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**DWR and State Water Board Announce Round Two
of Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program**

SACRAMENTO -- On August 1, 2007, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) received 28 applications for Proposition 50, Round 2 IRWM, Implementation Grants, Step 1 proposals. The 17 applications deemed complete and eligible were reviewed according to the scoring criteria contained in the Round 2 IRWM Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP).

Submittal of a Step 2 application is by invitation only. Based on the review conducted by DWR and State Water Board, the following proposals have been invited to submit a Step 2 IRWM grant application:

PIN	APPLICANT NAME	PROPOSAL TITLE
Northern California		
10796	Humboldt, County of	North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan, Integrated Coastal Watershed Management Plan Implementation
10789	Kings River Conservation District	Upper Kings Basin Water Forum
10800	Nevada Irrigation District	CABY Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
10777	Tomales Bay Watershed Council Foundation	Tomales Bay Integrated Watershed Management Plan: A Plan of Action-Projects, Actions, and Strategies
Southern California		
10803	Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association	Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Program
10775	Orange, County of	Central Orange County Integrated Regional and Coastal Watershed Management Plan Implementation Project
10768	San Diego County Water Authority	San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Implementation Grant Application
10758	Santa Barbara, County of	Santa Barbara Countywide IRWMP

The individual, detailed proposal evaluations can be found within the State Water Board's Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST) Public View of Applications web

site:

<https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/PublicProposalsSearch.asp>

On November 16, 2007, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., DWR and State Water Board staff will be available to discuss reviews with individual applicants. From 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., a public meeting will be held to present the Call Back list and accept public comments. The meeting will be held at:

Cal/EPA Building
Training Room 2 East & West (2nd Floor)
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Written public comments on the Call Back list will be accepted through November 19, 2007. Please send written comments to:

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STEP 2 APPLICATION AVAILABILITY AND APPLICANT WORKSHOPS

By November 15, 2007, the Proposition 50, Round 2, IRWM Implementation Grants, Step 2 application will be available on the State Water Board's FFAST website:

<https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/>

On December 5th and 6th, 2007, DWR and the State Water Board will hold two informational workshops for Step 2 applicants. The meetings are scheduled as follows:

December 5th – 10 a.m.
Paul Bonderson Building
Hearing Room
901 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

December 6th – 10 a.m.
California Towers
Victoria Room, Suite 205
3737 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92501

The purpose of the applicant workshops is to provide potential Step 2 applicants with detailed, specific assistance on how to prepare the Step 2 grant application.

Workshop attendance is not mandatory but it is strongly encouraged. Because applicants will be scheduled for individual technical assistance sessions, they should contact DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov to register for a workshop and schedule times for technical assistance.

STEP 2 APPLICATION DUE DATE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Prop 50, IRWM Round 2 Implementation Grant, Step 2 applications must be submitted to the State Water Board via FFAST by 5:00 p.m. on **January 15, 2008**. Applications submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the due date will not be reviewed or considered for funding.

Additional information on the IRWM Program is available at the following links:

<http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/irwm/integregio.cfm>

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/funding/irwmgp/index.html>

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