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## 2019 SWCRPC Design/Implementation Block Grant – Round 3 Application

The Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission (SWCRPC) is administering a second block grant to support the design and implementation of clean water improvement and protection projects. Funding is provided by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VT DEC) Clean Water Initiative Program (CWIP). SWCRPC seeks proposals for preliminary engineering design, final engineering design, and construction of clean water projects. No local match is required under this program (with the exception of MS4 stormwater projects, which require 50% match).

RFP Issued..... June 5, 2020  
Application Due Date..... Friday, July 10, 2020 by 4:30PM EST  
Anticipated Notification of Award..... Friday, July 24, 2020

**Program Eligibility:** Eligible projects must have a primary benefit of nutrient and/or sediment pollution abatement and must be listed in DEC’s Watershed Projects Database (WPD). Further, projects must fall within one of the following sectors: Stormwater, rivers, lake shoreland, or forestry. For a more extensive list of eligibility requirements, please go to <https://www.swcrpc.org/design-implementation-block-grant/>. Please note that planning, assessment, monitoring, education/outreach, etc. projects are NOT eligible for funding under this program. Eligible project phases include preliminary (30%) engineering design, final (100%) engineering design, and implementation (construction).

**Selection Criteria:** Evaluation and selection of applications will consider, but may not be limited to:

1. Overall anticipated sediment/nutrient load reductions
2. Targets impaired or stressed waters
3. Aids in TMDL implementation
4. Listed as a high priority in an assessment or plan
5. Biomonitoring data suggests a need for the project
6. General cost effectiveness
7. Overall clarity and completeness of application
8. Local or other eligible match funds

# APPLICATION

## I. Cover Page

1a. Applicant Organization Name:

1b. Organization Type:

2a. Mailing Address:

2b. Town:

2c. State:

2d. Zip Code:

3a. Point of Contact Name:

3b. Title:

3c. Phone:

3d. Email:

## Project Information

4. Project Title:

5. Watershed Projects Database ID Number:

6a. Project Location Town:

6b. Land Owner Type:

7. Project Location Watershed:

8. Center Point of project Lat/Long:                      °N,                      °W

9. Project Type:

10a. Project Phase:

10b. Is this proposal the next phase of a previously awarded Clean Water Block Grant or Ecosystem Restoration Program project?

## Project Funding and Cost

11a. Project implementation funding requested (*excluding Program Delivery*):

11b. Program delivery funding requested (*not to exceed 10% of the total sum of 11a. above*)

11c. Match Provided (*if applicable, otherwise enter \$0*):

## **II. Project Summary:**

1. Project Description: Please provide a brief description of the project (*Describe the sediment/nutrient pollution issue, how it will be addressed, anticipated outcomes, and any other pertinent information that may demonstrate why the project is necessary*).

2. Water Quality Benefits (*Why is this project important in terms of magnitude of nutrient or sediment reduction? Is there an immediate need for this project? If possible, please quantify nutrient and/or sediment reduction potential.*)

### **III. Acknowledgement of Grant Milestone/Deliverables:**

I have read and understand the associated milestones and deliverables as outlined in the ***Design/Implementation Block Grant (Year 2 Pilot) Eligible Project Types, Standards, Milestones & Deliverables Spreadsheet*** associated with this project type and phase:

### **IV. Grant Performance Measures**

Performance Measures are standardized by Project Type and can be found in the ***Design/Implementation Block Grant (Year 2 Pilot) Eligible Project Types, Standards, Milestones & Deliverables Spreadsheet***. Please choose the appropriate performance measure(s) from the table based on your project type and project phase. Enter the quantitative value that will be achieved by the project:

Performance Measure 1:

Quantitative Value/Unit:

Performance Measure 2 (if applicable):

Quantitative Value/Unit:

### **V. Additional Application Materials to be submitted as a separate single PDF in the following order:**

#### **REQUIRED SUBMISSION MATERIALS:**

1. Design/Implementation Block Grant Application Form
2. Natural Resources Screening Map (*See instructions for mapping requirements*)
3. Project Readiness Screening Form
4. DEC Technical Staff Approval Form(s) (*the DEC Technical Staff Approval Form should be submitted to the applicable DEC program anytime you answer "yes" in response to a question on the Form. All Technical Staff Approval Forms must be submitted with applications*)
5. Budget Template
6. Bid(s), Proposal(s), or Quote(s) to support implementation cost in Budget
7. Landowner or municipal Letter of Support
8. Cash and/or in-kind match commitment documentation (if applicable)
9. Site photographs (3 photos maximum)
10. Optional documents (see below)

#### **OPTIONAL SUBMISSION MATERIALS:**

- Written landowner commitment to implement next project phase
- Operation & Maintenance (O&M) commitment confirmation

All of the above documents and forms can be found and downloaded from <https://www.swcrpc.org/design-implementation-block-grant/>. Please send questions to [CWBG@swcrpc.org](mailto:CWBG@swcrpc.org).