



Western Water Network Grants Frequently Asked Questions

We are looking for projects that strengthen your chapter's ability to address how drought, diversions, and a changing climate affect the arid West. We want to help you achieve greater conservation outcomes and engage partners and communities in a thoughtful and impactful way. We are looking for projects that are strategic and work towards shared goals.

- **Q: Where can I find more information?**
 - A: A program description, a list of project ideas, an editable document containing the application questions, copies of the webinar slides, and more can be found [here](#).
- **Q: What are available resources that will help me implement my project according to grant guidelines?**
 - A: There are several planning and training documents that will help you develop and implement a well-rounded project:
 - [Grant Announcement and Guidelines](#)
 - [Application Questions \(Word Version\)](#)
 - [Online Application Form](#)
 - [Western Water Network Grants Reporting Template](#)
 - [Water and Birds in the Arid West Report](#)
 - [Chapter Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion How-To Guide](#)
 - [Audubon's Campaign Advocacy Manual](#)
 - [Find Your Flock webinars, recorded trainings and resources](#)
- **Q: What Western Water staff can I reach out to for help?**
 - A: For general questions, grant writing, project development, and implementation support please reach out to Audubon Southwest Outreach Biologist Steven Prager at steven.prager@audubon.org. For targeted local support, you may reach out to the following individuals:
 - Saline Lakes – Max Malmquist, max.malmquist@audubon.org
 - Salton Sea – Andrea Jones, andrea.jones@audubon.org
 - Upper Basin CO River – Abby Burk, abby.burk@audubon.org
 - Lower Basin CO River – Morgan Moore, morgan.moore@audubon.org
 - Rio Grande + New Mexico – Steven Prager, steven.prager@audubon.org
- **Q: If chapters collaborate on a grant application, are the funds distributed to each of the partners or just to a "lead chapter?"**
 - A: Funds will be distributed to just one chapter. The distribution of funds to other chapters or partners should be described in the budget.
- **Q: What is the application deadline?**
 - A: The application deadline is Friday April 2, 2021, 8p.m. ET/5p.m. PT.
- **Q: When will we hear if our project is funded? When will funding become available?**



- A: Successful applicants will be notified by Friday May 07, 2021 and funds will be transferred by mid-May. Project activities should start at this time.

- **Q: Can you explain the reporting requirements?**

- A: All grantees must complete a mid-term project report, a final project report, and work with Audubon staff to submit one piece of public facing communications highlighting the project.
 - Mid-term report: Due December 03, 2021. This report will describe overall project activities and results, conservation outcomes, budget detail, as well as progress on the communications component (see below).
 - Final report: Due May 27, 2022. This report will describe overall project activities and results, conservation outcomes, and budget detail.
 - Communications: Due before or on May 27, 2022. With this reporting component, we hope to elevate your work by using Audubon's Western Water website and other digital platforms to share compelling stories about your project. This component can take the form of an article, Q&A, blog, video, a before and after photo series, or any other medium that you feel best portrays your work. You will be encouraged to coordinate with local Audubon staff to provide guidance and assistance with this requirement. An Audubon staff member will reach out in the summer to discuss options and provide guidance and examples.

- **Q: What are the financial reporting requirements?**

- A: You will be asked to submit a final financial report based on the budget that is finalized after you receive your final award paperwork.

Please contact Steven Prager at steven.prager@audubon.org with any further questions. This document will be updated as relevant questions are submitted.