

FALL 2026 SRF CALL FOR PROJECTS

The State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program has an open call for Clean Water (CW) and Drinking Water (DW) projects for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026. Applications will be accepted for CW and DW loan projects in addition to specialized funding for Emerging Contaminants projects and Lead Service Line Replacement projects. This second call for projects is a result of EPA increasing emphasis on developing a project pipeline that prioritizes projects that are ready to go to construction. More funding is available for clean water loan projects. Details for each and how to apply are below.

Loan Program Information

- Estimated FFY2026 Loan Funding for CW and DW projects:
 - **\$165 million** available for **CW projects**
 - **\$70 million** available for **DW projects**
- Low interest rates for FY27:
 - **2.70% standard rate** and a discounted incentive rate of 2.50% for projects that close prior to June 30, 2027
- Principal forgiveness funds are NOT available at this time
- Projects should be ready to proceed and **able to start construction within 1 year**

Emerging Contaminants Funding Information

- Last call for SRF principal forgiveness (\$2.6 million available)
 - Available to systems regardless of size
- EC-SDC grants available (\$24.25 million available)
 - For Small or Disadvantaged Communities

Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Funding Information

- Last call for LSLR projects (\$23 million available)
 - Funding is approximately ½ loan plus ½ principal forgiveness for each project

Application Process

Eligible project sponsors interested in applying for SRF funding within these project categories for FFY2026 are asked to submit a Project Questionnaire (PQ) to the SRF Program at SRF-Info@des.sc.gov by **COB November 13, 2026**. To download the latest CW and DW PQs, visit des.sc.gov/srfcall.

Loan Rates and Policies

SCDES and the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) jointly administer the SRF Program. RIA works with sponsors to determine creditworthiness for loan approval and sets loan rates. For financing terms, visit <https://ria.sc.gov/loans/financing-terms/>

PQ's Due by November 13, 2026