



**Stormwater Management Grants 2022**  
for **Water Quality and Quantity**

# **RFP for Projects and Planning**

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# SW Grant 2022

## RFP for Projects and Planning

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# AGENDA

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- Project Requirements
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## **PURPOSE:**

Improve Water  
**Quality & Quantity**

## **PROBLEMS**

Flooding in NJ

Tropical Storm Ida

Increase in precipitation

Required Water related  
improvements



# Funding Sources for Stormwater Management Grants 2022

- **\$5 million**

from Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSFRF) and

- **\$2 million**

from State Corporate Business Tax Funds (CBT)

- **\$3 million**

from CBT funds for Technical Assistance

**\$10 Million Dollars for this Phase I of SW Grants**



## ELIGIBILITY

Local government

Colleges and universities

Public utilities

Private entities

Nonprofit organizations

recognized by the Internal Revenue Service under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code authorized to operate in the State of New Jersey.

An entity established as a joint meeting pursuant to **law** or an entity established pursuant to **ordinance** by the municipalities;





# Demonstration Projects

Direct  
improvements  
to **WATER  
QUALITY AND  
QUANTITY**

+  
Planning

## Department priorities

- + overburdened or underserved communities,
- + climate resilience,
- + flood attenuation





Green Infrastructure Projects  
Funds = \$ 4.5 M

Grant Categories  
Total = \$10 M  
\$7 M is for Projects/planning  
\$3 M is for Technical Assistance

Basin Retrofits  
Funds = \$1 M

Impervious areas removal and  
restoration  
Funds = \$1 M

Planning for SW Opportunities  
Funds = \$500,000

\$\$\$ monetary contributions and in-kind services can increase the proposal ranking for award selection

# FUNDING CATEGORIES

## 1. GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE



## 2. DETENTION BASIN RETROFITS





# FUNDING CATEGORIES

## 3. Restoration removal of impervious



## 4. Planning for SW opportunities



# Types of Projects not funded

Projects that do not control the input of NPS pollutants through the implementation of a Best Management Practices.

Maintenance activities such as street sweeping and catch-basin cleaning otherwise required by state or federal regulations.

Projects determined by the Department that have the potential to result in negative impacts to the environment, the watershed, ecosystem, biodiversity, or public health.

Purchase of promotional items, such as key chains, mugs, flying discs, etc.



# Eligible Project Requirements

Located on public property or on private property with an executed agreement with the property owner.

Consistent with existing local, state, and federal requirements and can obtain permits needed to implement the project

Well-designed to achieve the project goal of non-point source pollution reduction and presented in the proper sequence of events (goal/objective/task);

For proposals that do not include construction (i.e. planning, maintenance actions), the proposal must include deliverables such as schedules, reports, training/outreach products, and inventories

Able to be completed within the grant period

As applicable demonstrate an improvement in water quality. (Note: As applicable, awardees may be required to collect and provide data to demonstrate water quality improvements associated with the project)

**TIMELINE**

**RFP Grant  
Green  
Infrastructure  
Basin Retrofit  
Restoration of Imp  
Planning for SW**

Action	Responsibility	Deadline
Proposal Submission	Applicant	September 14, 2022
Funding Recommendations and Notifications	NJDEP	December 13, 2022
Return Completed Grant Agreement	Applicant	Within 30 days of receipt*
Funds must be obligated by	NJDEP	December 31, 2024
Funds must be expended, and project completed by	Applicant	December 31, 2026

Not to be confused with Technical Assistance Grants which have an extended due date of September 23, 2022



# Grantee Responsibilities

**Quarterly Progress and Financial Reports** - required to be submitted to the Department on a quarterly basis to provide an updated explanation of the project status.

- **Water Quality Data** – if water quality analysis is a component of the grant requirements.
- Completion of a Project – grantee is responsible for the project being **completed on time**.

\* provide a **final report** summarizing the project and highlighting the results.

# Grantee Responsibilities

- Ownership/Proprietary Rights;
- Data and Geographical Information System (GIS) Requirements – grantee must provide the Department with all information generated during the grant and ensure that GIS data follows the NJ DEP GIS Standards.
- Maintenance Agreement – the grantee must submit a Maintenance Agreement before in-the-ground installation of any BMPs.
- Ensuring consistency with Federal Treasury requirements.
- Final Reports – the grantee must submit a final report in the format outlined in Appendix E of the RFP.



# Project Evaluation Criteria

1

Project Applicability  
(up to 25 points)

2

Project Readiness (up  
to 25 points)

3

Likelihood of Success  
(up to 30 points)

4

Cost Share/Matching  
Funds/Leveraging of  
other Funding Sources  
(up to 10 points)

5

Monitoring and  
Evaluation Information  
(up to 10 points)

# Selection Process



- Project **Evaluation Criteria** used to score the proposals.
- **DEP staff** from appropriate programs will review and score the proposals.
- Scores are compiled and ranked for each **priority category**.
- Submit scores and recommendations to our Director. **Director selects** the awardees and funding amount.
- Assistant Commissioner/Budget and Finance approval.
- Present proposals to the **Commissioner** for final approval.



Deadline for  
SW Projects and  
Planning RFP  
September 14,  
2022

Grant Related documents:

<https://nj.gov/dep/wlm/grants/swgrant.html>

General Questions:

[stormwatergrantsinfo@dep.nj.gov](mailto:stormwatergrantsinfo@dep.nj.gov)

Application submittal SAGE link:

<https://njdepsage.intelligrants.com>.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS Deadline Sept 23, 2022

1. SW Utility Guidance website:

[NJDEP | Stormwater Utility Guidance | Home](#)

Question and proposals shall be submitted  
to [stormwaterutility@dep.nj.gov](mailto:stormwaterutility@dep.nj.gov)

**2. NJ Resilient Website:**

[NJDEP | Resilient NJ | Home](#)

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to: [resilientnj@dep.nj.gov](mailto:resilientnj@dep.nj.gov)