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Drinking Water
State Revolving Fund
Lead Service Line Replacement**

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**Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
Lead Service Line Replacement
SFY 2023 Intended Use Plan - Amended IUP**

Introduction

Section 1452(b) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Amendments of 1996 requires each state to annually prepare an Intended Use Plan (IUP) identifying the use of funds from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) allotment to support the goal of protecting public health. This IUP explains how the 2023 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law DWSRF-Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) capitalization grant will be used and how the fund will operate in accordance with Section 1452(b) of the SDWA.

The Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) was created by the Georgia General Assembly in 1986 as the successor agency to the Georgia Development Authority, Environmental Facilities Program. GEFA assists local governments in financing the construction, extension, rehabilitation and replacement, and securitization of public works facilities. The GEFA board of directors consists of three ex-officio members and eight members appointed by the governor. Under an interagency agreement, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) provides professional services to the DWSRF. The services include, but are not limited to:

- Project reviews and approvals;
- Planning and project development;
- Information tracking and updating files;
- Information gathering and resubmittal of the National Drinking Water Needs Survey;
- Issuing and approving Notices of No Significant Impacts (NONSI) and Categorical Exclusions (CE);
- Assistance with the National Information Management System (NIMS);
- The Public Benefit Reporting (PBR) database;
- Vendor selection and contract administration of the LSL Inventory database; and
- Administration of EPD's set-aside activities and the Project Solicitation Process

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 2021, Pub. L. 117-58 (IIJA) appropriated capitalization grant funds for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2022 to 2026 for lead service line replacement projects and associated activities directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines.

DWSRF Overview of Funds

This Amended IUP outlines the DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement capitalization grant funding allocated to State of Georgia for FFY 2022 grant reallocations in the amount of \$5,857,000 and the FFY 2023 appropriations in the amount of \$28,650,000 for projects identified within SFY 2023. These appropriations require 49 percent of the capitalization grant amount be provided as additional subsidization, which will be in the form of principal forgiveness.

Eligible Use of Funds:

For a project or activity to be eligible for funding under this appropriation, it must be otherwise DWSRF eligible and be a lead service line replacement (LSLR) project or associated activity directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines. Any project funded under this appropriation involving the replacement of a lead service line must replace the entire lead service line, not just a portion, unless a portion has already been replaced or is concurrently being replaced with another funding source.

To define a “lead service line” for the purpose of this appropriation, EPA will use an amended version of the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions’ regulatory definition, which is:

“...a service line made of lead, which connects the water main to the building inlet. A lead service line may be owned by the water system, owned by the property owner, or both. For the purposes of this subpart, a galvanized service line is considered a lead service line if it ever was or is currently downstream of any lead service line or service line of unknown material. If the only lead piping serving the home or building is a lead gooseneck, pigtail, or connector, and it is not a galvanized service line that is considered an LSL the service line is not a lead service line.”

EPA has expanded the eligible uses beyond the definition above to also include the replacement of lead goosenecks, pigtails, and connectors as eligible expenses, whether standalone or connected to a lead service line. GEFA’s LSLR program uses the expanded EPA definition for this special funding. These funds cover and require replacement of the entire lead service line as defined above which terminates at the home. No portion of a particular “lead service line”, located outside the exterior of the home or structure, may remain. The composition of the material, such as a lead service line pipe, should determine what must be replaced. Premise plumbing, though, is not eligible for reimbursement under this DWSRF LSLR program special funding.

Funding Eligibility:

A. Eligible Borrowers

Applicants eligible to apply for lead service line replacement funding assistance are:

- Georgia Cities and Counties,
- Georgia Water and Sewer Authorities,
- Community Improvement Districts (CID), and
- Any State or Local Authority created by the Georgia General Assembly.

Minimum Criteria for Eligibility

- Only those counties and municipalities certified as Qualified Local Governments by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the water and sewer authorities within those certified governments may receive funding.
- Only applicants within counties that have current DCA-certified Service Delivery Agreements (HB489) may receive funding and the proposed project must be consistent with the verified strategy.
- Applicants must be in compliance with state audit requirements. Compliance questions can be answered at audits.ga.gov.
- Applicants within the Metro North Georgia Water Planning District (MNGWPD) must be certified by the director of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) as complying or making a good faith effort to comply with all MNGWPD plans and/or enforcement measures, the project must conform to applicant's regional Water Development and Conservation Plan, once adopted.
- All applicants must adopt and enforce the state minimum standard plumbing code provisions outlined in O.C.G.A, Section B-2-3 to be eligible to receive funding.

B. Eligible and Ineligible Use of Lead Service Line Replacement Funds

For a project or activity to be eligible for funding under this appropriation, it must be otherwise DWSRF eligible and be a LSLR project or associated activity directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines. Any project funded under this appropriation involving the replacement of a lead service line must replace the entire lead service line, not just a portion, unless a portion has already been replaced.

The following types of lead service line replacement projects are eligible for reimbursement:

- Projects by eligible entities related to non-construction project activities that seek to identify, inventory, or conduct lead service line investigation, such as employee interviews, acquisition of tax records or engineering site plans, predictive and statistical modeling, field investigations and potholing, completed or ongoing inventory projects.
- Projects that aid public water systems with a roadmap for prioritization and complete replacement of the entire lead or galvanized service line (both system-owned and customer-owned). To include the removal of lead or galvanized goosenecks, pigtails, and connectors (that are either currently or have previously been downstream of lead components), and replacement with an acceptable material that meets the requirements established under 40 CFR 143 and which complies with state and local plumbing codes and or building codes.
- Site restoration projects, including landscaping, sidewalks, driveways, pavement cuts, sod replacement, or debris removal if the removal is necessary to replace the lead service line.
- Permit fees, such as utility excavation, traffic control, sidewalk excavation, if the fees are normal, required, and specific to the lead service line replacement.
- Purchase of EPA approved equipment specifically purchased to solely support the identification, preparation, and verification of the lead service line inventory, such as lead detection devices and vacuum extraction trailers. **(All devices and equipment must be pre-approved by EPA.)**
- Purchase of non-routine sampling kits or temporary filter devices or point-of-use (POU) devices certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead during or for a short-time period after the lead service line replacement.
- Community engagement and public outreach initiatives, such as billing inserts, postcards, lead notification letters, doorhangers, flyers, town hall meetings, or public forums that provide education to the community on the Lead and Copper Rule Revision regulations.
- Development of a lead service line replacement plan or updating of lead service line inventories, including locating and mapping lead service lines. Methods of investigation to develop inventories could include visual observation, water quality sampling (non-compliance), excavation, vacuum or hydro-excavation, statistical analysis, or other emerging technologies.

C. Ineligible Projects and Activities:

- Any project or activity that is not a lead service line replacement project or associated activity directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines.
- Any project or activity not replacing the entire lead service line unless a portion of a lead service line has already been replaced or is concurrently being replaced with another funding source.
- Corrosion control studies, corrosion control infrastructure, and water meters. Also, consistent with the regular DWSRF program, funding for bottled water and premise plumbing are not eligible under this appropriation.

D. Reimbursement for Service Line Inventory Activities

An entity may include in its proposed project a request for reimbursement for eligible initial service line inventory activities that were required to comply with the EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions regulation effective as of January 1, 2022, or other service line inventories conducted or being currently updated. However, the activities must have been performed in accordance with all DWSRF program requirements and adhere to DWSRF federal funding requirements to be reimbursed.

DWSRF Project Solicitation Process

Developing the DWSRF comprehensive list involves an online Request for Interest (RFI) pre-application process where all communities request funding and provide project-related information to GEFA staff.

- The project solicitation process began on July 3, 2023, and remained open through September 29, 2023.
- GEFA emailed the solicitation notice to its stakeholder list and coordinated with relevant trade and local government associations to further disseminate lead service line funding information.
- An online RFI solicitation form regarding eligibility for lead service line inventory and replacement projects was announced and made available on GEFA's website and community partners.
- GEFA made available project solicitation packets containing detailed information about financing terms, available funding, and the ranking system for project prioritization.
- GEFA hosted six financial assistance forums and actively presented at twenty conferences and virtual webinars on available lead service line funding and financing terms.
- GEFA used the RFI information to score and rank all projects submitted during the project solicitation period and projects from the FY2022 solicitation period that did not receive any LSLR funding were rolled over into the FY2023 list of submissions.

DWSRF Comprehensive Project Priority List (PPL)

The attached DWSRF comprehensive Project Priority List (PPL) of new projects details drinking water lead service line inventory and/or replacement projects submitted during the RFI pre-application solicitation period, and projects from the FY2022 solicitation period that did not receive any LSLR funding. The comprehensive PPL will include:

- Community Name;
- Affordability Score;
- 2020 Population Information;
- Project Descriptions;
- Total Project Costs;
- Principal Forgiveness Eligibility & Estimated Allocations (Additional Subsidy Totals);
- Estimated Start & Completion Dates;
- Estimated Interest Rates; and
- Term Requirements

Ranking and Creation of the Comprehensive Project Priority List

Each project submitted by the RFI deadline and determined to be eligible for funding is ranked by the community's affordability criteria within a range from highest to the lowest community score.

The GEFA board of directors reserves the right to fund lower priority projects over higher priority projects if, in the opinion of GEFA, a higher priority project has not taken the necessary steps to prepare for funding and initiation of construction (e.g., GEFA has not received a complete and approvable financial application, the project is not ready to proceed, or if the community withdraws its project from consideration). Additionally, if a qualified project becomes viable within the funding year, Georgia may elect to bypass, or skip, higher ranked projects in favor of lower ranked projects to ensure that funds available are utilized in a timely manner, in order to ensure that statutory and capitalization grant requirements are met. In this case, GEFA will amend its comprehensive PPL to fund the project within the current grant allocation. To accommodate those communities that decide to participate in the DWSRF after the capitalization grant has been awarded, GEFA will amend the IUP and hold a public meeting(s) to include any new projects added to comprehensive PPL. This same process of public review and comment will be followed for any substantive change in the priority of the DWSRF LSLR comprehensive PPL.

DWSRF Fundable List and Estimated Disbursement Schedule

The DWSRF fundable project list with an estimated disbursement schedule (is located in Attachment 2). The fundable list contains projects GEFA has identified as either completed, existing, or projects that are ready to commence in order to be in compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR).

Projects on the fundable list are projected to draw from the lead service line replacement 2022 and 2023 grant appropriations. GEFA created this disbursement schedule based on the eight quarters identified in the 2023 DWSRF payment schedule located in Attachment 3, which indicates the timeframe for requesting the DWSRF capitalization grant allotment from EPA's Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) System. Some projects listed on the disbursement schedule are one phase of a larger project and some of the projects may have a construction schedule longer than the eight quarters identified in the DWSRF payment schedule. The DWSRF assistance includes grant financing and/or any required principal forgiveness requirements as outlined in the applicable appropriations language. Assistance will be provided to municipalities and water/sewer authorities created by the Georgia legislature for LSLR, inventory management, planning, or any LSLR related improvements to publicly-owned drinking water systems. All borrowers must designate a repayment source(s) for each loan agreement signed with GEFA. All construction projects will meet the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to Davis-Bacon requirements in section 513 and American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements in section 608.

Terms and Conditions of Financing

Standard DWSRF Financing Terms

GEFA's benchmark interest rate is the true interest cost (to the nearest hundredth of one percent) received by the state on its competitively-bid, general obligation bond issue. GEFA currently offers DWSRF loans to local governments and authorities at an interest rate of 50 basis points (0.50 percent) below the benchmark rate.

DWSRF loans are available with terms as short as five years and not exceeding 40 years for communities designated by states as "disadvantaged" under state criteria or the useful life of the project. Interest rates are reduced from the 40-year DWSRF rate for shorter term loans.

Loan Origination Fees

GEFA charges a one-time loan origination fee. GEFA calculates the fee based on the total DWSRF financing provided for the project. The origination fee is charged on each commitment when the contract is executed and paid within the second month following contract execution. GEFA deposits origination fees into a separate non-project account. These fees are used for programs that meet the water quality goals of the drinking water state revolving fund. Program income, generated from direct capitalization grant funds, and non-program income, generated from repayment funds, will be collected, and accounted for separately.

Modification Fees

GEFA charges a one-time loan modification fee. GEFA calculates the fee based on the total DWSRF financing provided for the project. The modification fee is charged a 1 percent fee against the overall loan commitment beginning with the third loan modification request. GEFA deposits modification fees into a separate non-project account. These fees are used for programs that meet the water quality goals of the drinking water state revolving fund. Program income, generated from direct capitalization grant funds, and non-program income, generated from repayment funds, will be collected, and accounted for separately.

Additional Subsidization (Principal Forgiveness)

The IIJA contained the following provision:

“Provided further, That for the funds made available under this paragraph in this Act, forty-nine percent of the funds made available to each State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants shall be used by the State to provide subsidy to eligible recipients in the form of assistance agreements with 100 percent forgiveness of principal or grants (or any combination of these), notwithstanding section 1452(d)(2) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12)”

Principal Forgiveness

This language requires states to provide 49% of the capitalization grant amount as additional subsidization in the form of principal forgiveness and/or grants. EPA’s guidance says states must provide all additional subsidization to water systems that meet the state’s disadvantaged community criteria. The terms and conditions of the grant award allow subsidy in the form of principal forgiveness to borrowers of the DWSRF lead service line replacement program. As a result, 49 percent of the capitalization grant will be provided as additional subsidization small and disadvantaged communities to support the identification and inventory lead service lines in addition to the removal and replacement of those lead service lines. All applicants are evaluated and provided principal forgiveness based on their individual affordability criteria.

GEFA uses an affordability tool for evaluating and scoring communities to determine principal forgiveness eligibility for the lead service line replacement grant award. Borrowers were categorized into one of four percentiles - 25 percent, 50 percent, 65 percent, or 85 percent based upon their affordability score. Attachment 7 further explains the criterion for each of these percentiles. A score of one through four is given for each criterion, based on the percentile. maximum of 40 points is possible.

Additionally, some small and disadvantaged borrowers received a rating of 100 percent based upon the recommendation of the Finance Department’s Loan Underwriting Team. If a community has multiple projects on the DWSRF comprehensive list, only one project can receive principal forgiveness. The affordability score for each applicant can be found in Attachment 1 and the ten criteria are listed in Attachment 7. If there is any PF remaining, after GEFA has reached the bottom of the list, GEFA reserves the right to amend the current language in the IUP and use a lower affordability score.

Set-Asides

Federal regulations allow states to set aside up to 31 percent of the capitalization grant funds for purposes other than financing construction projects for water systems. The set asides for the SFY 2023 capitalization grant for lead service line replacement will be allocated as shown below.

COMMUNITIES RECEIVING FUNDING THROUGH THE SET-ASIDE FUNDS ARE LISTED IN ATTACHMENT 5.

Four Percent Administration

Georgia intends to use 4 percent of the capitalization grant for administrative purposes and technical assistance to complete lead service line inventory and replacement projects. Based on the FY2023 DWSRF LSLR allotment of \$28,650,000, \$1,146,000 is set aside for the maintenance of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division’s (GA EPD) lead service line inventory database that will allow the electronic submission of all lead service line inventories throughout the State, offer contracted management and administrative support to small and disadvantaged communities with less than 300 in population through the services of the Georgia Rural Water Association (GRWA) for the DWSRF LSLR program, and enable the award of grants to small and disadvantaged communities to conduct LSL inventories. A detailed account of the costs associated with the 4 percent account is found on Attachment 5.

Sources and Use of Funds

Georgia is anticipating funding SFY 2023 lead service line inventory and replacement projects using the EPA Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Lead Service Line Replacement Capitalization Grant. Per the BIL, no state match is required for this funding. The estimated sources and uses of funds in the SFY 2023 DWSRF LSLR program are as follows:

Funding Sources:

<u>FY22 LSLR Cap Grant Reallocation (DA)/Project Loans:</u>	<u>\$5,857,000</u>
Total FY22 Cap Grant: \$5,857,000	

FFY2023 LSLR Set-Asides:

FY23 LSLR Cap Grant Loan Projects (DA)/Project Loans:	\$24,066,000
FY23 LSLR Cap Grant 4% Administrative and Tech Assistance (DD):	\$1,146,000
FY23 LSLR Cap Grant 2% Small System Tech Assistance (DE):	\$ 573,000
<u>FY23 LSLR 15% Local Assistance Grants (DG):</u>	<u>\$2,865,000</u>
Total FY23 Cap Grant: \$28,650,000	

FFY 2022 EPA DWSRF BIL Lead Service Line Replacement Cap Grant: \$ 5,857,000
FFY 2023 EPA DWSRF BIL Lead Service Line Replacement Cap Grant: \$28,650,000

State Match: \$0

Total: \$34,507,000

Criteria and Method for Distribution of Funds

Attachment 9 explains Georgia's criteria and method used to score and distribute funds to DWSRF projects. Only those cities and counties that have been designated as a "Qualified Local Government" and are in compliance with O.C.G.A. Section 36-70-20 and appear on the comprehensive list may receive a DWSRF loan commitment. Communities within the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District (MNGWPD) that are in compliance or making a good faith effort toward compliance with the MNGWPD plans are eligible for DWSRF funding. Lastly, only those communities that are in compliance with plumbing code standards as codified in O.C.G.A. Section 12-5-4 will be eligible for financing through GEFA. Eligible project costs include planning, design, engineering, and construction. Ineligible costs include maintenance and operation expenditures, projects needed primarily for fire protection, or projects to facilitate future growth. No loan will be executed until environmental approval has been issued and financial requirements have been met. The GEFA board meets quarterly and will enter into binding commitments with borrowers after board approval.

SRF Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Implementation

BIL was signed into law on November 15, 2021. The law authorizes \$1.2 trillion for transportation and infrastructure spending with \$550 billion of that figure going toward "new" investments and programs. Below are the new GEFA programs implemented by BIL:

- DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement
- CWSRF Supplemental
- DWSRF Supplemental
- CWSRF Emerging Contaminants
- DWSRF Emerging Contaminants

Federal Requirements on Available Funds

Funds are subject to federal requirements such as Architectural/Engineering Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS) Process, the Davis-Bacon Wage Requirements, the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA), American Iron and Steel (AIS), State Environmental Review Process (SERP), Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE). DWSRF-funded projects must follow all federal "cross-cutter" requirements and EPA's signage requirements. Guidance and templates for a one-step and two-step QBS process can be found on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

Davis-Bacon Wage Requirements

The provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act apply to all projects financed in whole or in part by the DWSRF. These requirements apply to projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a treatment works. In all contracts in excess of \$2,000, the Borrower shall insert in full the document entitled "supplemental General Conditions for Federally-Assisted State Revolving Fund," This document is located on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

American Iron and Steel

The American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements apply to all projects financed in whole or in part by the DWSRF. These requirements apply to projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a treatment works. In all contracts, the Borrower shall insert in full the document entitled "AIS Special Conditions." This document is located on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

State Environmental Review Process (SERP)

Projects funded by the DWSRF must undergo an environmental review via the EPA-approved State Environmental Review Process (SERP). This environmental review is conducted by EPD through either a Categorical Exclusion (CE) or Notice of No Significant Impact (NONSI). This process addresses issues such as environmental impact, potential historical preservation issues, potential endangered species concerns, and permit compliance. Borrowers should review the "Guidance Document for Project Requirements" document, which is located on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

Build America, Buy America Act (BABA)

Alongside BIL, Congress passed BABA, which establishes strong and permanent domestic sourcing requirements across all federal financial assistance programs. BABA, which is a component of the Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA), requires federal agencies to ensure that "none of the funds made available for a Federal financial assistance program for infrastructure, including each deficient program, 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." Borrowers should review the "Guidance Document for Project Requirements" document, which is located on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)

As a part of GEFA's loan agreement, loan recipients are required to encourage the participation of minority and women-owned businesses in all project subcontracts. The state's DWSRF percentage goals through September 30, 2023, are four percent for Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and four percent for Women Business Enterprises (WBE). Borrowers should review the "supplemental General Conditions for Federally Assisted State Revolving Fund," which are located on the GEFA website at <https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-resources/loan-documents>.

DWSRF Goals and Objectives

Pursuant to the SDWA, the State must identify the goals and objectives of the state loan fund (i.e., the BIL DWSRF-Lead Service Line Replacement). Georgia has the following goals for its BIL DWSRF-LSLR program:

Overall DWSRF LSLR Program Goal

Provide funding for drinking water infrastructure while advancing the GEFA's mission to conserve and protect Georgia's energy, land, and water resources for ALL Georgians and to advance the public health goals of SDWA while targeting the neediest systems.

Long - Term Goals

1. Consolidate multiple database management systems that will integrate Drinking Water LSL project data with program management data to meet federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) LSLR compliance regulations.
2. Continue efforts to inform PWS's on the availability of funds, benefits of the DWSRF LSLR program, and funding process improvements.
3. Work closely with PWS's to rapidly complete lead service line (LSL) inventories. Under the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions, all water systems must have initial lead service line inventories by October 16, 2024. Technical assistance set-aside funds will be used to help water systems develop inventories. Preparing the inventory will allow systems to assess the magnitude of their LSLs, better identify sampling locations, and begin planning for LSL removal actions.

Short - Term Goals

1. Expand the outreach activities to ensure that systems are aware of and understand DWSRF LSLR assistance options and the application process by presenting at statewide workshops and conferences to publicize the DWSRF LSLR program.
2. Prioritize disadvantaged communities and provide fiduciary assistance and resources that enable these communities to be in compliance with state and federal LSL compliance mandates.
3. Develop a lead service line inventory database in conjunction with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division that will be used to assist publicly owned water systems in submitting lead service line data in accordance with federal compliance mandates.

Assurances and Specific Proposals

In addition to the assurances that accompany the capitalization grant application (Standard Form 424) for the 2023 funds, GEFA further agrees to adhere to all the certifications covered within the Operating Agreement with EPA Region 4. The specific certifications are:

1. Capitalization grant agreement
2. Payment schedule
3. State matching funds (**N/A for LSLR**)
4. Commitment of 120 percent in one year
5. All funds - timely expenditures
6. Enforceable requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act
7. Cross cutting issues
8. State law and procedures

9. State accounting and auditing procedures
10. Recipient accounting and auditing procedures
11. Annual report
12. Limitations on eligibility
13. Environmental review process
14. Maintain the fund
15. Perpetuity
16. Types of assistance
17. Priority list
18. Limitations of double benefits
19. Consistency with planning requirements
20. Annual audit
21. Intended use plan
22. Annual federal oversight review and technical assistance
23. Dispute resolution
24. Reserve the right to transfer up to 33 percent of grant amount between programs
25. NIMS
26. PBR

The Georgia SDWA of 1977, as amended, and the Rules for Safe Drinking Water, as amended, require that before constructing a public water system EPD must approve of: 1) the source of water supply and 2) the means and methods of treating, purifying, storing, and distributing water to the public. Furthermore, before placing the public water system in operation, the owner must obtain a permit to operate from EPD. Through the construction approval procedures and the issuance of operating permits, EPD ensures that public water systems are built and operated with adequate technical capacity to comply with existing and future state and federal drinking water regulations and standards. EPD also requires that public water systems have a certified operator. EPD supports several operator training and technical assistance programs to ensure that water systems and their operators maintain an adequate level of technical capacity.

As in previous years, DWSRF program managers will continue to coordinate with the EPA Region 4 office on items such as quarterly and annual reports, annual reviews, National Need Surveys, collection of NIMS data no less than quarterly, training opportunities, attendance at regional and national conferences, workshops, and various administrative program efforts.

Public Participation – Public Review and Comment

This Amended Draft of the SFY 2023 Lead Service Line Replacement IUP is subject to review and comment by the public prior to incorporation into the SFY 2023 capitalization grant application. Public notification was submitted to the *Fulton Daily Report*, for a public review and comment meeting held on **March 28, 2024, at 10:00 A.M.** within the GEFA boardroom. GEFA is located at 47 Trinity Ave SW, Fifth Floor, Atlanta, GA 30334. The purpose of this public meeting was to present and receive comments on the amended draft of the SFY 2023 DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement IUP. Members of the public were given the option to participate via a toll-free conference call number, 1-886-705-2554, with the conference code 645112. There were no comments rendered from the general public for this meeting. A summary of the public meeting is included within Attachment 8.

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ATTACHMENT 1
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND
LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
FFY 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PROJECT PRIORITY LIST - AMENDED IUP

No.	Applicant Name	Affordability Score	2020 Population	Project Description	Estimated Project Cost	Additional Subsidy	Potential Principal Forgiveness	Estimated Start	Estimated Completion	Estimated Interest Rate	Estimated Terms
1	City of Woodville	38	321	The City of Woodville was incorporated in 1911 and has a public water system. The project is to conduct a survey of water service connections between the water main and the meter and the meter to the house.	\$15,000	\$12,750	Secondary*	1/1/2024	4/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
2	City of Pineview	36	555	Lead service line inventory and compliance project	\$66,100	\$66,100	Primary	10/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
3	City of Riceboro	36	650	The City of Riceboro is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 441 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$150,000	\$127,500	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
4	City of Fort Gaines	36	986	Conduct Lead Service Line inventory of all services connected to the Fort Gaines Water System.	\$58,000	\$49,300	Secondary*	1/1/2024	9/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
5	Town of Harrison	35	339	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the Town water system. The Town has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$72,035	\$72,035	Primary	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
6	City of Wadley	35	1,643	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard testing, ﬁeld testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory. Replacement of lead service lines from the distribution main to meter and from meter to home. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 30% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$132,000	\$85,800	Secondary*	1/1/2024	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
7	City of Metter	35	4008	Perform a Service Line Inventory in accordance with Georgia EPD and U.S. EPA requirements.	\$88,750	\$57,688	Secondary*	12/4/2023	7/8/2024	2.63%	20 YR
8	City of Plains	34	553	The City is planning to replace lead and galvanized services requiring replacement found during the inventory process.	\$160,000	\$160,000	Primary	1/7/2024	10/7/2024	2.63%	20 YR
9	City of Clayton	34	8580	The City of Clayton is seeking funding to continue development of its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods.	\$400,000	\$400,000	Primary	5/15/2023	9/30/2026	2.63%	20 YR

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10	City of Jeffersonville	34	1035	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard surveys, field testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 30% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$86,500	\$56,225	Secondary*	6/1/2024	6/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
11	City of Reidsville	34	4,944	Service Line Inventory as required by EPD.	\$250,000	\$162,500	Secondary*	1/1/2024	3/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
12	City of Norwood	33	199	Investigation of lead service lines within the City to develop inventory.	\$75,760	\$75,760	Primary	12/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
13	City of Rentz	33	308	Performing a survey on the service lines to individual homes or businesses in order to determine if any lead-based lines are present and replace lines to meet regulation requirements..	\$20,000	\$20,000	Primary	7/3/2023	7/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
14	City of Broxton	33	1071	Lead Service Line Inventory	\$90,400	\$90,400	Primary	10/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
15	City of Buena Vista	33	1,585	Inspect water service lines to identify lead service lines	\$75,000	\$48,750	Secondary*	2/1/2024	7/31/2024	2.63%	20 YR
16	City of Union Point	33	1732	Water system service line inventory	\$50,000	\$32,500	Secondary*	10/25/2023	10/24/2024	2.63%	20 YR
17	City of Wrightsville	32	3300	Inspect water service lines to identify lead service lines	\$100,000	\$100,000	Primary	11/1/2023	7/31/2024	2.63%	20 YR
18	City of Folkston	32	2,875	Replacement of lead service lines from the distribution main to meter and from meter to home. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 30% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$918,000	\$596,700	Secondary*	1/1/2024	6/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
19	City of Swainsboro	32	7583	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$1,400,000	\$910,000	Secondary*	1/1/2024	10/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
20	City of Cave Spring	32	1,192	The City is applying for funds to investigate the services with unknown material.	\$565,720	\$367,718	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2024	2.63%	20 YR
21	City of Porterdale	32	1429	The City of Porterdale is seeking funding to continue development of its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods. The City is also requesting funding to supplement the expected cost of replacing service lines.	\$120,000	\$78,000	Secondary*	11/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
22	Mitchell County Water System	31	1900	Service line inventory including pot holing, mapping and locating of the water system.	\$12,000	\$12,000	Primary	10/16/2023	9/31/25	2.63%	20 YR
23	City of Woodbury	31	905	System wide service line inventory.	\$60,000	\$39,000	Secondary*	10/20/2023	9/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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24	City of Norman Park	31	1109	Lead Service Line Inventory and Compliance Project	\$100,000	\$65,000	Secondary*	10/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
25	City of Claxton	31	2576	The proposed project will comply with the LCRR which requires water service lines of all public water systems to be properly inventoried. The project will include an investigation to identify lead service lines within the public water system.	\$250,000	\$162,500	Secondary*	10/9/2023	10/7/2024	2.63%	20 YR
26	City of Roberta	31	3,143	The City of Roberta is seeking funding assistance to develop its lead and copper service line inventory. The City lacks the financial resources to develop and submit the inventory by the October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision. The City of Roberta will review historical records, conduct water meter inspections, representative sampling, and perform other methods necessary to determine the status of service lines in the City's water service area. The City would also like to use a portion of Grant Funds to purchase a HydroVac Trailer to locate and identify existing service lines. Please note that the population listed is representative of the City's Water Service Population as the City's water service area extends past the City Limits of Roberta.	\$350,000	\$227,500	Secondary*	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
27	Scott Water and Sewer Authority	31	9242	Lead Service Line Inventory	\$10,000	\$6,500	Secondary*	9/27/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
28	Stewart County (Brooklyn Water System)	30	1370	lead service line inventory	\$25,423	\$25,423	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
29	City of Omaha	30	1611	lead service line inventory	\$15,000	\$15,000	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
30	Stewart County (Louvale Community)	30	5252	lead service line inventory	\$25,422	\$25,422	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
31	City of Washington	30	6490	The City of Washington is seeking funding to continue development of its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods.	\$465,000	\$465,000	Primary	11/1/2023	9/30/2026	2.63%	20 YR
32	City of Blairsville	29	760	Water service line inventory and replacements	\$30,000	\$30,000	Primary	8/29/2023	10/24/2023	2.63%	20 YR
33	City of Richland	29	1479	The City is applying for funds to replace lead and galvanized lines requiring replacement found during the inventory.	\$800,000	\$400,000	Secondary*	1/7/2024	10/7/2025	2.63%	20 YR
34	Town of Argyle	29	190	Lead Service Line Inventory and Planning	\$45,000	\$22,500	Secondary*	10/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
35	City of Hiltonia	29	315	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard surveys, field testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory.	\$72,000	\$36,000	Secondary*	6/1/2024	6/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
36	Town of Trion	29	1960	Lead Service Line Inventory	\$100,000	\$50,000	Secondary*	10/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
37	City of Irwinton	28	540	The City is applying for funding to bid out investigating the 633 service lines.	\$251,000	\$251,000	Primary	12/1/2023	3/29/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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38	Lincoln County	28	7,841	Water service line inventory	\$30,500	\$30,500	Primary	8/29/2023	10/24/2024	2.63%	20 YR
39	City of Whitesburg	28	604	lead and copper water line replacement	\$175,000	\$87,500	Secondary*	4/24/2024	12/27/2024	2.63%	20 YR
40	City of Morven	28	722	Replacing lead service lines	\$75,000	\$37,500	Secondary*	1/2/2024	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
41	Alcovy Shores Water and Sewerage Authority	27	834	The Alcovy Shores Water and sewerage authority is in need of funding for its lead service line inventory project. The Authority has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory and other planning portions of the new LCCR on its own. The Authority is requesting \$75,000 to cover the costs associated with the project including: development of the service line inventory and replacement capital improvements plan by a contracted consultant, field investigation for identification of lead service line by a contractor, an initial supply of filter pitchers for pitcher filter program, an initial supply of tap sampling kits for a random lead sampling and monitoring program, and print and postage costs for initial notification and public education materials as part of the community outreach and communication program. The Authority will begin the development of the Service Line Inventory immediately upon notification of grant approval. All work will be completed by October 16, 2024	\$75,000	\$75,000	Primary	1/1/2024	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
42	City of Greenville	27	796	The City is planning to use the money to bid out investigating the remaining 499 services with unknown material.	\$201,641	\$100,821	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2024	2.63%	20 YR
43	Town of Rocky Ford	26	167	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard surveys, field testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 50% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$76,500	\$76,500	Primary	6/1/2024	6/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
44	City of Cobbtown	26	350	Lead Service Line Inventory management and replacement of lead service lines within our service line inventory.	\$50,000	\$50,000	Primary	12/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
45	City of Ila	26	450	Lead Service Line Inventory	\$50,000	\$50,000	Primary	12/1/2023	11/30/2025	2.63%	20 YR
46	Town of Waco	26	539	The Town is applying for funding to bid out investigating the service lines with unknown service material.	\$155,000	\$155,000	Primary	12/1/2023	3/29/2024	2.63%	20 YR
47	Town of Lyerly	26	650	LEAD AND SERVICE LINE INVENTORY.	\$58,000	\$58,000	Primary	11/1/2023	3/11/2023	2.63%	20 YR
48	City of Remerton	26	1334	Lead service line inventory	\$40,000	\$40,000	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
49	Fannin County Water Authority	26	25,685	Develop all aspects of the lead service line inventory to meet EPD requirements. Project will involve methods including, but not limited to, desktop surveys, historical records research, field investigations of service materials, mapping, equipment, public notifications, point of use devices, representative sampling, and any other miscellaneous tasks required to complete and submit the inventory.	\$15,000	\$15,000	Primary	11/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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50	City of Hogansville	26	3209	The City is applying for funding to pay an engineering firm for preparing bid documents and to bid out investigating 1,533 service lines that are currently listed as unknown.	\$593,000	\$593,000	Primary	12/1/2023	3/29/2026	2.63%	20 YR
51	City of Byron	26	9,993	The City of Byron is seeking funding to continue development of its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods. The City is also requesting funding to supplement the expected cost of replacing service lines.	\$745,700	\$745,700	Primary	3/28/2023	11/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
52	City of Greensboro	26	3648	The City of Greensboro is seeking funding to develop its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods.	\$275,260	\$137,630	Secondary*	10/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
53	Spalding County Water & Sewerage Facility	26	68267	The Spalding County Water and Sewerage Facilities Authority (SCWSFA) has been proactive in its approach to ensuring water quality for our residents. In July 2021, with our Board's endorsement, we enlisted the services of 120 Water to enhance our Lead Service Line Inventory management. This initiative led to the successful identification of 6,035 non-lead service lines. However, we acknowledge the presence of 8,500 service lines whose status remains to be determined.	\$400,000	\$400,000	Primary	7/21/2021	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
54	McIntosh County	25	11,123	EPD lead line inventory	\$150,000	\$150,000	Primary	10/2/2023	1/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
55	Hart County Water and Sewer Authority	25	25,135	System Wide Service Line Inventory	\$40,000	\$40,000	Primary	10/11/2023	9/15/2023	2.63%	20 YR
56	City of Glennville	25	3707	The City is applying for funding to pay an engineering firm for preparing bid documents and to bid out investigating 1,633 service lines that are currently listed as unknown.	\$630,198	\$315,099	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2026	2.63%	20 YR
57	Town of Yatesville	25	395	Service Line Inventory	\$32,500	\$16,250	Secondary*	11/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
58	Town of Camak	24	141	Investigation of lead service lines within the City to develop inventory.	\$49,370	\$49,370	Primary	12/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
59	City of Maysville	24	2058	Water system service line inventory	\$30,500	\$30,500	Primary	9/11/2023	10/24/2023	2.63%	20 YR
60	Coosa Water Authority	24	24,632	Equipment, VAC-TRON and GPR (ground penetrating radar), needed to complete the required lead service line inventory.	\$90,000	\$90,000	Primary	9/1/2023	10/24/2024	2.63%	20 YR
61	City of Waleska	24	734	The City is applying for funding to pay an engineering firm for preparing bid documents and to bid out investigating the approximately 1,644 service lines that are currently listed as unknown.	\$632,353	\$316,177	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2026	2.63%	20 YR
62	City of Tallapoosa	24	3247	The City is applying for funding to pay an engineering firm for preparing bid documents and to bid out investigating 1,316 service lines that are currently listed as unknown.	\$510,000	\$510,000	Primary	12/1/2023	3/29/2025	2.63%	20 YR

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63	Towns County Water Authority	24	8700	The Authority is applying for funding to pay an engineering firm for preparing bid documents and to bid out investigating 2,487 service lines that are currently listed as unknown.	\$870,060	\$435,030	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2026	2.63%	20 YR
64	City of Leslie	24	427	Lead service line inventory	\$15,000	\$15,000	Secondary*	12/1/2023	9/30/2025	2.63%	20 YR
65	Town of Buckhead	24	201	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the Town water system. The Town has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$27,227	\$13,614	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
66	City of Sycamore	24	692	The City of Sycamore is in need of funding for its Lead Service Line Inventory project. The City has a limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory and other planning portions of the new LCRR on its own. The City is requesting \$90,000.00 to cover the costs associated with the project including: development of the service line inventory and replacement capital improvement plan prepared by a contracted consultant, field investigation services for identification of lead service lines by a contractor that will be incorporated into the service line inventory, an initial supply of filter pitchers for a pitcher filter program, an initial supply of tap sampling kits for a random lead sampling and monitoring program, and printing and postage costs for initial notification and public education materials as part of a community outreach and communication program. The City will begin the development of the Service Line Inventory immediately upon notification of grant approval. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than December 31, 2024.	\$90,000	\$45,000	Secondary*	12/1/2023	12/31/2024	2.63%	20 YR
67	Town of Homer	24	1264	Lead Service line inventory management & replacement	\$125,500	\$31,375	Secondary*	11/20/2023	10/10/2027	2.63%	20 YR
68	City of Baldwin	24	3968	Development of water system service line inventory	\$55,000	\$55,000	Secondary*	8/29/2023	10/24/2024	2.63%	20 YR
69	Town of Parrott	23	231	Lead service line inventory	\$11,000	\$11,000	Primary	9/2/2023	9/30/2025	2.63%	20 YR
70	City of Culloden	23	273	The City of Culloden is seeking funding assistance to develop its lead and copper service line inventory. The City lacks the financial resources to develop and submit the inventory by the October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision. The City of Culloden will review historical records, conduct water meter inspections, representative sampling, and perform other methods necessary to determine the status of service lines in the City's water service area.	\$130,000	\$130,000	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
71	Jones County Board of Commissioners	23	23,000	This funding would start and complete the lead service line inventory required of all water systems.	\$250,000	\$250,000	Primary	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
72	City of Walthourville	23	3788	The City is applying for funds to bid out investigating services with unknown service material.	\$679,300	\$169,825	Secondary*	12/1/2023	3/29/2025	2.63%	20 YR

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73	Butts County WSA	23	25434	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the water system. The County has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$500,000	\$125,000	Secondary*	11/1/2023	12/31/2026	2.63%	20 YR
74	City of Brooklet	23	1454	The proposed project will comply with the federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions which requires the water service lines of all public water systems to be properly inventoried. The proposed project will investigate to identify lead service lines within the public water system.	\$250,000	\$62,500	Secondary*	10/9/2023	10/7/2024	2.63%	20 YR
75	City of Demorest	22	2056	Development of water service line inventory	\$100,000	\$100,000	Primary	8/29/2023	10/24/2024	2.63%	20 YR
76	City of Emerson, Georgia	22	1415	Investigative measures necessary to complete the SLI so that no connection is labeled as unknown. Replace water service lines as determined by the SLI.	\$750,000	\$187,500	Secondary*	1/1/2024	12/31/2026	2.63%	20 YR
77	City of Newton	22	850	Service line inventory for all water meter connections	\$16,000	\$16,000	Secondary*	9/26/2023	6/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
78	City of Ailey	20	519	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$33,800	\$33,800	Primary	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
79	City of Mount Zion	20	1894	Lead Service Line Inventory	\$175,000	\$175,000	Primary	10/31/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
80	City of Commerce	20	8,828	The City of Commerce is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 4,110 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$200,000	\$100,000	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/14/2024	2.63%	20 YR
81	City of Kingsland	20	18247	Manual field data collection and GIS based recording/reporting of lead utility service line inventory.	\$300,000	\$300,000	Primary	1/1/2024	6/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
82	City of Winder	20	40,820	The City of Winder is seeking funding to continue development of its lead service line inventory. In order to meet the upcoming October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision, the City is utilizing ArcGIS to compile service line data from various sources, including historical records review, water meter inspection, and other field investigation methods. The City is also requesting funding to supplement the expected cost of replacing service lines.	\$900,000	\$225,000	Secondary*	5/1/2023	9/30/2030	2.63%	20 YR

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83	City of Hinesville	20	35,466	The City of Hinesville is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 13,000 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$1,000,000	\$250,000	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/1/2030	2.63%	20 YR
84	City of Nunez	20	133	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$21,950	\$21,950	Secondary*	1/1/2024	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
85	City of Villa Rica	20	1400	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$50,000	\$50,000	Primary	9/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
86	Town of Dexter	19	655	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the Town water system. The Town has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$121,200	\$121,200	Primary	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
87	City of Garden City, GA	19	10,306	Lead Water Service Line Inventory and Replacement Program	\$600,000	\$150,000	Secondary*	9/11/2023	9/2/2028	2.63%	20 YR
88	City of Warner Robins	19	81,446	The City of Warner Robins is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 29,000 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$500,000	\$125,000	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/16/2030	2.63%	20 YR

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89	City of Shiloh	18	439	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$50,000	\$50,000	Primary	9/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
90	Pike County Water and Sewer Authority	18	19500	PCWSA is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 400 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$100,000	\$100,000	Primary	11/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
91	City of Grovetown	18	18414	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$350,000	\$350,000	Primary	11/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
92	City of Cumming	18	7828	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$100,000	\$100,000	Primary	10/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
93	City of Richmond Hill	17	17,556	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard testing, ﬁeld testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory. Replacement of lead service lines from the distribution main to meter and from meter to home. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 10% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$452,000	\$452,000	Primary	1/1/2024	10/1/2029	2.63%	20 YR
94	Fulton County	17	295,000	Lead Service Line Field Assessment of approximately 80,000 service points. Project includes field service line inventory assessments and service line replacement.	\$9,143,529	\$896,481	Primary	1/1/2024	12/1/2030	2.63%	20 YR
95	City of Rincon	17	11,100	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard testing, ﬁeld testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory.	\$371,000	\$37,100	Secondary*	1/1/2024	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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96	City of Hoschton	17	5,828	The County has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$105,000	\$105,000	Primary	10/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
97	Harris County	17	34,670	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the water system. The County has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$100,000	\$100,000	Primary	9/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
98	City of Williamson	17	763	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the water system. The County has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$58,400	\$58,400	Primary	9/1/2023	12/31/2024	2.63%	20 YR
99	Town of Newington	16	291	The proposed project will comply with the federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions which require the water service lines of all public water systems to be properly inventoried. The proposed project will include an investigation to identify lead service lines within the public water system.	\$250,000	\$250,000	Primary	1/2/2024	1/2/2025	2.63%	20 YR
100	City of Bostwick	16	380	Help funding the Bostwick Lead and Copper Inventory Project to be in compliance with the EPD Lead and Service Line Inventory. The project will include Lead Service Line Field Assessment of approximately 216 service points. Project includes field service line inventory assessments and service line replacement. Replacement of service lines is expected to be around 25-30% of the total connections.	\$25,976	\$25,976	Primary	10/2/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
101	City of Guyton	16	2557	The proposed project will comply with the federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions which require the water service lines of all public water systems to be properly inventoried. The proposed project will include an investigation to identify lead service lines within the public water system.	\$250,000	\$250,000	Primary	10/9/2023	10/7/2024	2.63%	20 YR
102	City of Grantville	16	3,200	Lead Service Line Inventory and Replacement Program	\$125,000	\$125,000	Primary	9/1/2023	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
103	Town of Turin	16	700	Lead Service Line Inventory and Replacement	\$50,000	\$50,000	Secondary*	9/18/2023	6/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
104	Town of Braselton	16	16,070	System Wide Service Line Inventory	\$80,000	\$40,000	Secondary*	10/11/2023	9/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
105	City of Garfield	16	257	The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$29,300	\$29,300	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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106	Paulding County	16	168,660	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the water system. The County has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$600,000	\$150,000	Secondary*	10/1/2023	12/31/2026	2.63%	20 YR
107	City of Hoboken	16	525	Proposed Scope of Work : The City of Hoboken has around 240 service line connections and approximately seventy-seven thousand (77,000) linear feet of service lines within their jurisdiction. Much of the city was built pre-1986, the point when lead was outlawed for use in water infrastructure. To build a comprehensive service line inventory, several steps will be taken, outlined below. The project will begin with a review of historical data for the area, and a map will be created to target the areas most likely to contain lead first. The city has not digitized most service and infrastructure records, so these records will be pulled from the city's physical archives. Once the map has been created, service line investigation and potholing will be utilized to visually identify service line materials, which will be recorded for the inventory. For any lines that cannot be clearly identified or cannot be located via potholing, water test kits will be utilized and sent to an EPA certified lab for testing. A service line inventory will be compiled based on collected data, and recommendations for infrastructure replacement will be generated for the city's use. The inventory and created packet will be submitted to the relevant governing bodies including Georgia EPD, and community notification and outreach will take place in accordance with state and federal guidelines.	\$54,000	\$54,000	Primary	1/1/2024	1/31/2024	2.63%	20 YR
108	Oconee County	16	284	The project will apply best practices to determine lead services across the water system. The practices will include desktop surveys of tax ID information, postcard surveys, ﬁeld testing, and visual inspections of services to determine in-place infrastructure. The costs also include data aggregation and a data management platform for the inventory. The replacement of the service lines is expected to be around 50% of the total service connections and includes trench and trenchless methods.	\$76,500	\$34,425	Secondary*	6/1/2024	6/1/2025	2.63%	20 YR
109	City of Danielsville	16	678	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on it's own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$210,215	\$105,108	Secondary*	11/1/2023	10/1/2024	2.63%	20 YR
110	City of Fargo	15	380	The City of Fargo is seeking funding assistance in order to develop it's lead service line inventory. The City does not have the necessary financial resources to develop and submit the inventory by the October 16, 2024 deadline set by the Lead and Copper Rule Revision. The City of Fargo is planning to utilize ArcGIS Software, review historical records, conduct water meter inspections, perform representative sampling, and other methods necessary to determine the status of service lines in the City's water service area.	\$150,000	\$150,000	Primary	1/1/2024	9/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR

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111	City of Roswell	14	18,500	The City of Roswell's Water Utility needs to create a Service Line Inventory, as required under the EPA's updated Lead and Copper Rule, to identify service line material for both the public side and private side. This inventory will identify service line material and will be public facing. As lead services are identified, the City will plan for replacement of the services. The City plans to work with a consultant in the creation of the Service Line inventory and the public-facing portal.	\$92,000	\$92,000	Primary	1/30/2023	1/31/2033	2.63%	20 YR
112	City of Flowery Branch	14	10,144	The City of Flowery Branch is seeking funding assistance to develop a complete lead & copper service line inventory program that will comply with EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) by the October 16, 2024 deadline. This program will include the inventory of existing service lines utilizing methodologies currently accepted by EPA/EPD to determine material type for 1,950 potable water service lines, including both system- and customer-owned sides. Additionally, the program will include submitting the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Plan to EPA/EPD by the LCRR deadline, planning for public education and outreach, and developing an economical strategy for performing and optimizing sampling and LSLR procedures, including funding strategies for disadvantaged communities.	\$120,000	\$120,000	Primary	11/1/2023	10/16/2024	2.63%	20 YR
113	City of Temple	14	5,623	The City is applying to replace lead and galvanized services requiring replacement found during the inventory process.	\$940,000	\$235,000	Primary	1/7/2024	10/7/2026	2.63%	20 YR
114	City of Ball Ground	13	3,211	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$70,000	\$70,000	Primary	9/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
115	Jekyll Island Park Authority	13	946	Development and submission of a service line inventory by evaluating available data and investigating existing service lines throughout the City water system. The City has limited staff and is unable to complete the required inventory on its own. The funds requested will be used to develop an inventory by our consultant, field investigation of services lines by potholing by a contractor and update the service line inventory database. All work will be completed and submitted to EPD no later than October 16, 2024.	\$99,930	\$99,930	Primary	10/1/2023	12/31/2025	2.63%	20 YR
116	Town of Gay	13	125	Replace all Service lines	\$7,800	\$7,800	Secondary*	1/30/2024	4/30/2024	2.63%	20 YR
Total					\$34,516,319	\$16,908,430	49%				

*Communities with PRIMARY listed in the potential principal forgiveness columns are eligible for the additional subsidy amounts as shown on the amended FFY 2023 Comprehensive Project Priority List. Those communities with SECONDARY listed in the potential principal forgiveness columns will be allocated principal forgiveness from the remaining portions of additional subsidy left within the FFY 2023 Cap Grant until all portions are exhausted. Please be advised that all additional subsidy amounts are estimated amounts. Project overages within the FY2023 Comprehensive Project List (PPL) will be allocated to the FY2022 cap grant allocations until all portions are exhausted.

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		CONSTR.	TARGET	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	TOTAL
PROJECT	LOAN AMOUNT	START DATE	COMPL. DATE	1/24-3/24	4/24-6/24	7/24-9/24	10/24-12/24	1/25-3/25	4/25-6/25	7/25-9/25	10/25-12/25	DISBURS.
Alcovy Shores Water and Sewerage Authority	\$75,000	1/1/2024	10/1/2024			\$ 75,000						\$75,000
City of Ailey	\$33,800	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 33,800						\$33,800
City of Ball Ground	\$70,000	9/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 70,000						\$70,000
City of Blairsville	\$30,000	8/29/2023	10/24/2023			\$ 30,000						\$30,000
City of Bostwick	\$25,976	10/2/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 25,976						\$25,976
City of Broxton	\$90,400	10/1/2023	10/16/2024			\$ 90,400						\$90,400
City of Byron	\$745,700	3/28/2023	11/1/2025			\$ 745,700						\$745,700
City of Clayton	\$400,000	5/15/2023	9/30/2026			\$ 400,000						\$400,000
City of Cobbtown	\$50,000	12/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 50,000						\$50,000
City of Culloden	\$130,000	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 130,000						\$130,000
City of Cumming	\$100,000	10/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 100,000						\$100,000
City of Demorest	\$100,000	8/29/2023	10/24/2024			\$ 100,000						\$100,000
City of Fargo	\$150,000	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 150,000						\$150,000
City of Flowery Branch	\$120,000	11/1/2023	10/16/2024			\$ 120,000						\$120,000
City of Grantville	\$125,000	9/1/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 125,000						\$125,000
City of Grovetown	\$350,000	11/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 350,000						\$350,000
City of Guyton	\$250,000	10/9/2023	10/7/2024			\$ 250,000						\$250,000
City of Hoboken	\$54,000	1/1/2024	1/31/2024			\$ 54,000						\$54,000
City of Hogansville	\$593,000	12/1/2023	3/29/2026			\$ 593,000						\$593,000
City of Hoschtton	\$105,000	10/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 105,000						\$105,000
City of Ila	\$50,000	12/1/2023	11/30/2025			\$ 50,000						\$50,000
City of Irwinton	\$251,000	12/1/2023	3/29/2024			\$ 251,000						\$251,000
City of Kingsland	\$300,000	1/1/2024	6/1/2024			\$ 300,000						\$300,000
City of Maysville	\$30,500	9/11/2023	10/24/2023			\$ 30,500						\$30,500
City of Mount Zion	\$175,000	10/31/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 175,000						\$175,000
City of Norwood	\$75,760	12/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 75,760						\$75,760
City of Omaha	\$15,000	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 15,000						\$15,000
City of Pineview	\$66,100	10/1/2023	10/16/2024			\$ 66,100						\$66,100
City of Plains	\$160,000	1/7/2024	10/7/2024			\$ 160,000						\$160,000
City of Remerton	\$40,000	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 40,000						\$40,000
City of Rentz	\$20,000	7/3/2023	7/1/2024			\$ 20,000						\$20,000
City of Richmond Hill	\$452,000	1/1/2024	10/1/2029			\$ 452,000						\$452,000
City of Roswell	\$92,000	1/30/2023	1/31/2033			\$ 92,000						\$92,000
City of Shiloh	\$50,000	9/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 50,000						\$50,000
City of Villa Rica	\$50,000	9/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 50,000						\$50,000
City of Williamson	\$58,400	9/1/2023	12/31/2024			\$ 58,400						\$58,400
City of Woodville	\$15,000	1/1/2024	4/30/2024			\$ 15,000					-	\$15,000

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PROJECT	LOAN AMOUNT	START DATE	COMPL. DATE	1/24-3/24	4/24-6/24	7/24-9/24	10/24-12/24	1/25-3/25	4/25-6/25	7/25-9/25	10/25-12/25	DISBURS.
Coosa Water Authority	\$90,000	9/1/2023	10/24/2024			\$ 90,000						\$90,000
City of Wrightsville	\$100,000	11/1/2023	7/31/2024			\$ 100,000						\$100,000
Fannin County Water Authority	\$15,000	11/1/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 15,000						\$15,000
Hart County Water and Sewer Authority	\$40,000	10/11/2023	9/15/2023			\$ 40,000						\$40,000
Jekyll Island Park Authority	\$99,930	10/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 99,930						\$99,930
Mitchell County Water System	\$13,434	10/16/2023	9/31/25			\$ 13,434						\$13,434
Totals	\$ 5,857,000					\$ 5,857,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$5,857,000

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PROJECT	LOAN AMOUNT	CONSTR. START DATE	TARGET COMPL. DATE	1st Qtr 1/24-3/24	2nd Qtr 4/24-6/24	3rd Qtr 7/24-9/24	4th Qtr 10/24-12/24	1st Qtr 1/25-3/25	2nd Qtr 4/25-6/25	3rd Qtr 7/25-9/25	4th Qtr 10/25-12/25	TOTAL DISBURS.
City of Tallapoosa	\$510,000	12/1/2023	3/29/2025			\$ 510,000						\$510,000
City of Washington	\$465,000	11/1/2023	9/30/2026			\$ 465,000						\$465,000
Harris County	\$100,000	9/1/2023	12/31/2025			\$ 100,000						\$100,000
Jones County Board of Commissioners	\$250,000	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 250,000						\$250,000
Lincoln County	\$30,500	8/29/2023	10/24/2024			\$ 30,500						\$30,500
Mcintosh County	\$150,000	10/2/2023	1/1/2024			\$ 150,000						\$150,000
Pike County Water and Sewer Authority	\$100,000	11/1/2023	10/16/2024			\$ 100,000						\$100,000
Spalding County Water & Sewerage Facilities Authority	\$400,000	7/21/2021	10/16/2024			\$ 400,000						\$400,000
Stewart County (Brooklyn Water System)	\$25,423	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 25,423						\$25,423
Stewart County (Louvale Community)	\$25,422	1/1/2024	9/30/2024			\$ 25,422						\$25,422
Town of Camak	\$49,370	12/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 49,370						\$49,370
Town of Dexter	\$121,200	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 121,200						\$121,200
Town of Harrison	\$72,035	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 72,035						\$72,035
Town of Lyerly	\$58,000	11/1/2023	3/11/2023			\$ 58,000						\$58,000
Town of Newington	\$250,000	1/2/2024	1/2/2025			\$ 250,000						\$250,000
Town of Parrott	\$11,000	9/2/2023	9/30/2025			\$ 11,000						\$11,000
Town of Rocky Ford	\$76,500	6/1/2024	6/1/2025			\$ 76,500						\$76,500
Town of Waco	\$155,000	12/1/2023	3/29/2024			\$ 155,000						\$155,000
Butts County WSA	\$500,000	11/1/2023	12/31/2026			\$ 250,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000				\$500,000
City of Baldwin	\$55,000	8/29/2023	10/24/2024			\$ 55,000						\$55,000
City of Brooklet	\$250,000	10/9/2023	10/7/2024			\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000					\$250,000
City of Buena Vista	\$75,000	2/1/2024	7/31/2024			\$ 75,000						\$75,000
City of Cave Spring	\$565,720	12/1/2023	3/29/2024			\$ 282,860		\$ 282,860				\$565,720
City of Claxton	\$250,000	10/9/2023	10/7/2024			\$ 125,000		\$ 125,000				\$250,000
City of Commerce	\$200,000	11/1/2023	10/14/2024			\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000					\$200,000
City of Emerson, Georgia	\$750,000	1/1/2024	12/31/2026			\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000					\$750,000
City of Folkston	\$918,000	1/1/2024	6/1/2025			\$ 459,000	\$ 459,000					\$918,000
City of Fort Gaines	\$58,000	1/1/2024	9/1/2024			\$ 58,000						\$58,000
City of Garden City, GA	\$600,000	9/11/2023	9/2/2028			\$ 300,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000				\$600,000
City of Garfield	\$29,300	11/1/2023	10/1/2024				\$ 29,300					\$29,300
City of Glennville	\$630,198	12/1/2023	3/29/2026			\$ 198,396	\$ 215,901	\$ 215,901				\$630,198
City of Greensboro	\$275,260	10/1/2023	9/30/2024				\$ 137,630	\$ 137,630				\$275,260
City of Greenville	\$201,641	12/1/2023	3/29/2024				\$ 100,820	\$ 100,821				\$201,641

Attachment 2 - AMENDED IUP
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
SFY 2023 Lead Service Line Replacement IUP
Estimated Disbursement Schedule

PROJECT	LOAN AMOUNT	CONSTR.	TARGET	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	TOTAL DISBURS.
		START DATE	COMPL. DATE	1/24-3/24	4/24-6/24	7/24-9/24	10/24-12/24	1/25-3/25	4/25-6/25	7/25-9/25	10/25-12/25	
City of Hiltonia	\$72,000	6/1/2024	6/1/2025			\$ 72,000						\$72,000
City of Hinesville	\$1,000,000	11/1/2023	10/1/2030				\$ 500,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 200,000			\$1,000,000
City of Jeffersonville	\$86,500	6/1/2024	6/1/2025			\$ 86,500						\$86,500
City of Leslie	\$15,000	12/1/2023	9/30/2025			\$ 15,000						\$15,000
City of Metter	\$88,750	12/4/2023	7/8/2024			\$ 88,750						\$88,750
City of Morven	\$75,000	1/2/2024	10/1/2024			\$ 75,000						\$75,000
City of Newton	\$16,000	9/26/2023	6/1/2024			\$ 16,000						\$16,000
City of Norman Park	\$100,000	10/1/2023	10/16/2024				\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000				\$100,000
City of Nunez	\$21,950	1/1/2024	10/1/2024			\$ 21,950						\$21,950
City of Porterdale	\$120,000	11/1/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 120,000						\$120,000
City of Reidsville	\$250,000	1/1/2024	3/1/2024				\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000				\$250,000
City of Richland	\$800,000	1/7/2024	10/7/2025					\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000			\$800,000
City of Rincon	\$371,000	1/1/2024	10/1/2024					\$ 185,500	\$ 185,500			\$371,000
City of Roberta	\$350,000	1/1/2024	9/30/2024					\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000			\$350,000
City of Swainsboro	\$1,400,000	1/1/2024	10/1/2025					\$ 700,000	\$ 700,000			\$1,400,000
City of Sycamore	\$90,000	12/1/2023	12/31/2024			\$ 90,000						\$90,000
City of Temple	\$940,000	1/7/2024	10/7/2026					\$ 470,000	\$ 470,000			\$940,000
City of Union Point	\$50,000	10/25/2023	10/24/2024			\$ 50,000						\$50,000
City of Wadley	\$132,000	1/1/2024	10/1/2024			\$ 66,000		\$ 66,000				\$132,000
City of Waleska	\$632,300	12/1/2023	3/29/2026					\$ 316,150	\$ 316,150			\$632,300
City of Walthourville	\$679,300	12/1/2023	3/29/2025					\$ 339,650	\$ 339,650			\$679,300
City of Warner Robins	\$500,000	11/1/2023	10/16/2030					\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000			\$500,000
City of Whitesburg	\$175,000	4/24/2024	12/27/2024					\$ 87,500	\$ 87,500			\$175,000
City of Winder	\$900,000	5/1/2023	9/30/2030					\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000			\$900,000
City of Woodbury	\$60,000	10/20/2023	9/1/2024			\$ 60,000						\$60,000
Fulton County	\$9,143,529	1/1/2024	12/1/2030				\$ 3,555,700	\$ 1,999,129	\$ 3,588,700			\$9,143,529
Oconee County	\$76,500	6/1/2024	6/1/2025			\$ 76,500						\$76,500
Paulding County	\$600,000	10/1/2023	12/31/2026			\$ 535,167	\$ 64,833					\$600,000
Scott Water and Sewer Authority	\$10,000	9/27/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 10,000						\$10,000
Town of Argyle	\$45,000	10/1/2023	10/16/2024			\$ 45,000						\$45,000
Town of Buckhead	\$27,227	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ 27,227						\$27,227
Town of Gay	\$7,800	1/30/2024	4/30/2024			\$ -	\$ 7,800					\$7,800
Town of Homer	\$125,500	11/20/2023	10/10/2027			\$ 55,100	\$ 64,149	\$ 6,251				\$125,500
Town of Trion	\$100,000	10/1/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000					\$100,000
Town of Yatesville	\$32,500	11/1/2023	9/30/2024			\$ 32,500						\$32,500
Towns County Water Authority	\$870,060	12/1/2023	3/29/2026			\$ 317,100	\$ 552,960					\$870,060
City of Riceboro	\$150,000	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ -	\$ 150,000					\$150,000
Town of Braselton	\$40,000	10/11/2023	9/1/2024			\$ -	\$ 40,000					\$40,000

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		CONSTR.	TARGET	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	TOTAL
PROJECT	LOAN AMOUNT	START DATE	COMPL. DATE	1/24-3/24	4/24-6/24	7/24-9/24	10/24-12/24	1/25-3/25	4/25-6/25	7/25-9/25	10/25-12/25	DISBURS.
Town of Turin	\$50,000	9/18/2023	6/30/2024			\$ -	\$ 50,000					\$50,000
City of Garfield	\$29,300	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ -	\$ 29,300					\$29,300
City of Danielsville	\$210,215	11/1/2023	10/1/2024			\$ -	\$ 105,107	\$ 105,108				\$210,215
Totals	\$28,650,000					\$ 7,162,500	\$ 7,162,500	\$ 7,162,500	\$ 7,162,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$28,650,000

**Attachment 3 - ASAP DWSRF Payment Schedule
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
Lead Service Line Replacement**

Attachment 3 - AMENDED IUP FY2022 ASAP Payment Schedule Drinking Water State Revolving Fund			
Payment No.	Federal Fiscal Year 2022		Amount (\$28,650,00)
	Quarter	Date	
1	1 st	7/2024 - 9/2024	\$5,857,000
2	2 nd	10/2024 - 12/2024	\$0
3	3 rd	1/2025 - 3/2025	\$0
4	4 th	4/2025- 6/2025	\$0
5	1 st	7/2025 - 9/2025	\$0
6	2 nd	9/2025 – 12/2025	\$0
TOTAL			\$5,857,000

Attachment 3 - AMENDED IUP FY2023 ASAP Payment Schedule Drinking Water State Revolving Fund			
Payment No.	Federal Fiscal Year 2023		Amount (\$28,650,00)
	Quarter	Date	
1	1 st	1/2024 – 3/2024	\$0
2	2 nd	4/2024- 6/2024	\$0
3	3 rd	7/2024 - 9/2024	\$7,162,500
4	4 th	10/2024 - 12/2024	\$7,162,500
5	1 st	1/2025 - 3/2025	\$7,162,500
6	2 nd	4/2025- 6/2025	\$7,162,500
7	3 rd	7/2025 - 9/2025	\$0
8	4 th	9/2025 – 12/2025	\$0
TOTAL			\$28,650,000

Attachment 4A - Estimated Sources and Uses
GEFA
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
Lead Service Line Replacement
FY2022 Reallotment

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Sources and Uses Administered by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority State Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024			
Sources & Uses	Federal Contribution	State Contribution	Total
Funding Sources			
Setaside Category D	-	-	-
Setaside Category E, F, G	-	-	-
FFY 2022 BIL Capitalization Grant	5,857,000	-	5,857,000
Total Funding Sources	\$5,857,000		\$5,857,000
Funding Uses			
Project Disbursements	5,857,000	-	5,857,000
Set-Asides Spending	-	-	-
FFY 2022 Administration	-	-	-
Total Funding Uses	\$5,857,000		\$5,857,000

**Attachment 4B - Estimated Sources and Uses
 GEFA
 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
 Lead Service Line Replacement
 FY2023 Cap Grant Allocation**

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Sources and Uses Administered by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority State Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024			
Sources & Uses	Federal Contribution	State Contribution	Total
Funding Sources			
Setaside Category D	1,146,000	-	1,146,000
Setaside Category E, F, G	3,438,000	-	3,438,000
FFY23 BIL Capitalization Grant	24,066,000	-	24,066,000
Total Funding Sources	\$28,650,000		\$28,650,000
Funding Uses			
Project Disbursements	24,066,000	-	24,066,000
Setasides Spending	4,425,196	-	4,425,196
FFY 2023 Administration	158,804	-	158,804
Total Funding Uses	\$28,650,000		\$28,650,000

Attachment 5 – Supplemental DWSRF 2 Percent, 4 Percent, and 15 Percent Set-Aside Work Plan

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Amendments of 1996 include a section authorizing states to provide funding for certain non-project activities called set-asides. States are required to describe, in their Intended Use Plans (IUP) the amount of funds that they will use for these activities. If a state does not expend all its set-asides, the state may transfer the monies to the DWSRF project account.

FY23 – DWSRF LSLR Cap Grant 4% Administrative and Tech Assistance - \$1,146,000

Set-Aside Activity	Activity		Comments
LSLR Cap Grant - 4% Administration & Tech Assistance (DA)	Georgia Rural Water Association (GRWA): assist water utilities <10,000 with service line inventory data review, and work directly with smaller water utilities with <300 connections to complete a service line inventory.	GEFA Technical Assistance Contract: \$480,000	Technical assist will be provided by GRWA to assist communities with data input and inventory submission.
	See Attachment 6 – Please find attached GEFA's RFQ for the continued maintenance and development of the service line inventory portal with 120Water that will allow the electronic submission of service line inventories and GA EPD monitoring and reporting efforts.	120 Water Software Vendor Contract: \$420,000	120Water will provided annual software support and maintenance efforts.
	GEFA Administration Resources: Technical assistance activities include project reviews and approvals; planning; project development; information tracking; information gathering and development of the request for interest solicitation; project ranking; and administration of EPD's set-aside activities all programmatic, financial, issue grants to any size PWSs to conduct service line inventories.	GEFA: \$158,804	
	Technical assistance activities include administration of EPD's set-aside activities and the issuance of grants to any size PWSs to conduct service line inventories.	Any System Grants: \$87,196	Grants will assist any size system in completing their inventories. This funding will be based on GEFA's affordability criteria.
	Total	\$1,146,000	

FY23 – DWSRF LSLR Cap Grant 2% Small System Tech Assistance - \$573,000

Set-Aside Activity	Activity	Cost	Comments
LSLR Cap Grant - 2% Small System Tech Assistance (DE)	Technical assistance activities include administration of EPD's set-aside activities and the issuance of grants to small PWSs 10,000 or less in population to conduct service line inventories.	Small System Grants: \$573,000	Grants will be used to assist small systems (10,000 or less in population) in conducting their inventories. This funding will be based on GEFA's affordability criteria.
	Total	\$573,000	

FY23 – DWSRF LSLR Cap Grant 15% Small System Tech Assistance - \$2,865,000

Set-Aside Activity	Activity	Cost	Comments
LSLR Cap Grant – 15% Local Assistance Grants (DG)	<p>Technical assistance activities for the issuance of grants to any size PWSs to conduct service line inventories.</p> <p>Local Assistance Set- Aside Set-Aside will be allocated to any size systems to conduct their service line inventories.</p>	LSLR Grants: \$2,865,000	Grants will assist any size system in completing their inventories. This funding will be based on GEFA's affordability criteria.
	Total	\$2,865,000	

**Attachment 6— GEFA Request for Qualifications to Provide
Water Program Consulting – Service Line Infrastructure Inventory
GEFA RFQ NO. 928-WRD-23LSL**

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Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA)

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

To Provide

Water Program Consulting – Service Lines Infrastructure Inventory

GEFA RFQ No. 928-WRD- 23LSL



Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Water Program Consulting - BIL Water Infrastructure Inventory **GEFA RFQ # 928-WRD-23LSL**

A. PROCUREMENT OVERVIEW

The Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA), in coordination with and in support of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), Georgia local governments, related stakeholders/customers, and Georgia citizens, is interested in receiving statements of qualifications from firms interested in providing consulting services to assist GEFA, its supported entities and stakeholders in the administration of specific portions of the Water Infrastructure programs of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), as further described herein. The envisioned services of the Consultant include, but may not be limited to, LSL Infrastructure Inventory program administration assistance of the following (drinking water) portions of the Water Infrastructure scope of the BIL:

- Rapid progress on **Lead Service Line Identification and Replacement**

The successful consultant will work with GEFA, Georgia EPD, and other appropriate stakeholders and resources to further determine the full and appropriate scope LSL program of the BIL Water Infrastructure initiative. Accordingly, the qualifications of the consultant are of paramount importance. Therefore, this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is being issued by GEFA in consideration of the stakeholders' interests, and prescribes a qualifications-based procurement which is generally being conducted pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-22-1 et seq. However, one or more firms that respond to this RFQ by submitting statements of qualifications may be determined to be especially qualified and capable of delivering services and may be deemed eligible for further consideration and/or discussions with GEFA to provide these services as the Consultant.

All respondents to this RFQ are subject to instructions communicated in this document and are cautioned to completely review the entire RFQ and follow instructions carefully. GEFA retains the right to reject any or all statements of qualifications or any, if applicable, subsequent submittals and/or proposals, and to waive technicalities, irregularities, and informalities, and retains the right to cancel or conclude this procurement at any time without selecting a firm to provide the described services, without any liability to any respondents, or any other person or entity, and is under no obligation to make an award relating to this RFQ to any person or entity. The final terms of any Agreement are subject, in all cases, to strict compliance with the applicable provisions of the state of Georgia and federal laws.

B. IMPORTANT - A RESTRICTION OF COMMUNICATION IS IN EFFECT FOR THIS PROJECT.

From the time of advertisement of this solicitation until a contract is executed (final award) with successful respondent(s) and such final award(s) is/are announced, interested firms are not allowed or permitted to communicate about this solicitation or scope with any staff or any official representatives of GEFA or stakeholder agencies other than the Issuing Officer and except for submission of questions as instructed in the RFQ, or as

provided by any existing work agreement(s). Finalists and Apparent Awardee(s) are restricted from making public statements or press releases about their selection as finalists or their apparent award. For violation of this restriction, GEFA reserves the right to reject the submittal of the offending respondent.

II. Scope of Services

Note- GEFA considers the services which are envisioned and generally described herein to be necessary. The actual, final scope of services, however, may differ, may be greater or lesser, and shall be fully determined through negotiation and execution of a prospective Agreement with a successful firm. The successful consultant will work with GEFA, Georgia EPD, and other appropriate stakeholders and resources to further determine the full and appropriate scope of the specific program and funding.

The successful firm shall provide any consulting services, expertise, and related software for comprehensive program administration, coordination assistance, system solutions, system access and documentation as further described herein, as well as other tasks necessary for the State of Georgia to compliantly achieve and exceed full benefit of the related specific program(s), program goals and the funding goals with close coordination and communication with contacts designated by GEFA. GEFA may potentially amend any prospective services Agreement for additional related services, as GEFA deems necessary to the best interest of the initiatives or any customer entities. Any award resulting from this RFQ will be subject to funding requirements. Any software provided as a result of this scope must conform to the compliance requirements of GEFA, Georgia EPD, as generally prescribed by Georgia Technology Authority (GTA) to the extent appropriate for efficient and effective agency utilization, and the responsibility of such compliance will rest with the successful provider.

Overview of Program

The federal BIL law's investment in the water sector includes \$50 billion to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to strengthen the nation's drinking water and wastewater systems. A significant portion of water infrastructure dollars will flow through the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (SRFs), which represent a partnership between the Federal EPA, states, tribes, territories, and local communities. Consistent with the EPA, GEFA is committed to maximizing the impact of these funds in addressing urgent water challenges facing communities in Georgia.

The BIL legislation's planned investment includes dedicated funding to replace lead service lines. The Lead Service Lines program provides funding for lead pipe replacement. This was announced as part of a broader Lead Pipe and Paint Action Plan on December 16, 2021.

It is envisioned that GEFA, with services and program administration assistance from a successful Consultant will potentially coordinate with water utilities, non-profits, drinking water providers, and other potential recipients to work with local stakeholders and state program contacts. Potential recipients of the lead service line funding are also encouraged to accelerate the development and use of service-line inventories, which can help guide the design of replacement projects eligible for these funds.

Lead Service Line Inventory Management

Business Need:

The lead and copper rule revisions require water systems to submit a service line inventory (SLI) to EPD. Each water system must submit the data for every service connection. Large system like the City of Atlanta, for example, will have 261,000 service connections. For scale, a rough estimate of the number of service connections captured in this effort across all public water systems is more than 3 million service connections.

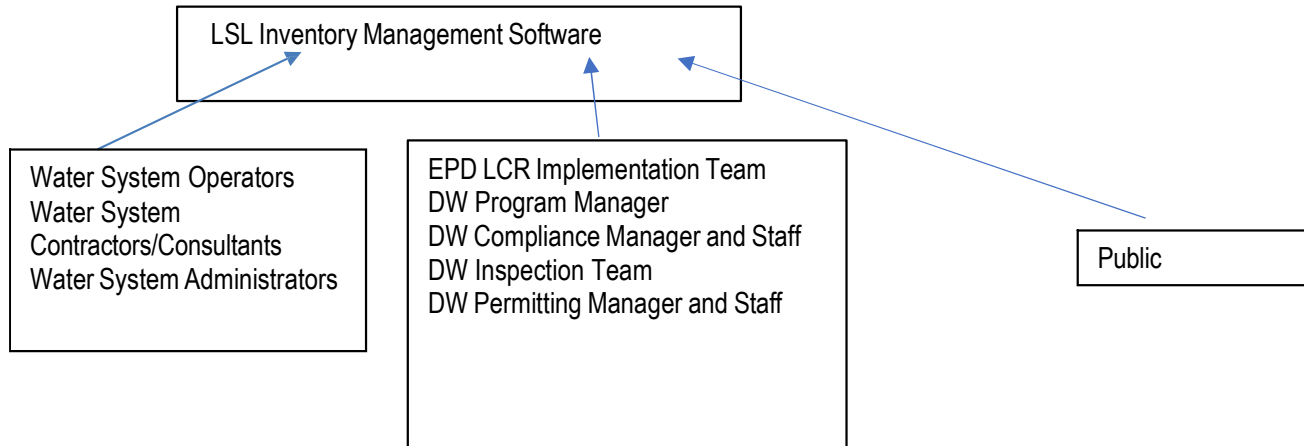
EPD will ultimately need a data management system – preferably a web-based system for submissions and handling the large amount of data, as well as tools within the system to generate different reports for compliance and tracking purposes.

Approximately 2,400 water systems will be required to submit an initial SLI to EPD. Water systems with known lead service lines and unknown service lines will submit the updates either annually or semi-annually. Water systems that do not have any lead service lines will only complete the initial submission due by October 16, 2024. Currently we estimate that approximately 900 systems will have to do the initial submission with no follow-up reporting.

The users of any such system solution

The users can be classified in to three broad categories:

1. Public water systems and their consultants
2. EPD and GEFA
3. The public (to the extent prescribed by EPD/GEFA)



Water Systems Users

- Allow water system to create profile for each user and have different permissions- viewing only, reviewing, editing, submitting etc.
- Create water system user accounts without EPD Interference Data Input/Output
- Ability to upload a list of service connections or address from their billing software
- Fill in the information for each service connections (the final number of fields to be decided by EPD)
- Ability to copy info from other service connection. (for e.g. an entire subdivision or street might have the same info)
- Ability to review the information prior to submittal
- Allow water system to continue working on their end after the submittal to change status, replacement info etc.
- Ability to upload pictures or work orders as a proof of replacement and change status in the system
- Ability to upload proof of notices to customer(s)
- Ability to tag service connections slated for replacement and timeline
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Reports (for EPD and GEFA use and/or generation)

- Generate report showing status of each service connection or by zip codes, area or address
- Generate report showing progress of replacement schedule
- Suggest Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 sites
- Generate a list of sites that has known lead that require customer notification

EPD and GEFA Needs

- Able to set up staff permissions and role
- Ability to view the inventory from EPD side and make notes
- Ability to electronically approve the inventory and generate notification letter

- Ability to track submittal and approval of corrosion control plans
- Generate a report by each system and their submittal status
- Generate a report showing which systems have not submitted the inventory
- Ability to generate Notice of violation letters for system that have not submitted the initial inventory or follow-up inventory, systems that do not meet the replacement schedule, failure to complete school testing in the required timeframe, failure to notify the customer of presence of lead service line.
- Ability to track the replacement progress for each water systems and print reports for systems that are not meeting their replacement goals
- Ability to see the monitoring sites in map format
- Generate report for systems that require public notification
- Track the status of public notification
- Ability to view the public notifications (to the extent prescribed by EPD/GEFA)
- Ability to see picture and work order for completed projects
- Ability to export service line totals required to be reported by EPD to EPA in a format compatible with SDWIS/SDWIS State
- Tool to upload the data in the software to upload the data entered in the EPD approved spreadsheet.
- Ability to upload an approved spreadsheet in the form of a csv file and be able to submit it through the software. EPD will require the ability to manually enter information.

Public Needs

- Ability to see the status of their service connection based on the address of the property (Public access to information only as prescribed by EPD/GEFA)

Goals

Make Rapid Progress on Lead Service Line Replacement. The successful Consultant will assure full coordination and compliance and will work closely with public water systems to rapidly complete service line inventory (SLI) inventories. While inventories do not need to be complete before LSL replacement begins, the Consultant will help administer the program to devote funding and technical assistance to help public water systems develop SLI inventories and undertake replacement planning. Under the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions, all public water systems must have initial inventories completed by October 2024, but EPA urges states to employ technical assistance set-aside funds to help water systems develop inventories more quickly, wherever practicable. Preparing the inventory will allow systems to assess the number of LSLs, better identify sampling locations, and begin planning for LSL removal actions, including applying for BIL funds. Any project funded under appropriation for the replacement of LSLs must replace the entire LSL, not just a portion, unless a portion has already been replaced. Successful administration shall include the affirmative conveyance of this to potential SRF applicants to ensure that they propose projects that fully replace, and pay for, both public and private LSLs.

III. Evaluation and Selection Process

A. OVERVIEW

GEFA has interest in the selection process (procurement) and GEFA will closely administer the procurement generally pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-22-1 et seq. GEFA will solicit statements of qualifications for evaluation and ranking for determination of one or more finalist firms, and possible selection of a successful firm. GEFA has enlisted the following appropriate resources for assistance in carrying out this process:

1. Selection Facilitator

This individual shall be assigned by GEFA and will be responsible to GEFA for the interests of GEFA. This

individual shall be the issuing officer of the solicitation and shall facilitate this procurement process, including posting of solicitations and notices, receipt of submittals and questions, coordination of review, evaluation, ranking recommendation, facilitation of meetings and interviews, and other duties up to, and throughout, the committee rankings of firms, and negotiation and prospective execution of a Consulting Services Agreement.

2 Selection Committee

This Committee shall be composed of qualified persons approved by GEFA and GA EPD to review and evaluate respondent firms' statements of qualifications and other submittals, and possibly interview qualified finalist firm(s). The Selection Committee shall, through the procedures defined herein, perform the following: a) Ranking of all submitting firms for determination of finalist(s); and b) (If applicable), ranking of finalist firms for determination of most qualified firm.

B. METHOD OF COMMUNICATION

Public procurement documents, including attachments, and associated addenda (if issued) will be publicly posted on the Georgia Procurement Registry (GPR). Any communication of relevant, significant information regarding this solicitation will also be made via the GPR. Known interested firms and those firms which are deemed likely to be interested may be directly solicited immediately after public advertisement, however all firms are responsible for checking the GPR on a regular basis for updates, clarifications, and announcements.

GEFA reserves the right to communicate via email with the respondents' primary contacts listed in the Statements of Qualifications. **The Issuing Officer/Selection Facilitator named herein shall be the SOLE point of contact for participating firms for the duration of the procurement.** Other specific communications will be made as indicated in the remainder of this RFQ. In accordance with Section I-B above, GEFA reserves the right to reject the submittal of any respondent violating this provision.

C. EVALUATION OF STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

The Selection Committee will evaluate all submittals upon submittal validation by the Selection Facilitator, which shall include verification of receipt-on-time and in good order (apparent responsiveness). Responsiveness validation will also include verification of receipt of the following signed and notarized Exhibits: Exhibit I, *Statement of Qualification Certification* form; and Exhibit II, *Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Affidavit* form. Submittals from respondents with apparent significant conflicts of interests are subject to additional pre-review prior to validation, other action, or disqualification. For validated submittals, each member/ evaluator will assign points using the criteria identified in Section VI. Under facilitation and coordination from the

Selection Facilitator, the Selection Committee members will thoroughly review and evaluate Statements of Qualifications submitted in response to this RFQ, using the criteria stated herein. For each evaluator, the points assigned to each criterion will be totaled and an individual evaluator rank will be determined for each firm. The rankings of all evaluators will be totaled to arrive at the sum of individual rankings for each submittal evaluated in order to determine the most qualified firm(s). If applicable, the number of multiple finalists may be determined through review of any large differences between firms' sums of individual rankings only upon agreement by the majority of Selection Committee members.

D. FINALIST NOTIFICATION

The names of the firms selected as finalist(s) will be posted on the Georgia Procurement Registry and will receive written notification (Finalist Notification) from the Selection Facilitator which will address the necessary elements of the remainder of the selection process. Criteria for the remainder of the selection process will be communicated

in the Finalist Notification, along with other appropriate evaluation information. The Finalist Notification may also address the following:

1. Issuance of Additional Program Information

The Finalist Notification may include any additional available program information, and finalist firms may be given relevant available information which has previously been developed (such as program descriptions and regulatory guidelines, etc.), and other available additional scope information. A specimen copy of the Consulting Services Agreement may also be provided.

2. Presentation / Interview (Only if Applicable)

In the Finalist Notification, an interview may be requested of finalist firms, if determined necessary by GEFA. Each finalist firm shall be notified in writing and informed of the place, date and time for the presentation/interview session and/or proposal due date. Detailed presentation/interview instructions and requirements of the finalists will be provided in the Finalist Notification. All members of the Selection Committee will be present and participating during the presentation/interview. **Firms shall not address any questions, prior to the Presentation/Interview, to anyone other than designated contact.**

E. EVALUATION OF FINALISTS, APPARENT AWARD, AND FINAL AWARD

Under facilitation and coordination from the Selection Facilitator, the Selection Committee members will thoroughly review and evaluate any submittals and interview sessions that were carried out in response to the Finalist Notification, using the criteria stated therein. For each evaluator, the points assigned to each criterion will be totaled and an individual evaluator rank will be determined for each firm. The rankings of all evaluators will be totaled for each submittal evaluated in order to determine the firm's sum of the individual evaluator rankings, which shall be the basis for final ranking. The Selection Facilitator shall review all supporting data to determine final ranking(s) and most qualified firm, or "Apparent Awardee".

Upon posting of Apparent Award and notification to the Apparent Awardee, the Selection Facilitator will request the Apparent Awardee's fee proposal and marked up copy of the Engineering Services Agreement. If a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached timely with the highest-ranking firm by the negotiation team, GEFA will formally terminate the negotiations in writing and, at its option may 1) request a fee proposal and marked-up copy of the Agreement from, and enter into negotiations with, the second highest-ranking firm (new Apparent Awardee) upon formal notification, and so on in turn until a mutual agreement is established and GEFA awards a contract; or 2) cancel the procurement. The final form of the contract shall be issued by GEFA.

IV. Schedule of Events

The following Schedule of Events table represents GEFA's best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. All times indicated are prevailing times in Atlanta. GEFA reserves the right to adjust the schedule, with prior notice, as it deems necessary.

a. Selection Facilitator issues public advertisement of RFQ-	1/18/23	-----
b. Deadline for submission of written questions and requests for clarification-	1/25/23	2:00 PM
c. Selection Facilitator provides answers/clarifications/addenda-	1/30/23	-----

d. Deadline for submission of Statements of Qualifications (SOQs)-	2/6/23	2:00 PM
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V. DELIVERABLES for Statements of Qualifications

IMPORTANT- Statements of Qualifications must include certain signed and notarized Exhibits, which are provided herein, as follows: Exhibit I, *Statement of Qualification Certification* form; and Exhibit II, *Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Affidavit* form. **The Statements of Qualifications must be submitted in accordance with the instructions provided in Section VI-B, must be categorized and numbered as outlined below, and must be responsive to all requested information below. References in submittals to websites or referrals to other sources of information will not cause a review of the information, and such information may not be evaluated.**

A. STABILITY AND RESOURCES

1. Provide basic company information: company name, address, name of primary proposing contact, telephone number, fax number, email address, and company website (if available). If the firm has multiple offices, the qualification statement shall include information about the parent company and branch office separately. Identify office from which project will be managed and this office's proximity to the Project site(s). Provide form of ownership, including state of residency or incorporation, and number of years in business. Is the respondent a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability Corporation, or other structure?
2. Briefly describe the history and growth of your firm(s). Provide general information about the firm's personnel resources, including disciplines and numbers of employees and locations and staffing of offices.
3. Has the firm or any affiliate been involved in any arbitration, litigation, mediation, dispute review board or other dispute resolution proceeding occurring during the last 10 years involving an amount more than \$100,000? Also describe any pending regulatory inquiries that could impact your ability to provide services if you are the selected Consultant. List any indictments that have been issued against the project team members or principals of the firm.
4. Provide a Statement of Disclosure, which will allow GEFA to evaluate possible conflicts of interest. Respondents must provide, in their own format, a statement of all potential legal or otherwise significant conflicts of interest possibly created by the respondents or their proposed team being considered in the selection process or by the respondent's or their team's involvement in the project. Respondents should provide information as to the nature of relationship(s) with parties in such potential conflicts.
5. Provide name of insurance carrier(s), types and levels of coverage, and deductible amounts per claim.
6. List the submitting firm's annual average revenue for the past five years. Supply main banking references of the submitting firm.
7. Has the firm ever been removed from a contract or failed to complete a contract as assigned? Explain.

B. EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Provide information pertaining to the principal personnel including but not limited to: Principal in Charge, Project Manager and all other key personnel. Please include resumes and professional registration information for personnel identified. Provide a high-level organization chart for the principal Consulting Team, and any known significant prospective sub consultants. Provide information on level of

commitment for proposed senior personnel and key members of team.

2. Provide experience of key resources on projects of the firm relevant to the Scope of Services herein, including professional qualifications and description of involvement/experience for proposed project staff. This should include the degree of apparent relevant competencies of the principal professional(s) and lead staff relative to the project and services required, and evidence of competence. **Provide information regarding firm/staff experience with varied LSL Water Program Administration methods, and other relevant water program consulting experience.** *(At this stage, firms are asked for information on lead staff only, but each firm may list qualifications and experience on more than one lead individual who are being proposed for services.)*
3. Provide information on the firm's experience and ability in delivering effective LSL Water Program Administration services such as generally described in the scope herein, and any related services for Clean Water, Wastewater or water related projects similar in complexity, size, scope, and function to the scope herein. Describe no more than 6 and no less than 3 programs or projects, in order of most relevant to least relevant, that demonstrate the firm's capabilities to provide services for GEFA. For each program or project, the following information should be provided:
 - a. Client entity name, project location and dates during which services were performed.
 - b. Clear description of overall project and services performed by your firm.
 - c. Software provided by your firm, and overall program, project budget estimate.
 - d. Current client contact information including contact names, email addresses, and telephone numbers.
4. Provide a statement on the firm's experience and qualifications in a complex consulting role for similar projects. Include any oversight of projects of extreme complexity, including experience in providing leadership in projects that are highly challenging. Include any certifications, industry ratings, and national or international achievement recognitions, etc., to attest to the level of experience and success. Describe innovations that the firm might have introduced or employed to increase the project's adherence to technical standards.

C. SUITABILITY

Provide any information that may serve to differentiate your firm from other firms in suitability for the project including but not limited to:

1. Furnish evidence of the firm's fit to the project and/or needs of GEFA, any special or unique qualifications for the project, or unique approaches to providing LSL Water Program Administration services.
2. Provide evidence of the firm's suitability for and understanding of the importance of delivering appropriate and accurate consulting software, coordination, documentation and reports similar to the incumbent project.
3. Supply current and projected workloads.
4. Provide a statement, regarding the areas of the Scope (herein) that your firm DOES NOT not and/or CANNOT perform.
5. Describe any special or enhanced capabilities offered by the firm that may be particularly suitable for this program administration scope (such as the ability of the firm to perform or gather a team to perform any special or enhanced capabilities necessary to provide ancillary services required to carry out the complete administrative scope of the project).
6. Describe ability to gather resources in vicinity to stakeholders, and/or any knowledge of the project areas which may uniquely benefit the firm and project.
7. Provide any non-discrimination and equal employment opportunities policies of the firm and evidence of efforts or success in W/MBE-DBE inclusion.
8. Describe the firm's history and methodologies of addressing public safety, environmental, or other

related concerns in its field.

9. Describe other services or relevant scopes or techniques offered by the firm which might be especially suitable for the project.

D. PAST PERFORMANCE

1. Provide at least three references for projects described in Section B-3, above, including references from (as applicable) Client Agencies, project managers, and related major stakeholders. Provide at least two references from a public entity with responsibilities to administer comprehensive federal and state water programs and provide information on system solutions utilized for the scope. Provide references which indicate level of adherence to project budget and schedule (original vs. final) and/or information on performance review or variance evaluation.

VI. Evaluation Criteria

A. Criteria for Evaluation of Statements of Qualifications

The Selection Committee will evaluate Statements of Qualifications using the following criteria:

- 10% Factor*} **Stability and resources** of the submitting firm, including the firm's history, status, growth, overall resources of the firm, form of ownership, litigation history, financial information, and other evidence of stability.
- 40% Factor*} Firm's relevant **experience and qualifications**, including the demonstrated ability of the firm in effective program services and system solutions in studies and surveys for projects comparable in complexity, size, and function, for customers similar in scope to customers of GEFA, and other similarly structured organizations. This includes relevant experience and qualifications of the principal professionals and lead staff and level of experience during all phases of similar scopes.
- 40% Factor*} Firm's apparent **suitability** to provide services and system solutions for project including software systems, also including the firm's apparent fit to the project type and/or needs of GEFA, any special or unique qualifications for the project, suitability for innovative methods, current and projected workloads (available resources), proximity of office(s) and/or lead staff to project location and/or proven ability to gather resources in location of service, proposed quality control/quality assurance procedures, special or enhanced capabilities, firm's non-discrimination and equal employment opportunities policies in W/MBE-DBE inclusion, as well as the firm's record and methodology of addressing public safety and environmental concerns.
- 10% Factor*} **Past performance** evidence of the submitting firm, including level of quality of the services and system solutions of the firm to previous customers, customer's statements of that quality, the firm's ability to meet established time requirements, the firm's response to project needs, the firm's control of quality and budget.

VII. Submittal Conditions

A. SUBMITTAL OF QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION

Questions about any aspect of the RFQ, or the project, shall be submitted prior to the appropriate deadlines indicated in the Schedule of Events, and shall be submitted in writing to:

Richard Sawyer
GEFA
rsawyer@gefa.ga.gov

The deadlines for submission of questions relating to the RFQ are the times and dates shown in the (Schedule of Events- Section IV). From the issue date of this solicitation until a successful respondent is selected and the selection is announced, the Restriction of Communication shall be in effect. For violation of this provision, GEFA shall reserve the right to reject the submittal of the offending respondent. At any time prior to the submission date, GEFA may issue an RFQ addendum to further clarify any part of this RFQ, amend this RFQ or issue instructions or further information. Each such addendum will be posted and/or distributed to all respondents. In addition, GEFA may adjust any timelines related to the project referenced herein or otherwise.

B. SUBMITTAL OF STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

An electronic original of the qualifications shall be prepared. One complete copy must be provided via email as a SINGLE “.pdf” file. Each submittal shall include a transmittal letter as a part of the file. Submittals must be able to be printable on standard (8½” x 11”) paper. The pages of the qualification submittals must be numbered. A table of contents must be included to identify each section as instructed in this RFQ. Responses are limited to 15 printable pages or less using a minimum of size 11 font. One page of the SOQ shall be devoted to an Organization Chart (requested in deliverable B-1). Additional information should not be added on this page. Each SOQ shall be prepared simply and economically, providing straightforward, concise delineation of respondent’s capabilities. Irrelevant displays and promotional materials are not desired. Emphasis must be on completeness, relevance, and clarity of content.

NOTE: All pages **shall be included** in the page limit **EXCEPT** for the front cover, cover (transmittal letter), table of contents, and required Exhibits. Submittals must be emailed with reference to **GEFA RFQ 928-WRD-22BIL-LEAD-PFAS-EC** and the words **“STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS”** clearly indicated on emailed message subject line. **Submittals received after the time and date set for receipt are subject to rejection. Emailed Submittals shall be sent to:**

Richard Sawyer
Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
Email: rsawyer@gefa.ga.gov

Statements of Qualifications submitted via facsimile will not be accepted. All SOQ submittals and other submittals are considered Sealed Proposals and upon receipt become the property of GEFA. Labeling information provided in submittals “proprietary” or “confidential”, or any other designation of restricted use will not be binding upon GEFA or its representatives and will not protect the information from public view. Subject to the provisions of the Open Records Act, the details of the proposal documents will remain confidential until final award. All expenses for preparing and submitting responses are the sole cost of the party submitting the response. GEFA is not obligated to any party to reimburse such expenses.

C. RFQ CONDITIONS

1. Respondents understand and agree that GEFA is not required to select an ultimately lowest priced fee proposal and has the right to reject any and all submittals or to cancel the RFQ process at any time without any liability to GEFA or any other person, and the parties are under no obligation to make an award relating

to this RFQ to any person or entity. In addition, GEFA reserves the right to evaluate only those Proposals determined to be fully responsive to the RFQ. All such decisions (including the selection of the Engineering Consultant) are ultimately to be made in the sole discretion of GEFA, for any reason or for no reason whatsoever, and GEFA is under no obligation to assign any reason for the rejection, non-review or non-acceptance of any SOQ. Under no circumstances shall this RFQ and component processes within be construed as a contractual offer.

2. Respondents understand and agree that GEFA may, in its sole discretion, judge whether any apparent conflicts of interest of respondents warrant rejection of the submittal(s) of the respondent, or other action; and that GEFA may, in its sole discretion, request fee proposals from, and subsequently enter into an agreement with, any entity selected in this process. Furthermore, respondents shall not hold GEFA, their customers, and/or any of their respective employees, representatives, agents, attorneys, advisors or consultants liable for any reason whatsoever related to this RFQ and respondents hereby waive all such claims.
3. Respondents may make no modification, correction or withdrawal of their submissions after the submission date. By submitting, each respondent represents that: (i) it has read and understands this RFQ, (ii) its submission complies with the requirements of this RFQ, (iii) respondent has the necessary corporate/firm authority to submit its SOQ
4. All information supplied in this RFQ is provided solely as a convenience to facilitate the selection process. GEFA does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any such information supplied. In addition, respondent shall not rely on any express or implied statements, warranties or representations made. Respondent agrees that GEFA and their employees, representatives, agents, advisors or consultants cannot be held liable for any such statements, warranties or representations or inaccuracies or incompleteness in any information provided.
5. Small and Minority Business Enterprise

It is the policy of the state of Georgia that small businesses, female-owned businesses and minority businesses have a fair and equal opportunity to participate in the state purchasing process. Therefore, GEFA encourages all small businesses, female-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses to compete for, win, and receive contracts for goods, services, and construction. This desire on the part of owner is not intended to restrict or limit competitive bidding or to increase the cost of the work. GEFA supports a healthy free market system that seeks to include responsible businesses and provides ample opportunity for business growth and development. The Georgia Department of Administrative Services maintains an office to assist small businesses, female-owned businesses and minority businesses in understanding the State procurement process. In addition to contacting GEFA, all businesses, female-owned businesses and minority businesses can also contact the Georgia Department of Administrative Services for assistance.

All Respondents should be aware that contractors and subcontractors who utilize qualified minority subcontractors may qualify for a Georgia state income tax credits for qualified payments made to minority subcontractors. See O.C.G.A. § 48-7-38.

6. Drug Free Workplace

GEFA, as policy, operates all facilities as a drug-free workplace, and requires that the labor force of the consultant be drug-free. The consultant hereby acknowledges this requirement and asserts that the organization of the consultant adheres to such policy and practice. The consultant acknowledges that it may be required to produce certificates affirming its compliance of these requirements of drug-free workplace for duration of agreement term, at execution, or at any time during the term of the agreement, pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 50-24-3.

7. Vendor Protests

A vendor who is aggrieved regarding a solicitation may communicate the grievance by letter to the selection facilitator of the solicitation with copy to the Executive Director of GEFA prior to the submittal deadline required by the solicitation. Any actual respondent who is aggrieved regarding the award of a contract may communicate the grievance by letter to the selection facilitator of the solicitation, with copy to the Executive Director of GEFA no later than 10 calendar days following the apparent award.

EXHIBIT I

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS CERTIFICATION FORM

I, _____, being duly sworn, state that I am _____ (title) of _____ (firm) and hereby duly certify that I have read and understand the information presented in the attached statement of qualifications and any enclosure and exhibits thereto.

I further certify that to the best of my knowledge the information given in response to the Request for Qualifications is full, complete and truthful.

I further certify that the submitting firm and any principal employee of the submitting firm has not, in the immediately preceding five (5) years, been convicted of any crime of moral turpitude or any felony offense, nor has had their professional license suspended, revoked or been subjected to disciplinary proceedings. I certify the accuracy and truth of the information provided by the proposer and that the Authority may contact any individual or entity named in the Statement of Qualifications for the purpose of verifying the information supplied therein.

I acknowledge and agree that all of the information contained in the Statement of Qualifications is submitted for the express purpose of inducing the Authority to award a contract.

I certify we have not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for it, to solicit or secure this contract and that we have not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for us, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or the making of this contract.

I certify that any proposal we submit for this project shall be made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting or who will be submitting a separate proposal on the same project or for the same services, materials, labor, supplies, or equipment and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. We understand collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. We agree to abide by all conditions of this solicitation. We certify that no person associated with our firm is a member of the Board of Governor's or officer or employee of the Authority or holds any statewide elective or appointed office. We further certify that no person who holds any state-wide elective or appointed office or who is a member of the Board of Governors or officer or employee of the Authority has been paid or promised by the firm any compensation in connection with this procurement by the Authority.

A material false statement or omission made in conjunction with this proposal is sufficient cause for suspension or debarment from further contracts, or denial of rescission of any contract entered into based upon this proposal thereby precluding the firm from doing business with, or performing work for, the State of Georgia. In addition, such false statement or omission may subject the person and entity making the proposal to criminal prosecution under the laws of the State of Georgia of the United States, including but not limited to O.C.G.A. §16-10-20, 18 U.S.C. §§1001 or 1341.

Sworn and subscribed before me

This _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

[NOTARY SEAL]

EXHIBIT II

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

Respondent's Name: _____

**STATE OF GEORGIA
CONSULTANT AFFIDAVIT**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned Consultant verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation which is interested in contracting with the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority ("Authority") has registered with, is authorized to participate in, and is participating in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify,* in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

The undersigned Consultant further agrees that it will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the prospective contract period and, should it employ or contract with any subconsultant(s) in connection with the physical performance of services pursuant to this prospective contract with the Authority, Consultant will secure from such subconsultant(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 on the Subconsultant Affidavit provided in Rule 300-10-01-.08 or a substantially similar form. Consultant further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the Authority at the time the subconsultant(s) is retained to perform such service.

EEV / E-Verify™ User Identification Number

Date of Authorization

BY: Authorized Officer or Agent
(Contractor Name)

Date

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Consultant

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

____ DAY OF _____, 20____

[NOTARY SEAL]

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

*or any subsequent replacement operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603

Attachment 7 - 2022 DWSRF Affordability and Ranking Criteria

GEFA’s affordability criteria uses data on median household income (MHI), unemployment rate, percentage not in labor force, poverty rate, percentage on Social Security, percentage on Supplemental Security Income (SSI), percentage with cash public assistance, percentage with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), age dependency ratio, and population trend from the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2020 American Community Survey. The applicant’s data is categorized in percentiles. GEFA will use the affordability criteria to score communities for principal forgiveness. **Please note that the affordability percentiles may change based on updated census data.**

1. Median Household Income (MHI)

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (4 points)	50th Percentile (3 points)	65th Percentile (2 points)	85th Percentile (1 point)
MHI	\$34,679	\$45,093	\$59,178	\$59,179 or higher

2. Unemployment Percent

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Unemployment Percent	1.5%	2.9%	4.2%	4.3% and higher

3. Percentage Not in Labor Force

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Percentage Not in Labor Force	35.7%	43.5%	50.7%	50.8% and higher

4. Poverty Rate

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Poverty Rate	10.4%	18.8%	26.2%	26.3% and higher

5. Percentage on Social Security

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Percentage on Social Security	28.6%	35.9%	43.4%	43.5% and higher

6. Percentage on SSI

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Percentage on SSI	3.0%	6.1%	9.7%	9.8% and higher

7. Percentage with Cash Public Assistance

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Percentage with Cash Public Assistance	0.0%	1.2%	2.4%	2.5% and higher

8. Percentage with SNAP

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Percentage with SNAP	9.2%	16.3%	23.5%	23.6% and higher

9. Age Dependency Ratio

State Percentiles	25th Percentile (1 point)	50th Percentile (2 points)	65th Percentile (3 points)	85th Percentile (4 points)
Age Dependency Ratio	57.2	67.3	78.3	78.4 and higher

10. Population Trend

The following categories will be used to determine scoring for change in population from 2011 to 2020.

- Positive growth or no growth (1 point)
- Between -0.01% to -1% (2 points)
- Between -1.01% and -2% (3 points)
- Greater than -2% (4 points)

Attachment 8 - Public Meeting Summary IUP



Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
IUP Meeting Minutes
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
Thursday, March 28, 2024
10:00 a.m.

Call to Order

The meeting was held on Thursday, March 28, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. within the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) boardroom located at 47 Trinity Ave SW, Fifth Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

GEFA staff present at the meeting were:

Amanda Carroll
Lisa Golphin

Public participants present at the meeting were:

None.

Amanda Carroll opened the meeting via conference call at 10:00 a.m. and then read aloud the purpose for the public meeting. Mrs. Carroll stated that the meeting was opened to receive comments on the amended drafts for the 2023 Base and Supplemental Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds IUPs, the 2022 and 2023 Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) IUPs, the 2023 CWSRF Emerging Contaminant IUP, and the 2023 DWSRF Emerging Contaminant IUP.

Comments from Speakers

There were no participants on the call, and the general public rendered no comments on any of the amended IUPs.

The public meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

**Attachment 9 - Loan Program Policies
January 2021**



GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY

1. PURPOSE

The Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) provides affordable financing to local governments throughout Georgia to develop environmental infrastructure that protects public health, preserves natural resources, and promotes economic development. GEFA sustains this mission through effective, efficient, and prudent management of these public resources.

2. APPLICABILITY

Loan program policies govern the use of funds managed within the:

- Georgia Fund,
- Georgia Reservoir Fund,
- Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), and
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF).

3. SUB-PROGRAMS

Georgia Fund

- ***Emergency Loan Program*** – The GEFA executive director has the authority to approve emergency loans to assist communities with financing improvements that are necessary to eliminate actual or potential public health hazards. Emergency loans are ratified at the next scheduled board meeting. The applicant must determine and document the emergency nature of the project and apply O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-22(e), which outlines the local government actions needed to classify a project as an emergency. Relevant terms are addressed in these policies.

4. ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS

Type of Entity

- GEFA can provide financing to the following entities:
 - Local governments and instrumentalities of the state;
 - Municipal corporations;
 - County or local water, sewer, or sanitary districts;

- State or local authorities, boards, or political subdivisions created by the General Assembly or pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the state; and
- Nongovernmental entities with an approved land conservation project.

Minimum Recipient Qualifications

- **Qualified Local Government** – Municipalities and counties must be certified as Qualified Local Governments by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA).
- **Service Delivery Strategy** – Municipalities, counties, and authorities must be included in a DCA-verified Service Delivery Strategy. The project for which an applicant seeks financing must be consistent with the verified strategy.
- **State Audit Requirements** – Municipalities, counties, authorities, and nongovernmental entities must be in compliance with state audit requirements.
- **Metro Plan Compliance** – Municipalities, counties, and authorities located within the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District (MNGWPD) can receive GEFA financing if the director of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has certified that the applicant/recipient is in compliance or is making a good faith effort to comply with all MNGWPD plans and/or enforcement measures.
- **Updated Building Codes** – Municipalities and counties must adopt and enforce O.C.G.A. Section 8-2-3 relating to the installation of high-efficiency plumbing fixtures.
- **Current Loan Agreements** – A current GEFA borrower can receive additional GEFA financing only if the borrower is in compliance with the existing credit documents, e.g., loan agreement and promissory note.
- **Nongovernmental Entities** – Nongovernmental entities must be a nonprofit organization with a primary purpose of permanently protecting or conserving land and natural resources, as evidenced by their organizational documents.

5. ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

GEFA's loan programs provide financing for a broad range of water, wastewater, sewer, stormwater, nonpoint source pollution prevention, land conservation, and solid waste projects. Specific project eligibility varies by program. The types of projects eligible for financing in each program and the minimum project requirements are listed below.

- **Georgia Fund** – May finance projects consistent with O.C.G.A. Section 50-23-4 to:
 - Supply, distribute, and treat water
 - Collect, treat, or dispose of sewage or solid waste
- **Georgia Reservoir Fund** – May finance projects consistent with O.C.G.A. Section 50-23-28 to:
 - Expand the capacity of existing reservoirs or other sources for water supply
 - Establish new reservoirs or other sources for water supply
- **CWSRF** – May finance projects consistent with the federal Clean Water Act to:
 - Construct municipal wastewater facilities
 - Control nonpoint source pollution, including projects that permanently protect conservation land

- **DWSRF** – May finance projects consistent with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act to:
 - Install or upgrade facilities to improve drinking water quality or pressure, protect water sources, and provide storage create or consolidate water systems

Minimum Project Eligibility Requirements Under the Federal State Revolving Fund Programs

In addition to meeting the other applicable eligibility requirements outlined in these policies, projects receiving funding through the CWSRF or DWSRF must comply with applicable federal statutes, rules, and regulations. These requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Each project must be included in an Intended Use Plan submitted by GEFA to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- Each project must successfully complete the State Environmental Review Process, which is administered by EPD, and receive a Notice of No Significant Impact or Categorical Exclusion.
- Each recipient must certify compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act by completing EPA Form 4700-4.
- Each DWSRF project and CWSRF treatment works project must comply with applicable federal procurement and labor rules, including Disadvantaged Business Enterprise utilization, Equal Employment Opportunity, the Davis Bacon Act, and requirements that may arise in future federal law or future federal assistance agreements.
- Each DWSRF project and CWSRF treatment works project must incorporate iron and steel products produced in the U.S. (“American Iron and Steel Requirement”).
- Each CWSRF treatment works project must certify that a Fiscal Sustainability Plan has been developed and is being implemented for the project or certify that a Fiscal Sustainability Plan will be developed and implemented for the project.

6. ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Recipients of GEFA financing may use GEFA funds for the following activities related to an eligible project:

- Feasibility analysis
- Project design
- Construction, grading, site preparation, dredging, etc.
- Land and easement acquisition needed for project implementation
- Stream or wetland mitigation
- Administrative and/or legal services
- System purchase

Engineering, Legal, and Administrative Costs – GEFA funds may be utilized for engineering, design, administrative costs, facilities planning, and land acquisition provided that these costs are necessary for the completion of the project defined by the scope of work and identified in the budget of the approved loan agreement. Such eligible costs incurred prior to the execution of a loan agreement are eligible for reimbursement with a GEFA loan. GEFA also offers engineering-only loans for these preliminary soft costs needed to facilitate the construction of an eligible project. GEFA will review and apply a standard to all project budgets.

Purchase of Existing Systems – An application that proposes to purchase an existing water and/or wastewater system must be accompanied by a certification of the value of the system by a registered professional engineer. GEFA will require other information as needed to document the content and costs of the purchase.

GEFA's loan agreement provides additional information about activities for which a borrower may or may not use GEFA funds.

7. PROGRAM MAXIMUMS

Loans available from GEFA are subject to the following maximums.

Georgia Fund

- The maximum loan amount is \$3,000,000 per borrower per year.
- The maximum loan amount for emergency loans is \$500,000 per project.
- The standard amortization period is 20 years or the useful life of the project.

Georgia Reservoir Fund

- The maximum loan amount will be determined based on availability of funds.
- The length of the amortization period shall be determined on a case-by-case basis consistent with O.C.G.A. Section 50-23-28.
- The maximum amortization period is 40 years.

CWSRF

- The maximum loan amount is \$25,000,000 per borrower per year.
- The maximum loan amount for engineering loans is \$2,000,000 per project.
- The maximum amortization period is 30 years not to exceed the useful life of the project.

DWSRF

- The maximum loan amount is \$25,000,000 per borrower per year.
- The maximum loan amount for engineering loans is \$2,000,000 per project.
- The maximum amortization period is 40 years for communities designated as “disadvantaged” based on GEFA’s affordability criteria not to exceed the useful life of the project.

8. INTEREST RATES

GEFA indexes its interest rates to the true interest cost (to the nearest hundredth of one percent) received by the state on its 20-year, competitively-bid, general obligation bond issue. This is GEFA’s benchmark rate; however, the interest rate adjustments described below may apply.

Federal Loans – For CWSRF and DWSRF loans, GEFA will charge an interest rate that is 50 basis points (0.50 percent) below GEFA’s benchmark rate.

Interest Rate Concessions – GEFA provides the following interest rate concessions for eligible borrowers or eligible projects under the specified funding programs. Interest rate concessions shall not be used in combination.

- **WaterFirst** – Communities that receive the WaterFirst designation may receive an interest rate 100 basis points (1 percent) below the prevailing interest rate for the program through which it is to be funded.
- **PlanFirst** – Communities designated as a PlanFirst Community may receive an interest rate 50 basis points (0.50 percent) below the prevailing interest rate for the program through which it is to be funded.
- **Conservation** – Communities seeking financing for eligible energy, land, or water conservation projects may receive an interest rate 100 basis points (1 percent) below the prevailing interest rate for the program through which it is to be funded as outlined in GEFA’s Water Conservation Financing guidance.
- **Special Loan Terms** – The GEFA board may approve loans with different interest rates or specialized terms, e.g., principal forgiveness, consistent with specific program objectives and/or relevant federal requirements.

9. FEES

GEFA may assess certain fees to loan recipients.

Origination Fee – GEFA will charge an origination fee of 1 percent pursuant to the loan agreement.

Loan Servicing Fees – Under specific circumstances, GEFA may charge the following loan servicing fees:

- GEFA may assess a non-sufficient funds fee (NSF) if the borrower fails to have sufficient funds in its designated bank account at the time the payment is drafted. The payment due may be for any type of payment due under the credit documents including origination fees, construction interest, monthly principal and interest payments, or any other fee. GEFA will charge the NSF fee to the borrower for each loan for which payment is due and not available.
- GEFA may assess a late fee for any payment not received by the 15th of the month in which the payment is due. This will be in addition to any NSF fees assessed in the same month.
- GEFA may assess a monthly Loan Continuation Fee in the event the borrower fails to draw funds within six months (180 days) of loan agreement execution.

For details about the fees, refer to the Loan Servicing Fee Schedule available at gefa.georgia.gov/loan-documents.

10. LOAN SECURITY

GEFA requires a revenue and full-faith-and-credit pledge of each borrower and any other special loan condition GEFA may deem necessary, e.g., debt service reserve, etc.

For borrowers, such as authorities, that lack taxation powers or lack adequate taxation capacity to provide a full-faith-and-credit pledge equal to the value of the loan, the following requirements will need to be fulfilled prior to execution of loan:

- A debt service coverage ratio of 1.25x or greater
- A debt service coverage ratio of less than 1.25x, but equal to or greater than 1.05x – a reserve in the amount of one year’s debt service on the proposed debt must be deposited into a separate bank account that names GEFA as the beneficiary, prohibits the borrower from withdrawing funds without GEFA’s written consent, and requires the bank to submit quarterly statements of activity and account balance information directly to GEFA.

- A debt service coverage ratio of less than 1.05x – Additional security through an agreement with the authority's local government that is willing and able to provide a full-faith-and-credit pledge to back the loan.
- For nongovernmental entity borrowers, a deed to secure debt will be required.

11. RELEASE OF GEFA FUNDS DURING CONSTRUCTION

GEFA monitors construction and endorses GEFA payments in accordance with the loan agreement. To allow monitoring, the loan or grant recipient must notify GEFA prior to commencing construction.

12. LOAN EXECUTION DEADLINE

If the loan agreement is not fully executed within six months (180 days) from the date of board approval, GEFA reserves the right to terminate its commitment.

13. LOAN RESTRUCTURING

Loan restructuring is the changing of terms and/or conditions of an existing loan. The range of restructuring options may include adjusting the interest rate of a loan, changing the amortization period of a loan, or changing the repayment schedule to adjust allocation between interest and principal. GEFA will consider a borrower's request to restructure its existing GEFA loan(s) on a case-by-case basis if the borrower is experiencing financial hardship. In evaluating a restructuring request, GEFA will consider at a minimum the following indicators of financial hardship:

- The borrower's debt service coverage ratio history.
- The type and extent of efforts undertaken by the borrower to improve its financial condition, including enhancing revenues from rate increases or raising of ad valorem taxes and/or reducing costs.
- Emergency or exigent circumstances beyond the control of the borrower that impose a long-term and severe financial hardship.

Under no circumstances will loan principal be forgiven.

14. LOAN REFINANCING

Loan refinancing uses loan funds to pay off an existing debt obligation, thereby satisfying the terms of the existing debt agreement and cancelling the existing obligation. GEFA will consider requests to refinance existing GEFA debt on a case-by-case basis if one of the following conditions is met:

- The community is requesting a loan from GEFA to finance an eligible, time-sensitive, and critical project, but needs to consolidate existing GEFA debt into the new loan to afford the new project.
- The community has an engineering loan it would like to refinance with the proceeds of a construction loan from GEFA, thereby combining the engineering loan and the construction loan into one loan.

15. CREDIT ANALYSIS

GEFA requires a minimum debt service coverage of 1.05 times in the first year of repayment and each subsequent year of the outstanding GEFA debt.