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**ALERT!**  
**TO UTILITY MEMBERS**

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## Utility Advisory

**Who: U.S. EPA**  
**What: Deadline extended for WIFIA letter of interest submissions**  
**When: July 31**

As noted in a recent AWWA advisory, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued a notice of funding availability for the second round of loans under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program.

The deadline to submit a letter of interest to EPA to apply for a WIFIA loan has been extended to July 31.

In a press release on this announcement, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt said, "By extending the deadline to apply for a WIFIA loan, even more entities will be able to bring critical water infrastructure improvements to their communities, including projects that keep lead and other contaminants out of drinking water."

Acquiring a WIFIA loan is a two-step process. First, utilities or entities send EPA a letter of interest. That triggers a dialogue with EPA infrastructure finance staff. Then EPA invites select utilities or entities to proceed to the formal application phase. There are no fees for the letters of interest, but there are fees for the application. Therefore, EPA only invites utilities or entities to proceed to

application if it feels they are certain to obtain the loan.

EPA is hosting upcoming information sessions on the WIFIA program; the next one is on May 30 at 2 p.m. ET. EPA's WIFIA website also has helpful information available on the program.

The WIFIA program just closed on its first loan, a \$135.4 million loan to King County, Wash. to help finance its Georgetown Wet Weather Treatment Station. Eleven more WIFIA loan applications are expected to close this year.



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