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Program's regular application cycle ended for fiscal year

Program has an ongoing or currently active application process

Program has active grant projects, but no future funding anticipated

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Facts applicable to all grants in this catalog:

- No filing fees are required for any grants administered by the DEQ.
- While the DEQ does not have fees for loans, most loaning institutions will have fees for the services they provide.
- All grants over \$250,000 are reviewed and approved by the State Administrative Review Board.

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Beach Monitoring Grants - Inland Lakes

Purpose:

To provide funding for more effective [monitoring of public bathing beaches](#).

Goals of the Program:

To determine levels of bacteria in select bathing beach waters of the state; notify the public of the results; evaluate the effectiveness of state programs in preventing bacterial contamination of surface waters; and develop methods that can differentiate sources of bacterial contamination.

Eligibility:

Local county health departments, universities, and non-profit organizations.

Criteria:

- The location and frequency of beach use.
- The history of beach monitoring.
- The history of bacterial contamination.
- Access to lab facilities to analyze samples promptly.
- Ability to communicate results to the public in an efficient manner.
- Ability to respond and take appropriate action in an event of beach contamination.
- The proximity of the beach to known contamination source.
- The availability of matching funds.
- The innovativeness and feasibility of the proposed project.
- Ability to reduce time delay between sampling and results.

Application Process:

- Grant Application Packages are distributed.
- Applications are reviewed and projects selected.
- Applicants are notified.
- Contracts are awarded upon receipt of an acceptable work plan and budget.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the department based on program priorities, criteria, and eligibility.

Deadlines:

Deadlines may vary from year to year based on funding priorities. Applicants will usually have 60 days to prepare and submit a grant application. Grant awards will be announced following department review. The department reserves 90 days for the review process.

Timelines:

In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 90 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

Grants are offered every other year. \$200,000 in Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) bond funds will be available in Fiscal Year 2013. Individual grants of up to \$25,000 are anticipated.

Required Match:

The grants require a minimum of 25 percent local match (can include in-kind services).

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Source(s) of Funds:

State of Michigan, Clean Michigan Initiative Bond Fund.

Authority:

Section 8808 of 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Bureau/[Shannon Briggs](#), 517-335-1214, briggss4@Michigan.gov.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Dollar amounts available are subject to change on an annual basis.

Related Grants:

None

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See the [DEQ press release](#).

Request for Proposals:

See the [Assessment of Michigan Waters](#) under Grants.

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BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT GRANTS AND LOANS

Brownfield Redevelopment Grants and Site Reclamation Program Grants

Purpose:

Brownfield Redevelopment Grants (BRG) and Site Reclamation Grants (SRG) provide funding to local units of government and other public bodies to investigate and remediate known sites of environmental contamination in preparation for economic redevelopment projects.

Goals of the Program:

To ensure safe reuse of abandoned, vacant, or underutilized contaminated properties, and to promote clean up and redevelopment of brownfields. Redevelopment of brownfield sites re-energizes local economies, strengthens neighborhoods, benefits the environment and protects public health.

Criteria:

A proposed project must result in economic benefit for the community through job creation, private investment, and/or increased tax revenue for the community. A grant can only be awarded if there is a bona fide development project for the site. The property must meet the definition of a facility under Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. Grant recipients are required to sign a grant agreement prior to commencement of grant eligible work.

Eligibility:

Any county, city, village, township, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, or other authority or public body created pursuant to state law may apply for a grant. Eligible activities include environmental investigations and assessments, interim response, clean up, and due care activities necessary for the proposed development. Only one grant may be awarded to an applicant during any fiscal year. A liable party may not receive a grant or profit from the expenditure of state funds nor be relieved of responsibility for environmental response activities.

Application Process:

Applications are accepted on a continuing basis. A single application is used for all Brownfield Redevelopment Program grants and loans. Evaluation criteria include the level of economic development, applicant and property owner liability, the anticipated environmental benefit, and other factors.

Nominating Procedures:

Prospective applicants are asked to contact the program Brownfield Coordinator assigned for the area in which the project is located ([DEQ Brownfield Coordinator](#)) to discuss eligibility of the proposed project, confirm funding availability and obtain an application. Once submitted, applications will be reviewed by the DEQ staff for determination of eligibility. In order to be competitive, proposed projects must document the local financial commitment to the project, and the environmental and economic benefits of the proposed project. Other criteria considered in the evaluation include whether the project demonstrates the principles of site reuse, greenspace preservation, smart growth, storm water runoff management, or other sustainable development concepts.

Deadlines:

Applications are accepted on a continuing basis.

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Timelines:

The review time from the date a complete application is received until a decision by the Director is made is usually three months.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Maximum grant award is \$1 million per project for Brownfield Redevelopment Grants, and \$2 million per project for Site Reclamation Grants.

Required Match:

No local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

For BRG - [Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond Fund of 1998.

For SRG - Environmental Protection Bond Fund of 1988.

Authority:

For BRG - Part 196 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

For SRG - Parts 195 and 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 of PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Remediation Division, Brownfield Redevelopment Program, 517-373-9540.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

It is possible that all available remaining grant money will be awarded to projects by the end of FY2012. The grant program will end when the funds are all committed, unless a new funding source is identified.

Related Funding:

The Brownfield Redevelopment Program includes Clean Michigan Initiative Brownfield Redevelopment Loans, [Revitalization Revolving Loans](#), Site Assessment Fund grants, [CMI Waterfront Redevelopment Grants](#), and Tax Increment Financing pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

Click here for a list of [recently awarded brownfield grant and loan projects](#).

Request for Proposals:

Applications are accepted throughout the year. Contact the [DEQ Brownfield Coordinator](#) in your area.

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Brownfield Redevelopment Grants and Loans Revitalization Revolving Loans

Purpose:

Brownfield Redevelopment Loans (BRL) and Revitalization Revolving Loans (RRL) are designed to support the redevelopment of brownfield properties by providing low-interest loans to local units of government and other public bodies to investigate and remediate sites of known or suspected environmental contamination.

Goals of the Program:

To ensure safe reuse of abandoned, vacant, or underutilized contaminated properties, and to promote clean up and redevelopment of brownfields. Redevelopment of brownfield sites re-energizes local economies, strengthens neighborhoods, benefits the environment and protects public health.

Criteria:

A proposed project site must have economic development potential, although a specific development project is not required for a loan award. A municipality must pledge its full faith and credit to secure the loan. When a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) is the applicant, the municipality under which the BRA was formed must make this pledge. The Michigan Department of Treasury will approve the applicant's ability to incur the debt. Loans are offered at an interest rate of no more than 50 percent of prime. Currently the interest rate is set at 1.5%, simple interest. There are no payments or interest due for the first five years after a loan is awarded. Annual payments begin in the fifth year of the loan. The full amount must be repaid within 15 years of the loan award. This arrangement provides an excellent opportunity for a community, or the BRA, to use tax increment financing (TIF) under the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended, to capture future taxes generated from the redevelopment of the property, to repay the loan. The legislation authorizing the TIF also allows the community to capture additional tax dollars after having repaid their loan, to use for future brownfield redevelopment activities in their communities.

Eligibility:

Any county, city, township, village, BRA, or other authority or public body created pursuant to state law may apply for a loan. Eligible activities include environmental investigations and assessments, interim response activities, and in some cases demolition. Response activities are eligible under the BRL funding but are not eligible for RRL funds. Only one project may be awarded to an applicant during any fiscal year.

Application Process:

Applications are accepted on a continuing basis. A single application is used for all Brownfield Redevelopment Program grant and loan funding sources. Evaluation criteria include the potential economic benefit to the community, the environmental benefit, local support, and other factors.

Nominating Procedures:

Prospective applicants are asked to contact the program Brownfield Coordinator assigned to the area in which the project is located ([DEQ Brownfield Coordinator](#)) to discuss eligibility of the proposed project, confirm funding availability, and obtain an application. Once submitted, applications will be reviewed by the DEQ staff for determination of eligibility. In order to be competitive, proposed projects need to demonstrate the applicant's need for financial assistance, and/or a local financial commitment to the project. Other criteria considered in the evaluation include whether the project demonstrates the

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principles of site reuse, greenspace preservation, smart growth, storm water runoff management, or other sustainable development concepts.

Deadlines:

Applications are accepted on a continuing basis.

Timelines:

The review time from the date a complete application is received until a decision is made by the Director is usually three months.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Maximum loan amount is \$1 Million per project for Brownfield Redevelopment Loans. Maximum funding limits for the Revitalization Revolving Loan program depend on availability of funds.

Required Match:

No local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

For BRL- [Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond Fund of 1998

For RRL - The RRL Fund was originally capitalized with general funds, and additional funds per PA 480.

Authority:

For BRL- Part 196 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

For RRL - Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 of PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Remediation Division, Brownfield Redevelopment Program, 517-373-9540.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

None.

Related Grants:

The Brownfield Redevelopment Program includes Brownfield Redevelopment Loans, [Site Assessment Fund Grants](#), Site Reclamation Grants, [CMI Waterfront Redevelopment Grants](#), and Tax Increment Financing pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

Click here for a list of [recently awarded brownfield grant and loan projects](#).

Request for Proposals:

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Brownfield Redevelopment Grants and Loans Site Assessment Fund Grants

Purpose:

The Site Assessment Fund has provided over 120 assessment projects in over 45 Michigan communities. The program awarded grants up to \$1 million to eligible local units of government to assess the nature and extent of contamination at properties with economic development potential.

Goals of the Program:

The program was designed to encourage the sale and redevelopment of potentially contaminated properties with economic potential. Communities were able to utilize grant funds to conduct environmental assessments and characterize the extent of any contamination existing on a property. Some properties were found to be uncontaminated; others had varying degrees of environmental concerns. Potential purchasers are more likely to acquire property even if there is contamination when the environmental concerns are known, compared to properties with little or no environmental data. Financial institutions typically regard properties with uncertain environmental issues as a higher risk investment.

Criteria:

The property to be evaluated must have economic development potential, although a committed purchaser or development was not required. The property must be located in a ["Core Community"](#) as defined under Section 2 of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, 2000 PA 146, or a county seat. Funding cannot be used to relieve a potentially responsible party of his/her obligation to remediate a site, nor can a potentially responsible party benefit from the expenditure of state funds.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be the local unit of government (township, village, city or county) with Core Community status. Vacant manufacturing facilities and abandoned industrial sites were eligible properties. Eligible activities included development of a Baseline Environmental Assessment and Due Care Plans, and remedial investigation and interim response activities in compliance with Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Application Process:

Applications are no longer being accepted. The funding for this grant program has been exhausted. No additional funding rounds are anticipated.

Filing Fees:

None.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant awards were made by the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality.

Deadlines:

Applications are no longer being accepted.

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Timelines:

The review time from the date a complete application was received until a determination was made by the Director was usually three months.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Maximum grant award was \$2 million dollars per project.

Required Match:

No local match was required.

Source(s) of Funds:

Environmental Protection Bond Fund of 1988.

Authority:

Parts 195 and 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 of PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Remediation Division, Brownfield Redevelopment Program, 517-373-9540.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

There is currently no plan for future grant applications or funding.

Related Grants:

The Brownfield Redevelopment Program includes [Clean Michigan Initiative Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#), [CMI Brownfield Redevelopment Loans](#), [CMI Waterfront Redevelopment Grants](#), [Revitalization Revolving Loans](#), Site Reclamation Grants and Tax Increment Financing pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

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Request for Proposals:

Applications are no longer being accepted.

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Coastal Management Program Grants Great Lakes Areas of Concern Land Acquisition Grant Program

Purpose:

To provide federal financial and technical assistance to land acquisition projects (fee simple interests or conservation easements) within the U.S. Great Lakes Areas of Concern (AOC) and their associated watersheds that meet NOAA's mission to protect and restore coastal habitats and that support the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy and the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Action Plan.

Goals of the Program:

To contribute to the delisting of fish and wildlife habitat-related beneficial use impairments (BUIs) in Great Lakes AOC; yield significant ecological benefits; and provide community benefits such as improved opportunities for recreation, park use, open space, or other tangible community benefits.

Criteria:

Projects must be within a U.S. Great Lakes AOC or its associated watershed and contribute to the removal of either project-based delisting targets or numeric delisting targets for fish and wildlife habitat related BUIs as described in the target AOCs Remedial Action Plan (RAP). The project must be endorsed by the RAP implementation group. Projects should be likely to be completed within 18 months.

Eligibility:

Local governments may submit proposals provided they have the authority to acquire and manage land for conservation purposes. Local government means a county, municipality, city, town, township local public authority (including any public and Indian housing agency under the United States Housing Act of 1973), school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments, any other regional or interstate government entity, or any agency or instrumentality of a local government. Under section 306A (e) of the CZMA, an eligible entity may be a local government, an areawide agency designated under Chapter 41, Subchapter II, Section 3334 of Title 42, a regional agency, or an interstate agency.

Application Process:

Request for Proposals (RFPs) are announced annually with a deadline for application.

Nominating Procedures:

The MCMP may solicit proposals. All proposals that receive endorsement from the RAP implementation group will be submitted to NOAA via Grants.gov through the MCMP. NOAA will select projects for funding. Funding levels will be contingent upon the availability of Federal appropriations for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Deadlines:

A Request for Proposals is typically distributed by the MCMP within the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) annually published by NOAA.

Timelines:

Projects are selected for submittal to NOAA annually. Funds become available the same year.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

There is no minimum or maximum grant requirement.

Required Match:

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There is not statutory matching requirement for this program. Applicants are encouraged to demonstrate a 1:1 non-federal match for land acquisition funds requested to conduct the proposed project. Cost sharing is an element considered in the evaluation criteria. Non-federal match may be derived from state, local, non-governmental or private sources in the form of cash or in-kind contributions.

Source(s) of Funds:

U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA.

Authority:

The Secretary of Commerce is authorized under the following statutes to provide grants and cooperative agreements for land acquisition:

Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act 16 U.S.C. 661, as amended by the Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 19170;

Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.;

The Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (16 U.S.C. 1451-1)

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Office of the Great Lakes, Michigan Coastal Management Program, Ronda Wuycheck , 517-241-7832.

Related Grants:

[Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#); [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#).

Recent Award List/Example Project:

Not applicable.

Request for Proposals:

Coming soon.

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Coastal Management Program Grants Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) Grants

Purpose:

To protect important coastal and estuarine areas that have significant conservation, recreation, ecological, historical, or aesthetic values, or that are threatened by conversion from their natural or recreational state to other uses.

Goals of the Program:

To protect high quality, sensitive coastal areas; protect rare and threatened species and natural communities; maintain biodiversity and protect the coastal natural communities necessary to support diversity; maintain Michigan's cultural heritage; fulfill recreational needs; utilize previously created conservation and management plans to identify projects that are eligible for funding; ensure lands acquired under this program are effectively managed. Additional information about the CELCP program at the national level is available at the [Ocean & Coastal Resource Management web site](#).

Criteria:

The project must: be located within the State's Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program boundary as identified in Michigan's DRAFT CELCP Plan; be held in public ownership (fee simple or conservation easements) and provide conservation in perpetuity; provide for access to the general public or other public benefit, as appropriate and be consistent with resource protection; and promote the goals of the state's DRAFT CELCP Plan. The DRAFT CELCP Plan is found at www.mi.gov/coastalmanagement under Information.

Eligibility:

- State of Michigan Departments
- Local units of government including cities, counties, villages and townships
- Conservation Districts
- State Colleges and Universities
- Tribal governments

Application Process:

Request for Proposals (RFPs) are announced annually with a deadline for application.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are reviewed by the DEQ based on the criteria in the state's DRAFT CELCP Plan. Site visits may be conducted and projects are scored and ranked based on how well they further the CELCP objectives. Up to 3 proposals may be submitted from the Coastal Management Program to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for inclusion in the national competition annually.

Deadlines:

A Request for Proposals is typically distributed by the CMP within the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) annually published by NOAA.

Timelines:

Projects are typically selected for submittal to NOAA annually. Funds become available the following year.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Maximum grant amounts are \$3,000,000. There is no minimum grant requirement.

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Required Match:

The match requirement is 1:1. Local match can be in the form of cash, in-kind services, donated land value (where appropriate), and other grant funds from non-federal sources.

Source(s) of Funds:

U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA

Authority:

The CELCP was created by Public Law 107-77 and codified in 16 U.S.C. 1456d.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Office of the Great Lakes, Coastal Management Program Unit, Ronda Wuycheck,
(517) 241-7832.

Related Grants:

[Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#); [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#)

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See the [CELCP Web site](#).

Request for Proposals:

See the [Coastal Management Program Web site](#).

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Coastal Management Program (CMP) Annual Grants Enhancement Program Grants

Purpose:

To assist coastal communities and other eligible applicants in meeting the goals and objectives identified in the *Section 309 Assessment and Five-Year Strategy for Coastal Zone Management Program Enhancement, Fiscal Years 2012-2016* posted on the [DEQ Coastal Management Program](#) Web site.

Goals of the Program:

- Climate Change Adaptation in Coastal Wetland Management.
- High Risk Erosion Area Rule Revisions.
- Improved Rip Current Forecasting and Hazard Messaging.
- Offshore Wind Energy Regulatory Program Development.

Criteria:

- Extent to which the project furthers the above listed goals.
- If the project addresses program priorities.
- Demonstration of project need.
- Overall quality and clarity of the application.
- Organizational capability of the applicant.
- Cost-effectiveness of the project.
- Level of local support and partnerships.

Eligibility:

Applicants include:

- Coastal units of government including cities, counties, villages and townships.
- Area-wide agencies, including regional planning commissions and conservation districts.
- Universities and school districts.
- Non-profit organizations (non-construction projects only).
- Tribal governments.

All projects must be within Michigan's coastal boundary that generally lies 1,000 feet inland from the ordinary high water mark of the Great Lakes. Included within the boundary are coastal state parks, coastal lakes, coastal floodplains, Great Lakes connecting waters, coastal river mouths, bays, and designated sand dune areas. Federally-owned lands are excluded from the boundary. For further information see coastal boundary maps at www.michigan.gov/coastalmanagement under Information.

Application Process:

The Request for Proposal (RFP) is announced and posted on the [DEQ Coastal Management Program](#) Web site with a deadline for application.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are reviewed by the DEQ based on the criteria above. Site visits are conducted and projects are selected based on the funds available and how well they further the goals. Recommended proposals are submitted to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for final approval.

Deadlines:

The Request for Proposal is available in January, with an application submittal deadline of April 1, for funding in the upcoming fiscal year.

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Timelines:

Projects are typically selected for submittal to NOAA by September 1. Funds become available the following January.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

\$60,000 maximum grant request.

Required Match:

No match requirement; however, funding for this is limited and providing a 1:1 match will increase the likelihood that the project will be funded. Local match can be in the form of cash, in-kind services and other grant funds from non-federal sources.

Source(s) of Funds:

U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA.

Authority:

Section 309 of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Office of the Great Lakes, Coastal Management Program, Ronda Wuycheck, 517-241-7832.

Related Grants:

[Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#), [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#).

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See the [CMP Web site](#).

Request for Proposals:

See the [Coastal Management Program Grants & Application](#).

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Coastal Management Program (CMP) Annual Grants Planning and Construction Grants

Purpose:

To assist coastal communities and other eligible applicants in meeting the goals and objectives identified in the federal Coastal Zone Management Act and Michigan's Coastal Management Program (MCMP).

Goals of the Program:

- Create and enhance coastal public access.
- Assist the development of vibrant and resilient coastal communities.
- Protect and restore healthy coastal natural communities, including fish and wildlife habitat.
- Prevent damage from coastal erosion and flood hazards.
- Protect coastal water quality and reduce nonpoint source pollution in coastal watersheds.

Criteria:

- Extent to which the project furthers MCMP objectives.
- If the project addresses program priorities.
- Demonstration of project need.
- Overall quality and clarity of the application.
- Organizational capability of the applicant.
- Cost-effectiveness of the project.
- Level of local support and partnerships.

Eligibility:

Applicants include:

- Coastal units of government including cities, counties, villages and townships.
- Area-wide agencies, including regional planning commissions and conservation districts.
- Universities and school districts.
- Non-profit organizations (non-construction projects only).
- Tribal governments.

All projects must be within Michigan's coastal boundary that generally lies 1,000 feet inland from the ordinary high water mark of the Great Lakes. Included within the boundary are coastal state parks, coastal lakes, coastal floodplains, Great Lakes connecting waters, coastal river mouths, bays, and designated sand dune areas. Federally-owned lands are excluded from the boundary. For further information see coastal boundary maps at www.michigan.gov/coastalmanagement under Information.

Application Process:

The Request for Proposal (RFP) is announced and posted on the [DEQ Coastal Management Program](#) website with a deadline for application.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are reviewed by the DEQ based on the criteria above. Site visits are conducted and projects are selected based on the funds available and how well they further MCMP objectives. Recommended proposals are submitted to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for final approval.

Deadlines:

The Request for Proposal is available in January, with an application submittal deadline of April 1, for funding in the upcoming fiscal year.

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Timelines:

Projects are typically selected for submittal to NOAA by September 1st. Funds become available the following January.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Planning projects: \$60,000 maximum grant request.

Construction projects: \$5,000 minimum and \$50,000 maximum grant request.

Required Match:

The match requirement is 1:1. Local match can be in the form of cash, in-kind services and other grant funds from non-federal sources.

Source(s) of Funds:

U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA.

Authority:

Federal Coastal Zone Management Act.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Office of the Great Lakes, Coastal Management Program, Ronda Wuycheck, 517-241-7832.

Related Grants:

[Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#); [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#).

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See the [CMP Web site](#).

Request for Proposals:

See the [Coastal Management Program Grants & Application](#).

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Community Pollution Prevention (P2) Grants

Purpose:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will provide matching grants to county governments, local health departments, municipalities, and regional planning agencies for endeavors that will further the goal of the program.

Goals of the Program:

The goal of the Community P2 Program is to promote local P2 initiatives that foster partnerships and sustainability.

Eligibility:

County governments, local health departments, schools, school districts, municipalities, and regional planning agencies are eligible to receive funding.

Criteria:

The project activities must meet the definition of P2 under Part 145, Waste Reduction Assistance, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. The project must focus on achieving measurable reductions in waste, have a local or regional focus, and result in long-term improvements or protection of the environment.

Application Process:

Grant Request for Proposal is announced with a deadline for application. The [FY2012 RFP](#) provides additional background information.

Filing Fees:

None

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the Department of Environmental Quality based on program priorities, criteria, and eligibility.

Deadlines:

Will be determined once a program review is completed.

Timelines:

Will be determined once a program review is completed.

Dollar Amount Available (Min./Max.):

A total of \$250,000 in funding is available.

Required Match:

Organizations receiving grants are required to match state funds by at least 25 percent. Grantee contributions may include cash, in-kind goods and services, and/or third party contributions.

Source(s) of Funds:

Community P2 Fund.

Authority:

Beverage Containers, Initiated Laws of 1976, 445.573e [Cleanup and Redevelopment Fund](#) and Part 145, Waste Reduction Assistance of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

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Responsible Division and Contact:

Office of Environmental Assistance, [Karen Edlin](#), 517-373-0604.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next year:

Funding priorities, dollar amounts available, and match requirements are subject to change on an annual basis.

Related Grants:

None

Recent Awards/Example Project:

Community based pollution prevention (P2) programs that promote local P2 initiatives and foster partnerships and sustainability.

Request for Proposals:

To be announced.

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Drinking Water Revolving Fund Loans

Purpose:

The [Drinking Water Revolving Fund](#) provides low-interest loans to water suppliers to finance the construction (including upgrades/expansions) of public drinking water systems.

Goals of the Program:

To assist water suppliers in providing safe/high quality drinking water.

Eligibility:

Any water supplier who owns and operates a community or non-community (if operated as a non-profit entity) water supply.

Criteria:

The requirements for this program are identified in Part 54, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended. Certain federal requirements may also apply and are spelled out in Title XIV of the Public Health Services Act (commonly referred to as the Safe Drinking Water Act). Primarily, applicants must present environmentally sound water supply projects which are drawn from a Project Priority List (PPL) administered by the Resource Management Division (RMD).

Application Process:

- The water supplier is first ranked on the project priority list by submitting a project plan to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- The water supplier is included in the annual fundable range according to priority ranking and the level of fund lending capacity.
- The water supplier submits plans and specifications for DEQ review.
- The water supplier submits an application for assistance in accordance with the quarterly funding schedule.
- The water supplier receives financial assistance upon satisfying program requirements through the application process.

Nominating Procedures:

After submitting a project plan and the project is ranked on the PPL, projects in the fundable range are notified. A schedule is then developed that will lead to completion of the environmental review, submission of an application, award of an Order of Approval, and closure of the loan.

Deadlines:

The deadline for submission of a project plan to be included on the annual PPL is May 1. The deadline for the application for financial assistance is negotiated for each project dependent upon which quarter they will receive a binding commitment.

Timelines:

The time period may run approximately eight months to several years from the time the project plan is submitted to receipt of assistance. From the time of actual application to receipt of assistance, the process may take as little as three months. Much is dependent upon available funds and the quality of municipal submissions.

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Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Dependent on federal grant amount.

Required Match:

No local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

The fund is capitalized with federal grant funds and a required 20% state match.

Authority:

Part 54, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994 and Title XIV of the Public Health Service Act (commonly referred to as the Safe Drinking Water Act).

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Resource Management Division, Revolving Loan Section, [Sonya Butler](#), Chief, 517-373-2161.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Since the fund “revolves” it is intended to operate in perpetuity. Annual lending capacity will remain even if new federal/state capitalization ceases.

Related Programs:

None.

Request for Proposals:

Municipalities can apply at any time by submitting a project plan.

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Illicit Connections Grants

Purpose:

To provide funding to identify and require the correction of illicit connections to storm sewers. Illicit connections are pipes from businesses and homes that are improperly connected to storm sewers; waste is discharged to waterbodies rather than directed to a wastewater treatment plant.

Goals:

To identify illicit connections and require connection to sanitary sewers.

Criteria:

Selection criteria was consistent with the Clean Water Fund Administrative rules and includes: anticipated benefits related to the cost; ability of the applicant and partners to carry out the project; expectation for long-term water quality improvement or protection; consistency with remedial action plans and other regional water quality or watershed management plans approved by the department; commitments for financial and technical assistance; commitment to institutionalize and enforce practices.

Eligibility:

Eligible agencies included county or local units of government and non-profit agencies that could provide proof of a successful audit within 24 months of application.

Application Process:

A request for proposals process was used to solicit proposals for these grants.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications were selected for funding by the DEQ Director based on eligibility and criteria in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

N/A. No additional funding exists for this program.

Timelines:

Applicants had approximately 90 days to respond to the request for proposals.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

\$8 million was appropriated for these grants, all of which has been awarded. There was no minimum or maximum for proposals submitted.

Required Match:

The grants required a minimum 25% match.

Source(s) of Funds:

[Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond.

Authority:

Part 196, Section 19607(e) of Act 451 and administrative rules for the Clean Water Fund.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Nonpoint Source Unit, [Amy Peterson](#), 517-373-2037.

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Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

N/A.

Related Grants:

None.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

N/A.

Request for Proposals:

N/A. All funds originally appropriated for this category were awarded.

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Local Water Quality Monitoring Grants

Eligibility:

To provide funding to local governments and organizations to implement water quality monitoring projects throughout the state.

Goals of the Program:

The [collection of water quality data](#) that can be used to: support local decision-making; identify sources of pollution; identify emerging water quality issue; and generate local interest in water quality. Grantees may collect chemical, physical, and/or biological data as appropriate based on local issues and concerns.

Eligibility:

Local governments (city/townships), county health departments, tribal governments, watershed councils, and conservation districts, and academia.

Criteria:

- A clear statement of goals and objectives.
- A demonstrated ability to successfully carry out the project.
- The commitment to develop and follow quality assurance and quality control procedures.
- The amount of matching funds and/or in-kind services.

Application Process:

- Grant Application Packages are distributed.
- Applications are reviewed and projects selected.
- Applicants are notified.
- Contracts are awarded upon receipt of an acceptable work plan and budget.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the Department based on program priorities, criteria, and eligibility.

Deadlines:

Deadlines may vary from year to year based on funding priorities. Applicants will usually have 60 days to prepare and submit a grant application. Grant awards will be announced following Department review. The Department reserves 90 days for the review process.

Timelines:

In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 90 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

\$250,000 in Clean Michigan Initiative funds are generally available each fiscal year. There is no maximum or minimum amount for individual grants.

Required Match:

The grants require a minimum of 25% local match (can include in-kind services).

Source(s) of Funds:

[Clean Michigan Initiative](#) bond funds.

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Authority:

Section 8808 of 1994 P.A. 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office contact:

Water Resources Division, [Gary Kohlhepp](#), (517) 335-1289

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Dollar amounts available are subject to change on an annual basis.

Related Grants:

[Bathing Beach Monitoring Grants – Inland Beaches](#)

Recent Awards/Example Project:

The Bear Creek Inter-County Drain Board will track sources of bacteria in the Bear Creek watershed, a tributary to the Clinton River. Three stations will be monitored along Bear Creek, with approximately 150 samples collected during dry weather and 300 samples during wet weather. Samples will be analyzed for *E. coli*. A subset of these samples will be tested using bacterial source tracking methods, which can distinguish the origins of fecal contamination such as humans, birds, domestic animals, and wildlife.

Request for Proposals:

See the [Assessment of Michigan Waters](#) under Grants.

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Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Clean Michigan Initiative

Purpose:

To provide funding to implement the physical improvements in approved watershed management plans intended to restore impaired waters and protect high quality waters. Practices must address specific sources of [nonpoint source pollution](#) identified by Michigan's [Nonpoint Source Program Plan](#). Physical improvements are structural and vegetative best management practices.

Goals:

To restore waters impaired by nonpoint source pollution and protect high quality waters from degradation.

Criteria:

- Anticipated water quality benefit in relation to the costs.
- Ability of the applicant to carry out the project.
- Expected long-term water quality improvement or protection.
- Consistency with remedial action plans, if applicable, or the [approved watershed management plan](#).
- Project evaluation activities.
- Commitment for financial and technical assistance by project partners.

Eligibility:

Eligible agencies include county or local units of government and non-profit agencies. A DEQ-approved watershed plan is required to be eligible for these funds.

Application Process:

A request for proposals (RFP) is announced with a deadline for application. Eligible applicants can contact [DEQ Nonpoint Source staff](#) for grant application assistance. Prior to application, locally developed watershed management plans should be submitted to the DEQ for review and approval.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the DEQ Director based on priority and eligibility criteria in the grant application package. Also, those projects used to match the "Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants - Federal Clean Water Act Section 319" must be approved by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Deadlines:

Deadlines will be included in each request for proposals. Watershed management plans can be submitted for DEQ review at any time throughout the year, however, a deadline for such review may be included in the RFP in order for an application to be considered.

Timelines:

Applicants will have at least 60 days to respond. In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 180 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

Approximately \$1-\$2 million has been available most funding rounds. There is no maximum for proposals submitted. The minimum project amount is \$25,000.

Required Match:

These grants require a minimum 25% match. A 50% match is required for conservation easement projects.

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Source(s) of Funds:

[Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond.

Authority:

Part 196, Section 19607(e) of Act 451 and administrative rules for Nonpoint Source pollution control grants.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Nonpoint Source Unit, [Robert Sweet](#), 517-335-6967.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Remaining funds for this grant program are based on legislative appropriations. In fiscal year 2012, the DEQ anticipates awarding approximately \$1M in new grant awards.

Related Grants:

Projects to implement the physical improvements in DEQ-approved watershed management plans are often coordinated with federal [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#).

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See [fact sheets describing the results of completed Nonpoint Source grant projects](#)

Request for Proposals:

See the [most recent Nonpoint Source Program RFP](#).

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Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319

Purpose:

To provide funding to: 1) develop watershed management plans to restore impaired waters and protect high quality waters; and 2) implement nonpoint source activities identified in DEQ-approved watershed management plans. Plans and implementation activities must address specific sources of [nonpoint source pollution](#) identified by Michigan's [Nonpoint Source Program Plan](#).

Goals:

To restore waters impaired by nonpoint source pollution and protect high quality waters from degradation. This funding source provides for the implementation of physical improvements as well as information/education strategies, land use planning, the installation of easements and related activities.

Criteria:

- Anticipated water quality benefit in relation to the costs.
- Ability of the applicant to carry out the project.
- Expected long-term water quality improvement or protection.
- Consistency with [approved watershed management plan](#).
- Project evaluation activities.
- Commitment for financial and technical assistance by project partners.

Eligibility:

Eligible agencies include county or local units of government, state agencies and non-profit organizations. A DEQ-approved watershed plan is required to be eligible for implementation funds. All watershed management plans must be submitted to the DEQ for approval and must meet the [U.S. EPA's nine planning elements](#).

Application Process:

Request for proposals (RFP) is announced with a deadline for application. Eligible applicants can contact [DEQ Nonpoint Source staff](#) for grant application assistance. Prior to application for implementation projects, locally developed watershed management plans should be submitted to the DEQ for review and approval.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the DEQ Director and the Environmental Protection Agency based on eligibility and priority criteria described in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

Deadlines will be included in each request for proposals. Watershed management plans can be submitted for DEQ review at any time throughout the year.

Timelines:

Applicants will have a minimum of 60 days to respond. In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 180 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

Approximately \$3 million will be available each round of funding. There is no maximum for proposals submitted. The minimum amount is \$25,000.

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Required Match:

Watershed planning projects require a minimum 10% match. Most watershed implementation projects require a minimum 25% match. Conservation easement projects require a 50% match.

Source(s) of Funds:

Federal Clean Water Act Section 319.

Authority:

Federal Clean Water Act Section 319(h) and Federal Clean Water Act Section 604(b).

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Nonpoint Source Unit, [Robert Sweet](#), 517-335-6967.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

None.

Related Grants:

These grants are often coordinated with [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Clean Michigan Initiative](#), which are limited to implementing physical improvements in DEQ-approved watershed plans.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See [Fact sheets describing the results of completed Nonpoint Source grant projects](#)

Request for Proposals:

See the [most recent Nonpoint Source Program RFP](#).

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Scrap Tire Market Development Grants

Purpose:

To issue grants for projects that will result in the development of increased markets for scrap tires.

Goals of the Program:

To use available funding to promote increased markets for scrap tire material in order to ensure appropriate markets for this material exist in an effort to reduce the public health and environmental concerns associated with [scrap tires](#).

Eligibility:

The applicant's project must demonstrate new or increased uses of scrap tires in manufactured products, such as modified asphalt, molded or extruded rubber products, or aggregate replacement materials; or the project must be for the research and development of methods to increase the use of scrap tires. The project must be located in Michigan, and the applicant must be registered to do business in Michigan. Scrap tires must be purchased from a Michigan processor or other Michigan generator of scrap tires. The applicant must submit documentation of the property owner's permission for the applicant to do business at that location. The applicant must not be in litigation with the state or any other public entity concerning compliance with the Part 169, Scrap Tires, or Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994, PA 451, as amended. The applicant must first submit a **Letter of Interest, [Form EQP5154], and be approved** in order to submit a full application for funding. See [grant application](#) for full eligibility requirements.

Criteria:

Each letter of interest and full application will be evaluated by DEQ staff. The following descriptions of the criteria to be used are brief and designed to provide a general explanation of the criteria that will be considered: the amount of Michigan scrap tires to be used; the cost per scrap tire for the project; project must be feasible, market oriented and demonstrate viable markets for the proposed product; research and development grant applicants must provide data or other documentation to show that the project is for new research that will expand the market for scrap tires in Michigan, and must demonstrate commitment to the project through a business plan and investment. The applicant's overall compliance with Michigan environmental laws, rules, and regulations will be evaluated. Priority will be given to projects as outlined in the grant application package. See grant application for complete criteria.

Application Process:

- Submission of a completed, current Scrap Tire Market Development Letter of Interest.
- Letters of Interest are reviewed by DEQ for eligibility.
- Upon DEQ approval, submission of a completed, current Scrap Tire Market Development Grant Application package.
- Eligible applications are prioritized by the DEQ and grants are approved by the DEQ Director.
- Contracts are issued to the prioritized, eligible applicants, based on the amount of funds appropriated by the Legislature.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are approved for funding by the DEQ Director based on eligibility and criteria in the grant application package.

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Deadlines:

Grant deadlines are announced for each grant cycle, typically in September. The grant deadlines for Fiscal Year 2011 were:

- Letters of Interest for FY 2011 grants were due by 5:00 p.m. November 12, 2010.
- Those approved to submit full applications were required to do so by 5:00 p.m. February 4, 2011.

Timelines:

The application review and funding process generally takes about four months, with projects to be underway by spring. All projects funded must commence prior to September 30 of the fiscal year in which they are awarded, and must proceed in a continuous manner. Typical projects must be completed within 18 months of the start date.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Up to \$500,000 was available for FY2011 grants and it is anticipated that at least \$500,000 will be available for FY2012. Funding is contingent upon Legislative appropriation and all other necessary approvals.

Required Match:

Grants are available for up to 50% of the cost of purchasing equipment, or for research and development costs. The applicant must commit to at least 50% of the total project amount, in cash. In-kind services are not allowed as part of the match, but will be considered during the application evaluation process. Grants are also available for the cost of purchasing scrap tires. Reimbursement cannot exceed \$50 per ton.

Source(s) of Funds:

Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund.

Authority:

Part 169, Scrap Tires, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division and Contact(s):

Waste and Hazardous Materials Division/[Rhonda Oyer](#), 517-373-4750; [Becky Beauregard](#), 517-373-4738.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Year:

None.

Related Grants:

[Scrap Tire Cleanup Grants](#)

Recent Awards/Example Project:

Five grants totaling \$783,761 were awarded to Saginaw County in FY2011 to provide for the increased use of scrap tires in road projects. The Saginaw County Road Commission received funding for five projects to pay for up to 50 percent of the cost to reconstruct approximately 8 miles of road using ground tire rubber modified asphalt.

Request for Proposals/Application:

[Letter of Interest](#), and [Scrap Tire Market Development Grant Application for Funding](#) [Form EQP 5155]

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Scrap Tire Cleanup Grants

Purpose:

To assist property owners and local units of government with the proper removal of abandoned scrap tires and scrap tires at collection sites. Priority will be given to scrap tires accumulated prior to January 1, 1991, and to collection sites that pose an imminent threat to public health, safety, welfare, or the environment.

Goals of the Program:

To use available funding to maximize reduction of the public health and environmental concerns associated with [scrap tire](#) collection sites, while improving urban renewal and economic development opportunities.

Eligibility:

Any person may apply for funding to remove abandoned scrap tires or scrap tires accumulated at a collection site from their lands. In addition, the owner of a collection site, a local government agency with jurisdiction, a private entity with written authorization from the landowner, or an end-user with written authorization from the landowner, may apply for funding to remove abandoned scrap tires or scrap tires accumulated at a collection site. A local unit of government (county, township, city, or village) or nonprofit organization may also apply for a grant for: a cleanup day or resident drop-off day; removal of abandoned scrap tires on state and federal land or small piles of 500-1,000 scrap tires on privately-held land; or removal of scrap tires from road right-of-ways. See grant application for full eligibility criteria. See [grant application](#) for full eligibility criteria.

Criteria:

Scrap tires must have been abandoned or accumulated at a collection site, and the applicant must provide proof of property ownership. Priority will be given to scrap tires accumulated prior to January 1, 1991, and to collection sites that pose an imminent threat to public health, safety, welfare, or the environment. Scrap tires must be removed by a Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) approved Michigan scrap tire processor, processed, and delivered to an approved scrap tire material end-user. Approved processor(s) must be willing to accept a pre-determined fee from an approved grant recipient. This fee is established by the DEQ for each passenger and truck tire processed or on the equivalent tonnage. Owners of sites with scrap tires that were accumulated after 1991 must agree to placement of a lien on the property. See grant application for complete criteria.

Application Process:

- Submission of a complete, current Scrap Tire Collection Site Cleanup Grant application package.
- Application is reviewed by the DEQ for eligibility.
- Eligible applications are prioritized by the DEQ and grants are approved by the DEQ Director.
- Contracts are issued to the prioritized, eligible applicants, based on the amount of funds appropriated by the Legislature.

Nominating Procedures:

Grant applications are approved for funding by the DEQ Director based on eligibility and criteria in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

Grant deadlines are announced for each grant cycle, typically in September. The grant deadline for Fiscal Year 2011 was 5:00 pm, November 30, 2010.

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Timelines:

The application review and funding process generally takes about four months, with projects to be underway by spring. Projects generally must be completed by no later than the end of the fiscal year in which they were awarded.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

The amount available for Scrap Tire Cleanup Grants for FY 2011 was \$3,000,000, and it is anticipated a similar amount will be available for FY 2012, pending Legislative appropriation and all other necessary approvals. Recipients are eligible for reimbursement up to one dollar per passenger tire and up to five dollars per truck tire for each scrap tire approved for cleanup under the program. Recipients may be reimbursed an additional fifty cents for each tire mounted on a rim. Recipients have the option to be reimbursed on a per ton basis, not to exceed \$100 per ton and are not eligible for an additional rim reimbursement amount.

Required Match:

No monetary match is required. Applicants are responsible for loading scrap tires into the processor's collection vehicles.

Source(s) of Funds:

Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund.

Authority:

Part 169, Scrap Tires, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division and Office Contact(s):

Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, [Rhonda Oyer](#) 517-373-4750; [Becky Beauregard](#), 517-373-4738.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Year:

None.

Related Grants:

[Scrap Tire Market Development Grants](#)

Recent Awards/Example Project:

[FY2011 Scrap Tire Cleanup](#) Awarded Grants.

Request for Proposals/Application:

[Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant Application for Funding](#) [Form EQP5138(2)] .

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Small Business Pollution Prevention Revolving Loans

Purpose:

The [Small Business Pollution Prevention \(P2\) Loan Program](#) was established to provide eligible small businesses with low-interest loans to implement P2 projects. Projects may either be identified through a waste reduction assessment under the Retired Engineers Technical Assistance Program (RETAP) or by the loan applicant.

Goals of the Program:

To remove financing barriers for small businesses in Michigan by offering low-interest loans for projects that reduce waste, or conserve water or energy. The program provides an incentive for small businesses to initiate or expand on P2 activities in order to reduce waste, energy, and water usage and save money.

Criteria:

This financial assistance is available to any business that is independently owned and operated, is not dominant in its field, and employs 500 or fewer individuals. Projects considered for funding must meet the regulatory criteria for P2 (see "Eligibility" below). In addition, the applicant's lending institution must be willing to finance the project and participate with the DEQ in the loan. The maximum loan amount is \$400,000 with the DEQ contributing a maximum of \$200,000.

Eligibility:

To be eligible, a P2 project must reduce waste generated by the facility, reuse or recycle that waste in an environmentally sound way, or reduce water or energy usage. Although P2 recommendations from a RETAP assessment are considered eligible, a RETAP assessment is not a prerequisite; any business may apply directly for P2 project funding. Types of projects that may be funded include:

- Equipment or technology modifications.
- Process or procedure modifications.
- Redesign of products and substitution of raw materials.
- Improvement in housekeeping, maintenance, training, or inventory control.
- Certain energy efficiency or water conservation improvements.
- Agricultural energy production systems.

Application and Loan Disbursement Process:

- A qualifying small business (500 employees or less) applies for a loan directly to the lending institution.
- The lending institution makes a determination as to whether the business is creditworthy, in accordance with that institution's lending policies.
- The DEQ reviews the application (which is either submitted by the small business or lending institution) to determine whether it meets the loan program and eligibility requirements criteria.
- After the DEQ approves the project, it works closely with the lending institution to prepare the loan documents. The DEQ relies on the lending institution to structure the loan within the program's parameters: maximum loan amount of \$400,000, with interest rate not to exceed five percent.
- The total amount of the loan is shared equally by the lending institution and the P2 Loan Fund.
- The lending institution and DEQ sign a Lender Agreement that specifies responsibilities with regard to the loan participation; the borrower signs a Supplemental Agreement with the DEQ.
- The DEQ disburses its portion of the loan proceeds to the lending institution after an executed loan agreement between the lender and borrower is received by the DEQ. The lending institution receives loan repayments and remits DEQ's portion either monthly or quarterly.
- The lending institution remits principal payments back to the loan fund as it is repaid from the business.

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Filing Fees:

None charged by the DEQ. (There may be loan processing fees, as applicable, charged by the lending institutions, as part of processing the loans. These processing fees can be rolled into the loan if desired.)

Nominating Procedures:

Not applicable. (Loans are processed on a first come/first serve basis.) Loans are made to small businesses through an application process, based on eligibility and funding available.

Deadline(s):

None.

Timeline(s):

Projects are reviewed by the DEQ within 30 days of receipt, and the applicant is notified of the DEQ's determination within 14 days of completing the project eligibility review. Lending institutions must review applications for creditworthiness. The business must enter into a loan agreement with the lending institution within 90 days of the project eligibility determination, and the project must be initiated within 180 days after the loan agreement documents are signed. Within 90 days of project completion, the borrower submits a final report to the DEQ describing the P2 benefits attained, including a demonstration of the expected reduction in environmental waste, water, or energy usage.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

The loan fund has an initial allocation of \$5 million dollars. Additional funds will be available as repayments are received.

Required Match:

No match money is required from applicants (small businesses) in order to obtain loan funds. Participating lending institutions will provide 50 percent of the funds for each loan. The DEQ Small Business P2 Assistance Revolving Loan Fund will provide the other 50 percent of loan funds.

Source(s) of Funds:

State of Michigan, [Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond Fund – P2.

Authority:

Part 145, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended.

Responsible Division/Contact(s):

Office of Environmental Assistance, [Karen Edlin](#), 517-373-0604.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Loans are available on a first come, first serve basis.

Related Grants:

None.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

[Pollution Prevention Loan Recipients](#)

Request for Proposals:

Most recent or active relevant forms are located at: [P2 Loan Documents and Publications](#).

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State Revolving Fund Loans

Purpose:

The [State Revolving Fund](#) (SRF) provides low-interest loans for water pollution control projects.

Goals of the Program:

To assist municipalities in funding wastewater treatment system improvements, storm water treatment projects, and nonpoint source pollution control projects.

Eligibility:

Any city, village, township, county, or related authority as defined in Section 5301(h) of Part 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.

Criteria:

The requirements for this program are identified in Part 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, as well as Administrative Rules (R323.951- R323.965). Certain federal requirements also apply and are spelled out in Title VI of the federal Clean Water Act (P.L. 92-500, as amended). Primarily, applicants must present environmentally sound, cost effective water pollution control projects which are drawn from Project Priority Lists (PPLs) administered by the DEQ Resource Management Division.

Application Process:

- The municipality is first ranked on one of the PPLs by submitting a project plan to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- The municipality is included in the annual fundable range according to priority ranking and the level of fund lending capacity.
- The municipality submits plans and specifications for DEQ review.
- The municipality submits an application for assistance in accordance with the quarterly funding schedule.
- The municipality receives financial assistance upon satisfying program requirements through the application process.

Nominating Procedures:

After submitting a project plan and the project is ranked on one of the PPLs, projects in the fundable range are notified. A schedule is then developed that will lead to completion of the environmental review, submission of an application, award of an Order of Approval, and closure of the loan.

Deadlines:

The deadline for submission of a project plan to be included on the annual PPL is July 1. The deadline for the application for financial assistance is negotiated for each project dependent upon which quarter they will receive a binding commitment.

Timelines:

The time period may run approximately six months to several years from the time the project plan is submitted to receipt of assistance. From the time of actual application to receipt of assistance, the process may take as little as three months. Much is dependent upon available funds and the quality of municipal submissions.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Dependent on federal grant amount.

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Required Match:

No local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

The fund is capitalized with federal grant funds and a required 20% state match, as well as proceeds from the sale of Great Lakes Water Quality Bonds as authorized by the passage of Proposal 2 in November of 2002.

Authority:

Part 53 and Part 197, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994 and P.L. 92-500, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Resource Management Division, Revolving Loan Section, [Sonya Butler](#), Chief, 517-373-2161.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Since the fund “revolves”, it is intended to operate in perpetuity. Annual lending capacity will remain even if new federal/state capitalization ceases.

Related Programs:

[Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund](#) and [State Revolving Fund / Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund \(S2\) Grants](#)

Request for Proposals:

Municipalities can apply at any time by submitting a Project Plan.

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Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund Loans

Purpose:

The [Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund \(SWQIF\)](#) provides low-interest loans for water pollution control projects involving the on-site upgrade or replacement of failing septic systems or for the removal of groundwater or storm water from sanitary or combined sewer leads.

Goals of the Program:

To assist municipalities in funding wastewater treatment improvements that cannot qualify for assistance from the SRF.

Eligibility:

Any city, village, township, county, or related authority as defined in Section 5301(h) of Part 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.

Criteria:

The requirements for this program are identified in Parts 52 and 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, as well as Administrative Rules (R323.951- R323.965). Primarily, applicants must present environmentally sound, cost effective water pollution control projects which are drawn from Project Priority Lists (PPLs) administered by the DEQ Resource Management Division.

Application Process:

- A municipality is first ranked on the PPL by submitting a project plan to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- The municipality is included in the annual fundable range according to priority ranking.
- The municipality submits plans and specifications for DEQ review.
- The municipality submits an application for assistance in accordance with the quarterly funding schedule.
- The municipality receives financial assistance upon satisfying program requirements through the application process.

Nominating Procedures:

After submittal of a project plan and the project's ranking on the PPL, projects in the fundable range are notified. A schedule is then developed that will lead to completion of the environmental review, submission of an application, award of an Order of Approval, and closure of the loan.

Deadlines:

The deadline for submission of a project plan to be included on the annual PPL for loan funding is July 1. The deadline for the application for financial assistance is negotiated for each project dependent upon which quarter they will receive a binding commitment.

Timelines:

The time period may run approximately eight months to several years from the time the project plan is submitted to receipt of assistance. From the time of actual application to receipt of assistance, the process may take as little as three months. Much is dependent upon available funds and the quality of municipal submissions.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

It is estimated \$10-20 million in loan funds will be available annually.

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Required Match:

No local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

The fund is capitalized with proceeds (10%) from the sale of Great Lakes Water Bonds, which were authorized by the passage of Proposal 2 in November 2002.

Authority:

Parts 52 and 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Resource Management Division, Revolving Loan Section, [Sonya Butler](#), Chief, 517-373-2161.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Since the loan fund “revolves,” lending capacity will remain even if new state capitalization ceases.

Related Programs:

[State Revolving Fund](#) and [State Revolving Fund / Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund \(S2\) Grants](#)

Request for Proposals:

Municipalities can apply for loan funding at any time by submitting a project plan.

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State Revolving Fund / Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund (S2) Grants

Purpose:

To provide grants to communities for up to 90 percent of planning, design, and revenue system development costs for prospective State Revolving Fund (SRF) and Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund (SWQIF) applicants.

Goals of the Program:

To assist communities in completing an application for the SRF or SWQIF.

Eligibility:

Any city, village, township, county, or related authority as defined in Section 5301(h) of Part 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994.

Criteria:

The requirements for this program are identified in Acts 231 and 232 of 2010 and Parts 52 and 53, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended. Primarily, applicants must present environmentally sound, cost effective water pollution control projects.

Application Process:

- The municipality must first submit an application to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- The municipality's application is reviewed for eligibility within 60 days of its receipt.
- The municipality receives a grant award upon satisfying program requirements through the application process.

Nominating Procedures:

Not applicable.

Deadlines:

The deadline for submission of an application is quarterly, until the \$40 million runs out.

Timelines:

From the time of actual application to receipt of assistance, the process will take 60 days for review, approval/rejection and award. Much is dependent upon available funds and the quality of municipal submissions.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Maximum is a \$1 million dollars for each municipality.

Required Match:

10% local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

The grant funds are provided from the sale of Great Lakes Water Quality Bonds as authorized by the passage of Proposal 2 in November of 2002.

Authority:

Public Acts 231 and 232 of 2010 and Parts 52 and 53 and Part 197, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994 and P.L. 92-500, as amended.

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Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Resource Management Division, Revolving Loan Section, [Sonya Butler](#), Chief, 517-373-2161.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

Program continues until the \$40 million runs out.

Related Programs:

[State Revolving Fund](#)

[Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund.](#)

Request for Proposals:

Municipalities can [apply](#) starting September 1, 2011.

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Voluntary Storm Water Permits Grants

Purpose:

To provide funding to implement DEQ-approved water plans that were developed under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general wastewater discharge permit for storm water discharges from separate storm water drainage systems.

Goals:

To implement water quality protection or improvement activities in the DEQ-approved watershed plans.

Criteria:

Selection criteria was consistent with the Clean Water Fund Administrative rules and included: anticipated benefits related to the cost; ability of the applicant and partners to carry out the project; expectation for long-term water quality improvement or protection; consistency with remedial action plans and other regional water quality or watershed management plans approved by the department; commitments for financial and technical assistance; commitment to institutionalize and enforce practices.

Eligibility:

Eligible agencies included county or local units of government and non-profit agencies that could provide proof of a successful audit within 24 months of application.

Application Process:

A request for proposals (RFP) was announced with a deadline for application. Prior to application for implementation projects, locally developed watershed management plans were submitted to the DEQ for review and acceptance under the Storm Water program and approval under the CMI administrative rules.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications were selected for funding by the DEQ Director based on eligibility and criteria in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

The deadline was specified in the RFP.

Timelines:

Applicants had 60 days to respond. In general, applicants could expect to receive notification within 180 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

\$4.5 million was appropriated for these grants, most of which has been obligated. There was no minimum or maximum for proposals submitted.

Required Match:

The grants require a minimum 50% match.

Source(s) of Funds:

[Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond.

Authority:

Part 196, Section 19607(e) of Act 451 and administrative rules for the Clean Water Fund.

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Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Nonpoint Source Unit, [Amy Peterson](#), 517-373-2037.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

N/A.

Related Grants:

[Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Clean Michigan Initiative](#) and [Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Federal Clean Water Act Section 319](#).

Recent Awards/Example Project:

N/A.

Request for Proposals:

N/A.

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Volunteer River, Stream, and Creek Cleanup Grants

Purpose:

To provide funding to local units of government for volunteer cleanups of rivers, streams, and creeks to improve Michigan waterways.

Goals:

To clean up Michigan rivers, streams and creeks.

Criteria:

- The clarity and quality of the goals and objectives of the cleanup project.
- Level of volunteer commitment to carry out project.
- Quality and quantity of local match provided; match beyond the minimum 25% requirement will strengthen the proposal.
- The applicant's ability to successfully carry out the project.
- Applicant's budget request in relation to goals and objectives of project.
- Quality of project evaluation component.
- The length of time the applicant will commit to continue cleanup efforts after the grant expires (e.g. ongoing community event).

Eligibility:

Local units of government are eligible to receive grant funding. Eligible entities generally include county, city, township, and village agencies; watershed councils, regional planning agencies, and universities.

Application Process:

A request for proposals (RFP) is announced with a deadline for application. Eligible applicants can contact Laura Kaminski of the Great Lakes Commission, laurak@glc.org, phone 734-971-9135 for grant application assistance.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the DEQ Water Resources Division based on priority and eligibility criteria in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

Deadlines will be included in each request for proposals.

Timelines:

In general, applicants will have about 30 days to respond. In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 90 days of the application submittal deadline.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min. or Max):

Approximately \$25,000 annually is currently available. Funding may range from \$500-\$5,000 per grant.

Required Match:

These grants require a minimum 25% match.

Source(s) of Funds:

Michigan Water Quality Protection License Plate Fees (Public Act 74 of 2000).

Authority:

Executive Order #2003-15.

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Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Surface Water Assessment Section, Water Toxics Unit, [William F. Dimond](#),
[phone 517-241-9565](#)

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

None.

Related Grants:

None.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

[2011 VRSCCP Grant Awards](#)

Request for Proposals:

[VRSCCP 2011 RFP](#)

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Volunteer Stream Monitoring Grants

Purpose:

To provide funding to local units of government and non-profit entities for volunteer water quality monitoring of Michigan wadeable streams and rivers.

Goals:

To monitor the biological integrity and habitat of Michigan wadeable streams and rivers.

Criteria:

- Clarity and reasonableness of project description, goals and objectives.
- Plan for data use and education of the community.
- Watershed coverage/sampling design.
- Quality/past performance of the organization.
- Anticipated volunteer quantity and quality of recruitment and methods to retain volunteers.
- Location/watershed priority and links to other programs and projects.
- Useful partnerships, verified by letters of commitment.
- Plans to continue the project beyond the grant period.
- Quality of the evaluation plan.
- Cost reasonable for project scope, including 25% minimum matching funds.
- Likely to generate useful data for DEQ.

Eligibility:

Local units of government and not-for-profit entities are eligible to receive grant funding. Nonprofit entities are those exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Eligible entities generally include county, city, township, and village agencies; watershed and environmental action councils; universities; regional planning agencies; and incorporated not-for-profit organizations.

Application Process:

A request for proposals (RFP) is announced with a deadline for application. Eligible applicants can contact Dr. Paul Steen of the Huron River Watershed Council, psteen@hrwc.org, phone 734-769-5123 x601 for grant application assistance.

Nominating Procedure:

Grant applications are selected for funding by the DEQ Water Resources Division based on priority and eligibility criteria in the grant application package.

Deadlines:

Deadlines will be included in each request for proposals.

Timelines:

In general, applicants will have at 30-45 days to respond. In general, applicants can expect to receive notification within 90 days of the application submittal deadline.

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Dollar Amounts Available:

Up to \$50,000 is annually available. A \$10,000 portion of the \$50,000 total has been set aside for start-up grants. Funding of individual grants is not limited within the total annual funds available, except that multiple start-up grant funding is expected in the \$1,000 to \$3,000 range.

Required Match:

These grants require a minimum 25% match.

Source(s) of Funds:

Clean Michigan Initiative Clean Water Fund.

Authority:

Executive Order #2003-15.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Water Resources Division, Surface Water Assessment Section, Water Toxics Unit, [William F. Dimond](#), phone 517-241-9565.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

None.

Related Grants:

None.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

[2011 Volunteer Stream Monitoring Projects](#)

Request for Proposals (RFP):

An RFP will be available in 2012 and posted at the [Michigan Clean Water Corps Web site](#).

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Waterfront Redevelopment Grants

Purpose:

Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) Waterfront Redevelopment Grants provided funding to local units of government to revitalize waterfront properties. The program was established to increase public access to the waterfront and support economic development in areas where historic industrial and manufacturing activities left behind vacant buildings and potentially contaminated waterfront property. Grants have also been awarded to assist in the restoration of historic structures open to the public, such as lighthouses and weather stations.

Goals of the Program:

The objective of the Waterfront Redevelopment Grant program was to revitalize waterfronts, create new jobs and stimulate private investment, increase property values, and provide waterfront access for the public.

Criteria:

Proposed projects must be included in a locally approved waterfront redevelopment plan. The plan must include a description of how the project would significantly contribute to the local economy and community redevelopment or the revitalization of adjacent neighborhoods, and how the project would provide for increased public access to the waterfront or provide recreational opportunities for the public.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Minimum or Maximum):

Grant awards were contingent upon availability of funds and the terms and conditions of the Clean Michigan Initiative.

Eligibility:

Any local unit of government, including a county, city, village, township, or an agency of a county, city, village, or township, or an authority or other public body created by or pursuant to state law was eligible. The applicant was required to submit a locally approved waterfront redevelopment plan along with an application for a project identified in the plan. Grants could not be used for land or facilities that would be owned or operated by a gaming facility, a stadium or arena used by a professional sports team, or a private or municipal marina. Eligible activities included:

- Environmental response activities on waterfront property consistent with a waterfront redevelopment plan.
- Demolition of buildings and other facilities along a waterfront that are not consistent with a waterfront redevelopment plan.
- Acquisition of waterfront property or the assembly of waterfront property consistent with a waterfront redevelopment plan.
- Public infrastructure and facility improvements to waterfront property consistent with a waterfront redevelopment plan.

Application Process:

Applications are no longer being accepted. The funding for this grant program has been exhausted.

Filing Fees:

None.

Nominating Procedures:

The DEQ Director and the Chief Executive Officer of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation made joint decisions to award grants.

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Deadlines:

Applications are no longer being accepted.

Required Match:

A minimum local government match of 25 percent of the project cost was required. The local match could be from other public or private sources, including non-state of Michigan grants, local general fund, or private donations. In-kind donations of services were not accepted as match, but donations of property and materials were acceptable.

Source(s) of Funds:

[Clean Michigan Initiative](#) Bond Fund.

Authority:

Part 795, Waterfront Revitalization and Part 196 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Responsible Division/Office Contact:

Remediation Division, Brownfield Redevelopment Program, 517-373-9540.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

There is currently no plan for future grant applications or funding.

Related Grants:

The Brownfield Redevelopment Program includes [CMI Brownfield Redevelopment Grants](#), [CMI Brownfield Redevelopment Loans](#), [Revitalization Revolving Loans](#), [Site Assessment Fund Grants](#), [Site Reclamation Grants](#) and Tax Increment Financing pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

Click here for a list of [recently awarded brownfield grants and loan projects](#).

Request for Proposals:

Applications are no longer being accepted.

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Wellhead Protection Grants

Purpose:

To provide funding to community public water supplies and nonprofit noncommunity public water supplies for the development and implementation of [wellhead protection](#) (WHP) programs. A wellhead protection area represents the surface and subsurface area within a ten-year time of travel for groundwater surrounding a water well or well field.

Goals of the Program:

To provide incentives and financial assistance for development and implementation of WHP programs and management strategies.

Criteria:

Funding is provided to successful applicants for development and implementation of WHP programs. Contract requirements include:

- Development of a local WHP team.
- Meeting minimum eligibility requirements.
- Completion of grant eligible activities as specified in the administrative rules.

Eligibility:

Applicant must be a community public water supply or a non-profit noncommunity water supply.

Application Process:

Contracts are authorized annually by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) based on a priority list score and fund available basis.

Nominating Procedures:

None.

Deadlines:

Contracts are effective for one fiscal year.

Timelines:

Contract applications are due on a date to be determined and contracts will be awarded at the beginning of the fiscal year. Funding recommendations are made to the Director of the Resource Management Division.

Dollar Amount(s) Available (Min or Max):

Approximately one half million dollars is available annually.

Required Match:

50 percent local match is required.

Source(s) of Funds:

Set aside funds for WHP from the Michigan Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund.

Authority:

State of Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, Act 399 PA 1976, as amended.

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Responsible Division/Office Contact(s):

Resource Management Division, Drinking Water and Environmental Health Section, [Jason Berndt](#)
517-241-4796.

Phase-out/Expansion/Changes for Next Fiscal Year:

None.

Related Grants:

None.

Recent Awards/Example Project:

See [Wellhead Protection](#) Web site under Grants.

Request for Proposals:

See [Wellhead Protection](#) Web site under Grants.