

ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES
FY 2024 HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL DAMS REHABILITATION GRANT
NOTICE OF INTEREST

1. Name of person completing this form:

2. E-mail Address of person completing this form (Required):

3. Telephone number of person completing this survey:

4. I am associated with the following dam:

(List Dam's Name and State ID #, if known. If associated with multiple dams please complete a separate survey response for each.)

5. County the dam is located in:

6. My dam's Hazard Classification is:

- High
- Significant
- Low
- I don't know

7. At my dam's most recent inspection, it was assigned a condition rating of:

- Satisfactory or Good
- Low / Poor/ Unsatisfactory
- Fair
- I don't know

8. Date of most recent dam inspection:

9. The most recent inspection was conducted by:

(List person and organization)

10. The most recent dam inspection report was provided to ANRD:

- Yes
- No
- I don't know.

11. My dam has an ANRD approved Emergency Action Plan (EAP):

- Yes
- No
- I don't know.

12. My dam has the following problems that have made it difficult to stay in compliance with state regulations (check all that apply):

- Doesn't have the spillway capacity required for a High Hazard Dam
- General structural instability
- Excessive/Constant Seepage on Downstream Slope
- Dam's components are old and/or broken (examples: rusted pipes, cracked concrete, exposed rebar)
- Upstream or downstream slope showing signs of movement (examples: sliding, sloughing, slumping)
- The dam's embankment shows signs of ongoing internal erosion (usually evidenced by settlement or sinkholes in the crest or slopes)
- My dam is in need of maintenance (removal of trees, cutting of grass)
- My dam is in full compliance with state regulations
- I'm unsure if my dam has issues or not
- Other

13. What is the dam's current state of maintenance?

- Very Well Maintained (No trees, excellent grass cover, valves function reliably)
- Moderately Well Maintained (Has one or more of the following: Saplings present but no large trees, a few significant bare spots, valves likely work but haven't been tested recently, some signs of invasive animal activity)
- Poorly Maintained (Has one or more of the following: a few large trees, virtually no grass cover, no functioning valves, missing trash rack, invasive animal activity has become destructive)
- Never Maintained (Dam is completely overgrown and inaccessible)
- I'm unsure of the dam's current condition

14. I have heard of the FEMA HHPD Grant before:

- Yes
- No

15. I represent the following type of organization:

Only non-Federal government entities and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations can apply for this grant. A privately-owned dam may be eligible for this grant, but a Project Sponsor will be needed to apply on behalf of the dam's owner. Project Sponsors could be any non-Federal government entity or a nonprofit organization with Federal 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. Please review the following scenarios and select the one that best fits your situation:

- I represent an eligible Project Sponsor that intends to apply on behalf of this dam's owner
- I represent an eligible Project Sponsor that would be open to applying on behalf of this dam's owner
- I am the dam owner and am comfortable finding a Project Sponsor without assistance, or I'm already working with an eligible Project Sponsor
- I am the dam owner and will require a Project Sponsor and would like assistance from ANRD in finding such a Sponsor
- I am the dam owner and already meet the applicant eligibility criteria, so a Project Sponsor is not needed
- I am the dam owner as well as a non-profit organization but do not have a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status and would like to know how to obtain such a status

- 16. I am familiar with the requirements of a federal assistance grant (i.e., Federal laws, regulations, and Executive Orders) and am comfortable managing this grant, either as the dam owner or as a Project Sponsor:**

- Definitely true.
- Somewhat true
- Not at all true

- 17. To be eligible for this grant, the city or county the dam is located in must have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) that meets FEMA requirements. Knowing this, please select which of the following best applies:**

- The locality I am prepared to coordinate with currently has an approved HMP in place.
- The locality I am prepared to coordinate with does not have an approved HMP in place but plans to have one completed by December 31, 2024.
- This requirement makes me uncomfortable applying for the HHPD grant this year and would prefer to wait for the HMP to be in place before applying

- 18. I would be interested in applying (or have a Project Sponsor apply on my behalf) for a grant that would fund the following types of activities:**

Preparedness Planning

- Development of evacuation plans, plans for flood fighting, or community response plans to include in the floodplain management plan
- Coordination of Emergency Action Plan (“EAP”) and Emergency Operations Plan (“EOP”) for different release conditions

Planning

- Activities and studies that determine risks associated with eligible dams
- Environmental studies for National Environmental Policy Act compliance
- Development of operation and maintenance plans

Preliminary Engineering

- Dam risk and consequence assessments
- Feasibility studies
- Alternatives analysis
- Preliminary engineering studies
- Mapping, engineering survey, and inundation modeling

Engineering Design

- Engineering design
- Development of drawings and specifications

Outreach and Risk Communication

- Public education and awareness of flood risks associated with the eligible dam project

Construction

- Repair or rehabilitation of the dam
- Dam removal
- Construction monitoring
- Installation of early warning systems associated with the eligible dam project

19. Please provide additional detail regarding the project or projects that you would be interested in receiving grant funding for:

19. [Additional detail regarding the project or projects, continued.]

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20. Generally speaking, what is the approximate grant amount (in dollars) you expect to request through this program?

Please be aware that the grant can only cover up to 65% of project costs. Therefore, the amount entered below should be less than or equal to 65% of the total estimated project cost.

21. Regarding the non-Federal match requirement, the following applies to my situation:

As stated above, this grant cannot fund 100% of project costs. FEMA requires that AT LEAST 35% of the project costs be covered through non-Federal sources. This is called a "Cost Share" or "Match" requirement. FEMA allows in-kind contributions to satisfy the non-Federal match, which can include donations of services, labor, and materials.

- I am able to fully cover the non-federal costs (in kind or otherwise) without additional assistance from a Project Sponsor or other source
- I am only able to partially cover the non-federal costs (in kind or otherwise) but will need assistance from a Project Sponsor or other source
- I am not able to cover any non-federal costs of this project

22. What additional information or support can ANRD provide that would assist you in putting a grant application together?

23. I would be interested in receiving emails or other notifications from ANRD about this grant opportunity (2024 or future years) as well as other potential grant funding sources:

- Yes
- No

Please email the completed form to
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