

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cities/Counties/State Agencies eligible to apply for national grant program

FROM: Taylor Brown, State Liaison Officer

SUBJECT: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program

DATE: June 14, 2021

You are receiving this grant announcement because your city/county is eligible to apply for a national grant. Grant awards have changed and will range between \$300,000 - \$5,000,000.

Last month the National Park Service (NPS) released a funding opportunity for a grant program called the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP). The program's goal is to assist in funding projects that will create or reinvigorate parks and other outdoor recreation spaces located in Census-delineated urbanized areas. Priority will be placed on projects that will:

- serve communities that are underserved in terms of number of parks and other outdoor recreation areas and have significant numbers of individuals who are economically disadvantaged;
- create short-term and/or permanent jobs;
- help stimulate local economic development;
- engage and empower members of the affected community in the development of the project;
- create or expand public-private partnerships;
- benefit from a high degree of coordination among the public, multiple levels of government, and the private sector, to improve recreation opportunities for all; and
- advance goals of, or meet, priority recreation needs identified in Georgia's SCORP.

As the lead agency for the Land and Water Conservation Fund program, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be your point of contact for the application process. Attached you will find a state specific announcement with pertinent information. More information can be found on our website at www.gadnr.org/ORLPP.

All original applications, associated support documents, maps & one copy of each must be <u>received</u> in our office by 4:00 p.m. on July 23, 2021. This is a firm deadline in order to meet the national deadline. Our staff is committed to and will be available to work with you through the entire process if you decide to apply. Our contact information is: DNR- Grants Unit

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