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From: Stephanie Sheetz [ssheetz@theconservationfoundation.org]
Sent: Monday, December 17, 2007 9:44 AM
Subject: C2000 grant proposals for 2009
Attachments: Request for Proposals FY09.doc; Mission and Strategic Goals Statement, 10.12.05.doc

Hello all –

I wanted to pass on a grant opportunity to stakeholders in the watershed. The Prairie Parklands Ecosystem Partnership, a regional public/private partnership of which the Aux Sable Creek Watershed qualifies to participate with, has requested grant proposals for the 2009 C2000 grant cycle. Ecosystems Partnerships are voluntary, broad-based, locally organized efforts, incorporating the interests and participation of local communities, and of private, public, and corporate landowners, and rely on incentives rather than government regulation. C2000 was designed to take a holistic, long-term approach to protecting and managing Illinois' natural resources by providing grant funding for conservation projects primarily on private lands. For more information about Ecosystem Partnerships or C2000, here's a link you can start with: <http://dnr.state.il.us/orep/c2000/ecosystem/>

C2000 grant proposals should generally relate to the following key areas:

- High Quality Natural Areas: Acquire, Protect, and Restore Natural Resources of Local and State Significance.
- Minimum Functional Habitat Area; Habitat Diversity: Acquire, Preserve, and Restore Habitat Areas which meet Minimum Functional Habitat Area Guidelines; or Ensure Diversity of Habitats.
- Buffer to Protect Sensitive Areas: Create, Protect, and Restore Adequate Buffer to Protect Sensitive Habitats from Non-Compatible Land Uses.
- Connect Habitat Areas.
- Ecosystem-Based Best Management Practices (E-B/BMPs).
- Restore and Naturalize Hydrologic Functions.
- Complementary Educational Strategies: Develop Educational Strategies Which Complement Ecosystem Protection, Restoration, and Enhancement Activities.
- Research and Monitoring Integration: Integrate Research and Monitoring into Partnerships and Program Work.
- Local, State, and Federal Program Integration: Integrate the Ecosystems Program with Other Local, State, and Federal Programs and Initiatives.

For more detailed information on these key areas, visit:

<http://dnr.state.il.us/orep/c2000/ecosystem/fy09/fy09guidance.htm>. Below is the e-mail from Prairie Parklands announcing the grant and providing additional materials.

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The Conservation Foundation has assisted landowners and local governments interested in applying. Please let me know if you have interest & we can discuss how I might help.

Thanks,
Stephanie

From: Morgan Drdak [mailto:mdrdak@fpdwc.org]
Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2007 2:03 PM
To:
Subject: Prairie Parklands Partnership - Request for C2000 Grant Proposals

Good afternoon,
On behalf of the Prairie Parklands Partnership, I am attaching to this e-mail two documents regarding the C2000 Ecosystem Project FY09 Grants. The first is a Request for Proposals, and the second is the Partnership's Mission and Strategic Goals Statement (referenced in the Request for Proposals). If you have any questions, please contact Rita Renwick at uofialumni@comcast.net. Thank you.

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