



Delaware River Restoration Fund

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Bog turtle

OVERVIEW

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the William Penn Foundation announced a 2022-year round of funding for Delaware River Restoration Fund projects. Nine new restoration grants totaling \$2 million were awarded. The nine awards announced generated \$1.8 million in match from the grantees, providing a total conservation impact of \$3.8 million.

As part of the broader Delaware River Watershed Initiative (DRWI), the William Penn Foundation has provided more than \$18.6 million in grant funding since 2014 for NFWF to administer competitively through its Delaware River Restoration Fund. The goal of these grants is to improve water quality in targeted regions throughout the Delaware River watershed. These projects also address habitat restoration and conservation priorities in NFWF's Delaware River Watershed Business Plan.

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Delaware River in New Jersey

NEW JERSEY

Implementing Effective Best Management Practices through the AgAssist Program in New Jersey (NJ)

Grantee: North Jersey RC&D Area

Grant Amount:..... \$250,500
 Matching Funds:..... \$110,000
 Total Project Amount: \$360,500

Address agricultural runoff by administering the AgAssist Conservation and Commitment Program in the New Jersey Highlands Cluster geography of the DRWI. Project will efficiently, equitably and effectively deliver technical and financial assistance to farmers by implementing best management practices that improve and protect water quality.

Strategic Use of Green Infrastructure to Manage Untreated Runoff in Parvin Tarkiln Focus Area (NJ)

Grantee: Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissioners

Grant Amount:..... \$300,000
 Matching Funds:..... \$158,100
 Total Project Amount: \$458,100

Install green stormwater infrastructure projects and restore forested wetlands in the Kirkwood Cohansey Cluster geography of the DRWI. Project will include restoration of forested wetlands, installation of a bioretention system, and installation of tree pits and extended tree trenches, addressing water quality and biological impairments in the region.

PENNSYLVANIA

Agricultural Best Management Practices and Forested Buffers in Brandywine-Christina Focus Areas (PA)

Grantee: Stroud Water Research Center

Grant Amount:..... \$300,000
 Matching Funds:..... \$300,000
 Total Project Amount: \$600,000

Implement whole farm agricultural best management practices on three horse farms and plan for future restoration efforts in the Brandywine-Christina Cluster geography of the DRWI. Project will address the major restoration needs in the West Branch Red Clay Creek watershed and support planning for major renovations to the dairy center and associated agricultural lands, resulting in the restoration of scores of acres of forested buffers and upland forests expected.

East Branch Red Clay Stream Restoration at North Walnut Road (PA)

Grantee: Brandywine Red Clay Alliance

Grant Amount:..... \$239,800
 Matching Funds:..... \$52,000
 Total Project Amount: \$291,800

Address steeply eroding stream banks and lack of riparian buffer along 5,470 linear feet of stream including instream restoration on a severely degraded, impaired reach of stream and riparian buffer plantings. Project will measurably improve water quality by lowering nitrogen, phosphorus and sediment inputs to the stream channel and increasing filtration of fertilizers, chemicals, sediment, and pesticides through the riparian buffer resulting in a greater diversity of aquatic life.

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Fulmor Heights Green Riparian Restoration: Phase II (PA)

Grantee: Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
 Grant Amount:..... \$151,300
 Matching Funds:..... \$114,100
 Total Project Amount: \$265,400

Implement the second phase of a stormwater management plan in Fulmor Heights, Pennsylvania. Project will improve water quality and the quality of life for residents through riparian restoration and streambank stabilization, transforming the space into a park-like recreation space.

Implementing Whole Farm Agricultural Best Management Practices in the Middle Schuylkill Cluster (PA)

Grantee: Berks Nature
 Grant Amount:..... \$270,000
 Matching Funds:..... \$625,900
 Total Project Amount: \$895,900

Install whole farm agricultural best management practices on farms located in priority focus areas within the Middle Schuylkill Cluster geography of the DRWI. Project will play a role in a larger watershed approach, addressing a critical mass of agricultural restoration initiatives.



Brook trout

Introducing Stormwater Management to the Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel Community (PA)

Grantee: Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership
 Grant Amount \$84,300
 Matching Funds:..... \$267,900
 Total Project Amount: \$352,200

Install green stormwater infrastructure at the Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel parking lot in Cheltenham Township, Pennsylvania. Project will retrofit the parking lot to reduce impervious cover and install two bioretention features to slow the movement of water on the property and reduce nonpoint source pollutants.

Pickering Valley Green Stormwater Infrastructure in the Schuylkill Highlands (PA)

Grantee: Partnership for the Delaware Estuary
 Grant Amount:..... \$168,300
 Matching Funds:..... \$65,000
 Total Project Amount: \$233,300

Implement green infrastructure practices at the site of the Pickering Valley Farm and Feed store in Lionville, Pennsylvania. Project will initiate a green infrastructure master plan that has been developed for the site, ultimately reducing flooding, erosion, and water pollution.

Shoemaker Run Stream Restoration at Abington Club Golf Course (PA)

Grantee: Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership
 Grant Amount:..... \$244,800
 Matching Funds:..... \$110,100
 Total Project Amount: \$354,900

Install green stormwater infrastructure to reduce impacts from high velocity stormwater runoff at the Abington Club golf course in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania. Project will mitigate impacts from upstream development and accelerated erosion through instream restoration, stabilization of stream buffers, and engagement of local volunteers through tree plantings.



Saltmarsh sparrow