# **Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program**

Five Year Strategic Plan

July 1, 2014 – June 2019

Agency Number: 21-860

Program Name: Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program

Program Authorization: La. R.S. 30:2001 et seq., La. R.S. 30:2301, 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 mission of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program is to uphold Title VI of the federal Clean Water Act and to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state, as well as to enhance the environment of the state by administering the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

## **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 improvement and/or construction of wastewater treatment facilities. DEQ is committed to supporting the three major objectives found in Title VI of the Clean Water Act; these are:

- 1. Construction of publicly owned treatment works (Section 212)
- 2. Implementing a management program (Section 319); and
- 3. Developing and implementing a conservation and management plan (Section 320).

## **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 review 100% of the loan applications and associated documents processed within 30 days of receipt July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019.

## **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: Percent of loan applications and associated documents processed within 30 days

of receipt.