

Memo

To: Region 10 Jurisdictions and partners

From: Patty Gabriel, Region 10 Grant Navigator

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Re: Funding Opportunities for Water

Colleagues:

Here are funding opportunities related to water. Reach out with any questions any time. Also, **please keep us updated if you are pursuing any federal monies.**

1. WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects 2024

- a. BOR
- b. This Environmental Water Resources Projects NOFO provides funding for water conservation and efficiency projects, water management and infrastructure improvements, and river and watershed restoration projects and nature-based solutions that provide significant ecological benefits, have been developed as part of a collaborative process, and help carry out an established strategy to increase the reliability of water resources.
- c. Examples of eligible projects:
 - i. water conservation and efficiency projects that result in quantifiable and sustained water savings and benefit ecological values or watershed health.
 - ii. water management or infrastructure improvements with benefits to ecological values or watershed health; and restoration projects benefitting ecological values or watershed health that have a nexus to water resources or water resources management.
- d. Eligible activities include, but is not limited to, projects that:
 - i. Improve the timing or quantity of water available.
 - ii. Improve water quality and temperature.
 - iii. Improve stream or riparian conditions for the benefit of plant and animal species, fish and wildlife habitat, riparian areas, watershed health, and ecosystems.
 - iv. Restore a natural feature or use a nature-based feature to reduce water supply and demand imbalances or the risk of drought or flooding.
 - v. Projects that otherwise mitigate against the impacts of climate change to fish and wildlife habitats.
- e. A non-federal cost-share of 25 percent or more of total project costs is required.
- f. Application Deadline: June 18, 2024