

INSTRUCTIONS:

SCC / CD GRANT CALENDAR AND DIRECTORY

Overview

In the spring of 2013, the Washington State Conservation Commission (SCC) began exploring external grant opportunities to help fund conservation district programs and projects. The Commission hired a contractor to create a grant calendar and directory that would help the SCC and conservation districts search, track, and prepare for potential funding opportunities.

The resulting Grant Calendar and Directory is now available for districts to reference from the SCC's website. It's a living document—SCC staff continues to update and add new grant opportunities.

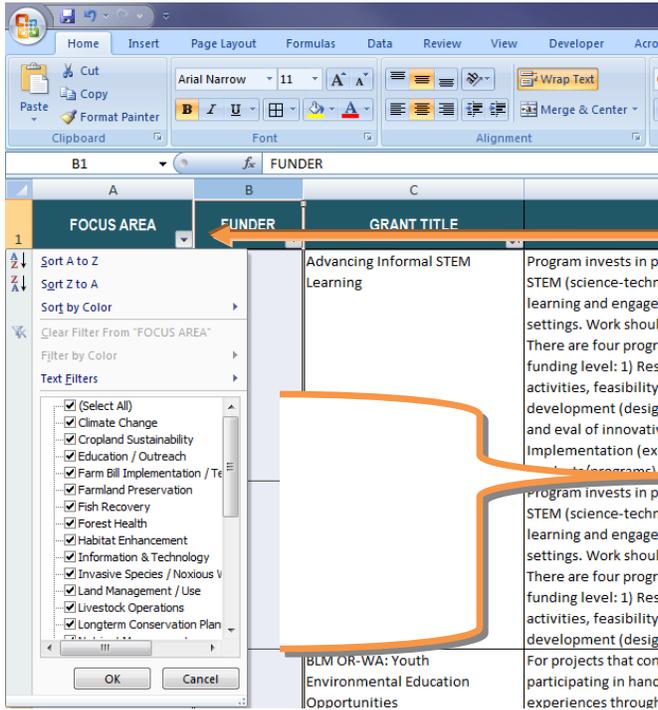
How to Use the Grant Calendar and Directory

The Grant Calendar and Directory is an Excel workbook consisting of three sheets:

- 1) **Calendar:** Presents a visual layout of estimated grant announcements and deadlines organized by quarter. Grant titles are color-coded based on eligibility and hyperlinked to program websites.
- 2) **Funding Directory:** Database of all grant opportunities tracked so far. Here users can find short descriptions of each grant as well as information on cost-share, funding ceiling, grant period, funder contact information, and more.
- 3) **Focus Area and District Priorities:** Table of conservation focus areas listed in conservation districts' annual- and long-range plans and the districts that listed those focus areas. This sheet is designed to help districts find partners for grant applications and search for grants in the funding directory (see *Searching for Grants in the Funding Directory* on p. 2 of this instruction sheet).

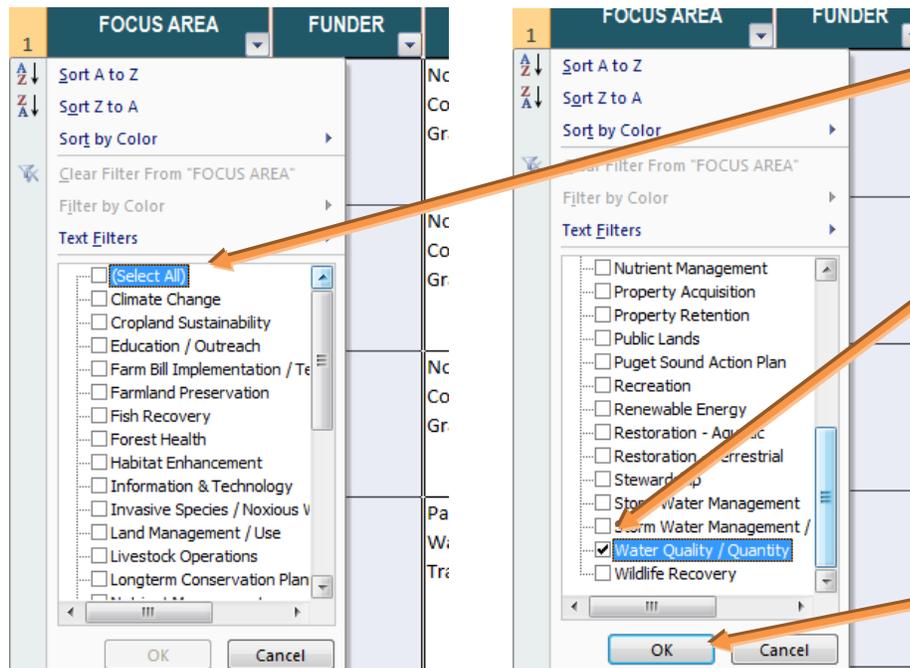
Searching for Grants in the Funding Directory

To help make the Funding Directory easier to search, each column is filterable. The following screen shots show how to use filters to search for grants based on focus areas (e.g. invasive species, habitat retention, education / outreach, etc).



Focus Areas are found in column A of the directory. To search the database for grants that fund a particular focus area, such as water quality / quantity, click the gray arrow button in the bottom right corner of the column heading.

Clicking the gray arrow button opens a long menu that lists all focus areas included in the directory. Each focus area has a marked check box next to it.



Click the check box next to "Select All" at the top to deselect all focus areas.

Scroll to the desired focus area and check the box next to it. The example to the left selects water quality / quantity.

Click the OK button.

	A	B	C	D
1	FOCUS AREA	FUNDER	GRANT TITLE	DESCRIPTION
78	Water Quality / Quantity	EPA	Wetland Program Development Grant	Funds can be used to build and refine any element of a comprehensive wetland program. Proposals must carry out grant-eligible actions from an EPA-approved Wetland Program Plan (in coordination with ECY), address one of the EPA's core elements of a WPP: 1) Monitoring and assessment; 2) Regulatory activities; 3) Voluntary restoration and protection; and 4) Water quality standards for wetlands.
85	Water Quality / Quantity	WA Dept of Ecology	Water Quality Financial Assistance - Centennial Clean Water, 319, Water Pollution Control	Water quality funding assistance under three programs. Eligible projects under these programs include: 1) water treatment facilities, nonpoint source activity, on-site sewage systems, and stormwater (including LID); 2) allowance for outreach/education (depending on the area); and 3) implementation and reporting of BMPs as priority.

The directory will now only show the grants relating to water quality / quantity.

To re-filter based on other focus area criteria, return to the filter menu.

Questions?

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