

May 10, 2012

Dear Public Water System Owner/Interested Party,

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters has issued a public notice of the Draft Intended Use and Management Plan which includes an updated project priority list for the Drinking Water Assistance Fund (DWAFF) for Program Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013). You are being sent this notice because we determined you may be an interested party. The public notice is included within this email below.

The DWAFF offers below market rate loans to assist eligible publicly- and privately-owned community water systems and non-profit, non-transient, non-community water systems to make necessary improvements to their drinking water systems. To be eligible for a loan from the DWAFF, public water systems must have submitted a nomination form to be placed on the project priority list by March 15, 2012.

Changes have been made to this year's draft plan. Please review a copy so you understand how these changes may affect your public water system. The draft plan is available on our webpage located at: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/financialassistance.aspx>.

If you have questions concerning the Drinking Water Assistance Fund, please contact the Drinking Water Assistance Fund at (614) 644-2752. To submit comments, please follow the instructions as stated in the public notice.

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Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
P U B L I C N O T I C E
DRAFT Program Management and Intended Use Plan
For The Drinking Water Assistance Fund
For Program Year 2013

Public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW) has issued the DRAFT Program Management and Intended Use Plan for the Drinking Water Assistance Fund, which has been authorized by Ohio Revised Code section 6109.22 and Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Copies of the DRAFT Program Management and Intended Use Plan are available from the Division of Drinking and Ground Waters upon request, through the Internet at <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/financialassistance.aspx> or by writing to:

Ohio EPA
Lazarus Government Center
Attention: Susie Bodnar, DDAGW
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049

Written comments should be submitted to:

Ohio EPA
Lazarus Government Center
Attention: Sam MacDonald, DDAGW
P. O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049
E-mail address: sam.macdonald@epa.state.oh.us

Written comments must be received on or before Wednesday, June 13, 2012.

To allow interested persons to present their comments and suggestions, and for Ohio EPA to provide a response to questions on Ohio's DRAFT Program Year 2013 Program Management and Intended Use Plan, two public meetings will be held at the following times and location:

1:00PM and 4:00PM, Wednesday, June 13, 2012
Ohio EPA
Lazarus Government Center
50 W. Town Street, Suite 700
Main Conference Room A
Columbus, Ohio 43215