

Landscape Partnership Grant
Information Session Q & A
February 26 & 28, 2024

How much funding do you have available for the Landscape Partnership grant program?

We do not yet have our FY25 budget, so don't know.

Can match that is secured in FY25 from a donated piece of land be used in FY26 or does it have to be used in the same year?

It must be used in the same year.

The closing on one of the proposed match parcels is in March 2024. Can that parcel be used as match in FY25 or 26 since it will close in FY24, an earlier fiscal year than the grant contract will be signed?

No. The match parcel must close in the same fiscal year you're seeking funding in.

The partners to a project are a state agency and two land trusts. If the municipality isn't a partner, would that hurt our project rating?

The application will not receive the 5 points awarded for having a municipal partner. The complete rating system is posted in the grant's bid document.

Do parcels purchased in fee by a non-profit organization require a Conservation Restriction?

Yes.

Does the draft CR need to be submitted with the application?

No. But you need to identify the CR holder and demonstrate their commitment to hold the CR through a letter submitted in the application or other.

When do we communicate with you about a road that divides parcels and may be problematic?

Applicants are encouraged to review this with the grant manager as soon as possible.

If most of the parcels will not have public access as they will be under Agricultural Preservation Restrictions, is the project still eligible since it won't have public access on these parcels?

We do try to work with projects that have only a minority of parcels with access. The project very well may still be eligible.