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June 23, 2022

Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Approval of a Grant Application by Water Environment Services to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, National Coastal Resilience Fund for Construction of the 3-Creeks Floodplain Enhancement Project. Total grant request amount is $3,800,000.
No County General Funds are involved.

Purpose/Outcome	Approval of a Grant Application by Water Environment Services to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Coastal Resilience Fund for Construction of the 3-Creeks Floodplain Enhancement Project. No County General Funds are involved.
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	The Grant Request is $3,800,000 to support construction of stream and floodplain restoration elements of the project.
Funding Source	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's National Coastal Resilience grant funds. No County General Funds are involved.
Duration	Grant agreement would be effective through December 2026.
Previous Board Action/Review	This item presented at Issues on June 21, 2022.
Strategic Plan Alignment	This project supports the County's Strategic Priorities to: • Honor, Utilize, Promote and Invest in our Natural Resources • Build a Strong Infrastructure, specifically that *County residents and businesses - where served - have access to safe and affordable infrastructure: multimodal transportation including roads, sewer and broadband services* The project supports WES's strategic result that 30% of streams within WES' jurisdiction meet or exceed water quality standards
Counsel Review	Review Date: N/A Counsel:
Procurement Review	1. Was the item processed through Procurement? yes ☐ no ☒ 2. If no, provide brief explanation: Item is a grant application
Contact Person	Ron Wierenga, WES Assistant Director, 503-742-4581
Contract No.	N/A

BACKGROUND:
Clackamas Water Environment Services (WES) is interested in pursuing a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund grant for construction of the 3-

Creeks Floodplain Enhancement Project. WES would like to submit an application requesting $3,800,000 in NCRF funding for the 3-Creeks Project.

The 3-Creeks Natural Area is an approximately 80-acre regional natural area marked by the confluence of Mt. Scott, Phillips, and Dean Creeks in Northern Clackamas County. It includes a large flood control facility, wetlands, uplands, open space areas, and related facilities. The flood control structure consists of an active flow-control gate system and a large passive storage pool that can fill during large rainfall events and inundate much of the site. WES has been working with a consultant team to evaluate options to optimize the existing flow control system and restore the creek and floodplain within the natural area. The goals for optimization and restoration of the 3-Creeks Natural Area are to help protect downstream areas from flooding during the long rainy season and enhance seasonal stream and floodplain habitat for aquatic species. The proposed adjustments will also improve water quality and increase wetland habitat, making the natural area a better home for wildlife.

WES has allocated capital funds for completion of the flow control structure modifications and a portion of the natural area restoration. If awarded, the NFWF funding would be used to expand on the proposed project, and complete the design and construction of the stream restoration and floodplain enhancement. If NFWF funding is not awarded, WES will continue with the original restoration project and look for other funding options to maximize the opportunities of this site at a later date.

WES submitted an informal pre-proposal to NFWF on April 21, 2022 and was invited to submit a full application. If approved then WES will submit the grant application via the online portal by the due date of June 30, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:
WES staff recommends the Board, acting as the governing body of Water Environment Services, approve the Grant Application by Water Environment Services to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, National Coastal Resilience Fund for Construction of the 3-Creeks Floodplain Enhancement Project.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Wierenga, Assistant Director
Water Environment Services

Financial Assistance Application Lifecycle Form

Use this form to track your potential award from conception to submission.
Sections of this form are designed to be completed in collaboration between department program and fiscal staff.

** CONCEPTION **

Section I: Funding Opportunity Information - To be completed by Requester

Award type: Direct Appropriation (no application)

Subrecipient Award   Direct Award

Lead Department & Fund: _____

Award Renewal?   Yes   No

If renewal, complete sections 1, 2, & 4 only. If Direct Appropriation, complete page 1 and Dept/Finance signatures only.

If Disaster or Emergency Relief Funding, EOC will need to approve prior to being sent to the BCC

Name of Funding Opportunity: _____

Funding Source: Federal   State   Local

Requestor Information (Name of staff person initiating form): _____

Requestor Contact Information: _____

Department Fiscal Representative: _____

Program Name and prior project # (please specify): _____

Brief Description of Project:

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Name of Funding Agency: _____

Agency's Web Address for funding agency Guidelines and Contact Information:

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OR

Application Packet Attached: Yes   No

Completed By: _____
                                                                    Date

** NOW READY FOR SUBMISSION TO DEPARTMENT FISCAL REPRESENTATIVE **

Section II: Funding Opportunity Information - To be completed by Department Fiscal Rep

Competitive Application   Non-Competing Application   Other

CFDA(s), if applicable: _____	Funding Agency Award Notification Date: _____
Announcement Date: _____	Announcement/Opportunity #: _____
Grant Category/Title: _____	Max Award Value: _____
Allows Indirect/Rate: _____	Match Requirement: _____
Application Deadline: _____	Other Deadlines: _____
Award Start Date: _____	Other Deadline Description: _____
Award End Date: _____	
Completed By: _____	Program Income Requirement: _____
Pre-Application Meeting Schedule: _____	

Additional funding sources available to fund this program? Please describe: _____

How much General Fund will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses? _____

How much Fund Balance will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses? _____

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Section III: Funding Opportunity Information - **To be completed at Pre-Application Meeting by Dept Program and Fiscal Staff**

Mission/Purpose:
1. How does the grant/funding opportunity support the Department and/or Division's Mission/Purpose/Goals?

2. What, if any, are the community partners who might be better suited to perform this work?

3. What are the objectives of this funding opportunity? How will we meet these objectives?

4. Does the grant/financial assistance fund an existing program? If yes, which program? If no, what is the purpose of the program?

Organizational Capacity:
1. Does the organization have adequate and qualified staff? If no, can staff be hired within the grant/financial assistance funding opportunity timeframe?

2. Are there partnership efforts required? If yes, who are we partnering with and what are their roles and responsibilities?

3.If this is a pilot project, what is the plan for sunsetting the project and/or staff if it does not continue (e.g. making staff positions temporary or limited duration, etc.)?

4. If funded, would this grant/financial assistance create a new program, does the department intend for the program to continue after initial funding is exhausted? If yes, how will the department ensure funding (e.g. request new funding during the budget process, supplanted by a different program, etc.)?

Collaboration

1. List County departments that will collaborate on this award, if any.

Reporting Requirements

1. What are the program reporting requirements for this grant/funding opportunity?

2. How will performance be evaluated? Are we using existing data sources? If yes, what are they and where are they housed? If not, is it feasible to develop a data source within the grant timeframe?

3. What are the fiscal reporting requirements for this funding?

Fiscal

1. Will we realize more benefit than this financial assistance will cost to administer?

2. Are other revenue sources required, available or will be used to fund the program? Have they already been secured? Please name other sources, including General Fund or Fund Balance and amounts.

3. For applications with a match requirement, how much is required (in dollars) and what type of funding will be used to meet it (CGF, In-kind, Local Grant, etc.)?

4. Does this grant/financial assistance cover indirect costs? If yes, is there a rate cap? If no, can additional funds be obtained to support indirect expenses and what are those sources?

Program Approval:

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

** NOW READY FOR PROGRAM MANAGER SUBMISSION TO DIVISION DIRECTOR**

ATTACH ANY CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE FUNDING AGENCY. COUNTY FINANCE OR ADMIN WILL SIGN.

Section IV: Approvals

DIVISION DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)

Ronald E Wierenga

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

FINANCE ADMINISTRATION

Elizabeth Comfort

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

EOC COMMAND APPROVAL *(DISASTER OR EMERGENCY RELIEF APPLICATIONS ONLY)*

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

Section V: Board of County Commissioners/County Administration

(Required for all grant applications. If your grant is awarded, all grant __awards__ must be approved by the Board on their weekly consent agenda regardless of amount per local budget law 294.338.)

For applications less than $150,000:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR   Approved: Denied:

Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

For applications greater than $150,000 or which otherwise require BCC approval:

BCC Agenda item #: [   ]   Date: [   ]

OR

Policy Session Date: [   ]

County Administration Attestation

County Administration: re-route to department contact when fully approved.
Department: keep original with your grant file.

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