

**Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration (MWQFA)  
Water Quality (WQ) Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Recipients  
Cost & Effectiveness Analysis Certification**

**(Required for public entities identified for WQRLF on an FFY2016+ Intended Use Plan)**

The Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (WRRDA) amended the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA) by adding Section 603(b)(13), which requires any municipality or intermunicipal, interstate, or State agency receiving WQRLF funding to certify that the recipient -

- (A) has studied and evaluated the cost and effectiveness of the processes, materials, techniques, and technologies for carrying out the proposed project or activity for which assistance is sought; and
- (B) has selected, to the maximum extent practicable, a project or activity that maximizes the potential for efficient water use, reuse, recapture, and conservation, and energy conservation, taking into account –
  - (i) the cost of constructing the project or activity;
  - (ii) the cost of operating and maintaining the project or activity over the life of the project or activity; and
  - (iii) the cost of replacing the project or activity.

Certification of having a Cost & Effectiveness Analysis meeting all these criteria, as well as the Cost & Effectiveness Criteria and/or link to the Cost & Effectiveness Criteria, must be provided to MWQFA prior to loan closing for the funded publicly-owned project.

**Project Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Cost & Effectiveness Analysis is:** ATTACHED \_\_\_\_\_ AVAILABLE AT \_\_\_\_\_  
(insert URL)

*I CERTIFY AS AN AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL ASSOCIATED WITH THE PUBLICLY-OWNED PROJECT NAMED ABOVE THAT COST & EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS MEETING ALL REQUIRED CRITERIA HAS BEEN DEVELOPED FOR THE PROJECT, IS AVAILABLE AS INDICATED ABOVE, AND WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized Official Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Would a new PER or Additional Information be needed? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Can funding process proceed even with more information needed? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If no, specify the additional information needed before funding process can proceed:

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Project Engineer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Division Chief: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_