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***2026 Grant Application for Recreation Acquisition Grants***

Please Refer to the 2026 Grant Instruction Sheet and enter the information in spaces provided.

**PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Municipality:** Click here to enter text.

**Project Name:** Click here to enter text.

**Address of property to be acquired:** Click here to enter text.

**Map and Lot:** Click here to enter text.

**Grant Category: Recreation Acquisition Projects up to $ 500,000 (50% match)**

**Has a separate application for an associated recreation development project been submitted**? Yes No

**Grant Amount Requested:** Click here to enter text.

**Name of Municipal/Tribal Contact:** Click here to enter text.

**Title**: Click or tap here to enter text.

**Email:** Click here to enter text.

**Telephone:** Click here to enter text.

**Address:** Click here to enter text.

**Municipal FEIN #:** Click here to enter text.

**Acquisition Target Dates:**

**Start Date:** Click here to enter text. **Finish Date:** Click here to enter text.

1. **Project Summary****: Summarize the project and why the project is important.**

**Be concise and limit to ½ page.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Please provide the following information on the proposed Recreation Acquisition project:**

* **Acreage to be acquired:** Click here to enter text.
* **Assessed value of land:** Click here to enter text.
* **Date of tax assessment:** Click here to enter text.
* **Appraised value (if known):** Click here to enter text.
* **Source and date of appraisal:** Click here to enter text.
* **Current owner of property:** Click here to enter text.
* **Is the land currently for sale?** Yes No
  + **If, yes, what is the asking price?** Click here to enter text.
  + **If no, is there a willing seller?** Yes No

1. **Public Participation Requirement:**

Hold at least one public meeting or hearing with proper public notice no more than 6 months prior to grant submission.

* **Enter date(s) of public meeting or hearing:** Click here to enter text.
* **Is a copy of the agenda & meeting/hearing minutes attached?** Yes No

(Please highlight the pertinent sections in the minutes)

* **Describe any other community engagement that was conducted:**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Municipal Approval Requirement:**

Hold at least one meeting of the City/Town Council with proper public to authorize the submission of the grant application and the municipality’s matching contribution. Submit documentation such as an official City/Town Council letter, meeting minutes or a resolution.

* **Enter date(s) of City/Town council meeting:** Click here to enter text.
* **Is a copy of a resolution or meeting minutes attached?** Yes No

(Please highlight the pertinent sections in the minutes)

1. **Fees:**

**Are fees currently charged for use of this land?** Yes No

If yes, attach a copy of the fee schedule.

If fees are charged, is the fee policy in compliance with the Fee Policy? (See Instructions) Yes No

If fees are charged and not in compliance with Fee Policy, explain here:

Click here to enter text.

6. **Signature:**

**By checking the box below, the person filling out this application certifies that he or she is authorized to sign this application on behalf of the applicant/municipality.**

Name and Title of Authorized Governmental official

(Contracting Authority such as Mayor, Council President, etc.):

Click here to enter text.

Date: Click here to enter text.

**PART B: PRIORITY RATING SYSTEM QUESTIONS FOR RECREATION ACQUISITION PROJECTS**

**The following is the scoring criteria as outlined in the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). Describe how the project addresses each item below. Be concise. If referencing reports available on the internet, provide links to access the specific referenced section rather than copying the full report in the application or as an attachment.**

1. **Relationship to Need (10 Points):**

**Demonstrate the need and/or demand for parks or other recreational land in the area.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Acres to be Acquired (up to 20 Points):**

**One point per acre acquired, up to a maximum of 20 points.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **State Planning Consistency (10 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the project satisfies priority needs documented in the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) and any other State Guide Plan elements identified as applicable by the RRRC. Points will be awarded based on the number and/or importance of recommended actions supported by the proposal.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Relationship to Community Planning (5 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the project advances elements of a larger community planning process.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Applicant Priority: If the municipality is submitting more than one application, prioritize all applications regardless of category (0-5 Points):**

**The applicant’s highest priority application will receive 5 points, the applicant’s second highest priority application will receive 3 points, and the applicant’s third highest priority application will receive 1 point. All other applications will receive 0 points.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Historic & Cultural Preservation (10 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the acquisition of the site will preserve significant historical, cultural, or scenic resources.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Habitat Preservation (10 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the acquisition of the site will preserve areas of wildlife habitat.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Brownfield Redevelopment (5 Points):**

**Describe whether the acquisition of the site will provide for the redevelopment of a brownfield as defined by DEM Remediation Regulations.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Connectivity (5 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the acquisition of the site will provide for a connection between two existing recreational resources or from a population center to a recreational resource.**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Equity, Service, and Accessibility (15 Points Total – 5 Points Each for A, B & C):**

**Demonstrate how the project will expand the recreational opportunities available to disadvantaged segments of the population in the following areas:**

**10A) The project is located within or provides enhanced service to neighborhoods in which low income and/or minority residents are over-represented. (5 Points):**

Click here to enter text.

**10B) The project is in a densely populated neighborhood, or a neighborhood identified for revitalization by State or community programs. (5 Points):**

Click here to enter text.

**10C) The project is served by public transportation (within ¼ mile of a bus stop) or is proximate to a bikeway. (5 Points):**

Click here to enter text.

1. **Climate Change Resiliency (5 Points):**

**Demonstrate how the acquisition of the site will enhance an area’s resiliency to climate change through elements such as a coastal buffer, flood storage, future marsh migration, etc.**

Click here to enter text.