

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

FEDERAL FUNDING OVERVIEW

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DIVISION OF FORESTRY FEDERAL FUNDING OVERVIEW

- Existing “Core” funding
- New funding opportunities
 - Sources
 - Timelines
 - Focus

“CORE” FS FUNDING

This FY, DNR is receiving \$2,283,437 from the FS

- \$195,000 for Forest Health
- \$211,000 for Stewardship
- \$50,000 for Forest Legacy
- \$1,410,937 for Fire
- \$416,500 for Urban Forestry

Details:

- 1:1 match
- 5 year agreement
- Funding levels vary

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- AtBC = America the Beautiful Challenge Grant
- BIL = Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- IIJA = Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act (same as BIL)
- IRA = Inflation Reduction Act

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL CHALLENGE GRANT

- \$440 million over five years for grants to be administered by NFWF (National Fish and Wildlife Foundation)
- First call for grants in 2022
- WI DNR submitted 5 proposals, including 2 from Forestry
- None were successful

BIL/IIJA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- *State Forest Action Plan Implementation Funds*
 - \$531,000/year to WI DNR
 - Covers a variety of program needs
 - Submitted proposal & approved
 - Waiting award confirmation
- *Revegetation Funding RFI*
 - \$160,000/year to WI DNR
 - Focused on tree improvement & seed cleaning
 - Submitted proposal & approved
 - Waiting for award confirmation

BIL/IIJA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- *Fire Funding*
 - \$50,000 to Community Wildfire Defense Grants
 - \$230,892 to State Fire Assistance
 - \$71,530 to Volunteer Fire Assistance
 - Submitted proposal & approved
 - Waiting award confirmation
- *Forest Health State Capacity Funding*
 - \$28,000/year to WI DNR
 - Supplement WMA grants program
 - Submitted proposal

BIL/IIJA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- *Forest Health High-Priority Invasive Species Projects*
 - \$1.785M available each year
 - Forestry departments, colleges & nonprofits eligible
 - Applications due 2/3
- *Temporary Bridge Funding Funding*
 - \$8M available each year
 - \$175,000 award cap
 - Worked with GLTPA on proposal
 - Submitted proposal to purchase timber mats and temporary bridges for use around the state

IRA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- *Urban and Community Forestry*
 - \$1.5B available over 5 years
 - State proposals due 2/23
 - No award cap
 - One time award
 - Partnering with variety of groups, including UWEX, UWSP, technical colleges, and more
 - Looking at a potential request of \$15 to \$30 million

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