
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT, BOARD WORKSHOP, AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF THE STATE FISCAL YEAR (SFY) 2022-23 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2022 CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) INTENDED USE PLAN (IUP) AND DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (DWSRF) IUP WITH SUPPLEMENTAL IUPS AND GUIDELINES FOR COMPLEMENTARY FUNDING FROM THE BUDGET ACTS OF 2021 AND 2022 AND PROPOSITIONS 1 AND 68

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept public comments on the draft SFY 2022-23 CWSRF and DWSRF IUPs and Supplemental IUPs.

Public written comments must be submitted no later than 12:00 noon on **September 23, 2022**. 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 CWSRF IUP and DWSRF IUP with Supplemental IUPs and receive public input regarding the draft IUPs.

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 - no earlier than 1:00 p.m.
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento

And via Video and Teleconference (For public commenters)

Video and Teleconference Option: This meeting 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 meeting, 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.
- For members of the public who wish to comment on this item, additional information about participating telephonically or via the remote meeting solution will be available at least 10 days before the meeting at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/

A quorum of the State Water Board will attend the Board workshop; however, no State Water Board action will be taken during the Board workshop.

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

Monday, October 3, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento

And via Video and Teleconference (For public commenters)

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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 4).

BACKGROUND

The draft CWSRF and DWSRF IUPs outline the State Water Board’s business plan for administering the CWSRF, DWSRF, and their complementary funding for state fiscal year (SFY) 2022-23. The IUPs specifically identify the available funding, the types of projects eligible for financing, the associated financing terms, and the measures that will be used to track the programs’ performance.

The CWSRF program provides low-cost financing statewide for wastewater treatment and recycling, non-point source, estuary, storm water, and combined sewer system projects. The Small Community Wastewater (SCWW) Program funding complements the CWSRF program, providing grants through various sources to small disadvantaged communities (DACs) and small severely disadvantaged communities (SDACs) for wastewater projects.

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 IUPs also include draft Supplemental IUPs for new SRF funds appropriated through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), including Emerging Contaminants funding and Lead Service Line Replacement funding. General Fund infrastructure funding for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) 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 (U.S. EPA) for the FFY 2022 Capitalization Grants. The IUPs also serve as guidelines for SCWW Funding and SCG DW Funding, which includes funding provided by the Budget Acts of 2021 and 2022 (including appropriations for wastewater, drinking water, water recycling, and PFAS projects); 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 IUPs are available for review on the State Water Board's website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

To ensure a productive and efficient Board Workshop and 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 CWSRF and DWSRF IUPs, and Supplemental IUPs, the adopted IUPs will be submitted to the U.S. EPA as part of the Board's applications for FFY 2022 Capitalization Grants.

WEBCAST INFORMATION

Live video and audio broadcasts of the Board Workshop and Board Meeting, for attendees solely interested in watching and not participating in the Board Workshop or the 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 2022-23 (FFY 2022) CWSRF and DWSRF IUPs. Written comments should be submitted as early as possible to ensure thorough staff analysis. Please use the subject line “**Comment Letter – October 3, 2022, Board Meeting – CWSRF IUP**” or “**Comment Letter – October 3, 2022, Board Meeting – DWSRF IUP.**” Written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on September 23, 2022** and should be addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, 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. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

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 CWSRF IUP, DWSRF IUP, or Supplemental IUPs, including any changes to the format, location, date or time of the public meeting or public workshop, should sign up for the Lyris e-mail list as follows:

- (1) Access the State Water Board email subscription web page www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html
- (2) Click the “Financial Assistance (Grants & Loans)” tab
- (3) Check the box for “Clean Water State Revolving Fund” and/or “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 and Board Meeting (by August 29, 2022 and September 22, 2022, respectively) by contacting Brandon Roosenboom at Brandon.Roosenboom@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 Ms. Elnaz Nasaei at Elnaz.Nasaei@waterboards.ca.gov or Ms. Elisabeth Brown at Elisabeth.Brown@waterboards.ca.gov.

Please direct questions about this notice to Ms. Romana Wortell at Romana.Wortell@waterboards.ca.gov or CleanWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov.

August 24, 2022
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board