

State Structures Grant

Organization	Vermont Agency of Transportation (Vtrans)
Objective	Maintenance & construction of municipal bridges and culverts
Project Requirements	Municipalities must submit a Town Highway Grant Application
Grant Requirements	20% town match (10% with adopted Roads and Bridge Standards)
Grant Range	Max grant = \$175K.
Application Period	Spring.

Ecosystem Restoration Grant

Organization	VDEC Ecosystem Restoration Program
Objective	Reduce nutrient & sediment from non-point sources
Project Requirements	Many criteria. Culvert assessment and prioritization may be eligible; Replacement/retrofit – not.
Grant Requirements	None
Grant Range	\$10-75K;
Application Period	June 2014

Lake Champlain and Tributaries Restoration Fund

Organization	Vermont Community Foundation
Objective	Protect, restore and enhance ecosystem integrity & connectivity in LC & tributaries
Project Requirements	Non-profits, educational institutes, government.
Grant Requirements	50% match
Grant Range	\$5K-25K, up to \$50K.
Application Period	RFP open in September with a December 2 nd deadline

Environmental Quality incentives Program (EQIP)

Organization	USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service
Objective	Non-point source pollution reduction; Soil erosion/sediment reduction; At-risk species conservation.
Project Requirements	Agricultural producers; non-industrial private forestland; Needs to be private land; Must own or control land; NRCS Technical eval.
Grant Requirements	Contract between USDA & landowner NRCS funds 75% of practice
Grant Range	Limit \$450K for life of farm bill.
Application Period	Fall through spring

Embrace a Stream

Organization	Trout Unlimited
Objective	Coldwater fisheries conservation; improve stream habitat, passage and WQ
Project Requirements	Trout & salmon; TU chapter/council driven partnership
Grant Requirements	Awards funds to TU chapters and councils for coldwater fisheries conservation.
Grant Range	Average award \$5,200 in 2013
Application Period	Nov-Dec

Green Mountain National Forest

Organization	US Forest Service
Objective	Restore soil & WQ by removing/replacing roads, trails, stream Xings.
Project Requirements	Native aquatic species; within GMNF or NF watershed.
Grant Requirements	Challenge Cost Share - 50:50 match; Cooperative Road Agreement - No match
Grant Range	??
Application Period	No set period.

National Fish Passage Program

Organization	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Objective	Voluntary, non-regulatory initiative that provides funding and technical assistance to reconnect aquatic habitat by removing or bypassing barriers.
Project Requirements	Presence of Federal jurisdictional species (e.g. brook trout and/or landlocked Atlantic salmon); and aquatic habitat quality and miles opened. Vermont and the Lake Champlain drainage basin of New York.
Grant Requirements	None, but projects with match will be given greater consideration. In-kind qualifies as match.
Grant Range	\$40-55K
Application Period	Due September 30th

Great Lake Fishery Commission (GLFC)

Organization	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Objective	To support communities and organizations working to improve water quality and enhance the health of threatened ecosystems within the Lake Champlain Basin.
Project Requirements	Evaluation criteria primarily focus on ecological factors; presence of Federal jurisdictional species, primarily brook trout and/or landlocked Atlantic salmon; and aquatic habitat quality and miles opened. Projects must be located within the Lake Champlain drainage basin of Vermont and New York.
Grant Requirements	No match is required, but projects with match will be given greater consideration. In-kind services qualify as match.
Grant Range	Award varies by project, need and yearly allocation.
Application Period	Rolling

Connecticut River Mitigation Enhancement Fund

Organization	New Hampshire Charitable Foundation
Objective	Restoration, protection, and enhancement of the river, wetlands, and shore lands within the Connecticut River (White River & above).
Project Requirements	Project priority areas and evaluation criteria provided.
Grant Requirements	None, higher priority for projects with multiple partners and funding.
Grant Range	\$5 - 500K
Application Period	Concept applications – Nov Invited applicants - Jan

Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture Grant

Organization	National Fish Habitat Action Plan (USFWS)
Objective	Conserve & restore habitat for eastern brook trout populations
Project Requirements	On the ground habitat conservation & improvement; related design & monitoring; No acquisition or easements.
Grant Requirements	1:1 match; Proposed project developed in coordination with USFWS Sponsoring Office.
Grant Range	\$50K max (8-9 projects/yr; ~\$350K/yr 2011-2013)
Application Period	September

Vermont Watershed Grant

Organization	VT DEC & VT F&W
Objective	Water quality, aquatic habitat, recreation, historic/cultural projects.
Project Requirements	Implementation, education or planning.
Grant Requirements	Municipalities, local or regional governmental agencies, nonprofit organizations, and citizen groups.
Grant Range	\$2-15K depending on project category (\$100K available in 2014)
Application Period	Oct-Nov

State Wildlife Grant

Organization	Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife
Objective	AOP - culvert assessments; geomorphic assessment & engineering design;
Project Requirements	Document benefit to Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN)
Grant Requirements	35 % Non-federal match
Grant Range	\$15-30K
Application Period	Year-round depending on fund availability