



Meeting Date: September 20, 2023
Staff Contact: Marta Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer

TITLE: R-23-30 – Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Submit an Application for Funding for the BIL Lead Service Line Replacement

ACTION: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY:

This Resolution authorizes the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water Authority) to submit an application in the amount of \$1,100,000 to the Drinking Water Bureau for the Lead Service Line Replacement, which will help the Water Authority comply with the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR).

The Water Authority needs to recognize which lines need to be replaced and create a tracking system for service line status and replacement. Within that system, tracking for Schools/Child Care Centers is needed. Once the system is created, information can be provided to crews and contractors to replace the lines. During this time staff/contractor will develop and write the required Lead Service Line Replacement Plan to submit to NMED. They will also complete the data analyses for a desktop corrosion control study reviewing historic data.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Based on the initial review, the project was identified for a below market interest rate of 0% (.25% fee) and 30% principal forgiveness (based on availability). Total proceeds of \$1,100,000 will be used for the following: Recognition of Lead Line: \$800,000 and Replacement Plan \$300,000.

