



## HAVE YOU SCHEDULED YOUR ALCOSAN MUNICIPAL WORKSHOP?

We have extended our municipal workshop schedule into 2023. You can select your preferred workshop date and time and select what topics you would like to discuss: GROW only, Regionalization only, or both GROW and Regionalization by sending an email to: [municipalworkshops@alcosan.org](mailto:municipalworkshops@alcosan.org)

## GROW - AS ONE CYCLE FINISHES, ANOTHER BEGINS

This past September, ALCOSAN's Board of Directors awarded Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW) grants of over \$7 million to 13 source control projects. GROW Cycle 8 officially begins Feb. 1, 2023, when letters of interest (LOIs) will be accepted. Due to construction surrounding the Plant Expansion project, ALCOSAN recommends mail delivery of the LOIs. All LOIs must be postmarked by the March 31, 2023, deadline.

Municipalities are encouraged to attend workshops facilitated by ALCOSAN staff to discuss potential GROW projects. These projects could be used as part of Municipal Consent Order Agreements (COAs). Like past workshops, the goal is to identify impactful GROW projects for Cycle 8.

If you have any questions relating to our GROW program, please send an email to: [GROW@alcosan.org](mailto:GROW@alcosan.org)

We look forward to continued collaboration with our municipalities.

## ALCOSAN SUCCESSFULLY TRANSFERS FIRST PERMIT FOR THE REGIONALIZED TRUNK SEWER LINE T-09 (THOMPSON RUN)

As 2022 draws to a close ALCOSAN's Regionalization program reached an exciting milestone. Our first permit transfer was issued by DEP for seven miles of trunk sewer along Thompson Run in the municipalities of Monroeville, Wilkins Township, Turtle Creek, and Churchill. The momentum continues to build with three additional transfers under review by DEP and four additional applications, ready to be submitted.

Working in tandem with our municipalities, ALCOSAN has also accomplished:

- 212 miles of sewer are ready to transfer with all repairs complete;
- 58 municipalities' DEP records searches completed by ALCOSAN;
- 5 DEP permit transfer applications under review by DEP;
- 12 Transfer Agreements signed by municipalities and sent to ALCOSAN;
- 19 resolutions have been executed by municipalities and provided to ALCOSAN and
- First use of the Post-Closing Repair Agreement to complete the transfer.

We continue to be available to help you complete the transfer process, explore the post-closing repair option as an alternative to making the repairs prior to transfer, and/or collaborate with you on your municipal COA requirements related to Regionalization. Please contact Julia Spicher ([Julia.spicher@alcosan.org](mailto:Julia.spicher@alcosan.org)) for more information about regionalization for your municipality.

Next year promises to be an exciting one for the region. Thank you for your continued participation.

## ALCOSAN WELCOMES TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Pittsburgh City Council President Theresa Kail-Smith and the president of the Allegheny-Fayette Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, Darrin Kelly are the two newest members of ALCOSAN's Board of Directors. Both joined the board as of the October 2022 meeting.

Ms. Kail-Smith was appointed by Pittsburgh Mayor Ed Gainey to complete the term of Allegheny County Controller Corey O'Connor and Mr. Kelly was named by Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald to complete the term of the late Jack Shea.



Theresa Kail-Smith



Darrin Kelly

# ALCOSAN PLANT CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

The Clean Water Plan Continues to Move Forward



June 2022



September 2022

ALCOSAN continues to focus on four different strategies of the Clean Water Plan: • Regionalization • Plant Expansion • Regional Tunnel System • GROW Program/Source Control. Visit our website for recent updates at the plant at <https://www.alcosan.org/clean-water-plan>

## 2023 MUNICIPAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Act 13 grants, made available through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA), will again be available in 2023.

### Grants available are:

Abandoned Mine Drainage Abatement & Treatment Program

Baseline Water Quality Date Program

Flood Mitigation Program

Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program

Orphan or Abandoned Well Plugging Program

Watershed Restoration Protection Program

...and of course, a favorite of our municipal partners, the Sewage Facilities Program (SFP)

SFP is available to municipalities, councils of governments, and other authorized organizations to cover costs associated with the planning work required under Act 537. There is a maximum grant amount of \$100,000 with a 50% funding match from the applicant. Applications will open on February 1, 2023, and close on May 31, 2023. Click the link below for additional information on the SFP and all the other Act 13 grants.

<https://dced.pa.gov/programs-funding/commonwealth-financing-authority-cfa/act-13-programs/>

**Help may be just a call or click away...**

If you, or someone you know, needs assistance paying your sewer bill, ALCOSAN's Clean Water Assistance Fund is available for homeowners who are ALCOSAN customers. Administered by Dollar Energy Fund, the program is open to households with an income at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty guidelines.



For more information, contact Dollar Energy Fund at 1-888-282-6816 or [www.dollarenergy.org](http://www.dollarenergy.org)

### 2023 BOARD MEETING DATES

January 26, 2023	Fourth Thursday
February 23, 2023	Fourth Thursday
March 23, 2023	Fourth Thursday
April 27, 2023	Fourth Thursday
May 18, 2023	Third Thursday
June 22, 2023	Fourth Thursday
July 27, 2023	Fourth Thursday

No Meeting in August

September 28, 2023	Fourth Thursday
October 26, 2023	Fourth Thursday
November 16, 2023	Third Thursday
December 14, 2023	Second Thursday



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ALCOSAN wishes our municipal partners a happy, healthy 2023!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**