

CSCOA SHORELINE BUFFER PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To provide for cost-share matching grant up to 50% of project costs with a maximum of \$500.00 to establish, enhance and maintain native vegetation by planting or sowing seed, which protects or stabilizes the shoreline of Cold Stream Pond. Lesser amounts may be awarded at the discretion of the CSCOA executive committee or their designate.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Landowners or camp owners on the shoreline of Cold Stream Pond, in Lincoln, Enfield or Lowell will be eligible. Projects will not be eligible for funding if they are required as part of violation or remediation order.

APPLICATION/GRANT TIMELINE & APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Applications must be received by April 30 and approved projects must be completed by September 30.
- Written project estimate will be required with supporting documentation including before pictures; material and labor costs.
- Some projects may require a D.E.P. Natural Resources Protection Act – Permit by Rule permit.
- W9 Form must be returned before final grant award and a 1099 Form will be issued by CSCOA for the grant. You can find this form at <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:

- Projects must be within 100 feet of the shoreline.
- Projects will be limited to water gardens, roof drainage to water gardens and shoreline buffer establishment or enhancement with native species of shrubs, bushes and trees.

PROJECT REPORTING:

If selected, the recipient is required to supply before and after photographs of the site with a short article for our newsletter and current year receipts before the association will reimburse the landowner. A copy of the site design would be appreciated if available.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Applications should be submitted on the CSCOA Water Quality Grant Application Form which can be found online at www.coldstreampond.com. This is the same application form which has been used for the Water Quality Grant Program.

Detailed instructions on creating a buffer and choosing plants is available from the Penobscot County Soil and Water Conservation District, 1423 Broadway, Bangor, ME.04401 or call: 947-3555, CSCOA and Maine DEP at 941-4570.

A qualified third party will review each site application for:

- Completeness of plan for planting and maintenance
- Effectiveness of the proposed buffer at managing storm water
- Usage of native and native friendly plants

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE TEMPLATE

1. What was the water quality problem to be addressed?
2. How did you correct the water quality problem?
3. What or who did you use for a resource to help you with the design?
4. Provide the design or layout plan if available.
5. Before and after photos.