

Overview of 2014 IRWM Drought Solicitation

“New” Requirements

- Human Right to Water
- Ag Water Management Plans
- CASGEM
 - Address at project proponent & applicant level
 - Targeting high & medium priority basins

Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP)

- Most of the changes occurred in the PSP
- Main revisions
 - Eligible projects must be:
 - One of the 11 IRWM Project Elements, in addition to:
 - Immediate drought preparedness
 - Water supply reliability and delivery of safe drinking water
 - Locally not cost effective water conservation programs and water conservation measures
 - Water Quality or ecosystem conflict created by the drought

PSP Revisions

- Eligible costs
 - Reimbursement back to drought declared (1/17/14)
 - Past costs date from 1/1/2010
- Limited number of words/project
- # of Pages – Was 68; Now 38
- # of Attachments – Was 13; Now 8
- # of Tables – Was 20; Now 9

Attachment 1

- Eligibility Criterion consolidated & updated
 - Authorizing Documentation
 - Eligible Applicant Documentation
 - Project Consistency with an adopted IRWM Plan
 - Urban Water Management Compliance
 - Agricultural Water Management Compliance
 - Surface Water Diverter Compliance
 - Groundwater Management Compliance
 - CASGEM Compliance
 - Water Conservation Programs and Measures

Attachment 2

- Drought Impacts
 - Discuss the drought issues
 - Discuss how the proposed projects help
 - 2014 Drought
 - Possible Drought/Dry Year in 2015

Attachment 3

- Project Justification
 - Project Description
 - Regional Map and Project Map
 - Project Physical benefits
 - Technical Analysis of Physical Benefits Claimed
 - Annual Project Costs
 - Cost effectiveness – No economic analysis
 - Monitoring of Project Performance

Attachments 4-6

- Work Summary, Schedule, and Budget
 - Work Plan not required with Application
 - Will need to be submitted within 30 days of award notification
 - Along with other items or risk award

Attachment 7

- Program Preferences
 - Major change in how scored
 - Tie breaker

Review and Scoring Process

- Significant changes made, in particular to scoring methodology
- Series of Y/N questions
- Score by project
- Average over all projects

Public Comment Period

- Public Workshops
- May 7, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. - Ventura
- May 9, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. - Fresno
- May 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
 - CalEPA Building
 - Byron Sher Auditorium
 - 1001 I Street
 - Sacramento, CA 95814
 - Webcast at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>
- Comments Due May 15, 2014

Questions and Answer

<http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/implementation.cfm>