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Community Based Grantsmaking Initiative Letter of Inquiry

Please respond to all questions and fill in all blanks on this form. Limit answers to questions to the space provided. An incomplete Letter of Inquiry ("LOI") will be considered ineligible for review. Provide only the information that is requested in this form. Additional information will be required of the applicant if invited to submit a full application for further consideration. If you have questions regarding this form, please contact Pat Cabe at Golden LEAF at pcabe@goldenleaf.org, or call 888-684-8404.

Organization

Applicant Organization: Junaluska Sanitary District

Mailing Address: 558 OLD CLYDE ROAD, CLYDE, NC 28721

Phone: (828) 452 1178 Web site: jsdwater.org

Executive Director/President: JOHN NICKOL / CHAIRMAN: JIM FRANCIS

Applicant's Tax ID/EIN#: - Applicant County: HAYWOOD

➤ Please include a copy of your organization's current IRS tax-exempt status determination letter or designation as a governmental agency.

Applicant is a: Government entity or 501(c)(3) nonprofit

Contact Person: JOHN NICKOL Title: DIRECTOR / FINANCE DIRECTOR
(The contact person is responsible for your grant request.)

Mailing Address: _____
(If different from organization's mailing address.)

Phone: () - _____ E-mail address: jnickol@jsdwater.org

Project Title: Highway 209 & I-40 & RIVERBEND School Lunch Service

Total Project Cost: \$ 3,800,000 Amount Requested from Golden LEAF: \$ 1,500,000

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EXPECTED PROJECT OUTCOMES

Project Outcomes and Measures of Success – Please check the measures you will use to gauge the success of your proposed project. Check one or more as they apply:

Economic Development

- Investment in plant & equipment
- New jobs created
- New wages paid
- Percentage (%) by which wage exceeds county average
- Jobs retained

Agriculture

- Increased sales
 - \$ value or volume of new/ alternative products
 - \$ value or volume of existing products
- Increased acres in production
- Increased purchases of NC agricultural products by producers, distributors or retailers (\$ value)
- Acres of new/ alternative crops in production
- Increased head of livestock in production

Workforce Preparedness

- Program enrollment (credit programs)
- Program completion (credit programs)
- Students trained (non-credit programs)
- Incumbent workers trained (non-credit)
- Percentage (%) of high school students that earn college credit in technical programs (Career & College Promise)
- Industry credentials earned
- Students participating in internship/apprenticeship programs
- Students employed in field of study

Education

- Student proficiency on EOC exams –
 - Aggregate
 - Math
 - Science
 - English
- Number of students trained and using technology for learning
- Number of teachers trained and using technology in instructional practice
- High school on-time graduation
- STEM participation in elementary, middle and high school
- STEM participation by underrepresented populations (female & minority)
- On-time completion Algebra I / Math I



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Expected Project Outcomes (contd.)

Healthcare

- Emergency room visits for primary care
- Outmigration from home community to receive diagnosis and treatment
- Healthcare positions created
- Healthcare positions retained
- Increased access to treatment
- Improved financial condition of rural hospitals or healthcare provider
- Increased access to treatment through telehealth

Community Vitality

- Public infrastructure
 - Dollars (\$) invested in new infrastructure
 - Dollar (\$) value of improvements to existing infrastructure
- Percentage (%) by which the average wage for new jobs created exceeds the county average
- Private investment resulting from infrastructure improvements
- New private jobs resulting from infrastructure improvements
- Commercial hookups to public infrastructure
 - Percentage (%) increase
 - Number increased
- Residential hookups to public infrastructure
 - Percentage (%) increase
 - Number increased
- Tax revenue increases in target counties
 - Sales
 - Property
 - Occupancy
- Business start-ups in target counties



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Briefly describe your project – outline what will be done, how much time will be needed to complete the project, what will be accomplished and the area and population served. Describe how your project will benefit tobacco-dependent, economically distressed and/or rural communities and the people who live there. Describe how you will implement the project. (Character limit 1000)

Describe how the project will meet the proposed outcomes checked in the Expected Project Outcomes section. How will progress and success be measured? What specific data or documentation will be used and/or collected to measure outcomes?(Character limit 800)



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Describe plans to sustain funding for your project beyond the grant. (Character limit 800)

Organizational History – Briefly describe the applicant organization’s history, current programs and accomplishments. Include a short summary of the organization’s mission, goals and objectives and an example of similar projects implemented by the organization. (Character limit 750)

Project Description:

The Junaluska Sanitary District's Highway 209 & I-40 – Riverbend Sewer Service project includes extending sewer infrastructure approximately 18,000 linear feet (3.4 miles), in order to provide the Highway 209 & I-40 interchange (Exit 24) with public sewer service. The project includes extending the service to the Riverbend Elementary School which serves the Crabtree, Iron Duff and Fines Creek communities in Haywood County.

Currently there are four businesses and the Riverbend School being served with public water from the Junaluska Sanitary district, none of which are served by public sewer. The businesses include Pilot Corp and Sams Mart which have NPDES permits, however the permits are considered minor permits, and are currently at and beyond their maximum design flows.

The Riverbend School serves the Crabtree, Iron Duff and Fines Creek communities, and is currently served by a traditional on-site septic system. The system is aged and limited in growth for the school.

Once funded and permitted, the project is estimated to take approximately eight (8) months to complete. The work will include two (2) pump stations, 18,000 feet of sewer force main, and 5,000 feet of gravity sewer line.

The project benefits the Haywood County community in providing a tool for economic growth at the Highway 209 & I-40 interchange, provides a more reliable and expandable sewer service to the existing businesses at the interchange, and furthermore provides a reliable and long term sewer solution for the Riverbend School.

The project will be implemented by the Junaluska Sanitary District, as it permitted to provide, operate and manage both public water and sewer service. The project will be competitively bid and managed by District and its representatives.

Outcomes met:

The Junaluska Sanitary District's Highway 209 & I-40 – Riverbend Sewer Service project will meet the public infrastructure outcome item under the Community Vitality, as well as the Commercial hookup to public infrastructure.

The project economically expands sewer service to a key interchange along I-40 in Haywood county, and will not only provide a reliable sewer service , but provides for expanded service, therefore progress is measured with providing for existing businesses that are limited in growth by their current sewer solutions.

Progress and achievement of success is also quantifiable by providing access to a long-term and reliable sewer solution to the Riverbend Elementary School.

Plans to sustain funding for the project:

The Junaluska Sanitary district is committed to the funding of the project and is providing approximately \$2,000,000 of matching funds in order to complete the project.

Please refer to the Attached Resolution passed August 24, 2015.

Organizational History

The Junaluska Sanitary District was formed in the early 1960's in order to provide public drinking water to the unincorporated area of Haywood County lying between the Town of Clyde and Waynesville. The Sanitary district was formed and operates under the general statutes of North Carolina. In the late 1980's a sewer collection system was built and is currently owned and operated within and by the Sanitary District.

The mission statement/goal of the District is, "...to provide safe and clean water and sewer service to all of our residents..."

Recent projects exemplifying this statement are:

- ❖ The installation of approximately 12,000 linear feet of both new water and sewer lines in the Tuscola Park area within the District. The project replaced the original 1960's cast water line and clay sewer piping

- ❖ The installation of 20,000 linear feet of new water and sewer lines in the Rogers Cove Area in the District. The project included replacing the original cast iron water lines and the installation of new gravity sewer service.
- ❖ The refurbishment of the Upchurch water tank, the 1964 original water storage tank
- ❖ The installation of 12,000 linear feet of new water line, including three (3) new pump stations, and the addition of a 125,000 gallon water tank to serve the higher elevations within the District.

These projects are a sampling of projects the district has completed over the past four years, and indicate the ongoing commitment of the District to provide safe and clean water and sewer service.

Estimated Project Schedule:

Approval of Funding from County	September 21, 2015
Application to NCDENR-DWI-SRF	September 30, 2015
Notice of Award of SRF Funding	December 2015
Offer of Award Start of Work	January 2016
Start Design and Permitting	January 2016
Project Designed Complete and Permitted	May 2016
Bidding of Work	July 2016
Award and begin construction	September 2016
Complete Construction	March 2017
Project Acceptance and Close out	April 2017

***** The Resolution and Certification by Recording Officer MUST be included IN THE
Application Package *****

(Suggested Format)

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina the Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of (state whether a wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection system, stream restoration, stormwater treatment, drinking water treatment works, and/or drinking water distribution system or other "green" project), and

WHEREAS, The Junaluska Sanitary District has need for and intends to construct a (state whether a wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection system, drinking water treatment works, and/or drinking water distribution system) project described as 20, 500 linear feet of sewer force main, and pump stations and

WHEREAS, The Junaluska Sanitary District intends to request state (loan or grant) assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE (GOVERNING BODY) OF THE (UNIT OF GOVERNMENT):

That Junaluska Sanitary District the Applicant, will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a State (loan or grant) award.

That the Applicant will adopt and place into effect on or before completion of the project a schedule of fees and charges and other available funds which will provide adequate funds for proper operation, maintenance, and administration of the system and the repayment of all principal and interest on the debt.

That the governing body of the Applicant agrees to include in the loan agreement a provision authorizing the State Treasurer, upon failure of the (unit of government) to make scheduled repayment of the loan, to withhold from the (unit of government) any State funds that would otherwise be distributed to the local government unit in an amount sufficient to pay all sums then due and payable to the State as a repayment of the loan.

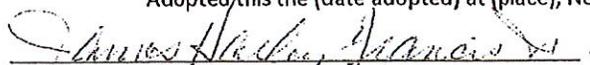
That the Applicant will provide for efficient operation and maintenance of the project on completion of construction thereof.

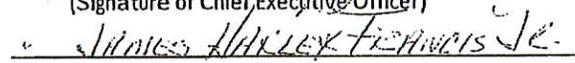
That James Francis the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Applicant with the State of North Carolina for a (loan or grant) to aid in the construction of the project described above.

That the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the Applicant has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the (date adopted) at (place), North Carolina.


(Signature of Chief Executive Officer)

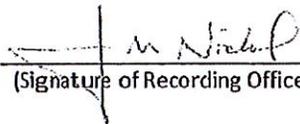

Chairman

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CERTIFICATION BY RECORDING OFFICER

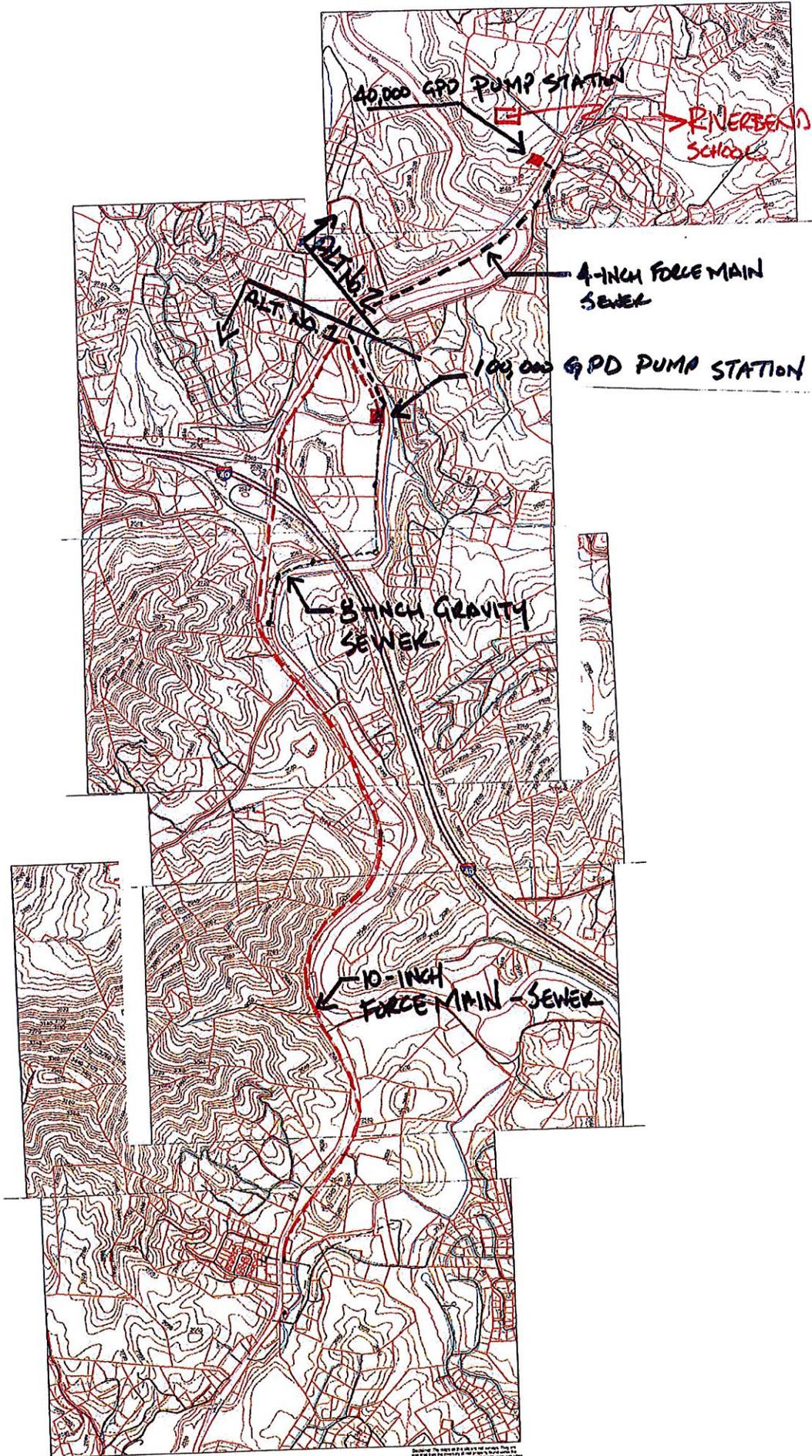
The undersigned duly qualified and acting (title of officer) of the (unit of government) does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of North Carolina, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the (name of governing body of applicant) duly held on the 24 day of August, 2015; and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this -
24 day of August, 2015.



(Signature of Recording Officer)

GM / Finance Officer

(Title of Recording Officer)



1 inch = 667 feet
 AUGUST 12, 2015

Haywood County

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