

Elm Creek  
Watershed Management Commission  
Water Quality Education Grants  
Usage Guidelines

1. Funding is to be used to increase awareness and knowledge of water resources issues within the Elm Creek watershed. Funding may also be used to monitor water quality and implement projects that improve water quality as long as there is an education component to the project.
  - a. Examples of required education components include but are not limited to permanent interpretive signage, newsletters, fliers, brochures, events, presentations, lectures, field trips, performances, and other creative ways to disseminate information.
2. Eligible recipients include:
  - a. Educators at public and private schools and colleges located in the watershed or that draw at least twenty-five percent of their students from the watershed.
  - b. Organized, non-profit youth groups such as scouts or church youth groups. Individuals affiliated with such a group may apply for funds to complete a capstone project, such as an Eagle Scout project.
  - c. Organized, non-profit groups such as townhome associations, service clubs, church groups, and lakeshore homeowners associations.
  - d. Proposals may be submitted by other individuals and groups and will be considered by the Commission at its discretion.
3. Continuing activities, such as maintenance or administration, are not eligible for funding.
4. Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis.
5. Recipients must provide a final report and allow access to planting or other permanent projects on private property so the Commission or its representatives, as well as the public, can view the project.