

Section 319 Grant - Project Proposal

Project Proposals are due Friday July 27, 2012

Project Title Park County Natural Resource Education and Outreach	n Program
Project Spons	or Information
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Project Funding	Nonpoint Source (NPS) Information
319 Funds Requested \$17,730.00	319 Project Category Education and Outreach
Matching Funds	Functional Category Local (Specific Target) Education/Inform
State Match	1st Pollution Category Other (Groundwater Loadings)
State In-Kind Match \$3,780.00	2nd Pollution Category
Local Match \$5,440.00	3rd Pollution Category
Other Match \$3,150.00	Waterbody Type Other
Total Matching Funds \$12,370.00	Is waterbody on the 2012 Impaired Waters List? Yes
Other Federal Funds	Project Location
Total Project Budget \$30,100.00	Statewide If project is not statewide, please complete the rest of this section.
Advance Requested* \$0 Administrative Fee \$1,785.00	Does project implement a TMDL?
*Advances require additional justification and DEQ approval.	Watershed Name or HUC # 10070003
Does the project sponsor have any open 319 contracts? No	TMDL Planning Area
Project Title	Project 1 Name
DEQ Contract Number	Latitude (1) Longitude (1)
319 Award	Project 2 Name
Projected Closing Date	Latitude (2) Longitude (2)
Project Title	Project 3 Name
DEQ Contract Number	Latitude (3) Longitude (3)
319 Award	Project 4 Name
Projected Closing Date	Latitude (4) Longitude (4)

Project Description

Methods: Please describe the specific activities of this project.

The specific activities of this project include public outreach events in Livingston and Shields Valley within Park County and will address specific priorities during targeted public outreach campaigns including development issues and NPS prevention measures associated with the relatively unpolluted waters of the Shields Valley Watershed; and, educational presentations to high school students regarding area geology and watershed concerns, NPS pollution and oil and gas industry impacts - both environmentally and economically.

Objectives: Please describe the specific/measurable objectives that will ensure the achievement of the project goal(s).

The project addresses the NPS education and outreach goals for developing and implementing educational campaigns and expanding watershed and NPS awareness in schools. Anticipated objectives of the Park County Natural Resource Education and Outreach Program include development, implementation and facilitation of 6 public outreach workshops (two per year) and 6 high school presentations (two per year) over the course of the proposed three-year project period. The goal is to provide information (orally and with handouts and web links) to at least 40 attendees at each of the public workshops (240 minimum for total project period) and to at least 50 high school students per year (150 minimum for total project period).

Overview: Please provide a brief background of the proposed project.

Impacts of oil and gas development on water quality are a growing concern across much of the United States. As bordering states increase oil and gas production and test wells continue to be drilled in various parts of Montana, area and regional concerns have grown prevalent in the Park County area. Stormwater runoff from construction activities, the volume and contamination of the water used during hydraulic fracturing and pollution from leaking pits used for storage of the fracking water used during the extraction of natural gas are of particular concern, especially as it effects the Shields River Watershed. Public relations outreach programs and presentations will be designed to address all significant sources of NPS pollution with special emphasis on oil and gas extraction, best management practices as well as the significance and viability of the oil and gas industry in Montana. Collaboration between several interested stakeholders will bring strength and expertise to the development and implementation of this project. Information from current and future baseline water quality sampling projects in the Shields Valley Watershed with data currently being collected by the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology will be utilized at public meeting workshops as well as in high school presentations. Other collaborators and contributors to this project will include Joe Brooks Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation, MSU/ Park County Extension Office, Park Conservation District, Park County Environmental Council, Shields Valley Watershed Group and Wildlife Conservation Society. Industry experts from the oil and gas industry, including Bill Barrett Corporation and Devon Energy, will also be asked to provide advisory and speaking representatives to participate in forums to communicate the essential role the industry plays and current best management practices associated with balancing pollution and natural resource protection while providing energy and products that contribute to economic growth. Letters in support of, and commitment to this project, from various stakeholders, will be provided with the final application. The Shields Valley Watershed Group (SVWG) is working in conjunction with the Bureau of Mines and Geology at Montana Tech to conduct baseline groundwater monitoring through the Groundwater Assessment Program, the Groundwater Characterization Program and supplemental grants to be applied for by SVWG. Year 1 workshops and presentations will introduce the sampling processes and a summary of any findings to date. Year 2 presentations will include preliminary results analysis from sampling data. Year 3 presentations will include final results of sampling efforts.

Monitoring: Please briefly describe the monitoring component of this proposal.

Although actual sampling will not be performed as a part of this funding request for assistance, the results of the water quality monitoring currently being gathered will be a major component of information presented at workshops and presentations. Public perception and/or knowledge gained of the topics covered at each workshop will be monitored to prepare for future project period adjustments to presentations and handout materials and for use in future projects and programs.

Education and Outreach: Please briefly describe the education and outreach component of this proposal and the target audience.

Two education and outreach components of this project include at least two public meetings per year in the each of the three years of the project period. The target audience of these meetings will include civic group representatives, environmental and watershed agency officials, industry representatives, landowners and community members. Classroom presentations at two local high schools will occur twice per year in each of the three years of the project period targeting high school science students.

Collaborative Effort: Please briefly describe project partners. Include other agencies, organizations and private citizens and their role in this project.

Partner	Role
MSU/Park County Extension	Education and outreach coordination, implementation and facilitation and networking.
Park County Environmental Council	Advisory role for all project education and outreach activities.
Shields Valley Watershed Group	Advisory role for all project education and outreach activities.
Wildlife Conservation Society	Advisory role for all project education and outreach activities.

Scope of Work- Outline

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Task 1 Title Public Ou	utreach Workshop Pre	paration, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 1	
319 Funds	\$4,425.00	Description Development, implementation, planning and facilitation of two one-half day workshops to	
Non-Federal Match	\$3,459.00	include a one-hour forum with industry and agency officials, landowners and stakeholders; three 1/2 hour presentations by agency experts; and one hour of social networking	
Other Federal Funds		activities. Refreshments, handouts and links to presentation materials will be provided. Video recording of all workshop events will be posted to the unique Park County Natural	
Total Cost	\$7,884.00	Resource Education and Outreach page and linked to all other project collaborators. Workshops will take place in Shields Valley and Livingston, Montana, held within two	
Timeline Q2/FY13 - Q2	2/FY14	months of each other.	
Task 2 Title Area Higl	h School Outreach Pre	sentation Preparation, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 1	
319 Funds	\$650.00	Description Development, implementation, planning and facilitation of two, one-hour presentations to	
Non-Federal Match	\$1,398.00	Shields Valley and Park High School science students. Presentation topics will include area geology, natural resource extraction practices, watershed and non-point source pollution	
Other Federal Funds		concerns, public involvement, emerging environmental requirements and the balance between natural resource protection and industry extraction. Handouts and links to	
Total Cost	\$2,048.00	presentation materials will be provided. Video recording of presentations will be posted to the unique Park County Natural Resource Education and Outreach page and linked to all	
Timeline Q2/FY13 - Q2	2/FY14	other project collaborators and participating schools.	
Task 3 Title Public Ou	utreach Workshop Pre	paration, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 2	
319 Funds	\$4,425.00	Description Implementation and facilitation of two one-half day workshops to include a one-hour	
Non-Federal Match	\$2,502.00	forum with industry and agency officials, landowners and stakeholders; presentations by agency experts; and one hour of social networking activities. Refreshments, handouts and	
Other Federal Funds		links to presentation materials will be provided. Video recording of all workshop events will be posted to the unique Park County Natural Resource Education and Outreach link	
Total Cost	\$6,927.00	and linked to all other project collaborators. Workshops will take place in Shields Valley and Livingston, Montana. Adjustments will be made to past workshop agenda items in	
Timeline Q2/FY14 - Q2	2/FY15	order to maximize the success of the NPS education program.	
Task 4 Title Area Higl	h School Outreach Pre	sentation Preparation, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 2	
319 Funds	\$650.00	Description Planning and facilitation of two one hour presentations to Shields Valley and Park High	
Non-Federal Match	\$1,051.00	Planning and facilitation of two, one-hour presentations to Shields Valley and Park High School science students. Presentation topics will include area geology, natural resource extraction practices, watershed and non-point source pollution concerns, public	
Other Federal Funds		involvement, emerging environmental requirements and the balance between natural resource protection and industry extraction. Handouts and links to presentation materials	
Total Cost	\$1,701.00	will be provided. Video recording of presentations will be posted to the Park Co. Natural Resource Educ. and Outreach page and linked to project collaborators and participating	
Timeline Q2/FY14 - Q2	2/FY15	schools. Adjustments will be made to the previous year's presentations as needed.	
Task 5 Title Public Ou	utreach Workshop Pre	paration, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 3	
319 Funds	\$4,425.00	Description Implementation and facilitation of two one-half day workshops to include a one-hour	
Non-Federal Match	\$2,214.00	forum with industry and agency officials, landowners and stakeholders; presentations by agency experts; and one hour of social networking activities. Refreshments, handouts and	
Other Federal Funds		links to presentation materials will be provided. Video recording of all workshop events will be posted to the unique Park County Natural Resource Education and Outreach link	
Total Cost	¢6,630,00	and linked to all other project collaborators. Workshops will take place in Shields Valley	

and Livingston, Montana. Adjustments will be made to past workshop agenda items in

order to maximize the success of the NPS education program.

\$6,639.00

Total Cost

Timeline Q2/FY15 - Q4/FY15

Task 6 Title Area Hi	igh School Outreach Pre	esentation Preparation, Implementation and Facilitation - Year 3
319 Funds	\$650.00	Description
Non-Federal Match	\$771.00	Planning and facilitation of two, one-hour presentations to Shields Valley and Park High School science students. Presentation topics will include area geology, natural resource extraction practices, watershed and non-point source pollution concerns, public
Other Federal Funds	5	involvement, emerging environmental requirements and the balance between natural resource protection and industry extraction. Handouts and links to presentation materials
Total Cost	\$1,421.00	will be provided. Video recording of presentations will be posted to the Park Co. Natural Resource Educ. and Outreach page and linked to project collaborators and participating schools. Adjustments will be made to the previous year's presentations as needed.
Timeline Q2/FY15 -	Q4/FY15	schools. Adjustments will be made to the previous years presentations as needed.
Task 7 Title Media U	Updates and Website N	laintenance
319 Funds	\$720.00	Description
Non-Federal Match	\$650.00	Project meeting information - both for upcoming meetings and presentations and summaries of past meetings and presentations - will be included in a unique page on the Park County website and linked to project collaborator websites. Media updates will
Other Federal Funds		include opinion editorials, press releases and public service announcements. Materials will be available for civic clubs, schools and other interested stakeholders and parties. Park
Total Cost	\$1,370.00	County Information Technology staff will maintain and update the Park County Natural Resources Education and Outreach Program page and link to other project collaborator websites.
Timeline Q2/FY13 - 0	Q4/FY15	
Task 8 Title Grant a	nd Project Administrat	ion and Reporting
319 Funds	\$1,785.00	Description The project will be completed on time, in accordance with the milestone table and with all
Non-Federal Match	\$325.00	DEQ reporting requirements fulfilled. The administrative team is aware of quarterly, annual and final report submittal requirements and that status reports must accompany
Other Federal Funds	5	reimbursement requests. All presentation and outreach materials will be made available for inclusion on the MT DEQ website.
Total Cost	\$2,110.00	
Timeline Q2/FY13 -	Q4/FY15	
Task 9 Title		
319 Funds		Description
Non-Federal Match		
Other Federal Funds		
Total Cost		
Timeline		
Comments: Please u	use the space provided	for any additional information that may not have been captured by this application form.
At each workshop a	nd high school present	ation, pre-sampling information, preliminary data and final data will be highlighted based on orts at the time of the presentations. Three sets of workshops and presentations for the three

year project period will allow for dissemination of all sampling results and forum discussion topics regarding results and NPS concerns

with oil and gas extraction.

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