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4-18-108 Grants for environment improvement projects -- Criteria for award -- Duties of commission.

- (1)
 - (a) Subject to appropriation, the commission, as described in Subsection (4), may make a grant to an owner or operator of a farm or ranch to pay for costs of plans or projects to improve manure management, control surface water runoff or other environmental issues on the farm or ranch operation, including costs of preparing or implementing a nutrient management plan.
 - (b) The commission shall make a grant described in Subsection (1)(a) from funds appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose.
- (2)
 - (a) In awarding a grant, the commission shall consider the following criteria:
 - (i) the ability of the grantee to pay for costs of plans or projects to improve manure management or control surface water runoff;
 - (ii) the availability of:
 - (A) matching funds provided by the grantee or another source; or
 - (B) material, labor, or other items of value provided in lieu of money by the grantee or another source; and
 - (iii) the benefits that accrue to the general public by the awarding of a grant.
 - (b) The commission may establish by rule additional criteria for the awarding of a grant.
- (3) The commission shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to implement this section.
- (4) The commission:
 - (a) shall be responsible for awarding a grant or loan for water quality or other environmental issues; and
 - (b) may appoint an advisory board to:
 - (i) assist with the award process; and
 - (ii) make recommendations to the commission regarding awards.

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