

NCDWR Grant Programs Kevin Hart

Coastal Resiliency Funding Forum February 28, 2023



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Shallow Draft Navigation Fund

- Maintain Navigation
 - Coastal waters and Lakes
 - Material Can be used beneficially
 - Beach Nourishment
 - Living Shoreline Fill
- Local units of government
- \$3 state dollars per minimum of \$1 non-state dollars
 - \$100,000-\$Millions
- Grant amounts vary
- Rolling Cycle- No deadlines
- As funds are available
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Aquatic Weed Control

- Resources that will promote the prevention and management of noxious aquatic weed infestations.
 - Treatment
 - Assessments
 - Mapping
- Eligible applicants
 - Local Units of government
 - Public Utilities
 - Universities
 - Soil and Water
- Requests Due October 15
- \$1,000,000 available each year
 - 50% match
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Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation

- Coastal Storm Damage mitigation ocean beaches and dunes
 - Beach nourishment
 - Artificial dunes,
 - and vegetation plantings.
- Local Units of Government
- \$1 state to \$1 non-state
 - \$100,000 to \$Millions
- Application period
 - Usually once every 2 years
- As funds are available
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WRDG

- Capital Improvements
 - Match USACE Federal and local Funds
 - Flood Mitigation
 - Lumber/Tar/Neuse Basins studies
 - Beach Nourishment
 - Water Infrastructure



State & Local Projects and NRCS-EQIP Stream Restorations

State & Local Projects

- Applicant: Units of Local Government
 - NGOs can be points of contact
- Project Types: Stream Restoration, Water Management, Water-Based Recreation, Engineering & Feasibility Studies
- Match: 50% cost-share funding of nonfederal costs
- Awards up to \$200,000*
- 2 Application Cycles
 - Spring: Jan 1- June 30
 - Fall: July 1- December 31
- *Larger awards can be made on a case-bycase basis.

NRCS-EQIP

- Applicant: Units of Local Government;
 NGOs can be Co-Applicants
- Project Types: Stream Restoration projects cost shared through the federal EQIP program
- Match: 50% cost-share funding of nonfederal costs
- Awards not currently capped
- 2 Application Cycles
 - Spring: Jan 1- June 30
 - Fall: July 1- December 31



State and Local Projects

□Stream Restoration

- √ Stream Restoration & Stabilization
- ✓ Aquatic Barrier Removals > Dams, Culverts
- ✓ Shoreline Stabilization, Living Shorelines
 ✓ NRCS-EQIP > On Agricultural Lands in 33 Western NC Counties



- ✓ Stormwater BMPs: Nature-Based/Green Infrastructure
- ✓ Drainage/Flood Control

■Water-Based Recreation

- √Trails/Greenways along Streams, Rivers & Lakes
- ✓ Boardwalks, Fishing Docks, Piers, Treehouses
 ✓ Land Acquisition & Park Development

□ Feasibility/Engineering Studies ✓ Implementation of Eligible Projects Above

- ✓ Small Watershed Assessments, Water Management Studies









Nonpoint Source Pollution Management 319(h) Grant

- Section 319 of CWA
- Implement DWR-approved watershed restoration plan
 - Restores impaired waters by reducing Nonpoint Source Pollution
 - Addresses stormwater sources
- Eligible applicants
 - State Agencies
 - Local units of governments
 - Universities
 - Non-profits
 - State-recognized tribes
- 40% Non-federal match
- \$50,000-\$300,000 awards
 - Generally, \$1.5M per year
 - Climate resiliency higher priority
- Application due May 4th-Awarded July
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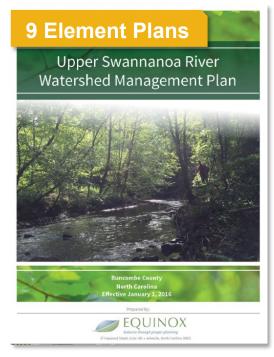






Water Quality Planning 205(j) Grant

- Identify causes of water quality problems, plan measures to address them
 - Stormwater system mapping
 - Watershed assessment
 - Develop engineering design
 - Education
 - EPA 9-Element Plans
- Eligible applicants
 - Councils of Government
- No match
 - \$20,000-\$50,000
- Applications due Mid-September
 - Awarded November
 - Climate resiliency projects higher priority
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205 (j) Grant Program

- Identify Point and Non-Point source measures to protect restore water resources.
 - Doesn't have to be impaired waters.
 - Stormwater system mapping
 - Education
 - Regional Planning
 - EPA 9-Element Plans
- No match
 - \$20,000-\$50,000
- Applications due Mid-September
 - Awarded November
 - Climate resiliency projects higher priority
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