

Plan to Implement

Iowa Flood Center – Planning approved and implementation pending

Watershed Management Authority Grant Phase III – Potential for phase III

Iowa 319 Grants – Impaired Watersheds

Iowa Department of Ag and Land Stewardship
Planning and Development Grants
Watershed Protection Project funds

Water Improvement Review Board – Watershed Projects

State Revolving Loan Fund – Low interest loan program for ag land and storm water practices.

Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Projects – A new source of funding through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund

Community Development Block Grants

- Water, Sewer Projects – could be used to fund some stormwater/sanitary sewer separation in conjunction with other eligible activities
- Community Facilities and Services – More typical storm water and drainage projects category
- Downtown Revitalization Fund & Sustainable Community Demos – New green sustainable building practices, bioswales, raingardens, complete streets, stormwater BMPs such as permeable pavers, and demonstrations

Army Corp of Engineers

USDA – Conservation Innovation Grant

Private Nonprofit Organizations

What: A public meeting to discuss the guidelines for “Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Projects,” a new source of water quality funding through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

When: During the 2009 Iowa General Assembly session, legislation was passed to allow a new method for funding water quality protection. The Iowa Code was amended to add a new category of projects that can be financed with sewer revenues. This new category, called “water resource restoration sponsored projects,” includes locally directed, watershed-based projects to address water quality problems.

This program will be implemented through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), a loan program for construction of water quality facilities and practices. On a typical CWSRF loan, the utility borrows principal and repays principal plus interest and fees. On a CWSRF loan with a sponsored project, the utility borrows for both the wastewater improvement project and the sponsored project. However, through an overall interest rate reduction, the utility’s ratepayers do not pay any more than they would have for just the wastewater improvements. Instead, two water quality projects are completed for the cost of one.

Three public meetings are scheduled. The purpose of the public meetings is to gather input from program stakeholders on the proposed guidelines and procedures for sponsored projects. Click on the link below to view the “DRAFT 11/5/2012 Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Projects Application Process” which will be presented at the meetings for discussion. Oral comments will be recorded at the meetings for consideration in the final draft. Written comments will also be accepted through Monday, December 17, 2012. Submit written comments to Patti Cale-Finnegan, Iowa DNR, 401 SW 7th Street, Suite M, Des Moines, IA 50309; e-mail patti.cale-finnegan@dnr.iowa.gov; fax 515-725-0348.

The proposal will be presented to the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) for approval as part of the CWSRF Intended Use Plan. With approval from EPC, SRF staff will develop application forms and send out a solicitation for sponsored projects. Click to view information on Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Projects: [Public Meetings on Sponsored Projects](#)

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