

2026 Stormwater Property Assessment and Technical Assistance Grants Request for Proposals

Informational Webinar

October 8, 2025



Opportunity Overview

Funding supports selected applicants to complete Lake Wise, Stream Wise, and/or Stormwater educational property assessments in the local Lake Champlain Basin communities they serve.



RFP Details

Grants of up to \$20,000* will be awarded

- **Timeline:** Mid-March 2026 – December 31, 2026
- **Must follow defined task-based schedule** that funds:
 - A. Training/Quality Assurance (*personnel and travel costs*)
 - B. Purchase of office or field assessment equipment (*supplies costs*)
 - C. Outreach efforts (*personnel and travel costs*)
 - D. Supporting landowners via technical assistance (*personnel and travel costs*)
 - E. Participation in broader “Unifying Stormwater” group work (*personnel costs*)
 - F. Meeting reporting requirements (*personnel costs*)

One proposal may be submitted per eligible organization

*Selected applicants with active grant contracts will also be eligible to separately submit purchase order requests through LCBP/NEIWPCC (of up to \$10,000 each) for supplies and material to install best management practice projects identified during the Lake Wise, Stream Wise, or Stormwater assessments.



Credit: OBVBM



Credit: Greensboro Association



Credit: VTDEC Lake Wise Program



Credit: Stream Wise



Grant opportunity is formatted to best utilize the new **“Streamlined Subaward Purchase Order”** contract type first approved for use by NEIWPC this past winter.

Purchase order form

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Approved workplan
With authorized
representative's signature


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Terms and conditions (3-pages)

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 Stream Wise in the Ausable River Watershed, 2025 Workshop (V1) Approval Date: February 12, 2025
Job cost code: 0375-004-001
Final report due date: December 31, 2025

A. Cover page

Project title: Stream Wise in the Ausable River Watershed, 2025

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Tracking information:
Federal Tax Identification Number: 14-1809764
UEI Number: JDSAM5107027
DIME: No

LCBP award amount: \$15,000
Non-federal match: \$1,870
Total project cost: \$16,870

Project location:
This project will take place in the Ausable River Watershed of the Lake Champlain Basin, on private land parcels along the East and West Branch Ausable River and its tributaries. This includes the towns of Keese, North Elba, Wilmington, Jay, and Ausable Forks in Essex and Clinton counties, NY. The HUC-8 sub-watershed is the Ausable Basin (04150404). Depend on interest from adjacent watersheds, we will also include properties on the Hoquet River (04150408).

Project description:
LCBP supported the development of a Stream Wise Award Program in the Lake Champlain Basin, and after the Lake Wise Award Program is Vermont, to educate and incentivize communities to engage in riparian stewardship activities with a consistent message and brand. The award program was developed in 2020-2021 with Federal, state, and provincial input (governmental and non-governmental non-profit organizations), incorporated practices from existing programs, and was specifically tailored to respond to the needs and capacities of local watershed organizations to the greatest extent possible. Program material is housed on the streamwisechamplain.org website.

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NEWTEPCW Job Code: 0373-004-001
Project Code: LS-PO-2025-027

ATTACHMENT I
Streamlined Subaward Purchase Order Terms and Conditions

THIS SUBAWARD PURCHASE ORDER AGREEMENT is made by the NEW ENGLAND INTERSTATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION (NEWTEPCW), having its principal office at 650 Suffolk Street, No. 410, Lowell, Massachusetts 01854, and **Assable Freshwater Center ("Subrecipient")**, having its principal office at **569W N. Rt. 16, PO Box K, Whitinsburg, NJ 12097** (Tel: 518-637-6809; Email: carrieanne@assablecenter.org). Technical Contact: **Carrieanne Peterson**. All subaward Purchase Orders ("PO Agreement") issued by NEWTEPCW are made expressly subject to the following terms and conditions and are accepted upon execution. All other prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, and understandings are superseded.

Section I. Federal Award Title and Description

A. The EPA project title is "FY24 NEWTEPCW LCRP Section 120." The Federal award project description is detailed in Attachment 1 of Cooperative Agreement LC00041526 and incorporated herein by reference. This Subaward is not for research and development.

Section II. Federal Requirements

A. Federal Award Identification.

1. Subrecipient's Unique Entity Identifier in the federal system for Award Management (SAM) is **JDSAS181H7GN7**.
2. The Federal Award Identification Number (FAN) for this Subaward is LC00041526.
3. The EPA Award Date is 9/17/24.
4. The PO Agreement Period of Performance Start Date is the date of execution of this PO Agreement and the End Date which is 60 days after the start report due date as provided in the attached workplan.
5. The amount of EPA Funds obligated to NEWTEPCW under the award is **\$15,151,278**.
6. The total amount of EPA Funds obligated to the Subrecipient under this PO Agreement is **\$15,800**.

The parties acknowledge EPA is the Federal awarding agency, and NEWTEPCW is the pass-through entity, as defined in 2 CFR 200.1, for purposes of this Subaward. The contact information for NEWTEPCW's awarding official for this Subaward is as follows:

Susan J. Sullivan, Executive Director
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B. The Assistance Program (CFDA) Number for this Subaward is **66.081**.

9. The Assistance Program Title for this Subaward is Lake Champlain Basin Program.

B. "Flow down" requirements.

1. The Subrecipient agrees to comply with all [flow-down requirements](#) imposed on NEWTEPCW under the EPA award to ensure that the EPA award is used in accordance with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms of the EPA award.
2. Other federal requirements that may apply to this subaward include the following:
 - a. EPA's [2024 General Terms and Conditions](#)
 - b. EPA's [Procurement Specific Terms and Conditions](#)
 - c. EPA's [Public Awareness Terms and Conditions](#), including:
 - (a) EPA's [Signage Required Term and Condition](#)

¹ "Flow down" requirements include those statutory, regulatory, and Executive Order requirements that NEWTEPCW, as a "pass-through entity" that makes subawards, is required to identify to potentially applying to subrecipients on EPA funded projects under 2 CFR 200.312(b)(2).

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1. Certificate of Insurance
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3. Proof of SAM.gov registration
4. Subrecipient risk assessment form
5. DBE form

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- A. Training/Quality Assurance *(personnel and travel costs)*
- B. Purchase of office or field assessment equipment *(supplies costs)*

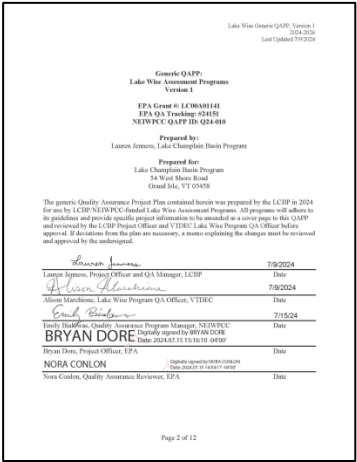
Task	Task title	Summary of task goal(s)	Output(s) and deliverable(s)	Timeline
1	Attend training sessions	Attend Stream Wise, Lake Wise, and/or Stormwater Site Assessment Program training sessions.	Attendance recorded.	March - June 2026
	Purchase supplies	Purchase office or field equipment supplies to support field season work.	Supplies purchased summary including copy of receipts.	
	Approved (QAPPs)	Sign onto quality assurance procedures that will maintain assessment performance	Approved Quality Assurance Project Plans(s)	



Credit: Stream Wise



Credit: Stream Wise



Credit: Lake Wise

- C. Outreach efforts (*personnel and travel costs*)
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2	Outreach and Field Work Part 1	Conduct outreach to engage with property owners to participate in Stream Wise, Lake Wise, and/or Stormwater assessments. Celebrate successes to engage more property owners.	Summary of work completed including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total # hours spent on task • # events with participant #(s) and photo(s) • # social media posts • # blog posts, email blasts, press releases • # printed messaging distributed • # Landowners participating • # Entries of Stream Wise, Lake Wise, and/or Stormwater assessments within Apps • # best management practices installed 	June – July 2026
3	Outreach and Field Work Part 2	Conduct Stream Wise, Lake Wise, and/or Stormwater Desktop and Field Visit Assessments including pre/post assessment conversations with landowners and writing/delivering summary reports		August – September 2026
4	Outreach and Field Work Part 3	Plan, design and install best management practices identified from completed assessments Participate in “Unifying Stormwater” group meeting work		October – November 2026

- E. Participation in broader “Unifying Stormwater” group work *(personnel costs, travel)*
- F. Meeting reporting requirements *(personnel costs)*

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5	Provide Feedback	Record and share feedback on program material	Participation recorded	Contract execution – November 2026
6	Reporting	Complete quarterly reporting requirements. Compile project summary, required project metrics, and all project deliverables utilizing the LCBP final report template.	Approved Quarterly Reports Approved Final Report Copies of all deliverables including assessment data pdfs, landowner summary reports, best management practice installation summaries, outreach materials, and photos Project metrics report	Quarterly reports submitted throughout contract period. Final Report and all deliverables due by December 31, 2026

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Supplies estimate

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Purchase order form

Trees ----- \$1000
Perennials ----- \$1000
Compost ----- \$300
Geotextile fabric \$500

(example)

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Applicant Eligibility

Applicants must work within the Lake Champlain Basin.

Eligible applicants include:

- Colleges and universities
- Nonprofit organizations
- NY Soil and Water and VT Natural Resource Conservation Districts
- Non-federal/non-state government agencies, including municipalities



Credit: Stream Wise



Credit: Lake St. Catherine Association

Key Dates

Proposals due to LCBP	November 7, 2025 at 5pm via Foundant
Award decisions	December 2025
Detailed project workplan due	February 2026
Project start	Mid-March 2026
Final report and deliverables due by	December 31, 2026

Questions?

