



Opportunity for Watershed Projects – 2018 Request for Proposals

For the first time MWCC has funding to assist watersheds groups implementing conservation projects on private land. Up to \$20,000 can be awarded to each recipient. There is a non-federal, 1:1 match requirement that can be met through cash or in-kind contributions.

Purpose

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to help watershed groups accomplish on-the-ground work with private landowners in their watershed. Projects may be completed in 2018 or 2019.

Who Qualifies for Support?

MWCC 2018 Watershed Partner Organizations. Partners organizations are listed on the MWCC Partner Page on the MWCC Website. *Projects must occur on private land within their watershed.*

Timeline

Funding can be utilized on one of two project schedules, those completed in 2018 or 2019. Proposals can be made for either timeline or on a multiyear schedule.

What is Required of Participants?

Participants will be expected to report to MWCC on the project deliverables, respond to surveys provided by MWCC, and provide other information as needed. Here are some initial deadlines to keep in mind:

- **June 15th:** Deadline to submit participation letter of interest and other application needs required by MWCC
- **June 2018:** Participant groups will be selected by the MWCC Watershed Fund Committee.
- **August 2018:** For 2018 projects, a status report is due to MWCC.
- **September 1 2018:** For 2018 projects, a final report is due to MWCC.
- **February 1 2019:** For 2019 projects, status report due to MWCC.
- **September 1, 2019:** Final report due to MWCC for 2019 projects.

Project Ideas

- Planting willows
- Other riparian vegetation projects
- Maintenance of riparian fencing and/or vegetation
- Browse protection for riparian vegetation
- Beaver mimicry, beaver deceivers, and/or beaver management
- Channel migration zone mapping
- Weed treatments
- **Other projects will be considered



How to Apply

Submit a project proposal by June 15th, 2018 to MWCC by email, including:

- Project description, including a general description with some photos if available. A full project design is not required at this time.
- Community Support
- Conservation impact, including: miles of stream restored or improved, acres of landscape made more resilient, conservation practices implemented, and stakeholders engaged.
- Timeline. Including whether the project will be completed by September 2018 or 2019.
- A description of how a DEQ approved Watershed Restoration Plan, State or Basin Water Plan, or local conservation plan is being implemented through the project
- Resource requirements (volunteers, in-kind contributions, equipment, supplies, etc.)
- Proposed budget
- Other funding being pursued, including secured funds and the likelihood of unsecured funds.

Budget Template: (adjust as needed)

Line Item	Funds Requested	Non-federal match	In-kind Match	Total Project Cost
Personnel				
Travel				
Equipment				
Contractual (describe)				
Other				
Indirect Cost				
Income				
Total				

Selection Process

- Proposals will be reviewed by MWCC Watershed Fund Committee
- Projects will be selected based on above requirements and demonstration the following:
 - MWCC watershed partner,
 - MWCC's familiarity with your work,
 - Access to complimentary funding,
 - Connection to state water plan/NPS management plan,
 - Evidence of broad stakeholder engagement,
 - Evidence of local leadership,



- Tied to a distinct land area or hydrologic boundary,
- Community based project goals and objectives,
- Budget concise, understandable and reasonable,
- Stakeholder engagement,
- Improvements to water quality,
- Changes in land management practices,
- Conservation practices implemented, and
- Acres protected or made more resilient.
- MWCC anticipates funding up to 5 projects in 2018-2019.

Questions?

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