Clean Water State Revolving Fund 2022

Agenda

Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting 1

Friday, July 29, 2022, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Time Topic

8 a.m. Welcome and logistics

8:10 a.m. Committee membership introductions

Name, affiliation, why interested in the CWSRF and RAC, what unique aspects
organization brings, expectations and desired outcomes

8:40 a.m. Review Advisory Committee charter, roles and responsibilities – Q and A

9:10 a.m. Break

9:20 a.m. Rule language, how much detail needed in rule (Oregon Department of Justice)

9:35 a.m. Scope of Rulemaking – high level overview

- OAR 340-054-0065 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loans to Public Agency Borrowers: Loan Types, Terms and Interest Rates (Principal forgiveness and affordability criteria)
- OAR 340-054-0026 CWSRF Project Ranking Criteria for Non-planning Loans
- OAR 340-054-0027 CWSRF Project Ranking Criteria for Planning Loans
- OAR 340-054-0025 Intended Use Plan (IUP) and Project Priority List

9:50 a.m. CWSRF program overview – focus on program areas relevant to rulemaking

- Oregon CWSRF program fundamentals Clean Water Act, borrower and project eligibilities, key finance info, EPA federal oversight
- **Principal forgiveness** what is principal forgiveness and how does the program award principal forgiveness?
- **Affordability criteria** what is affordability criteria and how does the program define and use affordability criteria?



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- **Project ranking and scoring** how does the program evaluate and score projects (broad categories)
- **Intended Use Plan** what is the Intended Use Plan, purpose and how does the program develop and use the IUP

10:30 a.m. Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- EPA Implementation Guidance key provisions
- Oregon CWSRF BIL priority areas
 - o Principal forgiveness EPA requirement to increase PF for the program)
 - o Affordability criteria EPA priority for CWSRFs to address
 - o Technical assistance
 - Build America Buy America requirements
 - Emerging contaminants
 - Program coordination EPA, Drinking Water SRF, stakeholders, CWSRF advisory committee
- Timeline rulemaking, BIL cap grant application, program implementation considerations

10:45 a.m. Break

10:55 a.m. Environmental justice criteria

- Definition of "environmental justice"
- Environmental justice criteria under consideration for CWSRF
- Rationale for environmental justice metrics
- How DEQ CWSRF will use environmental justice metrics

11:35 a.m. Wrap up with committee and next steps

11:45 a.m. Public Comment

12 p.m. Adjourn

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