

**DISTRICT EIGHTEEN
PUBLIC WORKS INTEGRATING COMMITTEE**

**FISCAL YEAR 2026 (ROUND 39)
EVALUATION CRITERIA
PROJECT WEIGHING FACTORS**

<u>Evaluation Criteria</u>	<u>Total Points*</u>
1. Needs of the District	75
2. Committee Discretionary Points	135
3. Infrastructure Age/Useful Life	25
4. Health and Safety Needs	75
5. Readiness to Proceed	75
6. Financial Factors	50
7. Other Project Factors	<u>150</u>
TOTAL	<u>585</u>

**** 1 Revised Item ****
Factor 7 A - Revised

**POINTS AWARDED FOR COOPERATIVE PROJECTS MAY BE PRORATED
BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION OF EACH
SUBDIVISION.**

**COOPERATIVE PROJECTS MUST HAVE A SEPARATE SUPPLMENTAL
SHEET ATTACHED FOR EACH SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATING.**

APPLICATION SUBMISSION – APPLICATIONS DUE AUGUST 30, 2024:
OPWC PORTAL - WORKSWISE
(1) ORIGINAL – HARD COPY

SLATE TIE BREAKER –
1.) WEIGHT
2.) USEFUL LIFE
3.) COUNTY SUBCOMMITTEE PRIORITY (HIGHEST TO LOWEST)

FACTOR 1: NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT (Maximum 75 points) (A & B)

ORC164.06(B)(1) and ORC 164.14(E)(7)

A. Road and Bridge Projects (Maximum 25 points)

Arterial Street	25 points
Collector Street	20 points
Subcollector Street	15 points
Local Street	10 points
Minor/Cul-de-sac/Dead-end Street	5 points

NOTE: Definitions in Appendix A.

Water, Sewer, or Other Projects (Maximum 25 points)

Regional Impact (More than one County)	25 points
Affects Multiple Communities or Townships	20 points
Local Area (City or Village)	15 points
Local Area (Subdivision*)	10 points
Local Problem (Portion of a Subdivision)	5 points

* "Subdivision" refers to lots or parcels.

B. Subdivision's priority (Maximum 50 Points) **Provide your priority on page 1 of the application after "Project Name".**

Priority 1	50 points
Priority 2	40 points
Priority 3	30 points
Priority 4	20 points
Priority 5	10 points

FACTOR 2: COMMITTEE POINTS (Maximum 135 points)

ORC 164.06(B)(8) and ORC 164.14(E)(3), ORC 164.14(E)(6)

A. Executive Committee (Maximum 60 points) 60 points

Upon evaluation of the project, these points may be allocated by the Executive Committee based on Appendix B of these Evaluation Criteria.

B. County Subcommittee (Maximum 75 points)

Priority 1	75 points
Priority 2	65 points
Priority 3	55 points
Priority 4	45 points

FACTOR 3: INFRASTRUCTURE AGE/USEFUL LIFE (Max. 25 points) (A,B, OR C)
Photos must be included, otherwise ZERO (0) points will be awarded.

ORC 164.06(B)(2) and ORC 164.14(E)(6)

A. Water, Storm Water, and Sanitary Sewer Projects: Remaining Useful Life LEFT of Existing Infrastructure

Out-of-Service (Out of Service Supplemental sheet required)	25 points
1 to 3 years	20 points
4 to 6 years	15 points
7 to 9 years	10 points
10 to 12 years	5 points
New	0 points

B. Bridges: Remaining Useful Life

Closed OR Restricted to 25% or less of legal load	25 points
If closed = Closed Supplemental sheet required	
Restricted to 50% or less of legal load	20 points
1 to 2 years	15 points
3 to 5 years	10 points
6 to 10 years	5 points

C. Roads: Age of Existing Infrastructure

(Age is counted from time of last hard surface, asphalt, or concrete).

More than 20 years	25 points
16 to 20 years	20 points
11 to 15 years	15 points
7 to 10 years	10 points

FACTOR 4: HEALTH AND SAFETY NEEDS (Maximum 75 points) (A,B, or C)
 ORC 164.06(B)(4) and ORC 164.14(E)(1), ORC 164.14(E)(2), ORC 164.14(E)(6), ORC 164.14(E)(9)

A. Bridge Projects (Maximum 75 points)

Sufficiency Rating 0 to 30 or General Appraisal Rating of 3 or Less	75 points
Sufficiency Rating 31 to 40 or General Appraisal Rating of 4	60 points
Sufficiency Rating 41 to 50 or General Appraisal Rating of 5	45 points
Sufficiency Rating 51 to 60 or General Appraisal Rating of 6	30 points

B. Roadway Projects (Maximum 75 points) (1 or 2)

1. Street Rideability Rating

-Hazard to the health and safety of the traveling public impeding all traffic. 75 points
(Example would be severe rutting of over 50% of the riding surface, causing traffic to leave its normal travel lane to avoid deep ruts and/or pot holes, creating a high hazard to the health and safety of the motorist.)

-Restrictions to necessary types of traffic such as ambulances, fire trucks, school buses, etc. 60 points
(Examples would be moderate rutting of 26% to 50% of the riding surface causing traffic to lower speed to less than 50% of the legal speed limit to provide an acceptable and safe ride, which would restrict response time to an emergency.)

-Visible safety hazards 45 points
(Examples are alligator cracking, corrugations, and/or transverse and longitudinal cracking of over 50% of the riding surface.)

2. Documented number of traffic accidents in previous 12-month period
(If Guardrails are the majority of the project, the health and safety of the project will be rated using this criteria. Accidents must be within the project limits. Accidents caused by animals or alcohol related accidents will not be counted.)

More than 9	75 points
7 to 8	60 points
5 to 6	45 points
3 to 4	30 points
1 to 2	15 points

C. Water, Sewer, or Other Projects (Maximum 75 points, no "pyramiding")

Supporting Certified Documentation for water and/or sewer projects necessary. Storm water projects will be rated on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Committee. Applicant must attach documentation verifying the health and safety need.

OEPA has issued one, or more, of the following Findings, Orders, Recommendations or Standards	75 points
OEPA has documented requirements for continued operation	60 points
Local Health Board has determined hazardous health & safety problem	45 points

FACTOR 5: READINESS TO PROCEED (Maximum 75 points) (A,B, or C)

ORC 164.06(B)(9) and ORC 164.14(E)(5)

A. Locally-Funded Road, Bridge, and Other Projects: Period from when project approval is granted and construction will begin.

Less than 3 months	75 points
3 to 6 months	60 points
7 to 9 months	45 points
10 to 12 months	30 points

B. State and Federally-Funded Road, Bridge, and Other Projects

Project sale date set	75 points
F. & O.C. has been held	60 points
Drainage review held	45 points
Line grade and typical approved	30 points
Project is programmed	15 points

C. Water and Sewer Projects (All dates are calculated based on application deadline)

Detail Plans have been submitted to EPA more than 270 days, <u>or</u> Plans have been approved (approval letter attached to application)	75 points
Detail Plans have been submitted to EPA 180 – 269 days	60 points
Detail Plans have been submitted to EPA 90 – 179 days	45 points
Detail Plans have been submitted to EPA 1 – 89 days	30 points
General Plans have been submitted to EPA (if required)	15 points
Preliminary estimates are complete	10 points

FACTOR 6: FINANCIAL FACTORS (Maximum 50 points)

ORC 164.06(B)(3)(5)(6)(7) and ORC 164.14(E)(4)

Use of Non-Issue 2 Funds (Maximum 50 points) (1 and 2)

1. Local resources (in-kind or cash, but **not grants or loans**) as a percentage of the total project cost.

Over 25%	30 points
21% to 25%	20 points
16% to 20%	10 points
11% to 15%	5 points
0% to 10%	0 points

2. **Other leveraged funding** as a percentage of the total project cost (**includes EDA, FAS, FmHA, FHWA, ARC, CDBG, etc.**) Applicant must provide documentation that funds are committed by funding agency and available. **OWDA letters will no longer be accepted as “committed” funds.**

50% and over	20 points
40% to 49%	15 points
30% to 39%	10 points
20% to 29%	5 points
0% to 19%	0 points

3. **Generation of Revenue (Project specific user fees or assessments)**

No new user fees or assessments	10 points
New user fees or assessments	0 points

FACTOR 7: OTHER PROJECT FACTORS (*Maximum 150 points*) (A, B & C)
 ORC 164.06(B)(5), ORC 164.06(B)(10) and ORC 164.14(E)(6), ORC 164.14(E)(10)

- A. **Integrating Committee Priority** (*Maximum 50 points*)

Roads & Streets	50 points
Bridges and Culverts	45 points
Water Supply and Treatment	40 points
Sanitary Collection & Treatment	35 points
Storm Water Drainage	30 points
Solid Waste Facilities	25 points

- B. **Amount of Loan and/or Loan/Credit Enhancement (Percentage of requested amount of Issue II funds)** (*Maximum 100 points*)

100%	100 points
91% to 99%	50 points
81% to 90%	40 points
71% to 80%	30 points
51% to 70%	20 points
25% to 50%	10 points

C. Amount of OPWC Funds Requested (Maximum 50 points)

1. Amount of Grant OR Loan Requested

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| More than \$400,000 | 0 points |
| Less than or equal to \$400,000 | 50 points |

2. Amount of Grant AND Loan Combined Requested (Cannot request over \$400,000 for either grant or loan to receive the total 50 points)

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| More than \$800,000 | 0 points |
| Less than or equal to \$800,000 | 50 points |

Legal Disclaimer: The Director of the Ohio Public Works Commission is responsible for the development of the application for projects and approval of methodologies as mandated by Chapter 164 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). In the event of any discrepancies or conflicts arising between the supplemental materials provided by the District Integrating Committee, Ohio Public Works Commission policies, and the relevant sections of the ORC and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), the provisions of the ORC and OAC shall prevail. Any reliance or action taken based on information contained in the supplemental materials shall be at the applicant's own risk, and the Ohio Public Works Commission disclaims any liability for inaccuracies or inconsistencies therein.

APPENDIX A FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

The functional classification of streets shall be as follows:

1. **Arterial:** A major street in the applicant's street system that serves as an avenue for the circulation of traffic into, out, or around the municipality/township/county and carries heavy loads and high volumes of traffic.
2. **Collector:** A street whose principal function is to carry traffic between minor, local, and subcollector streets and arterial street but that may also provide direct access to abutting properties. It serves or is designed to serve, directly or indirectly, more than 100 dwelling units and is designed to be used or is used to carry more than 800 trips per day.
3. **Subcollector:** A street whose principal function is to provide access to abutting properties but is also designed to be used or is used to connect minor and local streets with collector or arterial streets. Including residences indirectly served through connecting streets, it serves or is designed to serve at least 26, but not more than 100, dwelling units and is expected to or does handle between 200 and 800 trips per day.
4. **Local:** A street whose sole function is to provide access to abutting properties. It serves or is designed to serve at least 10, but no more than 25, dwelling units and is expected to or does handle between 75 and 200 trips per day.
5. **Minor:** A street whose sole function is to provide access to abutting properties. It serves or is designed to serve not more than nine dwelling units and is expected to or does handle up to 75 trips per day.
6. **Cul-de-sac:** A street that terminates in a vehicular turnaround.

APPENDIX B OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS

1. Additional consideration may be given to applicants requesting a smaller amount of OPWC grant dollars.
2. Additional consideration may be given to projects based upon the amount of OPWC grant requested in proportion to the area or number of governmental entities served.
3. Additional consideration may be given to projects based upon the amount of OPWC grant requested in proportion to the number of users.
4. Additional consideration may be given to projects based upon a higher percentage of local participation.
5. Additional consideration may be given to repair or replacement projects.
6. Additional consideration may be given for the applicant's willingness to accept an OPWC loan for a portion of the OPWC grant amount requested at the Executive Committee Meeting.
7. Additional consideration may be given to projects ranked higher by the County Sub-Committee.
8. Additional consideration may be given to projects that affords specific and significant economic development opportunities.