



# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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# IMPORTANT PROGRAM FEATURES

\$20 MIL

Minimum project size for large communities.



Maximum time that repayment may be deferred after substantial completion of the project.

\$5 MIL Minimum project size for small communities (population of 25,000 or less).



Interest rate will be equal to or greater than the U.S. Treasury rate of a similar maturity.

49%

Maximum portion of eligible project costs that WIFIA can fund.



Projects must be creditworthy.

35 YEARS

Maximum final maturity date from substantial completion.



NEPA, Davis-Bacon, American Iron and Steel, and all federal cross-cutter provisions apply.



### FLEXIBLE FINANCIAL TERMS

#### **Customized repayment schedule**

- Repayment period is 35 years from substantial completion
- Payments may be deferred up to 5 years following substantial completion
- WIFIA loans can be amortized to complement other debt repayments

#### **Disbursements**

- Multiple disbursements at no additional cost to the borrower
- May be synchronized with funding needs, reducing the amount of accrued interest

#### **Prepayment**

There is no penalty for prepayment

#### **Lien Priority**

• WIFIA loans may be junior (i.e., subordinate) to the senior debt obligations in payment priority in some circumstances

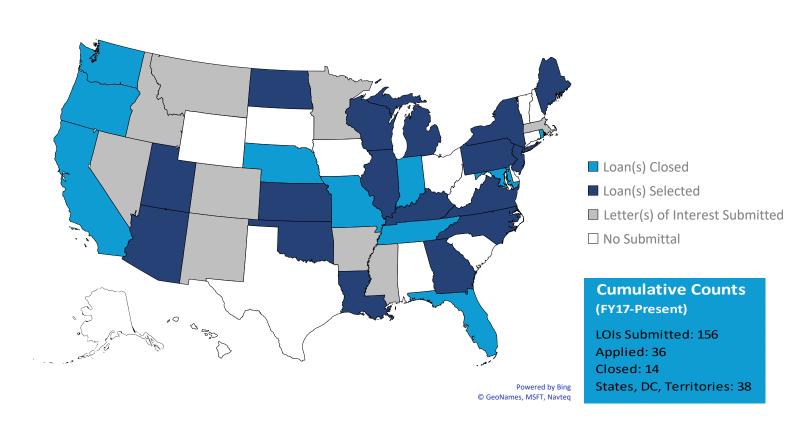
# PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Analyzes the potential environmental impacts of water infrastructure projects eligible for WIFIA credit assistance

- Presents nationwide information on existing conditions
- Discusses potential impacts and mitigation measures that might typically occur during construction and operation of broad project types
- Provides mechanisms to evaluate site specific conditions and impacts for individual projects, and to determine if projects impacts fall within the scope of the programmatic environmental assessment
- Does not require an additional public comment period

### WIFIA INTEREST AND IMPACT

Over \$3.5 billion of loans closed saving borrowers \$1.1 billion





# **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Example Project Y: \$250M low to medium risk capital project

PLEDGE		TERM SHEET & LOAN AGREEMENT	APPROVAL & CLOSING	WIFIA FEES
	EVALUATION	DEVELOPMENT	CLOSING	
Existing Lien of System Revenues	6 Months			\$250,000

Example Project Z: \$1,000M innovative high risk capital project

PLEDGE	APPLICATION	TERM SHEET & LOAN	APPROVAL &	WIFIA FEES
	EVALUATION	AGREEMENT	CLOSING	
		DEVELOPMENT		
Public-Private Partnership	12 Months			\$500,000+
with Customized Terms				

# FEATURES OF CLOSED LOANS

BORROWER	KING COUNTY	ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT	CITY OF BALTIMORE	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
LOAN AMOUNT	\$134M	\$135M	\$202M	\$99.7M
TERM	30 years from project completion	35 years from project completion	35 years from project completion	35 years from project completion
INTEREST RATE	3.06%	3.06%	2.88%	2.89%
CO-FINANCING	Revenue Bonds & SRF Loan	Certificates of Participation	Revenue Bonds, SRF Loan, Bay Restoration Fund Grants	SRF Loan
TRANSACTION FLEXIBILITIES	1) 10+ year interest only period 2) Sculpted debt service	<ol> <li>Optional ability to use WIFIA to retire construction financing</li> <li>5 year capitalized interest after construction</li> <li>Springing Lien</li> </ol>	1) City was able to operate as normal under the Bond Resolution 2) Continuing Disclosure notices address reporting in loan agreement	<ol> <li>Capitalized interested</li> <li>Subordinated debt without springing lien provision</li> </ol>

## RESOURCES

#### **General information**

https://www.epa.gov/wifia/learn-about-wifia-program

- Program overview
- Links to laws and regulations
- Recordings and presentations from past webinars
- Frequently asked questions

#### **Application Materials and Resources**

https://www.epa.gov/wifia/wifia-application-materials-and-resources

- Letter of Interest form
- Letter of Interest FAQ
- Application form
- WIFIA Program Handbook
- Sample financial pro forma



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