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Arizona Water Protection Fund Accepting Applications for Fiscal Year 2024 Grant Cycle

PHOENIX- The Arizona Water Protection Fund (AWPF) supports projects that develop or implement on-the-ground measures that directly maintain, enhance and restore Arizona's river and riparian resources.

The AWPF Commission will be accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2024 grant cycle and will award grants under three categories: capital projects, research, and water conservation. The deadline to submit applications is **August 25, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.** Arizona time. Applications will only be accepted electronically via the eCivis Grants Management System. The eCivis grant application portal link, grant cycle schedule, grant application manual, and electronic forms are available on the AWPF website at <https://www.azwpf.gov/grant-information/fy-2024-grant-cycle>.

AWPF staff will be hosting one grant application workshop:

| Location | Date | Time |
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| Online Webinar* | Wednesday, July 12, 2023 | 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. |
| Webinar Information | | |
| Link: https://adwr.info/AWPF_W | | |
| Webinar Number (Access Code): 2595 334 6863 | | |
| Webinar Password: 3ZKcjn3WW97 | | |
| Join by Phone: 1-415-655-0001 US Toll (Access Code is same as above) | | |

*Staff will be providing the grant application workshop via online webinar only, but a recording will also be available on the AWPF website at <https://www.azwpf.gov/grant-information/fy-2024-grant-cycle>. Please contact the Arizona Water Protection Fund at 602-771-8528 or rteran@azwater.gov with any questions.

The Arizona Legislature established the AWPF in 1994 (A.R.S. § 45-2101, *et seq.*). The Arizona Department of Water Resources provides administrative, technical, and legal support to the AWPF Commission. The legislation establishing the AWPF provides that it is the declared policy of the Legislature to provide for a coordinated effort between state funding and locally led solutions for the restoration and conservation of the water resources of the state. A.R.S. § 45-2101(A). The primary purpose of the AWPF is to provide monies through a competitive public grant process for implementation of measures to protect water of sufficient quality and quantity to maintain, enhance, and restore rivers and streams and associated riparian resources consistent with existing water law and water rights, and measures to increase water availability. A.R.S. § 45-2101(B).

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