

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

State Revolving Loan Program & Septic System Replacement Program

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Presentation Topics

- What is the SRF Program
- Qualify Applicants
- Funding Opportunities
- Priority List Process
- Application Process
- New Individual Septic System Replacement Program

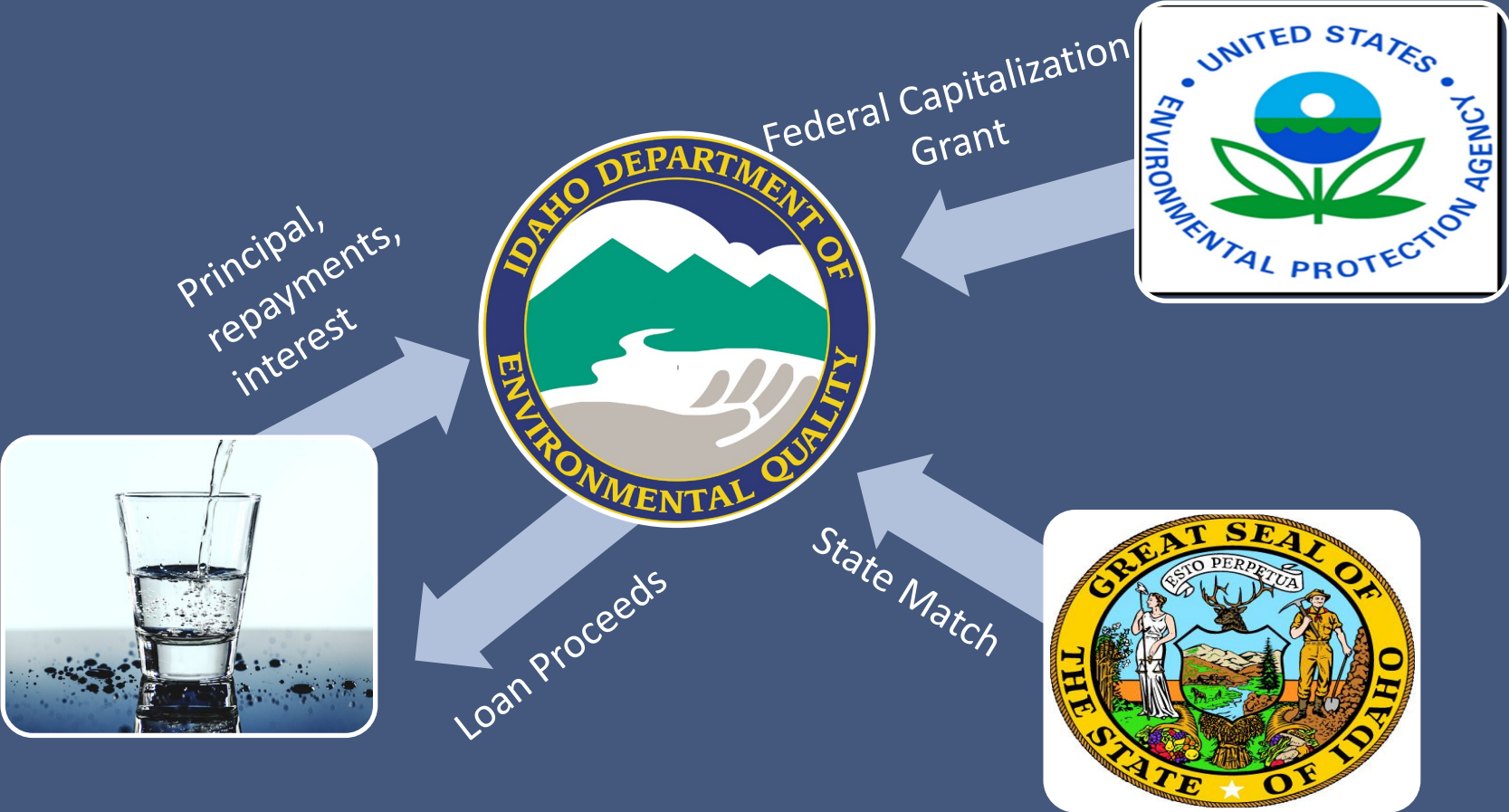


State Revolving Fund Background

- SRF program authorized by the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act jointly administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the states.



How the SRF program works



Clean Water SRF

- Wastewater Systems
 - Government entities and nonprofit corporations that have authority to collect, treat, or dispose of sewage or industrial wastewater
- Loans for:
 - Sewer system rehabilitation
 - New systems for unsewered communities
 - Nonpoint source pollution control
 - Stormwater management for water quality



Drinking Water SRF

- Drinking Water Systems
 - Community water systems and nonprofit noncommunity water systems
- Loans for:
 - Improvements to public water supply systems
 - Consolidations and connections
- Set-Asides
 - Technical assistance, capacity development, SDWIS



SRF Loan Terms

- Interest Rates have range from 1.25% - 2.75% for the past 5 years
- Terms up to 30 years of useful life
- Principal forgiveness is available for disadvantaged communities



Requirements for SRF Loans



Engineering Report



Environmental Reviews



Debt Authority

Drinking and Wastewater Planning Grants

- Require 50% Matching Local Share
- Used To Pay For Engineer To Prepare Planning Documents
 - Plan for upgrading drinking water or wastewater system
 - Environmental Reports
- \$350,000 for WW with \$65,000 max
- \$350,000 for DW with \$45,000 max



Priority List Process for Grants & Loans

Submit LOI from Oct 1st-Jan 8th

DEQ Rates LOIs in February

Priority List Posted in March for Comment



Priority List Process for Grants & Loans

DEQ Board Approves Priority List in May



Letters sent to systems



Funded systems submit applications



Letter of Interest Tips

- Points are directed to projects that address the following:
 - Reduce drinking water and sewage related health risks
 - Reduce water pollution
 - Encourage technical, financial and managerial self sufficiency
 - Address compliance issues
- Letters of Interest will address non-regulated containments:
 - Points will be given for projects that address containments that have been identified by EPA that pose health risks
 - Ex: Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), manganese, and cyanotoxins
- Ranked list is refined based on readiness to proceed:
 - Completion of Engineering Reports
 - Authority to enter into debt



Loan and Grant Application Tips

- Grant Application
 - Grant handbook lays out all details
 - Engineering contract review
- Loan Application
 - Technical, Financial, Managerial (TFM) review
 - Ability to incur debt
 - 3 years of audited financials
 - Financial control policy
- Loans have some federal requirements
 - Davis Bacon
 - American Iron & Steel

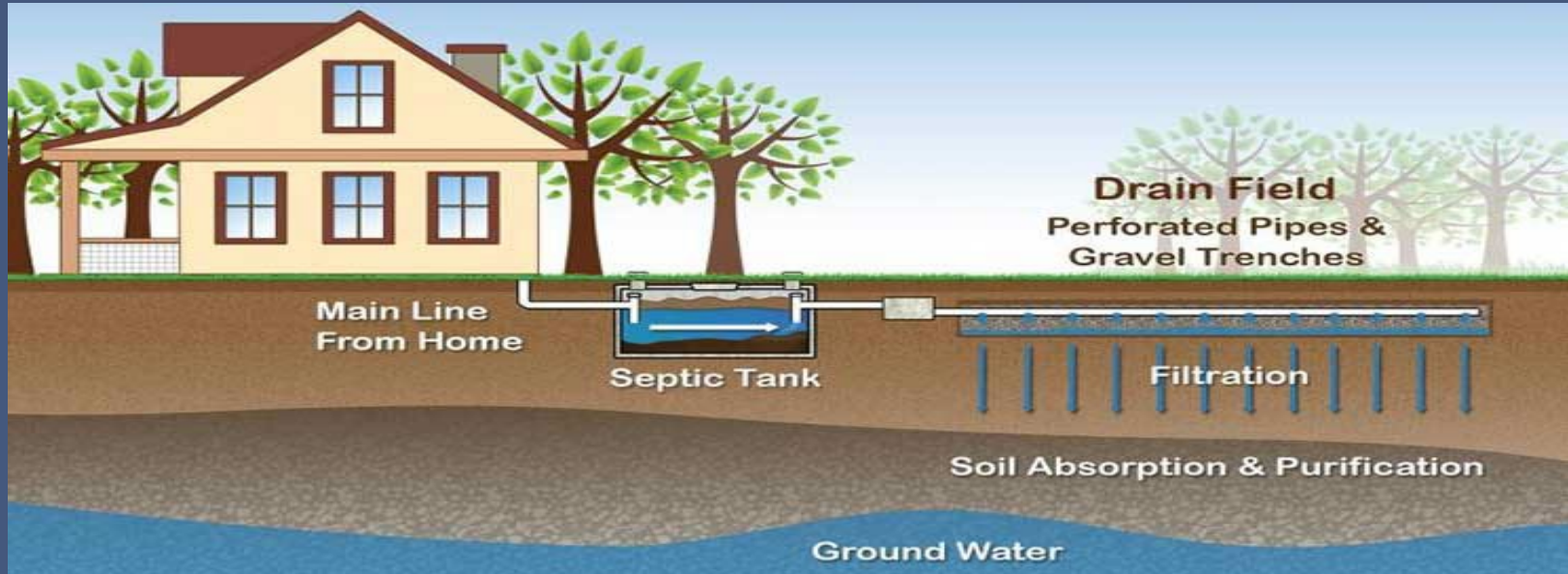


Other SRF Funding Assistance

- Emergency Funding
 - Up to \$200K
 - Public health at imminent risk
- Reduction of Lead Exposure
 - Up to \$500K
 - Replaces lead pipes and fixtures
- Individual Septic System Replacement
 - Partnered with RCAC



Individual Septic System Replacement



- In communities less than 50K population
- For owner occupied homes served by septic system
- Septic systems replaced by licensed contractor
- For household incomes less than \$49,174
- Loans up to \$15,000 at 1% for 20 years
- Loan fees can be included in loan (costs does not exceed \$600)
- Repayment required if homeowner vacates home
- Septic System maintenance education

Individual Septic System Replacement

- Grants available for incomes below \$24,587
- Up to \$15,000 toward replacement cost
- 10 year compliance with 10% annual forgiveness
- If property sold or vacated within 5 years, repayment required



Contact information for Septic Program

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BIL and ARPA Funding

- Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill or Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
 - DWSRF Stimulus - \$17,955,000
 - CWSRF Stimulus - \$8,809,000
 - Funds to address lead and emerging contaminants
- American Rescue Plan Act
 - State issued \$1.2 billion



Thank you

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