## **REGIONAL WATER PLANNING: FUNDING IMPLEMENTATION**Leigh Elkins

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When Georgia launched its Regional Water Planning efforts in 2009, the work of the each Council was supported by state funds and federal grants. The plans for each region, now being updated, include myriad recommendations to address water quality and quantity issues (and opportunities) but have little to no funding explicitly dedicated to their implementation. A number of Councils and Council members have developed their own ideas for funding their efforts. This presentation will provide a brief review of the past and current mechanisms to fund water planning and explore those proposals have been introduced to support plan implementation.

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