

## Virginia Dept. of Health Looks At Funding

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### **Funding Opportunities**

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program and the Water Supply Assistance Grant Fund (WSAGF) have over \$10 million available for both private and public waterworks. Most applications are due on March 27, 2009 while planning grant applications are due in August 2009.

### **DWSRF - Available Funds - \$10,000,000**

**Construction Funds** - Private and public owners of community waterworks and nonprofit non-community waterworks are eligible to apply for construction funds. **Readiness to proceed with construction is a key element.**

**1452(k) Source Water Protection Initiatives** - Loan funds are available to community and non-community waterworks to acquire land/conservation easements and community waterworks only to establish local, voluntary incentive-based protection measures.

**Set-Aside Suggestion Forms** - Anyone has the opportunity to suggest new or continuing set-aside (non-construction) activities that assure the sustainability of safe drinking water.

**Planning & Design Grants** - Private and public owners of community waterworks are eligible to apply for grant funds that can be up to \$30,000 per project for small, financially stressed, community waterworks serving fewer than 3,300 persons. These funds could assist the waterworks owner in future submittals for construction funds.

### **WSAGF - Available Funds - \$300,000**

**Planning Grants** - \$60,000 Available - Eligible activities may include (but not be limited to): Capacity building activities addressing regionalization or consolidation, performance of source water quality and quantity studies, drilling test wells to determine source feasibility, income surveys, preliminary engineering planning, design and preparation of plans and specifications, or other similar technical assistance projects.

**Surface Water Development or Improvement Grants** - \$200,000 Available - Eligible activities include land purchase, options to purchase land, general site development costs, and dam upgrade and construction.

**Small Project Construction Grants** - \$100,000 Available - Eligible activities include (but not be limited to) upgrade or construction of well or spring sources, waterlines, storage tanks, and treatments. Small project construction is defined as a project whose total cost does not exceed \$50,000.

### **Construction Funding Workshops**

VDH is holding six workshops in various locations throughout the state that will focus on DWSRF Construction funding. All attendees must register by February 13, 2009. The dates, locations, and registration form can be found at [www.daa.com/portfolio/civil-utilities.htm](http://www.daa.com/portfolio/civil-utilities.htm) or on the VDH website.

### **Stimulus/Recovery Funds**

EPA indicates a strong probability that the federal government will make new funds available through an economic stimulus/recovery package. Funds for drinking water will be limited to construction projects that are ready-to-proceed. At this time the amount of additional funding is unknown; however, we are expecting a final bill in February.

Applicants for any Economic Stimulus/Recovery Funds should apply under the 2010 Funding Solicitation Package.

ODW will make information available as soon as it is released and post it at: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinkingwater/news.htm>. To read the entire Economic Stimulus/Recovery Funds verbiage from the VDH go to [www.daa.com/portfolio/civil-utilities.htm](http://www.daa.com/portfolio/civil-utilities.htm).

## For More Info



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To access the Program Design Manual and application forms go to [www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinkingwater/](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinkingwater/)

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