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Water Storage, Groundwater Storage, Water Conveyance

Assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and source substitution
Water Storage, Groundwater Storage, and Conveyance Projects

Eligible Projects

- Storage/conveyance projects with existing feasibility study or construction authorization
- Secretary must determine the project feasible and with benefits proportionate to federal investment.

Cost Share

- 75% minimum non-Federal cost share required for non-Federal projects
- 50% minimum non-Federal cost share required for federally owned projects

Funding

- $1.05B

Section

- 40901(1), 40902
Small Water Storage & Groundwater Storage Projects

*Competitive Grant Program*

**Eligible Entity**
- Non-Federal project sponsor in Reclamation States including Alaska and Hawaii (Indian Tribes, municipalities, water districts, NGOs, etc.)
- **Eligible Projects**
  - Storage capacity between 2,000 acre-feet and 30,000 acre-feet; and
  - increases surface water or groundwater storage; or
  - conveys water, directly or indirectly, to or from surface water or groundwater storage.

**Cost Share**
- Minimum 75% non-Federal cost share required

**Awards**
- Up to 25% of total project costs
- Maximum of $30 M per project

*Funding opportunity announcement expected in calendar year 2022.*

**Funding**
- $100M

**Section**
- 40901(1), 40903
Assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and source substitution

Eligible Entities

- Indian Tribes, States (including subdivision and departments of a State), or a public agency organized pursuant to State law.

Eligible Projects

- Reclamation to provide technical and/or financial assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and recovery, or water source substitution for aquifer protection.
- Financial Assistance for construction: Secretary must determine the project feasible and with benefits proportionate to federal investment.
  - Projects with total estimated cost of $500 M+ require Congressional authorization.
- Technical Assistance: Standard process.

Cost Share

- 75% minimum non-Federal cost share required for non-Federal projects
- 50% minimum non-Federal cost share required for federally owned projects

Funding
- N/A

Section
- 40910
Questions

• Next Session is on January 7, 2022
  • Sections 40901 (authorization of appropriations, rural water, all), 40904 (critical maintenance/aging infrastructure), 40909 (use of coronavirus recovery funds) and Division G (Indian Water Rights Settlement Completion fund)

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