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Grant Program	Category	State	Sponsor Agency/ Org	Federal/Non-Federal	General Info	Eligibility	Level of Assistance	Application Submittal Deadline w/ Comments	Link to Website	Contact Information
Contamination Cleanup Grant	Brownfields	MN	MN Department of Employment and Economic Development	Non-Federal	This program, administered by DEED, is designed to help communities pay for assessing and remediating contaminated sites for private or public redevelopment. Essential to this grant is the existence of a redevelopment plan supported by the community and an appropriate completion timeline.  Funded activities include: Site investigation and cleanup costs necessary to implement the RAP, RAP implementation.	Eligible applicants include cities, counties, port authorities, housing and redevelopment authorities and economic development authorities. Both publicly and privately owned sites with known soil or groundwater contamination qualify. Cleanup grant applicants must have an MPCA-approved RAP.	Approximately \$4 million is available. Grants can pay for up to 75% of the costs of investigation, cleanup, and other costs necessary to implement the RAP. Awards require a 25% local match. 35% of funds are dedicated to projects outside the seven-county metropolitan area. Applications accepted May 1 and November 1 of each year.	May 1, 2018, 4:00pm	<a href="http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/cleanup/contamination.jsp">http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/cleanup/contamination.jsp</a>	Kristin Lukes Director, Office of Brownfields and Redevelopment 651-259-7451 or 800-657-3858
Contamination Investigation and RAP Development Grant	Brownfields	MN	MN Department of Employment and Economic Development	Non-Federal	Administered by DEED, this program is designed to assist communities in contamination investigation and RAP development. Similar to the Contamination Cleanup Grant, the applicant must be able to demonstrate the existence of a community supported redevelopment plan with an appropriate completion timeline.  Funded activities include: site investigation (Phase I and Phase II), RAP development	Eligible applicants include cities, counties, port authorities, housing and redevelopment authorities and economic development authorities are eligible applicants. Both publicly and privately owned sites with known or suspected soil or groundwater contamination qualify.	Grants can pay for up to 75% of the costs of Phase I, Phase II investigation and/or RAP preparation. Awards cannot exceed \$50,000, and require a 25% local match. A maximum of \$500,000 per year is available for grants, 35% of funds are dedicated to projects outside the seven-county metropolitan area.	May 1, 2018, 4:00pm	<a href="http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/cleanup/contamination.jsp">http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/cleanup/contamination.jsp</a>	Kristin Lukes Director, Office of Brownfields and Redevelopment 651-259-7451 or 800-657-3858
Tax Base Revitalization Account	Brownfields	MN	Metropolitan Council	Non-Federal	The Metropolitan Council's Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) is one of the three incentive accounts created by the 1995 Livable Communities Act adopted by the Minnesota Legislature. The TBRA provides grants to investigate or clean up contaminated property for subsequent residential, commercial, or industrial development.  Funded activities include: Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments, RAP development, Demolition and site preparation (only if necessary to access contamination), Soil or ground water remediation, Soil vapor mitigation, Asbestos abatement work, Lead paint removal or stabilization	Cities, counties, and local development authorities located in the 7-county metro area and participating in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Housing Incentives Program are eligible to apply for funds. Applications involving public-private partnerships are most competitive. Cleanup grant applicants must have an MPCA-approved RAP, but investigation grants can fund RAP development.	Up to 100% of grant-eligible investigation and cleanup costs. Funding for individual projects varies considerably, but average award over the last three years was about \$254K. Up to \$5M available annually	May 1, 2018	<a href="https://metrocouncil.org/Communities/Services/Livable-Communities-Grants/Tax-Base-Revitalization-Account-(TBRA).aspx">https://metrocouncil.org/Communities/Services/Livable-Communities-Grants/Tax-Base-Revitalization-Account-(TBRA).aspx</a>	Marcus Martin Tax Base Revitalization Program Coordinator Metropolitan Council 390 Robert St. North Saint Paul, MN 55101-1805 Phone: (651) 602-1054 Email: marcus.martin@metc.state.mn.us
Technical Training Acceleration Grants	Environmental & Education	MN	BWSR	Non-Federal	The Technical Training and Certification Program can assist Area Technical Training Teams (ATTT) in organizing and delivering technical training for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), Technical Service Area (TSA), and Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) staff. The Technical Training Acceleration Grant is short-term pilot to accelerate delivery of locally identified training priorities. Funding priority is given to training topics that are identified as high need either at an area, or state-wide level, especially those topics which will lead to increased or enhanced Job Approval Authority (JAA) for local SWCD and NRCS staff.	Eligible applicants include TSAs or SWCDs with letters of support from the Area Technical Training Team. SWCDs or TSAs in each ATTT can submit only one single or joint request. However, multiple training topics can be included in the request.	Up to \$60,000 is available, with a \$10,000 maximum grant per Area per year.	May 1, 2018, 4:30pm	<a href="http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html">http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html</a>	Megan Lennon megan.lennon@state.mn.us 651-262-6044
Clean Air Grants	Air Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	MPCA grants are currently open for cost-effective projects to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in a wide range of organizations throughout Minnesota. Many opportunities exist to switch out solvents, inks, coatings, cleaners, or purchase alternative process equipment or vehicles that both save money and protect employee and community health. VOCs are common air pollutants emitted from everyday processes and liquid use, and can contribute to smog formation. VOCs can cause unpleasant health effects like eye and throat irritation, headaches, and nausea. These effects can be particularly noticeable in highly urbanized or environmental justice communities.	Governmental agencies; educational institutions; non-profits; trade groups; associations; businesses with under 500 employees (e.g. manufacturers, printers, industrial finishers, automotive, metal casting, etc.)	Approximately \$120,000 in funding available for this grant round. Maximum individual grant award is \$24,000, match requirement 50%.	May 18, 2018	<a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/clean-air-grants-reduce-vocs">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/clean-air-grants-reduce-vocs</a>	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grants.pca@state.mn.us
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Fund	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council	Non-Federal	The mission of the Outdoor Heritage Fund is to protect, restore, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests and habitat for fish, game and wildlife. Priorities vary by region- see website for more information.	Program is open to all who want to apply.	An estimated \$92 million available in FY 2014. Minimum award of \$400,000. Leverage funding encouraged.	4:00pm, May 31, 2018	<a href="https://www.isoheq.leg.mn/FY2020/index_call.html">https://www.isoheq.leg.mn/FY2020/index_call.html</a>	Sandy Smith (651) 297-7141 sandy.smith@isoheq.leg.mn
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Drinking Water	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans to for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	The Minnesota Department of Health is soliciting requests to place new projects on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the list to be eligible for below market rate DWRF loans to improve public drinking water systems. Typical projects include watermain, wells, water treatment plants and water towers. Funding is not for expansion of water systems to serve future growth or for fire suppression infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	Project Priority List (PPL): May 4, 2018 Intended Use Plan (IUP): June 1, 2018	<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/dwrf">www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/dwrf</a>	Contact Chad Kolstad at 651-201-3972 or chad.kolstad@state.mn.us
Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Program to provide technical and financial assistance to local governmental units for conducting flood damage reduction studies and for planning and implementing flood damage reduction measures.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts, watershed management organizations and lake improvement districts.	A maximum of 50% of total eligible project costs up to \$150,000. Grant requests for more than \$150,000 must be approved by the Legislature.	Recommended that the completed application form be submitted to your DNR Division of Waters Area Hydrologist by June 1 of the year in which you wish to apply.	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/flood_hazard.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/flood_hazard.html</a>	Pat Lynch, Flood Damage Reduction Program Manager DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5691 E-Mail: pat.lynch@dnr.state.mn.us
Stewardship Fund Grants: Water Quality Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	MWMO	Non-Federal	Available to plan for a project, significant in scope and cost. The outcome of these grants may be used to complete either a Stewardship Fund Action Grant with the MWMO (application required) or for a project with another funder.	Eligible applicants for MWMO Stewardship Fund Grants include: -nonprofit organizations, officially recognized neighborhood groups, business and professional associations, schools; and local units of government. Stewardship Fund grants may not be used to fund projects installed only to meet regulatory requirements; however, stewardship funds may be used to fund portions of the project that create water quality innovations that exceed regulatory requirements. Physical projects must be located within MWMO boundaries or drain to receiving water bodies within the watershed.	The grant amount may not exceed \$10,000. Some matching funds are required.	Pre-application deadline: June 1, 2018 by 4:30pm	<a href="https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/">https://www.mwmo.org/grants/stewardship-fund-grants/</a>	Marcy Bean Capital Projects and Stewardship Specialist 612-746-4979
Short Term Action Request Grants (STAR)	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Your project must be conducted in Minnesota's coastal area, be action-oriented, and align with one of the following categories and goals: -Coastal Habitat: Protect the coastal areas' natural resources and habitats including wetlands, forests, beaches and fish -Coastal Hazards: Protect lives and property in the coastal area by minimizing	Cities, townships and counties within the coastal area; area-wide agencies; regional planning agencies; state agencies; non-profit organizations; colleges and universities; public school districts in the coastal area; conservation districts; port authorities; tribal governments; joint powers boards; sanitary sewer districts	The minimum grant is \$2,500 and the maximum is \$7,500.	March 1, 2018 or June 1, 2018	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/lakesuperior/grants.html</a>	Amber Westerbur, Program Manager 218-834-1445 MLSCP.DNR@state.mn.us



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Water Resources Research National Competitive Grants Program	Water Quality	All States	USGS and NIWR	Federal	The U.S. Geological Survey in cooperation with the National Institutes for Water Resources requests proposals for matching grants to support research on the topic of improving and enhancing the nation's water supply, including evaluation of innovative approaches to water treatment, infrastructure design, retrofitting, maintenance, management, and replacement; exploration and advancement of our understanding of changes in the quantity and quality of water resources in response to a changing climate, population shifts, and land use changes; development of methods for better estimation of water supply, both surface and groundwater, including estimation of the physical supply and of the economic supply of water; development and evaluation of processes and governance mechanisms for integrated surface/ground water management; and the evaluation and assessment of conservation practices.	Awards are available only to Water Research Institutes or Centers established pursuant to the provisions of section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act and listed at ( <a href="http://water.usgs.gov/wrri/index.php">http://water.usgs.gov/wrri/index.php</a> ). However, any investigator at an institution of higher learning in the United States is eligible to apply for an award through a Water Research Institute or Center. All portions of the preproposals must be submitted through the State Water Institute or Center by the deadline established in this announcement.	Proposals may be for projects of 1 to 3 years in duration and may request up to \$250,000 in federal funds. Each applicant must match each Federal dollar provided to support each proposed project with not less than one dollar from non-federal sources. States may have different guidelines as to the sources of matching funds - please check with your Institute or Center Director for details.	Preproposals are due by 5:00pm Eastern Time February 15, 2018. Invited full proposals are due by 5:00pm Eastern Time June 1, 2018	<a href="https://water.usgs.gov/wrri/FY_2018_RFP_104g.pdf">https://water.usgs.gov/wrri/FY_2018_RFP_104g.pdf</a>	Proposals submitted to <a href="http://www.grants.gov/">http://www.grants.gov/</a> Questions or comments may be addressed to either Earl Greene (571-332-4184, <a href="mailto:eagreene@usgs.gov">eagreene@usgs.gov</a> ) or Dr. Daniel Devlin (785-532-0393, <a href="mailto:ddevlin@ksu.edu">ddevlin@ksu.edu</a> )
Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Wastewater & Stormwater	Water Quality	MN	MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA)	Non-Federal	The Clean Water State Revolving Fund, is established under the Federal Clean Water Act and state law to make loans for point source (wastewater and stormwater) and nonpoint source water pollution control projects. The Public Facilities Authority (PFA) prepares an annual Intended Use Plan (IUP) based on a Project Priority List (PPL) developed by the MPCA. The IUP describes the projects and activities eligible for funding during the state fiscal year.	Proposals are being accepted to place wastewater or stormwater collection and treatment system projects on the Clean Water Revolving Fund (CWRF) Project Priority List (PPL). Projects must be on the PPL to be eligible to apply for below market rate CWRF loans and other Clean Water Legacy grants and loans from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA). PFA financing is for investments in municipal infrastructure which result in improvements in water quality. Funding is not available for privately owned infrastructure.	Below market-rate, low-interest loans, principal-forgiveness or grants to local governments.	Wastewater Facilities Plans or Stormwater Project Plans are due to the MPCA March 2, 2018. Request for Placement on PPL due to the MPCA March 2, 2018. Request for Placement on the 2017 IUP due to the PFA June 2, 2018.	<a href="http://www.pca.state.mn.us/pp/">www.pca.state.mn.us/pp/</a>	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or <a href="mailto:bill.dunn@state.mn.us">bill.dunn@state.mn.us</a>
Point Source Implementation Grant Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA) & MPCA (State funds)	Non-Federal	The Point Source Implementation grant program provides grants to units of local government to assist with the cost of water infrastructure projects necessary to: •Meet wasteload reductions prescribed under a total maximum daily load (TMDL) plan required by Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act •Reduce the discharge of total phosphorus to one milligram per liter or less •Meet any other water quality-based effluent limit established under section Minnesota Statute Section 115.03, subd 1, (e)(8), that is incorporated into a permit issued by MPCA that exceeds secondary treatment limits •Meet a total nitrogen concentration or mass limit that requires discharging ten milligrams per liter or less at a permitted design flow	The PSIG program provides grants for 80% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$7,000,000. Projects must be listed on the MPCA's Project Priority List (PPL).  A project must receive MPCA certification and submit as-bid project costs to receive a PSIG grant.	\$5,307,000 million has been appropriated for this program for FY 2018	PPL Application Request: March 2, 2018 IUP Application Request: June 2, 2018	<a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/wastewater-and-stormwater-financial-assistance">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/wastewater-and-stormwater-financial-assistance</a>	Bill Dunn, Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2324 or <a href="mailto:bill.dunn@state.mn.us">bill.dunn@state.mn.us</a>
RPBCWD Cost Share Program	Water Quality	MN	Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District	Non-Federal	Grants are available for projects that: improve watershed resources, foster water resources stewardship, increase awareness of the vulnerability of watershed resources, increase familiarity with and acceptance of solutions to improve waters.  Project examples: raingardens • pervious asphalt and pavers • shoreland and streambank restoration • volume reduction and runoff treatment practices • wetland restoration.	Residential property owners, non-profit organizations, commercial property owners, and governments are eligible. Must be located in the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District.	Maximum Grant Awards: Residential: \$3,000 (up to 75% of project cost) Non-profits: \$20,000 (up to 75% of project cost) Commercial and government: \$20,000 (up to 50% of project cost)	June 13, 2018	<a href="http://rpbcd.org/news/2015-cost-share-grants/">http://rpbcd.org/news/2015-cost-share-grants/</a>	District Administrator, Claire Bleser 952-607-6512
Green Partners (Commercial Sector Recycling)	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	The commercial sector generates more than half of the total waste in Hennepin County, and nearly two-thirds of the waste created at businesses and non-profits is recyclable. Having a strong recycling program conserves natural resources and reduces greenhouse gas emissions, can help your bottom line, and demonstrates your organization's commitment to sustainability and the community.	For-profit and non-profit businesses, organizations and institutions, including multifamily housing.  Must be used to improve your organization's recycling program at facilities located in Hennepin County.	Container only grants: Receive up to \$2,500 for recycling containers only, Accelerated grants: Receive up to \$10,000, primarily for recycling containers, Competitive grants: Receive up to \$50,000 for large or innovative projects over \$10,000	Container and Accelerated grants: Anytime, Competitive grants: February 15, June 15, October 15	<a href="http://www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling">http://www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling</a>	Email Andre.X.Xiong@hennepin.us or call 612-543-1316.
Environmental Assistance Grants - Open Category Grants	Environmental & Education	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The purpose of the EA Grant Program is to provide financial assistance for researching, developing, or implementing projects and practices related to all aspects of waste management and prevention, including hazardous substances, toxic pollutants, and problem materials. Additionally, market development and education grants are also allowed under the laws governing these grants. The MPCA seeks to encourage environmentally-sustainable practices and approaches to pollution prevention and resource conservation.	EA grant awards seek to encourage outcome-oriented, economically-driven approaches to pollution prevention, waste reduction, toxicity reduction and resource conservation. Projects that benefit previously underserved communities and areas of concern for environmental justice will be rated higher. The MPCA considers communities with higher concentrations of low-income residents and people of color, including tribal communities, to be areas of concern for environmental justice. Eligible applicants, grant award amounts and minimum matching fund requirements will vary by preferred projects.	Approximately \$493,000 is available. See RFP for maximum grant amounts for each category.	2:00 p.m. June 26, 2018	<a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mPCA/environmental-assistance-grants">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mPCA/environmental-assistance-grants</a>	Jeannie Given 651-757-2459 <a href="mailto:Jeannie.Given@state.mn.us">Jeannie.Given@state.mn.us</a> <a href="mailto:grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us">grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us</a>
Forest Stewardship Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Cost share program to provide technical advice and long range planning to interested land owners. Forest stewardship plans are the outcome of the program- plans are designed to meet landowner goals while maintaining the sustainability of the land.	Financial assistance to woodland owners for completing projects to practice good forest stewardship on their land. A typical project is between 3 and 20 acres but could be smaller or larger depending on land goals.	Over \$500,000 is available through June 30, 2018, or until funds run out.	June 30, 2018	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/foreststewardship/index.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/foreststewardship/index.html</a>	Private Forest Program Coordinator DNR Forestry 500 Lafayette Road, Box 44 St. Paul, MN 55155 (651) 259-5261
One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants	Water Quality	MN	MN BWSR	Non-Federal	Up to \$1.5 million in clean Water Funds is now available for planning grants under the One Watershed, One Plan program. These grants are for partnerships of eligible local groups to use a systematic, science-based approach to watershed management to develop plans that provide the greatest environmental benefits to each watershed.	Applicants must be one or more of the eligible local governments on behalf of others in the watershed area.	Up to \$1,500,000 is available.	4:30pm, July 2, 2018	<a href="http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html">http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/apply/index.html</a>	Julie Westerlund <a href="mailto:julie.westerlund@state.mn.us">julie.westerlund@state.mn.us</a> 651-297-5617
North American Wetland Conservation Act	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Federal	The Act was passed, in part, to support activities under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, an international agreement that provides a strategy for the long-term protection of wetlands and associated uplands habitats needed by waterfowl and other migratory birds in North America. In December 2002, Congress reauthorized the Act and expanded its scope to include the conservation of all habitats and birds associated with wetlands ecosystems. In 2006, Congress reauthorized the Act to extend its appropriation authorization of up to \$75 million per year to 2012.	The North American Wetlands Conservation Act (Act, or NAWCA) of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico for the benefit of wetlands-associated migratory birds and other wildlife.	\$40 million (annually) for 24 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) proposals for U.S. Standard Grants. Requires minimum 1:1 match	February 23, 2018 (Cycle 1), July 13, 2018 (Cycle 2)	<a href="http://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act.php">http://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act.php</a>	<a href="mailto:contact:DivisionofBirdHabitatConservation.(703)358-1784.dbh@fws.gov">contact: Division of Bird Habitat Conservation. (703) 358-1784. <a href="mailto:dbh@fws.gov">dbh@fws.gov</a></a>
Community Conservation Partnership	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program to support public landowners in implementing TMDL and local water management plans by providing technical and cost share assistance to install bioretention and other stormwater Best Management Practices at public facilities in Dakota County to improve water quality above the minimum measures required by the regulating agencies.	Public landowners	Up to \$50,000 of cost share funding available per project for up to 75% of the actual project cost.	March, May or July 15, 2018	<a href="http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/ccp.html">http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/ccp.html</a>	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Expedited Conservation Program Grant Cycle-Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Grant program to restore or enhance prairies, wetlands, forests, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Program provides matching grants of up to \$50,000. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands in public ownership or waters designated as public waters. All project sites must be open to the public for all seasons of hunting and fishing.	Eligible applicants are limited to local, regional, state, and national non-profit organizations, including government entities. Private individuals and for-profit organizations are not eligible to apply for these grants. Continuous grant cycle - grant awards made every other month until all funds are awarded (up to 5 rounds), see FY15 CPL Grant Funding Schedule for deadlines	Non-competitive grants from \$5,000-\$50,000 with a 10% non-state match requirement and a total project cost cap of \$575,000. \$400,000 in funding remains available	No posting for 2018. Check in August 1, 2018.	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl/ecp-grant-cycle.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl/ecp-grant-cycle.html</a>	LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us Jessica Lee, CPL Grant Program Coordinator 651-259-5233 (St. Paul) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant MN DNR 500 Lafayette Road Box #20 St. Paul, MN 55155

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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program (from Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council)	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Grant program for enhancement, restoration, or protection of forests, wetlands, prairies, and habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Restoration and enhancement projects will only be funded on lands permanently protected by conservation easement or public ownership or in waters designated as public waters. Acquisitions will protect wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife by acquiring land through fee title or permanent conservation easement.	Local, regional, state, and national nonprofit organizations, including government entities	Grants from \$5,000-\$400,000	No posting for 2018. Check in August 1, 2018.	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/cpl</a>	LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us Jessica Lee, CPL Grant Program Coordinator 651-259-5233 (St. Paul) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant MN DNR 500 Lafayette Road Box #20 St. Paul, MN 55155
Competitive State Wildlife Grants Program	Natural Resources/Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	Federal	Federal grant funds for the development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitats, including species that are not hunted or fished. Eligible activities include planning and conservation implementation. Planning activities must contribute directly to the development or modification of a State Wildlife Action Plan (Plan) approved by the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service). Implementation activities are activities that a State carries out to execute their Plan. Priority for use of these funds must be placed on identified species of greatest conservation need and should take into consideration the relative level of funding available for the conservation of those species. The C-SWG Program prioritizes and supports projects that are designed, implemented, and evaluated within an explicit adaptive management framework.	Eligible applicants include state governments	12-18 grants from \$25,000-\$500,000 are expected to be awarded (total program funding \$5.5 million). A minimum of 25% match is required. Funding Opportunity Number F17AS00006	August 31, 2018	<a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=competitive%20state%20wildlife%20grants%20program">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=competitive%20state%20wildlife%20grants%20program</a>	Paul VanRyzin, Fish and Wildlife Administrator, 7033581849 paul_vanryzin@fws.gov
Natural Resources Grants - Opportunity Grant	Water Quality	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Primarily to help partners take advantage of opportunities to implement larger projects that improve water quality or preserve, establish or restore natural areas. Ideal for larger scale projects seeking to leverage multiple funding sources from more than one partner. Ideal for projects documented as priorities in the applicant's management plans (e.g. comprehensive plan, watershed management plan). Eligible expenses include environmental or engineering consulting fees, materials, supplies, labor and inspection fees.	The following entities in Hennepin County: individual landowners, non-profit and non-governmental organizations, local government agencies, businesses	Up to \$100,000 per project. Typical projects range from \$25,000-\$50,000. No match is required.	Applications accepted all year. Funds are limited and awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. A pre-application meeting to discuss project details is highly recommended.	<a href="http://www.hennepin.us/residents/environment/natural-resources-funding">http://www.hennepin.us/residents/environment/natural-resources-funding</a>	Jim Kujawa: james.kujawa@hennepin.us 612-348-7338
Special Opportunity Grant Program	Water Quality	All States	Freshwater Future	Non-Federal	The Special Opportunity Grants Program (Emergency Grants) is for the aquatic habitat protection efforts that may not coincide with the application timeline or grant period for the Projects Grants Program. Freshwater Future realizes that many grassroots projects can be completed for under \$500 USD, therefore we maintain a reserve to support urgent projects or those that present a special, time-limited opportunity. Although the eligibility, overarching goal, priority program areas, and evaluation criteria are the same as the regular grants programs, Special Opportunity Grant (SOG) requests are processed differently to ensure quick turnaround.	Must be a registered non-profit organization or charity or have a sponsoring non-profit organization or charity.	Typically \$500 or less	No deadline	<a href="http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/special-opportunity-grant-program/">http://freshwaterfuture.org/grants/special-opportunity-grant-program/</a>	Melanie Napoleon Welch melanie@freshwaterfuture.org
Clean Water Partnership Loan Program	Water Quality	MN	MPCA	Non-Federal	The MPCA is accepting applications for water resource projects to be funded through the CWP Loan Program (approximately \$11 mill available). Application will be accepted from local governmental units (LGUs) interested in leading a project for protection or improvement of groundwater or surface water bodies from nonpoint sources. Applicants awarded loan funds may begin project work after the loan agreement is executed and project workplan is approved. No reimbursable costs may be incurred prior to execution of the loan agreement.	Only LGUs that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for loans. • LGU has the ability to pledge its full faith and credit to ensure repayment of a project implementation loan • LGU has the authority to generate cash revenues for the repayment of a loan • LGU has the authority to enter into a loan agreement with the MPCA LGUs that meet these requirements include counties, cities, townships, tribes, watershed districts, and watershed management organizations. Joint powers organizations composed of previously mentioned entities are also eligible, but must submit a resolution from at least one LGU that meets the eligible criteria stating that they will participate in the project as a loan sponsor. Local soil and water conservation districts and other LGUs that are not eligible to serve as a loan sponsor may partner as a project sponsor with another government entity, such as a county or watershed district, which will serve as the loan sponsor.	About \$15 million in loans will be available. The maximum loan award is \$2 million.  No matching funds are required.	No current deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.	<a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/financial-assistance-nonpoint-source-water-pollution-projects-clean-water-partnership-and">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/financial-assistance-nonpoint-source-water-pollution-projects-clean-water-partnership-and</a>	Kurt Soular kurtis.soular@state.mn.us
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) Stewardship Grants	Water Quality	MN	Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD)	Non-Federal	Stewardship Grants help businesses or homeowners build projects on their property that prevent stormwater pollution. Public and private landowners are eligible for technical and financial assistance to install water quality improvement best management practices (BMPs). Specifically, the program funds BMPs that reduce stormwater runoff, prevent erosion and filter pollutants. Typical BMP projects include but are not limited to: 1) rain gardens, 2) shoreline restoration, 3) water reuse systems, 4) permeable hardscapes (pavers, asphalt etc.). Stewardship Grant awards are allocated based on the water quality benefits provided by each Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMPs). Projects that capture runoff from streets (curb cut rain gardens), parking lots, or other larger impervious surfaces receive higher awards due to their higher water quality benefits.	Property owners within Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) are eligible for grants.	Total available grant amount is unknown. High impact projects may receive up to 100% grant in addition to free design services.	No current deadline	<a href="http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/stewardship-grants/">http://www.capitolregionwd.org/our-work/grants/stewardship-grants/</a>	For questions or to submit an application, please contact Anna at (651) 644-8888 or anna@capitolregionwd.org.
Citizen Conservation Stewards	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	Program supports smaller conservation practices on individual properties by providing technical and cost share assistance.	Dakota County property owners	Up to \$5,000 available to fund each project, up to 75% of total cost.	Applications are accepted all year.	<a href="http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/ccs.html">http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/ccs.html</a>	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Conservation Initiative Funding Program	Water Quality	MN	Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation District	Non-Federal	The Dakota SWCD offers funding and/or technical assistance for projects that demonstrate innovative stormwater management, low impact development and/or conservation design principles.	Dakota County land owners, developers, and local units of government	\$25,000 maximum cost share to reimburse applicant for up to 75% estimated project cost	Applications are accepted all year	<a href="http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html">http://www.dakotacountyswcd.org/cif.html</a>	Contact Dakota County SWCD (651) 480-7777
Reimagining Great Lakes Water Systems	Water Quality	MN	Great Lakes Protection Fund	Non-Federal	The GLPF is looking for new ideas, new projects and new cohorts of people to catalyze a transition to a new era of water systems. Water systems are the built infrastructure, the natural landscapes, and the operating rules that govern how water moves, what moves in water and what moves on water. Improved water systems will better solve a range of problems that vex our current systems, including: reducing nutrient-driven harmful algae blooms, better handling of large rainstorms, being adaptable to changing economic and demographic conditions, and providing better value for the money GLPF will invest in them.	Eligible applicants include: non-profit organizations, universities, governmental agencies, individuals, for-profit businesses.	No funding guidelines given.	Accept Proposals Year Round	<a href="http://glpf.org/get-funding/projects-wanted/">http://glpf.org/get-funding/projects-wanted/</a>	David Rankin, Program Director 847-425-8150
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	Water Quality	All States	USDA NRCS	Federal	The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive financial and technical assistance to implement structural and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.	Agricultural producers and owners of non-industrial private forestland and Tribes are eligible to apply for EQIP. Eligible land includes cropland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forestland and other farm or ranch lands.	Submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding pool opportunities.	EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis, however, NRCS establishes application "cut-off" or submission deadline dates for evaluation	<a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/mn/programs/financial/eqip/">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/mn/programs/financial/eqip/</a>	Contact local Service Center

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Green Partners (Seed, Root, and Branch)	Environmental & Education	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Hennepin County provides funding and support to organizations to implement projects that empower residents to reduce waste, increase recycling, reduce toxicity, conserve energy and protect water quality. The Green Partners Program consists of three groups with varying levels of support and requirements.	Eligible organizations include: •Registered nonprofit organizations such as community groups, youth programs, congregations, etc. •Park districts •Private and public schools and school districts, including community education programs like ECFE.	•Seed Group: Free field trip transportation & activity supplies. •Root Group: Up to \$8,000 to implement a project based on existing resources. •Branch Group: Up to \$20,000 to implement an innovative project	Branch & Root Groups: Fall 2018 Seed group anytime.	<a href="http://www.hennepin.us/business/work-with-henn-co/green-partners-enviro-ed-prog">http://www.hennepin.us/business/work-with-henn-co/green-partners-enviro-ed-prog</a>	For more information, contact Patience Caso at <a href="mailto:patience.caso@hennepin.us">patience.caso@hennepin.us</a> or call 612-348-9352.
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Grants	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering grants for up to 25 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum grant amount for renewable energy projects is \$500,000. The maximum grant amount for energy efficiency projects is \$250,000. Grants for up to 25% of total project cost.	Accepted Year Round	<a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency</a>	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 <a href="mailto:Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov">Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov</a> <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn">http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn</a>
Rural Energy for America Program - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency - Loans	Environmental & Education	All States	USDA	Federal	USDA is offering loan guarantees for up to 75 percent of total project costs for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. Eligible renewable energy projects must incorporate commercially available technology. This includes renewable energy from wind, solar, ocean, small hydropower, hydrogen, geothermal and renewable biomass (including anaerobic digesters). Energy efficiency improvement projects eligible for REAP funding include lighting heating, cooling, ventilation, fans, automated controls and insulation upgrades that reduce energy consumption.	Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations, and small businesses in eligible rural areas.	The maximum loan amount is \$25 million, up to 75% of total project cost.	Accepted Year Round	<a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency</a>	Ron Omann, USDA Rural Development 375 Jackson St., Suite 410 St. Paul, MN 55101 (651)-602-7796 <a href="mailto:Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov">Ron.Omann@mn.usda.gov</a> <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn">http://www.rd.usda.gov/mn</a>
2018 National Fish Habitat Action Plan	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	All States	USFWS	Federal	The National Fish Habitat Action Plan is a national investment strategy to leverage federal and privately raised funds to protect, restore, and enhance the nation's fish and aquatic habitats through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation. Funds appropriated to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service) Fish and Aquatic Conservation (FAC) Program specifically to implement the Action Plan will be utilized in collaboration with the National Fish Habitat Board and Fish Habitat Partnerships. Fish Habitat Partnerships are the primary work units of the Action Plan, formed around distinct geographic areas, "keystone" fish species, or system types (e.g. large lakes, impoundments, estuaries). Funds will support national and regional science and coordination activities to protect, restore, or enhance fish habitats. All or a portion of project funds may be transferred to partner organizations if the Service lacks the capability to implement a project. Projects must protect, restore, or enhance fish and aquatic habitats or otherwise directly support habitat-related priorities of Fish Habitat Partnerships or the National Fish Habitat Board. Every project must be identified in the Fisheries Operational Needs System (FONS), a database that identifies the operational needs of FAC field stations, including fish habitat project needs. FAC field offices will work with Fish Habitat Partnerships to identify fish habitat projects, and enter them into the FONS. Entities that seek to propose a fish habitat conservation project for consideration should contact a local or regional office of the Service FAC Program.	Eligible applicants include federal, state, or local government agencies; Native American governments; interstate, intrastate, public, and private nonprofit institutions and organizations; or any other organization subject to the jurisdiction of the United States with interests that support the mission of the Service on a cost recoverable basis and the goals of the Action Plan.	70 grants are expected to be awarded from \$5,000-\$300,000 in FY 2017 (total program funding \$3.2 million). No cost sharing or match required.	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis	<a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=national%20fish%20habitat%20action%20plan">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=national%20fish%20habitat%20action%20plan</a>	Cecilia M. Lewis, National Coordinator National Fish Habitat Partnership Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program 703-358-2102 <a href="mailto:cecilia_lewis@fws.gov">cecilia_lewis@fws.gov</a>
Metro Conservation Corridor Partnership Habitat Restoration Program	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Great River Greening is seeking partners to implement habitat restoration on protected lands and waters, with priority given to projects that 1) protect and restore water quality (projects must include monitoring), 2) protect, restore, and enhance land and habitat, and 3) reduce the spread of invasive species along streams, rivers, and land transportation routes.	Partners can be counties, watershed districts, cities, non-profits and others within the 12-county metropolitan area. Projects must be within a mapped Metro Conservation Corridor	1:1 match is suggested. \$13,800,000 approved by LCCMR	Funding is allocated as projects come in.	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/metroconservationcorridors/index.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/metroconservationcorridors/index.html</a>	For more information, please contact: Nick Bancks, 651-917-6282 Minnesota Land Trust, <a href="mailto:nickbancks@minnesotalandtrust.org">nickbancks@minnesotalandtrust.org</a> Bart Richardson, 651-259-5796 <a href="mailto:MnDNR_bart.richardson@state.mn.us">MnDNR_bart.richardson@state.mn.us</a>
Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships	Natural Resources/ Habitat Protection	MN	University of MN Extension	Non-Federal	The Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships (RSDP) connect greater Minnesota communities to the University of Minnesota in order to help solve problems and take advantage of new opportunities. As a part of University of Minnesota Extension, RSDP brings together local talent and resources with University of Minnesota knowledge and seed funding to drive sustainability in four areas: agriculture and food systems, tourism and resilient communities, natural resources, and clean energy.	Any individual or organization.	No funding guidelines given.	Applications accepted year round.	<a href="http://www.extension.umn.edu/rsdp/">http://www.extension.umn.edu/rsdp/</a>	Kathryn Draeger Statewide Director, Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships <a href="mailto:draeg001@umn.edu">draeg001@umn.edu</a> 612-625-3148
Brownfield Gap Financing Program	Brownfields	MN	Hennepin County	Non-Federal	Managed by Minnesota Brownfields and funded through Hennepin County's Environmental Response Fund (ERF), the Brownfield Gap Financing Program provides small grants to nonprofit developers to close gaps in project costs for environmental assessment and cleanup of property in Hennepin County. Funded activities include: Identification and, in some cases, remediation of unexpected environmental issues (such as unanticipated Phase I and II investigations or small-scale cleanup), Preparation for a larger funding request from the County's ERF	Eligible applicants for this program must be registered as a non-profit within the State of Minnesota, a community group, a government supported organization, or a government entity. Applicants must own the property, have a purchase or lease agreement in place, or have a letter of intent to purchase by the applicant from the property owner.	Typical Brownfield Gap Financing Program grants are less than \$10,000, but may be up to \$15,000.	Applications accepted year round	<a href="http://mnbrownfields.org/our-work/brownfield-gap-financing/">http://mnbrownfields.org/our-work/brownfield-gap-financing/</a>	Hava Blair, Minnesota Brownfields, Program Coordinator PO Box 16244 St. Paul, MN 55116 612-513-4301 <a href="mailto:hblair@mnbrownfields.org">hblair@mnbrownfields.org</a>
State Cost Share Program	Water Quality	MN	Minnesota Soil & Water Conservation Districts	Non-Federal	Program assists landowners financially with the installation of soil and water conservation practices.	Contact SWCD.	Cost share ranges from 50% to 75% based on water quality impacts.	Contact local SWCD.	<a href="http://www.maswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm">http://www.maswcd.org/SWCDs_On_The_Web/swcds_on_the_web.htm</a>	Contact local SWCD.
Washington Conservation District Water Quality Cost-Share	Water Quality	MN	Washington Conservation District	Non-Federal	WCD provides small grants to land owners wishing to improve surface water quality in Washington County. Eligible practices include rainwater gardens, infiltration systems, and other innovative approaches to treat stormwater runoff at the source.	Landowners in Washington County.	50% match grants of up to \$5,000 are available.	Contact WCD	<a href="http://www.mnwcd.org/financial-assistance/">http://www.mnwcd.org/financial-assistance/</a>	Contact SWCD.
Federal Aid Programs For State Of Minnesota Disaster Recovery	Water Quantity	MN	FEMA	Federal	Program provides reimbursement (75% or more) for: • Repairing or replacing damaged facilities (roads, bridges, utilities, buildings, schools, recreational areas, etc) that are public or private non-profit organizations engaged in community service activities. • Removing debris from public areas and for emergency measures taken to save lives and protect property and public health. • Hazard mitigation projects undertaken by state and local governments to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural or technological disasters.	Local governments within Hennepin County or Anoka County. See website for additional information.	Reimbursement of costs, up to 75%	Application procedures for local governments will be explained at a series of federal/state applicant briefings with locations to be announced in the affected area by recovery officials.	<a href="http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/07/25/federal-aid-programs-state-minnesota-declaration">http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2013/07/25/federal-aid-programs-state-minnesota-declaration</a>	See website for updates

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Dam Safety Grants	Water Quantity	MN	MN DNR	Non-Federal	Intent is to improve the safety and condition of publicly owned dams and water level control structures. Eligible projects include dam reconstruction, repair, and removal.	Cities, counties, townships, watershed districts	Reimbursement of costs, up to 50% for repairs, up to 100% for removals. Grants have ranged from \$25,000 to \$1,000,000	For information contact the local DNR Waters office	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/dam_safety.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/water/dam_safety.html</a>	Jason Boyle, State Dam Safety Engineer DNR Division of Waters (651) 259-5715 E-mail: jason.boyle@dnr.state.mn.us