

Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

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Background

- California allocated some of its federal coronavirus stimulus funds to utility bill debt relief programs
- Unpaid bills incurred March 2020 – June 2021 were eligible

CWWAPP (Water/Wastewater Program)

- Administered by State Water Resources Control Board
- Water program was undersubscribed
- Wastewater program currently underway

CAPP (Power Program)

- Administered by Community Services & Development
- Applies to municipal utilities (Hetch Hetchy), Community Choice Aggregators (CleanPowerSF), and investor-owned utilities
- Program was oversubscribed



Received Funding (\$ Millions)

| Enterprise | Total |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Water | \$7.3M |
| Hetch Hetchy Power | \$1.2M |
| CleanPowerSF | \$2.4M |
| Total (\$M) | \$10.9M |

- Commercial and Residential amounts were applied to customer accounts to pay off delinquent bills
- Discount amount in water and wastewater were applied to customer accounts to offset cost of both normal and emergency discount programs during the eligible period

Timeline of Funds

Fall 2021

- SFPUC submits applications for power and water
- SFPUC Commission approves Accept & Expend Resolution of an amount “up to” \$10.6M for water and power

Winter 2022

- December-March: Water and power applications under review
- March 2022: funds received and distributed for water and power

Spring 2022

- April: Wastewater program details released, and application was submitted and approved

Recommendation

- Funds for water and power were approved for the SFPUC to accept through an Accept & Expend Resolution passed by the Commission on November 23, 2021
- An additional Retroactive Accept & Expend Resolution for wastewater is expected to go before the Commission in June 2022
- **Recommended Action: that the Budget & Finance Committee recommends the Board of Supervisors pass the Accept & Expend Resolutions for water and power**

Questions?