

Low Impact Development Funding Opportunities

Clean Waters Initiative LID Workshop

TCEQ Nonpoint Source Pollution Program

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NPS Program History

- ◆ 1987 Clean Water Act 319(h) NPS Grant Program
- ◆ Purpose – Implement the State’s program for managing NPS pollution
- ◆ Prioritize funding for:
 - ◆ All activities specified in the *Texas Nonpoint Source Management Program*
 - ◆ Development and implementation of watershed based plans in 303(d) listed impaired water bodies

NPS Program Guidance

- ◆ *Texas Nonpoint Source Management Program*
 - ◆ Is jointly developed by the TCEQ and TSSWCB
 - ◆ Outlines Texas' comprehensive management strategy to protect and restore waters impacted by NPS pollution
 - ◆ NPS projects must address the NPS Management Program goals, objectives, and strategy

NPS Program Funding

- ◆ Approximately \$9 million is split between the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) and TCEQ annually
- ◆ TCEQ (Urban and all other NPS pollution)
 - ◆ Activities not specifically required by an MS4 permit (above and beyond what's required)
 - ◆ Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) – 60 day solicitation
 - ◆ Takes approximately one (1) year to initiate projects
 - ◆ Three (3) year term for projects

NPS Resource Funding/Planning

- ◆ Projects should be planned/developed by stakeholders during the development phase of watershed based plans (TMDL I-Plans/WPPs) or before RFGA solicitation
- ◆ Proposed projects should:
 - ◆ Implement NPS BMPs
 - ◆ Further Identify NPS Sources
 - ◆ Monitor/Quantify BMP effectiveness
 - ◆ Provide education/social marketing
- ◆ Priority watersheds can be a buffet for NPS 319(h) grant fundable projects

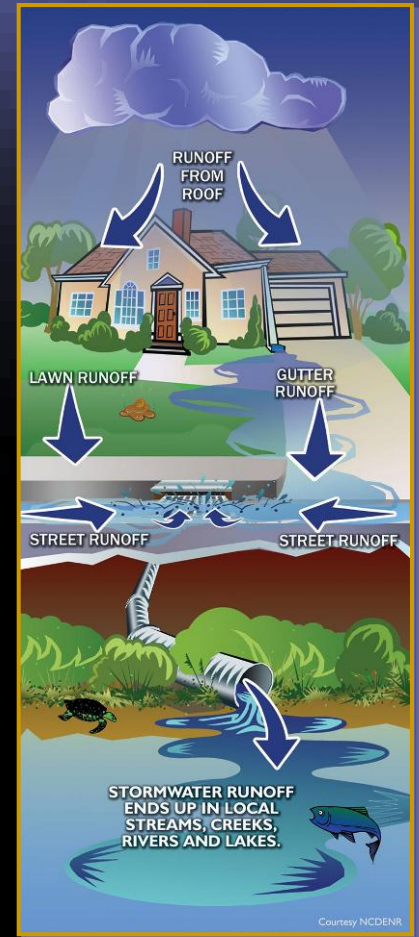


TCEQ NPS Sponsored LID Outreach

- ◆ NPS LID Outreach
 - ◆ Identification of local policies that affect LID
 - ◆ Focused local Workshops
 - ◆ Consultations follow workshops
 - ◆ Obtain local support through guidance and assistance
- ◆ For more detail or discussion contact:
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NPS Program Success

- Success is measured through:
 - Water quality improvements from NPS controls
 - Quantifiable NPS pollutant load reductions
 - Implementation of NPS controls
 - Public education and sustainable action
- Example of Success
 - City of Austin Grow Green Project
 - Public Service Announcements



Questions/Information



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