

San Luis Obispo County Region Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Regional Water Management Group (RWMG)

Date: September 3, 2025 Time: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: SLO City/County Library Community Room

995 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, CA

Via Zoom Teleconference:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87007693551?pwd=JygqCFmsfBla8OpXHkjpDawYQNzr6l.1

Meeting ID: 870 0769 3551; Passcode: 174143

Call-in information: 1 (669) 900 6833

Note: Members must be physically present in order to count toward the quorum and cast votes.

Agenda:

- 1) Introduction & Welcome
- 2) General Program and Funding Updates
 - a) Prop. 4 Updates from DWR
- 3) Review Call for Projects Materials and Schedule
- 4) Public Comment and Member Updates
- 5) Adjournment

All Call for Projects files are available on the Prop 1, Round 2 (P1R2) website: https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/departments/public-works/committees-programs/integrated-regional-water-management-(irwm)/p1r2-call-for-projects-(2025)

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TO: IRWM Regional Water Management Group

FROM: Brendan Clark, Supervising Water Resources Engineer

DATE: September 3, 2025

SUBJECT: Item #2a: Prop. 4 Updates from DWR

Discussion

County Staff attended a workshop with DWR earlier this summer where the following information was shared. It's not much, but DWR is slowly building out their programs.

Presentation: <a href="https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/departments/public-works/forms-documents/committees-programs/integrated-regional-water-management-(irwm)/rwmg-agendas/2025/9-3-2025-rwmg-agenda-2-dwr-prop-4-presentation

Prop 4. Website: https://water.ca.gov/News/Public-Notices/2025/Jul-25/Prop-4-Grant-Funding-Update

2025 Call for Projects Proposition 1 (2014), Round 2, IRWM Implementation Grant Opportunity

Submit all requested information and documents by September 29, 2025 @ 5pm.

Background:

Over the course of 2022 and 2023, the Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) and County Staff successfully responded to the "Proposition 1, Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Program Round 2 Implementation Grant" (P1R2). This resulted in a Grant Agreement being completed between the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) on May 6, 2023. The projects included in that agreement are listed below in Table 1. Following this, on July 8, 2025, the Board of Supervisors directed staff to initiate a process to replace Central Coast Blue with a project or suite of projects¹.

Table 1: P1R2 Awarded Projects

Project Sponsor	Project Name	Total Project Cost	Grant Award
District	Grant Admin	\$132,374	\$132,374
City of Morro Bay	Indirect Potable Reuse - Injection Wells	\$6,730,000	\$1,200,000
Oceano CSD	Waterline Replacement	\$775,000	\$600,000
City of Pismo Beach	Central Coast Blue - Phase 1 Wells	\$8,363,000	\$1,000,000
District	Master Water Report and Information System	\$1,712,870	\$549,755
San Miguel CSD	Main Water Improvement	\$310,000	\$300,000
	Total	\$18,023,244	\$3,782,129

Grant Project Solicitation Summary

The RWMG and County staff are initiating this call for projects with an available funding amount of \$1,000,000, intending to be awarded to 1 to 2 projects. To effectuate this replacement, materials from the initial 2022 Call for Projects are being recycled, with a few key changes:

- Updated schedule & funding availability
- Revised scoring metrics and screening factors to reflect narrow reimbursable timeframe
- Eligibility for new projects and existing projects with increased benefits

Project sponsors are *highly encouraged* to visit http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/irwm and review the "2025 P1R2 Call for Projects" section for more information and links to the required documents.

¹ For information on this decision, please visit the Board of Supervisors website for more information: https://agenda.slocounty.ca.gov/iip/sanluisobispo/agendaitem/details/19149



Schedule of Local Solicitation

The proposed schedule for our local solicitation is as follows:

- 1. <u>September 5 29, 2025</u>. Call for projects is open (25 days).
- 2. October 1 3, 2025. Eligibility Screening by staff.
- 3. <u>October 10 (Tentative), Project Showcase @ RWMG Meeting, 10am.</u> Applicants will present projects to members and public stakeholders (more details below). Additionally, formation of an RWMG Working Group will be considered.
- 4. October 13 14, 2025. Initial project scoring by staff-level team.
- 5. <u>October TBD</u>. RWMG Working Group meeting to finalize scores and prepare a funding recommendation.
- 6. <u>November 5, 2025 @ RWMG Meeting, 10am 12pm</u>. Members to vote on the projects and funding recommendation by the Working Group for the DWR application.
- 7. November 5, 2025 @ WRAC Meeting, 1:30pm 3:30pm. Per our program MOU.
- 8. <u>December 9, 2025 (Tentative) @ Board of Supervisors</u>. Staff to seek BOS authorization to submit amendment request to DWR.

Note: this schedule may be altered. All meetings will be noticed per the Brown Act.

Requirements for Project Sponsors

Project sponsors must be willing to adopt the 2019 IRWM Plan prior to submitting the final proposal to DWR. Project sponsors must complete & submit the following to Brendan Clark by **5pm September 29**th:

- Project Information Form (PIF)
- Objectives and Climate Change Worksheet
- Project Map
- No more than two (2) presentation slides that include basic project details, need for the project and requested grant amount (PPT or PDF format).
- Forms are available at the <u>2025 P1R2 Call For Projects Website</u>².

Project Showcase at October 10th RWMG Meeting

Project sponsors must be prepared to give a brief (~2min) presentation on their project at the October 10th RWMG meeting during the "IRWM Project Showcase". This will be the opportunity for the entire RWMG to learn about the submitted projects.

Thank you for your interest and participation in IRWM in San Luis Obispo County!

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Scoring Metrics for the P1R2 Call for Projects

The "Screening Criteria" section is intended to filter projects that are not able or not likely to meet the narrow reimbursement schedule of this funding opportunity. For the source of "DWR Scoring" and "Prop 1 / Readiness Scoring", please see the Prop 1, Round 2 IRWM Implementation Grant Guidelines, Project Solicitation Package (PSP) and associated attachments. The "Other Factors" are derived from the 2019 IRWM Plan, Sections 1, 2, 4 and 6.

All files are available at: (click "2025 P1R2 Call for Projects" on the left pane) www.slocounty.ca.gov/irwm

Screening Criteria		Comment		
Construction completed by 12/31/2026		If "no", the project is ineligible.		
CEQA & NEPA?		Multiple "ne" responses may affect the project's		
Access and Permits?		Multiple "no" responses may affect the project's		
Funding Secured?		ability to be considered		

DWR Scoring	Points	Comment	
AB 1249 Contaminant(s)	1		
Leveraged funds	1		
Claimed Benefit logical and reasonable?	1	Par Project Caligitation Package, see pages 20, 21	
Does project benefit more than one region?	1	Per Project Solicitation Package, see pages 30-31 of Draft PSP	
AB 1249 & Small DAC?	1	of Draft PSP	
Employ new or innovative technology?	1		
Or, is project a decision support tool?	1		
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Prop 1 / Readiness Scoring		Comment	
Other funding secured (i.e. grants, loans, etc.)	1		
Multiple quantifiable benefits	1		
CEQA Complete? (pts awarded if N/A)	1	Dor DCD Attachment 7	
NEPA Complete? (pts awarded if N/A)		Per PSP Attachment 7	
Access Complete? (pts awarded if N/A)	1		
Permits Complete? (pts awarded if N/A)	1		
Tota	6		

Other Factors	Comments		
Highest Readiness Scoring	Prioritize projects farther along in Permits, CEQA, Funding, and access.		
Geographical Equity	Maximize areas of the County (North, South, Coastal, etc.) with grant funding		
Previous Awards	Take into account previous awards under the IRWM Program.		

Note: per DWR, because the City of Morro Bay, Oceano CSD, San Miguel CSD and the SLO County Flood Control and Water Conservation District have projects remaining in the Prop. 1, Round 2 Agreement, if these entities want to submit a project, or increased benefits for a funded project, these projects will be considered only if the general call for projects cannot meet the screening and eligibility requirements.

IRWM Grant Funding Source and Funded Projects	Grant	Status	Project Sponsor
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Prop 50 Planning Grant (2008) - DWR No. 460000450	\$500,000	Complete	
Data Enhancement, Flood Management,& Groundwater Banking Plans	\$312,500	Complete	Flood Control District
Flood Management Plan	\$55,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Groundwater Banking Plan	\$185,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Regional Permitting Plan	\$187,500	Complete	County of San Luis Obispo
Prop 84 Planning Grant (2012) - DWR No. 4600010061	\$1,000,000	Complete	
Update to Meet Stds, Regional Recycled Water Planning, Ident. of Basins	\$650,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Requiring SNMP, Santa Maria GW Basin Study, Paso Robles GW Model	\$050,000	Complete	11000 CONTROL DISTRICT
Identification of Basins Requiring SNMPs	\$15,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Santa Maria Groundwater Basin Study	\$200,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Paso Robles Groundwater Basin SNMP	\$100,000	Complete	City of Paso Robles
Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Model	\$50,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Regional Recycled Water Planning	\$200,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Watershed Management Planning	\$250,000	Complete	US-LTRCD & CSLRCD
Prop 1E Stormwater Flood Mgmt (2011) - DWR No. 4600009714*	\$2,797,000	Complete	
Flood Control Zone 1/1A – Modified 3a Project	\$2,797,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Prop 84 Implementation Grant (2011) - DWR No. 4600009717	\$10,401,000	Complete	
Los Osos Wastewater Project	\$5,945,444	Complete	County of San Luis Obispo
Flood Control Zone 1/1A – Modified 3c Project	\$2,200,000	Complete	Flood Control District
Nipomo Supplemental Water Project	\$2,200,000	Complete	Nipomo CSD
Grant Administration	\$55,556	Complete	Flood Control District
Prop 84 Expedited Drought Grant (2014) - DWR No. 4600010880	\$6,323,610	· ·	
CSA 23-AMWC-Garden Farms Emergency Intertie	\$1,404,290	-	County of San Luis Obispo
Emergency Turnout	\$255,226	'	Heritage Ranch CSD
Emergency Water Supply	\$4,382,255	•	Cambria CSD
Grant Administration	\$281,839	'	Flood Control District
Prop 84 Implementation Grant (2015) - DWR No. 4600011487	\$3,702,762		
Upper Salinas River Basin Conjunctive Use	\$2,956,796	-	Templeton CSD
Well Head Treatment	\$362,431	Complete	San Simeon CSD
Water Resources Reliability Program - Planning Study	\$198,397	Complete	Oceano CSD
Grant Administration	\$185,138	'	Flood Control District
Prop 1 Planning Grant (2016) - DWR No. 4600011892	\$204,183	·	11000 20111 01 2130110
IRWM Plan Update & Region-Wide Stormwater Resource Plan	\$204,183	-	FCWCD, USLTRCD & CSLRCD
Prop 1 Disadvantaged Community Involvement (2017)	\$877,563	·	Teves, osernes a esenes
Disadvantaged Community Needs Assessment		Complete	Flood Control District
Water Resource Reliability Program, Phase 2 Design & Permitting	\$177,750		Oceano CSD
Turnout Pump Station Design and Water Master Plan Update	\$177,750	·	City of Grover Beach
Water Resource Recovery Facility Project, Value Eng. at 60% Design	\$78,125	•	City of San Luis Obispo
Reservoir Expansion Project Design & Water Master Plan Update	\$177,750	·	San Simeon CSD
Wastewater Plant Upgrade Study and Recharge Basin Study	\$177,750	·	San Miguel CSD
Grant Administration	\$20,700	·	Flood Control District
Prop 1 Implementation Grant, Round 1 (2019) - DWR No. 4600013800		·	Flood Collition District
One Water SLO, MBR/UV Component	\$2,782,130	-	City of San Luis Obisno
	\$1,314,530	·	City of San Luis Obispo
8th Street Well Construction	\$238,100		Los Osos CSD
Supplemental Water Project, Final Phase	\$800,000	'	Nipomo CSD
Water Resource Reliability Program, Projects #1-1, #1-9	\$274,500	·	Oceano CSD
Grant Administration	\$155,000	·	Flood Control District
Prop 1 Implementation Grant, Round 2 (2023) - DWR No. 4600015399		In Progress	City of Manna Day
Water Reclamation Facility, Indirect Potable Reuse Component		In Progress	City of Morro Bay
Water Resource Reliability Program, Projects TBD		In Progress	Oceano CSD
Central Coast Blue, Phase 1		Awarded	City of Pismo Beach
	\$549,755	In Progress	Flood Control District
Master Water Report Update			
Master Water Report Update Water Reliability Projects Grant Administration		In Progress In Progress	San Miguel CSD Flood Control District

^{*} Prop 1E is included because an adopted IRWM Plan is required to maintain funding eligibility