



# MassDEP Bureau of Water Resources

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## MEET THE GRANTS

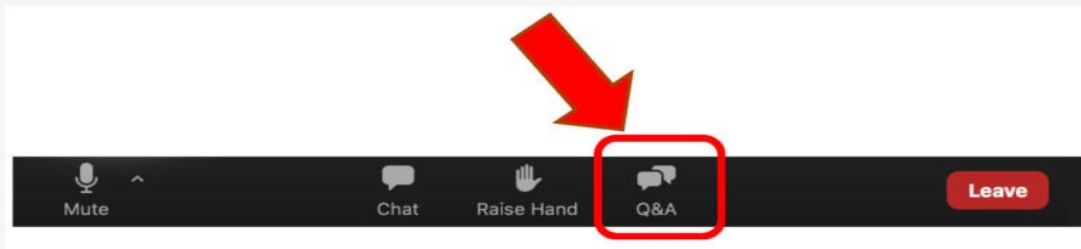
June 12, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.

# Webinar Instructions for Q&A

## Zoom Webinar

Hover mouse or tap screen for menu bar.

Click or tap on Q&A  icon to access dialog box.



Type question into dialog box then click **send**.

Your submitted question will be displayed with other attendees' submitted questions to the host and panelists. Questions will be answered during two Q&A periods as time allows.

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Email your questions to  
**[andrew.andresco@mass.gov](mailto:andrew.andresco@mass.gov)**  
during the event

## If viewing after the event:

Email **[courtney.starling@mass.gov](mailto:courtney.starling@mass.gov)** for further assistance.



# Workshop Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Applicant 101
3. Application Q&A
4. FY26 Grant Introductions
5. Grant Q&A

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# Applicant 101

Doing business with the  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

# What do you need to apply?

## COMMBUYS REGISTRATION:

1. Business legal name, legal address, email, and tax ID number + Unique Entity ID Number (federal contracts only)
2. Select at least one United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) – Grants are 00-00-00 & Environmental Protection is 77-11-00
3. Enter business type (municipalities are “other”)
4. Enter multiple email addresses to improve awareness of opportunities and process milestones

**Register with COMMBUYS and never miss a grant opportunity or update**

## EASY TO MISS DIRECTIONS

Eligible Entities

Eligible Projects

Page Limits

Submission Instructions

Review Evaluation Criteria

Due Dates

## APPLICATION TIPS

Follow the format

Use provided budget tables

Increase competitiveness by doing “encouraged” items

Be specific about how the project meets the evaluation criteria and program objectives in the RFR

Be strategic with attachments

**Project questions? Contact us.**

**We can help *before* RFRs are posted & *after* applications are due!**



If awarded a grant, DEP will be in contact to inform you and begin the intake process for contracts.

Be sure you know your legal address!

Form	Signature Type	Required	Caution
Standard Contract Form (SCF)	Digital or Original	Always	Local rules determine who can sign SCF
Contractor Authorized Signatory Listing (CASL)	Digital or Original	Always	Signatories on every form must be on this form
Scope of Work	None	Always	Scope end date should match contract end date
W9 + Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)	Digital or Original	Always	Make sure the signatory also signs the CASL
Settlement & Release	Original Signature	If allowed	Requires proof of project start date & purchases

**Contract Forms – Always available online!**  
<https://www.macomptroller.org/forms/>



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Form <b>W-9</b> (Revised April 2022) Massachusetts Substitute Form W-9	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">▶ <b>Online instructions at: <a href="https://macomptroller.org/wp-content/uploads/instructions_w-9.pdf">macomptroller.org/wp-content/uploads/instructions_w-9.pdf</a></b></p>	<p style="margin: 0;">Give this Form to the requestor or the department you are doing business with.</p>
<p><b>1</b> Business name/Taxpayer (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.</p> <p><b>2</b> Business name/disregarded entity name/dba, if different from above.</p> <p><b>3</b> Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Check the appropriate box in the line above. Do not check this box if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC. If the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner, or if the LLC is a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner, the owner should check the appropriate box.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Partnership</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate</p> </div> </div>	<p><b>4</b> Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on Page 4):</p> <p>Exempt payee code (if any): _____</p> <p>Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any): _____</p> <p><i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i></p>	
<p><b>5</b> Legal Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.</p> <p><b>6</b> City, state, and ZIP code</p> <p><b>7</b> Remittance Address (if different from Legal Address)</p>	<p>Requester's name and address (optional)</p>	
<p><b>8</b> Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)</p> <p>Enter the TIN in the box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 for individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). If you are a sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, which explain how to enter your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a TIN, see the instructions for line 1. Also see <i>What Name and Number to Give the Requester</i> for guidelines on whose number to enter.</p>		
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<p><b>Part II Certification</b></p> <p>Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:</p>		

Form **W-9**  
(Rev. March 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Before you begin.** For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

1

Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)

Form **W-9**  
(Rev. March 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer  
Identification Number and Certification

Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](https://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

**Before you begin.** For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type.  
See *Specific Instructions* on page 3.

1

Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)

2

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.

3a

Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only **one** of the following seven boxes.  

☐ Individual/sole proprietor

☐ C corporation

☐ S corporation

☐ Partnership

☐ Trust/estate

☐ LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) 

**Note:** Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions)

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):  

Exempt payee code (if any)

Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any)

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)

3b

If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, check

5

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.

6

City, state, and ZIP code

7

List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

NOT THIS

**Part I**

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Social security number

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or

Employer identification number

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**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

**Part II**

Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and

2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am not subject to backup withholding.



QUESTIONS?

# MEET THE GRANTS

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# WATERSHED PLANNING PROGRAM

# Water Quality Monitoring Grant

## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

New and ongoing water quality monitoring initiatives that:

- Conduct direct monitoring of rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, and estuaries (surface waters) through field and laboratory work;
- Build capacity (including training and outreach) that improves the organization's ability to monitor surface waters through field and laboratory work; and
- Develop regional and long-term monitoring programs and networks.

### Eligible Expense Examples

- Purchase of monitoring equipment and supplies for field or in-house laboratory use and salary for staff conducting eligible activities
- Fees for external laboratory analysis of samples
- Fees for services that (a) provide direct monitoring by a consultant; (b) develop data management tools that lead to submission of data to MassDEP; and (c) calibrate and repair instruments during the contract period that are used for the proposed project.

**Federally recognized Tribal Nations within the Commonwealth and non-profit organizations with the ability to conduct monitoring activities using technically sound, approvable methodologies**



**FY25: \$200,000 available**  
No match requirement

**RFR Coming Soon!**



Program Staff: Richard Chase & Bob Smith  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# CWA Section 604(b) Water Quality Management Planning Grant



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

- Activities that determine the nature, extent, and causes of water quality issues and to develop plans to restore or protect water quality pursuant to the CWA and Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards.
- Address 2025-2029 Massachusetts NPS Management Plan goals.

### Sample Eligible Projects

- Water quality monitoring & assessment
- Watershed pollutant source assessment
- Implementation planning & design
- Regional NPS Coordinator Program
- Development of 9-element or Alternative Watershed-Based Plans
- Updating CWMP/TWMP to 9-element Watershed-Based Plans
- Regional-scale watershed planning for nitrogen impacted areas

**Regional Planning Agencies,  
Councils Of Government,  
Counties, Conservation  
Districts, Interstate Agencies,  
Tribes, and Municipalities.**



FY 2025: ~TBD  
No Match Required

Next RFP: ~Fall 2025  
Grant Duration: 2 years



Program Staff: Meghan Selby  
meghan.selby@mass.gov

# CWA Section 319 Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

- Implement measures that address the prevention, control, and abatement of NPS pollution;
- Build local capacity to conduct NPS management at watershed scale; and
- Address 2025-2029 Massachusetts NPS Management Plan goals.

### Sample Eligible Projects

- Implementation projects to restore impaired waters or protect healthy waters
- Implementation projects to restore Nitrogen Impacted Coastal Waters
- Regional NPS Coordinators Program
- Agricultural Regional NPS Coordinators Program
- NPS Capacity Building & Technology Transfer

**Any Massachusetts public or private organization and interstate agencies.**



FFY 2025 & 2026: ~TBD  
Non-federal Match: 40% (TBD)

Next RFP: ~Spring 2026  
Grant Duration: 2½ yrs



Program Staff: Malcolm Harper  
malcolm.harper@mass.gov

# NPS Management Forum

**Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**9:30 AM – 12 PM**

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), through the Nonpoint Source (NPS) Management Section in the Watershed Planning Program (WPP), invites you to our annual NPS Management Forum to be held virtually on Thursday, June 26th, 2025, from 9:30 AM to 12 PM.

The NPS Management Forum will introduce you to MassDEP staff in the NPS Management Section and provide an overview of the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section (s.) 604(b) Water Quality Management Planning Grant and CWA s.319 NPS Implementation Grant.

This forum will provide information on the following:

1. the [2025-2029 Massachusetts NPS Management Plan](#),
2. MassDEP's new NPS Capacity Building Tool: [INSPIRE](#) (Ideas for Nonpoint Source Projects: Information, Resources, and Examples), and
3. new updates to the [Massachusetts Watershed-Based Plan \(WBP\) Tool](#).



***Zoom registration link:***

**[https://us06web.zoom.us/join/9128280875?pwd=ZU5lTGpLYTHurp\\_xj8VTdXQ](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/9128280875?pwd=ZU5lTGpLYTHurp_xj8VTdXQ)**

Contact Judy Rondeau at  
[judith.rondeau@mass.gov](mailto:judith.rondeau@mass.gov)  
for questions or  
additional information.

*Please share this  
message with colleagues  
and partners who may be  
interested in attending  
the forum.*

# GROUNDWATER & NPDES PROGRAMS

# Stormwater MS4 Municipal Assistance Grant



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

- Projects (at any stage) that aid in MS4 permit compliance for two or more municipalities for: Planning, Resource sharing, Education and outreach, and/or Implementation

### Sample Eligible Projects

- Assessment tool(s) for identifying retrofit sites;
- Formation of new regional MS4 coalitions in areas where none exist;
- MS4 capital investments, including investments in equipment and electronic resources;
- Data intake and field-certification tool(s) for BMPs/OMPs;
- Outreach and education for (a) public engagement and/or (b) establishment of enterprise funds or utilities;
- Asset management tools for tracking and maintaining stormwater infrastructure such as catch basins, culverts, and BMPs; and/or
- MS4-related job training opportunities that benefit EJ populations.

**Proposals must come from groups of municipalities (two or more), regional planning agencies, or stormwater coalitions and aid in MS4 compliance**



FY25: \$250,000  
No match requirement

**RFR COMING!**



Program Staff: Doug Coppi  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# Natural Resource – Nitrogen Sensitive Area Grant



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

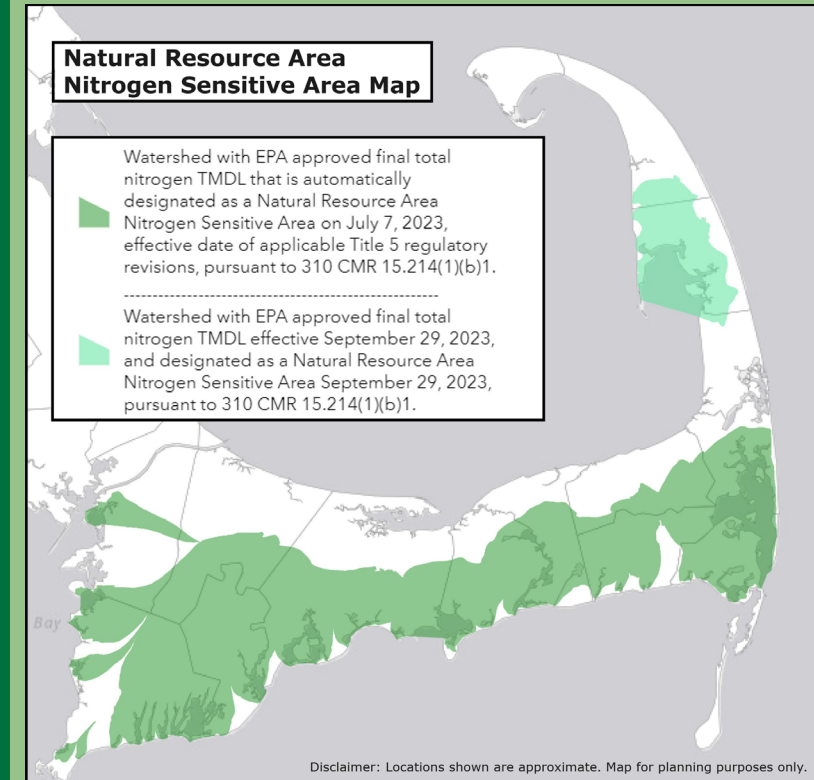
Planning activities that contribute to, or come from a:

- Watershed Management Plan (WMP)
- Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP)
- Comprehensive Water Resource Management Plan (CWRMP)
- Targeted Watershed Plan (TWMP)
- Watershed Permit Application or De Minimis Load Application

### Sample Eligible Projects

- Permit applications & nitrogen load assessments and reduction modeling
- Data analysis of ambient water quality monitoring results
- Permeable reactive barrier design
- Review of ambient water quality monitoring, modeling, and/or other measures for the purpose of demonstrating de minimis load within a watershed

## Municipalities on Cape Cod within a NRNSA watershed



FY25: \$825,000 available  
No match requirement

**RFR COMING!**



Program Staff: Caroline Adamson  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

# Water Management Act Grant

## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

- Planning projects
- Demand management and drought resiliency projects aimed at improving the efficiency of water use within a municipality or a watershed
- Minimization and mitigation projects

### Sample Eligible Projects

- Demand Management Plans & Studies, Drought Management Plans, Firm Yield Studies, and Planning Projects for PFAS impacts on water
- Optimization, alternative sources, and/or Interconnections
- Outdoor water use restrictions, rebates, Water Rate Surveys, demand management projects related to PFAS restricted water suppliers
- Drought management projects (e.g. year-round conservation program, emergency interconnections, seasonal water rates, etc.)
- Shovel ready projects that improve water management

**Public Water Suppliers with a WMA permit, permit application, or registration**



**Fy25: \$1,000,000 Available**  
**20% Match Required**

**\$25,000-\$600,000 per Applicant**  
**RFR Coming**



Program Staff: Jen D'Urso  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# Ipswich River Basin Water Supply and PFAS Grant

## Eligible Activities

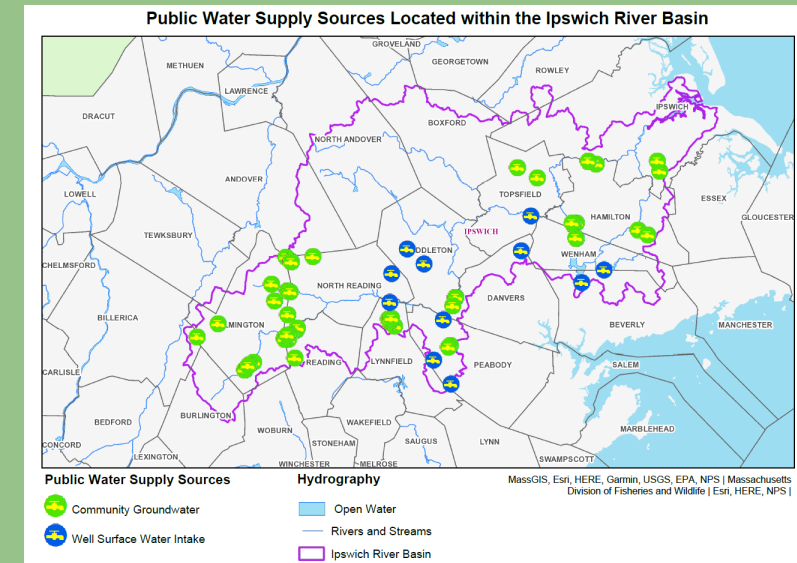
- Reduce the water demand on the Ipswich River; and/or
- Remediate PFAS contamination in the Ipswich River Basin and improve access to clean drinking water.

## Sample Eligible Projects

- Feasibility studies, infrastructure design, water chemistry analyses, permitting & other activities to reduce demand on the Ipswich River.
- Planning, design or permitting of treatment systems that will remediate PFAS contamination
- Shovel-ready construction projects that will remediate PFAS contamination, reduce the water demand on the Ipswich River Basin, and/or provide a connection to another water supply source

## Eligible Entities

**One or more public water suppliers with a WMA permit, application, or registration, with drinking water sources located in the Ipswich River Basin, and provide water for cities and towns.**



Fy25: \$950,000 Available  
No Match Required

**Potentially Offered SFY26**



Program Staff: Jen D'Urso  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# M36 Water Audit Opportunity

## Why Audit?

- Revenue management & setting capital priorities
- Respond to regulations and meet funding requirements
- Waste reduction

## Water Audits

- “Top Down” approach quantifies and assigns \$ value to losses
- “Bottom Up” approach seeks to identify causes of losses

Special consideration is given to public water suppliers that have had a consistently high MassDEP accepted Unaccounted for Water (UAW) percentage and/or have been unable to receive a final water needs forecast from the Department of Conservation and Recreation because of high UAW or other accounting issues.

## Public Water Supply Tools, Resources & Performance Standards

## Eligible Entities

**Any Massachusetts public water supplier or municipality with a valid Water Management Act permit or registration**



FY25: ~\$400,000  
Requires Staff Time

**RFI + Vendor RFR Coming this Fall!**



Program Staff: Jen D’Urso  
Grant Staff: Courtney Starling

# OTHER BWR PROGRAMS

# Ch. 91 Boston Harbor Water Transportation Trust Fund Grants



## Eligible Entities

**Governmental, quasi-governmental or non-profit entities.**

Future grant opportunities are in MassDEP's discretion and depend on the level of funding in the Trust and the requirements in Chapter 91 Waterways licenses contributing funds.

For the 2024 Boston Harbor Water Transportation Trust Fund Grant Opportunity, evaluation criteria, and details on how MassDEP seeks to prioritize the direction of these resources for public benefit, visit: [Boston Harbor Water Transportation Fund Grant | Mass.gov](#)

## Eligible Activities

The MassDEP Chapter 91 Waterways Program seeks grant proposals for projects that support, promote, enhance or expand water transportation to, from, or within certain sites in Boston Harbor. The funding for this grant is tied to site-specific Chapter 91 licenses. Projects receiving funding through this grant program must specifically support or expand water transportation at designated sites. Both existing and proposed projects are eligible for this grant program. Eligible award expenditures are usually incurred over a 2-year period.

## Eligible Projects may include:

- New or expanded ferry service; repair or purchase of water transportation vessels or other related equipment
- Provision of discounted tickets for water transportation services; discounted berthing for public water transit operators to sites
- Trust-designated site infrastructure, maintenance and improvements that facilitate water transportation such as docks and improved signage
- Cultural & Educational Activities utilizing water transportation

Up to \$2,510,000  
No Match Required

**2024 Status:** Reviewing Applications  
**FY26 RFR:** TBD



Contact: [dep.waterways@mass.gov](mailto:dep.waterways@mass.gov)  
Grant Staff: Sylvie Agudelo

# Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activities

- Provide grant funding to PWS and/or communities to plan, design and construct long-term solutions to address emerging contaminants (including PFAS and Manganese).
- Activity Categories identified in Appendix C & D in the EC-SDC Implementation Manual:
  - Research and Testing
  - Planning and Design to Address Emerging Contaminant(s)
  - Treatment of Emerging Contaminant(s)
  - Source Water Activities Related to Emerging Contaminant(s)
  - Storage
  - Workforce Development
  - Water System Restructuring, Interconnection, Consolidation, or Creation
  - Providing Households Access to Drinking Water Services
  - Technical Assistance
  - Public Communication, Engagement, and Education
  - Private Wells Activities

### If interested:

Complete a [Needs Assessment Survey Form](#) and submit to MassDEP's Drinking Water Program (DWP) at [program.director-dwp@mass.gov](mailto:program.director-dwp@mass.gov) (Subject: EC-SDC Grant, PWS ID #). This grant is non-competitive.

Community PWS (publicly- or privately-owned) or non-profit Transient Non-Community (TNC) or Non-Transient Non-Community (NTNC) water systems that are:

- Located in a community in the [Clean Water Trust's Disadvantaged Community Program](#), or
- Serve a population  $\leq 10,000$  if
  - The PWS lacks capacity to incur debt sufficient to finance the project or activity
- Special Eligibility Cases for interconnection or consolidation, or private well connection projects.
- See [EC-SDC Website](#) for more info

FFY22-23: \$38,204,000 (STILL OPEN)  
No Match Required

FFY24: \$19,249,000 (STILL OPEN)  
**Rolling Admissions**



Program Staff: Abby Jacobs  
Grant Staff: Janine Bishop,  
Andrew Andresco

# Small, Underserved, and Disadvantaged Communities Drinking Water Grant



## Eligible Entities

Community PWS (publicly- or privately-owned) or non-profit Transient Non-Community (TNC) or Non-Transient Non-Community (NTNC) water systems that are:

- Located in a community consider disadvantage as per [Clean Water Trust's Disadvantaged Community Program definition](#), and,
- Is considered an [Underserved Community](#) as per EPA definition and,
- Serves a population  $\leq 10,000$

## Eligible Activities

- The SUDC grant provides funding to PWS and/or communities to plan, design and construct long-term solutions to address drinking water supply, distribution, monitoring, or any other drinking water project.

## Eligible Projects

- Treatment of Non-PFAS related contamination
- Transmission and Distribution
- Source
- Storage
- Creation of New Systems
- Consolidation
- Household water quality testing, including for unregulated contaminants
- Providing households access to drinking water services
- Assistance to increase technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity
- Drinking water contamination response efforts
- **Must have a history of SDWA Violations**
- **\$729,000 in funds available**
- **SUDC Grant Staff works with Regional offices to determine need.**
- **Contact Janine Bishop if interested ASAP**

10% Match Waived

**Non-Competitive**



Program Staff: Michael Celona  
Grant Staff: Janine Bishop

# Public Water Suppliers Engineering & Design Plans *NEW!*



## Eligible Entities

### Eligible Activity

Engineering and Design Plans provided to PWS by a pre-approved engineering firm to address long-term solutions for emerging contaminants in drinking water supply.

### Eligibility

- Must be a small PWS (serves population  $\leq 10,000$ )
- Must be located in a Disadvantaged Community as per CWT definition
- Must have an emerging contaminant issue
- For-Profit entities are not eligible

### More About this Grant

- \$1,000,000 available through the Clean Water Trust
- Award up to \$75,000 per eligible PWS
- Plans prepared by [Comprehensive Environmental Inc](#) & [Fuss & O'Neill](#)
- PWS will be notified when application opens.



Community PWS (publicly- or privately-owned) or non-profit Transient Non-Community (TNC) or Non-Transient Non-Community (NTNC) water systems that are:

- Located in a community in the [Clean Water Trust's Disadvantaged Community Program](#), and
- Serves a population  $\leq 10,000$

No Match Required

**Open Until Funds Expended**



Program Staff: Michael Celona  
Grant Staff: Janine Bishop

# Cybersecurity Improvements Grant

## Eligible Activities

Activities that improve cybersecurity defense, mitigating the risks of cyber-attacks, and enhancing overall resiliency and compliance for Public Water Suppliers

## Sample Eligible Projects

- Upgrading, replacing, or removing unsupported and end-of-life hardware, software, and operating systems
- Incident response planning
- Employee training programs
- Network segmentation
- Improving remote access security
- Encryption Implementation
- Developing and Updating an Emergency Response Plan/Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan
- Penetration Testing (only if all other findings addressed)

## Eligible Entities

Public Water Suppliers that have:

- 1) A cybersecurity risk assessment
- 2) Use operational technology equipment with an identified cybersecurity risk

and are:

- a) Small Systems (serving less than 10,000 people) and/or
- b) Located in a Disadvantaged Community

Rolling Admissions

\$15,000-\$50,000 Per Applicant  
(depending on population size)



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# Water Infrastructure and Planning Grant offered through CWT



## Eligible Entities CWT Grants and Loans

### Eligible Activities

AMP grants will assist with completing, updating or implementing an asset management program for drinking water, wastewater, and/or stormwater utilities. Additionally, the program is aimed at assisting State Revolving Fund applicants with meeting most of the components of the federally required Fiscal Sustainability Planning.

### Asset Management Plans

- **Asset Inventory & Condition** – Create & map inventory determine value
- **Level of Service** – Goals to meet customer demand and regulatory requirements
- **Criticality/Risk Analysis** - Likelihood/consequence of failure determination
- **Life Cycle Cost Analysis** - Accounting for Capital, Operation, Maintenance & Replacement Costs
- **Funding Analysis** - Creation of sustainable financial structure to meet full cost of providing level of service in the long-term

**Applicants must file an online [Project Evaluation Form](#) (PEF)  
during the SRF Annual Project Solicitation period**

Eligible Entities are those defined as Eligible Borrowers in MGL Chapter 29C, and includes: any city, town, special district, or other existing municipal governmental sub-unit which owns and controls a drinking water, wastewater, stormwater or water re-use treatment or conveyance system, or any public water system (PWS).

**If interested email:**  
**[srfmadep@mass.gov](mailto:srfmadep@mass.gov)**

**\$150,000 or 60% of eligible project cost  
40% Match Required**

**PEF Forms Due:**  
**July 25, 2025**



SRF Program: Michele Higgins  
CWT Director: Nathaniel Keenan

# Other Drinking Water & Clean Water Trust Grant & Loan Opportunities



## Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds

### Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants (OSG) Program

Up to \$250,000 in funding per applicant to fund planning and design for sewer overflow and stormwater mitigation projects in small (pop.  $\leq 10,000$ ) &

Disadvantaged Communities. No PEF Required.

**Applications Due:** Rolling Admissions

Community Management Septic Program – This program provides funding in the form of low-cost loans to allow communities to devise a Local Septic Management Plan. The plan must include the provision of financial assistance to homeowners using betterment agreements. Communities that implement a Community Septic Management Program that offers an interest rate reduction to homeowners based on income may be eligible for a reduced interest rate offered by from the CWT. No PEF required.

**Applications Due:** Rolling Admissions

The Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) offers low-interest loans, grants, subsidies, and loan forgiveness for eligible borrowers. **Funds are committed through the Intended Use Plan process and are subject to approval from the Clean Water Trust.**

**Eligible entities vary by program.**

**If interested email:**  
**[srfmadep@mass.gov](mailto:srfmadep@mass.gov)**

<https://www.mass.gov/state-revolving-fund-srf-financial-assistance-program>



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# Other Drinking Water & Clean Water Trust Grant & Loan Opportunities



## Clean Water Trust Priority Construction Loans

**Planning Project Loans** – Funds planning activities such as an Integrated Water Resource Management Plan, Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, Comprehensive Water Resources Management Plan, Project Evaluation Report, Long-term Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Strategy, Stormwater Management Plan, Engineering Reports, Infiltration and Inflow Study, Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey. No PEF required.

**Applications Due:** Rolling Admissions

### **Lead Service Line (LSL) Planning Program and Replacement Loan**

Funds project costs for service line inventories and to develop LSL Replacement Plans and provides loans for projects to perform LSL replacements in accordance with approved LSL Replacement Plans. No PEF required.

**Applications Due:** Rolling Admissions

### **Drinking Water:**

- PFAS mitigation loans to reduce levels to 2 ppt (ng/L)

### **Clean Water:**

- CSO Combined/Sanitary Sewer Overflows (CSO or SSO) projects that eliminate or abate discharges
- Nutrient Enrichment Reduction Loans (0% Interest) to remediate or prevent nutrient enrichment of a water body or water supply
- PFAS Mitigation Loans (0% Interest) to mitigate releases to the environment that are impacting public drinking water sources

<https://www.mass.gov/state-revolving-fund-srf-financial-assistance-program>



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# Related Loans & Grants



Name	Agency	Purpose
<a href="#"><u>DW + CW State Revolving Fund Loans</u></a>	DEP	Finance major infrastructure projects & investments
<a href="#"><u>Water Utility Resiliency Program</u></a>	DEP	Assistance to utilities for climate change
<a href="#"><u>Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant Program</u></a>	DCR	Purchase land to protect current or future Water Supplies and recharge
<a href="#"><u>Culvert Replacement Program</u></a>	DCR	Replace small, perched, or degraded culverts in high ecological value areas
<a href="#"><u>Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program</u></a>	EEA	Supports cities and towns addressing climate change related resiliency measures
<a href="#"><u>Coastal Habitat &amp; Water Quality Grants</u></a>	EEA	Resource management to protect coastal and marine resources
<a href="#"><u>Planning Assistance Grants</u></a>	EEA	Funds zoning projects that result in permanent land conservation (NRPZ, TDR)



QUESTIONS?