



Proposition 84 2015 IRWM Implementation Grant Solicitation

Public Comment Meetings – Draft Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package
Sacramento, April 17
Chino, April 22



Agenda

- Funding
- Updates to Guidelines and PSP
- 2015 Solicitation Schedule
- Questions
- Public Comments

Webcast Participants, email questions/comments to:
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Drought Legislation (2014) Senate Bills 103 and 104

- Appropriated remaining \$472.5 million in Proposition 84 IRWM funds, includes:
 - \$221.1 Million awarded for drought projects in 2014
 - \$19.8 Million to "backfill" Round 2 Implementation Grant awards
- Remaining Balance for 2015 Solicitation is \$231.6

Proposition 84 IRWM Remaining Balances

Funding Area	Remaining Balance
North Coast	\$11,047,939
San Francisco	\$41,305,435
Central Coast	\$4,937,014
LA-Ventura	\$40,039,355
Santa Ana	\$64,267,686
San Diego	\$38,834,904
Sacramento	\$10,129,278
San Joaquin	\$6,674,438
Tulare/Kern	\$4,054,299
Lahontan	\$6,116,807
Colorado River	\$4,175,000
TOTALS	\$ 231,582,158

- ### Documents Released
- Grant Program Guidelines
 - Limited changes to the guidelines
 - No changes to IRWM Plan Standards
 - Incorporated "new" requirements
 - Effective or enacted since issuance of 2014 Guidelines
 - Removed 2014 Drought Legislation project type eligibility requirements
 - Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP)
 - Some changes, but very similar to 2014 Drought PSP

- ### Guidelines "New" Requirements
- AB 52 CEQA (takes effect July 1, 2015)
 - CEQA Lead Agency to consider project effects on tribal cultural resources and to conduct consultation with California Native American tribes
 - AB 1739 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
 - Projects located in a high or medium priority groundwater basin without a Groundwater Management Plan by January 1, 2015 are not eligible
 - SBx7-7 Sustainable Water Use and Demand Reduction
 - 2015 Gallons Per Capita per Day reduction targets



Guidelines Notable Changes

- Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)
 - Projects benefitting DACs do not need to be included in adopted IRWM Plan
 - Update of DAC threshold values (\$48,875)
 - New DAC mapping tool
http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/resources_dac.cfm
 - Additional DAC waiver guidance
- CASGEM
 - Applicants and Project Proponents must be CASGEM Compliant by application due date
- IRWM Plan Review Process (PRP)
 - Applicants must have an adopted plan that has gone through DWR's PRP by application due date
 - Currently 42 of 48 IRWM regions have a PRP adopted plan



PSP Changes 2015 vs. 2014 Drought

- Back to traditional IRWM Project Eligibility
 - Projects not limited to Drought Project
- All electronic submittal via GRANTS
- Detailed Work Plan and Budget are required
 - No Acknowledgement Form
- Similar scoring criteria and process
 - No narrative evaluation
 - Individual projects will be evaluated
 - Removed Proposal Level Questions related to Drought Impacts and Water Conservation
 - Replaced with Project Level Long-Term Drought Preparedness Question



PSP Changes for DACs 2015 vs. 2014 Drought

- Not less than 10% (~\$23M) of funding to go towards DAC Projects (Statewide)
 - Also includes regional projects that include DACs within project boundary
 - Can be based on population or geography
- Preliminary activities for projects that will ultimately provide a water-related benefit to a DAC are eligible
 - Not required to have construction/ implementation component in application
 - Projects also have slightly different evaluation requirements
- Points available to projects that provide a direct water-related benefit to a DAC

PSP
Cost Reimbursement

- Costs Reimbursement
 - Costs incurred after January 1, 2015
- Funding Match
 - Costs incurred after January 1, 2011
- Maximum Grant Amount
 - Maximum award per applicant equals the funding area's remaining balance (Table 1)

Review and Scoring Process

- Series of Y/N questions
- Proposal Level Questions
 - Maximum Proposal Level Score = 7
- Project Level Questions
 - Maximum Points Available per Project = 22
 - Project Level Score = Total Project Points/# of Projects
- Program Preferences Tie-Breaker
 - Only awarded in event of a tie within funding area
 - Max. Tie-Breaker Points = 4
- Total Score = Proposal + Project + Tie-Breaker

2015 Solicitation Schedule

- Public Workshops
 - April 17 - Sacramento
 - April 22 - Chino
- April 24 - Public Comments Due
- Late May - DWR releases Final Guidelines and PSP
- August 7, 2015 - Application due
 - 50 days after release of final documents
- Late October - DWR announces draft funding recommendations
- By end of 2015 - Final Awards



Question and Answer

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Public Comments

Comments due April 24 by 5 p.m.
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