Clean Water Capitalization Grant - Subsidy Funding

FY2015 Request: Reference No:

\$563,200 49698

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Water / Sewer / Solid Waste

Category: Health/Human Services

Location: Statewide House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40) Contact: Michelle Hale

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2019 Contact Phone: (907)269-6281

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

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Funding:	FY2015	<u>FY2016</u> _	<u>FY2017</u> _	FY2018	<u>FY2019</u> _	FY2020	Total
Clean Wtr	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$3,379,200
Total:	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$563,200	\$3,379,200

☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project 0% = Minimum State Match % Required	☐ Phased - new ☐ Amendment	☐ Phased - underway☑ On-Going☐ Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P63 L7 SB18 \$704,000

Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P113 L8 SB160 \$2,583,400

Sec1 Ch5 SLA2011 P81 L6 SB46 \$1,826,274

Sec1 Ch43 SLA2010 P23 L16 SB230 \$1,826,274

Project Description/Justification:

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Without authorization this federal year to issue these subsidies, the department will not be eligible to receive this funding and will be unable to award loan funds and principal forgiveness in FY2015.