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Colorado office of Economic Development (State)

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INFRASTRUCTURE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUMMARY

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Purpose

The infrastructure assistance program is designed to create new permanent jobs and retain existing jobs, primarily for low- and moderate-income persons. This program encourages new business development, expansions and relocations of businesses located in non-entitlement cities and counties (that shall minimize, to the extent practicable, displacement of existing businesses and jobs in neighborhoods).

Funding Source

The funds utilized for this program are federal funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban

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Development; therefore, there are federal requirements which must be met. The Office of Economic Development (through an interagency contract with the Department of Local Affairs) may provide infrastructure assistance in support of specific businesses through an eligible city or county that is willing to take the financial risk in order to create or retain jobs. Additionally, all other businesses which will create or retain jobs as a result of the improvements may be required to comply with the program's primary objective, creation or retention of jobs for low-to-moderate income benefit.

Eligible Projects

Typically eligible improvements are owned and/or maintained by a public or quasi-public entity. Funds may be provided for the construction and/or improvement of:

- Water Lines & Wastewater Facilities
- Sewer Lines, Sewage Treatment Facilities
- Roadways
- Natural Gas-Line Services
- Electric Power Services
- Railroad Spurs
- Lighting
- Sidewalks
- Alternative Power Sources such as Solar

Requirements

Eligible applicants are non-entitlement cities and counties. Contact the Office of Economic Development (OEDIT) to determine applicant eligibility. The eligibility requirements include:

- Assisted businesses must demonstrate project feasibility and financial capability to develop the proposed plans that will result in creating and/or retaining jobs primarily for low-and moderate-income persons.
- At least one full-time equivalent job must be created and/or retained for every \$20,000 of assistance.
- Final funding decisions are made by the Governor's Financial Review Committee.

Terms

- For businesses that have been operating for at least three (3) years, the assistance may not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of the defined project.
- For businesses that have been operating for less than three (3) years, the assistance may not exceed thirty-five percent (35%) of the total cost of the defined project.
- The minimum award is generally \$100,000. OEDIT will consider requests for less than \$100,000 on a case-by-case basis.
- The maximum award is \$500,000. OEDIT will consider requests for more than \$500,000 on a case-by-case basis.

Process

A business should contact their local government where the project is located as federal guidelines require the local government to make an application for funding in support of the business. Prior to submitting a pre-application, the applicant and the business must complete

an application workshop and a specific project consultation with OEDIT staff. In some cases, it may be possible to request an individual project consultation in place of the required workshop; however, this determination must be made on a case-by-case basis as time allows. The applicant and the business requesting assistance must complete a pre-application which is submitted to OEDIT. If the pre-application is recommended for funding by the Governor's Financial Review Committee, the applicant is invited to submit a formal application which is due within 45 days of such notice. For further information or to obtain an infrastructure application (pre-application and formal application), please contact:

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Business Finance Division

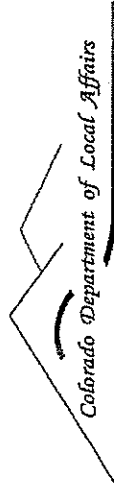
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Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Program
Colorado Office of Smart Growth (State)



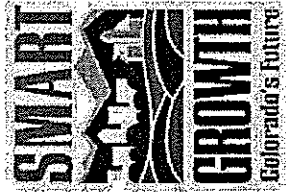
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Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Program

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The Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Program is designed to recognize and reward those communities cooperatively planning to manage growth. Eligible recipients include: towns, cities, counties, and Title 32, Article 1 special districts.

Approximately \$1.6 million has been awarded to projects involving over 100 local governments since the program's inception in 2000. The projects funded address many of the impacts of growth, including traffic congestion, loss of agriculture, loss of open space, fiscal impacts to local governments, wildfire hazards and a lack of affordable housing. The following is a list of the recipients from each year:

2002/03 Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Awards

[Garfield County Model County Land Use Code](#)
[Rifle - Parks and Open Space Planning Standards](#)

Delta Cooperative Re-Addressing Project
[Lafayette Model Landscape Code with Xeriscaping Emphasis](#)
and companion best practices manual
[Park County Fire Mitigation Model](#)
Dillon and Mountain Resort Visual Modeling Project
La Plata County Growth Management Plan

For more information about these projects, [click here](#).

2001/02 Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Awards

Pueblo Common Development Code
Southwest Colorado Impact Fee Studies
[San Miguel County Employee Housing Mitigation Support Study](#)
[Durango 9-R School Dist. School Land Dedication Study](#)
[Mancos Street Impact Fee \(and study\)](#)
[Chaffee County School Land Dedication/Fees in Lieu Study](#)
[Lake County Public Facilities Mitigation Fee, Support Study](#)
[Teller TEAM WORX](#)
[San Juan Skyway Heritage Initiative](#)
Gunnison Basin Joint Review Process
Lowry Range Long-Range Planning Opportunity
[Economic and Social Effects of Second Homes in Mountain Communities](#) (central mountain region)
Steamboat Springs Area Transportation Impact Study and Mitigation Plan
Northwestern Colorado Wildland Fire and Fuel Management Plan
[Regional Affordable Housing Authority Initiative](#) (Roaring Fork Valley)
Regional Transportation Policy Project: The North Front Range Template
Cherry Creek Smart Growth for Clean Water Partnership
Rural Healthy & Sustainable Growth Project (Chaffee County)

For more information about these projects, [click here](#).

2000/01 Colorado Heritage Planning Grant Awards

[Routt County Ranch Preservation Project](#)

Fort Collins-Timnath-Windsor Separator Project
Montrose Regional Gateway Corridors Plan
Silver Heritage Area Plan (Clear Creek County area)
Lariat Loop Management and Heritage Interpretation (Denver and Jefferson Counties)
Southwest Colorado Development Impact Reports:
Development Impact Analysis for Pagosa Springs
Development Impact Analysis for Town of Fico
Development Impact Analysis for Ridgway
Development Impact Analysis for Archuleta County
Development Impact Analysis: 10 Year Outlook for Montrose County
Fruita/Mesa County Transfer of Development Rights Program
Southeast Teller County Planning Initiative
Rooney Valley Master Plan: Alameda/C-470, Area
General Iron Works Light Rail Station Area Site Design (Englewood area)
Regional Revenue Sharing Opportunities in the Rural Resort Region
East Clear Creek County Fire Protection Plan
Telluride Region Commercial Use Study
Tri-Lakes Area Cooperative Plan (northern El Paso County area)
State Highway 56 Agricultural Protection Corridor (western Weld County area)
Open Space Dedication Survey (cooperative front range project)
Model Land Use Code (Weld County area)

For more information about these projects, [click here](#).

Application Information

For application information, please contact our office. We are not currently taking applications until funding has been restored to the program. We encourage local governments to contact their [field manager](#) to discuss alternative funding options for projects.

Annual Reporting Form for Grant Recipients

Grant recipients must submit an annual report, on the form provided here, to the executive director by January 1 of each year following the year in which a grant was made. The report updates the department on the status of the project, how funds have been spent, and the estimated completion date of the project.

Download the form in [Adobe Reader](#), [Word](#), or [WordPerfect](#).



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Community Facilities Loans and Grants
Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture (Federal)



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10.766 COMMUNITY FACILITIES LOANS AND GRANTS

FEDERAL AGENCY

RURAL HOUSING SERVICE (RHS), DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AUTHORIZATION

Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, as amended, Section 306, Public Law 92-419, 7 U.S.C. 1926.

OBJECTIVES

To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents.

TYPES OF ASSISTANCE

Guaranteed/Insured Loans; Direct Loans; Project Grants.

USES AND USE RESTRICTIONS

Community facilities include but are not limited to those providing or supporting overall community development such as child care facilities, food recovery and distribution centers; assisted-living facilities; group homes, mental health clinics, and shelters; and education facilities. Projects comprise, community, social, cultural, transportation, industrial park sites, fire and rescue services, access ways, and utility extensions. All facilities financed in whole or in part with RHS funds shall be for public use.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicant Eligibility

City, county, and State agencies; political and quasi-political subdivisions of States and associations, including corporations, Indian tribes on Federal and State reservations and other federally recognized Indian tribes; and existing private corporations which: (1) are operated on a not-for-profit basis; (2) have or will have the legal authority necessary for constructing, operating, and maintaining the proposed facility or service and for obtaining, giving security for, and repaying the loan; and (3) are unable to finance the proposed project from its own resources or through commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms. Assistance is authorized for eligible applicants in rural areas of the States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palaw, and the Federated States of Micronesia.

Beneficiary Eligibility

Farmers, ranchers, rural residents, rural businesses, and other users of such public facilities in eligible applicant areas as set out above.

Credentials/Documentation

Evidence of legal capacity and financial responsibility of the applicants and the economic feasibility of the project relative to the activity for which assistance is requested. This program is excluded from coverage under OMB Circular No. A-87.

APPLICATION AND AWARD PROCESS

Preapplication Coordination

The standard application forms as provided by the Federal agency and required by OMB Circular No. A-102 must be used for this program. An environmental assessment is required for this program. This program is eligible for coverage under E.O. 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs." An applicant should consult the office or official designated as the single point of contact in his or her State for more information on the process the State requires in applying for assistance if the State has selected the project for review.

Application Procedure

Preapplication Form SF-424 is filed at the local Rural Development district office from which assistance may be obtained. This program is subject to the provisions of OMB Circular No. A-110.

Award Procedure

After the preapplication has been reviewed by the Rural Development Area Office, it is forwarded to the Rural Development State Office for review and processing instructions. Following review by the State Office, the applicant is notified about eligibility, availability of funds, and if an application should be filed. Upon completion of application processing requirements and approval by the State Office, funds are made available to the Rural Development Area Office for delivery.

Deadlines

None.

Range of Approval/Disapproval Time

From 30 to 90 days.

Appeals

If an application is rejected, the reasons for rejection are fully stated. The applicant may request a review of the decision from the next higher management level of Rural Development.

Renewals

Not applicable.

ASSISTANCE CONSIDERATIONS

Formula and Matching Requirements

Matching funds are not required but may be used in connection with the funds provided from the applicant or other sources. Funds are allocated to States based upon rural population and number of households below the poverty level. The statistical factor for eligibility is towns or incorporated areas under 20,000 population for direct and guaranteed loans and 20,000 population for grants. The source is "Latest Decennial Census." This program has no statutory formula.

Length and Time Phasing of Assistance

A time limitation is not specified for the use of RHS loan or grant funds. Funds will be awarded when all RHS requirements are met and the project can be completed on a timely basis. Funds may be advanced on an as needed basis by RHS to cover expenses for a 30-day period.

POST ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS

Reports

Periodic reports are made to RHS. Each borrower will monitor and report to RHS on actual performance during the construction of each project financed, or to be financed, in whole or in part with RHS loan funds.

Audits

Periodic audits should be made as part of the recipient's system of financial management and internal control to meet terms and conditions of loans and other agreements. In accordance with the provisions of 7 CFR Part 3052, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," which implement OMB Circular No. A-133 (Revised, June 27, 2003), "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," nonfederal entities that receive financial assistance of \$500,000 or more in Federal awards will have a single or a program-specific audit conducted for that year. Nonfederal entities that expend less than \$500,000 a year in Federal awards are exempt from Federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in 7 CFR 3052.

Records

The borrower must maintain adequate records and accounts of the operation of the facility developed.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Account Identification

12-4155-0-3-452; 12-1951-0-1-452.

Obligations

(Direct Loans) FY 04 \$500,000,000; FY 05 est \$300,000,000; and FY 06 est \$300,000,000.
 (Guaranteed Loans) FY 04 \$205,301,000; FY 05 est \$210,000,000; and FY 06 est \$210,000,000. (Grants) FY 04 \$17,453,000; FY 05 est \$17,000,000; and FY 06 est \$17,000,000.

Range and Average of Financial Assistance

(Direct Loans) \$5,000 to \$4,500,000. Average: \$442,192. (Guaranteed Loans) \$50,000 to \$12,000,000. Average: \$859,283. (Grants) \$100 to \$100,000. Average: \$31,937.

PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In fiscal year 2004, 551 direct loans, 103 guaranteed loans, and 596 grants were made.

REGULATIONS, GUIDELINES, AND LITERATURE

7 CFR 1942, subpart A, Community Facilities Loans; 7 CFR 1942, subpart C, Fire and Rescue Loans; 7 CFR 3575, subpart A, Community Facilities Guaranteed Loans; 7 CFR 3570, subpart B, Community Facilities Grants.

INFORMATION CONTACTS

Regional or Local Office

Consult your local telephone directory for Rural Development county or district office numbers. If no listing, contact the appropriate Rural Development State Office listed in Appendix IV of the Catalog.

Headquarters Office

Deputy Administrator, Community Programs, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250- 3222. Telephone: (202) 720-1490.

Web Site Address

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>

RELATED PROGRAMS

10.500, Cooperative Extension Service; 10.664, Cooperative Forestry Assistance; 15.124, Indian Loans_Economic Development.

EXAMPLES OF FUNDED PROJECTS

Loans were made to: (1) establish rural health clinics in medically underserved areas; (2) purchase fire fighting, rescue, and public safety equipment for rural areas; (3) construct new municipal buildings; (4) build new schools to serve rural communities; and (5) renovate hospitals to meet current life/safety codes.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTING PROPOSALS

Projects are selected for funding giving due consideration to State development strategies, serving the largest number of low income rural residents, and priority recommendations. Priority for funding will be given to those projects that will enhance public safety such as fire, police, rescue, and ambulance services, and projects for health care facilities.

Colorado Watershed Protection Fund
Colorado Water Conservation Board (State)

Section 3

COLORADO WATERSHED PROTECTION FUND GUIDANCE FOR THE PREPARATION OF A WATERSHED GRANT APPLICATION

The information below is a brief summary of what must be included in an application for funding from the 2002 Colorado Watershed Protection Fund tax checkoff (to be awarded in FY2003). Proposals shall address all sections listed below. See the Colorado Watershed Protection Fund (CWF) Grant Program Guidance, dated January 2002 for complete descriptions and requirements for grant application. The proposals shall be no longer than 5 pages (*minimum 10 point font*), not including the summary sheet and attachments (e.g. maps).

SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

- **Completed application packets are due by April 30 (close of business).**
- **Three copies of each application packet must be delivered to the offices of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 723, Denver, CO 80203 (attn: Colorado Watershed Protection Fund).**
- **Logistical questions about submitting application packets should be directed to Bahman Hatami (303-866-3946 or bahman.hatami@dwr.state.co.us) or Brian Hyde (303-866-4803 or brian.hyde@dwr.state.co.us).**
- **On the envelope containing application packets and on the cover of each of the three copies of the application packets the applicant must indicate whether the application is for a project grant or a planning grant; the two categories of grants are described below**

GRANT CATEGORIES

Two categories of grants will be available under the Colorado Watershed Protection Fund program: (1) Project Grants, and (2) Planning Grants. Recognizing that good planning is a critical aspect of any project, the goal of the Commission and Board is the implementation of on-the-ground projects to restore and protect the lands and natural resources within Colorado watersheds.

Project Grants

These grants will support projects that promote the improvement and/or protection of the condition of the watershed. This could include projects such as water quality and/or water quantity monitoring, participation in the development and/or implementation of total maximum daily loads (TMDLs), implementation of watershed-related best management practices, flood protection, channel stability, and a wide variety of other riparian, streambank and habitat restoration efforts.

Watershed restoration or protection projects can be very costly, and this grant can be used as matching money for larger grants or grants that need nonfederal match. Grants can be used in multi-objective projects when multiple partners and funding sources need to be managed. The suggested maximum for this grant type is \$50,000.

Planning Grants

Development and implementation of a successful watershed restoration or protection project requires appropriate planning. This second category of grants will support these planning efforts. Such efforts may include data collection and assessment, analysis of project alternatives, project permitting, acquisition of funding for a project, and outreach efforts to ensure the education, involvement and support of the local community. The suggested maximum amount for this type of grant is \$25,000.

1.0 BASIC APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS – Each applicant watershed group must demonstrate that it meets the following basic qualifications for its funding applications to be considered:

- It is a watershed group committed to collaborative approaches, representing diverse interests within the watershed in question, with participation open to all interested persons in the watershed;
- The purpose of its grant application is to implement or plan for a project intended to restore and/or protect the water, lands and other natural resources within the watershed;
- There is broad based involvement in and/or support for the grant application, including relevant local, state, or federal governmental entities;
- The applicant is able to provide at least a 20 percent in-kind or cash match for the activities proposed; and
- For project implementation grants, there are other sources of funding contributing to the project in addition to the Colorado Watershed Protection Fund.

2.0 APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA – Once an application demonstrates that the applicant watershed group meets the Basic Applicant Qualifications, the application will be evaluated with respect to the following three factors:

- How *well* does the applicant fit the qualifications test? (*Qualifications*)
- Does the applicant organization have the capability to *accomplish* the proposed work? (*Organizational Capability*)
- How effective is the proposal at accomplishing the legislative intent of “restoration and protection of land and natural resources within the watersheds in Colorado”? (*Effectiveness of Proposal*)

The degree to which an application meets the above three evaluation factors will be determined by utilizing the rating system shown on the attached table, entitled “Colorado Watershed Protection Fund Application Evaluation Criteria”.

3.0 PROJECT PROPOSAL SUMMARY SHEET – In one page or less, please provide a brief summary of the project, project location (include Latitude/longitude if possible), grant amount and project sponsor(s), including name and address of a contact person.

4.0 GENERAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 4.1 Provide a brief description of the watershed and the issues in the watershed and a brief description of the project; describe the goals of the project and how the project will achieve those goals. Discuss the results of accomplishing the end product of the project.
- 4.2 Discuss the steps involved in completing the project, approximate costs and person-hours for each step, milestones toward project completion, a proposed schedule for project completion, and the expected end product.
- 4.3 Describe the process and timeline for involvement of the public and other interested parties.
- 4.4 Explain how the project is consistent with priorities specified in the CWPf Grant Program Guidance (i.e. whether the project will restore and/or protect the water, lands and other natural resources within the watershed).
- 4.5 Identify the waterbody or watercourse and/or land, or other natural resources related to such waterbody or watercourse for which this grant is sought (please include map(s)).
- 4.6 Provide general information about the watershed in which the project is located, including any relevant data or efforts regarding existing water quality and/or water quantity monitoring, best management practices, flood protection, channel stability, biological and riparian, habitat and streambank restoration.

5.0 APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

- 5.1 Identify the lead project sponsor and all cooperators; method of cooperation, responsibilities, etc.
- 5.2 Explain how Applicant's qualifications are consistent with priorities specified in the CWPf Grant Program Guidance.
- 5.3 Describe/demonstrate local support as described in the CWPf Grant Program Guidance (i.e. broadbased involvement in and/or support for the grant application, including relevant local, state, or federal governmental entities).
- 5.4 Include a copy of the watershed group's completed watershed plan, if one exists; if such a plan has been formally adopted by relevant local, state, or federal governmental agencies, provide written documentation of such adoption.
- 5.5 Discuss the watershed group's history of working with other community organizations and with local, state, and federal governmental agencies (*this may be submitted as an attachment to the application*).

- 5.6 Specify in-kind services or cash contribution (match) amount for the activities proposed.
- 5.7 Describe other sources of funding contributing to the project in addition to the Colorado Watershed Protection Fund.

6.0 ORGANIZATIONAL CAPABILITY

- 6.1 Explain why the lead sponsor is the appropriate entity to coordinate or implement the project.
- 6.2 Describe the organizational structure and primary membership of the lead sponsor organization, its funding sources, and history of work within the watershed project area, including the number and types of members (formal or informal), and the diversity of such membership.
- 6.3 Briefly describe the organization's major accomplishments, focusing on those that pertain to the proposed project.
- 6.4 Describe the level of staffing for the project, the capabilities of the proposed staff members, and the utilization of community volunteers.

7.0 EFFECTIVENESS OF PROPOSAL

- 7.1 Describe how the project will improve the health of the watershed or improve the strength of the organization to accomplish future projects and how its success in improving watershed health or improving organizational help will be measured.
- 7.2 Discuss the budget and the schedule for the proposed project and demonstrate that they are realistic.
- 7.3 Discuss the multi-objective aspects of the project and how they relate to each other. Describe similar activities in the watershed and how this project complements but does not duplicate those activities.

8.0 EVALUATION AND MONITORING PLAN

- 8.1 Describe the project implementation strategy, including goals, objectives and tasks and how progress in accomplishing the tasks will be evaluated during the project.
- 8.2 Describe storage, management and reporting of project data.
- 8.3 Describe any scientific models used as part of the project or state that no models will be used.

8.4 Describe the organization's proposed monitoring plan for measuring the long-term performance of the project.

8.5 Describe long-term funding plans for operation and maintenance of restoration activities and for ongoing monitoring, if any.

9.0 BUDGET - Present the project budget.

10.0 ATTACHMENTS – The following documents may be attached to the application in order to support the request for funding:

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- Names and brief resumes (5 lines or less) of members and officers who will work on the project and a 1-line description of the work they will do
- If the project is an implementation project, the applicant is encouraged to include a copy of the watershed plan on which the proposal is based, if such a plan exists
- Letters of support from other entities and letters of financial commitment
- Pertinent still photos
- Maps and reports from other similar or related projects

Colorado Watershed Protection Fund Application Evaluation Criteria

Rating Criterion	Maximum Points
Qualifications Evaluation	Total of 30 points
How diverse is the organization in terms of stakeholder participation and involvement?	5
Can the applicant organization show the involvement of diverse interests in planning for the long-term sustainability needs of its watershed (e.g. does it have a completed watershed plan)?	5
What is the applicant organization's history of working cooperatively in partnership with other community organizations and state and federal agencies?	5
What level of cash and in-kind match for the proposed project or planning effort can the applicant organization provide?	10
What other funding sources does the applicant organization have lined up for the proposed project or planning effort?	5
Organizational Capability	Total of 20 points
What is the applicant organization's history of accomplishments in regards to the proposed project or planning effort?	5
What <i>level</i> of staffing (volunteer or paid) does the applicant organization have available for the proposed project or planning effort?	5
How capable is the available staff of accomplishing the proposed project or planning effort?	5
Will the applicant organization utilize community volunteers in the project? If so, how many and in what capacity?	5
Effectiveness of Proposal	Total of 50 points
If the proposed project or planning effort is implemented, will it have a significant impact on improving the health of the watershed or improving the strength of the organization to accomplish future projects?	10
Is the proposal well thought out and will the proposal implementation steps really accomplish the stated goals of the proposal.	10
Can the proposed project or planning effort be accomplished given the financial and staffing resources available and proposed?	10
Is the proposed project or planning effort anticipated timeline realistic?	10
Does the project or planning effort have multiple objectives?	10

Water and Wastewater Program
Department of Agriculture (Federal)

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
WATER AND WASTEWATER
PROGRAM**

PURPOSE:

Loans and grants for water, wastewater, and storm water projects in rural areas and communities under 10,000 population.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Priority will be given to applicants in areas smaller than 5,500 people with deteriorating water supply or inadequate facilities. Preference will also be given to projects in which small facilities would be merged and those serving low-income areas.

RESTRICTIONS:

Loans and grants are available to local governments, special purpose districts, nonprofit corporations, and tribal governments. Applicants must have the legal authority to borrow and repay loans, to pledge security for loans, and to construct, operate, and maintain the facilities.

Repayment of the loan must be based on tax assessments, revenues, fees, or other sources of money sufficient for operation and maintenance, reserves, and debt retirement. The maximum term for a loan is 40 years.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants are handled through the Lakewood Rural Development office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project	Amount
Fremont Sanitation - loan	\$724,000
grant	\$714,000
Ignacio Sanitation - loan	
grant	\$399,600
City of Monte Vista - loan	\$610,000
Morgan Heights Water and Sanitation - loan	\$434,000
City of Fort Morgan - loan	\$2,000,000
grant	\$2,000,000
Town of Fairplay - loan	\$100,000
Town Brookside - loan	\$170,000
grant	\$355,000
Montezuma Water - guaranteed loan	\$2,100,000
TOTAL:	\$9,873,000.00

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