

**TRACIE DAVIES**

Director

Mr. Steven Malone  
Mr. Kevin Spurbeck  
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Re: City of Columbus, Department of Public Utilities' Preliminary Intent to Enter into a WRRSP Sponsorship Agreement

April 23, 2020

Dear Mr. Spurbeck & Mr. Malone:

By this letter we are informing you of our preliminary intent to enter into a sponsorship agreement for the purpose of implementing the following two (2) Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) projects: **Big Darby Creek Conservation Corridor Additions Project - \$2,258,000; and the Fleming Bend Protection and Restoration Project - \$2,611,000.**

These projects may be sponsored by The City of Columbus, Department of Public Utilities, and will be implemented by the Appalachia Ohio Alliance. These projects may be sponsored by the following loan(s), contingent upon the City of Columbus' decision to fund the project(s) via the WPCLF program:

**Lower Olentangy Tunnel, CIP# 650724-100000; WPCLF# CS390274-0362**

**Central College Subtrunk Extension Phase 3, CIP #650033-100003; WPCLF# CS390274-0376**

The City of Columbus Department of Public Utilities reserves the right to determine the funding source of its WPCLF-eligible projects on a case-by-case basis prior to the bidding of the projects. Should the WPCLF program be determined to be the best available funding source for the project above, at the time of bid, and contingent upon the approval of City Council, Columbus will be willing to avail it as a Sponsor Project for the Big Darby Creek Conservation Corridor Scioto River Flyway Initiative (Carter and Confluence Properties) and the Fleming Bend Protection and Restoration – Scioto River Flyway Corridor Initiative.

Signed Sponsor:



Tracie Davies, Director  
Columbus Department of Public Utilities

4/23/2020

Date

Signed Implementer:



Steve Fleegal, Executive Director  
Appalachia Ohio Alliance

4/23/2020

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