
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT, BOARD WORKSHOP, AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF THE STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND INTENDED USE PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept public comments on the draft State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024-25 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Intended Use Plan (IUP) with Supplemental IUPs.

Public written comments must be submitted no later than **12:00 noon on July 24, 2024**. Public written comments must be submitted per the procedures in the “Submission of Comments” section of this public notice.

NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Board will hold a Board Workshop to provide an overview of the DWSRF IUP with Supplemental IUPs and receive public input regarding the draft IUPs.

Tuesday, July 16, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

And via Video and Teleconference (For public commenters)

NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Board will consider the adoption of the proposed DWSRF IUP at its regularly scheduled Board meeting on:

Tuesday, August 20, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

And via Video and Teleconference (For public commenters)

Video and Teleconference Option: These meetings will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option for the public to participate from a remote location.

- For those who only wish to watch the meetings, the webcast remains available at either <https://www.youtube.com/user/BoardWebSupport/> or <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/> (closed captioning available) and should be used **UNLESS** you intend to comment.

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- For members of the public who wish to comment on an agenda item or are presenting to the Board, additional information about participating telephonically or via the remote meeting solution will be available at least 10 days before the meeting: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/

Any person desiring to receive future notices about changes to the date, time, location, or format of the public meetings should sign up for the Lyris e-mail list, as described below under “Future Notices” (page 3).

BACKGROUND

The DWSRF IUPs outline the State Water Board’s business plan for administering the DWSRF¹ and its complementary funding for the state fiscal year. The IUPs specifically identify the available funding, the types of projects eligible for financing, the criteria for selecting projects, fundable lists of projects under the program, the associated financing terms, certain technical assistance funding, drinking water set-asides, the financial status of the programs, and the measures that will be used to track the programs’ performance.

The DWSRF program provides low-cost financing to public water systems statewide to address drinking water quality and capacity issues. It also subsidizes a portion of California’s public water system supervision program under the Division of Drinking Water. Small Community Grant Drinking Water (SCG DW) funds complement the DWSRF program, focusing on small DACs and small SDACs.

The draft SFY 2024-25 DWSRF IUP will also include draft Supplemental IUPs for SRF funds appropriated through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), including Emerging Contaminants funding and Lead Service Line Replacement funding, as well as a draft Supplemental IUP for funds previously received from the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2019 (ASADRA). Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) Grant will complement DWSRF Emerging Contaminants funding and is included in the DWSRF Emerging Contaminants Supplemental IUP.

The IUPs are required by federal statutes and regulations and will be included in the applications submitted to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for the FFY 2024 Capitalization Grants. The IUPs also serve as guidelines for SCG DW Funding, which includes funding provided by the Budget Act of 2021, Proposition 1, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014; and Proposition 68, the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for all Act of 2018.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Draft DWSRF IUP, including supplemental IUPs, is available for review on the State Water Board’s website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.html

¹ See 42 U.S.C. § 300j-12 et seq., 40 C.F.R part 35, subpart L, and Health & Saf. Code, § 116760 et seq.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

To ensure a productive and efficient Board Meeting, the Board may limit the time for oral comments. For recommendations regarding presentations to the Board, please go to: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.shtml

If the Board adopts the DWSRF IUP, the adopted IUP will be submitted to the USEPA as part of the Board's applications for FFY 2024 Capitalization Grants.

WEBCAST INFORMATION

Live video and audio broadcasts of the Board Meeting, for attendees solely interested in watching and not participating in the Board Meeting, will be available via the Internet and can be accessed at the CalEPA Public Meeting Live Webcasts page (<https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>).

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

The State Water Board will accept both written and oral comments on the proposed SFY 2024-25 DWSRF IUP. Written comments should be submitted as early as possible to ensure thorough staff analysis. Please use the subject line "**Comment Letter – August 20, 2024, Board Meeting – DWSRF IUP.**" Written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on July 24, 2024** and should be addressed to:

Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comment letters in pdf less than 15 megabytes may be emailed to the Clerk to the Board at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. If the electronic comment letter is greater than 15 megabytes, it may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620. Couriers delivering hard copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Ms. Tyler at (916) 341-5611.

At the Board Meeting, commenters will be given an opportunity to make oral comments or to summarize and supplement orally previously submitted written materials. If you would like to provide oral comments, please follow the remote participation guidelines available at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/#provide_comments.

FUTURE NOTICES

Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the proposed DWSRF IUP including any changes to the location, date or time of the Board Meeting for the adoption of the IUP, should sign up for the e-mail subscription list as follows:

- (1) Access the State Water Board email subscription web page http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html
- (2) Click the "Financial Assistance (Grants & Loans)" tab
- (3) Check the box for "Drinking Water State Revolving Fund"
- (4) Fill in the required signup details, and

(5) Press the "Subscribe" button

ACCESSIBILITY

The meetings will be offered in English. To request other language interpretation or other accommodation, please submit your request at least 7 business days before the Board Workshop by contacting OPP-LanguageServices@waterboards.ca.gov. If you have limitations hearing or speaking, you may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 (teletypewriter) or (800) 735-2922 (voice).

For directions to the Joe Serna, Jr. (CalEPA) Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board Web site:
<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/location>

All visitors to the CalEPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located just inside the main entrance (10th Street entrance). Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information about the Workshop can be found at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/

For questions regarding the Workshop, please contact Mr. Marques Tamanaha at Marques.Tamanaha@waterboards.ca.gov

Please direct questions about this notice to Ms. Stephanie White at Stephanie.White@waterboards.ca.gov or DrinkingWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov

Date June 24, 2024



Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board