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Solid Waste Management Grant Program

Purpose: To evaluate current landfill conditions to determine threats to water resources. Provide technical assistance and/or training to enhance operator skills in the operation and maintenance of active landfills. Provide technical assistance and/or training to help communities reduce the solid waste stream. Provide technical assistance and/or training for operators of landfills which are closed or will be closed in the near future with the development and implementation of closure plans, future land use plans, safety and maintenance planning, and closure scheduling within permit requirements.

Eligibility:

Entities eligible for Solid Waste Management (SWM) grants are:

- Private nonprofit organizations with tax exempt status designated by the Internal Revenue Service. A nonprofit organization is defined as any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization that:
 - Is operated primarily for scientific, education, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest.
 - Is not organized primarily for profit.
 - Uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.
 - Public bodies.
 - Federally acknowledged or State recognized Native American tribe or group.
 - Academic institutions.
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- Entities must be legally established and located within a state as defined in 1775.2.
 - Organizations must be incorporated by December 31 of the year the application period occurs to be eligible for funds.
 - Private businesses, Federal agencies, and individuals are ineligible for these grants.

Applicants must also have the proven ability, background, experience, as evidenced by the organization's satisfactory completion of project(s) similar to those proposed; legal authority; and actual capacity to provide technical assistance and/or training on a regional basis to associations as provided in 1775.63. Associations are defined as an entity, including a small city or town, that is eligible for Rural Utilities Service (RUS) water and waste financial assistance in accordance with RUS Regulation 1780, part 7. To meet the requirement of actual capacity, an applicant must either:

- Have the necessary resources to provide technical assistance and/or training to associations in rural areas through its staff, or
- Be assisted by an affiliate or member organization which has such background and experience and which agrees, in writing, that it will provide the assistance, or
- Contract with a nonaffiliated organization for not more than 49 percent of the grant to provide the proposed assistance.

Applications will be accepted from October 1 through December 31 of each calendar year. Applications may be hand-delivered to the State Office by close of business December 31, or postmarked by midnight December 31 to be considered submitted on time. Applications received after December 31 will NOT be considered in that year's review and will be returned to the applicant.

Requirements:

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- Interest Rates

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Technical Assistance and Training Grants

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Objectives:

The objectives of the Technical Assistance and Training Grant Program are to:

1. Identify and evaluate solutions to water and waste disposal problems in rural areas.
2. Assist applicants in preparing applications for water and waste grants made at the State level offices.
3. Improve operation and maintenance of existing water and waste disposal facilities in rural areas.

NOTE: Rural areas are defined as any area not in a city or town with a population in excess of 10,000, according to the latest decennial census of the United States.

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Eligibility: (for more information, See Eligibility Section 1775.35).

(a) Entities eligible for grants must be **private nonprofit** organizations with tax exempt status, designated by the Internal Revenue Service. A nonprofit organization is defined as any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization that:

1. Is operated primarily for scientific, education, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest.
2. Is not organized primarily for profit.
3. Uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.

(b) Entities must be legally established and located within a state as defined in § 1775.2.

(c) Organizations must be incorporated by December 31 of the year the application period occurs to be eligible for funds.

(d) Private businesses, Federal agencies, public bodies, and individuals are ineligible for these grants.

(e) Applicants must also have the proven ability; background; experience, as evidenced by the organization's satisfactory completion of project(s) similar to those proposed; legal authority; and actual capacity to provide technical assistance and/or training on a regional basis to associations as provided in **§ 1775.63**. Associations are defined as an entity, including a small city or town, that is eligible for Rural Utilities Service (RUS) water and waste financial assistance in accordance with **RUS Regulation 1780, part 7**. To meet the requirement of actual capacity, an applicant must either:

1. Have the necessary resources to provide technical assistance and/or