

Attachment Checklist

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) 2024 Environmental Protection Fund Grant Program for Parks, Preservation and Heritage (EPF)

Attachments listed below in boldface are required of every application as indicated. Depending upon the particular circumstances of your project, **other attachments may be required.** Still **other attachments, while not required, may be essential to support rating points.** All documents should be **current to this grant cycle.** See below for additional guidance (also view forms and resources at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx>). Applications lacking these attachments (or an acceptable explanation) are considered incomplete, and may cause the application to be deemed ineligible, or adversely affect the rating points assigned.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

For All Applicants, the first 4 documents are required:

State Environmental Quality Review Act Compliance (SEQR)

NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS: Complete the “Environmental Review Form” available online at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx>. Also include with your application clear drawings, maps, or plans of existing and proposed natural and man-made conditions on the site and the areas immediately adjacent to the site.

MUNICIPALITIES: The municipality will be responsible for providing a completed SEQR review. The municipality will be the SEQR lead agency if OPRHP is the only other agency involved or will be responsible for initiating lead agency designation procedures if there are other involved agencies (e.g., the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) via a required permit). The lead agency is required to classify projects under SEQR, and make a determination of significance as follows:

- Consult SEQR regulations to determine if your project is classified Type II, Unlisted or Type I.
 - If your project is classified Type II, it is not subject to SEQR. If this is the case, provide a statement as to the classification of your project and the reason. If any permits are required, list them in your statement.
 - If the project is Unlisted, submit a completed Short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) (Parts I-III).
 - If the project is Type I, submit a completed Full Environmental Assessment Form and either a negative declaration or a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and SEQR Findings.
- If the project's impacts have been previously reviewed under SEQR, supporting documentation must be submitted (e.g., FEIS and SEQR Findings Statement).

Photos:

Provide images (scanned photographs or born-digital; photocopies are not acceptable substitutes) showing the overall project area and documenting existing conditions. Include photos of any structures more than 50 years old within, or immediately adjacent to, the project area. Provide views to these features from the project site, as well as views of the project site from them. Photographs must reflect current conditions. Images that are freely available on the internet may not show current, actual conditions. Key all images to a schematic site plan (see below).

For an optimal review of the project, photography tips and guidance can be found here <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx>

Schematic Site Plan:

Provide a document that connects the narrative, photos, budget, and for a historic property the work detail, together pictorially.

For parks, the site plan should identify the boundary of the park that is the subject of the application and show how it relates to the surrounding areas (properties adjoining the site, roadways, water bodies, public access), what facilities are currently existing on the proposed site (arrows or legend to indicate type - baseball fields, playgrounds, pavilions, parking areas, public access to the site, links to surrounding areas via trails, etc. and location of those facilities within the park), and what facilities are being proposed (type and location). The plan should be linked to photos showing the subject area and surrounding areas, the narrative describing the work being contemplated, and the budget showing estimated costs.

With historic properties, two dimensional plans or elevations which identify the areas of the structure or site with the conditions as they currently exist that are the subject of the application (i.e., arrows to mortar joints, cracks, bricks); these would have a legend or some other way to link back to photos which show the areas of concern, the narrative and work detail which describe both existing conditions and the proposed work to correct issues, and the budget showing the estimated costs to accomplish the work.

Map:

Submit a 1:24,000 scale USGS or DOT planimetric map with the subject property circled. An 8½" x 11" section, copy, or printout is acceptable, so long as it shows at least 1:24,000 scale and is clearly marked as to scale and source, including Quad Name and/or Code. We recommend using the online, layered "Grants Map for CFA," accessed via <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx> and the instruction document, "Using the Grants Map for CFA." Another source for downloadable, printable maps is the NYS GIS Clearinghouse <http://gis.ny.gov/gisdata/quads/>. In addition, you may submit any other site map that is available which will help to locate the specific project site.

For Not-for-Profit Applicants applying for a project under the Parks Program:

Except for projects on State lands, a resolution of municipal endorsement, passed by the governing body of the municipality in which the project is located, which stipulates the approval/endorsement of the application. For projects in New York City, approval/endorsement by the Community Board(s) in which the project is located AND a letter of support from the Borough President(s) where the project is located may be submitted as an alternative to the municipal endorsement. For projects involving multiple municipalities, the endorsement is required from the municipality with planning jurisdiction (e.g., the county) and all municipalities encompassing affected property. See a sample of an acceptable resolution of “Municipal Endorsement” at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx>.

For Historic Preservation Applicants:

Documentation of National or State Registers of Historic Places listing or scheduled nomination review.

For Heritage Area Applicants:

Written approval/endorsement of the project by the local heritage area management entity, if it is not the project sponsor, is required with the application. The letter should reference the appropriate Heritage Area management plan and relevant Heritage Area resources and goals. For information about active Heritage Areas with approved management plans, including exact heritage areas boundaries and Heritage Area Contacts, go to <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/heritage-areas/default.aspx>.

For Applicants proposing to undertake work in a State Park or Historic Site:

Letter(s) of support from the **Regional Director AND Capital Facilities Manager**. One letter of support may be provided with both signatures.

For Applications including Acquisition (purchase, donation, or transfer from another use):

- **Evidence of the owner’s intent** to sell, donate or transfer the property to the applicant.
- **A written appraisal valuation** (desktop appraisal or exterior only appraisal) by a qualified appraiser for all property that will be acquired or used as match as part of the proposal.

For Applications where Parkland is being Alienated:

If the project is located in a public park facility, all or part of which is being sold, leased, exchanged, donated, disposed of or used for other than public park purposes, a copy of the **proposed or enacted legislation authorizing the alienation**.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

- Evidence of local historic preservation or landmark designation
- Clearly marked excerpts from federal, statewide, regional, or local planning documents in support of the project narrative.
- Written documentation clearly identifying community need and involvement; if the local plan which identifies the need for the project is 5 years or older, provide evidence that the plan reflects current need (i.e., copy of the resolution adopting or reaffirming the local plan)
- Documentation of community support (may include an official resolution by the governing body of the applicant, approving and/or endorsing the project and affirming public and community support for it, evidence of public participation, public outreach plan, press releases/announcements, public meetings, events, fundraising campaign plans).
- Documentation from State agencies regarding remediated brownfields, protected species, habitats, etc.
- Documentation of pre-construction planning, procurement of services, consultant qualifications, etc.
- Ground disturbance documentation
- For stand-alone planning projects, to justify the proposed consultant costs, two estimates are required. For planning budgets involving just the preparation of plans and specifications, provide at least two professional estimates for the preparation of these documents or provide two professional estimates of the proposed construction costs or submitted construction bids and identify the percentage of the professional fee to prepare plans and specifications. For other planning projects (condition studies, Historic Structures Report, Cultural Landscape Report, feasibility study, etc.), submit two estimates and documentation of consultants' qualifications and/or licenses (for historic preservation professionals, see "Historic Preservation Terms and Professional Qualifications" available at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/consolidated-funding-app.aspx>).
- All official project endorsements, partnerships, and letters of support

ATTACHMENTS TO SUPPORT APPLICATION:

As outlined above, your application requires you to upload supporting documents. Before you begin to prepare the supporting documents, go to the Documents tab within the Consolidated Funding Application to review size limits and acceptable file formats, including how to combine multiple files into a single file. *It is also advisable to use short naming conventions when labeling each file; longer named attachments may prevent the file from being opened.*

You may proceed with your application without uploading these documents. However, since supporting documents are required, you must return to the Documents section and upload the required documents before you can finalize and submit your online application.

For assistance scanning your documents, please contact the Regional Grants Administrator for your County at <https://parks.ny.gov/grants/contact.aspx>.