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AN ACT appropriating \$4,750,000 from the “Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund” and various Green Acres bond funds to provide grants to assist qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations 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 the sum of \$4,750,000 from the “Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund” and the various funds established pursuant to Green Acres bond acts, made available due to project cancellations, for the purpose of providing grants to assist qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations to acquire lands for recreation and conservation purposes pursuant to subsection b. of this section and for the purpose of providing grants to assist qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations to develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes pursuant to subsection c. of this section.

b. The following projects for the acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes are eligible for funding with the moneys appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section:

| Nonprofit Organization | Project | County | Municipality | Approved Amount | | |
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| (1) American Littoral Society | Delaware Bay Acquisitions | Cape May | Dennis Twp | \$175,000 | | |
| | | | Lower Twp | | | |
| | | | Middle Twp | | | |
| | | | Upper Twp | | | |
| | | Cumberland | Bridgeton City | | | |
| | | | Deerfield Twp | | | |
| | | | Fairfield Twp | | | |
| | | | Greenwich Twp | | | |
| | | | Hopewell Twp | | | |
| | | | Millville City | | | |
| | | | Stow Creek Twp | | | |
| | | | Upper Deerfield Twp | | | |
| Salem | Alloway Twp | | | | | |
| | Elsinboro Twp | | | | | |
| | Lower Alloways Creek Twp | | | | | |
| | Mannington Twp | | | | | |
| (2) D & R Greenway Land Trust | Greenway Acq: | | | 350,000 | | |
| | | | Hunterdon | | Delaware Twp | |
| | | | | | East Amwell Twp | |
| | | | Mercer | | Hopewell Twp | |
| | | | | | Lawrence Twp | |
| | | | | | Pennington Boro | |
| | | | Middlesex | | Princeton Boro | |
| | | | | | Cranbury Twp | |
| | | | Crossroads of the American Revolution | | Bergen | Bogota Boro |
| | | | | | | Carlstadt Boro |
| | | | | | | East Rutherford Boro |
| | | | | | | Fort Lee Boro |
| Garfield City | | | | | | |
| Hackensack City | | | | | | |
| Hasbrouck Heights Boro | | | | | | |

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| | Leonia Boro |
| | Little Ferry Boro |
| | Lodi Boro |
| | Lyndhurst Twp |
| | Maywood Boro |
| | Moonachie Boro |
| | New Milford Boro |
| | North Arlington Boro |
| | Palisades Park Boro |
| | Ridgefield Park Village |
| | River Edge Boro |
| | Rochelle Park Twp |
| | Rutherford Boro |
| | South Hackensack Twp |
| | Teterboro Boro |
| | Wallington Boro |
| | Wood-Ridge Boro |
| Burlington | Beverly City |
| | Bordentown City |
| | Bordentown Twp |
| | Burlington City |
| | Burlington Twp |
| | Chesterfield Twp |
| | Cinnaminson Twp |
| | Delanco Twp |
| | Delran Twp |
| | Edgewater Park Twp |
| | Fieldsboro Boro |
| | Florence Twp |
| | Hainesport Twp |
| | Mansfield Twp |
| | Maple Shade Twp |
| | Moorestown Twp |
| | Mount Holly Twp |
| | Mount Laurel Twp |
| | Palmyra Boro |
| | Riverside Twp |
| | Riverton Boro |
| | Springfield Twp |
| | Westampton Twp |
| | Willingboro Twp |
| Camden | Audubon Boro |
| | Audubon Park Boro |
| | Brooklawn Boro |
| | Camden City |
| | Cherry Hill Twp |
| | Collingswood Boro |
| | Gloucester City |
| | Haddon Heights Boro |
| | Haddon Twp |
| | Haddonfield Boro |
| | Merchantville Boro |
| | Mount Ephraim Boro |
| | Oaklyn Boro |
| | Pennsauken Twp |
| | Woodlynne Boro |
| Essex | Belleville Twp |
| | Irvington Twp |
| | Livingston Twp |
| | Maplewood Twp |
| | Millburn Twp |
| | Newark City |
| | Nutley Twp |
| Gloucester | National Park Boro |
| | West Deptford Twp |
| | Westville Boro |
| Hudson | East Newark Boro |
| | Harrison Town |

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| | | Kearny Town |
| | Hunterdon | Delaware Twp East Amwell Twp Flemington Boro Franklin Twp Frenchtown Boro Kingwood Twp Lambertville City Raritan Twp Readington Twp Stockton Boro West Amwell Twp |
| | Mercer | East Windsor Twp Ewing Twp Hamilton Twp Hightstown Boro Hopewell Boro Hopewell Twp Lawrence Twp Pennington Boro Princeton Boro Trenton City Washington Twp West Windsor Twp |
| | Middlesex | All municipalities |
| Delaware Bay Estuary Acq | Cumberland | Deerfield Twp Fairfield Twp Greenwich Twp Hopewell Twp Stow Creek Twp Upper Deerfield Twp |
| | Salem | Elinsboro Twp Lower Alloways Creek Twp Mannington Twp Pennsville Twp |
| Delaware River Tributaries Acq | Burlington | Bordentown City Bordentown Twp Chesterfield Twp North Hanover Twp |
| | Mercer | Hamilton Twp Hopewell Twp Lawrence Twp Robbinsville Twp West Windsor Twp Trenton City |
| | Middlesex | Monroe Twp |
| | Monmouth | Allentown Boro Upper Freehold Twp |
| Griggstown Canal Acq | Middlesex | Highland Park Boro |
| | Somerset | Franklin Twp Rocky Hill Boro |
| Sourlands Mountain Acq | Hunterdon | East Amwell Twp Lambertville City West Amwell Twp |
| | Mercer | Hopewell Twp |
| | Somerset | Branchburg Twp Hillsborough Twp Montgomery Twp |

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| | Upper Millstone | Mercer | West Windsor Twp | |
| | Greenway | Middlesex | Cranbury Twp Highland Park Boro Monroe Twp Plainsboro Twp South Brunswick Twp | |
| | | Monmouth | Millstone Twp | |
| (3) Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space | Hopewell Valley Park Acq | Mercer | Hopewell Boro Hopewell Twp Lawrence Twp | 175,000 |
| (4) Friends of West Windsor Open Space | Duck Pond Run – Greenway Initiative | Mercer | West Windsor Twp | 175,000 |
| (5) Harding Land Trust | Open Spaces & Natural Places of Harding Twp | Morris | Harding Twp | 125,000 |
| (6) Hunterdon Land Trust | Priority Areas | Hunterdon | All municipalities | 350,000 |
| (7) New Jersey Conservation Foundation | Priority Area Acq: | | | 350,000 |
| | Appalachian Trail Buffers | Sussex | Wantage Twp | |
| | Arthur Kill Greenway | Middlesex | Edison Twp | |
| | | Union | Linden City Springfield Twp Union Twp | |
| | Black River Greenway | Hunterdon | Clinton Twp Lebanon Boro Lebanon Twp Readington Twp Tewksbury Twp | |
| | | Morris | Chester Boro Chester Twp | |
| | | Somerset | Bedminster Twp Bernards Twp Bernardsville Boro Branchburg Twp Bridgewater Twp Far Hills Boro Hillsborough Twp Peapack-Gladstone Boro Raritan Boro | |
| | Burden Hill Forest/ Delaware Bay | Cape May | Lower Twp Middle Twp | |
| | | Cumberland | Fairfield Twp Greenwich Twp Hopewell Twp Millville City Stow Creek Twp Upper Deerfield Twp Vineland City | |
| | | Gloucester | Logan Twp South Harrison Twp Woolwich Twp | |
| | | Salem | Alloway Twp Carneys Point Twp Elmer Boro | |

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| | | Elsinboro Twp |
| | | Lower Alloways Creek Twp |
| | | Mannington Twp |
| | | Oldmans Twp |
| | | Pennsville Twp |
| | | Pilesgrove Twp |
| | | Pittsgrove Twp |
| | | Quinton Twp |
| | | Upper Pittsgrove Twp |
| | | Woodstown Boro |
| South Jersey Metro: | | |
| Camden Greenway | Camden | Camden City |
| Delaware River Heritage Trail | Burlington | Beverly City Bordentown City Bordentown Twp Burlington City Burlington Twp Cinnaminson Twp Delanco Twp Delran Twp Edgewater Park Twp Fieldsboro Boro Florence Twp Mansfield Twp Palmyra Boro Riverside Twp Riverton Boro Willingboro Twp |
| | Camden | Merchantville Boro Pennsauken Twp |
| | Mercer | Hamilton Twp Trenton City |
| Pine Barrens: | | |
| Ellwood Corridor | Atlantic | Buena Vista Twp Egg Harbor City Egg Harbor Twp Estell Manor City Folsom Boro Galloway Twp Hamilton Twp Hammonton Town Mullica Twp Weymouth Twp |
| Forked River Mountain Add | Ocean | Lacey Twp Ocean Twp |
| Four Mile Circle | Burlington | Bass River Twp Burlington Twp Pemberton Twp Tabernacle Twp Washington Twp Woodland Twp |
| Greater Kettle Run | Burlington | Evesham Twp Medford Twp |
| Highlands Region: | | |
| Arcadia Lake/Newark Watershed | Passaic | West Milford Twp |
| Kittatinny Forest Area | Sussex | Frankford Twp Hampton Twp |
| Morris County | Morris | Boonton Town |

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| Additions | | Butler Boro Chatham Boro Chatham Twp Denville Twp Dover Town East Hanover Twp Florham Park Boro Hanover Twp Harding Twp Lincoln Park Boro Long Hill Twp Madison Boro Morris Plains Boro Morris Twp Morristown Town Mount Olive Twp Mountain Lakes Boro Netcong Boro Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp Pequannock Twp Riverdale Boro Rockaway Boro Rockaway Twp Victory Gardens Boro Wharton Boro | |
| Musconetcong Valley | Warren | Franklin Twp Greenwich Twp Mansfield Twp Washington Twp | |
| Pyramid Mountain Addition | Morris | Boonton Twp Kinnelon Boro Montville Twp | |
| Scotts Mtn Acq | Warren | Harmony Twp Lopatcong Twp White Twp | |
| Sparta Mountain Greenway | Morris | Jefferson Twp Mendham Boro Mendham Twp Mine Hill Twp Mount Arlington Boro Randolph Twp Roxbury Twp Washington Twp | |
| | Sussex | Andover Twp Byram Twp Hopatcong Boro Sparta Twp | |
| Vernon Marsh | Sussex | Vernon Twp | |
| Western Piedmont: | | | |
| Back Brook | Hunterdon | East Amwell Twp Lambertville City West Amwell Twp | |
| Sourland Mountain | Mercer | Hopewell Twp Princeton Boro | |
| | Somerset | Montgomery Twp | |
| Wickecheoke Creek Acq | Hunterdon | Delaware Twp Franklin Twp Kingwood Twp Raritan Twp Stockton Boro | |
| (8) NY-NJ Trail | Green Corridors 2 | Bergen | Mahwah Twp 175,000 |

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| Conference | | Hunterdon | Alexandria Twp Bethlehem Twp Holland Twp Lebanon Boro Union Twp | |
| | | Morris | Chester Twp Jefferson Twp Morris Twp Mt. Olive Twp Rockaway Boro Washington Twp | |
| | | Passaic | Ringwood Boro Wanaque Boro West Milford Twp | |
| | | Sussex | Byram Twp Green Twp Hopatcong Boro Sparta Twp Vernon Twp | |
| | | Warren | Allamuchy Twp Franklin Twp Frelinghuysen Twp Harmony Twp Hope Twp Independence Twp Liberty Twp Lopatcong Twp Mansfield Twp Oxford Twp Washington Twp White Twp | |
| (9) Open Space Institute Land Trust | Project Priority Areas | Bergen | All municipalities | 175,000 |
| | | Hudson | All municipalities | |
| | | Morris | All municipalities | |
| | | Warren | All municipalities | |
| (10) Save Hamilton Open Space | Hamilton Twp Greenways, Trails & Rural Conservation | Mercer | Hamilton Twp | 175,000 |
| (11) South Jersey Land and Water Trust | South Jersey Watersheds | Gloucester | All municipalities | 100,000 |
| | | Salem | Carneys Point Twp Oldmans Twp Pilesgrove Twp | |
| (12) Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association | Watershed Connectors | Mercer | Hopewell Boro Hopewell Twp Princeton Boro | 175,000 |
| (13) Tewksbury Land Trust | Land Acq | Hunterdon | Tewksbury Twp | 175,000 |
| (14) The Land Conservancy of New Jersey | Priority Areas Acq | Bergen | Mahwah Twp Oakland Twp | 350,000 |
| | | Essex | Bloomfield Twp Caldwell Boro Livingston Twp West Orange Twp | |
| | | Morris | Boonton Twp Chatham Boro Chatham Twp | |

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| | | | Denville Twp East Hanover Twp Florham Park Boro Jefferson Twp Kinnelon Boro Lincoln Park Boro Madison Boro Mine Hill Twp Montville Twp Morris Twp Morristown Town Mount Olive Twp Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp Pequannock Twp Randolph Twp Riverdale Boro Rockaway Twp Roxbury Twp Washington Twp | |
| | | Passaic | Ringwood Boro West Milford Twp | |
| | | Somerset | Peapack-Gladstone Boro | |
| | | Sussex | Andover Boro Byram Twp Frankford Twp Fredon Twp Green Twp Hampton Twp Hopatcong Boro Lafayette Twp Stillwater Twp Vernon Twp | |
| | | Warren | Allamuchy Twp Franklin Twp Frelinghuysen Twp Greenwich Twp Hardwick Twp Harmony Twp Pohatcong Twp | |
| (15) The Nature Conservancy | Priority Areas Acq: | | | 350,000 |
| | Cape May Project Area | Cape May | Cape May City Cape May Point Boro Dennis Twp Lower Twp Middle Twp West Cape May Boro | |
| | | Cumberland | Maurice River Twp | |
| | Delaware Bay Greenway | Cumberland | Commercial Twp Downe Twp Fairfield Twp Lawrence Twp Maurice River Twp Millville City Vineland City | |
| | East and West Plains | Burlington | Bass River Twp Pemberton Boro Pemberton Twp Washington Twp Woodland Twp | |
| | Ellwood Corridor | Atlantic | Estell Manor City Galloway Twp Hamilton Twp | |

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| | | | Mullica Twp | |
| | Forked River Mountain | Ocean | Lacey Twp Ocean Twp | |
| | High Mt Project Area | Passaic | North Haledon Boro Wayne Twp | |
| | Hirst Ponds | Atlantic | Galloway Twp | |
| | Limestone Forest Acq | Sussex | Andover Boro Andover Twp Frankford Twp Fredon Twp Green Twp Hampton Twp Hardyston Twp Lafayette Twp Montague Twp Newton Town Sandyston Twp Stillwater Twp Walpack Twp Wantage Twp | |
| | | Warren | Allamuchy Twp Blairstown Twp Frelinghuysen Twp Hardwick Twp Hope Twp | |
| | Maurice River Project Area | Cumberland | Maurice River Twp Millville City | |
| | Oswego River Lowlands | Ocean | Barnegat Twp Eagleswood Twp Little Egg Harbor Twp Stafford Twp | |
| | Willow Grove | Gloucester | Franklin Twp | |
| | | Salem | Pittsgrove Twp | |
| (16) Trust For Public Land | Project Priority Areas: | | | 350,000 |
| | Atlantic Balanced Communities Acq | Atlantic | Absecon City Egg Harbor City Egg Harbor Twp Galloway Twp Hamilton Twp Linwood City Northfield City Pleasantville City Port Republic City Somers Point City | |
| | Bay to Bay | Monmouth | Allenhurst Boro Asbury Park City Avon-By-The-Sea Boro Belmar Boro Bradley Beach Boro Brielle Boro Deal Boro Interlaken Boro Loch Arbour Village Long Branch City Manasquan Boro Monmouth Beach Boro Neptune Twp Sea Bright Boro Sea Girt Boro Spring Lake Boro | |

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| | | Spring Lake Heights Boro Wall Twp |
| Bergen Co. Open Space Partnership | Bergen | All municipalities |
| Beyond the Century Plan – Barnegat Bay Initiative | Monmouth Ocean | Freehold Twp Barnegat Light Boro Berkeley Twp Brick Twp Eagleswood Twp Jackson Twp Lacey Twp Little Egg Harbor Twp Long Beach Twp Manchester Twp Ocean Twp Stafford Twp Toms River Twp Tuckerton Boro |
| Camden Balanced Communities Acquisition | Camden | Berlin Boro Camden City Cherry Hill Twp Clementon Boro Gloucester Twp Haddon Twp Lindenwold Boro Pennsauken Twp Voorhees Twp |
| Delaware River Inland | Burlington | Bordentown Twp Burlington Twp Cinnaminson Twp Delran Twp Florence Twp Mansfield Twp Mount Laurel Twp Springfield Twp Willingboro Twp |
| Essex Co. Open Space | Essex | All municipalities |
| Harbor Estuaries Acq | Bergen Hudson Middlesex Monmouth Union | East Rutherford Boro Jersey City Secaucus Town Carteret Boro Old Bridge Twp Woodbridge Twp Aberdeen Twp Atlantic Highlands Boro Fair Haven Boro Hazlet Twp Highlands Boro Keansburg Boro Keyport Boro Matawan Boro Middletown Twp Rumson Boro Union Beach Boro Linden City Rahway City |
| Hudson Co Open Space | Hudson | All municipalities |
| Hunterdon Co Open Space Partnership | Hunterdon | All municipalities |

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| Interstate 195 Corridor | Mercer | Hamilton Twp Robbinsville Twp |
| | Monmouth | Allentown Boro Freehold Boro Freehold Twp Howell Twp Millstone Twp Upper Freehold Twp Wall Twp |
| Metedeconk Watershed Protection | Monmouth | Freehold Twp Howell Twp Millstone Twp Wall Twp |
| | Ocean | Brick Twp Jackson Twp Lakewood Twp |
| Morris Open Space Acq | Morris | All municipalities |
| Passaic Open Space | Passaic | All municipalities |
| Somerset Open Space Acq | Somerset | All municipalities |
| Sussex Open Space Partnership | Sussex | All municipalities |
| Upper Delaware River Watershed | Hunterdon | Alexandria Twp Bethlehem Twp Bloomsbury Boro Hampton Boro Holland Twp Lebanon Boro Lebanon Twp |
| | Morris | Mount Arlington Boro Mount Olive Twp Netcong Boro Roxbury Twp Washington Twp |
| | Sussex | Andover Boro Andover Twp Branchville Boro Byram Twp Frankford Twp Fredon Twp Green Twp Hampton Twp Hardyston Twp Hopatcong Boro Lafayette Twp Montague Twp Newton Town Sandyston Twp Sparta Twp Stanhope Boro Stillwater Twp Walpack Twp Wantage Twp |
| | Warren | All municipalities |
| Wanaque Gap Acq | Bergen | Mahwah Twp |

TOTAL

\$3,725,000

c. The following projects for the development of lands for recreation and conservation purposes are eligible for funding with the moneys appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section:

| Nonprofit Organization | Project | County | Municipality | Approved Amount |
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| Camden Special Services District | Joseph Cooper House Renovation | Camden | Camden City | \$175,000 |
| Cooper's Ferry Partnership | N. Camden Waterfront Park II | Camden | Camden City | 175,000 |
| Cramer Hill Community Development Corp. | Von Niede Park Improvement III | Camden | Camden City | 175,000 |
| Hamilton Area YMCA | Sawmill Improvement Project | Mercer | Hamilton Twp | 175,000 |
| Passaic River Rowing Association | Passaic River Rowing Association Boathouse | Bergen | Lyndhurst Twp North Arlington Boro | 175,000 |
| Washington Park Association | Washington & Lincoln Park Improvements | Hudson | Jersey City Union City | 150,000 |
| TOTAL | | | | \$1,025,000 |

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

e. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects listed in subsection b. or c. of this section are offered funding pursuant thereto, any project of a qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organization 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 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.

f. 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, any annual appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund to assist qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes, for the purposes of: (1) this section; and (2) providing additional funding, as determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any project of a qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organization 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, 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.

g. 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).

“Green Acres bond act” means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, 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.

Approved August 10, 2015.