

## **Advancing Water Technologies (AWT) Program – Call for Large Project Proposals up to \$500,000**

### **Sponsor**

The Government of Canada through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev), administered by the Southern Ontario Water Consortium (SOWC)

### **Program**

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### **For More Information**

For additional information, please visit the [Advancing Water Technologies \(AWT\) Program](#) [1] websites for:

- Program Guidelines
- Project Intake Form
- Industry Contribution Guidelines
- Travel Expense Policy
- IP Policy

### **Description**

The [Advancing Water Technologies \(AWT\) Program](#) [1] is a new catalyst for business-led collaborations in the water sector. It was created by the Southern Ontario Water Consortium to help Ontario small- to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) leverage world-class research facilities and academic expertise to develop and demonstrate water technologies for successful introduction to the market. AWT provides financial contributions to industry-led research and development projects in the water sector that will result in the successful commercialization of globally-competitive and market-ready products and services. AWT will support existing industry-academic partnerships and actively encourage and develop new ones.

### **Eligibility**

The AWT Program eligibility criteria and requirements will apply; **please refer to the [AWT Program Guidelines](#) [2] and the [Addendum for large projects](#) [3].**

## Industry Partner (For-Profit Collaborator)

A **single company** (and its academic partner institution) must be the applicant for large projects, but projects that will engage or benefit multiple companies and/or include collaboration with multiple academic institutions are strongly encouraged. The company must be a Canadian registered for-profit company operating under the laws of Ontario or Canada, with a minimum of two full-time employees or be in operation for a minimum of two years. The Industry Partner must be located in [southern Ontario](#) [4] and must demonstrate that economic benefits (e.g. jobs) will accrue to southern Ontario as a result of the AWT Program contribution to the project.

## Academic Partner

To be eligible, academic researchers must hold an academic appointment and be eligible to hold research funds at their respective SOWC member post-secondary institution.

Intellectual Property and Conflict of Interest rules apply.

## Funding Availability

Up to five large projects will be funded. Successful applicants will be invited no later than September 15, 2016 to submit full applications.

## Maximum Project Value

The AWT Program will provide reimbursement of up to \$500,000 CAD towards [eligible project costs](#) [5]. Industry Partners are required to provide a 1:1 matching contribution (Cash or cash-equivalent, or a combination of both, will be accepted) on the AWT Program funding to the project, for a total project value of \$1,000,000.

## Indirect Costs

No indirect costs are required on the amount requested from the AWT Program. Indirect costs on cash contributions from Industry will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Additional facility access fees may apply to applicants utilizing SOWC's research facilities/infrastructure, located across SOWC's partner organizations.

## Project Duration

Up to two years. All eligible AWT Program project expenses must be incurred by December 31, 2018.

## Special Notes

### Internal deadlines

**Project Intake Form:** The Project Intake Form – Large Projects is not reviewed by the Office of

Research Services; submit these forms directly to SOWC.

**Full Application:** Once approved by SOWC to proceed to the Full Application Stage, please submit your application, along with an OR-5 Form to [research.services@uoguelph.ca](mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca) [6] no later than November 1, 2016.

## External deadlines

**Project Intake Form:** The Project Intake Form – Large Projects must be submitted directly to SOWC no later than September 1, 2016.

**Full Application:** November 15, 2016

## How to Apply

**Step 1:** Interested applicants must first complete the [Project Intake Form – Large Projects](#) [1].

**Step 2: Full applications will be accepted by invitation only.** All applicants will be required to submit a completed AWT Program Application Form. It is recommended that the Industry Applicant and the Academic Applicant jointly complete the application. The Application Form will be provided to applicants once they have received an invitation to apply.

For Questions, please contact

**Interested applicants are encouraged to contact:**

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## Source

**URL:** <https://www-research.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/funding-opportunity/2016/advancing-water-technologies-awt-program-%E2%80%93-call-large-project-proposals>

## Links

[1] <https://sowc.ca/funding/>

[2] <https://sowc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AWT-Program-Guidelines-2016-MAY-20.pdf>

[3] [https://sowc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AWT-Program-Guidelines-Addendum\\_2016\\_JULY-26.pdf](https://sowc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AWT-Program-Guidelines-Addendum_2016_JULY-26.pdf)

[4] <https://sowc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/AWT-Southern-Ontario-Map.jpg>

[5] <https://sowc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AWT-Program-Guidelines-2016-FEB-10.pdf>

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