WIFIA PEA QUESTIONNAIRE AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

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The Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) Environmental Questionnaire helps verify the applicability of the PEA for a Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA)-funded project. Compliance with other federal and state environmental laws and regulations is required, as appropriate and applicable. These could include, for example, those requiring site-specific consultations with other federal, state, Tribal governments and agencies (such as consultation under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) or National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)); completing National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)-like requirements of the state; or complying with certain state requirements for water and wastewater systems.

Completing the PEA questionnaire can be an iterative process. The document may be revised after its initial submittal following project changes or clarifying questions made by EPA.

The borrower should submit a completed PEA questionnaire (attached as Appendix A) including all relevant information and supporting documents listed in this checklist.

Appendix A		lus also also al
Question	Checklist Item or Instructions	Included
General	• All questions have been answered fully based on all available information.	
Guidance	 All resource impacts have been evaluated and check boxes are filled in for each row. 	
	All supporting documentation is referenced and attached.	
	Additional pages are attached as necessary.	
Question 3:	 Describe <u>each</u> project component or subproject outlined in the WIFIA Application Section E. 	
Project	 Note if components are new, replacements, or rehabilitations. 	
Description	 Provide size of construction site footprint, length of right(s)-of-way, specific volumes/capacities. 	
	 Indicate if the project or components are still in the early phases of design and if specific details are not yet available. 	
	Note project phases (if applicable).	
Question 4:	 Provide location descriptions for <u>each</u> project component or subproject outlined in the WIFIA Application Section E. 	
Project	Provide Street address or nearest intersection.	
Location	 Note if located at a new or existing site. 	
	 Note if located within existing, adjacent to existing or new right(s)-of way. 	
	 Note any previous site disturbances or current usage. 	
	 Note existing land cover/vegetation. 	

Appendix A	Checklist Item or Instructions	Included				
Question	Provide Site coordinates.					
	Provide project overview map, showing all project components in one map.					
	Provide maps of each project component, including: Additional maps for playing.					
	Additional maps for clarity.					
	 Maps labeled appropriately, with relevant streets and roadways. 					
	Map surroundings should be visible.					
	 Provide ArcGIS Project Shapefiles of project components, as appropriate. 					
Sections A	Assess anticipated impacts for each environmental resource. For each resource of					
through M:	appropriate box if there are no impacts, less than significant impacts, or potential	lly				
	significant impact as described in each resource section in the PEA.					
Impact	• No Impact: Mark the "no impact" box if there is no potential for the project to	affect a				
Assessment	resource (e.g., the project falls outside a coastal zone).					
	• Less Than Significant Impact: Mark the "less than significant impact" box if the					
	incorporation of mitigation measures will reduce an effect from "potentially significant impact" to "less than significant impact".					
	• Potentially Significant Impact: Mark the "potentially significant impact" box if impacts					
	remain significant despite the incorporation of mitigation measures, or if impacts fall					
	outside the scope of those considered in the PEA. Check this box for a proposed action that					
	is likely to have significant effects or when the significance of the effects is unk					
	• Narrative Description: Provide a narrative for each box checked "less than sign					
	impact" or "potentially significant impact". A narrative is not required for boxe	•				
	"no impact". Narrative description may be included in the space provided or a					
	pages may be added.					
	 Include a description of the <u>impact(s)</u> (both construction and operational in 	npacts).				
	o Include a description of associated mitigation measures, Best Management	•				
	(BMPs), and/or Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to avoid, minimize o					
	compensate for impacts.					
	 Provide adequate supporting <u>references and citations</u> for impact and mitigations 	ation				
	assessments.					

APPENDIX A: ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR WIFIA CREDIT ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

framev specific	vork, the PEA's associated preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and project ENEPA documentation for the WIFIA program. WIFIA credit assistance to Clean Water and Ing Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) programs should use the questionnaire in Appendix B.
1.	WIFIA Project name:
	Click or tap here to enter text.
2.	WIFIA Borrower:
	Click or tap here to enter text.
3.	Project Description: Describe each project component or subcomponent outlined in the WIFIA Application Section E.
	Component: Click or tap here to enter text.
	Description: Click or tap here to enter text.
	Component is : ☐ New ☐ Replacements ☐ Rehabilitation
	Stage of design: Click or tap here to enter text.
	Component: Click or tap here to enter text.
	Description: Click or tap here to enter text.
	Component is : ☐ New ☐ Replacements ☐ Rehabilitation
	Stage of design: Click or tap here to enter text.

*Note: Create additional tables for all components

4. Project Location: Answer the questions below about project location for each component subproject. Attach or provide project maps of the entire project, each project component of ArcGIS project shapefiles, as applicable.						
	Click or tap here to enter text.					
	Provide a location for each project component or subcomponent outlined in the WIFIA Application Section E.					
	Select the checkbox(es) that best describe the project:					
	☐ Within an existing facility, easement or right(s)-of-way.					
	☐ Outside of an existing facility, easement or right(s)-of-way.					
	\square Site previously undisturbed \square Site previously disturbed					
	Describe the current site use, landcover, and/or vegetation:					
Click or tap here to enter text.						
	Street address or nearest intersection:					
	Click or tap here to enter text.					
	Site coordinates (Latitude/Longitude, or Decimal Degrees):					
	Click or tap here to enter text.					
	*Note: Create additional tables for all components					
5.	Project type: (Check all that apply):					
	Identify if any of the following apply to the project:					
☐ Program of projects: Projects that consist of a common type of work within a similar construction time frame (up to 5 years) that may have unknown project locations wit general geographic area (e.g., pipe repair and manhole replacement projects over several years).						
	☐ Combination of projects : A group of projects with a common purpose that have defined locations and similar construction schedules.					
	□ Not Applicable (N/A)					

Ic	dentify which project type(s) best describe the project:
	☐ Wastewater Projects
	☐ Drinking Water Projects
	☐ Energy Efficiency Enhancement Projects
	☐ Repair, Rehabilitation, and Replacement Projects
	☐ Brackish or Seawater Desalination Projects
	☐ Drought Prevention, Reduction, or Mitigation Projects
	☐ Acquisition of Real Property Projects
	☐ Combination Wastewater or Drinking Water Projects
	☐ Other [Please explain]

6. Describe any environmental permits or approvals needed for the project (e.g., federal, state, local) and the status of any permit:

	Issuing		Date
Permit/Authorization	agency	Status	Issued/Anticipated
		☐ Received	
Clean Water Act 404		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.	USACE	☐ To Be Submitted	
		☐ Received	
Clean Water Act 401		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.		☐ To Be Submitted	
		☐ Received	
Coastal Zone Management		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.		☐ To Be Submitted	
		☐ Received	
Fish and Wildlife Service		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.		☐ To Be Submitted	
		☐ Received	
National Marine and Fisheries Service		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.		☐ To Be Submitted	
		☐ Received	
State Historic Preservation Office		☐ Application Submitted	
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		☐ Received	
		☐ Application Submitted	
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		☐ Received	
		☐ Application Submitted	
Click or tap here to enter text.		☐ To Be Submitted	

^{*}Note: Additional rows may be added as necessary

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
A. LAND USE:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 Conversions of Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), to non-agricultural use as defined under the Farmland Protection Act 7 U.S.C. 4201 et seq. 			
 Conflicts with any applicable land use plan, policy, act, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to, the general plan, habitat conservation plan, specific plan, local plan, or zoning ordinance). 			
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE LAND USE IMPACTS:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
 Compatibility with state and local government and private programs and policies. 			
Measures agreed upon in coordination with stakeholders.			

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			LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT
B. A	IR QUALITY:	NO IMPACT	IMPACT	IMPACT
1.	any applicable federal, state, or local air quality plan.			
2.	Violations of any federal air quality standards or contributions to an existing or projected air quality violation (including protected areas designated as mandatory Federal "Class I").			
3.	Increases in any criteria pollutant for which the project region is in non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors).			
4.	Releases of objectionable odors, such as hydrogen sulfide.			
		NOT	NOT	
PEA EX	AMPLES TO REDUCE AIR QUALITY IMPACTS:	APPLICABLE	INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	control devices.			
2.	Use of energy efficient technologies, such as anti-idling measures for construction vehicles.			
3.	Use of dust suppression techniques, such as water for dust suppression, reducing vehicle speeds, cover truck loads during transit, rumble strips, truck washing stations during construction.			

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED			
C. N	IOISE AND VIBRATION:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
1.	Generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies; or generation of noise resulting in public health impacts.			
2.	Permanent increases in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project.			
3.	Temporary or periodic increases in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project.			
4.	Generation of vibration that could increase the risk of structural damage.			
PEA EX	AMPLES TO REDUCE NOISE IMPACTS:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	Compliance with local ordinances and land use designations.			
2.	Placing intakes and exhausts facing away from sensitive receivers.			
3.	Attenuation of fan noise and pump and motor noise.			
4.	Use of general noise reduction measures.			

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D. GEOLOGY AND SOILS:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 Exposure of people or structures to hazards from unstable soils, landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse. 			
2. Increase in soil erosion or loss of topsoil.			
 Loss of economic viable mineral deposits, scientifically significant paleontological resources, or unique geological features. 			
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE IMPACTS TO GEOLOGY	NOT	NOT	
AND SOIL:	APPLICABLE	INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
 Use of erosion control and site stabilization BMPs. 			
Implementation of a stormwater pollution prevention plan and fugitive dust control plan.			
Implementation of effective site selection and design.			

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E. W	/ATER RESOURCES:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
1.	Violations of any federal water quality standards or waste discharge requirements, including degradation of water quality.			
2.	Depletion or contamination of groundwater supplies (including sole-source aquifers) or negatively interfere with groundwater recharge.			
3.	Alteration of the drainage pattern of a water resource that would result in an increase in erosion or flooding on- or off-site.			
4.	Soil erosion or stormwater runoff that increases sediment, pollutants, or contaminates into streams, rivers, or other water resources.			
5.	Floodplain modification, development within, or redirection, as defined by Executive Order 11988.			
6.	Increase in flood risk affecting loss on human safety, health, and welfare.			
7.	Loss, degradation, or destruction of wetlands and waterbodies through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means.			
8.	Alteration of wild and scenic rivers as defined by the Wild and Scenic River Act 16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.			
9.	Conflicts with the Rivers and Harbors Act, 33 U.S.C. 403.			
10.	Conflicts with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act, 16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.			
11.	Conflicts with the enforceable policies of a state's federally approved coastal management program (the Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.).			

	AMPLES TO REDUCE IMPACTS TO RESOURCES:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	Use of appropriate erosion and sediment control measures, BMPs, and site stabilization.			
2.	Implementation of effective site selection and design.			
3.	Use of appropriate erosion and sediment control measures, BMPs, and site stabilization.			
4.	Implementation of effective site selection and design.			

		IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
F RIOI	OGICAL RESOURCES:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
1.	Jeopardizes the continued existence of any federally threatened or endangered species as identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or National Marines Fisheries Service (NMFS) in the Endangered Species Act 16 U.S.C. Ch. 35 § 1531 et seq.			
2.	Adversely modify, fragment, or degrade of critical habitat by the USFWS or NMFS.			
3.	Modification, fragmentation, or degradation of biological sensitive areas other than designated critical habitat.			
4.	Harm to fauna, including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, and invertebrates.			
5.	Changes in vegetation type (native to the region), particularly if the vegetation type in the region is already highly fragmented because of human activity.			
6.	Potential to injure or disturb marine mammals in U.S. waters as protected under Marine Mammal Protection Act as defined under 16 U.S.C 1361-1407.			
7.	Reduction in the quality or quantity of Essential Fish Habitat as designated in accordance with the Magnuson Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act.			
8.	Disturbances to Bald or Golden Eagles as defined under 16 U.S.C. 668 et seq.			
9.	Disturbances to migratory birds as defined under 16 U.S.C. 703-712 as amended.			
10.	Conflicts with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan as approved under section 10 (a) (1) (B) of the ESA or other federal habitat conservation plan.			
11.	Introduction or spread of invasive species as identified under Executive Order 13112.			
12.	Loss of or damage to wildlife resources due to the control or modification of any stream or other body of water protected by the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act 16 U.S.C. 661-667e			

	AMPLES TO REDUCE IMPACTS TO GICAL RESOURCES:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	Implementation of avoidance and minimization measures, and BMPs.			
2.	Adoption of recommendations and conservation measures from USFWS, NMFS and/or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.			
3.	Prevention of spills and leaks from vehicles and equipment.			
4.	Implementation of measures to minimize soil compaction and the transportation of noxious, invasive and pest species.			

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e cui	TURAL RESOURCES:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
	Potential adverse effects to federally listed			
	and eligible historical properties, including prehistoric and historic sites, historic districts and traditional cultural properties, as defined in 36 CFR part 800.			
	Modification of unique paleontological resources or site or unique geologic features.			
	Disturbance of human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries.			
	Conflicts with Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, as defined in 25 U.S.C. § 3001 et seq.			
5.	Conflicts with the Archaeological Resources Protection Act, as defined in 16 U.S.C. §§ 470AA-MM			
	IMPLES TO REDUCE IMPACTS TO CULTURAL	NOT	NOT	
RESOUR	CES:	APPLICABLE	INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	Implementation of effective site selection and design.			
2.	Implementation of avoidance and minimization measures identified in consultation with the State Historic Preservation (SHPO) and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO).			
3.	Conduct surveys prior to construction.			
4.	Development of an unanticipated discoveries plan.			

		IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
H. SOCIOECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:		NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
1.	Changes to the demographics around project location, such as population growth.			
2.	Modifications to economic factors such as per capita income, unemployment rate, or poverty.			
3.	Alterations to social assets, such as housing or public services.			
4.	Disproportionate high and adverse human health environmental effects on minority population and low-income populations as defined under Executive Order 12898.			
	AMPLES TO REDUCE SOCIOECONMIC AND	NOT	NOT	
ENVIRO	NMENTAL JUSTICE IMPACTS:	APPLICABLE	INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1.	Implementation of construction mitigation measures.			
2.	Measures identified as a result of conducting meaningful public engagement to environmental justice communities.			

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
I. TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 Changes to traffic patterns around the project area including, but not limited to, the arrival and departure of construction workers, vehicles hauling equipment and materials to the site, road closures or detours, and slower movement and larger turning radii of truck going to project site. 			
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE TRANSPORATION AND TRAFFIC IMPACTS:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
 Mitigation measures identified in coordination with local agencies. 			
Use of warning signage, flag persons.			
Use of lane closures and detours as necessary.			

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
J. UTILITIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 Changes to electric, cable, gas, sewer, water, stormwater, and other existing utility services. 			
Changes to community services, such as open space, recreational and cultural facilities.			
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE IMPACTS TO UTILTIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1. Identification and avoidance of utilities.			
Coordination with service providers and minimization of service interruption.			
 Mitigation measures identified in coordination with park and recreational resource managers/agencies. 			

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED			
K. HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC MATERIALS AND WASTE:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
 Accidental releases, spills, or improper storage and disposal of hazardous materials. 				
2. Conflicts with Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Solid Waste Disposal Act, Toxic Substances Control Act, and Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act.				
 Generation or increase in the amount of sewage sludge that is not in compliance with EPA standards for the use or disposal of sewage sludge. 				
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE HAZARDOUS AND	NOT	NOT	INCORPORATED	
TOXIC MAERIALS AND WASTE IMPACTS: 1. Mitigation measures identified	APPLICABLE	INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED	
through compliance with applicable hazardous and toxic materials laws and regulations.				
 Implementation of environmental protection measures, BMPs, and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). 				
 Development or Adoption of an Emergency Plan/Emergency Response Plan (or similar). 				

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
L. HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY:	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
 Creating occupational health hazards for workers during construction or operation. 			
 Creating or contributing to environmental health or public health risks and safety risks that may disproportionately affect children, consistent with Executive Order 13045. 			
 Creating or contributing to public health risk of immediate injury or long-term health hazards. 			
PEA EXAMPLES TO REDUCE HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPACTS:	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT INCORPORATED	INCORPORATED
1. Implementation of a health and safety plan.			
Limiting site access to authorized personnel only.			
 Implementation of fugitive dust minimization measures. 			

	IMPACT ANTICIPATED		
M. OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS	NO IMPACT	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
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4. Click or tap here to enter text.			
5. Click or tap here to enter text.			

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTON: Please identify and describe any other <u>reasonably foreseeable</u> environmental effects from the proposed action not previously identified in Tables A to L that may have less than significant impacts or potentially significant impacts. These effects may include effects that are later in time or farther removed in distance from the proposed action. Identify and describe any mitigation measures, BMPs, and/or SOPs that may avoid, minimize or compensate for the impacts, including those that reduce impacts to less than significant. In addition, provide all mitigation measures, BMPs, and/or SOPs not identified previously in the document that will be included in the project. References to existing supporting documentation (document name, section, page number) may be included as well as a summary of the relevant information.