



# Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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## **PETROLEUM CLEANUP PROGRAM SITE REHABILITATION FUNDING ALLOCATION (SRFA) AGREEMENT INFORMATION SHEET**

**Subsection 376.30714, Florida Statutes**

### **What is a SRFA Agreement?**

A site rehabilitation funding allocation agreement (SRFA) is a mechanism authorized by Section 376.30714, Florida Statutes (F.S.), to combine the cleanup efforts of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) and private parties through a negotiated agreement when a new ineligible discharge of petroleum products occurs at a site with pre-existing contamination that has been determined eligible for State-funded cleanup. This statutory provision was first effective June 17, 1999, but applies to discharges reported the Department after December 31, 1998.

This section also authorizes the Department to modify site's cleanup priority taking into account the cost effectiveness associated with the timing of site rehabilitation activities. Upon execution of the SRFA agreement, and retroactive to date of discovery, the new discharge is afforded the defense established in subsection 376.308(5), F.S., from compelled cleanup until such time as State funds for rehabilitation of the eligible discharge are available. The SRFA agreement will in part establish the respective cleanup obligations of the Department for the eligible discharge and of the applicant for the ineligible discharge and will establish the cleanup priority for the discharges that are part of the SRFA agreement.

### **Who May Participate in a SRFA Agreement?**

The governing statute defines an applicant as a facility owner, operator, discharger or entity who accepts responsibility for cleanup of a new discharge on a qualified site. This includes any person responsible for an ineligible discharge of petroleum products from a stationary petroleum storage system reported to the Department after December 31, 1998 at a site with an existing discharge that is eligible for a State-funded petroleum cleanup program (Early Detection Incentive Program - EDI, Abandoned Tank Restoration Program – ATRP, Petroleum Liability Restoration Insurance Program – PLRIP, or Petroleum Cleanup Participation Program – PCPP) with the following exceptions.

Certain sites are excluded from participation in a SRFA agreement, as follows:

1. Sites owned or operated by the federal government at the time of the new discharge;
2. Facilities that failed to correct a violation previously cited which contributed to or caused the new discharge;
3. Discharges intentionally caused by the owner, operator, responsible party or applicant;
4. Sites where the Department has been denied access;
5. Sites that are identified by the U.S. EPA be on, or which qualify for listing on, the National Priorities List under Superfund; and

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6. Sites where the entity required to report the discharge or initiate free product recovery failed to do so as required by Department rules.

**How Do I Apply For a SRFA Agreement?**

Applications for a SRFA agreement must be submitted to the Department within 120 days after discovery of the new discharge, together with a limited contamination assessment report (LCAR) sufficient to demonstrate the extent of the new discharge or the impact of the new discharge relative to the existing contamination, and to establish the cleanup priority for the site. Applicants must certify that they have the prerequisite authority to enter into the site rehabilitation agreement.

Copies of the SRFA Application Form, SRFA LCAR Guidance, and the Standard SRFA Agreement Format are available on the Petroleum Restoration Program web site at <http://www.floridadep.gov/waste/petroleum-restoration/content/site-rehabilitation-funding-allocation-srfa>.

**Where Do I Send My SRFA Application and LCAR?**

SRFA applications, supporting LCARs, and questions pertaining to SRFA agreements should be submitted to:

SRFA Coordinator  
Petroleum Restoration Program  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
2600 Blair Stone Road, Mail Station 4575  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400  
(850) 245-8839