

## Seeking Project Questionnaires for SFY26 Funding

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is accepting project questionnaires for planning, design, and construction of drinking water and wastewater infrastructure improvements. The SRF Program offers low interest loans with terms of up to 30 years. The process for obtaining a loan begins by submitting a project questionnaire. Questionnaires are accepted year-round using the ADEC Water Online Application System (OASys), and new submittals will be evaluated periodically throughout the year. If you have a project that you would like to propose for financing through the SRF Program, the submittal deadline for the first SFY26 questionnaire review is **February 28, 2025**.

### Traditional and BIL SRF Funding Available in SFY26

SRF funding in SFY26 will include a combination of traditional Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) funding, as well as new funding opportunities established through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). These new funding opportunities include:

- CWSRF and DWSRF BIL General Supplemental Funds
- CWSRF and DWSRF BIL Emerging Contaminant Funds
- DWSRF Lead Service Line Inventory and Replacement Funds

### Eligible Projects

Eligible projects include drinking water and wastewater infrastructure projects including distribution and collection system improvements, treatment system upgrades, water and energy efficiency improvements, and security enhancements. In addition, nonpoint source projects may be eligible including source water protection efforts, water body restoration, storm water improvements, landfill closure or expansion, and harbor or dock waste handling. Projects that address an emerging contaminant may also be eligible. If you have questions about project eligibility, contact the SRF Program.

### Emerging Contaminants Projects

For a project or activity to be eligible for funding under the BIL Emerging Contaminant grants, the project must be otherwise CWSRF/DWSRF eligible, and the primary purpose must be to address an emerging contaminant. The intent is that these funds focus on projects addressing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). However, drinking water projects for a contaminant on any of EPA's Contaminant Candidate Lists may be eligible. Emerging Contaminant loans are provided with 100% loan forgiveness.

### Project Priority Lists

Following the February 28 submittal deadline, all proposed project questionnaires will be scored based on established criteria which can be found on the SRF Program website at <https://dec.alaska.gov/water/technical-assistance/state-revolving-fund/>.

Eligible projects will be added to the Project Priority List. If you would like to see examples of projects that are currently on the list of projects eligible for financing through the SRF Program, please review the Project Priority Lists that are available on the SRF Program website at <https://dec.alaska.gov/water/technical-assistance/state-revolving-fund/intended-use-plans/>.

ADEC encourages borrowers to consider implementing green infrastructure, energy efficiency improvements, and other innovative activities by offering additional points during project scoring. In addition, projects that are ready to proceed to construction will be credited with extra points during the scoring process.

### **Submitting a Questionnaire**

A [step-by-step guide](#) is available on the SRF Program website to help you prepare and submit a questionnaire.

### **More questions?**

If you have questions about the eligibility of a project or the questionnaire submittal process, please contact Peggy Ulman, SRF Program Coordinator at 907-334-2681 or email [dec.srfprogram@alaska.gov](mailto:dec.srfprogram@alaska.gov).