The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program accelerates investment in our nation’s water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental loans for regionally and nationally significant projects.

SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

PROJECT NAME: Lake Whitney Dam and Spillway Improvements

LOCATION: New Haven, CT

INVITED WIFIA LOAN AMOUNT: $20 million

POPULATION SERVED BY PROJECT: 430,000

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
The Lake Whitney Dam and Spillway Improvements project will rehabilitate the dam, which is used for drinking water supply and drought mitigation. The purpose of the project is to implement dam improvements to ensure that the dam will meet regulatory requirements for structural stability and spillway capacity.

FY 2021 SELECTION ROUND

NUMBER OF PROJECTS SELECTED: 40

NUMBER OF PROJECTS WAITLISTED: 4

TOTAL LOAN AMOUNT: $8.9 billion

TOTAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT SUPPORTED: $19 billion

NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO BENEFIT:
50 million in 24 states

The WIFIA program will provide selected entities with innovative financing tools to address pressing public health and environmental challenges in their communities. Consistent with the announced priorities, selected projects will support infrastructure improvements in historically disadvantaged communities, modernize and protect infrastructure from the impacts of extreme weather and climate change, and use new and innovative approaches to address community needs.