# 2026 NCLWF Grant Awards

approved 10/1/2026

| Summary of Funded Projects | Amount | Number |
|---|---|---|
| Acquisition (Military Buffer) | $3,653,575 | 3 |
| Acquisition (Non-military) | $20,938,609 | 13 |
| Restoration | $3,953,321 | 10 |
| Innovative Stormwater | $842,320 | 5 |
| Planning | $1,203,555 | 18 |
| Donation Mini-Grants* | $37,000 | 1 |
| **Total** | **$30,628,380** | **50** |

*** Up to $500,000 will be allocated for Donation Mini-Grants from available funds as applications are approved**

****Note: Provisional Awards are made pending revenue that may become available before July 1, 2027, but this is not a guarantee of funding. As funds become available, we will notify recipents and update this page.**

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| **ACQUISITION PROJECTS** | | | | |
| 2026-059 - Piedmont Land Conservancy - Guilford Woods - UT Horsepen Creek | $2,918,650 | | ACQ - 1 | Guilford |
| 2026-021 - Highlands Cashiers Land Trust - Peregrine Tract | $2,569,925 | | ACQ - 2 | Jackson |
| 2026-056 - Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. - Trout Creek | $3,100,000 | | ACQ - 3 | Jackson |
| 2026-048 - NC Wildlife Resources Commission - Price Tract - Three Top Mountain Game Land | $104,000 | | ACQ - 4 | Ashe |
| 2026-032 - NC Coastal Federation - Temple Farms Tract - North River Headwaters (Military) | $600,975 | | ACQ - 5 | Carteret |
| 2026-017 - Foothills Conservancy of NC - Hickorynut Mountain Phase 3 | $4,000,000 | | ACQ - 6 | McDowell |
| 2026-024 - Mainspring Conservation Trust - Shanty Gap - Nantahala Game Land | $276,681 | | ACQ - 7 | Graham |
| 2026-075 - Triangle Land Conservancy - Lone Oak Farm - Mill Creek (Military) | $677,500 | | ACQ - 8 | Johnston |
| 2026-084 - Three Rivers Land Trust - Methodist University Forest - Cape Fear River | $694,915 | | ACQ - 9 | Cumberland |
| 2026-079 - The Nature Conservancy - Autry Tract - Phoenix Mountain Preserve | $1,580,055 | | ACQ - 10 | Ashe |
| 2026-027 - Mainspring Conservation Trust - Watkins Creek - Future Game Land | $919,700 | | ACQ - 11 | Cherokee |
| 2026-062 - Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy - Georges Fork Headwaters | $916,548 | | ACQ - 12 | Yancey |
| 2026-070 - The Conservation Fund - Tuckertown Bluffs - Yadkin River Game Land | $3,000,000 | | ACQ - 13 | Rowan |
| 2026-033 - NC Coastal Land Trust - Weyerhaeuser Carteret 7 - Adams Creek (Military) | $2,375,100 | | ACQ - 14 | Carteret |

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| **ACQUISITION PROJECTS (continued)** | | | | |
| 2026-058 - NC DA&CS Plant Conservation Program - Johnson Merson Tracts - Boiling Spring Lakes PCP Preserve | $3,150 | | ACQ - 15 | Brunswick |
| 2026-081 - The Nature Conservancy - Milam Tract - Phoenix Mountain Preserve | $854,985 | ✓ | ACQ - 16 | Ashe |
| 2026-015 - Foothills Conservancy of NC - Chestnut Mountain Tract - Brushy Mountains | | $279,468 | ACQ - 17 | Alexander |
| 2026-004 - Conserving Carolina - Confluence Tract - Cane Creek Greenway | | $422,418 | ACQ - 18 | Henderson |
| 2026-053 - NC Wildlife Resources Commission - Temple Tracts - Gull Rock Game Land | | $316,000 | ACQ - 19 | Hyde |
| 2026-036 - NC Division of Parks and Recreation - Cokesbury Road Tract - Raven Rock State Park | | $817,368 | ACQ - 20 | Harnett |
| 2026-043 - NC Wildlife Resources Commission - High Rock Bluffs Tract - Yadkin River Game Land | | $1,002,000 | ACQ - 21 | Davidson |
| 2026-018 - Foothills Conservancy of NC - Lenoir Trust Tract - Green Mountain | | $312,280 | ACQ - 22 | Caldwell |
| 2026-083 - Three Rivers Land Trust - Big Branch Tracts - Future Game Land | | $1,631,400 | ACQ - 23 | Ashe |
| 2026-038 - NC Division of Parks and Recreation - South Fork Tracts - New River State Park | | $337,300 | ACQ - 24 | Ashe |
| 2026-082 - Tar River Land Conservancy - Griffin Tract - Fishing Creek | | $532,990 | ACQ - 25 | Nash |
| 2026-078 - The Nature Conservancy - Alexander Tract - Sandhills Conservation Corridor (Military) | | $174,610 | ACQ - 26 | Scotland |
| 2026-076 - Triangle Land Conservancy - Lowgrounds Phase 2 - Neuse River (Military) | | $575,700 | ACQ - 27 | Johnston |
| 2026-061 - Piedmont Land Conservancy - Millers Mill - Upper Uwharrie River | | $1,136,106 | ACQ - 28 | Randolph |
| 2026-040 - NC Wildlife Resources Commission - Edwards Timber Tract - Holly Shelter Game Land | | $432,500 | ACQ - 29 | Pender |
| 2026-002 - Blue Ridge Conservancy - Pruess Tract - Tater Hill PCP Preserve | | $187,700 | ACQ - 30 | Watauga |
| 2026-074 - Triangle Land Conservancy - Little Beaverdam Creek Connector - Falls Lake | | $1,010,692 | ACQ - 31 | Wake |
| 2026-077 - Triangle Land Conservancy - Rainbow Canyon Tract - Neuse River | | $268,950 | ACQ - 32 | Johnston |
| 2026-054 - NC Wildlife Resources Commission - United Methodist Foundation Tract - Sandhills Game Land (Military) | | $838,997 | ACQ - 33 | Richmond |

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| **ACQUISITION PROJECTS (continued)** | | | | |
| 2026-066 - The Conservation Fund - Blue Rock Tract - South Toe River | | $908,606 | ACQ - 34 | Yancey |
| 2026-030 - NC Coastal Federation - Weyerhaeuser Carteret 10 - North River Wetlands Preserve | | $2,436,225 | ACQ - 35 | Carteret |
| 2026-068 - The Conservation Fund - Mayo Dam Tract - Washington Mill Park | | $85,241 | ACQ - 36 | Rockingham |
| 2026-064 - The Conservation Fund - Avalon Dam Tract - Mayo River | | $162,271 | ACQ - 37 | Rockingham |
| 2026-028 - NC Coastal Federation - Bear Ridge Tracts - North River Wetlands Preserve | | $1,097,225 | ACQ - 38 | Carteret |
| 2026-080 - The Nature Conservancy - Coastal Plains LLC Tract - Antioch Bay | | $605,462 | ACQ - 39 | Hoke |
| 2026-022 - Town of Mars Hill - West Farm - Banjo Branch | | $584,295 | ACQ - 40 | Madison |
| **Acquisition Total** | **$24,592,184** | **$16,155,804** | | |
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| **INNOVATIVE STORMWATER PROJECTS** | | | | |
| 2026-1006 - NC State University- Sponsored Programs - Dry to Batch Detention - Retrofit Study | $215,874 | | ISW - 1 | Johnston |
| 2026-1005 - NC State University- Sponsored Programs - Bivalves in Wet Ponds - Retrofit Study | $195,311 | | ISW - 2 | Wake |
| 2026-1007 - NC State University- Sponsored Programs - Helene Damage to Restored Streams - Site Impact Assessment | $57,635 | | ISW - 3 | Buncombe |
| 2026-1008 - Town of Oak Island - 74th Street Dune Infiltration - Pilot Project | $200,000 | | ISW - 4 | Brunswick |
| 2026-1004 - NC Coastal Federation - Constructed Saltwater Wetland - Retrofit Study | $173,500 | | ISW - 5 | Dare |
| **Innovative Stormwater Total** | **$842,320** | **$0** | | |
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| **PLANNING PROJECTS** | | | | |
| 2026-811 - Town of Mayodan - Mayo and Avalon Dams - Dam Removal Plans | $63,750 | | PLAN - 1 | Rockingham |
| 2026-819 - The Conservation Fund - Haw River - Cane Creek Confluence - Watershed Plan | $62,277 | | PLAN - 2 | Alamance |
| 2026-812 - Mountain Valleys RC&D Inc. - Ivy River - Watershed Plan | $71,820 | | PLAN - 3 | Buncombe |
| 2026-813 - NC Coastal Federation - Lower Chowan River - Watershed Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 4 | Chowan |
| 2026-802 - Conserving Carolina - Pisgah National Forest Boundary Lands - Restoration Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 5 | Transylvania |
| 2026-810 - Haywood Waterways Association - Upper Hominy Creek - Watershed Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 6 | Haywood |
| 2026-805 - Deep River Riverkeeper - Deep River Headwaters - Water Quality Plan | $60,000 | | PLAN - 7 | Guilford |
| 2026-803 - Conserving Carolina - Upper Broad River - Watershed Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 8 | Buncombe |
| 2026-816 - Piedmont Conservation Council - Third Fork Creek - Restoration Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 9 | Durham |
| 2026-804 - Carolina Wetlands Association - Waccamaw-Siouan Tribe - Flood and Restoration Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 10 | Bladen |
| 2026-815 - Piedmont Conservation Council - Pritchard Mill Creek Watershed - Restoration Plan | $74,300 | | PLAN - 11 | Orange |
| 2026-817 - Sound Rivers Inc - Adkin Branch - Watershed Plan | $50,000 | | PLAN - 12 | Lenoir |
| 2026-818 - Sound Rivers Inc - Pikeville Slough Watershed - Restoration Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 13 | Wayne |
| 2026-809 - Haw River Assembly - Tom's Creek Watershed - Flood Resiliency Plan | $65,000 | | PLAN - 14 | Orange |
| 2026-807 - City of Greenville - FEMA Buyout Lots - Restoration Plan | $51,408 | | PLAN - 15 | Pitt |
| 2026-806 - Foothills Conservancy of NC - Brushy Mountains - Conservation Plan | $30,000 | | PLAN - 16 | Caldwell |
| 2026-814 - Piedmont Conservation Council - Glencoe Dam - Haw River - Dam Removal Plan | $75,000 | | PLAN - 17 | Alamance |
| 2026-801 - Albemarle RC & D - Perquimans River Living Shoreline - Feasibility Study | $75,000 | | PLAN - 18 | Perquimans |
| **Planning Total** | **$1,203,555** | **$0** | | |
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| **RESTORATION PROJECTS** | | | | |
| 2026-418 - NC Coastal Federation - North River Headwaters - Wetland Restoration | $498,500 | | REST - 1 | Carteret |
| 2026-437 - The Nature Conservancy - Cape Fear River | $750,000 | | REST - 2 | Bladen |
| 2026-412 - Haywood Waterways Association - Clyde Flood Resiliency Phase 3 - Pigeon River | $93,250 | | REST - 3 | Haywood |
| 2026-417 - NC Coastal Federation - Living Shoreline Cost Share Program 2026 | $560,270 | | REST - 4 | Carteret |
| 2026-436 - Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy - Doubleside Knob - Beaverdam Creek | $520,500 | | REST - 5 | Haywood |
| 2026-419 - NC Coastal Federation - Roanoke and Stump Sounds - Oyster Reef Restoration | $118,757 | | REST - 6 | Dare |
| 2026-438 - The Nature Conservancy - Egg Bay - Wetland Restoration | $180,000 | | REST - 7 | Bladen |
| 2026-440 - Wilkes Soil & Water Conservation District - Painter Lane - Mulberry Creek | $274,364 | | REST - 8 | Wilkes |
| 2026-404 - Blue Ridge RC&D - Grassy Creek Phase 2 | $207,680 | | REST - 9 | Mitchell |
| 2026-424 - Resource Institute - Edgemont LTD - Wilson Creek | $750,000 | ✓ | REST - 10 | Caldwell |
| 2026-415 - Mountain True Inc - Burningtown Lakes - Dam Removal and Restoration | | $480,000 | REST - 11 | Macon |
| 2026-422 - Piedmont Conservation Council - Jordan Farm - Guffy Branch | | $308,120 | REST - 12 | Wake |
| 2026-435 - RiverLink, Inc. - Beacon Park - UT Swannanoa River | | $405,000 | REST - 13 | Buncombe |
| 2026-406 - Blue Ridge RC&D - Todd Island Park Phase 4 - New River | | $101,400 | REST - 14 | Ashe |
| 2026-426 - Resource Institute - John C. Campbell Folk School - Little Brasstown Creek | | $473,500 | REST - 15 | Cherokee |
| 2026-423 - Piedmont Conservation Council - Leonard Rec Center - Horsepen Creek | | $624,702 | REST - 16 | Guilford |
| **Restoration Total** | **$3,953,321** | **$2,392,722** | | |
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| **DONATION MINI-GRANT PROJECTS** | | | | |
| 2026D-016 - Triangle Land Conservancy - Jahnke Tact | $37,000 | ✓ | | Orange |
| **Donation Mini-Grant Total** | **$37,000** | **$0** | | |
| **All Programs Total** | **$30,628,380** | **$18,548,526** | | |