

# Wastewater and Drinking Water Infrastructure Funding Updates

## *Opportunities for Ohio*

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# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio

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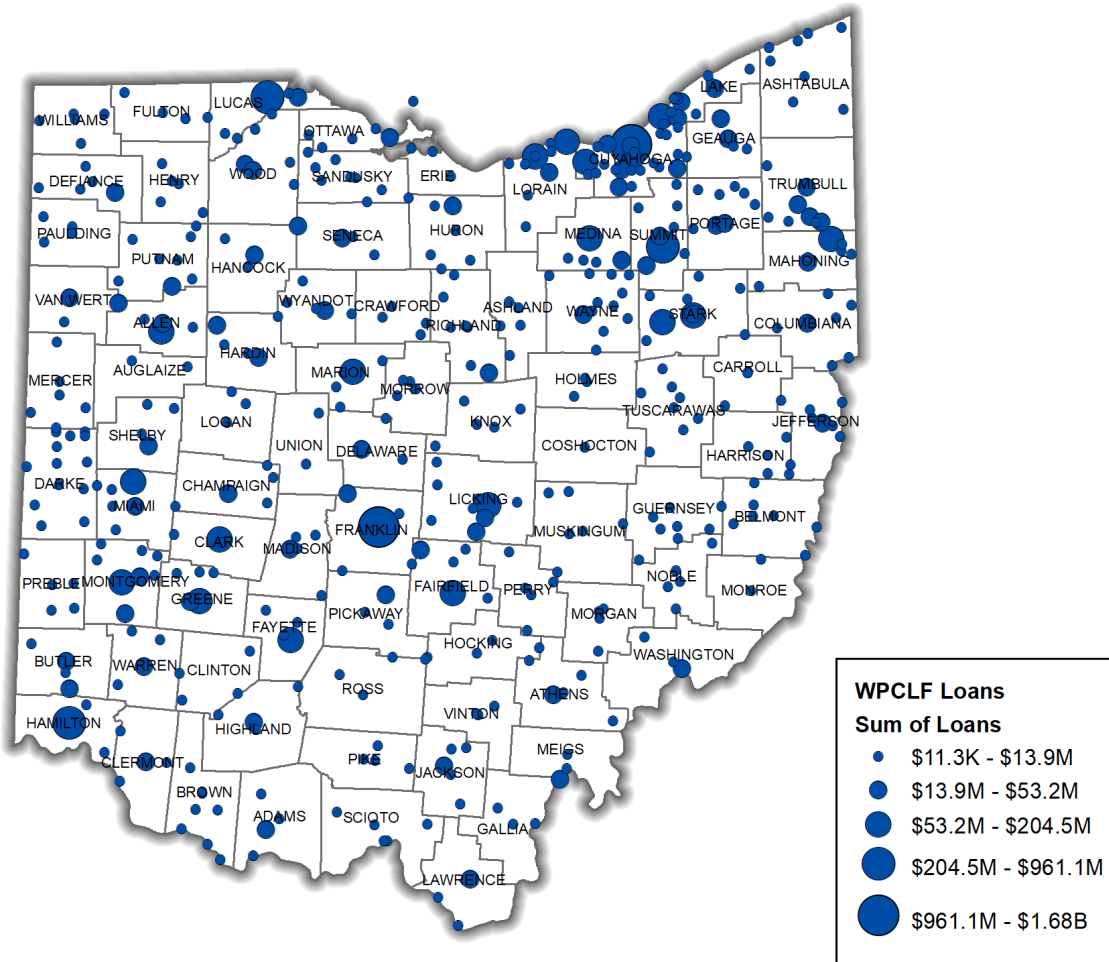
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# Ohio's Two State Revolving Funds

	<b>Water Pollution Control Loan Fund</b>	<b>Water Supply Revolving Loan Account</b>
Authorization (year)	CWA 1987	SDWA 1996
First Loan	Sept. 1989	Feb. 1999
Total Projects	2,786 loans - \$10.7 billion	943 loans - \$2.07 billion
Federal Seed Money	\$2.5 billion	\$674 million
State Matching Funds	\$495 million	\$135 million
<b>Annual Capacity</b>	<b>\$500 million/year</b>	<b>\$150 million/year</b>

Standard Rate for October 2021 = 0.42%!

# WPCLF Funding in Ohio



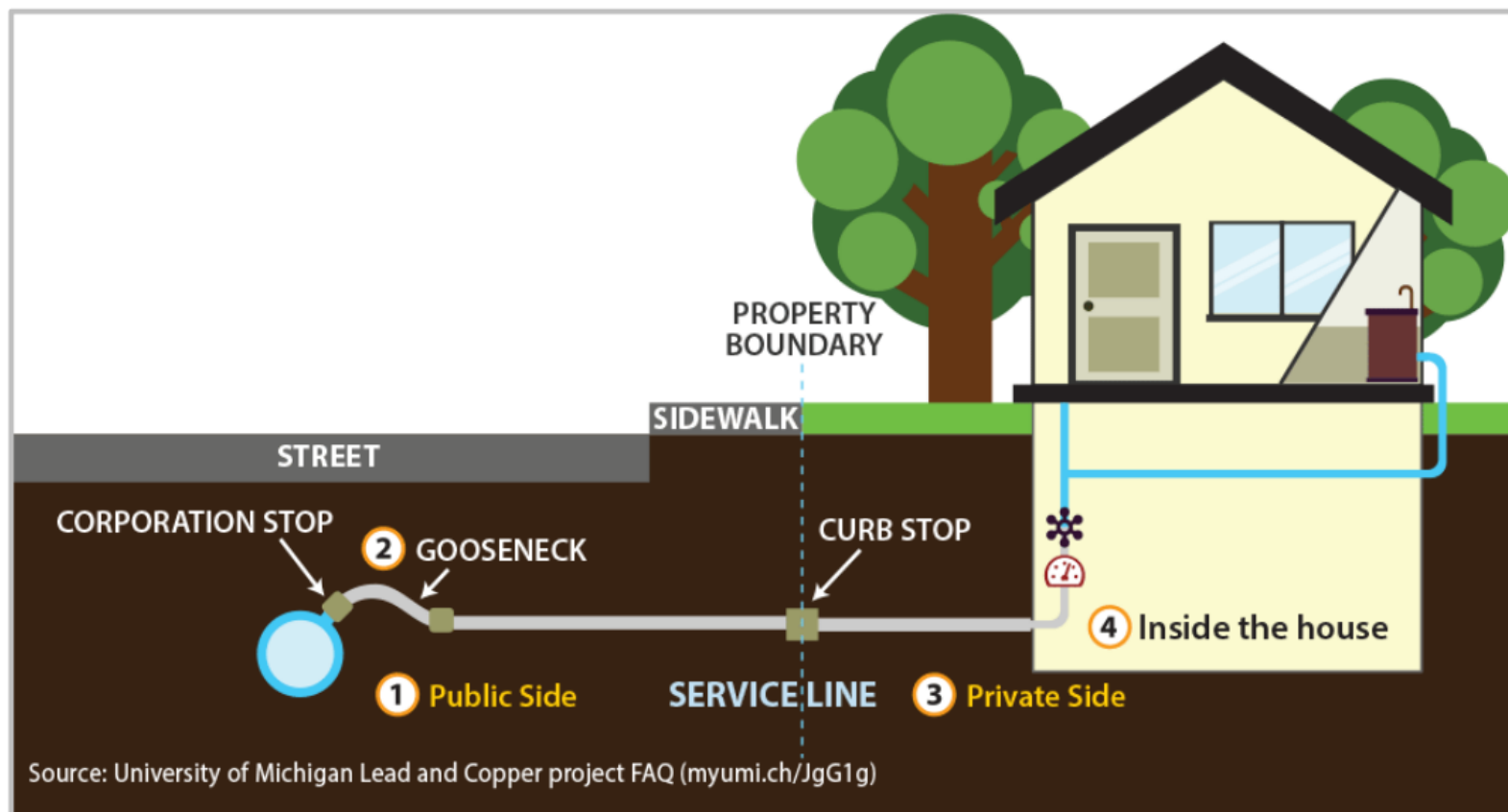
# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio SRF Principal Forgiveness

**WPCLF ~ \$35M/year**

**WSLRA ~ \$13M/year**

- Principal forgiveness has been a component of the SRFs since 2009
- Disadvantaged Communities that are “ready to proceed”
- Water/Wastewater Infrastructure, HSTS Repair and Replacement;
- Regionalization
- Lead Service Line replacement

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio SRF Principal Forgiveness for LSL Replacements



**\$20 million in funding available for  
LSL replacement - WIFTA**

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- \$172 million made available in 2020-2021 biennium. ODA, ODNR, and Ohio EPA
- Ohio EPA allocated \$8.675 M/year. Focus areas:
  - HSTS Repair and Replacement
  - Daycare LSL Replacement
  - Water/Wastewater Infrastructure
  - Technology Assessment
  - Water Quality Monitoring



# Ohio EPA Year 1



# H2Ohio



Ohio EPA  
Year 2



- State Fiscal Year 2022-2023 biennial budget includes \$172 million for H2Ohio.
- State Agencies will administer:
  - 98.6 million - Department of Agriculture
  - \$50 million – Department of Natural Resources
  - \$20 million – Ohio EPA
    - ✓ Water and Wastewater Infrastructure
    - ✓ Lead Service Line Initiatives
    - ✓ Home Sewage Replacements

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# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio American Rescue Plan Act

- Federal law which passed in March 2021
- Contained \$350B in State and Local Funds
- Ohio State and Local Governments received approx. \$11B
- Four main uses, one of which is to make improvements in water, wastewater and broadband
- Ohio passes **HB 168** in June 2021

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio American Rescue Plan Act

*INVESTING* in **Ohio's**  
**FUTURE**

**The Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant**

**\$250,000,000** for design and construction  
of water and wastewater infrastructure

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## Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Program

- ✓ Administered by the Ohio Department of Development
- ✓ [www.InvestingInOhiosFuture.ohio.gov](http://www.InvestingInOhiosFuture.ohio.gov)
- ✓ \$250 million for planning, design, and construction of water and wastewater infrastructure
- ✓ Application portal was opened online July 30, 2021
- ✓ First grants announced October 26, 2021
- ✓ Another round of grants announced November 2, 2021
- ✓ Awarded = 82 projects; \$137 million
- ✓ Approximately \$110 million remains
- ✓ Questions: [watergrants@development.ohio.gov](mailto:watergrants@development.ohio.gov)

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio American Rescue Plan Act

- State and Local Governments received \$11 Billion
  - State – \$5.3 B
  - **Metro Cities - \$2.1 B and Counties – \$2.2 B**
  - **Non-entitlement Governments - \$800 million**
- Local Governments can use their allocation for water and wastewater infrastructure, too
  - Co-funding with other funding sources
  - Eligibilities aligned with SRF Programs
  - Could use funds for Planning & Design



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# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

- Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) = Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal (BID) = Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework (BIF)
- Over 2,000 pages of legislation that includes funding for roads, bridges, power infrastructure, passenger and freight rail, broadband, drinking water, wastewater, remediating contaminated sites, public transit, airports, port infrastructure, electric vehicles

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

- Key provisions for water infrastructure:
  - Provide over \$43 Billion in new funding over 5 years
  - Increase capitalizations to the State Revolving Fund (SRFs) programs. **\$11.7 Billion each for CWSRF and DWSRF**
  - Provide new SRF funding for “Emerging Contaminants” to both SRFs. **\$1 B for CWSRF and \$4 B for DWSRF**
  - Provide substantial new funding for LSL replacements to the SRFs. **\$15 Billion for DWSRF**
  - Additional **\$5 Billion** in drinking water grants administered directly by U.S. EPA (WIIN grants).

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

- Other Provisions include:
  - Overall, \$60 billion administered through U.S. EPA
  - \$5 billion for Clean School Buses
  - \$3.5 billion for Superfund Remedial Clean-ups
  - \$1.5 billion Brownfield redevelopment
  - \$1 billion for Great Lakes restoration
  - \$100 million Pollution Prevention grants
  - \$50 million Underground Injection Control grants
  - \$25 million for Battery Recycling

# Funding Updates – Opportunities for Ohio

## Summary

- State and Federal funding opportunities are numerous. The next 3-5 years could see huge reinvestment in environmental infrastructure.
- Opportunities (and challenges) abound.
- Communication and stakeholder involvement are more important than ever.
- Historic opportunity for Ohio to solve existing problems and lay the foundation for the future.

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