

Indiana ACEC Funding Sources Committee  
Agency Meeting Minutes

1 North Capitol Avenue  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
First Floor Conference Room

December 19, 2017

## 1. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Tony Akles, Chair, called the roll. The attendance sheet is attached.

## 2. INITIATIVES

### 2.1 BOTTLED WATER FUND SUBCOMMITTEE, PATTI YOUNT

Governor said to hold on this for now and there is a request to come up with new ideas for funding. There is not an updated timeline.

### 2.2 2018 FUNDING SOURCES WORKSHOP, MARK SULLIVAN

It is the intent to keep this workshop with the Environmental Working Group. If you are interested in helping contact Mark Sullivan.

## 3. FUNDING AGENCY UPDATES

### 3.1 INDIANA FINANCE AUTHORITY – INDIANA BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM (IBP)

No specific comments or questions.

IBP is looking to leverage project by researching well head protection areas. There is a call for an inventory for brownfields in the community. However, there is also difficulty getting the data from the communities.

### 3.2 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR BROWNFIELDS (TAB)

Attended the national brownfield conference. David Lloyd is the national director for TAB. It was noted at the national brownfield conference that the director is getting positive attention. Funding call is open all year long and it is bet to apply early for workshops and for pre-visioning exercise. A recent success was a 2-day workshop that linked the developers and city in Fishers.

### 3.3 USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD)

#### 3.3.1 Staffing

No staff changes. Jennifer Bullock is the environmental and the state engineers. She is keeping up with things.

In the field staff there is no one in Bloomfield office. It is managed out of the Jasper office. If there is a problem getting with RD let Rochelle know.

#### 3.3.2 RD Apply

RD apply is working very well even better than the paper reports. There was some apprehension at first, but it is working out. It is required in 2018. EVERYTHING will go through RD apply (Planning Grants, Drinking, Waste, Storm). The review time is much quicker. If snags develop or glitches, then let RD know so that RD Apply can continued to be developed.

#### 3.3.3 Funding

Is unknown. In the last 5 years Indiana has made superior progress in this area. The vision of working projects out is becoming a reality.

There is a good working relationship between Indiana and the National office as it relates on how to efficiently streamline processes. As a fiscally responsible state, we give smaller loans with a 0% default rate. Indiana is using the money and is paying it back.

#### 3.3.4 American Iron and Steel

There is a bulletin that is attached with the meeting notes.

#### 3.3.5 PER Reviews

The following list should help with PER reviews:

- All alternatives are included.
- The entire system is evaluated.
- Amendments are no longer encouraged.
- If it is not in the PER it won't get funded.
- Equipment needs need to be in the PER.
- Use of remaining funds as a onetime deal. The continuing resolutions is pushing this quite a bit.

- There are contingency funds. If there are additional funds after bidding, then there is a de-obligation because these money needs to be available. We cannot hang up dollars. The cap on the contingency is 10%. The amount over the bids plus the 10% is put back.

#### 3.4 SRF LOAN PROGRAM – CAMILLE MEINERS

The project priority list is being updated right now. There are some projects that have done some phased partial closings. \$208M Clean Water \$28.5M in Drinking Water.

Lead line replacement is available similar to the green project reserve and the interest rate can go down to 0%.

The loan terms have been extended to 35-years for pipe installation. There needs to be a certificate of useful life provided to receive this 35-year extension.

The flooding program matches well with OCRA and can be used to leverage projects.

#### 3.5 IU PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE -

Agenda attached

#### 3.6 INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY & RURAL AFFAIRS (OCRA) –

Eric Ogle is the new CDBG Program Director.

There is an additional round of funding (round 3) applications are due in February.

Eliminated the limitation of the number of funding open limit from 2 and 3.

There is one copy required for hard now. No longer 5 copies.

Historic renovation is a rolling application and is open now.

New legislation 106 review. buildings in historic the section 106 review is sufficient.

## **4. FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

- 4.1 AGENDA SETTING MARCH 7, 2018 1-2PM DONOHUE
- 4.2 COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 21, 2018 1:30-3:00PM 1 NORTH CAPITOL

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**December 19, 2017  
1:30 to 3 P.M.**

**Attendance Roster**

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Rural Utilities Service  
RUS BULLETIN 1780-35

**SUBJECT:** Guidance for the Implementation of American Iron and Steel (AIS) Requirements with Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Financial Assistance

**TO:** Rural Development (RD) state directors, RUS program directors, and state engineers.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Date of approval.

**OFFICE OF PRIMARY INTEREST:** Engineering and Environmental Staff (EES), Water and Environmental Programs (WEP).

**INSTRUCTIONS:** This is a new Bulletin and does not replace any existing RUS Bulletin.

**AVAILABILITY:** This Bulletin, as well as any RD or RUS instructions, regulations, or forms referenced in this Bulletin are available at any RD State Office. The State Office staff is familiar with the use of the documents in their States and can answer specific questions on RD requirements.

This Bulletin is available on the RUS website at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/publications/regulations-guidelines/bulletins/water-and-environmental>.

**PURPOSE:** This Bulletin assists RD staff in providing information and guidance to applicants, professional consultants, general contractors, and manufacturers regarding the AIS Requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference. The intended outcome of this Bulletin is to instruct and inform RD State Office staff and others on how to implement these requirements to ensure compliance with the AIS requirements.

**MODIFICATIONS:** RD State Offices may modify this guidance when appropriate to comply with state statutes and regulations in accordance with the procedures outlined at RD Instruction 2006-B (2006.55).

*Scott Barringer*  
for SCOTT BARRINGER  
Acting Assistant Administrator  
Water and Environmental Programs

August 30, 2017  
Date

# Environmental Infrastructure Working Group

January 2018

The Environmental Infrastructure Working Group (EIWG) is comprised of representatives from various state and federal agencies that meet with communities to discuss funding options for water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure projects. The group also reviews economic development project funding options.

**EIWG Process:** Communities request a meeting with EIWG by submitting a two-page In-Take Document to the Indiana Rural Wastewater Task Force. A meeting then will be scheduled between EIWG and the community. Project meetings allow communities to collectively meet with agency representatives to evaluate the community's situation and to identify funding and technical assistance options. The project meeting and in-take document process allow communities the opportunity to explore all assistance options at one meeting. It also provides for early coordination of multiple funding sources

**2018 Proposed Meeting Schedule:** EIWG meetings are usually held on the *second Thursday* of each month at 1:00 pm (Indianapolis time). The following dates and times are tentative. You will be notified of the date and time prior to YOUR meeting with EIWG. Please call the Indiana Rural Wastewater Task Force at 317/261-3046 for confirmation and directions.

January 11, 2018  
February 8, 2018  
March 8, 2018  
April 12, 2018  
May 10, 2018  
June 14, 2018

July 12, 2018  
August 9, 2018  
September 13, 2018  
October 11, 2018  
November 8, 2018  
December 13, 2018