

Conservation and Resource Protection Grant Program

Question 1

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Today's Presentation

State Lands Q1 Program

- ❖ Brief Background of Program
- ❖ Eligible Projects and Match Requirements
- ❖ State-Public Lands Q1 Projects
- ❖ Summary of Awarded Projects
- ❖ Funding Timeline
- ❖ **Questions**



Background

- ❖ Ballot Question 1 was a proposal to issue bonds in the amount of \$200 million for conservation and resource protection projects.
- ❖ It was passed by Nevada's voters in November 2002.





What is Question 1?

The Question 1 Program is a landmark conservation initiative designed to:

- ❖ Protect open space, lakes, rivers, wetlands, and wildlife habitat through acquisition and planning
- ❖ Restore and improve parks, recreational areas, and historic and cultural resources
- ❖ Construct recreational trails for a variety of uses

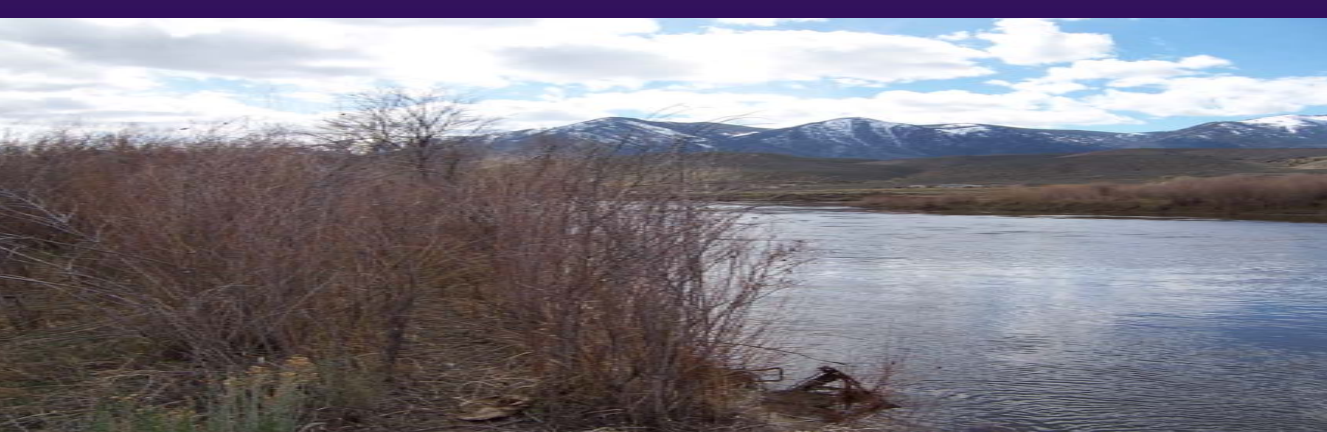


Bond Fund Allocation

- ❖ \$27 million to State Parks
- ❖ \$27.5 million to Division of Wildlife
- ❖ \$60 million for projects in Clark County
- ❖ \$10 million to Clark County
- ❖ \$10 million to Washoe County

Division of State Lands

- ❖ \$65.5 million of the \$200 million bond measure are allocated to the Division of State Lands to administer grant program



Eligible Applicants

- ❖ Counties
- ❖ Municipalities
- ❖ Nonprofit organizations
- ❖ State agencies



What projects are eligible?

- ❖ Habitat conservation plans (\$3 million)
- ❖ Open space plans (\$250,000)
- ❖ Land and water acquisitions (\$35 million)
- ❖ Urban parks and greenbelts (\$5 million)
- ❖ Recreational trails (\$7.25 million)
- ❖ Carson River Corridor (\$10 million)
- ❖ Lake Tahoe Path System (\$5 million)





Match Requirements

Habitat conservation plans-5%

Open space plans-5%

Recreational trails-25%

Urban parks and greenbelts-25%

Land/Water Acquisitions (>100,000 pop)-50%

Land/Water Acquisitions (<100,000 pop)-25%

Land/Water Acquisitions (non-profit org.)-50%

Q1 State and Public Lands Projects

- ❖ State-Public Lands Q1 projects include recreational trails, habitat conservation plans in Lander, Elko, Humboldt, Douglas, White Pine and Churchill counties



Q1 State and Public Lands Projects

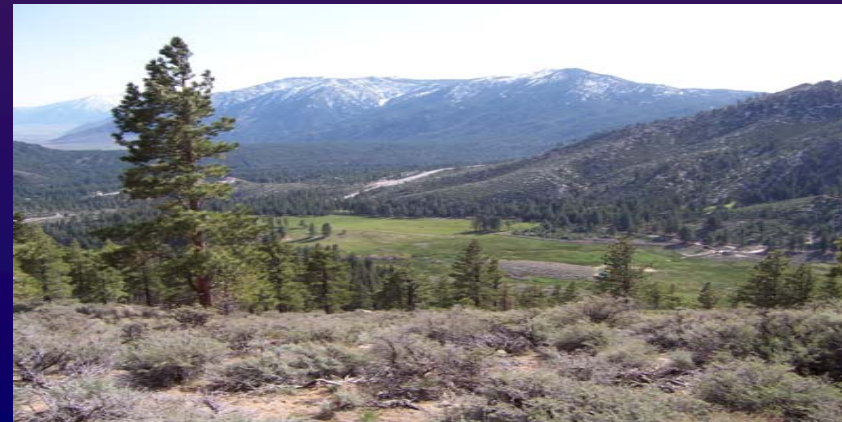
- ❖ Counties typically enter into management agreements with BLM or lease land from BLM to operate recreational trails on federal land



Habitat Conservation Plans

For the development of Habitat Conservation Plans

- ❖ Funding available: \$3,000,000
- ❖ Awarded to date: \$550,848
- ❖ Projects awarded in Nye, Lander, Lincoln and State-wide Comprehensive Plan



Open Space Plans

For the development of open space plans

- ❖ Funding Available: \$250,000
- ❖ Awarded to Date: \$60,000
- ❖ Projects awarded in Douglas and White Pine counties



Land and Water Acquisitions

To protect wildlife habitat, sensitive or unique vegetation, historic or cultural resources, riparian corridors, floodplains and wetlands, many of which that are adjacent to public lands

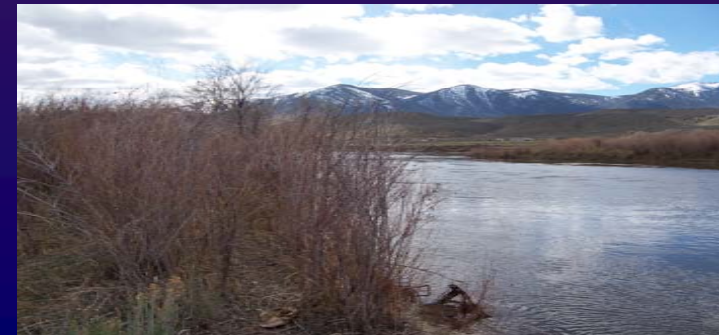
Funding Available: \$20,000,000

- ❖ Awarded to Date: \$5,951,752
- ❖ Projects awarded in Carson City, Douglas, Lincoln, Churchill and Storey counties



Land and Water Acquisitions-Non-Profit

- ❖ *To protect wildlife habitat, sensitive or unique vegetation, historic or cultural resources, riparian corridors, floodplains and wetlands*
- ❖ Funding Available: \$15,000,000
- ❖ Awarded to Date: \$2,526,500
- ❖ Projects awarded in Washoe, Churchill, Douglas, and Elko counties



Recreational Trails

For the construction of recreational trails including hiking, equestrian, bicycle trails and any other recreational activity that does not have an adverse impact on the environment

- ❖ Funding Available: \$7,250,000
- ❖ Awarded to Date: \$1,690,847
- ❖ Projects awarded in Clark, Douglas, Elko, Humboldt, Lander, White Pine and Washoe counties



Urban Parks and Greenbelts

For acquisition of land and water or interests in land and water for urban parks and greenbelts

- ❖ Funding Available: \$5,000,000
- ❖ Awarded Funding: \$1,381,000
- ❖ Projects awarded in Washoe and Carson City counties



Carson River Corridor

For enhancement and restoration of the Carson River Corridor

- ❖ Funding Available: \$10,000,000
- ❖ Awarded To Date: \$1,349,810
- ❖ Projects awarded in Lyon, Carson, Churchill and Douglas counties



Award Amounts by Year (Actual and Projected)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
November 2004	4,700,000				
June 2005		8,800,000			
December 2005		9,000,000			
June 2006			10,000,000		
December 2006			10,000,000		
June 2007				9,000,000	
December 2007				8,000,000	
June 2008					6,000,000
December 2008					
TOTAL	4,700,000	22,500,000	42,500,000	59,500,000	65,500,000



Summary

- ❖ Awarded funding to 46 projects in 13 counties for a total of \$13,510,757
- ❖ Projects awarded are for recreational trails, urban parks and greenbelts, land acquisition, open space plans, habitat conservation plans, and Carson River corridor



Awarded Projects by County



What makes a good Q1 Project?

- ❖ Applicant has read Q1 Act/Regulation language
- ❖ Applicant has submitted a pre-application
- ❖ Staff has met with applicant about the project
- ❖ Applicant has identified and checked matches for eligibility. If more than the required amount, that's even better!
- ❖ Applicant has requested a realistic grant amount to fund the project

What makes a good Q1 Project?

- ❖ Know the intent of the program and check for fit (conservation and resource protection program)
- ❖ Good project vs. eligible project
- ❖ Applicant has obtained support for the project ahead of time
- ❖ Project design includes multiple, stand-alone phases
- ❖ Project is designed to achieve a specific objective
- ❖ Confirm that you are an eligible applicant type. If not, find an eligible sponsor



What makes a good Q1 Project application?

- ❖ Use a consistent format
- ❖ Highlight key points
- ❖ Capture the readers attention
- ❖ Relate to the funders interest
- ❖ Observe guidelines set by funder
- ❖ Get to the point up front



Advisory Groups

- ❖ Four advisory groups (rec trails, acquisition, planning and habitat conservation plans) assist State Lands in reviewing and ranking applications each funding round
- ❖ Representatives include NACO, private, state, federal (BLM), cultural affairs, tourism, and non-profit

Timeline-2005-06

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|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| ❖ Award Round 2 Projects | May, 2005 |
| ❖ Pre-Application for Round 3 | June, 2005 |
| ❖ Application Submittal | July-Sept, 2005 |
| ❖ Committee Review | December, 2005 |
| ❖ Award Round 3 Projects | January, 2006 |
| ❖ Funding Round 3 | February, 2006 |
| ❖ Pre-Application for Round 4 | January, 2006 |
| ❖ Application Deadline Round 3 | April, 2006 |

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