



Session Title: New Resilience Grants – Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities (BRIC)

Date: May 13, 2021 from 11am-12pm CST

Registration fee: Free for AWWA members (use code AWWAMEMBER)
\$10 for nonmembers

Continuing Education Credits: Eligible for 1 PDH or CEU hour (MDNR course #2108624)

Course outline:

1. 11:00 am – 11:05 am – Introduction & Overview
2. 11:05 am – 11:15 am – Risk & Resilience for Water utilities
3. 11:15 am – 11:25 am – Risk vs. Cost
4. 11:25 am – 11:40 am – BRIC Grant Background
5. 11:40 am – 11:55 am – BRIC Grant Details for Missouri
6. 11:50 am – 12:00 pm - Questions & Answers

Course Description:

On August 4, 2020, FEMA published the Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the new Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. This grant cycle implements Section 1234 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018. BRIC will make \$500 million available to states, local governments, tribes and territories for mitigation activities designed to strengthen the nation’s efforts to build a culture of preparedness. The application period runs from Sept. 30th through Jan. 29th each year for the next 6 years. This is significantly more funding than the traditional Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant set-asides each state is allotted which has been replaced by the BRIC program.

The presentation will describe the background to this funding and the reasons that the new focus will include priority funding to water and wastewater utilities. It will also explain the types of ideal projects appropriate for funding, the application process, how the State of Missouri Emergency Management Agency assists and leads this process for a utility as the applicant for the utility (subapplicant). It will explain the timing, grant match requirements, streamlined application process, including the online Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) tool, and typical project funding amount.

Virtual Attendance Verification:

The virtual training session will be hosted using the GoToWebinar platform and will be moderated by Karen Marie Dietze, Missouri Section of AWWA board member. The moderator will monitor questions as they come in through the chat/question feature in GoToWebinar. Attendance will be verified through participation in 3 poll questions, which will appear at different times throughout the presentation. Attendees will only receive certificates of completion if they participate in all 3 poll questions and the feedback survey, which is emailed after the presentation.

Course Instructor Qualifications



Lisa Douglas, PE, PMP – Lisa Douglas is Principal for Kowelman Engineering, Inc. (KEI). She has dedicated her 30+ year career to state-of-the-art water/wastewater asset management, condition assessment, utility resilience and emergency planning for facilities and infrastructure as well as the large-scale technology programs that can be required in these areas. Her certifications include:

- Licensed Professional Engineer in the states of Missouri and Illinois
- FEMA Disaster Management for Water/Wastewater Utilities
- AWWA Utility Risk and Resilience Program Certificate
- Project Management Professional

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