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I. Introduction/Purpose

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Region I Planning and Development Council's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Introduction and Purpose

The Region I Planning and Development Council is a council of local governments consisting of six counties in southern West Virginia - McDowell, Mercer, Monroe, Raleigh, Summers and Wyoming, and twenty-seven municipalities located within these counties. The twenty-seven (27) mayors and six (6) county commissioners, along with private sector appointees, comprise the Regional Council Board of Directors who also serves as Region I PDC's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee. This Council also works closely with local Economic Development Authorities and Public Service Districts throughout the region, and various other local organizations.

Each year, the Regional Council must prepare or update a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for submission to its members, the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Economic Development Administration, the West Virginia Development Office, and the general public at large.

The purpose of the following is to provide an annual update to the Region's 5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

This Plan is a strategic perspective with planning focus on factors critical for economic advancement of the region. As the lowest common denominator, all economic and community development occurs at the local level - that is - in towns, cities, and counties. These local units of government must provide the necessary infrastructure and amenities that make an area competitive and attractive for economic and community development. After all, it is the local unit of government that provides development sites, water and sewer facilities, solid waste disposal, fire and police protection, and even recreational and cultural opportunities. This community development platform is necessary before an area can attract employment opportunities.

Economic development planning involves assessing and maximizing local resources while minimizing local deficiencies and coordinating approaches to alleviate economic distress.

It is the consensus of local, state, and federal government that this process can most

effectively be developed at the regional level.

This local planning approach to solve the Region's needs develops a strategic plan for this Council of local governments, while simultaneously fulfilling the planning requirements of the U.S. Economic Development Administration, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the West Virginia Development Office.

In summary, the CEDS is a local planning and regional implementation process designed to create jobs, foster more stable and diversified economies, improve living conditions and provide a mechanism for coordinating the efforts of persons and organizations concerned with economic development. This document describes the problems, needs and resources of this region, identifies the goals and objectives of the development program, presents the strategies and action plans devised to achieve these goals, and outlines the standards for evaluation of the program achievements.

THE REGIONAL COUNCIL
WHAT? WHO? WHY? WHERE? HOW?

THE REGION I PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

- What?** A public agency created by West Virginia law to provide comprehensive planning of all types for the region; coordination of federal and state funding in the region; a means of technical assistance to and cooperation between units of local government.
- Who?** All units of government in McDowell, Mercer, Monroe, Raleigh, Summers, and Wyoming Counties, plus up to 49% private sector appointees.
- Why?** Because the interdependence and relationships between neighboring communities and counties cover areas of employment, industry, housing, health, recreation, and environmental protection.
- Because the restricted tax resources and limited technical staff of the local government makes it more difficult to deal with the problems of development.
- Because natural resources such as clean water and air, land and mineral deposits are limited, and the use of these resources affects everyone.
- Where?** The Region I Planning and Development Council office located at 1439 E. Main Street, Suite 5, Princeton, WV 24740; Telephone (304) 431-7225; Fax (304) 431-7235; or E-mail us at: regionone@regiononepdc.com.
- How?** By the development of overall regional planning, continually updated to meet changing needs and conditions.
- Through the review, comment, and assistance in formulation of plans or proposals which involve public funding, governmental action, public property, intergovernmental cooperation, and regional development.
- With the involvement of local governments, citizens advisory councils, special interest representation, and task forces.

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CHANGES IN THE REGION

- A. **Changes within the Regional Council** – The significant changes within the region were the addition of the following to the Region I Planning & Development Council: Kevin Galford (Monroe County Commission), Charles Saunders (Summers County Commission), Bruce Mutter (Private Sector – Mercer County), Lisa Jones (Private Sector – Mercer County), Clint Ransom (Private Sector – Raleigh County), Donald Reed (Private Sector – McDowell County), Dreama Short (Private Sector - Raleigh County). Robert Farley, Ellen Taylor, Richard Browning, and Rev. Charles Collins were removed from the Council.
- B. **Changes within the Regional Economy** - The greatest change has been the significant economic and employment impacts resulting from the COVID-19 global pandemic. Region I, along with the WV Association of Region Councils (WV ARC), developed and disseminated a Business Impact Survey to ascertain the local and statewide impacts of the COVID pandemic. Similarly, Region I partnered with the WV ARC, the WV Development Office, the WV Chamber of Commerce, and the New River Gorge Regional Development Authority to prepare and disseminate an “Amended Hours” survey providing information on goods and services availability during the pandemic. Both surveys, along with other pertinent information, can be accessed at <https://www.regiononepdc.org/covid-19-resources>.

As of May 2020, the unemployment rate for the region was 11.7%. As of May 2021, the unemployment rate had dropped to 5.9%, representing a decrease of 5.8%. This drastic reduction in unemployment is attributed to recovery after the initial COVID outbreak.

Unemployment Rates May '20 vs. May '21

	<u>May '20</u>	<u>May '21</u>	<u>Change</u>
Region I PDC	11.7	5.9	-5.8
WV	12.3	5.0	-7.3
U. S.	13.3	5.8	-7.5

**Data Source: WV Bureau of Employment Programs (WV BEP)*

Non-Farm Payroll - Region I PDC

	<u>May 2020</u>	<u>May 2021</u>	<u>Change</u>
Total Non-Farm Payroll Employees	61,910	62,280	370

These are rather amazing statistics reflecting the COVID impact to the region's economy. Unlike the statistics for May 2020, where the region was faring better than both the state and the nation in terms of unemployment, the data for May 2021 reflects a regional unemployment rate slightly higher than West Virginia and the United States. Additionally, the Region experienced a slight increase in total non-farm payroll employees over the last year.

Cluster Development

The Region has and plans to encourage projects that enhance various industry clusters that are geographic concentrations of competing, complementary, or interdependent industries or firms that do business with each other and/or have common needs for talent, technology, and infrastructure. Examples of clusters that have developed or are currently developing:

1. Information Technology Cluster - Developing Interstate Tech Corridor Program to support this cluster.
2. Manufacturing Cluster
3. Energy - Fuel, Generation, Transmission
4. Value-Added Hardwood
5. Bottled Spring Water
6. Distribution Cluster - Due to central location to eastern U. S. and highway systems I-64, I-77, Appalachian Corridors L & Q, I-79, Coalfields Expressway.
7. Travel Tourism - White water rafting, skiing, resort parks, Hatfield-McCoy Trail System.

ASSESSMENT OF PROGRESS IN FY-21

In order to determine and assess the progress made during the planning year on an ongoing basis, the evaluation will show the relationship of funded projects to the planning goals and objectives of the CEDS. This will result in reports which will document progress of the CEDS.

The review of this will be used as an evaluation of the effectiveness in meeting the goals and will be used to adjust the CEDS, as needed. This report will be made available to the public and Board of the Regional Council for decision making adjustments.

Progress for FY-21 is as follows: During this period the Regional Council prepared and submitted eighty-nine (89) funding applications representing \$116,864,513.54 in funding. See the following assessment for recent program evaluation.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Community Facilities and Services

(Neighborhood Improvements, Libraries, Public Safety, Sewer, Water, Solid Waste and Recreational)

Goal

- To provide, where financially and physically feasible in the most effective time-frame possible, adequate sanitary sewer, water and solid waste facilities to meet both the existing needs and the future growth and development needs of the Region I area.
- To provide adequate community facilities and services for each community within the region.
- Ensure that future generations will have the opportunity to enjoy the open space and adequate recreation facilities and services.

Objectives

- Provide technical assistance and procure investments for development of traditional land innovative sanitary water and sewage systems and solid waste collection and disposal systems where there exists an imminent threat to public health as a result of untreated waste and/or contaminated water, or there is a designated growth area, special development opportunity, or rural service center that can feasibly support growth.
- To assist local governments in developing their abilities for planning and development through creation of planning commissions and development authorities.
- To upgrade existing municipal streets and sidewalks and county orphan roads.
- To provide fire and police protection to adequately protect all residents and their property.
- Preserve and reserve land for open space purposes.
- Maintain the existing public recreational facilities and services.
- To develop a Geographic Information System.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Goal

-To encourage industrial/commercial development, tourism and travel growth, which enhance employment opportunities and diversity, resulting in a large tax base needed to support the existing and future community.

Objectives

-To provide for industrial parks, making the most efficient use of land, water facilities, sewage facilities, and minimizing excessive traffic flow patterns.

-To preserve our existing job opportunities throughout the Region I area.

-To encourage the location and expansion of diversified job opportunities for the unemployed and underemployed.

-To encourage future retail, commercial and service enterprises toward existing central business districts.

-To reserve areas of sufficient size which have location and service characteristics unique to industrial and commercial development requirements, thus making the Region I area highly attractive for new industries and resulting job opportunities. Characteristics of primary importance to industrial and commercial development land use are proximity to interchanges, variety of modes of transportation and essential public utilities.

-To organize local development groups throughout the region, including but not limited to, Area Partnership Councils, Economic Task Forces and County Development Authorities.

-To preserve, yet develop, our many national attractions to generate additional tourism and travel to the region.

-To develop a Geographic Information System.

-Analysis of COVID impact; implementation of recovery, resiliency, and diversification efforts

-Analysis of coal loss impact; implementation of recovery, resiliency, and diversification efforts

ENVIRONMENT

Flood Prevention

Goal

-To promote flood control projects where needed.

Objectives

-To assist in short-term flood prevention projects.

-To assist the local governmental entities in developing flood plain management policies.

-To develop a Geographic Information System.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Vocational Education

-To provide vocational education facilities within each county of the region.

Higher Education

-To provide a variety of easily accessible, quality, higher education opportunities which consider present and future professional needs.

-To provide maximum cooperation and coordination between secondary, private, local and regional sectors.

-To provide maximum productivity and efficiency in program and utilization of resources.

Public Education

The goals of public education for the children and youth of the region may be stated as follows:

-To develop skills in reading, spelling, perceiving, speaking, listening, adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing numbers and using reference materials.

-To develop the knowledge of governmental, social and economic systems in order to make informed choices.

-To develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to function successfully in advanced academic and technical training programs and useful occupations.

-To develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to develop self-esteem.

-To develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes related to the creative, visual and performing arts to enrich the quality of their lives and provide an undertaking of their culture and heritage.

-To develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes related to science and technology, rational decision-making and creative problem solving in order to function successfully in a high technology society.

TRANSPORTATION

Goal

-To promote an effective transportation and circulation network that improves the movement of people and goods, protects the environment, facilitates energy conservation, promotes sound development patterns, and is supportive of economic growth.

Objectives

-To enable a well-coordinated system of streets and highways, separating local traffic from industrial traffic, thus to improve the accessibility of transportation to public facilities.

-To help develop large commercial airports to handle the present and future needs of developing areas.

-To encourage the expansion of a passenger rail system.

-To promote an adequate public transportation system in terms of jobs and shopping opportunities for elderly, handicapped, and low-income residents.

-To encourage the utilization of existing and potential tourism parkways throughout the region.

-To develop a Geographic Information System.

-To perform the technical and analytical services for the Fayette/Raleigh Metropolitan Planning Organization.

GOVERNMENT

Goal

- To promote developments that are indicative of our balanced land use strategy and which are compatible with our efforts to minimize air, water and noise pollution.
- Schedule future development based on the availability of required facilities and services.
- Minimize strip development in areas unsuited for it in terms of soil capabilities, slope conditions, or location of development in flood plains.
- Develop a Geographic Information System.
- To analyze COVID-related impacts and disruptions; implement continuity of operations procedures

ENERGY

Goal

-To promote economic prosperity and ensure a safe environment for the region through energy conservation and efficiency, the wise management of traditional energy resources, and the development and use of viable competitive and alternative energy systems.

Objectives

- To develop a Comprehensive Regional Energy Development Plan.
- To develop an energy impact planning capability within the Regional Staff.
- To provide proper management for the siting and improvement process for energy production and generation, especially from our coal resources.
- To utilize hydro-electric production at the Bluestone Dam.
- To develop a Geographic Information System.

HOUSING

Goal

-An adequate amount of decent, safe and sanitary housing in various price ranges so that every person/family has the opportunity to buy or rent decent housing in a suitable living environment.

Objectives

-To plan neighborhoods which will retain long-term livability and be free from blighting factors such as incompatible land use.

-To pursue a program of renovation of existing units, especially for those on social security and those in low-income brackets.

-To eliminate housing discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

-To improve and expand the immediate housing opportunities for all residents of the region in order to alleviate housing shortages.

-To provide the distribution of housing resources, including assisted housing to meet the needs of all citizens in order to provide a choice of housing types, price and location.

-To encourage private developers to increase production and to develop a diversity of housing units at various price ranges throughout the region.

The following **Community Facilities and Services Projects** have been funded in FY21 to address our goals and objectives.

I. **Community Facilities and Services Goals:**

Project: Athens Sidewalks
Applicant: Athens (Town of)
County: Mercer
Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)
\$46,875.00

Project: Coal Mountain Waterline Extension
Applicant: Wyoming County Commission
County: Wyoming
Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
\$1,850,000.00

Project: Mary Branch Waterline Extension
Applicant: Lashmeet PSD
County: Mercer
Other – DWTRF Forgivable Design Loan
\$251,950.00

Project: Gary Emergency Water
Applicant: Gary (City of)
County: McDowell
Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
\$150,000.00

Project: McDowell County PSD: Iaeger Regional Sewer Phase I
Applicant: McDowell County PSD
County: McDowell
Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
\$1,500,000.00

Project: McDowell County PSD: Iaeger Regional Sewer Phase I
Applicant: McDowell County PSD
County: McDowell
Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC)
\$900,000.00

Project: Raleigh Co. PSD, Upgrade - Capacity Development Project
Applicant: Raleigh County PSD
County: Raleigh

Economic Development Administration (EDA)
\$2,900,000.00

Project: Water Treatment Plant Upgrade
Applicant: Eastern Wyoming PSD
County: Wyoming
AML Pilot
\$2,200,000.00

Project: Pineville Water System Upgrades
Applicant: Pineville (Town of)
County: Wyoming
Local
\$25,000.00

Project: Center PSD Phase II Rockview Sewer Extension
Applicant: other
County: Wyoming
Local
\$40,000.00

Project: Bradshaw Water System Upgrade
Applicant: McDowell County PSD
County: McDowell
Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC)
\$16,303.00

Project: Gary Water Source Feasibility Study
Applicant: Gary (City of)
County: McDowell
Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC)
\$20,000.00

Project: White Oak Waterline Extension
Applicant: Raleigh County Commission
County: Raleigh
AML Pilot
\$300,000.00

Project: City of Bluefield Spot Demolition Project
Applicant: Bluefield (City of)
County: Mercer
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
\$250,000.00

Project: Jumping Branch - Nimitz PSD Broomstraw/Mark Meador Rd Water
Applicant: Summers County Commission
County: Summers
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
\$1,663,158.00

II. **Economic Development Goals:**

Region I understands that economic development is vital to the success of the region. To that end, Region I assists (either directly or indirectly) with multiple economic development applications and planning continually.

Project: EDA EDD
Applicant:
County: Region I
Economic Development Administration (EDA)
\$400,000.00

Project: Revolving Loan Fund
Applicant:
County: Region I
Economic Development Administration (EDA)
\$550,000.00

Project: RCMA, Airport Industrial Park Site Preparation Project
Applicant: Raleigh County Memorial Airport
County: Raleigh
Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
\$1,750,000.00

III. **Environmental Goals:**

Region I has experienced multiple federally designated natural hazard events over the past decade. Region I PDC is currently completing the regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as well as assisting multiple communities with applications to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Project: Mullens Slide House HMGP
Applicant: Mullens (City of)
County: Wyoming
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
\$103,975.00

IV. **Human Resources/Education:**

Region I realizes the need for continued education and professional development. To that end Region I utilizes local educational resources whenever possible.

V. **Transportation Goals:**

Region I realizes the importance of adequate transportation infrastructure and services. Region I has assisted in acquiring funding for multiple transportation studies throughout its tenure. Most recently, the Region has supported the development of the Fayette/Raleigh Metropolitan Planning Organization. Region I also assisted the newly-formed New River Transit Authority with the commencement of its operations.

Fayette/Raleigh MPO: \$81,234.85

VI. **Energy Goals:**

The Region administered the recently-completed Energy Efficiency Block Grant throughout its six-county territory and continues to participate in energy efficiency project development.

VII. **Housing Goals:**

Region I has assisted various county and municipal agencies with meeting local housing needs. Extension of water and sewer to many previously unserved communities is a major factor in improving housing needs within the Region.

VIII. **Government Goals:**

The Region regularly aids member communities with a myriad of assistance in local and community projects.

Project: EDA EDD

Applicant:

County: Region I

Economic Development Administration (EDA)

\$70,000.00

Project: Monroe County Courthouse Facilities Improvements 2020

Applicant: Monroe County Commission

County: Monroe

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority (CFIA)

\$72,037.00

Project: Wyoming County Courthouse Facilities Improvements 2020
Applicant: Wyoming County Commission
County: Wyoming
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority (CFIA)

Project: McDowell County Courthouse Facilities Improvements 2020
Applicant: McDowell County Commission
County: McDowell
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority (CFIA)
\$99,000.00

Project: Summers Co. Courthouse - Courthouse Facilities
Applicant: Summers County Commission
County: Summers
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority (CFIA)
\$85,200.00

Project: ARC Planning Grant 2021
Applicant:
County: Region I
Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
\$84,074.00

REGIONAL PROJECTS LISTING

2021 marked the first year of an online platform that enabled communities to enter their respective projects into a regional project listing. The first component of the survey polls the community for their “Category Priority Ranking”, asking them to rank their priorities for the following overall categories:

- Community Facilities and Services
- Economic Development
- Human Resources
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Transportation
- Housing
- Energy
- Government

The second part of the survey polls communities for specifics of their anticipated projects. Accommodations in the survey are made to accept the following information:

- Project Category
- Project Name
- Estimated Cost
- Is Service Currently Provided?
- Number of Persons Benefitting?
- Amount of Funding Committed

The survey also allows communities to add additional comments, as well as to upload their respective approved formal resolutions adopting the outlined projects as their desired project list. The Region will continue to utilize this improved methodology as it increases data entry efficiency and expedites generation of the Regional Project Listing.

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Bramwell

Date: April 14, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> Dams Green Project - Upgrade two water impoundments	\$0		0	\$0 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Sidewalk Repair	\$			Local
<i>Economic Development</i> "No Specific Project Named"	\$			Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Tourism Promotion	\$			Local
Historic Preservation	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Northfork

Date: April 23, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
4	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
3	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
6	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
7	Energy
8	Government
5	Housing
2	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Northfork

Date: April 23, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Phase 2 ater	\$6.6	Yes	1,506.6	\$6.6 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Sewer System	\$7	No	150	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Demolitiion	\$250	No	150	0 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> New sidewalks and storme drains	\$500	No	150	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Cell Service	\$50	No	150	0 Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Bradshaw

Date: April 15, 2021

<i>PROJECT CATEGORY</i> PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Town Hall Elevation	\$0	Yes		\$ Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Princeton

Date: April 12, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
2	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
1	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
5	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
4	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
3	Energy
8	Government
6	Housing
7	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Princeton

Date: April 12, 2021

<i>PROJECT CATEGORY</i> PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Rogers Street Storm Water Project	\$320,000	new drainage piping and drop inlets needed to address street flooding	6,200	\$150,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Demolition Program - City Wide	\$350,000	annually budget 30,000 for demoliti ons	6,200	30,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> City Wide Facade Grant Program	\$100,000	Yes	6,200	10,000 Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: McDowell County Commission

Date: April 12, 2021

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<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
2	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
5	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
7	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
6	Energy
8	Government
3	Housing
4	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: McDowell County Commission

Date: April 12, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Coalwood Sewer Project	\$7,000,000	No		\$ Local
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> Elkhorn Water	\$6,371,000	Yes		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Jolo Water	\$3,224,800			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Berwind Treatment Plant	\$288,000	Yes		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Anawalt Water System	\$3,300,000	Yes		Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Iaeger Sewer	\$6,400,000			Local
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> Elkhorn Clean Streams	\$120,000			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Caretta Yukon	\$5,170,000			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Havaco Wilcoe Sewer	\$1,000,000			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Capels Sewer Project	\$1,000,000			Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Countywide Demolition	\$1,000,000			Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Berwind Lake Development	\$1,000,000			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Countywide Sewer	\$5,000,000			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Regional Broadband	\$2,000,000			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Wyoming County Commission

Date: April 15, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Center PSD Sewer PH. II	\$0			\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Dilapidated Structures Mapping	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Monroe County Commission

Date: April 21, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Courtroom/Courthouse	\$0	Yes		\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Gap Mills/ Moncove Lake Water Extension	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Broadband	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Little Rich Creek Valley Water Project	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Red Sulphur Water Project	\$			Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Law Enforcement	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Tie in various Red Sulphur PSD water Extension projects	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Mercer County Commission

Date: April 14, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
2	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
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3	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
6	Energy
8	Government
5	Housing
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COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Mercer County Commission

Date: April 14, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Economic Development</i> Cumberland Industrial Park Gas Line & Site Preparation	\$0	No		\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Matoaka Sewer Project	\$0	Yes		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Route 19/Nubbins Ridge/Stovall Ridge/Camp Creek Water Project	\$0	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Pinnacle Water Project	\$0	No		Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Broadband for All of Mercer County	\$0	Partial		Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Browning Lambert Mountain Water Project	\$0	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Oakvale Road Public Service District Miscellaneous Sewer Extension	\$0	No		Local
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> Bluestone River Trails	\$0	No		Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Athens

Date: April 12, 2021

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1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
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8	Government
4	Housing
3	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Athens

Date: April 12, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Town Hall	\$500,000	Yes	4,000	\$150,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Water line and plant upgrades	\$1,000,000	Yes	4,000	100,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Dog Park	\$45,000	No	4,000	10,000 Local
<i>Transportation</i> Side walk improvements	\$250,000	Partial	4,000	20,000 Local
<i>Housing</i> Housing rehabilitation	\$1,000,000	No	300	0 Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Peterstown

Date: March 17, 2021

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<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
3	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
4	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
5	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
7	Energy
8	Government
6	Housing
2	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Summers County Commission

Date: March 24, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
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3	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
8	Energy
8	Government
7	Housing
6	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Summers County Commission

Date: March 24, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Broomstraw Water	\$4,000,000	No	172	\$25,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Madams Creek Water	\$3,900,000	No	280	25,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Sandstone/Meadow Creek Water	\$6,000,000	No	150	0 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Summers County Broadband (want it rated right below the water projects)	\$4,000,000	No	14,000	25,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Forest Hill Water	\$8,000,000	No	200	0 Local

<i>Economic Development</i> Great Eastern/Mary Ingles Trail build out	\$2,000,000	No	140,000	1,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> John Henry Historical Park Development	\$300,000	No	100,000	1,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Complete New River Parkway Authority Construction	\$67,000,000 0	No	1,000,000	0 Local
<i>Housing</i> Improve Community Image through rehabilitation or removal of blighted properties	\$	No		Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Establish county industrial and technology park	\$			Local

<i>Energy</i> Power generation at Bluestone Dam	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> River Ridge Water	\$			Local
<i>Transportation</i> Establish Park and Ride area	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Bluefield

Date: April 12, 2021

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<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
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7	Energy
8	Government
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4	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Bluefield

Date: April 12, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Economic Development</i> Project Omnis	\$30,000,000	No	300	\$ Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Exit 1 Development	\$2,000,000	No		Local
<i>Energy</i> Alternative Energy Projects	\$			Local
<i>Human Resources</i> Workforce Development	\$100,000			Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Bluefield Commercialization Station Phase II	\$1,000,000	Yes		Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> John Nash Blvd Gas Line Expansion	\$2,500,000	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Broadband/PoP @ Exit 1	\$200,000	No		Local
<i>Economic Development</i> John Nash Development	\$	No		Local
<i>Transportation</i> Thoroughbred Bulk Transfer Facility	\$	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Union Street Storm Water Project	\$	Yes		Local
<i>Human Resources</i> Remote Working Program	\$100,000	No		Local

<i>Economic Development</i> Downtown Renovation Project	\$10,000,000			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
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PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Wyoming County Commission

Date: April 12, 2021

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| 1 | Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste) |
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| | Energy |
| | Government |
| | Housing |
| | Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation) |

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Wyoming County Commission

Date: April 12, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Broadband	\$15,000,000	Partial		\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Upper Huff Waterline Extension	\$	extension		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Coal Mountain Water	\$	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Hanover Water	\$	No		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Eastern Wyoming PSD	\$	Yes		Local

<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Pineville to Brenton Waterline Extension	\$	Municipal Extension		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Upgrade Oceana Water System	\$	Partial		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Center PSD Phase 1 and Phase 2 Sewer Projects	\$	upgrade and extension		Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Mullens Sewer Upgrade	\$	Extension		Local
<i>Government</i> Courthouse Elevator Upgrade	\$	Partial		Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Barkers Creek Industrial Park	\$	Partial		Local

<i>Economic Development</i> Expansion of John D Rockefeller Industrial Park	\$	Yes		Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Regional

Date: April 15, 2021

<i>PROJECT CATEGORY</i> PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> Coal Research	\$0			\$ Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Mercer County Commission

Date: April 15, 2021

<i>PROJECT CATEGORY</i> PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Economic Development</i> Blue Prince Project Development	\$0			\$ Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Hinton

Date: April 21, 2021

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COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Hinton

Date: April 21, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> CSO long term control plan	\$4,000,000	Yes	14,000	\$3,000,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> River access improvements	\$3,000,000	Yes	30,000	50,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Warehouse district revitalization	\$5,000,000	Partial	30,000	400,000 Local
Elimination of Blighted areas	\$500,000	Yes	3,000	50,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Streetscape	\$1,000,000	Yes	3,000	40,000 Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Gary

Date: April 16, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
4	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
1	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
2	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
2	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
1	Energy
1	Government
1	Housing
1	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Gary

Date: April 16, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Gary Alternative Water Source	\$250,000		500	\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> City of Gary Sewer Improvements	\$1,000,000		500	Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Kimball

Date: April 15, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Park Development	\$0			\$ Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Raleigh County Commission

Date: April 15, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Transportation</i> RCMA - Airport Rail	\$0			\$ Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Sandstone Sewer	\$			Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> Cool Ridge/Flat Top PSD - Ellison Ridge/Joe Cooper Rd Water	\$			Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Beckley

Date: March 17, 2021

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<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
2	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
1	Economic Development (travel and tourism, industrial development, small business development)
3	Environment and Natural Resources (flood prevention, land use)
4	Human Resources (health, education, child development, aging)
7	Energy
6	Government
5	Housing
8	Transportation (air, rail, highway, water, public transportation)

COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Beckley

Date: March 17, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Economic Development</i> DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT	\$400,000	Partial	500,000	\$100,000 Local
<i>Community Facilities & Service</i> CONTINUING RECRUITMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS	\$400,000	Yes	100,000	150,000 Local
<i>Environmental and Natural Resources</i> TRAIL EXPANSION, DUMP REHAB, STORM WATER ISSUES	\$2,000,000	Yes	500,000	100,000 Local
<i>Human Resources</i> UPGRADE FREEDOM AND CENTRAL PARK	\$100,000	Yes	200,000	100,000 Local

<i>Housing</i> CONTINUE DEMO OF DILAPIDATED HOUSING	\$41,000	Yes	5,000	41,000 Local
<i>Government</i> RELOCATION OF SANITARY BOARD, CONTINUATION OF ANNEXATION EFFORTS	\$7,000,000	Yes	4,000	2,000,000 Local
<i>Energy</i> SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE ENERGY EFFORTS	\$50,000	No	100,000	50,000 Local
<i>Transportation</i> TRANSPORTATION	\$100,000	Yes	100,000	100,000 Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Name of Community: Raleigh County Commission

Date: March 31, 2021

Please rank these categories in priority order 1 - 8 as they relate to your community.

<u>RANK 1 - 8</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1	Community Facilities & Service (water, sewer, neighborhood improvements, libraries, recreation, public safety, solid waste)
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COMMUNITY PROJECT REVISIONS

Name of Community: Raleigh County Commission

Date: March 31, 2021

PROJECT CATEGORY PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED COST	IS SERVICE PROVIDED NOW	NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING	AMOUNT OF FUNDING COMMITTED
<i>Economic Development</i> Regional Broadband for areas in the county that need upgrades to their current broadband speeds	\$643,999	Yes		\$0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Harper-Eccles Sewer	\$8,917,398	No	375	7,600,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> North Beckley PSD Sewer Plant Upgrade	\$12,910,000	Yes	3,873	9,647,398 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Cool Ridge Flat Top PSD - White Oak Waterline	\$1,799,351	No	75	2,300,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i>				

March Fork Sewer - Glen Daniel to Fairdale	\$15,500,000	Partial	397	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Bradley PSD - West Raleigh Sewer	\$13,487,268	No	176	50,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Raleigh County PSD - Maple Meadow Water Treatment Plant & Service Upgrade	\$15,000,000	Yes	6,856	50,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Coal City Sewer	\$18,416,000	811 Existing, 440 New	1,251	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Amigo Sewer	\$1,600,000	No	60	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Rhodell Sewer	\$4,500,000	No	100	1,800,000 Local

<i>Economic Development</i> Rhodell Water	\$2,125,000	No	90	2,125,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Grandview Area Sewer	\$12,000,000	No	750	0 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Clear Fork Trail	\$6,500,000	Partial		6,500,000 Local
<i>Economic Development</i> Raleigh County Memorial Industrial Park Expansion	\$8,362,480	No	640	8,362,480 Local
	\$			Local
	\$			Local

MINUTES OF CEDS COMMITTEE MEETING

REGION I PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
QUARTERLY MEETING
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
APRIL 22, 2021 – 10:00 AM

MINUTES

The Quarterly Meeting of the Region I Planning and Development Council was held on April 22, 2021 by Zoom Video Conference due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Item 1 – *Call to Order* – Chairman David Tolliver called the meeting to order, a quorum present.

Item 2 – *Approval of Minutes of January 21, 2021* – Motion was made to approve the Minutes of January 21, 2021 by Robert Rappold, second by Manuel Cartelle; unanimously approved.

Item 3 – *Approval of Financial Statement* – Motion was made to approve the Financial Statement as presented by Manuel Cartelle, second by Robert Rappold; unanimously approved.

Item 4 – *Executive Committee Report* – Jason Roberts gave a brief report of the Executive Committee Zoom meeting held on April 8, 2021 stating the committee approved Hollifield & Associates for a three year term for auditor and reviewed the FY 2021 Proposed Budget to make recommendation for approval at the April Quarterly Meeting.

Item 5 – *Approval of FY 2022 Budget* – Motion was made to approve the budget for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 as recommended by the Executive Committee, which includes Merit Raises for the executive director and all staff members, by Steve Richman, second by Robert Rappold; unanimously approved.

Item 6 – *Approval of Regional Projects Listing* – Jason Roberts stated that the funding agencies are not requiring projects to be prioritized. Region One set up a portal for communities to submit their projects. Mr. Roberts shared the portal with projects listed to date. He asked that communities get their projects added as soon as possible. He asked that the board approve the list as submitted giving Region One permission to add projects to the list throughout the year. Motion was made to approve the projects listing with Region One adding projects as necessary by Manuel Cartelle, second by Norm Kirkham; unanimously approved.

Item 7 – *Nomination/Election of Officers* – The Nominating Committee members are Manuel Cartelle, Norm Kirkham, and Mike Goode. Mr. Cartelle presented the following recommendations for officers: David Tolliver, Chairman; Mike Goode, Vice-Chairman; Timothy Pike, Treasurer; and Bill Shiflet, Secretary. There were no other nominations from the floor. Manuel Cartelle made a motion to close the floor of nominations and Chairman Tolliver asked for approval of the slate of nominated officers. Motion was made by Manuel Cartelle, second by Rob Rappold; unanimously approved.

Item 8 – *Appointment of HMP Consultant Review Committee* – Jason Roberts stated that a Request for Proposals was advertised for a consultant to update the Region's Hazard Mitigation Plan. Chairman Tolliver approved of Jason's selections to the selection committee: Norm Kirkham, Tim Pike, and Christy Laxton.

Item 9 – *Funding/Application Updates* – Jason Roberts shared a Dashboard staff are using to keep track of funding received and applications submitted. He said that thirty applications estimated at \$25,000,000 had been submitted and six projects totaling \$485,000 had been funded since the January meeting. Mr. Roberts provided deadlines for upcoming application cycles: DOH-TAP NOI May 10th and final deadline June 7th; CDBG-MIT July 6th; and AML-Pilot July 31st.

Item 10 – *MPO Update* – Mr. Roberts provided a brief update on MPO operations. He said that FRMPO working with Burgess & Niple on LRTP and they may be contacting communities for information.

Item 11 – *Broadband/ROC Update* – Chairman Tolliver said that the earlier meeting with ROC was very informative and very appreciative of the information. Working regionally Region 1, 4, Clay Calhoun Roane, opportunity to get \$10 million from Upshur County through AML but need \$5 Million match. Jason has been meeting with communities for contributions and received positive feedback. Significant and if paired with American Rescue Plan funding once in a lifetime opportunity. ROC currently selecting auditor and engineering selections for PoP and General Engineering Services. Chairman Tolliver will sit on the selection committee.

Item 12 – *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Funding* – Mr. Roberts said ARPA is a once in a lifetime funding opportunity and he hoped that communities would not waste the funds but use on projects that will have a regional impact. Senator Manchin and the State Auditor’s Office will be holding sessions in May to provide guidance.

Item 13 – *Old Business* – Norm Kirkham asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of former Summers County Commissioner and long term Region One Board Member, Bill Lightner, who recently passed away.

Item 13 – *New Business* – Jason Robert mentioned that it was time to renew CDs in the next few weeks. Last year when rates bottomed out the CDs were only invested for short-term limits. Jason spoke with the Financial Advisor who said the Federal Reserve doesn’t expect much change in the rates over the next couple years and recommended reinvesting for 12 or 24 months. Jason also recommended reinvesting for 24 months current rates ranging from 0.05% to 0.2%. Chairman Tolliver asked for questions or comments. There were none and Chairman Tolliver called for a motion to approve Jason’s recommendation. Motion was made by Manuel Cartelle, second by Robert Rappold; unanimously approved.

Item 14 – *Adjournment* – Motion for adjournment by Norm Kirkham, second by Steve Richmond; unanimously approved.