

# KY WWATERS

# Additional Funding Opportunities at KIA

## KY WWATERS PROGRAM

### 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 2026 Session
- KIA administers the financing after the session is ended (April 2026)
- \$53 million available in 2026

# KY WWATERS Timeline

- Accept Applications through end of August
- December 1 – Provide project applications and scores to General Assembly
- January 2026 – April 2026 – General Assembly will select projects to receive funding
- April/May 2026 – KIA will contact the applicants

# 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;
- Accounts payable turnover ratio < 1
- Days' sales in accounts receivable ratio > forty-five (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;

# Questions??

# Cleaner Water Grants

# CWP Appropriation History

- CWP – Round 1
- 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly (SB 36)
- \$250 million
  - \$150,000,000 County Allocation
  - \$50,000,000 unserved/consent decree
  - \$49,925,000 supplemental
  - \$75,000 administration
- CWP – Round 2
- 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly (HB 1)
- \$250 million
  - \$249,925,000 County Allocation
  - \$75,000 administration



# Deadline

- December 31, 2026

# Things we will be doing:

- We will be sending an email and a letter to the grantees that are not moving.
- We will be holding regular meetings with our planners and our grantees that are experiencing more challenges

# Things you can do to help:

- Get with your utilities and make sure there is movement on all your Cleaner Water Grants
- Set up meetings with KIA if needed
- Plan for the last year

# Nicholas County Water District





# Before



# After





# After



# Nicholas County Water District

Before



Currently





# Nicholas County Water District

Before



After

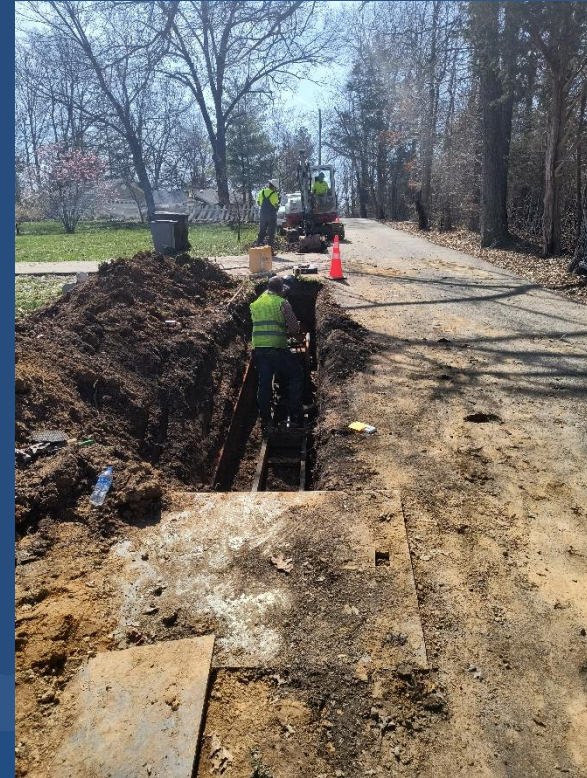


# Midway





# Mt. Washington



# Questions??

# KIA is available

We are located in the Willis Room for any questions for the duration of the conference.

