# WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES

The West Virginia Water Development Board met at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 30, 2024, at the Water Development Authority's ("WDA") office in Charleston, West Virginia. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Secretary of State's online meeting notice database, the WDA's website and in the lobby at the WDA's office. Those wanting to attend the meeting could do so in person. Tina Parker recorded the minutes of the meeting. After the Roll Call, the Chair declared a quorum.

## **BOARD ATTENDEES:**

Ann V. Urling, Chair, Designee for Governor Jim Justice, via conference call

John Miller, Vice Chair, present

Gary Sutphin, via conference call

Amy Swann, present

Michael Clowser, present

Katheryn Emery, Designee for the Secretary for the Department of

Environmental Protection, via conference call

Meredith Vance, Designee for the Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Health, absent

### **WDA STAFF PRESENT:**

Marie Prezioso

**Brad Sergent** 

Veronica Lewis

Tina Parker

**Brock Jarrett** 

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC, Counsel to the Board

Clay Riley, The Thrasher Group

Brent Clark, Mason County Public Service District

John Lipke, Mason County Public Service District

Terry Martin, Regional Intergovernmental Council

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the meeting held on Thursday, October 10, 2024, were presented for approval. MOTION: Moved by Ms. Amy Swann; Seconded by Mr. John Miller; Passed unanimously.

RESOLVED, That the minutes of the Board meeting held on October 10, 2024, are approved.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Marie Prezioso summarized the loan and grant closings for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 and reported that there were no loan deficiencies for water and sewer projects.

Ms. Prezioso also reported on the delay of the refunding of the Excess Lottery Revenue Bonds, Series 2024. The underwriters, financial advisors, and Ms. Prezioso decided to wait until after the election or the following week, because the market rates were volatile, and the interest rates were going up.

#### **WDA EEGF PROJECTS**

Ms. Prezioso reported that WDA has over 60 project grants to close by mid-December.

MOTION: Moved by Ms. Swann; Seconded by Mr. Miller; Passed unanimously.

RESOLVED, That the Board approves the following projects listed grant amounts from Surplus Revenue Appropriations are approved contingent on the fulfillment of the Authority's Economic Enhancement Grant program requirements:

1.	Civil-Military Innovation Institute, Inc.	\$ 2,500,000
2.	Marshall University (Yeager Airport Project)	\$15,000,000
	Marshall University (Aviation Programs)	\$ 3,000,000
3.	Tri State Airport Authority	\$ 7,000,000
4.	Mason County Public Service District	\$ 6,200,000

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Prezioso reported that Electronic Specialty has ordered the audio equipment for the meeting rooms, the installation process should start in December and be completed by January 2025.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Prezioso noted that additional meetings will be scheduled before the year end.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

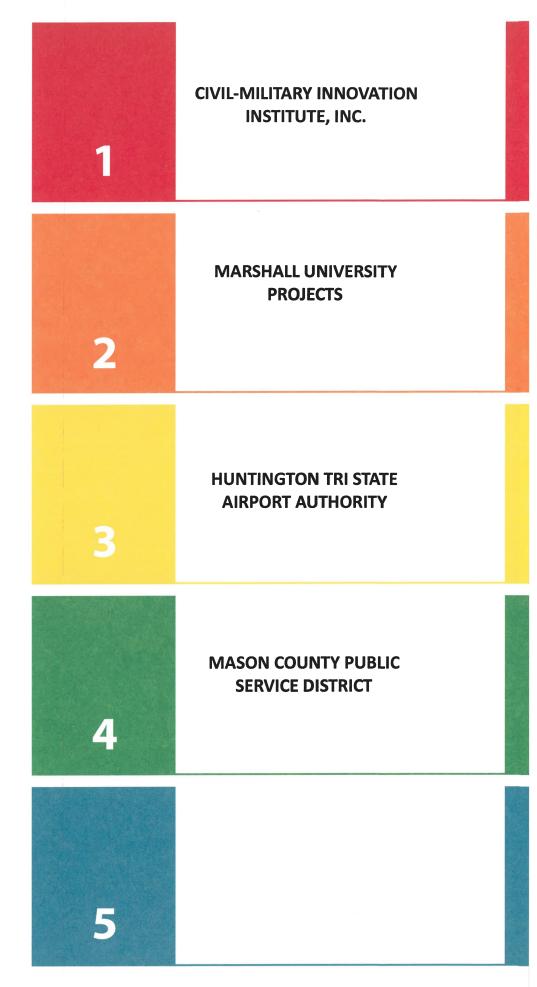
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. MOTION: Moved by Mr. Miller; Seconded by Mr. Mike Clowser; Passed unanimously.

RESOLVED, That the Board meeting be adjourned at 9:13 A.M., be approved.

Brock Jarrett, Secretary/Treasurer

Attachments: WDA EEGF Project Applications for Consideration

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	APPLICATION FOR WDA ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT GRANT FUNDING (WV Code 22C-1-6a(c) (7)-Infrastructure (economic development) Project)		
1)	Project Sponsor: Governmental or X Not-for-Profit		
1)	Civil-Military Innovation Institute, Inc.		
	Address: 3592 Collins Ferry Road, Suite 200		
	Contact Name: Adam Hanasky		
	Email Address: ahanasky@cmi2.org		
	Phone Number: 304-685-4883		
2)	Attach a detailed Project Description including scope, timelines, sources, amounts and		
	status of all anticipated funding and a detailed budget for the Infrastructure Project.		
	Attach financial information and any supporting documentation.		
3)	Amount of WDA EEG Fund being requested: \$2,500,000.00		
-,	Amount of Project Sponsor contribution: \$8,384,718 (CMI2 contribution)		
4)	Status of Infrastructure Project design: Completed		
.,	Estimated date for design completion: May 2024		
	12 Months		
5)	Estimated construction period: 12 Months		
	Estimated completion date: April 2025		
6)	Date of last audit: May 24, 2024		
	Attach copy of most recent audit.		
7)	Required recommendation: Commerce, Economic Development		
	Tourism (Attach letter from the applicable Secretary).		

Application Date: October 24, 2024

Authorized Representative/Project Sponsor

Name/Title: Adam Hanasky/ President

Signature: Adam Hanasky

Digitally signed by Adam Hanasky Date: 2024.10.24 14:07:34 -04'00'

NOTE: The Project Sponsor must complete the attached verification form and email it with this application to the West Virginia Water Development Authority at wda@wvwda.org and on http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx (1. VSS Portal, 2. View Grant Opportunities, 3. WV Water Development Authority Economic Enhancement Grant Fund). Applications will not be processed until the verification is received.



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October 28, 2024

Ms. Ann Urling, Chair West Virginia Water Development Authority 1009 Bullitt Street Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Ms. Urling:

This letter will serve as support for the West Virginia Water Development Authority ("WVWDA") Economic Enhancement Grant Fund for the Civil-Military Innovation Institute Inc.

The \$2.5 million grant will be used for the completion of the Command Center (\$2 million), and to upgrade the electrical system (\$500,000) already on site, which will provide power from the ground site up to the Command Center, as well as other buildings extending to the top of the hill.

I urge you to consider the positive impact this project will have on our community and West Virginia. I believe that, with your support, we can move forward in a way that benefits all involved.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Graney

Acting Cabinet Secretary

Michael R. Graney

#### **Marie Prezioso**

From:

Zenovy Wowczuk <zwowczuk@cmi2.org>

Sent:

Friday, October 25, 2024 10:05 AM

To:

Marie Prezioso; Adam Hanasky RE: CMI2 EEG ED Application

Subject: Attachments:

Fort Andrew\_AEF\_Funding\_Phase 1\_241025\_01.xlsx; 2024-10-09-AEF AAR Facility- Pay

App TWO-A.pdf

Marie,

Yes – see below:

The attached Fort Andrew Phase 1 spreadsheet shows the breakdown of 1) funding sources, 2) line items for the overall Phase 1 build-out of the Adaptive Experimentation Force (AEF) and 3) Sheet 2 (Electrical to CC) tat breaks down the cost of the Exterior Electrical work.

The \$2.5M we are requesting from the Water Development Authority would go to 1) the final payments for completion of the Command Center (~\$2,000,000) and 2) the electrical system that needs put in place to take power from the site to the command center and the other buildings on top of the hill (~\$500,000).

In short:

- 1) \$2,000,000 will be used to complete the construction of the Command Center (attached .pdf (2024-10-09-AEF AAR Facility- Pay App TWO-A) shows the total cost of the Command Center at \$6,931,095). The Fort Andrew Phase 1 spreadsheet shows the 3 funding sources that are being used to complete that Construction (1) the 1<sup>st</sup> WVWDA grant, 2) CMI2 funding and 3) this new WVWDA grant).
- 2) \$500,000 will be used to design, build and install the Exterior Electrical system that will take power from ground and get it to the Command Center and other buildings on the hill. The 2<sup>nd</sup> worksheet in the Fort Andrew Phase 1 spreadsheet shows the breakdown of how the \$500,000 would be used.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Zenovy

From: Marie Prezioso <mprezioso@wvwda.org>

**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 9:00 AM

To: Zenovy Wowczuk <zwowczuk@cmi2.org>; Adam Hanasky <ahanasky@cmi2.org>

Subject: RE: CMI2 EEG ED Application

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#### Zenovy.

Can you provide me with a summary of how the grant will be used? Thank you,

Marie

#### Marie L. Prezioso

**Executive Director** 

**West Virginia Water Development Authority** 

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	APPLICATION FOR WDA ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT GRANT FUNDING (WV Code 22C-1-6a(c) (7)-Infrastructure (economic development) Project)
1)	Project Sponsor: X Governmental or Not-for-Profit
	Name: Marshall University
	Address: One John Marshall Drive
	Contact Name: H. Toney Stroud
	Email Address: stroudh@marshall.edu
	Phone Number: 304-972-7063
2)	Attach a detailed Project Description including scope, timelines, sources, amounts and
	status of all anticipated funding and a detailed budget for the Infrastructure Project.
	Attach financial information and any supporting documentation.
3)	Amount of WDA EEG Fund being requested: 18 million
	Amount of Project Sponsor contribution:
4)	Status of Infrastructure Project design: Design and Planning Phase
	Estimated date for design completion: 2026
5)	Estimated construction period: 18 months
,	Estimated completion date: June 2026
5)	Date of last audit: June 30, 2024
,,	Attach copy of most recent audit.
7)	
7)	Required recommendation: Commerce, Economic Development X,
	Tourism (Attach letter from the applicable Secretary).

Application Date: October 25, 2024

Authorized Representative/Project Sponsor

Name/Title: H. Toney Stroud - VP Strategic Initiatives

Signature:

NOTE: The Project Sponsor must complete the attached verification form and email it with this application to the West Virginia Water Development Authority at <a href="wda@wvwda.org">wda@wvwda.org</a> and on <a href="http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx">http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx</a> (1. VSS Portal, 2. View Grant Opportunities, 3. WV Water Development Authority Economic Enhancement Grant Fund). Applications will not be processed until the verification is received.

The aviation industry is experiencing robust growth, with a significant demand for skilled professionals. Currently, there are more than 700,000 jobs available in the aviation sector nationwide, and this number is projected to increase as the industry continues to expand. West Virginia is uniquely positioned to capitalize on this demand, particularly through the enhancement of our aviation programs.

Marshall Aviation is on a rapid growth trajectory, backed by its comprehensive vision for the future of aviation in West Virginia. The University has established valuable partnerships with:

- Huntington Tri-State Airport
- West Virginia International Yeager Airport
- West Liberty University and Wheeling-Ohio County Airport
- Shepherd University and Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport in Martinsburg
- Greenbrier Valley Regional Airport in Lewisburg
- Mingo County with Unmanned Aircraft Systems training

With our current aviation program enrollment at 156% above projections and continuing to rise, now is the critical moment to expand our facilities and services. Our strategic roadmap is designed to responsibly accommodate this growth, ensuring we meet the escalating national demand for aviation services.

This addendum outlines a comprehensive funding request to support the expansion and enhancement of aviation programs in West Virginia, focusing on Marshall University and partner institutions to produce a holistic statewide impact. The proposed allocations are as follows:

#### 1. New Hangar at Yeager International Airport: \$15 million

To facilitate the growth of Marshall University's aviation program, this funding will support the construction of a new hangar, enhancing training capabilities and resources. Marshall's program began 2 ½ years ago with 18 students. Today, there are 237 students in this program. To meet this continued growth, 5 additional planes have been acquired and the hangar is necessary to house the planes. This new hangar will also allow space for future development.

# 2. Expansion of Marshall's Aviation Program across West Virginia, such as but not limited to Martinsburg and Lewisburg Airports: \$3 million

This funding will support the growth of Marshall's aviation program across the state, supporting broadening the program's reach and impact to communities like Martinsburg and Lewisburg. This funding will be primarily used to purchase additional aircraft and other safety and operations support and equipment.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to the opportunity to advance aviation education and services across West Virginia, positioning the Mountain State as a nationally recognized leader in aviation.

# STATE GRANT AWARD VERIFICATION (WVIJDC # \_\_\_\_)

Under penalty of law for false swear an authorized representation of the swear and sworn statement, where filed all reports and sworn statements of expenditure for Virginia Code Chapter 12, Article 4, Section 14.  Witness my signature this day of	or state grants received as required by West
	int Name Howy Strow int Title CLO/ VP Strategic Initiatives and Corporate Relations
The foregoing was instrument was subscribed a on this 25 day of, 2014.	and sworn to me by H. Toney Stroud
My commission expires: September (	2225
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA Core Westmorsland Marshall University One John Marshall Drive Hurthington, WV 25755 My Commission Explices Sectember 10, 2025	OTARY PUBLIC



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October 28, 2024

Ms. Ann Urling, Chair **West Virginia Water Development Authority** 1009 Bullitt Street Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Ms. Urling:

This letter will serve as support for the West Virginia Water Development Authority ("WVWDA") Economic Enhancement Grant Fund for Marshall University.

Because of the success of the Marshall Aviation program (increasing from 18 students in the first year to currently 237 students), \$15 million will be used to construct a new hangar at Yeager International Airport which will house five new recently purchased airplanes. An additional \$3 million will be used in support of other West Virginia airports such as Martinsburg and Lewisburg, in purchasing additional aircraft and other safety operations and support.

I urge you to consider this worthwhile project so that we may advance aviation education in West Virginia. I believe that, with your support, we can move forward and make the Mountain State a leader in aviation.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Graney

**Acting Cabinet Secretary** 

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(11202	APPLICATION FOR WDA ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT GRANT FUNDING (WV Code 22C-1-6a(c) (7)-Infrastructure (economic development) Project)
1)	Project Sponsor:Governmental or X Not-for-Profit  Name: TRI STATE AIRPORT AUTHORITY
	Name: 1449 AIRPORT ROAD HUNTINGTON, WV 25704
	Contact Name: BRENT BROWN
	Email Address: BBROWN@TRISTATEAIRPORT.COM
	Phone Number: 304-453-6165 EXT 314
2)	Attach a detailed Project Description including scope, timelines, sources, amounts and
	status of all anticipated funding and a detailed budget for the Infrastructure Project.
	Attach financial information and any supporting documentation.
3)	Amount of WDA EEG Fund being requested: \$7,000,000
	Amount of Project Sponsor contribution:
4)	Status of Infrastructure Project design: JANUARY 15, 2025
	Estimated date for design completion: JUNE 15, 2025
5)	Estimated construction period: AUGUST 15,2025
•	Estimated completion date: NOVEMBER 15, 2025
6)	Date of last audit: SEPTEMBER 27, 2024
٠,	Attach copy of most recent audit.
7)	Required recommendation: Commerce, Economic Development

Tourism \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach letter from the applicable Secretary).

Application Date:	OCTOBER	28, 2024

Authorized Representative/Project Sponsor

Name/Title: BRENT BROWN, AIRPORT DIRECTOR

Signature:

NOTE: The Project Sponsor must complete the attached verification form and email it with this application to the West Virginia Water Development Authority at <a href="wda@wvwda.org">wda@wvwda.org</a> and on <a href="http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx">http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx</a> (1. VSS Portal, 2. View Grant Opportunities, 3. WV Water Development Authority Economic Enhancement Grant Fund). Applications will not be processed until the verification is received.

#### **Marie Prezioso**

From:

Brent Brown <br/> <br/>bbrown@tristateairport.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 28, 2024 4:06 PM

To:

Marie Prezioso; Ashley Draper

Subject:

**RE: WDA EEG Application** 

**Attachments:** 

WV WDA Grant App 2024 - HTS.pdf

Marie,

I have updated the grant application to reflect the \$7 million ask. This amount is all for the design and construction for the southside access road and utility upgrades. Reducing the ask, removed the north access road design and the sponsor match. (The match money we do have secured is for the north access road only) Please discard any information that we have provided you regarding the north access road design.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Brent Brown Airport Director

TRI-STATE AIRPORT 1449 Airport Rd. Huntington, WV 25704 O: 304.453.6165; 321

F: 304-453.6183

From: Marie Prezioso <mprezioso@wvwda.org>

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2024 3:41 PM

**To:** Ashley Draper <adraper@tristateairport.com> **Cc:** Brent Brown <bbr/>brown@tristateairport.com>

**Subject:** RE: WDA EEG Application

I have been told that the application should be for \$7 million even. The first application would work except it has the small contribution.

Please us updated with the \$7 million ask.

Thank you,

#### Marie L. Prezioso

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October 28, 2024

Ms. Ann Urling, Chair West Virginia Water Development Authority 1009 Bullitt Street Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Ms. Urling:

This letter will serve as support for the West Virginia Water Development Authority ("WVWDA") Economic Enhancement Grant Fund for the Tri-State Airport Authority, in particularly the North Landslide Development Program.

The monies from this grant award of \$7 million will be used to enhance and realign the airport terminal loop road to allow for the support of future infrastructure development and airport accessibility. The projects are outlined more specifically in a Service Agreement dated October 9, 2023.

I urge you to consider approval of this project which will improve access for the traveling public and various airport users.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Graney Acting Cabinet Secretary

Michael R. Caravey

# APPLICATION FOR WDA ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT GRANT FUNDING (WV Code 22C-1-6a(c)(2) – (6)) Designate sub-section (6)

1)	Project Sponsor: X Governmental or Not-for-Profit		
	Name: Mason County Public Service District		
	Address: 101 Camden Avenue, Point Pleasant, WV 25550		
	Contact Name: Brent Clark, Manager		
	Email Address: bclark.mcpsd20@gmail.com		
	Phone Number: (304) 675-8940		
2)	Project Description:		
	Attach a copy of the PER.		
3)	Status of Project design: Complete		
4)	Provide Budget/Sources & Uses/Schedule B.		
	Amount of WDA EEG Fund being requested: \$6,200,000		
	Amount, if any, required for a Federal match: \$0		
	Federal program requiring the match:  N/A		
5)	Status of other project funding:  Mason County Commission - Committed; DWTRF - Pending; EEGF - Pending;		
6)	Estimated construction period: 365 days; Start 12/2024		
	Estimated completion date: End 12/2025		
7)	Date approved by WVIJDC: Anticipated February, 2024		
8)	Date of last audit: FY2022; FY2023 to be done by 2/27/2024		

Application	Date: January 30, 2024	
	Representative/Project Sponsor	
Name/Title:	Brent Clark, Manager	
Signature:	Brout d. Clane	

NOTE: The Project Sponsor must complete the attached verification form and email it with this application to the West Virginia Water Development Authority at <a href="wda@wvwda.org">wda@wvwda.org</a> and on <a href="http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx">http://wvoasis.gov/VSS/Default.aspx</a> (1. VSS Portal, 2. View Grant Opportunities, 3. WV Water Development Authority Economic Enhancement Grant Fund). Applications will not be processed until the verification is received.

**Date:** 10/28/2024

# FUNDING COMMITTEE REPORT - PRELIMINARY APPLICATION REVIEW WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE AND JOBS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

## A. General Information

<b>Project Sponsor</b>	MASON COUNTY PSD								
Project Number	2023W-	2023W-2481 Congression		t.	3	Resubmitted	Revision No.		
Contact	Brent Clark								
Engineer	Jonathan Carpenter								
Administrator	Kathryn K. Elliott								
Total customers served (existing)	6037	Туре	New customers to be served by project		0	County	Region		
		Water				MASON			
Project Description	This project consists of a 38,000-foot extension of 10-inch waterline along West Virginia State Route 817 and a 117-gallon storage tank to supply the proposed Henderson development.								
Emergency project	ct as defi	ned by §31-1	5A-2?	Yes No X					
Existing Source/Treatment			<b>Proposed Source/Treatment</b>						
Point Pleasant			N	Mason County PSD					

# **B.** Technical Staff/Funding Committee Recommendation

Rates (3,400-gal)	2020 Census	Staff Recommendation:
Existing Rates: Proposed Rates: 0.6% MHI 1.25% MHI 1.5% MHI 1.75% MHI 2.0% MHI	43.95 43.95 10.09 21.02 25.22 29.43 33.63	The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Mason Co PSD pursue a \$4,700,000 WDA EEGF, a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Debt Forgiveness, and \$50,000 Mason County Commission ARPA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,250,000.
Design Fees to Const % Total Fee to Const %	7.21% 18.58%	

## C. Funding Assistance Summary

Sources & Amounts Propos	sed	Sources & Amounts			
in Preliminary Applicatio	n	Approved By Council			
1. WDA Economic Enhancement Grant	\$4 700 000 00	Local/City/Council     WDA Economic Enhancement Grant	\$50,000.00		
Fund	ψ-1,700,000.00	2. WDA Economic Enhancement Grant	\$6,200,000.00		
2. Local/City/Council (11/30/23)	\$50,000.00	Fund	\$0,200,000.00		
3. DWTRF Debt Forgiveness	\$1,500,000.00				
Total:	\$6,250,000.00	Total:	\$6,250,000.00		