A competitive grant program to restore wetlands and water quality in SF Bay and its watersheds.

U.S. EPA Region 9

SF Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund

Webinar- April 15, 2020

FY20 Request for Applications Overview

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- Conference call line- keep your phones muted
- I will note slide numbers as we go
- Q&A at the end
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- Slides and Q&A will be posted on the website

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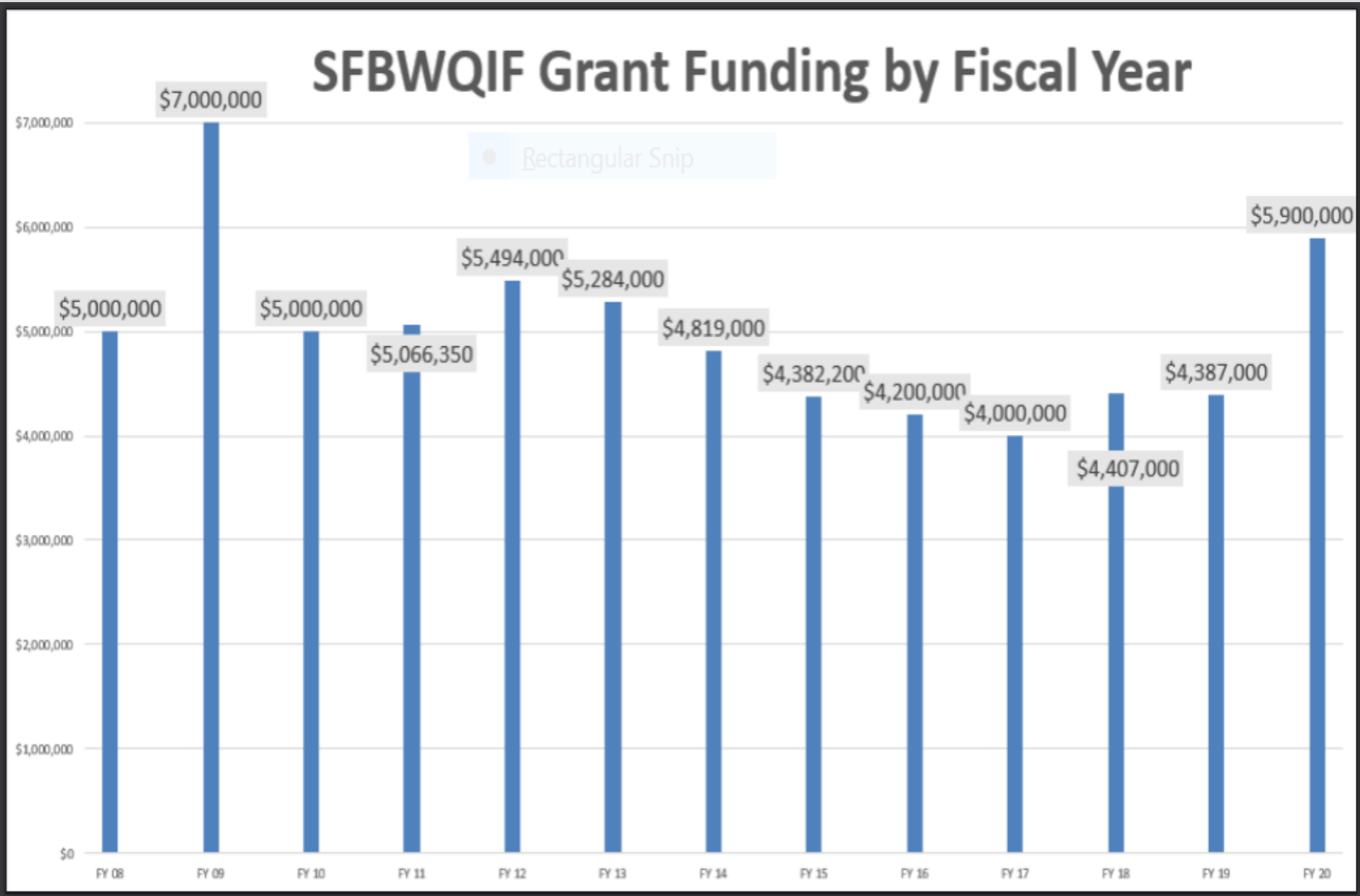
Purpose of Webinar

- Walk through the RFA
- Highlight that project outcomes must restore wetlands, restore water quality, and/or "green" development by reducing and treating stormwater
- Provide tips on navigating grants.gov
- Update on flexibilities being instituted while under COVID-19 shelter in place directives

SF Bay Grant Program Funding History



RESTORING WETLANDS

- Invested over $25 million in projects that further the goal of restoring 100,000 acres of tidal wetlands
- Complete ecosystems, in the baylands or watersheds

RESTORING WATER QUALITY

Invested over $27 million to improve water quality in the Bay and its watersheds.

GREENING DEVELOPMENT

Invested ~$5.5 million to improve Bay Area stormwater quality.

SFBWQIF StoryMap

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San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund Projects

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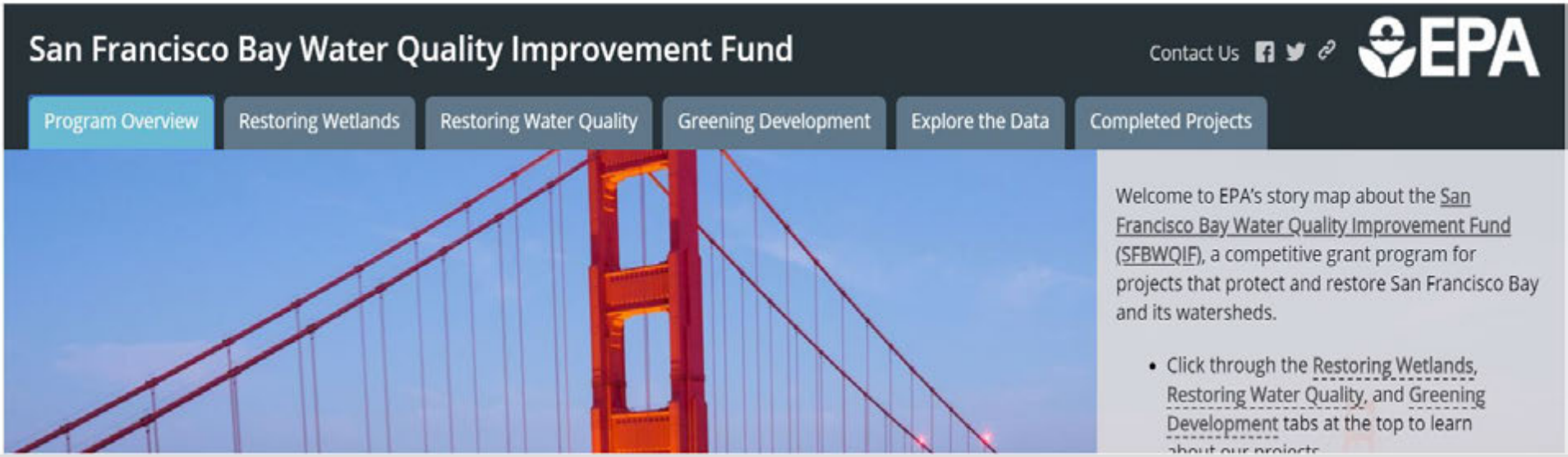


FY 20 RFA Overview

Available Funds	~ $5.5 million
Funding Range for Projects	$500,000 to $2,000,000
Match (statutory requirement)	50%
Project Period	~4 Years
Evaluation Criteria (100 pts)	Scope/Approach (20 pts) Environmental Results (25 pts) Budget Detail (18 pts) Programmatic Capability and Past Performance (12 pts) Expenditure of Awarded Grant Funds (5 pts) Partnerships (20 pts) **OR** Disadvantaged Communities (20 pts)

Evaluation Criteria

1. Scope/Approach (20 pts)
2. Environmental Results/Outcomes (25 pts)
3. Budget Detail (18 pts)
4. Programmatic Capability and Past Performance (12 pts)
5. Expenditure of Awarded Grant Funds (5 pts)
6. Partnerships (20 pts) or Disadvantaged Communities (20 pts)

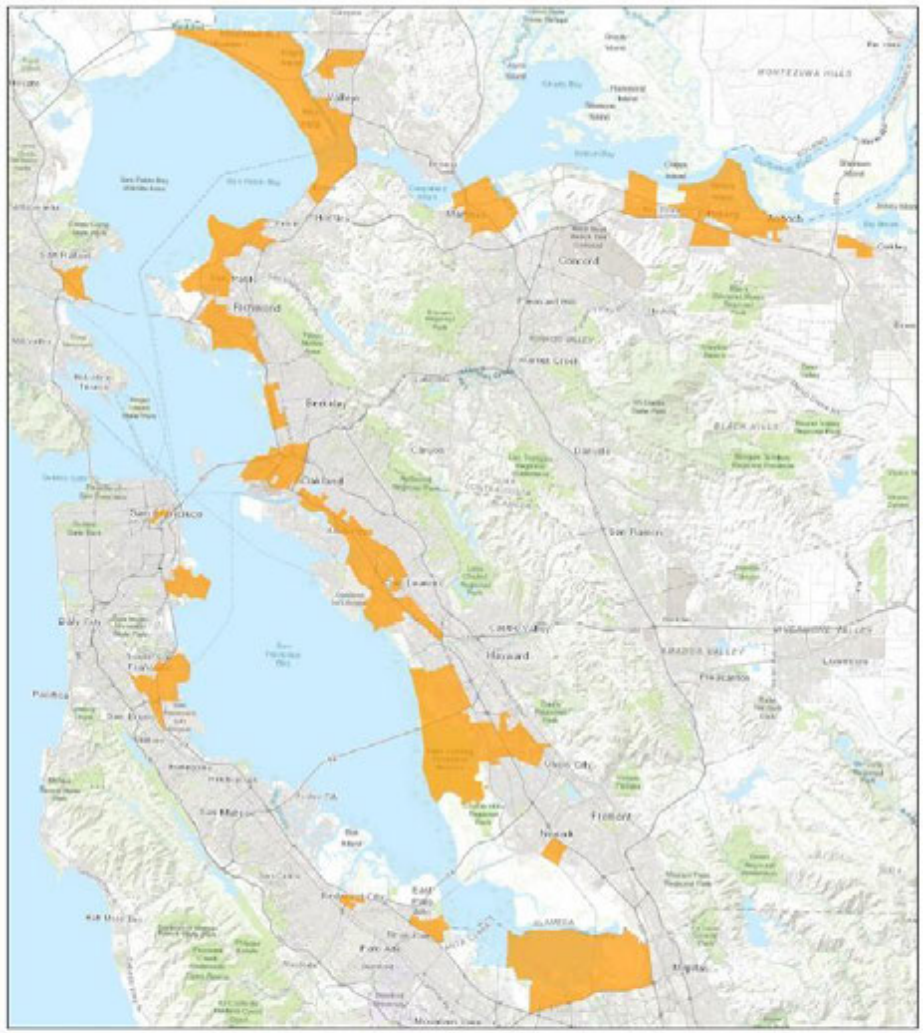
-Details on pages 15-17 of the RFA

Outputs & Outcomes

- Outputs = activities and/or deliverables
- **Outcomes** = environmental results
  - Outcomes must be quantified, and provide timeframe for expected results

- A description of how the project will track progress towards achieving outputs and outcomes is expected.

Disadvantaged Communities Criterion



Disadvantaged Communities Identification Map

for the San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund.

The map's highlighted areas have been derived from a combination of census tract areas identified by EJSCREEN and indicators for pollution burden and population characteristics identified by CalEnviroScreen v3.0.

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Your Proposal Submission

12 page narrative

- Abstract
- Project activities
- Environmental results
- Budget-Task Table
- Partners OR Disadvantaged Communities
- Linkage to SFEP's CCMP/Estuary Blueprint (Attachment A)

Not included in 12-page limit

- Map(s) of the watershed and/or proposed project area
- Letters of support
- Standard form (SF) 424
- SF 424 A – Budget Summary
- EPA Key Contacts Form 5700-54
- EPA Form 4700-4 – Pre-award Compliance Review Report

Grants.gov Directions in Attachment B

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Print Synopsis Details

General Information

Document Type:	Grants Notice	**Version:**	Synopsis 2
Funding Opportunity Number:	EPA-R9-SFBWQIF-20-01	**Posted Date:**	Feb 19, 2020
Funding Opportunity Title:	San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund	**Last Updated Date:**	Mar 20, 2020
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	**Original Closing Date for Applications:**	Apr 20, 2020 Please see Section IV of the announcement for additional submission information.
Opportunity Category Explanation:		**Current Closing Date for Applications:**	May 13, 2020 Please see Section IV of the announcement for additional submission information.
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement Grant	**Archive Date:**	Jun 12, 2020
Category of Funding Activity:	Environment	**Estimated Total Program Funding:**	$5,900,000

EXAMPLE Standard Form 424A

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY

Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal(EPA) (e)	**Non-Federal (f)**	Total (Project Cost) (g)
1. SFBWQIF	66.126	$	$	Amount applying for: $1,700,000	Put match here: $1,700,000	$3,400,000
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.TOTALS				$1,700,000	$1,700,000	$3,400,000

SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES

6. OBJECT CLASS CATEGORIES	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY				
	(1) Federal (EPA)	**(2) Match**	(3)	(4)	(5) Total
a. Personnel	$200,000	0	$	$	$200,000
b. Fringe Benefits	0	$90,000			$90,000
c. Travel	0	$10,000			$10,000
d. Equipment	$50,000	0			$50,000
e. Supplies	$5000	0			$5000
f. Contractual *(construction dollars typically go here)*	1,000,000	$1,500,000			$2,500,000
~~g. Construction~~	~~0~~	~~0~~ -	-	-	~~$0~~
h. Other	$445,000	$100,000			$545,000
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a - 6h)	0	0			$0
j. Indirect Charges	0	0			$0
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	$1,700,000	$1,700,000			$3,400,000

https://www.epa.gov/sfbay-delta/rfa-application-assistance-frequently-asked-questions

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RFA Application Assistance: Frequently Asked Questions

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This page and the above links are intended to assist 2020 RFA applicants with developing a proposal focused on achieving environmental results.

On this page:

- Overview
- TMDLs, Watershed and Green Infrastructure Plans

Reminders

- Identify your DUNS# early
- Describe your match in budget tables
- Budget-task table versus budget detail table
- Allowances under COVID-19 directives

What is the selection process?

Applications (proposals) due May 13

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EPA conducts threshold eligibility review

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EPA Review Committee will score and rank proposals

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EPA notifies applicants of funding status mid-June 2020

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Applicants submit full funding package to EPA June 30, 2020

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Grant awards expected August- Sept 2020

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Projects start!

Resources

- **EPA Grant Application Resources (SF 424, SF 424A)**

  http://www.epa.gov/ogd/AppKit/application.htm
- **EPA Website for grant solicitation provisions**

  https://www.epa.gov/grants/epa-grants-overview-applicants-and-recipients

  https://www.epa.gov/grants/epa-solicitation-clauses
- **San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund RFP, FAQ, Environmental Results, Project Info, Copy of webinar**

  http://www2.epa.gov/sfbay-delta/sf-bay-water-quality-improvement-fund
- **SFEP Comprehensive Conservation & Management Plan (also named the Estuary Blueprint)**

  http://www.sfestuary.org/about-the-estuary/documents-reports/

Q & A

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