

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

ARIZONA WATER PROTECTION FUND

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PRIMARY PURPOSE

- Maintain, Enhance and Restore River, Stream and Riparian Resources
 - Protect/Restore native riparian vegetation and habitat
 - Restore proper hydrologic conditions/functions
 - Restore proper stream geomorphology/channel characteristics
 - Restore floodplains
 - Restore wetlands/backwater areas

SECONDARY PURPOSE

- Benefit Fish and Wildlife Resources
Dependent on River, Stream and Riparian Resources
 - Protect/Restore habitat needs
 - Decrease negative impacts of non-native species
 - Protect/Restore river, stream and riparian resources that will benefit state listed species of special concern
 - Protect/Restore river, stream and riparian resources that will benefit federally listed threatened and endangered (T&E) species, or species of special concern

PROGRAM FUNDING STATUS

- \$5 Million/Year Statutory Mandate
- No General Fund Appropriations Since Fiscal Year 1999
- Currently Dependent Upon In-Lieu Fees
 - Approximately \$1.5 Million in FY-2006
 - Funding Beyond FY-2006 Unknown at This Time

IMPLICATIONS

- Capital projects only
- No \$ available for conservation projects
- No \$ available for research projects
- Fewer AWPf Grants Awarded
- Reduced Amount of Matching Funds to Secure Federal Grants
- Overall Number of Restoration Projects in Arizona May Decline
- Future of Program is Uncertain

FY-2006 Application Timeline

- Applications available March 14, 2005 (on-going)
- Pre-application consultations March 14 – June 10, 2005
- Application workshops March 29 – April 13, 2005
- **Final date and time to submit applications
June 15, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.**
- Staff/Applicant oral presentations to the Commission
September 19 – 20, 2005
- Commission selects applications to be funded October
17, 2005

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