Fiscal Year 2009 Financial Assistance Application Form and Resource Guide

for

Centennial Clean Water Program (Centennial)

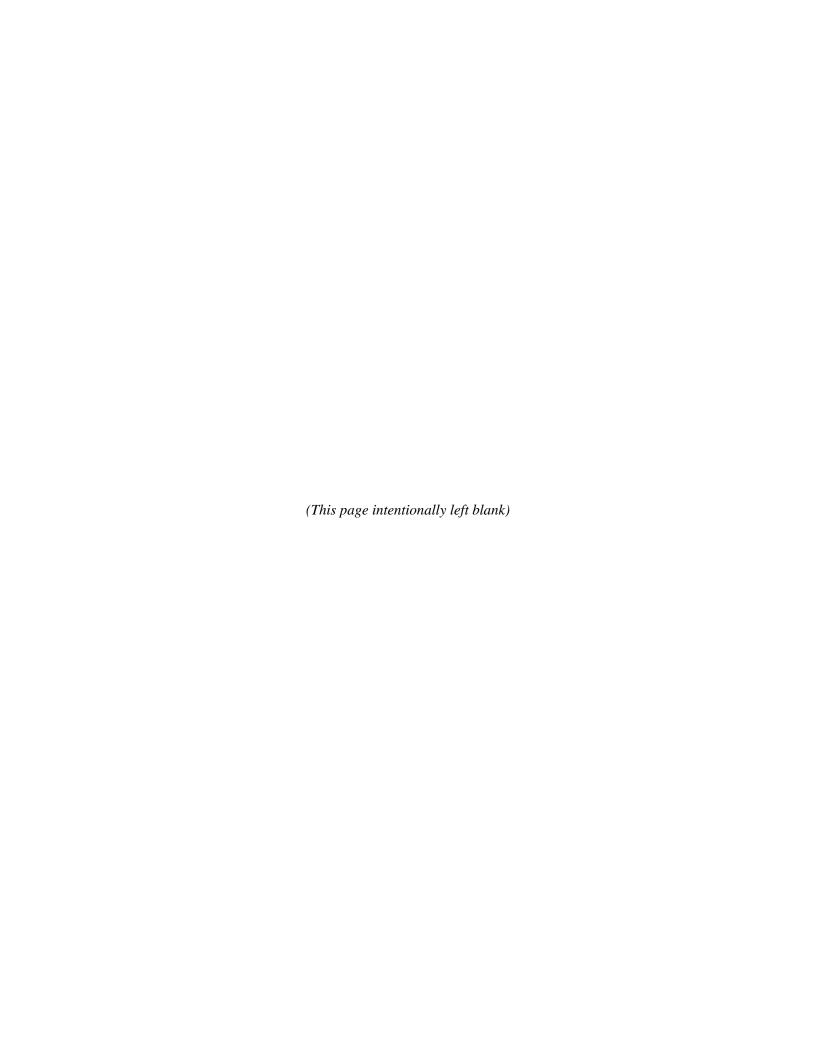
Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Fund (Section 319)

Washington State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund (Revolving Fund)

This FY 2009 Financial Assistance Application Form can be found at:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html

If you need this document in an alternate format, please contact us at 360-407-6502. Persons with hearing loss can call 711 for Washington Relay Service. Persons with a speech disability can call 877-833-6341.



This section provides application materials, including a scoring guideline that outlines how evaluators will assign points.

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Application materials:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html

Information on basin location of salmonid stocks (listed as threatened or endangered):

http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/ESA-Salmon-Listings/Index.cfm

Longitude and latitude of your project:

http://apps.ecv.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm

Maps <u>and</u> latitude/longitude:

http://www.topozone.com

To convert from degrees, minutes, and seconds to decimal degrees:

http://www.directionsmag.com/site/latlong-converter

Information on problem areas, affected designated uses, or water quality programs addressed or implemented (*Washington's Water Quality Management Plan to Control Nonpoint Source Pollution, Volume 1*):

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/nonpoint/nps_plan.html#plan_vol1

The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Watershed Planning Handbook to locate the <u>required</u> nine key criteria for nonpoint planning and implementation projects (see Chapter 2, page 16):

http://www.epa.gov/owow/nps/watershed_handbook/

The Water Quality Assessment interactive map for 303(d)-listed waters:

http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.html

TMDL Lead contact information:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/tmdl/contacts.html

Financial Hardship Evaluation Form (required for hardship determinations):

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html

Contacts for Questions

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Internet:	Water Quality Program: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/wqhome.html		
	Funding Information: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.ht		
	<u>ml</u>		
Ecology, Water Quality Program	Headquarters – Lacey (360) 407- 6400		
Reception:	Central Regional Office (CRO) – Yakima (509) 575-2490*		
	Eastern Regional Office (ERO) – Spokane (509) 329-3400*		
	Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) – Bellevue (425) 649-7000*		
	Southwest Regional Office (SWRO) – Lacey (360) 407-6300*		
	(*Number is the spill /environmental emergency line after hours)		
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Application Packets:	Shawna Beers (360) 407-6566, e-mail <u>sbee461@ecy.wa.gov</u>		
U.S. Mail Address: (Not to be used for UPS or other package delivery services)	Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program Financial Management Section, P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, WA 98504-7600		
Street Address: (Physical location/ package delivery – not to be used for U.S. Mail)	Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program Financial Management Section, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503		

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ECOLOGY EVALUATOR SCORING GUIDELINES (for use with Part 2)

DO NOT FILL IN

Ecology's project evaluators will use the following criteria to score project proposals. The questions in the scoring guidelines are taken from Part 2 of the application. Each question is followed by a table outlining scoring criteria that should help guide the applicant in developing answers to the questions.

Executive Summary – In 250 words or less, describe the project and its water quality benefits.

1. Scope of Work (Up to 25 pts.)

Points are awarded for a clear, complete, and well thought-out scope that directly addresses a water quality problem. The scope demonstrates an understanding of the work required to implement and complete the project. Resourceful approaches or solutions are encouraged.

- Provide a detailed scope of work to achieve the water quality benefits of the project that includes clearly defined tasks, deliverables, and cost per task.
- Describe the project area and provide supporting map(s) and any relevant diagrams and pictures.

1.	Scope of Work	Total 25
		Points
	Complete and concise description of the project tasks and	
	outcomes. Provide clear detailed description of project	Up to 10 pts.
	tasks, deliverables, timelines, and purpose.	
	Project directly and measurably addresses a water quality	Up to 15 pts.
	problem.	

2. Proposed Budget (Up to 15 pts.)

Budget: Points are awarded for a complete, reasonable budget that is consistent with the tasks described in the scope of work.

• Provide a clearly defined Task- and Object-oriented budget (as applicable).

Cost Estimate Process: Points are awarded to cost effective projects with accurate cost estimates. For example, an applicant may determine cost effectiveness and estimate accuracy based on experience with past or ongoing projects, through consultation with other entities that have related experience, or through a planning process such as value analysis.

- Describe how costs were estimated. Include the steps taken to ensure accuracy, such as experience with past or ongoing projects, or through consultation with other entities that have related experience.
- Describe the process used to control cost and ensure that this is a cost effective project (e.g. value engineering for facilities projects or cost analysis for activities projects).

2.	Proposed Budget	Total 15
		Points
	Complete project budget is consistent with the scope of	Up to 2 pts
	work.	
	The cost estimate process is reasonable.	Up to 3 pts
	The project budget represents a good value for the work	
	and water quality benefit achieved.	Up to 10 pts

3. Water Quality and Public Health Improvements (Up to 25 pts.)

Points are awarded for improvements and protection of water quality and public health. Substantial environmental improvements receive the most points. Measurable improvements receive more points than unclear or vague benefits. The actual benefit, total impact (area impacted, number of people affected), level of implementation, and the severity of the problem will be considered. Only changes that can be achieved by the proposed scope of work will be considered.

- Define the water quality and public health problems the project will address.
- Describe the expected project results, including how the project will help achieve water quality and public health improvements and protection. Describe how much of the problem will be addressed by the project.
- Describe how success of the project will be measured and documented.
- Describe how the water quality and public health improvements will be sustained for the long-term.

3.	Water Quality and Public Health Improvements	Total 25
		Points
	How severe is the water quality problem and how well is it	Up to 5 pts
	defined.	
	Project will achieve substantial water quality benefits.	Up to 10 pts
	Project success can be measured, and proposed methods to	
	measure success are reasonable.	Up to 5 pts
	The project provides long-term sustainability of water	
	quality benefits (e.g. Operation and maintenance of the	Up to 5 pts
	system, long-term on-site septic program follow-up,	
	watershed management).	

4. State and Federal Requirements (Up to 10 pts.)

Points are awarded for projects that address state and federal requirements (e.g. Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL), permit requirements, watershed plans, etc.). How well the project addresses TMDL objectives will be considered. Straight to implementation proposals will be awarded points based on the link between the activity proposed and the ability to meet water quality standards.

• Describe how this project is specifically required by a state or federal agency. Provide reference or documentation including permit conditions, department orders, court orders, or other department correspondence.

- Explain how this project addresses specific actions in a TMDL Water Quality Improvement Report or Water Quality Implementation Plan. Provide the name of the Ecology TMDL Lead and the last date of contact.
- Explain how this project addresses specific actions in a program or a plan, other than a TMDL, that is designed to meet water quality standards.

4.	State and Federal Requirements	Total 10
		Points
	How well does this facilities project address a current permit requirement or other legal requirement?	
	Or	Up to 10 pts
	How well does this activities implementation project address required actions of a Water Quality Improvement Report, other current approved plan, or a program specifically designed to address water quality problems?	

5. Project Team (Up to 5 pts.)

Points are awarded based on skills, qualifications, and experience of the potential or established project team members.

- Describe roles and responsibilities of each team member. Include the estimated amount of time each team member will devote to the project. (e.g., what percentage of each team member's work week will be devoted to this project?)
- Describe the relevant skills and qualifications of each team member (do not submit resumes).

5.	Project Team	Total 5
		Points
	Team members' roles & responsibilities are well defined and	II
	an estimated percentage of time each team member will	Up to 3 pts
	devote to this project is adequate for the scope of work.	
	Team members' past experience is relevant.	Up to 2 pts

6. Project Development and Local Support (Up to 10 pts.)

Points are awarded based on project development efforts and commitments from project partners. Provide documentation as appropriate.

- Describe the decision making process used to select this project.
- Describe how you have involved and fostered local, regional, and statewide partnerships for the success of the project.
- Describe how you will sustain long-term water quality efforts.

6.	Project Development and Local Support	Total 10					
		Points					
	A comprehensive decision making process was used to	Up to 5 pts					
	arrive at the proposed project.						
	The level of local support and commitments for the project	Up to 5 pts					
	is documented (e.g. ongoing strategic review of sewer user						
	rates, ongoing watershed planning, interlocal cooperation,						
	ordinance development, etc).						

7. Readiness to Proceed (Up to 5 pts.)

Points are awarded based on how soon a project can begin.

• Describe the steps you have taken to proceed immediately with the project. Provide detailed information and documentation on project elements such as completed designs, permits, inter-local agreements, landowner agreements, easements, other secured funding, staff, Quality Assurance Project Plans, and other agency approvals.

7.	Readiness to Proceed	Total 5
		Points
	Project elements are in place for the project to proceed and	Up to 5 pts
	documentation is provided.	

8. Ratepayer Impact (5 pts.)

Points are awarded to projects that place financial hardship on sewer ratepayers. Applicants claiming financial hardship must fill out the financial hardship evaluation form and submit it with the application. Points will be assigned based on the outcome of the hardship calculations done at Ecology Headquarters as guided through rule.

8.	Ratepayer Impact	Total 5
		Points

Ties are broken using the score to Question 3 - Water Quality and Public Health Improvements. For example in a tie between two projects, the project that scores higher in Question 3 is placed above the other on the priority list. The score from Question 7 - Readiness to Proceed, is used if the tie cannot be broken using Question 3.

END OF APPLICATION RESOURCES

Part 1

FY 2009 Water Quality Financial Assistance Application



1. PROJECT TITLE:

Fiscal Year 2009 Financial Assistance Application Centennial Clean Water Program (Centennial)

Centennial Clean Water Program (Centennial)
Federal Clean Water Act Section 319
Nonpoint Source Fund (Section 319)
Washington State Water Pollution Control
Revolving Fund (Revolving Fund)

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Application no	

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Hydrologic Unit Code

Primary

2.	APPLICANT NAME: (Pu	blic bod	or private not-for-profit per IRS 501 (C) (3	3))	3.	FEDERAL ID NO:		
4.	APPLICANT SIGNATORY: (The person whose name is listed here must sign Box 13 of this application)							
	Name:							
	Title:		Telep	phone N	Vun	nber:		
	Address:							
5.	APPLICANT STAFF CO	NTA	CT:					
	Name:							
	Title:	Т	elephone Number:			E-Mail Address:		
	Address:							
6.	PROJECT INFORMATI	ON:						
	What is the population in the PROJECT area?							
	Is the PROJECT located in a basin with salmonid stocks listed as threatened or endangered in accordance with the Endangered Species Act?							
	Is the PROJECT statewide?							
	If NO , list below the county(ies), Water Resource Inventory Area designation(s), Legislative district(s), and Congressional district(s) where at least five percent of the PROJECT will be accomplished.							

Primary

Name

Percent

Water Resource Inventory Area

Primary

Percent

	Namehan	Congressional District(s) for the Project:			Water Body for the Project: http://nhd.usgs.gov/index.html			l l
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Project Locat	ion		Latitude: (e.g., 45.3530)					
			Longitude: (e.g., -120.4510)					
7. GROW	TH MANAGE	MENT	ACT (GMA) COMPLIANO	CE (Facility	Pro	iects Only):		
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Project L		hs						
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9. WATE	R BODY AND	NEEDS	S ADDRESSED BY PROJE	CT:				
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Is the affe	ected water body list	ted on th	e Clean Water Act Section 303(d) L	ist as impaired	d? Ye	es 🗌 No 🔲		
If yes, wh	nat is the 303(d)-Lis	ting para	meter(s) and associated identification	on number(s)?				
Check all	type(s) of water bo	dies that	the proposal targets:					
_	water rivers	Ī	Direct marine water					
=	water lakes water wetlands	L	Saltwater estuary Other (specify)					
	Ground water							
Check all	that this project wil	ll address	S:					
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	r Endangered Specie ction of shellfish ha		otected species (identify)					
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Other (specify)	DOL ACTIVITY DEGISCOS ONI V.		
10. FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL <u>ACTIVITY</u> PROJECTS ONLY: Type of Activity Project			
Check all that this project would include:			
Agricultural best management practices Stormwater best management practices Other best management practices (specify): Water quality monitoring Riparian restoration Large woody debris placement Bank stabilization Public education and outreach On-site septic planning/surveys Groundwater protection and/or planning PILOT/demonstration project Comprehensive planning (such as watershed management plans or stormwater management plans) Other (specify):			
Planning Handbook to evaluate if the p	y Elements for non-point source projects. Please refer to EPA's Watershed lan being implemented meets these criteria.		
a) If your project proposal is primarily to acc	a) If your project proposal is primarily to accomplish planning, does it meet EPA's 9 Key Elements?		
Yes No	b) If your project proposal is primarily targeting "Implementation", does the plan meet the EPA's 9 Key Elements?		
If applying for an implementation project, please fill out the table below. Implementation Action Reference the plan that describes this action, including page numbers and where a copy of the plan can be obtained for review.			

Will the proposed project directly result in a load	d reduction of Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and/or Sediment? Yes No	
Check applicable boxes below.		
	e responsible for reporting the annual load reduction results.	
Dissolved oxygen Nitrogen Phosphorus Sediment Fecal coliform Temperature Others (specify):		
11. FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTRO	L <u>FACILITY</u> PROJECTS ONLY:	
Type of Facility Project		
Check all that this project involves:		
 Wastewater treatment systems needs Water reclamation and reuse Stormwater pollutant control needs On-site septic repair/replacement program Other (specify): 		
For wastewater and stormwater treatment facilities proje but complete <u>all</u> prerequisite planning dates and include	ects, check only <u>one</u> of the six boxes below that represents the present proposal,	
Proposal to obtain financial assistance for: Prerequisite planning approval dates:		
Combined comprehensive, general sewer, or stormwater plan with a facilities plan	Not Applicable	
☐ Site specific facility planning (Step 1)	Provide the date of the approved comprehensive plan that identifies the need for your project. Date of Ecology Approval: (attach a copy of approval letter)	
Design (Step 2)	Provide the date of the approved facilities plan ¹ and any amendments. Date of Ecology Approval: (attach a copy of approval letter)	
Construction (Step 3)	Provide the date of the approved plans and specifications and any addenda. Date of Ecology Approval: (attach a copy of approval letter)	
Design and construction (Step 4)	Provide the date of the approved facilities plan and any addenda. Date of Ecology Approval: (attach a copy of approval letter)	
☐ Design-Build and Design-Build-Operate	Provide the date of the approved facilities plan and any addenda. Date approved: (attach a copy of approval letter and other required documentation. See the <i>FY 2009Financial Assistance Guidelines</i> , for more information.)	

¹ Site specific planning documents must be approved as "facilities plans"; plans approved as "engineering reports" will not suffice.

Part 1

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Do you have an Ecology permit for this project? \(\subseteq \text{Yes} \subseteq \text{No} \)	Provide permit number:		
For wastewater facilities, provide information on effluent limits:	BOD: mg/l TSS: mg/l Maximum Monthly Design Capacity: MGD		
HARDSHIP			
For domestic wastewater construction projects, provide t	he following:		
Is a financial hardship assistance loan requested?	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Is a financial hardship assistance grant requested?	Yes No		
If yes, a Financial Hardship Analysis Form must be included with	this application. The hardship form is found at:		
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.ht			
For stormwater projects, provide the following:			
Is a hardship loan requested for a stormwater treatment facilities pr	roject required under a permit? Yes No		
Is a hardship grant requested for a stormwater activities project req			
For hardship criteria on stormwater projects refer to Ecology's fund			
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.ht	<u>ml</u>		
REFINANCE			
Check the appropriate box:			
☐ Interim ☐ Stand	dard		
Standard: complete the Standard Refinance Worksheet along with Part 1. Do <u>not</u> complete Part 2. Attach a copy of the Declaration of Construction Completion for the project. The worksheet can be found at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html			
Interim: complete Parts 1 and 2 of the application.			
For more information on standard and interim refinance projects, re	efer to Chapter 173-98-410 WAC.		

12. FUNDING REQUEST: (Identify the amount of funding requested to complete your project.)		
Facilities projects (including planning, design, and construction) are eligible for <u>loan funds only</u> .		
(There are some exceptions for wastewater construction hardship, see question No. 11)		
Check for consistency with costs provided in Part 2, Question 2.	Project Amount & Terms:	
Total Project Cost This amount represents the full cost of the project.	\$	
Eligible Project Cost This amount represents that portion of the project cost that is eligible for Ecology grant or loan assistance.	\$	
Ecology Grant Request (Activity Projects Only) This represents the amount Ecology will grant, which is typically 75 percent of the eligible project cost. Ceiling amounts and match requirements vary depending on the project. Refer to the funding program rules at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html . How to calculate Ecology's share: If Ecology's share is 75 percent of the eligible project cost, multiply the eligible project cost by 0.75.	\$	
Ecology Loan Request (Activity or Facility Projects) This represents the amount Ecology will loan, up to 100 percent of the eligible project cost. Refer to Ecology's Web page for loan term and interest rates.	\$ Term: years	
Federal Funds in Project (Activity Projects Only) Identify anticipated source(s) of federal funds: Federal agency Federal agency Federal agency	Amount requested (or to be requested) from these agencies: \$ \$ \$	
If grant funds are not offered, would you accept loan funds for part or all of the eligible project cost? (Answers will not affect your grant request priority.) Yes No		
13. BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION (to appear in the funding list): (50 words or less)		

14. APPLICATION CERTIFICATION:		
I CERTIFY TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I AM THE LEGALLY AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OR DESIGNEE FOR THE SUBMITTAL OF THIS INFORMATION ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT.		
Printed Name	Signature	
Title	Date	

15. APPLICATION SUBMITTAL INFORMATION:

Applications must be submitted in two ways:

- One original-signature application must be received at the Department of Ecology (Lacey headquarters office) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, 2007.
- One electronic version emailed to: <u>FY2009FundingApp@ecy.wa.gov</u> (Please use the applicant's name in the email subject line and to name the file attachment.) If the applicant is not able to send their application by e-mail, please send an electronic copy on CD Rom with the original signed application.

Department of Ecology Water Quality Program Financial Management Section	Department of Ecology Water Quality Program	FY2009FundingApp@ecy.wa.gov
P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, WA 98504-7600	Financial Management Section 300 Desmond Drive Lacey, WA 98503	(Please send the email as an attachmen as soon as possible to speed processing and don't forget to follow up with a signed original.)

(This concludes Part 1)

This is the rated portion of the application worth up to 100 points. Applicants should provide concise answers.

An applicant resource guide is located at the beginning of this form.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (0 points)		
Summarize the overall water quality problem and how it will be solved or addressed by the project. (Limit your answer to 250 words or less.)		

1. SCOPE OF WORK (up to 25 points)

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- Provide a detailed scope of work to achieve the water quality benefits of the project that includes clearly
 defined tasks, deliverables, and costs per task.
- Describe the project area and provide a supporting map(s) and any relevant diagrams and pictures.

Task 1 is standard for all grant and loan projects. Follow the format provided below for the additional tasks in your scope of work:

Task 1- Project Administration/Management:

A. The RECIPIENT will administer and manage the project. Responsibilities will include, but not be limited to: maintenance of project records; submittal of payment vouchers, fiscal forms, and progress reports; compliance with applicable procurement and interlocal agreement requirements; attainment of all required permits, licenses, easements, or property rights necessary for the project; conducting, coordinating, and scheduling of all project activities; quality control; and submittal of required performance items.

- B. The RECIPIENT will ensure that every effort is made to maintain effective communication with the RECIPIENT's designees, the DEPARTMENT, all affected local, state, or federal jurisdictions, and any interested individuals or groups. The RECIPIENT will carry out this project in accordance with completion dates outlined in this Agreement.
- C. The RECIPIENT shall submit all invoice requests and supportive documentation to the Financial Manager of the DEPARTMENT.

Required Performance:

- 1. Effective administration and management of this grant project.
- 2. Maintenance of all project records.
- 3. Submittal of all required performance items, including the Post Project Assessment Plan, progress reports, financial vouchers, and maintenance of all project records.

<u>Total Task Cost</u> (In addition to total project cost): \$

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2. PROPOSED BUDGET (up to 15 points)

Budget: Points are awarded for a complete, reasonable budget that is consistent with the tasks described in the scope of work. Budget examples can be found in Appendix A of *Administrative Requirements for Recipients of Ecology Grants and Loans* "Yellow Book," found at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html

• Provide a clearly defined Task and Object Budget (as applicable).

TOTAL Eligible Costs by Task Elements

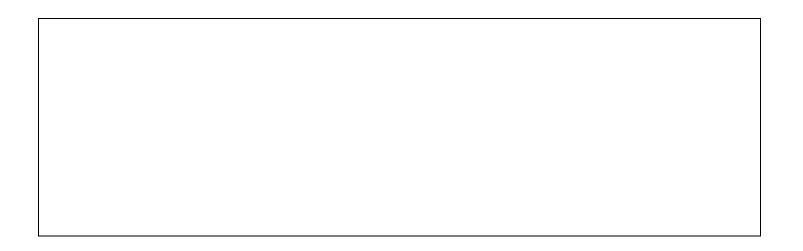
Proposed Project Budget and Time Frame			
Task elements	Total Project Cost	Total Eligible Cost	Months needed to complete
1. Project administration/management	\$	\$	

2.	\$ \$	
3.	\$ \$	
4.	\$ \$	
Total costs and months needed to complete:	\$ \$	

IOIAL Eligible Cost by Buag	get Object
Salaries: Benefits: Indirect costs: benefits) Contracts: Materials, goods, and services (list major item): Equipment (list major items): Travel: Other (please outline): Total Eligible Cost:	\$
	amounts, including local matching funds, volunteer in-kind, or ercent = 0.25 multiplied by the total eligible project cost): \$ \$ \$ \$ sing funds:

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- Describe how success of the project will be measured and documented.
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4. STATE AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS (up to 10 points)
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7. READINESS TO PROCEED (up to 5 points)
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Are you claiming financial hardship?
If yes, provide a financial hardship evaluation form at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/funding/cycles/2009/index.html .
(Thank you! This concludes Part 2)
Did you remember to: number the pages verify that the budget in Part 2, Question 2 is consistent with Part I, Question 12 include maps, diagrams, and/or pictures include applicable letter(s) include citations include applicable forms, such as hardship analysis email the application as an attachment (as soon as possible and not later than 5:00pm, October 31, 2007) to FY2009FundingApp@ecy.wa.gov send a signed original to Department of Ecology by 5:00pm, October 31, 2007 (consider using "Return Receipt Requested")