

Media Release

Free Infrastructure Funding Fairs Coming to Southern California Aug. 29-30

Hosted by the State Water Board and six Partner Agencies, Fairs in San Bernardino and San Diego Provide One-Stop Shopping for Local Governments Seeking Loans, Grants and Bonds

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SACRAMENTO – Cities and counties needing funds for infrastructure projects are invited to a pair of free funding fairs hosted by the State Water Resources Control Board and six partner agencies.

The last two <u>California Financing Coordinating Committee</u> (CFCC) Funding Fairs of 2017 will be held Tuesday, Aug. 29 in San Bernardino, and Wednesday, Aug. 30 in San Diego.

Funding Fairs are an opportunity for public works and local government representatives to obtain information on funding currently available for infrastructure projects. Project categories include, but are not limited to, drinking water, wastewater, water quality, water supply, water conservation, water use efficiency, energy efficiency and flood management. Some participating agencies also fund other types of infrastructure projects, such as streets and highways, emergency response vehicles, solid waste and community facilities.

The San Bernardino fair will begin at 8 a.m., Aug. 29 at California State University San Bernardino's College of Education, Room 105, 5500 University Parkway, 92407. The San Diego fair will begin at 8 a.m., Aug. 30 at the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board, 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, 92108.

The CFCC was formed in 1998 and is made up of seven funding members: The <u>State Water</u> <u>Board, California Department of Water Resources, California Department of Housing and</u> <u>Community Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development, U.S.</u> <u>Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation, California Infrastructure and Economic</u> <u>Development Bank, and CalRecycle</u>.

CFCC members facilitate and expedite the completion of various types of infrastructure projects by helping customers combine the resources of different agencies. Since 2000, CFCC members have conducted free funding fairs statewide to educate participants about available financial and technical resources.

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These <u>fairs</u> provide one-stop shopping for those looking for infrastructure funding in California. Each of the listed agencies will provide information on their available infrastructure grant, loan and bond financing programs, including funding available from the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (<u>Proposition 1</u>). Additionally, attendees have the opportunity to speak directly with program staff about specific projects and issues affecting their community.

The schedule for the funding fairs is as follows:

Check-in: 8-8:30 a.m. Agency presentations: 8:30 a.m.-noon. Project discussion with agencies: noon to completion.

For questions, call the Rural Community Assistance Corporation at (916) 447-9832, extension 1029.

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