



MEMORANDUM

TO: Local Government Officials
Regional Commissions
Park & Recreation Departments

FROM: Antoinette Norfleet, Grants Manager

DATE: August 31, 2020

SUBJECT: Land and Water Conservation Fund 2020-2021 Grant Cycle

The 2020-2021 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant cycle is officially open!

The federal LWCF grant program helps state and local governments not only acquire and develop recreation lands, but also rehabilitate outdoor recreation facilities. Approximately \$9 million will be available for grant awards to local governments during this funding cycle.

Grant funds are disbursed based on scores received using criteria questions. The criteria questions have a direct correlation to the priorities identified in the current Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). This ensures that funds are being used to address statewide concerns.

New this year:

- Paper applications will not be accepted. On-line applications will be the only way to apply.
- Grant maximum award is **\$500,000**.

Again this year:

- Recipient must provide a minimum 50% match.
- Grant minimum is \$25,000.
- Only one pre-application can be submitted per jurisdiction.
- General grant information and a link to the on-line portal can be found at www.gadnr.org/lwcf
- Deadline to submit applications is 11:59 p.m. Saturday, October 31, 2020.

Please contact our office at 404.463.8629 if you have questions or need additional information.

cc: Members of the Board of Natural Resources
Mark Williams, Commissioner
Walter Rabon, Deputy Commissioner