Emergency Grant Program

Oklahoma Water Resources Board Financial Assistance Division

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Statutory Restrictions

- \$100,000 maximum per project per applicant during any fiscal year
- Emergency situation—defined as a life, health or property threatening situation
- Applicant cannot reasonably finance the project without assistance from the OWRB

Eligible Entities

- Counties
- Towns and municipalities
- Public Works Authorities
- School districts
- Districts formed under Title 82 of the State's statutes as follows:
 - Rural water districts
 - Water conservancy districts
 - Rural sewage districts
 - Irrigation districts

Eligible Projects

- Water supply reservoirs
- Storage tanks
- Water supply and distribution systems
- Water treatment systems
- Wastewater treatment systems
- Wastewater collection systems



Priority Point Procedure

The "Grant Priority Evaluation Policy" (120 points maximum) is used to distribute grant funds, using the following criteria:

- Nature of emergency (50 Points maximum)
- Water and sewer rates (13 Points maximum)
- Monthly debt payment (10 points maximum)
- Local contribution (10 points maximum)
- Median household income (10 points maximum)
- Applicant's ability to finance the project (12 points maximum)
- Amount of grant requested (Points vary from -5 points over \$94,999 to +10 points for \$25,000 or less.)
- Benefit to other systems (5 points maximum)
- Application number (up to 14 point deduction)

Applications that receive 60 or more points are placed on the grant Priority List. Applications are then recommended for approval to the Board when all other funding sources are secured and adequate grant funds are available for obligation.



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