

Virginia Department of Health Funding

VDH is Accepting Applications for 2011 Funding

Construction Grants

The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) accepts application for construction grants/loans each year; the applications are due on **April 2, 2010**.

A few things are different this year:

- **More money is available!** Usually VDH has about \$8 or \$9 million available – **this year there is \$23 million available.**
- Certain VDH programs – that are funded with state funds (as opposed to EPA funds) - **may not be funded this year due to the limited state budget.** They are:
 - Surface Water Development/Improvement Grants
 - Small Construction Project Grants
 - State-funded Planning Grants (Note: You may want to monitor VDH's website to see if any of these programs are funded because, if funding is available, the Surface Water Development Grants and the Small Project Construction grant applications are also due on April 2nd.)
- Davis Bacon Wage Act Wages and Buy American will apply to all projects.
- There is a "green reserve"; VDH has to apply 20% of the money toward projects that conserve energy or have some sort of "green" aspect.

Economic Stimulus Funds

If new economic stimulus/recovery funds, similar to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, are made available, VDH intends to use the 2011 solicitation process for the submission and evaluation of projects potentially eligible for funding. Waterworks who wish to be considered for any Economic Stimulus/Recovery Funds (should any be made available) must apply under this 2011 Funding Solicitation.

A couple of items that need to be kept keep in mind:

- Applications **MUST** be accompanied by a resolution from the local government endorsing the application.
- Construction applications **MUST** be accompanied by a PER and the PER has to be submitted and eventually approved by the local VDH.

You can find more information at the VDH website at <http://www.vdh.state.va.us/drinkingwater/financial/> or by calling 804-864-7500.



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