

Dear Water Quality Partners,

The Division of Water Quality is accepting pre-proposals for Section 319 and State NPS funding through May 16th.

Pre-proposals must be submitted using the NPS Financial Assistance form found on our website:

[http://www.deq.utah.gov/ProgramsServices/programs/water/nps/NPS\\_Funding.htm](http://www.deq.utah.gov/ProgramsServices/programs/water/nps/NPS_Funding.htm) and submitted to Jim Bowcutt ([jdbowcutt@utah.gov](mailto:jdbowcutt@utah.gov)).

Please provide as much specificity in your pre-proposal as possible including your ability to document the success of your project through monitoring before, during and after project implementation.

The targeted basin for 2017 is the Bear River Watershed although we will be able to use State NPS grants to fund high priority projects in other areas of the state, and encourage everyone that is interested to apply. Funding requests in excess of \$150,000 require Water Quality Board approval.

Key dates for reference:

March 1st, 2016 - DEQ will begin accepting FY-2016 NPS pre-proposals

May 16th, 2016 - Due date for 319 and State NPS pre-proposals

June 10th, 2016 - Grant Recipients Announced

July 1st, 2016 - Full State NPS Proposals Due and State NPS Funding Available for contracting

August 1st, 2016 - Full 319 Proposals Due

Spring 2017 - 319 Funding Available

Please note that applications received are considered for State NPS funding and Section 319 funding. Once your application has been received, the Division of Water Quality will decide which source of funding will be the most appropriate to fund your project.

Pre-proposals should be developed in close coordination with representatives of DWQ. Contacts for your watershed can be found on the following website: <http://www.utahcleanwater.org/find-your-watershed.html>

For project sponsors with existing 319 projects, a brief status report and current project balance must also be included in your application.

A copy of the ranking criteria as well as final project reporting requirements can be found at the following website:

[http://www.deq.utah.gov/ProgramsServices/programs/water/nps/docs/2013/10Oct/FINAL\\_REPORT\\_GUIDANCE\\_FOR\\_319.pdf](http://www.deq.utah.gov/ProgramsServices/programs/water/nps/docs/2013/10Oct/FINAL_REPORT_GUIDANCE_FOR_319.pdf)

For questions please contact

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