

Call for Projects Proposition 1 (2014), Round 2, IRWM Implementation Grant Opportunity

Submit all requested information and documents by April 28, 2022 @ 5pm.

Background:

Proposition 1 was passed in 2014, allocating \$510 million for IRWM projects across the State. These funds were allocated regionally in Prop 1 by Funding Area, with the Central Coast total being \$43 million. The San Luis Obispo County IRWM Region is a member of the Central Coast Funding Area (CCFA). Along with the other CCFA regions, SLO County entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to divide these funds equitably. Based on this agreement, the total Prop 1 IRWM funding available to the San Luis Obispo County Region was \$7.7 million, as shown in table 1. Proposition 1, Round 2, Implementation Grant (P1R2) is the last planned funding opportunity for the IRWM Program.

| | Total Prop 1 Funds | DAC Implementation | General Implementation |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Planning Grant (2016) | \$ 204,183 | n/a | n/a |
| DAC Involvement (2017) | \$ 938,570 | n/a | n/a |
| Round 1 Implementation Grant (2019) | \$ 2,782,130 | \$ 274,500 | \$ 2,507,630 |
| Round 2 Implementation Grant (2022) | \$ 3,782,129 | \$ 499,599 | \$ 3,282,530 |
| Total for SLO Region (Per CCFA MOA) | \$ 7,707,012 | \$ 774,099 | \$ 5,790,160 |

Table 1 – Prop 1 IRWM Funding for San Luis Obispo County Region

Grant Project Solicitation Summary

DWR is preparing to release the final Project Solicitation Package (PSP) in the coming weeks, formally initiating the grant opportunity. In advance of those documents, District staff is initiating the local solicitation of projects, rather than wait for the final PSP and potentially be in a rush to complete the process. <u>When the final PSP is released by DWR, a summary of changes will be promptly provided to the RWMG.</u>

This Call for Projects is based off the draft PSP provided by the State in December of 2021. As shown in table 1, DWR is expecting to award the remainder of the Prop 1 funding. Note, these numbers reflect the changes made to the Round 1 Implementation Grant as recommended by the RWMG in October 2021 and authorized by the Board of Supervisors in November 2021.

Project sponsors are *highly encouraged* to visit <u>http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/irwm</u> and review the following reference information, available in the "P1R2 Call for Projects" section:

- "Draft 2022 IRWM Grant Program Guidelines" by DWR.
- *"Draft Round 2 Implementation Grant PSP" by DWR.*
 - Including Attachments 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7
- Additional refs. including SLO County's comments on Draft PSP, Past award summary, etc.



Schedule of Local Solicitation

The schedule for our local solicitation is as follows:

- 1. <u>April 7 28, 2022</u>. Call for projects is open (21 days).
- 2. <u>April 28 29, 2022</u>. Eligibility Screening by staff.
- <u>May 4, 2022, Project Showcase @ Joint WRAC and RWMG Meeting, 1:30pm 3:30pm</u>. Applications will present projects to members and public stakeholders (more details below).
- 4. <u>May 5 6, 2022</u>. Initial project scoring by staff-level team.
- 5. <u>*May TBD*</u>. RWMG Working Group meeting to finalize scores and prepare funding recommendation
- 6. <u>June 1, 2022 @ RWMG Meeting, 10am 12pm</u>. Members to vote on the projects and funding recommendation by the Working Group for the DWR application.
- 7. June 1, 2022 @ WRAC Meeting, 1:30pm 3:30pm. Per our program MOU.

Note: this schedule may be altered after the final grant documents come out by DWR.

Requirements for Project Sponsors

Project sponsors must be willing to adopt the 2019 IRWM Plan prior to submittal of the final application to DWR.

Project sponsors must complete & submit the following to Brendan Clark by **5pm April 28th**:

- Project Information Form (PIF)
- Objectives and Climate Change Worksheet
- No more than two (2) presentation slides that include basic project details, need for the project and requested grant amount (PPT or PDF format).
- Forms are available at the <u>P1R2 Call For Projects Website.</u>¹

Project Showcase at May 4th Joint WRAC and RWMG Meeting

Project sponsors must be prepared to give a brief (~2min) presentation on their project at the May 4th Joint WRAC and RWMG meeting during the "IRWM Project Showcase". This will be the opportunity for the entire WRAC and RWMG to learn about the submitted projects.

Thank you for your interest and participation in IRWM in San Luis Obispo County!

For more information, please contact:

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¹ <u>https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Integrated-Regional-Water-Management-(IRWM)/P1R2-Call-For-Projects.aspx</u>