



TWDB Funds Water Conservation Projects

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) offers a variety of cost-effective financial assistance programs to fund various types of conservation projects, including those associated with education and research, equipment and infrastructure, and public or private property, among others. Majority of conservation projects are funded through loans, although some

may qualify for grants. According to the 2017 State Water Plan, communities and individuals across Texas will continue to rely on conservation to help manage our water more efficiently; conservation is by far the most commonly recommended strategy in the plan for meeting our water needs now and in the future.

Examples of Eligible Projects

Education and Research

- Demonstration, technology transfer, and research projects
- Development of water conservation plans
- Developing outreach, public awareness, other training programs and literature for students, teachers, and the public

Equipment and Infrastructure

- Municipal meter replacement programs, automated meter reading systems, and improved accounting systems to address apparent water loss
- Repairing leaks, replacing pipelines, and other methods to address real water loss
- Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)
- Agricultural irrigation meters
- Canal lining, automated gates, pipelines, and other irrigation system improvements

Public or Private Property

- Installation of water-efficient fixtures (e.g. toilet rebate programs, high-efficiency showerheads)
- Rainwater harvesting rebate programs
- Audits of individual irrigation systems or distribution systems
- Upgrades to existing agricultural irrigation systems (LEPA center pivots, installation of subsurface drip, etc.)
- Installation of meters, weather monitoring equipment, and soil-moisture sensors
- Brush control, precipitation enhancement, and evaporation suppression
- Conversion of irrigated land to dryland conditions

For specific questions, please contact Financial_Assistance@twdb.texas.gov. Detailed information on TWDB financial assistance programs is also available at www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs.