

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayors, Public Works Directors, Presidents of County Boards of Supervisors, County Administrators, Wastewater District/Authority Directors, Consulting Engineers, and Other Interested Parties

FROM: MS Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Pollution Control

SUBJECT: Water Pollution Control (Clean Water) Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRLF) Program
Wastewater and Non-Point Source Pollution Control Projects
Draft Amendment No. 1 to FY-05 Intended Use Plan (IUP)

DATE: July 15, 2005

The Department of Environmental Quality has established a public comment period through August 15, 2005 on the Draft Amendment No. 1 to FY-05 WPCRLF IUP. Copies of this document are being sent to potential loan recipients and their consultants that have projects listed on the FY-05 Priority List and the FY-06 and After Planning List of this IUP. Others who wish to receive a copy of these documents can go to our MDEQ website at www.deq.state.ms.us, go to Surface Water then to Construction Branch, click on Water Pollution Control (Clean Water) Revolving Fund Loan Program and look under Documents. If you do not have access to the Internet you can call Sandra Powell at (601) 961-5125 to request that a copy be mailed to you.

Written comments on this document must be received at the below address no later than August 15, 2005. Also, the Commission on Environmental Quality will hold a public hearing at 1:00 p.m., Monday, August 15, 2005, in the Commission Hearing Room at the offices of the Department of Environmental Quality, located at 2380 Highway 80 West (Southport Center) in Jackson, to receive written or oral comments on these documents. Regardless of how comments are received, equal consideration will be given by the Commission prior to adoption of these documents.

A description of the changes to this document follows:

Draft Amendment No. 1 to WPCRLF FY-05 Intended Use Plan

- The following projects are being added to the FY-06 and After Planning List and are pursuing possible funding in FY-05.
 - Prentiss County Board of Supervisors – Wheeler Community (New Collection); and
 - City of Pascagoula – Sewer System Rehabilitation.
- To account for the fact that not all of the state match funds needed to match the FY-05 Cap Grant will be available during State FY-06.
- To obligate anticipated loan repayments and interest earnings through September, 2006 to replace state match and FY-05 Cap Grant funds that will not be available for the FY-05 projects, and to make additional funds available for anticipated loan increase requests and/or other award requests.
- To provide clarification of the Department’s authority to make certain amendments to existing loan agreements to transfer project scope and funds from one loan agreement to another for the same loan recipient, to close out loans with completed project portions and delete the remaining portions that are delayed in violation of the loan schedules or award a new loan for the delayed portions of the project, and to award multiple loans for individual portions of a project shown on the Priority List.

We look forward to receiving your input on these documents. If you have any questions, or if we can be of assistance in any way, please contact Mark Smith at (601) 961-5130.

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Attachments