



Strategic Partnership Application Form Project Identification

To be considered for a Strategic Partnership, complete and e-mail this form to efratt@mojavewater.org no later than March 25, 2024. Items with an asterisk are required. Awards from this program will be distributed beginning July 1, 2024. All monies awarded must be spent by June 2, 2025 and all receipts must be submitted by June 13, 2025. We will announce awards around June 1, 2024 (pending board approval). The grant application process has been updated. Read and complete the entire application carefully.

This program is for the reimbursement of materials only. We will not reimburse labor hours, gas, or mileage. However, the cost for work done by an outside contractor, their gas, or mileage may be reimbursed. Please submit this document with your organization's initials listed first in the document title. Example: MWA_Strategic_Partnership_App_2024-2025.doc

PART 1: LEAD IMPLEMENTING AGENCY/ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

Please provide the following information regarding the project sponsor and proposed project.

Implementing Agency/ Organization: *

Agency / Organization Address:

Contact Name: *

Title:

Telephone: *

Fax:

Email: *

Project Name: *

Is this a continuation of a current project: Yes No

For Office Use Only:	Amount Approved: _____ Approval Signature: _____ Date: _____
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PART 2: PROJECT DESCRIPTION*

A general description of the proposed project is needed. This section will provide information associated with the project concept, general project information, and readiness to proceed.

Please provide a 1-2 paragraph description of the project including the general project concept, what will be constructed/implemented, how the constructed project will function, and treatment methods, as appropriate.

PART 3: PROJECT BENEFITS*

Please provide a 1-2 paragraph description of the benefit(s) that the project will address. Information provided will be used in the assessment of project benefits. Quantify benefits to the extent possible.

PART 4: PROJECT COST ESTIMATE*

Project cost information is needed to assist in comparing benefits and costs.

Please indicate the estimated total capital cost for project implementation. These costs include land purchase/easement, planning/design/engineering, construction/implementation, environmental compliance, administration, and contingency.

Will this be a multiyear project: Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes how many years do you expect the project to last: _____

Design Life of Project (years): _____

Amount Requested for the project for the Current FY (\$): _____

***Cannot exceed \$25,000 – If applying for more than one project, the total amount per agency/district cannot exceed \$25,000.**

_____ **Goal 2** Manage water resources through or in conjunction with the State Water Project to meet future demands while maintaining independence during periods of water shortages.

Describe how your project supports this goal:

_____ **Goal 3** Coordinate efforts to maintain adequate water quality so that groundwater is safe for drinking, and other beneficial uses.

Describe how your project supports this goal:

_____ **Goal 4** Develop public awareness so that individuals and stakeholder organizations support our efforts and understand their role in contributing to the Agency's mission.

Describe how your project supports this goal:

_____ **Goal 5** Advance scientific understanding of the region's water resources to support efficient management of water resources.

Describe how your project supports this goal:

_____ **Goal 6** Promote efficient use of the region's water resources through regional conservation programs.

Describe how your project supports this goal:

PART 7: PRESENTATION (NEW)

To streamline the Strategic Partners program, there will be added components to the process to ensure funding is being distributed efficiently, effectively and in alignment with MWA's goals and objectives.

- Once the applications have been accepted, the process will move forward to the review stage through a designated Strategic Partnerships Panel. The panel will carefully review each application and assess the project's feasibility, benefit(s) to the community, conservation focus, budget, and compatibility with MWA's goals. The panel will have the opportunity to ask questions if any portion of the application needs more clarification. The Panel will be selected by Mojave Water Agency and will not have an affiliation with any certain water district, business, or community group.
- If the selected applications that match the necessary criteria exceed the budgeted amount, the applying agency/district/community group will be invited to present their project to the Strategic Partner Panel with a visual representation (i.e. PowerPoint). This is an opportunity for the Strategic Partners applicants to tell the story behind the project beyond the application and an opportunity for discussion. The application contact does not have to be the presenting representative from your agency/district/community group.
- Mojave Water Agency will notify the contact listed on the application with a funding decision with an award letter as well as notify any projects that were not approved for funding at this time.

If you have any questions regarding any steps in this process, please contact Elizabeth Fratt at efratt@mojavewater.org or call 760-946-7054.

