

CHAPTER 390

AN ACT appropriating and reappropriating certain moneys from various Green Acres bond acts to assist local government units to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection such sums as may be, or may become available, on or before June 30, 2002, due to interest earnings or loan repayments in any "Green Trust Fund" established pursuant to a Green Acres bond act, for the purpose of providing:

(1) grants or loans, or both, to assist local government units to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes, for projects approved as eligible for such funding pursuant to section 2 of this act; and

(2) additional funding, as determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any project of a local government unit that previously received funding appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund for recreation and conservation purposes or that receives funding approved pursuant to section 2 of this act or section 3 of P.L.2001, c.389, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act may include administrative costs.

b. There is reappropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection the unexpended balances, due to project withdrawals, cancellations, or cost savings, of the amounts appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act to assist local government units to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes, for the purposes of providing:

(1) grants or loans, or both, to assist local government units to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes, for projects approved as eligible for such funding pursuant to section 2 of this act; and

(2) additional funding, as determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any project of a local government unit that previously received funding appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund for recreation and conservation purposes or that receives funding approved pursuant to section 2 of this act or section 3 of P.L.2001, c.389, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act may include administrative costs.

c. For the purposes of this section:

"Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund" means the fund established pursuant to section 19 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-19); and

"Green Acres bond act" means P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992, c.88, P.L.1989, c.183, P.L.1987, c.265, P.L.1983, c.354, and P.L.1978, c.118.

2. a. The following projects to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes are eligible for funding with moneys appropriated or reappropriated pursuant to section 1 of this act:

(1) Planning Incentive Program:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
North Hanover Twp	Burlington	Open Space Acq	\$ 550,000
Washington Twp	Gloucester	Open Space & Recreation Project Acq	750,000
Marlboro Twp	Monmouth	Marlboro Open Space Acq	750,000
Denville Twp	Morris	Denville Open Space Acq	750,000
Dover Twp	Ocean	Open Space & Recreation Plan Acq	750,000

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Blairstown Twp	Warren	Blairstown Twp Planning Incentive Acq	750,000
Hardwick Twp	Warren	Hardwick Twp Open Space Acq	290,000
Mansfield Twp	Warren	Mansfield Twp Open Space Acq	750,000

(2) Standard Acquisition Program:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Linwood City	Atlantic	South Jersey Industries Property Acq	\$ 240,000
Edgewater Boro	Bergen	Grand Cove Marina Acq	500,000
Middle Twp	Cape May	Park Acq	226,000
Rumson Boro	Monmouth	Rumson Boro Acq	500,000
Berkeley Twp	Ocean	Good Luck Point Acq	240,000
Stafford Twp	Ocean	Nautilus Park Acq	126,000
Washington Boro	Warren	Railroad Avenue Acq	500,000

(3) Urban Aid Communities Program:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Gloucester Twp	Camden	Open Space Acq	\$1,000,000
Old Bridge Twp	Middlesex	Cedar Ridge II Acq	1,000,000
Long Branch City	Monmouth	Manahasset Creek Acq	1,000,000

(4) State Share of Federal Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery Program:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Vineland City	Cumberland	Multi Parks Dev	\$ 58,800
Perth Amboy City	Middlesex	Caledonia/ Roessler Park Dev	49,500
Passaic City	Passaic	Benson Tennis Court Rehabilitation	14,400
Elizabeth City	Union	Basketball Court Rehabilitation	21,000
TOTAL ALL CATEGORIES			\$10,815,700

b. Any transfer of funds, or change in project sponsor, site, or type, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

c. (1) To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects listed in subsection a. of this section are offered funding pursuant thereto, any project of a local government unit that previously received funding appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund for recreation and conservation purposes, or that receives funding approved pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2001, c.389, shall be eligible to receive additional funding, as determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor. Any such additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act

may include administrative costs.

(2) For the purposes of this subsection:

"Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund" means the fund established pursuant to section 19 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-19); and

"Green Acres bond act" means P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992, c.88, P.L.1989, c.183, P.L.1987, c.265, P.L.1983, c.354, and P.L.1978, c.118.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 8, 2002.