

Maine DEP Nonpoint Source Water Pollution Control Grants Program

2021 Requests for Applications

In March 2021, DEP plans to issue the following two Requests for Applications (RFAs) for NPS grants. (Target dates subject to change.) The overall goal of the grants program is to restore water bodies impaired by NPS pollution and protect water bodies threatened by NPS pollution. Grant funding is provided to DEP by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency under Sections 319(h) and 604(b) of the Clean Water Act. FMI: <http://www.maine.gov/dep/water/grants/319.html>

- **Watershed-based Plan Development** to restore impaired waters or protect threatened waters named on DEP's [Nonpoint Priority Watersheds List](#).
 - RFA release date - March 10, 2021
 - Application due date - April 28, 2021
 - Anticipated funds available - \$75,000
 - DEP expects to award 2 to 3 grants ranging from \$15,000 to \$40,000
 - Only for developing nine-element watershed plans (not lake watershed-based protection plans)
 - 25% nonfederal match requirement

- **Implementation of Watershed-based Plans** that are active and accepted by DEP.
FMI: <http://www.maine.gov/dep/water/grants/319.html>
 - RFA release date - March 26, 2021
 - Application due date - May 21, 2021
 - Anticipated funds available - \$1.2 million
 - DEP expects to award 10 to 15 grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$150,000
 - At least \$750,000 of available funds must be for impaired waters, and up to \$450,000 of available funds for threatened waters
 - 40% nonfederal match requirement

NPS Grants Workshop – Wednesday, February 10th

Maine DEP will host a Zoom workshop for prospective applicants about its two upcoming RFAs.

Agenda

9:00 – 9:45 Overview of DEP's NPS Program, Types of Grants and Grant Preparation Instructions
9:45 – 10:30 Anticipated RFA Changes in 2021, Question & Answer Session
10:30 – 11:30 Breakout Rooms to Discuss Potential Projects

Workshop Registration

Please register by emailing or calling Wendy Garland at wendy.garland@maine.gov or (207) 615-2451.

Zoom Meeting Link

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/92334215071?pwd=YjVreElxblhLemZkUHNQNWVmNFJJZz09>
Meeting ID: 923 3421 5071
Passcode: 5MP268

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