

## **\$4 Million in Stimulus Funding Reserved For GREEN Water Quality Projects**

The Utah Water Quality Board has reserved approximately \$4 million dollars of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funds to be received by the state to fund “GREEN” water quality projects in Utah. This funding will be targeted toward nonpoint source, green infrastructure, water and energy efficiency, and environmentally innovative projects as outlined in EPA’s Guidance issued by the Office of Water on March 2, 2009.

Applications for green stimulus funding are due to Division of Water Quality staff by June 1, 2009. The Utah Water Quality Board will review and authorize Green Projects at its June 24, 2009 regularly scheduled meeting. To obtain detailed information on the green stimulus funding, including the application form, federal requirements, and EPA Guidance, please visit: [www.waterquality.utah.gov/stimulus](http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/stimulus).

If this website does not answer your questions, please contact Shelly Andrews or Leah Ann Lamb at (801) 538-6146.

Requirements for ARRA funding include:

- All projects must address a demonstrated water quality need
- Green projects can be sponsored by individuals, businesses, private entities and government agencies
- Projects must be under contract or construction before February 17, 2010 and meet certain other federal requirements.
- ARRA funding CANNOT be used to purchase land or easements

Examples of potential Green Projects follow. This list is not all inclusive, so do not hesitate to contact DWQ staff or submit an application for consideration if you do not see your project type listed.

- Nonpoint Source Pollution: Riparian enhancement, streambank stabilization, erosion control
- Water Efficiency: Retrofit or replacement of water using fixtures, fittings, equipment or appliances, efficient landscape or irrigation equipment
- Energy Efficiency: Energy efficient retrofits and upgrades to pumps and treatment processes
- Green Infrastructure: Hydromodification to establish or restore riparian buffers, floodplains, wetlands and other natural features.
- Environmentally Innovative: Green Infrastructure stormwater projects, wetland restoration and constructed wetlands