



Abridged Application Period for Economically Distressed Areas Program Now Open

Abridged Applications due May 15

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) opened the abridged application period for the Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP). Abridged applications will be due by midnight CDT on Wednesday, May 15, 2024.

The EDAP provides financial assistance for projects serving economically distressed areas where water or sewer services do not exist or systems do not meet minimum state standards. Note: EDAP funds may only be used for residential purposes and may not be used for future growth components. Ineligible purposes include service to multi-family, schools, commercial, industrial, governmental, and non-profits.

To be eligible for EDAP financial assistance, entities must adopt and enforce [Model Subdivision Rules](#) for the regulation of subdivisions prior to submitting an abridged application. Projects must also be located in an economically distressed area that was established prior to June 1, 2005, and have a median household income not greater than 75 percent of the median state household income.

Additional requirements for applying for financial assistance, and further details regarding specific loan and grant eligibilities and the project prioritization system, are available in the [EDAP Intended Use Plan](#).

Abridged applications are due by midnight on May 15, 2024. These short applications provide information that the TWDB needs to complete prioritization of the projects and may be submitted by email to Financial_Assistance@twdb.texas.gov. Eligible projects that receive priority for financial assistance will be invited to submit a complete application, which will comprise a detailed financial, legal, engineering, and environmental review, including final eligibility review.

For more information on the EDAP program, including the [Abridged Application](#) and how to apply, please visit the [TWDB website](#).

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