

WYOMING WATER STRATEGY INITIATIVE 9 & 10:

River Restoration & Fish Passage Funding Sources and Contacts

Wyoming Governor Matt Mead developed a water strategy in 2015 to “protect, plan for, and utilize water for the highest benefits of all its citizens.” Ten initiatives were described under the themes of Management, Development, Conservation, and Protection. “River Restoration” and “Collaborative Fish Passage Restoration” are initiatives under the water and watershed protection theme.

Initiative 9, river restoration, recognizes that communities see significant long-term economic returns as a direct result of restoration work. This initiative involves developing strategies, financial tools, and technical expertise to further stream restoration efforts throughout Wyoming.

Initiative 10, collaborative fish passage, recognizes opportunities to benefit both water users and fisheries when replacing infrastructure. This initiative involves developing strategies, financial tools, and technical expertise to further fish passage throughout Wyoming while still meeting water user’s needs.

An ad hoc team of state agency representatives has been collaborating to develop outcomes under these initiatives. Agencies represented include: Wyoming Water Development Office, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Fund, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, and the Wyoming Department of Transportation. The following product is an outcome under these initiatives.

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A comprehensive list of funding sources and contact information is provided herein to provide a resource for river restoration and fish passage project proponents. Depending on specific project circumstances, a variety of funding sources may be appropriate. For most efforts, a handful of funding sources should always be considered. These primary funding sources for river restoration work in Wyoming are:

- Wyoming Wildlife Natural Resource Trust
- Wyoming Game and Fish Trust Fund
- Wyoming DEQ Section 319

For efforts to rehabilitate existing irrigation diversion infrastructure or other fish passage promoting work, these following additional sources should always be considered:

- Wyoming Water Development Office: Small project or large project funding
- Wyoming Game and Fish Department: Fish Passage Grant
- USFWS Fish Passage and National Fish Habitat Initiative Funding

A detailed list of funding sources and contact information follows. Funders are organized by the type of organization or group that would be applying for the funding. Funders are also organized by where the funding can be applied. Categories include: 1. Public Funding for Private Landowners, Municipalities, Government Agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations, 2. Nonprofit Funding for Private Landowners, Municipalities, and Agencies, 3. Public Funding for Municipalities and Agencies Only, 4. Public Funding for Private Landowners Only, 5. Private funding, and 6. Regional funding.

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1. Public Funding for Private Landowners, Municipalities, Government Agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations

<p>Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance and conserve wildlife habitat and natural resource values throughout the state 9 member WWNRT board reviews projects and does an on-site tour of every proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any project designed to improve wildlife habitat or natural resource values Individuals are not eligible Will not fund salaries, acquisition of real property, or purchase of water rights 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications due March 1 and September 1 Decisions in June and December Standard contract is three years 	<p>http://wwnrt.wyo.gov/</p> <p>Grants Manager (307)777-8024</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects >\$200,000 must be submitted by September 1 and are subject to legislative approval in the following March legislative session Can apply for early (design), middle and late funding
<p>Wyoming Game and Fish Department; Trust Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat proposals scored as outlined in Department Strategic Habitat Plan Trust fund dollars can be granted to various entities, contracted through WGFD or used for materials Work on private land requires an additional cooperative agreement with landowner specifying goals, terms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any project designed to improve wildlife habitat or natural resource values Projects require a WGFD biologist representative Grants and contracts with all legal entities including private landowners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications due to WGFD representative by December 1 Initial screening by WGFD staff in January Preliminary Commission approval in March Final approval and \$\$ available in early July Contracts and grant agreements can be developed early, between March and July, for work performed after early July Grant agreements are 	<p>WGFD Strategic Habitat Plan: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/WGFD/media/content/PDF/Habitat/Strategic%20Habitat%20Plan/SHP2015_Final.pdf</p> <p>Contact Information: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/About-Us/Offices-and-Facilities</p> <p>Cheyenne: Aquatic Habitat Program Manager or Terrestrial</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding can be any amount though most are \$10,000 - \$30,000 per project Reimbursement grant, meaning that funds can be issued to the recipient only after proof of expenditure on eligible costs identified to deliver the approved product Invoices are due to WGFD representative by June 10 Requires high level of coordination with WGFD

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	and conditions of the project		generally done for 2-year periods	Habitat Program Manager Regional Office Aquatic or Terrestrial Habitat Biologist	representative
Wyoming Game and Fish Department; Fish Passage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any project designed to improve fish migration or reduce entrainment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects require a WGFD biologist representative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications due to WGFD representative by December 1 Initial screening by WGFD staff in January Preliminary Commission approval in March Final approval and \$\$ available in early July Contracts and grant agreements can be drafted early, between March and July, but become valid in early July Grant agreements are generally for 2-year periods 	<p>https://wgfd.wyo.gov/WGFD/media/content/PDF/Habitat/Strategy%20Habitat%20Plan/SHP2015_Final.pdf</p> <p>Fish Passage Coordinator (307)332-7723</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding can be any amount though most are \$5,000 - \$30,000 per project Reimbursement grant, meaning that funds can be issued to the recipient only after proof of expenditure on eligible costs identified to deliver the approved product Invoices are due to WGFD representative by June 10 Requires high level of coordination with WGFD representative
Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality; Nonpoint Source Program, Clean Water Act Section 319 Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects that prevent or reduce nonpoint source pollution to surface and ground water High priority projects: watershed restoration for impaired waterbodies Medium priority projects: watershed protection for unimpaired 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires 40% non-federal match (cash or in-kind) Available annually through competitive proposal process Reimbursement grants Broad eligibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for Proposals issued annually, mid-June Draft proposals due early August for optional but recommended pre-review) Final proposals due mid-September Funding recommendations made by Nonpoint Source Task Force (citizens board) 	<p>http://deq.wyoming.gov/wqd/non-point-source/resources/grant-resources/</p> <p>Nonpoint Source Program Coordinator (307)777-6080</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current cap of \$400,000 for maximum amount one project can request Stream restoration projects eligible; must be water quality benefit Funds can be used for stream restoration planning/design For implementation

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	<p>waterbodies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low priority projects: all other project types (e.g, Education, Planning, Groundwater) • Focus on realizing and documenting measurable improvement in water quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires contacting the WDEQ Nonpoint Source Program prior to submitting proposal 	<p>late October to early November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If recommended for funding, funds typically become available spring of the following year • Look back for the non-federal match is 60-days from the date the agreement is signed • Maximum project length 4 yr 		<p>projects, watershed planning requirements may apply</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring for project effectiveness is strongly encouraged or may be required
<p>Wyoming Governor’s Big Game License Coalition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund worthy wildlife and habitat improvement projects that produce an immediate impact and preserve and perpetuate our resources for the enjoyment of future generations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority is given to those with matching funds, established partnerships, multi-species benefits, management relevance, highest wildlife impact, appropriate budgets, landscape scale, and with a lasting legacy of benefits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application due February 1 • Applications accepted out of cycle (~July) for any funds that remain unspent after the May grant awards have been distributed. • Out of cycle funding requests are dependent on funding availability and not part of the annual grant making process. • \$\$ available ~ July 	<p>www.wyomingwildlifefoundation.org.</p> <p>Project Coordinator (307) 432-9453</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects generally range between \$5,000 and \$20,000 • Proposals should address on-the-ground add-on projects, not traditional M&O funding needs, including salaries.
<p>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: National Fish Habitat Partnerships</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NFHP funds are delivered through Fish Habitat Partnerships • Fish Habitat Partnerships in Wyoming include the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must protect, restore, or enhance fish and aquatic habitats or otherwise directly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis • \$\$ allocated by USFWS Director among partnerships in October with final project 	<p>http://www.fws.gov Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual awards will range from approximately \$1,000 to \$300,000 • All or a portion of project funds may be transferred to

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(NFHP)	<p>Western Native Trout Initiative (WNTI; see below), Desert Fish and the Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit project proposal through Lander Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office 	<p>support habitat-related priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every project must be identified in the Fisheries Operational Needs System (FONS). 	<p>selections in February - March</p>	<p>Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p>	<p>partner organizations if the Service lacks the capability to implement a project</p>
Western Native Trout Initiative (WNTI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WNTI is supported by several different entities and partners, the bulk of project funding is made available to grantees annually through the NFHP (see above) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must address native cutthroat trout; Bonneville, Colorado, and Yellowstone. • For on-the-ground habitat conservation projects and related design and monitoring activities • Minimum 1:1 match, which may include cash, time, materials, or other services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission prior to October • If approved, funding available in April • Small grants available for \$3,000 max with applications due in June. 	<p>http://www.westernnativetroutrout.org/contact-information-western-native-trout-initiative</p> <p>Project Coordinator (303)236-4402</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typical funding per project is in the range of \$10,000-\$50,000 • WNTI prefers to be the final funding needed to complete a project (last funding in). • Small grant funding is a good source for public outreach and communications efforts
Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation of native aquatic species, many of which are of commercial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missouri River watershed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission prior to October • If approved funding available in April 	<p>www.prairiefish.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typical funding per project is in the range of \$10,000-\$50,000

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	<p>or recreational economic interest, such as sauger, sunfishes, catfishes, buffaloes, and paddlefish</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Wildlife Action Plans identify almost 90 fish species as being of greatest conservation need, of special concern, or listed 				
Desert Fish Habitat Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation of desert fish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upper Colorado Basin and Range (Snake and Salt River) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis 	<p>www.desertfhp.org/ DFHP Coordinator Phone: 928-338-4288</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typical funding per project is in the range of \$10,000-\$50,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife: National Fish Passage Program (NFPP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fish passage project is any activity that improves the ability of fish or other aquatic species to move by reconnecting habitat that has been fragmented by barriers. NFPP funding cannot be used for mitigation projects or for those required by other regulation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project proposals submitted through U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Lander FWCO. Note that fish passage projects are not eligible for funding if they are eligible for any Federal or State compensatory mitigation or if fish passage is a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Funding typically available in the spring. 	<p>Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159 Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p> <p>http://www.fws.gov/fisheries/whatwedo/nfpp/nfpp.html</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals will be reviewed by the Fish and Wildlife Service and the following criteria will be used in this process to compare projects and make funding decisions

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		condition provided by existing Federal or State regulatory programs			
Natural Resource Conservation Service; Regional Conservation Partnership Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotes coordination between NRCS and its partners to deliver conservation assistance to producers and landowners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural or silvicultural producer associations, farmer cooperatives or other groups of producers, state or local governments, American Indian tribes, municipal water treatment entities, water and irrigation districts, conservation-driven nongovernmental organizations and institutions of higher education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full proposal due early November Partnership agreements may be for a period of up to five years. NRCS may extend an agreement one time for an additional 12 months if needed to meet the objectives of the program. 	http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/farmland/rcpp/ State Resource Conservationist (307) 233-6768	
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): Hazard Mitigation Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides HMA funds for flood reduction and mitigation activities associated with FSR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Municipalities and urban areas that have experienced a declared major flood disaster 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing after September 30, 2015 Application must be submitted after state/federal declaration of a major flood disaster 	http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1449244103602-4d8ca503b6f2c7fc343904ce97a0e6aa/FSR_FactSheet_Sep2015_Dec508.pdf	

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(HMA) - Floodplain and Stream Restoration (FSR)				FEMA-HMA-Grants_Policy@fema.dhs.gov FEMA Region 8 Office Grants Director (303-235-4800)	
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementing a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program. To reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding in future disasters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States, U.S. Territories, Federally-recognized tribes, and local communities are the subapplicants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis 	https://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program FEMA Region 8 Office Grants Director (303-235-4800)	
2. Nonprofit Funding for Private Landowners, Municipalities, and Agencies					
Trout Unlimited – Local Chapters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect critical habitat, to reconnect degraded waterways, and restore populations to coldwater fisheries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with local chapters Coldwater fisheries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.tu.org/connect/chapter-search for grant and contact information	
Trout Unlimited – Wyoming Water Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners with ranchers and farmers on pragmatic on-the- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coldwater fisheries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.tu.org/tu-programs/western-water	

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	ground restoration projects that show that working landscapes and fish can coexist			Director (307) 332- 7700 x14	
Trout Unlimited; Embrace a Stream	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs of native and wild trout following TU's Protect, Reconnect, Restore, and Sustain conservation model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TU awards funds to locals TU chapters and councils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid October chapter needs to contact EAS Committee Mid November draft applications Mid December Final app. Due Mid February grant selection \$\$ available in April 	http://www.tu.org/conservation/watershed-restoration-home-rivers-initiative/embrace-a-stream Membership Engagement Manager (541)729-5830	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluated based on the following criteria: Conservation Impact, Strengthening TU Impact, Public Education and Outreach, and Technical Merit
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helps fund and conduct a variety of projects to improve essential forage, water, cover and space components of wildlife habitat, and supports research and management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Efforts to help maintain productive elk habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application due early January 	http://www.rmef.org/NewsandMedia/PressRoom/AboutRMEF/People/FieldStaffVolunteerChairs.aspx for contact information Lands Program Manager (307) 760-5447	
Muley Fanatics Foundation (MFF) - Local Chapters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims to ensure the conservation of mule deer and their habitat and to provide supporting services to further the sport of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with local chapters Efforts to maintain and enhance for mule deer populations and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.muleyfanatic.com/home/event MFF Office (307)875-3133	

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	<p>hunting and sound wildlife management</p>	<p>habitat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocations include but are not limited to: science based research, fencing projects, highway overpasses, invasive weed control, riparian development, predator control, youth education, forage treatments, prescribed burns and conservation easements 		<p><u>Chapters</u> Southeast 10 Country Flaming Gorge Casper Kemmerer Southwest Upper Green</p>	
<p>Mule Fanatics Foundation (MFF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aims to ensure the conservation of mule deer and their habitat and to provide supporting services to further the sport of hunting and sound wildlife management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts to maintain and enhance for mule deer populations and habitat • Allocations include but are not limited to: science based research, fencing projects, highway overpasses, invasive weed control, riparian development, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	<p>http://www.mulefanatic.com/</p> <p>MFF Office (307)875-3133</p>	

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		<p>predator control, youth education, forage treatments, prescribed burns and conservation easements</p>			
Ducks Unlimited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conserves, restores, and manages wetlands and associated habitats for North America's waterfowl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heartland Heritage and Habitat Initiative and Peaks to Prairies includes Wyoming and focuses on major staging areas for waterfowl during both spring and fall migrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	<p>Heartland Heritage and Habitat Initiative http://www.ducks.org/conservation/conservation-initiatives/heartland-heritage-and-habitat-initiative</p> <p>Peaks-to-Prairies Initiative http://www.ducks.org/conservation/conservation-initiatives/peaks-to-prairies-initiative</p> <p>Staff (701)355-3500</p>	
Mule Deer Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure the conservation of mule deer, black-tailed deer and their habitat. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-the-ground work for mule deer, black-tailed deer and other wildlife No salaries, no monitoring, etc, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	https://muledeer.org/propose-a-project-guidelines/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum of 50% match for projects

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Pheasants Forever	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation of pheasants, quail and other wildlife through habitat improvements, public awareness, education and land management policies and programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit pheasant and quail • Need to work with a local chapter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	https://www.pheasantsforever.org/Participate/Find-a-Chapter.aspx Contact Local Chapters	
The Nature Conservancy; Headwaters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lending collaborative, research-driven voice to the conversation about the future of Wyoming's freshwater 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/wyoming/contact/index.htm Conservation Project Coordinator (307) 335-2120	
Wyoming Wetlands Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives are to aid in the restoration of the Rocky Mountain Population of trumpeter swans and to protect, preserve, restore and enhance the wetlands they depend on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts to help maintain and enhance productive trumpeter swan habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://wyomingwetlandsociety.org/index.php Program Director (307)203-2209	
Water for Wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing permanent supplemental water sources to specific areas • Works to preserve the diversity and health of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects require a WGFD, BLM, or other state or federal biologist representative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://waterforwildlife.com/Default.html Executive Director (307)332-8190	

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	these important wild species and habitats				
National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhancing wild turkey populations but also in the continuation of hunting and quality wildlife habitat for countless species Improve the health of a variety of critical habitats, including forests and riparian areas, as well as provide more winter food availability for wildlife. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects require a WGFD biologist representative Federal, state and local entities, conservation organizations, colleges/universities and private landowners that are currently working through an existing conservation program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted in early June 	http://www.nwtf.org/about/state/wyoming Director of Field Operations (208) 469-0001	
Wyoming Fly Casters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote and enhance the sport of fly fishing and the conservation of fish and their habitats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preferred projects include WGFD biologist participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are accepted in early May 	(307)234-2594	
3. Public Funding for Municipalities and Agencies Only					
U.S. Fish and Wildlife: Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program administers the following grants: Wildlife Restoration Grant Program, Sport Fish Restoration Grant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WGFD eligible Projects require a WGFD biologist representative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial proposals to WGFD by first of May Fish Division review in September HTAG review in November 	http://www.fws.gov Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159	

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<p>Program (WSFR)</p>	<p>Program, Boating Infrastructure Grant Program, State Wildlife Grant Program, Tribal Wildlife Grant Program, and Tribal Landowner Incentive Grant Program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, their habitats, and the hunting, sport fishing and recreational boating opportunities they provide 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$\$ available in July 	<p>Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p>	
<p>U.S. Fish and Wildlife: Conservation Planning and Assistance Program.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Infrastructure development projects to protect the environment and preserve our Nation's biological, terrestrial and aquatic natural resources ● Conserve, restore or enhance fish and wildlife while at the same time accomplishing the objectives of proposed development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Federal agencies eligible ● Provides grants to state fish and wildlife agencies to fund projects that bring together USFWS, state agencies and private organizations and individuals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Initial proposals to WGFD by first of May ● Fish Division review in September ● HTAG review in November ● \$\$ available in July 	<p>http://www.fws.gov Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159 Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Projects include identification of significant problems that can adversely affect fish and wildlife and their habitats, actions to conserve species and their habitats, actions that will provide opportunities for the public to use and enjoy fish and wildlife through non-consumptive activities, monitoring of species and identification of significant habitats

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife: Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund/ Section 6 Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants to States and Territories to participate in a wide array of voluntary conservation projects for candidate, proposed, and listed species 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat conservation actions on non-federal lands States must contribute a minimum non-federal match of 25% of the estimated program costs of approved projects, or 10% when two or more States or implement a joint project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial proposals to WGFD by first of May Fish Division review in September HTAG review in November \$\$ available in July 	<p>http://www.fws.gov Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159</p> <p>Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p>	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife: North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) Grant Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotes long term conservation of wetlands ecosystems and the waterfowl, migratory birds, fish and wildlife that depend upon such habitat Conservation actions supported are acquisition, enhancement and restoration of wetlands and wetlands associated habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public or private, profit or nonprofit entities or individuals establishing public/private sector partnerships are eligible Cost share partners must at least match grant funds with non-federal monies The minimum match requirement is 1:1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard Grant: February 26, 2016 or July 14, 2016 Small Grant Deadline: November 3, 2016 Duke Energy Settlement Fund has been deposited to fund projects exclusively in Wyoming Duke Energy Settlement Fund can be funded with less than the normal 2:1 or 3:1 match needed for a standard grant application to be competitive. 	<p>http://www.fws.gov Contact Lander FWCO (307)332-2159</p> <p>Or Contact Region 6 Coordinator (303)236-0486</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard Grant (\$1 million limit) Small Grant (up to \$75,000) Duke Energy Settlement Fund is different from year-to-year (\$355,000 total available)

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife: National Wildlife Refuge Challenge Cost Share Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program enables the FWS to manage cooperatively its natural and cultural resources and fulfill stewardship responsibilities to fish and wildlife management • Encourages refuge managers to form partnerships and leverage allocated funds to complete the projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must occur on a refuge or directly benefit a refuge • State/local governments, private individuals/ organizations, business enterprises, and philanthropic and charitable groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.fws.gov Contact local refuge manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriated funds may be used to pay for no more than 50% of the cost of a project • The other 50% has to be non-federal sources • Cooperative agreements are signed with the cost-share partners.
Wyoming Water Development: Small Water Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate with land management agencies and sponsoring entities in providing incentives for improving watershed condition and function 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include the construction or rehabilitation of small reservoirs, wells, pipelines and conveyance facilities, springs, solar platforms, irrigation works, windmills and wetland developments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application due January 1 • Reviewed in March • \$\$ available in July 	http://wwdc.state.wy.us/small_water_projects/small_water_projects.html Project Manager (307)777-7626	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Shovel ready” considered a priority • Up to \$35,000 for total project cost of \$100,000 • Activities should improve watershed condition and function and provide benefit to wildlife, livestock and the environment
WY Federal Lands Access Program- (FLAP) DOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For transportation planning, rehabilitation, reconstruction of federal lands access facilities located on or adjacent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State and local governments • High-use recreation sites or federal economic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for proposals opens in mid February • Application packets due mid May • Short list notified in April 	http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/flap/wy/ Lead FLAP Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan projects in 5-7 year windows and approve that group of projects at the same time • If short-listed, the Applicant

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	<p>to, or that provide access to federal land, and -provisions for pedestrians and bicycles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects may include engineering, rehabilitation, restoration, construction, reconstruction, transportation planning, and research of the eligible transportation facility 	<p>generators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum local match requirement is 9.51% • Project applications must be supported by the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scoping May-June • Funded awarded in July of the next year 	<p>Planner 720-963-3605</p>	<p>will enter into a Reimbursable Agreement for the not-to-exceed amount of \$10,000 within 45 days of notification of selection for CFLHD to complete project scoping efforts to develop an accurate scope, schedule, and budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorandum of Agreement defining that scope as well as roles and responsibilities to be executed within 60 days from approval of funding
<p>Western Native Trout Initiative; Small Grants Program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small project funding program specifically supports collaborative approaches and partnerships involved in local efforts or community-based programs that provide for habitat, educational or public recreational angling programs that contribute to the Initiative's efforts to conserve western native 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must be eligible for NFHP funding (see above) • Only projects that address native cutthroat trout; Bonneville, Colorado, and Yellowstone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application due mid-June 	<p>http://www.westernnative-trout-initiative-small-grants-program</p> <p>Project Coordinator (303)236-4402</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual projects can be funded at a maximum of \$3,000.

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National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; Five Star and Urban Water Restoration	trout <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wetland, river or coastal habitat restoration and/or targeted green infrastructure creation Integrated Education, outreach and training into the restoration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community partners united to achieve ecological and educational outcomes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webinars in November RFP due in early November Project metrics due in mid-December Final applications during the following first week in February \$\$ available in ~ July 	http://www.nfwf.org/ivestartar/Pages/home.aspx Coordinator, Community-Based Conservation (202)595-2434	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurable ecological, educational and community benefits.
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; Bring Back the Natives/More Fish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invests in conservation activities that restore, protect, and enhance native populations of sensitive or listed fish species across the United States, especially in areas on or adjacent to federal agency lands Proposals related to species with a NFWF business plan or a well-developed, comprehensive conservation strategy will be most competitive, including Yellowstone, Colorado and Westslope Cutthroat trout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority activities: restoring connectivity, restoring riparian in-stream habitat & water quality, inv. spp mgmt, innovation research Non fed match at least 1:1 (cash or in-kind) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RFP due first week in August Final application due in Sept. Award announced in December \$\$ available in ~ July 	http://www.nfwf.org/bn/Pages/home.aspx Coordinator, Program Administration (202)595-2474	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants from \$25, 000-100,000 Program emphasizes coordination between private landowners and federal agencies, tribes, corporations, and states to improve the ecosystem functions and health of watersheds. Describe the native fish species at risk or potentially at risk, a description of its historic and current range, and its importance as part of the greater aquatic ecosystem, as well as the factors that have caused a decline in the species population(s) Due to the effort and time

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					spent to apply and documenting the use of NFWF, best to utilize for project needing >\$50,000
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; ConocoPhillips SPIRIT of Conservation and Innovation Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation of critical habitats as well as the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches that address water and biodiversity issues • Focused on high-priority North American migratory species, in areas where ConocoPhillips has an operating presence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded projects should be completed within two years following finalization of a grant agreement. • All grant awards require a minimum 1:1 match of cash or contributed goods and services, of which at least 50% should be from non-Federal sources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RFP due in mid August • Award announced mid-November • \$\$ available in January of following year 	http://www.nfwf.org/spirit/Pages/home.aspx Assistant Director (612)564-7285	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stimulating and leveraging the development and adoption of innovative conservation technologies and techniques in areas where ConocoPhillips has an operating presence. • Grant awards will range from \$50,000 to \$350,000. Past grants have typically ranged from \$50,000 to \$150,000.
Wyoming Dept of Environmental Quality; Nonpoint Source Program, Clean Water Act Section 205(j) Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water quality management planning and assessment projects • Planning and assessment projects on impaired waterbodies are prioritized 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires 25% non-federal match (cash or in-kind) • Available annually through competitive proposal process • Reimbursement grants • Cities, towns, counties, and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Proposals issued annually, mid-June • Draft proposals due early August for optional but recommended pre-review) • Final proposals due mid-September • Funding recommendations made by Nonpoint Source Task Force (citizens board) late October to early 	http://deq.wyoming.gov/wqd/non-point-source/resources/grant-resources/ Nonpoint Source Program Coordinator (307)777-6080	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$40,000 available annually • Stream restoration planning/design projects eligible.

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		conservation districts eligible <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires contacting the WDEQ Nonpoint Source Program prior to submitting 	November <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If recommended for funding, funds typically become available spring of the following year Look back for the non-federal match is 60-days from the date the agreement is signed Maximum project length 2 years 		
Wyoming Dept of Environmental Quality, Brownsfield Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many communities in Wyoming have properties that are abandoned or underutilized because of known or suspected environmental contamination. These properties, known as “brownfields,” may require cleanup before they are safe for reuse or redevelopment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must meet the definitions of a “brownfield site” as defined by EPA Properties impacted by hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants; impacted by controlled substances (e.g., methamphetamine); and petroleum or petroleum products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various deadlines 	http://deq.wyoming.gov/v/shwd/brownfields-assistance/resources/application-form/ Solid & Hazardous Waste Division (307)777-7752	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can provide technical assistance to brownfield sites and financial assistance based on eligibility requirements. Applications capped at \$400,000
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Brownsfields	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Properties that are abandoned or underutilized because of known or suspected environmental 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic redevelopment to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment Grants guidelines out in Oct. Applications due December 	http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment and clean up grants can ask up to \$200,000

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Program	contamination.	work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields.			
Wyoming Business Council— Business Ready Community Program- Community Enhancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides financing (some grant, or loan) for publicly owned infrastructure that serves the needs of businesses and promotes economic development within Wyoming communities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only cities, towns, joint powers boards eligible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application accepted quarterly (June 1, Sept. 1 Dec. 1, March1) 	<p>http://www.wyomingbusiness.org/program/business-ready-community-program/1246</p> <p>Business Ready Communities and Community Facilities Program Manager (307)777-2818</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the project to local businesses (e.g., stream restoration making rafting trips safer, increased fishing guide business, etc...) Maximum award \$500,000, 50% match required (1/2 must be cash) Award up to 3 years in length
Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality; Clean Water State Revolving Funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loans to public entities for water pollution control projects, including projects that reduce nonpoint source pollution. Loan terms are up to 20 years, with interest rate at 2.5% and a 0.5% loan origination fee. Some loans may be at even lower interest rates and/or include 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State agencies, counties municipalities, joint powers boards, and other entities constituting a political subdivision under the laws of the state (e.g., various types of special districts) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete and submit 3 copies of the CWSRF loan application forms to the Office of State Lands and Investments. Suggested to begin the process at least 6-12 months prior to bidding a project. The State Loan and Investment Board has final loan approval authority; it considers loans at its regular meetings held every two months. 	<p>http://deq.wyoming.gov/wqd/state-revolving-loan-fund/resources/2-clean-water-state-revolving-fund/</p> <p>WDEQ State Revolving Fund Program (307)777-6371</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A certain amount of funds each year must be used for Green Project Reserve (GPR)--projects which address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities; GPR loans will have an interest rate of 0% and may be eligible for principal forgiveness

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	forgiveness of a portion of the principal		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential projects must be included on the state CWSRF Intended Use Plan (updated annually, usually late winter/early spring) 		
4. Public Funding for Private Landowners Only					
U.S. Fish and Wildlife; Partners for Fish & Wildlife Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A broad-based partnership of Wyoming landowners, local communities, conservation districts, sportsman groups, non-governmental organizations, federal and state agencies, and others, whose mission is to address landowner and landscape conservation needs Voluntary program that provides habitat restoration, technical, & financial assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinate with Private Land Biologists Private or tribal land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application accepted on a rolling basis 	http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/refuges/wyomingpfw.php State Coordinator (307) 332-8719	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typical funding \$1-\$25,000 Technical assistance
Natural Resource Conservation Service; EQIP. WHIP, Etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to plan and implement conservation practices that improve soil, water, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be agricultural producer Control or own eligible land. Comply with adjusted gross 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application due by mid March but check with local NRCS field office 	http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/wy/programs/financial/eqip/ Local NRCS field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payments are made on completed practices or activities identified in an EQIP contract that meet NRCS standards. Payment rates are set each

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	<p>plant, animal, air and related natural resources on agricultural land and non-industrial private forestland</p>	<p>income (AGI) for less than \$900,000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be in compliance with the highly erodible land and wetland conservation requirements. • Develop an NRCS EQIP or WHIP plan of operations that addresses at least one natural resource concern 		<p>office</p>	<p>fiscal year and are attached to the EQIP contract when it is approved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payment rates for each conservation practice can be found at each NRCS State Programs website.
<p>Wyoming Dept of Environmental Quality; Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VRP allows owner or prospective owner to voluntarily investigate possible contamination and clean it up if necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must meet the definitions of a “brownfield site” as defined by EPA • Properties impacted by hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants; impacted by controlled substances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various deadlines 	<p>http://deq.wyoming.gov/shwd/voluntary-remediation-program/</p> <p>Solid & Hazardous Waste Division (307)777-7752</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If suspect any contamination, participate early in process. • Can provide technical assistance to brownfield sites and financial assistance based on eligibility requirements.
<p>5. Private Funding</p>					
<p>Patagonia World Trout®</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds restoration and protection of wild, self- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-profits only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No application deadline • \$\$ available for 1 year 	<p>http://www.patagonia.com/us/patagonia.go?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restores native river, coastal, and salt water

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Initiative	sustainable trout and other fish species within their native range <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most grants are in the range of \$3,000 to \$15,000. 			assetid=32942	habitats <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures dedicated in-stream flows that mimic natural stream flows • Provides unassisted fish passage (without human intervention) to and from historically accessible habitat; we give priority to long term, low maintenance, and natural channel solutions • Fosters sustainable harvest techniques and eliminates irresponsible aquaculture, and pollution
6. Regional Funding					
U.S. Army Corps. Of Engineers (Corps.); Section 1135 Project Modifications for Improvement of the Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restore significant ecosystem function, structure, and dynamic processes that have been degraded by Corps projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restore areas where a Corps. project caused degradation • Upper Snake River • Sheridan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various deadlines 	http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/Library/ReviewPlans.aspx Project Manager (208)345-2064 http://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/Planning/PlanningProjects/SheridanWY.aspx	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

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				Project Manager (402)995-2417	
U.S. Environmental Protection Services; Urban Stormwater Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is to fund research, investigations, experiments, training, surveys, studies, and demonstrations that will advance the restoration of urban waters by improving water quality through activities that also support community revitalization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casper/ Natrona County • Public funding for nonprofit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RFP has full proposals due mid November • Notification end of March • Begin work early August. • EPA to hosts webinar about program • Grant provided every other year • Expect next application round fall of 2017 • Grant periods 1-2 years, typically 	http://www2.epa.gov/urbanwaters/urban-waters-small-grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum non fed match for \$4,000 (cash or in-kind) • Grants of \$40,000 to \$60,000
Snake River Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote stewardship and recreational access to the Snake River watershed in Wyoming, with an emphasis on partnerships, education, and public outreach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teton • North Lincoln County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. 	http://www.snakeriverfund.org/ Program Director (307)734-6773	
Teton Conservation District; Technical Assistance Cost Share	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural resource project grant funding applications may be submitted for one or more of the following categories: Agriculture, Mapping Resources & Geographic Information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teton County • Requires a 50% match from the applicant, which may include direct dollars and/or in-kind • Requires a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application due early December • \$\$ available in January 	http://tetonconservation.org/programs/technical-assistance-tac-cost-share-grants.php Water Resource Specialist (307)733-2110	

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	Systems (GIS), Restoration & Sustainability, Teton County Planning & Development Regulations, Water Resources and Wildlife.	preliminary contact with TCD staff prior to submission			
Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long-term, science based effort to assess and enhance aquatic and terrestrial habitats at a landscape scale in southwest Wyoming, while facilitating responsible development through local collaboration and partnerships • Projects are on-the-ground activities intended to improve terrestrial and aquatic habitats and terrain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Project Development Teams (LPDTs) identify issues that are important to the local landscape and cooperatively create projects • Projects must be presented at LPDTs meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon, Lincoln/Uinta, Sublette, Sweetwater Counties Meetings are held in November 	https://www.wlci.gov/ Coordinator (307) 352-0313	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
US Forest Service Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds are made available through Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act. Projects must be located on National Forest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects that meet the following criteria: provide benefits to forest health, fish, wildlife, soils, watersheds, and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAC is notified on the \$\$ available in February • Each National Forest RAC has own submission dates in the spring (March-April) • Each National Forest RAC has final project 	http://cloudapps-usda.gov.force.com/FSSRS/CreateNewprojectpage Contact Local National Forest Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding amount are different for each national forest • Each National Forest (eg. Bridger/ Teton, Shoshone, Big Horn) has its own RAC

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	<p>System Lands in Park or on adjacent lands if the project will benefit the national forest.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project work may be completed by Forest Service personnel, through partnership agreements, or by open-bid contracting 	<p>other natural resources; maintain roads, trails, and other infrastructure; or control noxious weeds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<p>recommendations at the end of September</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$\$ available the following field season (ex. \$\$ approved in September 2016 will be available spring/summer 2017) 		