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DWS Circular Letter #2021-02

TO: **Small CWS, Certified Operators**

FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief, EHDW

DATE: January 6, 2021

SUBJECT: USDA/AWWA FREE Small Systems Workshop - Cybersecurity and Accessing Funding

The Department of Public Health – Drinking Water Section invites you to participate in an upcoming workshop on Cybersecurity and Funding Opportunities for Small Water Systems. This workshop is free and part of a special workshop series made possible through the collaboration of the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Partnership for Safe Water.

Day 1 – Cyber Security for Small Systems - (1/12/2021- 8:30am-12:00pm)
Day 2 – Conducting a Preliminary Self-assessment
      How to Apply for USDA Funding - (1/13/2021- 8:30am-12:00pm)

More Information: HERE
(https://ctawwa.org/meetinginfo.php?id=178&ts=1609178807)

Register HERE
(https://www.awwa.org/Events/AWWA-Events-Calendar/Meeting-Registration/productId/86675651)

Participants will learn how to recognize cybersecurity threats, how to complete the self-assessment questionnaire, and utilize the AWWA cybersecurity controls for small systems. Based on the cybersecurity self-assessment and cybersecurity controls for small utilities, participants will learn how to identify at-risk areas and how to apply that with USDA to get the funding started. All participants receive dedicated, follow-up technical assistance and helpful documents from AWWA.

Please contact Kyla Jacobsen at kjacobsen@awwa.org with any questions.

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