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Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant (UORG)	UCA 79-8-401 / R650-302	Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Account	\$10,153,000	2022: 66 2023: 64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project must be complete within 28 months of the date the contract is signed. Grant recipients will need to provide a project progress report twice a year until completion. - Funding is generally given after the applicant's spend. However, on-the-spot funding help is available (see page 16 of the grant program guide). - Up to 75% of the matched monies may be given before completion of the project. - The final funding is contingent upon inspection of the completed project. - Awardees will only receive reimbursement funds up to the amount the awardee spends (e.g., if you were initially awarded \$10,000 but only ended up spending enough to qualify for \$8,000, awardees will only be reimbursed \$8,000)." 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rural support - how do we best serve rural communities with education on the grants, training for how to apply, and a funding process that supports their projects in an equitable manner. Reduction in rural match amounts and increased support for rural staff is showing effectiveness. 2. Administrative support with growth - as we continue to increase available funding, and increase programs, we aim to continue the high level of staff support given to our applicants and compliance for how the funding is distributed. 3. Data management - as programs grow, it is an important challenge to continue developing systems to track anything from awards, to site visits and compliance, contract deadlines, and evaluation reports. 	https://recreation.utah.gov/utah-outdoor-recreation-grant/	2021 Annual Report 2022 Annual Report 2023 Annual Report	The UORG program consists of the Tier 1, Regional Asset Tier, Recreation Restoration Infrastructure(RRI), Mini-Grant, and Outdoor Classroom Grant. As the RRI program is the only other program named in code, those awards have been pulled from this row and put on their own row.
Recreation Restoration Infrastructure Grant (RRI)	UCA 79-8-202 / R650-303	Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Account Outdoor Adventure Infrastructure Restricted Account (22%)	\$1,522,950	2022: 16 2023: 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project must be complete within 28 months of the date the contract is signed. Grant recipients will need to provide a project progress report twice a year until completion. - Funding is generally given after the applicant's spend. However, on-the-spot funding help is available (see page 16 of the grant program guide). - Up to 75% of the matched monies may be given before completion of the project. - The final funding is contingent upon inspection of the completed project. - Awardees will only receive reimbursement funds up to the amount the awardee spends (e.g., if you were initially awarded \$10,000 but only ended up spending enough to qualify for \$8,000, awardees will only be reimbursed \$8,000). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rural support - how do we best serve rural communities with education on the grants, training for how to apply, and a funding process that supports their projects in an equitable manner. Reduction in rural match amounts and increased support for rural staff is showing effectiveness. 2. Administrative support with growth - as we continue to increase available funding, and increase programs, we aim to continue the high level of staff support given to our applicants and compliance for how the funding is distributed. 3. Data management - as programs grow, it is an important challenge to continue developing systems to track anything from awards, to site visits and compliance, contract deadlines, and evaluation reports. 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/recreation-restoration-infrastructure-grant-ri/	2021 Annual Report 2022 Annual Report 2023 Annual Report	While part of the UORG umbrella, RRI is separated here. However, we communicate these funding sources as one in our funding totals for annual reports.
Outdoor Recreation Initiative (Recreation Coordinated Investment Initiative)	UCA 79-7-502	Outdoor Adventure Infrastructure Restricted Account	\$33,571,300	2023:12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project must be complete within 28 months of the date the contract is signed. Grant recipients will need to provide a project progress report twice a year until completion. - Funding is generally given after the applicant's spend. However, on-the-spot funding help is available following guidelines established in DOR's other programs. - Up to 75% of the matched monies may be given before completion of the project. - The final funding is contingent upon inspection of the completed project. - Awardees will only receive reimbursement funds up to the amount the awardee spends (e.g., if you were initially awarded \$10,000 but only ended up spending enough to qualify for \$8,000, awardees will only be reimbursed \$8,000). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As a new program, the main challenge is creating a project solicitation model that allows all regions of Utah to contribute, which is being done through the establishment of regional recreation councils to solicit and rank projects that then are submitted to the Outdoor Adventure Commission. 2. Project management aspects of the program will be new to DOR staff and figures to be a challenge as that aspect is developed. 3. How to incorporate planning/NEPA support within the program. This program fills many gaps of support that DOR can offer and facilitating planning for local communities will be a challenge to be implement. Initial plans are going well. 			H.B. 384 (3rd Substitute) - Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Amendments by Rep. Stenquist Defines "outdoor recreation infrastructure" for section 51-9-902 (Outdoor Adventure Infrastructure Restricted Account) Creates a structure for how money from the Outdoor Adventure Infrastructure Restricted Account shall be allocated: at least 15% to the Division of State Parks Capital (using the department's existing prioritization process for capital projects in state parks); at least 22% to the Division of Outdoor Recreation Capital (competitive RRI grants or UORG for outdoor recreation capital projects and related maintenance expenses, where maintenance expenses do not exceed 15% of the appropriation); and at least 53% to the Division of Outdoor Recreation Capital (for larger outdoor recreation infrastructure projects as recommended to the Legislature by the Outdoor Adventure Commission).
OHV Recreation Grant (OHVR) – Semi-Annual (including the Year-Round OHV Land Acquisition Grant which hasn't received applications since 2/15/2023)	UCA 41-22-19 / R650-301	OHV Restricted Account	\$3,675,000	FY22: 69 FY23: 66	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The project must be completed within 28 months of the date the contract is signed. Grant recipients will need to provide a project progress report twice a year until completion. - Funding is generally given after the applicant's spend. However, on-the-spot funding help is available (see page 19 of the grant program guide). - Up to 75% of the matched monies may be given before completion of the project. - The final funding is contingent upon inspection of the completed project. - Awardees will only receive reimbursement funds up to the amount the awardee spends (e.g., if you were initially awarded \$10,000 but only ended up spending enough to qualify for \$8,000, awardees will only be reimbursed \$8,000). <p>Year-Round OHV Land Acquisition Grant</p> <p>Within 12 months of the contract start date, applicants will be reminded to fill out a simple progress report. Emails about reporting deadlines will also include detailed instructions on accessing, filling out, and submitting each report. Progress reports will be required every 12 months during the 28-month contract period.</p> <p>A site inspection by OHVR staff is required at the completion of this project. Please contact OHVR staff to set up a date for this visit.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improving risk mitigation - after a few years of running this program, previous policies have shown a need for stricter dispersment processes around advanced funding and fixed assets, which are now in effect. 2. Data management - this program has gone through various forms, including applications submitted on paper, and different grant software. We are currently working to unify all the data but see it as a challenge to combine the different forms of applications, and the changes on requested information the applications have asked for. 3. Communication from past and current applicants regarding documentation has been inconsistent, leading to gaps in meeting our requirements. We are actively addressing this by reaching out to past applicants to ensure comprehensive documentation is provided and by refining our communication processes with current applicants to prevent similar issues in the future. 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/utah-ohv-recreation-grant/ / https://recreation.utah.gov/year-round-ohv-land-acquisition-grant/	2022 Annual Report 2023 Annual Report	

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Utah Boating Grant	UCA 59-2-405.2		\$0.00	0	TBD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The funding mechanism for the Utah Boating Grant may be unconstitutional under Section XIII, Section 5, Subsection (7) of the Utah Constitution. That section of the Utah Constitution provides that money the State collects from assessing aged-based fees on boats must be "distributed to the taxing districts in which the property is located in the same proportion as that in which the revenue collected from real property tax is distributed." Currently this is not what happens for aged-based fee monies that are assessed against vessels under Utah Code § 59-2-405.2(3)(k) through (o). Instead, some of those fees are distributed to the Boating Account to be used for the Boating Grant. This is problematic because, under the Utah Constitution, those fees should be distributed to the taxing entities (the counties) and not the Boating Account. The bank account needs to build up in order to have sufficient funds to grant out and we need an appropriation in order to use the funds. Growing a new grant program including advertising the grant and soliciting grantee applications. 			
Federal funds: Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965	Federal fund	\$3,947,327	2022: 3 2023: 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Projects are expected to be completed within three years of award date. Progress inspection reports may be combined with the annual performance report or submitted to the NPS at the same time as a payment request. Final inspection reports must be submitted to NPS within 90 days after the date of completing a project and prior to final reimbursement and administrative closeout. States must conduct post-completion site inspections within five years after the final project reimbursement and every five years thereafter. See Chapter 8.C for specific guidance on post-completion inspections and submission of inspection reports. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Federal stewardship requirements (perpetuity clause) Delays/inconsistency for federal award timelines Conversions/temporary access requests 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/lwcf/		
Federal funds: Recreational Trails Program (RTP)	Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21)	Federal fund	\$1,764,894.00	2022: 17 2023: 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project must be complete within 18 months of the date the contract is signed. Grant recipients will need to provide a project progress report twice a year until completion. Funding is generally given after the applicant's spend. However, on-the-spot funding help is available Up to 75% of the matched monies may be given before completion of the project. The final funding is contingent upon inspection of the completed project. Awardees will only receive reimbursement funds up to the amount the awardee spends (e.g., if you were initially awarded \$10,000 but only ended up spending enough to qualify for \$8,000, awardees will only be reimbursed \$8,000). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> NEPA compliance requirements Lack of grant reference materials/guidelines Limited education funding 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/recreational-trails-program/		
Outdoor Recreation Planning Assistance (ORPA)	Money appropriated via Item 2 in HB305 (2022)	GF for state planner position, no funding support for recipients	GF for state planner position, no funding support for recipients	2	ORPA currently does not have any reporting requirements.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of funding for preliminary engineering, environmental surveys, etc. Limited staff support (1FTE) NEPA requirements prevent communities from having a smooth transition from ORPA to DOR grant opportunities 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/planning-assistance/		
Federal funds: Boating Access Grant	50CFR80	Federal fund administered by Division of Wildlife. DOR provide state match by Boating Restricted Account.	\$350,000	2022: 7 2023: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants are open for two years (extensions can be granted but must be applied for). Grantee must provide interim reports to DWR and the US Fish & Wildlife Service. Grantee must provide final report. All requests for funding must have details of what was purchased; this is compared against grant application. Any changes must go through DWR and be approved by US Fish & Wildlife Service. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Delays and the volatility of supply/demand of materials: We accept an application nearly a year ahead of time from when they get awarded and there may be a big change in costs of materials, etc. Supply of materials may change. This is the reason we are running the account balances we are. We have a very small replacement backlog and therefore are tooling the awarding of the grant to address this so we are not faced with an excessive backlog. We do an age- and condition-assessment of previously awarded projects so we can determine when the replacement time needs to occur to prevent a backlog of aging infrastructure. 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/boating-access/		
Federal funds: Clean Vessel Act Grant	50CFR85	Federal fund	N/A, usually apply for new federal fiscal year in August. Revenue appropriated for Clean Vessel Act Grant is part of the \$350,000 in Boating Access Grant.	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants are open for two years (extensions can be granted but must be applied for). Grantee must provide interim reports to DWR and the US Fish & Wildlife Service. Grantee must provide final report. All requests for funding must have details of what was purchased; this is compared against grant application. Any changes must go through DWR and be approved by US Fish & Wildlife Service. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Eligible components: the scope it can be granted to is very narrow (must go to a boating facility and must be a floating restrooms and/or pump out station) Being able to have capacity to advertise grant to make it more effective and efficient in the State of Utah. Having a grant staff to assist with this will help. 	https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/clean-vessel-act/		