

From: Chad Davison <chaddavison_gcsd@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 10:52 AM
To: Cegielski, Sabrina S_@Waterboards <Sabrina.Cegielski@Waterboards.ca.gov>
Cc: Tony Lopes <tlopes@forestvillewd.com>; cgo@forestvillewd.com; john.gcsd@gmail.com; Reese, Michael J_@Waterboards <Michael.Reese@Waterboards.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: *Time Sensitive* Funding Opportunity

EXTERNAL:

This is fantastic news! Can we schedule a quick call to discuss?

Thanks,
Chad
Sent from my iPhone. Please excuse any typos.

On Apr 29, 2024, at 10:49 AM, Cegielski, Sabrina S_@Waterboards <Sabrina.Cegielski@waterboards.ca.gov> wrote:

Good morning,

I hope this email finds you well. I am reaching out to you today regarding a funding opportunity from the Water Boards.

We expect to have a technical assistance contract with the North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP) signed in the next few months, and we'll have a funding available to wastewater projects in the North Coast region. The plan for the contract is for NCRP to sub-contract out some work to engineering firms who can put together planning or construction applications for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for communities that are eligible.

So, I am asking you if you have any additional needed upgrades at the treatment or collection facility that could use some grant funds. During my last inspection at Graton, Chad and John noted that their discharge pump has some issues and may need to be replaced and that you may be pursuing UV disinfection. I also understand that Forestville is considering adding an additional Filtration unit to their treatment plant to increase treatment capacity. Of course, there may be some other upgrades or projects I haven't mentioned that fit this funding opportunity better for your priorities both separately and together.

This tech assistance program would essentially allow you to hire an engineer (given that NCRP is okay with sub-contracting to said engineer) to complete a grant application to cover those projects. That could be a planning application (which we've budgeted at ~\$25,000) or straight to a construction application (budgeted at ~\$500,000) – it depends on the scope of the project.

The application form is a 1-page request that I could even help you fill out (attached). *Please do not send this form to DFA-TARequest@waterboards.ca.gov as it says on the top of the form, send it back to me and we will submit to DFA because this funding is specifically for the North Coast Region and we do not want it to get delayed in the general in-box.*

We are hoping to capitalize on this program and get as much money to the communities in the north coast as possible. The funds are time-limited, so we are trying to get the ball rolling on these projects as soon as possible.

I would be happy to set up a meeting with you individually or together. Please let me know if you have questions or wish to learn more.

Sincerely,
Sabrina Cegielski (she/her)
Water Quality Control Engineer
North Coast RWQCB
(707)543-7126 office
sabrina.cegielski@waterboards.ca.gov