

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation WaterSmart Grant Opportunity: Small Scale Water Efficiency Projects

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Background

- Existing Cash for Grass program
 - Removed over 3.5 M square feet of turf
 - Rebate of \$0.75/sq ft
- Grant application - Cash for Grass program
 - Target is dedicated irrigation meter customers
 - Rebate of \$2.00/sq ft
 - Trees required
 - Goal to remove 37,500 sq ft of turf

Analysis

- USBR WaterSmart Grant Application
 - Santa Rosa Water request of \$75,000 grant to support the existing Cash for Grass program
 - 50% local match required - \$75,000 from in-kind staff time and program support.

Result

37,500 sq ft of turf removed

1.2M gallons of water saved annually

Grant & Application Period

- April 13th City Council will consider approving submittal of the grant application.
- Grant application was submitted March 18th, and a resolution of Council is required within 30 days after grant submittal to finalize the application.
- USBR expects to notify awardees in September 2021 and sign a Financial Assistance Agreement in January 2022. Grant funded activities must be completed by December 2023.

QUESTIONS?



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