# Clean Water State Revolving Fund

# **Disaster Response**

# Affordable loans for prevention and recovery

While the Clean Water State Revolving Fund cannot provide immediate funding following a disaster, DEQ offers the most affordable loans to finance the planning, design and construction to rebuild or upgrade water quality improvement systems. In addition, CWSRF offers:

- Interim financing for pending federal funding
- Match funding for federal grants
- Co-funding
- Loans to prepare for future events
- Free technical assistance
- Up to \$500,000 principal forgiveness per eligible project
- 5, 10, 15, 20 and 30-year loan terms available

## Help for current borrowers

Contact your <u>project officer</u> as soon as possible if there are financial or construction concerns following a natural disaster or other emergency.

#### **New applicants**

Eligible borrowers are public agencies, defined by <u>ORS</u> <u>468.423</u> and include:

- State agency
- Incorporated city, county, sanitary authority
- School district, county service district, sanitary district, metropolitan service district
- Other special district authorized or required to construct water pollution control facilities
- Intergovernmental entity created by units of local government under ORS 190.003 to 190.130.
- Federally recognized Indian tribal government

#### Timeline

<u>Applications</u> are accepted three times a year, or anytime five or more are received.

The loan application process can take up to a year or more, depending on the complexity of the project.

Larger construction projects often require lengthy environmental reviews, which are required.



# Eligible projects include

- Repair and upgrades of facilities
- Damage mitigation from natural disaster
- Water or energy conservation upgrades
- Riparian restoration
- Wastewater system facility plans and studies
- Private septic system replacement or sewer connection, *via pass through loans*
- Secondary treatment facilities
- Advanced wastewater treatment facilities
- Sludge disposal and management
- Interceptors, force mains and pumping stations
- Infiltration and inflow correction
- Major sewer replacement and rehabilitation
- Combined sewer overflow correction
- Collection system repair or upgrade
- Stormwater control projects
- Agriculture or forest related nonpoint source control projects, as well as other project types
- Irrigation modernization



CWSRF finances projects for water quality facilities to prepare for natural disasters, and helps with rebuilding

## Alternative formats

DEQ can provide documents in an alternate format or in a language other than English upon request. Call DEQ at 800-452-4011 or email <u>deqinfo@deq.state.or.us</u>.



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