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Grant Programs Overview
Timeline and Process

- Application Due
- Technical Review
- Chance for revisions
- Resubmit all materials
- Final Presentation
- Ranked lists
Grant Programs Overview

State Funding

- ALEA
- Youth Athletic Facilities
- Washington Wildlife And Recreation Program
  - Critical Habitat
  - Natural Areas
  - Riparian Protection
  - State Lands Rest.
  - Urban Wildlife
  - Local Parks
  - State Lands Dev.
  - State Parks
  - Trails
  - Water Access
  - Farmland
  - Forestland

Federal Funding

- Boating Infrastructure Grant
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Tier 1
- Tier 2
- Outdoor Recreation Account
- Local Parks
- State Lands Dev.
- State Parks
- Trails
- Water Access
- Farmland
- Forestland

17 DIFFERENT OPTIONS!
What RCO Grants Can Do

- Parks
- Trails
- Natural Areas
- Water Access
- Boating
Types of Grants

- Acquisition
- Development
- Combination: Acquisition and Development OR Acquisition and Restoration
- Restoration
Grant Programs Overview

May 3 Application Deadline
- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA)
- Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG)
- Community Forests Program (CFP)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)
- Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)

November 1 Application Deadline
- Boating Facilities Program (BFP)
- Firearms and Archery Range Recreation (FARR)
- No Child Left Inside (NCLI)
- Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities (NOVA)
- Recreational Trails Program (RTP)
Outdoor Grant Managers

Alison   Allison   Ashly   Beth   Brian   Dan
DeAnn   Henry   Jesse   Lan   Karl   Kim
Poll
2022 Grant Applications

- Grant awards: July 2023
- No construction before grant award
- Reimbursement basis
- Retainage until project completion
Eligible Applicants

- Cities
- Counties
- Conservation Districts
- Federal Agencies
- Lead Entities
- Native American Tribes
- Park and Recreation Districts
- Nonprofit Organizations
- School Districts
- Special Purpose Districts
- State Agencies
- Port Districts
Are You Eligible?
Legal Opinion

Required for all first-time applicants

| Receive and expend public funds | Contract with the State of Washington | Acquire interests in real property, develop, and manage for public conservation and outdoor recreation |
Planning Eligibility

Programs with planning requirements:
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

Plans due March 1, 2022
Types of Grants

- Acquisition
- Development
- Combination: Acquisition and Development OR Acquisition and Restoration
- Restoration
Requirements for Combination Projects

At least one month prior to board funding, applicants must:

- Secure property via a *Waiver of Retroactivity*
- Have property in escrow, pending approval
- Have an option to purchase the property
Waiver of Retroactivity

- RCO approval to purchase property prior to having a signed project agreement.
- Does not guarantee funding
- Only for Acquisition projects
- Must specifically request federal approval for LWCF
How to Apply for a Grant
PRISM Online works best using the following Internet browsers: Edge, Chrome, Firefox, or Safari (Internet Explorer is NOT recommended).
WELCOME to your login for Washington state.
Add RCO to your account

GOOD MORNING!

What can we help you access today?

Welcome to Secure Access Washington! To start using services from agencies around Washington, choose one from your list below or click the 'Add A New Service' button. To see open job postings for the SAW Team, go to our jobs page.

ADD A NEW SERVICE
GOOD EVENING!
What can we help you access tonight?

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Use the filters above to narrow the search criteria, then click Apply.
GETTING STARTED

NEW APPLICATION

Choose a sponsor for the application. Only programs that the selected sponsor is eligible to apply for will show in the list of programs. After selecting the project type and entering a name, click Start New Application button.

Salmon conservation applications begin in the Salmon Recovery Portal, contact your Lead Entity contact or Grant Manager to get started.

First, select the sponsoring organization for the application

Second, select the program for which you are applying

Third, Select the project type that best fits your project

Last, enter a name that uniquely describes your project. Including location and activity can be helpful (Max 50 characters)

Already started an application, enter project number or search:

Go to Project:  
Search for Project
PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

If your application is approved for funding, the following Sponsors will sign the Project Agreement and be bound by its terms and conditions.

PRIMARY SPONSOR
San Juan County Public Works

SECONDARY SPONSOR

LEAD ENTITY
San Juan Co LE Salmon Recovery

QUESTIONS

#1: List project partners and their role and contribution to the project.
Resources

Outdoor Grants Managers

RCO Website
Resources
Grants ➔ Find a Grant
In 1984, the Washington State Legislature created this grant program to ensure that money generated from aquatic lands was used to protect and enhance those lands.

Grants may be used for the acquisition, improvement, or protection of aquatic lands for public purposes. They also may be used to provide or improve public access to the waterfront.

Aquatic lands are all tidelands, shore lands, harbor areas, and the beds of navigable waters.

## Grant Application Schedule

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### Application Resources

- GRANT MANUAL

#### Grant Forms
- Applicant Authorization Resolution
- Certification of Applicant Match Form
- Department of Natural Resources
- Scope of Work Acknowledgement Form

#### ALEA Resources
- What’s New
- Applicant’s To-Do List
- Fact Sheet
- Sample In-person Presentation
- Manual 3: Acquisition Projects
- Manual 4: Development Projects
- Manual 5: Restoration Projects

#### General Resources
- Grant Writing 101
- Tips for Developing a PowerPoint Presentation for Grant Applicants
Application Requirements
Application Requirements

- Application Authorization Resolution
- Local Agency Conferral
- Control and Tenure
Evaluation Process
Evaluation: A Process

**Application Due**

**Technical Review Presentation**

**Chance for revisions**

**Resubmit all materials**

**Final Presentation**

**Ranked lists**

**In Person Virtual Process**
- PRISM application
- Live PowerPoint presentation

**Written Process**
- PRISM application only
In-person Virtual Presentations

- Via Zoom
- Time Limits
- Scheduling
Evaluation: Advisory Committees

- Provide Technical Review
- Score and Rank Projects
- Make Recommendations to RCO
Matching Share

- RCO Grant
- Applicant Match
- Total Project Cost
How Much Match?

- 50%
- 40%
- 30%
- 25%
- 20%
- 10%
What counts as match?

- Appropriations/Cash
- Bonds
- Conservation Futures
- Corrections' Labor
- Donations
- Grants
Reasonable, necessary part of project

Eligible costs only

Grant rules applied to match

10% non-state, non-federal sources
Certifying Match: April 2023

RCO grants are the last piece of the funding puzzle
Match Reduction

Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)
- Large
- Small

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)
- Local Parks
- Trails
- Water Access

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Match Reduction

Communities in need

Underserved populations

Counties in need

Federal disaster area
Applicants must contribute match that equals the amount of the grant request.

Match may include the following:

- Appropriations or cash
- Bonds
- Donations of cash, labor, equipment, and materials
- Other grants
- Applicant’s labor, equipment, and materials

Some local agencies may reduce their match if they meet any of the criteria below:

- Communities in need
- Under-served populations
- Counties in need
- Federal disaster area
Match Reduction Mapping Tool

Select Jurisdiction

Your jurisdiction is eligible under the Underserved Populations criteria: Using the map identify the block group where your project will be located.

Contact your grants manager to verify and update the required minimum match for your application.
Changes for 2022
What’s New? Changes for 2022

Application
- Secure Access Washington sign on
- New cultural resources page
- New sponsor match page
- Virtual review and evaluations
- Reinstated criteria regarding match

LWCF
- Increased grant limits
- Additional forms
- Cultural resources and environmental clearance

Policies
- Carbon Credits
Secure Access
Washington sign on

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Application Changes
Land and Water Conservation Fund

Federal Funding

State Funding

RCO

You

National Parks Service

WA Legislature

You
Land and Water Conservation Fund

New grant limits: $200,000 - $2,000,000

Funding available June 2023 through June 2024 (plan costs accordingly)

Earlier pre-construction work (cultural resources, permitting, design, and environmental work)

Federal application materials due May 3

Indirect costs are eligible

Acquisition: Incidentals not eligible; administrative costs not eligible
Development or Restoration: Architectural and engineering costs are eligible; administrative costs not eligible
Other Considerations
Developing a Project Budget
Cultural and Historic Resources
Accessible Design
Receive Funding in July 2023 (earliest)

Before Construction:
• Contract executed with RCO
• Cultural resources reviews are complete

Complete project within 2-3 years
Project Agreement

Contains:

• Standard terms and conditions
• Scope of work
• Time period for performance
• Grant funding amount
• Budget and allowable costs
• Reporting requirements
• Long-term compliance responsibilities
Long-Term Obligations

Public Outdoor Recreation Forever
## Tips for Success

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THANK YOU!