

Vermont Watershed Grants, Project Year 2010

Watershed Grant Application Grant awards up to \$20,000 (maximum)

Nine (9) complete copies due in the Watershed Grants office.

Must be postmarked or delivered by Friday, December 4, 2009.

(Application must be typed. Faxed or emailed applications will **not** be accepted. This application form may be downloaded at http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/waterq/lakes/htm/lp_watershedgrants.htm.)

You must also register your application online by Friday, December 4, 2009;
from the above web site.

There are insurance requirements that grant recipients must meet (refer to web site for details). These may be cost-prohibitive or otherwise problematic for some applicants. If you are not familiar with these requirements, we ask that you call either Rod Wentworth (Fish & Wildlife, 241-3709) or Rick Hopkins (Environmental Conservation, 241-3769) before applying for a grant.

Name of Project:

Project Sponsor:

Type of organization: Municipal entity Non-profit org. Sole-proprietor
 Corporation Other (Specify: _____)

Contact person:

Mailing Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Grant Amount Requested:

Project location and watershed (include a map where the project involves a specific site location, watershed or project area):

Provide a brief project summary:

Provide a brief sequence of tasks to be performed, with estimated completion dates. Indicate any aspects of the project that need to be completed before the project can begin (e.g. land purchase, securing additional funding, landowner agreements):

Please include any additional information that would help the Citizen Review Committee in understanding and reviewing your project proposal, including design sketches and publication outlines. If your organization is a citizen group, please give a brief description, history, and past projects.

In signing this application, I affirm that I understand the insurance requirements for grant recipients and that the applicant has the required insurance or will purchase it if awarded a grant.

Authorized Signature

Date

Type or print name and title

Checklist for Grant application submission:

All material typed

Nine copies of application submitted

Application, signed

Answers to Criteria Questions

Budget Table

Include no more than 8 pieces of paper (back to back), including answers to Criteria Questions

and letters of support.
Please - no applications via FAX or email
Register your application online

Return to: Vermont Watershed Grants, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Fish & Wildlife, Building 10 South, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05671-0401.

VT Watershed Grants Project Year 2010 Watershed Grant Project Criteria

Please provide brief answers to the following questions on separate paper. Please restate the question before providing an answer. The Citizen Review Committee will rate projects on a 100 point basis, using the points assigned to each questions.

A. Watershed Protection, Restoration, Education and/or Enhancement (50 possible points)

1) 0-20 points. Explain how your activity will result in short and long-term benefits to the watershed. To what extent does the project:

- a) protect or restore the natural watershed values; and/or
- b) protect or enhance the cultural and recreational watershed values.

2) 0-20 points. Describe how the project implements solutions or carries out actions specified in the Clean and Clear Program (refer to <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/cleanandclear/overview.htm>) that are intended to reduce phosphorus loading and/or sedimentation.

3) 0-10 points. Describe the extent to which your project includes a public outreach component and describe the intended audience. How will the proposed project contribute new and useful information about the watershed to the local community?

(NOTE: spread prevention of aquatic non-native nuisance species has a higher priority for grant funding than control (e.g. harvesting) of aquatic non-native nuisance species.

B. Design Considerations (20 possible points)

1) 0-10 points. To what extent has the project need been documented in the local community (e.g. is recommended in a town or organizational plan)? Explain the planning process and whether the project has been identified as a step or objective in the process. To what extent is the project consistent with municipal, regional, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, and other 's plans, policies, and procedures?

2) 0-10 points. Please provide specifics about the project design, including work plan, schedule of tasks, site plans or designs if necessary, and expected outcomes. Please also provide information, if appropriate, about any necessary landowner agreements, who controls the property on which the project will take place, and other tasks that must be completed before project initiation.

C. Public Support and Involvement (15 possible points)

How well is the proposed project supported by the local community? Please describe who supports the project, and what their role is, if any. Such support might include public meetings, special committees formed, funds committed, petitions, etc. Project support may appear on the Budget Table (page 4) in the form of in-kind contributions, land owner support, donations, grants, etc. (Letters of support may be included with the application, but the total number of pieces of paper may not exceed eight.)

D. Cost Effectiveness (15 possible points)

To what extent does the project seek to minimize costs and leverage in-kind services (volunteer time, donations of services or equipment etc.) or other funds as appropriate? Have other sources of funding or services been committed? Please fill out the Budget Table on page 4.

E. Special Considerations (+/- 5 possible points)

-5 to +5 points. To what extent are there positive or negative aspects about this project that are not addressed in the criteria above, such as: environmental impacts; critical, rare, or unique aspects; crisis situation; quality of the application and budget detail; etc.

Project Year 2010 Watershed Grant Proposed Budget

Name of Project:

Estimated project budget summary. Expense/Items may include costs for items such as: administration, design, labor, purchasing of materials, equipment rental, and printing. Please be relatively specific, as the Citizen Review Committee uses the information to understand how you intend to spend any grant funds. Although a local match is not required, by including “in-kind” expenses on the table below, the Review Committee can evaluate the cost-effectiveness and community support of your project.

Expense/Item	Grant request	Local (cash & in-kind)	Other non-local sources	Total Cost
Administrative Overhead	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Direct Labor	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Purchased Materials and Services	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Map, Plan or Publication Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
TOTALS	\$	\$	\$	\$

(“Local,” “Other non-local” and “grant request” columns should add up to “total cost” figures.)

Grant Request: \$_____

Total Cost of Project: \$_____