

#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

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# Riparian Grant Program

## WHAT CAN BE FUNDED?





Technical Assistance Planning / Design Monitoring



Financial Assistance Incentive Payments





#### What is RGP?

The Riparian Grant Program (RGP) provides funding for projects to restore and protect riparian habitat, the management zone along the edge of water bodies. Riparian habitat restoration and protection projects are crucial for restoring healthy ecosystems and conserving biodiversity.

Program information and guidelines can be found at scc.wa.gov/programs/riparian-grant-program.

#### How does it work?

Conservation districts are the only eligible entities for this program. Other organizations, agencies, and entities are encouraged to work with their local conservation district to identify, support, and partner on riparian project implementation.

All land ownerships are eligible under this program including private, tribal, federal, state, non-profit organization, or local government ownerships. All stream types regardless of the presence of salmonids are eligible.

Funds may be used for the following eligible project types:

- Riparian restoration program outreach
- Technical assistance / planning / design / monitoring
- Landowner implemented cost share
- District Implemented Projects
- Tiered incentive payments
- Maintenance
- Permanent protection



This work is supported through funding from Washington's Climate Commitment Act (CCA). The CCA supports Washington's climate action efforts by putting cap-and-invest dollars to work reducing climate pollution, creating jobs, and improving public health.

Information about the CCA is available at www.climate.wa.gov.

### **Tiered Incentive Payments Information**

#### **FUNDING FAQ**



Annual payments are made to a private landowner for participating in riparian management.

Annual Payment: \$300 minimum per acre \$1,000 maximum per acre



Payment amount is determined by buffer width & acres enrolled.

Minimum Width NRCS Practices & Standards

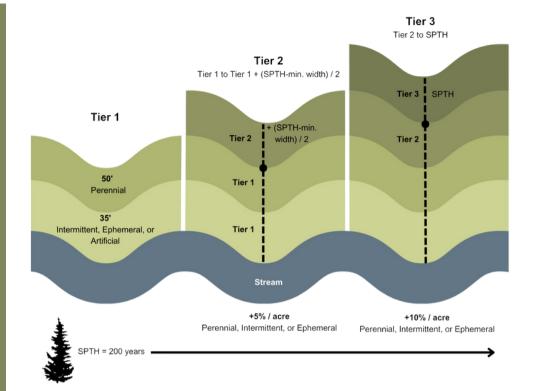
Maximum Width Site Potential Tree Height (SPTH) 200 years



Existing buffers not eligible



10 or 15 year agreements



#### Contact your local conservation district to learn more.

Districts engage land managers with voluntary actions that keep our air, water, soil, habitats, and farmland healthy for all. The management of riparian areas aims to enhance the ecological integrity and resilience of these habitats, strengthen habitat for native species, improve water quality, and promote the sustainable use of Washington's natural resources.

Find your local conservation district at **scc.wa.gov.** 







Contact Your Conservation District's Regional Manager



<u>scc.wa.gov/cd/regional-managers</u>