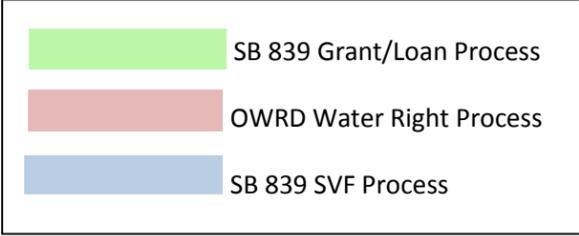


Water Right and SB 839 Grant/Loan Application Process for Storage Projects



Pre-application Meeting. Schedule grant/loan pre-application meeting with OWRD (optional). Additional Pre-application meetings if needed. 14 Days prior to meeting provide concept and info to OWRD. [Sec. 5] [Applicant and OWRD]

Application Submittal and Preliminary Review. Submit application for grant/loan to OWRD. [Sec. 6]. OWRD performs a preliminary review of application checking for completeness, eligibility and minimum requirements. [Sec. 7(2)] [Applicant and OWRD]

Public Comment. Application deadline closes. 60 day public comment period. [Sec. 7(2)]

Scoring and Ranking. Technical review team conducts initial scoring and ranking, considers comments and makes loan and grant funding recommendations to commission. [Sec. 7(3)] [OWRD, DEQ, ODFW, ODA, Tribes, Regional Solutions, Others]

Public Comment and Commission Decision. Additional opportunity for public comment offered by the commission. Commission determines final scoring and ranking of projects. [Sec. 7(3)] [Commission]

Commission makes final funding decision [Sec. 7(3)]. **1x per year** [Sec. 7(1)] [Commission]

Obtain Necessary Permits. All applicable local, state and federal permits must be obtained before loan or grant moneys are expended for the construction of a project; including water right. [Sec. 14]

Build Project and Implement Grant and Permit Requirements.

Report to Department. Demonstrate public benefits achieved; measure and report water used; provide annual progress reports; maintain project. [Sec. 14(3)] [Applicant and OWRD]

Submit application for water right to OWRD (including limited license for AR or ASR). [Sec. 6] [Applicant]

Initial Review of Water Right Application. Department publishes Initial Review of water right including assessment of water availability and basin plan compliance; injury assessed for groundwater applications. Initiates completeness review for ASR or AR limited license. [OWRD]

Initial SVF Consultation. Complete "SB 839 Matrix." [Applicant, OWRD, ODFW, Affected Tribes]

Scientific Technical Review Team (STRT) Consultation. Determination of SVF study approach using, "SB 839 Matrix" and propose a draft flow prescription; Approve study methods and timeline. [Sec. 10(2)] [OWRD, ODFW, Affected Tribes]

Proceed to SVF Analysis:
 A) Commission funds project; and
 B) SVF STRT consult completed.

Perform SVF Studies/ Analysis. [OWRD/ ODFW OR Applicant?]

Develop Final SVF Prescription. Develop flow prescription and drafted as permit conditions. [OWRD, ODFW, Affected Tribes]

Water Right Evaluation. Includes a review of injury (surface water app) and compliance with other rules of the Water Resources Commission (e.g., land use review, Division 33 review, injury well construction standards). Release Public Notice regarding application and open Public Comment. Some of these reviews may require a completed SVF analysis (e.g. Division 33). Applicant requests "Administrative Hold" until SVF process is completed. [OWRD, DEQ, ODFW, Public]

Determine 25% in-stream releases. [OWRD and ODFW]

Apply for flow augmentation secondary permit. Obtain secondary right.

Water Right process re-initiates. Proposed Final Order issued by OWRD. [Protests/Contested Cases]

Final Order and Water Right Permit issued.

