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2026 Matching 50/50 Grant Program

Drops of Knowledge: Funding Smart Irrigation, Education for Water Quality

Landowner Name: _____

Address: _____ Email Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Project Description: _____

Legal of where project will be located(include map): _____
Number of acres impacted: _____ Estimate of available water: _____ ac ft.
Estimated project cost: _____

Are you okay with a group of students between the ages of 12-18 coming to do measurements? Yes _____ No _____

Signature of Landowner

Date

This conservation district grant project is sponsored by the Bent Conservation District with funds from the Colorado Department of Agriculture through the Colorado State Conservation Board and is designed to assist producers with funding small irrigation projects. There will also be an education piece where a group of students will learn the basics of irrigating and why conservation matters.

Grant Agreement Terms:

Applicants must be in good standing with both the FSA and NRCS. This project is not receiving any additional funding through FSA, NRCS or other government grants. All projects will be completed to NRCS standards and specifications. By signing this application, you certify that this project is specifically for agricultural use.

Matching Funds and Amounts:

The maximum funding amount for each grant is contingent upon the number of participants meeting the criteria to participate. Grants require matching funds amounting to 50% of the grant total. No activity will begin on projects until project approval from Bent Conservation District and signed contracts are received.

Judging Criteria:

The Water Conservation Infrastructure Improvement Matching Grant Project is non-competitive in nature. Applications will be looked over to ensure the need and with applications due January 29, 2026, with projects beginning once applications are approved and should be concluded by October 31, 2026.

Applicant Responsibility:

The Bent Conservation District must receive before, during, and after photos of the project. Copies of paid receipts for purchased materials must be submitted to the Bent Conservation District by November 6, 2026. Permission to purchase materials other than those specified in the application and bids must be requested from the Bent Conservation District. Grant funds may be revoked if the applicants do not meet their responsibilities or requirements of this program.