



Overview of Water Project Funding Programs

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Regional Water Sustainability Projects

- Not a “funding opportunity” but need to discuss
- Projects undertaken by the state, often in partnership with others, that help achieve water resource sustainability on a regional, basin-wide, or state-wide basis
- Examples include:
 - ✓ Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer recharge
 - ✓ Cloud Seeding in various basins
 - ✓ Anderson Ranch Reservoir Enlargement
- Priority List Adopted by IWRB
- State Surplus, ARPA, other sources (WIIN Act)



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Regional Water Sustainability Projects that provide would basin-wide, regional, or state-wide benefits

Tier 1 Projects	
Mountain Home Air Force Base Sustainable Water Project	\$30,000,000
Anderson Ranch Reservoir Enlargement	\$90,000,000
Large Upper Valley ESPA Aquifer Recharge Project	\$75,000,000
Aging Water Infrastructure Repair Fund	\$50,000,000
Cloud seeding infrastructure in additional basins	\$8,000,000
Lewiston Orchards Exchange Project	\$35,000,000
TOTAL – TIER 1	\$288,000,000

Tier 2 Projects	
Bear Lake Additional Storage	\$15,000,000
Mountain Home Aquifer Water Supply	\$50,000,000
Governors Salmon Work Group Projects	\$80,000,000
New York Canal Lining	\$50,000,000
Raft River Pipeline	\$30,000,000
TOTAL – TIER 2	\$225,000,000

Tier 3 Projects	
Lemhi Basin Aquifer Recharge	\$5,000,000
Lost Valley Reservoir Enlargement	\$50,000,000
Palouse Basin Aquifer Water Supply	\$70,000,000
Community Water Supply Projects	\$50,000,000
Flood Management Grant projects	\$5,000,000
Water quality projects statewide	\$30,000,000
Water Management Account & Secondary Aquifer Fund	\$100,000,000
Municipal water re-use projects	\$20,000,000
TOTAL – TIER 3	\$330,000,000

GRAND TOTAL	\$843,000,000
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- Adopted by Idaho Water Resource Board on July 23, 2021
- For a more detailed version of this list please see <https://idwr.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/09/Water-Projects-List-Draft-3.0.pdf>

Revolving Loan Program

- Provides funds on loan basis for reconstruction, repair, and improvement of water storage and delivery infrastructure – **aging infrastructure**
- Also provides funds for mitigation projects
- Customer base includes canal companies, irrigation districts, ground water districts, cities, and others
- Interest rate is set to the Federal Prime Rate - currently 3.25%
- Interest rate reductions for aging infrastructure and term of 15 years or less – recently approved some at 2.6%

Revolving Loan Program



Flood Management Grant Program

- Program Started in 2018 at direction of Legislature
- Provides competitive, cost share grants for flood-damaged stream channel repair, stream channel improvement, flood risk reduction, and flood prevention projects
- Grant recipients include Flood Control Districts, Counties, SCD's, Cities, Canal Companies/Irrigation Districts
- Annual budget of \$1 million
- Annual cycle with applications open from late winter through spring. Awards made by the Water Board in July.

Flood Management Grant Program



Construction of flood retention pond near Twin Falls



Bank stabilization on Boise River



Channel reconstruction on Big Wood River

Questions

