

## GRANT RESOURCES

At the request of the primary municipal partners that participated in the Rein in the Runoff IA project – the Village of Spring Lake, Spring Lake Township, and the City of Ferrysburg – the project team conducted research on potential funding sources to assist these communities with implementation of the Rein in the Runoff project outcomes. The primary research resources used were the Foundation Directory database (<http://fconline.fdncenter.org/>), the Michigan Great Lakes Plan Implementation Workshop’s Near-Term Action Priorities subcommittee review of existing grant and loan programs supporting low impact development, the Grand Valley State University Office of Grants Development and Administration, and the FY2010 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Interagency Funding Guide (Great Lakes Restoration Initiative 2010, <http://greatlakesrestoration.us/action/?p=161>, January 11).

Grant resources were identified by the project team as potential sources of funding for stormwater management, Low Impact Development, or other nonpoint source pollution control projects (Tables 7-2 and 7-3). The resources listed in Tables 7-2 and 7-3 are provided here as a guide to assist local stakeholders with finding potential sources of grant or loan funds. Funding sources or programs not listed in Tables 7-2 or 7-3 should not automatically be excluded as a potential funding source. Each funding source, program, or agency should be contacted directly to determine current funding priorities, application deadlines, and eligibility.

Table 7-2. Potential Sources of Federal Funding for Stormwater Management and Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Projects.

Funding Source	Description	For More Information
<b>Federal Resources</b>		
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative	Funding will be available for FY2010 and FY2011 through multiple federal agencies for Nearshore Health and Nonpoint Source Pollution.	<a href="http://greatlakesrestoration.us/action/?p=161">http://greatlakesrestoration.us/action/?p=161</a>
USDA Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program	USDA Rural Development field Community Programs office administers these funds to certain cities and rural areas to construct and/or modify water, sewer, stormwater, and solid waste disposal facilities. The funds can go towards acquiring land, water sources and water rights, as well as paying the legal and engineering fees associated with the development of these facilities. Only cities with a population of less than 10,000 are eligible for these funds.	<a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/mi/cp/cpmain.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/mi/cp/cpmain.htm</a>  Grand Rapids area office: Rickie Youngblood, Area Director Todd MacLean, RUS Specialist Paul Bristol, CF Specialist 3260 Eagle Park Drive, Suite 107 Grand Rapids, MI 49525 (616) 942-4111, ext. 6 (616) 949-6042 – fax <a href="mailto:todd.maclean@mi.usda.gov">todd.maclean@mi.usda.gov</a> <a href="mailto:paul.bristol@mi.usda.gov">paul.bristol@mi.usda.gov</a>

Table 7-3. Potential Sources of State and Private Funding for Stormwater Management and Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Projects.

Funding Source	Description	For More Information
<b>State Resources</b>		
Michigan Department of Natural Resources & Environment	Clean Water Revolving Fund: MDNRE makes low interest loans to local units of government for the construction of publicly owned wastewater collection/treatment facilities or the construction of nonpoint source water pollution control projects. Projects funded with Recovery Act money can receive some amount of forgiveness of loan principal.	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-7-135-3307_3515_4143---,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-7-135-3307_3515_4143---,00.html</a>
Michigan Department of Natural Resources & Environment	Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) has several programs that could potentially help fund stormwater and nonpoint source pollution problems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean Water Fund (CWF)</li> <li>• Nonpoint Source</li> <li>• Pollution Prevention</li> <li>• Contaminated Sediments</li> <li>• Waterfronts</li> <li>• Local Parks</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-7-135-3307_31116---,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-7-135-3307_31116---,00.html</a>
Michigan Department of Natural Resources & Environment	MDNRE has additional grant and loan programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Water Quality Monitoring Grant</li> <li>• State Revolving Fund</li> <li>• Illicit Connections Grant</li> <li>• Targeted Watershed Grants Program</li> </ul>	<a href="http://michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3307_3515---,00.html">http://michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3307_3515---,00.html</a>
<b>Private Funders</b>		
Freshwater Future	Program and Technical Assistance Grants are small grants for grass-roots, volunteer-based organizations for projects to protect and restore wetlands; restoration activities; land use planning and zoning; or development, implementation and enforcement of local, state, provincial and federal habitat protection regulations.	<a href="http://www.freshwaterfuture.org">http://www.freshwaterfuture.org</a>
Great Lakes Protection Fund	GLPF supports collaborative actions to improve the health of the Great Lakes ecosystem.	<a href="http://www.glpf.org">http://www.glpf.org</a>
Wild Ones Natural Landscape, Inc.	Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education Program provides \$100-\$500 for native plants and seeds to small schoolyard projects that involve student volunteers and teaching about native plants.	<a href="http://www.for-wild.org">www.for-wild.org</a>