



Audubon CONNECTICUT
IBA Small Matching Grants Program

Audubon Connecticut is currently seeking proposals from Audubon chapters, landowners, universities, and organizations for projects at identified Important Bird Areas (IBA) that advance Audubon's priorities for 2018, which include 1) increasing awareness about Important Bird Areas, 2) improving, restoring and protecting habitat, 3) gaining a greater understanding of the abundance and distribution of our [priority bird species](#); and 4) implementing conservation strategies put forth in [IBA Conservation Plans](#) and other strategic plans. In addition, Audubon would be pleased to consider applications from organizations working at IBAs in the New Haven Harbor Watershed.

A total of \$10,000 in funding is available. Individual projects are eligible for up to \$2,500 each and a minimum of 1:1 match of funds, goods or services is required. Special focus is given to proposals under \$1,000. IBA Small matching grant funds cannot be used to cover overhead. Proposals will be reviewed by the Audubon Connecticut Science Committee. **Deadline for submissions is January 31st, 2018.**

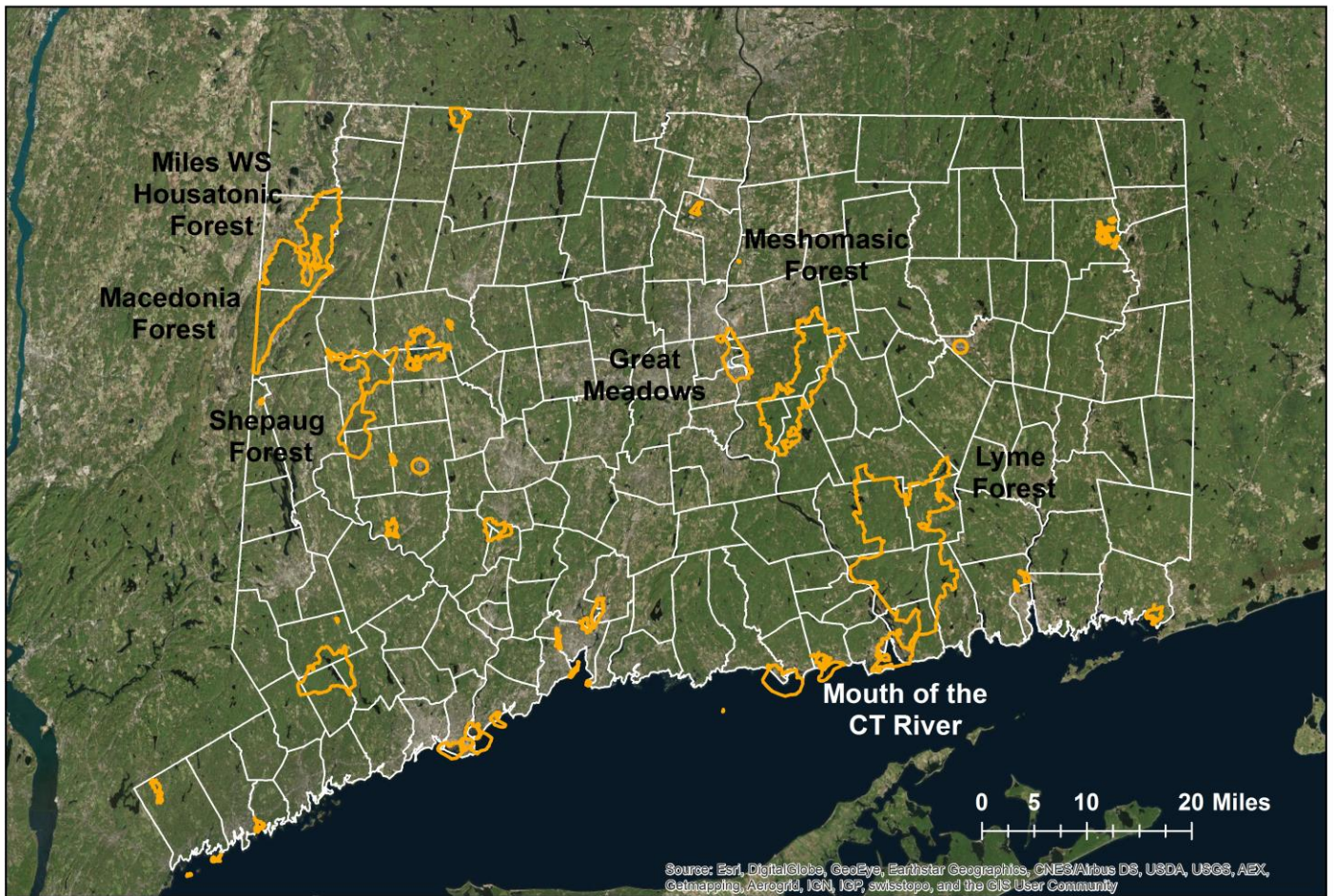
Emphasis will be on projects at identified IBAs. IBAs that have been publically recognized are listed below. Contact Genevieve Nuttall (at gnuttall@audubon.org or (203) 405-9115) to inquire about other sites and for additional information.

Publically Recognized IBAs

1. **Aton Forest**, Norfolk, Colebrook
2. **Audubon Center in Greenwich** (including Quaker Ridge), Greenwich
3. **Barn Island Wildlife Management Area**, Stonington
4. **Bent of the River Sanctuary**, Southbury
5. **Charles Island and Silver Sands State Park**, Milford
6. **The Connecticut Audubon Society's Bafflin Sanctuary**, Pomfret
7. **Connecticut College Arboretum**, Waterford and New London
8. **Couch Hill Preserve**, Redding
9. **Cove Island Park**, Stamford
10. **District of Willimantic Chimney Swift Roosts**, Windham
11. **East Rock Park**, New Haven
12. **Falkner Island unit of Stewart B. McKinney NWR**, Guilford
13. **Good Hill Farm Preserve**, Woodbury and Roxbury
14. **Great Captain's Island**, Greenwich
15. **Greenwich Point Park and nearby islands**, Greenwich
16. **Hammonasset Beach State Park**, Madison
17. **Lighthouse Point Park**, New Haven
18. **Mamacoke Island and adjacent coves**, Waterford
19. **Menunketesuck and Duck Islands and surrounding tidal flats**, Westbrook
20. **Milford Point/Wheeler Marsh/Mouth of the Housatonic River**, Milford
21. **Naugatuck State Forest (East and West Blocks)**, Naugatuck and Beacon Falls
22. **Northwest Park**, Windsor
23. **Quinnipiac River Tidal Marsh**, North Haven, New Haven, Hamden
24. **Salt Meadow Unit of Stewart B. McKinney NWR**, Westbrook.
25. **Sandy Point**, West Haven
26. **Station 43**, South Windsor
27. **Stratford Great Meadows area and Long Beach/Pleasure Beach complex**, Stratford, Bridgeport
28. **Topsmead State Forest (grassland component only)**, Litchfield
29. **The Nature Conservancy's Devil's Den Preserve**, Weston, Redding
30. **West River Memorial and Edgewood Park**, New Haven
31. **White Memorial Foundation**, Litchfield, Morris
32. **Wimisink Preserve**, Sherman
33. **Woodbury Chimney Swift Roost**, Woodbury

Landscape Scale IBAs - Landscape-level Important Bird Areas include state-owned as well as privately held lands. Any landowners that are within the boundaries of these landscapes are eligible for the benefits of recognizing their properties as part of the IBA Complex, including eligibility for IBA small grants or utilizing the IBA status as a way to bolster other grant applications.

- 34. **Mouth of the Connecticut River:** This area is located in Old Lyme and Old Saybrook.
- 35. **Lyme Forest Block:** This area includes lands in several towns within Middlesex and New London Counties.
- 36. **Macedonia Forest Block:** This area is located in Kent and Sharon.
- 37. **Meshomasic Forest Block:** This area covers lands in Hartford and Middlesex County.
- 38. **Miles Wildlife Sanctuary and Housatonic State Forest Block:** This area is located in Sharon and Lakeville.
- 39. **Shepaug Forest Block Important Bird Area:** This area includes forested lands along a 15-mile stretch of the Shepaug River in Washington and Roxbury, Connecticut.
- 40. **Great Meadows Important Bird Area:** This area includes lush farmland and forested wetlands along an 8-mile stretch of the Connecticut River.



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Application Form

Applicant Name:

Address (City, State, Zip Code):

Amount of Funding Requested:

Project Title:

Brief Description of Project, including a description of how this project will help to implement an IBA Conservation Plan (attach additional sheets, if needed):

Specific Goals and Objectives of Project: (attach additional sheets, if needed):

Deliverables (include a list of specific products/activities to be accomplished in Project. Attach additional sheets, if needed):

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Budget for Funding (Please include the amount requested from Audubon CT, and show any existing or potential matching funds. A minimum of 1:1 match of funds, goods or services is required. Note that any funds unexpended following the completion of the project must be returned to the National Audubon Society.):

Timeline for Completing Project, including date of final report (roughly one year after grant received):

Person Responsible for Project Completion (name/phone/email):

Official Organizational or Governmental Entity Representative:

Print Name

Signature

Title

Date

Please submit your proposal via e-mail to Genevieve Nuttall at gnuttall@audubon.org or mail a hard copy to Genevieve at Audubon Connecticut, 185 East Flat Hill Road, Southbury, CT 06488.