



Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Renewable Resource Grant and Loan
Program

WASACT Funding Workshop-Spring 2015

Grants and Loans are
Available for Projects that...

**Conserve, Manage,
Develop, or Preserve...**

**Montana's Renewable
Resources**

Funding is Available to Governmental Entities Including...

State Government

Cities and Towns

Sewer and Water Districts

Tribal Government

Other Political Subdivisions

Types of Funding Include...

Renewable Resource Grants

Project Planning Grants

Emergency Grants

Renewable Resource Loans

Renewable Resource Grants

\$125,000 Limit

Applications Are
Due May 15th,
2016

Public Facility Projects



Non-Public Facility Projects



Project Planning Grants

CIP's

PER's

Technical Narratives

Technical Studies



EMERGENCY GRANTS AND LOANS

...Unanticipated and Urgent

*...Last Reasonable Source of
Funding*

Renewable Resource Loans

Application Process Same as for Grants
Require Legislative Approval

Hedge Diversion Dam Replacement Project
Daily Ditches Irrigation District

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Montana's
invest
strategy



Funded by:

- DNRC Loan \$350,000
- DNRC Grant \$100,000
- USACE Grant \$465,000

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Interest Rates Vary
Limited Only by Debt Capacity

How Competitive is the Program?

Typically \$6-\$8 Million

102 Applications Last Cycle

Typically about 60% Funded

What are the Ranking Criteria?

Renewable Resource Benefits

Conservation, Management,

Development and/or

Preservation

Ranking Criteria...Continued

Public or Citizen Benefits

Statewide Impacts

Economic Benefits

Health or Safety Benefits

Ranking Criteria...Continued

Technical Feasibility

Financial Feasibility

Project Management Capacity

Environmental Feasibility

Renewable Resource Benefit Definitions

Conserve-To promote the efficient or sustainable use of a resource

Manage-To improve the ability to control or administer a resource

Develop-To develop a new beneficial and sustainable use of a resource

Preserve-To protect a resource

Public or Citizen Benefits

Examples Include...

Regional or Statewide Impacts

Health and Safety Benefits

Recreational Benefits

Educational Benefits

Economic Benefits

Technical Feasibility

The PER or Technical Narrative Must...

Comply with the Uniform Application

Address all Reasonable Alternatives

Provide Accurate Cost Data

Include Supporting Data

Address Environmental Impacts

Financial Feasibility

The Application Must...

Include a Complete Budget

Include Realistic Funding Options

Demonstrate Affordability

Project Management and Implementation

Applicants Must Demonstrate...

Adequate Staff and Management

Financial and Contract Management
Capacity

Agency Coordination

Public Involvement

Satisfactory Past Performance

Environmental Impacts

Applications and Proposed Projects Must...

Minimize Adverse Environmental Impacts

Identify Mitigation Measures if Necessary

Application Process...

For Public Facility Projects, Use the Uniform Application

For Other Types of Renewable Resource Projects, Use the RRGL Application

Apply @ [FundingMt.org](https://www.fundingmt.org)

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