

RANCHING FOR RIVERS

Cost Share Application

Funding availability is limited. The spring round of application reviews will begin after the June 15, 2018 deadline. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and those received after the June 15 deadline will be considered during the next review period in the fall of 2018.

This funding is available as pass through from Clean Water Act, Section 319, and has been made available to SWCDM from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Funding is available for 50% of all materials and use of equipment. Labor is not included in the cost share eligibility. Successful applications will receive the services of a range specialist to develop customized grazing plans for each project (at no additional cost to the landowner). It should be noted that each project will be required to submit a grazing management plan for the project area, developed in conjunction with a professional range specialist and approved by the landowner, by the end of the project period (approximately one year from award date).

SWCDM will conduct limited monitoring to establish a starting point for riparian habitat improvement for all successful applications.

Please fill & return to Jessica Makus, SWCDM, jessica@macdnet.org Or
by mail to: 1101 11th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: _____

Landowner Name (if different than applicant): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Is this project part of an overall conservation plan for the ranch? If so, please explain: _____

Location of Project

Conservation District you're working with: _____

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County: _____

Watershed Restoration Plan

Watershed Restoration Plan Name: _____

River or stream where project is located: _____

DEQ-Listed Impairments (if known): _____

Project Description

Please give a brief description of the project: _____

Please explain how this project fits in with conservation goals of the ranch: _____

Project Timeline

Estimated completion date of project: _____

Additional Funding Sources

Have you applied for additional funding sources? If so, please list: _____

Secured funding sources: _____

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Fencing Project Information

Estimated feet of fencing needed: _____

Type of fencing to be installed: _____

Estimated acreage affected: _____

Estimated streambank mileage affected: _____

Estimated total fencing project cost: _____

***Reimbursements based on set maximum costs allowed per practice. (See Appendix 1 for maximum cost guidelines. Reimbursement will be for 50% of total estimated project cost)*

Water Development Project Information

Type of water development to be installed: _____

Estimated feet of pipeline needed: _____

Estimated total water development project cost: _____

***Reimbursements based on set maximum costs allowed per practice. (See Appendix 1 for maximum cost guidelines. Reimbursement will be for 50% of total estimated project cost)*

Total Estimated Project Cost

Estimated total project cost (fencing & water development): _____

Other associated expenses: _____

Funding assistance requested (maximum is 50% of the total cost): _____

Reimbursement for installation of approved riparian cost-share practices up to 50% of the total project costs not to exceed set maximum costs allowed per practice. (See Appendix 1 for maximum cost guidelines)

****Please attach a map of the proposed project to this application. Maps can be obtained through Google Earth or from your local conservation district.**

**Questions on this application?
Contact Jessica Makus, 406-443-5711
jessica@macdnet.org**

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Appendix 1. Maximum Cost-Share Allowed for Ranch for Rivers Projects*

Instructions for calculating cost-share: Please determine the amount of each item needed for your project. Add up the total cost per unit and divide that total by half to determine your funding request. Alternatively, you may use the “Accepted Cost-Share Value per Unit”, which has already been divided by half, and calculate the total funding request.

CODE	PRACTICE	COMPONENT	UNITS	UNIT COST	ACCEPTED COST-SHARE VALUE PER UNIT
382	Fence	Barbed or Smooth Wire	Foot	\$1.26	\$0.63
382	Fence	Wire Difficult	Foot	\$1.87	\$0.935
382	Fence	Electric	Foot	\$1.33	\$0.665
382	Fence	Protection, Sensitive Areas	Foot	\$3.76	\$1.88
516	Livestock Pipeline	PVC,IPS,HDPE/PE, Iron Pipe Buried 30 inches or less	Foot	\$1.08	\$0.54
516	Livestock Pipeline	Surface HDPE/PE, Iron Pipe on Surface	Foot	\$0.60	\$0.30
516	Livestock Pipeline	Steel, Iron Pipe Buried 30 inches or less	Foot	\$3.20	\$1.60
516	Livestock Pipeline	Surface Steel, Iron Pipe	Foot	\$2.51	\$1.255
516	Livestock Pipeline	PVC,IPS,HDPE/PE, frost free burial 5 feet or more	Foot	\$1.20	\$0.60
516	Livestock Pipeline	Adverse Condition, HDPE/PE below ground and frost line, frost free burial 5 feet or more	Foot	\$3.09	\$1.545
578	Stream Crossing	Hard-Armored Low-Water Crossing: rock riprap or cast in place concrete	Square Foot	\$2.64	\$1.32
578	Stream Crossing	Low-Water Stream using Prefab. Products: precast concrete blocks, geo-cells, pavers, or gabions	Square Foot	\$4.32	\$2.16
614	Watering Facility	Permanent Drinking Tank w/ Storage, less than 500 gallons	Gallon	\$1.73	\$0.865
614	Watering Facility	Permanent Drinking Tank w/ Storage, 500-1,000 gallons	Gallon	\$1.49	\$0.745
614	Watering Facility	Permanent Drinking Tank w/ Storage, 1,000-5,000 gallons	Gallon	\$1.33	\$0.665
614	Watering Facility	Permanent Drinking Tank w/ Storage, greater than 5,000 gallons	Gallon	\$0.61	\$0.305
614	Watering Facility	Winter Tank w/ Storage	Gallon	\$2.23	\$1.115

Values derived from USDA NRCS approved cost-share practices for Fiscal Year 2017 USDA NRCS Field Office Technical Guide.

**While we tried to be comprehensive in the above list of accepted practices, we realize that there are always exceptions and unique situations. Please feel free to submit special requests and they will be considered along with the above listed practices.*

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