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Subject: Notice of Suspension of State Water Board General Obligation (GO) Bond Grants

To: Tim Brick <[tbrick@email.com](mailto:tbrick@email.com)>

This is a message from the State Water Resources Control Board.

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This is to notify you that the State Water Resources Control Board has been directed by the Department of Finance (via Budget Letter 08-33, available on-line at: [http://www.dof.ca.gov/budgeting/budget\\_letters/documents/BL08-33.pdf](http://www.dof.ca.gov/budgeting/budget_letters/documents/BL08-33.pdf)) to freeze/suspend all new GO bond invoices and commitments.

Propositions 13, 40, 50 and 84 invoices will be put on hold immediately and no new commitments (grant agreements) will be formalized. If you have a 319(h) funded project or a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program project, these will continue as normal.

\*\* If you have questions please contact your Grant Manager after Monday, December 22, 2008.

Below is specific language from the BL 08-33 that relates to what is stated above (please take note of #4).

Portion of Budget Letter 08-33: PROJECT SUSPENSION AND FREEZES

Effective immediately, all state entities that have expenditure control and oversight of General Obligation and lease revenue bond programs shall:

1. Cease authorizing any new grants or obligations for bond projects, including new phases for existing projects.
2. Suspend all projects, excluding those for which Department of Finance (DOF) authorizes an exemption based on criteria described unless the contracting entity can continue with non-state funding sources (private, local, or federal funds).
3. Freeze all disbursements on AB 55 loans that were not authorized nor submitted to the Controller for payment prior to December 17, 2008.
4. Instruct all grant or loan recipients not to enter into any new construction, other agreements or contracts that would be funded from AB 55 loans.

Thank you,  
Division of Financial Assistance  
State Water Resources Control Board

\*\* If you are unable to contact your Grant Manager during the holidays, questions may be e-mailed to [DFA\\_grants@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:DFA_grants@waterboards.ca.gov).