



## **Clean Water SRF and IIJA Funding**

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### We Haven't Changed, We Just Have More Money

- Same Schedule
- Safe Staff
- Same Eligibility criteria
- Same Application Process
- There are some changes. That's why you're here today.



# Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) or Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

Amendments to CWA
Title VI
(CWA CWSRF authorizing section)

Massive new influx of supplemental CWSRF funds

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Amendments to CWA Title VI (CWSRF Base Program Amendments)

#### Reauthorizes the program

Expands allowable forms of CWA 603 Additional Subsidy

Establishes an Additional Subsidy range of 10% to 30% when the amount appropriated exceeds \$1 Billion

Allows up to 2% to be used for Technica Assistance

Build America, Buy America procurement requirement added (Only change to federal requirements)

#### **BIL - Clean Water for Communities**

BIL CWSRF
General
Supplemental
/Stimulus
Funding

#### **General Supplemental/Stimulus**

• 49% of funds will be available for principal forgiveness loans

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#### **New Federal Investment**

Year	BIL Supplemental	Base Cap Grant	Total CWSRF	Total Forgivable Loan	
2022	\$30.9M*	\$20.3M**	\$51.2M	\$17.2M	*Appropriated **Authorized
2023	\$36.3M	\$51.2M	\$87.5M	\$22.9M	Authorized
2024	\$39.6M	\$55.4M	\$95.0M	\$24.9M	Authorized
2025	\$42.9M	\$59.5M	\$102.4M	\$26.9M	Authorized
2026	\$42.9M	\$59.5M	\$102.4M	\$26.9M	Authorized
Total	\$192.9M	\$271M	\$464.1M	\$121.6M	Authorized

#### **BIL - Clean Water for Communities**

BIL Emerging Contaminants Supplemental Funding

## Emerging Contaminants Supplemental

- 100% must be proved as additional subsidy
- Eligibilities limited to CWSRF-eligible projects that "address emerging contaminants"

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### **Emerging Contaminants Funding**

Year	Emerging Contaminants (100% Forgivable Principal Loans)	
2022	\$1.6M	Appropriated
2023	\$4.5M	Authorized
2024	\$4.5M	Authorized
2025	\$4.5M	Authorized
2026	\$4.5M	Authorized
Total	\$16.6M	Authorized

#### **BIL - Sewer Overflow and Stromwater Grant**

The Sewer <u>O</u>verflow and <u>S</u>tormwater Reuse Municipal <u>G</u>rants Program (OSG) was reauthorized by America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) of 2018.

- For Planning, design and construction of treatment works to address combined sewer overflows, sanitary sewer overflows or stormwater.
- 25% to Disadvantaged Communities
- Same CWSRF Requirements
- State applies and provides 20% match

Year	WA OSG Funds Authorized	25% Mandated to Disadvantaged Communities
2020	\$511,000*	\$127,750
2021	\$730,000*	\$182,500
2022	\$5.1M	\$1.28M
2023	\$5.1M	\$1.28M
2024	\$5.1M	\$1.28M
2025	\$5.1M	\$1.28M
2026	\$5.1M	\$1.28M
Total	\$27M	\$6.75M

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#### Justice 40

- E0-14052
- 40 percent of overall benefits of Federal investments from covered programs flow to disadvantaged communities (EO 14008)
- Benefits for "Development of Critical Clean Water Infrastructure" include (not limited to):
  - Reduction in the quantity of raw sewage discharged
  - Increased access to safe drinking water and sanitary sewer services
- The Challenge-Calculating benefits and reporting



# Disadvantaged/Underserved/Overburdened/Low Income Communities

- EPA is urging states to:
  - · Remove barriers
  - Prioritize the distribution of grant funds to disadvantaged communities
  - · Provide technical assistance to help overcome barriers
- For communities of (may include but not limited to):
  - Low income, high and/or persistent poverty
  - High unemployment and underemployment
  - · Racial and ethnic residential segregation
  - · Linguistic isolation
  - · Distressed neighborhoods
  - Disproportionate environmental stressor burden
  - Limited water and sanitation access and affordability

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#### **Current Hardship Determination**

#### Construction

- < 25,000 population of service area
- Factors include
  - · Cost of the Project
  - Existing Costs
  - · Median Household Income
- Impact to Rate Payers
  - Sewer rate >2% MHI
- Eligible for forgivable loan (and centennial grants) and reduced interest rates

#### Preconstruction

- < 25,000 population
- MHI of service < 80% of state MHI
- Eligibility in Guidelines Appendix M
- Eligible for 50% Forgivable Loans and Reduced SFAP match

### **Buy America**, Build America

- In addition to American Iron and Steel Requirements
- · Applies to all federal infrastructure funding
- The new requirements are: "(A) all <u>iron and steel</u> used in the project are produced in the United States; (B) the <u>manufactured products</u> used in the project are produced in the United States; (C) the <u>construction</u> <u>materials</u> used in the project are produced in the United States."



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#### **Buy America**, Build America

- Builds on the existing American Iron and Steel requirement.
- Implementation guidance is still being developed.
- Waivers from the requirement are available.
- There will be a phase-in process.



## **How Can YOU Prepare for Funding?**

- Have a project.
- Understand your problem and it's causes.
- · Have a plan.
- Have a plan that adds value:
  - Does your project solve your problem?
  - Is this project the best way to solve the problem?
- SYNC Introductory Value Planning Guide

https://deptofcommrce.app.box.com/v/SyncValuePlanningGuide

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