

Deadline: April 17, 2023

Mission

La Crosse County seeks to partner with local municipalities and public agencies to mitigate flooding, improve resiliency and protect water quality within the unincorporated areas of the county. La Crosse County Board of Supervisors has prioritized Stormwater Infrastructure by allocating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to this program to be distributed no later than Dec 31st 2026. These funds are to be spent in accordance with ARPA requirements.

Application: Fillable application forms can be found online at: https://www.lacrossecounty.org/landcon

Submitting Your Application: Applications must be emailed to jojohnson@lacrossecounty.org. Submit application in one email if possible and include a list of all attachments in that email. Reduce email size as necessary to ensure submission. Attach files using the 'project title' that is unique to your project and references the organization.

Contact for Questions

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The following information must be received by La Crosse County DLC on or before April 17, 2023. Late or partial applications will not be accepted. A representative authorized by the applicant must execute the signature page of the application in order for it to be accepted. If using the fillable PDF form, the PDF is set up for electronic signature. If you prefer to sign a hard-copy, please print out the signature page separately and scan and email a copy of that page along with the completed electronic application.

Reimbursement(s) will be distributed in accordance with the Grant Agreement. Project timelines will be established in the Grant Agreement.

Eligibility Requirements

The following are the eligibility requirements for the DLC Stormwater (SW) Infrastructure Grant Program:

- Projects must be within the unincorporated areas of La Crosse County (follow this link to confirm: https://lacrossecounty.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html)
- Projects must be designed to meet the mission of this program.
- Applicants must have (or be able to obtain) perpetual ownership or easement over the project site.
- Applicants will not use grant funding to satisfy permit requirements for new development.
- The Applicant must be a public entity able to enter into a grant agreement with La Crosse County. Eligible public entities include municipalities, townships, county agencies, school districts, and other local government organizations.
- The Applicant must agree to maintain and operate the completed project long term.
- The Applicant is responsible for managing all aspects of operation to include, contract administration, project implementation, site maintenance and other requirements of the applicant.
- Plans must be designed by a certified professional.

Applicant Information

| Organization: | |
|------------------|------------|
| Name: | |
| Department: | |
| Street Address: | |
| City: | State:Zip: |
| Primary Contact: | |
| First Name: | Last Name: |
| Title: | |
| Phone: | _Email: |

PROJECT INFORMATION

Please note La Crosse County ranks all project applications on many different criteria including but not limited to Design Retention Capacity (DRC), propensity of nearby flooding (including frequency and severity), number of benefitting flood-prone structures as a result of the project, and cost-effectiveness. La Crosse County values projects that capture rainfall and runoff from adjacent impermeable areas beyond the footprint of the project. La Crosse County has a maximum funding amount of \$50,000 per conceptual and \$500,000 per designed project. No more than 90% of the project costs will be funded by the County. The level of funding commitment by the applicant as well as other funding resources such as grants or state funding are reviewed and considered during the selection process, but do not exclude anyone from consideration if all funding has not been identified at time of application. La Crosse County will only fund that portion of the project that improves water quality and stormwater control.

Project Title:

Project Description:

1. Provide a **brief** description of the proposed project and intended outcome.

Project Location:

| 2. | Street | Address: |
|----|--------|----------|
|----|--------|----------|

| Or nearest Intersection: | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|------|--|
| City: | State: | Zip: | |

3. Provide a map overview of proposed project locations as an attachment.

4. Provide a brief description of the existing site conditions, including how the site is currently used and any existing SW infrastructure.

5. Describe the type and impact of flooding that this project is intended to address (e.g. flooding of roadways, buildings, overland or sewer backup, erosion, etc.). If possible, please estimate depth and width of flooded area. Describe any cost incurred due to damage. Please provide documentation (maps, pictures, call data, etc.) as an attachment.

6. Is the project located on property that is solely owned by the Applicant?

Yes No

If no, please explain how the land rights will be secured for the project:

Project Status:

7. Which stage below most closely describes the project's status? Note that the County will review plans ranging from conceptual to fully completed designs and provide feedback to maximize the project's benefits.

Note: Your application will be scored with other applications of similar status.

□ CONCEPTUAL* — Engineering not yet initiated. Drainage/flooding areas have been identified. Sketches, retention volume estimates, & rough costs developed. (proceed to #20 Financials)

*If awarded, funds are to be used to achieve designed status. Applicant can then apply as a designed project.

□ DESIGNED — Preliminary or final engineered plans, construction details, specifications, cost estimates, & measurable water quality improvements developed.

- 8. Has this project received approval from all necessary units of your organization? For example, those responsible for maintenance and operations. □ Yes □ No *Attach documentation in form of board minutes or agenda to application.*
- 9. To the best of your knowledge, does or will this project require any local, regional, state, or other permits? □ Yes □ No

Please briefly explain your answer below

Project Milestone Dates:

- 11. Estimated Construction Duration:

(calendar days)

Note: Please submit a more detailed anticipated design and construction schedule as an attachment if available.

Project Metrics:

- 12. Estimated Total Drainage Area treated by BMPs: ______sq. ft. or _____acres
- 13. Percentage Impervious Surfaces of area in #12 (Existing Site Conditions):

- 14. Estimated Pounds of Sediment Reduction Provided by all BMPs: _____lbs *Attach report showing calculations.*
- 15. Flow Reduction: Quantify stormwater event flow reduction for 1, 2, 25, and 100 yr storms. *Attach report showing calculations.*
- 16. Do you have any indication of the depth to seasonally high groundwater on this site? □ Yes □ No

If so, please briefly describe below and include any available information as an attachment. If no information of this sort is available, please note that it will be needed in the future if your project is selected.

Public Outreach & Educational Opportunities:

17. Describe any proposed public education and community outreach efforts relating to this project. At a base level, signs and /or plaques with educational information and acknowledgement of the project partners will be required.

For example: fliers, website announcements, signs at installation, library education events, etc

Maintenance:

18. Describe the resources available to maintain the SW Infrastructure including staffing, equipment, and financial resources. Please list previous experience in BMP maintenance, if any. Please provide an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) plan. Note that the O&M will be the responsibility of the applicant, and that an O&M Plan will be a requirement of the Grant Agreement

Please provide the estimated maintenance cost per year for this project. \$_____/yr

Project Finances:

19. Please provide an estimate of the project's capital costs below.

| | Stormwater | Non-Stormwater Project costs | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cost Category | Project Costs | if applicable | Notes |
| | | | This includes construction inspection |
| Engineering | | | and project management |
| Permitting* | | | |
| Construction | | | |
| Land Acquisition* | | | |
| Other | | | |
| Subtotal Project Cost** | | | |
| (sum of the above costs) | | | |
| Total Project Cost | | | |
| (sum of SW and non-SW | | | |
| project costs) | | | |

*Not Eligible for Cost-Sharing

**Keep Stormwater costs separate here

20. Please indicate your planned funding sources below.

| Funding Source | Funding Amount \$ | Status of Funding (Applying/Pledged/Committed) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Applicant Funding | | |
| La Crosse County Funding Request* | | |
| Additional Funding | | |
| (use table below) | | |
| Total Funding ** | | |
| (sum of the above amounts) | | |

Note: Applicant funding of project cost (based on project status) will be considered in application scoring. *Indicate the amount of funding being sought from La Crosse County. No more than 90% of total project funding can come from the County. The maximum funding amount is \$50,000 per conceptual and \$500,000 per designed project. The County reserves the right to award a portion of the requested level of funding. Note that County funding for selected SW Infrastructure projects is in the form of reimbursement of engineering and/or construction related costs only. Land acquisition, operations, maintenance, and other non-stormwater related costs are not eligible for County funding. **Total Project Cost (#19) and Total Funding (#20) should be equal.

Additional funding breakdown:

| | Status of Funding |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Funding Amount \$ | (Applying/Pledged/Committed) |
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| | |
| | Funding Amount \$ |

SIGNATURES

Applicant's Authorized Representative

| First Name: | Last Name: | |
|--|------------|-------|
| Title: | | |
| Organization: | | |
| Project Title: | | |
| Signature of Authorized Representative*: | | Date: |

*Note: Digital signatures are preferred, but if not comfortable digitally signing, two files may be submitted; a digital copy of the full application (unsigned) and a manuallysigned copy of the signature page (scanned and emailed).

By signing above, the applicant acknowledges they understand the following eligibility requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

Please indicate below if you have attached the following documents:

- □ *Map of project locations, highlighting project areas (#3)
- □ *Existing conditions report (#4)
- *Map and supporting documentation of impacted areas. (#5)
 Engineering estimate for conceptual application (#7)
- c Documentation of approvals; meeting minutes etc. (#8)
- Detailed schedule for design and construction (#10 & 11)
- Design plans of the proposed SW BMPs (#12 & 13)
- □ WINSLAMM report (TSS Reduction) or equivalent (#14)
- □ HYDROCAD Report (Flow Control) or equivalent (#15)
- Soil boring logs or other indication of groundwater levels (#16)
 Public outreach materials (#17)
- Operations and Maintenance Plan (#18)
 Construction Estimate for designed application (#19)
 Photos

*Indicates required attachment