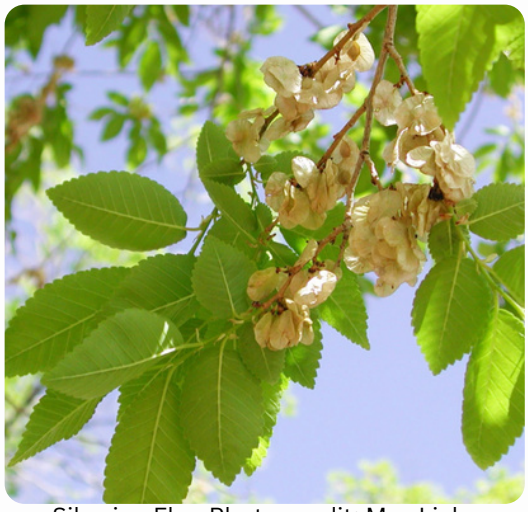
ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY & FIRE MANAGEMENT

# 2026 INVASIVE PLANT GRANT

The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management Invasive Plant Program supports cooperative management of invasive plants that threaten and are capable of transforming native plant communities in forests, woodlands, and rangeland throughout Arizona.

This grant program focuses on prevention, control, and eradication of nonnative invasive plants and aims to achieve the following objectives:

1. Assist in preventing fire and flooding, conserving water, and restoring habitat for wildlife
2. Use an integrated weed management approach through the utilization of available tools including manual, cultural, mechanical, chemical, and biological control methods, along with revegetation of native plant species.



Siberian Elm. Photo credit: Max Licher, swbiodiversity.org/seinet.

The application period opens March 4, 2026. Applications are due by **April 15, 2026**.
**Eligible Applicants**: State agencies, cities, towns, counties, Indian tribes, and nonprofit organizations.
**Project Duration**: 1-3 years
**Grant Funding Range**: $75,000 to $200,000. Grants are reimbursement based and a minimum 10% match is required.

Join us for a webinar and open Q & A session on Wednesday, **February 18** from **10-11AM** to learn more about the application process for the Invasive Plant Grant.

***To register,* please *RSVP at invasiveplants@dffm.az.gov***

**Please visit https://dffm.az.gov/grants/forest-health/ipg for more information.**

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **How do I submit an application?**
Applications must be submitted online through the eCivis portal.

2. **Do I need to include letters of support with my application?**
Letters of support are not required, but may help your application.

3. **What is the allowable administration rate?**
Grant funding is required for specific project implementation and not general organizational support or administrative costs. The expectation is that less than 10% of grant funding will be utilized for general overhead expenses such as administrative labor, accounting, etc.

4. **Can I be reimbursed for indirect costs?**
For indirect costs, an indirect cost rate plan must already be established by the organization or be permitted under 2 CFR 200 and approved by DFFM before allowance of these expenses. Reimbursement of indirect costs greater than 15% are not allowed.

5. **Can I receive funding for a project that has already been funded?**
Yes, you can receive funding to apply for re-treatment as necessary.

6. **Will the grant funds be given out at the beginning of the grant cycle?**
No, funds are reimbursement based and money will be given out after turning in a fully documented report with supporting paperwork. Match greater than or equal to the costs incurred must be shown before a reimbursement is made.

7. **What is the value of volunteer labor?**
Volunteer time may be valued at the local market rate for equivalent work. Hourly rates exceeding $30/hour will require specific support documentation for justification and approval.

8. **When will I know if my grant was accepted? What is the next step?**
Applicants will receive a confirmation email that their application was submitted. After grant proposals are reviewed, applicants will be notified if their grant requests have been funded. The contract will be emailed to the grant recipients for approval/execution. *Billable, funded work on your project cannot begin until you receive a copy of the final executed grant agreement.*

Major funding for this project is provided by the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management's Invasive Plant Program and USDA Forest Service. These institutions are equal opportunity providers.