

## NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### Additions to the Project Priority Lists for the IIJA DWSRF-Emerging Contaminants and IIJA CWSRF-Emerging Contaminants Funding Awards between July 2025 and February 2026

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North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's (NC DEQ) Division of Water Infrastructure (Division) received conditional awards from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) for the FY2024 and FY2025 capitalization grants for the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund – Emerging Contaminants (DWSRF-EC) and the IIJA Clean Water State Revolving Fund – Emerging Contaminants (CWSRF-EC) programs. After completing a public comment period for [the Intended Use Plans \(IUPs\)](#) for the FY2024 and FY2025 capitalization grants, which contained a partial Project Priority List, the US EPA conditionally approved the Division's Intended Use Plans and required the Division to submit a revised Intended Use Plan with an updated Project Priority List prior to NC DEQ receiving the full federal allotments for the DWSRF-EC and CWSRF-EC capitalization grants.

The last public comment period during the month of March 2025 included Project Priority Lists displaying all applications that were received and awarded IIJA DWSRF-EC and IIJA CWSRF-EC funding through the February 2025 meeting of the State Water Infrastructure Authority (SWIA). Since then, the Division has received applications from eligible applicants for IIJA DWSRF-EC and IIJA CWSRF-EC funding, and SWIA has awarded funding to several applications between the months of July 2025 and February 2026. These applications and funding awards by SWIA are shown below and are appended to the existing Project Priority Lists. No other substantive changes were made to the Intended Use Plans after the public comment period last year, except for edits made as a result of public comments received.

The Project Priority List on the IUPs are proposed to be expanded to include the July 2025 through February 2026 funded projects shown below. The Project Priority List includes all eligible and complete applications that were considered for funding by the Division and the State Water Infrastructure Authority through February 2026. Funding awards were made in accordance with the FY2024 and FY2025 Intended Use Plans.

The Division invites public comments on the addition to the Project Priority Lists the funded applications listed below that were awarded IIJA DWSRF-EC and IIJA CWSRF-EC funds by SWIA between July 2025 and February 2026. Updates to the Project Priority Lists will be included in amended IUPs for the FY2024 and FY2025 capitalization grants. Please submit public comments by March 30, 2026.

## Applications and Funding Awards by SWIA for the IJJA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund – Emerging Contaminants (IJJA DWSRF-EC) Program between July 2025 and February 2026

### July 2025 Applications for Evaluation/Assessment Projects – SWIA awards in July 2025

Since July 2024, Evaluation/Assessment project applications are accepted year-round and presented to SWIA at their next meeting for funding awards from the Evaluation/Assessment Project Reserve. The following applications for Evaluation/Assessment projects were reviewed and awarded DWSRF-EC funding from the FY2024 IJJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant in SWIA’s July 2025 meeting.

Funded projects are shown in the “DWSRF-EC Funding” column.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Aqua North Carolina, Inc.	Brookwood Community Ion Exchange Filters	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0326127 NC0326143 NC0326341	16,545	Cumberland	\$500,000		\$500,000	34	Jul. 2026
South Granville Water and Sewer Authority	PFAS Pilot, Planning and Engineering	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0239107	18,479	Granville	\$500,000	Previously funded (pilot study, alternatives) awarded Fall 2023. Extending pilot study and design.	\$500,000	29	Jul. 2026
Greensboro, City of	Mitchell WTP ATEC Design	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0241010	316,082	Guilford	\$500,000		\$500,000	27	Jul. 2026
Goldensboro, City of	PFAS Treatment Preliminary Engineering	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0496010	33,214	Wayne	\$500,000	Previously funded (alternatives & pilot study) in Spring 2024. This application is a prelim engineering work.	\$500,000	24	Jul. 2026

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Harnett County	PFAS Treatment Evaluation and Pilot Test	Evaluation/ Assessment Project	NC0343045	111,655	Harnett	\$500,000	Previously funded in Fall 2023. Previous project was pilot study. Additional funds for preliminary engineering.	\$500,000	22	Jul. 2026

Total funding requested: \$2,500,000. Total funding awarded: \$2,500,000.

### Spring 2025 Application Round for Construction Projects – SWIA awards in July 2025

The following applications for Construction projects were reviewed and awarded DWSRF-EC funding from the FY2024 IJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant (\$10,468,345) and from the FY2025 IJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant (\$10,052,960). Funded projects are shown in the “DWSRF-EC Funding” column.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Aqua North Carolina, Inc	Brookwood Community Ion Exchange Filters	Construction	NC0326143, NC0326341	705	Cumberland	\$1,327,800	Project will be for different wells than for application #6.	\$1,327,800	47	Aug. 2026
Cumberland County	Gray's Creek Phase 2	Construction	NC5026026	253	Cumberland	\$19,614,136		\$5,000,000	47	Aug. 2026
Carolina Water Service, Inc	PFAS Implementation - College Park	Construction	NC0136214	41,320	Gaston	\$614,026		\$614,026	47	Aug. 2026
Martin County Regional Water and Sewer Authority	GAC Filters for PFAS Removal	Construction	NC6059015	4,991	Martin	\$1,015,500	Previously funded with SRF-D-EC-007. Requesting additional funds.	\$1,015,500	43	Aug. 2026

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Fayetteville Public Works Commission	PO Hoffer/Glenville Lake WTP GAC Facilit	Construction	NC0326010	214,405	Cumberland	\$51,182,600		\$5,000,000	43	Aug. 2026
Aqua North Carolina, Inc	Brookwood Community Ion Exchange Filters	Construction	NC0326127	15,840	Cumberland	\$3,983,400	Funding, in combination with application #1, capped at \$5M per applicant per year. Project will be for different wells than for application #1.	\$3,672,200	41	Aug. 2026
Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District	Drinking Water EC Construction Project	Construction	NC0442010	15,630	Halifax	\$31,115,000	Bypassed; met the \$5,000,000 cap per applicant per year in February 2025	\$0	41	
Carolina Water Service, Inc	PFAS Implementation - Tanglewood Estates	Construction	NC0326342	41,320	Cumberland	\$450,313		\$450,313	39	Aug. 2026
Graham, City of	Graham-Mebane WTP Improvements	Construction	NC0201015	18,057	Alamance	\$30,250,000	Last funded project. Partially awarded with all remaining DWSRF-EC funds available for construction in this round.	\$3,441,466	39	Aug. 2026
Johnston County	TGB WTP PFAS Treatment Addition	Construction	NC0351070, NC4051018	115,332	Johnston	\$4,100,000			38	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Arlington Heights Water Extension PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$2,615,143			37	

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Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Blossom St Area Water Main Ext PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$1,908,224			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Brentwood Area Water Main Ext - PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$1,250,808			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Burton Area Water Main Ext - PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$2,136,937			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Chadwick Acres Area Water Main Ext -PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$657,610			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Garden Place CFPWA Water Ext PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$1,280,519			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Hanover Gardens Area Water Main Ext-PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$666,649			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Marathon Farms Water Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$7,780,188			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	North College Water Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$959,659			37	

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Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Oakley Water Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$7,024,392			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Old Bridge Site Water Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$3,430,607			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Orange Street Water Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$1,191,796			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Prince George & Lynn Water Ext. to PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$3,085,762			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Whitman Water Main Ext. to PFAS Wells	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$1,138,519			37	
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority	Wrightsboro Acres Water Ext. to PFAS	Construction	NC0465010	181,242	New Hanover	\$3,312,783			37	
New Hanover County	NHC Garden Place Water Main Ext PFAS	Construction	NC0465010		New Hanover	\$1,963,096			37	
South Granville Water and Sewer Authority	Post-Filter PFAS Treatment Improvements	Construction	NC0239107	17,232	Granville	\$21,718,000			36	

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Greensboro, City of	Mitchell WTP Advanced Treatment for EC	Construction	NC0241010	320,756	Guilford	\$87,817,093			34	
Sampson County	Old Warsaw Rd Water Main Extensions	Construction			Sampson	\$3,343,750			30	
Alamance County	Water Service for PFAS Contaminated Well	Construction			Alamance	\$924,190			27	
Burlington, City of	PFAS Drinking Water Treatment Upgrades	Construction	NC0201010	59,287	Alamance	\$28,160,000			27	

Total funding requested: \$326,018,499, including reconsidered applications. Total funding awarded: \$20,521,305.

### September 2025 Applications for Evaluation/Assessment Projects – SWIA awards in September 2025

Since July 2024, Evaluation/Assessment project applications are accepted year-round and presented to SWIA at their next meeting for funding awards from the Evaluation/Assessment Project Reserve. The following applications for Evaluation/Assessment projects were reviewed and awarded IJA DWSRF-EC funding from the FY2025 IJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant in SWIA’s September 2025 meeting.

Funded projects are shown in the “DWSRF-EC Funding” column.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Iredell Water Corporation	Iredell Water Corp Wells PFAS	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0149025	27,343	Iredell	\$500,000		\$500,000	34	Sep. 2026

Total funding requested: \$500,000. Total funding awarded: \$500,000.

**February 2026 Applications for Evaluation/Assessment Projects – SWIA awards in February 2026**

Since July 2024, Evaluation/Assessment project applications are accepted year-round and presented to SWIA at their next meeting for funding awards from the Evaluation/Assessment Project Reserve. The following applications for Evaluation/Assessment projects were reviewed and awarded IJA DWSRF-EC funding from the FY2025 IJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant in SWIA’s February 2026 meeting.

Funded projects are shown in the “DWSRF-EC Funding” column.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Carolina Water Service of North Carolina	PFAS Site Improvements	Evaluation/Assessment Project	Multiple	41,320	Multiple	\$500,000	Planning and design for 16 well sites across state	\$500,000	35	Feb. 2027
TriRiver Water	Chatham County WTP EC Study	Evaluation/Assessment Project	NC0319126, NC4019010, NC0319050	27,428	Lee; Chatham	\$500,000		\$500,000	30	Feb. 2027

Total funding requested: \$1,000,000. Total funding awarded: \$1,000,000.

**Fall 2025 Application Round for Construction Projects – SWIA awards in February 2026**

The following applications for Construction projects were reviewed and awarded DWSRF-EC funding from the FY2025 IJA DWSRF-EC capitalization grant. Funded projects are shown in the “DWSRF-EC Funding” column.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Fayetteville Public Works Commission	PWC PO Hoffer GL GAC	Construction	NC0326010	215,590	Cumberland	\$62,380,000	Bypassed: previously awarded more than \$5M of IJA DWSRF-EC funds, which is the per-applicant cap for EC construction funding starting in August 2025.	\$0	43	

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	PWSID	Service Population	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	DWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Goldsboro, City of	PFAS Treatment Improvement Project	Construction	NC0496010	34,959	Wayne	\$49,605,000	IJA DWSRF-EC is capped at \$5M per applicant.	\$5,000,000	43	Feb. 2026
South Granville Water & Sewer Authority	Post-Filter PFAS Treatment Improvements	Construction	NC0239107	18,555	Granville	\$21,868,000	Last awarded IJA DWSRF-EC project. Awarded remainder of the IJA DWSRF-EC funding available this round.	\$3,658,880	39	Feb. 2026
Graham, City of	Graham-Mebane WTP PFAS Improvements	Construction	NC0201015		Alamance	\$30,250,000			37	
Greensboro, City of	Mitchell WTP Advanced Treatment for EC	Construction	NC0241010		Guilford	\$87,817,093			34	
Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District	Drinking Water EC Construction Project	Construction	NC0442010		Halifax	\$44,739,000			34	
Burlington, City of	PFAS Drinking Water Treatment Upgrades	Construction	NC0201010		Alamance	\$51,672,000			29	

Total funding requested: \$348,331,093. Total funding awarded: \$8,658,880.

**Note: other projects on the Project Priority List (that have already undergone a public comment period) can be viewed in the Intended Use Plans on the [Emerging Contaminants Funding webpage](#).**

**TOTALS FOR ALL IJA DWSRF-EC FUNDING AWARDS TO DATE**

Cumulative awards to date = \$83,710,120. This is split between four capitalization grants as shown below.

	<b>FY2022 DWSRF-EC</b>	<b>FY2023 DWSRF-EC</b>	<b>FY2024 DWSRF-EC</b>	<b>FY2025 DWSRF-EC (through February 2026 awards)</b>	<b>Total Over Four Cap Grants</b>
Total Awarded	\$22,425,600	\$20,211,840	\$20,860,840	\$20,211,840	\$83,710,120
Funding Availability (excluding set- asides)	\$22,425,600	\$ 20,211,840	\$20,860,840 (including reallotments)	\$20,211,840	\$83,710,120

## Applications and Funding Awards by SWIA for the IJJA Clean Water State Revolving Fund – Emerging Contaminants (IJJA CWSRF-EC) Program between July 2025 and February 2026

### Spring 2025 Application Round for Construction Projects – SWIA awards in July 2025

The following applications were reviewed and awarded IJJA CWSRF-EC funding initially from the FY2024 IJJA CWSRF-EC capitalization grant (\$1,140,040) and from the FY2025 IJJA CWSRF-EC capitalization grant (\$1,710,782).

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	NPDES Permit Number	County	Total Funding Request	Notes	CWSRF-EC Funding	Priority Points	Estimated Binding Commitment
Cumberland County	Landfill Leachate PFAS Treatment	Construction	N/A	Cumberland	\$10,074,782	Was previously partially funded \$7,223,960; fully funded with \$2,850,822	\$2,850,822	24	Feb. 2026

Total funding requested: \$10,074,782. Total funding awarded: \$2,850,822.

**Note: other projects on the Project Priority List (that have already undergone a public comment period) can be viewed in the Intended Use Plans on the [Emerging Contaminants Funding webpage](#).**

### TOTALS FOR ALL IJJA CWSRF-EC FUNDING AWARDS TO DATE

Cumulative awards to date = \$11,074,782. This is split between four capitalization grants as shown below.

	FY2022 CWSRF-EC	FY2023 CWSRF-EC	FY2024 CWSRF-EC	FY2025 CWSRF-EC	Total Over Four Cap Grants
Total Awarded	\$1,688,000	\$3,838,000	\$3,838,000	\$1,710,782	\$11,074,782
Availability	\$1,688,000	\$3,838,000	\$3,838,000	\$3,838,000	\$13,202,000