



Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Emerging Contaminants (EC) Program

The DWSRF-EC program assists communities by providing principal forgiveness with the goal of reducing exposures to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and other emerging contaminants.

Eligible Applicants

- Publicly and privately owned community water systems—including political subdivisions.
- Nonprofit water supply corporations.
- Nonprofit, noncommunity public water systems.
- State agencies.

Eligible Projects

Planning, design, acquisition, and construction for treatment and/or removal of ECs, including

- new treatment facilities or upgrades to existing water treatment facilities;
- development of new sources that address EC issue;
- consolidation with another water system that does not have ECs or has removal capability;
- infrastructure for pilot testing treatment alternatives;
- creation of new community water systems to address unsafe drinking water from individual wells or surface water sources.

Ineligible Projects

- Projects with a primary purpose that does not address emerging contaminants.
- Projects with a primary purpose that addresses a contaminant regulated under EPA National Primary Drinking Water Regulations, except for PFAS.
- Operation and maintenance activities, including monitoring—unless monitoring is an integral part of the planning and design of a capital project.
- Routine or compliance water monitoring.
- Identifying sources of ECs.

Benefits and Terms

- 100 percent principal forgiveness for all projects.
- Maximum funding limits per project and maximum principal forgiveness limits may vary each funding cycle based on the total amount of funding available. (See the current DWSRF Intended Use Plan for these limits.)

Program Requirements

- Projects must be listed in the current DWSRF-EC Intended Use Plan.
- Meet Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA) wage rate requirements.
- Meet Build America Buy America (BABA) requirements.
- Perform a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)-type environmental review.
- Meet State Revolving Fund procurement requirements.
- Submit current financial audits for your entity with the financial assistance application.

For specific questions about the program, please contact DWSRF@twdb.texas.gov. Detailed information is also available at www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/EC.