



Large-scale project turf buy back grant application guide

DWA is excited to announce that \$500,000 is available for turf buy back grants for the 2016-17 program year.

Apply at www.dwa.org/turf

Applications will be accepted from noon of August 17 through September 30, 2016. Projects will be scored based on predetermined criteria. Please note that this is a very competitive process and these funds should not be relied upon as a source of funding for projects in development. Last year only a fifth of projects were approved.

Scoring criteria will be used to review projects. **Applications will NOT be accepted on a first come, first served basis.**

New this year

- Rebates are for **\$1** per square foot. Additional grants and funding sources are permitted.
- Large-scale (commercial, HOA and public entities) projects are limited to applying for up to 20,000 square feet/\$20,000. DWA may approve none, some or all of the requested square footage.
- Only areas clearly visible from a publicly accessible street will be considered.
- We will not review or discuss any projects with applicants until October.
- **Applications are to be submitted online.** If you do not have access to a personal computer, please use a public library. You will need to have all information compiled.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Grant applications **must** include:

- **All** DWA account numbers associated with landscape areas (please check your meters/ask your landscaper)
- Contact person (Property manager, HOA board member or authorized landscaper/landscape designer*)
- Mailing address for correspondence and rebate check
- Email and phone contact
- Assessor's parcel number(s) (APN)
- Map of the property with turf removal areas clearly labeled, photo of the area from the street
- Street name and closest intersection of areas with turf buy back funding requested
- Square footage of area where funding is requested (DWA will verify)
- A letter certifying that your decision-making body has approved a landscape conversion for the areas applied for
- Name on property title, lease or ownership documents
- A bid or cost estimate for the conversion
- Completed W-9 form (this is the entity that rebate check would be cut to)

Additional questions

Has your project received city approval? If no, please describe where you are in the process

Have you previously received DWA funding or approval for turf buy back? If yes, please list the amount

Is there anything that makes your project more visible that is not evident by the map? (events, nearby features, etc.)

Do you have plan to convert areas beyond the requested rebate areas? If yes, what is the approximate square footage?

If you are converting additional areas beyond application, please describe

* NOTE: Large-scale projects will be given points for thoroughness of the application.