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### Drinking Water Section

#### Circular Letter #2022-09

**TO:** Community and Non-Profit Non-Community Public Water Systems  
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**DATE:** February 3, 2022

**SUBJECT: DRINKING WATER PROJECTS FUNDING AVAILABLE** - Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) including Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Funding – **CALL FOR PROJECTS** for State Fiscal Year 2023 Financing

The Department of Public Health's (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) is announcing its call for eligible drinking water projects for potential funding through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) during State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023. The DWSRF will be receiving unprecedented levels of federal funding support for drinking water infrastructure projects during SFY 2023 through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The BIL will provide the DPH with 3 additional DWSRF grants annually for the next 5 years. A concise description of these grants is provided below:

1. **Supplemental Capitalization Grant:** These funds can be used for any drinking water infrastructure project that is currently eligible for DWSRF funding including planning, design and construction phases.
2. **Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Grant:** These funds can only be used for LSLR projects and the funding is available for both the utility-owned and privately-owned portion of these service lines (i.e. the entire service line from main to customer premise). It will be necessary to replace each LSLR in its entirety to be eligible to receive these funds.
3. **Emerging Contaminants Grant:** These funds can be used for the remediation of emerging contaminants which a focus on Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) and Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA).

The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently in the process of developing DWSRF guidance on the BIL funding. The DPH will share these guidance documents with stakeholders as they become available. A [BIL webpage](#) has also been developed on the DPH website to make this information publicly available and easily accessible. Additional information on the BIL was sent out earlier this month in [Circular Letter #2022-03](#).



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The Call for Projects notice is available on the [DWSRF website](#) with a deadline of **March 31, 2022** to submit Eligibility Applications for consideration for the SFY 2023 DWSRF and BIL Project Priority Lists (PPLs). The PPLs details the projects that DPH is expecting to commit the available DWSRF and BIL funds to during SFY 2023. If you have an eligible drinking water construction project that will be ready to proceed during the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 you are strongly encouraged to submit your application as early as possible.

If you have any questions wish to learn more about the DWSRF Program please visit our [DWSRF website](#) or contact our DWSRF Program at [dph.ctdwsrf@ct.gov](mailto:dph.ctdwsrf@ct.gov).

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