Question and Answer Document

Fiscal Year 2020 Clean Water Construction Treatment Works Projects

RFA # 2020-1917-WQD

1. RFA email address is bouncing back.

Answer: There is a typo on the RFA website and all project applications and questions should be submitted to FY20CWCRFA.grants@dc.gov.

1. Can equipment that allows industrial facilities to implement methods and maintain stormwater infrastructure to achieve MSGP compliance be funded by the Grey Infrastructure Projects funds, as it is with Green Infrastructure Projects? For example, a street sweeper would allow a facility to remove pollutants that are tracked around a facility, and vacuum trucks would allow accumulated pollutants to be removed from drop inlets and other stormwater devices. Would these types of equipment be eligible for funding?

Answer: CWC funds can be used for equipment that removes pollutants like street sweepers and vacuum trucks.

1. Could you further clarify what is meant by “Project development exceeds conceptual designs?” Are projects that are applying for both design and construction phases (i.e. design-build) inherently prioritized lower than projects that have design plans because design-build projects cannot be awarded 5 points for this criterion?

Answer: Project applications that exceed conceptual designs as defined in the PPRS will be awarded up to 5 points.

1. Where can one access the list of District Priority Watersheds? It is not on the RFA webpage and is not in the RFA.

Answer: District targeted subwatersheds are in section 3.2 of the RFA and can be found at <https://dcgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d872faed1f8642d190c45befed97c760>.

1. When will the funding be available?

Answer: The Clean Water Construction Program award process is described in section 1.4 of the RFA. DOEE will receive the award from EPA in Fiscal Year 2020.

1. How should applicants treat projects that include both grey and green infrastructure? Should the applicant split the project up into two sections, one for grey and one for green, and apply for the different parts of the project separately, or just apply once? If the latter, how do they choose which one to apply for (grey or green infrastructure)?

Answer: According to Section 3 Project Evaluation and Scoring of the PPRS “Project applicants will identify the project category for which they are applying. For projects that may be eligible under more than one category, DOEE will determine the category into which it would fit best”.