LAND AND WATERS PRESERVATION TRUST

 GRANT APPLICATION

BACKROUND

Land and Waters (L&W) is a component fund of the Initiative Foundation (IF) and serves as a philanthropic vehicle for accumulating and distributing financial resources to benefit those in the area of the Pine River Watershed. It was established through a partnership between Whitefish Area Property Owners Association (WAPOA), Pine River Watershed Alliance (PRWA) and IF.

Grants will be made to 501c3 non-profits such as the Whitefish Area Property Owners Association (WAPOA), other lake associations in the watershed, the Pine River Watershed Alliance (PRWA), or local units of government that serve the Pine River Watershed.

Grants will be made only for proposals that fit one or more of the Funding Priorities listed below.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

L&W will accept and consider funding proposals that fit within the following priorities:

* Implement projects that enhance and protect surface and aquifer water quality in the Pine River watershed.
* Support sustainable riparian land management practices.
* Protect habitat for native plants and animals.

NOTE: Ongoing maintenance and capital expenditures will not be supported.

PROCESS

1. Fill out application form.
2. Email to Ron Meyer at msmeyer@tds.com
3. L&W Advisory Committee will do a review and provide you feedback regarding the application, if necessary.
4. If the application meets guidelines and has merit, additional information may be requested.
5. A final review will be done by L&W Advisory Board.
6. Grant requestors will be contacted and informed of final decisions

TIMELINE

1. Grant Application Form submission period is December 1, 2022 through March 1, 2023.
2. Additional requested information deadline is March 15, 2023.
3. Grant award date is April 1, 2023.
4. Total Grants Annual Budget – total grant awards not to exceed $18,000.
	1. Considering the annual budget amount, grant applications requesting up to $5,000 are encouraged, with larger project amounts considered
5. The intention is that the project proposed will be completed in 2023.

CONTACT PERSON FOR GRANT INFORMATION

 If you have questions, contact Ron Meyer.

 Email: msmeyer@tds.com

 GRANT APPLICATION FORM

**ORGANIZATION**

Name of organization:

Are you a 501(C)3 or have a partner who is or is a local government unit? Note: If not you will have to partner with PRWA, WAPOA, a local government unit or a 501(C)3 as your agent.)

Federal Tax ID Number:

Organization Mailing Address:

CONTACT PERSON

Name:

Relationship to organization:

Contact info (phone and email):

PROJECT

Describe your project:

What organizations or individuals will be responsible for implementing it?

What are the project costs? Are there other financial resources from other organizations?

What do you wish to accomplish and how will the results be measured?

Who will benefit from the project and how will you engage them?

What will need to be performed to ensure ongoing maintenance; and who will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance (if applicable)?

Clearly state what amount you are requesting in this grant from Land and Waters Preservation Trust to support his project.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Please provide a copy of your project’s total budget, and your 501c(3) form if the organization is tax exempt.