

Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Grants

California Water Commission Information Item

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Funding

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Total Available Funding: \$15 million
(Proposition 50 - Chapter 7, CWC Section 79550 (g))

Project Types	Available Funding	Funding Cap Per Project
Section A - Implementation	\$12,000,000	\$2,000,000
Section B – Feasibilities / R&D / Pilots / Training / Outreach	\$3,000,000	\$200,000

Eligibility

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- **Eligible projects: Agricultural water use efficiency projects that benefit the Bay-Delta system**
 - Section A - Implementation Projects that result in water savings, increased in-stream flow, increased water quality and increased energy efficiency
 - Section B - Technical Assistance, Feasibility Studies, Research and Development, Training, Education, Public Outreach and Pilot projects.
- **Eligible applicants: cities, counties, districts, tribes, non-profit organizations, watershed groups; universities, State, and federal agencies (R&D projects only). Private- ineligible.**

Tentative Timeline

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June 2012	Obtain DWR Management Approval
July 2012	Release of Draft Ag WUE Proposal Solicitation
	Public Workshop for Draft PSP – Sacramento
	Public Workshop for Draft PSP – Fresno
August 2012	Public Comments on Draft PSP
September 2012	Final PSP Released
	Public Workshop for Final PSP – Sacramento
November 2012	Proposals Due
March 2013	Announce Ag WUE Draft Funding Awards
	Public Workshop Draft Funding Awards – Sacramento
April 2013	Announce Ag WUE Final Funding Awards
May 2013	Ag WUE Contract Negotiations Begin
June 2013	Ag WUE Contracts Executed and Projects Begin

Public Participation

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Grant Guidelines will be posted on DWR Website at

<http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/finance/>