



INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM PROJECT FUNDING ASSESSMENT

To:	Upper San Gabriel River Watershed Area Steering Committee	From:	Safe, Clean Water Program Regional Coordination Team
Project:	Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project	Date:	December 1, 2025
Project Lead:	City of Irwindale	Call for Projects Year:	FY26-27 (Round 7)
Application Type:	Design Only	Location:	Intersection of Arrow Hwy and Azusa Canyon Rd, Irwindale, CA 91706
Watershed Area:	Upper San Gabriel River		

Reference: Funding Assessment for Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project

Leveraged funding is a key program goal in the Safe, Clean Water Program Implementation Ordinance (Chapter 18.04). This and other Funding Assessments are generated for all eligible newly submitted Safe, Clean Water Program Infrastructure Program projects in FY26-27 (Round 7). The intent of this Funding Assessment is to strengthen the identification of leverage funding sources and support WASCs in funding priorities and partial funding decisions. Below is a summary of the project benefits, overview of the funding request, potential sources of leverage funding for this project, and an assessment of funding competitiveness in those programs.

PROJECT SUMMARY

The [Project Application](#) describes the proposed project in this way:

The Project location was chosen for its proximity to the BI 0615 storm drain, providing an opportunity for effective stormwater capture and to improve the poorly landscaped section of Arrow Highway. Developed to capture and treat the 85th percentile, 24-hour storm event diverted from the storm drain, the Project also includes surface improvements that enhance community benefits. It aligns with the Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and delivers regional benefits by improving water quality and treating runoff before it reaches the San Gabriel River. Although just outside designated disadvantaged communities, the project benefits nearby [disadvantaged communities] by improving walkability and safety along Arrow Highway to Santa Fe Dam, reducing flooding, filtering stormwater, and adding shaded green spaces to enhance the pedestrian environment.

PROJECT BENEFITS

The Project claims to provide the following benefits, as copied verbatim from the Project Application Metrics and Measures Section:

Key Metrics and Measures	
Improve Water Quality	
Zinc Load Reduction	95 lbs/yr



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Total Phosphorous Load Reduction	79 lbs/yr
Increase Drought Preparedness	
Average Annual Stormwater Captured	0 acre-ft/yr
Average Annual Stormwater Captured and Recharged	0 acre-ft/yr
Improve Public Health	
Net Area of Park Created, Enhanced, or Restored	0.298 acres
Net Change in Canopy at Maturity	0.209 acres
Net Area of Green Space Created	0.298 acres
Net Area of Green Space at Public or Private Schools or Co-located with a Youth-Based Education Program Created	0 acres
Net New Area Cooling and Shading Surfaces	0.209 acres
Net Change in Hardscape	0 acres
Leveraged Funding & Invest in Research & Development	
Leveraged Funds	\$105,000
Additional Benefits	
Does the Project provide benefits to disadvantaged communities?	Yes
Is the Project within a disadvantaged community boundary?	No
Promote Green Jobs & Career Pathways	57.82 Annual FTE Jobs Created

Additional information on Project benefits can be found in the Project Application.

OVERVIEW OF FUNDING NEED FOR PROJECT

The Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project is currently requesting \$1,724,000 of Safe, Clean Water Program funding for FY26-27 (Round 7) for Design. The Applicant disclosed this Project is anticipated to seek SCW Regional Program Funds in FY28-29 for \$11,343,000 for construction costs in the future, that are not included in this submission. The Project's estimated capital cost is \$13,279,000 (Planning, Design, and Construction).

The Project has not previously received Safe, Clean Water Program Regional Program funding.

As disclosed in the Project application, the Project Proponent has leveraged a total of \$105,000 from City of Irwindale Municipal Funds for Design. The money has been received for these funds.



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	FY26-27 Year 1 – Current Ask	FY27-28 Year 2 – Projected	FY28-29 Year 3 – Projected	FY29-30 Year 4 – Projected	FY30-31 Year 5 – Projected	Future Funds	TOTAL REQUEST
Request	\$1,724,000	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$1,724,000
Phase	Design						

Status and schedule of project:

- **Date of completion of Project planning:** 07/2025
- **Anticipated date of completion of Project design:** 03/2028
- **Anticipated date of completion of Project construction:** 03/2030

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The following funding/grant program opportunities align with the Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project. Funding/grant program opportunities are categorized into topic areas based on the claimed project benefits in the Safe, Clean Water Program project application. Each funding/grant program listed includes an assessment of the project’s funding competitiveness in its description.

Funding competitiveness assessments will fall under three levels:

- **Strong:** The Project has a strong potential to be competitive for program funding. The Project provides numerous benefits and aligns strongly with the funding program’s goals and priorities.
- **Moderate:** The Project has a moderate potential to be competitive for program funding. The Project features some benefits that align with the funding program’s focus.
- **Low:** The Project has a low potential to be competitive for program funding. The Project features a benefit that aligns with the funding program’s focus but does not directly align with funding priorities.

WATER RESOURCES

[San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy’s \(RMC\) Consolidated Grant Program](#) awards grants and interagency agreements with the aim toward creating open space, habitat restoration, expanding green space in disadvantaged communities, and protecting the watersheds of the San Gabriel and Los Angeles Rivers, Dominguez Channel, and Catalina Island. Projects must be consistent with RMC’s enabling legislation (Public Resources Code, Division 22.8), Common Ground, its Environmental Justice and Tribal Consultation Policies, and existing and adopted river and flood control projects/plans. Projects should create, expand, and/or improve public open space throughout the region by improving access, habitat quality, water security, and wildfire resilience, as well as promote stewardship of the landscape via stakeholder involvement and long-term maintenance that will encourage environmental, social, and economic benefits. Acquisition, planning, and implementation projects are funded. The Consolidated Grant Program is funded from various sources, such as Proposition 1 and 68,



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in addition to non-bond priorities grant programs, including the Wildfire Prevention Grant Program, Climate Resilience Grant Program, and Lower Los Angeles-Urban Streams and Rivers Program. Applicants do not need to specify the specific funding source for their project. Eligible applicants include State and Federal agencies, Tribal entities recognized by the US Federal Register or as a California Native American tribe, local public agencies (including water districts and school districts), local conservation corps, nonprofit organizations, and Joint Powers Authorities. The Grant Program has an ongoing, rolling application period. Applications will be submitted in two phases: a concept proposal and a full application. The concept proposal will first be reviewed by RMC staff before selecting which proposals will move forward to submit a full application.

The Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project has a **low potential** of securing funding from this grant program. The Project's water quality benefits align with local water resources priorities of the grant program. While the Project increases green space, it is not directly aligned with park space priorities.

GREEN SPACE

[Los Angeles County Regional Parks and Open Space District's \(RPOSD\) Community-Based Park Investment - Measure A Annual Allocations Grant Program](#) funds development, acquisition, planning, and design projects that promote community-based park investments. Project types can include but are not limited to: community and local parks (including pocket parks, playgrounds, and park equipment), community recreational centers, park safety, green space and greenway development, gardens, urban canopy development, and planning and design related projects. This RPOSD grant program is part of Measure A Annual Allocations and is funded annually by 13 percent of the Measure A expenditure plan. Allocations are calculated for each Study Area. Funds are replenished each fall with a rolling grant application period. There is no cost-share requirement. As of [November 1, 2025](#), the City of Irwindale has an available balance of \$281,583.51 from uncommitted funds carried over from previous fiscal years. Annual allocation funds are updated by September 15th of each year based on revenue.

The Arrow Highway Beautification and Stormwater Capture Project has a **moderate potential** of securing funding through this program. The Project aligns with green space and greenway development priorities. The City of Irwindale could consider leveraging its annual allocation dollars towards this project.

Funding programs change frequently. The above identified funding opportunities are initial recommendations, and further research should verify project-specific eligibility requirements, latest funding levels, and appropriate timelines. Use the links above to research these programs further. If you are unsure about your project eligibility or competitiveness, reaching out to program coordinators via contact emails or webinars is a good way to get your questions answered. The [California Grants Portal](#) and [California Financing Coordinating Committee Funding Fairs](#) can serve as resources to identify additional funding opportunities.

Questions can be asked of the [Watershed Coordinator and the Regional Coordination Team](#).