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**3745-87-02      Applicability and general requirements.**

In order to ensure the long-term viability of public water systems, all public water systems shall demonstrate the managerial, technical, and financial capability of the public water system to comply with this chapter and rules adopted thereunder by October 1, 2018. Demonstration of capability shall be made through a written asset management program that is acceptable to the director.

(A) General requirements for an asset management program include the following:

- (1) New public water systems shall submit an acceptable asset management program prior to operation.
- (2) Public water systems applying for a water supply revolving loan account (WSRLA) loan shall submit an acceptable asset management program prior to receiving a WSRLA loan. The asset management program shall address any deficiencies noted in a capability screening.
- (3) For existing public water systems other than those receiving a loan, the director may request the existing systems to submit an asset management program based on the results of a capability screening. An acceptable asset management program meeting all of the requirements of this rule, shall be submitted in accordance with a schedule prescribed by the director.

(B) The director shall determine the form and manner that the asset management program will be submitted and reviewed based on the size and the scope of the asset management program.

(C) A written description of an asset management program submitted to the director shall be treated as an infrastructure and security record and be exempt from the public record provisions of Chapter 149.43 and 149.433 of the Revised Code and is not subject to mandatory release or disclosure under that section.