



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
 Washington Fish and Wildlife Office  
 Recovery Program

Notification of Funding Availability  
 Fiscal Year 2013

**General Information**

The Recovery Program of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in the Washington Fish and Wildlife Office allocates funds each year to help recover species and their habitats in Washington State. We provide this notification to inform current and potential new partners about the Recovery Program and the availability of funding for cooperative recovery projects.

We recommend that you read this notification in its entirety, determine if you have a potential project that would meet Recovery Program goals, contact us to discuss potential projects, and then submit information to us about your project as a pre-proposal. Your response to this notification helps us learn about potential projects and partnerships in Washington and allocate personnel and funding to maximize conservation benefits for fish and wildlife.

**Funding**

Funding for any USFWS program is contingent upon Congressional and agency authorization. We anticipate the Recovery Program may have approximately \$500,000 to allocate to proposals in 2013. No proposal can request more than \$80,000 in any given year.

**Schedule**

Key dates in the process for allocating recovery funding are indicated below.

Date	Action
Monday September 17, 2012	Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) posted. See <a href="http://www.fws.gov/wafwo/">http://www.fws.gov/wafwo/</a>
Thursday November 1, 2012	Pre-proposals due. E-mail to <a href="mailto:RecoveryFunding@fws.gov">RecoveryFunding@fws.gov</a>
Monday November 19, 2012	USFWS notifies Partners as to whether or not they should develop a draft proposal.
Monday December 17, 2012	Draft proposals due. E-mail draft proposals to your USFWS contact.
By Friday December 28, 2012	USFWS provides feedback on draft proposals to Partners.
Tuesday January 15, 2013	Final proposals due. E-mail final proposals to <a href="mailto:RecoveryFunding@fws.gov">RecoveryFunding@fws.gov</a>
By Thursday April 15, 2013	USFWS notifies Partners if their proposals will be funded.

### **Eligibility**

Any entity can apply for recovery funding in Washington. Qualifying projects may entail on-the-ground work, outreach, education, assessment, and research. Projects may occur on public, private, or tribal lands.

### **Administrative Overhead**

Administrative overhead expenses are those costs required by a partner to support the primary organization. If the partner has not established a mandatory rate, project specific costs should be listed as Administrative Overhead Expenses on the Budget sheet. Typical expenses include office rent, utilities, accounting, and vehicles.

### **Cost Share**

A minimum 25% cost share is required to apply for recovery funding. Cost share is defined as the amount or percentage of the total project cost that a partner must contribute to a proposed project. For example: You estimate your project will cost \$26,000, and a 25% minimum cost share is required. The most funding you could request from USFWS would be \$19,500, and you, or other project partners, would have to provide the remaining \$6,500. Proposals with higher cost share percentages will score more points when being evaluated.

Cost share can be provided by cash, in-kind, or match contributions. Eligible in-kind or match contributions include services committed by public, tribal, or private sources such as: labor, use of personal equipment, surveying, or contributions that would otherwise qualify as an allowable cost for funding. Ineligible cost share includes: land value, costs associated with unrelated or ineligible projects, and work performed by USFWS Ecological Services personnel.

### **Landowner Agreements**

For projects that will receive funding, the landowner, the partner, and USFWS must sign a Landowner Agreement before funding is made available. This agreement: 1) describes the activity that will take place; 2) ensures that all parties understand the activities that will be undertaken; 3) secures the Federal investment for at least 10 years, preferably longer; 4) allows the partner and USFWS to access the project site for post-project monitoring with advance notification; 5) outlines modification procedures; and, 6) outlines the rights and responsibilities of USFWS, the landowner, and the partner.

### **Funding Agreements**

A funding agreement is required between USFWS and the entity who will be the recipient of funds for a project. This is a fiscal document that provides for the transfer of funds for the project, on a reimbursable basis. Electronic funds transfer payment is required to ensure timely processing. Annual and final reports, at a minimum, are required to document project progress.

## **Recovery Program**

The Recovery Program funds projects in Washington that will restore habitat or implement conservation actions which directly contribute to the conservation of at-risk species. Any entity can apply for recovery funds. At-risk species (Table 1) and activities which specifically benefit them are the target of this program. Funding will be prioritized for projects meeting these goals:

### Goals:

- For listed (endangered or threatened) species: restore habitat or implement conservation actions consistent with Federal recovery plans and/or species action plans that will help recover these species.
- For candidate (not yet listed) species: restore habitat or undertake conservation actions consistent with State recovery plans, Federal species assessment and listing priority assessment forms, and/or species action plans that will help preclude the need to list these species in the future.
- For species of interest: restore habitat or carry out conservation actions consistent with Federal or state plans if available, or that will meaningfully contribute to either increasing knowledge about these species or to reducing the primary threat(s) to these species.

### Types of projects preferred for funding under the Recovery Program are those that:

- Address one or more of the species identified in Table 1;
- Implement Federal recovery plan tasks or meet recovery criteria for a species; or carry out or contribute to accomplishing a strategic action identified in a species action plan or a State plan/strategy for that species; and
- Provide a measurable benefit to the status or recovery of a species.

Projects may be proposed for: animal, plant, and habitat surveys; research; assessment and monitoring; species captive breeding, propagation, introduction, re-establishment, and genetic work; habitat protection, restoration, and management; predator control to promote species recovery; or public education and outreach.

Table 1 identifies species targeted by the Recovery Program, the Federal or State documents that should be used to guide conservation actions for these species, and who can be contacted for additional information about each species and about any proposals benefiting that species. For species of interest, which typically lack recovery plans or species action plans, USFWS will consider funding tasks or actions identified in plans focused on the species' conservation and supported or developed by a qualified entity (such plans may be HCPs, tribal restoration plans, CCPs, CCAAs, INRMPs). Higher priority tasks or actions will receive preference for funding.

Projects designed to benefit target species should be coordinated with the appropriate USFWS contact (see Table 2) in advance of submission.

Table 1. Recovery Program target species information.

(Note: Hyperlinks are provided for the relevant electronic document where available.  
Current versions of Species Action Plans may be obtained from the USFWS contact indicated.)

SPECIES COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	USFWS CONTACT	DOCUMENTS TO GUIDE RECOVERY PROJECTS	
			Recovery Plan/Other	Species Action Plan
<b>Endangered Animals</b>				
<a href="#">Columbian white-tailed deer</a>	<i>Odocoileus virginianus leucurus</i>	Ted Thomas	1983 revised final Federal recovery plan	Draft
<a href="#">Gray wolf</a>	<i>Canis lupus</i>	Gregg Kurz	<a href="#">2008 draft State conservation and management plan</a>	-
Pygmy rabbit (Columbia Basin DPS)	<i>Brachylagus idahoensis</i>	Chris Warren	<a href="#">2012 Federal recovery plan</a> , <a href="#">2011 State recovery plan</a>	-
Woodland caribou	<i>Rangifer tarandus caribou</i>	Michelle Eames	<a href="#">1994 final Federal recovery plan</a>	-
<b>Endangered Plants</b>				
Bradshaw's lomatium	<i>Lomatium bradshawii</i>	Ted Thomas	<a href="#">2010 final Federal recovery plan (for Prairie Species of W WA and SW OR)</a>	-
<a href="#">Marsh sandwort</a>	<i>Arenaria paludicola</i>	Ted Thomas	1998 final Federal recovery plan	-
Showy stickseed	<i>Hackelia venusta</i>	Tim McCracken	2007 final Federal recovery plan	-
Wenatchee Mtns checker-mallow	<i>Sidalcea oregana</i> var. <i>calva</i>	Tim McCracken	2004 final Federal recovery plan	Draft
<b>Threatened Animals</b>				
<a href="#">Bull trout</a>	<i>Salvelinus confluentus</i>	Jeff Chan, Judy Neibauer	<a href="#">2004 draft Federal recovery plan</a>	-
<a href="#">Canada lynx</a>	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	Gregg Kurz	<a href="#">2000 conservation assessment and strategy</a> , 2001 State recovery plan	-
<a href="#">Grizzly bear</a>	<i>Ursus arctos horribilis</i>	Gregg Kurz	1982 final Federal recovery plan with ecosystem supplements	-
<a href="#">Marbled murrelet</a>	<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>	Deanna Lynch	1997 final Federal recovery plan	Draft
<a href="#">Northern spotted owl</a>	<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	Kim Flotlin	<a href="#">2011 revised Federal recovery plan</a>	Draft
<a href="#">Oregon silverspot butterfly</a>	<i>Speyeria zerene hippolyta</i>	Judy Lantor	2001 revised final Federal recovery plan	Draft
<a href="#">Western snowy plover</a>	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>	Martha Jensen	2001 draft Federal recovery plan	Draft

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<b>Threatened Plants</b>				
<a href="#">Golden paintbrush</a>	<i>Castilleja levisecta</i>	Ted Thomas	2000 final Federal recovery plan	Draft
<a href="#">Kincaid's lupine</a>	<i>Lupinus sulphureus</i> ssp. <i>kincaidii</i>		<a href="#">2010 final Federal recovery plan (for Prairie Species of W WA and SW OR)</a>	-
<a href="#">Nelson's checker- mallow</a>	<i>Sidalcea nelsoniana</i>		-	
Water howellia	<i>Howellia aquatilis</i>	Carrie Cordova	1996 draft Federal recovery plan	-
Spalding's catchfly	<i>Silene spaldingii</i>	Carrie Cordova	2007 <a href="#">final Federal recovery plan</a>	-
Ute ladies' -tresses	<i>Spiranthes diluvialis</i>	Tim McCracken	1995 <a href="#">draft Federal recovery plan</a>	-
<b>Candidate Animals</b>				
Columbia spotted frog	<i>Rana luteiventris</i>	Greg Van Stralen	Recommended conservation measures in species assessment and listing priority assessment form	-
<a href="#">Fisher</a> (West Coast DPS)	<i>Martes pennanti</i>	Martha Jensen	<a href="#">2006 final State recovery plan</a>	Draft
Greater sage grouse	<i>Centrocercus urophasianus</i>	Tim McCracken	2004 final State recovery plan	-
<a href="#">Mazama pocket gopher</a>	<i>Thomomys mazama</i> ssp. <i>couchi</i> , <i>glacialis</i> , <i>louiei</i> , <i>melanops</i> , <i>pugetensis</i> , <i>yelmensis</i> , <i>tacomensis</i> , <i>tumuli</i> , <i>douglasii</i>	Kim Flotlin	Recommended conservation measures in species assessment and listing priority assessment form	Draft
<a href="#">Oregon spotted frog</a>	<i>Rana pretiosa</i>	Deanna Lynch		Draft
<a href="#">Streaked horned lark</a>	<i>Eremophila alpestris strigata</i>	Kim Flotlin		Draft
<a href="#">Taylor's checkerspot butterfly</a>	<i>Euphydryas editha taylori</i>	Ted Thomas		Draft
Washington ground squirrel	<i>Spermophilus washingtoni</i>	Tim McCracken		Draft
Wolverine	<i>Gulo gulo</i>	Gregg Kurz		
<a href="#">Yellow-billed cuckoo</a>	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	Emily Teachout		-

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<b>Candidate Plants</b>				
Northern wormwood	<i>Artemisia borealis</i> var. <i>wormskioldii</i>	Tim McCracken	Recommended conservation measures in species assessment and listing priority assessment form	Draft
White Bluffs bladderpod	<i>Physaria douglasii</i> ssp. <i>tuplashensis</i>	Tim McCracken		Draft
Umtanum desert buckwheat	<i>Erigonum codium</i>			-
<b>Species of Interest</b>				
Cascade torrent salamander	<i>Rhyacotriton</i> <i>cascadae</i>	Jodi Bush	-	-
Cascades frog	<i>Rana cascadae</i>	Deanna Lynch	-	-
Coastal cutthroat trout (SW WA/ Columbia R. DPS)	<i>Onchorynchus clarki</i> <i>clarki</i>	Jeff Chan	<a href="#">2008 Assessment</a>	-
Columbia torrent salamander	<i>Rhyacotriton kezeri</i>	Jodi Bush	-	-
Columbian sharp- tailed grouse	<i>Tympanuchus</i> <i>Phasianellus</i> <i>columbianus</i>	Chris Warren	<a href="#">2012 State recovery plan</a>	-
Giant Palouse earthworm	<i>Driloleirus</i> <i>americanus</i>	Michelle Eames	-	-
Island marble butterfly	<i>Euchloe ausonides</i> <i>insulanus</i>	Ted Thomas	-	-
<a href="#">Mardon skipper</a>	<i>Polites mardon</i>	Vince Harke	<a href="#">2012 FR Notice, Federal conservation assessments</a>	-
Olympic torrent salamander	<i>Rhyacotriton</i> <i>olympicus</i>	Jodi Bush	-	-
Pacific lamprey	<i>Entosphenus</i> <i>tridentata</i>	Carrie Cook- Tabor	<a href="#">2011 Pacific Lamprey Assessment and Template for Conservation Measures</a>	-
Pale blue-eyed grass	<i>Sisyrinchium</i> <i>sarmentosum</i>	Ted Thomas	-	-
Sand verbena moth		Ted Thomas	-	-
Sea otter	<i>Enhydra lutris</i>	Deanna Lynch	<a href="#">2004 State recovery plan</a>	-
Western pond turtle	<i>Emys marmorata</i>	Jeff Chan	<a href="#">1999 State recovery plan</a>	-

Table 2. USFWS contact information.

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