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## DWR Releases Proposal Solicitation Package for Proposition 1 Water Desalination Grants

**SACRAMENTO** – The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released the final Water Desalination Grant Program Round 4 Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP), which also includes the guidelines for the grant program. The grant program is funded by Proposition 1, the \$7.5 billion water bond overwhelmingly approved by California voters in 2014. Proposition 1 authorized the Legislature to appropriate funds for competitive grants for the desalination of brackish or seawater. The Legislature appropriated \$93.1 million for this program, which is available in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19. Applications are now being accepted through September 1, 2017.

The intent of the Water Desalination Grant Program is to produce a potable water supply for municipal water uses through treatment of a natural saline raw water source. The primary benefits are increased water supply and reliability of supply. Applications are being accepted for five project types: construction, design pilot projects, feasibility studies, environmental documentation, and research pilot projects. Entities that may apply for grants are public agencies including local and State government agencies, public utilities, mutual water companies, federally recognized Indian Tribes, State Indian Tribes on the Native American Heritage Commission’s consultation list, and non-profit organizations. Universities and colleges incorporated as public institutions or non-profit organizations may also apply. Additional details about the grant program are available on the program Round 4 [webpage](#).

DWR will host two public workshops in early August to explain the grant program rules and how to submit an application using the online submittal tool called GRanTS:

<p><b>Los Angeles, CA (Southern)</b> <a href="#">Map</a></p>	<p>Tuesday, August 1, 2017 10:00 am to no later than 1:00 pm</p>	<p>Meeting Room US1-102 Metropolitan Water District 700 N Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>
<p><b>Monterey, CA (Central Coast)</b> <a href="#">Map</a></p>	<p>Thursday, August 3, 2017 9:00 am to no later than 12:00 pm</p>	<p>Building G, Conference Room Monterey Peninsula Water Mgmt. District 5 Harris Ct., Bldg G, Monterey, CA 93940</p>

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