

WHAT: Distressed Watershed Program

For WHAT: LOANS for Construction of Water development projects to improve water quality in distressed watersheds

WHY: To supplement financial assistance from the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund, from other offices, agencies or political subdivisions of the State, or from the United States for water development projects to improve water quality in distressed watersheds
(Purpose)

By WHOM: Administered by: OWDA and ODNR
Funded by: OWDA Other Projects Fund from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus

For WHOM: Local Governmental Agencies (“LGAs”), at the request of the Director of Natural Resources (“Director”), for the improvement of water quality in watersheds designated to be in distress under Ohio Administrative Code Section 1501:15-5-20
(Eligibility Criteria)

HOW MUCH:

Loan Amount:	Determined by the Director up to a maximum of \$5 million per project per year		
Eligible Costs:	Engineering and design fees, construction costs, legal and inspection fees		
Loan Admin Fee:	.35% (.0035) of total est. project costs, subject to waiver for loans to Director Contract		
Interest Rate:	Determined by the ODNR Director		
Rate Discounts:	N/A		
Capitalized Interest Rate:	Same % as Contract Interest Rate; accrues on portion of loan disbursed, until 6 months prior to the Loan Maturity Date		
Retainage:	To the extent required by law		
Repayment Rate:	Determined by the ODNR Director		
Late Payment Penalty:	Determined by the ODNR Director		

HOW LONG: Construction Loan
(Contract Term) Min & Max: Determined by useful life of project as agreed upon by the ODNR Director and OWDA

WHEN:

Application:	Due 15 th of the month
Loan Admin. Fee:	Due when the Loan Agreement is executed (signed by all parties)
Repaymt Invoice:	Mailed approximately every May 15 and Nov 15 by OWDA to loan recipients
Construction Loan Repayment:	Begins maximum of: 29 months from Cooperative Agreement date OR 6 months after project completion date; with semi-annual repayments due every January 1 and July 1

WHERE:

Application from and to:	OWDA Chief Loan Officer
Disbursement request:	OWDA Chief Engineer
Repayment to:	OWDA Accounting Dept.

HOW: To Apply the Borrower must:

1. Fill out and submit application form with supporting documents as listed on the application.
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For Cooperative Agreement approval the Borrower must:

1. Receive bids and tentatively approve contract awards.
 2. If applicable, pass legislation authorizing signing of the Cooperative Agreement.
 3. Complete any necessary assessment, tap-in and/or rate legislation.
 4. Prepare a projection schedule of revenues, debt service obligations, and operation and maintenance costs, over the contract term of years repayments are to be made to OWDA.
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For Disbursement of loan funds the Borrower must:

1. Submit Loan Payment request letter with:
 - 1a. Supporting technical services invoices;
 - 1b. Contractor's Estimate Form and supporting contractors' documentation.
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Documentation: Ohio Revised Code: Sections 1501.02, 1511.02(E), 6121.04(E)
OWDA Board Action: Resolution 24-12