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## **Legal Notice**

Legal notice of public review and comment period concerning proposed changes to the Project Priority List (PPL) for Oregon's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) for the end of the first quarter of state fiscal year 2024. This PPL exclusively includes eligible drinking water projects that will be considered for Oregon's 2023 <u>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)</u> Emerging Contaminants (BIL-EC) funding. Currently, Oregon's priorities for BIL-EC funding focus on perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), manganese, and cyanotoxins. Please reference footnotes on PPL for more information.

One of Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Drinking Water Services (DWS) responsibilities as a state agency managing the DWSRF/BIL program as set forth under Section 1452 (40 CFR 35.555 (b)) of the amended 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) is to provide the public the opportunity to comment on changes to the Intended Use Plan (IUP) as part of the grant application process to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The PPL is important to how the DWSRF/BIL program implements the IUP. Projects have been rated (i.e., scored) by OHA staff to determine ranking and placement on the BIL-EC PPL. Before projects can be funded, we are obligated to provide the public the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed PPL.

The public review and comment period for the PPL will be from Friday, December 1 through Monday, December 11, 2023. If you would like to make a comment, please email your comments to <a href="mailto:DWS.SRF@odhsoha.oregon.gov">DWS.SRF@odhsoha.oregon.gov</a> by no later than 5pm on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> to be considered. If you have questions, you may also email or call me at (503) 956-8287.

Thank you.

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Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Emerging Contaminants (EC) (100% principal forgiveness - 25% for disadvantaged communities or water systems serving fewer than 25,000 people)

(Zero match requirement)

Combined Project Priority List (PPL) - 2022 & 2023

2022 BIL-EC Allotment = \$9,940,000 2023 - 2026 BIL-EC Annual Allotments = \$11,493,000

Please see footnotes below for important PPL and project information

2022 Available Amount for EC Projects = \$8,844,200 2023 Available Amount for EC Projects = \$TBD

Applicant	Applicant Number	County	Population	BizOR. RDO / RPM	Project Description (PD)**	Project Rating (≤ 90)	Amount Requested	BIL EC Fundable Amount (100% subsidy)	ANTICIPATED BIL EC Rates & Terms	Disadvantaged Community	BIL-EC Grant Award Targets	Quarter & SFY Added to PPL
Burns Water Department 4100153	SD-23-E32	Harney	2,835	Feather Sams- Heusties / Shanna Bailey	PFAS Feasibility Study	88	\$128,000	\$128,000	See Below for Notes	YES	2023	1Q2024
Riverstone Mobile Home Park 4100240	SD-23-E20	Lane	168	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS Feasibility Study	85	\$19,908	\$19,908	See Below for Notes	YES	2023	1Q2024
Periwinkle MHP 4100029	SD-23-E01	Linn	55	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS (TBD)	80	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Milton-Freewater, City of 4100522	SD-23-E26	Umatilla	7,145	Ryan DeGrofft / Shanna Bailey	PFAS Feasibility Study	76	\$125,000	\$125,000	See Below for Notes	YES	2023	1Q2024
Tivoli MHP 4101003	SD-23-E02	Lane	94	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS (TBD)	73	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Garibaldi Water System 4100311	SD-23-E03	Tillamook	802	Melanie Olson / Melinda Hautala	PFAS Feasibility Study	73	\$200,400	\$200,400	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Whispering Pines Mobile Lodge 4100223	SD-23-E21	Linn	90	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS Feasibility Study	70	\$19,908	\$19,908	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Albany Trailer and RV Park 4100004	SD-23-E04	Linn	130	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS (TBD)	68	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Marcola Water District 4100508	SD-23-E31	Lane	600	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS Feasibility Study	68	\$65,000	\$65,000	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Lakeside Mobile Home & RV Park 4100450	SD-23-E27	Klamath	110	Larry Holzgang / Tawni Bean	PFAS Feasibility Study	65	\$19,908	\$19,908	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Lakewood Utilities 4101097	SD-23-E05	Marion	289	Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	PFAS Feasibility Study	65	\$19,908	TBD	See Below for Notes	NO	2022	3Q2023
Tualatin Valley Reg Traing Ctr 4194941	SD-23-E06	Washington	300	Jeff Hampton / Matt Mattia	PFAS (TBD)	65	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	NO	2022	3Q2023
Rainbow Water District 4100839	SD-23-E07	Lane	6,300	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS Feasibility & Pilot Studies	64	\$1,400,000	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Dundee, City of 4100262	SD-23-E30	Yamhill	3,356	Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	PFAS Feasibility Study & Future Construction TBD	61	\$695,000	\$695,000	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Springfield Utility Board 4100837	SD-23-E08	Lane	62,100	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	PFAS (TBD)	60	\$27,884,578	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Bend Water Department 4100100	SD-23-E28	Deschutes	77,704	Capi Lewis / Gail Nelson	PFAS Feasibility Study	60	\$100,000	\$100,000	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Independence Water System 4100399	SD-23-E23	Polk	10,300	Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	PFAS Feasibility Study	48	\$179,100	\$179,100	See Below for Notes	YES	2023	1Q2024
Molalla, City of 4100534	SD-23-E24	Clackamas	10,298	Jeff Hampton / Matt Mattia	PFAS Feasibility Study	40	\$19,908	\$19,908	See Below for Notes	NO	2023	1Q2024
Sunset Water System Inc 4100069	SD-23-E09	Marion	140	Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	Manganese treatment system	30	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023

Rockwood PUD 4100668	SD-23-E10	Multnomah	65,443	Jeff Hampton / Matt Mattia	Manganese (TBD)	28	\$22,162,169	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Gresham, City of 4100357	SD-23-E11	Multnomah	73,932	Jeff Hampton / Matt Mattia	Manganese (TBD)	28	\$20,000,000	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Tri-City JW&SA 4100549	SD-23-E12	Douglas	3,500	Christopher Frazier / Tawni Bean	Cyanotoxins: develop emergency intertie w/ Riddle	21	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Cottage Grove, City of 4100236	SD-23-E13	Lane	10,005	Laura Engstrom / Tracy Loomis	Cyanotoxins (TBD)	20	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Gates, City of 4100317	SD-23-E14	Marion	500	Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	Cyanotoxins (TBD)	18	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Josephine County Parks – Lake Selmac 1 4190186	SD-23-E15	Josephine	50	Marta Tarantsey / Tawni Bean	Cyanotoxins - Design Work for Replacing Existing Treatment Plant	15	\$60,025	\$60,025	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	3Q2023
Myrtle Creek, City of 4100550	SD-23-E29	Douglas	3,490	Christopher Frazier / Tawni Bean	Cyanotoxins - Autobackwash Equipment at Intake	14	\$750,800	\$750,800	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	1Q2024
Ashland Water Department 4100047	SD-23-E22	Jackson	20,700	Marta Tarantsey / Tawni Bean	Cyanotoxins - Ozone Treatment	13	\$9,312,747	\$9,312,747	See Below for Notes	YES	2022	1Q2024
Jefferson, City of 4100408	SD-23-E19	Marion		Arthur Chaput / Michelle Bilberry	Cyanotoxins: develop backup source	11	TBD	TBD	See Below for Notes	NO	2022	3Q2023
						\$83,162,359	\$11,547,796				-	

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Total <u>BIL-EC</u> Fundable Subsidy

## **FOOTNOTES:**

This PPL contains a list of systems OHA has recommended for 2022 & 2023 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Emerging Contaminants (EC) funding. The BIL-EC grant language requires states to provide 100% of the capitalization grant amount, minus set-asides taken, as principal forgiveness and/or grants. Funding amounts detailed above are subject to change based on project identification, approved by OHA and EPA.

BIL-EC grants contain the following provision: "Provided further, that funds provided under this paragraph in this Act shall be to address emerging contaminants in drinking water with a focus on perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances through capitalization grants under section 1452(t) of the Safe Drinking Water Act for the purposes described in section 1452(a)(2)(G) of such Act".

BIL-EC funding targets projects or activities that otherwise would be eligible under the "Base" DWSRF funding program but the primary purpose must be to address and/or mitigate people's exposure to EC in drinking water with priorities on perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

OHA-DWS rated and ranked the systems on this PPL using a scoring system with rating criteria based on the contaminant present/concentration and water system size. PFAS is prioritized per EPA guidance in the scoring, then a non-regulated contaminant over a health advisory, and lastly detection of a non-federally regulated contaminant in raw water only.

The BIL also requires that not less than 25% of funds provided through the DWSRF Emerging Contaminants Funding be provided as grants and forgivable loans to disadvantaged communities or public water systems serving fewer than 25,000 people. Assessing community affordability and disadvantaged status is determined using SDWRLF base program criteria. This serves two purposes 1) Prioritizes communities with socioeconomic factors affecting community affordability by ranking them higher on the BIL-EC PPL, and 2) Designates which PWS are considered disadvantaged to ensure meeting required target of 25% of BIL EC funding going to disadvantaged communities or PWSs serving less than 25,000 population.

A "Disadvantaged Community" under the DWSRF is a public water system that has a service area with a Median Household Income (MHI) below the state MHI. MHI is determined using the most recent American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates available.

Business Oregon, following the ranking order on this list, will engage with systems on project identification to address the Emerging Contaminant identified by OHA. Eligible systems will be given opportunity to receive BIL-EC funding, but if a readniness to proceed is not demonstrated in a timely manner Business Oregon may utilize a "Bypass Process" if the lower-tiered projects are ready to move forward. BIL-EC grant funds must be disbursed by Oregon within three years of receiving the award. Initial use of BIL-EC funding will be to assist the systems with funding feasibility studies, if not already obtained, to plan and identify eligible projects to address their EC concerns.

Additional Funding Needs: If funding allows, projects that require additional funding beyond their BIL-EC allocation may be considered for additional funding resources through Oregon's "Base" DWSRF, BIL-General Supplemental, or another Business Oregon funding program (if eligible).