

Many Solano County residents live on the floodplain or near impaired waterways that pose a risk of flooding....



Allendale Road and I-505

The Solano County Water Agency and Solano Resource Conservation District want to work with groups of landowners to minimize their risk of flood, reduce their impact on the watershed and assist with effective long-term conservation planning.

Potential Small Grant Projects could include:

- Detention Ponds
- Sediment Ponds
- Drainage Improvements (Improved Culverts, Drainage Channels)
- Floodplain Drainage Swales
- Dual Use Detention & Wildlife Ponds
- Drainage Studies

If you have a flooding concern you would like to solve, this brochure discusses some of the resources available to you.



http://www.scwa2.com/Small_Grant_Program2.html



**For more information,
or to apply for a small grant, contact:**

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SOLANO RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Flood Control Small Grant Program



to help Solano County residents implement
small flood control and drainage projects

To qualify for a small grant, four criteria must be met:

- The property owner must sign an agreement with the Water Agency to receive funding.
- The project must benefit more than just one property owner
- The project must not adversely impact others downstream or upstream
- Landowners must commit to on-going maintenance
- Landowners are required to provide a 20% contribution to project costs in the form of cash, provision of materials or labor

Special considerations and criteria:

- Projects in which the landowners contribute toward the cost of the project with cash or an in-kind donation (such as labor and materials) will be given stronger consideration.
- Studies and design are eligible for funding.
- Special criteria apply to erosion control and sediment retention projects.
- The erosion control project must be on a stream that is an identified source of sediment and must directly correct a downstream flooding problem. The cause of the erosion must be beyond the landowners' control to correct and the project must not only protect property, but ultimately reduce sediment.

Example of a small grant project



Several landowners identified a recurring flood problem which flooded their only access road along with several structures (no defined drainage).



Their small grant paid for planning and construction to improve the drainage, install rip-rap, and replace culverts.



The improved drainage channel successfully diverted water during the storm season and reduced localized flooding.

The small grant process

Details of the process will vary depending on the project, but a typical project would be approached as follows:

1. Collaborate with neighbors to identify a problem area that affects multiple parcels.
2. Determine if the potential project meets the criteria for small grants.
3. Contact SRCD (info on back) to schedule a site visit and plan the proposal.
4. Many projects consist of 2 small grants - one for the planning/design phase and a second for implementation.
5. Submit proposal to SCWA by the August 1 or February 1 deadline.
6. If accepted, SCRD will assist applicants with acquiring the necessary permits and identifying contractors to perform the work.
7. Applicants pay for the work and are reimbursed for 80% of the costs.



storm water detention pond