

Funding Conditions

Grant Schedules

There are two levels of schedules in a non-competitive SWIG grant: the proposal schedule and the individual project schedule. Proposals may have multiple project award types depending on the number of water infrastructure (utility) systems and partners or project owners party to the proposal. Each water infrastructure system owned and operated by a project owner or grantee is eligible to select one project award type per water infrastructure system type (drinking water, wastewater, or stormwater). Project award types may consist of many individual projects. Individual projects will have independent schedules within the timeframe of an overall proposal schedule.

Proposal schedules establish the grant contract term with start dates of March 3, 2021 and end dates of September 30, 2026. All proposals must have an end date of September 30, 2026 to ensure proper close-out of all activities prior to December 31, 2026. All grant contracts will end by September 30, 2026.

Individual project schedules are dependent on the project award type and the project itself. Grant applicants and project owners need to consider the feasibility of completing an individual project within the limits of the project award type. Individual project schedules should identify start date,

dates of major milestones toward project completion, and end dates based on the deliverables required. Grant applicants must provide the timeline and dates for submission of all deliverables as part of each individual project schedule. ***For a complete checklist of technical information required for standard projects by project award type, see Appendix B.***

TDEC may amend the individual project schedule upon written request and for good cause shown. **Project schedules must include a start date and an end date. These items must be identified in the grant proposal.**

Projects focused on stream and wetland restoration, rehabilitation, or bank stabilization projects will have application and reporting requirements that may differ from traditional infrastructure projects. Depending on the scope and complexity of the activity, pre and post project requirements may align with (or similar to) reporting requirements in the TDEC Stream Mitigation Guidelines utilizing the TN Stream Quantification Tool or TN Rapid Assessment Methods for wetlands. If the proposal contains water resource restoration or rehabilitation, applicants should contact the SWIG program for additional guidance. Projects that will result in an appreciable permanent loss of water resource value, therefore requiring stream or wetland compensatory mitigation as a result of proposed grant activities are not eligible under this grant program.

Reimbursement

A request to be reimbursed for cost incurred for non-competitive SWIG grants shall include only requests for actual, reasonable, and necessary expenditures required in the delivery of service described in the grant contract and identified in the individual project budget. Reimbursement may not include any request for future expenditures. The grant contract term for a reimbursement

request means the time during which the grant applicant may incur new obligations to carry out the work authorized in the grant contract. Grant contracts will start on March 3, 2021 and end on September 30, 2026. Grant applicants may elect to complete their final report early if all contract deliverables are complete and reports are submitted and approved.

A. Investigation and Planning

- The **maximum** allowable reimbursement is 80% of the individual project budget

until the **PER(s) and asset management plan(s) is received and approved** by

TDEC.

B. Investigation, Planning and Design

- The **maximum** allowable reimbursement is 80% of the planning fees in an individual project budget until the **PER(s) is received and approved** by TDEC.

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- The **maximum** allowable reimbursement is 80% of the design fees of an individual project budget until **plans and specifications and asset management plan(s) are received and approved** by TDEC.

C. Planning, Design, and Construction or Construction only

- The **maximum** allowable reimbursement is 80% of the design fees of an individual project until **plans and specifications are received and approved** by

TDEC.

- The **maximum** allowable reimbursement is 90% of the total individual project

costs until an **asset management plan(s) is received and approved and construction is complete, the site has been inspected by TDEC (or designated agent), the facilities are in proper operation, and the project has been approved** by TDEC.