

Get to know us...

CALIFORNIA'S DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (DWSRF)

Established by an amendment to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act in 1996, the DWSRF provides low-interest loans, additional subsidy (principal forgiveness), and technical assistance to public water systems for infrastructure improvements to correct system deficiencies and improve drinking water quality for the health, safety, and welfare of all Californians.

Previously overseen by the Department of Public Health, the DWSRF program was transferred to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) as of July 2014. The State Water Board's Division of Financial Assistance (Division) administers the DWSRF Program. The DWSRF helps water systems improve drinking water quality for all Californians.

The Division also provides financial assistance through other funding programs to fulfill the State Water Board's Mission:

To preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water resources and drinking water for the protection of the environment, public health, and all beneficial uses, and to ensure proper allocation and efficient use, for the benefit of present and future generations.

For information on all of the State Water Board's funding programs, please visit the Division's website: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/grants_loans/

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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Division of Financial Assistance
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DRINKING WATER
STATE REVOLVING FUND

BELOW-MARKET FINANCING
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Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance

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BELOW-MARKET FINANCING FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program helps California public water systems provide safe drinking water.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Publicly-owned community water systems (e.g., counties, cities, districts)
- Privately-owned community water systems (e.g., for-profit water utilities, non-profit mutual water companies)
- Non-profit or publicly-owned non-community water systems (e.g., public school districts)
- Community water systems created by the project

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects including:

- treatment systems
- distribution systems
- interconnections
- consolidations
- pipeline extensions
- water sources
- water meters

WHEN TO APPLY

ANYTIME! There is no application deadline.

HOW TO APPLY

Complete and submit an application online through the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST) at <https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov>

The application is also available on the DWSRF website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/dwsrf> or by calling (916) 327-9978.

INCENTIVES

- **Financing Limit:** Limited only by water system's ability to borrow
- **Interest Rate:** 1.633% for 2015*; 0% may be available to public water systems serving small, disadvantaged communities
- **Repayment Term:** 20 years (up to 30 years or useful life of the project for water systems serving disadvantaged communities)
- **Repayment:** Begins within one year after project completion
- **Principal Forgiveness:** May be available to publicly owned water systems or non-profit mutual water companies serving disadvantaged communities

* interest rate may vary each calendar year; it is 50% of the average interest rate paid by the state on general obligation bonds issued in the prior calendar year

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information and program updates, please visit the DWSRF website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/dwsrf>

QUESTIONS?

We are here to help! If you have any questions, please contact the Division of Financial Assistance at (916) 327-9978 or DrinkingWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The State Water Board has contracts in place to provide technical assistance related to drinking water with Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC), California Rural Water Association (CRWA), and Self Help Enterprises (SHE). Eligible activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Prepare financial assistance applications
- Compliance audits
- Review proposed project alternatives
- Planning and budgets
- Community outreach, awareness, and education

Contact the DWSRF for more information.