

Grant Awards Summary by Category

Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund - 2008 - Session 1

Grants Awarded on May 8, 2008

Category 1 Fisheries & Wildlife & Habitat Conservation

081-01-07	DOC	Identifying Wetlands of Statewide Significance for the In Lieu Fee Program	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$32,282</i>	Statewide
<i>Agency</i>		Create a readily accessible database of ecologically significant wetland sites for use in the In Lieu Fee program		
081-01-08	DOC	Sounding The Alarm: Preventing The Spread of Invasive Species Through Public Awareness	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$19,890</i>	Statewide
<i>Agency</i>		Provide needed public outreach and coverage of invasives with relevant groups at high visibility public events.		
081-01-09	DOC	Innovative Approaches for Small Stream Crossings in Maine-Forestry Bridge Loaner and Educational Program	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$20,000</i>	Southern Maine
<i>Agency</i>		Develop a three pronged educational and outreach effort for small stream crossing restoration that will benefit fisheries habitat and stream integrity		
081-01-10	DOC	Researching, Documenting and Enacting Special Areas Management: A Training Series for Forest Product Harvesters	Amt Funded: \$5,550 <i>Amt Requested: \$5,550</i>	Statewide
<i>PT</i>		The Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands will develop and carry out a series of trainings on identifying, using and documenting the implementation of resources for special areas, wildlife habitat and biodiversity management among Maine's Master Logger certified companies.		
081-01-13	DOC	Northern Maine & Can-Am Crown 250 Promotional Project	Amt Funded: \$7,443 <i>Amt Requested: \$12,000</i>	Fort Kent Region
<i>PT</i>		Provide a significant increase in event exposure for both the Can-Am 250 race and the region, leading to increased participation by sled teams and spectators by developing a 52 minute documentary video, television ads, trade show materials, handouts and streaming video content for the Internet marketing from select websites.		
081-01-15	DEP	Protecting Maine's Coastal Waters from Nitrogen Pollution	Amt Funded: \$25,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$25,000</i>	Casco Bay
<i>PT</i>		Reduce the amount of nitrogen flowing into Maine's coastal waters, by helping DEP to develop nitrogen criteria for Casco Bay and beyond.		
081-01-18	IFW	Upper St. John Valley Community Forest Project, Year 2, 2008	Amt Funded: \$10,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$23,000</i>	Upper St. John Valley
<i>PT</i>		This project will seek to increase knowledge of local forest resources, provide information (opportunities) and guidance for sustainable forest management, and expand opportunities for sustainable forest uses including outdoor recreation and sustainable forest-based business.		
081-01-19	IFW	Conservation Assessment and Bioinventory of Maine's Cave Biota (with an Emphasis on Invertebrates)	Amt Funded: \$19,500 <i>Amt Requested: \$19,500</i>	Statewide
<i>PT</i>		This project will survey species of arthropods and mollusks at caves throughout the state, assess their rarity and suggest conservation measures for resource managers, illustrate and publish new finds to other scientists, and build a website to inform the public about cave ecosystems and their value. In addition, while surveying the caves for invertebrates, a bat census will be conducted to determine the number and types of bats present, and determine if "white nose fungus" is present in any populations.		

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081-01-20	IFW	Re-establishing fish passage on Jam Black Brook	Amt Funded: \$10,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$12,000</i>	Searsmont
Agency		Reconnect this fragmented habitat and create an educational video and program to inform local road managers on correctly installing culverts and small bridges to economically address fish passage and transportation needs		
081-01-21	IFW	Assessing Deer Wintering Area Spatial Dynamics in Maine's Working Forest	Amt Funded: \$30,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$37,450</i>	Statewide
Agency		Determine spatial dynamics (stand and landscape level habitat selection) of wintering deer in relation to forest composition and winter severity. Characterize seasonal movements across the landscape and spatial distribution of deer onto summer range.		
081-01-22	IFW	A Large-Scale Assessment of Wild Brook Trout(Salvelinus fontinalis) Populations and Habitat in Maine	Amt Funded: \$21,400 <i>Amt Requested: \$21,400</i>	Statewide
Agency		This project consists of conducting fishery, macroinvertebrate, geomorphic, habitat and stream bank stability surveys at approximately 3000 sites within 400 12 digit-HUC watersheds in Maine over two years, focusing on agricultural and commercial forest lands that currently lack baseline assessment.		

Total Amount Funded for Category: 1 \$173,893

Category 2 Acquisition & Mgmt of Public Lands, Parks, Wildlife Conservation Areas & Public Access

081-02-02	DOC	Management Guidelines for Maine's Most Unique Natural Areas on Public Lands	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$23,450</i>	Statewide
<i>Agency</i>		Work proactively with state and federal land managers to develop management recommendations for rare and exemplary natural communities occurring on public lands.		
081-02-03	DOC	Androscoggin Riverlands State Park Development	Amt Funded: \$29,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$29,000</i>	Turner & Leeds
<i>Agency</i>		Support the development of a new state park on 2,588 acres of state-owned land along the Androscoggin River: secure facilitation services for public and stakeholder meetings: prepare a natural resources inventory for the entire property: and secure landscape architecture/planning services for preparation of conceptual park designs.		
081-02-07	DOC	Ferry Beach State Park Nature Center	Amt Funded: \$25,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$50,000</i>	City of Saco
<i>Agency</i>		Expand nature education opportunities for park visitors by designing and constructing the Ferry Beach State Park Nature Center.		
081-02-08	DOC	Amherst Mountain Project	Amt Funded: \$20,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$25,000</i>	Amherst
<i>Agency</i>		Purchase 5,000 acres to protect containing remote ponds, stunning granite ridges, important woodlands and fish and wildlife habitats, vital water quality research areas, and a history of back country public recreational use, all within just a short drive from Bangor or Ellsworth.		
081-02-10	MCC	Caretaker and Ridgerunner Education Program	Amt Funded: \$10,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$10,000</i>	Statewide
<i>PT</i>		The project will develop human stewardship and provide a management presence on heavily traveled sections of the AT in Maine to lessen environmental impact.		
081-02-11	MCC	Bald Mountain Trail Rehabilitation and Habitat Protection Project	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$25,000</i>	Camden
<i>PT</i>		Rehabilitate, reconstruct and reroute sections of the Bald Mountain trail in Camden, Maine in order to reduce trail erosion problems and protect ecological sensitive habitats of statewide significance.		
081-02-13	LMF	Linking Land Conservation and Economic Development: Making Information on Maine's Natural Lands More Accessible	Amt Funded: \$26,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$26,000</i>	Washington Cty
<i>PT</i>		To integrate state and local tourism marketing efforts with land conservation management and promotional efforts in Washington County as a pilot effort for statewide replication.		
081-02-15	IFW	Sportsmen's Clubs' Conference	Amt Funded: \$3,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$3,000</i>	Augusta
<i>PT</i>		A day-long conference of fish and game, snowmobile, ATV and other clubs' leaders about issues of prime importance to the success of these clubs, including membership recruitment and retention, developing club leaders, fundraising, programming, facilities management, conservation projects, landowner relations programs, and other specific topics such as insurance and firing ranges.		
081-02-16	IFW	Mount Agamenticus Resource Management for Recreation, Outreach, Wildlife and Water	Amt Funded: \$9,990 <i>Amt Requested: \$9,900</i>	Mount Agamenticus
<i>PT</i>		Protect the natural resources of the Mount Agamenticus area by managing recreational impacts, educating the public and taking preventative measures with access improvements by contributing to the salary of the Mount Agamenticus Conservation Coordinator.		

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081-02-17	IFW	Additions to Wildlife Management Areas	Amt Funded: \$20,907 <i>Amt Requested: \$70,000</i>	Statewide
<i>Agency</i>		Assist with acquisition of parcels of land for protection and conservation of identified wildlife habitat.		

Total Amount Funded for Category: 2 \$173,897

Category 3 Endangered & Threatened Species Conservation Projects

081-03-01	DMR	Interactive Ecology of Atlantic Salmon and Exotic Smallmouth Bass in Maine Rivers	Amt Funded: \$8,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$11,040</i>	Statewide
<i>PT</i>		Assess the overall threat posed by small mouth bass to Atlantic Salmon in terms of changes in habitat, quality, and production potential of nursery streams.		

081-03-02	DOC	Protecting the Last of Least: Strategies for Conserving Maine's Imperiled and Critically Imperiled Natural Communities	Amt Funded: \$15,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$15,933</i>	Statewide
<i>Agency</i>		Assessing the status of Maine's Imperiled and Critically Imperiled Natural Communities and developing strategies for their protection.		

081-03-03	IFW/DOC	An Ecological Inventory of the Central and Western Mountains	Amt Funded: \$25,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$50,000</i>	Central Mountains
<i>Agency</i>		Natural Resource inventory efforts in the three ecoregions across the central and western portion of Maine. Co-sponsored project with DOC.		

081-03-05	IFW	Geographic Structure and Landscape Connectivity of New England Cottontail Populations in Maine	Amt Funded: \$21,684 <i>Amt Requested: \$25,098</i>	Southern Maine
<i>PT</i>		Identify landscape features that facilitate or impede dispersal of New England cottontail on a regional scale in Maine. Determine regional population structure, dispersal and connectivity of New England cottontails in Maine.		

081-03-06	DMR	Comparisons in Physiological and Behavioral Response of Atlantic Salmon Reared in Episodically Acidified and pH	Amt Funded: \$8,000 <i>Amt Requested: \$11,000</i>	Columbia Falls
<i>PT</i>		Further our understanding of Maine river chemistry, pH mitigation and impacts on Atlantic salmon development. Identify potential mitigation strategies suited to episodically acidic river conditions in eastern Maine.		

Total Amount Funded for Category: 3 \$77,684

Category 4 Natural Resources Law Enforcement and Protection of Public Health

081-04-01 IFW Recreational Access and Landowner Relations Educational Outreach Amt Funded: \$10,000 Statewide
Amt Requested: \$12,000

Agency
Creation of a website explaining landowner relations and a question & answer section for users to get information in a easy to read format.

081-04-02 DOC Monitoring State-Held Working Forest Conservation Easements Amt Funded: \$25,000 Statewide
Amt Requested: \$30,000

Agency
This project will enable the Bureau of Parks and Lands to acquire the technical capacity to monitor its working forest conservation easements; and to apply that capacity to 7 easements with a total of 55,450 acres by the end of 2009.

081-04-03 IFW Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery Retaining Pond/Goose Management Project/Foliage Berm Amt Funded: \$5,000 Caribou
Amt Requested: \$10,000

PT
Our goal is to construct a foliage berm around a watershed retaining pond in order to discourage Canadian geese from making the Maine Veterans Cemetery-Caribou a permanent home

081-04-04 IFW Project Night Hawk Amt Funded: \$24,000 Statewide
Amt Requested: \$48,940

Agency
Provide the warden service with an aircraft that can allow night time operation from lighted, and instrument approach equipped airports.

081-04-05 IFW Wildlife Chemical Immobilization Training Amt Funded: \$10,500 Statewide
Amt Requested: \$13,883

Agency
Provide chemical immobilization training to approximately 30 field wildlife technicians and biologists.

Total Amount Funded for Category: 4 \$74,500

Total All Categories: \$499,974 # of Grants Awarded: 31