

**WAC 246-296-030 Administration.** (1) The department shall:

(a) Apply for and receive the DWSRF grant from EPA;

(b) Manage the use of DWSRF set-aside funds for regulatory purposes and technical assistance to public water systems as authorized under the SDWA;

(c) Annually develop ranking values for the criteria under WAC 246-296-130 by assigning the highest value to proposed projects that resolve the most significant public health problems;

(d) Provide guidance to public water systems before the yearly application cycle begins;

(e) Publish the ranking values in the funding application package;

(f) Determine public water system and project eligibility for DWSRF loans;

(g) Develop lists of proposed projects for DWSRF loans in priority order; and

(h) Submit the IUP to EPA.

(2) The department shall include the following information in the IUP:

(a) The DWSRF loan fee account;

(b) The current fee; and

(c) The account balance.

(3) The department shall select projects to receive DWSRF funding based on the criteria under WAC 246-296-140.

(4) The department shall:

(a) Require borrowers to comply with the terms of their DWSRF loan agreements;

(b) Manage DWSRF loan finances, including fiscal tracking and billing; and

(c) Verify that accounting, audit, and fiscal procedures conform to applicable federal government regulations.

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