



# Texas Water Development Board

## NORTH HOUSTON ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST MEETING

### American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding



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# TWDB History

50 Years 1957-2007

- 💧 The Legislature created the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in 1957 in response to the drought of the 1950s to plan and to provide financing for the State's future water needs.

# TWDB Mission

## To Provide

- 💧 Leadership
- 💧 Planning
- 💧 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**
- 💧 Information and Education for the conservation and responsible development of water for Texas.

# Overview of the Agency Scope & Functions

The Texas Water Development Board:

- 💧 Supports the development of regional water plans and incorporates them into a statewide water plan.
- 💧 Provides financial assistance to local governments for:
  - water supply and water quality projects
  - flood control
  - agricultural water conservation
  - rural and small community water and wastewater projects.
  - the state's economically distressed areas

# Overview of the Agency Scope & Functions cont'd

- 💧 Conducts studies of the state's surface water and groundwater and develops models for major and minor aquifers.
- 💧 Collects data and conducts studies concerning the freshwater needs of the state's bays and estuaries.

# Overview of the Agency Scope & Functions Cont'd

- 💧 Facilitates the state's efforts to determine the feasibility and identify the requirements for implementing seawater desalination projects.
- 💧 Maintains a centralized data repository of information on the state's resources called the Texas Natural Resources Information System (TNRIS).
- 💧 Coordinates the National Flood Insurance Program.

# Overview of the Agency Scope & Functions

## Financial Assistance Programs

- 💧 The TWDB offers several state and federal loan and grant programs for planning, design, and construction of new water and wastewater infrastructure projects and for making improvements to existing water and wastewater facilities.
- 💧 Project Finance and Construction Assistance (PFCA) is responsible for administering TWDB financial assistance programs.

# Financial Assistance Programs for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

- Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)
- Development Fund (DFund)
- Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP)
- State Participation Program
- Rural Water Assistance Program (RWAF)
- Water Infrastructure Fund (WIF)

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

- 💧 November – December 2008, TWDB held six State Revolving Fund (SRF) Workshops around the state. TWDB began discussing preliminary information regarding potential funding during workshop presentations.
- 💧 On December 29, 2008, TWDB sent letters to over 3,700 stakeholders informing them of potential ARRA funds to be available through the SFR Intended Use Plan (IUP) process.

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

- 💧 On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).
- 💧 Texas will receive approximately \$340 million in ARRA funds through the **State Revolving Fund** programs.

# Funding for ARRA Projects

The Texas Water Development Board will administer these projects through the:

- 💧 **Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)** for wastewater projects.
- 💧 **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)** for water projects.



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## Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)

### Water Projects

- 💧 Approximately \$160.7 million available for projects in ARRA funds.
- 💧 SFY2010 Intended Use Plan (IUP) received 686 submittals from public entities totaling approximately \$4.9 billion.
- 💧 The preliminary SFY2010 Comprehensive Project Priority List (FY2010 submissions and FY2009 IUPs) includes 735 projects totaling \$5.1 billion.
- 💧 SFY2010 IUP will make additional basic annual SRF loan assistance available.

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## Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

### Wastewater Projects

- 💧 Approximately \$180.9 million available for projects in ARRA funds.
- 💧 SFY2010 Intended Use Plan (IUP) received 639 submittals from public entities totaling approximately \$4.9 billion.
- 💧 The preliminary SFY2010 Comprehensive Project Priority List (FY2010 submissions and FY2009 IUPs) includes 686 projects totaling \$5.6 billion.
- 💧 SFY2010 IUP will make additional basic annual SRF loan assistance available.

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding

The following are “preliminary numbers only” that represent potential Economic Recovery Projects for counties in the Houston metro area:

- 💧 DWSRF – Water Projects: **\$703.5 million**
- 💧 CWSRF – Wastewater Projects: **\$546.1 million**

Total Potential Projects: **\$1.25 billion**

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding (cont'd)

The following are “preliminary numbers only” that represent Potential Economic Recovery Projects by counties in the Houston metro area:

## **DWSRF – Water Projects:**

Harris County - \$365.7 million

Montgomery County - \$37.4 million

Brazoria County - \$65.9 million

Fort Bend County - \$63.7 million

Galveston County - \$170.8 million

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding (cont'd)

The following are “preliminary numbers only” that represent Potential Economic Recovery Projects by counties in the Houston metro area:

## **CWSRF – Wastewater Projects:**

Harris County - \$214.4 million

Montgomery County - \$39.8 million

Brazoria County - \$47.7 million

Fort Bend County - \$36 million

Galveston County - \$208.2 million

## General ARRA Information

- 💧 All FY2009 and FY2010 Intended Use Plan project submittals will be prioritized for ARRA. Emphasis will be on eligible projects that are ready to proceed to construction.
- 💧 All aspects of a project must be ready to begin construction **“SHOVEL READY”** within 12 months (by February 2010) in order to be eligible for ARRA.

# General ARRA Information cont'd

- 💧 All current SRF program requirements remain with the addition of:
  - 💧 Davis Bacon Wage Requirements
  - 💧 Made in America Requirements
- 💧 Funding is also available through the standard SFY2010 CWSRF and DWSRF programs which offer attractive financing terms.



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