

# Application for DFHP FY2026 Funding

## Application Deadline: Friday February 21, 2025

## Submit to Jon Sjoberg, [jon.sjoberg@wafwa.org](mailto:jon.sjoberg@wafwa.org) , DFHP Coordinator

# Cover Sheet

# Project Information

Project Title:

Project Location: Nearest town, County, State:

Watershed/Stream/Lake:

DFHP Species Addressed([Strategic Framework](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/834bd0_c0a12a732e134713b3cdc0780b272c2d.pdf), page 26; List species as bullets with rank):

USFWS Region (1, 2, 6, 8): ([Click Here](https://www.fws.gov/about/regions) for map):

Region 1: (Idaho, Oregon, Washington)

Region 2: (Arizona, New Mexico, Texas)

Region 6: (Colorado, Utah, Wyoming)

Region 8: (California, Nevada)

DFHP Sub-Region ([Click Here](http://www.desertfhp.org/about-us) for map):

Lower Colorado River

Upper Colorado River

Rio Grande

**Basin and Range – FY2025 Focal Region**

DFHP Habitat ([Strategic Framework](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/834bd0_c0a12a732e134713b3cdc0780b272c2d.pdf), page 2):

Rivers

Streams

Springs/Spring Brooks

Cienegas

**Lead Applicant/Project Sponsor Information**

Lead Applicant Organization:

Contact Person Name:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

**Expertise of Project Sponsor –** Briefly describe the expertise of the project sponsor as it relates to the organization or individuals’ ability to complete the project (1,500 characters).

**USFWS Project Contact**

Contact Person Name:

Phone:

Email:

**State Project Contact**

Organization:

Contact Person Name:

Phone:

Email:

**Local Project Contact**

Organization:

Contact Person Name:

Phone:

Email:

**Tribal Project Contact**

Tribe/Organization:

Contact Person Name:

Phone:

Email:

#### Project Map Coordinates (Decimal Degrees)

Latitude enter text.:

Longitude: enter text.

#### Location Description:

General location description to provide geographic context for the project.

**Project Timeline**

Estimated Start Date: enter text.

Estimated End Date: enter text.

#### Conservation Rank enter text.

Use the [DFHP Multispecies Assessment Tool](https://trout.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=f82cf3ef5ae64c83ab10c39f0cce4656) to report your project’s Conservation Rank. Upload a .csv with project coordinates in the Geo Lookup Box, download table once location is mapped (a download button appears above the “Select a CSV” button), the downloaded table will include Conservation Rank

**Is there a monitoring plan following** [**Partnership guidelines**](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/834bd0_c0a12a732e134713b3cdc0780b272c2d.pdf)**? (DFHP Strategic Plan page 15)** Choose an item.

**Is this project part of a multiple phase project?**

Choose an item.

**If this is a multi-phase project, is there a breakdown of tasks, accomplishments, and budget by year in distinct phases?**

Choose an item.

**Will this project increase fish populations in a manner that leads to recreational or tribal fishing opportunities (either directly or indirectly)? Tribal fishing includes treaty-reserved and tribal harvest, as well as traditional tribal use of fish species.**

Choose an item.

**Will this project increase public access to land or water for fish and wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities? (**Activities may include any fish and wildlife-dependent opportunities such as hunting, fishing, hiking, bird watching, kayaking, etc.)

Choose an item.

**Is there a letter of support from the state/federal fish and wildlife agency, Tribal government, and/or landowner if the project is located on private land?\***

Choose an item.

\***Letters of Support: -** Project proposals must be supported by letters from state and/or federal fish and wildlife management/natural resource agencies as well as the appropriate land management agency (if on public lands) or Tribal governments within project-area jurisdictions. In addition, if project is located on private land, a landowner consent letter is needed.

**Land ownership (public, tribal, or private; if public, specify managing agency):**

## Budget Summary

\*You will need to provide a detailed budget in an attached spreadsheet. The **BudgetSummary** should match the Budget totals from the spreadsheet. Our recommendation is that you fill out the detailed budget spreadsheet first and then input the final numbers here.

**DFHP Funds Requested:** $ enter text.

**Total Project Cost:** $enter text.

**Non-Federal Match:** $ enter text.

Requested NFHP grant funds must be matched 1:1 with non-federal funds. Non-federal match can include cash and/or in-kind labor, materials, or equipment if there are no federal ties to those funds. State agency funds can be used for the non-federal match if labor and/or materials are not being matched to another federal grant. State agency funds that are being used to match other federal grants would not be eligible as match.

**Non-Federal Match Ratio:** enter text.

Non-Federal Match : DFHP Request [e.g., x : 1]

**Total cash or in-kind contributions:** $ enter text.

This is the total amount of other contributions (cash and in-kind) that will be included in your project. Include all contributions here whether or not you have secured them at the time of your application and from all sources (federal and non-federal).

**Total cash or in-kind contributions secured:** $ enter text.

This is the total amount of other contributions (cash and in-kind) that you have SECURED at the time of your application. Include all secured contributions here from all sources (federal and non-federal).

**Contributions Match Ratio: $** enter text.

All Partners Contributions : DFHP request [e.g., x : 1]

##### Project Category (select one)

On-the-ground (engineering assessment, design, construction, implementation, monitoring, etc.)

Scientific assessment

Outreach or communication

Acquisition

FHP operational support

##### Conservation Plans (Select all that apply and list the specific relevant plans below. This can include State Wildlife Action Plans, other state, federal, tribal, or local conservation, management or species recovery plans, watershed plans, etc.)

Species of Greatest Conservation Need

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act

Other federal management or recovery plan (describe below)

State Wildlife Action Plan

Tribal Restoration or Conservation Plan

Other (describe below)

None

List specific plans below:

DFHP Goals Addressed (select all that apply, [Strategic Framework](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/834bd0_c0a12a732e134713b3cdc0780b272c2d.pdf), page 10)

Protect and maintain intact healthy aquatic ecosystems supporting desert fish habitats

Prevent further degradation of desert fish habitats that have been impaired

Reverse declines in the quality and quantity of desert fish habitats to improve the overall

population status of desert fishes and other aquatic organisms

Increase the quality and quantity of fish habitats that support a broad natural diversity of desert

fishes and other native aquatic species

##### National Fish Habitat Partnership National Conservation Priorities for FY2026 (select all that apply to your project, see [here](https://www.fishhabitat.org/news/national-fish-habitat-board-announces-2025-national-conservation-priorities) for more detailed descriptions and example strategies)

Note: As used in the NCPs, the word conserve is broadly defined as protect, rehabilitate, restore, and improve.

Conserve waters and habitats where all processes and functions are operating within their expected

range or natural variation

Conserve hydrologic conditions for fish

Conserve physical and living habitats and features that support viable and sustainable species

and/or populations in impacted or at-risk systems

Reconnect fragmented fish habitats

Conserve water quality for fish

Support the structure and function of FHPs

Enhance recreational, commercial, subsistence, and traditional fishing opportunities when

conducting projects that conserve fish habitat

##### Anticipated Outcomes/Metrics (please fill out the Project Metrics Spreadsheet and include in your application package)

#### Project Narrative

## Please complete all sections for funding consideration. Please keep responses to less than or equal to the noted word or character limits.

1. **Short Description –** A brief summary of the project. This will be used in outreach and communication materials about the project (1,500 characters).
2. **Statement of Need –** A description of why the project is necessary and important (3,000 characters).
3. **Problem being Addressed –** Summary of the threats or causes of the problem being addressed by this project (1,500 characters).
4. **Project Methods and Approach** –Brief description of the activities or methods used to achieve objectives of the project. How will this project be implemented? Multi-year projects must be divided into distinct phases with measurable tasks and accomplishments by year. Please include project maps and photos (1,500 characters; maps and photos do not count toward character limit).
5. **Species Present** –List **all** species (including non-DFHP fish species and non-fish species) that will directly benefit or be affected by your project, and how. Include special status designations if applicable—e.g., ESA status, state listed, species of special concern, at-risk, etc. (no character limit).
6. **Biological or ecological benefits –** Brief description of any biological or ecological benefits of the project (1,500 characters).
7. **Expected Project Outcome –** Please summarize high level expected measurable outcomes (metrics) for the project. Use Metrics Spreadsheet as a guide to convert to paragraph or bullet list form here (1,500 characters).
8. **Project Design and Environmental Compliance** –Specify the stage of project design and when implementation is expected to occur. Identify which environmental compliance documents are needed. What is the status of completion for these documents? (no character limit).
9. **Project Monitoring/Evaluation of Success** –Brief summary of monitoring and evaluation plan. If available, include information on timeline for monitoring and/or evaluation. Has an evaluation/monitoring plan been completed? What adaptive management strategies will be used if monitoring/evaluation indicates that project objectives are not being met? (1,500 characters).
10. **Project Timeline** –Please provide an estimated timeline for the project with major milestones and achievements, including preparation and submittal of a final report with high quality digital photographs. What year(s) would DFHP funding cover? How will other years of the project be funded? What agency and person/people are responsible for actual on-the-ground work? (no character limit).
11. **Project Partnerships –** Briefly describe partners’ involvement/roles in planning, implementation, and evaluation, etc. of this project. This section is intended to be a narrative to accompany the Project Partnerships tab in the Budget Template Spreadsheet (no character limit).
12. **Outreach/Education** – Under the ACE Act, a project that receives NFHP funding must include an educational or outreach component that includes the local or regional community. Describe any outreach or education efforts associated with this project, including public workshops, tours, signs, newsletters, scientific journal articles, scientific conference presentations, or educational forums, etc. (1,500 characters).
13. **Climate Change Considerations –** Please note any information on how the project will function with climate change considerations (1,500 characters).
14. **Results Dissemination** – Provide a brief summary of how results will be disseminated, including publicly available reports, datasets, or other products (1,500 characters).
15. **Budget** **Table** – Fill out the Budget Template worksheet (there are two tabs) to indicate expenses for all categories of what DFHP requested funds and all sources of matching cash or in-kind funds will be used for while implementing the project.
16. **Budget Narrative –** Describe and justify how the totals in each category from your budget table for the DFHP request and all partner sources were determined. Provide sufficient information to show cost effectiveness (1,500 characters).
17. **Photos –** Please include higher quality photos (greater than 3mb) that have permission for use in National Fish Habitat Partnership and Desert Fish Habitat Partnership related materials, including a brief caption and photo credit. Please include at least one photo that will be used as the main photo for project-related materials. Please copy all photos into your application but send original copies as separate attachments in your application submission to the DFHP Coordinator.

## XIII. Signature of Applicant – A signature page must be received with the application (Right click on signature box to sign in Word, or sign in Adobe after converting to a pdf).

***I certify that the above information is true and accurate.***

Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Signature:



Title: Click or tap here to enter text.

Organization: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date: Click or tap to enter a date.