

Inflation Reduction Act Grant General Grant Requirements

- 1).** Projects must be on public lands or in public right of ways. Exceptions to this rule may be allowed but will only be considered on a case by case basis.

- 2).** All work must be performed in disadvantaged areas (as determined by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool) to receive a full match waiver or be considered for funding.

- 3).** To be eligible for a grant, you **must** obtain professional advice from the Division of Resource Conservation & Forestry (RCF). Our assistance will ensure the tree species selected are suitable for the site and the planting plans are compatible with the parameters of the grant. **Please include a species list and cost estimate, in your proposal.** When requesting grant funds for tree planting, at least two bids should be included from local nurseries.

- 4).** Work plan – a narrative describing who, what, when, where, and how the project will be completed must be included with the application.

- 5).** Following grant notification and prior to project implementation, a brief planning meeting between the grantee and a RC&F Urban & Community Forestry (U&CF) team member **must** be arranged. This will ensure that proper planting and maintenance procedures are followed.

- 6).** An RC&F forester **must** be present the first day of groundwork on the grant. For new tree plantings 10 business days of notice prior to planting is required.

- 7).** Occasional changes to the grant may be required. All changes **must** be approved by the RC&F Community Forester assisting with your grant. Changes **must** be in writing and approved in advance.

Failure to comply with these requirements may cause delays to your grant or result in your grant not being eligible for reimbursement.