Clean Water Initiative Program – FY19 Funding Opportunities

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Clean Water Initiative Grants Webpage:
http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/grants

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“The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Clean Water Initiative Program (CWIP) provides ecosystem restoration funds in the form of grants and contracts to support projects that reduce sediment and nutrient pollution, including phosphorus, from runoff and soil erosion that discharge into the state’s rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and wetlands.”
CWIP Ecosystem Restoration Funding Policy

“The Policy’ offers clarity and transparency to grant and contract applicants, clean water improvement project proponents, state agencies, other program partners, and the public by presenting overarching program goals, CWIP funding priorities, and how CWIP administers clean water programs.”

‘The Policy’ includes:
I. Background
II. Purpose
III. CWIP & State Water Quality Goals
IV. Types & Overview of CWIP Clean Water Grants
V. Roles & Responsibilities
VI. Grant Eligibility
VII. Projects & Impacts to Natural Resources
VIII. Conclusion

Clean Water Initiative Grant Opportunities

- Ecosystem Restoration Grants
- Partnership Grants & Contracts (work crew, technical outreach and capacity building, etc.)
- Partnership Block Grant – Pilot (Project development)
- Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid Block Grant
- Design/Implementation Block Grant – Year 2 Pilot
- Ecosystem Restoration Woody Buffer Block Grant - Pilot
- River Corridor Easement Block Grant

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Full details of grant opportunities and funding in the CWIP Policy Document!
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<td>Ecosystem Restoration Grants</td>
<td>Nutrient and sediment pollution to Vermont’s waters.</td>
<td>Individual project applications. Projects greater than $20,000 funding need.</td>
<td>MS4s 50% required. All other applicants: incentivized.</td>
<td>Natural resource restoration projects, stormwater- see Appendix 2 for eligible project types.</td>
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<td>Design &amp; Implementation Block Grant – Year 2</td>
<td>See above, block grant recipient manages multiple projects at a time.</td>
<td>Block grant awarded to partner(s), who award/manage funds that support projects. No size limitations, 50% of funds spent on projects less than $20,000.</td>
<td>Projects that offer match are favored during grant review process- 20% non MS4 &amp; 50% MS4</td>
<td>Same project eligibility as Ecosystem Restoration Grants.</td>
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<td>Woody Buffer Block Grant</td>
<td>Woody buffer restoration, multiple projects at a time.</td>
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<td>Woody riparian buffer plantings.</td>
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<td>River Corridor Easement Block Grant</td>
<td>River corridor protection and restoration.</td>
<td>Partners submit applications containing multiple projects and DEC funds on a project by project basis, pending funding allocations.</td>
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<td>Support partners through funding for work crew, technical outreach &amp; capacity building.</td>
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