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General Information

Document Type:	Grants Notice	Version:	Synopsis 2
Funding Opportunity Number:	R24AS00299	Posted Date:	Apr 18, 2024
Funding Opportunity Title:	WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects 2024	Last Updated Date:	Apr 18, 2024
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	Original Closing Date for Applications:	Jun 18, 2024 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time, on the listed application due date.
Opportunity Category Explanation:		Current Closing Date:	Jun 18, 2024 Electronically
Funding Instrument:	Cooperative Agreement		

Type:		for	submitted
Category of Funding Activity:	Natural Resources	Applications:	applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time, on the listed application due date.
Category Explanation:		Archive Date:	
Expected Number of Awards:		Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$ 5,000,000
CFDA Number(s):	15.507 -- WaterSMART (Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow)	Award Ceiling:	\$5,000,000
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes	Award Floor:	\$0

Eligibility

Eligible Applicants:	Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
Additional Information on Eligibility:	Category A: States; Indian tribes; irrigation districts; water districts; state, regional, or local authorities, whose members include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority; and other organizations with water or power delivery authority. All Category A applicants must be located in one of the following States or Territories: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington,

Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, or Puerto Rico. Category B: Non-profit conservation organizations, including watershed groups as defined in the Cooperative Watershed Management Act, Section 6001, that are acting in partnership with, and with the agreement of, an entity described in Category A. All Category B applicants must be in the United States or one of the Territories identified above. Category C: Non-profit conservation organizations submitting an application for a project to implement a nature-based solution on Federal land may submit an application without a Category A partner, if they demonstrate that entities described in Category A from the applicable service area have been notified and do not object to the project. All Category C applicants must be in the United States or one of the Territories identified above.

Additional Information

Agency Name: Bureau of Reclamation

Description: The United States Department of the Interior's (DOI's) WaterSMART (Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow) Program provides a framework for Federal leadership and assistance to stretch and secure water supplies for future generations in support of DOI's priorities. Through WaterSMART, Reclamation leverages Federal and non-Federal funding to work cooperatively with States, Tribes, and local entities as they plan for and implement actions to increase water supply reliability through investments in existing infrastructure and attention to local water conflicts. 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. Reclamation's WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects provide support for priorities identified in Presidential Executive Order (E.O.) 14008: Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad and is aligned with other priorities such as those identified in E.O. 13985: Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government. The Environmental Water Resources Projects also support the goals of the Interagency Drought Relief Working Group established in March 2021 and the National Drought Resiliency Partnership.¹¹ For more information, see E.O. 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad (January 27, 2023), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/02/01/2021-02177/tackling-the-climate-crisis-at-home-and-abroad>; Justice40 Initiative, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/environmentaljustice/justice40/>; Addendum to the Interim Implementation Guidance for the Justice 40 Initiative, M-21-28, on using the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST), M-23-09, (January 27, 2023), https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/M-23-09_Signed_CEQ_CPO.pdf.

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