

**WAC 246-296-070 Eligible projects and project-related costs.**

(1) Projects eligible for a DWSRF loan include those that:

- (a) Address or prevent violations of applicable federal, state, and local drinking water requirements;
- (b) Replace aging infrastructure to help a public water system comply with applicable federal, state, and local drinking water requirements to improve public health protection;
- (c) Improve system capacity of a public water system to help assure sustainable drinking water;
- (d) Promote increased water or energy efficiency, green projects, or innovation that will improve environmental sustainability and protect public health; or
- (e) Respond to an emergency.

(2) Specific project-related costs eligible for a DWSRF loan include, but are not limited to, those that:

- (a) Improve a public water system's treatment, transmission, distribution, source, or storage;
- (b) Restructure water supplies or public water systems that have system capacity difficulties;
- (c) Retroactively finance municipal projects that:
  - (i) Are for surface water treatment;
  - (ii) Address groundwater under the direct influence of surface water;
  - (iii) Address volatile organic or inorganic chemicals; or
  - (iv) Are required by department or EPA order;
- (d) Acquire real property if needed to meet or maintain compliance with regulations or increase public health protection;
- (e) Pay for planning or design that is directly related to a DWSRF eligible project;
- (f) Finance the costs of restructuring for a publicly owned public water system;
- (g) Acquire, build, or repair reservoirs, including clear wells, that are part of the treatment process and located on the same property as the treatment facility;
- (h) Acquire, build, or repair distribution reservoirs; or
- (i) Are associated with a department-approved green project.

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