Get To Know Us…

California's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

The Water Boards’ Division of Financial Assistance administers the CWSRF Program. The CWSRF helps communities prevent pollution of precious water resources to maintain their beneficial uses.

Since its inception in 1989, the CWSRF has provided below-market rate financing for the construction of wastewater treatment and water recycling facilities, for implementation of nonpoint source and storm drainage pollution control solutions, and for the development and implementation of estuary plans to protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of all Californians.

The Division also provides financial assistance through other funding programs to fulfill the State Water Board’s Mission:

To preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California’s water resources, and ensure their proper allocation and efficient use for the benefit of present and future generations.

For information on all of the Water Boards’ funding programs, please visit the Division's website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/
Below-Market Water Quality Financing

Eligible Applicants

- Any city, town, district, or other public body created under state law
- A Native American tribal government or an authorized Native American tribal organization having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes or other waste
- Any designated and approved management agency under Section 208 of the Clean Water Act
- 501(c)(3)'s and National Estuary Programs

Eligible Projects

- Planning, Design and/or Construction of publicly-owned facilities including:
  - Wastewater treatment plants
  - Sewer collectors and interceptors
  - Combined sewers
  - Septic to sewer conversions
  - Storm water reduction and treatment
  - Water reclamation facilities
- Planning, Design and/or Implementation of:
  - Nonpoint source (NPS) projects or programs
  - Estuary conservation and management plans

How to Apply

Complete and submit an application online through the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST) at https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov.

The application is also available on the CWSRF website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/srf_forms.shtml or by calling (916) 327-9978.

In lieu of FAAST, applications may be submitted via email, CD, or hardcopy to:

CleanWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov or
State Water Resources Control Board
CWSRF Marketing Unit
1001 I Street, 17th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Funding Terms

- **Financing Limit:** NO maximum funding limit!
- **Interest Rate:** ½ most recent State General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval
- **Financing Term:** Up to 30 years or useful life of the project
- **Repayment:** Begins one year after completion of construction
- Limited principal forgiveness may also be available for some projects

When to Apply

ANYTIME! There is no application deadline.

Be a Frequent Financer!

The CWSRF values its repeat customers and makes it easier to finance multiple projects in your Capital Improvement Plans!

- General documents applicable to all projects are saved to reduce paperwork duplication.
- Once your agency has established multi-year financing capability, limited financial documents are required for further borrowing.
- Applications are assigned to the same Project Manager whenever possible.

Additional Information

For more information and program updates, please visit the CWSRF website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/index.shtml

Questions?

We are here to help! If you have any questions, please contact the CWSRF at (916) 327-9978 or CleanWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov.