

Title XVI Research FOA Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Are authorized Title XVI project sponsors eligible to apply under the research FOA?

A. Yes. An authorized project sponsor is eligible as long as the Federal funding requested for research does not exceed the Federal cost share ceiling identified in the project authorization.

Q. How can universities, private individuals, or consultants apply for funding to deploy and test new technologies under the research FOA?

A. Researchers, academic institutions, non-profits, individuals, and consultants are not eligible to apply directly, but are encouraged to partner with eligible entities to conduct research as part of the research team.

Q. Is the research FOA open to applicants researching the development of a novel or innovative treatment technology?

A. No. Research to develop novel treatment technologies is conducted under the Desalination and Water Purification Research Program. This competition is focused on applicants pursuing planning related research to assist in establishing or expanding water reuse markets, improving existing water reuse facilities, or streamlining the implementation of state of the art technology for new facilities

Q. How is state of the art technology defined?

For the purposes of this FOA, state of the art is defined as the latest and most advanced technologies or processes currently available in the industry for deployment and implementation. State of the art technology does not include innovative technologies or processes that are currently under development through pilot or demonstration research efforts.

Q. Is funding available under this FOA for feasibility studies or permanent construction?

A. No. Separate funding opportunities are available in the Title XVI Program for development of new water reclamation or reuse feasibility studies and planning, design, or permanent construction of authorized Title XVI projects.