



Funding for Restoration in Arizona Webinar

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AWPF Purpose

- The Arizona Water Protection Fund is a competitive state grant program that provides funding for the development and implementation of measures that will restore, maintain and enhance river and riparian resources, including projects that benefit fish and wildlife that are dependent on these important resources.

Background

- Established is 1994
- AWPFC Commission
- Arizona Department of Water Resources
- Arizona State Land Department
- Funding
 - In-lieu Fees from CAP
 - Gifts, Grants, Donations



FY 2014 Considerations

- ~ \$1 Million Available
- New Commission
- New Requirements
 - Federal agencies no longer eligible
 - Research requirements and evaluation criteria



Funding Categories

- Capital Projects
- Research & Data Collection
- Water Conservation
 - Outside of AMA's



AWPF Program Benefits

- Water Quality
- In-stream flow/water supplies
- Biodiversity
- Fish and wildlife habit
- Recreation
- Flood control
- Overall watershed health
- Socioeconomic



Eligibility

- Any person, organization, non-federal agency, or tribal entity
- Project located within the state of Arizona
- Primary goal: Enhancement, maintenance, or restoration of rivers, streams and/or riparian habitat



Ineligible Projects

- Wastewater Treatment Requirements
- Environmental Contaminants
- Stipulated Enforcement Requirements
- Purchase of Real Property
 - Conservation Easements
 - Water Rights
- Remedial Actions
- Groundwater Recharge
- Outside of Arizona



Important Considerations

- Legal Access to Project Area
- Physical/Legal Availability of Water
- Staff Positions
- Administration/Overhead Costs (5% max)
- No Reimbursement Prior to Executed Contract
- Reimbursable Program



FY 2014 Schedule

Grant Application Process	Timeline
Applications available	June 21, 2013 (on-going)
Application workshops	July 11 – 18, 2013
Pre-application consultations (depending on staff availability)	July 22 – August 23, 2013
Final date and time to submit applications	August 28, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.
Public comment period for applications	September 4 – October 18, 2013
Written staff reviews to applicants	October 18, 2013
Applicant presentations to the Commission	November 18 – 19, 2013
Commission selects applications to be funded	December 16, 2013
Applicants notified of funding status	December 20, 2013
Staff begins writing grant contracts	January 6, 2014

Evaluation Criteria

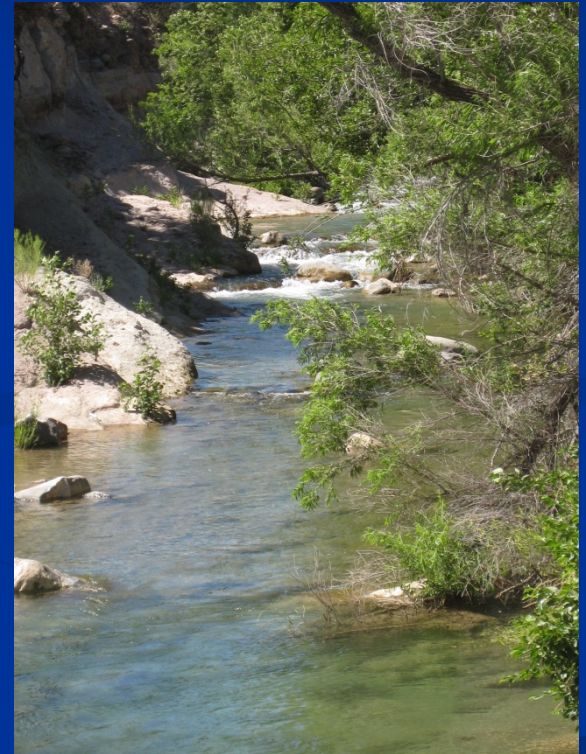
Capital & Water Conservation

- Enhance, maintain and/or restore river, stream and riparian resources (Primary)
- Fish and wildlife dependent on rivers, streams and riparian resources (Secondary)
- Feasibility
- Monitoring



Evaluation Criteria Continued

- Broad based public involvement & support
- Matching funds
- Public Outreach
- Support of local businesses
- Justification for use of out of state consultants



Research Evaluation Criteria

- Applicable Research
- Scientific Method
- Feasibility
- Transferable Results
- Publication & Public Presentation



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Application Planning

- Contracts based on application
- Preplanning
 - How
 - What
 - When
 - Who
 - Project costs
- Signature of authorized person on Cover Page and SHPO forms
- 1 electronic copy and 4 hard copies



Application Contents

- Application Content Requirements Overview
- Electronic Forms



Scope of Work

- Tasks 1 & 2: Permits and Plans
- Additional Tasks
- Final Report = Last Task
- Deliverables = Products Submitted to AWPf



Scope of Work Continued

- Task Number
- Task Title
- Task Description
- Task Purpose/Objective
- Deliverable Description
- Deliverable due Date
- Task Cost



Detailed Budget Breakdown

- Required for AWPB & Matching Funds (by Task)
 - Direct Labor
 - Outside Services
 - Other Direct Costs
 - Capital Outlay/Equipment Costs
 - Administrative Costs



All expenditures for each Task must be itemized in the Detailed Budget Breakdown

Common Problems

- Concepts -vs- fully developed projects
- Physical/Legal availability of water
- >5% administrative costs for AWPF funds
- Project management
- Inconsistent with AWPF program goals/criteria
- Insufficient cash flow (reimbursable program)
- Commitment of other partners
- Permits
- Timelines



Additional Information



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