

Grants and Loans for Natural Resource Activities

Program	Purpose	Eligibility	Award Amount	Deadline
<u>RENEWABLE RESOURCE PROJECT GRANTS</u>	Projects that conserve, manage, develop or protect Montana's renewable resources.	State, local, & Tribal governments	Up to \$125,000 per project.	Application deadline May 15th, 2020 Submit applications online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>RENEWABLE RESOURCE PLANNING GRANTS</u>	Planning efforts for projects that conserve, manage, develop, or preserve renewable resources in Montana.	State, local, & Tribal governments	Up to \$15,000 per project.	Application cycles: Nov 11, 2019 – Jan 31, 2020 Feb 21, 2020 – April 3, 2020 July 22, 2020 – Sept 11, 2020 Submit applications online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>EMERGENCY GRANTS AND LOANS</u>	Emergency projects that will cause substantial damages or legal liability to the entity seeking assistance.	State, local, & Tribal governments	As determined by need. Typically less than \$30,000.	Apply anytime. Contact David Larson, 406-444-2951, dclarson@mt.gov
<u>WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GRANTS</u>	Watershed related planning and management activities that conserve, develop, manage or preserve Montana's renewable resources and support a water management plan.	Private and public entities	Up to \$35,000. Non-profits require a 50% match.	Application cycles: To Be Announced Submit applications online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>IRRIGATION DEVELOPMENT GRANTS</u>	Projects that increase irrigation efficiencies, expand or sustain irrigated acreage, Increase production of high-value crops, improve inter-basin cooperation among water users	Private and public entities	Up to \$20,000 private entities require a 50% match.	Application cycles: To Be Announced Submit applications online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>GRANTS TO PRIVATE ENTITIES</u>	Projects that conserve, manage, develop or protect Montana's water resources.	Individuals, associations, or corporations	25 percent of the project cost up to \$5,000.	Apply Anytime after July 1, 2019 Applications available at dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans

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<u>RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT GRANTS</u>	Projects that repair, reclaim, and mitigate environmental damage to public resources from non-renewable resource extraction. Also funds projects that meet a crucial state need in the protection of Montana's environment.	State, local, & Tribal governments	Up to \$500,000.	Application deadline May 15, 2020 Submit applications by mail and online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANTS</u>	Planning efforts for projects that are eligible for Reclamation and Development program grants.	State, local & Tribal governments	Up to \$50,000 per planning project.	Application cycles: March 19, 2020 Other Cycles To Be Announced See dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans for application instructions
<u>AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL</u>	For AIS on-the-ground, education and outreach, and research projects.	Montana communities, state, local & Tribal governments, or other entities within the state and to Montana-based non-governmental entities	Up to \$50,000 for most projects.	Annual grant cycles due late December to early January. See dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans for application instructions
<u>PRIVATE WATER DEVELOPMENT LOANS</u>	Water development projects such as upgrading irrigation systems and developing rural water supplies.	Individuals, partnerships & associations	Up to \$400,000.	Apply anytime dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>RENEWABLE RESOURCE LOANS TO PUBLIC ENTITIES</u>	Low interest loans for projects that conserve, manage, develop or protect Montana's renewable resources are eligible for funding.	State, local, & Tribal governments	Up to the ability to repay the loan.	Application deadline May 15th, 2020 Submit applications online at www.fundingmt.org
<u>STATE REVOLVING FUND LOANS</u>	Fund activities that protect water quality through wastewater and drinking water system improvements.	Local governments & water and sewer districts	Up to the ability to repay the loan.	Apply anytime dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans

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<u>RANGELAND IMPROVEMENT LOANS</u>	Develop and improve private rangeland to benefit natural resources. Typical projects include fencing, seeding, & stock water supply	Private landowner	Up to \$75,000 @ 1.5% interest for 10 years.	Apply anytime. dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>CONSERVATION DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT GRANT</u>	Provides funds to increase conservation district employee's hours to assist in planning, securing funding, and implementing programs that improve public outreach, administrative capabilities, and implement conservation plans.	Conservation Districts	Up to \$10,000.	Application deadline to be announced dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>CONSERVATION DISTRICT 223 GRANTS</u>	Any project sponsored by a Montana conservation district under its authority.	Conservation Districts	Up to \$20,000.	Application deadline to be announced dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>CONSERVATION DISTRICT EDUCATION MINI-GRANTS</u>	Student and Adult Education projects that focus on water, weeds, or other natural resources.	Must be sponsored by a Conservation District	\$500	Application deadline to be announced dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>POLLINATOR GRANT</u>	Projects sponsored by conservation districts to improve pollinator habitat in Montana.	Conservation Districts	Minimum: \$500 Maximum: \$15,000	Apply anytime dnrc.mt.gov/grants-and-loans
<u>SAGE GROUSE HABITAT CONSERVATION</u>	Projects that contribute to mitigation efforts to offset impacts of development in sage grouse habitat.	State, local & Tribal govt. & some private organizations	Variable	Consult Sage Grouse website for grant opportunities and more information about applicant eligibility and application requirements: sagegrouse.mt.gov/



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