



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Mark Sanders, P.E., Deputy Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: January 23, 2026

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Agreement with Watershed Watch in Kentucky, Inc.

Request

Request approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with Watershed Watch in Kentucky, Inc. (KWW) to engage and coordinate volunteers who will conduct quarterly water quality monitoring for the 2026 calendar year. The monitoring fulfills a component of LFUCG's monitoring program which is a requirement of the city's Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (KDPES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit.

Purpose of Request

Numerous citizens are keenly interested in the quality of Lexington's creeks and streams and have expressed their desire to participate in collecting the data that is necessary to fulfill the MS4 permit requirements. KWW holds the contact list of volunteers who participate in their monitoring activities and documents the training of the volunteers. The Division of Water Quality desires to engage the volunteers in the monitoring program and can save time and resources by partnering with KWW to execute the volunteer engagement.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost in FY25 is \$5,000.00.

Are the funds budgeted?

Funds are budgeted: 4052-303204-3373-71205

Director / Commissioner:

Martin / Albright

