

Water-Efficient Landscape Grant Application Guide



Northern Water administers grant funding to support water efficient landscape upgrades for commercial entities located within Northern Water’s district boundaries.

The purpose of the application is to provide the evaluation team with an understanding of the applicant’s level of planning and commitment to improving their outdoor water use efficiency through climate appropriate plant selection, design, and irrigation best practices.

All applications must be submitted online [here](#). Applicants are encouraged to complete proposals in Word, save and then transfer the information to the online application. Applicants should print the completed online application and keep a copy on file. The Evaluation Committee is not responsible for any lost proposals. Please note, the online application will not allow applicants to paste tables or charts into text boxes. Please answer all questions in the narrative. If the applicant would like to additionally present information in tables or charts, please prepare your document files ahead of time for easy upload in the final section of the application, Document Uploads.

The following template is available to draft and refine your answers before transferring them to the online application form. Note that questions with bulleted responses listed are multiple choice questions on the online application. Also, note that the Document Uploads page is not visible in the template but will be visible as the final page of the online application form.

Application Information	
Applicant Name: <i>Applicant must have authority to sign contracts on behalf of the property.</i>	
Applicant Title: <i>For example, board member, property manager, owner, etc.</i>	
Applicant Organization or Entity: <i>Legal name per the Colorado Secretary of State</i>	
Address:	
City:	
County:	
State:	
Zip Code:	
Phone 1:	
Phone 2:	
E-mail address:	
Project Install Year:	

Project Information	
Project Name: <i>Please use a specific name for the actual location where the project is taking place and not the overall name for the entity/organization.</i>	

<i>For example, Railroad Park Native Grass Conversion, Willow Creek Pollinator Garden, etc.</i>	
Property Type:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business • HOA • Multi-Family • Municipal • School • Other (please elaborate)
Project Type: <i>Please choose all that apply</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irrigation Upgrade • Landscape Conversion – Low-water Grasses • Landscape Conversion – Low-water Plantings • Landscape Renovation • New Development • Other (please elaborate)
Project Address (if different from applicant):	
Project City (if different from applicant):	
Project County (if different from applicant):	
Project State (if different from applicant):	
Project Zip Code (if different from applicant):	

Project Overview
Project Overview (purpose and need):

Size of project (square feet):	
Is this landscape currently irrigated? <i>Yes or No</i>	
If so, please describe your current system:	
Is the current irrigation system metered? <i>Yes or No</i>	
If applicable, describe any proposed irrigation upgrades:	
What are the anticipated water savings following your project's completion? <i>CF or gallons per month</i>	
Describe the location in regard to its public access and opportunities for education:	

Are you receiving funding support through another source? Yes or No	
If so, please explain: <i>For example, grants, rebates, donations, etc.</i>	
Anticipated start date for the project:	
Anticipated end date for the project:	
Contractors/others involved in the project: <i>For example, landscape designer, landscape installer, irrigation company, maintenance company, etc.</i>	
Do project contractors possess any of the following industry certifications? <i>Please choose all that apply.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irrigation Association • NALP • QWEL • SLM • None • Other (please elaborate)
Amount requested: <i>Dollar amount requested should not exceed \$20,000 and be 50% of the total estimated cost of the project.</i>	\$0.00

Document Uploads

You will have the ability to attach supplemental documents to your online application before submitting it. Supplemental documents are not required as part of your grant application but are encouraged as a means of enhancing your project proposal. Consider compiling the following documents to upload on the last page of your grant application prior to beginning the online application:

- Photos of property and project area
- Project design drawings
- A site map with dimensions
- Cost break-down, including total in-kind services and other funding
- 5 years previous water-use data for project site, if possible
- Estimated water savings calculations
- A five-year maintenance plan for the landscape (irrigation maintenance, plant maintenance, etc.)
- Project approval from board or leadership and proof of communication with community or business equivalent
- Proof of required city permits or documentation that those processes are underway
- Any other information pertinent to the project.