

## State Water Resources Control Board

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOPS Proposition 1

The State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Division of Financial Assistance (Division) will hold three public workshops to provide information regarding the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Proposition 1). The primary purpose of these workshops will be to give stakeholders an opportunity to provide State Water Board staff with feedback on the draft guidelines for Small Community Wastewater funding available from Proposition 1.

In addition, stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide State Water Board staff with input on the draft guidelines for the Clean, Safe, and Reliable Drinking Water funding, and hear updates on the Proposition 1 funding opportunities for Water Recycling, Stormwater, and Groundwater Sustainability.

Workshop dates and locations are as follows<sup>1</sup>:

	<b>Scheduled Date and Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
1	Tuesday March 24 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am – 3:00 pm	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Kings Conference Room 1685 E. Street Fresno, CA 93706
2	Thursday March 26 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am – 3:00 pm	Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board Highgrove Room, Suite 200 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501
3 <sup>2</sup>	Monday March 30 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am – 3:00 pm	CalEPA Headquarters Building Sierra Hearing Room 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> It is not necessary to register to attend these workshops. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact the State Water Board Contact identified at the end of this notice, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting(s).

<sup>2</sup> Webcast will be available at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>

<sup>3</sup> Building access and parking information at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm>

## Background

Proposition 1 ([Assembly Bill 1471, Rendon](#)) authorized \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for water projects including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. The State Water Board will administer Proposition 1 funds for five programs: wastewater, water recycling, drinking water, stormwater, and groundwater. [The implementation schedule for each program will vary](#). Proposition 1 requires the creation of funding guidelines through a transparent and public process. Section 79706(b) of Proposition 1 requires at least three public meetings throughout the state to consider public comments prior to finalizing funding guidelines. In addition, the draft guidelines must be posted on the internet at least 30 days before the public meetings.

## Proposed Workshop Agenda

9:30 am – 9:45 am	Welcome, Purpose of the Workshop, Introductions
9:45 am – 11:00 am	Small Community Wastewater – Draft Funding Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Division staff presentation</li><li>• Opportunity for public comments and questions</li></ul>
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Break
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Short Introduction to Funding Opportunities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Water Recycling<sup>1</sup></li><li>• Stormwater<sup>2</sup></li><li>• Groundwater Sustainability<sup>2</sup> and <a href="#">Senate Bill 445 Site Cleanup Subaccount</a><sup>3</sup></li></ul>
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Break
1:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Clean, Safe, and Reliable Drinking Water – Scoping <sup>4</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Division staff presentation, focusing on areas where public feedback would help in shaping the draft guidelines</li><li>• Opportunity for public comments and questions</li></ul>
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Opportunity for Final Comments or Questions

<sup>1</sup> Workshops regarding the draft guidelines for the Water Recycling Funding Program will be held separately, [anticipated April 2015](#).

<sup>2</sup> Workshops regarding the draft funding guidelines for these two programs will be held separately, [anticipated during 2016](#).

<sup>3</sup> Outreach for potential projects to pre-apply.

<sup>4</sup> This is a scoping session only. Workshops regarding the draft funding guidelines for the Clean, Safe and Reliable Drinking Water Program will be held separately, [anticipated May 2015](#).

## Small Community Wastewater – Draft Funding Guidelines

This section is intended to provide information about document availability and submission of written comments for the Small Community Wastewater Program only. Draft funding guidelines for the four other programs mentioned herein will be made available at a later date.

Document Availability

Proposition 1 ([Section 79723](#)) allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund for wastewater treatment projects. The State Water Board's existing SCG funds are currently administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP) and the [CWSRF Policy](#). Administering the SCG funds as part of the CWSRF Program allows applicants to easily leverage the SCG funds with low-interest financing available through the CWSRF Program. The CWSRF IUP is generally updated on an annual basis.

The Draft State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2015-16 CWSRF IUP has been modified to incorporate information regarding implementation of Section 79723 of Proposition 1. Information relating to grant eligibility and funding maximums is in Table 4. The three public workshops described above will provide State Water Board staff with an opportunity to answer questions and receive comments on the Draft SFY 2015-16 CWSRF IUP, which is posted online at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/grants\\_loans/small\\_community\\_wastewater\\_grant/projects.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml)

Submission of Written Comments

State Water Board staff will accept feedback from attendees at the workshops, but also encourages interested parties to submit their comments in writing. Written comments on the Draft SFY 2015-16 CWSRF IUP must be received by Friday April 3, 2015 at noon. Please either email or mail comments to the State Water Board Contact identified at the end of this notice.

**Additional Information**


Anyone desiring to receive future information concerning the Proposition 1 funding programs mentioned herein should subscribe to the appropriate email list, as indicated at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/grants\\_loans/proposition1.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1.shtml)

If you require regular mail, you may submit such request to the State Water Board Contact identified below.

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