

ANRC Funding Information & Checklist

For general information regarding ANRC Funding and checklist contact:

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Infrastructure funds will be through our normal application process, the current IJJA/BIL funding (specifically principal forgiveness, when available) is anticipated to be allocated annually at the November commission meeting. The hyperlink to application due dates is listed below, remember the application must be complete with all data required to complete the analysis by the due date to be considered. All projects to be considered for principal forgiveness must also be on the relevant project priority list.

We would encourage you to sign up for the mailing list for updates and notices about funding opportunities:

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/ArkansasAgriculture1/MailingListForWaterDevelopmentDutySection>

Current interest/lending rates can be found on this webpage:

<https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/>

All ANRC Funding Applications must be submitted through EnABLE, Arkansas Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Division's (NRD) web-based financial management system.

EnABLE supports recipient submission of ANRC Funding applications using the EnABLE web-based system.

Request an EnABLE account

ANRC applicants should complete the User Access Form to request an EnABLE account to create authorized users. Please send the signed form to: ANRC.Applications@agriculture.arkansas.gov.

The EnABLE User Access Form is available on this web page:

<https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/water-wastewater-funding-applications/>

When adding users to the form, indicate the role for each user with the drop-down box. In addition to selecting the role, please indicate if each user will be authorized to submit a funding application and/or a draw (reimbursement) request. The Enable User Access Form must be signed by an authorized signatory authority on file with NRD. If a signatory authority resolution is not on file with NRD, examples are available at this web page: <https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/water-wastewater-funding-applications/>.

Once an EnABLE User Account has been created the UserID, a temporary password will be sent to each user from the system with further instructions on how to access EnABLE.

The following checklist and information are provided as a guide to completing the application process.

This checklist is available on this web page: <https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/water-wastewater-funding-applications/>

1. Clean Water SRF Project Priority List form (Wastewater systems and Non Point Source Projects) or Drinking Water SRF Project Priority List Form (Water systems)

In addition to the ANRC Funding Application, all projects that may receive funding from the Clean Water or Drinking Water SRF programs are required to be on the **relevant project priority list**. To be

added to the relevant list you can visit the Water Development Webpage (<https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/>), scroll down to State Revolving Fund Priority List and then click the appropriate “here” to open the form. We suggest you add all projects that you may wish to fund in the next five years to the relevant project priority list, regardless of the funding source you plan to utilize. Projects will be removed from the list after five years or upon completion of the project.

2. WWAC Pre-Application

The first step in our funding process is to complete a Water & Wastewater Advisory Committee (WWAC) pre-application, the Committee meets monthly to review applications. After this committee reviews the project pre-application, WWAC will make a recommendation in writing on the funding source. However, if the information submitted is not complete or the agencies reviewing the information have questions, the Committee will send out a comment letter asking for additional information. Once each Agency is satisfied, the Committee will provide a recommendation letter listing the potential funding sources for the project. Email the application to: ANRC.WWAC@agriculture.arkansas.gov

WWAC deadlines and pre-application are available on our website (scroll to bottom of webpage):

<https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/the-water-wastewater-advisory-committee/>

- All water and sewer projects must complete the state required water plan compliance review. Additional information on the water plan compliance review is available on our website below, or you can contact Josh Burns, State Water Compliance Engineer, at 501-682-3916 or josh.burns@arkansas.gov, website <https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-management/water-plan-compliance/>

3. ANRC Funding Application and Current Signatory Authority Resolution

Once an EnABLE User Account has been created, the next step is to complete the ANRC Funding Application, the Additional Application Data Form, and, if needed, a Current Signatory Authority Resolution (one- or two-person form) in EnABLE.

These forms are available on the Recipient Dashboard in EnABLE. From the Applications page, click on Dynamic Forms tab, then click on the ⊕ and select the appropriate form. Detailed instructions are available in the EnABLE User Guide under the Select Resources icon in the upper right-hand corner of the dashboard.



The Natural Resources Commission typically meets every other month, odd numbered months. We recommend submitting applications as soon as possible.

Commission dates and deadlines can be found at this Webpage:

<https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/water-and-wastewater-funding/>

4. Environmental Guidance

All applicants are advised to contact ANRC Environmental Review Specialist, Keith Sanders keith.sanders@arkansas.gov, as early as possible to determine the scope and level of environmental review required as that determination may affect the proposed project cost.

More information on Environmental Guidance and forms for Environmental Categorical Exclusion Criteria (SRF), Environmental Checklist & Information Document Form (SRF), Environmental EID Mailing Lists (SRF) can be found at the webpage: <https://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/natural-resources/divisions/water-development/environmental-review-guidance/>

5. Commission Meeting

Once the ANRC Funding Application is deemed complete and the analysis has been finalized, the applicant will be notified by email and mail that the funding request will be presented for approval at the next scheduled Commission meeting that financial assistance is considered.