



## Georgia's Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant FY2020 APPLICATION DEADLINE: **APRIL 30, 2020**

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GAEPD) anticipates receiving a FY2020 Section 319(h) grant to prevent or abate nonpoint source pollution in support of current, revised **2019 Georgia's Nonpoint Source Management Plan**. Using a competitive process, GAEPD will award grant funds to eligible applications that propose to reduce pollutant loads and result in measurable water quality improvements to impaired waters throughout the State.

The grant requires a cost-share ratio of **60% Federal dollars (maximum)** and **40% non-federal match (minimum)** toward the total project cost. The maximum Federal award to any individual project is \$400,000 with no minimum Federal award amount. Proposed project schedules should be completed within three years.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:** Local, State or regional public entities, agencies or authorities that operate public service or delivery programs (e.g. sewer, water); city or county governments that have Qualified Local Government status; county extensions; local school systems; and State colleges and universities.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR FUNDING:** Projects **must** meet **all three** minimum requirements:

1. **Implement existing watershed-based/watershed management plans** that adequately address USEPA's Nine Elements for Watershed Planning;
2. **Focus on a 10-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC-10) or smaller watershed;**
3. **Commit to a minimum 40% non-federal match.**

**ELIGIBLE PROJECT EXAMPLES:** green infrastructure/low impact development projects; watershed hydrology restoration; urban stormwater controls not included in NPDES permits; agricultural BMPs; education and training; water quality monitoring to evaluate success of BMPs; and lake/pond dredging as long as ALL contributing sediment sources have been corrected.

### TO APPLY:

- Attend the scheduled Pre-application Meeting Webinar (required) - webinar information also contained within current FY2020 Guidelines
- Use the current FY2020 Application and Guidelines found at: <http://epd.georgia.gov/section-319h-georgias-nonpoint-source-implementation-grant>
- Arrange a voluntary individual pre-application meeting for review of project proposal (optional)

**CONTACT:** To inquire about potential projects or to schedule a conference call, contact Joyce McClain at [joyce.mcclain@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:joyce.mcclain@dnr.ga.gov) or 404-651-8525.

### Section 319(h) Grant Timeline

- **January 2020:** GAEPD issues the call for proposals
- **March 19, 2020:** Pre-application Meeting Webinar (required)
- **March 31, 2020:** Last day to submit DRAFT proposals for GAEPD written review (optional)
- **April 30, 2020:** Deadline to email digital applications to GAEPD
- **Summer 2020:** Grant award selection
- **Summer 2020:** GAEPD notifies applicants of grant award
- **Fall 2020:** GAEPD and grant recipients finalize project scope of work
- **Fall 2020:** GAEPD and grant recipients execute contract and project begins