

## Environmental Impacts

- Environmental Checklist
- Identification of Long-Term Adverse Impacts
- Proposed Mitigation

## Project Management

- Adequate Staffing
- Agency Coordination
- Public Involvement
- Contract Management
- Financial Management

## Application Process...

- Application Deadline: **May 15th of even number years**
- For Public Facility Projects, use the Uniform Application and the RRGL Supplement
- For Other Types of Renewable Resource Projects, Use the RRGL Application
- Applications are Electronic and Online  
<https://www.fundingmt.org>



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## Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program

Grants and Loans are  
Available for Projects that...

- Conserve
- Manage
- Develop
- Preserve



Montana's Renewable Resources

## *Funding is Available to Governmental Entities Including...*

- State and Local Governments
- Subdivisions of State and Local Government including Sewer, Water, School, Conservation, and Irrigation Districts
- Tribal Governments

## *Types of Funding Include...*

### *Renewable Resource Grants*

- \$125,000 Limit
- Applications Due **May 15th of even number years**

*Public Facility Projects*



*Other Renewable Resource Projects*



## *Project Planning Grants*

- Up to \$15,000...No Match Requirement
- TSEP First for Public Facility PER's
- Open Cycle for Remainder of Biennium...about \$400,000 Available

## *Grants To Private Entities*

- Limited To \$5,000 Or 25% of Project Cost, Whichever is Less
- Available To Small, Privately-Owned Water And Sewer Systems To Meet Regulatory Requirements
- Available To Individuals Under Some Circumstances
- Refer To Website Or Contact Staff For Additional Information

## *Emergency Grants*

- Reasonably Unforeseen
- Immediate Action Required To Prevent System Failure Or Legal Liability
- Funding Based on Staff Review

## *Public Loans*

- Applications due **May 15th of even number years**
- Project Must Demonstrate Resource and Citizen Benefits
- Open-Cycle Loans are Available Under Limited Circumstances. Contact Staff for Info.

## *How Competitive is the Program?*

- 102 applications received in 2014
- Typically Fund 60%-70% of the Eligible Applications

## *What are the Ranking Criteria?*

### *Renewable Resource Benefits*

- Conservation
- Management
- Development
- Preservation

### *Citizen Benefits*

- Well-being
- Safety
- Health
- Welfare

### *Technical Feasibility*

- Outline Requirements Addressed
- Thorough Alternatives Analysis
- Reasonable Preliminary Cost Estimates
- Preferred Alternative Justification
- Realistic Schedule
- Necessary Supporting Data

### *Financial Feasibility*

- Complete Budget
- Affordability
- Proposed Funding Feasibility

