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Arizona's water and wastewater funding source

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WIFA Awards Technical Assistance Funding to Improve Water Quality and Protect Public Health

PHOENIX (October 28, 2014) - The Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) of Arizona recently awarded \$294,920 in technical assistance funding to communities to complete the planning and design phase of an infrastructure project. Ten awards were announced, half of which will fund “green” approaches to managing our state’s drinking water, stormwater and wastewater. Green approaches help to conserve resources and make our communities more sustainable.

Technical assistance awards are listed below:

Drinking Water Projects

Applicant	Project	County	Award Amount
Town of Kearny	Water System Infrastructure Master Plan, Rate Study, and PER	Pinal	\$32,900
Rancho Del Conejo Community Water Co-op Inc.	Water System Mapping and PER Water Master Plan	Pima	\$34,500
Ponderosa Utility Corporation	Water Distribution System Study and Energy Evaluation	Coconino	\$20,520
Lake Havasu City	Water Audit*	Mohave	\$35,000
City of Buckeye	Distribution Leak Survey Phase I*	Maricopa	\$22,000

Clean Water (Wastewater/Stormwater) Projects

Applicant	Project	County	Award Amount
City of Tempe	Loma Vista Flood Mitigation and Stormwater Re-Use Project*	Maricopa	\$35,000
Seligman Sanitary District	Seligman Sanitary Proposed New Wastewater Treatment Facility	Yavapai	\$18,600
City of Cottonwood	Wastewater Treatment Facility Roof Removal and Solar Installation*	Yavapai	\$35,000
Town of Oro Valley	Green Stormwater Infrastructure Action Plan*	Pima	\$35,000

City of Yuma	Figueroa Ave Water Pollution Control Facility Feasibility Study	Yuma	\$26,400
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*Green Project

The purpose of WIFA’s Planning and Design Technical Assistance Program is to help facilitate future construction of capital improvements related to drinking water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure. “Receiving funding assistance to take a project through the planning or early design phase is often the key to making the project happen at all, said WIFA Executive Director, Sandy Sutton. “We’re happy that WIFA can play a role in making these important projects a reality for Arizona’s communities.”

WIFA funds roughly \$450,000 per year in infrastructure planning and design projects. Funding comes from the Clean Water and Drinking Water Revolving Funds, which WIFA manages for the state of Arizona. Individual awards of up to \$35,000 are awarded twice a year, while WIFA’s low-interest financing (loan program) is available year-round and in any amount. The technical assistance program is designed to complement WIFA’s low-interest loan program, which funds construction as well as planning and design.

WIFA is a state agency dedicated to protecting public health and promoting environmental quality through funding and technical assistance programs.

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