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Proposition 68 2020 Implementation Grants Solicitation – Round 1

Applicant Assistance Webinar

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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- California Conservation Corp – Andrea Gabriel
- Presentation
  - Who, What, When, How Much?
  - How to Apply
  - Application Tips
- Questions/Answers

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Consulting with the Conservation Corps

Proposition 68 Statute

Division 45 of the Public Resources Code, Chapter 1, Section 80016 gives preference to applications that include the use of services of the CA Conservation Corps (CCC) or certified community conservation corps (represented by the CA Association of Local Conservation Corps (CALCC)).

Benefits of Using the Corps

Utilizing the Corps is included in the legislation to increase the public benefit of projects by creating workforce development opportunities for young adult Corpsmembers, many of whom live and work in disadvantaged communities.

- *The Corps provide comprehensive job training, career development, and educational opportunities to young adults.*
- *Natural resource projects serve as pathways for young adults to enter specialized fields, including firefighting, forestry, energy conservation, and other environmental fields.*
- *Corpsmembers often work on projects in their own community, strengthening their connection to the direct benefits of the project and honoring the intent of Prop 68 to provide community access for all.*

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CCC Corpsmember Spotlight

Harley Tijerina
Crew Leader, Siskiyou Satellite Center in Yreka, CA

Recipient of the CorpsNetwork's 2020 Corpsmember of the Year award

Before joining the CCC, Harley was a full-time community college student and part-time receptionist. She was on track to finish her degree but her focus was strained by issues at home. She joined the CCC for a fresh start and a break from college.

"The Corps taught me to get out of my comfort zone with people and power tools. This supportive environment instilled self-confidence in me to work through my emotions. The more engrained I became in my work at the CCC, the more I was able to focus on positive things in my life and know that I could overcome. Being a Crew Leader taught me to maintain my composure when a conflict arises. I learned to work efficiently and with integrity. I have enhanced my critical thinking, management, and leadership skills."

Harley plans to take the CA state exam and apply to be a Conservationist I, a permanent CCC staff position directly responsible for supervising a crew. She also aims to finish her bachelor's degree in Forest Ecology with a minor in Philosophy of Ethics and one day work as a Fish and Wildlife Technician for the CA Department of Fish and Wildlife.

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LCC Corpsmember Spotlight

Before joining CCLB, Ryan had a turbulent adolescence, spending time in unstructured foster care. He became involved in criminal activity, which led him to a stint prison. After being released, Ryan found it difficult to find a consistent job with a felony on his record. “I just wanted to make an honest living, stay out of trouble, and feel like I was going somewhere,” said Ryan.

“I’ve learned that although I was motivated to work and succeed, I needed support beyond what I could just do myself. Now I love helping other youth make the right decisions and succeed.”

Ryan’s participation in CCLB and Grid Alternatives’ “Basic Solar Installation Program” provided him with the experienced needed to become an apprentice electrician, installing Tesla Powerwall batteries and Tesla EV Chargers. In addition to his work responsibilities, Ryan is pursuing an AA degree in Electrical Construction Technology at Los Angeles Trade Technical College. He plans to complete school and become a licensed electrician.

Ryan Shelton
Former Corpsmember,
Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB)

Recipient of the CorpsNetwork’s 2020 Corpsmember of the Year award

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Working with the Conservation Corps

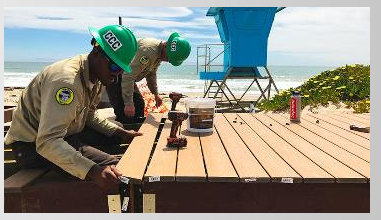
The Corps provide supervised work crews of young adults trained and equipped to work safely on a wide variety of projects.

Examples of work Corpsmembers can perform*
- Creation, restoration, and rehabilitation of trails
- Fire fuel load reduction & forest thinning
- Installation of erosion control measures
- Watershed, riparian zone, and habitat restoration
- Removal of invasive plant species
- Landscaping and irrigation installation

Examples of projects that Corpsmembers cannot work on*
- Projects that involve only planning or acquisitions with no hand labor
- Projects that require the operation of heavy equipment

Corps may have different capabilities. If you're unsure whether Corpsmembers can work on your project, you should complete and submit a consultation request to ensure compliance.

*Please note that this list is not exhaustive



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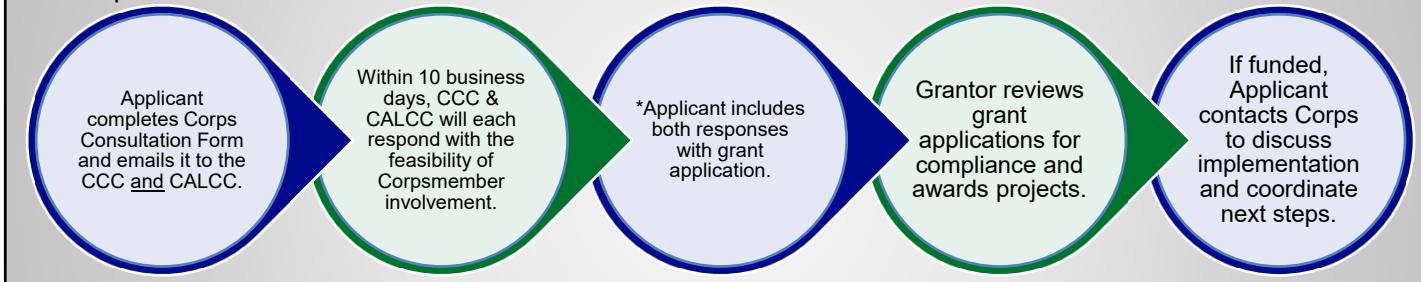
Corps Consultation Process

Applicants are encouraged to reach out to the CCC and CALCC early in the process while developing project proposals to determine how the Corps can be included and ensure a compliant review process.



*If the grant program to which you're applying includes multiple phases of application review, please consult the program's guidelines for when to submit the Corps' consultation response.

Note: The Corps are exempt from prevailing wages (California Labor Code section 1720.4(c)). The Corps do not need to be included in a bidding process.

Contacts

CA Conservation Corps: Prop68@ccc.ca.gov

CA Association of Local Conservation Corps: Inquiry@Prop68CommunityCorps.org

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Questions?

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Who Is Eligible to Apply?

- GSAs
- Member agencies of a GSA
- An entity that represents a GSA
- Agencies with an approved Alternative to a GSP

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What Activities Are Eligible?

- Must benefit a critically overdrafted (COD) basin
- Must be consistent with the purpose of Proposition 68, Chapter 11.6
- Capital improvement projects
- Activities associated with the implementation of a GSP or Alternative
- Must provide a minimum of three benefits

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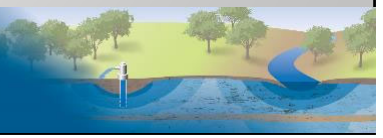

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How Much Is Available?

$26 million is available in Round 1

- $21 million for COD Basins only
- $5 million for projects that are located within and solely benefit an Underrepresented Community in a COD basin

Required Local Cost Share is 25%

- Incurred after January 31, 2020
- Cost share waiver / reduction available for projects that provide quantifiable benefits to underrepresented communities

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How Much Is Available?

Minimum and Maximum Awards

- Minimum Grant Amount: $2 million per basin
- Maximum Grant Amount: $5 million per basin

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- $21 million for COD basins only
- $5 million for URC Projects in COD Basins

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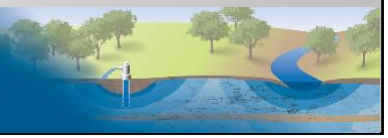

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PSP: Local Cost Share

- Minimum 25% local cost share required
- Cost Share Waiver available to those benefitting a SDAC, DAC, EDA, Tribal Land/Tribe, EnvDAC, and/or Fringe Communities.

Eligibility for Cost Share Waiver	
0% Local Cost Share	The Project is located within an Underrepresented Community and solely benefits the Underrepresented Community.
5% Local Cost Share	The Project is not located within an Underrepresented Community, but solely benefits the Underrepresented Community OR located within an Underrepresented Community but does not solely benefit those communities.
15% Local Cost Share	The Project is not located within an Underrepresented Community, but a minimum of 50% of the project benefits the Underrepresented Community.
25% Local Cost Share	The Project is not located within an Underrepresented Community and does not benefit an Underrepresented Community.

NOTE: The minimum local cost share is calculated based upon the total project cost. For this program, the total project cost is the grant funds plus the local cost share amounts. To calculate the local cost share percent: local cost share/ (grant funds + local project cost).

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PSP: Funding - Local Cost Share

An Underrepresented Community includes:

- DAC, SDAC, and EDA (as defined in the 2019 Guidelines)
- Tribal Lands/Tribes (as defined in the 2019 Guidelines)
- California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 3. 0) Classified DACs (EnvDACs)
- Fringe Communities

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PSP: Solicitation Process and Schedule

Milestone or Activity Round 1 Schedule	Tentative Schedule*
Final 2020 PSP posted to public	October 30, 2020
Round 1 Grant Solicitation Opens	November 9, 2020
Applicant Workshop	December 3, 2020
Round 1 Grant Solicitation Closes	January 8, 2021
Public Review of Draft Funding List	March 2021
Final Awards	May 2021
* Dates are subject to change and will be determined based on number of applications received, amount of funds requested, and number of grant awards given	

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How to Apply?

Eligibility Checklist	Enter GRanTS	Complete Application	Submit!
• Complete PRIOR to starting application	• Click ““SGM Implementation – Round 1”	• Upload attachments • Complete questionnaire	• You’re done!

See the GRanTS website: https://water.ca.gov/grants

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GRanTS Attachments Tab

- Six Attachments
  - Attachment 1: Authorizing documentation
  - Attachment 2: Eligibility Criteria Self-Certification Form
  - Attachment 3: Work Plan – Must use supplied template
  - Attachment 4: Budget – Must use supplied template
  - Attachment 5: Schedule – Must use supplied template
  - Attachment 6: Underrepresented Community Documentation – Must use supplied template
- Templates on website: www.water.ca.gov/sgmgrants

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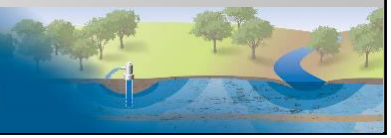

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Attachment 1 - Authorizing Documentation

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Resolved by the <*Insert Name of Applicant Governing Body*>, that an application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2020 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program Implementation – Round 1 <*or Round 2*> Grant pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) (Pub. Resource Code, § 80000 et seq.), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the: <*Insert Project Name*>. The <*Insert title of Authorized Applicant Official*> of the <*Insert Name of Applicant*>, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement and any future amendments (if required), submit invoices, and submit any reporting requirements with the California Department of Water Resources. Passed and adopted at a meeting of the <*Insert Name of Applicant*> on <*Insert date*>.

Authorized Original Signature:_____
Printed Name:_____
Title:_____
Clerk/Secretary:_____

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the <*Insert Name of Applicant*> held on <*Insert date*>.

Clerk/Secretary:_____

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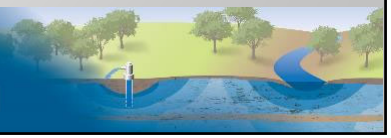

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- Different Options for Resolutions:
  - If the applicant is a GSA – 1 resolution is needed by the GSA
  - If the applicant is a member agency of a GSA or an entity representing a GSA – a resolution from the applicant is needed AND resolutions from each GSA, the applicant represents is required identifying the applicant has authority to apply on their behalf
  - If the applicant is an entity with an approved Alternative – 1 resolution is needed

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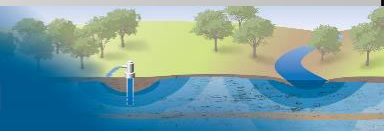

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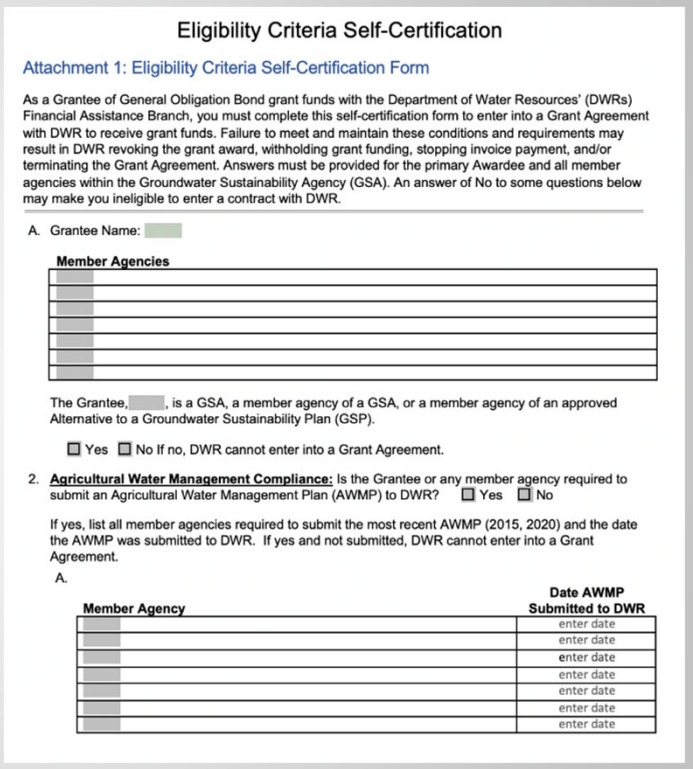
- Common Issues with Resolutions:
  - Applicant did not follow the example language provided
  - Applicant used only some of the example language and left out executing an agreement, which only allows you to apply for the grant funds
  - Applicant was a member agency of a GSA and needed to provide 2 resolutions
  - Resolution lists an employee name instead of their title
  - Resolution does not list a designee and only allows the authorized person to sign invoices, agreements, and amendment(s)

Attachment 2 - Eligibility Criteria Self-Certification Form

- Provide documentation proving they meet the eligibility criteria found in Section III.C of the 2019 Guidelines
- The eligibility checklist in the PSP should be used to complete this attachment



Eligibility Criteria Self-Certification

Attachment 1: Eligibility Criteria Self-Certification Form

As a Grantee of General Obligation Bond grant funds with the Department of Water Resources' (DWRs) Financial Assistance Branch, you must complete this self-certification form to enter into a Grant Agreement with DWR to receive grant funds. Failure to meet and maintain these conditions and requirements may result in DWR revoking the grant award, withholding grant funding, stopping invoice payment, and/or terminating the Grant Agreement. Answers must be provided for the primary Awardee and all member agencies within the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA). An answer of No to some questions below may make you ineligible to enter a contract with DWR.

A. Grantee Name:

Member Agencies

The Grantee, , is a GSA, a member agency of a GSA, or a member agency of an approved Alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

☐ Yes ☐ No If no, DWR cannot enter into a Grant Agreement.

2. **Agricultural Water Management Compliance:** Is the Grantee or any member agency required to submit an Agricultural Water Management Plan (AWMP) to DWR? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list all member agencies required to submit the most recent AWMP (2015, 2020) and the date the AWMP was submitted to DWR. If yes and not submitted, DWR cannot enter into a Grant Agreement.

A.

Member Agency	Date AWMP Submitted to DWR
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date

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3. **CASGEM:** Has the Grantee and all member agencies met the requirements of DWR's CASGEM Program and is current with all data reporting requirements for CASGEM? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
   A. List all member agencies required to meet CASGEM requirements. If not current, DWR cannot entry into an agreement.

Member Agency	Date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date
	enter date

4. **Consistency with the Delta Plan:** Is the Project, in whole or in part, within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) or Suisun Marsh (Marsh)?

   ☐ Yes, the Grantee and member agencies have engaged with the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) regarding the Council's regulatory policies that may be potentially applicable to the project and the consistency of the Project with the Delta Plan. (If yes and inconsistent, DWR cannot enter into an agreement.

   ☐ No, the Project is within the Delta or Marsh, but the Awardee and member agencies have not engaged with the Council.

   ☐ N/A

5. **Open and Transparent Water Data:** The Grantee and member agencies will adhere to the protocols developed pursuant to subdivision (a) for data sharing, transparency, documentation, and quality control (Water Code §12406(b)).

   ☐ Yes, the Grantee and member agencies have systems in place that will adhere to the required protocols.

   ☐ No, the Grantee and member agencies do not have systems in place to adhere to the required protocols; however, those systems will be in-place within 90-days of an executed Grant Agreement.

   ☐ No, the Grantee and member agencies do not have systems in place to adhere to the required protocols and do not intend to have them in place. If so, DWR cannot enter into an agreement.

6. **Public Utilities and Mutual Water Companies:** A Project(s) proposed by a public utility regulated by the Public Utilities Commission or a mutual water company shall have a clear and definite public purpose and shall benefit the customers of the water system and not the investors (Water Code §79712(b)(1)).

   ☐ Yes, the Grantee and/or member agencies are a public utility regulated by the Public Utilities Commission or a mutual water company and the proposed Project will solely benefit the customers.

   ☐ No, the Grantee and/or member agencies are a public utility, but the investors will benefit from the proposed Project. If so, DWR cannot enter into an agreement.

   ☐ N/A

Eligibility Criteria Self-Certification

7. **Stormwater Resource Plan (SWRP) Compliance:** Is the proposed Project a stormwater, surface water, or dry weather capture project as defined by the State Water Resources Control Board (capture for reuse, treatment, and/or infiltration) and is required to be listed within a SWRP or functionally equivalent SWRP (FE-SWRP)?

   ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

   If yes, is the Project listed within a SWRP or FE-SWRP? ☐ Yes ☐ No
   If no, DWR cannot enter into a Grant Agreement.

   If yes, provide the name of the SWRP or FE-SWRP, a copy of the SWRP/FE-SWRP Self-Certification form, and proof that the SWRP or FE-SWRP is included in the local Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) as an attachment to this form.

   Name of SWRP or FE-SWRP:

   Page number(s) where Project(s) is listed:

   Contact person and contact information for SWRP or FE-SWRP:

8. **Surface Water Diverter Compliance:** Is the Grantee or member agency a surface water diverter?

   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   A. If yes, please list the name of the agency(-ies) that are surface water diverters.

Agency Name

   B. Has the agency(-ies) submitted the surface water diversion reports to the State Water Resources Control Board in compliance with the requirements outlined in Part 5.1 (commencing with § 5100)?

   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   C. If not, please explain and provide the anticipated date for meeting the requirements. DWR may not be able to enter into an agreement.

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9. **Sustainable Water Use and Demand Reduction:** SBx7-7 (Water Code §10608 et seq.) conditions the receipt of a water management grant or load for urban water suppliers on gallons per capita per day reduction targets with the end goal of a 20% reduction by 2020. Is the Grantee and/or member agency an urban water supplier?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

A. If yes, list the member agency(-ies) that are urban water suppliers.

Agency Name

B. Is the agency(-ies) on track for meeting the SBx7-7 per capita water use targets? If not, DWR cannot enter into an agreement.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

10. **Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP):** An urban water supplier shall adopt and submit to DWR an UWMP in accordance with Water Code § 10610 et seq. to be eligible to receive SGM Grant Program funding. Eligible Urban Water Suppliers must have the most recent UWMP (2015, 2020) that has been verified as complete by DWR before a grant agreement will be executed. Per Executive Order B29-15, Urban Water Suppliers must provide the State Water Resources Control Board with monthly information on water usage, conservation, and enforcement on a permanent basis.

Does the Grantee and/or member agency that are Urban Water Suppliers submit an UWMP to DWR?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Does the Grantee and/or member agency that are Urban Water Suppliers been submitting monthly information on water usage, conservation, and enforcement to the State Water Resources Control Board?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

If no to either question, DWR cannot sign an agreement with the Grantee.

11. **Water Metering Compliance:** Any Urban Water Supplier applying for State grant funds for wastewater treatment projects, water use efficiency projects, drinking water treatment projects, or for a permit for a new or expanded water supply, shall demonstrate that they meet the water meter requirements in Water Code § 525 et seq.

Is the Project a wastewater treatment projects, water use efficiency projects, drinking water treatment projects, or for a permit for a new or expanded water supply?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, does the Grantee and/or member agency that are Urban Water Suppliers meet the water meter requirements in Water Code § 525 et seq.?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

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12. **Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP):** Does the Project(s) or Component(s) include activities associated with the implementation of an adopted GSP or approved Alternative and listed within an adopted GSP or approved Alternative?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, DWR cannot enter into an agreement.

I, _____, understand that the Department of Water Resources will rely on this signed certification in order to approve funding and that false and/or inaccurate representations in this Self-Certification may result in loss of all funds awarded to the Grantee and that reimbursement of any grant funds is reliant upon the Grantee and all member agencies within the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (-ies) continuing to meet all eligibility requirements outlined within this Self-Certification form, the 2019 Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program Guidelines, and the Grant Agreement terms and conditions. Additionally, for the aforementioned reasons, the Department of Water Resources may withhold disbursement of project funds and/or pursue any other applicable legal remedy.

_____ _____

Name of Authorized Representative (Please print) | Signature

_____ enter date

Title | Date

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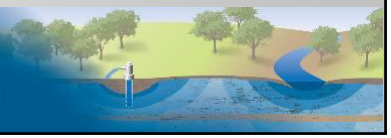

Work Plan Template

- The Work Plan must:
  - Not exceed 30 pages
  - Use a minimum Arial 10-point type font, not including maps, supporting letters, figures, or tables
  - Any changes made to this template, reluctance using the template, or changes made to the font type and size will **not** be reviewed or scored by DWR technical staff.

- Multiple Component applications…
  - A separate Attachment 3 – Work Plan is required for each proposed Component (**excluding** administration components)
  - For proposals with multiple Components, the evaluation will be repeated for each Component's Work Plan

Work Plan Template

Attachment 3

Work Plan – Template

The Work Plan must not exceed 30 pages, unless you are applying for multiple Component and then you should submit a Work Plan for each Component, using a minimum Arial, 10-point type font, not including maps, supporting letters, figures, or tables. All instructions and descriptions provided in this document must be removed prior to submitting the Work Plan into GRanTS. Do not remove any whole section provided or change the order of appearance. The template is provided to the applicants to ensure they are submitting the level of detail DWR is anticipating receiving for each proposal. Any changes made to this template, reluctance using the template, or changes made to the font type and size will not be reviewed or scored by DWR technical staff.

A separate Attachment 3 – Work Plan is required for each proposed Component for those application that includes multiple Components (Components for Grant Administration only does not require a separate Work Plan, only those Components that contain an implementation project). For proposals with multiple Components, the evaluation will be repeated for each Component's Work Plan. The score for a proposal with multiple Components will be determined by summing each individual component's total score, dividing that summation by the number of Components for the Component Average Score, and then rounding up or down to the nearest whole number (Final Score). See Table 9 in the PSP for an example of the scoring criteria.

***Note:** For definitions of Tribes, Severely Disadvantaged Community (SDAC), Disadvantaged Community (DAC), and Economically Distressed Area (EDA), see Appendix B of the 2019 Guidelines. For definitions of California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 3.0), Classified DAC (EnvDAC), and Fringe Communities, see Section II.A of the 2020 Proposition 68 Implementation Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP). Unless specifically mentioned, SDAC, DAC, EDA, Tribes, EnvDAC, and Fringe Community will collectively be referred to as Underrepresented Communities within the 2020 Implementation PSP.*

The following supplemental documentation is required and to be included in the beginning sections of the Work Plan as follows:

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

A. Project Description (maximum of 18 points possible)
Provide a Project Description that addresses the requested information identified below. The description must not exceed 8 pages (not including tables and figures) using a minimum Arial, 10-point type font.

1. (3 points) The Project Description must include the following:
   - A complete, detailed description of the overall proposed Project or Component; and
   - An explanation as to why the proposed Project or Project Components were chosen over other projects included in the Projects and Management Actions section of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) in terms of benefits provided, communities served, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, plan implementation timeline, and feasibility.

2. (3 points) The Project Description must also include:
   - A description of the circumstances that initiated the Project or Component;
   - A description of the criteria that triggered the implementation of the Project or Component;
   - A description of the process the Agency utilized to determine that conditions require Project or Component implementation;
   - A description of the criteria that would trigger Project or Component termination; and
   - GSP page references.

3. (3 points) The Project Description must also include:
   - A brief description of the groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, undesirable results, and impacts on groundwater users; and
   - GSP page references.

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4. (5 points) The Project Description must also include:
   - A description of the proposed Project or Component's goals, objectives, and needs;
   - A description of how the goals, objectives, and needs will be met by the proposed Project or Component;
   - A description of how Project components work together as a whole to address the goals, objectives and needs of the proposed Project if there are multiple components;
   - A description of how the proposed Project or Component aligns with other planning documents, such as IRWM Plans, SWRP, etc.; and
   - GSP page references.

5. (2 points) The Project Description must also include:
   - Regional and Project map(s) clearly depicting the site location, current conditions, Underrepresented Communities and benefitting areas.

6. (2 points) The Project Description must also include:
   - A map and narrative of current and historical land use(s) of the sites and surrounding area; and
   - A description of current and historical groundwater and soil contamination issues at the site or in the vicinity of the Project or Component site.

B. Project Benefits (maximum of 17 points possible)
For any project, benefits are the expected measurable accomplishments of a project. Benefits should be based on estimated measures of the project's annual accomplishments averaged over the period of the project's life. Projects should provide quantifiable benefits to Underrepresented Communities, where applicable. The Project Benefits description must not exceed 8 pages (not including tables and figures) using a minimum Arial, 10-point type font.

7. (2 points) Describe if the project or Component:
   - Builds or help builds soil organics that increase water infiltration, storage, and percolation on natural and working lands;
   - Provides improvements to soil health and building soil organic matter; or
   - Explicitly improves water infiltration, retention and storage using agricultural practice that build healthy soils.

8. (5 points) Describe the quantifiable benefits (minimum of three) expected to be realized from the proposed Project or Component. See Section III.B of the 2020 SGM Implementation PSP for additional guidance regarding benefits.
   - Include an explanation of the benefits that are expected to be realized from the proposed Project or Component.
   - Describe how the claimed benefits will be evaluated and quantified.
   - Describe how the proposed Project or Component benefits align with objectives and actions from other planning documents or State agency initiatives (e.g., Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plans, SWRP's, Water Resiliency Portfolio, Prop 1 IRWM DAC Involvement Needs Assessment Report, California's Healthy Soils Initiative, Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund Expenditure Plan and Policy, the State Water Board's SAFER Program, and other Integrated Watershed Management planning efforts).
   - Describe how the proposed Project or Component benefits align with Proposition 68's preferences.
   - Describe how the proposed Project or Component benefits align with individual the GSP's sustainability goal.
   - Ensure that the benefits are well defined, clearly identified, and fully supported with backup documents.

9. (2 points) Will the proposed Project or Component positively impact issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells (groundwater contamination vulnerability, drawdown, etc.)?
   - Provide justification such as domestic well census results, water system maps, service area maps, etc.
   - Explain if the Project or Component will help address the needs of the State Water Board's SAFER Program.

10. (2 points) Describe how stakeholders and the broader community will be engaged in the development and implementation of this project. Describe how this will improve upon GSA stakeholder and community engagement efforts to date.

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TABLE 9 – APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA (FOR PROJECT OR COMPONENT)

Section Name	Q#	Questions	Attachment(s)	Possible Points	Scoring Guidance
Project Description	1	Was a description of the proposed Project or Component provided? Did it explain why this Project or Component was chosen over all others identified in the Plan in terms of benefits provided, communities served, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, plan implementation timeline, and feasibility?	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Description	2	Did the Work Plan provide a description of the circumstances that initiated the Project or Component, the criteria that triggered implementation of the Project, the process the Agency utilized to determine that conditions require Project or Component implementation, and criteria that would trigger Project or Component termination? Were page references to the Plan provided?	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Description	3	Does the proposal provide a brief description of the groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results? Does the proposal assess if and how groundwater users will be impacted upon implementation of the proposed project? Were page references to the Plan provided? • *A half point for each (i.e., groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results) is possible. The final score will be rounded up to the nearest whole number for the final score. No points will be awarded if page references are not provided.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Description	4	Does the Project Description demonstrate the goals, objectives, and needs of the proposed Project or Component? How does the Project or Component meet those? If there are multiple Components, does it demonstrate how they work together as a whole to address the goals, objectives, and needs? Do the descriptive elements align with other planning documents such as IRWM Plans, SWRP, etc.? • *Goals, objectives, and needs are worth a total of 1 point.* • *How the Project or Component meets the groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goals, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results is worth 3 points with 0.5 points addressed to each listed.* • *Goals, objectives, and needs of the Project or Component aligning with other planning documents is worth 1 point. No points will be given if not addressed. No points will be awarded if page references are not provided.*	3	5	• 5 – All aspects of the question are addressed, and backup documentation and/or explanation provided sufficient detail to justify claims. • 4 – All aspects of the question are addressed; however, the backup documentation and/or explanation is lacking detail. • 3 – All aspects of the question are moderately addressed; however, the backup documentation did not provide backup documentation and/or explanation to justify claims. • 2 – Missing aspects of the question; however, backup documentation and/or explanation missing details. • 1 – Outlined some aspects of the question and did not provide backup documentation and/or explanation to justify the claim. • 0 – Not addressed
Project Description	5	Was there a regional and Project map(s) depicting the site location, current conditions, Underrepresented Community, and benefitting areas? • *A point will be provided for each detail listed and can be depicted on one or multiple maps. However, the information should be clear and easy to read. If not, the point will not be given for that particular map.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Description	6	Did the applicant provide a map and narrative of current and historical land use(s) of the site and surrounding area? Did the applicant provide a description of current and historical groundwater and soil contamination issues at the site or in the vicinity of the Project site? • *A point for each map and description is possible. The description will be scored according to the defined scoring criteria; however, a score of 0 will be given if a map is not accompanying the description.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

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Project Description	1	Was a description of the proposed Project or Component provided? Did it explain why this Project or Component was chosen over all others identified in the Plan in terms of benefits provided, communities served, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, plan implementation timeline, and feasibility?	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Provide a complete, detailed description of the overall proposed Project or Component
  - The description must explain as to why the proposed Project or Project Components were chosen over other projects included in the Projects and Management Actions section of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) in terms of benefits provided, communities served, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, plan implementation timeline, and feasibility.

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Project Description	2	Did the Work Plan provide a description of the circumstances that initiated the Project or Component, the criteria that triggered implementation of the Project, the process the Agency utilized to determine that conditions require Project or Component implementation, and criteria that would trigger Project or Component termination? Were page references to the Plan provided?	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Display compliance with own GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Fully describe the circumstances that initiated the Project or Component. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Describe the criteria that triggered implementation of the proposed Project or Component and the process the Agency utilized to determine that conditions require Project and Component Implementation. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Fully describe the criteria that would trigger Project or Component termination. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.

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Project Description	3	Does the proposal provide a brief description of the groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results? Does the proposal assess if and how groundwater users will be impacted upon implementation of the proposed project? Were page references to the Plan provided? • *A half point for each (i.e., groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results) is possible. The final score will be rounded up to the nearest whole number for the final score. No points will be awarded if page references are not provided.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Fully describe the groundwater basin setting in a manner that someone who is not familiar with your area can understand the challenges the basin is facing. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Fully list all beneficial uses of the basin, impacts to those beneficial uses, and how you are mitigating the impacts. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Describe the sustainability goal, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results. Reference section(s) in the GSP(s) or approved Alternative.
  - Outline how the Project/Component assesses if/how groundwater users will be impacted once the Project/Component is implemented. If there is a negative impact, what is being completed to mitigate the impact?

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Project Description	4	Does the Project Description demonstrate the goals, objectives, and needs of the proposed Project or Component? How does the Project or Component meet those? If there are multiple Components, does it demonstrate how they work together as a whole to address the goals, objectives, and needs? Do the descriptive elements align with other planning documents such as IRWM Plans, SWRP, etc.? • *Goals, objectives, and needs are worth a total of 1 point.* • *How the Project or Component meets the groundwater basin setting, beneficial uses, sustainability goals, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and undesirable results is worth 3 points with 0.5 points addressed to each listed.* • *Goals, objectives, and needs of the Project or Component aligning with other planning documents is worth 1 point. No points will be given if not addressed. No points will be awarded if page references are not provided.*	3	5	• 5 – All aspects of the question are addressed, and backup documentation and/or explanation provided sufficient detail to justify claims. • 4 – All aspects of the question are addressed; however, the backup documentation and/or explanation is lacking detail. • 3 – All aspects of the question are moderately addressed; however, the backup documentation did not provide backup documentation and/or explanation to justify claims. • 2 – Missing aspects of the question; however, backup documentation and/or explanation missing details. • 1 – Outlined some aspects of the question and did not provide backup documentation and/or explanation to justify the claim. • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must provide a detailed description of the proposed Project or Component's goals, objectives, and needs
  - Applicants must state explicitly how the goals, objectives, and needs will be met by the proposed Project or Component
  - If the applicant is proposing a multi-component Project, then applicants must completely describe how the different Project components work together as a whole to address the goals, objectives and needs of the proposed Project.
  - Describe how the proposed Project or Component aligns with other planning documents, such as IRWM Plans, SWRP, etc.
  - Reference section(s) in the GSP(s), approved Alternative, and other planning documents.

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Project Description	5	Was there a regional and Project map(s) depicting the site location, current conditions, Underrepresented Community, and benefitting areas? • *A point will be provided for each detail listed and can be depicted on one or multiple maps. However, the information should be clear and easy to read. If not, the point will not be given for that particular map.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must provide a regional and Project map(s) that includes:
    - Site location
    - Current conditions
    - Underrepresented communities
    - Benefitting areas
    - Multiple maps can be submitted
  - Ensure map(s) is easy to read and clear

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Project Description	6	Did the applicant provide a map and narrative of current and historical land use(s) of the site and surrounding area? Did the applicant provide a description of current and historical groundwater and soil contamination issues at the site or in the vicinity of the Project site? • *A point for each map and description is possible. The description will be scored according to the defined scoring criteria; however, a score of 0 will be given if a map is not accompanying the description.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must provide a map(s) and narrative that presents:
    - Current land use at Project site and surrounding area
    - Historical land use at Project site and surrounding area
  - Applicants must describe, in detail, current and historical groundwater and soil contamination issues at the site or in the vicinity of the Project or Component site

Scoring Criteria – Project Benefits

Project Benefits	7	Does the Project or Component build or help build soil organics that increase water infiltration, storage, and percolation on natural and working lands; provide improvements to soil health and the building of soil organic matter; or explicitly improve water infiltration, retention and storage using agricultural practices that build healthy soil?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Benefits	8	Will the Project or Component provide at least three quantifiable benefits (refer to Page 10)? Was an explanation of the benefits that are expected to be realized from the Project or Component provided, and how those benefits will be evaluated and quantified? Does one of the Project or Component benefits align with objectives and actions from other planning documents or State agency initiatives (e.g., Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plans, SWRPs, Water Resiliency Portfolio, Prop 1 IRWM DAC Involvement Needs Assessment Report, California's Healthy Soils Initiative, Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund Expenditure Plan and Policy, the State Water Board's SAFER Program, and other Integrated Watershed Management planning efforts)? Does one of the Projects or Component benefits address a Proposition 68 preference? Does one address individual GSPs sustainability goals? • *A minimum of 3 quantifiable benefits are required to obtain a score of 2 points if the benefits are well defined. To obtain full points, 3 or more quantifiable benefits must be identified and fully supported with backup documentation, with at least one benefit being from Proposition 68 preferences, one addressing the GSPs sustainability goal, and one addressing benefits of multiple planning documents.*	3	5	• 5 – 4 (or more) quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 4 – 3 quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 3 – 3 quantifiable benefits without sufficient backup documentation but they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 2 – 2 quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and the benefits align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 1 – 2 quantifiable benefits without sufficient backup documentation and do not align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 0 – less than 2 quantifiable benefits are listed, or the benefits provided do not have supporting documentation.
Project Benefits	9	Will the Project or Component positively impact issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells (groundwater contamination vulnerability, drawdown, etc.)? Was justification such as domestic well census results, water system maps, service area maps, etc. provided? Does the Project or Component help address the needs of the State Water Board's SAFER Program? • *A reasonable explanation of how the Project or Component addresses issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells is expected to receive full points.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Benefits	10	Describe how stakeholders and the broader community will be engaged in the development and implementation of this project. Also, describe how these efforts will improve upon GSA stakeholder and community engagement efforts to date.	3	2	• 2 –Fully addressed • 1 –Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Project Benefits	11	Is the Project or Component located within an Underrepresented Community as defined on Page 7? Will the Project or Component benefit an Underrepresented Community? Were the Underrepresented Community(-ies) that the Project or Component will benefit identified? Did the Work Plan demonstrate how the goals and objective of the Project or Component will provide measurable benefits to the Underrepresented Community(-ies)? Was a description of outreach activities for Underrepresented Communities provided? Were the concerns and priorities identified from Underrepresented Communities or community representatives during stakeholder outreach activities identified? Were letters of support from the Underrepresented Community(-ies) or representatives of Underrepresented Community(-ies) provided? *Zero points will be awarded if the applicant does not obtain support letters.*	3	4	• 4 – Located within and solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; outreach activities included; needs of Underrepresented Community fully addressed; minimum support letters provided. • 3 – Located within and solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; outreach activities included; minimum support letters provided; needs of Underrepresented Community not fully addressed. • 2 – Not located within but solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; needs of Underrepresented Community moderately addressed; letters of support provided. • 1 – Not located within but a minimum of 50% of the benefits are for an Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; needs of Underrepresented Community not addressed; letters of support provided. • 0 – not located nor benefits an Underrepresented Community; benefits not well defined.
Project Benefits	12	How does the proposed Project or Component address the Human Right to Water (AB 685 Section 106.3)? How will the Project or Component support the established policy of the State that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

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Project Benefits	7	Does the Project or Component build or help build soil organics that increase water infiltration, storage, and percolation on natural and working lands; provide improvements to soil health and the building of soil organic matter; or explicitly improve water infiltration, retention and storage using agricultural practices that build healthy soil?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must describe in detail if:
    - The proposed Project or Component Helps build soil organics that increase water infiltration, storage, percolation on natural and working lands;
    - Provides improvements to soil health and builds soil organic matter; or
    - Explicitly improves water infiltration, retention, and storage using agricultural practices that build healthy soils.

Scoring Criteria – Project Benefits

Project Benefits	8	Will the Project or Component provide at least three quantifiable benefits (refer to Page 10)? Was an explanation of the benefits that are expected to be realized from the Project or Component provided, and how those benefits will be evaluated and quantified? Does one of the Project or Component benefits align with objectives and actions from other planning documents or State agency initiatives (e.g., Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plans, SWRPs, Water Resiliency Portfolio, Prop 1 IRWM DAC Involvement Needs Assessment Report, California's Healthy Soils Initiative, Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund Expenditure Plan and Policy, the State Water Board's SAFER Program, and other Integrated Watershed Management planning efforts)? Does one of the Projects or Component benefits address a Proposition 68 preference? Does one address individual GSPs sustainability goals? • *A minimum of 3 quantifiable benefits are required to obtain a score of 2 points if the benefits are well defined. To obtain full points, 3 or more quantifiable benefits must be identified and fully supported with backup documentation, with at least one benefit being from Proposition 68 preferences, one addressing the GSPs sustainability goal, and one addressing benefits of multiple planning documents.*	3	5	• 5 – 4 (or more) quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 4 – 3 quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 3 – 3 quantifiable benefits without sufficient backup documentation but they align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 2 – 2 quantifiable benefits with sufficient backup documentation and the benefits align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 1 – 2 quantifiable benefits without sufficient backup documentation and do not align with other planning documents and State agency initiatives. • 0 – less than 2 quantifiable benefits are listed, or the benefits provided do not have supporting documentation.

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- To obtain full points for question #8:
  - The proposed Project/Component must provide a minimum of three quantifiable benefits
  - The claimed benefits must be well defined, clearly identified, and fully supported with backup documentation
  - Applicants must describe, in detail:
    - The benefits that are expected to be realized by the proposed Project or Component
    - How the claimed benefits will be evaluated and quantified
    - How the proposed Project or Component benefits align with Proposition 68's preferences
    - How the proposed Project or Component benefits align with individual the GSP's sustainability goal
    - How the claimed benefits align with objectives and actions from other planning documents or State agency initiatives

Scoring Criteria – Project Benefits

Project Benefits	9	Will the Project or Component positively impact issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells (groundwater contamination vulnerability, drawdown, etc.)? Was justification such as domestic well census results, water system maps, service area maps, etc. provided? Does the Project or Component help address the needs of the State Water Board's SAFER Program? • *A reasonable explanation of how the Project or Component addresses issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells is*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must describe in detail if the proposed Project or Component positively impacts issues associated with small water systems or private shallow domestic wells
  - Justification such as domestic well census results, water system maps, service area maps, etc. must be provided to support the description.
  - The Project/Component addresses the needs of the State Water Board's SAFER Program and is fully described

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	Project Benefits	10	Describe how stakeholders and the broader community will be engaged in the development and implementation of this project. Also, describe how these efforts will improve upon GSA stakeholder and community engagement efforts to date.	3	2	• 2 –Fully addressed • 1 –Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Applicants must describe in detail how stakeholders and the broader community will be engaged in the development and implementation of this project.
  - Outreach efforts must improve on GSA stakeholder and community engagement efforts to date.

Scoring Criteria – Project Benefits

Project Benefits	11	Is the Project or Component located within an Underrepresented Community as defined on Page 7? Will the Project or Component benefit an Underrepresented Community? Were the Underrepresented Community(-ies) that the Project or Component will benefit identified? Did the Work Plan demonstrate how the goals and objective of the Project or Component will provide measurable benefits to the Underrepresented Community(-ies)? Was a description of outreach activities for Underrepresented Communities provided? Were the concerns and priorities identified from Underrepresented Communities or community representatives during stakeholder outreach activities identified? Were letters of support from the Underrepresented Community(-ies) or representatives of Underrepresented Community(-ies) provided? *Zero points will be awarded if the applicant does not obtain support letters.*	3	4	• 4 – Located within and solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; outreach activities included; needs of Underrepresented Community fully addressed; minimum support letters provided. • 3 – Located within and solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; outreach activities included; minimum support letters provided; needs of Underrepresented Community not fully addressed. • 2 – Not located within but solely benefits the Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; needs of Underrepresented Community moderately addressed; letters of support provided. • 1 – Not located within but a minimum of 50% of the benefits are for an Underrepresented Community; Underrepresented Community clearly identified; needs of Underrepresented Community not addressed; letters of support provided. • 0 – not located nor benefits an Underrepresented Community; benefits not well defined.

- To obtain full points:
  - Describe if the proposed Project or Component will be located within an Underrepresented Community
  - Identify the Underrepresented Communities that the proposed Project or Component will be benefiting. Does the project solely benefit the Underrepresented Community? Define the percentage of benefits that will go to the Underrepresented Community.
  - In the Work Plan, demonstrate how the goals and objectives of the proposed Project or Component will provide measurable benefits to the Underrepresented Communities.
  - Provide a detailed description of outreach activities provided to Underrepresented Communities. What topics do the outreach activities address?
  - Explain the concerns and priorities identified by Underrepresented Communities or community representatives were identified during stakeholder outreach activities. How will these concerns and priorities be addressed?
  - Zero points will be awarded if the applicant does not obtain support letters

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Scoring Criteria – Project Benefits

Project Benefits	12	How does the proposed Project or Component address the Human Right to Water (AB 685 Section 106.3)? How will the Project or Component support the established policy of the State that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Describe how the proposed Project or Component addresses the Human Right to Water (AB 685 Section 106.3)
  - *Fully* describe how the Project or Component supports the established policy of the State that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking and sanitary purposes.

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Scoring Criteria – Technical Expertise

Technical Expertise	13	Does the Work Plan identify the roles and responsibilities of the key personnel responsible for the completion of the Project or Component? Do the key personnel demonstrate the appropriate experience, knowledge, and skills necessary to successfully complete the Project? Were assurances given that the plans and specifications and construction will be prepared by or under the direction of a licensed professional geologist or professional engineer, as applicable? Did the applicant contact the California Conservation Corp (CCC) to obtain their services for the Project or Component and provide proof from the CCC? • *To obtain full points, you must submit a completed evaluation form from the CCC to demonstrate you reached out to them.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Technical Expertise	14	Have the key personnel identified in Question 13 successfully completed a general obligation bond-funded project through a State grant program? If not, did the applicant provide a clear understanding of the expectations required to successfully complete a bond-funded grant? *To obtain one point, applicant must answer question, but it is not necessary that the applicant have previously completed project with a State grant program. The question is posed to determined that if applicant is awarded a grant that they have an understanding of oversite needed to ensure grant is successful.*	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Technical Expertise	15	Does the applicant have the legal access rights, easements, or other access capabilities to the property to implement the Project or Component? If not, does the applicant provide a clear and concise narrative and schedule to obtain the necessary access? *The applicant must demonstrate legal access rights, easements, or other access capabilities to the property to obtain full points.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Technical Expertise	16	Did the applicant provide a description of the legal authority required for the Project or Component, management action, and the basis for that authority within the Agency?	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Technical Expertise	17	Did the applicant list all permits, easements, right of ways, CEQA documentation, resolutions needed, etc. for the Project or Component and the status of each? *In order to obtain points, the applicant must describe the steps that are needed and the steps already taken to obtain the required permits; state whether the applicant reached out to the required permitting agencies (e.g. State Water Resources Control Board, Regional Water Quality Control Board, US Army Corps of Engineers) to discuss the proposed project or component; describe the feedback received by the required permitting agencies; and provide a statement from the permitting agency regarding if the required permit(s) could be provided within the timeline allowed for the grant.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

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Scoring Criteria – Technical Expertise

Technical Expertise	13	Does the Work Plan identify the roles and responsibilities of the key personnel responsible for the completion of the Project or Component? Do the key personnel demonstrate the appropriate experience, knowledge, and skills necessary to successfully complete the Project? Were assurances given that the plans and specifications and construction will be prepared by or under the direction of a licensed professional geologist or professional engineer, as applicable? Did the applicant contact the California Conservation Corp (CCC) to obtain their services for the Project or Component and provide proof from the CCC? • *To obtain full points, you must submit a completed evaluation form from the CCC to demonstrate you reached out to them.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Explain the different roles and responsibilities of the key personnel responsible for the completion of the proposed Project or Component.
  - Demonstrate that the key personnel have appropriate experience, knowledge, and skills necessary to complete the proposed Project or Component.
  - Describe the key personnel's experience, knowledge, and skills necessary to successfully complete the proposed Project or Component.
  - Provide documentation that the plans, specifications, and construction activities will be completed by or under the direction of a licensed professional geologist or professional engineer with the experience required to complete those tasks, as applicable.
  - If the applicant contacted the California Conservation Corp (CCC) to obtain their services for the proposed Project or Component, *include a completed evaluation from the CCC to demonstrate that the applicant reached out to the them*.

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Technical Expertise	14	Have the key personnel identified in Question 13 successfully completed a general obligation bond-funded project through a State grant program? If not, did the applicant provide a clear understanding of the expectations required to successfully complete a bond-funded grant? *To obtain one point, applicant must answer question, but it is not necessary that the applicant have previously completed project with a State grant program. The question is posed to determined that if applicant is awarded a grant that they have an understanding of oversight needed to ensure grant is successful.*	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full *points*:
  - Provide a description of projects completed by the key personnel (from question 13) that were successfully completed with general obligation bond-funds through a State grant program (at DWR or other state agencies).
  - If this will be the personnel's first project funded by such a grant, demonstrate their clear *and complete* understanding of the expectations required to successfully complete a bond-funded grant.

Scoring Criteria – Technical Expertise

Technical Expertise	15	Does the applicant have the legal access rights, easements, or other access capabilities to the property to implement the Project or Component? If not, does the applicant provide a clear and concise narrative and schedule to obtain the necessary access? *The applicant must demonstrate legal access rights, easements, or other access capabilities to the property to obtain full points.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Describe if the applicant has the legal access rights, easements, or other access capabilities to the property to implement the proposed Project or Component. The applicant must demonstrate these to be awarded the full points.
  - If the applicant does not have the necessary access to the property for their proposed Project or Component at this time, the applicant must provide a clear and concise narrative and schedule to obtain the necessary access.

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Technical Expertise	16	Did the applicant provide a description of the legal authority required for the Project or Component, management action, and the basis for that authority within the Agency?	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Provide a description of the legal authority required for the proposed Project or Component, management action, and the basis for that authority within the Agency.

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Technical Expertise	17	Did the applicant list all permits, easements, right of ways, CEQA documentation, resolutions needed, etc. for the Project or Component and the status of each? *In order to obtain points, the applicant must describe the steps that are needed and the steps already taken to obtain the required permits; state whether the applicant reached out to the required permitting agencies (e.g. State Water Resources Control Board, Regional Water Quality Control Board, US Army Corps of Engineers) to discuss the proposed project or component; describe the feedback received by the required permitting agencies; and provide a statement from the permitting agency regarding if the required permit(s) could be provided within the timeline allowed for the grant.*	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - List all permits, easements, right of ways, CEQA documentation, resolutions needed, etc., for the proposed Project or Component and the status of each.
  - Describe the steps that are needed, and the steps already taken to obtain the required permits.
  - State whether *all* required permitting agencies (State Water Resources Control Board, Regional Water Quality Control Board, US Army Corps of Engineers, etc.) *have been contacted* to discuss the proposed Project or Component.
  - Describe the feedback received by the required permitting agencies. Provide a statement from the permitting agency regarding if the required permit(s) could be provided within the timeline allowed for the grant.

Scoring Criteria – Scope of Work and Deliverables

Scope of Work and Deliverables	18	Does the Work Plan include an adequate description of any key decision points, milestones, or deliverables that could impact the Project or Component scope, cost, and schedule?	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Scope of Work and Deliverables	19	Does the Work Plan include a complete description of all tasks necessary to result in a completed Project or Component? Are all necessary and reasonable deliverables identified? *To obtain full points, a full description of each task and/or subtask should be provided. You cannot just list the task and expect to obtain points.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Scope of Work and Deliverables	20	Does the Work Plan include a discussion of coordination with other entities, agencies, and/or organizations and a detailed description of the approach and practices the Project or Component is proposing to use and technical basis for approach?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

Scoring Criteria – Scope of Work and Deliverables

Scope of Work and Deliverables	18	Does the Work Plan include an adequate description of any key decision points, milestones, or deliverables that could impact the Project or Component scope, cost, and schedule?	3	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - In the Work Plan, include a complete description of any key decision points, milestones, or deliverables that could impact the Project's or Component's scope, cost, and schedule.

Scoring Criteria – Scope of Work and Deliverables

Scope of Work and Deliverables	19	Does the Work Plan include a complete description of all tasks necessary to result in a completed Project or Component? Are all necessary and reasonable deliverables identified? *To obtain full points, a full description of each task and/or subtask should be provided. You cannot just list the task and expect to obtain points.*	3	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Include in the Work Plan a complete description of all tasks necessary to result in a completed Project or Component. Include the percent complete (0 – 100%) completed of each task.
  - Provide a full description of each task and subtask. The description should provide enough information for technical reviewers to clearly understand and evaluate the level of work to be performed and substantiate costs estimates in the Budget.
  - Tasks cannot be duplicative or inconsistent with a previously funded task.
  - Include a description of all necessary and reasonable deliverables that have been identified. A minimum of one (1) deliverable must be provided per task. The provided deliverables should be actual work products that can be submitted to DWR, such as copies of GSP; project design; supporting tests completed in support of well design, drilling, completion, etc.

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Scoring Criteria – Scope of Work and Deliverables

Scope of Work and Deliverables	20	Does the Work Plan include a discussion of coordination with other entities, agencies, and/or organizations and a detailed description of the approach and practices the Project or Component is proposing to use and technical basis for approach?	3	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

- To obtain full points:
  - Include in the Work Plan a description of coordination efforts with other entities, agencies, and/or organizations.
  - Include a detailed description of the approach and practices associated with the proposed Project or Component and the technical basis for each approach.

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Questions on Work Plan Template?
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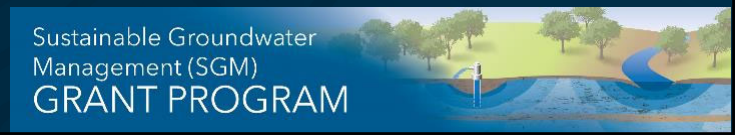

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Attachment 4 – Budget Template

ATTACHMENT 4

GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARY BUDGET – TEMPLATES

Attachment 4 (the combination of Tables 6 and 7, with a written description) is mandatory and includes the estimated costs of each component in the application. Use the appropriate Table 5: Proposal Summary Budget Table (Table 6A, No Components) with Table 7A: Proposal Detailed Budget (No Components) or Component Detailed Budget (Table 6B, Multiple Components) with Table 7B: Proposal Detailed Budget (Multiple Components). For the Budget Tables, costs must be broken down consistent with how tasks are presented in the Work Plan (Attachment 3). For example, if the Work Plan describes projects at the task and subtask level, the budget must also present costs at the task and subtask level. In addition to the tables, the applicant must provide a description explaining how the values were derived. The description must not exceed 2 pages per component using a minimum Arial, 10-point type font. Any backup documentation for the costs provided (e.g., engineer's estimates, estimates from consultants/contractors, budgets from a past similar project, etc.) are not included within the 2-page limit.

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***NOTE:** the maximum grant administration budget cannot exceed 10% and the maximum construction administration budget cannot exceed 15% of the requested grant funds.*

If there are no components to the proposal, Tables 6A and 7A should be used:

Table 6A – Grant Proposal Summary Budget (No Components)

GRANT PROPOSAL TITLE: _____

Grant proposal serves a need of an Underrepresented Community: Yes ☐ No ☐

Local Cost Share requested: ☐ 25% ☐ 15% ☐ 5% ☐ 0%

Budget Categories [1]	(a) Requested Grant Amount	(b) Local Cost Share: Non-State Fund Source[2]	(c) Total Cost	(d) % Local Cost Share (Col (b) / Col (c))
(a) Grant Administration	$0	$0	$0	%
(b) Planning / Design / Environmental	$0	$0	$0	%
(c) Construction / Implementation	$0	$0	$0	%
(d) Monitoring / Assessment	$0	$0	$0	%
(e) Stakeholder Outreach / Public Education				
Grand Total *Sum rows (a) through (d) for each column*	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	%

[1] Only these Budget Categories shall be used. Tasks can be added for more detail.

[2] List sources of funding: *Use as much space as required here. Local Cost Share is calculated based on the total project cost (grant amount plus match), **not** the grant amount. Total project cost x %Local Cost Share = required match.*

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(b) Planning / Design / Environmental	$0	$0	$0	%
(c) Construction / Implementation	$0	$0	$0	%
(d) Monitoring / Assessment	$0	$0	$0	%
(e) Stakeholder Outreach / Public Education				
Grand Total *Sum rows (a) through (d) for each column*	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	%

[1] Only these Budget Categories shall be used. Tasks can be added for more detail.
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GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARY BUDGET – TEMPLATES

To obtain points for the Budget, the applicants must use the prepared templates. Table 7A must be completed for each component in the proposal. Table 7A includes the required budget categories listed in Table 6A. If applicable, additional rows must be added under the applicable budget categories to present the cost of each task described in Attachment 3 (Work Plan). For example, if the Work Plan describes components at the task and subtask level, the budget must also present costs at the task and subtask level.

Table 7A – Proposal Detailed Budget (No Components)

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

Budget Categories [1]	(a) Requested Grant Amount	(b) Local Cost Share: Non-State Fund Source[2]	(c) Total Cost
(a) Grant Administration	**$0**	**$0**	--
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task 2. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
(b) Planning / Design / Environmental	**$0**	**$0**	--
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
(c) Construction / Implementation	**$0**	**$0**	--
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
(d) Monitoring / Assessment	**$0**	**$0**	--
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
(d) Stakeholder Outreach / Public Education	**$0**	**$0**	--
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
Grand Total *Sum rows (a) through (d) for each column*	***Grand Total from Table 6A, column (a) Proposal Total***	***Grand Total from Table 6A, column (b) Proposal Total***	***Grand Total from Table 6A, column (c) Proposal Total***

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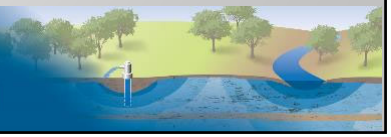

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Attachment 4 – Budget Template

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If there are components to the proposal, Tables 6B and 7B should be used:

Table 6B – Grant Proposal Summary Budget (Multiple Components)

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

Grant proposal serves a need of an Underrepresented Community: Yes ☐ No ☐

Local Cost Share requested: ☐ 25% ☐ 15% ☐ 5% ☐ 0%

Budget Categories [1]	(a) Requested Grant Amount	(b) Local Cost Share: Non-State Fund Source[2]	(c) Total Cost	(d) % Local Cost Share (Col (b)/ Col (c))
Component 1 Grant Administration	$0	$0	$0	%
Component 2: Title	$0	$0	$0	%
Component 3: Title	$0	$0	$0	%
Component n: Title	$0	$0	$0	%
Grand Total *Sum rows (1) through (n) for each column*	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	%

[1] These components are shown here for example purpose only. Actual number of components may vary.
[2] List sources of funding: *Use as much space as required. Local Cost Share is calculated based on the total project cost (grant amount plus match), **not** the grant amount. Total project cost x %Local Cost Share = required match.*

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PROPOSAL/COMPONENT DETAILED BUDGET – TEMPLATE

To obtain points for the Budget, the applicants must use the prepared templates. Table 7B must be completed for each component in the proposal. Table 7 includes the required budget categories listed in Table 6B. If applicable, additional rows must be added under the applicable budget categories to present the cost of each task described in Attachment 3 (Work Plan).

Table 7B – Proposal/Component Detailed Budget (Multiple Components)

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

Component Title: Component 1: Grant Administration

Budget Categories [1]	(a) Requested Grant Amount	(b) Local Cost Share: Non-State Fund Source[2]	(c) Total Cost
(a) Grant Administration	**$0**	**$0**	***Total from Table 6B, column (c), row (a)***
Task 1. xx	$0	$0	--
Task 2. xx	$0	$0	--
Task n. xx	$0	$0	--
Grand Total *Sum rows in Category (a) for each column*	***Grand Total from Table 6B, column (a) Proposal Total***	***Grand Total from Table 6B, column (b) Proposal Total***	***Grand Total from Table 6B, column (c) Proposal Total***

[1] Only these Budget Categories shall be used. Tasks should be added for more detail.
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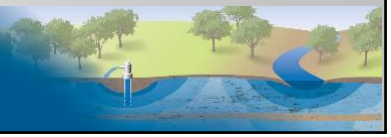

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Attachment 5 – Schedule Template

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SCHEDULE – TEMPLATE

Attachment 5 shall include a schedule for each component showing the sequence and timing of each of the tasks. Attachment 5 shall also include a schedule for implementation of the proposal showing the sequence and timing of each of the proposed components, as shown in Table 8A – Grant Proposal Schedule (No Components) and Table 8B – Grant Proposal Schedule (Multiple Components).

The Project Schedule must show the start and end dates as well as milestones for each task contained in the Work Plan. To obtain points for the Schedule, the applicants must use the prepared templates. Any changes made to this template, reluctance using the template, or changes made to the font type and size will not be reviewed or scored by our technical staff. However, if there are no components to the proposal, those rows may be removed.

The Schedule should illustrate any dependencies or predecessors by showing links between tasks. Applicants must include a reasonable estimate of the end date, based on their proposal, including time for any final reports and invoicing. The Schedule, Attachment 5, must be consistent with the Work Plan (Attachment 3) and the Budget (Attachment 4). The Proposal start dates presented in the Schedule must be after January 31, 2020 and the Work Completion Dates presented in the Schedule should have an end date of no later than April 30, 2024. The description must not exceed 2 pages per component using a minimum Arial, 10-point type font.

Explain the plan for environmental compliance and permitting, if applicable, including a discussion of the following items:

- *A description of the plan, proposed efforts, and approach to environmental compliance, including addressing any California Environmental Quality Act obligations in connection with the proposal;*
- *A listing of environmental related permits or entitlements that are needed for the Project;*
- *Any other applicable permits that will be required;*
- A description of the steps needed, and the steps already taken to obtain the required permits;
- A statement of whether the applicant reached out to required permitting agencies (State Water Resources Control Board, Regional Water Quality Control Board, US Army Corps of Engineers, etc.) to discuss the proposed Project or Component; and
- A description of the feedback received by the required permitting agencies, including if the permitting agency felt that the required permit(s) could be provided within the timeline allowed for the grant.

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Attachment 5 – Schedule Template

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SCHEDULE – TEMPLATE

If there are no components to the proposal, Table 8A should be used:

Table 8A – Grant Proposal Schedule (No Components)

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

Categories	Start Date (Earliest Start Date)	End Date (Latest End Date)
(a) Grant Agreement Administration		
Task n. xx		
(b) Planning / Design / Environmental		
Task n. xx		
(c) Construction / Implementation		
Task n. xx		
(d) Monitoring / Assessment		
Task n. xx		
(e) Stakeholder Outreach / Public Education		
Task n. xx		

ATTACHMENT 5

SCHEDULE – TEMPLATE

If there are components to the proposal, Table 8B should be used:

Table 8B – Grant Proposal Schedule (Multiple Components)

Grant Proposal Title: _____

Applicant: _____

Component Title: _____

Categories	Start Date	End Date
Component 1: Grant Agreement Administration	Earliest Start Date	Latest End Date
(a) Grant Agreement Administration		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
Component 2: Title	Earliest Start Date	Latest End Date
(a) Component Administration		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(b) Planning / Design / Environmental		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(c) Construction / Implementation		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(d) Monitoring / Assessment		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(e) Stakeholder Outreach / Public Education		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
Component n: Title	Earliest Start Date	Latest End Date
(a) Component Administration		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(b) Planning / Design / Environmental		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(c) Construction / Implementation		
Task 1. xx		
Task n. xx		
(d) Monitoring / Assessment		
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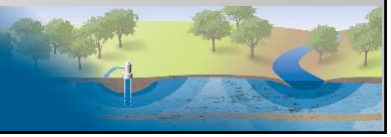

Scoring Criteria – Budget and Schedule

Budget and Schedule	21	Does the Budget reflect the priorities and goals identified in the Project or Component description? Is it consistent with the priorities and goals? Is the Budget complete and reasonable to execute the Work Plan on the Schedule provided?	3 & 4	3	• 3 – Fully addressed • 2 – Mostly addressed, with minor details not included or unclear • 1 – Marginally addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Budget and Schedule	22	Does the Budget leverage fund with other private, Federal, or local fund sources? If not, does the Project or Component qualify for a local cost share waiver?	4	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Budget and Schedule	23	Is the Grant Administration costs and the Construction Administration costs 10% and 15%, or less, respectively, of the overall grant funds requested?	4	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Budget and Schedule	24	Were quotes, bids, engineer's cost estimates, or cost for a similarly completed project provided to justify the costs listed within the Budget?	4	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Budget and Schedule	25	Is the Budget and Schedule consistent with the Work Plan Scope of Work (e.g., tasks and subtasks outlined in the Scope of Work are also outlined in the same level of detail within the Budget and Schedule)?	3, 4, & 5	2	• 2 – Fully addressed • 1 – Less than fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed
Budget and Schedule	26	Given the level of effort described in the Work Plan, does the Schedule seem reasonable?	3 & 5	1	• 1 – Fully addressed • 0 – Not addressed

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Attachment 6 – Underrepresented Communities

- Applicants consult the 2019 Guidelines, Appendix D to determine if a project benefit area includes a DA
- Include:
  - Map outlining the benefit area and the location of the DA
  - Letters of Support
  - Measurable, quantifiable benefits
- Alternative studies (e.g. local income surveys, a subset of a block group, etc.) may substitute census data

Underrepresented Communities Classifications

- Disadvantaged Communities (DACs), Severely Disadvantaged Communities (SDACs), Economically Distressed Area (EDAs)
  - as defined in the 2019 Guidelines
- Tribal Lands/Tribes
  - as defined in the 2019 Guidelines
- **Environmentally Disadvantaged Communities (EnvDACs)**
- **Fringe Communities**

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Summary – DAC & SDAC

1. DAC: a community with an annual median household income that is less than 80% of the Statewide annual median household income

A. Using the DWR DAC Mapping Tool
   a. Go to https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/mapping-tools to access the DAC mapping tool
   b. Click either census place, census tract, or census block from the layer list
   c. Type in the specific census place, census tract, or census block
   d. Click on the shapefile
   e. If the census place, census tract, or census block is <80% of the Statewide annual median household income, then it is considered a DAC

2. SDAC: a community with a median household income of less than 60% of the Statewide average

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   b. Click either census place, census tract, or census block from the layer list
   c. Type in the specific census place, census tract, or census block
   d. Click on the shapefile
   e. If the census place, census tract, or census block is <60% of the Statewide annual median household income, then it is considered an SDAC

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Slide 60

TPM12 Added these summary slides, but please look over the wording if you are able to just in case I may have confused anything, especially what you mentioned about EDAs

Trisha Patrice Madayag, 12/2/2020

Summary – EDA & Tribal Lands/Tribes

3. EDA: a municipality with a population of 20,000 persons or less with an annual median household income that is less than 85% of the Statewide median household income, *and with one or more of the following conditions as determined by the department: (1) financial hardship, (2) Unemployment rate at least 2% higher than the Statewide average, or (3) low population density*.

A. Using the DWR EDA Mapping Tool
   a. Go to https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/mapping-tools to access the EDA mapping tool
   b. Click either census place, census tract, or census block from the layer list Type in the specific census place, census tract, or census block
   c. If the census place, census tract, or census block containing a qualifying EDA condition, then it will be highlighted in orange

4. Tribal Lands/Tribes: including "state Indian tribes" and "federally recognized Tribe"

A. The Tribal Land/Tribe must be in the NAHC Directory. SGM Staff will utilize the NAHC directory for evaluations

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Two New Groups Using CalEnviroScreen 3.0

1. Environmentally Disadvantaged Communities (EnvDACs)

- Highest 25% scoring census tracts as DACs
- Highest 5% of Pollution Burden scores that do not have an overall CalEnviroScreen score due to unreliable socioeconomic or health data as DACs
- This is the same DAC classification established by the CalEPA

2. Fringe Communities

- Communities that do not meet the established DAC, SDAC, and EDA definitions
- But can show that they score in top 25% of the Pollution Burden or Population Characteristics score (using CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Data)

https://oehha.ca.gov/media/downloads/calenviroscreen/report/ces3report.pdf

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CalEPA, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) CalEnviroScreen 3.0

- Established by SB 535
- Developed a tool that assesses environmental, health, and socioeconomic indicators to produce a score for each census tract in the State
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- The CalEnviroScreen 3.0 mapping tool and score sheet can be utilized to assess if a census tract is a DAC

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Indicators

Pollution Burden	Population Characteristics
Exposures Ozone, PM2.5, Diesel PM Pesticide Use, Traffic Drinking Water Contaminants, Toxic Releases from Facilities	**Sensitive Populations** Asthma Cardiovascular Disease Low Birth-Weight Infants
Environmental Effects Solid Waste Sites and Facilities, Cleanup Sites Groundwater Threats, Impaired Water Bodies Hazardous Waste Generators and Facilities	**Socioeconomic Factors** Poverty, Unemployment Educational Attainment, Linguistic Isolation Housing Burdened Low Income Households

CalEnviroScreen indicators fall into four broad groups:

Exposures	*Contact with pollution*
Environmental Effects	*Adverse environmental conditions caused by pollution*
Sensitive Populations	*Populations with biological traits that may magnify the effects of pollution exposures*
Socioeconomic Factors	*Community characteristics that result in increased vulnerability to pollution*

CalEnviroScreen Formula

Pollution Burden: Average of Exposures and Environmental Effects*

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Population Characteristics: Average of Sensitive Populations and Socioeconomic Factors

=

CalEnviroScreen Score

Geographic Scale

Census tracts from the US Census Bureau (2010 census) are used to represent the locations of communities across California. The average size of a census tract is around **4,000 people** and represents a relatively fine scale of analysis.

https://oehha.ca.gov/media/downloads/calenviroscreen/fact-sheet/ces30factsheetfinal.pdf

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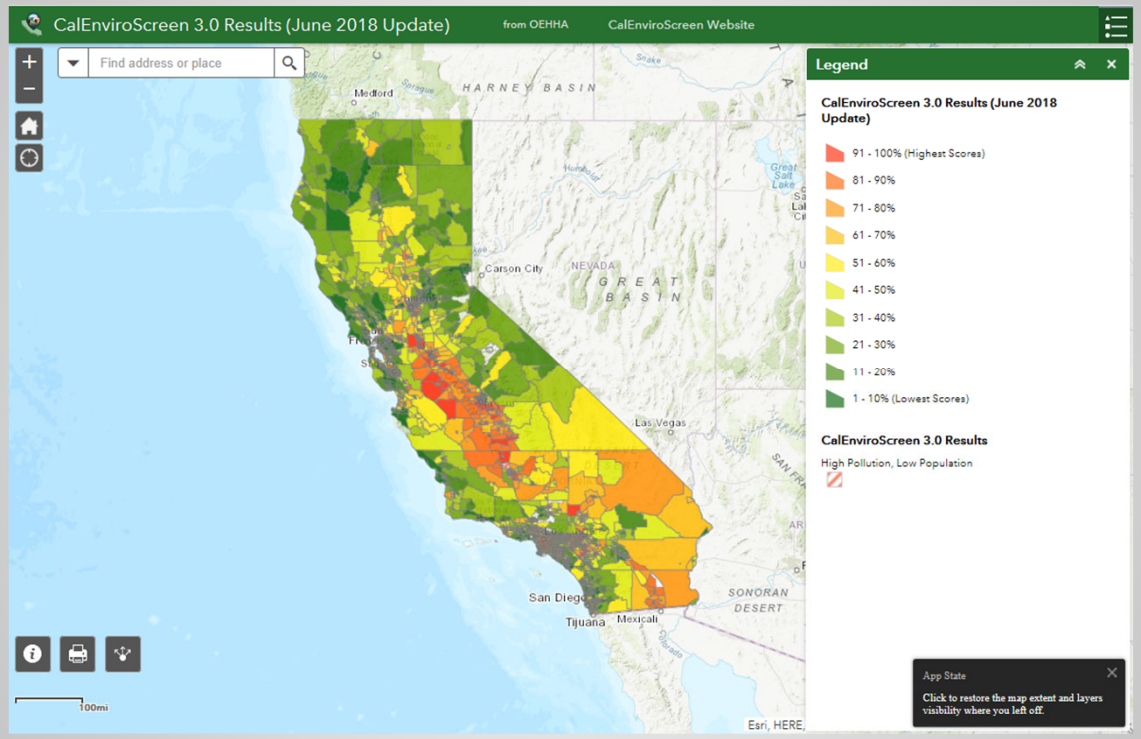
1. CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Mapping Tool



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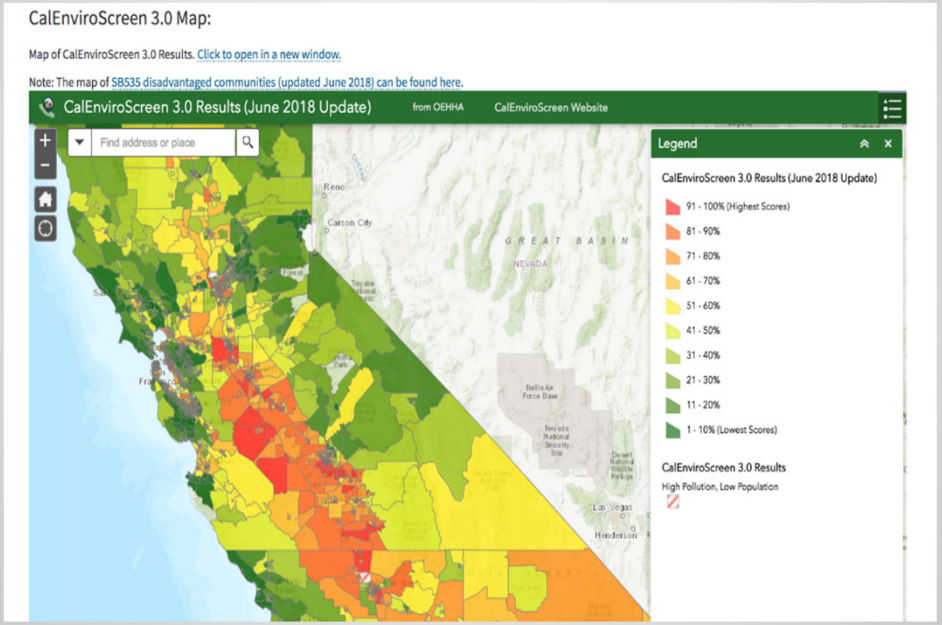

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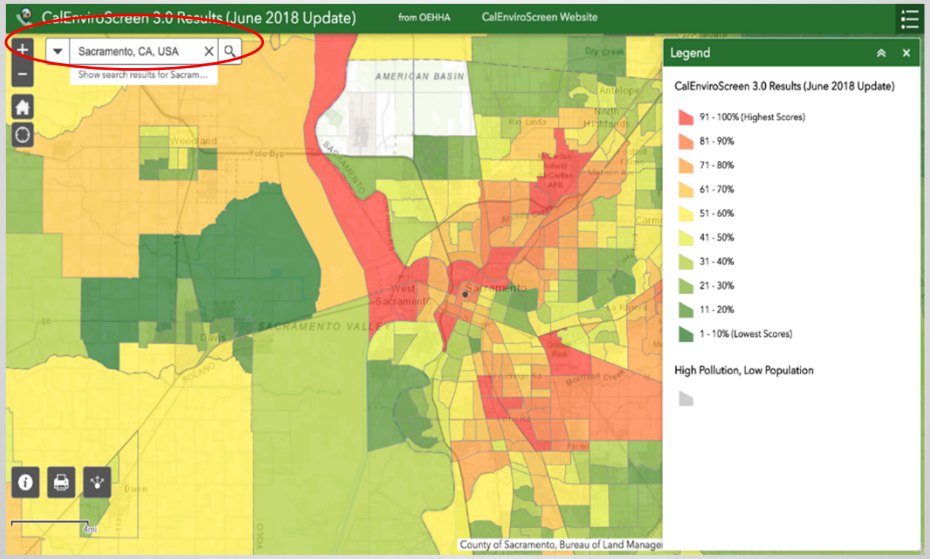
2. As an example to identify data at the census tract scale in Sacramento: Type Sacramento, CA, in the search bar on the top left corner of the screen. The mapping tool will zoom into the specific location.



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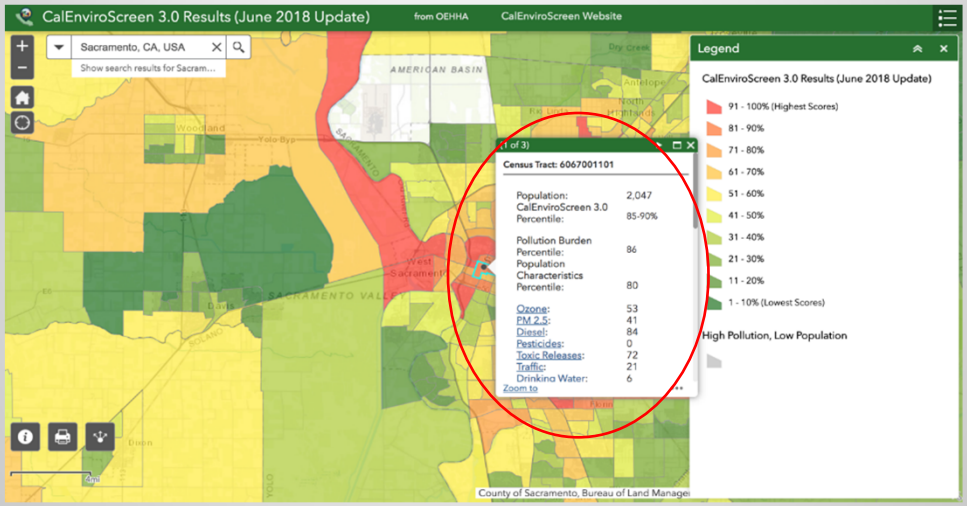
3. Click anywhere inside the boundaries or on the centroid of the census tract. For Sacramento, CA, it indicates that the census tract is within the 85-90% CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Percentile. This location is an EnvDAC.



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2. CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Results Spreadsheet

Census Tr	Total Populatio	California Cour	ZIP	City	Longitude	Latitude	CES 3.0 Sc	CES 3.0 Percentil	CES 3.0 Percentile Range	Ozone	Ozone Pc	PM2.5	PM2.5 Pc	Diesel PM	Diesel PM Pctl	Drinking Water
6037535400	3495	Los Angeles	90002	Los Angeles	-118.2314205	33.947117	74.46	99.66	95-100% (highest scores)	0.044	40.49	12.05	81.66	25.040	76.48	777.35
6019000700	3921	Fresno	93706	Fresno	-119.8277069	36.7345353	74.16	99.65	95-100% (highest scores)	0.062	91.10	15.4	97.22	19.621	60.39	681.20
6065030300	4497	Riverside	92501	Riverside	-117.3763853	33.9798271	74.06	99.63	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	12.89	92.89	29.001	83.22	960.39
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6037243100	5350	Los Angeles	90059	Los Angeles	-118.2350934	33.9327963	73.54	99.61	95-100% (highest scores)	0.044	40.49	12.05	81.66	25.040	76.48	664.07
6037543305	2666	Los Angeles	90220	Compton	-118.2238692	33.8611473	73.54	99.60	95-100% (highest scores)	0.042	31.84	11.63	69.14	31.198	86.80	383.10
6071005701	2216	San Bernardino	92401	San Bernardino	-117.2926063	34.1006404	73.28	99.58	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	12.05	81.66	38.370	92.10	571.38
6037204600	4101	Los Angeles	90023	Los Angeles	-118.2158297	34.0366414	73.13	99.57	95-100% (highest scores)	0.046	53.02	12.89	92.89	54.194	96.49	664.07
6037227010	4662	Los Angeles	90011	Los Angeles	-118.2469968	34.0185256	72.68	99.56	95-100% (highest scores)	0.046	53.02	12.89	92.89	42.594	94.51	664.07
6099002301	7841	Stanislaus	95351	Modesto	-121.0188436	37.6049206	72.39	99.55	95-100% (highest scores)	0.053	73.93	12.89	92.89	17.546	53.38	1131.90
6019000100	2860	Fresno	93721	Fresno	-119.7927732	36.7369244	71.95	99.53	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	15.4	97.22	57.192	97.01	681.20
6077001900	5592	San Joaquin	95205	Stockton	-121.2605554	37.9516762	71.89	99.52	95-100% (highest scores)	0.046	53.02	13.61	94.20	20.703	63.76	592.21
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6071012500	4268	San Bernardino	92324	Colton	-117.3233041	34.0602092	70.61	99.36	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	12.47	83.99	29.033	83.45	671.64
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6019002502	5431	Fresno	93702	Fresno	-119.7634654	36.7540827	70.56	99.32	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	15.4	97.22	43.346	94.67	681.20
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6019001304	5796	Fresno	93702	Fresno	-119.7455349	36.7250147	70.21	99.29	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	15.4	97.22	24.310	74.10	681.20
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6029002200	6537	Kern	93307	Bakersfield	-118.9879161	35.3613217	69.89	99.24	95-100% (highest scores)	0.065	98.18	19.6	100.00	25.570	77.44	593.77
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SB535 list (2018 update) | SB535 All Data (2018 update) | Data Dictionary

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CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Results Spreadsheet

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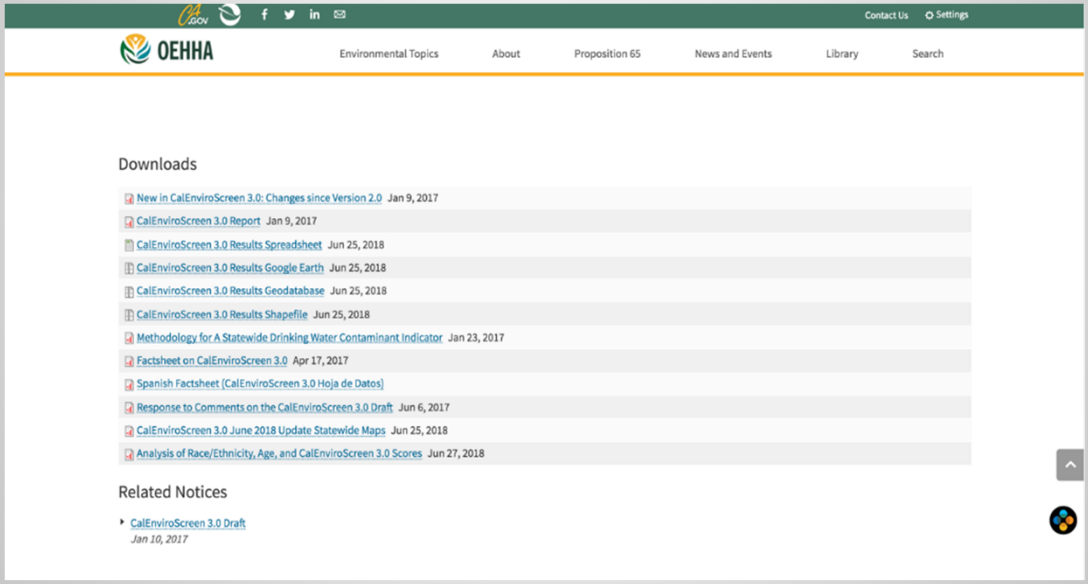

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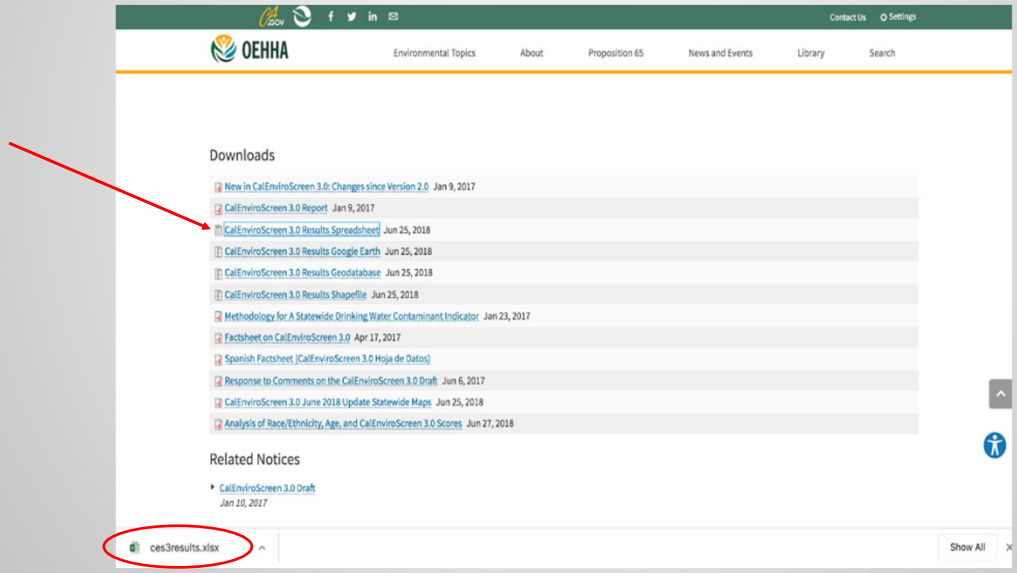
2. Click the third option that is labelled as "**CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Results Spreadsheet**" from June 25, 2018. An Excel sheet named "ces3results.xlsx" should automatically download.



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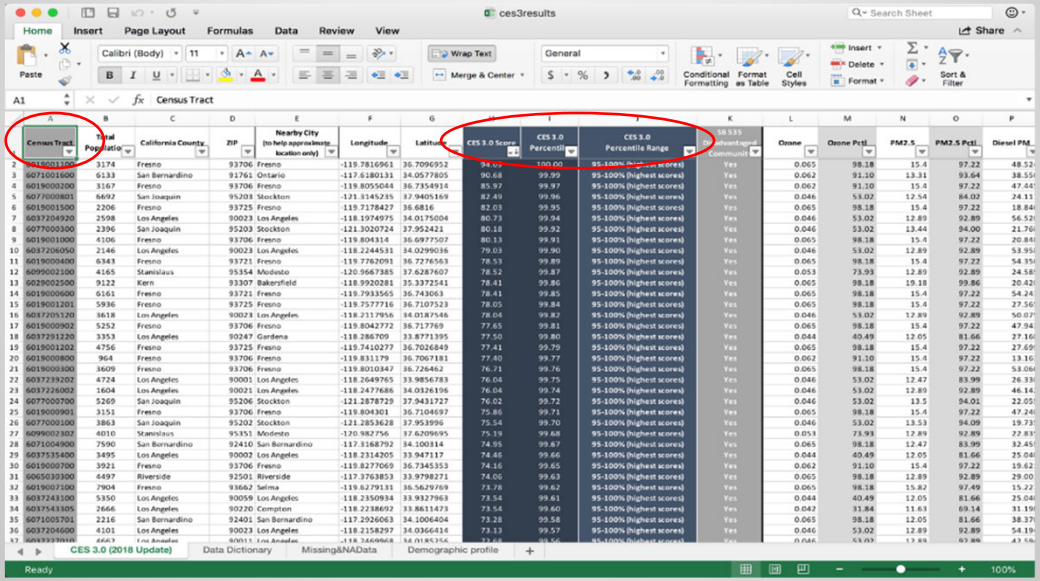
3. Click the downloaded “ces3results.xlsx” file. An Excel sheet should open that includes “Census Tract” as its first column header and the “CES 3.0 Score,” “CES 3.0 Percentile,” and “CES 3.0 Percentile Range” columns in dark blue.



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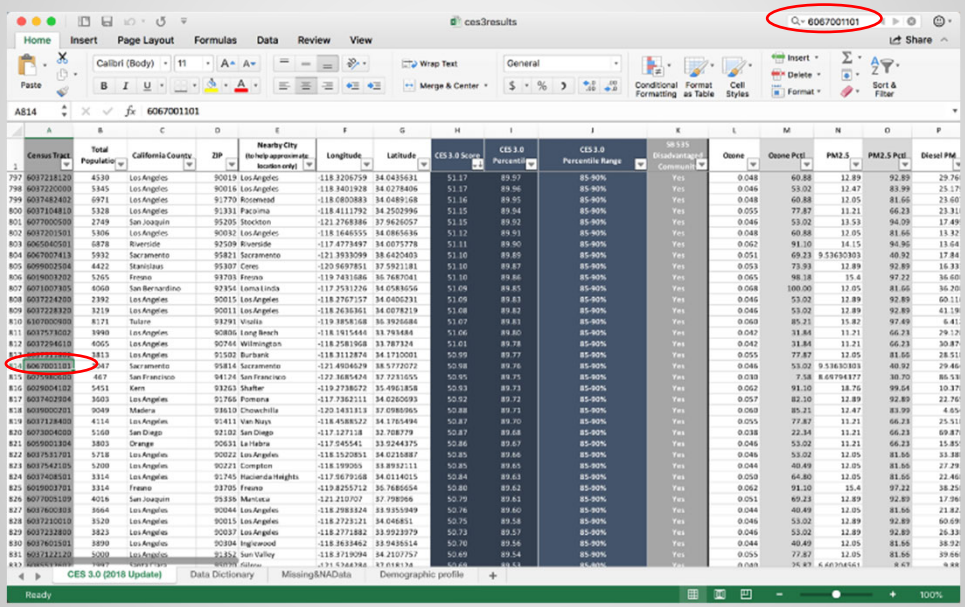
4. As an example to identify data at the census tract scale in Sacramento: Find the census tract number “6067001101” in the “Census Tract” column. The Excel sheet will find the specific row that the census tract number is in.



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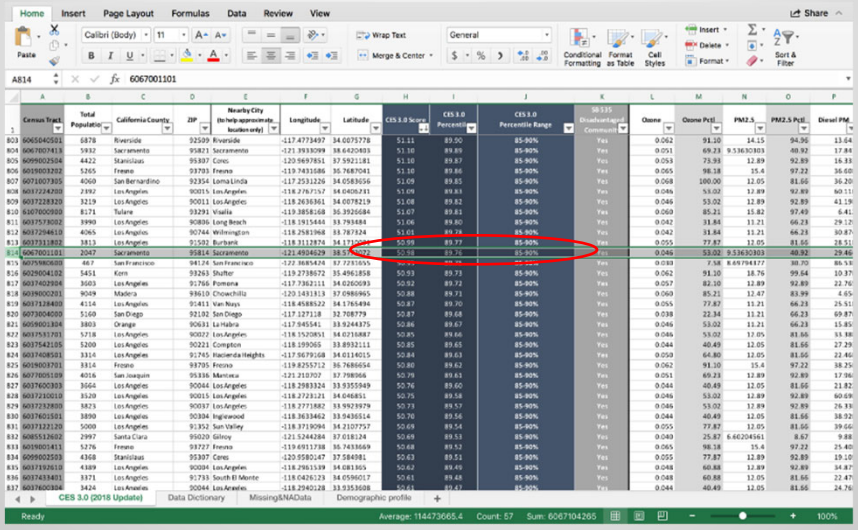
5. Within the row that the census tract is in, if the CES 3.0 Score scores in the top 25%, then the census tract is considered an EnvDAC. Column K “SB 585 Disadvantaged Community” will reflect this. In the census tract 6067001101, all three of the CES 3.0 Score, Percentile, and Percentile Range are all above the minimum requirements for an EnvDAC, so this census tract is considered an EnvDAC.



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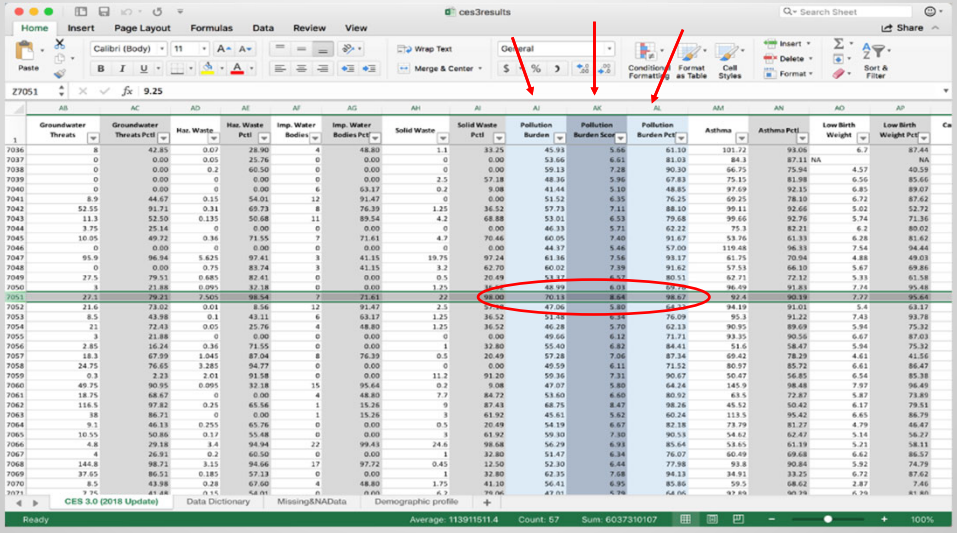
6. To check the Pollution Burden scores, scroll to the right until the first set of three light blue columns labeled “Pollution Burden,” Pollution Burden Score,” and “Pollution Burden Percentile.” If the census tract scores in the highest 5% of Pollution Burden scores but does not have an overall CalEnviroScreen score due to unreliable socioeconomic or health data as DACs, then it is also considered an EnvDAC.



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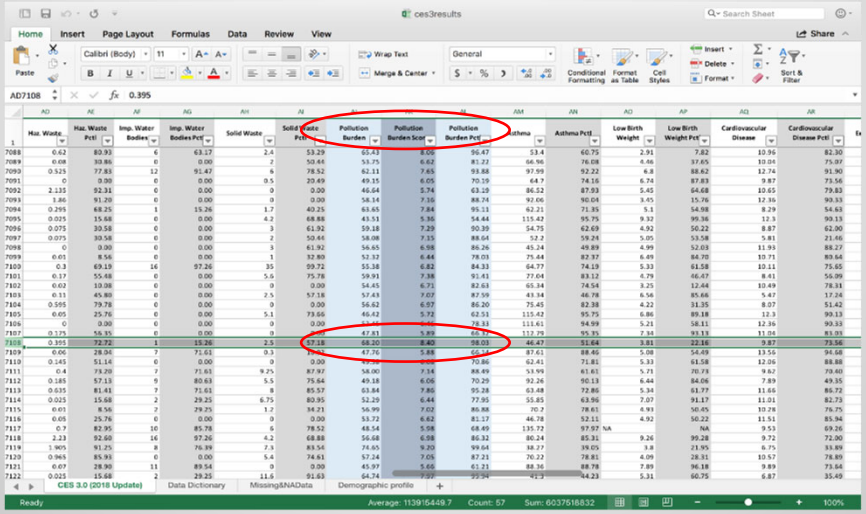
Spreadsheet – for Fringe Communities

1. Find the census tract number of your project in the “Census Tract” column. Within the row that the census tract is in, first check the Pollution Burden data by scrolling to the right until the first set of three light blue columns labeled “Pollution Burden,” Pollution Burden Score,” and “Pollution Burden Percentile.” If the census tract scores in the highest 25% of Pollution Burden scores, it is also considered a Fringe Community.



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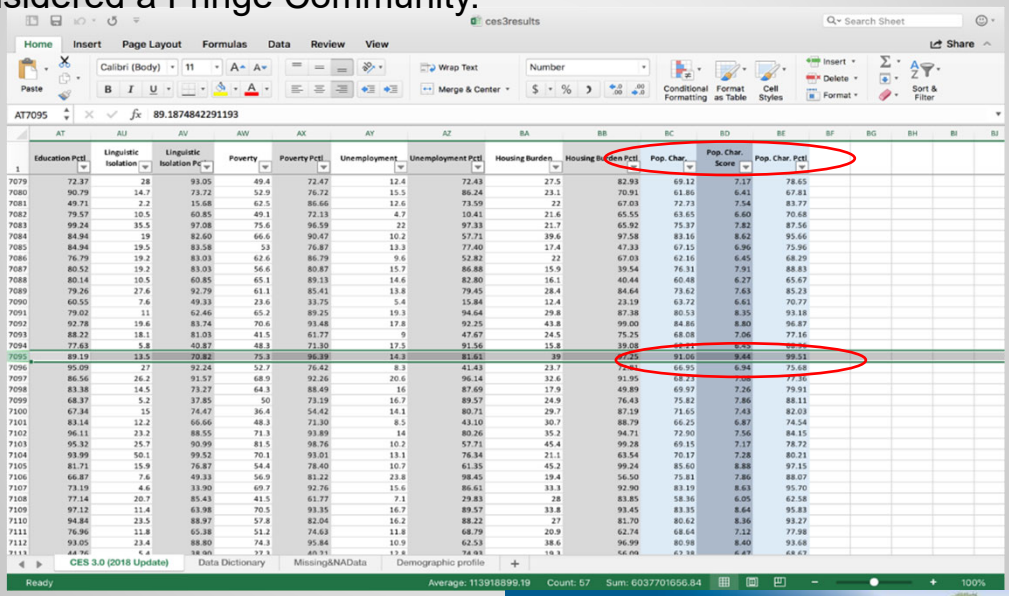
Spreadsheet – for Fringe Communities

2. Within that same row that the census tract is in, next check the Population Characteristics data by scrolling to the very right to the second set of three light blue columns labeled “Pop. Char.,” “Pop. Char. Score,” and “Pop. Char. Pctl.” If the census tract scores in the highest 25% of Population Characteristics scores, it is also considered a Fringe Community.



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PSP: Review

Screen for eligibility and completeness → Assigned for review and scoring → Develop and post Draft Funding List → Post Final Award List

Component	Component Total Score	Component Average Score	Final Proposal Score
1	54	165 points / 3 components = 55	**55**
2	55		
3	56		
Total Score =	55		

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How Will Awardees Be Notified?

- Emailing Award Notification Letter to awardees
- Final list posted on website and List Serve email sent
- Grantees have approximately six months to obtain an executed grant agreement after the grant award notification letter is sent by DWR.

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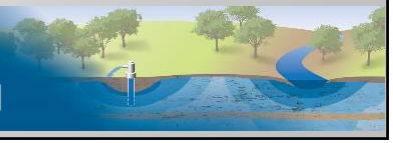

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Tips to Apply

1. Have one writing voice.
2. Write the application as if a non-technical person, with zero groundwater experience, will be reviewing. Assume that the reviewers will have zero knowledge of your basin/regional area.
3. Spend more time on the areas that have the highest point value, but do not neglect the others. An awarded application versus non-awarded could be the difference of 1 point.
4. Finish application 2-3 weeks before due date. Have multiple people review and provide feedback. Non-technical and technical should complete a mock review.
5. DO NOT copy from Word into GRanTS!!!!!!! Save as a Note Pad and copy from there or type directly into GRanTS.
6. Put the Scope of Work tasks and deliverables next to Budget and Schedule, do they match?
7. Do not use dollars and tens of dollars in Budget. It's an estimate. Round up/down accordingly! DO NOT USE CENTS!!! If awarded, we will be revising the budget and rounding to nearest hundred.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Ineligible Projects/Components	• Meters • Fee framework • Pumping allocation • Monitoring Network
Human Right to Water	• Developed for communities with dried or contaminated wells or without access to water. • Every person within CA has the right to potable drinking water and water for sanitation services
Multiple Components	• How interrelated to one another is needed?

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Frequently Asked Questions

Quantifying Benefits	• Recharge near or within a SDAC/DAC • What if benefits fall outside SDAC/DAC?
Letters of Support	• Who provides the letters? • Could a nonprofit submit letters of support?
Design Plans and Specification	• Can an application be for construction costs only? • Can we include costs for design plans and specifications?

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Frequently Asked Questions

GSA(s) Needs/Wants	• GSA is not ready to apply for capital improvement funds. • GSA is not wanting to complete capital improvement projects themselves
Project Location and Access	• Can projects be located on private land? • What is needed to have a project located on private land?

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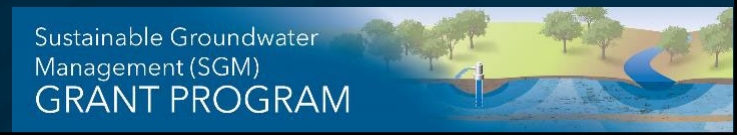

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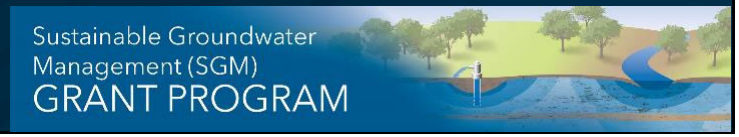

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