

Brendan Clark

Subject: RE: [EXT]RE: Updates & Questions - IRWM Prop 1, Round 2 - Please Respond.

FYI - City of Pismo Beach was awarded \$14,124,000 on August 18th by the US Bureau of Reclamation for Central Coast Blue.

<https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/4296>



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From: Rob Morrow <rmorrow@wsc-inc.com>

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Cc: Joey Steil <JSteil@co.slo.ca.us>; Michael Steele <msteele@wsc-inc.com>; Justin Pickard <jpickard@wsc-inc.com>

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Thanks for the update. Here are our responses...

- 1) Since applying, has there been any update to the funding of the project?
 - a. Specifically, has the project secured a non-State funding source?

We applied for USBR Title XVI funding on March 15 and Prop 1 GWGP funding July 15. We have not received a response for either program but will let you know when we do

- 2) Since applying, has there been any updates to the project permitting?
 - a. For example, project secured CUP or encroachment permit.

We have engaged with permitting agencies but have not secured any additional permits

- 3) Is your project subject to NEPA? Yes or no.
 - a. If yes, is NEPA complete?

Since funding is being pursued through USBR's Title XVI WIIN Act Program and the SWRCB's CWSRF, a CEQA-Plus document was prepared to help facilitate NEPA compliance. The Project initiated NEPA compliance efforts with USBR in January 2022. We are working with USBR representatives to meet NEPA documentation requirements.

- 4) What is the status of the design of the project?
 - a. What % plans are complete?

30% currently being reviewed by project proponents

- 5) Is there any change to the status of legal access / easements for the project, if applicable?

We have engaged with public and private property owners but have not secured easements and legal access yet

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From: Brendan Clark <BClark@co.slo.ca.us>
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Subject: Updates & Questions - IRWM Prop 1, Round 2 - Please Respond.

Thanks again for applying for the IRWM Prop 1, Round 2 Grant.

(This email has been sent to each submitting agency)

A few status updates notes and questions for you to respond to in the next few days.

Status & Schedule Update:

- The Working Group is preparing for their upcoming meeting to recommend a suite of projects to move ahead in the application process.
- This meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 24th at 10am. We will be meeting in the conference room of the SLO City/County Library.
 - Your attendance is not required
- It is anticipated that the Working Group will recommend 3-5 projects for the application. From there, the schedule is anticipated to be:
 - RWMG, September 7th, 10am: The RWMG will be expected to vote to recommend this suite of projects to the Board of Supervisors.
 - WRAC, October 5th, 1:30pm: The WRAC will vote whether or not to recommend the suite of projects to the Board.
 - Board of Supervisors, Nov 8 or Dec 6, 9am: the BOS will consider authorizing the Director of Public works to file the application or not.
 - Application is due February 1, 2023 to DWR.

Supplemental Questions:

We acknowledge that since the initial project submittals in March, projects may have achieved milestones that could affect scoring. **With that, can you please respond by Friday at Noon, August 19th to the following Questions:**

- 1) Since applying, has there been any update to the funding of the project?
 - a. Specifically, has the project secured a non-State funding source?
- 2) Since applying, has there been any updates to the project permitting?
 - a. For example, project secured CUP or encroachment permit.
- 3) Is your project subject to NEPA? Yes or no.
 - a. If yes, is NEPA complete?
- 4) What is the status of the design of the project?
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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,



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