



City of Farmersville

Written Statement of Eligibility and Urban Water Management Compliance

Is the applicant a local agency, joint powers authority or non-profit organization?

The City of Farmersville is a local agency, a General Law City in the State of California which incorporated on October 5, 1960. The City limits encompass 2.2 square miles. The population of Farmersville was 10,720 in 2013. Farmersville is a disadvantaged community identified in the top 25% of the CalEnviroScreen 2.0. Most of the City's population is located in the top 5% of CalEnviroScreen 2.0. The City of Farmersville Department of Public works operates municipal water-related utilities which provide water delivery and sanitary sewer services to 2,556 connections.

What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?

The City of Farmersville incorporated after a formal vote in Tulare County in 1960. The Secretary of State of the State of California recognized Farmersville as a General Law City on October 5, 1960. The City assumed responsibility for services previously provided by the County of Tulare at that time.

Does the applicant have legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?

The City of Farmersville has the legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California. The City has successfully managed a number of large-scale grant funded projects with awards from California State Parks, California Resources Agency, Community Development Block Grants, and Safe Routes to Schools.

Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of the project and tracking of funds.

Not applicable. The City of Farmersville is submitting this application as a single public agency; the City will be the project representative. The City of Farmersville will utilize the services of its contract engineering firm Quad Knopf, Inc. for project management and oversight of the projects within the proposal. Due to its very limited staff size, the City has a long-standing contractual agreement with Quad Knopf, Inc. for engineering, planning and public utilities projects. As per direction from DWR staff, Laura Peters, this is an acceptable project management model provided that the City is the project representative.

Urban Water Management Compliance

List the urban water suppliers that will receive funds from the proposed grant.

The City of Farmersville is a small water system, and by definition, is not an Urban Water Supplier because its connections are fewer than 3,000 and it supplies less than 3,000 Acre Feet per year to its customers. Therefore, the City of Farmersville does not meet the statutory

definition of an urban water supplier, as stated in California Water Code Section 10617. *The City of Farmersville is exempt from implementing an Urban Water Management and subsequent AB1420 metering requirements that only apply to Urban Water Suppliers. The City is in compliance with California Water Code Section 525 which states that:*

“(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every water purveyor who sells, leases, rents, furnishes or delivers water service to any person shall require, as a condition of new water service on and after January 1, 1992, that a suitable water meter to measure the water service shall be installed on the water service facilities in accordance with this chapter. The cost of installation of the meter shall be paid by the user of the water, and any water purveyor may impose and collect charges for those costs.

(b) Subdivision (a) applies only to potable water.

(c) Subdivision (a) does not apply to a community water system which serves fewer than 15 service connections used by yearlong residents or regularly serves fewer than 25 yearlong residents or a single well that services the water supply of a single-family residential home.”

Ground Water Management Compliance

Not applicable. The project will not directly affect groundwater levels in a much larger groundwater basin. The City of Farmersville is located within the boundaries of the Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District (KDWCD) and the San Joaquin Valley-Kaweah Groundwater Basin. KDWCD has a compliant Ground Water Management Plan.

Agricultural Water Management Compliance

Not applicable. Farmersville is not an agricultural water supplier and no agricultural water suppliers will receive funding from the proposed grant.

Surface Water Diversion Compliance

Not applicable. Surface water will not be diverted as a result of this project.