

Prop 1 IRWM Implementation Grant Project Eligibility - OWOW Program Policy

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IRWM is a collaborative effort to manage all aspects of water resources in a region. IRWM crosses jurisdictional, watershed and political boundaries; involves multiple agencies, stakeholders, individuals and groups; and attempts to address the issues and differing perspectives of all entities involved through mutually beneficial solutions. Our goal is to seek benefits which improve the entire watershed and are not achieved at the expense or detriment of another.

Applicants is required to describe how the project:

- Applicant meets all statutory requirements, as was the case in all prior rounds, including grant recipient eligibility and project eligibility, including:
 - IRWM region acceptance through the Regional Acceptance Process (SAWPA has complied)
 - Project must be consistent with the OWOW Plan Update 2018
 - Project proponents must adopt the OWOW Plan Update 2018
 - Groundwater Management Plan compliance
 - Urban Water Management Planning Act compliance
 - Agriculture Water Management Plan compliance
 - Surface Water Diversion Reporting compliance
 - AB 1420 compliance
 - SBX 7-7 compliance
 - CWC Section 529.5 compliance
 - CWC Section 10920 compliance
 - CWC Section 10562(b)(7) compliance (for stormwater projects).
- Is an integrated project that benefits the entire watershed or a significant sub-watershed in the region, will be completed with active participation of multiple agencies and/or NGOs or other stakeholders, produces a net benefit to the Watershed and has no unreasonable negative impacts on others?
- Is a sustainable project that is resilient to changing conditions in the watershed?
- Provides multiple benefits and includes two or more of the following elements:
 - Water supply reliability, water conservation, and water use efficiency
 - Stormwater capture, storage, clean-up, treatment, and management
 - Removal of invasive non-native species, the creation and enhancement of wetlands, and the acquisition, protection, and restoration of open space and watershed lands
 - Non-point source pollution reduction, management, and monitoring
 - Groundwater recharge and management projects
 - Contaminant and salt removal through reclamation, desalting, and other treatment technologies and conveyance of reclaimed water for distribution to users
 - Water banking in the Watershed, exchange, reclamation, and improvement of water quality
 - Multipurpose flood and storm water management programs
 - Watershed protection and management
 - Drinking water treatment and distribution
 - Ecosystem and fisheries restoration and protection.
- Is consistent with the implementation of the California Water Action Plan.
- Implements the OWOW Plan Update 2018 as adopted by the SAWPA Commission.
- Complies with eligibility requirements contained within a specific Proposal Solicitation Package.