

## **Summary of Changes to UNPS&SW Construction Grant and Small-Scale Urban TMDL TRM Grant Instructions 2025 Funding Cycle**

The following revisions were made in all grant application instructions.

- Minor errors discovered in the last grant cycle were corrected.
- Scoring criteria were clarified.
- Water Quality Need Question: Watershed Protection Priority is now replacing from Healthy vulnerable Watershed. Instructions and information were updated.
- Field Evaluation Monitoring Question: This question was standardized for all grant types. Details about an acceptable monitoring strategy were added.
- Disadvantaged community bonus points will also be given if the project falls within tribal lands. A link to the updated Intended Use Plan will be included. No changes were made to the calculations for Principal Forgiveness.
- Clarified language about Draft DNR-approved TMDLs being eligible as a TMDL.
- Clarified budget table scoring criteria for practices such as cropping and high efficiency street sweepers.

The following revisions were made in the UNPS-Construction application instructions.

- Added disadvantaged community bonus points section (Question 7).
- Updated Question 1E: cost-effectiveness scoring criteria.
- Updated Question 5: extent of pollution control.
- Updated Question 6: evidence of local support scoring criteria.

The following revision was made in the Small-Scale Urban TMDL TRM application instructions.

- Updated Question 7: local support to be more consistent with Question 6 in the UNPS-Construction application.