

RESOLUTION NO. 31-2024

Introduced by Joel Hagy

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING SUBMISSION OF AN APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST APPLICATION TO U.S. SENATOR SHERROD BROWN'S FY25 CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING (CDS) RELATING TO THE HURON RIVER RAW WATER ALTERNATE INTAKE AND SLUDGE LAGOON PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND XX/100 DOLLARS (\$1,500,000.00); AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT SAID GRANT AWARD(S) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND XX/100 DOLLARS (\$1,500,000.00), SHOULD THE APPLICATION BE SUCCESSFUL.

WHEREAS, the City of Huron has made an appropriations request to U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) relating to the Huron River Water Alternate Intake and Sludge Lagoon Project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the City meets basic eligibility requirements for funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Huron has the authority to apply for financial assistance and to administer the amounts received from U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS); and

WHEREAS, the City of Huron must direct and authorize the City Manager, Matthew Lasko, to act as the Authorized Representative for the application and Project, if awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Huron hereby ratifies submission of an appropriations request to U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) to become eligible for potential funding assistance relating to the Huron River Raw Water Alternate Intake and Sludge Lagoon Project in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand and xx/100 Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

SECTION 2. If grant funds are awarded, the City Manager is further authorized and directed to execute an agreement for and on behalf of the City of Huron, Ohio with U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand and xx/100 Dollars (\$1,500,000.00), and which agreement shall be in substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

SECTION 3. That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including O.R.C. §121.22.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall go into effect and be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

ATTEST: Jerri Weikener
Council Clerk

Monty Tapp
Monty Tapp, Mayor

ADOPTED: 26 MAR 2024





**Interior, Environment & Related Agencies — Senator Brown's
 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Requests for Fiscal Year 2025** (City of Huron, Ohio,

Secondary Water Intake)

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* indicates a required field.

Section 1. Organization and Contact

1. Name of Requesting Organization *

City of Huron, Ohio

2. CEO/Principal of the Requesting Organization *

Please provide the name of the principal who leads your organization, whether it be a CEO, Board Chair, or Mayor.

Matt Lasko, City Manager

3. CEO/Principal Contact Number *

Please provide the cell phone or direct line of the Principal of your organization, in case the Senator needs to reach out to them directly.

4194335000

4. Street Address *

417 Main St.

5. City *

Huron

6. State *

Ohio

7. Zip Code *

44839

8. County *

Erie

9. Ohio Congressional District *

Please state the Ohio Congressional District that is associated with the address of your organization. If your organization spans multiple congressional districts, state the primary district first and then list the other districts.

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10. Primary Contact | First and Last Name *

The primary contact must be an employee of the organization applying for funds; lobbyists or government consultants cannot be primary points of contact.

Matt Lasko

11. Primary Contact | Title

City Manager

12. Primary Contact | Email *

citymanager@huronohio.us

13. Primary Contact | Phone Number *

4194335000

14.Primary Contact | Secondary Phone Number

No answer.

15.Would you like to add a Secondary Contact?

Yes

15.1 Secondary Contact | First and Last Name

Stuart Hamilton

15.2 Secondary Contact | Title

Service Director

15.3 Secondary Contact | Email

stuart.hamilton@huronohio.us

15.4 Secondary Contact | Phone Number

4194335000

15.5 Secondary Contact | Secondary Phone Number

No answer.

Section 2. Interior, Environment & Related Agencies

1. Please indicate what type of entity is applying for funds. *

For-profit organizations are not eligible to receive CDS funding.

Local government

2. Please provide the non-profit entity's Employer Identification Number (EIN). *

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There are ten funding accounts within this spending bill.

Each submitted application can only request funding from one account for one project. In other words, a single project cannot request funding from more than one account. If you have any questions about which account your project falls under, please visit the guidelines document linked at <https://www.brown.senate.gov/appropriations>.

Please answer all the questions that you see below.

3. Are you applying for funds from the EPA: State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG), Clean Water SRF, Clean Water CDS account? *

No

3.1 If your request is for a water infrastructure project, please confirm that the project is publicly-owned or owned by a non-profit entity.

No answer.

3.2 If your request is for a local or municipal project, please indicate whether your project is included on the state of Ohio's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan (IUP).

No answer.

3.3 If your request is for a state or local water infrastructure project, please confirm BOTH of the following requirements:

1. you have at least a 20% cost share set up for your project
2. only the non-federal portion of assistance provided by a State Revolving Loan Fund has been applied towards the project's matching requirements.

No answer.

4. Are you applying for funds from the EPA: State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG), Drinking Water SRF, Drinking Water CDS account? *

Yes

4.1 If your request is for a water infrastructure project, please confirm that the project is publicly-owned or owned by a non-profit entity.

Yes, my water infrastructure project is publicly-owned or owned by a non-profit entity.

4.2 If your request is for a local or municipal project, please indicate whether your project is included on the state of Ohio's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan (IUP).

No, my local or municipal project is not included on the State of Ohio's IUP list. Note to applicant: Projects not included on the IUP list are funded only in exceptional circumstances, if they are eligible for funding under State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) guidelines.

4.3 If your request is for a state or local water infrastructure project, please confirm the following criteria:

1. you have at least a 20% cost share set up for your project, and
2. only the non-federal portion of assistance provided by a State Revolving Loan Fund has been applied towards the project's matching requirements.

Yes, my state or local water infrastructure project meets the requirements specified in the question.

5. Are you applying for funds from the SFC: HIS, Sanitations Facilities Construction, Sanitation Facilities Construction CDS account? *

No

5.1 If your request is for a tribal project, please confirm that your project is included on the Indian Health Services' (IHS) Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) list.

No answer.

5.2 If your request is for a tribal project that is NOT included on the Indian Health Services' (IHS) Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) list, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program (SFCP)?

No answer.

6. Are you applying for funds from the HPF: NPS, Historic Preservation Fund account? *

No

6.1 If your request is for non-formula funded activity within HPF, please confirm that your project meets the qualifications of HPF activities, including eligible entities and activities.

No answer.

6.2 Please confirm that the funds you are requesting will not be used for the acquisition of collections or historic properties.

Acquisitions of collections or historic properties are not eligible for funding from this account.

No answer.

6.3 Please confirm that the applicant is eligible for one of the competitive grant funding opportunities within the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF).

No answer.

7. Are you applying for funds from the SPF: USFS, State, and Private Forestry, Forest Resource Information and Analysis account? *

No

7.1 Is this project part of the state's Forest Action Plan OR does the project contribute to meeting the goals of the state's Forest Action Plan?

No answer.

8. Are you applying for funds from the Projects on Agency Lists account? *

No

8.1 Please select the list that your project falls within:

No answer.

9. Are you applying for funds from the Land Management Agencies, Local Projects and Research account? *

No

9.1 If your request is for a project focused on BLM, Management of Land and Resources, Habitat Management Priorities, please indicate whether your project activities are related to wildlife and aquatic habitat management.

No answer.

**9.2 If your request is for a project focused on NPS, National Recreation and Preservation, Statutory and Contractual Aid, please indicate the following:
whether your project activities are related to operating, managing, and preserving resources, including as authorized by law.**

No answer.

9.3 If your request is for a project focused on FWS, Resource Management, Stewardship Priorities, please indicate whether your project activities are related to fish and aquatic conservation, habitat conservation, recovery, and restoration activities.

No answer.

**9.4 If your request is for a project focused on USGS, Surveys Investigations and Research, Status, and Trends, please indicate the following:
whether your project activities are related to high priority and core science research, or ecosystem and water resources related activities.**

No answer.

9.5 If your request is for a project focused on USGS, Surveys Investigations and Research, Status, and Trends, please confirm that your project is relevant to the specified mission area within an appropriate bureau.

No answer.

10. Are you applying for funds from the BIA, Operation of Indian Programs, Special Initiatives account? *

No

10.1 Please confirm that your project meets ALL of the following requirements:

1. honors the commitment to invest in tribal communities
2. creates economic opportunities
3. fosters cultural heritage
4. promotes efficient and effective tribal governance, and
5. conserve natural resources.

No answer.

11. Are you applying for funds from the EPA, Science and Technology, Research: National Priorities account? *

No

11.1 Please indicate whether your project focuses on high priority lines of research related to environmental quality and human health.

No answer.

12. Are you applying for funds from the EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, STAG Infrastructure Grants account? *

Yes

12.1 Please indicate whether your project is related to existing funding categories and activities within the STAG account that will result in improvements in environmental quality and/or human health.

Yes, my project meets the specification listed in the question.

Section 3. Organization and Project Description

1. Overview of Organization *

Please provide a brief history of the organization, its mission, its main activities, and its links to local communities.

The City of Huron has been in existence since the mid-1800's. In 1909, the city opened its first water filtration plant. In 1957, the current filtration plant was commissioned. The city improved the capacity of the water filtration plant in 2022 with an expansion to the existing facility. The current raw water intake was constructed in 1957.

The City of Huron Water Department provides drinking water to an estimated 49,000 people in the city and surrounding areas of Erie County. In addition to residents, several large employers in manufacturing and agriculture rely on the water provided by the city. The city also provides water to Erie County water utility for their distribution throughout Erie County.

The City is committed to providing safe and reliable drinking water for its residents, businesses, others and to the surrounding areas of Erie County.

2. Project Description *

Please provide a short description of the program or project for which you are seeking federal support. Include information about its purpose, goals, history, and current status.

This description should be complete WITHOUT external links or references to supporting materials.

The project would construct a secondary raw water intake to supply the City of Huron and surrounding Erie County areas from the Huron River.

History:

The current single raw water intake was constructed in 1957 and is located in Lake Erie, at the water filtration plant. Records dating back to the 1980's show the intake system has been plagued by freeze ups due to frazil ice occurring in Lake Erie. Frazil ice is a term for ice crystals that have formed in the water column due to turbulence, such as waves and currents. At Huron, Lake Erie is relatively shallow and frazil ice can easily develop. Frazil ice crystals easily cling and accumulate on the existing intake structure and piping, causing blockages. Removal is nearly impossible as the intake is one half mile offshore, below the surface of the lake.

Frazil ice accumulation issues occur almost every winter season and at times render the filtration plant inoperable due to the blockage. The city has made attempts over the last three decades to mitigate the icing using several measures, but none of these has been successful. *On occasion, the Fire Dept. had to called in to assist in creating an opening in the lake ice covering and temporary pumps utilized to bring water to the plant. This solution does not supply the total necessary amount needed for the city and puts personnel at risk along with tying up safety forces. There was one incident during an ice blockage that a business caught fire and there was insufficient water supply for the firefighting efforts.*

In recent years, harmful algal blooms in the western areas of Lake Erie have also affected the current intake source.

The project would create an intake at the west bank of the Huron River. The river source is not subject to frazil ice issues. A pump station would be constructed that consists of a 30-foot deep, 12-foot diameter wet well with pumps and backup generator. A 20-inch pipeline would be constructed to transport the raw water to the treatment plant for processing.

The project is currently in engineering design. It is anticipated that it will be ready to bid late in 2024, with construction in 2025.

3. Link to Program/Project

If the program or project has a website, please include the link here.

No answer.

Section 4. Project Impact

1. Project Impact — General *

Please explain how funding this project will benefit taxpayers, focusing on the following questions:

1. What positive outcomes or impact will the project have?
2. What is the size of the population that would directly benefit from the project, and indirectly benefit from the project?
3. What performance indicators or metrics will be used to measure whether this project has achieved its objectives?

This description should be complete WITHOUT external links or references to supporting materials.

Impacts:

- o The water source at the Huron River is not subject to frazil ice. The intake would insure a reliable, consistent, uninterrupted source of water for the filtration plants' continuing operations. No water rationing would be necessary.
- o Additionally, the river water source would provide a reliable, safe source of water, free from harmful algal bloom situation that could otherwise contaminate the drinking water supply in the summer months. The public health will be insured from being affected.
- o Having a consistent uninterrupted water source will insure community safety. The water supply for any firefighting efforts will not be jeopardized.

Population Impacts:

- o Approximately 49,000 residents would be affected.
- o Approximately 6,000 jobs would be affected.

Performance metrics:

- o Events such as frazil ice and harmful algal blooms would be easily tracked. At such times the river intake would be activated and the usages tracked for those events.

2. Project Impact — County *

Which county will primarily be affected by the project?

If there are multiple counties, please list the additional counties after the primary county.

Erie

3. Project Impact — Socioeconomic Status *

What is the median income of the population that is expected to benefit from this project?

Please briefly explain how you arrived at this estimate: What source(s) of information did you use and what (if any) assumption(s) did you make?

Median Income: \$64,144.00

Source: www.census.gov

Huron, Ohio 44839 data search

4. Project Impact — Specific Groups

If applicable, please explain how this project could benefit one or more of the following groups: underserved rural and/or urban communities, women, under-represented racial/ethnic minority groups, LGBTQ+ community.

Be as concrete as possible in your answer.

All groups in the service area of City of Huron Water Department and surrounding portions of Erie County will benefit from a more reliable, safe and secure water source.

5. Project Impact — Job Creation for Project

If applicable, please state how many new staff positions will be created during this project (*e.g., technician, instructor, counselor, construction worker, etc.*).

In your answer, state the job title for each of the new positions.

Construction jobs for the project are estimated to be 45-65 jobs related to the project. Local material suppliers and related businesses will be involved, and their staffs may see an increase. Maintenance of the completed project will be included in the municipal water utility program.

6. Project Impact — Longer-Term Job Creation

If applicable, please explain how this project could create permanent, quality jobs after the FY25 funding has been expended. In your answer:

1. Estimate the number of quality jobs that are likely to be created
2. List the job title for each of these new positions
3. Explain why you consider these jobs to be quality jobs

Long Term job creation would not predictably be expected as the maintenance will be part of the water utility program.

Section 5. Project Budget and Timeline

1. What is the total amount of funding you are requesting for this project? *

1500000

2. What is the total cost of your project?

3200000

3. Project Funding Justification *

Please explain why other sources of funding (federal, non-federal, private) are insufficient for your project. List which other sources of funding you have considered but decided were insufficient.

The current only funding source is municipal/local funds from the current water utility fees. Borrowing of funds and/or bond issues are the only alternatives at this time.

Other funding sources have been applied for since 2023 but have been unsuccessful.

4. Project Budget *

Explain how the money, if awarded, will be spent in FY25 (i.e., \$X for salaries; \$Y for programming; \$Z for equipment; etc.).

Please be specific when describing the activities and expenditures.

The funds would be spent in FY 25 on Progress Construction costs and Construction Services (project management and inspections)

If awarded the full amount of the application, we estimate Construction costs allocation at \$1,335,000; we estimate allocation for Construction Services at \$165,000.

5. Project Timeline *

Provide a quarterly timeline for the development and implementation of the project (including plans for staff hires and/or purchases of goods and services) that spans the entire funding period.

Include goals and benchmarks for the project in each quarter (i.e., every 3 months).

Design: FY 24, Quarters 2-3

Anticipated Bidding: FY 24 Quarter 4-FY 25 Quarter 1

Anticipated Construction FY 25, Quarters 2-4; completion FY26 Quarter 1

6. Project Sustainability *

If your project were to receive CDS funding, how do you plan to continue the work and pay for any ongoing staff positions after the funding has been expended?

The project maintenance will be incorporated into the current water utility maintenance system and funded using normal municipal funding supported by local water usage rates in place.

Section 6. Project Readiness and Success

1. Project Capital Development *

Please explain what efforts you have undertaken to pull together capital for this project (e.g., set aside organization's own funds, organized a fundraising campaign, secured donations of equipment, applied for grant support, etc.).

The project capital development to date has primarily involved set aside of capital budget funds in the city budget, along with water usage income from the water dept.

Applications for grant funding have been made to Ohio Department of Development and is planned to be made later this year to Ohio Public Works Commission.

The city is constantly and actively looking and applying when qualifying grant opportunities that come up.

2. Has the project received state, local, or private funds? *

No

2.1 Please list the sources for each of these types of funding this project received.

No answer.

3. Have you submitted – or will you submit – this FY25 CDS request to another Congressional Office? *

Yes

3.1 List the name(s) of the U.S. Representative and/or U.S. Senator to whom you have submitted the request.

Rep. Kaptur

4. Has the organization successfully utilized federal funding in any capacity in the last 5 years? *

Yes

4.1 List the relevant project(s) and the associated source(s) and amounts of federal funding.

Sawmill Parkway Improvement Project: U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (Project #06-79-06333) \$1,786,345.00 Completed 2024

5. Are local elected officials, community leaders, and/or local organizations supportive of the project? *

Yes

5.1 List their names of local elected officials, community leaders, and/or local organizations supportive of the project.

You can upload Letters of Support in the Checklist section of the application form.

Huron City Council (7 members)

Huron Fire Dept.

Kristen Clayman (resident)

Carolyn Ochs (resident)

6. Did the organization submit a Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) request for FY23 or FY24? *

Yes

6.1 List how much funding the organization was awarded for FY23/FY24.

You can check the amount on this website:

<https://www.appropriations.senate.gov/congressionally-directed-spending-requests>

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Section 7. Project Ranking

1. Will the requesting organization be submitting other FY25 funding requests to support other projects, in addition to this one? *

For instance, you might apply for funds from different subcommittees or accounts to support separate projects.

Yes

1.1 Rank your FY25 funding requests in order of preference.

1 = highest preference, 2 = second-highest preference, 3 = third-highest preference, etc.

1= Municipal Marina

2= Secondary Water Intake