

Commission Community Challenge Grant:

2 Programs: Regional Grants: \$70,000 (up to \$10,000/region)

Statewide Grants: \$30,000

Competitive proposals will be evaluated on the following:

- Address a high priority management need with more points awarded to projects that meet multiple priorities
- High likelihood of success and success metrics are clearly stated
- Cost of project justifies expected results
- Project has strong community/sportsmen support
- Project outcomes should be consistent with IDFG mission and identified needs
- Project proponent's (organization submitting the proposal) mission and actions are consistent with IDFG mission and objectives
- Matching Required: cash or in-kind. **Note:** A graduated scale of point factoring for level of cost share (e.g., no cost share – ineligible; <1:1 counts for 1 point; between 1:1 and 2:1 for 2 points; and equal to or more than 2:1 for 3 points).

Proposal Review Matrix: a matrix is attached. The matrix is designed to help inform the selection process, not dictate it. Other factors relevant to the decision (e.g. entities debarred from being eligible for federal grants) may be used to determine the final selection.

Regional Grants: competitive grant of up to \$10,000 for each region (multiple grants can be awarded within region)

Selection Committee: Regional Commissioner, RS, regional program manager (RHM, RWM, RFM, RCO, RCE, or ESB)

Statewide Grant: (1 to 3) competitive grants totaling up to \$30,000 (these grants shall be awarded based on project scope and outcome relative to delivering regional or state-wide benefits.)

Selection Committee: Commission Chair and Vice Chair and (1) RS, BC and DO representative respectively

Regional and Statewide Grants:

Eligible Applicants: Any officially recognized non-profit (e.g. 501C[X]), business (e.g. state/federal tax ID number), corporation, or recognized regional/state/national sporting organization (e.g. Ducks Unlimited, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation). Private individuals are not eligible for funding.

Application Period: March 1-April 15

Selection and Grant Award: May Commission Meeting

Project Funding: July 1 through June 30 (fiscal year starting subsequent to May approval)

Grant Duration: 12 months; grants may be extended at Commission discretion and based on spending authority

Outcome Reporting: Successful grantees will submit a final completion report, including a detailed expenditure summary report. The host region will work with successful grantees to conduct outreach on project progress and outcomes. When practicable, successful grantees would present their project during a regularly scheduled commission meeting.