



2018 Innovation Grant - Instructions

1. A total of \$20,000 is available in 2018 to fund low-cost phosphorus reduction practices.
2. The maximum award for any single project is expected to be \$10,000.
3. Projects should be relatively new or untested, and have compelling value as a test case. The applicant must describe why the proposed project is innovative and how it could benefit the Yahara WINS effort.
4. The applicant must describe the methods used to estimate/quantify the phosphorus reduction expected from the innovative practice and provide rationale for using that process to estimate the phosphorus reduction.
5. **Applications will be accepted by email to kathyl@madsewer.org until May 18. Email subject shall be "Proposal for 2018 Yahara WINS Innovation Grant."**
6. If funding remains after the initial review, applications received after the May 18, 2018 deadline will be considered.
7. Project ranking is intended to be based on the potential significance of the project relating to phosphorus reductions in the Yahara Watershed immediately and in the future; the feasibility of the project and the ability to quantify future reductions.
8. Application(s) that would be partially-funded when all funds are exhausted will be offered the remaining funds (or an equal share of the remaining funds, in the case of a tie).
9. Since this program aims to increase phosphorus reduction through innovation, awardees will develop a case study about the project. Prior to final payment, funded entities will submit a summary of their project including:
 - The actual cost of the project and number of pounds of phosphorus reduced by the project;
 - A description of the method used to calculate phosphorus reductions and a revised calculation of the potential phosphorus reduction from the funded activity and the associated cost;
 - A description of the viability of the funded activity to cost-effectively reduce phosphorus runoff in the Yahara basin, any potential partners and any barriers or conditions to viability uncovered during the project;
 - Recommendations for other entities that may attempt the same or similar innovative practices in the watershed, based on observations and experience in project implementation;
 - A description of challenges experienced with project planning, implementation and/or verification; and
 - Photos of the project (if applicable).
10. The first 50 percent of the awarded cost incurred will be reimbursed to applicants, based on copies of invoices for project expenses. The remaining reimbursement will be provided once the case study (including case study and photos) is submitted to Yahara WINS (c/o Kathy Lake, kathyl@madsewer.org)
11. Questions? Please contact Kathy Lake at 608-222-1201, ext. 278 or kathyl@madsewer.org

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1. Organization:

2. Description of project:

3. Why is this project innovative?

4. How will phosphorus reductions be achieved and quantified?

5. How many pounds of phosphorus loss do you expect to be reduced? Please look at this from both the immediate project (funded by this grant) as well as the future impact of this on the phosphorus in the watershed:
 - a. How many pounds of phosphorus loss do you expect that this specific project will reduce?

 - b. What is the potential future impact of this project for the Yahara Watershed?

6. What information, past experience and/or other insight has led you to test this approach?

7. Who will be involved? (organizations and/or individuals)

8. Is there any permitting involved? Yes/No
 - a. If yes, when do you expect that all permits will be received? _____

9. Will the project be completed by December 31, 2018? Yes____No_____

10. Will the project be completed by December 31, 2019? Yes____No_____

11. **Total dollars requested:** _____ **dollars**

12. Will the project be located in the Yahara Watershed? Yes____No_____
 - a. If yes, which TMDL reach(es) (see Figure 1)? _____

b. Does the project have potential to reduce phosphorus runoff now or in the future for Reaches 62, 63, or 64? Yes____ No_____ (If no, please discuss in last field below)

13. Would you accept partial funding? Yes____ No_____

14. Project contact information:

a. Name _____

b. Municipality or organization_____

c. Email address _____

d. Telephone number _____

Certification: The person noted below certifies that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge. As a participant in a pilot project, the person noted below understands that the review committee reserves the right to work with applicants to develop a clearer understanding of the projects as well as cost opinions and projected phosphorus reductions.

Responsible Party: _____ Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Return completed applications by May 18, 2018 to Kathy Lake, kathyl@madsewer.org. Please include the email subject line, "Proposal for 2018 Yahara WINS Innovation Grant."

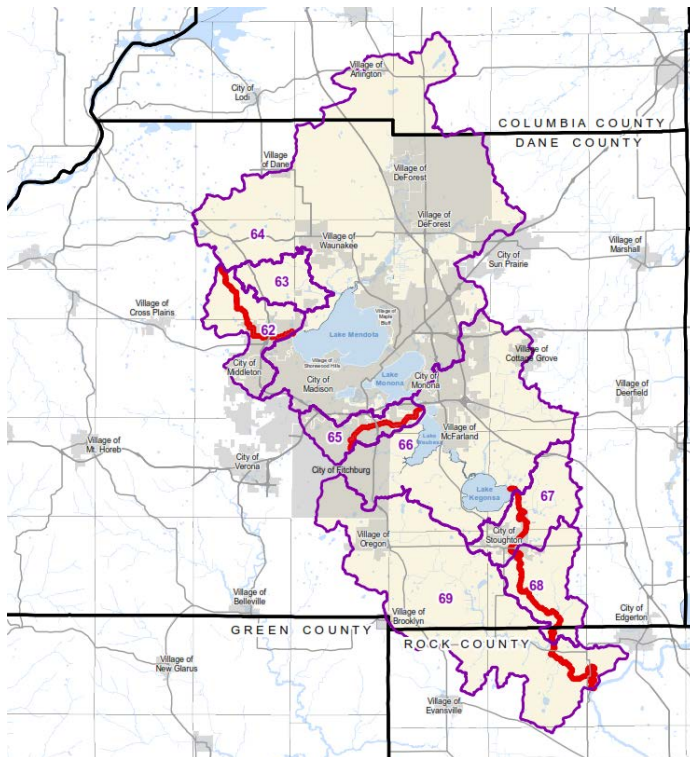


Figure 1 - Yahara River TMDL Reaches

Additional Information or continuation of previous answers (attach additional pages as needed):