



2021 GRANT ROUND

NH DRINKING WATER AND GROUNDWATER TRUST FUND SOURCE WATER PROTECTION GRANTS

The New Hampshire Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) established under RSA 485-F is intended to provide for the protection, preservation, and enhancement of drinking water and groundwater resources of the state. The DWGTF and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) are pleased to announce the 2021 grant round. The Drinking Water and Groundwater Advisory Commission is targeting \$2 million for Source Water Protection grants for this round.

NHDES is soliciting eligibility applications for SOURCE WATER PROTECTION projects that help protect New Hampshire's water supplies through land conservation.

Eligible Applicants: Municipalities, public water systems, land trusts, and other conservation organizations.

Eligible Projects: Permanent protection of undeveloped water supply land, including wellhead protection areas, hydrologic areas of concern, and land that is likely to benefit future public water supply sources.

Eligibility Application: An Eligibility Application Form for 2021 is available at:
https://www4.des.state.nh.us/nh-dwg-trust/?page_id=98.

Eligibility applications must be submitted to NHDES (wslp@des.nh.gov) by: **June 18, 2021.**

Following submittal of an Eligibility Application, the applicant will be notified about the eligibility of the project, including percentage of eligible lands, which can affect the grant funds available for a project.

If the project is considered eligible, the next step is completion of the Funding Application, which requires more specific information about the landowner(s), project costs by category and funding sources.

Funding Application forms for 2021 will be posted on the DWGTF website.

Funding applications must be submitted by: **September 9, 2021.**

Award decisions are expected in early December.

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