

CHAPTER 240

AN ACT appropriating moneys from the "Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund" to assist local government units in central New Jersey 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 from the "Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund," established pursuant to section 19 of P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-19), the sum of \$14,663,500 to provide grants or loans, or both, to assist local government units in central New Jersey to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes. The following projects to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes are eligible for funding with the moneys appropriated pursuant to this subsection:

(1) Planning Incentive Acquisition Projects:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Hunterdon County	Hunterdon	County Open Space Plan Acq	\$800,000
East Amwell Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space & Rec Plan Acq	400,000
Franklin Twp	Hunterdon	Franklin Open Space Plan Acq	400,000
High Bridge Boro	Hunterdon	Open Space Plan Acq	400,000
Lebanon Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space Plan Acq	400,000
Readington Twp	Hunterdon	Greenway Incentive Plan Acq	400,000
Union Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space Plan Acq	400,000
West Amwell Twp	Hunterdon	Sourlands/Open Space Acq	400,000
East Windsor Twp	Mercer	Open Space Acq	400,000
Hopewell Twp	Mercer	Hopewell Open Space Acq	400,000
Lawrence Twp	Mercer	Open Space Plan Acq	400,000
West Windsor Twp	Mercer	Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Cranbury Twp	Middlesex	Cranbury Twp Acq	400,000
Monroe Twp	Middlesex	Thompson Park III Acq	400,000
Plainsboro Twp	Middlesex	Plainsboro Acq	400,000
Atlantic Highlands Boro	Monmouth	Open Space Acq	400,000
Holmdel Twp	Monmouth	Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Manalapan Twp	Monmouth	Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Shrewsbury Boro	Monmouth	Rec & Open Space Plan Acq	305,000
Upper Freehold Twp	Monmouth	Open Space Acq	400,000
Somerset County	Somerset	County Open Space Acq	800,000
Bernardsville Boro	Somerset	Open Space Acq	400,000
Branchburg Twp	Somerset	Kanach Farm Acq	400,000
Montgomery Twp	Somerset	Open Space Acq	400,000
Peapack-Gladstone Boro	Somerset	Open Space Acq	400,000
Warren Twp	Somerset	Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
SUBTOTAL			<u>\$11,105,000</u>

(2) Site Specific Incentive Acquisition Projects:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Manasquan Boro	Monmouth	Manasquan Boro Land Acq	<u>\$400,000</u>
SUBTOTAL			<u>\$400,000</u>

(3) Standard Acquisition Projects:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Stockton Boro	Hunterdon	Open Space Acq	\$400,000
Hazlet Twp	Monmouth	Union Ave Acq	<u>176,000</u>
SUBTOTAL			<u>\$576,000</u>

(4) Development Projects:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT	COUNTY	PROJECT	APPROVED AMOUNT
Lambertville City	Hunterdon	Ely Memorial Park Dev	\$250,000
Princeton Twp	Mercer	Coventry Farm Park Dev	100,000
Princeton Twp	Mercer	Greenway Meadow Park Dev	400,000
Freehold Twp	Monmouth	Opatut Park Dev	400,000
Holmdel Twp	Monmouth	Phillips/Veterans Park Dev	100,000
Matawan Boro	Monmouth	Multi Parks Dev	400,000
Oceanport Boro	Monmouth	Multi Parks Improvement Dev	282,500
Rumson Boro	Monmouth	Riverside Park Dev	250,000
Bedminster Twp	Somerset	Multi Parks Dev	250,000
Cranford Twp	Union	Canoe Club &Park Improvements Dev	<u>150,000</u>
SUBTOTAL			<u>\$2,582,500</u>

GRAND TOTAL ALL CATEGORIES **\$14,663,500**

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. 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 P.L.2003, c.238, P.L.2003, c.239, or P.L.2003, c.241, 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.

For the purposes of this subsection, "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, and P.L.1983, c.354.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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