

FUNDING PROFILE
SRBC

CONSUMPTIVE USE MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM



SUMMARY

The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) offers grants for the implementation of innovative pilot projects that improve availability and watershed resiliency during critical low flow periods and droughts throughout the Susquehanna River Basin.

- Administered by SRBC; created in 2021
- Total annual funding: \$4-6 million
- Source of funding: SRBC (Consumptive Use Mitigation Fee payments)

FEATURES

Projects focus on mitigating the impacts of consumptive use – water that is used but not returned to the river basin – during low flow/drought events.

Supports projects that enhance supply (e.g. inactive quarries, underground mine pools), conserve, reuse or recycle water, and support the resiliency of resources (stream and floodplain restoration, stormwater management, groundwater recharge).

Individual projects will be funded at \$100,000 or more; 3 year project duration.

ELIGIBILITY

Who is Eligible?

SRBC project sponsors, government agencies, colleges and universities, and 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations within the Susquehanna River Basin. Projects in adjacent basins may be eligible if the mitigation will benefit the Susquehanna.

Eligible Costs

Grant covers a variety of project costs including acquisition of land, green infrastructure stormwater management practices, planning/permitting, technical assistance, monitoring, O&M costs, and education.

Match: Minimum 10% cash match, but higher amounts will be considered in evaluation.

HELPFUL TIPS

See the [program guidelines](#) for a map of priority watersheds for consumptive use mitigation.

Proposed stormwater management projects must provide increased groundwater recharge, improve water quality, and/or reduce localized flooding.

Proposed floodplain restoration projects must demonstrate water quality improvements while reducing downstream flooding.

HOW TO APPLY

Application Period: Nov. 1, 2023 – Jan. 31, 2024

[Grant website](#)

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