



January 14, 2026

Sara Edwards, President
De Berry Water Supply Corporation
P. O. Box 278
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**SUBJECT: DeBerry Water Supply Corporation (WSC)
Consent to Proceed Prior to Approval
\$999,000 Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG)**

We have reviewed the WSC's January 12, 2025, request to proceed prior to grant closing. The WSC has requested Agency approval to move forward with engineering, design and drilling of two new wells.

Based on the information submitted the agency approves the request to proceed prior to grant closing. This approval is contingent upon Agency approval of the contract documents prior to starting the project.

The Letter of Conditions and grant closing instructions have yet to be issued, so we are unable to move forward with closing the grant for this project. The Agency cannot release any funds until the Letter of Conditions has been met and the grant is closed. The Agency's authorization to proceed is on the condition that it is not committed to making the grant. The Agency assumes no responsibility for any obligations incurred by the applicant. The applicant must subsequently meet all grant approval requirements.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ronda Pietruszka at 903-722-6168, or by email: ronda.pietruszka@usda.gov

Sincerely,

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