



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF LISTENING SESSION LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY CONTRACTING SERVICES

OVERVIEW

The Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is holding a listening session to discuss options to assist community water systems with completing their lead service line inventories. The inventories are needed so that community water systems can replace lead service lines and apply for the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) funds provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The listening session will be held on:

Tuesday, April 4, 2023 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm https://bit.ly/LSLRWorkshop Remote Participation Only

BACKGROUND

The federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) require all community water systems and non-transient, noncommunity water systems to complete their service line inventories by October 16, 2024. The State Water Board was awarded a \$250 million grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for the LSLR program, and on October 3, 2022, the State Water Board adopted a Supplemental Intended Use Plan (IUP) authorizing the use of the LSLR funding to meet the LCRR requirements.

To assist community water systems to comply with the LCRR and meet funding requirements, DFA staff are evaluating options for using set-aside funds from the LSLR grant (up to 10% of the awarded amount) to contract with third parties to complete community water system inventories of service lines owned by both water systems and their customers.

DFA staff are coordinating with the Division of Drinking Water staff to explore different contracting options and identify the scopes of work necessary to ensure that all water systems that need additional assistance can complete their inventories and have the information necessary to plan and replace lead service lines in California. DFA staff will present this information to stakeholders and interested parties at the listening session to obtain feedback on the viability of several potential approaches. The information will

assist DFA with assisting communities with completing their lead service line inventories so they can access the LSLR funding from the BIL.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the April 4, 2023, listening session, a quorum of the State Water Board may be present; however, no Board action will be taken. Participants will be given an opportunity to speak and provide input during the listening session. To ensure a productive and efficient listening session, DFA staff may limit the time for oral comments.

LANGUAGE SERVICE

To request language interpretation or sign language services, please contact Marina Perez at (916) 322-4265 or Marina.Perez@waterboards.ca.gov by Monday, March 20, 2023.

ACCESSIBILITY

Telecommunications device for the hearing impaired (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

FUTURE NOTICES

Any change in the listening session date will be provided via email. Any person desiring to receive future notice of any changes must be subscribed to the State Water Board's "Drinking Water State Revolving Fund" email list.

The subscription form is located at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html. To subscribe, 1) click on Financial Assistance (Grant and Loans), 2) select the "Drinking Water State Revolving Fund" category, and 3) scroll to the top of the page and provide the required information (click the subscribe button).

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The PowerPoint presentation will be made available prior to the listening session on the <u>Lead Service Line Replacement Funding webpage</u>. You may also request a copy of the presentation by emailing the LSLR funding general inbox at <u>DFA-LSLR@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

More information regarding the LSLR funding and regulatory requirements can be found here:

- Lead Service Line Replacement Supplemental Intended Use Plan: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/docs/2022/2022-23-supp-iup-lslr-final.pdf
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water issues/programs/grants loans/docs/2022

- /dwsrf-iup-sfy2022-23-final.pdf
- Lead Copper Rule for drinking water: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/leadandcop
 perrule.html
- LCRR Lead Service Line Inventory FAQ: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/docs/2022/lcrr-lslinventory-faq-2022-wguidance.pdf

Please direct all questions regarding this notice to the LSLR funding general email box at DFA-LSLR@waterboards.ca.gov.

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