



Land Stewardship Grant Eligible Activities List

The Land Stewardship Grant is intended to provide funding for day-to-day conservation property management activities only, as defined below. It cannot be used as an endowment.

1. Operations

Those land management activities on eligible properties that involve the management and administration of lands and waters including:

- Mapping and boundary delineation
- Management planning, specifically high-priority management plans, resource conservation plans, enhancement or restoration plans
- Undertaking resource inventory and analysis
- Managing human activities on the lands – management activities associated with community education regarding the purpose of the lands and the value of the natural assets¹
- Providing operational oversight of the maintenance activities taking place on the lands, including management of volunteers undertaking maintenance activities

2. Maintenance

Those activities on eligible properties that involve maintaining, repairing, restoring and controlling of land, including:

- Restoring and maintaining site-specific² natural habitats such as planting eroded slopes and riparian zones
- Propagation of native plants for the purposes of planting on the property to restore habitat
- Repairing and maintaining built assets (e.g., fences, simple shelters, dams, culverts) if they provide a demonstrable conservation benefit
- Building new assets required for conservation (e.g., exclusion zones, information shelters, new fencing)
- Removing invasive species

¹ This could include interpretive signage and small kiosks but does not include interpretive programming (e.g. educational programs, festivals, educational talks).

² This fund is not intended to fund large enhancement and restoration projects on a landscape scale. HCTF's [Enhancement and Restoration Grant](#) may be a suitable source of funding for larger projects.



Ineligible Activities or Expenses

Ineligible activities include (but are not limited to):

- Conservation covenant monitoring
- Legal fees
- Insurance costs
- Strategic/higher level land use planning or ecosystem planning
- Residential tenancy agreements/rentals
- General festivals/tours/events that do not directly pertain to O&M of the properties
- General patrols
- General lease administration (e.g., right-of-way's, lease modifications, tax exemptions)
- Organizational fundraising
- Cultural, heritage, historical or architectural operations and maintenance activities
- Non-applied research (research not directly related to a management purpose)
- Training costs for contractors
- Enforcement activities
- Fish rearing, farming, stocking or hatcheries projects
- Rehabilitation, captive breeding, feeding or control of wildlife species
- Salmon only or marine projects that do not benefit freshwater species or habitats
- Guides for fishing and hunting, tours, or school curriculum
- Information projects on regulations or stocking
- Conferences, lecture series, or conventions
- Production or sponsorship of commercial programs
- Interpretive services
- Creation or management of electronic databases, websites or file systems
- Propagation of native plants for sale (commercial purposes)

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