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NONPOINT SOURCE GRANTS Call for Suggestions

The information below is general information about the nonpoint source grant funding opportunity.

Any information submitted to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will become a public record, subject to disclosure in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Article 1, §24 of the Florida Constitution. Please note that submittal of a suggestion does not create an agreement, nor does it guarantee funding.

ELIGIBLE GRANT RECIPIENTS

Governmental entities in Florida, as described in Subsection 287.012(14), F.S. as well as public universities/colleges and estuary programs.

TIMEFRAME FOR SUBMITTING A PROJECT SUGGESTION

Solicitation of projects for 2020-21 funding is open for 30 days; however, projects can continue to be submitted at any time for consideration in subsequent years. Check <https://ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/Grants> for additional project suggestion timeframes for one or more grant programs.

AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE

\$6 million under line item 1636, General Appropriations Act Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED

A minimum of 40% match is required for a federal component of this funding. For the state-funded portion, match is not required but is a consideration in project selection.

TYPES OF PROJECTS ELIGIBLE

Nonpoint source pollution reduction projects (e.g. stormwater treatment), demonstration and evaluation of best management practices, green infrastructure, ground water protection from nonpoint sources, public education programs related to nonpoint source management, lateral connections for septic to sewer projects in some circumstances.

KEY FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS

- Water quality benefits
- Readiness to construct
- Project is geographically located in a water quality restoration plan (e.g. reasonable assurances plan or basin management action plan)
- Project is identified as a commitment in a water quality restoration plan
- Local commitment to project (match funding and public support)
- For education projects, number of individuals reached and types of educational events/products

FUNDING PROCESS STEPS

Once information is received via the [project suggestion sheet](#), DEP will evaluate the project. If the project is selected to move further in the review process, you will receive a follow-up call or email to discuss the project and additional information will need to be provided.

Final selections will be made this fall and will be posted on <https://ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/Grants>.



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SELECTED PROJECT NEXT STEPS

If your project is selected for funding, you will receive an email requesting a scope of work for the project including tasks to be accomplished, budget information, timelines and deliverables. The funding is provided as a cost-reimbursement grant with DEP.

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