

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2

**A Resolution of the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District Establishing
a Flood Risk Reduction and Watershed Management
Economic Stimulus Grant Program for the Pierce County
Flood Control Zone District.**

Whereas, the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District ("District") board of supervisors ("Board") established a strategic reserve as part of its fund balance policy with resolution FCZD 2017-4; and

Whereas, one of the purposes of the strategic reserve fund is to fund emergent needs; and

Whereas, the current economic climate in Pierce County, the nation, and globally is having a negative impact on many businesses, local jurisdictions, tribes, non-profits, and agencies; and

Whereas, investment in capital projects and equipment can provide jobs and tax revenue; and

Whereas, RCW 86.15 provides guidance on the types of investment that are allowed using funds generated by flood control zone districts; and

Whereas, the Board desires to initiate an economic stimulus grant program using the current balance in the Strategic Reserve Fund for a one-year initiative; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors adopts the "flood risk reduction and watershed management economic stimulus grant program as described in Attachment A to this resolution.

ADOPTED this 8th day of July, 2020.

ATTEST:


Audrey Persons, Clerk of the Board

**PIERCE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL
ZONE DISTRICT**
Pierce County, Washington


Dave Morell, Board Chair

Substitute Attachment A

Flood Risk Reduction and Watershed Management Economic Stimulus Grant Program



The following purposes may be funded with this grant program

- Flood control or storm water control improvements (whether extended, enlarged, acquired or constructed).
- Watershed management projects, that are for water supply, water quality and water resource and habitat protection and management.
- Major equipment used for stormwater control or water quality protection.

These purposes and uses are called "projects" for this grant program.

Potential eligible projects might include:

- Flood Control or stormwater control improvements
- Community Flood Resiliency projects (i.e. installation of evacuation signage)
- Habitat protection and management
- Culvert improvements
- Watershed Management projects
- Structure demolition that supports a larger flood risk reduction project
- Purchase of equipment for flood risk reduction

Funding Eligibility Requirements

Projects must address one of the purposes described above.

Projects must be shovel ready (i.e. completed permits, completed design) and be in a management plan (i.e. flood control, stormwater control, watershed management or hazard mitigation plans).

Projects must generate jobs in Pierce County.

Projects should leverage other funding sources. For local jurisdictions, Flood District Opportunity Fund allocations may be used as a match.

Applicants can apply for a maximum of \$1,000,000 for a single project.

Projects must be completed and reimbursement sought by December 31, 2021.

The following documents must be submitted to the Flood District Administrator (*Assistant County Engineer of Pierce County Surface Water Management*).

- Preliminary engineering studies
- State Environmental Policy Act determinations and plans
- Cost estimates
- Description of project benefits

Eligible Applicants

- Cities/municipalities
- Indian Tribes
- Parks departments
- Non-profit organizations

All applicants must either have an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District, be sponsored by a municipality that has an ILA with the Flood Control Zone District. If a municipality wants to sponsor an organization for funding, the municipality will serve as the applicant agent for the project. If an applicant does not have an existing Interlocal Agreement with the District, they must be willing to accept the contract terms for an Interlocal Agreement and sign an affidavit accepting those terms with their application.

Application and Funding Process

Key Dates

- Pre applications deadline: August 20, 2020
- Pre-applications screened by review panel: September 4, 2020
- Full applications deadline: September 30, 2020
- Applications presented to Executive Committee: October 21, 2020
- Board of Supervisors approval: December 9, 2020
- Municipality notification date: December 16, 2020
- Funding will be available on January 1, 2021

Pre-applications are due by August 20, 2020 and must be submitted to pcfczd@piercecountywa.gov. All Pre-applications will be screened for eligibility by September 4, 2020. Successful applicants will be invited to fill out a full application that will be due by September 30, 2020. Applications will be ranked by a review panel and then presented to the Executive Committee by October 21, 2020 for recommendation to the full board. The Board is scheduled to take action on December 9, 2020. Municipalities will be notified of the selection by December 16, 2020. Funding will be made available for use on January 1, 2021.