

State Water Infrastructure Authority
Meeting Date – September 18, 2014
Agenda Item E – Proposed Changes to Loan and Grant Priority Criteria

Division of Water Infrastructure Staff Report

Background

At the August 8, 2014 Special Meeting via conference call, the Authority reviewed and discussed proposed criteria changes that included a new priority point line item with points to be assigned if a local government located in a Tier 1 county applies for funding for a project that is required to be completed due to an EPA administrative order. The change was necessary due to a requirement in Section 14.16 of the 2014 Budget Bill. The background information provided for the August 8, 2014 meeting is attached for reference (Agenda Item C for the August 8, 2014 meeting).

The Authority provided approval for the Division of Water Infrastructure to provide the public notice of these proposed priority criteria changes to the CWSRF, DWSRF, CDBG-I, the State Wastewater Reserve, and the State Drinking Water Reserve funding programs.

Following that action by the Authority, the Division noticed and began the required 30-day public notice period on August 11, 2014 and ended the public notice period on September 10, 2014.

Summary of Public Comments Received

The Division did not receive any comments regarding the proposed priority criteria changes to the CWSRF, DWSRF, CDBG-I, the State Wastewater Reserve, and the State Drinking Water Reserve funding programs.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Authority:

1. Approve the criteria changes to the CWSRF, DWSRF, CDBG-I, the State Wastewater Reserve, and the State Drinking Water Reserve funding programs
 2. Approve the application of the criteria changes to the October 2, 2014 funding application round.
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