



COON CREEK
WATERSHED DISTRICT

**CCWD Water Quality
Cost Share Program**

2025 Draft RFP

Nov 14, 2024 - TAC Meeting



WQ Cost Share Program Overview

- **Purpose:** Support implementation of water quality restoration & protection projects consistent with CCWD TMDL/WRAPS that go above and beyond any permit requirements
- 50% of total project cost, up to max award
 - 2019-23: \$75-100K available
 - 2024: \$215,000 (added new cost share categories)
 - **2025: \$290,000**
- Since 2019, funded 24 projects by 6 cities totaling \$606,498 (avg ~\$25K)



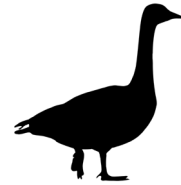
Past Funded Projects & Practices

Structural BMPs

- Storm pond expansions
- Infiltration basins
- Hydrodynamic separators
- Buffer establishment
- Permeable Pavement
- Sump Retrofits
- Impervious Reduction
- Culvert Enhancements

Non-Structural Practices

- Goose control
- Sanitary I&I investigation & incentives



Specialty Software & Equipment

- PreCise fleet tracking
- DTN ClearPath Weather
- Joma Blades
- Trommel Screeners
- Leaf Vacuum
- Salt Calibration Scale



Apex Pond (Fridley)



Foley Blvd Enhancement
(Coon Rapids)



Stormcrete (Blaine)



CRDRP Bridge Upgrade
(Anoka Co Parks)



New in 2024 based on TAC feedback

- Webpage: <https://www.cooncreekwd.org/ourgrants/>; Fillable PDF applications w/ eSignature
- Two new cost share categories in addition to existing general projects & practices category
 1. Street Sweeping Enhancements
 2. WQ Improvement Planning/Feasibility
- Maximum award increased from \$50,000 to \$75,000 (or 50% of project costs, whichever is less)
- Local units of government may serve as the grantee on behalf of private entities and individuals with prior approval from the District



Proposed Changes for 2025– seeking TAC feedback

Keep:

- Simple application forms, agreements, reporting requirements
- 2-yr implementation window
- Semiannual application deadlines in winter and summer
- Cost share categories (general, sweeping, planning)
- Maximum award at \$75,000
- Eligible applicants

Proposed Changes:

- Budget increased to \$290,000
 - General: \$125,000
 - Enhanced Sweeping: \$150,000
 - Planning: \$15,000
- If funds remain after Feb awards, combine balances for second round
- Minor changes to enhanced sweeping scoring criteria
- Application Deadlines: February 7 & July 25, 2025
- Other?

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**CCWD Water Quality Cost Share Program Grant Application-
Water Quality Improvement Projects & Practices Category**

Applicant Information	
Name, Title	
Organization	
Address	
Email	
Phone	

Project Information- Be clear & concise; attach additional pages if necessary	
Title	
Brief Description	
What?	
Where?	
Why?	
Proposed Timeline	
Water Quality Outcomes	
Target pollutant/ stressor(s)?	
Volume, Sediment, Nutrients, Bacteria, Habitat, Other	
Receiving waters?	
*Please quantify reductions when possible & cite method	



Enhanced Sweeping

Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points Possible
<p>Description: Clear, concise description of proposed activity/ equipment. Water Quality Improvement is the primary purpose of the proposal.</p>	3
<p>Water quality outcomes: Clear articulation of how the proposal will result in additional water quality benefits compared to baseline sweeping activities.</p> <p>Scoring based on magnitude of pollutant removals in the following order of preference: 1) strategic targeting/optimization of effort (cost-effectiveness), 2) increased in-house capacity/effort, 3) increased effort with contracted sweeping, 4) record-keeping improvements increasing eligible credits.</p> <p>Projects consistent with recommendations in the 2024 CCWD sweeping crediting & enhancement study receive priority; no points given if proposal supplants existing baseline sweeping efforts</p>	18
<p>Long-term benefits: Proposals that reduce existing barriers to enhanced sweeping and with multi-year benefits (e.g., equipment upgrades, materials management improvements) score better than those resulting in single season benefits.</p>	9
<p>TOTAL POSSIBLE PROJECT SCORE</p>	30

Examples of Eligible Proposals

- Equipment purchase/ upgrades (regenerative air sweepers, leaf vacuums, trommel screener, broom-on GPS tracking retrofits)
- Increased in-house sweeping capacity
- Targeted supplemental contract sweeping
- Materials management improvements that increase future sweeping capacity



Comments?

Questions?

Schedule a pre-app meeting?

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WQ Improvement Planning/ Feasibility

Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points Possible
<p>Project Description: Clear, concise description of proposed work (what, when, where, why). Water quality improvement is the primary purpose of the proposed planning work.</p>	3
<p>Water quality outcomes: Clear articulation of how the proposed work will facilitate water quality benefits above and beyond normal operations or mandates.</p> <p>Priority is given in the following order: planning work that facilitates addressing 1) TMDL WLAs, 2) TMDL LAs and non-pollutant stressors to aquatic life impairments, 3) chloride reductions, 4) protection of high-quality unimpaired waters</p> <p>Planning/feasibility work that addresses multiple pollutants, strategic targeting, large-scale regional projects, or implementation strategies specifically identified in the CCWD WRAPS implementation table receives priority.</p> <p>Extra points for work addressing stated secondary benefits such as flood mitigation.</p>	20
<p>Project Readiness/Timing: Priority given to time-sensitive work that helps facilitate projects with a limited implementation window (e.g., as part of a planned municipal reconstruction).</p>	7
TOTAL POSSIBLE PROJECT SCORE	30

Examples of Eligible Proposals

- Modeling BMP scenarios for proposed work above and beyond permit requirements
- Development of concept designs
- Feasibility/Geotechnical analyses
- Pollutant source investigations and mitigation planning

