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**Colorado Water
Conservation Board**

Department of Natural Resources

FUNDING PROGRAMS

With a mission to conserve, develop, protect and manage Colorado's water for present and future generations, the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) was created to provide policy direction on water issues. To further its mission and advance the Colorado Water Plan, CWCB provides financial assistance to water providers and other eligible entities in Colorado through loans and grants for a variety of water-related projects, studies, awareness campaigns, and other activities.



WATER PROJECT LOANS

Provides subsidized loans for the design and construction of water supply projects. Eligible projects include new construction or rehabilitation of existing water storage and delivery facilities, such as: reservoirs, ditches & canals, pipelines, river diversion structures, water rights purchases and hydropower.

WATER PLAN GRANTS

Provides financial assistance for a range of projects. Grant categories include water storage & supply, conservation & land use, engagement & innovation, agricultural, and watershed health & recreation. Preference is given to projects that have multiple benefits, multiple purposes, and involve multiple stakeholders.

WATER SUPPLY RESERVE FUND GRANTS

Provides grants to assist Colorado water users in addressing their critical raw water supply issues and interests. Requests for funds must first be approved by one of Colorado's nine basin roundtables and are then forwarded onto the CWCB for final funding decisions. Contact local basin roundtables for application deadlines.

TURF REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Funds to eligible entities (municipalities, utilities, nonprofits, etc.) to create or advance local rebate programs or identify site-specific turf removal projects to maximize water savings. CWCB also co-manages the Transformative Landscape Change Challenge to demonstrate waterwise landscape conversions.

Learn more or apply online: cwcb.colorado.gov/funding



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FUNDING PROGRAMS, CONT.

PROJECTS BILL GRANTS

Funds water-related projects or studies of statewide impact or importance and feasibility studies and projects designed to address statewide, region-wide or basin-wide water issues. Funding is limited.

AGRICULTURAL EMERGENCY DROUGHT RESPONSE

Provides grants for emergency drought-related water augmentation purposes to Colorado's agricultural water users. To apply, organizations must be located in areas where a disaster emergency has been proclaimed.

WEATHER MODIFICATION PROGRAM GRANTS

Provides state grants to water providers and local governments to assist in funding aerial- and ground-based winter operational cloud seeding programs. This program is only available to existing permitted cloud seeding programs. Ski areas are not currently eligible for cloud seeding grants even if they do participate in an existing permitted cloud seeding program.

PUBLIC EDUCATION, PARTICIPATION, AND OUTREACH GRANTS

Provides grant funding for two categories: Basin Coordinators, designated by each of the nine basin roundtables to support and implement basin-specific education and outreach efforts and Statewide Initiatives, which support statewide education and outreach initiatives that strengthen multi-basin collaboration, and align with Water Plan priorities.



This flyer features only a portion of the CWCB funding programs available. To view the full list, check specific application deadlines or apply online visit: cwcbs.colorado.gov/funding, or scan the code.