# Texas Water Development Board Financial Assistance

# Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Replacement Program

Funding for projects and associated activities directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines.

Project Priority Invitation State Fiscal Year 2023







## Popular TWDB Financial Assistance Programs

**Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Federal** 

**State Water Implementation Fund for Texas** (SWIFT)

**Drinking Water State Revolving** Fund (DWSRF)

**Federal** 



**Texas Water Development Fund (DFund)** 

**Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP)** 

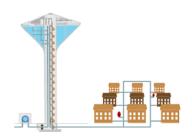
Flood Infrastructure **Fund (FIF)** 

**Agricultural Water** Conservation **Grant and Loan Program** 

State **Participation Program** 



## DWSRF Eligible Applicants



- Public & Privately Owned Water Systems
  - Cities, Counties, Districts, Water Authorities...

- Nonprofit Water Supply Corporations
- Nonprofit, Non-Community Public Water Systems

## Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA)

**DWSRF** - Established in 1996 as part of amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act. Low-cost financial assistance is available including loan forgiveness.

- **IIJA** Supplement to the existing Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
  - **New Funding Categories** 
    - Lead Service Line Replacement PIF Due May 23





## **Examples of Eligible LSLR Projects**

- Development or updating of lead service line inventories
- Non-routine lead sampling (if not for compliance purposes)
- Inventory methods; observation, excavation, vacuum, analysis
- Planning and design for infrastructure projects
- Complete removal of lead service lines
- Removal of lead/galvanized goosenecks, pigtails, connectors
- Replacement of curb stops, and curb stop boxes
- Temporary pitcher filters or point-of-use (POU) devices
- Site restoration, including landscaping, sidewalks, driveways

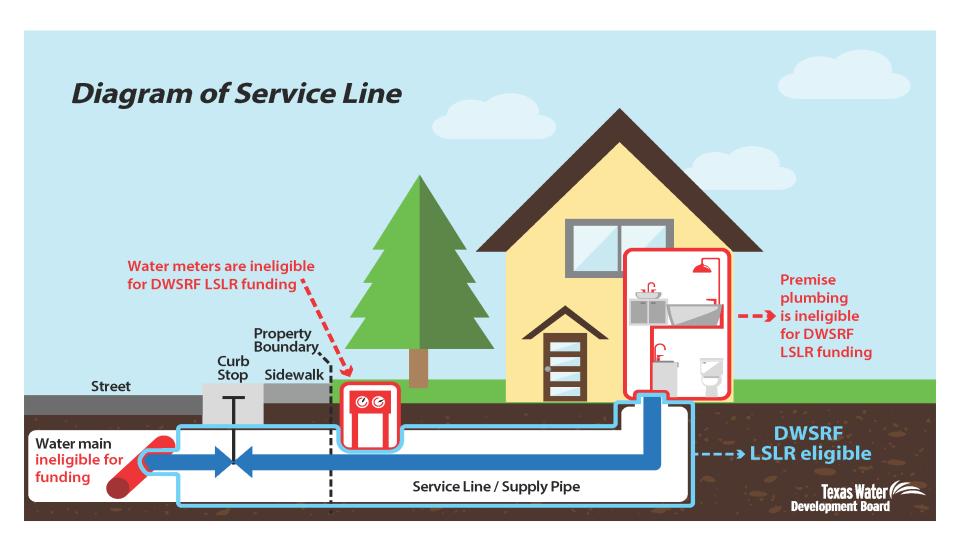




## **Example of DWSRF Service Line**

Water meters, mains, and premise plumbing replacements are ineligible for funding under

this specific DWSRF LSLR program.



## LSLR IUP Principal Forgiveness / Loan Ratio

A total of \$213,455,000 is available for projects under the SFY 2023 LSLR Intended Use Plan (IUP).

An entity's project must meet the disadvantaged criteria to receive funding under this (IUP).

All financing will be made at the ratio of 51% principal loan forgiveness and 49% loan including the financed 2.0% loan origination fee.

Dollars and percentages will be different for SFY24.



## **EXAMPLE Forgiveness / Loan Ratio**

All financing will be made at the ratio of 51% principal forgiveness and 49% loan including the financed 2.0% loan origination fee.

> \$100,000 project \$49,980 loan (49%) + (2.0% origination fee \$980) \$51,000 principal loan forgiveness (51%)









## Federal Requirements and Assurance

- Davis-Bacon Wage Rate Requirements
- American Iron and Steel (AIS)
- Build America, Buy America Act, 2021 (BABA)
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Accounting Principles as issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board
- Public Awareness Signage
- \*Federal Procurement Disadvantaged Business

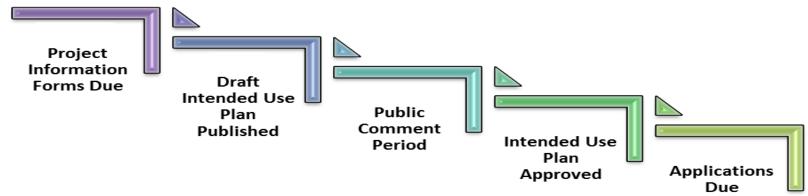
**Enterprise Program** 





## LSLR Funding Cycle

Major steps in the production of the LSLR Intended Use Plan FFY 2022 Allotment



#### **Timeline Estimate:**

- 1. Project Information Form (PIF) Due May 23, 2023
- 2. Draft IUP July 2023
- 3. Public Comment Period July 10-25, 2023
- 4. IUP Approved August 10, 2023
- 5. Invitations to submit formal applications October 2023
- 5. Formal Applications due within 4-months December Target









# Public Comment Period Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Replacement Funding Draft Intended Use Plan with Project Lists

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is holding a second period of public review and comment before the approval and adoption of the draft State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023 State Revolving Fund (SRF) Intended Use Plan (IUP) for the Federal Fiscal Year 2022/SFY 2023 Lead Service Line Replacement Funding. This draft IUP includes the ranked Project Priority List.

The main revision from the initial draft IUP is the addition of a Reserve for Construction-Ready projects. Construction-ready means the entity has identified specific lead service lines to be replaced or is currently underway with replacing lead service lines. The TWDB would reserve \$53,400,000 of the project amount for commitments, including the loan origination fee, for projects that TWDB determines are construction-ready, with a limit of up to \$10,680,000 in total commitments including the loan origination fee per entity or project for funding under this reserve. From the reserve, TWDB would prioritize \$32,040,000 for entities that have identified specific lead service lines to be replaced and \$21,360,000 for entities that are currently underway with replacing lead service lines.

The documents are available online:

Draft SFY 2023 DWSRF Lead SLR IUP and 2023 DWSRF Lead SLR Project Rating Details

This period of public review and comment begins June 29, 2023, and ends on **July 17, 2023**. If you wish to present comments concerning the Draft SFY 2023 DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement IUP to the TWDB, you have three options:

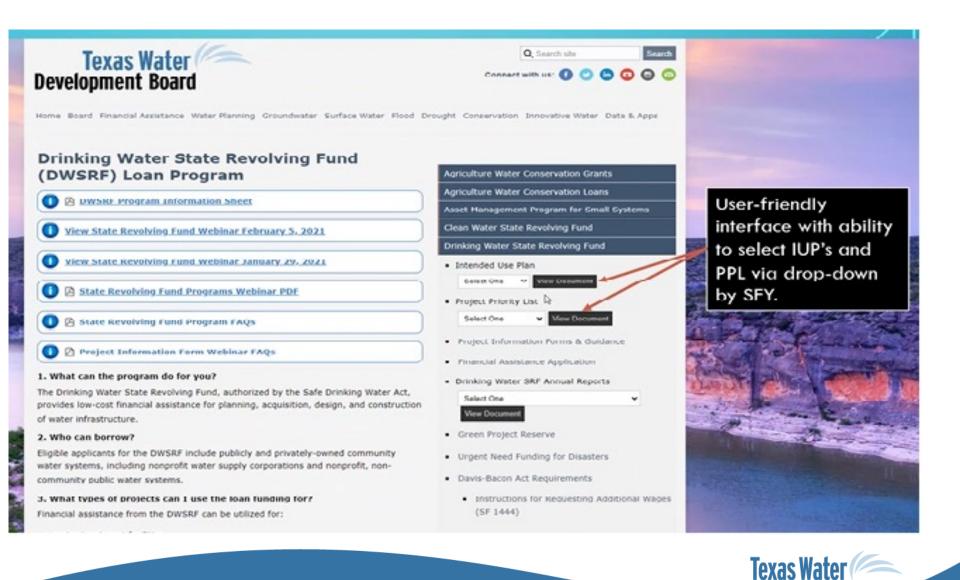
- Emailing comments to the following electronic mail address and specifying in the subject line "DWSRF LSLR comments" <u>DWSRF@twdb.texas.gov</u>
- 2. Submit written comments to the following postal mail address:

Mr. Mark Wyatt Director, Program Administration and Reporting Texas Water Development Board P.O. Box 13231 Austin, TX 78711

 Attend a public hearing on July 17, 2023, at 9:30 A.M. at the Stephen F. Austin State Office Building, Room 170, in Austin, Texas.

For assistance regarding the DWSRF program, please contact Heather O'Keefe at 512-475-1835. You can also email the program at <u>DWSRF@twdb.texas.gov</u>.

## Intended Use Plan (IUP)







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## SFY24

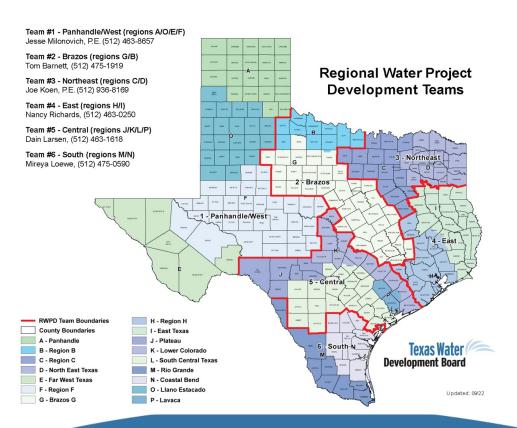
What is the capacity dollar amount for the second round of funding? Not sure

What is the timeline for SFY24 PIF solicitation? TBD

### **TWDB Contacts & Resources**

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## **Resources Links**

- **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program** www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/DWSRF/index.asp
- **DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement Program** www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/Lead-SLR/index.asp
- Federal Procurement Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/DBE/index.asp
- \* TCEQ Lead and Copper Program www.tceq.texas.gov/drinkingwater/chemicals/lead\_copper
- \* EPA Lead and Copper Rule www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/lead-and-copper-rule
- \* EPA Lead Removal Funding Guide www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-12/documents/ej lslr funding sources-final.pdf