# **Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program**

Five Year Strategic Plan

**July 1, 2011 – June 2016** 

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Program Name: Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program

Program Authorization: La. R.S. 30:2001 et seq., La. R.S. 30:2078-2088, La. R.S.

30:2011 (A)(3) and (D)(23), PL-92-500, Clean Water Act, As Amended PL-100-4, 1987, Amendments to Clean Water Act

#### Vision

The health and welfare of the citizens and the environment of the state of Louisiana will benefit from the assistance provided by the Revolving Fund. The principal clients and users of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program are eligible borrowers who operate sewage treatment facilities in the state. These borrowers benefit from low interest financing to make improvements to their wastewater treatment systems.

### Mission

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program, administered by the Business and Community Outreach Division in conjunction with the Financial Services Division, strives to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state, as well as to enhance the environment of the state by providing financial assistance to eligible borrowers for construction of wastewater treatment facilities.

### **Philosophy**

Through these programs, DEQ strives to provide financial assistance to as many eligible systems as possible. Through effective management, the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program (CWSRF) will provide sustainable financial assistance for wastewater infrastructure needs.

#### Goal

To protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state, as well as to enhance the environment of the state, by providing financial assistance to eligible borrowers for construction of new wastewater treatment facilities and improving existing facilities.

## **Objective 1:**

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program, through the business and community outreach activity in conjunction with the financial and administrative services activity, will provide financial assistance in support of municipal wastewater treatment systems through the processing of loan applications and making loans for construction of new or upgraded facilities July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

### **State Outcome Goal: Natural Resources**

This activity advances the state outcome goal of Natural Resources State Outcome Goal to protect human health, to improve the water quality including the viability of Louisiana's rivers, lakes and groundwater and promoting economic development by providing below market rate loans on eligible wastewater municipal projects.

## **Strategies:**

- 1.1 Manage EPA funds and program resources to provide maximum benefit.
- 1.2 Process engineering reviews, environmental reviews, financial reviews, and payment requests in a timely manner to keep projects on schedule.
- 1.3 Provide information/education to communities to stimulate interest in the programs.
- 1.4 Provide SRF loans to qualifying applicants.

## **Performance Indicator:**

Efficiency: Percentage of loan applications reviewed within 60 business days of receipt.