

# STATE OF ALASKA

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

## DIVISION OF WATER MUNICIPAL GRANTS & LOANS PROGRAM

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Dear Utility:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's **Alaska Clean Water Fund (ACWF)** loan fund program is asking for questionnaires for projects to be placed on the State's Fiscal Year 2012 Intended Use Plan (IUP). The ACWF program provides loans up to 100% of project costs to municipalities that can finance planning, design, and construction for the following type projects:

### **Clean Water**

- Sewerage Systems
- Wastewater Plants
- Compliance
- Sludge Handling
- Security
- Equipment
- Upgrades /Replacements

### **Non-Point Source**

- Landfills (closure or expansion)
- Source Water Protection
- Harbors and Docks Waste Handling
- Water Body Rehabilitation
- Contamination/Remediation
- Restoration – Stewardship
- Stormwater

Program terms and interest rates for 5 to 20 year term and 1 to 5 year term loans are 1.5% and 1%, respectively.

As started in last year's solicitation process, there will be the opportunity to submit questionnaires for "Green" projects. Similar to last year's solicitation process, communities can now on an on-going basis submit projects under the same criteria for Green as was done for an ARRA (American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009) funded project. There may also be a possibility of a subsidy offered for these types of projects; however, this will be dependent on final Congressional legislation which is expected soon.

The project questionnaire can be filled out and submitted electronically. Enclosed is a guidance document that will help you navigate through the necessary steps to complete the on-line questionnaire. Access to the on-line questionnaires may be found at the following link:

<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/muniloan/onlineQuestionnaires.htm>

Please complete and submit a questionnaire for each project you wish considered for funding assistance under the loan program. If you encounter difficulties accessing or completing the on-line questionnaire, please contact John Randolph in Juneau at 465-5307 for assistance.

Completed questionnaires must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. February 14, 2010** to be considered for funding. Questionnaires received early place higher in the ranking order than questionnaires with the same score that are received later.

If you have questions about the program or need technical assistance in filling out the questionnaire, feel free to contact me in Anchorage at 269-7616.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Mike Lewis  
Program Manager

Enclosures: SFY12 On-Line Questionnaire Guidance Document