#### **COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

#### **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

#### ELECTRONICAPPLICATION OF ROWAN WATER,)CASE NO.INC. FOR APPROVAL OF WATER TRAINING)2025-00133

#### **NOTICE OF FILING**

Comes now Rowan Water, Inc., its individual directors and its general manager

(collectively, "Rowan Water"), and Honaker Law Office, PLLC ("Joint Applicants") to give notice

of the filing of the following documents:

- 1. A sworn statement attending that the accredited instruction entitled "**Rowan Water 2025 Training**" was performed on June 12, 2025 (Exhibit 1).
- 2. There were minor editing changes made to the materials proposed as curriculum filed with the Commission and an agenda, and a copy of the final edited presentation provided in electronic form to the attendees is attached as Exhibit 2.
- 3. The name of each attending water utility Commissioner, Director, and Manager and the number of hours that they attended is attached as Exhibit 3.
- 4. Attendees appeared in person.
- 5. The only written materials provided to the attendees were copies of the agenda.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that foregoing was submitted electronically to the Commission on July 10, 2025 and that there are no parties that have been excused from electronic filing. Pursuant to prior Commission orders, no paper copies of this filing will be submitted.

Counsel for Rowan Water, Inc.

#### Exhibit 1

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### **COUNTY OF FAYETTE**

#### AFFIDAVIT

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L. Allyson Honaker of Honaker Law Office, PLLC, Counsel for Rowan Water, Inc., being duly sworn, states that:

- 1. She has served as organizer and presenter of the water training program entitled "**Rowan Water 2025 Training**" in the above-referenced case.
- 2. "**Rowan Water 2025 Training**" was held on June 12, 2025, at the offices of Rowan County Water Association, 1765 Christy Creek Road, Morehead, Kentucky 40351.
- 3. The presentations listed in the proposed agenda submitted to the Kentucky Public Service Commission in this matter were conducted for the length of time specified, a total of 5 hours of instruction.
- 4. Each attendee was provided in paper medium a copy of the agenda and each presentation was provided in electronic form.

J. Allyson Honker

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The foregoing Verification was signed, acknowledged and sworn to before me this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025, by L. Allyson Honaker of Honaker Law Office, PLLC, Counsel for Rowan Water, Inc..

Notary Commission No. KTN7 98715

Commission expiration: April 9, 2029

#### Exhibit 2

# Kentucky Infrastructure Authority

#### Grant and Loan Programs

#### June 12, 2025







## Authorization of KIA

- Created by General Assembly

   Collaboration with DOW under Memorandum of Agreement

   Purpose:

   Provide Financial Assistance for Water / Wastewater Facilities
   Maintain Water Resources Information System
- 11 member Board of Directors







### KIA Board – Ex-Officio Members

#### **Five Ex-Officio members:**

- Commissioner of Department for Local Government
- Secretary of Finance and Administration Cabinet
- Secretary of Cabinet for Economic Development
- Secretary of Energy and Environment Cabinet
- Executive Director of Public Service Commission







### KIA Board – At Large Members

#### Six at-large members appointed by the Governor:

- Kentucky Association of Counties
- Kentucky League of Cities
- Kentucky Rural Water Association
- Kentucky Section of the American Water Works Association
- Kentucky Municipal Utilities Association
- For-Profit Water Companies







### **KIA Primary Functions**

• Administer Loan Programs for eligible infrastructure projects

- Administer Grants identified by the General Assembly, including water and sewer projects
- Maintain the Water Resource Information System (WRIS) and provide technical support to the Water Management Councils







### Overview of KIA

- \$1.67 billion in assets
- Administering 845 grants
- 583 active loans
  - 4 programs
  - 2 state programs, 2 federal programs
- 227 borrowers









## Eligible Infrastructure Projects

- Construction or acquisition of treatment works, distribution facilities, water resources projects
- Solid waste projects, dams, storm water control treatment systems
- Gas or electric utility
- Or any other public utility or public service project which the authority finds would assist in carrying out the purposes set out in KRS 224A.300







# **Eligible Borrowers**

- Governmental Agencies
  - City
  - County
  - Water and Sewer/Sanitation District
  - Water Association
  - Water Commission

 For the CWSRF or DWSRF Programs, the project MUST BE listed on the SRF Priority List







#### **KIA Loan Programs**

- Clean Water State Revolving Fund (Fund A) Federal
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (Fund F) Federal
- Infrastructure Revolving Fund (Fund B) State
- Governmental Agencies Program (Fund C) State







### Available Loan Funds

Loan Program	FY26 Funding	
Fund A (CWSRF)	\$120,848,780	
Fund F (DWSRF)	\$89,671,079	
Fund B	\$11,391,124	
Fund C	\$11,457,830	
Total	\$233,368,813	







## Where do we get our money? (Funds A & F)









# Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA)

- Signed into law in November 2021
- Historic investment in drinking water and wastewater systems
- Over \$40 billion across United States
- 5 additional capitalization grants for over 5 years
- Over \$500 million estimated to Kentucky
- Additional principal forgiveness, federal requirements







### Where do we get our money? (Funds B & C)









### Current Interest Rates

- Funds A,B, and F
  - Standard rate -
  - Non-standard (a) rate -
  - Non-standard (b) rate -
- Fund C
  - 1 5 years 1.75%
  - 6 10 years 2.25%
  - 11 20 years -

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2.75%

2.25%

1.25%

0.50%





# **Principal Forgiveness**

- Additional subsidization provided in disadvantaged communities
- System area MHI
- Project area MHI
- Affordability Index Annual cost per 4,000 gallons/MHI







# Funds B/C Loan Process

- First Come, First Serve
- Letter of Intent
- Funding Invitation
- Application Documents
- Credit Analysis
- Approvals (KIA/CPBO)
- Loan Agreement









## **Getting Started**

- Contact ADD Water Management Coordinator
- Pre-Application Form
  - Project description/need
  - Budget
  - Project schedule
  - Detailed project info
- WRIS Project Profile









# Funds A/F Loan Process

- Call for Projects
- DOW Scores/Ranks Projects
- KIA Project Priority List
- Loan Invitations
- Application Documents
- Credit Analysis
- Approvals (KIA/CPBO)
- Loan Agreement









## Funds A (CWSRF) and F (DWSRF) Pre-application

#### WRIS Portal

Kentucky.gov	Kentucky WRIS Portal						
Kentucky Intrastructure Authority Office of the Governor	WRIS Project Profile			Login: Login			
About Us Loan Programs Loan Calculator WRIS Internet Mapping WRIS Portal System Data Project Profile Data Cleaner Water	Search the WRIS for drinking water or waste water projects by entering an Regulatory Framework:       Safe Drinking Water Act (Water) •         Area Dev. Dist. (ADD):       •         Legislative District:       •         Planning Unit:       •         Primary County:       •         Funding Status:       •	Kentucky Area Development Districts (KIPOA BGADD BGAD					
Program Funding SRF Project Funding Area Water Management Planning Councils Downloadable Reports	Project Applicant:       •         Project Beneficiary:       •         KIA Loan Number:       •         Project Administrator::       •         Project Engineer:       •	District Type       Sort Option <ul> <li>Kentucky House</li> <li>By District Number</li> <li>Kentucky Senate</li> <li>By Legislator</li> <li>Congressional</li> </ul> Document Downloads					
Water Management Coordinators ADD GIS Staff Legislation & Regulations	Project Number*: Project Title*: Include constructed projects in this search. Clear Query Submit Query * Indicates a fuzzy search will be performed on these fields.	Download CWSRF Guidance Document           Download DWSRF Guidance Document           Download Clean Water Pre-Application Form           Download Drinking Water Pre-Application Form           Download Asset Management Plan and Service Line Inventory Verification Form	DWSRF Pre-Application Form				
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The Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requires that Kentucky's federally funded Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs (SRF), comply with domestic preference requirements for iron and steel, manufactured products and construction materials.







### Build America, Buy America Act

Which SRF projects are "federally funded"?

- All Lead Service Line (inventory or replacement) projects.
- All Emerging Contaminants projects.
- Any project designated as an "equivalency" project.







#### **BABA Requirements**

- All iron and steel items used in SRF projects must be produced in the United States. This requirement is the same as the American Iron and Steel (AIS) SRF requirement. This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occur in the United States.
- All manufactured products used in SRF projects must be produced in the United States. This means the product was manufactured in the United States, and the cost of the components of the product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55% of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product.
- All construction materials used in SRF projects must be manufactured in the United States. This means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material must occur in the United States.







#### KY WWATERS

Kentucky Water and Wastewater Assistance for Troubled or Economically Restrained Systems

- KIA accepts and reviews applications and performs credit analysis
- Kentucky General Assembly decides who gets loan funding during the 2025 Session
- KIA administers the financing after the session is ended (March 2025)
- \$75 million available in 2025 and 2026 (\$150 million total)







#### KY WWATERS

KY WWATERS Report

~~ 2025 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly ~~

- House Joint Resolution (HJR) 30
  - Fiscal year 2024-2025 list of funded projects
  - Authorizes release of \$21,609,500 from fiscal year 2025-2026
  - \$53,390,500 available for fiscal year 2025-2026
- House Bill 741 updated the program but did not pass during the session







- Accepting Year Two Applications through end of August
- December 1 Provide project applications and scores to General Assembly
- January 2026 March 2026 General Assembly will select projects to receive funding
- April 2026 KIA will contact the applicants with approved loan terms







# Eligible Applicant Must Have at least 1:

- Service Area MHI < State MHI;
- User rate affordability > 1% of annual MHI;
- No audit in at least one (1) of the prior three (3) years;
- Negative income in any two (2) of the previous five (5) years;
- Debt service coverage ratio < 1.1 in any three (3) of the previous five (5) years;</li>

- Accounts payable turnover ratio < 1
- Days' sales in accounts receivable ratio > fortyfive (45) days;
- Notice of violation or agreed order in the past year;
- Water loss percentage > thirty percent (30%);







#### What Type of Projects Can Be Funded by KY WWATERS?

- Capital Construction Projects and...
- Developing technical, operational, and maintenance resources and expertise;
- Improving utility infrastructure planning, repair, maintenance, renovation, and management of plants and assets;
- Obtaining technical expertise in areas of rate-setting, cost-of-service, and proper utility accounting standards for the utility type;
- Performing and correcting deficiencies from drinking water, wastewater, and financial audits;

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- Financial inadequacies, including debt service coverage through relief or refinance of debt;
- Payment assistance for excessive maintenance costs, fines and penalties from past violations, or consultants; and
- Inadequately maintained distribution, collection, or treatment works, including service extensions to unserved or underserved areas and the renovation of treatment works to conserve resources;







### Current KY WWATERS Interest Rates

#### KY WWATERS

- Standard rate -
- Non-standard (a) rate -
- Non-standard (b) rate -

1.75% 0.75% 0.00%







# Questions

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#### 502-573-0260







#### Exhibit 3

Attendance June 12, 2025	Rowan Co	ounty Sum	mer Tr	aining
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Randy Cox	Inc.		Ju. bull	6
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Ronnie Crisp	Inc.	,		
	Rowan Water			-
Duane Dehart	Inc.		Due John	15
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