

Announcement

Grant money is once again available to local/state government entities and tribes in ERO for implementing water quality related projects.

The grant originates from the Terry Husseman account within the Coastal Protection Fund. The maximum amount for any one project is \$50,000 and the funds do not require match by the recipient. Please see the attachments for additional information on the Coastal Protection Fund and the application form.

Some of the considerations we will use in ranking the proposals are:

- * Relationship between proposal and existing plans or programs.
- * Level of detail in the application.
- * Eligibility of the proposal under the statute.
- * Total project cost in relation to project size.
- * Timeframe for completion. Priority will be given to projects that can be completed in 1 year.
- * Availability of funding from other sources.
- * Provisions for ongoing monitoring/maintenance following project completion.
- * Funding should be a one-time award per project.
- * Project should be on-the-ground and ready to proceed.

An Ecology employee must sponsor the grant application and serve as grant contract manager in order for a proposal to be approved. If an application is approved, the sponsor will be required to report back to RWT on progress as needed and provide a brief verbal summary upon completion.

Application deadline: September 12, 2008

Applications will be reviewed and ranked in mid September. As money becomes available through the Husseman account, the approved projects will be funded in their ranked order.

Please submit all applications to Jaime Short, SEA Program, at 4601 N Monroe, Spokane, WA, 99205.