



The Montana Legislature established the Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program (RRGL) to fund the conservation, management, development and preservation of Montana's renewable resources. The RRGL program provides both grant and loan funding for public facility and other renewable resource projects.

#### 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

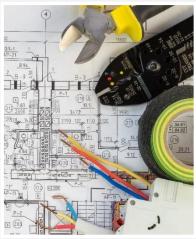
To protect a resource from pollution, destruction, or neglect.



### PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

### Grants or loans may fund the following project types:

- (a) Feasibility, design, research, and resource assessment studies;
- (b) Preparation of construction, rehabilitation, or production plans; and
- (c) Construction, rehabilitation, production, education, or other implementation efforts.



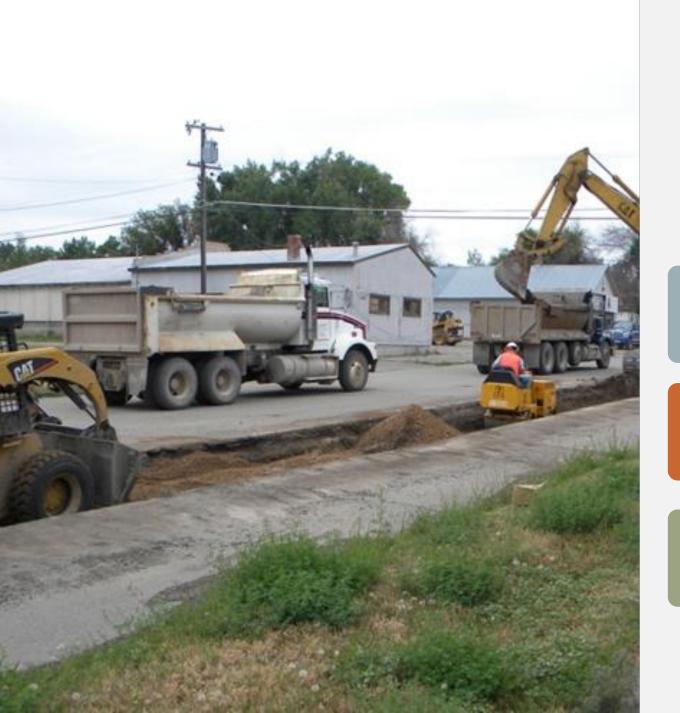




### AVAILABLE FUNDING TYPES

- Renewable Resource Grants
- Project Planning Grants
- Emergency Grants
- Renewable Resource Loans
- Relevant DNRC Funding:
  - ✓ Private Grants
  - Reclamation andDevelopment Program
  - ✓ Spreadsheet with other program options.







Amount

\$125,000 Limit

No Match Requirement



Due Date

Applications accepted every other year

May 15, 2024, by 5 p.m.



Process

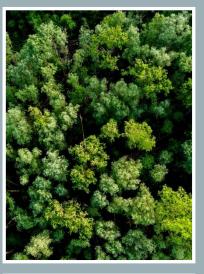
Public Facility Projects use the Uniform Application and RRGL Supplement
Other types use the RRGL Application



# Application Items Required Parts

- Project Summary and Abstract
- Resource and Citizen Benefits
- Technical Presentation/ Preliminary Engineering Report
- Project Management Plan
- Financial Presentation
- Environmental Evaluation









Criteria

#### Resource and Citizen Benefits

Most important part of the application (most points awarded)
Renewable resource conservation, management, development or preservation.

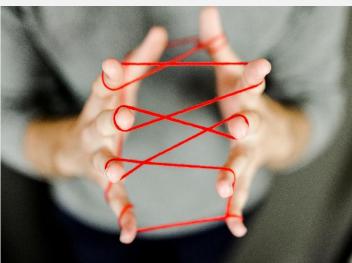
Citizen benefits to public health and safety Economic benefits Statewide and local benefits demonstrated **Quantify estimated benefits** 

Criteria

Technical Feasibility

Project Description
Alternatives Assessment
Cost Estimate
Schedule
Feasibility
Supporting data
Uniform Application Compliance







Criteria

Project Management

Adequate staff and management
Financial and contract management capacity
Agency coordination
Public involvement
Satisfactory past performance

Criteria

Financial Feasibility

Complete Budget Realistic Funding Options Demonstrate Affordability





Criteria

#### **Environmental Evaluation**

Minimize Adverse Environmental Impacts Identify Mitigation Measure, if applicable.



#### **UPDATES PENDING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL**

## RENEWABLE RESOURCE PLANNING GRANTS



#### **Amount**

\$10,000-CIP or Study or management tool that identify or prioritize projects or a PER update.

Up to \$15,000-Technical Narrative OR a Preliminary Engineering Report



#### **Due Date**

Funding Cycles closed until July 2023



#### OTHER DNRC GRANTS

#### **Emergency Grants**

• Up to \$30,000 for urgent unanticipated need and RRGL eligible.

#### Private Grants

· Available to individuals and associations

#### Reclamation and Development Grants

- Up to \$500,000 for projects damaged by resource extraction activities or hazardous materials.
- PLANNING AVAILABLE NOW Due 4/13/2023 up to \$50,000

### HOW TO APPLY?



**Submit Online:** 

www.grants.drnc. mt.gov



2. Submit by Mail

One original authorizing statement.

One unbound original application and supporting materials.

\$250.00 application fee





# RRGL PROGRAM CONTACTS



www.dnrc.mt.gov