

**CHAPTER 9**

**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 \$16,181,750 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:*

<b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>APPROVED AMOUNT</b>
Hunterdon County	Hunterdon	County Open Space Acq	\$1,050,000
Bethlehem Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space Plan Implementation Acq	575,000
Delaware Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space Acq	400,000
High Bridge Boro	Hunterdon	Open Space Acq	500,000
Holland Twp	Hunterdon	Musconetcong Highlands Greenway Acq	575,000
Lebanon Twp	Hunterdon	Open Space Plan Acq	500,000
Readington Twp	Hunterdon	Greenway Incentive Plan Acq	400,000
Tewksbury Twp	Hunterdon	Recreation & Open Space Plan Acq	575,000
West Amwell Twp	Hunterdon	Sourlands/Open Space Acq	400,000
East Windsor Twp	Mercer	East Windsor Open Space Acq	400,000
Hopewell Twp	Mercer	Hopewell Open Space Acq	400,000
Pennington Boro	Mercer	Pennington Greenbelt Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Princeton Twp	Mercer	Princeton Open Space Acq	400,000
West Windsor Twp	Mercer	West Windsor Planning Inc. Acq	400,000
Cranbury Twp	Middlesex	Cranbury Twp Acq	400,000
Monroe Twp	Middlesex	Thompson Park III Acq	400,000
Plainsboro Twp	Middlesex	Plainsboro Preservation Acq	400,000
Freehold Twp	Monmouth	Freehold Acq Plan	600,000
Holmdel Twp	Monmouth	Holmdel Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Little Silver Boro	Monmouth	Open Space Acq	194,250
Manasquan Boro	Monmouth	Manasquan Boro Open Space Acq	400,000
Ocean Twp	Monmouth	Ocean Twp Planning Incentive Acq	400,000
Somerset County	Somerset	County Open Space Acq	1,050,000
Bernardsville Boro	Somerset	Bernardsville Boro Open Space Acq	100,000
Branchburg Twp	Somerset	Branchburg Open Space & Greenway Acq	400,000
Montgomery Twp	Somerset	Open Space Acq 5	400,000
Peapack-Gladstone Boro	Somerset	Open Space Acq	575,000
Warren Twp	Somerset	Warren Twp Planning Incentive Acq	<u>400,000</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			<b><u>\$13,094,250</u></b>

(2) *Standard Acquisition Projects:*

<b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>APPROVED AMOUNT</b>
Frenchtown Boro	Hunterdon	Nishisakawick Watershed Phase I Acq	\$400,000
Stockton Boro	Hunterdon	Stockton Boro Open Space Project Acq	<u>200,000</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			<b><u>\$600,000</u></b>

*(3)Development Projects:*

<b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>APPROVED AMOUNT</b>
Princeton Twp	Mercer	Coventry Farm Park Dev	\$500,000
Princeton Twp	Mercer	Greenway Meadow Park Dev	500,000
Freehold Twp	Monmouth	Opatut Park Dev	500,000
Holmdel Twp	Monmouth	Phillips/Veterans Park Dev	237,500
Rumson Boro	Monmouth	Riverside Park Dev	500,000
Union Beach Boro	Monmouth	Scholer Park Dev	<u>250,000</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			<b><u>\$2,487,500</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL ALL CATEGORIES</b>			<b><u>\$16,181,750</u></b>

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.2005, c.7, P.L.2005, c.8, or P.L.2005, c.10, 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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