



Fact Sheet

Site Cleanup Subaccount Program

General

The Site Cleanup Subaccount Program (SCAP) is a funding program established by Health & Safety Code Section 25299.50.6 in 2014. It allows the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to issue grants for reasonable and necessary costs associated with projects that investigate the source of surface or groundwater contamination and/or remediate the harm or threat of harm to human health, safety, or the environment caused by existing or threatened surface or groundwater contamination. More information on this and other funding programs is available at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/scap/

FUNDING PROGRAM DETAILS	
PROGRAM FUNDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual appropriation of \$34 million through 2025
FUNDING MECHANISMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants to responsible parties • Contracts to Regional Water Boards, Local Agencies, or another appropriate regulatory agency with authority over surface or groundwater cleanup oversight.
ELIGIBLE GRANT APPLICANTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants with eligible projects
GRANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible party must be subject to regulatory directive, order, or notification, unless the State Water Board determines it is infeasible to issue such order before the start of remediation; AND • Responsible party lacks financial resources to perform required work
ELIGIBLE GRANT PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate the source of surface or groundwater contamination • Remediate the harm or threat of harm to human health, safety, and the environment caused by existing or threatened surface or groundwater contamination • Satisfies regulatory directives, orders, or notifications • Ineligible for other Division of Financial Assistance funding programs

<p style="text-align: center;">IMPORTANT FACTORS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project site poses a significant threat to human health or environment • Project site is in a financially disadvantaged or small community • Cost of project produces an environmental benefit • Responsible parties lack funds to meet regulatory agency directive • Other information the State Water Board identifies as necessary for consideration. Consistent with State Water Board Resolution No. 2024-0023 (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/resolutions/2024/rs2024-0023_att.pdf) and the Racial Equity Action Plan (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/racial_equity/), the State Water Board considers environmental justice by evaluating the most recent CalEnviroScreen score for the project location.
<p style="text-align: center;">FUNDING LIMITS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No funding request limits • No cost matching

Applying for Groundwater Quality Funding: Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST)

To apply for the Site Cleanup Subaccount Program, grant applicants must fill out a Groundwater Quality Funding Program Pre-Application via FAAST (see the link on the SCAP website provided below). Program staff will review submitted Pre-Applications and evaluate the project’s eligibility. Before starting your Pre-Application, browse through the links provided on SCAP’s web site. Pre-Application instructions and a sample Pre-Application provide specific information about the information we request. The more complete and specific the information in the Pre-Application is, the better – it means our staff can start reviewing your project right away. Please note that there is no deadline for submitting a Pre-Application.

Contact Us

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