
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENT TO THE POLICY FOR IMPLEMENTING THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will consider adopting the proposed amendment to the Policy for Implementing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF or DWSRF Policy) Program at its regularly scheduled Board meeting, no earlier than:

Tuesday, May 6, 2025
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento

And via Video and Teleconference (For public commenters)

Video and Teleconference Option: This meeting will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option for the public to participate from a remote location.

- For those who only wish to watch the meeting, the webcast remains available at either <https://www.youtube.com/user/BoardWebSupport> or <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/#/> (closed captioning available) and should be used UNLESS you intend to comment.
- For members of the public who wish to comment on this item, additional information about participating telephonically or via the remote meeting solution will be available at least 10 days before the meeting at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/

Any person desiring to receive future notices about changes to the date, time, location, or format of the public meetings should sign up for the Lyris e-mail list, as described below under “Future Notices”.

BACKGROUND

The DWSRF Policy was written to implement the federal Safe Drinking Water Act’s DWSRF Program in California. The DWSRF Policy sets forth the requirements to obtain DWSRF and complementary financing in conjunction with the annual DWSRF Intended Use Plans. The Division of Financial Assistance posted a draft amended DWSRF Policy for public comment on October 22, 2024 and accepted written comments on the proposed draft until November 22, 2024. The Board held a workshop for the proposed amendment to the DWSRF Policy on November 6, 2024.

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The DWSRF Policy was last amended on December 3, 2019. Since then, demand on the DWSRF Program has greatly increased, and new priority scoring criteria are being proposed by the Division of Financial Assistance to better manage the increased demand. Additional changes are also being proposed to better manage the credit evaluation process and to improve consistency between the DWSRF and Clean Water State Revolving Fund Policies.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

Policy amendment documents released on October 22, 2024 are available for review on the State Water Board's website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.html. A subsequent Change Sheet will be released prior to the Board Meeting. Written comment period has closed, however, oral comments can be heard at the Board Meeting.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

To ensure a productive and efficient Board Meeting, the Board may limit the time for oral comments. For recommendations regarding presentations to the Board, please go to: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.html

WEBCAST INFORMATION

Live video and audio broadcasts of the Board Meeting, for attendees solely interested in watching and not participating in the Board Meeting, will be available via the Internet and can be accessed at the CalEPA Public Meeting Live Webcasts page (<https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>).

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

The State Water Board accepted both written and oral comments on the proposed DWSRF Policy from October 24, 2024, until November 22, 2024.

At the Board Meeting, commenters will be given an opportunity to make oral comments or to summarize and supplement orally previously submitted written materials. If you would like to provide oral comments, please follow the remote participation guidelines available at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/#provide_comments

FUTURE NOTICES

Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the DWSRF Policy and other information related to the DWSRF Program, including any changes to the format, location, date or time of the public meeting, should sign up for the Lyrus e-mail list as follows:

- (1) Access the State Water Board email subscription web page
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html
- (2) Click the "Financial Assistance (Grants & Loans)" tab
- (3) Check the box for "Drinking Water State Revolving Fund"
- (4) Fill in the required signup details, and
- (5) Press the "Subscribe" button

ACCESSIBILITY

The meetings will be offered in English. To request other language interpretation or other accommodation, please submit your request at least 7 business days before the Board Meeting by contacting OPP-LanguageServices@waterboards.ca.gov. If you have limitations hearing or speaking, you may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 (teletypewriter) or (800) 735-2922 (voice).

For directions to the Joe Serna, Jr. (CalEPA) Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board Web site:
<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/location>

All visitors to the CalEPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located just inside the main entrance (10th Street entrance). Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Mr. Marques Tamanaha at Marques.Tamanaha@waterboards.ca.gov or DrinkingWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov.

March 21, 2025
Date



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Clerk to the Board