



SOUTH WASHINGTON WATERSHED DISTRICT

Coordinated Capital Improvements Program (CCIP) 2026 Request for Proposals

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

As a result of developing and implementing its water resource management plan, working with local government units within the watershed on local water plans and capital projects, and carrying out its permitting program, the South Washington Watershed District (District) is aware of the challenges posed to sound, comprehensive surface water management by existing urban development. Existing development and impervious surface within the watershed constructed at an earlier time may not have applied due attention to minimizing and managing stormwater impacts under pre-existing regulatory conditions. While stormwater management in these areas may be improved through redevelopment and retrofit projects, space and available options often are constrained and measures may be expensive.

To facilitate improved stormwater management in existing developed areas, the District administers a Coordinated Capital Improvement Program (CCIP) to provide financial assistance to local land use and public works authorities for projects that benefit District water resources by directly improving water quality and/or the resilience of systems and resources that impact water quality. The CCIP seeks to:

- Facilitate exploration of water quality improvement opportunities by local government units within the District and incorporate those opportunities into routine infrastructure operation and maintenance projects;
- Promote collaboration between local partners and SWWD on water quality improvement, flood control, and climate resilience efforts as elements of capital improvement plans;
- Foster stormwater management innovation and create demonstration and education examples;
- Reduce chloride use throughout the District while improving de-icing and anti-icing operations;
- Defray local costs in the broader, watershed-wide interest of improving water quality; and,
- Promote actions to increase the resiliency of the District's natural resources and infrastructure.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2026 project funding cycle. Approved projects must be complete before December 31, 2028. Grants may be awarded for up to 50% of the total project cost. CCIP grants are funded by District stormwater utility fees. Up to \$650,000 in CCIP funds are available for projects in the South Washington Management Unit for 2025. Limited CCIP funding is available in the Lower St. Croix and East Mississippi Management Units (see map on page 2). Contact SWWD staff for more detailed information about available funding in these areas.

ELIGIBILITY

Local government agencies, school districts, non-profit organizations, and businesses within the SWWD are eligible to apply for funding through this program.

Submitted applications must include stormwater capital improvements or infrastructure maintenance projects. New and redevelopment projects must provide stormwater treatment in excess of what is required by SWWD rules and standards to be eligible for consideration.

Applicants located within SWWD's Lower St. Croix and East Mississippi Management Units are encouraged to contact SWWD staff for further discussion and planning.

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be evaluated by SWWD's staff and Citizen Advisory Committee to determine overall water quality benefit and proposals will be ranked based on their estimated costs and benefits. Funding allocation decisions are expected to be made by the SWWD Board of Managers at its April Board meeting. The SWWD Board reserves the right to approve, deny, or offer partial funding to any application. Submittal of an application, regardless of funding availability, does not guarantee acceptance into the program or an offer of funds by the SWWD.

All grants will be awarded contingent on approval following SWWD development review. Project designs must meet all SWWD standards and follow guidance provided in the SWWD standards manual. Development review applications for CCIP-funded projects must include a maintenance plan for SWWD review. Successful grantees will be required to execute a grant agreement with SWWD. Grant funding will be released on a reimbursement basis following completion of the project and submission of a final report to SWWD consisting of a brief narrative, project photos, record drawings (if applicable) and an itemized invoice and supporting documentation detailing all project costs. Staff may request additional information during the grant reimbursement process as needed on a case-by-case basis.

QUESTIONS

For more information, please contact Kyle Axtell, SWWD Watershed Project Manager at 651-728-6124 or kyle.axtell@swwdmn.gov.

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