



Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program

Amendment to SFY 22 SDWLP Intended Use Plan

Program Overview with Questions & Answers



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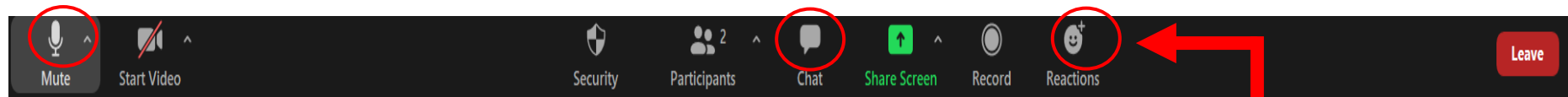
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Objectives

- Briefly describe the program
- Detail changes to scoring criteria
- Confirm application & PERF deadlines
- Answer questions



Program Overview

- At least \$32 million in funding is available for CY 2022. Exact amount should be known in January.
- All funding awarded as principal forgiveness; no debt is incurred.
- Any municipality that has reported private LSLs to the PSC is eligible to apply.
- Funds must be awarded to the municipality, not the water utility.
- Awards cover private side replacements only and are made for one construction season at a time.
- Funding is for properties containing residences, plus schools & child daycares.

Program Overview (cont'd)

- Program covers private side service lines composed of lead, brass, or galvanized materials that are or have been downstream of lead components, as well as lead goosenecks.
- Only the portion between the curb stop and the normal connection point inside the home is eligible, regardless of whether the homeowner owns the entire line.
- All replacements must result in full LSL replacement from watermain to the normal connection point inside the home.

Determining Award Amounts

- If utilizing a Prequalified List of Contractors, awards will be based on the following:
 - Estimated # of LSLs that can be removed in one construction season
 - Average cost of LSL removal in your municipality
 - Whether cost-sharing by property owners will be required (a municipal decision)
- If replacements are bid through a Municipal Contract, the award will be based on the eligible contract amount, minus any homeowner cost-sharing.



Eligible Costs for Reimbursement

- All necessary construction costs for the removal of the private LSL.
- Up to \$5,000 for engineering & administrative support is only available for small systems (municipal population under 3,300).
- Up to \$5,000 for costs related to developing a mandatory replacement ordinance is available to all applicants.
- Excess replacements completed in 2021 by program participants.

Federal Requirements

- **Davis-Bacon & Related Acts** – applies in certain situations.
- **American Iron & Steel or Buy America** – Buy America will most likely apply & will cover manufactured goods & construction materials in addition to iron & steel.
- **DBE solicitation** – applies when bidding, issuing RFQ, or subcontracting.
- **Taxability of grant funds** – these are not taxable funds for homeowner based on IRS’ “General Welfare” exception.
- **Environmental Review** required.

Priority Scoring Criteria

- **Poverty Percentage:** Using data from the American Community Survey (ACS), the percent of a municipality's population below 200% of the federal poverty level will generate points equal to the percentage, adjusted to the nearest whole number.
- **Percent of Population Under Age 5:** Using data from the ACS, the percent of a municipality's population under the age of five will generate points as follows:
 - Up to 2.5% = 5 points
 - Greater than 2.5% up to 5% = 10 points
 - Greater than 5% up to 7.5% = 15 points
 - Greater than 7.5% up to 10% = 20 points
 - Greater than 10% = 25 points

Priority Scoring (cont'd)

- **Lead Sampling Results or Large System Optimization:** Two ways to receive pts. Applicant will receive pts. for highest scoring subcategory, not additive pts. for each subcategory they score in. The most one applicant may score in this category is 30 pts.
 - **90th Percentile Lead Levels:** Water systems with 90th percentile result of 5 $\mu\text{g/L}$ or greater in the past 10 yrs. are eligible for points. The breakdowns are as follows:
 - Greater than 15 $\mu\text{g/L}$ = 30 points
 - Greater than 10 $\mu\text{g/L}$ up to 15 $\mu\text{g/L}$ = 20 points
 - 5 $\mu\text{g/L}$ up to 10 $\mu\text{g/L}$ = 10 points
 - **Systems with Large Service Populations:** Water systems that serve a population of greater than 50,000 individuals are eligible for 20 points.

Priority Scoring (cont'd)

- **Mandatory Replacement Ordinance:** 10 pts.
- **Municipal Population:** Tiebreaker only, with the smaller population receiving priority.
- **Whether all remaining LSLs can be removed in the upcoming construction season:** 20 pts.
This will be evaluated using the following criteria:
 - Whether a mandatory LSL replacement ordinance has been adopted.
 - The status of inventory efforts & reporting of inventory to the PSC.
 - The detailed plan for removing all LSLs.

Program Deadlines

- **January 18, 2022** – LSL Application (form 8700-382) & Priority Evaluation & Ranking Form (PERF) (form 8700-383) deadline for submittal.
- **February 11, 2022** – last date for 2021 program participants to submit Request for Disbursement (form 8700-366) for excess costs incurred in 2021.
- **December 30, 2022** – last date to submit Request for Disbursement (form 8700-366) for costs incurred in 2022.

Further Information

- **Private LSL Replacement Program Webpage:**
https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/documents/EIF/privat_eLSLreplacementFundingProgram.html
- **DNR's Drinking Water & Lead Webpage:**
<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/DrinkingWater/lead.html>
- **Dept. of Health Lead Safe Wisconsin Webpage:**
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/lead/index.htm>
- **Submit comments on LSL Amendment to SDWLP SFY 2022 Intended Use Plan by November 30, 2021 to:**
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Questions?

