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Diverse Water Supply Portfolio Supports CA's Water Needs

Transitioning from dependence on surface and groundwater will develop the State's diverse portfolio



Surface Water



Recycled Water



Gray Water



Groundwater



Storm Water



Desalination

Proposition 1 Desalination Grants

- Chapter 9, §79765 et seq.
- \$725 million for recycling & desalination
- \$100 million allocation for desalination
- 2 application solicitations planned over 4 years
- \$50 million in proposed FY 15-16 budget

Types of Projects Funded Under Prop 50

- Construction
- Pilot or demonstration
- Feasibility studies
- Environmental documentation
- Research

Proposition 50 Focus

- Brackish groundwater or ocean water sources
- Product water for potable purposes

Proposition 1 Requirements

- 50% local cost share (exceptions for disadvantaged and economically distressed areas)
- \$5 M cap per project
- Lower caps allowed
- Implemented consistently with Proposition 50

Types of Projects

- Contaminant & salt removal projects
 - Treatment, storage, conveyance, distribution
- Pilot projects for new salt & contaminant removal technology
- Technical & grant writing assistance for disadvantaged communities

Proposition 1 Eligible Applicants

- Government agencies
- CPUC regulated investor-owned utilities
- Tribes
- Mutual water companies
- Nonprofits
- Universities & colleges (incorporated as public institution or nonprofit)

Prop 1 Desalination Grants Anticipated Schedule

- Winter 2015 – Post Draft Guidelines and PSP, public comment period, and public meetings
- Spring 2016 – Post Final Guidelines and PSP, open application period
- Summer 2016 – Announce Grant Awards

DWR Technology Briefings

- Promote and develop a shared understanding of existing or emerging technologies, services, and products related to desalination.
- Wide Range of Development

Questions?

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