

Fact Sheet: Emerging Contaminants Funding

The Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank (RIIB) is dedicated to assisting communities in tackling emerging challenges in water infrastructure. We are excited to announce the availability of low- to no-cost funds specifically allocated for Emerging Contaminants projects.



Below are the details of the two funding sources:

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Emerging Contaminants SRF Funding (DWSRF EC)

[Link to EPA Program Information](#)

Projects aiming to address emerging contaminants, particularly perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), prioritizing drinking water treatment and related activities.

Eligible projects include research, planning, system consolidation, and technical assistance, focusing on improving water quality through targeted interventions.

Emerging Contaminants–Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Funding (EC–SDC)

[Link to EPA Program Information](#)

Projects targeting emerging contaminants, including PFAS and other EPA identified contaminants, emphasizing a broad approach including research, planning, public engagement, and education.

Eligible activities cover drinking water treatment, system creation, and community access initiatives, aiming for comprehensive water quality improvement and community involvement.

Eligible Projects

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Details of the two funding sources (continued):

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Emerging Contaminants SRF Funding (DWSRF EC)	Emerging Contaminants–Small and Disadvantaged Communities Grant Funding (EC–SDC)
Eligible Entities » Privately- and publicly-owned community water systems » Non-profit non-community water systems	» Privately- and publicly-owned community water systems » Non-profit non-community water systems » System must serve under 10,000 people; or » Disadvantaged: Affordability Criteria
Funding » 100% Principal Forgiveness Loans » 25% of program funds reserved for disadvantaged and small systems (serving under 25,000 people)	» 100% Grant Funding for small and disadvantaged communities
Application » General Application: Link » Small Drinking Water Systems (serving under 10,000 people): Link	» Grant Application: Link
RIDOH Process The Rhode Island Department of Health will require: » Project Priority List application » Environmental assessments » Preliminary engineering plans » Certificate of Approval application	The Rhode Island Department of Health will require: » Environmental assessments » Preliminary engineering plans

RIIB is committed to supporting communities in addressing critical water infrastructure needs and ensuring safe and reliable drinking water for all residents. We encourage you to seize this funding opportunity and look forward to the possibility of collaborating with you on these essential projects.



All financing applications will undergo review and approval by RIIB’s Board of Directors and are subject to the availability of funds.