



COUNCIL OF INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITIES

2021 CIFA SRF Workshop

Salt Lake City, Utah • October 4, 10:15 – 11:45 am

“To Make Necessary Investments in Water, Sewer and . . .”

Hear how states are using State Fiscal Recovery Funds provided by the American Rescue Plan Act to fund critical water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure projects.

Discussion from Around the Nation

If your state is using the American Rescue Funds for water, wastewater and stormwater, please tell us about it. What are your challenges and concerns? Are communities using their funds on water infrastructure projects? What are the impacts on your SRFs?

Meet the Speakers



Anna Miller, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation

Anna Miller is the Financial Advisor for the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, where she works with State Loan and Grant Programs and the Federal State Revolving Fund program. These programs are used to fund projects for water systems, wastewater, and landfill projects. In addition, she has worked with local governments in Montana to institute uniform double entry accounting systems. Anna has served as the Chair for the State of Montana Local Government Funding Committee, which coordinates issues for state and federal funding agencies. She received her Accounting Degree from the University of Montana. Anna is a former President of the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA) and currently serves as Co-Chair of the CIFA Professional Development Committee.



Deirdre Finn, Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities

Deirdre Finn is Executive Director of the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA). Since 2007, Deirdre has worked as a management consultant and public policy advocate for environmental, educational and emergency management issues. From 2000 - 2007, she worked in Florida state government, serving as deputy chief of staff for Governor Jeb Bush and in various roles at the Department of Environmental Protection. Prior to public service, she worked on campaigns. Deirdre earned a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana.



Jim McGoff, Indiana Finance Authority

Jim McGoff is COO and Director of Environmental Programs of the Indiana Finance Authority. Prior to his current position, Jim served as Director of Environmental Programs and General Counsel for the Authority. Prior to joining State government, Jim was a partner in the Indianapolis law firm Bingham McHale LLP (currently Dentons Bingham Greenbaum Doll, LLP), where he was a member of the firm's public finance practice group, representing the State of Indiana and many Indiana cities and towns with their municipal borrowing needs. He was appointed to the U.S. EPA Environmental Financial Advisory Board in 2016 and was also invited to be a member of the Great Lakes Protection Fund - Advisory Board. He graduated with a degree in Accounting from Indiana University Kelley School of Business and a J.D. from the Indiana University Maurer School of Law. Jim is President of the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA).



Jerry Rouch, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Jerry is the Deputy Director for Infrastructure Funding at Ohio EPA. In his role as Deputy Director, Jerry oversees the Division of Environmental & Financial Assistance (DEFA), including the Office of Financial Assistance, which administers the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, and the Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention, which administers compliance assistance to small businesses, and the Recycling & Litter Prevention Grant Program. Jerry also works across multiple Divisions within Ohio EPA to coordinate and develop new funding programs. Jerry has been with Ohio EPA for over 30 years. Jerry represents EPA Region 5 on the Board of Directors of the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA).