



CALL FOR PROJECTS - Low-interest SRF Loans for Water & Wastewater/Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

The State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is calling for projects for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022. The SRF program offers low-interest, long-term financing to public water systems, public wastewater systems and local governments for drinking water infrastructure and surface-water quality improvement projects. The program provides loans through two funds, the Drinking Water SRF and Clean Water SRF. DHEC and the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) jointly administer the SRF Program.

Application Process

Eligible Project Sponsors interested in using SRF funding for a capital project in SFY 2022 are asked to submit a project questionnaire to the SRF Program by **March 26, 2021**. To download a project questionnaire and find out more about eligible projects and the technical requirements of the SRF loan program visit <http://www.scdhec.gov/srf>. Incoming questionnaires will be reviewed and projects scored for inclusion on the Comprehensive Priority List of Projects, from which potential loan recipients are chosen. Project questionnaires submitted to DHEC's SRF Program within the past two years will also be considered for funding.

SRF Webinar

Sponsors and consultants are invited to join in the upcoming **SRF Webinar** to be held on **January 28, 2021** from 10 – 11:30 am. Learn what technical and financial information is needed to apply for Clean Water and Drinking Water SRF Loans. Information on the project questionnaire, typical activities, priorities, loan interest rates, terms and other financial considerations will also be shared. To register for this free webinar, visit the RIA website, <https://ria.sc.gov/>, and scroll down to **News & Events**.

SRF Funding Priorities

Drinking Water SRF - funding priority is given to projects that will improve a system's ability to meet state drinking water standards. Typical projects include construction or rehabilitation of drinking water treatment and distribution systems.

Clean Water SRF - funding priority is given to projects that will improve a system's ability to meet state wastewater discharge standards and/or improve water quality, especially in a water body with a known water quality problem. Typical projects include the construction or rehabilitation of wastewater treatment and collection systems as well as stormwater management projects.

Loan Rates and Policies

RIA works with sponsors to determine creditworthiness for loan approval and sets loan rates. To view current loan rates and policies visit <https://ria.sc.gov/loans/>.

More Information and Contacts

Contact Lynne LaSalle at lasalli@dhec.sc.gov or 803-898-4395 or Chuck Gorman at gormancm@dhec.sc.gov or 803-898-3993 for more information. For loan or financial eligibility questions, contact Trish Comp at tcomp@ria.sc.gov or 803-737-3808.