A. PROGRAM PURPOSE:
The private water grant program is in place to support water projects funded by nongovernment entities such as individuals, associations, and watershed groups. Grants are available for projects that meet the following criteria:

1. The project benefits or develops a water resource;
2. The project is recommended or required by a government entity such as a county, conservation district or state agency;
3. Project costs are incurred after a grant agreement is signed;
4. The applicant is not a government entity

B. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

1. Private water grants are available up to $5,000 or 25% of the project cost, whichever is least.
2. Reimbursement is based on actual provided receipts.
3. Reimbursement will be done on a one-time only basis.
4. Match funding includes professional services, contracted labor, and materials. Receipts will be requested.
C. PROCEDURE FOR THE PRIVATE GRANT PROGRAM:

1. Fill out and send in a Private Water Grant Application before your project takes place.
2. Upon receiving the application, the DNRC will notify you as to whether your project is eligible for the program.
3. When your project is complete, the DNRC will enter into a grant agreement with the applicant for 25% of the project costs if there is funding available.
4. The grant agreement will have the following reporting requirements:
   a. Applicant Name
   b. Brief Project Description
   c. Date(s) of Project
   d. Benefit or Use of a Renewable Resource
   e. Public Benefits
   f. Cost of Project (the applicant will be reimbursed for 25% of the total project cost)
   g. Actual Receipts and other cost documentation
5. Once the grant agreement is signed and returned to the DNRC, we will send you a reimbursement check.

E. FUNDING AVAILABILITY:

   As long as there is funding available, DNRC will reimburse 25% of project costs on a first come, first serve basis.

F. APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Applications may be submitted to the department after July 1, 2017.

Submit Applications to:

Sonja Hoeglund
DNRC – Private Grant Program
PO Box 201601
Helena, MT 59620-1601

Phone: 406-444-0552
Fax: 406-444-6721
### REPUTABLE RESOURCE PRIVATE GRANT PROGRAM
Private Water Grant Application
To Individuals and Groups for Water Projects

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Check One: Individual _ Partnership _ Corporation _ Other (Please specify) ____________

**Tell us about the project, please complete all lines. Attach other sheets as needed.**

1) Describe the proposed project. ______________________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

2) Give the history and the anticipated results of the project. ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

3) Project start date _____________ Estimated completion date _________________

4) The finished project will be used by whom? _____________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

5) Discuss the benefits of the project to the general public. ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

6) Please describe and include any supporting documentation by Department of Environmental Quality, mandates, engineering reports, etc. that help explain the urgency of the project ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

7) Does this project require permits? ___ And if so have the necessary permits been obtained? (Please
8) Discuss both the positive and negative environmental impacts of the project, and how the negative impacts will be dealt with.

ESTIMATED COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROJECT

9) Estimated Expenses:
   - Labor $________________________
   - Equipment $____________________
   - Materials $_____________________
   - Engineering $___________________
   - Other $________________________

Total Estimated Cost of Project $________________________

ESTIMATED FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROJECT

- Estimated grant amount (25% of total cost or $5,000 whichever is less) $________________________
- Amount applicant will contribute $________________________
- Other funding (if applicable) $_________________________
- Total funding (must equal total cost) $________________________

I hereby declare that the information included in and all attachments to this application are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that the proposed project complies with all applicable state, local, and federal laws and regulations.

I further declare that, for ________________________________ (Applicant Name), I am legally authorized to enter into a binding contract with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation to obtain funding if this application is approved.

_________________________________________  __________________________
SIGNATURE                                      DATE

Return to:

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