



**2008 CALFED WATER QUALITY GRANT PROGRAM
FULL PROPOSAL SOLICITATION NOTICE
AUGUST 20, 2008**

**FULL PROPOSAL APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY
5:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2008**

This Solicitation Notice specifically targets those applicants **invited** to submit Full Proposals for the 2008 CALFED Water Quality Grant Program (WQGP).

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) is accepting full proposal applications for the 2008 CALFED WQGP from **invited** concept proposal applicants. This program is seeking to support one or more projects in the Delta and its tributary watersheds that reduce concentrations and loads of certain drinking water constituents of concern. Approximately \$4.2 Million is available for this solicitation.

SOLICITATION PROCESS

Unless otherwise specified here in the application instructions, this solicitation uses the guidelines established in the 2005-06 Consolidated Grants Program Guidelines (*Guidelines*) for the Integrated Watershed Management Program (IWMP) which are available on-line at the State Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/consolidgrants0506/cg_guidelines.shtml

| 2008 CALFED Water Quality Grant Program Schedule | |
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| DATES SHOWN IN ITALICS ARE TENTATIVE DATES | |
| MILESTONE OR ACTIVITY | SCHEDULE |
| Concept Proposal Solicitation Notice Released | June 2, 2008 |
| Concept Proposal applications must be submitted to the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. Applications submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the due date will not be reviewed or considered for funding. | July 10, 2008 |
| Invite selected applicants to submit Full Proposal applications. | August 20, 2008 |
| Full Proposal applications must be submitted to the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. Applications submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the due date will not be reviewed or considered for funding. | September 30, 2008 |
| The State Water Board approval of final grant awards | <i>November 18, 2008</i> |

Proposals will be evaluated and scored based on the information provided in the Full Proposal. The Full Proposal will be evaluated for consistency with what was submitted in the Concept Proposal and major changes to the scope of work may disqualify the Full Proposal from consideration for funding.

It is critical that you contact the CALFED, State Water Board or Regional Water Quality Control Board representative as you develop your full proposal to ensure it meets eligibility requirements, the program preferences and priorities, and is responsive to review comments on the concept proposal. Contact information is provided in Attachment 2 of this notice.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants who have been invited back to develop a full proposal must submit a complete application on-line using the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST) at:

<https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov>

FAAST Help Desk: 1-866-434-1083 or faast_admin@waterboards.ca.gov.

Attachment 1 of this Solicitation Notice contains a checklist of required information to help applicants prepare the electronic Full Proposal Application in the FAAST system.

Attachment 2 of this Solicitation Notice lists the CALFED, State Water Board and Regional Water Quality Control Board contacts that applicants should contact regarding funding priorities or eligibility requirements.

ATTACHMENT 1
FAAST ONLINE APPLICATION COMPLETENESS CHECKLIST

| Table 1: Checklist for Completing the Online Full Proposal Application | |
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| Within the FAAST, the following SECTIONS must be completed and submitted. Note: The highlighted items have already been submitted into FAAST when the Concept Proposal was submitted. They should be updated as necessary. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | General Information Update this section of the FAAST application per the comments received on your Concept Proposal submittal. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Funding Programs Check the box next to the "CALFED Water Quality Grant Program". Consult with the contacts listed below for questions regarding applicant eligibility, project eligibility, and program priorities. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Project Management Please indicate the Project Director and the Project Manager from the applicant's organization. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Legislative Information Enter the State assembly, State senate, and U.S. congressional districts where the project is located. For projects that include more than one district, please enter each district. Look at the tables provided in FAAST to assist with determining the appropriate districts. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Agency Contacts This section must include all agency contacts (Regional Water Quality Control Board, Department of Food and Agriculture, etc.) that assisted in the development of the project proposal. You may enter more than one agency contact. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cooperating Entities List the organizations that will assist the applicant in implementing the project, including partner organizations, consultants, and volunteers. You may enter more than one cooperating entity. We may contact cooperating agencies as part of the application review process. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Application Questionnaire in FAAST To view the complete list of information included in the Full Proposal application, refer to Appendix I-1 of the Guidelines (starting on page 67). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Performance Measure Classification This is for data collection Purposes only and your responses will not affect the ranking of your project. Describe the characteristics of the project by entering or choosing from the given criteria from each of the following categories in the FAAST Performance Measure Classification Tab. (Please note: Save each entry by clicking on the "Save As Work in Progress" button before moving to the next Category tab) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purpose of the project- Select the purpose of your project and enter the percentage for each indicated purpose. 2. Waterbody- Select the type of waterbody and the percentage that will be addressed in your project. 3. Land Use- Select the land uses in the project area and enter a percentage for each one. 4. Site Condition-Select the Site condition that is causing the impairment that your project will address and enter the percentage for each condition. 5. Implementation Activities-Select the Implementation activities that will be implemented by your project and enter a percentage for each activity. 6. TMDL- Select the TMDL phase in the Attribute name dropdown and select the TMDL Stressor in the Sub-attribute dropdown and enter the percentage for each stressor. 7. BMP- Select the BMPs and the BMP subgroups that will be implemented by the project and enter a percentage for each BMP. 8. Sampling- Select the Constituents that will be sampled and monitored in the project. |

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A Project Description – Limit 2 pages of text plus maps. See Guidelines page 74.

Attachment B Team/Administration – Limit 1 page of text plus resumes. See Guidelines page 74.

Attachment C Stakeholder Involvement and Coordination – Limit 1 page of text. See Guidelines page 74.

4. Attachment D Financing/Funding Match – Detail funding match, waiver or reduction. See Guidelines page 75.

Attachment E Cost Estimate/Budget – Limit 2 pages of text plus Table I-2. See Guidelines pages 75-77.

Attachment F Schedule – Limit 1 page of text plus 1 chart/timeline if desired. See Guidelines page 75. Projects must be completed by March 2011.

Attachment G Scope of Work and Grant Agreement Readiness - Limit 7 pages. See Guidelines pages 78 and 79 and Scope of Work Template at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/consolidgrants0506/cg_sow.shtml

Attachment H Environmental Justice – Limit 1 page of text. See Guidelines page 78.

Attachment I Education and Outreach – Limit 1 page of text. See Guidelines pages 78 and 79.

Attachment J Implementation Proposals Supplemental – Limit 10 pages of text plus performance measures table(s). See Guidelines pages 82 and 83.

Attachment K CALFED WQGP Supplemental Submittal Requirements – Limit 2 pages of text. This attachment should explain how your project meets the objectives of the CALFED Water Quality Program and any other CALFED objectives. *The objectives of the CALFED Water Quality Program are described in the CALFED Programmatic Record of Decision and other program documents available on the CALFED website at <http://www.calwater.ca.gov/calfed/library/index.html>.*

Discuss how the proposal will successfully demonstrate the following:

- Well planned and designed implementation activities that have a high likelihood of contributing to the desired water quality improvements based on available information;
- Significant pollutant load reductions for one or more drinking water constituents of concern as a primary purpose of the project;
- Provide multiple benefits including reduction of aquatic toxicity; and,
- Consistency with existing water management plans including the efficient use of water for municipal, industrial, agricultural, and environmental purposes.

Attachment L Application Checklist – Application Checklist from Solicitation Notice (This table, Table 1).

Attachment Q Environmental Clearance Checklist – Contact the State Water Board staff for a copy of the checklist. See Attachment 2 for contact information.

Optional Attachments: (Only if needed)

- **LETTERS OF SUPPORT**

Attachments, must conform to the following formatting requirements:

- PDF format
- Letter (8.5" x 11") size paper
- Single-spaced or wider
- Times New Roman font - Size 11 or larger
- One inch margins

ATTACHMENT 2
2008 CALFED Water Quality Grant Program Contacts

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