

State of Oregon  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
Land Use Evaluation Statement

## Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Use of Federal Funds

**1. Explain the purpose of the proposed rules.**

This rulemaking amends specific administrative rules within OAR Chapter 340, Division 54. Revisions are needed to address federal provisions included with recent congressional appropriation that provides an annual grant to Oregon's Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan program through the Environmental Protection Agency.

Specifically, the rulemaking will allow the Department of Environmental Quality to provide borrowers additional subsidization by offering principal forgiveness. The revisions will also establish a 20% set-aside of federal funding for a green projects reserve that addresses sustainable water quality improvement projects. Actual loan awards will depend on the availability of program funds and funding priorities as established in rule.

**2. Do the proposed rules affect existing rules, programs or activities that are considered land use programs in the DEQ State Agency Coordination (SAC) Program?**

Yes  No

**a. If yes, identify existing program/rule/activity:**

Oregon administrative rule OAR 340-018-0030(5)(b) identifies the approval of a state revolving loan application as one of the Department of Environmental Quality's programs and actions determined to have significant effects on land use.

**b. If yes, do the existing statewide goal compliance and local plan compatibility procedures adequately cover the proposed rules?**

Yes  No  (if no, explain):

**c. If no, apply the following criteria to the proposed rules.**

NA

**3. If the proposed rules have been determined a land use program under 2. above, but are not subject to existing land use compliance and compatibility procedures, explain the new procedures the Department will use to ensure compliance and compatibility.**

If adopted, the program changes resulting from this rulemaking will be subject to existing land use compliance and compatibility procedures. No new compliance procedures will be needed.