Funding Programs for the Interlake Tunnel Project (May 2, 2016)

Program	Department/ Agency	Eligible Uses of Funds	Maximum Assistance	Pros	Cons	Timing	Prioritization/Next Steps
IRWMP Prop 1	Department of Water Resources	Projects that implement IRWM plans, projects and programs.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	• Grant. • $810 million available statewide. • $43 million set aside for Central Coast Region. • $51 million set aside for priority statewide projects that benefit economically distressed areas or underrepresented communities within regions. • Project and planning solicitations. • Opportunity to participate in the stakeholder process for the development of new grant guidelines.	• Match Required. • Competitive process. • Complicated application process. • If consultant needed to complete application, associated cost. • WRA may not be able to meet project readiness criteria. • The PSP will identify a date by which construction must begin; WRA may not be able to meet this date. • Mitigation ineligible. • WRA is participating in a working group to distribute these funds on a regional basis.	Project Grants – TBD Planning Grants – Due Summer 2016	• Works towards project readiness including planning, design, engineering, environmental, and matching funds. • Evaluate other projects in the region that will be submitting to evaluate the competition. • Schedule follow up meeting with DWR to evaluate project.
Restoration Grant Prop 1	Department of Fish and Wildlife	Projects that focus on water quality, river, and watershed protection and restoration projects of statewide importance outside of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta).	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	• Grant. • No match required, though matching funds are worth points in the scoring criteria. • $285 million available statewide, though one round of funding has been awarded. • $31 million available for Round 2 grants in 2016/2017. • Project and planning activities are eligible. • In Round 1, an intake and fish screen project was awarded $8.1 million.	• Highly competitive. • 190 applicants for Round 1 with only 24 projects awarded funding (12.6%). • Program could fund the smaller eco-systems components of the project but not the main project. • Mitigation ineligible.	Late 2016	• Works towards project readiness. • Meet with DFW to evaluate project.
California Streamflow Enhancement Program Prop 1	Wildlife Conservation Board	Projects that support implementation of multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	• Grant. • $200 million available statewide. • Surface storage to be used to enhance stream flow and reservoir operations are eligible.	• Highly competitive. • $21 million funded in Round I. • Mitigation ineligible.	Late 2016	• Works towards project readiness. • Meet with WCB to evaluate project.
Infrastructure State Revolving Fund	Infrastructure Bank	Construct and/or repair water collection, supply, and treatment systems, including equipment.	$25,000,000	• Simple application process. • Large maximum loan/grant award. • Very low interest rate. • Met with Executive Director of I-Bank and confirmed project eligibility.	• Loan. • No repayment sources for loan and cannot begin application process until Proposition 218 assessment is in place.	Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.	• Reevaluate once Prop 218 assessment is passed.
Clean Water SRF	State Water Resources Control Board	Stormwater treatment and diversion, erosion control, stream restoration,, agricultural drainage.	None	• Met with SWRCB and confirmed limited eligibility for stormwater components of the project. • Simple application process. • No maximum award.	• Loan/Grant Combo. • No repayment sources for loan.	Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.	• No next steps at this time.

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Drinking Water SRF	State Water Resources Control Board	Water treatment facilities, replace aging infrastructure, planning studies, consolidation of water systems, etc.	$20,000,000	• Met with SWRCB and confirmed limited eligibility for drinking water components of the project. • Simple application process. • Large maximum loan/grant award.	• Loan/Grant Combo. • No repayment sources for loan.	Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.	• No next steps at this time.
Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)	US Department of Agriculture	Restoration and sustainable use of natural resources on regional or watershed scales.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award. Last round max was $20 million per project.	• Grant. • The USDA is willing to offer technical assistance to improve the WRA's previous grant application. • Large maximum grant award amount. • Met with USDA and limited eligibility for specific components of the project.	• $200 million available nationwide, only half of the amount available last round. • Competitive process. • The Water Resources Agency submitted a concept that was not successful. • The previous application will need to be re-written.	State has not released a submission date.	• Re-evaluate submission.
Water Storage Chapter 8 Prop 1	CA Water Commission/ Department of Water Resources	Water storage projects.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	-----	• Project is ineligible, given the lack of relationship to the Delta.	State has not released a submission date.	• No next steps at this time.
IRWMP Prop 84	Department of Water Resources	Projects that implement IRWM plans, projects and programs.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	-----	• Project is ineligible, must begin construction by April 2016.	State has not released a submission date.	• No next steps at this time.
Proposition 1E: Flood	Department of Water Resources	$800 million bond passed in 2006. Provided funds to rebuild and repair flood control structures.	State does not have a published solicitation.	------	• State does not have a published solicitation.	State does not have a published solicitation.	• Schedule follow up meeting with Department of Water Resources.
Prop 1 Coastal Conservancy Grants	State Coastal Conservancy	Priority project types include: water sustainability improvements, anadromous fish habitat enhancement, wetland restoration and urban greening.	None.	-----	• Majority of the funds available have already been allocated. The remainder of the funding is available for Los Angeles WRA projects only.	State does not have a published solicitation.	• No next steps at this time.
Fisheries Restoration Grant Program	Department of Fish and Wildlife	Projects that restore anadromous salmonid habitat with the goal of ensuring the survival and protection of the species.	State has not yet determined maximum grant award	• Annual program with multiple sources of funding for grant program.	• Grant awards are very small. Generally less than $1 million per project. • Mitigation ineligible. • Program could fund the smaller eco-systems components of the project but not the main project.	Applications accepted on an annual basis.	• Works towards project readiness. • Meet with DFW to evaluate project.
Proposition 40 (2002)	Various Departments and Agencies	$2.6 billion bond passed in 2002. Provided funds for multiple programs including watershed protection, water quality, wildlife habitat protection.	State does not have a published solicitation.	------	• State does not have a published solicitation.	State does not have a published solicitation.	• Meet with the Assembly Budget Committee regarding any funds that may be remaining.