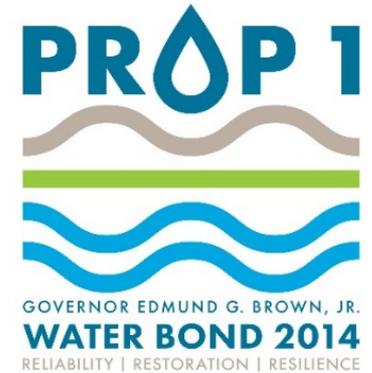


CALIFORNIA WATER COMMISSION

DWR ASSISTANCE TO SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

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PRIOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Focus on Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management
 - Of \$808.5 Million for Implementation Projects
 - \$112 Million for projects that benefit disadvantaged communities, of which
 - \$35 Million for critical water supply/water quality needs
 - Disadvantaged Community Assistance Pilot Projects
 - Tulare Lake Basin Study

PROPOSITION 1E SMALL COMMUNITIES FLOOD RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

- Provides local assistance to communities with fewer than 10,000 residents that are protected by the State Plan of Flood Control
- Help small communities achieve 100-year flood protection
 - Initial funding for study the feasibility of flood risk reduction projects
- Minimum State contribution is 50 percent
 - Increased based on a project's contribution to multi-benefit objectives, increased protection for State facilities, and increased flood protection for DAC
- Solicitation anticipated in early 2016
- <http://www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/funding/small-communities.cfm>



PROPOSITION 1 PROGRAMS



DWR & SWRCB PROPOSITION 1 PROGRAMS

- Chapter 5 Safe Drinking Water (SWRCB)
 - \$260M Small Community Wastewater
 - \$260M Disadvantaged Community Drinking Water
- Chapter 7 Regional Water Reliability
 - \$510M Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) (DWR)
 - \$200M Multi-benefit stormwater management (SWRCB)
 - \$100M Water conservation & water use efficiency (WUE) (DWR)
- Chapter 9 Water Recycling
 - \$675M Water recycling & advanced treatment technology (SWRCB)
 - \$100M Desalination & advanced treatment technology (DWR)

DWR & SWRCB PROPOSITION 1 PROGRAMS

- Chapter 10 Groundwater Sustainability
 - \$800M Prevention & cleanup of groundwater pollution (SWRCB)
 - \$100M Sustainable Groundwater Planning (DWR)
- Chapter 11 Flood Management
 - \$295M Reduce risk of levee failure & flooding in the Delta
 - \$100M Statewide flood management

PROPOSITION 1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

SELECTED DEFINITIONS

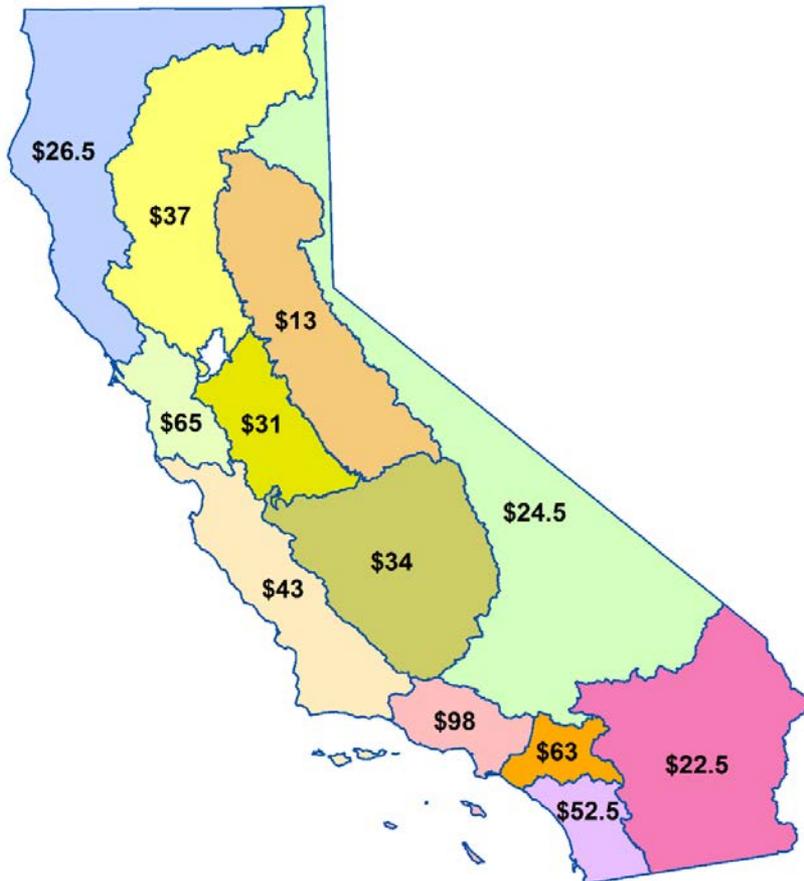
- Disadvantaged Community (DAC) = 80% Median Household Income (MHI)
- Severely Disadvantaged Community = 60% MHI
- Economically Distressed Area (EDA) = <85% MHI
 - Municipality – Population \leq 20,000
 - Rural County
 - Reasonable isolated/divisible segment of large municipality with population \leq 20,000 and one or more:
 - Financial hardship
 - Unemployment rate at least 2% higher than State average
 - Low population density
- http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/resources_eda.cfm



PROPOSITION 1 IRWM GRANT PROGRAM



PROPOSITION 1 IRWM GENERAL PURPOSE



- The purposes of this chapter are to:
 - Help water infrastructure systems adapt to climate change
 - Provide incentives for collaboration on managing water resources and setting water infrastructure priorities
 - Improve regional water self-reliance

PROPOSITION 1 IRWM FUNDING OVERVIEW

- \$5M for Planning Grant Program
- \$102M for Disadvantaged Community Assistance
 - At least 10% (\$51M) - Ensure involvement of DACs, EDAs, or underrepresented communities within regions
 - At least 10% (\$51M) - Projects that directly benefit a DAC
- \$367.3M for Implementation Grant Program (in addition to DAC projects)
- \$35.7M Program delivery and Bond administration cost
- Mandated 50% Cost Share
 - Waive or reduce for DAC or EDAs

EXAMPLE NEW REQUIREMENTS

- IRWM Plans in regions with areas of nitrate, arsenic, perchlorate, or hexavalent chromium contamination must describe:
 - Location and extent of contamination
 - Impacts caused by the contamination to communities
 - Efforts being undertaken to address the impacts
 - Any additional efforts needed to address the impacts
- RWMGs include in grant applications:
 - Information regarding how project(s) help address the contamination or
 - An explanation why the application does not include such project(s)
- DWR shall consider whether the RWMG included projects that
 - Help address the impacts caused by these contaminants, including projects that provide safe drinking water to small disadvantaged communities
 - Proposed definition - not >10,000 year-round residents

DAC INVOLVEMENT EXAMPLE ACTIVITIES

General Activity	Examples of Activity
Technical assistance	Service provider trainings, local circuit rider programs to train water and wastewater staff
Needs assessments	Surveys or meetings with community members to identify water management needs
Project development activities	Planning activities, environmental compliance, or pre-construction engineering/design activities
Site assessment	Water quality assessments, median household income surveys, data and mapping activities
Engagement in IRWM efforts	DAC regional engagement coordinator role, DAC Advisory Committee to RWMG, DAC representatives in governance
Community outreach	Public project meetings open to community members, door-to-door outreach
Education	Translation or interpretive services for information sharing, water education campaigns for community members, education for RWMGs on DAC needs
Facilitation	Facilitated RWMG meetings, facilitated project development meetings
Enhancement of DAC aspects in IRWM Plans	Development of Funding Area-wide DAC plan to be utilized as a unified approach for all IRWM plans

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

- Imminent – Post draft documents for public review
 - Guidelines
 - Planning Grant Proposal Solicitation Package
 - Disadvantaged Community Involvement Request for Proposal
- Mid-2016 – Administer Disadvantaged Community Involvement funding and Planning Grant solicitation
- DAC Project funding and Implementation Grant Programs to follow

CHAPTER 10 GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY

- \$100 Million for projects that develop and implement groundwater plans and projects in accordance with groundwater planning requirements in Water Code Section 10000
- Competitive grant program
 - 50% Cost share, waived or reduced for projects that directly benefit DAC or EDA
 - 10% allocated to projects serving severely DAC
- Up to \$10 Million – Counties with Stressed Basins
 - Develop ordinances and plans that protect basins and their beneficial uses and help facilitate basin-wide groundwater management
- \$83 Million
 - Local Agencies
 - Groundwater sustainability governance and planning

PROPOSITION 1

WATER USE EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

Turf & Toilet Rebates

- Total of \$24M available for turf, with target of 50% of funds to DACs
 - \$12M targeted to SJV
 - \$12M targeted Statewide
- Total of \$6M available for High Efficiency Toilets (HET)
 - Target – 50% of funds to DACs

Turf & Toilet Direct Installs

- In partnership with Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) for HET installs
 - \$6 million targeted to DACs, in conjunction with CSD weatherization program
- Includes partnership with California Conservation Corps to replace turf
 - \$1 million targeted to DACs, underserved, and drought impacted communities in San Joaquin Valley for turf replacement
 - Replace turf at public facilities and provide job training for at risk youth



QUESTIONS?

