

2025 Joint Allocation Plan and Environmental Assessment



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PRELIMINARY 2025 JOINT ALLOCATION PLAN

- *After being presented today, the Preliminary Joint Allocation Plan is released to counties and other interested parties for a 30-day comment period, ending September 6, 2024.*
- *Comments received will be included in the Final Joint Allocation Plan, which will come before this board at the October 2024 meeting.*



JOINT ALLOCATION PLAN

- Five different DATCP grants included
 - Staffing
 - Cost-share
 - NMFE
 - Innovation
 - Cooperator

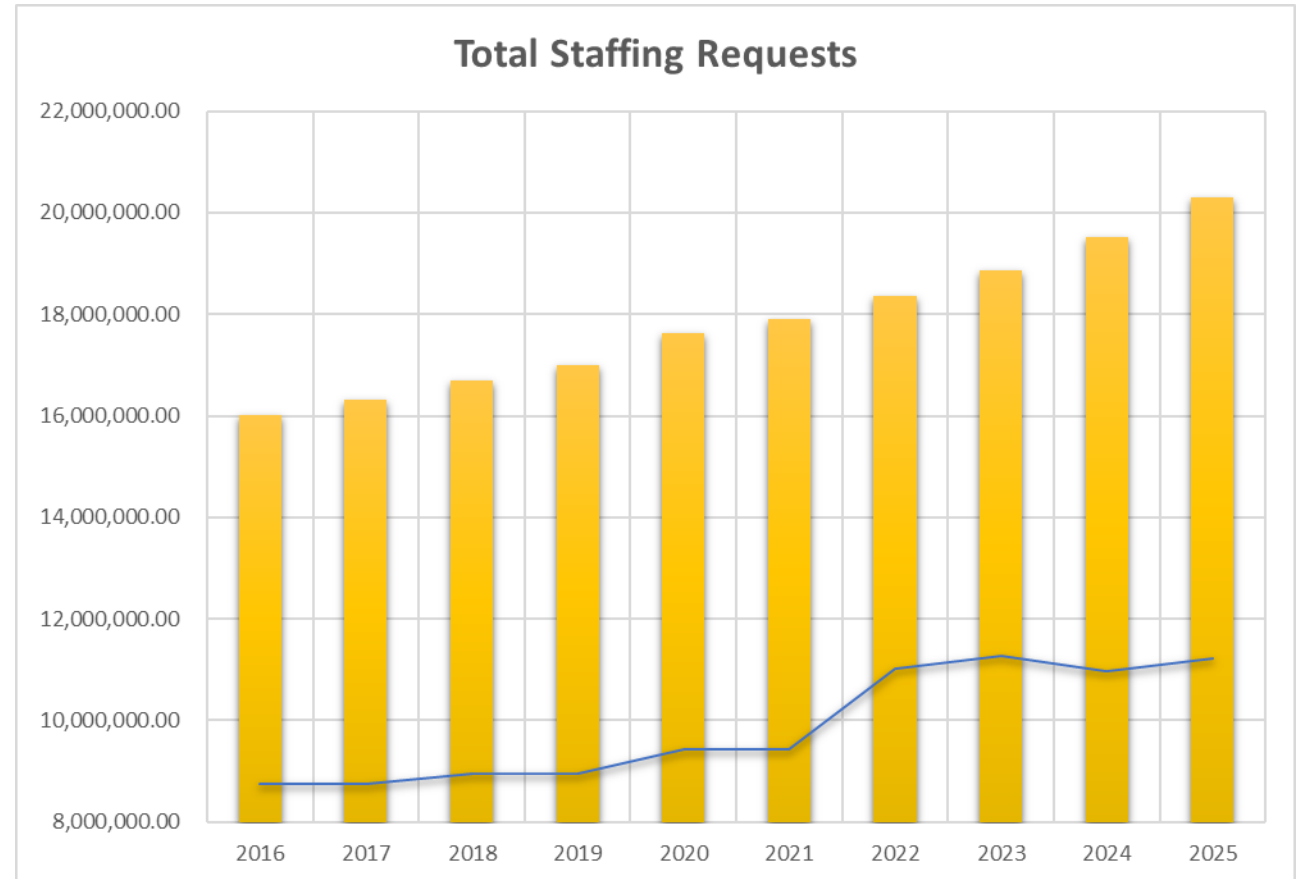


- Funding to all 72 counties
- Goals:
 - 100% of 1st position
 - 70% of 2nd position
 - 50% of 3rd position and subsequent positions

Total Proposed Award:
\$11,214,400

STAFFING GRANTS

72 COUNTY APPLICANTS / 72 AWARDS

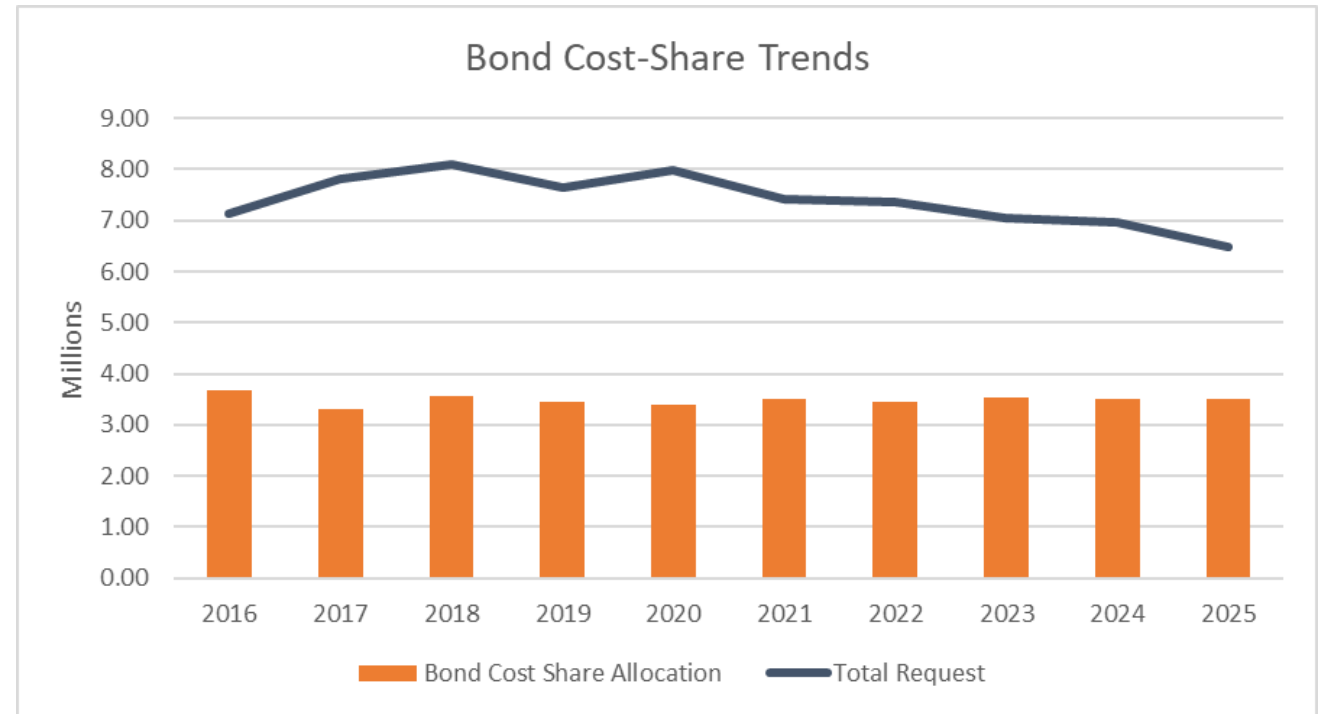


- Structural cost-share
 - 72 awarded
- All applicants received an award.

Total Proposed Award: \$3,500,000

COST-SHARE GRANTS

STRUCTURAL COST-SHARE (FORMERLY BOND COST-SHARE)

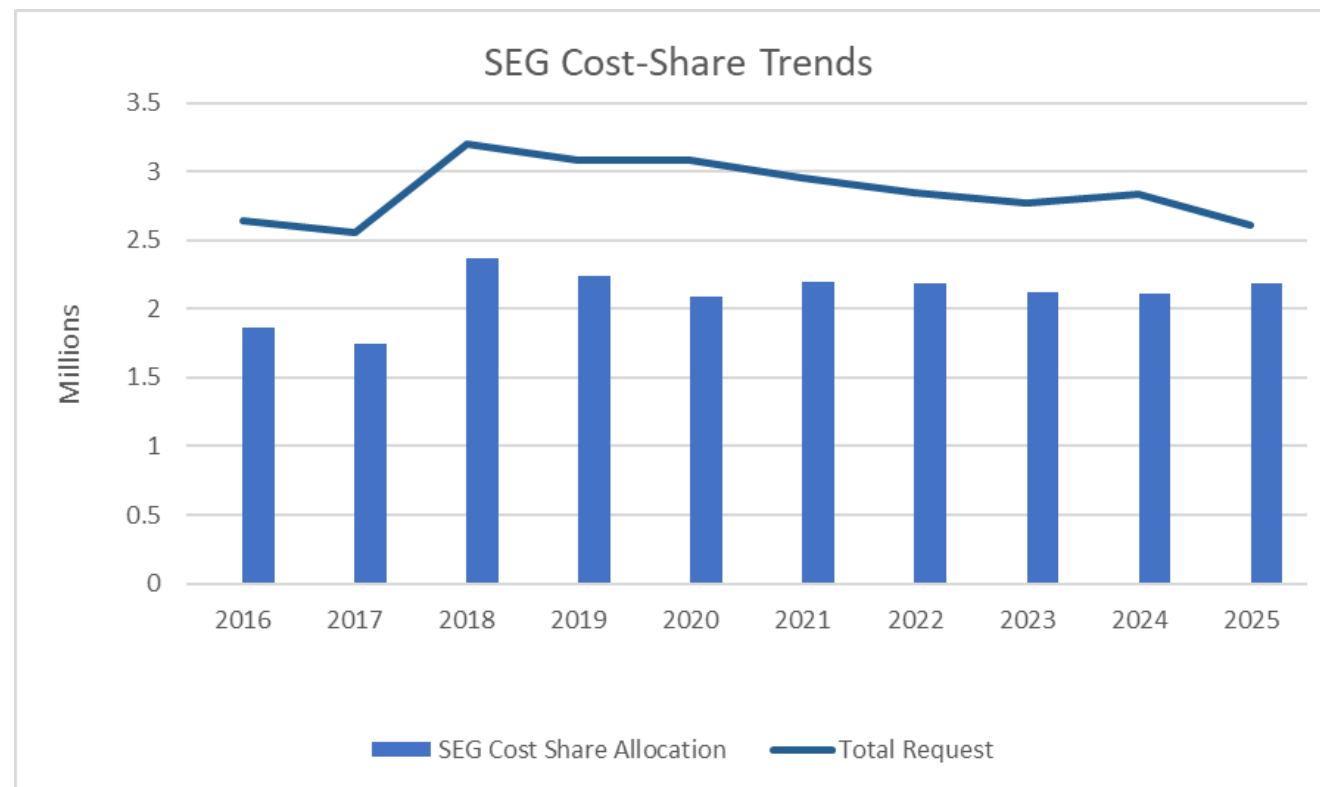


- Cropping practices cost-share
- 61 awarded
- All applicants received an award.

Total Proposed Award: \$2,183,000

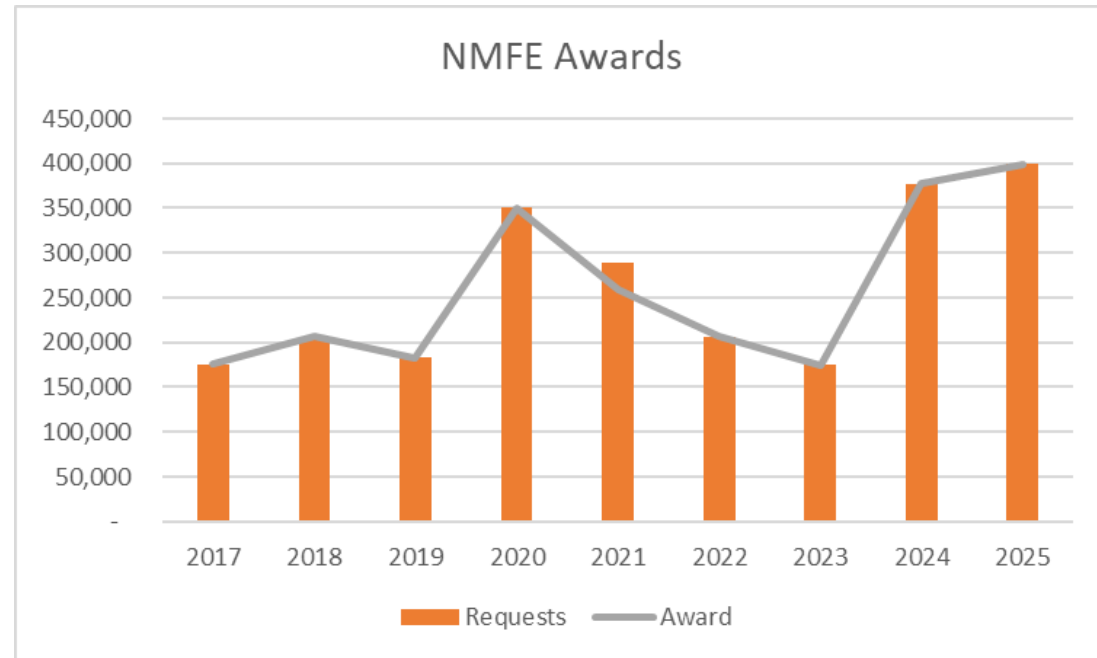
COST-SHARE GRANTS

SEG / CROPPING COST-SHARE GRANTS



- 23 applications and awards
- Tier 1 Funding: NM training to producers and plan writers to develop a 590-compliant NM plan
- Tier 2 Funding: Training, but no plan required
- Funding for laptops for training

TOTAL PROPOSED AWARD: \$399,391



NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT FARMER EDUCATION

GRANTS TO COUNTIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO TRAIN FARMERS TO COMPLETE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNING

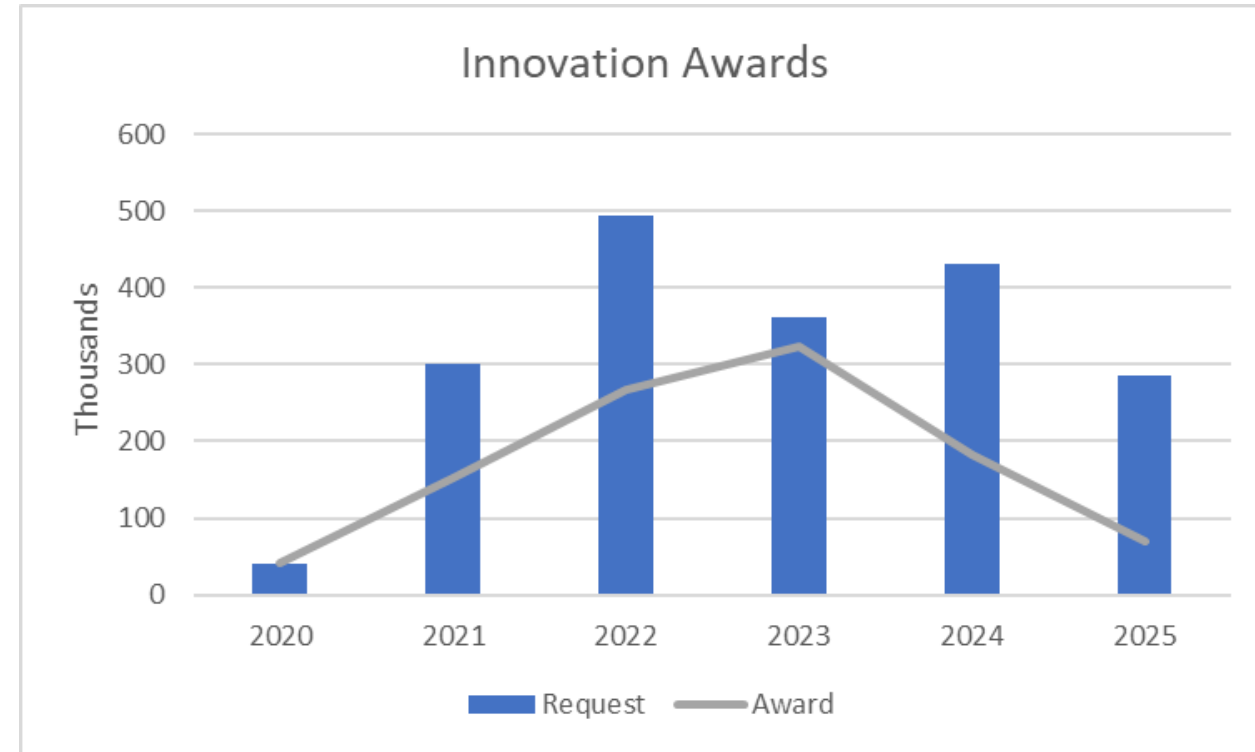


- 12 applications / six awards
- Example projects:
 - Soil health
 - Incentives for signing AEA agreements
 - Well testing, education, and mediation
 - Nitrogen studies

TOTAL PROPOSED AWARD: \$69,848

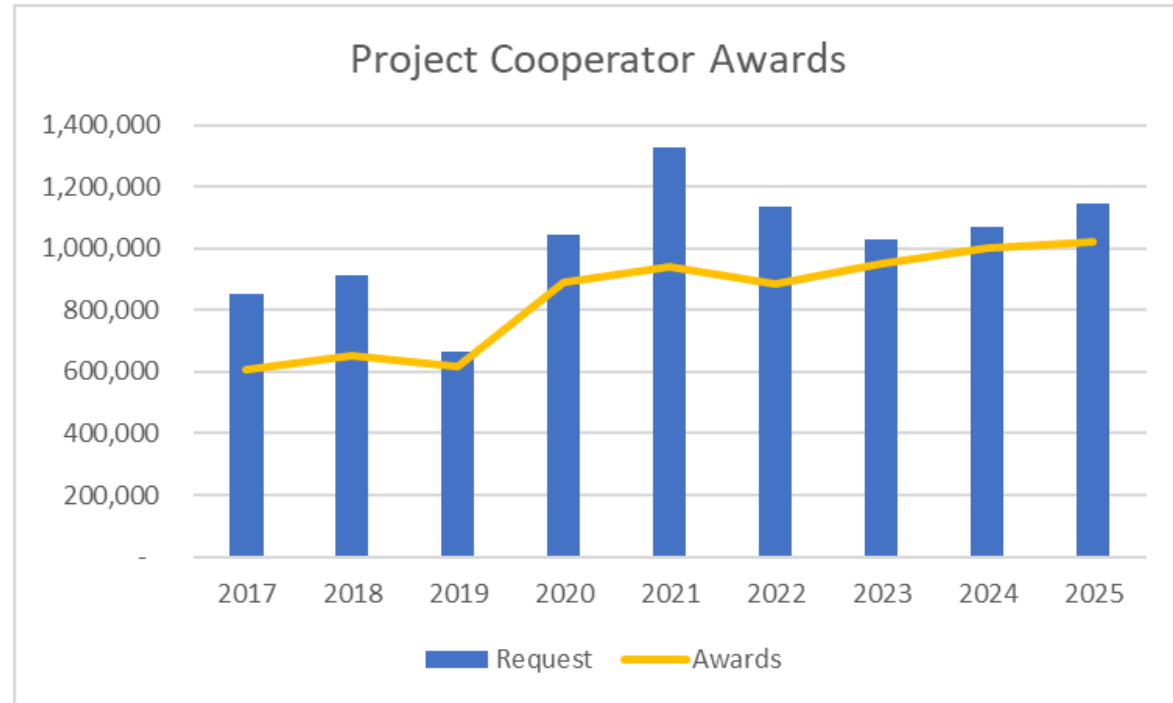
INNOVATION GRANTS

GRANTS TO COUNTIES TO ENCOURAGE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNING



- Eight applications / eight awards
- Grantees Include:
 - WI Land and Water
 - WI Land and Water SOC
 - UW-CALS (SnapPlus)
 - UW-Extension (NPM)
 - UW-Soil Lab
 - UW-GNHS
 - UW-SFAL
 - Sand County Foundation

TOTAL PROPOSED AWARD: \$1,022,761



OTHER PROJECT COOPERATORS

GRANTS FOR STATEWIDE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF CONSERVATION



FINAL ALLOCATION NUMBERS

CHART 1: GRANT REQUESTS AND ALLOCATIONS			
Funding Category	Total Requests	Unmet Requests	Allocation Amounts
DATCP			
County Staff/Support	\$20,214,329	\$8,999,929	\$11,214,400
LWRM Cost-Share	\$6,493,000	\$2,993,000	\$3,500,000
Bond Reserve (B)	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
LWRM Cost-Share (SEG)	\$2,608,000	\$425,000	\$2,183,000
Cooperator Contracts (SEG)	\$1,144,007	\$121,246	\$1,022,761
Innovation Grants (SEG)	\$284,950	\$215,102	\$69,848
NMFE Grants (SEG)	\$399,391	\$0	\$399,391
SUBTOTAL	\$31,293,677	\$12,754,277	\$18,539,400
DNR			
UNPS Planning	NA	NA	NA
UNPS Construction	\$85,000	\$0	\$85,000
TRM	\$3,797,531	\$0	\$3,797,531
NOD Reserve (B)			\$1,000,000
SUBTOTAL	\$3,882,531	\$0	\$4,882,531
TOTAL			\$23,421,931

DATCP

- Staffing Grants \$11,214,400 (55% of requests)
- Cost-share Grants
 - Bond \$3,500,000 (54% of requests)
 - SEG \$2,183,000 (84% of requests)
 - Eng Reserve \$150,000
- Cooperator Grants
 - Statewide projects \$1,022,761 (89% of requests)
 - Innovation \$69,848 (25% of requests)
 - NMFE \$399,391 (100% of requests)



ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The environmental effects of the proposed allocation plan are positive. Through support for conservation staff and landowner cost-sharing, the proposed allocation plan will result in actions on farms and other areas that reduce soil erosion, prevent farm runoff, improve soil health, increase nutrient management planning, and minimize pollution of surface and ground water.



ACTION

This is an informational item. However, if the LWCB wishes to do so, it may vote to “receive” the *2025 Preliminary Joint Allocation Plan*. A vote to “receive” the preliminary allocation plan does not bind the LWCB to any position.



Thank you!



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