

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

Drinking Water Advisory Group

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Changes – Status – Future

- 💧 **Quality Improvement “Lean”**
- 💧 **Status of current loan cycle**
- 💧 **Accelerating the repayment funds**
- 💧 **Maximizing the resource**
- 💧 **Challenges for systems and for the department**
- 💧 **Next Steps – Give us your feedback**

Lean – 2012 Loan Cycle

- 💧 **Focus: From Application to Contract**
 - Make the application process easier, faster
 - Reduce time for us to process and score
 - Reduce time needed to get from draft loan list to contract execution

- 💧 **Results (2012)**
 - Cut two months off the process
 - Created two paths: No conditions – go first
 - Identified “parking lot” issues for further review (e.g., **contracting/financial administration**)

Getting more funding out

- 💧 **Acceleration of the repayment account**
 - Typical federal grant award is \$17-22 million
 - Typical amount we provide is \$50-70 million
 - Typical 'ask' is \$100 million

- 💧 **Maximizing resources workgroup**
 - State and federal funders meet monthly
 - Interest rates, application cycles, leveraging funds available
 - **Maximizing federal funds**

Status of current cycle

2012

- \$70M offered
- 44 projects were funded
- We accelerated the repayment account and awarded \$96M
- 34 eligible projects were not funded

2013

- \$100M offered
- 42 applicants
- We expect to fund all eligible projects (35) plus 16 projects not funded in 2012

Challenges

- 💧 **Unliquidated Obligations (ULO)**
 - Timing issues
 - Accounting practices
 - Loan recipient invoicing
- 💧 **Federal crosscutters/requirements**
 - **Cultural & archaeological**
 - Davis-Bacon / green projects / subsidy
- 💧 **No state policy to spend federal first**
- 💧 **New initiatives**
- 💧 **Staff turnover**

Your take

- 💧 **Additional streamlining – Strategic Plan**
 - What are some of the barriers you experience?
 - What would you most like us to focus on?
- 💧 **Shifting to a fall cycle**
 - **Second “quick” DWSRF round this fall?**
 - Cut the ‘how to apply’ workshops?
 - Higher cap (currently \$12M)?
 - Other ideas?
- 💧 **Readiness to proceed criteria?**
- 💧 **Promote SRF funding first?**
- 💧 **Move financial administration to us?**