



**Water Quality Improvement Fund Grant  
FY17 Request for Application  
Questions and Answers**

**Applicants should not rely on any other statements that alter an specification or other term or condition of the RFA except as it appears below.**

Question	Answer
<b>Administrative</b>	
The Water Quality Improvement Fund Grant is a grant and not a loan correct?	Yes, this program is a grant and not a loan. It is open for submissions until 2:00 pm MST, on Friday, October 14.
The IUP is a complete separate source of funding. And you must be identified on Appendix B to apply and it is a loan. Correct?	The Intended Use Plans are applicable to the Colorado Drinking Water Revolving Fund loan program and the Colorado Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund loan program.
Is the grant on the notice related to the Small Communities Grant in any way?	This grant is not related to the Small Community Grant program.
The below information indicates that funding is "anticipated to begin Feb. 1, 2016." Did it begin then, or should that be 2017?	The funding period listed is incorrect for the Category 2 and Category 3 sections. These should read "The funding period is anticipated to begin February 1, 2017 not to exceed June 30, 2019."
What is "Proof of Authority" you are requesting and where do I get that?	The attached is a sample signature authority document.
<b>Eligibility</b>	
This grant is NOT related to the eligibility survey for the Intended Use Plans (IUP). Correct?	This grant is not related to the IUP with one exception. Projects applying under Category 3; Priority 1, 2, and 3 must be listed in the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan.
I just wanted to clarify: the Category 3 criteria seem to imply that eligible stormwater projects <u>and</u> domestic WWTF must be already listed on the Intended Use Plan - is this correct?	Projects applying under Category 3; Priority 1, 2, and 3 must be listed in the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan.
Would upgrades of a water system including a new water storage tank fit the parameters of this grant?	Water system upgrades are not eligible under the Water Quality Improvement Fund grant as they do not improve the water quality in the water supply or water body.
Is a government entity undertaking the design and construction of a new wastewater treatment facility, which is being required as a result of a change in the stream standards, eligible for the grant if they do not have any historical WQIF penalties contained within their county? Please note that the subject community is listed on the WPCRF IUP for 2016 and relisted the project for 2017.	The project may be eligible for funding through the Water Quality Improvement Fund grant under Category 3, Priority 3 as there have not been violations in the community or the water body. The project would be prioritized and ranked based upon the criteria within the RFA.
Is a government entity undertaking the design and construction of a new/amended wastewater treatment facility, which is being required as a result of the facility leaking beyond the state's allowable seepage rate, eligible for the grant if they do not have any historical WQIF penalties contained within their county? Please note that the subject communities are listed on the WPCRF IUP for 2016 and relisted the project for 2017.	The project may be eligible for funding through the Water Quality Improvement Fund grant under Category 3, Priority 3 as there have not been violations in the community or the water body. The project would be prioritized and ranked based upon the criteria within the RFA.

**<Insert Entity's Letterhead>  
Sample Signature Authority Letter**

**Date**

**(insert name of entity)** exists as a non-profit corporate entity and as such does not have a President or Vice-President, but instead is governed by a Board of Directors. In addition, **(insert name of entity)** operates under the leadership of **(insert name of individual signing the contract)**, our Executive Director. **(insert name of individual signing the contract)** has the authority to sign contracts on behalf of **(insert name of entity)** which are binding

**Signature**

**Print Name**

**Board President**  
**Title**