

# Opportunities and Challenges Facing Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs: Project Summary Report (October 2018)



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The American Water Works Association (“AWWA”) issued a report titled:

*Opportunities and Challenges Facing Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Programs – Project Summary Report (October 2018)* (“Report”)

The *Report* was prepared for the AWWA by Eastern Research Group, Inc.

AWWA states that it undertook a research effort from September 2017 to May 2018 in order to produce a “comprehensive summary of challenges and opportunities facing state DWSRF programs.” The effort is intended to:

- Identify barriers to participation by water systems in the DWSRF program
- Inform policy recommendations for the United States Environmental Protection Agency headquarters DWSRF program, state DWSRF programs, and future federal investment in the DWSRF

Activities undertaken in the development of the *Report* included:

- National survey for state DWSRF program administrators and staff and separate national survey for drinking water systems
- One-and-a-half day workshop at AWWA’s office attended by representatives from state DWSRF and public water system supervision programs, EPA headquarters personnel
- One-on-one phone based interviews with representatives from five state DWSRF programs not represented at the February 2018 workshop

The *Report* is stated to summarize the results of the surveys, interviews, workshop, etc. and identify lessons learned and challenges and opportunities for DWSRF programs. Policy recommendations are also identified.

A copy of the *Report* can be found [here](#).