Nonpoint Source Management Program :: Section 319 NPS Grant Program Application Process

- **Basics:**

One proposal/application is required.

Unless otherwise noted in the RFP, proposal/applications are due by January 9, 2009 at 5:00 pm of the year before funding will be available. The Applicant will be notified of the NPS Workgroup's interview decision by March 13, 2009. Please set aside in your schedule May 4-5, 2009, because these are the days applicants are interviewed. If your project is selected post interview process, you will be required to submit an abstract, provide quarterly reports documenting billable activities with quarterly invoicing, and a final report. If your project has a monitoring component, you will need to provide a quality assurance plan. Payment of funds is done on reimbursement. You pay bills associated with your project and submit an invoice with proof of expenditures and matching funds to the DWQ NPS UNIT requesting repayment.

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Requirements:

- Non-federal match of 40% of total request or 60% federal contribution + 40% non-federal match = 100% grant funding (to calculate this match multiply the federal portion of the request by 2 and divide the result by 3, that is take 2/3 of the federal request)(this confuses more applicants but the matching funds do not equal forty percent of the federal contribution, think 40/60=2/3.).
- Monitoring for watershed-scale projects and an accompanying quality assurance/control plan.
- Reports: quarterly and final/closeout.
- Project abstract upon selection of project.
- Invoices to DWQ in order to receive reimbursement for expenditures (in other words, you pay bills associated with your project and submit an invoice with proof of expenditures and matching funds to DWQ requesting repayment).

What's Appropriate:

- Demonstration of innovative Best Management Practices (BMPs).
- Water quality monitoring and modeling.
- Environmental education and technology transfer.
- Assessment development of Indices of Biologic Integrity
- Restoration of waters impaired due to NPS pollution
- Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) development and implementation projects

What's Inappropriate:

- **Activity required by a NPDES permit.**
- Water quantity projects such as dredging.
- Purchase of equipment and vehicles.
- Cost share unless part of a demonstration project.