## Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program – 2015 Request for Proposals Announced November 5, 2015

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), USDA Forest Service (USFS), the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), FedEx, Southern Company, Bank of America and PG&E are pleased to solicit applications for the 2015 Five Star/Urban Waters Restoration Program which is managed by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF). The grant program is offered in conjunction with the Urban Waters Federal Partnership which gives priority to projects located in underserved, environmentally overburdened communities.

The Five Star & Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program seeks to develop community capacity to sustain local natural resources for future generations by providing modest financial assistance to diverse local partnerships. NFWF anticipates that approximately \$2,000,000 in combined total funding will be available for projects such: wetlands creation and restoration; green infrastructure and stormwater management; citizen's science and volunteer water monitoring; projects that reduce or eliminate trash from entering waterways; coastal habitat, riparian, urban forest restoration and other water quality protection and restoration projects in local communities.

NFWF will host a webinar for potential applicants on November 18, 2014. This RFP closes February 2, 2015. For more information go towww.nfwf.org/fivestar.