





Office of Water Management

## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Implementation and the State Revolving Fund Program

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## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- BIL provides \$50 Billion to EPA to strengthen the drinking water and wastewater systems.
- BIL = IIJA
- Amendment to SDWA 1452 and CWA Title VI
  - DWSRF and CWSRF Authorizing Sections
  - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- 5 years of Funding for supplemental pots
- EPA Implementation Memo



## BIL - EPA Key Priorities

- Provide Flexibility to Meet Local Water Needs
- Increase Investment in Underserved Comm.
- Rapid Progress on LSL Replacement
- Tackle Forever Chemicals and other Emerging Contaminants
- Focus on Resilience and Climate



## BIL - EPA Key Priorities (Con't)

- Cultivate Domestic Manufacturing
- Full Enforce Civil Rights
- Refine State SRFs to Build the Pipeline of Projects



## BIL - Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

- Available Funds
  - (1 Existing Base and 3 New Supplemental Pots)
- Base \$25,892,400
- Supplemental Pots
  - General Supplemental \$60,943,300
  - Lead Service Line \$87,296,000
  - Emerging Contaminant \$23,264,000
- DWSRF Total \$197,450,000



## BIL - Clean Water State Revolving Fund

- Available Funds
  - (1 Existing and 2 New Supplemental Pots)
- Base \$54,999,600
- Supplemental Pots
  - General Supplemental \$77,050,000
  - Emerging Contaminant \$3,704,000
- New 2% Set-Aside for technical assistance
- CWSRF Total \$136,253,600



#### **Technical Assistance**

- Recognized Barriers to Utilizing SRF Funds
  - Small and disadvantaged system lack TMF
     Capacity to get project implemented
  - Unwillingness to move forward with project due to project development cost and momentum
  - Projects need additional support
  - Technical Assistance Goal



#### **Technical Assistance**

- What is Technical Assistance?
  - Marketing and Outreach
  - Needs Analysis and Project Development
  - Project Design
  - Apply for Funding
  - TMF Capacity Development



### Technical Assistance

- BSDW existing Technical Assistance Program
- DEP/PennVest RFP for Technical Assistance
- Overall Technical Assistance Goals
  - Long term DEP Program
  - Short term Technical Assistance Contract



## **BIL Current Implementation**

- All seven (7) grants have been awarded
- PENNVEST is actively engaging potential applicants to utilize the BIL Funds
- DEP is increasing staff complement
  - Provide technical and admin staff to support implementation of planning, permitting, and technical assistance
- If potential applicants have projects, reach out to PENNVEST or DEP

#### **BIL**

# Questions?

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