#### STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (DFA)



#### Providing Financial Assistance for Projects that Serve the Water Boards' Mission: Preserve, Enhance, and Restore California's Water Resources

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### **PRESENTATION TOPICS**

- Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
- Storm Water Grant Program
- Cleanup and Abatement Account
- 319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant Program
- Discretionary Contract Funds
- Proposition 1 Funding Programs through other Agencies
- Note Funding a coordinated/comprehensive HAB program with existing funding resources is not straightforward; requires re-direction from other priority efforts

#### CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) PROGRAM

- Low interest financing for water quality projects
- Fund over \$400 million/year
- Applications accepted on a continuous basis
- Funding for:
  - Wastewater and Water Recycling Projects
    - Wastewater treatment
    - Local sewers
    - Sewer interceptors
    - Water reclamation facilities
  - Expanded Use Projects
    - Nonpoint source (NPS) projects identified in CA's NPS Plan
    - Estuary projects
    - Stormwater reduction and treatment facilities, etc

#### **CWSRF PROGRAM: FINANCING TERMS**

• Interest Rate:

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> most recent General Obligation Bond Sale at time of funding commitment (typical range: 2 - 3%)

Financing Term:

Up to 30 years or the useful life of the project

Repayment:

Annual payments begin 1 year after completion of construction

Principal Forgiveness (PF)\* available to municipalities

#### DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (DWSRF) PROGRAM

- Low interest financing for drinking water projects
- Fund over \$400 million/year
- Applications accepted on a continuous basis
- Funding for:
  - Projects that return public water systems to compliance with drinking water standards
  - Consolidation
  - Water meters
  - Treatment projects
  - Replacement of aged water transmission or distribution mains, groundwater wells, or other infrastructure

### DWSRF PROGRAM: FINANCING TERMS

• Interest Rate:

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> most recent General Obligation Bond Sale at time of funding commitment (typical range: 2 - 3%)

Financing Term:

Up to 20 years / 30 years for Disadvantaged Communities

Repayment:

Annual payments begin 1 year after completion of construction

- "Set-aside"\* part of capitalization grant from US EPA that funds various activities (could fund source water assessment);
- Also, Principal Forgiveness loans available

## CLEANUP & ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA)

- Grants for the cleanup of waste or abate the effects
  of a waste
- The CAA is supported by court judgments and administrative civil liabilities assessed by State Water Board the Regional Water Boards
- Many different types of monitoring, planning, and implementation projects have been funded by the CAA
- Only drought emergency drinking water projects and emergency cleanup projects are currently being funded

### CLEANUP & ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA) - Interim Emergency Drinking Water Program

- \$19 million from CAA for interim emergency drinking water
  - \$4 million contaminated water supply (DACs only)
  - \$15 million drought-related drinking water emergencies or threatened emergencies

## **CAA- Interim Emergency Drinking Water**

- Eligible Entities
  - Public Agencies
  - Not-for-Profit Organizations
  - Tribal Governments
  - Community Water Systems
- Eligible Project Examples
  - Bottled, Hauled Water
  - Well Repair/Rehabilitation, Well Replacement
  - Emergency Interties, Consolidation
  - Vending Machines
  - Treatment Systems





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# Proposition 1 STORM WATER GRANT PROGRAM

- \$200 million for grants for multi-benefit (water quality/ supply, flood control, open space) storm water management projects
- Eligible Applicants: public agencies, 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, public utilities, tribes, and mutual water companies
- 50% local match requirement
  - Cannot be state grant funds
  - May waive or reduce for DACs



## Proposition 1 STORM WATER GRANT PROGRAM

- ~\$25 million available from older bonds in addition to Prop 1
- Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS) Funding\*\*
  - Approximately \$15 million for projects benefiting ASBS
  - Projects must be eligible types consistent with Prop 1 Guidelines and included in an ASBS Compliance Plan
  - **Clean Beaches Funding** 
    - Approximately \$10 million for projects benefiting Clean beaches and coastal waters
    - Projects must be eligible types consistent with Prop 1 Guidelines and included in an SWRP
- Submit an application through the Prop 1 Storm water program for ASBS or Clean Beaches funding



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### Proposition 1 STORM WATER GRANT PROGRAM

#### Implementation Grants

- 2 solicitations: \$250,000 \$10 million per project
  - Round 1 (\$80 million + \$25 million ASBS/Clean Beaches): Closes July 8, 2016, awards Fall 2016
  - Round 2 (\$86 million): Tentatively scheduled for 2018
  - Eligible projects must
    - Be included in a SWRP submitted to the IRWM Region
      - SWRP due within 90 days of SWGP implementation grant award
      - If SWRP not required (small DAC), project must be in IRWM Plan
    - Respond to climate change, contribute to regional water security, contain multiple benefits, and be designed to infiltrate, filter, store, evaporate, treat, or retain storm water or dry weather runoff

#### Clean Water Act section 319(h) Nonpoint Source funds

- Approximately \$8 million / year
- 50% of funds must be used for implementation of watershedbased plans in watersheds with impaired waters\*\* (Watershed Project Funds)
- Remaining 50% may be spent on planning, assessment, management, and statewide NPS programs and projects (NPS Program Funds)
- State generally relies on NPS Program Funds to support NPS staff

#### Clean Water Act section 319(h) Nonpoint Source funds

- <u>Watershed project funds</u> can be used for following types of monitoring to assess:
  - Water quality in National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI) watersheds
  - Effectiveness of on-the-ground activities to improve water quality
  - <u>NPS program funds</u> must be used for following types of monitoring:
    - To identify nonpoint sources of pollution,
    - To support the development of a Watershed-based Plan or acceptable alternative plan, or a NPS or mixed source Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)
    - To evaluate restoration of NPS-impaired waters following implementation of NPS pollution control project(s) funded by § 319 or other sources

#### Clean Water Act section 319(h) Nonpoint Source funds

- Other funding considerations for implementation and/or monitoring projects:
  - Must be related to initiatives in 2014-2020 NPS
    Program Implementation Plan
  - Must address a program preference, which are identified by regions prior to each round of proposals
  - Must address a targeted waterbody and targeted pollutant identified in the 2014-2020 NPS Program Implementation Plan

#### **Discretionary Contract Funds**

- State Water Board has about \$4 million in discretionary funds for contracts
- Annual process by State Water Board and Regional Water Boards to identify priority projects
  - One HAB related project may be funded this year

# Proposition 1 Other Funding Agencies

- Department of Water Resources
  - \$510 million to projects identified in Integrated Regional Water Management Plans (12 Funding regions) (Chapter 7 of Prop 1)
  - Funds projects associated with risks to water supply and water infrastructure arising from climate change
  - Contributes to regional water security
- Multiple Conservancies
  - \$327.5 million for multibenefit water quality, water supply, and watershed protection and restoration projects
- Also see Resources Agency web site:
  <u>http://resources.ca.gov/docs/bonds\_and\_grants/Agency\_Grants\_and\_Loans\_November\_2015.pdf</u>







# Questions

Groundwater Grant Program

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