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WaterSMART Program Overview

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WaterSMART Funding Opportunities

Competed Reclamation-wide (amount dependent on budget)





Reclamation Financial Assistance - General Grant Information



50% Project's cost and no more than \$5 million



States, tribes, irrigation and water districts, and other entities with water or power delivery authority



Awards made through a competitive process



Grant program are posted on www.grants.gov



Quantifiable Water Savings

- Canal Lining/Piping
- Municipal Metering
- Irrigation Flow Measurement
- Landscape Irrigation Measures

Energy-Water Nexus

- Renewable energy related to water management and delivery
- Increased energy efficiency

WaterSMART Grants

Water and
Energy
Efficiency
Grants

Increasing Water Supply Reliability

- Water Access and Conveyance System Improvements
- Aquifer Storage and Recovery
- Development of alternative water sources

Improved Water Management

- Modeling
- Decision support tools
- Measurement and Monitoring

Drought Response
Program

Drought
Resiliency
Projects

Small-Scale
Water
Efficiency
Projects

WaterSMART Grants

Small-scale efficiency and water management projects

- Canal Lining/Piping
- Municipal Metering
- Irrigation Flow Measurement
- Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) and Automation
- Landscape Irrigation Measures

WaterSMART
Construction
Opportunities

Watershed
Management
Projects

Cooperative
Watershed
Management Program

- Improving Stream Channel Structure and Complexity
- Restoring or Enhancing Floodplains and Riparian Vegetation
- Invasive Species Prevention/Control
- Water Conservation/Management to Improve Ecological Resilience





Title XVI Program

Title XVI of P.L. 102-575, as amended, provides authority for Reclamation's water recycling and reuse program

- **Authorized Projects:** Congressionally authorized Title XVI Water Reclamation and Reuse projects
- **Feasibility Studies:** Studies to assist communities to determine whether water recycling and reuse projects are viable
- **Research Studies:** New funding opportunity to conduct water reclamation research under the Title XVI program
- **Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation (WIIN) Act** Funding for projects.

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So how do I get a grant?

Checkout: www.grants.gov

Give yourself time to write the proposal!

Checkout Successful Applications:
<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/applications/>





How do I get a grant?

Tips:

- If you have a large project, consider breaking it into phases.
- Don't assume that the Grantor knows you.
- Focus on the Grant Evaluation Criteria. Copy them into your proposal and address each of them in your proposal.
- 50% of the non-federal funding cost-share can include state funding, or other sources other than federal.
- If you don't get a grant award, ask for a de-brief to help you prepare for next year or the next FOA.

Most importantly, Ask for help!





References:

www.usbr.gov/watersmart

- Funding Opportunity Announcements
- Previously Funded Projects
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Selected Applications
- Program Criteria

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Thank you!



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For further program information please visit

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