

# **Technical Resources Program Support from the** Safe, Clean Water Program

Start

July

**Spring** 

Summer

July

If your agency or organization has identified a project that increases local water supply, improves water quality, and invests in communities, you may be eligible for Safe, Clean Water Program support. There are three programs that offer support to project proponents. The Infrastructure Program (IP) offers funding for design, construction, and/or operations and maintenance efforts; a completed Feasibility Study is required to apply for IP funding. The Scientific Study (SS) Program offers funding for scientific and technical activities related to stormwater and urban runoff capture and pollution reduction.

The Technical Resources Program (TRP) provides support to community groups, municipalities, and individuals who need assistance developing project concepts and applications. The TRP provides dedicated Watershed Coordinators for each LA County Watershed, Technical Assistance Teams comprised of subject matter experts, and funding and support for the development of Feasibility Studies. The timeline below provides details about how you can apply for TRP support and what to expect during the process.

### What does being selected for **Technical Resources Program** support mean?

- A District Technical Assistance Team (TAT) is assembled, led by an assigned subject matter expert, to develop a Feasibility Study in partnership with and on behalf of the project proponent.
- Completed Feasibility Studies will include the nineteen required components of an Infrastructure Program application.

The Technical Resources Program does NOT:

- Award money to project proponents to conduct their own Feasibility Study or to hire a consultant to conduct a Feasibility Study on their behalf.
- Guarantee project eligibility for Infrastructure Program funding. Some projects may be deemed infeasible or impractical.

#### What is a Fund Transfer Agreement?

The Fund Transfer Agreement is only needed when a project is approved for IP funding. The Fund Transfer Agreement establishes program requirements, obligations, and general terms and conditions between the project proponent and the District in order to disburse Safe, Clean Water Program funds.

## **Anticipated\* Timeline for Your Proposal**

Timeline subject to change, see safecleanwaterla.org for current information

Project proponent engages with Watershed Coordinator to learn about SCWP implementation and projects in their Watershed Area. Non-municipal applicants who apply for TRP funding must provide a Letter of Non-Objection from the Municipality where the concept is proposed.

Project proponent submits project concept to the TRP of the relevant Watershed Area Steering Committee (WASC). Applications are due July 31 of each calendar year.

Watershed Area Steering Committee (WASC) recommends project concepts for inclusion in the Stormwater Investment Plan (SIP) to receive support from District TATs.

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) approves the SIP and funds the TRP project concept's Feasibility Study development. Following, District and TATs work with project proponent (on proponent's own time) to begin developing a complete Feasibility Study.

Feasibility Study rolls over into the following year(s), depending on the project

> If feasible, project proponent uses the completed Feasibility Study to apply to the IP to seek funding for the project's design, construction, and/or operations and maintenance.

IP applications are considered for funding. See figure on back to understand the roles the WASCs, Scoring Committee, Regional Oversight Committee, and the Board play in these funding

Following Board approval of the SIP identifying the IP project, District and project proponent initiate execution of the Fund Transfer Agreement



The Safe, Clean Water Program provides local, dedicated funding to increase our local water supply, improve water quality, and invest in communities.

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## **Application Process and the Role of the Feasibility Study**

