

Application: RFR ENV 26 MVP 01

Note: All questions in the table are individual questions in the [online form](#). They are listed here for reference and so that applicants may prepare their responses prior to filling out the online form.

Basic Details

Lead applicant:	<i>Montague</i>
Is lead applicant a city, town, eligible tribe or other eligible entity?	<i>Town</i>
Supporting municipalities:	NA
Project title:	The Hill Neighborhood Green Infrastructure Master Planning
Shorthand project title:	<i>Hill Neighborhood</i>
MVP region :	Greater Connecticut River Valley
Project type:	Select 1 (best fit): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Type 1: Planning, Assessments, Capacity Building, and Regulatory Updates <input type="checkbox"/> Type 2: Design and Permitting <input type="checkbox"/> Type 3: Construction and On-the-Ground Implementation
Population size of lead applicant (if municipality)	<i>8,580</i>
Does your community have a mapped Environmental Justice Population ?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Legal address of applicant:	<i>1 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA 01376</i>
Application Author – Please provide the name(s), title(s), and organization(s) of those who worked on writing this application.	
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Title(s):	Senior Resilience Scientist

Organization(s):	<i>Fuss & O'Neill</i>
Local Project Manager and Point of Contact	
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Proposed Funding Summary	
<i>Please round to the nearest whole number & please ensure these numbers match your scope/budget spreadsheet (Attachment B).</i>	
Grant request amount FY26:	\$541,250
Grant request amount FY27 (not required):	NA
Total grant request amount:	\$541,250
Match amount:	0
Match description:	NA
Project Details	
Project summary:	<p>“The Hill” neighborhood of Turners Falls houses a significant portion of the Town’s residents and is increasingly threatened by erosion and road washouts due to changes in precipitation patterns brought on by climate change, and flooding and sedimentation impacts also reach beyond the neighborhood, threatening roads and properties below the hill, as well as the Connecticut River itself. Montague City Road, which is a major throughfare in Turners Falls, had to be closed 12 times in one year in recent history, and the Town also suffered a disastrous washout a few years ago which affected traffic and properties in the Hill neighborhood. As climate impacts continue to bring volatile, large storm events, the Town wants to take a proactive approach to preventing future flooding and erosion impacts by addressing dangerous stormwater runoff before it is funneled into the Town’s underground drainage network and out onto the deep, sandy slopes that surround the neighborhood and are increasingly subject to erosion from high volume discharges. This project would take a first look at neighborhood-wide improvements, focusing on capturing and infiltrating stormwater near its source using dispersed green infrastructure in the Town’s right-of-ways, and also begin the process of gathering data on particular problem outfalls – using a two-pronged approach to 1) shore up areas where</p>

	the threat of slope failure during a large storm event is high, while 2) also tackling the root cause of the problem.
Representative image of the project (if possible):	<i>IN FOLDER</i>
Is this project a continuation of a previous MVP- funded project?	<i>NO</i>
Project location(s):	<i>Hill Neighborhood, centered at: 42.598888, -72.556072</i>
Is the proposal a greening (i.e. reforestation, revegetation) or nature-based project?	<i>YES</i>
If the proposal is a greening or nature-based project, can it a) potentially lower heat island impacts, b) increase urban carbon storage, or c) both?	<i>C</i>
Other Funding Details	
Please list other major sources of funding identified or applied to for this project, if applicable.	<i>FY25 Funding was requested for a similar project scope</i>
Was this funding awarded?	<i>No</i>
If funding was awarded, how much? If funding was not awarded, please provide 1-2 brief sentences as to why (if known).	<i>NA</i>