



State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance

SB 445's SITE CLEANUP SUBACCOUNT PROGRAM

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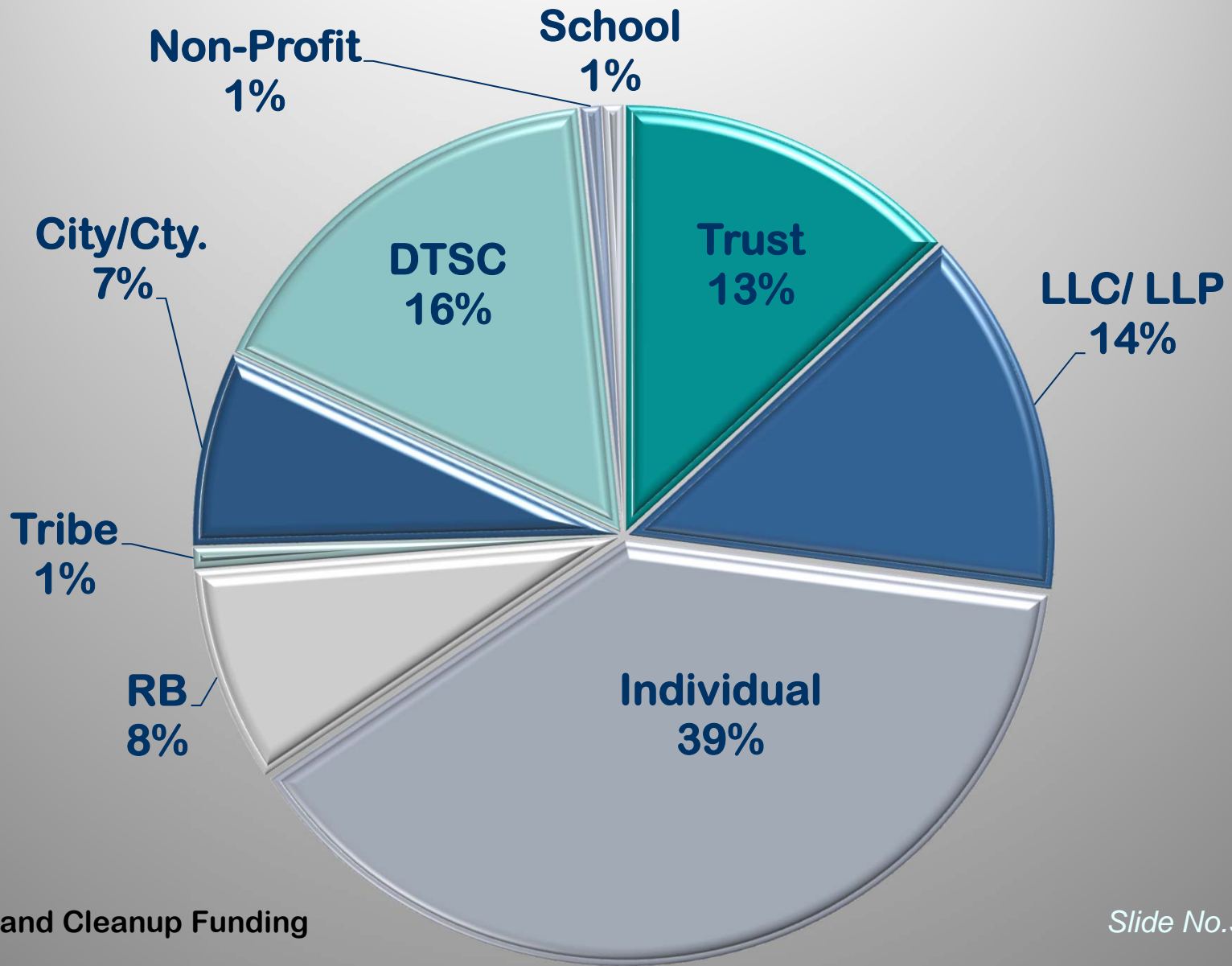
Brownfields Funding Webinar

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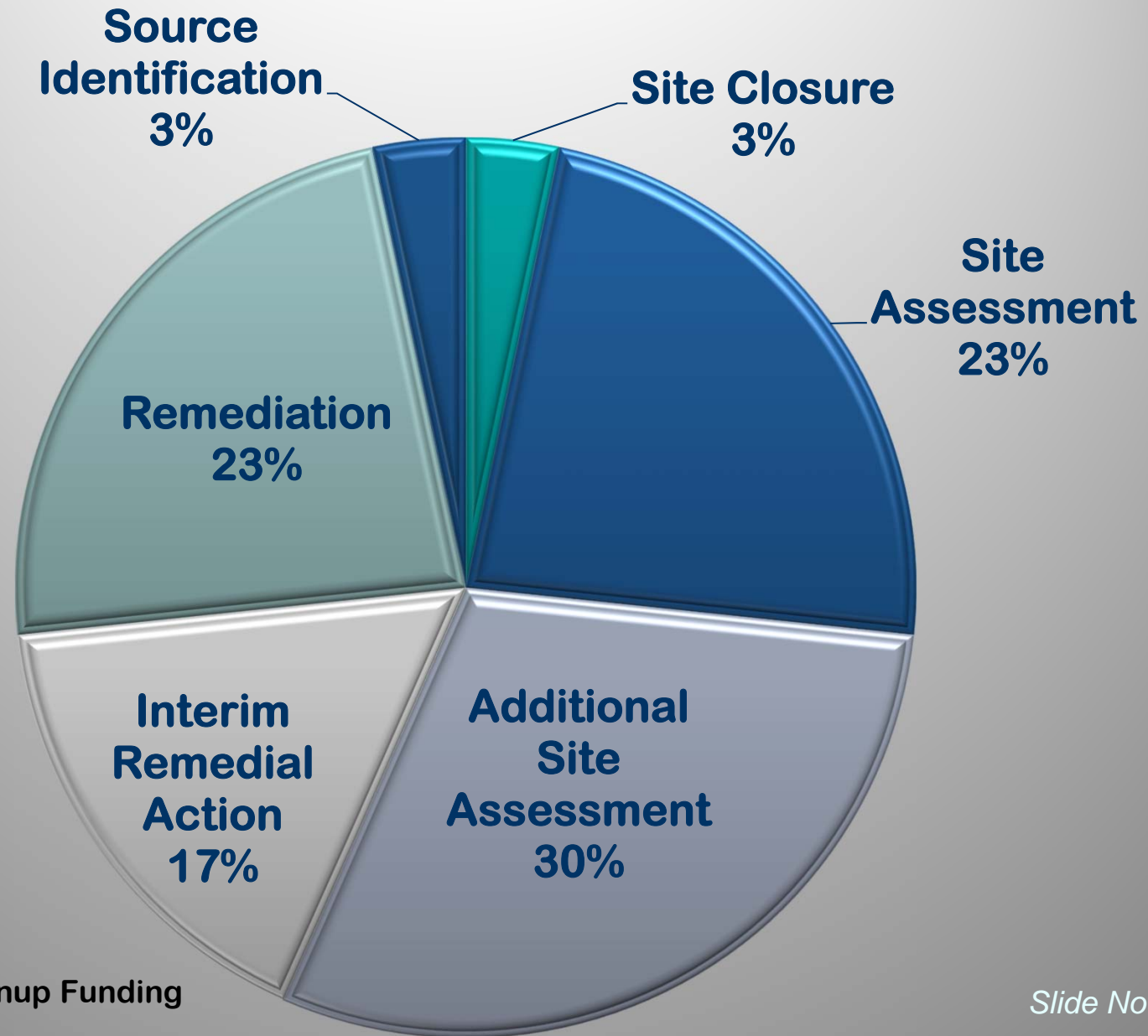
Senate Bill 445 Created the Site Cleanup Subaccount Program

- SB445 was enacted - September 2014
- Made needed improvements to the Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund, Orphan Sites Cleanup Fund, and created the Site Cleanup Subaccount (SCAP)
- SCAP began accepting applications in late 2015, and has reviewed 133

Total of 133 SCAP Applicants



Funded Projects to Date – Project Types



SCAP is a Funding Program for Contaminated Sites

- SCAP provides grants through reimbursement of reasonable and necessary costs of site cleanup.
- SCAP's grant program is non-competitive; each proposal is considered independently.
- SCAP also provides regulatory agencies with funding to identify sources of contamination and potentially responsible parties, and to perform cleanup at high-priority sites.

Who is eligible?

Applicants with eligible projects

Eligible projects ...

Identify the source of surface or groundwater contamination.

Remediate the harm or threat of harm to human health, safety, and the environment caused by existing or threatened surface or groundwater contamination.

Address human-made contamination.

Are subject to a regulatory agency directive, unless infeasible.

Do not have the financial resources to meet the regulatory agency directive.

SCAP's Priorities Are Based on Five Considerations

- 💧 Significant threat to human health or the environment
- 💧 Disadvantaged or small community impact
- 💧 Cost and environmental benefit of cleanup
- 💧 No other funding source(s) available other than SCAP
- 💧 Other State Water Board considerations

SCAP Reviews Applications for...

- Petroleum UST sites
- Sites with vapor intrusion issues
- Dry cleaners
- Industrial sites
- Brownfield sites
- Cities and counties
- Petroleum
- Chlorinated solvents
- Pesticides and herbicides
- Perchlorate
- Metals
- Industrial pollutants

Examples of Other Considerations

- The site is a regulatory agency's priority;
- The applicant has access to the site;
- The applicant has the ability to execute the project;
- The timeline to achieve the project goals is reasonable;
- The applicant has been compliant with regulatory requirements;
- There are acute human health risks associated with the site;
- and many others.

What else should you know?

- SCAP has no deadlines for submittal of grant pre-applications.
- SCAP has no limits on funding for individual grant proposals.
- SCAP funds one applicant for a single site.
- SCAP works closely with applicants to help determine whether it is the most appropriate financial assistance program for their project.
- SCAP's objective is data-driven cleanups.

Information SCAP evaluates when reviewing grant applications

- Readiness of the project to proceed
- Timeline for project to be implemented
- Timeline to realize project benefits
- RP status - identified? Able to pay? Willing to cooperate?
- Further site investigation/evaluation required?
- Potential applicants that are stakeholders (not necessarily RPs) for a cleanup project and are willing and able to enter into a funding agreement.

More Information

- Visit our website –

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/scap

- Sign up for email alerts for Groundwater Quality Funding Assistance –

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml

- Groundwater Quality Funding Program applications are accepted continuously. Use the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST) -

<https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov>

- Contact me at kathryn.dominic@waterboards.ca.gov

THANK YOU.