

2023/2024 Implementer/Sponsor Registry

LAST UPDATED 8/14/23 (Updated Quarterly)

The intent of the Implementer/Sponsor Registry is to facilitate the process of identifying and linking Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) Implementers with Potential WRRSP Sponsors based on interest expressed to the Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA). DEFA will not make any recommendations or guarantees, but only provides information in this registry for Implementers and Sponsors to pursue at their own discretion. Participation in this registry is voluntary and may not include all potential sponsors.

WRRSP Implementers are municipalities or park districts, or other qualifying not-for-profit organizations under the Internal Revenue Code that requested funding for a WRRSP project. WRRSP projects will protect or restore and protect Ohio’s highest quality aquatic resources. These projects are selected through a highly competitive process.

Potential WRRSP Sponsors are municipalities obtaining a WPCLF loan from DEFA. Criteria used to list these sponsors in the Potential WRRSP Sponsors table include the community having one or more projects that will receive at least a \$2 million standard interest-rate loan; and that community agrees to be added to the table. Ideally, the sponsoring WPCLF loan should generate enough interest to cover the entire cost of the sponsored WRRSP project.

Responses to FAQs:

- The implementer and sponsor projects must be awarded in the same month.
- There is no requirement for implementer projects to be in the same county as the sponsor project.
- Sponsors can sponsor multiple projects.
- Implementers can have more than one sponsor.

WRRSP IMPLEMENTERS

Implementer	Contact Name	Contact Information	Project Name	County	Project type	Project Cost	Estimated Year of Award
The Nature Conservancy	Terry Seidel, Director of Protection	tseidel@tnc.org (614) 717-2770	Lucia Nash Preserve-Clemens Tract	Geauga	Protection	\$430,200	2023
US Fish and Wildlife Service	Donnie Knight	Donald_knight@fws.gov (614) 747-0256	Middle Great Miami River Restoration	Miami	Restoration	\$4,000,000	2023
Cardinal Land Conservancy	Andy Dickerson, Executive Director	andy@cardinallandconservancy.org (513) 752-2828	East Fork Lake Wetlands	Clermont	Protection	\$946,300	2023
Ross County Park District	Erin Stanley, Project Manager	erinstanley@rosscountyohio.gov (937) 509-0774	Herron Downs Ecological Restoration	Ross	Restoration	\$2,488,272	2024
Natural Areas Land Conservancy	Robin Christensen	Rchristensen@wrlandconservancy.org (440) 528-4154	Grand River Floodplain	Ashtabula	Protection	\$399,100	2024

POTENTIAL WRRSP SPONSORS

Sponsor (Community)	Contact Name	Contact Information	Project Name	County	WPCLF Loan Amount	Month/Year WPCLF funding anticipated*
City of North Ridgeville	Corey Timko, Superintendent French Creek WWTP, Sheffield Village	ctimko@nridgeville.org (440) 934-5251	CM Tank Blower Upgrade Project	Lorain	\$5,300,000	7/2023
City of Columbus	Jon Lee, Deputy Director Department of Public Utilities	jslee@columbus.gov (614) 645-7820	Multiple projects that are greater than \$2 million	Franklin	\$2,000,000 to \$49,000,000	5/2023 to 12/2023
Hamilton County	Dr. Donald Morehead	Donald.Morehead@cincinnati-oh.gov (513) 557-7182	Dry Weather Channel for SS 937 LMWWTP Flow Meter Renewal MCWWTP Standby Power Distribution System Improvements Mill Creek WWTP Loop Improvements PRWWTP Sludge Storage Tank with Odor Control	Hamilton	\$4,460,000 \$8,367,000 \$6,180,000 \$5,899,000 \$12,702,600	2024
City of Lorain	Doug Dietzel Environmental Manager	doug_dietzel@cityoflorain.org (440) 204-2505	Martin Run PS Jaeger PS Pearl and Tacoma PS Eventually will have: Lead Service Line Replacement and Water Main Replacement Projects	Lorain	\$5,000,000 \$4,000,000 \$8,000,000 \$3-5,000,000 /each	2023/2024 2024 Late 2024 TBD

Note: Award dates and available funds are approximate.