



Attachment 1. Authorization and Eligibility Requirements

Project Consistency with an Adopted IRWM Plan

Two of the projects in this proposal – the Amargosa Basin Water, Ecosystem Sustainability, and Disadvantaged Community Project (Implementing Agency: Amargosa Conservancy) and the Big Pine Tribal Fire Hydrant Replacement Project (Implementing Agency: Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley) are listed in the Inyo-Mono Phase II IRWM Plan, which was adopted by the Regional Water Management Group in October 2014. Both projects were modified slightly when being re-submitted for the 2015 Implementation call for projects and underwent the project evaluation, vetting, and ranking process (described below) that all projects submitted for this round underwent.

At about the time that the draft Prop. 84 Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package for the 2015 Implementation Grant round were released, the Inyo-Mono RWMG re-opened its project solicitation process. Prospective project proponents were asked to upload their potential projects onto a page on the Inyo-Mono IRWM Program website that feeds a project database. This database is then used to develop a list of projects to be reviewed, vetted, evaluated, and ranked for each round of Prop. 84 funding. At the same time, the RWMG developed a list of scoring criteria specific to this round of funding that would be used to score each of the projects. Only RWMG Members would be allowed to evaluate and score projects. Once Members had scored projects, scores would be averaged, and projects would ultimately be ranked. The scoring criteria are as follows:

Scoring criteria

- Will the project be complete by October 31, 2020? (4 points)
- Does the schedule indicate that the project can start by April 1, 2016? (4 points)
- How well does the project assist the region in meeting the Human Right to Water? (4 points)
(http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201120120AB685)
- Description of the project with major components and intended purpose? (10 points)
- How well does the project effectively address long-term drought preparedness? (6 points)
- How well does the project provide a direct water-related benefit to a DAC? (4 points)
- How reasonable is it that the work will be completed in the time allotted given the current status of the project? (4 points)
- Are the costs presented in the budget reasonable for the project type and the current state of the project? (8 points)

Total is 44 points.

This scoring and ranking process vetted nine projects, six of which are included in this proposal. In order of highest to lowest score as ranked by the RWMG, they are:

1. Bishop Paiute Tribe Domestic Water, Irrigation, and Wastewater Conservation Plans (Bishop Paiute Tribe)
2. June Lake Public Utility District Uranium Removal Plant (June Lake Public Utility District)
3. Amargosa Basin Water, Ecosystem Sustainability, and Disadvantaged Community Project (Amargosa Conservancy)
4. Big Pine Tribal Fire Hydrant Replacement Project (Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley)
5. Ridgecrest Cash-for-Grass Landscape Rebate Incentive Program (Indian Wells Valley Water District)
6. Recycled Water for Restoration and Community Projects in Big Pine, CA (Inyo County)

During the next round of updates to the Inyo-Mono IRWM Plan, these projects will be added to the Plan's project list. They are all consistent with the Plan's Objectives and Resource Management Strategies and help to meet the overall goals and priorities of the Inyo-Mono Regional Water Management Group.