

Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund Grants Program

GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE

The deadline for L&WCF grant applications is
May 8, 2015 5:00 pm.

APPROXIMATELY \$300,000 AVAILABLE

Program Administered
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How Much Is Available?

For Federal Fiscal Year 2014, Congress approved an Interior Appropriations Bill that made available approximately \$300,000 to Nevada's political subdivisions and Native American tribal governments.

Who is Eligible to Apply?

All political subdivisions within the state including counties, cities, towns, general improvement districts, and Native American tribal governments, which have legal authority to operate parks or provide recreation services, are potentially eligible for the 50:50 matching grants offered through the program. The local matches can consist of cash, in-kind labor, volunteer labor, and donated property, materials, or equipment.

What Types of Projects Are Eligible?

Financial assistance is available through the L&WCF to provide most facilities necessary for the use and enjoyment of outdoor recreation areas. Funding of development proposals may cover construction, renovation, site planning, demolition, site preparation, and architectural/ engineering services.

Examples of development projects include: sports & play fields, picnic facilities, trails, swimming facilities, boating facilities, fishing/hunting facilities, winter sports facilities, campgrounds, outdoor exhibits, spectator facilities, community gardens, major renovation or redevelopment of recreation facilities, provision of access to recreation facilities for persons with disabilities. The funds can also be utilized for recreation support facilities such as access roads, parking, walkways, restrooms, utilities, visitor or interpretive centers and pavilions.

How Are Projects Selected?

Applications are scored by State staff in accordance with established criteria which can be found in the grant manual on State Parks website.

The small amount of funds available will limit the number of projects that can be funded. The Division of State Parks invites interested applicants to submit one application each.

How Much Federal Assistance Can Be Requested?

Funding request minimum is \$25,000 with no upper limit (to the amount of the total appropriation). Exceptions to the \$25,000 minimum rule will be considered for political subdivisions serving populations under 10,000. Local matches can exceed 50%, but the federal share cannot exceed 50% of the total project amount.

How Do I Apply?

You may obtain a copy of the L&WCF grant application package on State Parks' website.

The deadline for FFY 2014 L&WCF grant applications is May 8, 2015 5:00 pm, no fax or emailed copies will be accepted. Evaluation and selection of projects will take place through the summer and should be awarded prior to fall construction season, 2015. The timely awarding of the grants is subject to the Federal Government spending bills and shutdowns. The funding is not impacted by the current shutdown or continuing resolutions.

New streamlined application will be available online. Prospective applicants should contact Jenny Scanland, Nevada Division of State Parks with any questions regarding the program at (775) 684-2787 or jscanland@parks.nv.gov