



Agricultural Water Conservation Grant and Loan Programs

The Agricultural Water Conservation grant and loan programs provide financial assistance for agricultural water conservation projects in Texas. Financial assistance is provided in the form of grants and loans to support implementation of strategies and practices that improve agricultural irrigation water use efficiency and water conservation.

Examples of Funded Programs and Projects

- Construction projects that improve infrastructure, equipment, and efficiency of irrigation delivery.
- Technical assistance, technology transfer, and education relating to agricultural water use and conservation.
- Metering devices to quantify water savings by measuring agricultural irrigation water use.
- Long-term education and demonstration initiatives, such as the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation
 (<u>www.depts.ttu.edu/tawc/</u>) and the Master Irrigators Program (<u>northplainsgcd.org/conservationprograms/communityedu/</u> master-irrigator/).

Grants

- The TWDB publishes a request for applications in the Texas Register each year that details available funding.
- Grant categories vary from year to year.

Eligible Grant Applicants

- State agencies.
- Political subdivisions.

Loans

- Low fixed interest rates.
- Up to 10-year repayment terms.
- Applications may be submitted at any time, subject to availability of funds.
- American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements apply to certain projects.

Eligible Loan Applicants

Political subdivisions.

For specific questions about grants, please contact agconservation@twdb.texas.gov.

Detailed information about the grant program is available at www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/AWCG.

For specific questions about loans, please contact <u>financial_assistance@twdb.texas.gov</u>.

Detailed information about the loan program is available at www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/AWCL.

