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Public Hearing Notice

Revised Clean Water State Revolving Fund criteria for 2022 Project Evaluation Form

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), Division of Municipal Services, is proposing revisions in the method used to score and rank Project Evaluation Forms (PEFs) for Clean Water construction projects seeking financial assistance through the Commonwealth's State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan program.

The proposed scoring system will categorize incoming Clean Water PEF construction proposals into one of five Tier Categories, each having a set point value. Additional points can be assigned based on documented public health impacts and environmental criteria. The Tier categories are designed to identify the most significant clean water project proposals in terms of public health and/or environmental impacts. The proposed revisions are an attempt to further ensure that Clean Water projects addressing the greatest environmental and/or public health needs are given priority for SRF financing assistance.

The Proposed 5-Tier Project Evaluation System can be found here: [CWSRF Proposed Tier System](#).

Pursuant to the provisions for adequate alternative public access to agency hearings, set forth in Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, an Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, a public hearing on the Proposed Clean Water SRF Tier System will take place virtually and via telephone on **Friday June 24, 2022, at 10 AM**.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vce2gpjgsHtEHajwN4EH4pYlnOQPQSFpt>

Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing. MassDEP will accept written testimony **until 5:00 PM on Friday June 24, 2022**. Written testimony must be submitted by email to Maria.Pinaud@mass.gov or by regular mail to: Maria Pinaud, Director, Division of Municipal Services, MassDEP, One Winter Street, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

By Order of the Department
Martin Suuberg, Commissioner