**DEQ Division of Water Resources Development Grant Program
Spring 2023 EQIP Grant Awards**

**RALEIGH** - North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality’s Water Resources Development Grant Program awarded nine NRCS Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) stream restoration project grant awards in the spring of 2023. Awardees included:

1. **Yancey Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $161,700 for the Bald Creek - Jones & Edwards stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 1,000 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 0.9 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
2. **Ashe County and the Resource Institute received $339,000 for the Big Laurel Creek -Barker stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 2,500 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 2.5 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
3. **Buncombe Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $808,000 for the Cane Creek-Strother, Russell, Zitiello, Pew, Brown, & Meredith stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 6,100 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 8.8 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
4. **Transylvania Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $198,360 for the East Fork French Broad at Whitmire & Ganner stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 1,080 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 1.9 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
5. **Alleghany Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $407,100 for the Glade Creek at Squires stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 3,290 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 2.1 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
6. **Surry Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $218,616 Hodges Creek Cail & Shelton stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 1,400 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 0.75 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
7. **Macon Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute received $225,680 Middle Creek at Filides and Middle Creek Ridge LLC stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 1,040 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 1.7 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
8. **Transylvania Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute Peter Weaver Creek (Morgan Mill Creek) at Allison stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 2,700 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 2.3 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.
9. **Macon Soil & Water Conservation District and the Resource Institute receives $250,470 from the Watauga Creek at Gillespie stream restoration project.** This grant will provide financial assistance to the Resource Institute to restore approximately 1125 linear feet of degraded stream and plant 0.75 acres of riparian buffer vegetation.