Data Quality Record for Long-Term Performance Goals

Long-Term Performance Goal Text: By September 30, 2026, leverage an additional $45 billion in non-federal dollars through EPA’s water infrastructure finance programs (CWSRF, DWSRF and WIFIA).

Corresponding Annual Performance Goal: Billions of non-federal dollars leveraged by EPA’s water infrastructure finance programs (CWSRF, DWSRF and WIFIA).

Goal Number/Objective: Goal 5/Objective 5.1

NPM Lead: Office of Water (OW)

1a. Purpose of Long-Term Performance Goal:
This long-term performance goal (LTPG) focuses on the top priority for the National Water Program: repairing and modernizing the outdated water infrastructure upon which the American public depends. Combined, the three primary water infrastructure programs, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), and Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program, represent the largest federal source of funds to address this critical component of our nation’s drinking water and clean water infrastructure.

A key goal is to increase the amount of non-federal funds leveraged by the programs by providing tools, training, and resources to help communities plan for infrastructure improvements and identify funding opportunities. This LTPG demonstrates the power of EPA’s water infrastructure programs to leverage funding from non-federal resources. The LTPG focuses on how federal assistance will attract non-federal dollars and mobilize states and other eligible borrowers to initiate critical public health and water quality projects, while retaining the opportunity for appropriate federal subsidy.

1b. Performance Measure Term Definitions:
Non-Federal Dollars: Funding from other than federal dollars used for an infrastructure project. For the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, non-federal funds include loans made from recycled loan payments, bond proceeds, state match, and interest earnings. It also includes co-funding from non-State Revolving Fund (SRF) sources. Non-federal dollars leveraged by the WIFIA program are based on financial details at loan closing.

1c. Unit of Measure:
Dollars of non-federal funds leveraged by EPA’s investment in water infrastructure projects.

2a. Data Source:
SRFs:
- Clean Water State Revolving Fund Benefits Reporting System (CBR) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Project Benefits Reporting System (PBR)
- Entity that reports data: e.g., States, Regions, and other
- Frequency: Quarterly
- Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP): General QAPP for the CBR and PBR databases

WIFIA:
• Loan agreements executed by the WIFIA program.
• Entity that reports data: Headquarters’ WIFIA program.
• Frequency: Monthly.

2b. Data needed for interpretation of (calculated) Performance Result:
• Universe: All water infrastructure projects funded by the SRFs and WIFIA.
• Historical Performance: Between FY 2016 and FY 2020, the CWSRF, DWSRF, and WIFIA programs leveraged $46.5 billion in non-federal dollars. [Note: the historical performance data prior to FY 2018 do not include WIFIA leveraged dollars because the program’s first loans closed in FY 2018.]
• Frequency for Reporting: CBR and PBR data are reported quarterly. WIFIA data are reported after loans are executed based on the WIFIA loan agreement.

3. Calculation Methodology:
This LTPG will be calculated as the dollar amount of non-federal funds invested in CWSRF, DWSRF and WIFIA water infrastructure projects.

4. Quality Assurance/Quality Controls:
• There is a general QAPP for the CBR and PBR databases.
• EPA has internal program controls to ensure quality assurance review of WIFIA data.

5. Data Limitations/Qualifications:
• SRF data are available quarterly with a one-month lag, to allow time for EPA regional office and state review.
• WIFIA data are generated, reviewed for quality assurance, and reported after loans are executed.

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7. Certification Statement/Signature:
I certify the information in this DQR is complete and accurate.

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