

Application Deadline	Grant Program*
All year	Dakota County SWCD Conservation Cost Share Program
No deadline	Freshwater Future - Healing Our Waters
Continuous	Environmental Quality Incentives Program - USDA MN-NRCS
September 15, 2014	Aquatic Invasive Species Control Projects - Summer Grant Program - MN DNR
July 25, 2014	Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants - FEMA
July 16, 2014	Environmental Assistance Grant Program - MPCA
July 14, 2014	Regional Conservation Partnership Program - MPCA
July 8, 2014	USFWS North American Wetland Conservation Act Standard Grants program
July 3, 2014	Clean Water Partnership - MPCA
June 20, 2014	Sec 319 Developmental, Education and Applied Research (DER) Grants - MPCA
June 15, 2014	Green Partners (Commercial sector recycling) - Hennepin County
June 6, 2014	Green Partners (Seed, Root & Branch) - Hennepin County
May 14, 2014	MDNR Expedited Conservation Program Grant Cycle (Conservation Partners Legacy Program)
May 14, 2014	Conservation Corp Mn Clean Water Fund - BWSR
May 6, 2014	MDNR Aquatic Invasive Species - Curly leaf in northern part of state
May 2, 2014	MN PCA, PFA, DPH Clean Water Revolving Loan - Drinking Water
May 1, 2014	Met Council Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) Program - Investigation Grants
May 1, 2014	Met Council Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) Program- Clean Up Grants
May 1, 2014	Met Council Livable Communities TOD Grant Program - Preconcept Plan Application
May 1, 2014	Met Council Livable Communities Demonstration Acct - Preconcept Guide/Plan
May 1, 2014	Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund Grants Program
April 22, 2014	MDNR Aquatic Invasive Species - Curly leaf in central part of state
April 21, 2014	BWSR - One Watershed One Plan Pilot Program
April 15, 2014	MDNR Aquatic Invasive Species - Curly leaf in southern part of state
April 1-30, 2014	MN DPH Source Water Protection Competitive Grant
March 31, 2014	MN DNR Outdoor Recreation Grants
March 31, 2014	MN DNR Local Trail Connections Program
March 28, 2014	LCCMR Environment & Natural Resources Trust Fund
March 7, 2014	MN PCE, PFA, MDH Clean Water Revolving Loan - Wastewater & Stormwater
March 1-31, 2014	MN DPH Source Water Protection Plan Implementation
February 28, 2014	MN DNR Federal Recreation Trail Program
February 18, 2014	NFWF Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant Program
January 21, 2014	Great Lakes Coal Tar Sealcoat PAH Reduction Project
January 17, 2014	MN PCA Surface Water Assessment Grants
December 15, 2013	Conservation Corp Minnesota Clean Water Fund Grants - Land & Legacy Amendment
December 13, 2013	Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program - BWSR
December 3, 2013	Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership
December 3, 2013	Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act Grant Program
November 8, 2013	Shoreland & Aquatic Habitat Block Grant Program
November 1, 2013	Environmental Response Fund Grants - Hennepin County
November 1, 2013	State Park Road Account Program
November 1, 2013	Natural Resource Incentives for Critical Habitat - Hennepin County
November 1, 2013	Green Partners - Hennepin County
October 31, 2013	North American Wetland Conservation Act U.S. Small Grants Program
October 25, 2013	Water Pollutant Load Monitoring Network
October 18, 2013	MN Clean Energy Resource Teams Financial and Technical Assistance
October 4, 2013	BWSR Projects & Practices (formerly Clean Water Assistance Grant Program)
October 4, 2013	Accelerated Implementation & Shared Services (Clean Water)
October 4, 2013	Community Partners Program (Clean Water)
October 4, 2013	MDA Ag BMP Loan Program (Clean Water)
October 4, 2013	MDA Well Sealing (Clean Water)
September 18, 2013	Minnehaha Creek C. Kreig Watershed Stewardship Fund (pre-proposal)
September 30, 2013	Great Lakes Restoration Initiative - Partners for Fish and Wildlife
September 3, 2013	Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership/USFWS National Fish Habitat Action Plan
Sept 1-30, 2013	Source Water Protection Competitive Grant Program
August 1, 2013	Expedited Conservation Project Grant Cycle (continuously updated until May 14, 2014)
July 31, 2013	Point Source Implementation Grant Program (replaces TMDL & Phosphorous Reduction)
July 26, 2013	North American Wetland Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants Program
July 15, 2013	Dakota County SWCD Community Conservation Partnership

* See Grant Tracking Database for further details

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WATER QUALITY							
Regional Conservation Partnership Program	USDA	The NRCS is working to identify and address natural resource objectives and implement conservation practices and activities to deliver environmental benefits locally, regionally, and nationally. Through the new Farm Bill, NRCS has been given the authority to enhance regional cooperation to more effectively implement and maintain conservation activities, thereby promoting the restoration and sustainable use of soil, water, wildlife, and related natural resources on regional or watershed scales. NRCS will co-invest in mobilizing creative and workable solutions to agricultural production and resource management challenges. These solutions will benefit not only individual farming, ranching, and forest operations, but also local economies and the communities and resource users in a watershed or other geographic area that depend on the quality of the natural resources.	Great Lakes Region: IL, IN, MI, MN, NY, PA, OH, WI - water quality degradation Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) Private institutions of higher education Public and State controlled institutions of higher education State governments County governments Special district governments City or township governments	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$400,000,000 Award Ceiling: \$20,000,000	Jul 14, 2014 Closed date is for submission of Pre-proposal applications only. Selected applicants will be notified to submit full proposals.	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=256049	Frankie Comfort Grants & Agreements Specialist Phone 202-690-0164
Clean Water Partnership Program	MPCA	The MPCA anticipates that about \$1.1 million of grant funds and about \$7 million of loan funds will be available this year. At least \$2 million of the loan funds will be set aside for Green Infrastructure Reserve. These proposals provide permanent stormwater treatment by preserving or restoring the site's natural hydrologic processes through green infrastructure projects such as, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rain water harvesting and reuse;• Rain gardens;• Green roofs;• Tree boxes;• Porous pavement• Street and parking lot redesign; or• Similar green infrastructure approaches	Priority for funding will be given to protection projects for waterbodies <u>that are not on the Impaired Waters List</u> , Green Infrastructure Reserve loan projects, and loan projects of at least \$100,000 that are requesting up to \$10,000 for grant to administer the loan. Project proposals must provide measurable project outcomes.; also please refer to website link	about \$1.1 in grants and about \$7 mil in loans	Proposals due July 3 ; The RFP, proposal form, and other information are available on the state SWIFT e-supplier portal. Prospective responders must have a SWIFT Vendor ID and Supplier Portal Account set up to apply. Please note that it can take up to four days to receive your vendor ID from SWIFT.	https://supplier.swift.state.mn.us/psp/fmssupap/SUPPLIER/ERP/h/?tab=SUP_GUEST	Questions may be e-mailed to Contracts.pca@state.mn.us, Attention: Tracey Josephson.
Healing Our Waters	Freshwater Future	The Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition, formed in 2005, reflects a growing public awareness about the urgent need to protect the Great Lakes. The Coalition seeks to secure a sustainable restoration plan and the billions of dollars of state and federal funding needed to implement it. The coalition seeks to clean up sewage and toxic sediments, to restore damaged habitat, to protect high quality habitat, and to control and prevent the introduction of invasive species, each of which is an essential component of restoring the health of the Great Lakes ecosystem.	Any community based initiative working to restore aquatic habitats, who have received, or will be applying for, funding under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) RFP or other federal funding sources. Any group acting as an effective stakeholder with project decision makers for federally funded restoration activities in their community.	awards up to \$15,000	There is no deadline. Grants are given on a first come, first served basis. Must be located in the Great Lakes basin. However priority will be given to project in HOW's 8 target areas.	http://www.freshwaterfuture.org/userfiles/file/2014%20RFP%20HealingOurWaters.pdf	Cheryl Kallio Associate Director Freshwater Future 231-571-5001 grants@freshwaterfuture.org
Conservation Corp Minnesota Clean Water Fund: Land & Legacy Amendment	BWSR	Funds are available for Conservation Corp crew labor only and are to be used for restoration of impaired waters, including projects that protect, enhance and restore water quality in lakes, rivers and streams and protect ground and drinking water.	Counties, Cities, SWCDs, Watershed Districts and Watershed Management Organizations	\$50,000	May 14, 2014; apps pulled for funding up to 5 times	http://conservationcorps.org/clean-water-funding	Tim Johnson-Grass at (651) 209-9900 ext. 18 tim.johnson-grass@conservationcorps.org
Clean Water Fund Competitive Grants	BWSR	The Board of Water and Soil Resources is holding a competitive grant application round this fall using funds appropriated from the Clean Water Land and Legacy amendment during the most recent legislative session. The Board authorized the grant program at their meeting on August 29th. This grant application period will run from September 3 through October 4 with funds awarded at the Board's January meeting. Grant applications for this RFP will need to be submitted through the application tool in the new eLINK program. Three funding categories from previous years will be requesting grant applications: Projects and Practices, Accelerated Implementation, and Community Partners. BWSR also incorporated the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's BMP Loan program and the Minnesota Department of Health's Well Sealing program into the Clean Water Competitive Grants Program. (see specific categories below)	More than \$17 million in grant and loan funds is available in a number of program categories to counties, cities, soil and water conservation districts, water management organizations, watershed districts and certain joint powers boards.		Jan 22, 2014 grants authorized Feb 2014 Agreements sent Mar 17, 2104 workplan due Apr 1, 2014 Grant execution No information at this time	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/cleanwaterfund/index.html	This RFP and the 2014 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grants Policy provide the framework for funding and administration of the 2014 Competitive Grant Program (www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html). Questions should be directed to your area Board Conservationist or Clean Water Specialist; a map of work areas and contact information is available at www.bwsr.state.mn.us/contact/BC_areas.pdf . Questions may also be submitted by email to cwfquestions@state.mn.us . Responses will be posted on the BWSR website weekly.

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Clean Water Community Partners Conservation Program	BWSR	These funds are to be used for community partners within a LGUs jurisdiction to implement structural and vegetative practices to reduce stormwater runoff and retain water on the land to reduce the movement of sediment, nutrients and pollutants. LGUs will be the primary applicant and provide sub-grants to community partners who are implementing practices to accomplish restoration, protection or enhancement of water quality in lakes, rivers and streams and/or protection of groundwater and drinking water.	Grants available to SWCDs, Watershed Districts, WMOs, Counties, Cities, and JPBs of these organizations	25% local match required (cash or in-kind). Approximately \$1,500,000 available in FY 2014 (tentative).	Application period for FY 2014 Competitive Grants will open Sept 3, 2013; deadline is October 4, 2013. No additional information at this time	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Dave Weirens Land and Water Section Manager Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources 520 Lafayette Road St. Paul, Mn 55155 Office: 651.297.3432
Projects & Practices (formerly Clean Water Assistance Grants)	BWSR	This grant makes an investment in on-the-ground projects and practices that will protect or restore water quality in lakes, rivers or streams, or will protect groundwater or drinking water. Examples include stormwater practices, agricultural conservation, livestock waste management, lakeshore and stream bank stabilization, stream restoration, and SSTS upgrades.	SWCDs, Watershed Districts, WMOs, Counties, Cities2, and JPBs of these organizations	25% local match required ; \$8,545,000 available			
One Watershed, One Plan Pilot Program	BWSR	In 2013, the Minnesota Legislature passed Chapter 137-HF 1183 (Clean Water Fund Appropriations) which provided authorization and funding to BWSR for assistance and grants to local governments to transition local water management plans to a watershed approach as provided for in Minnesota Statutes	Eligible applicants include Counties, Soil & Water Conservation Districts, Watershed Districts, and Metropolitan Joint Powers Agreement Watershed Management Organizations (per MN Statutes §103B.211). Applicants must be working under a current state approved and locally adopted water management plan.	Up to \$495,000; No match will be required of grant recipients.	April 21, 2014 – Nomination deadline at 4:30 PM	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/planning/1W1P/index.html	Doug Thomas, doug.thomas@state.mn.us or 651-215-6338 (office) or 651-655-2082 (cell).
Clean Water Funds: MDA Clean Water Ag BMP Loans	BWSR/MDA	Low interest loans to farmers, rural landowners, and agriculture supply businesses to support agricultural BMPs that prevent or reduce runoff from feedlots, farm fields and other pollution problems identified by the county in local water plans. Any LGU can apply, but awards will be coordinated through existing contract holders.	Available funding in FY 2014 TBD	No local match required.	Application period for FY 2014 Competitive Grants will open Sept 3, 2013. Tentative application deadline is October 4, 2013.	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	David Miller, Dept of Agriculture at (651) 201-6618 or AgBMP.Loans@state.mn.us.
Accelerated Implementation & Shared Services	BWSR	Before on-the-ground clean water projects get implemented, there is the need for pre-project identification, planning and design. This grant invests in building capacity for local governments to accelerate on-the-ground projects that improve or protect water quality and perform beyond existing standards. Whether conducting inventories, developing and using analytical tools, providing technical assistance or citizen interaction, local governments will be better prepared after receiving these grants.	SWCDs, Watershed Districts, WMOs, Counties, Cities2, and JPBs of these organizations; JPB Technical Service Areas made up of member SWCDs (Shared Services)	25% local match required ; \$2,150,000 (Acclerated Implementation); \$2,000,000 (Shared Services)	Application period for FY 2014 Competitive Grants will open Sept 3, 2013; deadline is October 4, 2013. No additional information at this time	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html	Dave Weirens Land and Water Section Manager Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources 520 Lafayette Road St. Paul, Mn 55155 Office: 651.297.3432
Riparian Restoration and Streambank Stabilization Program (RASP)	Hennepin County	Program to fund projects that will reduce erosion and stabilize stream banks throughout <u>Hennepin County</u> . Priority will be given to projects that: -Incorporate the use of the Minnesota Conservation Corps or the Tree Trust -Are identified as priority by the local water management organization. -Address the erosion and bank stabilization of streams listed as impaired or are tributary to impaired waters. -Provide significant leverage of grant funds from other sources.	Local governments within <u>Hennepin County</u> , including cities, watershed districts, and joint-powers watershed organizations and park districts, are eligible for funding.	\$500,000 available for grant program.	Applications are due on October 16, 2009.	www.hennepin.us/streambankgrants	Hennepin County Environmental Services DESMail@co.hennepin.mn.us 612-348-3777 Applications attention to Joel Settles
Clean Water Funds: MDH Well Sealing Grants	BWSR/MDA	Well sealing assistance can be provided to homeowners, businesses, industries and other public and private entities who own wells that were never designated as public water supply wells by the Minnesota Department of Health.	Grants available to SWCDs, Watershed Districts, WMOs, Counties, Cities, and JPBs of these organizations. An unused public water-supply well must have: 1) provided drinking water to at least 25 or more people for at least 60 days annually, or 2) was inspected by MDH as part of the Public Water-Supply Supervision Program.	50% local match required (cash or in-kind). Approximately \$250,000 available in FY 2014 (tentative).	Well owners may be reimbursed up to \$1200 for well cleaning/well sealing performed by a licensed well contractor. Available through local SWC District. Well must have had two positive tests for coliform bacteria since June 19, 2012.	http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/cwl/sealing.html	Nancy La Plante, Grant Coordinator Well Management Section Minnesota Department of Health Telephone: (651) 201-3651

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Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Drinking Water	<u>MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)</u>	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 (DWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the list to be eligible for below market rate DWRF 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.	The PFA loan application and project plans and specifications must be submitted to the appropriate agency by May 2, 2014; Intended Use Plans are due June 6, 2014	Submissions are easy to prepare. Go to www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/dwrf for instructions on what to submit, a general program overview, and for an example of a simplified submission.	Contact Chad Kolstad at 651-201-3972 or chad.kolstad@state.mn.us
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Wastewater & Stormwater	<u>MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)</u>	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.	Proposals are being accepted to place wastewater or stormwater collection and treatment system projects on the Clean Water Revolving Fund (CWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the PPL to be eligible to apply for below market rate CWRF 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.	The PFA loan application and project plans and specifications must be submitted to the appropriate agency by March 7, 2014; Intended Use Plans are due June 6, 2014	To obtain the necessary PPL instructions, application forms and general program information go to: 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
Clean Water Conservation Drainage Grants	<u>BWSR</u>	Funds for pilot projects to retrofit existing drainage systems with water quality improvement practices, evaluate outcomes and provide outreach to landowners, public drainage authorities, drainage engineers, contractors and others.	Grants available to <u>SWCDs</u> , <u>Watershed Districts</u> , <u>WMOs</u> , <u>Counties</u> , and <u>JPBs of these organizations</u> .	25% local match required (cash or in-kind). Approximately \$1,000,000 available in FY 2013	Application period for FY 2014 Competitive Grants will open Sept 3, 2013; deadline is October 4, 2013. No additional information at this time	http://www.mda.state.mn.us/agbmploans	AgBMP Loan Program AgBMP.Loans@state.mn.us 651-201-6618 Dwight Wilcox, Program Administrator Dwight.Wilcox@state.mn.us 1-800-967-2474 or 651-201-6618
CWP Implementation Loans	<u>MPCA</u>	Proposals being accepted for low interest loans for projects that implement activities, such as best management practices, that are identified by a comprehensive assessment and planning process in the watershed or around the water body of concern. Such assessment must consist of an MPCA-approved CWP Phase I or equivalent diagnostic study and implementation plan.	Local government units if they have the following: A. The authority to pledge its full faith and credit to ensure repayment of a project implementation loan B. The authority to generate cash revenues for the repayment of a loan C. The authority to enter into a loan agreement with the agency OR, the LGU must submit a resolution from at least one other local unit of government that meets the above criteria stating that they will participate in the project as a loan sponsor.	Low-interest loan program (no funding limit)	no information at this time	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/cwp-319.html#rfp	Pete Fastner (CWP) Regional Environmental Management Minnesota Pollution Control Agency St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194 (651) 282-6245 peter.fastner@pca.state.mn.us
Great Lakes Coal Tar Sealcoat PAH Reduction Project	<u>MPCA</u>	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting proposals from Great Lakes Region oriented organizations to create a Great Lakes Coal Tar Sealcoat Reduction project presence in one or more of the Great Lake States (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and Canada), preferably outside Minnesota and Wisconsin.	Must be a non-profit organization, either government-based, academically-based, or a private non- governmental organization which is recognized as tax-exempt by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Must be oriented towards human health, environmental, watershed, or regional/Great Lakes (including Canada) located in one of the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio or Pennsylvania.	The maximum amount of federal funds available from that grant for this contract is \$50,000.	Proposals are due January 21, 2014	google.com/site/greatlakespahreduction/home/project-support---request-for-proposals	Contact for this Grant RFP is: Geneva Turner, Contract Specialist, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Email: Contracts.pca@state.mn.us , with subject line: "CR7099 Great Lakes Coal Tar Sealcoat"
Great Lakes Coal Tar Sealcoat PAH Reduction Project Subgrant	<u>MPCA</u>	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has executed a subgrant contract with Freshwater Future to lead work in Great Lakes states (outside Minnesota) and in Ontario through September 30th, the remainder of the project period funded by U.S. EPA. Freshwater Future will facilitate broader education on the PAH loadings attributed to coal tar-based sealcoat, and a localized approach to reducing those loadings through suppliers and purchasers switching to safer alternatives..	MPCA will assist Freshwater Future in adapting resources and tools used in earlier stages of the project, in measuring the effect of outreach efforts, and in developing mechanisms for maintaining coal tar PAH reduction education in the Region beyond September 30th.	amounts available at this time	no information at this time	https://sites.google.com/site/greatlakespahreduction/home/project-support---request-for-proposals	Webpages about the impacts of PAH coal tar sealcoats on our waters and what can be done are coming soon! For more information, contact Cheryl Kallio, Associate Director at Cheryl@freshwaterfuture.org or 231-571-5001.

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Section 319 Developmental, Education, and Applied Research (DER) Grants	<u>MPCA (Federal funds)</u>	The MPCA anticipates about \$2.5 million will be available this year, contingent upon Congressional appropriation. There is a maximum limit of \$300,000 per project funding request. Projects must be funded with at least a 45 percent local cash or in-kind match. Grant funds are limited and MPCA urges proposers to request only those funds needed to complete a project by Aug. 31, 2018. Proposals should be for one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nonpoint source development, education or applied research projects (DER) projects; or• Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) or Watershed Protection and Restoration Strategy (WRAPS) implementation projects.	Any individual or entity may request funds. Project must not be under enforcement action, part of a permitted wastewater treatment plant, or address feedlot or stormwater permit requirements. For TMDL/ WRAPS implementation projects, eligible proposers must have a TMDL Implementation Plan or WRAPS approved by the MPCA by June 30, 2014.	There is a maximum limit of \$300,000 per project funding request. Projects must be funded with at least a 45 percent local cash or in-kind match. The Federal share can be no more than 55 percent. MPCA urges proposers to request only those funds needed to complete a project by August 31, 2018.	Proposals must be electronically received through the state SWIFT Supplier Portal no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 20, 2014.	https://supplier.swift.state.mn.us/psp/fmssupap/SUPPLIER/ERP/h/?tab=SUP_GUEST	Questions may be e-mailed to contracts.pca@state.mn.us, Attention: Julianne
Section 319 TMDL/Watershed Protection & Restoration Strategy (WRAPS) Grants	<u>MPCA (Federal funds)</u>	Grant funding available for implementation projects that address TMDL restoration activities. Eligible proposers must have an TMDL implementation plan approved by the MPCA by June 1, 2011.	Any individual or entity may request funds. Project must not be under enforcement action, part of a permitted wastewater treatment plant, or address feedlot or stormwater permit requirements.	A maximum of \$300,000 per project request; must be funded with at least a 45% local cash or in-kind match. The Federal share can be no more than 55%. MPCA urges proposers to request only those funds needed to complete a project by Aug 31, 2017.	Information about the next funding round should be available in early May 2014.	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/cwp-319.html#rfp	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 Legacy (CWL) TMDL Development Funds	<u>MPCA, BWSR, MDA, MDNR (Federal, State, Local & Private funds)</u>	TMDL studies only: collection and assessment of water quality data, development of pollutant reduction strategies.	Local units of government. Watershed/waterbody must be on the 303(d) list of impaired waters. Funds are distributed through a non-competitive process by MPCA, based on TMDL scheduling factors.	No matching funds are required.	Contact MPCA	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/cwp-319.html#rfp	Juline Holleran Regional Environmental Management Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (651) 296-7701 juline.holleran@pca.state.mn.us
Surface Water Assessment Grant	<u>MPCA (State funds)</u>	Grant program to monitor the physical, chemical and/or bacteriological water quality parameters of lakes or streams to determine their condition. Only those targeted lakes or stream sites identified by the MPCA (see website) will be eligible for grant funding	Eligible applicants include Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Watershed Districts, Watershed Management Organizations, local units of government (i.e., counties, cities, townships, and Lake Improvement Districts), regional governmental groups (i.e. Joint Powers Boards), Minnesota colleges and universities, nonprofit organizations, and American Indian Tribal governments in Minnesota.	Up to \$750,000. No matching funds are required.	January 17, 2014 by 2pm	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/swagrnt.html	For any additional questions regarding the Surface Waters Assessment Grants, please contact Kelly O'Hara at 651-757-2622 or 1-800-657-3864.
Targeted Watersheds Grants Program	USEPA	EPA is now accepting proposals for water quality trading or other market-based projects, which must address reducing nitrogen, phosphorus, sediment, or other pollutant loadings that cause low oxygen levels in local waters and which enter the Mississippi River system.	Projects must be located in one of the three Mississippi River sub-basins with the highest nutrient loads contributing to hypoxia in the Northern Gulf of Mexico: the Ohio River, the Upper Mississippi River , or the Lower Mississippi River. Proposals must be nominated by the governor of the state in which the project resides.	\$1,000,000 maximum application limit. 25% non-Federal funding match required.	No information at this time	http://www.epa.gov/watershed/initiative/#update	Paul Thomas USEPA Region 5 312-886-7742 thomas.paul@epa.gov
Aquatic Invasive Species Control Projects - Summer Grant Program	MDNR	The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Invasive Species Program offers Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grants. These grants are intended to help fund the control of Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) or flowering rush (FR). This mid - summer offer is an opportunity for local entities, such as lake associations, watershed districts, cities, and counties to receive state funding and/or partner with the DNR on the control of these invasive aquatic plant species, particularly newly discovered infestations.	This offer is an opportunity for local entities, such as lake associations, watershed districts, cities, and counties to receive state funding and/or partner with the DNR on the control of these invasive aquatic plant species.	Maximum grant : \$10,000	Due Sept 15, 2014	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/aquatic_invasive/control-projects.html	Wendy Crowell, Grants Coordinator DNR Ecological Resources Phone: (651) 259-5085 wendy.crowell@dnr.state.mn.us

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Pilot Projects to control Eurasian watermilfoil or Curly-leaf pondweed on a lake-wide basis	MDNR	Program to support pilot projects to control curlyleaf pondweed and/or eurasian watermilfoil on a lake-wide or bay-wide basis. The purpose of these projects is to provide ecological benefits and relief from the nuisances caused by the plants.	Organizations such as lake associations, conservation districts, watershed districts, and municipalities. To be eligible, a lake must have at least one public water access.	No matching funds required.	No information at this time		Wendy Crowell, DNR Ecological Resources (651) 259-5085 E-mail: wendy.crowell@dnr.state.mn.us
State Cost Share Program	<u>Minnesota Soil & Water Conservation Districts</u>	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 County Conservation District Water Quality Cost-Share	<u>Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District</u>	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 SWCD.	http://www.mnwcd.org/financial_assistance.php	Contact SWCD.
Conservation Cost Share (CCS) Program	<u>Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District</u>	Program is designed to support non-agricultural water quality projects that preserve or restore natural resources by providing technical and cost share assistance.	Dakota County property owners, neighborhood groups, and small organizations	Up to \$4,000 available to fund each project, up to 65% of total cost.	Applications are accepted all year.	http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html	Jim Davidson, Urban Conservationist (651) 480-7779 jim.davidson@co.dakota.mn.us
Community Conservation Partnership	<u>Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District</u>	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 preject for up to 65% of the actual project cost.	Applications must be submitted by March 15th, May 15th, or July 15th of each year.	http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/costshare.html	Jim Davidson Dakota County SWCD 651-480-7777
Conservation Initiative Funding Program	<u>Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District</u>	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	\$20,000 maximum cost share to reimburse applicant for up to 50% estimated project cost	Applications are accepted all year.	http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html	Dakota County Soil and Water Conservation District 4100 220th Street West, Suite 102 Farmington, MN 55024 (651) 480-7777
Cynthia Krieg Watershed Stewardship Fund	<u>Minnehaha Creek Watershed District</u>	Grants are available every year for projects within the <u>Minnehaha Creek Watershed District</u> that: -result in greater public awareness of ways to improve water quality (Education Grants). These projects may include a water quality improvement project. -use of new and innovative techniques for stormwater management , water quality improvement, or habitat enhancement (Innovation Grants).	Non-profit organizations, businesses, cities, townships, and school districts within the <u>Minnehaha Creek Watershed District</u> may apply.	Previously awarded projects have ranged from \$1,000 to \$30,000.	typically due in the fall	http://www.minnehahacreek.org/ckrieg_app.php	Leslie Yetka Education Manager 952-641-4524 ext. 209 lyetka@minnehahacreek.org
Water Pollutant Load Monitoring Network	MPCA	MPCA provides grants to collect water quality data during events when runoff is high to gauge contaminant concentrations and loads from the watershed.	Soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, regional planning organizations, watershed management organizations, local units of government, regional government groups, joint powers boards, Minnesota colleges and universities, nonprofit organizations and American Indian Tribal governments.	Up to \$950,000 in available funds for this grant round.	Ensure that you've obtained your SWIFT IDs. All applications must be submitted through the Statewide Integrated Financial Tools (SWIFT) e-supplier portal and must be received no later than October 25, 2013.	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/water/water-types-and-programs/su	Daniel McLean MPCA 651-757-2563 contracts.pca@state.mn.us subject: CR5905 WPLMN
Environmental & Education							

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Environmental Quality Incentives Program	<u>USDA NRCS MN</u>	The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary program that provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers through contracts up to a maximum term of ten years in length. These contracts provide financial assistance to help plan and implement conservation practices that address natural resource concerns and for opportunities to improve soil, water, plant, animal, air and related resources on agricultural land and non-industrial private forestland. In addition, a purpose of EQIP is to help producers meet Federal, State, Tribal and local environmental regulations.	The first step in seeking NRCS assistance is to call your local USDA Service Center and make an appointment with NRCS staff that will help you identify the natural resource problems and opportunities on your farm, define your conservation objectives, and inventory your soil, water, air, plant and animal resources. Much of this information will require a field visit to see your operation and to evaluate the resource concerns you may have.	Funding: Contracts will be awarded to producers with the highest rankings until funds are exhausted. Upon request by the applicant, applications that are not funded in the current fiscal year funding cycle can be retained for consideration in the next federal fiscal year (begins October, 2014).	EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis. See your local NRCS office.	http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/mn/programs/financial/?cid=nrcs142p2_023506	Program Contact Brenda Tonn, Program Specialist Phone: 651-602-7883 Email: brenda.tonn@mn.usda.gov
Environmental Assistance Grant Program	<u>MPCA</u>	The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is now accepting applications for 2014-2015 grant funding through the Environmental Assistance Grant Program. Applications are being accepted for proposals in the following nine focus areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus area A. Volatile Organic Chemicals (VOCs)• Focus area B. Food Waste Reduction• Focus area C. Green Chemistry & Design Curriculum• Focus area D. Reuse/Repair/Rent• Focus area E. Environmental Solid Waste Management Practices• Focus area F. Communities Adapting to Climate Change and Extreme Weather• Focus area G. City Sustainability Policy Development• Focus area H. State ENERGY STAR Commercial Buildings Goal• Focus area I. School Site Sustainability and Student Environmental Education	For the FY 2014-15 EA Grant Round, eligible applicants include Minnesota residents, organizations, businesses, institutions, and political subdivisions of the State (Minn. R. 9210.0810, subp. 2.B). Eligibility may be further defined within each Focus Area and/or Preferred Proposal.	Approx. \$1 million	July 16, 2014: Focus areas B-I ; August 13, 2014: Focus Area A.	http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/about-mpca/assistance/financial-assistance/environmental-assistance-grants-and-loans/environmental-assistance-grants-program.html	Jeannie Given, Contract Specialist Minnesota Pollution Control Agency E-mail: contracts.pca@state.mn.us (with subject line: "CR 7034, EA Question").
Environmental Education Regional Grants	<u>US EPA</u>	Program to increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental issues and provide the skills that participants in its funded projects need to make informed environmental decisions and take responsible actions toward the environment.	Eligible applicants include local education agencies, colleges or universities, state education or environmental agencies, nonprofit organizations, or noncommercial educational broadcasting entities.	The maximum award amount is \$216,000. Available funding of approximately \$2,160,000 for each of the ten EPA Regions. Cost sharring requirement is 25% non-federal matching funds.	The next grant solicitation will open in Fall 2014.	http://www.epa.gov/education/grants/index.html	Megan Gavin, U.S. EPA, Region 5 Grants Management Section (AT-18J) 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3507 gavin.megan@epa.gov
Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program	Center for Watershed Protection (funding from USEPA Targeted Watershed Initiative Grant)	Based on this legislation, BWSR created the Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program and is seeking nominations for three to six project watersheds to participate.	Priority will be given to watersheds where there are current water quality impairments or priority water resources near the tipping point of becoming impaired. Proposed watersheds should have the threat to the water resource clearly identified, a thorough understanding of the pollution sources and pathways within the watershed, and baseline water quality data against which change can be assessed. Preference will be given to watersheds that are 10 or 12-digit Hydrologic Unit Codes.	Up to \$12,000,000; 25% cash match: Match includes cash from landowners, non-profits, local and federal units of government, or private entities. In-kind landowner services are not considered match for this program.	No information at this time	http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/	questions may also be submitted by email to cwfquestions@state.mn.us .
Green Partners	<u>Hennepin County</u>	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.	•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 \$15,000 to implement an innovative project	Proposal due June 6	http://www.hennepin.us/business/work-with-henn-co/green-partners-enviro-ed	For more information, contact Patience Caso at patience.caso@hennepin.us or call 612-348-9352.
Green Partners	<u>Hennepin County</u>	The commercial sector generates more than half of the total waste in Hennepin County, and nearly two-thirds of the waste created at businesses and non-profits is recyclable. Having a strong recycling program conserves natural resources and reduces greenhouse gas emissions, can help your bottom line, and demonstrates your organization's commitment to sustainability and the community.	For-profit and non-profit businesses, organizations and institutions, including multifamily housing. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be used to improve your organization's recycling program at facilities located in Hennepin County.	•Option 1: Receive up to \$10,000, primarily for containers; no match required •Option 2: Receive up to \$50,000, for large or innovative projects; 25% match required	Proposal due June 15 at 5pm	http://www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling	Email Andre.X.Xiong@hennepin.us or call 612-543-1316.

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Groundwater							
Source Water Protection Plan Implementation Grant Program	MN Dept of Health	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 \$200,000. The minimum amount for any grant is \$1,000, and the maximum amount for any grant is \$10,000.	Applications for this grant program are accepted between March 1, 2014 and 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 31, 2014	http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/grants/implementation.html	Ms. Cristina Covalschi SWP Grant Coordinator Telephone: (651) 201-4696 Email: Cristina.Covalschi@state.mn.us
Source Water Protection Competitive Grant Program	MN Dept of Health	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. The minimum amount for any grant is \$500, and the maximum amount is \$10,000 and require an equal cost share.	Applications for this grant are accepted between April 1, 2014 and 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 30, 2014.	http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/grants/competitive.html	Ms. Cristina Covalschi SWP Grant Coordinator Minnesota Department of Health 651-201-4701 Cristina.Covalschi@state.mn.us
Technical Capacity Mini-Grant Program	Center for Watershed Protection (funding from USEPA Targeted Watershed Initiative Grant)	Grants will be awarded to strengthen the technical capacity of small watershed groups in the area of stormwater and watershed management. These grants may be awarded in the form of direct assistance from Center for Watershed Protection staff. Alternatively, mini-grant recipients may also receive cash assistance and tailored information where necessary.	Small not-for-profit watershed groups within the U.S.	Up to ten \$5,000-\$15,000 grants will be awarded.	No information at this time	http://www.cwp.org/Calendar/	Lisa Fraley-McNeal Center for Watershed Protection lfm@cwp.org
Water Quantity							
2014 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants	FEMA	FEMA announced the Funding Opportunities for FY 2014 1) Pre-Disaster Mitigation and 2) Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA). Pre-Disaster program provides funds for hazard mitigation planning and projects on an annual basis. FMA provides funds for projects to reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to buildings that are insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) on an annual basis. Applicants are encouraged to review the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Unified Guidance for detailed information regarding eligibility and to contact their FEMA Regional Office for additional information.	Local governments are considered sub-applicants and must apply to their applicant state/territory. Program open to all states, territories, and federally-recognized tribal governments.	Flood Mitigation Assistance = \$89 mil; Pre-disaster Mitigation = \$23 mil	Grant applications must be submitted to FEMA through the Mitigation eGrants system on the FEMA Grants Portal accessible on the Internet at https://portal.fema.gov no later than 3:00 PM ET on July 25, 2014.	HMA Home Page: http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance FEMA Regional Offices: http://www.fema.gov/regional-operations FEMA State Hazard Mitigation Officers: http://www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers	HMA Helpline: 866.222.3580
Federal Aid Programs For State Of Minnesota Disaster Recovery	FEMA	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

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Dam Safety Grants	<u>MDNR</u>	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 or contact:	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
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	<u>MN Dept of Public Safety - Homeland Security and Emergency Management</u>	The HMGP is a cost-share grant (75% federal/25% local) made available statewide post- disaster. Due to the floods of June 2012 and resulting disaster declaration DR-4069-MN, funds are now available for mitigation projects. The State Hazard Mitigation Team will meet in April to evaluate NOIs. Eligible applicants will be invited to develop full HMGP applications. Potential projects include: •Acquisition of repetitively damaged structures from flood-prone areas •Tornado safe rooms •Retrofit of overhead power lines •Warning Sirens - Beyond the Tornado and into the 21st Century	Currently, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) has funding available to qualified communities interested in mitigating future damage from natural hazards and helping residents stay safe during severe weather. Eligible applicants include: •State and local governments •Certain private non-profit organizations and institutions •Native American tribes and authorized tribal organizations	The HMGP is a cost-share grant (75% federal/25% local) made available statewide post-disaster. Due to the floods of June 2012 and resulting disaster declaration DR-4069-MN, funds are now available for mitigation projects. The State Hazard Mitigation Team will meet to evaluate NOIs. Eligible applicants will be invited to	Currently, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) has funding available to qualified communities interested in mitigating future damage from natural hazards and helping residents stay safe during severe weather.	https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/hsem/hazard-mitigation/Pages/current-grant-opportunities.aspx	Jon Huspek, Director, Admin and Grants Branch jon.huspek@state.mn.us 651-201-7454
Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants	<u>MDNR</u>	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
Natural Resources/Habitat Protection							
Regional Conservation Partnership Program	<u>USDA</u>	NRCS is the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) conservation agency working to identify and address natural resource objectives and implement conservation practices and activities to deliver environmental benefits locally, regionally, and nationally. Through the new Farm Bill, NRCS has been given the authority to enhance regional cooperation to more effectively implement and maintain conservation activities, thereby promoting the restoration and sustainable use of soil, water, wildlife, and related natural resources on regional or watershed scales. NRCS will co-invest in mobilizing creative and workable solutions to agricultural production and resource management challenges. These solutions will benefit not only individual farming, ranching, and forest operations, but also local economies and the communities and resource users in a watershed or other geographic area that depend on the quality of the natural resources.	Great Lakes Region: IL, IN, MI, MN, NY, PA, OH, WI - inadequate habitat for fish and wildlife Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) Private institutions of higher education Public and State controlled institutions of higher education State governments County governments Special district governments City or township governments	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$400,000,000 Award Ceiling: \$20,000,000	Jul 14, 2014 Closed date is for submission of Pre-proposal applications only. Selected applicants will be notified to submit full proposals.	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=256049	Frankie Comfort Grants & Agreements Specialist Phone 202-690-0164.
Community Conservation Assistance	<u>MDNR</u>	Grants are available to assist local governments with obtaining baseline land cover data and the integration of land cover and natural resources information into local development and conservation plans, policies, and practices. The program is especially interested in innovative projects that seek to resolve challenges associated with the conservation of remaining natural habitats in rapidly changing communities.	Cities, counties, townships, and special purpose districts (watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and soil and water conservation districts) within the 12 county greater metro region are eligible. Multi-jurisdictional applicants are welcome if one applicant is identified as the principal grantee for the entire proposed project. Project must be wholly or partially be located within Metropolitan conservation corridors.	A 25% local or in-kind contribution is required.	No information at this time	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/conservationagenda/growth_dev/direction/community.html	To discuss project eligibility contact: Sharon Pfeifer Community Assistance Manager tel. (651) 259-5790 e-mail sharon.pfeifer@state.mn.us For information on the application process contact: Marybeth Block tel. (651) 259-5835 e-mail marybeth.block@state.mn.us
Great Lakes Restoration Intiative - Partners for Fish and Wildlife	<u>FWS</u>	The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative targets the most significant environmental problems in the Great Lakes ecosystem by funding and implementing federal projects that address these problems. One goal is to improve habitat and wildlife protection and restoration. Using funding from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program anticipates funding wetland and associated upland habitat restoration and enhancement projects for conservation of native Great Lakes fish and wildlife populations, particularly migratory birds. Restoration projects will be completed on privately owned (non-federal/non-state) lands. Emphasis will be placed on, but not limited to, completing projects within the watersheds of Great Lakes Areas of Concern.	The PFW Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore and conserve fish and wildlife habitat. The PFW Program is not a traditional grants program; it is a direct federal assistance program. The PFW Program does not solicit projects through a request for proposals. Instead, projects are developed in collaboration and with substantial involvement from PFW field biologists. In the Great Lakes, PFW biologists from eight states work directly with landowners to plan and implement projects based on priorities and geographic focus areas identified in a regional strategic plan.	Estimated Total Program Funding: \$432,809	No information at this time	http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=228097	For more information, contact the local PFW Program office. For office contact information please visit: http://www.fws.gov/partners/contactUs.html .

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Great Lakes Restoration and Protection Program	USFWS	Program to provide funding and technical expertise to restore Great Lakes coastal habitats, including fish and bird habitats.	Eligible applicants are state fish and wildlife agencies and other non-federal conservation agencies or organizations that provide at least 25% of the grant request (Federal share) as non-federal match for habitat restoration, enhancement and protection activities.	Up to \$1 million available; individual awards between \$25,000 and \$290,000, matching contribution of 25% required.	No information at this time	http://www.fws.gov/gli/newsroom.htm	Barbara Pardo at 612-713-5433 or Barbara_pardo@fws.gov Mitch Hartley at 413-253-8779 or Mitch_hartley@fws.gov
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Fund	<u>Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council</u>	The mission of the Outdoor Heritage Fund is to protect, restore, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests and habitat for fish, game and wildlife. Priorities vary by region- see website for more information.	Program is open to all who want to apply.	An estimated \$92 million available in FY 2014. Minimum award of \$400,000. Leverage funding encouraged.	No update at this time	http://www.isohc.leg.mn/FY2014/index.html	Bill Becker, Executive Director 651-296-6397 bill.becker@isohc.leg.mn Heather Koop, Project Analyst Manager 651-297-7142 heather.koop@isohc.leg.mn Sandy Smith, Council Assistant 651-297-7141 sandy.smith@isohc.leg.mn
Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program (from Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council)	MDNR	Grant program for enhancement, restoration, or protection of forests, wetlands, prairies, and habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands permanently protected by conservation easement or public ownership or in waters designated as public waters. Acquisitions will protect wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife by acquiring land through fee title or permanent conservation easement.	Eligible applicants are limited to local, regional, state, and national non-profit organizations, including government entities. Private individuals and for-profit organizations are not eligible to apply for these grants.	\$3494000; New this year is the dedication of \$500,000 to projects located within the 7-county metro area or within a city with a population of 50,000 people or greater. Apply through the O25/U25 cycle for these funds.	The application system for the Traditional and Metro O25/U25 grant cycle is closed for FY2014. All funds have been awarded and there will not be a second round of funding.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl	LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us Jessica Lee, CPL Grant Program Coordinator 651-259-5233 (St. Paul) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant MN DNR 500 Lafayette Road Box #20 St. Paul, MN 55155
Expedited Conservation Program Grant Cycle-Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program	MDNR	Grant program to restore or enhance prairies, wetlands, forests, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Program provides matching grants of up to \$50,000. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands in public ownership or waters designated as public waters. All project sites must be open to the public for all seasons of hunting and fishing.	Eligible applicants are limited to local, regional, state, and national non-profit organizations, including government entities. Private individuals and for-profit organizations are not eligible to apply for these grants.	\$1 million in dedicated ECP funding. Grants up to \$50,000 with 10% match required.	Program continuously open from Aug. 1, 2013 through May 14, 2014 or until all funds are awarded.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl/ecp-grant-cycle.html	
Native Shoreland Buffer Incentives Program	MDNR	This program is intended to support Local Governmental Units (LGU) in their efforts to offer incentives to private landowners who maintain or restore native vegetative buffers along shorelands of lakes, rivers and streams. This is a new opportunity for local entities to receive state funding and technical assistance for the design, implementation and evaluation of a shoreland incentives program of their own design.	The LGU must be a county, city, township or watershed district with 1) shoreland ordinances that meet or exceed statewide minimum shoreland standards, 2) an effective enforcement plan for its shoreland ordinances, 3) demonstrated capacity to provide \$25,000 cash or in-kind match, effective administration of its proposed incentives program and local resources to participate in efficacy research on its proposed incentives program.	Two grants of \$75,000 will be distributed.	Letter of intent to apply requested by September 15, 2008 . Attendance at Oct. 17, 2008 Incentives Project Design Workshop strongly encouraged. Proposal submittal deadline is December 1, 2008 . No current funding for this program.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/comm_con/shoreland_buffer.html	Erika Rivers DNR Lakes Planner 1201 E. Highway 2 Grand Rapids, MN 55744 (218) 999-7914 Erika.rivers@dnr.state.mn.us
Roadsides for Wildlife	MDNR	Program to encourage local road authorities and landowners to use Integrated Roadside Resource Management Techniques so that ecological value (water, soil, wildlife, native plants) are considered. Eligible projects include revegetation of roadsides with native grass and forb seed, demonstration plots on biological weed control, and native seed planting and harvesting equipment.	Public road authorities, conservation groups, private landowners.	Applicants reimbursed for up to 75% of eligible local ecotype native prairie seed costs, with a maximum cost-share ratio of \$300 per acre.	Applications accepted year round.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/roadsides.html	Roadsides for Wildlife Program Pete Schaefer, DNR Division of Wildlife 261 Highway 15 South New Ulm, MN 56073-8915 (507) 225-3572
Metro Conservation Corridor Partnership Habitat Restoration Program	<u>Great River Greening</u>	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.	Funding is allocated as projects come in.	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/metroconservationcorridors/index.html	For more information, please contact: Sharon Pfeifer, 651-259-5790 Metro Greenways, sharon.pfeifer@state.mn.us Cordelia Pierson, 651-999-5312 The Trust for Public Land, cordelia.pierson@tpl.org
Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership	<u>Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership/ U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)</u>	Program focused on river and stream projects that protect, restore or enhance aquatic habitats. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Steven Krentz, GPFHP Coordinator, at 701-355-8547 or Steven_Krentz@fws.gov.	Call Steven Krentz for more information on eligibility. Projects must be within the Missouri River watershed, the Arkansas River watershed within the State of Kansas, and the Souris and Red River watersheds within the State of North Dakota and western Minnesota (see map at http://www.prairiefish.org/maps.html)_ <u>Successful proposals should demonstrate a minimum of 1:1 match if possible</u>	GPFHP allocates funding among 5 – 8 individual projects annually. The exact amount of funding available to the partnership varies, annually, and is currently unknown for fiscal year 2014 and beyond.	No information at this time	http://www.midwestfishhabitats.org/apply	Minnesota La Crosse FWCO Louise Mauldin Louise_Mauldin@fws.gov O: 608-783-8407 F: 608-783-8450 555 Lester Avenue Onalaska, WI 54650

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Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership	<u>Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership/USFWS</u>	The Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership (MGLP), a fish habitat partnership, is seeking project proposals to benefit fish habitat in Midwestern lakes. Funds can only be used for on-the-ground habitat conservation and improvement projects and related design and monitoring activities.	Any group that has the ability to plan, implement and evaluate a habitat project that benefits a lake(s).	While all project dollar amounts will be considered, projects in the range of \$15,000-\$30,000 will be most attractive to fund.	No information at this time	http://www.midwestglaciallakes.org/events/	katie.haws@state.mn.us
North American Wetland Conservation Act U.S. Small Grants Program	<u>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)</u>	Program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United State only. Projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats	See website.	50% matching funds required. Maximum grant awards of \$75,000.	U.S. Standard Grants Deadlines: March 1, 2013 and July 26, 2013. U.S. Small Grants Deadlines: October 31, 2013.	http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/index.shtm	Ken Kriese (703) 358-1888 ken_kriese@fws.gov Rodecia Mcknight (703) 358-2266. rodecia_mcknight@fws.gov
North American Wetland Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants Program	<u>USFWS</u>	Program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in Canada, US, and Mexico. Projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats	The Standard Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in Canada, the United States, and Mexico. These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats.	50% matching funds required. Grant awards between \$75,000 and \$1,000,000.	U.S. Standard Grants Deadlines: February, 28, 2014 and July 8, 2014.	http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/index.shtm	David Buie (david_buie@fws.gov), (301) 497-5870, or Stacy Sanchez, (stacy_sanchez@fws.gov), 703-358-1725.
Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act (NMBCA) Grant Program	<u>USFWS</u>	Program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States, Canada, Latin America, and the Caribbean that promote the long-term conservation of Neotropical migratory birds and their habitats. The goals of the Act include perpetuating healthy populations of these birds, providing financial resources for bird conservation initiatives, and fostering international cooperation for such initiatives.	The Fiscal Year 2014 Budget for this program has not yet been appropriated by the U.S. Congress. Therefore, we cannot guarantee that there will be funding for the upcoming funding cycle. We will fund as many meritorious proposals as possible with the funding we receive in our final appropriation.	3:1 funding match is required.	Please look for a new call in July 2014.	http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NMBCA/InstructionsENG.shtm	NMBCA Program Coordinators: Doug Ryan or Andrea Grosse 703-358-1784 neotropical@fws.gov.
Metro Greenways-Protection Grants	<u>MDNR</u>	Grants to help local governments acquire land (fee title or conservation easement) to protect and buffer important natural habitats from development. Program supports activities that: 1) are within the Metropolitan Conservation Corridors Area, 2) protect high quality sites with native plant, and 3) protect areas that are adjacent to or connect regionally significant ecological areas, rivers, streams wetlands or lakes.	Cities, counties, townships, and special purpose districts (watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and soil and water conservation districts) within the 12 county greater metro region.	50% matching funds (cash or in-kind) required	No information at this time	ttps://webapps8.dnr.state.mn.us/outcomes_reporting/programs/detail?id=1	Marybeth Block, MN DNR Community Assistance Specialist tel. (651) 259-5835 e-mail Marybeth.Block@dnr.state.mn.us
Metro Greenways-Restoration Grants	<u>MDNR</u>	Grants to help local governments carry out ecological restoration activities on terrestrial, wetland and riparian landscapes. Program supports restoration activities that: 1) are within the Metropolitan Conservation Corridors Area, 2) establish or support native plant and animal communities, 3) are based on sound ecological principals, and 4) buffer or connect significant ecological areas (see website for additional info)	Cities, counties, townships, and special purpose districts (watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and soil and water conservation districts) within the 12 county greater metro region.	50% matching funds (cash or in-kind) required	No update at this time	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us	Marybeth Block, MN DNR Community Assistance Specialist tel. (651) 259-5835 e-mail Marybeth.Block@dnr.state.mn.us
Metro Greenways-Community Conservation Assistance Grants	<u>MDNR</u>	Grants to help local governments acquire natural resources data and information to integrate into local plans, policies, and practices. Eligible projects include 1) land cover inventories to develop comprehensive baseline natural resources information, 2) land use decision-making models, 3) natural resources information integration into local plans, practices, policies, or regulations, 4) ordinance updates to conserve natural habitats and guide development, 5) natural resource based land use workshops for local government staff and officials, 6) cooperative, inter-jurisdictional efforts to plan for or manage a shared, vital natural habitat area, 7) other innovative projects that do not involve acquisition or restoration	Cities, counties, townships, and special purpose districts (watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and soil and water conservation districts) within the 12 county greater metro region.	Grants provide up to 75% of the total project costs	No update at this time	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/greenways	Marybeth Block, MN DNR Community Assistance Specialist tel. (651) 259-5835 e-mail Marybeth.Block@dnr.state.mn.us
Native Prairie Bank Program	<u>MDNR</u>	This program allows landowners to protect native prairie on their property through a conservation easement with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Permanent easements receive priority. Permanent Native Prairie Bank easements pay the landowner 65% of the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Permanent Marginal Agricultural Land payment rate (roughly 58.5% of the average estimated market value of crop land).	Private landowners with tracts of land covered by native prairie vegetation that have never been plowed.	see website.	Contact MDNR	http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/prairierestoration/prairiebank.html	Melissa Driscoll Land Protection Specialist Scientific and Natural Area Program Division of Ecological Resources MN DNR Box 25, 500 Lafayette Road St. Paul, MN 55155-4025 Phone: 651-259-5098 Fax: 651-296-1811 Cell: 612-390-9955 (for when I am on the road only) email. melissa.driscoll@state.mn.us

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