

LORAIN COUNTY STORM WATER DISTRICT

GUIDELINES FOR STORM WATER PLANNING GRANT

Planning Grants will be awarded on a first come/first serve basis throughout each fiscal year and must meet specified criteria in order to be considered for award. Grant awards range from \$1,000 - \$4,000, with a total distribution of \$20,000 per year. Funding will be awarded to the Townships within Lorain County for investigating and planning projects that protect, improve and/or restore stormwater infrastructure within Lorain County. In order to be eligible, the following requirements shall be met:

1. Applicant must be a Lorain County Township.
2. Potential Project shall provide a public stormwater benefit.
3. Funding shall provide for investigation into a drainage issue, flood complaints, road erosion etc. that needs addressed but the causes have not yet been determined.
4. There shall be a 20% minimum financial match of the total dollars from the Township.
5. The Township shall provide documentation of the area to be investigated.

Planning Grants May Be Used For:

1. Hiring Professional Consultants; engineers, surveyors, environmental consultants, or reimbursing County Engineer if they have time to conduct work
2. CCTV work
3. Investigating to create a more competitive SWAC Project Application

Planning Grants May **NOT** be used for:

1. Storm infrastructure repairs/replacement;
2. Minor flood mitigation;
3. Erosion repair;
4. Bank stabilization;
5. Storm water quality or green infrastructure improvement;
6. Illicit discharge elimination.
7. Cleaning Ditches

Planning Grant Project **Thresholds** must meet at least one of the following:

1. Impacts 100 acres or more
2. Estimated to impact 20+ homes
3. Documented property damages (insurance claim, photos, newspaper clipping, other)
4. Repeated crop losses outside of floodplain

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APPLICATION FOR PLANNING GRANT Fiscal Year 2025

TOWNSHIP: _____

CONTACT: _____ **PHONE #**(_____)_____

(Contact person should be the individual who will be available during business hours and who can best answer or coordinate the response to questions)

FAX: (_____) _____ **E-MAIL:** _____

1.0 PROJECT INFORMATION

If the project is multi-jurisdictional, information must be consolidated in this section.

1.1 PROJECT NAME: _____

1.2 BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION – (Sections A through D):

A. SPECIFIC LOCATION & OWNERSHIP/SITE CONTROL Attach Map:

B. STATEMENT OF NEED (Why is the Planning Grant needed?) Attach Photos

C. PROJECT COMPONENTS & PHYSICAL DIMENSION:

D. PUBLIC STORMWATER BENEFIT (How will the project provide a stormwater benefit?)

2.0 PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2.1 PROJECT ESTIMATED COSTS: (Round to Nearest Dollar)	Total Dollars	Local Dollars
a.) Planning Costs:	\$ _____	\$ _____
b.) Equipment Purchased Directly or Leased:	\$ _____	\$ _____
c.) Professional Consultant Costs:	\$ _____	\$ _____
d.) TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:	\$ _____	\$ _____
e.) % Local Match		<u> % </u>

3.0 PROJECT SCHEDULE:

3.1 Procurement and Award:	BEGIN DATE	END DATE
	____ / ____ / ____	____ / ____ / ____

4.0 APPLICANT CERTIFICATION:

The undersigned certifies: (1) he/she is legally authorized to request and accept financial assistance from the Lorain County Storm Water District; (2) to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, all representations that are part of this application are true and correct; (3) all official documents and commitments of the applicant that are part of this application have been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant; and, (4) should the requested financial assistance be provided, that in the execution of this project, the applicant will comply with all assurances required by Ohio Law, including those involving Buy Ohio and prevailing wages.

Certifying Representatives (Types or Print Name and Title)

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Original Signatures / Date Signed