

SCOPING QUESTION 1

What type of projects should be given higher priority?

- A. Of the considerations required in evaluating projects, should some be weighted more than others?

Projects need to establish a “threat” meaning that there needs to be a scientific analysis of impending contamination or loss of groundwater available for drinking water supplies. With this funding, you can weigh projects more than could increase drinking water supplies immediately as to those more directed for future use.

DAC communities should have more weight when they can specifically identify source contamination.

Regional Boards need to weigh in on regional needs and sources.

B. Should projects that address certain contaminants be given higher priority than others?

Yes, poisoning of people, birds, wildlife and animals count.

C. Should projects that propose short-term solutions, whether due to emergency or non-emergency; ongoing operations and maintenance; or permanent solutions be prioritized differently?

Emergency situations should be given priority. Ongoing operations and maintenance should be addressed in this type of funding-at least for a reasonable period of time to identify other funding sources for O & M.

D. Should the timing of project completion compared with the timeline for project benefits be prioritized differently?

Yes, they can be on a site-specific contamination site. If there are several sources of contamination, the solution can be incorporated on a timeline based on the reality of funding. Not ever answer should cost millions and millions of dollars when public education or awareness may resolve an issue.

SCOPING QUESTION 2

2. What kind of limits should there be on grant funding amounts?

Regional Boards will need to share or realize another region need the priority. Limits should be based on the reliability of drinking water, no matter where in the State. This

funding should augment with no requirement for a local match. Lack of sufficient financial resources is addressed in this legislation.

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