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Drinking Water Section

### EHDW Circular Letter #2023-05

TO: Community and Non-Profit Non-Community Public Water Systems  
Municipal Chief Elected Officials  
Local Directors of Health

FROM: Lori J. Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief *Lori J. Mathieu*  
Environmental Health & Drinking Water Branch

DATE: February 24, 2023

RE: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) - **CALL FOR PROJECTS** for State Fiscal Year 2024

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) 2024. The DWSRF will be receiving substantial levels of federal funding support for drinking water infrastructure projects during SFY 2024 through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The BIL will provide the DPH with 3 additional DWSRF grants annually through SFY 2027. A brief 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) has developed DWSRF guidance on the BIL funding. Please visit the [DWSRF BIL webpage](#) for more information.



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The Call for Projects notice is available on our [DWSRF website](#) with a deadline of **April 14, 2023** to submit Eligibility Applications for funding consideration for the SFY 2024 DWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP). The IUP details the projects that DPH is expecting to commit the available DWSRF funds during SFY 2024. Applications will be reviewed and assigned appropriate priority points according to the [DWSRF Draft Priority Ranking System](#) (PRS).

This Draft PRS is also in the February 16, 2023 Draft SFY 2023 IUP which is currently available for a 30-day public review and comment period. Comments on the Draft IUP or PRS may be submitted to [DPH.CTDWSRF@ct.gov](mailto:DPH.CTDWSRF@ct.gov) until noon on March 28, 2023. Please refer to the [DWSRF website](#) for more information.

If you have an eligible drinking water construction project that will be ready to proceed during the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 you are strongly encouraged to submit your application as early as possible but no later than April 14, 2023.

If you have any questions or wish to learn more about the DWSRF Program, please do not hesitate to contact Cameron Walden at [cameron.walden@ct.gov](mailto:cameron.walden@ct.gov) .

c: Lisa Morrissey, MPH, Deputy Commissioner