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**Cuyahoga County Leverages State Grant To Get Additional \$1 Million From U.S. EPA**  
*More than \$2.2 Million Total Will Fund Stream, Lake Improvement Projects*

Ohio EPA has announced grants to help improve water quality in Cuyahoga County’s rivers and lakes. The grants come from the Surface Water Improvement Fund (SWIF) as well as funding Ohio EPA received from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

The SWIF was created in 2008 to offer funding to local governments, park districts, conservation organizations and others to implement stream restoration, storm water demonstration and other water quality programs.

<b>Grant amounts, recipients, and their projects include:</b>		
<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Brecksville	Glen Forest trail stream channel restoration	\$181,000
Broadview Heights	Elsa Drive wetland restoration and protection	\$219,727
Seven Hills	Project R.A.I.N. at city hall	\$265,530
Nature Center at Shaker Lakes	Restoring a wetland with native species	\$78,664
Gates Mills	Gates Mills stormwater retrofit demonstration	\$87,525
Mayfield Heights	Mayfield Heights green infrastructure demonstration	\$231,900
North Olmstead	City hall parking lot stormwater best management practices	\$196,028
Cleveland Heights	Cumberland Park parking lot improvements	\$238,726
Glenwillow	Glenwillow green infrastructure demonstration	\$63,050
Hunting Valley	Green stabilization of riparian area in Chagrin	\$137,500
Cuyahoga County Soil and Water Conservation District	Baldwin Creek dam removal and habitat enhancement	\$147,270
Cleveland	Cleveland Water Pollution Control stormwater management improvements	\$260,158
ParkWorks	Cleveland’s lake link greenway bioswale	\$161,659

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Project summaries and local contacts are available at [http://www.epa.ohio.gov/portals/35/nps/swif\\_docs/2010\\_GLRI\\_SWIF\\_Project\\_Summaries\\_Compiled.pdf](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/portals/35/nps/swif_docs/2010_GLRI_SWIF_Project_Summaries_Compiled.pdf).

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