



Rappahannock
River Roundtable
Blue Ridge to the Bay

Rappahannock River Roundtable – Conservation Easement Support Fund Application (*June 15th Deadline*)

1. Project Information

Applicant Organization: _____

Landowner Name(s): _____

County: _____

Tax Map Parcel(s)/PIN(s) _____

Acreage: _____

Amount Requested: _____ (*See budget requirements below.*)

2. Additional Documents to Submit with Application

Required:

- Aerial Photograph with Property Boundary and Neighboring Conservation Lands
- Topographic Map with Property Boundary and Neighboring Conservation Lands
- Budget with Itemized List of Expenses and Estimated Costs

Optional:

- Photographs of the Property
- Landowner Letter stating their willingness to move forward with the conservation easement

3. Funding Format

Support can be provided as a grant or another form of assistance. What is your preference?

- Grant
- Other (provide comments) _____

4. Conservation Value (up to 20 points)

- Protection of perennial streams or wetlands (3 pts)
- Forested riparian buffer (2 pts) or vegetated riparian buffer (1 pt)
- Conservation plans (forest, soil, other) (1 pt each)
- Property is 200 acres or more (1 pt)
- Adjacent to other protected lands (2 pts)
- Frontage along VA Scenic River, VA Scenic Byway, or National Scenic Byway (1 pt)
- Presence of natural heritage resources, historic sites, or cultural resources (1 pt each, 3 pts max)

- Important natural habitat and/or wildlife corridors (1 pt, 2 pts max)
- Other (Century Farm, Clean Water Farm, etc.) (1 pt each, 5 pts max)

Conservation Value Score: _____ / 20

5. Financial Need / Project Barriers (up to 10 points)

Please respond to the following:

A. In as much detail as possible, what are the expected transaction costs (survey, appraisal, legal, etc.) you anticipate requesting reimbursement for? AND what is the anticipated timeline for easement closing?

B. Are other funding sources committed? Please note if any NFWF, CWILD, or EPA funding is obligated for this project (funding from these sources may reduce eligibility for support from this fund).

C. What financial barriers exist for the landowner (income, debt, medical expenses, farm viability)?

D. Would the easement proceed without this funding? How would these funds close the gap? What barriers or steps remain to complete the project?

Financial Need Score: _____ / 10

6. Total Score & Recommendation from Sections 4 & 5 (To be completed by Review Team Only)

Conservation Value: _____ / 20

Financial Need: _____ / 10

Total Score: _____ / 30

Recommended Funding Amount: \$_____

7. Questions & Submission

For questions, reach out to Andy Lacatell at andylacatell@gmail.com or Bryn Sonnett at bsonnett@pecva.org. Please submit applications to bsonnett@pecva.org.

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