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WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY

Arizona's water and wastewater funding source

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WIFA Announces More Than \$100 Million Available for Financing Water Infrastructure Projects; several workshops for interested applicants to be held across Arizona

PHOENIX (March 17, 2014) – The Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) of Arizona announces \$100 million available for financing drinking water, wastewater and stormwater projects. WIFA offers low-interest loans and grants designed to ensure safe, reliable drinking water and proper wastewater treatment. WIFA funds are available to political subdivisions and ACC-regulated private drinking water companies.

Project types include replacing or refurbishing aging or deteriorating water lines; improving treatment systems to reduce contamination; constructing or rehabilitating storage facilities, intake structures and wells; constructing or expanding wastewater treatment facilities, interceptors, collectors and lift stations; upgrading or replacing failing decentralized wastewater systems; building recharge facilities – water reclamation and reuse; and improving stormwater infrastructure.

WIFA is holding five funding workshops across the state. Participants will hear information on how and why to apply, and have the opportunity to meet one on one with WIFA staff to discuss their specific project needs. Workshops will cover the following topics:

- Overview of WIFA, including the cost savings and financing terms available through WIFA's programs
- Opportunities for loan forgiveness subsidies that may be available for disadvantaged communities
- Examples of WIFA-funded water infrastructure projects;
- Incentives for green projects
- Grant and loan application process
- Timeline and anticipated funding levels for the upcoming year

The dates and locations of the funding workshops are:

City	Date	Time	Location	Address
Holbrook	April 7	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Holbrook City Council Chambers	465 1st Ave., Holbrook 86025
Phoenix	April 10	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Room 250	1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix 85007
Yuma	April 23	1:30 - 3 p.m.	Yuma Main Library, Meeting Room A	2951 S. 21st Dr., Yuma 85364
Flagstaff	May 1	1:30 - 3 p.m.	Flagstaff Public Library, Community Room	300 West Aspen Ave., Flagstaff 86001
Tucson	May 6	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Joel D. Valdez Main Library, Lower Level One (LLI) Meeting Room	101 N. Stone Ave., Tucson 85701

Early registration is encouraged. Please RSVP at least two days prior to workshop. To RSVP to attend a workshop, email your contact information to sraig@azwifa.gov. If there are less than five people registered to participate, the workshop will be canceled and a cancellation notice will be sent out to those who are registered.

For more information, please visit WIFA's website at azwifa.gov.

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