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Funding Available for the Costs of Conserving Land

The New Hampshire Estuaries Project is offering matching grants of up to \$3000 per project to assist land conservation organizations, Conservation Commissions, Open Space Committees, and other governmental entities, with the transaction costs for permanent land protection projects, such as conservation easements, full fee acquisitions, and donations within the New Hampshire coastal watershed area. Eligible transaction costs include land surveys, attorney fees, land protection staff time, consultant fees, the conservation group's appraisal costs, recording fees, title expenses, and stewardship costs.

The grant program targets land parcels with stream shorelines, Prime Wetlands, undisturbed wetlands, and habitats that support plants and/or animals that are listed as rare, threatened or endangered.

Land owners interested in permanently protecting their land must work with a local land conservation organization to benefit from this grant program. For a list of eligible land conservation organizations, contact Derek Sowers, NHEP Project Coordinator, at 862-2641 or Derek.Sowers@unh.edu.