

**Antelope Valley**  
**2014 IRWM Drought Solicitation**  
**Project Questionnaire**

The Antelope Valley IRWM Advisory Team is soliciting projects for inclusion in the 2014 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Drought Grant Solicitation, funded by Proposition 84, Round 3, Part 1. A copy of the Draft Proposal Solicitation Package and IRWM Guidelines may be found at <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/implementation.cfm>. It should be noted that this questionnaire applies to this specific grant round only and assumes that projects have already been accepted into the Antelope Valley IRWMP as implementation projects.

This is an expedited round of funding with strict deadlines. If you have a project that you would like to submit for consideration in Round 3, Part 1, please fill out this questionnaire completely and submit to Tim Chen at [TCHEN@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:TCHEN@dpw.lacounty.gov).

**Project Questionnaires will be accepted until 5:00 pm on Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.** The solicitation period will be closed at this date/time and no additional projects will be accepted for consideration in this round of funding. The process to select projects for the grant application will adhere to the following schedule:

- **May 7<sup>th</sup>** – all Project Questionnaires due by 5 pm
- **May 8<sup>th</sup>** – A-Team meeting to review Project Questionnaires
- **May 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>** – Submitted Project Questionnaires will be available on [www.avwaterplan.org](http://www.avwaterplan.org) website for review by stakeholders
- **May 14<sup>th</sup>** – IRWM Stakeholder meeting to be held from 9:00 – 10:30 am at the Larry Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Hwy, Joshua Room. Project selection to be led by the A-Team.

The information needed for each project is listed below. If you have any questions about this questionnaire, please contact Brian Dietrick at [bdietrick@rmcwater.com](mailto:bdietrick@rmcwater.com).

**A. General Information**

Project Name:

Has this project already been accepted into the Antelope Valley IRWMP<sup>1</sup>:

Is the information for this project in the [www.avwaterplan.org](http://www.avwaterplan.org) database up to date:

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<sup>1</sup> If the project has not been accepted into the IRWMP, please go to [www.avwaterplan.org](http://www.avwaterplan.org) (“Projects” tab) to obtain an Antelope Valley IRWMP Project Identification Form and follow the instructions. A project must be accepted into the IRWMP as an implementation project before it can be considered for this round of grant funding.

Project Proponent (agency):

Contact Person/Phone/Email:

Will the contact person be available during normal business hours during the month of June 2014:

Total project cost:

Total amount requested in grant funds:

Have matching funds been secured (please explain):

## **B. Eligibility**

Eligible Project Type under 2014 IRWM Drought Grant Solicitation (select all that apply):

- Provide immediate regional drought preparedness (see Table 1 of the 2014 IRWM Drought Guidelines for a definition of drought preparedness)
- Increase local water supply reliability and the delivery of safe drinking water
- Assist water suppliers and regions to implement conservation programs and measures that are not locally cost-effective
- Reduce water quality conflicts or ecosystem conflicts created by the drought

Discuss how the project will address the drought impact(s) presented above and how it can be considered as one or more of the four eligible project types, and why expedited funding is needed:

## **C. Project Information**

Project Description/Summary:

Phase 2 will connect the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (District #20) with the Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant (District #14) with a 24-inch pipeline, pump station, and storage tanks. The project will provide supplemental service to both cities and both Water Reclamation Plants.

Current Project Phase (select all that apply):

- Feasibility Study
- Planning
- Environmental Documentation/CEQA
- Permitting
- Implementation/Construction

Projected Start Date (for construction projects, “ready to proceed” means that bids have been awarded by the specified date):

What level of CEQA is required:

- Initial Study
- EIR
- EIS
- Mitigated Negative Declaration
- Negative Declaration
- Environmental Assessment
- Exempt

Are other permits required for the project (if yes, please list and describe progress):

Has a detailed budget been prepared for the project:

What is the basis for costs used to derive the budget:

## **D. Justification and Technical Basis**

List all studies, plans, and designs completed for the project:

Summarize the projected physical benefits of the project (i.e., AFY of new supply, acres, amount of storage space, etc.):

Describe how the performance of the project will be monitored:

### **E. Cost Analysis**

Have alternative methods been considered to achieve the same types and amounts of physical benefits as the proposed project:

If no, why not:

If yes, describe the alternative methods and estimated costs of the alternatives(s):

Is the project the least cost alternative to achieve the physical benefits (please explain):

If not the least cost alternative, why is it the preferred alternative:

### **F. Climate Change and DAC**

Does the project address climate change adaptation and/or mitigation (i.e., energy efficiency, reduction of greenhouse gases, reduction of carbon, reduction in water demand):

Does the project provide benefits to a disadvantaged community (DAC):