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### Division of Water Awarded Dam Safety Homeland Security Grant

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 27, 2017)** - A \$200,000 grant has been awarded to the Kentucky Division of Water by the U.S. Department for Homeland Security Science & Technology Directorate for a pilot project to develop instrumentation monitoring and flood warning systems for dams.

The initial project focus is to research flood warning and instrumentation monitoring activities that are being conducted at dam locations throughout the country, determine the systems that are most applicable to Kentucky dams and develop a Kentucky-specific implementation plan for deployment.

A second round of funding is anticipated in 2018 to execute the implementation plan on a state-owned dam. Future funding opportunities will be determined by the outcomes of the first two years of research and implementation.

“We are enthusiastic to form a partnership with DHS to promote flood warning and technological advances that will eventually make all of Kentucky’s dams safer,” said Peter Goodmann, Director, Kentucky Division of Water.

Final details of the grant award, implementation, and time frame will be determined with Homeland Security over the next 30 days.

Additional information is available at <http://eec.kentucky.gov>

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