

Propositions 84/1E Project Guide

*Based on DWR's Draft IRWM Grant Program Guidelines
June 11, 2010*

Introduction

IRWM is a relatively new initiative in California aimed at developing long-term water supply reliability, improving water quality, and protecting natural resources. San Diego's IRWM program is an interdisciplinary effort by water retailers, wastewater agencies, stormwater and flood managers, watershed groups, the business community, tribes, agriculture, and non-profit stakeholders.

The completed 2007 San Diego IRWM Plan (available at www.sdirwmp.org) provides a mechanism for coordinating, refining, and integrating projects within a comprehensive, regional context. The region can update the IRWM Plan with new (or revised) water management projects at any time to ensure that we're ready for future funding applications as they arise.

Stakeholder involvement is an essential element of IRWM planning. To date, the IRWM program has made significant efforts to identify and engage key stakeholders. A Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) was established to assist in completion of the IRWM Plan and prioritization of projects. The RAC, which consists of 32 members with expertise in water supply, wastewater, recycled water, stormwater and urban runoff, natural resources, and environmental stewardship, has played a critical role in shaping key elements of the IRWM program.



Purpose of Guide

The purpose of this Project Guide is to provide local agencies, watershed groups, and community leaders with the information necessary to develop and submit integrated, multi-benefit water resource projects for the upcoming IRWM grant funding cycles.



Eligible projects must provide multiple water resource benefits for the San Diego region.

How to Submit Projects

The San Diego IRWM region is now accepting projects that contribute to our mission – *“the protection, management, and development of reliable and sustainable water resources.”* Stakeholders may submit water management projects using our online Project Database (link available at www.sdirwmp.org). After accessing the Project Database, please click on “Sign Up” to create a new log-in. Our interactive database allows local project sponsors to log-in and add, revise, and submit their project information, as well as view all other submitted projects. **Projects submitted by Monday August 2, 2010 will be considered for the initial Propositions 84 and 1E grant cycles.** Projects may be submitted after the deadline for consideration in future rounds.

Eligible projects must contribute to our IRWM Plan objectives and provide multiple water resource benefits. Section C of the IRWM Plan (available at www.sdirwmp.org) outlines San Diego's regional objectives, which include supply reliability, water quality improvement, and protection of natural resources. Section F of the IRWM Plan (see Table F-1) contains a description of the project scoring process that will be used to rank the submitted projects prior to grant application(s).

All projects submitted in 2007 for the IRWM Plan are listed in the online Project Database. After logging in, on the "All Submitted Projects" tab, please "Search by: Year (4 digits) = 2007" to review the list of old projects. If you would like to edit and re-submit an old project, please contact Heather Parkison (hparkison@rmcwater.com or 858-875-7400) with the Project ID and Project Title – she will transfer the project to your log-in account.

Project Workshops

We will host two Project Workshops to discuss the Call for Projects, eligibility requirements, and project ranking criteria. We will also discuss project integration strategies for those interested in partnering.

Monday June 14, 2010 at 6-8pm

City of Encinitas, City Hall

Poinsettia Room
505 S. Vulcan Avenue
Encinitas, CA 92024

Public Transit: <http://www.gonctd.com/>

(Encinitas City Hall is a 5 min walk from the Encinitas Coaster and Breeze (bus) transit station.)

Tuesday June 15, 2010 at 6-8pm

City of Chula Vista, Public Works Center

1800 Maxwell Road
Chula Vista, CA 91911

Propositions 84/1E

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released draft guidelines for distribution of competitive grants under Proposition 84 (available at <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/index.cfm>). Proposition 84 authorized \$1 billion for the State's IRWM grant program. The San Diego region will receive approximately \$71 million over the next few years. The first round of grants, expected this summer, will offer \$8 million for our priority projects. Round 2 may occur in 2011, with Round 3 to follow in 2013.

Complimentary grant funds will also be provided by Proposition 1E for storm water management and flood control projects. Proposition 1E authorized \$300 million for the State's IRWM grant program. Individual Proposition 1E grant applications must be consistent with the local IRWM Plan.

Integration

The IRWM program requires an integrated, collaborative, multi-benefit approach to selection and design of water resources projects and programs. Integration can be defined as "combining water management strategies to address the Region's complex water management issues, optimize attainment of IRWM Plan objectives, and yield synergistic benefits." Integration also considers all upstream, downstream, and instream users – the full hydrologic impact area of a proposed project. Further, integrated projects consider other planning processes underway in the Region, including land use, transportation, and conservation efforts.

Section E of the IRWM Plan (available at www.sdirwmp.org) identifies both primary and secondary integration among the water management strategies. The IRWM Plan summarizes how water management strategies may be integrated to achieve multiple Plan objectives. For example, agricultural and urban water use efficiency help to optimize water supply (through demand reduction) when linked with water supply

strategies. Agricultural and urban water use efficiency also help to optimize water quality protection (through runoff reduction) when combined with pollution control strategies.

Partnerships

In addition to integration of water management strategies, the IRWM program promotes collaboration and partnership among various public and non-profit agencies in water resources management. Fostering regional partnerships can help to improve water supply reliability, water quality, and habitat restoration, while reducing local water conflicts and dependence on imported water. **Appendix A** contains a list of water supply, wastewater, flood control, storm water, and environmental organizations within each watershed for use in developing project partnerships.

IRWM Project Scoring

Section F of the IRWM Plan (available at www.sdirwmp.org) establishes a prioritization process to determine which projects best meet Regional needs. The prioritization process results in a list of Tier 1 projects that meet short-term priorities. The grant application package(s) are then determined through further review and vetting of the Tier 1 project list.

The prioritization process is intended to be a transparent and defensible method that encourages the development and submittal of projects that are best suited to meeting the identified needs of the Region. Project scoring was developed to rate projects on their ability to do the following:

- contribute to regional goals and objectives;
- integrate multiple water management strategies;
- provide multiple benefits
- benefit the entire region;
- synergize with other projects;
- benefit disadvantaged communities;
- address environmental justice needs;
- build upon other local and regional planning efforts; and
- foster partnerships among entities.

Eligibility Requirements

The following eligibility requirements are anticipated based on the draft IRWM Grant Program Guidelines:

- ◆ **Eligible Grant Recipients** – Eligible grant recipients are public agencies, non-profit organizations, and tribal governments that are IRWM stakeholders.
- ◆ **Consistency With Adopted IRWM Plan** – Any implementation project must be consistent with the adopted 2007 IRWM Plan. To be consistent with the IRWM Plan, implementation projects must be added to the IRWM project list through our online project database (link available at www.sdirwmp.org).
- ◆ **Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) Compliance** – *Urban water suppliers* subject to the Urban Water Management Planning Act (CWC §10610 et seq.) must have a submitted and completed UWMP to be eligible for IRWM grant funding.
- ◆ **AB 1420 Compliance** – Water management grants to *urban water suppliers* are conditioned on implementation of the Best Management Practices (BMPs) in the California Urban Water Conservation Council MOU (available at <http://www.cuwcc.org/mou-main-page.aspx>) and submittal of necessary documentation to DWR’s Water Use and Efficiency Branch.

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- ◆ **Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP) Compliance** – For groundwater management and recharge projects, the grant recipient or partners must demonstrate that they have prepared and implemented a GWMP or other basin-wide management plan that meets the requirements of CWC §10753.7; that the project includes development of a GWMP that meets the requirements of CWC §10753.7 which will be completed within 1-year of the grant application submittal; or that they conform to the requirements of an adjudication of water rights in the subject groundwater basin.

Contract Requirements

The following contract requirements are anticipated based on the draft IRWM Grant Program Guidelines and local experience during Proposition 50 grant contracting:

- ◆ **Grant Reimbursement** – The Propositions 84/1E grant funding is a reimbursement of project costs already spent by the grant recipient. Reimbursable costs may include engineering, design, land and easement, legal fees, environmental documentation, mitigation, and administration. O&M costs are not eligible for reimbursement.

Only work performed **after** execution of the grant agreement will be eligible for reimbursement. Costs incurred after the date of grant award, but before grant agreement is executed, may be considered as a part of the funding match.

Funding Match – Funding match includes all project funds made available by the grant recipient from non-state sources, including federal funds, local funds, and/or in-kind services. All State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans are considered to be State funds. In-kind services are those performed by the grant recipient and documented by an hourly billing rate. DWR may require that each grant recipient’s funding match be spent prior to any grant reimbursement.

The funding match for Proposition 84 is anticipated to be 25% of total project costs. For projects that address a critical water supply or water quality need for a disadvantaged community, the funding match may be waived.

The funding match required for Proposition 1E is anticipated to be 50% of total project costs. The Proposition 1E funding match cannot be waived or reduced.

- ◆ **10% Retention** – For each project, DWR will withhold a minimum 10 percent of the funds requested for grant reimbursement until the project is completed and the grant recipient has met all reporting requirements.
- ◆ **CEQA Compliance** – All activities funded under the IRWM program must be in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code §21000 *et seq.*), either before or as part of the proposed work plan.
- ◆ **Labor Compliance Program** – Any grant recipient financing a public works project with IRWM grant funds must adopt and enforce a Labor Compliance Program pursuant to California Labor Code §1771.5(b).

Contacts

If you have any questions about the upcoming Propositions 84/1E grant cycles or the San Diego IRWM project submittal process, please contact Mark Stadler (MStadler@sdewa.org or 858-522-6735) or Rosalyn Stewart (rstewart@rmcwater.com or 858-875-7420).

Appendix A

Agencies and Organizations Involved in Water Management in the San Diego IRWM Region

Agency	Authority or Interest					Watershed(s)	Level of IRWM Participation		
	Water ¹	Wastewater ²	Land Use/Planning ³	Stormwater/Flood ⁴	Environ/Resources ⁵		RAC or Workgroup	Stakeholder List	Contacted ²⁰
Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation					I	Carlsbad			E
Alpine Sanitation District		C				San Diego, Sweetwater			E
Back Country Land Trust					I	San Diego, Sweetwater			E
Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation					I	Carlsbad			E
Bonsall Conservancy					I	San Luis Rey			E
Buena Vista Lagoon Foundation					I	Carlsbad			E
California Coastal Conservancy					I	All			O
California Department of Fish and Game					P	All			O
California Department of Water Resources	W					All		O	O
Carlsbad Municipal Water District	R(w)					Carlsbad			E
City of Carlsbad		M(6)	D	P(7)		Carlsbad			O
City of Chula Vista		M	D	P(7)		Sweetwater, Otay	O	O	O
City of Coronado		M	D	P(7)		Otay			O
City of Del Mar	R(w)	M	D	P(7)		San Dieguito, Peñasquitos			O
City of El Cajon		M	D	P(7)		San Diego, Sweetwater			O
City of Encinitas			D	P(7)		Carlsbad	O	O	O
City of Escondido	R(w)	M	D	P(7)		San Luis Rey, Carlsbad, San Dieguito			O
City of Imperial Beach		M	D	P(7)		Otay, Tijuana			O
City of La Mesa		M	D	P(7)		San Diego, Pueblo, Sweetwater			O
City of Lemon Grove			D	P(7)		Pueblo, Sweetwater			O
City of National City (8)		M	D	P(7)		Pueblo, Sweetwater, Otay			O
City of Oceanside	R(w)	M	D	P(7)		Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey, Carlsbad		O	O
City of Poway	R(w)	M	D	P(7)		San Dieguito, Peñasquitos, San Diego			O
City of San Diego (9)	W/R(w)	M	D	P(7)		San Dieguito, Peñasquitos, San Diego, Pueblo, Sweetwater, Otay, Tijuana	O	O	O
City of San Marcos			D	P(7)		Carlsbad		O	O
City of Santee			D	P(7)		San Diego			O
City of Solana Beach			D	P(7)		Carlsbad, San Dieguito			O
City of Vista		M	D	P(7)		San Luis Rey, Carlsbad		O	O
Cottonwood Creek Conservancy				P(7)	I	Carlsbad			E
County of San Diego		C	D	P(7)	P	All	O	O	O
Cuyamaca Water District	R					San Diego			E
Descanso Community Services District	R	M				Sweetwater			E
East Otay Mesa Sewer MD		M				Otay, Tijuana			E
Encina Wastewater Authority (10)		M(6)				Carlsbad			E
Escondido Creek Conservancy					I	Carlsbad		O	O
Fairbanks Ranch Community Services District		M(6)				San Dieguito			E

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Fallbrook Land Conservancy					I	Santa Margarita			O
Fallbrook Public Utility District	R(w)	M(6)				San Juan, Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey	O	O	O
Farm Bureau of San Diego County	I					All	O	O	O
Greater San Diego County Resource Conservation District (11)	I		I		I	All			O
Groundwork San Diego-Chollas Creek					I	Pueblo			O
Helix Water District (12)	R(w)					San Diego, Pueblo, Sweetwater	O	O	O
International Boundary and Water Commission	I	I	I	I	I	Tijuana			E
Iron Mountain Conservancy					I	San Diego, Peñasquitos			O
Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation					I	Pueblo		O	O
Julian Community Services District	R	M				San Dieguito, San Diego			E
Julian Sanitation District		C				San Diego			E
Kumeyaay Land Consortium			T			All			E
Kumeyaay Water Consortium	T					All			E
Lakeside River Park Conservancy					I	San Diego			O
Lakeside Water District	R(w)					San Diego			O
Lakeside Sanitation District		C				San Diego			E
Leucadia Wastewater District		M(6)				Carlsbad			E
Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Foundation					I	Peñasquitos			E
Majestic Pines Community Services District	R					San Diego			E
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (13)	W					All		O	O
Mission Resource Conservation District (11)	I		I		I	Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey	O	O	O
Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation			I		I	San Diego			O
Mootamai Municipal Water District	R					San Luis Rey			E
Morro Hills Community Services District		M				San Luis Rey			E
Olivenhain Municipal Water District (14)	W/R (w)					Carlsbad, San Dieguito	O	O	O
Otay Water District (15)	W/R (w)	M				San Diego, Sweetwater, Otay, Tijuana			E
Padre Dam Municipal Water District (15, 16)	W/R (w)	M(6)				San Diego, Sweetwater	O	O	O
Pauma Valley Community Services District	R	M				San Luis Rey			E
Pine Hills Mutual Water Company	R					San Diego			E
Pine Valley Mutual Water Company	R					Tijuana			E
Pine Valley Sanitation District		C				Tijuana			E
Preserve Calavera					I	Carlsbad			E
Questhaven Municipal Water District	R					Carlsbad			E
Rainbow Municipal Water District (15)	W/R (w)	M				Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey		O	O

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Ramona Municipal Water District	R	M				San Dieguito, San Diego			o
Rancho Pauma Mutual Water Company	R					San Luis Rey			E
Rancho Santa Fe Community Services District		M				Carlsbad, San Dieguito			E
Rincon Del Diablo Municipal Water District (15)	R(w)					Carlsbad, San Dieguito			o
Rincon Ranch Community Services District		M				San Luis Rey			E
SANDAG			I			All	o	o	o
San Diego CoastKeeper					I	All	o	o	o
San Diego County Flood Control District (17)				P		All			o
San Diego County Water Authority	W					All	o	o	o
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority				P(7)		All			o
San Diego Unified Port District			D	P(7)		Pueblo, Sweetwater, Otay		o	o
San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce			I			All	o	o	o
San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board	I	P(18)		P	P	All	o	o	o
San Diego River Conservancy					I	San Diego			o
San Diego River Park Foundation					I	San Diego	o	o	o
San Diego Zoological Society			I	I	I	San Dieguito, Pueblo		o	o
San Dieguito River Valley Land Conservancy					I	San Dieguito	o	o	o
San Dieguito Water District (19)	R(w)					Carlsbad			E
San Elijo Joint Powers Authority		M(6)				Carlsbad, San Dieguito	o	o	o
San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy					I	Carlsbad	o	o	o
San Luis Rey Watershed Council					I	San Luis Rey		o	o
Santa Fe Irrigation District	R(w)					Carlsbad, San Dieguito	o	o	o
South Bay Irrigation District (8)						Sweetwater, Otay			E
Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project					I	All	o	o	o
Spring Valley Sanitation District		C				San Diego, Sweetwater			E
Sweetwater Authority	R(w)					Sweetwater, Otay	o	o	o
The Nature Conservancy					I	All	o	o	o
Tribes: Barona Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Diego River			E
Tribes: Campo Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Tijuana	o	o	o
Tribes: Capitan Grande Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Diego River			E
Tribes: Cuyapaipe Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Tijuana			E
Tribes: Inaja and Cosmit Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Diego River			E
Tribes: Jamul Indian Village	T	T	T	T	T	Otay			E
Tribes: La Jolla Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey	o	o	o
Tribes: La Posta Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Tijuana			E
Tribes: Los Coyotes Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey			E
Tribes: Manzanita Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Tijuana			E

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Tribes: Mesa Grande Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Dieguito		o	o
Tribes: Pala Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey		o	o
Tribes: Pauma and Yuima Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey, Santa Margarita		o	o
Tribes: Rincon Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey			E
Tribes: San Pasqual Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey, Carlsbad			E
Tribes: Santa Ysabel Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	San Luis Rey, San Dieguito			E
Tribes: Sycuan Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Sweetwater		o	o
Tribes: Viejas Reservation	T	T	T	T	T	Sweetwater		o	o
Trust for Public Land					I	All			o
Universities (UCSD, SDSU, etc)			D	P		All	o	o	o
Upper San Luis Rey Resource Conservation District (12)	R		I		I	San Luis Rey			E
U.S. Bureau of Land Management			D			All			E
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation	W	I		P		All	o	o	o
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service					P	All			o
U.S. Forest Service, Cleveland National Forest			D			San Juan, Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey, San Dieguito, San Diego, Sweetwater, Tijuana			o
U.S. Marine Corps Camp Pendleton	R(w)	M	D	I		San Juan, Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey			o
Vallecitos County Water District	W/R(w)	M(6)				San Luis Rey, Carlsbad			o
Valley Center Municipal Water District (15)	W/R(w)	C				San Luis Rey, Carlsbad, San Dieguito			E
Valley Center Parks & Rec		M				San Luis Rey			E
Vista Irrigation District	R(w)					San Luis Rey, Carlsbad			o
Whispering Palms Community Services District		M				San Dieguito			E
Wildcoast / Costasalvaje					I	Otay, Tijuana		o	o
Winter Gardens Sewer MD		M				San Diego			E
Wynola Water District	R					San Dieguito			E
Yuima Municipal Water District	R(w)					San Luis Rey			E

1. Water agency or districts with statutory authority over the delivery and/or treatment of water supplies. Wholesale water purveyors are denoted with "W" and Retail water purveyors with "R". Members of the Water Authority are further denoted with an (w). Other entities with a vested interest in local water supplies are denoted with "I". Tribes with sovereign authority over water supplies are denoted with "T".

2. Wastewater service providers are differentiated between County Sanitation Districts formed under Sections 4700-4859 of the Health and Safety Code and municipal sewer providers or community services districts, which were formed through agency reorganizations, agreements, and/or City incorporations. County Sanitation Districts are denoted by "C" and municipal sewer providers or community service districts are denoted by "M". Other entities with a vested interest in local wastewater collection, treatment, or disposal are denoted by "I". Tribes with sovereign authority over wastewater are denoted with "T".

3. Jurisdictions with discretionary authority over local land use decisions are denoted with a "D". All other agencies with an interest in local land use decisions are denoted by "I". Tribes with sovereign authority over land use are denoted with "T".

4. Agencies with permitting authority related to stormwater runoff and/or flooding are denoted with "P". Other entities with

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<p>an interest in stormwater and/or flooding are denoted with "I". Tribes with sovereign authority over stormwater and flood control are denoted with "T".</p> <p>5. Agencies with permitting authority over environmental resources are denoted with "P". Other entities with an interest in local environmental resources are denoted with "I". Tribes with sovereign authority over environmental resources are denoted with "T".</p> <p>6. Wastewater service providers with recycled water facilities.</p> <p>7. Entities subject to Order No. 2001-01, NPDES No. CAS0108758, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Urban Runoff from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds of the County of San Diego, the Incorporated Cities of San Diego County, and the San Diego Unified Port District.</p> <p>8. City of National City and South Bay Irrigation District together form the Sweetwater Authority, which provides water supply to both service areas.</p> <p>9. The City of San Diego entered the municipal water supply business in 1901 when the City bought the water system from a private company. In addition to supplying more than 250,000 metered service connections within its own incorporated boundaries, the City of San Diego conveys and sells potable water to the City of Del Mar, the Santa Fe Irrigation District, San Dieguito Water District, and the California American Water Company, which, in turn, serves the Cities of Coronado and Imperial Beach and portions of south San Diego.</p> <p>10. Encina Wastewater Authority is owned by six public agencies in a unique arrangement called a Joint Powers Agreement. The six owners are: the City of Carlsbad, City of Vista, City of Encinitas, Vallecitos Water District, Buena Sanitation District, and the Leucadia Wastewater District.</p> <p>12. Under Division 9 of the California Public Resources Code, RCDs are permitted to function to a certain degree as enterprise districts because they are empowered to charge reasonable fees for services rendered to individuals.</p> <p>13. Formed under the Metropolitan Water District Act of 1927.</p> <p>13. District authorized by Water Code 20500 et seq.</p> <p>14. The Olivenhain MWD was incorporated in 1959 under the provisions of the California Municipal Water District Act of 1911 to provide potable water to its customers.</p> <p>15. District authorized under Water Code 71000 et seq.</p> <p>16. District is a contract agency with METRO.</p> <p>17. The San Diego County Water Authority was formed in 1944 by the California State Legislature, and operates under the County Water Authority Act as a water wholesaler to its 23 member agencies in the San Diego region.</p> <p>18. The Regional Board maintains regulatory permitting authority under the Clean Water Act and Porter Cologne Act for wastewater discharges to land and water.</p> <p>19. When the City of Encinitas incorporated in 1986, the SDWD became a subsidiary district, which is governed by the City Council sitting as the SDWD Board of Directors.</p> <p>20. Agencies and organizations who have been contacted via email invitation to participate in the IRWM program have been denoted with an "E". The San Diego IRWM program strives to be a collaborative process that involves all interested parties and individuals.</p>									