

<p><b>Agenda Item M-1.</b></p> <p><b>Merger/Regionalization Feasibility Grants</b></p> <p><b>Spring 2022 Application Round</b></p>	<p>The colors in this legend represent the example funding scenario described in the Staff Report.</p>	<div style="background-color: yellow; width: 20px; height: 15px; margin: 0 auto;"></div>	Funded in Viable Utility Reserve	
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						<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$2,590,000</b>					
1	Rutherford County	Rutherford	WK Dickson & Co., Inc.	Rutherfordton-Spindale MRF Study	Yes	\$400,000	\$400,000	14	5	5	4	\$105k for rate study.
2	Stanly County	Stanly	Chambers Engineering Pa	Locust-Stanly County Utility Merger Study	Yes	\$100,000	\$100,000	14	5	5	4	includes \$25k for rate study;
3	Stanly County	Stanly	Chambers Engineering PA	Norwood-Stanly County Merger Study - Wastewater	Yes	\$75,000	\$75,000	14	5	5	4	includes \$25k for rate study;
4	Stanly County	Stanly	Chambers Engineering PA	Norwood-Stanly County Utility Merger Study (Water System)	Yes	\$75,000	\$75,000	12	3	5	4	\$25k for rate study;
5	Pittsboro, Town of	Chatham	HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas	Western Intake Partnership Regionalization Study		\$150,000	\$150,000	10	5	1	4	governance-focused MRF. <del>Recommend awarding a single MRF to Durham (the lead agency).</del>
6	Cape Fear PUA	New Hanover	Cape Fear PUA	MRF: CFPUA and Wrightsville Beach (DW)		\$225,000	\$200,000	7	6	1	0	Applicant is limited to \$400,000 in ARPA study grant in the biennium
7	Cape Fear PUA	New Hanover	Cape Fear PUA	MRF: CFPUA and Wrightsville Beach (WW)		\$225,000	\$200,000	7	6	1	0	Applicant is limited to \$400,000 in ARPA study grant in the biennium
8	Taylorsville, Town of	Alexander	WithersRavenel, Inc.	Water MRF Study		\$90,000	\$90,000	7	4	3	0	
9	Orange Water and Sewer Auth	Orange	HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas	Western Intake Partnership Regionalization Study		\$400,000	\$400,000	7	4	1	2	governance-focused MRF. <del>Recommend awarding a single MRF to Durham (the lead agency).</del>
10	Clarkton, Town of	Bladen	WithersRavenel	MRF - Sewer System Improvements		\$50,000	\$50,000	7	3	2	2	Scope is similar to an AIA with some focus on internal controls and procedures; role of E'town collaboration unclear; did not provide rate sheet
11	Chatham County	Chatham	HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas	Western Intake Partnership Regionalization Study		\$400,000	\$400,000	6	4	0	2	governance-focused MRF. <del>Recommend awarding a single MRF to Durham (the lead agency).</del>
12	Montgomery County	Montgomery	The Wooten Company	Water System Merger Regionalization Study		\$50,000	\$50,000	5	1	0	4	
13	Durham, City of	Durham	HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas	Western Intake Partnership Regionalization Study		\$400,000	\$400,000	4	3	1	0	governance-focused MRF

**Incomplete application (ineligible for consideration)**

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	West Jefferson, Town of	Ashe	High Country Council of Governments	Jefferson/West Jefferson Emergency Water Interconnection Feasibility Study		\$ 55,000		10	5	3	2	Incomplete: No partner letter from Jefferson; includes \$40k for rate study