Benefits of Regionalization/Consolidation

• Easier to meet and sustain regulatory standards
• Spreads capital and operational costs among more users
• Greater financial strength helps support salary for capable operator(s)
Clean Water State Revolving Fund Changes

• Department continues to make CWSRF Affordability Grant with SRF loan the highest priority for CWSRF additional subsidization dollars

• Will soon also offer Regionalization Incentive Grant in December 2019

To learn more view the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan at https://dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/srf/wastewater-assistance.htm
Wastewater Regionalization Incentive Grant

Grant for municipalities* connecting small public or private systems that are permitted or should be permitted

- Covers 100% of costs
- Highest priority given to projects connecting struggling systems in Enforcement

*A municipality as defined by 40 CFR 35.2005(27) is a “city, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body (including an intermunicipal agency of two or more of the foregoing entities) created under State law, or an Indian tribe or an authorized Indian tribal organization, having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, or other waste, or a designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the Act.”
Wastewater Regionalization Incentive Grant

Intended to incentivize interconnection where it would otherwise not be likely

• Annual application cycle with competitive scoring
• First application cycle to open December 2019
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Tiered prioritization

Step 1. A category is assigned

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*A private system is a system owned by a Homeowner’s Association, an individual, a mobile home park, etc. It does not include systems owned and operated by any for-profit utility company.

No. of system(s) to be eliminated in each Category: 1 2 3 4

Step 2. Points are assigned

**Description:** (For items 1-3): If the project eliminates multiple permitted WWTFs which discharge to different water bodies, then the highest point total of the multiple water bodies will be used.

1. **Beneficial Uses.** Proposed project will eliminate existing WWTF(s) which directly discharge to certain sensitive waters will be assigned additional priority points.
   - Whole Body Contact Recreation = 15 pts.
   - Drinking Water Supply = 15 pts.
   - Cold Water Habitat = 10 pts.
   - Secondary Contact Recreation = 10 pts.
   - Cool Water Habitat = 10 pts.
   - Protection of Warm Water Habitat and Human Health Protection = 10 pts.
   - Each additional beneficial use not listed above and identified in rule 10 CSR 20-7.031 = 5 pts each.

2. **Sensitive Waters.** Proposed project will eliminate existing WWTF(s) which directly discharge to certain sensitive waters will be assigned additional priority points.
   - Lentic Streams = 15 pts.
   - Outstanding National Resource Waters = 15 pts.
   - Outstanding State Resource Waters = 15 pts.
   - Lakes or Metropolitan No-discharge Streams = 10 pts.

3. **Targeted Waterbodies.** A targeted waterbody is one in which a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) has been promulgated or is listed on the most recent 303(d) list. (No more than fifteen (15) points shall be awarded.)
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### Example Prioritization

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• Most applicants are eligible to receive grant for Facility Plan development if a facility plan does not exist.

• Eligible costs - planning, designing, and constructing the sewer connection, associated land acquisition or easements, and closure cost of the decommissioned system(s) if it is a public system. Clean Water SRF cannot fund work on private property or private systems.

• Projects will not be eligible for funding if the total cost associated with connecting the smaller system is greater than the cost to repair, replace or upgrade the wastewater treatment facility.
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Service Agreement

- Agreement duration must be at least 20 years
- User rates and fees (Wholesale or Per Connection)
  - Negotiated and agreed upon user rates
  - Negotiated and agreed upon fees (if applicable)
  - Clause for renegotiating rates and fees
- Collection system operation and maintenance responsibilities
- Right to access
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