Landscape Partnership Grant Information Session Q & A

January 26 & 30, 2023

Is land under Chapter 61 eligible for the grant?

Yes, as it is not permanently protected.

How much funding do you have available?

We do not yet have our FY24 budget, so don't know. There is funding available for FY23, but that exact figure is not available.

How many points are required for an application to qualify for funding?

There isn't a set number of points an application needs to get to receive funding. We rate and rank each application received and fund projects starting with the top ranked application until all funding is committed.

What is the Community Compact?

More information on the Community Compact can be found \underline{here} and signed compacts can be found \underline{here} .

Is there specific language that is needed to be included in the Conservation Restriction?

Yes, the grant program should be referenced appropriately. That language is provided in the DCS CR template available here.

Is there a set amount of funding that each partner must contribute to the project's budget? No, there isn't a set amount.

If you would like to close on your project in FY24, should you apply this year?

Yes, it is highly recommended that you apply in this grant round for a project that will close in FY24.

Are there specific ways that the impact of roads are evaluated when evaluating if a road presents a barrier between parcels of land?

Roads will be reviewed in context of their size, the volume of vehicle traffic and their impact on wildlife and other conservation values. They will be evaluated at the site visit to determine their impact.

Could a project be awarded that has project components closing in FY23, 24, and 25?

Most projects would be completed in two fiscal years, but the bid doesn't preclude a three-year contract.

To clarify, a final appraisal for parcels proposed for acquisition in FY24 don't need to be submitted with the application?

Correct. Please review page 7 of the grant's BID document for the appraisal requirements and deadlines.

Would a project with five non-profit partners be eligible or would we still be required to meet the requirement that we have partners from two different categories of eligible partner?

You must have partners from a minimum of two different eligibility categories that are playing a meaningful role in the project for the project to be eligible.

Can a grantee that has received an FY23 grant contract under a prior grant round apply in this round? Yes. There is no restriction on applying again.

How should we document the impact of roads on the land and/or need to conserve specific parcels for climate resiliency reasons?

Maps and climate resiliency data from The Nature Conservancy will be helpful. You're encouraged to include any project-specific data that you have access to that we may not be aware of, such as wildlife camera photos and anecdotal evidence you would like to provide.

What is the timeframe for the announcements?

We will do our best to make sure that we can make announcements as quickly as possible, especially for projects that would like to close in FY23.