

APPENDIX J
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Forming a non-profit

This section describes the basic steps to forming a nonprofit corporation and receiving tax-exempt status. Although the IRS has designed 27 different kinds of tax-exempt organizations, most organizations seek recognition under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, which allows contributions to the organization to be eligible for certain tax deductions.

Steps to follow when forming a nonprofit organization:

1. Check the availability of the organization's name. Before you file the paperwork you will need to make a name for your organization. To check for availability of the proposed name of the organization call the Washington Secretary of State's Office (360) 753-7115.
2. Write and File Articles of Incorporation with the State of Washington. In order to legally form a nonprofit corporation you will need to file an "Application to Form a Nonprofit Corporation" with the Washington Secretary of State. You can obtain the application at <http://www.secstate.wa.gov/corps> or request one by telephone at 360-753-7115. NOTE: Be sure to reference your Articles of Incorporation in the appropriate spaces on the application form. In particular, language similar to the "Dissolution" language in the Sample Articles of Incorporation will be important later when you apply to the IRS for exempt status, so be sure to reference that paragraph on the form under "Dissolution."
3. Include a cover letter with information about the contact person for your group. This person will receive the approved Articles from the State.
4. Include the required incorporation fee of \$30. In order to remain registered, in subsequent years you will receive an annual registration form and will need to pay a \$10 fee.
5. After reviewing your application, the State may send you a list of questions. This is a normal part of the process and gives you the opportunity to clarify and/or correct portions of your application.
6. The stamped approved copy of the Articles of Incorporation that you receive is referred to by the IRS as the "conformed copy." Keep in mind that you need to send copies of the conformed copy to the IRS along with Form 1023 (see item #5, below).

7. Create Bylaws. Bylaws outline how your agency will operate. They typically include information on an agency's mission, membership (composition, number and structure of meetings, responsibilities and decision-making process, etc.), geographic area served, Board of Directors (number, election process, terms, quorum, vacancies, etc.), committees, fiscal management (fiscal year, committee/officer responsibility etc.), and how to amend Bylaws. For a template for bylaws see: Sample Nonprofit Bylaws.
8. Obtain a federal Employer Identification Number (EIN). Even if you don't plan to hire employees, you must obtain an EIN. The process is very simple and costs nothing. Just fill out IRS form SS-4 and fax it to the appropriate regional office. You'll receive your organization's EIN by fax within 48 hours. NOTE: In addition to the regular IRS forms that are available at the IRS web site, you can find "fill-in" forms that allow you to fill them in on your computer. These are available at http://www.irs.gov/forms_pubs/fillin.html
9. File Federal Papers for Tax Exemption. In addition to filing Articles of Incorporation with the State, you will also need to obtain federal exemption from taxes from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

You will need the following forms:(The following links are in pdf format. You will need the FREE Adobe Acrobat Reader to view and print them. Other file formats are available at: <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov> or you can request them by calling the IRS at (800) 829-3676)

- Form 1023 ("Application for Recognition of Exemption under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code"). Processing this form takes approximately 100 days and you may be asked to provide additional information before they can make the determination about your request.
- Form 8718 ("User Fee for Exempt Organizational Determination Letter Request")
- Publication 557 ("Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization")

Organizations should file these forms within 15 months of incorporation. Form 1023 requires a filing fee of \$500.00 if the organizational budget will average more than \$10,000 per year over four years, or \$150 if less.

To file these forms, you will need to provide the following information:

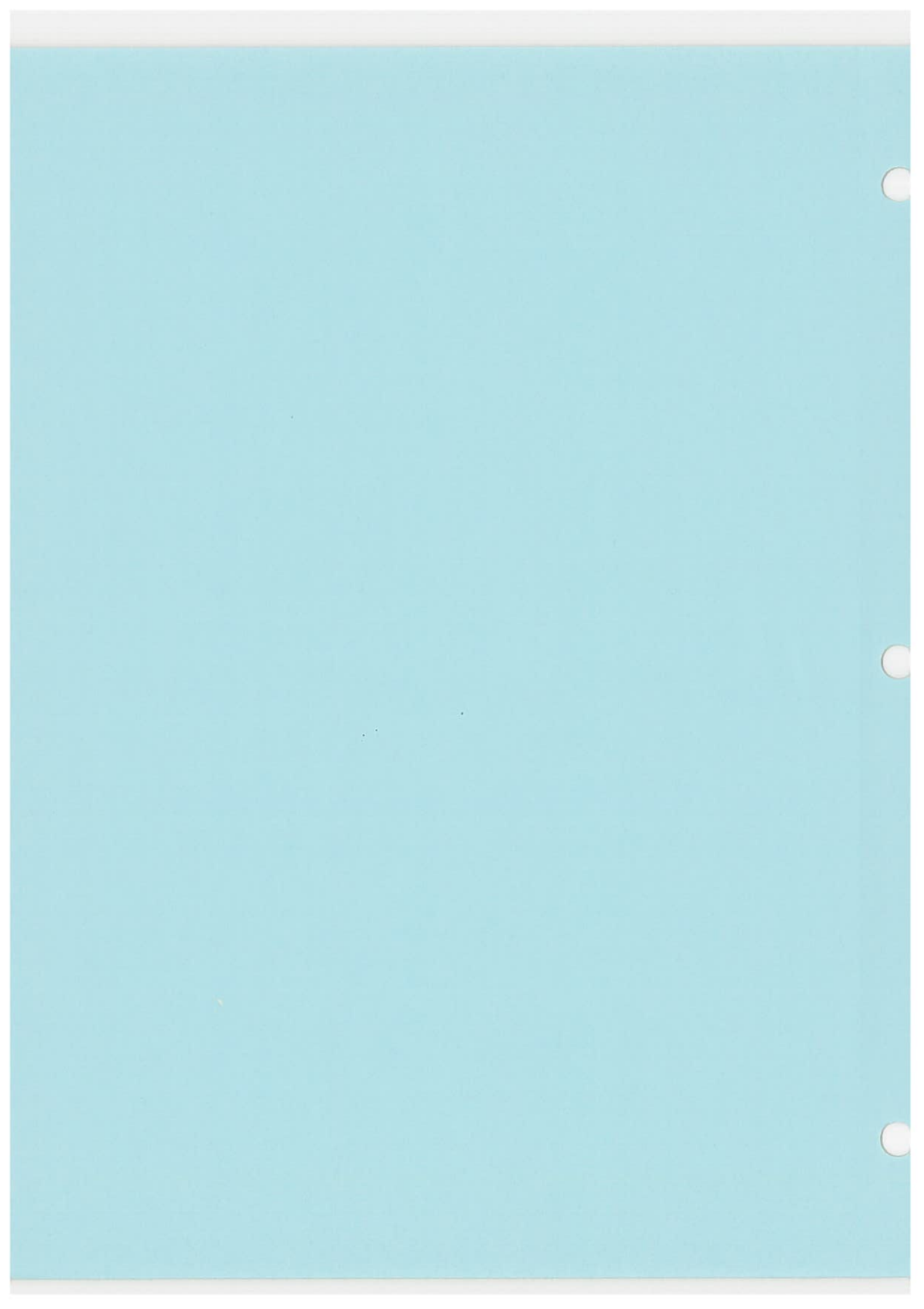
- Description of exempt purpose and actual programs, who is being served and why, demographics of constituency, etc.

- Financial information - where will the funds originate, private vs. public support, information about fees for services, statement of revenue and expenses, balance sheet, etc.)
- Annual Obligations Once Your Federal Tax Exempt Status is Granted All 501(c)(3) organizations (except purely religious organizations) need to file Federal Form 990 (Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax) annually with the IRS. This form is available online at: <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov> or by calling the IRS at (800) 829-3676).

Other Considerations:

- Board Membership and Meetings- recruitment and retention strategy, how often will the Board meet, who prepares agenda, minutes and notices, etc.?
- Fundraising Strategy - What funding is needed, and where will it come from?
- Accounting System - How will funds be tracked and reported? What internal controls need to be in place?
- Staffing - What are the staffing needs, what are the personnel policies and payroll procedures?
- Community education/awareness - What is the communications plan, how will other people and groups know about the organization's work?
- Evaluation - How will the organizations work be monitored and assessed?
- Insurance - What insurance does the organization need?





FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning watershed planning.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville, Kirby, Grant, Rockefeller, Quall, Hunt, Shabro, Jarrett, Delvin, Morris and Conway; by request of Governor Locke).

House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Energy & Water

Background:

Watershed Planning. State watershed planning laws provide a process for conducting watershed planning through a locally initiated process. If planning is conducted under this process, it must include a component on current and future water availability and use. It may include components regarding instream flows, water quality, and habitat.

Watershed planning may be conducted for one watershed or water resource inventory area (WRIA) or it may be conducted for multiple WRIs. For this purpose, the local governments that initiate the process select or create a planning unit and designate a lead agency to provide staff support for the planning unit. Grants are available from the Department of Ecology (DOE) for organizing a planning unit and establishing work schedules, for conducting assessments, studying storage opportunities, and setting instream flows, and for developing a watershed plan and making recommendations for actions to be taken. Once a plan is approved by the planning unit, it is submitted to each of the counties with territory in the watershed or watersheds for which planning was conducted. After publishing notice and conducting at least one public hearing per county, the legislative authorities of these counties are to approve or disapprove of the plan in a joint session. If approved by the counties, the plan is an approved watershed plan.

Other Water-Related Planning in Watersheds. Under the salmon recovery laws, committees evaluate and develop habitat project lists which a local "lead entity" submits to the state's Salmon Recovery Funding Board for ranking and awarding of funding. The DOE is the state agency delegated authority to implement provisions of the federal Clean Water Act. Under that authority, the DOE develops total maximum daily load assessments and allocations (TMDLs) for water bodies that violate water quality standards. The TMDLs are submitted to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency for approval.

Summary:

Grants. State phase IV grants for watershed plan coordination and oversight are authorized. A planning unit may receive up to: \$100,000 for each of the first three years; and \$50,000 per year for each of two extension years. If planning was conducted for more than one WRIA, an additional \$25,000 per year per additional WRIA may be available for first three years; and an additional \$12,500 per year per additional WRIA for the two extension years. A match of 10 percent is required for the funding. The match may include financial contributions or in-kind goods and services directly related to coordination and oversight functions.

Detailed Implementation Plans. Within one year of accepting phase IV funding, the planning unit must complete a detailed implementation plan. Submitting a detailed implementation plan to the DOE is a condition for receiving grants for the second and all subsequent years of the phase IV grant. The implementation plan must contain strategies to provide sufficient water for: production agriculture; commercial, industrial, and residential use; and instream flows. It must contain time-lines to achieve these strategies and interim milestones to measure progress. It must also clearly define: coordination and oversight responsibilities; any needed interlocal agreements, rules, or ordinances; any needed state or local administrative approvals and permits that must be secured; and specific funding mechanisms. The planning unit must consult with other entities planning in the watershed management area and identify and seek to eliminate any activities or policies that are duplicative or inconsistent.

Approving a Plan - Opting Out. A county legislative authority may choose to opt out of watershed planning if the county's affected territory within a watershed planning area is less than 5 percent of the total territory within the area. It may also opt out if its part of the planning area is 5 percent or more with the consent of all other governments that initiated planning in the area. The county must notify the DOE and the other initiating governments of that choice prior to the beginning of the process to adopt the plan. Such a county is not bound by obligations contained in the watershed plan.

Effect of a Plan. If the DOE participated in the planning process leading to the adoption of a watershed plan under the watershed planning laws, the plan is deemed to satisfy the watershed planning authority of the DOE with respect to the components included in the plan for the watershed. The DOE must use such a plan as the framework for making future water resource decisions for the watershed and must rely upon the plan as a primary consideration in determining the public interest related to those decisions. Once a watershed plan has been approved under these laws for a watershed, the DOE may develop and adopt modifications to the plan or obligations imposed by the plan only through a form of negotiated rule-making that uses the same processes that applied in that watershed for developing the plan.

Reports. By December 1, 2003, and by December 1st of each subsequent year, the DOE

must report to the Legislature regarding: statutory changes necessary to enable state agency approval or permit decision making needed to implement an approved plan; and on the progress of setting instream flows as part of watershed planning and otherwise.

Other. A state agency may adopt policies, procedures, or agreements related to the obligations or implementation of the obligations in addition to or in lieu of adopting implementing rules if the agency has the consent of the planning unit to do so. Entities carrying out their obligations under a watershed plan should annually review implementation needs with respect to budget and staffing and organizations voluntarily accepting such an obligation must additionally adopt policies, procedures, agreements, rules, or ordinances for carrying out those obligations.

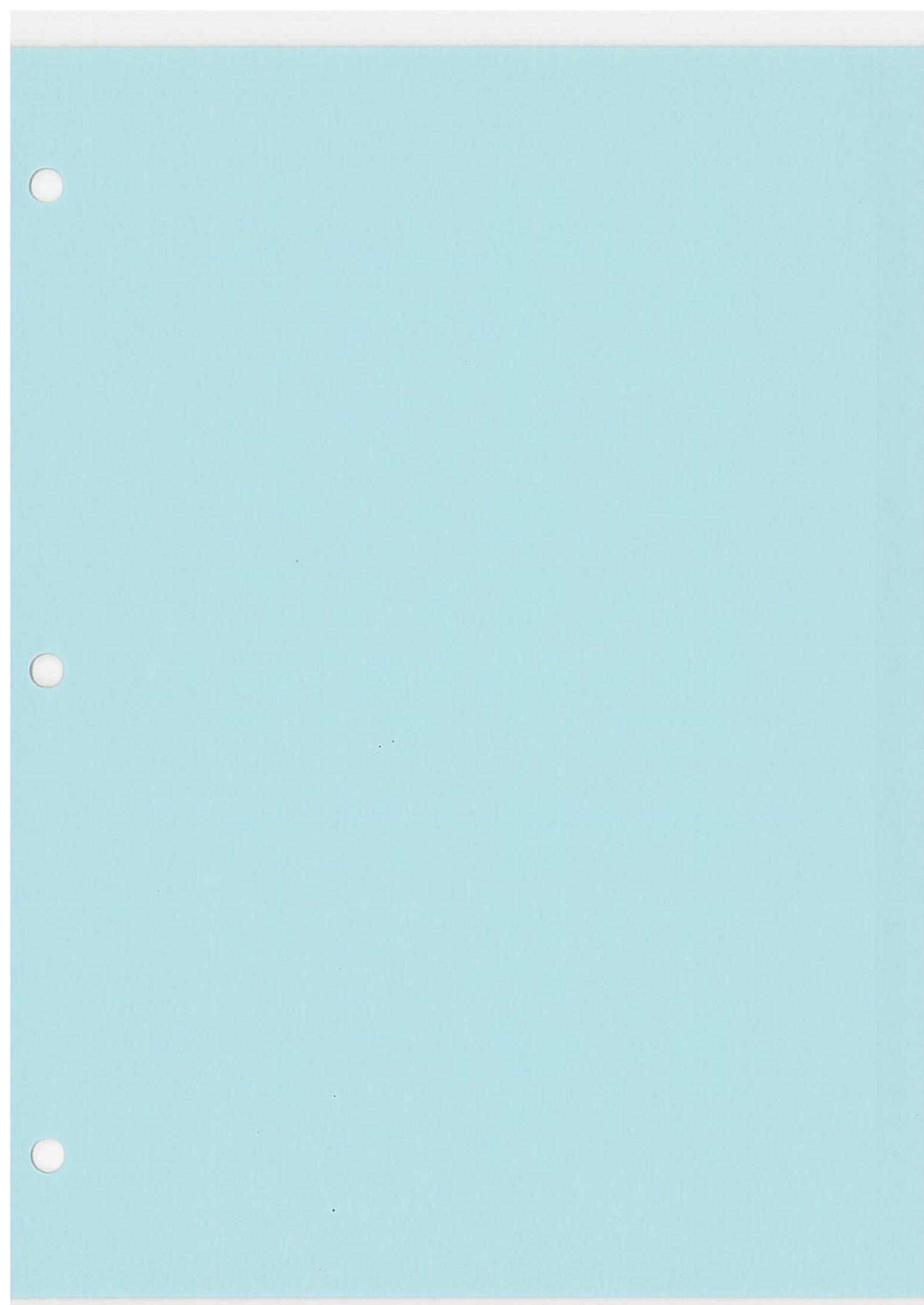
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Chapter 173-170 WAC
AGRICULTURAL WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES

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WAC

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WAC 173-170-010 Purpose and authority. The purpose of this chapter is to establish requirements for the grant and loan program covering rehabilitation, improvement, and construction of agricultural water supply facilities pursuant to Referendum 38, chapter 43.99E RCW. The department shall provide grants and loans to applicants for water supply facilities for agricultural use alone or in combination with fishery, recreational, or other beneficial uses of water. In this regard, an objective of providing state assistance to public bodies engaged in irrigation shall be to assist those entities in improving their efficiency of water use beyond current levels.

Note: All statutes, rules, or regulations cited in this chapter are available for review at Department of Ecology, P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, WA 98504-7600.

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WAC 173-170-020 Definitions. (1) "Department" means the Washington state department of ecology.

(2) "Agreement" means a binding legal document containing all applicable terms and conditions pertaining to loans and/or grants entered into under Referendum 38 which is signed by the program manager for the department's water resources program and by the duly authorized official of the applicant.

(3) "Agricultural water supply facility" means a water supply and distribution system used for agricultural purposes and owned or operated by a public body, including but not limited to all equipment, utilities, structures, real property, and interests in and improvements on real property necessary for or incidental to the acquisition, construction, installation, or use of any such water supply or distribution system.

(4) "Applicant" means the public body making a request for financial assistance under Referendum 38.

(5) "Class A project" means a construction element associated with an agricultural water supply facility which:

(a) Results in improved water use efficiency and/or quantitative water savings as determined by the department; and
(b) Is one or more of the following: (i) Canal and lateral linings; (ii) piped conveyance and distribution system; (iii) consolidation and/or realignment of delivery systems; (iv) flow measuring devices, e.g., flow control devices; (v) entire structures/regulating structures (which are new or replace obsolete ones) including: (A) Checks, (B) checkdrops, (C) siphons, (D) turnouts, (E) flumes, (F) reregulation reservoirs; (vi) multiple use water storage dams and reservoirs; (vii) automation with central control of regulating structures including on-off control of pumping plants in canals and laterals; (viii) new booster pumps for pressurized systems; (ix) project pumping plants;

(c) In the event there are technological advances that increase water use efficiency and/or result in significant water savings that are not described in (a) of this subsection, such project element(s) will be evaluated as a Class A project by the department.

(6) "Class B project" means a construction element associated with an agricultural water supply facility which:

(a) Does not contribute to quantitative water savings as determined by the department; and
(b) Is one or more of the following: (i) In-line water withdrawal pumping plant; (ii) well drilling, well pumps; (iii) diversion dams; (iv) replacement, rehabilitation, or improvement of in-line booster pump(s); (v) rehabilitation or improvement of storage dam(s) or part(s) thereof.

(7) "Emergency project" means a capital improvement construction element to repair, due to natural causes (except drought), water supply, diversion or conveyance facilities, which is necessary to prevent unsafe conditions or ensure the continued delivery or conveyance of water in the agricultural water supply system.

(8) "Financial assistance" means grants and loans as authorized by chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38.

(9) "Fisheries facility" means a construction element associated with an agricultural water supply facility which:

(a) Is identified as an integral element of a project for the construction, rehabilitation, and/or improvement of an agricultural water supply facility; and
(b) Will provide recognized benefits to the anadromous and/or resident fish species of the state.

(10) "Implementation phase" means the acquisition, design, construction, and improvement of agricultural water supply facilities within an irrigation district or a specific area or drainage basin for storing, diverting, transporting, or distributing water to land for irrigation and for protecting and enhancing fisheries, recreational, or other beneficial uses that may be associated with such facilities.

(11) "Local clearinghouse" means the county or regional comprehensive planning agency designated to serve as a

coordinating office for certain local areas. A list of clearinghouses is available from the department. The local clearinghouses review proposed projects for conformance to regional plans, ask for comments from other agencies, and relay these remarks back to the applicant. This process helps assure that policies and comprehensive plans of cities, counties, or regions will be followed.

(12) "Payment schedule" means, the due dates for loan payments and any interest thereon, as included in the loan agreement.

(13) "Planning phase" means the preparation of a comprehensive water conservation plan which conforms with WAC 173-170-060, which covers the applicant's entire jurisdiction and service area.

(14) "Plans and specifications" means engineering information and calculations to support the project and construction drawings with necessary engineering detail of the project and complete material specifications and standards to support the drawings and project. These will be prepared in sufficient detail and, upon approval by the department, become part of the bid documents which allow contractors to bid on and construct agricultural water supply facilities or attendant fisheries facilities or recreational facilities or a portion thereof.

(15) "Public body" means the state of Washington or any agency, political subdivision, taxing district, or municipal or public corporation thereof; an agency of the federal government; and those Indian tribes which may constitutionally receive grants or loans from the state of Washington.

(16) "Recreational facility" means a water and/or water-associated system which:

(a) Is identified as an integral element of an agricultural water supply facility; and

(b) Will provide recognized benefits for human use and recreation through fishing, boating, water skiing, swimming, rafting, picnicking, and/or camping.

(17) "Referendum 38" means the grant and loan financial assistance program and its procedures, which pertain to agricultural water supply facilities alone or in combination with fishery, recreational, or other beneficial uses of water, as authorized in chapter 43.99E RCW.

(18) "Request for financial assistance" means the formal application packet, as described in WAC 173-170-030 and 173-170-060, submitted to the department requesting grant and/or loan funds to accomplish an eligible project.

(19) "Water use efficiency elements" means those implementation projects or portions thereof which result in reduced operational and conveyance losses and improved delivery of requisite amounts of water to farms within the limits of the pertinent water right permit or certificate.

(20) "Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project" (YRBWEP) is a federal, tribal, state and local cooperative program for improving water supply, habitat and stream flow conditions in the Yakima River Basin of Washington. The project was originally

authorized by Congress in 1979 with subsequent implementing legislation being passed in 1984 for fish passage improvements and in 1994 for water conservation and related elements.

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WAC 173-170-030 Application process--Planning phase. (1) Requests for financial assistance for the planning phase shall be submitted to the department between November 1 of any year and the last day of February of the following year.

(2) The applicant shall submit an application form with the following minimum information:

- (a) Who shall prepare the comprehensive plan;
- (b) A projected completion date for the comprehensive plan;
- (c) A United States Geological Survey Quadrangle or comparable map of the area to be covered by the comprehensive plan.

(3) Requests for loan funding must be accompanied by a resolution executed by the applicant's governing body that they will follow the procedures for indebtedness in chapter 87.03 RCW and establish a reserve account into which funds will be deposited in an amount adequate to provide coverage for principal and interest payments due under the loan agreement, whenever circumstances beyond the applicant's control preclude payments from standard sources.

(4) Within ninety days of receipt of the request for financial assistance, the department will notify the applicant of its preliminary findings regarding eligibility. In all cases the department shall make its final selection of funded projects and notify the applicants no later than May 31 following the application period.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-030, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-040 Comprehensive water conservation plan--Contents--Funding. The comprehensive water conservation plan, which is the ultimate work product due at the end of the planning phase, will address and provide information on the following topics for the geographical area indicated in the request for financial assistance:

Applicant Organization

(1) Applicant's statutory authority; history of organization management; assessment authority; and operation procedures and management policies.

Land Base and Land Use

(2) Layout map showing:

(a) Boundaries of the applicant's jurisdiction and service area;

(b) Location of: (i) The lands which are assessed by the applicant, and (ii) those lands to which water is delivered in accordance with the water rights or water right claims or otherwise;

(c) Land use information including total acres irrigated over a representative historical period and cropping patterns for each year of a recent five-year period.

Water Supply, Use, and Rights

(3) Layout map showing location of: (a) Natural features (streams, rivers, lakes, ground water aquifers) including those in the watershed(s) where the water supply originates; and (b) all of the applicant's existing water supply facilities inside and out of its service area.

(4) Information on the applicant's and/or pertinent individual's water rights and/or water right claims for irrigation water supply, including ongoing or future water rights or water rights claims, conflicts, and litigation.

(5) Hydrologic water supply data including historical records of surface water availability (natural flows and storage), and ground water pumpages and other pertinent aquifer data on availability for withdrawal for water supply purposes.

(6) Quantities of surface water diverted and/or ground water withdrawn for water supply for each year of a recent five-year period. (Annual and monthly acre-feet and maximum and minimum monthly flows in cubic feet per second (cfs) for surface water and gallons per minute (gpm) for ground water.)

(7) Identify and assess the hydrological water flow system within the applicant's service area as it pertains to the quantities of water: (a) Diverted or withdrawn, (b) conveyed and distributed, (c) delivered and applied on farm, (d) which recharge the ground water and are returned to the agricultural water supply system, and (e) which comprise return flows for further irrigation downstream within the agricultural water supply system.

(8) Identify the quality of water supply and an assessment of the water quality impacts from use of the agricultural water supply system within the applicant's jurisdiction.

Present Facilities and Operations

(9) Identify and describe the present physical system utilized for the storage, diversion, pumping, conveyance, and distribution of the water supply.

(10) Assess and evaluate the existing water supply system including system efficiencies and energy use.

Water Needs and Adequacy of Water Supply

(11) Forecast future trends of land use.

(12) Estimate irrigation water requirements for the present and anticipated land use and cropping patterns.

(13) Relate the water needs to present water supply available.

Evaluation of Opportunities for Improvements in Water Supply and
Distribution System Efficiencies

(14) Identify improvements in water supply and distribution system efficiencies (structural and nonstructural).

(15) Document a system improvements and rehabilitation plan, prepare preliminary designs and cost estimates, and estimate time frame for implementation. Identify location of improvements on layout map.

(16) Quantify the reasonable net water savings that would result from the efficiency improvements.

(17) Identify and describe opportunities for improving irrigation water management.

(18) Quantify any net energy savings that would result from efficiency improvements.

(19) Evaluate the socioeconomic impacts from the efficiency improvements and rehabilitation plan and changes or modifications of the systems operations and management policies. Discuss and quantify the benefits that accrue from the implementation of the improvements and rehabilitation plan.

(20) Assess and evaluate the impacts and benefits of transferring the net water savings to other water uses and resources.

(21) Identify associated wetlands and assess the impacts on them from implementation of the physical system's improvements and rehabilitation plan.

(22) Evaluate the impacts on water quality standards from implementation of the physical system's improvements and rehabilitation plan.

(23) Evaluate other environmental impacts from the efficiency improvements and rehabilitation plan. Develop a plan regarding compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) if applicable.

Financial

(24) Develop a financial program that addresses the implementation of the improvements and rehabilitation plan. The financial program should include, among other elements, a time schedule for completing the comprehensive water conservation plan, a summary of the applicant's current indebtedness and repayment plans, present and future operation, maintenance and energy costs (with and without implementation of the proposed project), and a schedule of assessments to cover planned indebtedness to complete implementation of the comprehensive water conservation plan.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-040, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-040, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-050 Planning phase--Funding. (1) As available and awarded, financial assistance for the planning phase will be provided in the form of:

(a) Grants in the amount of fifty percent of the total eligible phase costs; and

(b) Concurrent loans in the amount of forty percent of the total eligible phase costs.

(2) Loans shall be for a maximum five-year period, repayable at an annual percentage rate which equals the rate for one year federal treasury bills at the first auction following July 1 of the state fiscal year in which the loan agreement is entered into, discounted by four percent.

(3) Comprehensive water conservation plans must precede the implementation phase for projects approved after the effective date of these rules.

(4) Financial assistance for the planning phase, regardless of the form it takes, may not exceed two hundred thousand dollars per applicant.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-050, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-050, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-060 Application process--Implementation phase.

(1) Requests for financial assistance for the implementation phase shall be submitted to the department between November 1 of any year and the last day of February of the following year.

(2) The applicant will submit two preapplication forms to the nearest local clearinghouse; one for the department and one for planning and community affairs. These forms are available from either the department or the clearinghouse.

(3) The applicant shall accompany the request for financial assistance with a copy of the completed comprehensive water conservation plan as approved by the department indicating which part(s) of the plan the proposed project fits under and the location of the proposed project on a United States Geological Survey Quadrangle map or any other comparable and readily available map.

(4) Within ninety days of receipt of the request for financial assistance, the department will notify the applicant of its preliminary findings regarding eligibility as to organization, type of project, purpose(s) of project, and conformance with the objectives of Referendum 38. In all cases the department shall make its final selection of funded projects and notify the applicant no later than May 31 of the year following the close of the current application period.

(5) Requests for loan funding must be accompanied by a resolution executed by the applicant's governing body that they will follow the procedures for indebtedness in chapter 87.03 RCW and establish a reserve account into which funds will be deposited in an amount adequate to provide coverage for principal and interest payments due under the loan agreement, whenever

circumstances beyond the applicant's control preclude payments from standard sources.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-060, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-070 Criteria for approval of requests for financial assistance--Implementation phase. (1) The implementation phase project(s) must be included in a comprehensive water conservation plan approved by the department.

(2) The agricultural water supply facilities must be designed to accomplish the purpose of the planned project. Accepted engineering design principles, criteria, and concepts will be used in the design of the facilities and approved by the department. Cost estimates for the proposed project must be prepared in detail. Plans and specifications must be approved by the department prior to advertising for construction bids.

(3) The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) requirements for any proposed actions must be met. The SEPA rules, chapter 197-11 WAC, will be followed to determine the environmental impacts of the proposed project. A copy of the final SEPA document and any needed supporting environmental analysis must be submitted to the department.

(4) Documentation showing all lands and land rights required for satisfactory construction, operation, and maintenance of the project have been or can be acquired.

(5) The project will not be in conflict with any applicable federal, state, and local laws, orders, regulations, rules, licenses, and permits.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-070, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-070, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-080 Implementation phase--Funding. (1) Implementation phase projects will be categorized by the department as Class A projects or Class B projects in accordance with the definitions for those terms under WAC 173-170-020 (5) and (6).

(2) As funds are available and awarded, financial assistance for Class A projects subject to a completed comprehensive water conservation plan shall be provided in the form of:

(a) Grants in the amount of thirty percent of the total eligible project costs; and

(b) Concurrent loans in the amount of sixty percent of the total eligible project costs.

(c) The department may issue an additional portion of the funding in grants for projects with significant public benefit.

(3) As funds are available and awarded, financial assistance for Class B projects subject to a completed comprehensive water conservation plan will be provided in the form of:

(a) Grants in the amount of fifteen percent of the total eligible project costs; and

(b) Concurrent loans in the amount of seventy-five percent of the total eligible project costs.

(4) Financial assistance for implementation phase projects shall be limited to a total of two million five hundred thousand dollars per applicant regardless of the form, except that loans once fully repaid shall not be measured against the limit.

(5) Loans awarded shall be available on the following repayment and interest schedule:

(a) Loans for up to a maximum five-year period, repayable with interest at an annual percentage rate which equals the rate for one year federal treasury bills at the first auction following the beginning of the state fiscal year (July 1) in which the loan agreement is entered into, discounted by four percent.

(b) Loans for five years through a maximum ten-year period, repayable with interest at an annual percentage rate which equals the rate for one year federal treasury bills at the first auction following the beginning of the state fiscal year (July 1) in which the loan agreement is entered into, discounted by two percent.

(c) Loans for ten years through a maximum fifteen-year period, repayable with interest at an annual percentage rate which equals the rate for one year federal treasury bills at the first auction following the beginning of the state fiscal year (July 1) in which the loan agreement is entered into, discounted by one percent.

(d) Loans for fifteen years through a maximum twenty-five-year period, repayable with interest at an annual percentage rate which equals the rate for one year federal treasury bills at the first auction following the beginning of the state fiscal year (July 1) in which the loan agreement is entered into.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-080, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-080, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-090 Emergency projects--Applications--Designation--Funding. (1) Applications for emergency projects may be accepted at any time throughout the year. The application shall indicate:

(a) The nature of the occurrence that caused the need for repairs;

(b) The location of needed repairs;

(c) A project description of the repairs; and

(d) A summary of how the repairs fit within the long-range improvements addressed in the comprehensive water conservation plan.

If the comprehensive water conservation plan has not been completed, a summary of how the repairs fit within proposed long-range improvements.

(2) A decision on whether to fund the emergency project will be made within fifteen days of receipt of the application. The department may agree to the applicant incurring costs prior to an agreement being signed and shall so indicate by letter to the applicant.

(3) Financial assistance for emergency projects shall be in the form of loans for up to ninety percent of the total eligible project costs.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-090, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-090, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-100 Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project--Funding. (1) The Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project (YRBWEP) may be provided state funding by agreement with the department, to the extent that moneys are available.

(2) Funds provided under this section for YRBWEP shall be exempt from WAC 173-170-080.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.99E RCW, Referendum 38, and RCW 90.54.040. 03-07-104 (Order 02-11), § 173-170-100, filed 3/19/03, effective 4/19/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-100, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-110 Fisheries and recreational facilities--Funding. (1) A fisheries or recreational facility element is the part of an implementation project that provides public benefits through concomitant use of water within an agricultural water supply facility. Specific elements are defined in WAC 173-170-020 (9) and (16).

(2) Financial assistance for the fisheries and/or recreational element shall be available as grants in the amount of seventy-five percent of the fisheries and/or recreational element's total eligible costs.

(3) Financial assistance for a fisheries and/or recreational element may not exceed five hundred twenty-five thousand dollars for any one applicant, which sum is not part of the cap on funding for the implementation phase, contained in WAC 173-170-080(5).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.17.060. 90-20-109, § 173-170-110, filed 10/2/90, effective 11/2/90.]

WAC 173-170-120 Supplemental guidelines. The department will publish guidelines which will describe in greater detail the financial assistance application, application review and funding issuance processes, the terms of financial assistance, and other elements of this program. These guidelines will also describe

**Washington State Department of Ecology : Ecology News**

Department of Ecology News Release - Jan. 15, 2003**03-010****Ecology Department proposes to fund more irrigation improvements**

OLYMPIA - The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is seeking public comment on several rule amendments that are designed help public irrigation districts obtain more funding to repair or improve their existing water-delivery systems to farms.

In 1980, voters approved Referendum 38, which authorized the state to issue \$125 million in bonds to support improvements for public water-supply systems and public irrigation districts. Ecology is responsible for overseeing \$50 million in bond funding for public irrigation districts, while the Department of Health administers the other \$75 million to help utilities.

Ecology adopted a rule in 1990 that outlined the financial criteria for irrigation districts, including capping the amount of loan and grant awards that individual systems can receive. However, since the rule was adopted, competing demands on water supplies have made it more difficult to obtain additional water for agricultural purposes.

One way irrigation districts can manage water more effectively is by improving their existing conveyance systems. Unfortunately, many irrigation districts have already reached their funding caps under the department's 1990 rule.

To help irrigation systems get more funding from the Referendum 38 bond fund, Ecology is proposing to:

- Raise the funding limit for individual systems from \$1.5 million to \$2.5 million and allow irrigation districts that have repaid their loans to once again be eligible for funding.
- Exempt Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project proposals from any funding cap, since the state signed an agreement to provide \$17.5 million toward the project. Created in 1995, the Yakima basin project is designed to improve water supplies for irrigation and increase stream flows for fish in the basin. The project gets funding from Ecology, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and participating irrigation districts.
- Provide flexibility to increase grant monies for projects.
- Restrict funding for emergency projects to only loans.

The public-comment period for the proposed rule changes starts today and ends Feb. 15. The department will conduct three public hearings, all beginning at 7 p.m., to share information and collect comments:

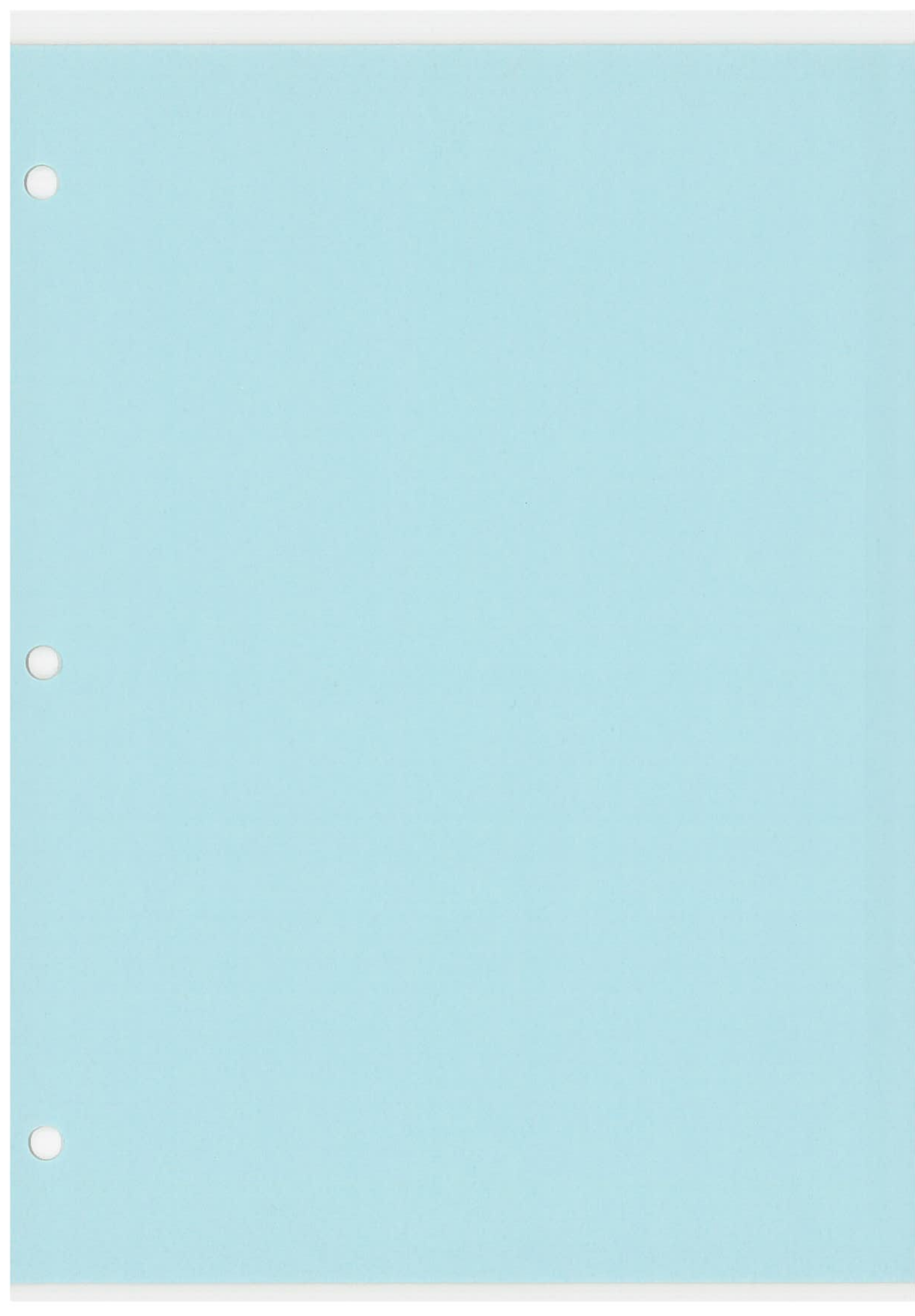
- Feb. 4 in Yakima -Department of Ecology regional office, 15 W. Yakima Ave.
- Feb. 5 in Moses Lake -Police Justice Building, Council Chambers, 401 S. Balsam.
- Feb. 6 - Chelan County Planning Building, conference room 204, 411 Washington St.

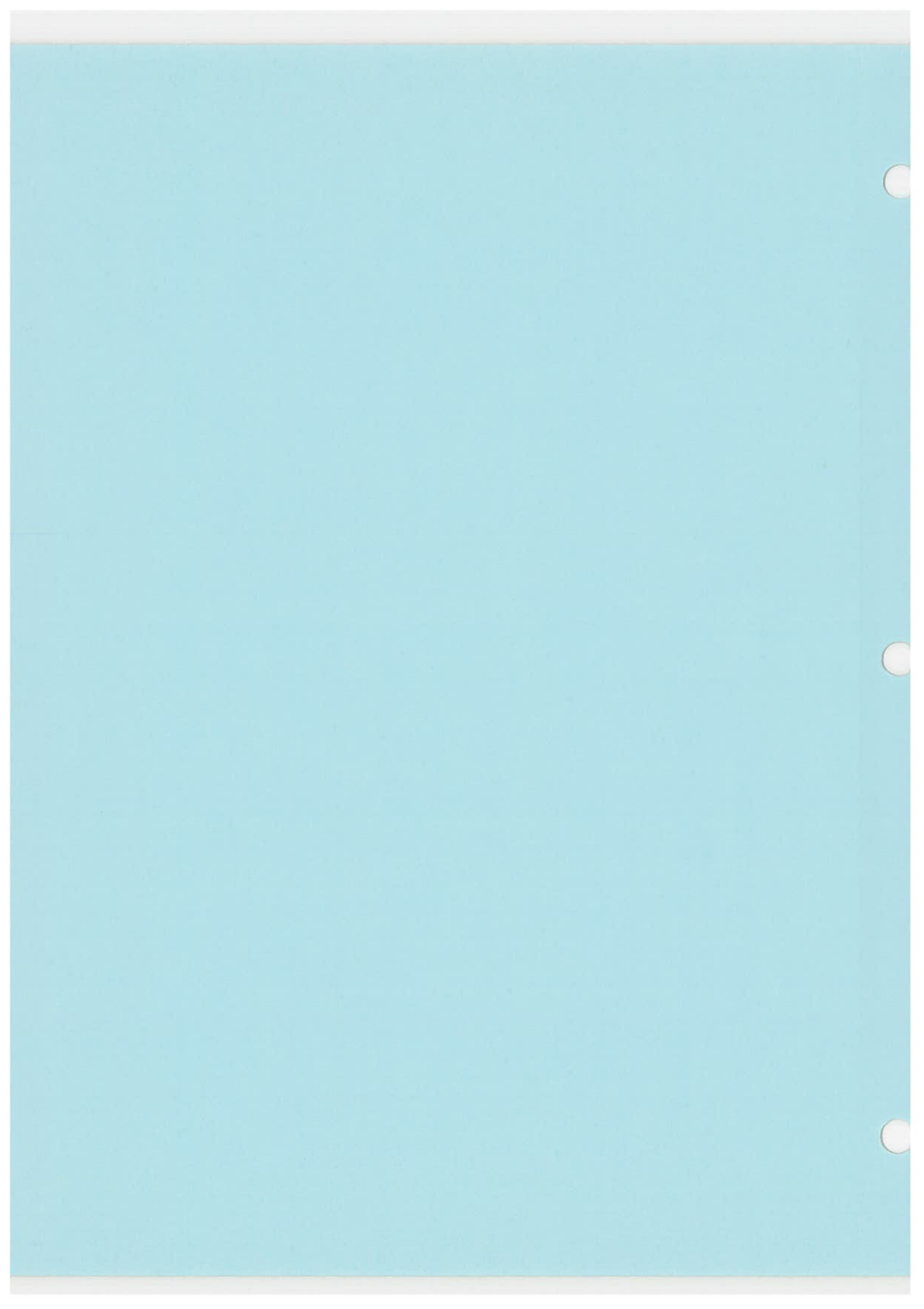
To receive a copy of the proposed amendments or to submit comments electronically, visit Ecology's Web site at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/wrhome.html>. Written comments and questions should be mailed to Rebecca Inman, Dept. of Ecology, P.O. Box 47600, Olympia, Wash., 98504-7600, or faxed to 360-407-6574.

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Media contact: Curt Hart, Public Information Manager, 360-407-7139; pager, 360-971-9610

For more information about the rule: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/wrhome.html>







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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Bring Back the Natives Grant Program	This National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) program provides funds to restore damaged or degraded riverine habitats and their native aquatic species through watershed restoration and improved land management. Funding is provided by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), USDA Forest Service (FS), and NFWF. Successful projects will support the applied ecosystem strategy of BLM, BOR, FWS, FS, and NFWF and address any or all of the following: (1) revised land management practices to eliminate causes of habitat degradation; (2) multiple species benefits, (3) direct benefits to native fish and aquatic community resources in watersheds with land managed by BLM, BOR, or FS; (4) multiple resource management objectives, (5) multiple project partners and innovative partnerships; (6) where appropriate, demonstration of a landscape ecosystem approach; and (7) innovative projects that develop new technology that can be shared with others.	\$ 800,000

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Funding Program Name: Bring Back the Natives Grant Program

Application Deadline	This program has two funding cycles. Applications are due 07/15/2002 and 12/15/2002
When Funds are Available	Funds are usually ready for disbursement several months after the grant is awarded. Funds are given out on a reimbursement basis, so fund disbursement depends on the grantee's particular project.
Average annual number of applicants	N/A
Typical percentage of applicants funded	N/A
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	A 1:1 match is required, but at least a 2:1 match is preferred. Applicants with a 2:1 or higher match will be competitive in the selection process.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 800,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 1,000,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 700,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$100,000
Typical median amount awarded	Not available
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Krystyna Wolniakowski National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Pacific Northwest Office

	806 SW Broadway, Suite 750 Portland, OR 97205
Primary Telephone	(503) 417-8700
Primary Email	krystyna.wolniakowski@nfwf.org
Primary Internet	www.nfwf.org/
Secondary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Intermountain West Region Rocky Mountain Arsenal 72d & Quebec, Bldg 11, Box 19 Commerce City, CO 80022
Secondary Telephone	(303) 289-0526
Secondary Email	cynthia.johnson@nfwf.org
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	None
Associated Keywords	Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Research , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Clean Water State Revolving Fund	EPA awards grants to states to capitalize their Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRFs). The states, through the CWSRF, make loans for high-priority water quality activities. As loan recipients make payments back into the fund, money is available for new loans to be issued to other recipients. Eligible projects include point source, nonpoint source and estuary protection projects. Point source projects typically include building wastewater treatment facilities; combined sewer overflow and sanitary sewer overflow correction; urban stormwater control; and water quality aspects of landfill projects. Nonpoint source projects include agricultural, silviculture, rural, and some urban runoff control; on-site wastewater disposal systems (septic tanks); land conservation and riparian buffers; leaking underground storage tank remediation, etc. Estuary protection projects include all of the above point and nonpoint source projects, as well as habitat restoration and other unique estuary projects.	Approximately \$ 4 billion

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Funding Program Name: Clean Water State Revolving Fund

Application Deadline	Varies by state. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific application schedule. For more information refer to the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Varies by state. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under
Average annual number of applicants	Varies by state. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Varies by state. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under
Is a matched amount required?	No
Match Amount	Projects funded with CWSRF loans do not have a match requirement. States receive the capitalization grants and are required to contribute 20% state match. The match requirement is not passed on to the loan recipients.
Funding Level FY 2003	Approximately \$ 4 billion
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 4.4 billion
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 3.8 billion
Typical lowest amount awarded	No statutory limit. States may establish individual state limits. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under
Typical highest amount awarded	No statutory limit. States may establish individual state limits. Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under
Typical median amount	Contact your state CWSRF for state-specific information. Click on the internet site listed under

awarded	
Other details on funding	Annual funding reflects total funding available, not just EPA appropriations.
Primary Address	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Wastewater Management, Municipal Support Division, SRF Branch (4204M) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001
Primary Telephone	(202) 564-0752
Primary Email	www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/cwsrfcomments.htm
Primary Internet	www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/contacts.htm
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	Clean Water Act, secs. 601-607, Public Law 95-217
Associated Keywords	Air Quality/Deposition , Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Enforcement/Compliance , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Ground Water , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Point Source Control , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Solid Waste , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Community Development Block Grant Program	The Department of Housing and Urban Development sponsors this program, intended to develop viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and by expanding economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. Recipients may initiate activities directed toward neighborhood revitalization, economic development, and provision of improved community facilities and services. Specific activities may include public services, acquisition of real property, relocation and demolition, rehabilitation of structures, and provision of public facilities and improvements, such as new or improved water and sewer facilities.	\$ 4,346,000,000

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Funding Program Name: Community Development Block Grant Program

Application Deadline	Varies by community. Contact your HUD field office. For more information refer to the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Grantees have program year start dates between January 1 and October 1.
Average annual number of applicants	Approximately 1,060
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Not available
Is a matched amount required?	No
Match Amount	N/A
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 4,346,000,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 4.431 billion
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 4.399 billion
Typical lowest amount awarded	No minimum. Formula allocations.
Typical highest amount awarded	Approximately \$220 million
Typical median amount awarded	Not available
Other details on funding	N/A

Primary Address	Contact HUD field office: see the primary and secondary Internet addresses provided.
Primary Telephone	(202) 708-3587
Primary Email	Please contact by telephone or mail
Primary Internet	www.hud.gov/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/cdbg.html
Secondary Address	Headquarters: Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Block Grant Assistance, Community Planning and Development 451 7th Street, SW Washington, DC 20410
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm or www.cfda.gov (Search the catalog of federal domestic assistance using all these keywords: community, block, development)
Legislative Authority	Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Title I, as amended
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Economic Development , Land Acquisition , Planning , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater , Watershed Management
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
<u>Community-Based Restoration Program</u>	The NOAA Community-based Restoration Program (CRP) provides funds for small-scale, locally driven habitat restoration projects that foster natural resource stewardship within communities. The program seeks to bring together diverse partners to implement habitat restoration projects to benefit living marine resources. Projects might include restoring salt marshes, mangroves, and other coastal habitats; improving fish passage and habitat quality for anadromous species; restoring and creating oyster reefs, removing exotic vegetation and replanting with native species; removing dams; and similar projects to restore habitat or improve habitat quality for populations of marine and anadromous fish. Partnerships are sought at the national and local level to contribute funding, land, technical assistance, workforce support, or other in-kind services.	\$ 10,000,000

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Funding Program Name: Community-Based Restoration Program

Application Deadline	Application deadlines vary for each funding opportunity. Application information is posted on the NOAA Restoration Center home page. For more information refer to the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Funds are available on an ongoing basis throughout the year dependent on request for proposals deadline.
Average annual number of applicants	450
Typical percentage of applicants funded	25%
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	1:1 match is usually required. The match may be cash, salary, equipment, supplies, in-kind services and labor.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 10,000,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 10,000,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 8,000,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$150,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$40,000
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary	U.S. Department of Commerce

Address	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Office of Habitat Conservation, HC-3 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910
Primary Telephone	(301) 713-0174
Primary Email	alison.ward@noaa.gov or robin.brucker@noaa.gov
Primary Internet	http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding_opportunities
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/cfda/p11463.htm
Legislative Authority	Multiple authorizations, including the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act U.S.C. 661-666
Associated Keywords	Coastal Waters , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Invasive Species Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Restoration Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Wetlands
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Local Government , State/Territorial Tribal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund	The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund provides financial assistance to states and territories that have entered into cooperative agreements with the USFWS to assist in the development of programs for the conservation of endangered and threatened species. The assistance provided to the state or territorial wildlife agency can include animal, plant, and habitat surveys; research; planning; monitoring; habitat protection, restoration, management, and acquisition; and public education. The Fund is dispersed to the states and territories through four programs: Conservation Grants, Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance Grants, Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition Grants, and Recovery Land Acquisition Grants. Although not directly eligible for these grants, third parties such as nonprofit organizations and local governments may work with their state or territorial wildlife agency to apply for these funds.	\$ 80,473,500

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Funding Program Name: Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund

Application Deadline	Varies each year. For more information refer to the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Varies by program element
Average annual number of applicants	Varies
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Varies by program element
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	A non-federal match of 25 percent of the program costs is the minimum required except when two or more states have a common interest in one or more endangered species and enter into a joint agreement whereupon the federal share is 90 percent.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 80,473,500
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 96,200,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 104,430,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$ 1,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$ 14,000,000
Typical median amount awarded	Varies by program element
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Contact the state U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office directly.
Primary Telephone	

Primary Email	See http://offices.fws.gov/statelinks.html for contact information.
Primary Internet	http://offices.fws.gov/statelinks.html
Secondary Address	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP-4020 Arlington, VA 22203
Secondary Telephone	(703) 358-2061
Secondary Email	Don_Morgan@fws.gov
Secondary Internet	www.endangered.fws.gov/grants/
Legislative Authority	Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (section 6 of the Endangered Species Act)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Outreach/Education , Enforcement/Compliance , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Ground Water , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Planning , Research , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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<u>Cooperative Forestry Assistance Programs</u>	Through its Forest Legacy Program (FLP), the USDA Forest Service supports state efforts to protect environmentally sensitive forest lands. Designed to encourage the protection of privately owned forest lands, FLP is an entirely voluntary program. The program helps fund the acquisition of forest land or partial interests in privately owned forest lands. It encourages and supports the acquisition of conservation easements, legally binding agreements transferring a negotiated set of property rights from one party to another, without removing the property from private ownership or the local tax rolls. FLP conservation easements restrict development, require sustainable forestry practices, protect a range of public vales, and sometimes require public access for recreation.	\$ 69,873,000

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Funding Program Name: Cooperative Forestry Assistance Programs

Application Deadline	Applications are submitted to the state lead agency in each participating state. While some states have discrete open seasons others accept applications year-round. For more information refer to the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Funds are available upon the closing of the real estate transaction of the acquisition of land or interest in lands
Average annual number of applicants	Unknown. Project proposals are reviewed by States and only priority projects are submitted to the Forest Service for funding
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Unknown
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	The federal government may fund up to 75% of program costs, with at least 25% coming from private, state or local sources.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 69,873,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 65,000,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 59,716,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	No minimum. However, lowest award in FY 2002 was \$57,000
Typical highest amount awarded	No maximum. The highest award in FY 2002 was \$7,000,000
Typical median amount awarded	Average awards range between \$500,000 to \$1,000,000
Other details on funding	N/A

Primary Address	Private landowners should contact their state lead forestry agency directly for more information (see www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/flp.htm for contact information)
Primary Telephone	
Primary Email	
Primary Internet	www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/flp.htm (includes a list of state and regional Forest Service contacts)
Secondary Address	U.S. Forest Service Cooperative Forestry P.O. Box 96090 Washington, D.C. 20060-6090
Secondary Telephone	202-205-1469
Secondary Email	rcooksey@fs.fed.us
Secondary Internet	www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/flp.htm
Legislative Authority	The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act (CFAA) of 1978, as amended (16 U.S.C. 2103c et.seq.)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Forests , Land Acquisition , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Research , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Private Landowner , Conservation District , State/Territorial Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Five-Star Restoration Program	<p>The EPA supports the Five-Star Restoration Program by providing funds to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and its partners, the National Association of Counties, NOAA's Community-based Restoration Program and the Wildlife Habitat Council. These groups then make subgrants to support community-based wetland and riparian restoration projects. Competitive projects will have a strong on-the-ground habitat restoration component that provides long-term ecological, educational, and/or socioeconomic benefits to the people and their community. Preference will be given to projects that are part of a larger watershed or community stewardship effort and include a description of long-term management activities. Projects must involve contributions from multiple and diverse partners, including citizen volunteer organizations, corporations, private landowners, local conservation organizations, youth groups, charitable foundations, and other federal, state, and tribal agencies and local governments. Each project would ideally involve at least five partners who are expected to contribute funding, land, technical assistance, workforce support, or other in-kind services that are equivalent to the federal contribution.</p>	<p>\$ 496,750</p>

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Funding Program Name: Five-Star Restoration Program

Application Deadline	January/February
When Funds are Available	June 15, 2003
Average annual number of applicants	200-250
Typical percentage of applicants funded	20-25%
Is a matched amount required?	Not applicable
Match Amount	N/A
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 496,750
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 500,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 500,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$ 5,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$20,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$10,000
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds (4502F)

	Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460
Primary Telephone	202) 566-1350
Primary Email	pai.john@epa.gov
Primary Internet	www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/restore/5star/
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	Clean Water Act, section 104(b)(3)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Flood Mitigation Assistance Program	The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program helps states and communities identify and implement measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to homes and other structures insurable under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Projects may include (1) elevation, relocation, or demolition of insured structures; (2) acquisition of insured structures and property; (3) minor, localized structural projects that are not fundable by state or other federal programs (erosion-control and drainage improvements); and (4) beach nourishment activities such as planting of dune grass.	20 million (for two years)

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Funding Program Name: Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

Application Deadline	Established by states
When Funds are Available	FMA funds are available for a two year period starting October 1 of Year 1 and ending September 30 of Year 2.
Average annual number of applicants	55 States and territories are eligible to participate in this program. Communities typically apply as subgrantees through their respective States. Communities in non-participating States can apply directly to FEMA.
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Not Available
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	25% of total project costs. Of the 25%, no more than half can be provided as in-kind contributions from third parties.
Funding Level FY 2003	20 million (for two years)
Funding Level FY 2002	20 million
Funding Level FY 2001	20 million
Typical lowest amount awarded	110000
Typical highest amount awarded	Not Available
Typical median amount awarded	
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Contact regional office. On the Web at: http://www.fema.gov/regions/index.shtm

Primary Telephone	See Regional Listing
Primary Email	Please contact by telephone or mail
Primary Internet	http://www.fema.gov/fima/fma.shtm
Secondary Address	Headquarters: Federal Emergency Management Agency Mitigation Directorate 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472
Secondary Telephone	(202) 646-4621
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	http://www.fema.gov/fima/
Legislative Authority	National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, 42 U.S.C 4101
Associated Keywords	Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Fisheries , Land Acquisition , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Stormwater Management , Wetlands
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Landowner Incentive Program (Non-Tribal)	The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Landowner Incentive Program (LIP) grant program provides competitive matching grants to states, territories, and the District of Columbia to establish or supplement landowner incentive programs. These programs provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners for projects that protect and restore habitats of listed species or species determined to be at-risk. LIP projects will likely involve activities such as the restoration of marginal farmlands to wetlands, the removal of exotic plants to restore natural prairies, a change in grazing practices and fencing to enhance important riparian habitats, instream structural improvements to benefit aquatic species, road closures to protect habitats and reduce harassment of wildlife, and acquisition of conservation easements. Although not directly eligible for these grants, third parties such as nonprofit organizations may benefit from these funds by working directly with their states to see if either grants or partnering opportunities are available.	\$40,000,000

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Funding Program Name: Landowner Incentive Program (Non-Tribal)

Application Deadline	Varies. For updated information click on the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	Annually. See secondary internet contact web site for more information.
Average annual number of applicants	Not available yet; new program in FY2002
Typical percentage of applicants funded	New program FY2002
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	A 25 percent non-federal match is required (cash, in-kind services, or a combination of the two are accepted as match).
Funding Level FY 2003	\$40,000,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$40 million
Funding Level FY 2001	None (New program FY2002)
Typical lowest amount awarded	New program FY2002
Typical highest amount awarded	No state may receive more than 1.74 million
Typical median amount awarded	New program FY2002
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Contact the state fish and wildlife office directly. On the Web at: http://offices.fws.gov/statelinks.html
Primary Telephone	
Primary Email	See http://offices.fws.gov/statelinks.html

	for contact information
Primary Internet	http://offices.fws.gov/statelinks.html
Secondary Address	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Federal Aid, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP-4020 Arlington, VA 22203
Secondary Telephone	703-358-2156
Secondary Email	tim_hess@fws.gov
Secondary Internet	www.fws.gov (for dates when funding will become available)
Legislative Authority	Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2002 and other previous legislation.
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Private Landowner , State/Territorial Agency

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Program Name <small><i>(Click for further contact information)</i></small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
<u>Migratory Bird Conservancy</u>	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's (NFWF) Migratory Bird Conservancy (MBC) program is a bird conservation grant fund supported by donations from birding businesses and their customers, and matched by NFWF. The MBC will fund projects that directly address conservation of priority bird habitats in the Western Hemisphere. Acquisition, restoration, and improved management of habitats are program priorities. Education, research, and monitoring will be considered only as components of actual habitat conservation projects.	\$ 200,000

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Funding Program Name: Migratory Bird Conservancy

Application Deadline	Full proposals are due 07/15.
When Funds are Available	TBD
Average annual number of applicants	50
Typical percentage of applicants funded	less than 5%
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	All grantees will be required to match Migratory Bird Conservancy awards on at least a one-to-one level with cash or tangible in-kind contributions. Although a one-to-one match is the minimum, to be competitive applicants should attempt to obtain a two-t
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 200,000
Funding Level FY 2002	Not available
Funding Level FY 2001	Not available
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$60,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$30,000
Other details on funding	(Please see the primary internet contact Web site for the latest information).
Primary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1875 Century Blvd., Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30345

Primary Telephone	(404) 679-7209
Primary Email	moore@nfwf.org
Primary Internet	www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm
Secondary Address	1120 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036
Secondary Telephone	(202) 857-0166
Secondary Email	stangel@nfwf.org
Secondary Internet	www.conservebirds.org
Legislative Authority	None
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Outreach/Education , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation General Challenge Grants	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation operates a conservation grants program that awards challenge grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible grant recipients. Grants are awarded to projects that: (1) address priority actions promoting fish and wildlife conservation and the habitats on which they depend; (2) work proactively to involve other conservation and community interests; (3) leverage available funding; and (4) evaluate project outcomes.	\$ 4,000,000

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Funding Program Name: National Fish and Wildlife Foundation General Challenge Grants

Application Deadline	Preproposals due 06/01 or 10/15 each year. Full proposals are due 7/15 or 12/01. Please contact the NFWF prior to submitting a proposal to determine if your project is competitive.
When Funds are Available	11/30/02 or 4/30/03
Average annual number of applicants	1000
Typical percentage of applicants funded	25% of pre-proposal applicants requested to submit full proposal; 75% of full proposal applicants funded.
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	NFWF seeks to achieve at least a 2:1 return on its project portfolio -- \$2 raised in challenge funds to every federal matching dollar awarded.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 4,000,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 4,000,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 4,000,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$150,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$35,000
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW,

	Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036
Primary Telephone	Varies by region. See www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm for contact information.
Primary Email	decarolis@nfwf.org
Primary Internet	www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
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Legislative Authority	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 USC 3701, as amended)
Associated Keywords	Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Native Plant Conservation Initiative	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Native Plant Conservation Initiative (NPCI) supports on-the-ground conservation projects that protect, enhance, and/or restore native plant communities on public and private land. Projects typically fall into one of three categories and may contain elements of each: protection and restoration, information and education, and inventory and assessment. Applicants are encouraged, when appropriate, to include a pollinator component in their project. This program is funded by the Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service.	Cannot be determined

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Funding Program Name: Native Plant Conservation Initiative

Application Deadline	This program has two funding cycles. Proposals are due 07/15 or 12/01. Please contact the NFWF prior to submitting a proposal to determine if your project is competitive.
When Funds are Available	Due to the nature of the federal funds the Foundation administers for this RFP, all awards are contingent upon the Foundation's receipt of the funds from each of the federal agency partners and their allocations to each of the initiatives under this RFP.
Average annual number of applicants	50
Typical percentage of applicants funded	20%
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	Applicant must contribute a minimum of 50% of the total project cost through non-federal matching funds or non-federal in-kind services.
Funding Level FY 2003	Cannot be determined
Funding Level FY 2002	\$410,800
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 498,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$50,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$35,000

Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036
Primary Telephone	(202) 857-0166
Primary Email	caroline.cremer@nfwf.org
Primary Internet	www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	None
Associated Keywords	Best Management Practices , Outreach/Education , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Partnerships , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Private Stewardship Grants Program	The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Private Stewardship Grants Program (PSGP) provides grants and other assistance on a competitive basis to individuals and groups engaged in private conservation efforts that benefit species listed or proposed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, candidate species, or other at-risk species on private lands within the United States. Examples of the types of projects that may be funded include managing nonnative competitors, reintroducing imperiled species, implementing measures to minimize risk from disease in imperiled species populations, restoring streams that support imperiled species, fencing to exclude animals from sensitive habitats, and planting native vegetation to restore a rare plant community.	\$ 10 million

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Funding Program Name: Private Stewardship Grants Program

Application Deadline	Varies. For updated information click on the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	The Service will issue a request for proposals shortly after the FY03 funding is made available.
Average annual number of applicants	N/A: New program in 2002
Typical percentage of applicants funded	N/A: New program in 2002
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	A ten percent (10%) non-federal match of cash or in-kind contributions will be required
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 10 million
Funding Level FY 2002	N/A: New program in 2002
Funding Level FY 2001	N/A: New program in 2002
Typical lowest amount awarded	N/A: New program in 2002
Typical highest amount awarded	N/A: New program in 2002
Typical median amount awarded	N/A: New program in 2002
Other details on funding	N/A

Primary Address	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 420, Arlington, VA 22203
Primary Telephone	(703) 358-2061
Primary Email	Don_Morgan@fws.gov
Primary Internet	http://endangered.fws.gov/grants/private_stewardship.html
Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002, H.R. 2217/P.L.107-63
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Local Government

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Public Works and Development Facilities Program	This program provides assistance to help distressed communities attract new industry, encourage business expansion, diversify local economies, and generate long-term, private sector jobs. Among the types of projects funded are water and sewer facilities, primarily serving industry and commerce; access roads to industrial parks or sites; port improvements; business incubator facilities; technology infrastructure; sustainable development activities; export programs; brownfields redevelopment; aquaculture facilities; and other infrastructure projects. Specific activities may include demolition, renovation, and construction of public facilities; provision of water or sewer infrastructure; or the development of stormwater control mechanisms (e.g., a retention pond) as part of an industrial park or other eligible project.	Not available

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Funding Program Name: Public Works and Development Facilities Program

Application Deadline	Applications are accepted on a continuous basis and are processed as funds become available. Funding information appears annually in the Federal Register.
When Funds are Available	
Average annual number of applicants	
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Not available
Is a matched amount required?	Not applicable
Match Amount	
Funding Level FY 2003	Not available
Funding Level FY 2002	Not available
Funding Level FY 2001	Not available
Typical lowest amount awarded	Not available
Typical highest amount awarded	Not available
Typical median amount awarded	
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Contact EDA regional office
Primary Telephone	(202) 482-5268
Primary Email	Please contact by telephone or mail
Primary Internet	http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/cfda/p11300.htm

Secondary Address	Headquarters: U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, Public Works Division 14th Street and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	http://www.doc.gov/eda/
Legislative Authority	Economic Development Administration Reform Act (Public Law 105-393), which replaces and amends the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965.
Associated Keywords	Drinking water , Economic Development , Pollution Prevention , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Science to Achieve Results	<p>The Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program is designed to improve the quality of science used in EPA's decision-making process. STAR funds are provided for research in the following six areas: (1) Safe Drinking Water (includes source water protection), (2) High Priority Air Pollutants, (3) Research to Improve Human Health Risk Assessment, (4) Research to Improve Ecological Risk Assessment, (5) Emerging Issues, and (6) Pollution Prevention and New Technologies. The STAR program is intended to facilitate cooperation between EPA and the scientific community to help forge solutions to environmental problems. Research topic solicitations vary and are advertised in the Federal Register and through the Internet, university and scientific organizations, direct mail, and other avenues.</p>	Not available

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Funding Program Name: Science to Achieve Results

Application Deadline	Varies
When Funds are Available	
Average annual number of applicants	
Typical percentage of applicants funded	Not available
Is a matched amount required?	No
Match Amount	
Funding Level FY 2003	Not available
Funding Level FY 2002	Not available
Funding Level FY 2001	Not available
Typical lowest amount awarded	Not available
Typical highest amount awarded	Not available
Typical median amount awarded	
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency National Center for Environmental Research and Quality Assurance (8701), Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460
Primary Telephone	(800) 490-9194
Primary Email	See Communicate option on NCERQA Internet site
Primary Internet	http://www.epa.gov/ncerqa/

Secondary Address	
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	Clean Air Act of 1963; Clean Water Act; Solid Waste Disposal Act, section 8001; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976; Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974; Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, Public Law 92-516; Toxic Substances Control Act; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, Public Law 95-510.
Associated Keywords	Air Quality/Deposition , Agriculture , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Outreach/Education , Enforcement/Compliance , Forests , Ground Water , Monitoring , Pollution Prevention , Research , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Solid Waste , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Seeking Common Ground	The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Seeking Common Ground (SCG) program is a nationally-sponsored partnership effort undertaken by federal and state government agencies and private conservation organizations to achieve a common goal: maintaining and improving the health of America's rangelands for the benefit of wildlife. SCG funds demonstration projects in the eleven western states that focus on reducing the conflicts between wildlife interests and competing rangeland interests, such as those of the grazing, mining, timber, and oil and gas industries. SCG seeks to maintain and improve the condition of rangeland ecosystems by: (1) promoting long-term partnerships and coordinated rangeland resource management between private landowners, wildlife and livestock interests, and federal, state, and local government agencies; (2) promoting individual landowner's stewardship of rangelands; and (3) improving communications between rangeland users.	\$200,000 (estimated)

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Funding Program Name: Seeking Common Ground

Application Deadline	This program has two funding cycles. Preproposals are due either 06/01 or 10/15. Full proposals are due either 07/15 or 12/01.
When Funds are Available	11/1/02 and 2/1/03
Average annual number of applicants	Between eight and twelve applicants
Typical percentage of applicants funded	40%
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	Every federal dollar must be matched with two non-federal dollars (in-kind contributions are eligible in addition to cash donations)
Funding Level FY 2003	\$200,000 (estimated)
Funding Level FY 2002	\$200,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 200,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$10,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$100,000
Typical median amount awarded	\$40,000
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Rocky Mtn. Arsenal, Bldg. 111, Box 19, Commerce City, CO 80022

Primary Telephone	(303) 289-0112
Primary Email	ocepek@nfwf.org
Primary Internet	www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm
Secondary Address	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036
Secondary Telephone	(202) 857-5672
Secondary Email	kania@nfwf.org
Secondary Internet	www.seekingcommonground.com
Legislative Authority	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Enabling Act
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Point Source Control , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grants	The U.S. Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program seeks to establish sustainable urban and community forests by encouraging communities to manage and protect their natural resources. The program works to achieve a number of goals, including (1) effectively communicating information about the social, economic, and ecological values of urban and community forests; (2) involving diverse resource professionals in urban and community forestry issues; and (3) supporting a holistic view of urban and community forestry. In particular, the program supports an ecosystem approach to managing urban forests for their benefits to air quality, stormwater runoff, wildlife and fish habitat, and other related ecosystem concerns. The Forest Service awards these grants based on recommendations made by The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, a 15-member advisory council created by the 1990 Farm Bill to provide advice to the Secretary of Agriculture on urban and community forestry.	\$ 1,000,000

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Funding Program Name: Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grants

Application Deadline	The annual Request for Pre-Proposals is released the first week in October. Pre-proposals are due the second Tuesday of December. In mid-February, applicants are notified if they were selected to submit a full proposal and unsuccessful applicants are notified. Full proposals are due in mid-April. In mid-June, applicants are notified if they were selected for funding and unsuccessful applicants are notified.
When Funds are Available	After mid-June and prior to September 30.
Average annual number of applicants	125
Typical percentage of applicants funded	8%
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	All grant funds must be matched at least equally (dollar for dollar) with non-federal source funds. This match may include in-kind donations, volunteer assistance, and private and public (non-federal) monetary contributions.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 1,000,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 1,000,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 998,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$3,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$250,000
Typical median	\$125,000

amount awarded	
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Suzanne M. del Villar, NUCFAC Council Program Manager National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council USDA Forest Service 2000 Ascot Parkway, Unit 3816 Vallejo, CA 94591
Primary Telephone	(707) 642-9201
Primary Email	sdelvillar@fs.fed.us
Primary Internet	www.treelink.org/nucfac/ccs_info.htm
Secondary Address	USDA Forest Service, Urban and Community Forestry, Stop Code 1123, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-1123
Secondary Telephone	(202) 205-1054
Secondary Email	tmcwhirt@fs.fed.us
Secondary Internet	www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/ucf_general.htm
Legislative Authority	Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, Section 9
Associated Keywords	Air Quality/Deposition , Best Management Practices , Drinking water , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Enforcement/Compliance , Forests , Invasive Species , Ground Water , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Water Quality Cooperative Agreements	These EPA grants are provided to help states, Indian tribes, interstate agencies, and other public or nonprofit organizations develop, implement, and demonstrate innovative approaches relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution. This includes watershed approaches for combined sewer overflow, sanitary sewer overflows, and storm water discharge problems, pretreatment and sludge (biosolids) program activities, decentralized systems, and alternative ways to measure the effectiveness of point source programs. The estimate of funds available for fiscal year 2003 includes \$20 million that has been requested for a new Watershed Initiative (WSI) program. Details for that program are currently being developed. If funds are appropriated for this program separate guidelines will be developed for the submittal, review, and approval of WSI projects.	\$ 18,835,000 (estimated) (\$15,000,000 requested for the New Watershed Initiative)

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Funding Program Name: Water Quality Cooperative Agreements

Application Deadline	Request for Initial Proposals for HQ Award are issued on an annual basis. Unsolicited proposals may be considered.
When Funds are Available	Prospective grantees should work with the appropriate Regional or Headquarters Office to develop a preliminary package or proposals, and submit these to the Regions. Deadlines are established by the Regional and Headquarters offices individually. It is
Average annual number of applicants	450
Typical percentage of applicants funded	10%
Is a matched amount required?	No
Match Amount	N/A
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 18,835,000 (estimated) (\$15,000,000 requested for the New Watershed Initiative)
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 18,958,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 18,958,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$5,000
Typical highest amount awarded	\$ 500,000
Typical median	Average amount awarded is \$100,000

amount awarded	
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Barron Benroth Office of Wastewater Management (4204M), U.S. EPA, Room 7324J, EPA East, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington DC 20460
Primary Telephone	(202) 564-0672
Primary Email	benroth.barry@epa.gov
Primary Internet	www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/waterquality.htm
Secondary Address	Contact the appropriate EPA Regional Office
Secondary Telephone	
Secondary Email	
Secondary Internet	www.epa.gov/owm/mab/indian/104coord.htm
Legislative Authority	Clean Water Act, Section 104(b)(3), Public Law 92-500, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(3)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Point Source Control , Pollution Prevention , Research , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Watershed Assistance Grants	Today's water quality challenges include habitat loss and nonpoint source pollution from urban, rural, and rapidly growing areas. This pollution impacts the quality of surface and ground water supplies, many of which serve as drinking water sources. Solving such challenges requires partnerships and community-led solutions. To address such challenges, EPA's Watershed Assistance Grants are founded on building cooperative agreements with one or more nonprofit organization(s) or other eligible entities to support watershed partnerships and long-term effectiveness. Funding then supports organizational development and capacity building for watershed partnerships with a diverse membership.	\$ 200,000

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Funding Program Name: Watershed Assistance Grants

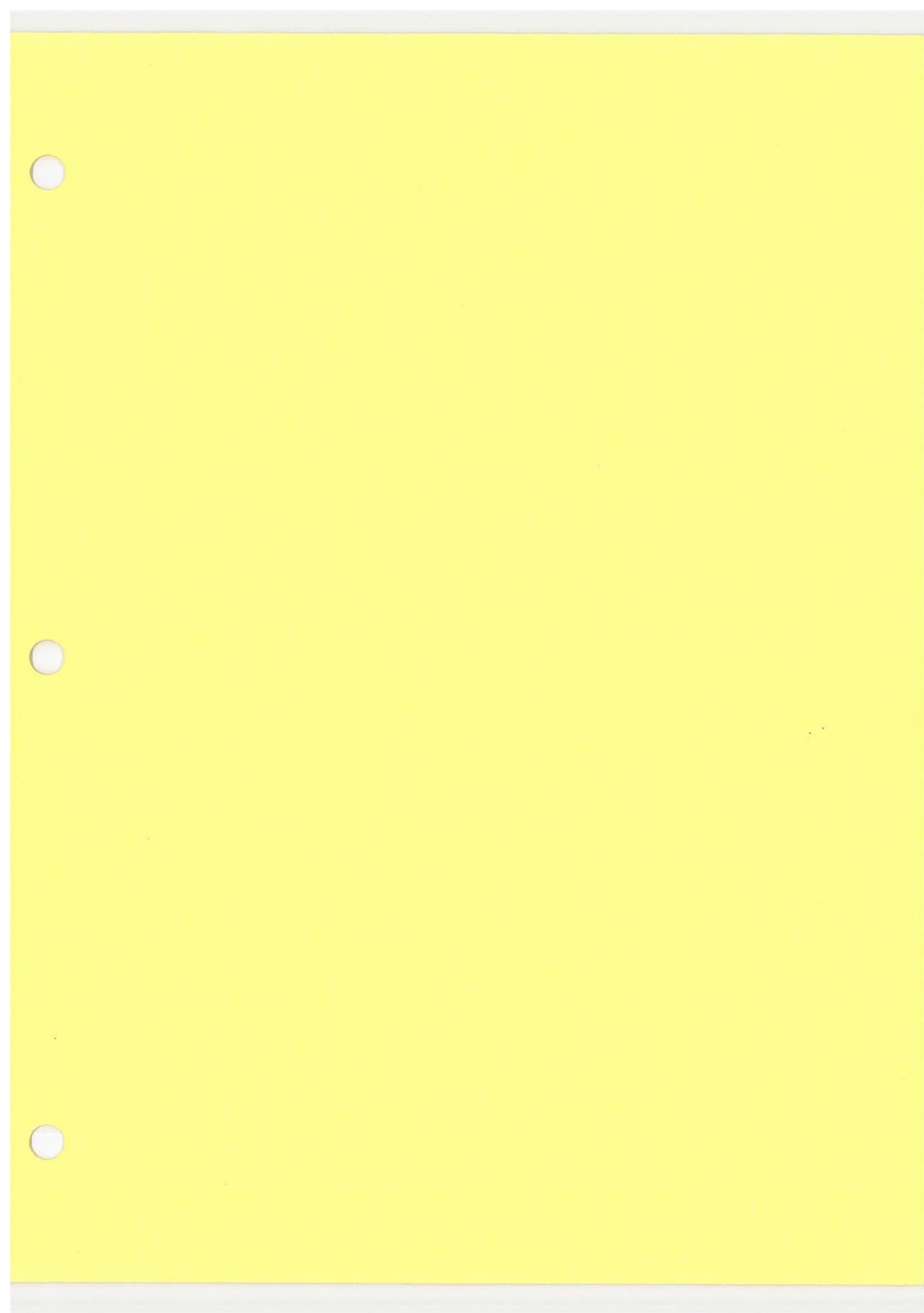
Application Deadline	Annual cycle varies. Applications are accepted in late spring or early summer; award announcements are made in early fall each year. For more information click on the link listed under "Primary Internet."
When Funds are Available	December 30, 2003
Average annual number of applicants	200
Typical percentage of applicants funded	10%
Is a matched amount required?	No
Match Amount	Match desirable - in kind and cash (but not a requirement!)
Funding Level FY 2003	\$ 200,000
Funding Level FY 2002	\$200,000
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 200,000
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$1,500
Typical highest amount awarded	\$ 30,000
Typical median amount awarded	18,000
Other details on funding	N/A

Primary Address	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds (4501T) Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460
Primary Telephone	(202) 566-1291
Primary Email	cole.james@epa.gov
Primary Internet	www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/wacademy/fund.html
Secondary Address	River Network - Attention: Kathy Luscher 520 SW 6th Avenue #1130, Portland, OR 97204
Secondary Telephone	River Network (Kathy Luscher: 1-800-423-6747)
Secondary Email	kluscher@rivernetwork.org
Secondary Internet	www.rivernetwork.org/howwecanhelp/howwag_2002cri.cfm
Legislative Authority	Clean Water Act, section 104(b)(3)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Economic Development , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Point Source Control , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Local Government , Tribal Agency

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Watershed Initiative	EPA will ask Governors and tribal leaders for nominations and select up to 20 watershed organizations to receive grants to support innovative watershed based approaches to preventing, reducing, and eliminating water pollution. Nominations that are likely to result in environmental improvements in a relatively short time frame and that show broad stakeholder involvement would be strong candidates. Preference will be given to watershed plans that involve multiple states and/or tribes. The Initiative will also support local communities in their efforts to expand and improve existing protection measures with tools, training, and technical assistance, and provide for ten Federal liaison positions.	\$14.9 million

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Funding Program Name: Watershed Initiative

Application Deadline	Nominations are due to EPA by November 21, 2002.
When Funds are Available	Late Spring 2003
Average annual number of applicants	N/A: New program in FY2003
Typical percentage of applicants funded	N/A: New program in FY2003
Is a matched amount required?	Yes
Match Amount	A minimum non-federal match of 25% of the total cost of the project or projects is required. Match may include cash or in-kind goods and services.
Funding Level FY 2003	\$14.9 million
Funding Level FY 2002	N/A: New program in FY2003
Funding Level FY 2001	N/A: New program in FY2003
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$ 300,000 (anticipated)
Typical highest amount awarded	\$ 1,300,000 (anticipated)
Typical median amount awarded	N/A: New program in FY2003
Other details on funding	N/A

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Primary Telephone	202-566-1304
Primary Email	peterson.carol@epa.gov
Primary Internet	www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/initiative.html
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Legislative Authority	Section 104(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Drinking water , Outreach/Education , Fisheries , Forests , Ground Water , Land Acquisition , Monitoring , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Point Source Control , Pollution Prevention , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Wastewater , Water Conservation ; Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
Eligible Organizations	Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Conservation District , Water and Wastewater Utilities , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency

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Program Name <i>(Click for further contact information)</i>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Watershed Processes and Water Resources Program	The Watershed Processes program sponsors basic and mission-linked research that address two areas: (1) Understanding fundamental processes controlling a) source areas and flow pathways of water, b) the transport and fate of water, sediment, nutrients, dissolved matter, and organisms (including water-borne pathogens), within forest, rangeland, and agricultural environments as influenced by watershed characteristics and contaminant origin, and c) water quality. (2) Developing appropriate technology and management practices for improving the effective use of water (consumptive and non-consumptive) and protecting or improving water quality for agricultural and forestry production, including the evaluation of management policies that affect the quantity and quality of water resources.	\$4.2 million

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Funding Program Name: Watershed Processes and Water Resources Program

Application Deadline	Ongoing. November 1 is the deadline for funds available July or later.
When Funds are Available	15-Aug-03
Average annual number of applicants	120
Typical percentage of applicants funded	15%
Is a matched amount required?	Case-dependant
Match Amount	Match is required for commodity specific research (e.g., corn, soybeans)
Funding Level FY 2003	\$4.2 million
Funding Level FY 2002	\$ 4.2 million
Funding Level FY 2001	\$ 3.9 million
Typical lowest amount awarded	\$ 40,000 per year
Typical highest amount awarded	\$ 150,000 per year
Typical median amount awarded	\$276,000 for 03, It has been consistently over \$200,000 for the last 3 years.
Other details on funding	N/A
Primary Address	Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program Mail Stop 2240 1400 Independence Ave., SW Washington, DC 20250-2240

Primary Telephone	(202) 401-5176
Primary Email	ncavallaro@csrees.usda.gov
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Legislative Authority	Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (PL105-185)
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Ground Water , Nonpoint Source Control , Pollution Prevention , Research , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Water Conservation , Watershed Management , Wetlands
Eligible Organizations	Business , Community/Watershed Group , Nonprofit Groups , Educational Institution , Private Landowner , Conservation District , Local Government , State/Territorial Agency , Tribal Agency , Federal Agency

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Program Name <small>(Click for further contact information)</small>	Overview	FY 2003 Funding Levels
Wetlands Reserve Program	Through this voluntary program, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provides landowners with financial incentives to restore and protect wetlands in exchange for retiring marginal agricultural land. To participate in the program landowners may sell a conservation easement or enter into a cost-share restoration agreement (landowners voluntarily limit future use of the land, but retain private ownership). Landowners and the NRCS jointly develop a plan for the restoration and maintenance of the wetland.	Unknown

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Funding Program Name: Wetlands Reserve Program

Application Deadline	Applications are accepted year-round.
When Funds are Available	Ongoing
Average annual number of applicants	3000
Typical percentage of applicants funded	dependent on acreage enrollment authority provided in the annual appropriation
Is a matched amount required?	Not applicable
Match Amount	For restoration cost-share agreements and 30 year easement participants, up to 25 % of the cost of restoring the acreage must be provided.
Funding Level FY 2003	Unknown
Funding Level FY 2002	250,000 acres
Funding Level FY 2001	139,306 acres
Typical lowest amount awarded	No minimum--varies by state
Typical highest amount awarded	No maximum--varies by state
Typical median amount awarded	Not available
Other details on funding	The program requires annual acreage enrollment authorization levels, not funding levels. Funds are provided to meet acreage levels. WRP provides three options to the landowner: 1.

	Permanent Easement: USDA purchases easement (price is lesser of the apprai
Primary Address	Contact local or state NRCS office / Conservation District office. On the Web at: http://offices.usda.gov/scripts/ndISAPI.dll/oip_public/USA_map
Primary Telephone	(202) 720-1067
Primary Email	leslie.deavers@usda.gov
Primary Internet	www.nrcs.usda.gov
Secondary Address	Headquarters: U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Watersheds and Wetlands Division P.O. Box 2890, Washington, DC 20013
Secondary Telephone	(202) 690-0848
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Secondary Internet	
Legislative Authority	Food Security Act of 1985, Title XII, Public Law 99-198, as amended; Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002
Associated Keywords	Agriculture , Best Management Practices , Coastal Waters , Fisheries , Forests , Invasive Species , Land Acquisition , Nonpoint Source Control , Partnerships , Planning , Restoration , Floodplains/Riparian Zones , Source Water Protection , Stormwater Management , Watershed Management , Wetlands , Wildlife
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