



Funding Clean Water

Beach Restoration and Erosion Control

Beach Management Funding Assistance provides grants to local governments for planning and implementing beach and inlet management projects that address erosion and restore healthy beaches, protect upland structures and infrastructure, provide critical habitat for threatened and endangered species, provide recreational opportunities and support local economies through tourism. Annual funding varies year to year.

Activities eligible for funding:

- » beach restoration and nourishment
- » design and engineering studies
- » environmental studies and monitoring
- » inlet management planning
- » inlet sand bypassing
- » dune restoration and vegetation
- » beach erosion control

Projects must be accessible to the public, located within an area listed as critically eroded and be consistent with the state's Strategic Beach Management Plan.

Applications are due late summer each year for funding the following fiscal year.

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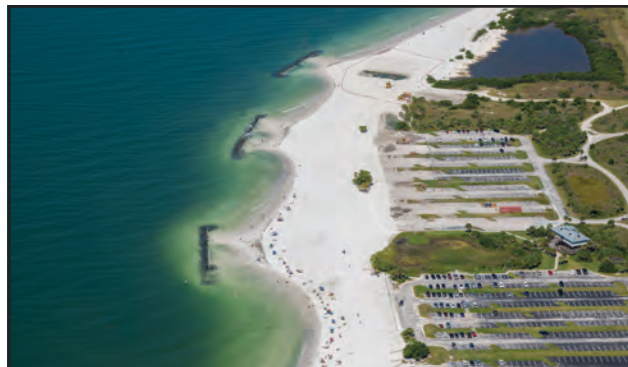
Other Division Programs

The Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Program provides grants to land owners for reclamation of land mined for phosphate prior to 1975.

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The Deepwater Horizon Program handles funds associated with the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

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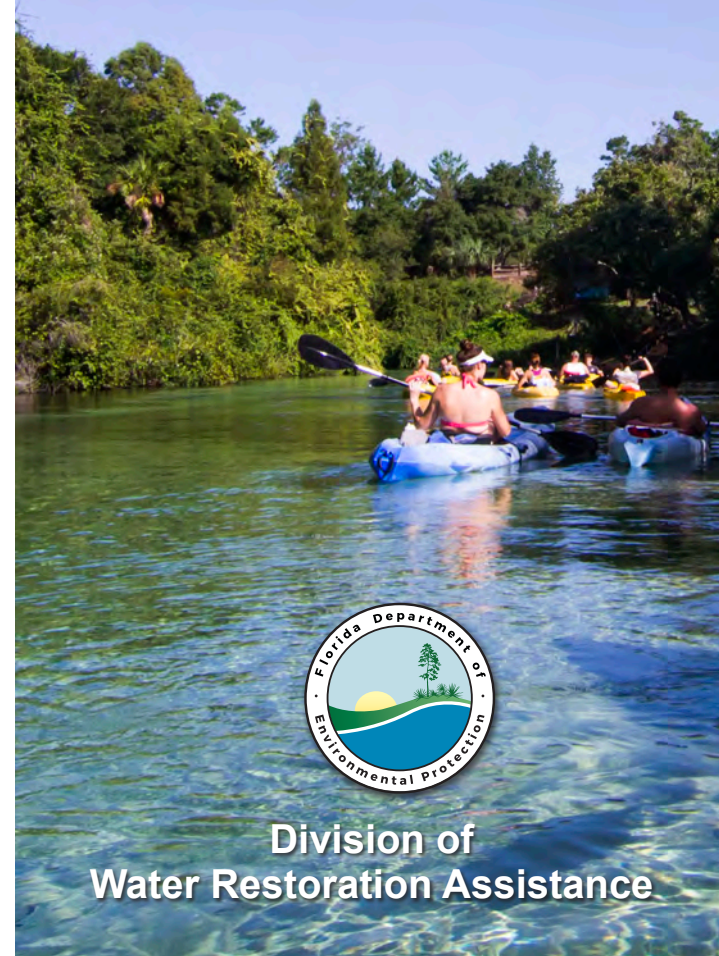


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The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Water Restoration Assistance provides grants and loans to improve the quality and quantity of Florida's water resources. Funding is available in several areas.

Drinking Water

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund provides low-interest loans to local governments and qualified utilities to plan, design and build, or upgrade drinking water systems. Discounted assistance and principal forgiveness is available for qualified communities. Interest rates on loans are typically 40 percent below market rates.

Applications are accepted year-round and are evaluated for funding throughout the year.

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Stormwater and Wastewater

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund is Florida's largest financial assistance program for water infrastructure. The fund provides low-interest loans to local governments to plan, design and build, or upgrade wastewater, reuse, stormwater and nonpoint source pollution prevention projects. Agricultural best management practices that benefit water quality may also qualify for funding. Interest rates on loans are below market rates and vary based on a community's economic means.

Small communities are eligible for principal forgiveness or grants for projects funded by a CWSRF loan if the community has a population of 10,000 people or fewer and per capita income levels below Florida's average. Projects must be associated with wastewater collection, transmission, treatment, reuse or disposal facilities.

Applications for loans and grants are accepted year-round and are evaluated for funding each August and quarterly thereafter as long as funds are available.

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Clean Water State Revolving Fund provided loans for Miami-Dade South District Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Nonpoint Source Pollution Prevention

The Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Grant and the state Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Water Quality Restoration Grant fund projects that reduce pollution from nonpoint sources and urban stormwater. Eligible projects include stormwater treatment, erosion and sediment control, and septic tank pollution abatement.

The Section 319(h) Grant funds projects or programs that benefit Florida's priority watersheds. Local sponsors must provide at least a 40-percent match or in-kind contribution. About \$5 million is received annually from EPA to fund projects.

Activities eligible for funding:

- » demonstration and evaluation of urban and agricultural best management practices
- » best management practices that reduce nonpoint source pollution
- » public education

TMDL Water Quality Restoration Grant funds are available through periodic legislative appropriations to DEP. The program funds stormwater projects that improve impaired waters.

Applications are accepted year-round and evaluated in March, July and November.

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