

MAXIMIZING YOUR OPPORTUNITY



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What Should You Consider To Help Get A High Score?

- Benefits to the Public and User
- What is a Public Benefit?
- Ecological Restoration Value
- Sustainability
- Cultural, Historical, or Educational Value
- Clear Project Management, Maintenance Plans, and Security



What Should You Consider? *(continued)*

- Budget Detail and Realism
- Community Support
- Confirmed, Non-state Matching Funds
(Average = \$3 match : \$1 state)
- Most Important – Is the Proposal Easily Understood by the Reviewer?



What Gets Funded?

- High Score
- Regional Significance
- Strong Public Impact
- Leverage, or Lots of Match



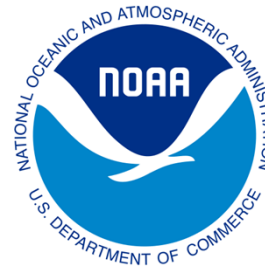
Types of Matching Funds

- **In-kind**
 - Land, conservation easements, equipment materials, labor
- **Cash**
 - Private donations, local grants, federal grants
- **NO State matching funds**



Primary Federal Funding Agencies:

- **U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA)**
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
 - U.S. Forest Service (FS)
- **U.S Department of Commerce**
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- **U.S. Department of Defense**
- **U.S Department of Energy**
- **U.S Department of Homeland Security**
 - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)



FEMA

Primary Federal Funding Agencies:

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- **U.S Department of the Interior (DOI)**
 - National Park Service
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- **U.S Department of Transportation (DOT)**
 - Federal Highway Administration
- **Environmental Protection Agency**
- **Congressionally Authorized Foundations:**
 - National Forest Foundation
 - National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
 - National Park Foundation



Federal Highway
Administration



National Park
Foundation

Department of Agriculture

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Programs



- Agriculture Conservation Easement Program
- Agricultural Land Easement
- Wetlands Reserve Easement
- Environmental Quality Incentives Program
- Conservation Stewardship Program
- Conservation Reserve Program
- Regional Conservation Partnership Program
- Emergency Watershed Protection Program
- Watershed Rehabilitation Program
- Healthy Forest Reserve Program
- Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations

Department of Agriculture

Forest Service Programs



- Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program
- Forest Legacy Program
- Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership Program
- Wood Innovation Grants

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

- Coastal Resilience Grants
- Coastal Zone Management
- Community Based Restoration Program
- Fish Passage
- Marine Debris
- National Estuarine Research Reserve System
- Ocean and Coastal Observing Systems



Department of Defense Programs

Army, Airforce, Marines, and Navy



- Army Compatible Use Buffer (ACUB)
- Readiness and Environment Protection Initiative (REPI)

Department of Energy

- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program
- Grants for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Improvements at Public School Facilities
- State Energy Program



Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Programs

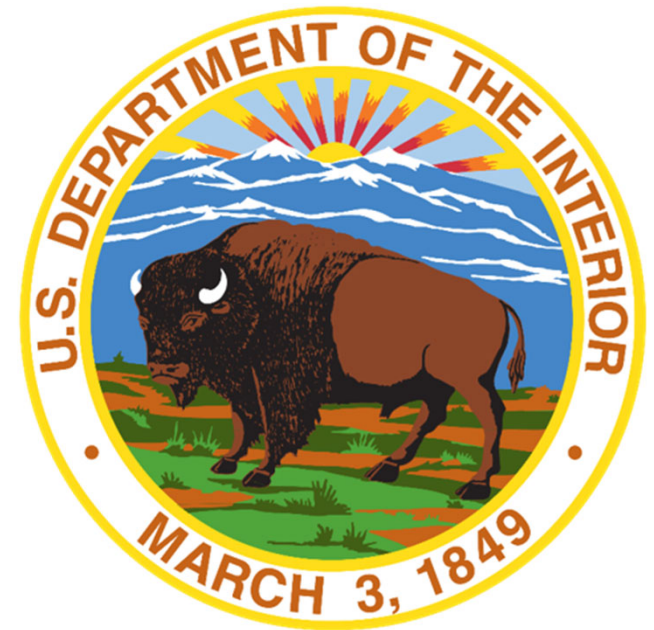


FEMA

- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Program
- Hazard Mitigation Revolving Loan Funds/Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act
- National Dam Safety Program
- Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams

Department of Interior Programs

- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration and Protection Projects
- Department of the Interior Grants for States and Tribes for Voluntary Restoration
- Ecosystem Fish Passage
- Land and Water Conservation Fund



Department of the Interior Programs

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Programs

- Coastal Program
- Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund
- North American Wetlands Conservation Act
- Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program



Federal Highway Administration Programs



Federal Highway
Administration

- Federal Lands Transportation Program
- National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grant
- Recreational Trails Program
- Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program

Environmental Protection Agency Programs

- Clean Water Act Nonpoint Source Grant (Section 319 Grants)
- Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Lines Replacement
- Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan
- Multipurpose Grants
- National Estuary Program Grants
- Pollution Prevention Grants



**Questions or
Comments?**