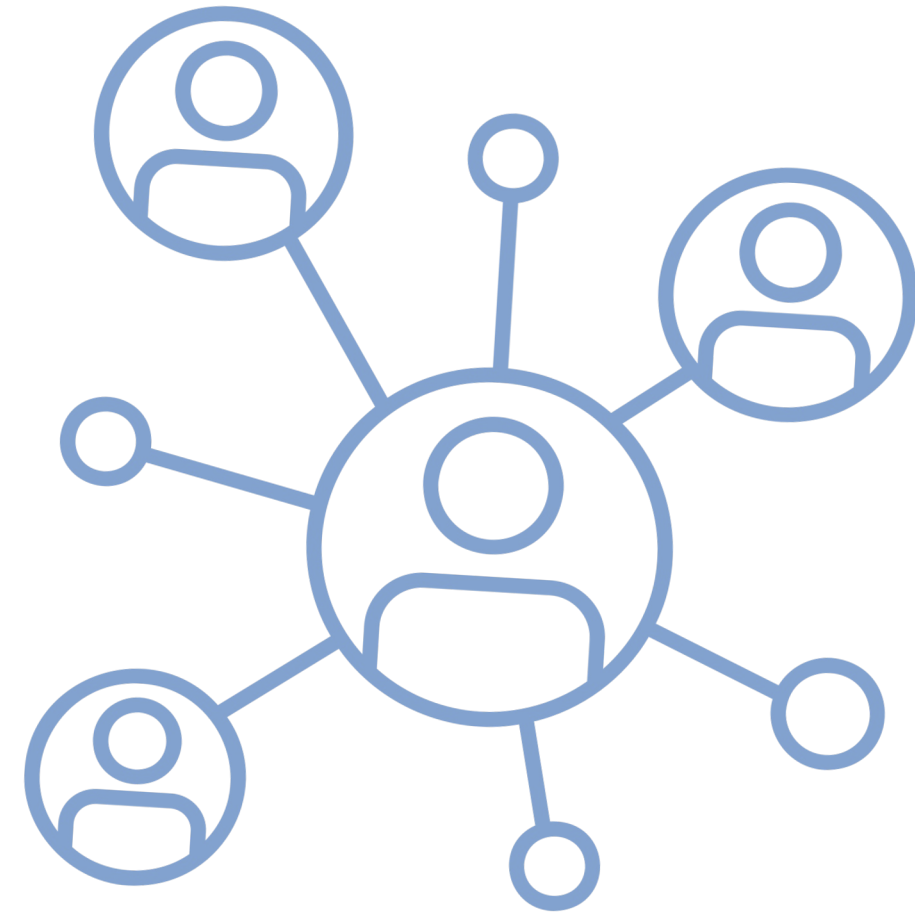


WaterNow works to advance transformation in the urban water sector to accelerate the widespread adoption of equitable, climate resilient and environmentally sustainable strategies.

We do this as a national network for local water leaders and decision makers, empowering them with the technical assistance, resources, and tools they need to implement innovative One Water drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater solutions in their communities.

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WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk

- Water & Energy Efficiency Grant (WEEG)
- Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects (SWEP)
- Environmental Water Resources Projects (EWRP)
- Drought Resiliency Projects (DRP)
- Planning and Project Design Grant (PPDG)
- Water Conservation Field Services Program (WCFSP)
- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Projects (AERP)
- Cooperative Watershed Management Program (CWMP)



No-Cost, Hands-On Assistance to Apply for WaterSMART Funding Opportunities From WaterNow Alliance

WaterNow supports **Colorado** communities navigate WaterSMART grants and get their applications across the finish line through our **WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk!** As part of our mission, we strive to help serve under-resourced and mid-sized communities identify avenues of additional financial support to advance their sustainable water priorities and projects.

We currently provide **free** application support for the 8 WaterSMART funding opportunities that align with our work (listed below). These WaterSMART grants can fund planning or implementation projects for local water providers focused on sustainable and resilient water management.

WaterNow provides pro-bono support for:

- Water and Energy Efficiency Grants
- Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects
- Environmental Water Resource Projects
- Drought Resiliency Planning
- Planning and Project Design Grants
- Water Conservation Field Services Program
- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Projects
- Cooperative Watershed Management Program

WaterNow's Support Services Include:

- 1-on-1 call to discuss grant opportunities and to strategize next steps
- Targeted research tasks related to your application
- Guidance on USBR grant submission processes
- Fillable application templates
- Detailed review of your application
- And more! We'll work with you to determine what kind of support would be most useful to your utility or organization

**Please note that WaterNow is not able to write WaterSMART applications.*

WaterNow has helped CO communities access over **\$8 million** in USBR funding, totaling over **\$24 million** towards sustainable water projects.

Visit our website to learn more about our [WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk!](#)

Ready for assistance with your application? Complete this [Google Form](#) and we'll be in touch!

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WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk

- 30 minute 1-on-1 calls to discuss available grant opportunities and strategize next steps
- Guidance on the USBR grant submission process
- Targeted research tasks related to your application
- Application templates that follow the Notice of Funding Opportunity
- Detailed review of your application (*Please note that WaterNow is not able to write WaterSMART application on behalf of a community at this time*)
- And more! We'll work with you to determine what kind of support would be most useful to your organization

If you are interested in applying to a WaterSMART funding opportunity and would like WaterNow's assistance, fill out [this short form](#) and we'll be in touch.



WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk

Quick Facts

- Program has supported Colorado communities for **4 years**
- Supported dozens of communities navigating the WaterSMART grant application process resulting in **14 successful applications**, to date
- Over **\$8M in USBR funding** and totaling to over **\$24M in total project cost** for sustainable water projects



WaterSMART Grant Application Support & Help Desk

Case Studies

✓ The **City of Alamosa** received \$500,000 in WEEG funding in FY23 to upgrade the irrigation system for the Cattails Golf Course. These upgrades included installation of a sprinkler system with adjustable nozzles, individual head controls, and weather-related sensors. The project is expected to result in annual water savings of 1,146 AF. The project also includes the installation of a Grande system and further

✓ The **City of Aspen** received \$75,000 in SWEF funding in FY21 to add an irrigation efficiency rebate to its existing water efficiency programming. The city will offer rebates to customers who have completed an irrigation assessment, for integration of smart controllers, conversion to drip irrigation and high efficiency sprinkler heads, and replacement of turf with low water use plants. This rebate program will result in annual water savings of 1,146 AF and improve overall water supply reliability.


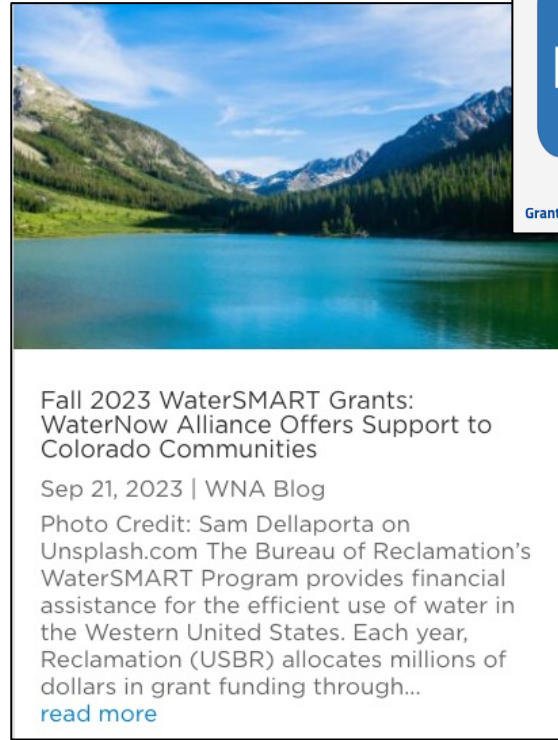
✓ The **City of Greeley, CO** received \$2,000,000 in WEEG funding in FY22 for their Advanced Metering Infrastructure installation project where they converted over 11,000 outdated residential and commercial meters to AMI meters, which are integrated into the City's SCADA system. The project is expected to result in annual water savings of 1,146 AF by improving metering accuracy and providing customers with near real-time monitoring and alert capabilities that detect high usage and leaks.



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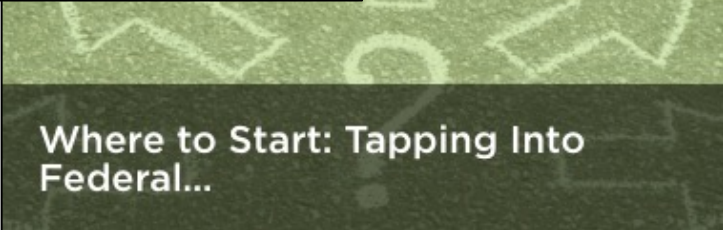
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Where to Start: Tapping Into Federal...



No-Cost, Hands-On Assistance to Apply for WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects

WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects (EWRP) supports projects focused on benefits to ecological values or watershed health and that have been developed as part of a collaborative process to help carry out an established strategy to increase the reliability of water resources.

Eligible Projects Include:

- Water conservation and efficiency projects that result in quantifiable and sustained water savings and benefit ecological values or watershed health
- Water management or infrastructure improvements to benefit ecological values or watershed health
- Restoration projects benefitting ecological values or watershed health that have a nexus to water resources or water resources management

Who's Eligible to Apply?
WaterSMART grants are open to states, Indian tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, or other organizations (including state, regional, or local authorities) with water or power delivery authority in the Western US, as well as nonprofit conservation organizations (including watershed groups) that are acting in partnership with any of these entities.

Federal Funding Amount:

- Up to \$3 million for projects that can be completed within 3 years
- Applicants must be able to commit to a minimum of 25% cost-share of total project cost

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- 1-on-1 call to discuss grant opportunities and to strategize next steps
- Targeted research tasks related to your application
- Guidance on USBR grant submission processes
- Application and budget templates
- Detailed review of your application

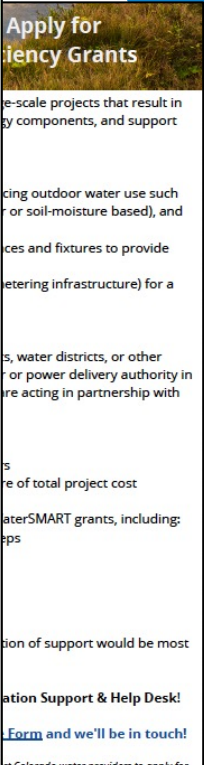
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