

**Projects Selected for Funding in FY 2007
under the Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program**

NOAA is pleased to announce the FY 2007 projects funded under the Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP). The projects were selected from NOAA's competitively-ranked list of projects considered ready and eligible for funding in FY 2007. NOAA was able to fund 17 top projects nominated by coastal states in the first competitive funding cycle for the program. The list, along with additional information about NOAA's competitive process for 2007 CELCP funding, can be found at:

<http://www.coastalmanagement.noaa.gov/land/media/celcpvettedlist.pdf>

The CELCP was created in 2002 to protect coastal and estuarine lands considered important for their ecological, conservation, recreational, historical or aesthetic values. The program provides state and local governments with matching funds to purchase significant coastal and estuarine lands, or conservation easements on such lands, from willing sellers. Lands or conservation easements acquired with CELCP funds are protected in perpetuity so that they may be enjoyed by future generations.

Rank	State	Project Name	Project Funding
1	ME	Maquoit Bay	\$1,450,000
2	MA	Center Hill Beach, Plymouth	\$2,250,000
3	CA	Piedras Blancas, San Luis Obispo County	\$1,500,000 @
	SC	Pee Dee	\$3,000,000 @
5	MI	Seven Mile Point, Keweenaw County	\$947,584
6	CA	Jenner Headlands, Sonoma County	\$2,850,000
7	CT	East River Corridor Protection	\$3,000,000
8	OH	Bratenahl	\$1,014,000 @
10	NJ	Delaware Bayshore/Cohansey River/Streep	\$2,000,000
11	DE	Blackbird Creek NERR/ Eagles Nest Road Area	\$3,000,000
12	SC	Savannah	\$3,000,000 @
	OH	Port Clinton Waterfront	\$875,000
14	ME	Stockton Harbor	\$411,300
15	DE	Blackbird Creek/ DNERR Core Area Headwaters	\$2,667,000
	OR	Fort Stevens Acquisition	\$660,000
17	NC	Hidden Lake	\$400,125
18	AL	Red Hills Big Flat Creek	\$940,526

Note: Projects marked with an "@" were funded in whole in or in part through re-direction or re-programming of funds from prior-year projects.

NOAA will maintain a contingency list of projects in the event that any of the projects selected for funding fall through or are completed with less funding than originally requested. NOAA would need to check on the status of the following projects to ensure that they remain viable prior to selecting them for funding. The contingency list is as follows:

Rank	State	Project Name	Project Funding
18	AL	Red Hills Big Flat Creek*	\$2,059,474
	GA	Altamaha River Sand Ridges*	\$3,000,000
20	MI	Big Rock Point, Northeastern Lake Michigan	\$3,000,000
21	NC	South Topsail^	\$2,947,000
	MA	Apponagansett Bay/Weinshel Farm, Dartmouth	\$3,000,000
23	NC	Chowan Swamp	\$3,000,000
25	FL	Cayo Costa	\$3,000,000
26	PA	Schuylkill River Greenway and Trails, Philadelphia	\$1,819,500
27	NH	Exeter River Corridor	\$2,000,000
28	NY	Long Pond/Butler Woods	\$3,000,000
29	DE	Blackbird Creek/ Delaware NERR Core Area	\$2,128,000
30	NY	Hudson River NERR- Stockton Flats Enhancement	\$2,032,000
31	CA	Santa Clara River Estuary Project	\$1,000,000
	NY	Reithel	\$235,000
33	FL	Northeast Florida Blueway^	\$1,500,000
34	AL	Escatawpa River Longleaf Hills Ecological Area	\$3,000,000
35	VA	Northampton County - Southern Tip	\$2,825,000
36	NH	Coastal Headwaters	\$2,500,000
37	IN	ISG Bailly Property*	\$2,010,000
38	PA	Lake Erie Tributaries^	\$611,914
39	VA	Green Sea Conservation Corridor^	\$400,000
40	FL	Florida Keys Ecosystem	\$3,000,000
41	RI	McKendall Open Space, North Kingstown	\$1,516,250

Notes:

* Projects will require negotiation or clarification of some elements with applicant.

^ Signifies projects that have been recommended for the list at a reduced funding level from the requested amount due to ineligibility of certain costs and/or proposed uses on portions of the project site(s).