### Webinar

# Drinking Water Technical Assistance Provider Request for Qualifications SAFER Drinking Water Program

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is holding a webinar for entities interested in becoming qualified Drinking Water Technical Assistance (TA) Providers. The webinar will provide an overview of the State Water Board's TA funding program, provide information on how to complete and submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ), review the funding process for qualified TA providers, and answer questions.

## Drinking Water TA Provider Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Webinar:

Date: Weds., March 23, 2022 Time: 9:00- 11:00 AM PST Register: <u>bit.ly/TARFQ</u>

# Who should submit an SOQ:

Eligible Drinking Water TA Providers can include various entity types, including but not limited to non-profits, universities, and private consulting firms, whom the State Water Board has determined are competent to assist a water system by providing administrative, technical, operational, legal, or managerial services.

Note that eligible entities already receiving funding for Drinking Water TA work prior to the implementation of the RFQ process will be required to submit a SOQ and be evaluated for placement in the Drinking Water TA Provider pool prior to requesting additional funding from the State Water Board (including requests to amend an existing TA agreement).

### Resources:

Please refer to the <u>Drinking Water TA Provider Request for Qualifications (RFQ)</u> <u>Guidelines</u>. The Guidelines define the RFQ process and outline requirements for SOQ submittal to be considered for placement in the Drinking Water TA Provider pool. Once placed in the pool, qualified TA providers may work with State Water Board staff to request funding to provide TA services to public water systems and communities.

For additional background information on the TA funding program and the broader Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Drinking Water Program, please review the following items:

- <u>Technical Assistance Funding Program Webpage</u>
- Fiscal Year 2021-22 Fund Expenditure Plan for the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund (adopted October 19, 2021)