

### **151.601 County and multicounty water management planning councils.**

- (1) Water management planning councils shall be established for each county with the assistance of the appropriate area development district. Two (2) or more counties may form a multicounty water management planning council. The planning councils shall, as a minimum, be comprised of the following:
  - (a) Each county judge/executive or mayor of an urban-county government, or his or her authorized representative;
  - (b) One (1) representative selected by each community public water system, as defined in 401 KAR 8:010 sec. 1(71)(a), that provides water to persons in the county;
  - (c) One (1) representative selected by a local health department in the county; and
  - (d) One (1) representative selected by each city with a population equal to or greater than one thousand (1,000) based upon the most recent federal decennial census that is not a water supplier or distributor, unless that city chooses to be represented by another member of the planning council.
- (2) If, after the water management planning council appointments have been made, a county judge/executive or mayor of an urban-county government determines that any areas of the county or urban county government remain unrepresented on the planning council, the county judge/executive or mayor of the urban-county government may appoint an individual to represent that area.
- (3) The county judge/executive or mayor of an urban-county government or the county judge/executive or the mayor's designated representative shall serve as the chair of the water management planning council of which either the county judge/executive or the mayor is a member.
- (4) Members of the water management planning councils shall serve without pay but may be reimbursed by counties or appointing agencies for reasonable expenses incurred to carry out the work of the councils.
- (5) The area development districts shall develop a forum for the chairpersons of the water management planning councils or multicounty planning councils to meet on at least a quarterly basis for the purpose of developing regional service strategies consistent with the findings and purpose set out in KRS 224A.300.

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**Legislative Research Commission Note** (6/29/2023). 2023 Ky. Acts ch. 179, which amended this statute, removed all references to "2020" from the phrase "2020 water management planning council" except for one that was overlooked. It is clear from the context that all references to "2020" were to have been removed, and the Reviser of Statutes has corrected this manifest clerical or typographical error in codification under the authority of KRS 7.136.