

District Innovation Growth (DIG) Program

FY26 Application

Responses must be limited to the space provided; attachments of additional items must be limited to letter(s) of support, quotes for expected expenses and/or images of expected deliverables/items. All areas of the application must be completed; incomplete applications will be ineligible for consideration. Application and all accompanying documents must be submitted as one single PDF document sent from the district e-mail to your Area District Coordinator by 4:30 pm on October 1, 2025.

Project Title:

Project Timeline - Start Date:

End Date:

Conservation District:

Contact Name:

Title:

District Email:

District Phone:

Is this a continuation of a
previously funded DIG
project?

Yes

No

Partnering Agency(ies) or Entity(ies):

Letter(s) of Support Included:

Yes

No

I certify that this application has been reviewed and approved by the district board of directors during a board meeting held on:

Chair's Signature **no electronic signatures**

Date Signed

Submission of a DIG Program application does not guarantee funding. District understands that if funded, expenditures of funds must be consistent with project description and purpose. If project is not undertaken, not completed, or if funding exceeds the actual cost of the project, District must notify OCC in writing as soon as possible; funds will be de-obligated and added back to the program. District acknowledges responsibility for repayment of any awarded funds used for purposes outside the project scope and purpose.

Project Description: Give a detailed explanation of what the District's innovative project will entail, including the implementation process and objectives. Include who is responsible for each aspect of the project - staff, district directors, partner(s), etc. - and anticipated man-hours for each.

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Itemized Budget: Provide a list of all items to be purchased, a timeframe for those purchases, and the costs associated with each item to be purchased. Quote(s) may be attached for additional information. If expenditures not associated with tangible items are expected, provide a description for those expenditures, timeframe for the expenditure, and estimated cost.

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Project Objective and Purpose: Describe what the project will accomplish, the desired outcome, and who will be impacted.

Benefit to Conservation: Explain the project's importance to conservation and stewardship efforts.

Justification: Explain how this project will expand the district's current operations, services, and/or programs.

Sustainability: Outline how the project will serve the district beyond initial implementation, and list any additional costs to sustain the project long-term.