIJA General Supplemental Grant on a quarterly basis starting in Quarter 1 of FFY 2026-2027. Florida will draw the federal capitalization grants after the required 20% state match has been deposited into the DWSRF trust fund.

15. Loan Agreements and Binding Commitments

DWSRF will assure funds are expended in a timely and expeditious manner, by executing loan agreements and binding commitments (as described in **Section 25**) in an amount equal to not less than 120 percent of the amount of each the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant payment within 1 year after the receipt of such capitalization grant payment.

16. Assistance, Terms, and Fees

The assistance to be provided by both the Base Program General Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant is through loan agreements with subsidization for planning, design, and construction. The funding will be provided as a planning, design, planning & design, or construction loan agreement.

The term of planning and design loan agreements is 10 years, and a construction loan agreement is 20 years, with an option for 30 years for unique circumstances.

Each loan agreement has a minimum 0.2% interest rate. The interest rate for loan agreements is based on the Bloomberg Finance L.P.’s “Bond Buyer” 20-Bond GO Index discounted based on median household income. The average market rate is calculated using the weekly (Friday-Thursday) interest rates within that quarter. Additional interest rate discounts are given for implementation of an Asset Management Plan, American Iron & Steel and Davis-Bacon, if at least 25% of the project/deliverable qualifies as water conservation, and if at least 25% of the project/deliverable qualifies as an alternative water supply.

A loan service fee, currently 2%, of the total loan amount less the portion of the loan for capitalized interest and is not included in the principal of the loan is assessed on each loan agreement.

The fundable project/deliverable priority list for the funds and waiting list, and currently the comprehensive list, is included as **Attachment C**.

17. Transfer of Funds

DWSRF does not anticipate a need to transfer funds to Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF); however, DWSRF does reserve the right to in the future as needed.

18. Cross-Collateralization

DWSRF funds will not be used for debt security. There is no cross-collateralization of programs.

19. Selection of Projects

DWSRF is anticipating funding FFY 2026-2027 projects using the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant. A state match of 20% is required as part of the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant.

For the Base Program Capitalization Grant, a congressional mandatory 14% must be provided as subsidization to eligible recipients. Also, an additional subsidization between 12% and 35% must be provided to disadvantaged communities. Therefore, a minimum of 26% to 49% must be given out as subsidization from the Base Program Capitalization Grant.

For the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant, a mandatory 49% must be provided as subsidization to eligible recipients.

A summary of the subsidization to systems to be provided from the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant and the requirements is located in **Section 11**.

The additional subsidization will be conducted in accordance with the definition of state-defined disadvantaged communities and rule for determining the additional subsidization. The State definition of a small community is a municipality or unincorporated community or other identifiable entity with a total service area population of less than 10,000. A financially disadvantaged community is defined as a municipality, county or agency (such as a county-wide department) thereof, franchised area, or other entity with a defined public water system service jurisdiction having a median household income of less than the statewide average. After providing subsidization to the small and financially disadvantaged communities, should subsidization remain available, financial disadvantaged communities can receive up to 20% subsidization for construction projects/deliverables.

A summary of the subsidization to small communities to be provided and the requirements is located in **Section 11**.

Both federal and state law require a project priority ranking system be developed to determine the priority order of projects/deliverables to be funded through the DWSRF program. As called for by Section 1452(b) of the SDWA, the priority ranking system is designed so that the greatest priority is given to projects/deliverables that:

1. Address the most serious risks to human health
2. Ensure compliance with federal and state drinking water regulations
3. Assist systems most in need on a per household basis (affordability)

DWSRF's priority system was developed under the guidance of a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC reviewed the major compliance issues affecting drinking water systems in our state to determine the most critical needs. The results indicated that an important compliance issue for water systems in the state was related to violations of drinking water quality health standards for microbiological contaminants, some of which could have an adverse impact on human health. It was also noticed that the sources for many systems were determined to be under the direct influence of surface water, and as such, were out of compliance with the surface water treatment rules. In addition, private wells with chemical and microbiological contamination were found to be a serious health risk and this issue was also addressed in the priority system.

The priority system FDEP developed in partnership with the TAC places a focus on projects/deliverables to address these important public health and compliance problems. FDEP developed six baseline categories and three bonus categories for use in the ranking of projects/deliverables. The complete priority system can be found in **Attachment E** and is summarized below:

A. Baseline Categories

Acute Public Health Risks. The highest number of baseline points is given to projects/deliverables that address an acute public health risk problem. The problem may be microbiological contamination that directly affects public health, nitrate/nitrite, lead or copper contamination, or non-compliance with the surface water treatment rule.

Potential Acute Public Health Risks. The second highest number of points is given to systems that exceed 50 percent of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for nitrate, nitrite, or total nitrogen. This priority is also given to projects/deliverables that address disinfection violations, total coliform violations, and to those systems that do not meet the requirements of the Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule.

Chronic Public Health Risks. The next highest priority is given to projects/deliverables that address a primary contaminant violation and to systems that exceed the standards for Radionuclides.

Potential Chronic Public Health Risks. Systems with primary contaminant levels that are within 50% of the MCL or trihalomethane levels within 80% of the MCL are given the next highest priority.

Compliance Issues (Compliance-1 and 2). Violations of the secondary contaminant standards and compliance issues such as not having the minimum number of wells required or not meeting the treatment, storage, power, or distribution requirements receive the next highest number of points. In addition, projects/deliverables that address well setback and well construction requirements or cross-connection/backflow control requirements receive this score.

Other. All projects/deliverables not meeting one of the above categories receive the minimum baseline score.

B. Bonus Categories

Affordability. Up to 75 bonus points are available to systems in financially disadvantaged areas. The actual number of points received is inversely proportional to the median household income.

Population served. Up to 50 bonus points are available to small systems based on the population served. The number of points received is inversely proportional to the population served.

Pro projects/deliverables are identified by systems through a Request for Inclusion (RFI) submittal process. Once an RFI form is received and the projects/deliverables is determined to be ready to proceed, the sponsor's project/deliverable is placed on a comprehensive list of projects. FDEP project engineers review the RFI and assign points to projects/deliverables based on the information provided by the project sponsor.

All project sponsors submitting an RFI are contacted, and the program requirements are discussed. Sponsors that complete all readiness requirements are then eligible to compete for funding.

When two or more projects/deliverables score equally under the project priority system a tie breaking procedure will be used. The project/deliverable that completed the requirements for funding first will receive priority.

Unreserved funds are assigned to projects/deliverables in priority score order until the funds are exhausted. Projects/deliverables for which funding is not available and projects/deliverables that are incompletely funded are placed on the waiting list for consideration in future years.

A project/deliverable must be ready-to-proceed prior to being placed on the fundable portion of the list. If a sponsor fails to execute an assistance agreement or the project/deliverable fails to progress in a timely manner it is subject to bypassing at a subsequent project priority list hearing, up to the amount of funds available.

The fundable project priority list for the SFY 2024-2025 funds and waiting list, currently also the comprehensive list, is included as **Attachment C**.

20. Project/Deliverable Description

A brief project/deliverable description for each selected project is presented on the Project Priority List in **Attachment C**.

21. Green Project Reserve

The State agrees that the funds provided by both the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant may, at the discretion of the State, be used for projects to address infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities.

22. Equivalency Projects

As a 20% state match is required for both the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant, the appropriation for each of the projects/deliverables listed on the Project Priority List (**Attachment C**) and shown in **Section 11**.

Additionally, DWSRF will implement BABA as stated in 41 USC 8301 for projects/deliverables funded through Base and IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grants. BABA will be implemented for this fiscal year and be required for projects/deliverables funded through the DWSRF. EPA's SRF regulations at 40 CFR 35.3145 and 35.3575 require states and recipients of SRF funds equivalent to the amount of the capitalization grant to comply with federal cross-cutting requirements. Section 70914 of the IIJA, which states when a Buy America preference applies, explains that "none of the funds made available for a Federal financial assistance program for infrastructure may be obligated for a projects/deliverables unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project/deliverable are produced in the United States." Therefore, BABA only applies to projects/deliverables funded in an amount equivalent to the federal Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant.

All appropriate DWSRF agreements and all appropriate procurement contracts for any construction project/deliverable carried out in whole or in part with such assistance made available by a drinking water treatment revolving loan fund as authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12), will include a term and condition requiring compliance with the requirements of section 1450(e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C.300j-9(e)). The State will also require that loan recipients, procurement contractors and sub-grantees include such a term and condition in subcontracts and other lower tiered transactions.

23. Bypass Procedure

A project/deliverable must be ready-to-proceed prior to being placed on the fundable portion of the list. If a sponsor fails to execute an assistance agreement or the project/deliverable fails to progress in a timely manner it is subject to bypassing at a subsequent project priority list hearing, up to the amount of funds available.

24. Emergency Funding

Emergency projects are considered a public health hazard and receive higher priority rankings and rank higher on the project priority list.

25. Amending the Project Priority List

DWSRF will continuously amend the project priority list through the course of the year. DWSRF anticipates amending the project priority list on no less than a quarterly basis. Amending the project priority list will be conducted through public noticing and public meetings. As more RFIs are submitted, readjustment of funding may be conducted. Should projects/deliverables not move forward expeditiously DWSRF will utilize the bypass procedure to elevate projects/deliverables from the waiting list to the fundable list to ensure the Base Program Capitalization Grant and the IJJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant are utilized expeditiously.

26. Disadvantaged Communities

For the Base Program Capitalization Grant, a congressional mandatory 14% must be provided as subsidization to eligible recipients. Also, an additional subsidization of 12% to 49% must be provided to disadvantaged communities. Therefore, a minimum of 26% to 49% must be given out as subsidization from the Base Program Capitalization Grant.

For the IJJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant, a mandatory 49% must be provided as subsidization to eligible recipients.

The State definition of a small community is a municipality or unincorporated community or other identifiable entity with a total service area population of less than 10,000. A financially disadvantaged community is defined as a municipality, county or agency (such as a county-wide department) thereof, franchised area, or other entity with a defined public water system service jurisdiction having a median household income of less than the statewide average.

Should subsidization remain available, communities serving a population of 25,000 or less will receive subsidization.

DWSRF will prioritize the small disadvantaged communities to utilize the Base and IJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant by utilizing the additional bonus points in the priority ranking system. The bonus points are calculated as follows:

Median Household Income (MHI) Score:

$$\text{MHI Score} = 100 \times \left(1.00 - \frac{\text{MHI of the Service Area}}{\text{Statewide MHI}} \right)$$

Population Score:

$$\text{Population Score} = 50 - \left(\frac{\text{Population of the Service Area}}{200} \right)$$

Affordability Score:

$$\text{Affordability Score} = \text{MHI Score} + \text{Population Score}$$

The MHI Score shall not be greater than 75 points or less than zero points and be rounded to the nearest whole number. The Population Score shall not be less than zero and rounded to the nearest whole number.

27. Set-Asides

DWSRF does not intend to take set-asides from the Base Program Capitalization Grant or the IJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant.

A. Administration and Technical Assistance - Category DD

DWSRF does not intend to take set-asides for administration of the DWSRF.

B. Small Systems Technical Assistance – Category DE

DWSRF does not intend to take set-asides for small systems technical assistance.

C. State Program Management – Category DF

DWSRF does not intend to take set-asides for state program management.

D. Local Assistance and Other State Programs – Category DG

DWSRF does not intend to take set-asides for local assistance and other state programs.

The ULOs the DWSF has from older Base Capitalization and IJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grants are described to be used as presented in **Attachment F**.

Attachment A - Notice of Public Meetings

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 13, 2025, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual meeting, email Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov for an invitation

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public virtual meeting will commence at 2:00 p.m. until not later than 4:00 p.m., to discuss the issues and recommendations for management of the FY 2026 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program (CWSRF) Base, Infrastructure Investment and Recovery Jobs Act (IIJA) General Supplemental, IIJA Emerging Contaminants, and Supplemental Appropriations for Hurricanes Helene and Milton (SAHM), and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program (DWSRF) Base, IIJA General Supplemental, IIJA Lead Service Line Replacement, and SAHM priority lists of projects to be funded with loans under Chapter 62-503 and Chapter 62-552, Florida Administrative Code, respectively. To request an invitation to the virtual meeting, please send an email to: Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Crystal Fukushima, State Revolving Fund Program, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 3505, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, (850)245-2863, Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 10 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status. Persons who require special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to contact DEP's Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at (850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 11, 2026, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual meeting, email Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov for an invitation

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public virtual meeting will commence at 2:00 p.m. until no later than 4:00 p.m., to discuss the issues and recommendations for management of the FY 2026 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Base, IJJA General Supplemental and FFY2023-2024 IJJA Lead Service Line priority lists of projects to be funded with loans under Chapter 62-552, Florida Administrative Code. To request an invitation to the virtual meeting, please send an email to: Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Crystal Fukushima, State Revolving Fund Program, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 3505, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, (850)245-2863, Crystal.Fukushima@Floridadep.gov.

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Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Department of Environmental Protection, State Revolving Fund Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIMES: May 13, 2026 - 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual meeting, email Cher.Galluzzo@FloridaDEP.gov for an invitation.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public virtual meeting will commence at 2:00 p.m. until no later than 4:00 p.m., to discuss the issues and recommendations for management of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program. This meeting will discuss the CWSRF FY26 Base funding and FY26 Infrastructure Investment and Recovery Jobs Act (IIJA) General Supplemental (GS) funding. The meeting will include discussion of the CWSRF FY26 Base Intended Use Plan (IUP), FY26 IIJA GS IUP, FY26 IIJA Emerging Contaminants (EC) IUP, and priority lists of projects to be funded with loans under Chapter 62-503 of the Florida Administrative Code. (F.A.C.). This meeting will also include a discussion of DWSRF FY26 Base funding, FY26 IIJA GS funding, FY22-24 IIJA Lead Service Line (LSL) funding, as well as discussion of the DWSRF FY26 Base IUP, FY26 IIJA GS IUP, and priority lists of projects to be funded with loans under Chapter 62-552, F.A.C. To request an invitation to the virtual meeting, please send an email to: Cher.Galluzzo@FloridaDEP.gov.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Cher Galluzzo, State Revolving Fund Program, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 3505, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, (850) 245-2902, Cher.Galluzzo@FloridaDEP.gov.

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Attachment B - Public Comments



Written Comments and Responses Received Related to the Intended Use Plan

Comment #	Party	Comment	State Response

Attachment C- Project Priority List

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND BASE PROGRAM AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL CAPITALIZATION GRANT PRIORITY LIST**

DRAFT FOR:
5/13/2026

FUNDABLE PORTION TIER 1, 2, & 3

ATTACHMENT 1: BASE CAPITALIZATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE AND INVESTMENT JOBS ACT GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECT PRIORITY LIST AND COMPREHENSIVE LIST																						
PM	TIER	PRIORITY SCORE	APPLICANT	PROJECT NUMBER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	SMALL COMMUNITY	POPULATION	MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME	PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ADOPTION DATE	LOAN TYPE	LOAN APPLICATION DEADLINE	AGREEMENT DEADLINE	REQUESTED LOAN AMOUNT	AUTHORIZED LOAN AMOUNT	PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS AMOUNT	AMOUNT TO BE REPAYED	EQUIVALENCY APPROPRIATION	SUBSIDY APPROPRIATION
MM	1	645	Perry ¹	62026	30.098797	-83.582209	Yes	8,711	\$ 32,664	2620208	Construction (Increase)	Carbon Filter Addition- Phase 1	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
PB	1	465	Lake Hamilton ¹	53165	28.048623	-81.599307	Yes	1,613	\$ 47,692	6530977	Construction (Segment Increase)	Upgrades to total capacity of potable water treatment, a new raw water supply line, and process/control system upgrades for existing equipment.	8/13/2025	Segment Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 1,986,495	\$ 1,986,495	\$ 1,787,846	\$ 198,649	26-27 Base	25-26 IJJA GS
VP	1	462	The Springs Park Area, Inc. ¹	35160	28.748633	-81.827817	Yes	388	\$ 46,000	3351254	Construction (Increase)	Distribution (Water Main & Meter Replacement)	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000	\$ -	\$ 230,000	26-27 Base	N/A
TO	1	439	Lake Alfred ¹	53051	28.127135	-81.736739	Yes	6,535	\$ 48,203	6530321	Construction (Increase)	Wells, storage tanks, and new WTP to help with redundancy	5/13/2026	Increase	9/10/2026	12/9/2026	\$ 4,319,201	\$ 3,809,168	\$ -	\$ 3,809,168	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
GA	1	421	Polk Regional Water Cooperative ²	53200	27.892945	-81.680373	No	358,595	\$ 62,727	6535760	Planning & Design (Increase)	Planning Loan Increase	5/13/2026	Increase	9/10/2026	12/9/2026	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ -	\$ 1,400,000	TF	TF
VP	1	420	Bay County ²	0302J	30.196935	-85.586565	No	73,311	\$ 71,696	1030050	Construction (Increase)	Water system improvements for resiliency	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 6,408,463	\$ 6,408,463	\$ -	\$ 6,408,463	TF	N/A
VP	1	420	Bay County ²	0302J	30.196935	-85.586565	No	73,311	\$ 71,696	1030050	Construction (Segment Increase)	Water system improvements for resiliency	8/13/2025	Segment Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ -	\$ 6,713,815	\$ 1,342,763	\$ 5,371,052	TF	25-26 IJJA GS
GA	1	413	Polk Regional Water Cooperative ²	53200	27.892945	-81.680373	No	358,595	\$ 62,727	6535760	Construction (Segment Increase)	Southeast LFA Water Production Facility	8/13/2025	Segment Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 116,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 4,081,995	\$ 25,918,005	TF	25-26 IJJA GS
VP	1	316	Fort Myers Beach ¹	36080	27.452139	-81.948139	Yes	5,548	\$ 90,833	5364145	Construction (Increase)	Transmission & Distribution (Phase 4 Estero Blvd Water Main Improv)	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 496,501	\$ 496,501	\$ -	\$ 496,501	26-27 Base	N/A
PB	1	315	Fort Myers ²	36048	26.627953	-81.826956	No	73,040	\$ 57,403	5360102	Construction (Segment Increase)	New Deep Injection Well and WTP Reverse Osmosis Treatment Improvements	8/13/2025	Segment Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 38,559,406	\$ 30,000,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000,000	TF	N/A
VP	1	300	Sarasota ²	58025	27.348063	-82.538574	No	54,842	\$ 68,870	6580326	Construction (Segment Increase)	Utilities System Improvements	8/13/2025	Segment Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 43,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000,000	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
JR	1	135	Golf	50152	26.508914	-80.118439	Yes	3,015	\$ 250,001	4501528	Construction (Increase)	Upgrades and improvements of WTP membrane system, including valves, flow meters and control panels and replace WTP backup emergency power generator	5/13/2026	Increase	9/10/2026	12/9/2026	\$ 640,000	\$ 640,000	\$ -	\$ 640,000	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
MAC	1	100	Wellington	50160	26.655047	-80.238009	No	61,634	\$ 110,294	4500014	Construction (Water Meters) (Increase)	Installation of AMR water meters	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 4,570,804	\$ 4,570,804	\$ -	\$ 4,570,804	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
	1	100	Fairpoint Regional Utility System, Inc.	57021	30.428012	-86.908785	No	61,845	\$ 64,998	1570886	Construction (Increase)	Source, Treatment, Storage, Transmission	8/13/2025	Increase	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	TF	N/A
PB	2	817	Hollywood ²	0604H	26.026042	-80.134810	No	153,864	\$ 60,630	4060642	Construction	Upgrade facility to 4-log treatment	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 12,050,000	\$ 12,050,000	\$ 2,360,000	\$ 9,690,000	TF	26-27 Base
	2	813	Riviera Beach ²	5020J	27.664827	-81.515753	No	40,574	\$ 62,152	4501229	Construction	New 14 MGD Membrane Plant, Wells, Storage, Deep Injection Well, Raw and Fresh Main.	2/11/2026	New Segment	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 242,673,224	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 5,366,674	\$ 24,633,326	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
VP	2	627	Ocala ²	42090	29.206890	-82.090284	No	69,925	\$ 52,121	3420922	Planning & Design	Two Wells, Chem Storage & Feed System, Storage Tanks (6MG), HSP Station, Generators	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 200,000	26-27 IJJA GS	N/A
MM	2	511	Pompano Beach ²	0624C	26.240750	-80.120833	No	112,046	\$ 62,832	4061129	Construction (New Segment)	Expansion of nanofiltration WTP from 10 MGD to 30 MGD and removal of PFAS	8/13/2025	New Segment	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 144,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 24,000,000	26-27 Base: \$11,152,004 26-27 IJJA GS: \$18,847,996	26-27 IJJA GS
VP	3	488	Jamaica Bay ¹	50280	20.542778	-80.121006	Yes	1,654	\$ 40,179	4500686	Design	Design of distribution system replacement	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 970,000	\$ 970,000	\$ 485,000	\$ 485,000	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 Base
	3	487	Eatonville ¹	48021	28.614720	-81.380620	Yes	2,690	\$ 35,509	3480327	Planning	Planning for new water mains(Forest City Road), an emergency interconnect with Maitland, and water main replacement (Neighborhood)	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 87,500	\$ 87,500	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
VP	3	465	Japanese Gardens Homeowners Corporation, Inc. ¹	58071	27.048917	-82.379667	Yes	1,035	\$ 57,000	6580884	Construction	Installation of new water distribution system within existing roadways and extending service lines to connect the new mains.	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 9,811,200	\$ 8,208,060	\$ 5,480,522	\$ 2,727,538	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
PB	3	469	Walton Okaloosa Santa Rosa Regional Utility Authority (Holt Water Works, Inc.) ¹	17044	30.715998	-86.747727	Yes	2,408	\$ 50,792	1460352	Construction	Well, Tank, and Water Main Replacement	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 4,800,000	\$ 4,800,000	\$ 3,886,080	\$ 913,920	26-27 IJJA GS = \$350,832 / TF = \$4,449,168	26-27 IJJA GS
DH	3	476	Bristol ¹	39022	30.426944	-84.979167	Yes	1,249	\$ 48,643	1390087	Planning & Design	Smart Water Meter Replacement, connections to the watermain and ground elevated storage tank	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 82,500	\$ 82,500	\$ 41,250	\$ 41,250	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 Base
PB	3	456	Carrabelle ¹	19041	29.854903	-84.655754	Yes	3,115	\$ 57,143	119118	Planning & Design	Planning and Design of a new well (#5) adjacent to the WTP	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 180,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	437	Springfield ¹	03056	30.155430	-85.616060	Yes	8,157	\$ 51,640	1031048	Design	Water Distribution Rehabilitation/Improvements - Phase 3, 5, 6	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 1,233,746	\$ 1,233,746	\$ 616,873	\$ 616,873	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	437	Eagle Lake ¹	53091	27.961967	-81.737289	Yes	3,382	\$ 70,208	6530492	Construction	Installation of a new ground storage tank with aerator, chlorine injection system, operations building and pump room, pumps, and associated equipment and plumbing and replacement of 6,300 linear feet of water main.	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 11,300,000	\$ 11,300,000	\$ 4,188,910	\$ 7,111,090	TF	26-27 IJJA GS

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PM	TIER	PRIORITY SCORE	APPLICANT	PROJECT NUMBER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	SMALL COMMUNITY	POPULATION	MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME	PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ADOPTION DATE	LOAN TYPE	LOAN APPLICATION DEADLINE	AGREEMENT DEADLINE	REQUESTED LOAN AMOUNT	AUTHORIZED LOAN AMOUNT	PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS AMOUNT	AMOUNT TO BE REPAYED	EQUIVALENCY APPROPRIATION	SUBSIDY APPROPRIATION
	3	419	Casselberry ²	59036	28.612903	-81.301553	No	31,650	\$ 57,816	3590159	Construction	Phase I Water Main Replacement	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 11,067,265	\$ 11,067,265	\$ 1,580,127	\$ 9,487,138	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	418	Cottage Hill Water Works ¹	17080	30.640800	-87.316149	Yes	7,781	\$ 66,829	1170168	Design	700 gpm well, 500,000 gallon elevated water storage tank, 60' x 40' administration building, and a maintenance building.	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 643,380	\$ 643,380	\$ 321,690	\$ 321,690	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	389	White Springs ¹	24010	30.335822	-82.759108	Yes	740	\$ 40,972	2241264	Design (Rollover)	Design for meter replacement, storage, treatment, and distribution	2/11/2026	Increase	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	377	Century ¹	17034	30.977427	-87.260844	Yes	3,350	\$ 26,716	1170613	Construction	Wells, booster pump station, water main connections, and billing software.	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 9,100,000	\$ 9,100,000	\$ 8,190,000	\$ 910,000	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	369	Jasper ¹	24033	30.518183	-82.949028	Yes	4,485	\$ 41,759	2240750	Planning & Design	Planning and Design of a 16-inch water main parallel to the 12-inch main, utilizing the existing City right-of-way (ROW).	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 385,000	\$ 385,000	\$ 192,500	\$ 192,500	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	355	Wahneta Water Systems, Inc. ¹	53211	27.951947	-81.729982	Yes	4,575	\$ 40,634	6531917	Construction	Improvements to drinking water wells, electrical systems, and convert the disinfection system from gas to liquid chlorine.	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 1,190,400	\$ 1,190,400	\$ 867,087	\$ 323,313	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
MM	3	346	Lake Placid ¹	28020	27.293765	-81.358995	Yes	5,000	\$ 40,942	5284133	Construction	Potable Water Distribution Main Extension	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,154,882	\$ 645,118	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	346	Astatula ¹	35180	28.710956	-81.733760	Yes	2,542	\$ 64,542	3355000	Construction	Install one 250,000-gallon ground storage tank, high service pumping station (three 1,000 gpm pumps + 1 low flow pump), 10,000-gallon hydropneumatic tank, 400 kW emergency generator, associated piping/valves, and building	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 2,845,620	\$ 2,845,620	\$ 1,608,648	\$ 1,236,972	26-27 IJJA GS = \$1,477,020 / TF = \$1,368,600	26-27 IJJA GS
	3	336	Immokalee ²	11014	26.410882	-81.427263	No	16,353	\$ 46,143	5110142	Construction (water meters)	Meter replacement	2/11/2026	New	6/11/2026	9/9/2026	\$ 10,400,000	\$ 10,400,000	\$ 1,446,674	\$ 8,953,326	26-27 IJJA GS = \$9,568,208 / TF = \$831,792	26-27 IJJA GS
VP	3	307	Green Cove Springs ¹	10044	30.434166	-81.696455	Yes	9,937	\$ 66,907	2100437	Construction	Pine Avenue Force Main Extension and 1.25 million gallon ground storage tank (GST 2) at the Harbor Road WRF facility	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 5,346,000	\$ 5,346,000	\$ 1,647,637	\$ 3,698,363	TF	26-27 IJJA GS
PB	3	182	Bonifay ¹	30014	30.792205	-85.679319	Yes	2,782	\$ 39,630	1300083	Design	Distribution (Water System Rehabilitation Phases 3, 4 and 5)	8/13/2025	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 1,155,596	\$ 1,155,596	\$ 577,798	\$ 577,798	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 IJJA GS
VP	3	168	Ocean Resorts Co-op, Inc. ¹	56050	27.531714	-80.315556	Yes	1,100	\$ 65,000	4560971	Construction (D-B)	New water distribution system piping throughout the entire development along the existing roadways and extending new service lines to connect the new mains to the existing water meters	2/11/2026	New	12/11/2025	3/11/2026	\$ 5,482,070	\$ 5,482,070	\$ 3,899,397	\$ 1,582,673	26-27 IJJA GS	26-27 Base
TOTALS TOTALS:																	Total Projects Funded: \$ 268,069,883 \$ 58,601,853 \$ 209,468,030					
																	Total Small Communities Funded: \$ 63,759,536					

1. Quali 1. Qualifies as a financially disadvantaged small community.

2. Quali 2. Qualifies as a financially disadvantaged community for construction principal forgiveness only.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
 DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND BASE CAPITALIZATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT PRIORITY LIST FOR
 STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
 WAITING PORTION**

**DRAFT FOR:
5/13/2026**

ATTACHMENT 2: BASE CAPITALIZATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECT PRIORITY WAITING LIST					
PRIORITY SCORE	APPLICANT/ PROJECT NUMBER	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	WAITING LIST LOAN LISTING	PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS AMOUNT
813	Riviera Beach ² / DW-5020J	Construction	New 14 MGD Membrane Plant, Wells, Storage, Deep Injection Well, Raw and Fresh Main.	\$ 212,673,224	\$ -
511	Pompano Beach ² / DW-0624C	Construction	Expansion of nanofiltration WTP from 10 MGD to 30 MGD and removal of PFAS	\$ 114,000,000	\$ -
413	Polk Regional Water Cooperative ² /DW-53200	Construction	Southeast LFA Water Production Facility	\$ 86,000,000	\$ 11,701,718
315	City of Ft. Myers ² / DW-36048	Construction	New Deep Injection Well and WTP Reverse Osmosis Treatment Improvements	\$ 8,559,406	\$ -
300	City of Sarasota ² / DW-58025	Construction	Utilities System Improvements	\$ 13,000,000	\$ -
UNCOMMITTED WAITING PORTION TOTAL:				\$ 221,559,406	\$ 11,701,718

1. Qualifies as a financially disadvantaged small community.
2. Qualifies as a financially disadvantaged community for construction principal forgiveness only.

Attachment D -
Automated Clearinghouse Schedule

ATTACHMENT D

ATTACHMENT D: AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE PAYMENT SCHEUDLE AND CASH DRAWS					
FFY 2026-2027 BASE PROGRAM CAPITALIZATION GRANT AND IIJA GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH), PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND CASH DRAWS					
	FFY 2026- 2027 QTR 1/ SFY2026- 2027 QTR 2	FFY 2026- 2027 QTR 2/ SFY2026- 2027 QTR 3	FFY 2026- 2027 QTR 3 / SFY2026- 2027 QTR 4	FFY 2026- 2027 QTR 4/ SFY2027- 2028 QTR 1	TOTAL*
ACH PAYMENT SCHEDULE – BASE PROGRAM CAPITALIZATION GRANT	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$13,865,000
ACH PAYMENT SCHEDULE – IIJA GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL CAPITALIZATION GRANT	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$89,815,000
CASH DRAW SCHEDULE FOR PROJECTS – BASE PROGRAM CAPITALIZATION GRANT	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$3,466,250	\$13,865,000
CASH DRAW SCHEDULE FOR PROJECTS – IIJA GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL CAPITALIZATION GRANT	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$22,453,750	\$89,815,000

*State match is required for Base Program Capitalization (20%) and the IIJA General Supplemental Capitalization Grant (20%).

Attachment E – Complete Priority System

62-552.300 General Program Information.

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(e) Priority System. Timely submitted projects shall be given priority according to the extent each project is intended to remove, mitigate, or prevent adverse effects on public health and drinking water quality. The final priority score for each project shall be determined as described in subparagraphs 1. through 3., below.

1. Base Priority Score. Each project shall receive a base priority score (BPS) dependent on the weighted average of its components. The BPS shall be determined using the following formula where CPS means the component priority score and CCC means component construction cost or:

$$BPS = [CPS_1 \times CCC_1 + \dots + CPS_n \times CCC_n] / \text{Total Construction Cost}$$

a. Project components shall be assigned a component priority score (CPS) according to the categories in Table 1 below.

Table 1

Project Component	CPS
Acute Public Health Risk 1a. E-Coli or Fecal Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Exceedance (subsection 62-550.310(5), F.A.C.) 1b. Nitrate, Nitrite, or Total Nitrogen MCL Exceedance (subsection 62-550.310(1), F.A.C., Table 1) 1c. Lead or Copper Action Level Exceedance (Rule 62-550.800, F.A.C.) 1d. Surface Water Filtration and Disinfection Noncompliance (subsection 62-550.817(2), F.A.C.)	800 points
Potential Acute Public Health Risk 2a. Nitrate, Nitrite, or Total Nitrogen Exceed 50% of MCL (subsection 62-550.310(1), F.A.C., Table 1) 2b. Microbiological MCL Exceedance (subsection 62-550.310(5), F.A.C.) 2c. Surface Water Enhanced Filtration and Disinfection Noncompliance (subsection 62-550.817(3), F.A.C.) 2d. State Health Officer Certification of Acute Health Risk for Unregulated Microbiological Contaminants 2e. Violation of Disinfection Requirements (subsection 62-555.320(12), F.A.C.)	700 points
Chronic Public Health Risk 3a. Inorganic or Organic Contaminant MCL Exceedance (subsections 62-550.310(1), (4), F.A.C., Tables 1, 4, 5) 3b. Disinfection Byproducts MCL Exceedance (subsection 62-550.310(3), F.A.C., Table 3) 3c. Radionuclide MCL Exceedance (subsection 62-550.310(6), F.A.C.)	600 points
Potential Chronic Public Health Risk 4a. Inorganic or Organic Contaminant Exceed 50% of MCL (subsections 62-550.310(1), (4), F.A.C., Tables 1, 4, 5) 4b. Disinfection Byproducts Exceed 80% of MCL (subsection 62-550.310(3), F.A.C., Table 3) 4c. State Health Officer Certification of Chronic Health Risk for Unregulated Chemical Contaminants	500 points
Compliance-1 5a. Infrastructure upgrades to facilities that are undersized, exceed useful life, or have continual equipment failures 5b. Insufficient water supply source, treatment capacity, or storage 5c. Water distribution system pressure less than 20 psi 5d. Eliminate dead ends and provide adequate looping in a distribution system 5e. Replace distribution mains to correct continual leaks, pipe breaks, and water outages 5f. New public water system or extension of existing system to replace contaminated or low yield residential wells 5g. Lack of significant safety measures (e.g. chemical containment) 5h. Secondary Contaminant MCL Exceedance (Rule 62-550.320, F.A.C.)	400 points

5i. Drinking water supply project as defined in paragraph 403.8532(9)(a), F.S.	
Compliance-2 6a. Treatment, Storage, Power, and Distribution Requirements (Rule 62-555.320, F.A.C.) 6b. Minimum Required Number of Wells (subsection 62-555.315(2), F.A.C.) 6c. Well Set-back and Construction Requirements (Rules 62-555.312 and 62-555.315, F.A.C.) 6d. Cross-Connection Control Requirements (Rule 62-555.360, F.A.C.) 6e. Physical Security Project Documented in a Vulnerability Analysis 6f. Consolidation or regionalization of public water systems 6g. Water/Energy Conservation Project	300 points
7. Other projects, including land or public water system acquisition	100 points

b. Project component scores that are based on contaminant levels shall be justified by sample analytical data. The date samples were collected must be no older than 24-months from the date of submittal of a Request for Inclusion. The sample results shall show an ongoing and current problem with a drinking water quality standard. The project sponsor shall provide documentation demonstrating contaminant levels (e.g. disinfection byproducts) cannot be reduced by adjusting system operations, if applicable. Samples shall be analyzed by a state certified laboratory as defined in Rule 62-550.550, F.A.C.

c. A project component score of 400 points that is based on compliance-1 categories of Table 1 shall be supported by documentation demonstrating the need for the project; otherwise, a component score of 300 points will be assigned.

d. A project sponsor with a qualifying water conservation project is eligible to receive an additional 100 points added to their priority score if the sponsor provides a water conservation plan in accordance with EPA's Water Conservation Plan Guidelines, document number EPA-832-D-98-001, August 6, 1998, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. The sponsor must demonstrate that the proposed project meets the objective of the water conservation plan. This document is available from the Department's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08363>.

e. If 50% or more of residential wells of a given project meet the contamination levels indicated in Table 1 and connect to a new or existing public water system, then the project would be awarded component priority points according to the appropriate public health risk. Surface water flooding of wells of residents with septic drainfields and wells under the direct influence of surface water are considered an unregulated microbiological potential acute public health risk, and require substantiated documentation of occurrence in lieu of sampling data.

2. Affordability Score. The extent of affordability existing in a small community to be served by the project shall be reflected in the priority score. Points shall be awarded based upon two affordability criteria: namely, median household income (MHI) and service area population. These points are to be added to the base priority score. Affordability Score = (MHI Score + Population Score).

a. MHI Score. MHI score shall be derived based on the extent a community's MHI falls below the statewide average. MHI data shall represent all areas to be served by the project sponsor's public water system.

(I) MHI score shall not exceed a maximum of 75 points, shall not be less than zero points, and shall be rounded to the nearest whole number.

(II) MHI score is calculated as follows:

MHI Score = 100 x (1.00 - MHI fraction), MHI fraction is equal to the MHI of the service area divided by the statewide MHI.

b. Population Score. Projects for small systems are generally less affordable than those for larger systems due to a limited rate base from which to recover costs. Special consideration is given to such projects based on service area population. Population data shall represent all areas to be served by the project sponsor's public water system.

(I) Population score shall not be less than zero points and shall be rounded to the nearest whole number.

(II) The population score is calculated as follows:

Population score = 50 - (P/200). P is the population of the service area.

3. Tie-breaking procedure. The sponsor with the larger population will have the higher priority.

Attachment F – Unliquidated Obligation Workplan

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B. Small Systems Technical Assistance (SDWA reference 1452 (g)(2)), Max Allowed: 2%, Taken from Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025-2026 Grant: (2%).

These funds will be used to provide technical assistance and training to small public water supply systems serving fewer than 10,000 people. The grantee providing assistance to small systems will file monthly reports to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). These reports will specify the number of visits (contacts), the type of assistance provided, which requirements of the 1996 amendments of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and 2018 America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) were addressed and whether State Revolving Fund (SRF) program/application assistance was provided.

Overall Approach

DEP's proposed contract with the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026-2027 will fund a total of six drinking water circuit rider FTEs: two engineers, one trainer, and one utility assessment specialist from this SRF set-aside as detailed in Attachment B. Training/technical seminars for public water system (PWS) are included. Some grant funds are also earmarked for special projects. Special projects are field studies of water quality and compliance problems commonly affecting multiple systems.

1. Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) assistance to be provided by circuit riders (\$828,000 total, \$138,000 each) includes the following.

- Assisting with planning in preparation for a DWSRF loan.
- Helping small systems comply with federal value engineering requirements and other state requirements.
- Providing technical assistance to small system operators to improve operation and compliance.
- Helping small systems to find and obtain funding in addition to the DWSRF.
- Training small system operators.
- Assisting with special projects to evaluate compliance problems.

2. DWSRF assistance to be provided by the engineering positions (\$372,000 total, \$186,000 each) includes the following.

- Providing design capacity assessments for small water systems and devising corrective action plans for improving technical, financial and managerial capacity, and business plan development assistance for small systems.

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- Designing and permitting projects for small water systems to correct capacity development and compliance problems. Priority will be given to projects correcting public health risks.
- Preparing facility plans to meet requirements of Florida's DWSRF. This activity will provide an avenue for systems to obtain assistance when funds are not available to prepare the planning documents necessary to receive DWSRF funds or other forms of assistance.
- Reviewing plans and specifications submitted to the DWSRF Program for cost effectiveness and efficiency. This function is intended to maximize the efficiency of the limited funds available for financially disadvantaged community systems and to comply with federal value engineering requirements.
- Assisting small systems to prepare corrective action plans that address capacity development issues and prioritize drinking water system projects within the community.
- Assisting small water systems in achieving compliance with the disinfectants/disinfection by-products rule by evaluating their disinfection process and sampling plan requirements.
- Assisting small systems to comply with federal value engineering requirements.

3. DWSRF assistance to be provided by the trainer position (\$144,000) includes the following.

- Arranging for and providing technical assistance.
- Providing training.
- Mentoring small water system owners and operators.
- Assisting with or conducting special projects as assigned by DEP. Success will be measured by an evaluation of monthly reports and improved compliance from systems receiving training.

4. Utility Assessment Specialist - FRWA (\$138,000).

The utility assessment specialist will arrange for and provide technical assistance, training and mentoring to water systems serving a population of 10,000 or less. This position will also assist water systems with mitigation plans, asset hardening and financial planning. The position will also assist with or conduct special projects as assigned by DEP. As identified in the work plan of G0457, the position will prepare a report that summarizes the results of each completed assessment, including all tasks in the grant work plan. The project is directly related AWIA Section 2005: Drinking Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability.

C. State Program Management (SDWA reference 1452 (g)(2)), Max Allowed: 10%, Taken from Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 Grant:

Process Applications, Inc., (PAI) has conducted training workshops for DEP staff and water system operators during the past several years. These workshops strengthen skills for the development and implementation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Area Wide Optimization Program (AWOP) within drinking water systems.

For FFY 2026-2027, DEP is proposing a total of two introductory sanitary survey inspector training events and one advanced sanitary survey inspector training event. DEP is also proposing at least two optimization workshops geared toward systems that use chloramines for disinfection.

- 1. Sanitary Survey School Inspector Training: Introductory (two 3.5-day events). This training will be held on-site and conducted in person. Each event is \$32,920 (a total of \$65,840 will fund PAI and \$40,000 for regulatory offices), for a total cost of \$105,840.**

PAI will provide in-person sanitary survey training for up to 20 DEP and/or Florida Department of Health (DOH) approved county health department (ACHD) personnel identified by the state agency. These training events will consist of presentations and workshops designed to represent the types of facilities and issues that inspectors would see in the field. The training will focus on the content of the sanitary survey training developed by EPA and cover the eight essential elements of a sanitary survey specified by the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The training will also cover other areas of interest related to sanitary surveys, such as regulations, identifying cross-connections and preparing for and following up on sanitary surveys. For each event, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday training days will consist of half-day classroom training sessions with half-day field events at host water systems, and training will conclude on Friday with a final half-day classroom training session. Two PAI staff members will conduct each 3.5-day event and will communicate with the DEP or ACHD coordinator to determine training logistics.

- 2. Sanitary Survey School Inspector Training: Advanced (two 3.5-day event). This training will be held on-site and conducted in person. The event is \$45,680 (a total of \$91,360 will fund PAI and \$40,000 for regulatory offices), for a total cost of \$131,360.**

This training event will be based on the sanitary survey training developed by EPA and will go into depth on advanced topics selected by DEP or ACHD inspectors and PAI trainers. The training will begin on Monday of each training week with the trainers and training coordinator visiting the water systems hosting the training's field events. These visits will allow the trainers to become familiar with the host water

system facilities and will assist them in planning small group evaluations. It will also provide an opportunity for the trainers to meet the host facility operators and brief them on what to expect during the field exercises. For each event, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday training days will consist of half-day classroom sessions with half-day field events at host water systems and will conclude on Friday with a final half-day classroom training session. Two PAI staff members will conduct the 3.5-day event and will communicate with the DEP or ACHD coordinator to determine training logistics.

- 3. Chloramine Workshop (two 1.5-day workshops). This training will be held on-site and conducted in person. Each workshop is \$47,160 (a total of \$47,160 will fund PAI and \$30,000 for regulatory offices), for a total cost of \$77,160.**

This training will focus on optimization principles for systems that use chloramines for disinfection. Each training event will accommodate up to 20 trainees and will include a hands-on workshop at a host water system. Two PAI staff members will conduct the training will work with the DEP or ACHD coordinator to determine training logistics. The training will include information on the optimization goals and process control measures for systems that use chloramines. Workshops will show participants how to determine whether a system is operating within the correct range in the breakpoint chlorination curve and where systems should be sampling to assess performance on an ongoing basis. Participants will learn how to calculate disinfectant doses and operating ratios needed to assess performance. The topic of naturally occurring ammonia in source waters and related monitoring and process control will be included in the training if this situation is prevalent among Florida systems. All presentations and workshops will be designed to provide participants with the background needed to assess performance and assist water systems using chloramines.

- 4. Chloramine Optimization Site Visit (three one-day, on-site visits to water systems practicing chloramination). Each event is \$45,375 (a total of \$136,125 will fund PAI and \$45,000 for regulatory offices), for a total cost of \$181,125.**

Chloramination Optimization Application and Optimization Skills Development Option 2A (optional site visit to gather information to tailor training described in subsequent section to water system needs). This visit would provide an on-site assessment of selected water systems currently practicing chloramination. The purpose of the site visit will be to document current chloramination practices, identify the level of the water system understanding of chloramination process control, document related historical performance and operational data and assess the potential role for technical assistance providers or other partners to gather similar

information at additional water systems. Technical assistance providers and other designated partners may be invited to attend these system visits with PAI staff for support. It is anticipated that site visits will be conducted at two to four water systems, depending on size and complexity of operations. Preliminary findings will be reviewed with DEP staff during a meeting at the end of the site visit week (this may also be completed later during an online meeting). Findings from the site visit will be used to tailor chloramination training for Florida water systems that practice chloramination and technical assistance providers. Findings could also be used to develop resources for technical assistance providers and other designated partners to support data collection from additional chloramination systems.

5. FlaWARN (\$219,000).

Florida Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (FlaWARN) is a critical component of DEP's Water Facility Emergency Response and Recovery Network. The primary mission of FlaWARN is to assist critical public water facilities with preparation, response, recovery and mitigation activities, which serve to protect public health and expedite return to service during times of need in accordance with the state's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and DEP Directive 971. This funding will provide uninterrupted administration and operation of the FlaWARN program for the 2026-2027 hurricane season.

6. WATER Tracker application (\$1,000,000).

DEP has developed an improved software application, the Florida Event Tracking Program, for drinking water and wastewater facilities. This application includes the needs of DEP, FlaWARN and FRWA for emergency events. The application allows Florida's drinking water and wastewater utilities to report operational status, resource needs and resources available following significant emergency events. New features and functions added to WATER Tracker last fiscal year include a mobile application that also works without an internet connection, ability for parent organizations to use an Excel template to upload status for hundreds of facilities at once, enhanced texting features including requesting assistance after an event, administrative capability to edit system-generated emails, including content and distribution, and a simplified "Get Help" feature for facilities.