

Grant Program	Category	State	Sponsor Agency/ Org	Federal/Non-Federal	General Info	Eligibility	Level of Assistance	Application Submittal Deadline w/ Comments	Link to Website	Contact Information
Short Term Action Request Grants (STAR)	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Your project must be conducted in Minnesota's coastal area, be action-oriented, and align with one of the following categories and goals: -Coastal Habitat: Protect the coastal areas' natural resources and habitats including wetlands, forests, beaches and fish -Coastal Hazards: Protect lives and property in the coastal area by minimizing risk to hazards such as storms, flooding and erosion -Water Quality: Safeguard and restore water quality in Lake Superior and area streams -Coastal Community Development: Help communities manage development or preserve the historic, cultural and aesthetic features of Lake Superior and its coast -Coordination and Public Involvement: Collect, analyze, synthesize and share information and research results that will lead to better land and water use decisions in the coastal area or engage the public in critical government decisions	Cities, townships and counties within the coastal area; area-wide agencies; regional planning agencies; state agencies; non-profit organizations; colleges and universities; public school districts in the coastal area; conservation districts; port authorities; tribal governments; joint powers boards; sanitary sewer districts.	The minimum grant is \$2,500 and the maximum is \$7,500.	March 1, 2018 or June 1, 2018	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html	Amber Westerbur, Program Manager 218-834-1445 MLSCP.DNR@state.mn.us
Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Grants (TMDL or WRAPS implementation projects)	Water Quality	MN	MPCA (Federal funds)	Federal	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) Section 319 grant program is seeking applications for projects to implement best management practices (BMPs) that will reduce nonpoint source pollution (NPS) in Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and streams. Eligible projects must be in an identified critical area of the watershed and have an EPA-approved total maximum daily load (TMDL) for the waterbody. The projects must have an EPA-approved TMDL by Friday, March 2, 2018.	Public and private entities are eligible. To be considered for Section 319 funding, the project sponsor (the entity responsible for the project and its overall success), must have a Federal Identification Number. Eligible projects must implement best management practices (BMPs) that will reduce nonpoint source pollution (NPS) in Minnesota's lakes, rivers, and streams. Eligible projects must be in an identified critical area of the watershed and have an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved total maximum daily load (TMDL) on that waterbody, which must be approved by the close of the application period, Friday, March 2, 2018	\$1.4 million is expected to be available. There is no maximum grant amount; \$50,000 minimum grant amount. 40% match required.	March 2, 2018	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/section-319-funding-round	If you have questions concerning this Federal 319 funding round, email questions to contracts.pca@state.mn.us , subject line: CR 6659, 319-13 Grant.
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Wastewater & Stormwater	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	Proposals are being accepted to place wastewater or stormwater collection and treatment system projects on the Clean Water Revolving Fund (CWRV) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the PPL to be eligible to apply for below market rate CWRV loans and other Clean Water Legacy grants and loans from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA). PFA financing is for investments in municipal infrastructure which result in improvements in water quality. Funding is not available for privately owned infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	Wastewater Facilities Plans or Stormwater Project Plans are due to the MPCA March 2, 2018. Request for Placement on PPL due to the MPCA March 2, 2018. Request for Placement on the 2017 IUP due to the PFA June 2, 2018.	www.pca.state.mn.us/ppl	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or bill.dunn@state.mn.us
Point Source Implementation Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA) & MPCA (State funds)	Non-Federal	The Point Source Implementation grant program provides grants to units of local government to assist with the cost of water infrastructure projects necessary to: •Meet wasteload reductions prescribed under a total maximum daily load (TMDL) plan required by Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act •Reduce the discharge of total phosphorus to one milligram per liter or less •Meet any other water quality-based effluent limit established under section Minnesota Statute Section 115.03, subd 1, (e)(8), that is incorporated into a permit issued by MPCA that exceeds secondary treatment limits •Meet a total nitrogen concentration or mass limit that requires discharging ten milligrams per liter or less at a permitted design flow	The PSIG program provides grants for 80% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$7,000,000. Projects must be listed on the MPCA's Project Priority List (PPL). A project must receive MPCA certification and submit as-bid project costs to receive a PSIG grant.	\$5,307,000 million has been appropriated for this program for FY 2018	PPL Application Request: March 2, 2018 IUP Application Request: June 2, 2018	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/wastewater-and-stormwater-financial-assistance	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or bill.dunn@state.mn.us
Environmental Assistance Grants - Open Category Grants	Environmental & Education	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The purpose of the EA Grant Program is to provide financial assistance for researching, developing, or implementing projects and practices related to all aspects of waste management and prevention, including hazardous substances, toxic pollutants, and problem materials. Additionally, market development and education grants are also allowed under the laws governing these grants. The MPCA seeks to encourage environmentally-sustainable practices and approaches to pollution prevention and resource conservation. The 2017 Minnesota Legislature allocated funding for recycling and composting grants under Minn. Stat. § 115A.565 for Fiscal Years 2018 through 2021. The allocated funds were purposed for projects that focus on best practices for recycling or composting collection systems. All projects must be locally administered, have an educational component with measurable outcomes, and include one or more of the following elements: 1. Establish curbside recycling or composting, 2. Increase recycling or composting, 3. Reduce the amount of recyclable materials entering disposal facilities, or 4. Reduce the costs associated with hauling waste by locating collection sites as close as possible to the site where the waste is generated.	For the FY18-19 Greater MN recycling and composting grant round, eligible applicants are political subdivisions in Minnesota outside the Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area. Multi-organizational collaboration is encouraged. If the applicant is a city, the city's population must be less than 45,000.	Approximately \$2 million is available. 25% match required. See RFP for maximum grant amounts for each category.	March 13, 2018	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/environmental-assistance-grants	grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us
Minnesota's Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund	Water Quality	MN	Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR)	Non-Federal	Funding is available for projects that provide multiple ecological and other public benefits in at least one of the following seven environment and natural resource areas: -Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information -Water Resources -Environmental Education -Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species -Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy -Methods to Protect or Restore Land, Water, and Habitat -Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation It appears that stormwater monitoring would be an applicable use of the funding. Applicants must be available to make a formal presentation to LCCMR if selected and to be available for staff or commission member questions.	The spirit and intent of the LCCMR is to provide access to everyone for innovative ideas for environmental or natural resource projects that could provide multiple ecological and other public benefits to Minnesota and are consistent with the LCCMR's Six-Year Strategic Plan for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund and the adopted funding priorities.	Approximately \$59 million. No minimum or maximum amount for projects beginning on July 1, 2019.	April 11, 2018 (Draft due March 14, 2018)	http://www.lccmr.leg.mn	lccmr@lccmr.leg.mn
Environmental Education Grants Program	Environmental & Education	All States	US EPA	Federal	Under the Environmental Education Grants Program, EPA seeks grant proposals from eligible applicants to support environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment. This grant program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques. Since 1992, EPA has distributed between \$2 and \$3.5 million in grant funding per year.	Eligible applicants include local education agencies, colleges or universities, state education or environmental agencies, nonprofit organizations, or noncommercial educational broadcasting entities.	A total of approximately \$2.73 million is expected to be available. Maximum grant awards of \$91,000. 25% match required and 25% of grant award must be distributed as sub-grants of not more than \$5,000.	March 15, 2018	http://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants	Megan Gavin, U.S. EPA, Region 5 Grants Management Section (AT-18J) 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3507 gavin.megan@epa.gov
Community Conservation Partnership	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program to support public landowners in implementing TMDL and local water management plans by providing technical and cost share assistance to install bioretention and other stormwater Best Management Practices at public facilities in Dakota County to improve water quality above the minimum measures required by the regulating agencies.	Public landowners	Up to \$50,000 of cost share funding available per project for up to 75% of the actual project cost.	March, May or July 15, 2018	http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/ccp.html	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777

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GreenCorps Host Site	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	Organizations may apply for Minnesota GreenCorps members who will serve on projects in these areas: •Air quality (including energy conservation and green transportation) •Waste prevention and recycling •Green infrastructure (including stormwater management, urban forestry, and local foods) •Living Green outreach	Eligible organizations include public entities (local, regional, state, tribal), school districts, not for profit institutions of higher education, and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.	The MPCA plans to place up to 40 full-time members with various host sites for the 2017-2018 program year. Members serve approximately 40 hours a week for 11 months beginning in mid- to late September 2017 through August 2018.	Applications are due electronically by 5:00pm CT on Friday, March 23, 2018	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/mngreencorps/host-site-application	mngreencorps.pca@state.mn.us
Local Trail Connections	Recreation	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Land acquisition and trail development program to promote relatively short trail connections between where people live and desirable locations, not to develop significant new trails. Priority will be given to projects that provide significant connectivity. Considerations also include trail length, expected amount and type of use, and quality and attractiveness of natural and cultural resources.	Cities, counties, and townships. Projects inside state park boundaries and state trail corridors and elements of the Regional Open Space System in the Twin Cities Metro System are NOT eligible.	Grants are reimbursement based up to 75 percent of the total eligible project costs, and recipients must provide a non-state cash match of at least 25 percent. The minimum grant request is \$5,000, and the maximum grant award is \$150,000.	March 30, 2018	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/recreation/trails_local.html	Dan Golner, Recreation Program Coordinator daniel.golner@state.mn.us 651-259-5599
Regional Trail Grants	Recreation	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to promote development of regionally significant trails. Eligible projects include acquisition and development of trail facilities outside the seven-county metropolitan area that are considered of regional or statewide significance.	Cities, counties, and townships.	Grants are reimbursement based up to 75 percent of eligible project costs, and recipients must provide a non-state cash match of at least 25 percent. The minimum grant request is \$5,000, and the maximum grant award is \$250,000.	March 30, 2018	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/recreation/trails_regional.html	Dan Golner, Recreation Program Coordinator Daniel.Golner@state.mn.us 651-259-5599
Outdoor Recreation	Recreation	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to increase and enhance outdoor recreation facilities. Eligible projects include park acquisition and/or development/redevelopment including, internal park trails, picnic shelters, playgrounds, athletic facilities, boat accesses, fishing piers, swimming beaches and campgrounds.	Cities, counties, townships and recognized tribal governments. Project proposals must include at least one of the eligible primary outdoor recreation facilities in the Program Manual and have a total project cost of at least \$10,000.	Approximately \$800,000 in funding is available. Grants are reimbursed based up to 50 percent of the total eligible costs. The maximum grant award is \$150,000.	March 30, 2018	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/recreation/outdoor_rec.html	Audrey Mularie, Southern Minnesota, North Metro audrey.mularie@state.mn.us or (651) 259-5549 Joe Hiller, Northern Minnesota, South Metro joe.hiller@state.mn.us or (651) 259-5538
Water Quality Improvement Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	Nine Mile Creek Watershed District	Non-Federal	Many types of projects are eligible for grant money. A few examples include: raingardens, shoreline restoration, permeable pavers, buckthorn removal with native restoration, and more!	In order to be eligible for grant funds, projects must support one or more of the following goals: -Improve water quality or increase the capacity of the watershed to store water -Preserve, protect, and restore native plant and wildlife habitats with emphasis on projects adjacent to or near lakes, rivers, and wetlands -Protect and preserve groundwater quality and quantity Grant funds are available to residents, associations, nonprofits, schools, businesses, and cities for projects located within District boundaries	Grants will be awarded for up to 75% of a project's cost, on a reimbursement basis, for materials, labor, engineering, and consulting fees. The minimum grant award is \$500. Maximum grant award: -\$3,000 for residential projects -\$10,000 for townhome, condominium, or lake associations -\$25,000 for commercial, government, or nonprofit projects	March 30, 2018	https://www.ninemilecreek.org/get-involved/grants/	Erica Sniegowski Program & Project Manager 952-358-2276
Source Water Protection: Plan Implementation Grant Program	Groundwater	MN	MN Dept of Health	Non-Federal	Program is designed to support implementation of Source Water Protection Plans. In Minnesota, source water protection is divided into wellhead protection that focuses on 1) groundwater that is used for public water supply and 2) intake protection that focuses on surface water that is used for public water supply.	Only public water suppliers may apply for a source water protection plan implementation grant but may use funding to support the work of other parties relating to the source water protection plan.	The total amount of funding that is available under this notice is \$175,000. No cost share is required for receiving a grant. The minimum amount available is \$1,000. The maximum amount available is \$10,000. All of the funds that are awarded must be expended by June 30, 2018.	March and September	http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/grants/implementation.html	Drinking Water Protection Program Email:Health.DrinkingWater@state.mn.us (651-201-4700)
Source Water Protection: Competitive Grant Program	Groundwater	MN	MN Dept of Health	Non-Federal	Program to support source water protection for community and nontransient noncommunity public water suppliers. Source water protection activities that are funded under this grant program must focus on managing or eliminating one or more potential sources of contamination that the Minnesota Department of Health has determined presents a risk to the public water supplier.	A public water supplier must meet the following conditions in order to qualify for a grant: 1) Be a community or a non-transient non-community public water supplier, and 2) the public water supplier is not currently subject to administrative penalty action by the MN Dept of Health for violation of state or federal public water supply regulations. Although only qualifying public water suppliers may apply for a source water protection competitive grant, they may use this funding to support the work of other parties.	The total amount of funding that is available under this notice is \$75,000. An equal cost share for each work item is required for receiving a grant. Minimum grant amount of \$500. Maximum grant amount is \$10,000.	April and October	http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/grants/competitive.html	Drinking Water Protection Program Email:Health.DrinkingWater@state.mn.us (651-201-4700)
Tax Base Revitalization Account	Brownfields	MN	Metropolitan Council	Non-Federal	The Metropolitan Council's Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) is one of the three incentive accounts created by the 1995 Livable Communities Act adopted by the Minnesota Legislature. The TBRA provides grants to investigate or clean up contaminated property for subsequent residential, commercial, or industrial development. Funded activities include: Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments, RAP development, Demolition and site preparation (only if necessary to access contamination), Soil or ground water remediation, Soil vapor mitigation, Asbestos abatement work, Lead paint removal or stabilization	Cities, counties, and local development authorities located in the 7-county metro area and participating in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Housing Incentives Program are eligible to apply for funds. Applications involving public-private partnerships are most competitive. Cleanup grant applicants must have an MPCA-approved RAP, but investigation grants can fund RAP development.	Up to 100% of grant-eligible investigation and cleanup costs. Funding for individual projects varies considerably, but average award over the last three years was about \$254K. Up to \$5M available annually	May 1, 2018	https://metrocouncil.org/News-Events/Communities/Events/TBRA-webinar-is-Tuesday-Feb-27.aspx	Marcus Martin Tax Base Revitalization Program Coordinator Metropolitan Council 390 Robert St. North Saint Paul, MN 55101-1805 Phone: (651) 602-1054 Email: marcus.martin@metc.state.mn.us
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Drinking Water	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans to for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	The Minnesota Department of Health is soliciting requests to place new projects on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRWF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the list to be eligible for below market rate DWRWF loans to improve public drinking water systems. Typical projects include watermain, wells, water treatment plants and water towers. Funding is not for expansion of water systems to serve future growth or for fire suppression infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	Project Priority List (PPL): May 4, 2018 Intended Use Plan (IUP): June 1, 2018	www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/dwrf	Contact Chad Kolstad at 651-201-3972 or chad.kolstad@state.mn.us
Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to provide technical and financial assistance to local governmental units for conducting flood damage reduction studies and for planning and implementing flood damage reduction measures.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts, watershed management organizations and lake improvement districts.	A maximum of 50% of total eligible project costs up to \$150,000. Grant requests for more than \$150,000 must be approved by the Legislature.	Recommended that the completed application form be submitted to your DNR Division of Waters Area Hydrologist by June 1 of the year in which you wish to apply.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/flood_hazard.html	Pat Lynch, Flood Damage Reduction Program Manager DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5691 E-Mail: pat.lynch@dnr.state.mn.us

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Stewardship Fund Grants: Water Quality Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	MWMO	Non-Federal	Available to plan for a project, significant in scope and cost. The outcome of these grants may be used to complete either a Stewardship Fund Action Grant with the MWMO (application required) or for a project with another funder.	Eligible applicants for MWMO Stewardship Fund Grants include: -nonprofit organizations, officially recognized neighborhood groups, business and professional associations, schools; and local units of government. Stewardship Fund grants may not be used to fund projects installed only to meet regulatory requirements; however, stewardship funds may be used to fund portions of the project that create water quality innovations that exceed regulatory requirements. Physical projects must be located within MWMO boundaries or drain to receiving water bodies within the watershed.	The grant amount may not exceed \$10,000. Some matching funds are required.	Pre-application deadline: June 1, 2018 by 4:30pm	https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/	Marcy Bean Capital Projects and Stewardship Specialist 612-746-4979
Forest Stewardship Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Cost share program to provide technical advice and long range planning to interested land owners. Forest stewardship plans are the outcome of the program- plans are designed to meet landowner goals while maintaining the sustainability of the land.	Financial assistance to woodland owners for completing projects to practice good forest stewardship on their land. A typical project is between 3 and 20 acres but could be smaller or larger depending on land goals.	Over \$500,000 is available through June 30, 2018, or until funds run out.	June 30, 2018	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/foreststewardship/index.html	Private Forest Program Coordinator DNR Forestry 500 Lafayette Road, Box 44 St. Paul, MN 55155 (651) 259-5261
North American Wetland Conservation Act	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Federal	The Act was passed, in part, to support activities under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, an international agreement that provides a strategy for the long-term protection of wetlands and associated uplands habitats needed by waterfowl and other migratory birds in North America. In December 2002, Congress reauthorized the Act and expanded its scope to include the conservation of all habitats and birds associated with wetlands ecosystems. In 2006, Congress reauthorized the Act to extend its appropriation authorization of up to \$75 million per year to 2012.	The North American Wetlands Conservation Act (Act, or NAWCA) of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico for the benefit of wetlands-associated migratory birds and other wildlife.	\$40 million (annually) for 24 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) proposals for U.S Standard Grants. Requires minimum 1:1 match	February 23, 2018 (Cycle 1), July 13, 2018 (Cycle 2)	http://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act.php	contact: Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, (703) 358-1784, dbhc@fws.gov.
Competitive State Wildlife Grants Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	Federal	Federal grant funds for the development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitats, including species that are not hunted or fished. Eligible activities include planning and conservation implementation. Planning activities must contribute directly to the development or modification of a State Wildlife Action Plan (Plan) approved by the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service). Implementation activities are activities that a State carries out to execute their Plan. Priority for use of these funds must be placed on identified species of greatest conservation need and should take into consideration the relative level of funding available for the conservation of those species. The C-SWG Program prioritizes and supports projects that are designed, implemented, and evaluated within an explicit adaptive management framework.	Eligible applicants include state governments	12-18 grants from \$25,000-\$500,000 are expected to be awarded (total program funding \$5.5 million). A minimum of 25% match is required. Funding Opportunity Number F17AS00006	August 31, 2018	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=competitive%20state%20wildlife%20grants%20program	Paul VanRyzin, Fish and Wildlife Administrator, 7033581849 paul_vanryzin@fws.gov
Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	Federal	The Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides direct technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of cooperative agreements to private landowners to restore and conserve fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust resources. The PFW Program is delivered through more than 250 full-time staff, active in all 50 States and territories. Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program staff coordinate with project partners, stakeholders and other Service programs to identify geographic focus areas and develop habitat conservation priorities within these focus areas. Geographic focus areas are where the PFW Program directs resources to conserve habitat for federal trust species. Project work plans are developed strategically, in coordination with partners, and with substantial involvement from Service field staff. Projects must advance our mission, promote biological diversity, and be based upon sound scientific biological principles. Program strategic plans inform the types of projects funded under this opportunity. Applicants seeking funding under this program should review the program strategic plan and also contact the regional PFW Program office prior to submitting an application for funding.	Projects must be implemented on private lands, including tribal lands or waters owned by non-Federal or non-State entities.	Funding is generally limited to \$25,000 or less (higher amounts may be requested, but may not be awarded without appropriate justification and approval). No cost sharing or matching required.	September 30, 2018	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=partners%20for%20fish%20and%20wildlife	Michael Murray, 703-358-2031 michael_murray@fws.gov
Environmental Response Fund	Brownfields	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Environmental Response Fund (ERF) grants fund the assessment and cleanup of contaminated sites where conditions present a threat to human health or the environment, but where lack of funding and added environmental costs hinder site improvements or redevelopment. ERF grants are used for a variety of activities that provide community benefit, including assessment and cleanup of groundwater and evaluation and abatement of asbestos and lead-based paint. Priority is placed on locations that are intended as public or green spaces, establish affordable and moderately priced housing, and promote economic development.	Eligible applicants for ERF include municipalities, economic development agencies, housing and redevelopment authorities, non-profit organizations, public companies, and private for-profit companies. ERF grants are not available to non-local government responsible parties. ERF grants are available for the investigation or cleanup of non-petroleum contamination or petroleum-related contamination that is not eligible for reimbursement by the Minnesota Petrofund.	Approximately \$1-2 Million is available each funding round.	November 1, 2018	http://www.hennepin.us/business/property/environmental-response-fund	john.evans@hennepin.us Phone: 612-348-4046
Conservation Corps Minnesota Clean Water Fund: Crew Labor	Water Quality	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	Funds are available for Conservation Corps crew labor only for the purpose of protecting, enhancing and restoring water quality in lakes, rivers and streams and to protect groundwater and drinking water sources from degradation. Project proposals should demonstrate measurable outputs to achieve water quality objectives through the implementation of BMPs. Projects that focus on retaining water on the land through native plantings versus habitat restoration are preferred.	Counties, Cities, SWCDs, Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations	\$500,000 available. No minimum match requirement.	December 15, 2018	http://conservationcorps.org/clean-water-funding	Brian Miller at (651) 209-9900 ext. 19 brian.miller@conservationcorps.org
Natural Resources Grants - Opportunity Grant	Water Quality	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Primarily to help partners take advantage of opportunities to implement larger projects that improve water quality or preserve, establish or restore natural areas. Ideal for larger scale projects seeking to leverage multiple funding sources from more than one partner. Ideal for projects documented as priorities in the applicant's management plans (e.g. comprehensive plan, watershed management plan). Eligible expenses include environmental or engineering consulting fees, materials, supplies, labor and inspection fees.	The following entities in Hennepin County: individual landowners, non-profit and non-governmental organizations, local government agencies, businesses	Up to \$100,000 per project. Typical projects range from \$25,000-\$50,000. No match is required.	Applications accepted all year. Funds are limited and awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. A pre-application meeting to discuss project details is highly recommended.	http://www.hennepin.us/residents/environment/natural-resources-funding	Jim Kujawa: james.kujawa@hennepin.us 612-348-7338
Special Opportunity Grant Program	Water Quality	All States	Freshwater Future	Non-Federal	The Special Opportunity Grants Program (Emergency Grants) is for the aquatic habitat protection efforts that may not coincide with the application timeline or grant period for the Projects Grants Program. Freshwater Future realizes that many grassroots projects can be completed for under \$500 USD, therefore we maintain a reserve to support urgent projects or those that present a special, time-limited opportunity. Although the eligibility, overarching goal, priority program areas, and evaluation criteria are the same as the regular grants programs, Special Opportunity Grant (SOG) requests are processed differently to ensure quick turnaround.	Must be a registered non-profit organization or charity or have a sponsoring non-profit organization or charity.	Typically \$500 or less	No deadline	http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/special-opportunity-grant-program/	Melanie Napoleon Welch melanie@freshwaterfuture.org

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Clean Water Partnership Loan Program	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is accepting applications for water resource projects to be funded through the CWP Loan Program (approximately \$11 mill available). Application will be accepted from local governmental units (LGUs) interested in leading a project for protection or improvement of groundwater or surface water bodies from nonpoint sources. Applicants awarded loan funds may begin project work after the loan agreement is executed and project workplan is approved. No reimbursable costs may be incurred prior to execution of the loan agreement.	Only LGUs that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for loans. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LGU has the ability to pledge its full faith and credit to ensure repayment of a project implementation loan • LGU has the authority to generate cash revenues for the repayment of a loan • LGU has the authority to enter into a loan agreement with the MPCA LGUs that meet these requirements include counties, cities, townships, tribes, watershed districts, and watershed management organizations. Joint powers organizations composed of previously mentioned entities are also eligible, but must submit a resolution from at least one LGU that meets the eligible criteria stating that they will participate in the project as a loan sponsor. Local soil and water conservation districts and other LGUs that are not eligible to serve as a loan sponsor may partner as a project sponsor with another government entity, such as a county or watershed district, which will serve as the loan sponsor.	About \$15 million in loans will be available. The maximum loan award is \$2 million. No matching funds are required.	No current deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.	https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/financial-assistance-nonpoint-source-water-pollution-projects-clean-water-partnership-and	Kurt Soular kurtis.soular@state.mn.us
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Stewardship Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Stewardship Grants help businesses or homeowners build projects on their property that prevent stormwater pollution. Public and private landowners are eligible for technical and financial assistance to install water quality improvement best management practices (BMPs). Specifically, the program funds BMPs that reduce stormwater runoff, prevent erosion and filter pollutants. Typical BMP projects include but are not limited to: 1) rain gardens, 2) shoreline restoration, 3) water reuse systems, 4) permeable hardscapes (pavers, asphalt etc.). Stewardship Grant awards are allocated based on the water quality benefits provided by each Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMPs). Projects that capture runoff from streets (curb cut rain gardens), parking lots, or other larger impervious surfaces receive higher awards due to their higher water quality benefits.	Property owners within Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) are eligible for grants.	Total available grant amount is unknown. High impact projects may receive up to 100% grant in addition to free design services.	No current deadline	http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/stewardship-grants/	For questions or to submit an application, please contact Anna at (651) 644-8888 or anna@capitolregionwd.org.
Citizen Conservation Stewards	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program supports smaller conservation practices on individual properties by providing technical and cost share assistance.	Dakota County property owners	Up to \$5,000 available to fund each project, up to 75% of total cost.	Applications are accepted all year.	http://www.dakotacountywcd.org/ccs.html	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Conservation Initiative Funding Program	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	The Dakota SWCD offers funding and/or technical assistance for projects that demonstrate innovative stormwater management, low impact development and/or conservation design principles.	Dakota County land owners, developers, and local units of government	\$25,000 maximum cost share to reimburse applicant for up to 75% estimated project cost	Applications are accepted all year	http://www.dakotacountywcd.org/cif.html	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Reimagining Great Lakes Water Systems	Water Quality	MN	Great Lakes Protection Fund	Non-Federal	The GLPF is looking for new ideas, new projects and new cohorts of people to catalyze a transition to a new era of water systems. Water systems are the built infrastructure, the natural landscapes, and the operating rules that govern how water moves, what moves in water and what moves on water. Improved water systems will better solve a range of problems that vex our current systems, including: reducing nutrient-driven harmful algae blooms, better handling of large rainstorms, being adaptable to changing economic and demographic conditions, and providing better value for the money GLPF will invest in them.	Eligible applicants include: non-profit organizations, universities, governmental agencies, individuals, for-profit businesses.	No funding guidelines given.	Accept Proposals Year Round	http://glpf.org/get-funding/projects-wanted/	David Rankin, Program Director 847-425-8150
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	Water Quality	All States	USDA NRCS	Federal	The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive financial and technical assistance to implement structural and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.	Agricultural producers and owners of non-industrial private forestland and Tribes are eligible to apply for EQIP. Eligible land includes cropland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forestland and other farm or ranch lands.	Submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding pool opportunities.	EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis, however, NRCS establishes application "cut-off" or submission deadline dates for evaluation	http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/mn/programs/financial/eqip/	Contact local Service Center
Green Partners (Seed, Root, and Branch)	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Hennepin County provides funding and support to organizations to implement projects that empower residents to reduce waste, increase recycling, reduce toxicity, conserve energy and protect water quality. The Green Partners Program consists of three groups with varying levels of support and requirements.	Eligible organizations include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Registered nonprofit organizations such as community groups, youth programs, congregations, etc. •Park districts •Private and public schools and school districts, including community education programs like ECFE. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Seed Group: Free field trip transportation & activity supplies. •Root Group: Up to \$8,000 to implement a project based on existing resources. •Branch Group: Up to \$20,000 to implement an innovative project 	Branch & Root Groups: Fall 2018 Seed group anytime.	http://www.hennepin.us/business/work-with-henn-co/green-partners-enviro-ed-prog	For more information, contact Patience Caso at patience.caso@hennepin.us or call 612-348-9352.
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Grants	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering grants for up to 25 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum grant amount for renewable energy projects is \$500,000. The maximum grant amount for energy efficiency projects is \$250,000. Grants for up to 25% of total project cost.	Accepted Year Round	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Loans	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering loan guarantees for up to 75 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum loan amount is \$25 million, up to 75% of total project cost.	Accepted Year Round	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn

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2018 National Fish Habitat Action Plan	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	Federal	The National Fish Habitat Action Plan is a national investment strategy to leverage federal and privately raised funds to protect, restore, and enhance the nation's fish and aquatic habitats through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation. Funds appropriated to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service) Fish and Aquatic Conservation (FAC) Program specifically to implement the Action Plan will be utilized in collaboration with the National Fish Habitat Board and Fish Habitat Partnerships. Fish Habitat Partnerships are the primary work units of the Action Plan, formed around distinct geographic areas, "keystone" fish species, or system types (e.g. large lakes, impoundments, estuaries). Funds will support national and regional science and coordination activities to protect, restore, or enhance fish habitats. All or a portion of project funds may be transferred to partner organizations if the Service lacks the capability to implement a project. Projects must protect, restore, or enhance fish and aquatic habitats or otherwise directly support habitat-related priorities of Fish Habitat Partnerships or the National Fish Habitat Board. Every project must be identified in the Fisheries Operational Needs System (FONS), a database that identifies the operational needs of FAC field stations, including fish habitat project needs. FAC field offices will work with Fish Habitat Partnerships to identify fish habitat projects, and enter them into the FONS. Entities that seek to propose a fish habitat conservation project for consideration should contact a local or regional office of the Service FAC Program.	Eligible applicants include federal, state, or local government agencies; Native American governments; interstate, intrastate, public, and private nonprofit institutions and organizations; or any other organization subject to the jurisdiction of the United States with interests that support the mission of the Service on a cost recoverable basis and the goals of the Action Plan.	70 grants are expected to be awarded from \$5,000-\$300,000 in FY 2017 (total program funding \$3.2 million). No cost sharing or match required.	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=national%20fish%20habitat%20action%20plan	Cecilia M. Lewis, National Coordinator National Fish Habitat Partnership Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program 703-358-2102 cecilia_lewis@fws.gov
Metro Conservation Corridor Partnership Habitat Restoration Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Great River Greening is seeking partners to implement habitat restoration on protected lands and waters, with priority given to projects that 1) protect and restore water quality (projects must include monitoring), 2) protect, restore, and enhance land and habitat, and 3) reduce the spread of invasive species along streams, rivers, and land transportation routes.	Partners can be counties, watershed districts, cities, non-profits and others within the 12-county metropolitan area. Projects must be within a mapped Metro Conservation Corridor	1:1 match is suggested. \$13,800,000 approved by LCCMR	Funding is allocated as projects come in.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/metroconservationcorridors/index.html	For more information, please contact: Nick Banks, 651-917-6282 Minnesota Land Trust, nickbanks@minnesotalandtrust.org Bart Richardson, 651-259-5796 MnDNR, bart.richardson@state.mn.us
Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	University of MN Extension	Non-Federal	The Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships (RSDP) connect greater Minnesota communities to the University of Minnesota in order to help solve problems and take advantage of new opportunities. As a part of University of Minnesota Extension, RSDP brings together local talent and resources with University of Minnesota knowledge and seed funding to drive sustainability in four areas: agriculture and food systems, tourism and resilient communities, natural resources, and clean energy.	Any individual or organization.	No funding guidelines given.	Applications accepted year round.	http://www.extension.umn.edu/rsdp/	Kathryn Draeger Statewide Director, Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships draeg001@umn.edu 612-625-3148
Brownfield Gap Financing Program	Brownfields	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Managed by Minnesota Brownfields and funded through Hennepin County's Environmental Response Fund (ERF), the Brownfield Gap Financing Program provides small grants to nonprofit developers to close gaps in project costs for environmental assessment and cleanup of property in Hennepin County. Funded activities include: Identification and, in some cases, remediation of unexpected environmental issues (such as unanticipated Phase I and II investigations or small-scale cleanup), Preparation for a larger funding request from the County's ERF	Eligible applicants for this program must be registered as a non-profit within the State of Minnesota, a community group, a government supported organization, or a government entity. Applicants must own the property, have a purchase or lease agreement in place, or have a letter of intent to purchase by the applicant from the property owner.	Typical Brownfield Gap Financing Program grants are less than \$10,000, but may be up to \$15,000.	Applications accepted year round	http://mnbrownfields.org/our-work/brownfield-gap-financing/	Hava Blair, Minnesota Brownfields, Program Coordinator PO Box 16244 St. Paul, MN 55116 612-513-4301 hblair@mnbrownfields.org
State Cost Share Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Soil & Water Conservation Districts	Non-Federal	Program assists landowners financially with the installation of soil and water conservation practices.	Contact SWCD.	Cost share ranges from 50% to 75% based on water quality impacts.	Contact local SWCD.	http://www.maswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm	Contact local SWCD.
Washington Conservation District Water Quality Cost-Share	Water Quality	MN	Washington Conservation District	Non-Federal	WCD provides small grants to land owners wishing to improve surface water quality in Washington County. Eligible practices include rainwater gardens, infiltration systems, and other innovative approaches to treat stormwater runoff at the source.	Landowners in Washington County.	50% match grants of up to \$5,000 are available.	Contact WCD	http://www.mnwcd.org/financial-assistance/	Contact SWCD.
Federal Aid Programs For State Of Minnesota Disaster Recovery	Water Quantity	MN	FEMA	Federal	Program provides reimbursement (75% or more) for: • Repairing or replacing damaged facilities (roads, bridges, utilities, buildings, schools, recreational areas, etc) that are public or private non-profit organizations engaged in community service activities. • Removing debris from public areas and for emergency measures taken to save lives and protect property and public health. • Hazard mitigation projects undertaken by state and local governments to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural or technological disasters.	Local governments within Hennepin County or Anoka County. See website for additional information.	Reimbursement of costs, up to 75%	Application procedures for local governments will be explained at a series of federal/state applicant briefings with locations to be announced in the affected area by recovery officials.	http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/07/25/federal-aid-programs-state-minnesota-declaration	See website for updates
Dam Safety Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Intent is to improve the safety and condition of publicly owned dams and water level control structures. Eligible projects include dam reconstruction, repair, and removal.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts	Reimbursement of costs, up to 50% for repairs, up to 100% for removals. Grants have ranged from \$25,000 to \$1,000,000	For information contact the local DNR Waters office	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/dam_safety.html	Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5715 E-mail: jason.boyle@dnr.state.mn.us