

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
CLEAN WATER FINANCING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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SUBJECT: Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund – FY 2021 Annual Solicitation of Applications for Financial Assistance

TO: Potential Loan Recipients

FROM: DEQ – Clean Water Financing and Assistance Program (CWFAP)

DATE: June 1, 2020

On behalf of the State Water Control Board (SWCB), we are pleased to announce the Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) **FY 2021** annual solicitation of applications for financial assistance through the Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund (VCWRLF).

VCWRLF applications are being solicited for projects that involve improvements to **publicly-owned wastewater collection and treatment facilities**, installation of **publicly-owned stormwater best management practices**, projects for the remediation of contaminated **brownfield properties, land conservation projects, and living shoreline projects**.

Eligible **brownfield** loan recipients are units of local government, public service authorities, partnerships or corporations.

Eligible **land conservation** loan recipients are state and local governments, public service authorities, and registered nonprofit organizations.

Eligible **living shoreline** loan recipients are local governments and specific small businesses located within the Rural Coastal Virginia Community Enhancement Authority. Eligible small businesses include bed-and-breakfast operations, campgrounds, restaurants, and businesses that use working waterfronts. Local governments can also apply for funding to establish a local program for individual citizens to establish living shoreline on their properties to protect or improve water quality.

Special consideration may be given to projects that meet the Green Project Reserve guidelines (see descriptive excerpt on our CWFAP website under the Applications and Info tab).

We anticipate that the SWCB should have over \$100 million in funds available for distribution during **FY 2021**. Should demand for water quality or public health related projects exceed availability, these funds may be leveraged in the municipal bond market to increase the amount of assistance available.

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, July 10, 2020 or hand delivered by 5:00 p.m. on July 10, 2020. Please submit three (3) copies to the Central Office and one (1) copy to the Regional Office, if listed on the next page. If your Regional Office is not listed, please submit four (4) copies to the Central Office.

We plan to evaluate the applications received and present a proposed funding list to the DEQ Director in September 2020.

For more details regarding the programs offered, the application process or assistance in completing the application, please contact Pantea Westermann in the Central Office or your closest regional representative (see VCWRLF contact directory on next page).

Information on the VCWRLF, including the *Virginia Wastewater Revolving Loan Fund Program Design Manual and Guidelines*, *Virginia Brownfield Remediation Loan Program Guidelines*, *Virginia Land Conservation Loan Program Guidelines*, *Stormwater Loan Program Guidelines*, *Living Shorelines Loan Program Guidelines*, Green Project Reserve, and application forms for each loan program can be accessed on DEQ's web site:

www.deq.virginia.gov/programs/water/cleanwaterfinancingassistance.aspx

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