



# GOPURPLE PILOT INCENTIVE PROGRAM EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW REBATE APPLICATION

## INTRODUCTION

Effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Austin Water (AW) GoPurple Pilot Incentive Program provides financial incentives for qualified development projects connecting to AW's reclaimed water system and/or installing Onsite Water Reuse Systems (OWRS) to meet non-potable water demands; including toilet/urinal flushing, irrigation, and cooling. The GoPurple Expedited Plan Review Rebate provides up to \$36,000 to Program Participants to cover fees from participating in the City of Austin's Expedited Building Plan review process.

AW anticipates funding multiple projects during the pilot program period. Applications are accepted and reviewed in the order received. Program funding is available on a first come, first served basis subject to funding availability and to Council approval.

The Go Purple Program will accept applications as long as Council reauthorizes the program each Fiscal Year. Data gathered through participating projects will assist AW in future alternative water planning and implementation efforts. In addition to advancing water supply reliability, the GoPurple Pilot Incentive Program supports the Water Forward goals adopted by City Council in November of 2018. The Water Forward Plan includes a goal of developing an additional 10 million gallons per day (mgd) of sustainable water supplies through reclaimed water use in new development by 2040.

## WATER SAVINGS

The water savings for projects participating in the GoPurple Pilot Incentive Program will vary by project but typically save over one million gallons annually of potable water by using either reclaimed water or Onsite Water Reuse Systems to meet non-potable water demands of the project.

## REBATE AMOUNT

The rebate amount covers all [eligible fees](#) the permittee pays to participate in the Expedited Building Plan Review process, up to \$36,000.

## ELIGIBILITY

Projects connecting to AW's reclaimed water system or installing an OWRS are eligible for the Expedited Building Plan Review rebate according to the guidelines below:

### Projects connecting to the reclaimed water system:

- Any project over 250 feet from a reclaimed water main
- Any project with a qualified affordable housing component

### Projects installing OWRS:

- Any project installing an OWRS (projects paying a fee in lieu of installing an OWRS are ineligible).

## PROGRAM PROCESS

**Step 1** – Submit application, including a project owner W-9 form.

**Step 2** – Austin Water reviews application.

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**Step 3** – Upon approval, applicant will be notified. Rebate checks are typically mailed to the applicant within 6-8 weeks of approval.

**Note:** A program incentive may be taxable. It is the responsibility of the program participant to determine whether a tax liability exists. The designated program participant will receive a 1099-Misc tax form from the City of Austin in the February after award of the program funding. By issuing a 1099-Misc, the City of Austin is fulfilling its legal obligation for tax reporting. In order to issue a 1099-Misc, AW will request relevant tax information from a designated program participant through a W-9 IRS tax form, which must be completed and returned before a program disbursement will be made.

## RESOURCES

Expedited Building Plan Review: <https://www.austintexas.gov/department/expedited-building-plan-review>

GoPurple: <https://www.austintexas.gov/page/go-purple>

Onsite Water Reuse: <https://www.austintexas.gov/department/onsite-water-reuse-systems>

Reclaimed Water: <https://www.austintexas.gov/department/obtaining-reclaimed-water-service>

**EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW REBATE APPLICATION****APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Austin Water Account # <i>(leave blank if unavailable)</i>					
Name of Applicant <i>(property owner or account holder)</i> :					
Company Name:					
Project Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Contact Name:				Title:	
Phone:		Email:			

**PROJECT INFORMATION**

Project Name:					
Estimated Start Date:		Estimated Completion Date:			
Estimated Annual Offset of Austin Water (AW) Potable Water Supply:					
Project Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclaimed connection greater than 250 feet from reclaimed main				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclaimed connection less than 250 feet from reclaimed line with affordable housing component				
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWRS installation				
Building Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial (Non-Residential) <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Family Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed-Use				
Construction Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Major Alteration Requiring Site Plan Approval				
Building Permit Number:					

**PROJECT FUNDING**

Total Funds Requested from AW's Expedited Rebate Program:	\$
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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Please include the project owner W-9 IRS tax form.

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## **EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW REBATE APPLICATION**

### **PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

I certify that all statements and representations contained in this application are true, correct and complete. I have read and understand the program eligibility requirements. I have completed each of the required items on the program checklist and submitted all required items. I understand that incomplete applications will not be processed. Austin Water reserves the right to cancel or modify the program without notice. Program funds are subject to funding availability and will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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Signature

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Date