***Ecology requests that each applicant submits a Notice of Intent (NOI) by June 15, 2022 via email to*** ***leanne.whitesell@ecy.wa.gov******, with the information below.*** *It is recommended that you review the* [*funding guidelines*](https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/How-we-operate/Grants-loans/Find-a-grant-or-loan/Water-Quality-Combined-Funding-Program/WQC-funding-cycle) *before submitting the NOI and copy your TMDL Lead or Nonpoint Specialist (*[*Table 1*](#Table1)*) on the email. Ecology will review NOIs and provide feedback on completeness and eligibility by mid-July. Applicants may withdraw their NOI at any time and are not obligated to submit an application.*

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| 1. Organization Name and Contact Information
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| 1. Project Title
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| 1. Project Type
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| * *Nonpoint Source Activity*
* *On-site Sewage System*
 | * *Stormwater Activity*
* *Stormwater Facility*
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| 1. General description (1-2 paragraphs) of the proposed project.
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| *Include map or geographic reference (ex: address, latitude/longitude, etc.) of project location.* |
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| 1. Identify all watershed name(s) and 12-digit HUC(s) in the project area.
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| *Search the* [*Water Quality Atlas*](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/waterqualityatlas/StartPage.aspx) *to find the 12-digit HUC(s).*  |
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| 1. Does the project address any priority watersheds identified by SWRO?
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| *Projects to improve and protect Washington’s water quality throughout the region are eligible and encouraged to apply, but the SWRO is actively seeking projects in these watersheds:* * *Puyallup Watershed – Boise Creek, Second Creek, and Pussyfoot Creek*
* *Puyallup Watershed – Lower White River*
* *Nisqually River – Ohop Creek*
* *Deschutes River*
* *Budd Inlet*
* *Upper Chehalis Watershed – Newaukum + Skookumchuck*
* *Other TMDL Implementation Plan (please specify)*

*Search the* [*Water Quality Atlas*](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/waterqualityatlas/StartPage.aspx) *to find a TMDL or other water quality improvement project in your area.* |
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| 1. How is this project implementing a priority identified in a TMDL or other water quality cleanup plan?
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| *Identify specific plans and reference page numbers that show how priorities align with the proposed project.* |
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| 1. Identify which pollutant(s) of concern the project will address.
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| *Search the* [*Water Quality Atlas*](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/waterqualityatlas/StartPage.aspx) *to find water quality impairments (categories 4A, 4B, and 5) or reference other water quality data showing pollutants of concern.*  |
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| 1. Anticipated or committed partners.
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| 1. Estimated funds requested
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| New for FY2024 – Nonpoint Activity Projects will not have any matching fund requirements. |
| * *<$100,000*
* *$100,000 - $250,000*
 | * *$250,000 - $350,000*
* *$350,000 - $500,000*
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***Water Quality Program -* *Southwest Regional Office***

Ecology staff are available to discuss project eligibility, offer guidance, discuss project ideas, implementation plans and water quality benefits.

Table 1: SWRO Nonpoint Team Members

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| **Role** | **Name** | **Email** | **Phone** |
| Regional Fund Coordinator *Nonpoint Activity Projects* | Leanne Whitesell | Leaw461@ecy.wa.gov | (360) 995-2812 |
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| Watershed ResourcesUnit Supervisor | Sheila Marcoe | Smar461@ecy.wa.gov | (360) 522-2987 |

***Nonpoint Project Development Resources***

In an effort to help applicants develop better project ideas and more competitive applications, Ecology SWRO has compiled a suite of resources that are available online at <https://tinyurl.com/ECY-SWRO-WQGrants> [PDF].