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**DWR**

# California Financing Coordinating Committee October 2021 CFCC Virtual Funding Fair



Samuel Miller, DWR Liaison and CFCC Chair

# DWR Grant Funding Sources

- Proposition 84 - Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006
- Proposition 1 - The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014
- Proposition 68 – California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018.
- General Fund FY2021-22 – Budget enacted state fund, Drought Funding with Governor's budget



# Eligibility

- ***Local Public Agencies***

(CWC §10535)

- Cities
- Counties
- Special districts (Reclamation Districts, Flood Control Districts, etc.)
- Joint powers authorities
- Political subdivisions of the state
- Public utilities (Section 216 of Public Utilities Code)
- Mutual water companies (Section 2725 of PUC)

- ***Tribal Governments***

- ***Groundwater***

- Sustainability Agencies  
(GSAs)***

- ***Nonprofit organizations***

- ***Universities*** *(some programs)*

*Contact the programs to  
determine applicant  
eligibility requirements*



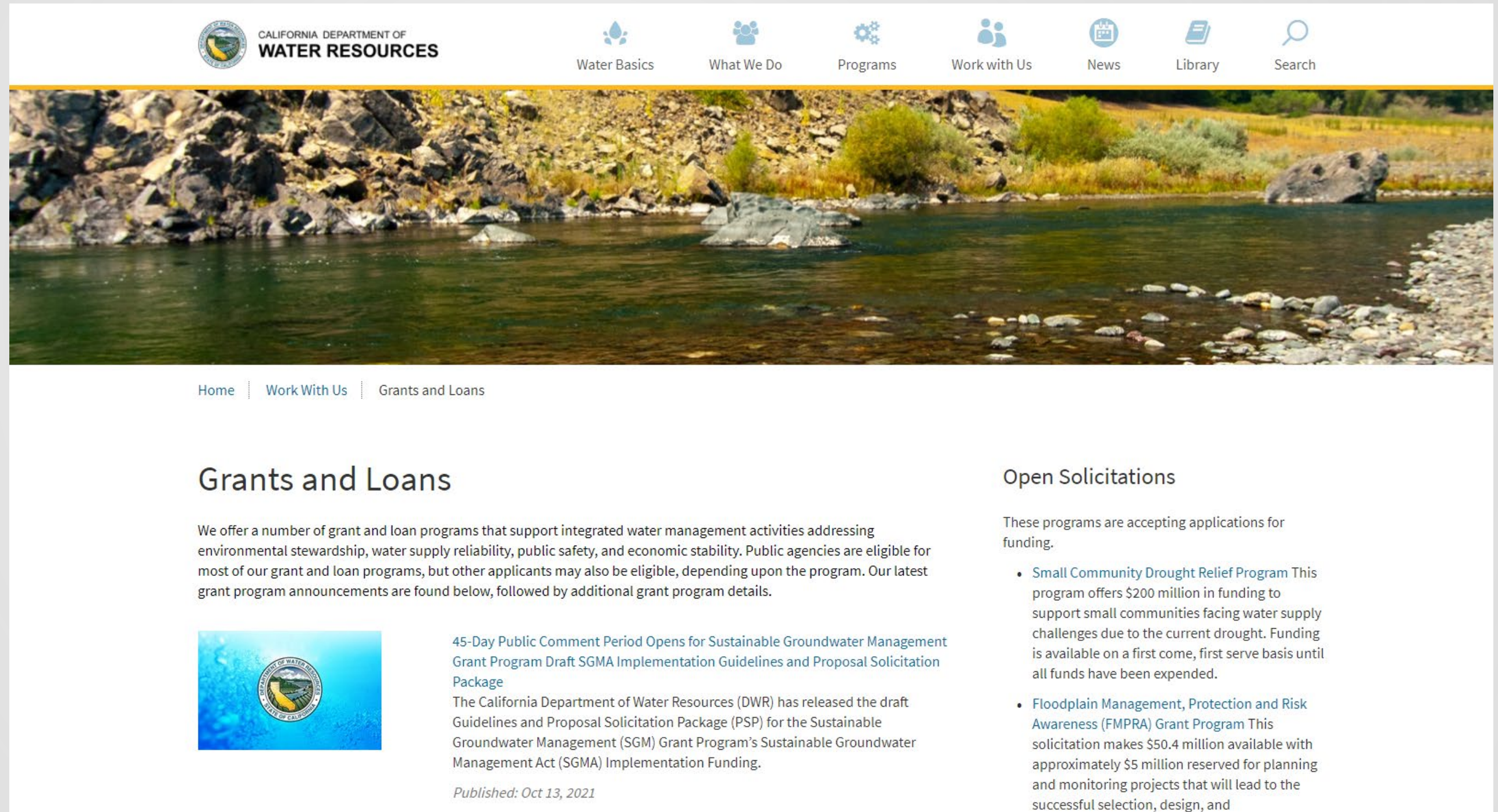


# How to Apply

[www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans](http://www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans)

*How to find  
out more*

*DWR  
Website*



The screenshot shows the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) website. The header includes the DWR logo and navigation links: Water Basics, What We Do, Programs, Work with Us, News, Library, and Search. Below the header is a large image of a river flowing through a rocky landscape. The main content area is titled "Grants and Loans" and includes a breadcrumb trail: Home > Work With Us > Grants and Loans. The text describes the grant and loan programs available, emphasizing integrated water management activities. A featured announcement highlights the "45-Day Public Comment Period Opens for Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program Draft SGMA Implementation Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package," dated October 13, 2021. To the right, under "Open Solicitations," two programs are listed: the Small Community Drought Relief Program and the Floodplain Management, Protection and Risk Awareness (FMPRA) Grant Program.

**Grants and Loans**

We offer a number of grant and loan programs that support integrated water management activities addressing environmental stewardship, water supply reliability, public safety, and economic stability. Public agencies are eligible for most of our grant and loan programs, but other applicants may also be eligible, depending upon the program. Our latest grant program announcements are found below, followed by additional grant program details.

**45-Day Public Comment Period Opens for Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program Draft SGMA Implementation Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package**

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released the draft Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) for the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Implementation Funding.

*Published: Oct 13, 2021*

**Open Solicitations**

These programs are accepting applications for funding.

- Small Community Drought Relief Program** This program offers \$200 million in funding to support small communities facing water supply challenges due to the current drought. Funding is available on a first come, first serve basis until all funds have been expended.
- Floodplain Management, Protection and Risk Awareness (FMPRA) Grant Program** This solicitation makes \$50.4 million available with approximately \$5 million reserved for planning and monitoring projects that will lead to the successful selection, design, and



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# Emergency Drought Funding 2021

- \$200 million General Funds Small Community Drought Relief
- \$100 million for Urban Community Drought Relief
- \$200 million for Multibenefit Projects and Building Drought Resilience
  - Including, but not restricted to, Underrepresented and Tribal Communities





# Emergency Drought Funding 2021



- \$200 M through the Small Community Drought Relief Program.
- Projects include emergency water system repairs, bottled/hailed water, new wells and water storage tanks, and improvements to intakes and distribution systems.
- Guidelines available at <https://water.ca.gov/Water-Basics/Drought/Small-Community-Drought-Relief>



# Emergency Drought Funding 2021

## Grant Funding Locations

- Phase 1 Funding Recipient Locations
- Phase 2 Funding Recipient Locations
- Phase 3 Funding Recipient Locations



- Phase 1-3: DWR, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, is directing \$54 million to 25 small water systems throughout California.
- Small communities impacted by the drought are encouraged to apply as soon as possible and can submit applications or questions to [SmallCommunityDrought@water.ca.gov](mailto:SmallCommunityDrought@water.ca.gov)





# Emergency Drought Funding 2021



\$190 M through the Urban Community Drought and Multibenefit Funds

Eligible Projects include:

- Supplying hauled water, Installation of temporary community water tanks, bottled water, water vending machines
- New wells or rehabilitation of existing wells
- Construction or installation of permanent connection to adjacent water systems, recycled water projects that support immediate relief to potable water supplies, emergency water interties
- Fish and wildlife rescue, protection, and relocation
- Drought resiliency planning (not applicable to Multibenefit Drought Funds)
- Other projects that support immediate drought response that satisfy the criteria and eligibility outlined in this GL/PSP



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# Emergency Drought Funding 2021

- More information at <https://water.ca.gov/Water-Basics/Drought/Urban-Multi-Benefit-Drought>
- Draft GL/PSP comment period closed October 8, 2021; Final GL/PSP by November
- Applicants impacted by the drought are encouraged to apply as soon as possible and can submit applications or questions to [urbandrought@water.ca.gov](mailto:urbandrought@water.ca.gov)
- Visit <https://drought.ca.gov> for more information, Drought Assistance



# Current Programs with Grants/Loans

- IRWM Prop 1 Implementation Round 2 (Spring 2022, \$192 Million)
- Sustainable Groundwater Drought Funding for COD Basin for SGMA Implementation (Planning & Projects) (Fall 2021, \$160 Million)
- Sustainable Groundwater Drought Funding for Medium and High Priority Basins for SGMA Implementation (Planning & Projects) (Winter 2022, \$191.5 Million)
- Flood Control Subventions Program (\$19 Million, ongoing)
- Delta Flood Emergency Response Program (Winter 2021-2022, \$5 Million)
- Floodplain Management, Protection, and Risk Awareness (Fall 2021, \$50.4 Million)





# Regional Programs



***IRWM IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS***



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# Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program

- Collaborative effort to manage all aspects of water resources in a region
- IRWM involves multiple agencies, stakeholders, individuals, and groups; crosses jurisdictional, watershed, and political boundaries
- IRWM grant programs fund planning, implementation, Tribal and Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)/ Underrepresented Communities



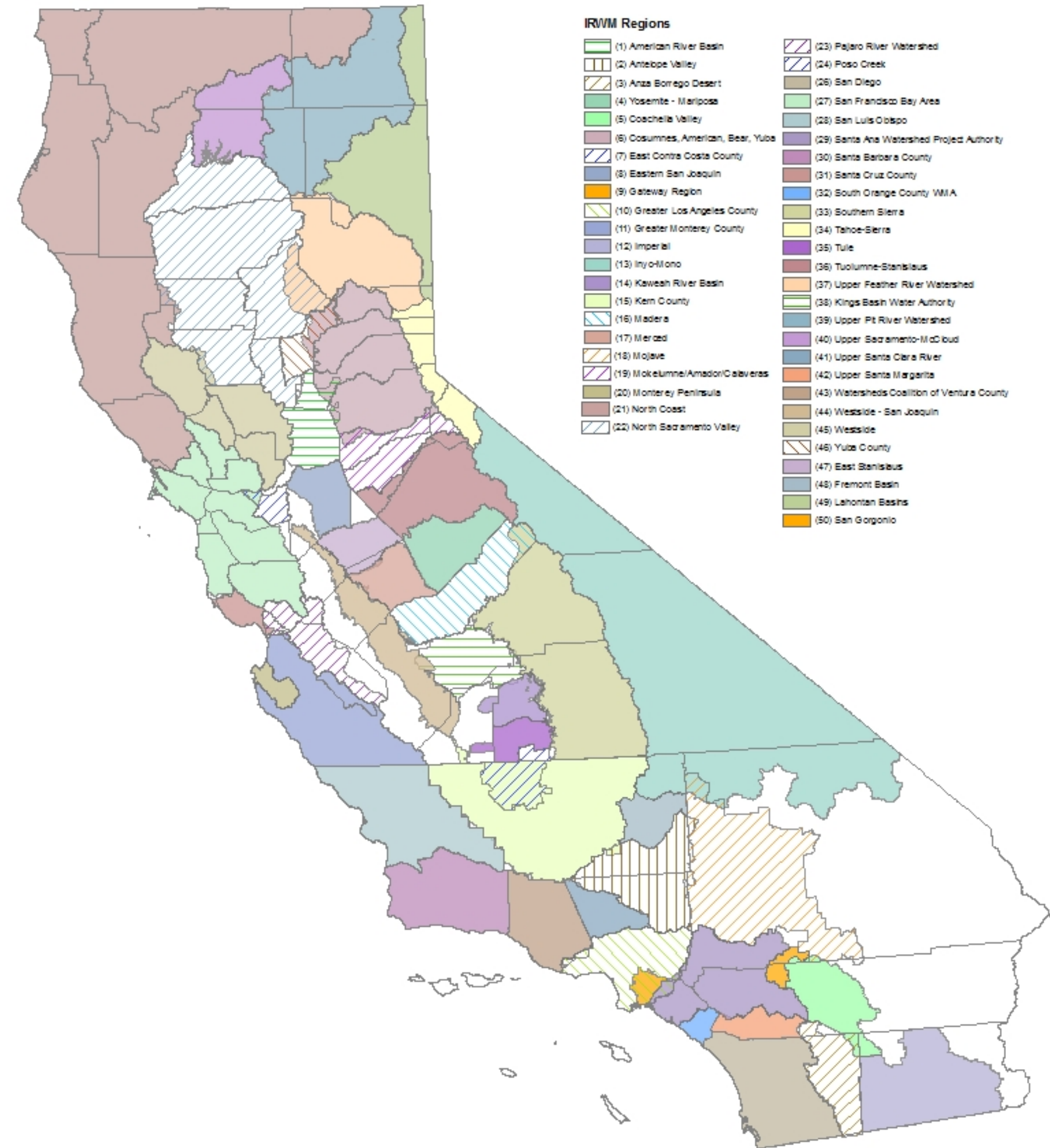


# 48 IRWM Regions in CA

- Funding through a DWR accepted IRWM region
- Projects identified through the regional process, consistent with the IRWM plan
- Interregional Collaboration



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# Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program

- Round 2 Implementation Grants solicitation (2021-22)
- \$192 Million in funding for Project types
  - Water Supply, Conservation and Water Infrastructure Improvements
  - Stormwater Mitigation, Capture and Infiltration
  - Environmental Improvements and Enhancements
  - Decision Support Tools (e.g. Computer Models)





# Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program

- Eligible Applicants include public agencies, non-profit organizations - 501(c)(3), public utilities, federally recognized Indian tribes, state Indian tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission's Tribal Consultation list, and mutual water companies.



# Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program

## Tentative Dates:

- Solicitation Advertised and Open – Winter 2021/2022
- Application Deadlines - Spring 2022, Fall 2022
- Round 2 Award Announcement – Summer 2022 to early 2023

**<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs/Proposition-1>**





# Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program



To help fund the construction of projects that will assist the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) in implementation of their Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs).



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# Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program

- COD Basin SGMA Implementation for Planning & Projects – \$152 Million for Awards
  - Open January 2022
  - Approximately \$7-8 million available per eligible COD basin
  - Modified competitive process
- Medium and High Priority Basin SGMA Implementation for Planning & Projects – approx. \$190 Million for Awards
  - Open Winter 2022/2023
  - Competitive process





# Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program

- COD Basin SGMA Implementation Funding – \$152 million
- Eligible Projects will be those related to the development and implementation of GSPs or approved Alternatives to a GSP
  - Filling data gaps, modifying projects and management actions, updating of the GSPs, addressing comments received by DWR
  - Implementation projects as outlined within the GSPs or approved Alternatives



# Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program

- Medium & High Priority Basin SGMA Implementation Funding
  - ≈ \$71.5 million remaining from Proposition 68 and an anticipated
  - ≈ \$114 million in future General Fund
- Eligible Projects will be those related to the development and implementation of GSPs or approved Alternatives to a GSP
  - Filling data gaps, modifying projects and management actions, updating of the GSPs, addressing comments received by DWR
  - Implementation projects as outlined within the GSPs or approved Alternatives



# Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program

## Tentative Dates:

- COD Basin SGMA Implementation – January 2022
- Medium & High Priority SGMA Implementation – Winter 2022/23

<https://www.water.ca.gov/sgmgrants>



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# Flood Protection Programs



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# Flood Control Subventions Program

To provide financial assistance to local agencies cooperating in the construction of federally authorized flood control projects not part of State Plan of Flood Control facilities.



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# Flood Control Subventions Program

## Proposition 84 Total Estimated \$19 Million

- Projects are typically approved by the State Legislature and specifically cited in the Water Code. Claim submittals accepted on a continuous basis and are paid generally first come, first served, based on available State funding.

*<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/Flood-Control-Subventions-Program>*



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# Delta Flood Emergency Response Program



The Delta Flood Emergency Response Grant Program objective is to improve local flood emergency response in the Delta region of California and increase public safety.

<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-US/Grants-And-Loans/Flood-Emergency-Response-Projects-Grants>



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# Delta Flood Emergency Response Program

## Proposition 1 Total Estimated \$5 Million

- California Public Agencies within the legal Delta including primary and secondary zones with primary responsibility for flood emergency response and coordination.
- Tentative application period Jan – Feb 2022. Directed Funding is offered through this program as funds become available.
- Delta Emergency Response Grant Program Guidelines, Round 3 are out for public review, due November 15





# Floodplain Management Protection and Risk Awareness Program





# Floodplain Management Protection and Risk Awareness Grant Program

- Provides local assistance funding for projects that reduce flood risks associated with stormwater flooding, mudslides, and flash flooding
- Statewide program; with the exception of Delta conveyance facilities



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# FMPRA Grant Program Funding

- Prop 68 Total Funding: \$50.4 Million
- \$45.36 million planned for implementation projects (including capital asset acquisition or construction components)
- \$5.04 million planned for planning and non-structural purposes, including mapping, hazard mitigation planning, risk awareness and data collection activities



# FMPRA Grant Program Schedule

- **September 27, 2021:** Solicitation period opens with the release of the Final Program Guidelines and PSP
- **October 27, 2021:** Concept proposal submittal deadline

\*A concept proposal must be submitted for a full proposal to be considered for funding.

- **February 9, 2022:** Full Proposal Submittal Deadline
- **Summer 2022:** Expected Award Announcement Date

<https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/floodplain-management-protection-and-risk-awareness-program-2/>





# Additional Information, How to Learn More

*DWR Website*

[www.water.ca.gov](http://www.water.ca.gov)

*DWR Grants and Loans Page*

[www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans](http://www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans)

*Bond Accountability Website*

[www.bondaccountability.ca.gov](http://www.bondaccountability.ca.gov)



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