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RECLAMATION

Notice of Funding Opportunity No. R25AS00013

WaterSMART

Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for Fiscal Year 2025



Mission Statements

The U.S. Department of the Interior protects and manages the Nation's natural resources and cultural heritage; provides scientific and other information about those resources; and honors its trust responsibilities or special commitments to American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and affiliated Island Communities.

The mission of the Bureau of Reclamation is to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.

Synopsis

Federal Agency Name:	Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Water Resources and Planning Office
Funding Opportunity Title:	WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for Fiscal Year 2025
Announcement Type:	Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
Funding Opportunity Number:	R25AS00013
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:	15.514
Dates: (See NOFO Sec. D.4)	Application Due Date: Paper Submissions: Monday, October 7, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time Online Submissions: Monday, October 7, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time
Eligible Applicants: (See NOFO Sec. C.1)	Applicants eligible to receive financial assistance under this NOFO include: <u>Drought Resiliency Projects: Tasks A-C</u> Category A: States, Tribes, irrigation districts, and water districts; state, regional, or local authorities whose members include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority; and other organizations with water or power delivery authority. Category A applicants must be located in the Western United States or United States Territories, including Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. Category B: Nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership and with the agreement of an entity described in Category A. Category B applicants must be in the United States or one of the Territories identified above. <u>Domestic Water Supply Projects: Task D</u> A State, Tribe, irrigation district, water district, or other organization with water or power delivery in one of the following states or territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Virgin Islands.
Recipient Cost-Share: (See NOFO Sec. C.2)	Domestic Water Supply Projects for Tribes or disadvantaged communities (Task D projects) require a five percent non-Federal cost-share ¹ . All other projects require a non-federal cost-share of at least 50 percent or more of total project costs.
Federal Funding Amount: (See NOFO Sec. B.1)	<u>Drought Resiliency Projects Tasks A-C:</u> Funding Group I: Up to \$750,000 per agreement for a project that can be completed within two years. Funding Group II: Up to \$3,000,000 per agreement for a project that can be completed within three years. Projects in this group may be funded on an annual basis. Funding for the second and third years of the project is contingent upon future appropriations. <u>Domestic Water Supply Projects Task D:</u> Up to \$10,000,000 per agreement that can be completed within three years.
Estimated Number of Agreements to be Awarded: (See NOFO Sec. B.1)	Approximately 20 to 40 projects contingent on available funding.
Intergovernmental Review: (See NOFO Sec. D.5)	An intergovernmental review may be required for applications submissions from a U.S. state or local government prior to submission. Applicants should contact their State's Single Point of Contact to comply with the state's process under Executive Order 12372 .

¹ Non-Federal cost-share for Domestic Water Supply Projects is waivable upon request. See Section C.2 for more information.